Cyclopropyl-thiophen-2-yl-methanol (10). To a solution of cyclopropyl-2-thienylketone **5** (25 g, 0.16 mol) in MeOH (150 mL) was added portionwise an excess of sodium borohydride. After stirring at room temperature for 1.5 h, the solvent was evaporated under *vacuo* and the reaction mixture was poured into 5 N aqueous NaOH and extracted with  $CH_2Cl_2$  (3 x 150 mL). The organic layer was dried over anhydrous MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under *vacuo* to give the alcohol **10** (25.33 g, quantitative yield) as a colorless oil :  $^1H$  NMR (250 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  0.42-0.65 (m, 4H), 1.31 (m, 1H), 2.2 (s, 1H), 4.24 (dd, J = 5, 14Hz, 1H), 7.00 (dd, J = 2, 8Hz, 1H), 7.07 (dd, J = 2, 8Hz, 1H), 7.29 (dd, J = 2, 8Hz, 1H);  $^{13}C$  NMR (62.89 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  3.1, 3.7, 19.4, 74.5, 123.7, 124.6, 126.6, 148.0; IR (neat) 3369, 2872, 1430, 1027 cm $^{-1}$ ; MS (EI) m/z 154 (M $^+$ ), 84 (C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>4</sub>S $^+$ ).

*tert*-Butyl-(cyclopropyl-thiophen-2-yl-methoxy)-dimethyl-silane (11). To a solution of alcohol 10 (25.33 g, 0.16 mol) and imidazole (14.62 g, 0.21 mol) in DMF (50 mL) was added dropwise, at 0 °C, TBDMSCl (19.51 g, 0.16 mol) in DMF (15 mL) and the solution was stirred at room temperature overnight. The reaction mixture was poured into water (400 mL) and extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O (4 x 150 mL). The organic layer was dried over anhydrous MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under *vacuo* to give the silyl derivative 11 (23.13 g, 95% yield) as a colorless oil : <sup>1</sup>H NMR (250 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ – 0.05 (s, 3H), 0.08 (s, 3H), 0.43-0.55 (m, 4H), 0.9 (s, 9H), 1.22 (m, 1H), 4.53 (d, J = 15Hz, 1H), 6.98 (m, 2H), 7.20 (dd, J = 2, 7Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (62.89 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ – 4.6, – 4.5, 2.8, 3.2, 18.4, 20.4, 25.9, 73.6, 122.6, 123.8, 126.1, 150.3 ; IR (neat) 3435, 2957, 1472, 1252, 1058 cm<sup>-1</sup>; MS (EI) m/z 268 (M<sup>+</sup>·), 137 (C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>9</sub>S<sup>+</sup>).

### 3-(4-{5-[(tert-Butyl-dimethyl-silanyloxy)-cyclopropyl-methyl]-thiophen-2-yl}-but-3-enyl)-

**pyridine** (15). To a vigorously stirred suspension of phosphonium salt 14 (33.55 g, 72.5 mmol) in THF (1 L) at 0 °C was added NaH (3.9 g, 0.16 mol) and the mixture was stirred at the same temperature for 30 min. After cooling to –78 °C, aldehyde 13 (14.32 g, 48.3 mmol) in THF (60 mL) was added dropwise and stirring was continued at room temperature overnight. The reaction mixture was poured into a saturated aqueous solution of NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (300 mL) and extracted with AcOEt (4 x 250 mL). The organic layer was washed with water (100 mL), brine (100 mL), dried over anhydrous MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under *vacuo*.

The residue was purified by column chromatography (heptane/AcOEt : 90/10) on silica gel to furnish compound **15** (10.63 g, 55% yield) as a yellow oil :  $^{1}$ H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  0.03 (s, 3H), 0.07 (s, 3H), 0.34-0.58 (m, 4H), 0.88 (s, 9H), 1.19 (m, 1H), 2.68-2.88 (m, 4H), 4.45 (d, J = 5Hz, 1H), 5.53 (dt, J = 5, 10Hz, 1H), 6.56 (d, J = 10Hz, 1H), 6.85 (d, J = 3Hz, 1H), 6.86 (d, J = 3Hz, 1H), 7.25 (dd, J = 4, 7Hz, 1H), 7.59 (dt, J = 7Hz, 1H), 8.54 (m, 2H);  $^{13}$ C NMR (75.47 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  – 4.6, – 4.5,2.8, 3.3, 18.3, 20.2, 25.9, 30.5, 32.7, 73.7, 122.5, 123.4, 126.9, 127.2, 135.9, 136.9, 138.8, 147.5, 150.0, 150.3; IR (neat) 2955, 2929, 2856, 1472, 1057 cm $^{-1}$ ; MS (IE) m/z 399 (M $^{+}$ ), 268 (C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>18</sub>NS $^{+}$ ), 93 (C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>7</sub>N $^{+}$ ); HRMS (EI) calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>33</sub>NOSSi 399.2052, found 399.2034.

**3-[9-(***tert***-Butyl-dimethyl-silanyloxy)-9-cyclopropyl-nonyl]-pyridine** (**17**). To a solution of compound **15** (10.63 g, 26.6 mmol) in EtOH (300 mL) was added Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (4 g) and a large excess of freshly prepared Raney nickel. After stirring under reflux for 2 h, another excess of Raney nickel was added and the mixture was stirred under reflux for 6 h. The resulting mixture was decanted, EtOH was collected and the catalyst was washed with petroleum ether (150 mL) CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (3 x 150 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with a saturated aqueous solution of NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, dried over anhydrous MgSO<sub>4</sub>, and concentrated under *vacuo*. Purification of the residue by column chromatography (heptane/AcOEt: 90/10) on silica gel afforded pyridine **17** (8.54 g, 85% yield) as a colorless oil: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  0.03 (s, 3H), 0.06 (s, 3H), 0.12-0.51 (m, 4H), 0.91 (s, 9H), 1.30 (m, 11H), 1.52 (m, 2H), 1.64 (m, 2H), 2.64 (t, J = 9Hz, 2H), 3.06 (dt, J = 9, 10Hz, 2H), 7.10 (dd, J = 6, 10Hz, 1H), 7.54 (d, J = 10Hz, 1H), 8,51 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (62.89 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  – 4.3, – 3.8, 2.3, 3.4, 17.5, 18.3, 25.5, 26.1, 29.3, 29.5, 29.7, 29.9, 31.2, 33.1, 38.4, 76.3, 123.3, 135.8, 137.2, 147.3, 150.1; IR (neat) 2928, 2855, 1463, 1253, 835, 774 cm<sup>-1</sup>; MS (IC) m/z 376 (MH<sup>+</sup>), 244 (C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>26</sub>N<sup>+</sup>).

**1-Cyclopropyl-6-pyridin-3-yl-hexan-1-ol** (**20**). To a solution of silyl derivative **16** (3.55 g, 10.6 mmol) in THF (35 mL) was added dropwise, at room temperature, Bu<sub>4</sub>NF (1M solution in THF, 63.6 mmol, 63.6 mL). After stirring overnight, the reaction mixture was poured into H<sub>2</sub>O (100 mL), extracted with AcOEt (4 x 100 mL), dried over anhydrous MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under *vacuo*. The residue was subjected to column chromatography (heptane /AcOEt : 1/1) on silica gel to furnish the alcohol **20** (2.22 g, 95% yield) as a deep yellow oil : <sup>1</sup>H NMR (250 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  0.23 (m, 2H), 0.49 (m, 2H), 0.89 (m, 1H), 1.32-1.73

(m, 8H), 2.12 (s, 1H), 2.63 (t, J = 11Hz, 2H), 2.88 (dt, J = 9, 12Hz, 1H), 7.24 (dd, J = 6, 10Hz, 1H), 7.56 (dt, J = 3, 10Hz, 1H), 8.51 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.47 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  2.5, 2.8, 18.1, 25.6, 29.3, 31.5, 33.0, 37.2, 76.7, 123.3, 135.9, 137.9, 147.2, 149.9; IR (neat) 3369, 2931, 1577, 1081, 1026, 789 cm<sup>-1</sup>; MS (IC) m/z 220 (MH<sup>+</sup>), 202 (C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>20</sub>N<sup>+</sup>). HRMS (MALDI) calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>21</sub>NO (MH<sup>+</sup>) 220.17014, found 220,17059.

**3-(12-Bromo-dodec-9-enyl)-pyridine (23).** Treatment of alcohol **21** (2.16 g, 8.2 mmol) with ZnBr<sub>2</sub> (46 mg, 4.1 mmol) and Me<sub>3</sub>SiBr (2.13 mL, 18.3 mmol) in the conditions used for the rearrangement of **20** gave bromide **23** (2.57 g, 96% yield) as a brown oil : <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  1.09-1.37 (m, 10H), 1.52 (m, 2H), 1.93 (m, 2H), 2.45 (q, J = 4Hz, 2H), 2.57 (t, J = 4Hz, 2H), 3.29 (t, J = 4Hz, 2H), 5.27-5.37 (dt, J = 4, 14Hz, 1H), 5.43-5.53 (dt, J = 4, 14Hz, 1H), 7.28 (dd, J = 2, 4Hz, 1H), 7.58 (d, J = 4Hz, 1H), 8.46 (dd, J = 1, 4Hz, 1H), 8.50 (s, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.47MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  28.7, 28.8, 28.9, 29.0, 30.9, 32.3, 32.7, 32.8, 35.9, 123.0, 126.2, 133.7, 135.5, 137.7, 146.9, 149.7; MS (IC) m/z 324 (MH<sup>+</sup>), 244 (C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>26</sub>N<sup>+</sup>).

**3-(9-azido-non-6-enyl)-pyridine** (**24).** The crude bromide **25** (3.28 g, 11.7 mmol) was immediately added to a suspension of finely powdered NaN<sub>3</sub> (3.8g, 58.5 mmol) in dry DMF (40 mL). After stirring overnight at 60 °C, the mixture was poured into H<sub>2</sub>O (50 mL) and extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O (3 x 150 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with water (100 mL), brine (100 mL), dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under *vacuo*. The residue was purified by column chromatography (heptane/AcOEt : 80/20) on silica gel to yield pure azide **24** (1.89 g, 66% yield) as a pale yellow oil : <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 1.38 (m, 4H), 1.62 (q, J = 4Hz, 2H), 2.02 (m, 2H), 2.29 (m, 2H), 2.63 (t, J = 7Hz, 2H), 3.27 (t, J = 7Hz, 2H), 5.40 (dt, J = 6, 15Hz, 1H), 5.58 (dt, J = 6, 15Hz, 1H), 7.24 (dd, J = 4, 8Hz, 1H), 7.54 (dt, J = 2, 8Hz, 1H), 8.49 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (62.89 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 28.6, 29.0, 31.0, 32.5, 33.0, 51.2, 123.3, 125.8, 133.7, 135.82, 137.90, 147.25, 150.01; IR (neat) 2930, 2856, 2097, 1422, 1262 cm<sup>-1</sup>; MS (IE) m/z 244 (M+·), 202 (C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>20</sub>N<sup>+</sup>), 188 (C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sup>+</sup>,), 92 (C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub>N<sup>+</sup>). HRMS (MALDI) calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>20</sub>N<sub>4</sub> (MH<sup>+</sup>) 245.17662, found 245.17769.

**3-(12-Azido-dodec-9-enyl)-pyridine** (**25**). The crude bromide **23** (2.57 g, 8 mmol) was treated in the conditions used for preparation of azide **24** to give azide **25** (2.18 g, 95% yield) as a pale yellow oil: <sup>1</sup>H

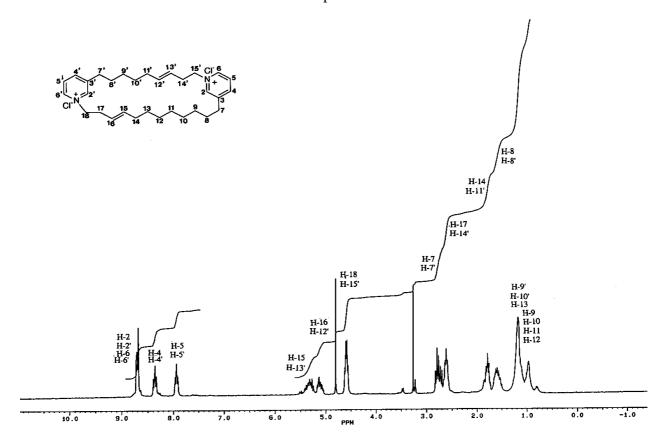
NMR (250 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  1.27 (m, 10H), 1.58 (m, 2H), 1.93 (q, J = 7Hz, 2H), 2.23 (q, J = 7Hz, 2H), 2.56 (t, J = 7Hz, 2H), 3.20 (t, J = 7Hz, 2H), 5.30 (dt, J = 7, 16Hz, 1H), 5.49 (dt, J = 7, 16Hz, 1H), 7.10 (dd, J = 5, 7Hz, 1H), 7.39 (dt, J = 2, 7Hz, 1H), 8.32 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (69.82 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  28.8, 29.0, 29.1, 30.9, 32.0, 32.3, 32.7, 50.8, 122.9, 125.2, 133.6, 135.4, 137.6, 146.9, 149.7; IR (neat) 2927, 2855, 2097, 1422, 1261, 1026, 714 cm<sup>-1</sup>; MS (IC) m/z 287 (MH<sup>+</sup>), 259 (C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>26</sub>N<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup>), 244 (C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>26</sub>N<sup>+</sup>), 230 (C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>24</sub>N<sup>+</sup>).

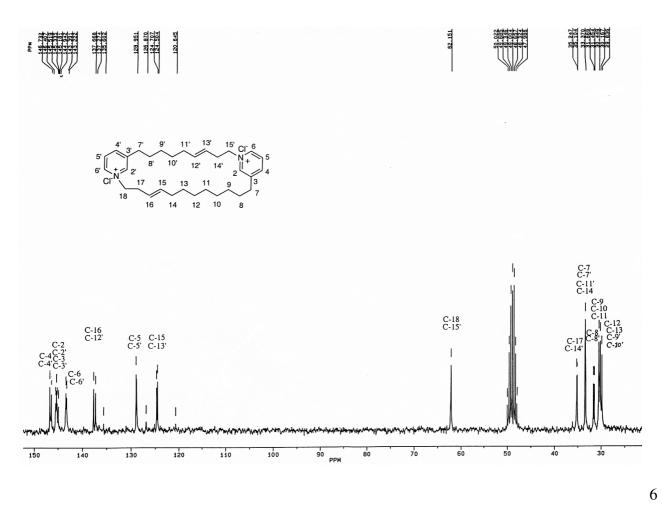
**9-Pyridin-3-yl-6-non-enylamine (8).** Triphenylphosphine (892 mg, 3.4 mmol) was added to a solution of the azide **24** (488 mg, 2 mmol) in pyridine (2 mL) at 0 °C. The reaction was allowed to reach room temperature and stirred overnight. After cooling to 0 °C, concentrated aqueous ammonia (1 mL) was added and stirring was continued at room temperature overnight. After removal of pyridine under reduced pressure, 2N HCl (20 mL) was added and the mixture was extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O (4 x 50 mL). The acidic phase was basified by portionwise addition of solid anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>, diluted with water and extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>(3 x 50 mL). Drying over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentration *in vacuo* afforded the amine **8** (403 mg, 92% yield) as a pale yellow oil: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (250 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  1.27-1.45 (m, 4H), 1.59 (m, 2H), 1.71 (s, 2H), 2.00 (m, 2H), 2.12 (m, 2H), 2.57 (t, J = 12Hz, 2H), 2.69 (t, J = 12Hz, 2H), 5.2-5.64 (m, 2H), 7.15 (dd, J = 6, 12Hz, 1H), 7.46 (dt, J = 2, 12Hz, 1H), 8.37 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (62.89 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  28.1, 28.8, 30.5, 32.0, 32.5, 36.2, 41.2, 122.8, 127.0, 132.2, 135.3, 137.4, 146.7, 149.5; IR (neat) 3233, 2927, 2854, 1436, 1027, 970, 713 cm<sup>-1</sup>; MS (IC) m/z 219 (MH<sup>+</sup>). HRMS (MALDI) calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>22</sub>N<sub>2</sub> (MH<sup>+</sup>) 219.18612, found 219.18536.

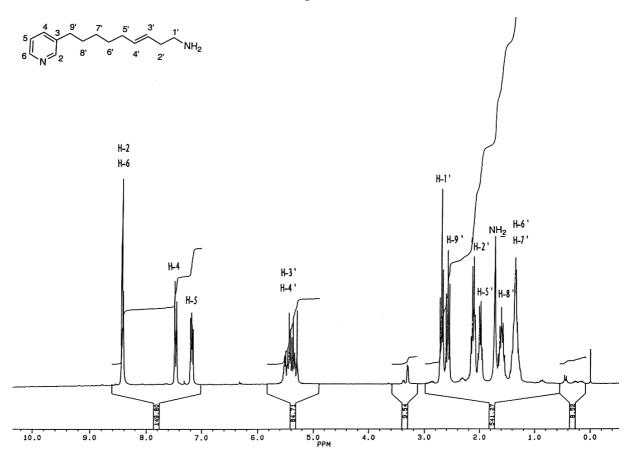
**12-Pyridin-3-yl-dodec-3-enylamine** (9). Triphenylphosphine (892 mg, 3.4 mmol) was added to a solution of the azide **25** (572 mg, 2 mmol) in pyridine (2 mL) at 0 °C. The reaction was allowed to reach room temperature and stirred overnight. After cooling to 0 °C, concentrated aqueous ammonia (1 mL) was added and stirring was continued at room temperature overnight. After removal of pyridine under reduced pressure, 2N HCl (25 mL) was added and the mixture was extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O (4 x 50 mL). The acidic phase was basified by portionwise addition of solid anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>, diluted with H<sub>2</sub>O and extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (3x50 mL). Drying over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentration under *vacuo* afforded the amine **9** (479 mg, 92% yield) as a pale yellow oil : <sup>1</sup>H NMR (250 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  1.27 (m, 10H), 1.59 (m, 2H), 1.96 (m, 2H), 2.34 (m, 2H), 2.56 (t, J = 5Hz, 2H), 2.91 (t, J = 5Hz, 2H), 5.27 (dt, J = 5, 13Hz, 1H),

5.54 (dt, J = 5, 13Hz, 1H), 6.08 (s, 2H), 7.18 (dd, J = 3, 7Hz, 1H), 7.42 (d, J = 7Hz, 1H), 8.35 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (69.82 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  29.1, 29.3, 29.3, 31.1, 32.3, 32.6, 33.0, 40.3, 123.4, 124.6, 134.8, 136.0, 138.1, 147.1, 149.9; IR (neat) 3367, 2926, 2853, 1422, 1026, 714 cm<sup>-1</sup>; MS (ESI) m/z 261 (MH<sup>+</sup>); HRMS (IC) calcd for  $C_{17}H_{29}N_2$  (MH<sup>+</sup>) 261.2331, found 261.2343.

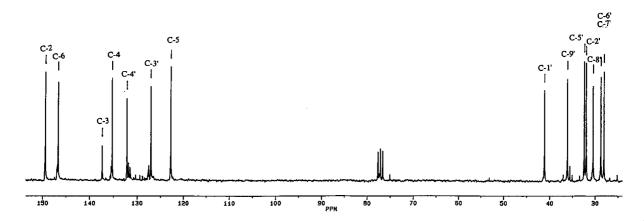
(12-Pyridin-3-yl-dodec-3-enyl)-carbamic acid *tert*-butylester (26). To the amine 9 (416 mg, 1.6 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (10 mL) was added dropwise, at 0 °C, a solution of diterbutyldicarbonate (419 mg, 1.92 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (2 mL). After stirring at room temperature overnight, a mixture of H<sub>2</sub>O/NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (7 : 1) was added and the product was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (3 x 50 mL). The organic layer was dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification of the residue by column chromatography (heptane/AcOET : 80/20) on silica gel afforded the protected amine 27 (537 mg, 93% yield) as a yellow oil : <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  1.23 (m, 10H), 1.36 (s, 9H), 1.54 (m, 2H), 1.88 (m, 2H), 2.05 (m, 2H), 2.50 (t, J = 5Hz, 2H), 3.05 (m, 2H), 4.75 (s, 1H), 5.24 (dt, J = 4, 17Hz, 1H), 5.39 (dt, J = 4, 17Hz, 1H), 7.11 (dd, J = 3, 5Hz, 1H), 7.42 (d, J = 5Hz, 1H), 8.38 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.47 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  27.2, 28.3, 29.0, 31.0, 32.5, 32.9, 33.0, 40.2, 53.3, 78.8, 123.1, 126.5, 133.1, 135.6, 137.8, 147.1, 149.8, 155.9; IR (neat) 3351, 2928, 1710, 1523, 1365, 1174, 968 cm<sup>-1</sup>; MS (IC) m/z 361 (MH<sup>+</sup>).

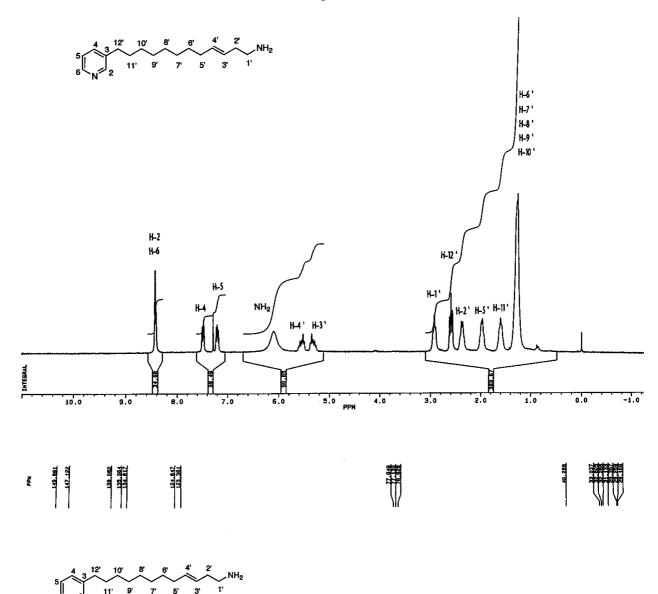


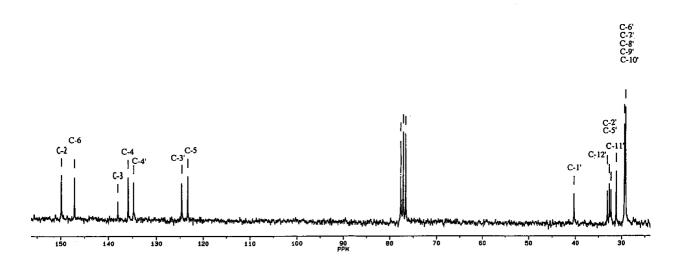


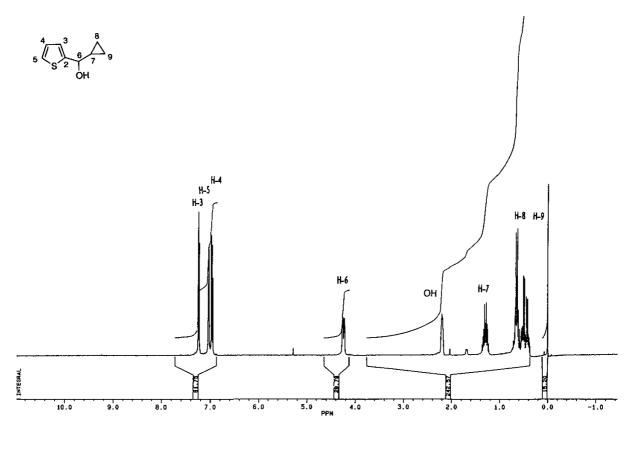




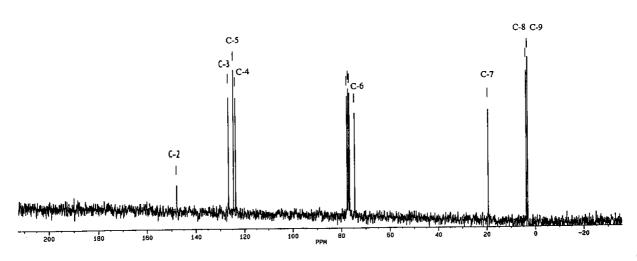


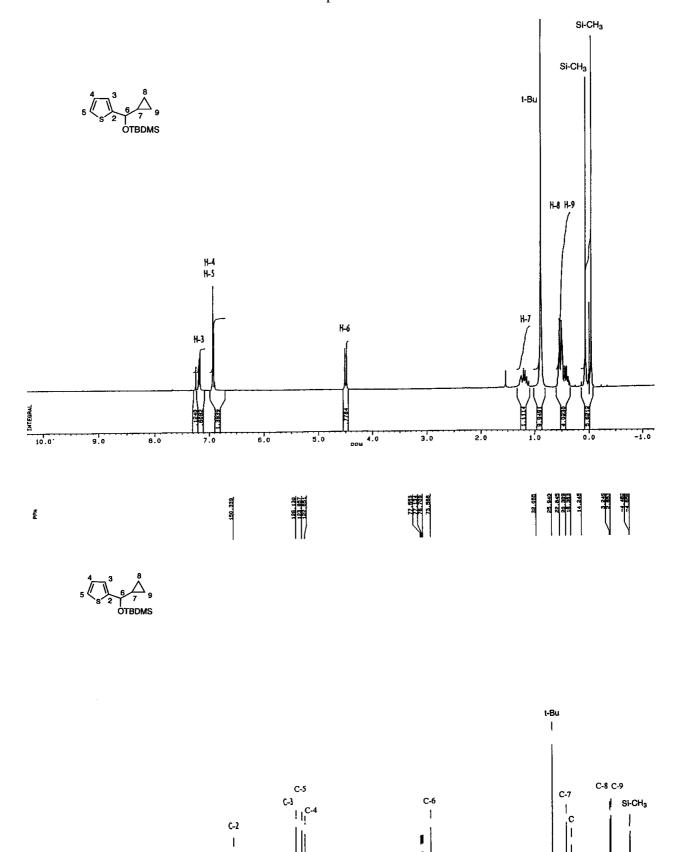








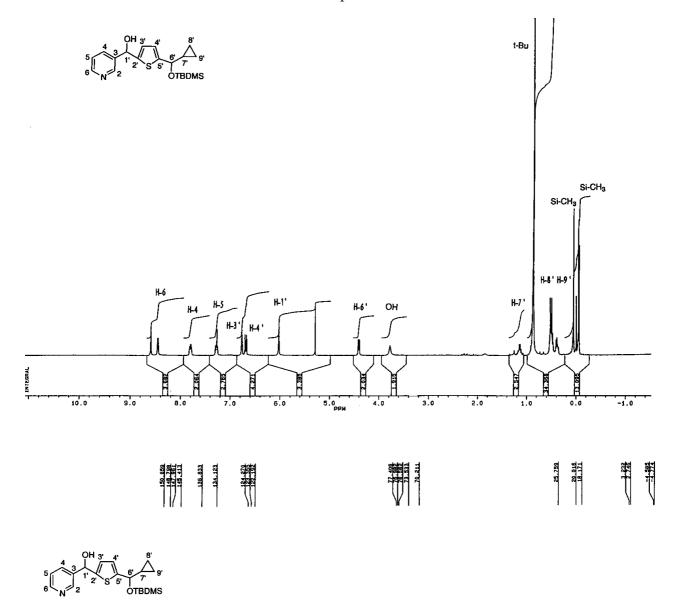


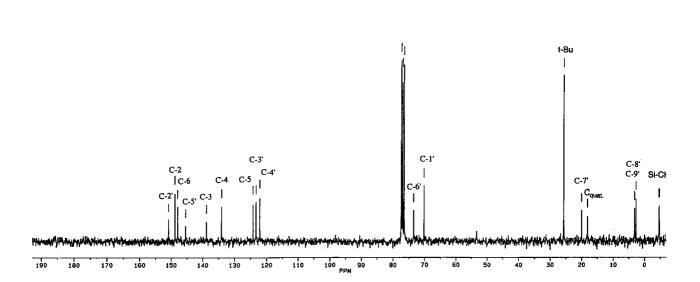


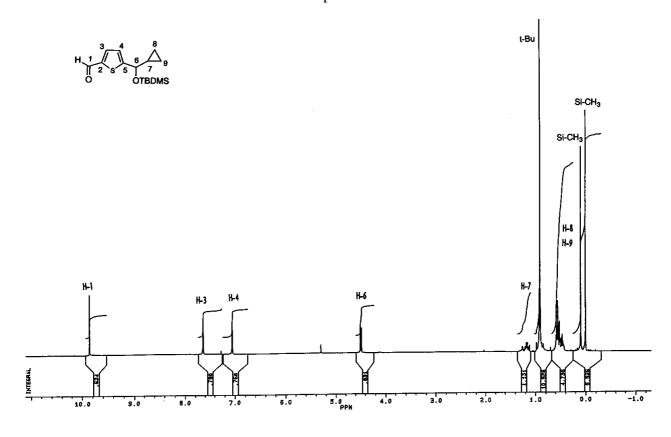
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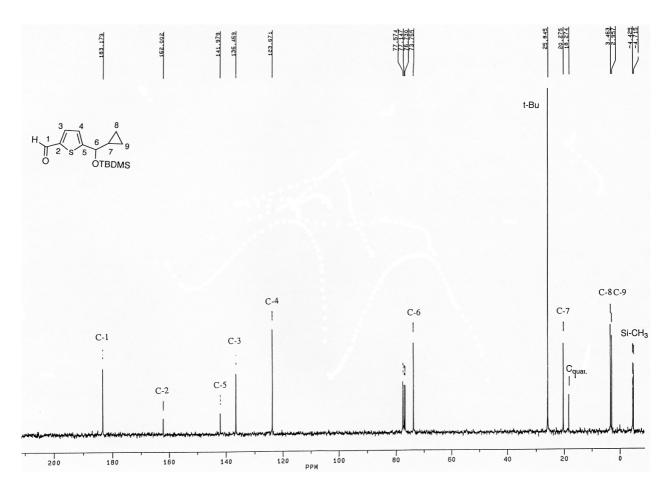
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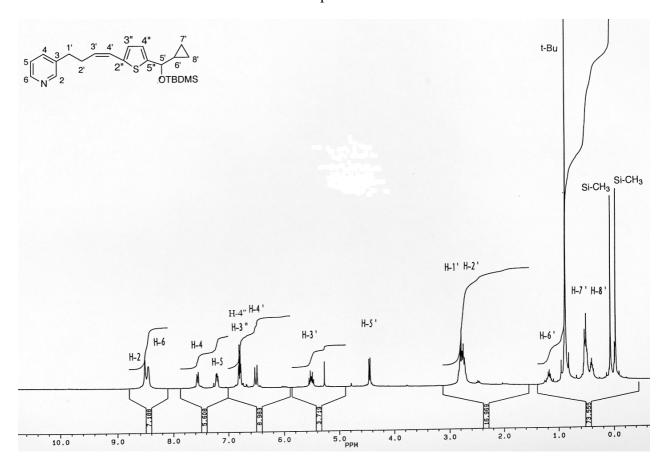
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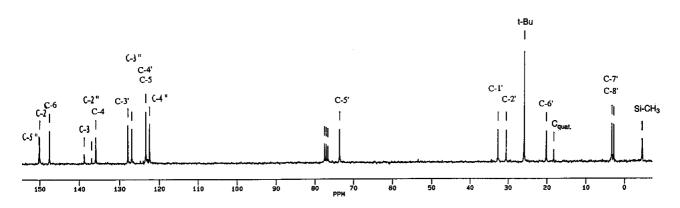


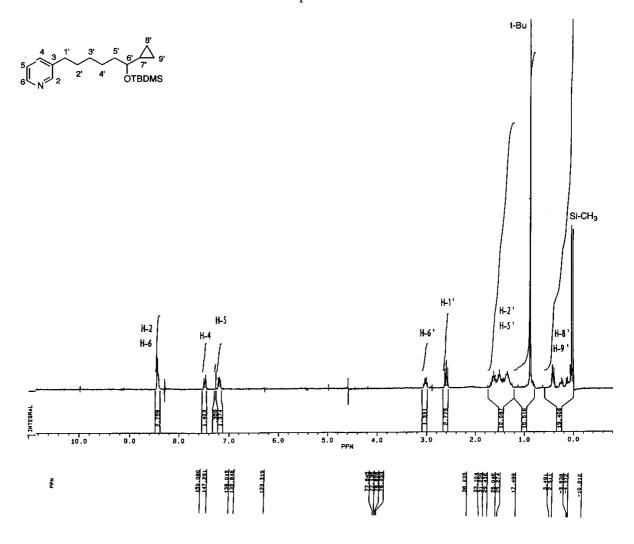


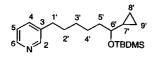


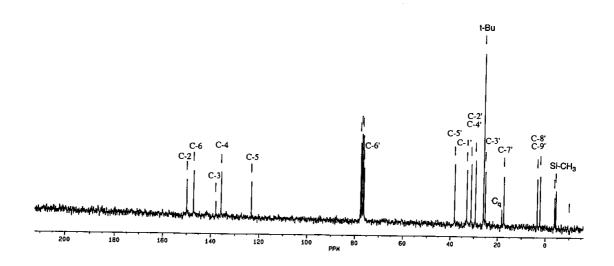


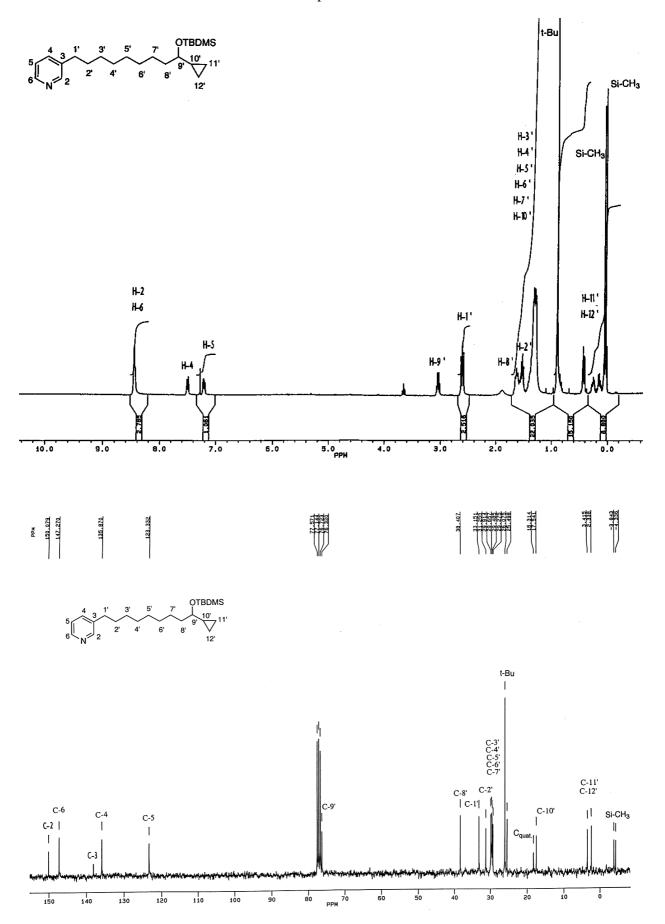


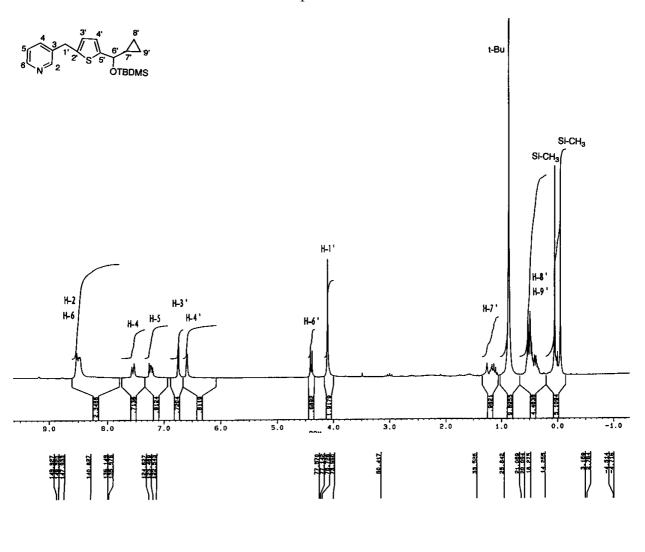


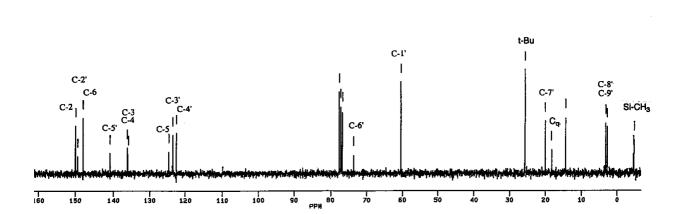


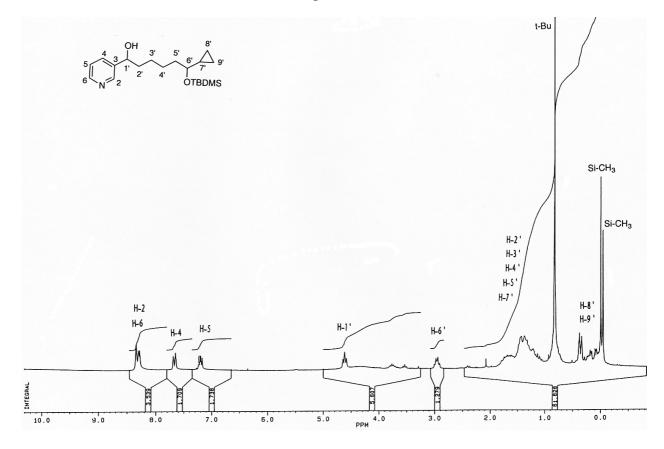


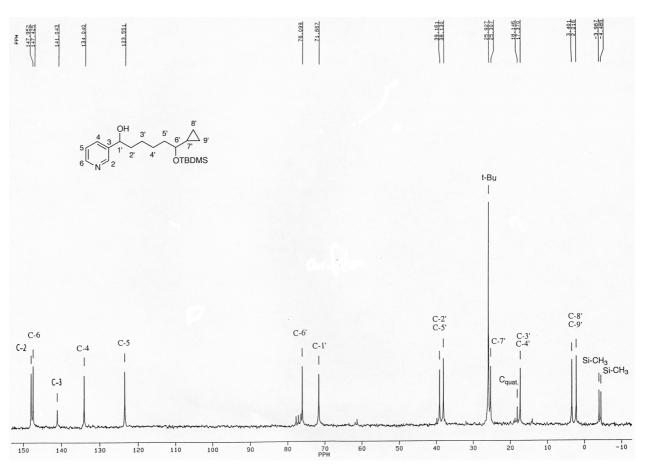


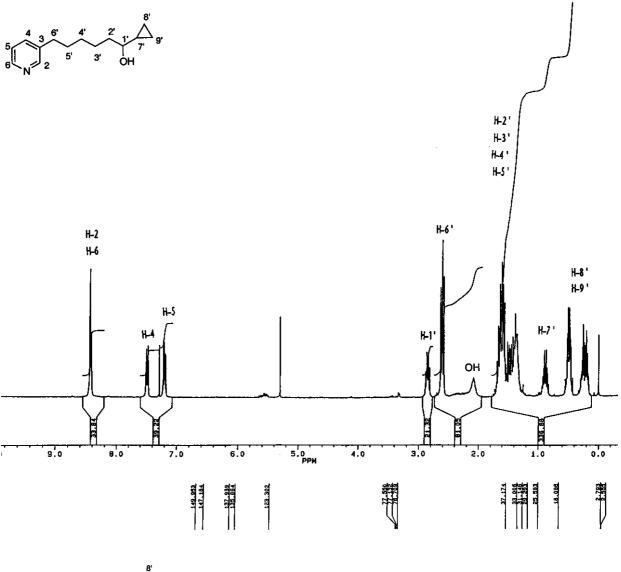


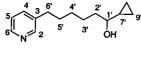


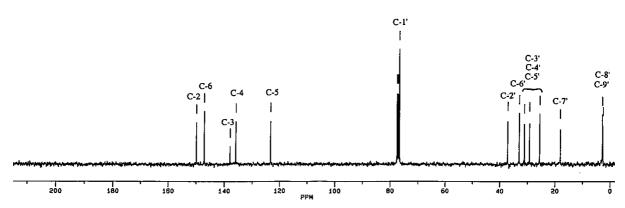


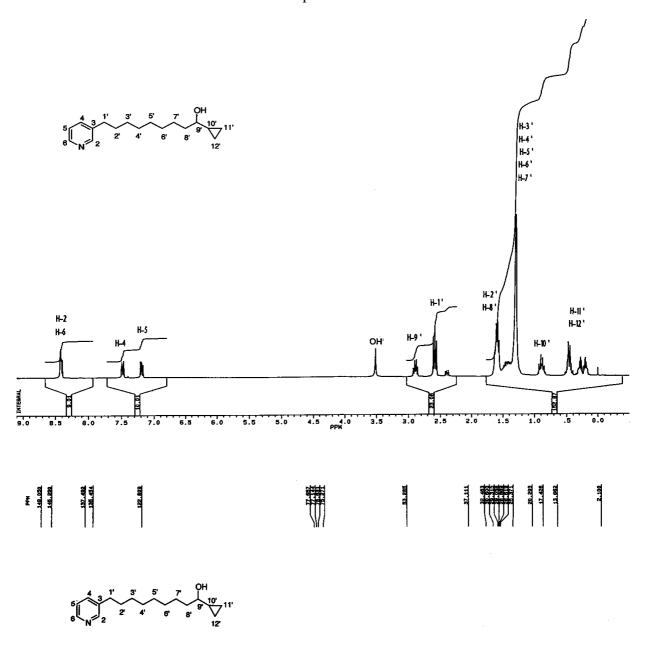


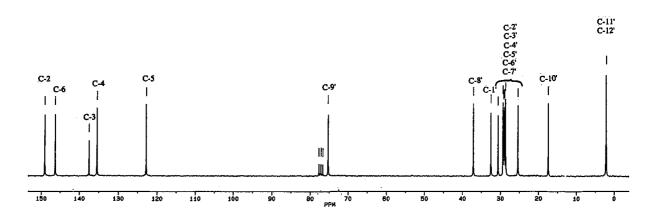


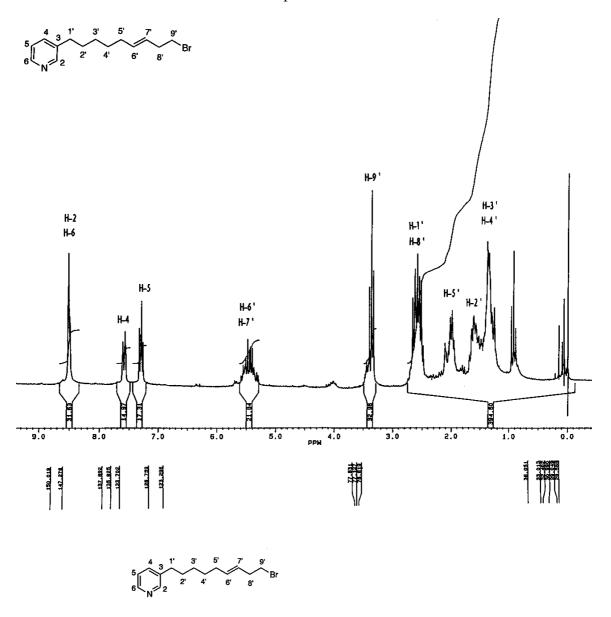


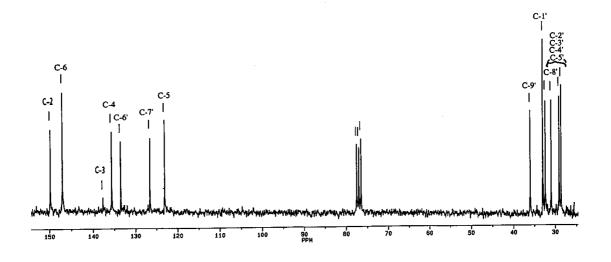


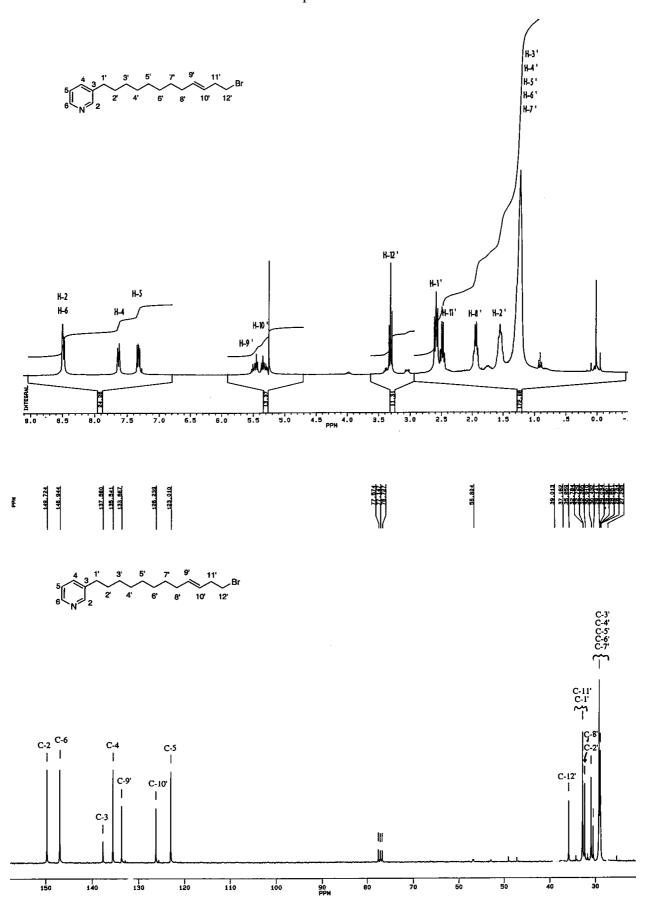


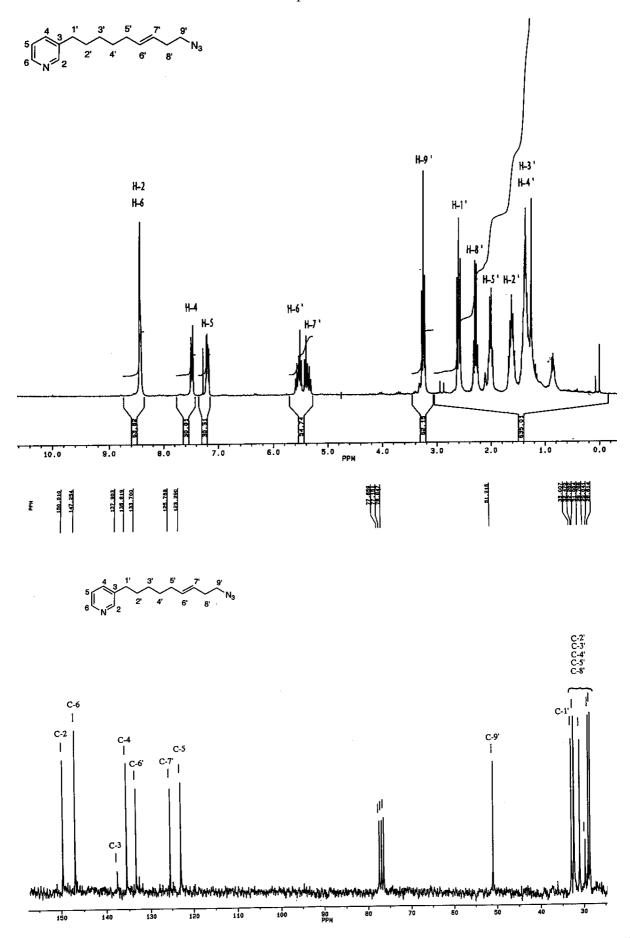


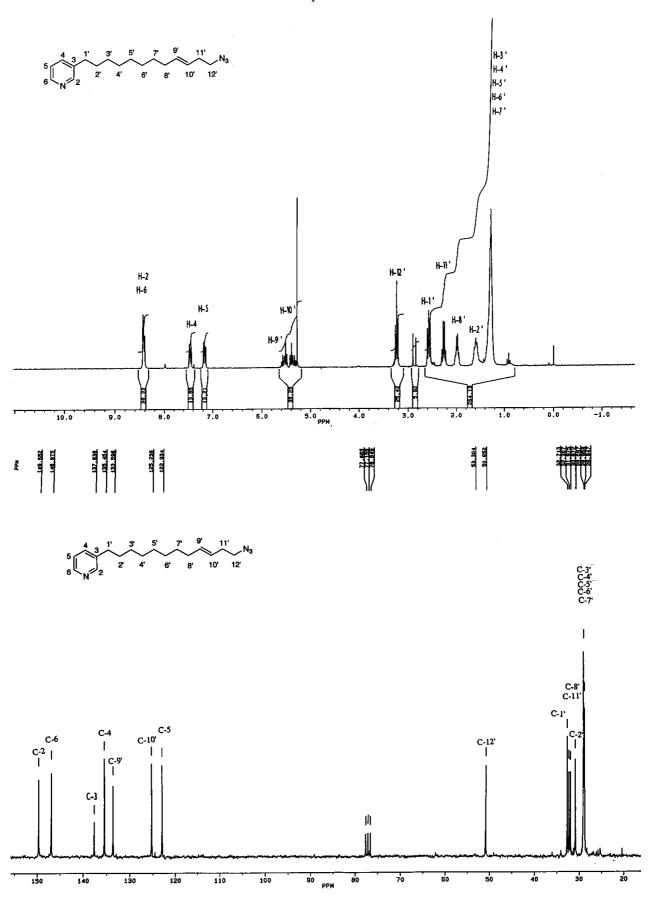


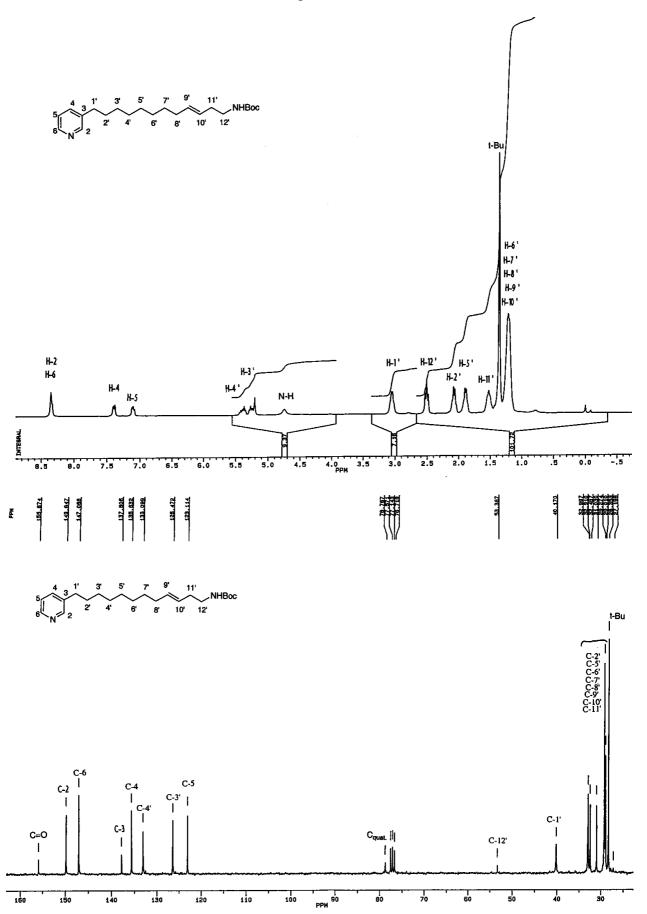


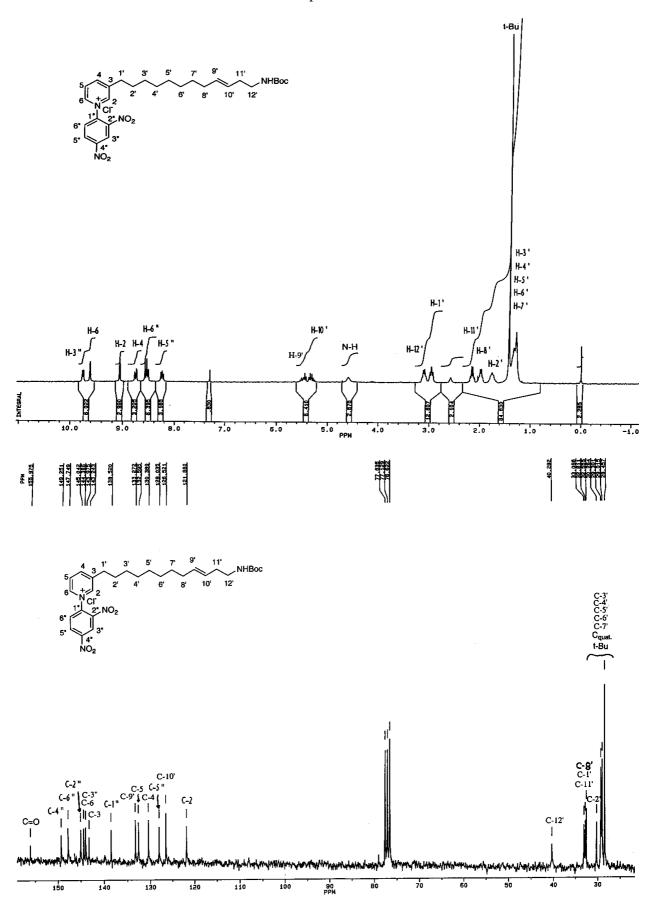


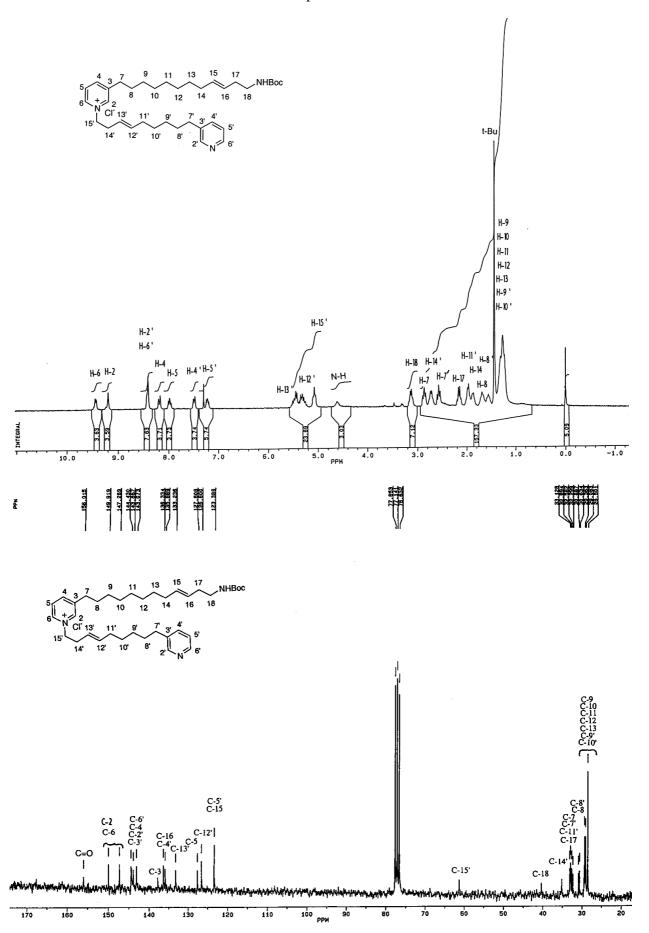


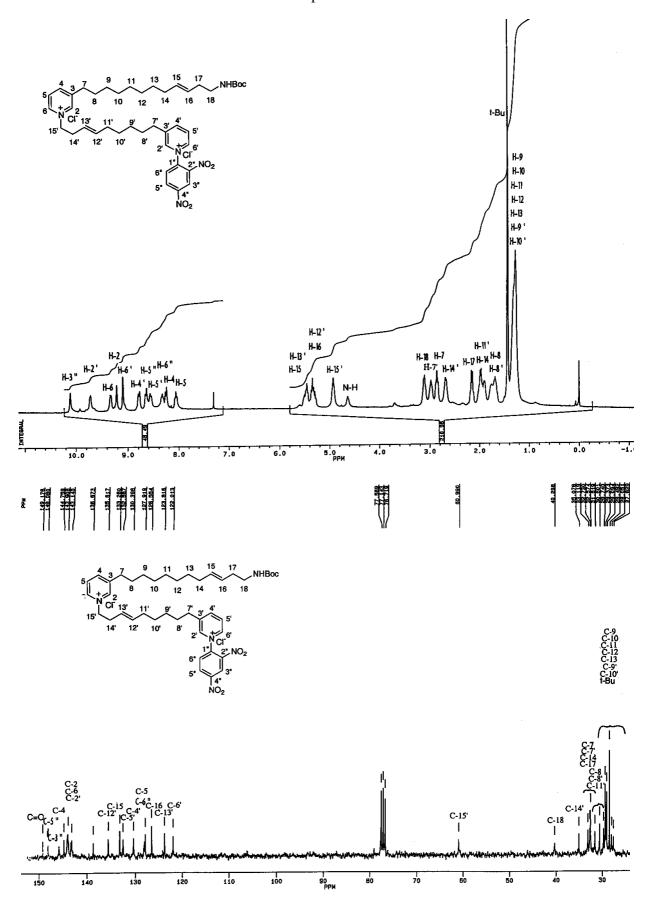


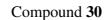


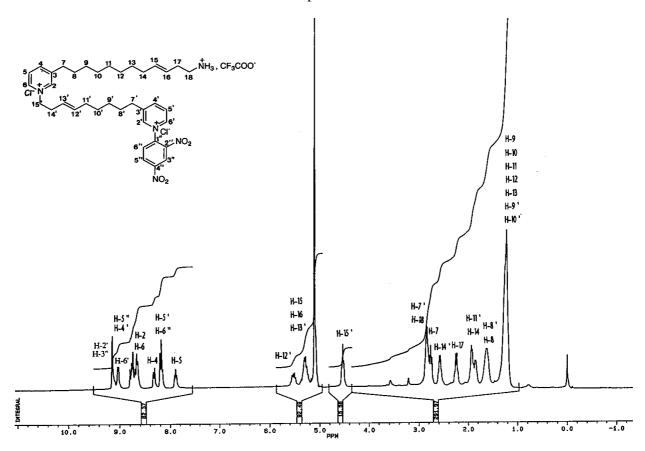


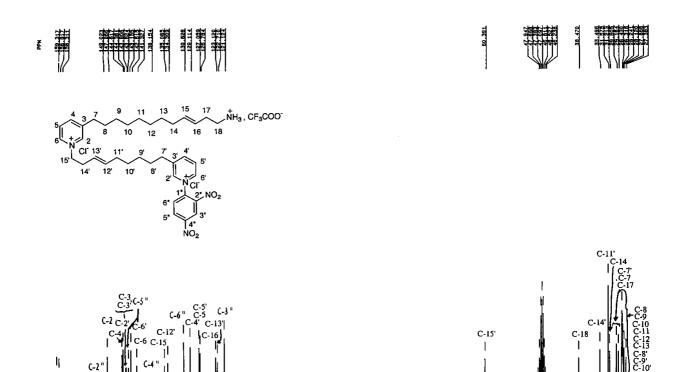












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