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Structure-Based Design and Biological Evaluation of Triphenyl Scaffold Based Hybrid Compounds as Hydrolytically Stable Modulators of a LuxR-Type Quorum Sensing Receptor

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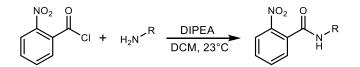
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Synthesis and characterization data for compounds 2–29.

General experimental details.

All reagents and solvents were purchased from commercial sources (Sigma-Aldrich, TCI America, or Acros Organics) and used without further purification. Analytical thin-layer chromatography (TLC) was performed on 250 μ m silica plates from Silicycle. Visualization was accomplished using UV light. Flash column chromatography was performed using Silica Gel 60 (230–400 mesh) from Macherey–Nagel. All ¹H- and ¹³C-NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker Avance-400 or -500 spectrometer. Chemical shifts are reported in ppm relative to residual solvent peaks as internal standards set to δ 7.26 and δ 77.16 (CDCl₃) or δ 2.50 and δ 39.52 ((CD₃)₂SO). NMR data are reported as follows: chemical shift, multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, p = pentet, br = broad, dd = doublet of doublets, dq = doublet of quartets, td = triplet of doublets, pd = pentet of doublets, m = multiplet), coupling constant (Hz), and integration. High-resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were recorded on a Q Extractive Plus Orbitrap with an electrospray ion source.

General procedure for synthesis of compounds 2–29.

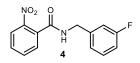


To a solution of amine (0.24 mmol, 1.2 eq.) and *N*,*N*-diisopropylamine (94 μ L, 0.54 mmol, 2.5 eq.) in dichloromethane (2.2 mL, 0.1 M), 2-nitrobenzoyl chloride (28 μ L, 0.22 mmol, 1.0 eq.) was added at room temperature (rt). The solution was allowed to stir for 5 min at rt, after which it was diluted with diethyl ether (15 mL). The mixture was then washed with 1 M HCl (2 x 20 mL), saturated sodium bicarbonate (2 x 20 mL), and saturated brine (20 mL). The organic layer was separated, dried over magnesium sulfate, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure to yield the crude product. All compounds were purified to homogeneity via flash column chromatography, with hexanes and ethyl acetate as the eluent.

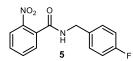
Characterization data for compounds 2–29.

Compound **2** was prepared according to the general procedure and purified by flash column chromatography (30–40% ethyl acetate in hexanes, $R_f = 0.1$ in 30% ethyl acetate) to afford the product (46 mg, 82%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.02 (dd, J = 8.1, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (td, J = 7.5, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (td, J = 7.8, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (dd, J = 7.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.41 – 7.32 (m, 4H), 7.32 – 7.27 (m, 1H), 6.27 (s, 1H), 4.60 (d, J = 5.7 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 166.46, 146.52, 137.54, 133.82, 132.94, 130.62, 128.93, 128.81, 128.16, 127.90, 124.70, 44.40. HRMS (TOF, ES+) C₁₄H₁₂N₂O₃ [M+H]⁺ calc. mass 257.0921, found 257.0921.

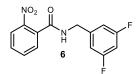
Compound **3** was prepared according to the general procedure and was purified by flash column chromatography (30–40% ethyl acetate in hexanes, $R_f = 0.27$ in 40% ethyl acetate) to afford the product (54 mg, 90%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.01 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.50 – 7.42 (m, 2H), 7.31 – 7.25 (m, 1H), 7.14 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (t, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 6.37 (t, J = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 4.65 (d, J = 5.9 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 166.53, 161.11 (d, J = 246.3 Hz), 146.52, 133.80, 132.78, 130.65, 130.62, 129.71 (d, J = 8.2 Hz), 128.82, 124.67, 124.60 (d, J = 3.9 Hz), 124.47, 115.50 (d, J = 21.2 Hz), 38.25 (d, J = 4.1 Hz). HRMS (TOF, ES+) C₁₄H₁₁FN₂O₃ [M+H]⁺ calc. mass 275.0827, found 275.0826.



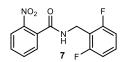
Compound **4** was prepared according to the general procedure and was purified by flash column chromatography (40% ethyl acetate in hexanes, $R_{\rm f} = 0.16$ in 40% ethyl acetate) to afford the product (58 mg, 97%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.01 (dd, J = 8.1, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (td, J = 7.5, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (td, J = 7.8, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (dd, J = 7.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.36 – 7.26 (m, 1H), 7.13 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (dt, J = 9.6, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 6.97 (td, J = 8.5, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 6.40 (t, J = 6.1 Hz, 1H), 4.57 (d, J = 5.9 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 166.62, 163.07 (d, J = 246.6 Hz), 146.50, 140.13 (d, J = 7.2 Hz), 133.87, 132.71, 130.73, 130.46 (d, J = 8.2 Hz), 128.78, 124.72, 123.59 (d, J = 3.0 Hz), 114.93 (d, J = 13.7 Hz), 114.72 (d, J = 13.1 Hz), 43.74 (d, J = 1.9 Hz). HRMS (TOF, ES+) C₁₄H₁₁FN₂O₃ [M+H]⁺ calc. mass 275.0827, found 275.0826.



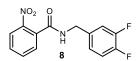
Compound **5** was prepared according to the general procedure and was purified by flash column chromatography (40% ethyl acetate in hexanes, $R_f = 0.16$ in 40% ethyl acetate) to afford the product (48 mg, 80%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.02 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (dd, J = 8.3, 5.3 Hz, 2H), 7.02 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.30 (s, 1H), 4.55 (d, J = 5.8 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 166.50, 162.45 (d, J = 246.1 Hz), 146.51, 133.85, 133.40 (d, J = 3.3 Hz), 132.83, 130.68, 129.88 (d, J = 8.2 Hz), 128.79, 124.72, 115.77 (d, J = 21.4 Hz), 43.62. HRMS (TOF, ES+) $C_{14}H_{11}FN_2O_3$ [M+H]⁺ calc. mass 275.0827, found 275.0826.



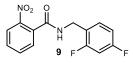
Compound **6** was prepared according to the general procedure and was purified by flash column chromatography (40% ethyl acetate in hexanes, $R_f = 0.18$ in 40% ethyl acetate) to afford the product (52 mg, 84%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.01 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.87 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 6.71 (t, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 6.61 – 6.47 (m, 1H), 4.54 (d, J = 6.1 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 166.76, 163.32 (dd, J = 249.2, 12.7 Hz), 146.54, 141.61 (t, J = 9.2 Hz), 133.93, 132.53, 130.90, 128.76, 124.82, 110.69 (dd, J = 19.5, 6.1 Hz), 103.29 (t, J = 25.3 Hz), 43.48. HRMS (TOF, ES+) C₁₄H₁₁F₂N₂O₃ [M+H]⁺ calc. mass 293.0732, found 293.0731.



Compound 7 was prepared according to the general procedure and was purified by flash column chromatography (40% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford the product (54 mg, 87%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.02 (dd, J = 8.1, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (td, J = 7.5, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (td, J = 7.9, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (dd, J = 7.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.32 – 7.22 (m, 1H), 6.92 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 6.24 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 4.73 (d, J = 5.7 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 166.19, 161.68 (dd, J = 249.5, 7.9 Hz), 146.44, 133.28 (d, J = 109.8 Hz), 130.64, 129.99 (t, J = 10.3 Hz), 128.87, 124.67, 113.18 (t, J = 19.2 Hz), 111.88 – 111.32 (m), 32.27 (t, J = 3.8 Hz). HRMS (TOF, ES+) C₁₄H₁₁F₂N₂O₃ [M+H]⁺ calc. mass 293.0732, found 293.0730.

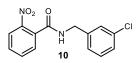


Compound **8** was prepared according to the general procedure and was purified by flash column chromatography (40–50% ethyl acetate in hexanes, $R_f = 0.15$ in 40% ethyl acetate) to afford the product (54 mg, 86%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 9.25 (t, J = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 8.05 (dd, J = 8.1, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.81 (td, J = 7.5, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.74 – 7.65 (m, 2H), 7.47 – 7.37 (m, 2H), 7.25 – 7.19 (m, 1H), 4.45 (d, J = 5.9 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 165.63, 149.25 (dd, J = 245.2, 12.7 Hz), 148.43 (dd, J = 244.1, 12.5 Hz), 147.05, 136.74 (dd, J = 5.5, 3.7 Hz), 133.66, 132.18, 130.87, 129.11, 124.13, 123.99 (dd, J = 6.5, 3.3 Hz), 117.28 (d, J = 17.1 Hz), 116.23 (d, J = 17.4 Hz), 41.63. HRMS (TOF, ES+) C₁₄H₁₁F₂N₂O₃ [M+H]⁺ calc. mass 293.0732, found 293.0730.

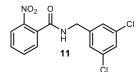


Compound **9** was prepared according to the general procedure and was purified by flash column chromatography (40% ethyl acetate in hexanes, $R_f = 0.27$ in 40% ethyl acetate) to afford the product (56 mg, 89%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 9.21 (t, J = 5.8 Hz, 1H), 8.04 (dd, J =

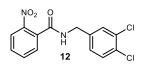
8.1, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.80 (td, J = 7.5, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (td, J = 7.8, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (dd, J = 7.5, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (td, J = 8.7, 6.6 Hz, 1H), 7.25 (ddd, J = 10.5, 9.3, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 7.15 – 7.06 (m, 1H), 4.45 (d, J = 5.7 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 165.56, 161.49 (dd, J = 245.5, 12.1 Hz), 160.06 (dd, J = 247.5, 12.1 Hz), 147.03, 133.64, 132.14, 131.00 (dd, J = 9.9, 5.9 Hz), 130.87, 129.12, 124.11, 121.78 (dd, J = 14.9, 3.7 Hz), 111.33 (dd, J = 21.1, 3.7 Hz), 103.69 (t, J = 25.8 Hz), 36.11 (d, J = 4.0 Hz). HRMS (TOF, ES+) C₁₄H₁₁F₂N₂O₃ [M+H]⁺ calc. mass 293.0732, found 293.0731.



Compound **10** was prepared according to the general procedure and was purified by flash column chromatography (40% ethyl acetate in hexanes, $R_f = 0.13$ in 40% ethyl acetate) to afford the product (53 mg, 84%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.96 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.60 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.52 (td, J = 7.8, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.42 (dd, J = 7.5, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.28 (s, 1H), 7.27 – 7.18 (m, 3H), 6.67 (s, 1H), 4.48 (d, J = 5.9 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 166.68, 146.41, 139.68, 134.54, 133.80, 132.54, 130.65, 130.14, 128.74, 127.96, 127.89, 126.10, 124.61, 43.56. HRMS (TOF, ES+) C₁₄H₁₁ClN₂O₃ [M+H]⁺ calc. mass 291.0531, found 291.0530.



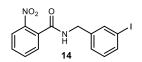
Compound **11** was prepared according to the general procedure and was purified by flash column chromatography (45% ethyl acetate in hexanes, $R_f = 0.23$ in 40% ethyl acetate) to afford the product (66 mg, 94%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 9.29 (t, J = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 8.06 (dd, J = 8.1, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.82 (td, J = 7.5, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.74 – 7.66 (m, 2H), 7.52 (t, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (d, J = 1.9 Hz, 2H), 4.47 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 166.24, 147.56, 143.74, 134.42, 134.18, 132.51, 131.43, 129.56, 127.02, 126.51, 124.66, 42.14. HRMS (TOF, ES+) C₁₄H₁₀Cl₂N₂O₃ [M+H]⁺ calc. mass 325.0141, found 325.0141.



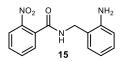
Compound **12** was prepared according to the general procedure and was purified by flash column chromatography (50% ethyl acetate in hexanes, $R_f = 0.15$ in 40% ethyl acetate) to afford the product (56 mg, 80%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 9.28 (t, J = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 8.05 (dd, J = 8.1, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.81 (td, J = 7.5, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.75 – 7.65 (m, 2H), 7.63 (dd, J = 5.1, 3.1 Hz, 2H), 7.36 (dd, J = 8.3, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 4.46 (d, J = 5.9 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 165.68, 147.07, 140.17, 133.70, 132.12, 130.93, 130.49, 129.43, 129.31, 129.09, 127.68, 124.17, 112.02, 41.55. HRMS (TOF, ES+) C₁₄H₁₀Cl₂N₂O₃ [M+H]⁺ calc. mass 325.0141, found 325.0140.

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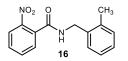
Compound **13** was prepared according to the general procedure and was purified by flash column chromatography (45% ethyl acetate in hexanes, $R_f = 0.14$ in 40% ethyl acetate) to afford the product (57 mg, 80%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.98 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (td, J = 7.8, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.49 – 7.38 (m, 3H), 7.33 – 7.25 (m, 1H), 7.21 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.66 (s, 1H), 4.50 (d, J = 5.8 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 166.67, 146.42, 139.94, 133.81, 132.54, 130.89, 130.84, 130.67, 130.44, 128.74, 126.60, 124.62, 122.75, 43.51. HRMS (TOF, ES+) C₁₄H₁₁BrN₂O₃ [M+H]⁺ calc. mass 335.0026, found 335.0026.



Compound **14** was prepared according to the general procedure and was purified by flash column chromatography (30–40% ethyl acetate in hexanes, $R_f = 0.16$ at 40% ethyl acetate) to afford the product (69 mg, 84%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.96 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (s, 1H), 7.60 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.52 (td, J = 7.8, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (dd, J = 7.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.30 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.63 (t, J = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 4.45 (d, J = 5.8 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 166.63, 146.42, 139.99, 136.80 (one set of coincident signals), 133.81, 132.53, 130.66, 130.59, 128.74, 127.26, 124.62, 94.62, 43.39. HRMS (TOF, ES+) C₁₄H₁₁IN₂O₃ [M+H]⁺ calc. mass 382.9887, found 382.9885.

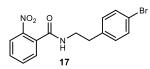


Compound **15** was prepared according to the general procedure (without the 1 M HCl wash) and was purified by flash column chromatography (50–60% ethyl acetate in hexanes, $R_f = 0.20$ in 60% ethyl acetate) to afford the product (50 mg, 85%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.96 (dd, J = 8.1, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.58 (td, J = 7.5, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (td, J = 7.8, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (dd, J = 7.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.08 (td, J = 7.7, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.03 (dd, J = 7.4, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 6.69 – 6.61 (m, 2H), 6.50 (t, J = 6.1 Hz, 1H), 4.46 (d, J = 5.9 Hz, 2H), 4.19 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 166.91, 146.39, 145.71, 133.78, 132.53, 130.79, 130.63, 129.51, 128.76, 124.59, 121.05, 117.99, 116.01, 41.60. HRMS (TOF, ES+) C₁₄H₁₁N₃O₃ [M+H]⁺ calc. mass 272.1030, found 272.1030.

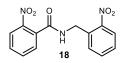


Compound **16** was prepared according to the general procedure and was purified by flash column chromatography (40% ethyl acetate in hexanes, $R_f = 0.23$ in 40% ethyl acetate) to afford the product (46 mg, 79%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.01 (dd, J = 8.1, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (td, J = 7.5, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (td, J = 7.8, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (dd, J = 7.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.34 – 7.29 (m, 1H), 7.24 – 7.15 (m, 3H), 6.09 (s, 1H), 4.60 (d, J = 5.3 Hz, 2H), 2.39 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101

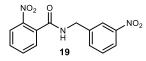
MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 166.30, 146.51, 136.81, 135.09, 133.79, 132.92, 130.74, 130.59, 129.03, 128.81, 128.21, 126.44, 124.68, 42.62, 19.13. HRMS (TOF, ES+) $C_{15}H_{14}N_2O_3$ [M+H]⁺ calc. mass 271.1077, found 271.1076.



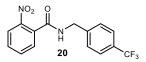
Compound **17** was prepared according to the general procedure and was purified by flash column chromatography (30–40% ethyl acetate in hexanes, $R_f = 0.08$ in 30% ethyl acetate) to afford the product (71 mg, 95%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.05 (dd, J = 8.1, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (td, J = 7.5, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (td, J = 7.9, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.47 – 7.39 (m, 3H), 7.19 – 7.12 (m, 2H), 5.79 (t, J = 6.1 Hz, 1H), 3.71 (q, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.94 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 166.63, 146.63, 137.77, 133.86, 133.06, 131.94, 130.77, 130.66, 128.72, 124.77, 120.66, 41.23, 34.92. HRMS (TOF, ES+) C₁₅H₁₃Br N₂O₃ [M+H]⁺ calc. mass 349.0182, found 349.0182.



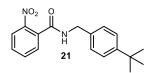
Compound **18** was prepared according to the general procedure and was purified by flash column chromatography (40% ethyl acetate in hexanes, $R_f = 0.19$ in 40% ethyl acetate) to afford the product (52 mg, 81%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.08 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 8.03 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.82 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.67 (dt, J = 15.5, 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.57 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.54 – 7.46 (m, 2H), 6.74 (s, 1H), 4.86 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 166.68, 148.51, 146.52, 134.49, 133.90, 133.18, 132.79, 132.67, 130.79, 129.26, 128.74, 125.28, 124.78, 42.05. HRMS (TOF, ES+) C₁₄H₁₁ N₃O₅ [M+H]⁺ calc. mass 302.0772, found 302.0770.



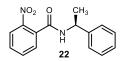
Compound **19** was prepared according to the general procedure and was purified by flash column chromatography (40–45% ethyl acetate in hexanes, $R_f = 0.11$ in 40% ethyl acetate) to afford the product (56 mg, 88%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 9.37 (t, J = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 8.25 (t, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 8.15 (ddd, J = 8.1, 2.4, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 8.06 (dd, J = 8.1, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.87 – 7.78 (m, 2H), 7.72 (td, J = 7.8, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.69 – 7.65 (m, 2H), 4.59 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 165.85, 147.89, 147.10, 141.35, 134.11, 133.78, 132.13, 131.02, 129.92, 129.10, 124.25, 122.01, 121.97, 42.01. HRMS (TOF, ES+) C₁₄H₁₁ N₃O₅ [M+H]⁺ calc. mass 302.0772, found 302.0769.



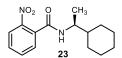
Compound **20** was prepared according to the general procedure and was purified by flash column chromatography (40–50% ethyl acetate in hexanes, $R_f = 0.14$ in 40% ethyl acetate) to afford the product (55 mg, 79%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 9.31 (t, J = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 8.05 (dd, J = 8.1, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.81 (td, J = 7.5, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.76 – 7.66 (m, 4H), 7.65 – 7.55 (m, 2H), 4.54 (d, J = 5.9 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 165.68, 147.08, 143.81, 133.68, 132.18, 130.93, 129.11, 128.00, 127.63 (q, J = 31.5 Hz), 125.21 (q, J = 3.8 Hz), 124.36 (q, J = 272.1 Hz), 124.17, 42.25. HRMS (TOF, ES+) C₁₅H₁₁F₃N₂O₃ [M+H]⁺ calc. mass 342.1060, found 342.1060.



Compound **21** was prepared according to the general procedure and was purified by flash column chromatography (30–40% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford the product (60 mg, 88%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.02 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.66 – 7.60 (m, 1H), 7.54 (td, *J* = 7.9, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.31 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 6.23 (s, 1H), 4.57 (d, *J* = 5.5 Hz, 2H), 1.31 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 166.37, 150.93, 146.53, 134.48, 133.78, 132.99, 130.57, 128.81, 127.97, 125.85, 124.66, 44.09, 34.66, 31.44. HRMS (TOF, ES+) C₁₈H₂₀N₂O₃ [M+H]⁺ calc. mass 313.1547, found 313.1545.



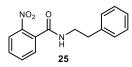
Compound **22** was prepared according to the general procedure and was purified by flash column chromatography (30–40% ethyl acetate in hexanes, $R_f = 0.27$ in 40% ethyl acetate) to afford the product (52 mg, 90%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.02 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (td, J = 7.5, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (td, J = 7.8, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (dd, J = 7.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.43 – 7.33 (m, 4H), 7.33 – 7.27 (m, 1H), 6.17 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 5.31 (p, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 1.61 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 165.68, 146.41, 142.38, 133.82, 133.11, 130.50, 128.90, 128.86, 127.78, 126.51, 124.64, 49.64, 21.17. HRMS (TOF, ES+) C₁₅H₁₄N₂O₃ [M+H]⁺ calc. mass 271.1077, found 271.1076.



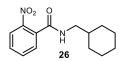
Compound **23** was prepared according to the general procedure and was purified by flash column chromatography (30–40% ethyl acetate in hexanes, $R_f = 0.33$ in 40% ethyl acetate) to afford the product (58 mg, 97%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.02 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (td, J = 7.5, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (td, J = 7.9, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (dd, J = 7.5, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 5.77 (d, J = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 4.02 (dp, J = 9.0, 6.7 Hz, 1H), 1.87 – 1.60 (m, 4H), 1.50 – 1.36 (m, 1H), 1.32 – 1.14 (m, 6H), 1.14 – 0.96 (m, 2H), 0.91 – 0.76 (m, 1H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ

165.92, 146.44, 133.76, 133.63, 130.32, 128.84, 124.59, 50.48, 42.94, 29.22, 29.14, 26.50, 26.27, 17.66. HRMS (TOF, ES+) $C_{15}H_{20}N_2O_3$ [M+H]⁺ calc. mass 277.1547, found 277.1547.

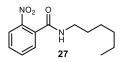
Compound **24** was prepared according to the general procedure and was purified by flash column chromatography (30–40% ethyl acetate in hexanes, $R_f = 0.22$ in 40% ethyl acetate) to afford the product (52 mg, 84%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.99 (dd, J = 8.1, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.58 (td, J = 7.5, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (td, J = 7.8, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.35 – 7.20 (m, 6H), 5.78 (s, 1H), 3.83 (ddd, J = 13.2, 7.1, 5.9 Hz, 1H), 3.42 (ddd, J = 13.6, 8.9, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 3.17 – 3.00 (m, 1H), 1.35 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 166.49, 146.57, 143.96, 133.71, 133.15, 130.46, 128.89, 128.67, 127.42, 126.92, 124.63, 46.74, 39.76, 19.63. HRMS (TOF, ES+) C₁₆H₁₆N₂O₃ [M+H]⁺ calc. mass 285.1234, found 285.1234.



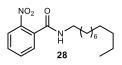
Compound **25** was prepared according to the general procedure and was purified by flash column chromatography (40% ethyl acetate in hexanes, $R_f = 0.16$ in at 40% ethyl acetate) to afford the product (50 mg, 86%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.01 (dd, J = 8.1, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (td, J = 7.5, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (td, J = 7.9, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (dd, J = 7.6, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.35 – 7.29 (m, 2H), 7.28 – 7.19 (m, 3H), 5.95 (s, 1H), 3.71 (q, J = 6.7 Hz, 2H), 2.95 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 166.57, 146.56, 138.75, 133.77, 133.12, 130.51, 128.97, 128.81, 128.72, 126.71, 124.65, 41.33, 35.41. HRMS (TOF, ES+) C₁₅H₁₄N₂O₃ [M+H]⁺ calc. mass 271.1077, found 271.1077.



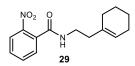
Compound **26** was prepared according to the general procedure and was purified by flash column chromatography (30–40% ethyl acetate in hexanes, $R_f = 0.21$ in 40% ethyl acetate) to afford the product (52 mg, 93%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.01 (dd, J = 8.1, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (td, J = 7.5, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (td, J = 7.8, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (dd, J = 7.5, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 6.03 (s, 1H), 3.26 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 1.84 – 1.63 (m, 4H), 1.63 – 1.52 (m, 1H), 1.34 – 1.10 (m, 4H), 1.06 – 0.79 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 166.62, 146.56, 133.75, 133.41, 130.42, 128.85, 124.61, 46.56, 37.79, 30.95, 26.48, 25.91. HRMS (TOF, ES+) C₁₄H₁₈N₂O₃ [M+H]⁺ calc. mass 263.1390, found 263.1385.



Compound **27** was prepared according to the general procedure and was purified by flash column chromatography (35–40% ethyl acetate in hexanes, $R_f = 0.22$ in 40% ethyl acetate) to afford the product (50 mg, 93%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.01 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 5.99 (t, J = 5.8 Hz, 1H), 3.41 (q, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 1.60 (p, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 1.45 – 1.17 (m, 6H), 0.97 – 0.80 (m, 3H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 166.56, 146.54, 133.76, 133.34, 130.41, 128.84, 124.60, 40.43, 31.57, 29.32, 26.68, 22.67, 14.14. HRMS (TOF, ES+) C₁₃H₁₈N₂O₃ [M+H]⁺ calc. mass 251.1390, found 251.2389.



Compound **28** was prepared according to the general procedure and was purified by flash column chromatography (30–40% ethyl acetate in hexanes, $R_f = 0.28$ in 40% ethyl acetate) to afford the product (30 mg, 86%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.01 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 5.98 (t, J = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 3.41 (q, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 1.60 (p, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 1.25 (m, 16H), 0.87 (t, J = 6.7 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 166.55, 146.57, 133.74, 133.36, 130.40, 128.85, 124.60, 40.45, 32.04, 29.83, 29.73, 29.68, 29.47, 29.42, 29.38, 27.04, 22.81, 14.24. HRMS (TOF, ES+) C₁₈H₂₈N₂O₃ [M+H]⁺ calc. mass 321.2173, found 321.2172.



Compound **29** was prepared according to the general procedure and was purified by flash column chromatography (30–40% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford the product (54 mg, 90%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.02 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (td, J = 7.5, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (td, J = 7.9, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (dd, J = 7.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 5.85 (s, 1H), 5.50 (s, 1H), 3.52 (td, J = 6.8, 5.5 Hz, 2H), 2.25 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.02–1.92 (m, 4H), 1.69 – 1.59 (m, 2H), 1.58–1.51 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 166.42, 146.65, 134.49, 133.76, 133.29, 130.47, 128.86, 124.64, 124.00, 37.88, 37.34, 27.94, 25.36, 22.90, 22.44. HRMS (TOF, ES+) C₁₅H₁₈N₂O₃ [M+H]⁺ calc. mass 275.1390, found 275.1389.

Biological assay protocols and data.

Strain or plasmid	Relevant properties ^a	Ref.
E. coli		
JLD271	K-12 ΔlacX74 sdiA271::Cam; Cl ^R	1
Plasmids		
pSC11	Broad host range <i>lasI'-lacZ</i> reporter; Ap ^R	2
pJN105L	Arabinose-inducible expression vector for <i>lasR</i> ; pBBRMCS backbone; Gm ^R	3

Table S-1. Bacterial strains and plasmids used in this study.

^{*a*} Abbreviations: Cl^R, chloramphenicol resistance; Ap^R, Ampicillin resistance; Gm^R, gentamicin resistance.

General considerations and conditions for E. coli LasR reporter.

All standard biological reagents were purchased from Sigma-Aldrich or Gold Biotechnology and used according to enclosed instructions. Buffers and solutions for Miller absorbance assays in *E. coli* (Z buffer, 0.1% aqueous sodium dodecyl sulfate (SDS), and phosphate buffer) were prepared as previously described.¹ Water (18 M Ω) was purified using a Millipore Feed System.

The bacterial strain and plasmids used in this study are listed in Table S-1. Freezer stocks of bacteria were maintained at -80 °C in Luria-Bertani (LB) medium and 20–50% glycerol. Bacterial overnight cultures were inoculated with single colonies that were isolated by streaking a freezer stock on an LB/agar (1.5%) plate with appropriate antibiotic supplements.

Unless otherwise noted, bacteria were grown in a standard laboratory incubator at 37 °C with shaking (200 rpm) in LB medium (autoclave-sterilized). *E. coli* overnight cultures were grown in 13 mm x 100 mm test tubes or Erlenmeyer flasks. *E. coli* subcultures were grown in Erlenmeyer flasks. To minimize growth effects in 96-well plates, the following precautions were taken: (i) To reduce media evaporation, plates were incubated in stacks with "dummy plates" (containing sterile water in all wells) positioned on the top and bottom. Stacks of plates were placed in plastic containers to reduce air circulation. (ii) To reduce variation in ambient temperature, plates (including "dummy plates") were never stacked higher than six-fold.

E. coli LasR reporter assay protocol.

To evaluate the modulatory activities of library compounds on LasR heterologously expressed in *E. coli*, the strain JLD271 harboring plasmids pSC11 and pJN105L was grown overnight. The overnight culture was diluted 1:10 in fresh LB medium supplemented with 100 μ g/mL ampicillin and 10 μ g/mL gentamicin. An appropriate amount of test compound stock solution (or OdDHL stock solution for the positive control) in DMSO was added to clear 96-well microtiter plates (Costar 3370), with final DMSO concentrations not exceeding 1%. Once the subculture grew to an OD₆₀₀ of ~0.25, arabinose was added to a final concentration of 4 mg/mL to induce LasR expression from the plasmid pJN105L. *For agonism assays*, the subculture was dispensed in 200- μ L portions into each compound-treated well of the microtiter plate. *For antagonism assays*, the subculture was then dispensed in 200- μ L portions into each compound-treated well of the microtiter plate. Subculture containing 1% DMSO and no added OdDHL was used as a control to mimic fully inhibited LasR. The plates were incubated with shaking for 4 h.

The cultures were assayed for β -galactosidase activity following the Miller assay method, optimized for microtiter plates.⁴ The OD₆₀₀ of each well was recorded, and 50-µL aliquots from each well were transferred to the wells of a solvent-resistant 96-well microtiter plate (Costar 3879) containing 200 µL Z-buffer, 8 µL CHCl₃, and 4 µL 0.1% aqueous SDS. Cells were lysed by aspirating and dispensing the mixtures 30 times with a 12-channel pipettor, after which the CHCl₃ was allowed to settle. A 100-µL aqueous aliquot from each well was transferred to a fresh clear-bottom 96-well microtiter plate. At t = 0 min, the assay was initiated by adding 20 µL of substrate, *ortho*-nitrophenyl- β -galactoside (ONPG; 4 mg/mL in phosphate buffer), to each well.

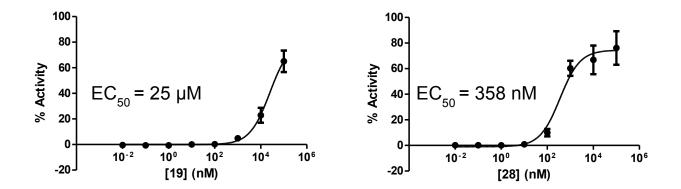
This mixture was incubated at 30 °C for 30 minutes, then $50-\mu$ L aliquots of a 1 M Na₂CO₃ solution was added to each well, terminating the reaction.

Absorbances at 420 and 550 nm were measured for each well using a plate reader. Miller units were calculated using the following formula: $1000 \times (A420 - (1.75 \times A550)) \times ((Time ONPG incubated with lysate in minutes)^{-1} \times (Volume of culture lysed in mL)^{-1} \times OD_{600}^{-1})$. In all assays, the Miller units were background-corrected relative to wells of LasR reporter subculture containing only 1% DMSO (no compound added). In agonism assays, the OD-normalized Miller units of each compound was reported relative to the OD-normalized fluorescence of a well containing enough OdDHL to fully activate LasR. In antagonism assays, percent activity was calculated by normalizing background-corrected Miller units to the control wells containing subculture treated with only OdDHL at its EC₇₀ value.

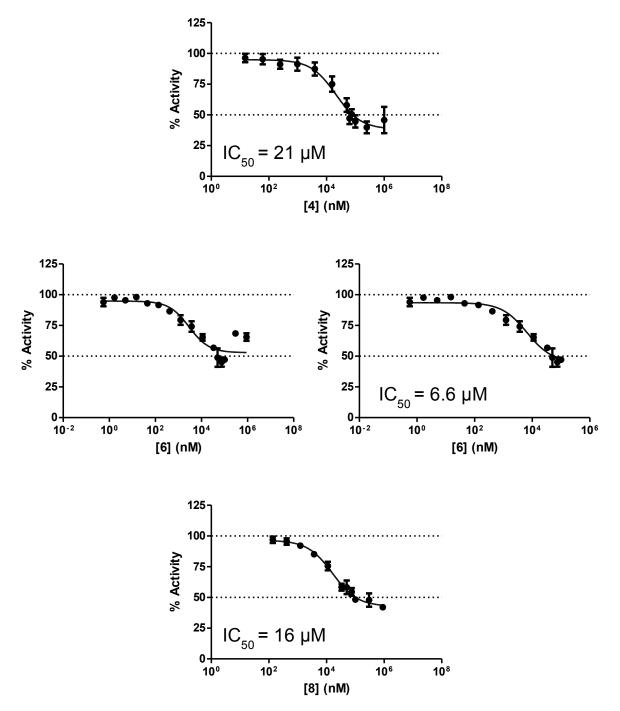
All synthetic compounds were tested in triplicate, and ≥ 3 separate trials were performed using unique cultures. EC₅₀ and IC₅₀ values, as well as respective 95% confidence intervals, were calculated using GraphPad Prism software (v. 4.0) using a sigmoidal curve fit.

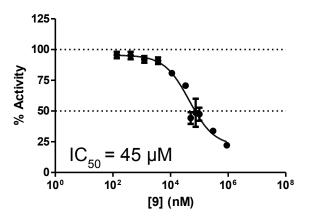
Dose response curves for hybrid compounds.

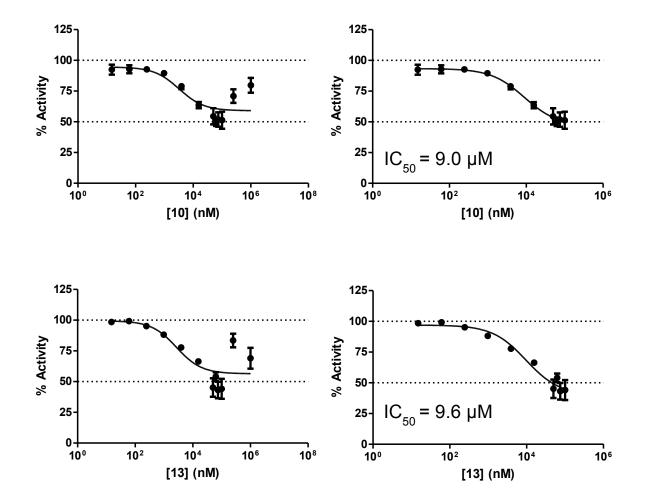
LasR agonism dose response curves and EC_{50} values for compounds **19** and **28** in the *E. coli* JLD271 reporter strain are shown below. Error bars, SEM of $n \ge 3$ trials.

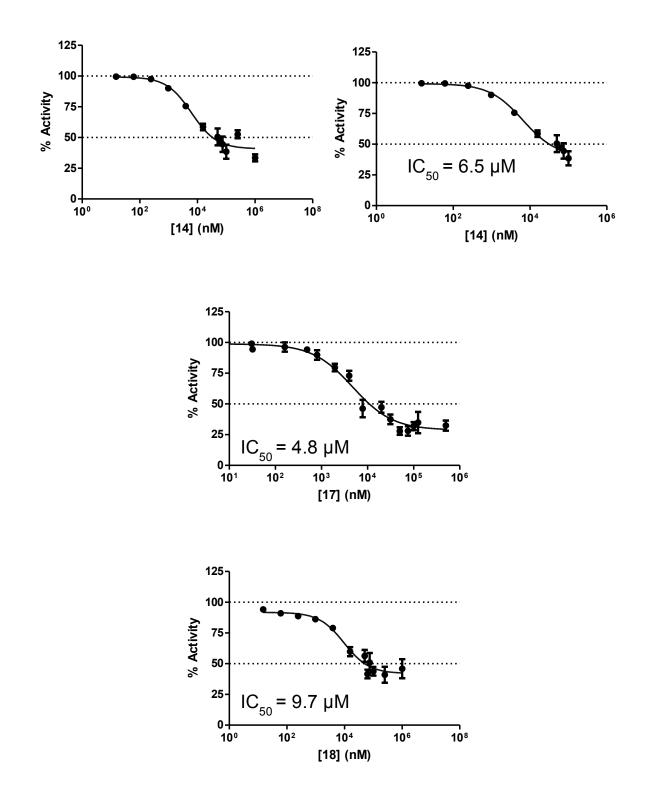


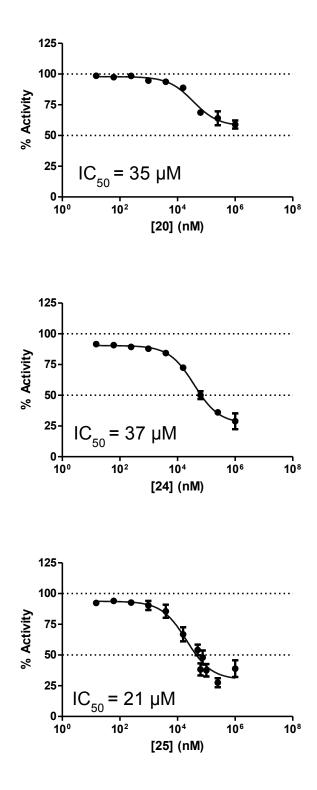
LasR antagonism dose response curves and IC_{50} values for active hybrid compounds in the *E. coli* JLD271 reporter strain are shown below. In the case where non-monotonic behavior was observed, two curves are shown; the left curve incorporates all data points measured, while the right curve incorporates only data points where LasR inhibition was noted. Compounds were screened against 5 nM OdDHL. IC_{50} values were calculated from the plots on right. Error bars, SEM of $n \ge 3$ trials.

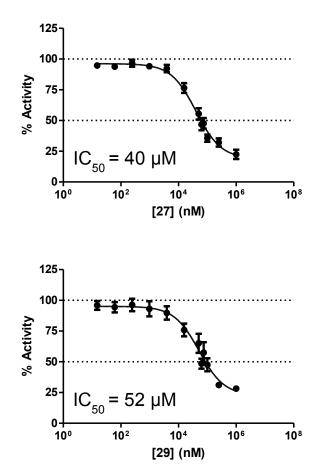






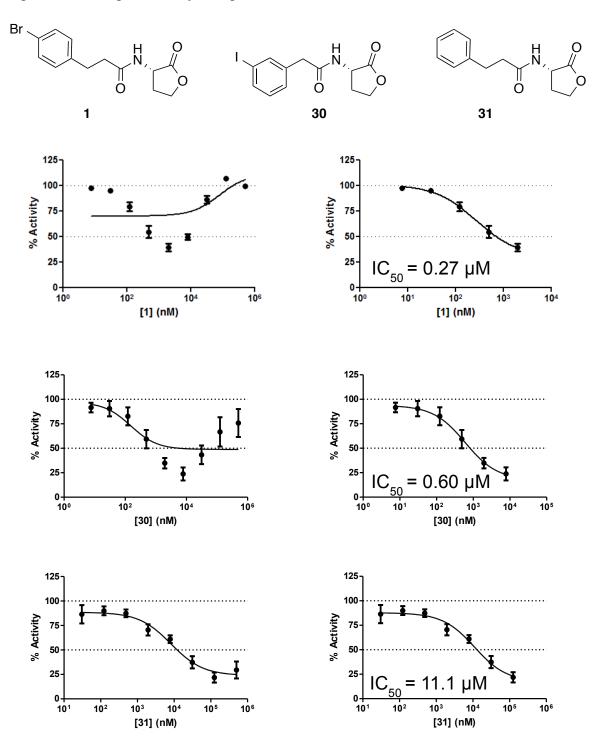






Dose response curves for AHL congeners.

LasR antagonism dose response curves for AHLs 1, 30, and 31 are provided below. Methods to obtain these dose curves and IC_{50} values are analogous to those for the hybrid compounds above. Two curves are shown for each AHL; the left curve incorporates all data points measured, while the right curve incorporates only data points where LasR inhibition was noted.



Compound stability studies.

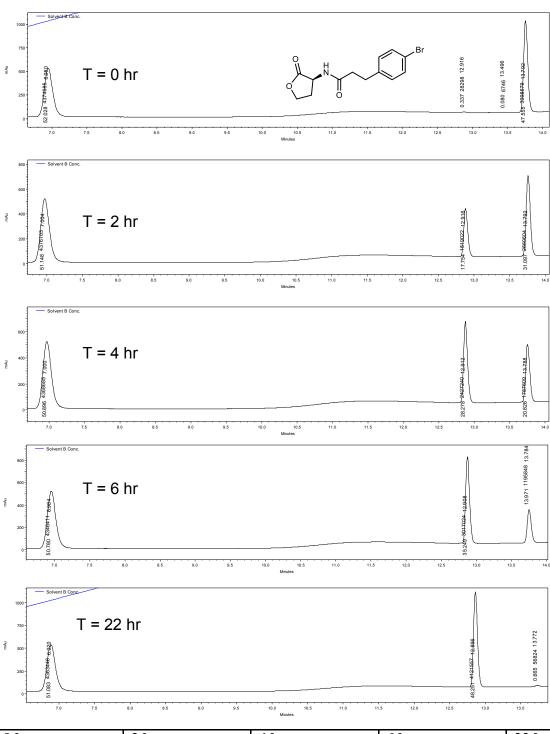
HPLC instrumentation and method.

A Shimadzu high performance liquid chromatograph (HPLC) equipped with an analytical Gemini C18 column (5 μ m, 4.6 mm x 250 mm, 110 Å) and a UV-vis diode array detector was used to study compound decomposition. Standard HPLC conditions were as follows: flow rate = 1 mL/min; mobile phase A = 18 MQ water + 0.1% trifluoroacetic acid; mobile phase B = acetonitrile + 0.1% TFA. For all compounds, the method was as follows: (i) start with isocratic 15% B (3 minutes), (ii) followed by a linear gradient from 15% to 95% B (6 minutes), and (iii) end with isocratic 95% B (6 minutes).

Protocol for determining compound stability.

To evaluate the aqueous stabilities of the AHL-based and hybrid LasR modulators, compounds 1, 14, 17, and 30 were dissolved in 2-(*N*-morpholino)ethanesulfonic acid (MES) buffer at pH 6, tris(hydroxymethyl)aminomethane (TRIS) buffer at pH 7, or TRIS buffer at pH 8 to a concentration of 50 μ M (0.5% DMSO). These solutions were placed in a 37 °C incubator with shaking, and 150 μ L aliquots were taken at time = 0 and (approximately) every two hours thereafter. The aliquots were immediately injected onto an HPLC, and the area under the curve (AUC) at 220 nm was compared at each time-point to measure compound decomposition. Caffeine (50 μ M) was added to the samples at time = 0. This compound served as an internal standard that maintained the same AUC throughout the assay (error $\leq 1-5\%$). The chromatograms below show each compound at each time-point at the three different pH values. Throughout all trials, the peak at 7 minutes corresponds to caffeine, while the peak at 13.5–15 minutes at time = 0 corresponds to the compound of interest. At pH 8, caffeine's AUC varied less than 1%. At pH 7, caffeine's AUC varied less than 3%. At pH 6, caffeine's AUC varied less than 5%.

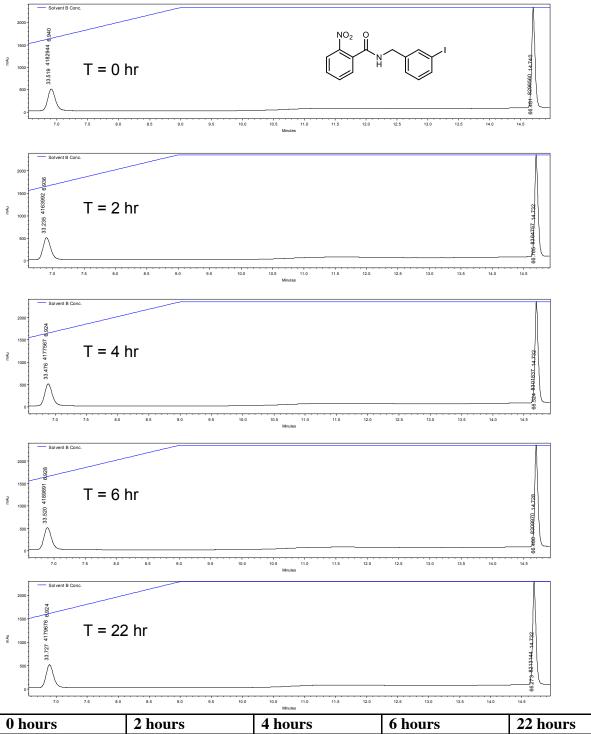
HPLC traces indicating compound stability.



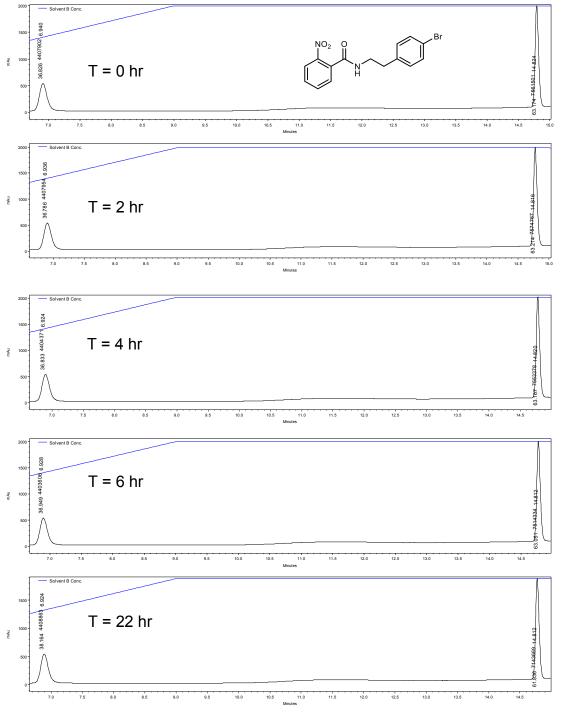
Compound 1 at pH 8.

0 hours	2 hours	4 hours	6 hours	22 hours
100%	67%	45%	40%	1%

Compound **14** at pH 8.

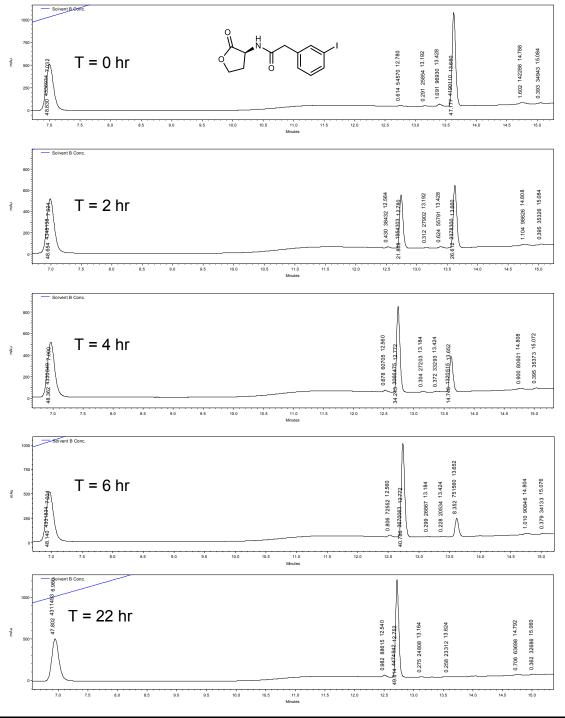


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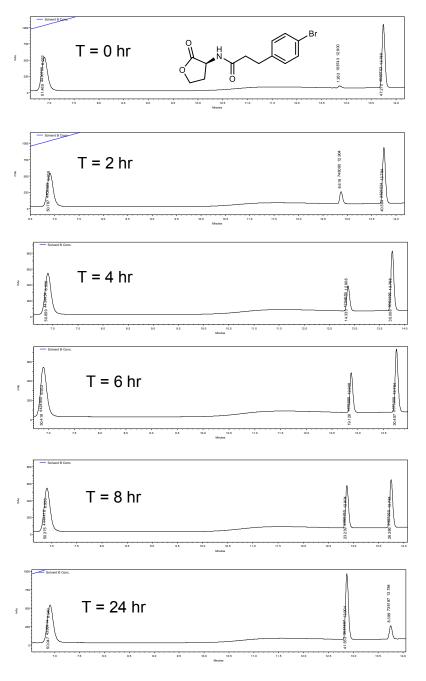
0 hours	2 hours	4 hours	6 hours	22 hours
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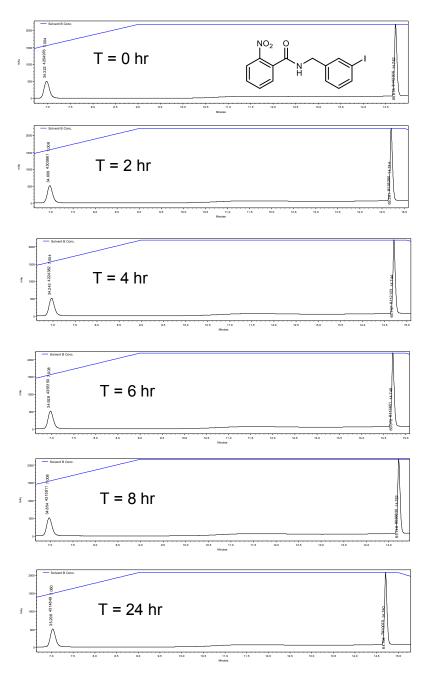
0 hours	2 hours	4 hours	6 hours	22 hours
100%	57%	32%	18%	0%

Compound **1** at pH 7.



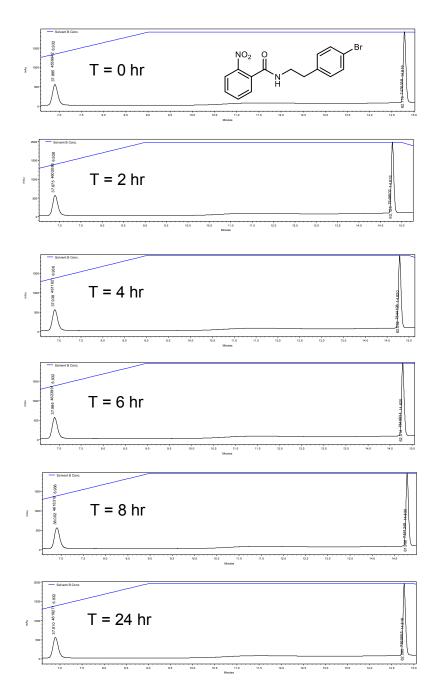
0 hours	2 hours	4 hours	6 hours	8 hours	24 hours
100%	86%	75%	66%	57%	18%

Compound **14** at pH 7.



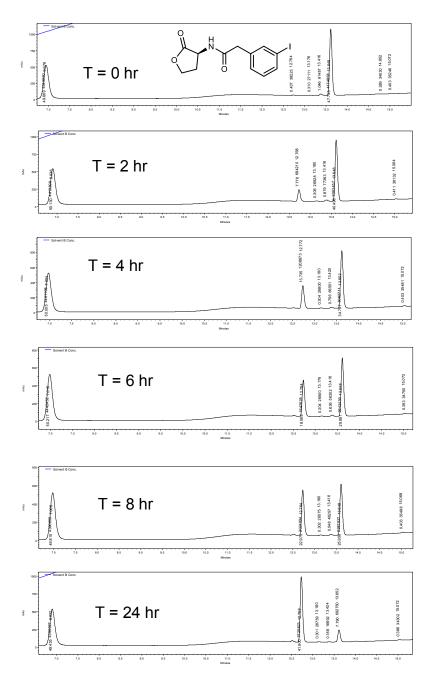
0 hours	2 hours	4 hours	6 hours	8 hours	24 hours
100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	97%

Compound **17** at pH 7.



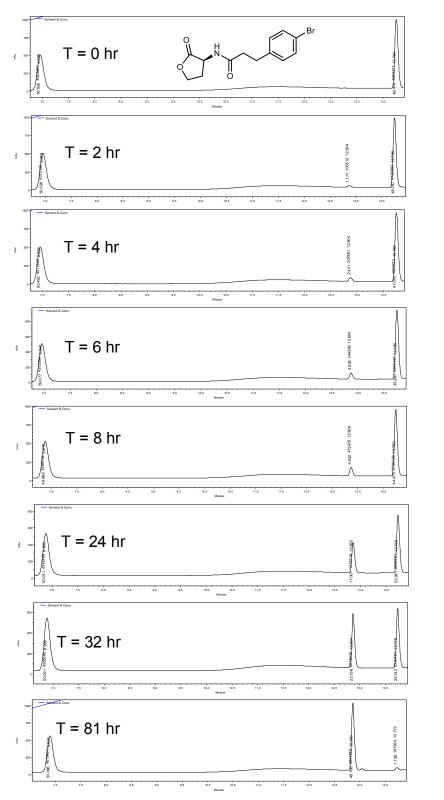
0 hours	2 hours	4 hours	6 hours	8 hours	24 hours
100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Compound **30** at pH 7.



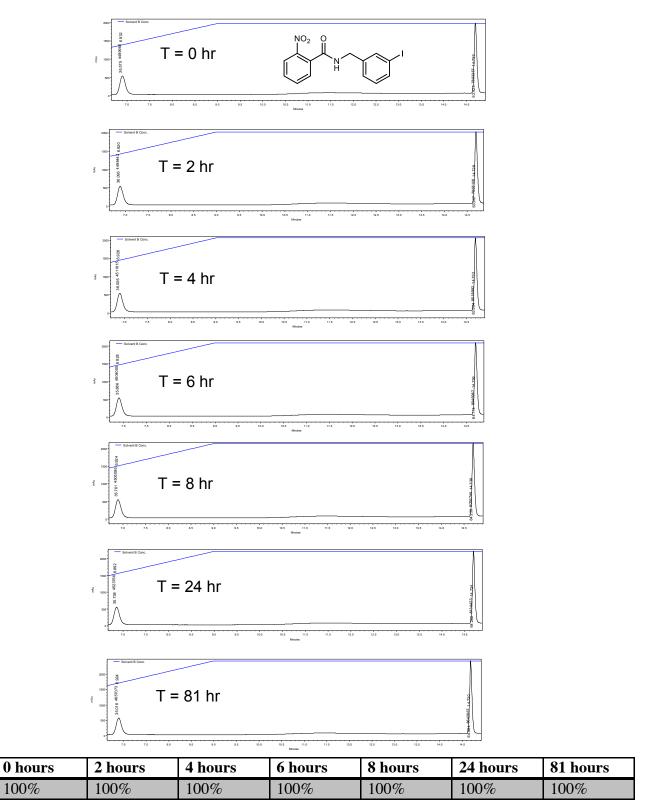
0 hours	2 hours	4 hours	6 hours	8 hours	24 hours
100%	85%	73%	63%	54%	17%

Compound **1** at pH 6.

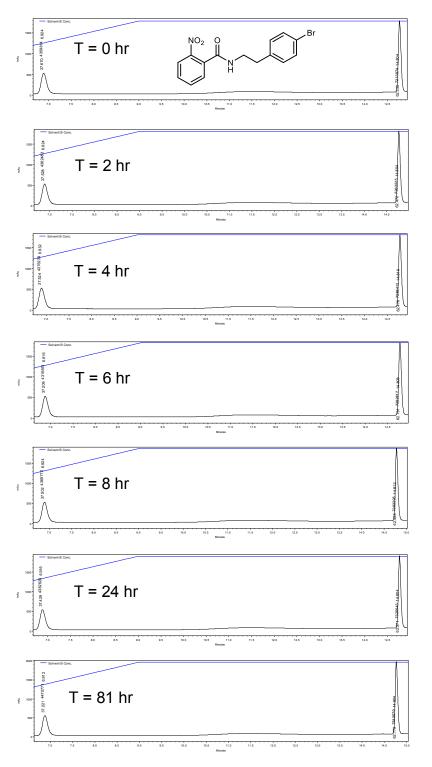


0 hours	2 hours	4 hours	6 hours	8 hours	24 hours	32 hours	81 hours
100%	97%	95%	92%	90%	67%	55%	3%

Compound **14** at pH 6.

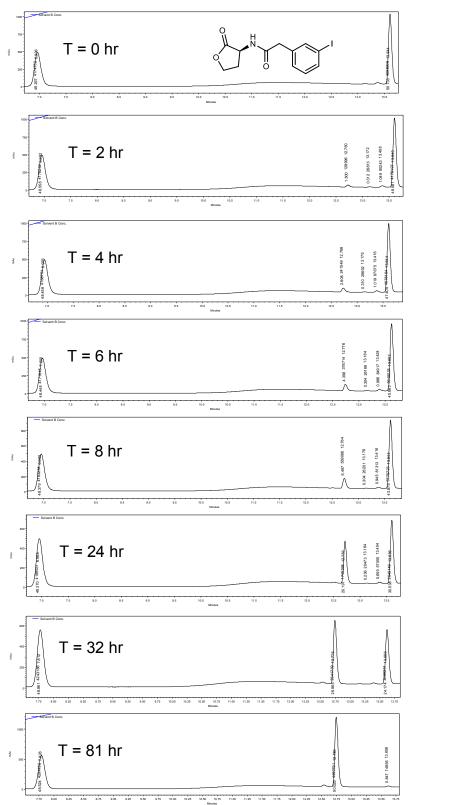


Compound **17** at pH 6.



0 hours	2 hours	4 hours	6 hours	8 hours	24 hours	81 hours
100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Compound **30** at pH 6.

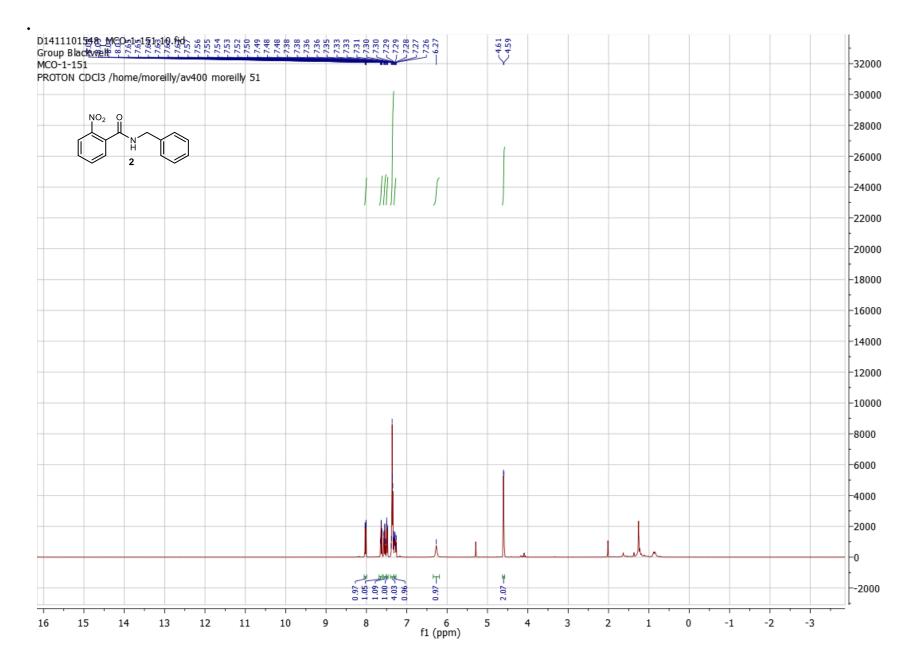


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100%	97%	95%	92%	88%	61%	49%	2%

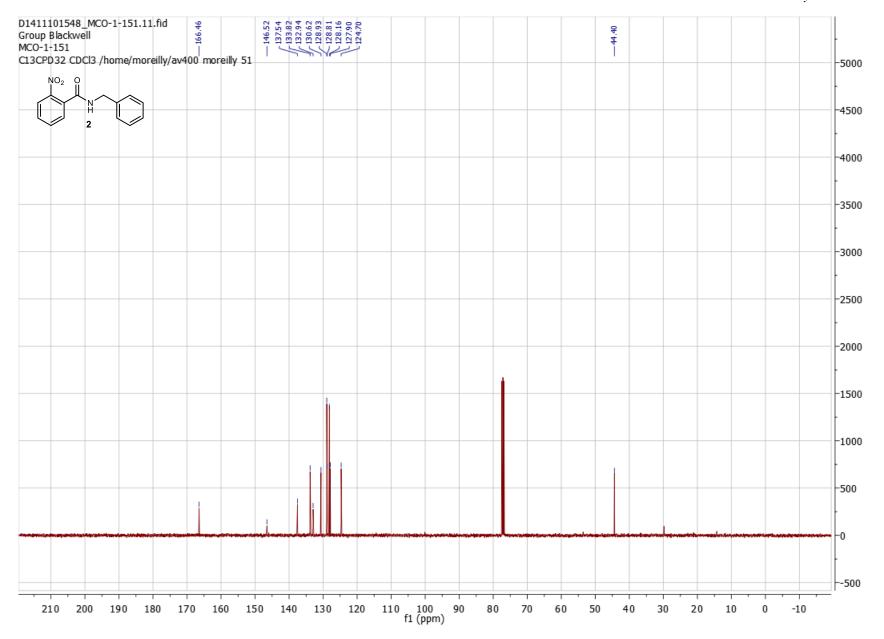
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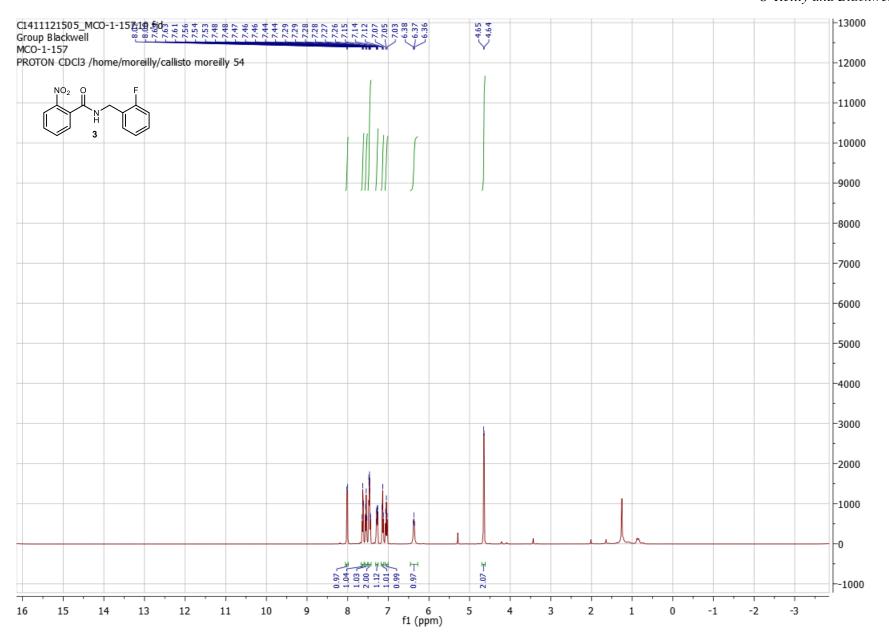
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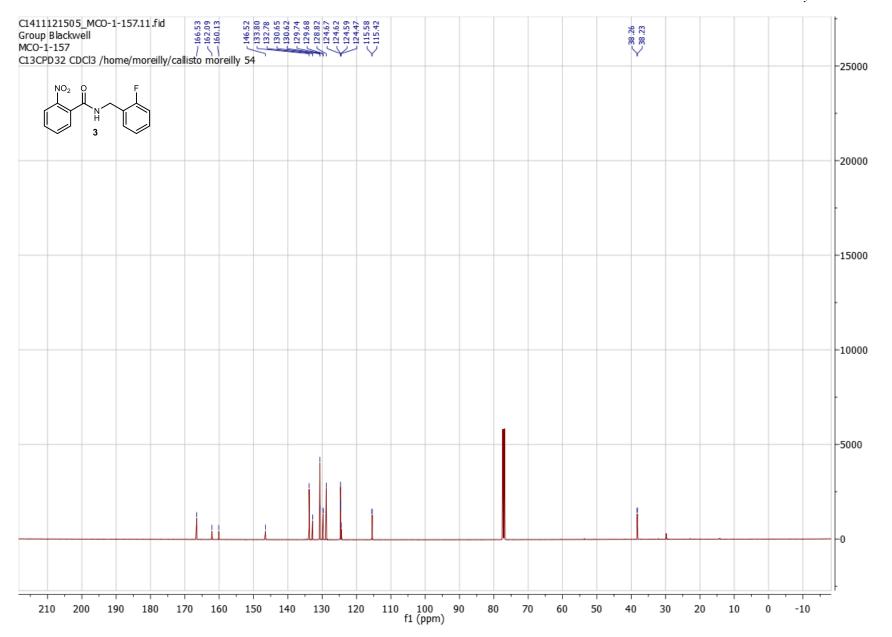


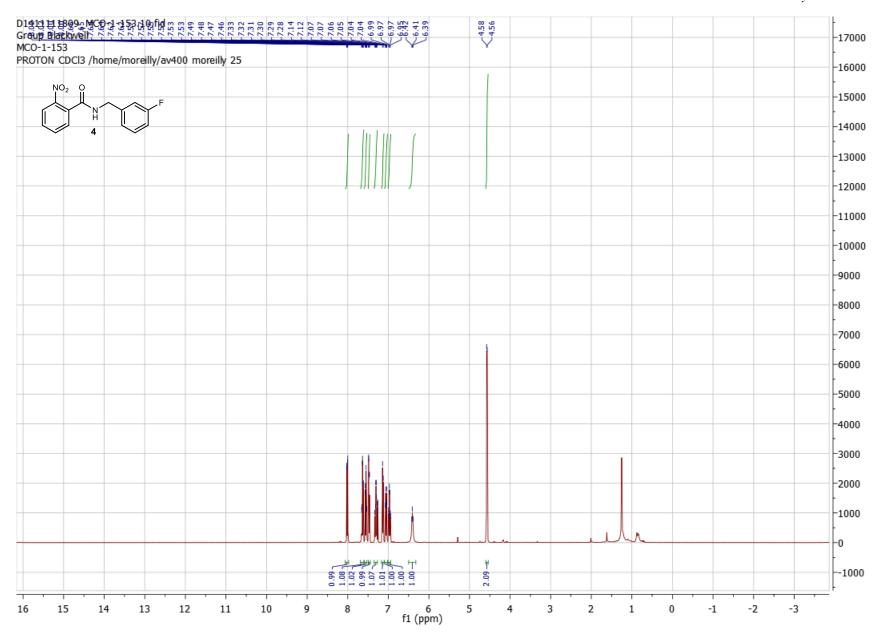
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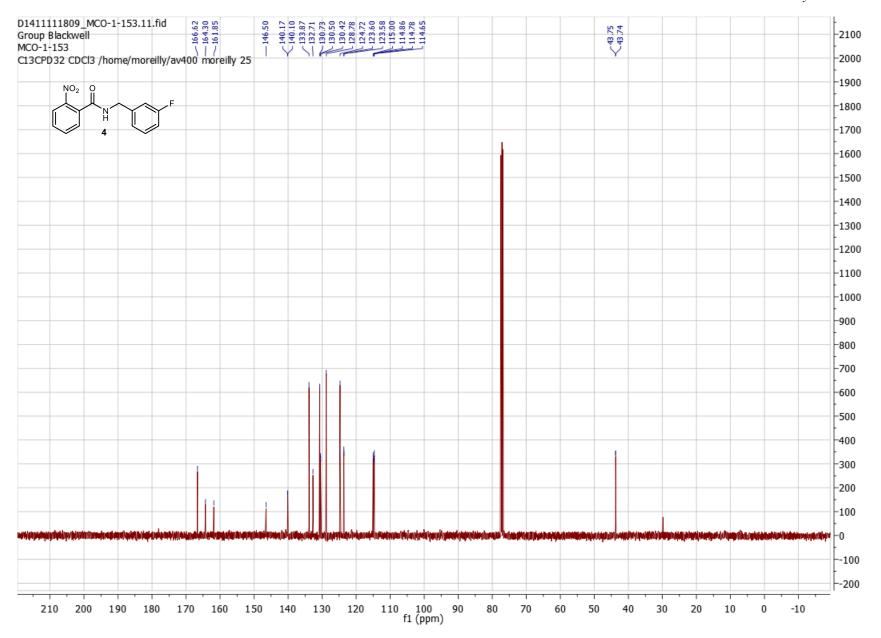


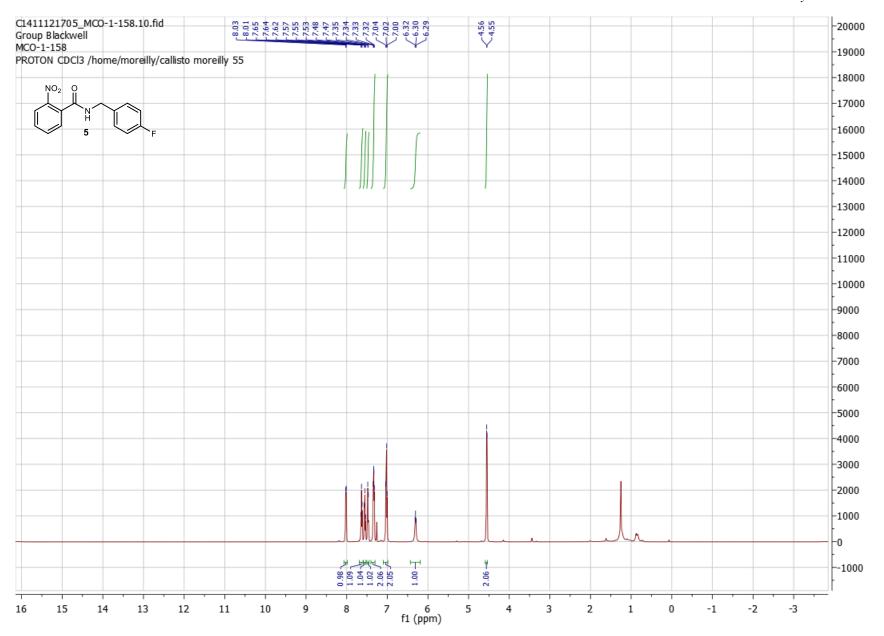
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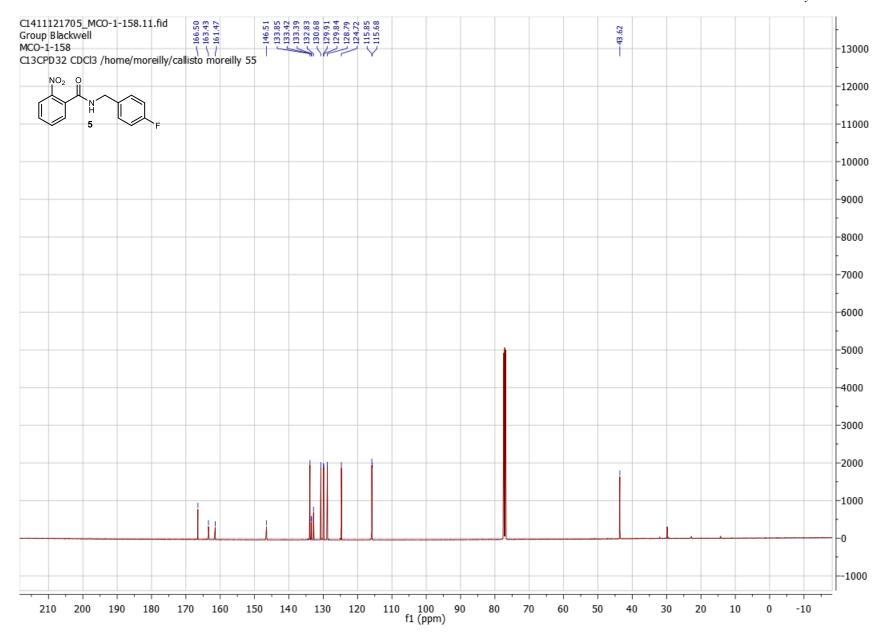


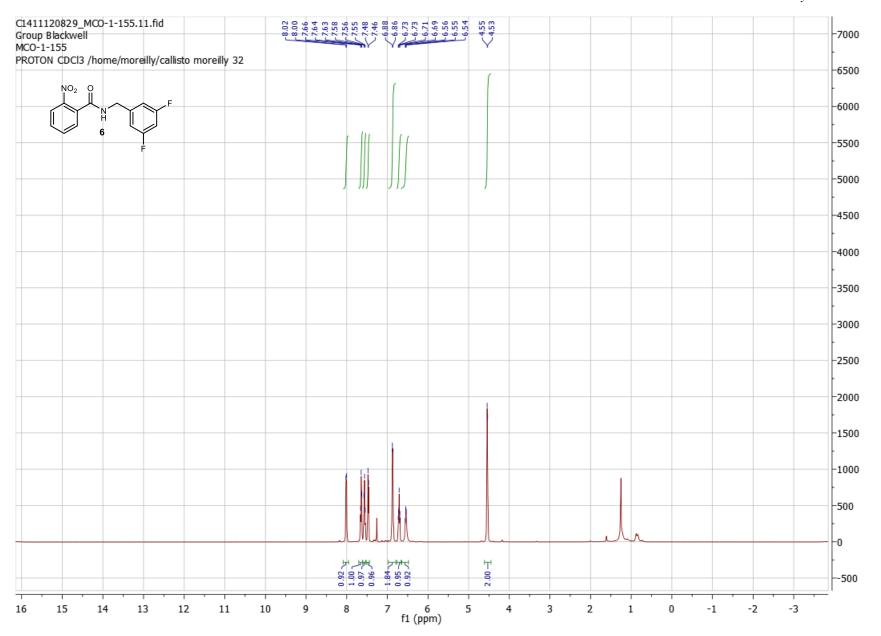


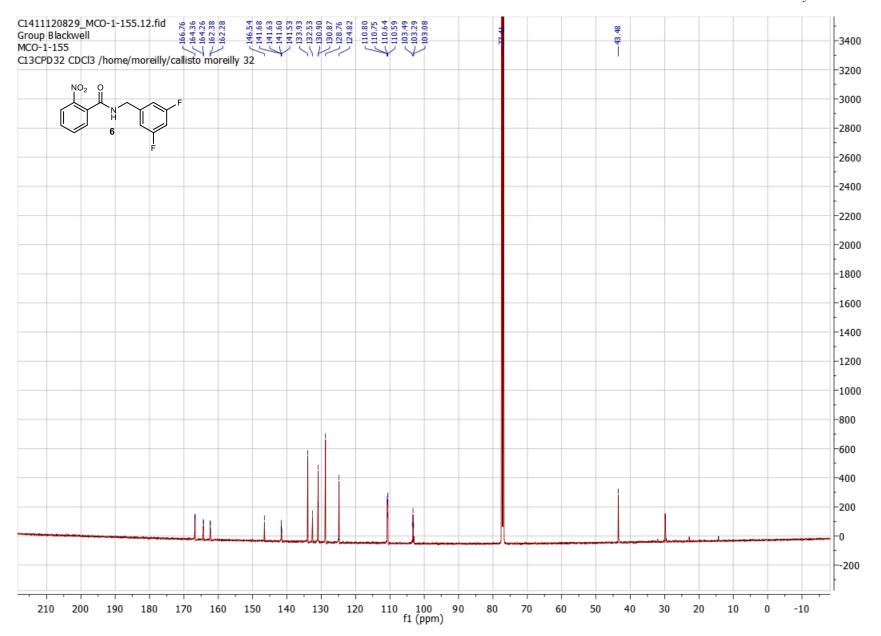


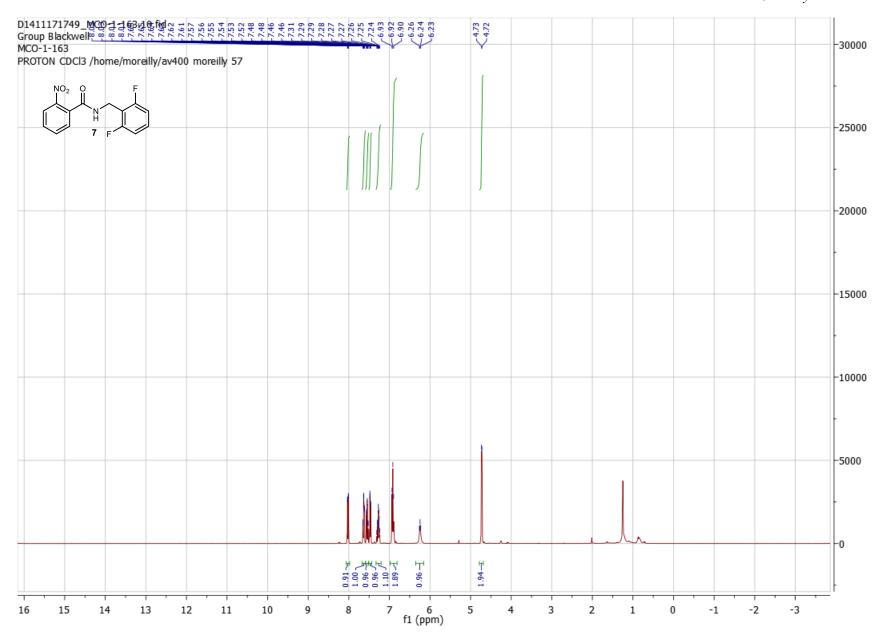


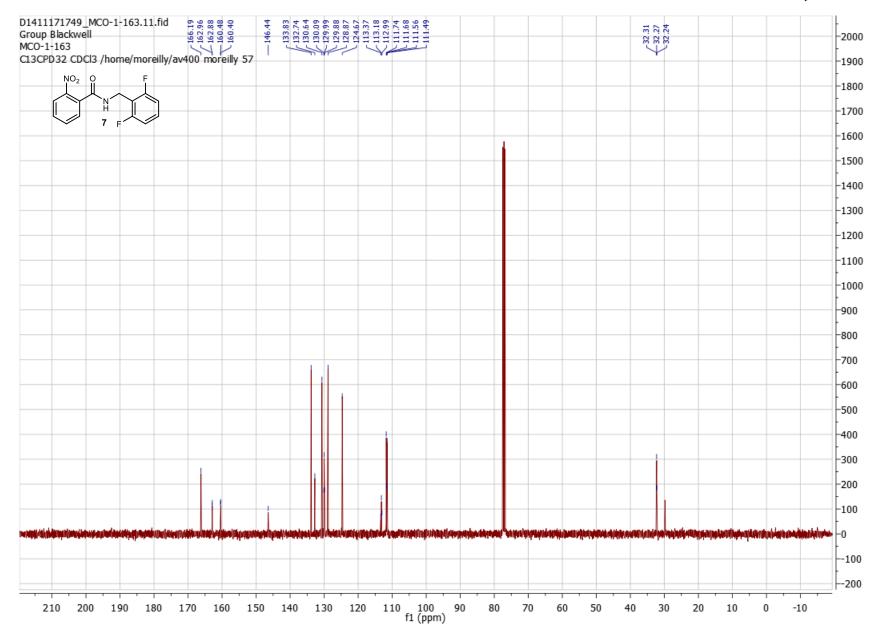


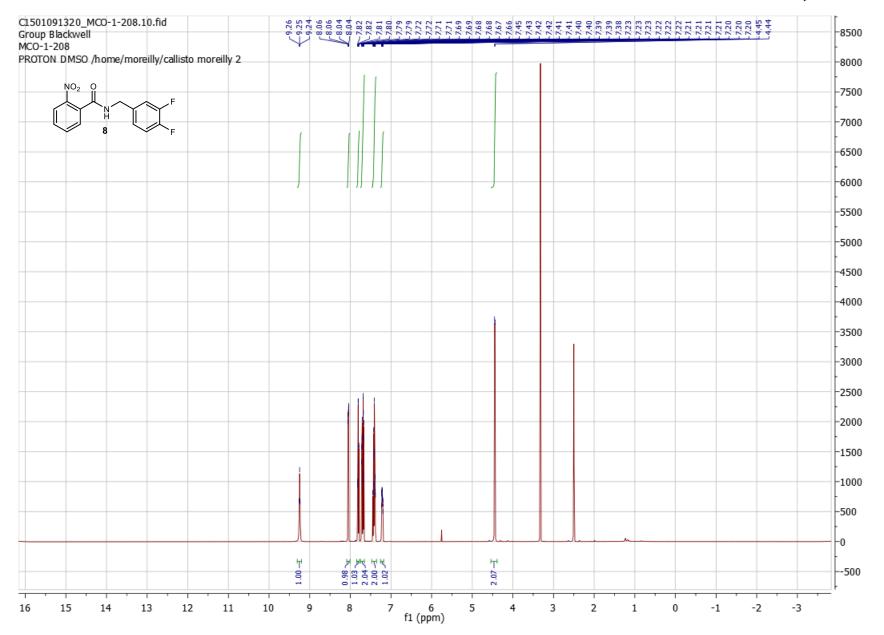


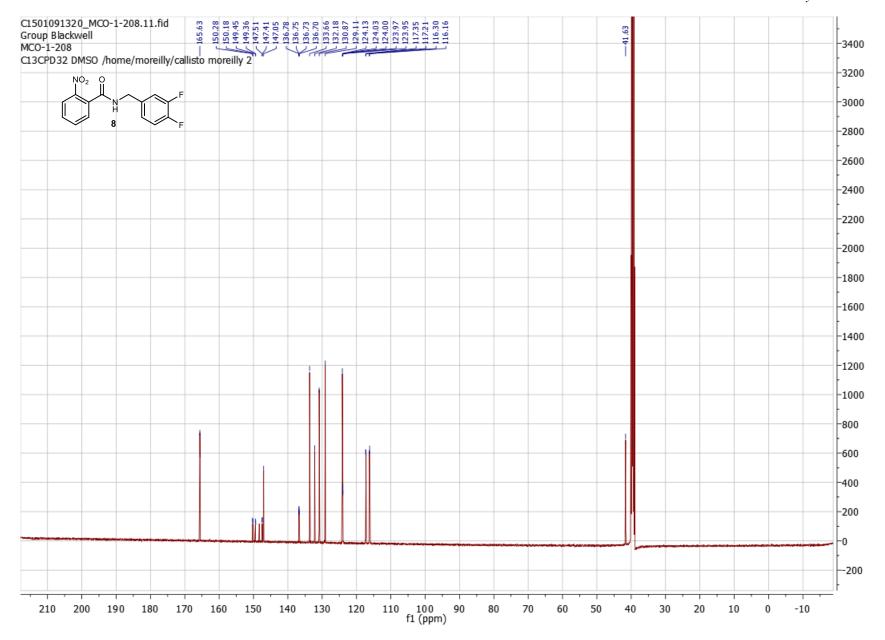


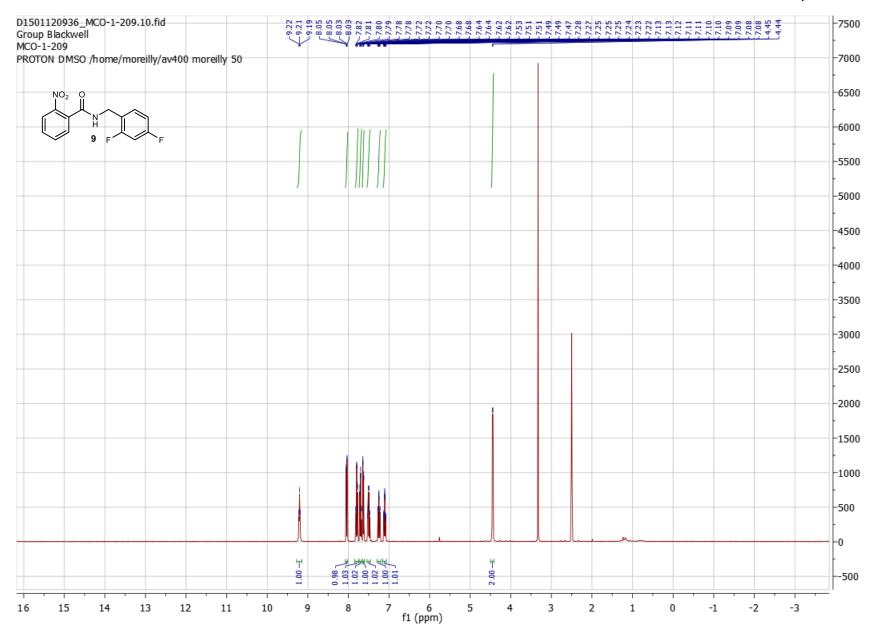


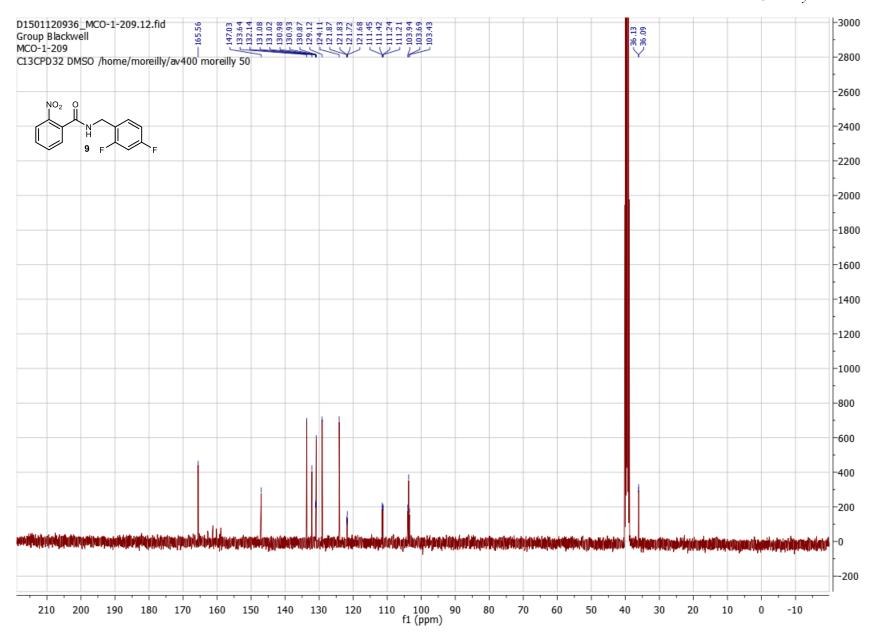


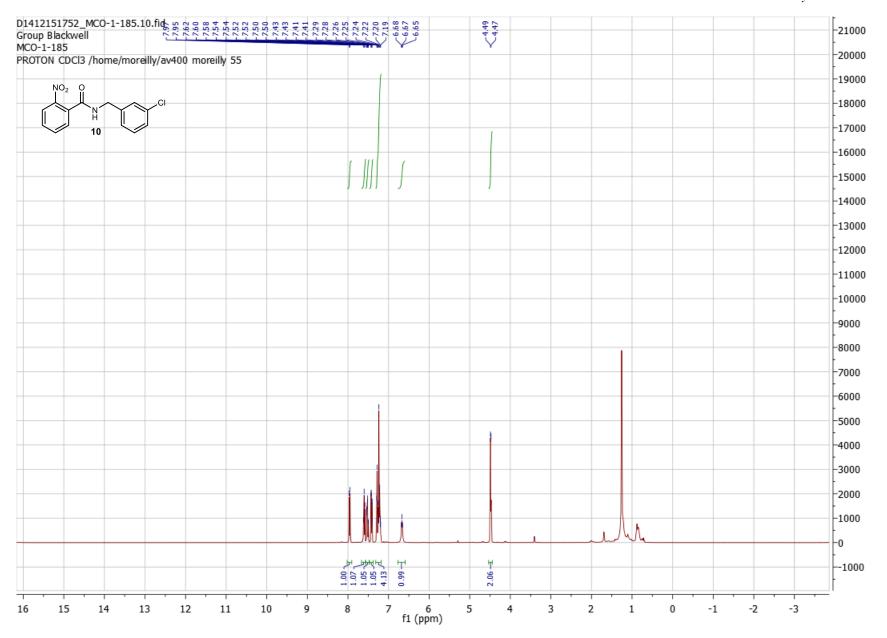


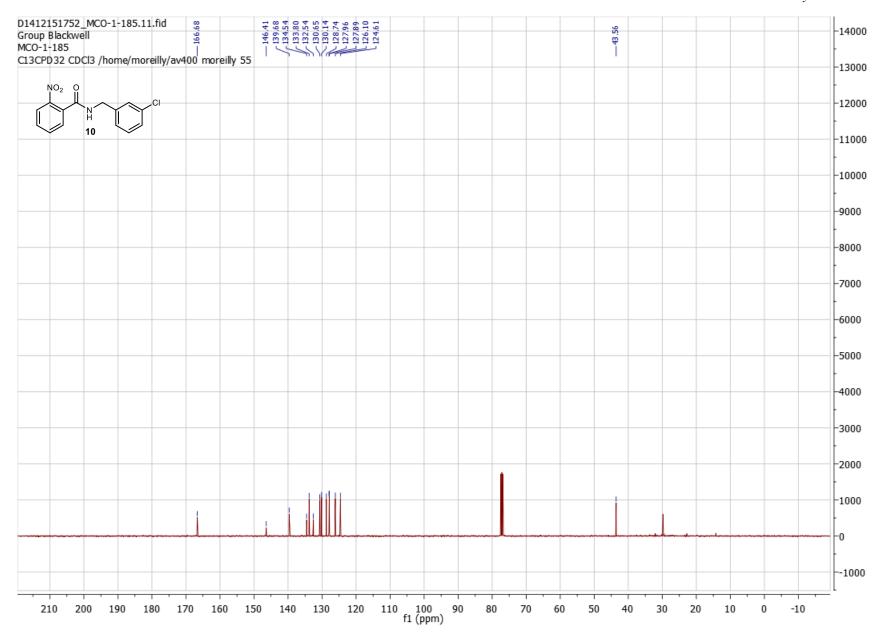


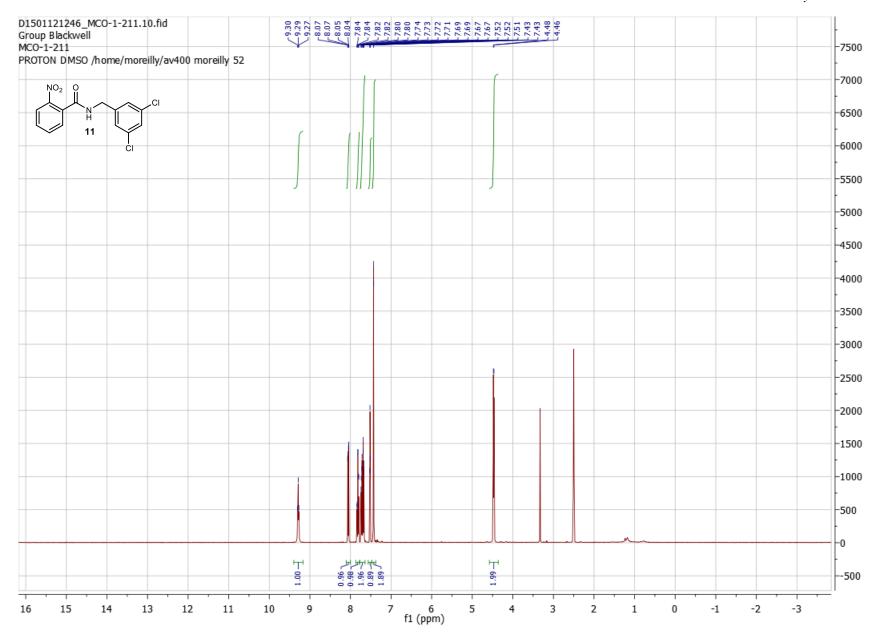


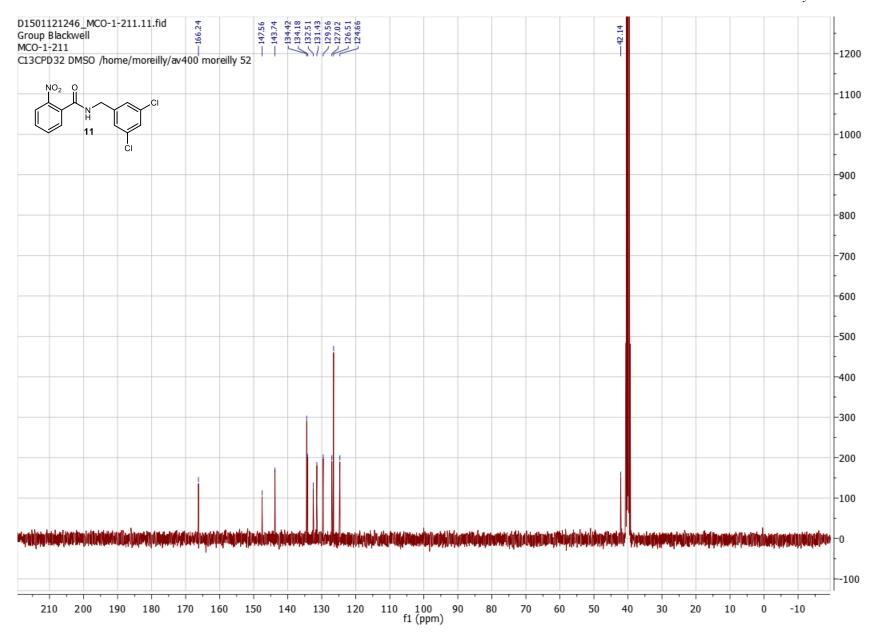


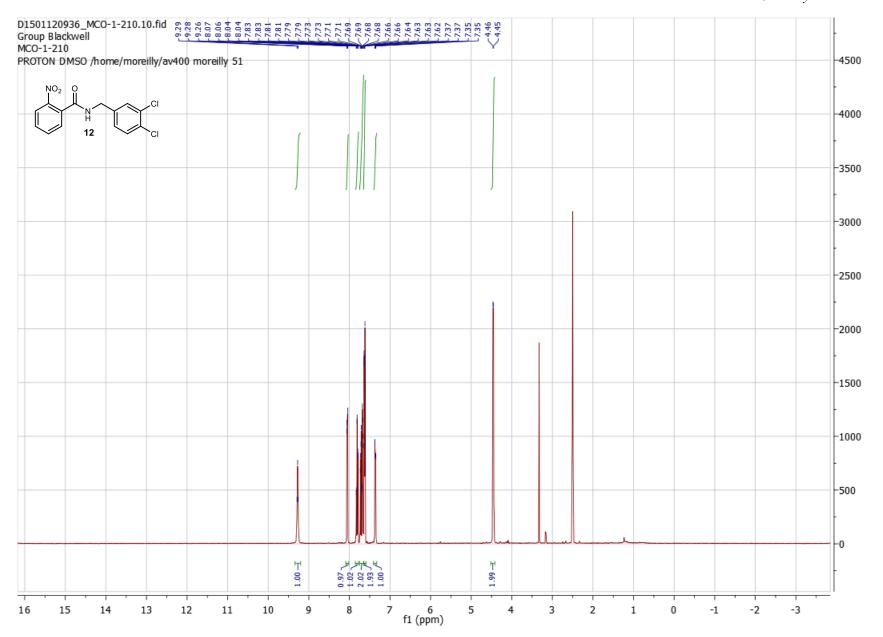


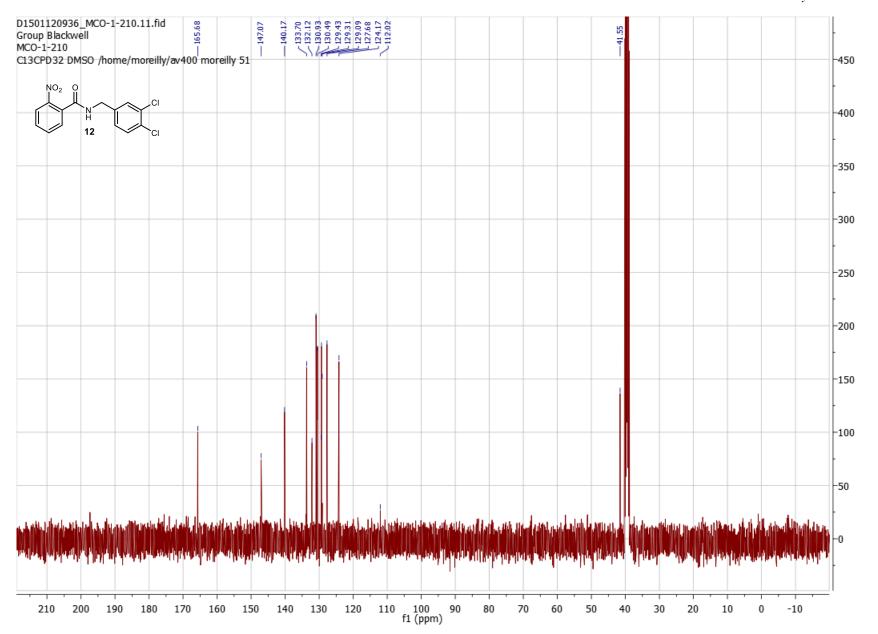


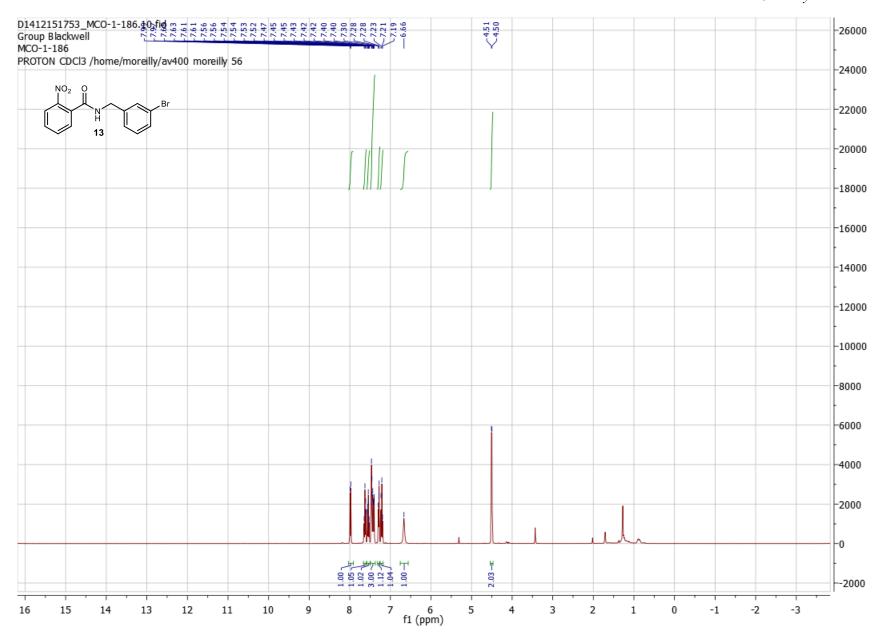


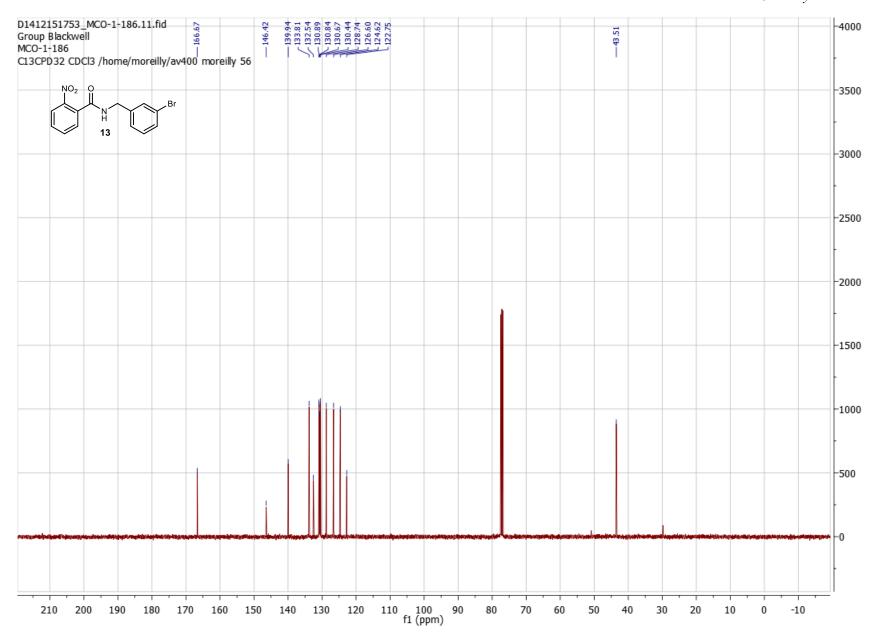




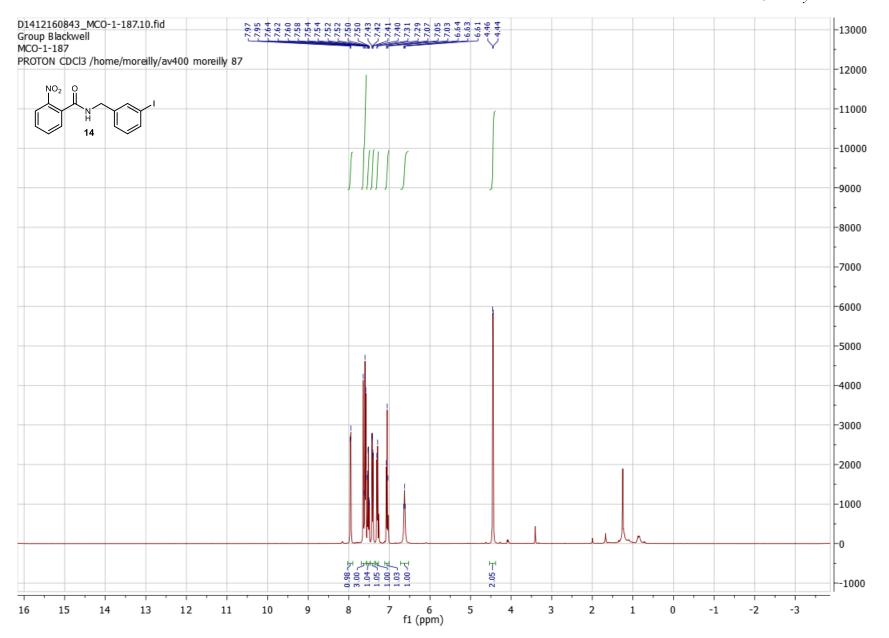


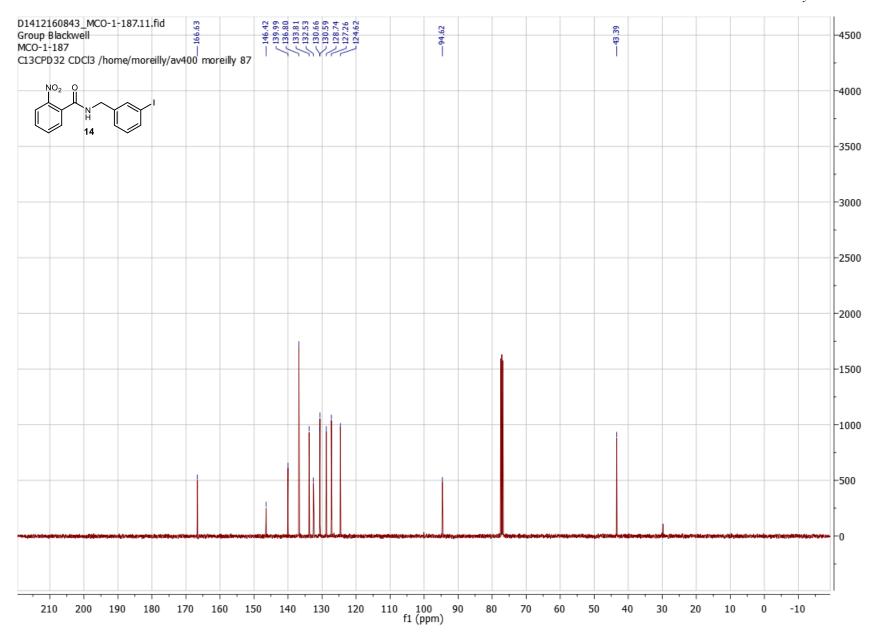


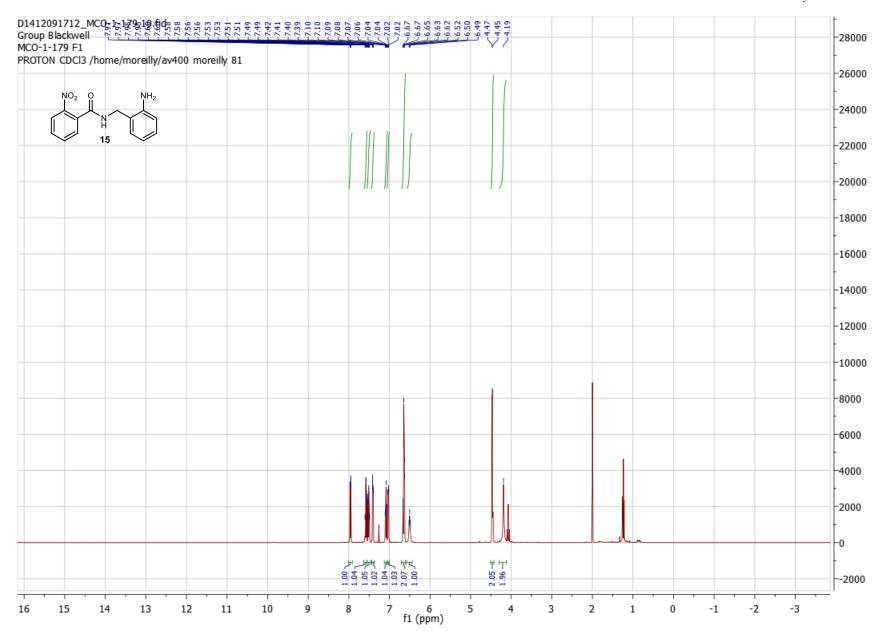


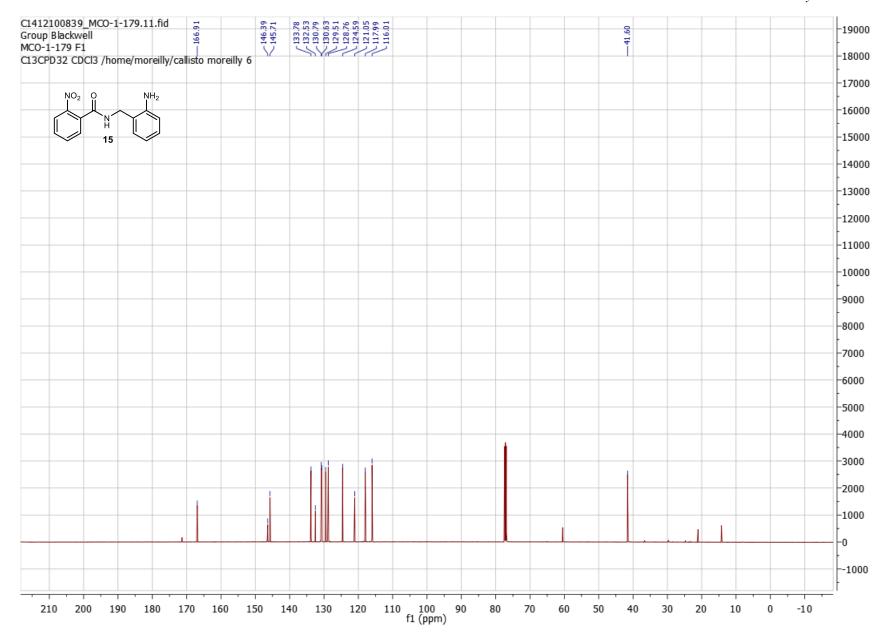


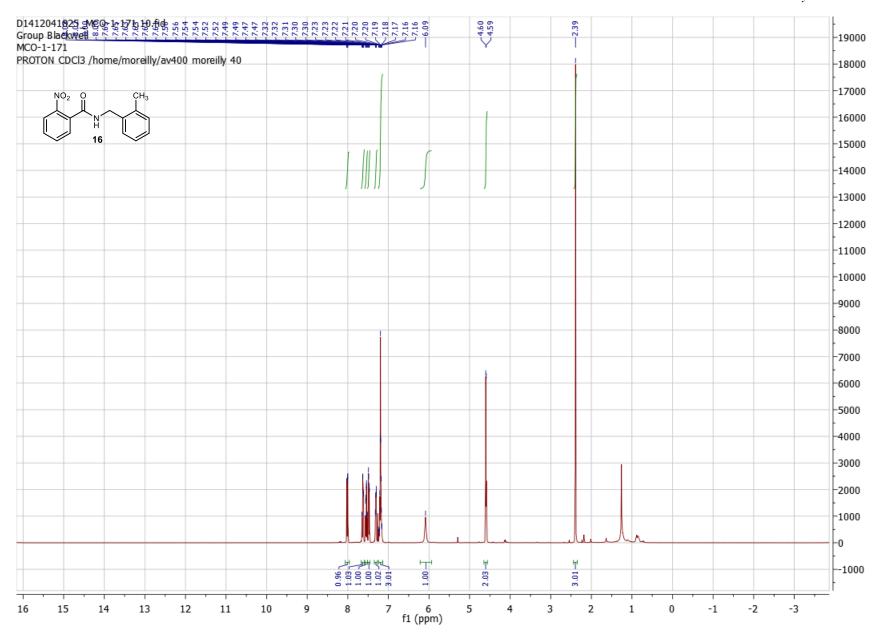
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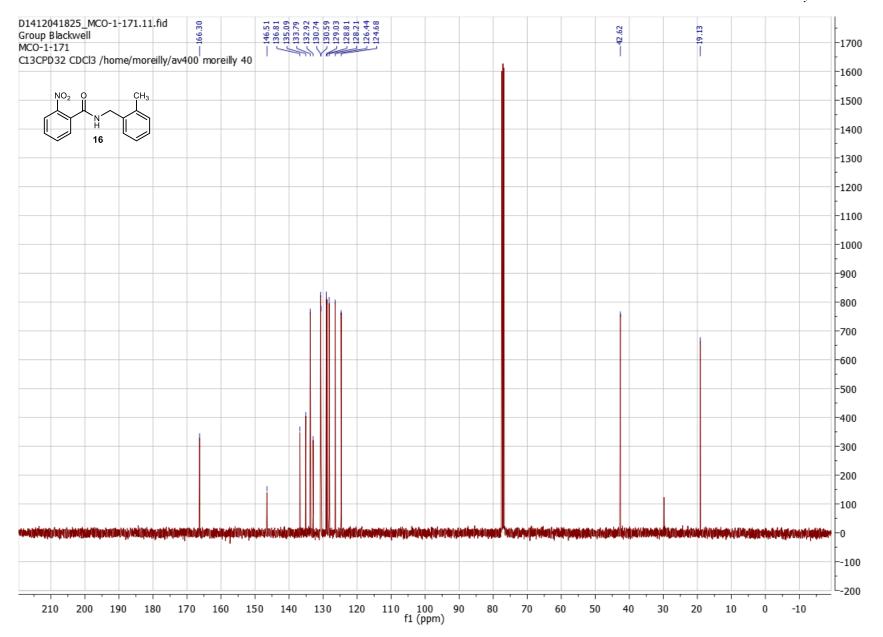


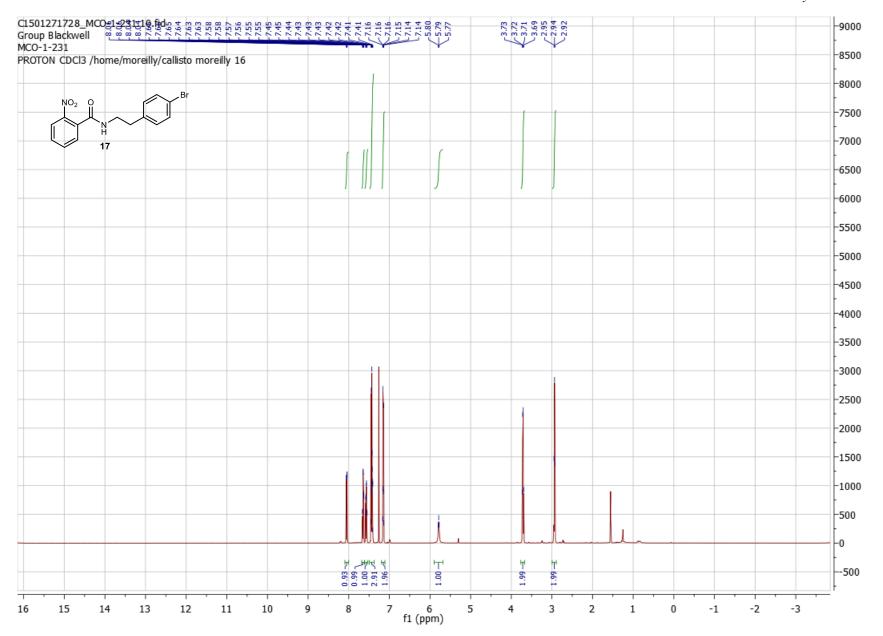


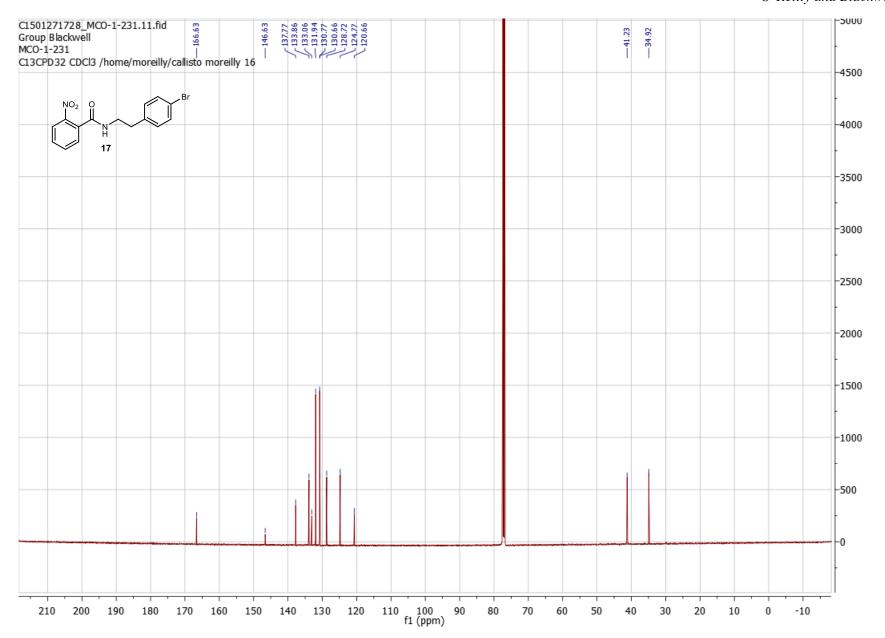


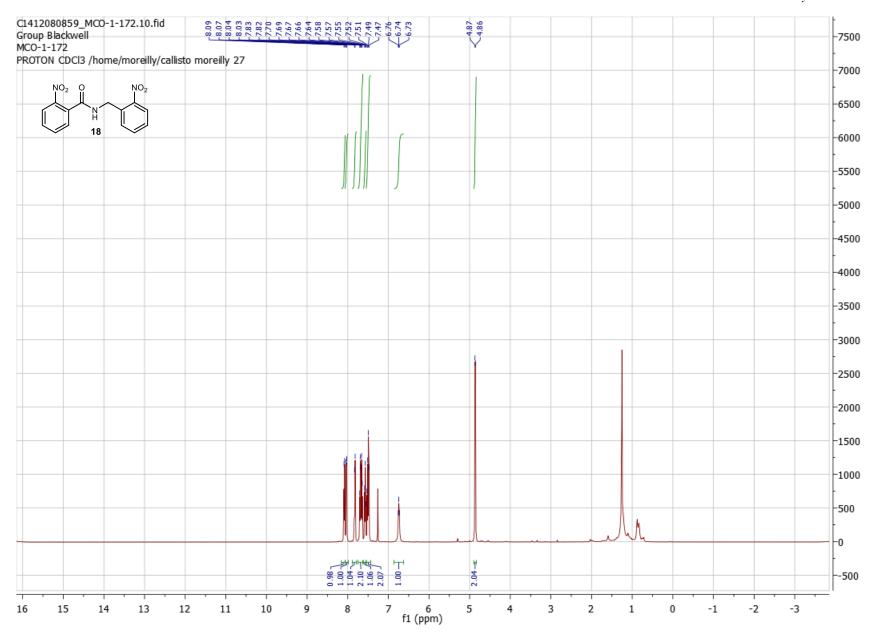












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