

Supplementary Information

Enamine/Carbene Cascade Catalysis in the Diastereo- and Enantioselective Synthesis of Functionalized Cyclopentanones

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Materials and Methods

All reactions were carried out under an atmosphere of argon with magnetic stirring. HPLC grade Chloroform preserved with pentane was purchased from Fisher Scientific. Column chromatography was performed on SiliCycle®SilicaFlash® P60, 40-63 μ m 60A. Thin layer chromatography was performed on SiliCycle® 250 μ m 60A plates. Visualization was accomplished with UV light or p-anisaldehyde stain followed by heating. This stain is highly recommended, with starting material typically staining orange, intermediate as brown, and final product as a dark blue.

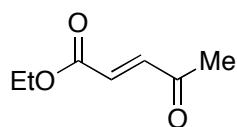
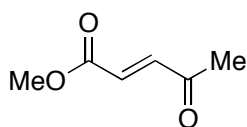
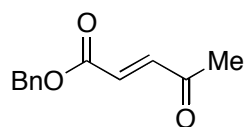
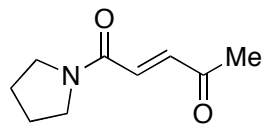
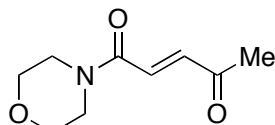
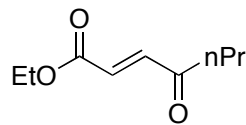
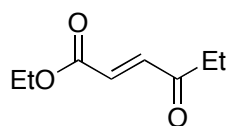
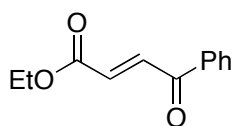
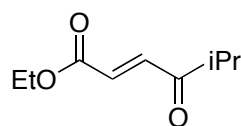
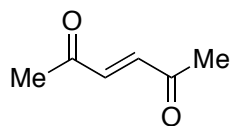
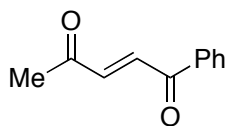
¹H NMR spectra were obtained on Varian 300 or 400 MHz spectrometers at ambient temperature. Data is reported as follows: chemical shift in parts per million (δ , ppm) from CDCl₃ (7.26 ppm), toluene-d₈ (7.09, 7.0, 6.98, 2.09 ppm) or benzene-d₆ (7.16 ppm) multiplicity (s = singlet, bs = broad singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, and m = multiplet), coupling constants(Hz).

¹³C NMR was recorded on Varian 300 or 400 MHz spectrometers (at 75 or 100 MHz) at ambient temperature. Chemical shifts are reported in ppm from CDCl₃ (77.2 ppm) or toluene-d₈ (137.86 (1), 129.4 (3), 128.33 (3), 125.49 (3), 20.4 (5) ppm).

Varian CP-3800 Gas Chromatograph was used to determine diastereomeric and enantiomeric ratios. For the achiral column, Varian CP-Sil 8CB (15m X 0.25mm) was used. For the chiral column, Chiraldex BDM-1 was used, unless otherwise stated.

Aldehydes **1a-f** were purchased from Aldrich. Aldehyde **1g** was prepared according to literature procedure.¹

¹ Y. Kiyotsuka and Y. Kobayashi, *J. Org. Chem.*, 2009, **74**, 7489.

**2a****2h****2i****2j****2k****2l****2m****2n****2o****2p****2q**

Keto-esters **2** were prepared with the following protocols:

2a,² **2h**,³ **2i**,⁴ **2j-k**,⁵ **2l-p**,² and **2q**.⁶

Amine catalyst **3** was prepared with the established protocol.⁷

Triazolium catalyst **5** and **6** were prepared according to literature procedure.⁸

² K. A. Runcie and R. J. K. Taylor, *Chem. Commun.*, 2002, 974.

³ P. F. Schuda, C. B. Ebner and S. J. Potlock, *Synthesis*, 1987, 1055.

⁴ S. Gérard, M. Raoul and J. Sapi, *Eur. J. Org. Chem.*, 2006, 2440.

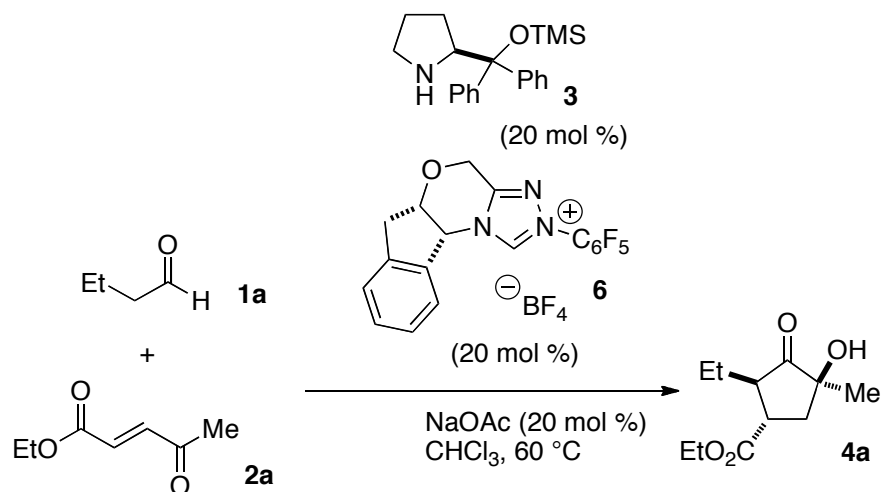
⁵ J. L. Zigterman, J. C. S. Woo, S. D. Walker, J. S. Tedrow, C. J. Borths, E. E. Bunel and M. M. Faul, *J. Org. Chem.*, 2007, **72**, 8870.

⁶ J.-Q. Yu and E. J. Corey, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.*, 2003, **125**, 3232.

⁷ M. Marigo, T. C. Wabnitz, D. Fielenbach and K. A. Jørgensen, *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.*, 2005, **44**, 794.

⁸ H. U. Vora, S. P. Lathrop, N. T. Reynolds, M. S. Kerr, J. Read de Alaniz and T. Rovis, *Org. Synth.*, 2010, **87**, 350.

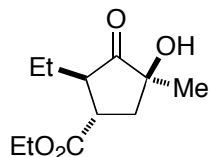
Representative Procedures



General procedure for synthesis of **4a**:

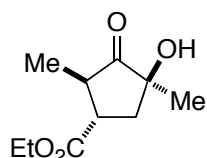
25 mg (0.17 mmol) of Keto-Ester **2a** is added to an oven-dried 10mL round bottom flask. 11mg (0.2 equiv., 0.03 mmol) of amine catalyst **3** and 14 mg (0.2 equiv., 0.03 mmol) of triazolium **6** are then added. 1 ml of CHCl₃ is added and argon is bubbled into the mixture. 20 μ l (1.2-1.5 equiv, 0.2 mmol) of butyraldehyde (**1a**) is then added, followed by 2.5mg (0.2 equiv, 0.03 mmol) of NaOAc. The reaction is outfitted with a reflux condenser and stir bar, and heated to 60 °C for 12 hours. The reaction is cooled to room temperature and filtered through a small plug (1 in) of silica gel, washing with DCM and EtOAc. The solution is concentrated and purified by column chromatography, eluting with 10% EtOAc/DCM to 50% EtOAc/Hexanes through silica gel. Fractions were collected and concentrated to provide the desired product.

Characterization Data



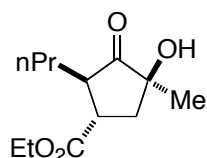
(1S,2R,4S)-ethyl 2-ethyl-4-hydroxy-4-methyl-3-oxocyclopentanecarboxylate (4a)

Rf= 0.3 (10% Ethyl Acetate/Dichloromethane); 28 mg (72%), 94% ee, 19:1:<1:<1 dr $[\alpha]_D^{21} = -40.83$ (c = 0.0024 g/ml, CHCl₃) **GC Analysis** CP-Sil 8CB column at 110 °C, 1 ml/min. Major: 12.07min. Minor: 12.95 min, 13.84 min, 15.14 min. BDM-1 column at 130 °C, 1 ml/min. Major: 24.35 min. Minor: 23.81 min. **¹H NMR:** (300 MHz; CDCl₃): δ_H 4.16-4.23 (2 H, q), 2.98 (1 H, d, *J* 7.2), 2.33 (1 H, ddd, *J*=13.7, 7.2 and 0.3), 1.94 (1 H, d, *J*=10.5), 1.63 (1 H, d, *J*=7.3), 1.33 (3 H, d, *J*=0.8), 1.25-1.33 (3 H, t, *J* = 7.2), 0.92 (3 H, td, *J*=7.5 and 0.8). **¹³C NMR:** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 216.7, 174.8, 75.7, 60.9, 51.7, 42.3, 39.3, 23.0, 22.1, 14.1, 10.8. **IR** (NaCl, neat): 3465, 2971, 2937, 2878, 1733, 1519, 1447, 1378, 1298, 1234, 1177. **HRMS:** (ESI-) calcd for C₁₂H₂₀O₄, 227.1289. Found 227.1291.



(1S,2R,4S)-ethyl 4-hydroxy-2,4-dimethyl-3-oxocyclopentanecarboxylate (4b)

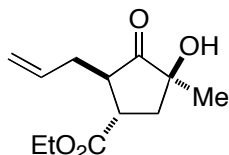
Rf= 0.3 (10% Ethyl Acetate/Dichloromethane); 28 mg (78%), 88% ee, 24:1.5:1 dr $[\alpha]_D^{21} = -101.82$ (c = 0.0011 g/ml, CHCl₃) **GC Analysis** CP-Sil 8CB column at 110 °C, 1 ml/min. Major: 7.54min. Minor: 8.22, 9.46 min. BDM-1 column at 130 °C, 1 ml/min. Major: 17.33 min. Minor: 16.82 min. **¹H NMR:** (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.20 (q, 2H), 2.84 (q, 1H), 2.61 (m, 1H), 2.34 (dd, 1H), 1.94 (t, 1H), 1.35 (s, 3H), 1.29 (s, 3H), 1.24 (t, 3H). **¹³C NMR:** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 217.4, 174.5, 61.2, 46.07, 45.4, 39.3, 23.5, 14.4, 13.9. **IR** (NaCl, neat): 3436, 2980, 2938, 1732, 1520, 1450, 1376, 1181. **HRMS:** (ESI-) calcd for C₁₁H₂₆O₄, 213.1249. Found 213.1256.



(1S,2R,4S)-ethyl 4-hydroxy-4-methyl-3-oxo-2-propylcyclopentanecarboxylate(4c)

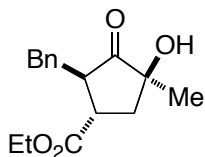
Rf= 0.3 (10% Ethyl Acetate/Dichloromethane); 31 mg (76%), 95% ee, 33:1:1 dr $[\alpha]_D^{21} = -56.97$ (c = 0.0033 g/ml, CHCl₃) **GC Analysis** CP-Sil 8CB column at 110 °C, 1 ml/min. Major: 19.66min. Minor: 20.77, 22.00 min. BDM-1 column at 100 °C, 2 ml/min. Major: 112.04 min. Minor: 113.74 min. **¹H NMR:** (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.20 (q, 2H), 2.95 (q, 1H), 2.66 (m, 1H), 2.33 (dd, 1H), 1.92 (m, 1H), 1.72 (m, 1H), 1.49 (m, 1H), 1.33 (s, 3H), 1.28 (t, 3H), 0.90 (t, 3H). **¹³C NMR:** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 217.3, 175.1, 61.2, 50.2, 43.4,

39.7, 31.9, 23.2, 20.1, 14.4, 14.2. **IR** (NaCl, neat): 3448, 2964, 1734, 1377, 1178, 1038, 756 cm^{-1} . **HRMS**: (ESI-) calcd for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}_4$, 227.1289. Found 227.1291.



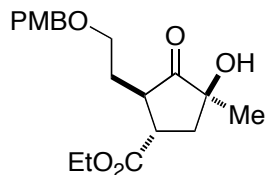
(1S,2R,4S)-ethyl 2-allyl-4-hydroxy-4-methyl-3-oxocyclopentanecarboxylate (4e)

R_f = 0.39 (10% Ethyl Acetate/Dichloromethane); 37 mg (97%), 85% ee, 15:1:0.2:0.2 dr, $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{21} = -67.23$ (c = 0.0047 g/ml, CHCl_3) **GC Analysis**: CP-Sil 8CB at 110 °C, 1 ml/min. Major 16.70 min. Minor: 18.16 min, 20.74 min, 21.11 min. **HPLC Analysis**: ChiralPak IA column at 97% Hexanes/iPrOH, 1 ml/min. Major: 14.346 min. Minor: 12.338 min. **¹H NMR**: (300 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 5.73-5.61 (m, 1H), 5.12-5.00 (m, 2H), 4.20-4.13 (m, 2H), 2.98 (td, *J* = 10.3, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 2.77 (ddd, *J* = 10.2, 7.3, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 2.56-2.50 (m, 1H), 2.33 (dtd, *J* = 13.6, 6.8, 1.9 Hz, 2H), 1.91 (ddd, *J* = 13.7, 10.4, 0.4 Hz, 1H), 1.33 (d, *J* = 0.7 Hz, 3H), 1.33-1.24 (m, 3H). **¹³C NMR**: (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 216.0, 174.5, 134.3, 117.7, 75.6, 60.9, 49.9, 42.2, 39.3, 33.4, 23.0, 14.1 **IR** (NaCl, neat): 3457, 2979, 2930, 1734, 1641, 1520, 1444, 1378, 1227, 1179 cm^{-1} . **HRMS**: (APCI+) Calc'd for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}_4$, 227.1278. Found 227.1276.



(1S,2R,4S)-ethyl 2-benzyl-4-hydroxy-4-methyl-3-oxocyclopentanecarboxylate (4f)

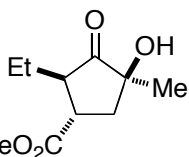
R_f = 0.21 (5% Ethyl Acetate/Dichloromethane); 25 mg (50%), 89% ee, 9:1:0.2:0.2 dr, $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{21} = -126.92$ (c = 0.0013 g/ml, CHCl_3) **HPLC Analysis** Chiracel IC at 95% Hexanes/iPrOH. Major 13.36 min. Minor: 11.36 min **¹H-NMR** (300 MHz; CDCl_3): δ 7.32-7.14 (m, 5H), 3.98-3.83 (m, 2H), 3.19 (dd, *J* = 13.7, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 3.04-2.89 (m, 2H), 2.81 (dd, *J* = 13.7, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 2.30-2.23 (m, 1H), 1.91-1.83 (m, 2H), 1.33 (s, 3H), 1.15-1.11 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H). **¹³C NMR**: (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 215.9, 174.6, 138.3, 129.55, 128.55, 126.72, 75.8, 61.1, 52.5, 42.8, 39.7, 35.4, 23.1, 14.2. **IR** (NaCl, neat): 3442, 2980, 1732, 1496, 1454, 1377, 1178, 1045. **HRMS**: (APCI+) Calc'd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{19}\text{O}_4$, 275.1289. Found 275.1292.



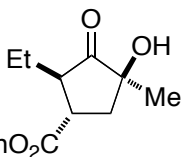
(1S,2R,4S)-ethyl 4-hydroxy-2-(2-((4-methoxybenzyl)oxy)ethyl)-4-methyl-3-oxocyclopentanecarboxylate (4g)

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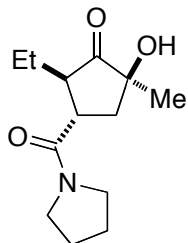
$[\alpha]_D^{21} = -42.61$ ($c = 0.0023$ g/ml, CHCl_3) **HPLC Analysis** Chiracel IC at 95% Hexanes/iProH. Major 13.64 min. Minor: 16.34 min **$^1\text{H-NMR}$** (300 MHz; CDCl_3): δ 7.23 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 2H), 6.86 (d, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 2H), 4.36 (d, $J = 4.0$ Hz, 2H), 4.13 (dd, $J = 11.6, 7.1$ Hz, 3H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.55 (td, $J = 4.8, 2.1$ Hz, 2H), 3.09 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 2.78 (s, 1H), 2.38-2.34 (m, 1H), 2.04 (d, $J = 5.4$ Hz, 3H), 1.88 (dd, $J = 13.7, 10.6$ Hz, 2H), 1.31 (s, 3H), 1.23 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 3H). **$^{13}\text{C NMR}$** : (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 216.5, 191.3, 180.5, 174.5, 159.1, 130.0, 129.2, 113.8, 113.7, 72.4, 67.1, 60.9, 55.2, 47.7, 42.7, 39.8, 29.0, 22.7, 14.1 **IR** (NaCl, neat): 3445, 2936, 1730, 1611, 1514, 1444, 1376, 1301, 1247, 1174. **HRMS**: (ESI-) Calc'd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{25}\text{O}_6$, 349.1657. Found 349.1663.



(1S,2R,4S)-methyl 2-ethyl-4-hydroxy-4-methyl-3-oxocyclopentanecarboxylate (4h)
 Rf= 0.24 (10% Ethyl Acetate/Dichloromethane); 38 mg (97%), 89% ee, 33:1:1:nd dr
 $[\alpha]_D^{21} = -62.32$ ($c = 0.0043$ g/ml, CHCl_3) **GC Analysis** CP-Sil 8CB column at 110 °C, 1 ml/min. Major: 8.33 min. Minor: 8.98, 9.51 min. BDM-1 column at 130 °C, 1 ml/min. Major: 18.72 min. Minor: 18.31 min. **$^1\text{H NMR}$** : (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 3.7 (s, 3H), 2.99 (q, 1H), 2.62 (m, 1H), 2.32 (dd, 1H), 1.93 (m, 1H), 1.77 (m, 1H), 1.63 (m, 2H), 1.33 (s, 3H), 0.91 (t, 3H). **$^{13}\text{C NMR}$** : (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 216.3, 175.6, 52.4, 52.1, 42.4, 39.6, 23.1, 22.2, 10.9. **IR** 3456, 2970, 1737, 1439, 1377, 1170, 1032. **HRMS**: (ESI-) Calc'd for $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{16}\text{O}_4$, 199.0976. Found 199.0979.

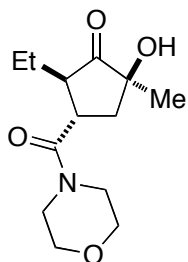


(1S,2R,4S)-benzyl 2-ethyl-4-hydroxy-4-methyl-3-oxocyclopentanecarboxylate (4i)
 Rf= 0.31 (10% Ethyl Acetate/Dichloromethane); 24 mg (58%), 85% ee, 17:1 dr $[\alpha]_D^{21} = -65.38$ ($c = 0.0013$ g/ml, CHCl_3) **GC Analysis** CP-Sil 8CB column at 140 °C, 3 ml/min. Major: 17.98 min. Minor: 19.92 min. **HPLC Analysis** : Chiralcel IC column 95:5 Hexanes/Isopropanol, 1ml/min. Major: 11.03 min. Minor: 9.89 min. **$^1\text{H NMR}$** : (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.36 (bs, 5H), 5.18 (s, 2H), 3.06 (q, 1H), 2.65 (m, 1H), 2.32 (dd, 1H), 1.94 (m, 1H), 1.62 (m, 2H), 1.32 (s, 3H), 0.89 (t, 3H). **$^{13}\text{C NMR}$** : (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 216.7, 174.9, 135.8, 128.8, 128.6, 128.4, 67.0, 51.9, 42.6, 39.5, 23.1, 22.3, 11.0. **IR** (NaCl, neat): 3448, 3034, 2969, 2935, 2878, 1734, 1455, 1385 cm^{-1} . **HRMS**: (ESI-) calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{19}\text{O}_4$, 275.1289. Found 275.1292.



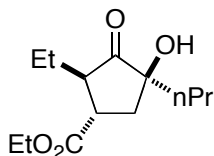
(2S,4S,5R)-5-ethyl-2-hydroxy-2-methyl-4-(pyrrolidine-1-carbonyl)cyclopentanone (4j)

R_f = 0.27 (50% Ethyl Acetate/Dichloromethane); 30 mg (70%), 97% ee, 8:1:0.3:0.1 dr, [α]_D²¹ = -40.0 (c = 0.0017 g/ml, CHCl₃) **GC Analysis** CP-Sil 8CB at 140 °C, 3 ml/min. Major: 12.52 min. Minor: 10.08min, 9.59 min., BDM1 column at 170 °C, 3ml/min. Major: 20.23 min. Minor: 19.75 min. **¹H NMR:** (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.52 (quint, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 4H), 3.08 (m, 1H), 2.94 (m, 1H), 2.25 (dd, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 1.97-1.81 (m, 5H), 1.71 (m, 2H), 1.54 (m, 1H), 1.34 (s, 3H), 0.89 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 3H). **¹³C NMR:** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 217.8, 172.3, 52.4, 46.8, 46.3, 42.1, 39.5, 26.2, 24.5, 23.4, 21.9, 11.3 **IR** (NaCl, neat): 3354, 2969, 2876, 1746, 1622, 1518, 1452, 1343, 1255, 1229, 1165cm⁻¹. **HRMS:** (ESI+) Calcd for C₁₃H₂₂NO₃, 240.1594. Found 240.1596.



(2S,4S,5R)-5-ethyl-2-hydroxy-2-methyl-4-(morpholine-4-carbonyl)cyclopentanone (4k)

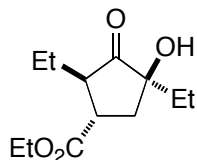
R_f = 0.30 (100% Ethyl Acetate); 37 mg (99%), 98% ee, 9:1:0.4:0.1 dr, [α]_D²¹ = -44.23 (c = 0.0052 g/ml, CHCl₃) **GC Analysis** CP-Sil 8CB at 140 °C, 3 ml/min. Major: 14.49 min. Minor: 12.83min, 12.01 min, 12.45 min. BDM1 column at 160 °C, 3ml/min. Major: 41.07 min. Minor: 40.48 min. **¹H NMR:** (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.68 (m, 8H), 3.17 (m, 1H), 3.01 (m, 1H), 2.19 (dd, *J* = 6.9, 13.5 Hz, 1H), 1.81 (m, 2H), 1.55 (m, 1H), 1.33 (s, 3H), 0.89 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 3H) **¹³C NMR:** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 217.0, 191.3, 172.0, 75.84, 66.9, 51.8, 45.9, 42.6, 39.8, 39.5, 23.1, 21.7, 11.1 **IR** (NaCl, neat): 3383, 2966, 1745, 1638, 1438, 1240, 1117 cm⁻¹. **HRMS:** (ESI+) XX



(1S,2R,4S)-ethyl 2-ethyl-4-hydroxy-3-oxo-4-propylcyclopentanecarboxylate (4l)

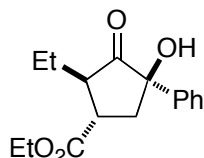
R_f = 0.24 (10% Ethyl Acetate/Dichloromethane); 19 mg (53%), 85% ee, 16:1 dr [α]_D²¹ = -70.0 (c = 0.0008 g/ml, CHCl₃) **GC Analysis** CP-Sil 8CB at 110 °C, 1 ml/min. Major: 32.66min. Minor: 35.76 min. BDM-1 column at 130 °C, 1 ml/min. Major: 55.68 min.

Minor: 54.01 min. **¹H NMR**: (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.20 (q, 2H), 2.95 (q, 1H), 2.60 (m, 1H), 2.20 (dd, 1H), 2.02 (m, 1H), 1.79 (m, 1H), 1.60 (m, 3H), 1.50 (m, 2H) 1.29 (t, 3H), 0.92 (m, 6H). **¹³C NMR**: (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 217.2, 175.1, 61.2, 52.5, 42.5, 38.9, 37.2, 21.9, 16.9, 14.6, 14.4, 11.1. **IR** (NaCl, neat): 3437, 2957, 2865, 1720, 1462, 1377, 1232, 1191 cm⁻¹. **HRMS**: (ESI-) calcd for C₁₃H₂₁O₄, 241.1445. Found 241.1442.



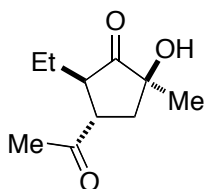
(1S,2R,4S)-ethyl 2,4-diethyl-4-hydroxy-3-oxocyclopentanecarboxylate (4m)

Rf= 0.21 (10% Ethyl Acetate/Dichloromethane); 42 mg (76%), 81% ee, 55:1:1 dr [α]_D²¹ = -56.82 (c = 0.0022 g/ml, CHCl₃) **GC Analysis** CP-Sil 8CB at 110 °C, 1 ml/min. Major: 20.19 min. Minor: 22.52, 24.50 min. BDM-1 column at 130 °C, 1 ml/min. Major: 35.16 min. Minor: 34.54 min. **¹H NMR**: (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.20 (q, 2H), 2.94 (q, 1H), 2.61 (m, 1H), 2.21 (dd, 1H), 1.99 (m, 1H), 1.78 (m, 1H), 1.60 (m, 3H), 1.29 (t, 3H), 0.92 (t, 3H). **¹³C NMR**: (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 217.3, 175.2, 61.2, 52.6, 42.4, 36.7, 29.6, 21.9, 14.4, 11.1, 7.8. **IR** (NaCl, neat): 3467, 2970, 2938, 2880, 1734, 1518, 1462, 1378, 1231, 1179, 1035, 995, 947 cm⁻¹. **HRMS**: (ESI-) calcd for C₁₂H₂₀O₄, 227.1289. Found 227.1292.



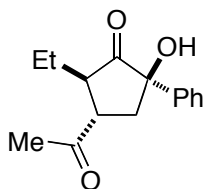
(1S,2R,4R)-ethyl 2-ethyl-4-hydroxy-3-oxo-4-phenylcyclopentanecarboxylate (4n)

Rf= 0.71 (10% Ethyl Acetate/Dichloromethane); 39 mg (95%), 83% ee, 4.4:1:<1:<1 dr [α]_D²¹ = -62.50 (c = 0.002 g/ml, CHCl₃) **GC Analysis** CP-Sil 8CB at 170 °C, 2 ml/min. Major: 6.40min. Minor: 6.50, 7.96, 7.86 min. **HPLC Analysis** : Chiralcel IC column 95:5 Hexanes/Isopropanol, 1ml/min. Major: 9.43 min. Minor: 10.13 min. **¹H NMR**: (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.35 (bs, 5H), 4.15 (m, 2H), 3.13 (q, 1H), 2.83 (m, 1H), 2.60 (dd, 1H), 2.30 (m, 0.5H), 1.74 (m, 1H), 1.27 (q, 3H), 0.98 (t, 3H). **¹³C NMR**: (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 215.7, 174.7, 141.2, 128.7, 128.2, 125.6, 61.3, 53.9, 42.8, 42.0, 22.0, 14.4, 11.0. **IR** (NaCl, neat): 3442, 3062, 2973, 2938, 2878, 1733, 1496, 1448, 1376 cm⁻¹. **HRMS**: (ESI+) calcd for C₁₆H₂₀O₄Na, 299.1254. Found 299.1256.



(2S,4S,5R)-4-acetyl-5-ethyl-2-hydroxy-2-methylcyclopentanone (4p)

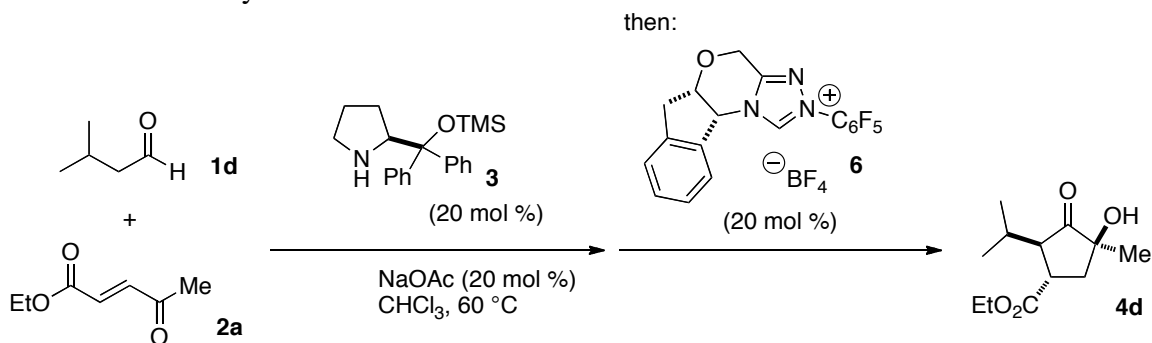
Rf= 0.3 (10% Ethyl Acetate/Dichloromethane); 24mg (58%), 68% ee, 9:1:0.4:0.6 dr, $[\alpha]_D^{21} = -56.0$ (c = 0.0025g/ml, CHCl₃) **GC Analysis** [CP-Sil 8CB] at 110 °C, 1 ml/min. Major: 6.96. Minor: 7.37 min, 8.05 min, 8.38 min. **HPLC Analysis**: Chiracel IC column at 98% Hexanes/Isopropanol, 1ml/min. Major: 33.32 min. Minor: 27.89 min. **¹H NMR**: (300 MHz; CDCl₃): δ 3.17 (td, *J* = 10.2, 7.4 Hz, 1H), 2.78-2.71 (m, 1H), 2.36 (dd, *J* = 13.5, 7.4 Hz, 1H), 2.27 (s, 3H), 2.01-2.00 (m, 1H), 1.77-1.66 (m, 2H), 1.62-1.52 (m, 2H), 1.31 (s, 3H), 0.88 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 3H). **¹³C NMR**: (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 217.1, 208.9, 75.9, 49.9, 49.8, 39.4, 29.5, 22.9, 22.1, 11.0 **IR** (NaCl, neat): 3442, 2971, 2931, 1741, 1702, 1437, 1386, 1267, 1226, 1162 cm⁻¹. **HRMS**: (ESI-) calcd for C₁₀H₁₅O₃, 183.1027. Found 183.1027.



(2*R*,4*S*,5*R*)-4-acetyl-5-ethyl-2-hydroxy-2-phenylcyclopentanone (4q)

Rf= 0.12 (10% Ethyl Acetate/Dichloromethane); 12mg (35%), % ee, 4:1:0.4:0.6 dr, $[\alpha]_D^{21} = -104$ (c = 0.003g/ml, CHCl₃) **GC Analysis**: CP-Sil 8CB at 170 °C and 3 ml/min. Major: 25.108 min. Minor: 26.679 min, 30.489 min, 35.243 min. **HPLC Analysis** Chiracel IC column at 95% Hexanes/*i*PrOH, 1 ml/min. Major: 11.248 min. Minor 12.768 min. **¹H NMR**: (300 MHz; CDCl₃): δ 7.41-7.27 (m, 5H), 3.33 (td, *J* = 11.0, 6.7 Hz, 1H), 2.95 (dt, *J* = 10.9, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 2.66-2.56 (m, 2H), 2.32-2.24 (m, 3H), 2.02 (ddd, *J* = 13.6, 11.5, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 1.86-1.76 (m, 1H), 1.74-1.64 (m, 1H), 1.64-1.57 (m, 1H), 0.96-0.88 (m, 3H). **¹³C NMR**: (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 215.9, 208.4, 140.9, 128.5, 128.0, 125.2, 80.2, 52.3, 49.8, 41.9, 29.7, 21.7, 11.0 **IR** (NaCl, neat): 3410, 3061, 3029, 2966, 2934, 2877, 2252, 1956, 1744, 1708, 1600, 1518, 1495, 1448, 1367, 1217 cm⁻¹.

Procedure for the synthesis of **4d**:



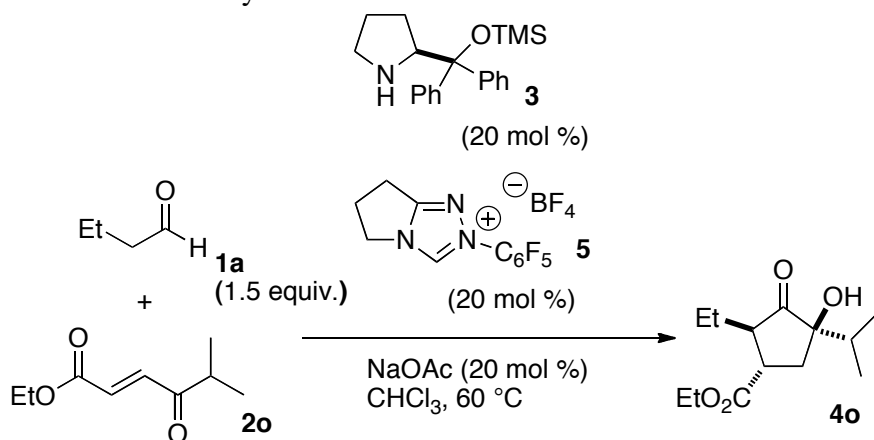
(1*S*,2*R*,4*S*)-ethyl 4-hydroxy-2-isopropyl-4-methyl-3-oxocyclopentanecarboxylate (4d)

In a 5 ml round bottom flask, 25 mg of **2a** (0.17 mmol) was combined with 10 mg of **3** (0.2 equiv, 0.03 mmol) and 1.7 μ l of AcOH (0.2 equiv., 0.03 mmol) and dissolved in 1 ml of chloroform. The reaction was stirred at 60 °C for 3 hours. The reaction was cooled to

room temperature and 14 mg of **6** (0.2 equiv., 0.03 mmol) and 5 mg of sodium acetate (0.4 equiv., 0.06 mmol) were added. The reaction was stirred at 60 °C for an additional 4 hours. The reaction was cooled to room temperature and filtered through a plug of silica gel, washing with DCM then EtOAc. The filtrate was concentrated and purified by column chromatography, eluting with 10% EtOAc/DCM to 50% EtOAc/Hexanes through silica gel. Isolated a yellow oil.

R_f = 0.35 (10% Ethyl Acetate/Dichloromethane); 49 mg (90%), 88% ee, 24:1:0.1 dr, [α]_D²¹ = -66.96 (c = 0.0046 g/ml, CHCl₃) **GC Analysis** CP-Sil 8CB column at 90 °C, 2 ml/min. Major: 24.48 min. Minor: 26.62 min, 27.69 min. BDM1 column at 130 °C, 2ml/min. Major: 18.48 min. Minor: 17.71 min. **¹H NMR:** (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.20 (q, *J* = 6.9, 2H), 3.08 (q, *J* = 7.5, 1H), 2.72 (dd, *J* = 3.9, 9.9, 1H), 2.92 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 13.8, 1H), 2.25 (m, 1H), 1.90 (m, 2H), 1.31 (s, 3H), 1.29 (t, *J* = 7.2, 3H), 0.97 (d, *J* = 6.9, 3H), 0.91 (d, *J* = 6.9, 3H). **¹³C NMR:** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 216.7, 175.7, 61.2, 56.7, 39.9, 39.6, 27.9, 22.9, 20.3, 18.8, 14.3 **IR** (NaCl, neat): 3472, 2967, 2876, 1735, 1519, 1466, 1378, 1338, 1239, 1177 cm⁻¹. **HRMS:** (ESI-) Calcd for C₁₂H₁₉O₄, 227.1289. Found 227.1291.

Procedure for the synthesis of **4o**:

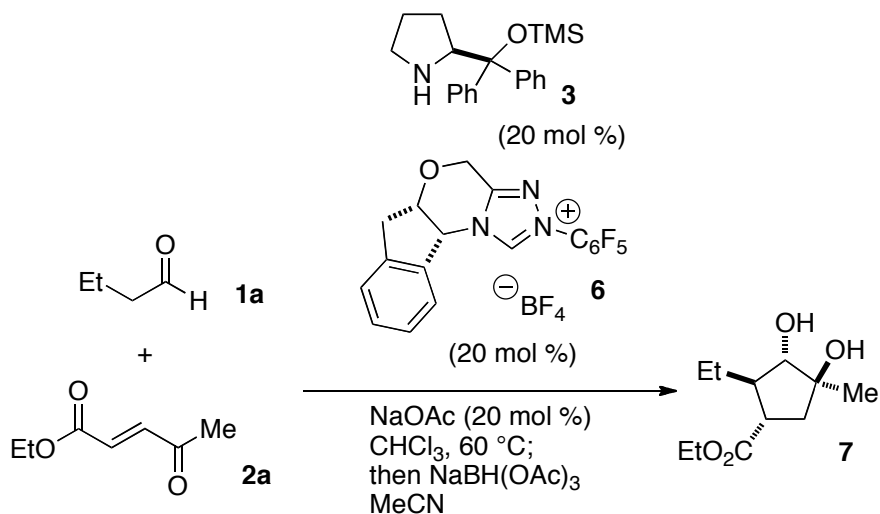


(1*S*,2*R*,4*R*)-ethyl 2-ethyl-4-hydroxy-4-isopropyl-3-oxocyclopentanecarboxylate (4o**)**

In a 5 ml round bottom flask, combined 25 mg of **2o** (0.15 mmol) with 10 mg of **3** (0.2 equiv., 0.03 mmol) and 11 mg of **5** (0.2 equiv., 0.03 mmol). Dissolved in 1 ml of CHCl₃ and bubbled Ar into the reaction mixture for 1 minute. Added 20 μl of butyraldehyde (**1a**, 1.5 equiv., 0.22 mmol) and 2.5 mg of NaOAc (0.2 equiv., 0.03 mmol). Stirred at 80 °C for 4 hours. Cooled to room temperature and filtered through a plug of silica gel, washing with DCM then EtOAc. Concentrated the filtrate and purified by column chromatography, eluting with 10% EtOAc/DCM through 50% EtOAc/Hexanes through silica gel. Isolated a yellow solid (mixture of diastereomers).

R_f = 0.3 (10% Ethyl Acetate/Dichloromethane); 25 mg (69%), 51% ee, 18:1:0.1:0.7 dr, [α]_D²¹ = -44.50 (c = 0.004 g/ml, CHCl₃) **GC Analysis** CP-Sil 8CB at 110 °C, 1 ml/min. Major: 27.97min. Minor: 28.35 min, 30.41 min, 32.16 min. BDM1 column at 130 °C, 2ml/min. Major: 26.85 min. Minor: 27.55 min. **¹H NMR**: (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.21 (q, *J* = 7.2, 2H), 2.93 (q, *J* = 7.2, 1H), 2.54 (q, *J* = 5.7, 1H), 2.01 (m, 3H), 1.83 (m, 2H), 1.60 (m, 1H), 1.29 (t, *J* = 6.9, 3H), 0.98 (d, *J* = 6.9, 3H), 0.90 (t, *J* = 7.5, 3H), 0.83 (d, *J* = 6.9, 3H). **¹³C NMR**: (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 217.6, 175.2, 81.4, 61.2, 53.9, 42.2, 33.4, 33.3, 21.5, 17.7, 16.2, 14.4, 10.9 **IR** (NaCl, neat): 3467, 2967, 2878, 1735, 1466, 1377, 1233, 1180 cm⁻¹. **HRMS**: (ESI⁻) calcd for C₁₃H₂₁O₄, 241.1445. Found 241.1444.

Procedure for diol **7**:



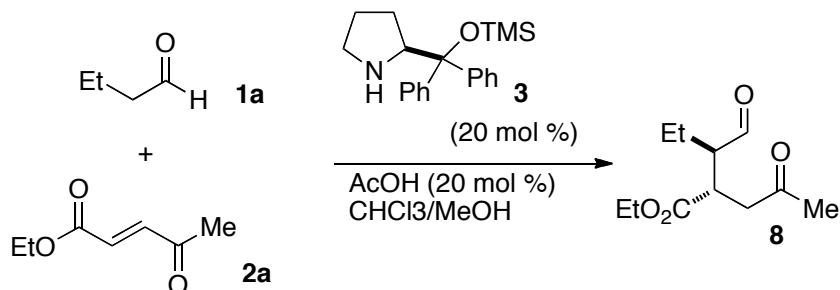
(1*S*,2*R*,3*S*,4*S*)-ethyl 2-ethyl-3,4-dihydroxy-4-methylcyclopentanecarboxylate (7**)**

In a 5 ml round bottom flask, 25 mg (0.17 mmol) of **2a** was combined with 10 mg of **3** (0.2 equiv., 0.03 mmol) and 14 mg of **6** (0.2 equiv., 0.03 mmol). This mixture was taken up in CHCl₃ and bubbled with Ar for 1 minute. 18 μl of butyraldehyde (**1a**, 1.2 equiv., 0.2 mmol) and 2.5 mg of NaOAc (0.2 equiv, 0.03 mmol) were added and the reaction was stirred at 60 °C for 5 hours. The reaction was cooled to room temperature and 40 mg of NaBH(OAc)₃ (1.1 equiv., 0.19 mmol) and 1 ml of acetonitrile were added. The suspension was stirred at room temperature overnight. The reaction mixture was filtered through silica gel, eluting with EtOAc. The filtrate was concentrated and purified by column chromatography, eluting with 100% EtOAc through silica gel. Isolated a yellow oil.

R_f = 0.22 (100% Ethyl Acetate); 31mg (84%), 88% ee, 35:1:<1:<1 dr, [α]_D²¹ = -67.33 (c = 0.0015 g/ml, CHCl₃) **GC Analysis** CP-Sil 8CB at 130 °C, 1 ml/min. Major: 8.69min. Minor: 5.6 min, 7.33 min, 5.12 min. BDM1 column at 120 °C, 2ml/min. Major: 62.36 min. Minor: 61.63 min. **¹H NMR**: (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ_H 4.13 (2 H, q, *J* 7.0, A), 3.55 (1 H, d, *J* 6.8, B), 2.60 (1 H, d, *J* 8.7, C), 1.99 (3 H, m, *J* 8.7, D), 1.65 (1 H, d, *J* 7.4, E), 1.54 (1 H, d, *J* 7.3, F), 1.31 (3 H, sG), 1.22-1.27 (3 H, mH), 0.94 (3 H, t, *J* 7.4, I). **¹³C NMR**: (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ_C 176.0, 84.4, 80.1, 60.6, 51.2, 44.5, 41.3, 26.5, 22.9, 14.1, 11.8 **IR**

(NaCl, neat): 3421, 2964, 2934, 2877, 1729, 1519, 1458, 1376, 1179 cm^{-1} . **HRMS:** (ESI+) calcd for $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{21}\text{O}_4$, 217.1434. Found 217.1444.

Procedure for Aldehyde **8**:



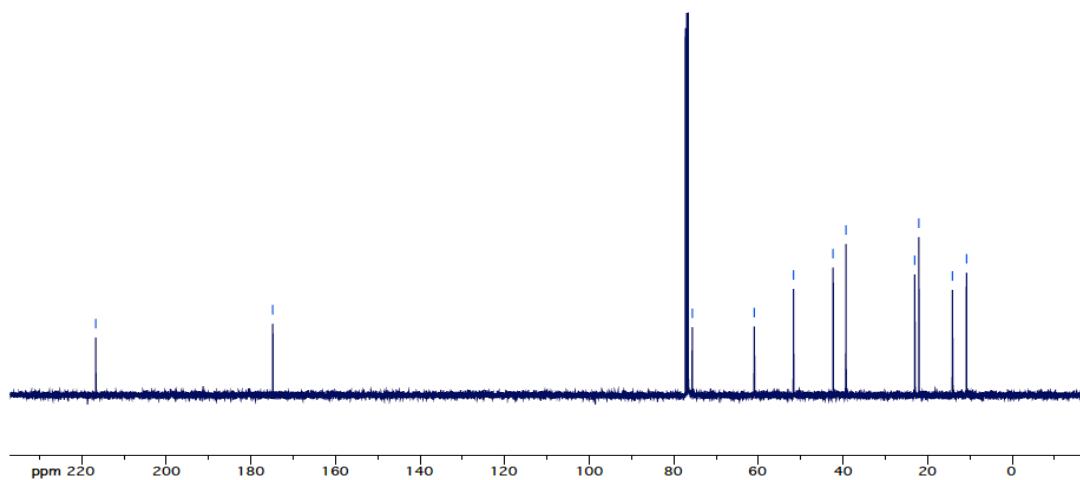
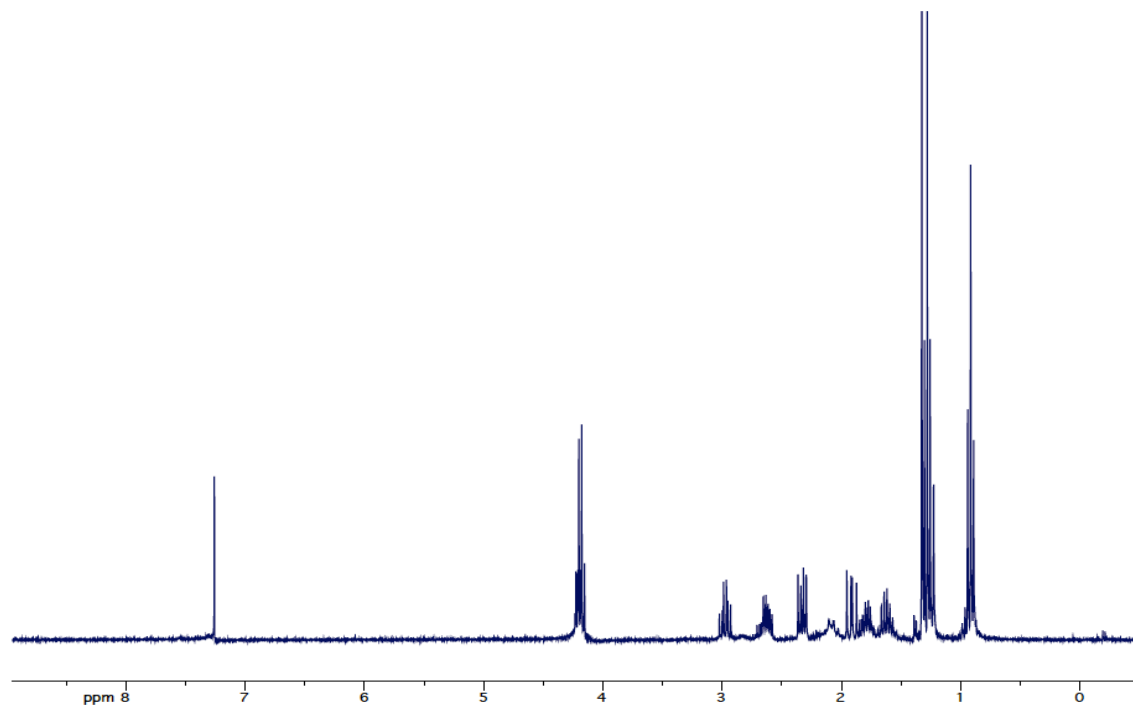
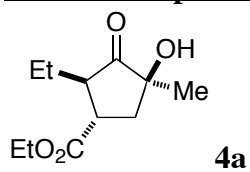
(2*S*,3*R*)-ethyl 3-formyl-2-(2-oxopropyl)pentanoate (8**)**⁹

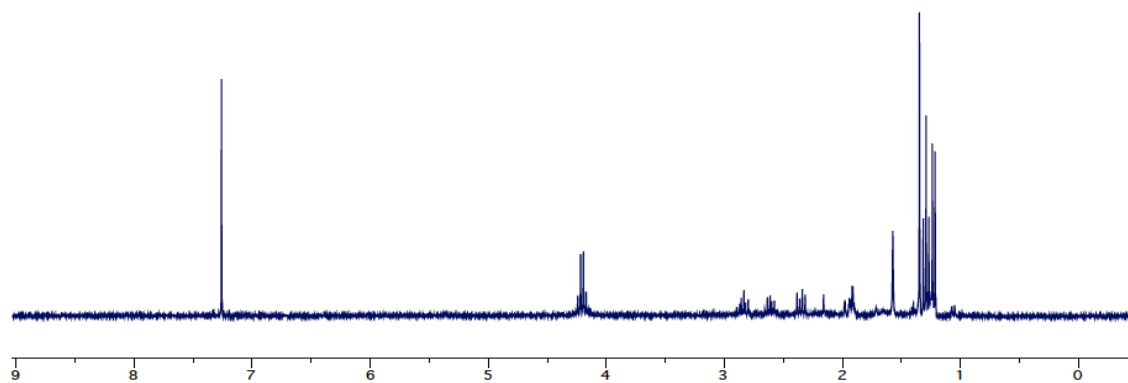
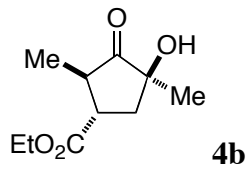
In a 5 ml round bottom flask, combined 200 mg of **2a** (1.41 mmol) with 45 mg of **3** (0.1 equiv, 0.14 mmol). Dissolved in 6 ml of CHCl_3 and 1 ml of MeOH, added 0.15 ml of butyraldehyde (**1a**, 1.2 equiv., 1.69 mmol) and 2 drops of acetic acid. Stirred at 60 °C for 5 hours. Cooled to room temperature and concentrated. Purified by column chromatography, eluting with 10% EtOAc/Hexanes through silica gel. Isolated as a mixture of diastereomers. Product is a yellow oil.

R_f = 0.45 (10% Ethyl Acetate/Dichloromethane); 301mg (99%), 96% ee, 1.1:1 dr, $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{21} = +20.8$ ($c = 0.005$ g/ml, CHCl_3) **GC Analysis.** **¹H NMR:** (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ_{H} 9.65 (1 H, s), 4.10-4.18 (2 H, m), 3.29-3.39 (1 H, m), 2.97 (1 H, ddd, J 25.6, 17.9 and 9.3), 2.53-2.59 (1 H, m), 2.36-2.53 (1 H, m), 2.17-2.22 (3 H, s), 1.70-1.80 (1 H, m), 1.40-1.54 (2 H, m), 1.22-1.32 (3 H, m), 0.94-1.00 (3 H, m). **¹³C NMR:** (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ_{C} 206.3, 206.1, 202.4, 191.3, 178.7, 18.3, 173.2, 172.9, 61.1, 54.1, 47.8, 47.4, 41.9, 41.5, 41.3, 39.3, 30.0, 29.9, 22.7, 21.9, 19.4, 14.0, 12.0. **IR** (NaCl, neat): 2971, 2881, 1720, 1463, 1369, 1165, 1045 cm^{-1} . **HRMS:** (ESI+) calcd for $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{19}\text{O}_4$, 215.1278. Found 215.1270.

⁹ J. Wang, A. Ma and D. Ma, *Org Lett.*, 2008, **10**, 5425.

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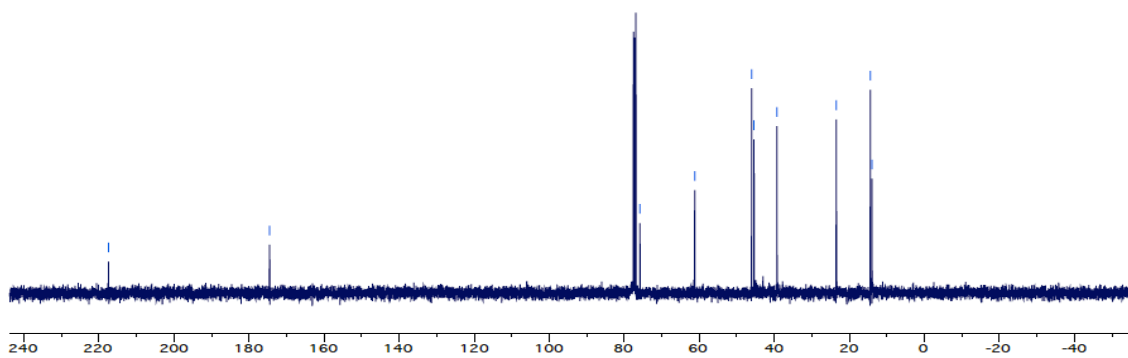
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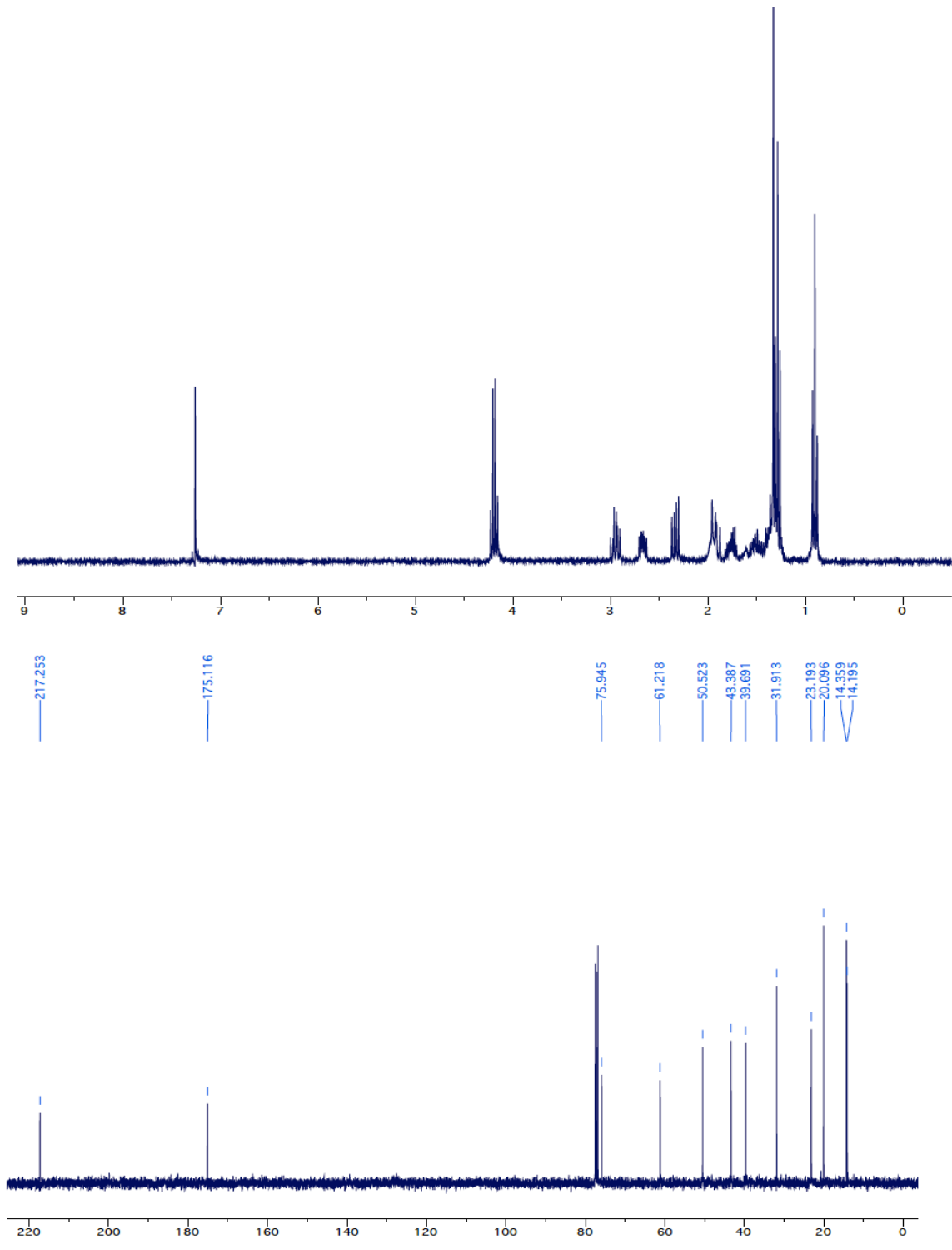
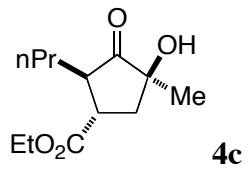
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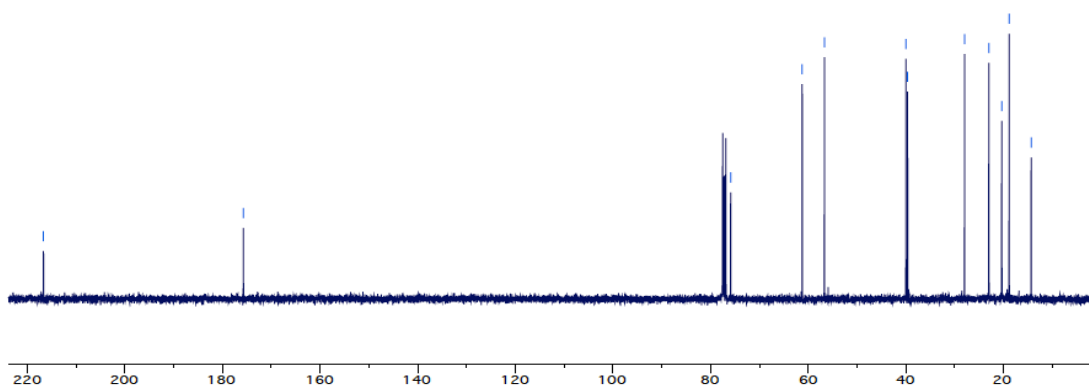
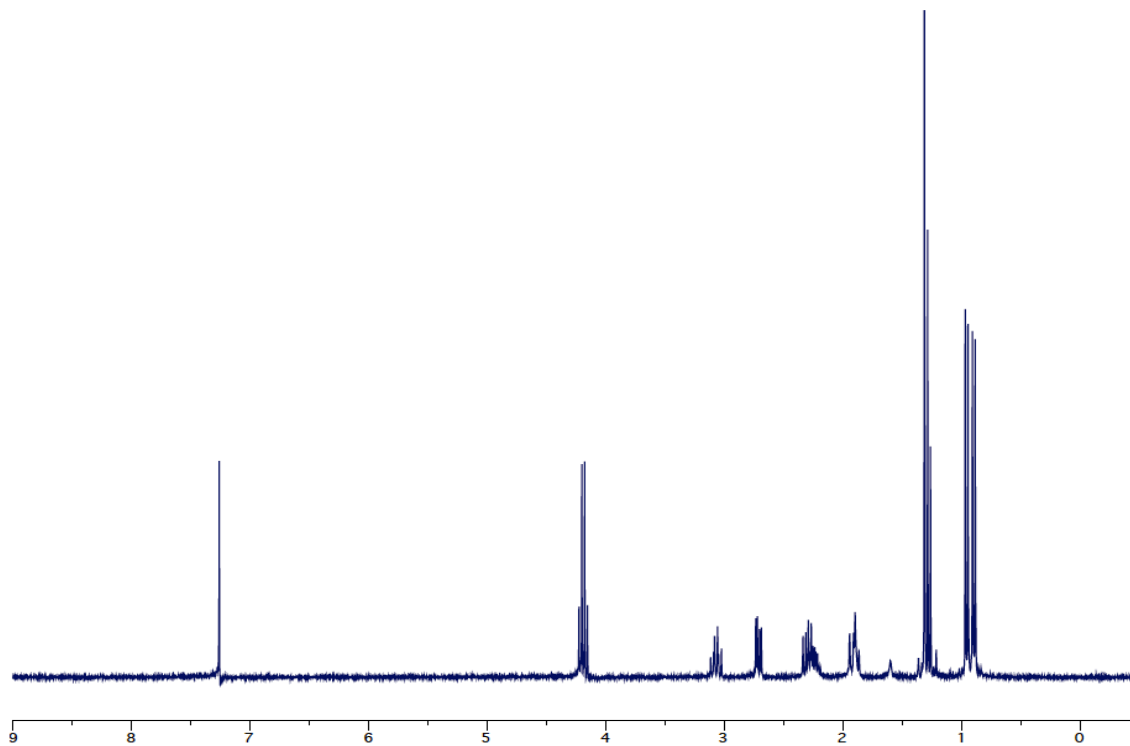
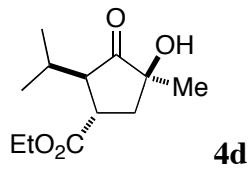
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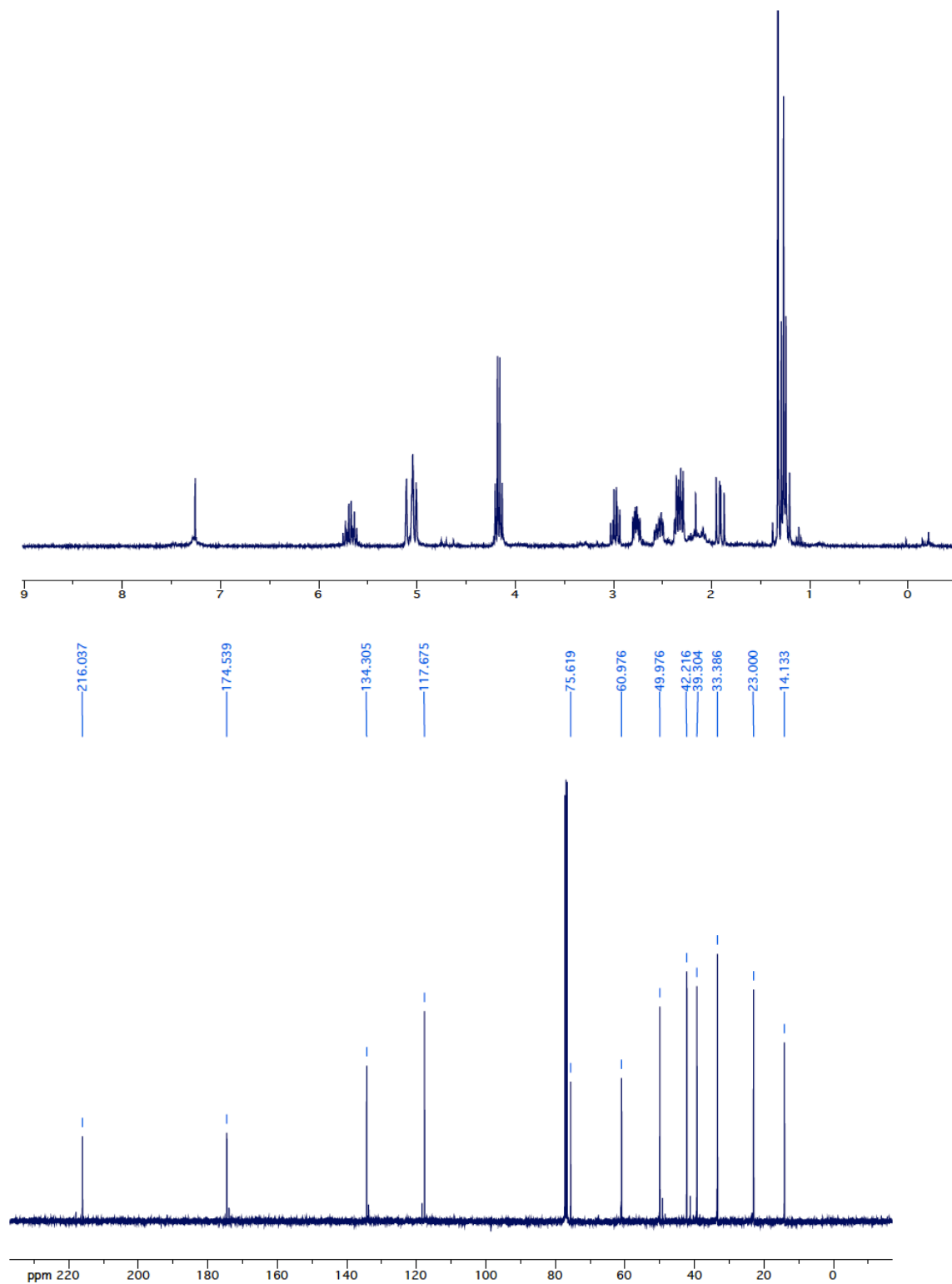
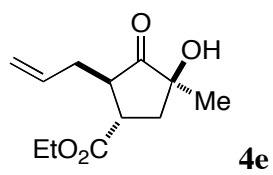
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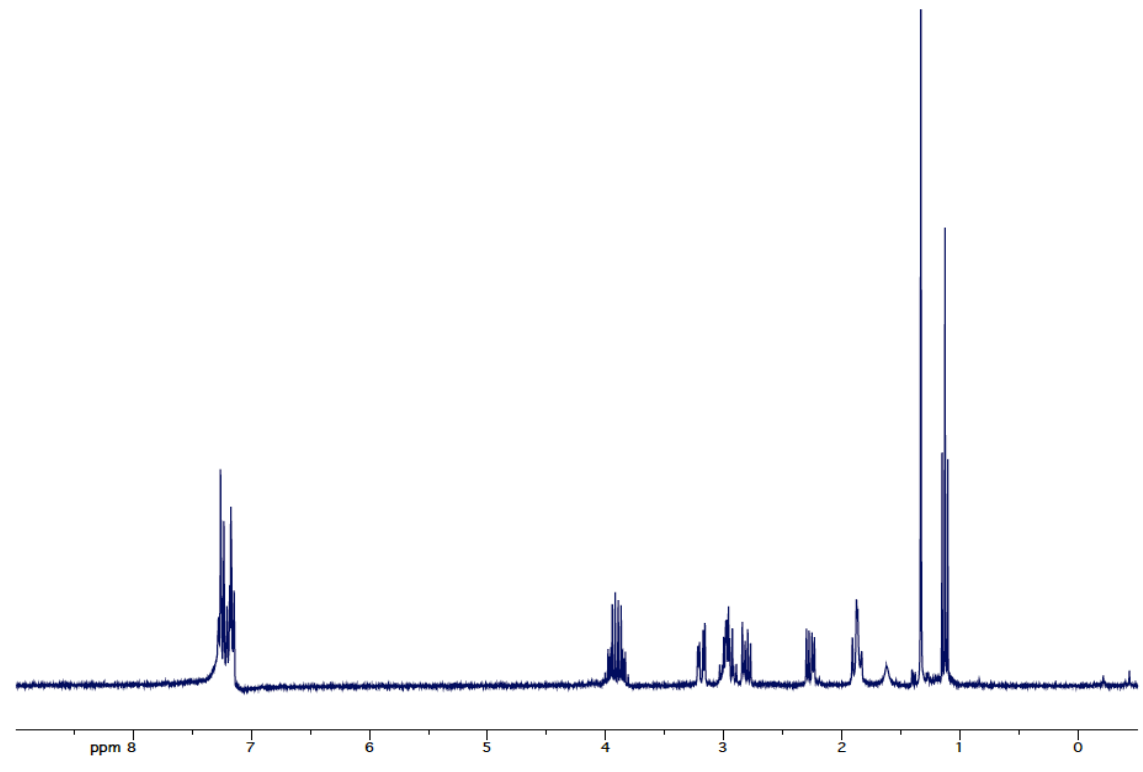
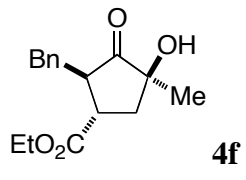
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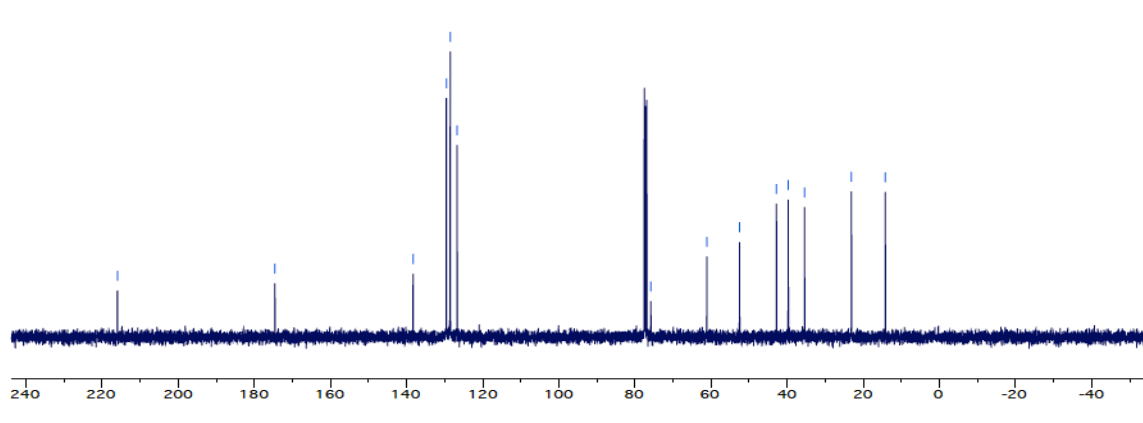


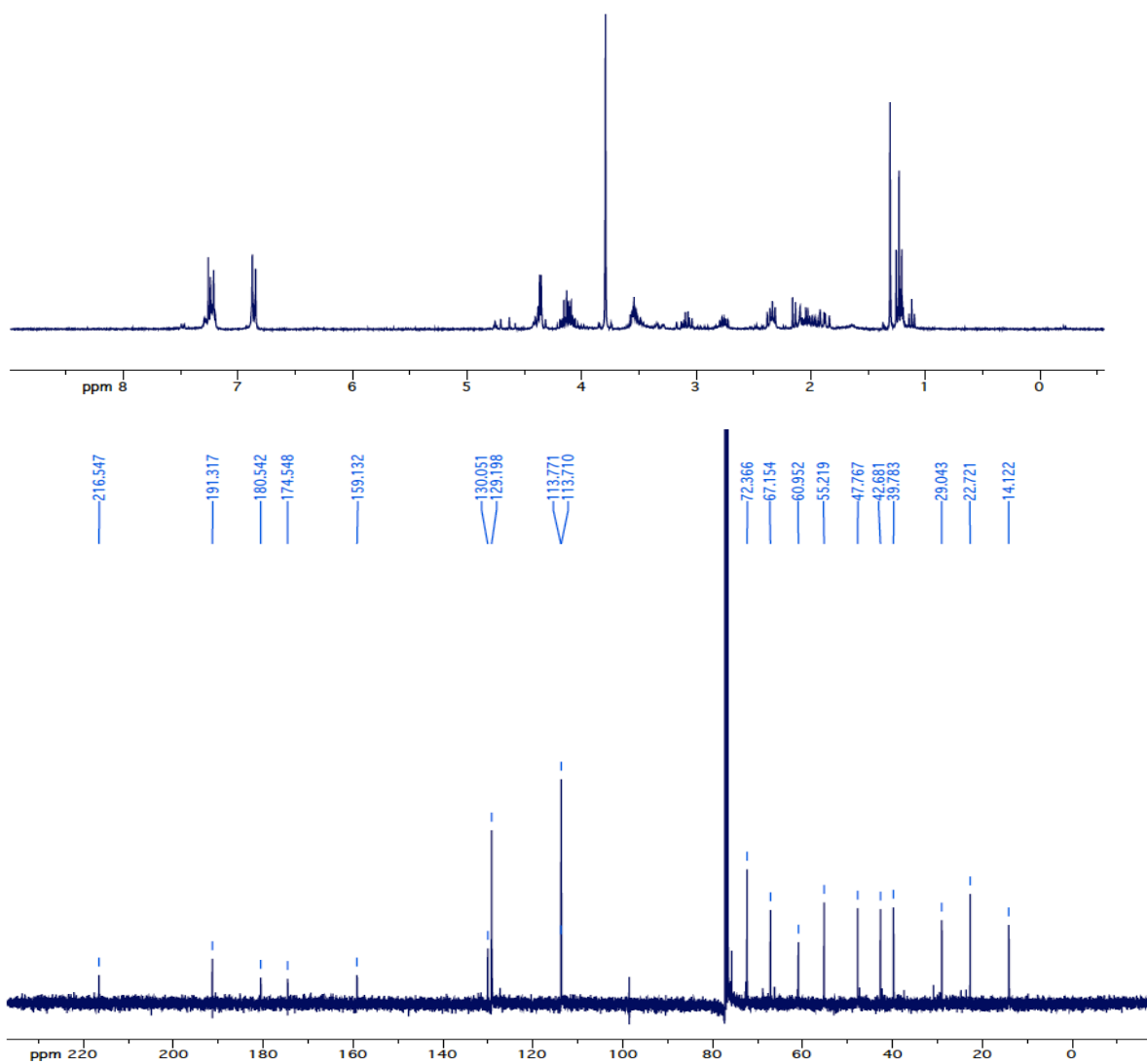
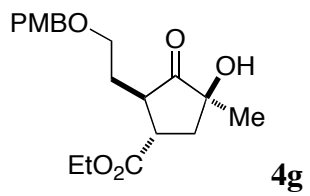


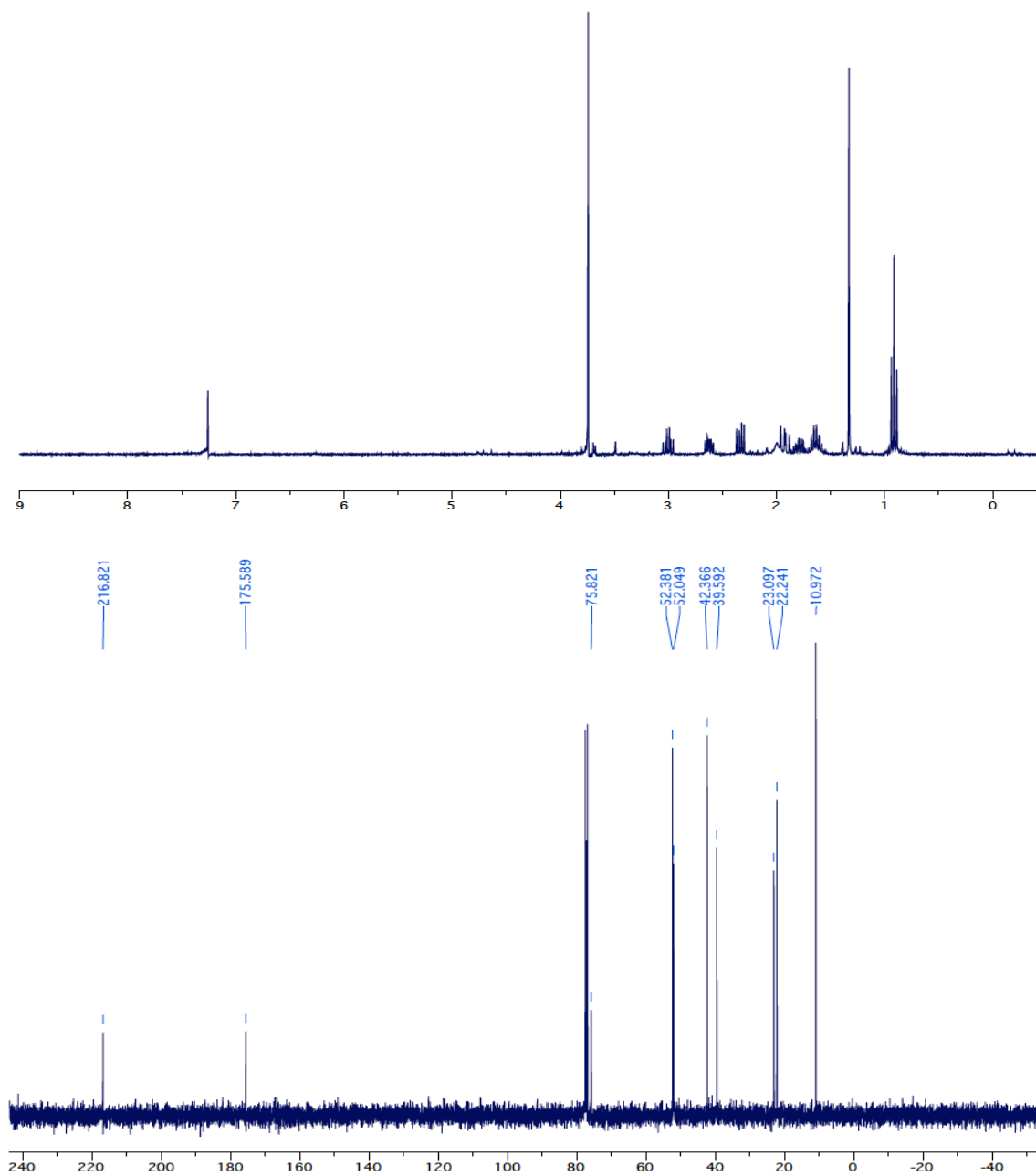
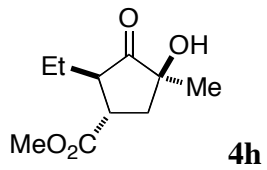


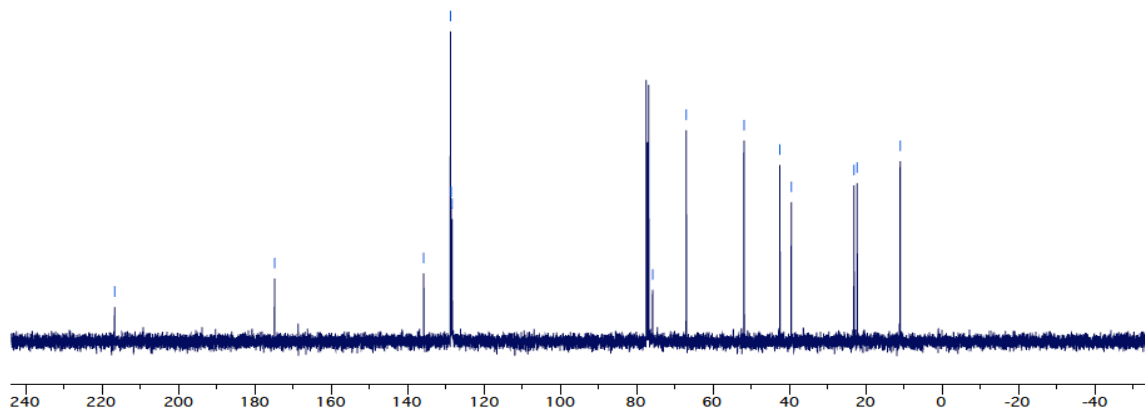
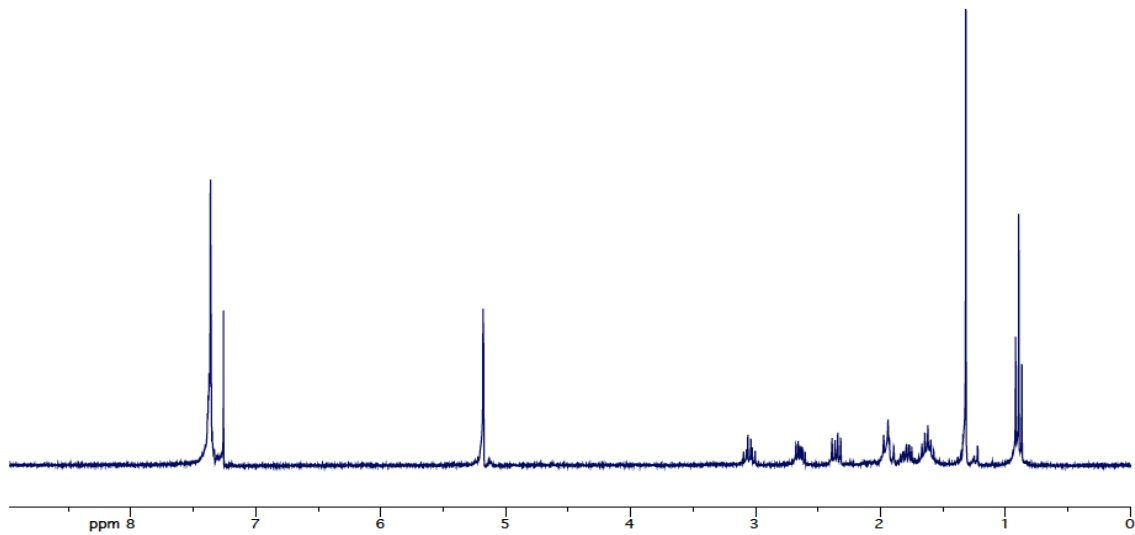
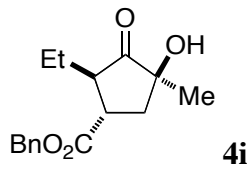


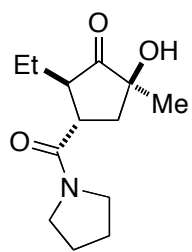
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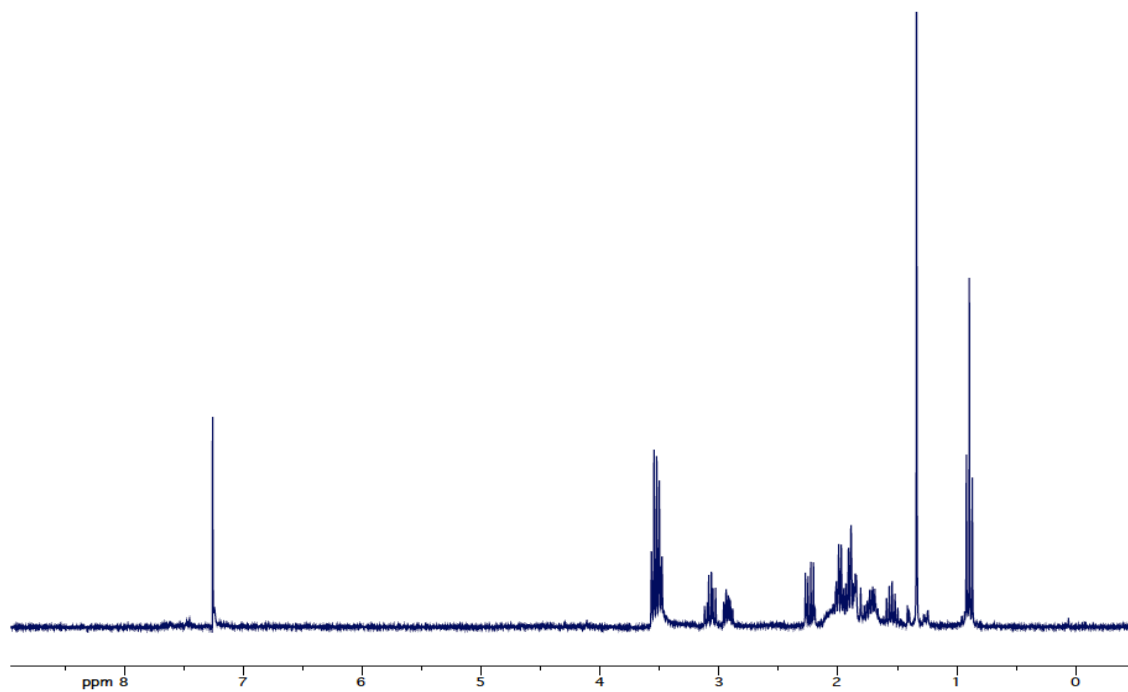








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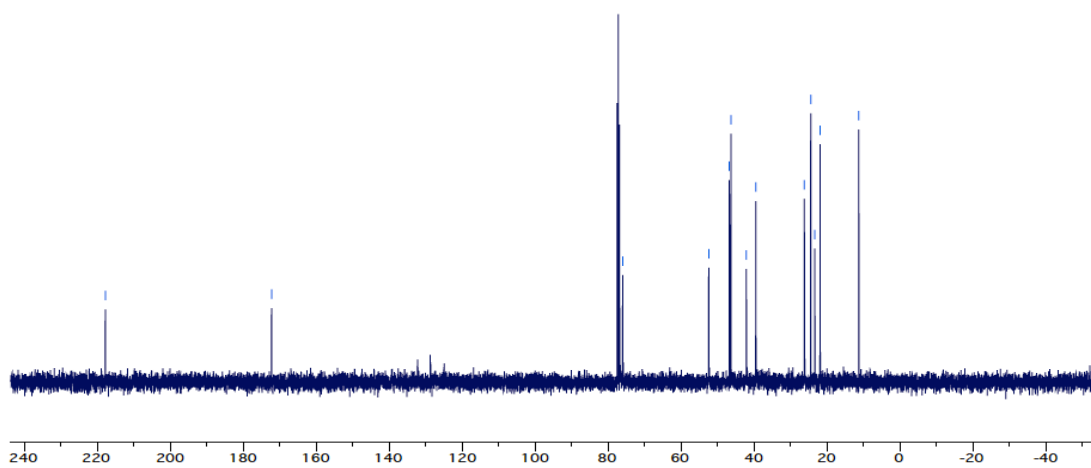
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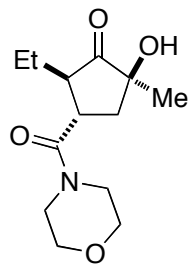
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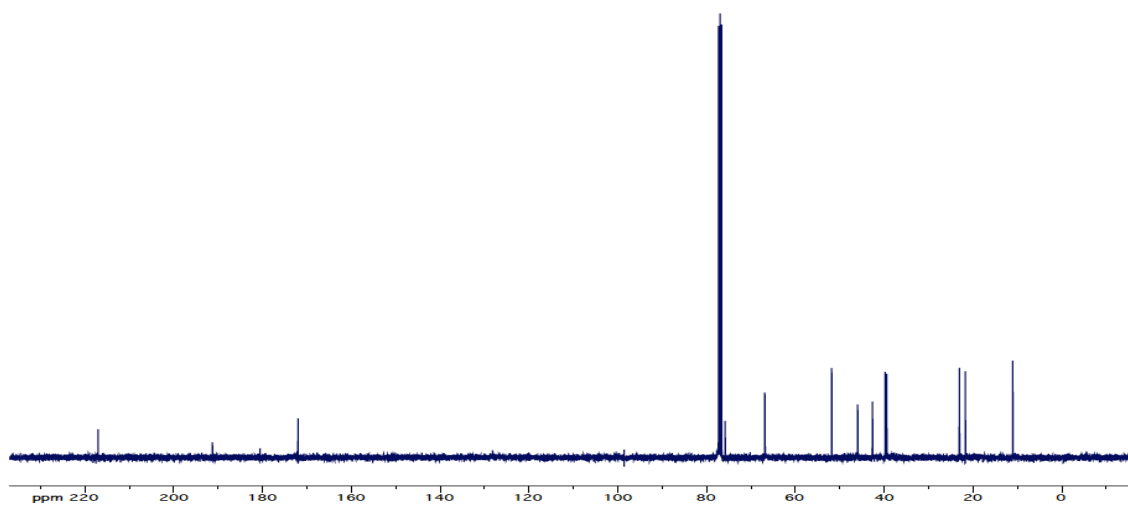
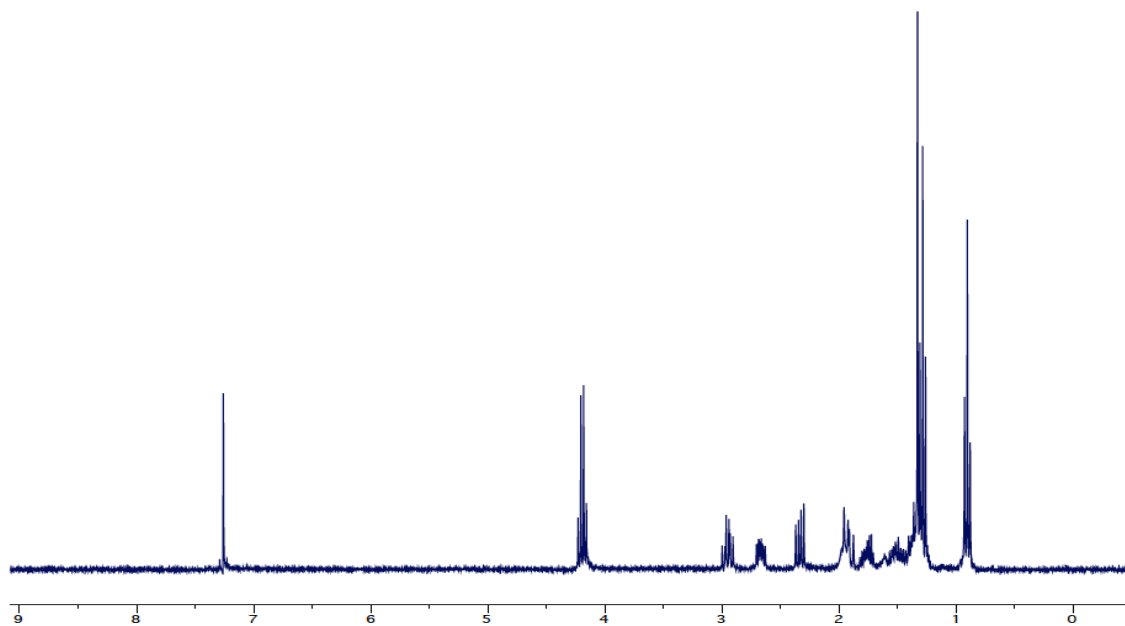
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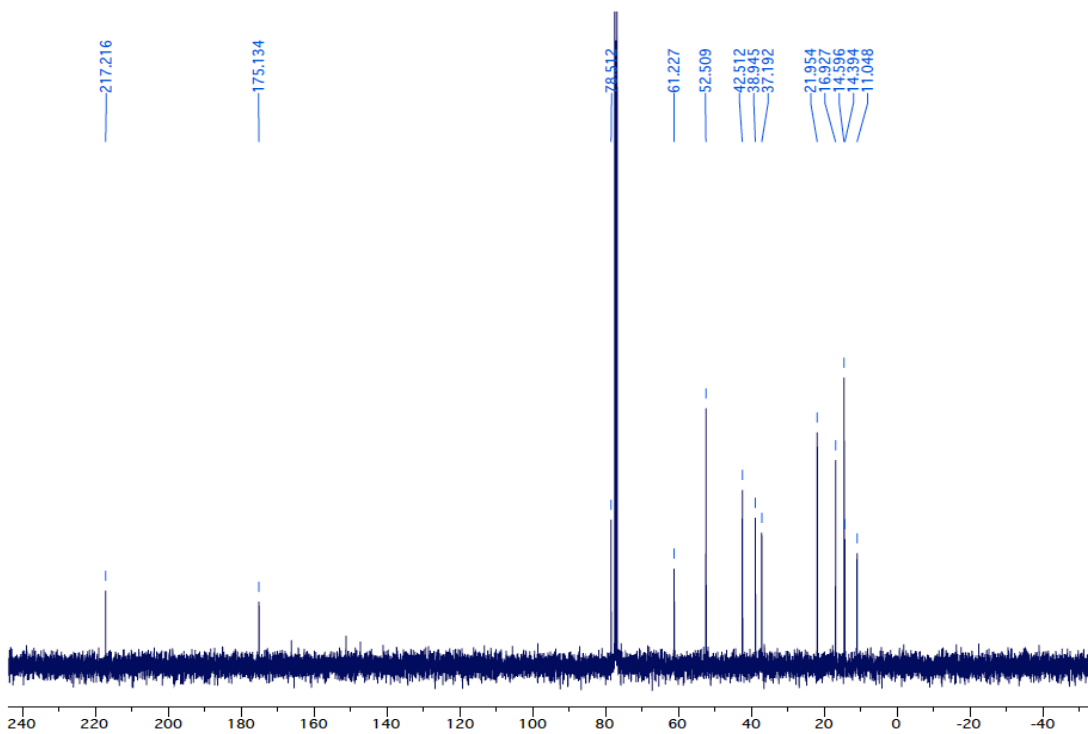
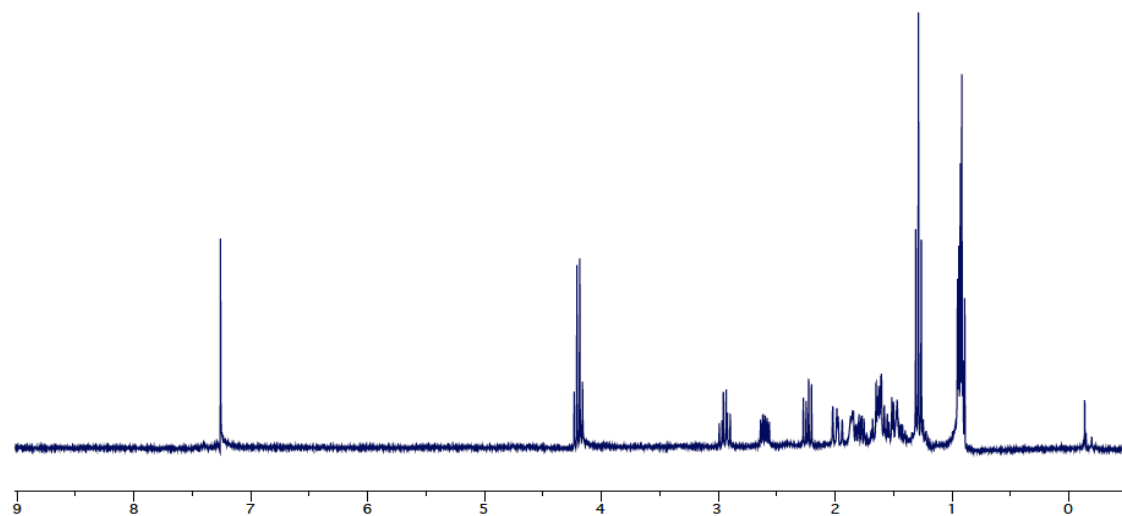
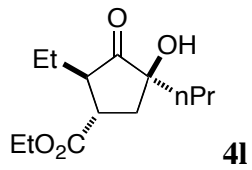
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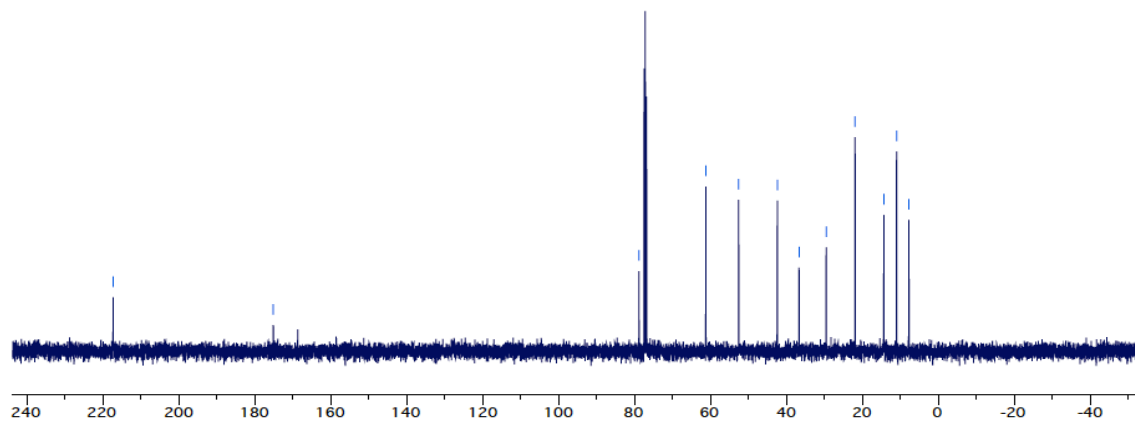
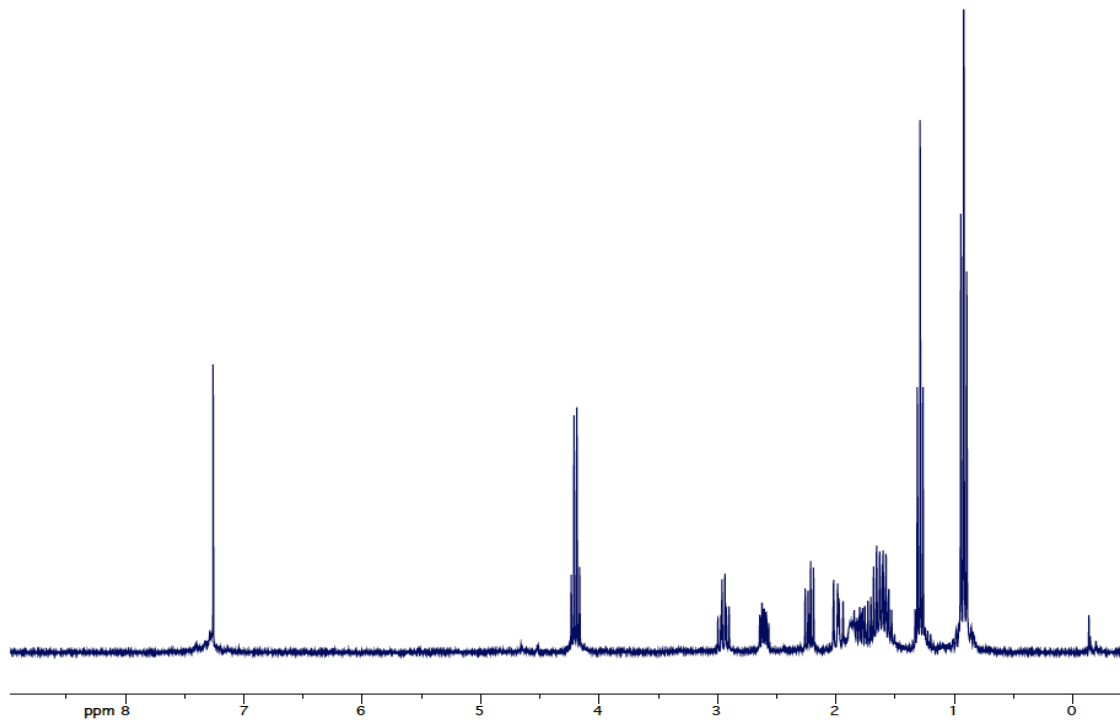
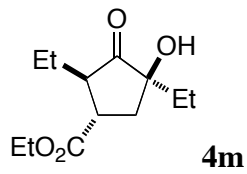


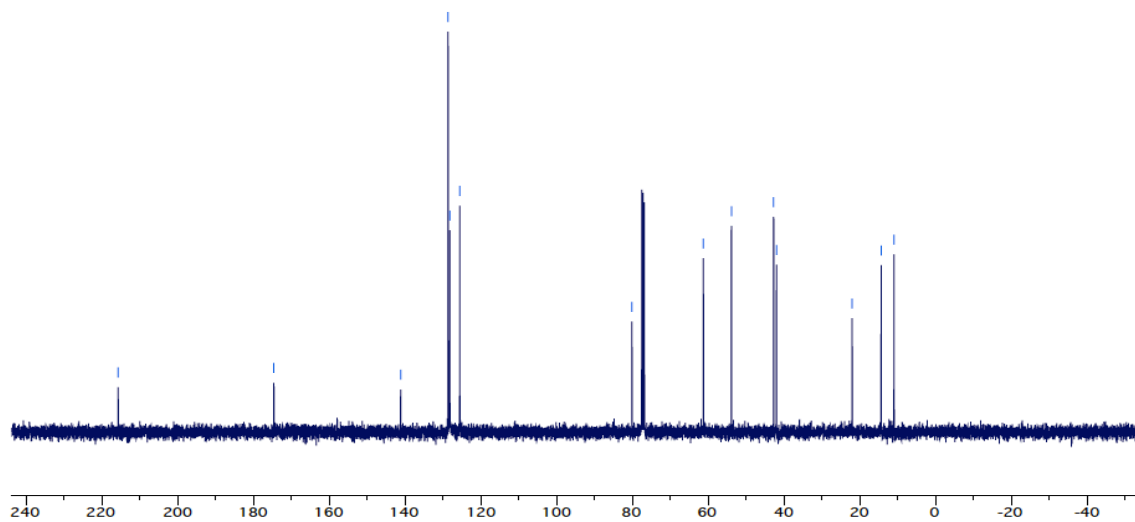
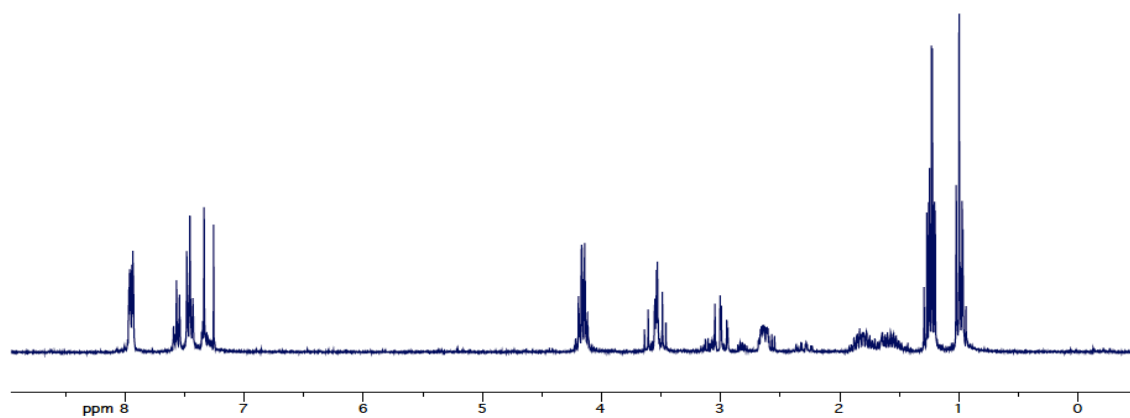
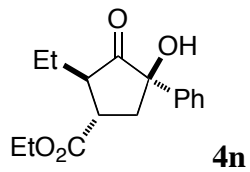


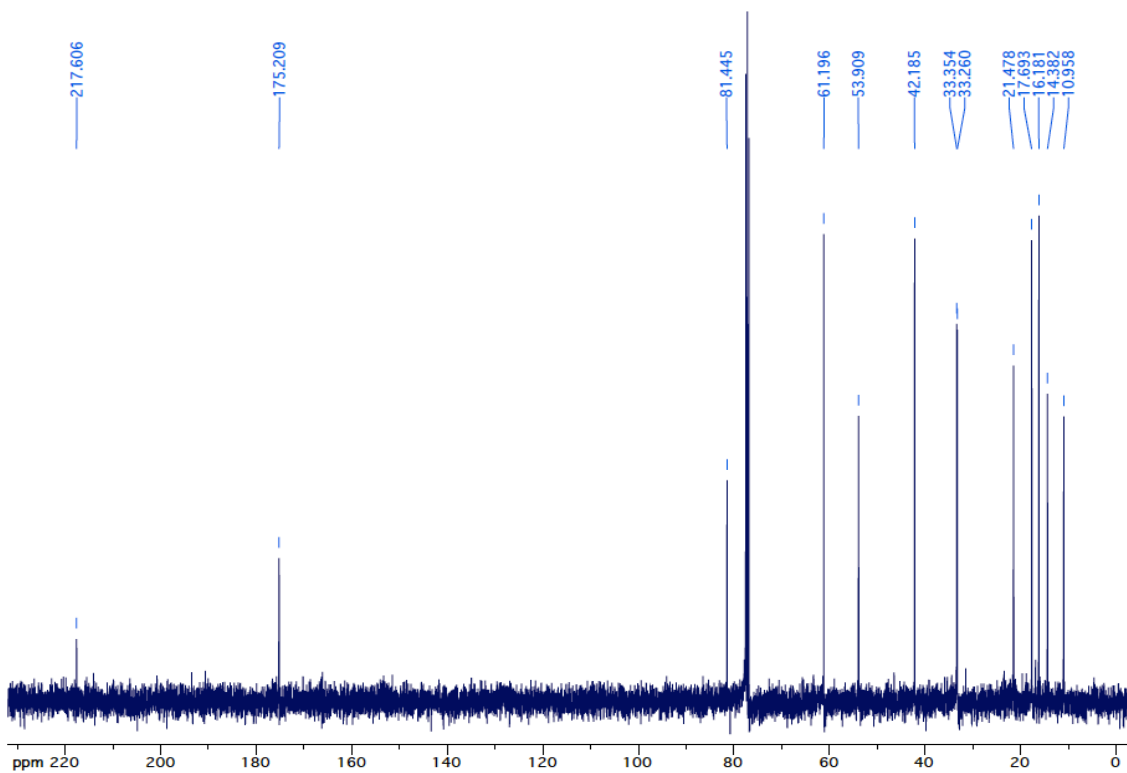
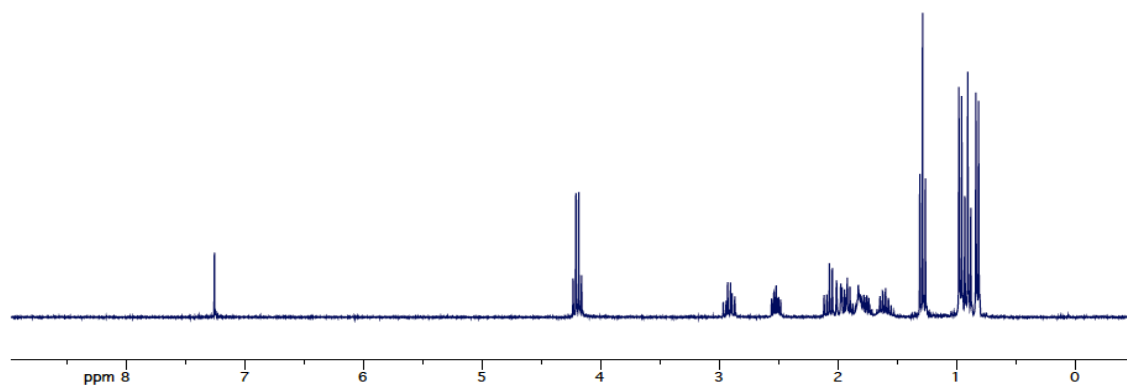
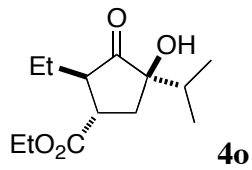
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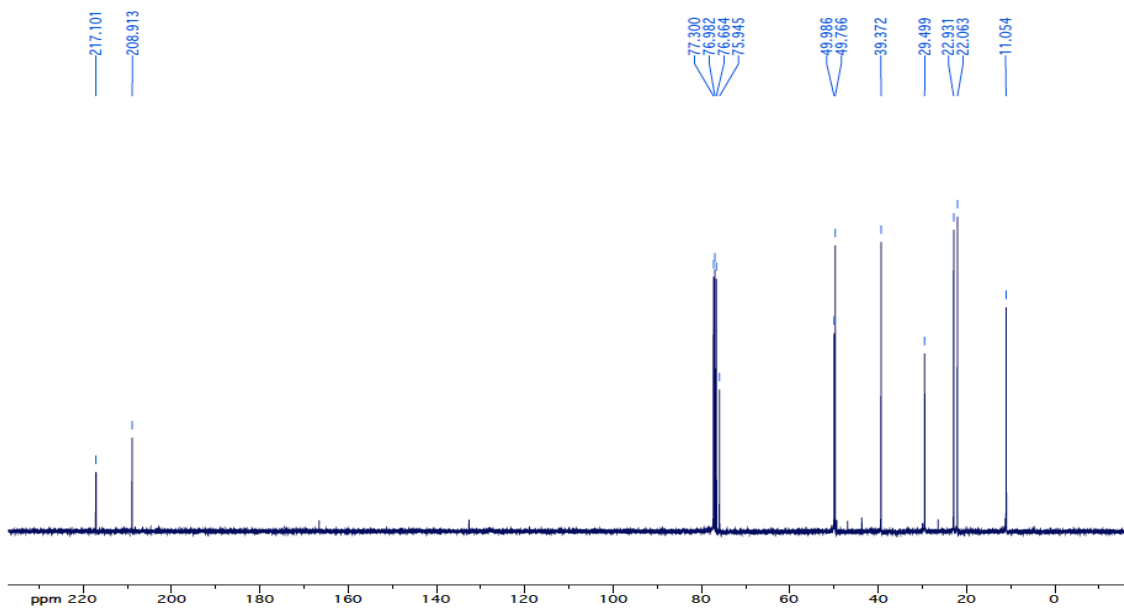
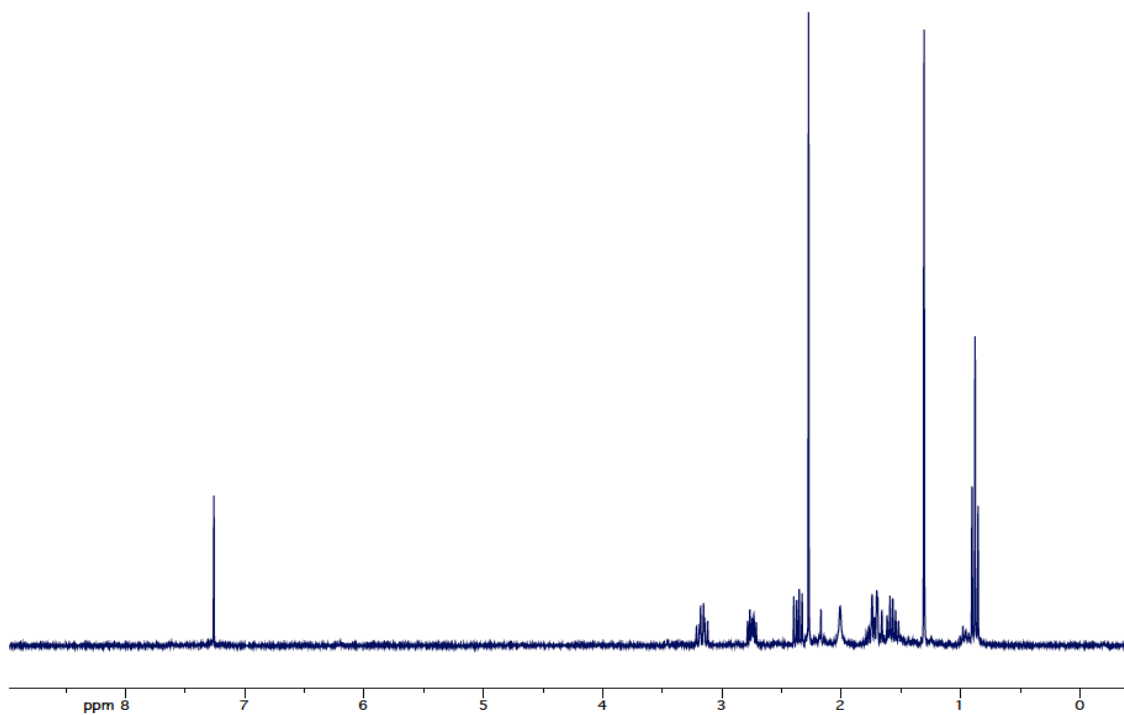
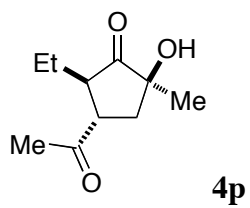


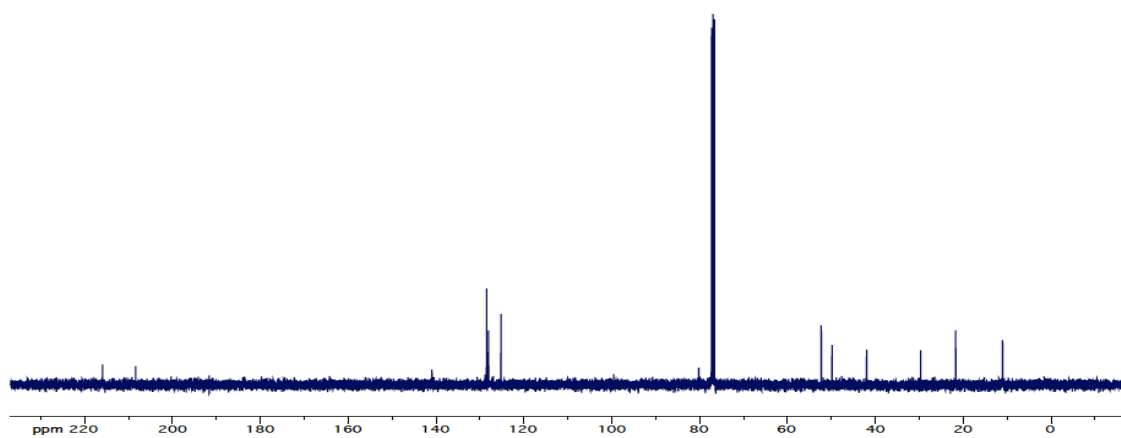
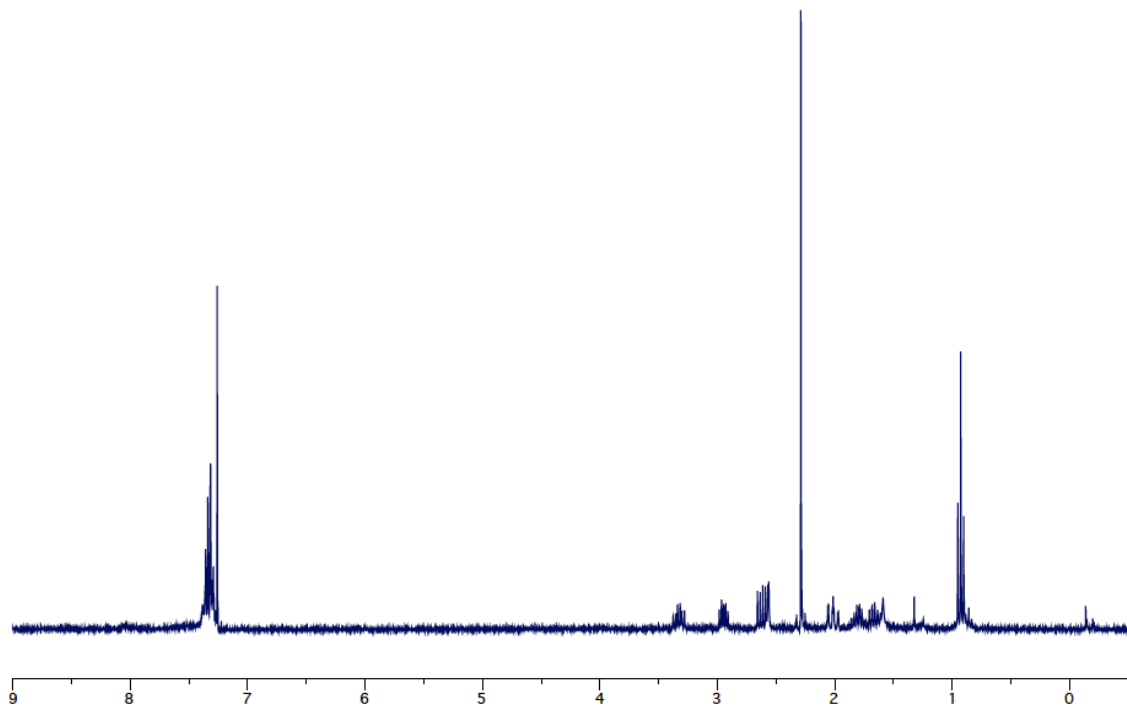
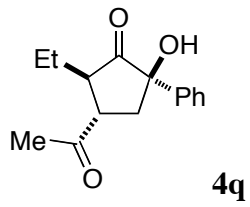


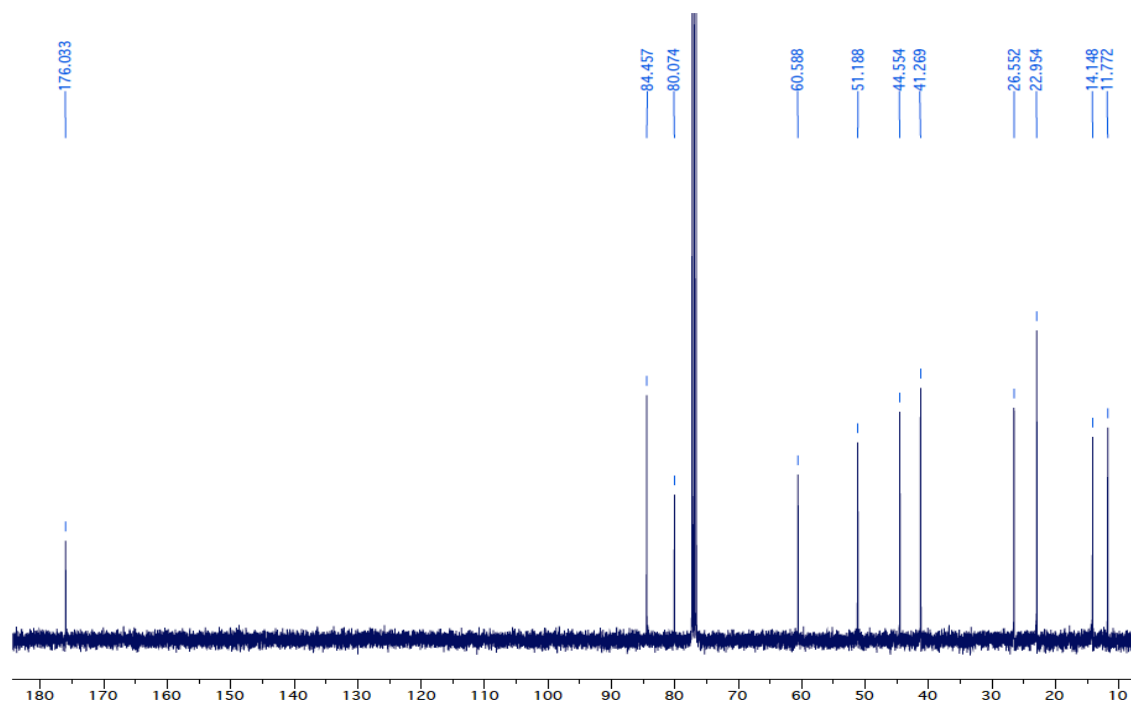
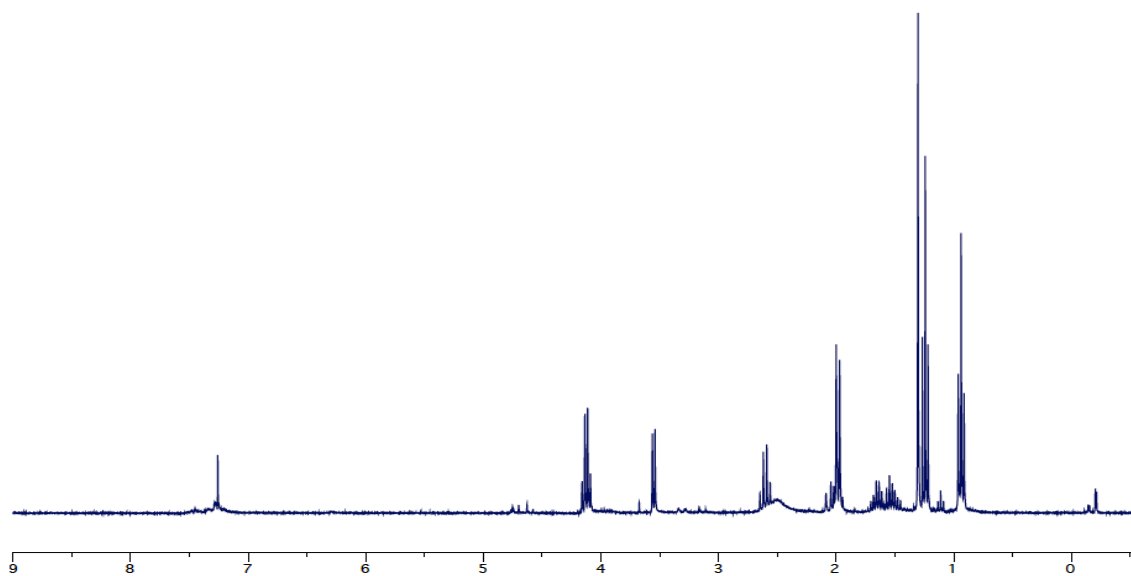
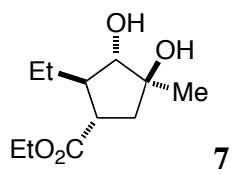


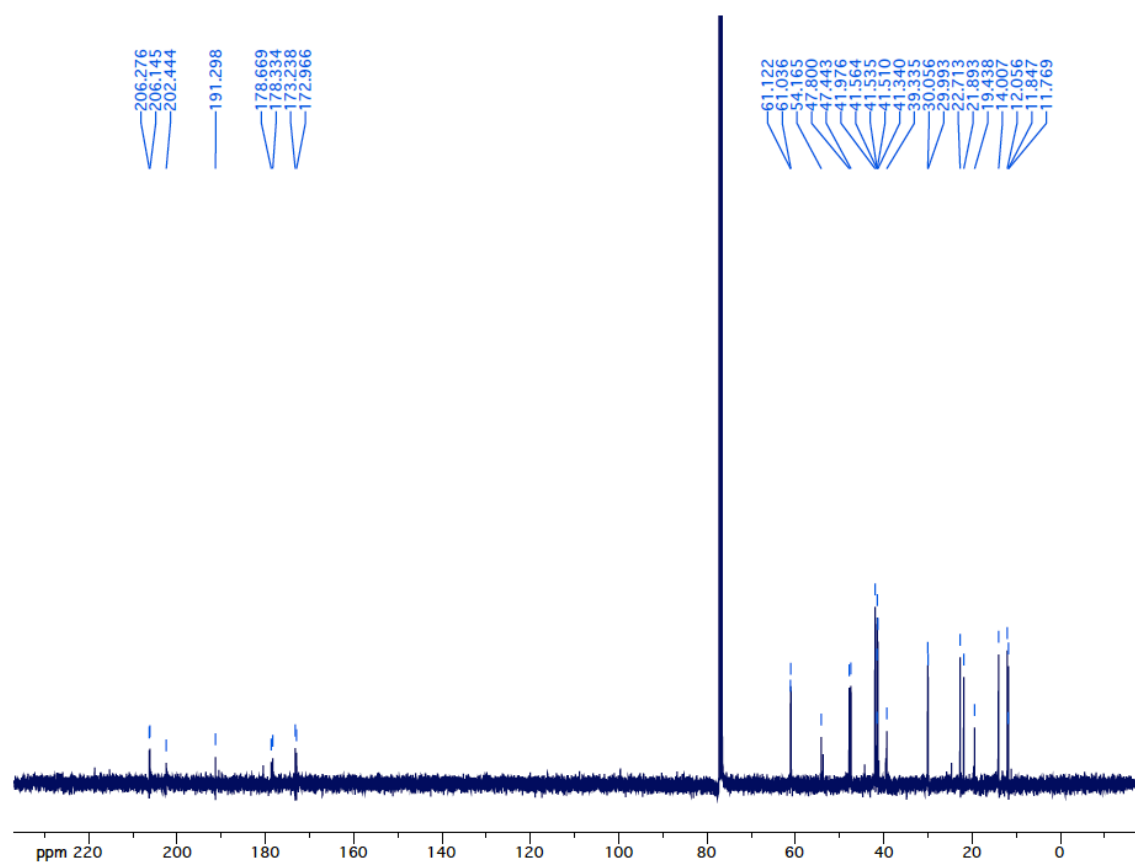
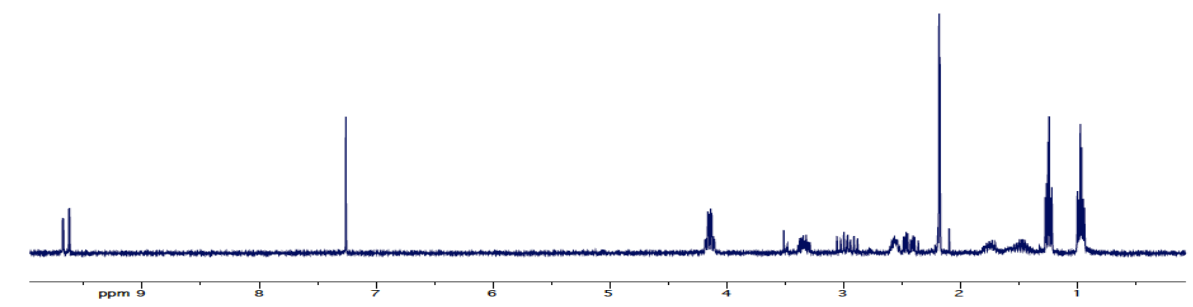
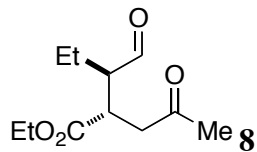




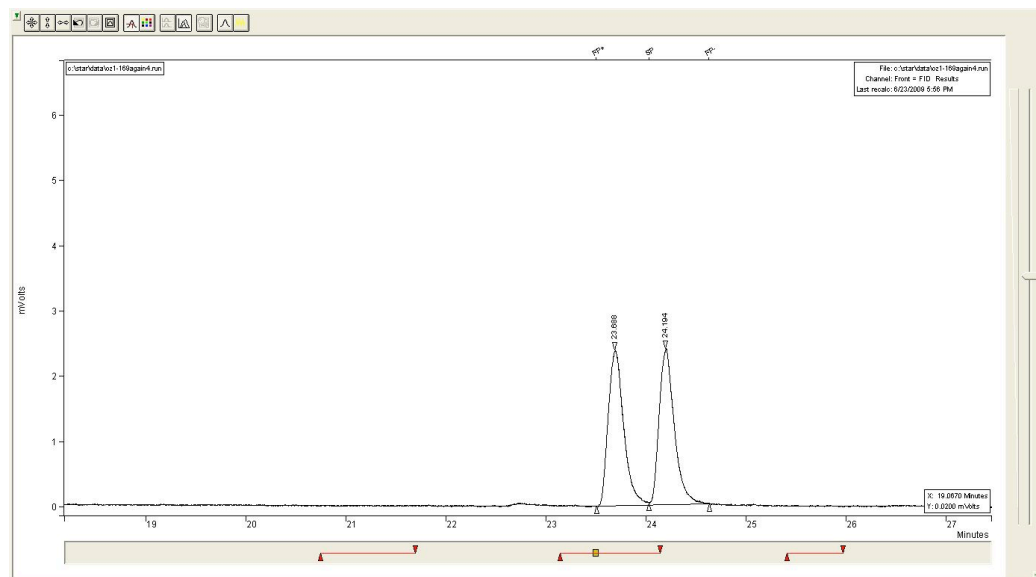
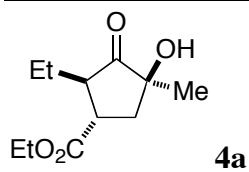




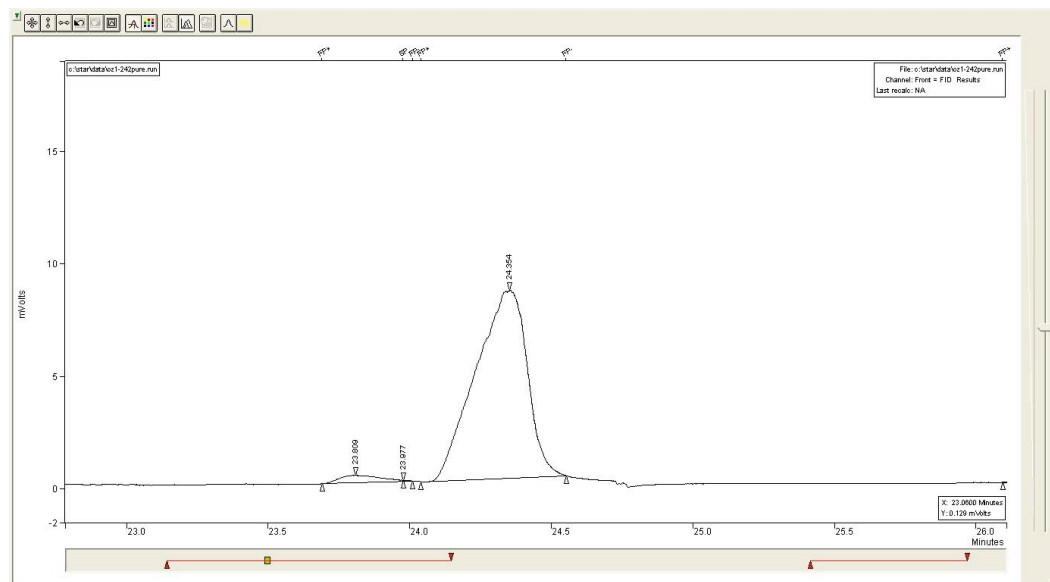




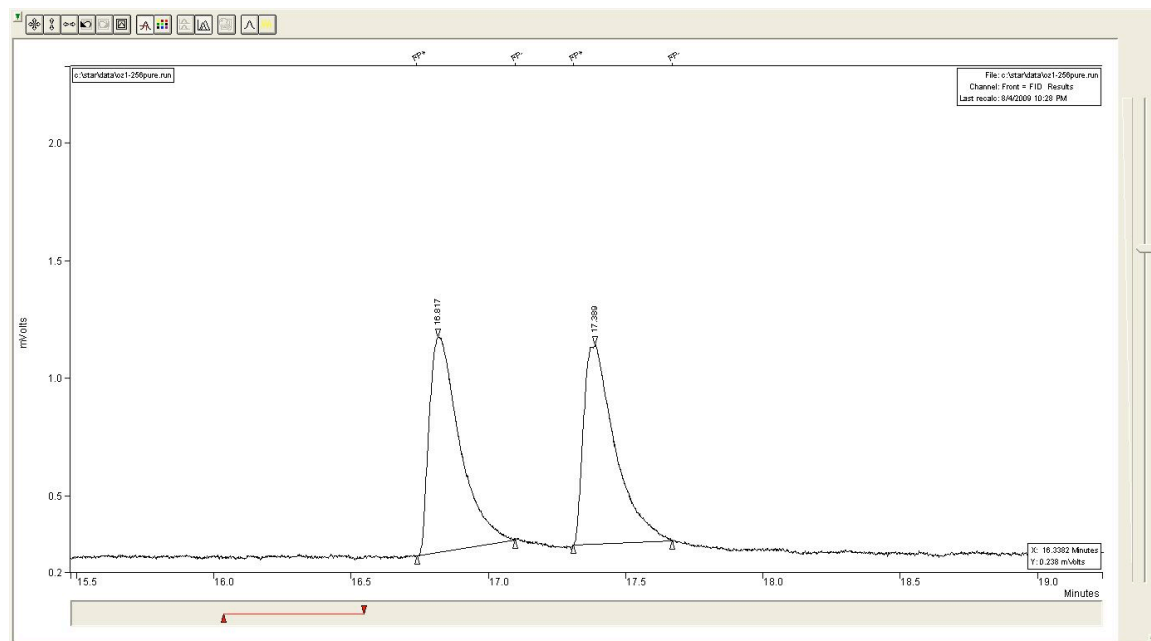
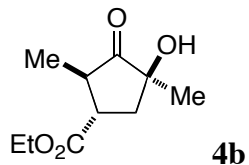
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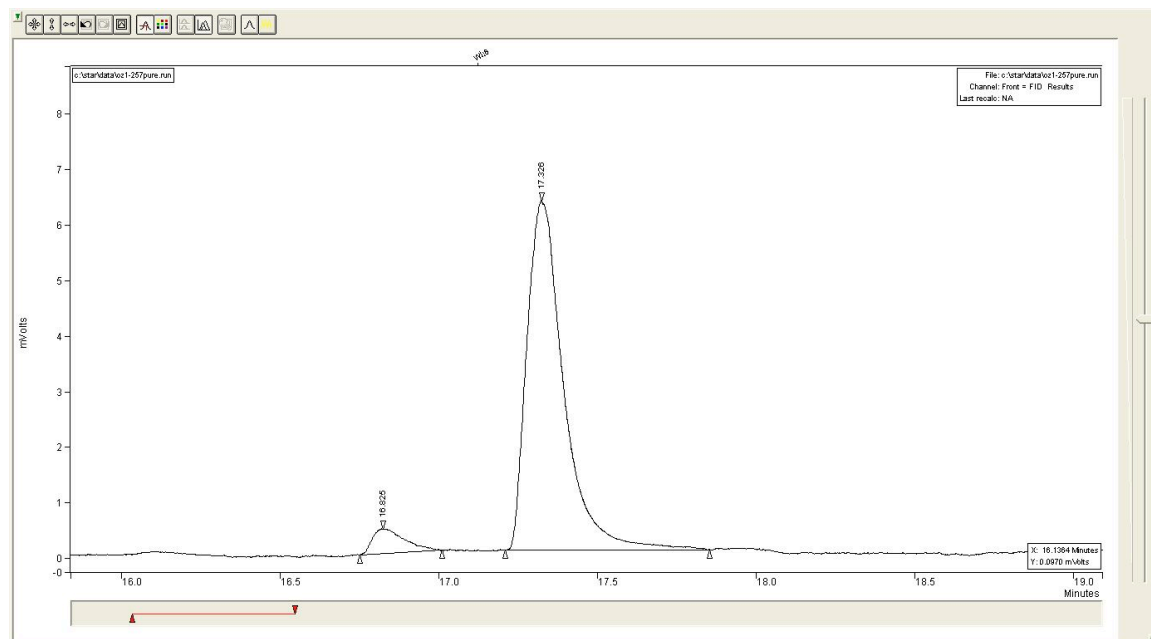
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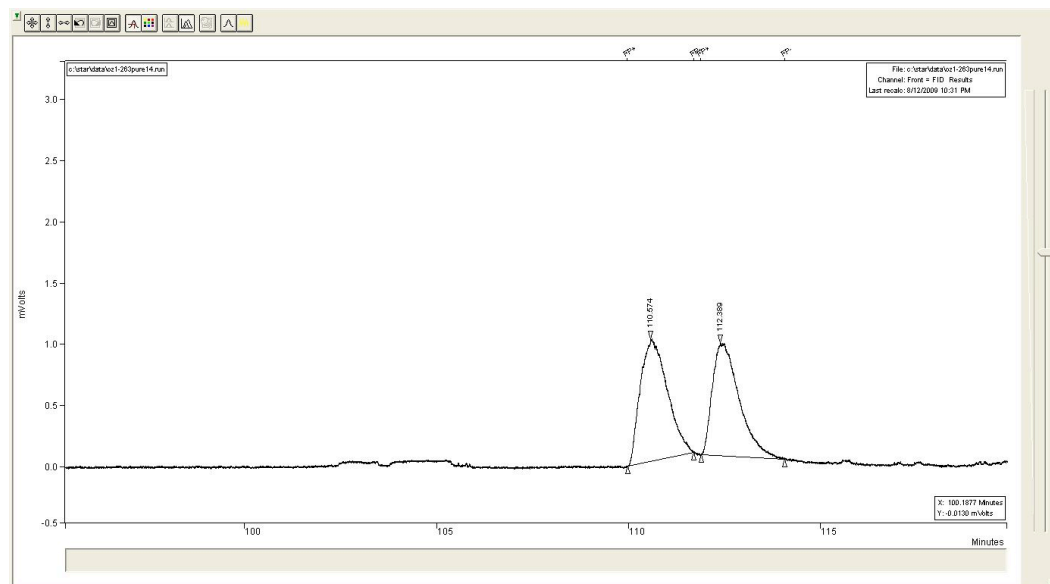
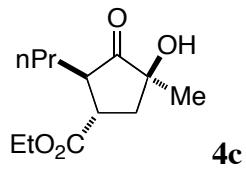
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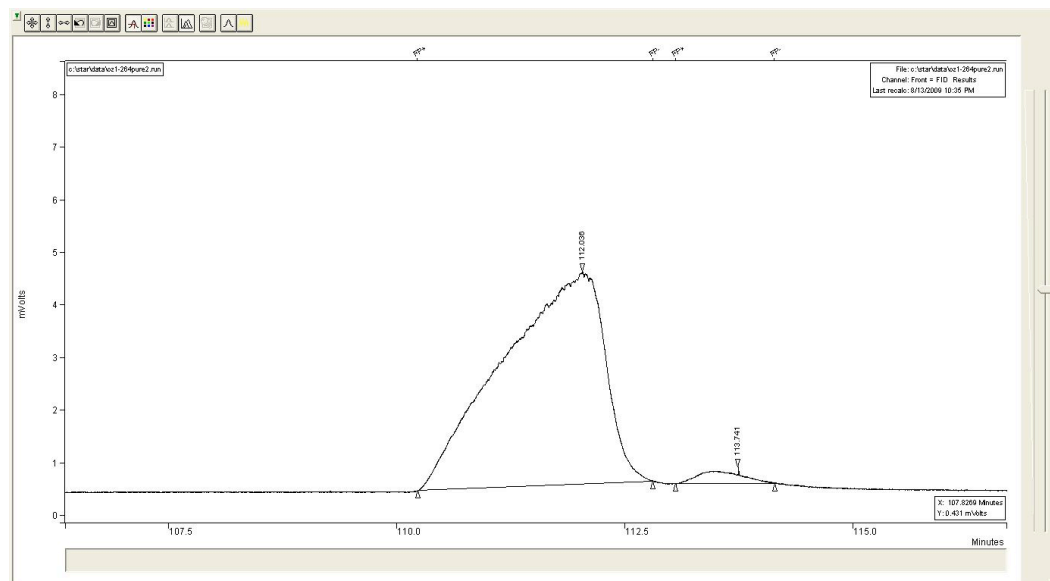
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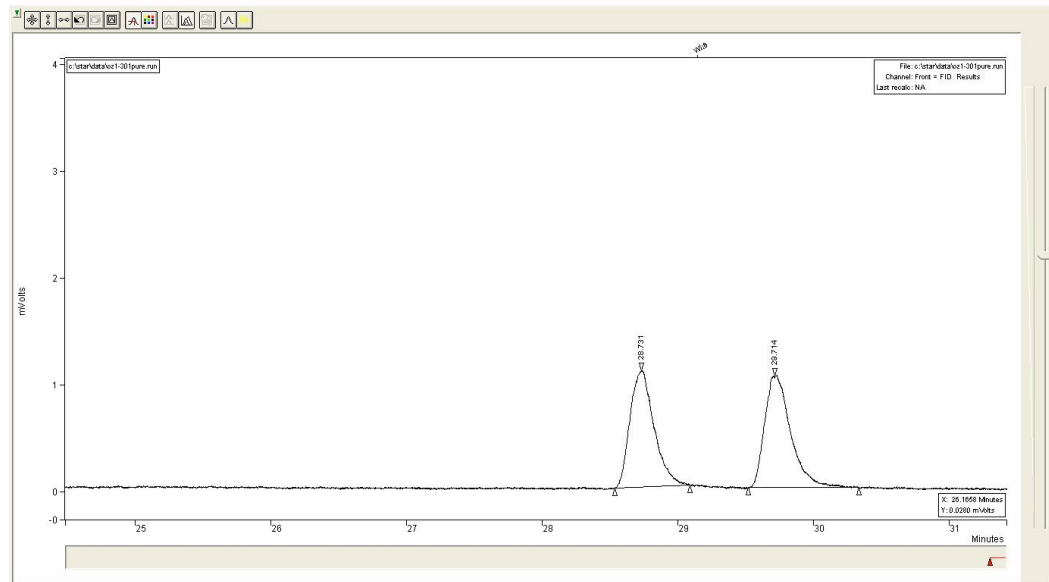
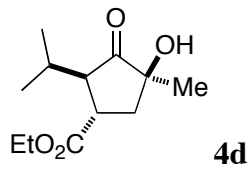
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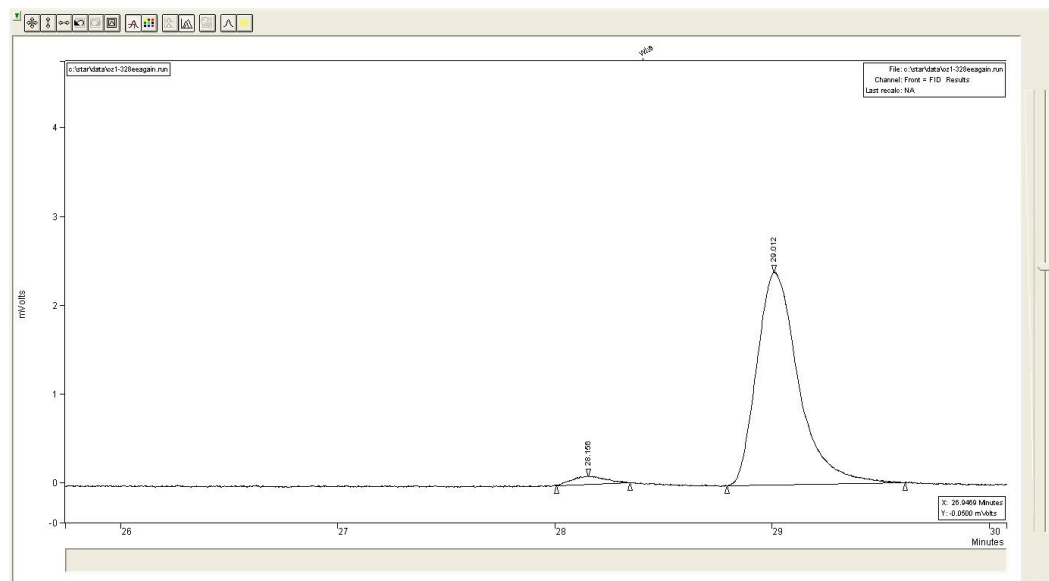
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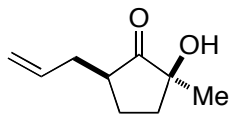
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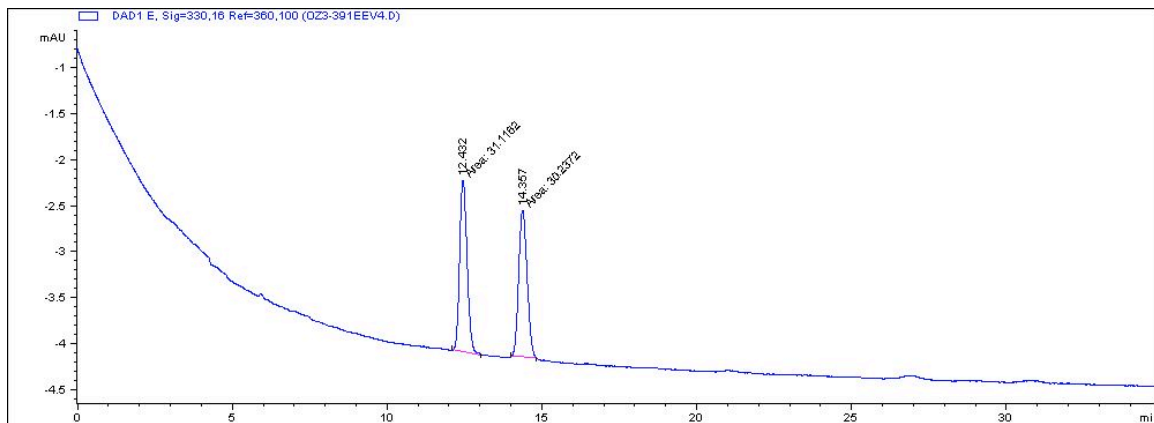
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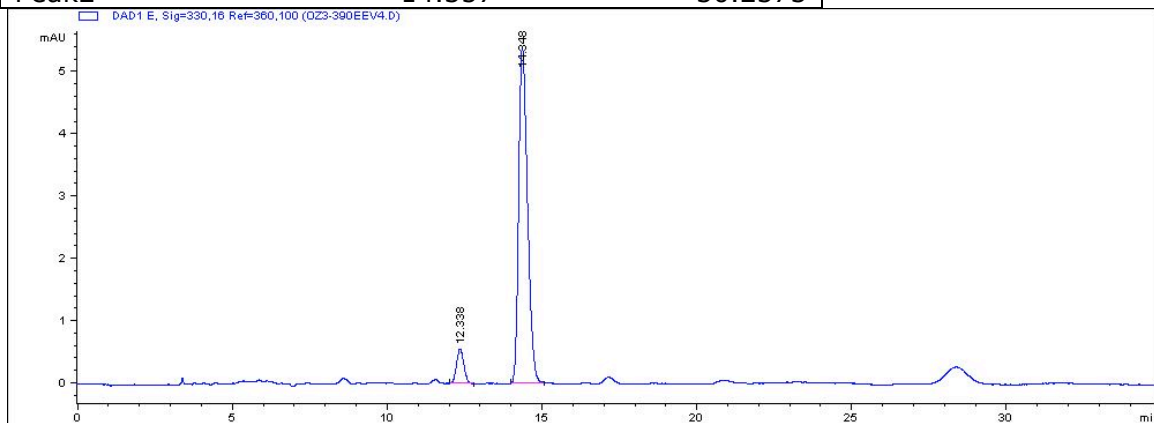
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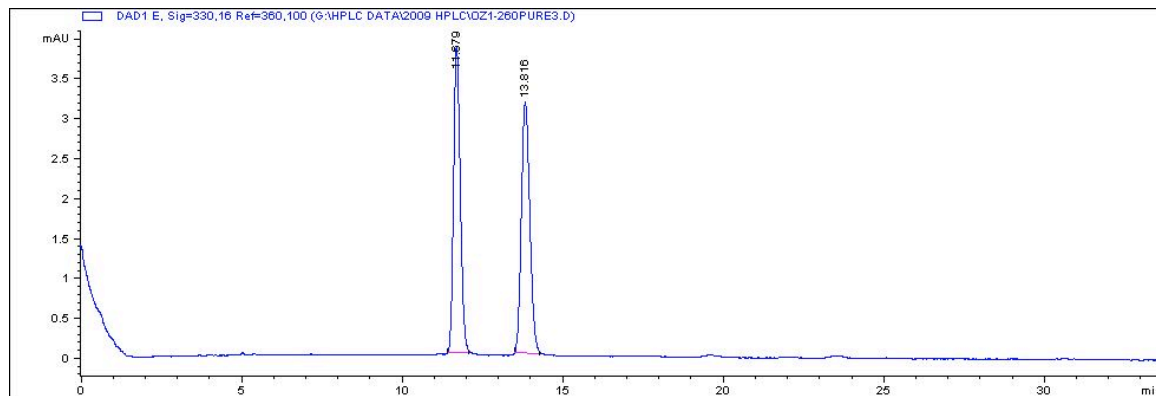
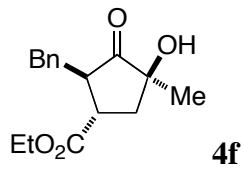
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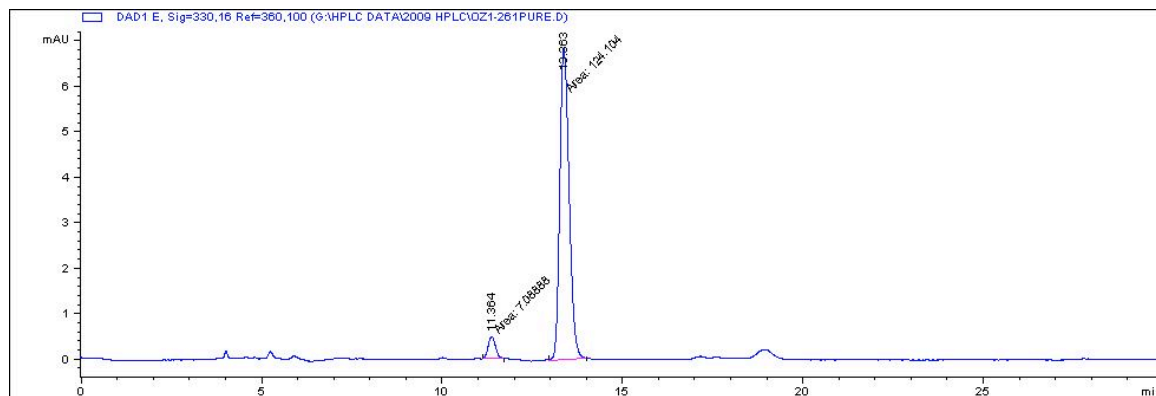
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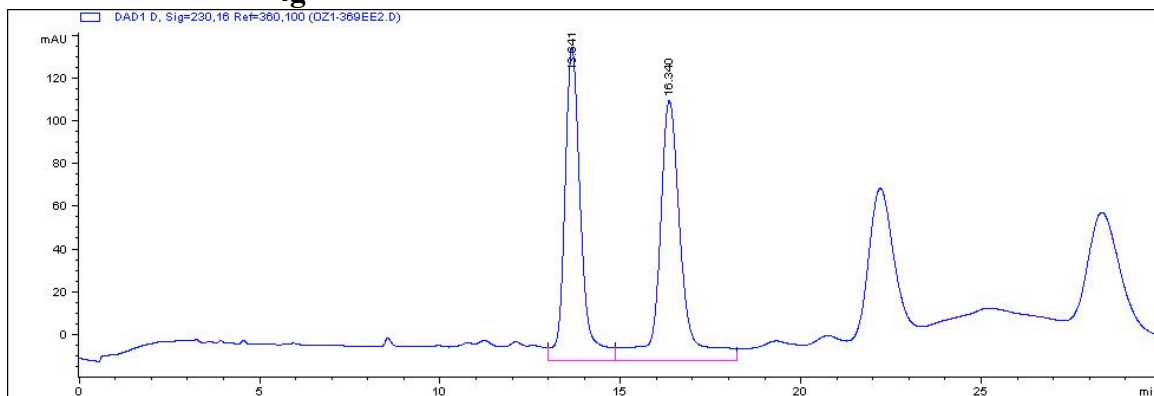
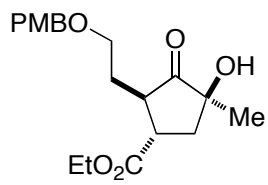
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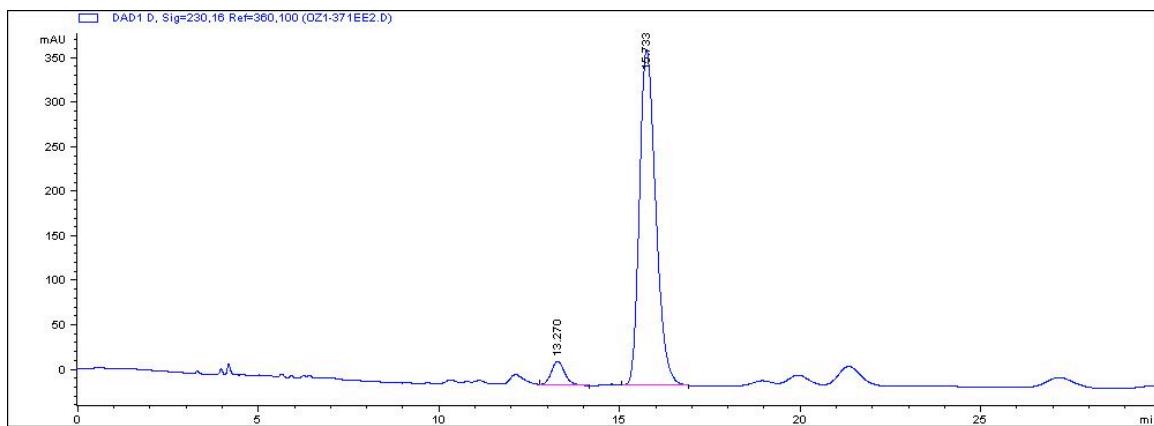
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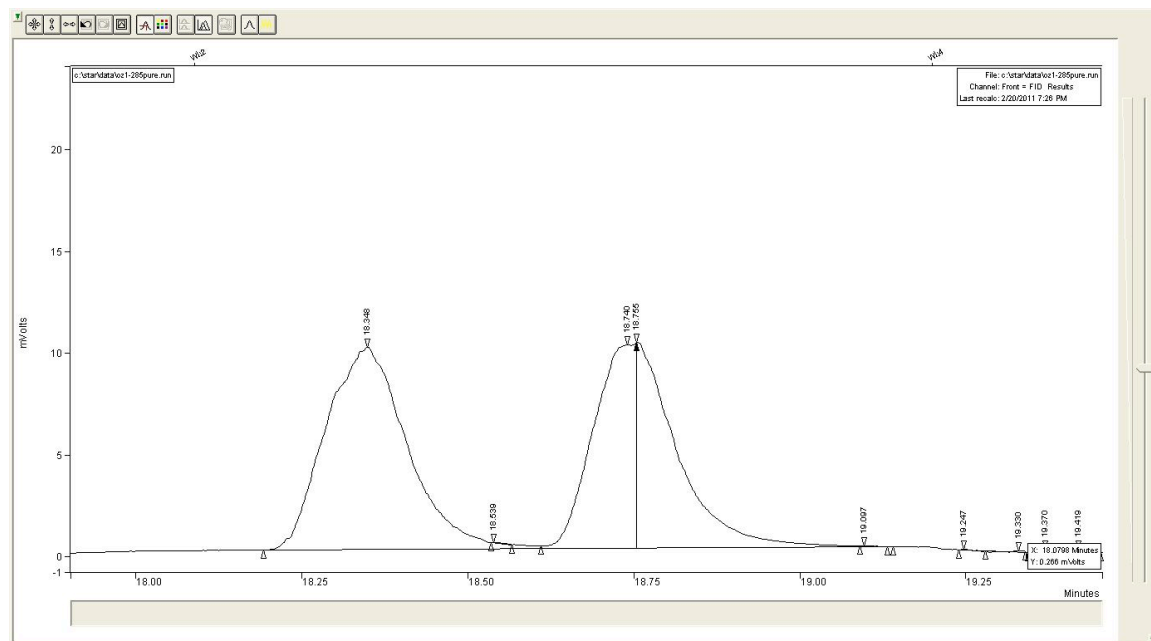
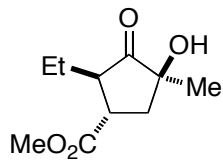
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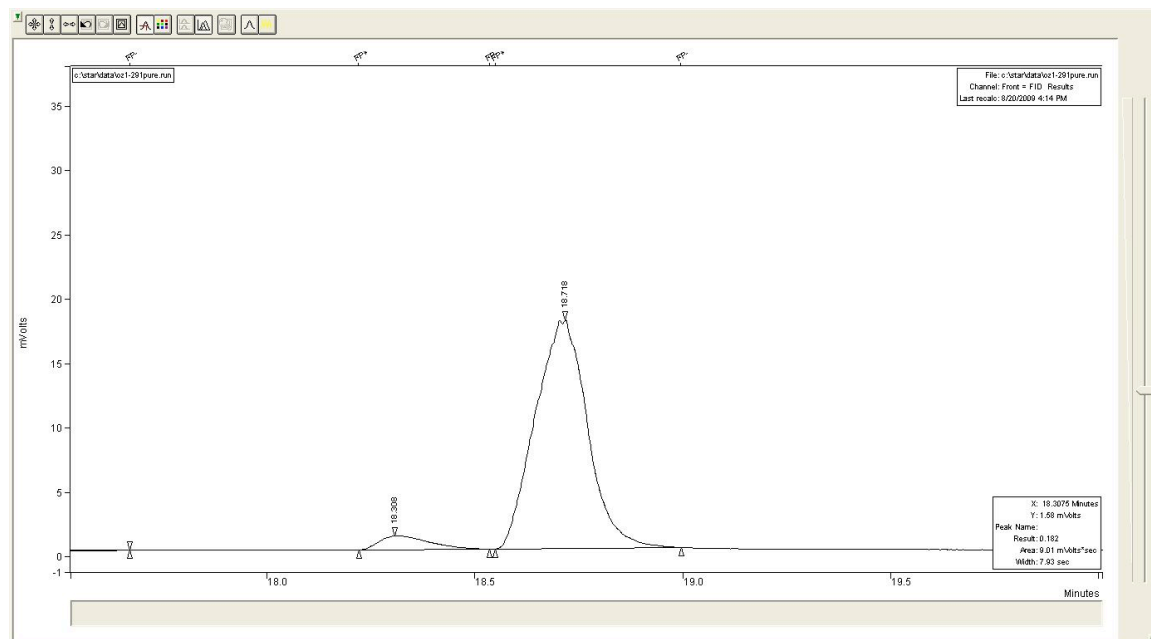
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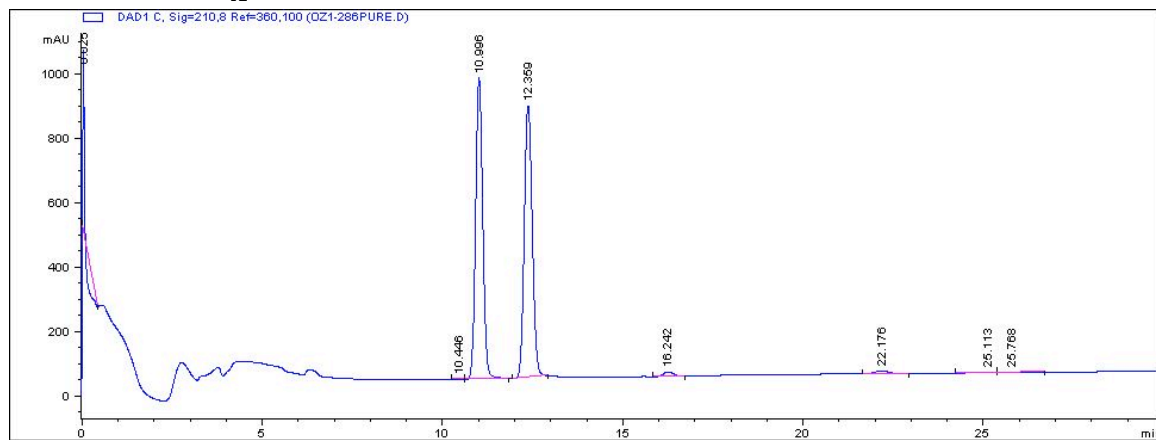
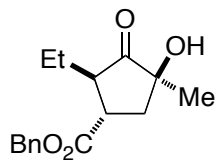
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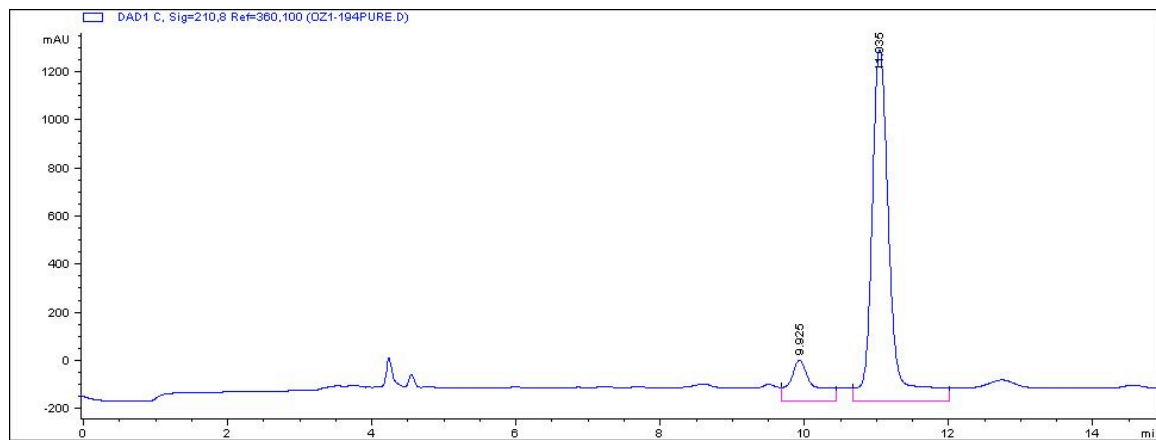
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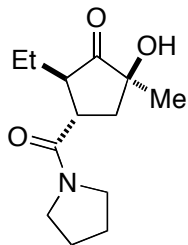
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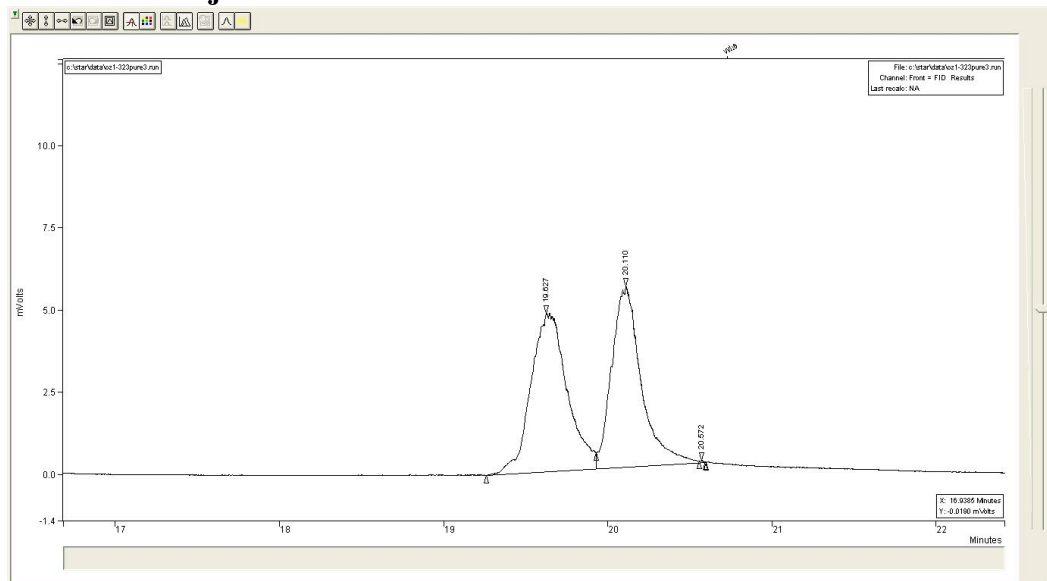
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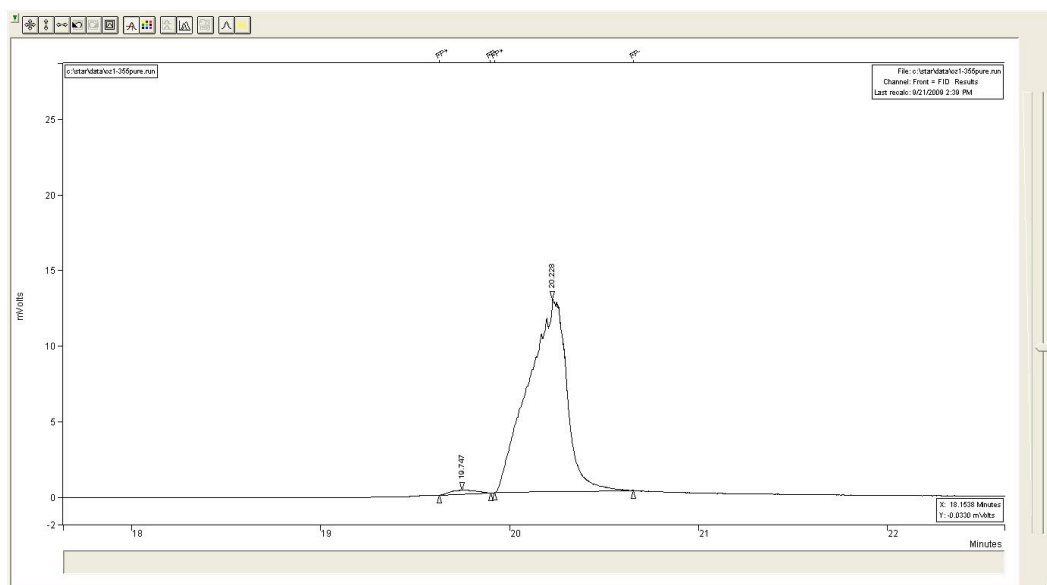
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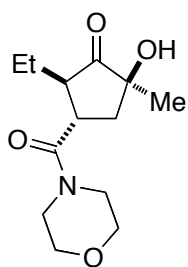
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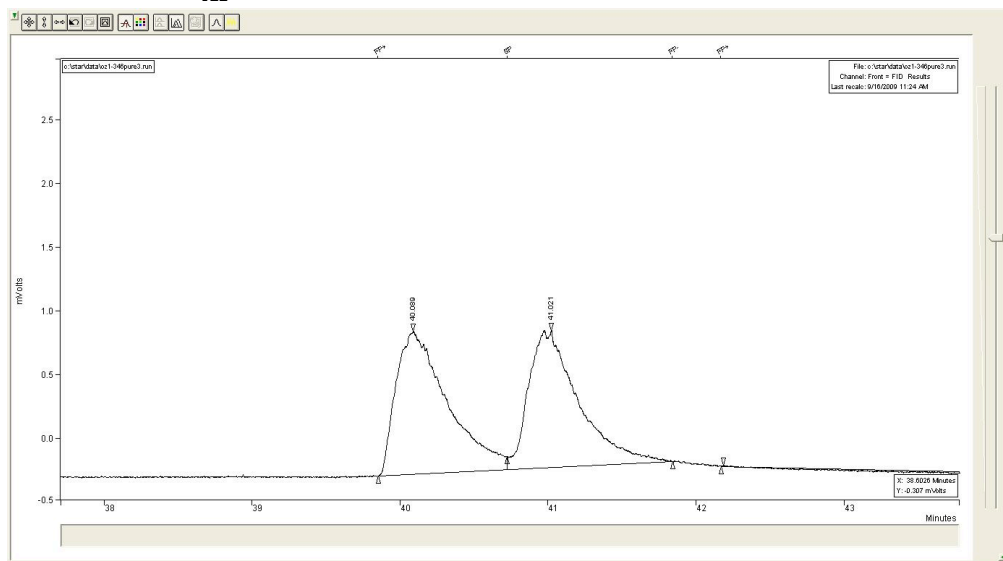
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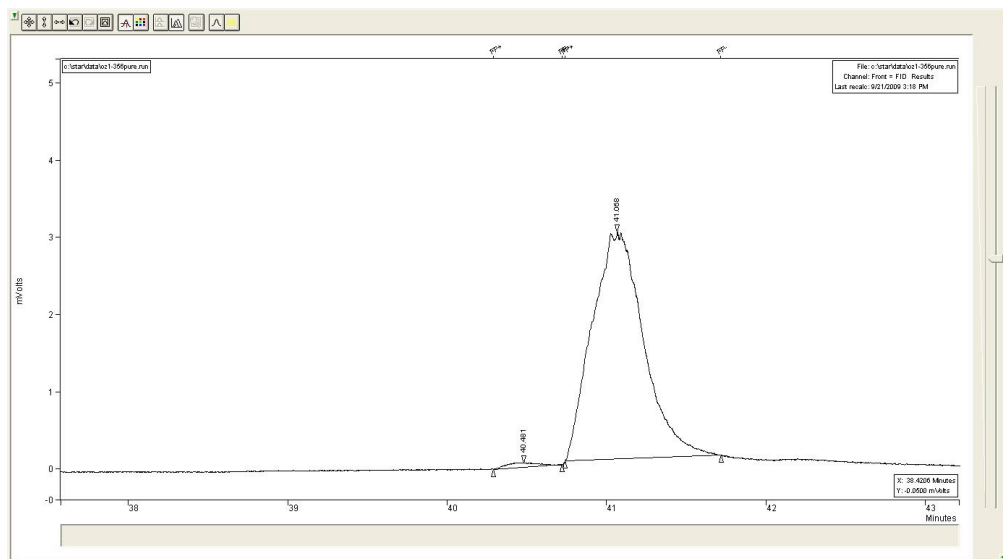
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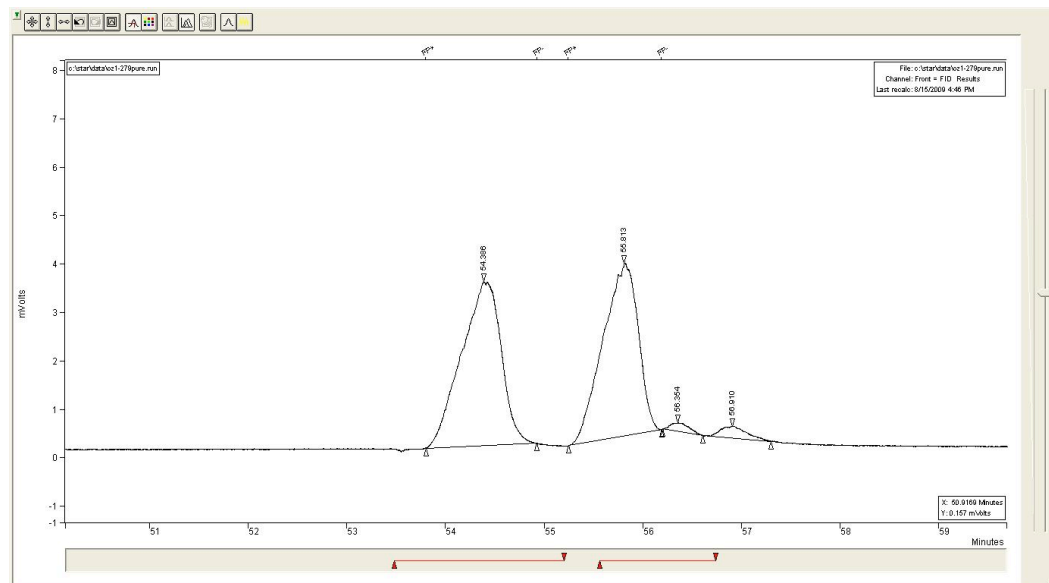
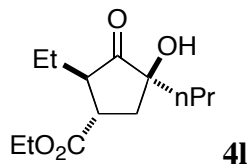
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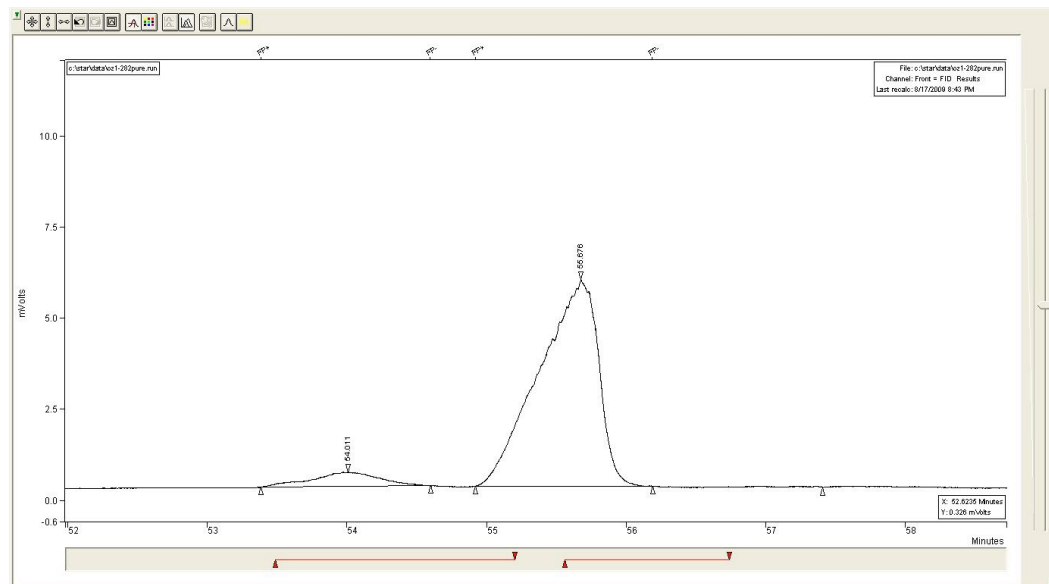
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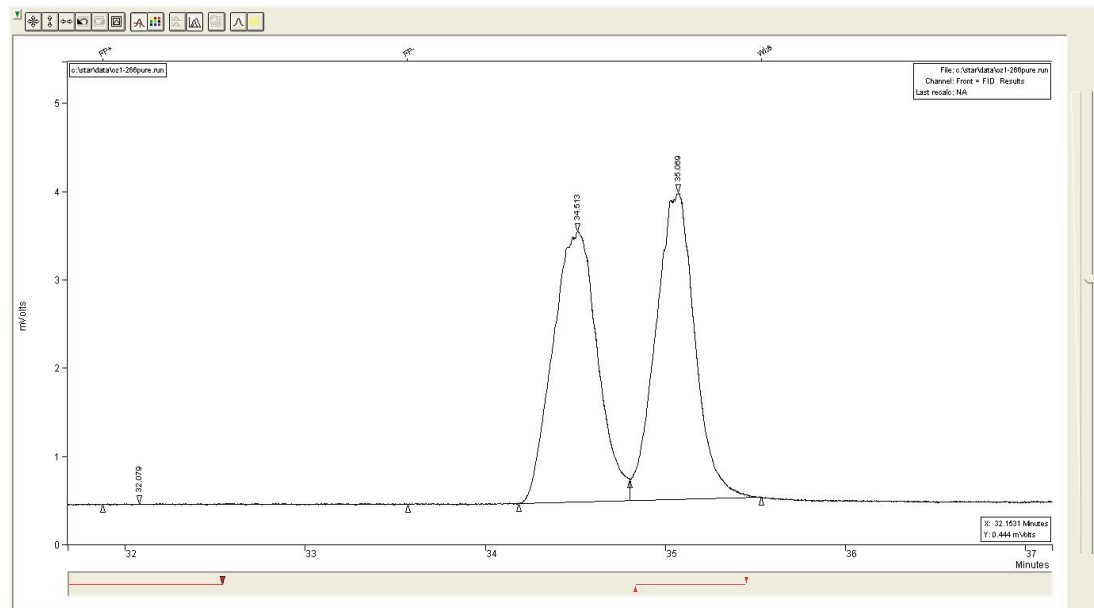
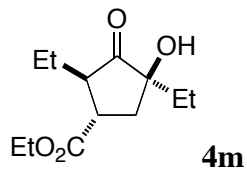
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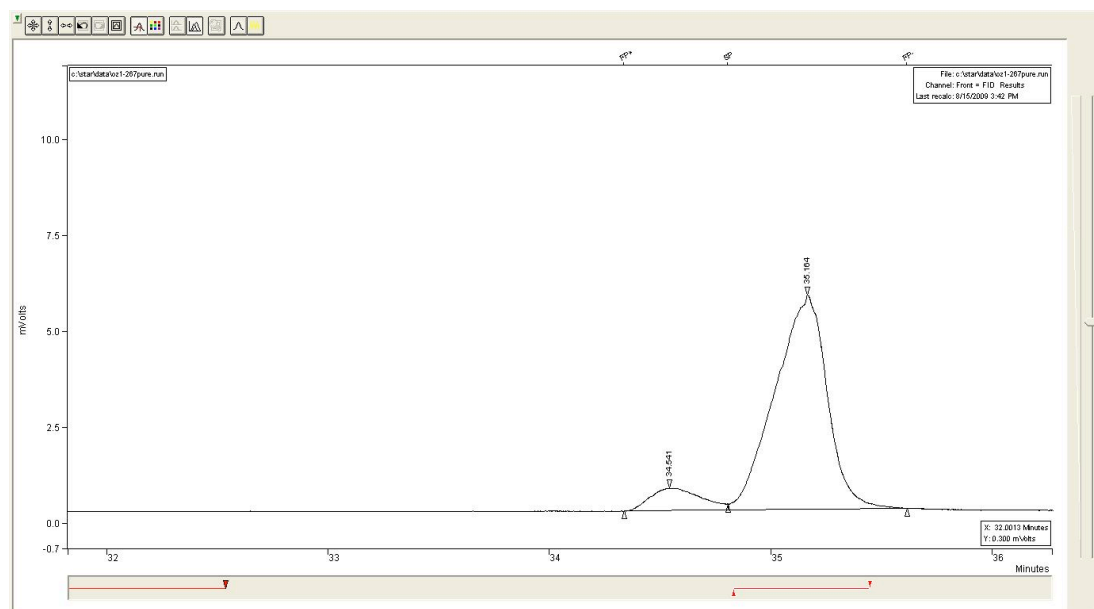
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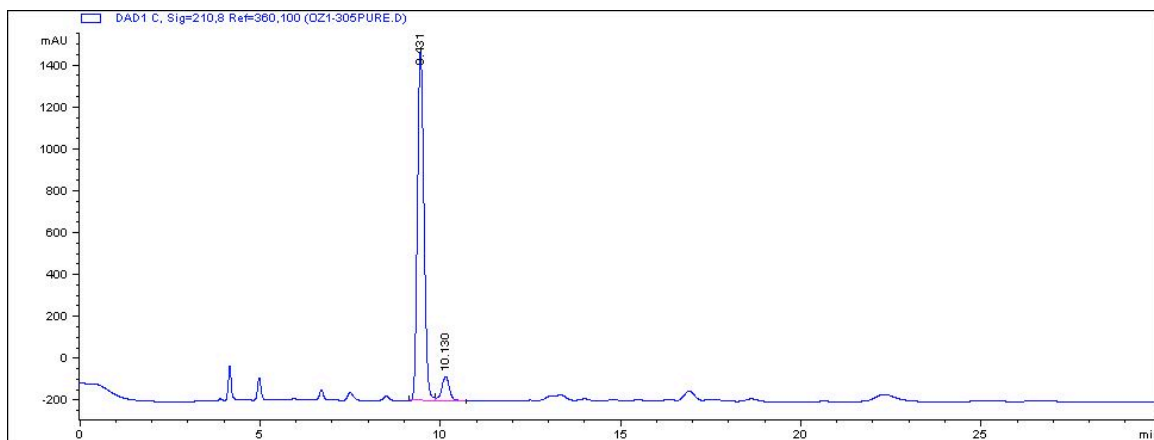
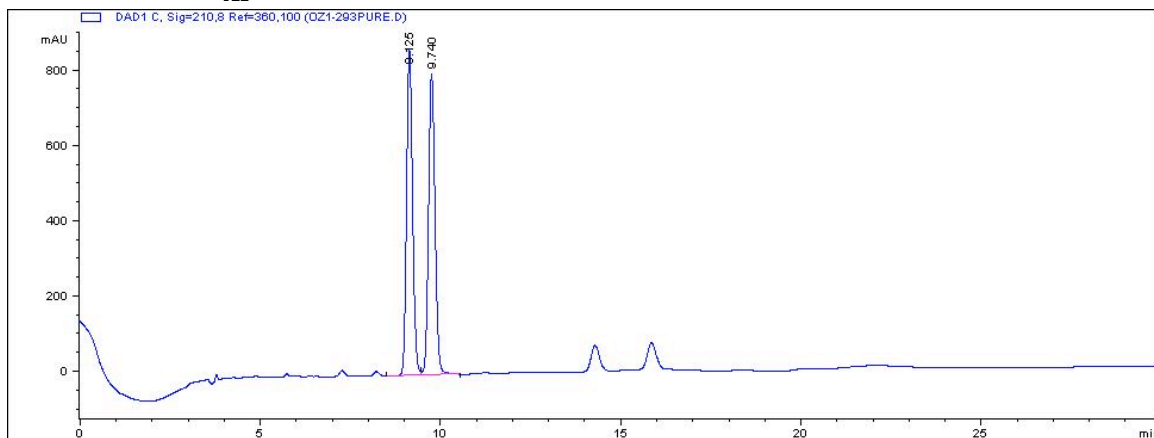
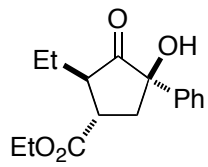
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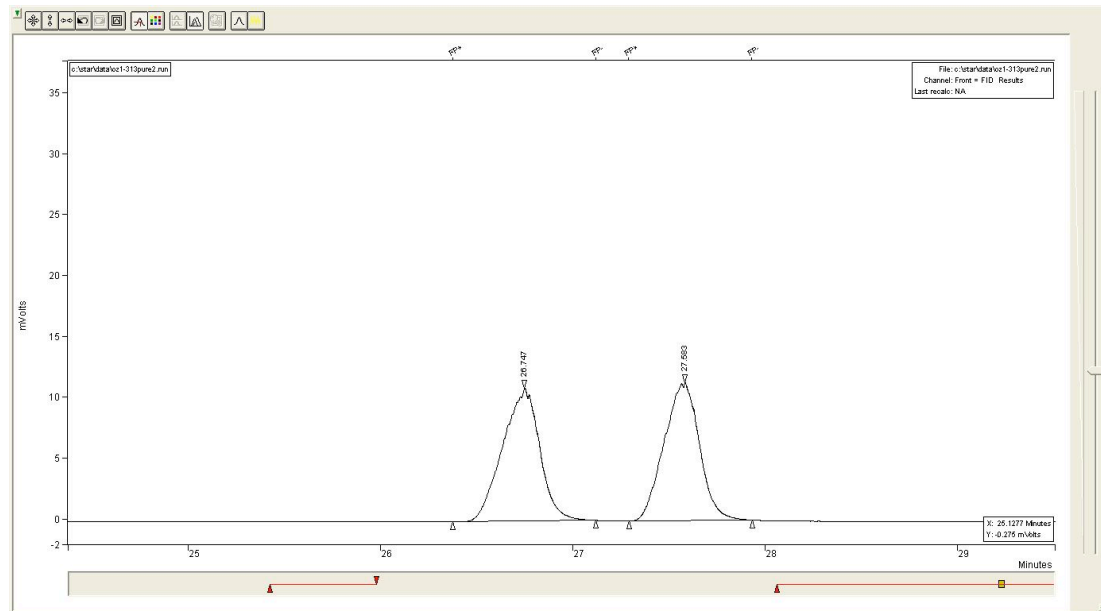
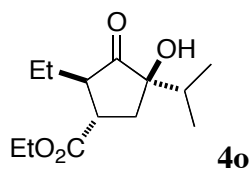
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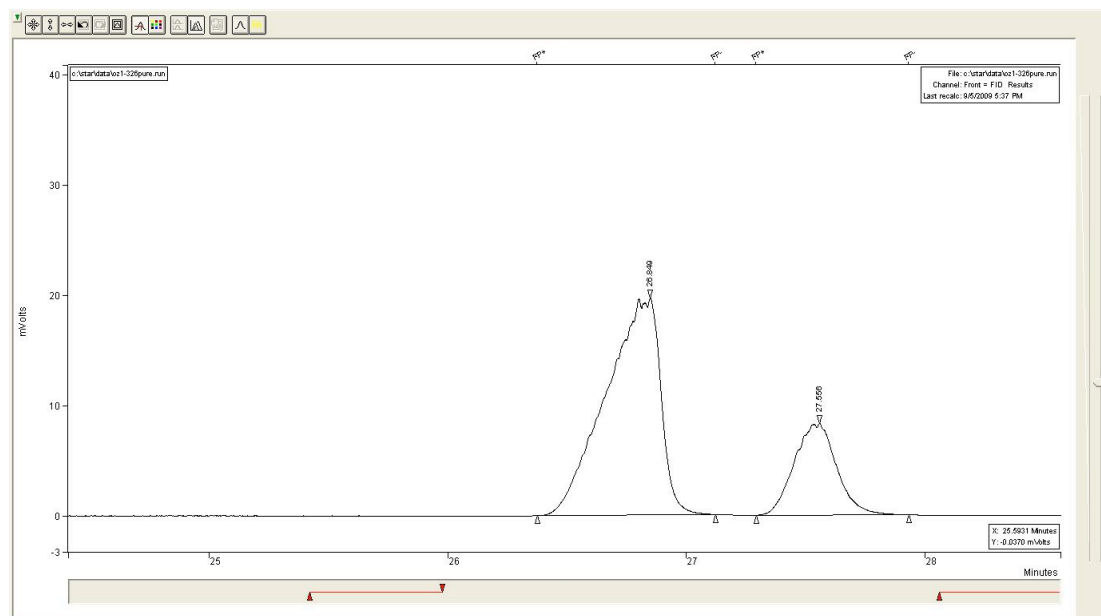
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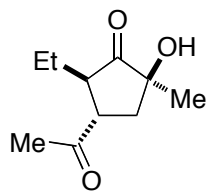
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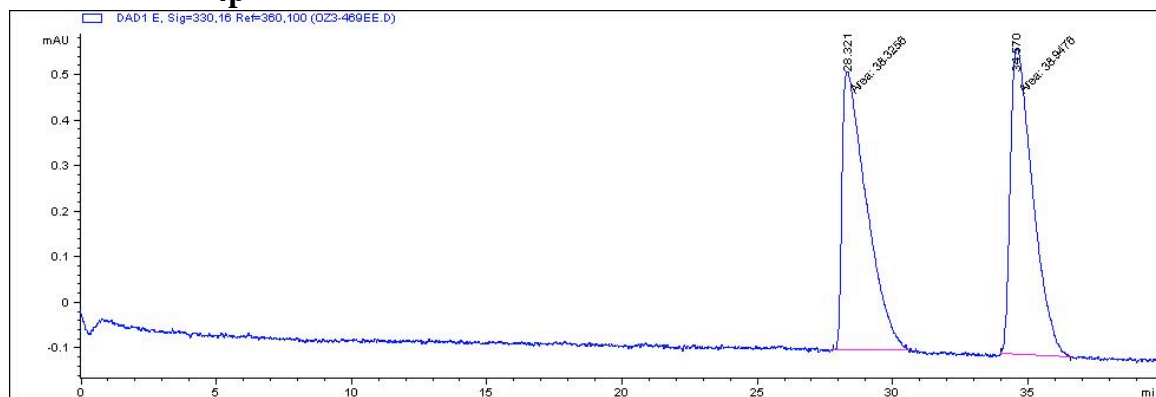
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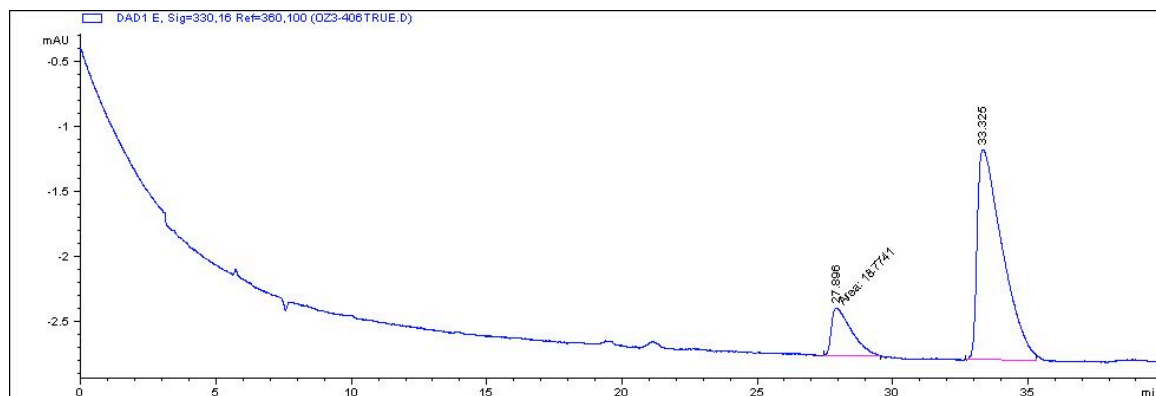
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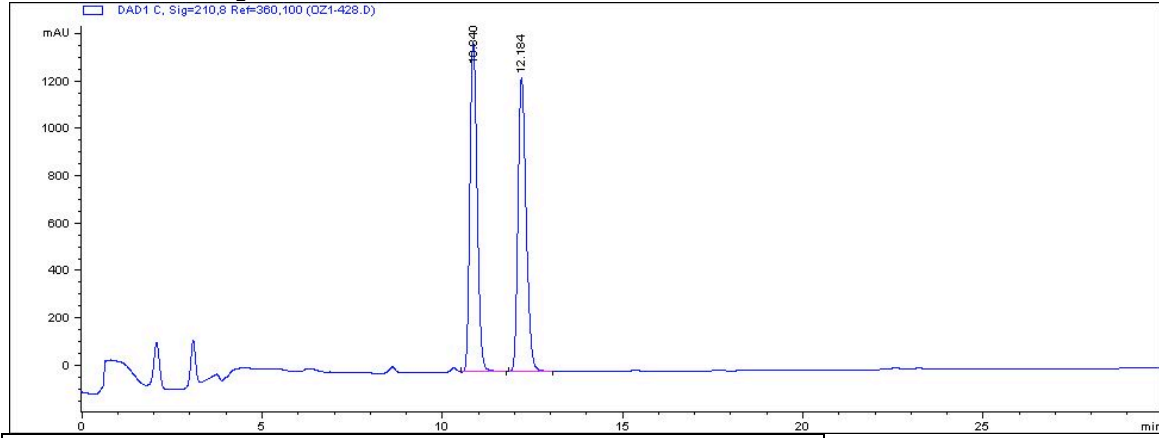
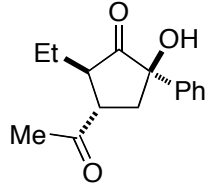
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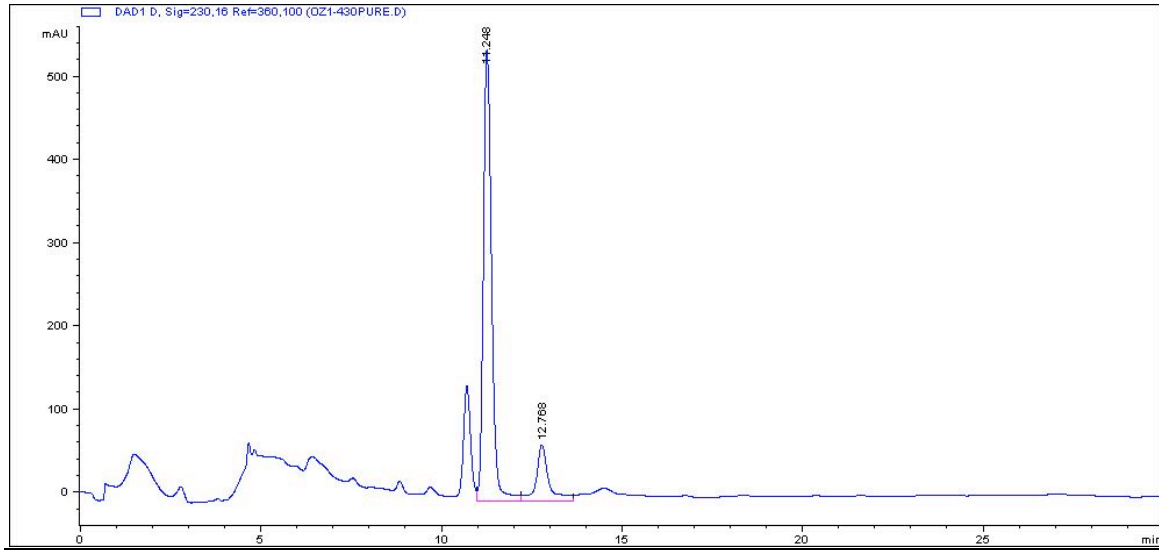
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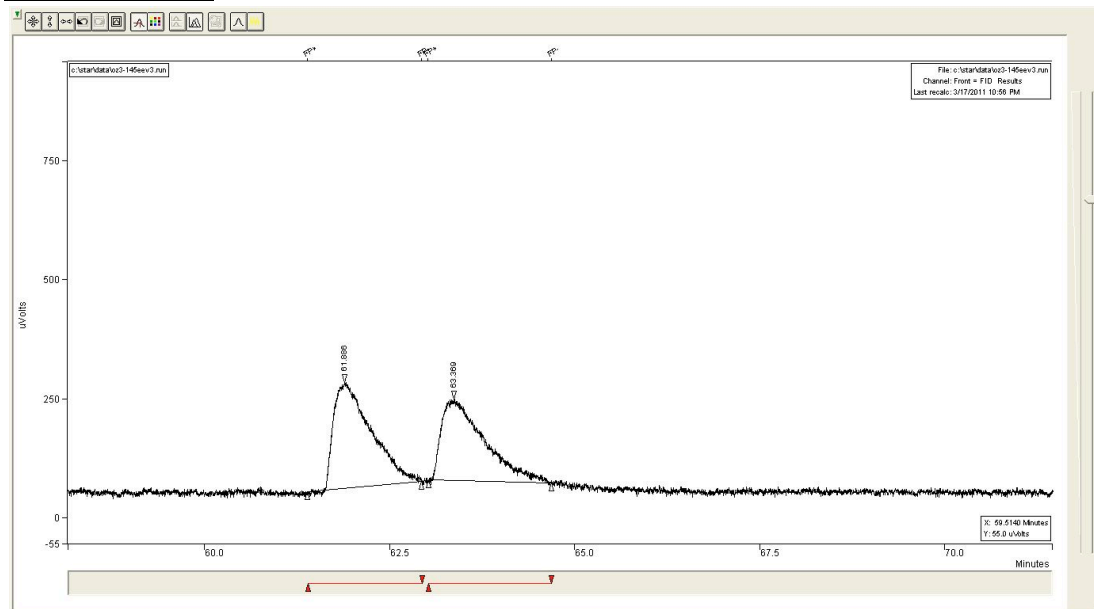
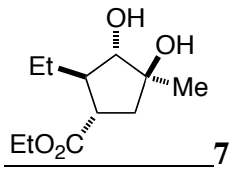
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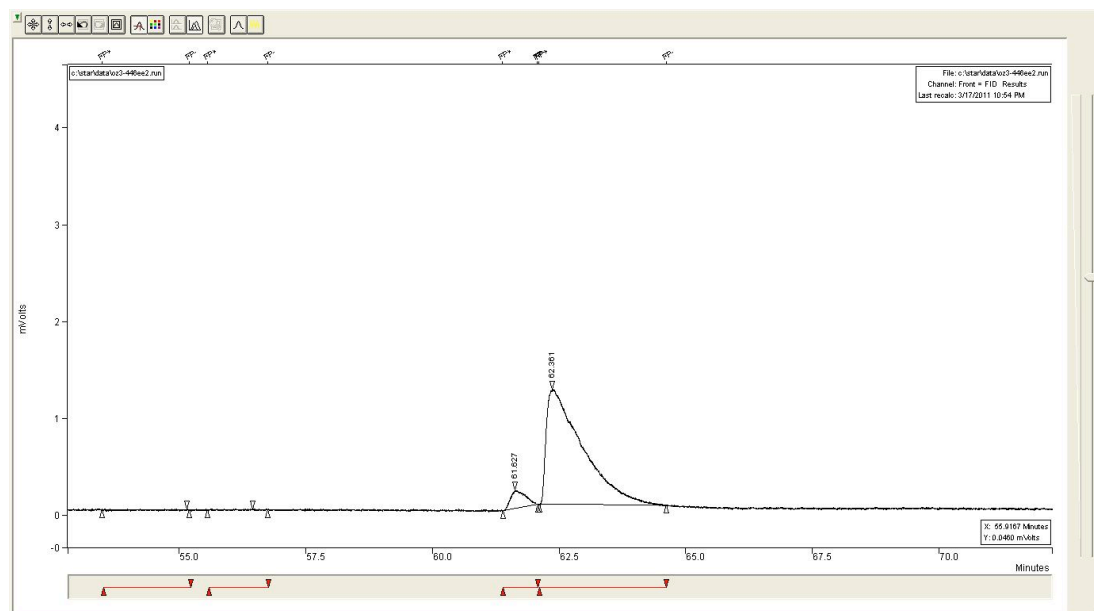
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Peak1	10.841	5912
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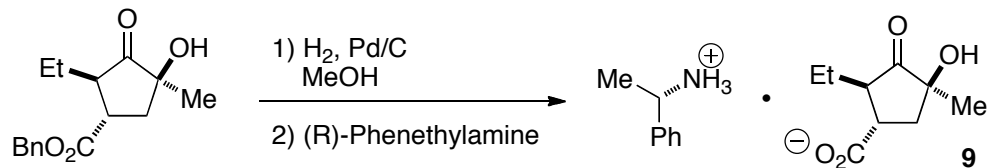


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Peak2	63.369	0.72



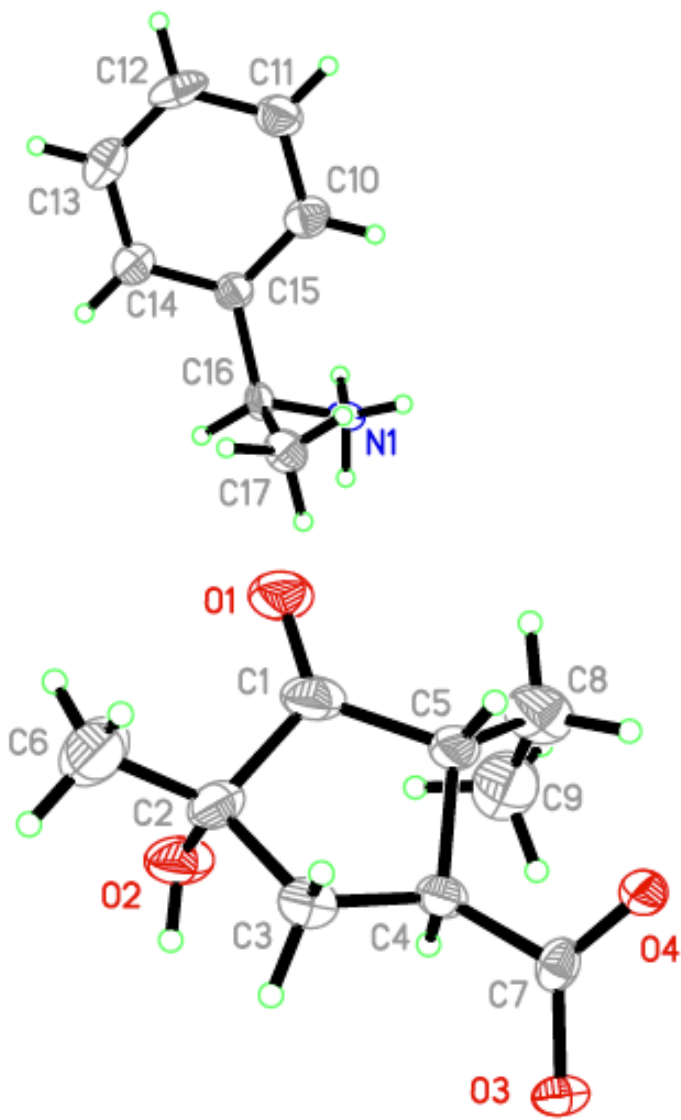
	Retention Time (min)	Area (mVolts*s)
Peak1	61.627	3.78
Peak2	62.361	59

X-Ray Crystal Structure and Data



Procedure:

4i was combined with 10% Palladium on Carbon (10 wt%) and suspended in dry methanol. An atmosphere (1 atm) of H₂ was introduced via balloon and stirred at room temperature overnight. The reaction was filtered through a plug of celite and concentrated to an oil. This crude oil was then dissolved in DCM and the amine (1 equiv.) was added. The reaction was concentrated and the product was recrystallized by slow evaporation from methanol.



_Table 1. Crystal data and structure refinement for Rovis99_0m.

Identification code	rovis99_0m	
Empirical formula	C ₁₇ H ₂₅ NO ₄	
Formula weight	307.38	
Temperature	120 K	
Wavelength	0.71073 Å	
Crystal system	Orthorhombic	
Space group	P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁	
Unit cell dimensions	<i>a</i> = 6.1775(5) Å	α = 90°.
	<i>b</i> = 13.7872(10) Å	β = 90°.
	<i>c</i> = 19.8051(14) Å	γ = 90°.
Volume	1686.8(2) Å ³	
Z	4	
Density (calculated)	1.210 Mg/m ³	
Absorption coefficient	0.086 mm ⁻¹	
F(000)	664	
Crystal size	0.20 x 0.11 x 0.06 mm ³	
Theta range for data collection	1.80 to 24.41°.	
Index ranges	-7 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 7, -15 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 16, -23 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 23	
Reflections collected	24929	
Independent reflections	2773 [R(int) = 0.1599]	
Completeness to theta = 24.41°	100.0 %	
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents	
Max. and min. transmission	0.9950 and 0.9835	
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²	
Data / restraints / parameters	2773 / 0 / 204	
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.005	
Final R indices [I > 2σ(I)]	R1 = 0.0559, wR2 = 0.1031	
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.1341, wR2 = 0.1311	
Absolute structure parameter	-1(2)	
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.191 and -0.253 e.Å ⁻³	

Table 2. Atomic coordinates ($\times 10^4$) and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ($\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$) for Rovis99_0m. $U(\text{eq})$ is defined as one third of the trace of the orthogonalized U^{ij} tensor.

	x	y	z	$U(\text{eq})$
C(1)	1189(7)	5403(3)	2272(2)	36(1)
C(2)	2746(7)	5442(3)	1665(2)	32(1)
C(3)	1591(7)	4816(3)	1137(2)	30(1)
C(4)	442(7)	4023(3)	1557(2)	25(1)
C(5)	-428(7)	4592(3)	2162(2)	30(1)
C(6)	3355(10)	6445(3)	1442(2)	56(2)
C(7)	-1185(7)	3485(3)	1119(2)	23(1)
C(8)	-945(8)	4013(4)	2802(2)	44(1)
C(9)	849(9)	3380(3)	3045(2)	53(2)
C(10)	6989(8)	4591(3)	9518(2)	33(1)
C(11)	6401(8)	5494(3)	9768(2)	38(1)
C(12)	7823(9)	6258(3)	9735(2)	43(1)
C(13)	9829(9)	6134(4)	9452(2)	46(1)
C(14)	10428(8)	5231(3)	9207(2)	36(1)
C(15)	9024(7)	4455(3)	9239(2)	25(1)
C(16)	9717(6)	3510(3)	8924(2)	23(1)
C(17)	8800(7)	3376(3)	8215(2)	30(1)
N(1)	9017(5)	2659(2)	9347(1)	22(1)
O(1)	1297(5)	5923(2)	2760(2)	47(1)
O(2)	4568(5)	4940(2)	1949(2)	45(1)
O(3)	-396(4)	2840(2)	731(1)	24(1)
O(4)	-3154(5)	3710(2)	1143(1)	27(1)

Table 3. Bond lengths [\AA] and angles [$^\circ$] for Rovis99_0m.

C(1)-O(1)	1.206(5)
C(1)-C(5)	1.514(6)
C(1)-C(2)	1.540(6)
C(2)-O(2)	1.437(5)
C(2)-C(6)	1.499(6)
C(2)-C(3)	1.532(6)
C(3)-C(4)	1.545(5)
C(4)-C(7)	1.521(6)
C(4)-C(5)	1.530(5)
C(5)-C(8)	1.532(6)
C(7)-O(4)	1.256(5)
C(7)-O(3)	1.272(5)
C(8)-C(9)	1.490(6)
C(10)-C(15)	1.386(6)
C(10)-C(11)	1.388(6)
C(11)-C(12)	1.373(6)
C(12)-C(13)	1.371(7)
C(13)-C(14)	1.387(6)
C(14)-C(15)	1.379(5)
C(15)-C(16)	1.506(5)
C(16)-N(1)	1.505(4)
C(16)-C(17)	1.526(5)
O(1)-C(1)-C(5)	126.2(4)
O(1)-C(1)-C(2)	124.8(4)
C(5)-C(1)-C(2)	109.0(4)
O(2)-C(2)-C(6)	111.3(4)
O(2)-C(2)-C(3)	111.1(3)
C(6)-C(2)-C(3)	115.9(4)
O(2)-C(2)-C(1)	99.6(3)
C(6)-C(2)-C(1)	114.8(4)
C(3)-C(2)-C(1)	102.8(4)
C(2)-C(3)-C(4)	104.2(3)
C(7)-C(4)-C(5)	117.7(4)

C(7)-C(4)-C(3)	110.0(3)
C(5)-C(4)-C(3)	102.7(3)
C(1)-C(5)-C(4)	105.0(4)
C(1)-C(5)-C(8)	113.8(4)
C(4)-C(5)-C(8)	117.0(4)
O(4)-C(7)-O(3)	124.5(4)
O(4)-C(7)-C(4)	119.9(4)
O(3)-C(7)-C(4)	115.6(4)
C(9)-C(8)-C(5)	114.7(4)
C(15)-C(10)-C(11)	120.1(5)
C(12)-C(11)-C(10)	120.3(5)
C(13)-C(12)-C(11)	120.2(4)
C(12)-C(13)-C(14)	119.7(5)
C(15)-C(14)-C(13)	120.9(4)
C(14)-C(15)-C(10)	118.9(4)
C(14)-C(15)-C(16)	118.3(4)
C(10)-C(15)-C(16)	122.7(4)
N(1)-C(16)-C(15)	111.3(3)
N(1)-C(16)-C(17)	108.1(3)
C(15)-C(16)-C(17)	112.3(3)

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms:

Table 4. Anisotropic displacement parameters ($\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$) for Rovis99_0m. The anisotropic displacement factor exponent takes the form: $-2\pi^2 [h^2 a^{*2} U^{11} + \dots + 2 h k a^* b^* U^{12}]$

	U ¹¹	U ²²	U ³³	U ²³	U ¹³	U ¹²
C(1)	28(3)	40(3)	40(3)	-14(3)	-1(2)	12(3)
C(2)	30(3)	26(3)	39(3)	-10(2)	-5(2)	2(2)
C(3)	31(3)	33(3)	28(2)	-2(2)	1(2)	5(2)
C(4)	22(3)	29(3)	24(2)	-6(2)	2(2)	3(2)
C(5)	22(3)	36(3)	33(3)	-15(2)	1(2)	-1(2)
C(6)	79(4)	40(3)	50(3)	-7(3)	8(3)	-15(3)
C(7)	28(3)	21(3)	19(2)	3(2)	-2(2)	-7(2)
C(8)	43(3)	64(4)	25(3)	-10(2)	-3(2)	1(3)
C(9)	65(4)	57(4)	37(3)	0(3)	1(3)	-10(3)
C(10)	39(3)	26(3)	33(3)	4(2)	-1(2)	3(3)
C(11)	42(3)	35(3)	38(3)	1(2)	11(3)	4(3)
C(12)	66(4)	20(3)	43(3)	-3(2)	-4(3)	12(3)
C(13)	52(4)	29(3)	58(3)	-1(3)	2(3)	-10(3)
C(14)	40(3)	29(3)	39(3)	-4(2)	4(2)	-4(3)
C(15)	26(3)	22(3)	27(2)	2(2)	0(2)	2(2)
C(16)	19(2)	22(2)	29(2)	3(2)	4(2)	-4(2)
C(17)	35(3)	36(3)	20(2)	5(2)	4(2)	-1(2)
N(1)	23(2)	22(2)	21(2)	-4(2)	3(2)	4(2)
O(1)	34(2)	57(2)	49(2)	-32(2)	2(2)	-2(2)
O(2)	27(2)	54(2)	54(2)	-29(2)	-7(2)	8(2)
O(3)	26(2)	24(2)	23(2)	-8(1)	-2(1)	6(2)
O(4)	19(2)	27(2)	34(2)	-10(1)	1(1)	0(2)

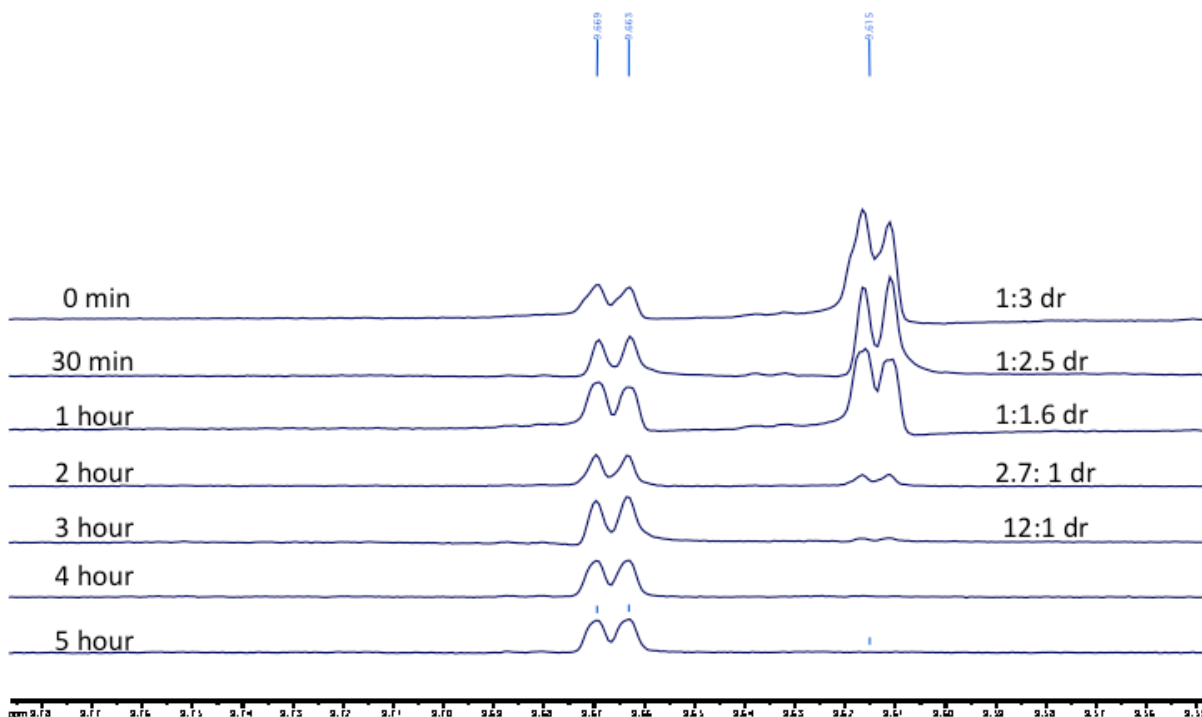
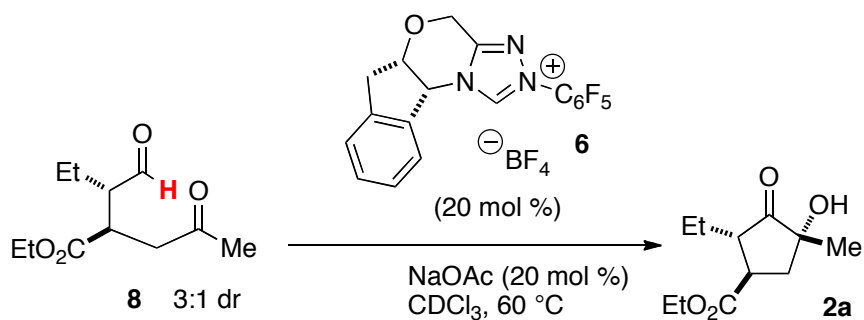
Table 5. Hydrogen coordinates ($\times 10^4$) and isotropic displacement parameters ($\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$) for Rovis99_0m.

	x	y	z	U(eq)
H(3A)	2622	4530	826	36
H(3B)	551	5196	884	36
H(4)	1530	3560	1718	30
H(5)	-1783	4897	2017	36
H(6A)	4503	6407	1117	84
H(6B)	3831	6814	1826	84
H(6C)	2121	6755	1242	84
H(8A)	-1322	4464	3159	53
H(8B)	-2204	3611	2716	53
H(9A)	2190	3732	3026	80
H(9B)	945	2815	2763	80
H(9C)	570	3187	3502	80
H(10)	6017	4077	9539	39
H(11)	5038	5582	9958	46
H(12)	7424	6861	9905	51
H(13)	10785	6654	9424	56
H(14)	11796	5148	9019	43
H(16)	11301	3505	8895	28
H(17A)	7248	3403	8233	46
H(17B)	9245	2759	8040	46
H(17C)	9329	3883	7927	46
H(1A)	7626	2533	9269	33
H(1B)	9201	2798	9782	33
H(1C)	9809	2142	9239	33
H(2)	5129	4598	1659	67

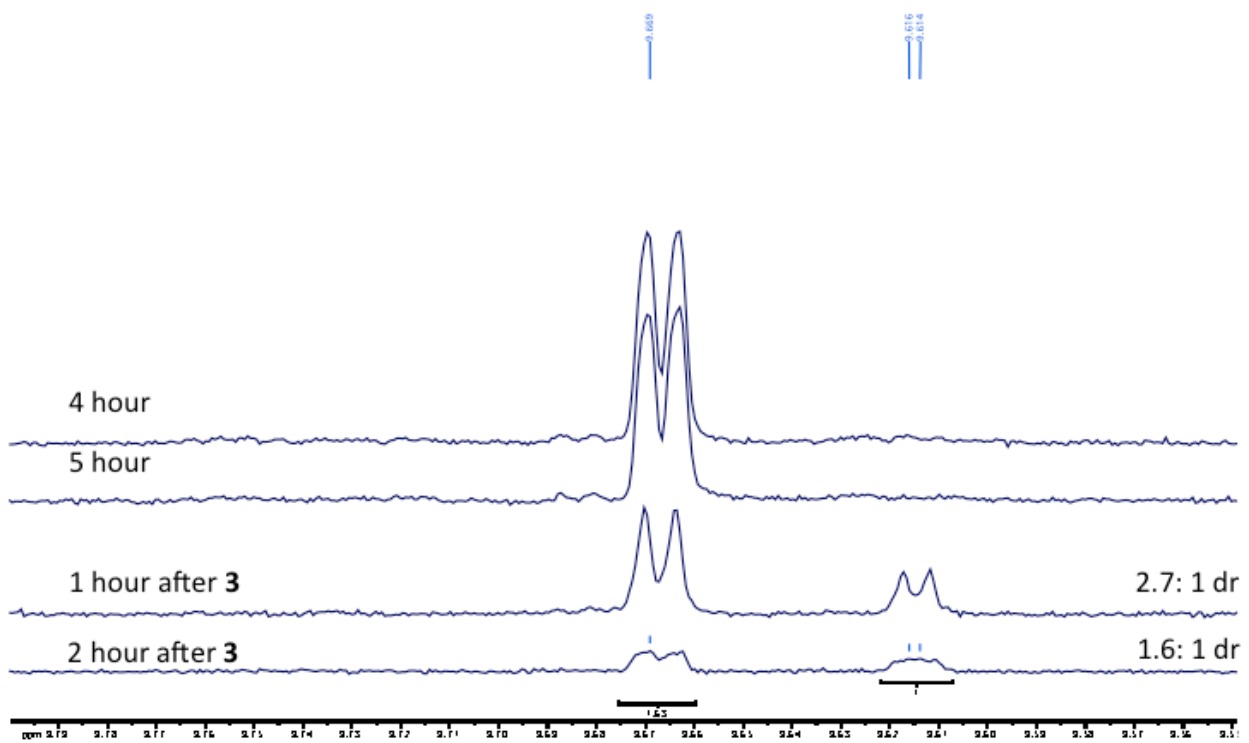
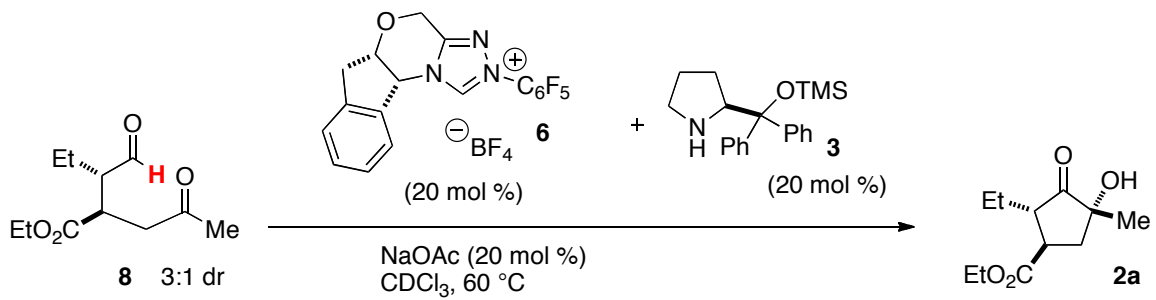
NMR Studies

Procedure:

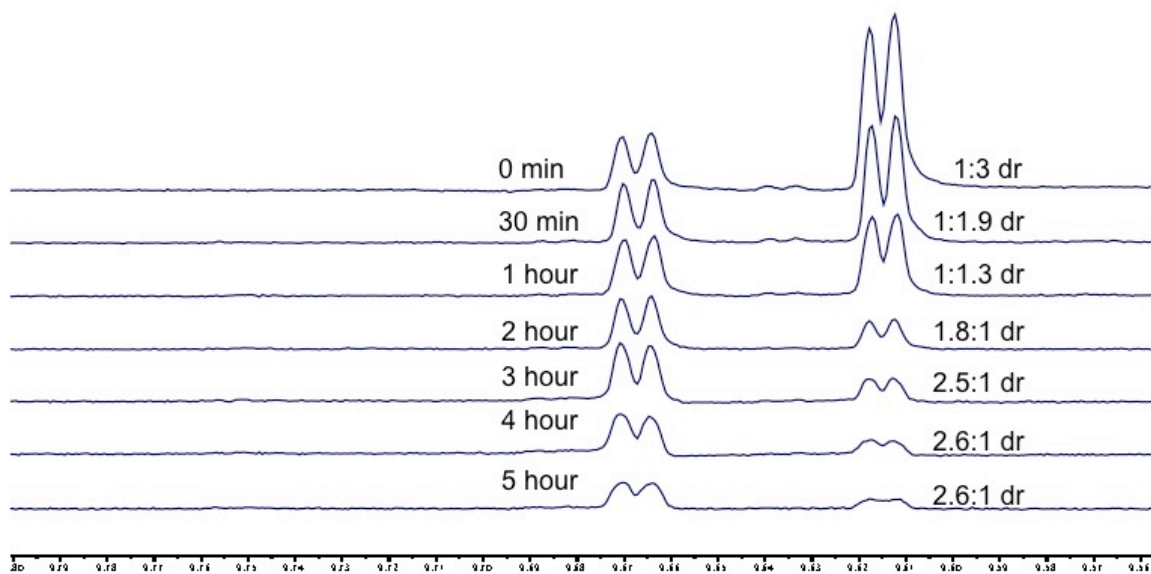
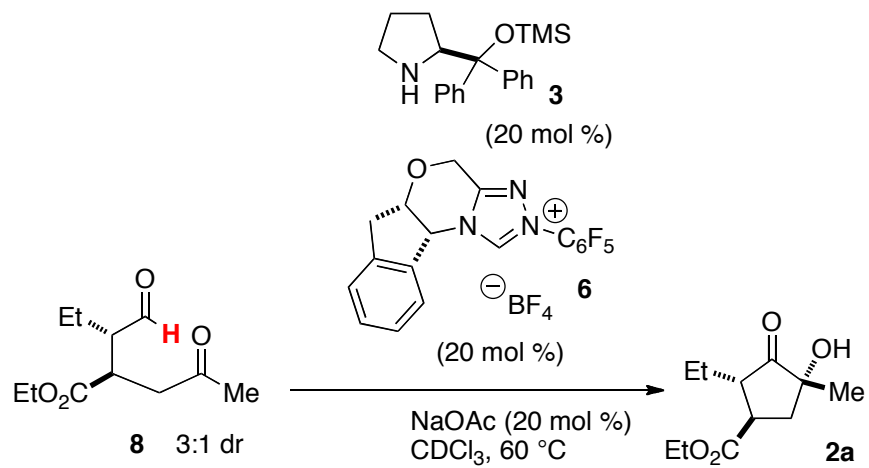
In a 1 dram vial, 25 mg of **8** (0.12 mmol) was combined with 9 mg of **6** (0.2 equiv, 0.02 mmol), 2 mg of NaOAc (0.2 equiv., 0.02 mmol), and 7 mg trimethoxybenzene (internal standard, 0.3 equiv., 0.04 mmol). This mixture was taken up in CDCl₃ and transferred to an NMR tube. The tube was heated in an oil bath at 60 °C. Spectra was taken at intervals throughout the reaction.



After 5 hours, 6.5 mg of **3** (0.2 equiv., 0.02 mmol) was added and continued heating.

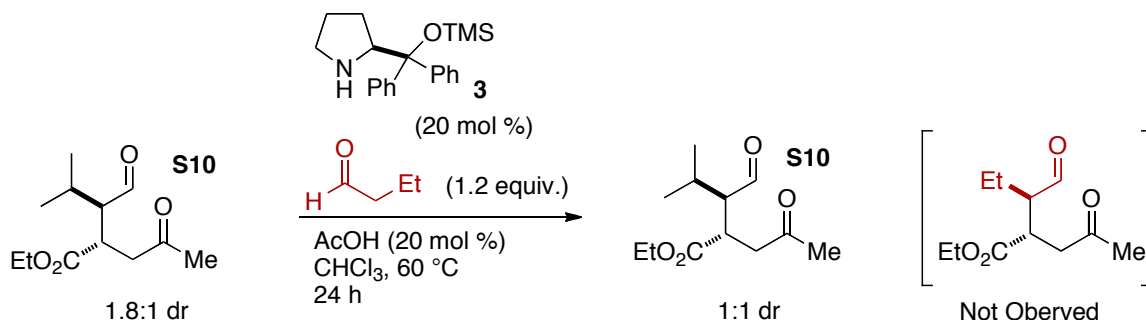


This experiment was repeated, but with amine catalyst **3** present from the beginning.

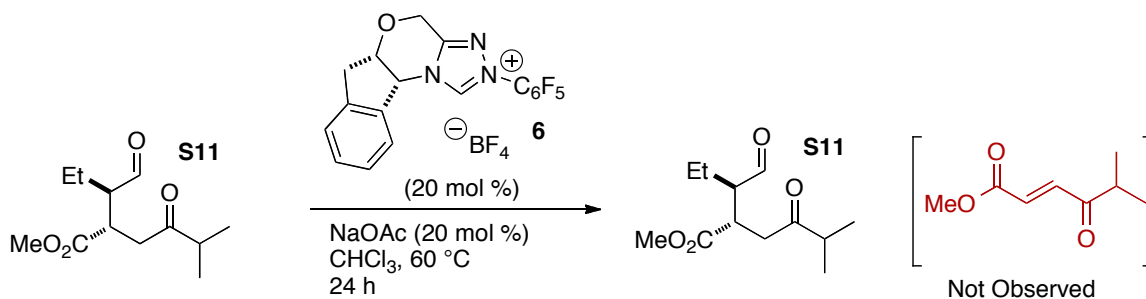


Crossover Experiments

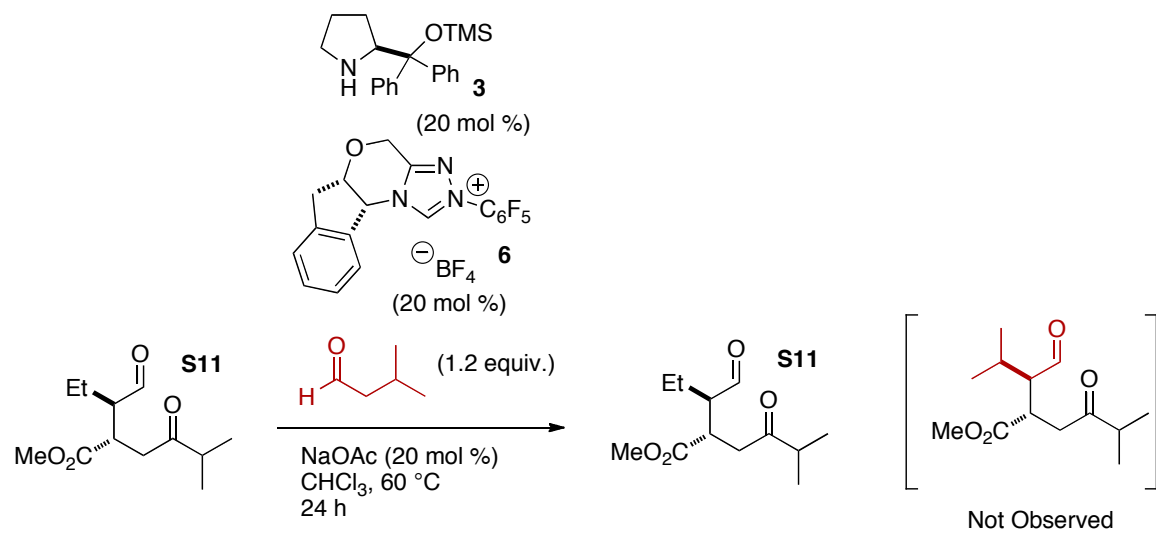
To determine if a retro-Michael was responsible for low diastereoselectivity, a crossover experiment was conducted by heating the intermediate aldehyde with a different aldehyde starting material in the presence of the amine catalyst. No crossover product was observed, indicating that the amine catalyst is not responsible for this pathway.



To determine if the NHC catalyst played a role in the retro-Michael, compound **S11** was exposed catalyst **6**, base, and heat for one day. If the retro-Michael occurred, we would expect formation of starting material **2**. None was observed. Note that the combination of the isopropylketone with bulky catalyst **6** does not provide the benzoin product.



In case the combination of the amine catalyst and the NHC catalyst was responsible, S11 was exposed to both catalysts, isovaleraldehyde, and heat for 1 day. No crossover product was observed.



From these results, we are confident that a retro-Michael is not a factor in this new cascade reaction.