

**A SYNTHETIC AND SPECTROSCOPIC INVESTIGATION OF THE
ASYMMETRIC α -LITHIATION-TRAPPING OF SIX-MEMBERED N-
BOC HETEROCYCLES USING ALEXAKIS DIAMINES**

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1. Experimental Details

1.1. General

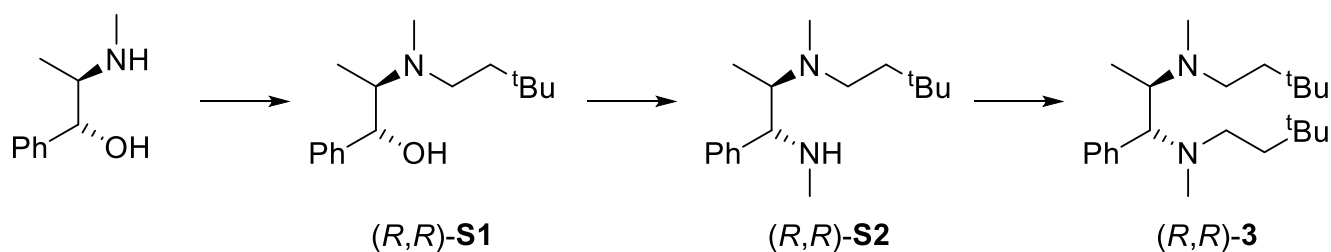
All-non aqueous reactions were carried out under oxygen free Ar or N₂ using flame-dried glassware. Et₂O and THF were freshly distilled from sodium and benzophenone. Alkylolithiums were titrated against *N*-benzylbenzamide before use. Petrol refers to the fraction of petroleum ether boiling in the range 40-60 °C and was purchased in Winchester quantities. Brine refers to a saturated solution. Water is distilled water.

Flash column chromatography was carried out using Fluka Chemie GmbH silica (220-440 mesh). Thin layer chromatography was carried out using commercially available Merck F₂₅₄ aluminium backed silica plates. Proton (400 MHz) and carbon (100.6 MHz) NMR spectra were recorded on a Jeol ECX-400 instrument using an internal deuterium lock. For samples recorded in CDCl₃, chemical shifts are quoted in parts per million relative to CHCl₃ (δ_{H} 7.26) and CDCl₃ (δ_{C} 77.0, central line of triplet). Carbon NMR spectra were recorded with broad band proton decoupling and assigned using DEPT experiments. Coupling constants (*J*) are quoted in Hertz. Melting points were carried out on a Gallenkamp melting point apparatus. Boiling points give for compounds purified by K \ddot{u} gelrohr distillation correspond to the oven temperature during distillation. Infrared spectra were recorded on an ATI Mattson Genesis FT-IR spectrometer or a Perkin Elmer UATR Two FT-IR spectrometer. Electrospray high and low resonance mass spectra were recorded at room temperature on a Bruker Daltronics microOTOF spectrometer. Optical rotations were recorded at room temperature on a Jasco DIP-370 polarimeter (using sodium D line, 589 nm) and $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}$ given in units of 10⁻¹ deg cm³ g⁻¹. Chiral stationary phase HPLC was performed on an Agilent 1200 series chromatograph. *In situ* ReactIR[™] infra-red spectroscopic monitoring was performed on a Mettler-Toledo ReactIR iC10 spectrometer with a silicon-tipped (SiComp) probe.

1.2 Synthesis of Diamines and Lithiation Substrates

The following diamines and substrates were synthesised according to the reported procedures: (+)-sparteine surrogate (+)-**1**,¹ (*S,S*)-**2** and (*R,R*)-**2**,² *N*-Boc-*N'*-benzyl piperazine **8**,³ *N*-Boc-*N'*-methyl piperazine **13**,⁴ *N*-Boc-*N'*-*tert*-butyl piperazine **18**⁵ and *N*-Boc-4-chloro piperidine **7**.⁶

(3,3-Dimethylbutyl)[(1*R*,2*R*)-1-[(3,3-dimethylbutyl)(methylamino)]-1-phenylpropan-2-yl]methylamine (*R,R*)-**3**



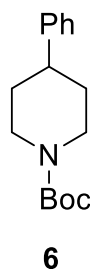
A solution of *tert*-butylacetyl chloride (4.24 mL, 30.3 mmol, 1.0 eq.) in CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL) was added dropwise to a stirred solution of (1*R*,2*R*)-(-)-pseudoephedrine (5.00 g, 30.3 mmol, 1.0 eq.) and Et₃N (3.06 g, 4.22 mL, 30.3 mmol, 1.0 eq.) in CH₂Cl₂ at 0 °C under Ar. The resulting mixture was allowed to warm to rt and stirred at rt for 16 h. Water (100 mL) was added and the layers separated. The aqueous was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (2 × 50 mL). The combined organic layers were dried (MgSO₄) and evaporated under reduced pressure to give the crude amide (7.94 g) as a pale yellow oil. A solution of crude amide (max. 30.3 mmol, 1.0 eq.) in THF (40 mL) was added dropwise to a stirred suspension of LiAlH₄ (3.45 g, 90.8 mmol, 3.0 eq.) in THF (60 mL) at 0 °C under Ar. The resulting mixture was allowed to warm to rt and then stirred at reflux for 16 h. After cooling to 0 °C the mixture was diluted with Et₂O (100 mL). Water (3.5 mL), 20% NaOH_(aq) (7.0 mL) and water (3.5 mL) were sequentially added dropwise and the mixture stirred for 15 min. Then, anhydrous MgSO₄ was added and the mixture stirred for 1 h. The solids were removed by filtration through Celite and washed with Et₂O (150 mL). The filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure to give the crude amine (*R,R*)-**S1** (7.65 g, quant.) as a pale yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.38-7.25 (m, 5H, Ph), 5.24 (br s, 1H, OH), 4.20 (d, *J* = 9.5 Hz, 1H, CHOH), 2.63 (dq, *J* = 9.5, 7.0 Hz, 1H, CHN), 2.54 (ddd, *J* = 11.0, 5.5, 5.5 Hz, 1H, NCH₂), 2.36 (ddd, *J* = 11.0, 5.5, 5.5 Hz, 1H, NCH₂), 2.25 (s, 3H, NMe), 1.45 (qdd, *J* = 13.0, 11.0, 5.5 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 0.93 (s, 9H, CMe₃), 0.74 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H, CHMe). Spectroscopic data consistent with those reported in the literature.⁷ The crude product was used in the next step without further purification.

Methanesulfonyl chloride (4.16 g, 2.81 mL, 36.3 mmol, 1.2 eq.) was added dropwise to a solution of crude amine (*R,R*)-**S1** (max. 30.3 mmol, 1.0 eq.) and Et₃N (5.21 g, 7.17 mL, 51.4 mmol, 1.7 eq.) in Et₂O (150 mL) at 0 °C under Ar. The resulting solution was stirred for 30 min at 0 °C then Et₃N (6.12 g, 8.44 mL, 60.5 mmol, 2.0 eq.) was added. The resulting solution was allowed to warm to rt then dimethylamine (64.3 mL of a 8 M solution in EtOH, 514 mmol, 17.0 eq.) was added. The resulting solution was stirred at rt for 40 h. Then, the volatiles were removed under reduced pressure and water (200 mL) was added to the residue. 20% NaOH_(aq) (50 mL) was added and the aqueous layer extracted with Et₂O (3 × 100 mL). The combined organic layers were dried (MgSO₄) and evaporated under reduced pressure to give the crude diamine (*R,R*)-**S2** (7.4 g, 93%) as a pale yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.33-7.22 (m, 5H, Ph), 3.18 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1H, CHPh), 2.94 (br s, 1H, NH), 2.73 (dq, *J* = 10.0, 6.5 Hz, 1H, CHMe), 2.46 (ddd, *J* = 11.5, 5.0, 5.0 Hz, 1H, NCH₂), 2.30 (ddd, *J* = 11.5, 5.0, 5.0 Hz, 1H, NCH₂), 2.20 (s, 3H, NMe), 2.19 (s, 3H, NMe), 1.48 (ddd, *J* = 13.0, 11.5, 5.0 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 1.35 (ddd, *J* = 13.0, 11.5, 5.0 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 0.92 (s, 9H, CMe₃), 0.59 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 3H, CHMe). Spectroscopic data consistent with those reported in the literature.⁷ The crude product was used in the next step without further purification.

A solution of *tert*-butylacetyl chloride (2.56 g, 2.67 mL, 19.1 mmol, 1.0 eq.) in CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL) was added dropwise to a stirred solution of crude amine (*R,R*)-**S2** (max. 19.1 mmol, 1.0 eq) and Et₃N (1.93 g, 2.66 mL, 19.1 mmol, 1.0 eq.) in CH₂Cl₂ at 0 °C under Ar. The resulting solution was allowed to warm to rt and stirred at rt for 16 h. Water (50 mL) and 20% NaOH_(aq) (50 mL) were added and the layers separated. The aqueous was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (2 × 50 mL). The combined organic layers were dried (MgSO₄) and evaporated under reduced pressure to give the crude amide (6.36 g, 93%) as a white solid. A solution of crude amide (max. 17.6 mmol, 1.0 eq.) in THF (20 mL) was added dropwise to a stirred suspension of LiAlH₄ (2.01 g, 52.9 mmol, 3.0 eq.) in THF (80 mL) at 0 °C under Ar. The resulting suspension was allowed to warm to rt and then stirred at reflux for 16 h. After cooling to 0 °C the mixture was diluted with Et₂O (100 mL). Water (2 mL), 20% NaOH_(aq) (4 mL) and water (2 mL) were sequentially added dropwise and the mixture stirred for 15 min. Then, anhydrous MgSO₄ was added and the mixture stirred for 1 h. The solids were removed by filtration through Celite and washed with Et₂O (150 mL). The filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure to give the crude product. Purification by Kugelrohr distillation gave diamine (*R,R*)-**3** (5.94 g, 97%) as a colourless oil that solidified upon standing, mp 42-44 °C (lit.,⁷ 35 °C); bp 142 °C at 1.0 mmHg (lit.,⁷ 155 °C at 0.4 mmHg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.33-7.30 (m, 2H, Ph), 7.27-7.22 (m, 1H, Ph), 7.16-7.14 (m, 2H, Ph), 3.60 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1H, CHPh), 3.36 (dq, *J* = 10.0, 6.5 Hz, 1H, CHMe), 2.57-2.41 (m, 2H, NCH₂), 2.21 (s, 3H, NMe), 2.19 (s, 3H, NMe), 1.48 (ddd, *J* = 13.0, 11.5, 5.0 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 1.35 (ddd, *J* = 13.0, 11.5, 5.0 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 0.92 (s, 9H, CMe₃), 0.59 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 3H, CHMe).

$J = 12.0, 4.5, 4.5$ Hz, 1H, NCH₂), 1.57-1.35 (m, 4H, CH₂), 0.92 (s, 9H, CMe₃), 0.85 (s, 9H, CMe₃), 0.64 (d, $J = 6.5$ Hz, 3H, CHMe); ¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 137.2 (*ipso*-Ph), 129.4 (Ph), 127.6 (Ph), 126.7 (Ph), 69.5 (PhCH), 56.0 (MeCH), 50.1 (NCH₂), 50.0 (NCH₂), 41.9 (NCH₂), 41.1 (NCH₂), 37.9 (NMe), 36.6 (NMe), 29.8 (CMe₃), 29.7 (CMe₃), 29.6 (CMe₃), 10.2 (MeCH) (one CMe₃ not resolved); $[\alpha]_D - 39.4$ (c 1.0 in CHCl₃) (lit.,⁷ $[\alpha]_D + 36.2$ (c 0.97 in CHCl₃) for (*S,S*)-**3** of >99:1 er). Spectroscopic data consistent with those reported in the literature.⁷

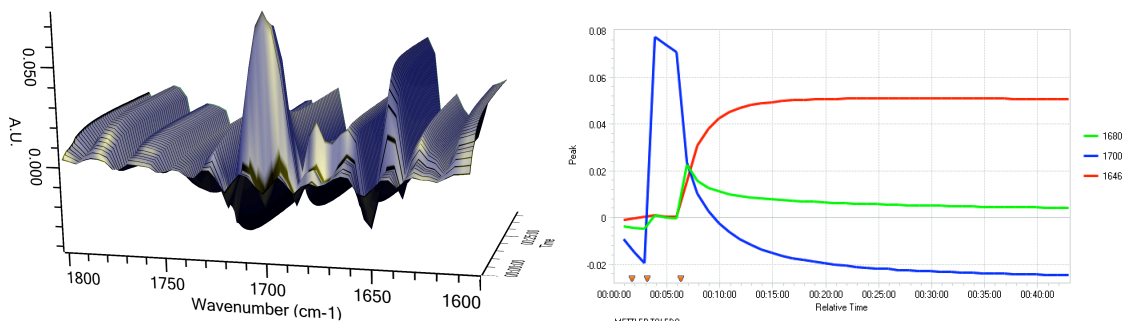
tert-Butyl 4-phenylpiperidine-1-carboxylate **6**



A solution of di-*tert*-butyl dicarbonate (3.0 g, 13.6 mmol, 1.1 eq.) in CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL) was added dropwise a stirred solution of 4-phenyl piperidine (2.0 g, 12.4 mmol, 1.0 eq.) in CH₂Cl₂ (80 mL) at 0 °C under Ar. The resulting solution was allowed to warm to rt and stirred at rt for 16 h. Then, 1 M HCl_(aq) (100 mL) was added and the two layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 × 50 mL). The combined organic layers were dried (MgSO₄), filtered and evaporated under reduced pressure to give the crude product. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica with 19:1-4:1 petrol-EtOAc as eluent gave *N*-Boc piperidine **6** (3.2 g, 99%) as a pale yellow oil, R_f (9:1 petrol-EtOAc) 0.3; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.35-7.28 (m, 2H, Ph), 7.23-7.19 (m, 3H, Ph), 4.29-4.20 (m, 2H, NCH), 2.80 (td, $J = 13.0, 2.5$ Hz, 2H, NCH), 2.64 (tt, $J = 12.0, 3.5$ Hz, 1H, CHPh), 1.88-1.77 (m, 2H, CH), 1.64 (td, $J = 12.5, 4.0$ Hz, 2H, CH), 1.49 (s, 9H, CMe₃); ¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 154.9 (C=O), 145.8 (*ipso*-Ph), 128.5 (Ph), 126.8 (Ph), 126.3 (Ph), 79.4 (CMe₃), 44.5 (NCH₂), 42.8 (CHPh), 33.3 (NCH₂CH₂), 28.6 (CMe₃). Spectroscopic data consistent with those reported in the literature.⁸

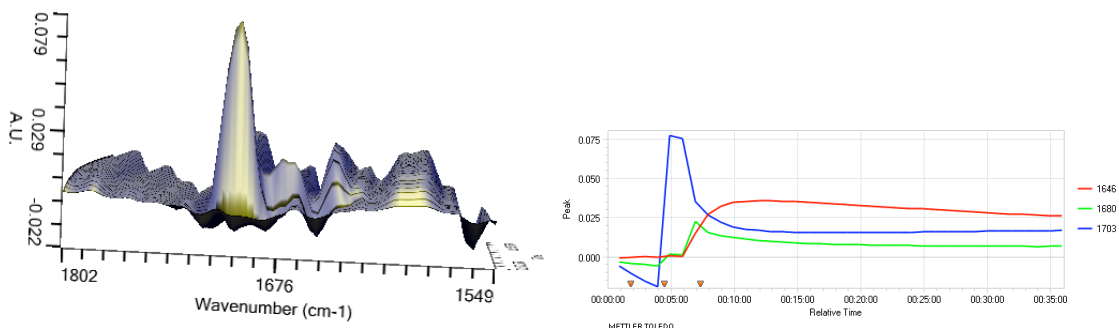
1.3 ReactIR™ monitoring

ReactIR™ monitoring of the (*S,S*)-**2** mediated lithiation of *N*-Boc-*N'*-benzyl piperazine **8**



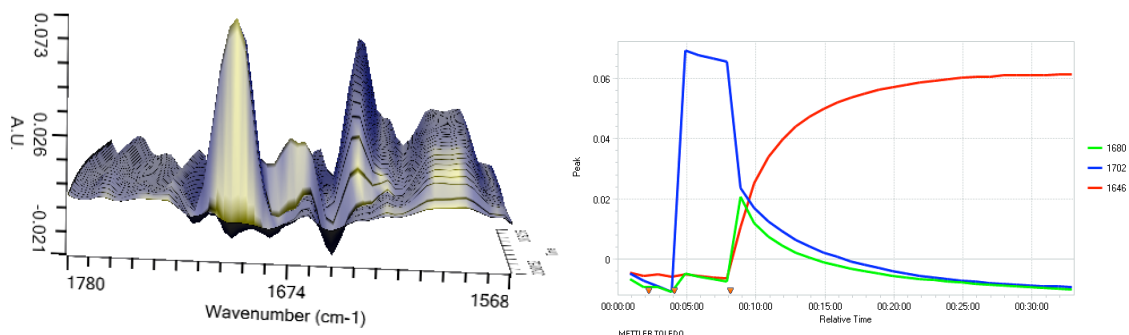
Et₂O (10 mL) was added to a flask equipped with a stirrer bar and ReactIR™ probe at rt under Ar. After cooling to -78 °C, a solution of (*S,S*)-**2** (403 mg, 1.3 mmol, 1.3 eq.) in Et₂O (2 mL) was added followed by a solution of *N*-Boc-*N'*-benzyl piperazine **8** (276 mg, 1.0 mmol, 1.0 eq.) in Et₂O (2 mL). The solution was stirred for 5 min (to verify the stability of readout on ReactIR™). Then, *s*-BuLi (1.0 mL of a 1.3 M solution in hexanes, 1.3 mmol, 1.3 eq.) was added dropwise. The solution was stirred at -78 °C for 35 min.

For *N*-Boc-*N'*-benzyl piperazine **8**, a peak at 1700 cm⁻¹ was observed and assigned to $\nu_{\text{C=O}}$. After addition of *s*-BuLi, a new peak at 1680 cm⁻¹ was observed which was assigned to $\nu_{\text{C=O}}$ in the pre-lithiation complex **9**. A new peak at 1646 cm⁻¹ was observed which was assigned to $\nu_{\text{C=O}}$ in the lithiated intermediate **10**. After a lithiation time of 30 min, complete lithiation of *N*-Boc-*N'*-benzyl piperazine **8** to give the lithiated intermediate **10** was observed.

ReactIR™ monitoring of the (*S,S*)-2 mediated lithiation of *N*-Boc-*N'*-methyl piperazine **13**

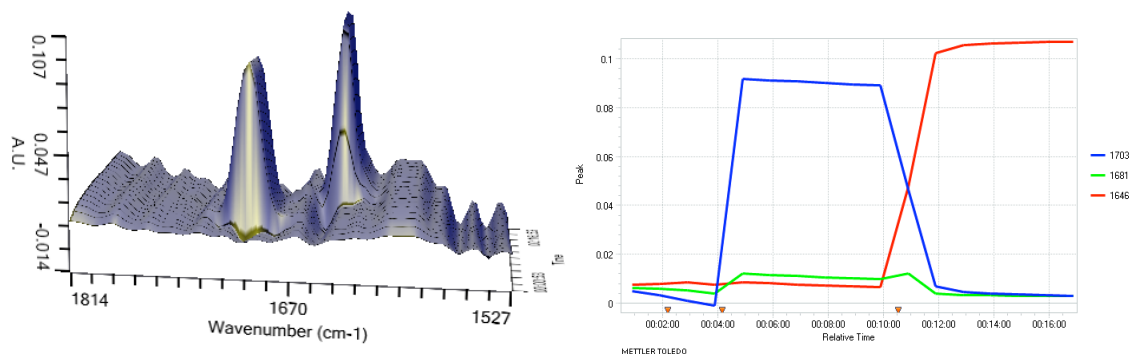
Et₂O (10 mL) was added to a flask equipped with a stirrer bar and ReactIR™ probe at rt under Ar. After cooling to -78 °C, a solution of (*S,S*)-**2** (403 mg, 1.3 mmol, 1.3 eq.) in Et₂O (2 mL) was added followed by a solution of *N*-Boc-*N'*-methyl piperazine **13** (200 mg, 1.0 mmol, 1.0 eq.) in Et₂O (2 mL). The solution was stirred for 5 min (to verify the stability of readout on ReactIR™). Then, *s*-BuLi (1.0 mL of a 1.3 M solution in hexanes, 1.3 mmol, 1.3 eq.) was added dropwise. The solution was stirred at -78 °C for 30 min.

For *N*-Boc-*N'*-methyl piperazine **13**, a peak at 1703 cm⁻¹ was observed and assigned to $\nu_{\text{C=O}}$. After addition of *s*-BuLi, a new peak at 1680 cm⁻¹ was observed which was assigned to $\nu_{\text{C=O}}$ in the pre-lithiation complex **14**. A new peak at 1646 cm⁻¹ was observed which was assigned to $\nu_{\text{C=O}}$ in the lithiated intermediate **15**. After a lithiation time of 10 min, incomplete lithiation of *N*-Boc-*N'*-methyl piperazine **13** to give the lithiated intermediate **15** was observed.

ReactIR™ monitoring of the (*R,R*)-3** mediated lithiation of *N*-Boc-*N'*-methyl piperazine **13****

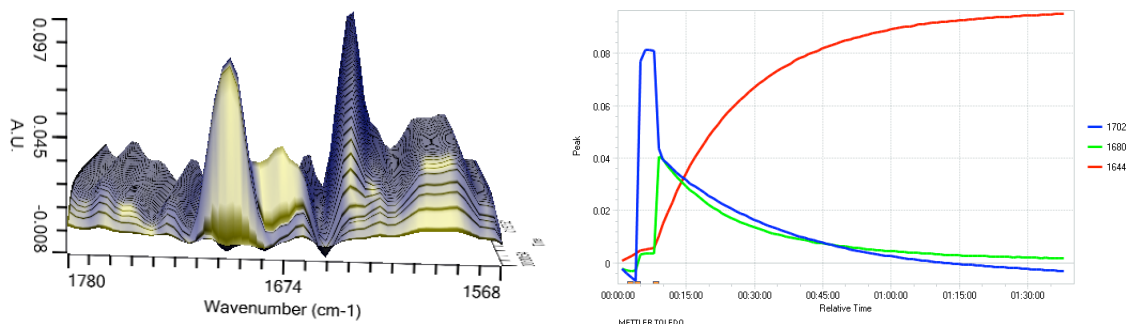
Et₂O (10 mL) was added to a flask equipped with a stirrer bar and ReactIR™ probe at rt under Ar. After cooling to -78 °C, a solution of (*R,R*)-**3** (450 mg, 1.3 mmol, 1.3 eq.) in Et₂O (2 mL) was added followed by a solution of *N*-Boc-*N'*-methyl piperazine **13** (200 mg, 1.0 mmol, 1.0 eq.) in Et₂O (2 mL). The solution was stirred for 5 min (to verify the stability of readout on ReactIR™). Then, *s*-BuLi (1.0 mL of a 1.3 M solution in hexanes, 1.3 mmol, 1.3 eq.) was added dropwise. The solution was stirred at -78 °C for 30 min.

For *N*-Boc-*N'*-methyl piperazine **13**, a peak at 1702 cm⁻¹ was observed and assigned to $\nu_{C=O}$. After addition of *s*-BuLi, a new peak at 1680 cm⁻¹ was observed which was assigned to $\nu_{C=O}$ in the pre-lithiation complex **14**. A new peak at 1646 cm⁻¹ was observed which was assigned to $\nu_{C=O}$ in the lithiated intermediate **15**. After a lithiation time of 30 min, complete lithiation of *N*-Boc-*N'*-methyl piperazine **13** to give the lithiated intermediate **15** was observed.

ReactIR™ monitoring of the (+)-1 mediated lithiation of *N*-Boc-*N'*-methyl piperazine **13**

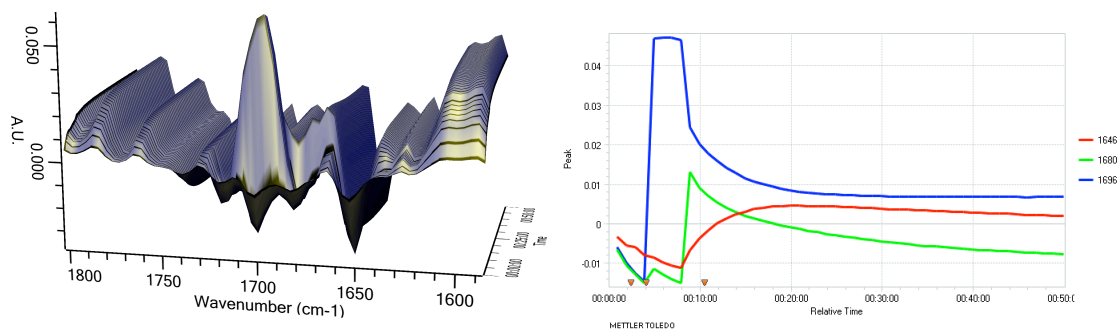
Et₂O (10 mL) was added to a flask equipped with a stirrer bar and ReactIR™ probe at rt under Ar. After cooling to -78 °C, a solution of (+)-sparteine surrogate (+)-**1** (252 mg, 1.3 mmol, 1.3 eq.) in Et₂O (2 mL) was added followed by a solution of *N*-Boc-*N'*-methyl piperazine **13** (200 mg, 1.0 mmol, 1.0 eq.) in Et₂O (2 mL). The solution was stirred for 5 min (to verify the stability of readout on ReactIR™). Then, *s*-BuLi (1.0 mL of a 1.3 M solution in hexanes, 1.3 mmol, 1.3 eq.) was added dropwise. The solution was stirred at -78 °C for 7 min.

For *N*-Boc-*N'*-methyl piperazine **13**, a peak at 1703 cm⁻¹ was observed and assigned to $\nu_{\text{C=O}}$. After addition of *s*-BuLi, a new peak at 1681 cm⁻¹ was observed which was assigned to $\nu_{\text{C=O}}$ in the pre-lithiation complex **14**. A new peak at 1646 cm⁻¹ was observed which was assigned to $\nu_{\text{C=O}}$ in the lithiated intermediate **15**. After a lithiation time of 4 min, complete lithiation of *N*-Boc-*N'*-methyl piperazine **13** to give the lithiated intermediate **15** was observed.

ReactIR™ monitoring of the (-)-sparteine mediated lithiation of *N*-Boc-*N'*-methyl piperazine **13**

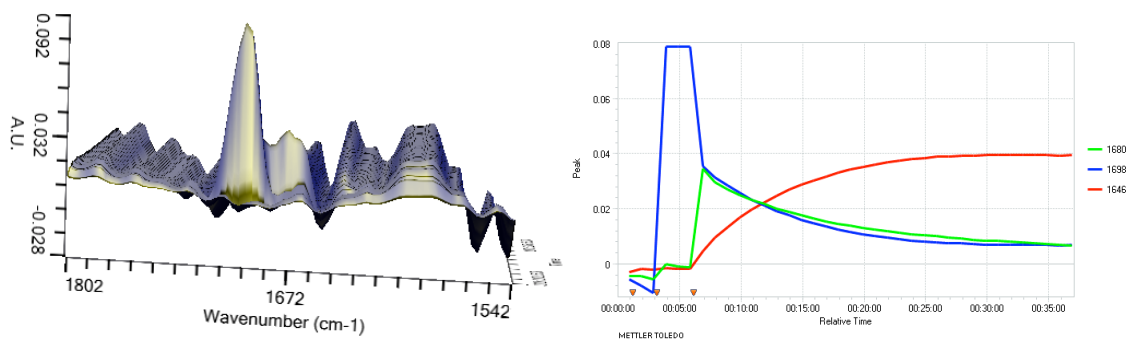
Et₂O (12 mL) was added to a flask equipped with a stirrer bar and ReactIR™ probe at rt under Ar. After cooling to -78 °C, (-)-sparteine (299 μL, 1.3 mmol, 1.3 eq.) was added followed by a solution of *N*-Boc-*N'*-methyl piperazine **13** (200 mg, 1.0 mmol, 1.0 eq.) in Et₂O (2 mL). The solution was stirred for 5 min (to verify the stability of readout on ReactIR™). Then, *s*-BuLi (1.0 mL of a 1.3 M solution in hexanes, 1.3 mmol, 1.3 eq.) was added dropwise. The solution was stirred at -78 °C for 90 min.

For *N*-Boc-*N'*-methyl piperazine **13**, a peak at 1702 cm⁻¹ was observed and assigned to $\nu_{\text{C=O}}$. After addition of *s*-BuLi, a new peak at 1680 cm⁻¹ was observed which was assigned to $\nu_{\text{C=O}}$ in the pre-lithiation complex **14**. A new peak at 1644 cm⁻¹ was observed which was assigned to $\nu_{\text{C=O}}$ in the lithiated intermediate **15**. After a lithiation time of 90 min, complete lithiation of *N*-Boc-*N'*-methyl piperazine **13** to give the lithiated intermediate **15** was observed.

ReactIR™ monitoring of the (*S,S*)-2** mediated lithiation of *N*-Boc-*N'*-*tert*-butyl piperazine **18****

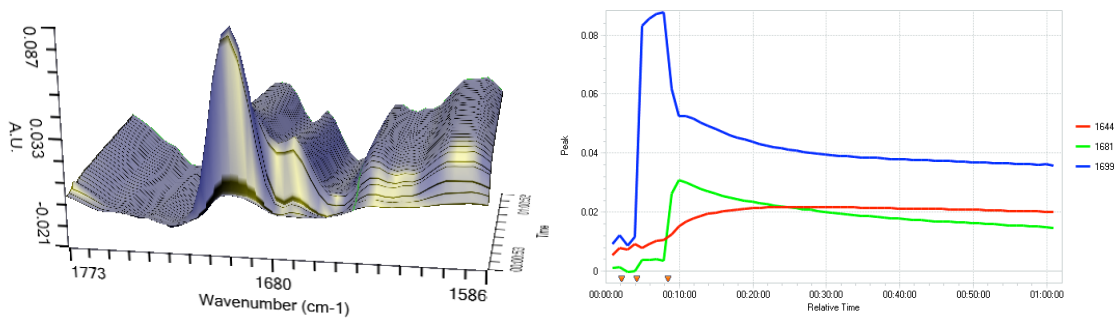
Et₂O (10 mL) was added to a flask equipped with a stirrer bar and ReactIR™ probe at rt under Ar. After cooling to -78 °C, a solution of (*S,S*)-**2** (403 mg, 1.3 mmol, 1.3 eq.) in Et₂O (2 mL) was added followed by a solution of *N*-Boc-*N'*-*tert*-butyl piperazine **18** (242 mg, 1.0 mmol, 1.0 eq.) in Et₂O (2 mL). The solution was stirred for 5 min (to verify the stability of readout on ReactIR™). Then, *s*-BuLi (1.0 mL of a 1.3 M solution in hexanes, 1.3 mmol, 1.3 eq.) was added dropwise. The solution was stirred at -78 °C for 45 min.

For *N*-Boc-*N'*-*tert*-butyl piperazine **18**, a peak at 1696 cm⁻¹ was observed and assigned to $\nu_{C=O}$. After addition of *s*-BuLi, a new peak at 1680 cm⁻¹ was observed which was assigned to $\nu_{C=O}$ in the pre-lithiation complex. A new peak at 1646 cm⁻¹ was observed which was assigned to $\nu_{C=O}$ in the lithiated intermediate. After a lithiation time of 15 min, incomplete lithiation of *N*-Boc-*N'*-*tert*-butyl piperazine **18** to give the lithiated intermediate was observed.

ReactIR™ monitoring of the (*R,R*)-3** mediated lithiation of *N*-Boc-*N'*-*tert*-butyl piperazine **18****

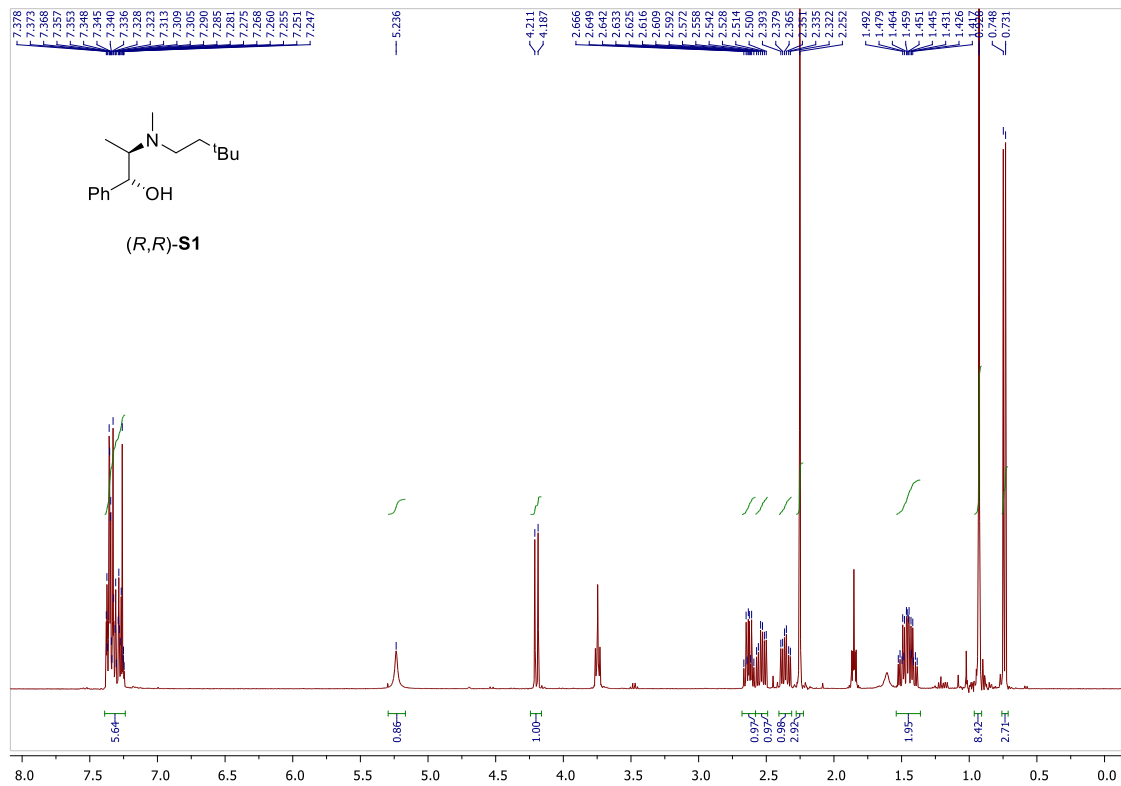
Et₂O (10 mL) was added to a flask equipped with a stirrer bar and ReactIR™ probe at rt under Ar. After cooling to -78 °C, a solution of (*R,R*)-**3** (450 mg, 1.3 mmol, 1.3 eq.) in Et₂O (2 mL) was added followed by a solution of *N*-Boc-*N'*-*tert*-butyl piperazine **18** (242 mg, 1.0 mmol, 1.0 eq.) in Et₂O (2 mL). The solution was stirred for 5 min (to verify the stability of readout on ReactIR™). Then, *s*-BuLi (1.0 mL of a 1.3 M solution in hexanes, 1.3 mmol, 1.3 eq.) was added dropwise. The solution was stirred at -78 °C for 30 min.

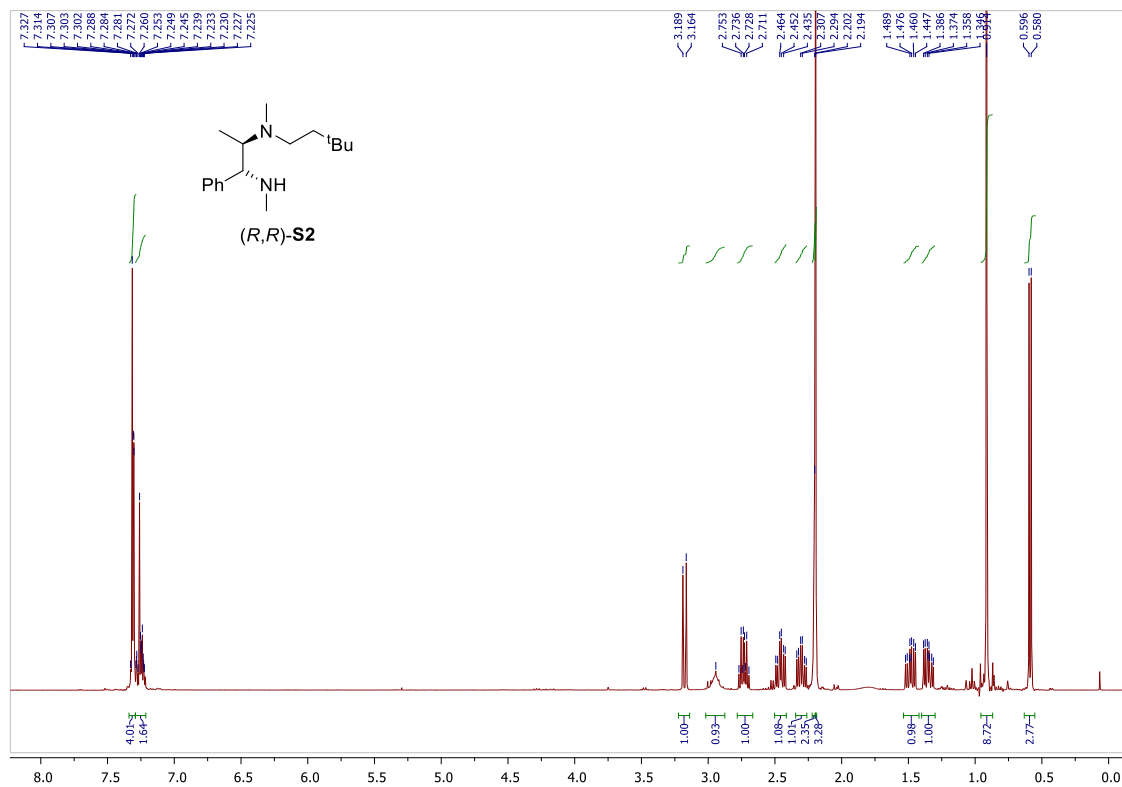
For *N*-Boc-*N'*-*tert*-butyl piperazine **18**, a peak at 1698 cm⁻¹ was observed and assigned to ν_{C=O}. After addition of *s*-BuLi, a new peak at 1680 cm⁻¹ was observed which was assigned to ν_{C=O} in the pre-lithiation complex. A new peak at 1646 cm⁻¹ was observed which was assigned to ν_{C=O} in the lithiated intermediate. After a lithiation time of 30 min, complete lithiation of *N*-Boc-*N'*-*tert*-butyl piperazine **18** to give the lithiated intermediate was observed.

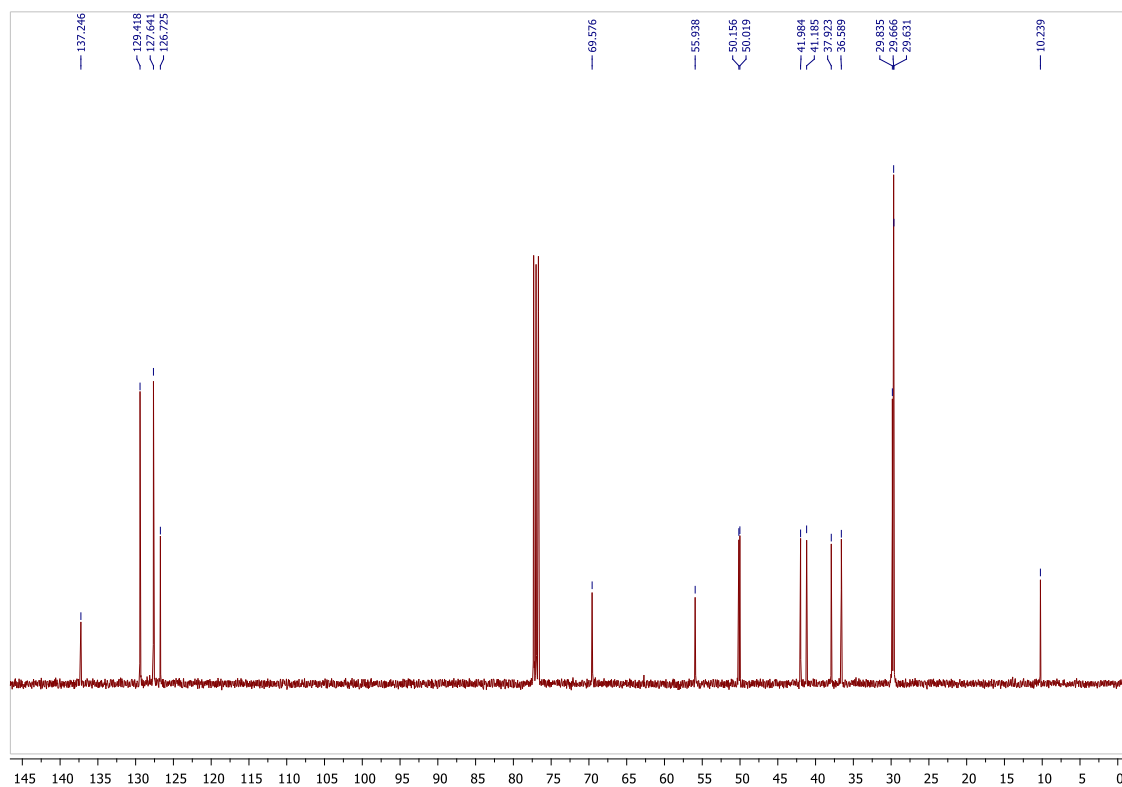
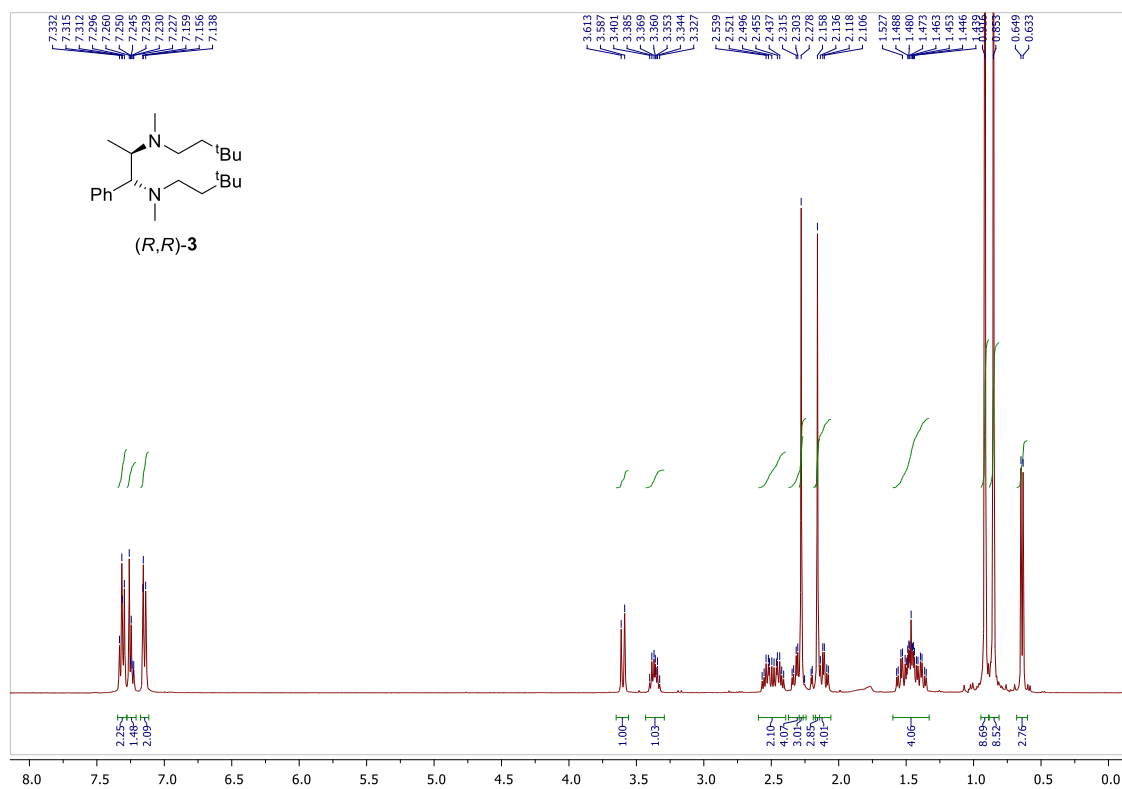
ReactIR™ monitoring of the (*S,S*)-2 mediated lithiation of *N*-Boc-4-phenyl piperidine **6**

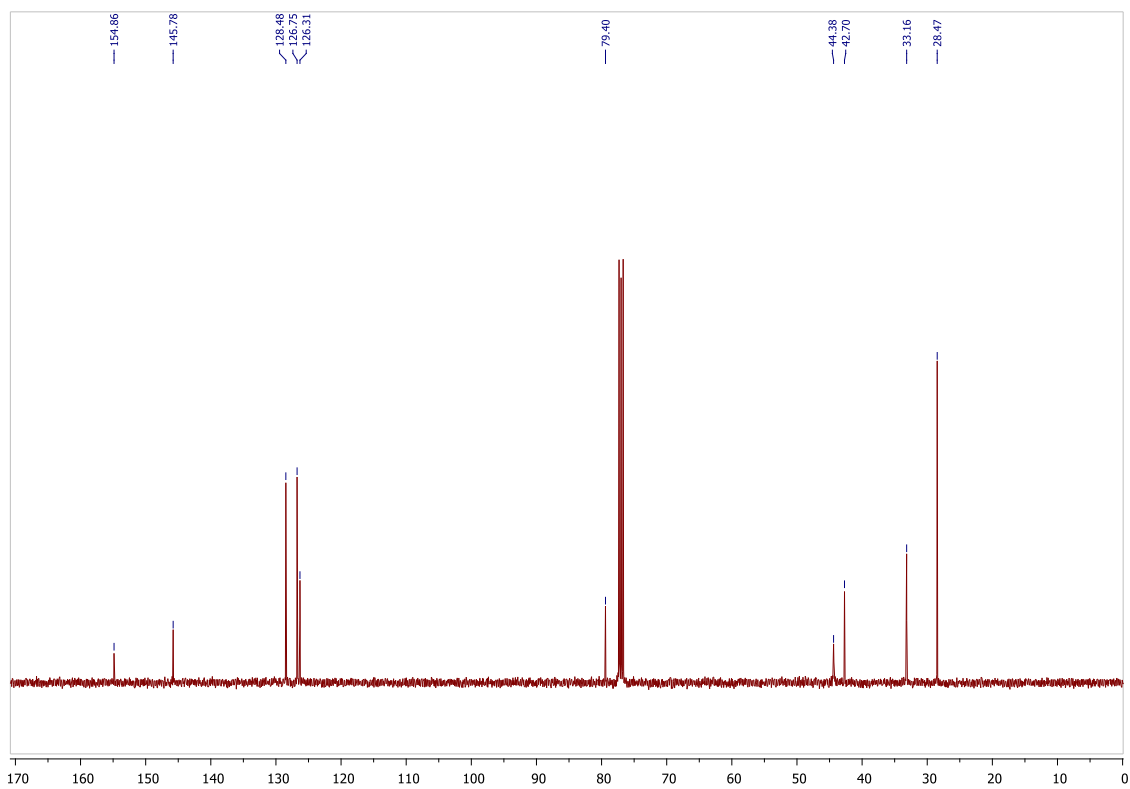
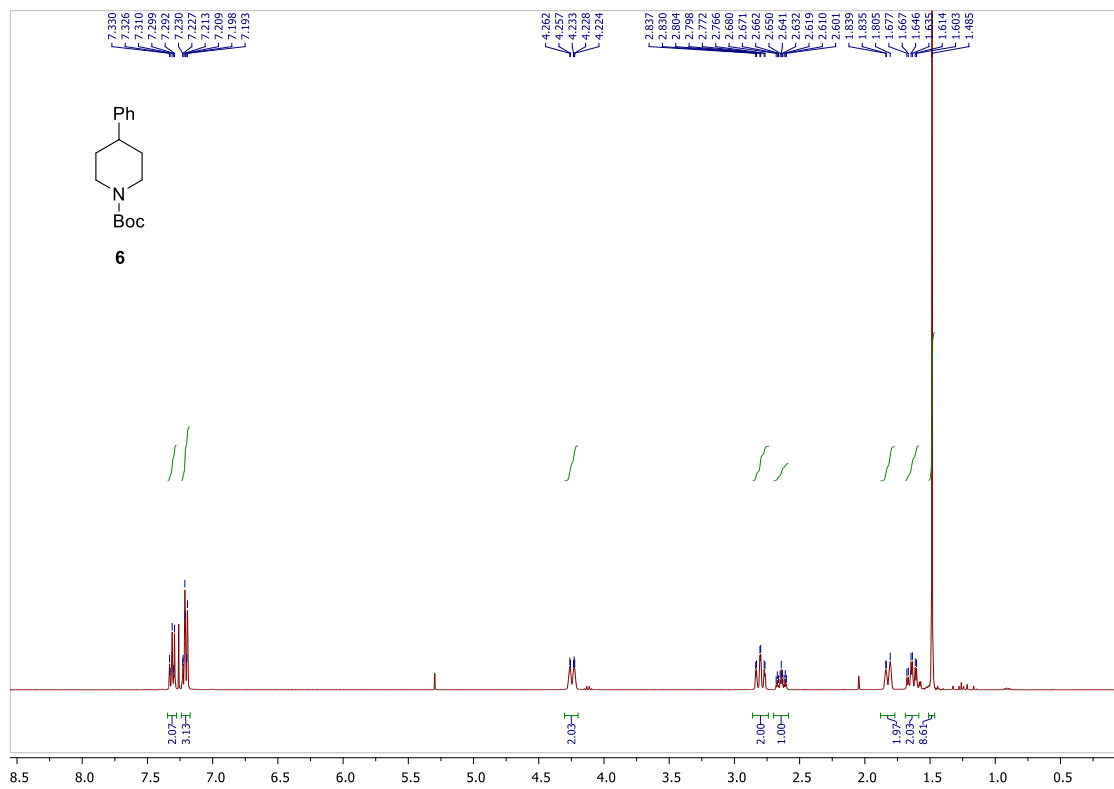
Et₂O (10 mL) was added to a flask equipped with a stirrer bar and ReactIR™ probe at rt under Ar. After cooling to -78 °C, a solution of (*S,S*)-**2** (403 mg, 1.3 mmol, 1.3 eq.) in Et₂O (2 mL) was added followed by a solution of *N*-Boc-4-phenyl piperidine **6** (261 mg, 1.0 mmol, 1.0 eq.) in Et₂O (2 mL). The solution was stirred for 5 min (to verify the stability of readout on ReactIR™). Then, *s*-BuLi (1.0 mL of a 1.3 M solution in hexanes, 1.3 mmol, 1.3 eq.) was added dropwise. The solution was stirred at -78 °C for 55 min.

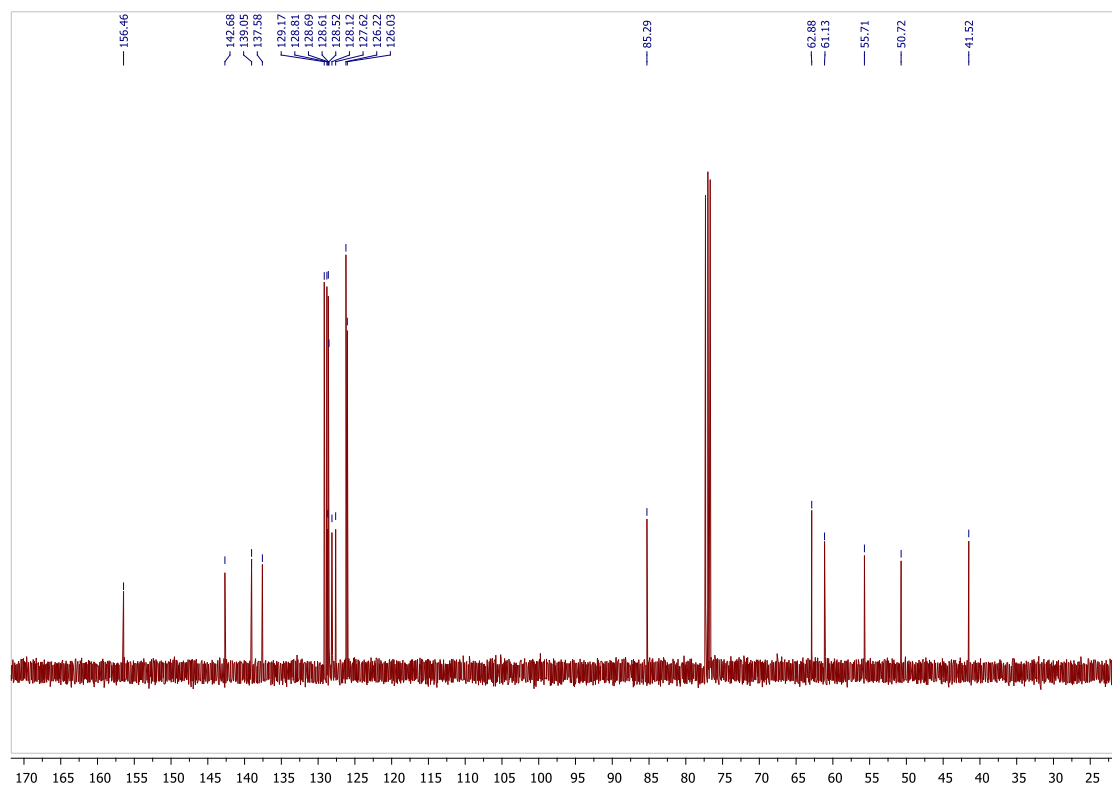
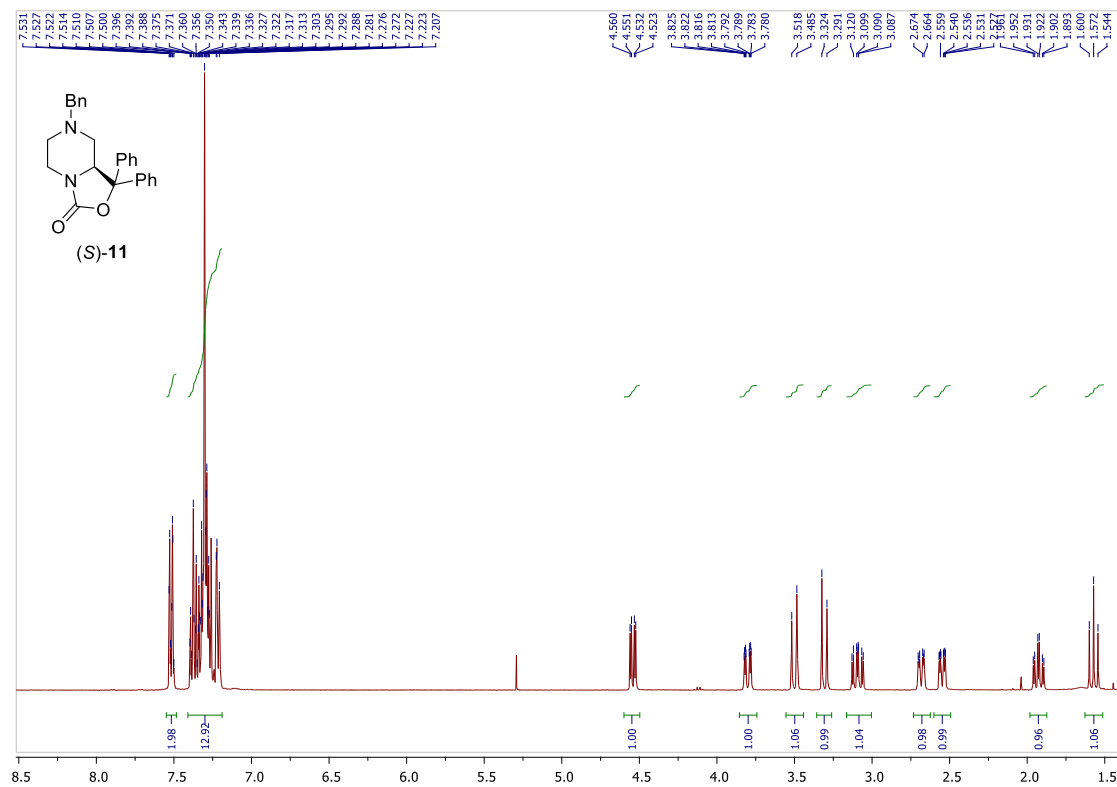
For *N*-Boc-*N'*-*tert*-butyl piperazine **6**, a peak at 1699 cm⁻¹ was observed and assigned to $\nu_{\text{C=O}}$. After addition of *s*-BuLi, a new peak at 1681 cm⁻¹ was observed which was assigned to $\nu_{\text{C=O}}$ in the pre-lithiation complex. A new peak at 1644 cm⁻¹ was observed which was assigned to $\nu_{\text{C=O}}$ in the lithiated intermediate. After a lithiation time of 20 min, incomplete lithiation of *N*-Boc-4-phenyl piperidine **6** to give the lithiated intermediate was observed.

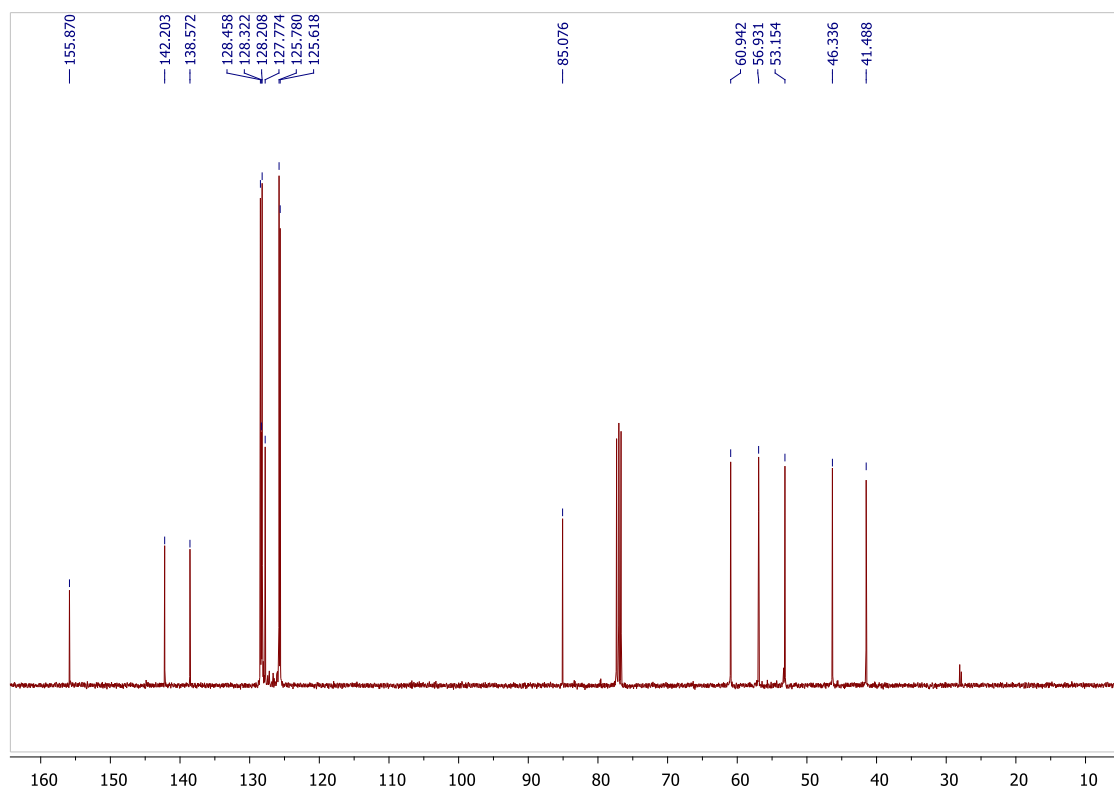
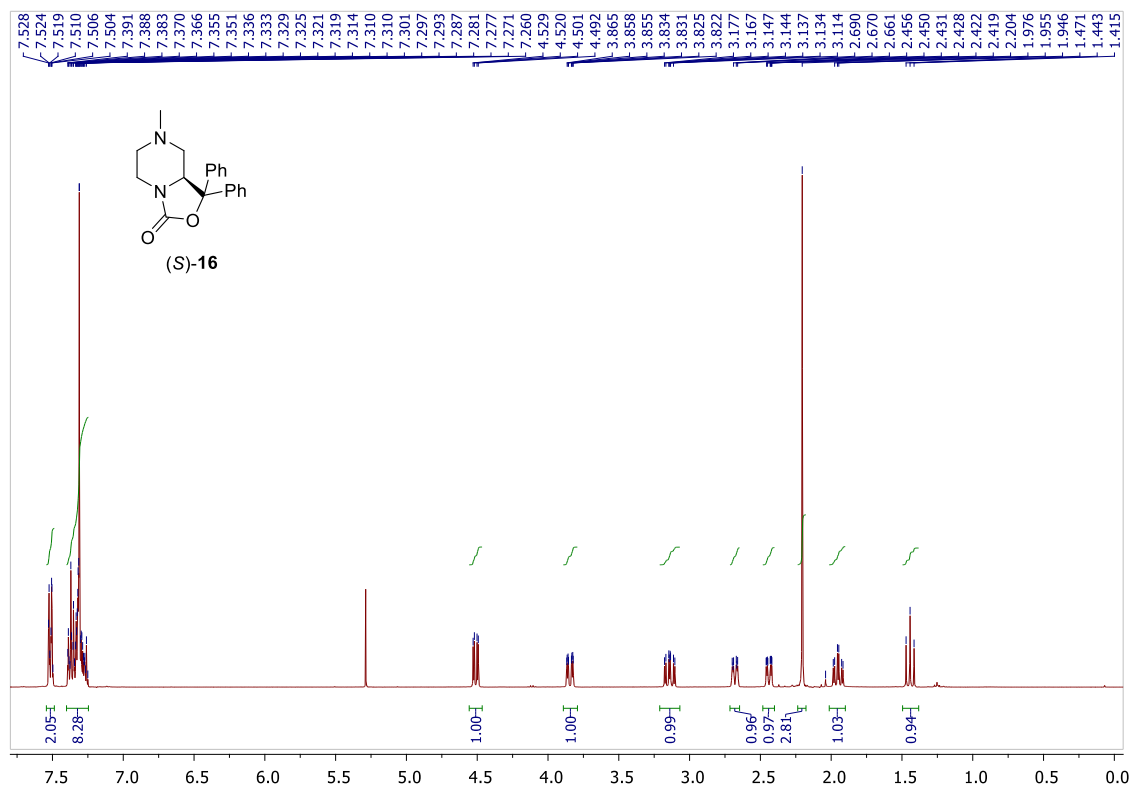
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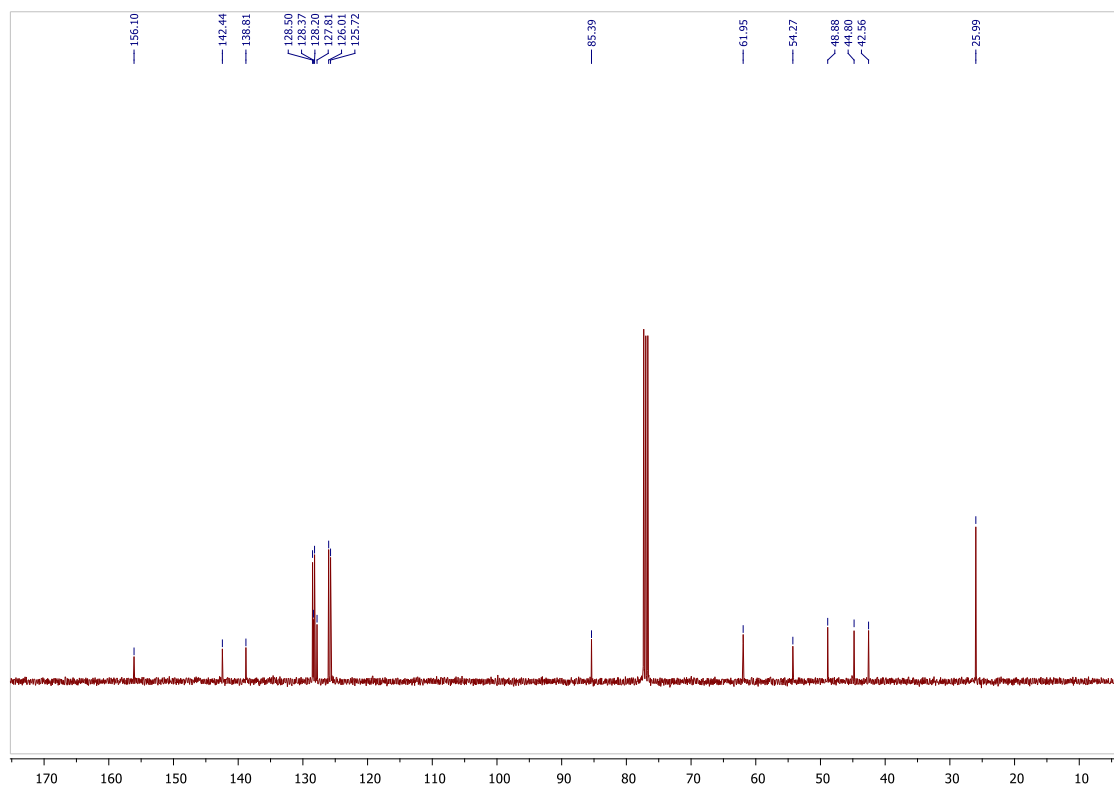
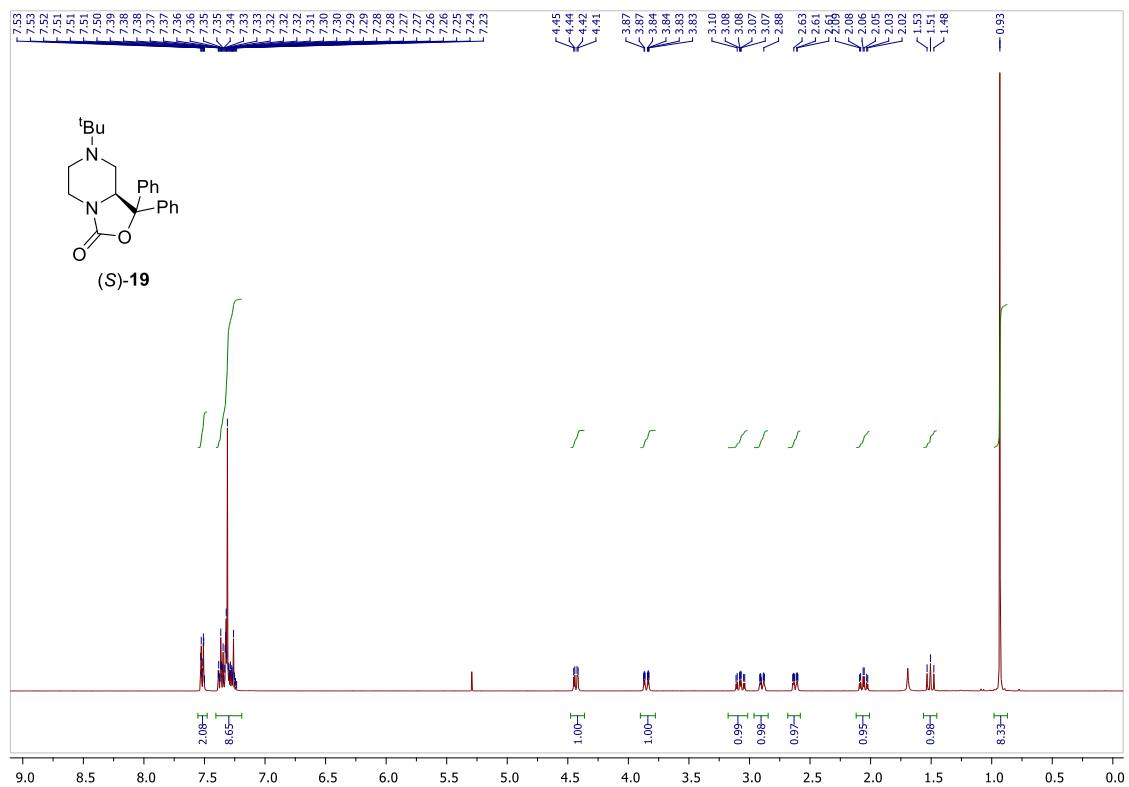
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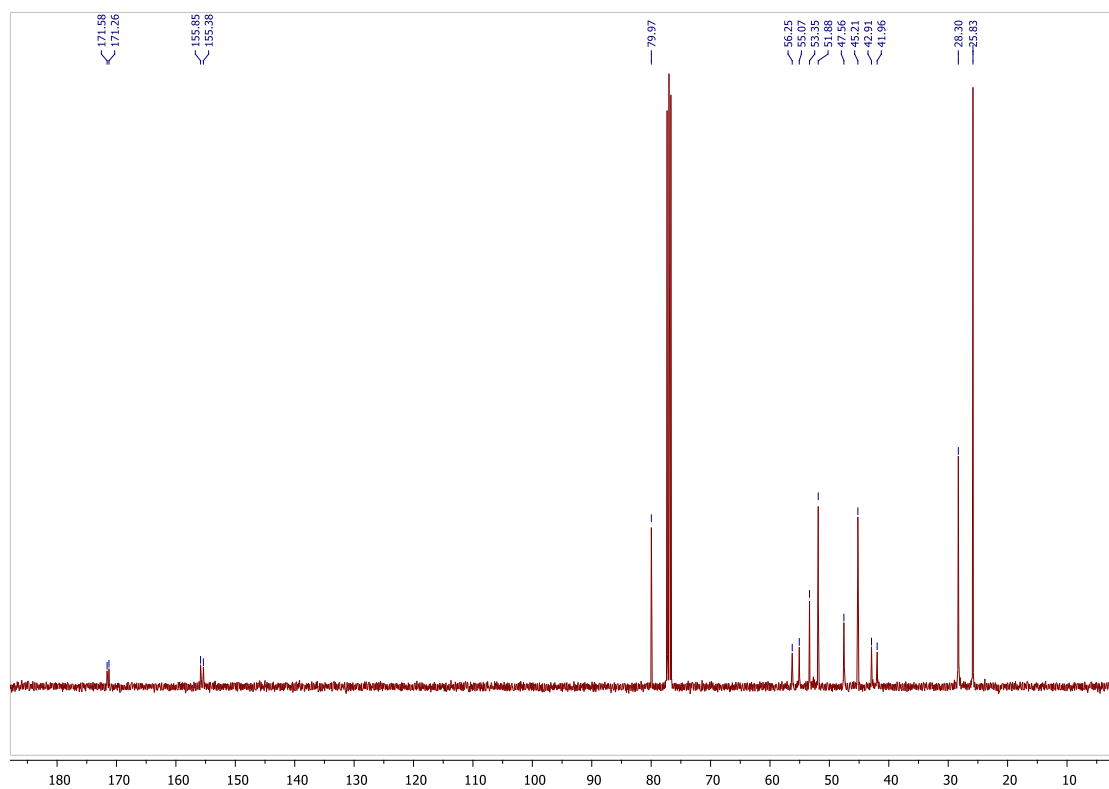
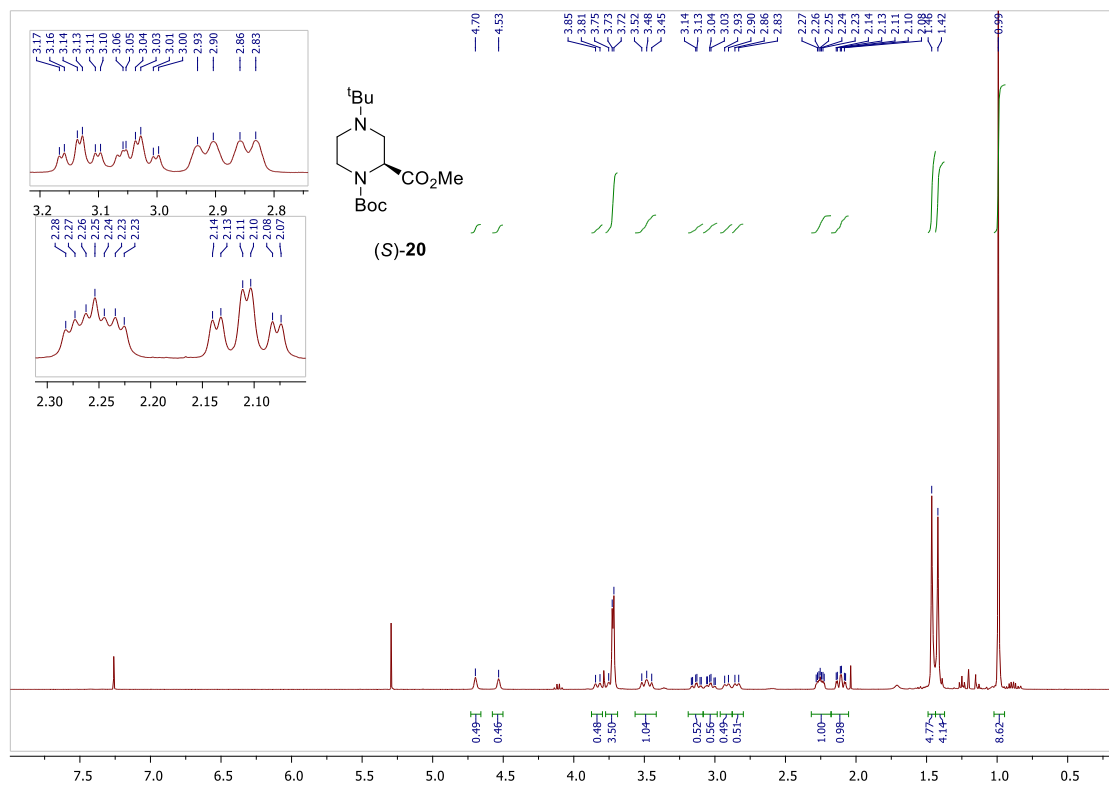
400 MHz ^1H NMR spectrum; 100.6 MHz ^{13}C NMR spectrum; CDCl_3 

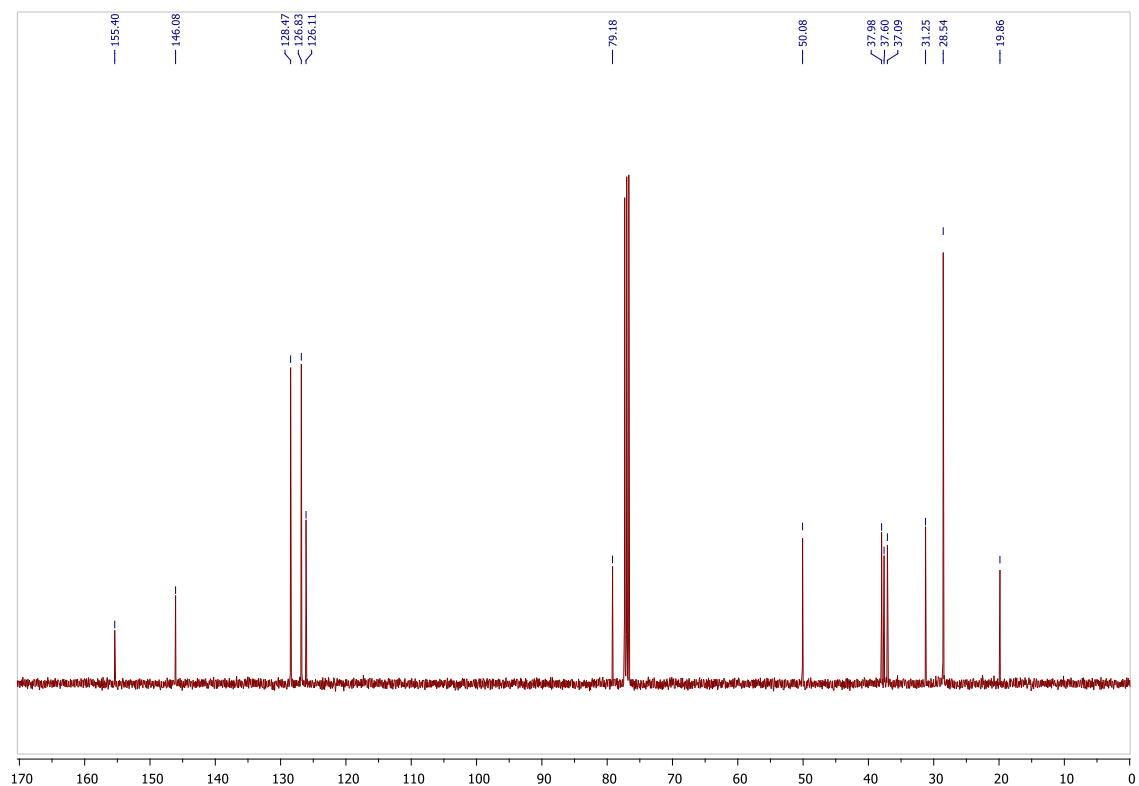
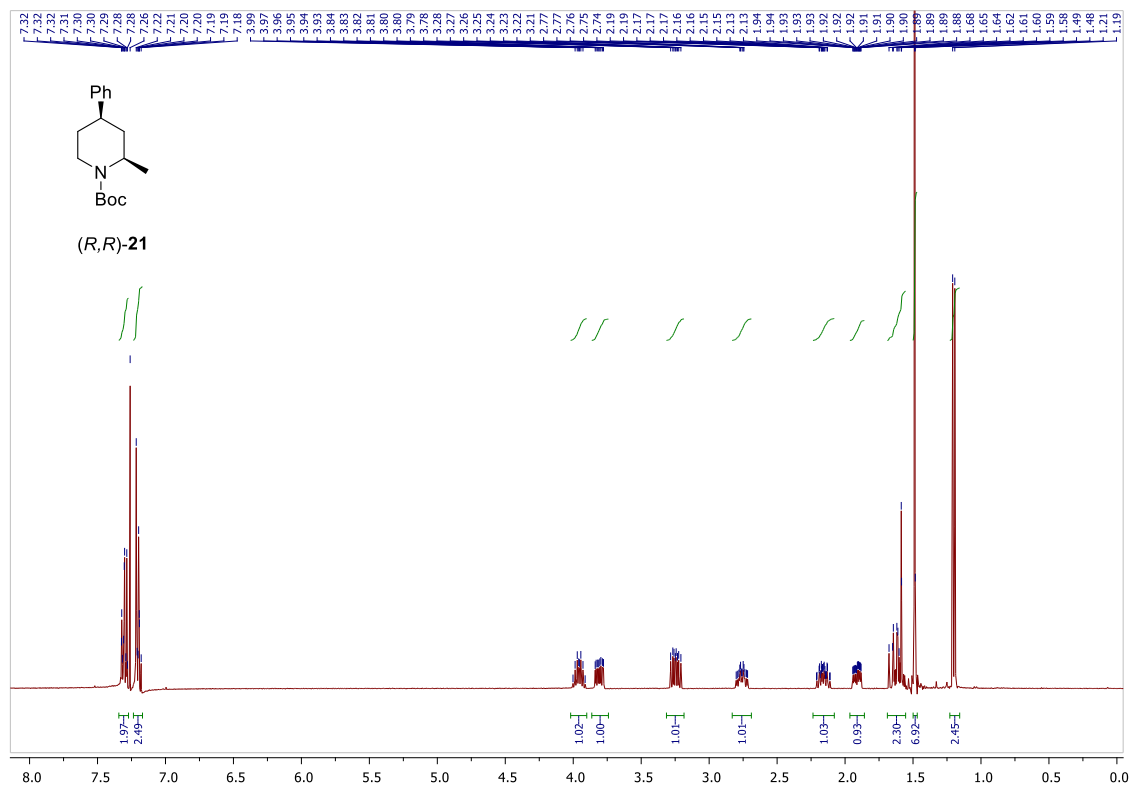
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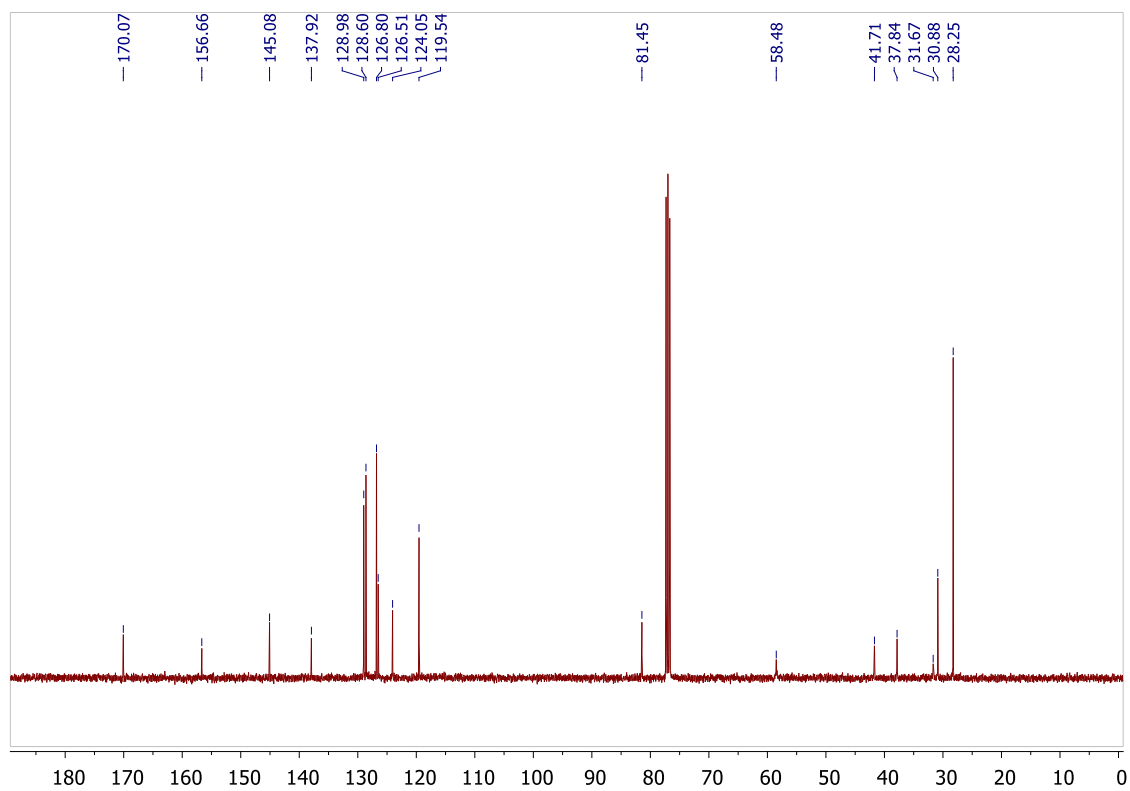
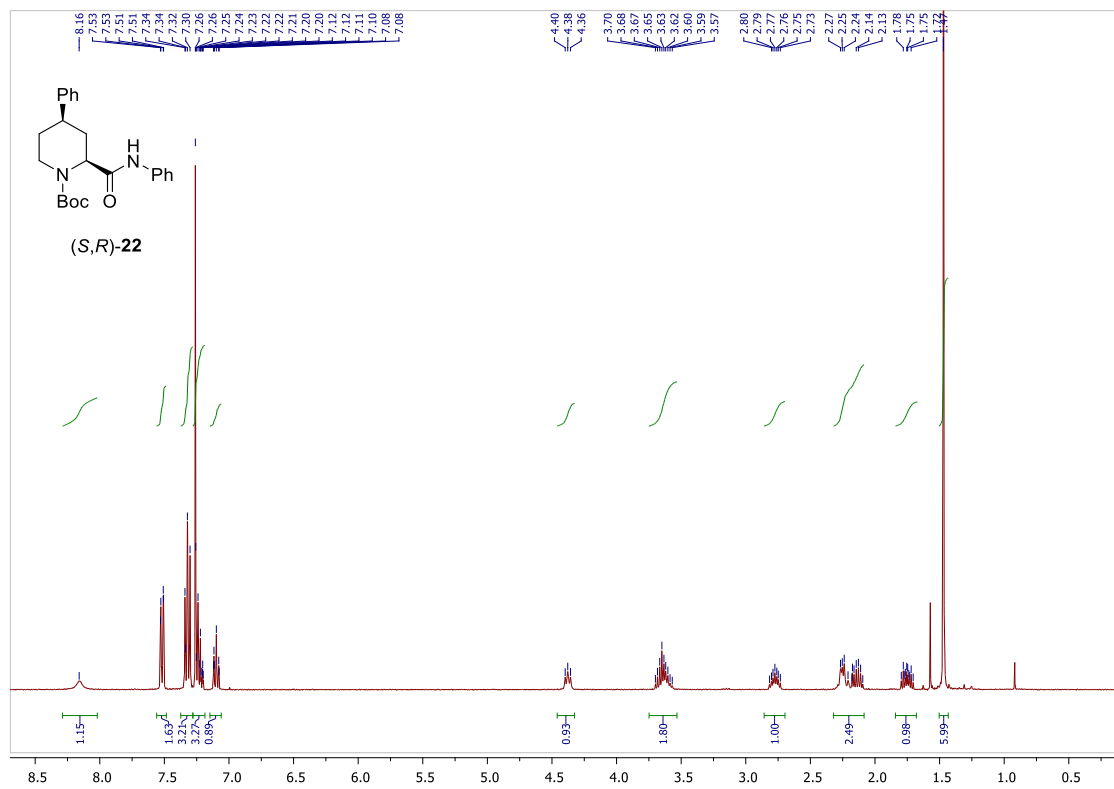
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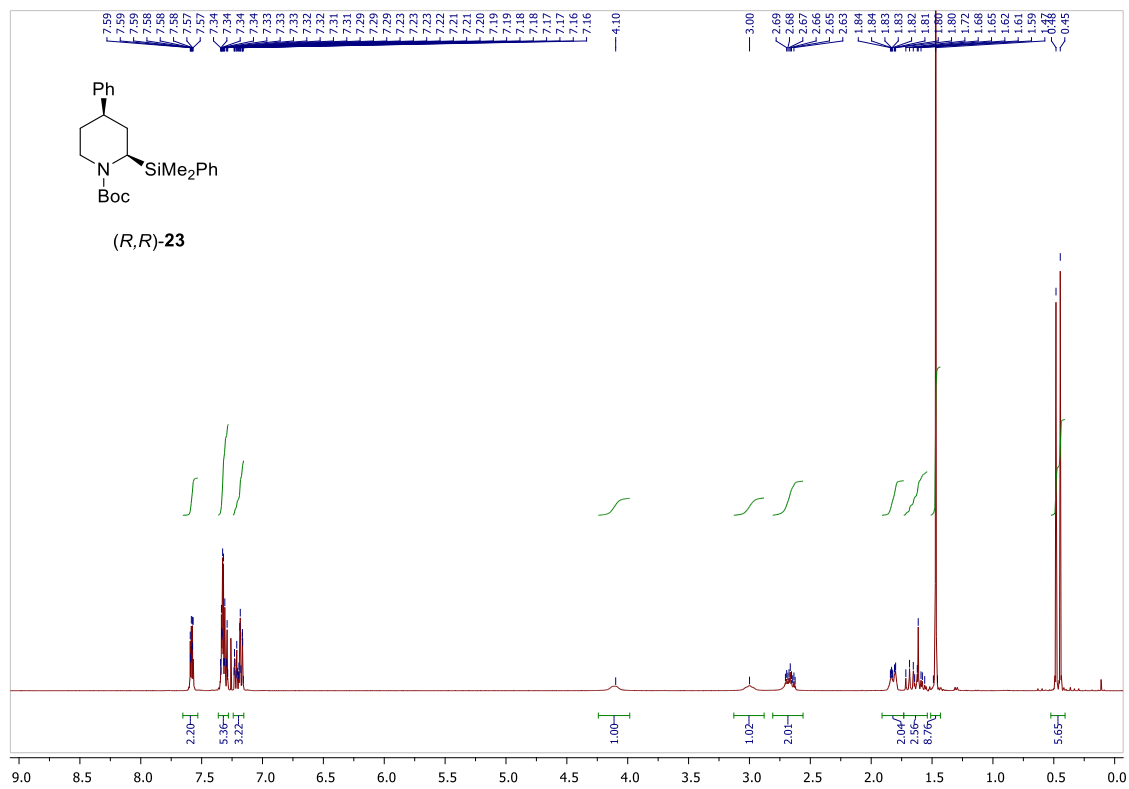
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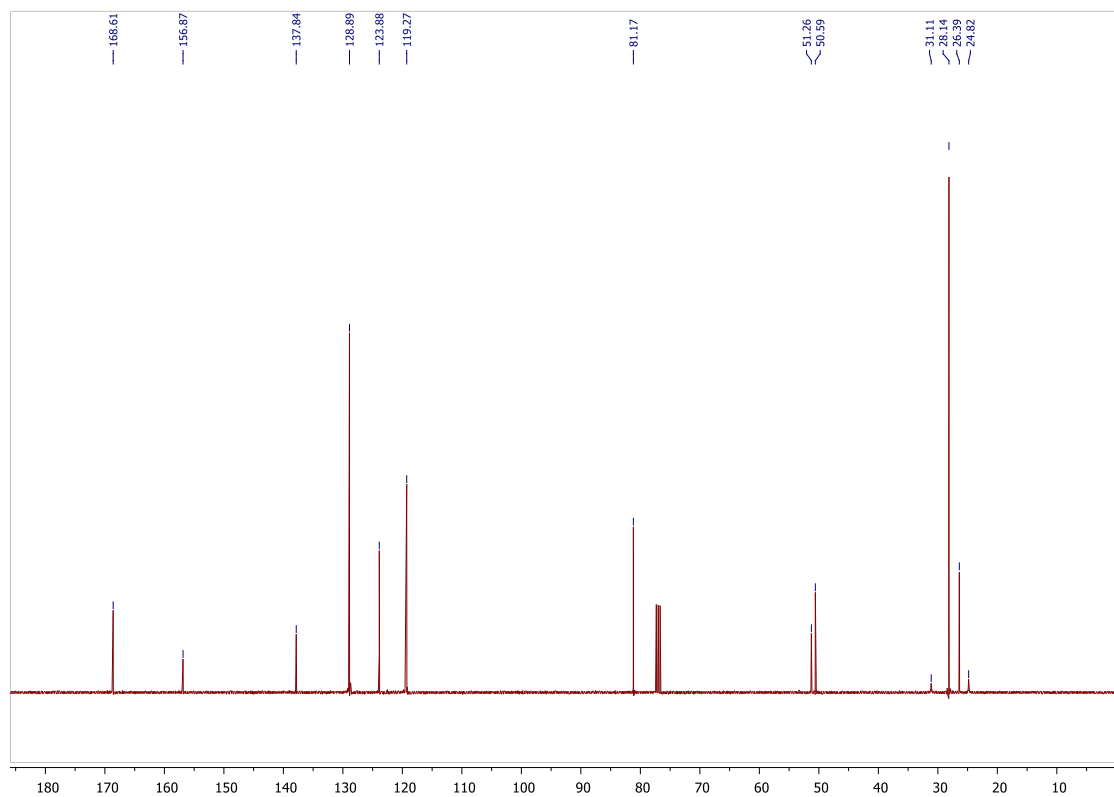
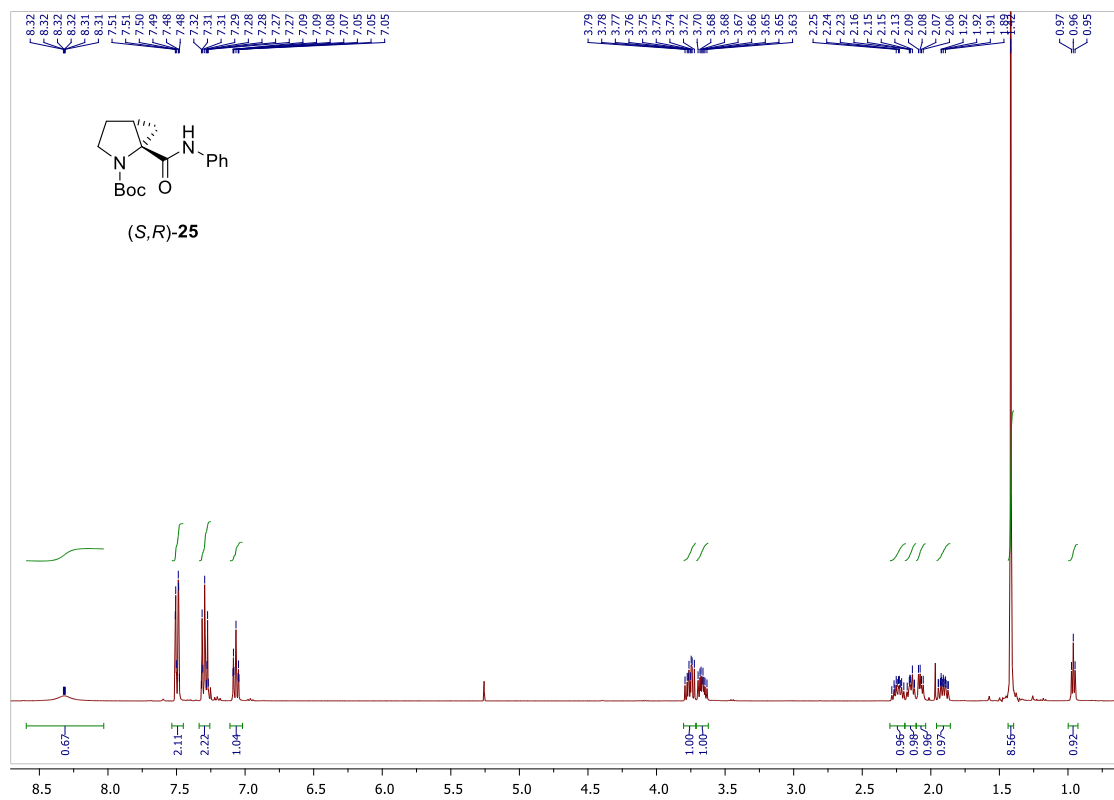
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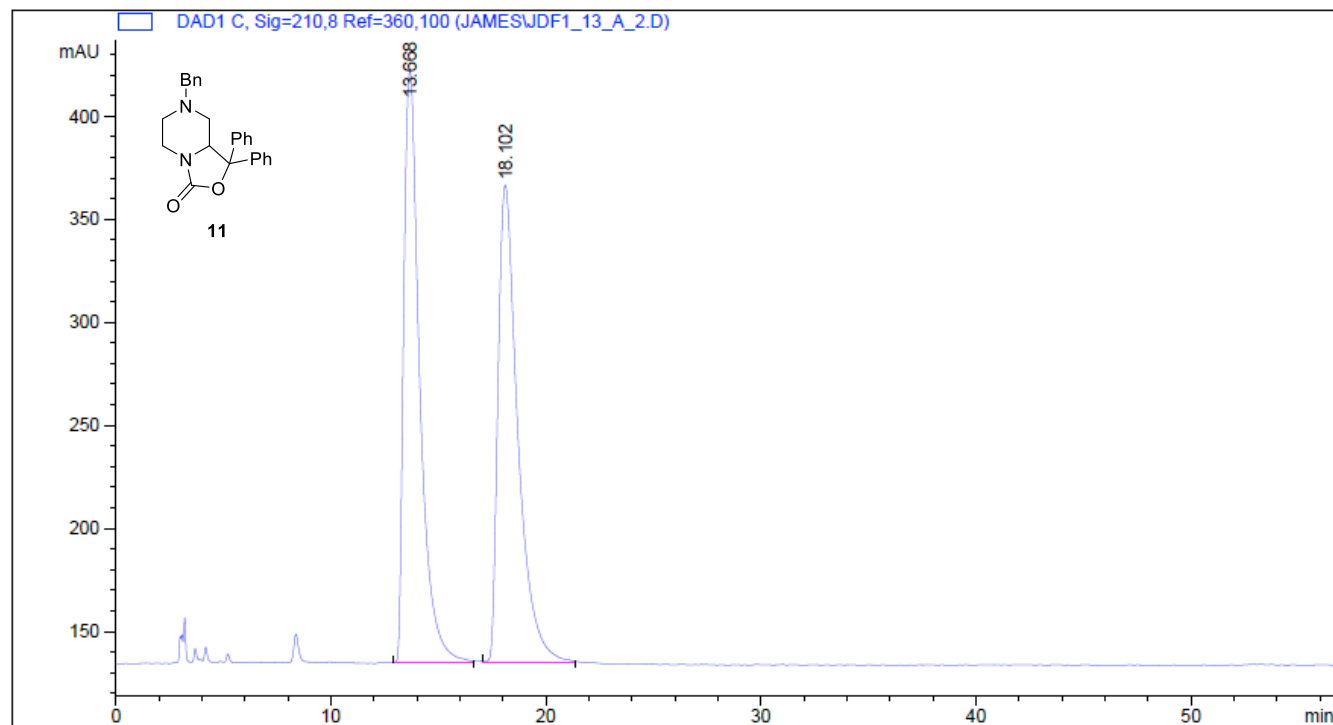
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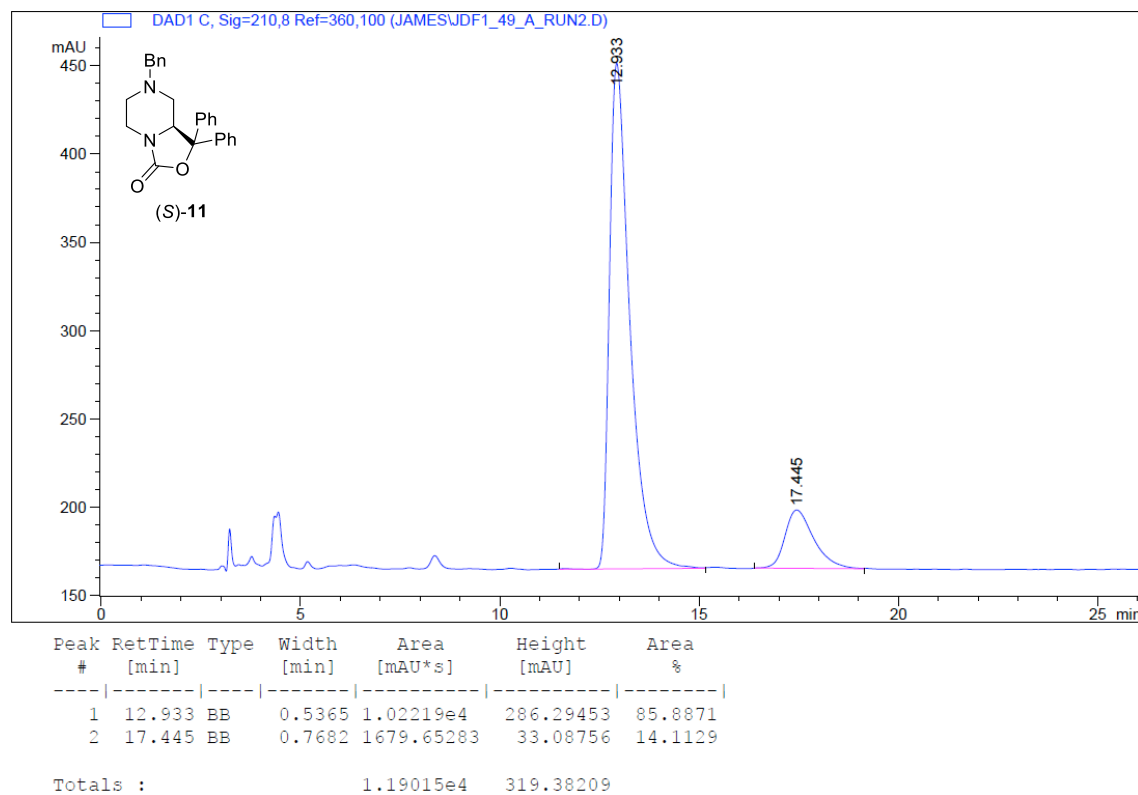
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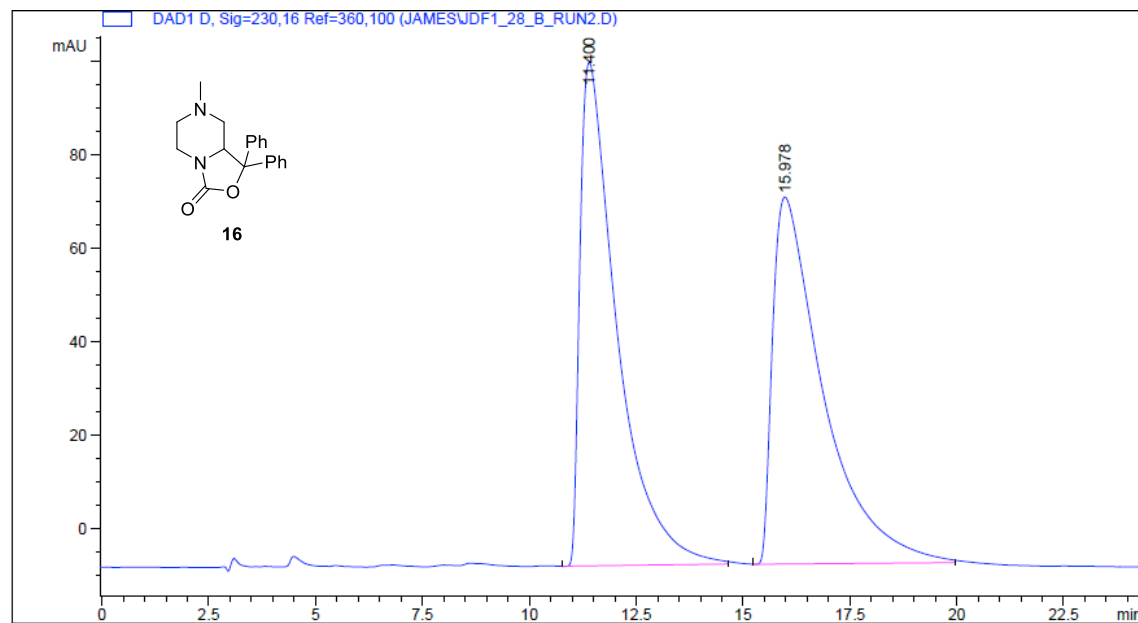
Racemic **11**. Chiralcel OD-H (90:10 hexane:*i*-PrOH, 1.0 mL min⁻¹)



Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	13.668	BB	0.7894	1.49061e4	287.26361	50.0736
2	18.102	BB	0.9558	1.48623e4	231.87677	49.9264

Enantioenriched (*S*)-**11**, using diamine (*S,S*)-**2**. Chiralcel OD-H (90:10 hexane:*i*-PrOH, 1.0 mL min⁻¹)

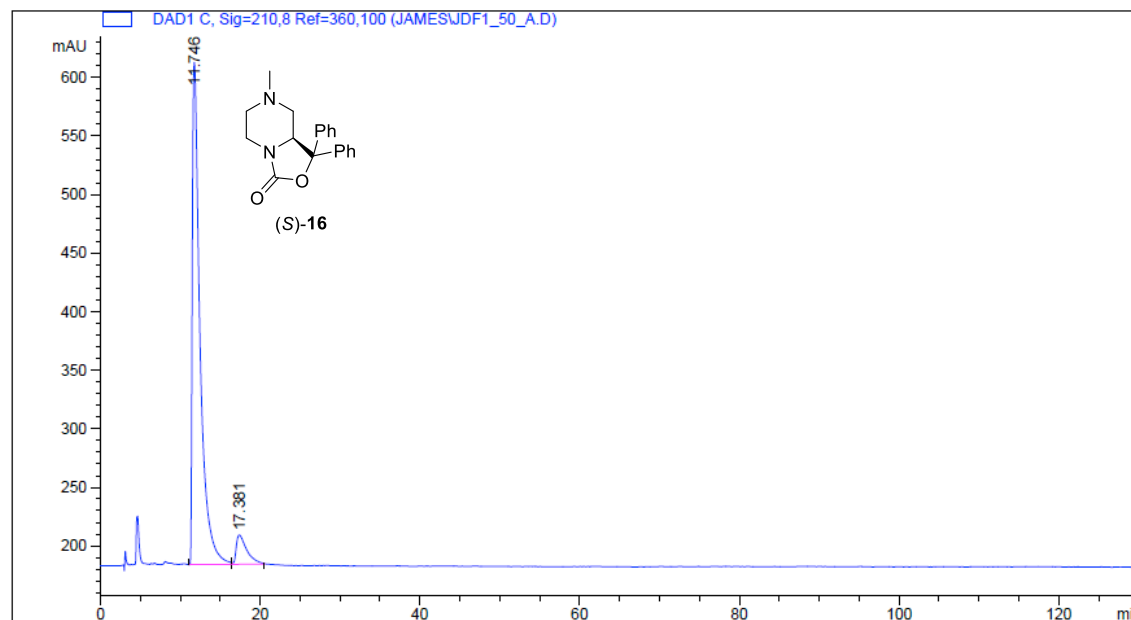


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1	11.400	BB	0.8865	6493.20264	107.82948	50.1384
2	15.978	BB	1.2305	6457.36572	78.59532	49.8616
Totals :				1.29506e4	186.42480	

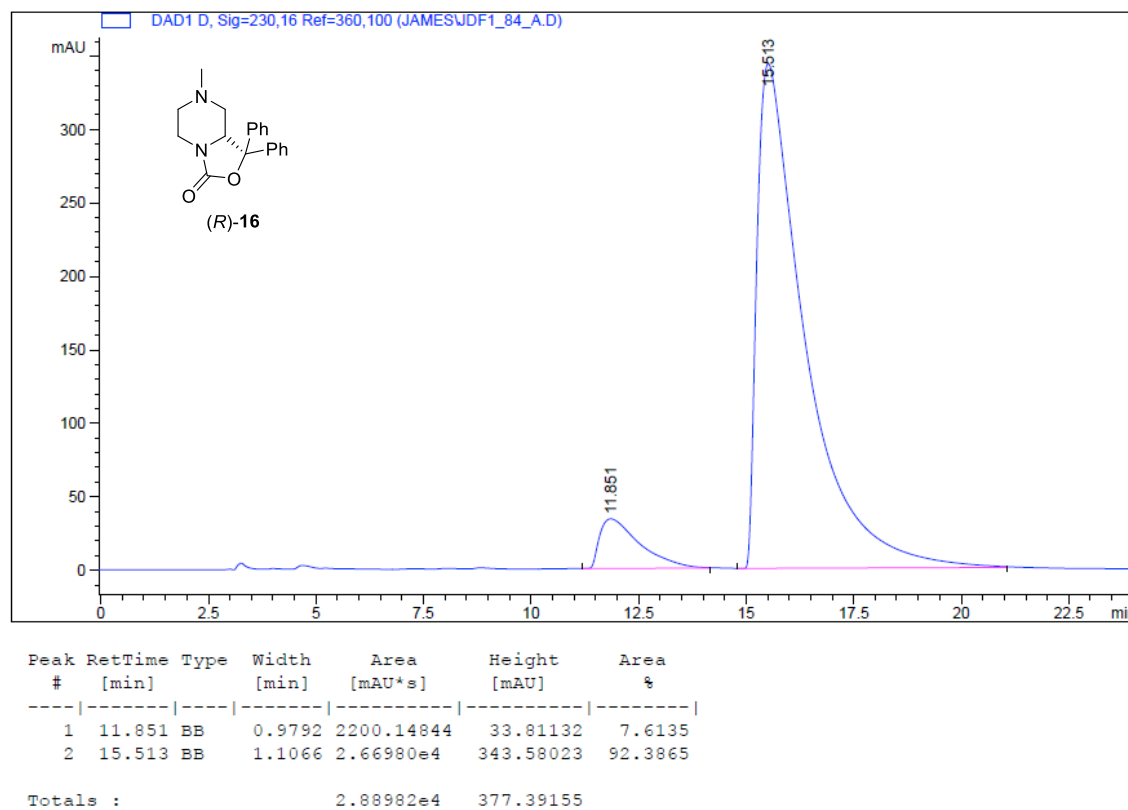
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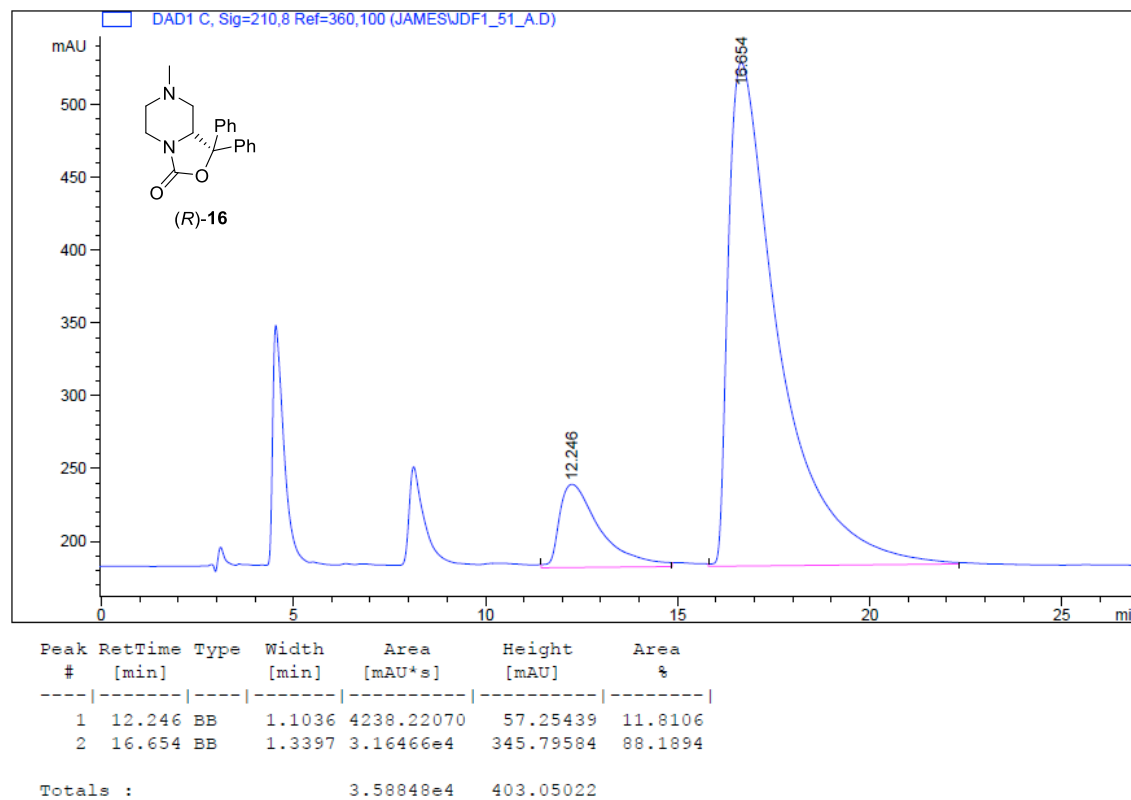


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1	11.746	BB	0.9935	2.88723e4	428.80032	92.4943
2	17.381	BB	1.3353	2342.91553	25.13926	7.5057
Totals :				3.12152e4	453.93958	

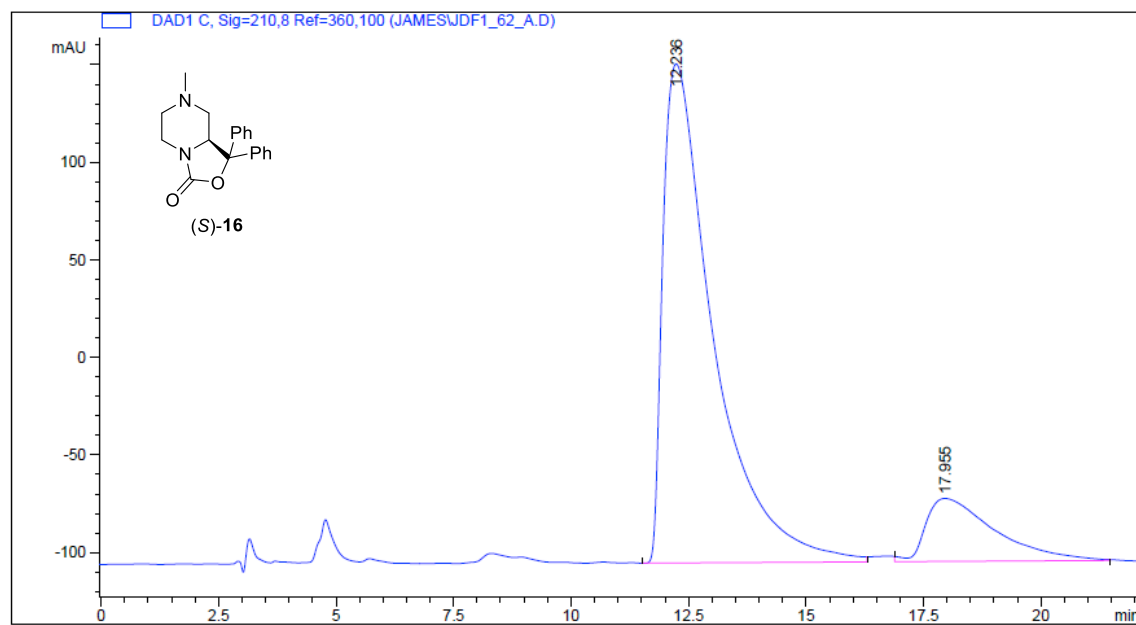
Enantioenriched (*R*)-**16**, using diamine (*R,R*)-**3**. Chiralcel AD-H (90:10 hexane:*i*-PrOH, 1.0 mL min⁻¹)



Enantioenriched (*R*)-**16**, using (–)-sparteine. Chiralcel AD-H (90:10 hexane:*i*-PrOH, 1.0 mL min⁻¹)

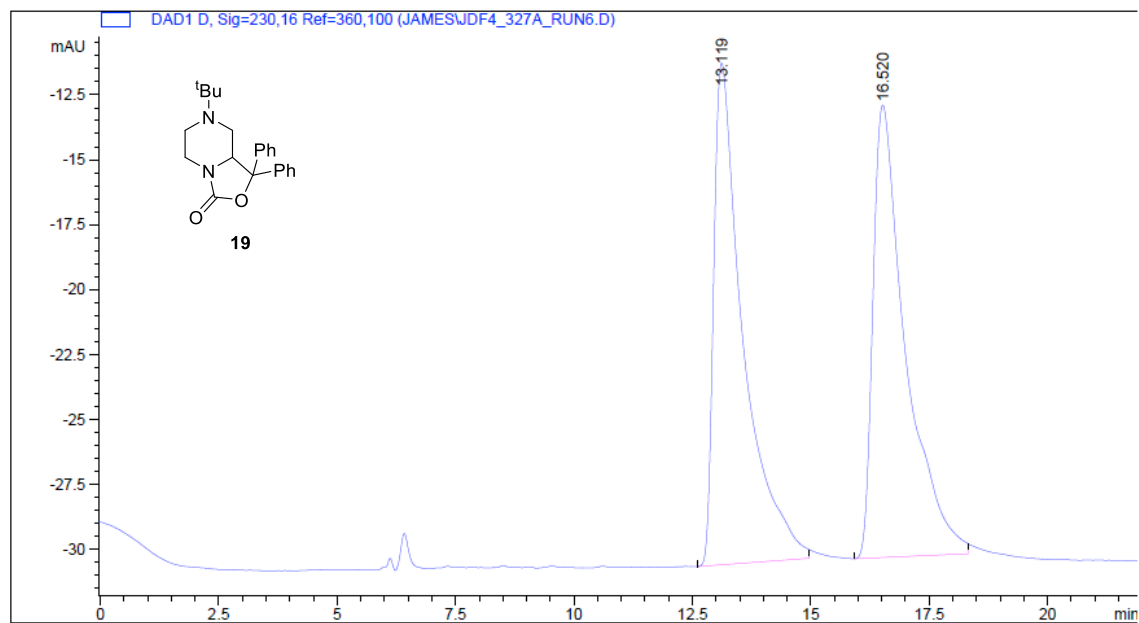


Enantioenriched (*S*)-**16**, using diamine (+)-**1**. Chiralcel AD-H (90:10 hexane:*i*-PrOH, 1.0 mL min⁻¹)



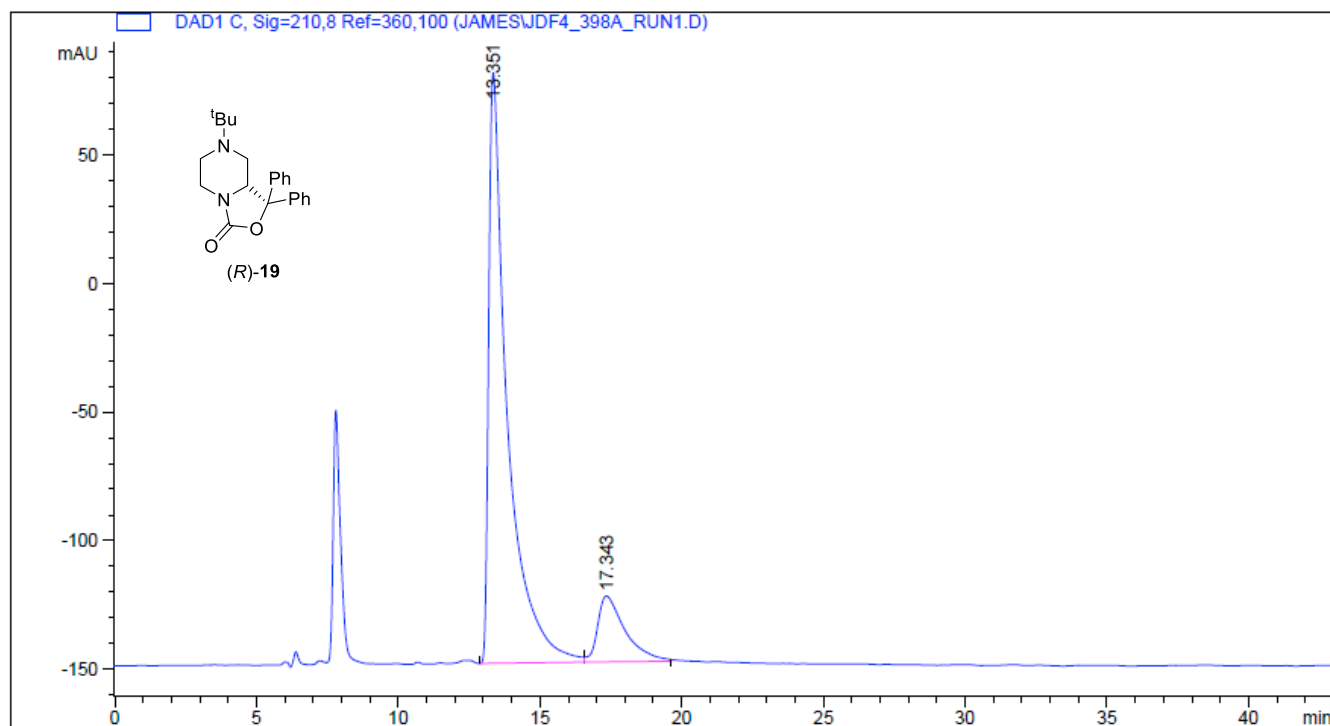
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1	12.236	BB	1.1043	1.91344e4	255.91879	85.2483
2	17.955	BB	1.5216	3311.09180	32.36372	14.7517

Totals : 2.24455e4 288.28252

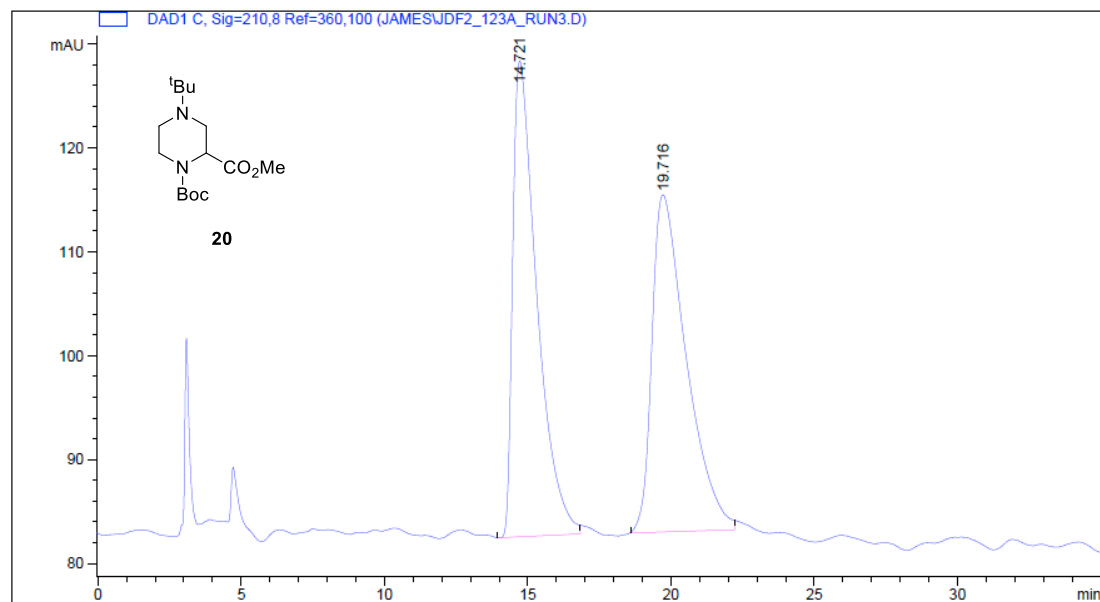
Racemic **19**. Chiralcel OD-H (90:10 hexane:*i*-PrOH, 0.5 mL min⁻¹)

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1	13.119	BB	0.6112	833.30585	19.31993	50.0240
2	16.520	BB	0.6896	832.50720	17.41784	49.9760

Totals : 1665.81305 36.73777

Enantioenriched (*R*)-**19**. Chiralcel OD-H (90:10 hexane:*i*-PrOH, 0.5 mL min⁻¹)

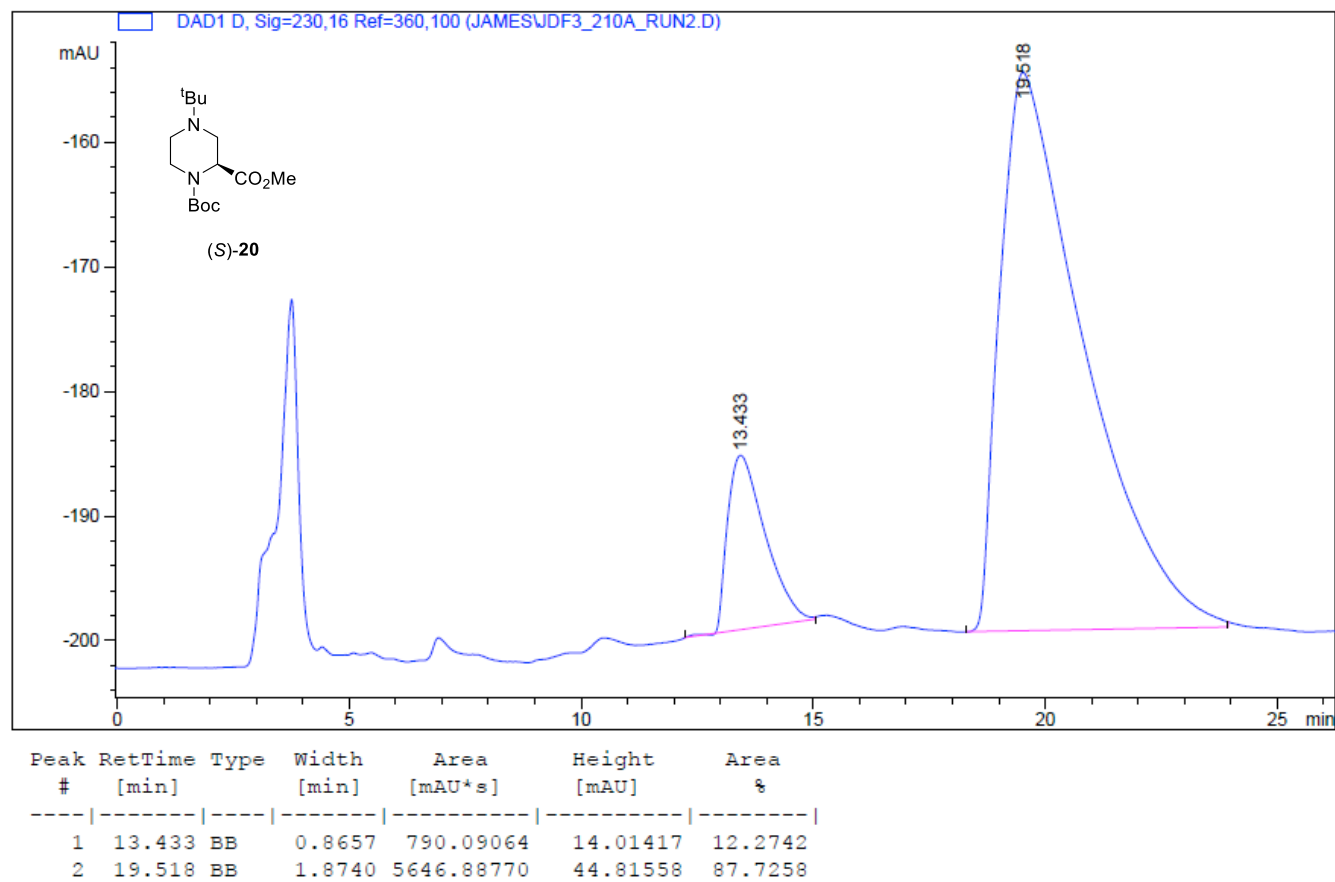
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2	17.343	BB	0.9972	1738.36218	25.69930	14.1344
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Racemic **20**. Chiralcel AD (99:1 hexane:*i*-PrOH, 1.0 mL min⁻¹)

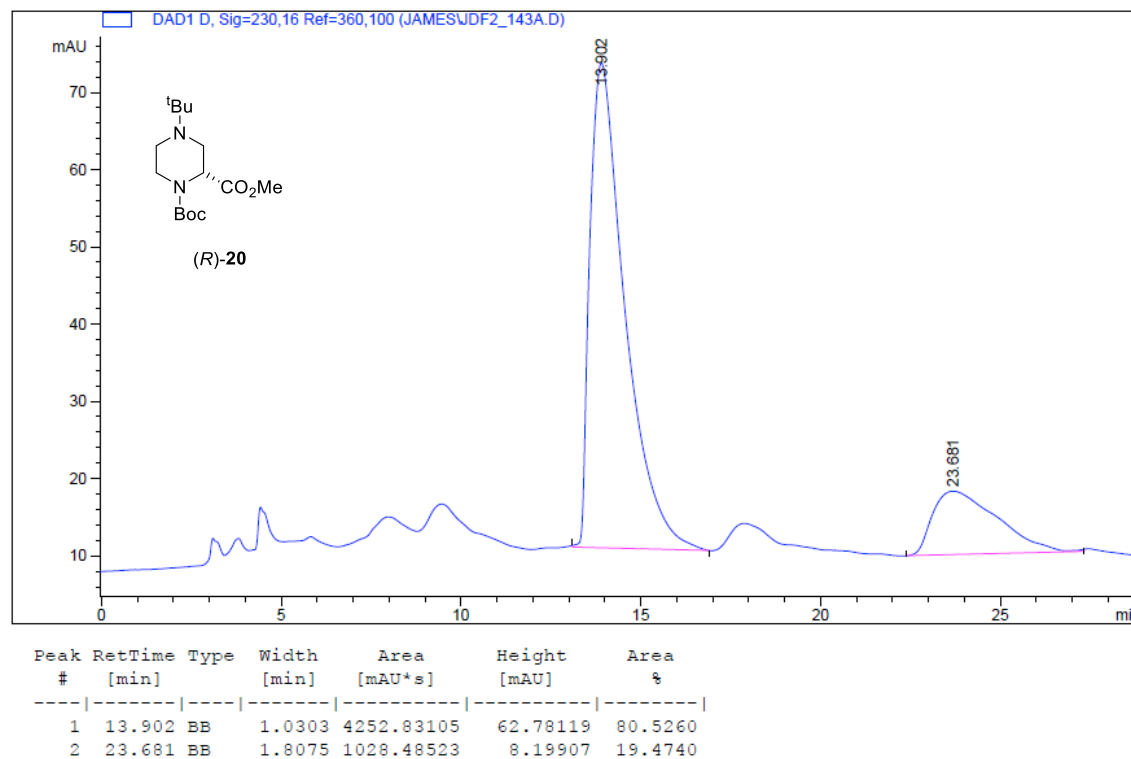
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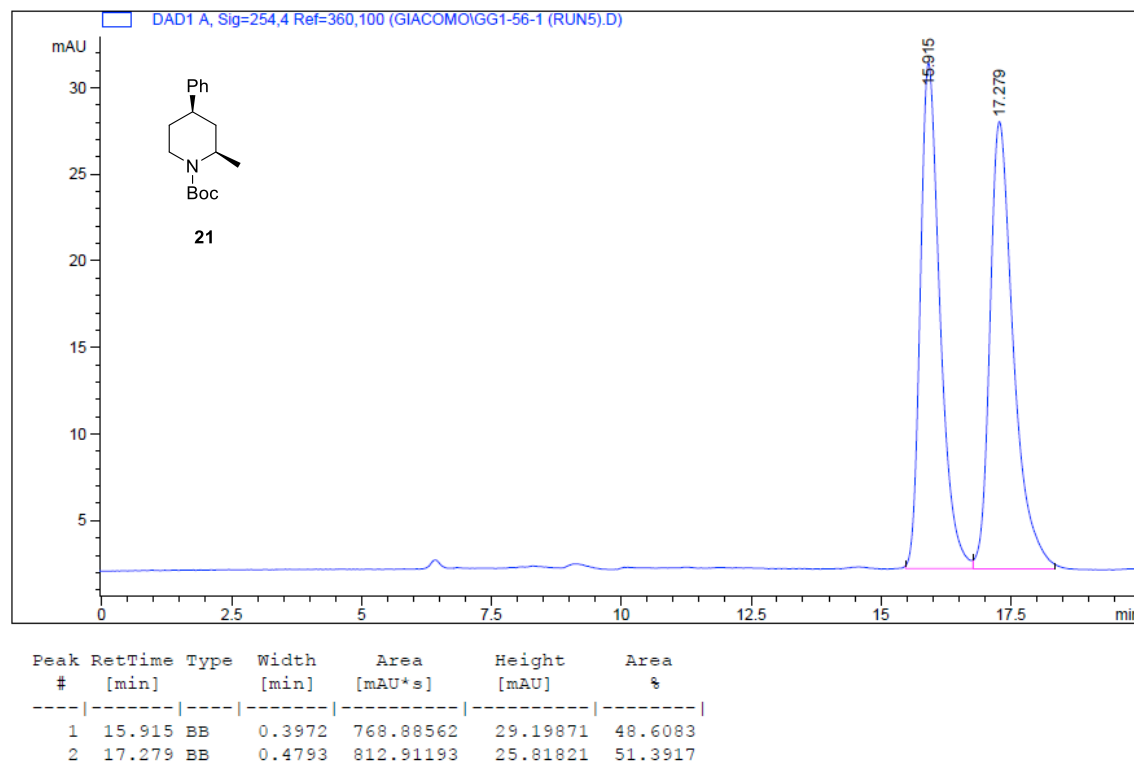
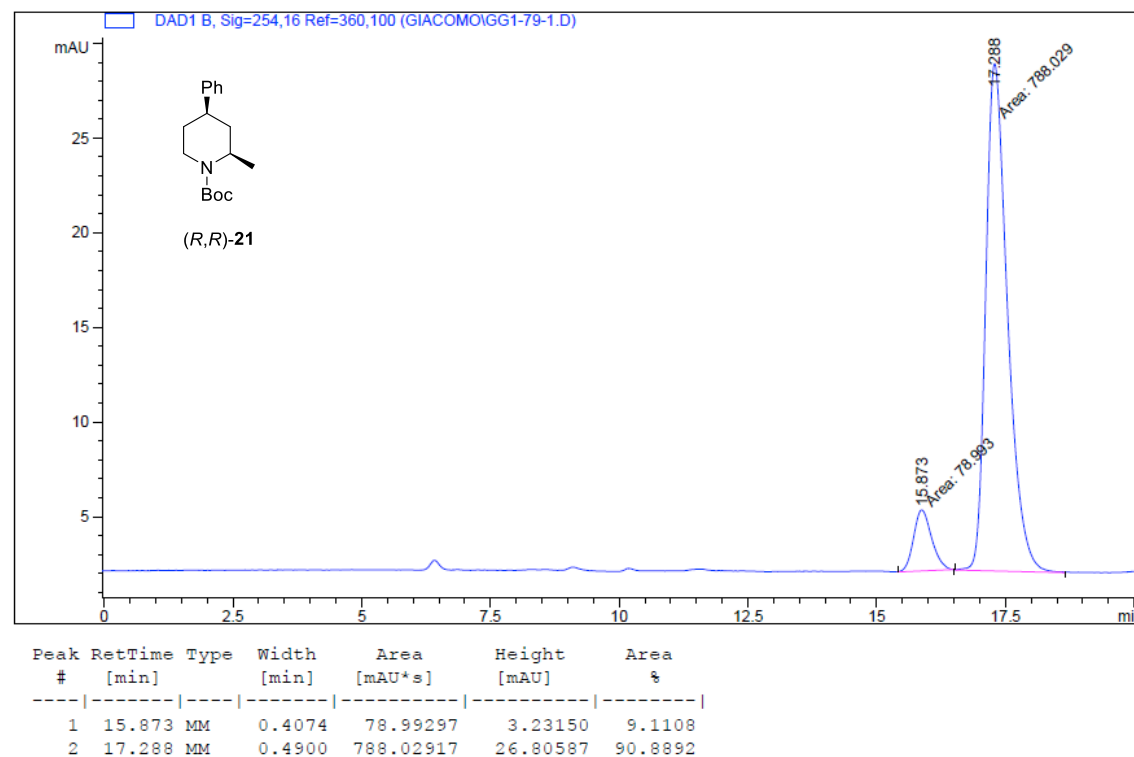
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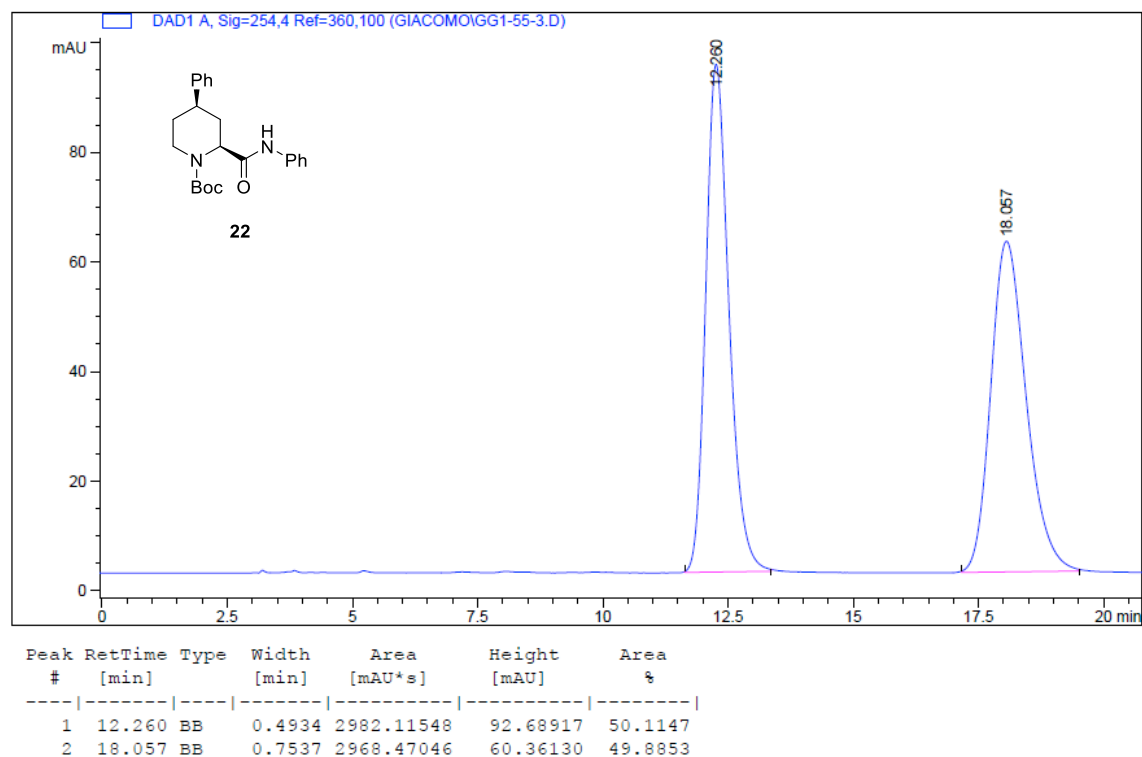
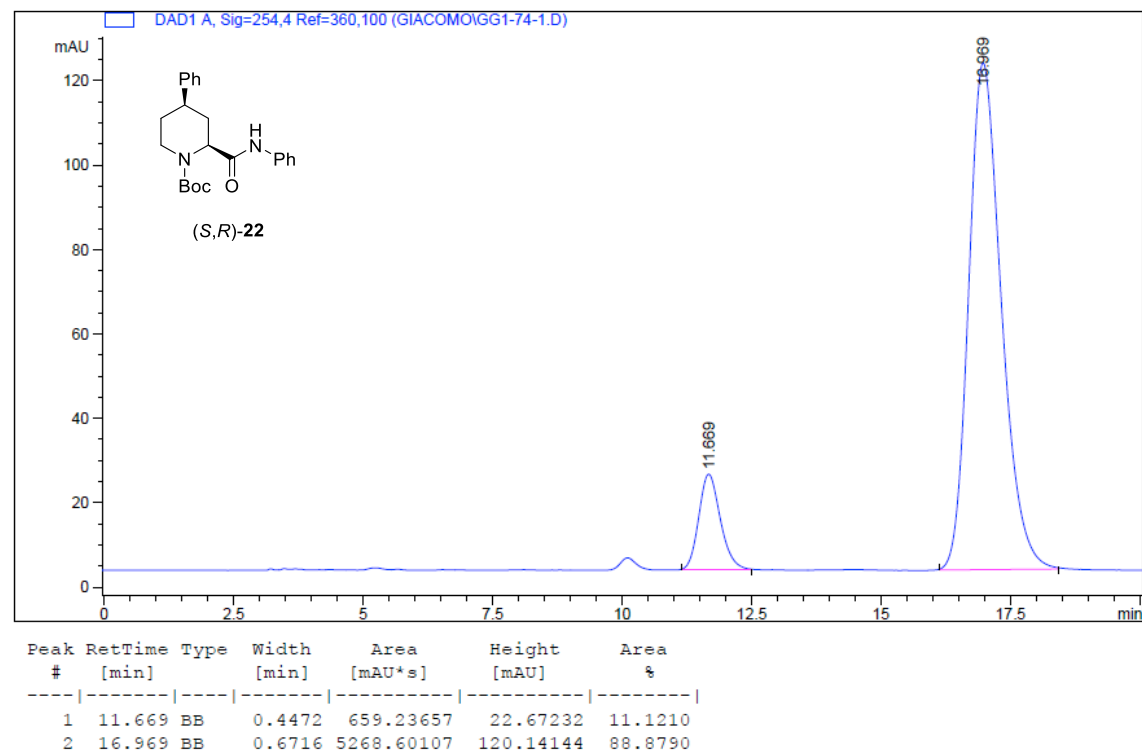
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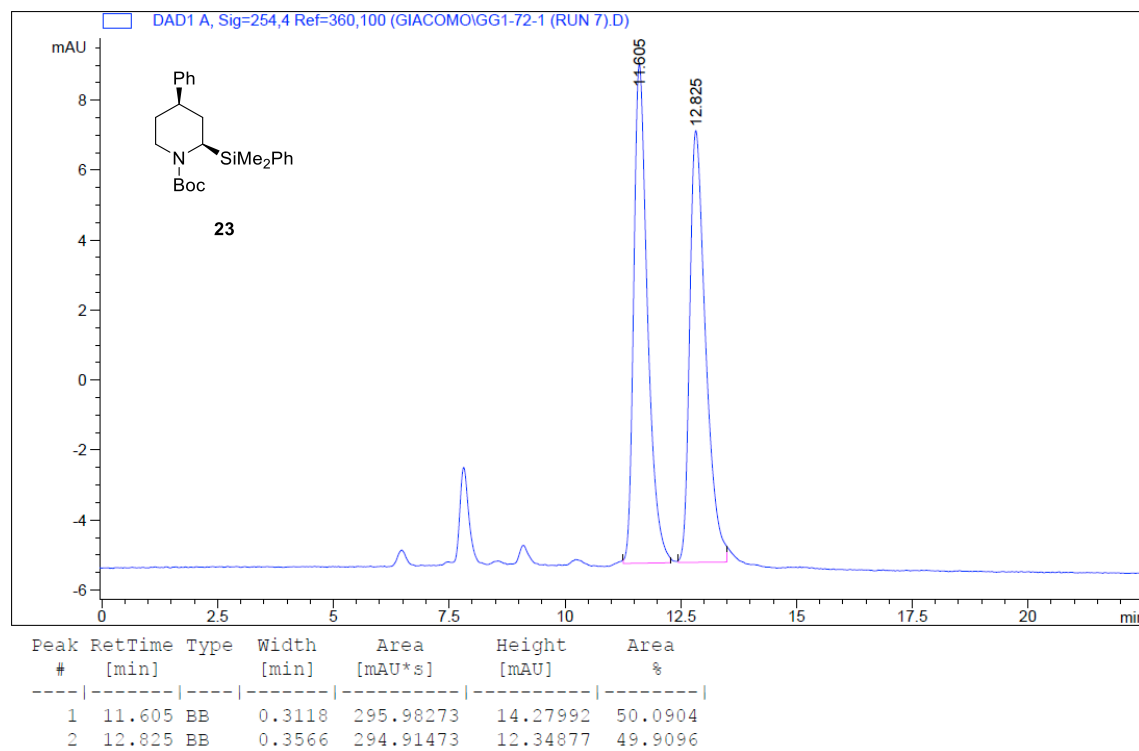
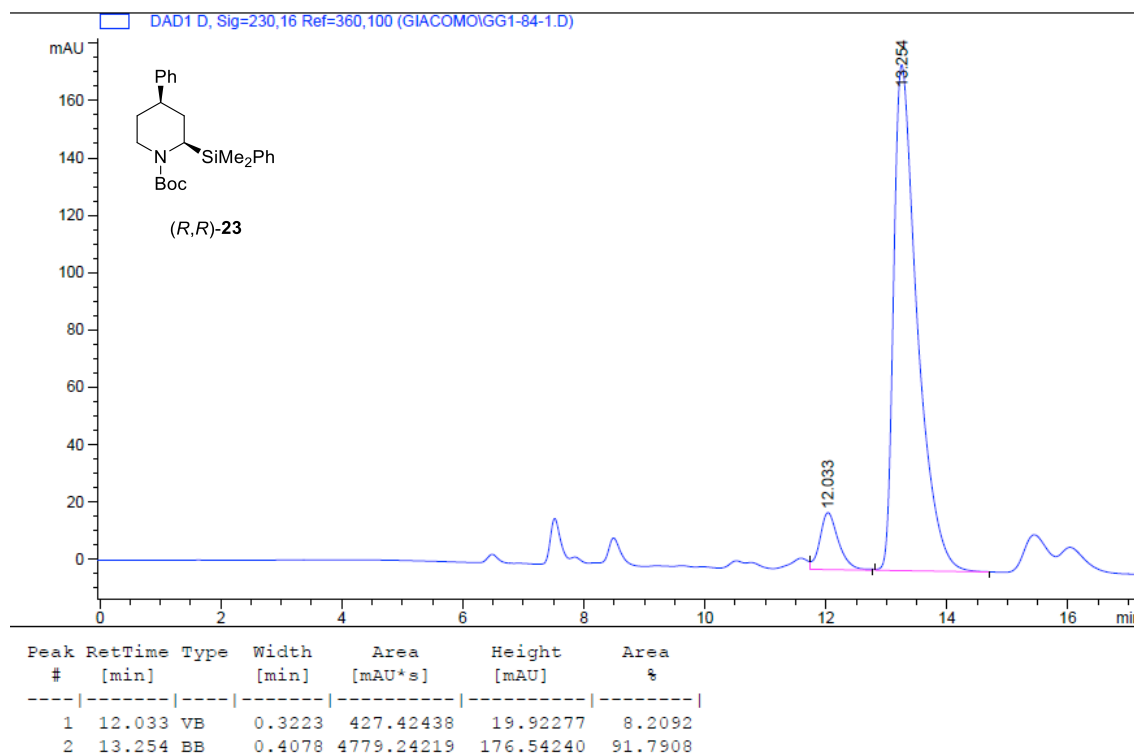


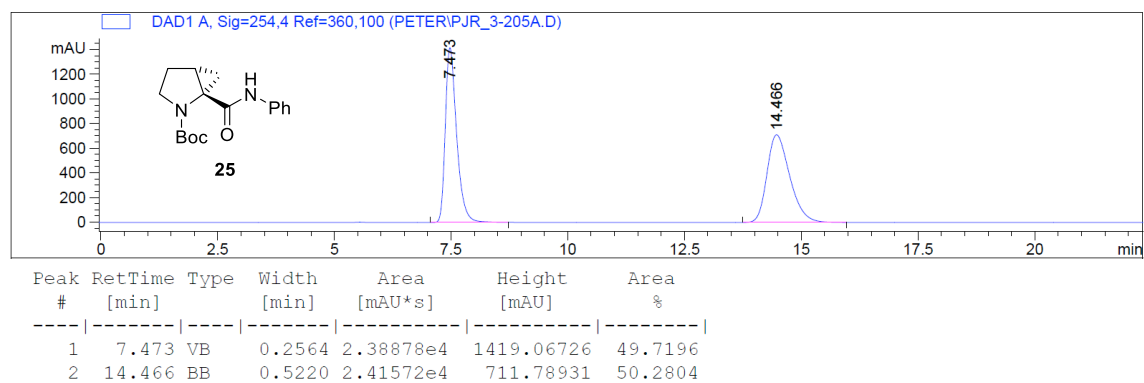
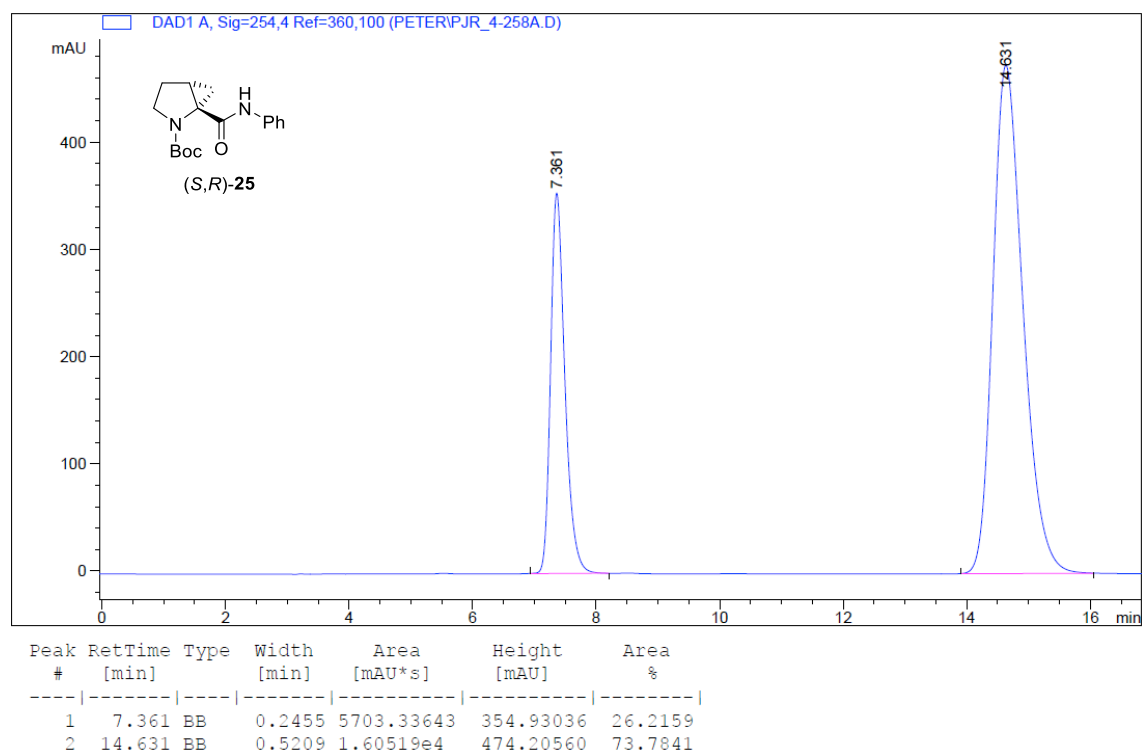
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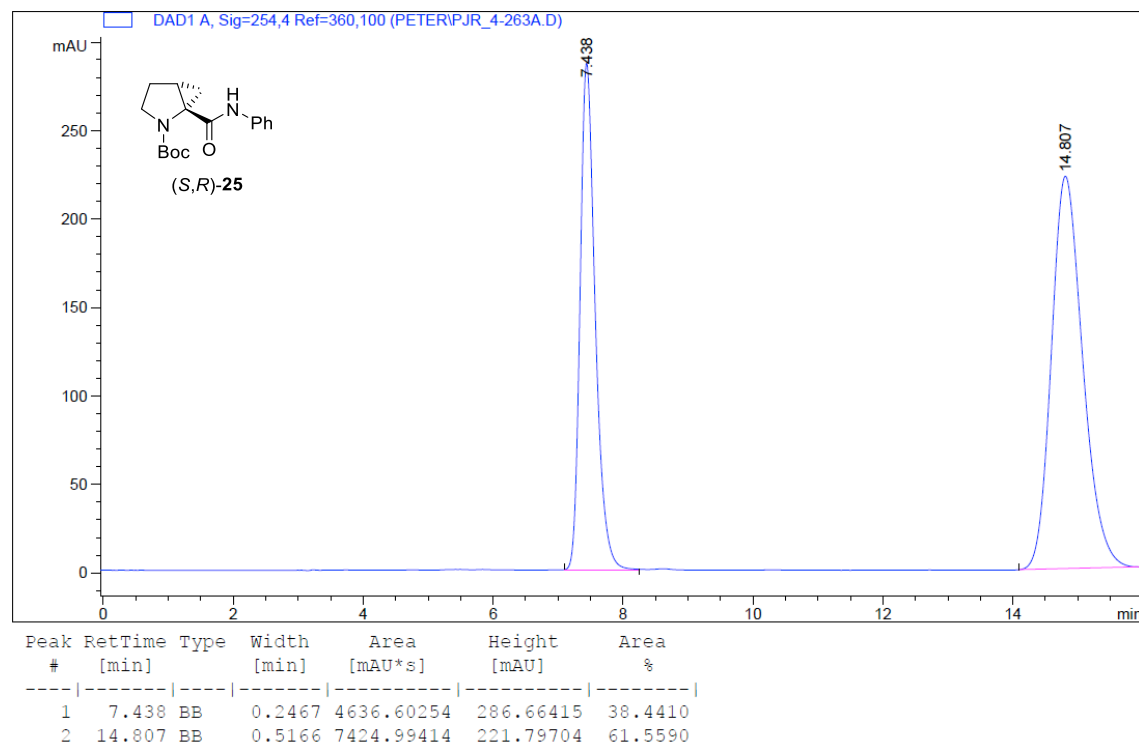
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Racemic **22**. Chiralcel OD (90:10 hexane-*i*-PrOH, 1.0 mL min⁻¹)Enantioenriched (*S,R*)-**22**. Chiralcel OD (90:10 hexane-*i*-PrOH, 1.0 mL min⁻¹)

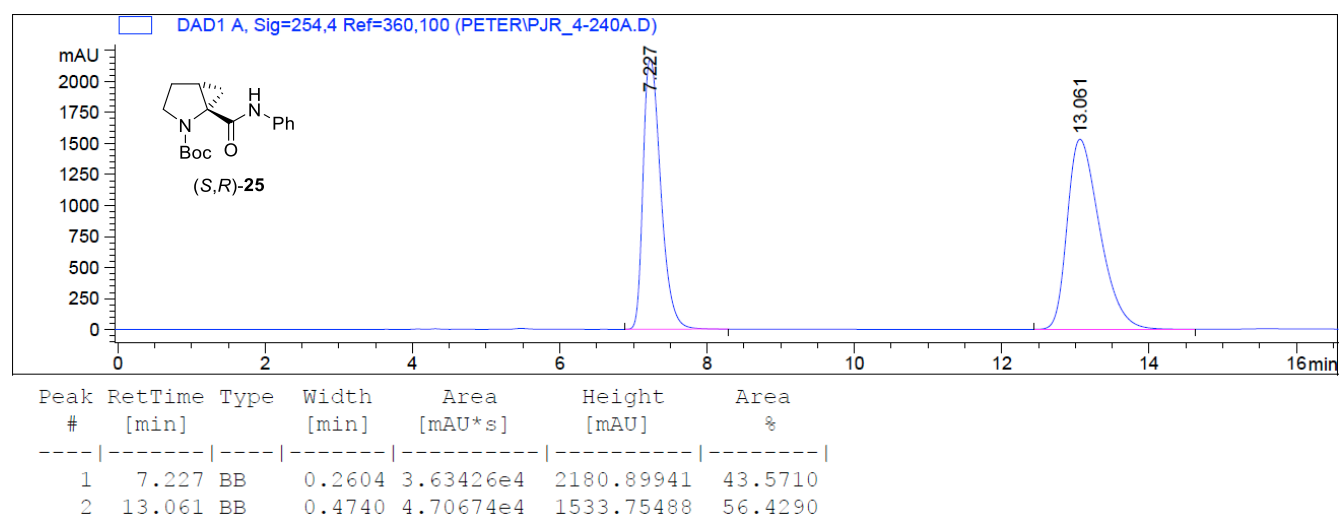
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Racemic **25**. Chiralcel OD (90:10 hexane-*i*-PrOH, 1.0 mL min⁻¹)Enantioenriched (*S,R*)-**25**, using diamine (*R,R*)-**2**. Chiralcel OD (90:10 hexane-*i*-PrOH, 1.0 mL min⁻¹)

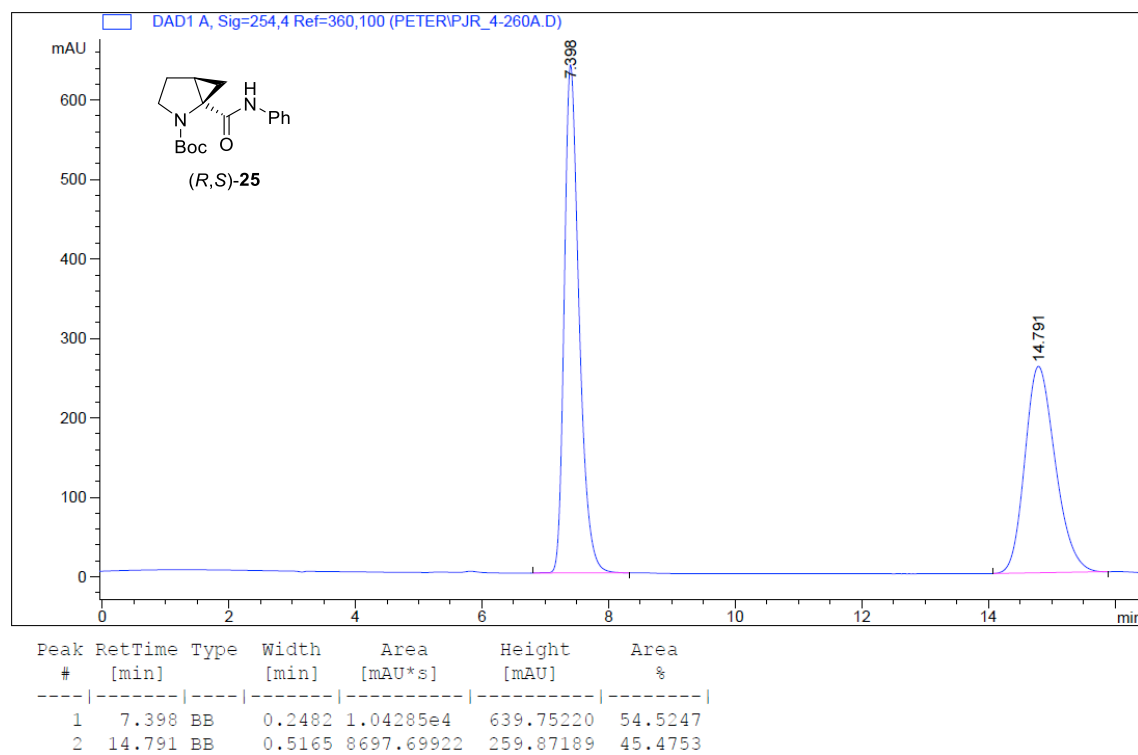
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Enantioenriched (*S,R*)-**25**, using diamine (–)-sparteine. Chiracel OD (90:10 hexane-*i*-PrOH, 1.0 mL min⁻¹)



Enantioenriched (*R,S*)-**25**, using diamine (+)-**1**. Chiracel OD (90:10 hexane-*i*-PrOH, 1.0 mL min⁻¹)



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