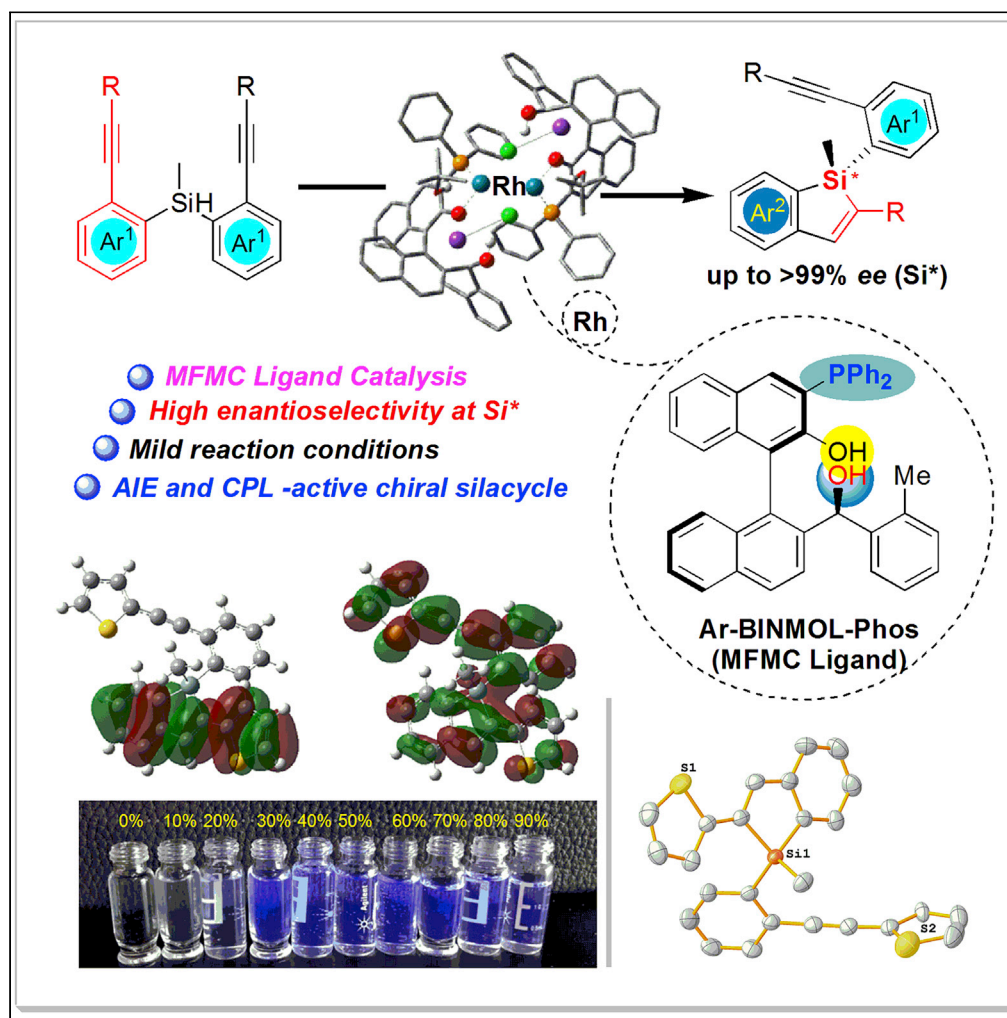


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HIGHLIGHTS

Precise and facile
construction of silicon-
stereogenic center by
desymmetrization

Highly enantioselective
Rh-catalyzed
hydrosilylation controlled
by MFMC P,O,O-ligand

Catalytic asymmetric
synthesis of AIE- and CPL-
active chiral Si-center
benzosiloles

The proposed mechanism
is supported by NMR and
kinetic studies

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SUMMARY

Chirality widely exists in a diverse array of biologically active molecules and life forms, and the catalytic constructions of chiral molecules have triggered a heightened interest in the fields of chemistry and materials and pharmaceutical sciences. However, the synthesis of silicon-stereogenic organosilicon compounds is generally recognized as a much more difficult task than that of carbon-stereogenic centers because of no abundant organosilicon-based chiral sources in nature. Herein, we reported a highly enantioselective rhodium-catalyzed *trans*-selective hydrosilylation of silicon-tethered bisalkynes to access chiral benzosiloles bearing a silicon-stereogenic center. This protocol featured with chiral Ar-BINMOL-Phos bearing hydrogen-bond donors as a privileged P-ligand for catalytic asymmetric hydrosilylation that is operationally simple and has 100% atom-economy with good functional group tolerability as well as high enantioselectivity (up to >99:1 *er*). Benefiting from the *trans*-selective hydrosilylation with the aid of Rh/Ar-BINMOL-Phos-based asymmetric catalysis, the Si-stereogenic benzosiloles exhibited pronounced aggregation-induced emission (AIE) and circularly polarized luminescence (CPL) activity.

INTRODUCTION

Silacycles are considered as a new kind of σ^* - π^* conjugated organic material with low-lying lowest unoccupied molecular orbital (LUMO) energy levels (Chen and Cao, 2007; Fu and Cheng, 2012; Zhao et al., 2015; Pop et al., 2019; Dhbaibi et al., 2019), deriving from the interaction between the σ^* orbital of two exocyclic silicon-carbon σ -bonds and the π^* orbital of the butadiene moiety (Yamaguchi and Tamao, 1996). As one of the most important types of silacycles, siloles exhibit unique electronic structure with low-lying LUMO level with intriguing optical and electronic properties due to high electron affinity and fast electron mobility, enabling them to function as luminescent core and electron transporters in optoelectronic devices (Tamao et al., 1996a, 1996b; Uchida et al., 2001; Son et al., 2009), such as organic light-emitting diodes (Chen et al., 2002; Cai et al., 2017; Nie et al., 2018), fluorescent bioprobes (Wu et al., 2010; Zhuang et al., 2017), chemosensors (Toal et al., 2005; Li et al., 2009; Dedeoglu et al., 2014), and circular polarized luminescence (CPL) (Liu et al., 2012; Ng et al., 2014a and 2014b; Li et al., 2016). Therefore, the development of practical methods for the synthesis of silole scaffolds is highly important in both synthetic and materials chemistry, which has attracted increasing attention (Ohmura et al., 2008; Matsuda et al., 2007; Ureshino et al., 2010; Liang et al., 2011; Shimizu et al., 2008; Zhao et al., 2012; Liang et al., 2012; Zhang et al., 2014 and 2015; Ilies et al., 2008; Tobisu et al., 2009; Onoe et al., 2012; Minami et al., 2017; Gimferrer et al., 2018; Yang et al., 2018). Especially, the construction of a stereogenic Si-center of siloles in a catalytic enantioselective manner is an appealing yet challenging task, although there have been some efforts for the catalytic synthesis of chiral Si-centers (Oestreich, 2007; Weickgenannt et al., 2010; Xu et al., 2011; Xu, 2012; Shintani, 2015; Tamao et al., 1996a, 1996b; Igawa et al., 2012; Naganawa et al., 2015; Zhan et al., 2018; Wen et al., 2018; Guo et al., 2019). In this regard, the catalytic enantioselective synthesis of silicon-stereogenic heterocycles have been achieved via Pd-catalyzed C-H arylation (Shintani et al., 2012) or amination (Sato et al., 2017) of prochiral 2-(arylsilyl)aryl triflates or Rh-catalyzed aromatic C-H silylation (Scheme 1A) (Kuninobu et al., 2013; Zhang et al., 2016, 2017). Moreover, the rhodium-catalyzed [2 + 2 + 2] cycloaddition of silicon-containing prochiral triynes with internal alkynes was also a facile approach to the construction of

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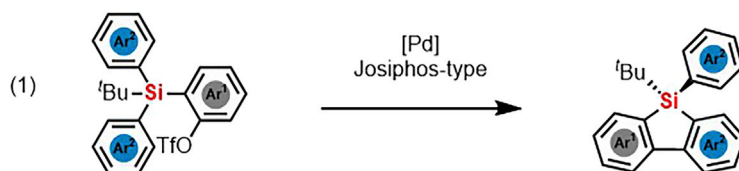
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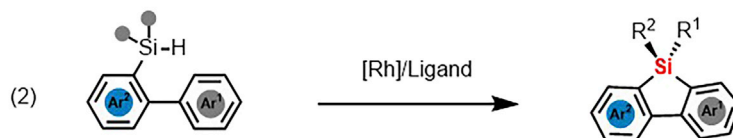
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A Previous work: Catalytic Enantioselective Synthesis of Si-stereogenic **dibenzosiloles**



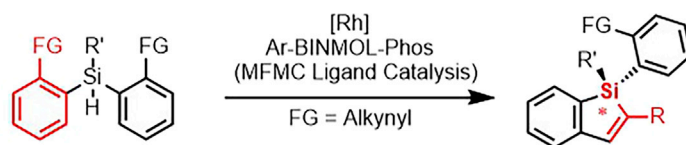
Shintani and Hayashi *et al.*, (2012)



Kuninobu *et al.*, [Rh]/(R)-BINAP (2013)

He *et al.*, [Rh]/(R)-TMS-segphos (2017)

B This work: Catalytic Enantioselective Synthesis of Si-stereogenic **benzosiloles**



- Multi-functional and Multi-center Ligand Catalysis
- High enantioselectivity at Si* (up to >99% ee)
- Aggregation-Induced Emission (AIE)-active
- Circularly Polarized Luminescence (CPL)-active



Scheme 1. Catalytic Enantioselective Synthesis of Silicon-Stereogenic Silole Analogues

(A) Previous reports on the catalytic asymmetric synthesis of silicon-stereogenic dibenzosiloles via C-H activation or silylations.

(B) Our strategy with MFMC ligand catalysis via Ar-BINMOL-Phos-controlled Rh-catalyzed intramolecular hydrosilylation to access silicon-stereogenic benzosiloles. MFMC is multi-functional and multi-center.

silicon-stereogenic DBS (Shintani *et al.*, 2015). All these methods mentioned above provided complementary processes to the preparation of enantio-enriched chiral DBS bearing a silicon-stereogenic center. However, the construction of Si-chirality on unsymmetrical benzosiloles (BS) via catalytic hydrosilylation is still unknown to date.

Very recently, we reported the catalytic asymmetric synthesis of sila-bicyclo[4.1.0]heptanes via palladium-catalyzed [4 + 2] annulation of cyclopropenes with benzosilacyclobutanes (Wang *et al.*, 2020), in which a variety of chiral bicyclic sila-heterocycle derivatives could be achieved with good enantioselectivity (up to 95.5:4.5 *er*). However, the construction of corresponding silacycles bearing a Si-stereogenic center is not successful in this reaction. Considering the powerful potential of rhodium catalysts for hydrosilylation of alkynes that can provide *E*- and *Z*-isomers depending on the precise nature of catalyst systems, substrates, and reaction conditions (Takeuchi and Tanouchi, 1993, 1994; Faller and D'Alliessi, 2002; Sato *et al.*, 2004; Mori *et al.*, 2004; Huckaba *et al.*, 2013; Mancano *et al.*, 2014; Diachenko *et al.*, 2015), we envisioned that the Rh-catalyzed intramolecular and *trans*-type hydrosilylation might open the door to the enantioselective Si-C bond-forming construction of silicon-stereogenic benzosiloles. Although the desymmetrization hydrosilylation of alkenes has been achieved to construct silicon-stereogenic center (Naganawa *et al.*, 2015), this reaction suffered limited substrate scope and imperfect enantioselectivity.

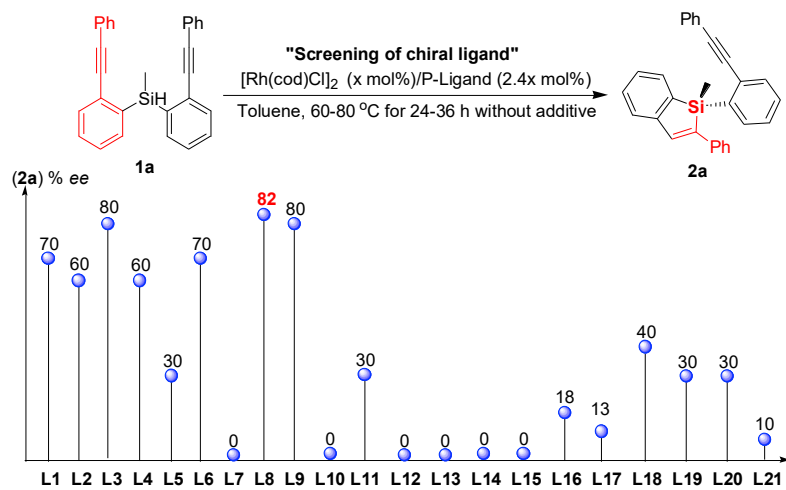
Comparably, the intramolecular hydrosilylation of Si-tethered bisalkynes is much challenging. This lack of available *trans*-selective methods with high enantioselectivity is presumably due to the difficulty in the chirality induction during desymmetrization of dihydrosilanes ($R^1R^2SiH_2$) or silicon-tethered bulky bisalkynes in catalytic asymmetric hydrosilylation. Herein, we reported such a *trans*-selective intramolecular hydrosilylation reaction with our strategy with Rh/Ar-BINMOL-Phos-based MFMC ligand catalysis (MFMC is multi-functional and multi-center) that can generate silicon-stereogenic siloles with good enantioselectivity (Scheme 1B). This P,O,O-ligand (Ar-BINMOL-Phos) -controlled approach affords a range of alkyne-substituted silicon-stereogenic siloles as potentially useful fluorescent probes from easily available alkynes and hydrosilanes. In addition, it should be noted that the extra alkynyl group on benzosiloles offered a potential functionalization with group transformations.

RESULTS

To construct the silicon-stereogenic BS via catalytic asymmetric hydrosilylation, we are confident that the Rh-catalyzed intramolecular and *trans*-type hydrosilylation would provide a robust and practical method to the synthesis of this type of alkynyl benzosiloles. Then we began our studies by examining the model hydrosilylation of Si-tethered bisalkyne **1a** using Rh catalysts. At 80°C in toluene, various phosphine ligands were evaluated in the [Rh(cod)Cl]₂-catalyzed intramolecular hydrosilylation (see Figure 1 and Table S1). Gratifyingly, most of our MFMC Ar-BINMOL-Phos (Song et al., 2014) gave silicon-stereogenic benzosilole **2a** in promising conversion (up to >99%) with moderate enantioselectivity (80:20 to 91:9 *er* in most cases) in the absence of any additives, demonstrating the good feasibility of this Rh-catalyzed hydrosilylation reaction with the aid of chiral P,O,O-ligand; especially, our Tao-Phos (**L3**) and methyl-substituted Ar-BINMOL-Phos (**L8**) (Song et al., 2015) gave the desired product **2a** with 89.5:10.5 *er* and 91:9 *er*, respectively. Notably, other phosphine ligands evaluated in this work, such as BINAP and Segphos, exhibited relatively low enantioselectivity (70:30 *er* as the best). Then with Tao-Phos in hand, we continued to optimize the reactions by changing rhodium precursors, additives, solvents, and temperature (for representative experimental data, see Tables S2–S4). And finally, the optimized reaction conditions were determined as follows (see Table 1, entry 1): [Rh(cod)Cl]₂ (5 mol%), Ar-BINMOL-Phos (*o*-Me) (12 mol%, simplified as **L8** in Supplemental Information), KOtBu (5 mol%), at 70°C. The corresponding product **2a** could be obtained in 95.5:4.5 *er*, albeit the decrease of isolated yield because of low and almost same polarity in comparison with that of starting material **1a**. As shown in Table 1, representative reaction results were also important to understand the challenging Rh-catalyzed intramolecular hydrosilylation. The effect of temperature (70°C or 80°C) on enantioselectivity is not obvious as imagined (entry 2). Under the optimized reaction conditions, other rhodium sources did not give better results in term of conversion and enantioselectivity (entry 3). To support the importance of three functional groups (P atom, chiral secondary alcohol, and phenol moiety) on the MFMC P,O,O-ligand (Ar-BINMOL-Phos), we investigated the effect of four representative ligands (**CL1–CL4**) on the conversion and enantioselectivity (entries 5–9). In sharp contrast, these P-ligands without additional chirality at the carbon of secondary alcohol (**CL1** and **CL4**) gave inferior enantioselectivity (88:12 *er* for **CL1** and 67:33 *er* for **CL4**, respectively, entries 6, 9). And more importantly, ligands **CL2** and **CL4** without secondary alcohol or phenol were not effective in the Rh-catalyzed hydrosilylation because of only moderate conversion (entries 7 and 9). Replacing two OHs (both secondary alcohol and phenol) with MOM and OBn, respectively, deactivated the catalyst (entry 8), probably because of strong hydrogen-bonding interaction between Rh/ligand and substrate. It is easy to understand that Ar-BINMOL without phosphine center is not suitable ligand, which supports the importance of P-atom in the coordination with Rh catalyst. In addition, KOtBu was proved to be an effective additive to promote the intramolecular hydrosilylation. As shown in Table 1 (entries 10–16), the use of other additives, including similar inorganic bases, resulted in inferior results in terms of conversion and enantioselectivity. In fact, we have also investigated the effect of the amount of KOtBu on the Rh-catalyzed intramolecular hydrosilylation of **1a** (Table S5). The experimental results showed that the hydrogen-bonding activation from free chiral secondary alcohol is beneficial to the activation of Rh catalyst because large amount of KOtBu could inhibit the hydrosilylation. To our delight, when cobalt and palladium catalysts instead of rhodium catalyst were used in this reaction under the same conditions, only a trace amount of product **2a** was detected, and poor enantioselectivity was observed in these experiments (entries 17–19).

With the optimized reaction conditions in hand, the substrate scope was next explored with respect to the variation of the silicon-tethered bisalkynes (Scheme 2). Si-linked bisalkynes with varied substitution patterns (Me, OMe, F, *i*-Pr, or *t*-Bu, etc.) could be smoothly converted to their corresponding hydrosilylation products in moderate to good yields (up to 87%) with high enantioselectivities (up to >99:1 *er*). Notably, this

A The comparable enantioselectivities for various P-ligands under the same reaction conditions



B The chemical structure of various P-ligands evaluated in this reaction

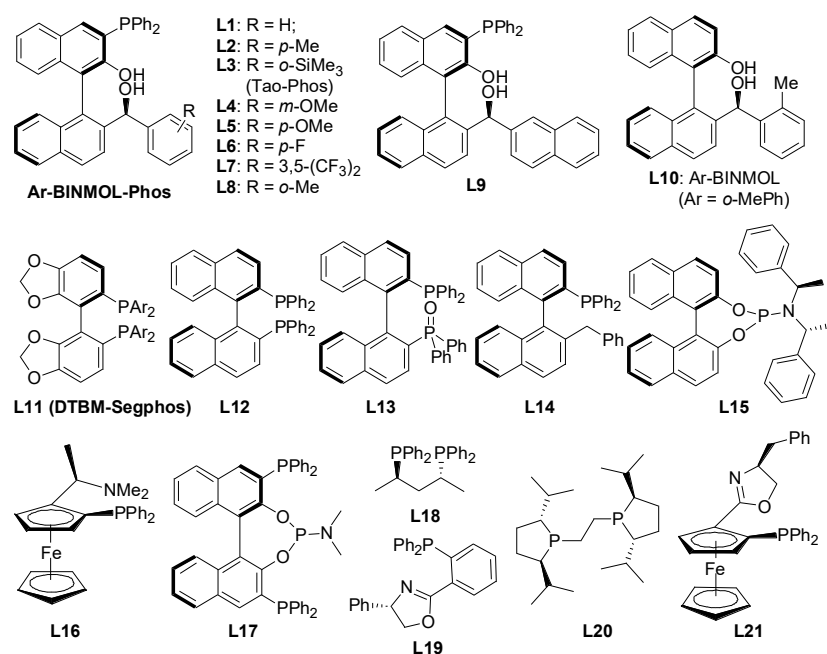


Figure 1. Representative Results on Enantioselectivity for Chiral Ligand-Controlled $[\text{Rh}(\text{cod})\text{Cl}]_2$ -Catalyzed Intramolecular Hydrosilylation

(A) The comparable enantioselectivities for various P-ligands (L1-L21) under the same reaction conditions (without any additive and no optimization of reaction conditions).

(B) The chemical structure of various P-ligands (L1-L21) evaluated in this reaction.

potassium-assisted Rh-catalyzed hydrosilylation reaction worked well with various types of substrates with electron-neutral, electron-withdrawing or electron-donating groups, having little influence on the Si-centered stereochemistry. When small ring or S-containing heterocycle-substituted bisalkynes were employed, the reaction also worked well under Rh/Ar-BINMOL-Phos catalyst system. For example, the hydrosilylation of **1r** proved to be highly enantioselective (93.5:6.5 *er*) with good yield (75%), and the cyclopropyl group linked with the terminal position of alkyne on substrate **1q** or **1t** resulted in the corresponding alkenyl silane **2q** or **2t** in good yield with high *er* value, respectively. In addition, the *ortho*-substituted group did not block the intramolecular hydrosilylation, as evidenced by the reaction of **1n** to

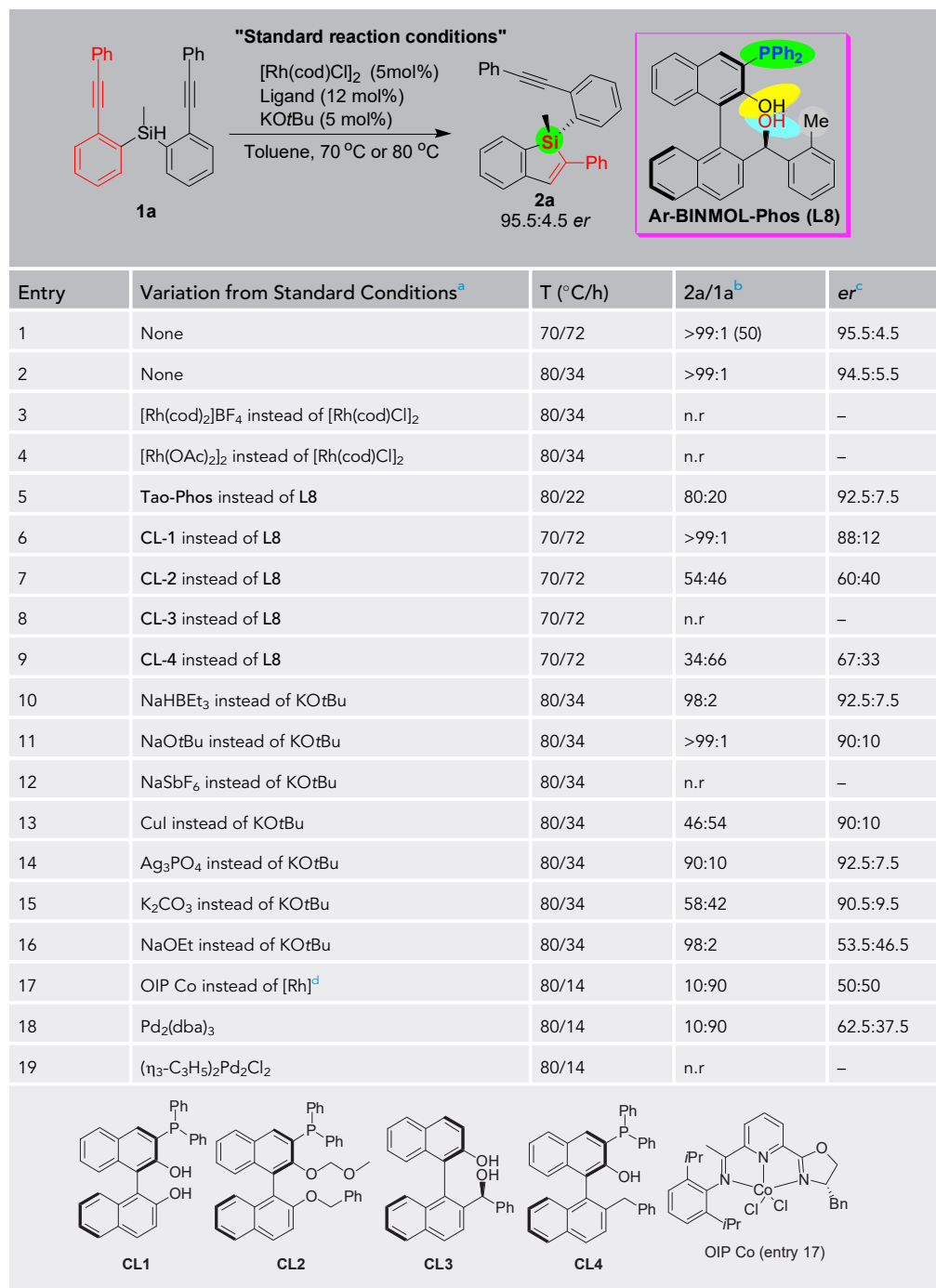


Table 1. Optimization of Reaction Conditions for Rh-catalyzed Desymmetric Hydrosilylation of Bisalkyne 1a

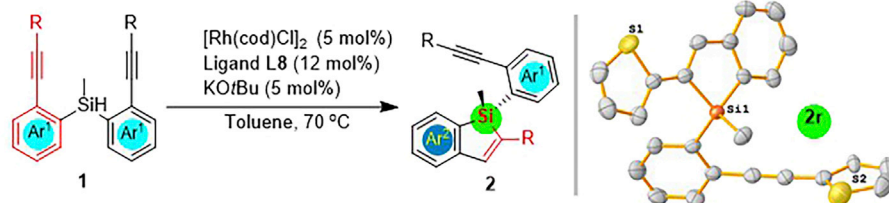
^aUnless otherwise noted, the standard reaction conditions were as follows: **1a** (0.2 mmol), and solvent (2.0 mL). The structure of Tao-Phos with *o*-trimethylsilyl group is different from that of *o*-methyl substituent on phenyl ring (**L8**), the conversion is >99% for a family of Ar-BINMOL-Phos.

^bIt was difficult to isolate the product **2a** from the reaction mixture if the reaction was not completed because of the same polarity of **2a** and the starting material **1a**. The ratio of **2a/1a** was determined by HPLC. n.r. = no reaction.

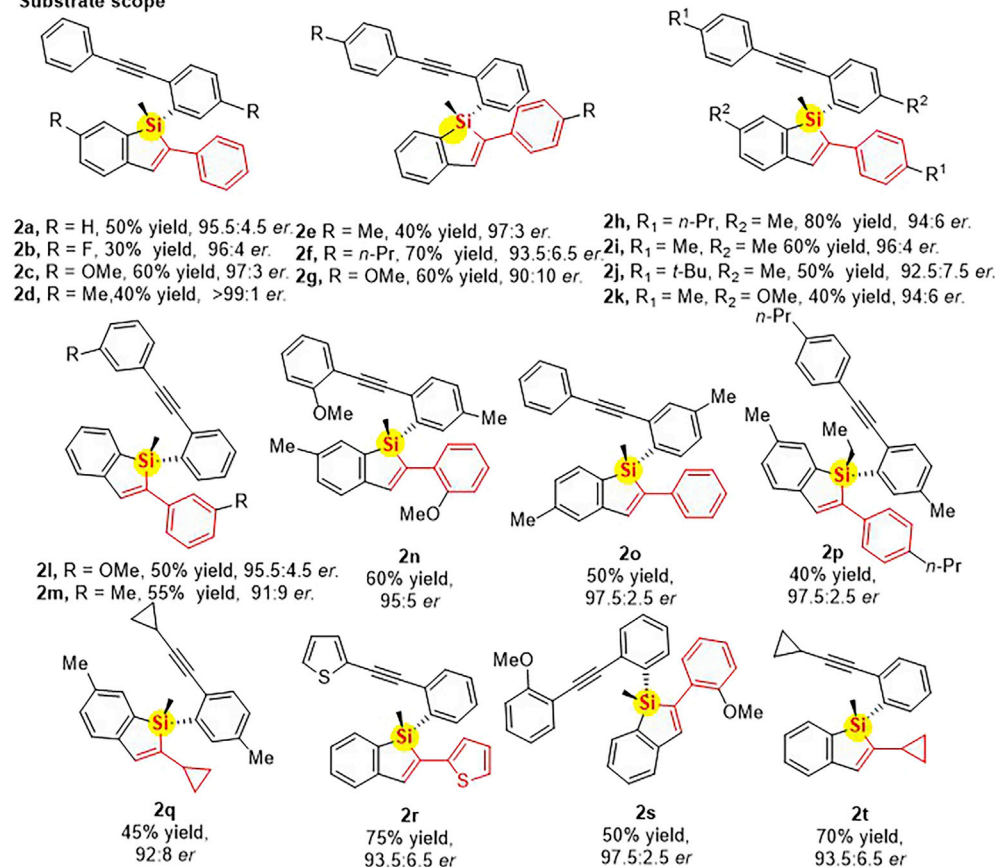
^cThe *er* value of **3a** was determined by chiral HPLC analysis.

^dThe catalyst OIP Co complex was used instead of [Rh(cod)Cl]₂/Ar-BINMOL-Phos catalyst system.

A Optimized reaction conditions with proposed model for Ar-BINMOL-Phos Ligand catalysis



B Substrate scope



Scheme 2. Scope of MFMC Ar-BINMOL-Phos (L8)-controlled Rh-catalyzed Intramolecular Hydro-silylation of Si-Tethered Bisalkynes

(A) The optimized reaction conditions for the Ar-BINMOL-Phos-based MFMC ligand catalysis based on the experimental results.

(B) Substrate scope for the *trans*-selective hydro-silylation driven by the MFMC Ar-BINMOL-Phos ligand-controlled desymmetrization of bisalkynes.

2n with 60% yield and 95:5 *er*. The same level of experimental result was also provided by the intramolecular hydro-silylation reaction of Si-linked bisalkyne **1s**, giving the corresponding **2s** with 50% yield and 97.5:2.5 *er*. When the methyl group on silicon atom was replaced by ethyl group, the reaction was also proven to be enantioselective and gave the desired benzosilole **2p** in 97.5:2.5 *er*, albeit with some yield loss in comparison with that of methyl-substituted **2h** (80% yield, 94:6 *er*). Unfortunately, it was found that another bulky group on silicon center, such as *t*-Bu and phenyl, was not suitable for the construction of their corresponding benzosiloles because of the steric hindrance. Notably, the configuration of the silicon-stereogenic alkynyl benzosiloles (**2r**) was confirmed by X-ray diffraction pattern (Figure S1). Notably, these compounds were very stable for a long period of time (0.5 year), and its *ee* value was not changed after reflux in toluene for several days.

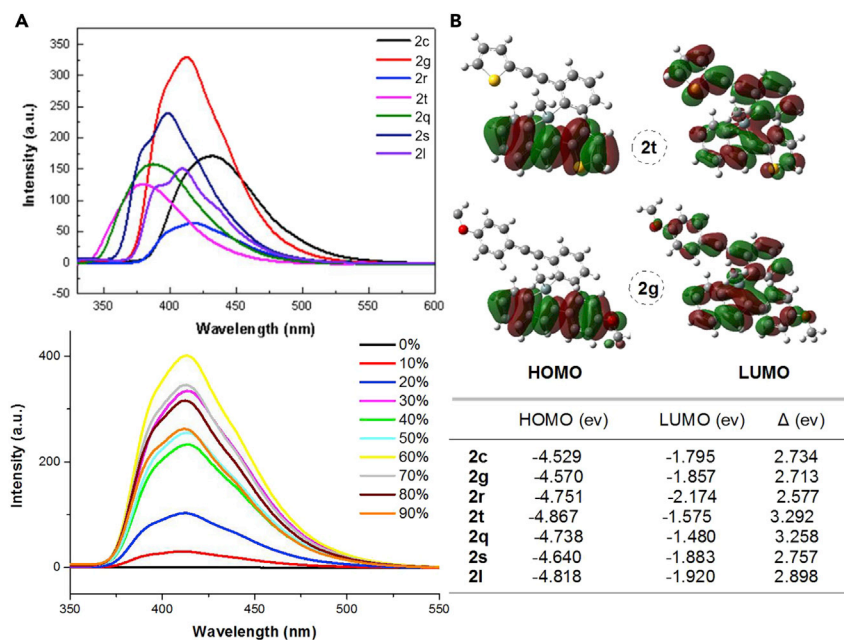


Figure 2. The Fluorescence Property of Silicon-Stereogenic Benzosiloles

(A) Left: Fluorescence spectra (top) of seven representative and enantioenriched benzosiloles and AIE phenomenon of benzosilole **2g**, the fluorescence emission spectra of **2g** (5 μ M) was achieved in THF/water mixtures (fw = 0% to 90%). λ_{ex} = 300 nm, λ_{es} = 550 nm.

(B) Right: Molecular orbital diagrams of HOMO and LUMO of **2t** and **2g**, and the energy levels of HOMO and LUMO with their difference (ΔE) of representative benzosiloles shown in this table.

Then, the further investigation of such alkynyl benzosiloles as optical material was highly attractive. The fluorescence property of benzosiloles (BS) was subsequently evaluated using **2c**, **2g**, **2r**, **2t**, **2q**, **2s**, and **2l** as candidates. As shown in Figure 2, the BS emission was enhanced by the introduction of electron-donating group (-OMe) on the aromatic ring, and *p*-OMe substituted BS **2g** exhibited a very distinctive behavior. The highest occupied molecular orbital (HOMO)-LUMO data might be useful information to distinguish the structural difference. Thus, we then checked the aggregation-induced emission (AIE) property of **2g** according to the standard method (Zhou et al., 2019). As expected, the benzosilole **2g** showed a blue fluorescence color when the water fraction was above 30% in the THF-water mixture (Figure S7 of Supporting Information). Notably, the relationship of AIE and chirality was also evaluated and it was found that there is no obvious effect for the fluorescence intense.

The phenomenon of circularly polarized luminescence (CPL) has attracted considerable attention owing to its wide applications in various research fields (Gao et al., 2019). Therefore, the circular dichroism (CD) and CPL analyses were next performed at 300 nm to evaluate the Si-centered chirality. To our delight, in the test of benzosilole **2g**, intensive CPL signs were observed in this case (Figure S8). We anticipated that CPL effect of benzosilole augments its great potential of enantioselective Rh-catalyzed intramolecular hydrosilylation of bisalkynes in the development of a CPL-active material linked with silole backbone.

DISCUSSION

In metal-catalyzed hydrosilylation (Zarnek and Pawluc, 2018; Wen et al., 2019), including the Rh catalysts (Sakaki et al., 2002; Wu et al., 2013 and 2014; Doyle et al., 1991; Sanada et al., 2006; Morales-Ceron et al., 2017) employed for alkyne hydrosilylation, cationic metal complexes usually give predominately (*E*)-isomer depending on the precise nature of substrates and reaction conditions (Ojima et al., 1990; Trost and Ball, 2005; Ding et al., 2013). In this work, we believed the Rh-catalyzed alkyne *trans*-hydrosilylation reactions are similar to that of previous reports (Ojima et al., 1990; Matsuda and Ichioka, 2012; Crabtree, 2003) on the isomerization of the M-vinyl complex intermediate to the less sterically congested isomer via an η^2 -vinyl metal species. In addition, to understand what makes Rh/Ar-BINMOL-Phos (**L8**) a successful catalyst in

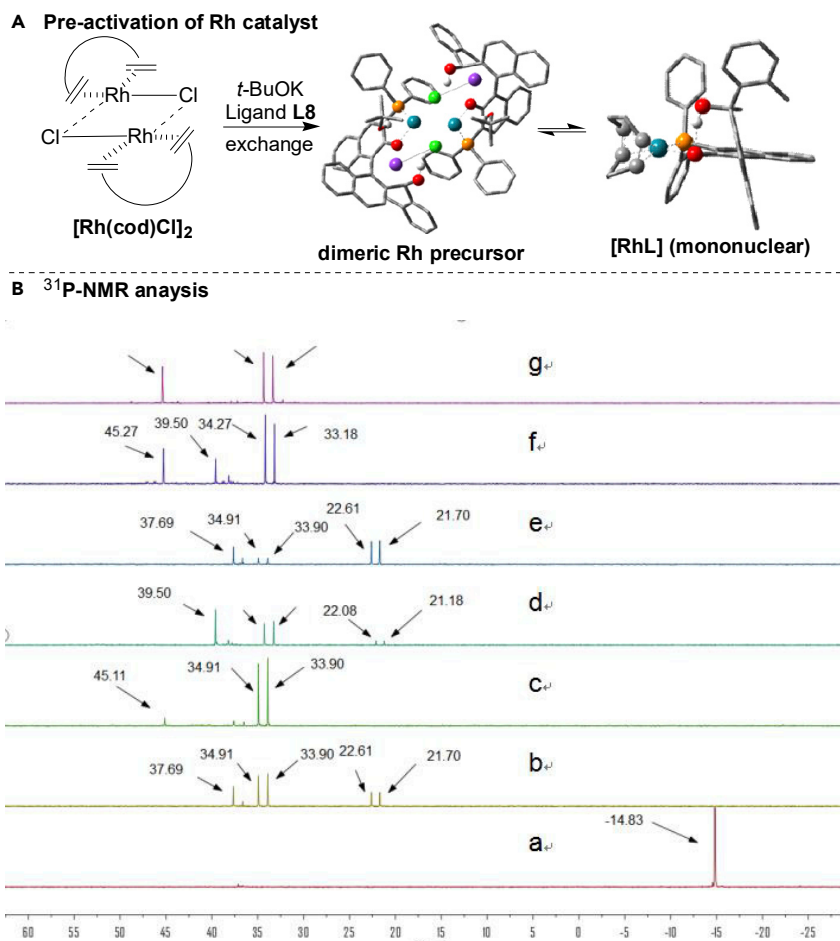


Figure 3. The Structural Analysis of the Active Rh Species by ^{31}P NMR

(A) The illustrative view of the *in situ* formed dimeric Rh complex and mononuclear Rh complex from $[\text{Rh}(\text{cod})\text{Cl}]_2$ and Ar-BINMOL-Phos L8 in CDCl_3 .

(B) Comparison of ^{31}P NMR of ligand and Rh complex. (a) only L8, a single peak at -14.83 ppm; (b) mixture of $[\text{Rh}(\text{cod})\text{Cl}]_2$ and L8 (5 min), two double peaks for the Rh/Ar-BINMOL-Phos complex appeared at 22.16 ppm with $^1J_{\text{P-Rh}} = 183$ Hz and 34.40 ppm with $^1J_{\text{P-Rh}} = 204$ Hz, and another single peak appeared at 37.69 ppm, respectively; (c) mixture of L8 and $[\text{Rh}(\text{cod})\text{Cl}]_2$ (20 min), the double peak at 22.16 ppm disappeared, and another single peak appeared at 45.11 ppm; (d) mixture of substrate **1a**, L8 and $[\text{Rh}(\text{cod})\text{Cl}]_2$ (20 min), a new and single peak appeared at 39.50 ppm; (e) mixture of L8, KOtBu, and $[\text{Rh}(\text{cod})\text{Cl}]_2$ (5 min); (f) mixture of L8, KOtBu, and $[\text{Rh}(\text{cod})\text{Cl}]_2$ (20 min); (g) mixture of L8, KOtBu, $[\text{Rh}(\text{cod})\text{Cl}]_2$, and substrate **1a** (20 min), a double peak appeared at 33.72 ppm with $^1J_{\text{P-Rh}} = 220$ Hz and a single peak with 45.27 ppm.

the desymmetrization of Si-linked bisalkynes via hydrosilylation, its structure was examined by ^{31}P -NMR and ESI-MS (see Figure 3, and for ^{31}P -NMR analysis, see Figure 3B, and others see Figures S3–S5). And these experimental results indicate that the various types of Rh/L8 complexes might be *in situ* formed in this reaction, and a dimeric Rh catalyst comprising a dirhodium core is a possible and active species in the pre-activation process (Meißner et al., 2015a, 2015b; Mannu et al., 2018), which generated through dissociation of cod (1,5-cyclooctadiene) with two coordinating phosphorous centers from Ar-BINMOL-Phos ligands. It is generally accepted that treatment of $[\text{Rh}(\text{cod})\text{Cl}]_2$ with diphosphine ligands smoothly affords neutral μ_2 -bridged dimeric/dinuclear rhodium complexes (Meißner et al., 2015a, 2015b); thus, accordingly, the μ_2 -bridged dimeric Rh complex is formed probably in the reaction mixtures (the double peaks appeared probably at 33 – 34 ppm with $^1J_{\text{P-Rh}} = 204$ or 220 Hz in Figure 3B). However, it is difficult to confirm the true structure of dimeric Rh/L8 complex that formed in the pre-activation stage by NMR analysis. Furthermore, the *in situ* analysis of reaction mixtures with ESI-MS and NLE (Satyanarayana et al., 2009) and kinetic study (Figure 4) showed the mononuclear complex with single Rh(I) catalytic center with one ligand acted probably as majorly active species during the full reaction process. In addition, the stable

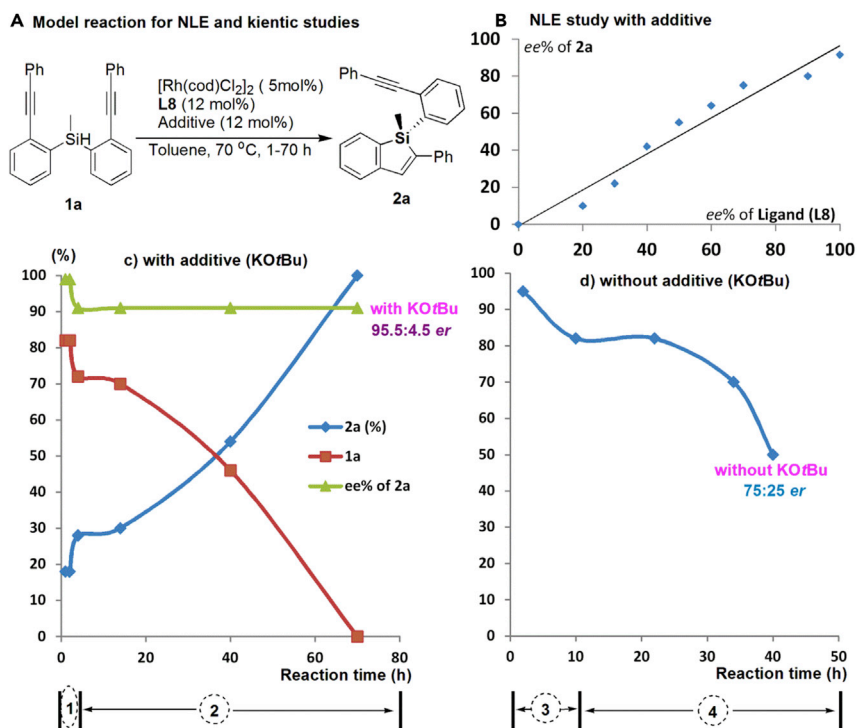


Figure 4. Experimental Results for Relationship of ee_{prod}/ee_{ligand} and the Reaction Rate and Enantioselectivity Data with or without KOtBu

(A) The model reaction with intramolecular hydrosilylation of 1a under the optimized reaction conditions.

(B) The NLE result revealed that a mononuclear complex structure with single Rh(I) catalytic center with one ligand acted probably as the true active species.

(C) KOtBu-activated Rh catalysis. There are two stages (before and after 5 h, respectively) for catalytic cycles in the Rh-catalyzed hydrosilylation that detected by ee values and reaction rate under the optimized reaction conditions.

(D) Without KOtBu as additive. When no use of KOtBu for this reaction, the corresponding ee value gradually decreases with reaction time.

P/O-coordination of Ar-BINMOL-Phos with $[Rh(cod)Cl]_2$ to give mononuclear Rh complex is supported by ^{31}P -NMR spectra data in which the related ^{31}P signal of such stable mononuclear Rh complex was observed at 41 ppm (Rani et al., 2008).

It should be noted that the potassium *tert*-butoxide (KOtBu) played an important role in the *in situ* formation of the active Rh species to promote the catalytic asymmetric hydrosilylation. As shown in Figure 4, the absence of KOtBu led to decreased enantioselectivity (only 75:25 er), in which the negative result revealed reaction between KOtBu and chiral ligand L8 could form a more stable mononuclear rhodium catalyst that is responsible for the high level of enantioselective induction shown in Figure 4C. When the reaction was performed without KOtBu, enantioselectivity (ee value of 2a) of the same intramolecular hydrosilylation was gradually decreased with time because of irreversible reactions of the active dimeric Rh catalyst with substrate in the catalytic cycle. And notably, excess amount of KOtBu (>24 mol%) decreased the enantioselectivity and much more amount of KOtBu (>36 mol%) inhibited the catalytic activities of all the Rh species reaction to result in almost no reaction. These results provided an indirect evidence for the importance of the chiral secondary alcohol of Ar-BINMOL-Phos (L8) in the enhancement of enantioselectivity and catalytic activity of Rh complex.

Therefore, based on the experimental results and related NMR and ESI-MS analysis, we proposed a reaction mechanism for the asymmetric Rh-catalyzed hydrosilylation (Figure 5). It is expected that the dirhodium core in the chlorine-bridged dimeric rhodium precursor is easily broken by a proton abstraction reaction with ligand L8, releasing HCl with the aid of KOtBu and generating mononuclear precursor complex MO. The cod ligand in the four-coordinated neutral Rh(I) complex will further be replaced by the substrate and leads to an Rh intermediate, in which the alkenyl group and Si-H group of substrate is

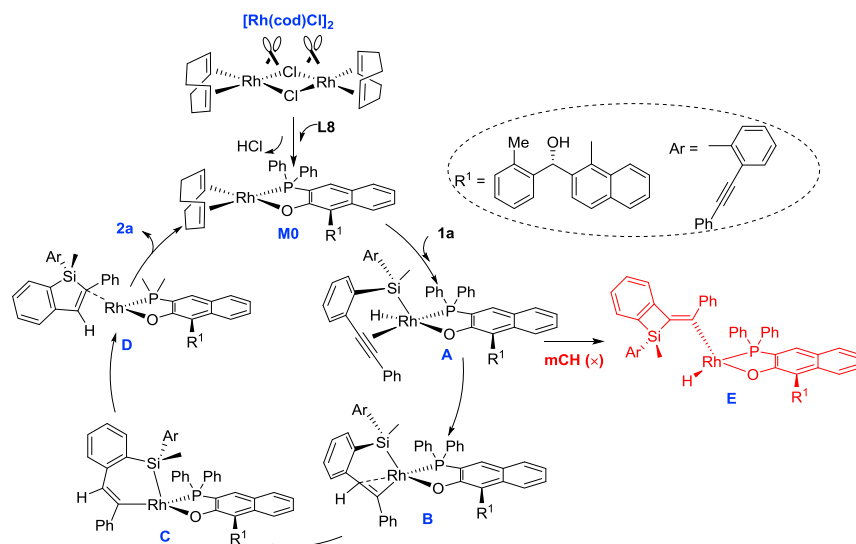


Figure 5. A Proposed Catalytic Cycle for Rh(I)/L8 Complex-Catalyzed Intramolecular Hydrosilylation with Monoalkyne as a Model Substrate

coordinated to the Rh center in η^2 and η^1 manner. Then the Rh intermediate underwent Si-H oxidative addition to form a five-coordinated Rh(III) intermediate **A**. The pre-coordinated alkynyl group is exactly the one to proceed migratory insertion, followed by the Si-H oxidative addition. That is, the two symmetric alkynyl groups in **1a** have already been discriminated during the formation of this precursor complex **B**, in which the reactive alkynyl group and Si-H group linked to the Rh center in enantioselective manner. And then the subsequent process is only related to the Z/E-selectivity but not the enantioselectivity. Similarly to previous Ru catalysis for the trans-selective hydrosilylation of alkynes (Ding et al., 2013), **B** can be further isomerized to the more stable **C** (metallacyclohexene intermediate). At this time, the H atom is completely inverted to the *trans* position, and the alkenyl group is at the *trans* position of the O-ligand. For the origin of stereoselective induction of such rhodium catalyst, more theoretic studies would be continuously undergoing in our laboratory to gain much more accurate understanding of the hydrosilylation reaction mechanism.

Conclusion

In summary, we accomplished a highly enantioselective Rh-catalyzed intramolecular and *trans*-type hydrosilylation of silicon-tethered bisalkynes, which provided a practical approach to the construction of AIE and CPL-active benzosiloles bearing silicon-stereogenic center. For this purpose, our chiral Ar-BINMOL-Phos bearing hydrogen-bond donors could be efficiently used as a privileged MFMC P,O,O-ligand in the desymmetrization process of silicon-tethered bisalkynes. The reaction is operationally robust and atom-economic with good functional group tolerability as well as high enantioselectivity (up to >99:1 *er*) with the aid of Rh/Ar-BINMOL-Phos-based MFMC ligand catalysis. More specially, the use of the basic additive KOtBu is crucial to maintaining of high level of enantioselectivity in this reaction because the catalytic amount KOtBu is responsible for the formation of active Rh/L8 complex. Although the true reaction mechanism for the stereoselective induction of Rh catalyst system is still unclear, the highly enantioselective synthesis of chiral benzosiloles and corresponding construction of silicon-stereogenic center by desymmetric hydrosilylation opens a great opportunity to create the next generation of organosilicon material or possibly better targeted Si-containing biologically active molecules that bring silicon to material and life (Kan et al., 2016). At present, the DFT calculation studies are undergoing in our laboratory to gain a more accurate understanding of the mechanism of *trans*-selective hydrosilylation and will be reported elsewhere. In addition, the reactive alkyne groups as side chains in the silicon-stereogenic benzosiloles are expected to undergo further functionalization and hold promise for synthesis of conjugate polymers or cross-linked materials.

Limitations of the Study

Terminal alkynes were not applicable in the construction of silicon-stereogenic benzosiloles by the intramolecular hydrosilylation. And the reaction mechanism and the origin of enantioselectivity that is controlled by the Ar-BINMOL-Phos need to be clarified in more reliable manner.

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No unique reagents or no restrictions to the availability of chemicals.

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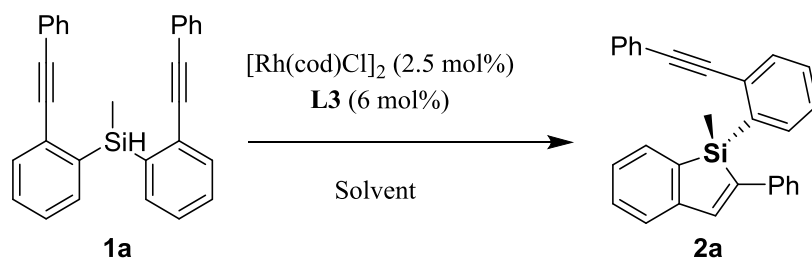
More details for reaction condition optimization:

Table S1. Optimization of reaction conditions by screening of chiral ligands. ^[a]
Related to Figure 1.

Entry	Rh (X mol%)	Ligand	Temp (°C)	Time (h)	2a/1a ^[b]	er (%) ^[c]
1	2.5	L1	80	36	>99:1	85:15
2	2.5	L2	80	34	60:40	80:20
3	10	L3	60	24	80:20	90:10
4	2.5	L4	80	34	62:38	80:20
5	2.5	L5	80	34	94:6	70:40
6	2.5	L6	80	36	54:46	85:15
7	2.5	L7	80	36	60:40	50:50
8	2.5	L8	80	34	60:40	85:15
9	2.5	L9	80	34	70:30	87.5:12.5
10	2.5	L10	80	36	60:40	50:50
11	10	L11	60	24	-	65:35
12	10	L12	60	24	-	50:50
13	2.5	L13	80	36	20:80	50:50
14	10	L14	60	24	-	50:50
15	10	L15	60	24	-	50:50
16	10	L16	60	24	-	59:41
17	10	L17	60	24	-	56:44
18	10	L18	60	24	-	70:30
19	10	L19	60	24	-	65:35
20	10	L20	60	24	-	65:35
21	2.5	L21	80	24	10:90	55:45
22	5	L9	80	24	76:24	90:10
23	5	L8	80	24	82:18	91:9

[a] Reaction conditions: **1a** (0.2 mmol), [Rh(cod)Cl]₂ (10 mol%), and solvent (1 mL) at 60-80 °C. [b] The ratio of **2a/1a** was determined by HPLC. [c] The er value was determined by chiral HPLC.

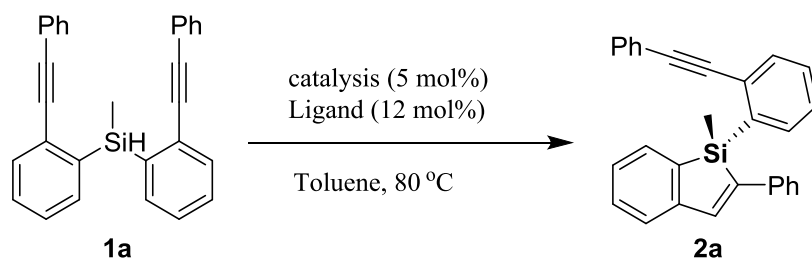
Table S2. Optimization of reaction conditions by screening of solvents.^[a] Related to Figure 1.



Entry	Solvent	Temp (°C)	Time (h)	2a/1a ^[b]	er (%) ^[c]
1	Dioxane	70	36	NR	-
2	CH ₃ CN	70	36	-	50:50
3	Ethanol	70	36	NR	-
4	THF	70	36	-	77.5:25.5
5	DCE	70	36	NR	50:50
6	Benzene	80	22	>99:1	91:9
7	<i>m</i> -Xylene	80	22	>99:1	90:10
8	<i>p</i> -Xylene	80	22	80:20	85:15
9	<i>o</i> -Xylene	80	22	94:6	82.5:17.5
10	Toluene	70	24	80:20	90:10
11	1,2,4-Trimethylbenzene	80	22	88:12	90:10

[a] Reaction conditions: **1a** (0.2 mmol), [Rh(cod)Cl]₂ (10 mol%), and solvent (1 mL) at 70-80 °C. [b] Determined by HPLC. [c] The er value was determined by chiral HPLC with a chiral stationary phase.

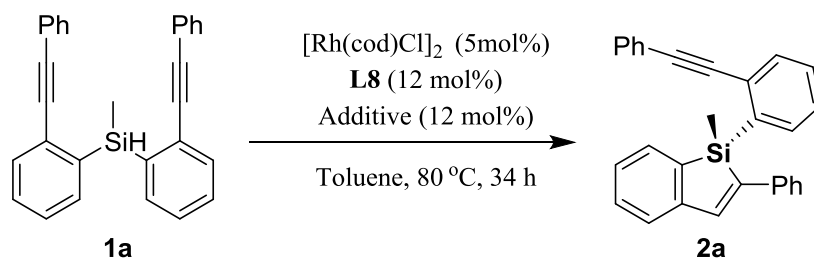
Table S3. Evaluation of catalytic activity of transition-metal catalysts. ^[a] Related to Table 1.



Entry	Catalyst	Ligand	Time (h)	2a/1a ^[b]	er (%) ^[c]
1	[RhCl(C ₂ H ₂) ₂] ₂	L3	34	NR	-
2	[(C ₆ H ₅) ₃ P] ₃ RhCl	L3	34	NR	-
3	Rh ₂ (OOCCH ₃) ₄	L3	34	NR	-
4	[Rh(cod) ₂] ₂ BF ₄	L3	34	NR	-
5	[Rh(OAc) ₂] ₂	L3	34	NR	-
6	[Rh(nbd) ₂] ₂ Cl ₂	L3	34	NR	-
7	Rh(CO) ₂ (C ₃ H ₇ O ₂)	L3	34	NR	-
8	RhCl ₂ (CO) ₄	L3	34	NR	-
9	(η ³ -C ₃ H ₅) ₂ Pd ₂ Cl ₂	L8	14	NR	-
10	PdCl ₂	L8	14	NR	-
11	Pd ₂ (dba) ₃	L8	14	10:90	62.5:37.5
12	PdCl ₂ (dppb)	L8	14	14:86	50:50
13	Pd(PPh ₃)Cl ₂	L8	14	22:78	65:35
14	OIP Co	-	14	10:90	50:50
15 ^[d]	[Rh(cod)Cl] ₂	L8	14	20:80	90:10
16 ^[e]	[Rh(cod)Cl] ₂	L8	14	8:92	95.5:4.5

[a] Reaction conditions: **1a** (0.2 mmol), [Rh(cod)Cl]₂ (10 mol%), and solvent (1 mL) at 80 °C. [b] Determined by HPLC. [c] The er value was determined by chiral HPLC with a chiral stationary phase. [d] At 80 °C. [e] At 60 °C.

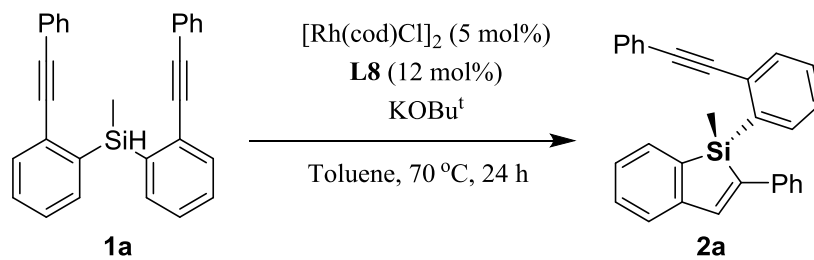
Table S4. Optimization of reaction conditions by screening of additives. ^[a] Related to Table 1.



Entry	Additive	2a/1a ^[b]	er (%) ^[c]
1	AlCl ₃	NR	
2	NaHBET ₃	>99:1	92.5:7.5
3	NaSbF ₆	NR	
4	K ₂ CO ₃	60:40	90.5:9.5
5	AlCl ₃	30:70	85:15
6	CuI	60:40	90:10
7	KOtBu	>99:1	95:5
8	Ag ₃ PO ₄	90:10	92:8
9	NEt ₃	90:10	92:8
10	NaO ^t Bu	>99:1	90:10
11	NaOEt	>99:1	85:15

[a] Reaction conditions: **1a** (0.2 mmol), [Rh(cod)Cl]₂ (5 mol%), and solvent (1 mL) at 70 °C. [b] Determined by HPLC. NR is no reaction. [c] The er value was determined by chiral HPLC with a chiral stationary phase.

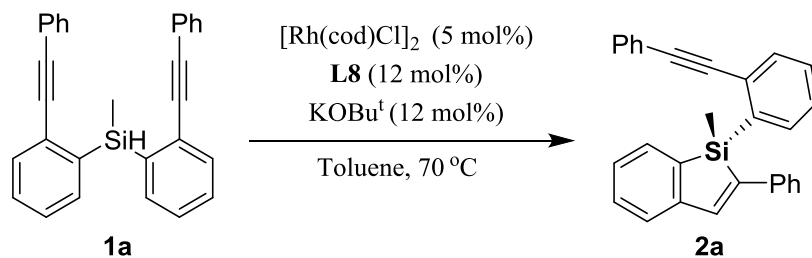
Table S5. The effect of KO t Bu on the Rh-catalyzed intramolecular hydrosilylation.^[a] Related to Table 1.



Entry	KO t Bu (X mol%)	2a/1a ^[b]	er (%) ^[c]
1	6	>99:1	95.5:4.5
2	12	>99:1	95.5:4.5
3	24	>99:1	95.5:4.5
4	36	>99:1	75:25
5	48	NR	-
6	60	NR	-

[a] Reaction conditions: **1a** (0.2 mmol), [Rh(cod)Cl]₂ (5 mol%), and solvent (1 mL) at 70 °C. [b] Determined by HPLC. [c] The er value was determined by chiral HPLC with a chiral stationary phase.

Table S6a. Kinetic studies on the Rh-catalyzed intramolecular hydrosilylation: a) with KOtBu. ^[a] Related to Figure 4.



Entry	Catalyst	Temp (°C)	Time (h)	2a/1a ^[b]	<i>er</i> (%) ^[c]
1	[Rh(cod)Cl] ₂	70	1	18:82	>99:1
2	[Rh(cod)Cl] ₂	70	2	18:82	>99:1
3	[Rh(cod)Cl] ₂	70	4	28:72	95.5:4.5
4	[Rh(cod)Cl] ₂	70	14	30:70	95.5:4.5
5	[Rh(cod)Cl] ₂	70	40	54:46	95.5:4.5
6	[Rh(cod)Cl] ₂	70	70	>99:1	95.5:4.5

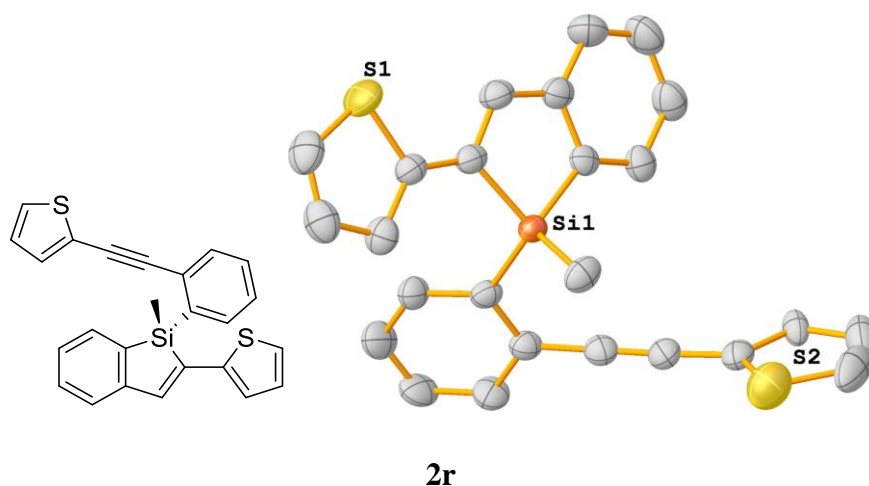
[a] Reaction conditions: **1a** (0.2 mmol), [Rh(cod)Cl]₂ (5 mol%), and solvent (1 mL) at 70 °C. [b] Determined by HPLC. [c] The *er* value was determined by chiral HPLC with a chiral stationary phase.

Table S6b. Kinetic studies on the Rh-catalyzed intramolecular hydrosilylation: b) without KOtBu. ^[a] Related to Figure 4.

Entry	Catalyst	Temp (°C)	Time (h)	<i>er</i> (%) ^[b]
1	[Rh(cod)Cl] ₂	70	2	97.5:2.5
2	[Rh(cod)Cl] ₂	70	10	91:9
3	[Rh(cod)Cl] ₂	70	22	91:9
4	[Rh(cod)Cl] ₂	70	34	85:15
5	[Rh(cod)Cl] ₂	70	50	75:25

[a] Reaction conditions: **1a** (0.2 mmol), [Rh(cod)Cl]₂ (5 mol%), and solvent (1 mL) at 70 °C. [b] The *er* value was determined by chiral HPLC with a chiral stationary phase.

Figure S1. X-ray structures of **2r** (CCDC 1954490). Related to Scheme 2.



Crystallographic data and data collection for the product **2r**

Formula	C ₂₅ H ₁₈ S ₂ Si	<i>Z</i>	2
<i>D</i> _{calc.} / g cm ⁻³	1.298	<i>Z</i> '	2
μ /mm ⁻¹	2.887	Wavelength/Å	1.54178
Formula Weight	410.60	Radiation type	CuK
Colour	colourless	$\theta_{min}/^\circ$	4.076
Shape	prism	$\theta_{max}/^\circ$	71.022
Size/mm ³	0.15 × 0.12 × 0.10	Measured Refl's.	33860
<i>T</i> /K	296.15	Ind't Refl's	7453
Crystal System	triclinic	Refl's with <i>I</i> > 2(<i>I</i>)	7409
Flack Parameter	0.101(7)	<i>R</i> _{int}	0.0342
Hooft Parameter	0.103(5)	Parameters	696
Space Group	<i>P1</i>	Restraints	195
<i>a</i> /Å	8.6621(2)	Largest Peak	0.180
<i>b</i> /Å	11.3298(3)	Deepest Hole	-0.221
<i>c</i> /Å	11.8647(3)	Goof	1.050
$\alpha/^\circ$	73.2290(10)	<i>wR</i> ₂ (<i>all data</i>)	0.0871
$\beta/^\circ$	70.5240(10)	<i>wR</i> ₂	0.0870
$\gamma/^\circ$	83.5540(10)	<i>R</i> ₁ (<i>all data</i>)	0.0315
<i>V</i> /Å ³	1050.92(5)	<i>R</i> ₁	0.0314

Supplemental Figures for NMR spectrums:

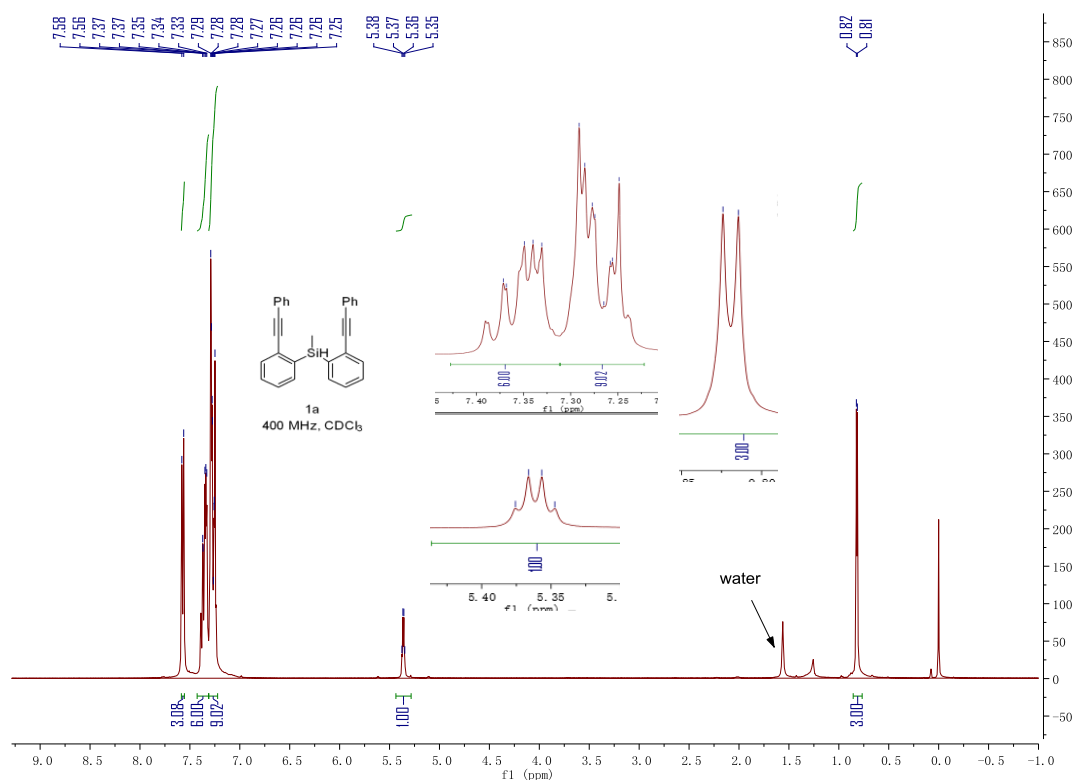


Figure S2. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) spectrum of compound **1a**, related to **Scheme 2**

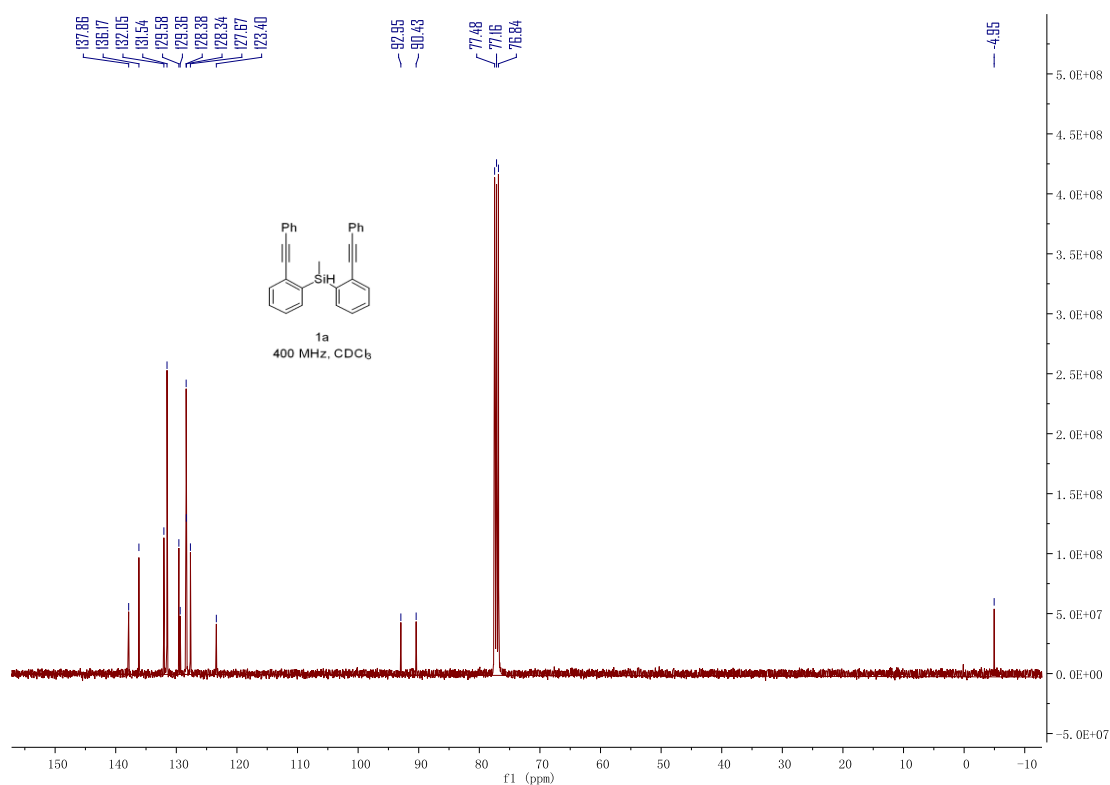


Figure S3. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) spectrum of compound **1a**, related to **Scheme 2**

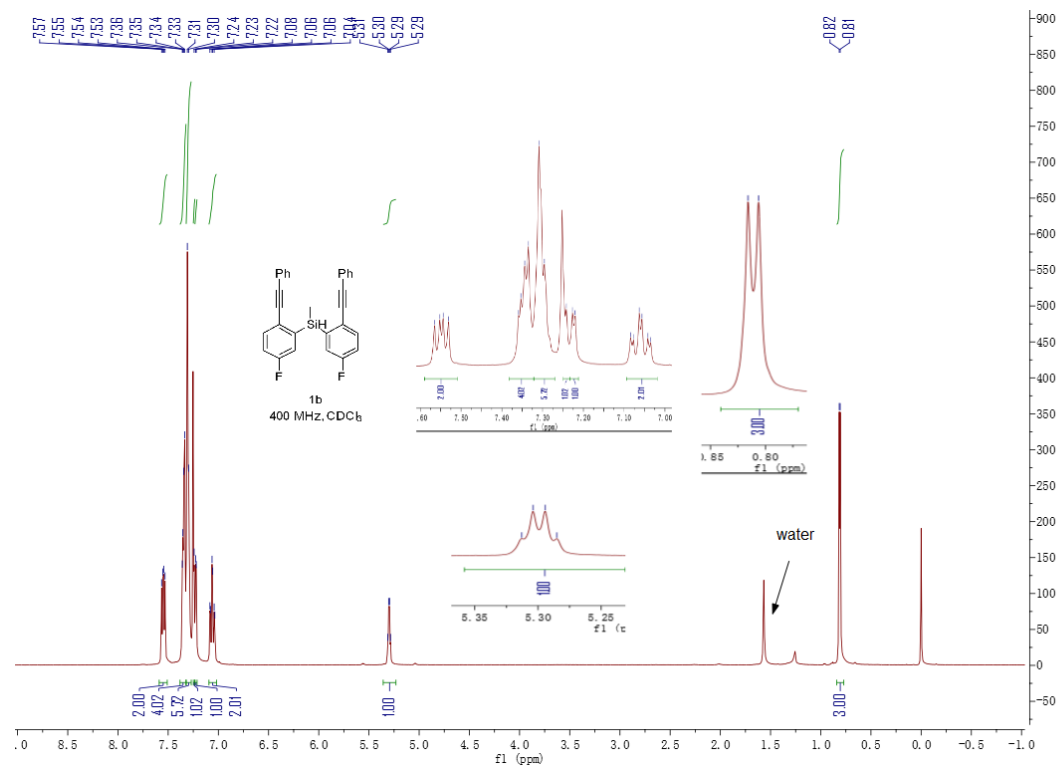


Figure S4. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of compound **1b**, related to Scheme 2

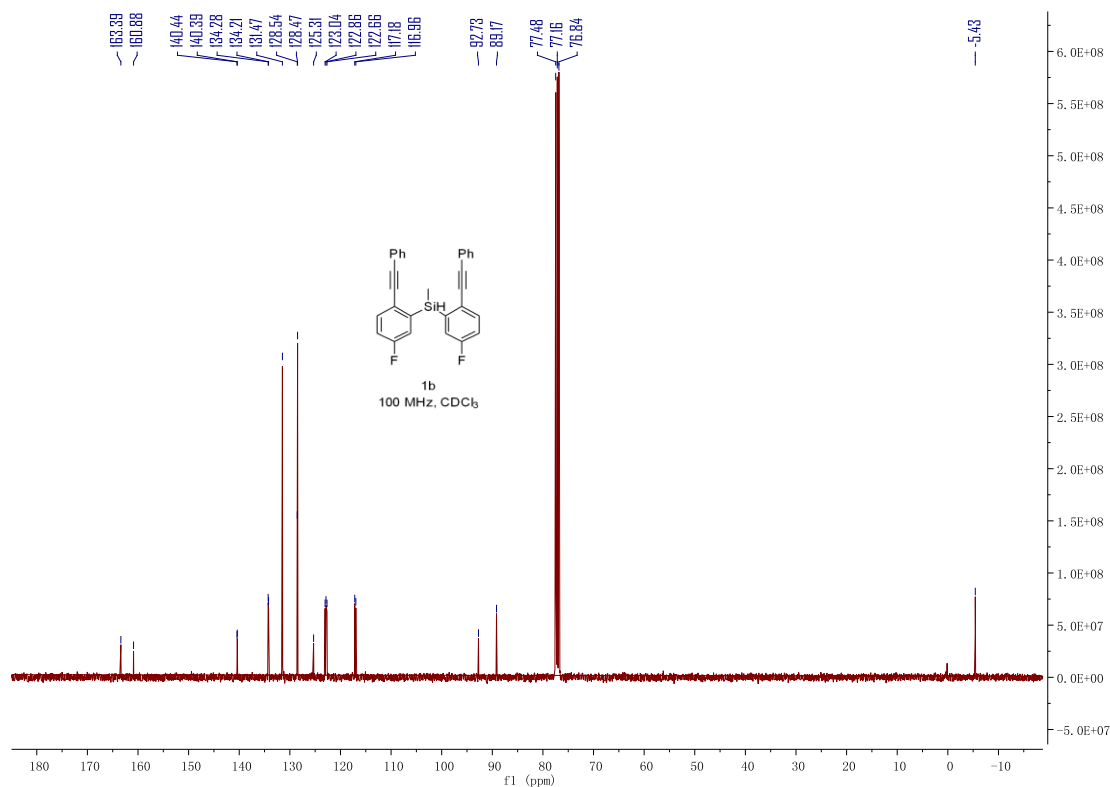


Figure S5. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of compound **1b**, related to Scheme 2

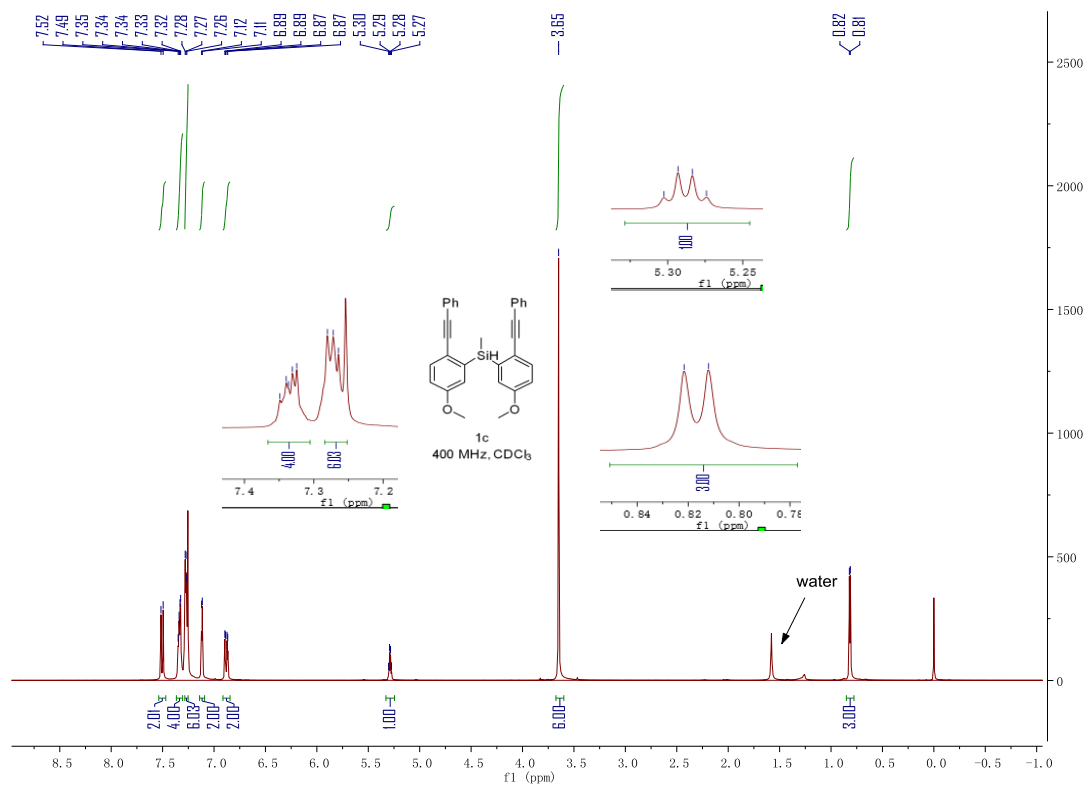


Figure S6. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) spectrum of compound **1c**, related to **Scheme 2**

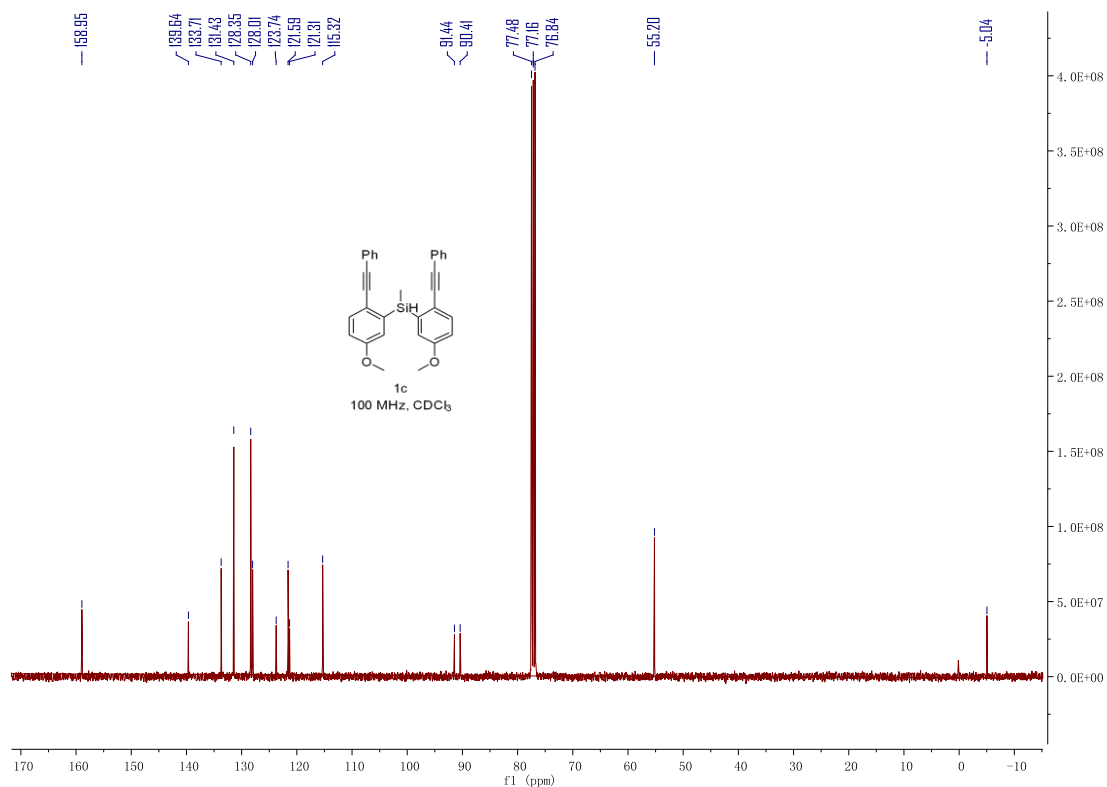


Figure S7. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) spectrum of compound **1c**, related to **Scheme 2**

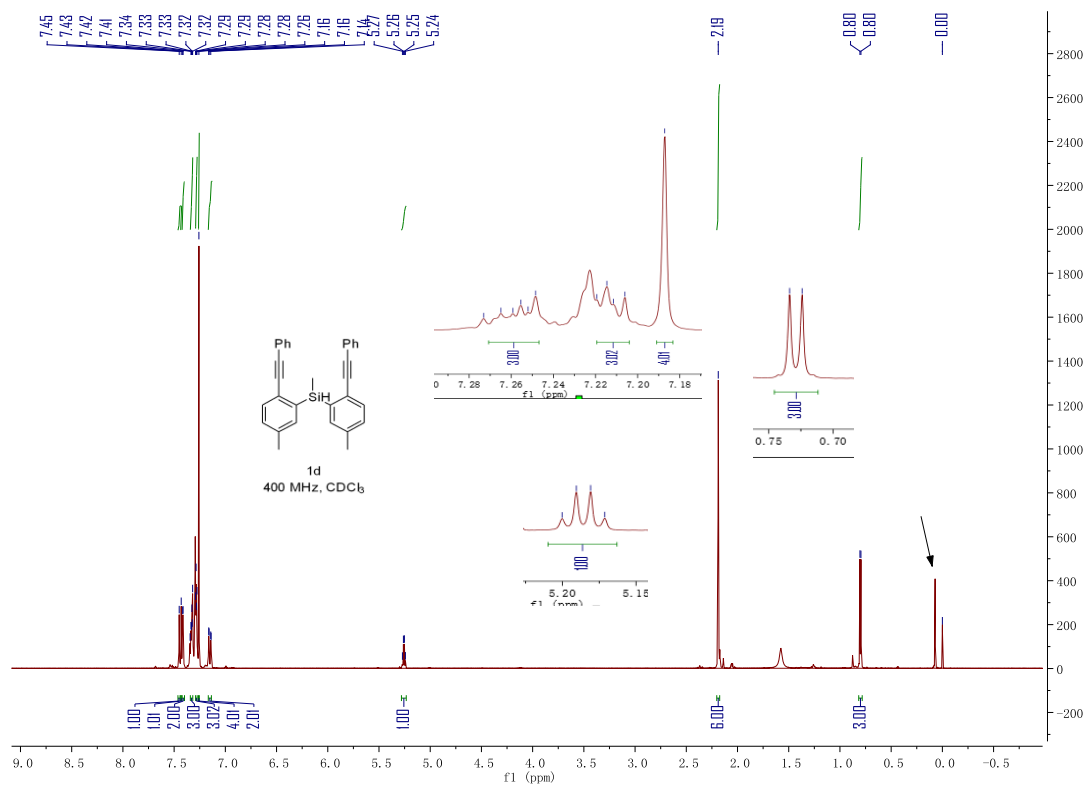


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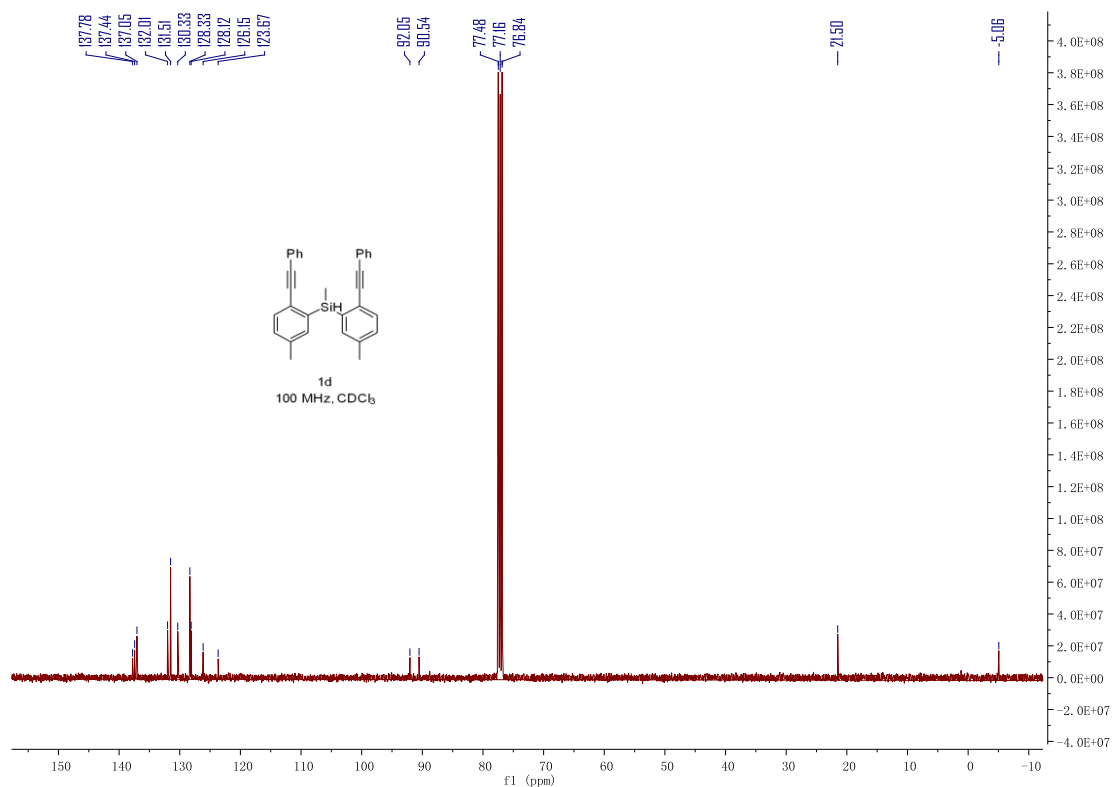


Figure S9. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of compound **1d**, related to **Scheme 2**

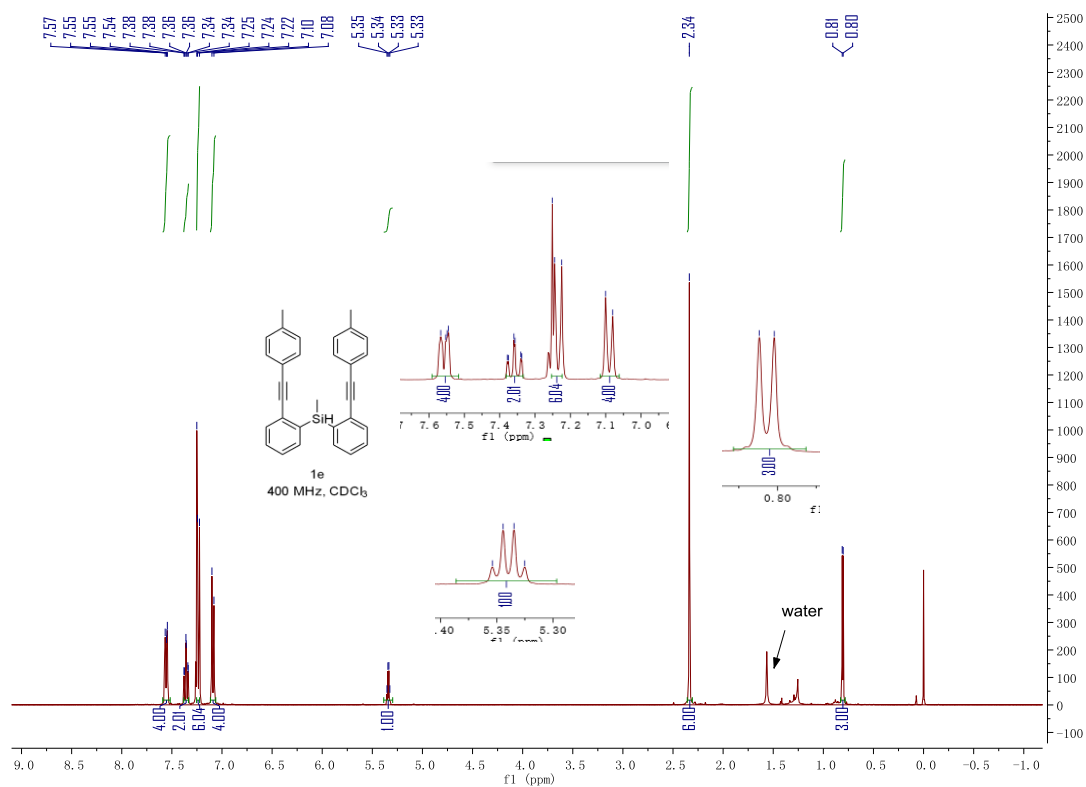


Figure S10. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of compound **1e**, related to **Scheme 2**

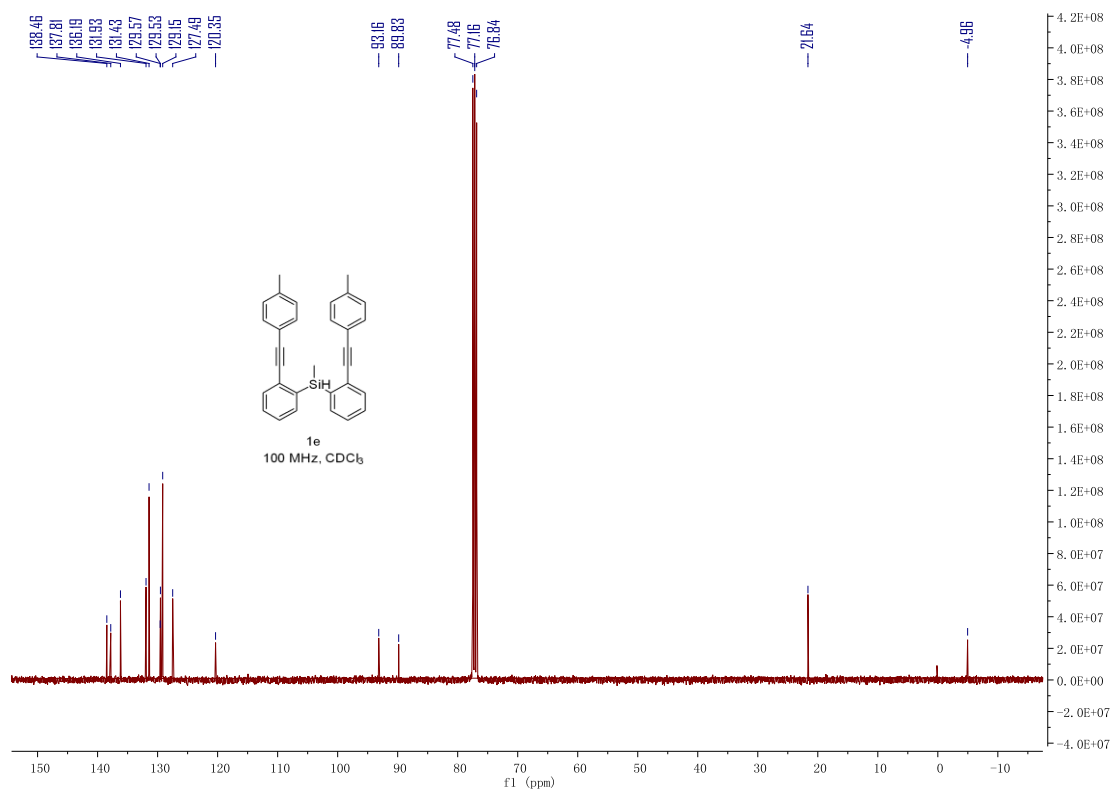


Figure S11. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of compound **1e**, related to **Scheme 2**

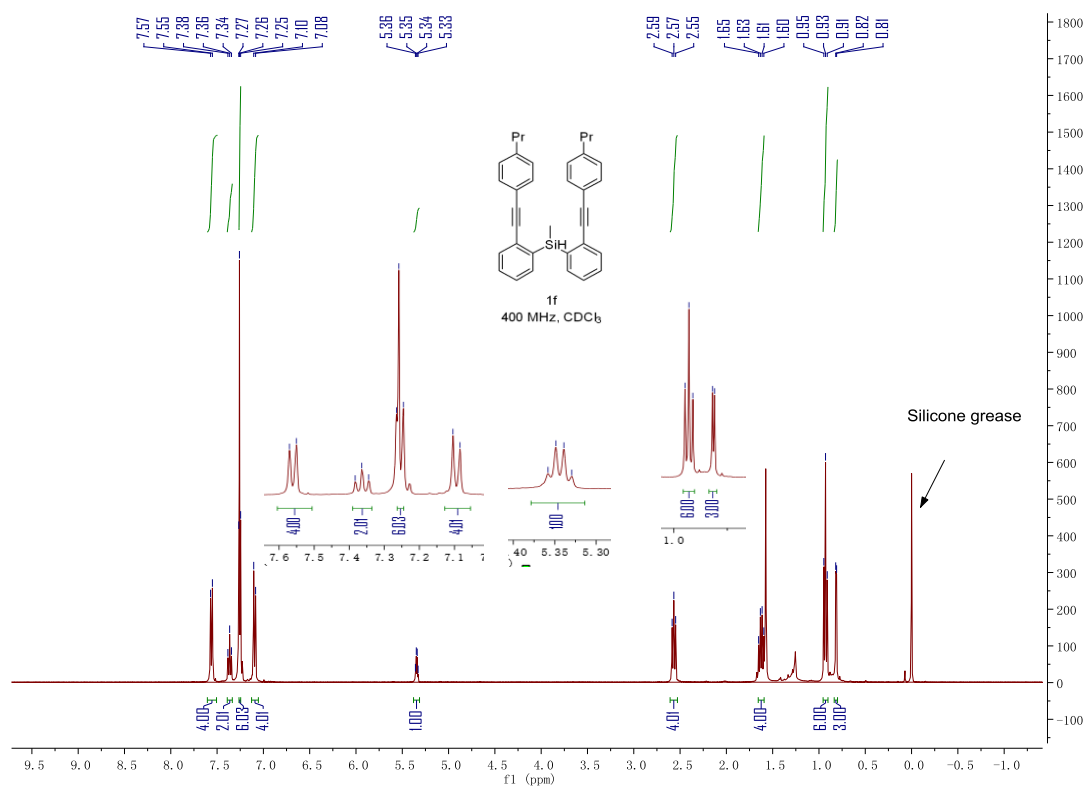


Figure S12. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of compound **1f**, related to **Scheme 2**

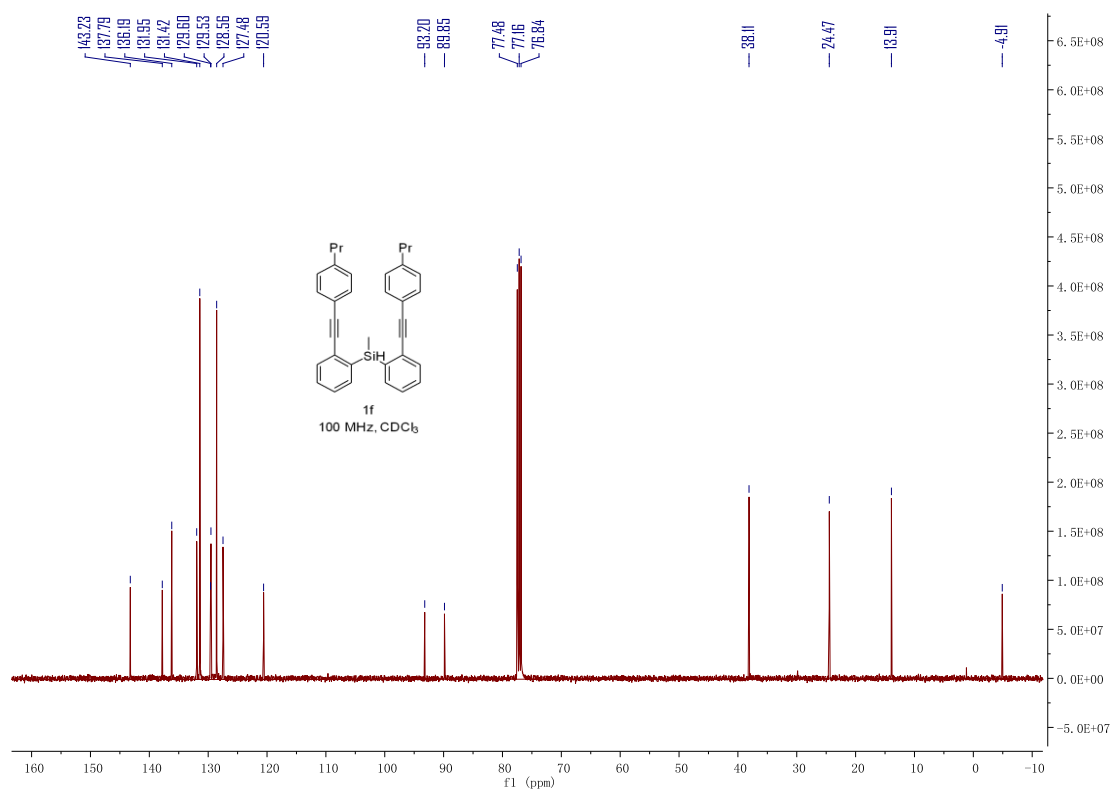
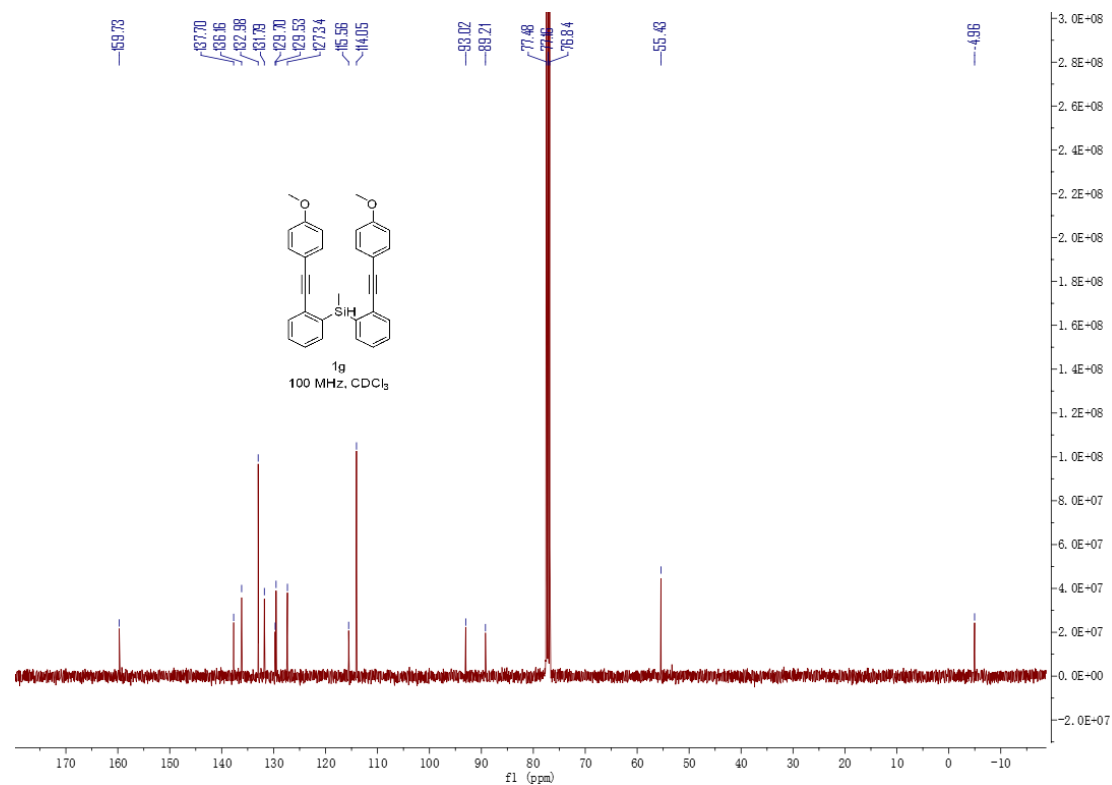
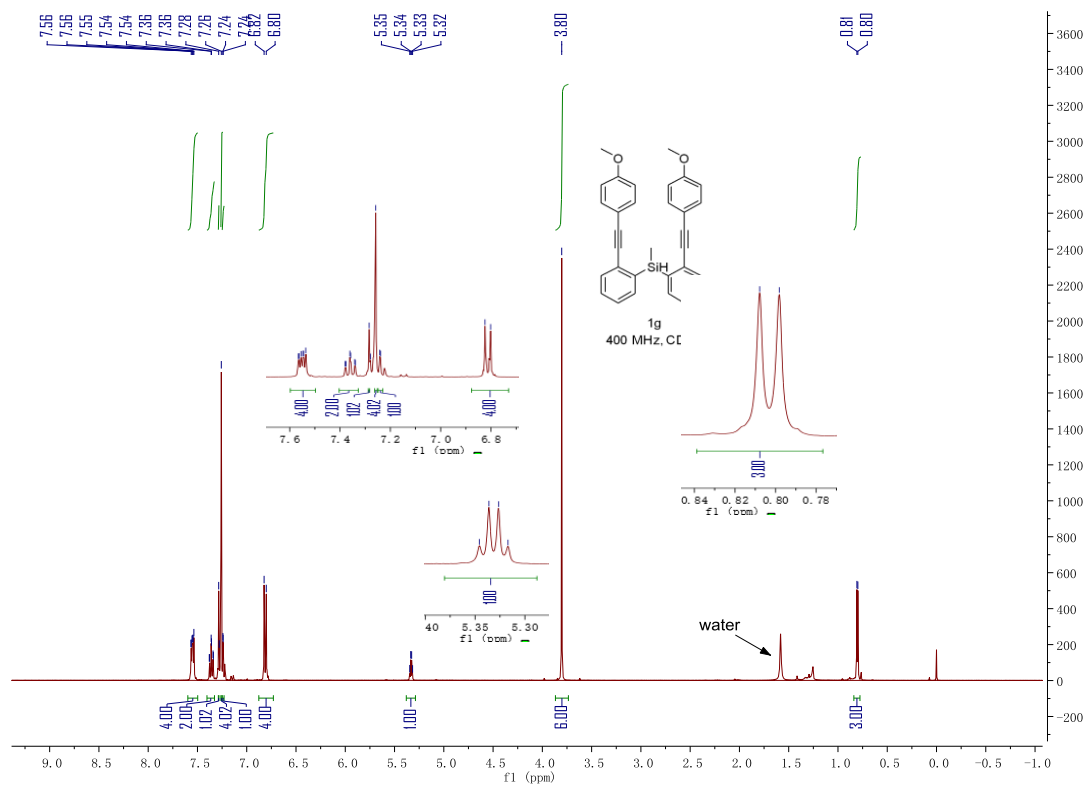


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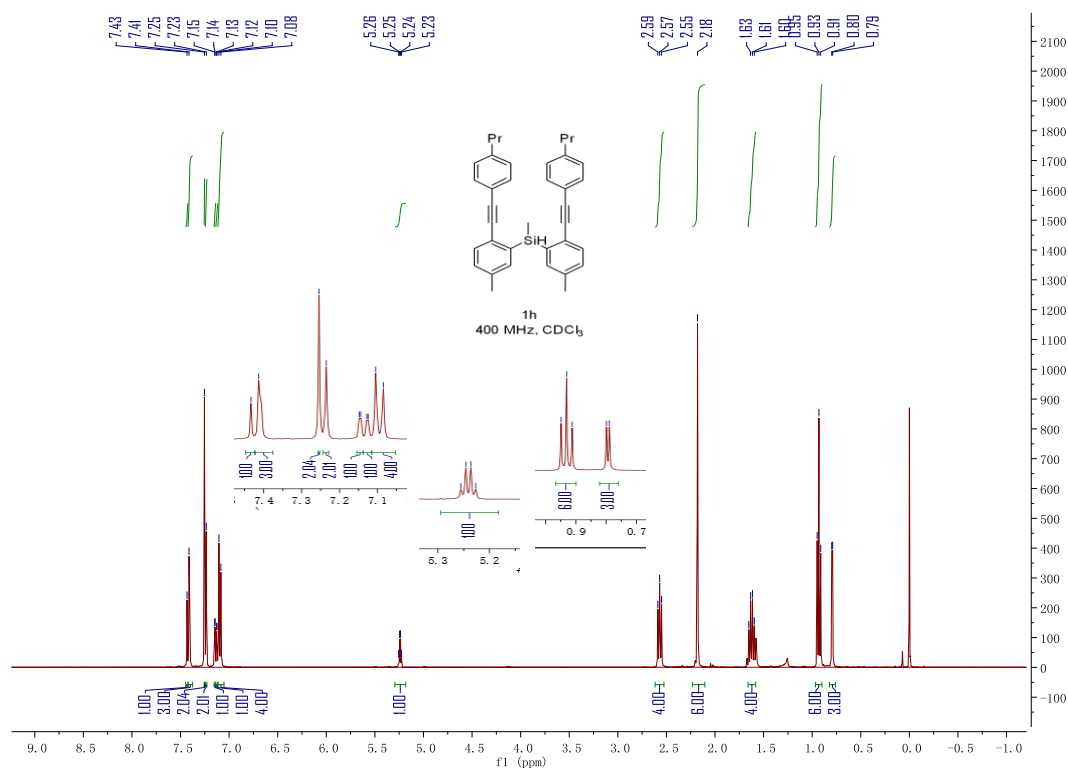


Figure S16. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of compound **1h**, related to **Scheme 2**

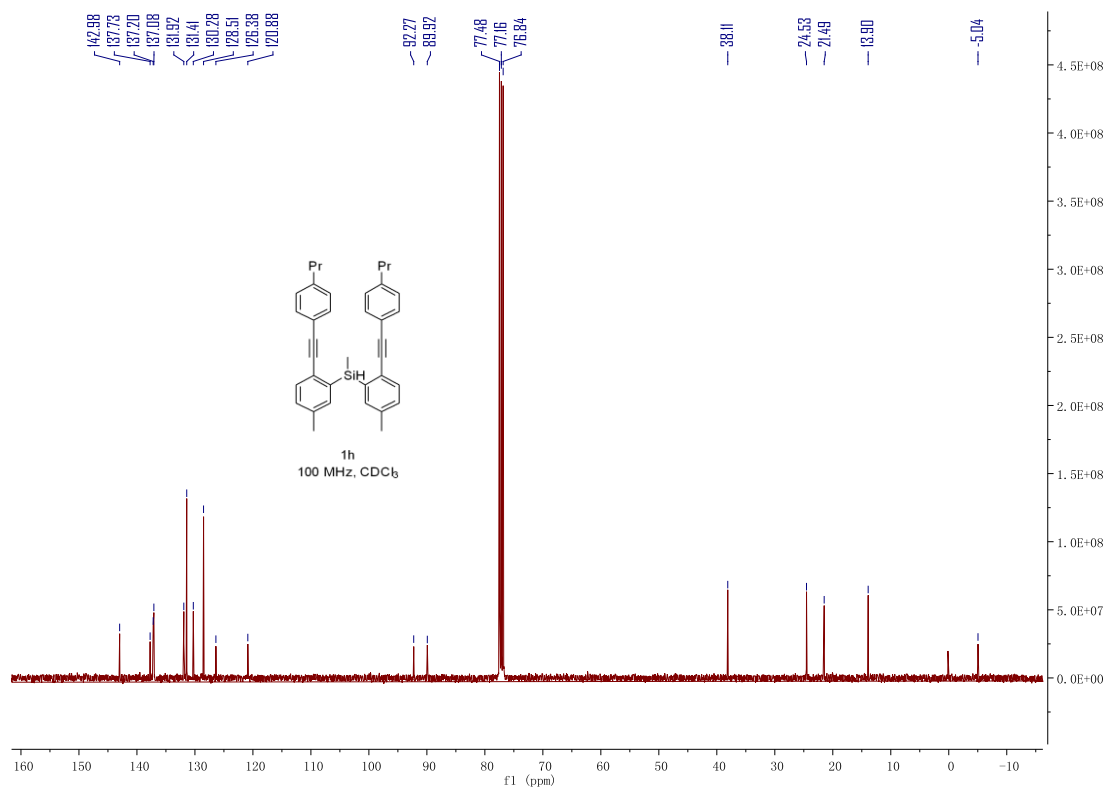


Figure S17. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of compound **1h**, related to **Scheme 2**

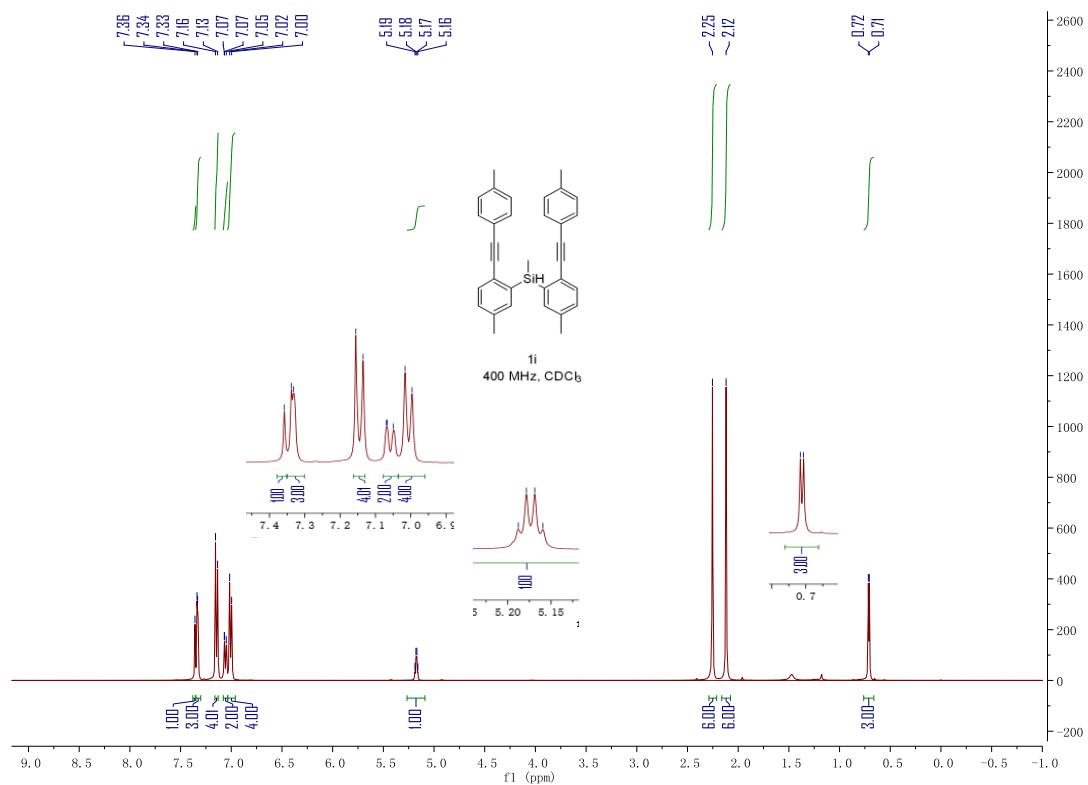


Figure S18. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of compound **1i**, related to **Scheme 2**

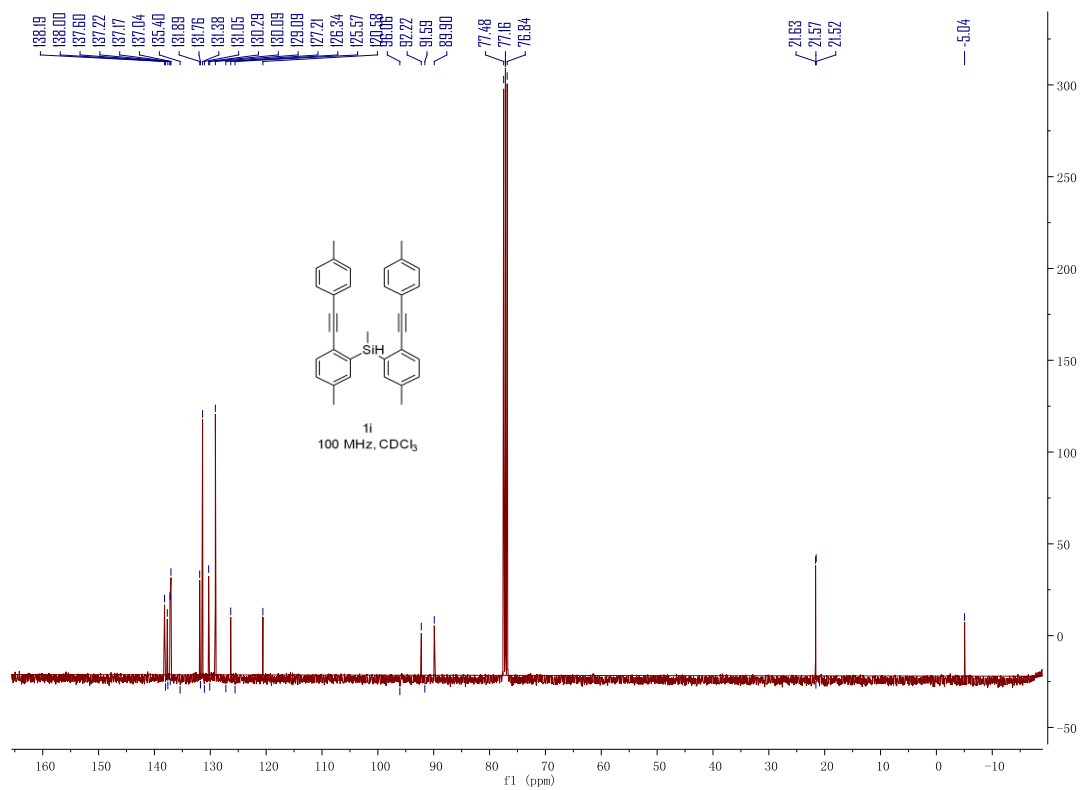


Figure S19. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of compound **1i**, related to **Scheme 2**

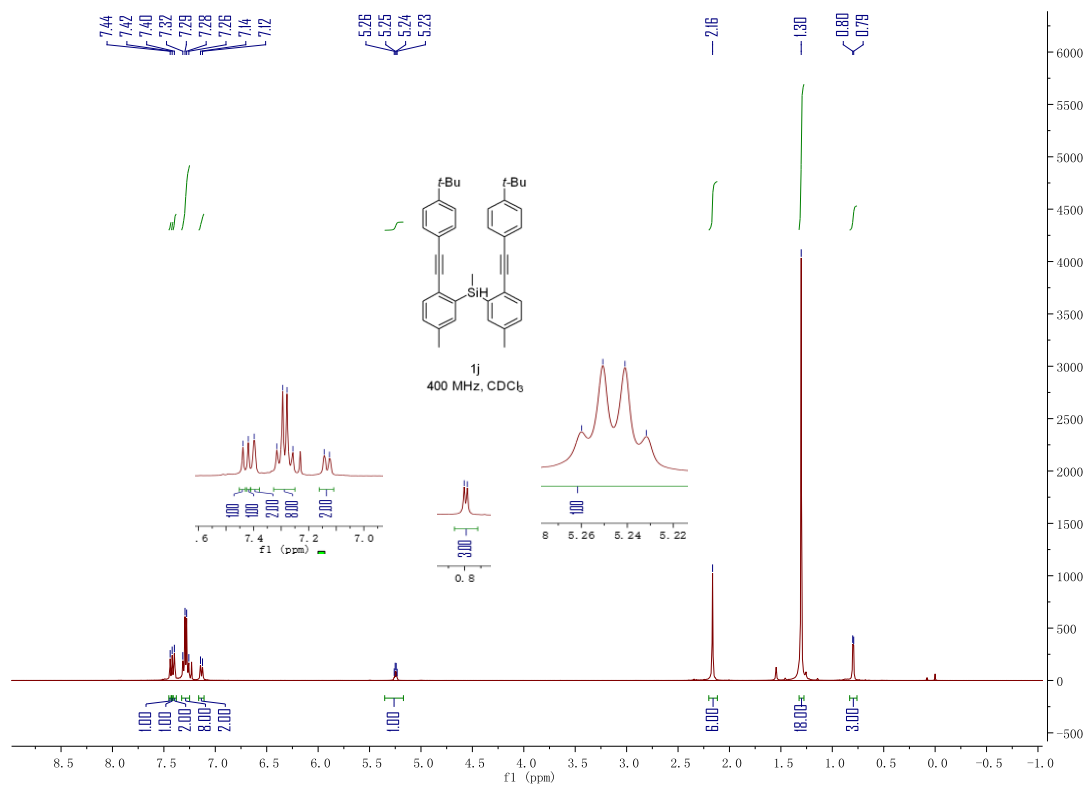


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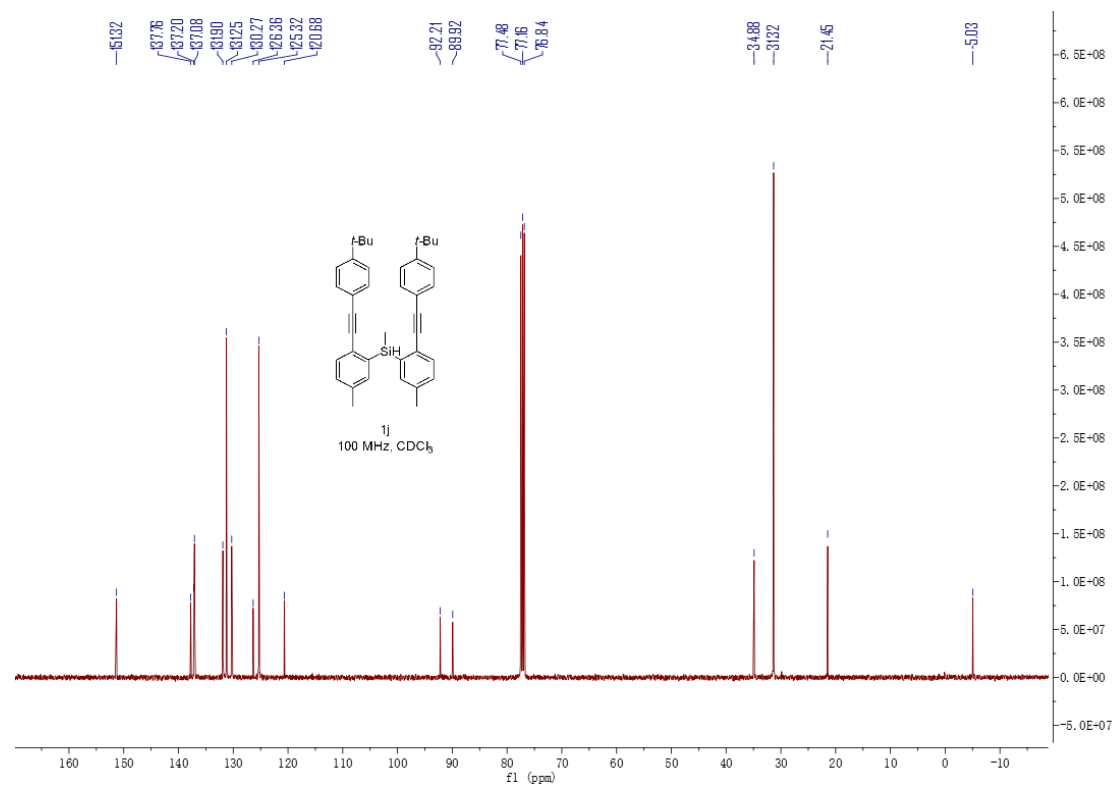


Figure S21. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of compound **1j**, related to **Scheme 2**

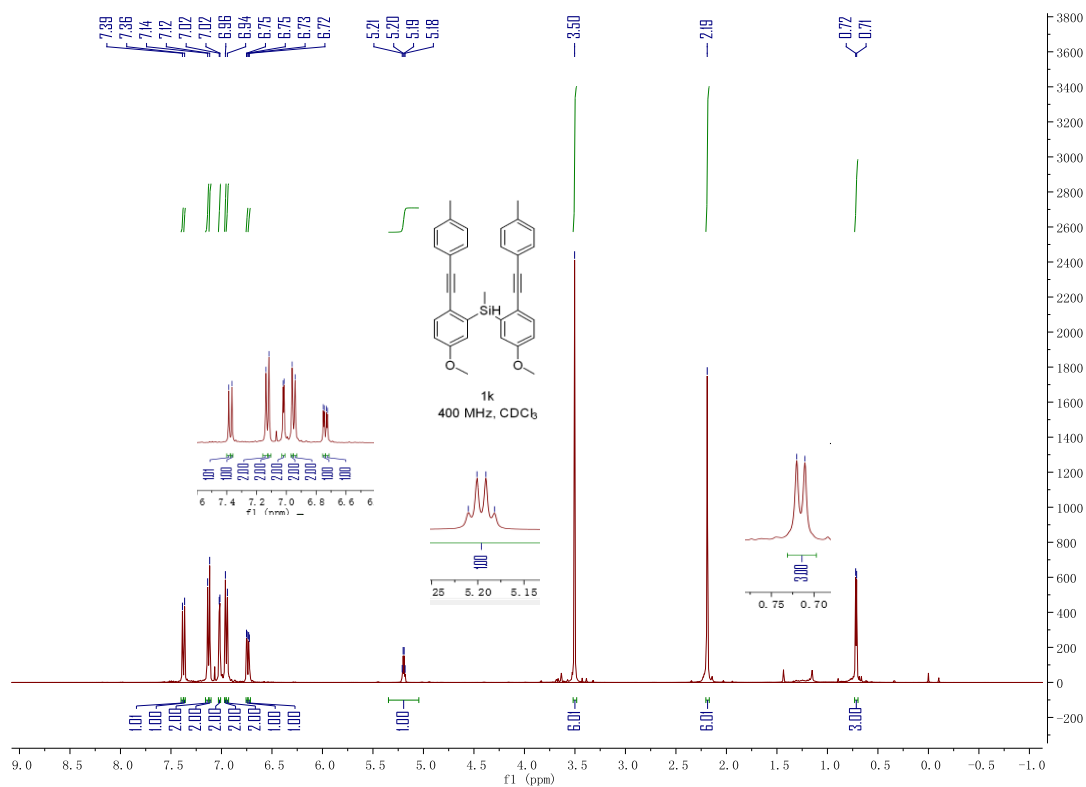


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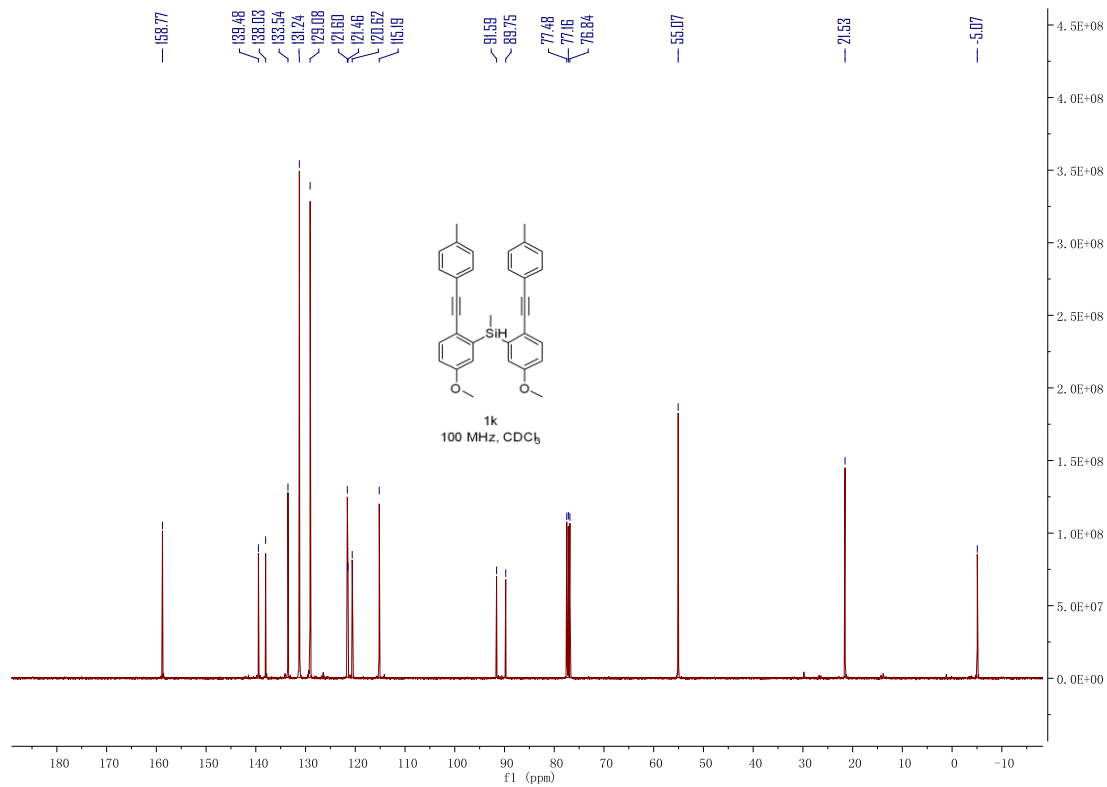


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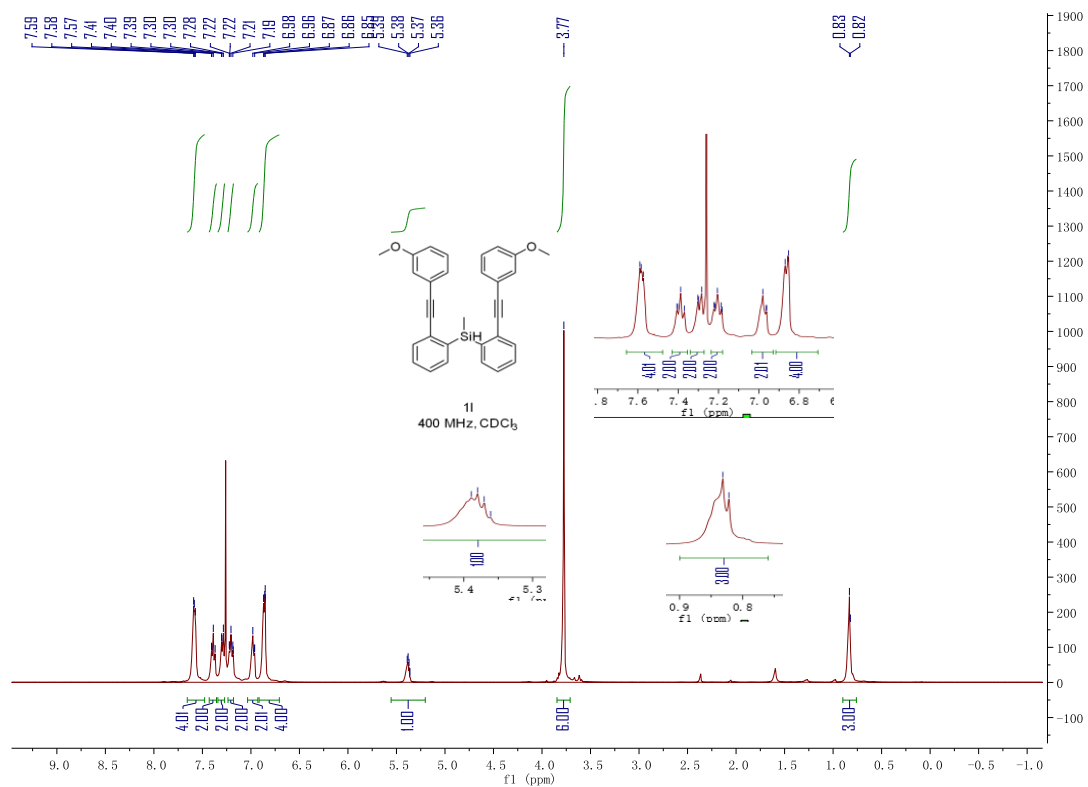


Figure S24. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of compound **11**, related to Scheme 2

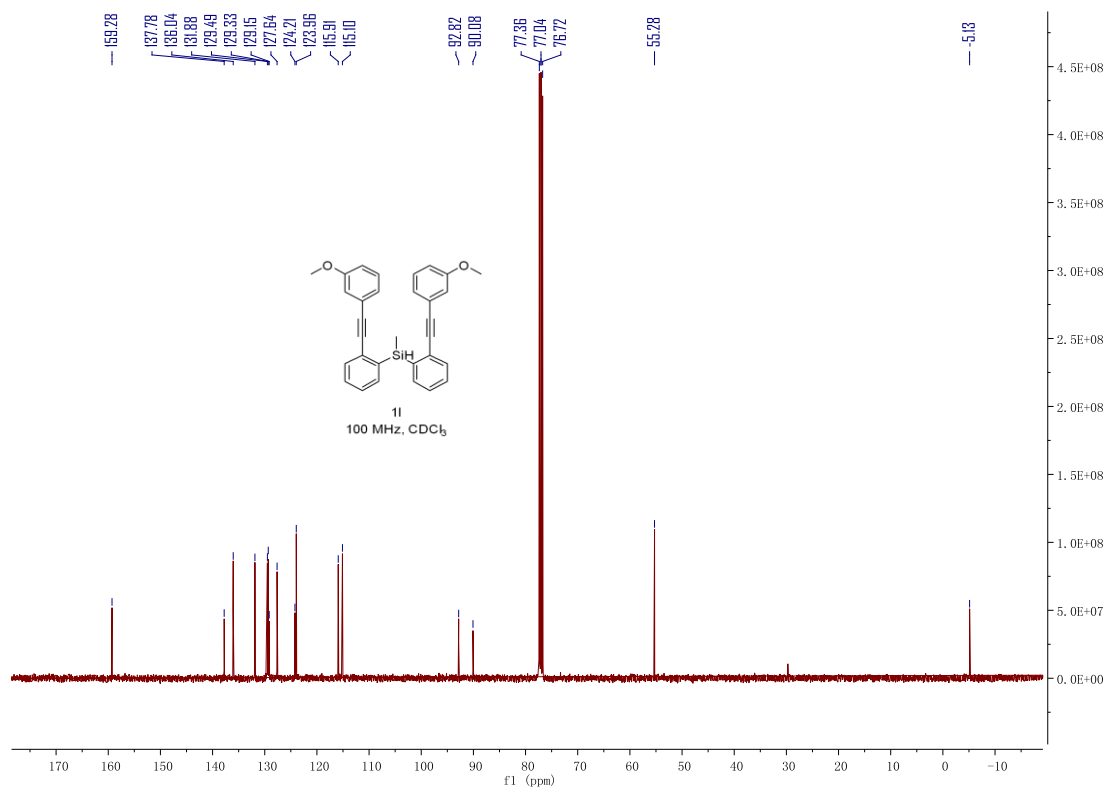


Figure S25. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of compound **11**, related to Scheme 2

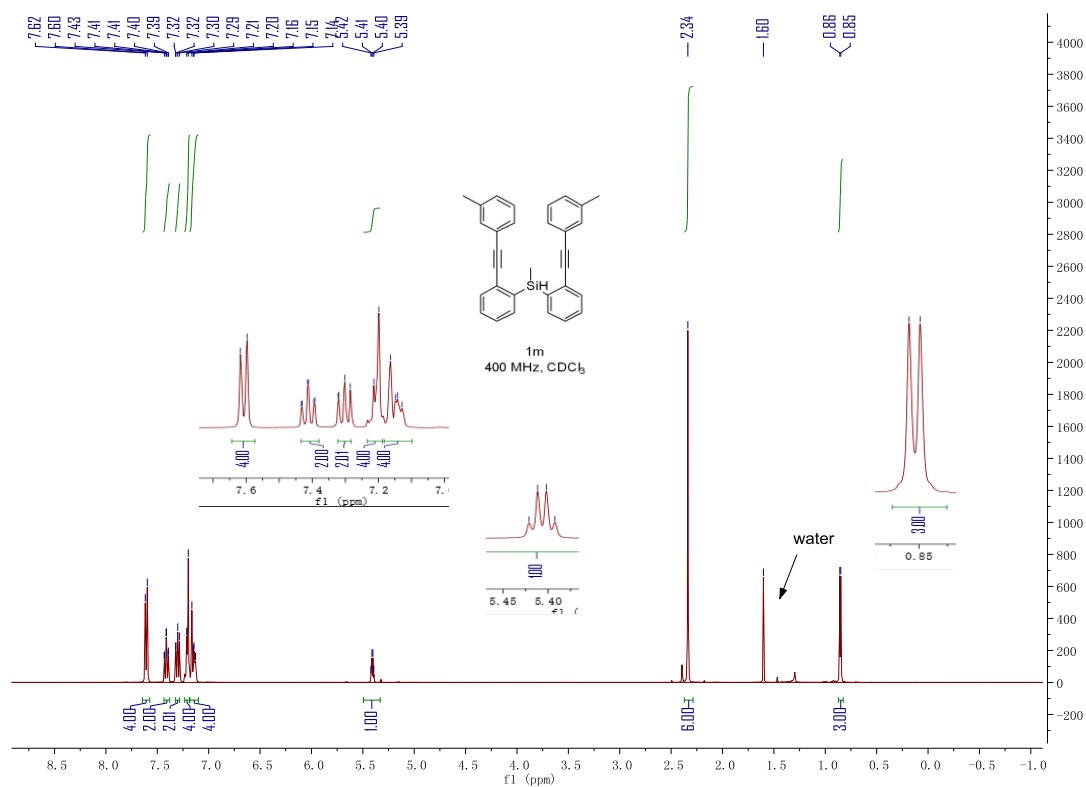


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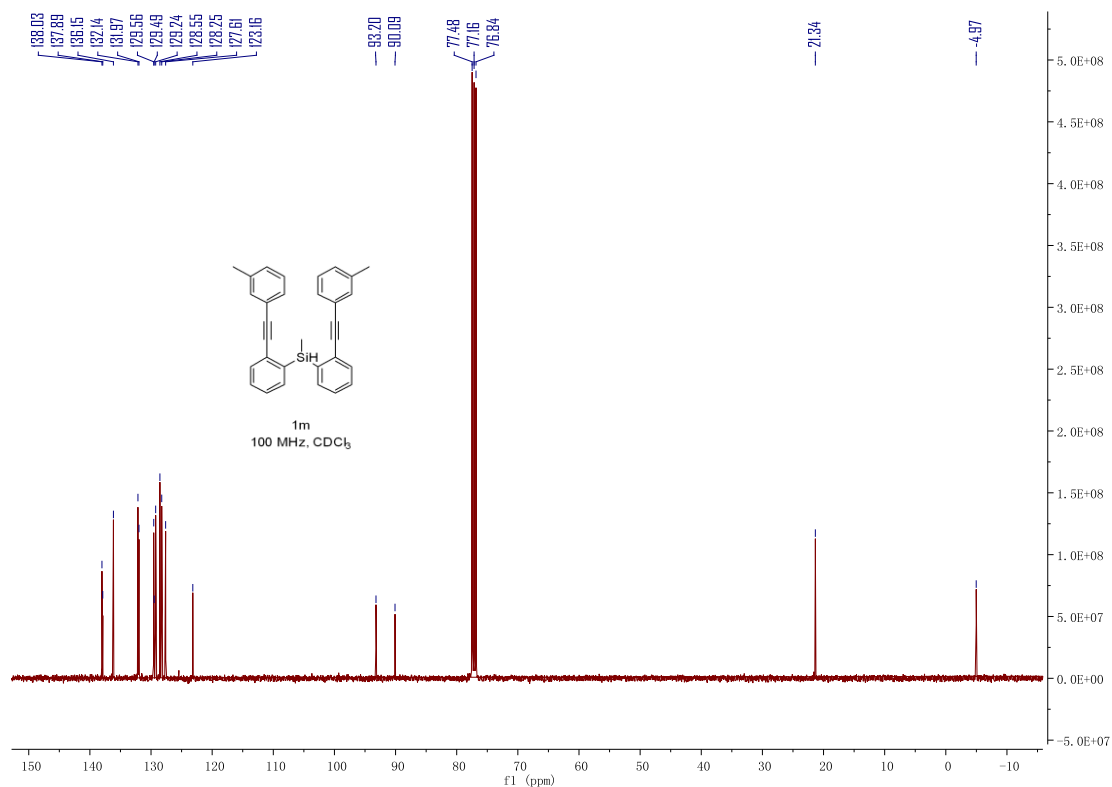


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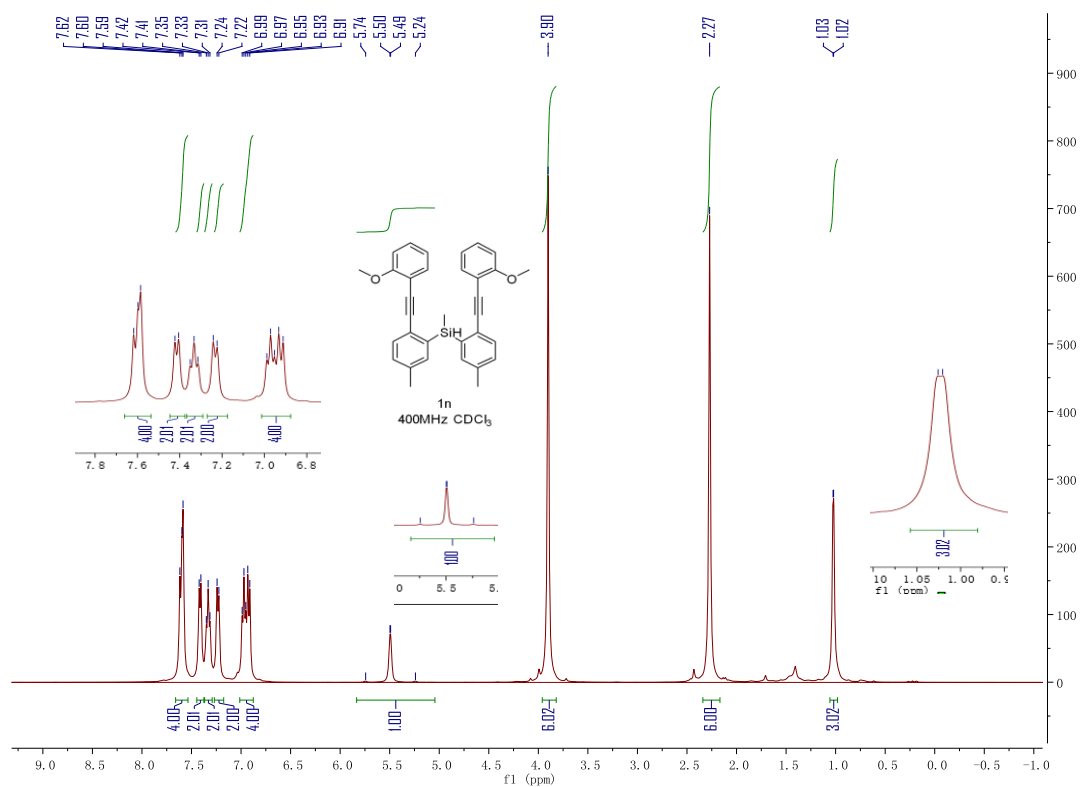


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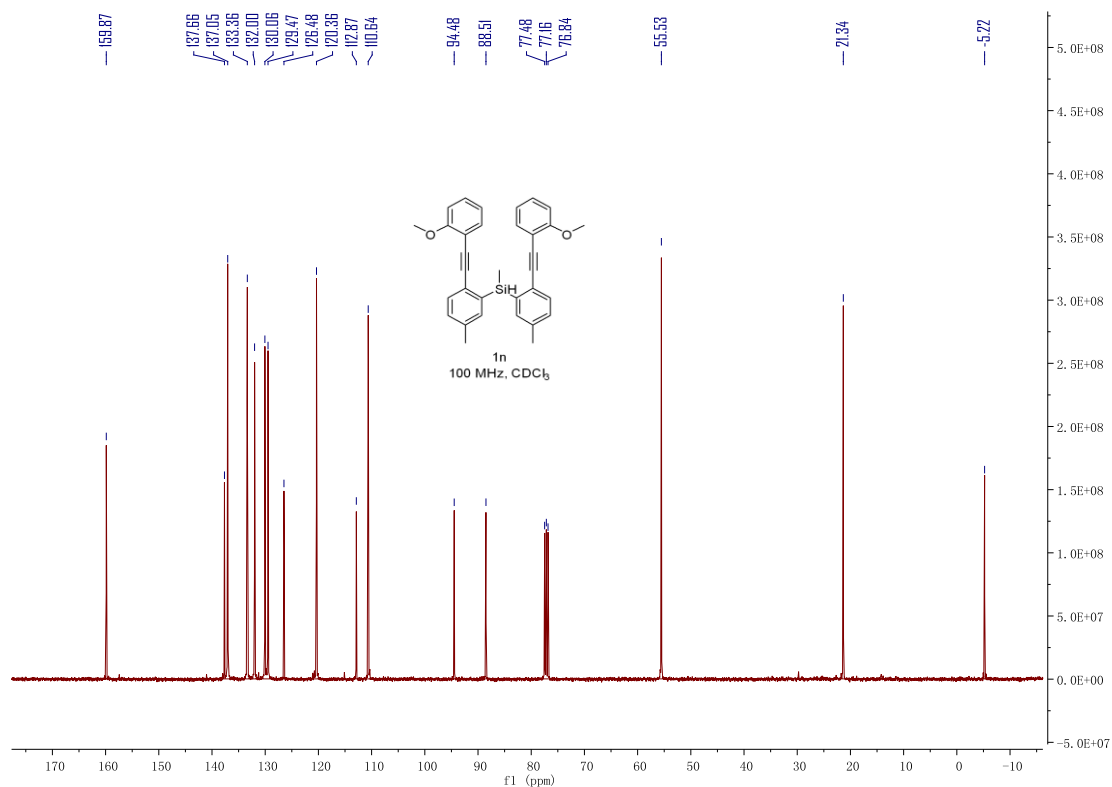


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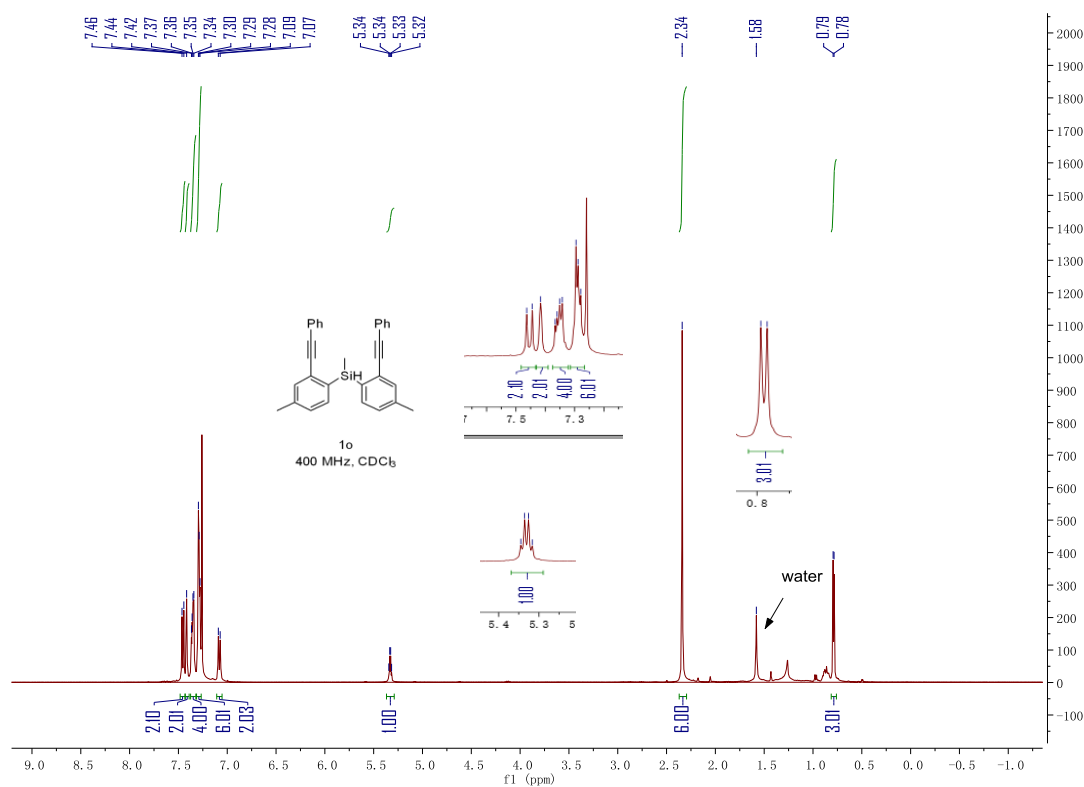


Figure S30. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) spectrum of compound **1o**, related to **Scheme 2**

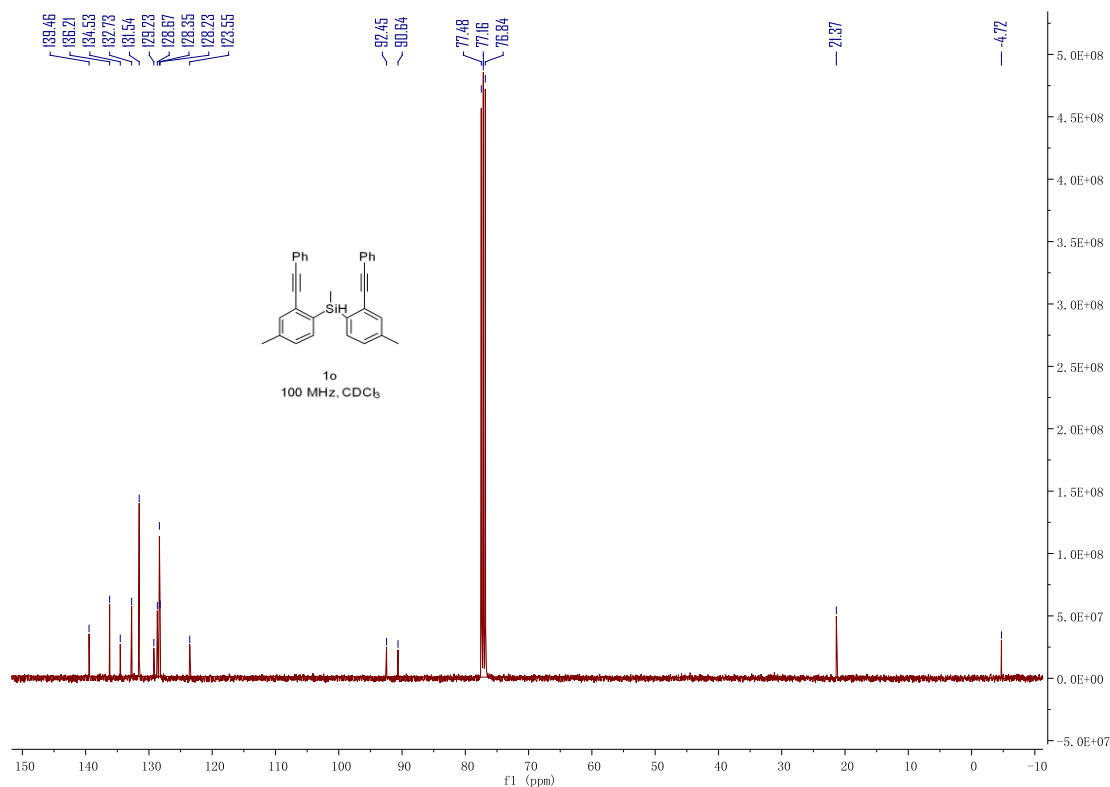


Figure S31. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) spectrum of compound **1o**, related to **Scheme 2**

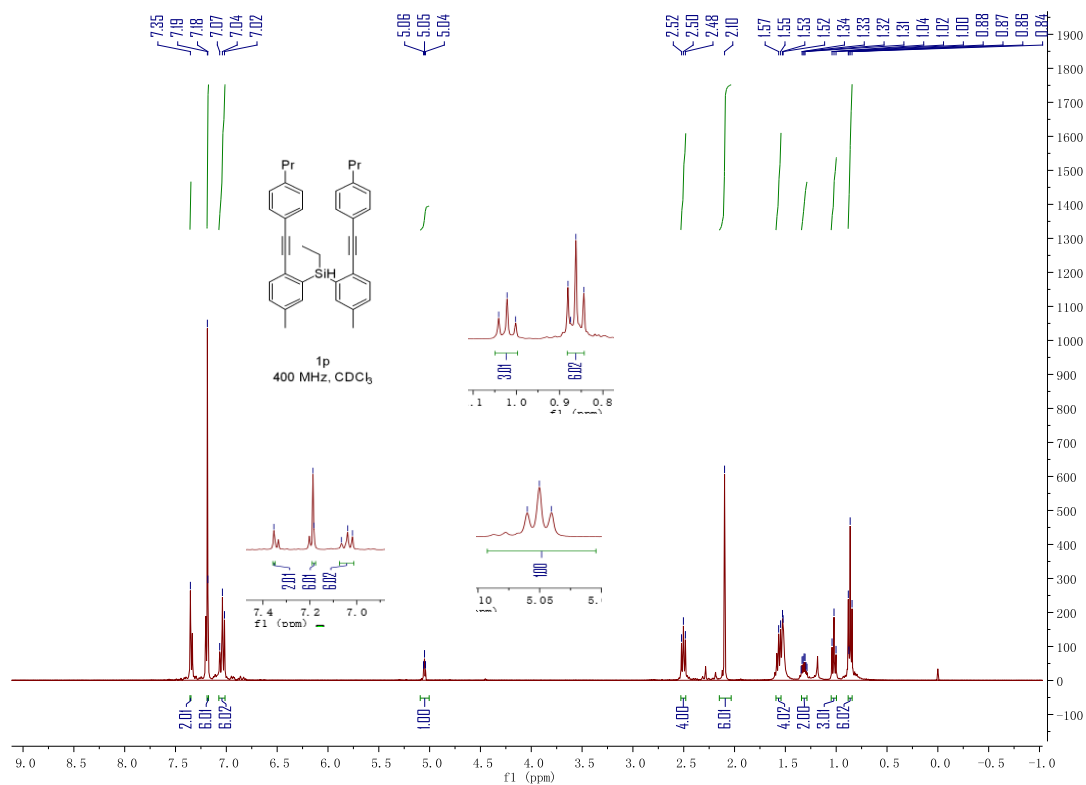


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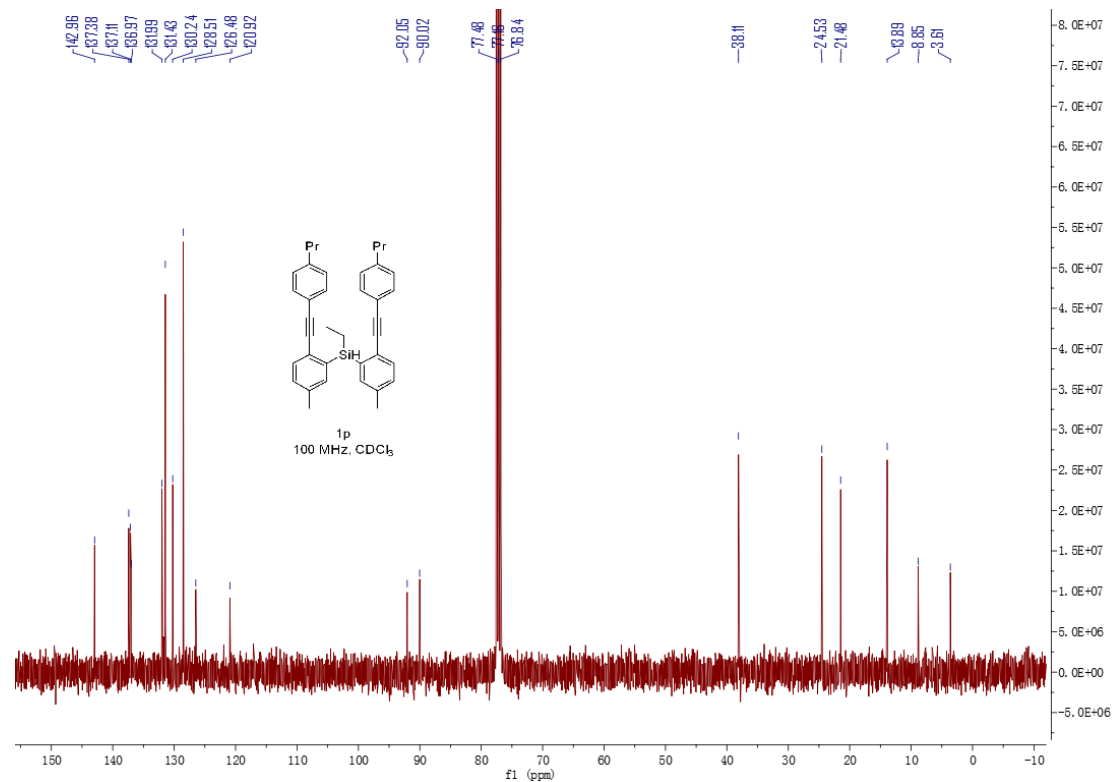


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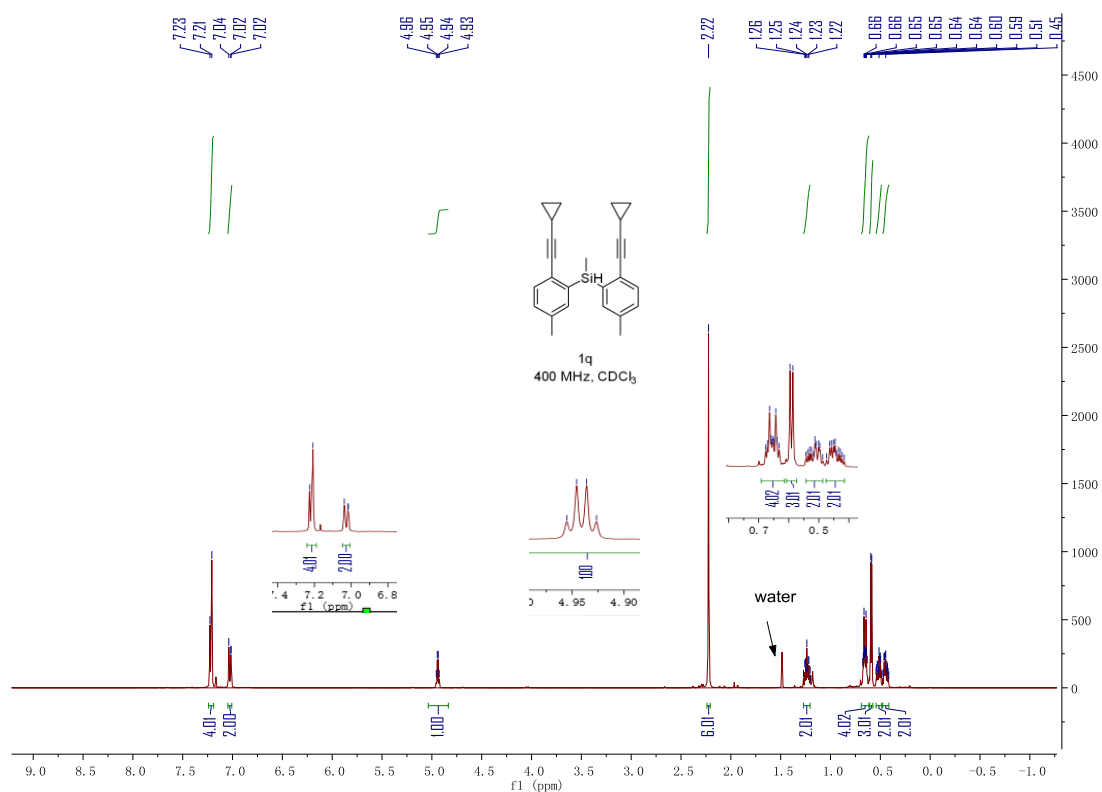


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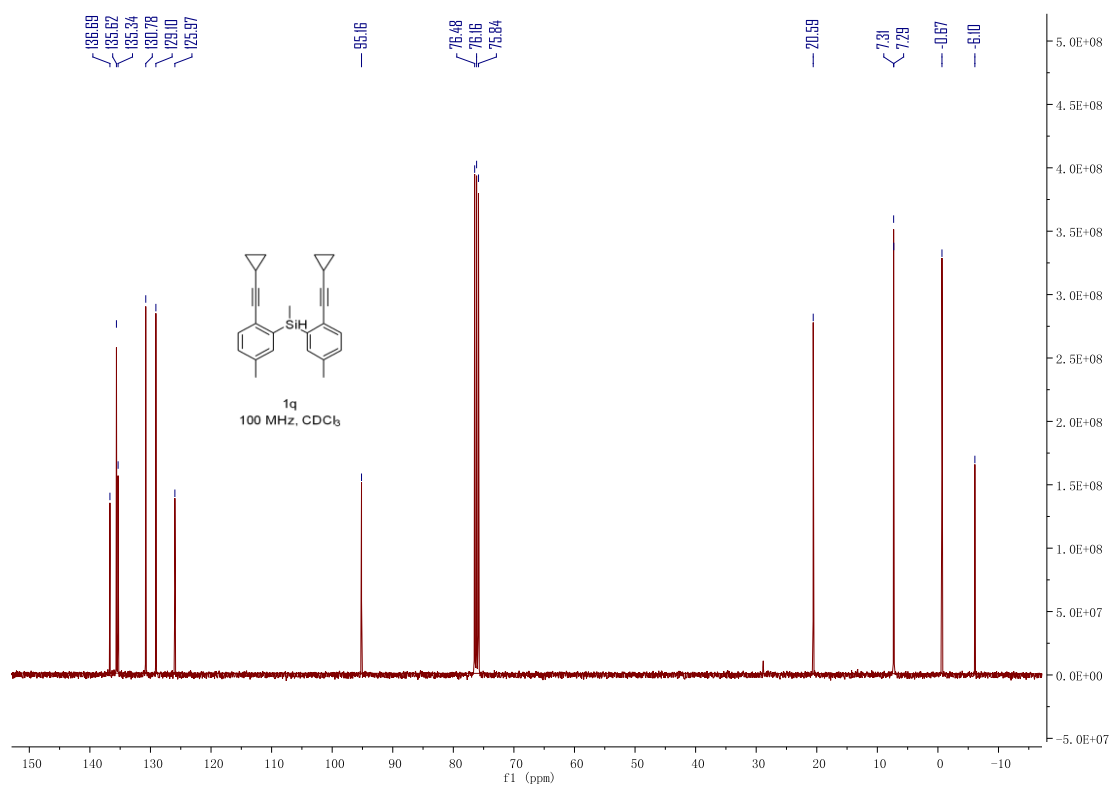


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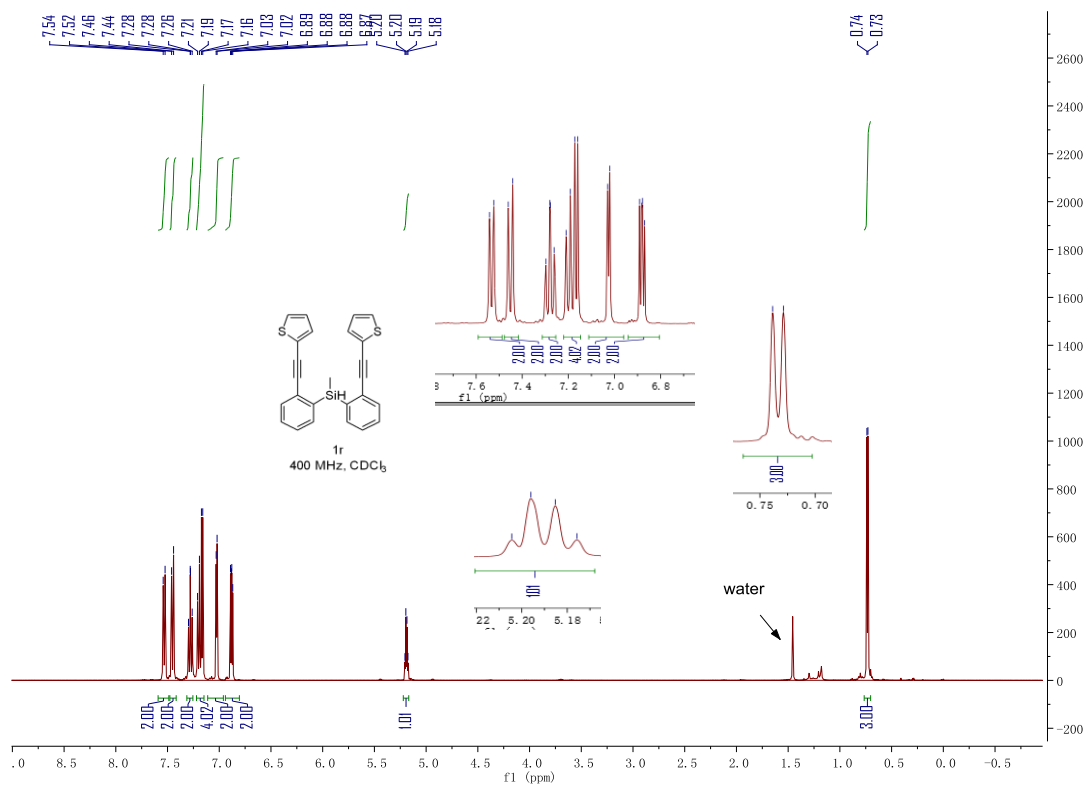


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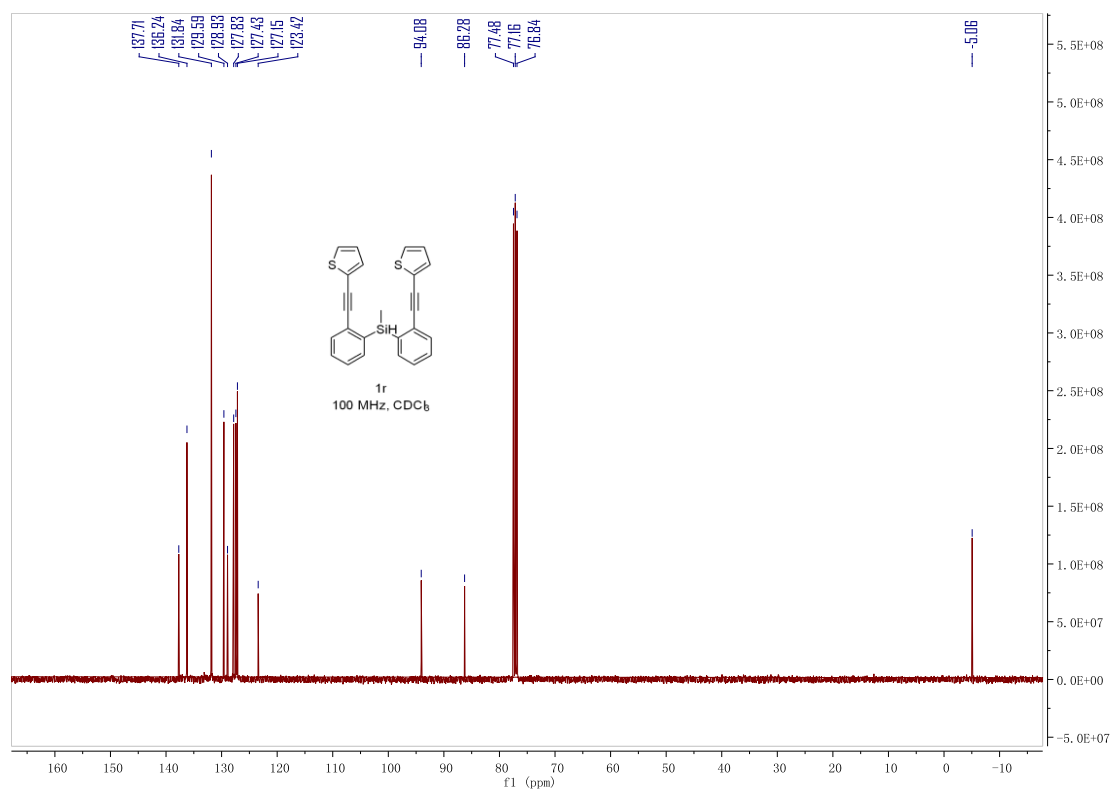


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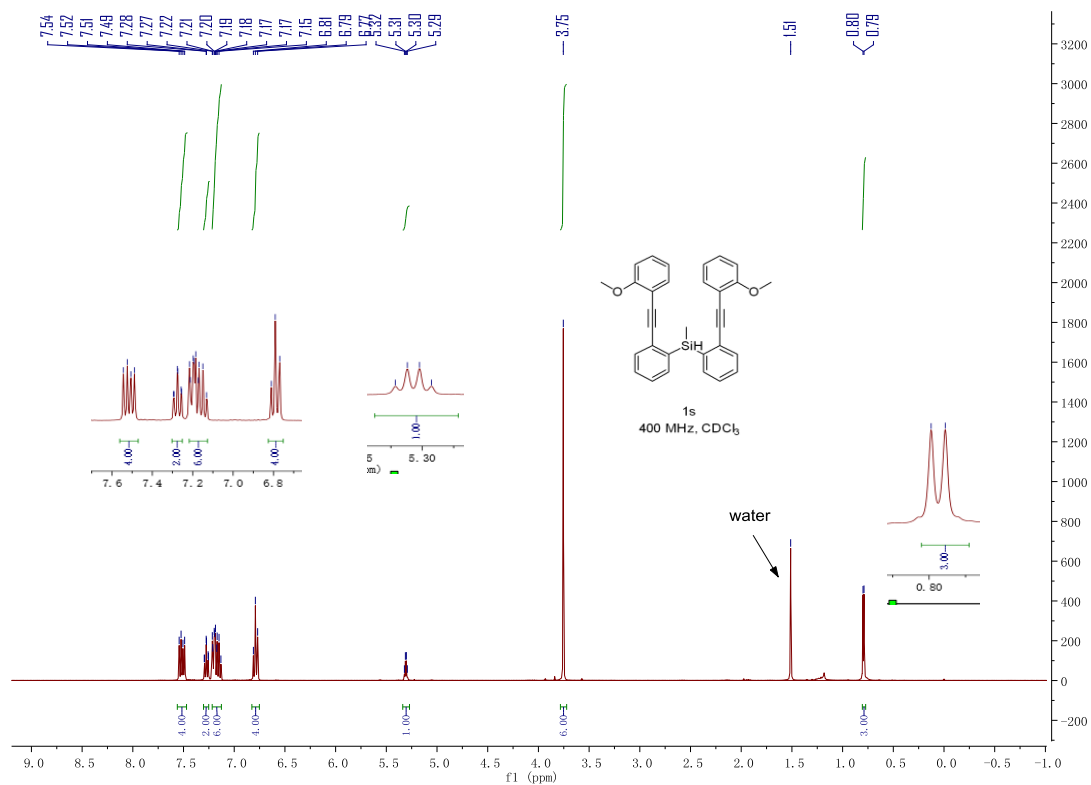


Figure S38. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of compound **1s**, related to **Scheme 2**

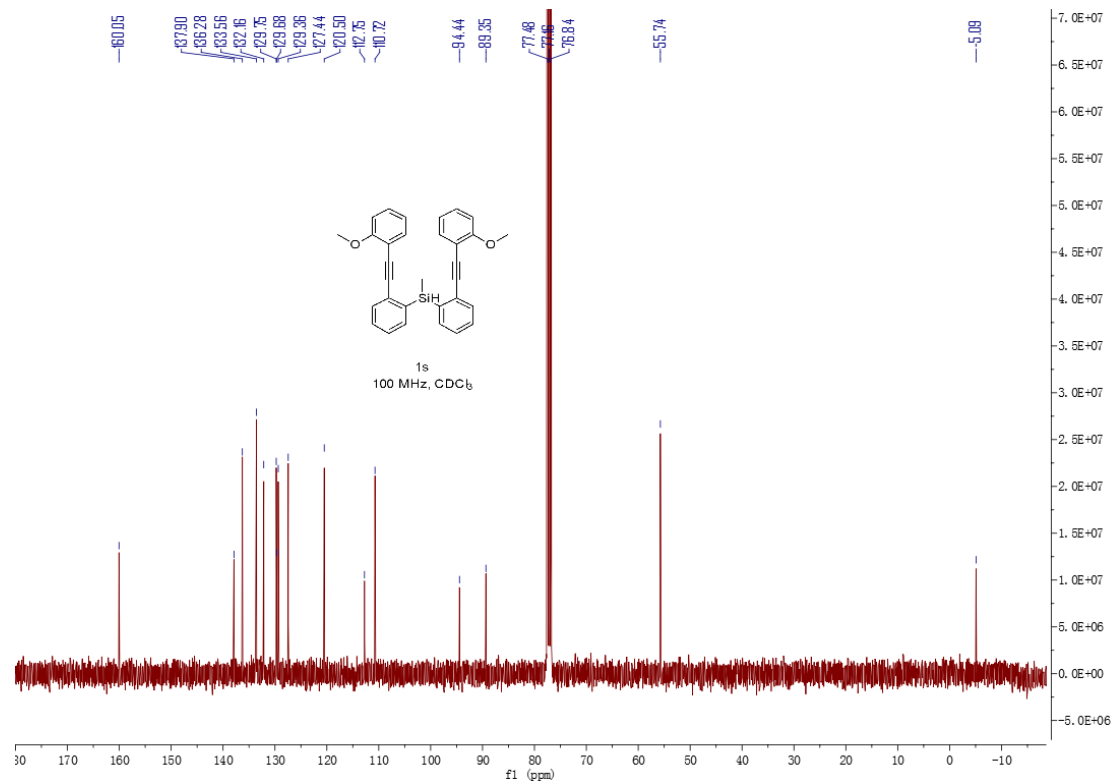


Figure S39. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of compound **1s**, related to **Scheme 2**

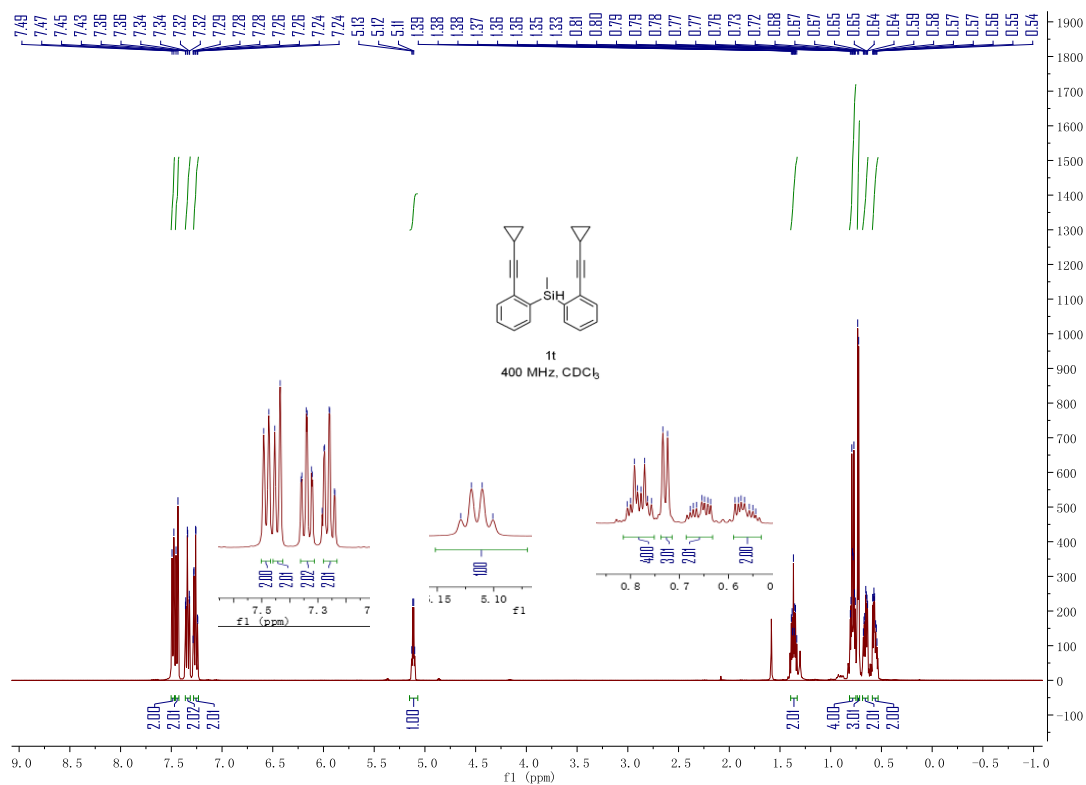


Figure S40. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of compound **1t**, related to **Scheme 2**

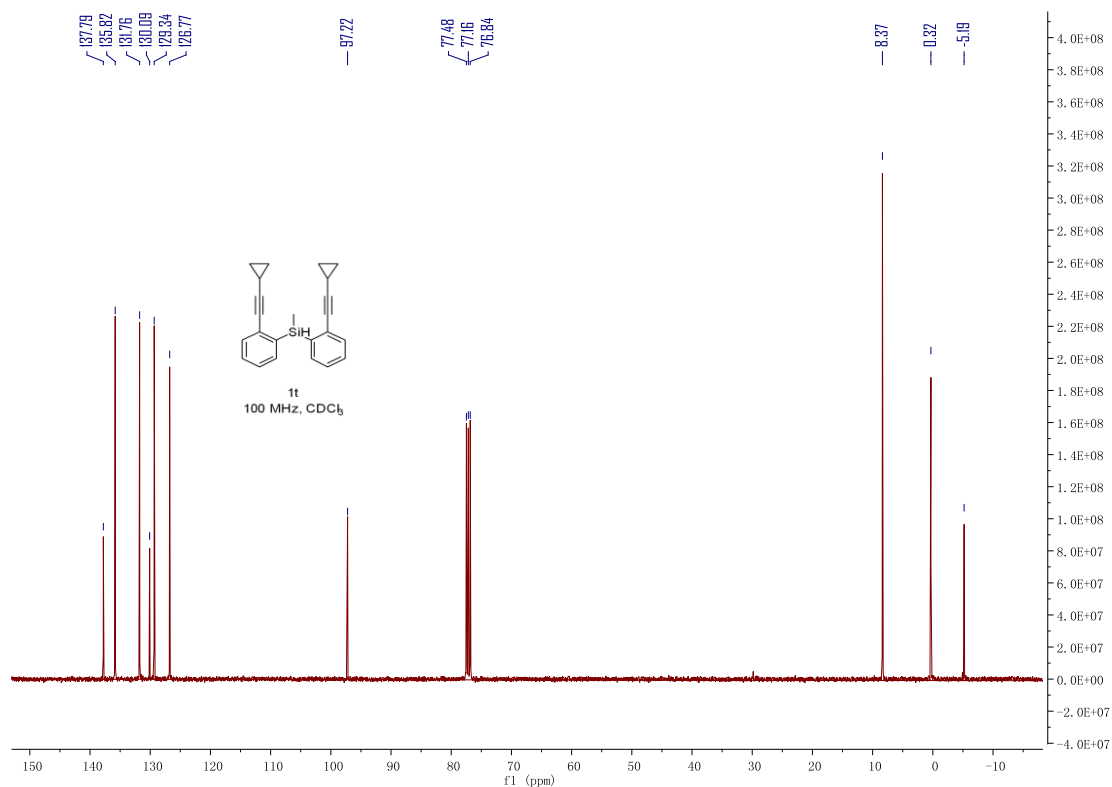


Figure S41. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of compound **1t**, related to **Scheme 2**

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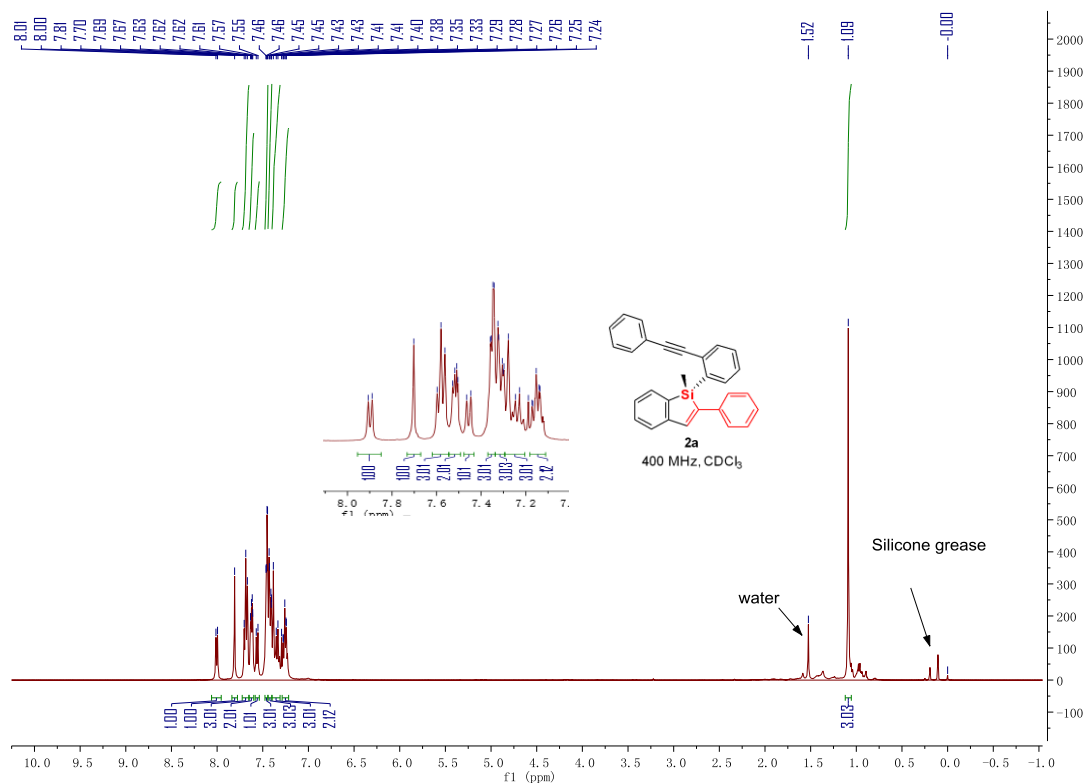


Figure S42. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) spectrum of compound **2a**, related to Scheme 2

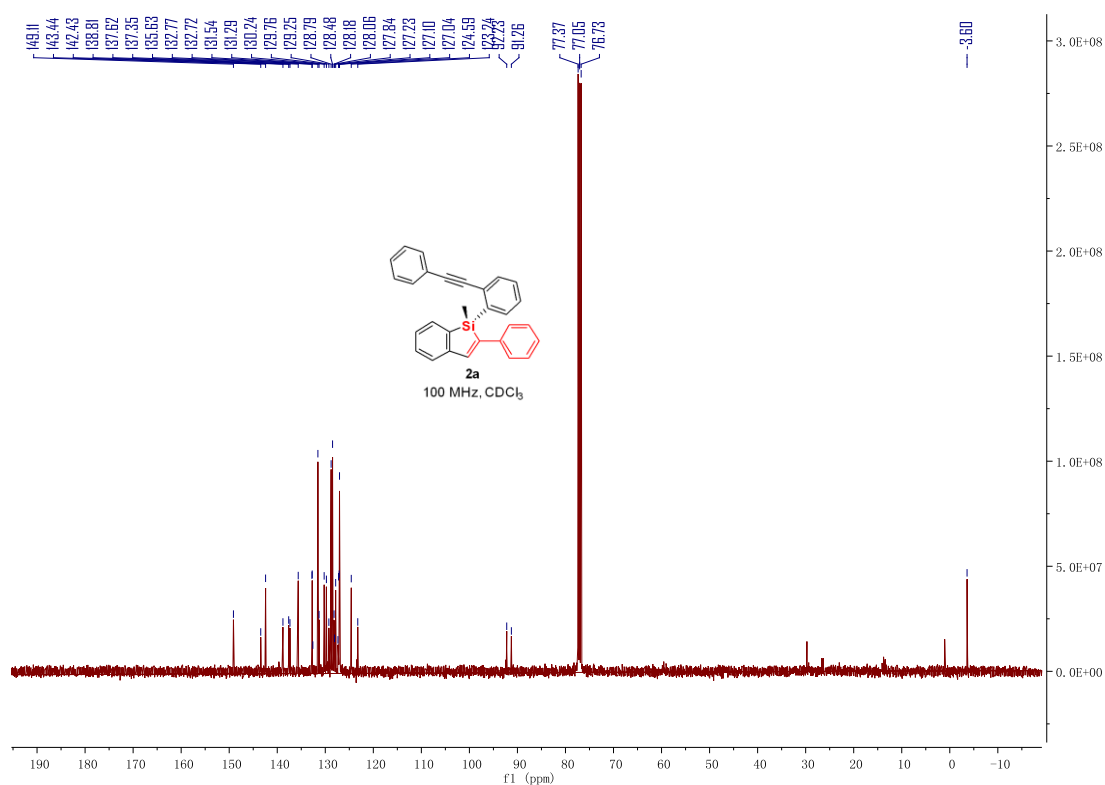
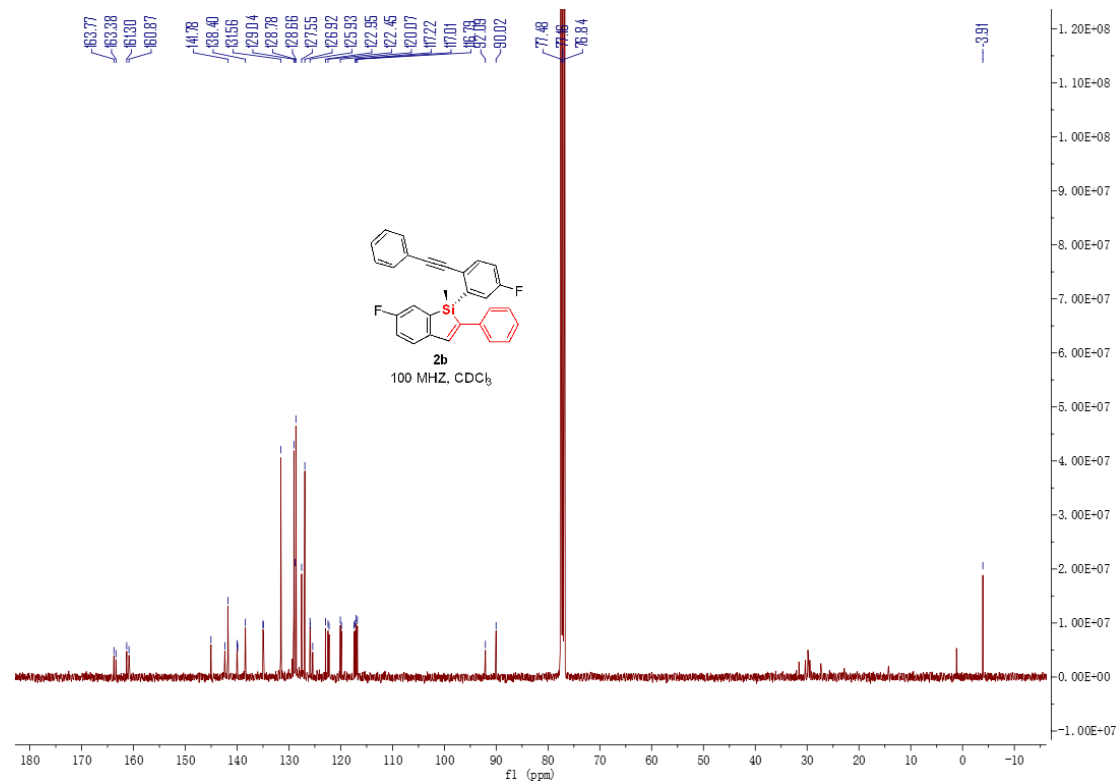
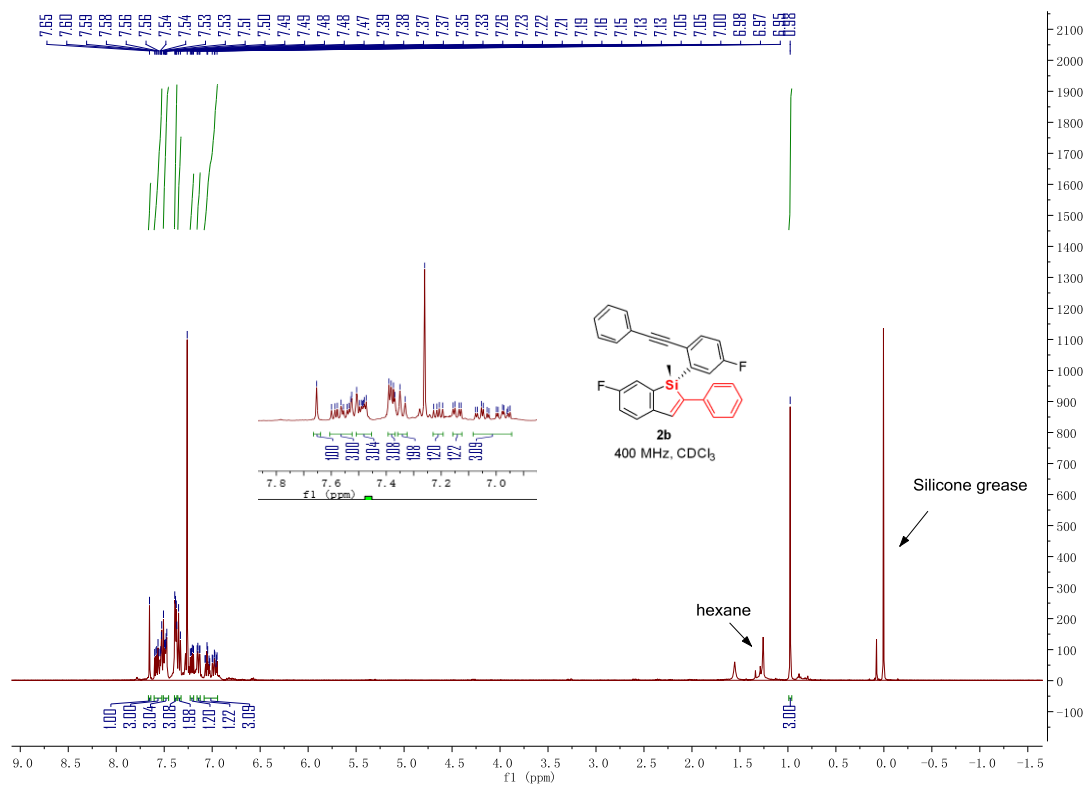


Figure S43. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) spectrum of compound **2a**, related to Scheme 2



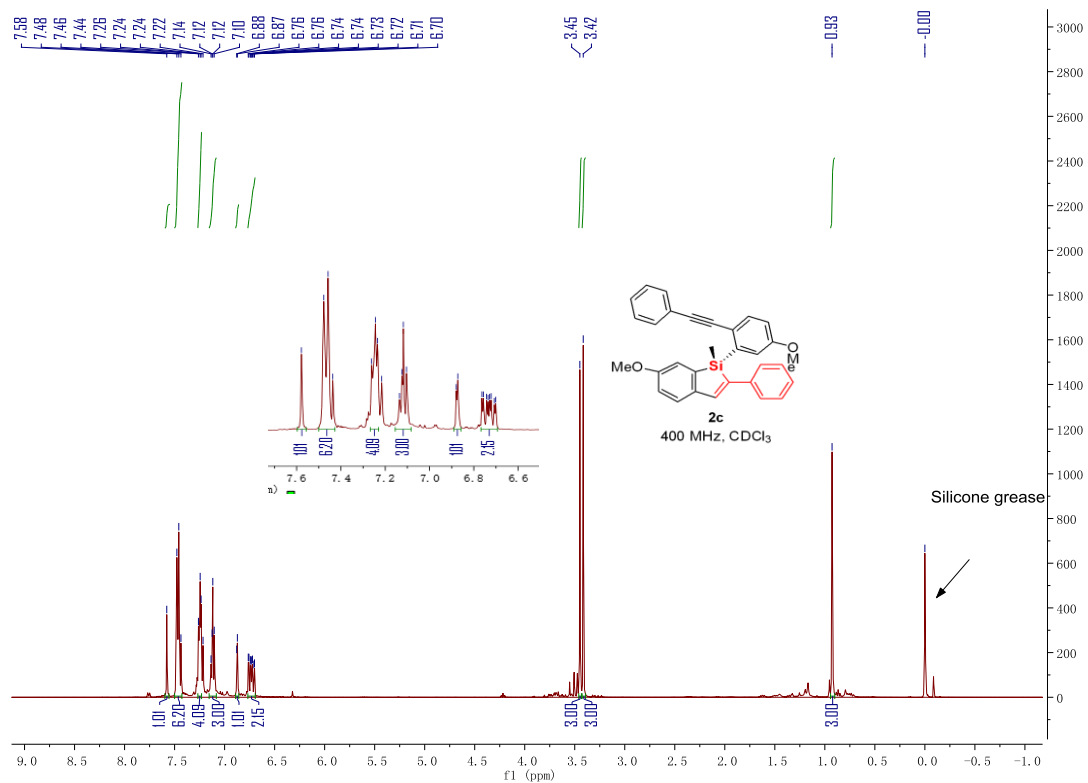


Figure S46. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of compound **2c**, related to **Scheme 2**

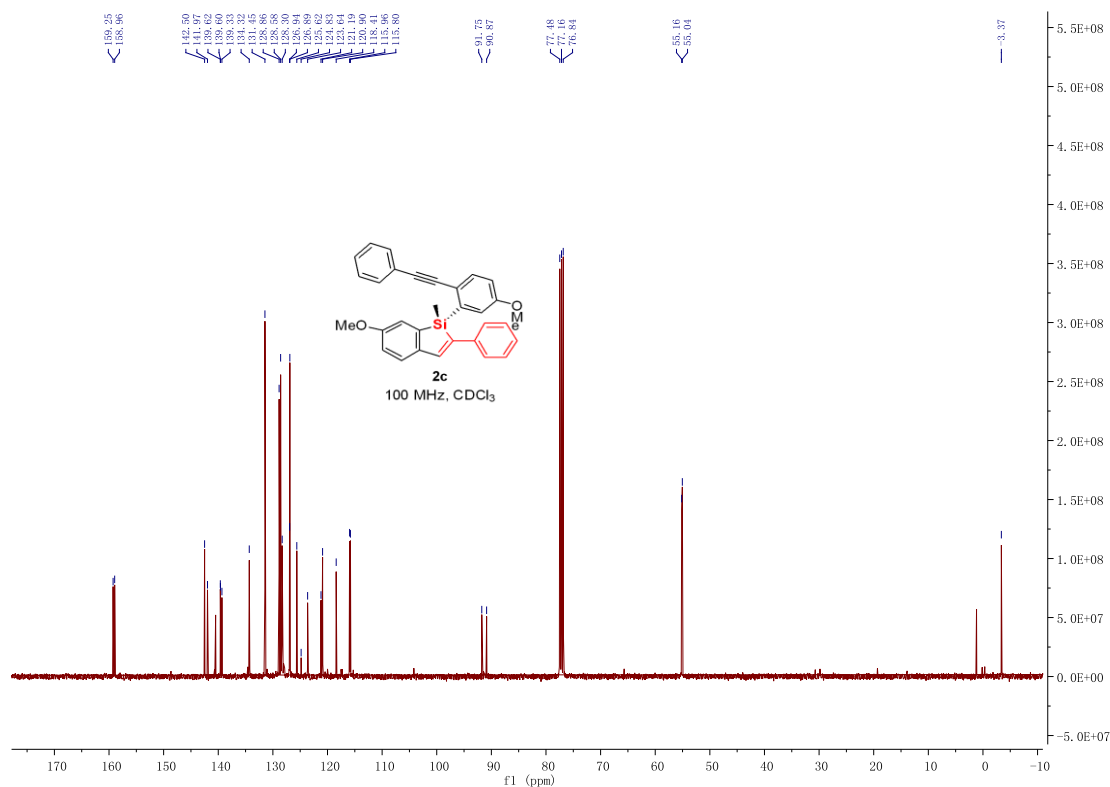


Figure S47. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of compound **2c**, related to **Scheme 2**

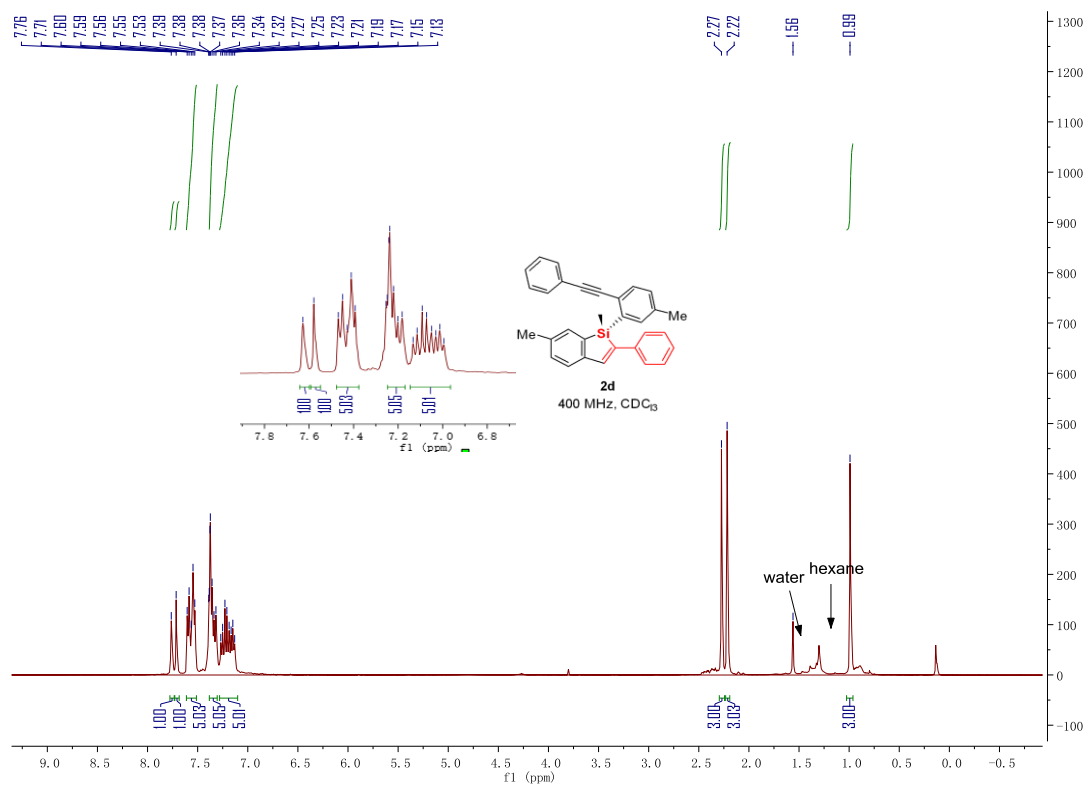


Figure S48. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) spectrum of compound **2d**, related to **Scheme 2**

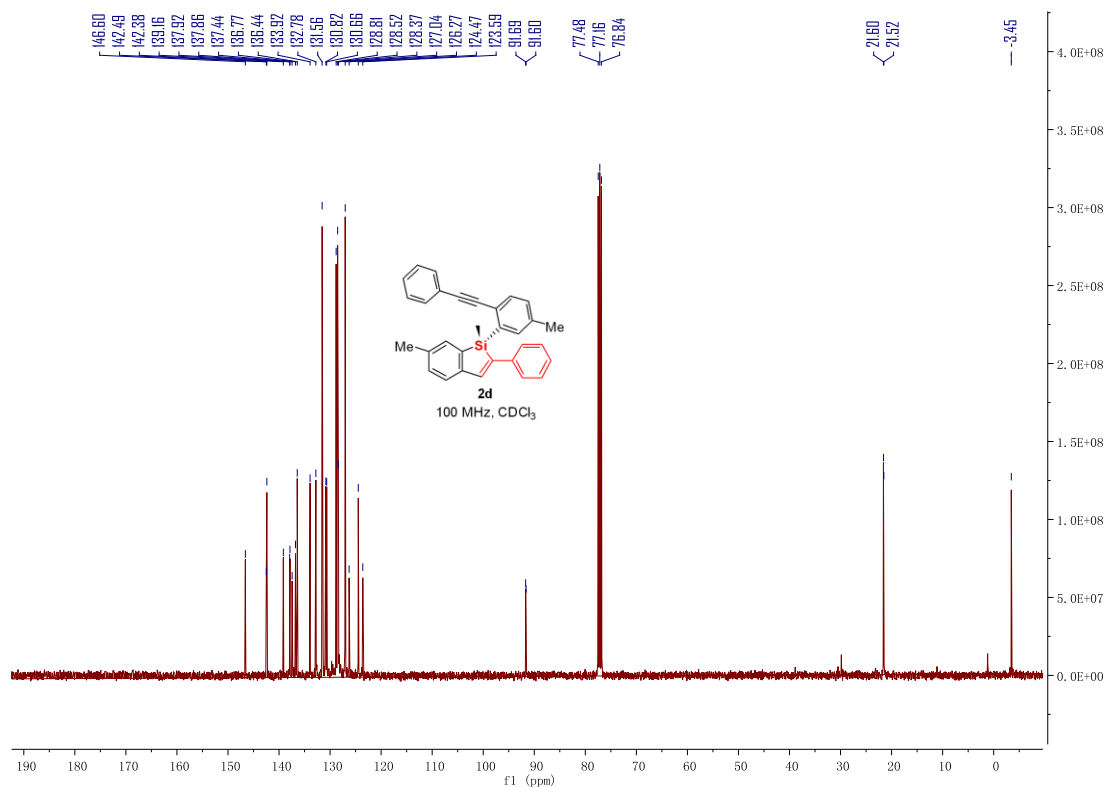


Figure S49 ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) spectrum of compound **2d**, related to **Scheme 2**

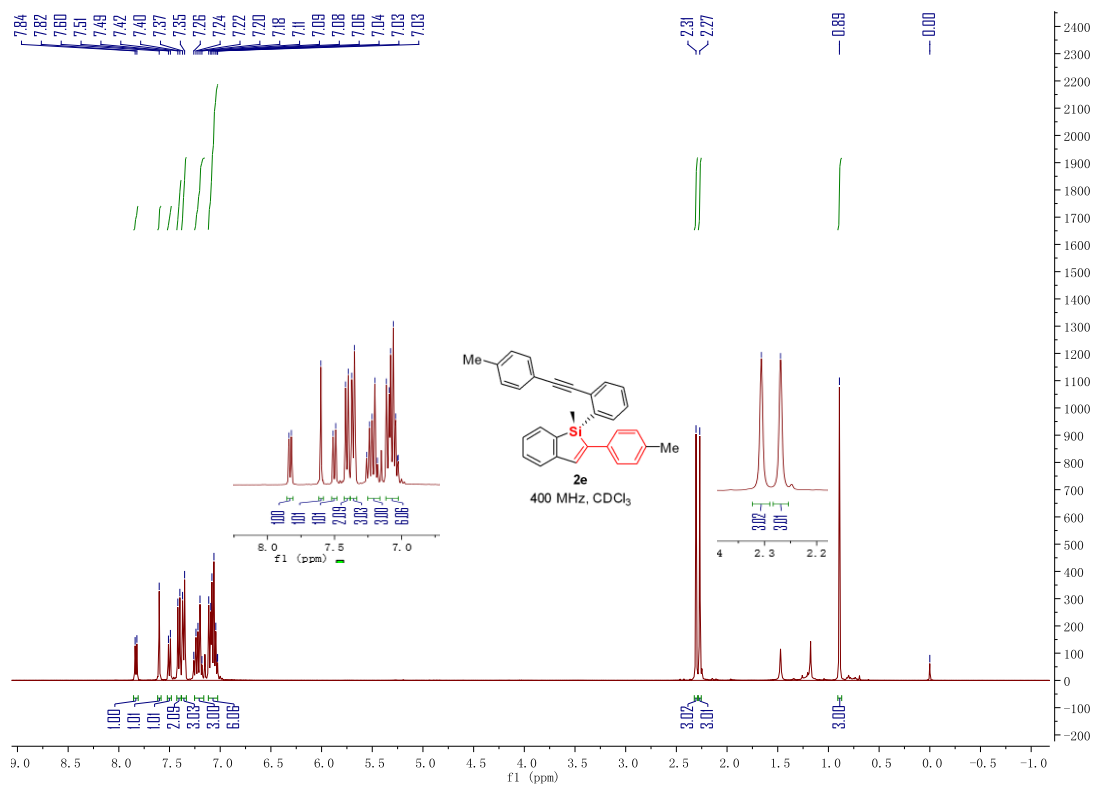


Figure S50. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) spectrum of compound **2e**, related to **Scheme 2**

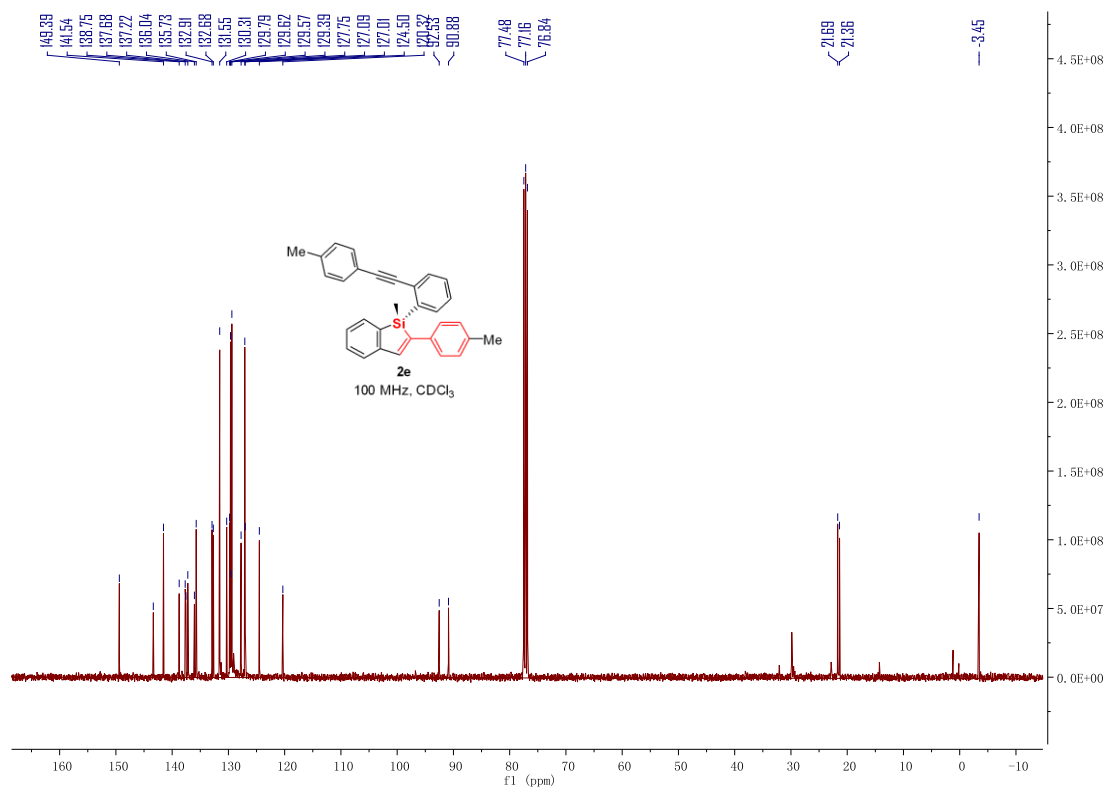


Figure S51. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) spectrum of compound **2e**, related to **Scheme 2**

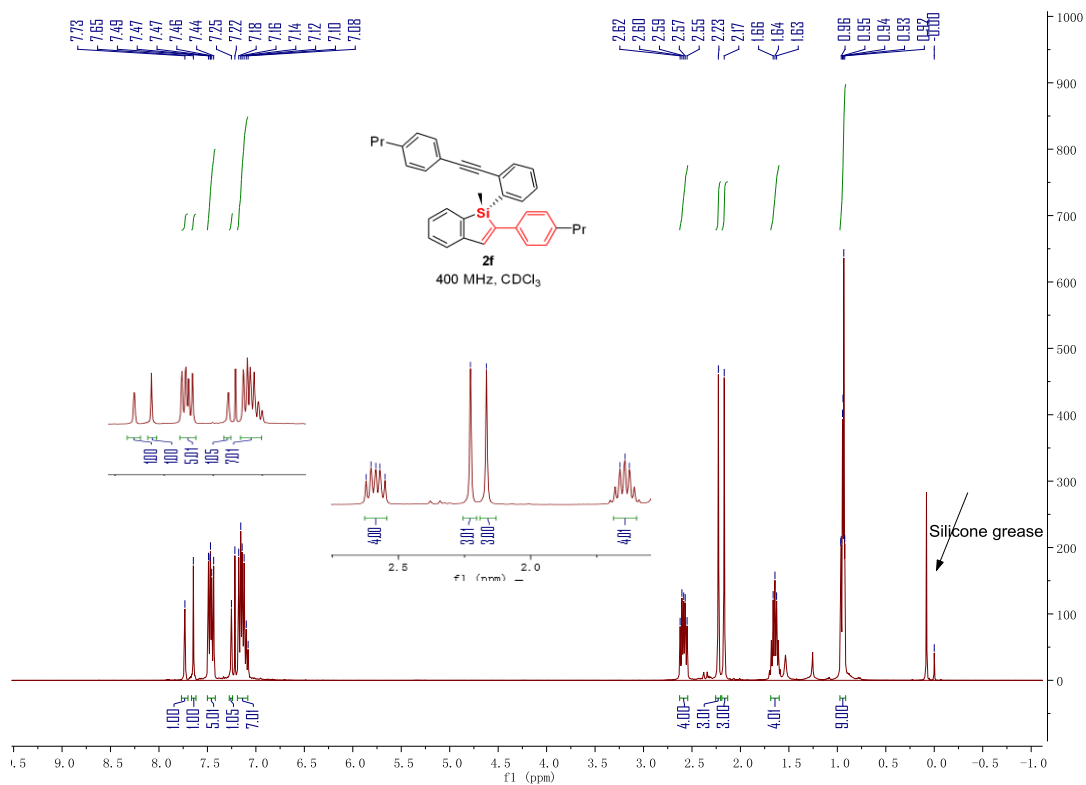


Figure S52. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of compound **2f**, related to Scheme 2

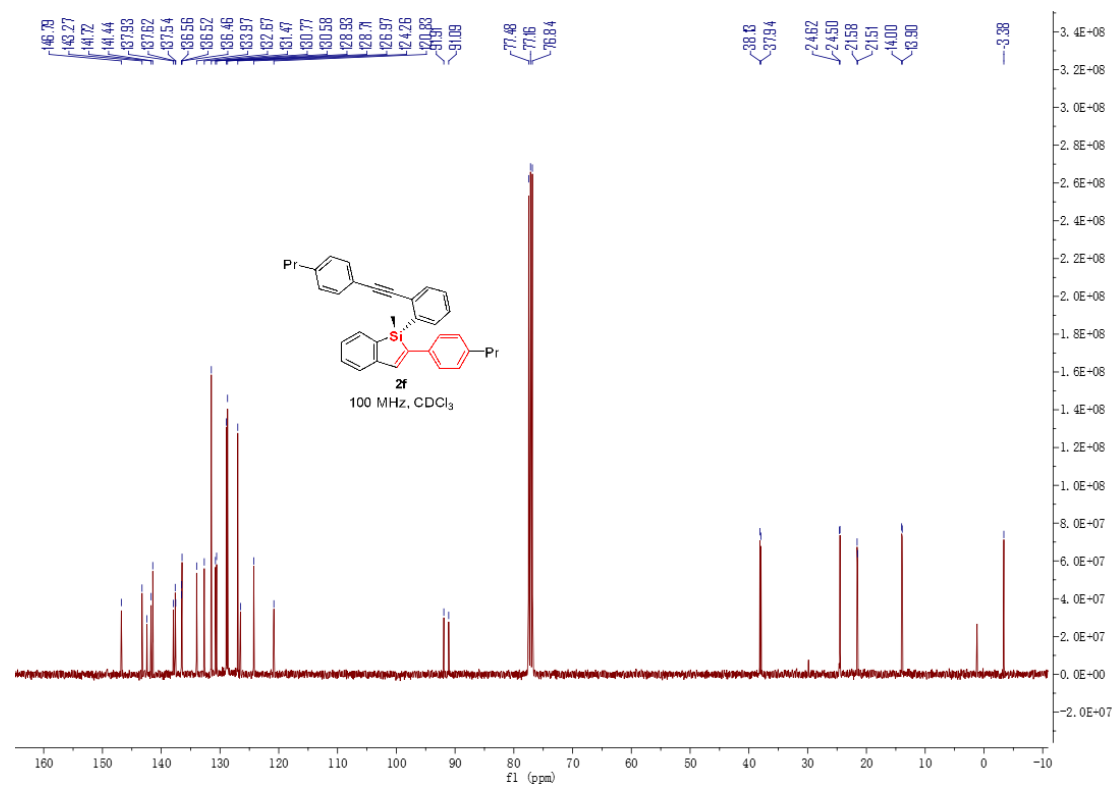


Figure S53. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of compound **2f**, related to Scheme 2

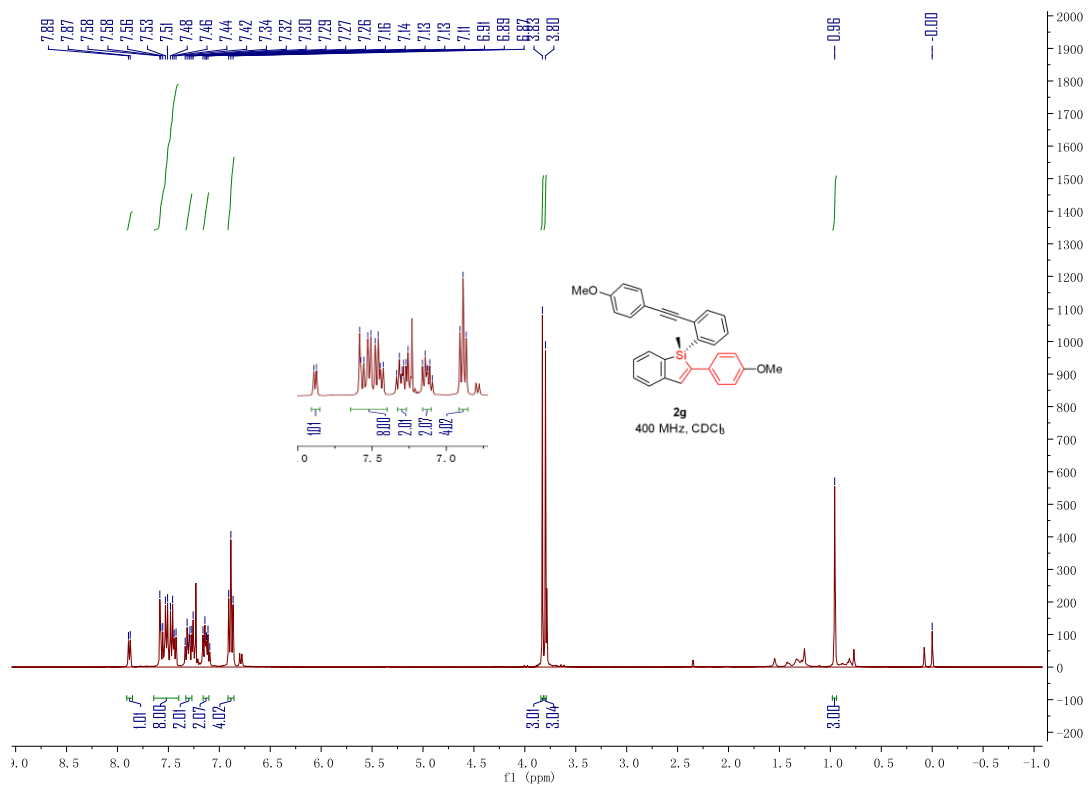


Figure S54. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) spectrum of compound **2g**, related to Scheme 2

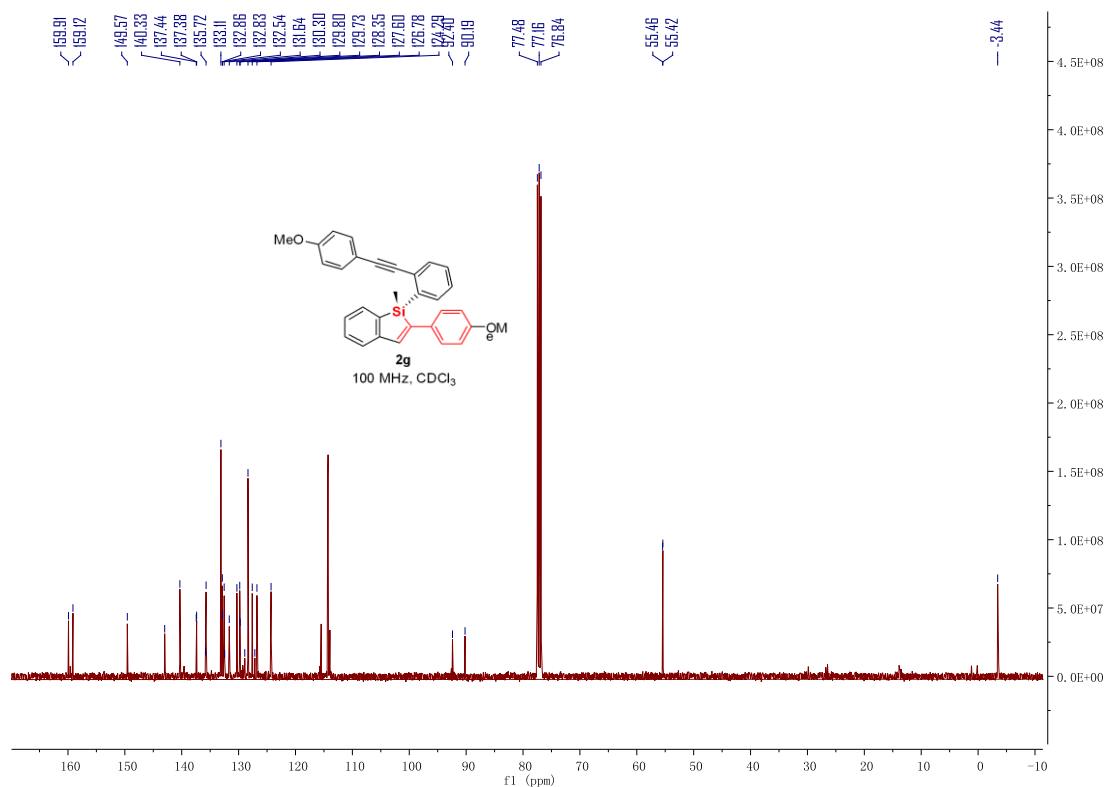


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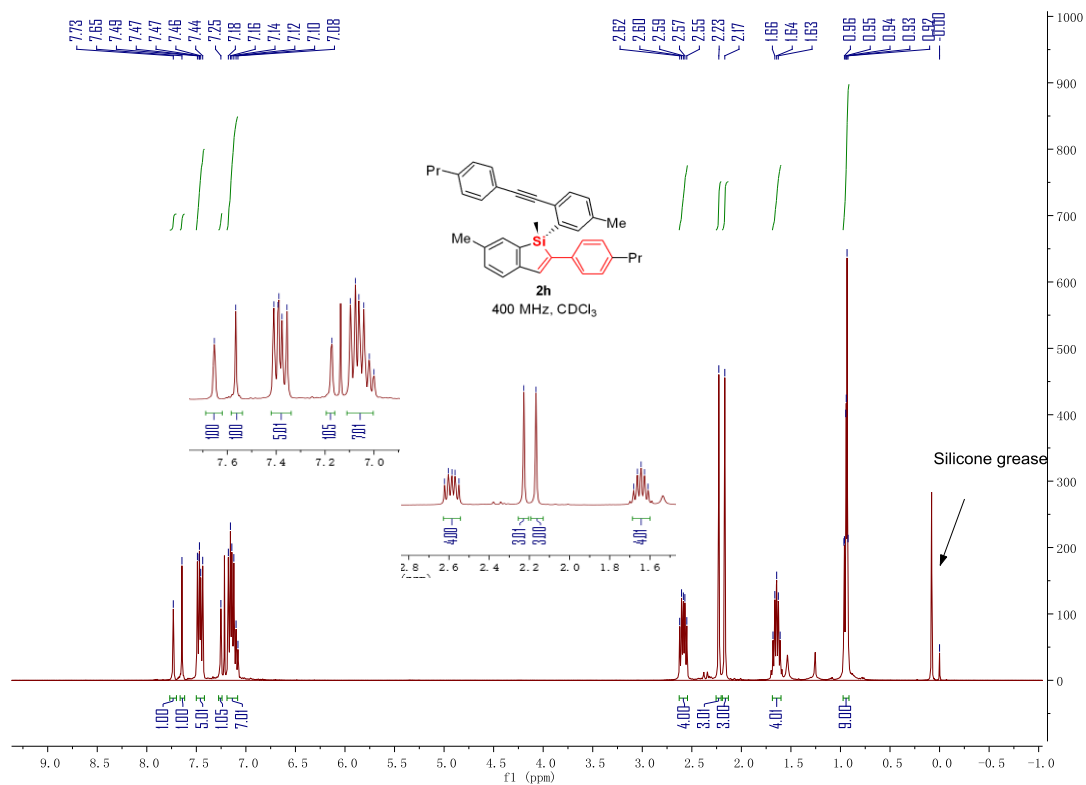


Figure S56. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of compound **2h**, related to Scheme 2

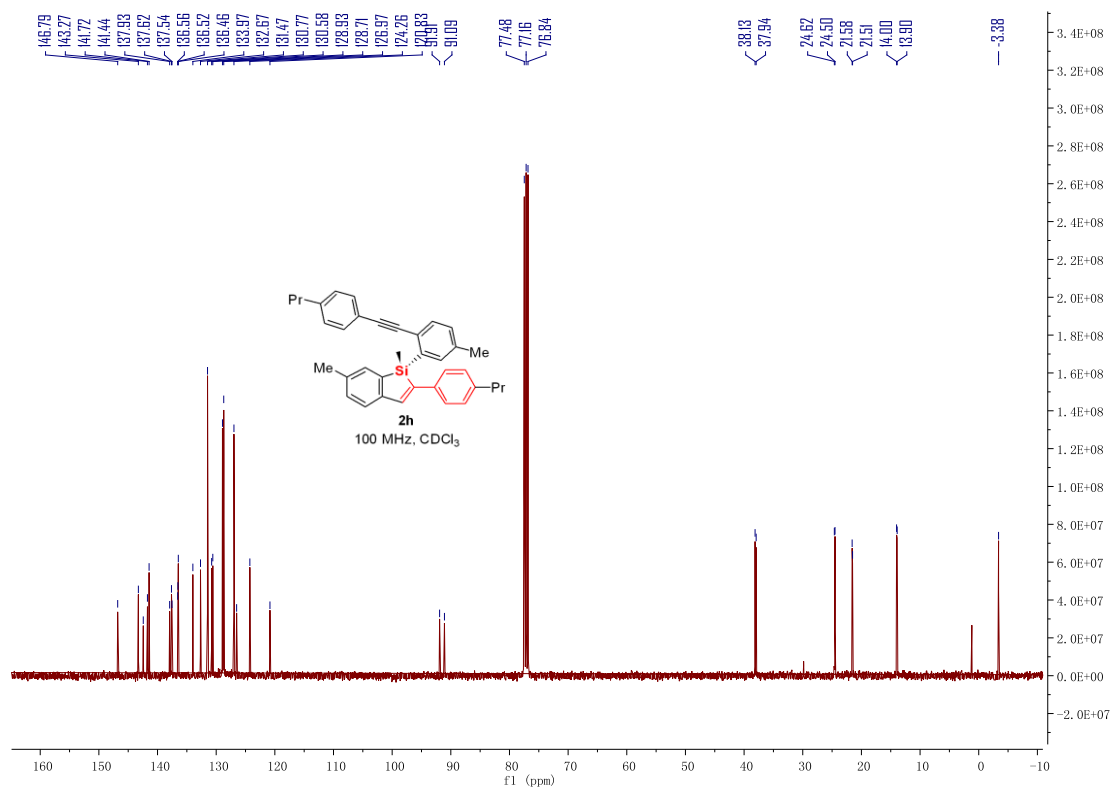


Figure S57. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of compound **2h**, related to Scheme 2

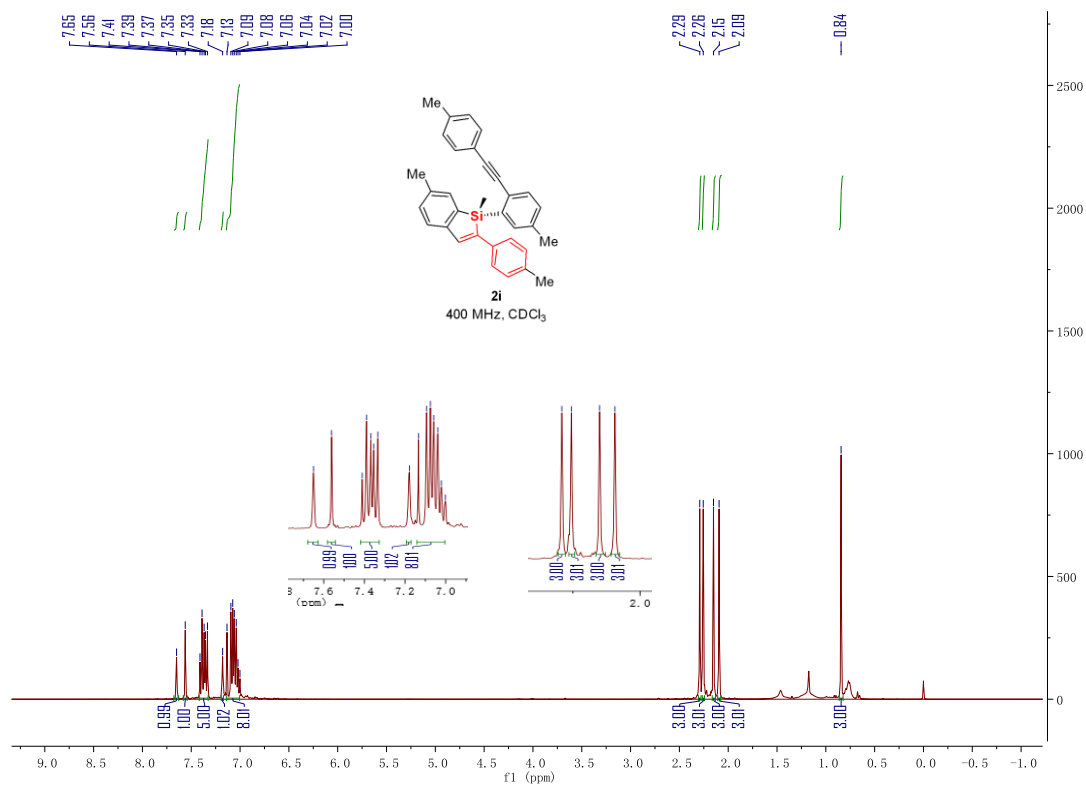


Figure S58. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of compound **2i**, related to Scheme 2

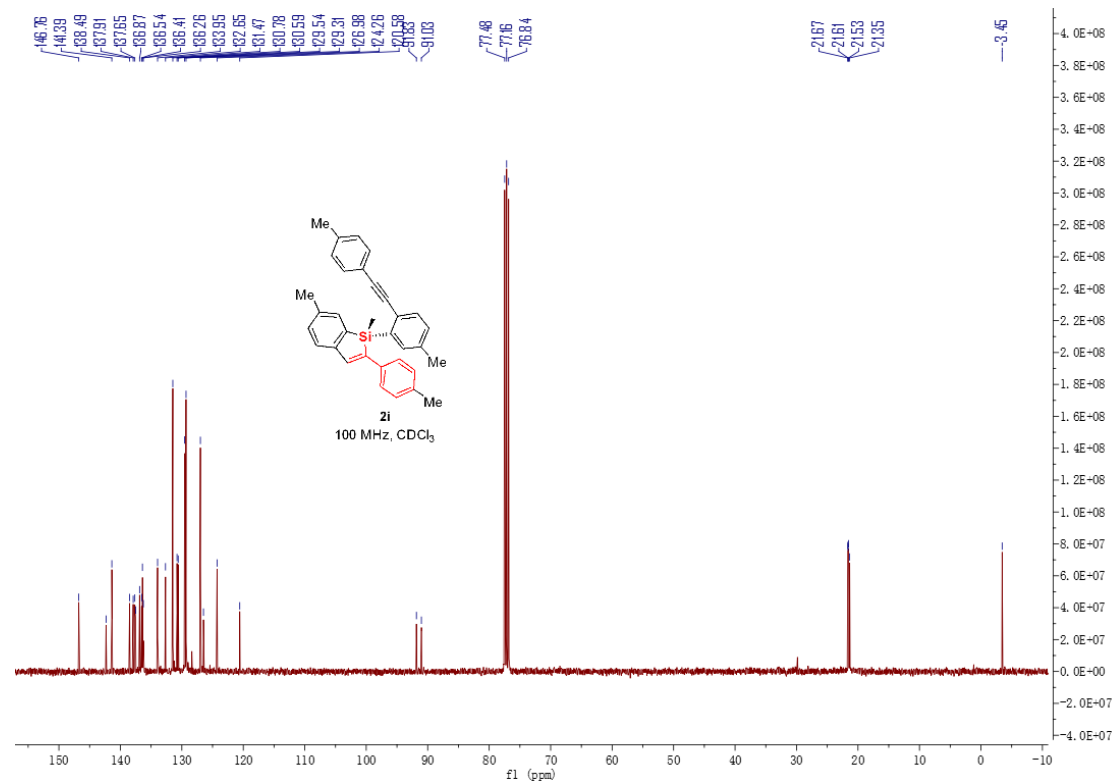
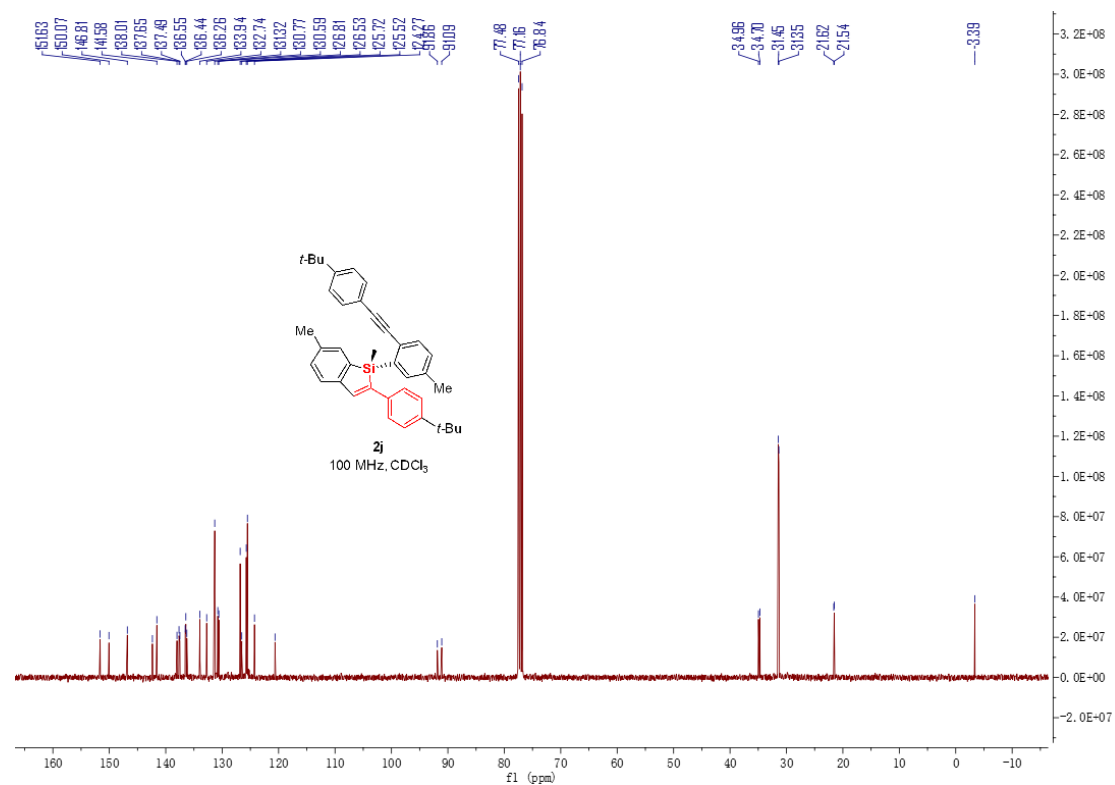
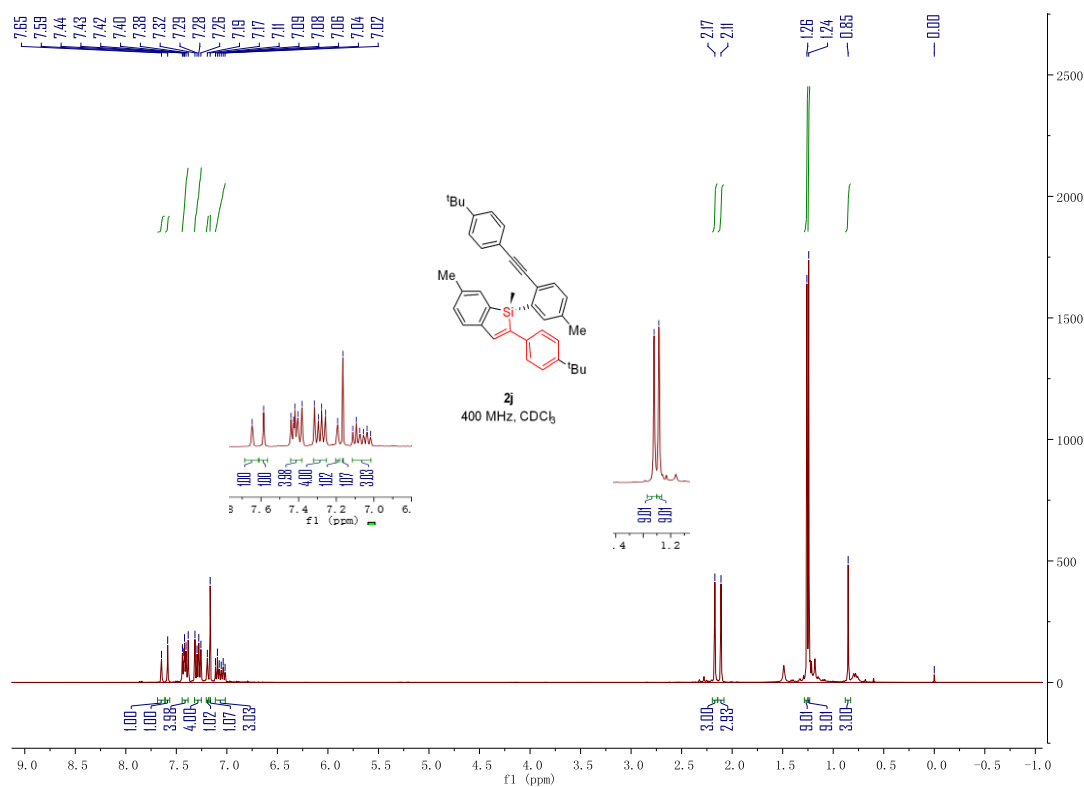


Figure S59. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of compound **2i**, related to Scheme 2



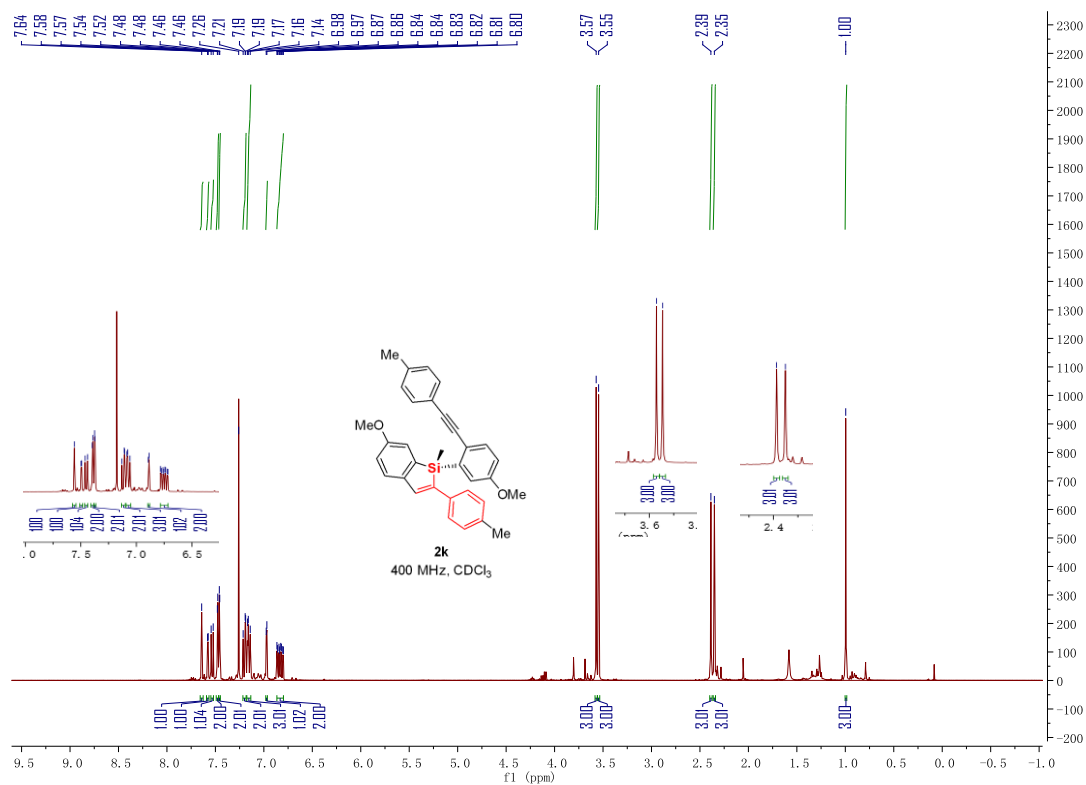


Figure S62. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) spectrum of compound **2k**, related to Scheme 2

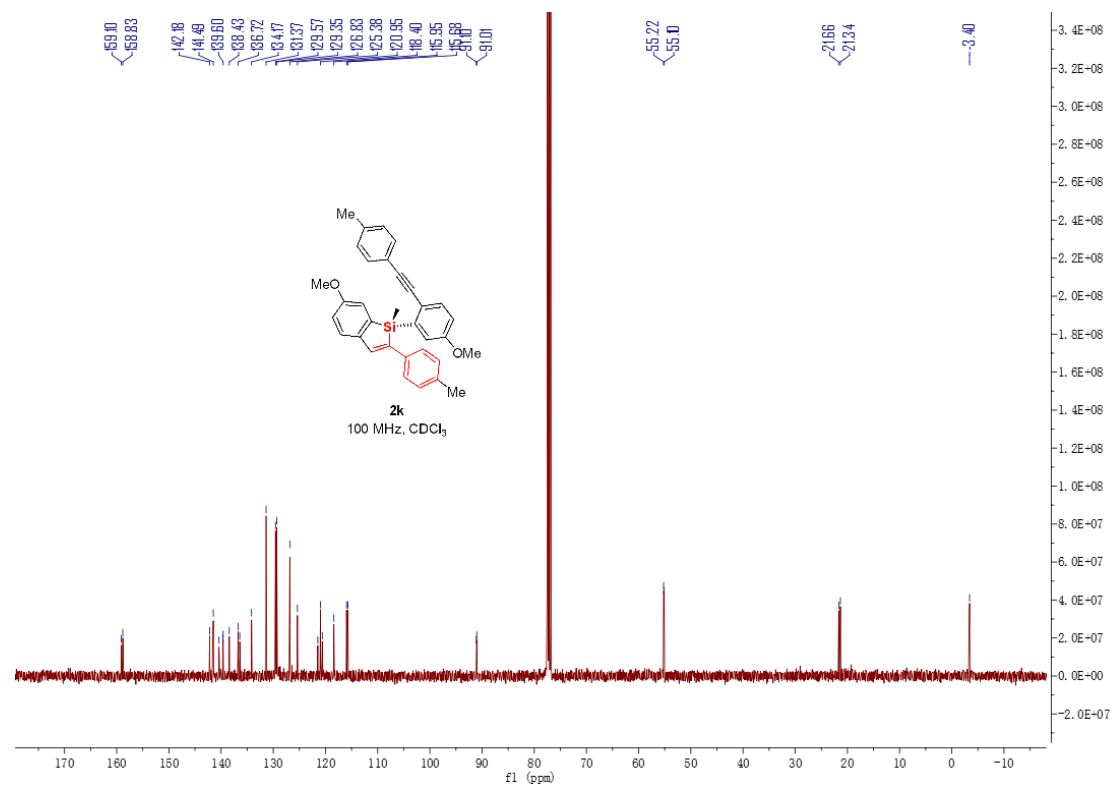
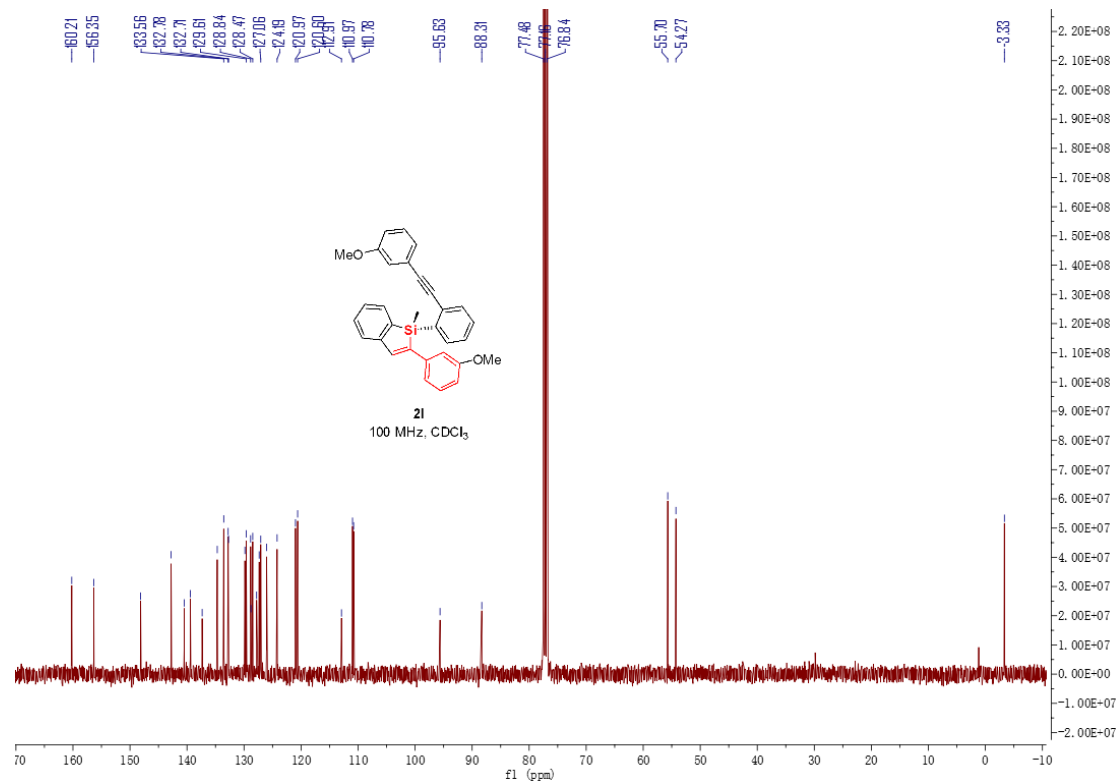
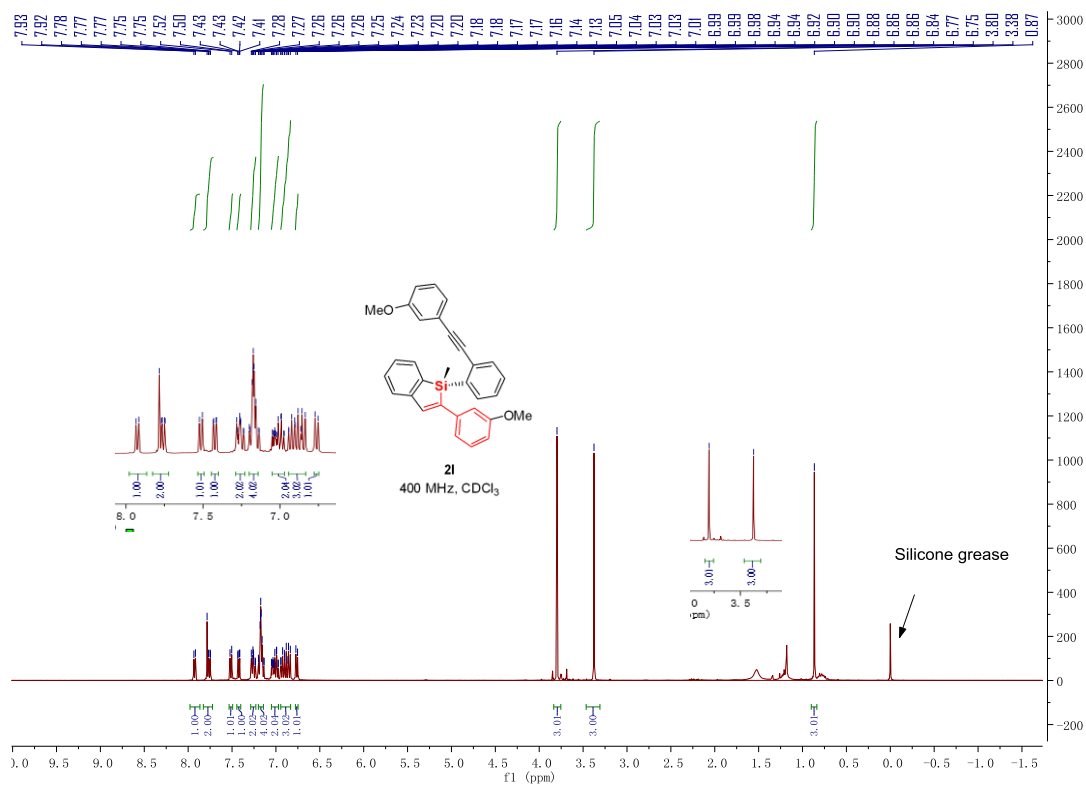


Figure S63. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) spectrum of compound **2k**, related to Scheme 2



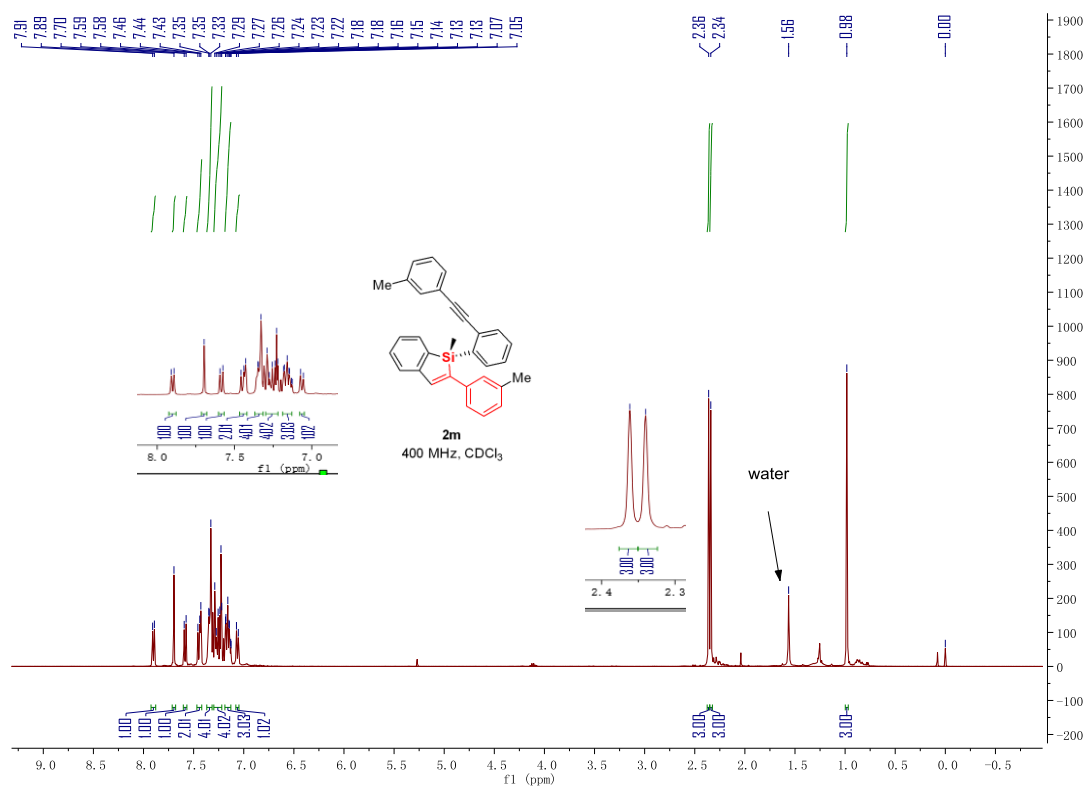


Figure S66. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of compound **2m**, related to Scheme 2

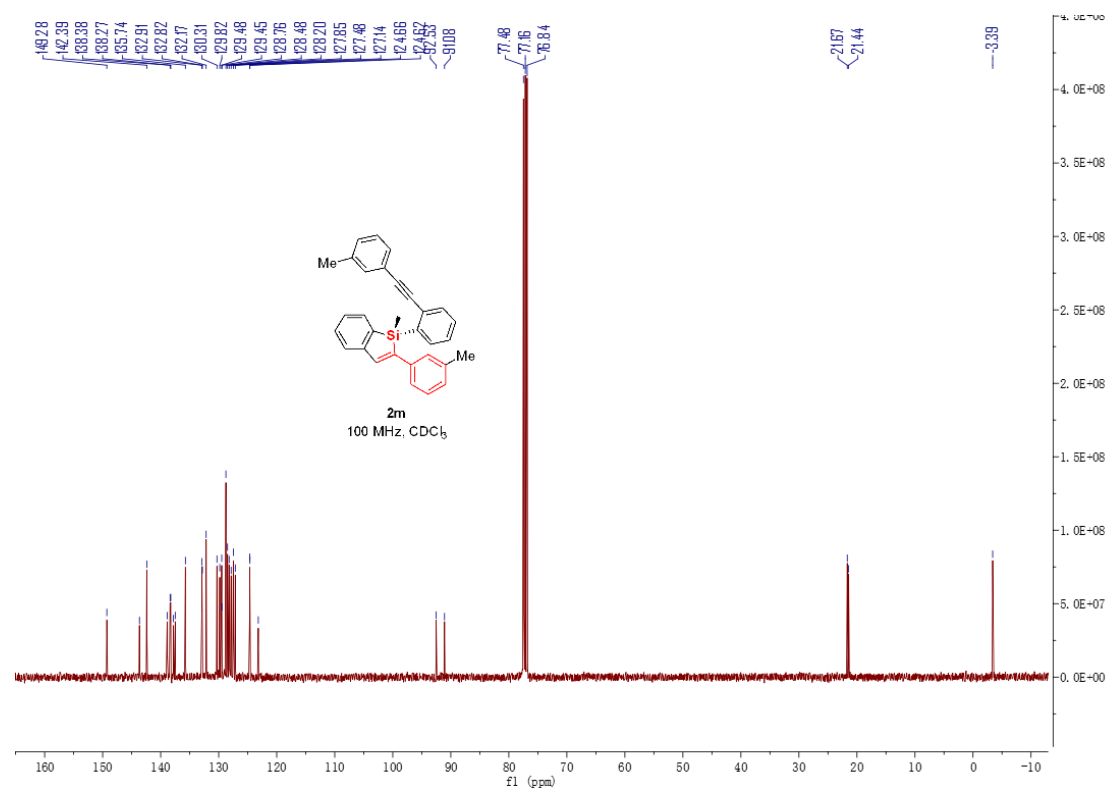
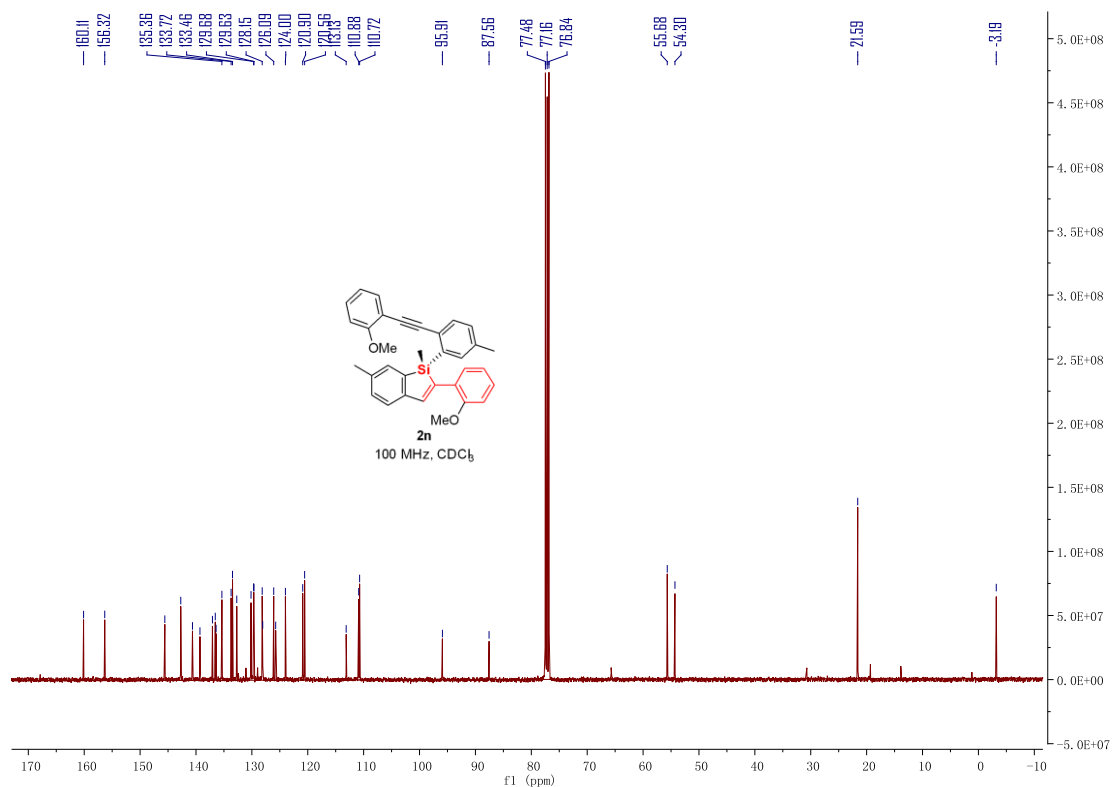
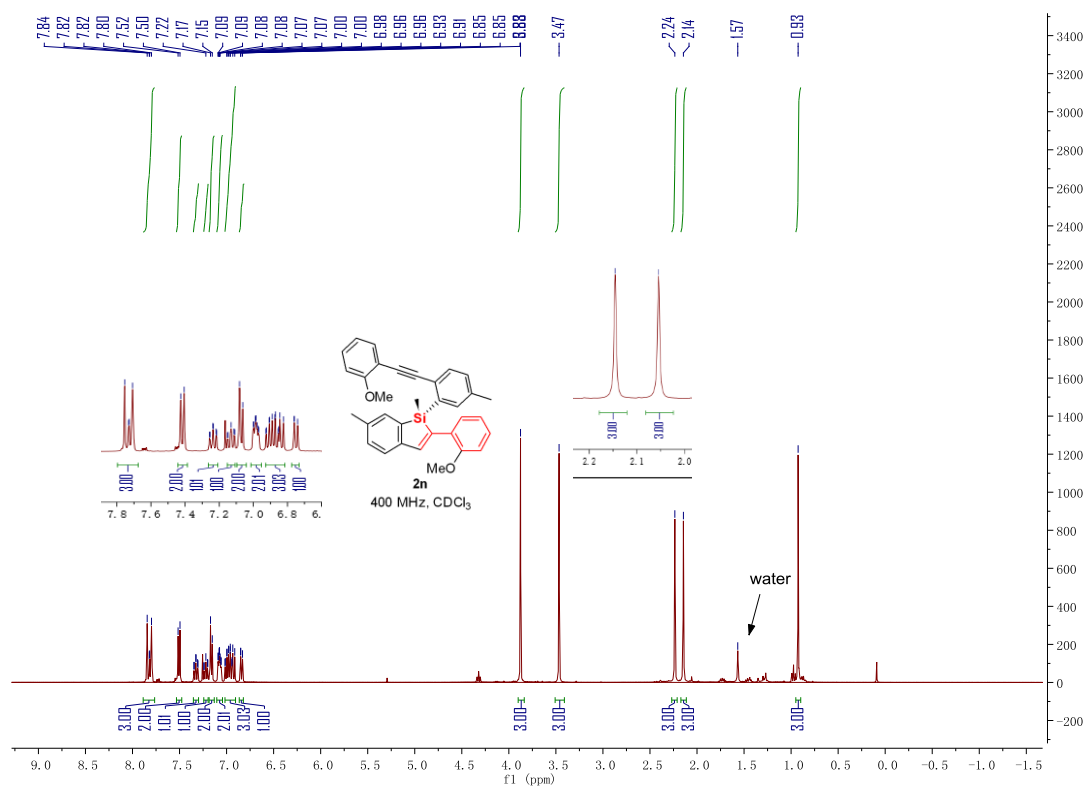


Figure S67. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of compound **2m**, related to Scheme 2



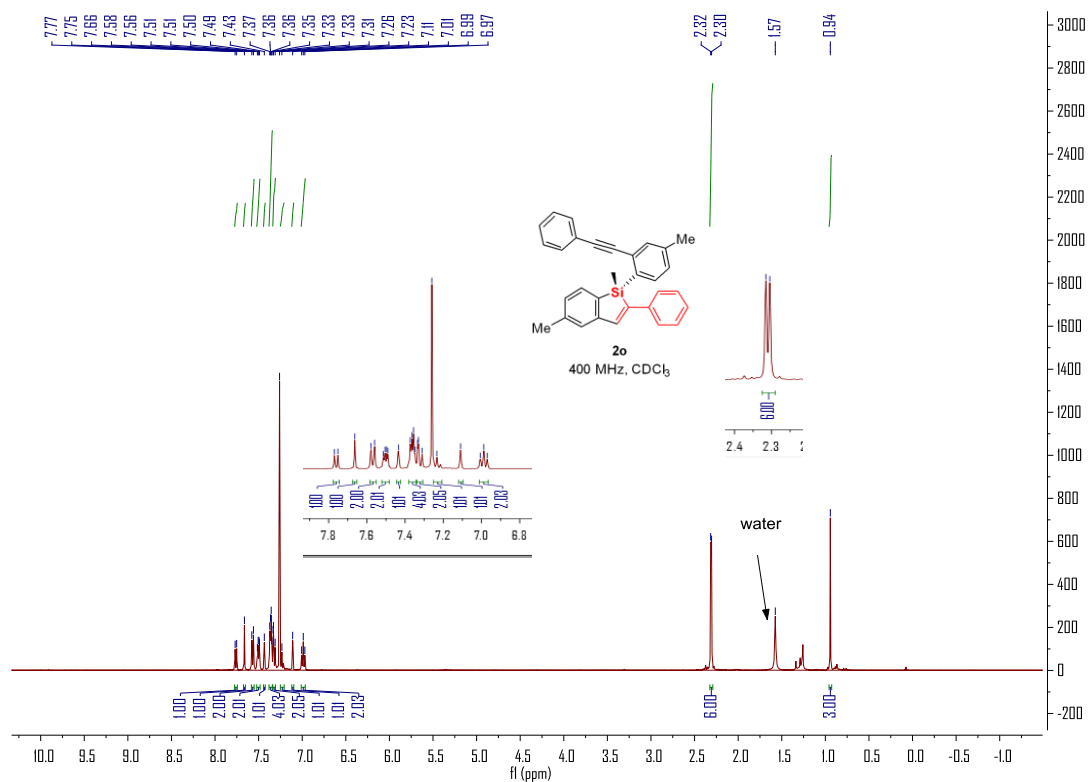


Figure S70. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of compound **2o**, related to **Scheme 2**

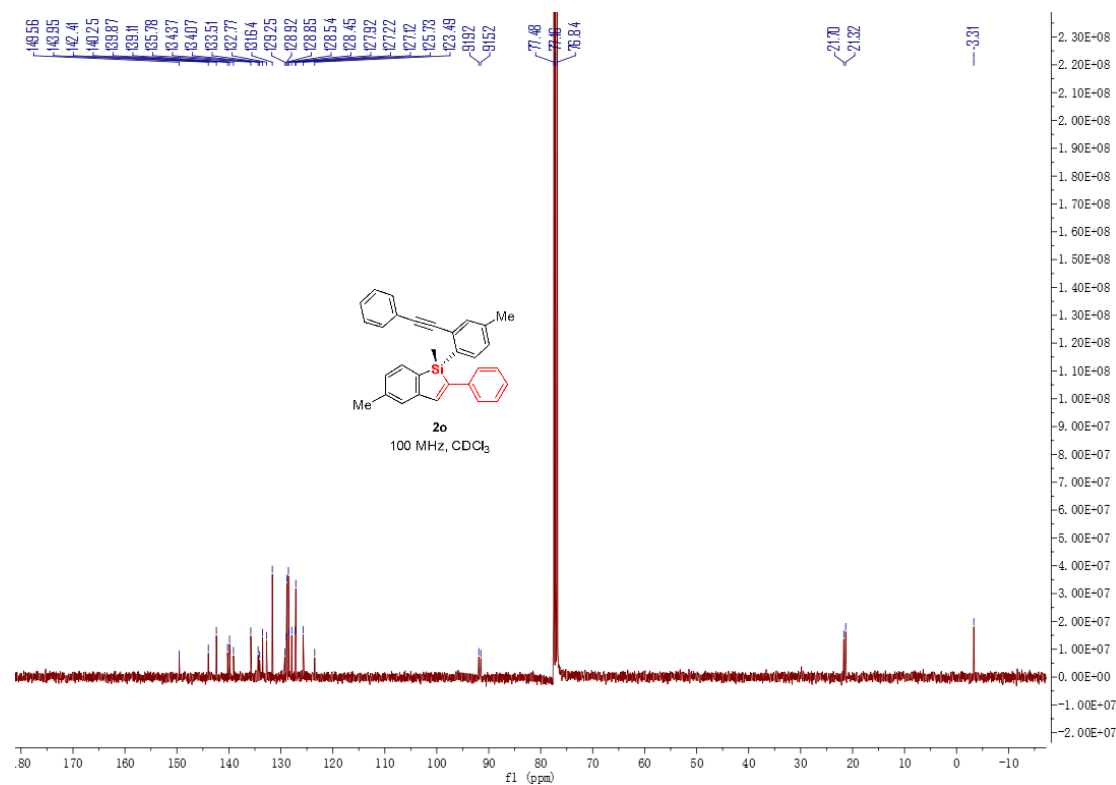


Figure S71. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of compound **2o**, related to **Scheme 2**

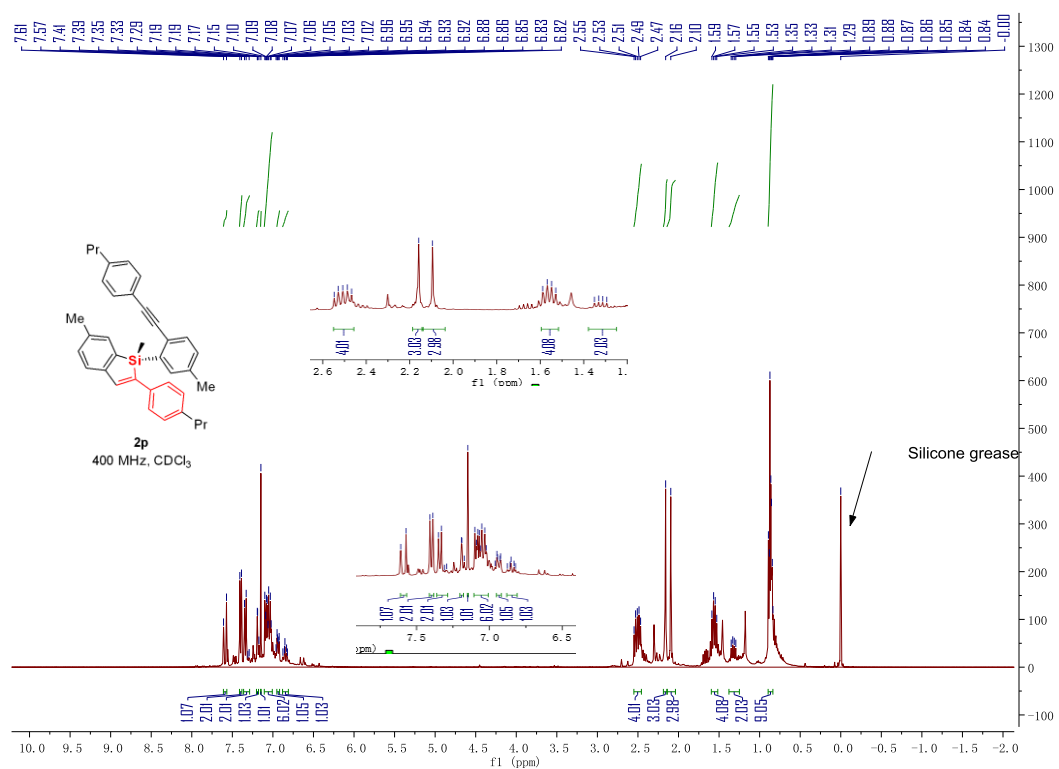


Figure S72. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) spectrum of compound **2p**, related to Scheme 2

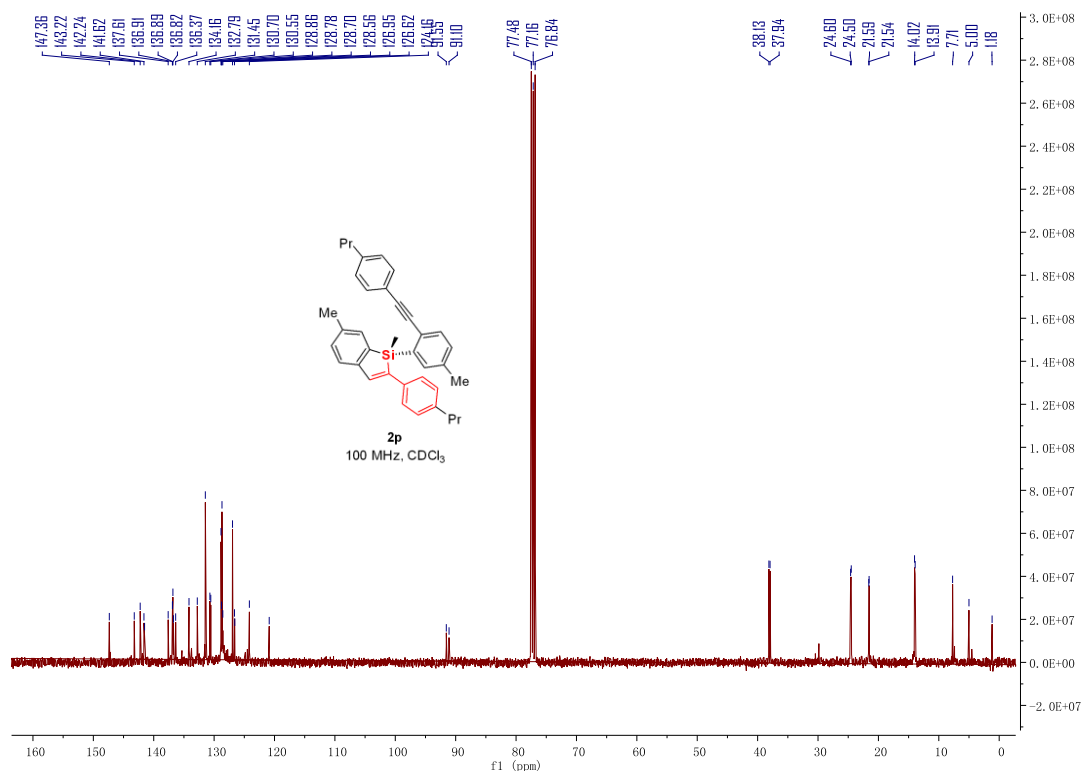


Figure S73. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) spectrum of compound **2p**, related to Scheme 2

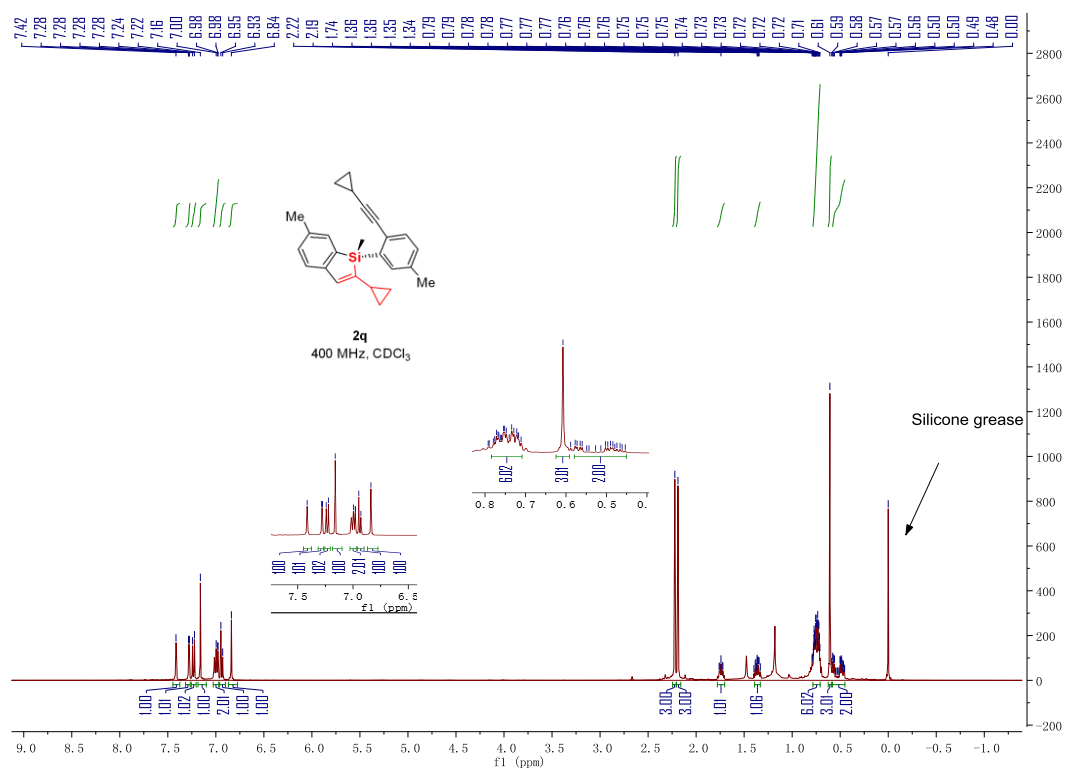


Figure S74. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) spectrum of compound **2q**, related to Scheme 2

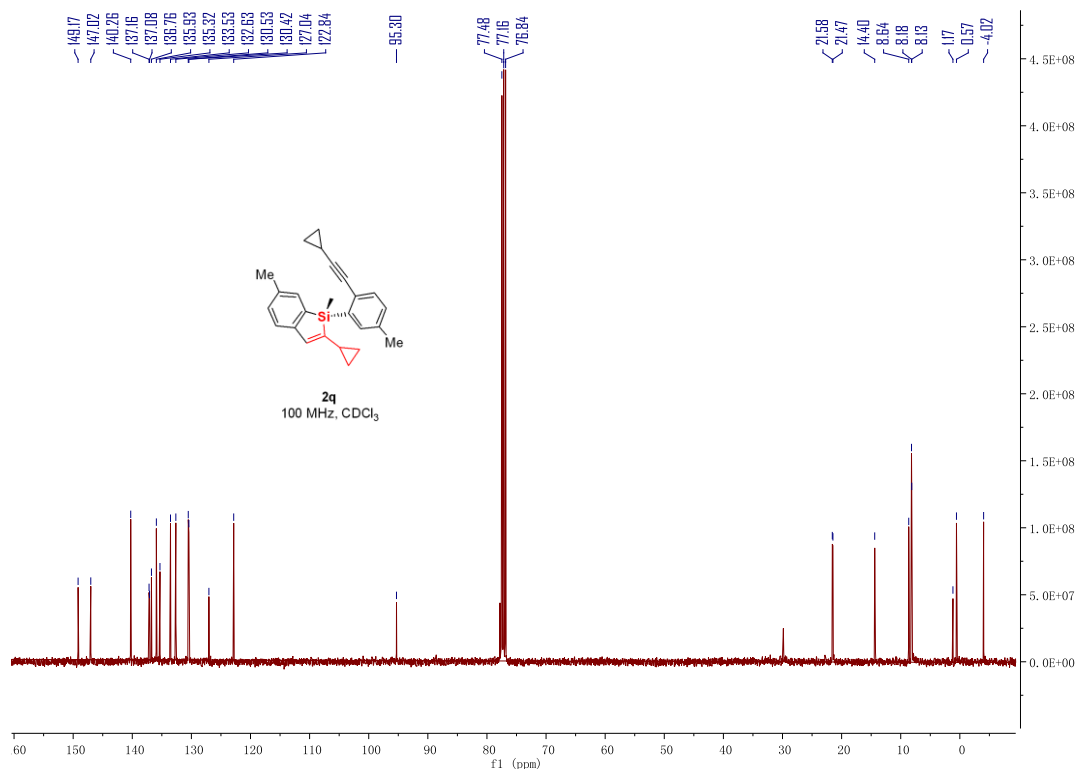


Figure S75. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) spectrum of compound **2q**, related to Scheme 2

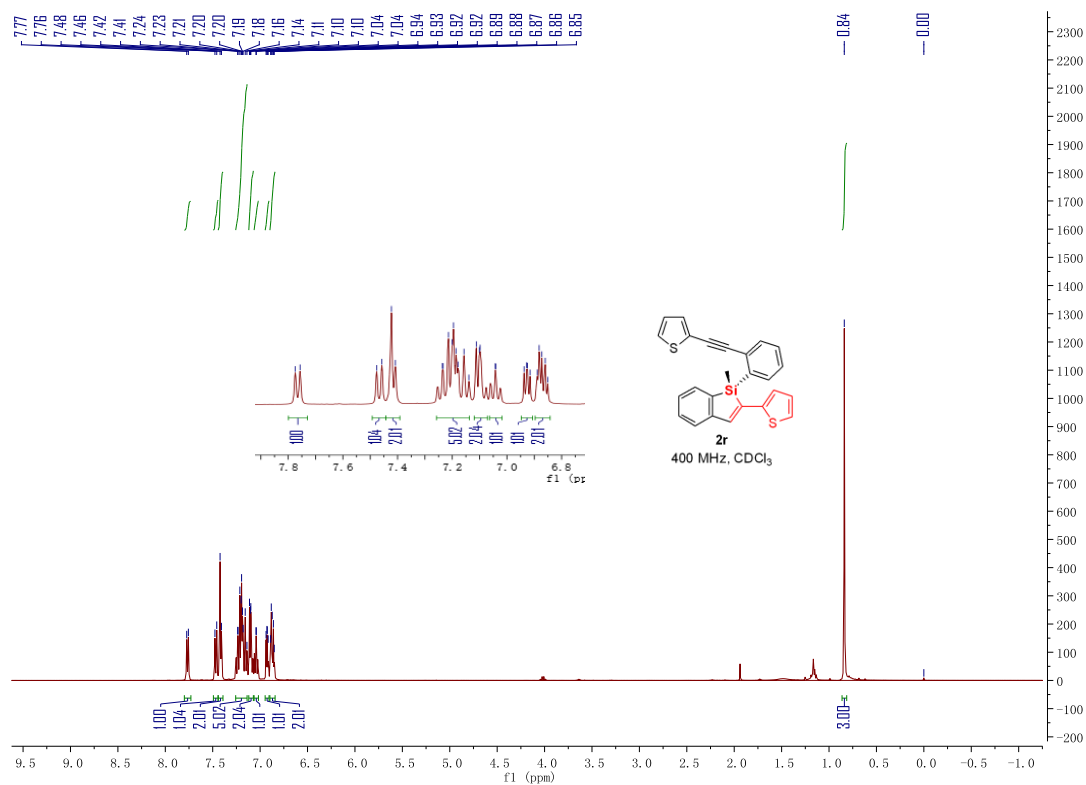


Figure S76. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of compound **2r**, related to Scheme 2

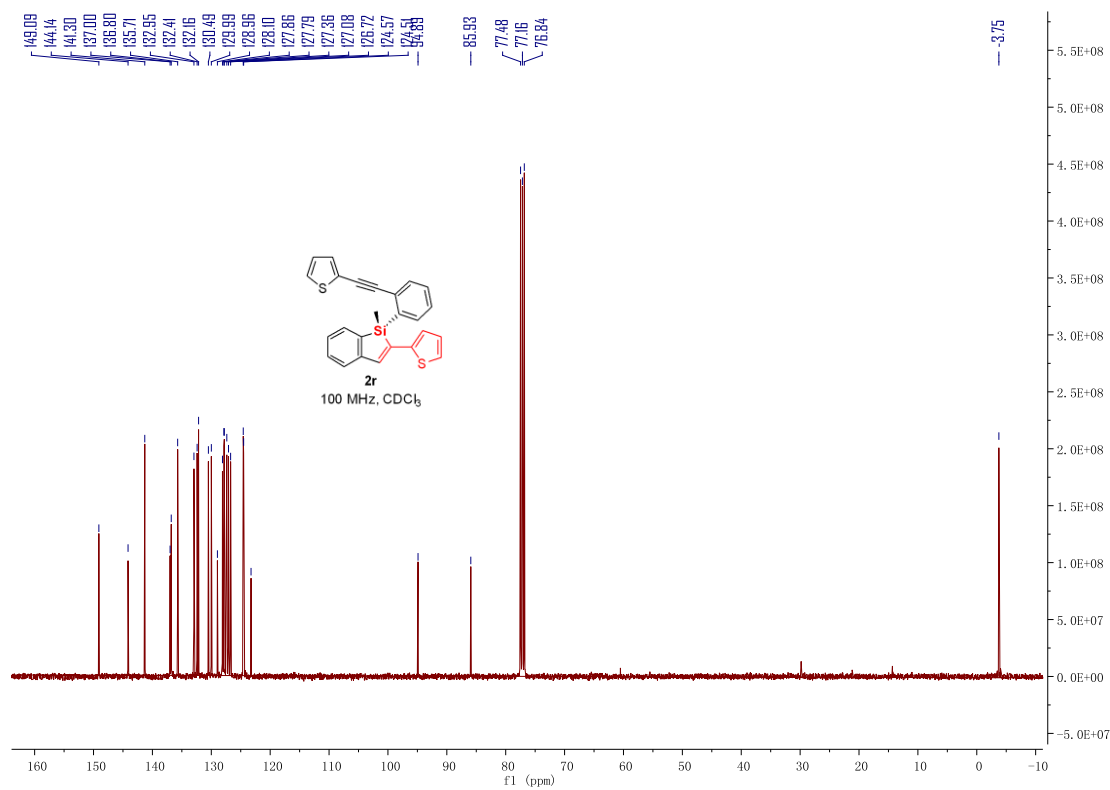


Figure S77. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of compound **2r**, related to Scheme 2

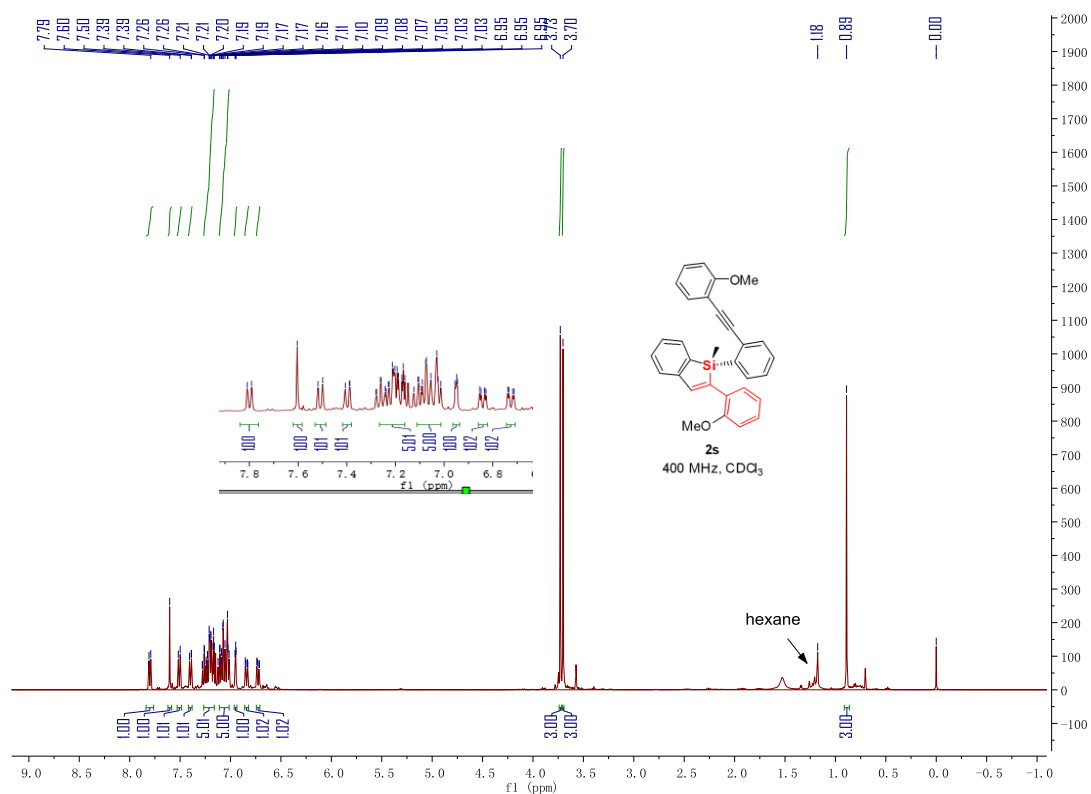


Figure S78. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) spectrum of compound **2s**, related to Scheme 2

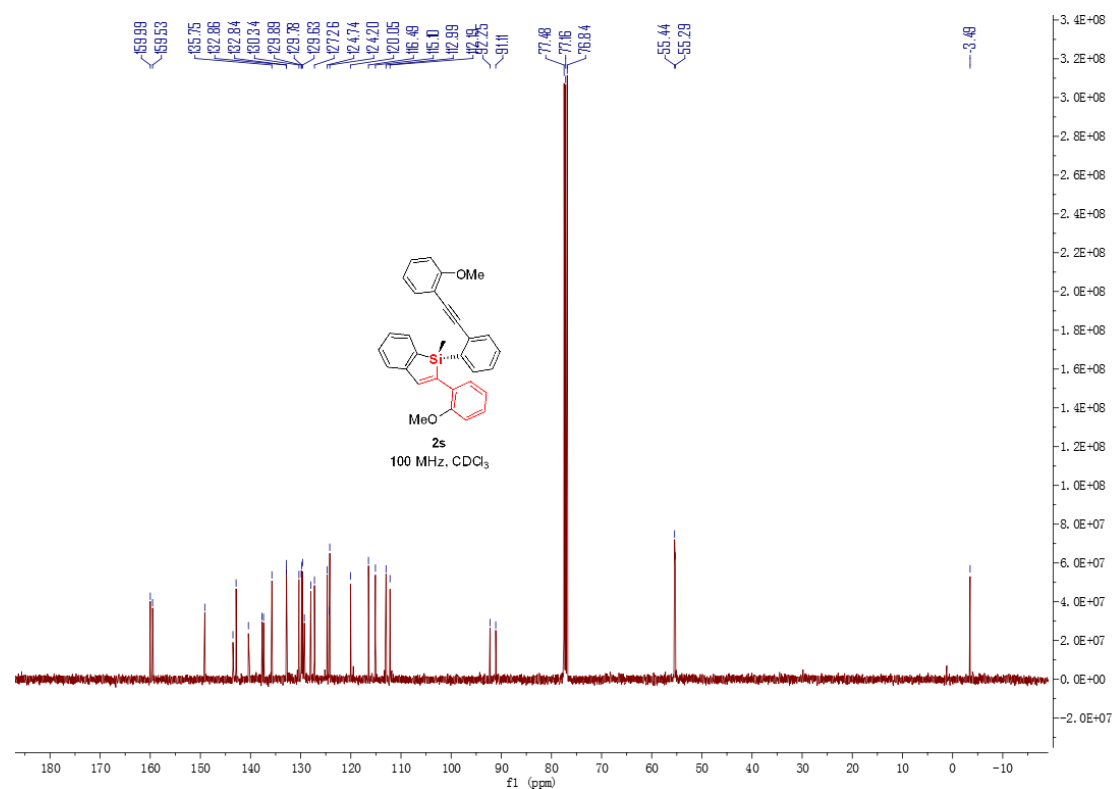


Figure S79. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) spectrum of compound **2s**, related to Scheme 2

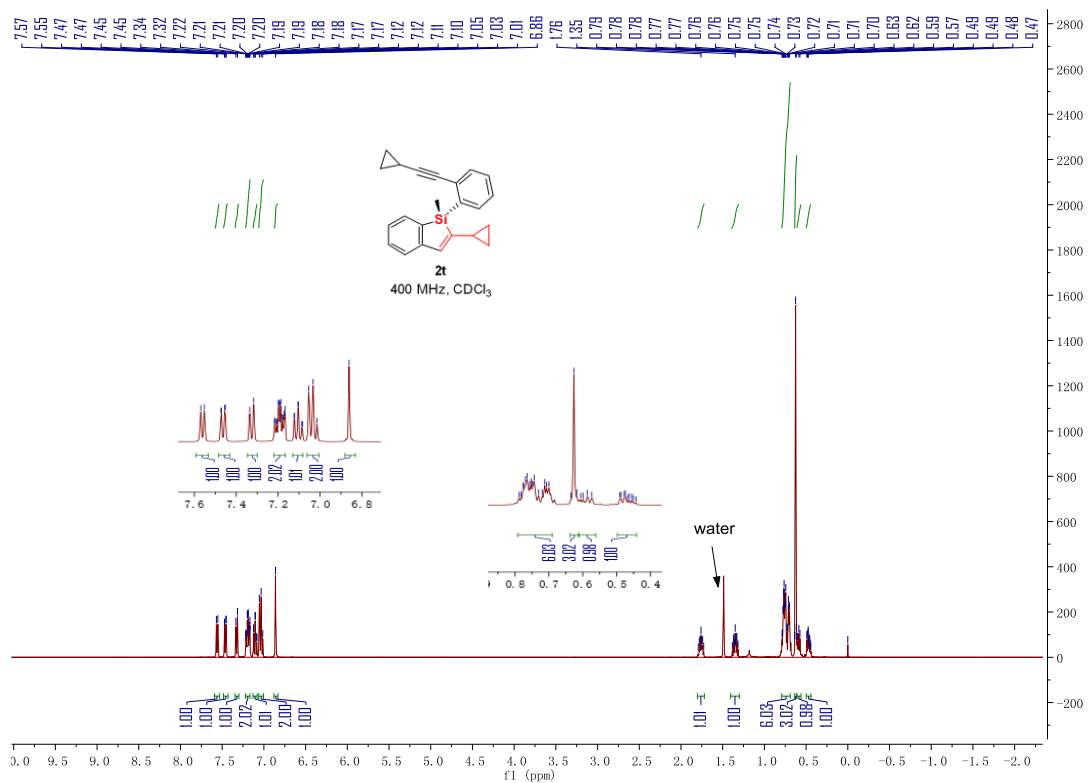


Figure S80. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of compound **2t**, related to **Scheme 2**

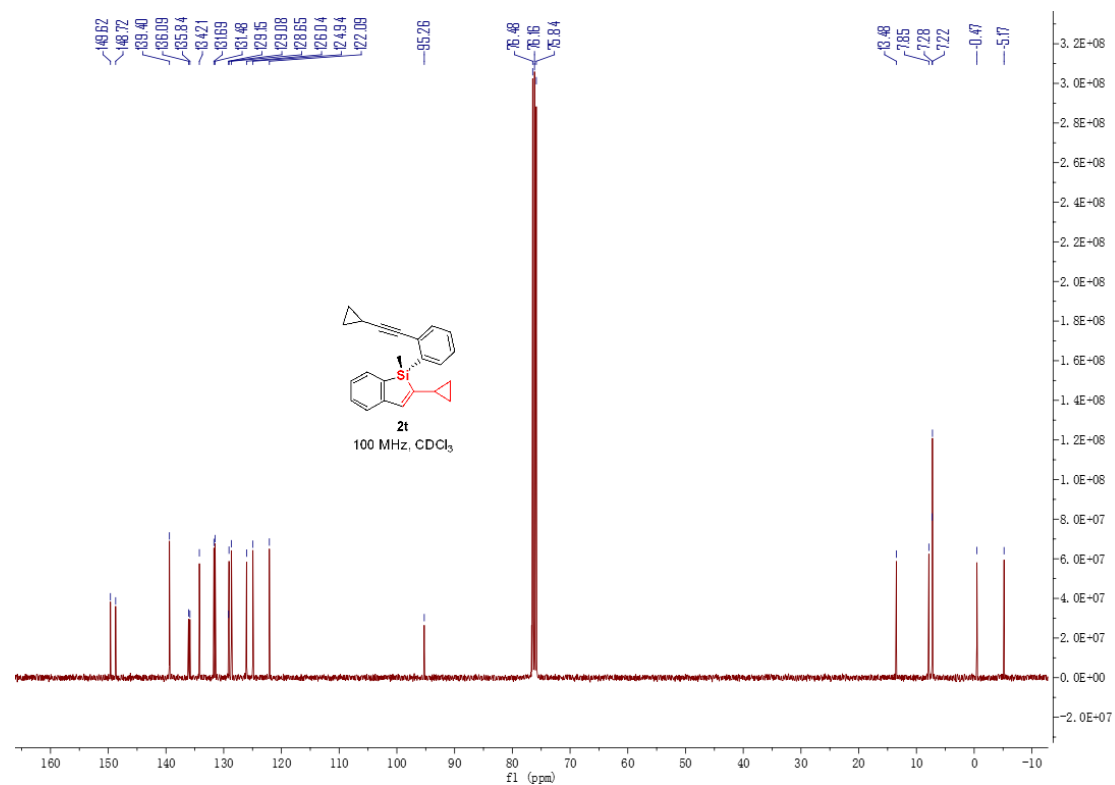


Figure S81. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of compound **2t**, related to **Scheme 2**

React IR experiment for the detection of benzosilole backbone

IR analysis was carried out under the reaction conditions: Under N₂ atmosphere, [Rh(cod)Cl]₂ (4.9 mg, 5 mol%), **L8** (13.8 mg, 12 mol%), KOtBu (2.7 mg, 12 mol%) and evacuated under high vacuum and backfilled with N₂. Toluene (1 mL) was next added and stirred at room temperature for about 0.5 h. Then methylbis(2-(phenylethynyl)phenyl)silane **1a** (79.6 mg, 0.2 mmol) were added sequentially, The mixture was stirred at 70 °C in a preheated oil. Then the IR probe was inserted and the IR data collection was started. The mixture was stirred at 70 °C for about 72 h.

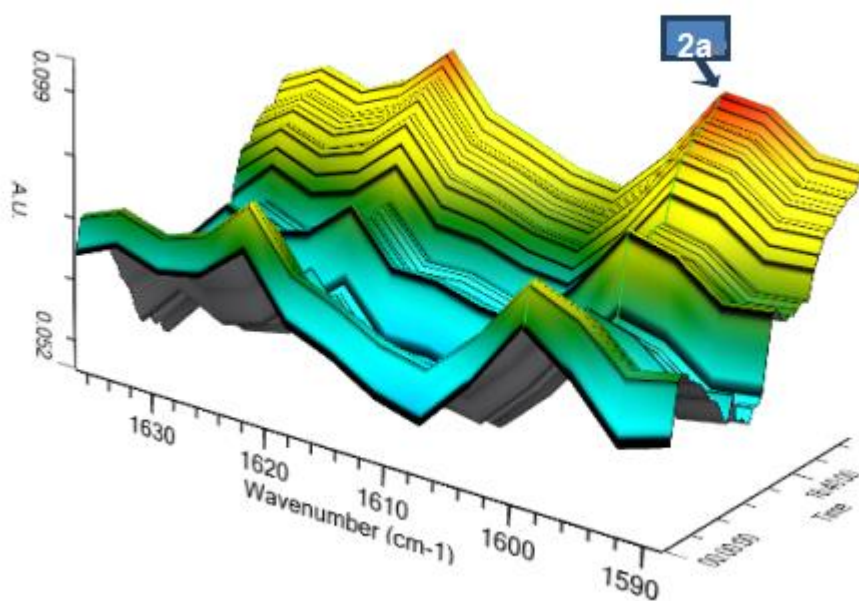


Figure S82. IR spectra for detection of the formation of benzosilole **2a** from the hydrosilylation of alkynyl C(sp)-C(sp) bond. Related to Figure 5

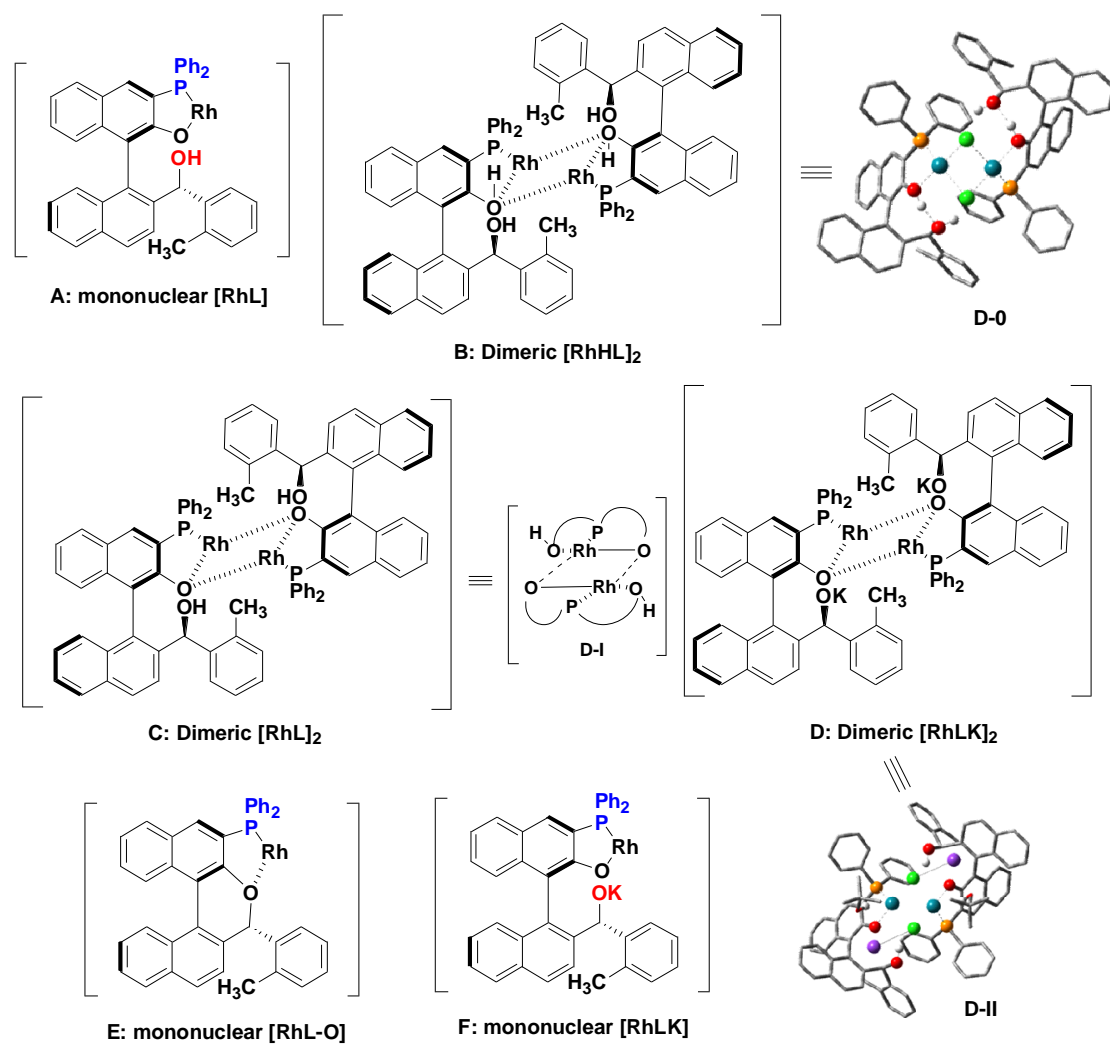


Figure S83 (continued). Possible Rh complex or intermediates in this reaction could be confirmed on the basis of the ³¹P-NMR and ESI-MS analysis. For the Rh complexes, B-D, the existence of couplings between Rh and P in the ³¹P NMR spectra. Related to Figure 5

Supplemental Figures for ESI-MS spectrums:

Figure S84. ESI(+)-MS analysis for the mixture of only $[\text{Rh}(\text{cod})\text{Cl}]_2$ and Ar-BINMOL-Phos (*o*-Me) in toluene. Related to Figure 5

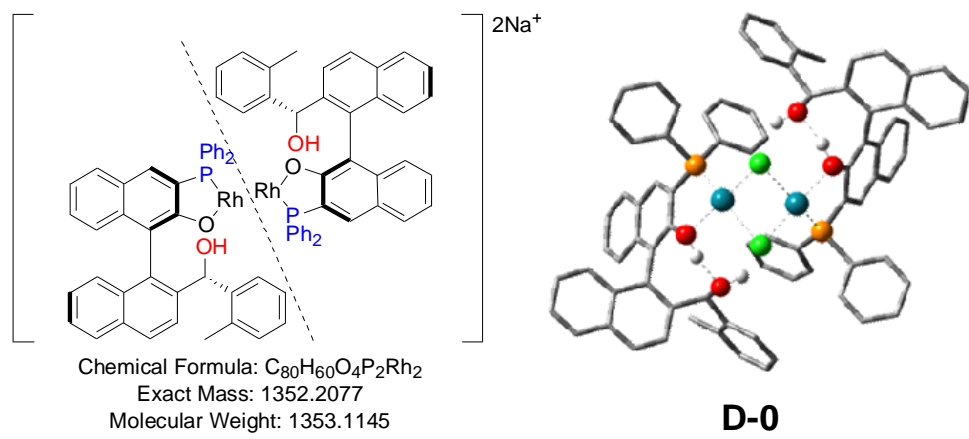
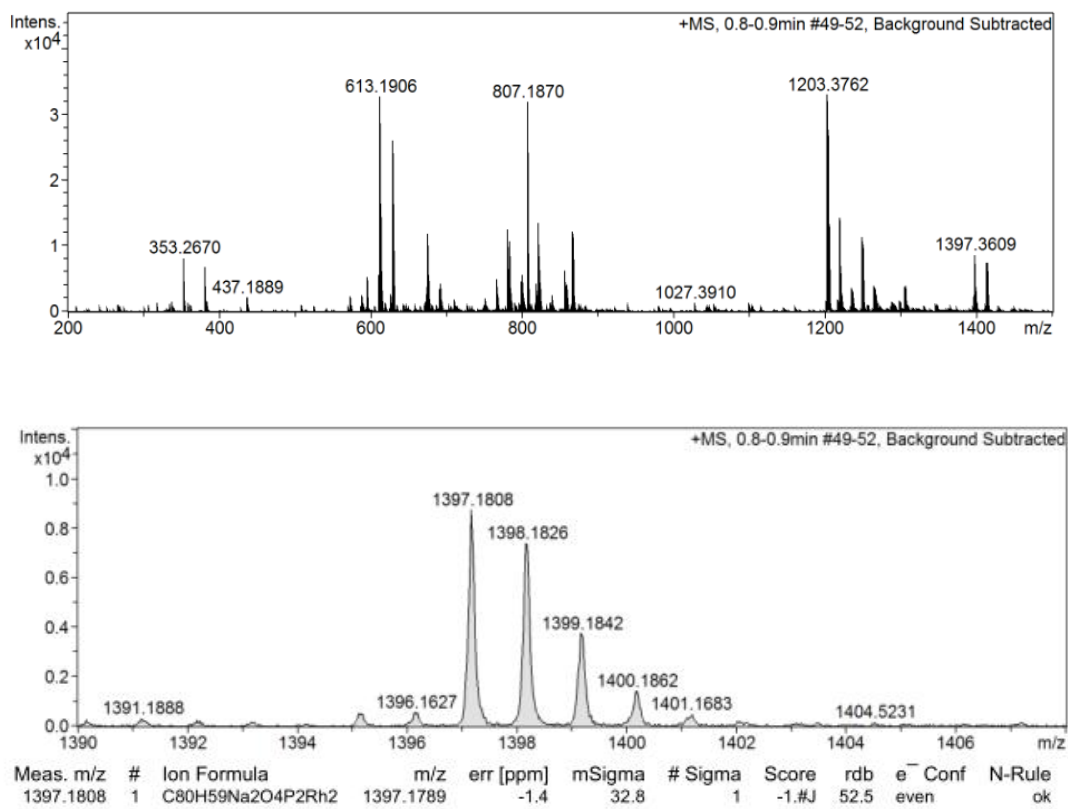
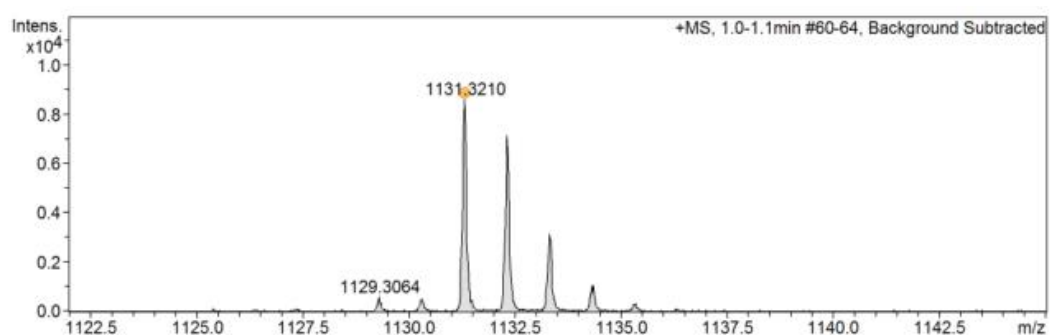
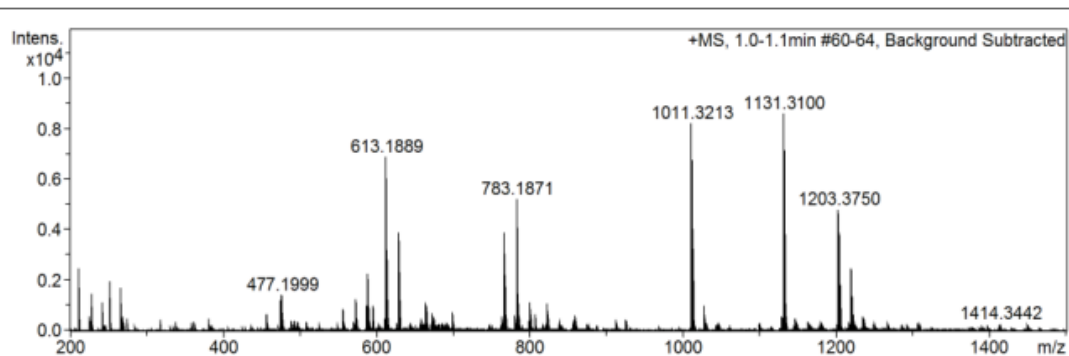
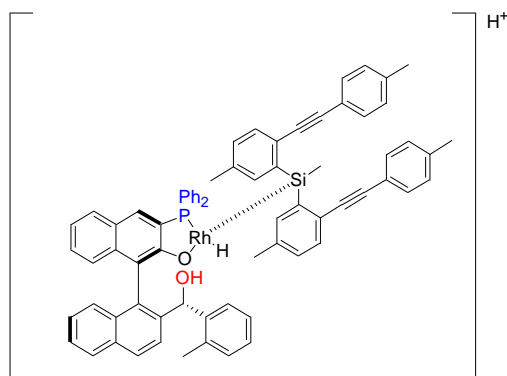


Figure S85. ESI(+)-MS analysis for the mixture of $[\text{Rh}(\text{cod})\text{Cl}]_2$, alkyne, Ar-BINMOL-Phos (*o*-Me) in toluenen. Related to Figure 5



Meas. m/z	#	Ion Formula	m/z	err [ppm]	mSigma	# Sigma	Score	rdb	e ⁻ Conf	N-Rule
1131.3210	1	C ₇₃ H ₆₁ O ₂ PRhSi	1131.3228	1.5	15.1	1	100.00	45.5	even	ok



Chemical Formula: C₇₃H₆₁O₂PRhSi
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 Molecular Weight: 1132.2533

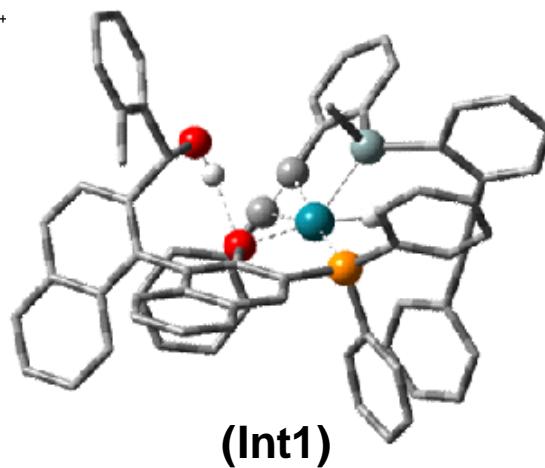


Figure S87. Fluorescence emission spectra of **2g** (5 μM) in THF/water mixtures (fw = 0 to 90%). λ_{ex} =300 nm, λ_{es} =550 nm. related to Figure 2

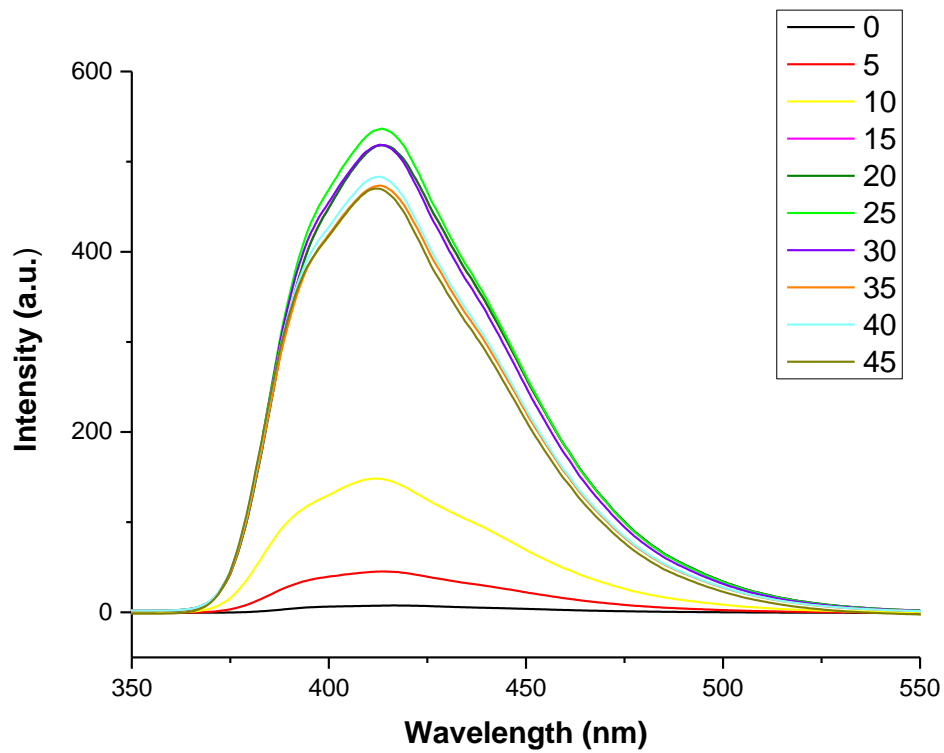


Figure S88. For racemic **2g** (AIE) related to Figure 2

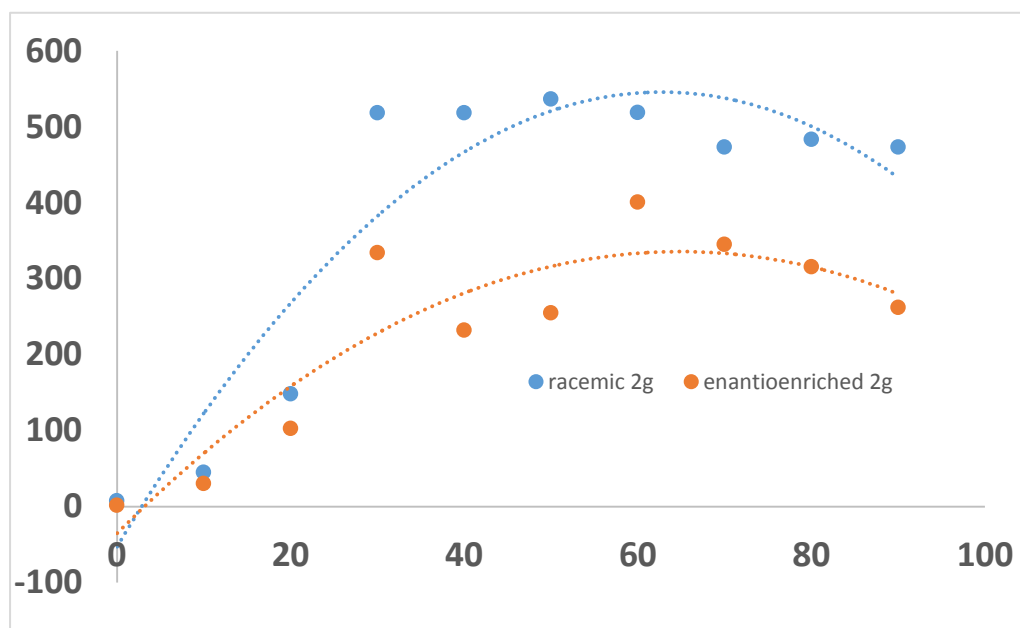


Figure S89. The photography for the AIE phenomena of **2g**. Related to Figure 2

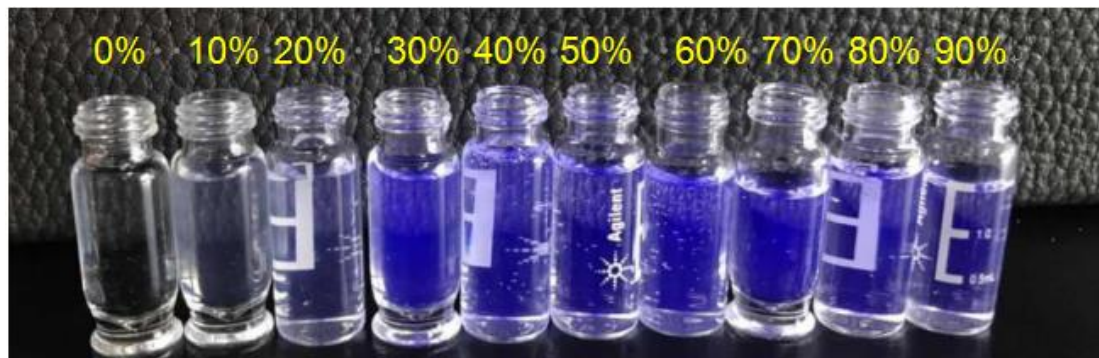
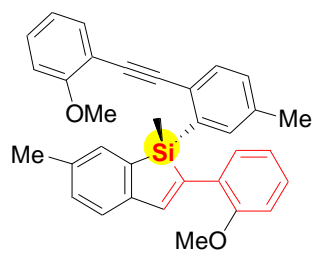
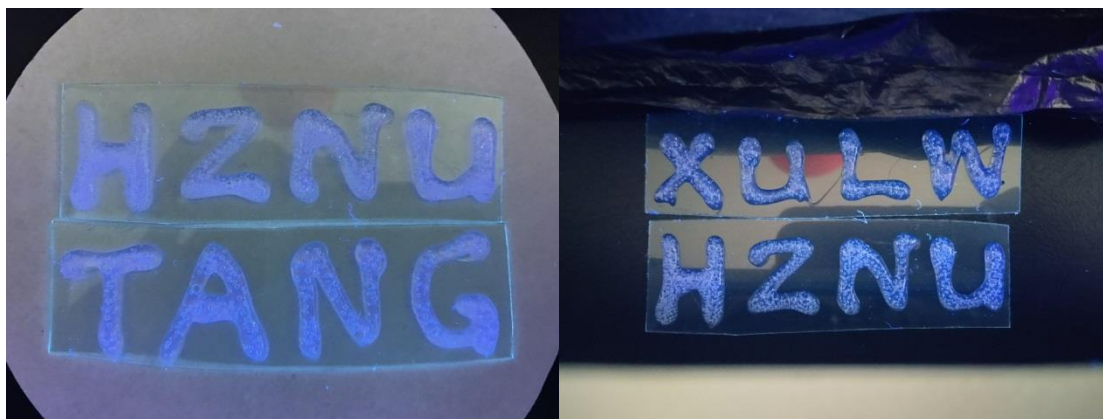
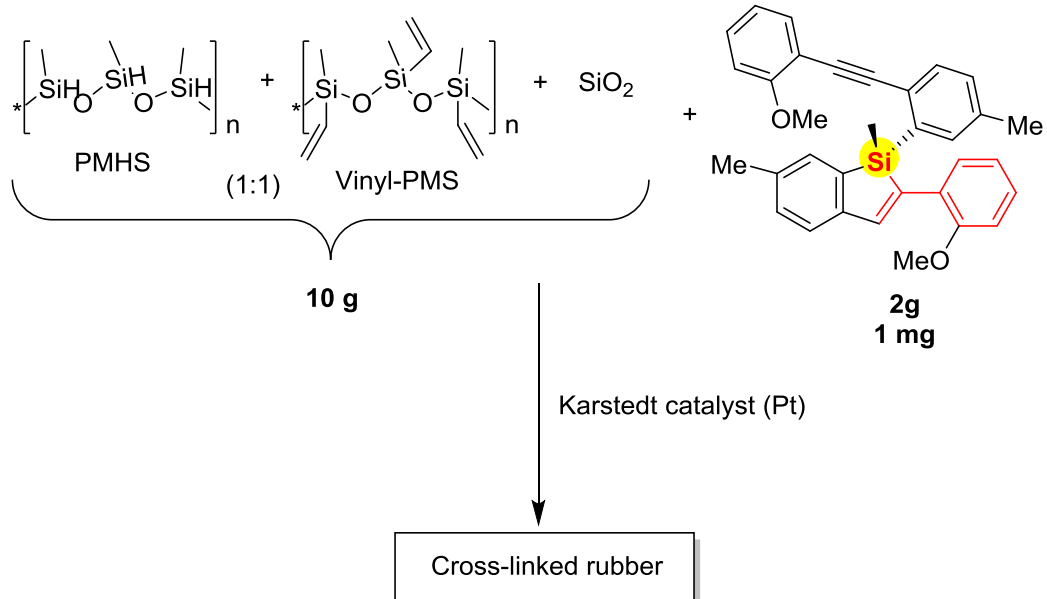


Figure S90. The industrial method for preparation of silicon rubber with blue fluorescence because of the additive of alkyne-substituted benzosilole **2g** (10^{-4} w/w). Related to Figure 2



CPL spectra of product 2g:

Figure S91. CPL (upper panel) and DC (nether panel) spectra of (*S*) (black lines) and (*R*) (red lines) in CHCl_3 (1.0×10^{-3} M). Related to Figure 2

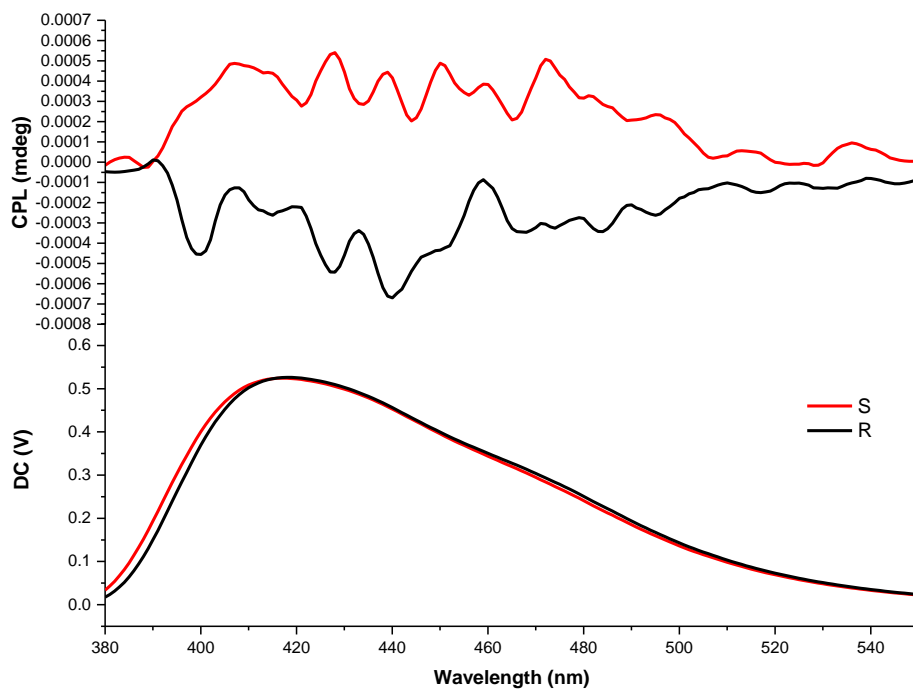
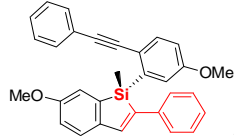
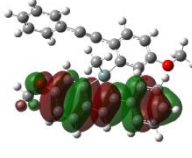
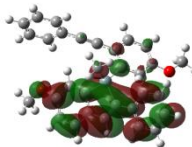
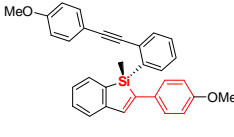
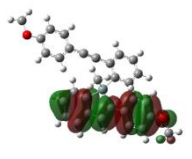
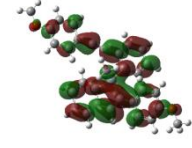
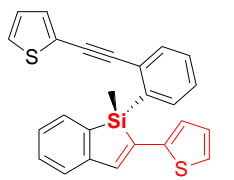
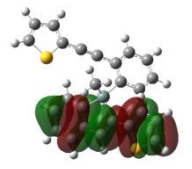
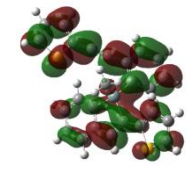
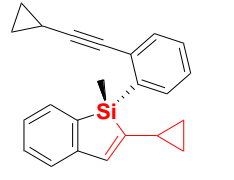
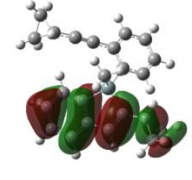
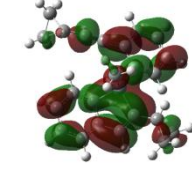
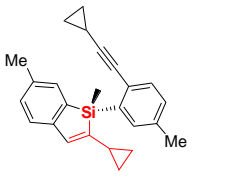
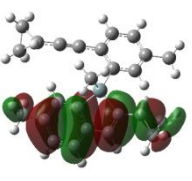
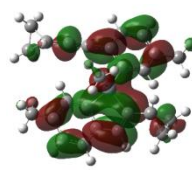
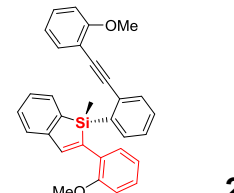
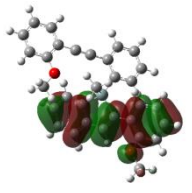
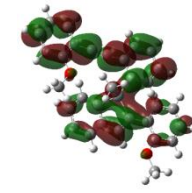
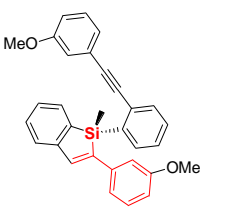
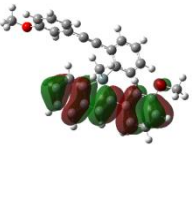
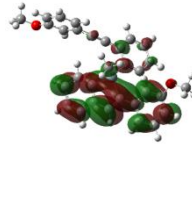
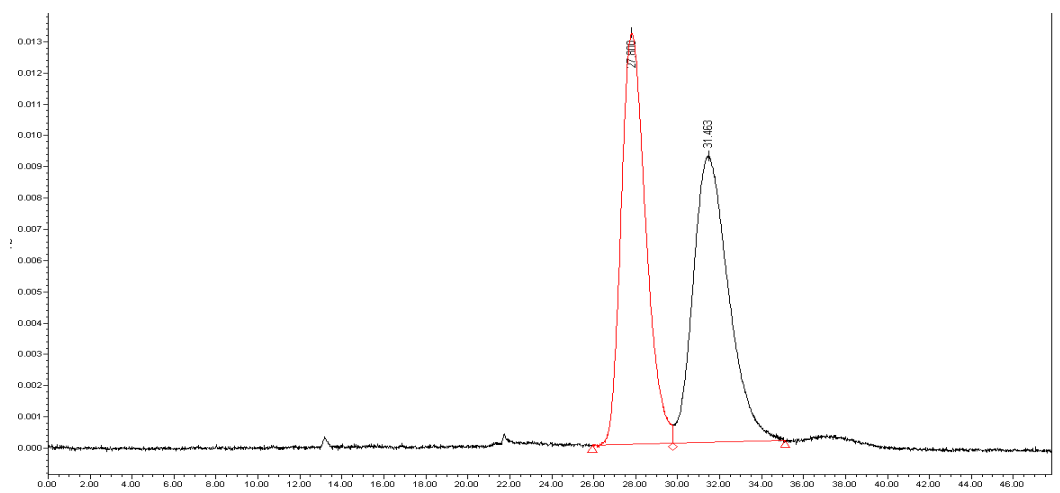
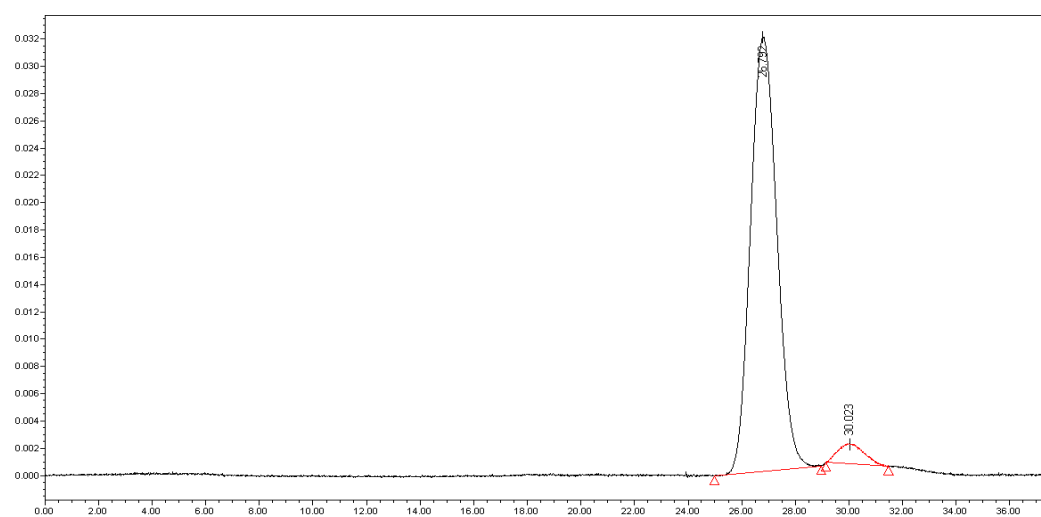


Table S92. HOMO and LUMO energy computed for product. Related to Figure 2

product	HOMO	LUMO	Δ (ev)
 2c	 -4.529ev	 -1.795ev	2.734
 2g	 -4.570ev	 -1.857ev	2.713
 2r	 -4.751ev	 -2.174ev	2.577
 2t	 -4.867ev	 -1.575ev	3.292
 2q	 -4.738ev	 -1.480ev	3.258
 2s	 -4.640ev	 -1.883ev	2.757
 2l	 -4.818ev	 -1.920ev	2.898

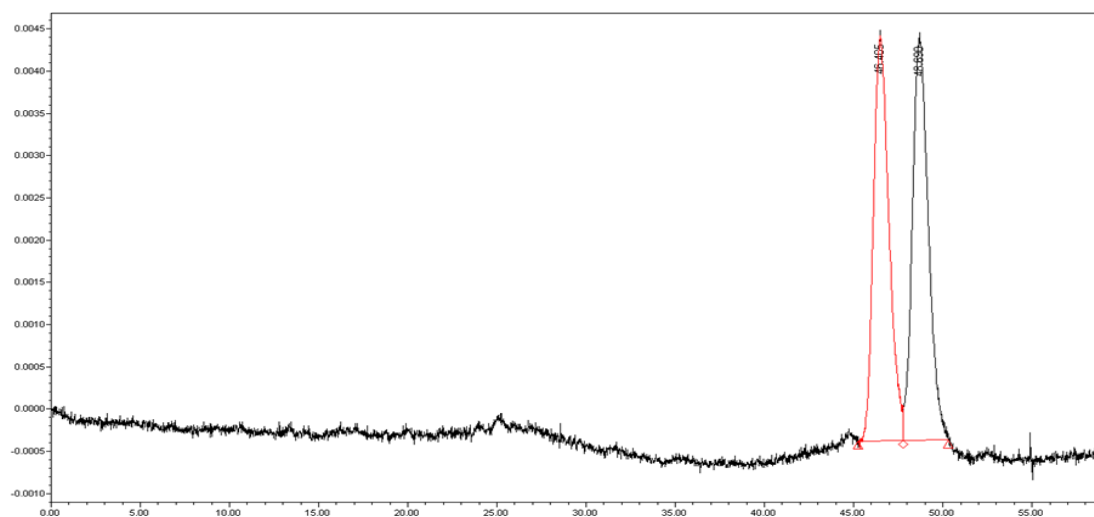


	Time/min	Area	Height	Area%
1	27.800	1075240	13152	50
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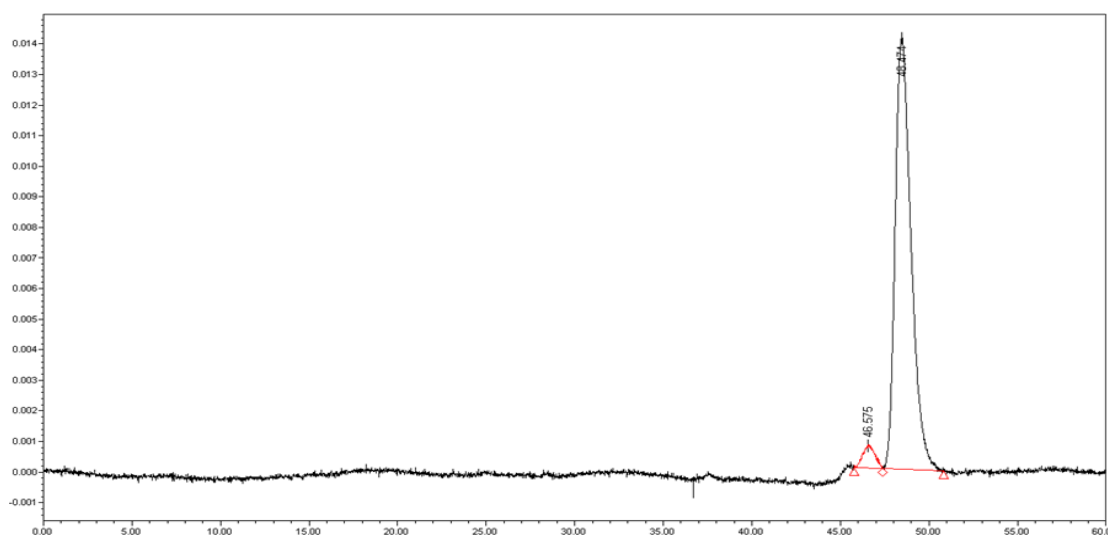


	Time/min	Area	Height	Area%
1	26.792	2193457	31842	95.51
2	30.023	103043	1485	4.49

Figure S93, the HPLC spectrum of compound **2a**, related to **Scheme 2**

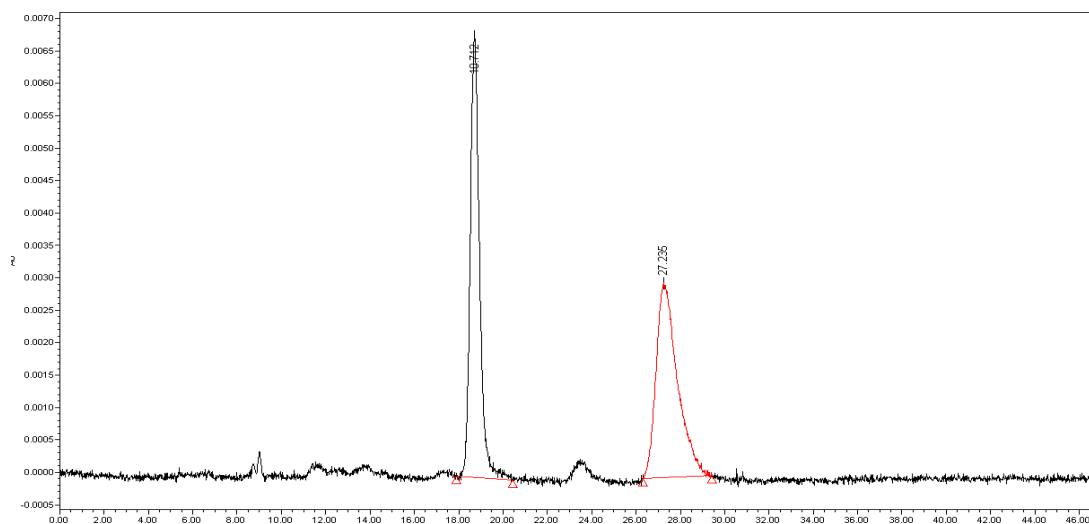


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1	46.485	291019	4784	49.38
2	48.690	298330	4768	50.62

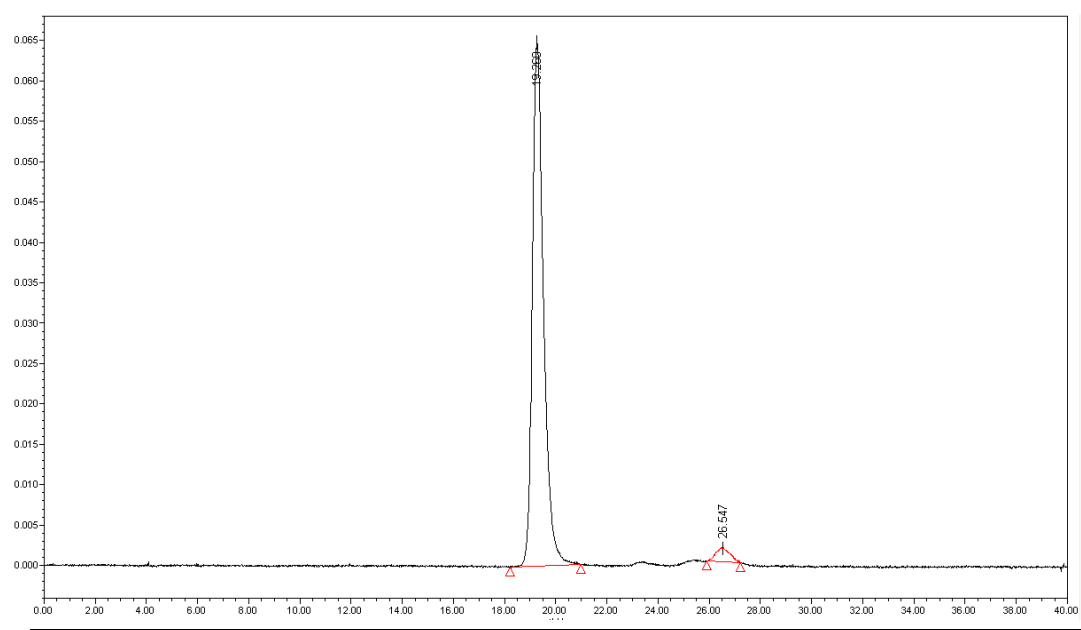


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1	46.575	35478	739	3.86
2	48.474	883685	14102	96.14

Figure S94, the HPLC spectrum of compound **2b**, related to **Scheme 2**

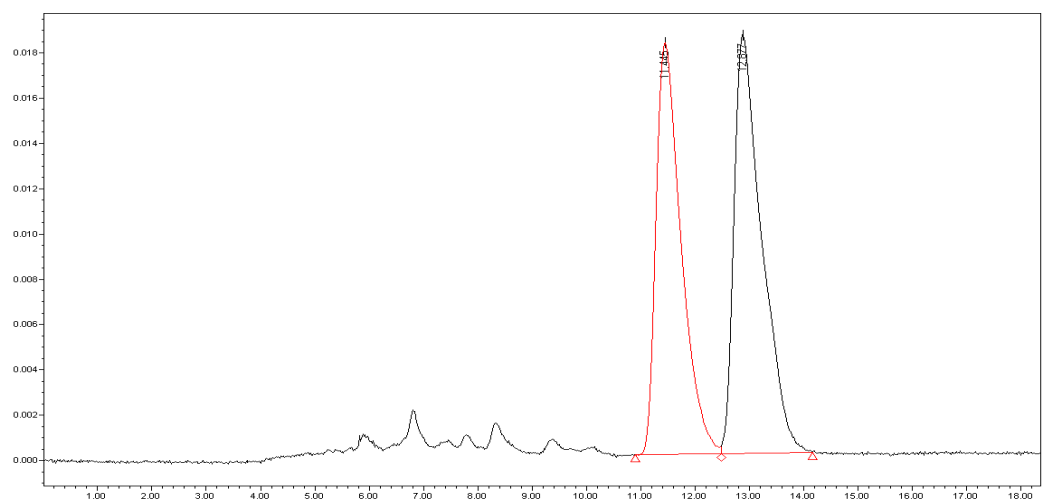


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1	18.712	199777	6793	50.03
2	27.235	199505	2981	49.97

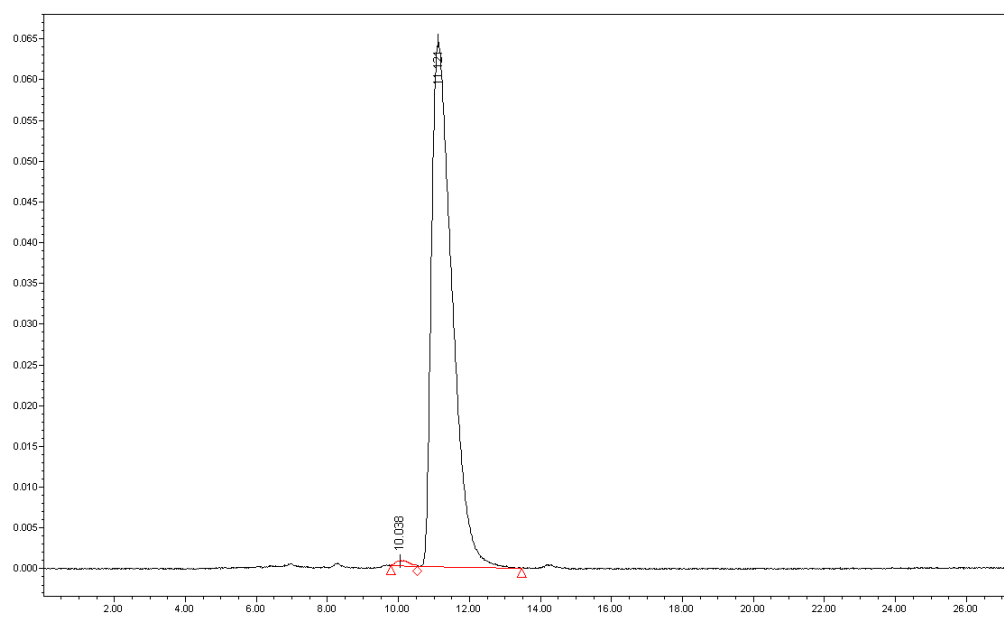


	Time/min	Area	Height	Area%
1	19.268	1979257	64815	96.69
2	26.547	68054	1716	3.32

Figure S95, the HPLC spectrum of compound **2c**, related to **Scheme 2**



	Time/min	Area	Height	Area%
1	11.445	585900	18153	47.25
2	12.877	654006	18480	52.75



	Time/min	Area	Height	Area%
1	10.038	17535	673	0.68
2	11.121	2578652	64490	99.32

Figure S96, the HPLC spectrum of compound **2d**, related to **Scheme 2**

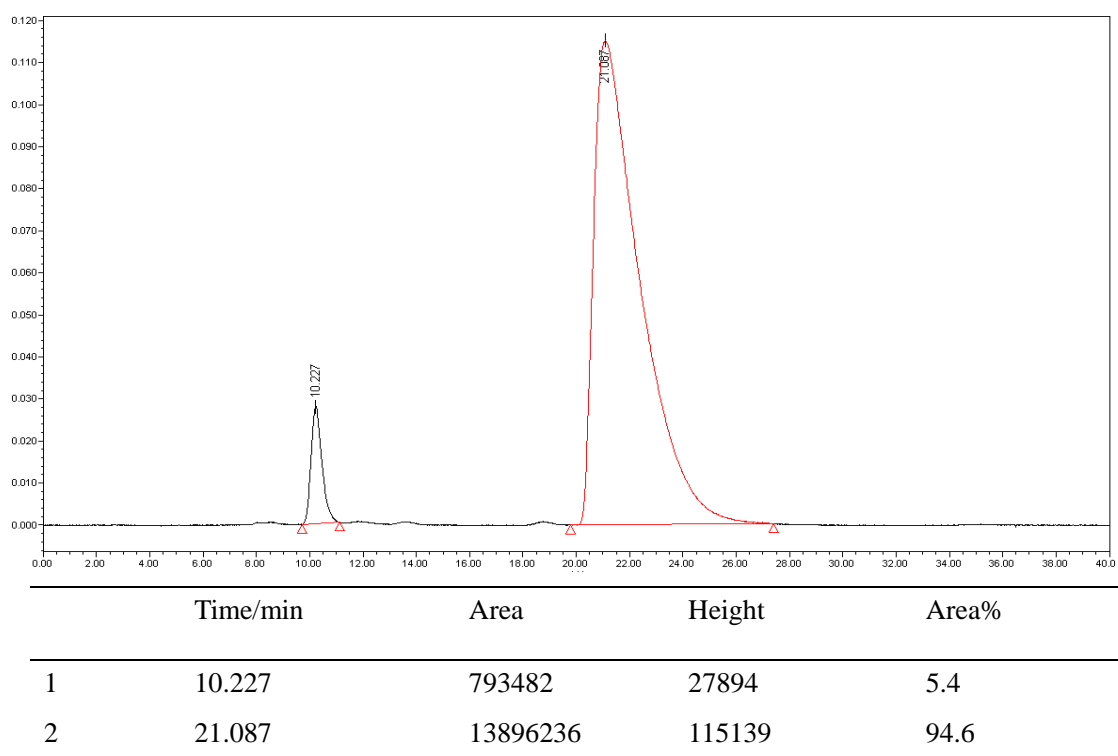
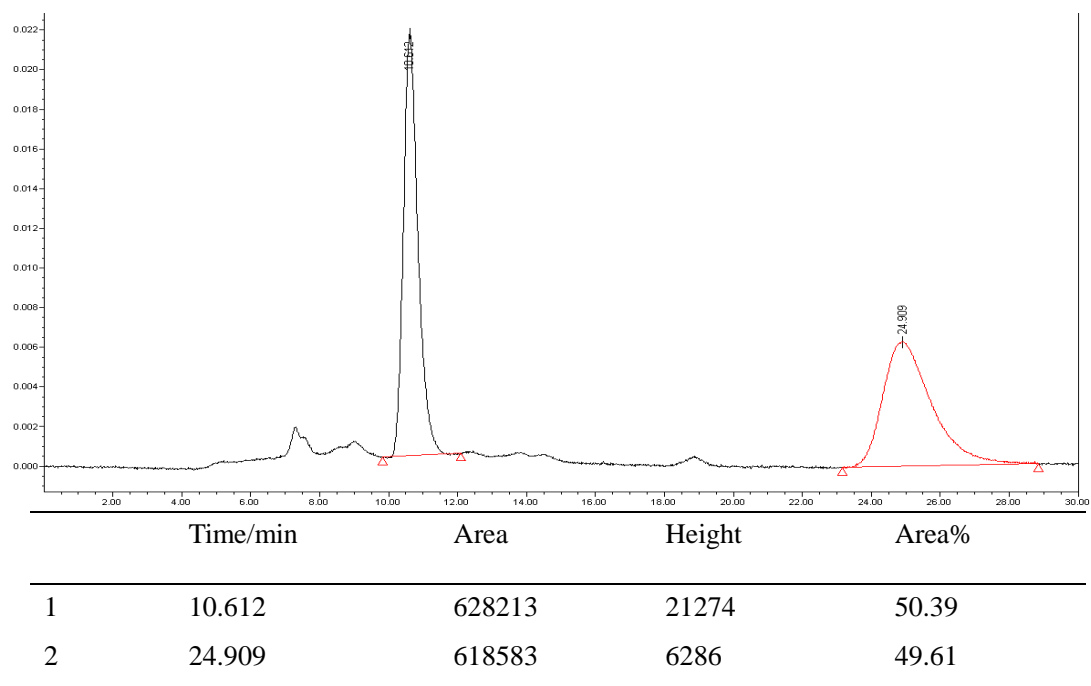
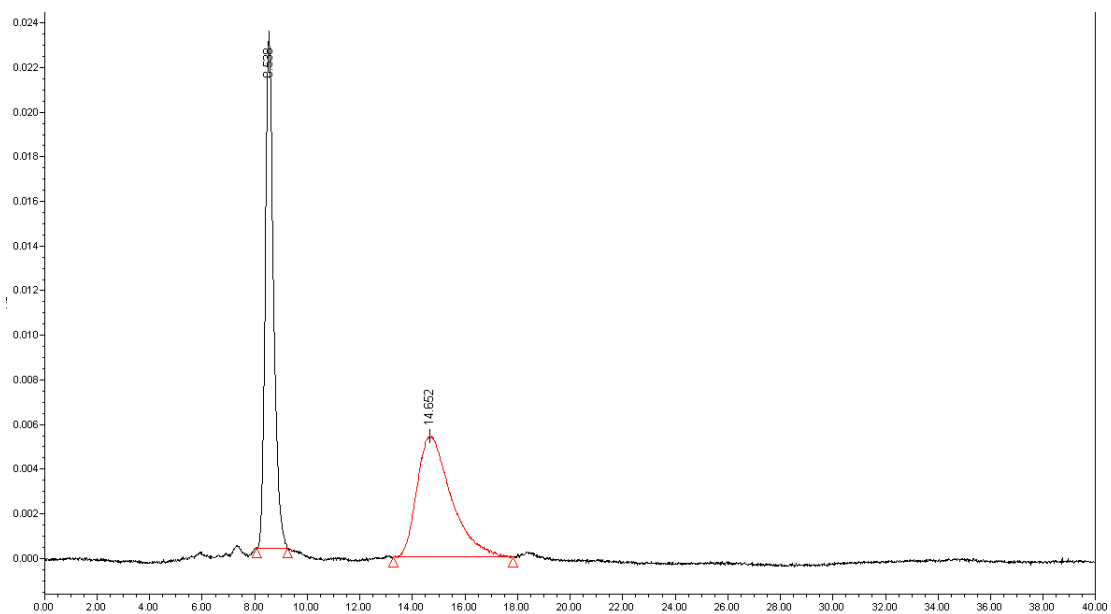
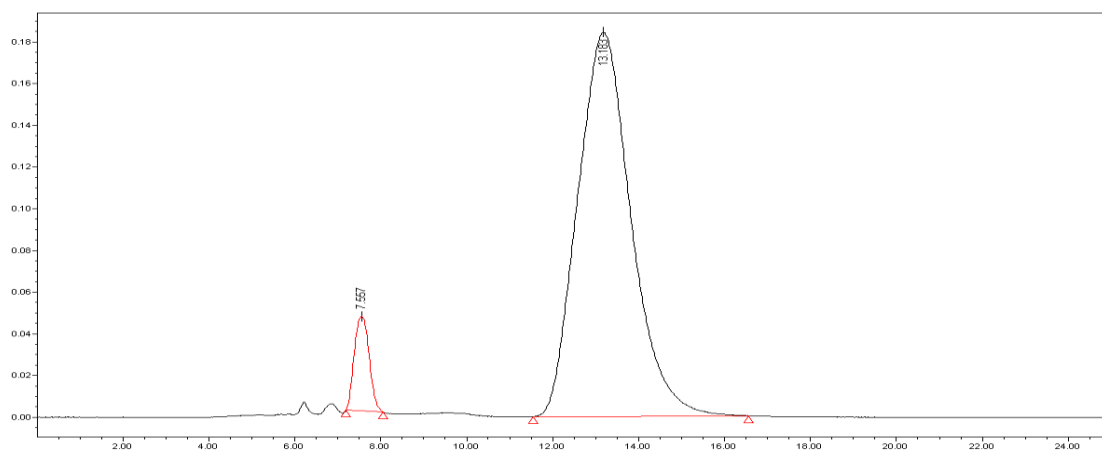


Figure S97, the HPLC spectrum of compound **2e**, related to **Scheme 2**

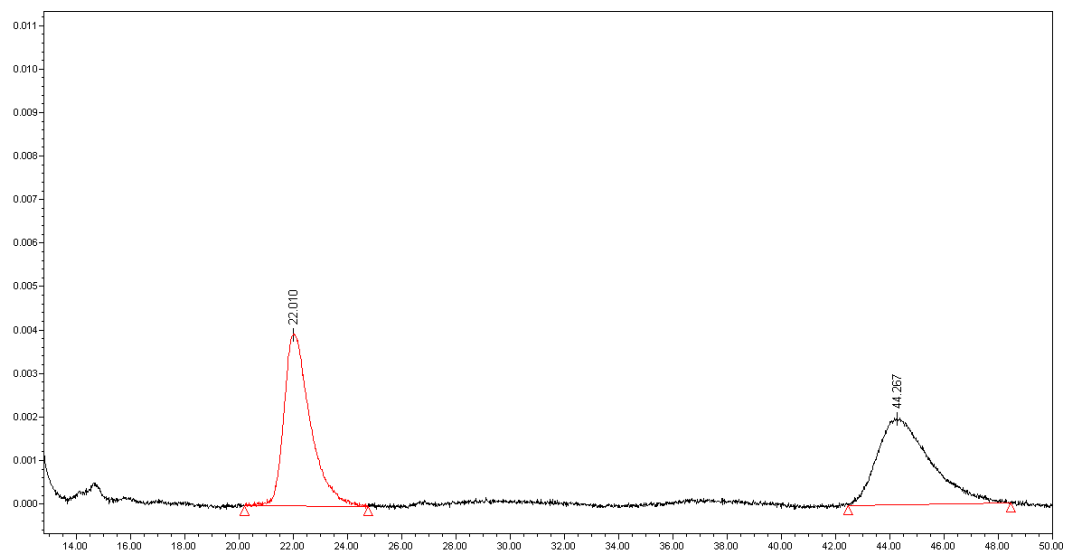


	Time/min	Area	Height	Area%
1	8.538	504871	22886	50.72
2	14.625	490480	5420	49.28

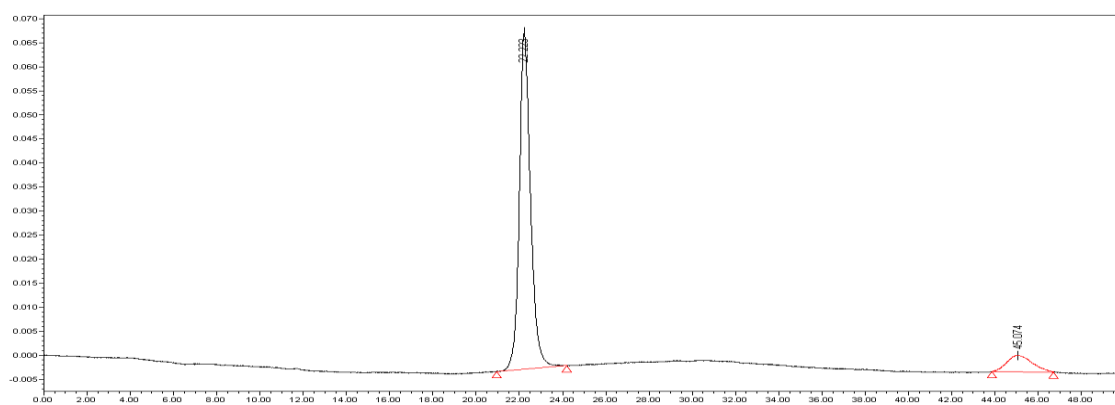


	Time/min	Area	Height	Area%
1	7.557	1098019	45399	6.47
2	13.183	15874214	184180	93.53

Figure S98, the HPLC spectrum of compound **2f**, related to **Scheme 2**

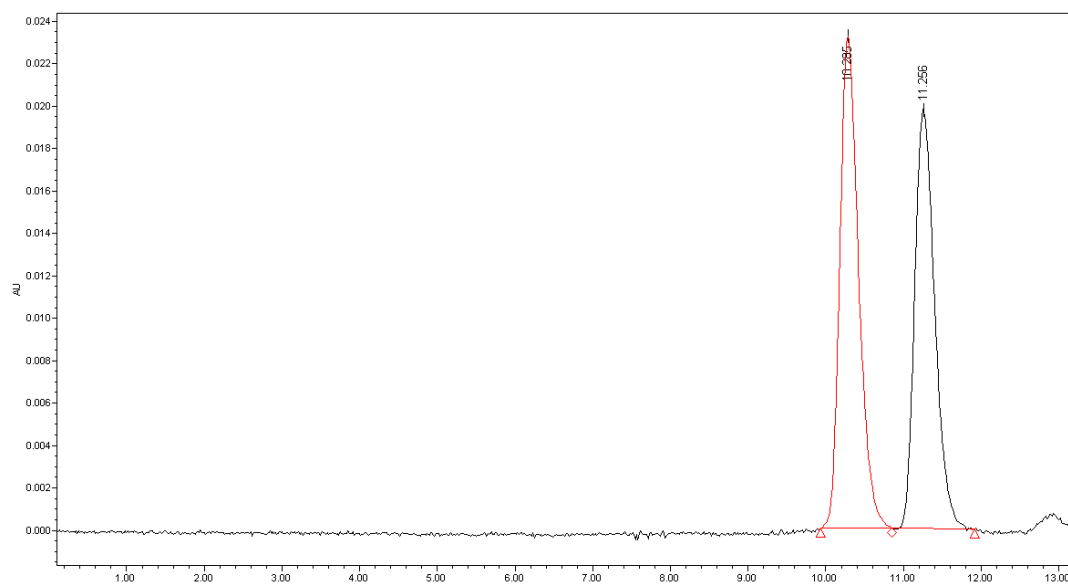


	Time/min	Area	Height	Area%
1	22.010	269297	3960	49.89
2	44.267	270455	1965	50.11

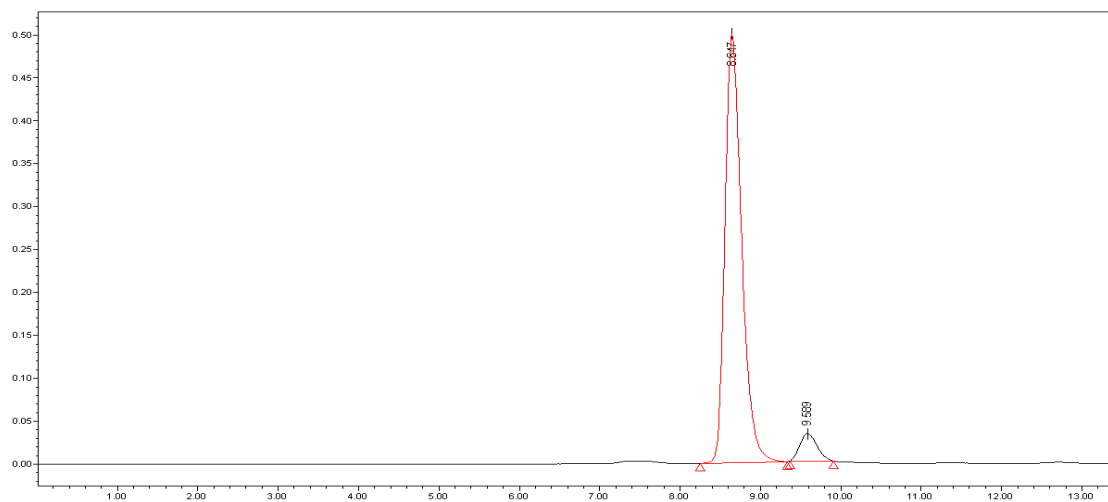


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1	22.223	2515042	70131	90.16
2	45.074	273306	3394	9.84

Figure S99, the HPLC spectrum of compound **2g**, related to **Scheme 2**

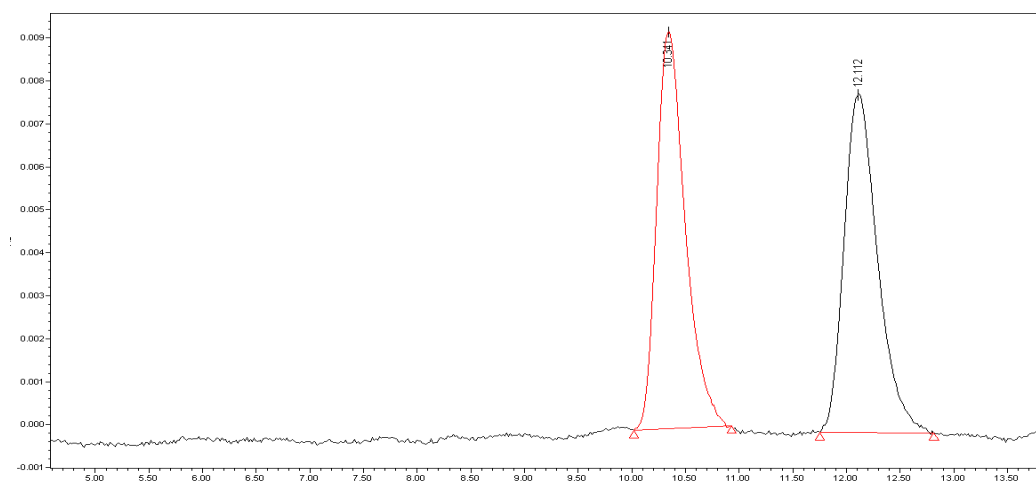


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1	11.286	353752	20995	52.68
2	11.258	317785	17791	47.32

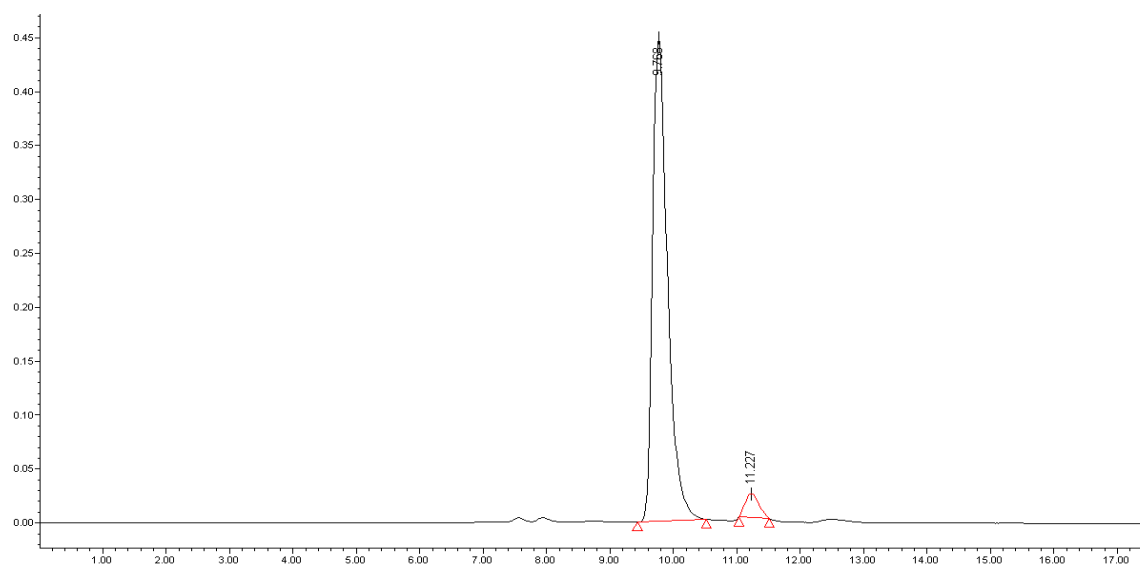


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1	8.647	7203931	499663	93.88
2	9.589	469848	31878	6.12

Figure S100, the HPLC spectrum of compound **2h**, related to **Scheme 2**

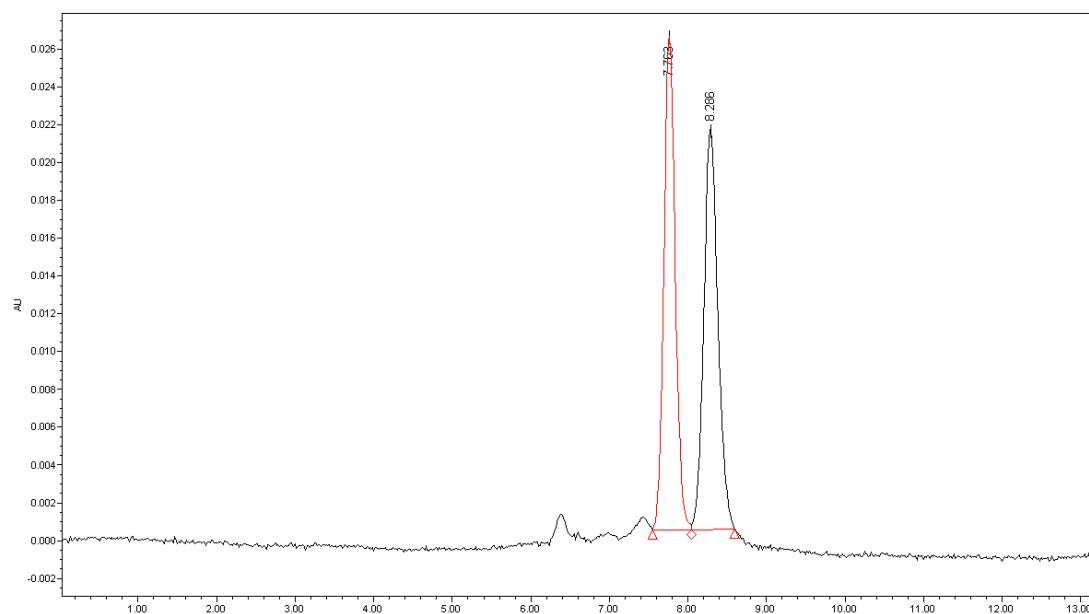


	Time/min	Area	Height	Area%
1	10.341	174103	9238	50.16
2	12.112	173006	7895	49.84

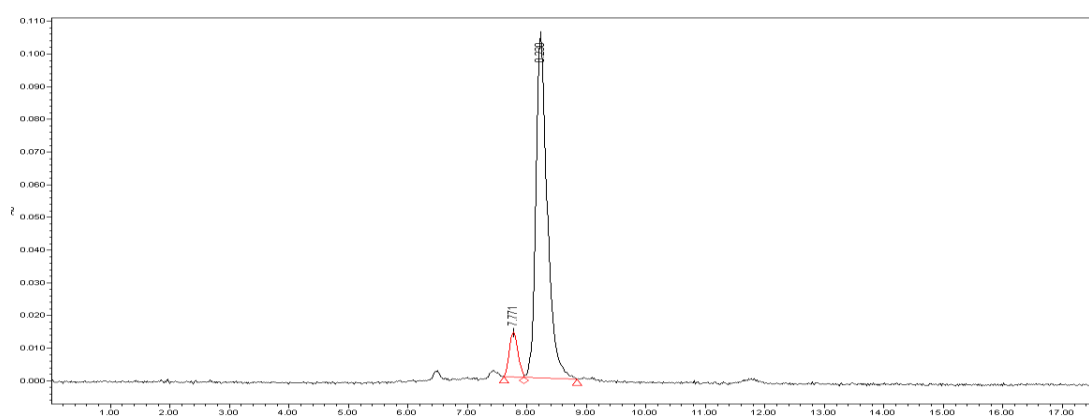


	Time/min	Area	Height	Area%
1	9.768	7356783	447901	95.66
2	11.227	333700	22215	4.34

Figure S101, the HPLC spectrum of compound **2i**, related to **Scheme 2**



	Time/min	Area	Height	Area%
1	7.762	376725	35806	49.28
2	8.286	387792	29118	50.72



	Time/min	Area	Height	Area%
1	7.775	22408	2239	7.57
2	8.232	273573	20073	92.43

Figure S102, the HPLC spectrum of compound **2j**, related to **Scheme 2**

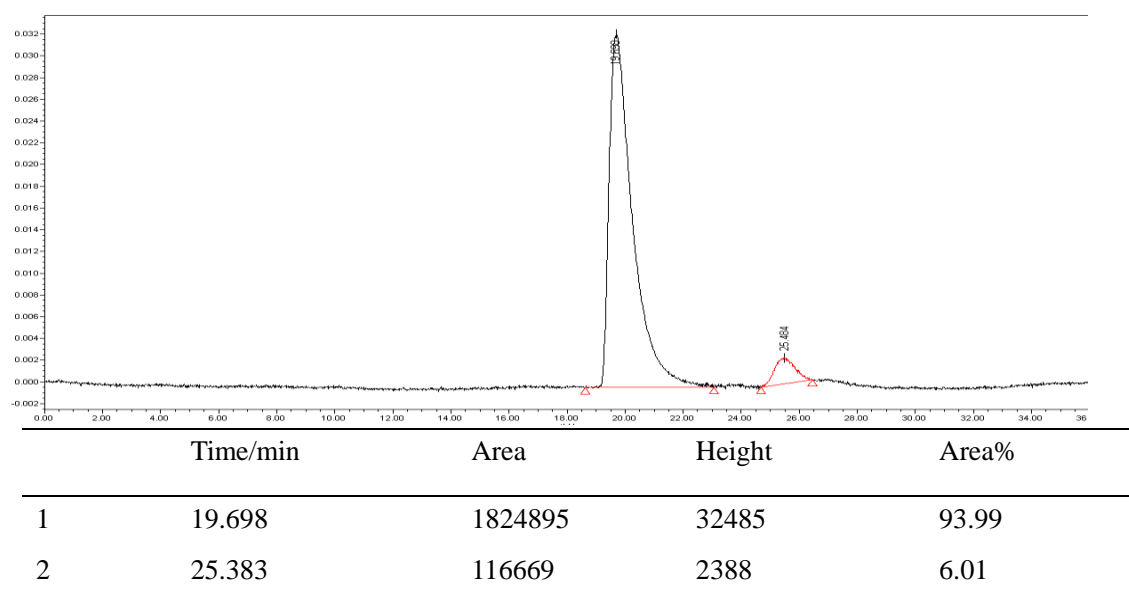
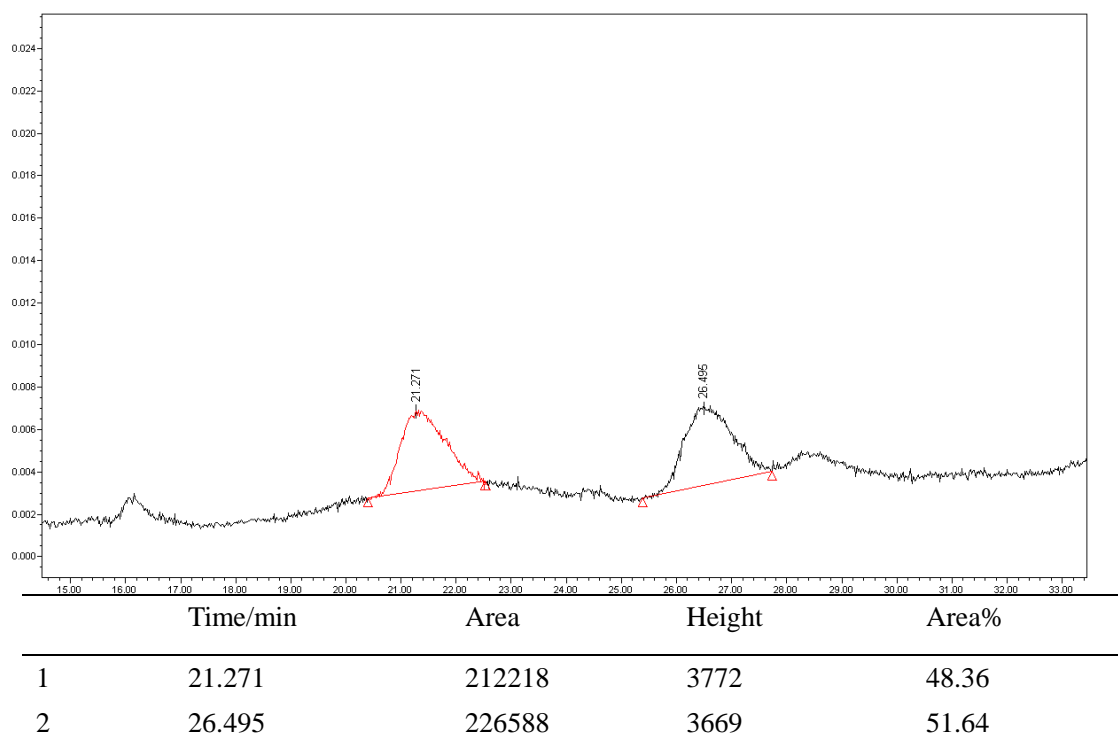
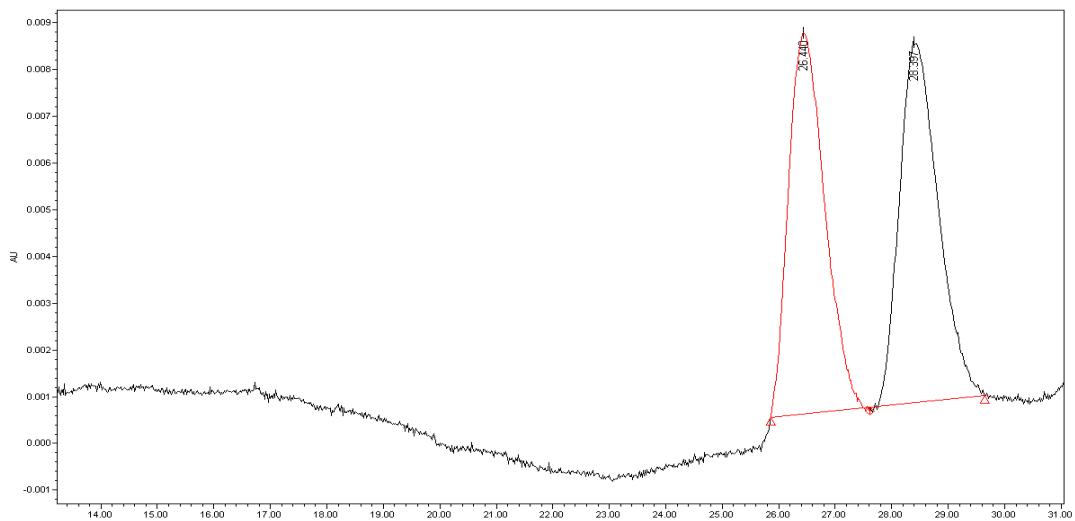
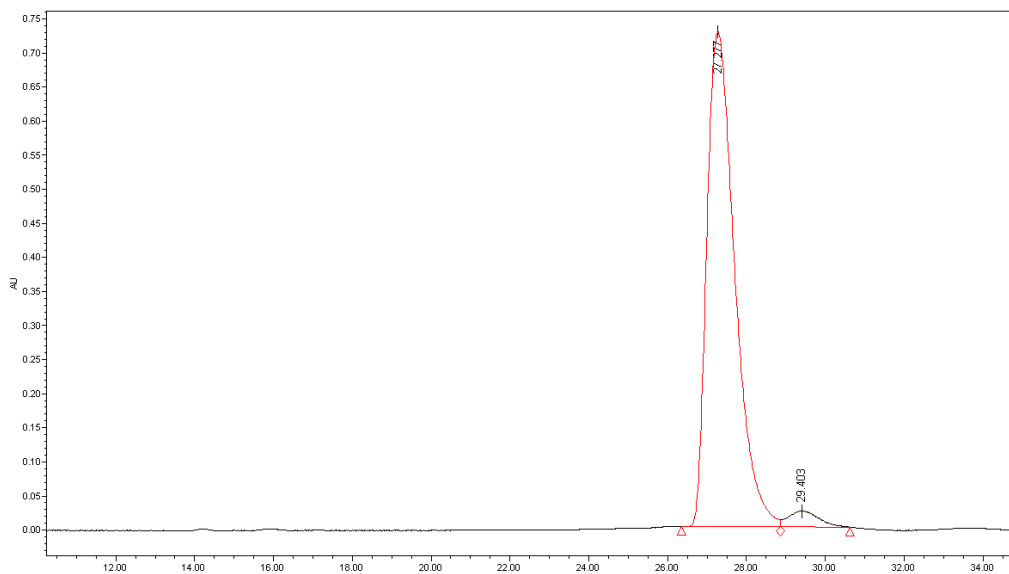


Figure S103, the HPLC spectrum of compound **2k**, related to **Scheme 2**

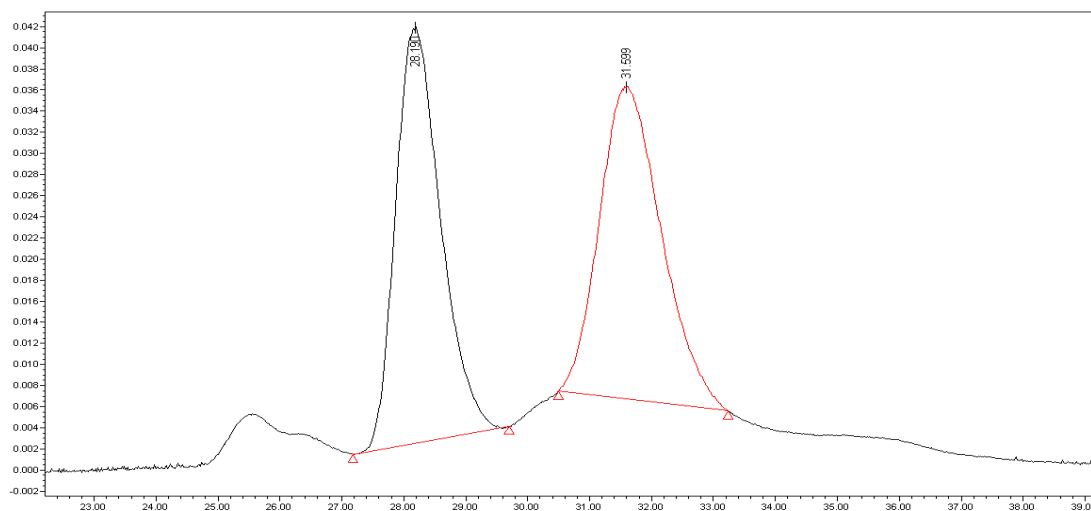


	Time/min	Area	Height	Area%
1	26.429	558438	12010	50.01
2	28.422	558275	11269	49.99

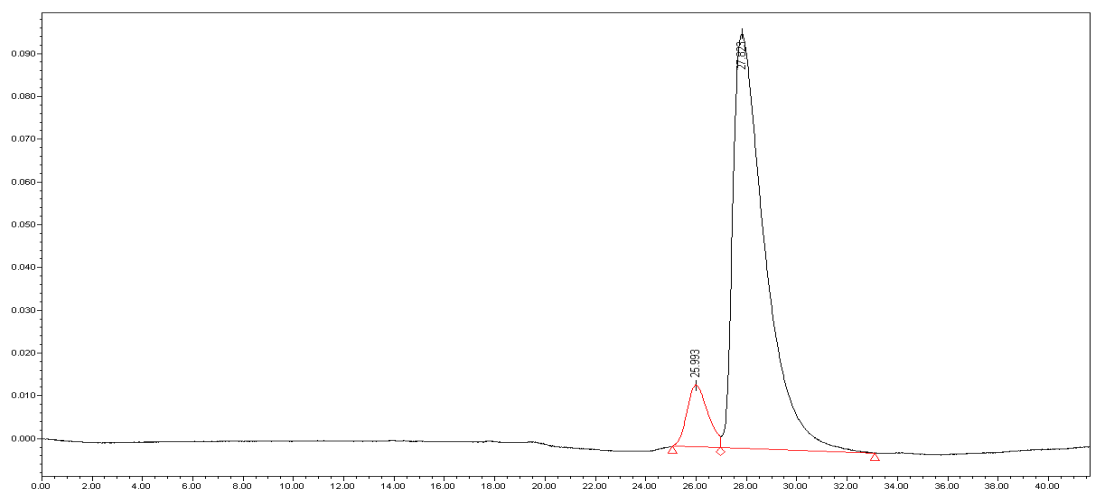


	Time/min	Area	Height	Area%
1	26.164	22488323	466399	95.46
2	28.709	1070176	19025	4.54

Figure S104, the HPLC spectrum of compound **2I**, related to **Scheme 2**

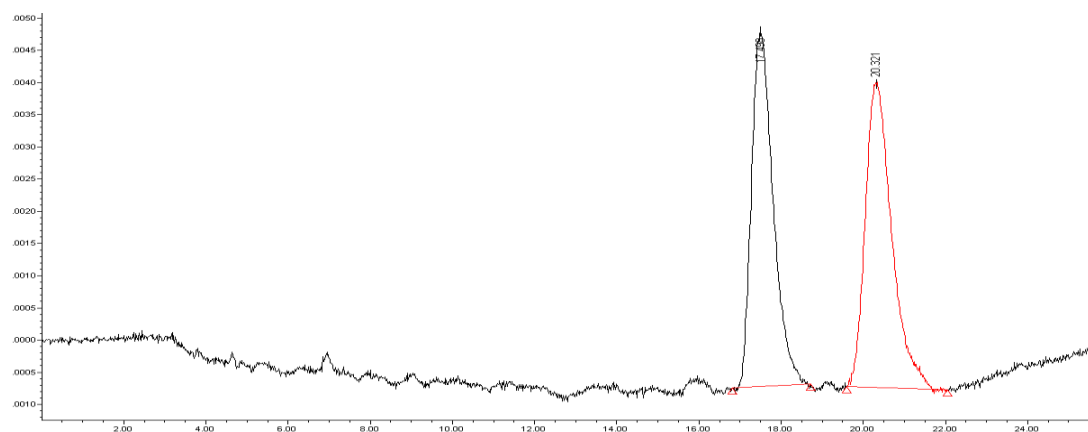


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1	28.190	1993930	39346	49.06
2	31.599	2070135	29805	50.94

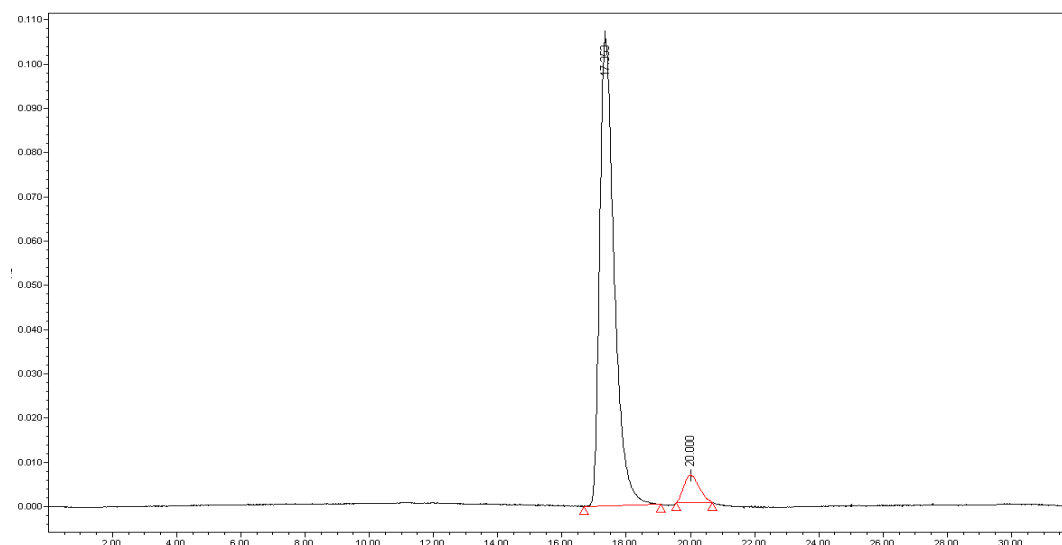


	Time/min	Area	Height	Area%
1	25.993	835540	14483	8.92
2	27.823	8531993	96905	91.08

Figure S105, the HPLC spectrum of compound **2m**, related to **Scheme 2**

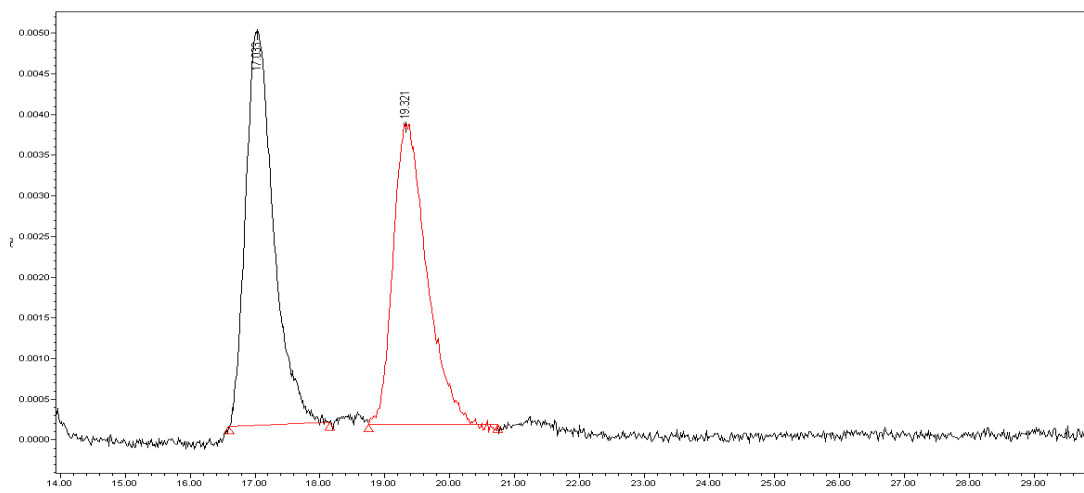


	Time/min	Area	Height	Area%
1	17.498	202433	5487	48.76
2	20.321	212717	4739	51.24

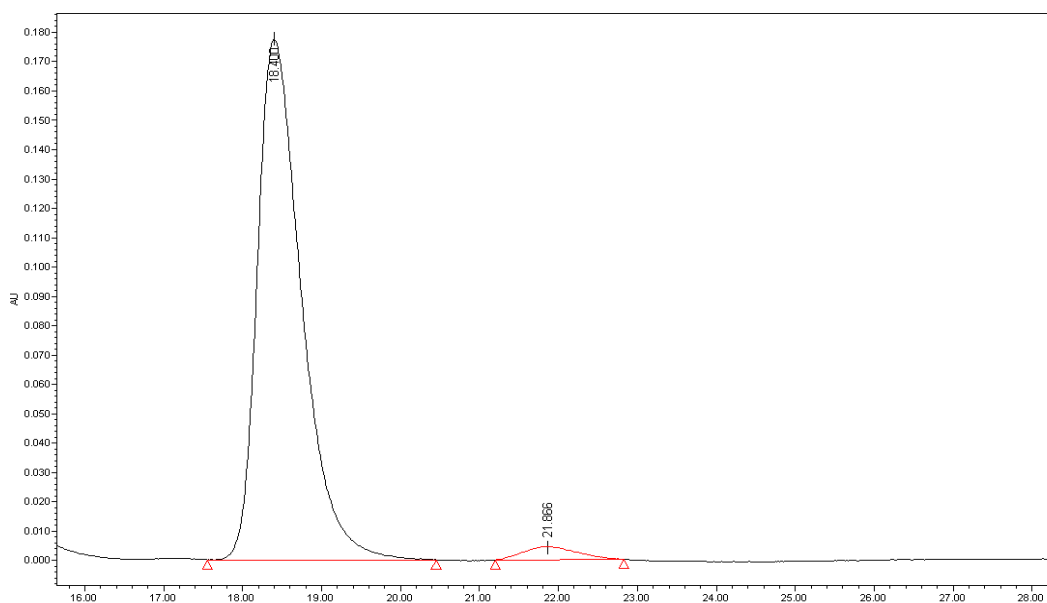


	Time/min	Area	Height	Area%
1	17.353	3337311	105949	92.24
2	20.000	204123	6238	5.76

Figure S106, the HPLC spectrum of compound **2n**, related to **Scheme 2**

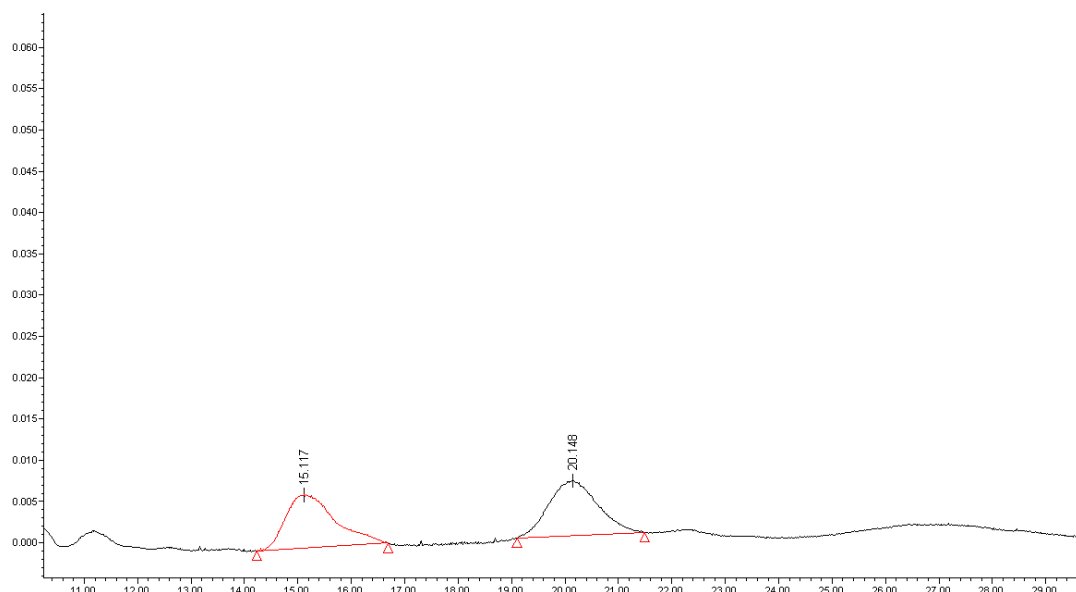


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1	17.027	164795	5122	50.30
2	19.334	162811	3939	49.70

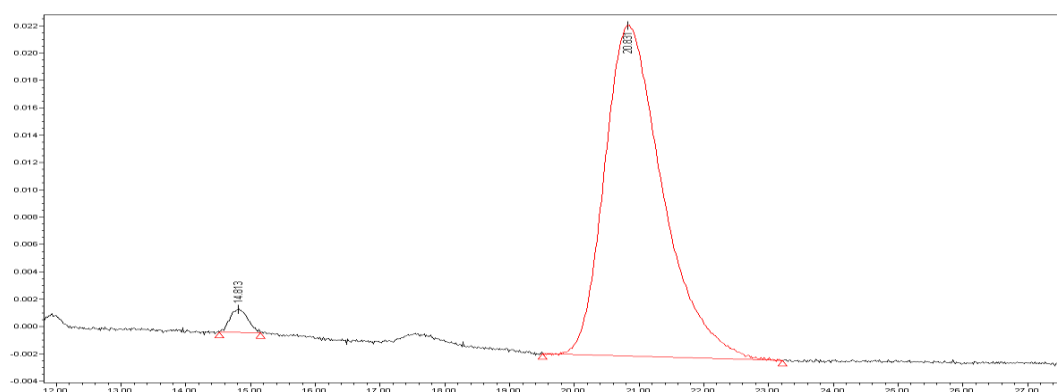


	Time/min	Area	Height	Area%
1	18.401	7131377	184341	97.26
2	21.860	200971	4212	2.74

Figure S107, the HPLC spectrum of compound **2o**, related to **Scheme 2**

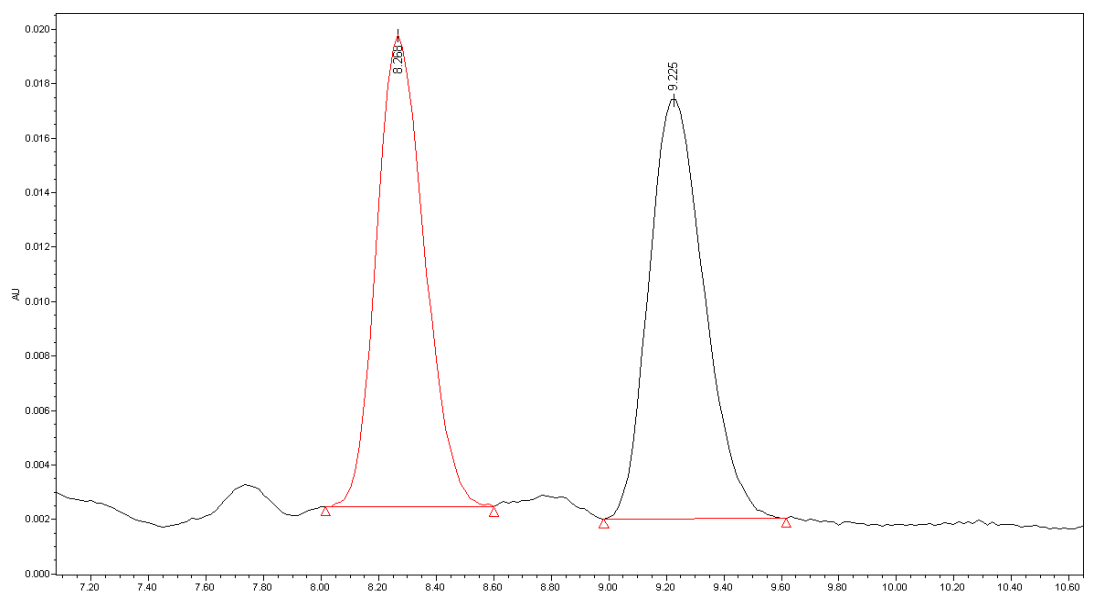


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1	15.117	410167	49.22	49.22
2	20.148	423245	6676	50.78

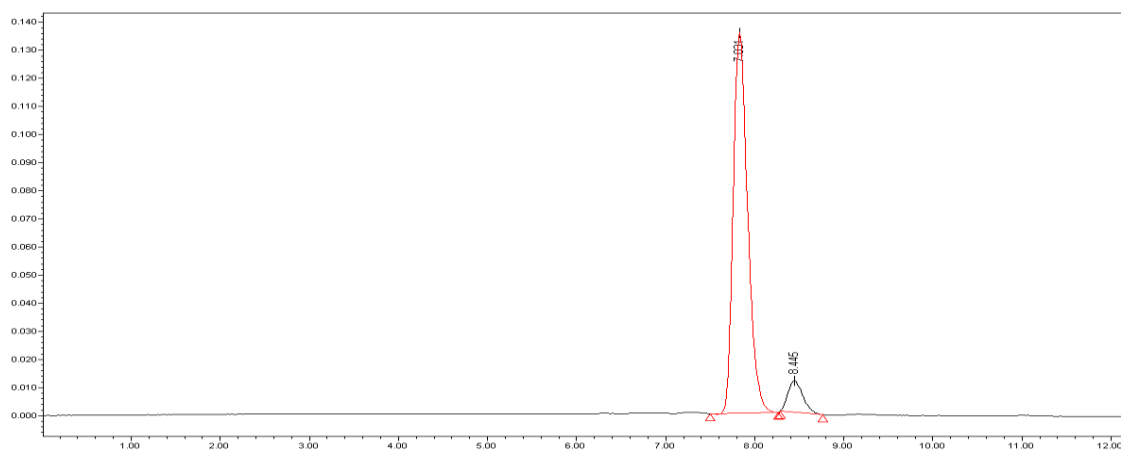


	Time/min	Area	Height	Area%
1	14.813	32464	1678	2.11
2	20.831	1506048	24186	97.89

Figure S108, the HPLC spectrum of compound **2p**, related to **Scheme 2**

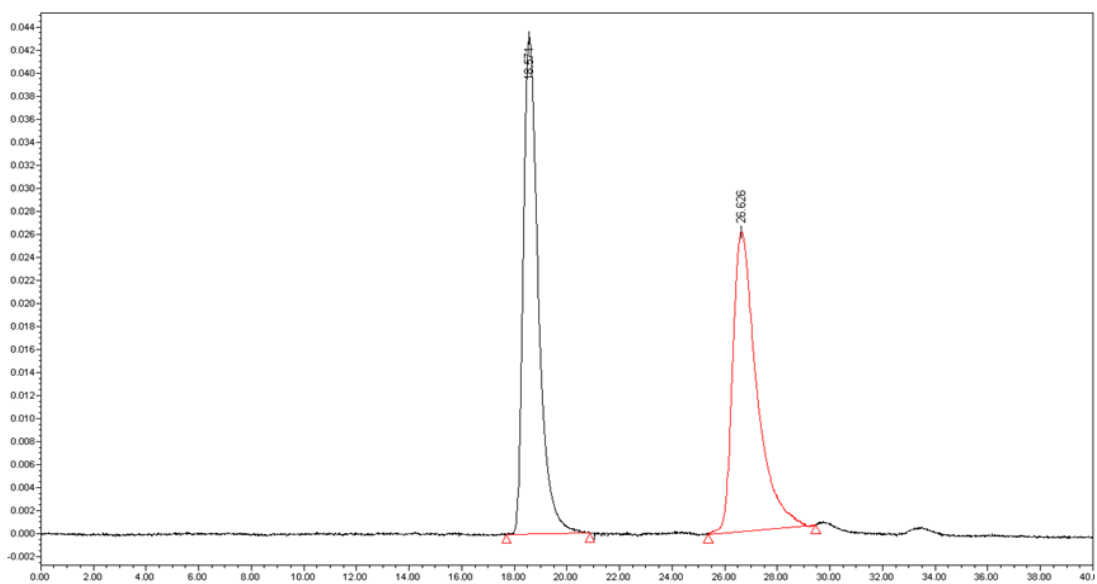


	Time/min	Area	Height	Area%
1	8.268	200472	17266	49.74
2	9.225	202602	15387	50.26

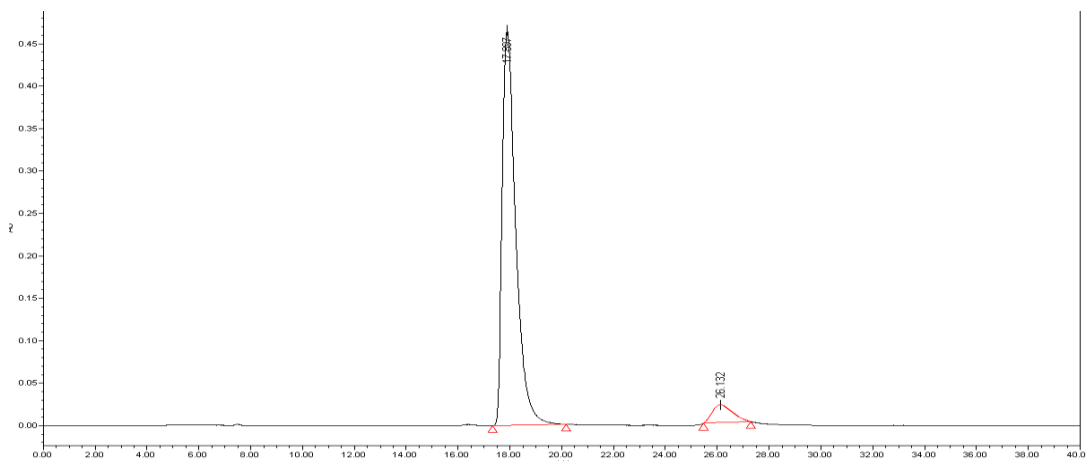


	Time/min	Area	Height	Area%
1	7.831	1527382	135633	92.00
2	8.445	132880	11364	8.00

Figure S109, the HPLC spectrum of compound **2q**, related to **Scheme 2**

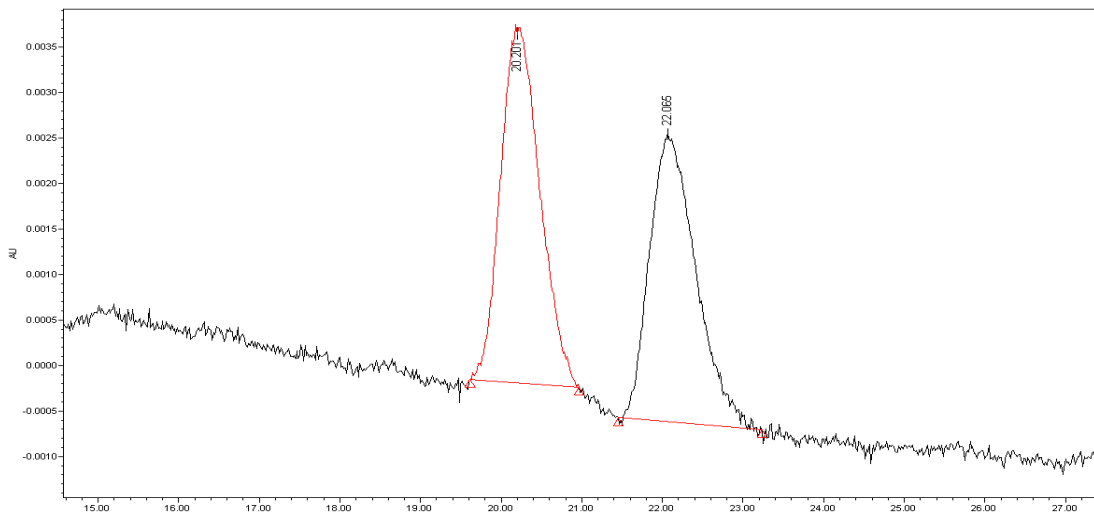


	Time/min	Area	Height	Area%
1	18.571	1716021	43100	50.95
2	26.626	1652184	26019	49.05

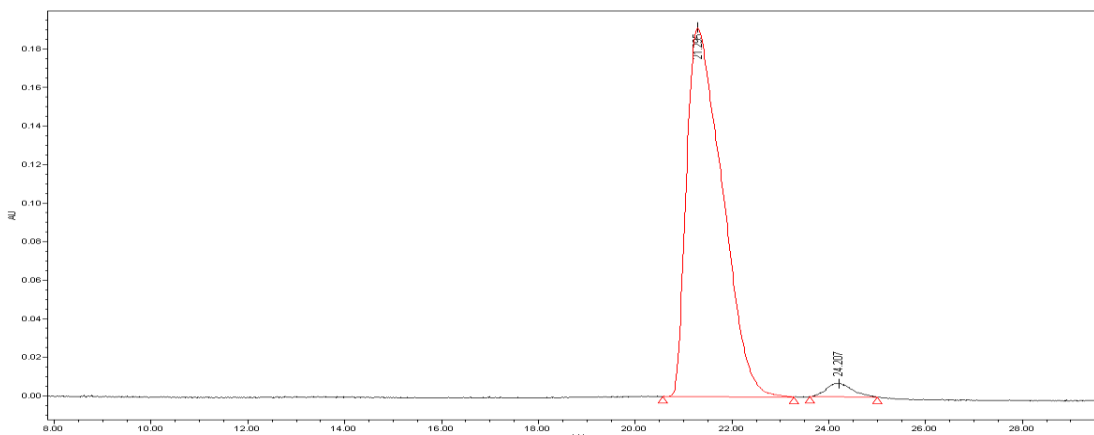


	Time/min	Area	Height	Area%
1	17.897	16892981	465377	93.60
2	26.132	1154284	21004	6.40

Figure S110, the HPLC spectrum of compound **2r**, related to **Scheme 2**

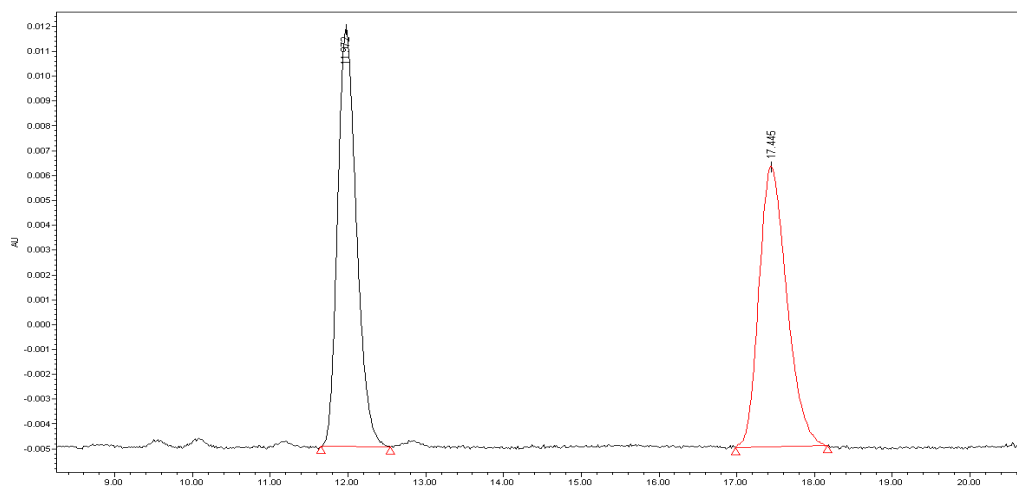


	Time/min	Area	Height	Area%
1	20.208	202251	5635	51.22
2	22.060	192607	4481	48.78

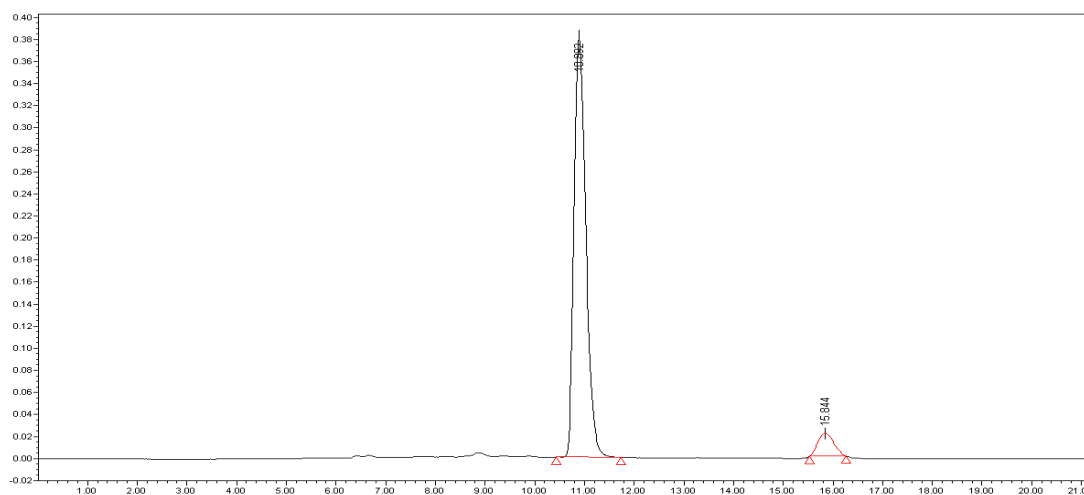


	Time/min	Area	Height	Area%
1	21.295	980883	191494	97.19
2	24.207	283094	7215	2.81

Figure S111, the HPLC spectrum of compound **2s**, related to **Scheme 2**



	Time/min	Area	Height	Area%
1	11.972	284419	16853	49.77
2	17.445	287023	11358	50.23



	Time/min	Area	Height	Area%
1	10.892	383689	383689	93.22
2	15.844	462586	20793	6.78

Figure S112, the HPLC spectrum of compound **2t**, related to **Scheme 2**

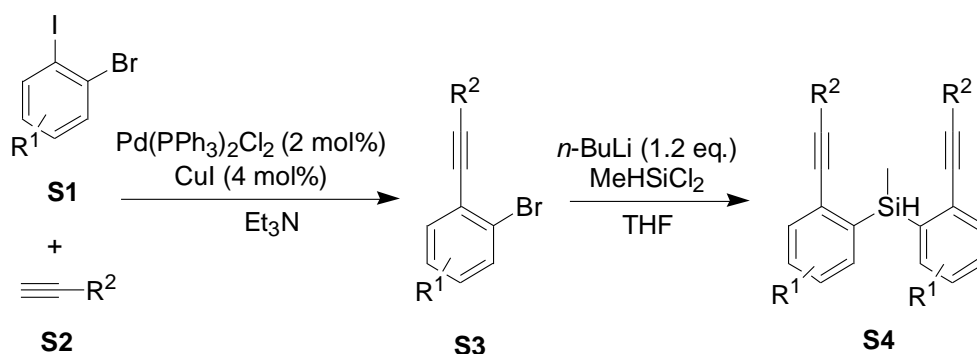
Transparent Methods

1. General information:

Unless specifically stated, all reagents were commercially obtained and where appropriate, purified prior to use. For example, all the aldehydes recrystallized or distilled prior to use. Dichloromethane, toluene, were freshly distilled from CaH_2 , Ether (Et_2O), tetrahydrofuran (THF) and 1, 4-dioxane were dried and distilled from metal sodium and benzophenone. Alcohol solvents were dried and distilled from metal magnesium. Other commercially available reagents and solvents were used directly without purification. Reactions were monitored by thin layer chromatography (TLC) using silica gel plates. Flash column chromatography was performed over silica (300 - 400 mesh). ^1H , ^{13}C , ^{31}P , ^{19}F and ^{29}Si NMR spectra were recorded on a *Bruker* 400 MHz or 500 MHz spectrometer in CDCl_3 . Multiplicities were given as: s (singlet); d (doublet); dd (doublets of doublet); t (triplet); q (quartet); td (triplet of doublets); tt (triplet of triplets) ddd (doublet of doublet of doublets) or m (multiplets). or m (multiplets). High resolution mass spectra (HRMS) of the products were obtained on a *Bruker* Daltonics micro TOF-spectrometer. HPLC was carried out with a *Agilent* 1260 infinity or *Waters* AcQuity UPLC using a chiralcel IA column, a chiral INA column (from *Phenomenex*) and a Chiralcel OD-H column.

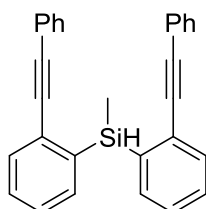
2. General procedure for the synthesis of Si-tethered bisalkynes

(Substrate 1)



The synthesis of **S3**: A 50 mL single-necked, round-bottomed flask equipped with an egg-shaped magnetic stir bar is flame-dried under vacuum. After cooling to 23 °C, Pd(PPh₃)₂Cl₂ (140 mg, 0.2 mmol, 2 mol %) and CuI (75 mg, 0.4 mmol, 4 mol %) is added, the reaction flask is put under an atmosphere of N₂, and **S1** (10 mmol), Et₃N (18 mL, 120 mmol, 1.8 equiv), and **S2** (10.2 g, 11 mmol, 1.1 equiv) is added via syringe resulting in a clear solution with a brown color. the reaction mixture is stirred at rt for 4 h. The solution was then diluted with EA (20 mL), and washed with water (2 × 20 mL) and brine (2 × 20 mL). The organics were then passed through a hydrophobic frit and concentrated under reduced pressure to give a yellow oil, which was purified by flash chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether) to afford **S3**.

The synthesis of **S4** (substrate 1 in the text): A 50 mL single-necked, round-bottomed flask equipped with an egg-shaped magnetic stir bar is flame-dried under vacuum. After cooling to 23 °C, **S3** is added, the reaction flask is put under an atmosphere of N₂, 5 ml (2.5 mmol) of a 2.5 M solution *n*-BuLi in hexanes was added at -78 °C. The resulting solution was stirred at -78 °C for 1 h, and then 0.6 mL of MeHSiCl₂ (6 mmol, 0.6 equiv) was added slowly to the above mixture at the same temperature. The reaction mixture was stirred for 4 hours at rt. When the reaction is complete, it was quenched with saturated aqueous NH₄Cl (10 mL) and stirred vigorously for 5 minutes. The aqueous phase was extracted with ethyl acetate (3×40 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure. Which was purified by flash chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether) to afford **S4**.



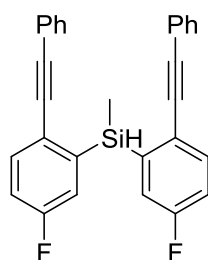
Methylbis(2-(phenylethynyl)phenyl)silane (1a)

White solid. mp 75.4-77.6 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.57 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H), 7.42 – 7.32 (m, 6H), 7.32 – 7.22 (m, 9H), 5.36 (q, J = 3.8 Hz, 1H), 0.82 (d, J = 3.8 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 137.9, 136.2, 132.1, 131.5, 129.6, 129.4, 128.4, 128.3, 127.7, 123.4, 93.0, 90.4, -5.0.

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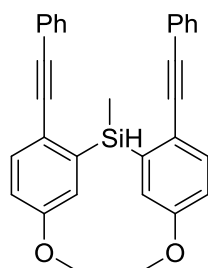
Bis(5-fluoro-2-(phenylethynyl)phenyl)(methyl)silane (1b)

White solid. mp 112.0-112.4 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.55 (dd, J = 8.4, 5.2 Hz, 2H), 7.35 (dd, J = 6.7, 3.0 Hz, 4H), 7.30 (d, J = 5.3 Hz, 2H), 7.24 (s, 1H), 7.22 (d, J = 2.6 Hz, 1H), 7.06 (m, J = 8.5, 2.7 Hz, 2H), 5.30 (q, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 0.81 (d, J = 3.8 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 139.5, 136.2, 134.5, 132.7, 131.5, 129.2, 128.67, 128.4, 128.2, 123.6, 92.5, 90.6, 21.4, -4.7.

HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M+Na]⁺ Calcd for C₂₉H₂₀F₂NaSi, 457.1195; found 457.1215.



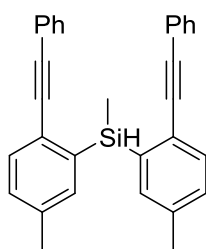
Bis(5-methoxy-2-(phenylethynyl)phenyl)(methyl)silane (1c)

White solid. mp 102.9-104.2 °C.

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.51 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.36 – 7.31 (m, 4H), 7.30 – 7.26 (m, 6H), 7.12 (d, $J = 2.7$ Hz, 2H), 6.88 (dd, $J = 8.5, 2.7$ Hz, 2H), 5.29 (q, $J = 3.8$ Hz, 1H), 3.65 (s, 6H), 0.82 (d, $J = 3.8$ Hz, 3H).

^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 159.0, 139.6, 133.7, 131.4, 128.4, 128.0, 123.7, 121.6, 121.31, 115.3, 91.4, 90.4, 55.2, -5.0.

HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ Calcd for $\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{26}\text{NaO}_2\text{Si}$, 481.1594; found 481.1611.



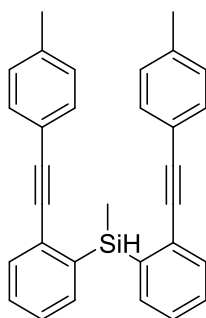
Methylbis(5-methyl-2-(phenylethynyl)phenyl)silane (1d)

Yellow oil.

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.38 (s, 1H), 7.36 (s, 1H), 7.34 (d, $J = 1.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.28 – 7.24 (m, 3H), 7.22 – 7.20 (m, 3H), 7.19 (s, 4H), 7.08 (dd, $J = 7.8, 1.2$ Hz, 2H), 5.19 (q, $J = 3.8$ Hz, 1H), 2.12 (s, 6H), 0.73 (d, $J = 3.9$ Hz, 3H).

^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 137.8, 137.4, 137.1, 132.0, 131.5, 130.3, 128.3, 128.1, 126.2, 123.7, 92.1, 90.5, 21.5, -5.1.

HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ Calcd for $\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{26}\text{NaSi}$, 449.1696; found 449.1868.



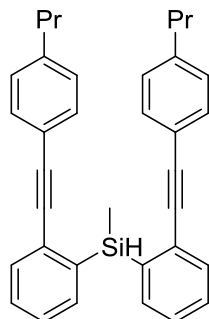
Methylbis(2-(*p*-tolylethynyl)phenyl)silane (1e)

Yellow solid. mp 88.1-92.2 °C.

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^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 138.5, 137.8, 136.2, 131.9, 131.4, 129.6, 129.5, 129.2, 127.5, 120.4, 93.2, 89.8, 21.6, -5.0.

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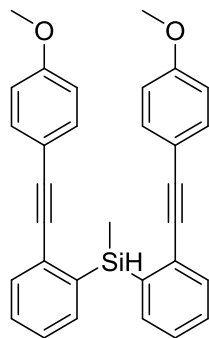
Methylbis(2-((4-propylphenyl)ethynyl)phenyl)silane (1f)

Yellow solid. mp 65.5-68.6 °C.

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.56 (d, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 4H), 7.36 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 2H), 7.26 (t, $J = 4.0$ Hz, 6H), 7.09 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 4H), 5.34 (q, $J = 3.8$ Hz, 1H), 2.61 – 2.52 (m, 4H), 1.62 (dd, $J = 15.1, 7.5$ Hz, 4H), 0.93 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 6H), 0.81 (d, $J = 3.8$ Hz, 3H).

^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 143.2, 137.8, 136.2, 132.0, 131.4, 129.6, 129.5, 128.6, 127.5, 120.6, 93.2, 89.9, 38.1, 24.5, 13.9, -4.9.

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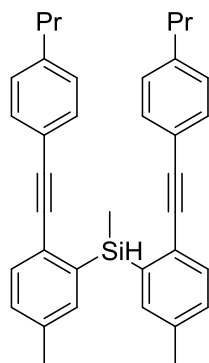
Bis(2-((4-methoxyphenyl)ethynyl)phenyl)(methyl)silane (1g)

White solid. mp 118.5-120.7 °C.

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^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 159.7, 137.7, 136.2, 133.0, 131.8, 129.7, 129.5, 127.3, 115.6, 114.1, 93.0, 89.2, 55.4, -5.0.

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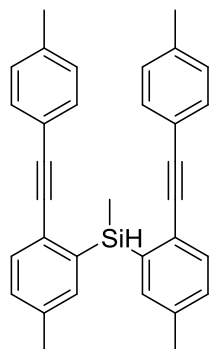
Methylbis(5-methyl-2-((4-propylphenyl)ethynyl)phenyl)silane (1h)

White solid. mp 105.5-106.3 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.43 (s, 1H), 7.41 (s, 3H), 7.25 (s, 2H), 7.23 (s, 2H), 7.15 (d, J = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.13 (d, J = 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.09 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 4H), 5.24 (q, J = 3.8 Hz, 1H), 2.63 – 2.52 (m, 4H), 2.18 (s, 6H), 1.62 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 4H), 0.93 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 6H), 0.79 (d, J = 3.8 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 143.0, 137.7, 137.2, 137.1, 131.9, 131.4, 130.3, 128.5, 126.4, 120.9, 92.3, 89.9, 38.1, 24.5, 21.5, 13.9, -5.0.

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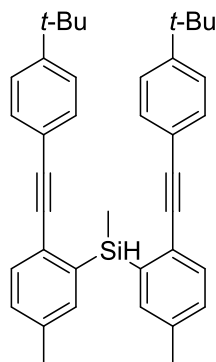
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Yellow solid. mp 126.0-130.1 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.36 (s, 1H), 7.33 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 3H), 7.15 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 4H), 7.10 – 7.03 (m, 2H), 7.01 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 4H), 5.17 (q, J = 3.7 Hz, 1H), 2.25 (s, 6H), 2.12 (s, 6H), 0.71 (d, J = 3.8 Hz, 3H).

^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 138.2, 138.0, 137.7, 137.6, 137.2, 137.2, 137.0, 135.4, 131.9, 131.8, 131.4, 131.1, 130.3, 130.1, 129.1, 127.2, 126.3, 125.6, 120.6, 96.1, 92.2, 91.6, 89.9, 21.6, 21.6, 21.5, -5.0.

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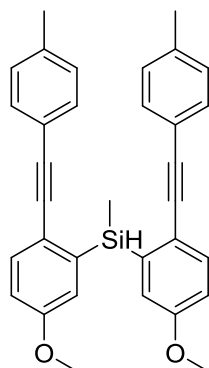
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Yellow solid. mp 116.7-119.1 °C.

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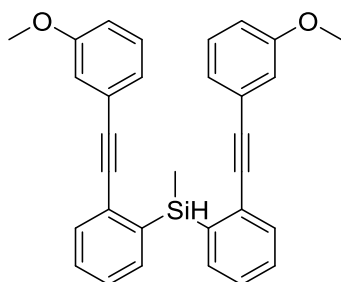
Bis(5-methoxy-2-(p-tolyethynyl)phenyl)(methyl)silane (1k)

Yellow solid. mp 117.3-118.1 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.39 (s, 1H), 7.36 (s, 1H), 7.14 (s, 2H), 7.12 (s, 2H), 7.02 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 2H), 6.96 (s, 2H), 6.94 (s, 2H), 6.75 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 6.73 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 5.20 (q, *J* = 3.7 Hz, 1H), 3.50 (s, 6H), 2.19 (s, 6H), 0.72 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.8, 139.5, 138.0, 133.5, 131.2, 129.1, 121.6, 121.5, 120.6, 115.2, 91.6, 89.8, 55.1, 21.5, -5.1.

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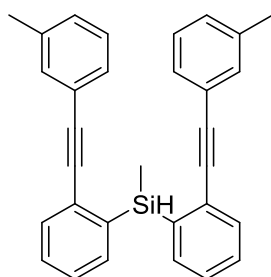
Bis(2-((3-methoxyphenyl)ethynyl)phenyl)(methyl)silane (1l)

Yellow solid. mp 92.9-94.2. °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.71 – 7.47 (m, 4H), 7.39 (dd, *J* = 10.6, 4.4 Hz, 2H), 7.33 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.24 – 7.17 (m, 2H), 7.03 – 6.93 (m, 2H), 6.92 – 6.82 (m, 4H), 5.38 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 3.7 Hz, 1H), 3.77 (s, 6H), 0.83 (d, *J* = 3.9 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.3, 137.8, 136.0, 131.9, 129.5, 129.3, 129.2, 127.6, 124.2, 124.0, 115.9, 115.1, 92.8, 90.1, 55.3, -5.1.

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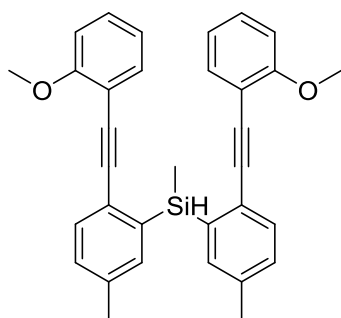
Methylbis(2-(*m*-tolylethynyl)phenyl)silane (1m)

Yellow oil

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.61 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 4H), 7.41 (td, J = 7.6, 1.1 Hz, 2H), 7.31 (dd, J = 11.0, 3.7 Hz, 2H), 7.21 (d, J = 6.1 Hz, 4H), 7.15 (dd, J = 8.3, 5.8 Hz, 4H), 5.41 (q, J = 3.8 Hz, 1H), 2.34 (s, 6H), 0.85 (d, J = 3.8 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 138.0, 137.9, 136.2, 132.1, 132.0, 129.6, 129.5, 129.2, 128.55, 128.3, 127.6, 123.2, 93.2, 90.1, 21.3, -5.0.

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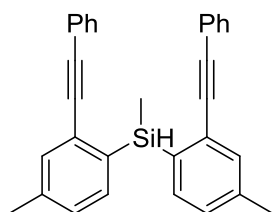
Bis(2-((2-methoxyphenyl)ethynyl)-5-methylphenyl)(methyl)silane (1n)

White solid. mp 102.3-103.8 °C.

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¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.9, 137.7, 137.1, 133.4, 132.0, 130.1, 129.5, 126.5, 120.4, 112.9, 110.6, 94.5, 88.5, 55.5, 21.3, -5.2.

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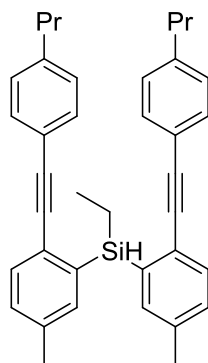
Methylbis(4-methyl-2-(phenylethynyl)phenyl)silane (1o)

Yellow oil.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.45 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.42 (s, 2H), 7.35 (dd, *J* = 6.6, 3.1 Hz, 4H), 7.31 – 7.27 (m, 6H), 7.08 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 5.33 (q, *J* = 3.7 Hz, 1H), 2.34 (s, 6H), 0.79 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 139.5, 136.2, 134.5, 132.7, 131.5, 129.2, 128.7, 128.4, 128.2, 123.6, 92.5, 90.6, 21.37, -4.7.

HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M+Na]⁺ Calcd for C₃₁H₂₆NaSi, 449.1696; found 449.1703.



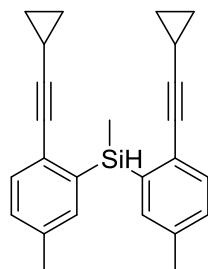
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Yellow oil.

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¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 143.0, 137.4, 137.1, 137.0, 132.0, 131.4, 130.2, 128.5, 126.5, 120.9, 92.1, 90.0, 38.1, 24.5, 21.5, 13.9, 8.9, 3.6.

HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M+Na]⁺ Calcd for C₃₈H₄₀NaSi, 547.2791; found 547.2784.



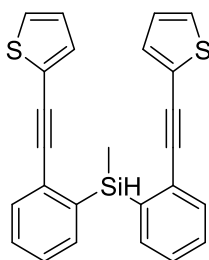
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Yellow oil

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.22 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 4H), 7.05 – 7.00 (m, 2H), 4.94 (q, *J* = 3.8 Hz, 1H), 2.22 (s, 6H), 1.29 – 1.18 (m, 2H), 0.68 – 0.62 (m, 4H), 0.59 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz, 3H), 0.55 – 0.48 (m, 2H), 0.48 – 0.41 (m, 2H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 136.7, 135.6, 135.3, 130.8, 129.1, 126.0, 95.2, 20.6, 7.3, 7.3, -0.7, -6.1.

HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M+Na]⁺ Calcd for C₂₅H₂₆NaSi, 377.1696; found 377.1709.



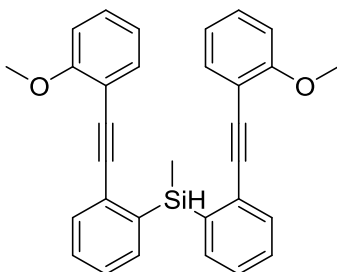
Methylbis(2-(thiophen-2-ylethynyl)phenyl)silane (1r)

White solid. mp 70.5-72.3 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.53 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.45 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.28 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 6.7 Hz, 2H), 7.18 (dd, *J* = 13.9, 6.2 Hz, 4H), 7.03 (d, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 2H), 6.88 (dd, *J* = 5.0, 3.7 Hz, 2H), 5.19 (q, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 0.73 (d, *J* = 3.9 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 137.7, 136.2, 131.8, 129.6, 128.9, 127.8, 127.4, 127.2, 123.4, 94.1, 86.3, -5.1.

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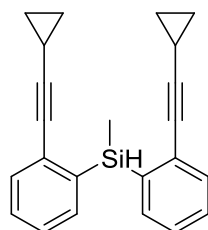
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Yellow oil.

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¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 160.1, 137.9, 136.3, 133.6, 132.2, 129.8, 129.7, 129.4, 127.4, 120.5, 112.8, 110.7, 94.4, 89.4, 55.7, -5.1.

HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M+Na]⁺ Calcd for C₃₁H₂₆NaO₂Si, 481.1594; found 481.1609.



Bis(2-(cyclopropylethynyl)phenyl)(methyl)silane (1t)

Yellow oil.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.48 (d, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.44 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.34 (td, $J = 7.5, 1.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.29 – 7.22 (m, 2H), 5.11 (q, $J = 3.8$ Hz, 1H), 1.36 (m, $J = 9.9, 6.6, 4.2$ Hz, 2H), 0.78 (m, $J = 5.8, 3.0$ Hz, 4H), 0.73 (d, $J = 3.9$ Hz, 3H), 0.69 – 0.63 (m, 2H), 0.60 – 0.53 (m, 2H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 137.8, 135.8, 131.8, 130.1, 129.3, 126.8, 97.2, 8.4, 0.3, -5.2.

HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M+Na]⁺ Calcd for C₂₃H₂₂NaSi, 349.1383; found 349.1400.

For the chiral Ligand (L8)³:

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Colorless solid.

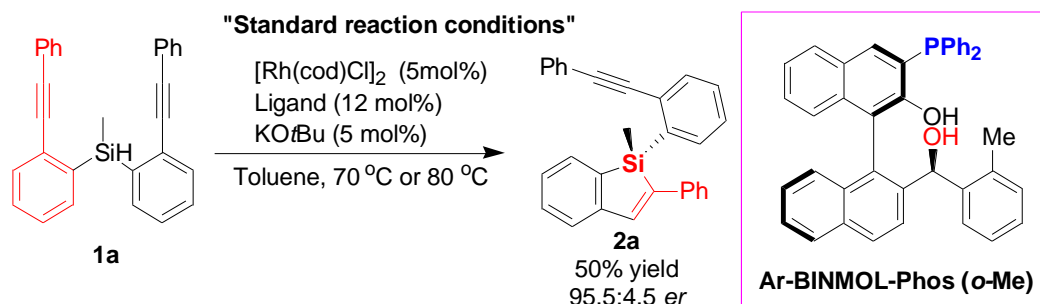
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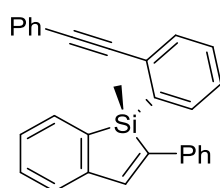
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¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 153.00, 140.34, 139.76, 134.92, 134.44, 134.33, 134.14, 133.83, 133.64, 133.54, 133.10, 131.58, 130.14, 129.31, 128.82, 128.76, 128.75, 128.69, 128.24, 128.15, 127.27, 126.92, 126.65, 126.40, 126.35, 126.19, 125.94, 125.47, 124.91, 123.95, 71.45, 19.44.

3. General procedure for the synthesis of product 2



General procedure for the enantioselective synthesis of benzosilole 2 via Rh-catalyzed intramolecular hydrosilylation. A vial was charged with $[\text{Rh}(\text{cod})\text{Cl}]_2$ (4.9 mg, 5 mol%), **L8** (13.8 mg, 12 mol%), KOtBu (2.7 mg, 12 mol%) and evacuated under high vacuum and backfilled with N_2 . Then toluene (1 mL) was added and stirred at room temperature for about 0.5 h. Subsequently, the methylbis(2-(phenylethynyl)phenyl)silane **1a** (79.6 mg, 0.2 mmol) were added to the reaction mixture and was stirred at 70 °C. Upon reaction completion (72 h, TLC, eluent: hexane), the mixture was filtered over a plug of silica gel (washed with 20 mL EtOAc), and the filtrate was concentrated. The crude was purified by column chromatography to give the products **2**.



(S)-1-methyl-2-phenyl-1-(2-(phenylethynyl)phenyl)-1H-benzo[b]silole (2a)

The mobile phase for flash chromatography: hexane. Yellow oil. (40.1 mg, 50%).

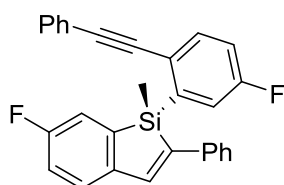
Optical rotation: $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +221.5$ ($c = 0.63$, CHCl_3).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.90 (d, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.70 (s, 1H), 7.58 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 3H), 7.51 (dd, $J = 6.5, 3.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.46 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.35 (dd, $J = 5.0, 1.6$ Hz, 3H), 7.33 – 7.30 (m, 3H), 7.29 – 7.20 (m, 3H), 7.19 – 7.11 (m, 2H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 149.1, 143.4, 142.4, 138.8, 137.6, 137.4, 135.6, 132.8, 132.7, 132.6, 131.5, 131.3, 130.2, 129.8, 129.3, 128.8, 128.5, 128.2, 128.1, 127.8, 127.4, 127.2, 127.1, 127.0, 124.6, 123.2, 92.2, 91.3, -3.6.

HRMS: (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₂₉H₂₃Si, 399.1564; found 399.1567.

HPLC: Enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC with a Chiralcel OD-H column and a Phenomenex column (hexanes: 2-propanol = 99.5:0.5, 0.5 mL/min, 330 nm, 95.5:4.5 *er*); major enantiomer t_r = 26.8 min, minor enantiomer t_r = 30.0 min.



**(R)-6-fluoro-1-(5-fluoro-2-(phenylethynyl)phenyl)-1-methyl-2-phenyl-1H-benzo[*b*]
silole (2b)**

The mobile phase for flash chromatography: hexane. Yellow oil. (32.1 mg, 37%).

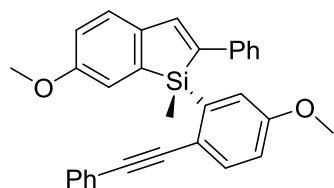
Optical rotation: $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +153.6$ ($c = 0.33$, CHCl₃).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.65 (s, 1H), 7.61 – 7.52 (m, 3H), 7.52 – 7.46 (m, 3H), 7.38 (dd, $J = 5.9, 2.6$ Hz, 3H), 7.34 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 2H), 7.21 (dd, $J = 8.2, 4.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.14 (dd, $J = 8.7, 2.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.08 – 6.94 (m, 3H), 0.98 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 163.8, 163.4, 161.3, 160.9, 145.0, 142.4, 141.8, 140.0, 140.0, 139.9, 138.4, 135.0, 134.9, 131.6, 129.0, 128.8, 128.7, 127.6, 126.9, 125.9, 125.9, 125.4, 123.0, 122.5, 122.2, 120.1, 119.9, 117.4, 117.2, 117.0, 116.8, 92.1, 90.0, -3.9.

HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M+Na]⁺ Calcd for C₂₉H₂₀F₂NaSi, 457.1195; found 457.1120.

HPLC: Enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC with a Phenomenex column and a Chiralcel OD-H column (hexanes: 2-propanol = 95.5:0.5, 0.5 mL/min, 330 nm, 96.1:3.9 *er*); major enantiomer t_r = 46.6 min, minor enantiomer t_r = 48.5 min.



(S)-6-methoxy-1-(5-methoxy-2-(phenylethynyl)phenyl)-1-methyl-2-phenyl-1H-benzo[*b*]silole (2c)

The mobile phase for flash chromatography: hexane/ethyl acetate = 100:1. White solid. mp 74-76 °C. (55 mg, 60%).

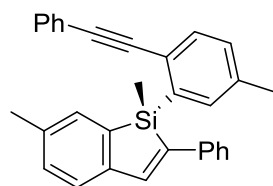
Optical rotation: $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +391.5$ ($c = 1.63$, CHCl_3).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.58 (s, 1H), 7.46 (t, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 6H), 7.24 (dd, $J = 11.0$, 7.3 Hz, 4H), 7.12 (dd, $J = 7.6$, 5.1 Hz, 3H), 6.88 (d, $J = 2.7$ Hz, 1H), 6.73 (ddd, $J = 13.7$, 8.4, 2.6 Hz, 2H), 3.45 (s, 3H), 3.42 (s, 3H), 0.93 (s, 3H).

^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 159.3, 159.0, 142.5, 142.0, 140.0, 140.0, 139.3, 134.3, 131.5, 128.9, 128.6, 128.3, 126.9, 126.9, 125.6, 124.8, 123.6, 121.2, 120.9, 118.4, 116.0, 115.8, 91.8, 90.9, 77.5, 76.8, 55.2, 55.0, -3.3.

HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ Calcd for $\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{26}\text{NaO}_2\text{Si}$, 481.1592; found 481.1581.

HPLC: Enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC with a Chiralpak IA column (hexanes: 2-propanol = 99.3:0.7, 0.6 mL/min, 330 nm, 96.7:3.3 *er*); major enantiomer $t_r = 19.3$ min, minor enantiomer $t_r = 26.5$ min.



(R)-1,6-dimethyl-1-(5-methyl-2-(phenylethynyl)phenyl)-2-phenyl-1H-benzo[*b*]silole (2d)

The mobile phase for flash chromatography: hexane. Yellow oil. (34.9 mg, 41%).

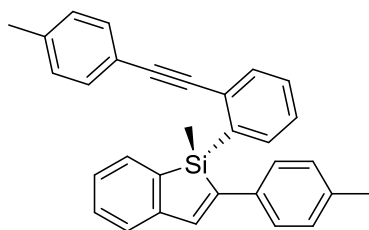
Optical rotation: $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +223.5$ ($c = 0.67$, CHCl_3).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.63 (s, 1H), 7.58 (s, 1H), 7.49 – 7.37 (m, 5H), 7.28 – 7.16 (m, 5H), 7.06 (ddd, $J = 22.1, 15.3, 7.3$ Hz, 5H), 2.14 (s, 3H), 2.08 (s, 3H), 0.86 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 146.6, 142.5, 142.4, 139.2, 137.9, 137.9, 137.4, 136.8, 136.4, 133.9, 132.8, 131.6, 130.8, 130.7, 128.8, 128.5, 128.4, 127.0, 126.3, 124.5, 123.6, 91.7, 91.6, 21.6, 21.5, -3.5.

HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M+Na]⁺ Calcd for C₃₁H₂₆NaSi, 449.1696; found 449.1708.

HPLC: Enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC with a Chiralpak IA column (hexanes: 2-propanol = 99.5:0.5, 0.8 mL/min, 330 nm, 99.3:0.7 *er*); major enantiomer $t_r = 10.0$ min, minor enantiomer $t_r = 11.1$ min.



(S)-1-methyl-2-(p-tolyl)-1-(2-(p-tolylethynyl)phenyl)-1H-benzo[b]silole (2e)

The mobile phase for flash chromatography: hexane. Yellow oil. (34.9 mg, 41%).

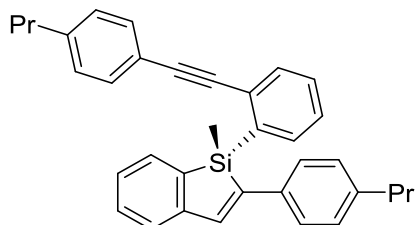
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¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.83 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.60 (s, 1H), 7.50 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.41 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.36 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 3H), 7.27 – 7.17 (m, 3H), 7.06 (ddd, $J = 14.5, 9.9, 4.9$ Hz, 6H), 2.31 (s, 3H), 2.27 (s, 3H), 0.89 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 149.4, 143.4, 141.5, 138.8, 137.7, 137.5, 137.2, 136.0, 135.7, 132.9, 132.7, 131.6, 130.3, 129.8, 129.6, 129.6, 129.4, 127.8, 127.1, 127.0, 124.5, 120.3, 92.5, 90.9, 21.7, 21.4, -3.5.

HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M+Na]⁺ Calcd for C₃₁H₂₆NaSi, 449.1686; found 449.1696.

HPLC: Enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC with a Chiralpak IA column (hexanes: 2-propanol = 99.5:0.5, 0.8 mL/min, 330 nm, 94.6:5.4 *er*); major enantiomer $t_r = 10.2$ min, minor enantiomer $t_r = 21.0$ min.



(S)-1-methyl-2-(4-propylphenyl)-1-(2-((4-propylphenyl)ethynyl)phenyl)-1H-benzosilole (2f)

The mobile phase for flash chromatography: hexane. Yellow oil. (64.9 mg, 71%).

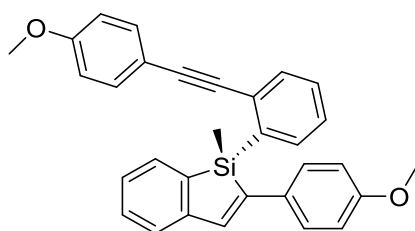
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^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.83 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.60 (s, 1H), 7.50 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.42 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.37 (t, $J = 5.9$ Hz, 3H), 7.27 – 7.17 (m, 3H), 7.13 – 7.01 (m, 6H), 2.57 – 2.46 (m, 4H), 1.57 (dt, $J = 14.6, 7.3$ Hz, 4H), 0.94 – 0.82 (m, 9H).

^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 149.4, 143.5, 143.4, 142.1, 141.6, 137.7, 137.6, 136.3, 135.8, 132.9, 132.7, 131.6, 130.3, 129.8, 129.6, 129.0, 128.8, 127.7, 127.1, 127.0, 124.5, 120.6, 92.6, 90.9, 38.2, 38.0, 24.6, 24.5, 14.1, 13.9, -3.4.

HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ Calcd for $\text{C}_{35}\text{H}_{34}\text{NaSi}$, 505.2322; found 505.2313.

HPLC: Enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC with a Chiralpak IA column (hexanes: 2-propanol = 99.5:0.5, 0.8 mL/min, 330 nm, 93.6:6.5 *er*); major enantiomer $t_r = 7.5$ min, minor enantiomer $t_r = 13.1$ min.



(S)-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(2-((4-methoxyphenyl)ethynyl)phenyl)-1-methyl-1H-benzo[*b*]silole (2g)

The mobile phase for flash chromatography: hexane/ethyl acetate = 100:1. Yellow solid. (52.3 mg, 57%).

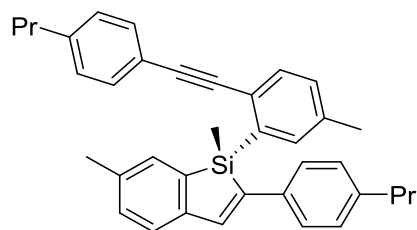
Optical rotation: $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +321.5$ ($c = 1.67$, CHCl_3). mp 64.9 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.88 (d, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.61 – 7.41 (m, 8H), 7.33 – 7.24 (m, 2H), 7.17 – 7.09 (m, 2H), 6.89 (t, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 4H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 0.96 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.9, 159.1, 149.6, 143.0, 140.3, 137.4, 137.4, 135.8, 135.7, 133.1, 132.9, 132.8, 132.5, 132.5, 131.6, 130.3, 129.8, 129.7, 128.9, 128., 127.6, 127.2, 126.8, 124.3, 92.4, 90.2, 55.5, 55.4, -3.4.

HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ Calcd for C₃₁H₂₆NaO₂Si, 481.1584; found 481.1594.

HPLC: Enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC with a Chiralpak IA column (hexanes: 2-propanol = 99.5:0.5, 0.8 mL/min, 330 nm, 90.2:9.8 *er*); major enantiomer $t_r = 22.2$ min, minor enantiomer $t_r = 45.0$ min.



(R)-1,6-dimethyl-1-(5-methyl-2-((4-propylphenyl)ethynyl)phenyl)-2-(4-propylphenyl)-1H-benzo[*b*]silole (2h)

The mobile phase for flash chromatography: hexane. Yellow oil. (82.7 mg, 81%).

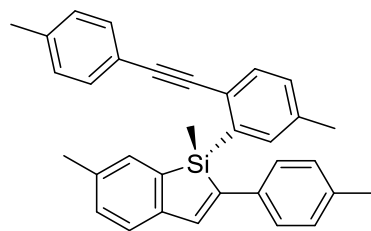
Optical rotation: $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +221.5$ ($c = 0.63$, CHCl_3).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.65 (s, 1H), 7.57 (s, 1H), 7.43 – 7.34 (m, 5H), 7.17 (s, 1H), 7.11 – 6.99 (m, 7H), 2.67 – 2.41 (m, 4H), 2.15 (s, 3H), 2.09 (s, 3H), 1.63 – 1.50 (m, 4H), 0.87 (dt, *J* = 7.3, 3.0 Hz, 9H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 146.8, 143.3, 142.4, 141.7, 141.4, 137.9, 137.6, 137.5, 136.6, 136.5, 136.5, 134.0, 132.7, 131.5, 130.8, 130.6, 128.9, 128.7, 127.0, 126.5, 124.3, 120.8, 91.9, 91.1, 38.1, 37.9, 24.6, 24.5, 21.6, 21.5, 14.0, 13.9, -3.4.

HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M+Na]⁺ Calcd for C₃₇H₃₈NaSi, 533.2635; found 533.2623.

HPLC: Enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC with a Phenomenex column (hexanes: 2-propanol = 99.5:0.5, 0.6 mL/min, 330 nm, 93.9:6.1 *er*); major enantiomer *t_r* = 8.6 min, minor enantiomer *t_r* = 9.6 min.



(*R*)-1,6-dimethyl-1-(5-methyl-2-(*p*-tolylethynyl)phenyl)-2-(*p*-tolyl)-1*H*-benzo[*b*]silole (2i)

The mobile phase for flash chromatography: hexane. Yellow oil. (54.5 mg, 60%).

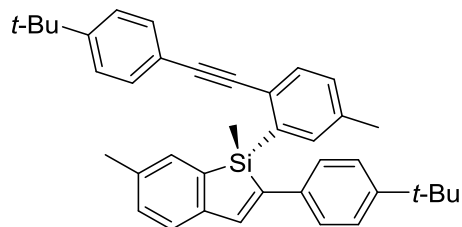
Optical rotation: [α]_D²⁵ = +231.1 (*c* = 1.33, CHCl₃).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.65 (s, 1H), 7.56 (s, 1H), 7.41 – 7.33 (m, 5H), 7.18 (s, 1H), 7.14 – 6.99 (m, 8H), 2.29 (s, 3H), 2.26 (s, 3H), 2.15 (s, 3H), 2.09 (s, 3H), 0.84 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 146.8, 142.3, 141.4, 138.5, 137.9, 137.7, 137.5, 136.9, 136.5, 136.4, 136.3, 134.0, 132.7, 131.5, 130.8, 130.6, 129.5, 129.3, 127.0, 126.5, 124.3, 120.6, 91.8, 91.0, 21.7, 21.6, 21.5, 21.4, -3.5.

HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M+Na]⁺ Calcd for C₃₃H₃₀NaSi, 477.2009; found 477.2019.

HPLC: Enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC with a Phenomenex column (hexanes: 2-propanol = 99.5:0.5, 0.6 mL/min, 330 nm, 95.7:4.3 *er*); major enantiomer $t_r = 9.7$ min, minor enantiomer $t_r = 11.2$ min.



(*R*)-2-(4-(*tert*-butyl)phenyl)-1-(2-((4-(*tert*-butyl)phenyl)ethynyl)-5-methylphenyl)-1,6-dimethyl-1*H*-benzo[*b*]silole (2j)

The mobile phase for flash chromatography: hexane. Yellow oil. (54.8 mg, 51%).

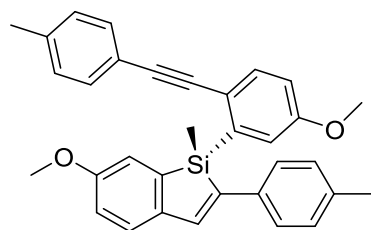
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^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.65 (s, 1H), 7.59 (s, 1H), 7.46 – 7.37 (m, 4H), 7.29 (dd, $J = 15.2, 8.3$ Hz, 4H), 7.19 (s, 1H), 7.17 (s, 1H), 7.07 (dt, $J = 23.2, 7.5$ Hz, 3H), 2.17 (s, 3H), 2.11 (s, 3H), 1.26 (s, 9H), 1.24 (s, 9H), 0.85 (s, 3H).

^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 151.6, 150.1, 146.8, 142.4, 141.6, 138.0, 137.7, 137.5, 136.6, 136.4, 136.3, 133.9, 132.7, 131.3, 130.8, 130.6, 126.8, 126.5, 125.7, 125.5, 124.3, 120.6, 91.9, 91.1, 35.9, 34.7, 31.5, 31.4, 21.6, 21.5, -3.4.

HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ Calcd for $\text{C}_{39}\text{H}_{42}\text{NaSi}$, 561.2948; found 561.2934.

HPLC: Enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC with a Chiralpak IA column (hexanes: 2-propanol = 99.5:0.5, 0.6 mL/min, 330 nm, 92.4:7.6 *er*); major enantiomer $t_r = 7.8$ min, minor enantiomer $t_r = 8.2$ min.



(R)-6-methoxy-1-(5-methoxy-2-(p-tolyethynyl)phenyl)-1-methyl-2-(p-tolyl)-1H-benzo[b]silole (2k)

The mobile phase for flash chromatography: hexane/ethyl acetate = 100:1. Yellow oil. (38.9 mg, 40%).

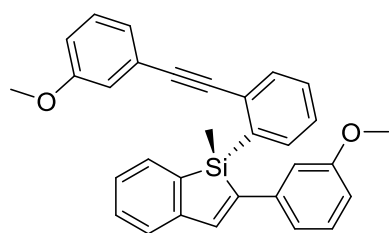
Optical rotation: $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +158.2$ (c = 0.67, CHCl₃).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.56 (s, 1H), 7.49 (d, *J* = 2.6 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (d, *J* = 1.7 Hz, 2H), 7.37 (d, *J* = 1.7 Hz, 2H), 7.14 – 7.09 (m, 2H), 7.09 – 7.04 (m, 3H), 6.89 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 6.75 (ddd, *J* = 15.4, 8.4, 2.7 Hz, 2H), 3.49 (s, 3H), 3.46 (s, 3H), 2.30 (s, 3H), 2.27 (s, 3H), 0.91 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.1, 158.8, 142.2, 141.5, 140.4, 139.6, 139.6, 138.4, 136.7, 136.4, 134.2, 131.4, 129.6, 129.4, 126.8, 125.4, 121.5, 121.0, 120.6, 118.4, 116.0, 115.7, 91.1, 91.0, 55.2, 55.1, 21.7, 21.3, -3.4.

HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M+Na]⁺ Calcd for C₃₃H₃₀NaO₂Si, 509.1907; found 509.1905.

HPLC: Enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC with a Phenomenex column (hexanes: 2-propanol = 99.5:0.5, 0.8 mL/min, 330 nm, 94.0:6.0 *er*); major enantiomer *t_r* = 19.7 min, minor enantiomer *t_r* = 25.4 min.



(S)-2-(3-methoxyphenyl)-1-(2-((3-methoxyphenyl)ethynyl)phenyl)-1-methyl-1H-benzo[b]silole (2l)

The mobile phase for flash chromatography: hexane/ethyl acetate = 100:1. Yellow oil. (36.7 mg, 40%).

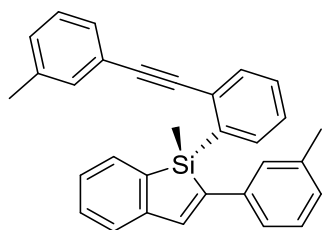
Optical rotation: $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +149.2$ (c = 1.33, CHCl₃).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.93 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.81 – 7.73 (m, 2H), 7.51 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.42 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.26 (ddd, *J* = 9.3, 8.0, 2.4 Hz, 2H), 7.20 – 7.13 (m, 4H), 7.06 – 6.97 (m, 2H), 6.95 – 6.82 (m, 3H), 6.76 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.38 (s, 3H), 0.87 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 160.2, 156.4, 148.1, 142.8, 140.5, 139.4, 137.3, 134.7, 133.6, 132.8, 132.7, 129.9, 129.6, 128.8, 128.8, 128.5, 127.8, 127.3, 127.1, 126.0, 124.2, 121.0, 120.6, 112.9, 111.0, 110.8, 95.6, 88.3, 55.7, 54.3, -3.3.

HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M+Na]⁺ Calcd for C₃₁H₂₆NaO₂Si, 481.1594; found 481.1584.

HPLC: Enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC with a Phenomenex column (hexanes: 2-propanol = 99.6:0.4, 0.8 mL/min, 330 nm, 95.5:4.5 *er*); major enantiomer *t_r* = 26.2 min, minor enantiomer *t_r* = 28.7 min.



(S)-1-methyl-2-(*m*-tolyl)-1-(2-(*m*-tolylethynyl)phenyl)-1H-benzo[*b*]silole (2m)

The mobile phase for flash chromatography: hexane. Yellow oil. (46.9 mg, 55%).

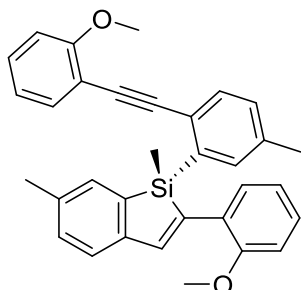
Optical rotation: [α]_D²⁵ = +272.7 (*c* = 0.99, CHCl₃).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.90 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (s, 1H), 7.58 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.47 – 7.41 (m, 2H), 7.37 – 7.32 (m, 4H), 7.30 – 7.22 (m, 4H), 7.19 – 7.12 (m, 3H), 7.06 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 2.34 (s, 3H), 0.98 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 149.3, 143.7, 142.4, 138.9, 138.4, 138.3, 137.8, 137.5, 135.7, 132.9, 132.8, 132.2, 130.3, 129.8, 129.5, 129.5, 128.8, 128.5, 128.2, 127.9, 127.5, 127.1, 124.7, 124.6, 123.2, 92.5, 91.1, 21.7, 21.4, -3.4.

HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M+Na]⁺ Calcd for C₃₁H₂₆NaSi, 449.1696; found 449.1685.

HPLC: Enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC with a Chiralpak IA column (hexanes: 2-propanol = 99.5:0.5, 0.6 mL/min, 330 nm, 92.0:8.0 *er*); major enantiomer $t_r = 26.0$ min, minor enantiomer $t_r = 27.8$ min.



(*R*)-2-(2-methoxyphenyl)-1-(2-((2-methoxyphenyl)ethynyl)-5-methylphenyl)-1,6-dimethyl-1*H*-benzo[*b*]silole (2n)

The mobile phase for flash chromatography: hexane/ethyl acetate = 100:1. Yellow oil. (58.3 mg, 60%).

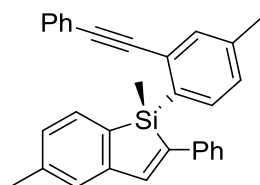
Optical rotation: $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +357.1$ ($c = 1.33$, CHCl_3).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.82 – 7.65 (m, 3H), 7.42 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.24 (td, $J = 8.3, 1.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.19 – 7.10 (m, 1H), 7.07 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 6.98 (ddd, $J = 6.7, 4.3, 1.1$ Hz, 2H), 6.93 – 6.79 (m, 3H), 6.79 – 6.68 (m, 1H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.38 (s, 3H), 2.15 (s, 3H), 2.05 (s, 3H), 0.84 (s, 3H).

^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 160.1, 156.3, 145.6, 142.7, 140.6, 139.3, 137.1, 136.6, 136.4, 135.4, 133.7, 133.5, 132.7, 130.2, 129.7, 129.6, 128.2, 128.1, 126.1, 125.7, 124.0, 120.9, 120.6, 113.1, 110.9, 110.7, 95.9, 87.6, 55.7, 54.3, 21.6, -3.2.

HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ Calcd for $\text{C}_{37}\text{H}_{38}\text{NaSi}$, 509.1907; found 509.1899.

HPLC: Enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC with a Phenomenex column (hexanes: 2-propanol = 99.5:0.5, 0.8 mL/min, 330 nm, 92.2:5.8 *er*); major enantiomer $t_r = 17.3$ min, minor enantiomer $t_r = 20.0$ min.



(S)-1,5-dimethyl-1-(4-methyl-2-(phenylethynyl)phenyl)-2-phenyl-1H-benzo[*b*]silole (2o)

The mobile phase for flash chromatography: hexane. Yellow oil. (41.7 mg, 49%).

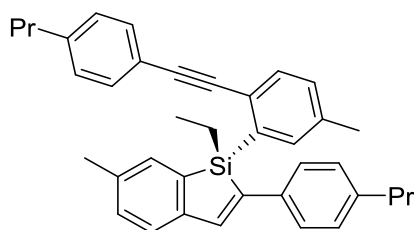
Optical rotation: $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +201.6$ ($c = 0.65$, CHCl_3).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.76 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.66 (s, 1H), 7.57 (d, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.50 (dd, $J = 6.6, 3.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.43 (s, 1H), 7.36 (dd, $J = 6.3, 3.4$ Hz, 4H), 7.34 – 7.30 (m, 2H), 7.23 (s, 1H), 7.11 (s, 1H), 6.99 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 2H), 2.31 (d, $J = 4.3$ Hz, 6H), 0.94 (s, 3H).

^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 149.6, 144.0, 142.4, 140.3, 139.9, 139.1, 135.8, 134.4, 134.1, 133.5, 132.8, 131.6, 129.3, 128.9, 128.9, 128.5, 128.5, 127.9, 127.2, 127.1, 125.7, 123.5, 91.9, 91.5, 21.7, 21.3, -3.3.

HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ Calcd for $\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{27}\text{Si}$, 427.1877; found 427.1884.

HPLC: Enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC with a Chiralpak IA column (hexanes: 2-propanol = 99.5:0.5, 0.5 mL/min, 330 nm, 97.3:2.7 *er*); major enantiomer $t_r = 18.4$ min, minor enantiomer $t_r = 21.9$ min.



(R)-1-ethyl-6-methyl-1-(5-methyl-2-((4-propylphenyl)ethynyl)phenyl)-2-(4-propylphenyl)-1H-benzo[*b*]silole (2p)

The mobile phase for flash chromatography: hexane. Yellow oil. (42.0 mg, 41%).

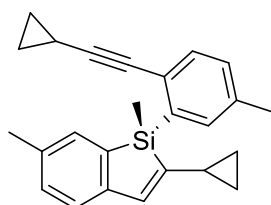
Optical rotation: $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +97.8$ ($c = 0.67$, CHCl_3).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.59 (d, J = 14.6 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.34 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.21 – 7.17 (m, 1H), 7.15 (s, 1H), 7.06 (ddd, J = 15.3, 10.1, 4.2 Hz, 6H), 6.97 – 6.91 (m, 1H), 6.88 – 6.81 (m, 1H), 2.57 – 2.45 (m, 4H), 2.16 (s, 3H), 2.10 (s, 2H), 1.56 (dd, J = 15.9, 8.0 Hz, 4H), 1.32 (dd, J = 15.1, 7.8 Hz, 2H), 0.90 – 0.83 (m, 9H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 147.4, 143.2, 142.2, 141.6, 141.5, 137.6, 136.9, 136.9, 136.8, 136.7, 136.4, 134.2, 132.8, 131.5, 130.7, 130.6, 128.9, 128.8, 128.7, 128.6, 127.0, 126.6, 126.6, 124.2, 120.9, 91.6, 91.1, 38.1, 37.9, 24.6, 24.5, 21.6, 21.5, 14.0, 13.9, 7.7, 5.0, 1.2.

HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M+Na]⁺ Calcd for C₃₈H₄₀NaSi, 547.2791; found 547.2781.

HPLC: Enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC with a Chiralcel AD-H column (hexanes: 2-propanol = 99.5:0.5, 0.6 mL/min, 330 nm, 97.9:2.1 *er*); major enantiomer t_r = 14.8 min, minor enantiomer t_r = 20.8 min.



(R)-2-cyclopropyl-1-(2-(cyclopropylethynyl)-5-methylphenyl)-1,6-dimethyl-1H-benzo[*b*]silole (2q)

The mobile phase for flash chromatography: hexane. Yellow oil. (31.9 mg, 45%).

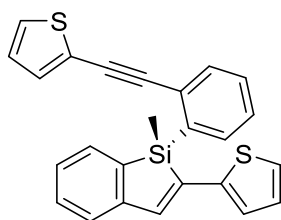
Optical rotation: $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +162.2$ ($c = 0.33$, CHCl₃).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.42 (s, 1H), 7.28 (dd, J = 1.2, 0.5 Hz, 1H), 7.23 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.16 (s, 1H), 7.03 – 6.97 (m, 2H), 6.94 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.84 (s, 1H), 2.22 (s, 3H), 2.19 (s, 3H), 1.79 – 1.69 (m, 1H), 1.42 – 1.30 (m, 1H), 0.81 – 0.69 (m, 6H), 0.61 (s, 3H), 0.59 – 0.43 (m, 2H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 149.2, 147.0, 140.3, 137.2, 137.1, 136.8, 135.9, 135.3, 133.5, 132.6, 130.5, 130.4, 127.0, 122.8, 95.3, 21.6, 21.5, 14.4, 8.6, 8.2, 8.1, 1.2, 0.6, -4.0.

HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M+Na]⁺ Calcd for C₂₅H₂₆NaSi, 377.1696; found 377.1689.

HPLC: Enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC with a Phenomenex column (hexanes: 2-propanol = 99.5:0.5, 0.6 mL/min, 330 nm, 92.0:8.0 *er*); major enantiomer t_r = 7.8 min, minor enantiomer t_r = 8.4 min.



(R)-1-methyl-2-(thiophen-2-yl)-1-(2-(thiophen-2-ylethynyl)phenyl)-1H-benzo[b]sileole (2r)

The mobile phase for flash chromatography: hexane. colorless solid. (61.7 mg, 75%).

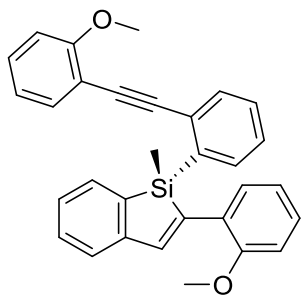
Optical rotation: $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +66.5$ ($c = 0.33$, CHCl₃). mp 143.5-146.4 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.77 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.47 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.42 (d, $J = 5.8$ Hz, 2H), 7.26 – 7.14 (m, 5H), 7.12 – 7.09 (m, 2H), 7.04 (d, $J = 0.7$ Hz, 1H), 6.93 (dd, $J = 5.0, 3.7$ Hz, 1H), 6.90 – 6.83 (m, 2H), 0.84 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 149.1, 144.1, 141.3, 137.0, 136.8, 135.7, 133.0, 132.4, 132.2, 130.5, 130.0, 129.0, 128.1, 127.9, 127.8, 127.4, 127.1, 126.7, 124.6, 124.5, 123.3, 94.9, 85.9, -3.8.

HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M+H]⁺ Calcd for C₂₅H₁₉S₂Si, 411.0692; found 411.0678.

HPLC: Enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC with a Phenomenex column (hexanes: 2-propanol = 99.5:0.5, 0.6 mL/min, 330 nm, 93.6:6.4 *er*); major enantiomer t_r = 17.9 min, minor enantiomer t_r = 26.1 min.



(*R*)-2-(2-methoxyphenyl)-1-(2-((2-methoxyphenyl)ethynyl)phenyl)-1-methyl-1*H*-benzo[*b*]silole (2s)

The mobile phase for flash chromatography: hexane/ethyl acetate = 100:1. Yellow oil. (20.7 mg, 30%).

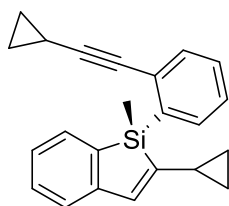
Optical rotation: $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +117.9$ ($c = 0.67$, CHCl_3).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.80 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.60 (s, 1H), 7.51 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.42 – 7.37 (m, 1H), 7.22 (dddd, $J = 20.7, 10.7, 6.3, 2.1$ Hz, 5H), 7.14 – 7.00 (m, 5H), 6.96 – 6.92 (m, 1H), 6.86 – 6.80 (m, 1H), 6.73 (dd, $J = 8.1, 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.73 (s, 3H), 3.70 (s, 3H), 0.89 (s, 3H).

^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 160.0, 159.5, 149.1, 143.5, 142.9, 140.4, 137.7, 137.4, 135.8, 132.9, 132.8, 130.3, 129.9, 129.8, 129.6, 129.3, 128.0, 127.3, 124.7, 124.3, 124.2, 120.1, 116.5, 115.1, 113.0, 112.2, 92.3, 91.1, 55.4, 55.3, -3.5.

HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ Calcd for $\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{26}\text{NaO}_2\text{Si}$, 481.1594; found 481.1609.

HPLC: Enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC with a Phenomenex column (hexanes: 2-propanol = 99.3:0.7, 0.7 mL/min, 330 nm, 97.2:2.8 *er*); major enantiomer $t_r = 21.3$ min, minor enantiomer $t_r = 24.2$ min.



**(R)-2-cyclopropyl-1-(2-(cyclopropylethynyl)phenyl)-1-methyl-1H-benzo[*b*]silole
(2t)**

The mobile phase for flash chromatography: hexane. Yellow oil. (44.4 mg, 68%).

Optical rotation: $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = +77.8$ ($c = 1.33$, CHCl_3).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.56 (d, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.46 (dd, $J = 7.4, 0.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.33 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.19 (tdd, $J = 8.1, 3.7, 1.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.10 (td, $J = 7.4, 1.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.03 (t, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 6.86 (s, 1H), 1.82 – 1.69 (m, 1H), 1.35 (tt, $J = 8.2, 5.1$ Hz, 1H), 0.80 – 0.69 (m, 6H), 0.64 – 0.61 (m, 3H), 0.59 (dd, $J = 8.9, 4.0$ Hz, 1H), 0.50 – 0.44 (m, 1H).

^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 149.6, 148.7, 139.4, 136.1, 135.8, 134.2, 131.7, 131.5, 129.2, 129.1, 128.7, 126.0, 124.9, 122.1, 95.3, 13.5, 7.9, 7.3, 7.2, -0.5, -5.2.

HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ Calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{22}\text{NaSi}$, 349.1383; found 349.1369.

HPLC: Enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC with a Phenomenex column (hexanes: 2-propanol = 99.5:0.5, 0.6 mL/min, 330 nm, 93.2:6.8 *er*); major enantiomer $t_{\text{r}} = 10.9$ min, minor enantiomer $t_{\text{r}} = 15.8$ min.