A Novel Sulfonamide Non-Classical Carbenenoid: A Mechanistic Study for the Synthesis of Enediynes

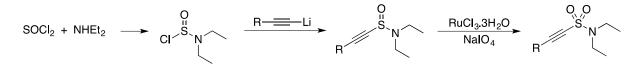
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Supporting Information

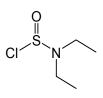
Experimental: General

Reagents and solvents were obtained from commercial sources and used without further modification unless stated otherwise. TLC was performed using Merck Silica plates and compounds visualised by exposure of UV light. Flash column chromatography was carried out using Geduran[®] silicagel 60 (particle size 40-63 µm). ¹H- and ¹³C-NMR were carried out at the stated field using Bruker AMX-300 MHz, AMX-500 MHz and AMX-600 MHz instruments. Coupling constants were measured in Hertz (Hz) with reference to the deuterated solvent used. Mass spectra were measured on Thermo Finnigan MAT900 XE and Waters LCT Premier XE machines operating in EI, CI and ESI modes. LRMS refers to low-resolution mass spectrometry and HRMS refers to high resolution mass spectrometry. Infrared spectra were recorded using a Bruker Alpha FTIR spectrometer. Distilled THF solvent was dried over CaH₂, distilled and stored over molecular sieves, 4A, 1-2 mm (0.04-0.08 in) beads. (EA:PE) refers to the ethyl acetate:peteroleum ether ratio of the solvent system.

Alkynyl sulfonamides were prepared by known procedures outlined below.^{1,2}



Procedure for the synthesis of N,N-diethylsulfurous chloride



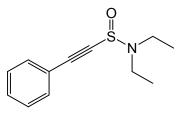
A 500 mL flame-dried flask was charged with thionyl chloride (9.84g, 82.7 mmol, 1.0 eq.) and dry Et₂O (150 mL) under argon. The solution was cooled to -40 °C and a solution of diethylamine (12.0 g, 164.4 mmol, 2.0 eq.) in dry Et₂O (100 mL) was added dropwise over 2 h whilst the mixture was allowed to stir. The reaction was then warmed to 0 °C and allowed to stir for a further 1 h. The reaction mixture was then allowed to warm to RT and quickly filtered through a pad of Celite[®]. The solution was *carefully* concentrated *in vacuo* (while leaving some solvent remaining to avoid explosions on the rotary evaporator apparatus as previously reported when all solvent was removed) to yield a viscous, acrid brown crude product (19.4 g product, containing 8.53 g of desired chloride, 66%). The crude product was quickly stored under argon in a freezer and used without further purification. ¹H-NMR (300

MHz, CDCl₃) δ_{H} 3.03 (m, 4 H, NCH₂) 1.47 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 6 H, NCH₂CH₃); ¹³C-NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ_{c} 42.4, 12.5; no mass ion detected. Data in agreement with literature.¹

General procedure for the synthesis alkynyl sulfinamides

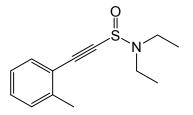
A 100 mL flame-dried flask was charged with aromatic acetylene (1.5 mmol, 1.1 eq.) and dry THF (0.1 M) under argon. The solution was cooled to -78° C and *n*BuLi (2.5 M in hexanes, 1.1 eq.) was added dropwise and allowed to stir for 10 min. *N*,*N*-diethylsulfurous chloride (1.36 mmol, 1.0 eq.) was then carefully added dropwise and stirred for a further 20 min. The reaction mixture was allowed to warm to RT, diluted with CH₂Cl₂ (200 mL), washed with H₂O (100 mL) then brine (100 mL), dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated *in vacuo* to yield the crude product. Purification *via* flash column chromatography (Petroleum Ether/Ethyl acetate) was carried out to yield the alkynyl sulfinamide product.

N,*N*-diethyl-2-phenylethynesulfinamide



Yellow oil (74%). Rf = 0.18 (20:80 EA:PE); ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ_{H} 7.52 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 2 H, Ar*H*), 7.43 (t, J = 7.6, Hz, 1 H, Ar*H*), 7.37 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 2 H, Ar*H*), 3.44 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2 H, NC*H*₂), 3.37 (q, J = 7.0 Hz, 2 H, NC*H*₂), 1.29 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 6 H, NCH₂C*H*₃); ¹³C-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ_{c} 132.2 (CH), 130.3 (CH), 128.7 (CH), 120.2 (C_q), 96.4 (C_q), 86.5 (C_q), 42.7 (CH₂), 14.4 (CH₃); v_{max} /cm⁻¹ 2973, 2935, 2871, 2162, 1488, 1443, 1380, 1290, 1178, 1090, 899, 828, 782, 756, 689, 638, 619, 551, 530, 488, 445; LRMS (ES+) *m/z* (%) 277 (7), 267 (5), 265 (8), 263 (3), 238 (4), 224 (7), 223 (19), 222 (100), 214 (3), 209 (2), 192 (9); HRMS (ES+) calc'd for C₁₂H₁₆NOS (M+H)⁺ 222.0953, found 222.0955. Data in agreement with literature.²

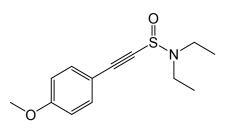
N,N-Diethyl-2-(o-tolyl)ethynesulfinamide



Yellow oil (93%). *Rf* = 0.17 (20:80 EA:PE); ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ_H 7.48 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1 H, Ar*H*), 7.32 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1 H, Ar*H*), 7.24 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1 H, Ar*H*), 7.19 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1

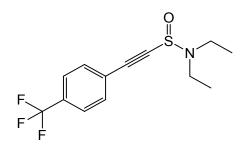
H, Ar*H*), 3.44 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2 H, NC*H*₂), 3.38 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2 H, NC*H*₂), 2.46 (s, 3 H, ArC*H*₃), 1.29 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 6 H, NCH₂C*H*₃); ¹³C-NMR (600 MHz, CDCI₃) δ_c 141.3 (C_q), 132.7 (CH), 130.4 (CH), 129.8 (CH), 125.9 (CH), 120.1 (C_q), 95.6 (C_q), 90.1 (C_q), 42.6 (CH₂), 20.8 (CH₃), 14.4 (CH₃); v_{max} /cm⁻¹ 3029, 2972, 2933, 2870, 2158, 1604, 1507, 1453, 1407, 1380, 1365, 1345, 1290, 1243, 1222, 1180, 1090, 1007, 926, 898, 842, 815, 782, 762, 708, 652, 590, 530, 474, 449, 411; LRMS (ES+) *m*/*z* (%) 336 (14), 322 (5), 310 (9), 309 (41), 307 (24), 290 (31), 276 (8), 258 (21), 239 (2), 238 (7), 236 (100), 21 (4), 206 (3), 180 (3), 149 (5), 120 (13); HRMS (ES+) calc'd for C₁₃H₁₈NOS (M+H)⁺ 236.1109, found 236.1118.

N,N-Diethyl-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)ethynesulfinamide



Yellow oil (67%). Rf = 0.08 (20:80 EA:PE); ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ_{H} 7.46 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2 H, Ar*H*), 6.88 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2 H, Ar*H*), 3.84 (s, 3 H, OC*H*₃), 3.43 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2 H, NC*H*₂), 3.35 (q, J = 7.0 Hz, 2 H, NC*H*₂), 1.28 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 6 H, NCH₂C*H*₃); ¹³C-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ_{c} 161.2 (C_q), 134.0 (CH), 114.3 (CH), 112.1 (C_q), 97.3 (C_q), 85.3 (C_q), 55.5 (CH₃), 42.7 (CH₂), 14.4 (CH₃); v_{max} /cm⁻¹ 2972, 2934, 2870, 2839, 2549, 2234, 2155, 2051, 2020, 1899, 1602, 1569, 1507, 1461, 1442, 1416, 1380, 1365, 1344, 1293, 1250, 1171, 1087, 1025, 1008, 900, 832, 782, 761, 731, 653, 594, 537, 469, 427; LRMS (CI) *m/z* (%) 371 (5), 323 (11), 285 (4), 253 (16), 252 (100), 203 (17), 179 (10), 121 (6), 120 (9); HRMS (CI) calc'd for C₁₃H₁₈NO₂S (M+H)⁺ 252.10528, found 252.10534. Data in agreement with literature.²

N,*N*-Diethyl-2-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)ethynesulfinamide

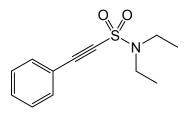


Yellow oil (43%). *Rf* = 0.21 (20:80 EA:PE); ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ_{H} 7.63 (m, 4 H, Ar*H*), 3.45 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2 H, NC*H*₂), 3.38 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2 H, NC*H*₂), 1.30 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 6 H, NCH₂C*H*₃); ¹³C-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ_{c} 132.5 (CH), 131.9 (q, *J* = 32.8 Hz, C_q), 125.6 (q, *J* = 3.8 Hz, CH), 124.0 (C_q), 123.7 (q, *J* = 272.4 Hz, C_q), 94.2 (C_q), 88.8 (C_q), 42.8 (CH₂), 14.3 (CH₃); v_{max} /cm⁻¹ 2976, 2934, 2873, 2166, 1613, 1458, 1404, 1382, 1318, 1221, 1166, 1124, 1103, 1064, 1013, 927, 901, 839, 783, 759, 736, 657, 645, 598, 566, 645, 598, 566, 524, 464, 443; LRMS (ES+) *m*/*z* (%) 444 (3), 431 (7), 430 (25), 409 (5), 377 (2), 364 (5), 344 (7), 330 (3), 310 (6), 309 (25), 292 (7), 291 (17), 290 (100), 268 (3), 258 (2); HRMS (ES+) calc'd for C₁₃H₁₅F₃NOS (M+H)⁺ 290.0826, found 290.0810. Data in agreement with literature.²

General procedure for the synthesis alkynyl sulfonamides

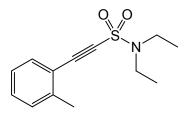
A 50 ml flask was charged with NalO₄ (1.3 eq), H₂O (12 mL) and MeCN (15 mL). The mixture was cooled to 0 °C and stirred until the solid had *completely* dissolved. RuCl₃.3H₂O (1 mmol%) was then added and the reaction mixture was stirred for a further 5 min. A solution of alkynyl sulfinamide (1.00 mmol, 1.0 eq.) in EtOAc (15 mL) was then added in one portion and stirred vigorously until complete consumption of alkynyl sulfinamide had been observed *via* TLC (usually ca. 1 h). The reaction mixture was diluted with CH₂Cl₂ (200 mL), washed with H₂O (100 mL) then brine (100 mL), dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated *in vacuo* to yield the crude product. Purification *via* flash column chromatography (Petroleum Ether/Ethyl acetate) was carried out to yield the alkynyl sulfonamide product.

N,N-Diethyl-2-phenylethynesulfonamide (2)



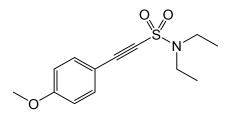
Yellow oil (41%). *Rf* = 0.35 (20:80 EA:PE); ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ_{H} 7.54 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2 H, Ar*H*), 7.47 (t, *J* = 7.3, Hz, 1 H, Ar*H*), 7.39 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2 H, Ar*H*), 3.39 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 4 H, NC*H*₂), 1.30 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 6 H, NCH₂C*H*₃); ¹³C-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ_{c} 132.6 (CH), 131.0 (CH), 128.8 (CH), 118.7 (C_q), 88.2 (C_q), 83.9 (C_q), 43.0 (CH₂), 13.5 (CH₃); *v*_{max}/cm⁻¹ 2978, 2939, 2878, 2180,1490, 1468, 1444, 1356, 1298, 1201, 1151, 1098, 1069, 1016, 938, 842, 785, 756, 702, 646, 533; LRMS (ES+) *m*/*z* (%) 245 (1), 244 (3), 240 (5), 239 (15), 238 (100), 236 (3), 235 (4), 234 (5); HRMS (ES+) calc'd for C₁₂H₁₆NO₂S (M+H)⁺ 238.0896, found 238.0899. Data in agreement with literature.²

N,N-Diethyl-2-(o-tolyl)ethynesulfonamide (25)



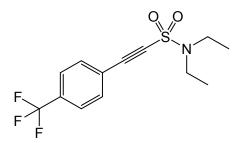
Yellow oil (54%). Rf = 0.34 (20:80 EA:PE); ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ_{H} 7.50 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1 H, Ar*H*), 7.36 (t, J = 7.6, Hz, 1 H, Ar*H*), 7.26 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1 H, Ar*H*), 7.21 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1 H, Ar*H*), 3.39 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 4 H, NC*H*₂), 2.47 (s, 3 H, ArC*H*₃), 1.31 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 6 H, NCH₂C*H*₃); ¹³C-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ_{c} 141.9 (C_q), 133.1 (CH), 131.1 (CH), 130.0 (CH), 126.1 (CH), 118.6 (C_q), 87.5 (C_q), 87.4 (C_q), 43.1 (CH₂), 20.7 (CH₃), 13.5 (CH₃); *v*_{max}/cm⁻¹; 2974, 2935, 2874, 2173, 1691,1598, 1483, 1455, 1381, 1355, 1296, 1231, 1200, 1177, 1151, 1111, 1068, 1016, 938, 857, 770, 759, 700, 646, 581, 549, 526, 495, 454, 412; LRMS (ES+) *m*/z (%) 664 (43), 663 (86), 639 (32), 626 (25), 570 (42), 569 (100), 551 (23), 523 (18), 495 (13), 447 (22), 413 (37), 391 (51), 371 (12), 369 (6), 291 (10), 268 (5), 236 (16), 214 (59), 181 (20), 149 (14); HRMS (ES+) calc'd for C₁₃H₁₈NO₂S (M+H)⁺ 252.1058, found 252.1076.

N,N-Diethyl-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)ethynesulfonamide (33)



Yellow oil (41%). *Rf* = 0.23 (20:80 EA:PE); ¹H-NMR 600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ_{H} 7.48 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2 H, Ar*H*), 6.90 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2 H, Ar*H*), 3.84 (s, 3 H, OC*H*₃), 3.37 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 4 H, NC*H*₂), 1.29 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 6 H, NCH₂C*H*₃); ¹³C-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ_{c} 161.8 (C_q), 134.4 (CH), 114.5 (CH), 110.4 (C_q), 89.2 (C_q), 82.9 (C_q), 55.6 (CH₃), 43.0 (CH₂), 13.5 (CH₃); v_{max} /cm⁻¹; 2976, 2937, 2841, 2551, 2174, 2087, 1897, 1602, 1570, 1508, 1463, 1442, 1417, 1383, 1354, 1341, 1295, 1253, 1201, 1174, 1149, 1109, 1067, 1017, 937, 855, 833, 771, 733, 695, 644, 613, 538, 507; LRMS (ES+) *m*/*z* (%) 269 (8), 268 (100), 252 (6); HRMS (ES+) calc'd for C₁₃H₁₈NO₃S (M+H)⁺ 268.1007, found 268.1006. Data in agreement with literature.²

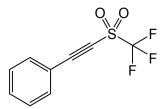
N,N-Diethyl-2-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)ethynesulfonamide (34)



Yellow oil (38%). *Rf* = 0.47 (20:80 EA:PE); ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ_{H} ; 7.66 (s, 4 H, Ar*H*), 3.41 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 4 H, NC*H*₂), 1.31 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 6 H, NCH₂C*H*₃); ¹³C-NMR (600 MHz,

CDCl₃) δ_c 132.9 (CH), 132.7 (q, J = 33.0 Hz, C_q), 125.8 (q, J = 3.8 Hz, CH), 123.5 (C_q), 122.6 (q, J = 272.7 Hz, C_q), 86.0 (C_q), 85.9 (C_q), 43.1 (CH₂), 13.5 (CH₃); v_{max}/cm^{-1} ; 2978, 2939, 2878, 2187, 1613, 1468, 1406, 1384, 1362, 1322, 1240, 1224, 1204, 1158, 1131, 1108, 1067, 1016, 942, 867, 786, 766, 706, 664, 620, 599, 569, 535; LRMS (ES+) m/z (%) 323 (5), 308 (12), 307 (25), 306 (100); HRMS (ES+) calc'd for $C_{13}H_{15}F_3NO_2S$ (M+H)⁺ 306.0775, found 306.0780. Data in agreement with literature.²

Procedure for the synthesis of (((trifluoromethyl)sulfonyl)ethynyl)benzene (29)



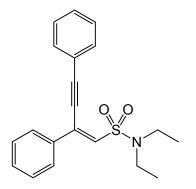
A 100 mL flame-dried flask was charged with a solution of phenylacetylene (0.11 g, 1.08 mmol, 1.0 eq.) in dry Et₂O (10 mL) under argon. The solution was cooled to -78°C and nBuLi (0.43 mL of 2.5 M in hexanes, 1.08 mmol, 1.0 eq.) was added dropwise. The mixture was allowed to stir for 30 min. Trifluoromethylsulfonic anhydride (0.34 g, 1.19 mmol, 1.1 eg.) was added dropwise and allowed to stir for a further 20 min. The reaction mixture was allowed to warm to RT, washed with saturated NaHCO₃ (10 mL), 1 M HCI (10 mL) then brine (10 mL), dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated *in vacuo* to yield the crude product. Purification via flash column chromatography (Petroleum Ether/Ethyl acetate) was carried out to yield the product as a yellow oil (0.11 g, 53%). Rf = 0.44 (20:80 EA:PE); ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ_{H} 7.71 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2 H, ArH), 7.64 (t, J = 7.5, Hz, 1 H, ArH), 7.50 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2 H, ArH); ¹³C-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ_c 133.9 (CH), 133.5 (CH), 129.2 (CH), 119.1 (q, J = 323.1 Hz, C_a), 115.9 (C_q), 100.9 (C_q), 77.4 (C_q); *v*_{max}/cm⁻¹ 3072, 2852, 2175, 2104, 1596, 1489, 1445, 1381, 1219, 1119, 1026, 1000, 926, 863, 759, 686, 595, 561, 535, 504, 458; LRMS (EI) m/z (%) 235 (6), 234 (43), 167 (5), 166 (10), 165 (100), 105 (18), 101 (10), 89 (44), 77 (14), 75 (19), 74 (10), 69 (9), 63 (8); HRMS (EI) calc'd for C₉H₅F₃O₂S (M⁺) 233.9957, found 233.9956. Data in agreement with literature.³

General procedure for the treatment of alkynyl sulfonamides with aromatic acetylene to produce vinylsulfonamides, diynes and enediynes

A 100 mL flame-dried flask was charged with a solution of aromatic acetylene (1.1 eq.) in distilled THF (0.01 M) under argon. The solution was cooled to 0 °C and *n*BuLi (2.5 M in hexanes, 1.1 eq.) was added dropwise. The mixture was allowed to warm to RT and stirred for a further 10 min. An additional, 100 mL flame-dried flask was charged with a solution of alkynyl sulfonamide (0.15-0.2 mmol, 1.0 eq.) in distilled THF (0.1 M) under argon. The

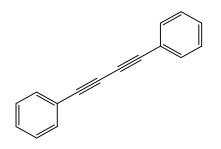
solution was heated to 60 °C and the previously formed lithiated aromatic acetylene solution was added dropwise (addition rate of 0.0025 mmol/min) with constant stirring. The reaction mixture was diluted with CH_2Cl_2 (200 mL), washed with H_2O (100 mL) then brine (100 mL), dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated *in vacuo* to yield the crude mixture. Separation *via* flash column chromatography (Petroleum Ether/Ethyl acetate) was carried out to yield the purified products.

(Z)-N,N-Diethyl-2,4-diphenylbut-1-en-3-yne-1-sulfonamide (4)



Yellow oil. Rf = 0.30 (20:80 EA:PE); ¹H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ_H 7.72 (m, 2 H, Ar*H*), 7.62 (m, 2 H, Ar*H*), 7.44 (m, 3 H, Ar*H*), 7.39 (m, 3 H, Ar*H*), 6.88 (s, 1 H, C=C*H*), 3.43 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 4 H, NC*H*₂), 1.24 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 6 H, NCH₂C*H*₃); ¹³C-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ_c 136.2 (C_q), 132.7 (CH), 132.2 (CH), 131.1 (C_q), 130.3 (CH), 129.7 (CH), 128.9 (CH), 128.6 (CH), 127.2 (CH), 122.3 (C_q), 103.6 (C_q), 84.9 (C_q), 41.9 (CH₂), 14.5 (CH₃); *v*_{max}/cm⁻¹ 3059, 2973, 2929, 2874, 2252, 2211, 1730, 1680, 1598, 1555, 1489, 1444, 1334, 1266, 1200, 1183, 1145, 1017, 934, 910, 815, 758, 735, 692, 648, 653; LRMS (ESI+) *m*/*z* (%) 868 (2), 763 (1), 701 (100), 644 (1), 460 (2), 340 (58), 267 (1); HRMS (ESI+) calc'd for C₂₀H₂₂NO₂S (M+H)⁺ 340.1366, found 340.1370.

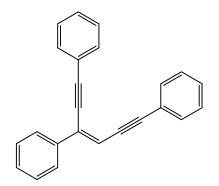
1,4-Diphenylbuta-1,3-diyne (5)



White solid. m.p. 83-87 °C; Rf = 0.57 (20:80 EA:PE); ¹H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ_{H} 7.54 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 4 H, Ar*H*), 7.36 (m, 6 H, Ar*H*); ¹³C-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ_{c} 132.6 (CH), 129.3 (CH), 128.6 (CH), 121.9 (C_q), 81.6 (C_q), 74.0 (C_q); v_{max} /cm⁻¹ 3047, 2148, 1949, 1879, 1750, 1667, 1591, 1568, 1483, 1438, 1175, 1156, 1066, 1023, 997, 964, 914, 848, 825, 751, 682,

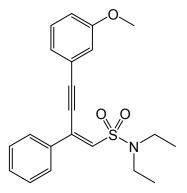
523, 462; LRMS (EI) m/z (%) 204 (3), 203 (9), 202 (100), 200 (17), 150 (3), 101 (6); HRMS (EI) calc'd for $C_{16}H_{10}$ (M⁺) 202.0777, found 202.0780.

(Z)-Hexa-3-en-1,5-diyne-1,3,6-triyltribenzene (6)



Brown oil. *Rf* = 0.56 (20:80 EA:PE); ¹H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ_{H} 7.75 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2 H, Ar*H*), 7.61 (m, 2 H, Ar*H*), 7.54 (m, 2 H, Ar*H*), 7.41 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2 H, Ar*H*), 7.36 (m, 7 H, Ar*H*), 6.58 (s, 1 H, C=C*H*); ¹³C-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ_{c} 136.9 (C_q), 133.5 (CH), 131.9 (CH), 131.7 (CH), 128.9 (CH), 128.8 (CH), 128.7 (CH), 128.6 (CH), 128.5 (CH), 128.5 (CH), 126.2 (CH), 123.5 (C_q), 123.2 (C_q), 113.7 (C_q), 98.5 (C_q), 98.4 (C_q), 89.1 (C_q), 87.7 (C_q); v_{max}/cm^{-1} 3058, 3031, 2920, 2847, 2198, 2171, 1719, 1676, 1596, 1488, 1443, 1362, 1176, 1069, 914, 843, 756, 690, 529; LRMS (EI) *m/z* (%) 305 (23), 304 (100), 302 (44), 300 (14), 276 (4), 226 (6), 202 (5), 178 (4), 150 (5); HRMS (EI) calc'd for C₂₄H₁₆ (M⁺) 304.1247, found 304.1246.

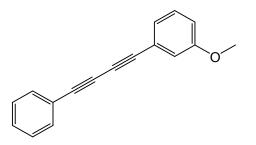
(Z)-N,N-Diethyl-4-(3-methoxyphenyl)-2-phenylbut-1-en-3-yne-1-sulfonamide (13)



Yellow oil. Rf = 0.24 (20:80 EA:PE); ¹H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ_{H} 7.71 (m, 2 H, Ar*H*), 7.44 (m, 3 H, Ar*H*), 7.29 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1 H, Ar*H*), 7.21 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1 H, Ar*H*), 7.13 (m, 1 H, Ar*H*), 6.96 (m, 1 H, Ar*H*), 6.88 (s, 1 H, C=C*H*), 3.83 (s, 3 H, C*H*₃), 3.42 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 4 H, NC*H*₂) 1.23 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 6 H, NCH₂C*H*₃); ¹³C-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ_{c} 159.5 (C_q), 136.1 (C_q), 132.6 (C_q), 131.2 (CH), 130.3 (CH), 129.7 (CH), 128.9 (CH), 127.2 (CH), 124.7 (CH),123.2 (C_q), 116.7 (CH), 116.4 (CH), 103.5 (C_q), 84.6 (C_q), 55.5 (CH₃), 41.9 (CH₂), 14.5

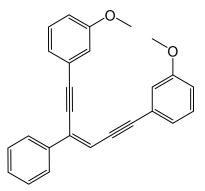
(CH₃); v_{max} /cm⁻¹ 3063, 2928, 2872, 2853, 2204, 1727, 1668, 1596, 1486, 1464, 1429, 1324, 1286, 1262, 1201, 1143, 1040, 1017, 937, 782, 757, 686, 561, 522, 461; LRMS (ES+) *m/z* (%) 371 (5), 370 (100); HRMS (ES+) calc'd for (C₂₁H₂₄NO₃S) (M+H)⁺ 370.1477, found 370.1479.

1-Methoxy-3-(phenylbuta-1,3-diyn-1-yl)benzene (14)



Yellow oil. Rf = 0.50 (20:80 EA:PE); ¹H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ_{H} 7.53 (dt, J = 6.5, 1.7 Hz, 2 H, Ar*H*), 7.35 (m, 3 H, Ar*H*), 7.25 (m, 1 H, Ar*H*), 7.13 (m, 1 H, Ar*H*), 7.05 (s, 1 H, Ar*H*), 6.93 (m, 1 H, Ar*H*), 3.81 (s, 3 H, C*H*₃); ¹³C-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ_{c} 159.3 (C_q), 132.6 (CH), 129.6 (CH), 129.3 (CH), 128.5 (CH), 125.2 (CH), 122.8 (C_q), 121.8 (C_q), 117.1 (CH), 116.1 (CH), 83.7 (C_q), 81.5 (C_q), 73.9 (C_q), 73.8 (C_q), 55.4 (CH₃); v_{max} /cm⁻¹ 3060, 2998, 2956, 2924, 2851, 2217, 2189, 2145, 1727, 1670, 1592, 1573, 1485, 1463, 1425, 1342, 1315, 1284, 1251, 1168, 1081, 1042, 993, 916, 870, 855, 780, 755, 685, 580, 563, 526, 467; LRMS (CI) m/z (%) 252 (6), 251 (14), 250 (100), 232 (9); HRMS (CI) calc'd for C₁₇H₁₂O (M⁺) 232.0883, found 232.0884.

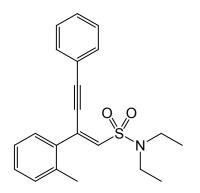
(Z)-3,3'-(3-Phenylhexa-3-en-1,5-diyne-1,6-diyl)bis(methoxybenzene) (15)



Yellow oil. Rf = 0.34 (20:80 EA:PE); ¹H-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ_{H} 7.74 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 2 H, ArH), 7.39 (m, 3 H, ArH), 7.24 (m, 3 H, ArH), 7.14 (m, 2 H, ArH), 7.06 (m, 1 H, ArH), 6.91 (m, 2 H, ArH), 6.57 (s, 1 H, C=CH), 3.79 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 3.77 (s, 3 H, CH₃); ¹³C-NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ_{c} 159.5 (C_q), 159.4 (C_q), 136.7 (CH), 135.1 (C_q), 133.7 (C_q), 129.6 (C_q), 129.6 (CH), 129.0 (CH), 128.7 (CH), 126.2 (CH), 124.4 (C_q), 124.3 (CH), 116.4 (CH), 116.2 (CH), 115.6 (CH), 115.5 (CH), 113.8 (CH), 113.7 (CH), 98.5 (C_q), 98.4 (C_q), 97.6 (C_q), 88.7 (C_q), 55.4

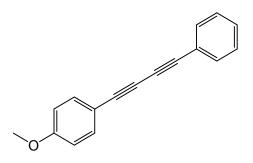
(CH₃), 55.3 (CH₃); v_{max} /cm⁻¹ 3061, 3002, 2958, 2922, 2849, 2835, 2200, 2189, 1724, 1685, 1595, 1575, 1486, 1463, 1450, 1428, 1318, 1285, 1263, 1211, 1175, 1040, 855, 781, 761, 737, 686, 565, 518, 468; LRMS (CI) *m*/*z* (%) 383 (3), 382 (12), 367 (14), 366 (24), 365 (100); HRMS (CI) calc'd for C₂₆H₂₁O₂ (M+H)⁺ 365.1536, found 365.1537.

(E)-N,N-Diethyl-4-phenyl-2-(o-tolyl)but-1-en-3-yne-1-sulfonamide (28)



Colourless oil. Rf = 0.31 (20:80 EA:PE); ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ_{H} 7.52 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 2 H, Ar*H*), 7.35 (m, 3 H, Ar*H*), 7.30 (m, 1 H, Ar*H*), 7.26 (m, 3 H, Ar*H*), 6.48 (s, 1 H, C=C*H*), 3.43 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 4 H, NCH₂), 2.49 (s, 3 H, ArCH₃), 1.26 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 6 H, NCH₂CH₃); ¹³C-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ_{c} 137.6 (C_q), 135.7 (C_q), 134.6 (CH), 133.7 (C_q), 132.2 (CH), 131.0 (CH), 129.6 (CH), 129.2 (CH), 128.6 (CH), 128.5 (CH), 126.4 (CH), 122.4 (C_q), 104.1 (C_q), 85.4 (C_q), 41.9 (CH₂), 20.3 (CH₃), 14.6 (CH₃); v_{max} /cm⁻¹ 3048, 2972, 2933, 2873, 2207, 1598, 1562, 1488, 1456, 1443, 1382, 1352, 1332, 1199, 1142, 1069, 1048, 1015, 994, 932, 879, 826, 755, 724, 688, 569, 555, 529, 507, 462, 429; LRMS (ES+) *m*/*z* (%) 408 (3), 378 (3), 377 (12), 376 (45), 356 (9), 355 (27), 354 (100); HRMS (ES+) calc'd for C₂₁H₂₄NO₂S (M+H)⁺ 354.1528, found 354.1507.

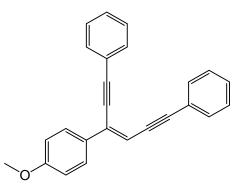
1-methoxy-4-(phenylbuta-1,3-diyn-1-yl)benzene (35)



Colourless oil. Rf = 0.49 (20:80 EA:PE); ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ_{H} 7.53 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 2 H, ArH), 7.48 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2 H, ArH), 7.35 (m, 3 H, ArH), 6.87 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2 H, ArH), 3.83 (s, 3 H, OC H_3); ¹³C-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ_{c} 160.5 (C_q), 134.3 (CH), 132.6 (CH), 129.2 (CH), 128.5 (CH), 122.1 (C_q), 114.3 (CH), 113.8 (C_q), 81.9 (C_q), 81.1 (C_q), 74.3 (C_q), 72.8 (C_q), 55.5 (CH₃); v_{max} /cm ⁻¹ 3074, 2953, 2923, 2842, 2541, 2216, 2139, 1976, 1887,

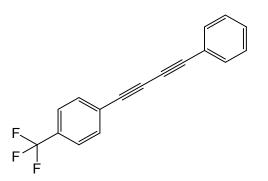
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(Z)-(3-(4-methoxyphenyl)hexa-3-en-1,5-diyne-1,6-diyl)dibenzene (36)



Brown oil. Rf = 0.44 (20:80 EA:PE); ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ_H 7.70 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2 H, ArH), 7.61 (m, 2 H, ArH), 7.53 (m, 2 H, ArH), 7.38 (m, 3 H, ArH), 7.34 (m, 3 H, ArH), 6.94 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2 H, ArH), 6.48 (s, 1 H, C=CH), 3.86 (s, 3 H, OCH₃); ¹³C-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ_c 160.4 (C_q), 133.0 (C_q), 131.9 (CH), 131.7 (CH), 129.5 (C_q), 128.8 (CH), 128.6 (CH), 128.5 (CH), 128.5 (CH), 127.6 (CH), 123.7 (C_q), 123.3 (C_q), 114.1 (CH), 111.7 (CH), 98.2 (C_q), 97.9 (C_q), 89.4 (C_q), 87.8 (C_q), 55.5 (CH₃); v_{max} /cm⁻¹ 3052, 2954, 2926, 2836, 2199, 2179, 1880, 1726, 1669, 1603, 1577, 1509, 1487, 1460, 1441, 1362, 1304, 1287, 1250, 1177, 1114, 1068, 1030, 913, 823, 754, 689, 605, 527, 448; LRMS (CI) *m/z* (%) 336 (27), 335 (100); HRMS (CI) calc'd for C₂₅H₁₉O (M+H)⁺ 335.1430, found 335.1431.

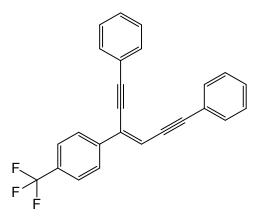
1-(phenylbuta-1,3-diyn-1-yl)-4-(trifluoromethyl)benzene (37)



Yellow oil. Rf = 0.66 (20:80 EA:PE); ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ_H 7.55 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 2 H, Ar*H*), 7.63 (m, 7 H, Ar*H*); ¹³C-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ_c 132.8 (CH), 132.7 (CH), 130.9 (q, J = 33.1 Hz, C_q), 129.7 (CH), 128.6 (CH), 125.8 (C_q), 125.5 (q, J = 3.8 Hz, CH), 123.9 (q, J = 272.6 Hz, C_q), 121.5 (C_q), 83.0 (C_q), 79.9 (C_q), 76.3 (C_q), 73.5 (C_q); v_{max}/cm^{-1} 2955, 2924, 2853, 2256, 2213, 1916, 1796, 1667, 1612, 1570, 1488, 1462, 1443, 1405, 1317, 1167,

1104, 1064, 1012, 912, 834, 753, 686, 593, 519; LRMS (CI) *m*/*z* (%) 540 (8), 371 (11), 370 (44), 342 (9), 288 (5), 271 (19), 270 (100), 260 (10), 221 (8).

(Z)-(3-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)hexa-3-en-1,5-diyne-1,6-diyl)dibenzene (38)



Yellow oil. Rf = 0.57 (20:80 EA:PE); ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ_{H} 7.85 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2 H, Ar*H*), 7.67 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2 H, Ar*H*), 7.61 (m, 2 H, Ar*H*), 7.55 (m, 2 H, Ar*H*), 7.40 (m, 3 H, Ar*H*), 7.37 (m, 3 H, Ar*H*), 6.64 (s, 1 H, C=C*H*); ¹³C-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ_{c} 132.1 (C_q), 131.9 (CH), 131.8 (CH), 131.8 (CH), 131.7 (CH), 130.3 (q, J = 31.4 Hz, C_q), 129.1 (CH), 129.0 (CH), 128.6 (CH), 128.6 (CH), 125.7 (q, J = 3.4 Hz, CH), 125.0 (C_q), 124.1 (q, J = 273.6 Hz, C_q), 123.2 (C_q), 116.1 (C_q), 99.9 (C_q), 99.1 (C_q), 88.7 (C_q), 87.0 (C_q); v_{max}/cm^{-1} 3079, 3060, 3023, 2954, 2923, 2853, 2183, 1632, 1616, 1597, 1490, 1461, 1443, 1410, 1377, 1324, 1167, 1125, 1069, 1016, 914, 843, 831, 755, 689, 620, 605, 529; LRMS (CI) m/z (%) 392 (3), 391 (11), 390 (33), 378 (5), 375 (8), 374 (28), 373 (100), 372 (12), 370 (5), 353 (4), 350 (9), 345 (26), 322 (9); HRMS (CI) calc'd for C₂₅H₁₆F₃ (M+H)⁺ 373.1199, found 373.1199.

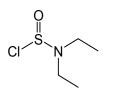
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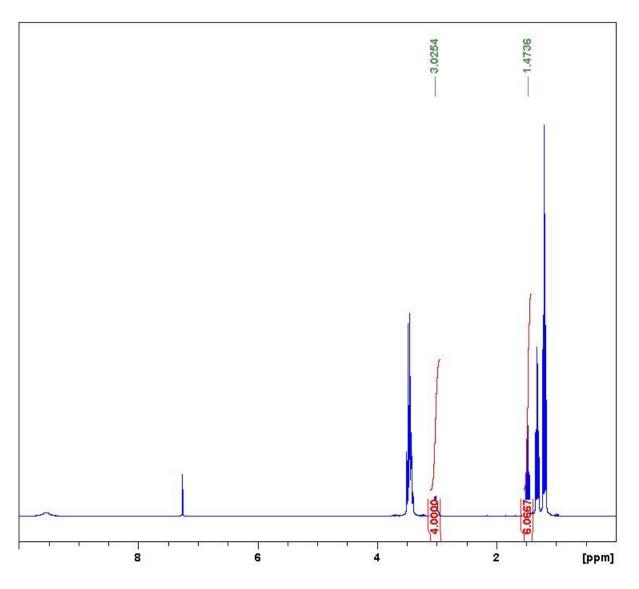
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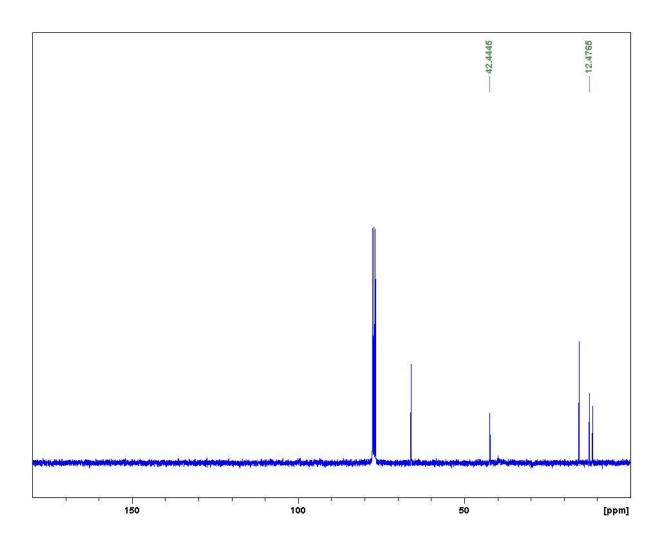
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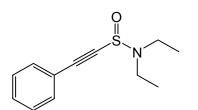
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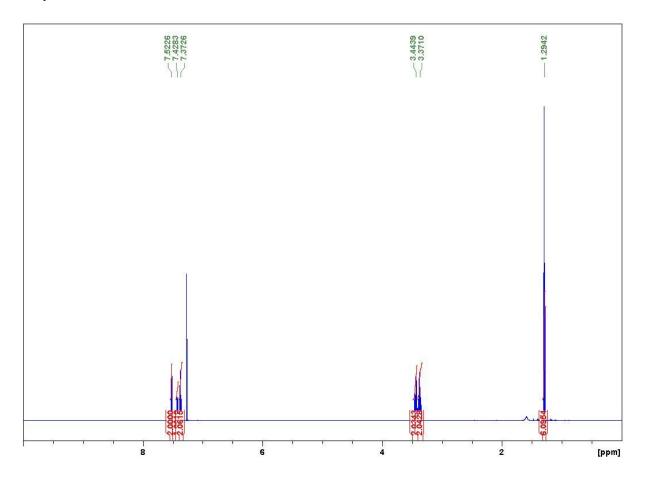


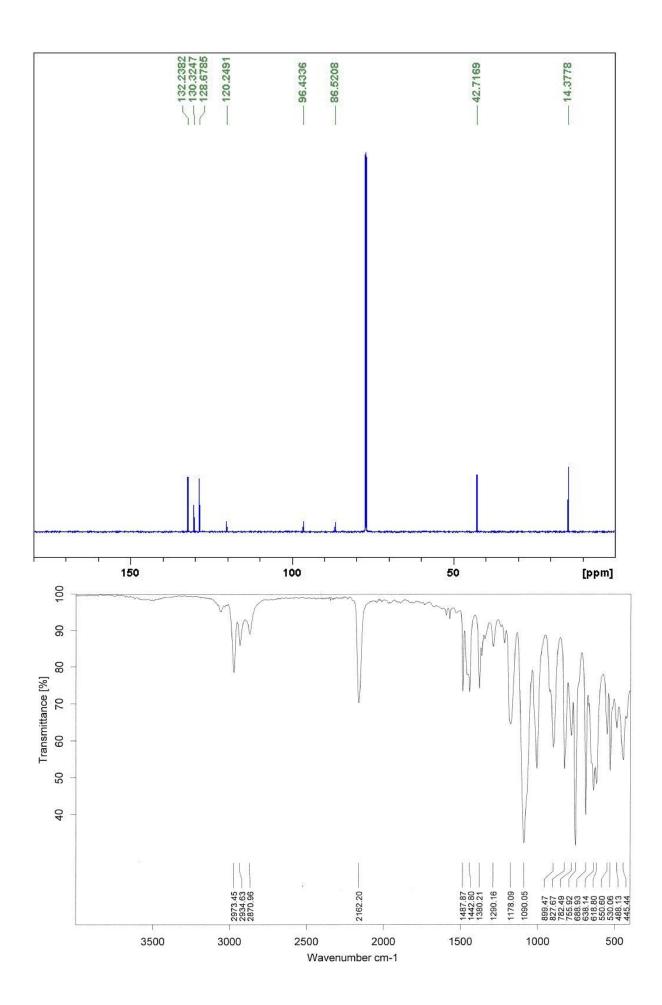


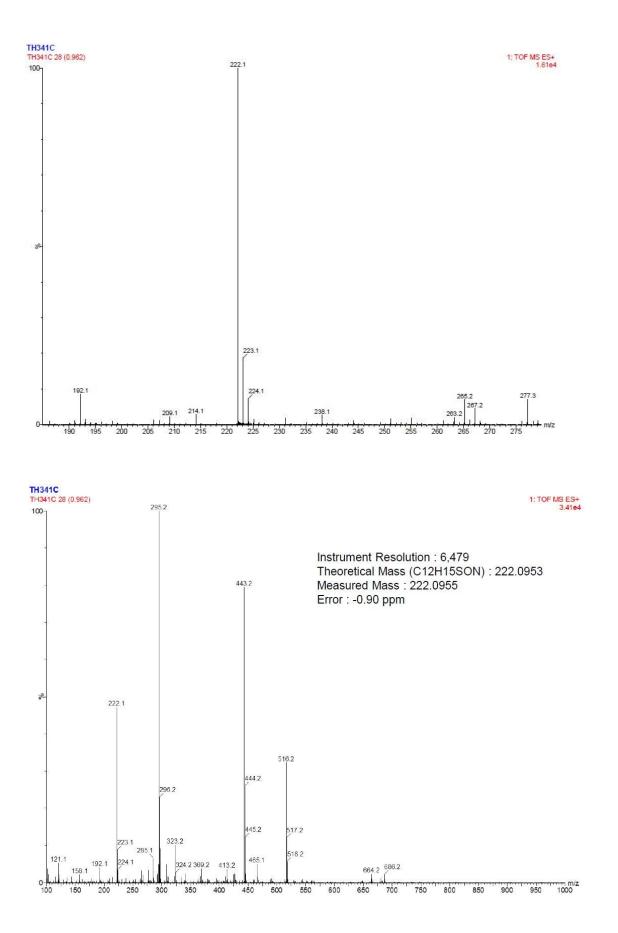


N,*N*-Diethyl-2-phenylethynesulfinamide - ¹H-NMR, ¹³C-NMR, IR, LRMS and HRMS

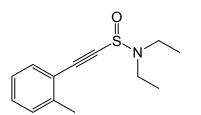


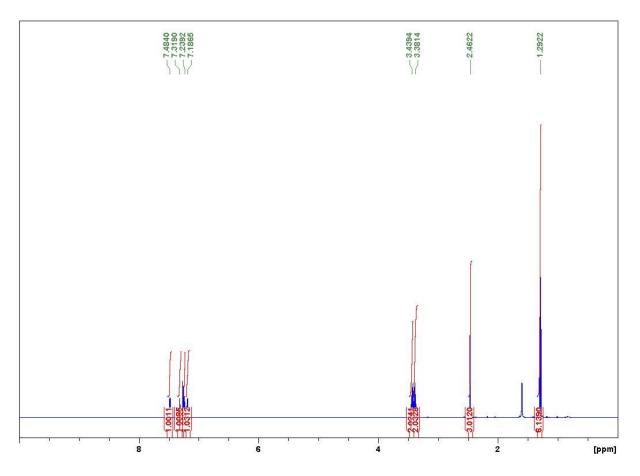


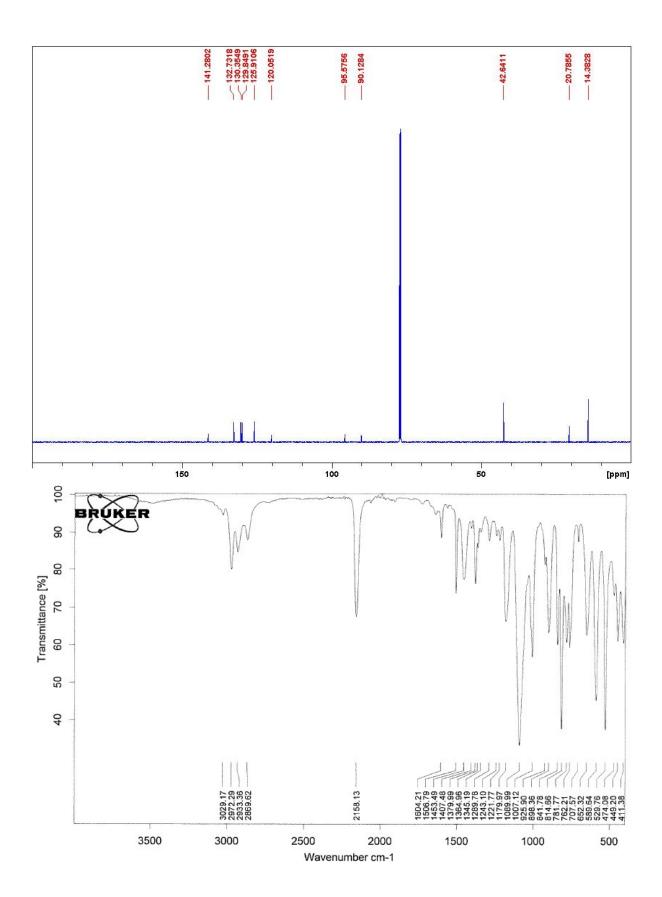


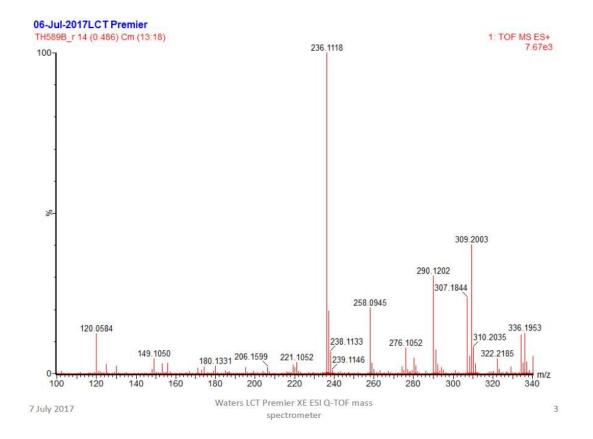


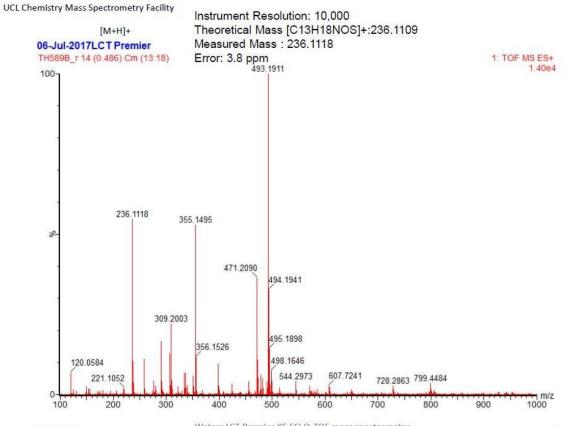
N,*N*-Diethyl-2-(o-tolyl)ethynesulfinamide (3) - ¹H-NMR, ¹³C-NMR, IR, LRMS and HRMS









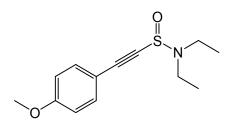


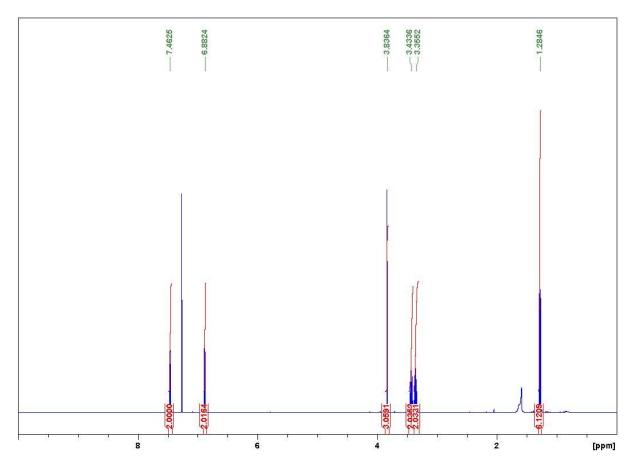
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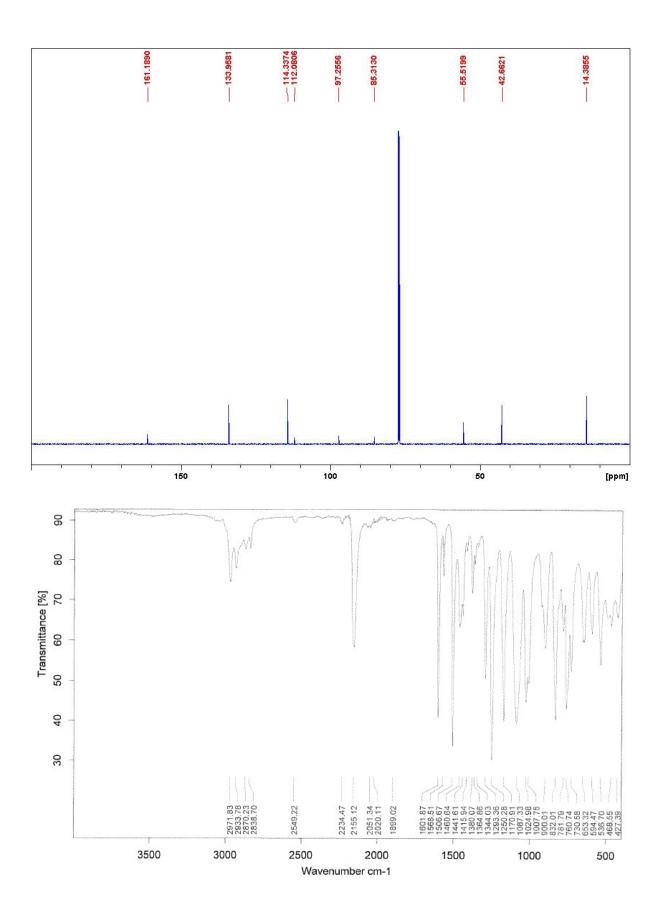
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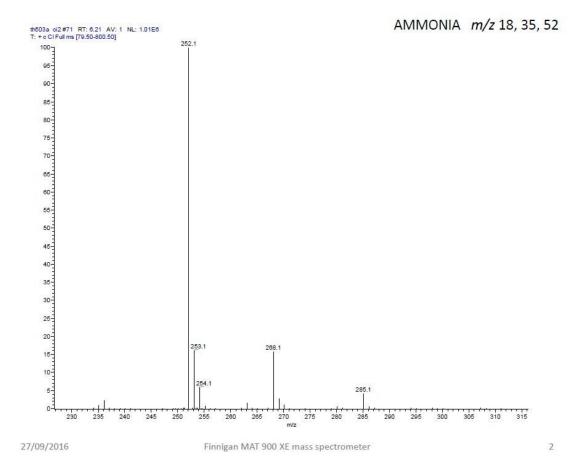
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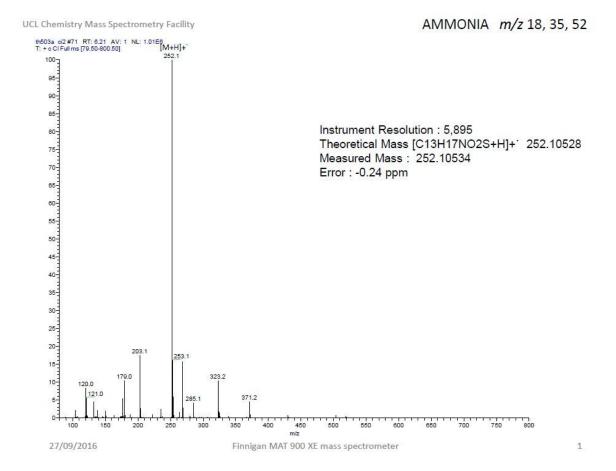
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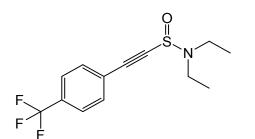


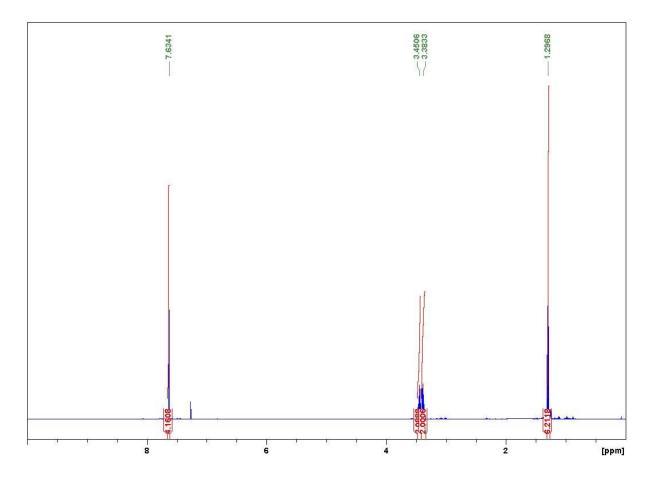


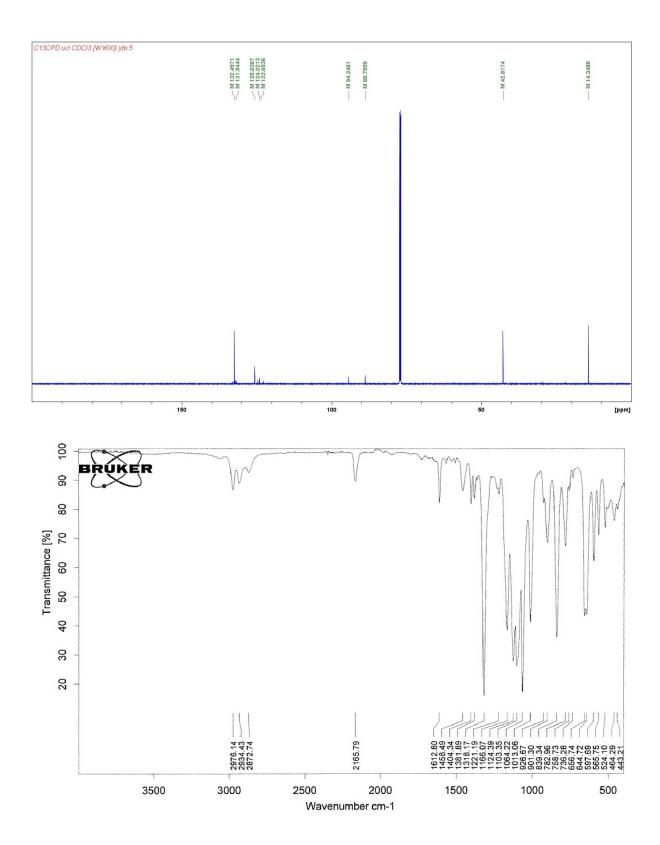


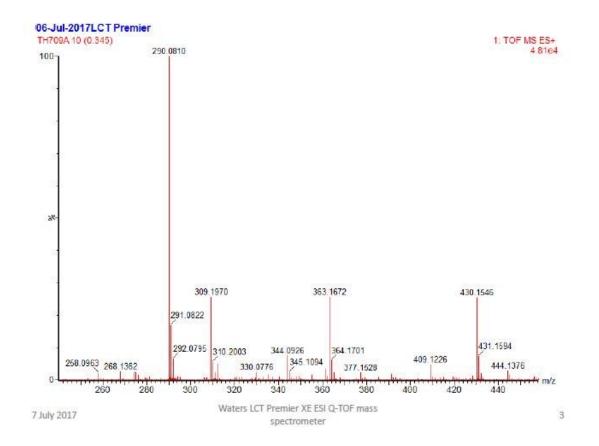


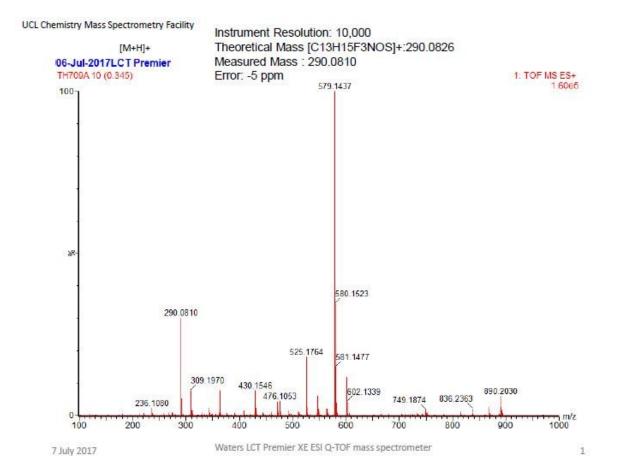
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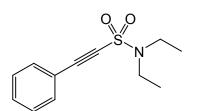


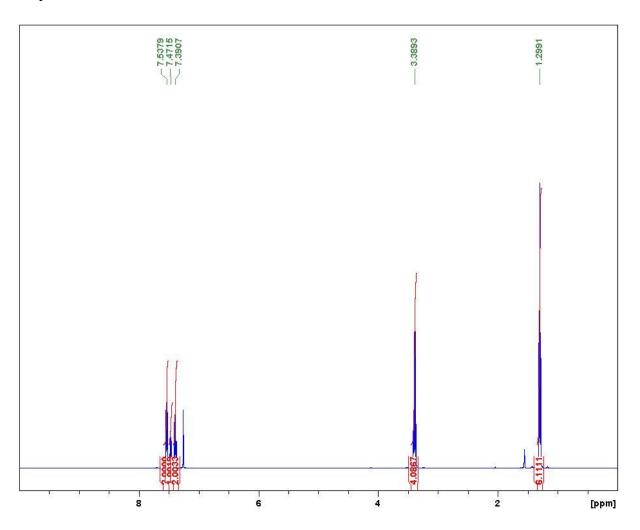


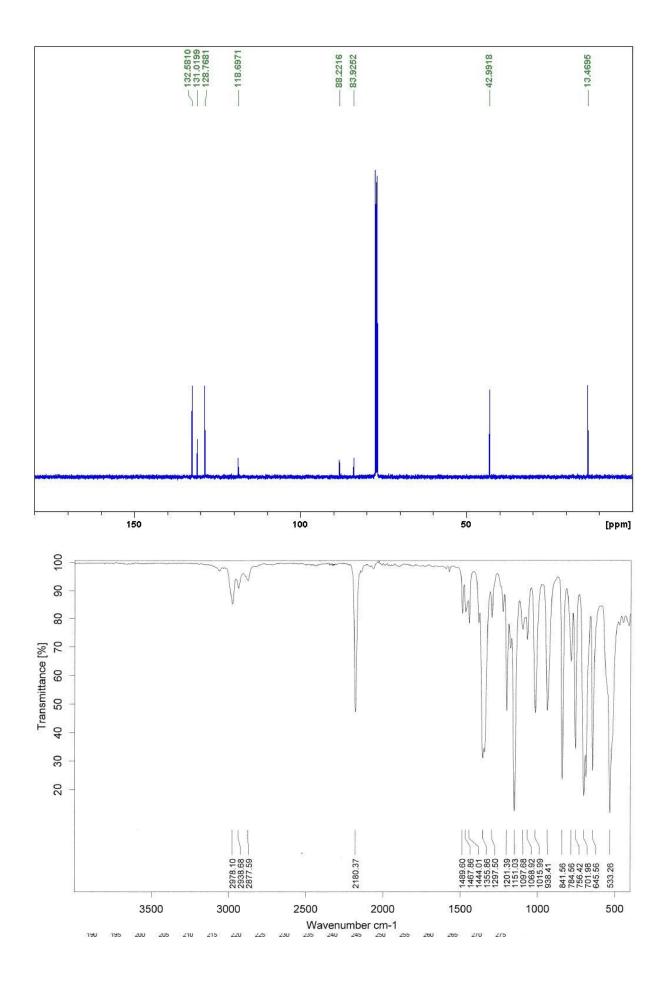


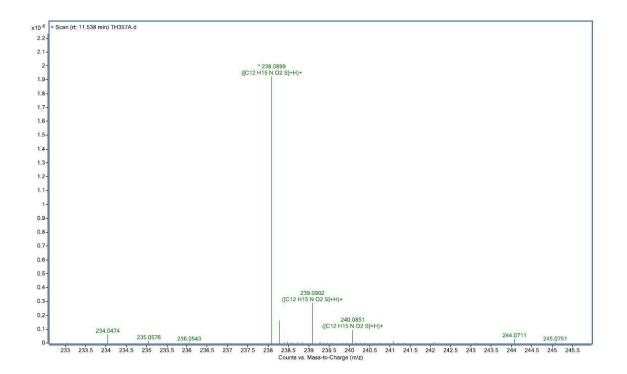


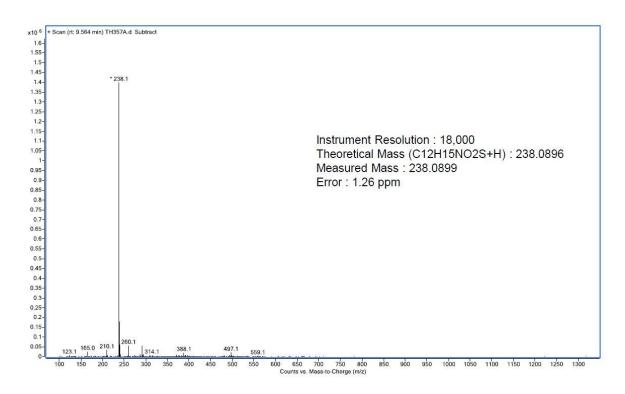
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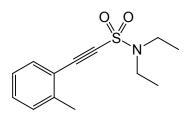


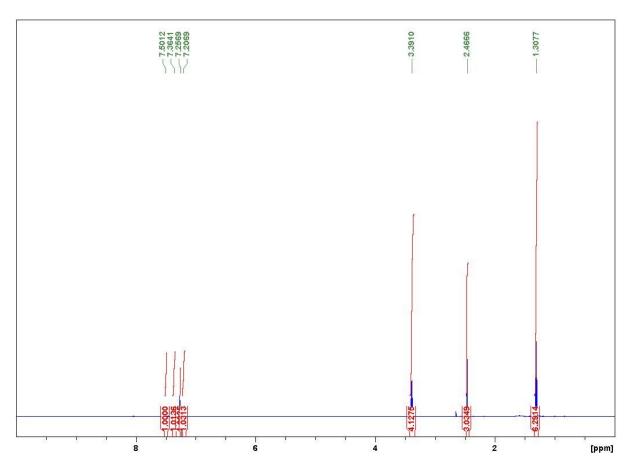


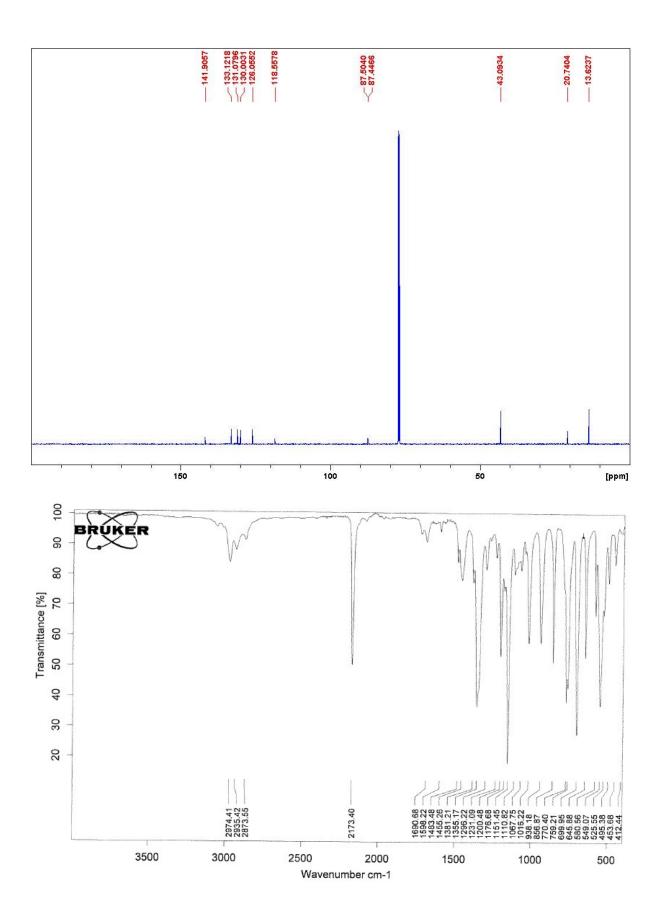


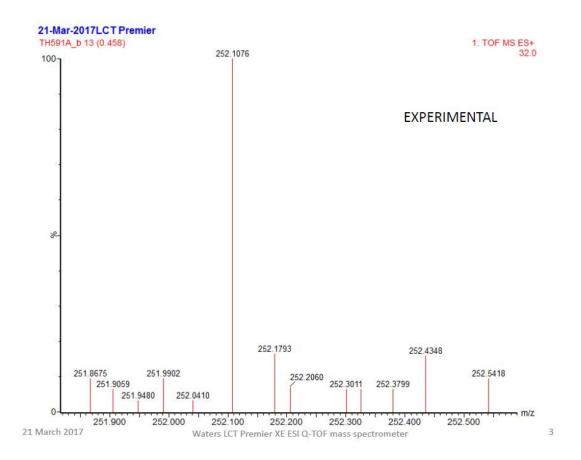


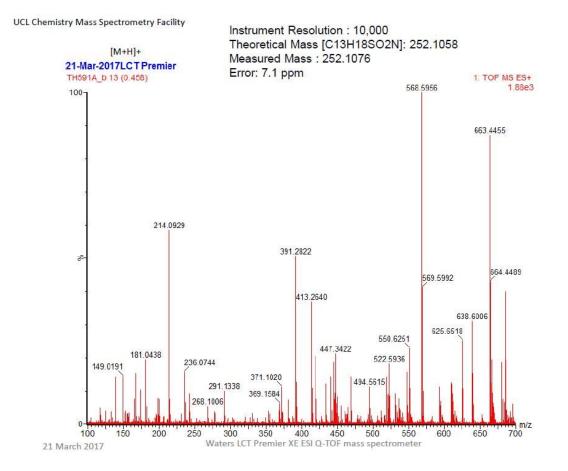
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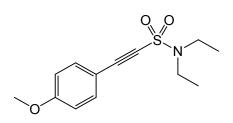


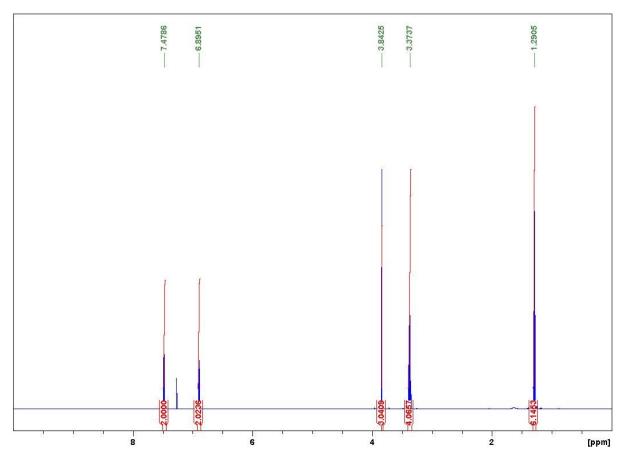


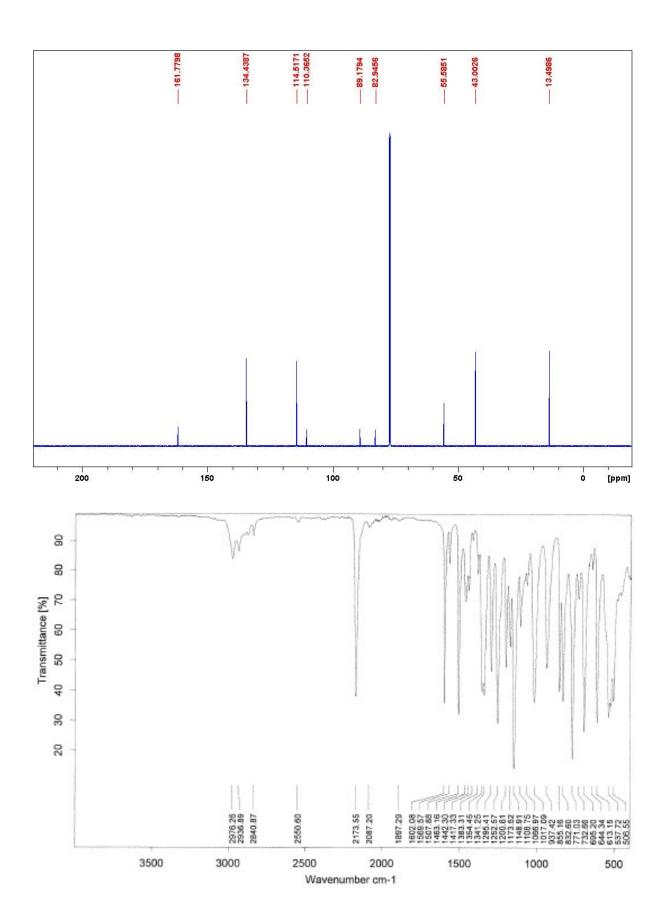


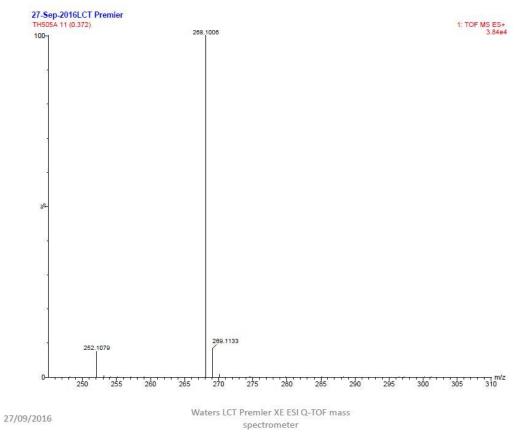


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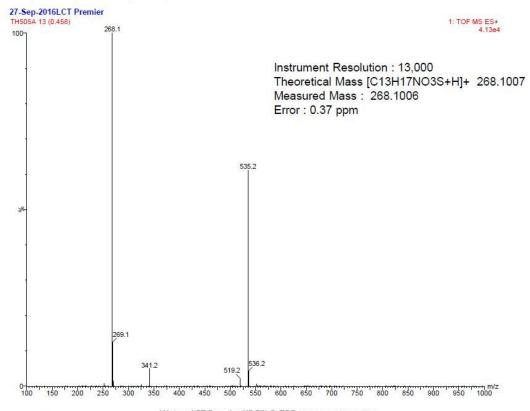








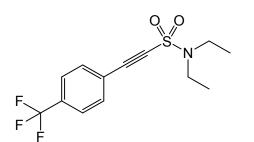
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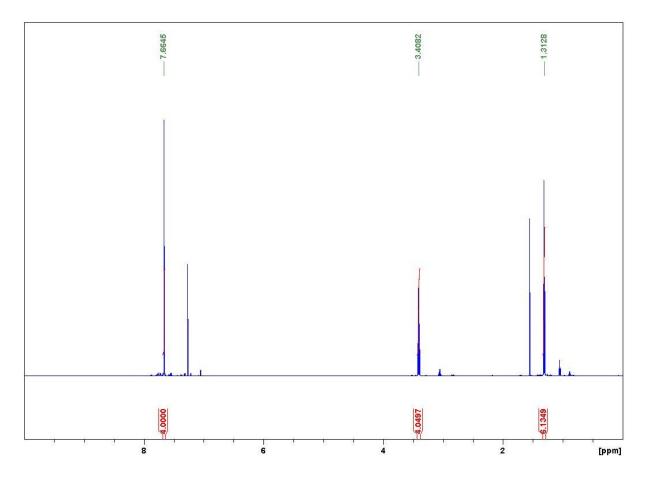


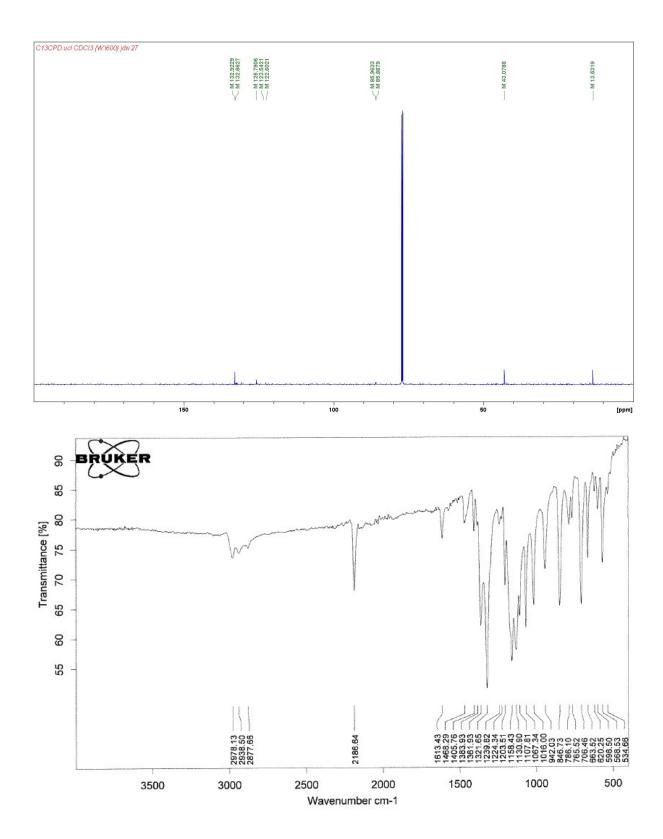
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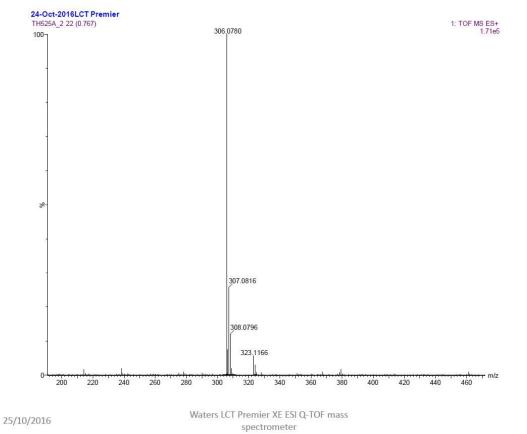
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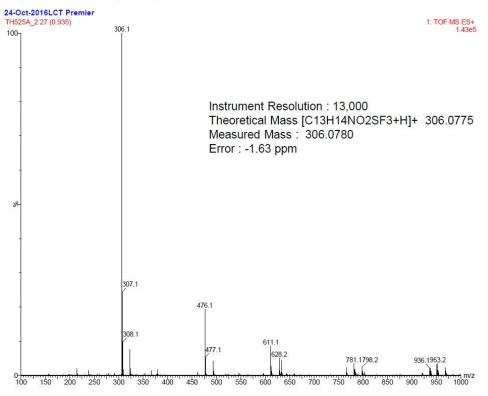








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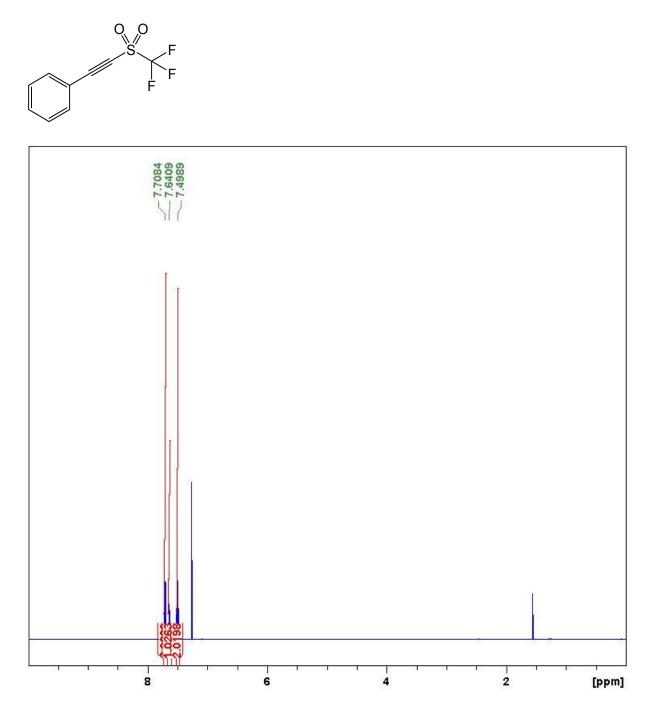


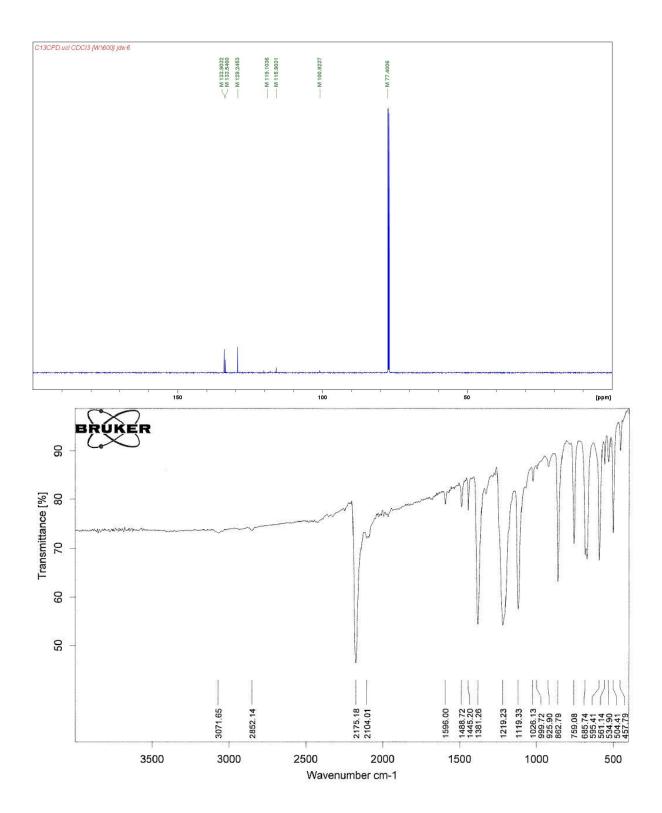
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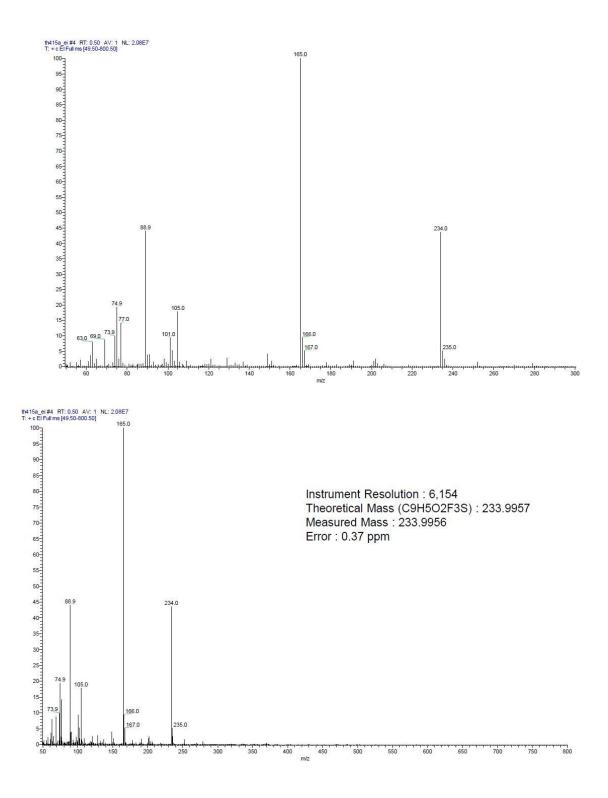
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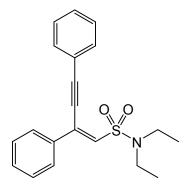
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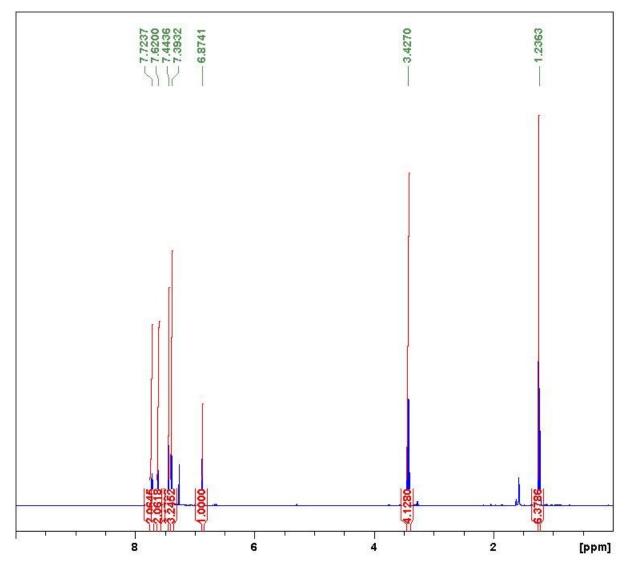


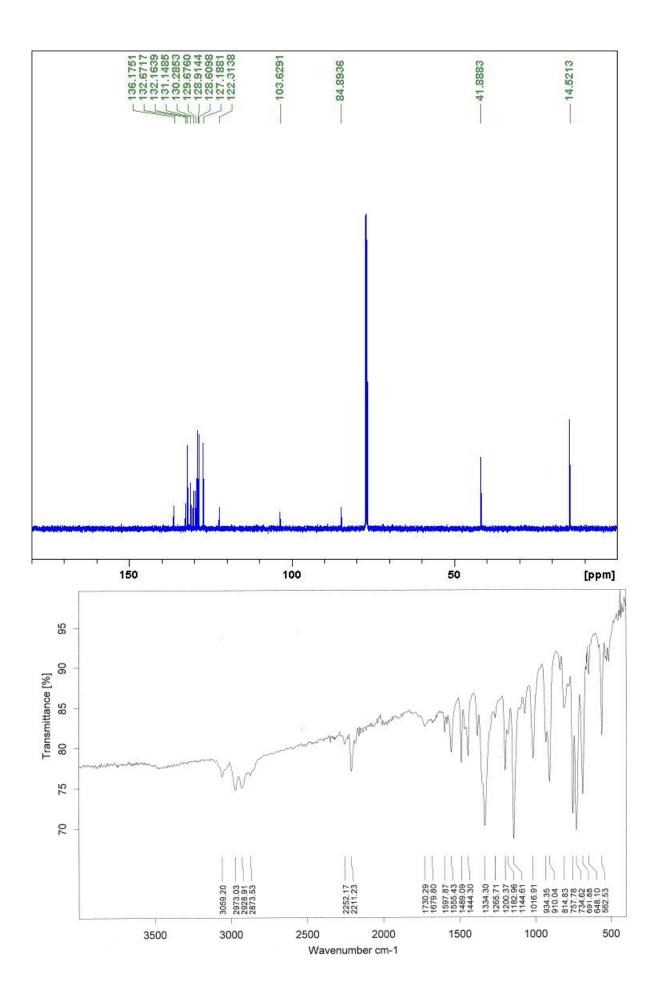


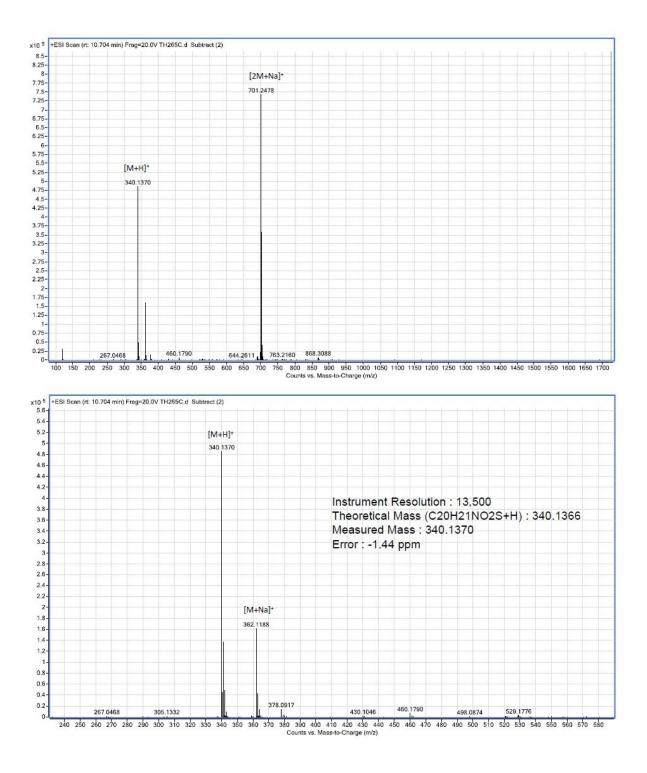


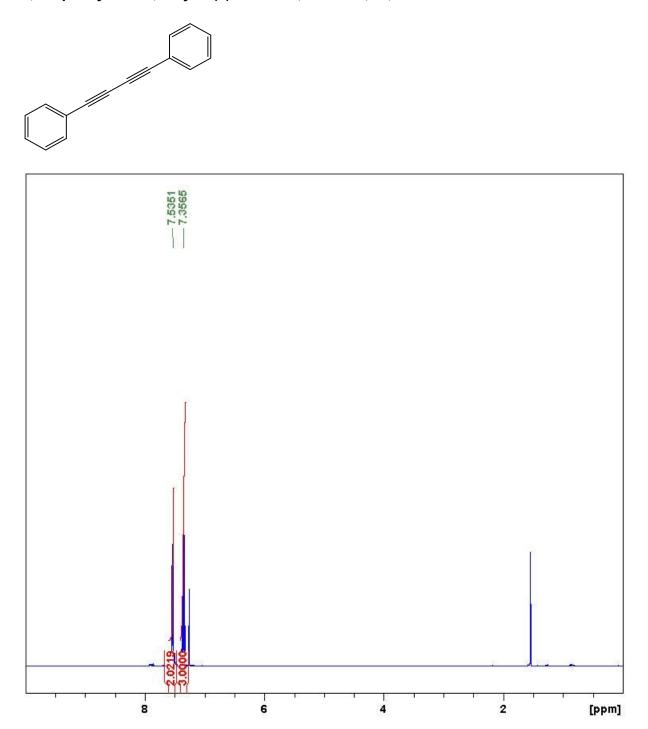
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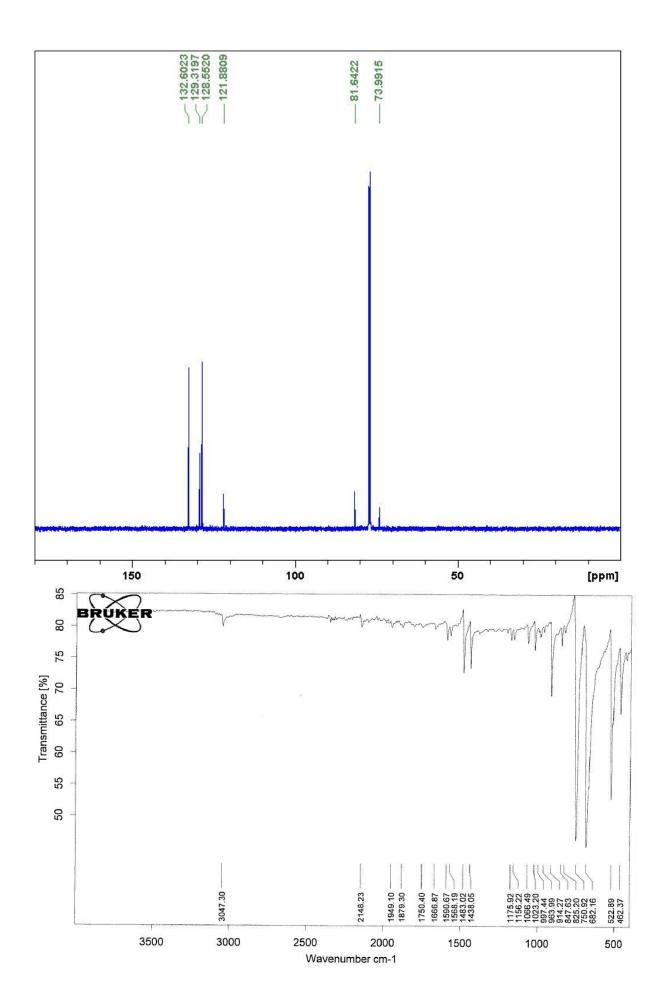


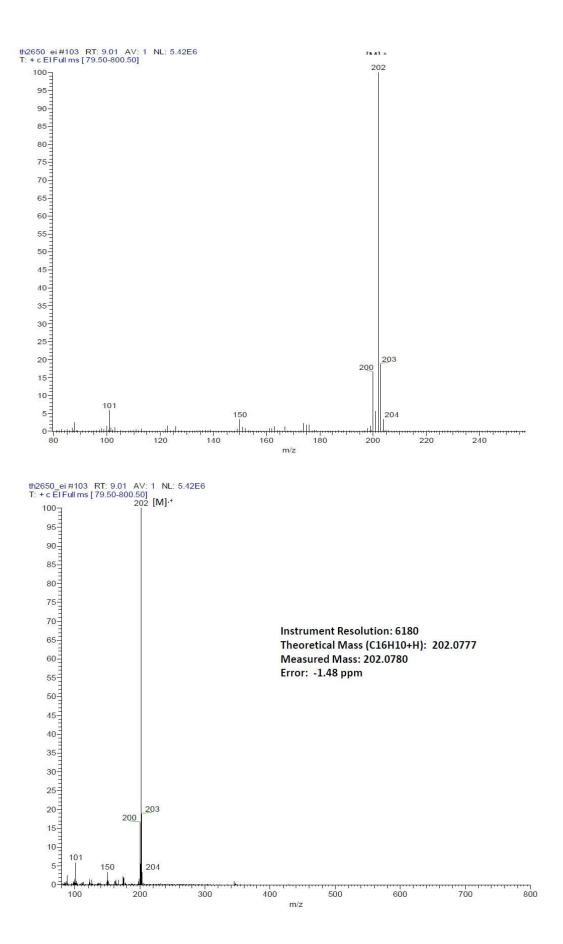




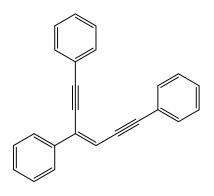


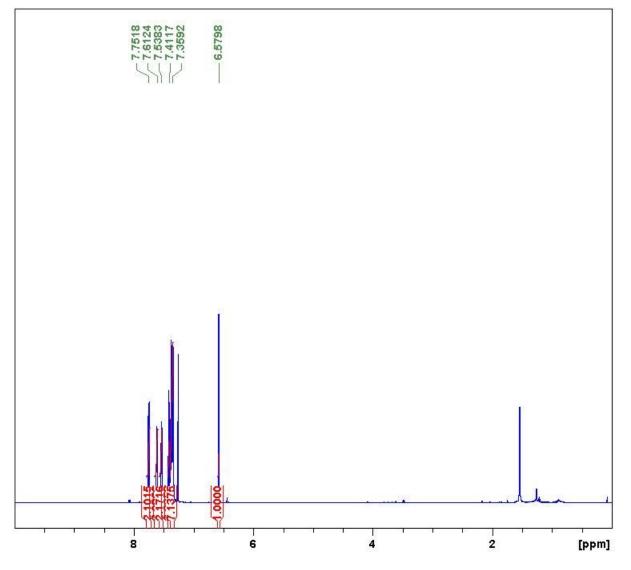
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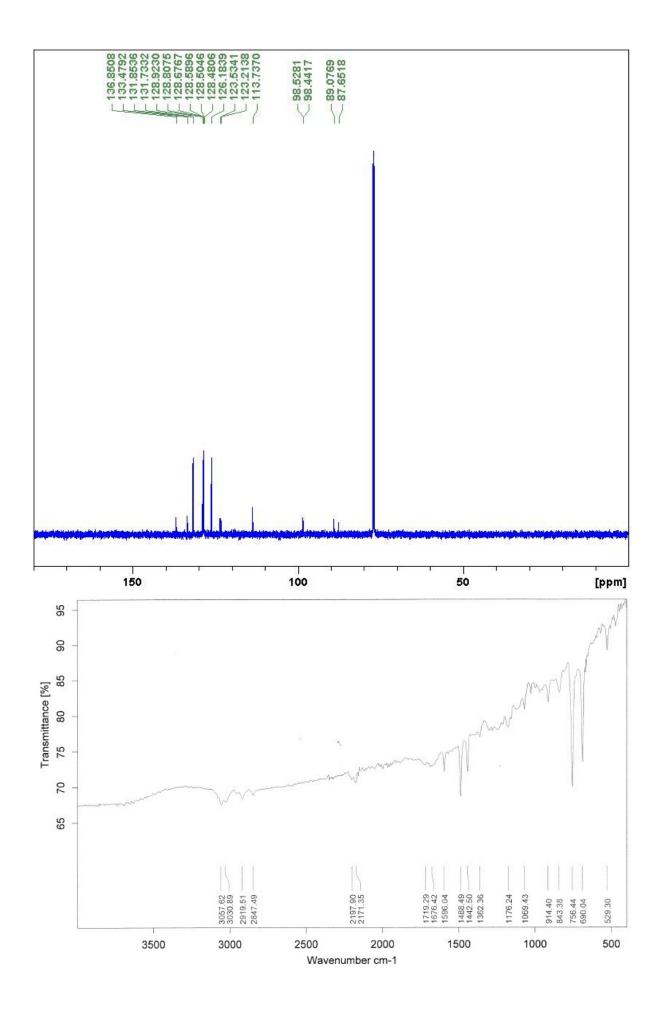


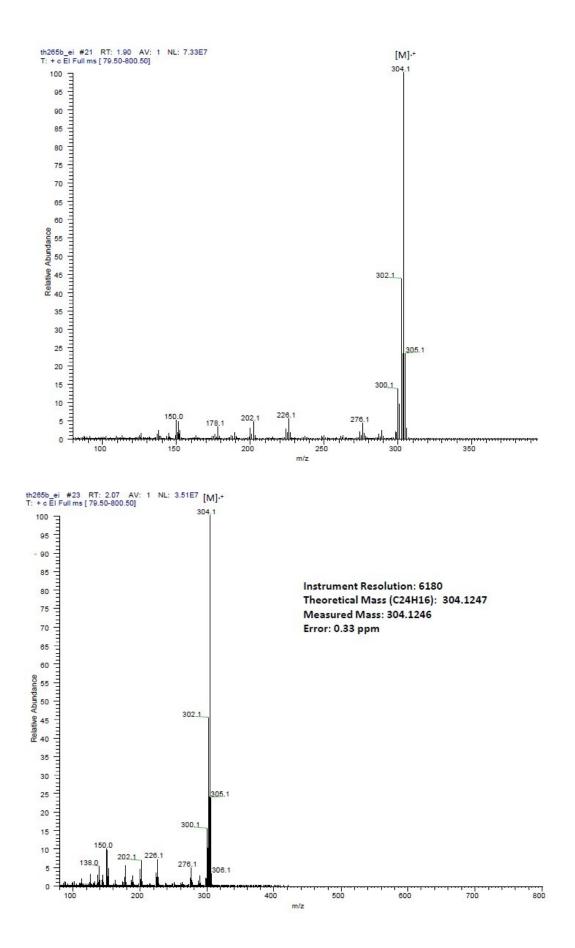


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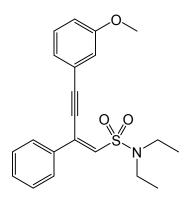


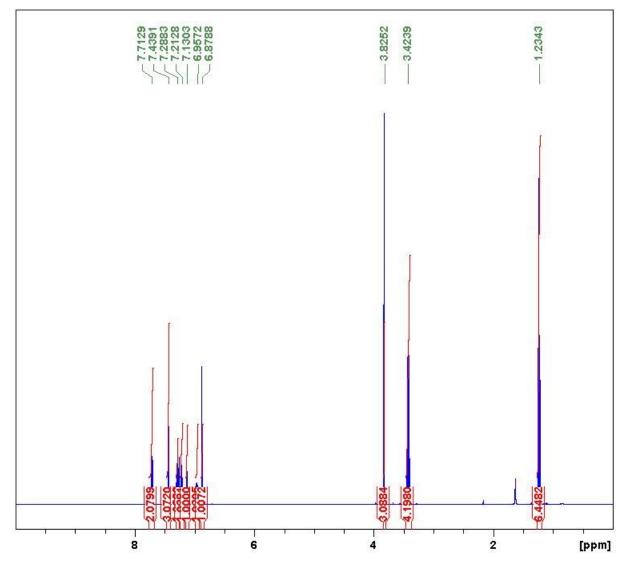


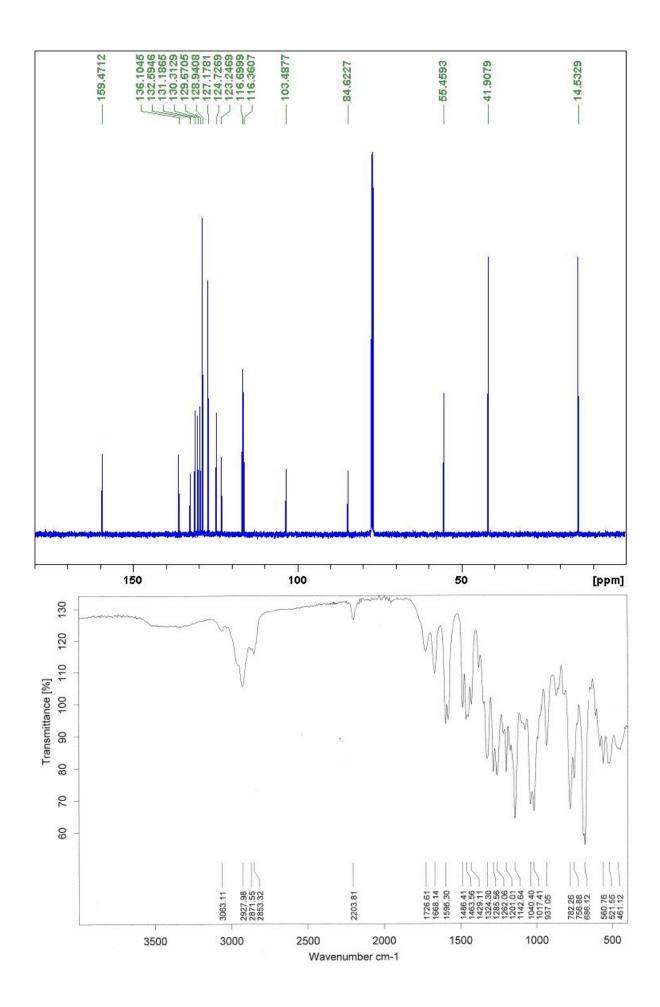


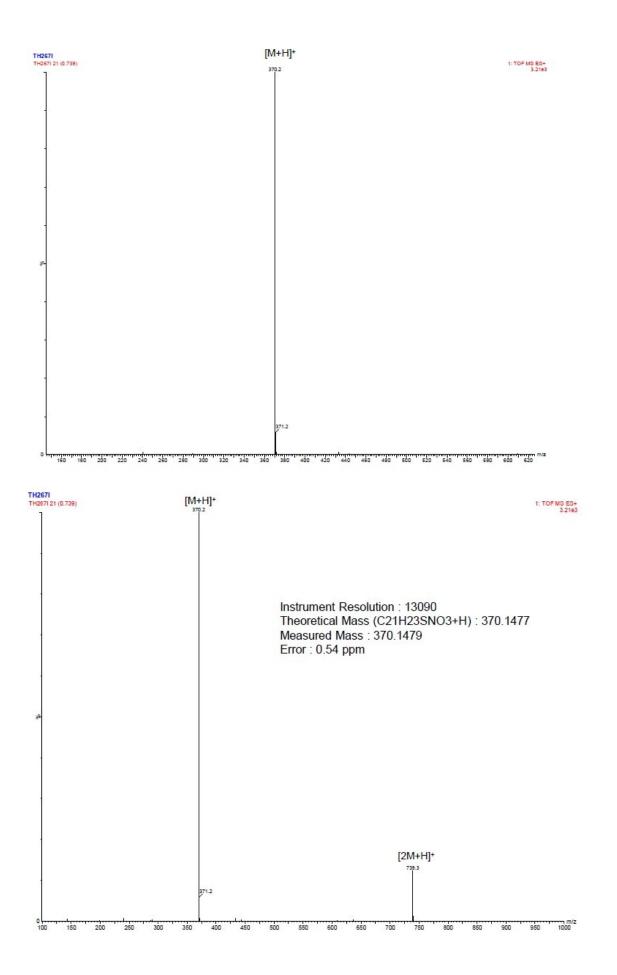


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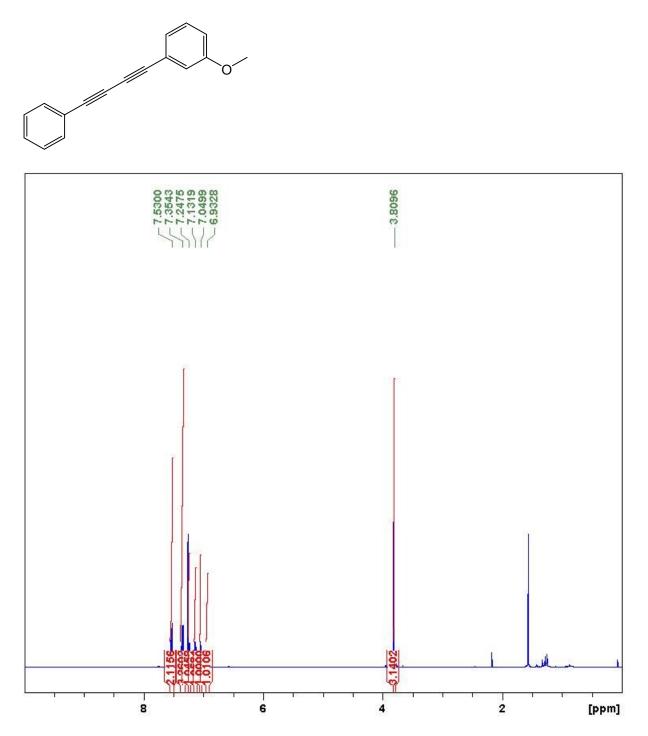


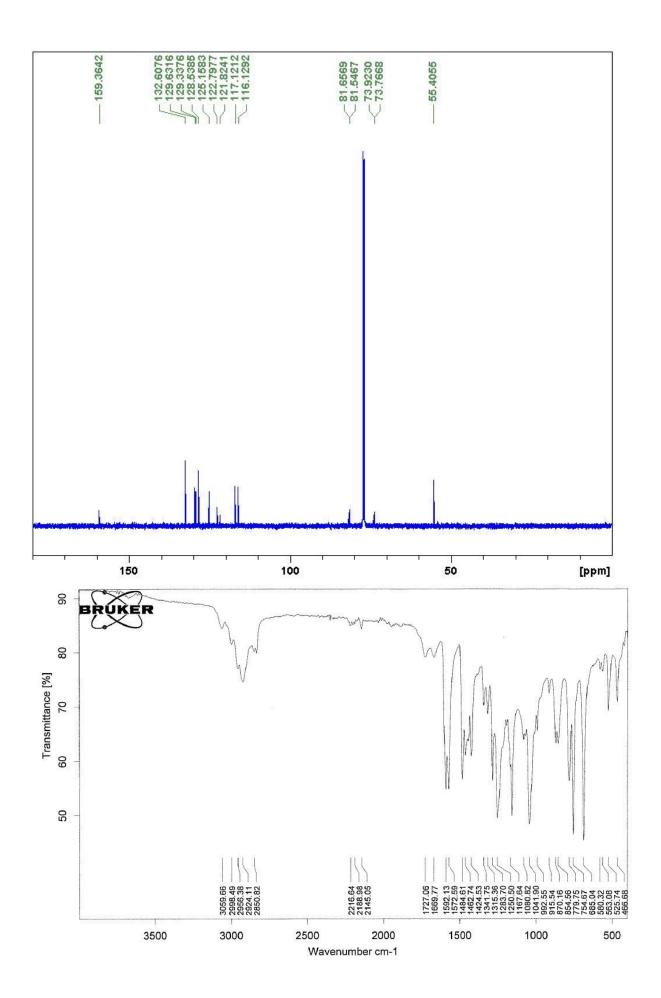


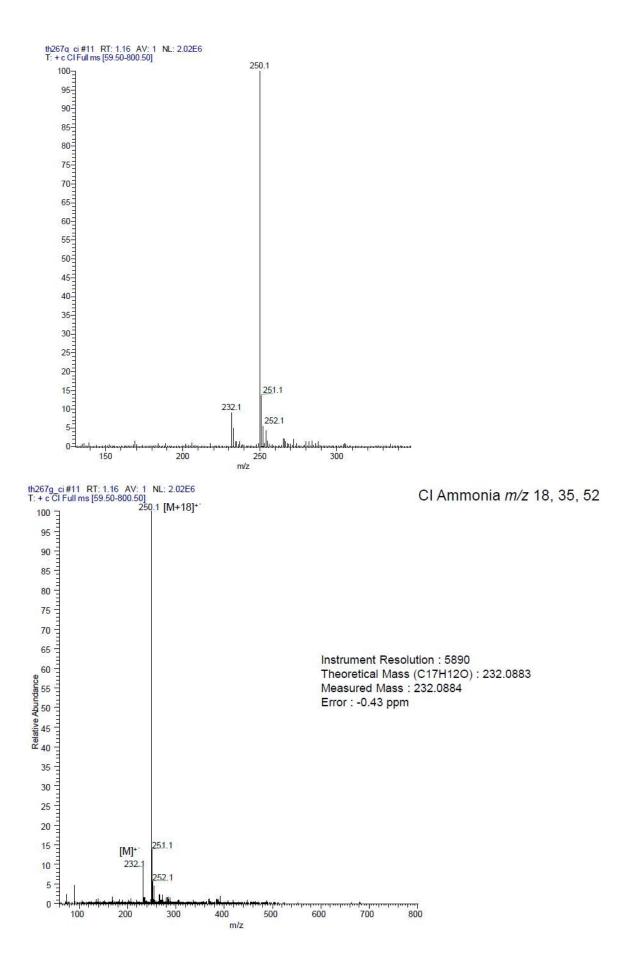




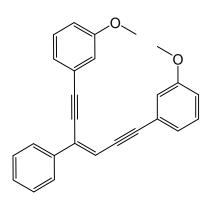
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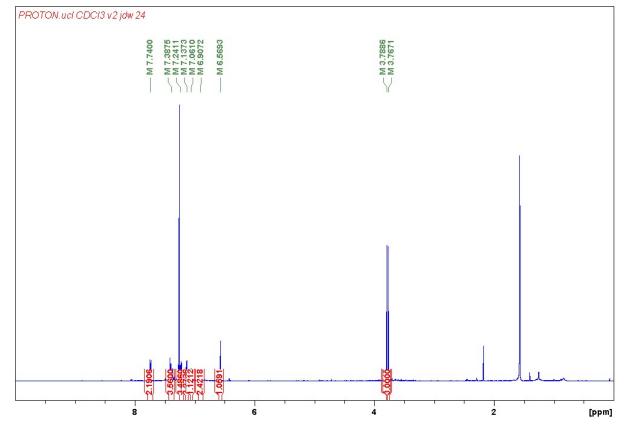


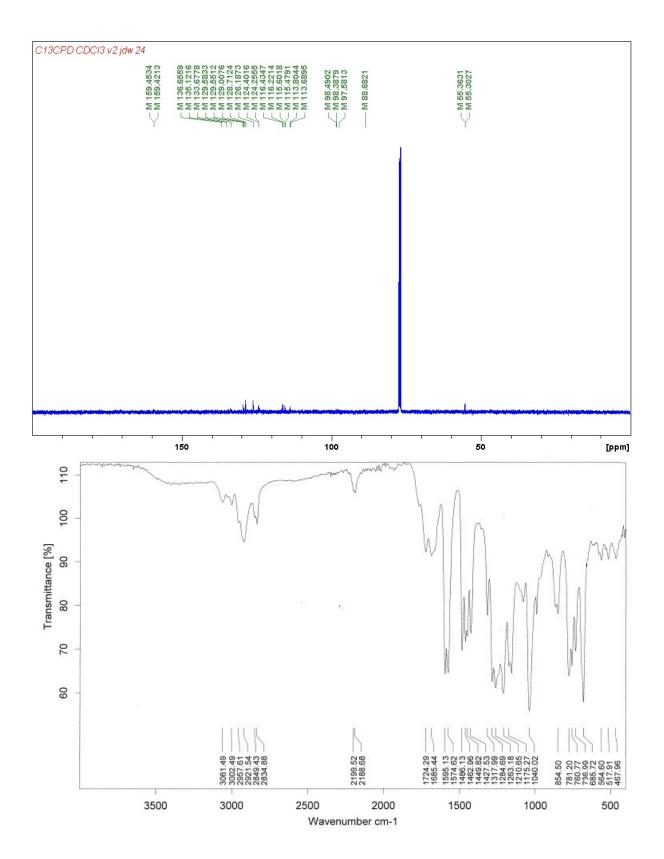


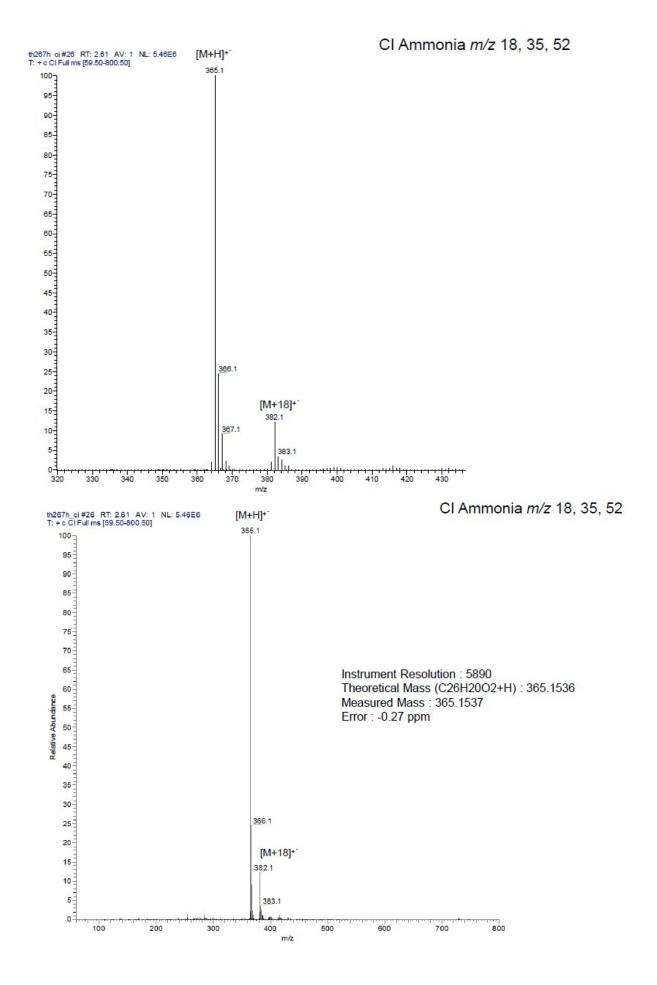


(Z)-3,3'-(3-Phenylhexa-3-en-1,5-diyne-1,6-diyl)bis(methoxybenzene) (15) - ¹H-NMR, ¹³C-NMR, IR, LRMS and HRMS

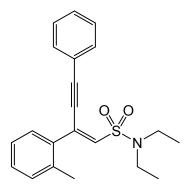


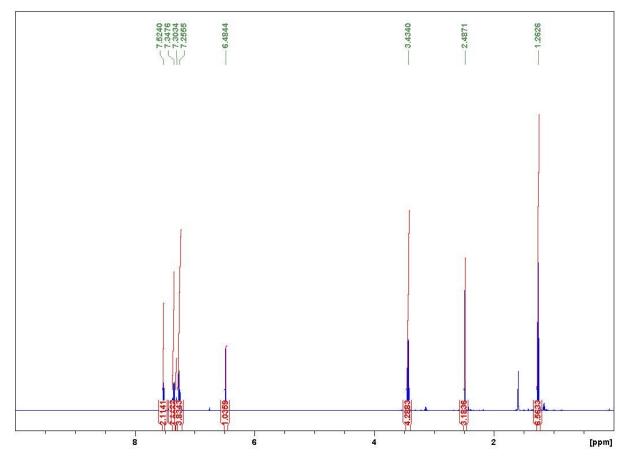


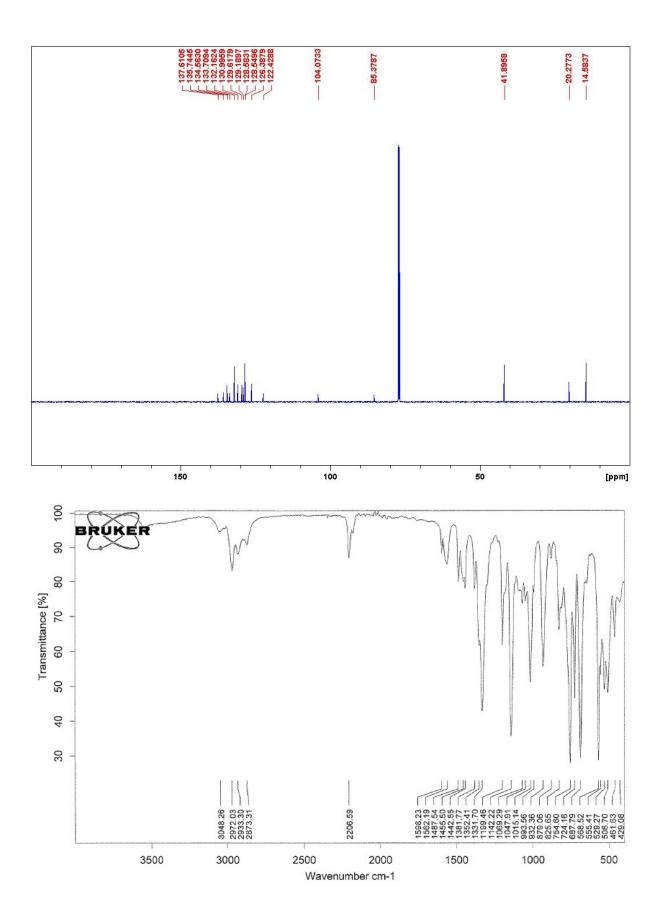


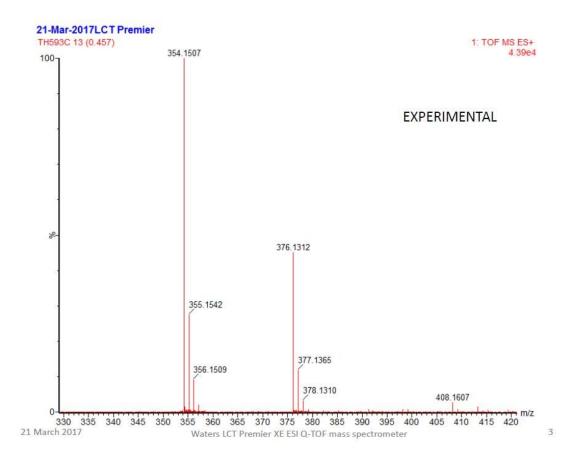


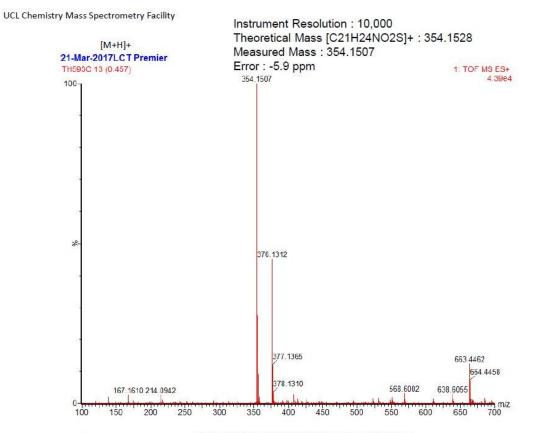
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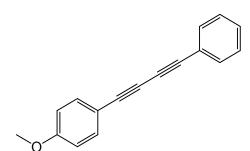


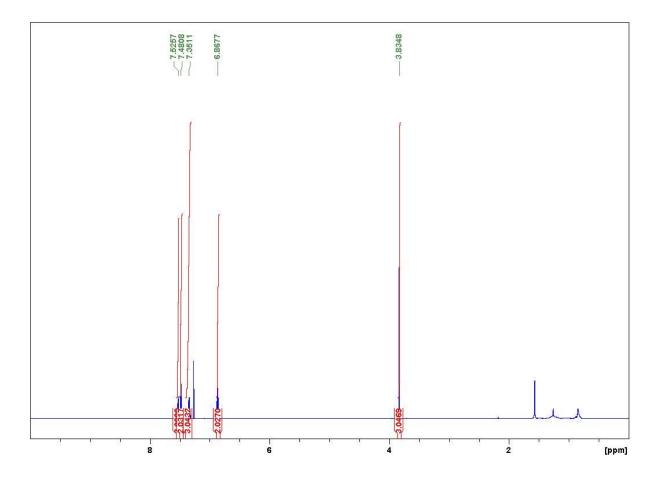
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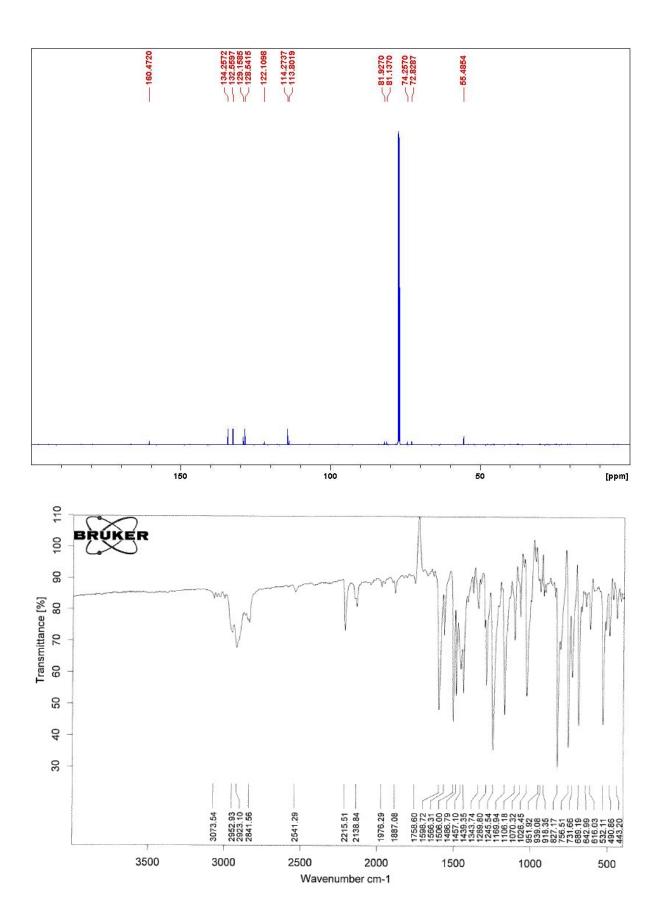
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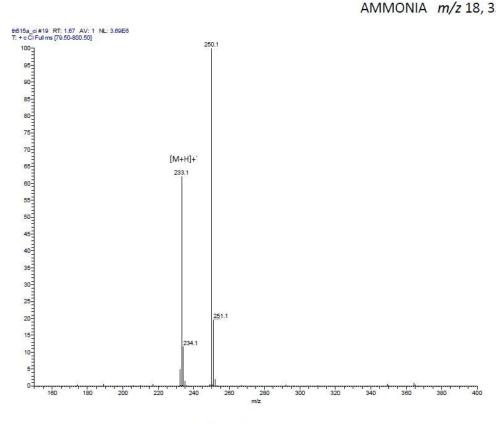
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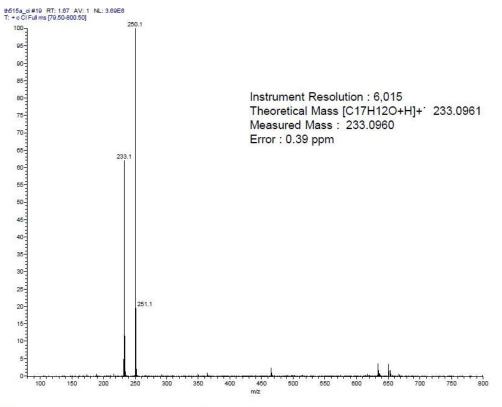






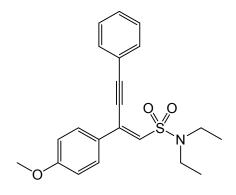
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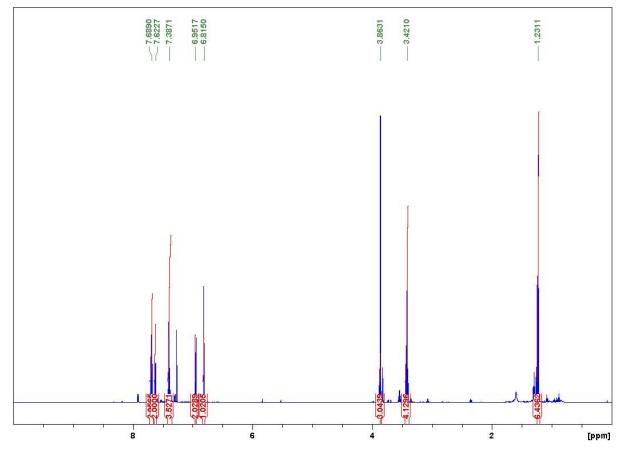


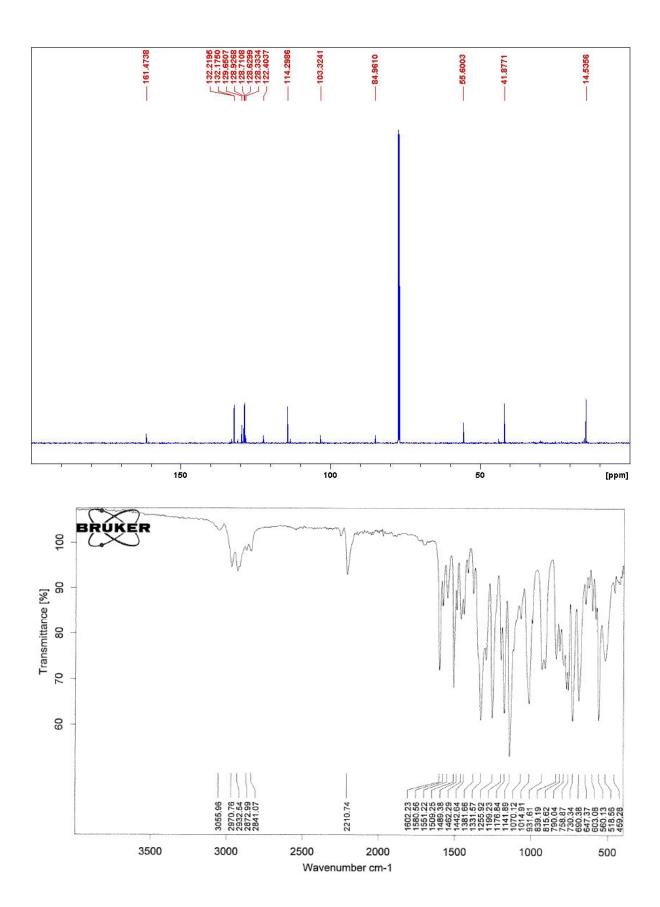


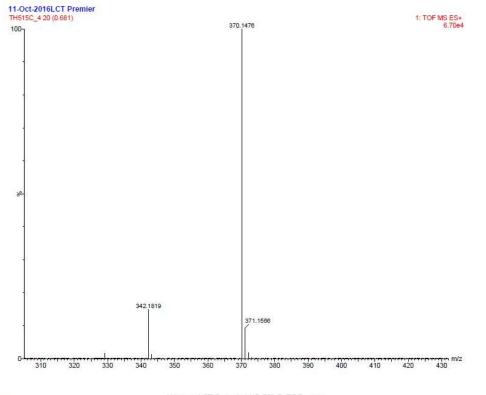
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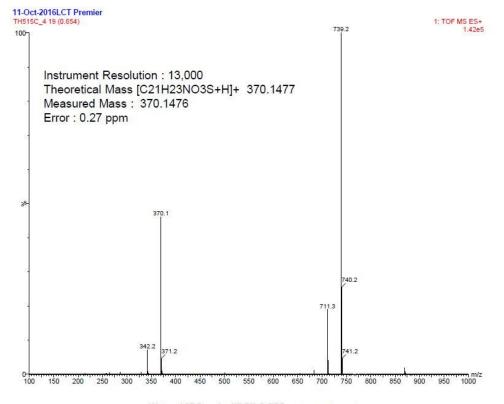






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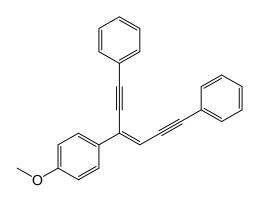
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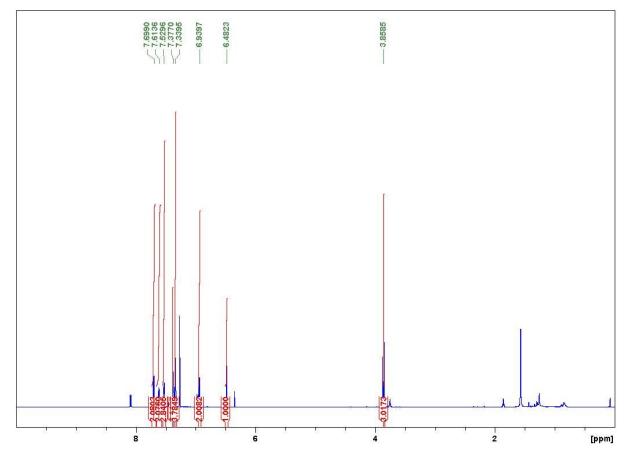


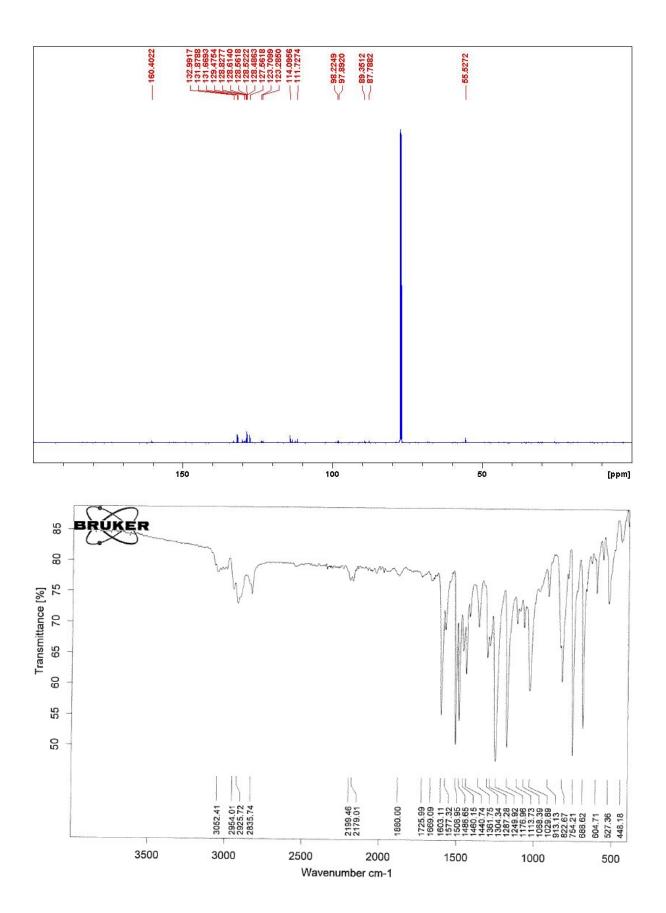
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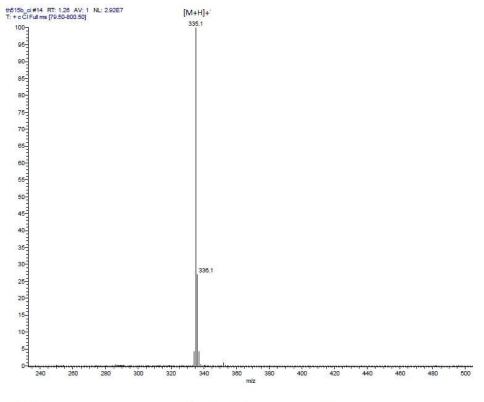
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(Z)-(3-(4-methoxyphenyl)hexa-3-en-1,5-diyne-1,6-diyl)dibenzene (36) - ¹H-NMR, ¹³C-NMR, IR, LRMS and HRMS

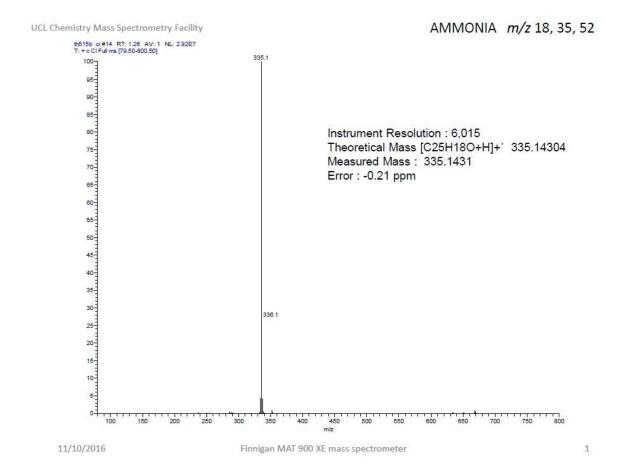




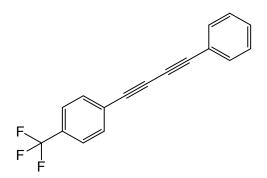


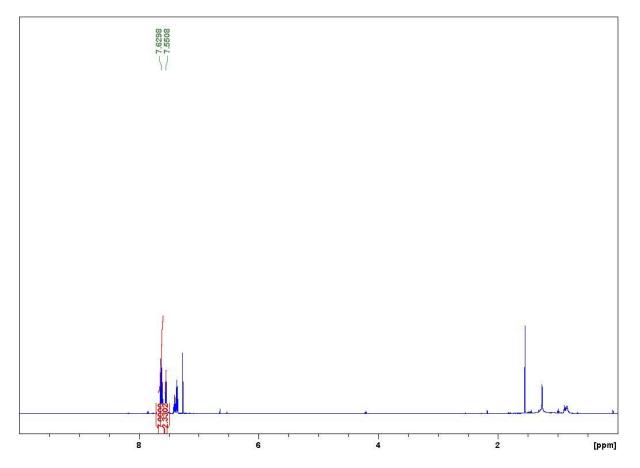


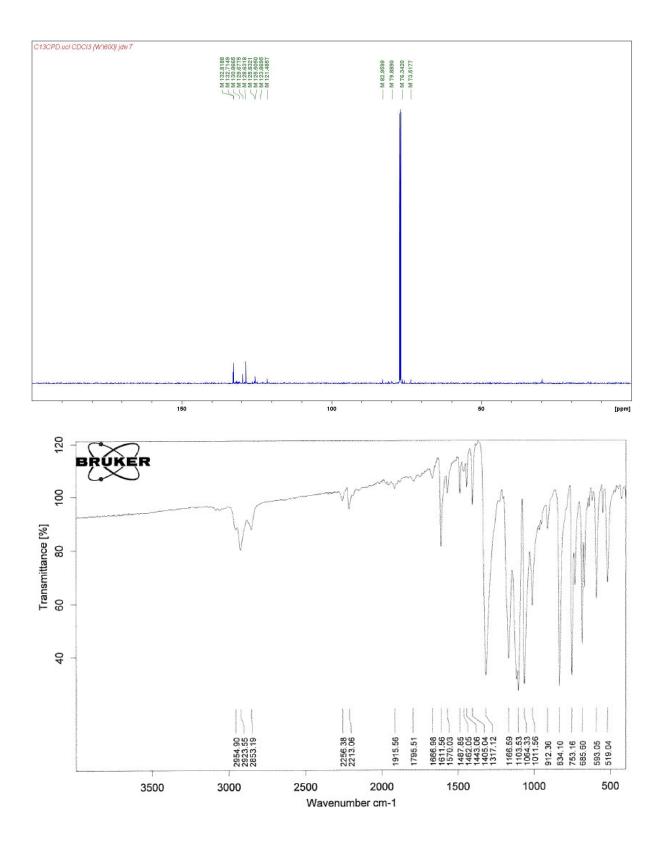
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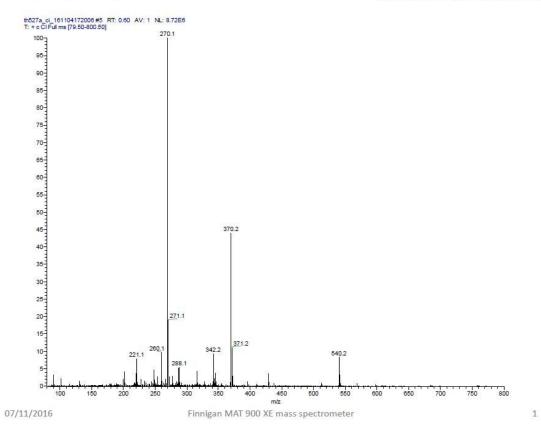


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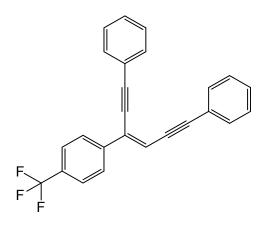


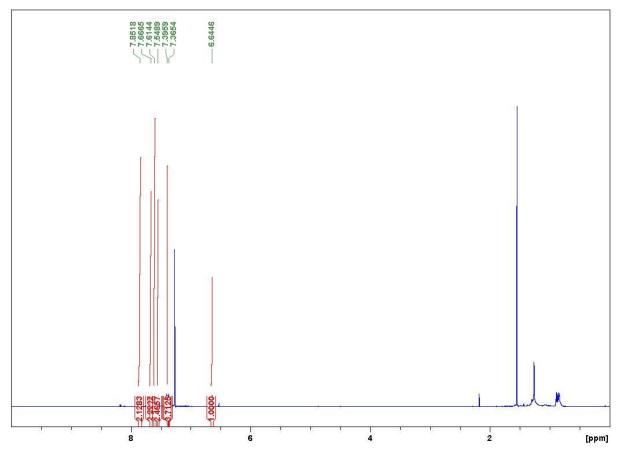


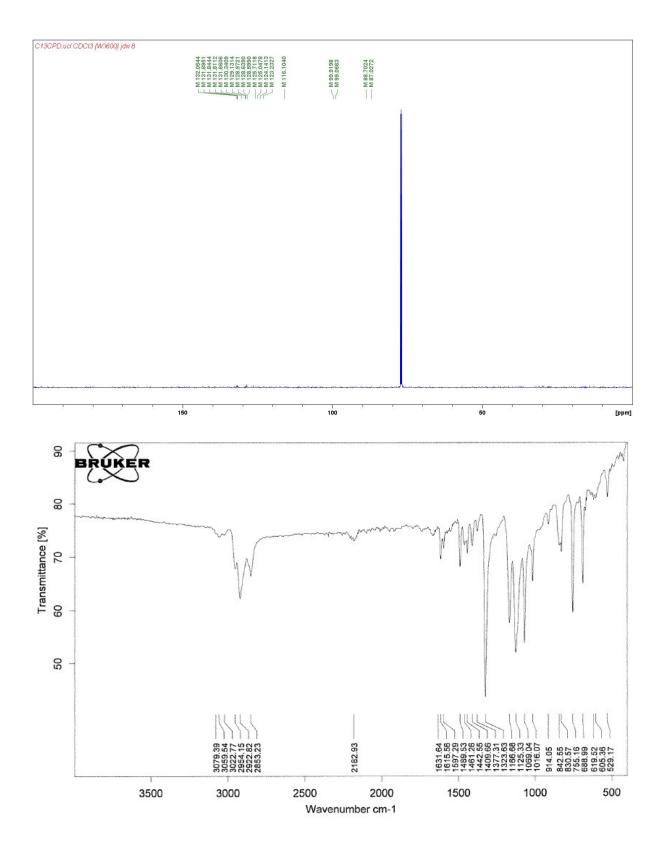


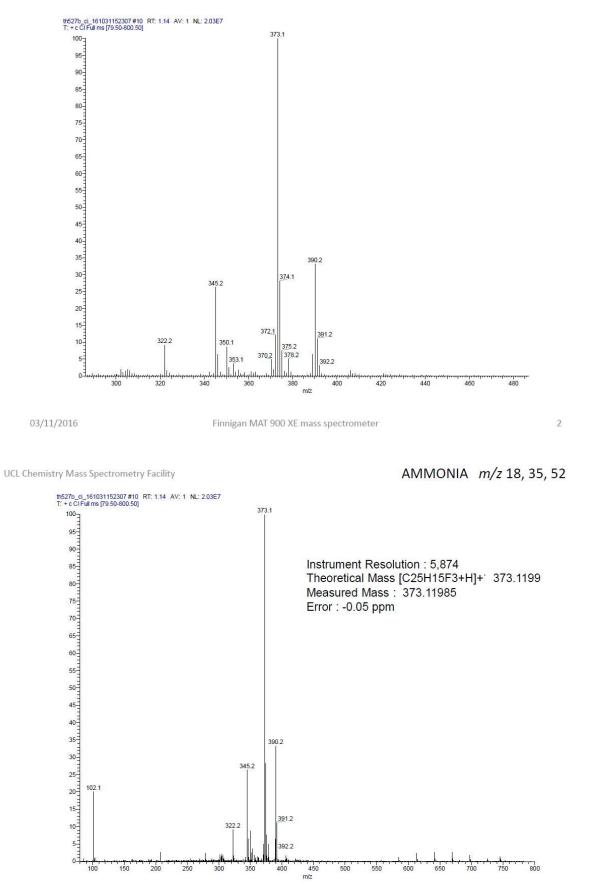


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