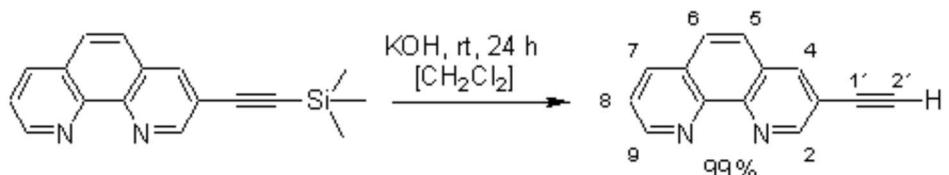


3-Ethynyl-[1,10]phenanthroline

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The experimental procedure follows a protocol developed by Eaborn [1]. To 3-trimethylsilyl ethynyl-[1,10]phenanthroline (500 mg, 21.7 mmol), dissolved in THF (10 mL), was added 1 M KOH in methanol (10 mL). The resultant solution was stirred for 24 hours at room temperature. After addition of water (10 mL) the product was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3×10 mL). Removal of the solvent *in vacuo* afforded 426 mg of 3-ethynyl-[1,10]phenanthroline (96%) as a colorless solid.

Mp. 279 °C.

IR (KBr): $\tilde{\nu} = 3140$ (s, C-H), 2086 (w, C=C), 1588 (m, C=C), 1551 (m, C=C), 1499 (s, C=C), 1418 (s), 1264 (m), 1222 (s), 1096 (m), 904 (m), 838 (s, Ar-H), 729 (s, Ar-H) cm^{-1} .

^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 250 MHz): $\delta = 3.34$ (s, 1 H, 2'-H), 7.58 (dd, $J_1 = 8.3$ Hz, $J_2 = 4.1$ Hz, 1 H, 8-H), 7.66 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1 H, 5-H), 7.73 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1 H, 6-H), 8.15 (dd, $J_1 = 8.3$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.5$ Hz, 1 H, 7-H), 8.27 (d, $J = 2.2$ Hz, 1 H, 4-H), 9.14 (dd, $J_1 = 4.1$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.5$ Hz, 1 H, 9-H), 9.17 (d, $J = 2.2$ Hz, 1 H, 2-H).

^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 53 MHz): $\delta = 80.5$ (C-1'), 81.5 (C-2'), 118.3 (C-3), 123.2 (C-8), 125.8 (C-4a), 127.3 (C-6a), 127.4 (C-5), 128.9 (C-6), 136.0 (C-7), 138.9 (C-4), 144.9 (C-10a), 145.6 (C-1a), 150.4 (C-9), 152.2 (C-2).

Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_8\text{N}_2$, C: 82.33, H: 3.95, N: 13.72. Found C: 81.89, H: 3.92, N: 13.85.

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