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Supporting Information: Cu-Catalyzed Coupling of Aliphatic Amines with Alkylboronic Esters

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1. General Information

All reagents and solvents used were supplied by commercial sources without further purification unless specified. CuBr₂ was typically used as supplied. However, over time the efficiency of the reaction decreases, presumable because CuBr₂ is hydroscopic and so water content affects the true loading of the Cu salt. More consistent results can be obtained if the CuBr₂ has been dried over P₂O₅.

All air-sensitive reactions were carried out under a nitrogen or argon atmosphere using oven-dried apparatus. Anhydrous Et₂O, THF and toluene were dried and purified by passage through activated alumina columns using a solvent purification system. All petroleum ether used was 40-60 °C petroleum ether. Thin layer chromatography (TLC) was performed on aluminium-backed plates precoated with silica. Compounds were visualised by exposure to UV light or by dipping the plates into solutions of phosphomolybdic acid, ninhydrin, vanillin or KMnO₄ followed by heating. All flash chromatography was carried out using silica gel mesh 40-63. It should be noted that the time taken for chromatography of boronic esters should be kept to minimum to avoid extensive decomposition and reduced yields.

Infra-red spectra were recorded on a Perkin Elmer 100 FT instrument on the neat compound. NMR spectra were recorded on Bruker Advance 400 and 500 instruments at the indicated 101, 128, 126, 377, 400 and 500 MHz as dilute solutions in the indicated deuterated solvent. NMR spectra were recorded at ambient temperature unless otherwise stated. All chemical shifts (δ) reported in parts per million (ppm) relative to residual protio solvent (δH: CHCl₃ = 7.27 ppm, DMSO = 2.50 ppm or CH₃CN = 1.94 ppm) or the solvent itself (δ C: CDCl₃ = 77.0 ppm, DMSO = 39.5 ppm or CH₃CN = 1.32, 118.3 ppm). All multiplets are designated by the following abbreviations: s = singlet, br s =broad singlet, d = doublet, dt = doublet triplet, td = triplet doublet, ddd = doublet of doublets of doublets, q = quartet, br q = broad quartet, m = multiplet. All coupling constants (J) are reported in Hertz (Hz). ¹³C NMR data were acquired as DEPT-Q experiments as standard. For samples where quaternary carbons were not observed by DEPT-Q, ¹³C NMR spectra were acquired as decoupled spectra. ¹⁹F NMR spectra acquired as decoupled spectra. High-resolution mass spectra were recorded using either electrospray ionization (ESI) or electron ionisation (EI) by the Chemistry Mass Spectrometry Facility in the Faculty of Science, University of Sheffield. HPLC analysis was performed using an Agilent 1260 Infinity II LC system. Melting points were measured using Linkam HFs91 heating stage, used in conjunction with a TC92 controller and are uncorrected.

2. Substrate synthesis

Boronic esters (1, 6, 22a-d, 22g-22k, 22m-q)¹ and boronic esters (24a, 24b)² were prepared by literature methods.

Amines $S1^3$ and amine 26^4 were prepared were prepared by literature methods.

B(pin) (S)-4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-2-(1-phenylethyl)-1,3,2-dioxaborolane ((S)-1)

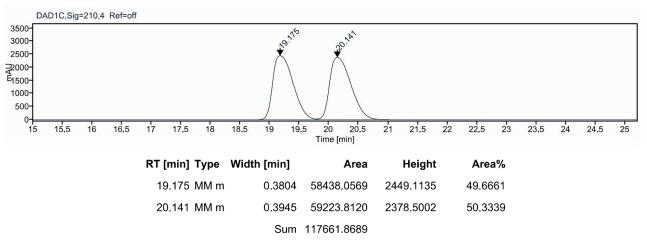
Boronic ester (S)-1 was prepared according to the procedure of Yun and co-workers.⁵

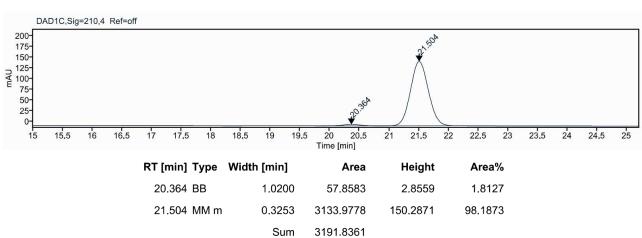
1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.33-7.19 (4H, m, ArH), 7.19-7.08 (1H, m, ArH), 2.45 (1H, q, J = 7.5 Hz, CH), 1.34 (3H, d, J = 7.5 Hz, CHCH₃), 1.22 (6H, s, 2 × CCH₃), 1.21 (6H, s, 2 × CCH₃).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 144.9 (C), 128.3 (2 × CH), 127.8 (2 × CH), 125.1 (CH), 83.3 (2 × C), 24.6 (2 × CH₃), 24.6 (2 × CH₃), 17.0 (CH₃).

¹¹**B NMR** (128 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 33.5.

e.r. = 2:98, measured through chiral HPLC analysis of the corresponding alcohol obtained after oxidation. Chiralpak ID column (250 × 4.6 mm), IPA:hexane = 1:99, 0.7 mL/min, column temperature = 22 °C, (R)-isomer $t_T = 20.4$ min and (S)-isomer $t_T = 21.5$ min.





CI B(pin)

B(pin) (±)-2-[1-(4-Chlorophenyl)ethyl]-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (22e)

Using a modification of the procedure of Yun and co-workers,⁶ an oven-dried flask was charged with CuCl (0.045 g, 0.45 mmol), tBuOK (0.121 g, 1.08 mmol) and dppBz (0.200 g, 0.45 mmol) and purged with N₂. Anhydrous toluene (16 mL) was

added, and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 10 min. Pinacolborane (3.13 mL, 21.6 mmol) was added and the mixture was stirred for 10 min. 4-Chlorostyrene (2.16 mL, 18.0 mmol) was added, and the mixture heated to 60 °C for 16 h. The mixture was cooled to room temperature, passed through a plug of Celite eluting with EtOAc (10 mL), and concentrated *in vacuo*. Flash chromatography (2% EtOAc/petroleum ether) of the crude material gave boronic ester **22e** (1.41 g, 81%) as a white solid. The data were consistent with the literature.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) 7.25-7.22 (2H, m, Ar**H**), 7.17-7.14 (2H, m, Ar**H**), 2.41 (1H, q, J = 7.5 Hz, C**H**), 1.31 (3H, d, J = 7.5 Hz, C**H**₃), 1.21 (6H, s, $2 \times \text{CCH}_3$), 1.20 (6 H, s, $2 \times \text{CCH}_3$).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 143.5 (C), 130.7 (C), 129.1 (2 × CH), 128.3 (2 × CH), 83.4 (2 × C), 24.6 (2 × CH₃), 24.6 (2 × CH₃), 16.9 (CH₃).

¹¹**B NMR** (128 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 33.3.

Using a modification of the procedure of Yun and co-workers,⁶ an oven-dried flask was charged with CuCl (0.0147 g, 0.148 mmol), tBuOK (0.0400 g, 0.356 mmol) and dppBz (0.0661 g, 0.148 mmol) and purged with N₂. Anhydrous toluene (3 mL) was added, and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 10 min. Pinacolborane (1.0 mL, 7.1 mmol) was added and the mixture was stirred for 10 min. A solution of methyl 4-vinylbenzoate (0.963 g, 5.94 mmol) in toluene (4 mL) was added, and the mixture heated to 60 °C for 16 h. The mixture was cooled to room temperature, passed through a plug of Celite eluting with EtOAc (10 mL), and concentrated *in vacuo*. Flash chromatography (100% hexane/0% Et₂O \rightarrow 90% hexane/10% Et₂O) of the crude material gave boronic ester **22f** (0.756 g, 44%) as a white solid. The data were consistent with the literature.⁷

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.95-7.91 (m, 2H), 7.30-7.26 (m, 2H), 3.89 (s, 3H), 2.51 (q, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 1.35 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 4H), 1.20 (s, 7H), 1.19 (s, 6H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.3 (C), 150.8 (C), 129.7 (2 × CH), 127.7 (2 × CH), 127.1 (C), 83.5 (C), 51.9 (CH₃), 24.6 (2 × CH₃), 24.5 (2 × CH₃), 16.4 (CH₃).

¹¹**B NMR** (128 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 33.5.

 $(\pm)\text{-}4,4,5,5\text{-}Tetramethyl-2-[1-(2-naphthalen-1-yl)ethyl]-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (22l).}$

Using a modification of the procedure of Yun and co-workers,⁶ an oven-dried flask was charged with CuCl (0.064 g, 0.65 mmol), tBuOK (0.174 g, 1.55 mmol) and dppBz (0.290 g, 0.650 mmol) and purged with N₂. Anhydrous toluene (16 mL) was added, and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 10 min. Pinacolborane (4.5 mL, 31 mmol) was added and the mixture was stirred for 10 min. 2-Vinylnaphthalene (4.00 g, 26.0 mmol) was added, and the mixture heated to 60 °C for 16 h. The mixture was cooled to room temperature, passed through a plug of Celite eluting with EtOAc (10 mL), and concentrated *in vacuo*. Flash chromatography (4% EtOAc/petroleum ether) of the crude material gave boronic ester **22l** (6.20 g, 84%) as a white solid. The data were consistent with the literature.⁸

m.p 80-81 °C (EtOAc); literature = 61-63 °C (not specified).⁹

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.80-7.74 (3H, m, Ar**H**), 7.65 (1H, s, Ar**H**), 7.45-7.37 (3H, m, Ar**H**), 2.62 (1H, q, J = 7.5 Hz, C**H**), 1.43 (3H, d, J = 7.5 Hz, CHC**H**₃), 1.22 (6H, s, 2 × CC**H**₃), 1.21 (6H, s, 2 × CC**H**₃).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 142.6 (C), 133.8 (C), 131.7 (C), 127.6 (CH), 127.5 (CH), 127.5 (CH), 127.2 (CH), 125.6 (CH), 125.2 (CH), 124.7 (CH), 83.4 (2 × C), 24.6 (2 × CH₃), 24.6 (2 × CH₃), 16.8 (CH₃).

2-[6-Chloro-1-(phenyl)hexyl]-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (220)

Using a modification of the procedure by Lalic and Armstrong, 10 a Schlenk flask containing NaO¹Bu (0.384 g, 4.00 mmol, 2.0 equiv), IPrCuCl (0.195 g, 0.400 mmol, 0.20 equiv), was backfilled with nitrogen three times. HBpin (0.767 g, 6.00 mmol, 3.0 equiv), anhydrous toluene (40 mL, 0.05 M) and 6-chloro-1-hexyne (0.233 g, 2.00 mmol, 1.0 equiv) were added, and the mixture was stirred at 45 °C until the yellow colour disappeared (~5 mins). Pd2dba3 (22.9 mg, 0.025 mmol, 0.0125 equiv), XPhos (47.2 mg, 0.1 mmol, 0.025 equiv) and bromobenzene (0.628 g, 4.00 mmol, 2.0 equiv) were added, and the mixture was vigorously stirred at 45 °C for 18 h. The mixture was cooled to room temperature, diluted with Et2O (20 mL), and washed with 1 M HCl (20 mL) and brine (20 mL). The organic phase was dried (Na2SO4), filtered through a pad a silica gel eluting with Et2O, and concentrated *in vacuo*. Flash chromatography (100% hexane \rightarrow 100% CH2Cl2) of the crude material gave *boronic ester* 22o (0.215 g, 33%) as a colourless oil.

IR 2978, 2932, 1371, 1321, 1142 cm⁻¹.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.28-7.17 (4H, m, ArH), 7.15-7.10 (1H, m, ArH), 3.49 (2H, t, J = 6.8 Hz, CH₂Cl), 2.29 (1H, t, J = 7.9 Hz, CH), 1.90-1.80 (1H, m, CH_AH_B), 1.78-1.69 (2H, m, CH₂CH₂Cl), 1.69-1.60 (1H, m, CH_AH_B), 1.48-1.38 (2H, m, CH₂), 1.33-1.28 (2H, m, CH₂), 1.21 (6H, s, 2 × CCH₃), 1.18 (6H, s, 2 × CCH₃).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 143.2 (C), 128.3 (2 × CH), 128.3 (2 × CH), 125.2 (CH), 83.3 (2 × OC), 45.1 (CH₂), 32.5 (CH₂), 32.3 (CH₂), 28.4 (CH₂), 26.8 (CH₂), 24.6 (2 × CH₃), 24.6 (2 × CH₃).

¹¹B NMR (128 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 33.4.

HRMS (QTOF) Exact mass calcd for $[C_{18}H_{28}^{11}B^{35}ClO_2]^+$ [M+H]⁺: 323.1994, found: 323.1959.

(\pm) -5-[3-Methoxy-1-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)propyl]-1-methylindole (22p)

i) sBuLi (1.5 equiv) TMEDA (1.5 equiv) Et₂O,
$$-78$$
 °C, 5 h

ii) B(pin)

-78 °C

iii) MgBr₂

-78 °C \rightarrow 35 °C

iv) toluene, 75 °C

Using a modification of the procedure by Aggarwal and co-workers, 11 a Schlenck flask containing carbamate $S2^{12}$ (3.14 g, 14.6 mmol) was backfilled with nitrogen three times. TMEDA (2.18 mL, 14.6 mmol) and anhydrous Et_2O (40 mL) were added, and the mixture was cooled to -78 °C. s-BuLi (1.3 M in cyclohexane, 10.4 mL, 14.6 mmol) was added dropwise and the mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 5 h. A solution of 1-methylindole-5-boronic acid pinacol ester (2.49 g, 9.68 mmol) in Et_2O (10 mL) was added dropwise and the mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 1 h. A solution of MgBr₂ in Et_2O^1 (2.67 g, 14.6 mmol, 1 M) was added dropwise and the mixture was stirred at 34 °C for 18 h. Toluene (30 mL) was added and mixture heated to 75 °C for 18 h. H_2O (60 mL) was added, and the mixture extracted with Et_2O (3 × 60 mL). The combined organic layers were dried (MgSO₄), filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude material was purified by column chromatography (5% EtOAc/45% hexane/50% CH_2Cl_2) to give *boronic ester* **22p** (0.633 g, 20%) as an off white solid. **m.p.** = 91-93 °C (CH_2Cl_2), no literature data available.

IR 2926, 2890, 1668, 1607, 1447, 1336, 1111 cm⁻¹.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.45 (1H, s, Ar**H**), 7.22 (1H, d, J = 8.4 Hz, Ar**H**), 7.12 (1H, d, J = 8.4 Hz, Ar**H**), 7.00 (1H, d, J = 3.1 Hz, Ar**H**), 6.41 (1H, d, J = 3.1 Hz, Ar**H**), 3.76 (3H, s, OC**H**₃), 3.40-3.32 (2H, m, OC**H**₂), 3.31 (3H, s, NC**H**₃), 2.50 (1H, t, J = 8.6 Hz, C**H**), 2.23-2.17 (1H, m, CHC**H**_AH_B), 1.98-1.89 (1H, m, CHCH_AH_B), 1.21 (6H, s, 2 × CCH₃), 1.19 (6 H, s, 2 × CCH₃).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 135.2 (C), 133.4 (C), 128.7 (C), 128.5 (CH), 122.7 (CH), 120.0 (CH), 108.9 (CH), 100.4 (CH), 83.1 (2 × C), 72.2 (CH₂), 58.4 (CH₃), 33.0 (CH₂), 32.8 (CH₃), 24.6 (2 × CH₃), 24.6 (2 × CH₃).

¹¹**B NMR** (128 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 33.7.

HRMS (QTOF) Exact mass calcd for $[C_{19}H_{28}^{11}BNNaO_3]+[M+Na]+: 352.2054$. Found: 352.2066.

 $^{^{1}}$ Freshly prepared before use, by the following procedure: A flask was charged with Mg turnings (1.1 equiv.) and purged with N₂. Et₂O (3 mL) followed by 1,2-dibromoethane (1 equiv.) were added, and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 h.

2-(3-Azidopropyl)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (22t)

NaN₃ (0.488 g, 7.51 mmol) was added to a solution of 2-(3-bromopropyl)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (1.25 g, 5.00 mmol) in DMF (3.30 ml) and the mixture was stirred at 60 °C for 24 h. H_2O (50 mL) was added, and the mixture extracted with Et_2O (3 × 50 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine (100 ml), dried (MgSO₄), filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo to* give the azide **22t** as a colourless oil (1.05 g, 99%). The data were consistent with the literature.¹³

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.24 (2H, t, J = 7.0 Hz, CH₂N₃), 1.71 (2H, tt, J = 7.7, 7.0 Hz, N₃CH₂CH₂), 1.24 (12H, s, 3 × CH₃), 0.83 (2H, t, J = 7.7 Hz, CH₂B).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 83.2 (2 × C), 53.4 (CH₂), 24.8 (4 × CH₃), 23.5 (CH₂).

¹¹**B NMR** (128 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 33.8.

4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-2-[3-(phenylsulfanyl)propyl]-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (22u)

Thiophenol (0.61 ml, 5.98 mmol) was added to a stirring solution of 2-(3-bromopropyl)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (1.25 g, 5.01 mmol) and K_2CO_3 (1.38 g, 10.0 mmol) in MeCN (10.0 ml) and stirred at r.t. for 22 h. H_2O (50 mL) was added, and the mixture extracted with Et_2O (3 × 50 mL). The combined organic layers were dried (MgSO₄), filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*. Flash column chromatography (99% hexane/1% Et_3N to 89% hexane/10% $Et_2O/1\%$ Et_3N) of the crude material gave thioether **22u** (1.21 g, 87%) as a yellow oil. The data were consistent with the literature.¹⁴

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.39-7.30 (2H, m, Ar**H**), 7.29-7.22 (2H, m, Ar**H**), 7.18-7.09 (1H, m, Ar**H**), 2.93 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, C**H**₂S), 1.78 (2H, tt, J = 7.7, 7.5 Hz, CC**H**₂C), 1.24 (12H, s, 3 × C**H**₃), 0.92 (2H, t, J = 7.7 Hz, C**H**₂B).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 137.1 (C), 128.7 (2 × CH), 128.5 (2 × CH), 125.4 (CH), 83.1 (2 × C), 35.5 (CH₂), 24.8 (4 × CH₃), 23.9 (CH₂).

¹¹**B NMR** (128 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 33.8.

2-[3-(3-Bromophenoxy)propyl]-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (22v)

3-Bromophenol (0.981 g, 5.67 mmol) was added to a stirring solution of 2-(3-bromopropyl)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (0.90 ml, 4.3 mmol) and K_2CO_3 (1.63 g, 11.8 mmol) in MeCN (10 ml) and stirred at 65 °C for 22 h. The mixture was cooled to room temperature, and saturated aqueous K_2CO_3 (15 mL) and H_2O (10 mL) were added. The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (3 × 50 mL), and the combined organic layers were dried (MgSO₄), filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*. Flash column chromatography (100% hexane/0% $Et_2O \rightarrow 100\%$ Et_2O) of the crude material gave *ether* 22v (0.507 g, 55%) as a colourless oil.

IR 2977, 2933, 1589, 1468, 1371, 1143, 845 cm⁻¹.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.15-7.07 (1H, m, Ar**H**), 7.08-7.01 (2H, m, Ar**H**), 6.82 (1H, ddd, J = 8.2, 2.3, 1.2 Hz, Ar**H**), 3.92 (2H, t, J = 6.7 Hz, OCH₂), 1.88 (2H, tt, J = 7.8, 6.7 Hz, OCH₂CH₂), 1.25 (12H, s, 4 × CH₃), 0.91 (2H, t, J = 7.8 Hz, BCH₂).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 160.0 (C), 130.4 (CH), 123.5 (CH), 122.7 (C), 117.7 (CH), 113.7 (CH), 83.2 (2 × C), 69.8 (CH₂), 24.8 (4 × CH₃), 23.6 (CH₂).

¹¹**B NMR** (128 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 33.5.

HRMS (QTOF) Exact mass calcd for $[C_{15}H_{22}^{11}B^{79}BrNaO_3]+[M+Na]+: 363.0743$ found 363.0738.

Propan-2-yl 4-[3-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)propoxy]benzoate (22x)

Isopropyl 4-hydroxybenzoate (1.02 g, 5.67 mmol) was added to a stirring solution of 2-(3-bromopropyl)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (1.0 ml, 4.7 mmol) and K_2CO_3 (1.63 g, 11.8 mmol) in MeCN (10 ml) and stirred at 65 °C for 20 h. The mixture was cooled to room temperature, and H_2O (10 mL) was added. The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (3 × 20 mL), and the combined organic layers were dried (MgSO₄), filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*. Flash column chromatography (100% hexane \rightarrow 10% EtOAc/90% hexane) of the crude material gave *ether* 22x (0.510 g, 31%) as a colourless oil.

IR 2978, 2938, 1708, 1606, 1372, 1250, 1099, 771 cm⁻¹.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.99-7.94 (2H, m, Ar**H**), 6.92-6.87 (1H, m, Ar**H**), 5.22 (1H, hept, J = 6.2 Hz, C**H**), 3.99 (2H, t, J = 6.7 Hz, OC**H**₂), 1.95-1.86 (2H, m, OCH₂C**H**₂), 1.35 (6H, d, J = 6.3 Hz, 2 × CHC**H**₃), 1.25 (12H, s, 4 × CC**H**₃), 0.92 (2H, t, J = 7.8 Hz, BC**H**₂).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.0 (C), 162.8 (C), 131.4 (2 ×CH), 123.0 (C), 114.0 (2 × CH), 83.2 (2 × C), 69.7 (CH₂), 67.8 (CH), 24.8 (4 × CH₃), 23.6 (CH₂), 22.0 (2 × CH₃).

¹¹**B NMR** (128 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 34.4.

HRMS (QTOF) Exact mass calcd for $[C_{19}H_{29}^{11}BO_5]+[M]+: 348.2217$. Found: 348.2228.

3. Cu-catalysed Amination of Alkylboronic Esters

3.1. General Procedures

General Procedure 1 (GP1): Preparative scale Cu-catalysed amination of alkylboronic esters

Isopropyl alcohol (0.38 mL) and toluene (0.38 mL) were added to a flask containing the corresponding boronic ester (0.50 mmol, 1 equiv.), amine (1.75 mmol, 3.5 equiv.) and CuBr₂ (0.05 mmol, 10 mol%), and the mixture was stirred under air at 80 °C until the reaction was complete (as determined by TLC). The mixture was cooled to room temperature, passed through a plug of silica eluting with Et₂O, and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude material was purified by column chromatography.

A video guide to help readers see how we set up our reaction, including some tips for problem solving, can be found here: https://digitalmedia.sheffield.ac.uk/id/1 isl6hrng.

General Procedure 2 (GP2): Preparative scale Cu-catalysed amination of alkylboronic esters with reductive workup.

Isopropyl alcohol (0.38 mL) and toluene (0.38 mL) were added to a flask containing the corresponding boronic ester (0.50 mmol, 1 equiv.), amine (1.75 mmol, 3.5 equiv.) and $CuBr_2$ (0.05 mmol, 10 mol%), and the mixture was stirred under air at 80 °C until the reaction was complete (as determined by TLC). The mixture was cooled to room temperature, passed through a plug of silica eluting with Et_2O , and concentrated *in vacuo*. EtOH (1 mL) and $NaBH_4$ (0.025 g, 0.65 mmol) were added, and the mixture stirred at RT for 2 h. The mixture was diluted with EtOAc (10 mL) and H_2O (10 mL) and extracted with EtOAc (3 × 10 mL). The combined organic phases were dried (MgSO₄), filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude material was purified by column chromatography.

3.2. Optimisation of Reaction Conditions

Reactions conducted as part of the optimisation process were typically conducted on 0.5 mmol scale with respect to boronic ester 1. It was found that smaller scale reactions (e.g. 0.05 mmol scale) did work but showed lower reproducibility, presumably due to inefficient gas transfer from air to solution limiting catalyst turnover which can be harder to control on smaller scale.

	Cu Source	Cu mol%	L (mol%)	Amine equiv	solvent	T (°C)	Time	Conc.	Yield			
Entry									1	2	3	4
1 ^b	Cu(OAc) ₂	200	-	4	toluene/pyr	80	16 h	0.1 M	53%	0%	2%	-
2 b	CuBr ₂	200	-	4	toluene/pyr	80	16 h	0.1 M	51%	46%	-	-
3 b	CuBr	200	-	4	toluene/pyr	80	16 h	0.1 M	36%	51%	0%	-
4 ^b	CuCl	200	-	4	toluene/pyr	80	16 h	0.1 M	43%	5%	3%	-
5 ^b	Cul	200	-	4	toluene/pyr	80	16 h	0.1 M	84%	0%	0%	-
6 b	CuCl ₂	200	-	4	toluene/pyr	80	16 h	0.1 M	42%	22%	2%	-
7 ^b	CuBr ₂	200	-	4	toluene/pyr	50	16 h	0.1 M	50%	25%	-	-
8 b	CuBr ₂	200	-	4	toluene/pyr	50	64 h	0.1 M	-	63%	-	-
9 b,c	CuBr ₂	200	-	4	toluene/pyr	80	16 h	0.1 M	51%	26%	0%	-
10 b,d	CuBr ₂	200	-	4	toluene/pyr	80	16 h	0.1 M	32%	30%	0%	1
11 b,e	CuBr ₂	200	-	4	toluene/pyr	80	16 h	0.1 M	0%	35%	0%	1
12 b	CuBr ₂	100	-	4	toluene/pyr	80	16 h	0.16 M	33%	68%	-	-
13 ^b	CuBr ₂	50	-	4	toluene/pyr	80	16 h	0.16 M	45%	34%	-	-
14 ^b	CuBr ₂	100	-	40	-	80	16 h	0.025 M	<5%	>95%	<5%	-
15 b	CuBr ₂	50	L1 (100)	4	toluene/pyr	80	16 h	0.16 M	52%	49%		
16 b	CuBr ₂	50	L4 (100)	4	toluene/pyr	80	16 h	0.16 M	63%	22%	-	-
17 ^b	CuBr ₂	50	L5 (100)	4	toluene/pyr	80	16 h	0.16 M	65%	32%	-	-
18 b	CuBr ₂	50	L6 (100)	4	toluene/pyr	80	16 h	0.16 M	67%	23%	-	-
19 b	CuBr ₂	25	L1 (25)	4	toluene	80	16 h	0.16 M	91%	7%	0%	-
20	CuBr ₂	25	L2 (25)	40	-	40	18 h	0.025 M	<5%	95%	-	-
21	CuBr ₂	25	L7 (25)	40	-	40	18 h	0.025 M	<5%	84%	-	1
22	CuBr ₂	25	L3 (25)	40	-	40	18 h	0.025 M	<5%	67%	-	-
23 ^f	CuBr ₂	50	L1 (25)	4	toluene	80	16 h	0.16 M	<5%	30%	34%	-
24 ^g	CuBr ₂	50	L1 (25)	4	toluene	80	16 h	0.16 M	<5%	54%	13%	-
25 ^h	CuBr ₂	50	L1 (25)	4	toluene	80	16 h	0.16 M	<5%	40%	11%	ı
26	CuBr ₂	50	-	4	toluene	80	16 h	0.16 M	<5%	45%	13%	-
27	CuBr ₂	25	-	4	toluene	80	16 h	0.16 M	<5%	25%	9%	1
28	CuBr ₂	25	L1 (25)	4	toluene	60	18 h	0.3 M	<5%	81%	9%	10%
29	CuBr ₂	25	L1 (25)	4	IPA	60	18 h	0.3 M	<5%	95%	<5%	3%
30	CuBr ₂	25	L1 (25)	4	dioxane	60	18 h	0.3 M	<5%	88%	10%	2%
31	CuBr ₂	25	L1 (25)	4	PrOAc	60	18 h	0.3 M	<5%	91%	6%	3%
32	CuBr ₂	25	L1 (25)	4	tol/IPA (1:1)	60	18 h	0.3 M	<5%	95%	<5%	2%
33	CuBr ₂	25	L1 (25)	4	tol/IPA (3:1)	60	18 h	0.3 M	<5%	95%	<5%	3%
34	CuBr ₂	25	L1 (25)	4	tol/IPA (1:1)	80	18 h	0.3 M	28%	57%	-	_
35	CuBr ₂	25	L1 (25)	4	tol/IPA (3:1)	80	18 h	0.6 M	<5%	95%	-	-
36	CuBr ₂	25	L1 (25)	4	tol/IPA (3:1)	80	18 h	0.6 M	<5%	95%	-	-
37	CuBr ₂	15	L1 (15)	4	tol/IPA (1:1)	80	18 h	0.6 M	<5%	80%	<5%	-

Entry	Cu	Cu	L	Amine	solvent	T (°C)	Time	Conc.	Yield			
Entry	Source	mol%	(mol%)	equiv					1	2	3	4
38	CuBr ₂	15	L1 (15)	4	tol/IPA (3:1)	80	18 h	0.6 M	<5%	94%	6%	-
39	CuBr ₂	15	L1 (15)	3	tol/IPA (1:1)	80	18 h	0.6 M	<5%	84%	9%	-
40	CuBr ₂	15	L1 (15)	3.5	tol/IPA (1:1)	80	18 h	0.6 M	<5%	93%	5%	-
41	CuBr ₂	15	L1 (15)	2	tol/IPA (1:1)	80	18 h	0.6 M	<5%	77%	7%	-
42	CuBr ₂	10	L1 (10)	4	tol/IPA (1:1)	80	18 h	0.6 M	<5%	95%	3%	-
43	CuBr ₂	10	L1 (10)	4	tol/IPA (3:1)	80	18 h	0.6 M	<5%	81%	19%	-
44	CuBr ₂	10	L1 (10)	3	tol/IPA (1:1)	80	18 h	0.6 M	<5%	79%	6%	-
45	CuBr ₂	10	-	3.5	tol/IPA (1:1)	80	18 h	0.6 M	<5%	95%	0%	-
46	CuBr ₂	5	-	3.5	tol/IPA (1:1)	80	18 h	0.6 M	<5%	78%	7%	-
47	CuBr ₂	10	-	3.5	MeCN	80	18 h	0.6 M	<5%	78%	8%	5%
48	CuBr ₂	10	-	3.5	MeCN/IPA (1:1)	80	18 h	0.6 M	<5%	77%	7%	6%
49	CuBr ₂	10	-	3.5	tol/IPA (1:1)	80	4h	0.6 M	44%	55%	-	-
50	CuBr ₂	10	-	3.5	tol/IPA (1:1)	RT	18 h	0.6 M	51%	13%	6%	30%
51	-	0	-	3.5	tol/IPA (1:1)	80	18 h	0.6 M	<5%	<5%	4%	58%
52 b	CuBr ₂	10	-	3.5	tol/IPA (1:1)	80	18 h	0.6 M	93%	3%	0%	0%
53	S2	100	-	4	toluene	80	16 h	0.16 M	n.d.	0%	-	-
54 ⁱ	CuBr ₂	10	-	1	tol/IPA (1:1)	80	18 h	0.6 M	20% ^j	46%	35% ^j	12% ^j

a) Reactions performed using 0.5 mmol of boronic ester 1 unless otherwise stated. Yields determined by ^{1}H NMR analysis using 1,3,5-trimethoxybenzene as an internal standard; b) reaction carried out under an inert atmosphere (either N_{2} or Ar); c) using CsF (2 equiv); d) using $Na_{2}CO_{3}$ (2 equiv); e) using KOtBu (2 equiv); f) using $Cs_{2}CO_{3}$ (0.5 equiv); g) using $Na_{2}CO_{3}$ (0.5 equiv); h) using KOtBu (0.5 equiv); i) reaction using morpholine as the limiting reagent and 3.5 equivalents of boronic ester 1; j) yield based on boronic ester 1; pyr = pyridine; tol = toluene; n.d. = not determined

3.3. Scope of Reaction Using Cyclic Amines

(±)-N-(1-Phenylethyl)morpholine (2)

Isopropyl alcohol (2.75 mL) and toluene (2.75 mL) were added to a flask containing boronic ester **1** (1.00 g, 4.31 mmol), morpholine (1.31 g, 15.1 mmol) and CuBr₂ (96.3 mg, 0.43 mmol), and the mixture was stirred under air at 80 °C for 18 h. The mixture was cooled to room temperature, passed through a plug of silica eluting with Et₂O and EtOAc, and concentrated in vacuo. Flash column chromatography (69% hexane/30% EtOAc/1% Et₃N) of the crude material gave amine **2** (720 mg, 87%) as a colourless oil. The data were consistent with the literature.¹⁵

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.31-7.23 (4 H, m, Ar**H**), 7.22-7.16 (1H, m, Ar**H**), 3.68-3.58 (4H, m, 2 × OC**H**₂), 3.24 (1H, q, J = 6.6 Hz, C**H**), 2.49-2.38 (2H, m, NC**H**₂), 2.36-2.27 (2H, m, NC**H**₂), 1.30 (3H, d, J = 6.6 Hz, C**H**₃).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 143.9 (C), 128.3 (2 × CH), 127.6 (2 × CH), 127.0 (CH), 67.2 (2 × CH₂), 65.4 (CH), 51.3 (2 × CH₂), 19.8 (CH₃).

(±)-N-(1-Phenylethyl)pyrrolidine (5a)

The title compound was prepared according to **GP1** using boronic ester **1** (0.118 g, 0.508 mmol) and pyrrolidine (124.8 mg, 1.75 mmol), heating for 18 h. Flash column chromatography (99% EtOAc/1% Et₃N) of the crude material gave amine **5a** (60.6 mg, 68%) as a colourless oil. The data were consistent with the literature. ¹⁶

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.37-7.27 (4H, m, Ar**H**), 7.25-7.19 (1H, m, Ar**H**) 3.18 (1H, q, J = 6.6 Hz, C**H**), 2.61-2.50 (2H, m, NCH₂), 2.42-2.32 (2H, m, NCH₂), 1.82-1.70 (4H, m, 2 × C**H**₂), 1.41 (3H, d, J = 6.6 Hz, C**H**₃).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 145.6 (C), 128.2 (2 × CH), 127.2 (2 × CH), 126.8 (CH), 66.0 (CH), 53.0 (2 × CH₂), 23.4 (2 × CH₂), 23.1 (CH₃).

(±)-N-(1-Phenylethyl)piperidine (5b)

The title compound was prepared according to **GP1** using boronic ester **1** (0.117 g, 0.504 mmol) and piperidine (0.150 g, 1.76 mmol), heating for 18 h. Flash column chromatography (69% hexane/30% EtOAc/1% Et₃N) of the crude material gave amine **5b** (73.8 mg, 77%) as a colourless oil. The data were consistent with the literature.¹⁷

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.32-7.27 (4H, m, Ar**H**), 7.27-7.18 (1H, m, Ar**H**), 3.38 (1H, q, J = 6.7 Hz, C**H**), 2.45-2.37 (4H, m, 2 × NCH₂), 1.55-1.50 (4H, m, 2 × NCH₂C**H**₂), 1.39-1.34 (5H, m, C**H**₃ and NCH₂CH₂C**H**₂).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 143.7 (C), 128.0 (2 × CH), 127.8 (2 × CH), 126.7 (CH), 65.2 (CH), 51.5 (2 × CH₂), 26.2 (2 × CH₂), 24.5 (CH₂), 19.4 (CH₃).

(\pm) -1-(1-Phenylethyl)azepane (5c)

The title compound was prepared according to **GP1** using boronic ester **1** (0.118 g, 0.508 mmol) and 1-acetylpiperazine (0.202 µL, 1.79 mmol), heating for 18 h. The crude was concentrated under vacuo, dissolved in 5 mL EtOAc and extracted with aqueous HCl (1 M, 3 × 3 mL). The aqueous phases were combined and basified to pH > 10 with a solution of sat Na₂CO₃ and extracted with EtOAc (3 × 10 mL). The organic phase was dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated under vacuo. Flash column chromatography (100% CH₂Cl₂ to 50% CH₂Cl₂/50% EtOAc /1% Et₃N) of the crude material gave amine **5c** (62.9 mg, 61%) as a yellow oil. The data were consistent with the literature. ¹⁸

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.41-7.36 (2H, m, Ar**H**), 7.35-7.29 (2H, m, Ar**H**), 7.26-7.21 (1H, m, Ar**H**), 3.79 (1H, q, J = 6.7 Hz, C**H**), 2.66 (4H, br s, 2 × C**H**₂N), 1.60 (8H, br s, 2 × NCH₂C**H**₂C**H**₂), 1.38 (3H, d, J = 6.7 Hz, C**H**₃).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 144.8 (C), 127.9 (2 × CH), 127.6 (2 × CH), 126.5 (CH), 63.2 (CH), 52.0 (2 × CH₂), 28.9 (2 × CH₂), 27.0 (2 × CH₂), 18.2 (CH₃).

(\pm) -4,4-Difluoro-1-(1-phenylethyl)piperidine (5d)

The title compound was prepared according to **GP1** using boronic ester **1** (0.116 g, 0.500 mmol) and (0.214 g, 1.77 mmol), heating for 18 h. Flash column chromatography (100% CH₂Cl₂ to 5% Et₂O/95% CH₂Cl₂) of the crude material gave *amine* **5d** (61.5 mg, 55%) as a pale-yellow oil.

IR 2973, 2813, 1453, 1363, 1098, 927 cm⁻¹.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.35-7.29 (4H, m, Ar**H**), 7.29-7.22 (1H, m, Ar**H**), 3.52 (1H, q, J = 6.7 Hz, C**H**), 2.59 (dt, J = 11.6, 5.6 Hz, 2H, 2 × NCH_ACH_B), 2.51 (dt, J = 11.6, 5.6 Hz, 2H, 2 × NCH_ACH_B), 2.04-1.88 (4H, m, 2 × C**H**₂), 1.38 (3H, d, J = 6.7 Hz, CHC**H**₃).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 143.7 (C), 128.3 (2 × CH), 127.4 (2 × CH), 127.0 (CH), 122.2 (t, $J_{C-F} = 241.6 \text{ Hz}$, CF₂), 63.7 (CH), 47.0 (t, $J_{C-F} = 5.4 \text{ Hz}$, 2 × CH₂), 34.2 (t, $J_{C-F} = 22.7 \text{ Hz}$, 2 × CH₂), 19.3 (CH₃).

¹⁹**F NMR** (377 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -97.9.

HRMS (Q-TOF) Exact mass calcd for $[C_{13}H_{18}F_2N]^+$ [M+H]⁺: 226.1402, found: 226.1413.

OH (\pm) -1-(1-Phenylethyl)piperidin-4-ol (5e)

The title compound was prepared using a modification of **GP1** using boronic ester **1** (0.117 g, 0.504 mmol) and 4-hydroxypiperidine (0.181 g, 1.79 mmol), heating for 18 h. The mixture was cooled to room temperature and concentrated *in vacuo*. The mixture was dissolved in EtOAc (5 mL) and extracted with aqueous HCl (1 M, 3 × 5 mL). The combined aqueous phases were basified using aqueous NaOH (2 M, 3 × 5 mL) and extracted with EtOAc (3 × 10 mL). The combined organic phases were dried (MgSO₄), filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude material was purified by column chromatography (99% EtOAc/ 1% TEA) to give amine **5e** (61.5 mg, 60%) as an off-white solid. The data were consistent with the literature.¹⁹ **m.p.** = 100-102 °C (EtOAc), no literature data available.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.34-7.27 (4H, m, Ar**H**), 7.26-7.19 (1H, m, Ar**H**), 3.60 (1H, tt, J = 8.9, 4.2 Hz, C**H**OH), 3.43 (1H, q, J = 6.8 Hz, NC**H**), 2.91-2.80 (1H, m, NC**H**_AH_B), 2.75-2.66 (1H, m, NCH_AH_B), 2.24 (1H, br s, O**H**), 2.16-2.02 (2H, m, NC**H**₂), 1.93-1.78 (2H, m, OCHC**H**_AH_B), 1.64-1.46 (2H, m, OCHCH_AH_B), 1.37 (3H, d, J = 6.8 Hz, C**H**₃).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 143.6 (C), 128.1 (2 x CH), 127.6 (2 x CH), 126.8 (CH), 68.1 (CH), 64.4 (CH), 48.1 (CH₂), 48.1 (CH₂), 34.7 (CH₂), 34.6 (CH₂), 19.5 (CH₃).

(±)-1,2,3,4-Tetrahydro-2-(1-phenylethyl)isoquinoline (5f)

The title compound was prepared according to **GP2** using boronic ester **1** (0.118 g, 0.506 mmol) and 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline (0.238 g, 1.79 mmol), heating for 18 h. Flash column chromatography (79.5% hexane/20% EtOAc/0.5% Et₃N) of the crude material gave amine **5f** (78.1 mg, 65%) as a yellow oil. The data were consistent with the literature.¹⁵

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.41-7.38 (2H, m, Ar**H**), 7.36-7.32 (2H, m, Ar**H**), 7.29-7.25 (1H, m, Ar**H**), 7.14-7.08 (3H, m, Ar**H**), 7.02-6.99 (1H, m, Ar**H**), 3.83 (1H, d, J = 14.8 Hz, ArCH_ACH_BN), 3.62-3.54 (2H, m, C**H** and ArCH_ACH_BN), 2.96-2.77 (3H, m, C**H**₂ and CH_CCH_D), 2.67-2.60 (1H, m, CH_CCH_D), 1.49 (3H, d, J = 6.7 Hz, C**H**₃).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 144.3 (C), 135.2 (C), 134.6 (C), 128.6 (CH), 128.3 (2 × CH), 127.6 (2 × CH), 126.9 (CH), 126.8 (CH), 126.0 (CH), 125.5 (CH), 64.4 (CH), 53.6 (CH₂), 48.0 (CH₂), 29.3 (CH₂), 20.1 (CH₃).

(\pm) -4-(1-(8-Oxa-3-azabicyclo[3.2.1]oct-3-yl)ethyl)benzene (5g)

The title compound was prepared according to **GP1** using boronic ester **1** (0.116 g, 0.500 mmol) and 8-oxa-3-azabicyclo[3.2.1]octane (95% w/w, 0.208 mg, 1.75 mmol), heating for 18 h. Flash column chromatography (1: 100% CH₂Cl₂ to 70% hexane/30% EtOAc; 2: 80% hexane/20% Et₂O) of the crude material gave *amine* **5g** (38.3 mg, 35%) as a yellow oil.

IR 2950, 2800, 1451, 1142, 997, 878 cm⁻¹.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.36-7.27 (4H, m, ArH), 7.25-7.17 (1H, m, ArH), 4.35-4.29 (1H, m, OCH), 4.20-4.14 (1H, m, OCH), 3.29 (1H, q, J = 6.7 Hz, CHCH₃), 2.75 (1H, dt, J = 10.8, 1.8 Hz, NCH_AH_B), 2.40-2.31 (2H, m, NCH_CH_D , NCH_AH_B), 2.19 (dd, J = 11.2, 1.5 Hz, 1H, NCH_CH_D), 2.09-1.98 (1H, m, $CH_AH_BCH_2$), 1.94-1.73 (3H, m, $CH_AH_BCH_2$), 1.27 (3H, d, J = 6.7 Hz, CH_3).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 145.1 (C), 128.2 (2 × CH), 127.3 (2 × CH), 126.8 (CH), 74.9 (2 × CH), 64.3 (CH), 57.0 (CH₂), 55.2 (CH₂), 28.6 (CH₂), 28.5 (CH₂), 20.0 (CH₃).

HRMS (QTOF) Exact mass calcd for $[C_{14}H_{20}NO]^+$ $[M+H]^+$: 218.1539, found: 218.1539.

(±)-1-Piperazinecarboxylic acid, 4-(1-phenylethyl)-, 1,1-dimethylethyl ester (5h)

The title compound was prepared according to **GP1** using boronic ester **1** (0.116 g, 0.502 mmol) and N-Bocpiperizine (0.326 g, 1.75 mmol), heating for 18 h. Flash column chromatography (69% hexane/30% EtOAc/1% Et₃N) of the crude material gave amine **5h** (0.112 g, 77%) as a colourless oil. The data were consistent with the

literature. 15

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.35-7.29 (4H, m, Ar**H**), 7.28-7.23 (1H, m, Ar**H**), 3.45-3.35 (5H, m, $2 \times CH_2$ and CH), 2.50-2.40 (2H, m, CH₂), 2.38-2.30 (2H, m, CH₂), 1.45 (9H, s, $3 \times CCH_3$), 1.38 $(3H, d, J = 6.7 Hz, CHCH_3).$

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 154.7 (C), 143.6 (C), 128.2 (2 × CH), 127.6 (2 × CH), 126.9 (CH), 79.4 (C), 64.7 (CH), 50.2 ($4 \times \text{CH}_2$), 28.4 ($3 \times \text{CH}_3$), 19.6 (CH₃).

(±)-1-[(4-Methylphenyl)sulfonyl]-4-(1-phenylethyl)piperazine (5i)

The title compound was prepared according to **GP1** using boronic ester **1** (0.116 g, 0.500 mmol) and N-tosylpiperizine (0.420 g, 1.75 mmol), heating for 18 h. Flash column chromatography (99% hexane/1% Et₃N \rightarrow 99% Et₂O /1% Et₃N) of the crude material gave amine 5i (84.6 mg, 49%) as a white solid. The data were consistent with the literature.²⁰

m.p. 148-149 °C (XX). No literature value available.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.66-7.59 (2H, m, Ar**H**), 7.35-7.18 (7H, m, Ar**H**), 3.36 (1H, q, J =6.6 Hz, CH), 3.03-2.92 (4H, m, $4 \times \text{CH}_2$), 2.62-2.52 (2H, m, CH₂), 2.50-2.40 (5H, m, CH₂ and ArCH₃), 1.32 (3H, d, J = 6.6 Hz, CHCH₃).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 143.6 (C), 143.3 (C), 132.4 (C), 129.6 (2 × CH), 128.3 (2 × CH), $127.9 (2 \times CH)$, $127.5 (2 \times CH)$, 127.1 (CH), 64.4 (CH), $49.5 (2 \times CH_2)$, $46.3 (2 \times CH_2)$, $21.5 (CH_3)$, 19.5 (CH₃).

3.4. Scope of Reaction Using Acyclic Secondary Amines

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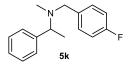
(±)-N-α-Dimethyl-N-(phenylmethyl)benzenemethanamine (5j)

The title compound was prepared according to **GP1** using boronic ester **1** (0.116 g, 0.503 mmol) and *N*-methylbenzylamine (0.214 g, 1.77 mmol), heating for 18 h.

Flash column chromatography (94% hexane/5% EtOAc/1% Et₃N) of the crude material gave amine **5j** (71.2 mg, 63%) as a colourless oil. The data were consistent with the literature.²¹

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.44-7.41 (2H, m, Ar**H**), 7.37-7.31 (6H, m, Ar**H**), 7.28-7.22 (2H, m, Ar**H**), 3.66 (1H, q, J = 6.8 Hz, C**H**), 3.60 (1H, d, J = 13.3 Hz, C**H**_AH_B), 3.32 (1H, d, J = 13.3 Hz, CH_AH_B), 2.15 (3H, s, NC**H**₃), 1.44 (3H, d, J = 6.8 Hz, CHC**H**₃).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 144.2 (C), 140.1 (C), 128.7 (2 × CH), 128.2 (2 × CH), 128.1 (2 × CH), 127.7 (2 × CH), 126.8 (CH), 126.7 (CH), 63.2 (CH), 58.9 (CH₂), 38.3 (CH₃), 18.4 (CH₃).



(±)-[(4-Fluorophenyl)methyl](methyl)(1-phenylethyl)amine (5k)

The title compound was prepared according to **GP1** using boronic ester **1** (0.116 g, 0.503 mmol) and N-methyl-4-fluorobenzylamine (0.245 g, 1.76 mmol), heating

for 18 h. Flash column chromatography (94% hexane/5% EtOAc/1% Et₃N) of the crude material gave *amine* **5k** (64.4 mg, 53%) as a colourless oil.

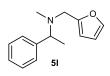
IR 2981, 2790, 1604, 1506, 1453, 1125 cm⁻¹.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.44-7.34 (4H, m, Ar**H**), 7.31-7.24 (3H, m, Ar**H**), 7.04-7.96 (2H, m, Ar**H**), 3.65 (1H, q, J = 6.7 Hz, C**H**), 3.55 (1H, d, J = 13.3 Hz, C**H**_AH_B), 3.28 (2H, d, J = 13.3 Hz, CH_AH_B), 2.14 (3H, s, NC**H**₃), 1.44 (3H, d, J = 6.7 Hz, CHC**H**₃).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.9 (C, d, J_F = 245.5 Hz), 144.1 (C), 135.7 (C), 130.1 (2 × CH, d, J_F = 8.4 Hz), 128.2 (2 × CH), 127.6 (2 × CH), 126.8 (CH), 114.9 (2 × CH, d, J_F = 20.5 Hz), 63.2 (CH), 58.1 (CH₂), 38.2 (CH₃), 18.4 (CH₃).

¹⁹**F NMR** (377 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -116.5.

HRMS (Q-TOF) Exact mass calcd for $[C_{16}H_{18}FN]^+$ $[M+H]^+$: 244.1496, found: 244.1508.



(±)-N-Methyl-N-(furan-2-ylmethyl)-1-phenylethanamine (5l)

The title compound was prepared according to **GP1** using boronic ester **1** (0.117 g, 0.504 mmol) and *N*-methylfurfurylamine (0.196 g, 1.76 mmol), heating for 18 h.

Flash column chromatography (94% hexane/5% EtOAc/1% Et₃N) of the crude material gave amine **5l** (69.6 mg, 64%) as a colourless oil. The data were consistent with the literature.²²

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.41-7.32 (5H, m, Ar**H**), 7.29-7.24 (1H, m, Ar**H**), 6.33 (1H, dd, J = 3.1, 1.9 Hz, Ar**H**), 6.17 (1H, d, J = 3.1 Hz, Ar**H**), 3.67 (d, J = 14.4 Hz, C**H**_ACH_B), 3.58 (1H, q, J = 3.1 Hz, Ar**H**), 6.17 (1H, d, J = 3.1 Hz, Ar**H**), 6.17 (1H, d, J = 3.1 Hz, Ar**H**), 3.67 (d, J = 14.4 Hz, C**H**_ACH_B), 3.58 (1H, q, J = 3.1 Hz, Ar**H**), 6.17 (1H, d, J = 3.1 Hz, Ar**H**), 6.17 (1H, d, J = 3.1 Hz, Ar**H**), 3.67 (d, J = 14.4 Hz, C**H**_ACH_B), 3.58 (1H, q, J = 3.1 Hz, Ar**H**), 6.17 (1H, d, J = 3.1 Hz, Ar**H**), 6.18 (1H, d, J =

6.7 Hz, CH), 3.44 (1H, d, J = 14.4 Hz, CH_ACH_B), 2.23 (3H, s, NCH₃), 1.44 (3H, t, J = 6.7 Hz, CHCH₃).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 152.9 (C), 143.8 (C), 141.9 (CH), 128.2 (2 × CH), 127.7 (2 × CH), 126.9 (CH), 109.9 (CH), 108.3 (CH), 62.7 (CH), 51.0 (CH₂), 38.9 (CH₃), 19.6 (CH₃).

OMe (±)-N-(2,2-Dimethoxyethyl)-N,α-dimethylbenzenemethanamine (5m)

The title compound was prepared according to **GP1** using boronic ester **1** (0.118 g, 0.508 mmol) and 2,2-dimethoxy-*N*-methylethylamine (0.223 g, 1.78 mmol), heating for 18 h. Flash column chromatography (79% hexane / 20% EtOAc /1% Et₃N) of the crude material

IR: 2830, 1451, 1124, 1071 cm⁻¹.

gave amine 5m (86.0 mg, 76%) as a green oil.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.35-7.27 (4H, m, Ar**H**), 7.26-7.20 (1H, m, Ar**H**), 4.43 (1H, dd, J = 5.5, 5.1 Hz, C**H**O), 3.65 (1H, q, J = 6.8 Hz, CH₃C**H**), 3.30 (3H, s, OC**H**₃), 3.28 (3H, s, OC**H**₃), 2.60 (1H, dd, J = 13.4, 5.3 Hz, C**H**_ACH_B), 2.42 (1H, dd, J = 13.4, 5.3 Hz, CH_AC**H**_B), 2.28 (3H, s, NC**H**₃), 1.38 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H, CHC**H**₃).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 143.1 (C), 128.0 (2 × CH), 127.8 (2 × CH), 126.8 (CH), 103.3 (CH), 63.8 (CH), 55.3 (CH₂), 53.3 (CH₃), 53.0 (CH₃), 39.7 (CH₃), 17.7 (CH₃).

HRMS (QTOF) Exact mass calcd for $[C_{13}H_{22}NO_2]^+$ [M+H]⁺: 224.1645, found: 224.1654.

(±)-3-(Methyl-(1-phenylethyl)amine)propanenitrile (5n)

The title compound was prepared according to **GP1** using boronic ester **1** (0.116 g, 0.500 mmol) and *N*-(methylamino)propionitrile (0.143 g, 1.70 mmol), heating for 18 h. Flash column chromatography (60% hexane/40% Et₂O) of the crude material gave *amine* **5n** (65.5 mg, 70%) as a colorless oil.

IR 2974, 2799, 2238, 1251, 1371, 1070, 958 cm⁻¹.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.35-7.30 (4H, m, ArH), 7.27-7.24 (1H, m, ArH), 3.62 (1H, q, J = 6.7 Hz, NCH), 2.77 (1H, dt, J = 12.9, 7.2 Hz, NCH_AH_B), 2.62 (1H, dt, J = 12.9, 6.8 Hz, NCH_AH_B), 2.42 (2H, dd, J = 7.2, 6.8 Hz, CH₂CN), 2.26 (3H, s, NCH₃), 1.37 (3H, d, J = 6.7 Hz, CHCH₃).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 143.3 (C), 128.4 (2 × CH), 127.5 (2 × CH), 127.2 (CH), 118.9 (C), 63.3 (CH), 49.7 (CH₂), 38.4 (CH₃), 18.4 (CH₃), 16.5 (CH₂).

HRMS (Q-TOF) Exact mass calcd for $[C_{12}H_{17}N_2]^+$ [M+H]⁺: 189.1386, found: 189.1393.

3.5. Scope of Reaction Using Primary amines

Ph (±)-N-Phenethyl-1-phenethanamine (50)

The title compound was prepared according to **GP1** using boronic ester **1** (0.127 g, 0.547 mmol) and 2-phenylethylamine (240 μ L, 1.90 mmol), heating for 18 h. The crude was concentrated under vacuo, dissolved in 5 mL EtOAc and extracted with aqueous HCl (1 M, 3 × 3 mL). The aqueous phases were combined, basified to pH > 10 with a solution of saturated aqueous Na₂CO₃, and extracted with EtOAc (3 × 10 mL). The organic phase was dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated *in vacuo*. Flash column chromatography (75% hexane/25% EtOAc \rightarrow 100% EtOAc) of the crude material gave amine **50** (68.3 mg, 55%) as a yellow oil. The data were consistent with the literature.²³

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.38-7.16 (10H, m, Ar**H**), 3.81 (1H, q, J = 6.6 Hz, C**H**), 2.87-2.69 (4H, m, 2 × C**H**₂), 1.45 (1H, br s, N**H**), 1.37 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 3H, C**H**₃).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 145.5 (C), 140.0 (C), 128.6 (2 × CH), 128.3 (4 × CH), 126.8 (CH), 126.5 (2 × CH), 126.0 (CH), 58.1 (CH), 48.9 (CH₂), 36.4 (CH₂), 24.3 (CH₃).

(±)-[3-(Morpholin-4-yl)propyl](1-phenylethyl)amine (5p)

The title compound was prepared according to **GP1** using boronic ester **1** (0.117 g, 0.504 mmol) and 3-morpholinopropylamine (0.253 g, 1.78 mmol),

heating for 18 h. Flash column chromatography (97% CH₂Cl₂/2% MeOH/1% Et₃N) of the crude material gave *amine* **5p** (61.7 mg, 49%) as a yellow oil.

IR 2960, 2810, 1675, 1455, 1275, 1118 cm⁻¹.

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¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.36-7.30 (4H, m, Ar**H**), 7.27-7.22 (1H, m, Ar**H**), 3.77 (1H, q, J = 6.6 Hz, C**H**), 3.68 (4H, t, J = 4.7 Hz, 2 × OCH₂), 2.65-2.57 (1H, m, CHNC**H**_ACH_B), 2.54-2.32 (7H, m, CHNCH_AC**H**_B, C**H**₂N(CH₂)₂ and 2 × NC**H**₂CH₂O), 1.76-1.63 (2H, m, NCH₂C**H**₂CH₂), 1.39 (3H, d, J = 6.6 Hz, C**H**₃).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 145.1 (C), 128.4 (2 × CH), 127.0 (CH), 126.5 (2 × CH), 66.9 (2 × CH₂), 58.4 (CH), 57.5 (CH₂), 53.7 (2 × CH₂), 46.5 (CH₂), 26.3 (CH₂), 24.0 (CH₃).

HRMS (Q-TOF) Exact mass calcd for $[C_{15}H_{25}N_2O]^+$ [M+H]⁺: 249.1961, found: 249.1970

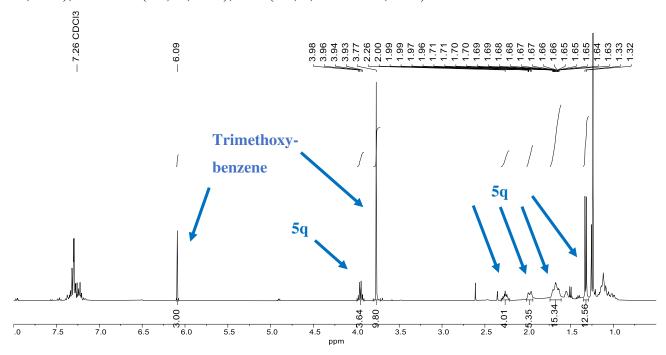
(\pm) -N-(1-phenylethyl)cyclohexanamine (5q)

The title compound was prepared using a modification of **GP1** using boronic ester **1** (0.117 g, 0.503 mmol) and cyclohexylamine (0.20 mL, 1.7 mmol), heating for 18 h. The mixture was filtered through a silica plug, eluting with Et₂O (10 mL). 1,3,5-Trimethoxybenzene (16.5 mg, 0.0981 mmol) was added to the filtrate, and the mixture was concentrated *in vacuo*. The

mixture was analysed by ¹H NMR, which indicated amine **5q** was formed in 63% yield (average of two reactions). The data matched the literature.²⁴

Characteristic peaks for 5q.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 3.95 (1H, q, J = 6.6 Hz, CH), 2.31-2.21 (1H, m, CH₂), 2.01-1.94 (1H, m, CH₂), 1.75-1.61 (3H, m, CH₂), 1.32 (3H, d, J = 6.6 Hz, CH₃).

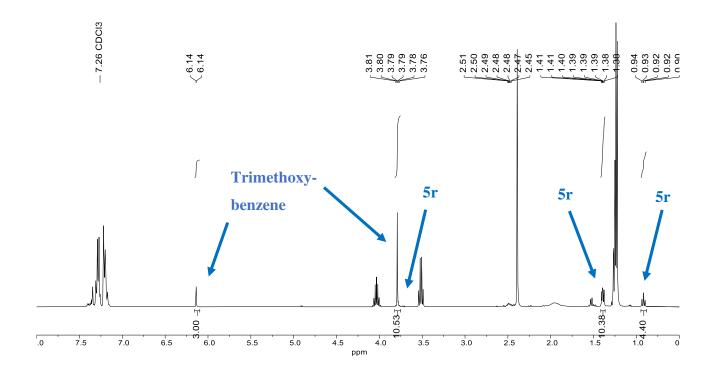


+N (±)-N-(1-phenylethyl)propan-1-amine (5r)

The title compound was prepared using a modification of **GP1** using boronic ester **1** (0.117 g, 0.502 mmol) and propylamine (0.15 mL, 1.8 mmol), heating for 18 h. The mixture was filtered through a silica plug, eluting with Et₂O (10 mL). 1,3,5-Trimethoxybenzene (20.4 mg, 0.121 mmol) was added to the filtrate, and the mixture was concentrated *in vacuo*. The mixture was analysed by ¹H NMR, which indicated amine **5r** was formed in 45% yield (average of two reactions). The data matched the literature.²⁵

Characteristic peaks for 5r.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.79 (1H, q, J = 6.5 Hz, CH), 1.41-1.37 (5H, m, CH₂CH₃₊CHCH₃), 0.92 (3H, t, J = 7.4 Hz, CH₂CH₃).



(\pm) -N-(1-Phenylethyl)aniline (5s)

The title compound was prepared according to **GP1** using boronic ester **1** (0.117 g, 0.505 mmol) and aniline (0.163 mg, 1.75 mmol), heating for 18 h. Flash column chromatography (98% hexane/2% EtOAc) of the crude material gave amine **5s** (44.3 mg, 45%) as an orange oil. The data were consistent with the literature.²⁶

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.42-7.38 (2H, m, Ar**H**), 7.37-7.32 (2H, m, Ar**H**), 7.27-7.23 (1H, m, Ar**H**), 7.15-7.09 (2H, m, Ar**H**), 6.70-6.65 (1H, m, Ar**H**), 6.56-6.52 (2H, m, Ar**H**), 4.51 (1H, q, J = 6.7 Hz, C**H**), 4.16 (1H, br s, N**H**), 1.55 (3H, d, J = 6.7 Hz, C**H**₃).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 147.1 (C), 145.1 (C), 129.1 (2 × CH), 128.6 (2 × CH), 126.9 (CH), 125.8 (2 × CH), 117.3 (CH), 113.4 (2 × CH), 53.5 (CH), 25.0 (CH₃).

(\pm) -4-Fluoro-N-(1-phenylethyl)aniline (5t)

The title compound was prepared according to **GP1** using boronic ester **1** (0.116 g, 0.500 mmol) and 4-fluoroaniline (0.196 g, 1.76 mmol), heating for 18 h. Flash column chromatography (98% hexane/2% EtOAc) of the crude material gave

amine 5t (53.0 mg, 49%) as an orange oil. The data were consistent with the literature. ²⁶

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.40-7.33 (4H, m, Ar**H**), 7.27-7.23 (1H, m, Ar**H**), 6.85-6.78 (2H, m, Ar**H**), 6.48-6.43 (2H, m, Ar**H**), 4.44 (1H, q, J = 6.7 Hz, C**H**), 4.04 (1H, br s, N**H**), 1.53 (3H, d, J = 6.7 Hz, C**H**₃).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 155.7 (C, d, J_F = 234.6 Hz), 144.9 (C), 143.5 (C), 128.7 (2 × CH), 127.0 (CH), 125.8 (2 × CH), 115.5 (2 × CH, d, J_F = 22.3 Hz), 114.1 (2 × CH, d, J_F = 7.1 Hz), 54.1 (CH), 25.0 (CH₃).

OMe (±)-4-Methoxy-N-(1-phenylethyl)aniline (5u)

The title compound was prepared according to **GP1** using boronic ester **1** (0.117 g, 0.505 mmol) and *p*-anisidine (0.217 g, 1.76 mmol), heating for 18 h. Flash column chromatography (96% hexane/4% EtOAc) of the crude material gave

amine 5u (31.6 mg, 28%) as an orange oil. The data were consistent with the literature. ²⁶

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.41-7.37 (2H, m, Ar**H**), 7.36-7.32 (2H, m, Ar**H**), 7.31-7.21 (1H, m, Ar**H**), 6.75-6.69 (2H, m, Ar**H**), 6.53-6.47 (2H, m, Ar**H**), 4.44 (1H, q, J = 6.7 Hz, C**H**), 3.72 (3H, s, OC**H**₃), 1.52 (3H, d, J = 6.7 Hz, C**H**₃).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 151.9 (C), 145.4 (C), 141.5 (C), 128.6 (2 × CH), 126.8 (CH), 125.9 (2 × CH), 114.7 (2 × CH), 114.6 (2 × CH), 55.7 (CH₃), 54.3 (CH), 25.1 (CH₃).

3.6. Diastereomeric Compounds

(\pm) -Bis(1-phenylethyl)amine (mixture of diastereoisomers) (5v)

The title compound was prepared according to **GP1** using boronic ester **1** (0.116 g, 0.500 mmol) and (*R*)-methylbenzylamine (212 mg, 1.75 mmol), heating for 18 h. Flash column chromatography (dichloromethane to 69% hexane/ 30% EtOAc/ 1% Et₃N) of the crude material gave amine **5v** (63.6 mg, 56%, *dl/meso* = 1:0.98) as a yellow oil. The data were consistent with the literature.²⁹

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.42-7.22 (20H, m, ArH, dl and meso isomers), 3.81 (2H, q, J = 6.5 Hz, CH, dl isomer), 3.55 (2H, q, J = 6.7 Hz, CH, meso isomer), 1.66 (2H, br s, NH, dl and meso isomers), 1.40 (6H, d, J = 6.6 Hz, CH₃, dl isomer), 1.32 (6H, d, J = 6.7 Hz, CH₃, meso isomer).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 145.8 (4 × C, dl and meso isomers), 128.4 (8 × CH, dl and meso

isomers), 126.8 (4 × CH, dl and meso isomers), 126.6 (4 × CH, dl and meso isomers), 126.5 (4 × CH, dl and meso isomers), 55.1 (2 × CH, meso), 54.8 (2 × CH, dl), 24.9 (2 × CH₃, meso), 23.1 (2 × CH₃, dl).

(±)-2-Methyl-1-(1-phenylethyl)piperidine (5w)

The title compound was prepared according to **GP1** using boronic ester **1** (0.117 g, 0.502 mmol) and 2-methyl piperidine (0.175 g, 1.76 mmol), heating for 18 h. Flash column chromatography (69% hexane/30% EtOAc/1% Et₃N) of the crude material gave amine **5wa** (21.0 mg, 21%) as a yellow oil and amine **5wb** (17.3 mg, 17%) as a yellow oil. The data for **5wa**²⁷ and **5wb**²⁸ were consistent with the literature.

(\pm) -(S,S)-2-Methyl-1-(1-phenylethyl)piperidine (5wa)

¹ **IR** 2930, 2793, 1447, 1373, 1279, 1066 cm⁻¹.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.47-7.42 (2H, m, ArH), 7.35-7.29 (2H, m, ArH), 7.24-_{5wa} 7.20 (1H, m, ArH), 4.07 (1H, q, *J* = 6.7 Hz, ArCH), 2.87-2.80 (1H, m, NCHCH₂), 2.40-2.33 (1H, m, CH_ACH_B), 2.20-2.12 (1H, m, CH_ACH_B),1.75-1.68 (1H, m, CH₂), 1.67-1.59 (1H, m, CH₂), 1.47-1.31 (4H, m, 2 × CH₂), 1.27 (3H, d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, ArCHCH₃), 1.14 (3H, d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, CH₂CHCH₃).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 145.8 (C), 127.9 (2 × CH), 127.7 (2 × CH), 126.2 (CH), 56.6 (CH), 52.0 (CH), 44.9 (CH₂), 34.7 (CH₂), 26.4 (CH₂), 23.4 (CH₂), 17.0 (CH₃), 12.5 (CH₃).

HRMS (QTOF) Exact mass calcd for $[C_{14}H_{21}N]^+$ $[M+H]^+$: 204.1747, found: 204.1751.

(\pm) -(R,S)-2-Methyl-1-(1-phenylethyl)piperidine (5wb)

IR 2940, 2523, 1455, 1205, 1064 cm⁻¹.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.35-7.22 (5H, m, Ar**H**), 4.10 (1H, q, J = 6.9 Hz, ArC**H**), 2.89-2.83 (1H. m, NC**H**_AH_B), 2.39-2.32 (1H, m, NC**H**_CH₂), 2.18-2.09 (1H, m, NCH_AH_B), 1.64-1.50 (4H, m, 2 × C**H**₂), 1.42 (3H, d, J = 6.9 Hz, ArCHC**H**₃), 1.39-1.29 (1H, m, C**H**₂), 1.25-1.17 (1H, m, C**H**₂), 1.14 (3H, d, J = 6.2 Hz, CH₂CHC**H**₃).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 141.8 (C), 128.1 (2 × CH), 127.8 (2 × CH), 126.6 (CH), 57.4 (CH), 52.4 (CH), 44.8 (CH₂), 34.7 (CH₂), 26.5 (CH₂), 22.9 (CH₂), 20.1 (CH₃), 17.3 (CH₃).

HRMS (QTOF) Exact mass calcd for $[C_{14}H_{21}N]^+$ $[M+H]^+$: 204.1747, found: 204.1754.

$(\pm)\text{-}3\text{-}Methyl\text{-}4\text{-}(1\text{-}phenylethyl)morpholine} \ (5x)$

The title compound was prepared according to **GP1** using boronic ester **1** (0.116 g, 0.498 mmol) and (*R*)-3-methylmorpholine (182 mg, 1.80 mmol), heating for 18 h. The mixture was concentrated *in vacuo*, dissolved in 5 mL EtOAc and extracted with aqueous HCl (1

M, 3×3 mL). The combined aqueous phases were and basified to pH > 10 using saturated aqueous Na₂CO₃, and extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3×10 mL). Flash column chromatography (75% hexane/25% EtOAc to 50% hexane/50% EtOAc) of the crude material gave two diastereoisomers, *amine* **5xa** (23.5 mg, 23%) as a colourless oil and *amine* **5xb** (23.2 mg, 23%) as a colourless oil.

Mixture of diastereomers:

HRMS (Q-TOF) Exact mass calcd for $[C_{13}H_{20}NO]^+$ [M+H]⁺: 206.1539, found: 206.1547.

Data for 5xa:

IR 2965, 2848, 1446, 1138, 1125, 1076 cm⁻¹.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.44-7.38 (2H, m, Ar**H**), 7.34-7.28 (2H, m, Ar**H**), 7.25-7.19 (1H, m, Ar**H**), 3.98 (1H, q, J = 6.8 Hz, ArC**H**), 3.75 (dd, J = 10.9, 3.0 Hz, 1H, CHC**H**_ACH_B), 3.60 (dt, J = 10.8, 4.4 Hz, 1H, CH₂CH_AC**H**_B), 3.52 (dd, J = 10.8, 5.2, 5.0 Hz, 1H, CH₂CH_AC**H**_B), 3.43 (dd, J = 10.9, 6.7 Hz, 1H, CHC**H**_ACH_B), 2.97 (1H, dqd, J = 6.7, 6.5, 3.0 Hz, NC**H**CH₃), 2.33-2.25 (2H, m, NC**H**₂), 1.29 (3H, d, J = 6.8 Hz, ArCHC**H**₃), 1.11 (3H, d, J = 6.5 Hz, CH₂CHC**H**₃).

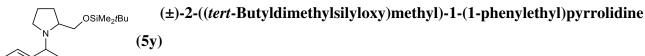
¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 144.6 (C), 128.1 (2 x CH), 127.7 (2 x CH), 126.6 (CH), 73.3 (CH₂), 67.8 (CH₂), 56.9 (CH), 51.0 (CH), 44.3 (CH₂), 13.4 (CH₃), 12.0 (CH₃).

Data for 5xb:

IR 2965, 2848, 1452, 1136, 1125, 969 cm⁻¹.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.37-7.20 (5H, m,), 3.97 (1H, q, J = 6.9 Hz, ArCH), 3.80-3.67 (2H, m, OCH₂), 3.61 (1H, dd, J = 10.9, 3.1 Hz, OCH_AH_BCH), 3.33 (1H, dd, J = 10.9, 6.5 Hz, OCH_AH_BCH), 2.82-2.72 (1H, m,), 2.50-2.37 (2H, m, NCH₂), 1.39 (3H, d, J = 6.9 Hz, ArCHCH₃), 1.04 (3H, d, J = 6.4 Hz, CH₂CHCH₃).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 141.4 (C), 128.1 (2 x CH), 128.0 (2 x CH), 126.9 (CH), 73.2 (CH₂), 67.8 (CH₂), 57.8 (CH), 51.2 (CH), 44.2 (CH₂), 19.9 (CH₃), 12.0 (CH₃).



The title compound was prepared according to **GP1** using boronic ester **1** (0.116 g, 0.501 mmol) and 2-((*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)methyl)pyrrolidine (378 mg, 1.75 mmol), heating for 18 h. Flash column chromatography (100% $CH_2Cl_2 \rightarrow 69\%$ $CH_2Cl_2/30\%$ $Et_2O/1\%$ Et_3N) of the crude material gave *amine* **5y** (103 mg, 64%, dr: 1.03:1) as a yellow oil. Upon further purification one of the diastereoisomers (**5ya**) was isolated for further characterisation.

Mixture of diastereoisomers (5ya and 5yb):

IR 2928, 1453, 1252, 1092, 833, 774 cm⁻¹.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CD₃CN) δ 7.39-7.34 (2H, m, Ar**H**, **5yb**), 7.34-7.26 (m, 6H, Ar**H**, **5ya** + **5yb**), 7.25-7.19 (m, 2H, Ar**H**, **5ya** + **5yb**), 3.83-3.70 (m, 2H, ArC**H**, **5ya** + **5yb**), 3.60 (dd, J = 10.0, 4.4 Hz,

1H, OCH_AH_B, **5ya**), 3.35 (dd, J = 10.0, 8.2 Hz, 1H, OCH_AH_B, **5ya**), 3.15 (1H, dd, J = 9.9, 4.8 Hz, OCH_AH_B, **5yb**) 3.10 (1H, dd, J = 9.9, 8.3 Hz, OCH_AH_B, **5yb**), 2.93-2.78 (3H, m, CH₂CH, **5ya** + **5yb**); NCH_AH_B, **5yb**), 2.77-2.69 (m, 1H, NCH_AH_B, **5ya**), 2.50 (td, J = 9.1, 6.8 Hz, 1H, NCH_AH_B, **5yb**), 2.39-2.29 (1H, m, NCH_AH_B, **5ya**), 1.78-1.54 (m, 8H, CHCH₂CH₂, **5ya** + **5yb**), 1.36 (3H, d, J = 6.7 Hz, CHCH₃, **5ya**), 1.33 (3H, d, J = 6.7 Hz, CHCH₃, **5yb**), 0.91 (9H, s, 3 × CCH₃, **5ya**), 0.80 (9H, s, 3 × CCH₃, **5yb**), 0.07 (3H, s, SiCH₃, **5ya**), 0.06 (3H, s, SiCH₃, **5ya**), -0.11 (3H, s, SiCH₃, **5yb**), -0.13 (3H, s, **5yb**).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CD₃CN) δ 147.1 (C), 145.8 (C), 129.0 (4 × CH), 128.7 (2 × CH), 128.6 (2 × CH), 127.8 (CH), 127.6 (CH), 67.7 (CH₂), 67.0 (CH₂), 63.8 (CH), 63.2 (CH), 63.0 (CH), 62.1 (CH), 52.8 (CH₂), 51.9 (CH₂), 29.0 (CH₂), 28.6 (CH₂), 26.3 (3 × CH₃), 26.3 (3 × CH₃), 26.1 (CH₃), 24.3 (CH₂), 24.2 (CH₂), 23.2 (CH₃), 19.8 (CH), 18.9 (C), 18.8 (C), -5.0 (CH₃), -5.1 (CH₃), -5.2 (CH₃).

HRMS (QTOF) Exact mass calcd for [C₁₉H₃₄NOSi]⁺ [M+H]⁺: 320.2404, found: 320.2414.

Diastereoisomer 5ya:

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CD₃CN) δ 7.37-7.26 (4H, m, ArH), 7.25-7.19 (1H, m, ArH), 3.81 (1H q, J = 6.7 Hz, ArCH), 3.60 (1H, dd, J = 10.0, 4.4 Hz, OCH_AH_B), 3.35 (1H, dd, J = 10.0, 8.1 Hz, OCH_AH_B), 2.88 (1H, tt, J = 8.1, 4.5 Hz, NHCH₂), 2.77-2.69 (1H, m, NCH_AH_B), 2.39-2.29 (1H, m, NCH_AH_B), 1.77-1.51 (4H, m, CHCH₂CH₂), 1.37 (3H, d, J = 6.7 Hz, CHCH₃), 0.90 (9H, s, 3 × CCH₃), 0.07 (3H, s, SiCH₃), 0.06 (3H, s, SiCH₃).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CD₃CN) δ 145.4 (C), 129.1 (2 × CH), 128.7 (2 × CH), 127.7 (CH), 67.6 (CH₂), 63.1 (CH), 62.3 (CH), 52.8 (CH₂), 29.0 (CH₂), 26.3 (3 × CH₃), 24.1 (CH₂), 23.1 (CH₃), 18.9 (C), -5.0 (CH₃), -5.1 (CH₃).

3.7. Scope of Reaction Using Benzylic Boronic Esters

(±)-N-[1-(4-Methoxylphenyl)ethyl]morpholine (23a)

The title compound was prepared according to **GP1** using boronic ester **22a** (0.131 g, 0.500 mmol) and morpholine (0.152 g, 1.75 mmol), heating for 18 h. Flash column chromatography (99% hexane/1% Et₃N \rightarrow 49.5% hexane/49.5% Et₂O/1% Et₃N) of the crude material gave amine **23a** (72.7 mg, 66%) as a colourless oil. The data were consistent with the literature. ¹⁵

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.22 (2H, d, J = 8.7 Hz, Ar**H**), 6.85 (2H, d, J = 8.7 Hz, Ar**H**), 3.80 (3H, s, OC**H**₃), 3.69-3.67 (4H, m, 2 × OC**H**₂), 3.26 (1H, q, J = 6.7 Hz, C**H**), 2.49-2.44 (2H, m, NC**H**₂), 2.37-2.32 (2H, m, NC**H**₂), 1.33 (3H, d, J = 6.7 Hz, CHC**H**₃).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.6 (C), 135.8 (C), 128.6 (2 × CH), 113.6 (2 × CH), 67.2 (2 × CH₂), 64.6 (CH), 55.2 (CH₃), 51.2 (2 × CH₂), 19.7 (CH₃).

(\pm) -N-[1-(4-Methylphenyl)ethyl]morpholine (23b)

The title compound was prepared according to **GP1** using boronic ester **22b** (0.124 g, 0.504 mmol) and morpholine (0.153 g, 1.76 mmol), heating for 18 h. Flash column chromatography (70% hexane/30% EtOAc) of the crude material gave amine **23b** (75.0 mg, 73%) as a colourless oil. The data were consistent with the literature.³⁰

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.20 (2H, d, J = 7.9 Hz, Ar**H**), 7.13 (2H, d, J = 7.9 Hz, Ar**H**), 3.72-3.64 (4H, m, 2 × OC**H**₂), 3.27 (1H, q, J = 6.5 Hz, C**H**), 2.47 (2H, br s, NC**H**₂), 2.39-2.34 (2H, m, NC**H**₂), 2.33 (3H, s, ArC**H**₃), 1.35 (3H, d, J = 6.5 Hz, CHC**H**₃).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 140.7 (C), 136.6 (C), 129.0 (2 × CH), 127.6 (2 × CH), 67.2 (2 × CH₂), 65.1 (CH), 51.3 (2 × CH₂), 21.0 (CH₃), 19.8 (CH₃).

(\pm) -N-[(1-([1,1'-Biphenyl]-4-yl)ethyl)morpholine (23c)

The title compound was prepared according to **GP1** using boronic ester **22c** (0.155 g, 0.503 mmol) and morpholine (0.156 g, 1.79 mmol), heating for 18 h. Flash column chromatography (59% hexane/40% EtOAc/1% Et₃N) of the crude material gave amine **23c** (99.6 mg, 74%) as a colourless oil. The data were consistent with the literature.³⁰

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.64-7.53 (4H, m, Ar**H**), 7.48-7.37 (4H, m, Ar**H**), 7.37-7.29 (1H, m, Ar**H**), 3.76-3.66 (4H, m, 2 × OC**H**₂), 3.37 (1H, q, J = 6.6 Hz, C**H**), 2.60-2.49 (2H, m, NC**H**₂), 2.47-2.36 (2H, m, NC**H**₂), 1.40 (3H, d, J = 6.6 Hz, C**H**₃).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 143.0 (C), 140.9 (C), 139.9 (C), 128.7 (2 × CH), 128.0 (2 × CH), 127.1 (CH), 127.0 (4 × CH), 67.2 (2 × CH), 65.1 (CH), 51.3 (2 × CH), 19.7 (CH₃).

(±)-4-(1-(4-Fluorophenyl)ethyl)morpholine (23d)

The title compound was prepared according to **GP1** using boronic ester **22d** (0.126 g, 0.504 mmol) and morpholine (153 µL, 1.75 mmol), heating for 18 h. Flash column chromatography (79% hexane/20% EtOAc/1% Et₃N to 99% EtOAc/1% Et₃N) of the crude material gave amine **23d** (76.9 mg, 73%) as a colourless oil. The data were consistent with the literature.³¹

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.30-7.23 (2H, m, Ar**H**), 7.02-6.94 (2H, m, Ar**H**), 3.74-3.60 (4H, m, 2 × OC**H**₂), 3.28 (1H, q, J = 6.7 Hz, C**H**), 2.55-2.40 (2H, m, 2 × NC**H**_AH_B), 2.37-2.27 (2H, m, 2 × NCH_AH_B), 1.31 (3H, d, J = 6.7 Hz, C**H**₃).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.8 (d, J_{C-F} = 244.7 Hz, C), 139.7 (d, J_{C-F} = 3.2 Hz, C), 128.9 (d, J_{C-F} = 7.8 Hz, 2 × CH), 115.0 (d, J_{C-F} = 21.0 Hz, 2 × CH), 67.1 (2 × CH₂), 64.5 (CH), 51.1 (2 × CH₂), 19.8 (CH₃).

¹⁹**F NMR** (377 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -116.0.

(±)-N-[1-(4-Chlorophenyl)ethyl]morpholine (23e)

The title compound was prepared according to **GP1** using boronic ester **22e** (0.134 g, 0.504 mmol) and morpholine (0.154 g, 1.77 mmol), heating for 19 h. Flash column chromatography (59% hexane/40% EtOAc/1% Et₃N) of the crude material gave *amine* **23e** (88.0 mg, 78%) as a colourless oil.

IR 2960, 2854, 2907, 1490, 1272, 1116 cm⁻¹.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.32-7.22 (4H, m, Ar**H**), 3.73-3.62 (4H, m, 2 × OC**H**₂), 3.28 (1H, q, J = 6.7 Hz, C**H**), 2.52-2.42 (2H, m, NC**H**₂), 2.38-2.29 (2H, m, NC**H**₂), 1.31 (3H, d, J = 6.7 Hz, C**H**₃). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 142.7 (C), 132.5 (C), 128.9 (2 × CH), 128.5 (2 × CH), 67.2 (2 × CH₂), 64.7 (CH), 51.2 (2 × CH₂), 19.8 (CH₃).

HRMS (Q-TOF) Exact mass calcd for $[C_{12}H_{16}^{35}CINO]^+$ [M+H]⁺: 226.0993, found: 226.1004.

(\pm) -Methyl 4-(1-morpholin-4-ylethyl)benzoate (23f)

The title compound was prepared according to a modification of **GP1** using boronic ester **22e** (0.146 g, 0.502 mmol) and morpholine (0.154 g, 1.77 mmol) and propyl acetate (0.8 mL), heating for 19 h. Flash column chromatography (20% EtOAc/80% CH₂Cl₂) of the crude material gave amine **23f** (63.0 mg, 50%) as a colourless oil. The data were consistent with the literature.³⁰

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) 8.02-7.91 (2H, m, Ar**H**), 7.44-7.35 (2H, m), 3.90 (3H, s, OC**H**₃), 3.74-3.62 (4H, m, $2 \times OCH_2$), 3.35 (1H, q, J = 6.7 Hz, C**H**), 2.54-2.43 (2H, m, NC**H**₂), 2.38-2.28 (2H, m, NC**H**₂), 1.33 (3H, d, J = 6.7Hz, CHC**H**₃).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.0 (CH), 149.6 (CH), 129.7 (2 × CH), 128.9 (C), 127.5 (2 × CH), 67.1 (2 × CH₂), 65.1 (CH₃), 52.0 (CH), 51.3 (2 × CH₂), 19.7 (CH₃).

(±)-N-[1-[4-(Trifluoromethyl)phenyl]ethyl]morpholine (23g)

The title compound was prepared according to **GP1** using boronic ester **22g** (0.154 g, 0.514 mmol) and morpholine (159 μ L, 1.82 mmol), heating for 18 h. Flash column chromatography (89% hexane/10% EtOAc/1% Et₃N \rightarrow 79% hexane/20% EtOAc/1%

Et₃N) of the crude material gave amine **23g** (82.5 mg, 62%) as a colourless oil. The data were consistent with the literature.¹⁵

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.61-7.54 (2H, m, Ar**H**), 7.51-7.40 (2H, m, Ar**H**), 3.69 (4H, br s, 2 × OC**H**₂), 3.42-3.29 (1H, m, C**H**), 2.58-2.43 (2H, m, 2 × NC**H**_AH_B), 2.40-2.27 (2H, m, 2 × NCH_AH_B), 1.34 (3H, d, J = 4.0 Hz, C**H**₃).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 148.4 (C), 129.3 (C, q, J_{C-F} = 31.7 Hz), 127.9 (2 × CH), 125.3 (2 × CH, q, J_{C-F} = 4.4 Hz), 124.4 (C, q, J_{C-F} = 271.0 Hz), 67.1 (2 × CH₂), 65.1 (CH), 51.2 (2 × CH₂), 19.7 (CH₃).

¹⁹**F NMR** (377 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -62.4.

$(\pm)\text{-}N\text{-}[1\text{-}(3\text{-}Methoxylphenyl})ethyl]morpholine~(23h)$

The title compound was prepared according to **GP1** using boronic ester **22h** (0.131 g, 0.500 mmol) and morpholine (0.154 g, 1.77 mmol), heating for 18 h. Flash column chromatography (69% hexane/30% EtOAc/1% Et₃N) of the crude material gave *amine* **23h** (88.0 mg, 80%) as a colourless oil.

IR 2958, 2853, 1585, 1264, 1116 cm⁻¹.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.25-7.20 (1H, m, Ar**H**), 6.93-6.87 (2H, m, Ar**H**), 6.78 (1H, dd, J = 7.8, 2.1 Hz, Ar**H**), 3.81 (3H, s, OC**H**₃), 3.74-3.64 (4H, m, 2 × OC**H**₂), 3.31-3.21 (1H, m, C**H**), 2.56-2.43 (2H, m, NC**H**₂), 2.42-2.32 (2H, m, NC**H**₂), 1.34 (3H, d, J = 6.4 Hz, CHC**H**₃).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.6 (C), 145.8 (C), 129.2 (CH), 120.0 (CH), 113.3 (CH), 112.1 (CH), 67.2 (2 × CH₂), 65.4 (CH), 55.2 (2 × CH₂), 51.3 (CH₃), 19.9 (CH₃).

HRMS (QTOF) Exact mass calcd for $[C_{13}H_{19}NO_2]^+$ [M]⁺: 221.1410, found: 221.1417.

(±)-N-[1-(3-Chlorophenyl)ethyl]morpholine (23i)

The title compound was prepared according to **GP1** using boronic ester **22i** (0.135 g, 0.509 mmol) and morpholine (158 µL, 1.81 mmol), heating for 18 h. Flash column

chromatography (59% hexane/40% EtOAc/1% Et₃N) of the crude material gave amine **23i** (79.4 mg, 69%) as a pale-yellow oil. The data were consistent with the literature.¹⁸

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.34 (1H, t, J = 1.8 Hz, Ar**H**), 7.26-7.15 (3H, m, Ar**H**), 3.73-3.62 (4H, m, 2 × OC**H**₂), 3.27 (1H, q, J = 6.7 Hz, C**H**), 2.53-2.42 (2H, m, 2 × NC**H**_AH_B), 2.39-2.29 (2H, m, 2 × NCH_AH_B), 1.31 (3H, d, J = 6.7 Hz, C**H**₃).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 146.3 (C), 134.2 (C), 129.5 (CH), 127.5 (CH), 127.1 (CH), 125.7 (CH), 67.1 (2 × CH₂), 64.9 (CH), 51.1 (2 × CH₂), 19.7 (CH₃).

(±)-4-(1-(3-Bromophenyl)ethyl)morpholine (23j)

The title compound was prepared according to **GP1** using boronic ester **22j** (0.156 g, 0.502 mmol) and morpholine (155 µL, 1.77 mmol), heating for 18 h. Flash column chromatography (90% hexane/ 10% EtOAc to 100% EtOAc) of the material gave amine **23j** (88.2 mg, 65%) as a colourless oil. The data were consistent with the literature.³⁰

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.48 (1H, t, J = 1.8 Hz, Ar**H**), 7.39-7.33 (1H, m, Ar**H**), 7.25-7.21 (1H, m, Ar**H**), 7.17 (1H, t, J = 7.7 Hz, Ar**H**), 3.74-3.62 (4H, m, 2 × OCH₂), 3.26 (1H, q, J = 6.7 Hz, C**H**), 2.52-2.42 (2H, m, 2 × NCH_AH_B), 2.39-2.30 (2H, m, 2 × NCH_AH_B), 1.31 (3H, d, J = 6.7 Hz, CH₃). ¹³C **NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 146.6 (C), 130.4 (CH), 130.0 (CH), 129.9 (CH), 126.2 (CH), 122.5 (C), 67.1 (CH₂), 64.9 (CH), 51.2 (CH₂), 19.7 (CH₃).

(\pm) -N-[1-(2-Methylphenyl)ethyl]morpholine (23k)

The title compound was prepared according to **GP1** using boronic ester **22k** (0.124 g, 0.505 mmol) and morpholine (0.153 g, 1.76 mmol), heating for 19 h. Flash column chromatography (69% hexane/30% EtOAc/1% Et₃N) of the crude material gave *amine* **23k** (87.7 mg, 85%) as a colourless oil.

IR 2958, 2852, 1454, 1261, 1116 cm⁻¹.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.45 (1H, d, J = 7.5 Hz, Ar**H**), 7.21-7.14 (1H, m, Ar**H**), 7.12 (2H, d, J = 3.9 Hz, Ar**H**), 3.74-3.63 (4H, m, 2 × OCH₂), 3.53 (1H, q, J = 6.6 Hz, C**H**), 2.56-2.45 (2H, m, NCH₂), 2.42-2.36 (2H, m, NCH₂), 2.36 (3H, s, ArCH₃), 1.28 (3H, d, J = 6.6 Hz, CHCH₃).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 142.6 (C), 135.8 (C), 130.4 (CH), 126.8 (CH), 126.4 (CH), 126.0 (CH), 67.3 (2 × CH₂), 60.8 (CH), 51.3 (2 × CH₂), 19.5 (CH₃), 18.6 (CH₃).

HRMS (Q-TOF) Exact mass calcd for [C₁₃H₁₉NO]⁺ [M+H]⁺: 206.1539, found: 206.1549.

(±)-N-[1-(2-Naphthalenyl)ethyl]morpholine (23l)

The title compound was prepared according to **GP1** using boronic ester **22l** (0.142 g, 0.503 mmol) and morpholine (0.155 mg, 1.78 mmol), for 18 h. Flash column chromatography (69% hexane/30% EtOAc/1% Et₃N) of the crude material gave amine **23l** (86.3 mg, 71%) as a colourless oil. The data were consistent with the literature. 15

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.85-7.78 (3H, m, Ar**H**), 7.72 (1H, s, Ar**H**), 7.55-7.42 (3H, m, Ar**H**), 3.76-3.65 (4H, m, 2 × OC**H**₂), 3.46 (1H, q, J = 6.5 Hz, C**H**), 2.60-2.51 (2H, m, NC**H**₂), 2.45-2.35 (2H, m, NC**H**₂), 1.44 (3H, d, J = 6.5 Hz, C**H**₃).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 141.7 (C), 133.3 (C), 132.8 (C), 128.1 (CH), 127.7 (CH), 127.6 (CH), 126.2 (CH), 126.0 (CH), 125.8 (CH), 125.6 (CH), 67.2 (2 × CH₂), 65.6 (CH), 51.5 (2 × CH₂), 19.8 (CH₃).

(±)-4-(1,2,3,4-Tetrahydro-1-naphthalenyl)morpholine (23m)

The title compound was prepared according to modification of **GP1** using boronic ester **22m** (0.134 g, 0.519 mmol) and morpholine (158 μL, 1.81 mmol), heating for 18 h. The crude was concentrated under vacuo, dissolved in EtOAc (5 mL) and extracted with aqueous HCl (1 M, 3 × 3 mL). The aqueous phases were combined, basified to pH > 10 with saturated aqueous Na₂CO₃, and extracted with EtOAc (3 × 10 mL). The combined organic phases were dried (MgSO₄), and concentrated *in vacuo*. Flash column chromatography (90% hexane/ 10% Et₂O → 100% Et₂O) of the crude material gave amine **23m** (77.5 mg, 69%) as a colourless oil. The data were consistent with the literature.³²

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.72 (1H, dd, J = 7.1, 1.3 Hz, Ar**H**), 7.23-7.11 (2H, m, Ar**H**), 7.11-7.05 (1H, m, Ar**H**), 3.86-3.67 (5H, m, C**H** and 2 × OC**H**₂), 2.89-2.69 (2H, m, ArC**H**₂), 2.69-2.59 (2H, m, 2 × NCH_AH_B), 2.56-2.45 (2H, m, 2 × NCH_AH_B), 2.08-1.91 (2H, m, CHCH_AH_B and ArCH₂CH_AH_B), 1.82-1.63 (2H, m, CHCH_AH_B and ArCH₂CH_AH_B).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 138.3 (C), 137.6 (C), 128.8 (CH), 128.1 (CH), 126.3 (CH), 125.6 (CH), 67.6 (2 × CH₂), 63.0 (CH), 48.9 (2 × CH₂), 29.6 (CH₂), 21.5 (CH₂), 21.5 (CH₂).

(±)-4-(4-Azido-1-phenylbutyl)morpholine (23n)

The title compound was prepared according to **GP1** using boronic ester **22n** (154 mg, 0.514 mmol) and morpholine (87.0 mg, 0.99 mmol), for 18 h. Flash column chromatography (69% hexane/30% EtOAc/1% Et₃N) of the crude material gave amine **23n** (94.9 mg, 71%) as a colourless oil.

IR 2954, 2853, 2092, 1450, 1731, 1116.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.39-7.19 (5H, m, ArH), 3.68 (4H, t, J = 4.7 Hz, 2 × OCH₂), 3.26 (1H, dd, J = 8.9, 5.2 Hz, CH), 3.21 (2H, t, J = 6.8 Hz, CH₂N₃), 2.52-2.33 (4H, m, 2 × CH₂CH₂O), 2.06-1.94 (1H, m, CHCH_AH_b), 1.85-1.70 (1H, m, CHCH_AH_b), 1.55-1.31 (2H, m, CH₂CH₂N₃).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 139.6 (C), 128.4 (2 × CH), 128.2 (2 × CH), 127.3 (CH), 69.9 (CH), 67.0 (2 × CH₂), 51.4 (CH₂), 50.9 (2 × CH₂), 29.4 (CH₂), 25.5 (CH₂).

HRMS (Q-TOF) Exact mass calcd for $[C_{14}H_{21}N_4O]^+$ [M+H]⁺: 261.1715, found: 261.1722.

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(±)-N-(6-Chloro-1-phenylhexyl)morpholine (23o)

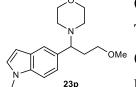
The title compound was prepared according to **GP1** using boronic ester **220** (89.8 mg, 0.28 mmol) and morpholine (87.0 mg, 0.99 mmol), for 18 h. Flash column chromatography (69% hexane/30% EtOAc/1% Et₃N) of the crude material gave *amine* **230** (31.5 mg, 40%, ~90% purity) as a colourless oil.

IR 2935, 2856, 1450, 1683, 1273, 1116.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.36-7.30 (2H, m, Ar**H**), 7.28-7.21 (3H, m, Ar**H**), 3.72-3.65 (4H, m, 2 × OC**H**₂), 3.46 (2H, t, J = 6.7 Hz, C**H**₂Cl), 3.24-3.20 (1H, m, C**H**), 50-2.32 (4H, m, 2 × NC**H**₂), 1.96-1.87 (1H, m, C**H**_ACH_B), 1.76-1.64 (3H, m, CH_AC**H**_B and C**H**₂), 1.44-1.34 (2H, m, C**H**₂), 1.20-1.02 (2H, m, C**H**₂).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 145.7 (C), 128.6 (2 × CH), 128.1 (2 × CH), 127.2 (CH), 70.5 (CH), 67.2 (2 × CH₂), 51.1 (2 × CH₂), 45.0 (CH₂), 32.4 (2 × CH₂), 26.9 (CH₂), 25.4 (CH₂).

HRMS (Q-TOF) Exact mass calcd for $[C_{16}H_{24}^{35}ClNO]^+$ [M+H]⁺: 282.1619 found: 282.1631.



(±)-3-[3-Methoxy-1-(moprholinyl)propyl]--1*H*-1-methyl-indole (23p)

The title compound was prepared according to **GP1** using boronic ester **22p** (0.165 g, 0.501 mmol) and morpholine (155 μ L, 1.75 mmol), heating for 18 h. Flash column chromatography (1: 95% CH₂Cl₂/5% MeOH; 2: 50% hexane/50%

isopropanol) gave amine 23p (80.1 mg, 55%) as a brown oil.

IR 2924 (CH), 1447, 1115 cm⁻¹.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.47 (1H, s, ArH), 7.28 (1H, d, J = 8.5 Hz, ArH), 7.14 (1H, dd, J = 8.5, 1.3 Hz, ArH), 7.05 (1H, d, J = 3.1 Hz, ArH), 6.46 (1H, d, J = 3.1 Hz, ArH), 3.79 (3H, s, NCH₃), 3.67 (4H, t, J = 4.7 Hz, (CH₂)₂O), 3.45 (1H, dd, J = 9.9, 4.9 Hz, NCH), 3.27-3.19 (4H, m, OCH₃ and CH_aH_BOCH₃), 3.14 (1H, dt, J = 9.3, 7.3 Hz, CH_aH_BOCH₃), 2.57-2.44 (2H, m, 2 × NCH_aH_B), 2.44-2.36 (2H, m, 2 × NCH_aH_B), 2.36-2.26 (1H, m, CHCH_aCH_B), 2.03-1.89 (1H, m, CHCH_aH_B).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 136.2 (C), 130.8 (C), 129.0 (CH), 128.2 (C), 122.2 (CH), 120.8 (CH), 108.9 (CH), 100.8 (CH), 70.3 (CH₂), 67.8 (CH), 67.3 (2 × CH₂), 58.6 (CH₃), 51.3 (2 × CH₂), 32.9 (CH₂), 32.9 (CH₃).

HRMS (Q-TOF) Exact mass calcd for $[C_{17}H_{25}N_2O_2]^+$ [MH]⁺ calcd. 289.1922, found 289.1927.

(±)-4-(2-Phenylbutan-2-yl)morpholine (23q)

23q

The title compound was prepared according to **GP1** using boronic ester **22q** (0.137 g, 0.501 mmol) and morpholine (153 mg, 1.76 mmol), for 18 h. Flash column chromatography (79% hexane/20% EtOAc/1% Et_3N) of the crude material gave *amine*

23q (19.8 mg, 17%) as a colourless oil.

IR 2955, 2854, 1451, 1270, 1117 cm⁻¹.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.35-7.27 (2H, m, Ar**H**), 7.27-7.19 (3H, m, Ar**H**), 3.71-3.59 (4H, m, 2 × OC**H**₂), 3.32 (1H, dd, J = 9.4, 5.6 Hz, ArC**H**), 2.48-2.39 (2H, m, NC**H**₂), 2.39-2.30 (2H, m, NC**H**₂), 1.77-1.62 (2H, m, CHC**H**₂), 1.32-1.25 (1H, m, CHCH₃), 0.86 (3H, d, J = 6.6 Hz, C**H**₃), 0.83 (3H, d, J = 6.6 Hz, C**H**₃).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 140.1 (C), 128.7 (2 × CH), 128.0 (2 × CH), 127.1 (CH), 68.5 (CH), 67.3 (2 × CH₂), 50.9 (2 × CH₂), 41.3 (CH₂), 25.0 (CH₃), 23.7 (CH), 21.9 (CH₃).

HRMS (Q-TOF) Exact mass calcd for $[C_{15}H_{24}NO]^+$ [M+H]⁺: 234.1852 found: 234.1862.

N-Benzylmorpholine (23r)

The title compound was prepared according to **GP1** using boronic ester **22r** (0.109 g, 0.500 mmol) and morpholine (0.152 mg, 1.74 mmol), for 18 h. Flash column chromatography (99% hexane/1% Et₃N to 99% Et₂O/1% Et₃N) of the crude material gave amine **23r** (66.3 mg, 75%) as a colourless oil. The data were consistent with the literature.²³

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.34-7.29 (4H, m, Ar**H**), 7.27-7.23 (1H, m, Ar**H**), 3.72-3.70 (4H, m, 2 × OC**H**₂), 3.50 (2H, s, ArC**H**₂), 2.46-2.43 (4H, m, 2 × NC**H**₂CH₂).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 137.8 (C), 129.2 (2 × CH), 128.2 (2 × CH), 127.1 (CH), 67.0 (2 × CH₂), 63.5 (CH₂), 53.6 (2 × CH₂).

3.8. Scope of Reaction Using Aliphatic Boronic Esters

2-Butyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline (23s)

The title compound was prepared according to **GP1** using *n*-butyl pinacol boronic ester (0.103 g, 0.560 mmol) and 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline (253 µL, 2.02 mmol), heating for 18 h. Flash column chromatography (70% hexane/ 29% EtOAc/ 1% Et₃N) of the material gave amine **23s** (36.6 mg, 35%) as an orange oil. The data were consistent with the literature.³³

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.15-7.06 (3H, m, ArH), 7.05-6.98 (1H, m, ArH), 3.63 (2H, s, NCH₂Ar), 2.92 (2H, t, J = 5.9 Hz, NCH₂CH₂Ar), 2.74 (2H, t, J = 5.9 Hz, ArCH₂CH₂), 2.55-2.46 (2H, m, NCH₂CH₂CH₂), 1.65-1.54 (2H, m, CH₂CH₂CH₃), 1.46-1.32 (2H, m, CH₂CH₃), 0.96 (3H, t, J = 7.3 Hz, CH₃).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 134.9 (C), 134.3 (C), 128.6 (CH), 126.6 (CH), 126.0 (CH), 125.5 (CH), 58.3 (CH₂), 56.2 (CH₂), 51.0 (CH₂), 29.3 (CH₂), 29.21(CH₂), 20.8 (CH₂), 14.1 (CH₃).

Ph 1-(3-Azidopropyl)-4-phenylpiperidine (23t)

The title compound was prepared according to **GP1** using boronic ester **22t** (0.106 g, 0.502 mmol) and 4-phenylpiperidine (0.282 g, 1.75 mmol), heating for 18 h.

Flash column chromatography (59% hexane/40% $Et_2O/1\%$ Et_3N) of the material gave *amine* **23t** (74.8 mg, 61%) as a colourless oil.

IR 2932, 2093, 1452, 1253, 1131 cm⁻¹.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.30 (2H, dd, J = 8.0, 7.7 Hz, Ar**H**), 7.23 (2H, d, J = 7.7 Hz, Ar**H**), 7.21 (1H, t, J = 8.0 Hz, Ar**H**), 3.38 (2H, t, J = 6.7 Hz, C**H**₂N₃), 3.08 (2H, d, J = 11.9 Hz, 2 × NC**H**_AH_BCH₂CH), 2.56-2.48 (3H, m, NC**H**₂CH₂CH₂ + C**H**), 2.15-2.09 (2H, m, C**H**₂CH₂N₃), 1.89-1.82 (6H, m, NCH_AH_BCH₂CH + 2 × C**H**₂CH).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 146.1 (C), 128.4 (2 × CH), 126.8 (2 × CH), 126.2 (CH), 55.7 (CH₂), 54.3 (2 × CH₂), 49.7 (2 × CH₂), 42.6 (CH), 33.3 (CH₂), 26.4 (CH₂).

HRMS (Q-TOF) Exact mass calcd for $C_{14}H_{21}N_4$]⁺ [M+H]⁺: 245.1761 found: 245.1764.

$\hbox{$4$-[3-(Phenylsulfanyl)propyl]} morpholine \ (23u)$

The title compound was prepared according to **GP1** using boronic ester **22u** (0.139 g, 0.500 mmol) and morpholine (0.152 g, 1.74 mmol), heating for 18 h. Flash column chromatography (99% hexane/1% Et₃N \rightarrow 49.5% hexane/49.5% Et₂O/1% Et₃N) of the material gave *amine* **23u** (72.5 mg, 61%) as a colourless oil.

IR 2853, 1584, 1439, 1259, 1116 cm⁻¹

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.34 (2H, d, J = 8.1 Hz, Ar**H**), 7.27 (1H, dd, J = 8.1, 7.2 Hz, Ar**H**), 7.17 (1H, t, J = 7.2 Hz, Ar**H**), 3.71 (4H, t, J = 4.6 Hz, OC**H**₂), 2.97 (2H, t, J = 7.2 Hz, SC**H**₂), 2.58-2.25 (6H, m, $CH_2CH_2CH_2N + 2 \times OCH_2CH_2N$), 1.83 (2H, p, J = 7.2 Hz, SCH_2CH_2).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 136.5 (C), 129.1 (2 × CH), 128.9 (2 × CH), 125.9 (CH), 66.9 (CH₂), 57.5 (CH₂), 53.6 ($2 \times \text{CH}_2$), 31.4 ($2 \times \text{CH}_2$), 26.0 (CH₂).

HRMS (Q-TOF) Exact mass calcd for [C₁₃H₂₀NOS]⁺ [M+H]⁺: 238.1260 found: 238.1268.

23v

4-[3-(3-Bromophenoxy)propyl]morpholine (23v)

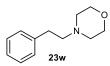
The title compound was prepared according to GP1 using boronic ester 22v (0.169 g, 0.496 mmol) and morpholine (0.152 g, 1.74 mmol), heating for 18 h.

Flash column chromatography (40% EtOAc/59% hexane/1% Et₃N) of the material gave amine 23v (96.6 mg, 65%) as a pale yellow oil.

IR 2954, 2810, 1588, 1467, 1229, 1116, 860 cm⁻¹.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ7.16-7.09 (1H, m, Ar**H**), 7.09-7.02 (2H, m, Ar**H**), 6.86-6.78 (1H, m, ArH), 4.00 (2H, t, J = 6.3 Hz, ArOCH₂), 3.72 (4H, t, J = 4.6, Hz, OCH₂CH₂N), 2.50 (2H t, J = 7.2, Hz, $CH_2CH_2CH_2N$), 2.48-2.44 (4H, m, OCH_2CH_2N), 1.95 (2H, tt, J = 7.2, 6.3 Hz, $ArOCH_2CH_2$). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.8 (C), 130.5 (CH), 123.7 (CH), 122.8 (C), 117.7 (CH), 113.6 (CH), $67.0 (2 \times \text{CH}_2)$, $66.3 (\text{CH}_2)$, $55.4 (\text{CH}_2)$, $53.7 (2 \times \text{CH}_2)$, $26.3 (\text{CH}_2)$.

HRMS (Q-TOF) Exact mass calcd for $[C_{13}H_{19}^{79}BrNO_2]^+$ [M+H]⁺: 300.0594 found: 300.0599.

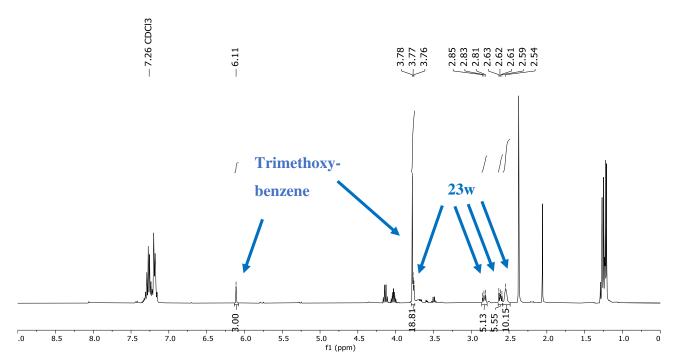


4-(2-Phenylethyl)morpholine (23w)

The title compound was prepared using a modification of GP1 using 4,4,5,5tetramethyl-2-phenethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (0.117)0.503 mmol) morpholine (0.16 mL, 1.8 mmol), heating for 18 h. The mixture was filtered through a silica plug, eluting with EtOAc (10 mL). 1,3,5-Trimethoxybenzene (21.1 mg, 0.125 mmol) was added to the filtrate, and the mixture was concentrated in vacuo. The mixture was analysed by ¹H NMR, which indicated amine 23w was formed in 72% yield (average of two reactions). The data matched the literature.34

Characteristic peaks for 23w.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 3.77-3.75 (4H, m, 2 × OCH₂), 2.86-2.80 (2H, m, NCH₂), 2.64-2.58 $(2H, m, PhCH₂), 2.54 (4H, s, 2 \times NCH₂).$



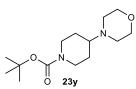
HRMS (Q-TOF) Exact mass calcd for $[C_{12}H_{18}NO]^+$ [M+H]⁺: 192.1383 found: 192.1388.

Propan-2-yl 4-(3-morpholin-4-ylpropoxy)benzoate (23x)

The title compound was prepared according to GP1 using boronic ester 22x (0.174 g, 0.500 mmol) and morpholine (0.16 mL, 1.8 mmol), heating for 18 h. Flash column chromatography (1: 100% EtOAc, 2:

2% EtOH/98% CH₂Cl₂) of the material gave amine 23x (86.0 mg, 56%) as a pale yellow oil. **IR** 2956, 2854, 1705, 1605, 1251, 1099, 771 cm⁻¹.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.01 – 7.94 (2H, m, Ar**H**), 6.93 – 6.87 (2H, m, Ar**H**), 5.22 (1H, hept, J = 6.3 Hz, CH), 4.08 (2H t, J = 6.3 Hz, ArOCH₂), $3.77 - 3.69 \text{ (4H, m, } 2 \times \text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{N})$, 2.58 - 2.41 $(6H, m, 3 \times NCH_2), 1.99 (1H, tt, J = 6.4, 6.3 Hz, ArOCH_2CH_2), 1.35 (6H, d, J = 6.3 Hz, 2 \times CH_3).$ ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.9 (C), 162.6 (C), 131.5 (2 × CH), 123.3 (C), 113.9 (2 × CH), $67.9 \text{ (CH)}, 67.0 \text{ (2} \times \text{CH}_2), 66.2 \text{ (CH}_2), 55.4 \text{ (CH}_2), 53.7 \text{ (2} \times \text{CH}_2), 26.3 \text{ (CH}_2), 22.0 \text{ (2} \times \text{CH}_3).$ **HRMS** (Q-TOF) Exact mass calcd for [C₁₇H₂₆NO₄]⁺ [M+H]⁺: 308.1866 found: 308.1856.

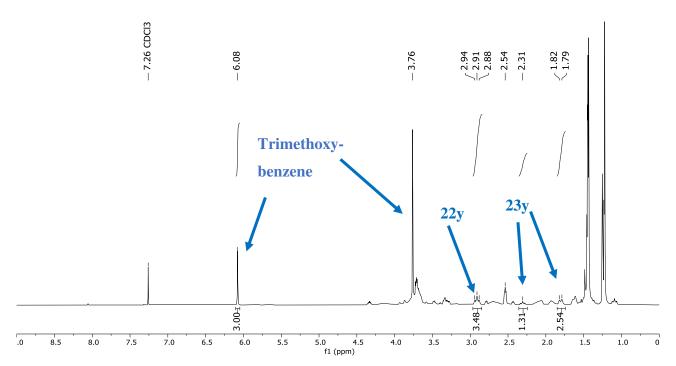


tert-Butyl 4-morpholinopiperidine-1-carboxylate (23y)

The title compound was prepared using a modification of **GP1** using *N*-Bocpiperidine-4-boronic acid pinacol ester 22y (0.156 g, 0.503 mmol) and morpholine (0.16 mL, 1.8 mmol), heating for 18 h. The mixture was filtered through a silica plug, eluting with EtOAc (10 mL). 1,3,5-Trimethoxybenzene (18.9 mg, 0.112 mmol) was added to the filtrate, and the mixture was concentrated in vacuo. The mixture was analysed by ¹H NMR, which indicated amine **23y** was formed in 29% yield (average of two reactions). The data matched the literature.³⁵

Characteristic peaks for 10y.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 2.36-2.25 (1H, m, C**H**), 1.80 (2H, d, J = 13.0 Hz, C**H**₂).



HRMS (Q-TOF) Exact mass calcd for $[C_{14}H_{27}N_2O_3]^+$ [M+H]⁺: 271.2016 found: 271.2020.

3.9. Coupling of Tertiary Boronic Esters

4-[1-(4-Chlorophenyl)-1-phenylethyl]morpholine (25a)

The title compounds were prepared according to **GP1** using boronic ester **23a** (0.171 g, 0.502 mmol) and morpholine (0.153 g, 1.76 mmol). Flash chromatography (89% hexane/10% EtOAc/1% Et₃N) of the crude material gave and *amine* **25a** (8.0 mg, 5%) as a colourless oil and alkene **26** (68.5 mg, 64%) as a colourless oil.

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 144.8 (C), 144.2 (C), 132.0 (C), 128.9 (2 × CH), 128.1 (4 × CH), 127.4 (2 × CH), 126.5 (CH), 67.7 (2 × CH₂), 66.4 (C), 47.7 (2 × CH₂), 18.9 (CH₃).

HRMS (Q-TOF) Exact mass calcd for $[C_{18}H_{20}^{35}CINO]^+$ [M]⁺: 301.1228 found: 301.1220.

1-(4-Chlorophenyl)-1-phenylethylene (26)

CI

The data were consistent with the literature.³⁶

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.37-7.25 (9H, m, ArH), 5.48-5.44 (2H, m, CH₂) ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 149.0 (C), 141.0 (C), 139.9 (C), 133.6 (C), 129.5 (2 × CH), 128.3 (2 × CH), 128.3 (2 × CH), 128.2 (2 × CH), 127.9 (CH), 114.7 (CH₂).

(±)-4-(3-Methyl-1-phenylbutyl)morpholine (25b)

Morpholine (0.218 g, 2.5 mmol) was added to a flask containing boronic ester **24b** (0.065 g, 0.25 mmol) and CuBr₂ (5.6 mg, 0.025 mmol), and the mixture was stirred under air at 80 °C for 18 h. The mixture was cooled to room temperature, passed through a plug of silica eluting with Et₂O, and concentrated *in vacuo*. Flash chromatography (89% hexane/10% EtOAc/1% Et₃N) of the crude material gave and *amine* **25b** (5.8 mg, 11%) as a colourless oil.

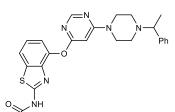
IR 2966, 2851, 1493, 1446, 1273, 1118 cm⁻¹.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.49-7.44 (2H, m, ArH), 7.33-7.27 (2H, m, ArH), 7.22-7.17 (1H, m, ArH), 3.74-3.63 (4H, m, 2 × OCH₂), 2.59-2.50 (2H, m, 2 × NCH_AH_B), 2.43-2.36 (2H, m, 2 × NCH_AH_B), 1.81-1.71 (1H, m, CCH_AH_B), 1.66-1.56 (1H, m, CCH_AH_B), 1.33 (3H, s, CCH₃), 0.57 (3H, t, J = 7.4 Hz, CH₂CH₃).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 145.8 (C), 127.7 (2 × CH), 127.3 (2 × CH), 126.1 (CH), 67.9 (2 × CH₂), 62.8 (C), 46.8 (2 × CH₂), 33.8 (CH₂), 15.7 (CH₃), 8.7 (CH₃).

HRMS (Q-TOF) Exact mass calcd for $[C_{14}H_{22}NO]^+$ [M+H]⁺: 220.1696 found: 220.1703.

3.10. Synthesis of a TRVP1 Inhibitor



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 $\label{eq:continuous} (\pm)-N-[5-[6-[4-(1-Phenylethyl)piperazin-1-yl]pyrimidin-4-yl]oxy-1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl]acetamide (28)$

The title compound was prepared using a modification of the **GP1** using boronic ester **1** (0.117 g, 0.504 mmol), $CuBr_2$ (22.6 mg, 0.100 mmol) and amine **27** (0.324 g, 1.75 mmol) in DMSO (0.75 mL) heating for 18 h. The

mixture was diluted in CH2Cl2, filtered, and the filtrate concentrated in vacuo. Flash column

chromatography (100% EtOAc) of the crude material gave amine **28** (88.4 mg, 37%) as an off-white solid. The data were consistent with the literature.⁴

m.p. 175-178 °C (DMSO). Literature 132-135 °C (Not reported).⁴

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d^6) δ 12.41 (1H, br s, NH), 8.05 (1H, s, ArH), 7.84 (1H, dd, J = 7.9, 1.1 Hz, ArH), 7.36-7.23 (6H, m, ArH), 7.18 (1H, d, J = 7.9, 1.1 Hz, ArH), 6.31 (1H, s, ArH), 3.59-3.56 (4H, m, 2 × ArNCH₂), 3.45 (1H, q, J = 6.7 Hz, CHCH₃), 2.49-2.43 (2H, m, 2 × CHNCH_AH_B), 2.38-2.32 (2H, m, 2 × CHNCH_AH_B), 2.15 (3H, s, COCH₃), 1.32 (3H, d, J = 6.7 Hz, CHCH₃).

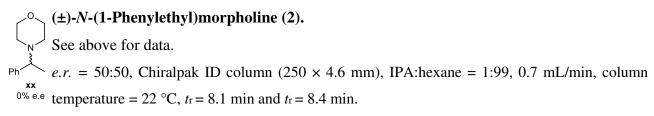
¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO- d^6) δ 169.9 (C), 169.5 (C), 163.6 (C), 158.0 (C), 157.3 (CH), 144.2 (C), 143.1 (C), 141.8 (C), 133.4 (C), 128.2 (2 × CH), 127.5 (2 × CH), 127.0 (CH), 124.0 (CH), 119.2

(CH), 118.9 (CH), 85.7 (CH), 63.7 (CH), 49.5 (2 × CH₂), 43.9 (2 × CH₂), 22.6 (CH₃), 19.3 (CH₃).

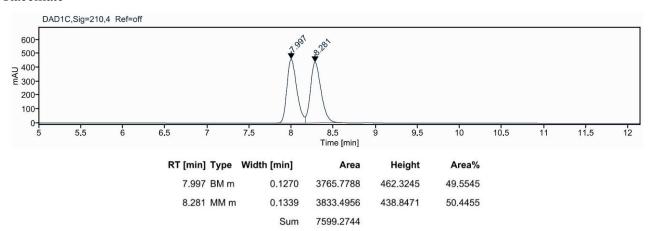
3.11. Mechanistic Studies

Reaction With Enantiomerically Enriched Boronic Ester

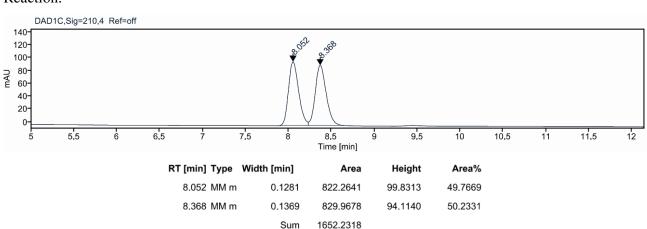
IPA (0.38 mL) and toluene (0.38 mL) were added to a flask containing boronic ester (*S*)-1 (0.117 g, 0.503 mmol), morpholine (0.155 μl, 1.75 mmol) and CuBr₂ (11.3 mg, 0.05 mmol), and the mixture was stirred under air at 80 °C for 1.5 h. The mixture was cooled to room temperature, passed through a plug of silica eluting with Et₂O, and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude material was purified by column chromatography (5% EtOAc/95% hexane then 1% Et₃N/30% EtOAc/69% hexane) to give amine 2 (53.2 mg, 55%), boronic ester 1 (31 mg, 27%), and acetophenone (2.0 mg, 3%).



Racemate

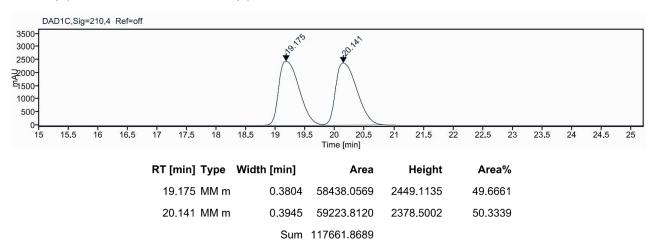


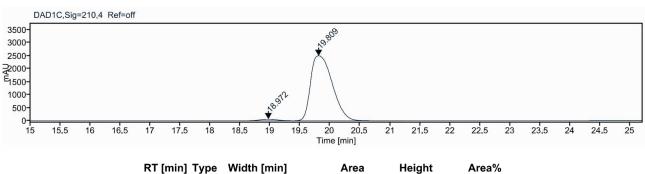
Reaction:



Bpin (S)-4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-2-(1-phenylethyl)-1,3,2-dioxaborolane ((S)-1) See above for data.

96% e.e e.r. = 2:98, measured through chiral HPLC analysis of the corresponding alcohol obtained after oxidation. Chiralpak ID column (250 × 4.6 mm), IPA:hexane = 1:99, 0.7 mL/min, column temperature = 22 °C, (*R*)- isomer $t_r = 19.0$ min and (*S*)-isomer $t_r = 19.8$ min.





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(\pm) -N-[Cyclopropyl(phenyl)methyl]morpholine (6) and (\pm) -N-[(3E)-4-Phenylbut-3-en-1-yl]morpholine (8)

The title compounds were prepared according to **GP1** using boronic ester **6** (0.129 g, 0.501 mmol) and morpholine (0.154 mg, 1.78 mmol), heating for 18 h. Flash column chromatography (69% hexane/30% EtOAc/1% Et₃N) of the crude material gave *amine* **7** (39.6 mg, 36%, ~94% purity) as a colourless oil and *amine* **8** (40.3 mg, 37%) as a pale yellow oil.

(±)-N-[Cyclopropyl(phenyl)methyl]morpholine (7)

IR 2959, 2804, 1451, 1278, 1117 cm⁻¹.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.35-7.28 (4H, m, ArH), 7.27-7.22 (1H, m, ArH), 3.77-3.63 (4H, m, 2 × OCH₂), 2.81-2.64 (2H, m, NCH₂), 2.41-2.30 (2H, m, NCH₂), 2.23 (1H,

d, J = 9.2 Hz, NCH), 1.09-0.94 (1H, m, CHCH₂), 0.80-0.70 (1H, m, CHCH_AH_B), 0.47-0.39 (1H. m, CHCH_AH_B), 0.39-0.30 (1H, m, CHCH_CH_D), 0.06--0.03 (1H, m, CHCH_CH_D).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 143.3 (C), 128.2 (2 × CH), 127.9 (2 × CH), 126.9 (CH), 76.6 (CH), 67.2 (2 × CH₂), 52.4 (2 × CH₂), 15.5 (CH), 8.6 (CH₂), 2.00 (CH₂).

HRMS (Q-TOF) Exact mass calcd for $[C_{14}H_{20}NO]^+$ [M+H]⁺: 218.1539 found: 218.1549.

N-[(3E)-4-Phenylbut-3-en-1-yl]morpholine (8)

IR 2956, 2854, 2806, 1698, 1447, 1271, 1116 cm⁻¹.

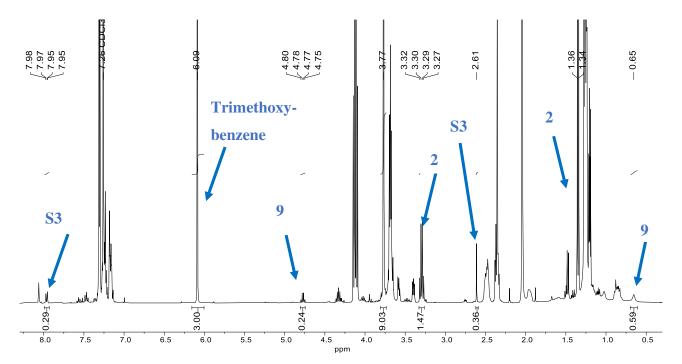
⁸ ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.38-7.28 (4H, m, Ar**H**), 7.24-7.18 (1H, m, Ar**H**), 6.45 (1H, d, J = 15.9 Hz, C**H**), 6.22 (1H, dt, J = 15.9, 6.1 Hz, C**H**CH₂), 3.79-3.71 (4H, m, 2 × OC**H**₂), 2.59-2.48 (6H, m, 3 × NC**H**₂), 2.47-2.39 (2H, m, C=CC**H**₂).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 137.5 (C), 131.1 (CH), 128.5 (2 × CH), 128.0 (CH), 127.0 (CH), 126.0 (2 × CH), 66.9 (2 × CH₂), 58.6 (CH₂), 53.6 (2 × CH₂), 30.3 (CH₂).

HRMS (Q-TOF) Exact mass calcd for $[C_{14}H_{20}NO]^+$ [M+H]⁺: 218.1539 found: 218.1541.

Trapping Experiments with TEMPO

Using a modification of **GP1** using boronic ester **1** (0.116 g, 0.500 mmol) and morpholine (0.15 mL) and TEMPO (7.8 mg, 0.050 mmol), the mixture was heated at 80 °C for 18 h, cooled to RT and filtered through Celite eluting with EtOAc. The filtrate was concentrated and analysed by ¹H NMR using 1,3,5-trimethoxybenzene (0.0441 g, 0.26 mmol) as an internal standard.



Characteristic peaks for (±)-*N*-(1-Phenylethyl)morpholine (2):

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.29 (q, J = 6.7 Hz, 1H), 1.35 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 3H). See earlier for full characterisation data.

Characteristic peaks for 2,2,6,6-tetramethyl-1-(1-phenylethoxy)piperidine (9):

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.78 (q, J = 6.7 Hz, 1H), 0.66 (s, 3H).

HRMS (Q-TOF) Exact mass calcd for $[C_{17}H_{28}NO]^+$ [M+H]⁺: 262.2171 found: 262.2167.

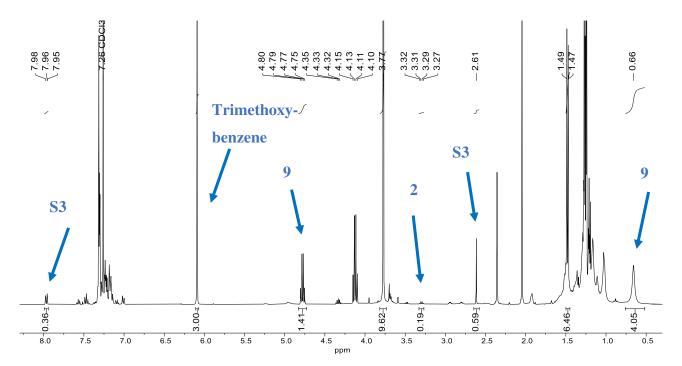
The data was consistent with the literature.³⁷

Characteric peaks for acetophenone (S3):

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.99–7.94 (m, 2H), 2.61 (s, 3H).

The data was consistent with the literature.¹

Using a modification of **GP1** using boronic ester **1** (0.116 g, 0.500 mmol) and morpholine (0.15 mL) and TEMPO (7.8 mg, 0.050 mmol), the mixture was heated at 80 °C for 18 h, cooled to RT and filtered through Celite eluting with EtOAc. The filtrate was concentrated and analysed by ¹H NMR using 1,3,5-trimethoxybenzene (0.0441 g, 0.26 mmol) as an internal standard.



Characteristic peaks for (\pm) -N-(1-Phenylethyl)morpholine (2):

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.30 (q, J = 6.7 Hz, 1H). See earlier for full characterisation data.

Characteristic peaks for 2,2,6,6-tetramethyl-1-(1-phenylethoxy)piperidine (9):

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.78 (q, J = 6.7 Hz, 1H), 0.66 (s, 3H).

HRMS (Q-TOF) Exact mass calcd for $[C_{17}H_{28}NO]^+$ [M+H]⁺: 262.2171 found: 262.2170.

The data was consistent with the literature.³⁷

Characteric peaks for acetophenone (S3):

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.99–7.94 (m, 2H), 2.61 (s, 3H).

The data was consistent with the literature.¹

NMR studies: Boronic ester 1 in the presence of morpholine

An NMR tube was charged with 1 (34.8 g, 0.150 mmol) dissolved in CD₃CN (0.7 mL) and 1 H NMR and 11 B NMR spectra were recorded. Morpholine (53 μ L, 0.60 mmol) was added by microsyringe and 1 H NMR and 11 B NMR spectra were recorded after homogenization.

^{B(pin)} ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CD₃CN)
$$\delta$$
 7.29-7.10 (5H, m, Ar**H**), 2.38 (1H, q, J = 7.6 Hz, C**H**), 1.27 (3H, d, J = 7.6 Hz, CHC**H**₃), 1.19 (6H, s, 2 × CC**H**₃), 1.18 (6H, s, 2 × CC**H**₃).

1 ¹¹**B NMR** (128 MHz, CD₃CN) δ 33.6.

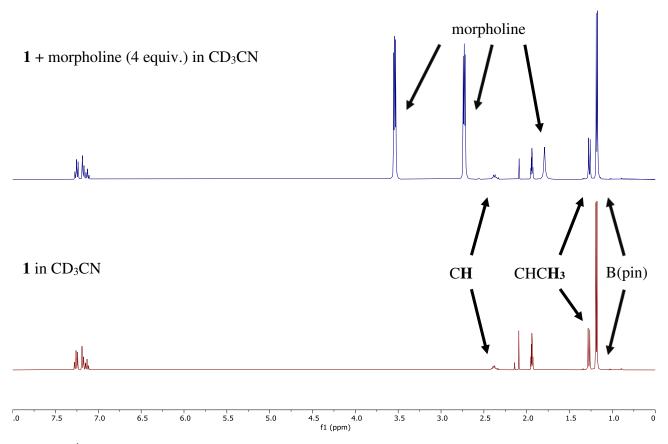


Figure S1: ¹H NMR spectra of boronic ester 1 in CD₃CN the absence and presence of morpholine.

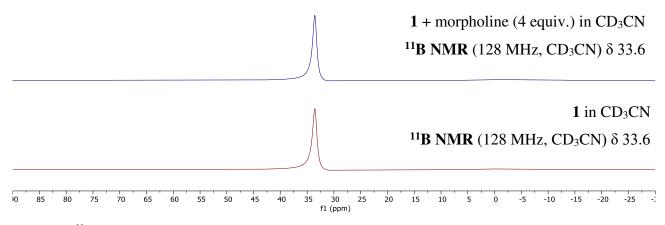


Figure S2: ¹¹B NMR spectra of boronic ester 1 in CD₃CN in the absence and presence of morpholine.

NMR studies: Boronic ester 1 in the presence of IPA and morpholine

An NMR tube was charged with a solution of boronicester 1 (0.023 g, 0.10 mmol) in 0.5 mL CD₃CN and an 11 B NMR spectrum was recorded. Isopropanol (0.5 mL) was added, and an 11 B NMR spectrum was recorded after homogenization. Morpholine (44 μ L, 0.50 mmol,) was added, and an 11 B NMR spectrum was recorded after homogenization.

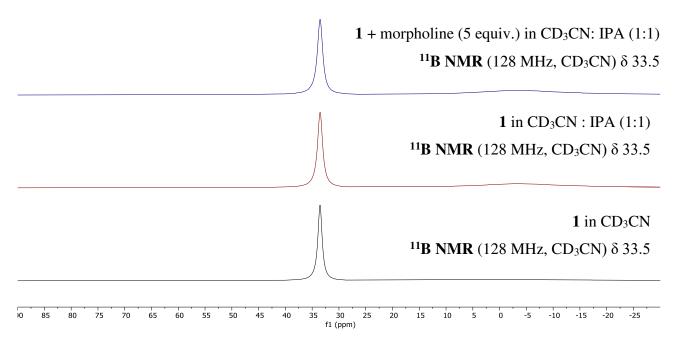


Figure S3: ¹¹B NMR spectra of 1 in in CD₃CN in the absence and presence of IPA, and IPA and morpholine.

Cyclic Voltametry Studies

All cyclic voltammetric measurements were performed at room temperature, using an Autolab® PGSTAT100 potentiostat in a conventional three-electrode cell configuration with a glassy carbon (GC) as working electrode (3 mm diameter), a platinum electrode (2 mm diameter) as counter electrode and Ag/AgCl (KCl 3M) as reference. The cell was purged with N₂ for 10 min before each measurement, and the GC working electrode was polished with alumina before each experiment. Redox potentials were calculated against the Fc⁺/Fc⁰ couple as an internal reference. (Ferrocene was added in the last experiment of a series, or separately just after an experiment. It was considered that in this period of time, the reference electrode's composition would not change and would be kept constant.) All the experiments were carried out at 100 mV/s.

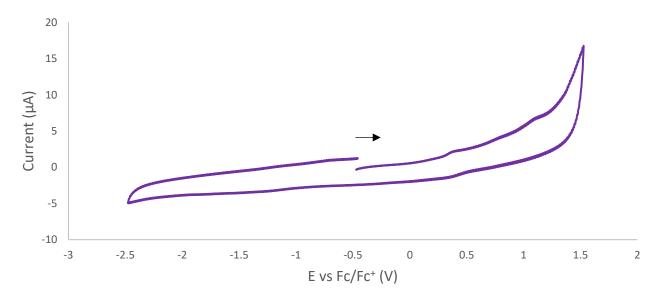


Figure S4. CV trace for MeCN (*n*Bu₄NPF₆ 0.1 M), 100 mV/s.

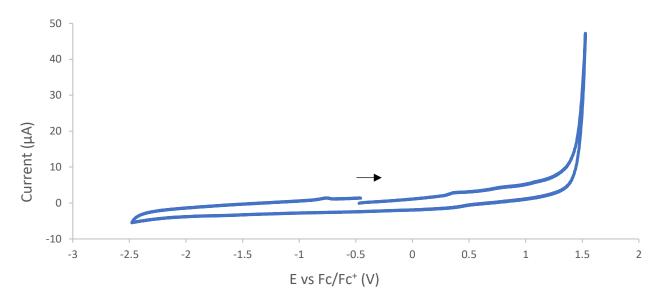


Figure S5. CV trace for boronic ester 1 (3 mM) in MeCN (nBu₄NPF₆ 0.1 M), 100 mV/s.

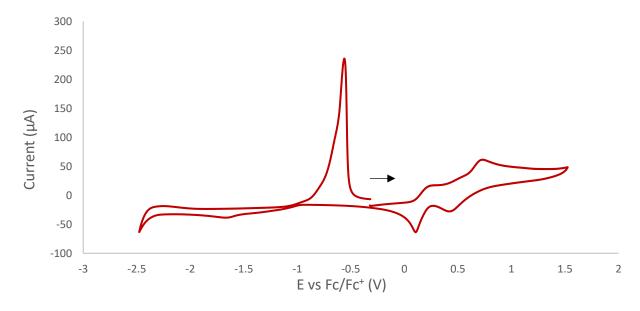


Figure S6. CV trace for CuBr₂ (3 mM) in MeCN (nBu₄NPF₆ 0.1 M), 100 mV/s.

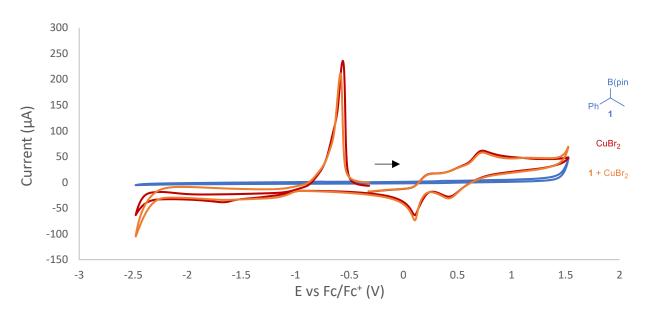


Figure S7. Individual traces of boronic ester **1** (3 mM), CuBr₂ (3 mM) and a mixture 1:1 of both (3 mM each) in MeCN (*n*Bu₄NPF₆ 0.1 M), 100 mV/s.

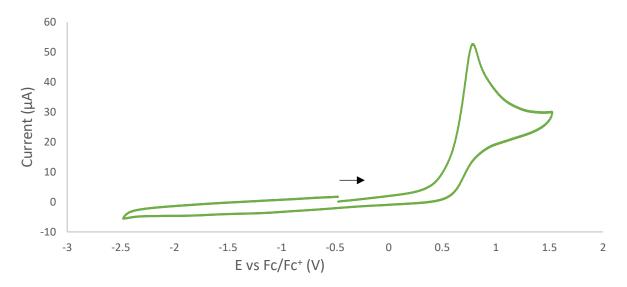


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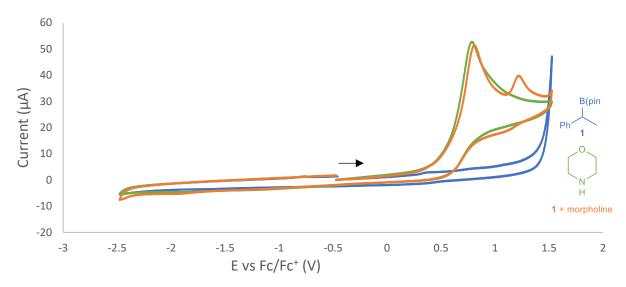


Figure S9. Individual traces of boronic ester **1** (3 mM), morpholine (3 mM) and a mixture 1:1 (3 mM each) in MeCN (*n*Bu₄NPF₆ 0.1 M), 100 mV/s.

3.12. EPR Experiments

EPR Methods:

All EPR samples were prepared aerobically in 1:1 toluene/isopropyl alcohol solvent mixture. For the spin-trapping EPR experiments, the concentrations of the individual reactants in the reaction mixture were: boronic ester 1 (300 mM), CuBr₂ (30 mM), morpholine (1050 mM) and 5,5-dimethyl-1-pyrroline N-oxide (DMPO; 400 mM). Samples were loaded into a 1.3 mm outer diameter/1 mm inner diameter glass capillary EPR tubes (sample $^{\sim}$ 40 mm in height) and inserted into a 4 mm outer diameter/3 mm inner diameter quartz tube (Wilmad LabGlass). The position of the sample inside the active-resonator was optimised by measuring a TEMPO standard. Spectra were measured on a Bruker EMXmicro EPR spectrometer equipped with a Bruker ER 4112SHQ X-band resonator, with a ER4131VT variable temperature unit. The optimum spectrometer conditions were: microwave power 23 dB (1 mW), modulation amplitude 0.5 G, time constant 82 ms, conversion time 1 ms, sweep time 30 s, receiver gain 30 dB. The average microwave frequency was 9.462 GHz. All EPR spectra were measured as a fluid solution at 80 $^{\circ}$ C. Analysis of the spectra and simulations were performed using the EasySpin toolbox (5.2.35) for the Matlab program package. The extracted spin-Hamiltonian parameters are consistent with previously reported values for DMPO-amine and DMPO-R adducts.

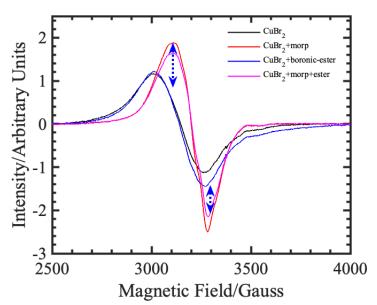


Figure S10: cw-EPR spectra of CuBr₂ in the absence (black trace) and presence of boronic ester **1** (blue trace) or morpholine (red trace), or both (magenta trace) measured at 80° C. The shift in the spectra in the presence of morpholine shows that the latter is interacting with the Cu(II). Experimental conditions as described in the EPR methods section.

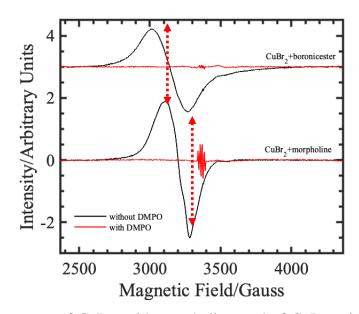


Figure S11: cw-EPR spectra of CuBr₂ with morpholine, and of CuBr₂ with boronic-ester, in the absence (black traces) and presence (red traces) of DMPO, measured at 80° C. The disappearance of the Cu(II) signals could imply that Cu(II) gets reduced to EPR-silent Cu(I). However, it was noted that Cu(II) signal was regenerated slowly during the catalysis reaction. Experimental conditions as described in the EPR methods section.

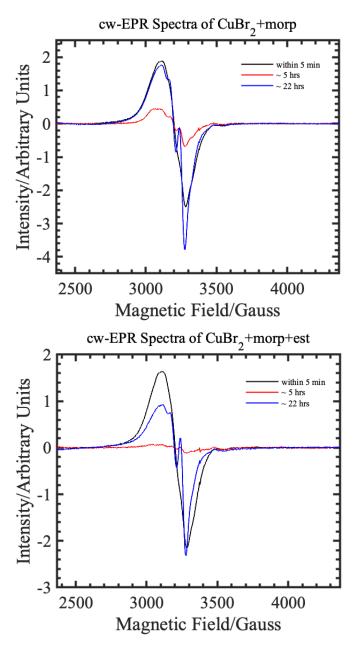


Figure S12: cw-EPR spectra of CuBr₂ with morpholine (top panel), and of CuBr₂ with morpholine and boronic-ester (bottom panel), in the absence of DMPO, measured at 80° C. The disappearance of the Cu(II) signals could imply that Cu(II) gets reduced to EPR-silent Cu(I) (red traces). However, these signals were regenerated slowly during the catalysis reaction (blue traces). Experimental conditions as described in the EPR methods section.

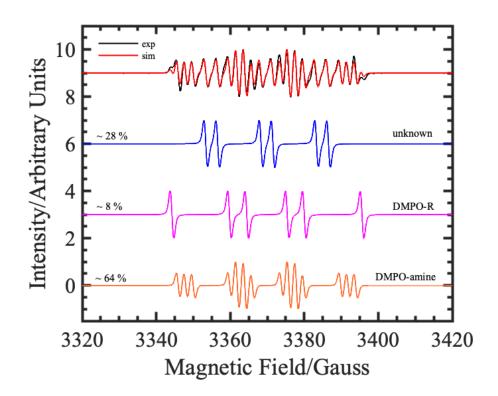
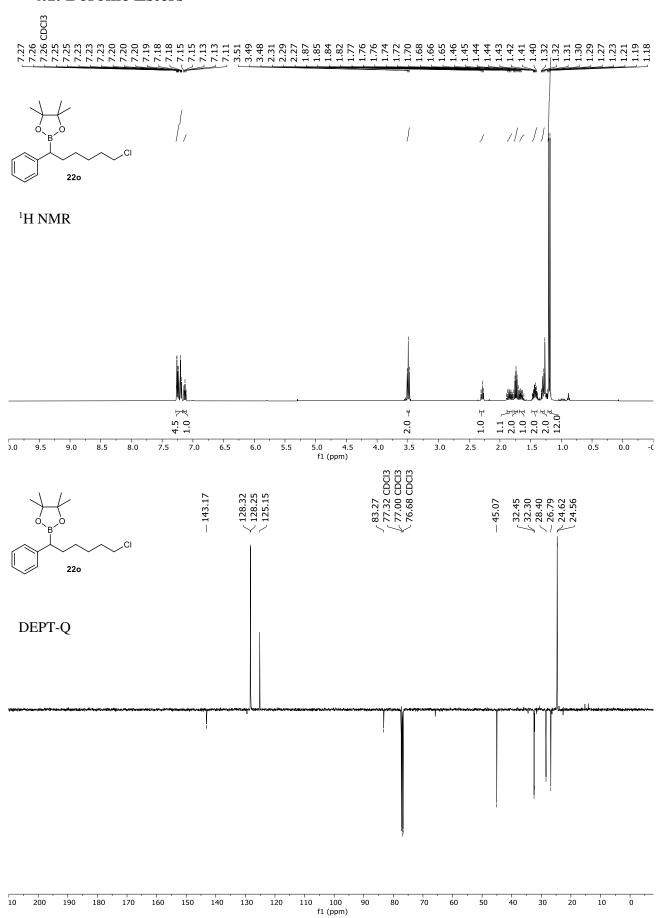
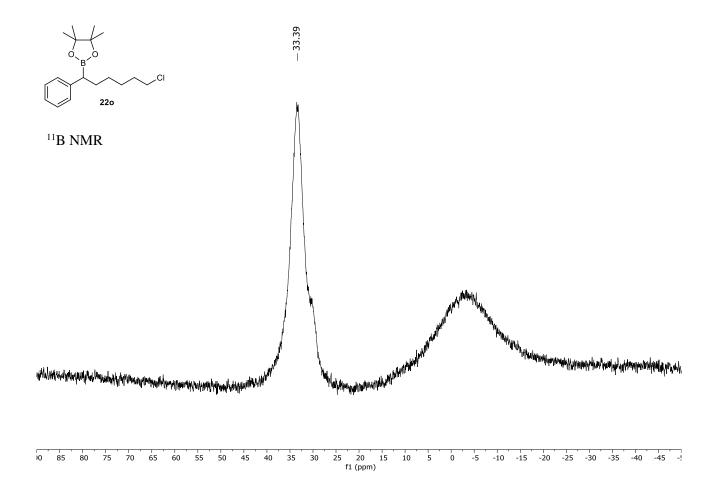


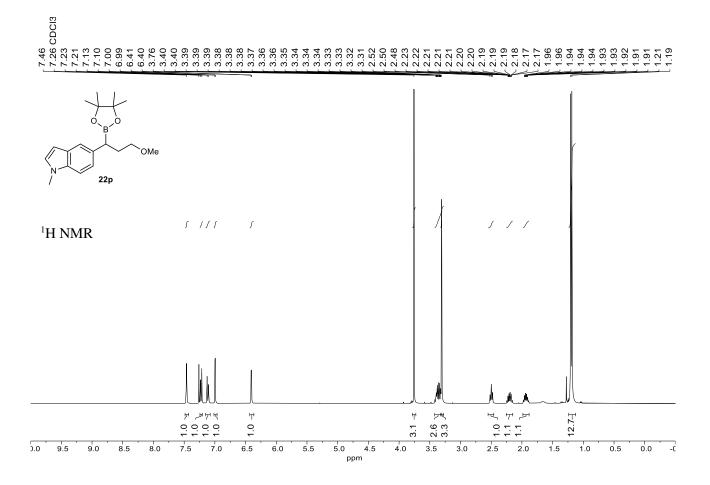
Figure S13: Experimental (black) and simulated (red) cw-EPR spectra of the CuBr₂, morpholine and boronic ester mixture with DMPO, measured at 80° C. It was necessary to include three DMPO-adducts to reproduce the experimental spectra (see main text for more details). The spin-Hamiltonian parameters used were (relative weights are given in the figure): DMPO-amine - $g_{iso} = 2.0059$, $a_{iso}(^{14}N) = 39.1$ MHz, $a_{iso}(^{1}H) = 45.0$ MHz and $a_{iso}(^{14}N) = 5.7$ MHz; DMPO-R - $g_{iso} = 2.0058$, $a_{iso}(^{14}N) = 43.7$ MHz and $a_{iso}(^{1}H) = 56.7$ MHz; DMPO-unknown - $g_{iso} = 2.0059$, $a_{iso}(^{14}N) = 41.8$ MHz and $a_{iso}(^{1}H) = 9.1$ MHz. Experimental conditions as described in the EPR methods section.

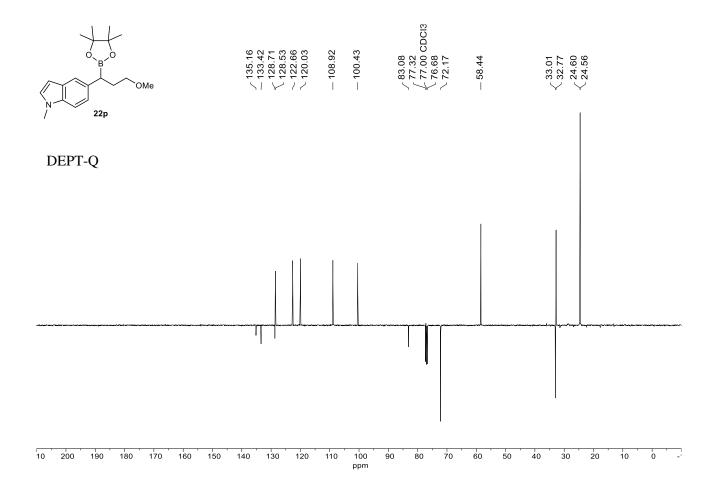
4. NMR Spectra

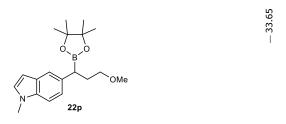
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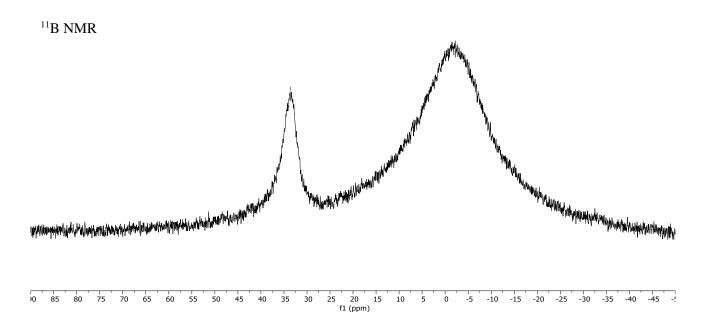


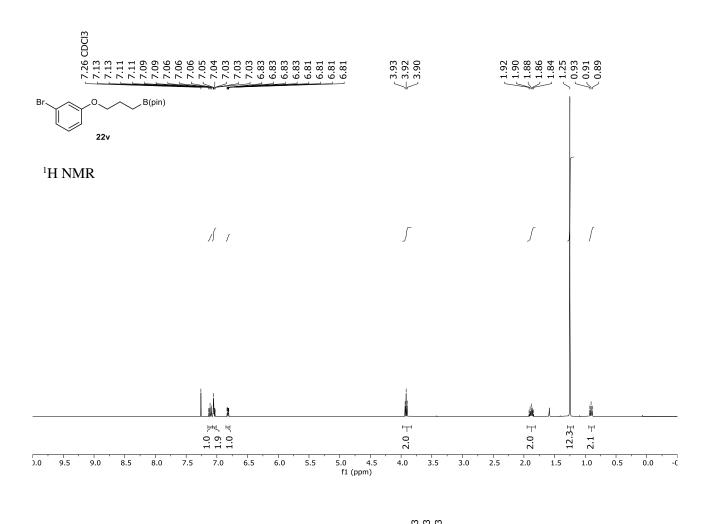


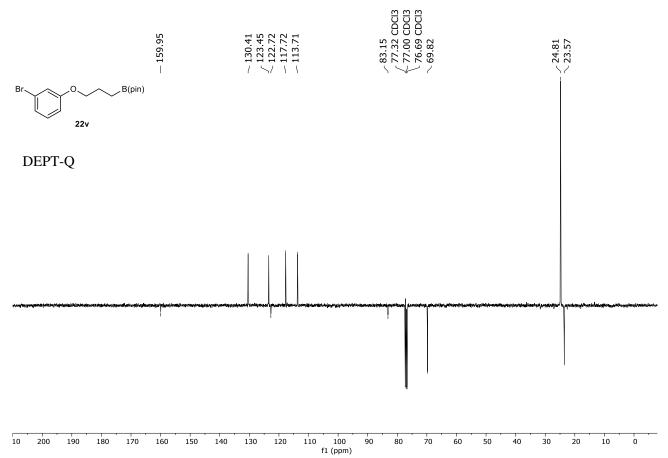


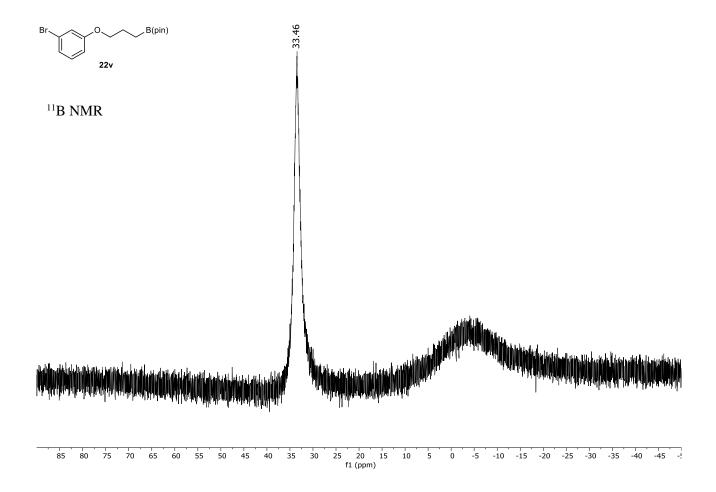


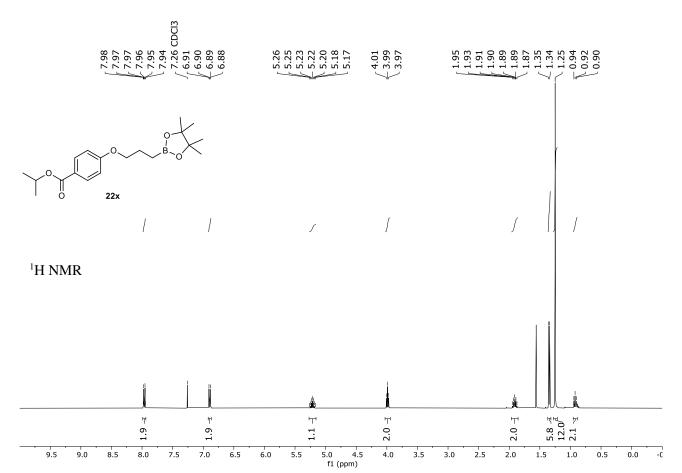


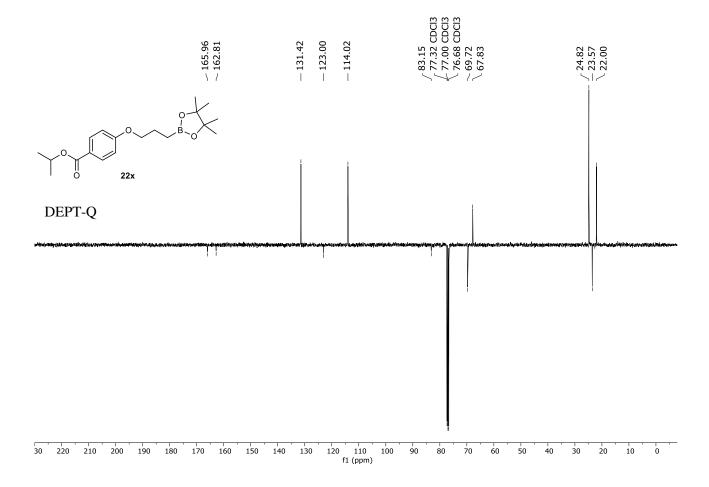


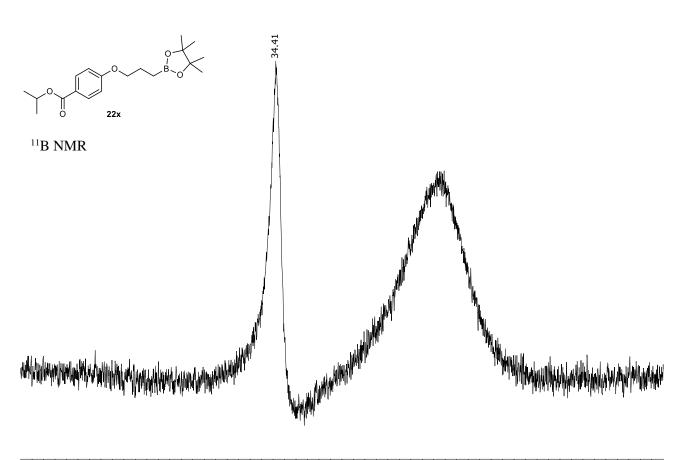




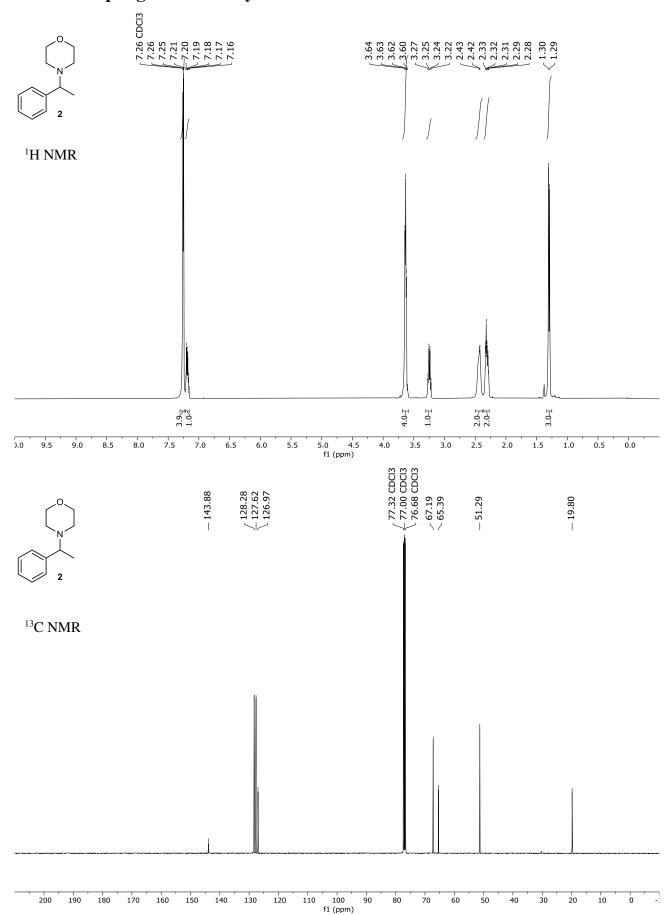


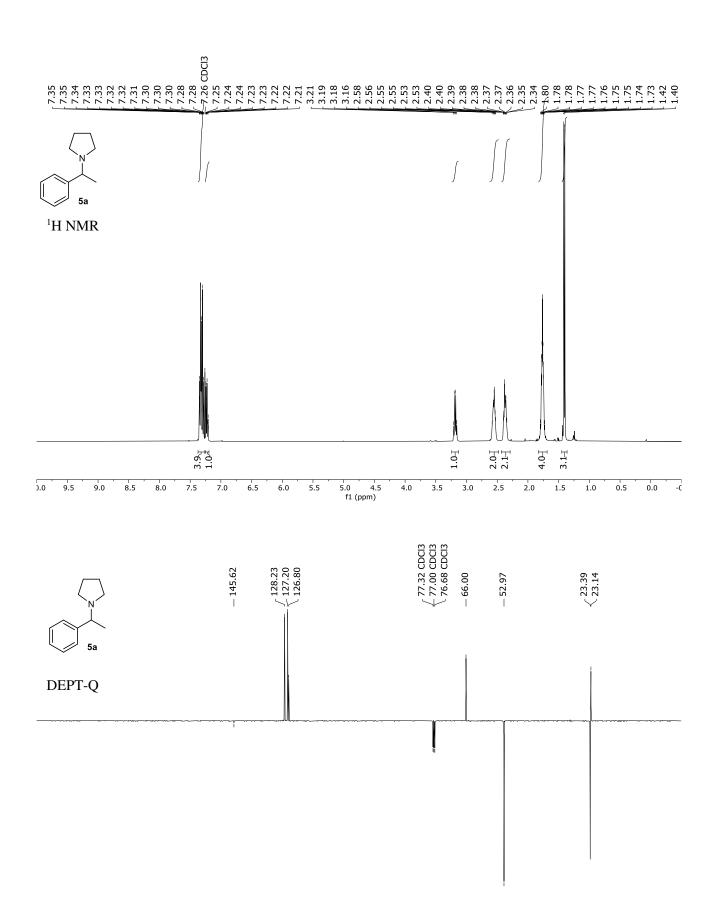


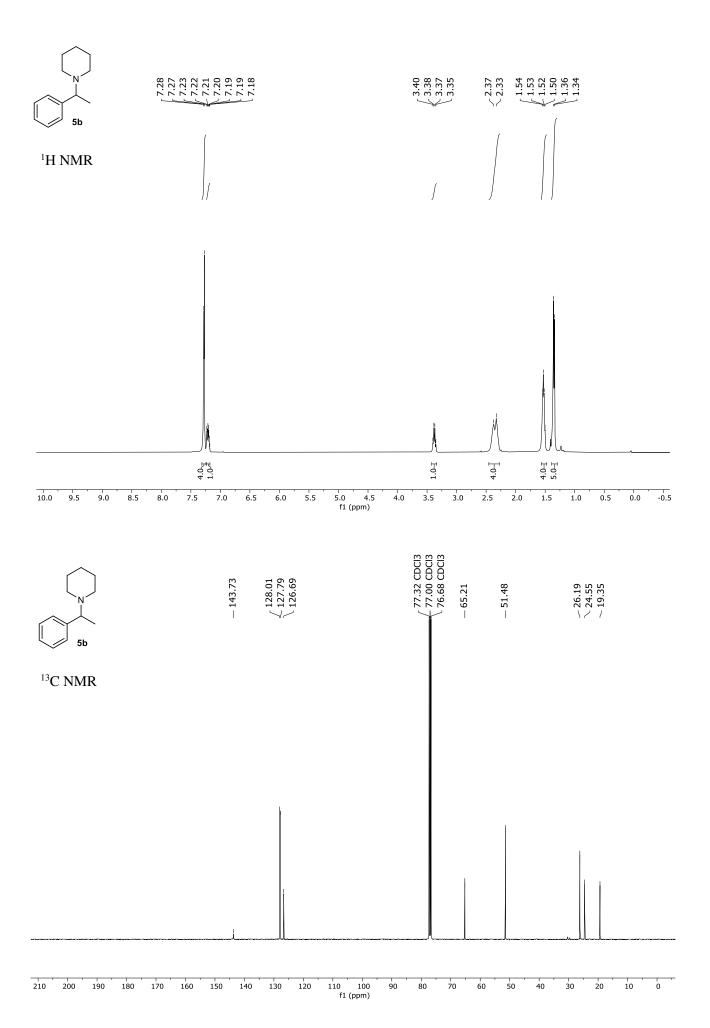


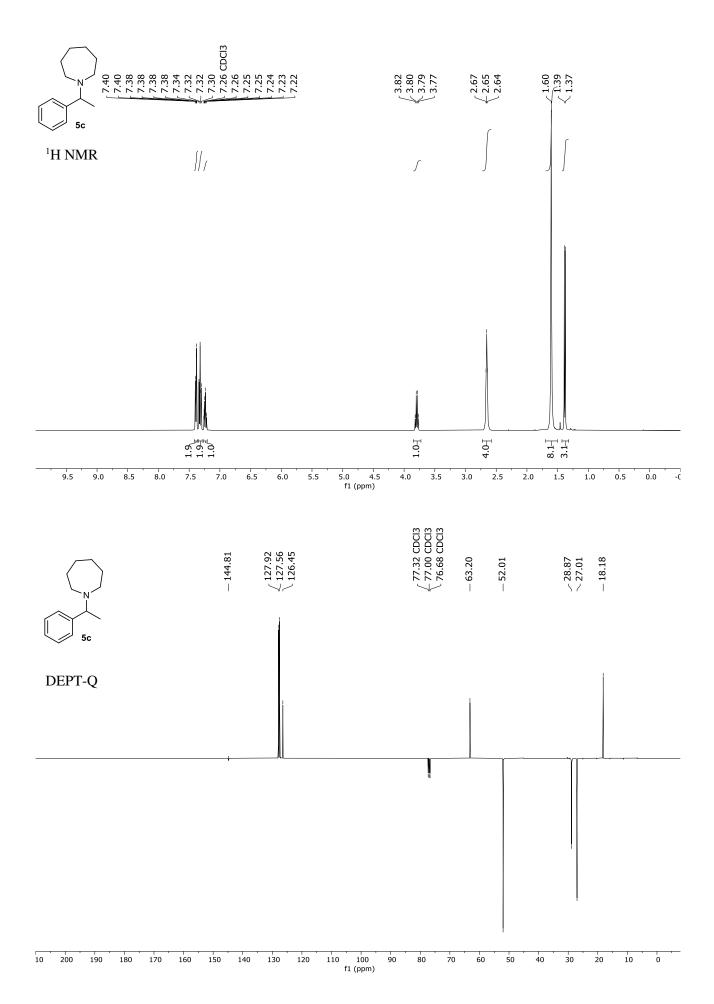


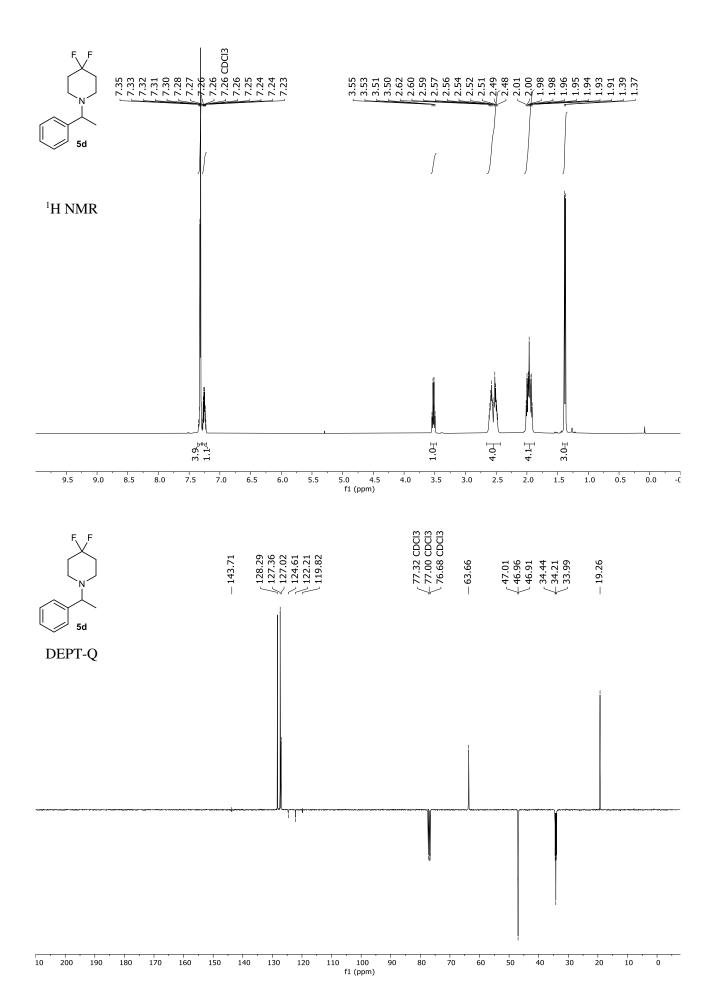
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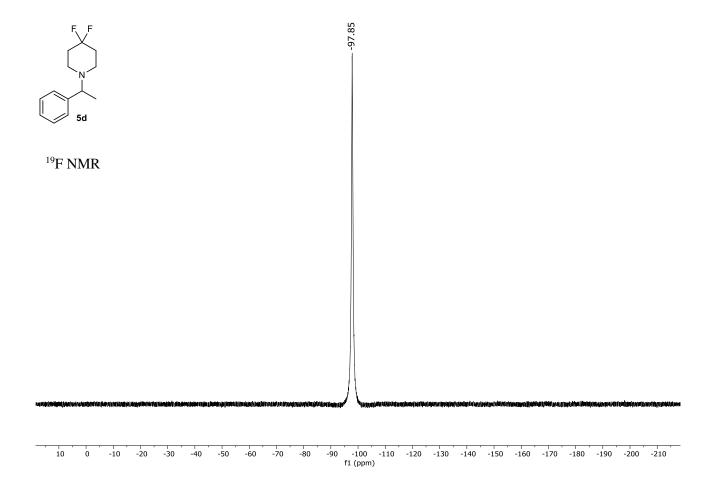


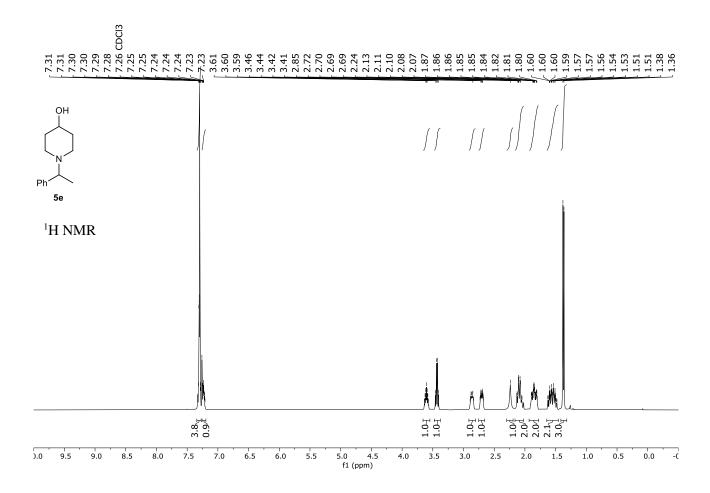


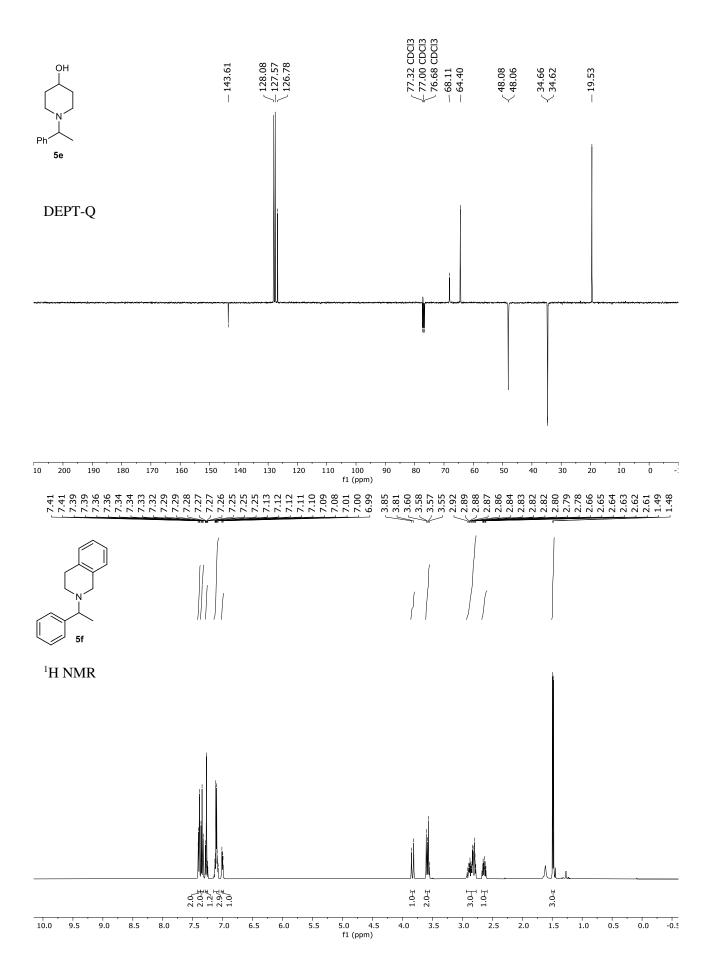
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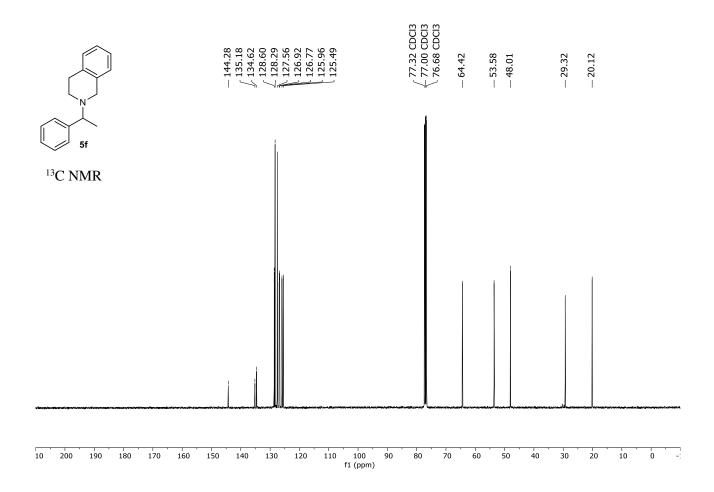


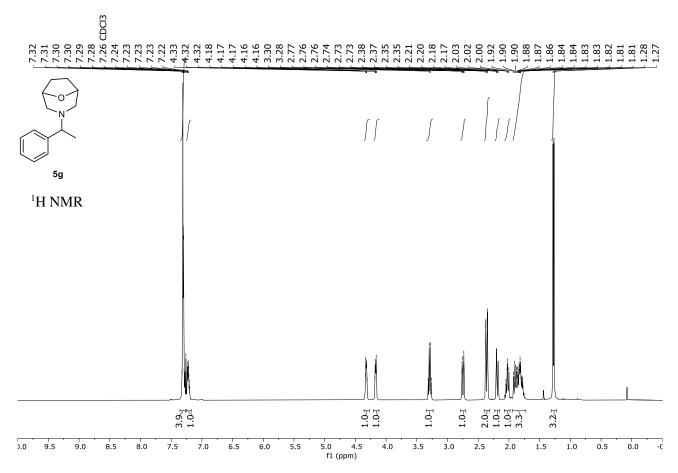


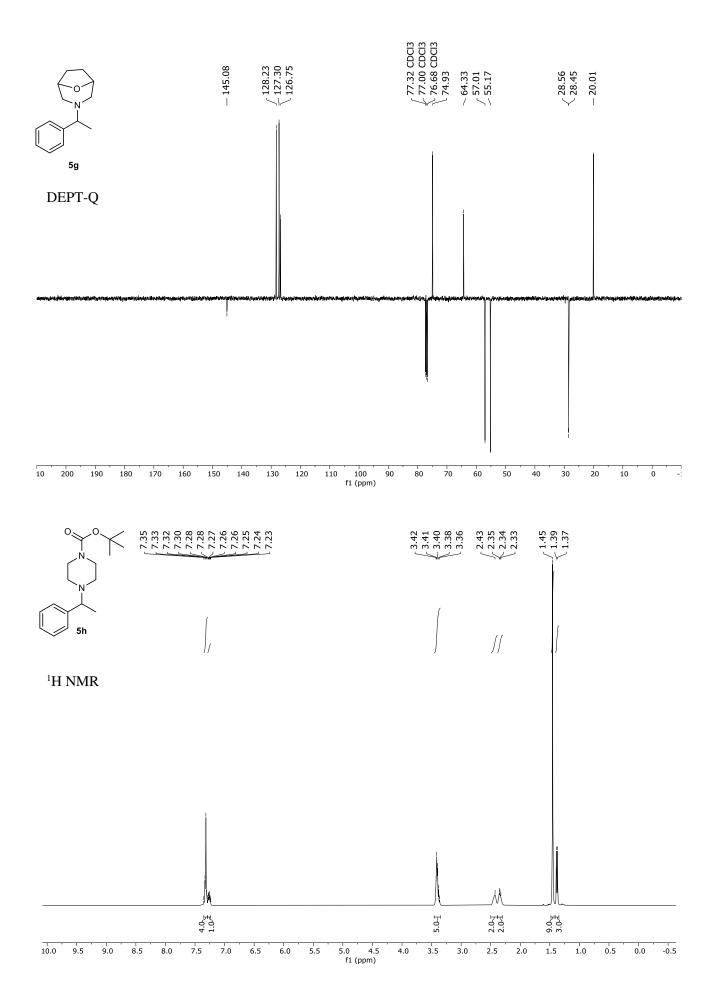


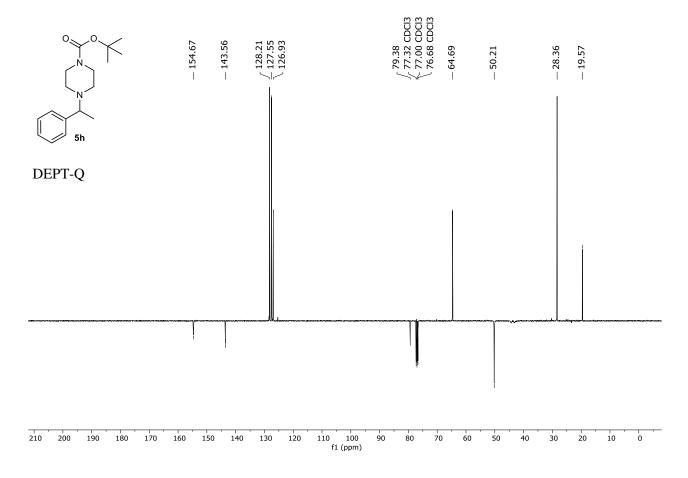


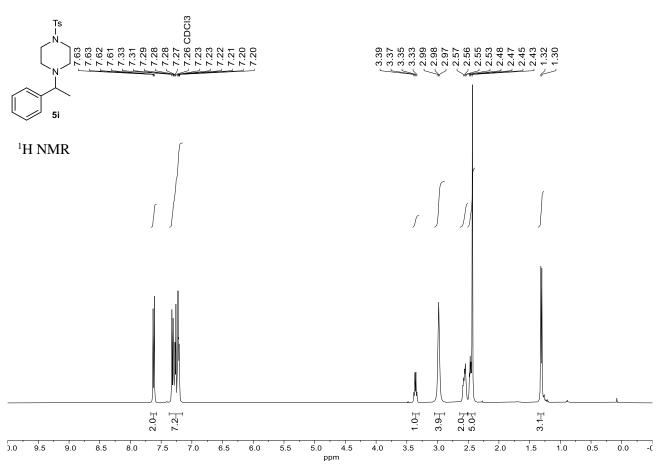


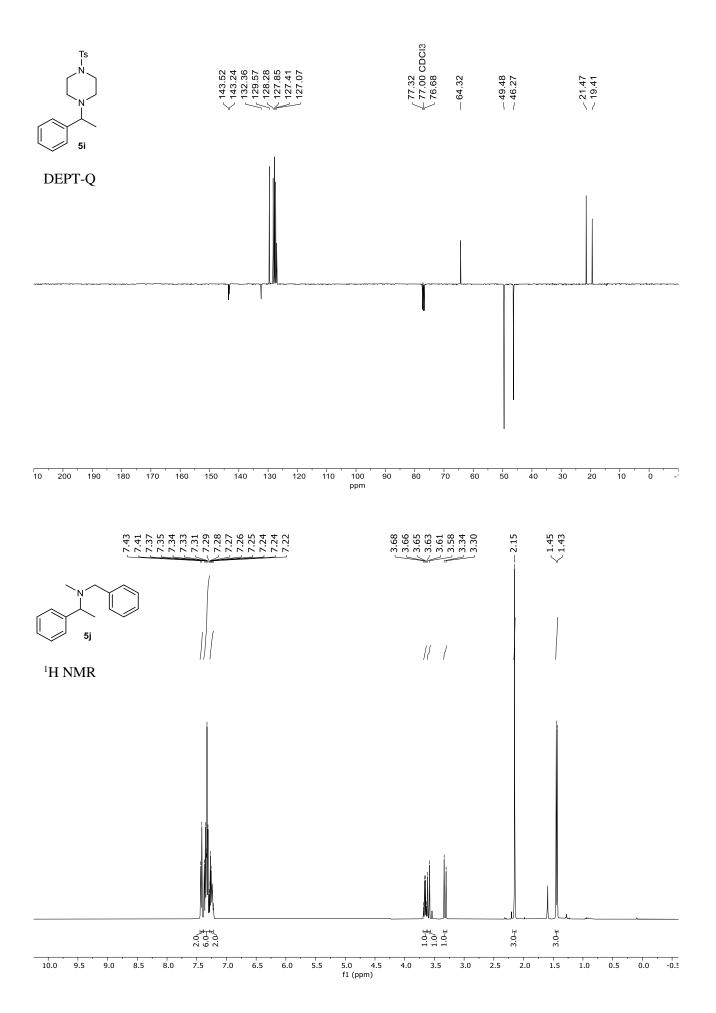


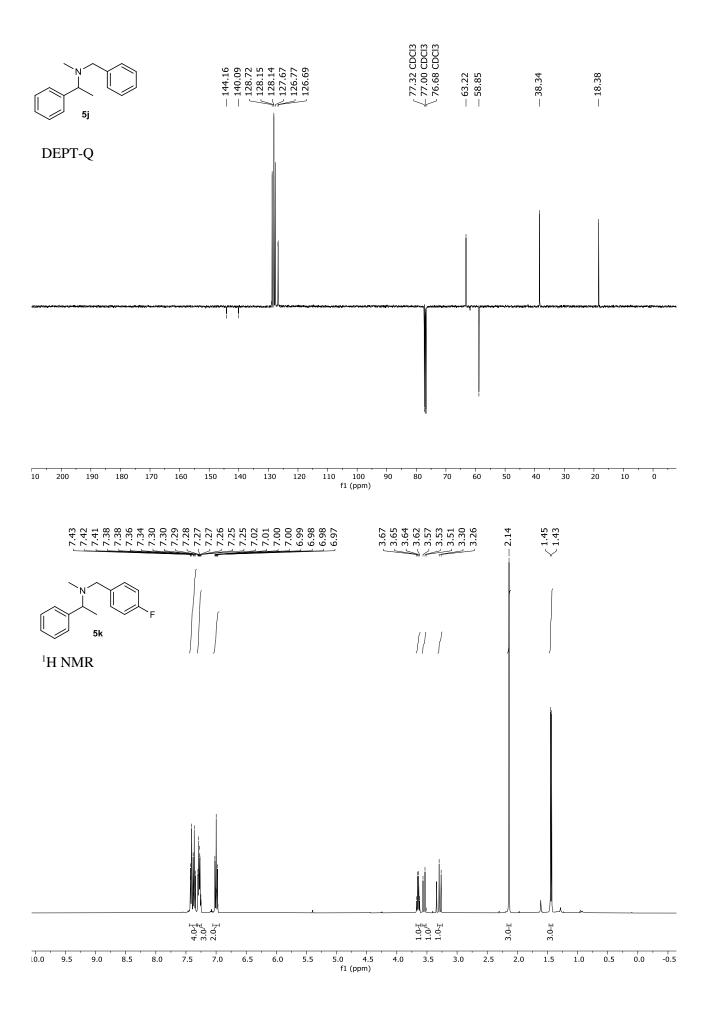


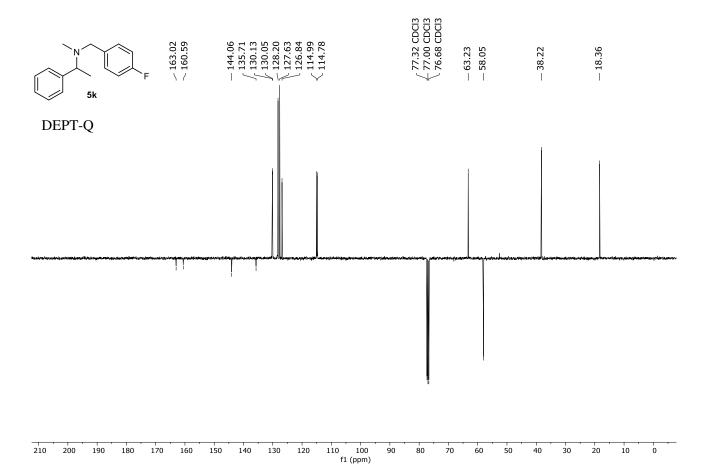


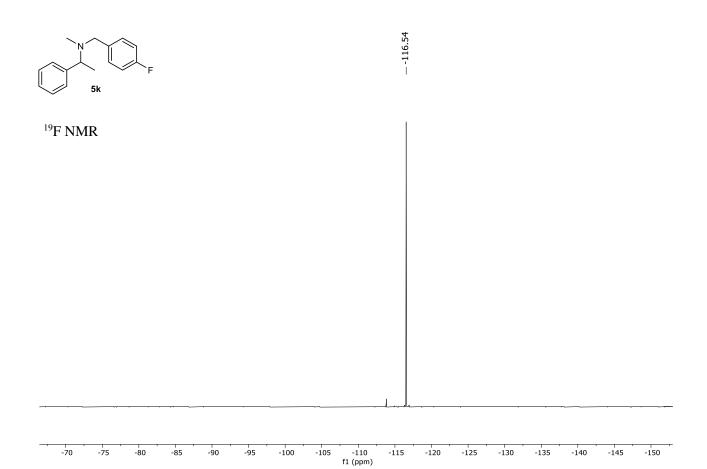


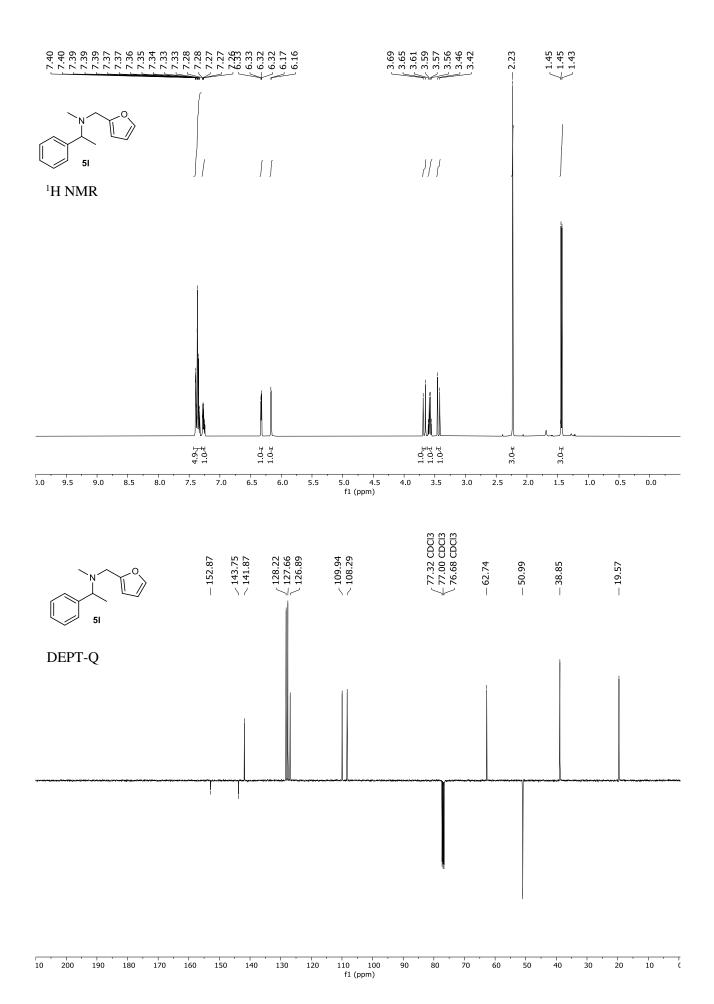


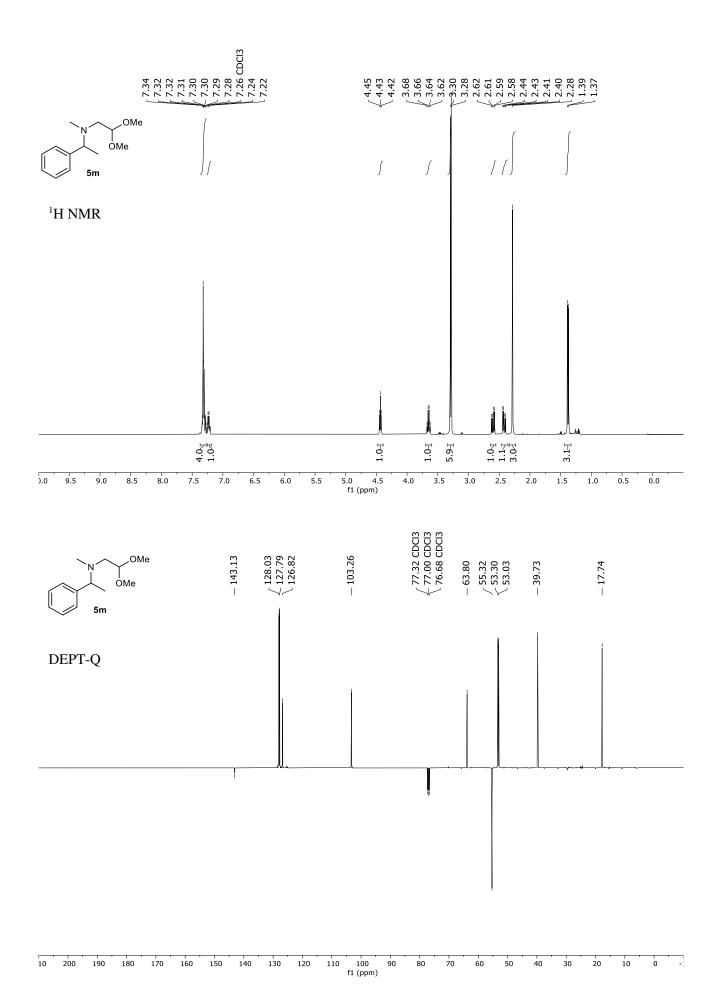


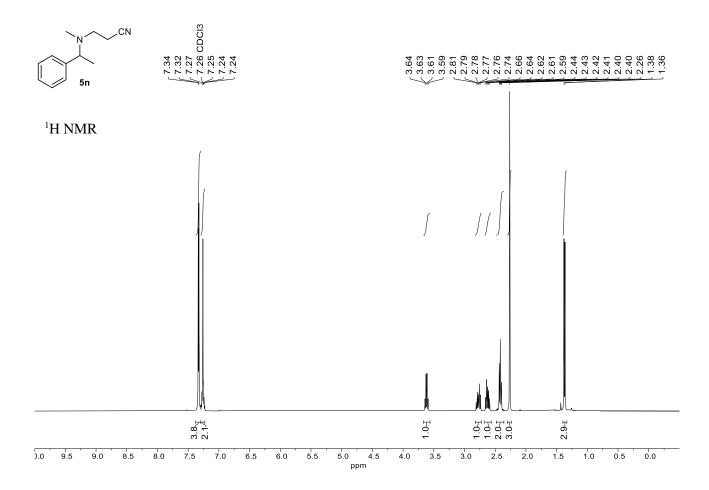


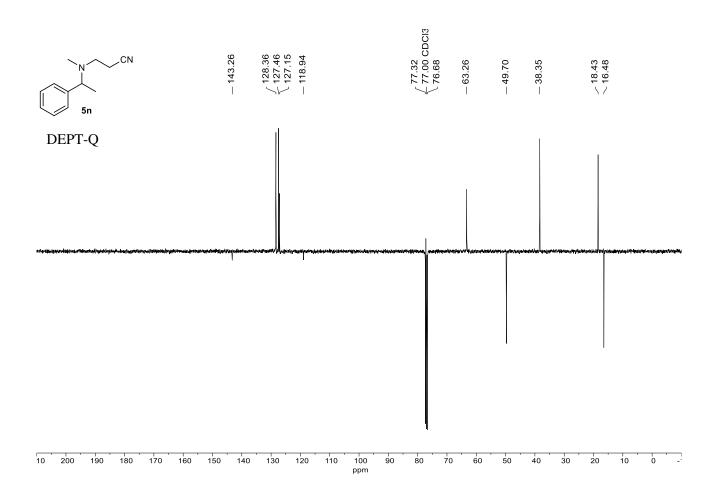




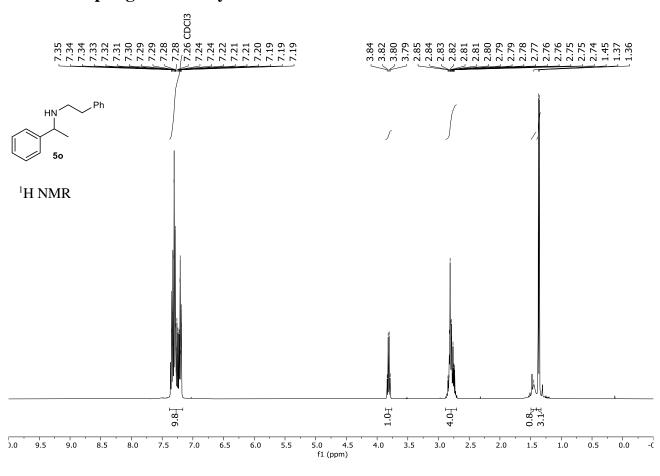


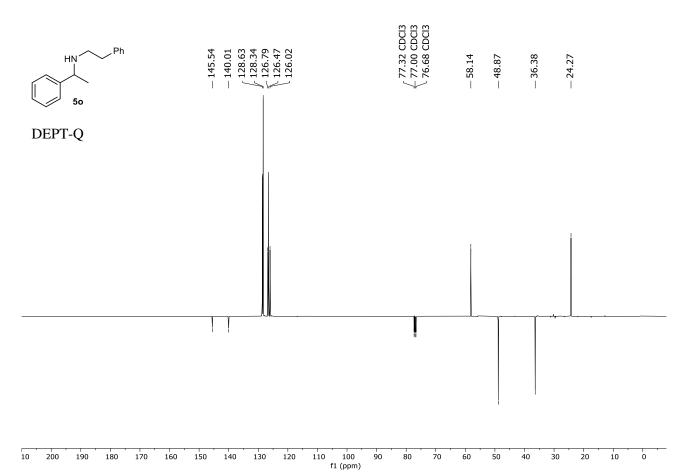


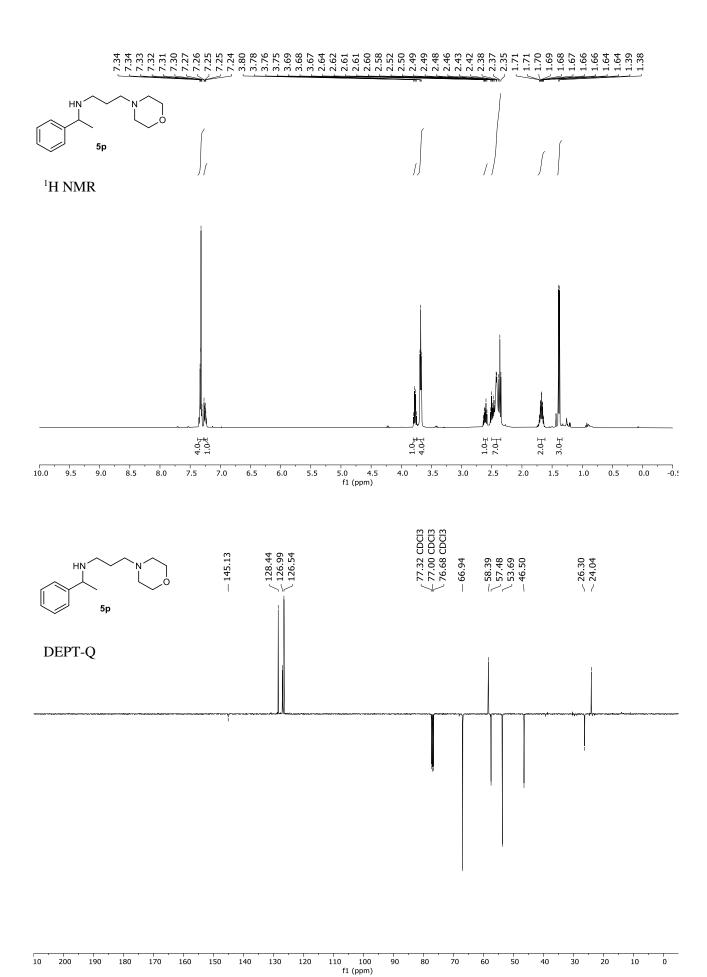


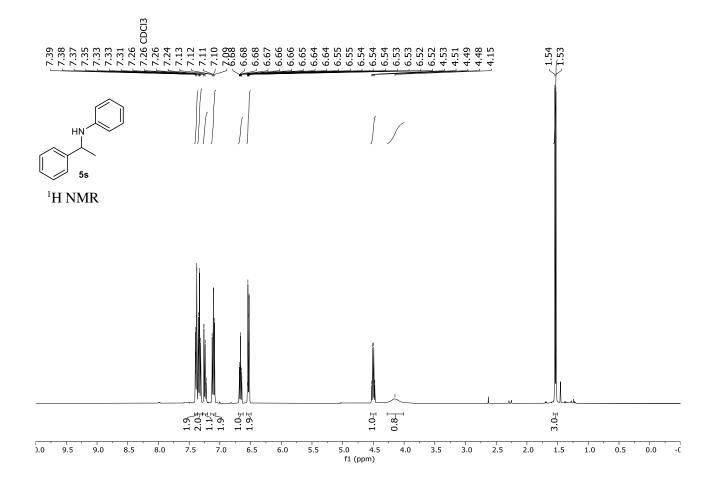


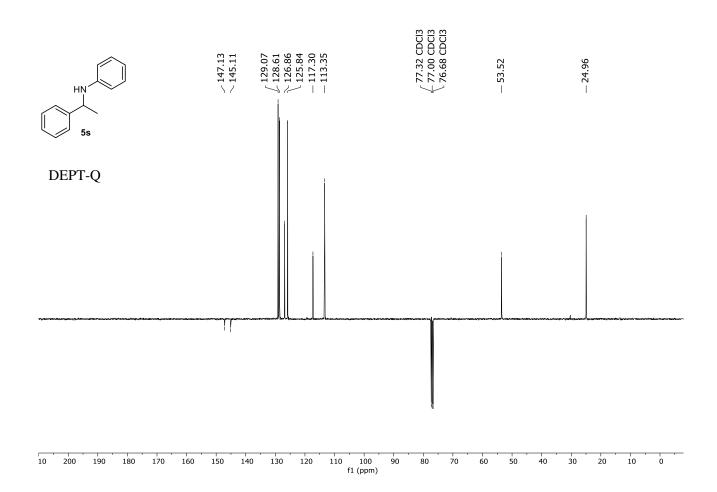
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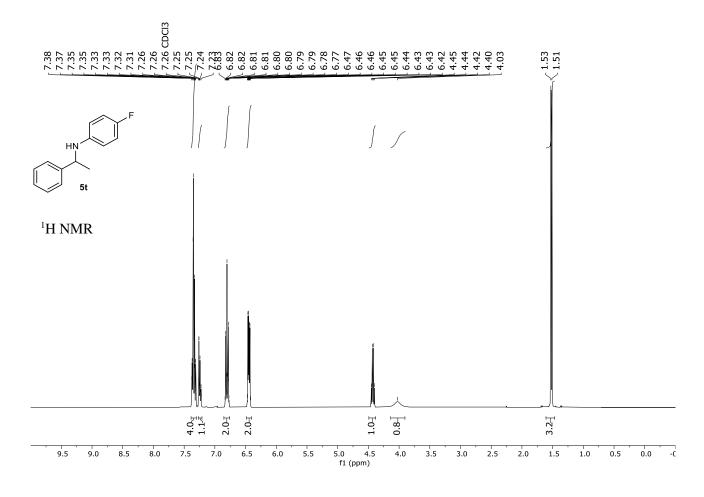


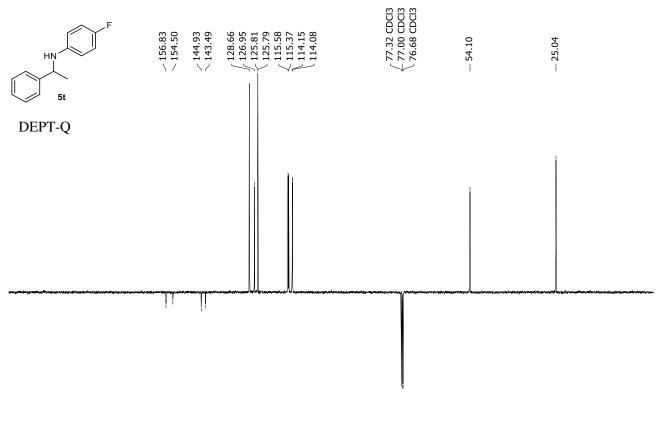


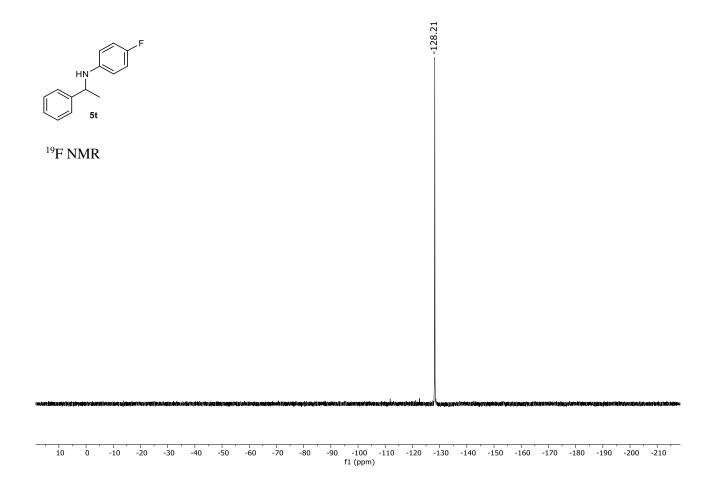


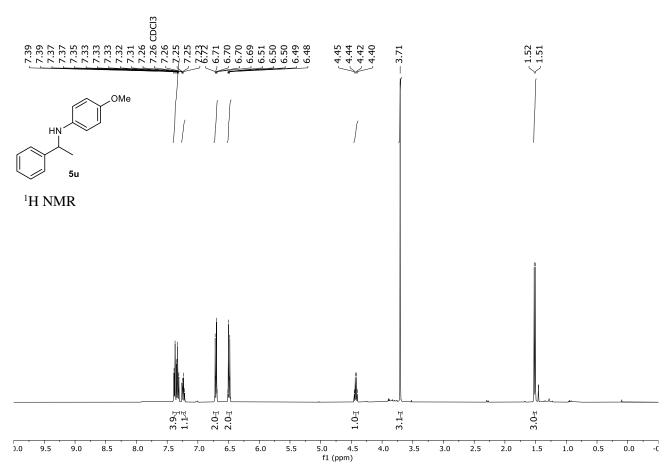


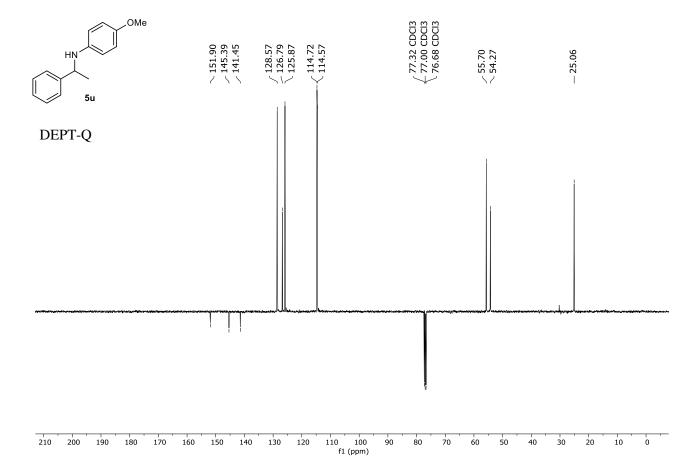




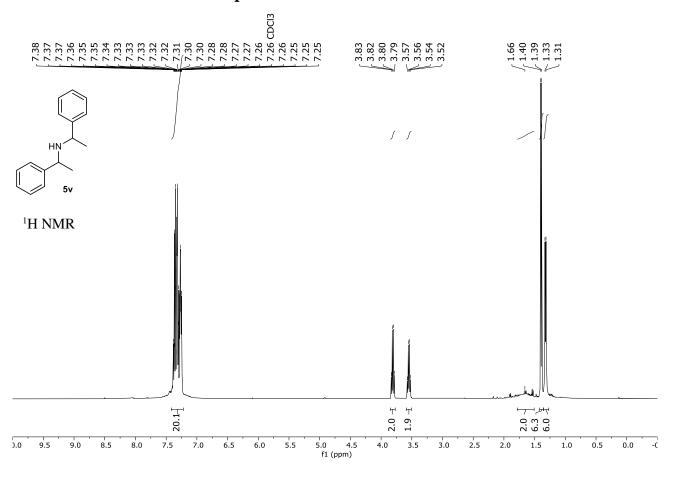


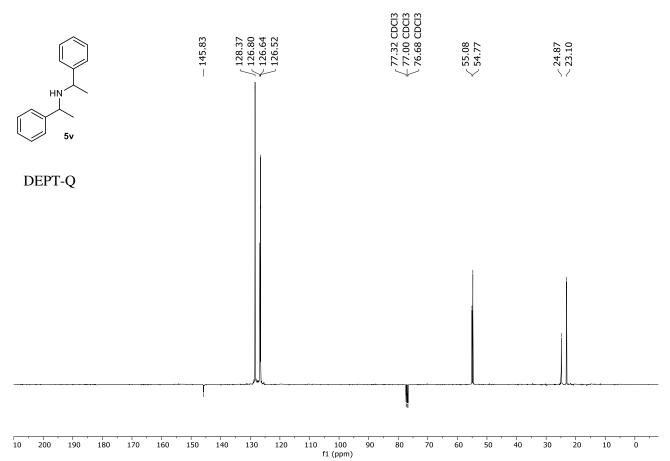


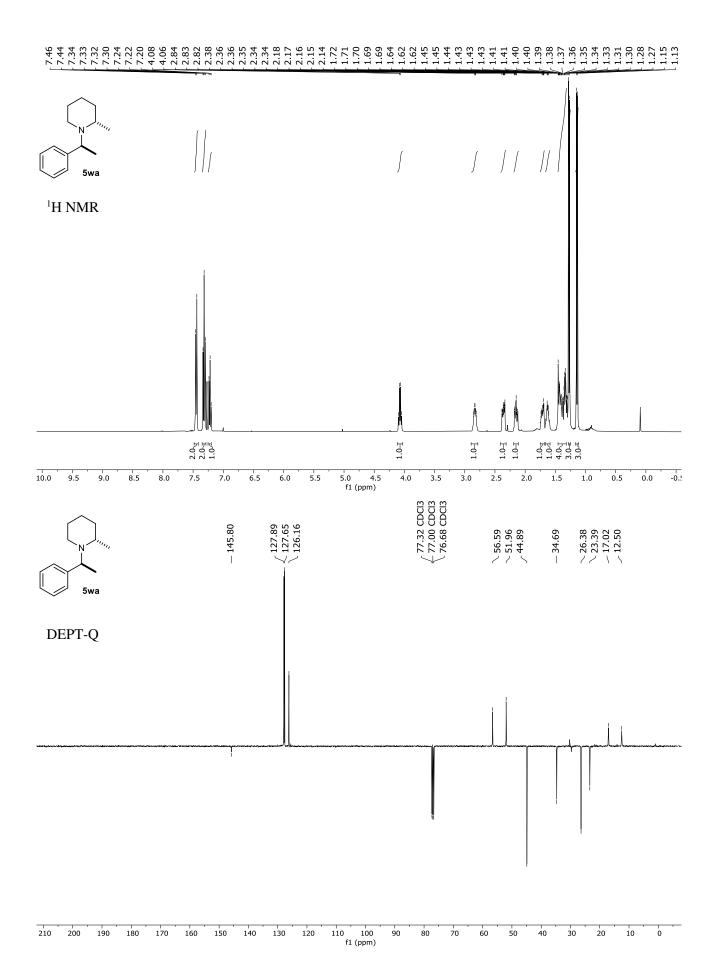




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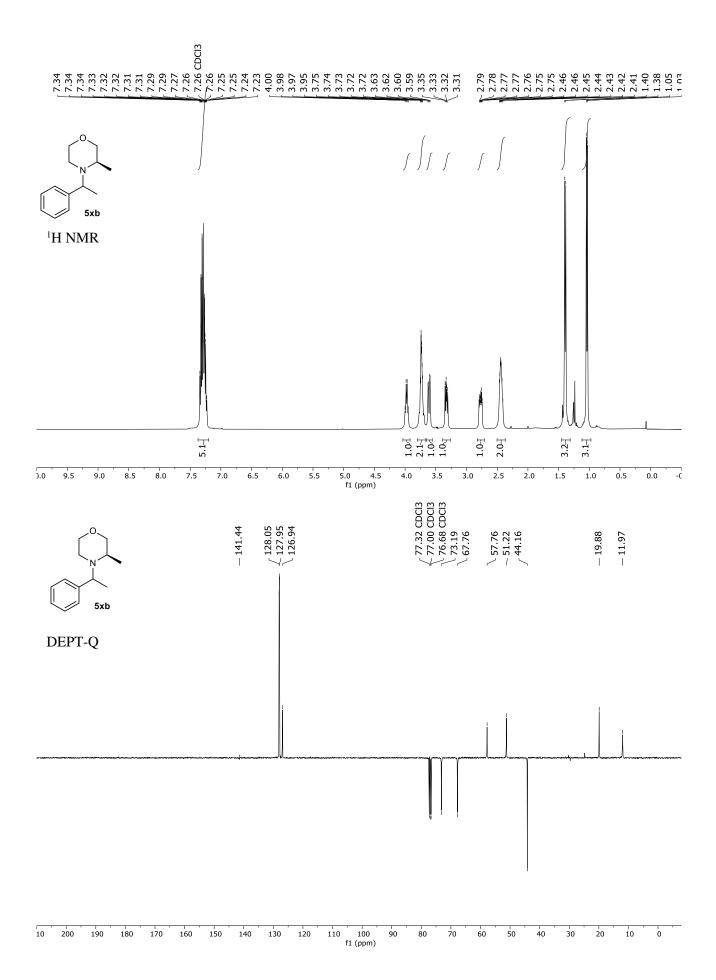
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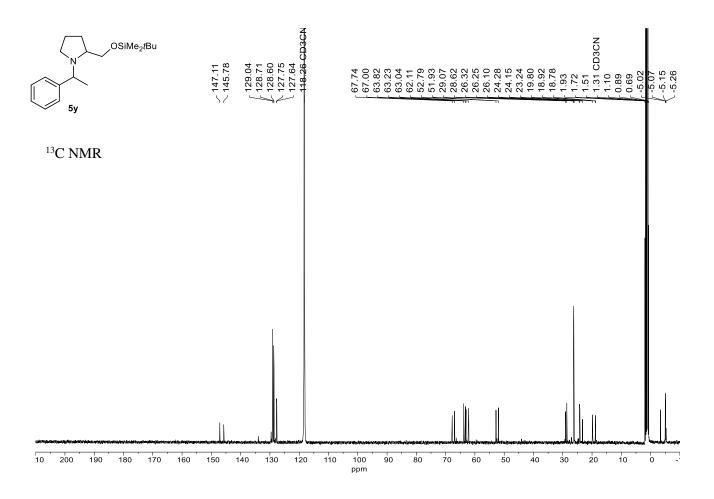
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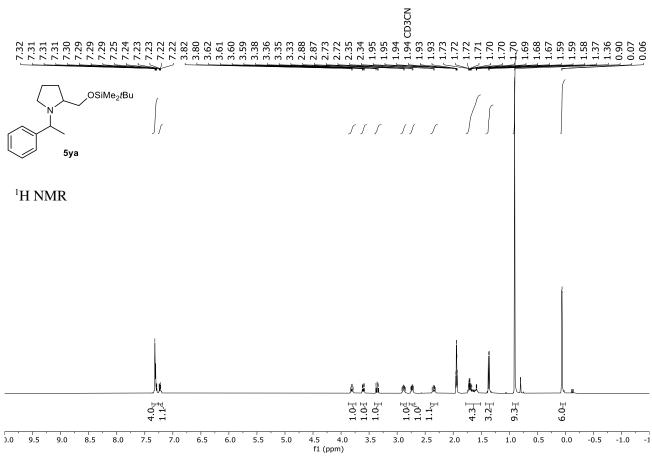
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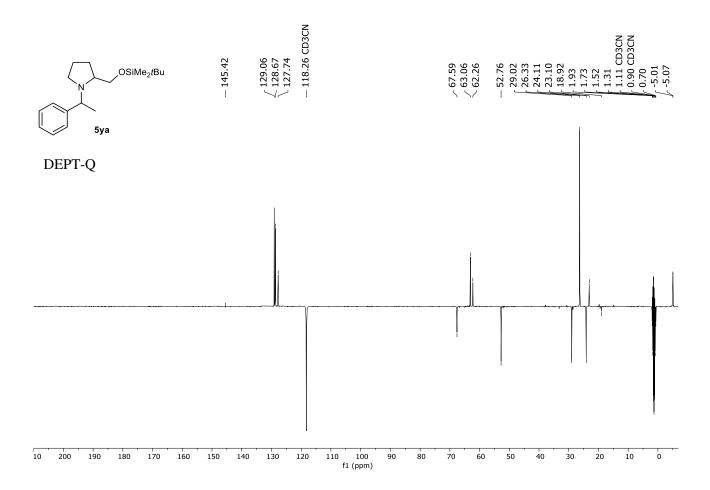
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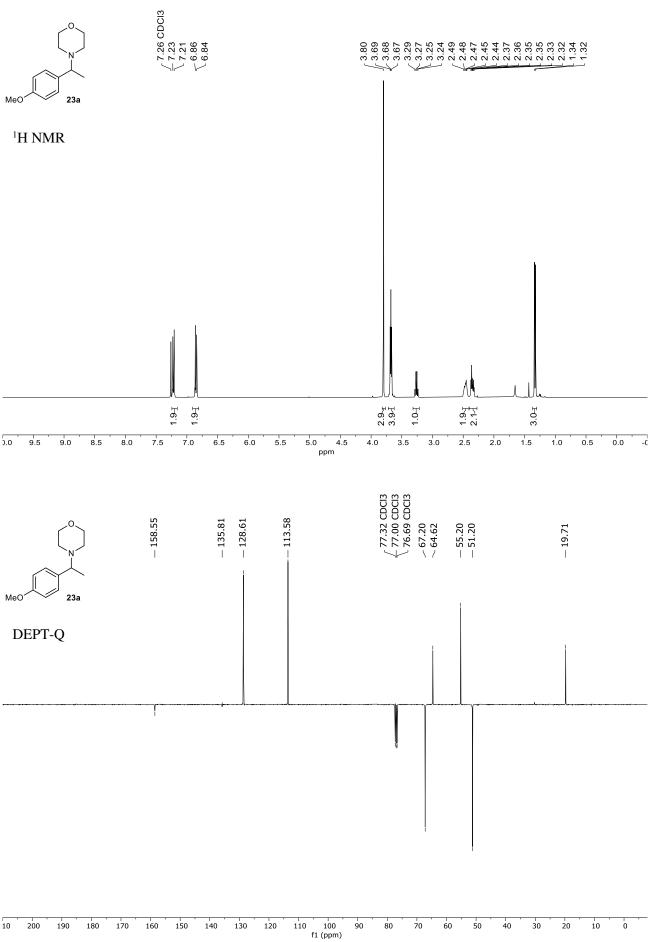


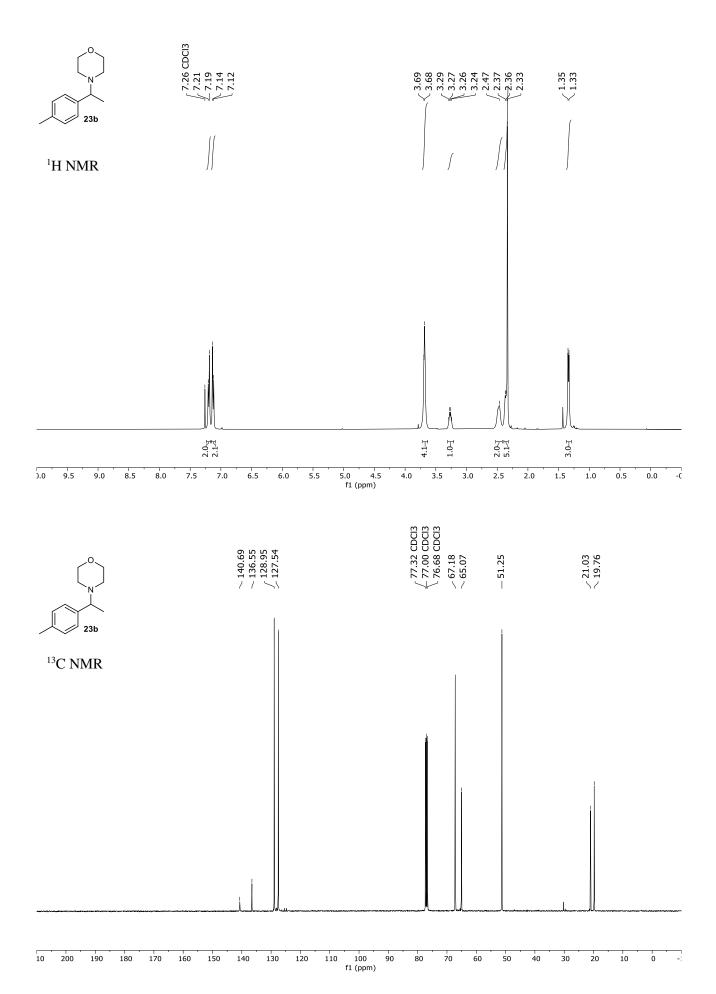


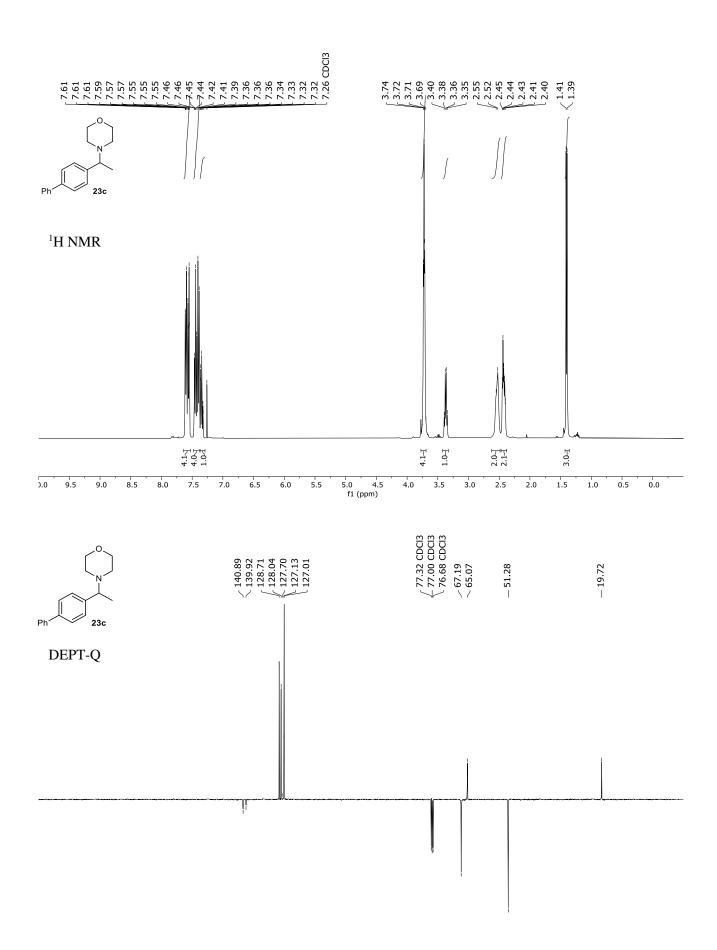


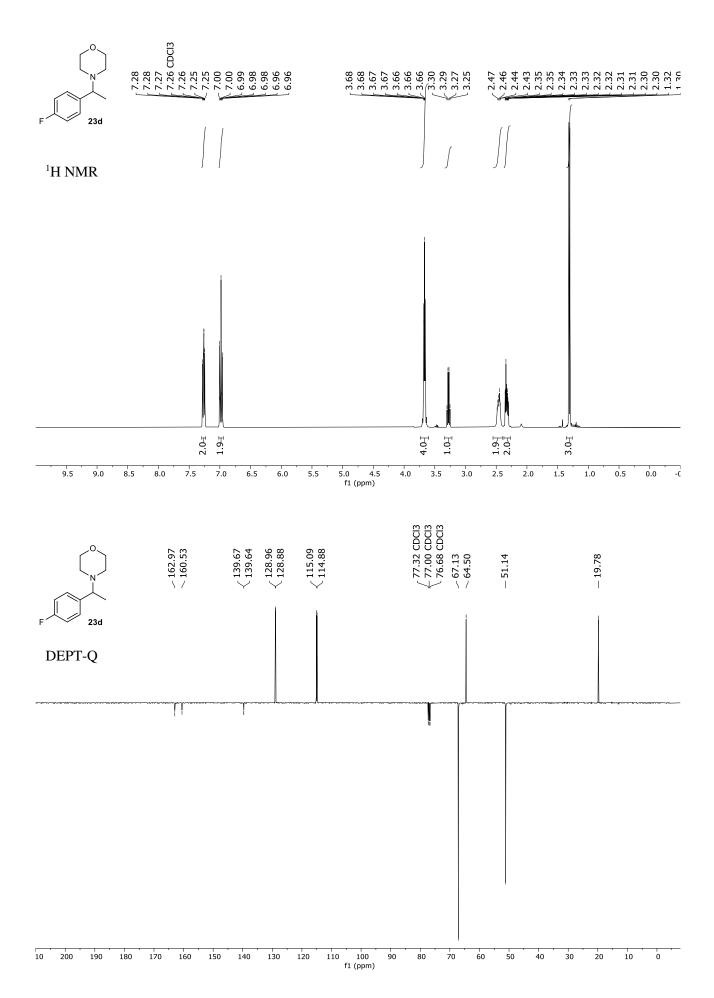


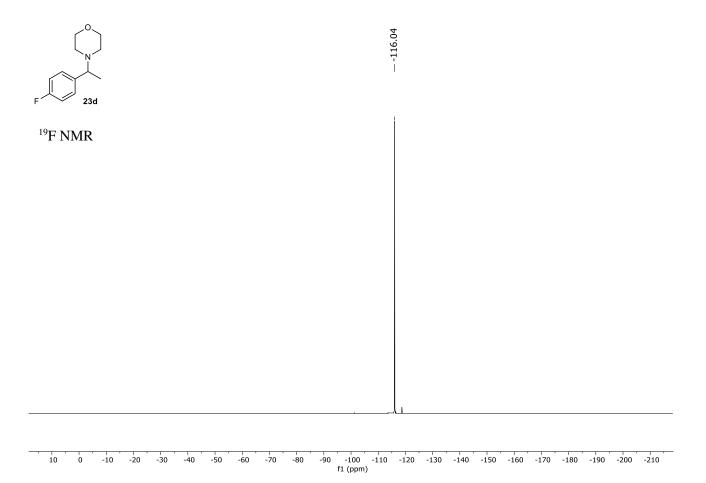
4.5. Coupling of Benzylic Boronic Esters

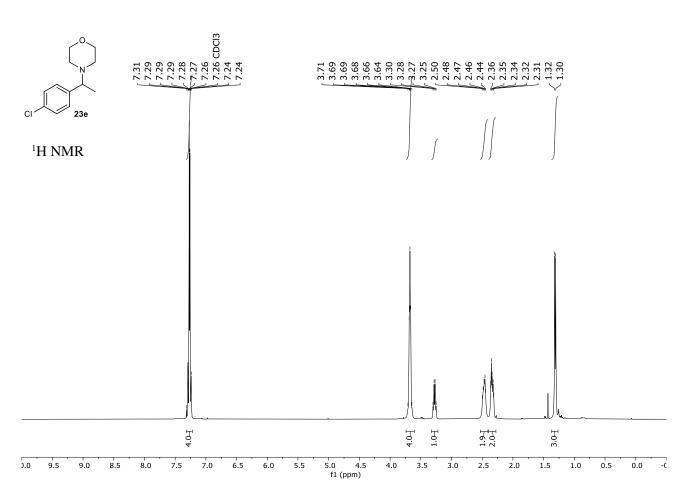


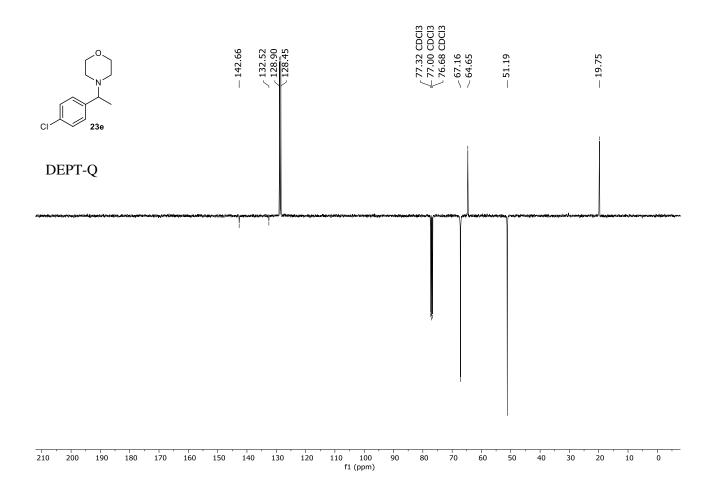


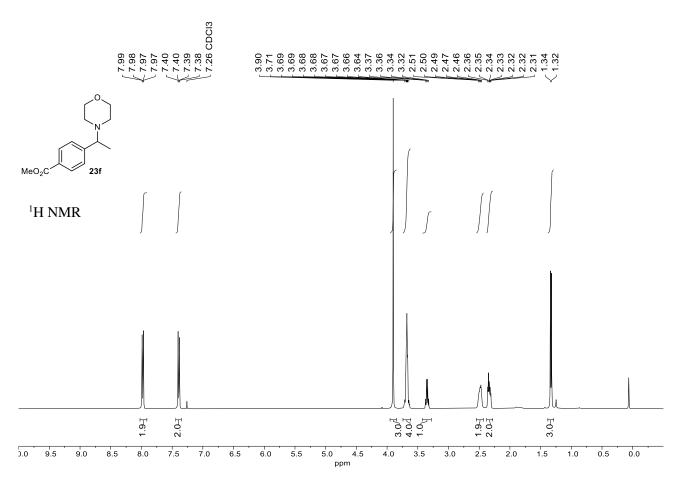


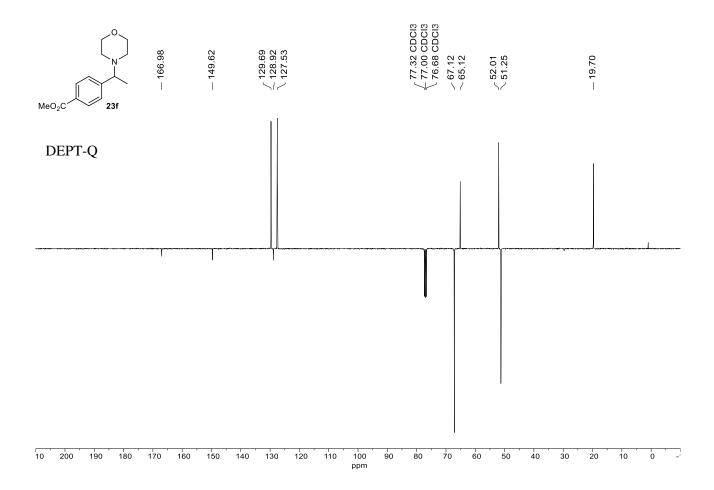


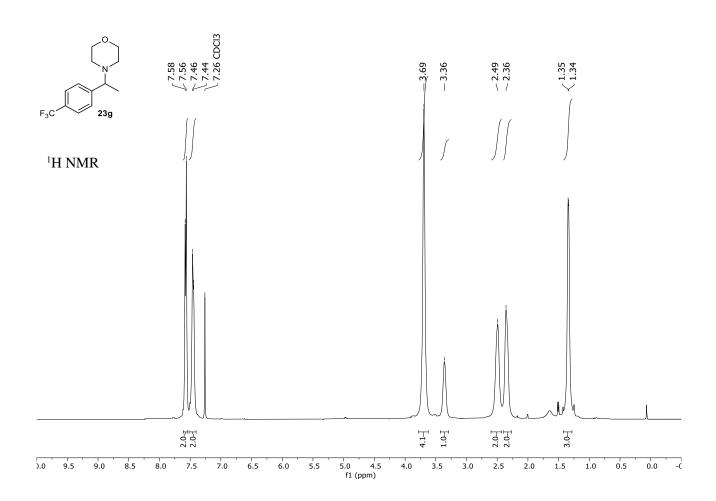


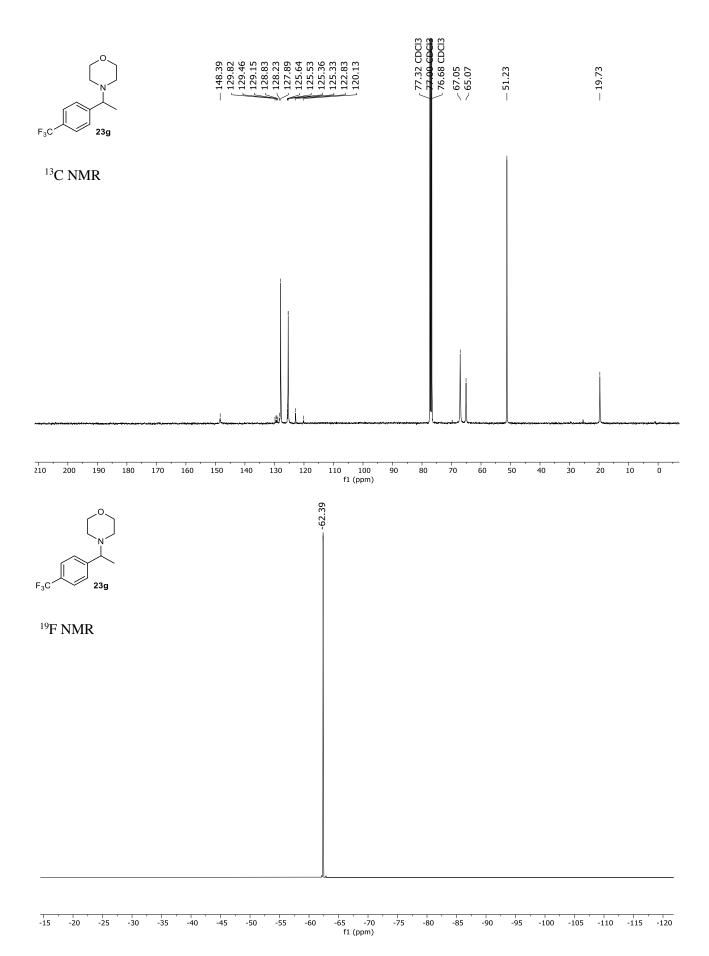


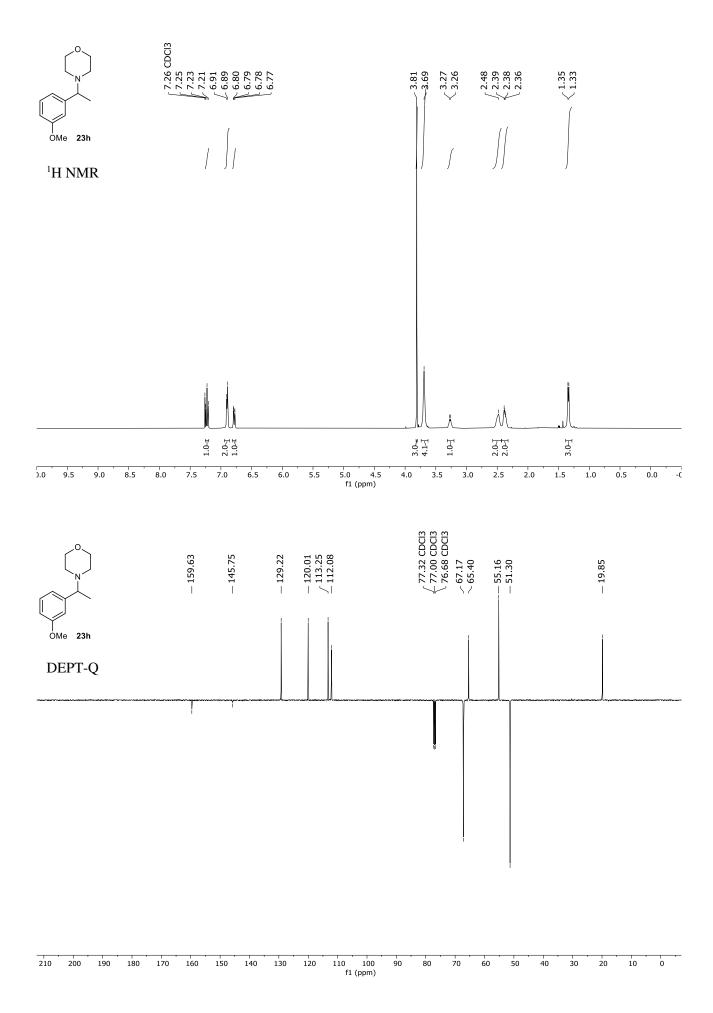


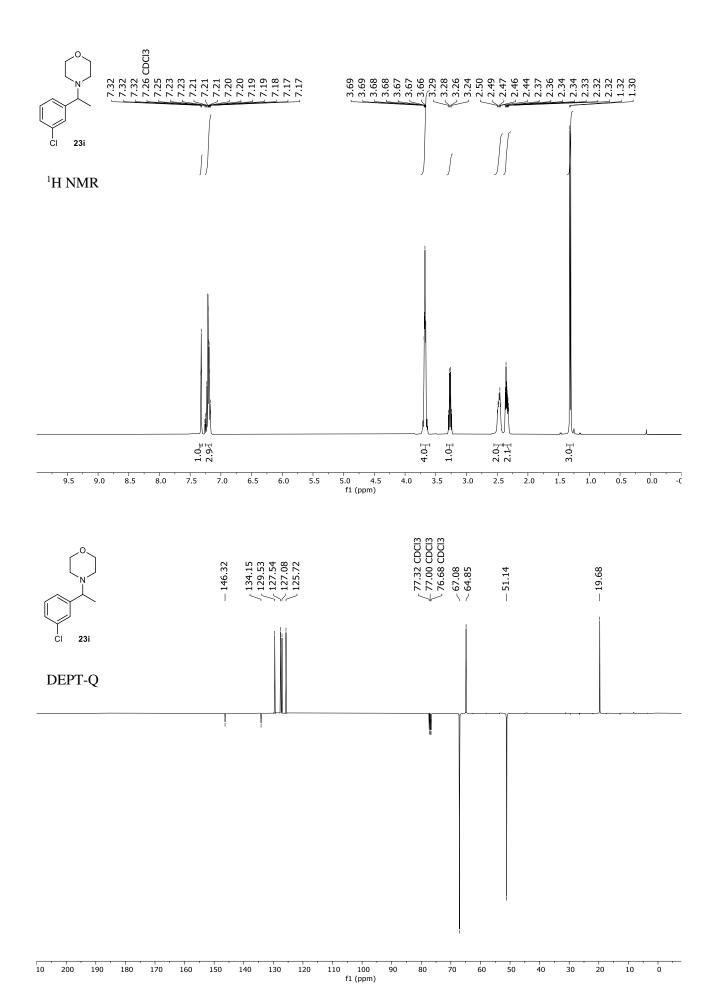


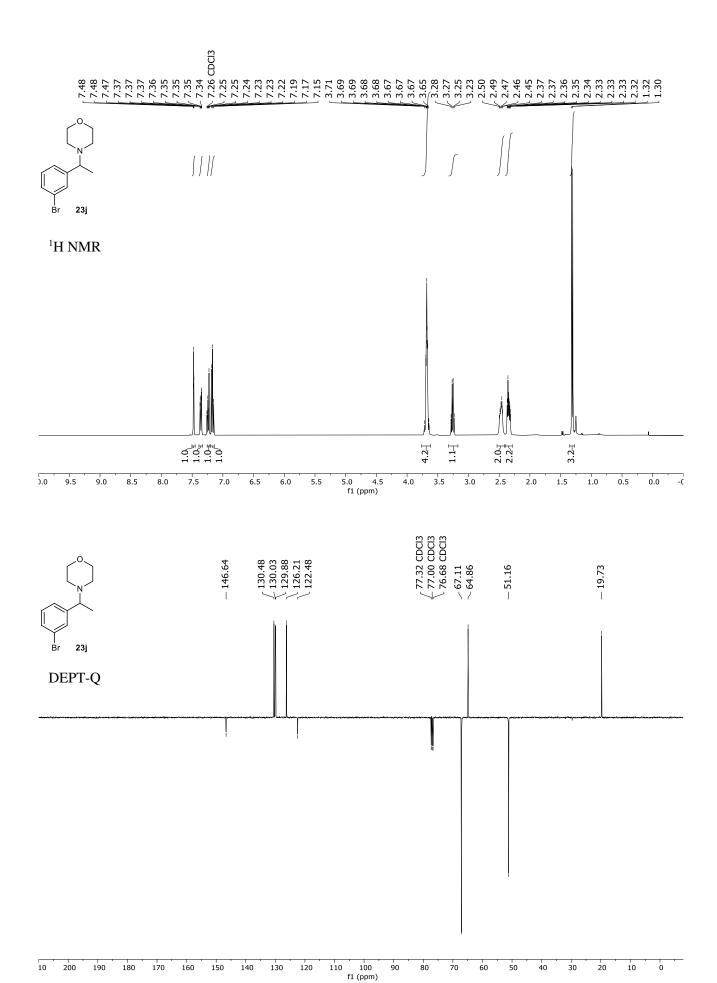


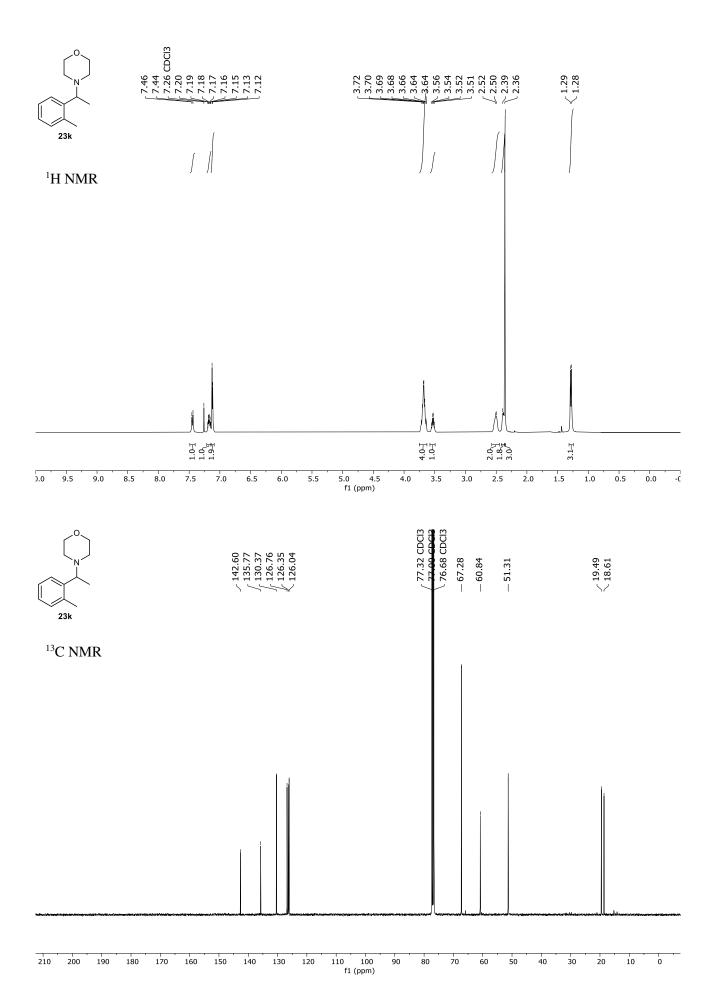


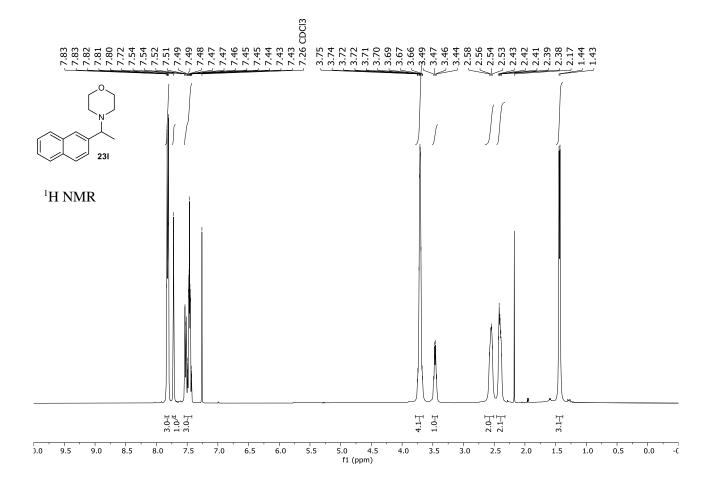


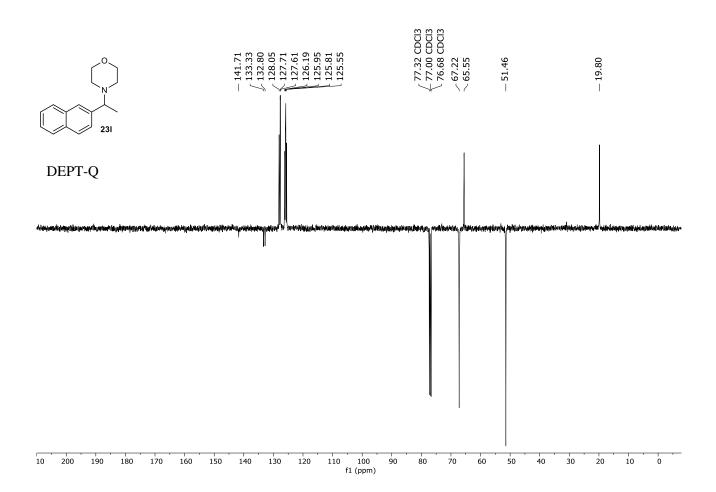












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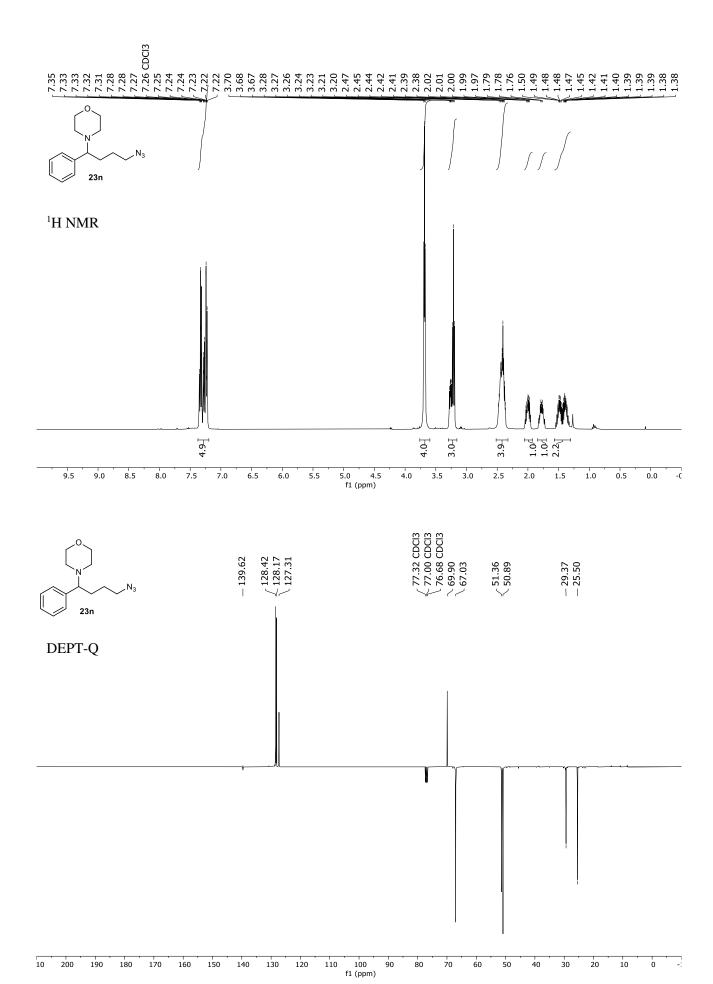
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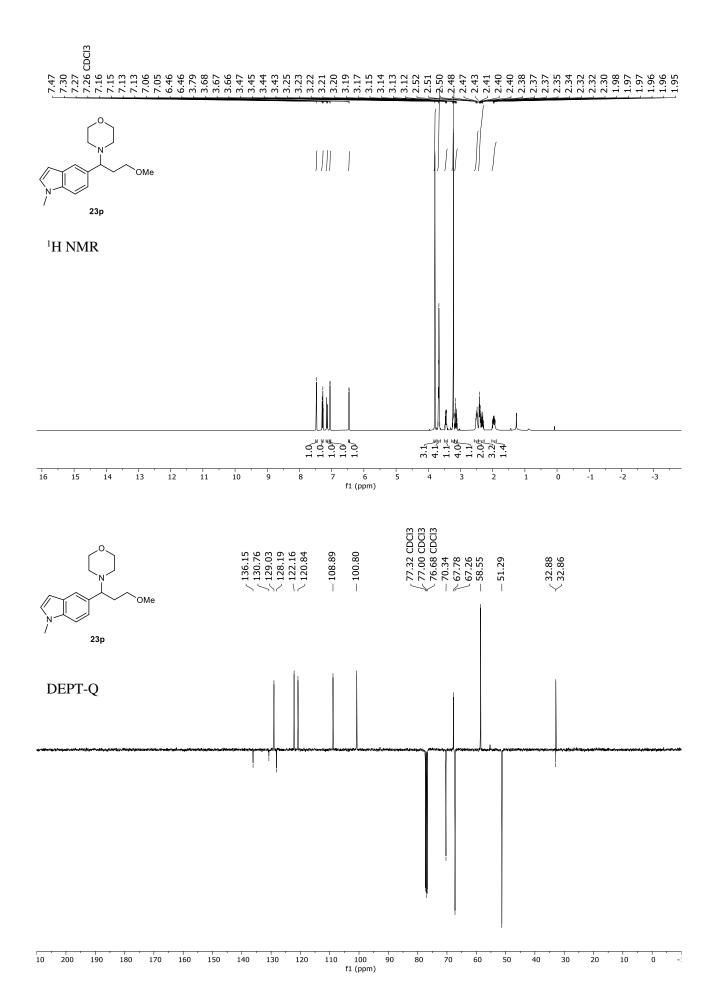
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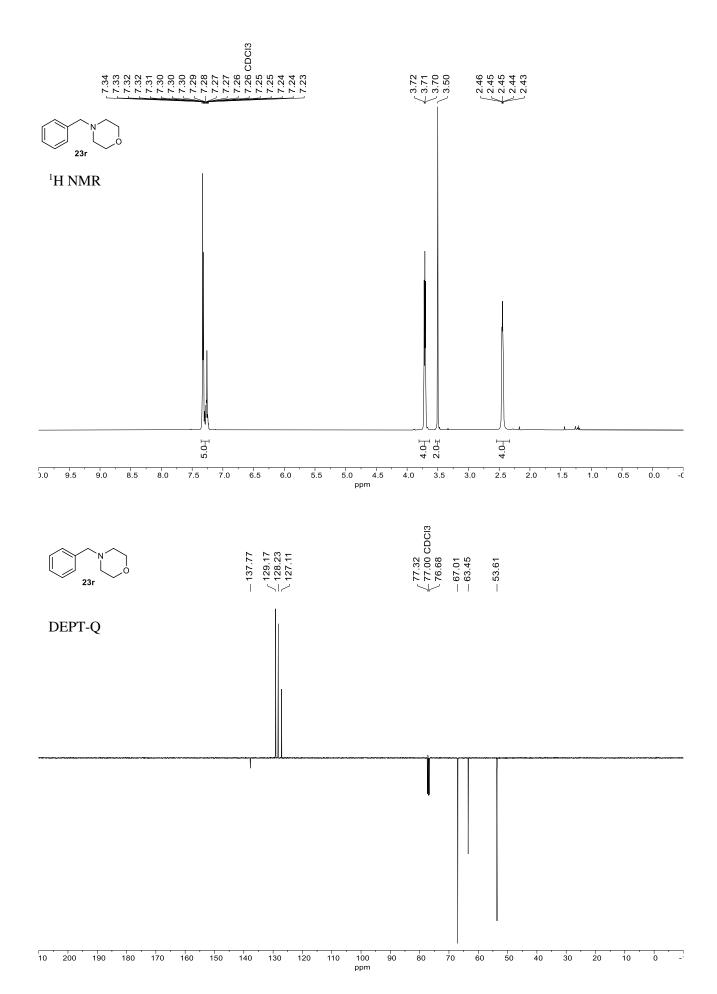
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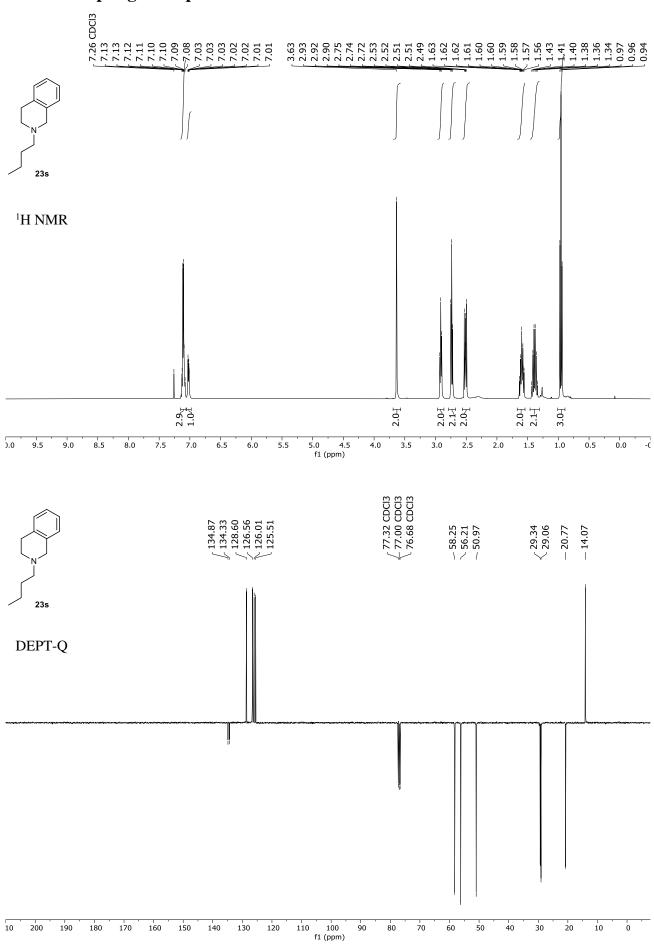
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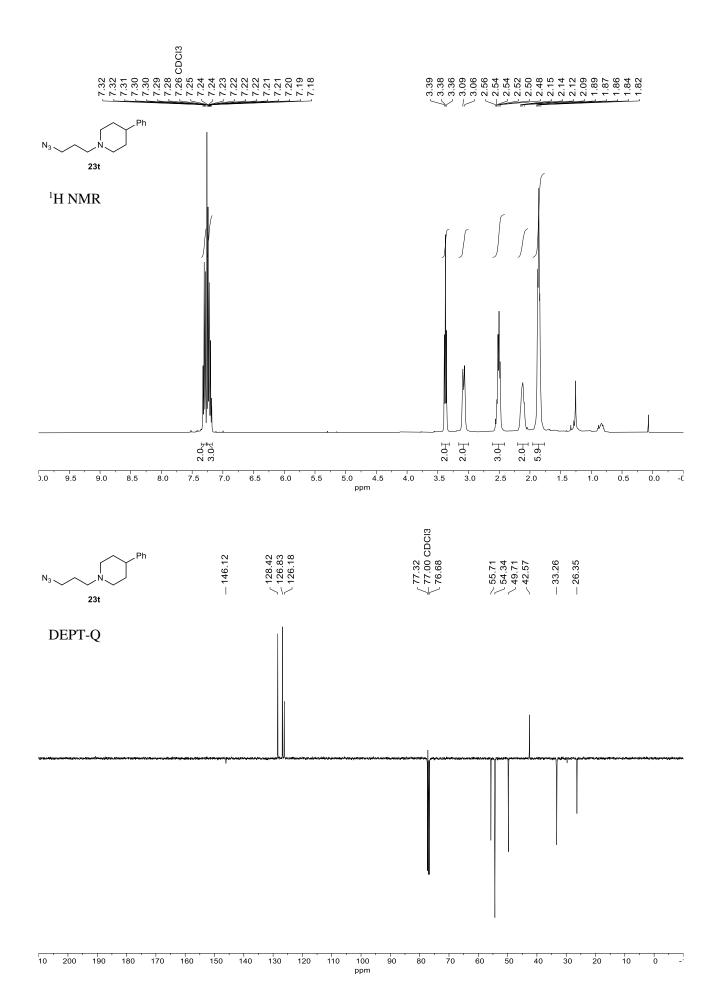
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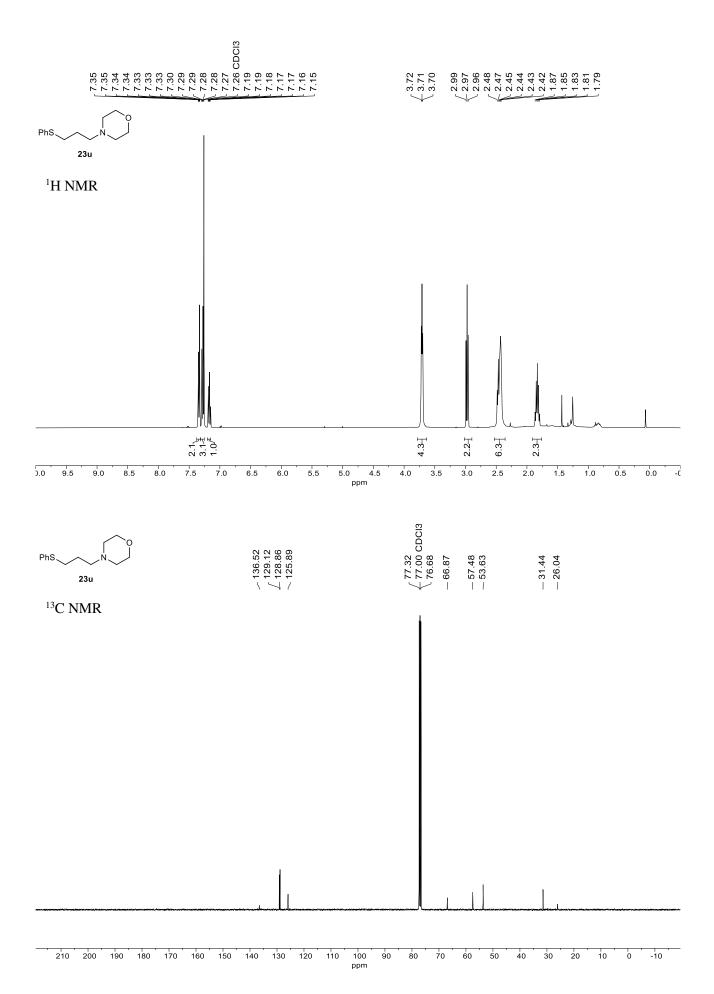
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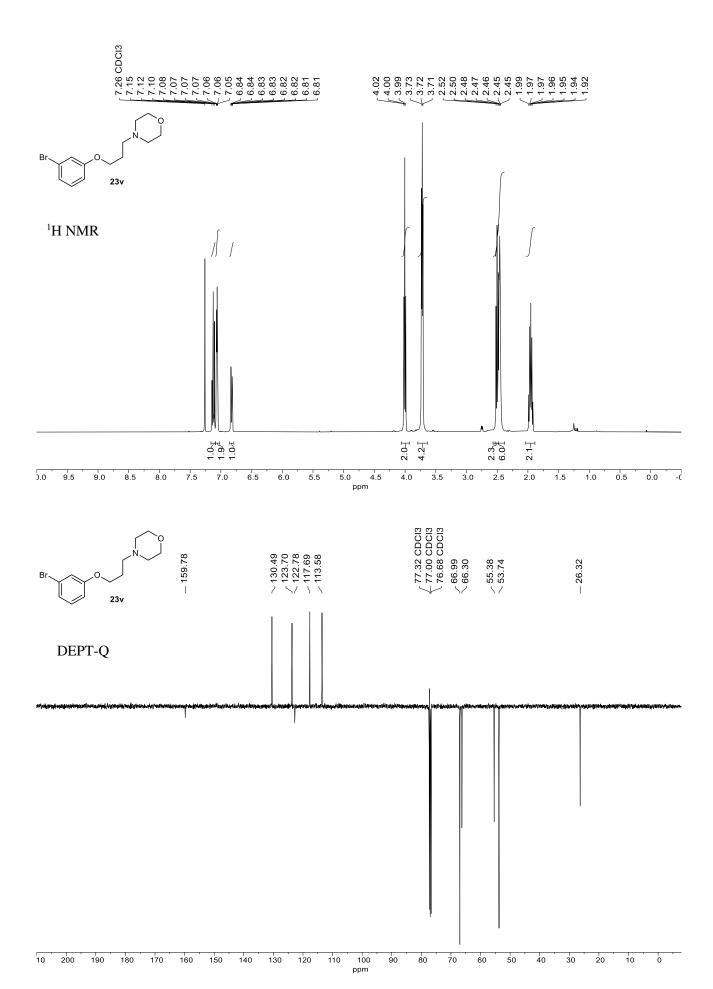


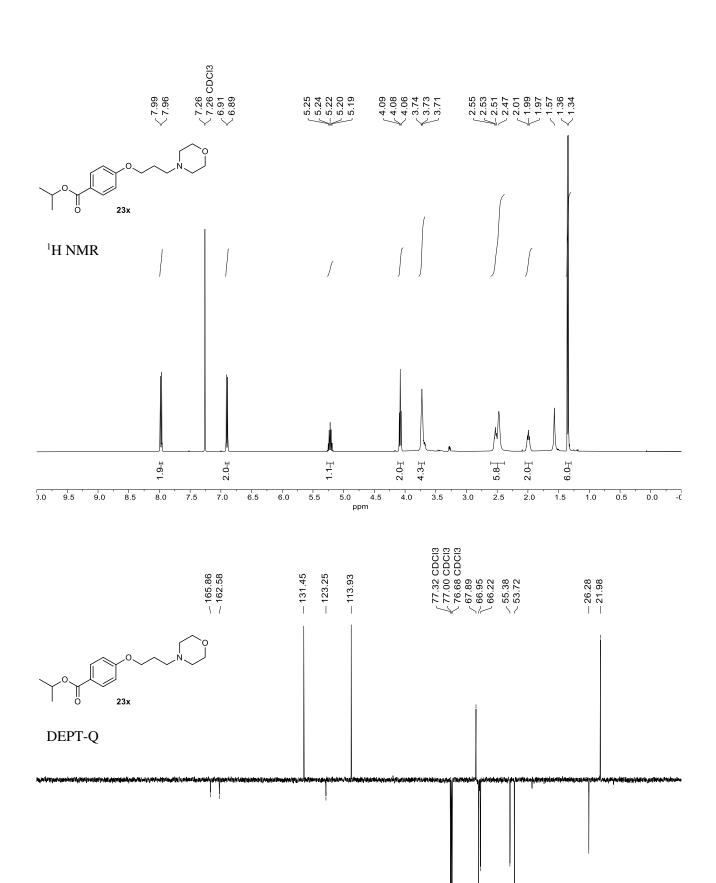
4.6. Coupling of Aliphatic Boronic Esters











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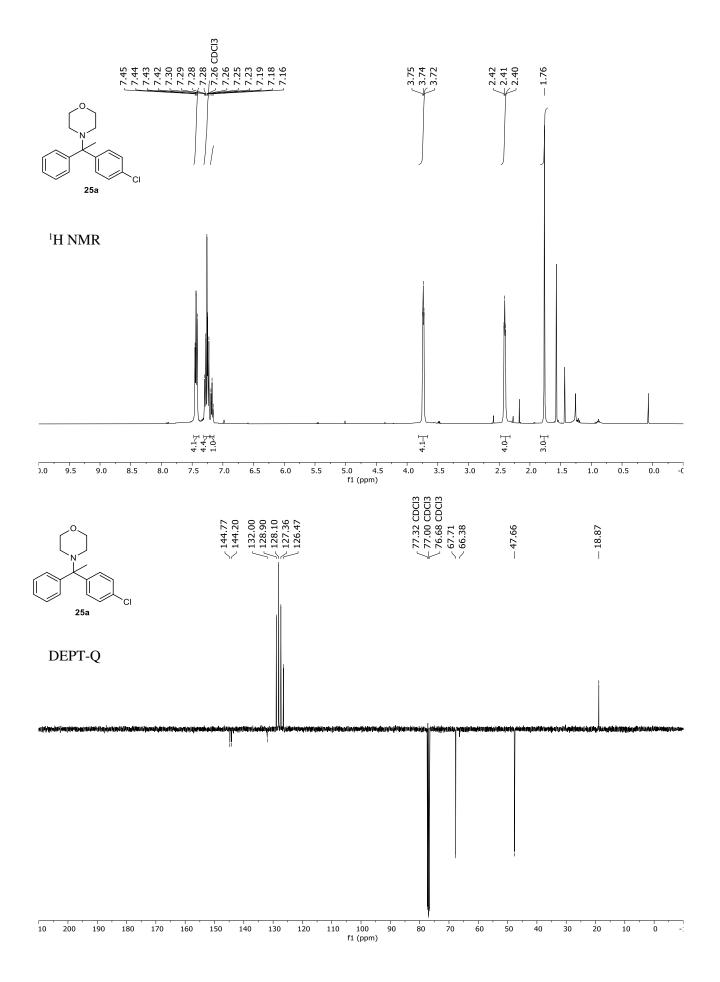
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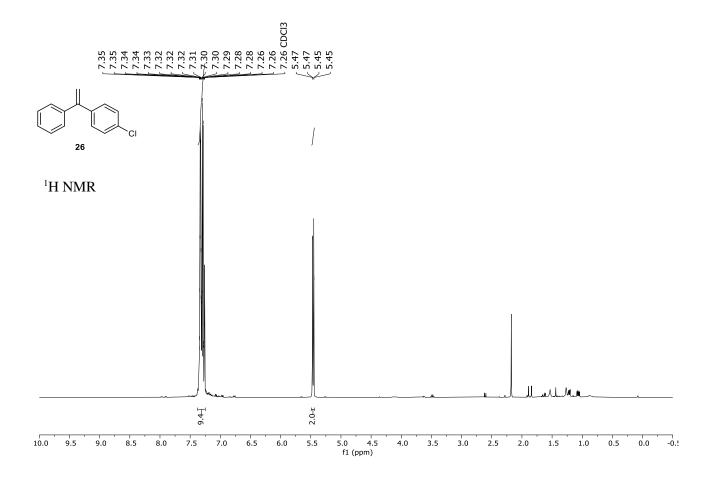
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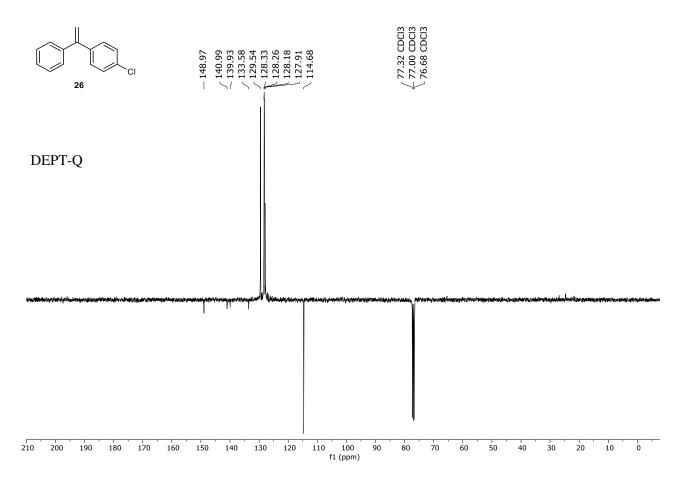
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4.7. Coupling of Tertiary Boronic Esters







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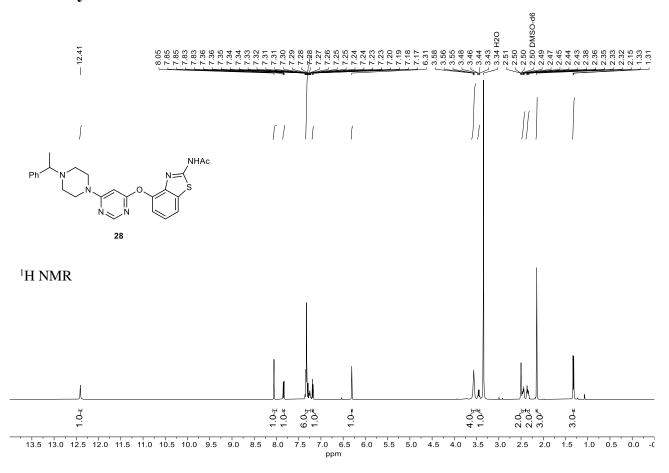
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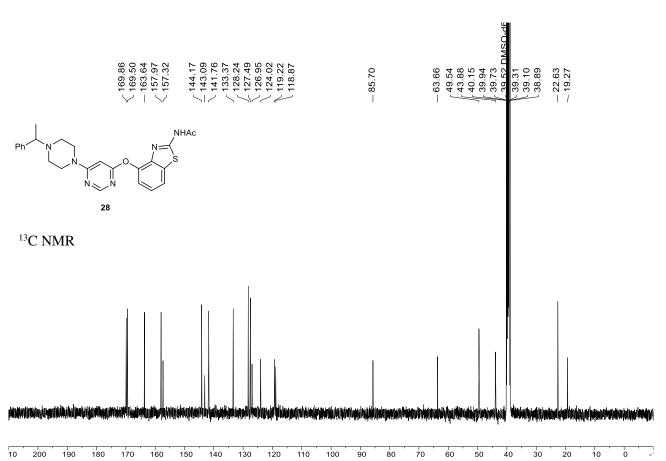
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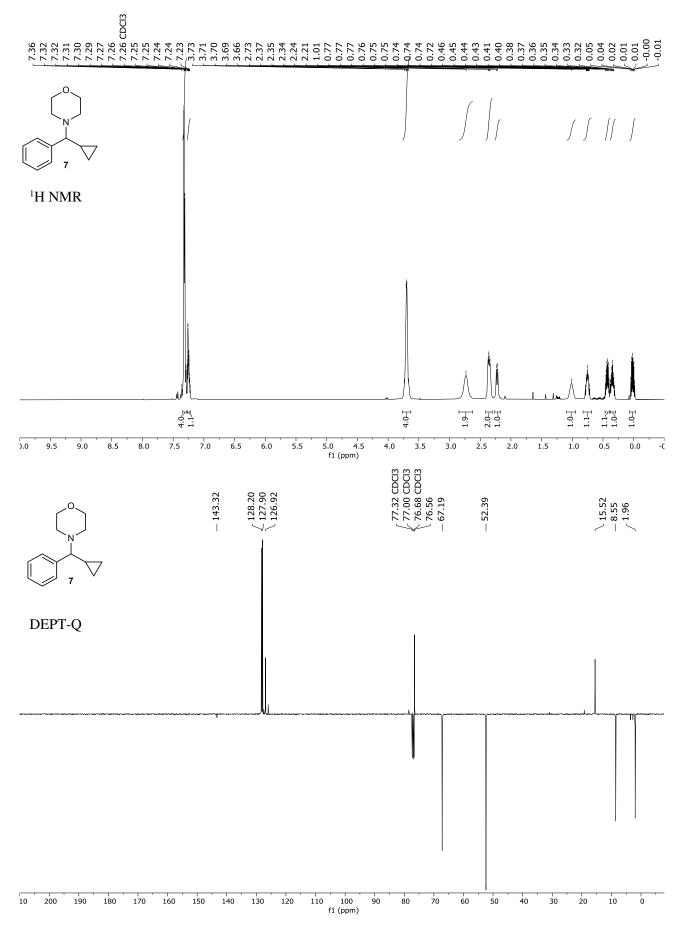
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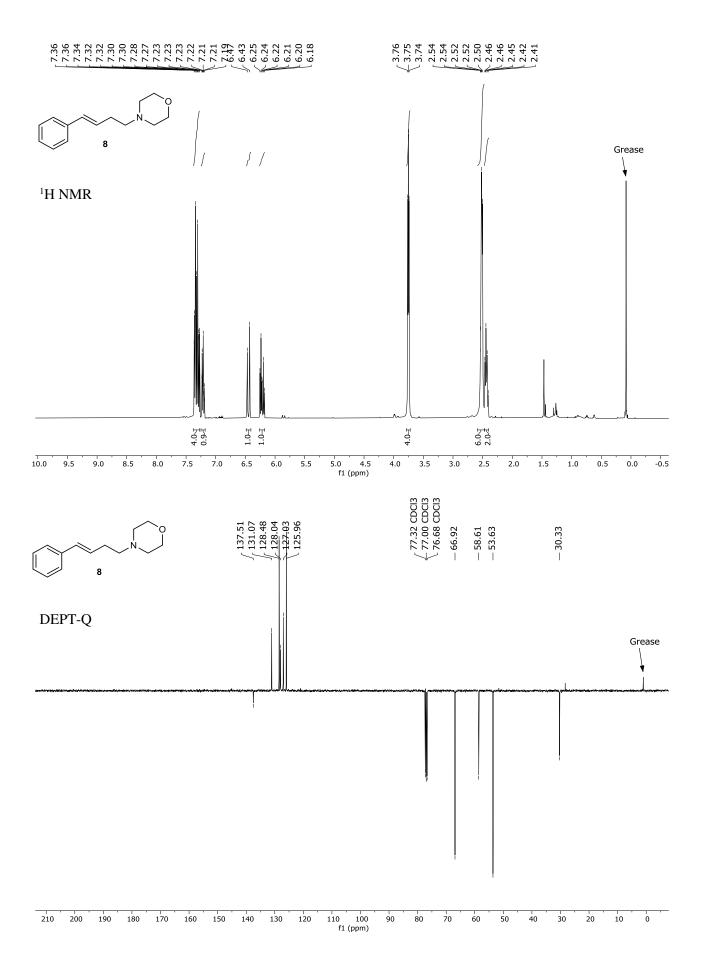
4.8. Synthesis of a TRVP 1 Inhibitor





4.9. Mechanistic Studies





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