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Pd(II)-Catalyzed Remote Regiodivergent *ortho*- and *meta*-C–H Functionalizations of Phenylethylamines†

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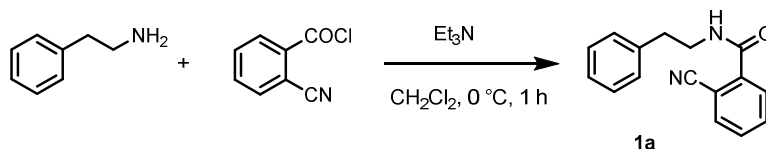
1. General Information

Unless otherwise noted, commercial available reagents were purchased from commercial suppliers (such as Strem, J&K Chemical Co., Energy Chemical and Sinopharm,), and used as received. Solvents were generally distilled over CaH₂ or dried over 3 Å molecular sieves. THF was distilled over sodium under nitrogen. Hexafluoroisopropanol (HFIP) was distilled before use. Unless otherwise noted, all reactions were run under air and the indicated reaction temperature was that of the oil bath. The reaction vessels used for C–H functionalization were 38 mL sealed tube or 50 mL Schlenk tube (Synthware). Purification of products was performed by flash chromatography (FC) using silica gel or preparative thin layer chromatography. ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker AVANCE III spectrometer (400 MHz and 101 MHz, respectively). Chemical shifts are reported parts per million (ppm) referenced to CDCl₃ (δ 7.26 ppm) for ¹H NMR, CDCl₃ (δ 77.16 ppm) for ¹³C NMR or tetramethylsilane (TMS, δ 0.00 ppm for ¹H NMR). The following abbreviations (or combinations thereof) were used to explain multiplicities: s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, hept = heptaplet, m = multiplet, and br = broad. High-resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were obtained on an AB Sciex TripleTOF 5600 LC/MS equipped with an ESI source at the Shanghai Institute of Organic Chemistry (CAS). X-Ray Crystallography data was obtained at Fujian Institute of Research on the Structure of Matter.

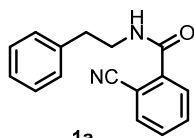
2. Experimental Section

2.1 Preparation and characterization of substrates.

General procedure for preparing substrates of remote-selective ortho-C–H bond olefination:

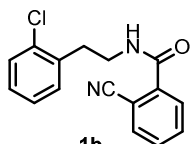


To a solution of 2-cyanobenzoic acid^{SI} (441 mg, 3.0 mmol) and DMF (10 μL) in CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL) under N₂ atmosphere was added oxalyl chloride (570 mg, 4.5 mmol) dropwise. The reaction was stirred until the solid suspension disappeared. Then the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The residue was dissolved in CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL). Then the above solution was added dropwise to a solution of 2-phenylethan-1-amine (363 mg, 3.0 mmol) and Et₃N (0.5 mL, 3.6 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL) at 0 °C. After stirring for 1 h at 0 °C, the reaction mixture was diluted with CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL) and washed with H₂O (20 mL). The organic phase was dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash silica gel chromatography with petroleum ether/EtOAc (2:1) to afford compound 2-cyano-*N*-phenethylbenzamide **1a** (607 mg, 81%).



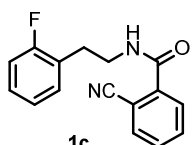
1a

2-Cyano-*N*-phenethylbenzamide: ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.81-7.67 (m, 2H), 7.63 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.55 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.38-7.30 (m, 2H), 7.30-7.21 (m, 3H), 6.24 (brs, 1H), 3.77 (dd, $J = 13.1, 6.7$ Hz, 2H), 2.99 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 165.4, 138.8, 138.6, 134.1, 132.9, 131.0, 128.9, 128.8, 128.5, 126.7, 117.6, 110.6, 41.6, 35.4; HRMS (m/z , ESI-TOF): Calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{15}\text{N}_2\text{O}^+$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}^+]$ 251.1179, found 251.1180.



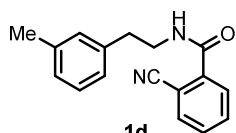
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***N*-(2-chlorophenethyl)-2-cyanobenzamide:** ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.74 (t, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.65 (td, $J = 7.7, 1.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.56 (td, $J = 7.5, 1.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.38 (dd, $J = 7.5, 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.33 (dd, $J = 7.2, 1.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.25-7.16 (m, 2H), 6.27 (brs, 1H), 3.80 (dd, $J = 13.0, 6.9$ Hz, 2H), 3.14 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 165.4, 138.7, 136.4, 134.3, 134.2, 133.0, 131.3, 131.1, 129.8, 128.6, 128.4, 127.3, 117.6, 110.7, 40.3, 33.2; HRMS (m/z , ESI-TOF): Calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{14}\text{ClN}_2\text{O}^+$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}^+]$ 285.0789, found 285.0790.



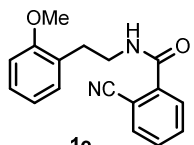
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2-Cyano-*N*-(2-fluorophenethyl)benzamide: ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.75-7.67 (m, 2H), 7.62 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.55 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.30-7.18 (m, 2H), 7.13-6.99 (m, 2H), 6.46 (brs, 1H), 3.74 (q, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 2H), 3.02 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 165.4, 161.4 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 245.4$ Hz), 138.7, 134.2, 132.9, 131.3 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 5.1$ Hz), 131.0, 128.6 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 8.1$ Hz), 128.5, 125.6 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 16.2$ Hz), 124.4 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 4.0$ Hz), 117.6, 115.5 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 22.2$ Hz), 110.7, 40.6, 29.1; HRMS (m/z , ESI-TOF): Calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{14}\text{FN}_2\text{O}^+$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}^+]$ 269.1085, found 269.1085.



1d

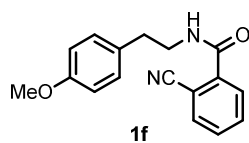
2-Cyano-*N*-(3-methylphenethyl)benzamide: ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.79-7.66 (m, 2H), 7.62 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.54 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.21 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.15-7.00 (m, 3H), 6.35 (brs, 1H), 3.73 (q, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 2H), 2.93 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2H), 2.33 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 165.3, 138.8, 138.5, 134.1, 132.9, 131.0, 129.7, 128.7, 128.6, 127.5, 125.9, 117.6, 110.6, 41.7, 35.3, 21.5; HRMS (m/z , ESI-TOF): Calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{17}\text{N}_2\text{O}^+$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}^+]$ 265.1335, found 265.1336.



1e

2-Cyano-*N*-(2-methoxyphenethyl)benzamide: ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.73 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.66 (dd, $J = 7.7, 1.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.61 (td, $J = 7.6, 1.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.54 (td, $J = 7.5, 1.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.26-7.17 (m, 2H), 6.92 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 6.87 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.54 (brs, 1H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.73 (q, $J = 6.4$ Hz, 2H), 2.98 (t, $J = 6.7$ Hz, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3)

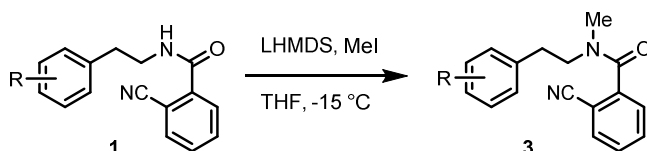
δ 165.3, 157.6, 139.1, 134.2, 132.8, 130.9, 130.9, 128.5, 128.2, 127.3, 121.0, 117.6, 110.7, 110.7, 55.5, 41.1, 30.1; HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for $C_{17}H_{17}N_2O_2^+$ $[M+H]^+$ 281.1285, found 281.1296.



1f **2-Cyano-N-(4-methoxyphenethyl)benzamide:** 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.69 (dd, $J = 7.6, 1.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.65 (dd, $J = 7.8, 1.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.59 (td, $J = 7.6, 1.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.52 (td, $J = 7.6, 1.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.15 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 2H), 6.83 (d, $J = 8.6$ Hz, 2H), 6.47 (brs, 1H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 3.67 (q, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 2H), 2.88 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 165.4, 158.4, 138.8, 134.1, 132.9, 130.9, 130.6, 129.8, 128.4, 117.6, 114.2, 110.6, 55.3, 41.8, 34.5; HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for $C_{17}H_{17}N_2O_2^+$ $[M+H]^+$ 281.1285, found 281.1295.

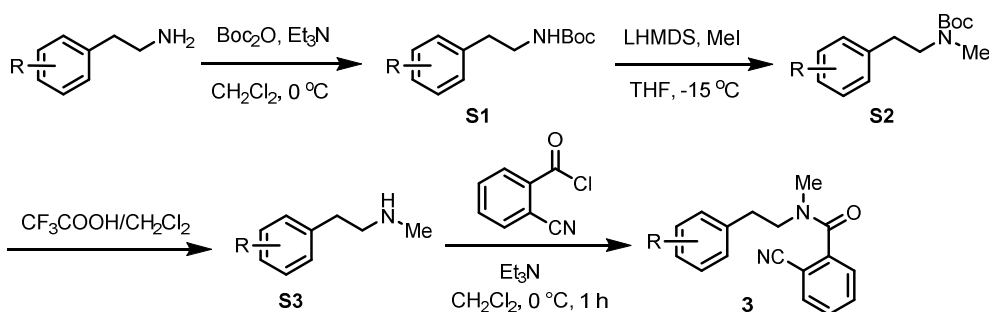
General procedure for preparing substrates of remote meta-C–H bond olefination:

Method A (for substrates **3a-3n**, except **3e** and **3i**):



To a cooled solution of amide **1** (2.0 mmol, *directly synthesized as above without purification*) in THF (20 mL) at -15 °C was added LHMDS (1.0 M in THF, 2.4 mL, 2.4 mmol, 1.2 equiv). After stirring at -15 °C for 15 min, MeI (150 μ L, 2.4 mmol, 1.2 equiv) was added dropwise to the above solution. The solution was then slowly warmed to room temperature. After 1 h, the reaction was diluted with EtOAc (30 mL) and quenched with water (20 mL). After removing the organic phase, the aqueous phase was extracted again with EtOAc twice (30 mL \times 2). The combined organic extract was washed with brine, dried over Na_2SO_4 and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by flash silica gel chromatography with petroleum ether/EtOAc to afford corresponding amide **3** in 70%-90% yields.

Method B (for substrates **3e** and **3i**):



Step 1: To a solution of 2-phenylethan-1-amine (2.0 mmol) and Et_3N (404 mg, 4.0 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (7 mL) was added Boc_2O (654 mg, 3.0 mmol, dissolved in 3 mL CH_2Cl_2) at 0 °C. After stirring at 0 °C for 5 min, H_2O (10 mL) was added to quench the reaction. The aqueous phase was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (10 mL \times 2). The combined organic phase was dried over anhydrous Na_2SO_4 and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash silica gel

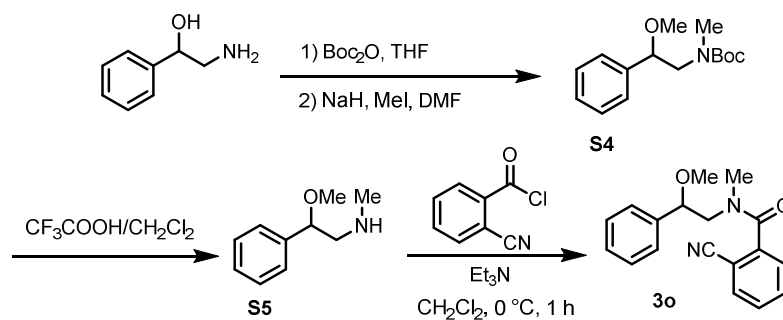
chromatography with petroleum ether/EtOAc to afford corresponding carbamate **S1** in quantitative yields.

Step 2: similar procedure as **Method A**.

Step 3: To a solution of the crude product **S2** (without purification) from Step 2 in CH_2Cl_2 (10 mL) was dropwise added CF_3COOH (10 mL) at room temperature. The reaction was then stirred for 10 minutes and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. To the residue was added NaOH solution (1 N, 10 mL), and the aqueous phase was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (10 mL \times 3). The combined organic phase was dried over anhydrous Na_2SO_4 and concentrated under reduced pressure to yield **S3** in 80-90% yields.

Step 4: similar procedure as the preparation for substrate **1**.

Preparation for substrates **3o**:

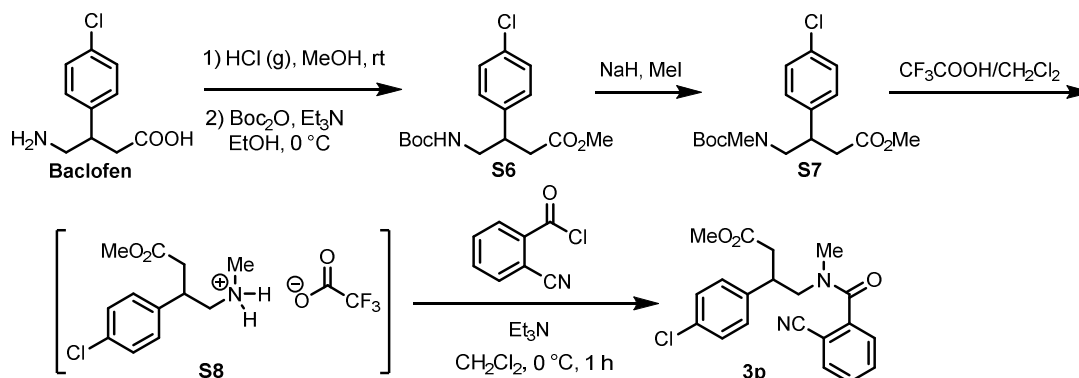


Step 1 and 2: To a solution of 2-amino-1-phenylethan-1-ol (548 mg, 4.0 mmol) in THF (10 mL) at 0 °C was added Boc_2O (959 mg, 4.4 mmol, dissolved in 5.0 mL THF). The mixture was then stirred at 0 °C for 0.5 h. After removal of the solvent, the residue was redissolved in DMF (20 mL) and cooled to 0 °C. To this solution was added NaH (60% in mineral oil, 480 mg, 12 mmol) and the reaction was stirred for 0.5 h at 0 °C. Then MeI (1.7 g, 12 mmol) was added dropwise to the reaction and the solution was stirred for another 2 h while gradually warmed to room temperature. The reaction was then quenched with water (40 mL). The aqueous phase was extracted with EtOAc (20 mL \times 3). The combined organic phase was dried over anhydrous Na_2SO_4 and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash silica gel chromatography with petroleum ether/EtOAc (10:1) to afford product **S4** (890 mg, 84% for two steps) as a colorless oil. **S4**: ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.41-7.26 (m, 5H), 4.52-4.26 (m, 1H), 3.49-3.37 (m, 1H), 3.37-3.28 (m, 1H), 3.24 (s, 3H), 2.96-2.68 (m, 3H), 1.51-1.34 (m, 9H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 156.0, 155.7, 140.0, 128.6, 128.5, 128.0, 127.9, 126.8, 83.3, 82.6, 79.5, 57.2, 55.9, 36.7, 36.1, 28.5.

Step 3: To a solution of **S4** in CH_2Cl_2 (10 mL) was dropwise added CF_3COOH (10 mL) at room temperature. The reaction was then stirred for 30 minutes and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. To the residue was added H_2O (20 mL) and NaOH solution (1 N, 10 mL), and the aqueous phase was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (20 mL \times 3). The combined organic phase was dried over anhydrous Na_2SO_4 and concentrated under reduced pressure to yield **S5** (488 mg, 88%). **S5**: ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.40-7.29 (m, 5H), 4.40 (dd, $J = 9.1, 3.5$ Hz, 1H), 3.27 (s, 3H), 2.92-2.71 (m, 3H), 2.51 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 139.9, 128.7, 128.2, 126.8, 82.4, 58.3, 57.0, 36.0.

Step 4: **3o** was then prepared with the same procedure as the preparation for substrate **1** in **Section 2.1**.

Preparation for substrate **3p**:

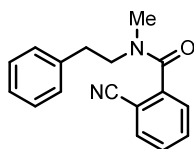


Step 1: To a suspension of baclofen [(*RS*)-4-amino-3-(4-chlorophenyl)butanoic acid] (500 mg, 2.5 mmol) in MeOH (10 mL) was bubbled with HCl gas (generated by adding concentrated H₂SO₄ dropwise to NaCl solid) until a clear solution was observed. Then HCl was bubbled for another 10 min, and the solution was evaporated to give methyl (*RS*)-4-amino-3-(4-chlorophenyl)-butanoate·HCl (590 mg) as colorless crystal. Then the salt (590 mg, 2.2 mmol) was directly dissolved in EtOH (30 mL) without further purification. To this solution was added a solution of Et₃N (1.0 mL, 7.5 mmol) and Boc₂O (1.3 g, 6.2 mmol) in EtOH (8 mL) at 0 °C. The reaction was stirred at 0 °C for 2 h. After evaporation of EtOH, the residue was dissolved in a mixture of H₂O (20 mL) and EtOAc (20 mL). The organic phase was separated and the aqueous phase was extracted with EtOAc (20 mL × 2). The combined organic phase was dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure to yield **S6** (688 mg, 84%). **S6** is a known compound,^{S2} a sample of **S6** was purified by silica gel chromatography with petroleum ether/EtOAc (10:1). **S6**: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.29 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.15 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 4.59 (brs, 1H), 3.59 (s, 3H), 3.49-3.36 (m, 1H), 3.36-3.20 (m, 2H), 2.70 (dd, *J* = 15.7, 6.1 Hz, 1H), 2.58 (dd, *J* = 15.7, 8.1 Hz, 1H), 1.40 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 172.3, 155.9, 139.8, 132.9, 129.0, 128.9, 79.5, 51.8, 45.6, 41.9, 38.1, 28.4.

Step 2: To a solution of **S6** (656 mg, 2.0 mmol, directly synthesized as above without further purification) in DMF (8 mL) at 0 °C was added NaH (60% in mineral oil, 120 mg, 3 mmol, 1.5 equiv). After stirring at 0 °C for 0.5 h, MeI (250 μL, 4 mmol, 2 equiv) was added dropwise. The solution was stirred for another 2 h while gradually warmed to room temperature. Then the reaction was diluted with EtOAc (30 mL) and quenched with water (20 mL). After removing the organic phase, the aqueous phase was extracted again with EtOAc twice (30 mL × 2). The combined organic extract was washed with brine, dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by silica gel chromatography with petroleum ether/EtOAc (10:1) to afford **S7** (570 mg, 83%). **S7** (some peaks are broad due to existence of rotamers): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.27 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 7.21-7.08 (brm, 2H), 3.67-3.38 (brm, 5H), 3.37-3.20 (m, 1H), 2.83-2.64 (m, 4H), 2.59 (dd, *J* = 15.8, 8.2 Hz, 1H), 1.40 (s, 9H).

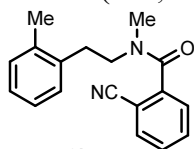
Step 3 and 4: **S7** (115 mg, 0.34 mmol) was dissolved in CH₂Cl₂ (5 mL) and cooled to 0 °C. CF₃COOH (5 mL) was added dropwise and the solution was stirred for another 30 min at 0 °C. Then the solvent was removed under reduced pressure to yield **S8**. [Note: attempt to neutralize and purify **S8** without forming a CF₃COOH salt failed since a corresponding lactam would be gradually formed from attacking of the methyl ester by the free methyl amine.] Without further purification, the residue was dissolved in CH₂Cl₂ (5 mL) under N₂ atmosphere and cooled to 0 °C. 2-Cyanobenzoyl chloride (prepared using the method described in **Section 2.1** using 2-cyanobenzoic acid and oxalyl chloride, 0.4 mmol, dissolved in 5 mL CH₂Cl₂) was added,

followed by the addition of Et₃N (140 μL, 1 mmol) dropwise. After stirring for 1 h at 0 °C, the reaction mixture was diluted with CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL) and washed with H₂O (20 mL). The organic phase was dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by silica gel chromatography with petroleum ether/EtOAc (2:1) to afford **3p** (103 mg, 81%).



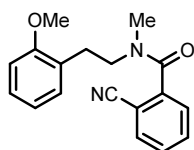
3a

2-Cyano-*N*-methyl-*N*-phenethylbenzamide: The two rotamers' ratio is about 1:1. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.71 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 0.50H), 7.63 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 0.98H), 7.54-7.40 (m, 1.55H), 7.40-7.29 (m, 2.51H), 7.28-7.20 (m, 1.95H), 7.01-6.87 (m, 0.98H), 6.75 (dd, *J* = 6.4, 2.4 Hz, 0.49H), 3.82 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1.00H), 3.44 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1.00H), 3.21 (s, 1.52H), 3.05 (dd, *J* = 8.6, 6.7 Hz, 1.02H), 2.87-2.76 (m, 2.56H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 168.0, 167.6, 140.8, 140.4, 138.8, 137.7, 133.1, 133.0, 132.9, 132.6, 129.5, 129.2, 129.0, 128.9, 128.9, 128.6, 127.6, 127.4, 126.9, 126.6, 116.9, 116.8, 110.0, 109.8, 52.6, 49.5, 37.4, 34.5, 33.4, 33.0; HRMS (*m/z*, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C₁₇H₁₇N₂O⁺ [M+H⁺] 265.1335, found 265.1336.



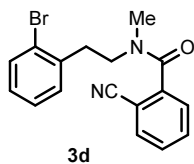
3b

2-Cyano-*N*-methyl-*N*-(2-methylphenethyl)benzamide: The two rotamers' ratio is about 1:1. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.75-7.58 (m, 1.44H), 7.55-7.35 (m, 2.00H), 7.30-6.99 (m, 3.53H), 6.91 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 0.51H), 6.85-6.78 (m, 0.50H), 3.80-3.69 (m, 0.93H), 3.38 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1.07H), 3.23 (s, 1.58H), 3.10-3.01 (m, 0.93H), 2.87 (s, 1.39H), 2.81 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1.07H), 2.43 (s, 1.38H), 1.93 (s, 1.55H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.9, 167.5, 140.7, 140.4, 136.8, 136.5, 136.1, 135.6, 133.1, 132.9, 132.6, 130.6, 130.5, 129.8, 129.6, 129.5, 129.2, 127.6, 127.4, 127.1, 126.8, 126.4, 126.2, 116.9, 116.8, 110.0, 109.8, 51.2, 48.4, 37.2, 33.1, 32.0, 30.8, 19.3, 18.8; HRMS (*m/z*, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C₁₈H₁₉N₂O⁺ [M+H⁺] 279.1492, found 279.1497.



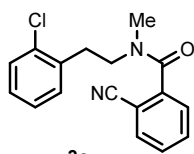
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2-Cyano-*N*-(2-methoxyphenethyl)-*N*-methylbenzamide: The two rotamers' ratio is about 2:1. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.69 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 0.32H), 7.66-7.58 (m, 0.96H), 7.50-7.39 (m, 1.63H), 7.35 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 0.31H), 7.29-7.17 (m, 1.46H), 6.97-6.77 (m, 2.60H), 6.72 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 0.64H), 3.86 (s, 0.97H), 3.84-3.77 (m, 0.69H), 3.54 (s, 1.97H), 3.43 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1.31H), 3.21 (s, 1.94H), 3.09-3.01 (m, 0.66H), 2.86-2.76 (m, 2.29H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.8, 167.3, 157.6, 157.4, 140.8, 140.4, 132.9, 132.8, 132.6, 132.3, 130.7, 130.6, 129.2, 128.8, 128.2, 127.8, 127.6, 127.2, 127.0, 125.7, 120.5, 120.5, 116.8, 110.2, 110.2, 109.8, 109.7, 55.2, 54.8, 50.6, 47.5, 37.1, 32.8, 29.4, 28.2; HRMS (*m/z*, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C₁₈H₁₉N₂O₂⁺ [M+H⁺] 295.1441, found 295.1442.



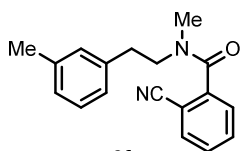
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N-(2-bromophenethyl)-2-Cyano-N-methylbenzamide: The two rotamers' ratio is about 1:1. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.70 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 0.48H), 7.68-7.61 (m, 0.97H), 7.58-7.37 (m, 3.47H), 7.28 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 0.54H), 7.22 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 0.57H), 7.10 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1.02H), 7.05 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 0.52H), 6.86 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 0.53H), 3.88-3.76 (m, 0.92H), 3.49 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 1.06H), 3.23 (s, 1.58H), 3.19 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 0.94H), 2.93 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 1.04H), 2.85 (s, 1.36H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.8, 167.4, 140.3, 139.9, 137.9, 136.6, 132.9, 132.8, 132.8, 132.7, 132.5, 131.2, 131.0, 129.3, 129.2, 128.6, 128.3, 127.7, 127.6, 127.3, 127.1, 124.3, 124.2, 116.7, 116.7, 109.6, 109.6, 50.2, 47.5, 37.2, 34.6, 33.4, 32.9; HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{16}\text{BrN}_2\text{O}^+$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}^+]$ 343.0441, found 343.0448.



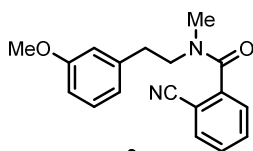
3e

N-(2-chlorophenethyl)-2-cyano-N-methylbenzamide: The two rotamers' ratio is about 1:1. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.61 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 0.47H), 7.59-7.51 (m, 0.96H), 7.45-7.24 (m, 2.89H), 7.18-7.05 (m, 2.51H), 6.97 (dd, $J = 6.2, 2.8$ Hz, 0.51H), 6.80 (d, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 0.50H), 3.73 (dd, $J = 8.5, 6.5$ Hz, 0.92H), 3.39 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 1.06H), 3.17-3.06 (m, 2.49H), 2.85 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 1.08H), 2.75 (s, 1.40H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 168.0, 167.6, 140.6, 140.2, 136.4, 135.1, 134.1, 134.0, 133.1, 133.0, 132.9, 132.6, 131.5, 131.2, 129.7, 129.6, 129.5, 129.3, 128.5, 128.2, 127.5, 127.3, 127.3, 127.2, 116.8, 116.8, 109.9, 109.8, 50.4, 47.7, 37.3, 33.1, 32.6, 31.2; HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{16}\text{ClN}_2\text{O}^+$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}^+]$ 299.0946, found 299.0957.



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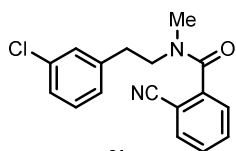
2-Cyano-N-methyl-N-(3-methylphenethyl)benzamide: The two rotamers' ratio is about 45:55. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.70 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 0.45H), 7.67-7.59 (m, 0.93H), 7.54-7.40 (m, 1.46H), 7.37 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 0.45H), 7.21 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 0.48H), 7.17-7.07 (m, 1.42H), 7.04 (d, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 0.99H), 6.82-6.69 (m, 1.46H), 3.79 (dd, $J = 8.4, 7.0$ Hz, 0.93H), 3.42 (t, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 1.07H), 3.20 (s, 1.50H), 3.00 (dd, $J = 8.8, 6.6$ Hz, 0.95H), 2.82 (s, 1.42H), 2.77 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 1.10H), 2.34 (s, 1.51H), 2.26 (s, 1.46H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 168.0, 167.5, 140.8, 140.4, 138.7, 138.4, 138.2, 137.6, 133.1, 133.0, 132.8, 132.6, 129.8, 129.6, 129.5, 129.2, 128.7, 128.5, 127.7, 127.6, 127.4, 127.3, 126.0, 125.9, 116.9, 116.9, 110.0, 109.8, 52.7, 49.6, 37.4, 34.4, 33.3, 32.9, 21.43, 21.36; HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{19}\text{N}_2\text{O}^+$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}^+]$ 279.1492, found 279.1492.



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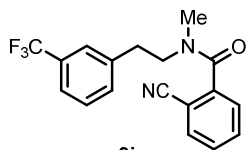
2-Cyano-N-(3-methoxyphenethyl)-N-methylbenzamide: The two rotamers' ratio is about 1:1. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.65 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 0.51H), 7.62-7.53 (m, 0.99H), 7.49-7.36 (m, 1.50H), 7.33 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 0.50H), 7.20 (t, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 0.51H), 7.12 (t, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 0.49H), 6.87 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 0.50H), 6.83 (s, 0.50H), 6.79 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 0.49H), 6.74

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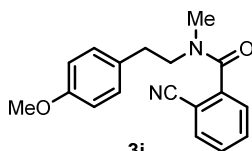
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***N*-(3-chlorophenethyl)-2-cyano-*N*-methylbenzamide:** The two rotamers' ratio is about 3:2. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.71 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 0.57H), 7.65 (t, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 0.97H), 7.56-7.44 (m, 1.51H), 7.39 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 0.58H), 7.34-7.16 (m, 3.39H), 6.91-6.79 (m, 1.26H), 3.80 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1.14H), 3.45 (t, $J = 6.7$ Hz, 0.88H), 3.20 (s, 1.33H), 3.02 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1.14H), 2.84 (s, 1.67H), 2.80 (t, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 0.91H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.5, 167.2, 140.5, 140.0, 139.7, 139.4, 134.0, 133.7, 132.8, 132.6, 132.6, 132.3, 129.7, 129.6, 129.2, 129.1, 128.6, 128.4, 127.0, 126.9, 126.8, 126.6, 126.3, 116.5, 116.4, 109.3, 109.2, 51.7, 48.6, 36.9, 33.6, 32.5, 32.4; HRMS (m/z , ESI-TOF): Calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{16}\text{ClN}_2\text{O}^+$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}^+]$ 299.0946, found 299.0946.



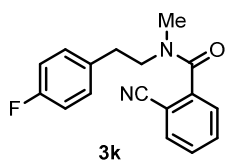
3i

2-Cyano-*N*-methyl-*N*-(3-(trifluoromethyl)phenethyl)benzamide: The two rotamers' ratio is about 3:2. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.70 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 0.61H), 7.64 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 0.98H), 7.58-7.40 (m, 4.25H), 7.37 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 0.95H), 7.17 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 0.37H), 7.13 (s, 0.33H), 6.80 (dd, $J = 6.6, 2.1$ Hz, 0.35H), 3.81 (dd, $J = 8.7, 6.5$ Hz, 1.14H), 3.47 (t, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 0.83H), 3.20 (s, 1.12H), 3.10 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1.17H), 2.88 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 0.77H), 2.84 (s, 1.75H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.8, 167.6, 140.3, 140.0, 139.7, 138.6, 133.1, 132.8, 132.6, 132.4, 132.3, 130.6 (q, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 32.0$ Hz), 130.5 (q, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 32.1$ Hz), 129.5, 129.4, 129.2, 129.0, 127.1, 125.4 (q, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 4.0$ Hz), 125.2 (q, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 3.1$ Hz), 124.1 (q, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 273.2$ Hz), 123.9 (q, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 273.6$ Hz), 123.59 (q, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 3.7$ Hz), 123.28 (q, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 3.9$ Hz), 116.7, 116.7, 109.7, 109.6, 52.1, 49.0, 37.1, 34.1, 32.9, 32.7; HRMS (m/z , ESI-TOF): Calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{16}\text{F}_3\text{N}_2\text{O}^+$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}^+]$ 333.1209, found 333.1221.

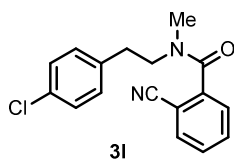


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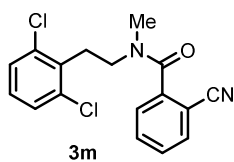
2-Cyano-*N*-(4-methoxyphenethyl)-*N*-methylbenzamide: The two rotamers' ratio is about 1:1. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.66 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 0.51H), 7.60 (t, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 0.96H), 7.50-7.37 (m, 1.48H), 7.34 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 0.47H), 7.20 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 0.97H), 6.89-6.71 (m, 2.45H), 6.75 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 0.96H), 3.82-3.66 (m, 4.00H), 3.36 (t, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 0.96H), 3.15 (s, 1.46H), 2.95 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 0.99H), 2.77 (s, 1.45H), 2.72 (t, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 1.02H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.9, 167.4, 158.5, 158.2, 140.7, 140.3, 133.0, 132.9, 132.8, 132.6, 130.7, 129.8, 129.7, 129.6, 129.4, 129.2, 127.5, 127.2, 116.8, 116.8, 114.1, 114.0, 109.8, 109.6, 55.3, 55.2, 52.7, 49.6, 37.3, 33.5, 32.8, 32.4; HRMS (m/z , ESI-TOF): Calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{19}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2^+$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}^+]$ 295.1441, found 295.1443.



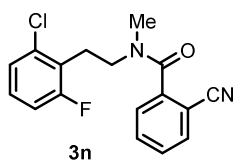
2-Cyano-*N*-(4-fluorophenethyl)-*N*-methylbenzamide: The two rotamers' ratio is about 54:46. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.70 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 0.54H), 7.64 (t, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 0.98H), 7.56-7.40 (m, 1.46H), 7.37 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 0.54H), 7.28 (t, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 1.21H), 7.01 (t, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1.14H), 6.95-6.86 (m, 2.02H), 3.78 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1.12H), 3.42 (t, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 0.85H), 3.19 (s, 1.25H), 3.02 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1.12H), 2.88-2.74 (m, 2.63H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 168.0, 167.6, 161.9 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 246$ Hz), 161.7 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 245$ Hz), 140.6, 140.3, 134.5 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 3$ Hz), 133.4 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 3$ Hz), 133.1 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 16$ Hz), 132.8 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 16$ Hz), 130.4, 130.4, 130.3, 130.3, 129.5, 129.4, 127.5, 127.3, 116.9, 116.8, 115.7 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 21$ Hz), 115.4 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 21$ Hz), 110.0, 109.8, 52.7, 49.5, 37.4, 33.7, 33.0, 32.6; HRMS (m/z , ESI-TOF): Calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{16}\text{FN}_2\text{O}^+$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}^+]$ 283.1241, found 283.1242.



***N*-(4-chlorophenethyl)-2-cyano-*N*-methylbenzamide:** The two rotamers' ratio is about 56:44. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.70 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 0.56H), 7.64 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 0.97H), 7.55-7.42 (m, 1.41H), 7.37 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 0.57H), 7.33-7.16 (m, 3.19H), 6.88 (t, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1.19H), 3.86-3.73 (m, 1.16H), 3.42 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 0.83H), 3.18 (s, 1.22H), 3.06-2.97 (m, 1.17H), 2.82 (s, 1.73H), 2.79 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 0.83H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.9, 167.6, 140.6, 140.2, 137.3, 136.2, 133.2, 133.0, 133.0, 132.8, 132.7, 132.4, 130.4, 130.2, 129.6, 129.4, 129.0, 128.8, 127.6, 127.3, 116.9, 116.8, 109.9, 109.8, 52.5, 49.4, 37.4, 33.9, 33.0, 32.7; HRMS (m/z , ESI-TOF): Calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{16}\text{ClN}_2\text{O}^+$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}^+]$ 299.0946, found 299.0947.

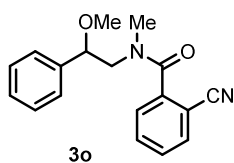


2-Cyano-*N*-(2,6-dichlorophenethyl)-*N*-methylbenzamide: The two rotamers' ratio is about 2:1. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.74-7.61 (m, 1.28H), 7.57 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 0.63H), 7.54-7.43 (m, 1.32H), 7.32 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 0.65H), 7.28-7.23 (m, 1.23H), 7.20 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1.20H), 7.15-7.04 (m, 0.99H), 3.83 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 0.68H), 3.48-3.35 (m, 1.96H), 3.29 (s, 1.87H), 3.15 (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1.28H), 2.93 (s, 1.04H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.9, 167.6, 140.6, 140.4, 135.9, 135.7, 134.9, 133.3, 133.1, 133.0, 132.9, 132.9, 129.5, 129.4, 128.7, 128.4, 128.4, 127.5, 116.8, 110.2, 110.0, 48.9, 46.1, 37.2, 33.3, 30.2, 28.9; HRMS (m/z , ESI-TOF): Calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{15}\text{Cl}_2\text{N}_2\text{O}^+$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}^+]$ 333.0556, found 333.0567.

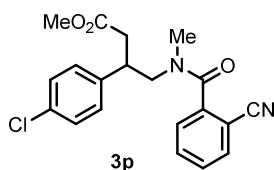


***N*-(2-chloro-6-fluorophenethyl)-2-cyano-*N*-methylbenzamide:** The two rotamers' ratio is about 3:2. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.74-7.60 (m, 1.36H), 7.56-7.40 (m, 1.94H), 7.23-7.11 (m, 1.53H), 7.10-6.96 (m, 1.61H), 6.92 (t, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 0.61H), 3.83 (t, $J = 7.1$

Hz, 0.75H), 3.44 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1.19H), 3.30-3.18 (m, 2.56H), 3.01 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1.19H), 2.89 (s, 1.16H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.9, 167.6, 161.8 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 248$ Hz), 161.7 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 249$ Hz), 140.6, 140.2, 135.5 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 6$ Hz), 135.4 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 6$ Hz), 133.1, 132.9, 132.8, 129.5, 129.4, 128.8 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 10$ Hz), 128.5 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 10$ Hz), 127.4 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 4$ Hz), 125.4 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 4$ Hz), 125.3, 124.9 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 19$ Hz), 123.4 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 19$ Hz), 116.8, 114.2 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 23$ Hz), 114.0 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 23$ Hz), 110.0, 109.9, 49.4, 46.6, 37.2, 33.1, 25.3 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 2$ Hz), 24.3 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 2$ Hz); HRMS (m/z , ESI-TOF): Calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{15}\text{ClFN}_2\text{O}^+$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}^+$] 317.0851, found 317.0861.



3o **2-Cyano-*N*-(2-methoxy-2-phenylethyl)-*N*-methylbenzamide:** The two rotamers' ratio is about 56:44. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.72 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 0.56H), 7.70-7.60 (m, 1.00H), 7.59-7.35 (m, 4.39H), 7.36-7.26 (m, 1.91H), 7.18 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 0.44H), 7.09-6.97 (m, 0.88H), 4.72 (dd, $J = 8.7, 3.9$ Hz, 0.56H), 4.29 (dd, $J = 8.3, 4.2$ Hz, 0.44H), 3.95 (dd, $J = 13.7, 3.9$ Hz, 0.56H), 3.55-3.43 (m, 1.03H), 3.38-3.17 (m, 4.86H), 2.93 (s, 1.73H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 168.6, 167.7, 140.6, 140.4, 139.4, 138.4, 132.9, 132.8, 132.6, 132.4, 129.3, 129.1, 128.6, 128.4, 128.2, 127.9, 127.8, 127.0, 126.6, 126.3, 116.8, 116.7, 110.3, 109.7, 82.0, 80.9, 57.2, 56.9, 56.8, 54.6, 38.9, 33.8; HRMS (m/z , ESI-TOF): Calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{19}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2^+$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}^+$] 295.1441, found 295.1447.



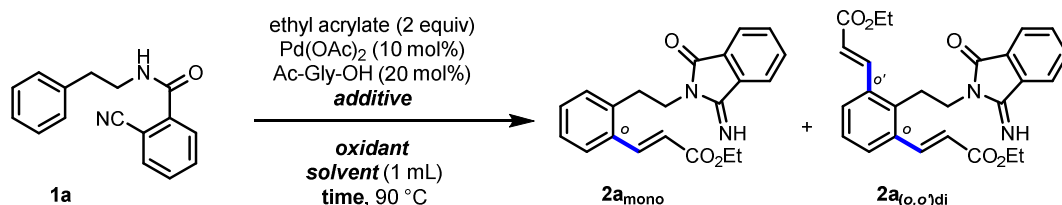
3p **Methyl 3-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-(2-cyano-*N*-methylbenzamido)butanoate:** The two rotamers' ratio is about 2:1. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.69 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 0.68H), 7.67-7.56 (m, 1.04H), 7.55-7.42 (m, 1.42H), 7.36-7.28 (m, 2.68H), 7.22 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 0.68H), 7.16 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 0.69H), 6.88 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 0.65H), 6.83-6.74 (m, 0.29H), 3.99 (dd, $J = 16.6, 10.5$ Hz, 0.71H), 3.73-3.63 (m, 1.47H), 3.63-3.56 (m, 3.00H), 3.56-3.30 (m, 1.09H), 3.14 (s, 0.94H), 2.92-2.82 (m, 0.75H), 2.78-2.63 (m, 2.80H), 2.59-2.42 (m, 0.69H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 172.1, 171.4, 168.1, 168.0, 140.4, 139.7, 139.6, 138.7, 133.5, 133.1, 133.1, 133.0, 132.6, 129.6, 129.5, 129.3, 129.2, 128.9, 128.2, 127.2, 116.9, 116.7, 109.9, 109.9, 56.5, 52.3, 52.0, 51.8, 39.9, 39.6, 38.3, 37.4, 33.6; HRMS (m/z , ESI-TOF): Calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{20}\text{ClN}_2\text{O}_3^+$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}^+$] 371.1157, found 371.1168.

2.2 Optimization of olefination reaction conditions.

2.2.1 Condition optimization for remote-selective ortho-*C-H* bond olefination: ^a

General optimization procedure: A 35 mL sealed tube or 50 mL Schlenk sealed tube (with a Teflon cap, Schlenk sealed tube was used when oxygen was the terminal oxidant) equipped with a magnetic stir bar was charged with amide **1a** (0.10 mmol, 1.0 equiv), $\text{Pd}(\text{OAc})_2$ (2.3 mg, 0.010 mmol, 10 mol%), Ac-Gly-OH (2.4 mg, 0.020 mmol, 20 mol%), oxidant and solid additive (if additive was used) sequentially. The tube was then purged with oxygen (1 atm, if oxygen was used). *t*-Amyl-OH (0.5 mL) was added to the mixture, followed by ethyl acrylate (2.0 equiv) and HFIP (32 μL , if used). And then another 0.5 mL of *t*-Amyl-OH was added along the inside wall of the tube. The tube was then capped under a flow of O_2 (1 atm, if oxygen was used) and submerged into a preheated 90 $^\circ\text{C}$ oil bath. The reaction was stirred for 20–36 h and cooled to

room temperature. The crude reaction mixture was diluted with EtOAc (5 mL) and filtered through a short pad of Celite. The sealed tube and Celite pad were washed with an additional 20 mL of EtOAc. The filtrate was concentrated *in vacuo*, and crude ^1H NMR spectrum was taken using CH_2Br_2 as internal standard. (Note: all the chemicals are added as their pure form, for example, not in a solution.)



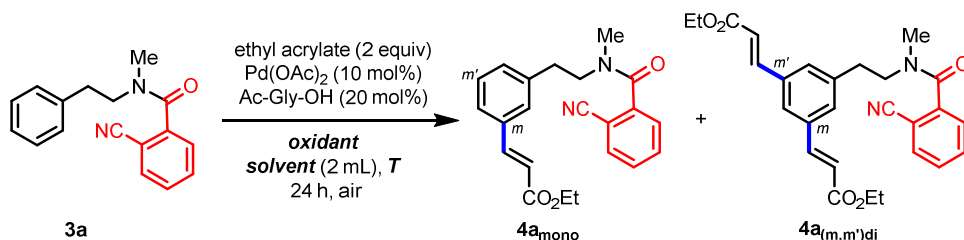
Entry	t (h)	oxidant (equiv)	additive (equiv)	solvent	Yield of 3a_{mono} (%)	Yield of 3a_{di(o,o')} (%)
1	24	AgOAc (3)	--	<i>t</i> -Amyl-OH	32	50
2	24	AgOAc (3)	--	toluene	29	6
3	20	Ag₂CO₃ (3)	--	<i>t</i>-Amyl-OH	40	55
4	20	O ₂ (1 atm)	Cu(OAc) ₂ (0.3)	<i>t</i> -Amyl-OH	30	16
5	20	O ₂ (1 atm)	HFIP (3)	<i>t</i> -Amyl-OH	33	40
6	36	air (1 atm)	HFIP (3)	<i>t</i> -Amyl-OH	trace	trace
7	20	O ₂ (1 atm)	HFIP (3)	DCE	0	0
8 ^b	20	O ₂ (1 atm)	HFIP (3)	<i>t</i> -Amyl-OH	trace	--
9	36	O ₂ (1 atm)	HFIP (3)	<i>t</i> -Amyl-OH	33	34
10 ^c	20	O ₂ (1 atm)	HFIP (3)	<i>t</i> -Amyl-OH	trace	--
11^d	23	O₂ (1 atm)	HFIP (3)	<i>t</i>-Amyl-OH	32	57
12 ^d	23	O ₂ (1 atm)	--	<i>t</i> -Amyl-OH	40	14

^a Conditions: **1a** (0.1 mmol), ethyl acrylate (0.2 mmol), Pd(OAc)₂ (10 mol%), Ac-Gly-OH (20 mol%). Yield was determined by ^1H NMR analysis using CH_2Br_2 as internal standard. ^b Ac-Ile-OH (20 mol%) was used instead of Ac-Gly-OH. ^c 10 mol% *p*-benzoquinone was added. ^d 0.2 mmol scale, Ag₂CO₃ (30 mol%) was added and the isolated yields were reported for entry 11.

2.2.2 Condition optimization for remote meta-C–H bond olefination: ^a

General optimization procedure: A 35 mL sealed tube or 50 mL Schlenk sealed tube (with a Teflon cap, Schlenk sealed tube was used when the reaction was run under oxygen/nitrogen) equipped with a magnetic stir bar was charged with amide **3** (0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), Pd(OAc)₂ (4.6 mg, 0.020 mmol, 10 mol%), Ac-Gly-OH (4.7 mg, 0.040 mmol, 20 mol%) and AgOAc (100 mg, 0.60 mmol, 3 equiv). The tube was then purged with nitrogen (1 atm, if nitrogen was used). DCE (1.0 mL) was added to the mixture, followed by ethyl acrylate (2.0 equiv) [and DMF (77 μL , 1.0 mmol, 5 equiv) when necessary as noted below]. And then 1.0 mL of HFIP was added

along the inside wall of the tube. The tube was then capped under a flow of nitrogen (if nitrogen was used) and submerged into a preheated 90 °C oil bath. The reaction was stirred for 24–48 h and cooled to room temperature. The crude reaction mixture was diluted with EtOAc (5 mL) and filtered through a short pad of Celite. The sealed tube and Celite pad were washed with an additional 20 mL of EtOAc. The filtrate was concentrated *in vacuo*, and crude ¹H NMR spectrum was taken using CH₂Br₂ as internal standard. (Note: all the chemicals are added as their pure form, for example, not in a solution.)



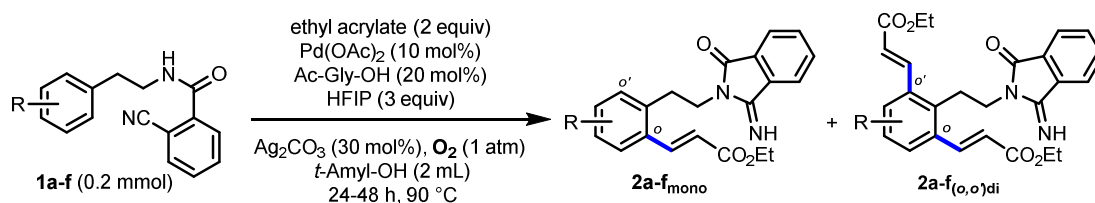
Entry	T (°C)	solvents [v/v]	oxidant (equiv)	additive (equiv)	Yield of 4a_{mono} (%)	Yield of 4a_{(m,m')_{di}} (%)	3a (%)
1	90	<i>t</i> -Amyl-OH	O ₂ (1 atm)	Ag ₂ CO ₃ (0.3)	10	--	90
2	90	HFIP	AgOAc (3)	--	13	45	trace
3 ^b	90	HFIP	AgOAc (3)	--	17	24	trace
4 ^c	90	HFIP	AgOAc (3)	--	messy mixture		trace
5	90	DCE/HFIP [50/50]	AgOAc (3)	--	32	39	trace
6	90	DCE/HFIP [85/15]	AgOAc (3)	--	48	25	10
7	90	DCE/HFIP [85/15]	AgOAc (3)	KHCO ₃ (2)	26	0	55
8	90	DCE/HFIP [85/15]	AgOAc (3)	KH ₂ PO ₄ (2)	50	22	15
9	90	DCE/HFIP [85/15]	Ag ₂ CO ₃ (3)	--	40	31	7
10 ^d	90	DCE/HFIP [85/15]	AgOAc (3)	--	44	27	10
11 ^d	90	DCE/HFIP [85/15]	AgOAc (3)	DMF (5)	44	42	trace
12	90	DCE/HFIP [95/5]	AgOAc (3)	--	32	7	44
13	90	DCE/HFIP [80/20]	AgOAc (3)	--	42	33	6
14	90	DCE/HFIP [70/30]	AgOAc (3)	--	43	31	trace
15 ^d	90	DCE/HFIP [50/50]	AgOAc (3)	--	46	37	trace
16 ^{d,e}	80	DCE/HFIP [50/50]	AgOAc (3)	--	46	44	trace

17 ^{d,f}	80	DCE/HFIP [50/50]	AgOAc (3)	DMF (5)	58	32	trace
18 ^d	90	EtOAc/HFIP [50/50]	AgOAc (3)	--	42	18	15
19	90	CF ₃ CH ₂ OH	AgOAc (3)	--	29	37	trace
20	90	CF ₃ CH ₂ OH/ HFIP [85/15]	AgOAc (3)	--	34	35	trace
21	90	CF ₃ CH ₂ OH/ DCE [50/50]	AgOAc (3)	--	44	28	10
22 ^g	90	DCE/HFIP [50/50]	Ag ₂ O (3)	DMF (5)	--	--	95
23 ^g	90	DCE/HFIP [50/50]	Cu(OAc) ₂ (3)	DMF (5)	trace	--	~100
24 ^{g,h}	60	DCE/HFIP [50/50]	AgOAc (2)	--	61	14	25
25 ^{g,h,i}	60	DCE/HFIP [50/50]	AgOAc (2)	--	61	13	25
26 ^{e,g,j}	80	DCE/HFIP [50/50]	AgOAc (3)	--	54	8	32

^a Conditions: **1a** (0.2 mmol), ethyl acrylate (0.4 mmol), Pd(OAc)₂ (10 mol%), Ac-Gly-OH (20 mol%). Yield was determined by ¹H NMR analysis using CH₂Br₂ as internal standard. ^b Ac-Ile-OH (20 mol%) was used instead of Ac-Gly-OH. ^c Ac-Gly-OH was not added. ^d under N₂. ^e 32 h. ^f 28 h. ^g 0.1 mmol scale. ^h ethyl acrylate (0.3 mmol); 48 h. ⁱ DCE/HFIP (0.25mL/0.25mL). ^j Pd(OAc)₂ (3 mol%), Ac-Gly-OH (6 mol%); DCE/HFIP (0.3mL/0.3mL).

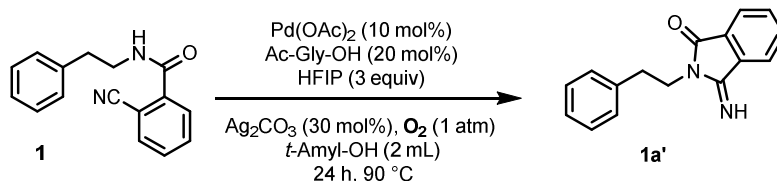
2.3 General remote-selective *ortho*-C–H bond olefination procedure and characterization of olefinated compounds.

General remote-selective *ortho*-C–H bond olefination procedure:

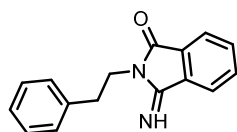


A 50 mL Schlenk sealed tube (with a Teflon cap) equipped with a magnetic stir bar was charged with amide **1** (0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), Pd(OAc)₂ (4.6 mg, 0.020 mmol, 10 mol%), Ac-Gly-OH (4.7 mg, 0.040 mmol, 20 mol%) and Ag₂CO₃ (16 mg, 0.060 mmol, 0.3 equiv). The tube was then purged with oxygen. *t*-Amyl-OH (1.0 mL) and HFIP (63 μL) was added to the mixture, followed by ethyl acrylate (2.0 equiv). And then another 1.0 mL of *t*-Amyl-OH was added along the inside wall of the tube. The tube was then capped under a flow of O₂ and submerged into a preheated 90 °C oil bath. The reaction was stirred for 20–48 h and cooled to room temperature. The crude reaction mixture was diluted with EtOAc (5 mL) and filtered through a short pad of Celite. The sealed tube and Celite pad were washed with an additional 20 mL of EtOAc. The filtrate was concentrated *in vacuo*, and the resulting residue was purified by preparative thin layer chromatography using petroleum ether/EtOAc as the eluent.

Preparation of Substrate **1a'**:

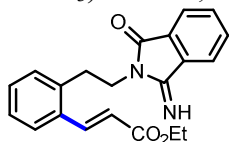


Substrate **1a'** was obtained in 85% yields (by ¹H NMR) using the above olefination procedure without adding ethyl acrylate in 24 h, or by heating with NaH (1.2 equiv) at 90 °C in THF for 1 h for large scale preparation in almost quantitative yield. The olefination reaction with **1a'** as the substrate using the above olefination procedure produced 32% of **2a_{mono}** and 52% of **2a_{(o,o')di}**, in 23 h, by ¹H NMR analysis using CH₂Br₂ as internal standard.



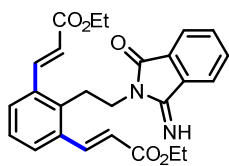
1a'

3-Imino-2-phenylethylisoindolin-1-one: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.87-7.80 (m, 1H), 7.73 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (pd, *J* = 7.4, 1.3 Hz, 2H), 7.28 (d, *J* = 4.3 Hz, 4H), 7.25-7.16 (m, 1H), 4.06 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 6.8 Hz, 2H), 3.13-2.92 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.7, 160.2, 138.5, 132.9, 132.2, 131.0, 128.9, 128.5, 126.5, 123.1, 120.9, 39.7, 34.5.



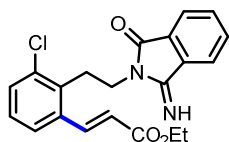
2a_{mono}

(E)-ethyl-3-(2-(2-(1-imino-3-oxoisoindolin-2-yl)ethyl)phenyl)acrylate: The corresponding reaction was run with standard conditions for 24 h. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.16 (d, *J* = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 7.80 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 7.74-7.59 (m, 3H), 7.55 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.32-7.21 (m, 3H), 6.27 (d, *J* = 15.7 Hz, 1H), 4.24 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 4.03 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 3.19 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 1.35 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.7, 166.9, 141.9, 138.4, 133.9, 133.0, 132.3, 131.1, 130.8, 130.3, 127.4, 126.8, 123.4, 120.9, 120.1, 60.6, 39.5, 31.9, 14.5; HRMS (*m/z*, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C₂₁H₂₁N₂O₃⁺ [M+H⁺] 349.1547, found 349.1547.



2a_{(o,o')di}

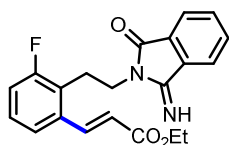
(2E,2'E)-diethyl-3,3'-(2-(2-(1-imino-3-oxoisoindolin-2-yl)ethyl)-1,3-phenylene)diacrylate: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.16 (d, *J* = 15.7 Hz, 2H), 7.77-7.72 (m, 1H), 7.68-7.55 (m, 3H), 7.52 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.26 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.21 (d, *J* = 15.7 Hz, 2H), 4.23 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 4H), 3.99 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 3.31 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 1.34 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 6H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.5, 166.5, 160.1, 141.9, 137.2, 135.3, 132.8, 132.2, 131.0, 128.5, 127.6, 123.3, 121.5, 120.9, 60.6, 38.5, 27.6, 14.4; HRMS (*m/z*, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C₂₆H₂₇N₂O₅⁺ [M+H⁺] 447.1914, found 447.1907.



2b

(E)-ethyl-3-(3-chloro-2-(2-(1-imino-3-oxoisindolin-2-yl)ethyl)phenyl)acrylate:

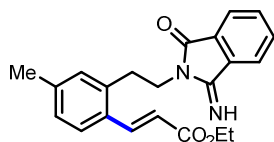
The corresponding reaction was run with standard conditions at 80 °C for 36 h. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.06 (d, *J* = 15.7 Hz, 1H), 7.75 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.72-7.54 (m, 3H), 7.39 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.16 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 6.07 (d, *J* = 15.7 Hz, 1H), 4.18 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 4.05 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 3.35 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 1.31 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.6, 166.3, 141.7, 136.5, 135.8, 132.9, 132.2, 131.0, 130.9, 128.1, 125.4, 123.2, 121.5, 120.9, 60.6, 37.3, 28.7, 14.4; HRMS (*m/z*, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C₂₁H₂₀ClN₂O₃⁺ [*M*+*H*⁺] 383.1157, found 383.1153.



2c

(E)-ethyl-3-(3-fluoro-2-(2-(1-imino-3-oxoisindolin-2-yl)ethyl)phenyl)acrylate:

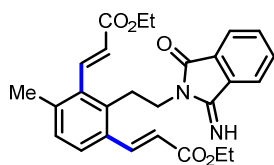
The corresponding reaction was run with standard conditions at 80 °C for 48 h in 0.1 mmol scale. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.92 (d, *J* = 15.7 Hz, 1H), 7.68 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 7.59-7.48 (m, 2H), 7.19 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.17-7.07 (m, 1H), 6.98 (t, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 6.04 (d, *J* = 15.7 Hz, 1H), 4.12 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 3.97 (t, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 2H), 3.17 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 1.25 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.6, 166.4, 161.8 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 246.4 Hz), 160.2, 140.8 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 3.0 Hz), 136.3 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 5.1 Hz), 132.9, 132.2, 132.1, 131.0, 128.3 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 9.1 Hz), 125.7 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 17.2 Hz), 123.2, 122.3 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 3.0 Hz), 121.1, 120.9, 116.5 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 21.2 Hz), 60.6, 38.1, 24.0 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 4.0 Hz), 14.4; HRMS (ESI-TOF): Calcd for C₂₁H₂₀FN₂O₃⁺ [*M*+*H*⁺] 367.1452, found 367.1450.



2d_{mono}

(E)-ethyl-3-(2-(2-(1-imino-3-oxoisindolin-2-yl)ethyl)-4-methylphenyl)acrylate:

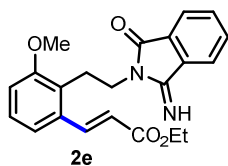
The corresponding reaction was run with standard conditions at 70 °C for 48 h in 0.1 mmol scale. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.14 (d, *J* = 15.7 Hz, 1H), 7.81 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 7.71 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 7.69-7.59 (m, 2H), 7.46 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.11 (s, 1H), 7.06 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.25 (d, *J* = 15.7 Hz, 1H), 4.23 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 4.01 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 3.15 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.31 (s, 3H), 1.34 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.7, 167.1, 141.8, 140.6, 138.3, 132.9, 132.3, 131.5, 131.2, 131.0, 128.3, 126.7, 123.3, 121.0, 119.0, 60.5, 39.6, 31.9, 21.4, 14.5; HRMS (ESI-TOF): Calcd for C₂₂H₂₃N₂O₃⁺ [*M*+*H*⁺] 363.1703, found 363.1701.



2d_{(o,o)di}

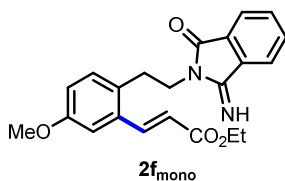
(2*E*,2'*E*)-diethyl-3,3'-(2-(2-(1-imino-3-oxoisindolin-2-yl)ethyl)-4-methyl-1,3-phenylene)diacrylate: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.64 (s, 1H), 8.16 (d, *J* = 15.6

Hz, 1H), 7.91 (d, $J = 16.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.77 (d, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.72-7.56 (m, 3H), 7.41 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.14 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.17 (d, $J = 15.6$ Hz, 1H), 6.08 (d, $J = 16.3$ Hz, 1H), 4.31 (q, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2H), 4.23 (q, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2H), 3.94 (brs, 2H), 3.20 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2H), 2.33 (d, $J = 9.2$ Hz, 3H), 1.40-1.32 (m, 6H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.5, 166.8, 166.3, 143.1, 142.1, 138.4, 136.3, 132.9, 132.4, 132.2, 131.1, 129.6, 126.6, 126.2, 123.3, 120.9, 120.0, 60.8, 60.6, 38.3, 28.6, 21.5, 14.5; HRMS (ESI-TOF): Calcd for $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{29}\text{N}_2\text{O}_5^+$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}^+]$ 461.2071, found 461.2064.



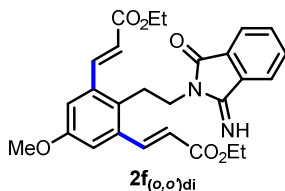
(E)-ethyl-3-(2-(2-(1-imino-3-oxoisindolin-2-yl)ethyl)-3-methoxyphenyl)

acrylate: The corresponding reaction was run with standard conditions for 24 h. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.03 (d, $J = 15.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.74 (d, $J = 6.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.70 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.64-7.54 (m, 2H), 7.18 (t, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.07 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.86 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 1H), 6.08 (d, $J = 15.7$ Hz, 1H), 4.18 (q, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2H), 3.98 (t, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 2H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.21 (t, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 2H), 1.31 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.6, 166.6, 159.9, 158.1, 142.1, 135.3, 132.8, 132.1, 131.1, 127.9, 127.1, 123.1, 121.0, 120.5, 118.8, 111.5, 60.4, 55.7, 37.8, 24.7, 14.4; HRMS (ESI-TOF): Calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{23}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4^+$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}^+]$ 379.1652, found 379.1663.



(E)-ethyl-3-(2-(2-(1-imino-3-oxoisindolin-2-yl)ethyl)-5-

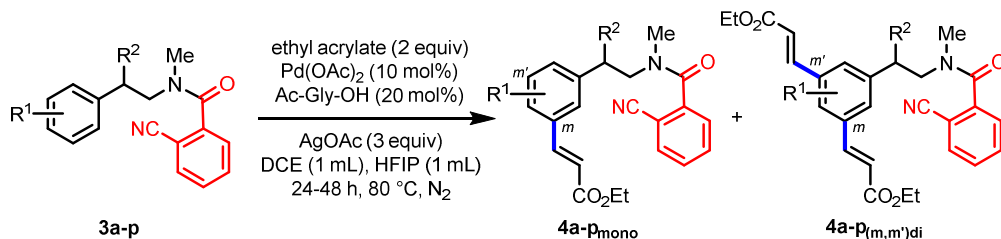
methoxyphenyl)acrylate: The corresponding reaction was run with standard conditions for 24 h. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.11 (d, $J = 15.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.81 (d, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.76 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.72-7.59 (m, 2H), 7.20 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.05 (d, $J = 2.5$ Hz, 1H), 6.87 (dd, $J = 8.4, 2.5$ Hz, 1H), 6.25 (d, $J = 15.7$ Hz, 1H), 4.24 (q, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2H), 4.00 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 2H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.13 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 2H), 1.35 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.7, 166.9, 158.7, 141.9, 134.8, 133.1, 132.5, 132.1, 131.9, 131.0, 130.6, 123.4, 121.2, 120.1, 116.6, 111.3, 60.6, 55.4, 39.8, 31.1, 14.5; HRMS (ESI-TOF): Calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{23}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4^+$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}^+]$ 379.1652, found 379.1659.



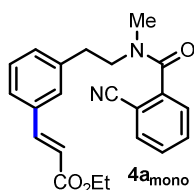
(2E,2'E)-diethyl-3,3'-(2-(2-(1-imino-3-oxoisindolin-2-yl)ethyl)-5-

methoxy-1,3-phenylene)diacrylate: ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.13 (d, $J = 15.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.75 (dd, $J = 6.3, 1.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.69-7.52 (m, 3H), 7.06 (s, 2H), 6.21 (d, $J = 15.6$ Hz, 2H), 4.24 (q, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 4H), 3.95 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 2H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.25 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 2H), 1.34 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 6H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.5, 166.6, 158.4, 142.0, 136.5, 133.9, 132.9, 132.2, 131.1, 129.9, 123.3, 121.9, 121.6, 120.9, 114.0, 60.7, 55.5, 38.8, 27.0, 14.5; HRMS (ESI-TOF): Calcd for $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{29}\text{N}_2\text{O}_6^+$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}^+]$ 477.2020, found 477.2029.

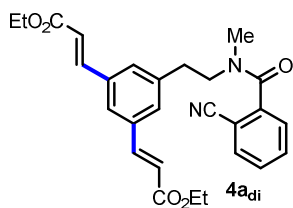
2.4 General remote-selective *meta*-C–H bond olefination procedure and characterization of olefinated compounds.



A 50 mL Schlenk sealed tube (with a Teflon cap) equipped with a magnetic stir bar was charged with amide **3** (0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), Pd(OAc)₂ (4.6 mg, 0.020 mmol, 10 mol%), Ac-Gly-OH (4.7 mg, 0.040 mmol, 20 mol%) and AgOAc (100 mg, 0.60 mmol, 3 equiv). The tube was then purged with nitrogen. DCE (1.0 mL) was added to the mixture, followed by ethyl acrylate (2.0 equiv) [and DMF (77 μ L, 1.0 mmol, 5 equiv) when necessary as noted below]. And then 1.0 mL of HFIP was added along the inside wall of the tube. The tube was then capped under a flow of nitrogen and submerged into a preheated 80 $^\circ$ C oil bath. The reaction was stirred for 24–48 h and cooled to room temperature. The crude reaction mixture was diluted with EtOAc (5 mL) and filtered through a short pad of Celite. The sealed tube and Celite pad were washed with an additional 20 mL of EtOAc. The filtrate was concentrated *in vacuo*, and the resulting residue was purified by preparative thin layer chromatography using petroleum ether/EtOAc as the eluent. The site selectivity was assigned by ¹H NMR analysis of the product or the hydrolyzed product with EtOH/HCl (see Section 2.6).

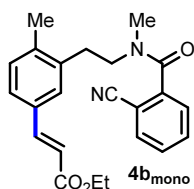


(*E*)-ethyl-3-(3-(2-(2-cyano-*N*-methylbenzamido)ethyl)phenyl)acrylate: The corresponding reaction was run with standard conditions for 32 h. The two rotamers' ratio is about 55:45. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.73-7.66 (m, 0.85H), 7.68-7.58 (m, 1.37H), 7.56 (d, J = 16.1 Hz, 0.50H), 7.53-7.40 (m, 2.16H), 7.42-7.31 (m, 2.75H), 7.27 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 0.74H), 7.02 (s, 0.44H), 6.98 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 0.43H), 6.80 (dd, J = 6.0, 2.9 Hz, 0.46H), 6.45 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 0.55H), 6.33 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 0.44H), 4.26 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2.14H), 3.81 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1.12H), 3.45 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 0.92H), 3.20 (s, 1.47H), 3.05 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1.13H), 2.83 (s, 2.67H), 1.37-1.30 (m, 3.28H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 168.0, 167.6, 167.1, 166.9, 144.5, 144.0, 140.6, 140.3, 139.6, 138.5, 135.1, 134.9, 133.2, 133.0, 132.9, 132.7, 131.0, 130.8, 129.6, 129.5, 129.4, 129.3, 128.6, 128.4, 127.6, 127.4, 126.6, 126.4, 118.9, 118.6, 116.9, 116.8, 110.0, 109.8, 60.7, 60.6, 52.4, 49.4, 37.4, 34.4, 33.2, 33.0, 14.4; HRMS (m/z , ESI-TOF): Calcd for C₂₂H₂₃N₂O₃⁺ [M+H⁺] 363.1703, found 363.1703.



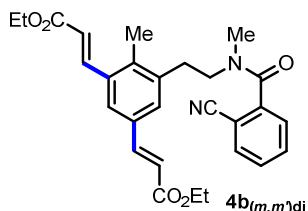
(*2E,2'E*)-diethyl-3,3'-(5-(2-(2-cyano-*N*-methylbenzamido)ethyl)-1,3-phenylene)diacrylate: The two rotamers' ratio is about 3:2. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.74-7.59 (m, 3.17H), 7.57 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 0.81H), 7.55-7.44 (m, 3.66H), 7.37 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 0.61H),

7.06 (s, 0.72H), 6.92-6.84 (m, 0.38H), 6.49 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 1.17H), 6.37 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 0.78H), 4.27 (q, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 4.27H), 3.82 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1.19H), 3.49 (t, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 0.79H), 3.20 (s, 1.30H), 3.08 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1.24H), 2.91-2.79 (m, 2.69H), 1.39-1.30 (m, 6.41H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.9, 167.7, 166.8, 166.6, 143.6, 143.1, 140.5, 140.3, 140.2, 139.2, 135.8, 135.6, 133.2, 133.0, 132.8, 130.1, 129.7, 129.6, 129.5, 127.6, 127.4, 126.1, 119.9, 119.6, 116.8, 116.8, 110.0, 109.9, 60.8, 60.7, 52.2, 49.3, 37.4, 34.3, 33.1, 33.0, 14.4; HRMS (m/z , ESI-TOF): Calcd for $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{29}\text{N}_2\text{O}_5^+$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}^+$] 461.2071, found 461.2062.



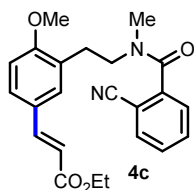
(*E*)-ethyl-3-(3-(2-(2-cyano-*N*-methylbenzamido)ethyl)-4-methylphenyl)

acrylate: The corresponding reaction was run with standard conditions and DMF (5 equiv) at 90 °C for 36 h. The two rotamers' ratio is about 54:46. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.75-7.60 (m, 2.09H), 7.59-7.37 (m, 3.01H), 7.31 (t, $J = 9.9$ Hz, 1.00H), 7.19 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 0.60H), 7.07 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 0.44H), 7.00 (s, 0.44H), 6.96 (d, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 0.41H), 6.42 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 0.54H), 6.31 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 0.46H), 4.26 (q, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 2.00H), 3.74 (t, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 1.09H), 3.40 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 0.92H), 3.25 (s, 1.29H), 3.06 (t, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1.09H), 2.91 (s, 1.69H), 2.83 (t, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 0.93H), 2.46 (s, 1.68H), 2.00 (s, 1.29H), 1.34 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 3.00H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.9, 167.6, 167.2, 167.0, 144.5, 144.0, 140.6, 140.3, 139.4, 138.8, 137.5, 136.4, 133.2, 133.0, 133.0, 132.8, 132.7, 132.5, 131.3, 131.1, 129.6, 129.4, 129.4, 129.3, 127.6, 127.4, 126.6, 126.5, 117.9, 117.5, 116.8, 116.8, 110.0, 109.9, 60.6, 60.5, 51.3, 48.3, 37.2, 33.2, 32.0, 30.8, 19.4, 18.9, 14.4; HRMS (m/z , ESI-TOF): Calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{25}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3^+$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}^+$] 377.1860, found 377.1857.



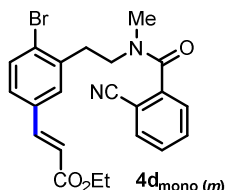
(*2E,2'E*)-diethyl-3,3'-(5-(2-(2-cyano-*N*-methylbenzamido)ethyl)-4-

methyl-1,3-phenylene)diacrylate: The two rotamers' ratio is about 3:2. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.03 (d, $J = 15.8$ Hz, 0.62H), 7.85 (d, $J = 15.8$ Hz, 0.45H), 7.72 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 0.66H), 7.71-7.61 (m, 1.63H), 7.61-7.38 (m, 4.02H), 7.09 (s, 0.38H), 7.00-6.89 (m, 0.38H), 6.47 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 0.60H), 6.42-6.27 (m, 1.40H), 4.36-4.21 (m, 4.04H), 3.73 (dd, $J = 9.0, 6.9$ Hz, 1.17H), 3.42 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 0.84H), 3.26 (s, 1.24H), 3.13 (dd, $J = 6.5, 3.7$ Hz, 1.20H), 2.94 (s, 1.80H), 2.89 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 0.80H), 2.52 (s, 1.73H), 1.95 (s, 1.12H), 1.44-1.30 (m, 6.07H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.9, 167.7, 167.0, 166.8, 166.8, 166.7, 143.8, 143.3, 142.6, 142.1, 140.5, 140.2, 138.5, 138.5, 137.7, 137.4, 135.6, 135.5, 133.3, 133.0, 133.0, 132.8, 132.8, 132.6, 130.7, 130.7, 129.7, 129.6, 127.7, 127.5, 125.3, 125.2, 121.5, 121.2, 119.0, 118.6, 116.9, 116.8, 110.1, 110.0, 60.9, 60.8, 60.7, 51.2, 48.6, 37.4, 33.3, 32.8, 31.5, 15.6, 15.0, 14.4; HRMS (m/z , ESI-TOF): Calcd for $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{31}\text{N}_2\text{O}_5^+$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}^+$] 475.2227, found 475.2220.



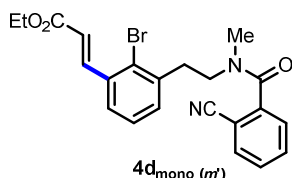
(E)-ethyl-3-(3-(2-(2-cyano-N-methylbenzamido)ethyl)-4-methoxyphenyl)

acrylate: The corresponding reaction was run with standard conditions and DMF (5 equiv) for 24 h. The two rotamers' ratio is about 2:3. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.68 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 0.46H), 7.66-7.57 (m, 1.54H), 7.54 (d, $J = 15.9$ Hz, 0.66H), 7.50-7.42 (m, 2.03H), 7.42-7.34 (m, 1.09H), 7.31 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 0.42H), 7.08 (s, 0.56H), 6.91-6.83 (m, 1.00H), 6.73 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 0.58H), 6.33 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 0.40H), 6.22 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 0.58H), 4.24 (q, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2.16H), 3.89 (s, 1.25H), 3.79 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 0.88H), 3.60 (s, 1.82H), 3.42 (t, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 1.25H), 3.20 (s, 1.93H), 3.03 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 0.84H), 2.84-2.78 (m, 2.52H), 1.32 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 3.16H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.9, 167.6, 167.4, 167.2, 159.7, 159.4, 144.3, 143.9, 140.9, 140.6, 133.1, 133.0, 132.8, 132.6, 130.3, 130.2, 129.4, 129.1, 128.8, 127.9, 127.8, 127.4, 127.3, 127.1, 126.6, 116.9, 116.3, 116.0, 110.7, 110.6, 110.0, 60.5, 60.4, 55.7, 55.3, 50.8, 47.5, 37.3, 33.0, 29.5, 28.4, 14.4; HRMS (m/z , ESI-TOF): Calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{25}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}^+]$ 393.1809, found 393.1805.



(E)-ethyl-3-(4-bromo-3-(2-(2-cyano-N-methylbenzamido)ethyl)phenyl)

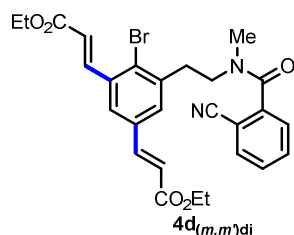
acrylate: The corresponding reaction was run with standard conditions and ethyl acrylate (2.5 equiv) at 90 °C for 36 h using HFIP as the sole solvent. The two rotamers' ratio is about 54:46. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.72 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 0.54H), 7.70-7.63 (m, 1.29H), 7.60 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 0.55H), 7.58-7.48 (m, 2.86H), 7.45 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 0.57H), 7.42 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 0.54H), 7.28 (d, $J = 2.6$ Hz, 0.48H), 7.25 (dd, $J = 6.0, 2.2$ Hz, 0.56H), 7.14 (d, $J = 1.9$ Hz, 0.52H), 7.01 (dd, $J = 7.4, 1.5$ Hz, 0.47H), 6.48 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 0.52H), 6.37 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 0.45H), 4.31-4.23 (m, 2.00H), 3.82 (dd, $J = 8.4, 6.9$ Hz, 1.08H), 3.50 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 0.97H), 3.26 (s, 1.44H), 3.21 (dd, $J = 8.7, 6.6$ Hz, 1.08H), 2.97 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 0.99H), 2.89 (s, 1.66H), 1.38-1.31 (m, 3.07H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 168.0, 167.8, 166.8, 166.6, 143.1, 142.7, 140.6, 140.3, 138.9, 137.7, 134.5, 134.4, 133.8, 133.6, 133.2, 133.1, 133.1, 132.9, 130.9, 130.6, 129.6, 129.5, 127.8, 127.7, 127.7, 127.5, 126.4, 126.4, 119.7, 119.5, 116.9, 116.9, 110.1, 110.1, 60.8, 60.7, 50.6, 47.8, 37.4, 35.1, 33.7, 33.3, 14.4; HRMS (m/z , ESI-TOF): Calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{22}\text{BrN}_2\text{O}_3$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}^+]$ 441.0808, found 441.0818.



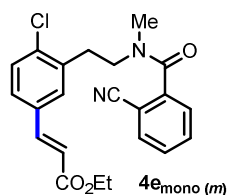
(E)-ethyl-3-(2-bromo-3-(2-(2-cyano-N-methylbenzamido)ethyl)

phenyl)acrylate: The two rotamers' ratio is about 1:1. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.14 (d, $J = 15.9$ Hz, 0.43H), 7.93 (d, $J = 15.9$ Hz, 0.47H), 7.72 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 0.53H), 7.70-7.61 (m, 1.05H), 7.55-7.40 (m, 3.63H), 7.34-7.23 (m, 1.13H), 7.10 (dd, $J = 7.5, 1.4$ Hz, 0.49H), 6.84-6.79 (m, 0.45H), 6.41-6.30 (m, 0.90H), 4.28 (q, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2.07H), 3.82 (dd, $J = 8.5, 6.7$ Hz, 0.99H), 3.54 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 1.00H), 3.31-3.18 (m, 2.67H), 3.00 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 1.11H), 2.88 (s, 1.47H), 1.35 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 3.01H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 168.0, 167.6, 166.4, 166.3, 143.8, 143.4, 140.5, 140.0, 139.5, 138.2, 135.9, 135.6, 133.1, 133.0, 132.8, 132.7, 132.4, 129.5, 129.4,

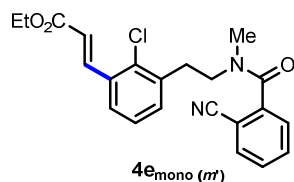
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(2E,2'E)-diethyl-3,3'-(4-bromo-5-(2-(2-cyano-N-methylbenzamido)ethyl)-1,3-phenylene)diacrylate: The two rotamers' ratio is about 53:47. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.10 (d, *J* = 15.9 Hz, 0.53H), 7.91 (d, *J* = 15.9 Hz, 0.47H), 7.73 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 0.60H), 7.71-7.63 (m, 1.43H), 7.63-7.55 (m, 1.80H), 7.57-7.46 (m, 1.81H), 7.43 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 0.60H), 7.20 (d, *J* = 1.6 Hz, 0.41H), 7.01-6.96 (m, 0.39H), 6.53 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 0.52H), 6.48-6.33 (m, 1.37H), 4.34-4.23 (m, 4.10H), 3.90-3.80 (m, 1.07H), 3.54 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 0.92H), 3.33-3.21 (m, 2.56H), 3.03 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 0.94H), 2.92 (s, 1.52H), 1.40-1.31 (m, 6.18H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.9, 167.8, 166.5, 166.3, 166.2, 166.1, 143.3, 142.8, 142.4, 142.0, 140.5, 140.3, 140.1, 139.0, 136.7, 136.4, 134.3, 134.2, 133.2, 133.0, 133.0, 132.9, 131.3, 131.0, 129.6, 129.6, 128.6, 128.4, 127.6, 127.4, 125.9, 125.9, 122.6, 122.3, 120.5, 120.3, 116.9, 116.8, 110.1, 110.0, 61.0, 60.9, 60.8, 50.2, 47.6, 37.4, 35.7, 34.3, 33.3, 14.4; HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for $C_{27}H_{28}BrN_2O_5^+$ [M+H⁺] 539.1176, found 539.1185.

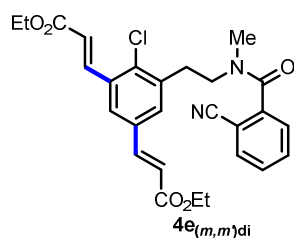


(E)-ethyl-3-(4-chloro-3-(2-(2-cyano-N-methylbenzamido)ethyl)phenyl)acrylate: The corresponding reaction was run with standard conditions and ethyl acrylate (2.5 equiv) at 90 °C for 48 h using HFIP as the sole solvent. The two rotamers' ratio is about 53:47. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.72 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 0.53H), 7.72-7.59 (m, 1.54H), 7.59-7.45 (m, 2.53H), 7.44-7.31 (m, 2.13H), 7.30-7.24 (m, 0.95H), 7.15 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 0.50H), 7.01 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 0.50H), 6.46 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 0.53H), 6.35 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 0.47H), 4.27 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2.00H), 3.83 (dd, *J* = 8.6, 6.5 Hz, 1.06H), 3.49 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 0.94H), 3.25 (s, 1.38H), 3.20 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 6.6 Hz, 1.07H), 2.96 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 0.94H), 2.88 (s, 1.61H), 1.34 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3.05H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 168.0, 167.7, 166.9, 166.7, 143.1, 142.7, 140.6, 140.3, 137.2, 136.0, 136.0, 133.9, 133.8, 133.2, 133.1, 132.9, 131.0, 130.7, 130.4, 130.3, 129.6, 129.5, 127.7, 127.7, 127.5, 119.6, 119.4, 116.9, 116.9, 110.1, 60.8, 60.7, 50.5, 47.7, 37.4, 33.3, 32.7, 31.3, 14.4; HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for $C_{22}H_{22}ClN_2O_3^+$ [M+H⁺] 397.1313, found 397.1324.

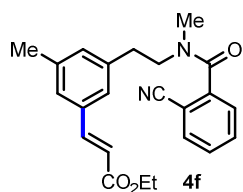


(E)-ethyl-3-(2-chloro-3-(2-(2-cyano-N-methylbenzamido)ethyl)phenyl)acrylate: The two rotamers' ratio is about 1:1. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.17 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 0.43H), 7.96 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 0.47H), 7.72 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 0.55H), 7.71-7.62 (m, 1.09H), 7.57-7.50 (m, 1.53H), 7.50-7.39 (m, 2.19H), 7.28 (t, *J* = 3.8 Hz, 0.57H), 7.23 (t, *J* = 7.7

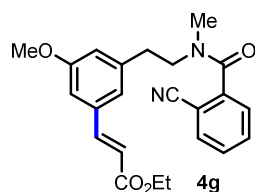
Hz, 0.51H), 7.12 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 0.50H), 6.88-6.81 (m, 0.48H), 6.45-6.35 (m, 1.00H), 4.29 (q, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2.11H), 3.84 (dd, $J = 8.6, 6.5$ Hz, 1.05H), 3.53 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 1.09H), 3.31-3.19 (m, 2.63H), 2.99 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 1.06H), 2.87 (s, 1.50H), 1.36 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 3.18H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 168.1, 167.7, 166.6, 166.4, 141.1, 140.6, 140.1, 137.8, 136.4, 134.8, 134.7, 133.9, 133.7, 133.2, 133.1, 132.9, 132.9, 132.8, 132.6, 129.6, 129.5, 127.6, 127.4, 127.3, 127.2, 126.7, 126.4, 121.6, 121.3, 116.9, 116.8, 110.1, 110.0, 60.9, 60.8, 50.1, 47.7, 37.4, 33.2, 33.2, 31.7, 14.4; HRMS (m/z , ESI-TOF): Calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{22}\text{ClN}_2\text{O}_3^+$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}^+]$ 397.1313, found 397.1324.



(2E,2'E)-diethyl-3,3'-(4-chloro-5-(2-(2-cyano-N-methylbenzamido)ethyl)-1,3-phenylene)diacrylate: The two rotamers' ratio is about 55:45. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.09 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 0.52H), 7.89 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 0.43H), 7.69 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 0.58H), 7.67-7.56 (m, 3.05H), 7.53 (d, $J = 16.3$ Hz, 0.64H), 7.51-7.43 (m, 1.28H), 7.39 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 0.56H), 7.19 (d, $J = 1.8$ Hz, 0.47H), 7.02-6.93 (m, 0.45H), 6.48 (d, $J = 16.1$ Hz, 0.51H), 6.46-6.34 (m, 1.42H), 4.31-4.19 (m, 4.00H), 3.85-3.77 (m, 1.09H), 3.49 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 0.91H), 3.26-3.17 (m, 2.47H), 2.98 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 0.91H), 2.87 (s, 1.55H), 1.36-1.27 (m, 6.01H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.9, 167.7, 166.5, 166.3, 166.3, 166.1, 142.4, 142.0, 140.5, 140.4, 140.1, 140.0, 138.4, 137.1, 136.1, 136.0, 134.5, 134.3, 133.7, 133.6, 133.2, 133.0, 132.9, 132.8, 131.5, 131.2, 129.6, 129.6, 127.5, 127.4, 125.9, 125.8, 122.5, 122.2, 120.4, 120.2, 116.8, 116.8, 110.1, 110.0, 61.0, 60.9, 60.8, 60.7, 50.1, 47.5, 37.4, 33.2, 33.2, 31.7, 14.3; HRMS (m/z , ESI-TOF): Calcd for $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{28}\text{ClN}_2\text{O}_5^+$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}^+]$ 495.1681, found 495.1689.

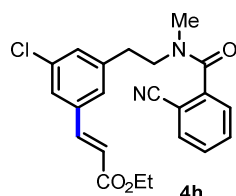


(E)-ethyl-3-(3-(2-(2-cyano-N-methylbenzamido)ethyl)-5-methylphenyl)acrylate: The corresponding reaction was run with standard conditions and DMF (5 equiv) for 32 h. The two rotamers' ratio is about 53:47. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.69 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 0.61H), 7.68-7.58 (m, 1.54H), 7.53 (d, $J = 16.4$ Hz, 0.66H), 7.51-7.41 (m, 1.34H), 7.37 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 0.57H), 7.27 (s, 0.57H), 7.20 (s, 1.01H), 7.16 (s, 0.49H), 6.86-6.69 (m, 1.39H), 6.43 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 0.50H), 6.31 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 0.44H), 4.25 (q, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2.02H), 3.78 (dd, $J = 8.8, 6.5$ Hz, 1.05H), 3.44 (t, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 0.95H), 3.19 (s, 1.43H), 3.00 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1.05H), 2.83 (s, 1.58H), 2.78 (t, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 0.95H), 2.35 (s, 1.57H), 2.28 (s, 1.44H), 1.36-1.28 (m, 3.03H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.9, 167.6, 167.1, 166.9, 144.6, 144.2, 140.7, 140.3, 139.4, 139.2, 138.9, 138.3, 135.0, 134.8, 133.2, 133.0, 132.8, 132.7, 131.9, 131.7, 129.5, 129.3, 127.7, 127.4, 127.2, 127.1, 125.8, 125.6, 118.6, 118.3, 116.9, 116.8, 110.0, 109.8, 60.6, 60.5, 52.4, 49.5, 37.4, 34.2, 33.1, 32.9, 21.3, 21.2, 14.4; HRMS (m/z , ESI-TOF): Calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{25}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3^+$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}^+]$ 377.1860, found 377.1856.



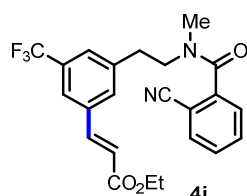
(E)-ethyl-3-(3-(2-(2-cyano-N-methylbenzamido)ethyl)-5-methoxyphenyl)

acrylate: The corresponding reaction was run with standard conditions and DMF (5 equiv) for 32 h. The two rotamers' ratio is about 54:46. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.69 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 0.65H), 7.67-7.57 (m, 1.68H), 7.56-7.38 (m, 2.22H), 7.36 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 0.56H), 7.06 (s, 0.49H), 6.94-6.83 (m, 1.96H), 6.62 (s, 0.40H), 6.49 (s, 0.43H), 6.43 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 0.51H), 6.31 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 0.44H), 4.25 (q, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 2.15H), 3.84-3.77 (m, 2.77H), 3.75 (s, 1.48H), 3.45 (t, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 0.91H), 3.18 (s, 1.37H), 3.01 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1.09H), 2.83 (s, 1.58H), 2.78 (t, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 0.93H), 1.36-1.29 (m, 3.32H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 168.0, 167.6, 167.0, 166.8, 160.3, 160.3, 144.5, 144.0, 141.0, 140.7, 140.3, 139.8, 136.3, 136.1, 133.2, 133.0, 132.9, 132.7, 129.6, 129.4, 127.7, 127.4, 121.4, 121.1, 119.1, 118.9, 116.9, 116.8, 116.7, 111.4, 111.2, 110.0, 109.9, 60.7, 60.6, 55.5, 55.4, 52.3, 49.3, 37.4, 34.5, 33.4, 33.0, 14.4; HRMS (m/z , ESI-TOF): Calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{25}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}^+]$ 393.1809, found 393.1805.



(E)-ethyl-3-(3-chloro-5-(2-(2-cyano-N-methylbenzamido)ethyl)

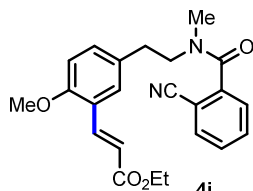
phenyl)acrylate: The corresponding reaction was run with standard conditions and DMF (5 equiv) for 32 h. The two rotamers' ratio is about 3:2. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.73-7.57 (m, 2.11H), 7.56 (s, 0.38H), 7.54-7.44 (m, 1.93H), 7.41-7.32 (m, 2.15H), 7.30 (s, 0.56H), 6.95-6.83 (m, 1.07H), 6.44 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 0.58H), 6.33 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 0.38H), 4.24 (q, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 2.07H), 3.78 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1.28H), 3.45 (t, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 0.78H), 3.17 (s, 1.32H), 3.02 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1.26H), 2.84 (s, 1.79H), 2.84-2.76 (m, 0.87H), 1.31 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 3.15H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.9, 167.7, 166.6, 166.4, 142.9, 142.4, 141.4, 140.5, 140.3, 140.1, 136.7, 136.6, 135.3, 135.0, 133.2, 133.0, 132.8, 130.5, 130.3, 129.6, 129.6, 127.6, 127.4, 127.0, 126.7, 126.2, 126.1, 120.4, 120.1, 116.8, 116.7, 110.0, 109.8, 60.8, 60.7, 52.0, 49.2, 37.4, 34.1, 32.9, 14.3; HRMS (m/z , ESI-TOF): Calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{22}\text{ClN}_2\text{O}_3$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}^+]$ 397.1313, found 397.1309.



(E)-ethyl-3-(3-(2-(2-cyano-N-methylbenzamido)ethyl)-5-(trifluoromethyl)

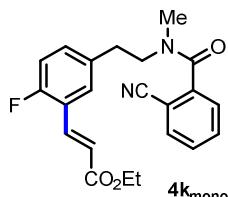
phenyl)acrylate: The corresponding reaction was run with standard conditions at 90 °C for 48 h using HFIP as the sole solvent. The two rotamers' ratio is about 65:35. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.80-7.60 (m, 3.97H), 7.58 (d, $J = 3.1$ Hz, 0.70H), 7.55-7.45 (m, 1.61H), 7.39 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 0.76H), 7.25 (s, 0.32H), 7.15 (s, 0.33H), 6.95-6.88 (m, 0.30H), 6.53 (d, $J = 16.1$ Hz, 0.59H), 6.43 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 0.34H), 4.34-4.22 (m, 2.00H), 3.89-3.78 (m, 1.30H), 3.51 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 0.71H), 3.22 (s, 1.03H), 3.14 (dd, $J = 8.8, 6.6$ Hz, 1.31H), 2.95-2.83 (m, 2.74H), 1.40-1.30 (m, 3.00H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.9, 167.8, 166.5, 166.3, 142.6, 142.2, 140.7, 140.4, 140.1, 139.6, 136.0, 135.8, 133.2, 133.0, 133.0, 132.9, 131.9, 131.7, 131.6, 131.5, 131.3, 129.7, 129.6, 129.0, 127.4, 127.4, 127.1 (d, $J_{C-F} = 3.7$ Hz), 126.7 (q, $J_{C-F} = 3.6$ Hz), 125.6, 123.8

(d, $J_{C-F} = 273.7$ Hz), 123.6 (d, $J_{C-F} = 272.7$ Hz), 123.1 (q, $J_{C-F} = 4.1$ Hz), 122.95 (q, $J_{C-F} = 3.6$ Hz), 120.9, 120.6, 116.8, 116.7, 110.0, 109.9, 60.9, 60.8, 52.1, 49.1, 37.4, 34.3, 33.0, 33.0, 14.3; HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for $C_{23}H_{22}F_3N_2O_3^+$ [M+H⁺] 431.1577, found 431.1586.



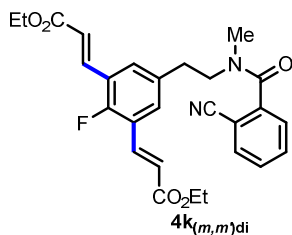
(E)-ethyl-3-(5-(2-(2-cyano-N-methylbenzamido)ethyl)-2-methoxyphenyl)

acrylate: The corresponding reaction was run with standard conditions and DMF (5 equiv) for 48 h. The two rotamers' ratio is about 55:45. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.97 (d, $J = 16.2$ Hz, 0.54H), 7.86 (d, $J = 16.2$ Hz, 0.45H), 7.71 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 0.56H), 7.69-7.59 (m, 1.03H), 7.55-7.41 (m, 2.09H), 7.37 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 0.54H), 7.32 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 0.47H), 7.00-6.78 (m, 2.42H), 6.56 (d, $J = 16.2$ Hz, 0.54H), 6.36 (d, $J = 16.2$ Hz, 0.45H), 4.26 (q, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2.06H), 3.88 (s, 3.03H), 3.78 (dd, $J = 8.8, 6.5$ Hz, 1.10H), 3.43 (t, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 0.90H), 3.19 (s, 1.40H), 2.99 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1.10H), 2.84 (s, 1.60H), 2.77 (t, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 0.90H), 1.34 (td, $J = 7.1, 3.0$ Hz, 3.03H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 168.0, 167.6, 167.6, 167.4, 157.4, 157.2, 140.7, 140.3, 139.9, 139.6, 133.2, 133.0, 132.9, 132.8, 132.0, 131.8, 130.9, 129.7, 129.5, 129.4, 129.3, 129.1, 127.7, 127.4, 123.8, 123.6, 119.4, 119.1, 116.9, 116.8, 111.6, 111.6, 110.1, 109.9, 60.5, 60.4, 55.8, 55.7, 52.7, 49.6, 37.4, 33.6, 33.0, 32.5, 14.5; HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for $C_{23}H_{25}N_2O_4^+$ [M+H⁺] 393.1809, found 393.1804.



(E)-ethyl-3-(5-(2-(2-cyano-N-methylbenzamido)ethyl)-2-fluorophenyl)

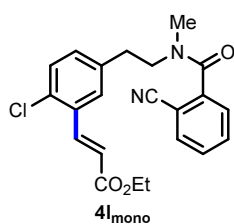
acrylate: The corresponding reaction was run with standard conditions at 90 °C for 36 h. The two rotamers' ratio is about 3:2. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.79 (d, $J = 16.2$ Hz, 0.58H), 7.75-7.58 (m, 2.00H), 7.56-7.42 (m, 2.00H), 7.41-7.29 (m, 1.20H), 7.11-6.90 (m, 2.20H), 6.57 (d, $J = 16.2$ Hz, 0.57H), 6.41 (d, $J = 16.2$ Hz, 0.38H), 4.27 (q, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 2.00H), 3.80 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1.21H), 3.45 (t, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 0.77H), 3.20 (s, 1.19H), 3.03 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1.25H), 2.91-2.75 (m, 2.66H), 1.34 (t, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 3.08H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.9, 167.7, 166.9, 166.6, 160.3 (d, $J_{C-F} = 254$ Hz), 160.3 (d, $J_{C-F} = 254$ Hz), 140.5, 140.2, 137.1, 136.7, 135.0 (d, $J_{C-F} = 4$ Hz), 134.0 (d, $J_{C-F} = 4$ Hz), 133.2, 133.0, 133.0, 132.8, 132.2 (d, $J_{C-F} = 9$ Hz), 131.9 (d, $J_{C-F} = 9$ Hz), 129.6, 129.5, 129.33 (d, $J_{C-F} = 3$ Hz), 129.14 (d, $J_{C-F} = 3$ Hz), 127.5, 127.4, 122.8 (d, $J_{C-F} = 12$ Hz), 122.5 (d, $J_{C-F} = 12$ Hz), 121.4 (d, $J_{C-F} = 7$ Hz), 121.1 (d, $J_{C-F} = 7$ Hz), 116.8, 116.7 (d, $J_{C-F} = 5$ Hz), 116.5 (d, $J_{C-F} = 3$ Hz), 116.3, 110.0, 109.9, 60.8, 60.7, 52.5, 49.4, 37.4, 33.7, 33.0, 32.5, 14.4; HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for $C_{22}H_{22}FN_2O_3^+$ [M+H⁺] 381.1609, found 381.1605.



(2E,2'E)-diethyl-3,3'-(5-(2-(2-cyano-N-methylbenzamido)ethyl)-2-

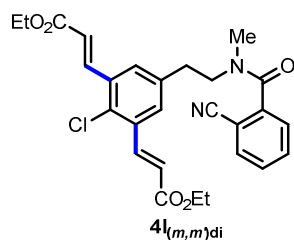
fluoro-1,3-phenylene)diacrylate: The two rotamers' ratio is about 2:1. ¹H NMR (400 MHz,

CDCl₃) δ 7.82 (d, J = 16.2 Hz, 1.30H), 7.77-7.61 (m, 2.50H), 7.57-7.46 (m, 2.75H), 7.39 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 0.70H), 7.08 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 0.70H), 7.01 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 0.33H), 6.58 (d, J = 16.2 Hz, 1.27H), 6.42 (d, J = 16.2 Hz, 0.64H), 4.34-4.24 (m, 4.11H), 3.81 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1.34H), 3.49 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 0.66H), 3.21 (s, 1.05H), 3.05 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1.37H), 2.92-2.80 (m, 2.84H), 1.40-1.31 (m, 6.21H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.9, 167.8, 166.7, 166.5, 158.6 (d, J_{C-F} = 263 Hz), 158.5 (d, J_{C-F} = 262 Hz), 140.5, 140.2, 136.4 (d, J_{C-F} = 4 Hz), 136.0 (d, J_{C-F} = 3 Hz), 135.2 (d, J_{C-F} = 4 Hz), 134.1 (d, J_{C-F} = 3 Hz), 133.3, 133.1, 133.0, 133.0, 130.7 (d, J_{C-F} = 3 Hz), 130.3 (d, J_{C-F} = 3 Hz), 129.7, 127.7, 127.4, 123.8 (d, J_{C-F} = 12 Hz), 123.6 (d, J_{C-F} = 13 Hz), 122.3 (d, J_{C-F} = 7 Hz), 122.0 (d, J_{C-F} = 6 Hz), 116.9, 116.8, 110.0, 61.0, 60.8, 52.3, 49.3, 37.4, 33.9, 33.1, 32.6, 14.4; HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C₂₇H₂₈FN₂O₅⁺ [M+H⁺] 479.1977, found 479.1966.



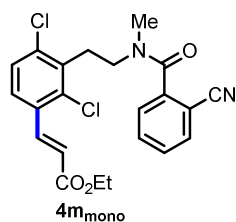
(E)-ethyl-3-(2-chloro-5-(2-(2-cyano-N-methylbenzamido)ethyl)phenyl)

acrylate: The corresponding reaction was run with standard conditions at 90 °C for 36 h. The NMR sample contains about 6% isomer. The two rotamers' ratio is about 5:3. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.06 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 0.57H), 7.99 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 0.36H), 7.77-7.60 (m, 1.76H), 7.58 (s, 0.65H), 7.55-7.45 (m, 1.44H), 7.38 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1.21H), 7.34-7.25 (m, 1.23H), 7.13 (s, 0.36H), 6.92 (t, J = 9.7 Hz, 0.75H), 6.49 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 0.57H), 6.24 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 0.33H), 4.28 (q, J = 6.8 Hz, 2.02H), 3.81 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1.25H), 3.46 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 0.75H), 3.20 (s, 1.16H), 3.04 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1.25H), 2.86 (s, 1.83H), 2.82 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 0.83H), 1.39-1.30 (m, 3.03H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.9, 167.7, 166.6, 166.3, 140.5, 140.2, 140.1, 139.9, 138.0, 136.9, 133.5, 133.2, 133.2, 133.1, 133.0, 132.9, 132.8, 131.7, 131.4, 130.5, 130.4, 129.6, 129.5, 128.1, 127.9, 127.6, 127.4, 121.4, 121.2, 116.8, 116.8, 110.0, 109.9, 60.8, 60.7, 52.4, 49.2, 37.4, 34.0, 33.1, 32.7, 14.4; HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C₂₂H₂₂ClN₂O₃⁺ [M+H⁺] 397.1313, found 397.1309.



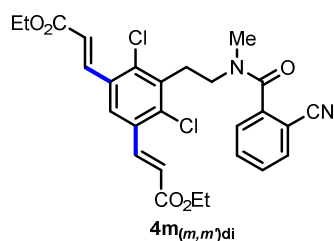
(2E,2'E)-diethyl-3,3'-(2-chloro-5-(2-(2-cyano-N-methylbenzamido)

ethyl)-1,3-phenylene)diacrylate: The two rotamers' ratio is about 65:35. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.11 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1.23H), 8.04 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 0.63H), 7.76-7.63 (m, 1.88H), 7.60 (s, 1.23H), 7.56-7.47 (m, 1.38H), 7.39 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 0.71H), 7.15 (s, 0.65H), 6.98 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 0.30H), 6.47 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1.29H), 6.24 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 0.67H), 4.29 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 4.00H), 3.83 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1.30H), 3.49 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 0.70H), 3.22 (s, 1.00H), 3.06 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 1.30H), 2.90 (s, 2.00H), 2.84 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 0.73H), 1.41-1.31 (m, 6.02H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.9, 167.8, 166.4, 166.2, 140.4, 140.4, 140.1, 140.0, 137.9, 136.9, 134.6, 134.4, 133.6, 133.4, 133.3, 133.1, 133.0, 132.9, 129.7, 129.5, 129.1, 127.7, 127.4, 122.4, 122.2, 116.8, 116.8, 110.0, 110.0, 61.0, 60.9, 52.3, 49.1, 37.4, 34.1, 33.1, 32.8, 14.4; HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C₂₇H₂₈ClN₂O₅⁺ [M+H⁺] 495.1681, found 495.1669.



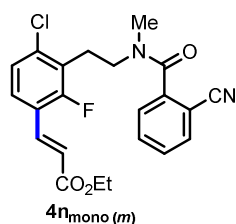
(E)-ethyl-3-(2,4-dichloro-3-(2-(2-cyano-N-methylbenzamido)ethyl)phenyl)

acrylate: The corresponding reaction was run with standard conditions at 90 °C for 48 h using HFIP as the sole solvent. The two rotamers' ratio is about 62:38. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.08 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 0.36H), 7.90 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 0.59H), 7.75-7.63 (m, 1.45H), 7.58 (td, $J = 7.7$, 1.4 Hz, 0.65H), 7.55-7.38 (m, 2.47H), 7.35 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 0.40H), 7.32-7.21 (m, 1.34H), 6.44-6.30 (m, 0.97H), 4.33-4.22 (m, 2.00H), 3.82 (dd, $J = 8.7$, 6.3 Hz, 0.79H), 3.50-3.36 (m, 2H), 3.30 (s, 1.90H), 3.20 (dd, $J = 9.4$, 6.2 Hz, 1.30H), 2.96 (s, 1.16H), 1.39-1.30 (m, 3.03H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.8, 167.6, 166.2, 166.1, 140.5, 140.2, 139.7, 137.1, 136.8, 136.1, 135.8, 135.8, 134.2, 133.1, 132.9, 132.9, 132.9, 132.6, 132.4, 129.5, 129.4, 128.3, 128.3, 127.4, 126.7, 126.5, 122.0, 121.7, 116.8, 110.1, 109.9, 60.8, 60.8, 48.6, 45.9, 37.1, 33.3, 30.6, 29.3, 14.3; HRMS (m/z , ESI-TOF): Calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{21}\text{Cl}_2\text{N}_2\text{O}_3^+$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}^+$] 431.0924, found 431.0934.



(2E,2'E)-diethyl-3,3'-(4,6-dichloro-5-(2-(2-cyano-N-methylbenz

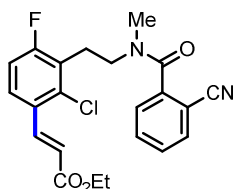
amido)ethyl)-1,3-phenylene)diacrylate: The two rotamers' ratio is about 60:40. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.04 (d, $J = 15.9$ Hz, 0.74H), 7.88 (d, $J = 15.9$ Hz, 1.11H), 7.73 (s, 0.40H), 7.71-7.61 (m, 2.12H), 7.57 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 0.63H), 7.49 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1.06H), 7.43 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 0.40H), 7.29 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 0.58H), 6.46-6.33 (m, 1.80H), 4.32-4.19 (m, 4.00H), 3.80 (dd, $J = 8.9$, 6.2 Hz, 0.80H), 3.47 (dd, $J = 8.8$, 6.3 Hz, 0.80H), 3.39 (dd, $J = 9.7$, 6.2 Hz, 1.20H), 3.28 (s, 1.80H), 3.23 (dd, $J = 9.9$, 6.0 Hz, 1.20H), 2.96 (s, 1.20H), 1.40-1.30 (m, 6.04H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.9, 167.7, 166.1, 165.9, 140.5, 140.3, 140.0, 139.5, 137.1, 136.9, 136.7, 135.3, 133.2, 133.0, 133.0, 132.8, 132.6, 129.6, 127.5, 124.8, 124.6, 122.8, 122.5, 116.8, 116.8, 110.3, 110.0, 61.0, 61.0, 48.5, 45.8, 37.2, 33.4, 31.3, 29.9, 14.3; HRMS (m/z , ESI-TOF): Calcd for $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{27}\text{Cl}_2\text{N}_2\text{O}_5^+$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}^+$] 529.1392, found 529.1297.



(E)-ethyl-3-(4-chloro-3-(2-(2-cyano-N-methylbenzamido)ethyl)-2-fluoro

phenyl)acrylate: The corresponding reaction was run with standard conditions and ethyl acrylate (2.5 equiv) at 90 °C for 48 h using HFIP as the sole solvent. The two rotamers' ratio is about 56:44. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.78 (d, $J = 16.3$ Hz, 0.43H), 7.73-7.59 (m, 1.98H), 7.59-7.45 (m, 1.73H), 7.44-7.32 (m, 1.39H), 7.23 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 0.42H), 7.14-7.06 (m, 1.04H), 6.52 (d, $J = 16.2$ Hz, 0.41H), 6.44 (d, $J = 16.1$ Hz, 0.52H), 4.28 (q, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 2.00H), 3.83 (t, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 0.89H), 3.45 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 1.17H), 3.33-3.21 (m, 2.61H), 3.04 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 1.16H), 2.93 (s, 1.31H), 1.34 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 3.02H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.9, 167.6, 166.6,

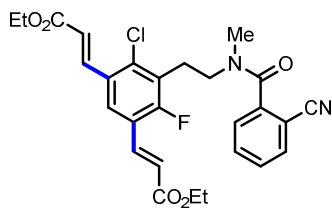
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(E)-ethyl-3-(2-chloro-3-(2-(2-cyano-N-methylbenzamido)ethyl)-4-fluoro

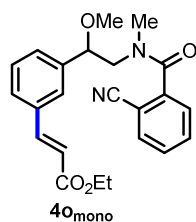
phenyl)acrylate: The two rotamers' ratio is about 62:38. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.06 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 0.35H), 7.87 (d, $J = 15.9$ Hz, 0.57H), 7.75-7.58 (m, 1.60H), 7.55-7.43 (m, 2.63H), 7.40 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 0.40H), 7.08-6.93 (m, 1.50H), 6.39-6.27 (m, 0.90H), 4.26 (q, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2.00H), 3.81 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 0.84H), 3.45 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1.20H), 3.33-3.19 (m, 2.72H), 3.07-2.99 (m, 1.21H), 2.90 (s, 1.20H), 1.32 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 3.03H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.9, 167.7, 166.4, 166.3, 162.4 (d, $J_{C-F} = 254$ Hz), 162.2 (d, $J_{C-F} = 254$ Hz), 140.5, 140.2, 140.1, 139.7, 136.2 (d, $J_{C-F} = 6$ Hz), 136.0 (d, $J_{C-F} = 5$ Hz), 133.2, 133.0, 132.9, 132.8, 130.0 (d, $J_{C-F} = 4$ Hz), 129.9 (d, $J_{C-F} = 4$ Hz), 129.6, 129.5, 127.5, 127.4, 127.3 (d, $J_{C-F} = 10.0$ Hz), 127.1 (d, $J_{C-F} = 10$ Hz), 125.8 (d, $J_{C-F} = 19$ Hz), 124.2 (d, $J_{C-F} = 19$ Hz), 121.3 (d, $J_{C-F} = 2$ Hz), 121.0 (d, $J_{C-F} = 2$ Hz), 116.8, 116.7, 114.7 (d, $J_{C-F} = 22$ Hz), 114.5 (d, $J_{C-F} = 22$ Hz), 110.1, 110.0, 60.9, 60.8, 49.1, 46.5, 37.2, 33.2, 25.7 (d, $J_{C-F} = 2$ Hz), 24.7 (d, $J_{C-F} = 2$ Hz), 14.4; HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for $C_{22}H_{21}ClFN_2O_3^+$ [M+H⁺] 415.1219, found 415.1227.



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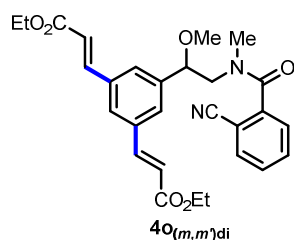
(2E,2'E)-diethyl-3,3'-(4-chloro-5-(2-(2-cyano-N-methylbenzamido)

ethyl)-6-fluoro-1,3-phenylene)diacrylate: The two rotamers' ratio is about 56:44. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.06 (d, $J = 15.9$ Hz, 0.44H), 7.88 (d, $J = 15.9$ Hz, 0.56H), 7.77 (d, $J = 16.2$ Hz, 0.54H), 7.74-7.61 (m, 2.87H), 7.59-7.45 (m, 1.66H), 7.40 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 0.45H), 7.13-7.06 (m, 0.54H), 6.58 (d, $J = 16.2$ Hz, 0.44H), 6.51 (d, $J = 16.2$ Hz, 0.50H), 6.45-6.33 (m, 0.93H), 4.40-4.20 (m, 4.00H), 3.83 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 0.90H), 3.47 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1.10H), 3.37-3.23 (m, 2.55H), 3.08 (t, $J = 6.5$ Hz, 1.11H), 2.95 (s, 1.35H), 1.35 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 6.06H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.8, 167.7, 166.3, 166.1, 166.0, 160.4 (d, $J_{C-F} = 260$ Hz), 160.1 (d, $J_{C-F} = 260$ Hz), 140.3, 140.0, 139.6, 139.1, 137.3 (d, $J_{C-F} = 6$ Hz), 136.9 (d, $J_{C-F} = 6$ Hz), 135.7 (d, $J_{C-F} = 2$ Hz), 135.2 (d, $J_{C-F} = 2$ Hz), 133.1, 133.0, 132.9, 132.9, 130.9, 130.2 (d, $J_{C-F} = 4$ Hz), 130.1 (d, $J_{C-F} = 4$ Hz), 129.6, 129.5, 128.8, 127.4, 127.3, 126.5 (d, $J_{C-F} = 19$ Hz), 125.9 (d, $J_{C-F} = 4$ Hz), 125.8 (d, $J_{C-F} = 4$ Hz), 124.9 (d, $J_{C-F} = 19$ Hz), 122.6 (d, $J_{C-F} = 6$ Hz), 122.3 (d, $J_{C-F} = 6$ Hz), 122.1, 122.0, 121.8, 121.7, 121.6, 116.7, 116.7, 110.1, 110.0, 60.9, 60.8, 49.0, 46.3, 37.1, 33.1, 25.9 (d, $J_{C-F} = 2$ Hz), 24.7 (d, $J_{C-F} = 2$ Hz), 14.3; HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for $C_{27}H_{27}ClFN_2O_5^+$ [M+H⁺] 513.1587, found 513.1593.



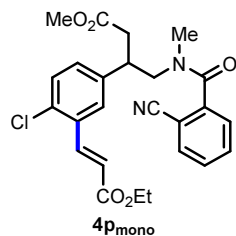
(E)-ethyl-3-(3-(2-(2-cyano-N-methylbenzamido)-1-methoxyethyl) phenyl)

acrylate: The corresponding reaction was run with standard conditions and DMF (5 equiv) for 48 h. The two rotamers' ratio is about 62:38. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.80-7.59 (m, 3.35H), 7.60-7.37 (m, 4.62H), 7.33 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 0.40H), 7.19 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 0.38H), 7.13 (s, 0.35H), 7.06 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 0.36H), 6.50 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 0.58H), 6.35 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 0.36H), 4.74 (dd, *J* = 8.6, 3.4 Hz, 0.60H), 4.39-4.22 (m, 2.42H), 3.99 (dd, *J* = 13.7, 3.5 Hz, 0.60H), 3.55-3.30 (m, 3.45H), 3.30-3.18 (m, 2.50H), 2.97 (s, 2.00H), 1.34 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3.06H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 168.7, 168.0, 167.0, 166.8, 144.3, 143.8, 140.7, 140.5, 140.5, 139.6, 135.2, 135.0, 133.1, 133.0, 132.9, 132.6, 129.5, 129.5, 129.4, 129.3, 128.7, 128.4, 128.4, 128.1, 127.9, 127.2, 126.1, 125.8, 119.1, 118.9, 116.9, 116.8, 110.5, 110.1, 82.1, 81.0, 60.7, 60.6, 57.4, 57.3, 57.2, 54.9, 39.3, 34.1, 14.4; HRMS (*m/z*, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C₂₃H₂₅N₂O₄⁺ [M+H⁺] 393.1809, found 393.1807.



(2E,2'E)-diethyl-3,3'-(5-(2-(2-cyano-N-methylbenzamido)-1-methoxyethyl)-1,3-phenylene)diacrylate:

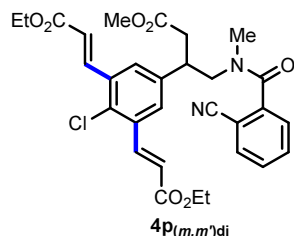
The two rotamers' ratio is about 68:32. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.87-7.46 (m, 7.32H), 7.41 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 0.68H), 7.24 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 0.34H), 7.15 (s, 0.56H), 6.53 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1.29H), 6.38 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 0.64H), 4.77 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 0.68H), 4.46-4.17 (m, 4.32H), 4.03 (d, *J* = 12.7 Hz, 0.66H), 3.53-3.31 (m, 3.41H), 3.26 (s, 2.00H), 3.11-2.93 (m, 2.06H), 1.35 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 6.07H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 168.7, 168.0, 166.7, 166.5, 143.4, 143.0, 141.5, 140.6, 140.5, 140.4, 136.0, 135.8, 133.2, 133.1, 132.7, 129.6, 129.5, 128.1, 127.5, 127.3, 127.2, 120.2, 119.9, 116.9, 116.9, 110.6, 110.1, 82.1, 81.0, 60.8, 60.7, 57.5, 57.4, 55.0, 54.9, 39.4, 34.2, 14.4; HRMS (*m/z*, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C₂₈H₃₁N₂O₆⁺ [M+H⁺] 491.2177, found 491.2166.



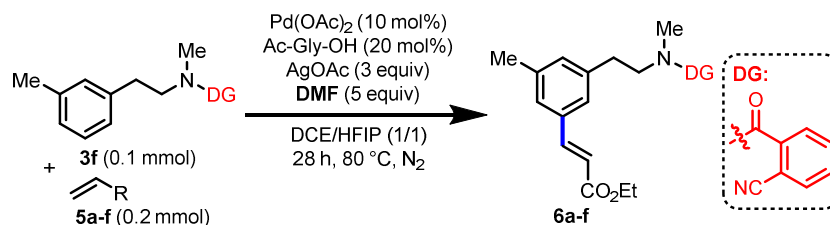
(E)-methyl-3-(4-chloro-3-(3-ethoxy-3-oxoprop-1-enyl)phenyl)-4-(2-cyano-N-methylbenzamido)butanoate:

The corresponding reaction was run with standard conditions at 90 °C for 48 h. The two rotamers' ratio is about 74:26. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.06 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 0.68H), 7.99 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 0.24H), 7.80-7.55 (m, 2.72H), 7.53-7.44 (m, 1.33H), 7.40 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 0.68H), 7.32 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 2.1 Hz, 0.94H), 7.17 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 0.67H), 7.10 (d, *J* = 1.7 Hz, 0.24H), 6.93 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 1.8 Hz, 0.25H), 6.81 (brs, 0.22H), 6.51 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 0.67H), 6.20 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 0.25H), 4.36-4.23 (m, 2.00H), 3.97 (dd, *J* = 13.0, 6.9 Hz,

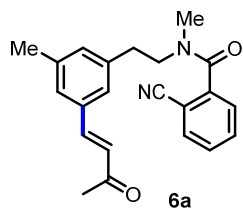
0.68H), 3.83-3.36 (m, 5.49H), 3.16 (s, 0.78H), 2.88 (dd, $J = 16.3, 5.8$ Hz, 0.74H), 2.84-2.69 (m, 2.82H), 2.59-2.44 (m, 0.62H), 1.42-1.31 (m, 3.08H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 172.0, 171.3, 168.2, 167.9, 166.6, 166.3, 140.4, 140.3, 140.2, 139.8, 139.6, 139.5, 134.2, 133.8, 133.4, 133.2, 133.1, 133.1, 133.0, 132.7, 130.8, 130.6, 130.5, 129.7, 129.6, 128.2, 127.3, 127.3, 126.5, 121.8, 121.5, 116.9, 116.7, 110.0, 60.9, 60.8, 56.4, 52.1, 52.1, 51.9, 40.0, 39.7, 38.3, 37.4, 33.6, 14.4; HRMS (m/z , ESI-TOF): Calcd for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{26}\text{ClN}_2\text{O}_5^+$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}^+$] 469.1525, found 469.1530.



(2*E*,2'*E*)-diethyl-3,3'-(2-chloro-5-(1-(2-cyano-*N*-methylbenzamido)-4-methoxy-4-oxobutan-2-yl)-1,3-phenylene)diacrylate: The two rotamers' ratio is about 77:23. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.11 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 1.44H), 8.05 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 0.44H), 7.72-7.56 (m, 3.41H), 7.53-7.42 (m, 1.36H), 7.17 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 0.72H), 7.14 (s, 0.43H), 6.81 (s, 0.18H), 6.49 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 1.42H), 6.21 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 0.45H), 4.30-4.23 (m, 4.00H), 3.94 (dd, $J = 13.5, 7.5$ Hz, 0.71H), 3.85 (dd, $J = 13.6, 8.1$ Hz, 0.71H), 3.77-3.41 (m, 5.11H), 3.18 (s, 0.72H), 2.90 (dd, $J = 16.3, 5.7$ Hz, 0.76H), 2.82 (s, 2.05H), 2.75 (dd, $J = 16.3, 8.8$ Hz, 1.06H), 2.52 (dd, $J = 12.9, 6.5$ Hz, 0.45H), 1.41-1.32 (m, 6.15H); HRMS (m/z , ESI-TOF): ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 171.9, 171.1, 168.3, 167.9, 166.4, 166.1, 140.3, 140.2, 139.9, 139.5, 139.5, 134.9, 134.5, 134.2, 134.0, 133.3, 133.1, 132.8, 129.7, 128.6, 128.2, 128.0, 127.3, 122.7, 122.5, 116.9, 116.7, 109.9, 61.1, 60.9, 56.3, 52.2, 52.0, 51.8, 40.1, 39.7, 38.3, 37.4, 37.4, 33.7, 14.4; Calcd for $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{32}\text{ClN}_2\text{O}_7^+$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}^+$] 567.1893, found 567.1897.

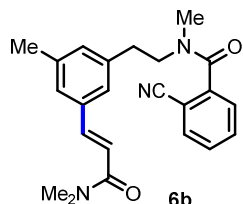


A 50 mL Schlenk sealed tube (with a Teflon cap) equipped with a magnetic stir bar was charged with amide **3f** (0.10 mmol, 1.0 equiv), $\text{Pd}(\text{OAc})_2$ (2.3 mg, 0.010 mmol, 10 mol%), Ac-Gly-OH (2.4 mg, 0.020 mmol, 20 mol%) and AgOAc (50 mg, 0.30 mmol, 3 equiv). The tube was then purged with nitrogen. DCE (0.5 mL) was added to the mixture, followed by olefin **5** (2.0 equiv) and DMF (39 μL , 0.5 mmol, 5 equiv). And then 0.5 mL of HFIP was added along the inside wall of the tube. The tube was then capped under a flow of nitrogen and submerged into a preheated 80 $^\circ\text{C}$ oil bath. The reaction was stirred for 28 h and cooled to room temperature. The crude reaction mixture was diluted with EtOAc (5 mL) and filtered through a short pad of Celite. The sealed tube and Celite pad were washed with an additional 20 mL of EtOAc. The filtrate was concentrated *in vacuo*, and the resulting residue was purified by preparative thin layer chromatography using petroleum ether/EtOAc as the eluent. The site selectivity was assigned by ^1H NMR analysis of the product.



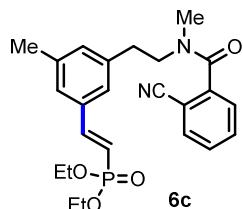
(E)-2-cyano-N-methyl-N-(3-methyl-5-(3-oxobut-1-enyl)phenethyl)

benzamide: The corresponding reaction was run with standard conditions and DMF (5 equiv) for 28 h. The two rotamers' ratio is about 57:43. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.72 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 0.61H), 7.70-7.60 (m, 1.10H), 7.54-7.43 (m, 2.24H), 7.42-7.34 (m, 1.00H), 7.32 (s, 0.56H), 7.24 (s, 0.94H), 7.20 (s, 0.54H), 6.89 (s, 0.44H), 6.87-6.81 (m, 0.44H), 6.79 (s, 0.43H), 6.74 (d, *J* = 16.3 Hz, 0.59H), 6.61 (d, *J* = 16.3 Hz, 0.43H), 3.80 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 6.9 Hz, 1.14H), 3.47 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 0.86H), 3.20 (s, 1.33H), 3.07-2.99 (m, 1.15H), 2.86 (s, 1.72H), 2.80 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 0.88H), 2.42-2.33 (m, 4.54H), 2.30 (s, 1.39H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 198.6, 198.3, 168.0, 167.6, 143.6, 143.1, 140.6, 140.3, 139.6, 139.3, 139.1, 138.5, 135.0, 134.8, 133.2, 133.0, 132.8, 132.8, 132.2, 131.9, 129.6, 129.4, 127.7, 127.5, 127.4, 127.3, 127.2, 126.2, 125.9, 116.9, 116.8, 110.0, 109.9, 52.4, 49.5, 37.4, 34.3, 33.2, 33.0, 27.7, 21.3, 21.3; HRMS (*m/z*, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C₂₂H₂₃N₂O₂⁺ [*M*+*H*⁺] 347.1754, found 347.1765.



(E)-2-cyano-N-(3-(3-(dimethylamino)-3-oxoprop-1-enyl)-5-methyl

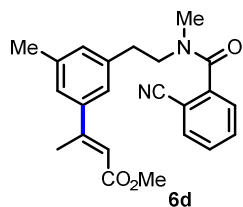
phenethyl)-N-methylbenzamide: The corresponding reaction was run with standard conditions and DMF (5 equiv) for 28 h. The two rotamers' ratio is about 55:45. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.71 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 0.56H), 7.68-7.58 (m, 1.53H), 7.57-7.41 (m, 1.97H), 7.37 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 0.56H), 7.33 (s, 0.51H), 7.20 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 0.95H), 7.14 (s, 0.51H), 6.93 (d, *J* = 15.4 Hz, 0.53H), 6.87-6.78 (m, 1.32H), 6.75 (s, 0.44H), 3.81 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1.11H), 3.46 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 0.89H), 3.25-3.13 (m, 4.39H), 3.07 (s, 3.00H), 3.03 (dd, *J* = 8.6, 6.6 Hz, 1.18H), 2.83 (s, 1.65H), 2.79 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 0.88H), 2.36 (s, 1.60H), 2.30 (s, 1.32H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 168.0, 167.6, 166.9, 166.7, 142.4, 142.0, 140.7, 140.3, 139.3, 139.0, 138.9, 138.2, 136.0, 135.8, 133.2, 133.0, 132.9, 132.7, 131.1, 131.0, 129.5, 129.4, 127.7, 127.4, 127.4, 126.9, 125.6, 125.1, 117.9, 117.6, 116.9, 116.9, 110.1, 109.9, 52.5, 49.5, 37.6, 37.6, 37.5, 36.0, 34.3, 33.3, 33.0, 21.3; HRMS (*m/z*, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C₂₃H₂₆N₃O₂⁺ [*M*+*H*⁺] 376.2020, found 376.2028.



(E)-diethyl-3-(2-(2-cyano-N-methylbenzamido)ethyl)-5-methylstyryl

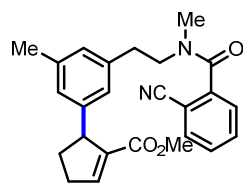
phosphonate: The corresponding reaction was run with standard conditions and DMF (5 equiv) for 28 h. The two rotamers' ratio is about 56:44. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.71 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 0.58H), 7.70-7.61 (m, 1.00H), 7.57-7.43 (m, 2.00H), 7.44-7.28 (m, 1.17H), 7.26 (s, 0.49H), 7.19 (s, 1.52H), 6.86 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 0.45H), 6.81 (s, 0.42H), 6.78 (s, 0.41H), 6.28 (t, *J* = 17.7 Hz, 0.56H), 6.15 (t, *J* = 17.5 Hz, 0.44H), 4.20-4.07 (m, 4.01H), 3.87-3.75 (m, 1.10H), 3.46 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 0.90H), 3.20 (s, 1.34H), 3.08-2.98 (m, 1.13H), 2.85 (s, 1.72H), 2.80 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 0.88H), 2.36 (s, 1.70H), 2.30 (s, 1.34H), 1.44-1.30 (m, 6.08H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.9,

167.6, 148.8 (d, $J_{C-P} = 7$ Hz), 148.3 (d, $J_{C-P} = 7$ Hz), 140.7, 140.3, 139.5, 139.2, 139.0, 138.3, 135.6, 135.4, 135.3, 135.1, 133.2, 133.0, 132.9, 132.8, 131.9, 131.6, 129.6, 129.4, 127.7, 127.4, 126.9, 125.4, 125.3, 116.9, 116.8, 115.5, 115.0, 113.6, 113.1, 110.0, 109.9, 61.9 (d, $J_{C-P} = 5$ Hz), 61.9 (d, $J_{C-P} = 5$ Hz), 52.4, 49.5, 37.4, 34.3, 33.2, 33.0, 21.3, 21.3, 16.5 (d, $J_{C-P} = 7$ Hz); HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for $C_{24}H_{30}N_2O_4P^+$ $[M+H]^+$ 441.1938, found 441.1946.



6d (E)-methyl-3-(3-(2-(2-cyano-N-methylbenzamido)ethyl)-5-methylphenyl)

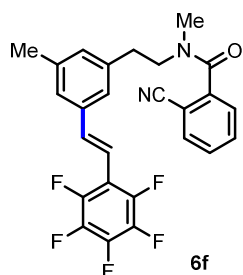
but-2-enoate: The corresponding reaction was run with standard conditions and DMF (5 equiv) for 28 h. The two rotamers' ratio is about 52:48. 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.71 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 0.56H), 7.69-7.61 (m, 0.99H), 7.55-7.42 (m, 1.65H), 7.39 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 0.47H), 7.21 (s, 0.57H), 7.19-7.13 (m, 1.39H), 6.86-6.78 (m, 0.47H), 6.77 (d, $J = 6.7$ Hz, 0.82H), 6.14 (q, $J = 1.4$ Hz, 0.46H), 6.00 (q, $J = 1.4$ Hz, 0.42H), 3.84-3.74 (m, 4.16H), 3.45 (t, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 0.90H), 3.21 (s, 1.38H), 3.08-2.98 (m, 1.02H), 2.86 (s, 1.58H), 2.80 (t, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 1.04H), 2.57 (d, $J = 0.9$ Hz, 1.51H), 2.49 (d, $J = 1.0$ Hz, 1.45H), 2.37 (s, 1.56H), 2.30 (s, 1.44H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 168.0, 167.6, 167.4, 167.2, 156.1, 155.6, 142.9, 142.6, 140.7, 140.4, 139.1, 138.8, 138.6, 138.0, 133.2, 133.0, 132.8, 132.7, 130.6, 130.4, 129.6, 129.3, 127.7, 127.5, 125.7, 125.5, 124.1, 124.0, 116.9, 116.9, 116.8, 116.7, 110.1, 109.9, 52.6, 51.3, 51.2, 49.6, 37.4, 34.5, 33.3, 33.0, 21.5, 21.4, 18.2, 18.1; HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for $C_{23}H_{25}N_2O_3^+$ $[M+H]^+$ 377.1860, found 377.1868.



6e

Methyl-5-(3-(2-(2-isocyano-N-methylbenzamido)ethyl)-5-methylphenyl)

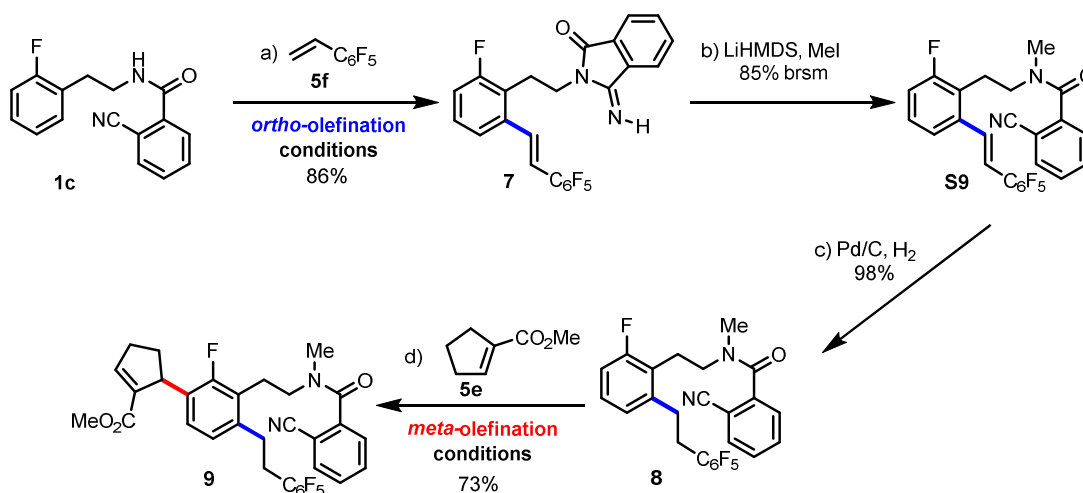
cyclopent-1-ene-1-carboxylate: The corresponding reaction was run with standard conditions and DMF (5 equiv) for 28 h. The two rotamers' ratio is about 50:50. 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.70 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 0.49H), 7.64 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1.00H), 7.53-7.38 (m, 1.55H), 7.37 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 0.46H), 6.99 (t, $J = 2.2$ Hz, 0.93H), 6.96 (s, 0.50H), 6.90 (s, 0.49H), 6.84 (s, 0.93H), 6.80 (d, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 0.45H), 6.57 (s, 0.48H), 6.52 (s, 0.48H), 4.16-3.98 (m, 0.96H), 3.78 (dd, $J = 8.8, 6.5$ Hz, 1.00H), 3.60 (s, 1.55H), 3.57 (s, 1.45H), 3.40 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 1.01H), 3.17 (s, 1.49H), 2.96 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 0.98H), 2.78 (s, 1.47H), 2.73 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 1.05H), 2.70-2.43 (m, 3.01H), 2.30 (s, 1.50H), 2.21 (s, 1.50H), 1.93-1.77 (m, 1.04H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 168.0, 167.5, 165.3, 165.2, 145.7, 145.5, 145.2, 145.1, 140.9, 140.6, 139.2, 139.0, 138.8, 138.5, 138.3, 137.7, 133.1, 133.0, 132.8, 132.6, 129.4, 129.1, 127.9, 127.8, 127.6, 127.5, 126.3, 126.0, 124.7, 116.9, 110.1, 109.8, 52.7, 51.5, 51.4, 50.1, 49.9, 49.7, 37.5, 34.5, 34.3, 34.3, 33.3, 33.0, 32.3, 32.3, 21.5, 21.4; HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for $C_{25}H_{27}N_2O_3^+$ $[M+H]^+$ 403.2016, found 403.2024.



(E)-2-cyano-N-methyl-N-(3-methyl-5-(perfluorostyryl)phenethyl)

benzamide: The corresponding reaction was run with standard conditions and DMF (5 equiv) for 28 h. The two rotamers' ratio is about 55:45. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.72 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 0.56H), 7.69-7.60 (m, 1.12H), 7.55-7.36 (m, 2.69H), 7.29 (t, *J* = 9.1 Hz, 0.98H), 7.25-7.19 (m, 0.96H), 7.14 (s, 0.51H), 6.99 (d, *J* = 16.8 Hz, 0.55H), 6.89-6.80 (m, 1.29H), 6.74 (s, 0.46H), 3.82 (dd, *J* = 8.9, 6.6 Hz, 1.10H), 3.48 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 0.90H), 3.22 (s, 1.39H), 3.04 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1.10H), 2.87 (s, 1.52H), 2.81 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 0.93H), 2.39 (s, 1.63H), 2.32 (s, 1.33H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃, the signal of the peaks of the carbons on the pentafluoroarene are very low and not interpreted.) δ 168.0, 167.7, 140.8, 140.4, 139.5, 139.2, 139.0, 138.4, 137.4, 137.1, 136.9, 133.2, 133.1, 132.8, 132.8, 130.7, 130.5, 129.6, 129.3, 127.8, 127.5, 126.2, 126.0, 124.8, 124.6, 116.9, 116.9, 113.0, 112.7, 110.1, 110.0, 52.6, 49.7, 37.5, 34.4, 33.3, 33.0, 21.4, 21.4; HRMS (*m/z*, ESI-TOF): Calcd for C₂₆H₂₀F₅N₂O⁺ [M+H⁺] 471.1490, found 471.1497.

2.5 Sequential remote-selective *ortho*- and *meta*-C–H bond olefination and characterization of the products.

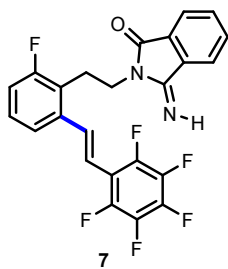


Step a: **7** was obtained in 86% yield using standard *ortho*-olefination conditions in 24 h.

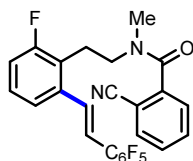
Step b: LHMDS (0.6 mL, 1.0 M in THF) was added to a solution of **7** (110 mg, 0.24 mmol) in anhydrous THF (3 mL) at -15 °C. After stirring for 0.5 h, MeI (45 μL, 0.72 mmol) was added dropwise to the reaction. The reaction mixture was gradually warmed to room temperature and stirred for another 2 h. Then H₂O (10 mL) was added slowly to quench the reaction. The aqueous phase was extracted with ethyl acetate (10 mL × 3). The combined organic phase was dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash silica gel chromatography with petroleum ether/EtOAc (2:1) to afford compound **S9** (66 mg) in 58% yield, and 32% of substrate **7** (35 mg) was also recovered.

Step c: To a solution of compound **S9** (56 mg, 0.12 mmol) in methanol (5 mL) was added Palladium on carbon (10% w/w, 15 mg). The reaction was then stirred at room temperature under hydrogen gas atmosphere (1 atm) for 1 hour. The catalyst was filtered through a short pad of Celite, and the filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash silica gel chromatography with petroleum ether/EtOAc (2:1) to obtain compound **8** (56 mg) in 98% yield.

Step d: **9** was obtained in 73% yield using standard *meta*-olefination conditions at 90 °C in 48 h.



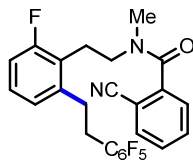
(E)-2-(2-fluoro-6-(perfluorostyryl)phenethyl)-3-iminoisoindolin-1-one: ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.53 (brs, 1H), 7.72-7.50 (m, 5H), 7.32-7.20 (m, 2H), 7.05 (t, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.61 (d, $J = 16.5$ Hz, 1H), 4.05 (t, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 2H), 3.21 (t, $J = 6.0$ Hz, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.6, 161.8 (d, $J = 245$ Hz), 146.1 (m), 143.6 (m), 138.75 (d, $J = 4.5$ Hz), 133.8, 132.8, 132.1, 131.0, 128.4 (d, $J = 9$ Hz), 124.8 (d, $J = 15$ Hz), 123.1, 121.7, 120.6 (m), 115.7, 115.5 (d, $J = 23$ Hz), 112.0 (m), 38.1, 24.2 (d, $J = 4$ Hz).



S9

(E)-2-cyano-N-(2-fluoro-6-(perfluorostyryl)phenethyl)-N-methylbenzamide:

The two rotamers' ratio is about 50:50. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.84 (d, $J = 16.5$ Hz, 0.48H), 7.69 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 0.47H), 7.64 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 0.51H), 7.58 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 0.51H), 7.54-7.36 (m, 2.71H), 7.36-7.23 (m, 1.94H), 7.07 (t, $J = 8.9$ Hz, 0.49H), 7.02-6.90 (m, 1.47H), 6.67 (d, $J = 16.5$ Hz, 0.50H), 3.83-3.70 (m, 0.95H), 3.43 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 1.02H), 3.32-3.16 (m, 2.49H), 3.01 (t, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 1.02H), 2.93 (s, 1.40H); HRMS (m/z , ESI-TOF): Calcd for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{17}\text{F}_6\text{N}_2\text{O}^+$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}^+$] 475.1240, found 475.1247.

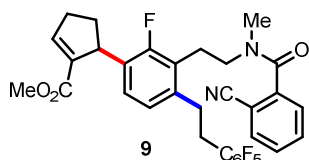


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2-Cyano-N-(2-fluoro-6-(perfluorophenethyl)phenethyl)-N-methylbenzamide:

The two rotamers' ratio is about 57:43. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.71 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 0.57H), 7.70-7.61 (m, 1.00H), 7.56-7.41 (m, 2.03H), 7.18-7.10 (m, 1.02H), 7.07 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 0.43H), 6.94 (t, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 0.59H), 6.85 (q, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1.42H), 3.80-3.66 (m, 1.14H), 3.40 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 0.85H), 3.26 (s, 1.29H), 3.18-3.00 (m, 3.51H), 2.98 (s, 1.69H), 2.92 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 0.89H), 2.79 (dd, $J = 9.6, 6.7$ Hz, 0.86H), 2.61 (dd, $J = 9.9, 6.3$ Hz, 0.84H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.9, 167.7, 161.9 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 244$ Hz), 161.8 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 246$ Hz), 146.5 (m), 143.9 (m), 141.5, 141.5, 140.6, 140.6, 140.3, 138.8 (m), 136.5 (m), 133.1 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 27$ Hz), 132.9 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} =$

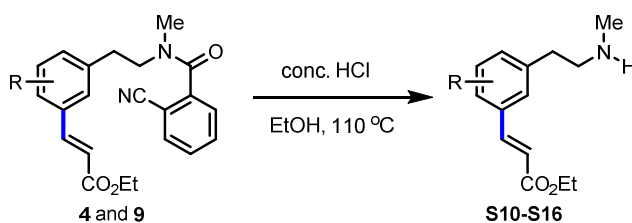
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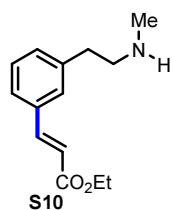
Methyl-5-(3-(2-(2-cyano-*N*-methylbenzamido)ethyl)-2-fluoro-4-(perfluorophenethyl)phenyl)cyclopent-1-enecarboxylate:

The two rotamers' ratio is about 57:43. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.71 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 0.57H), 7.69-7.61 (m, 0.99H), 7.55-7.39 (m, 2.01H), 7.07 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 0.44H), 7.03 (t, J = 2.2 Hz, 1.00H), 6.84 (td, J = 7.8, 3.2 Hz, 0.99H), 6.80-6.69 (m, 0.97H), 4.48-4.38 (m, 0.53H), 4.37-4.27 (m, 0.42H), 3.82-3.68 (m, 1.17H), 3.61 (s, 3.00H), 3.39 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 0.94H), 3.26 (s, 1.30H), 3.13 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1.08H), 3.01 (s, 2.08 H), 2.97 (s, 1.70H), 2.91 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 0.92H), 2.74 (t, J = 8.1 Hz, 0.96H), 2.69-2.42 (m, 3.90H), 1.92-1.72 (m, 1.30H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.9, 167.7, 165.1, 165.0, 159.5 (d, J_{C-F} = 245 Hz), 146.2, 145.9, 143.9 (m), 140.7, 140.5, 139.0 (d, J_{C-F} = 4 Hz), 138.7 (m), 138.2 (d, J_{C-F} = 4 Hz), 137.8, 137.4, 136.3 (m), 133.2, 133.0, 132.8, 130.3 (d, J_{C-F} = 36 Hz), 130.1 (d, J_{C-F} = 36 Hz), 129.6, 129.3, 127.6, 126.7 (d, J_{C-F} = 6 Hz), 126.1 (d, J_{C-F} = 6 Hz), 125.0 (d, J_{C-F} = 3 Hz), 124.7 (d, J_{C-F} = 3 Hz), 123.9 (d, J_{C-F} = 17 Hz), 122.8 (d, J_{C-F} = 16 Hz), 116.9, 116.8, 114.2 (m), 110.1, 110.0, 77.5, 77.2, 76.8, 51.5, 51.5, 50.9, 48.0, 43.0 (d, J_{C-F} = 2 Hz), 37.2, 33.2, 33.0, 32.9, 32.2, 32.2, 32.1, 31.7, 24.6 (d, J_{C-F} = 3 Hz), 24.2, 23.8, 23.4 (d, J_{C-F} = 4 Hz); HRMS (m/z, ESI-TOF): Calcd for $C_{32}H_{27}F_6N_2O_3^+$ [M+H⁺] 601.1920, found 601.1927.

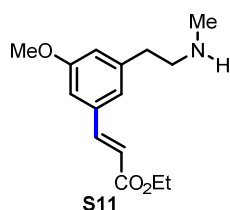
2.6 Removal of the directing group and characterization of selected hydrolyzed products.



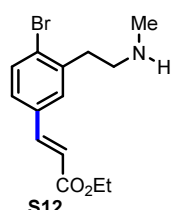
To a solution of **4** (0.1 mmol) in EtOH (1 mL) was added HCl (aqueous solution, 1 mL, 36 wt%) dropwise at 0 °C. After stirring for 10 min at 0 °C, the reaction mixture was allowed to reflux at 110 °C under nitrogen atmosphere. After the reaction was completed, the reaction mixture was diluted with 5 mL of water. After basification with ammonium hydroxide solution at 0 °C under inert atmosphere until pH value reached about 10, the solution was extracted with EtOAc (20 mL × 2). The combined organic phase was washed with brine, dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude mixture was purified by preparative thin layer chromatography using EtOAc/Et₃N (50/1) as the eluent to yield the product in 70% to 90% yield.



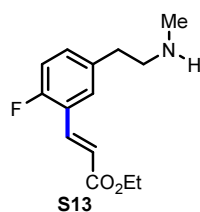
S10 Ethyl-(*E*)-3-(3-(2-(methylamino)ethyl)phenyl)acrylate: ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.63 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.43-7.35 (m, 2H), 7.31 (td, $J = 7.4, 1.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.24 (dt, $J = 7.5, 1.5$ Hz, 1H), 6.42 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 1H), 5.63 (brs, 1H), 4.25 (q, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2H), 3.02 (s, 4H), 2.58 (s, 3H), 1.32 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 3H).



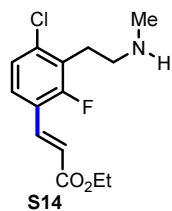
S11 Ethyl-(*E*)-3-(3-methoxy-5-(2-(methylamino)ethyl)phenyl)acrylate: Note: one drop of D_2O was added to the sample solution to suppress the NH peak in the NMR spectrum. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.59 (d, $J = 16.1$ Hz, 1H), 6.98 (s, 1H), 6.90 (t, $J = 1.7$ Hz, 1H), 6.80 (s, 1H), 6.40 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 1H), 4.25 (q, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 2.99 (s, 4H), 2.56 (s, 3H), 1.32 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 3H).



S12 Ethyl-(*E*)-3-(4-bromo-3-(2-(methylamino)ethyl)phenyl)acrylate: ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.58 (d, $J = 16.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.55 (d, $J = 8.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.43 (d, $J = 2.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.26-7.22 (m, 1H), 6.43 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 1H), 4.25 (q, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2H), 3.78 (brs, 1H), 3.11 (dd, $J = 8.7, 6.3$ Hz, 2H), 2.99 (dd, $J = 9.1, 6.2$ Hz, 2H), 2.59 (s, 3H), 1.33 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 3H).

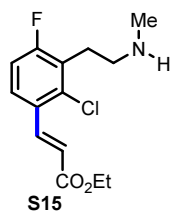


S13 Ethyl-(*E*)-3-(2-fluoro-5-(2-(methylamino)ethyl)phenyl)acrylate: ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.74 (d, $J = 16.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.38 (dd, $J_{F-H} = 6.9, J_{H-H} = 2.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.20 (ddd, $J_{F-H} = 4.9, J_{H-H} = 8.4, 2.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.02 (dd, $J_{F-H} = 10.4, J_{H-H} = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 6.52 (d, $J = 16.2$ Hz, 1H), 5.07 (s, 3H), 4.25 (q, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2H), 2.98 (s, 4H), 2.57 (s, 3H), 1.32 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 3H).



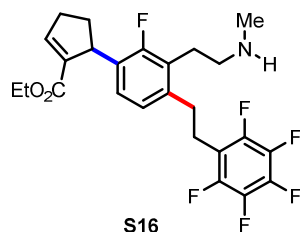
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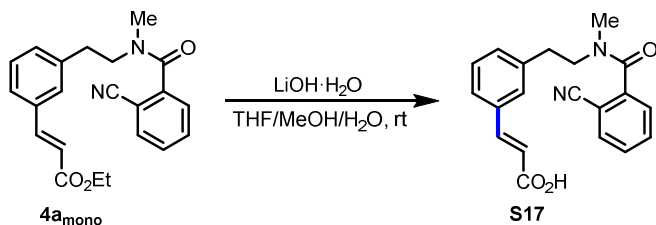
Ethyl-(*E*)-3-(2-chloro-4-fluoro-3-(2-(methylamino)ethyl)phenyl)acrylate: ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.05 (d, $J = 15.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.50 (dd, $J_{H-H} = 8.8$, $J_{F-H} = 5.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.01 (t, J_{F-H} and $H-H = 8.7$ Hz, 1H), 6.33 (d, $J = 15.9$ Hz, 1H), 4.27 (q, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 3.72 (s, 1H), 3.14 (td, $J_{H-H} = 8.2$, $J_{F-H} = 2.0$ Hz, 2H), 2.92 (dd, $J = 8.7$, 6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.56 (s, 3H), 1.34 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 3H).



S16

Ethyl-5-(2-fluoro-3-(2-(methylamino)ethyl)-4-(perfluorophenethyl)phenyl)cyclopent-1-enecarboxylate: ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.01 (s, 1H), 6.84 (t, J_{F-H} and $H-H = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 6.78 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 4.41 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 4.14-3.99 (m, 2H), 3.01-2.78 (m, 8H), 2.71 – 2.43 (m, 8H), 1.14 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 3H).

2.7 Hydrolysis of compound $4a_{\text{mono}}$ to S17.



$4a_{\text{mono}}$

S17

Compound $4a_{\text{mono}}$ (22 mg, 0.06 mmol) was dissolved in a solution of THF (1.5 mL), MeOH (1.0 mL) and H_2O (0.5 mL). The solution was cooled to 0 °C and $\text{LiOH}\cdot\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (10 mg, 0.24 mmol) was added. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 h and then H_2O (10 mL) was

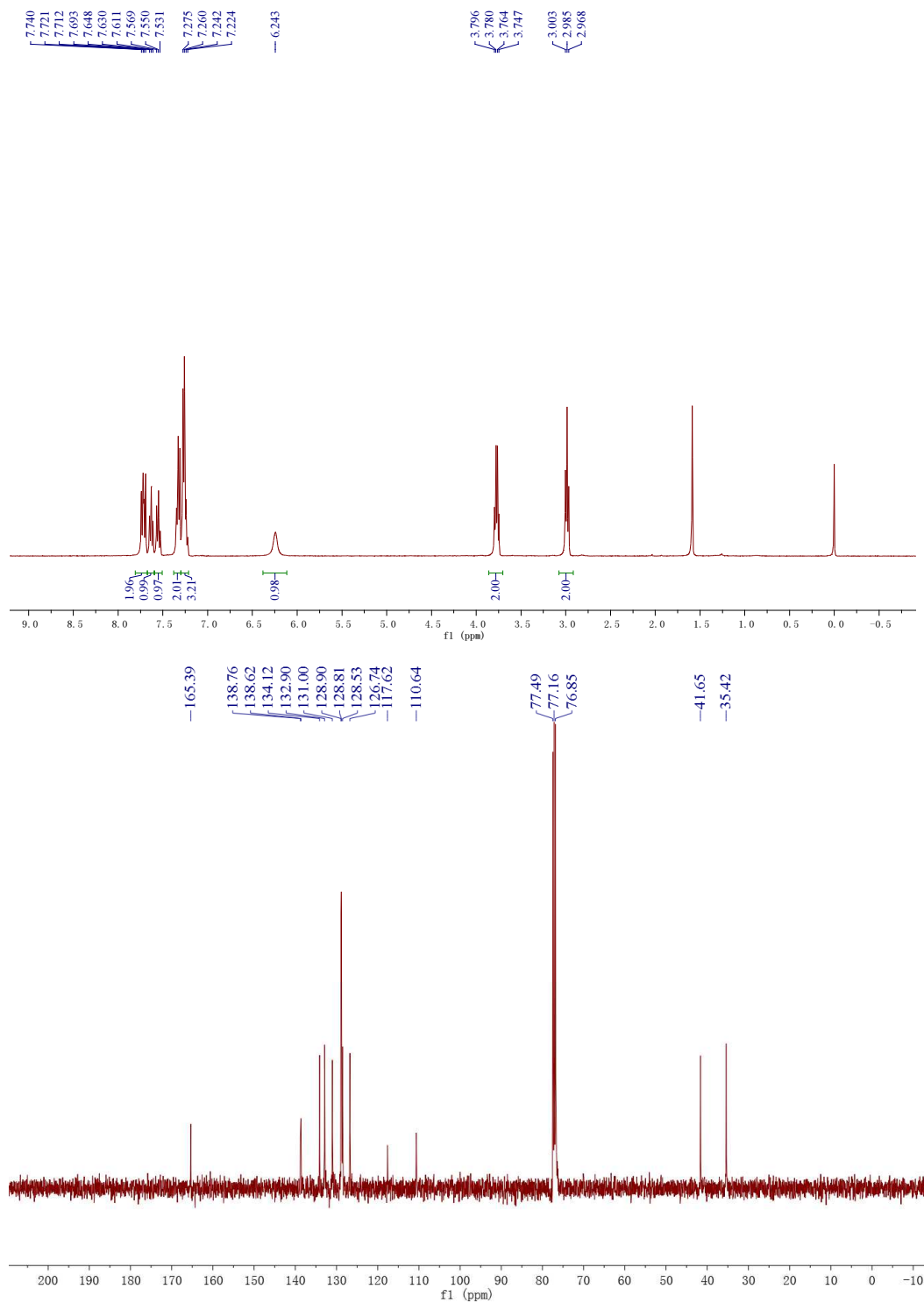
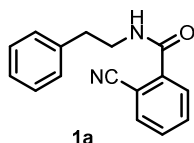
added. The solution was extracted with Et₂O (5 mL × 2) and the aqueous phase was acidized with 1N HCl (1 mL). The aqueous phase was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (5 mL × 4). The combined organic phase was dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure to give compound **S17** (17 mg) in 85% yield. **S17**: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.78 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 0.63H), 7.74-7.59 (m, 2.09H), 7.56-7.28 (m, 5.50H), 7.12-6.95 (m, 0.88H), 6.89-6.77 (m, 0.42H), 6.49 (d, *J* = 15.9 Hz, 0.56H), 6.35 (d, *J* = 15.9 Hz, 0.42H), 3.83 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1.14H), 3.48 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 0.86H), 3.22 (s, 1.36H), 3.08 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1.26H), 2.89-2.79 (m, 2.61H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.3, 171.1, 168.1, 167.8, 146.9, 146.3, 140.6, 140.2, 139.7, 138.6, 134.8, 134.6, 133.3, 133.1, 133.0, 132.8, 131.5, 131.3, 129.65, 129.62, 129.5, 129.4, 129.0, 128.7, 127.7, 127.5, 127.0, 126.8, 117.9, 117.6, 116.9, 116.9, 110.1, 109.9, 52.5, 49.5, 37.5, 34.4, 33.3, 33.1.

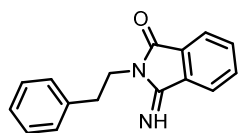
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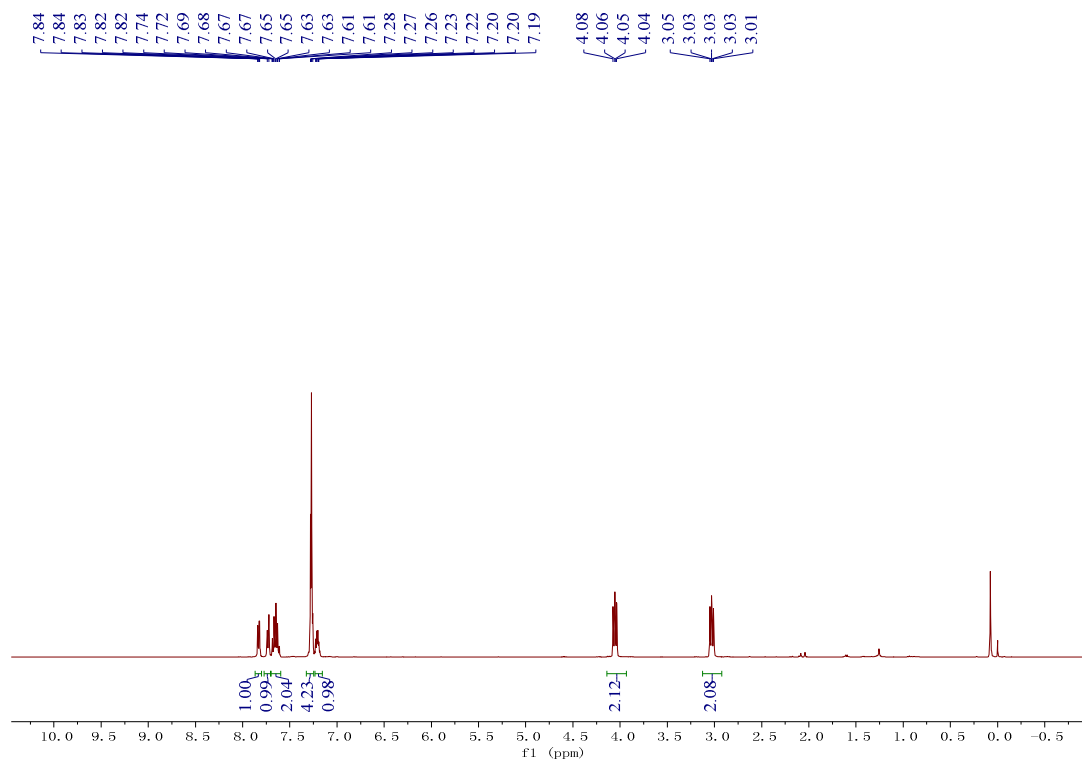
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3. NMR Spectra of New Compounds

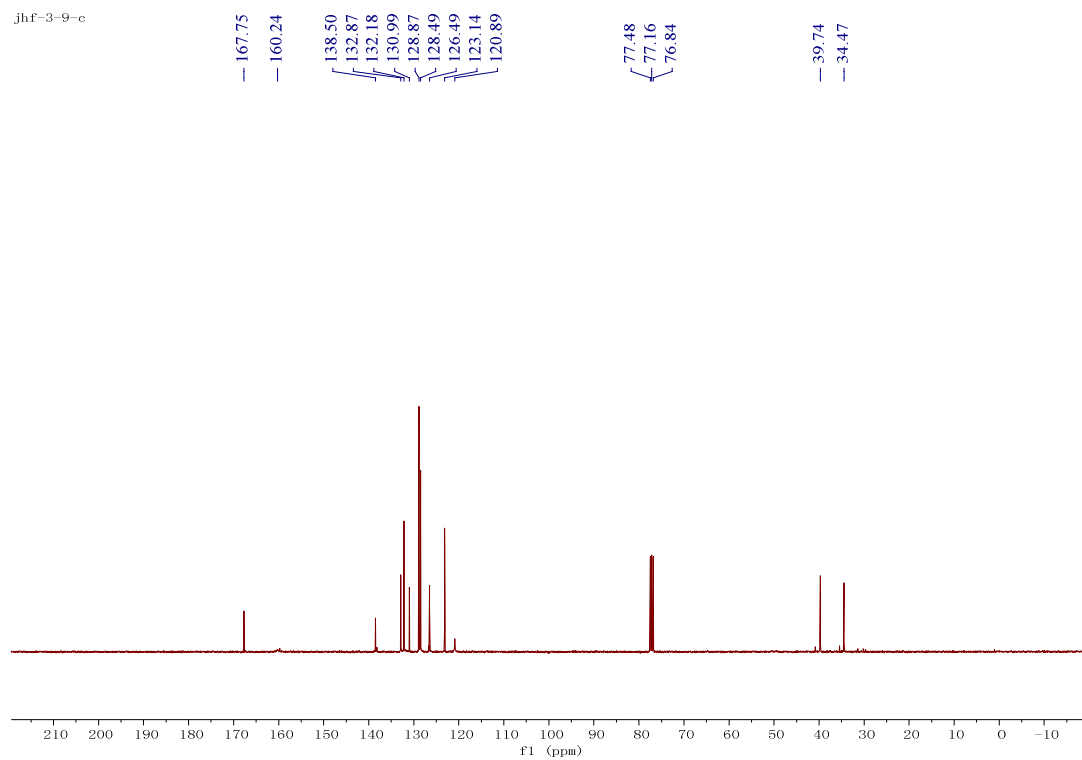


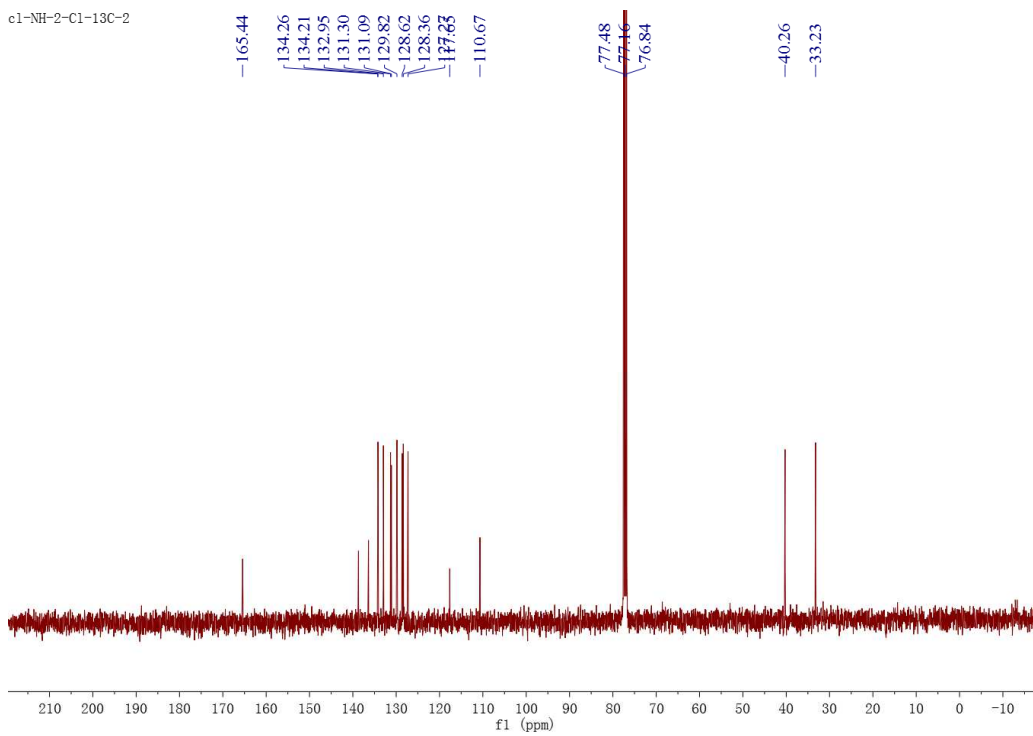
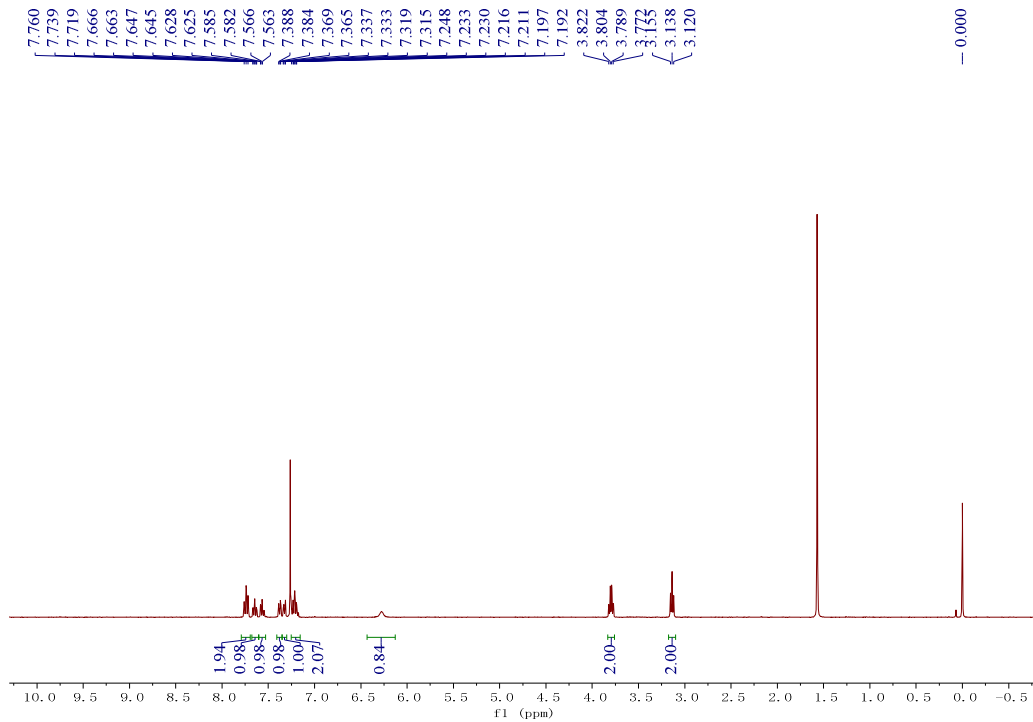
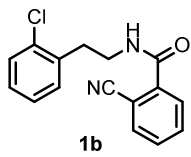


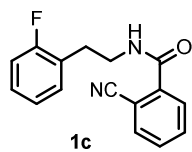
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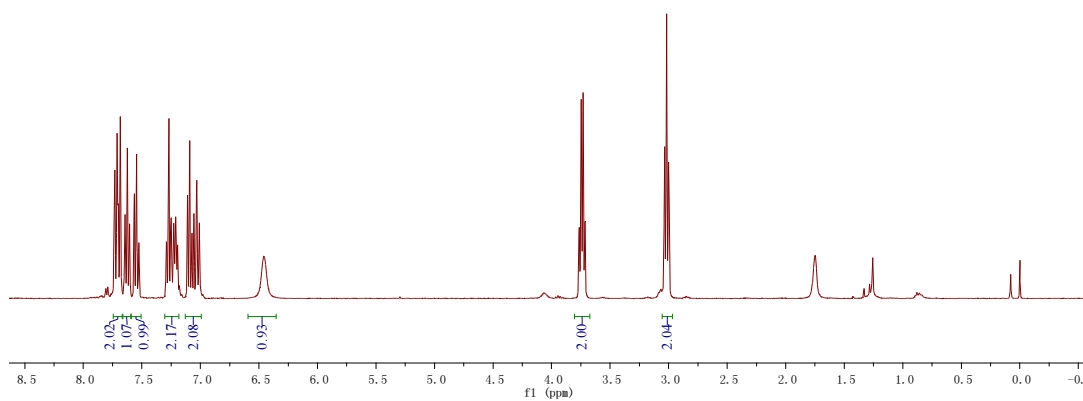




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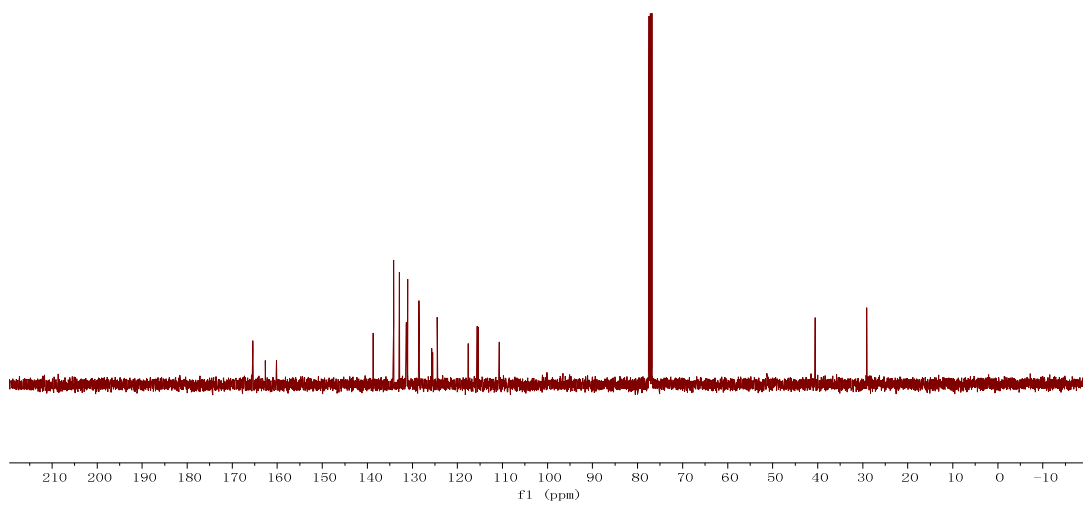
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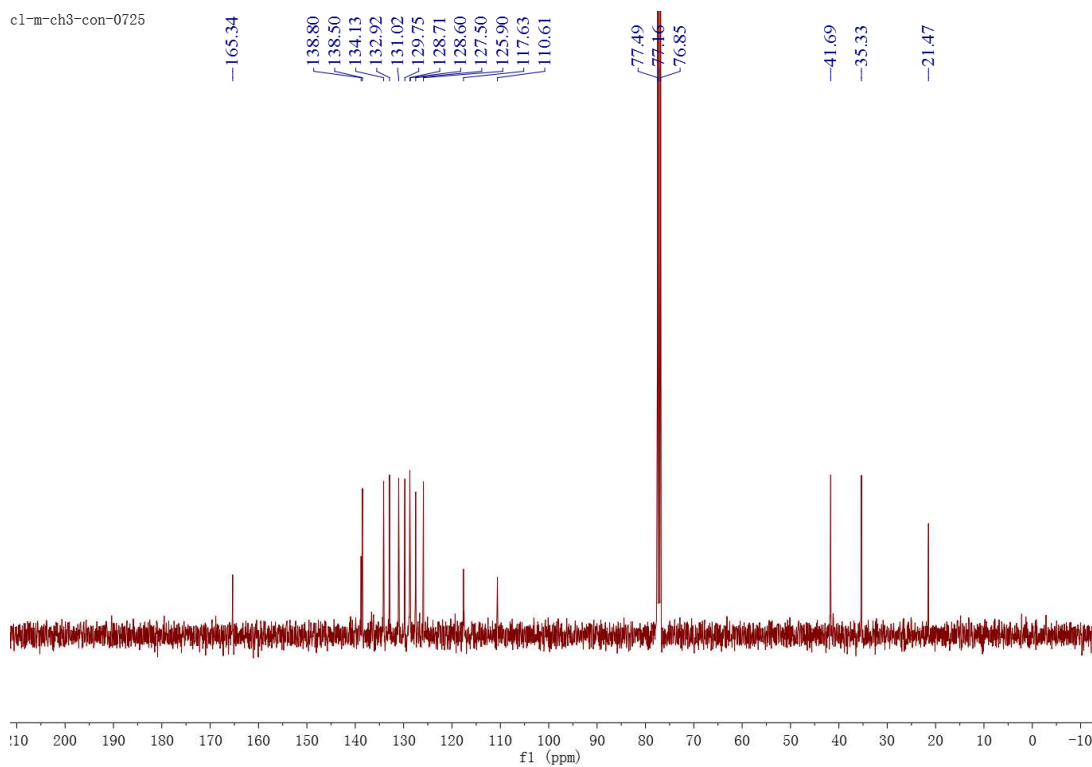
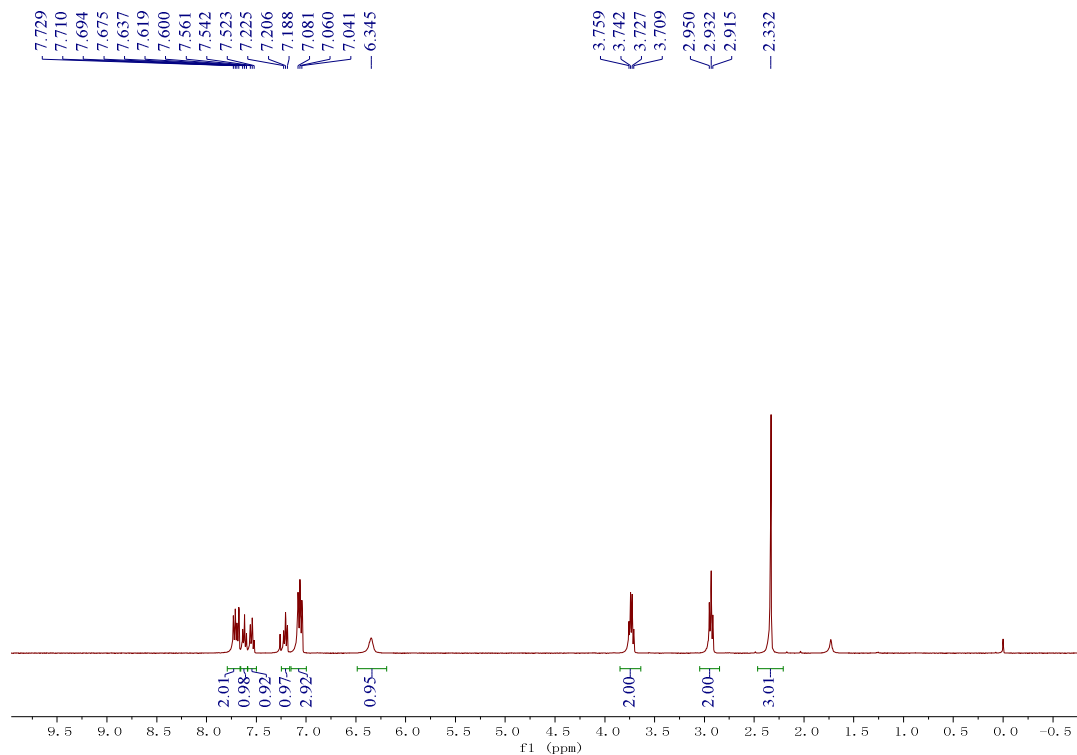
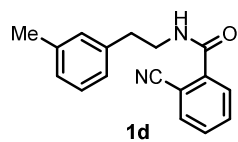
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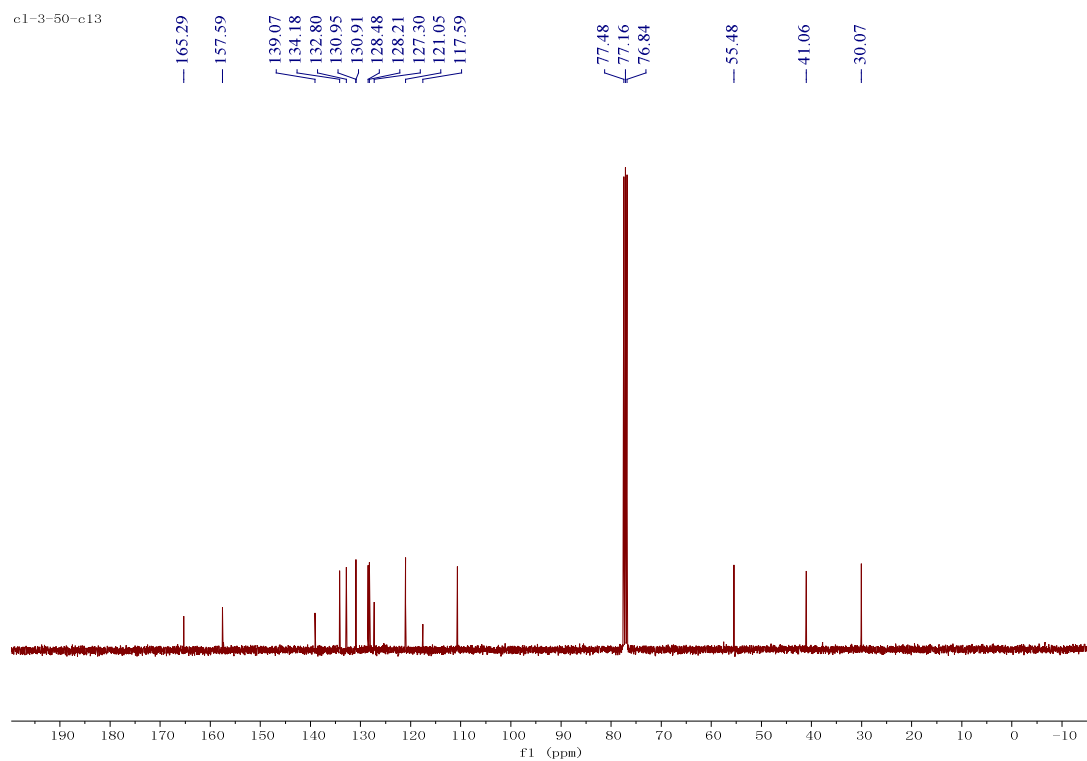
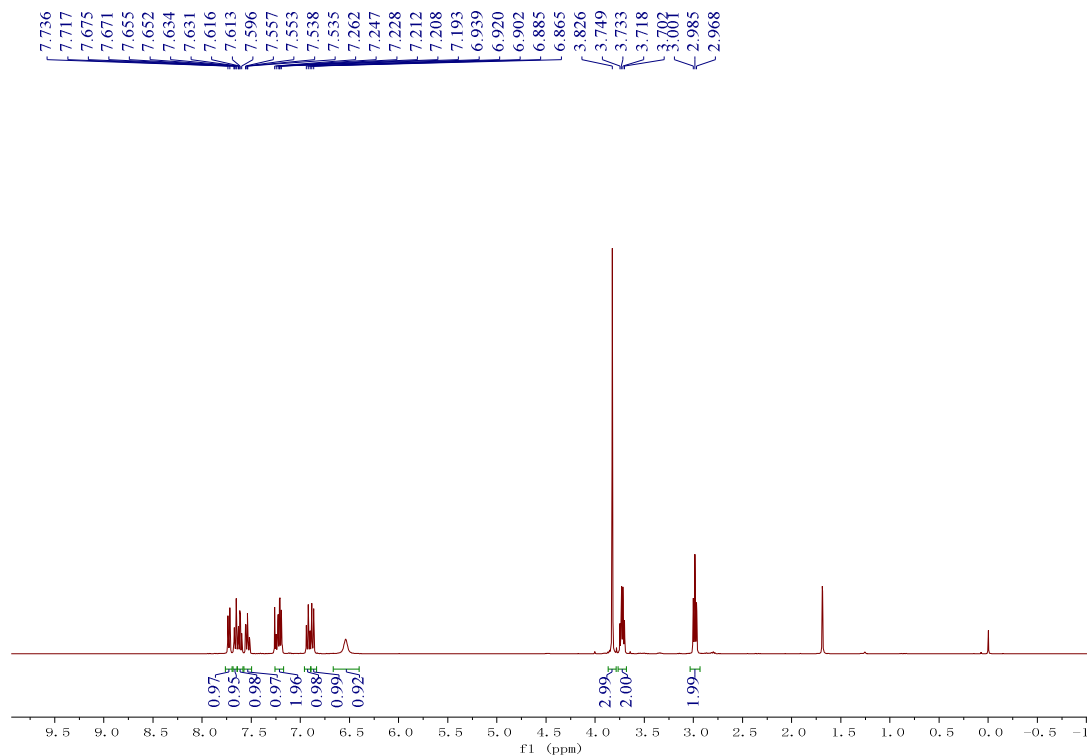
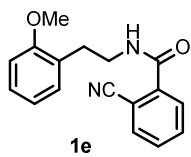


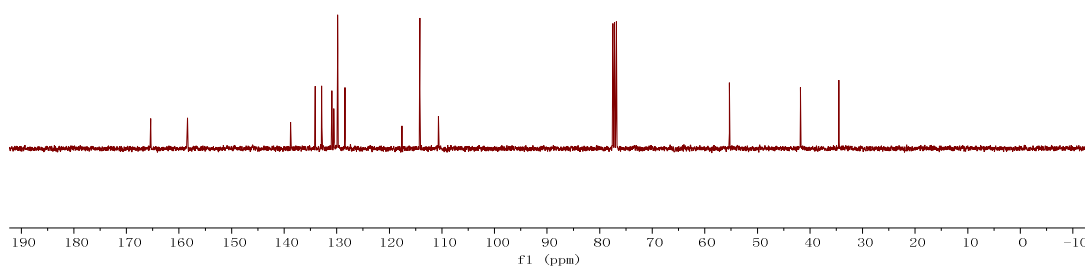
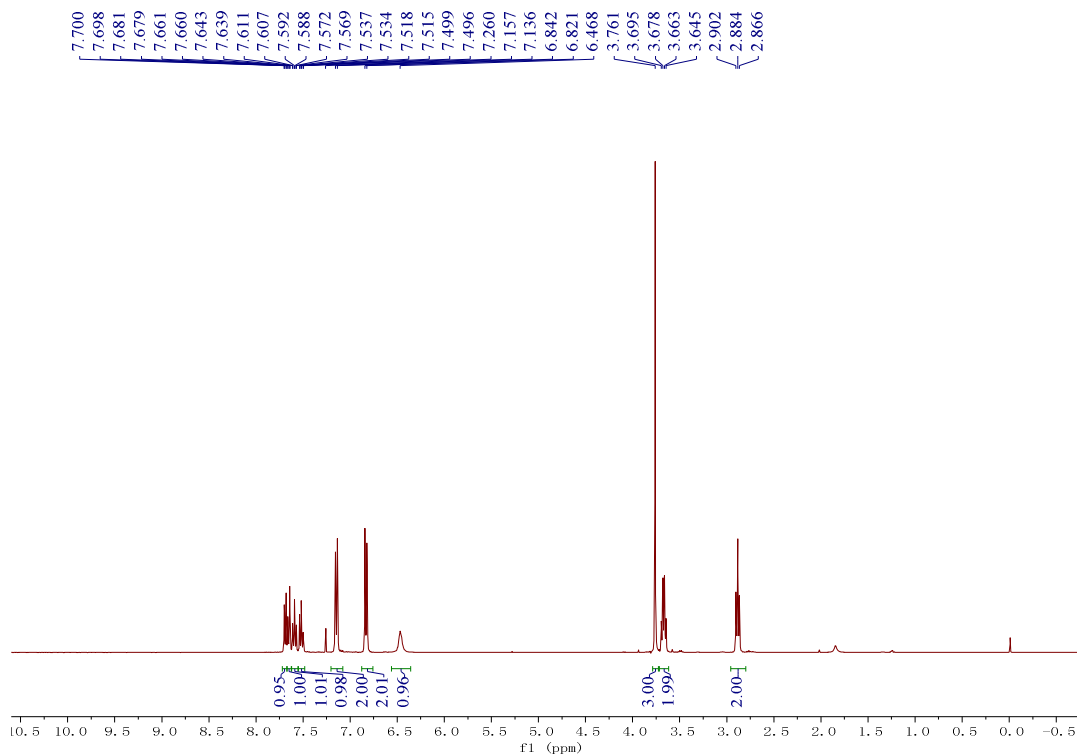
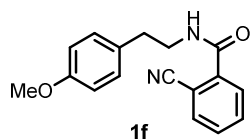
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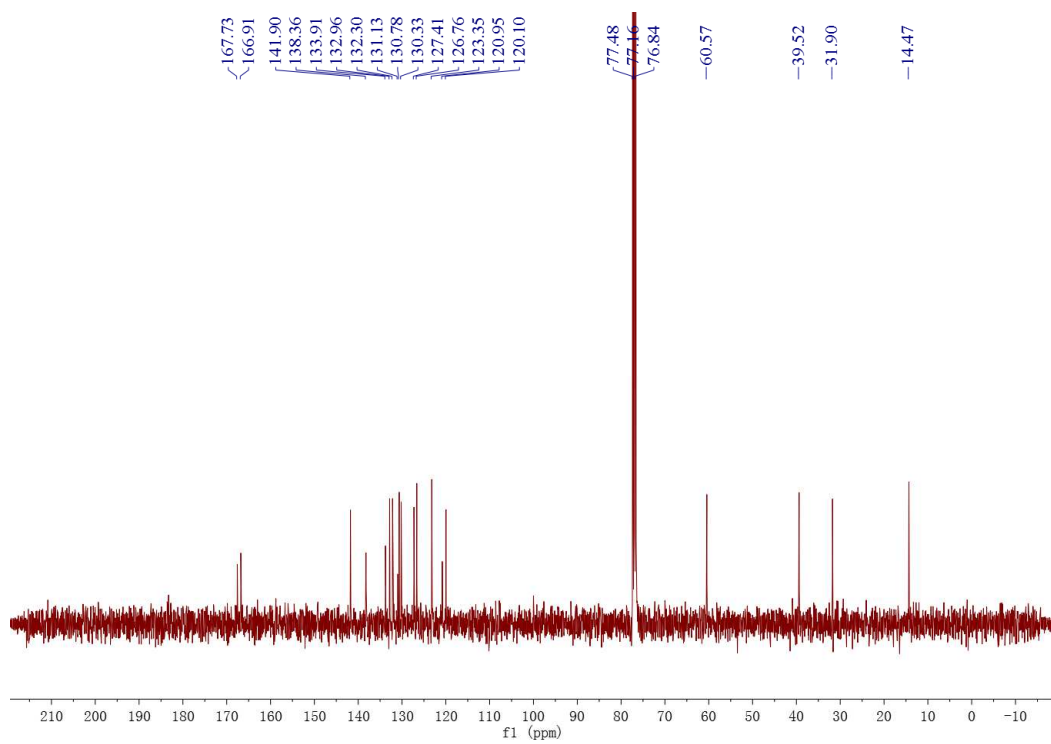
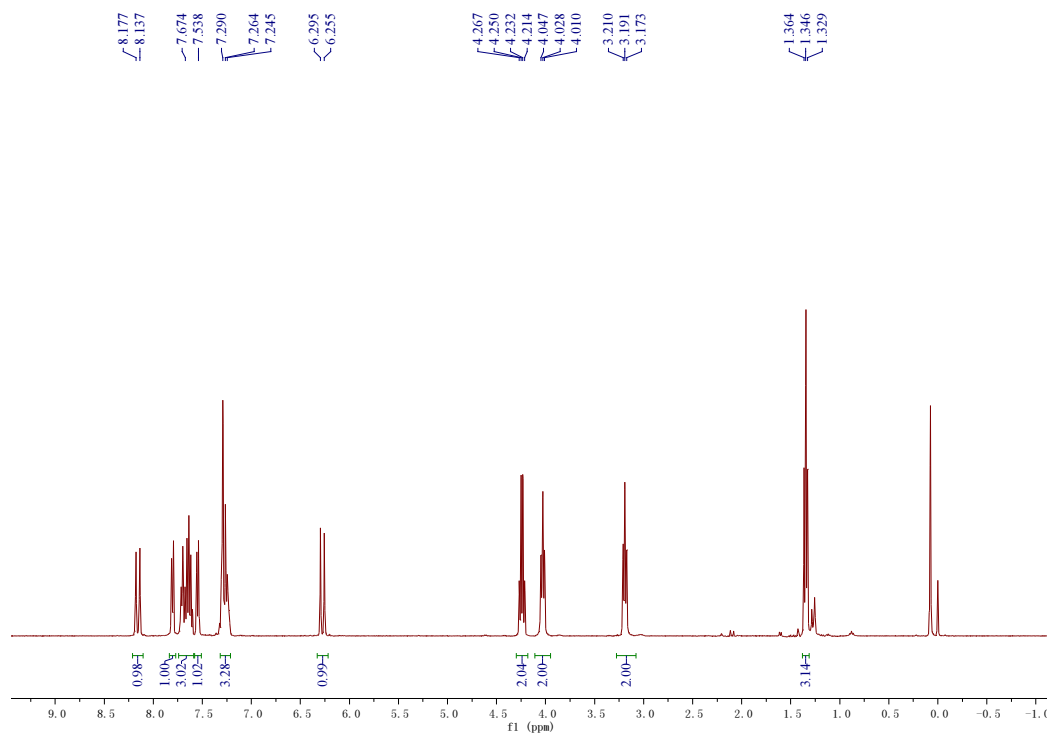
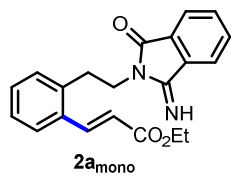
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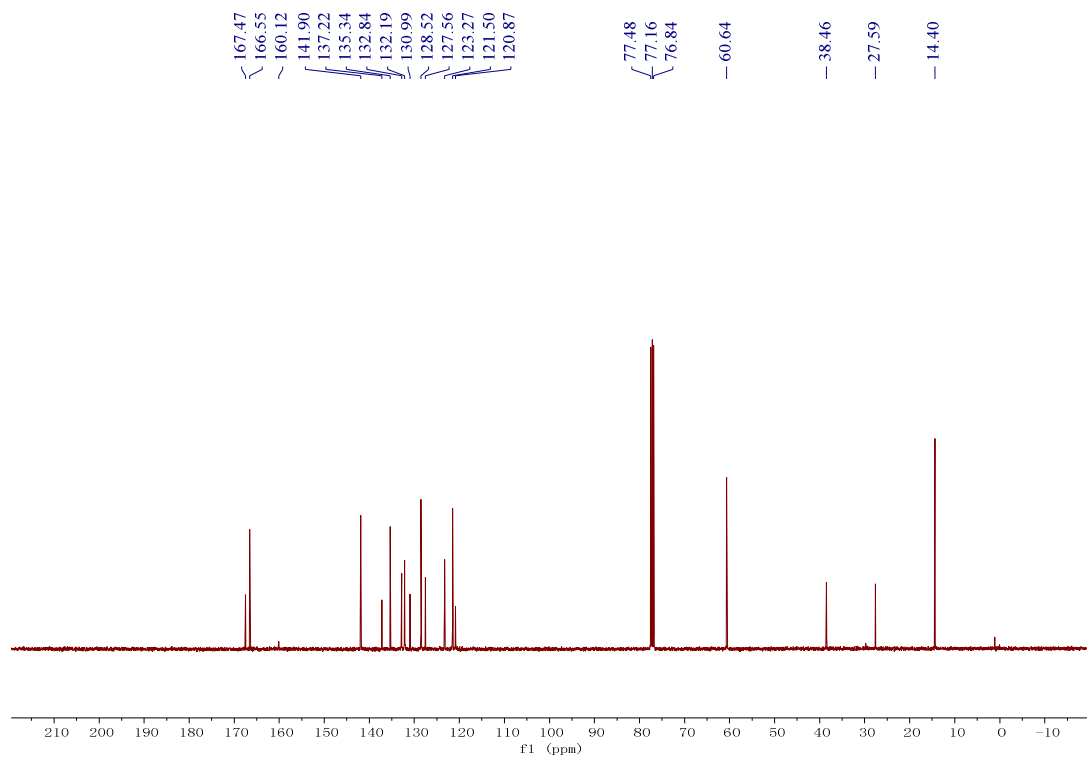
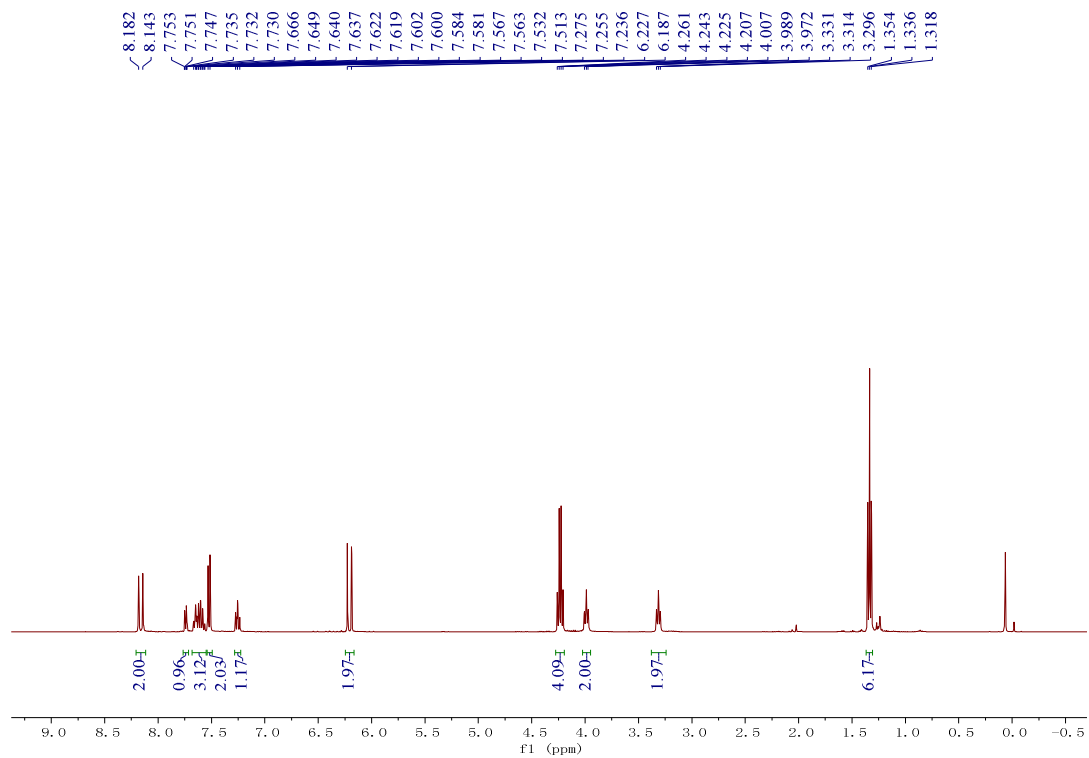
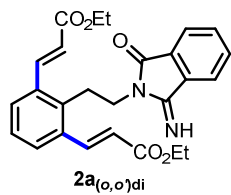


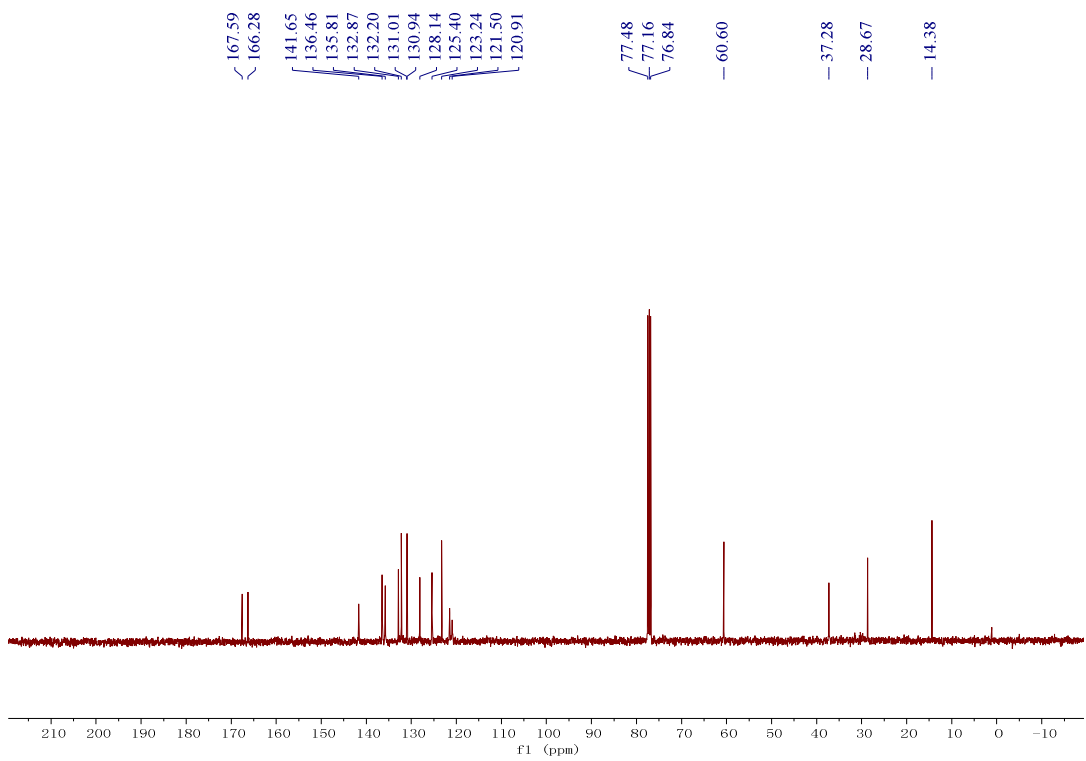
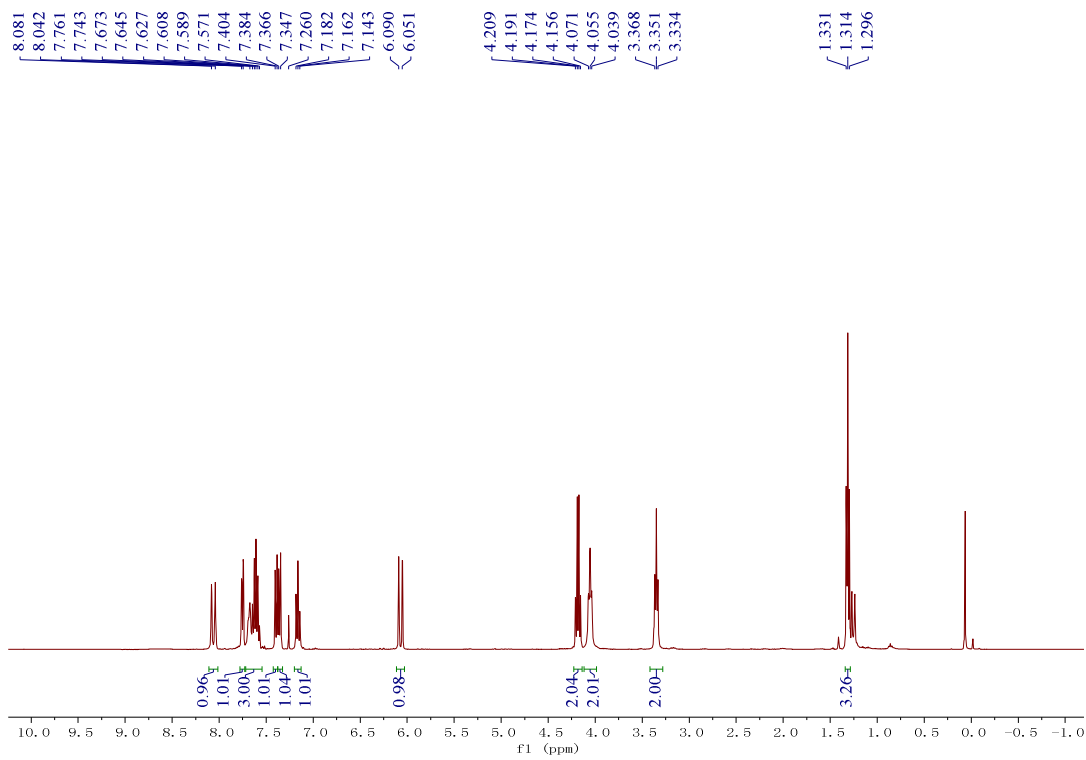
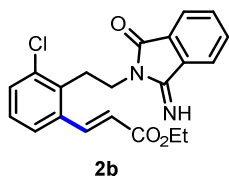


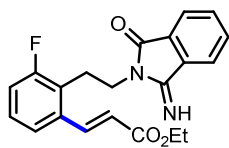




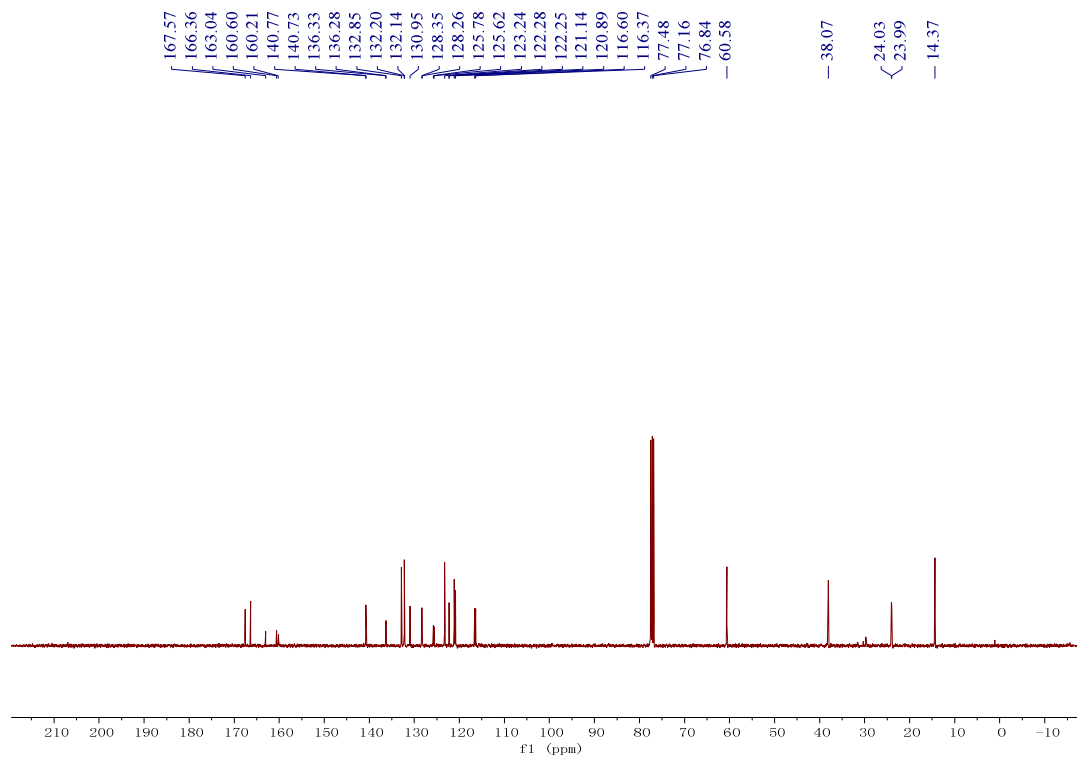
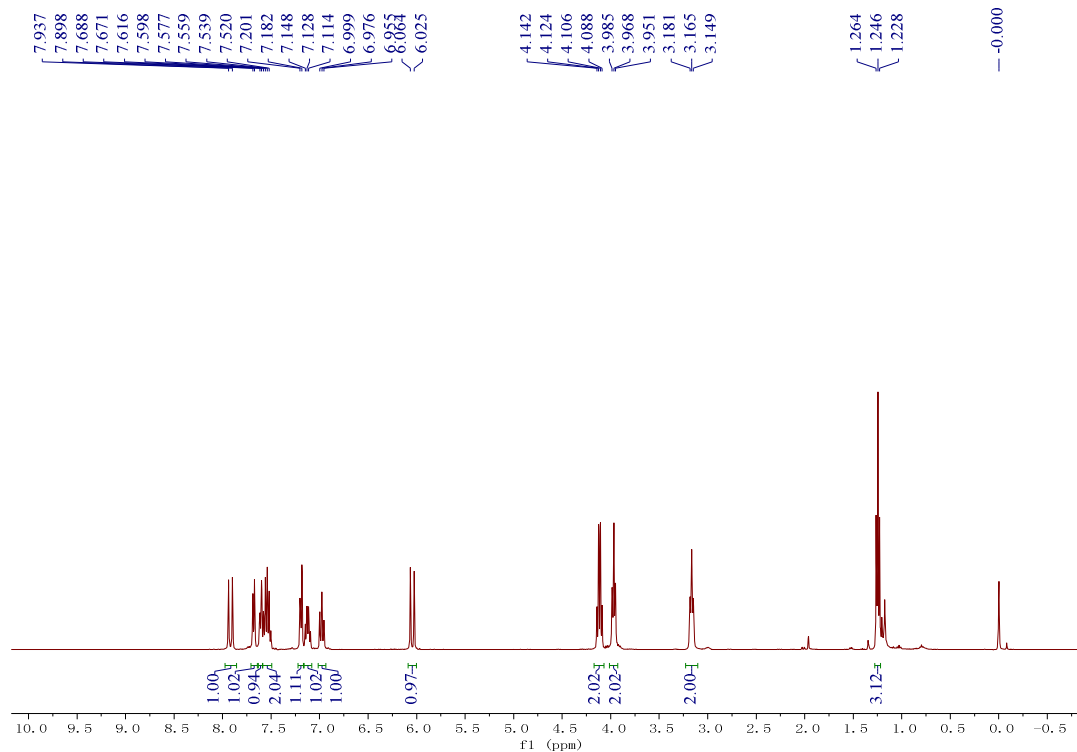


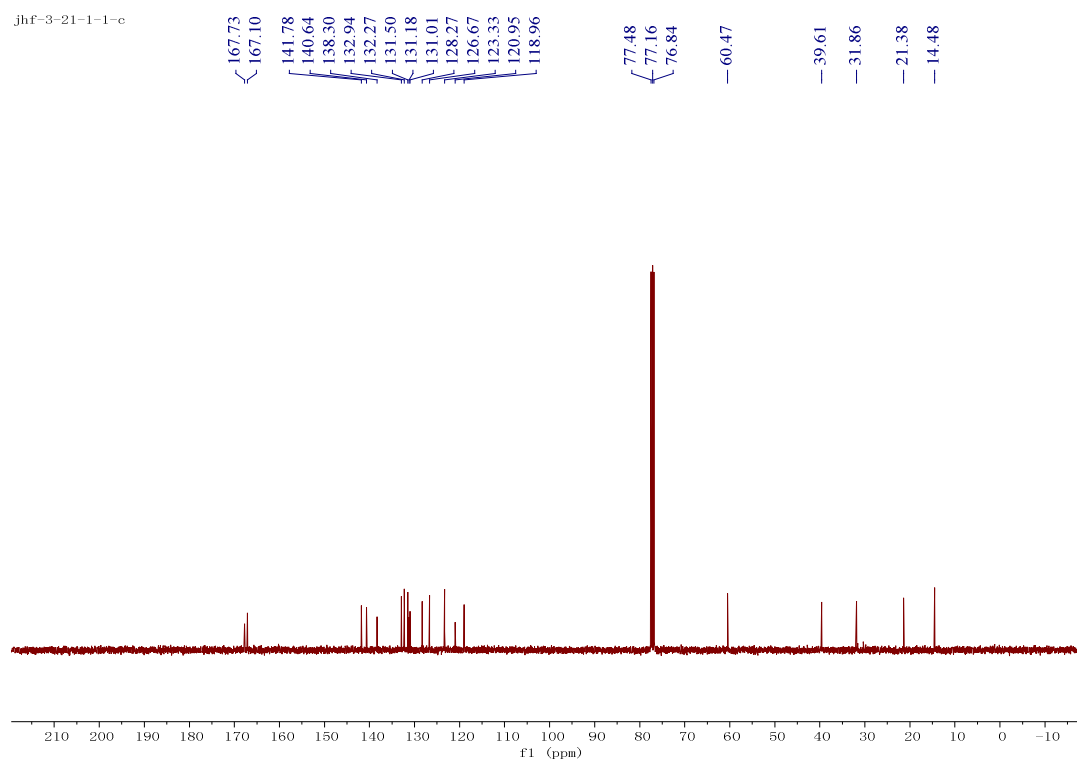
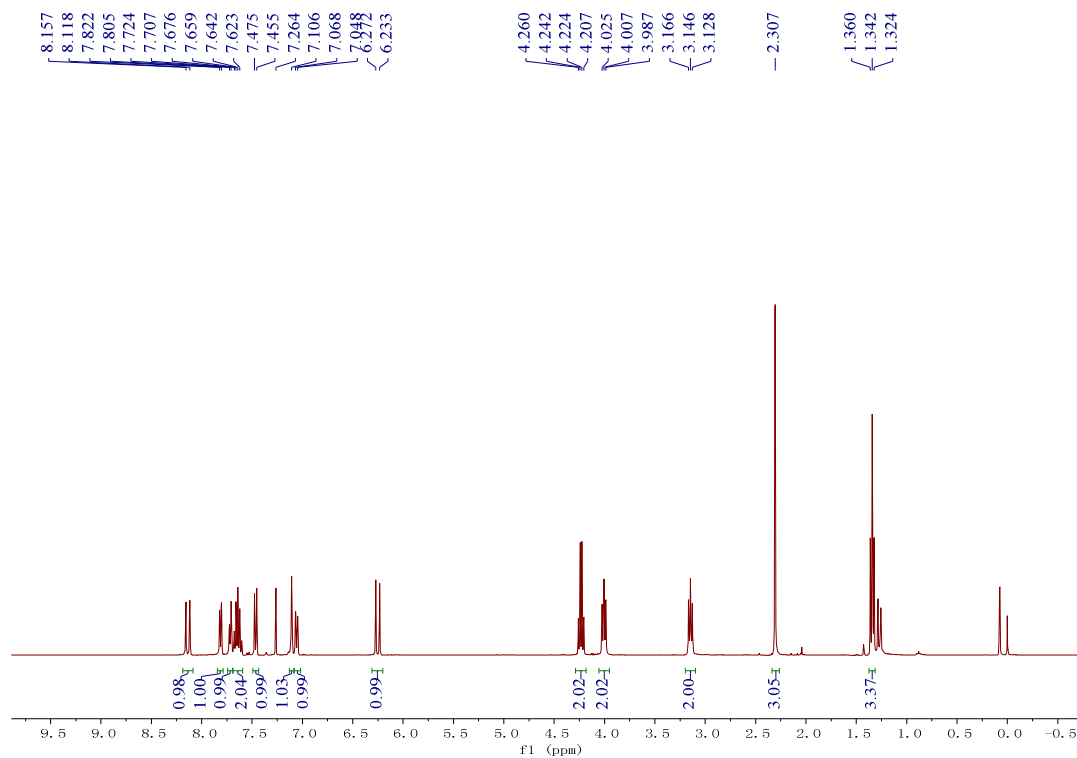
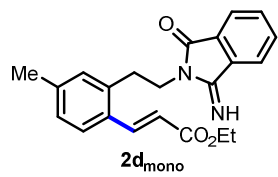


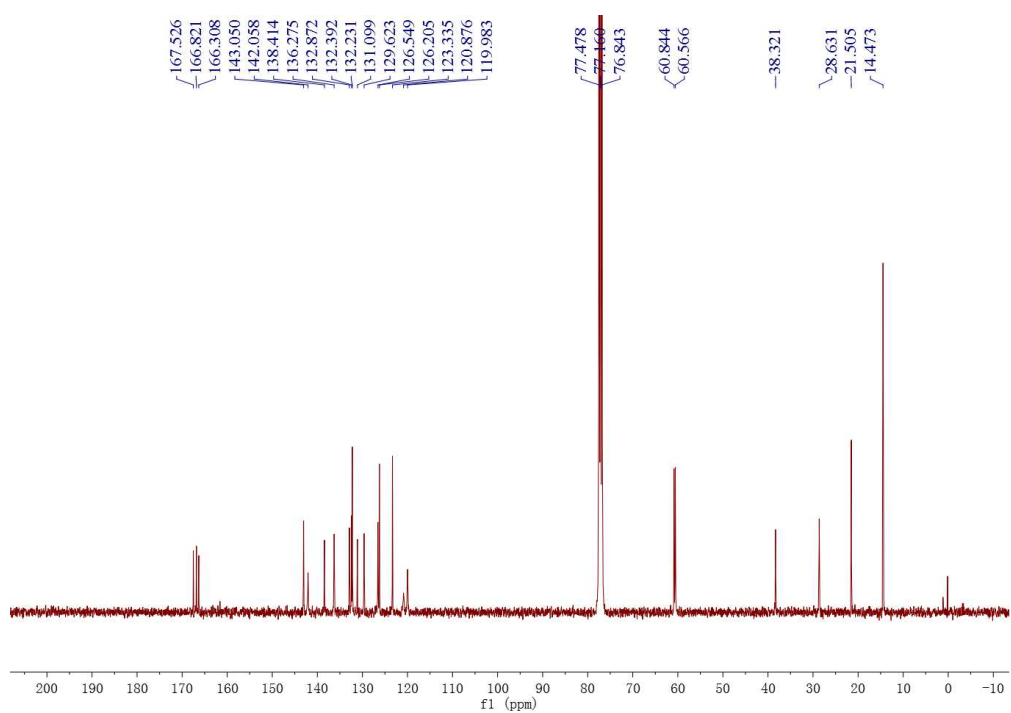
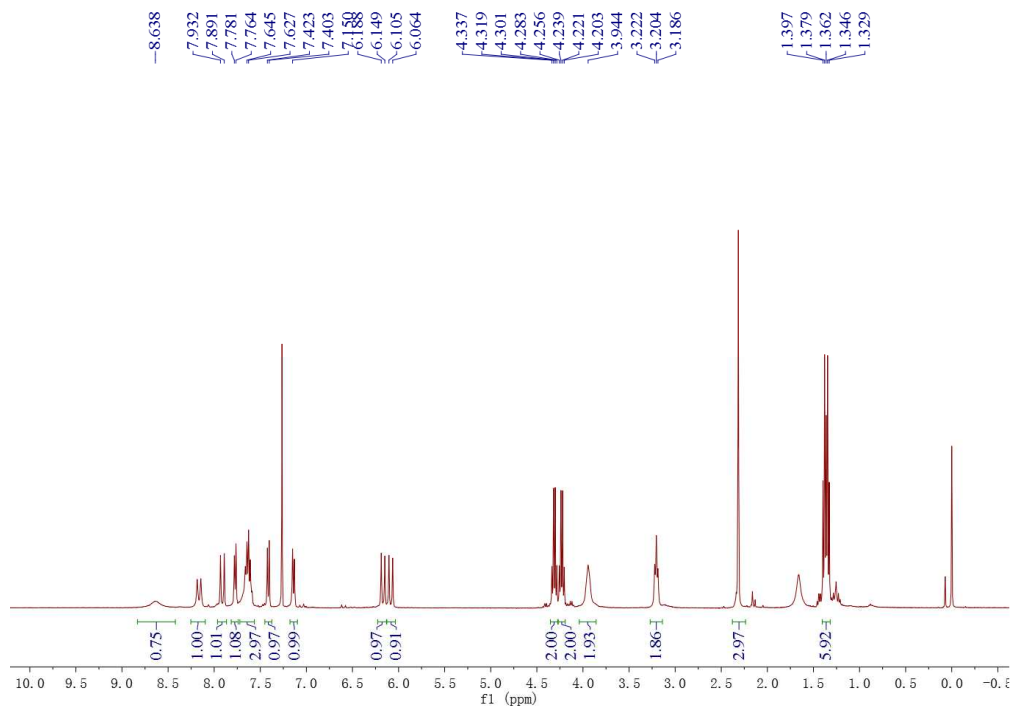
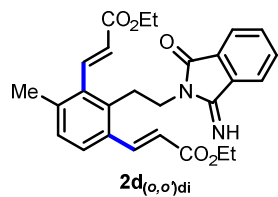


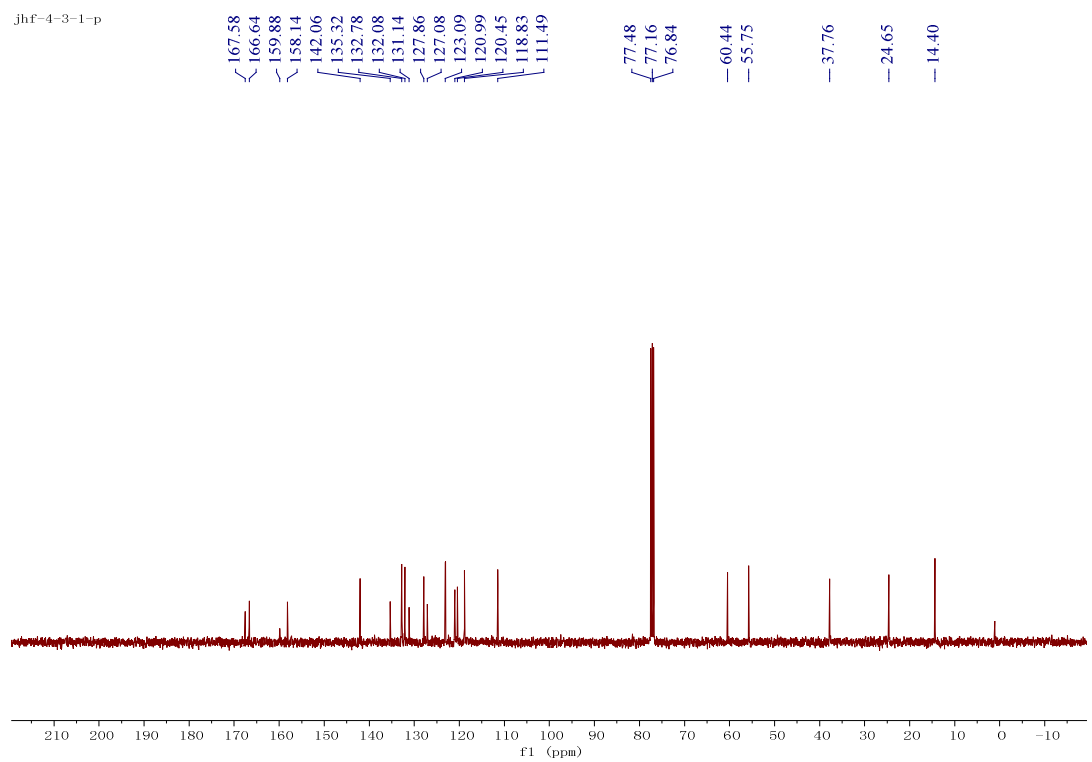
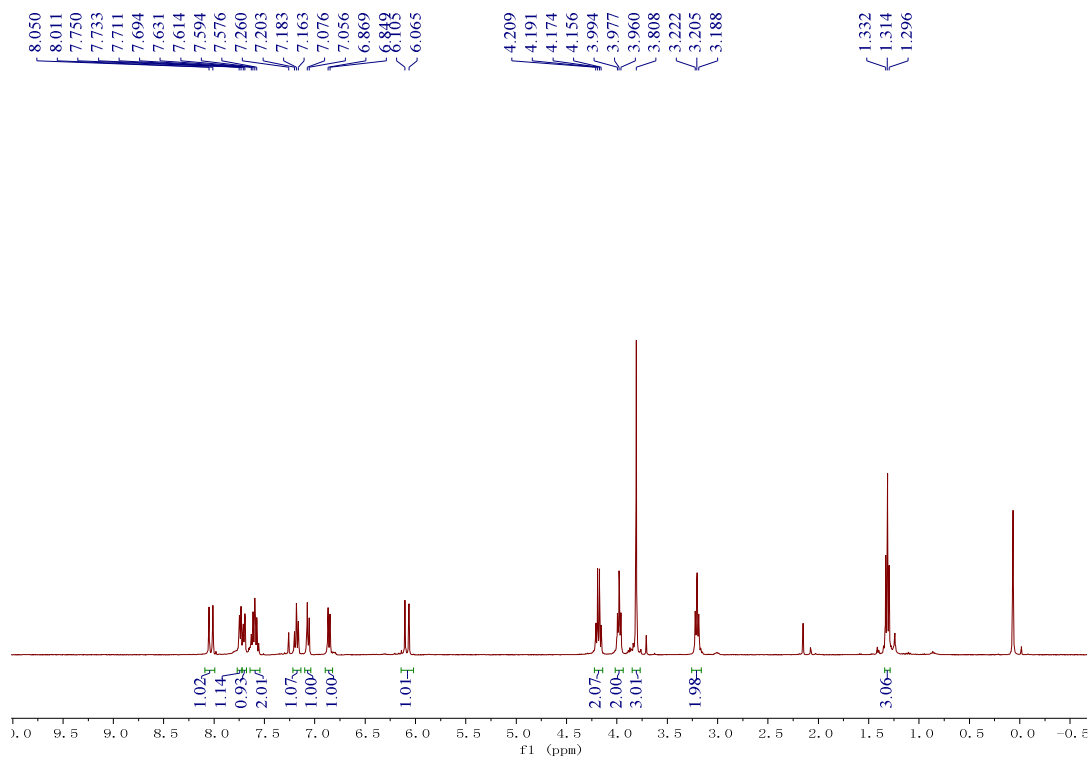
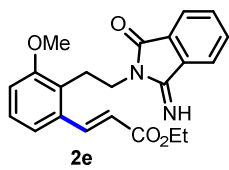


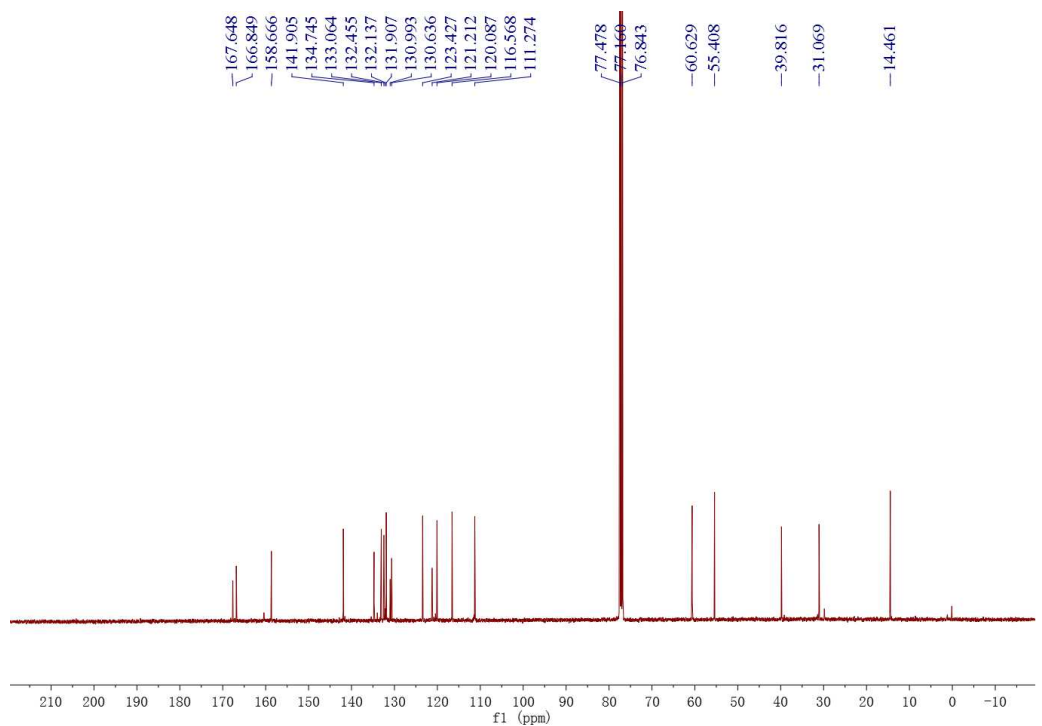
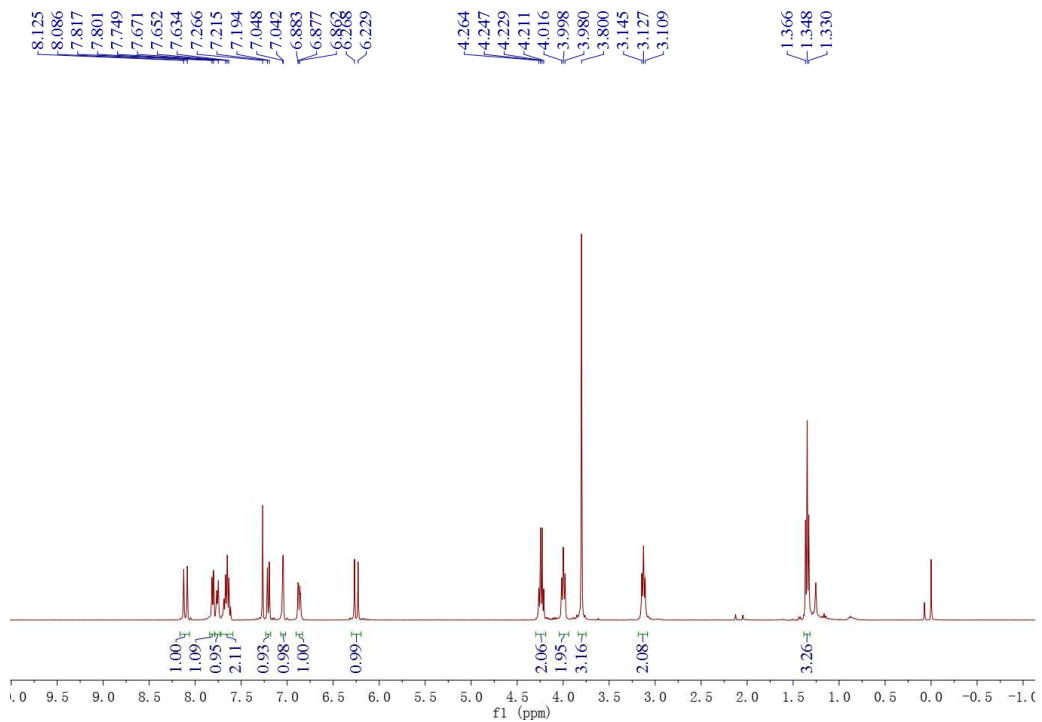
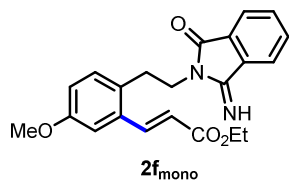
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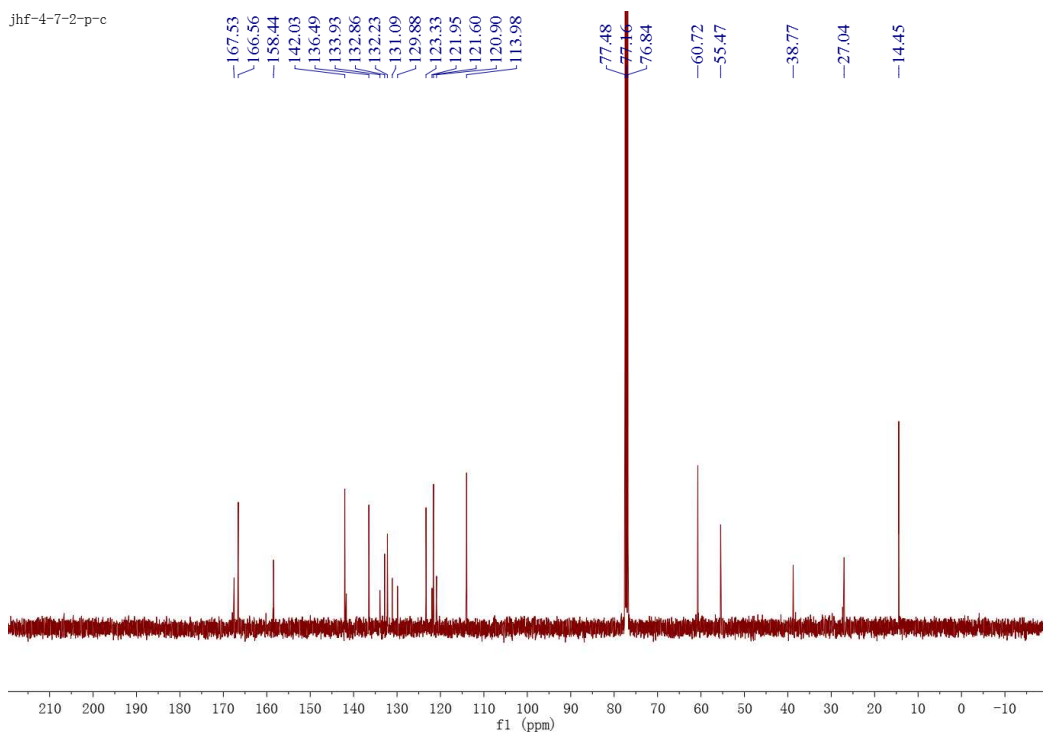
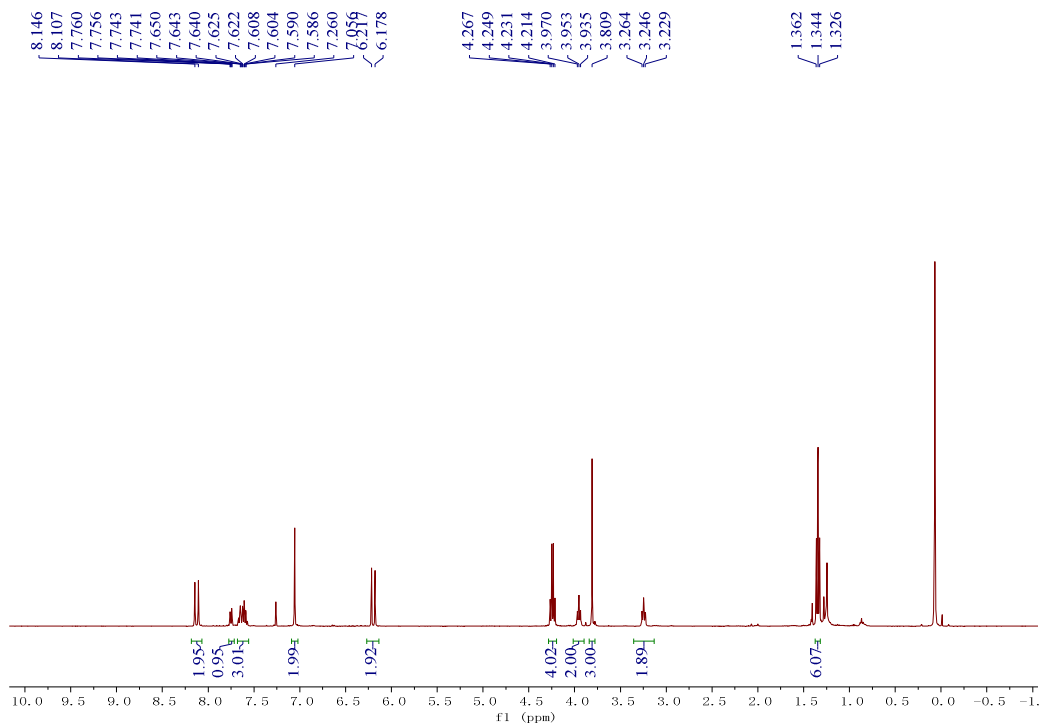
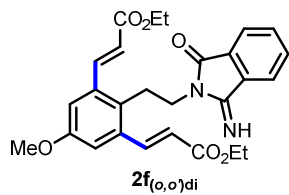


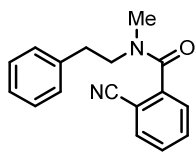




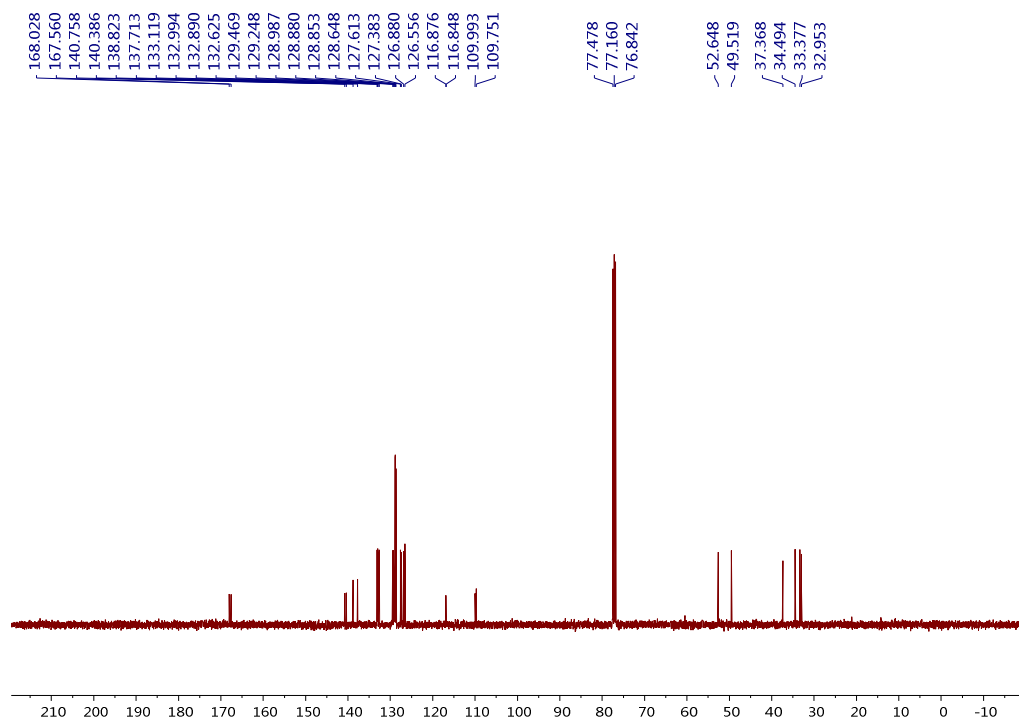
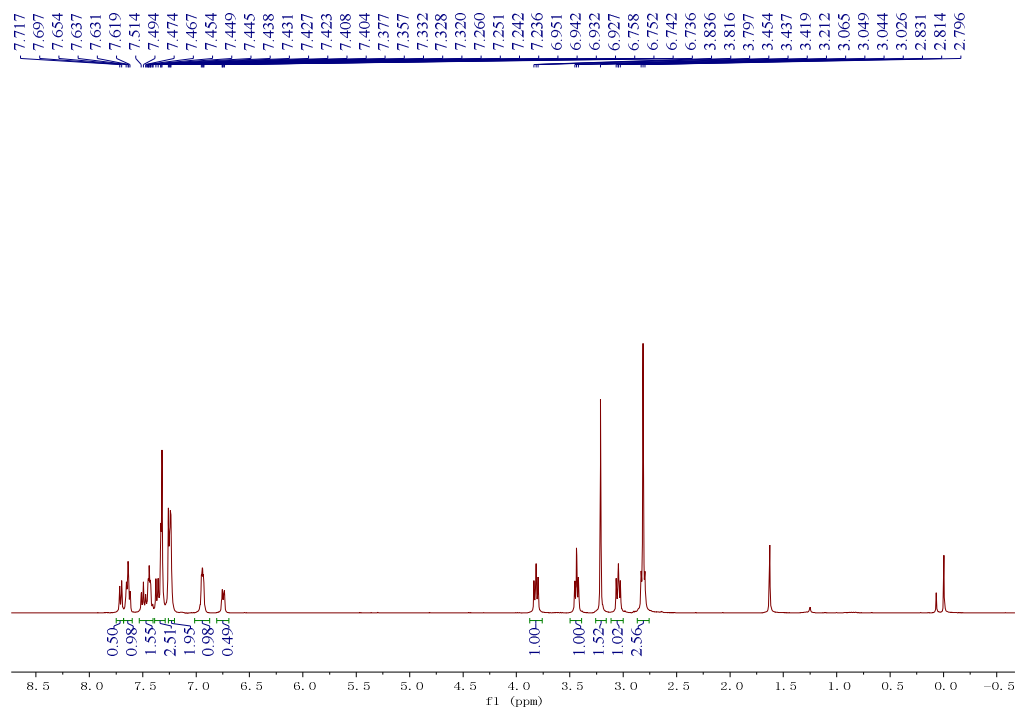


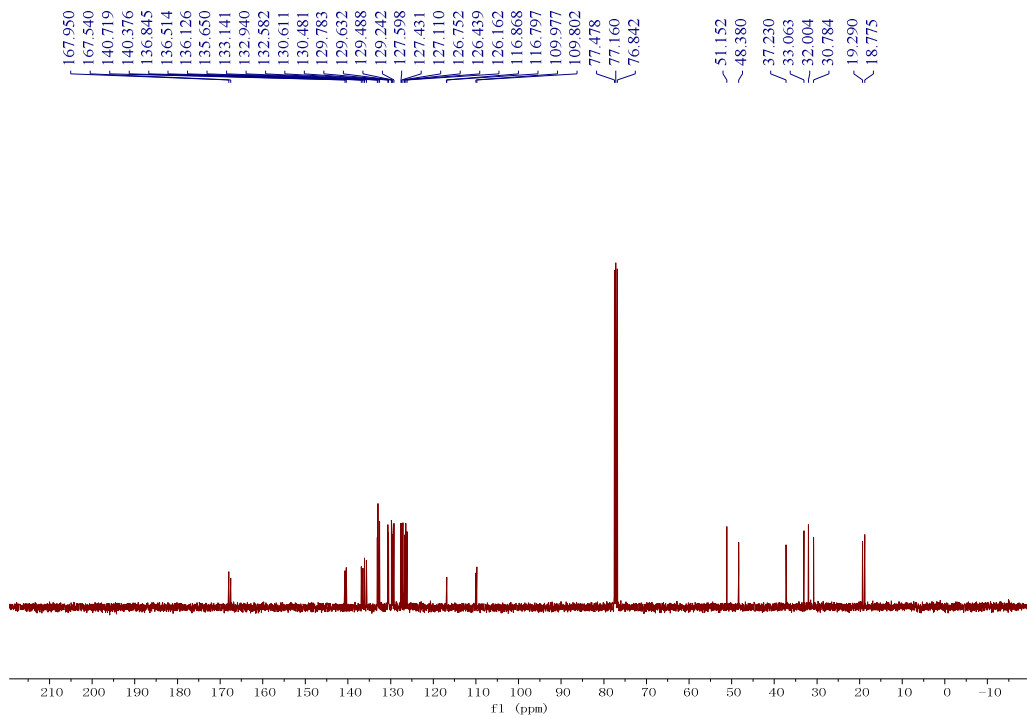
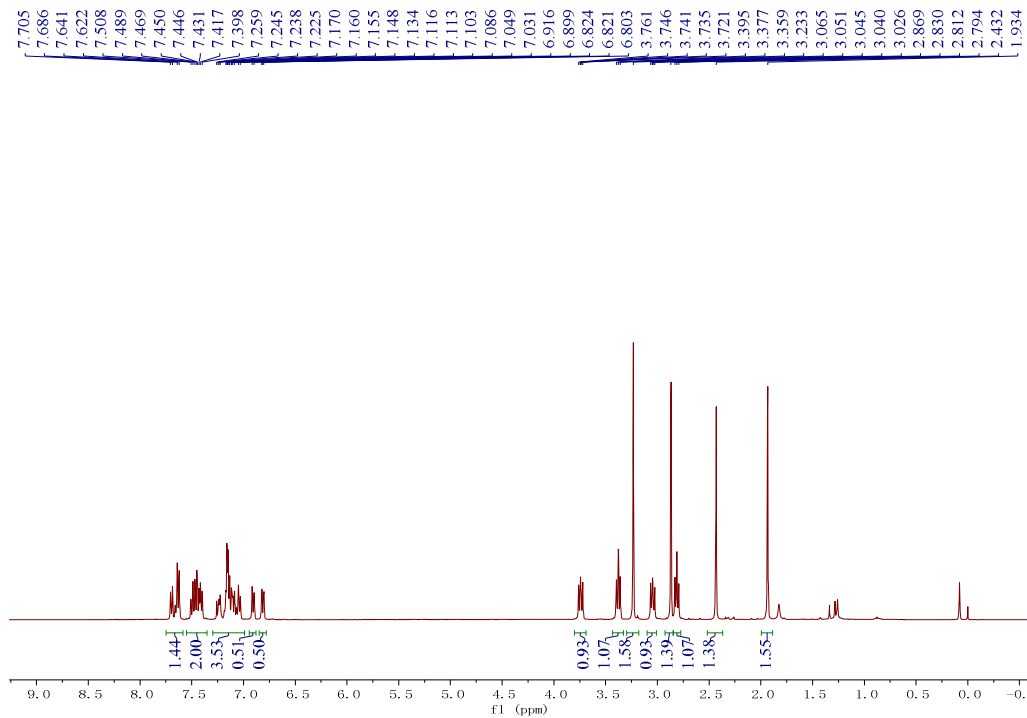
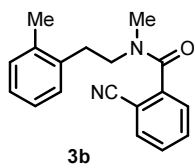


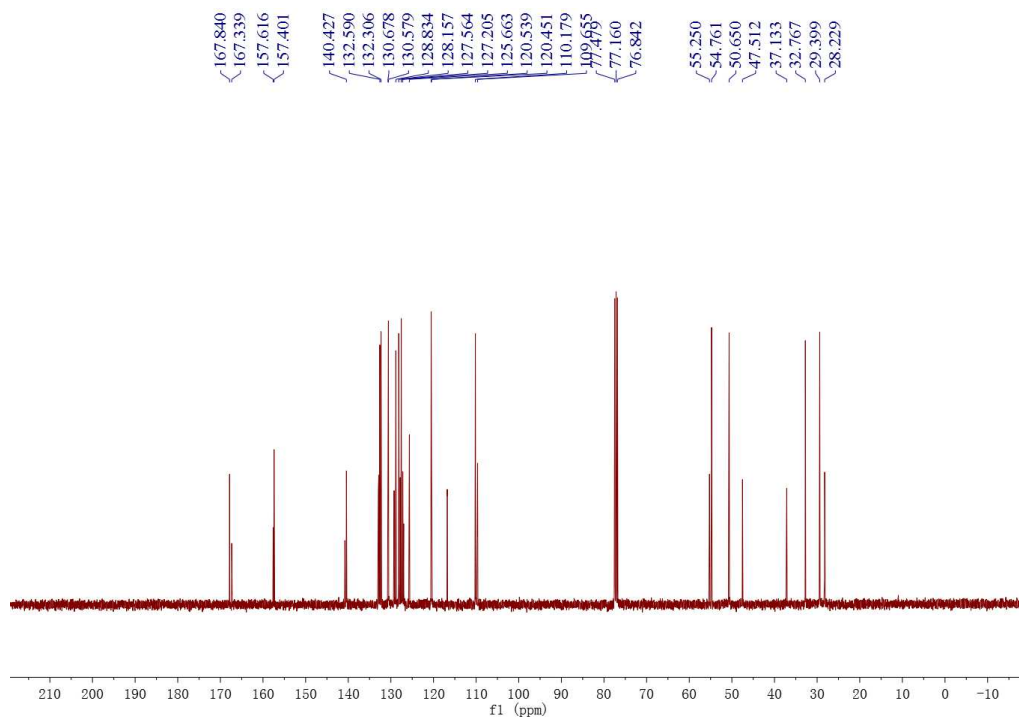
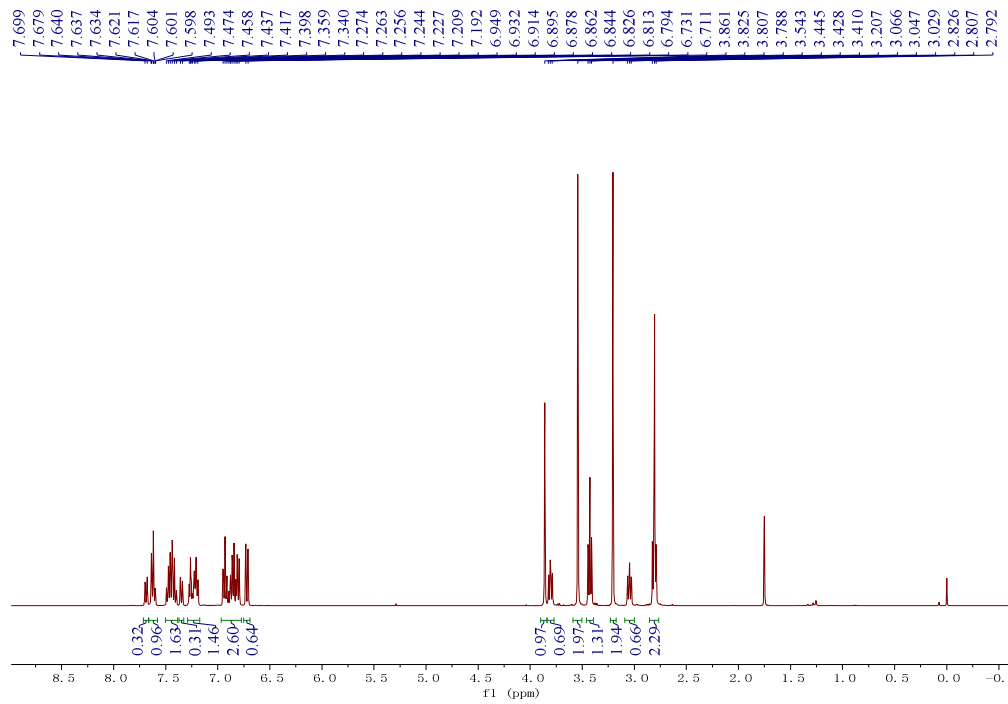
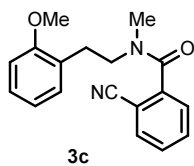


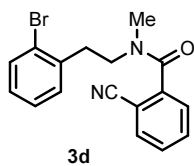


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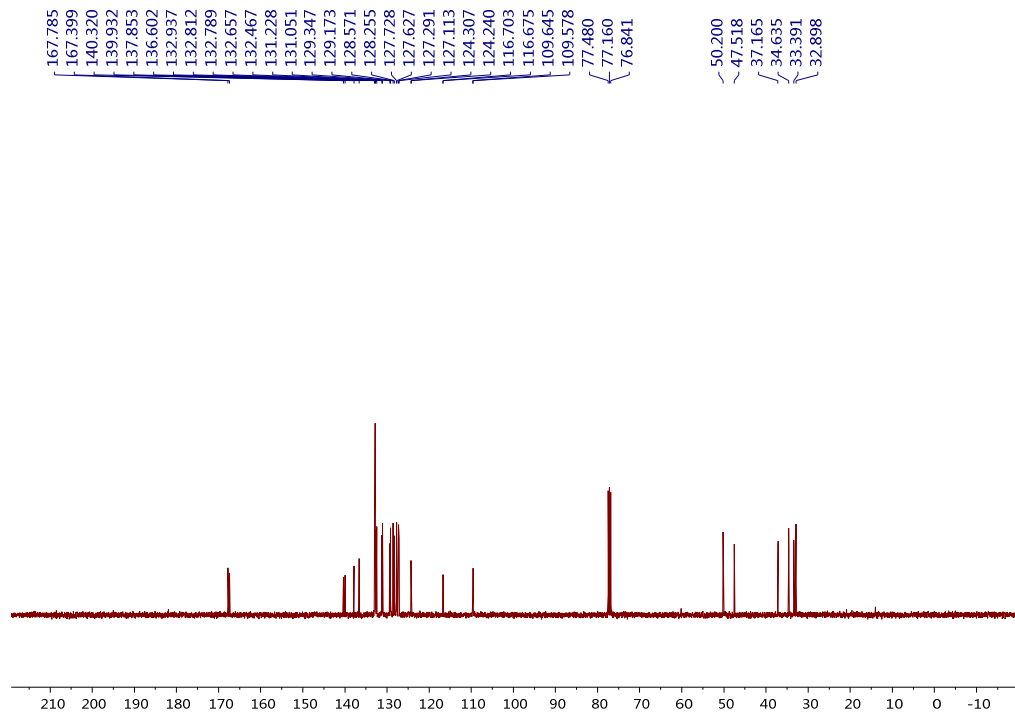
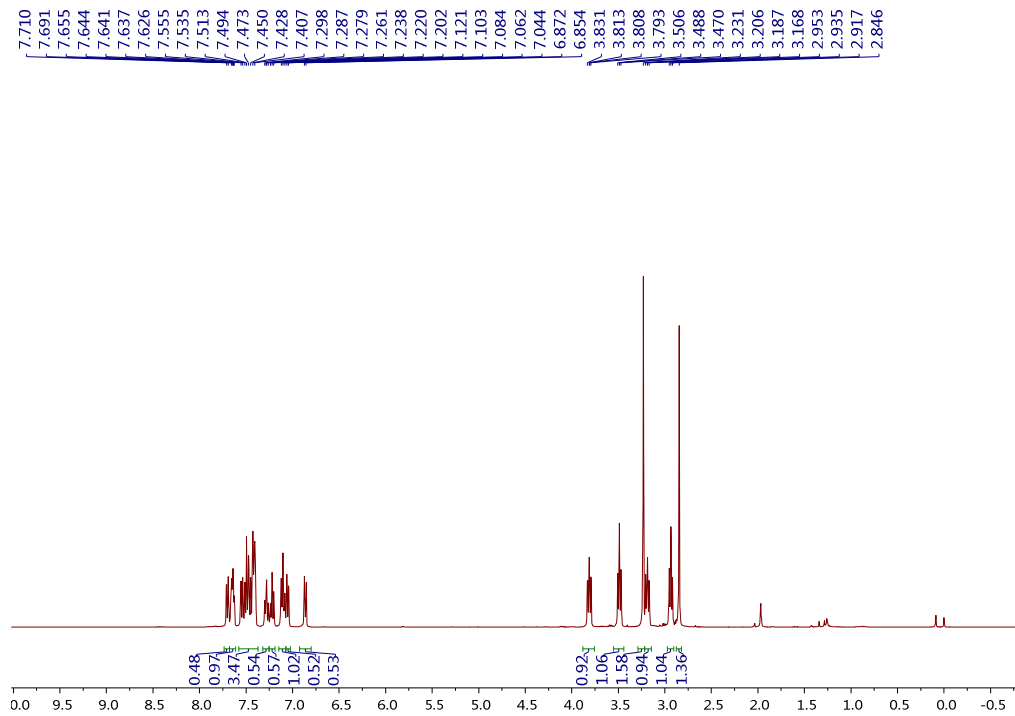


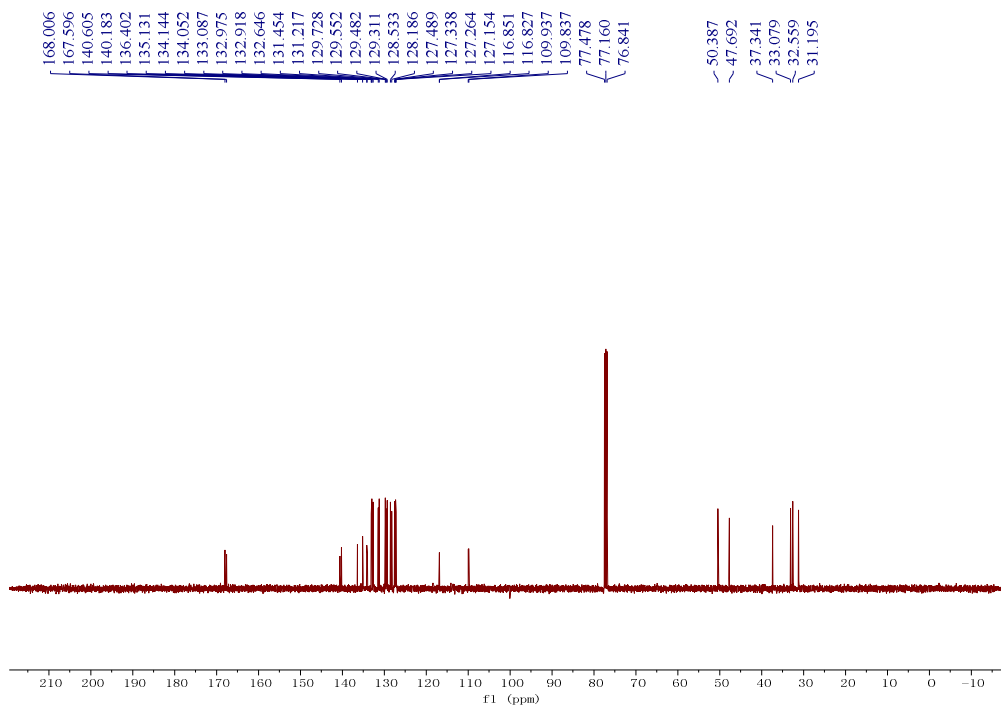
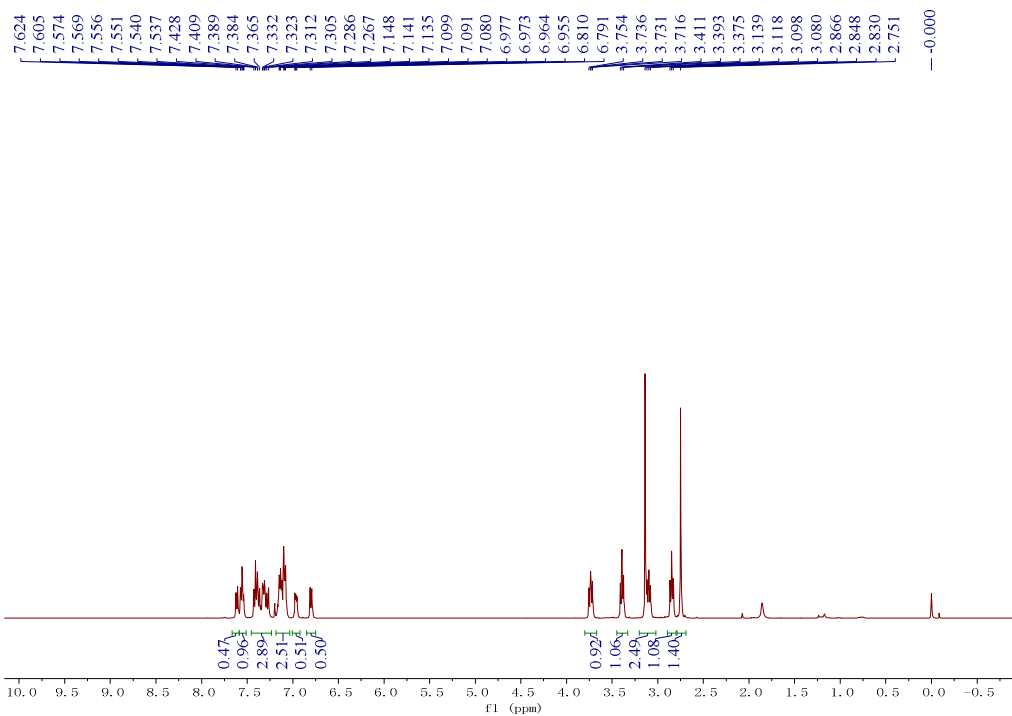
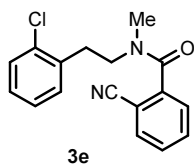


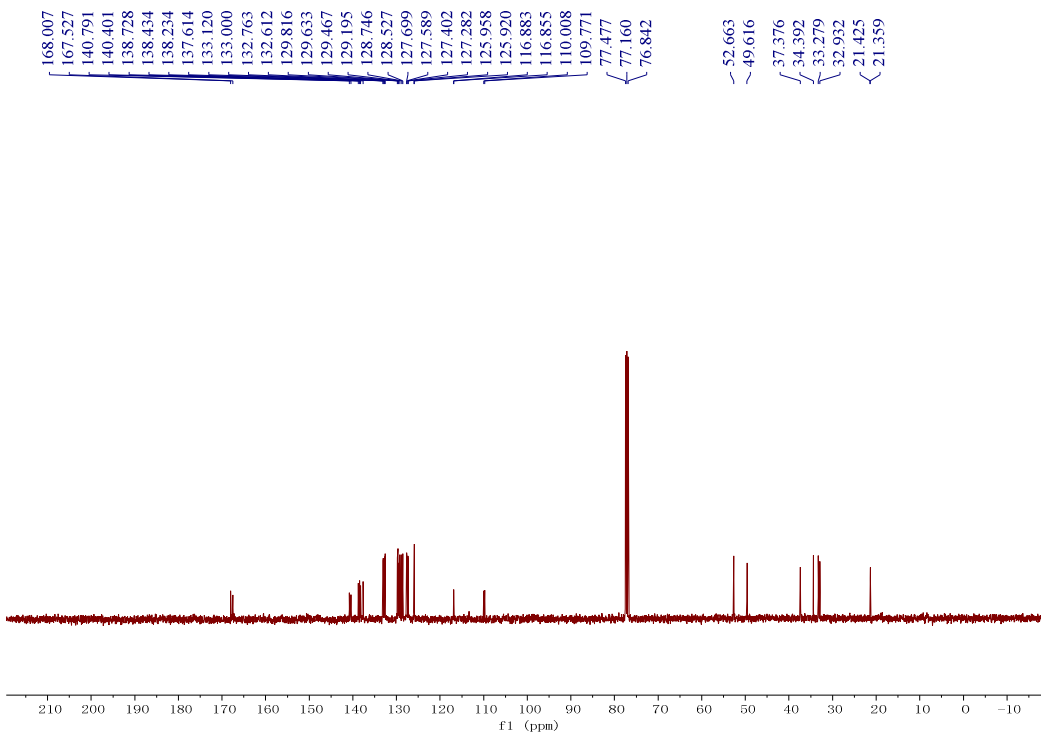
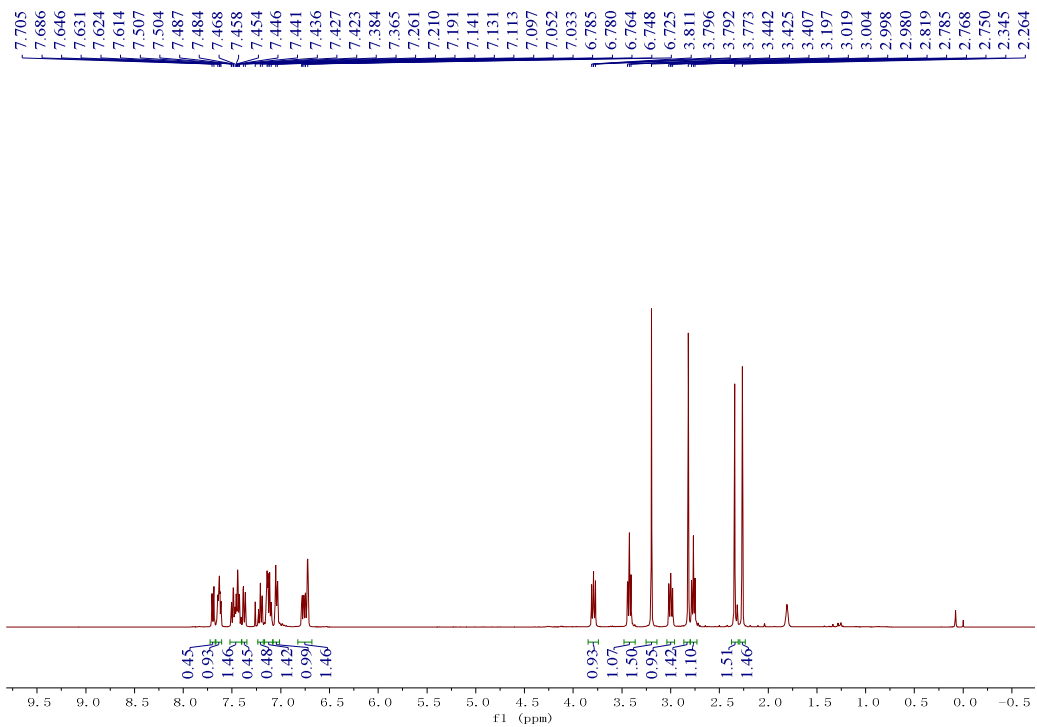
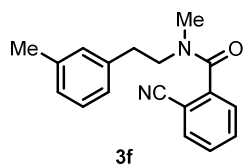


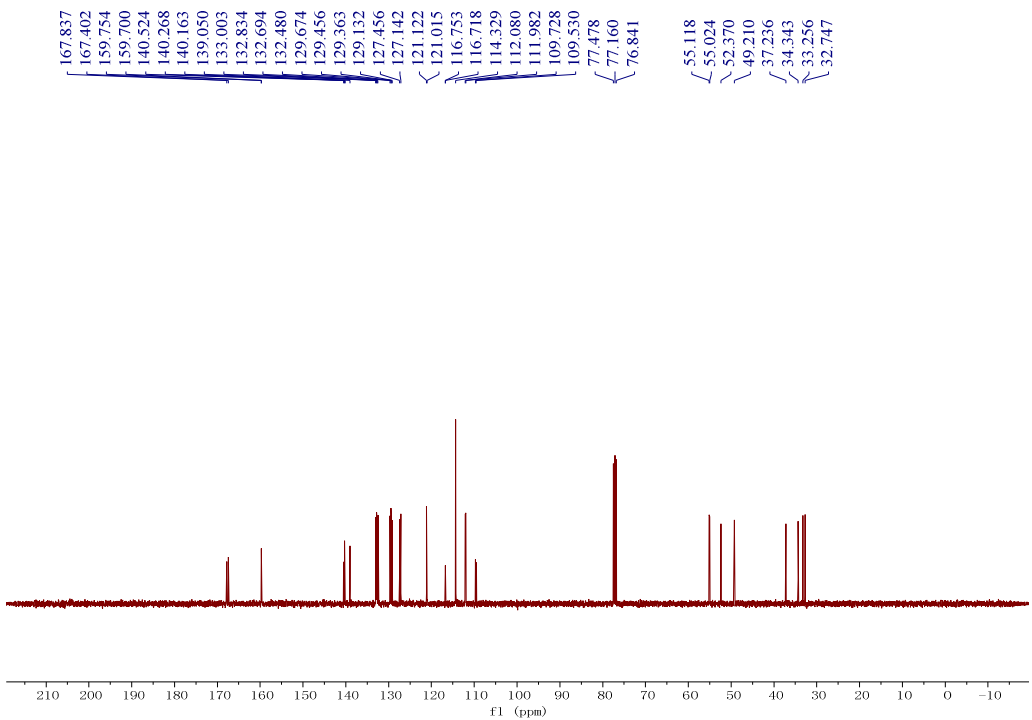
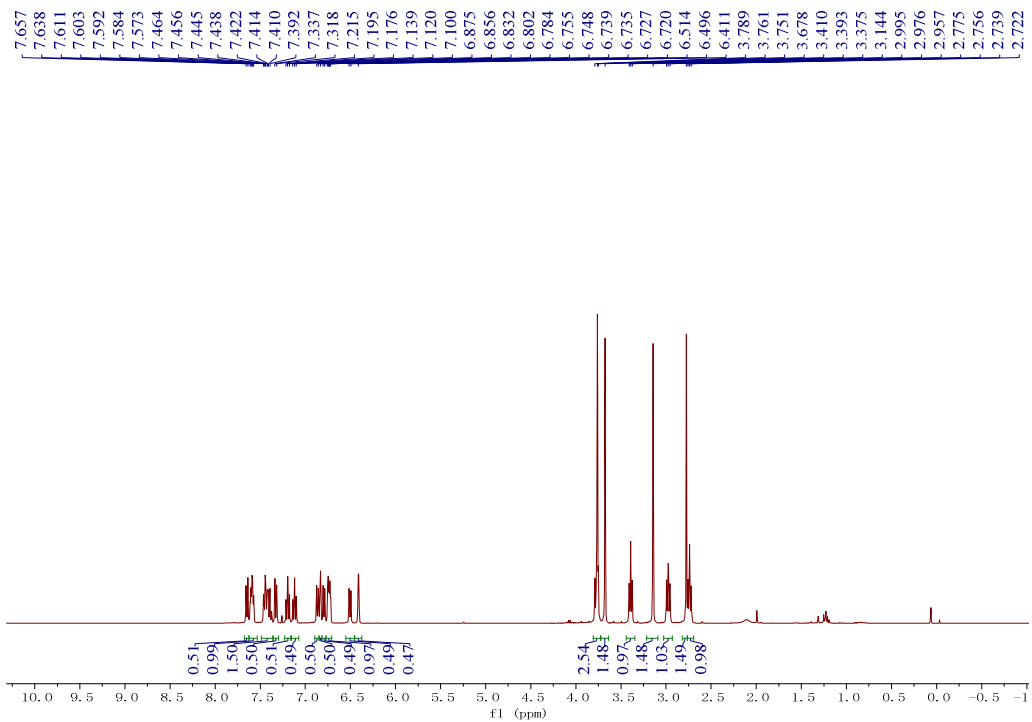
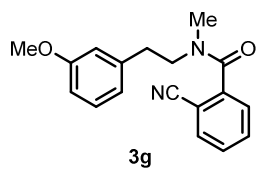


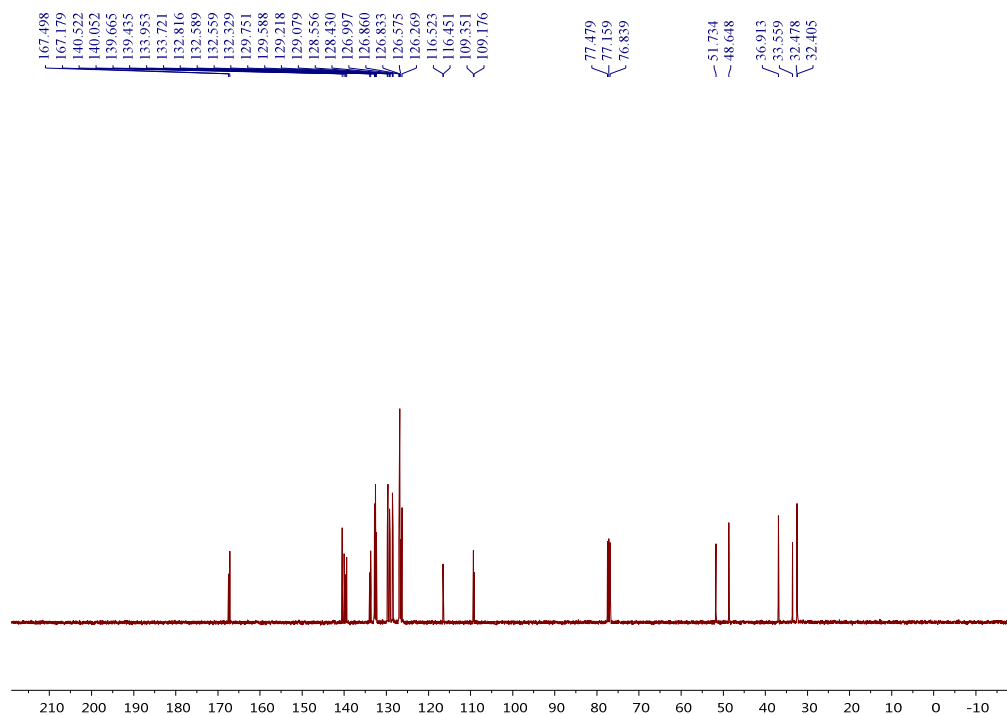
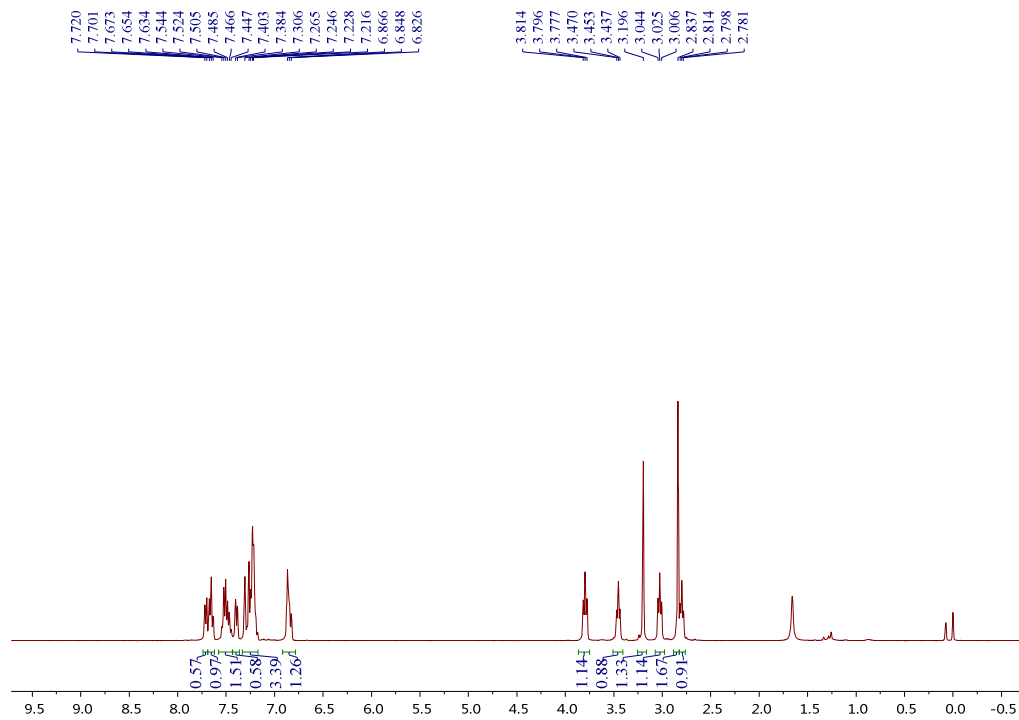
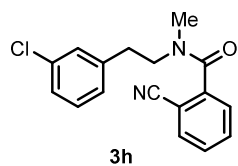
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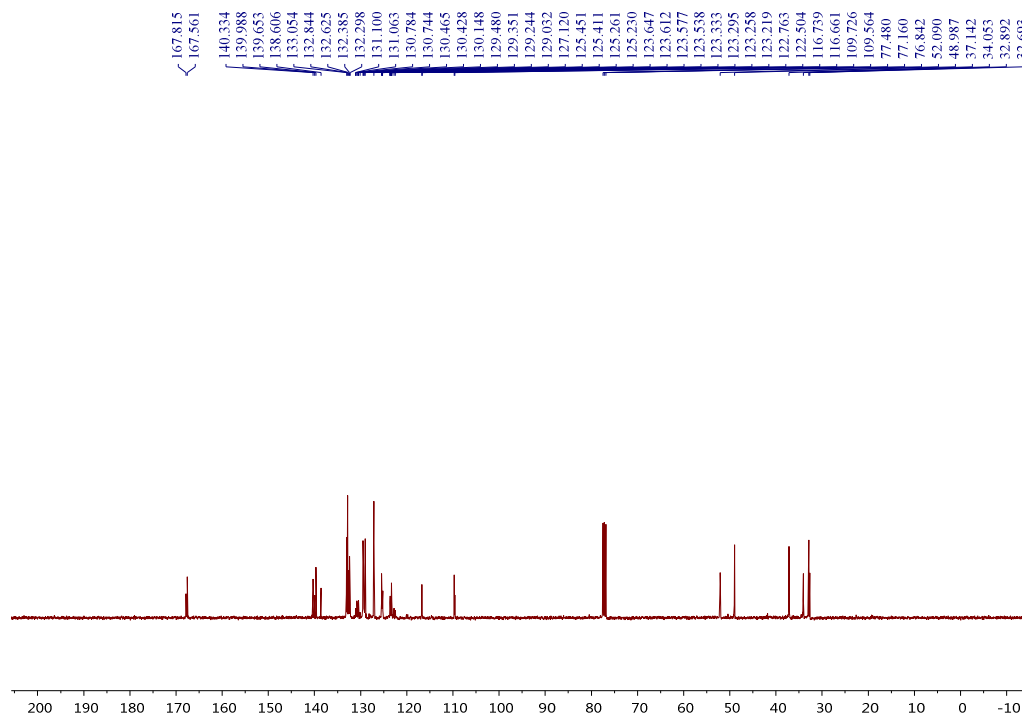
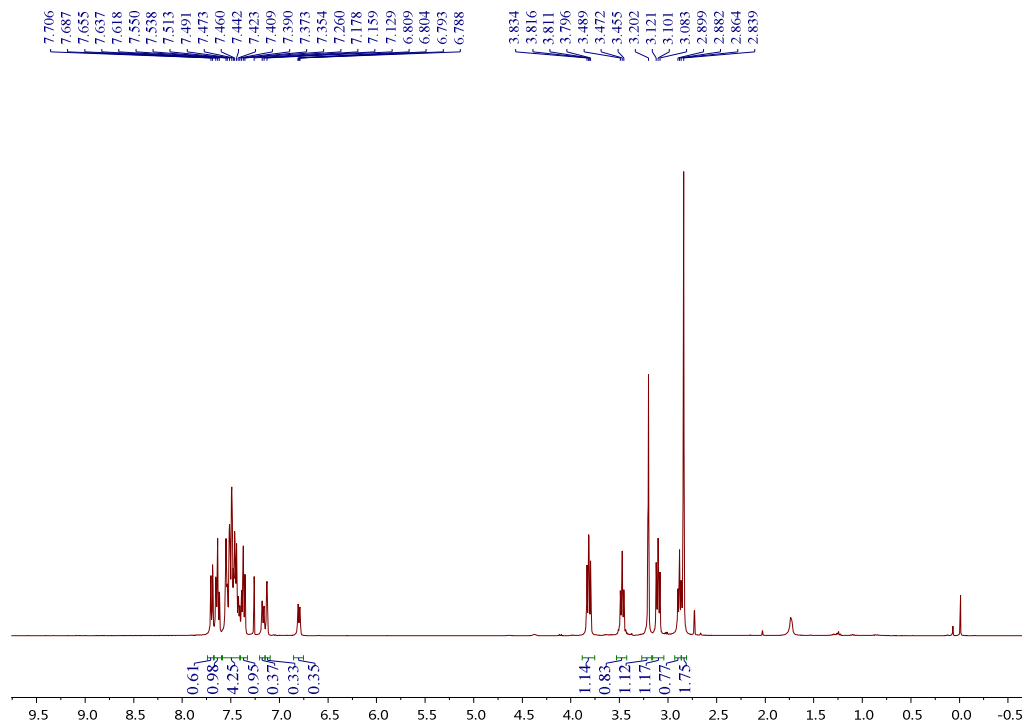
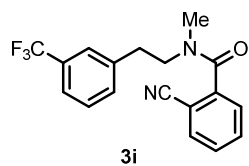


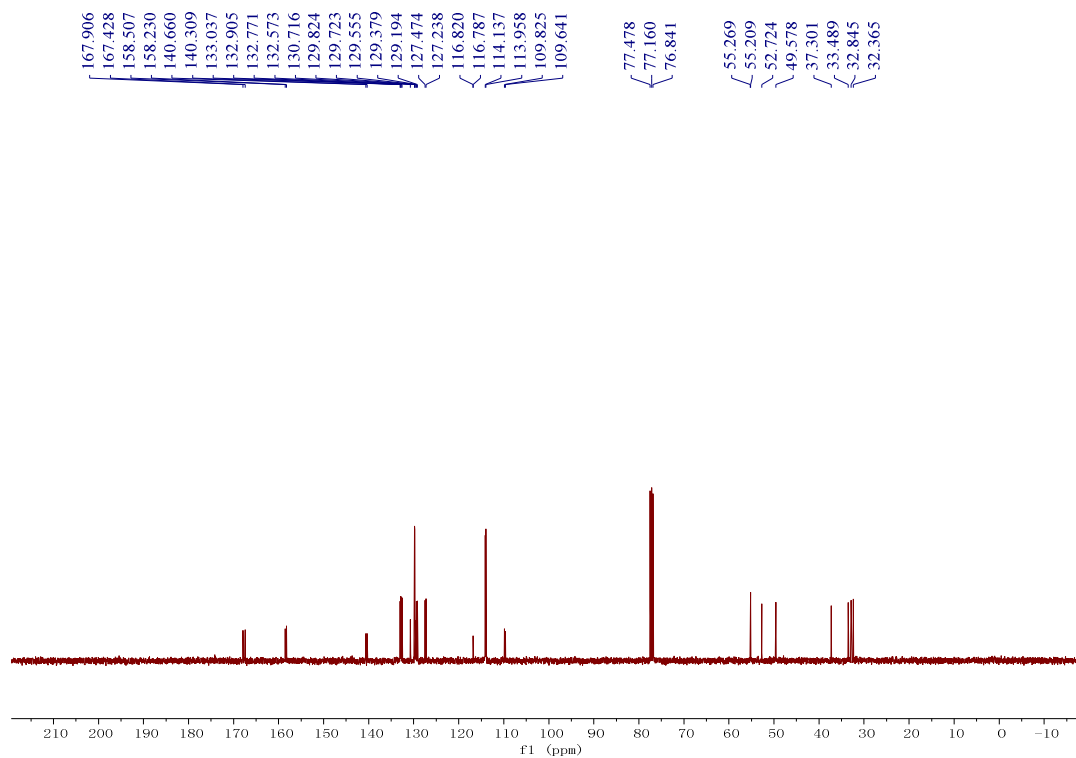
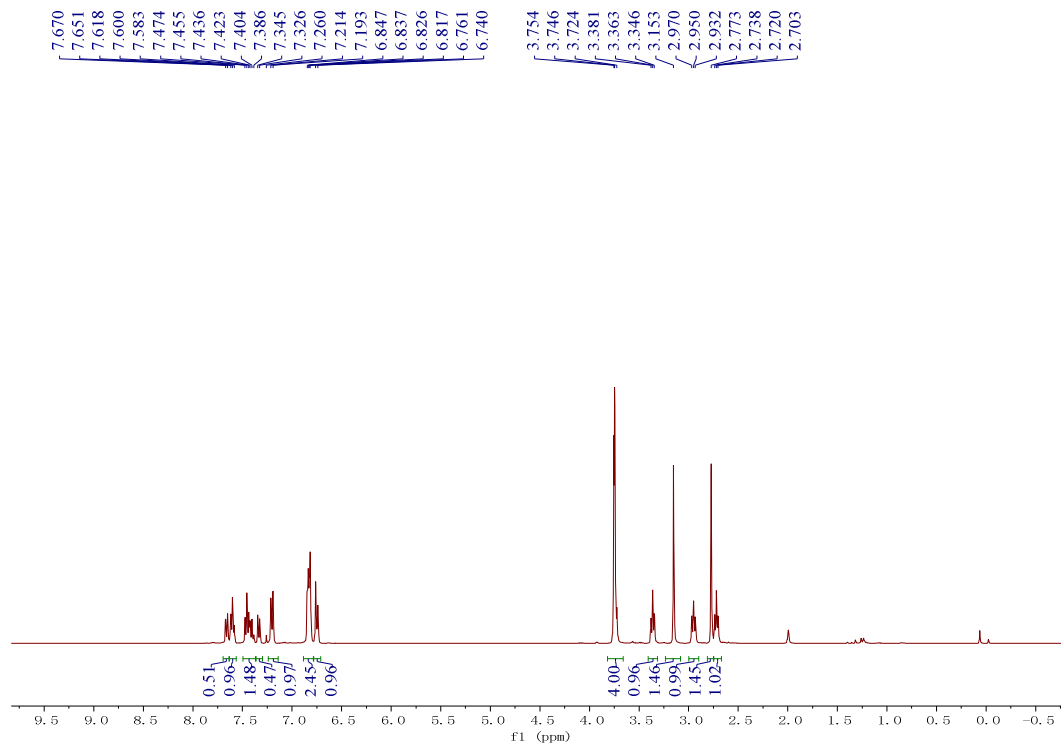
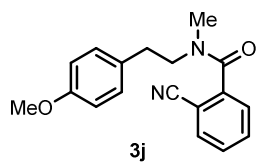


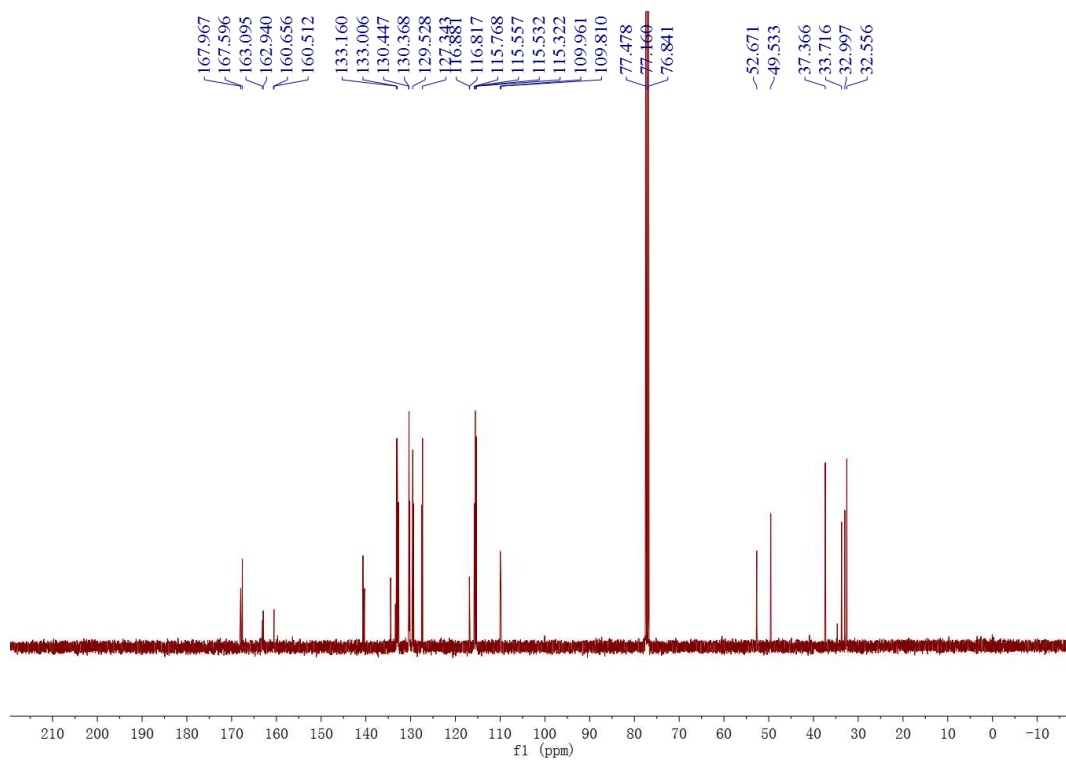
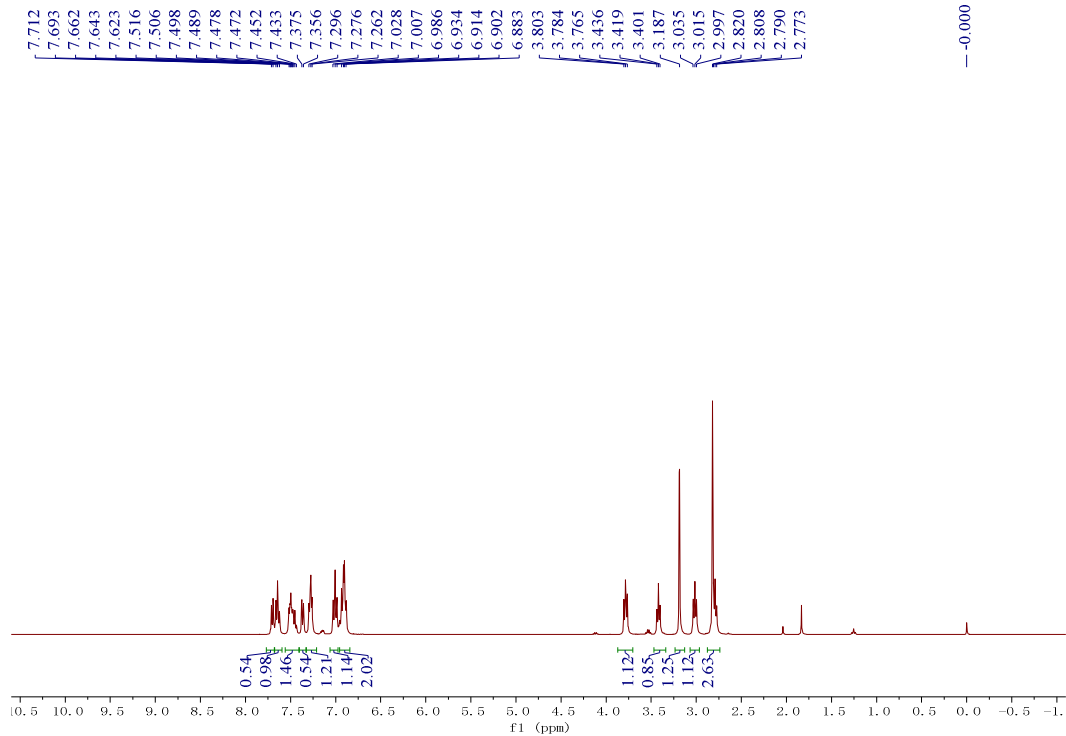
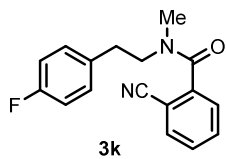


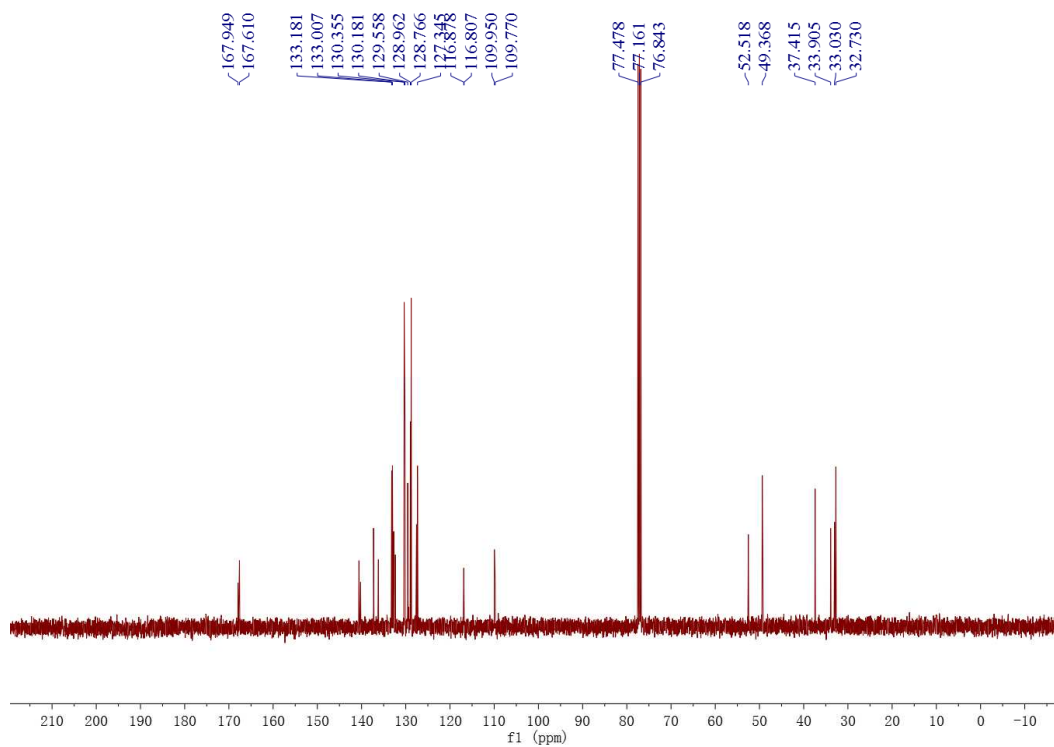
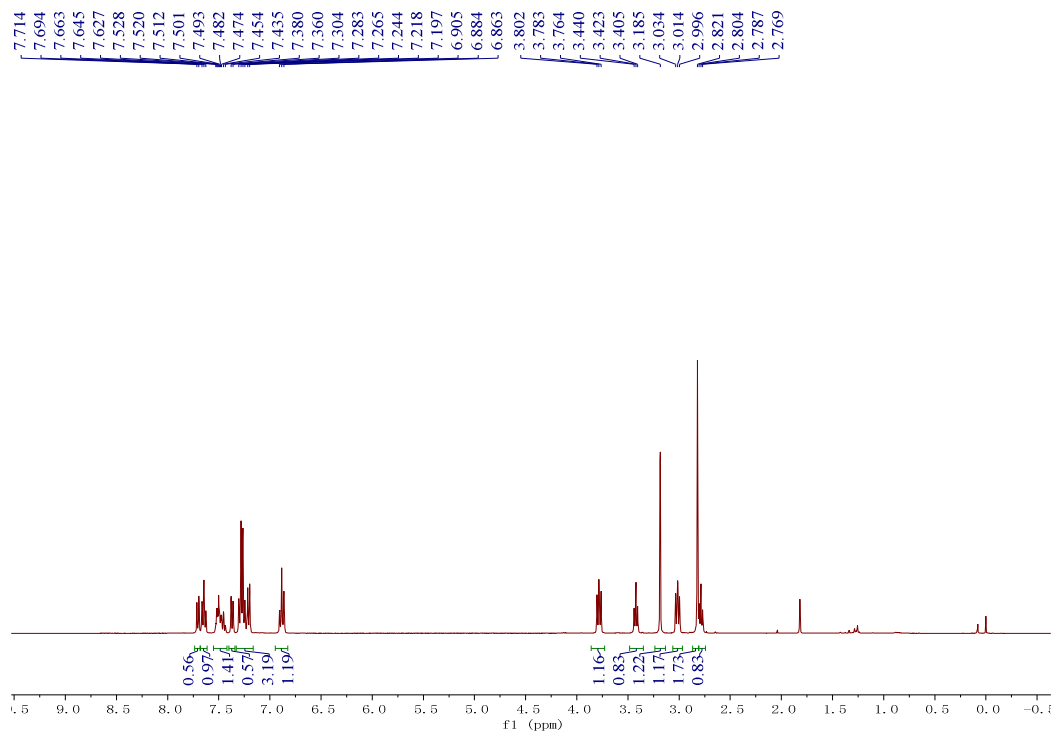
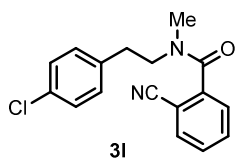


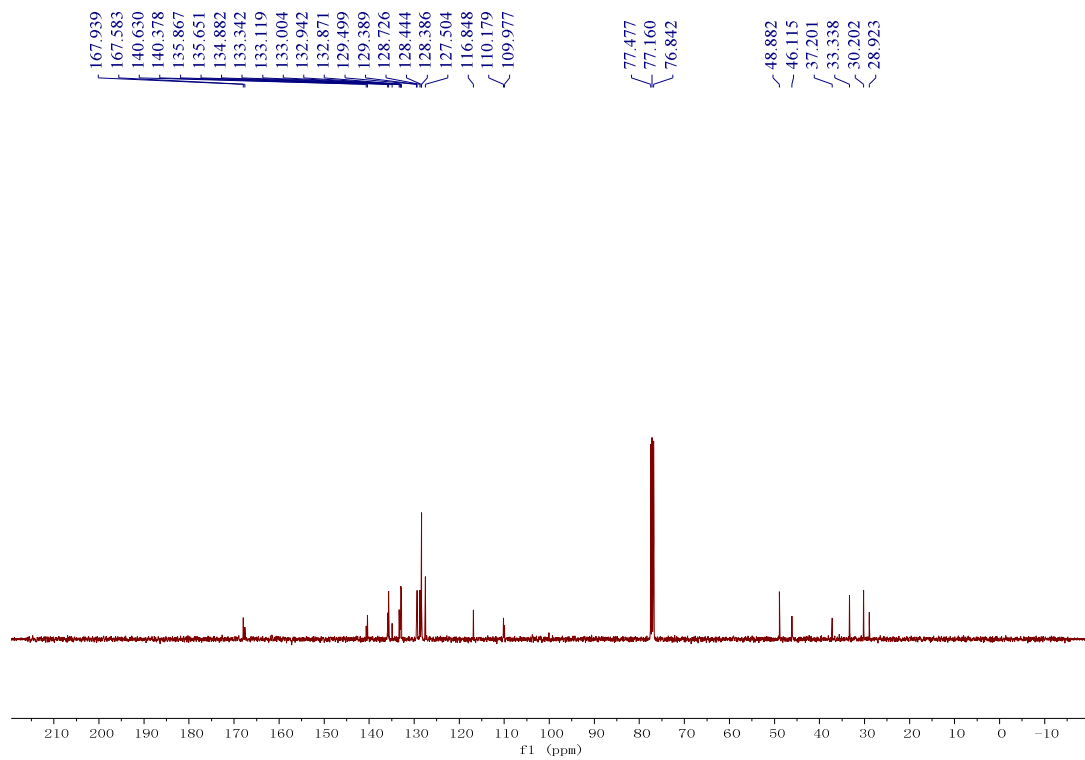
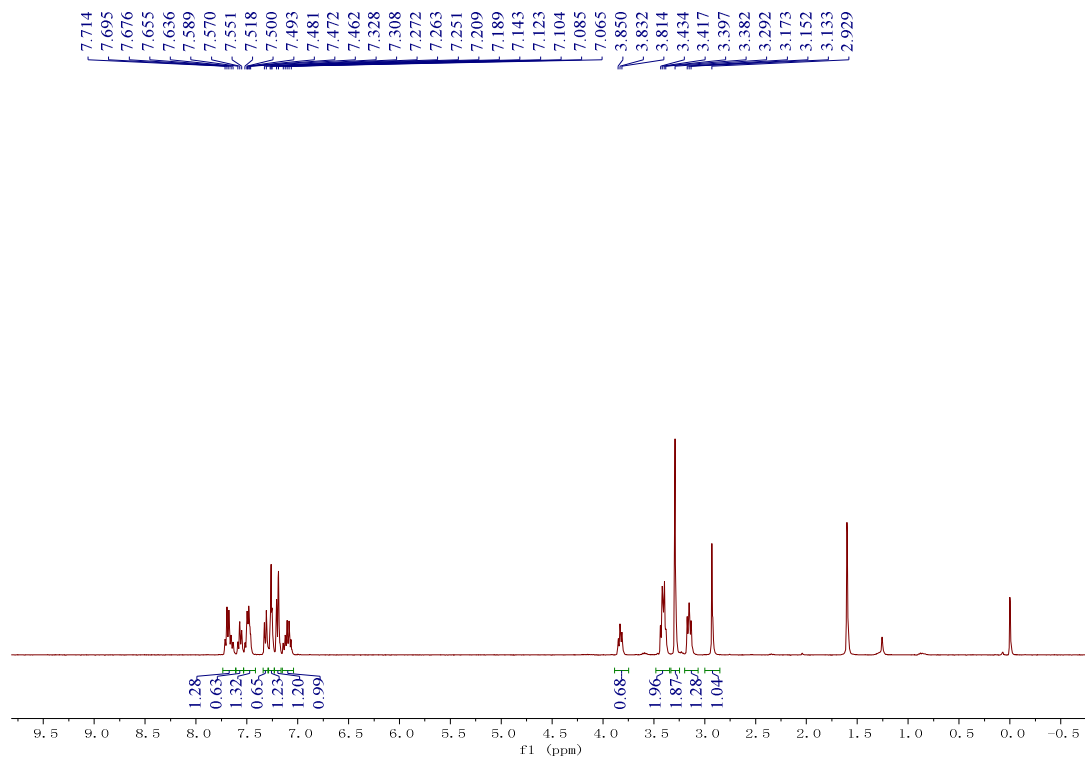
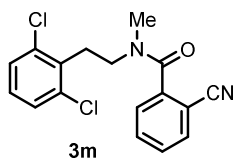


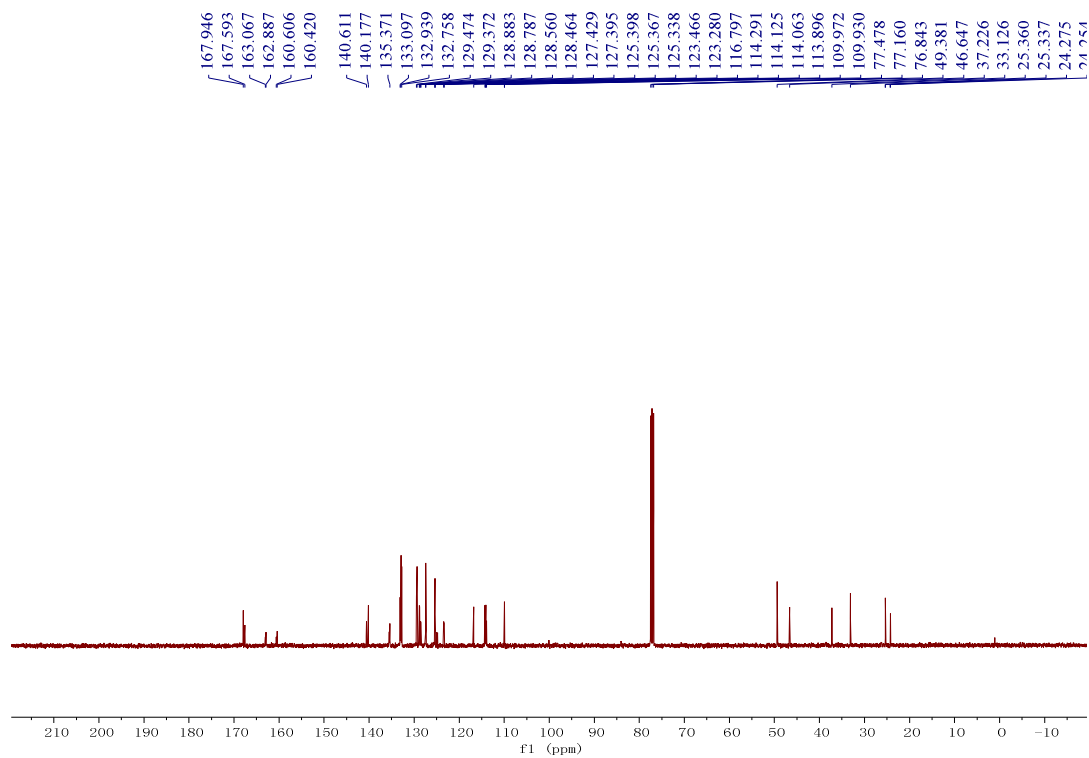
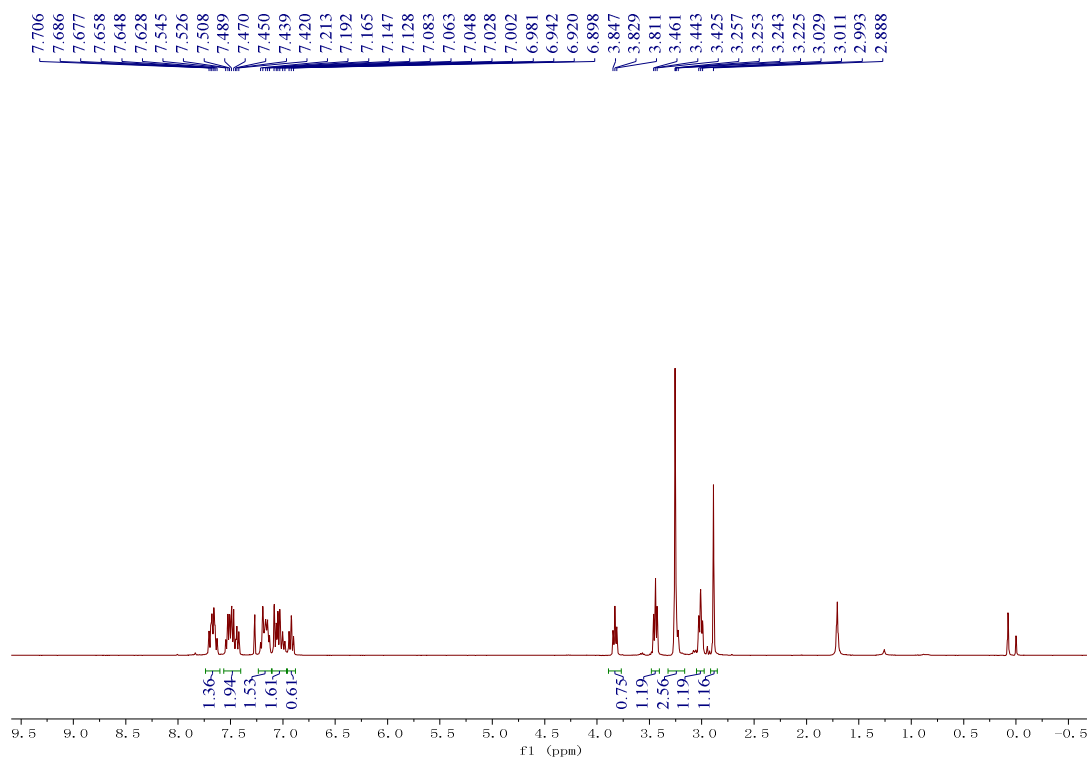
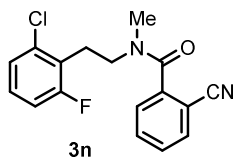


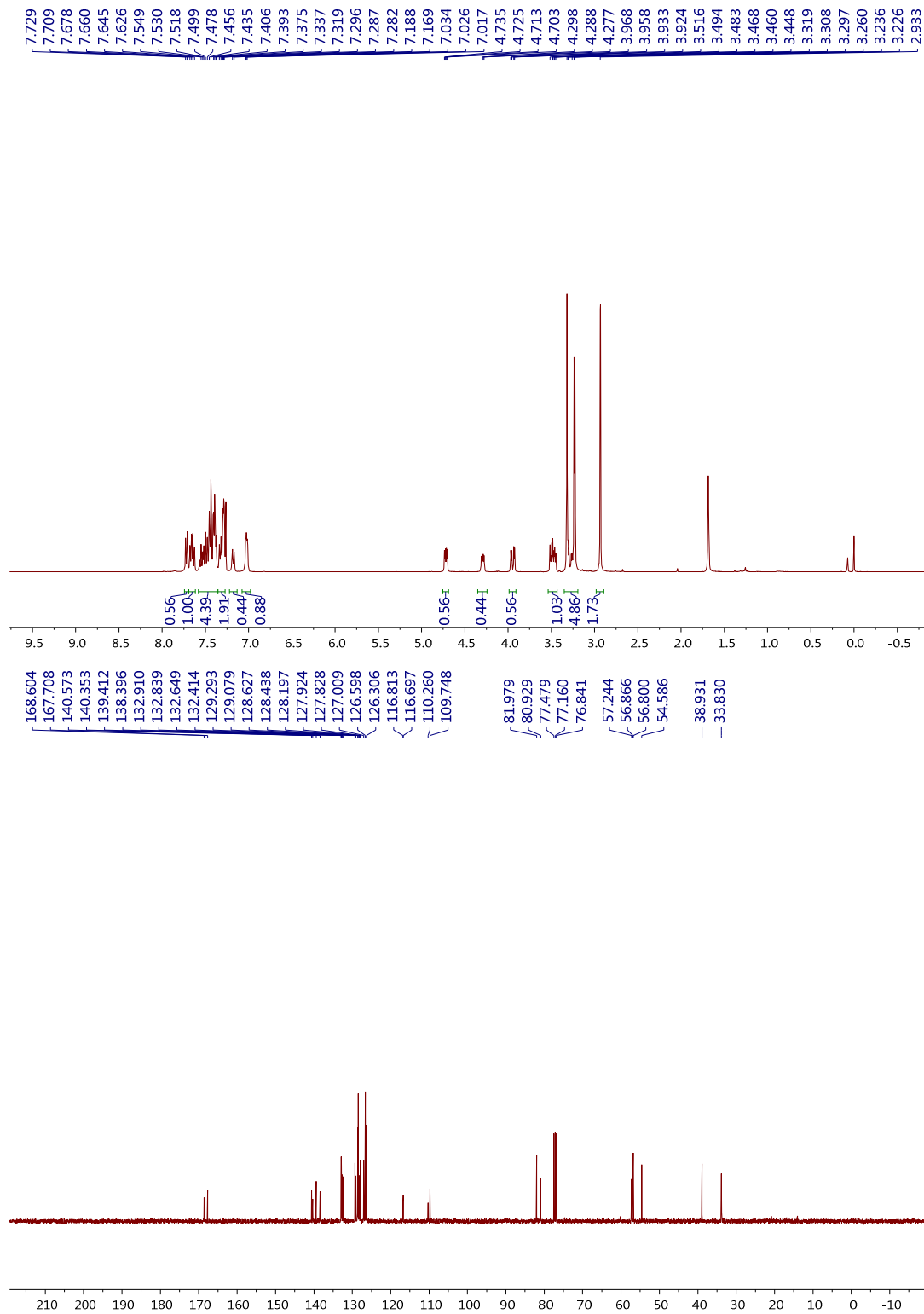
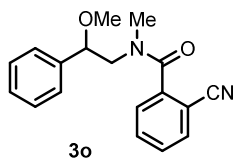


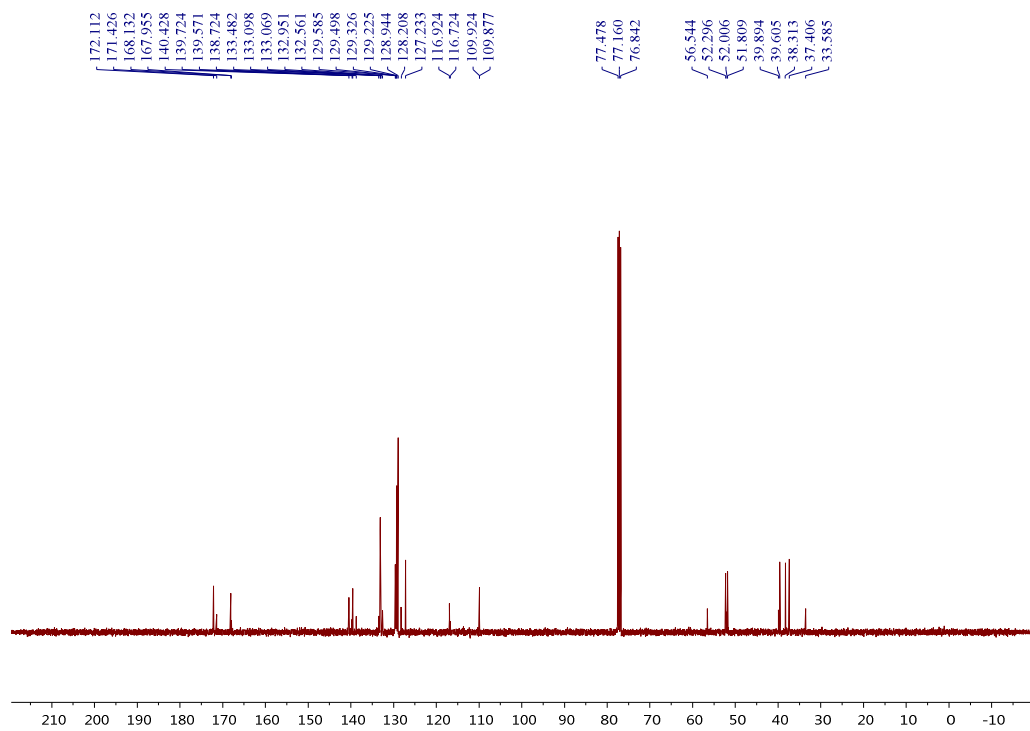
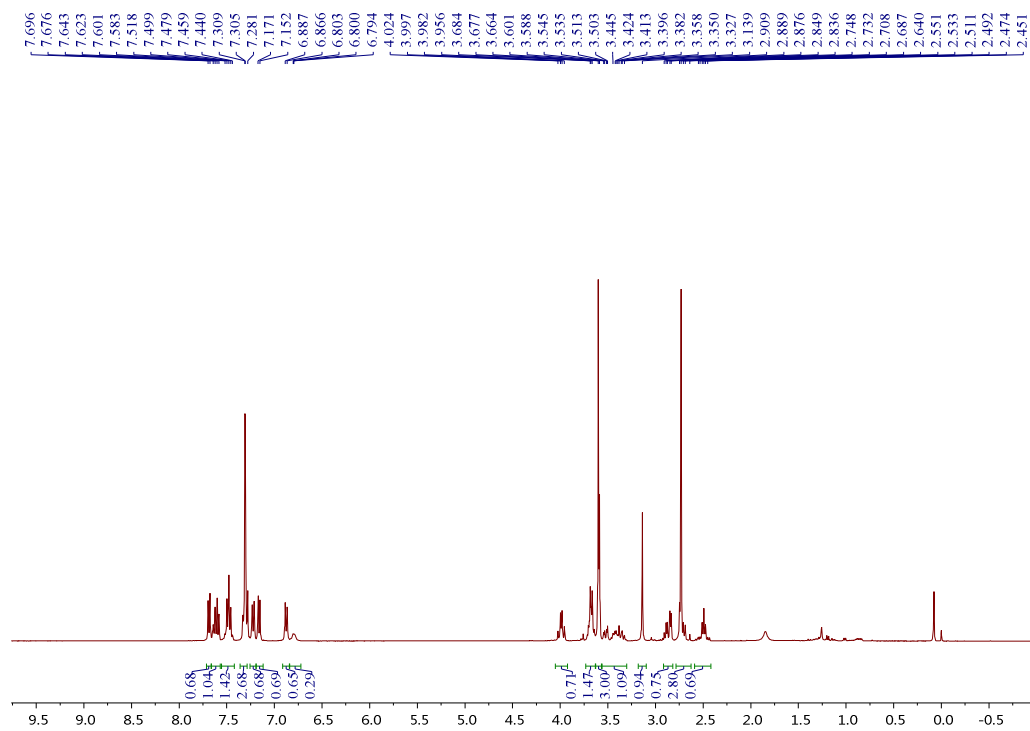
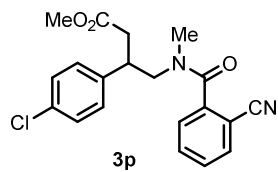


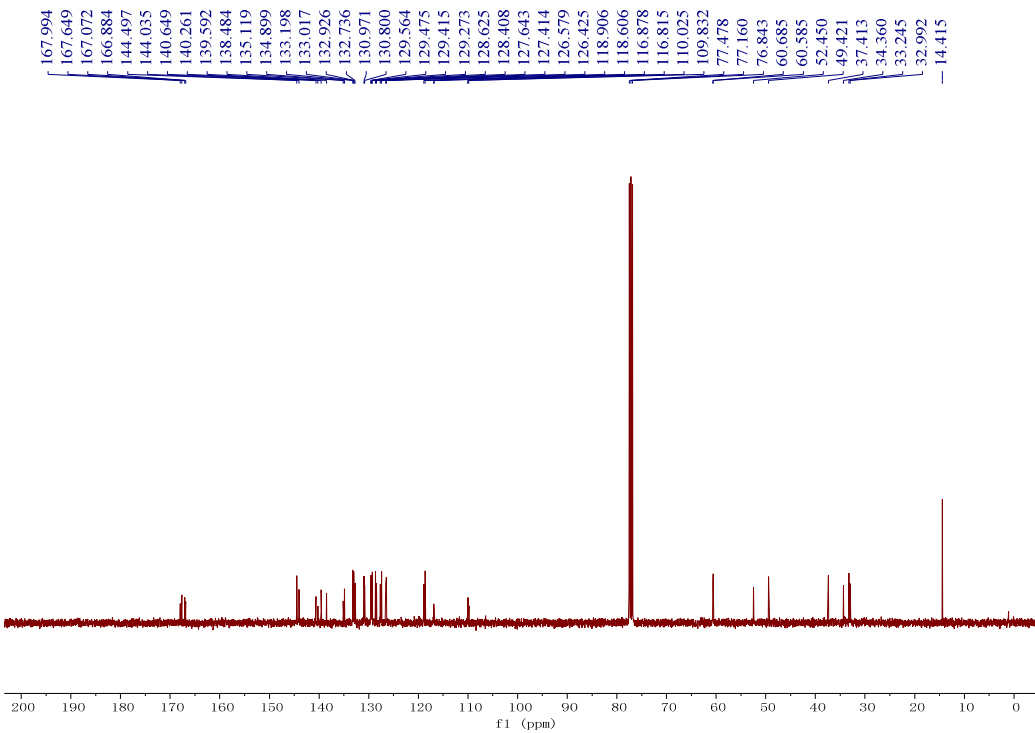
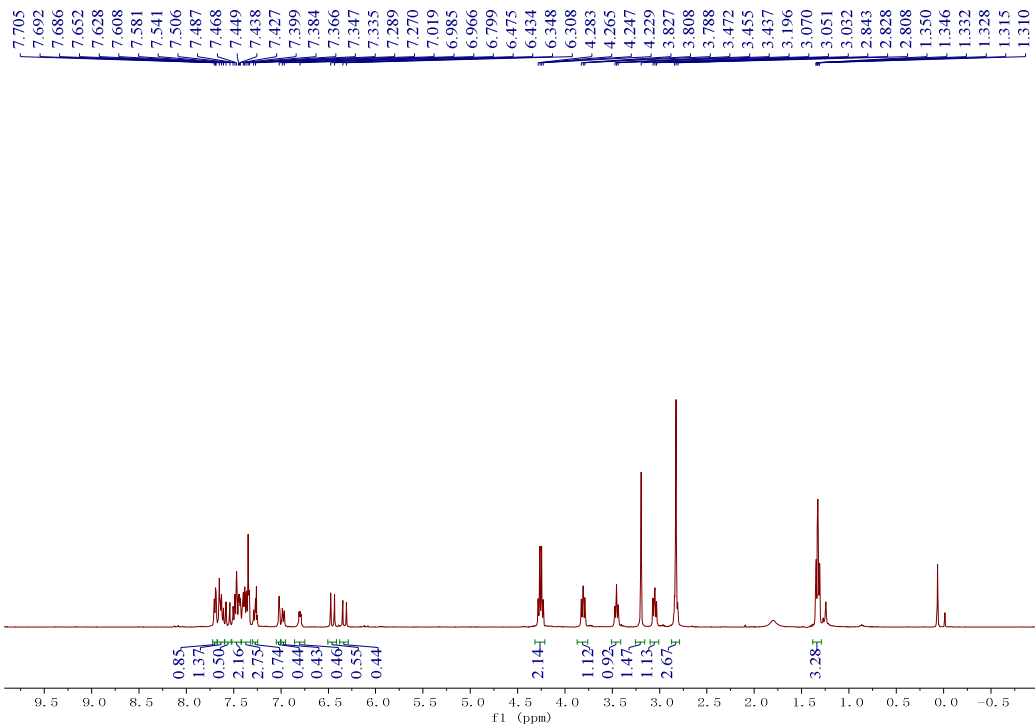
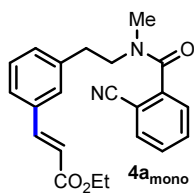


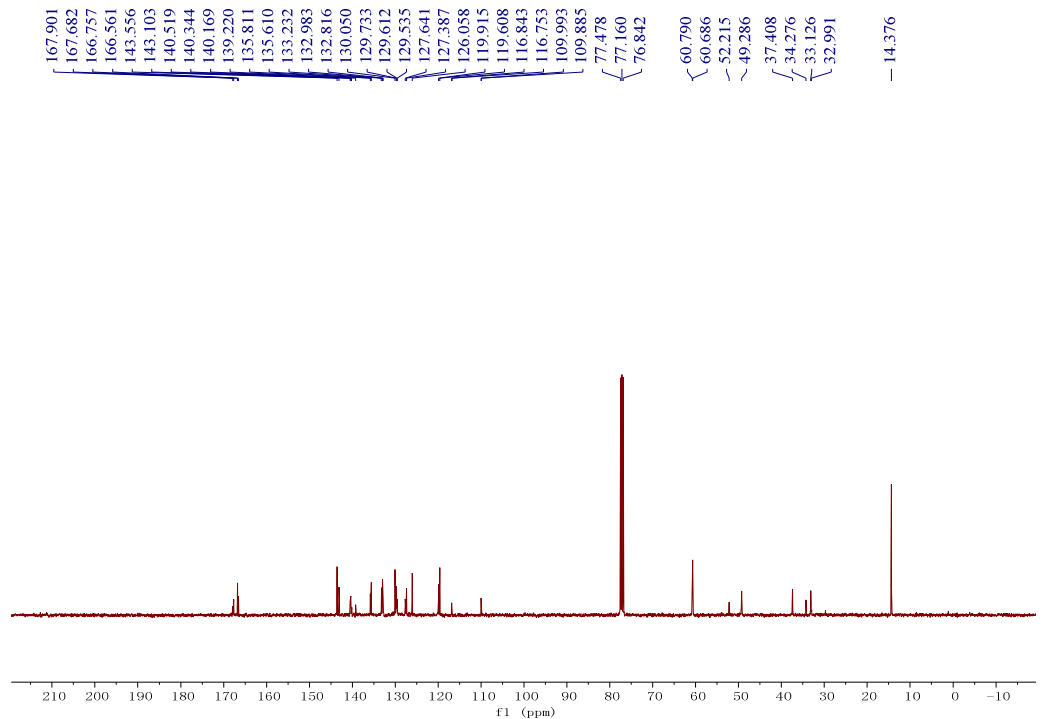
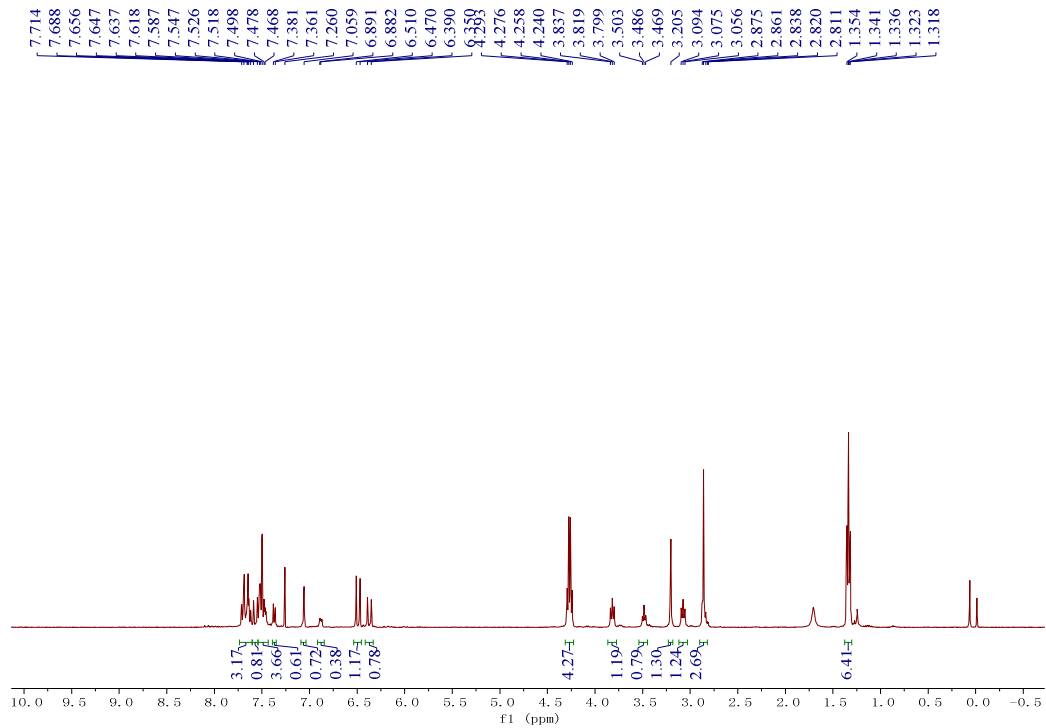
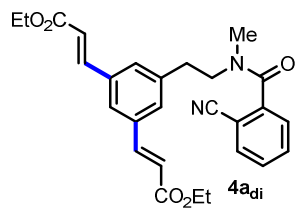


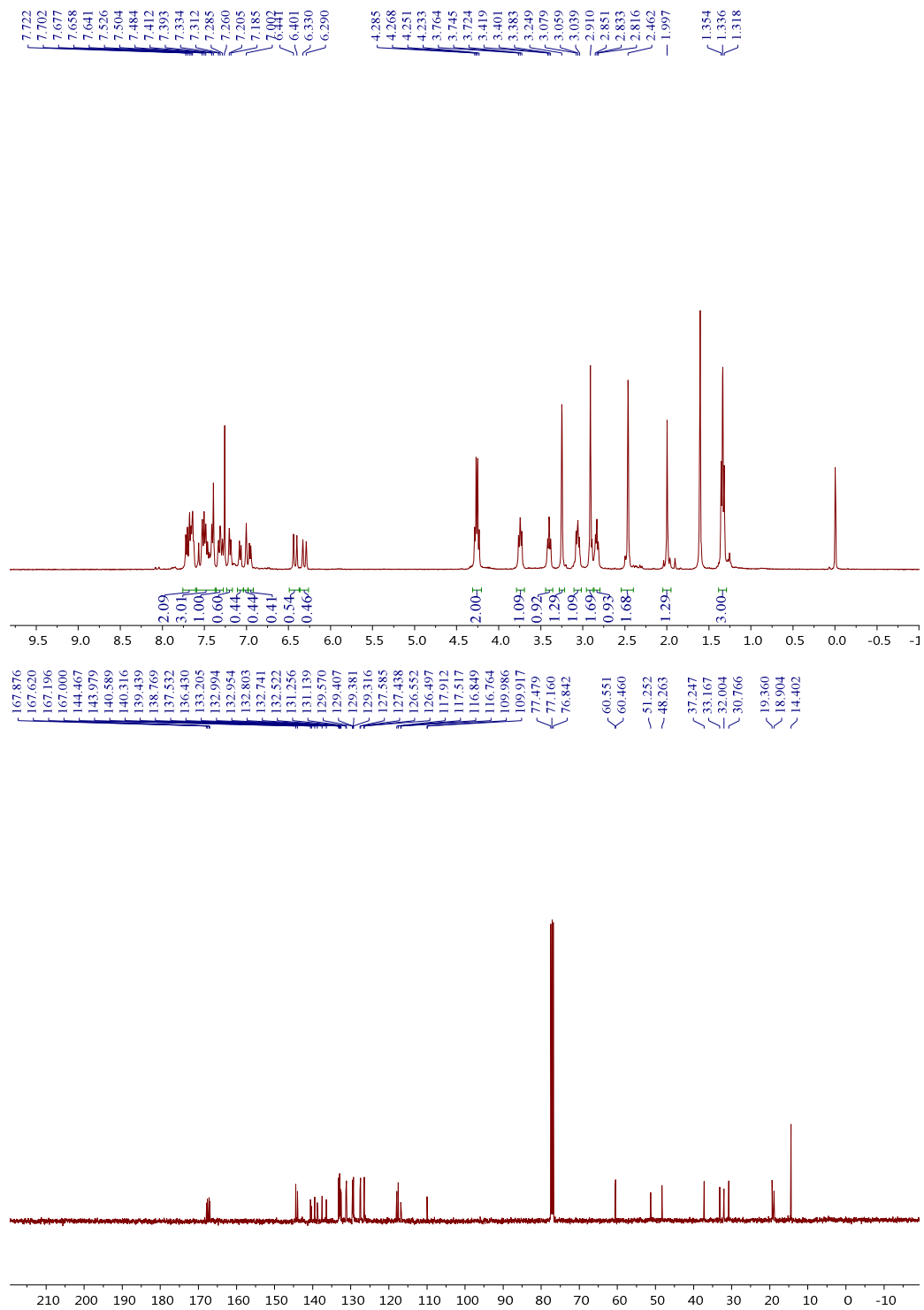
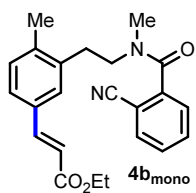


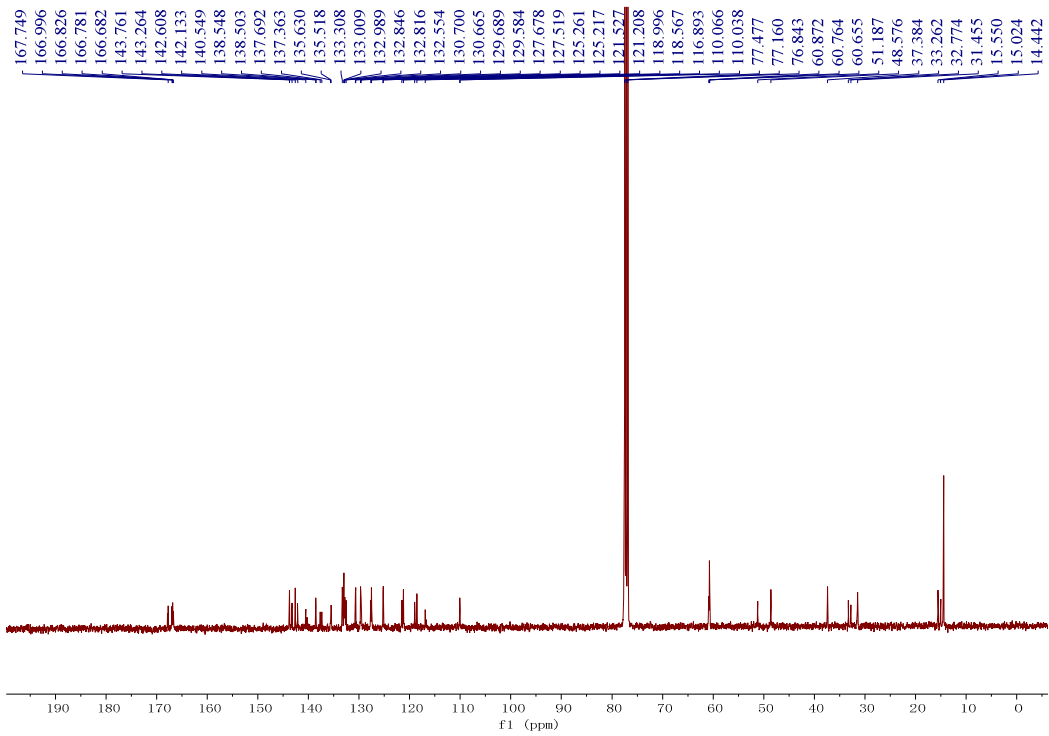
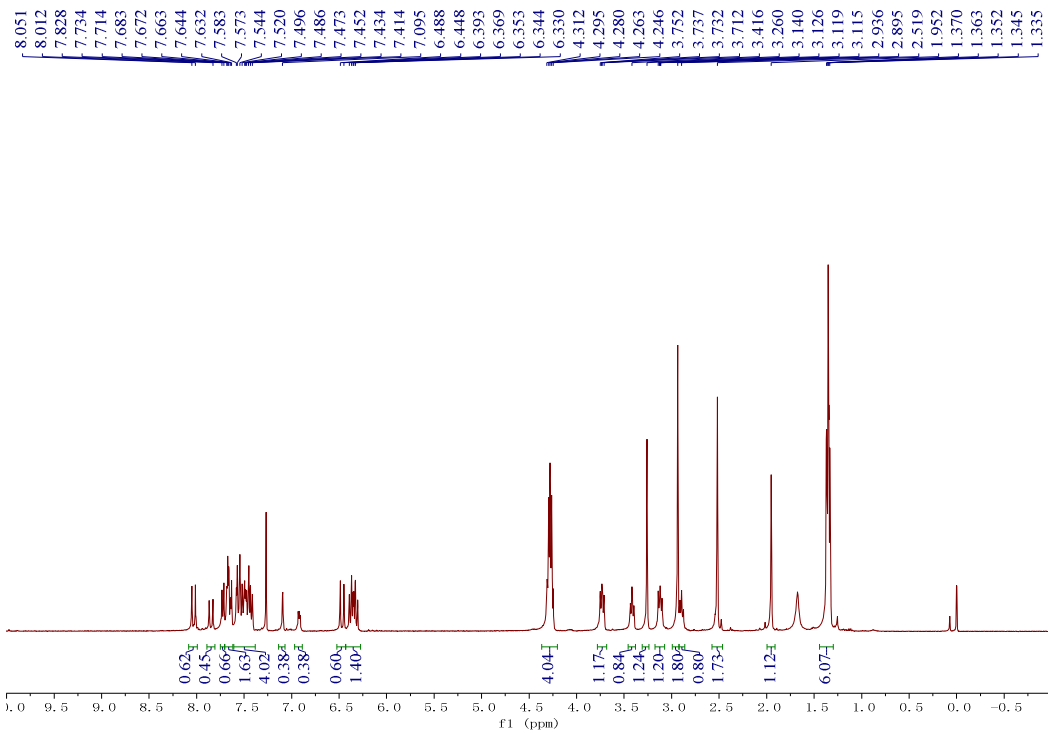
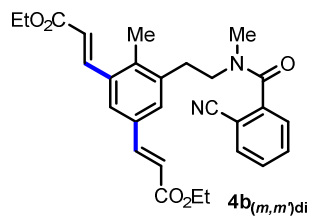


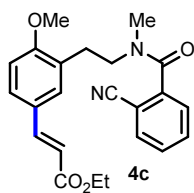




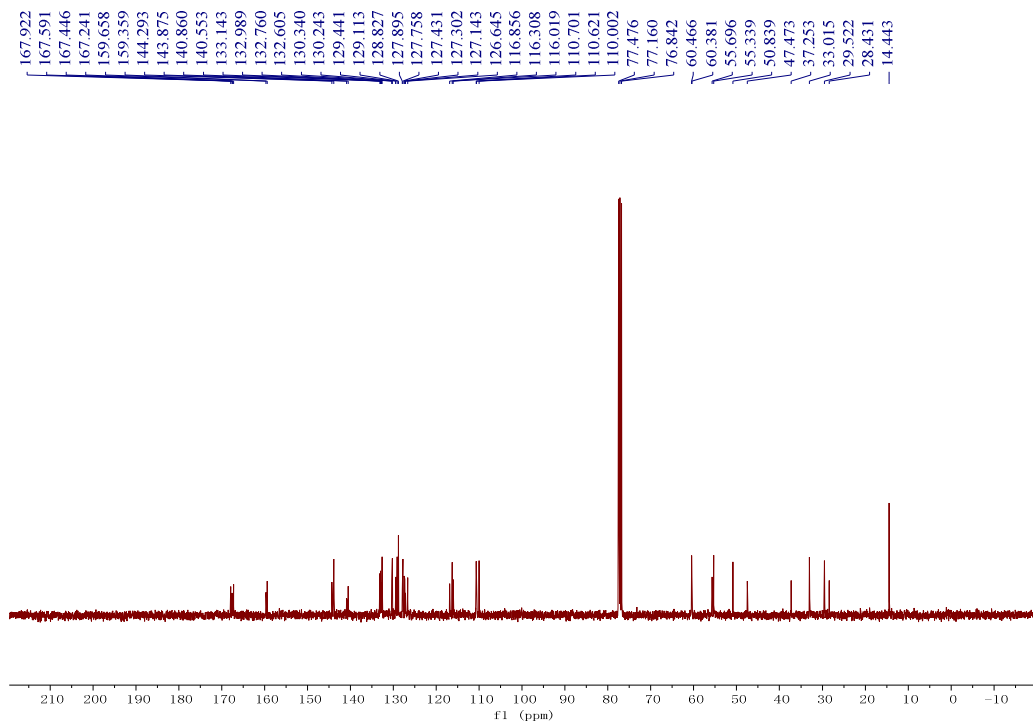
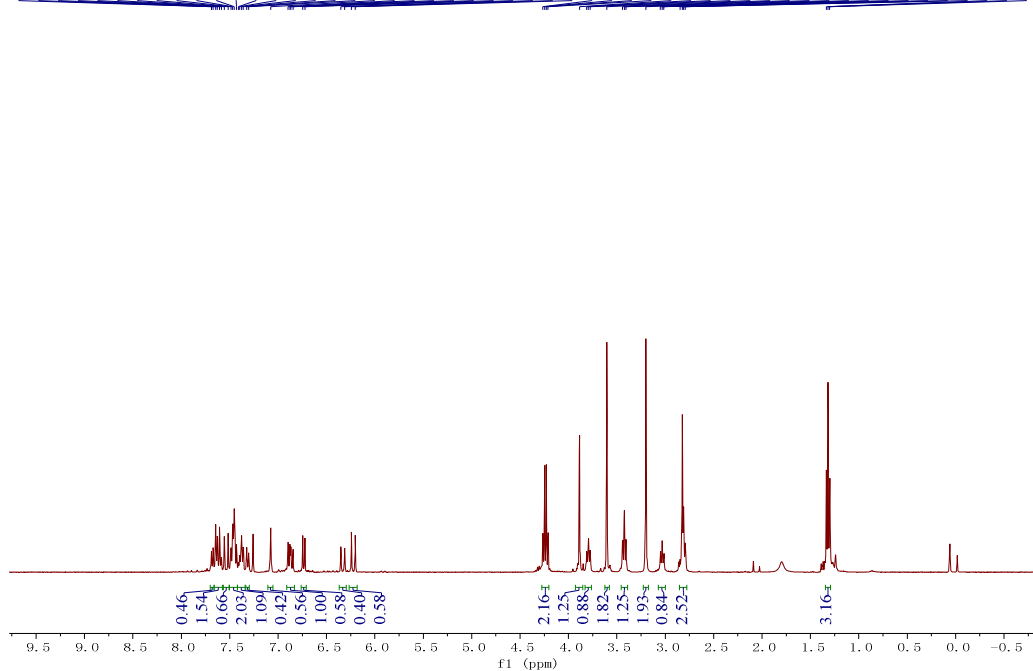


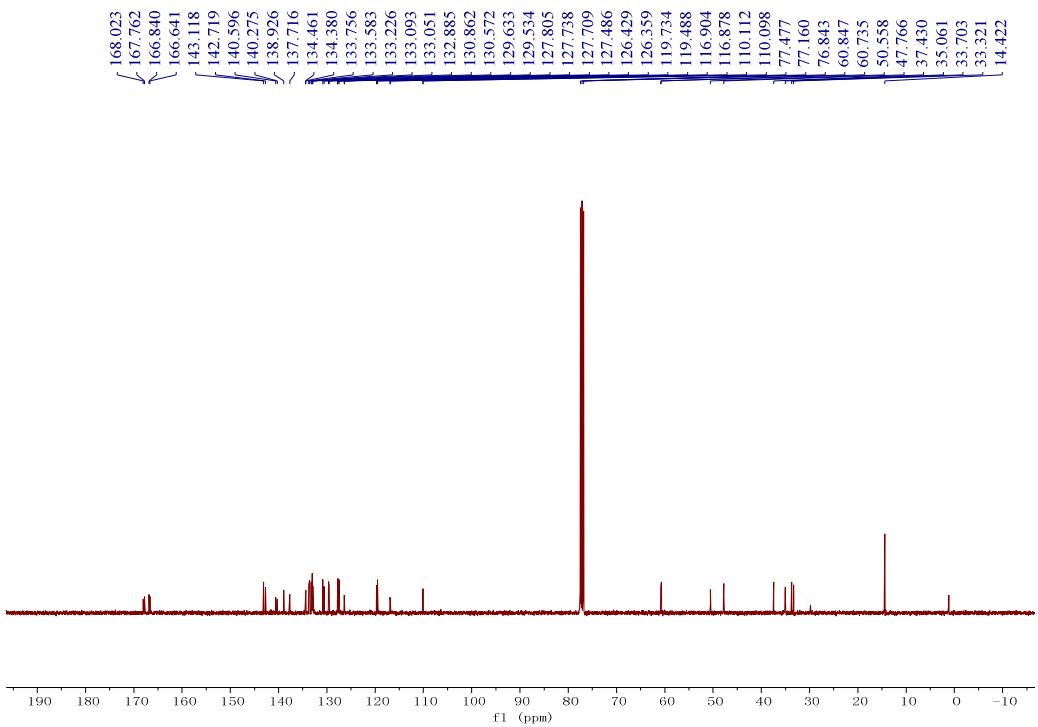
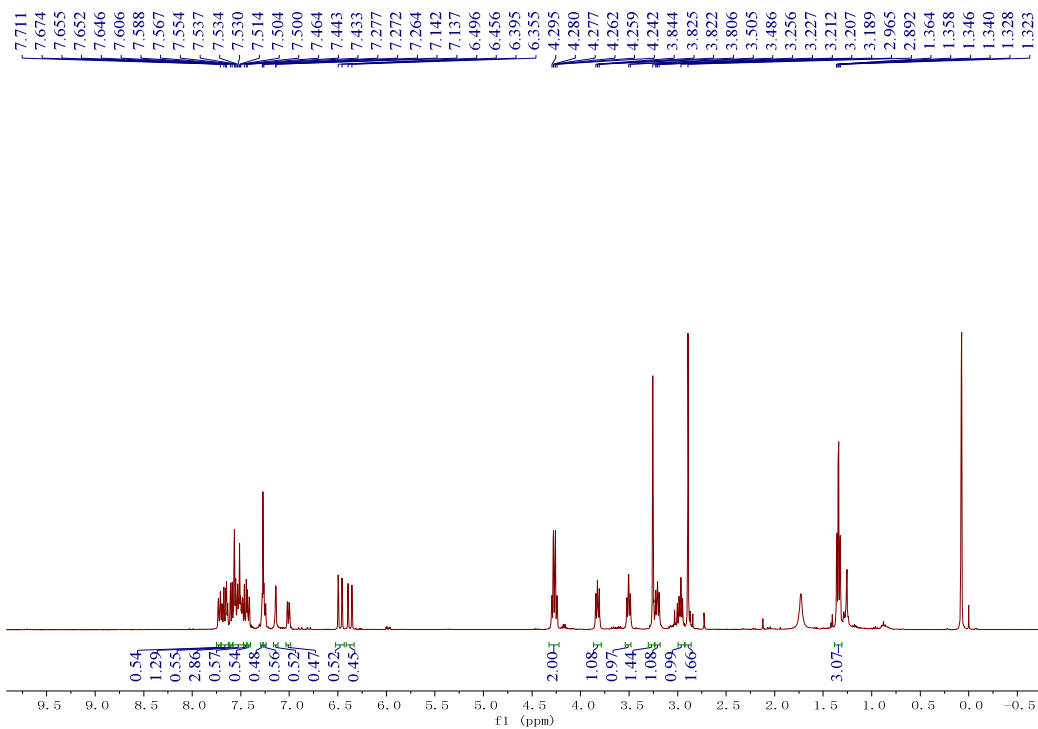
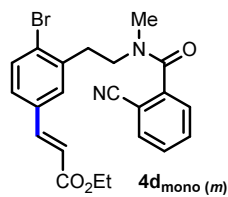


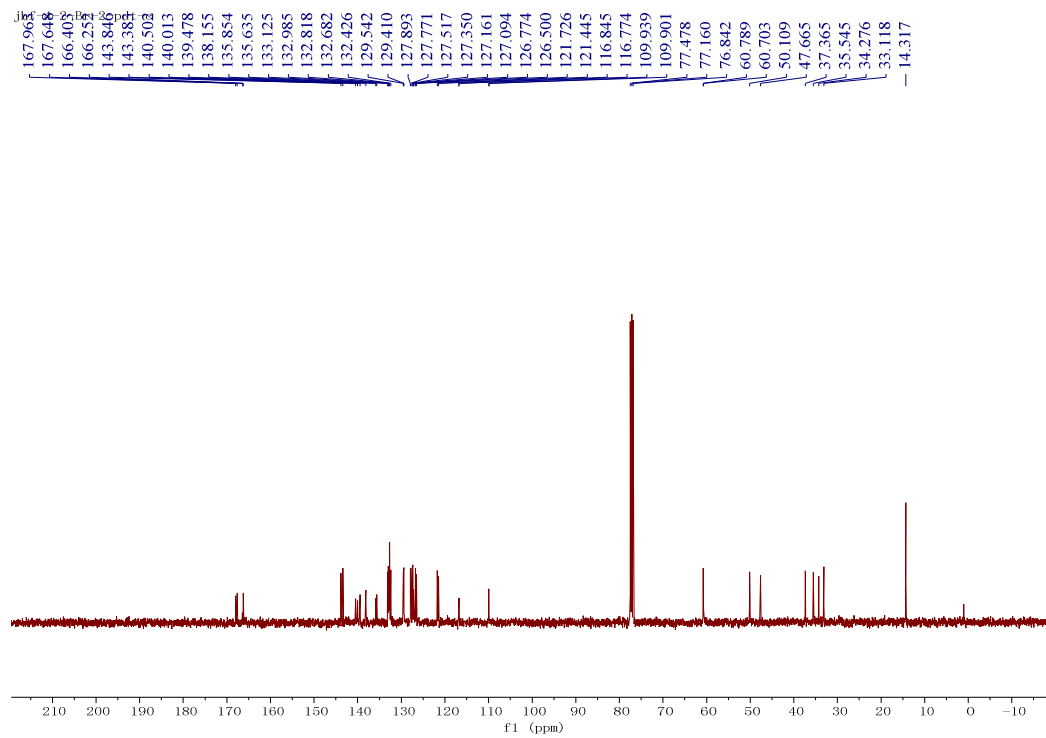
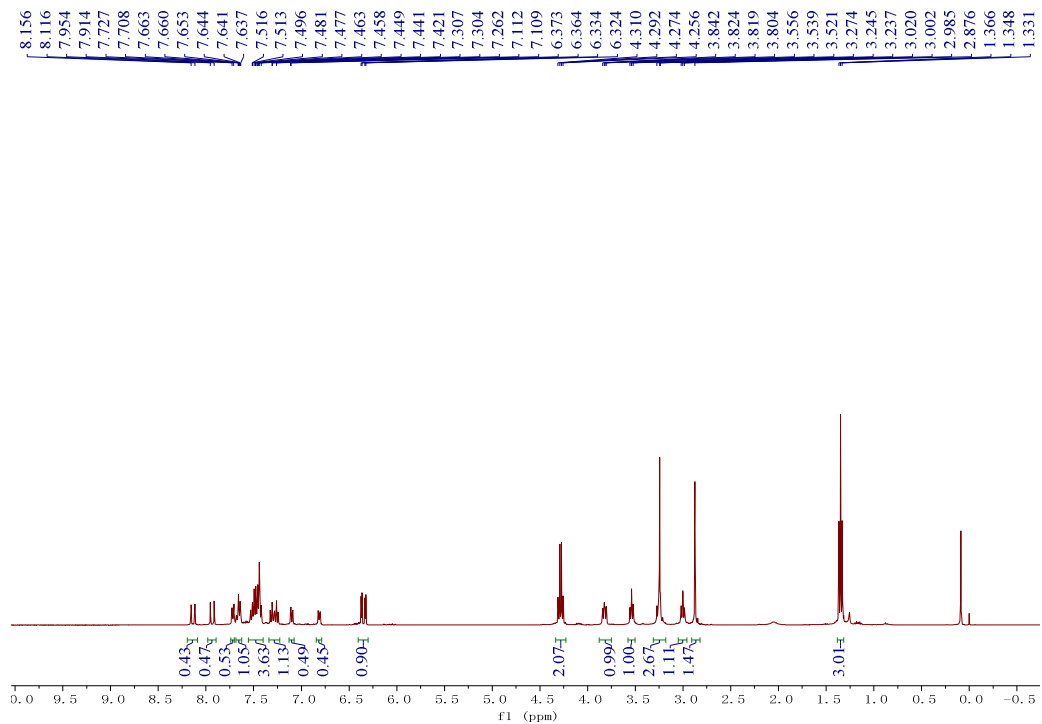
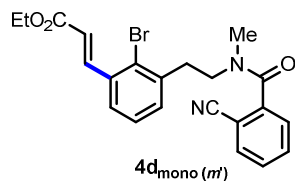


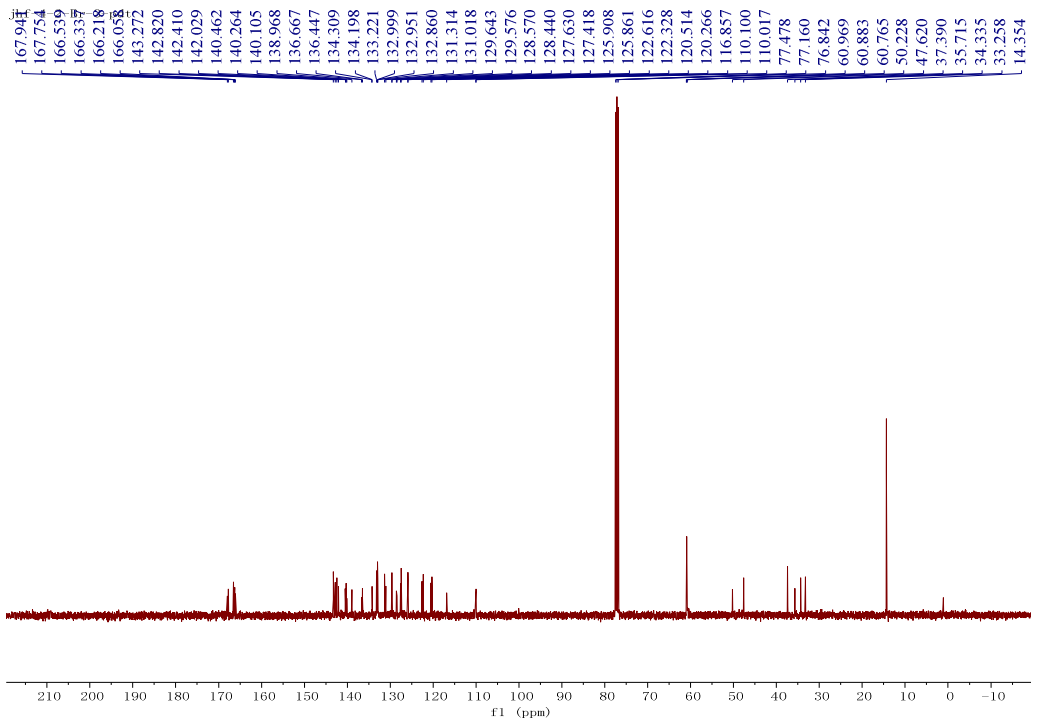
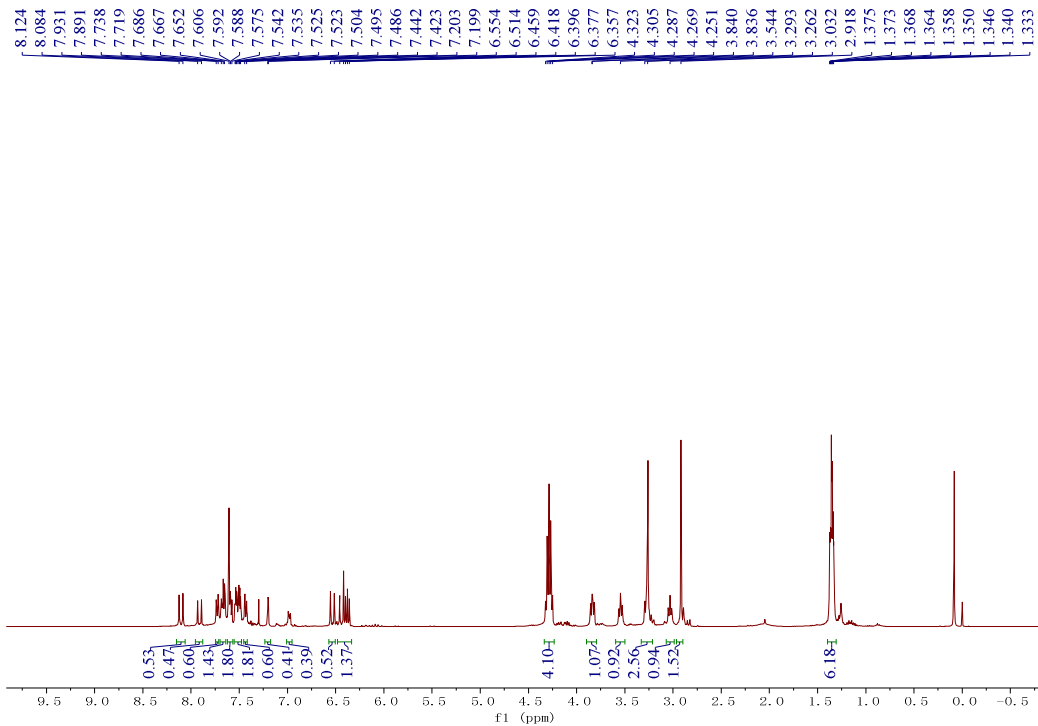
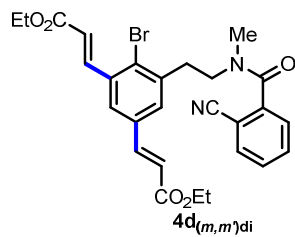


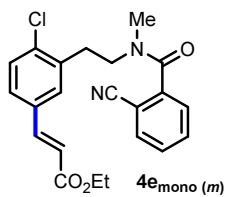
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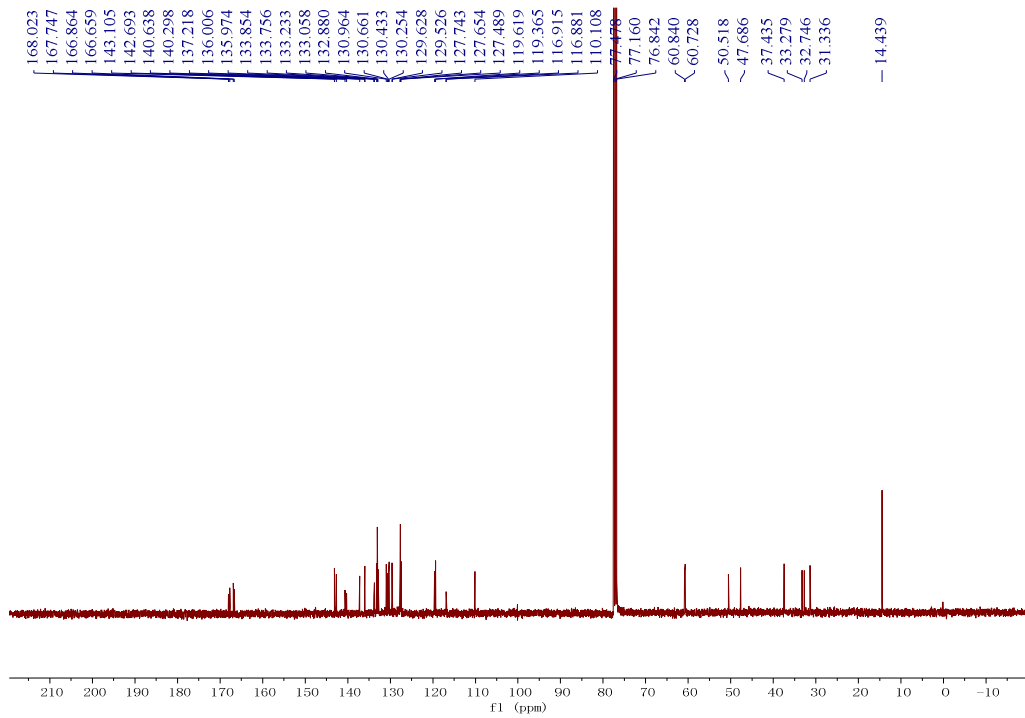
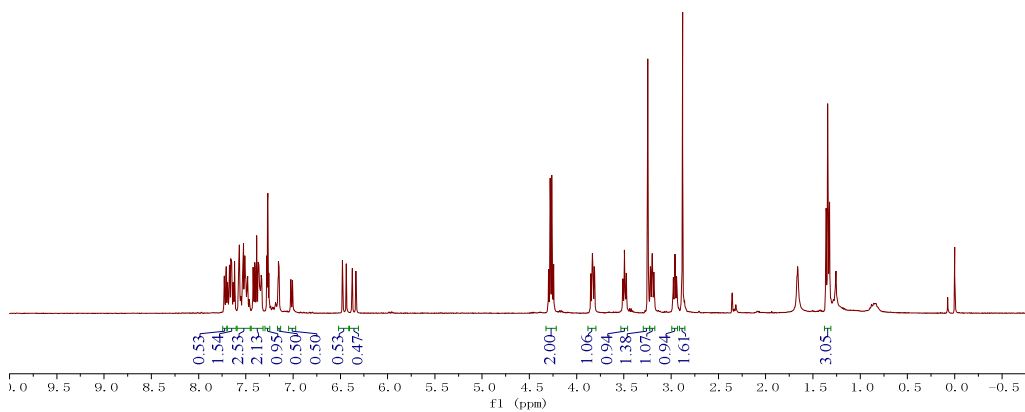


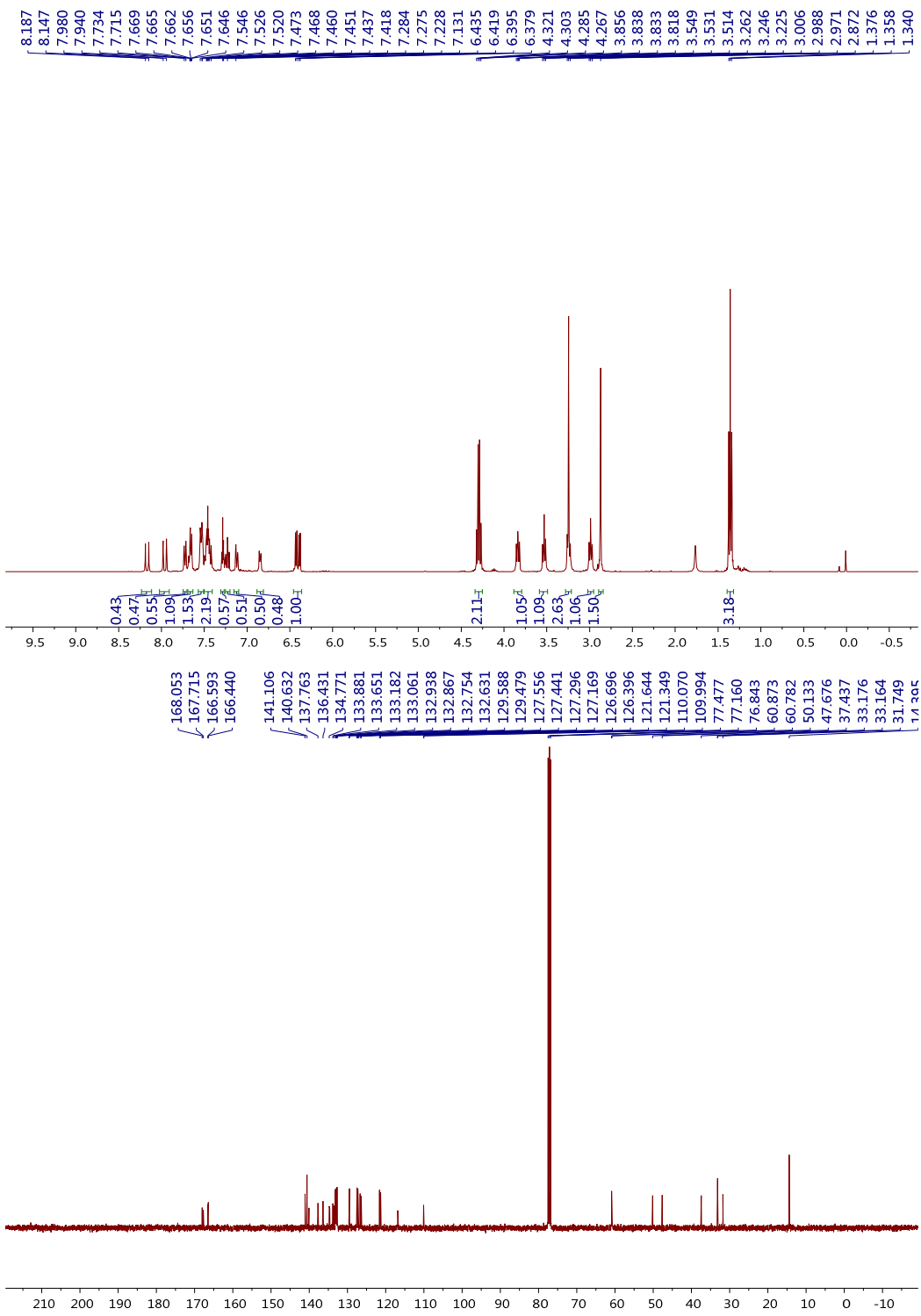
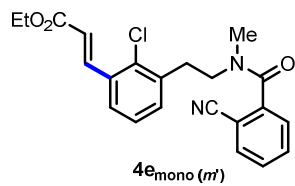


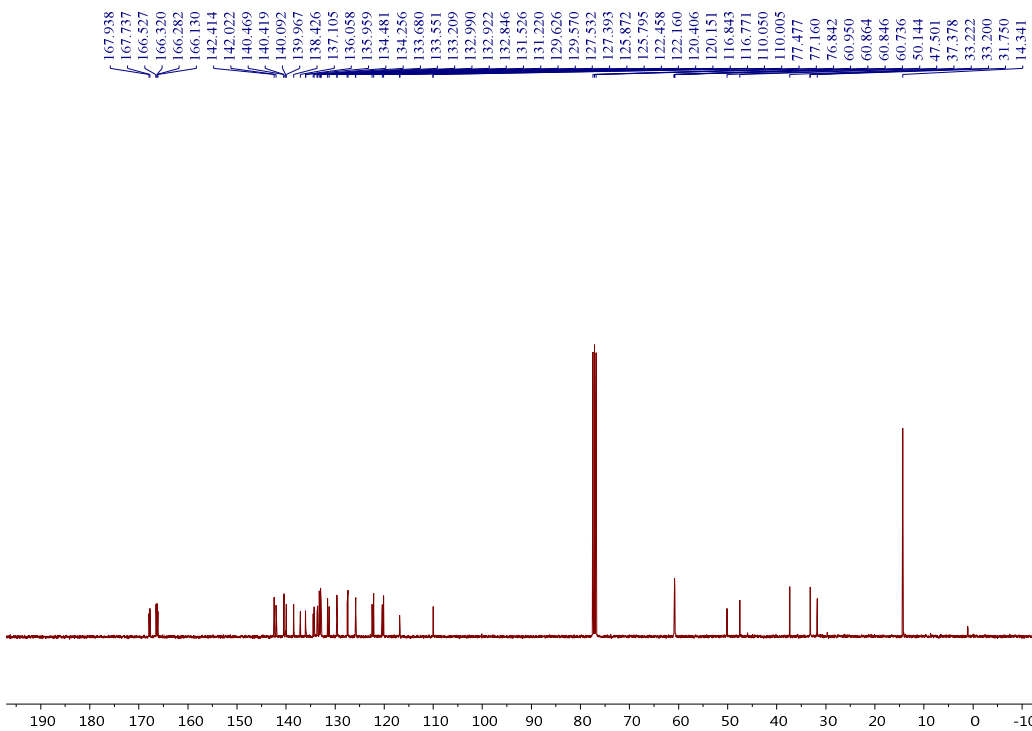
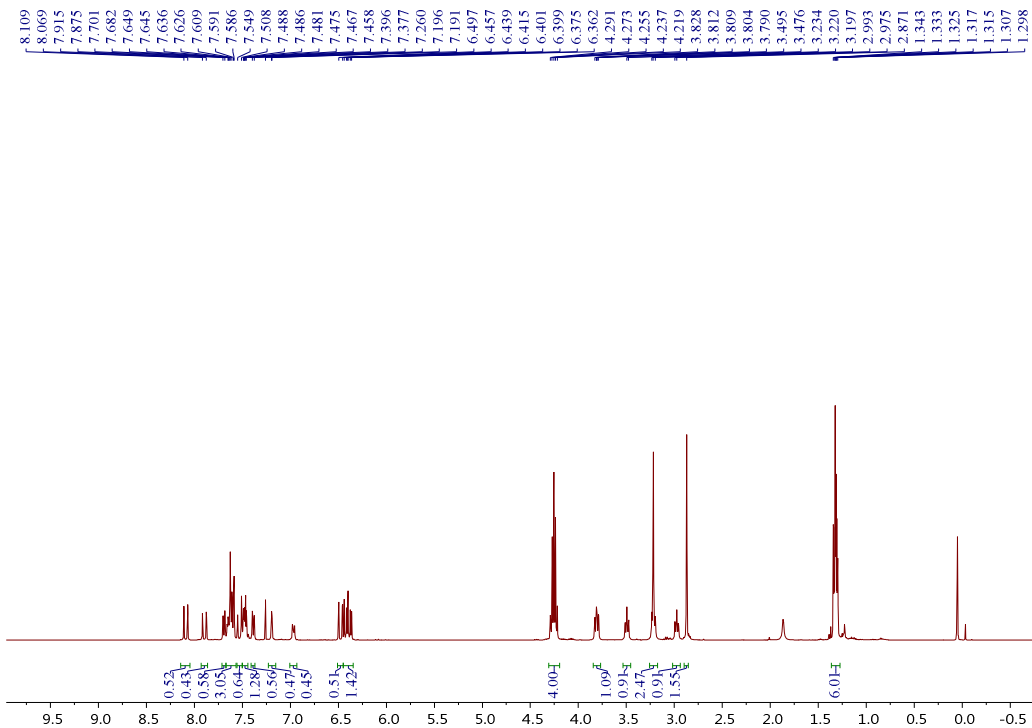
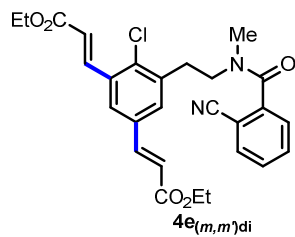


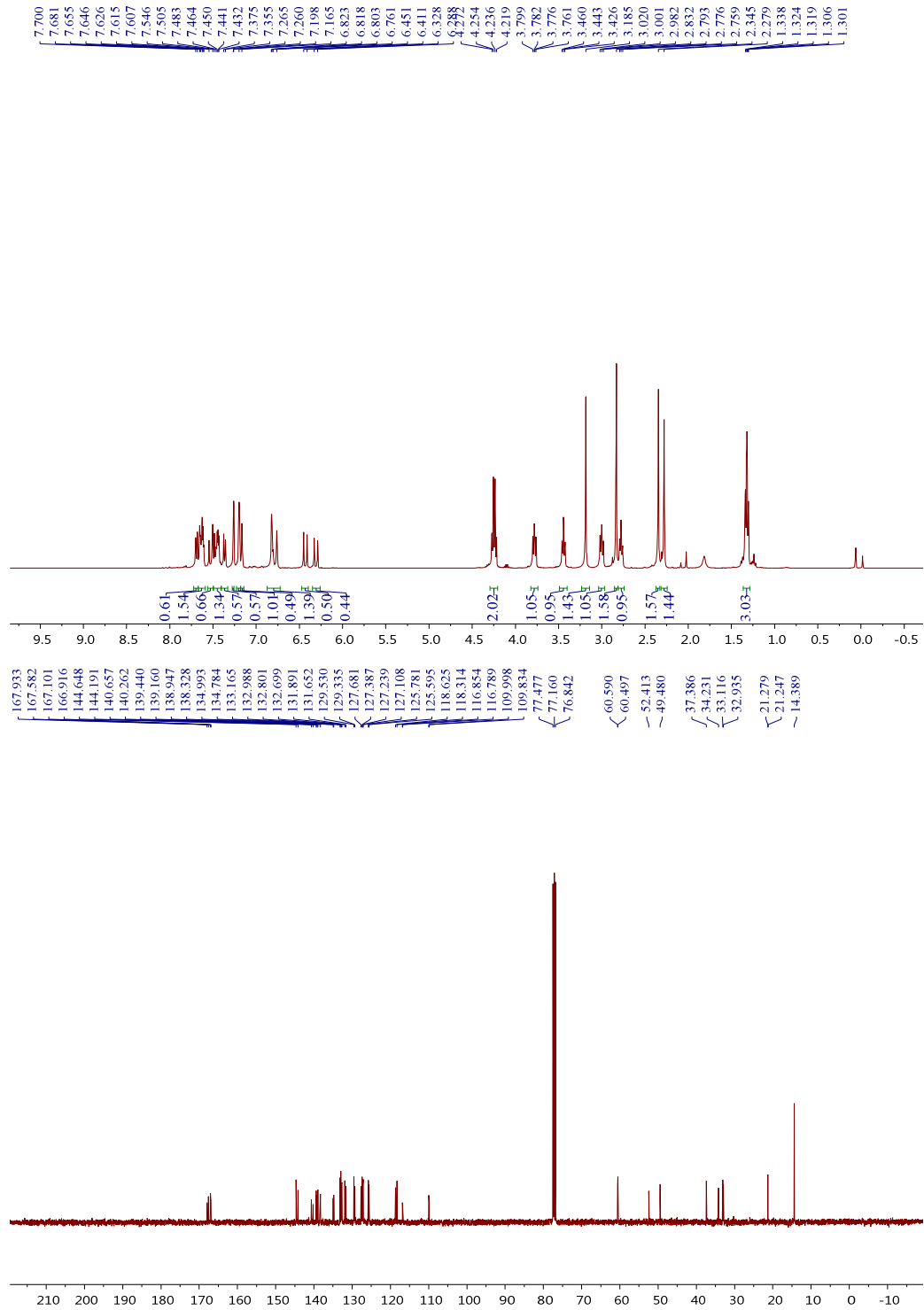
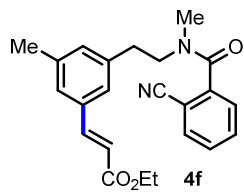


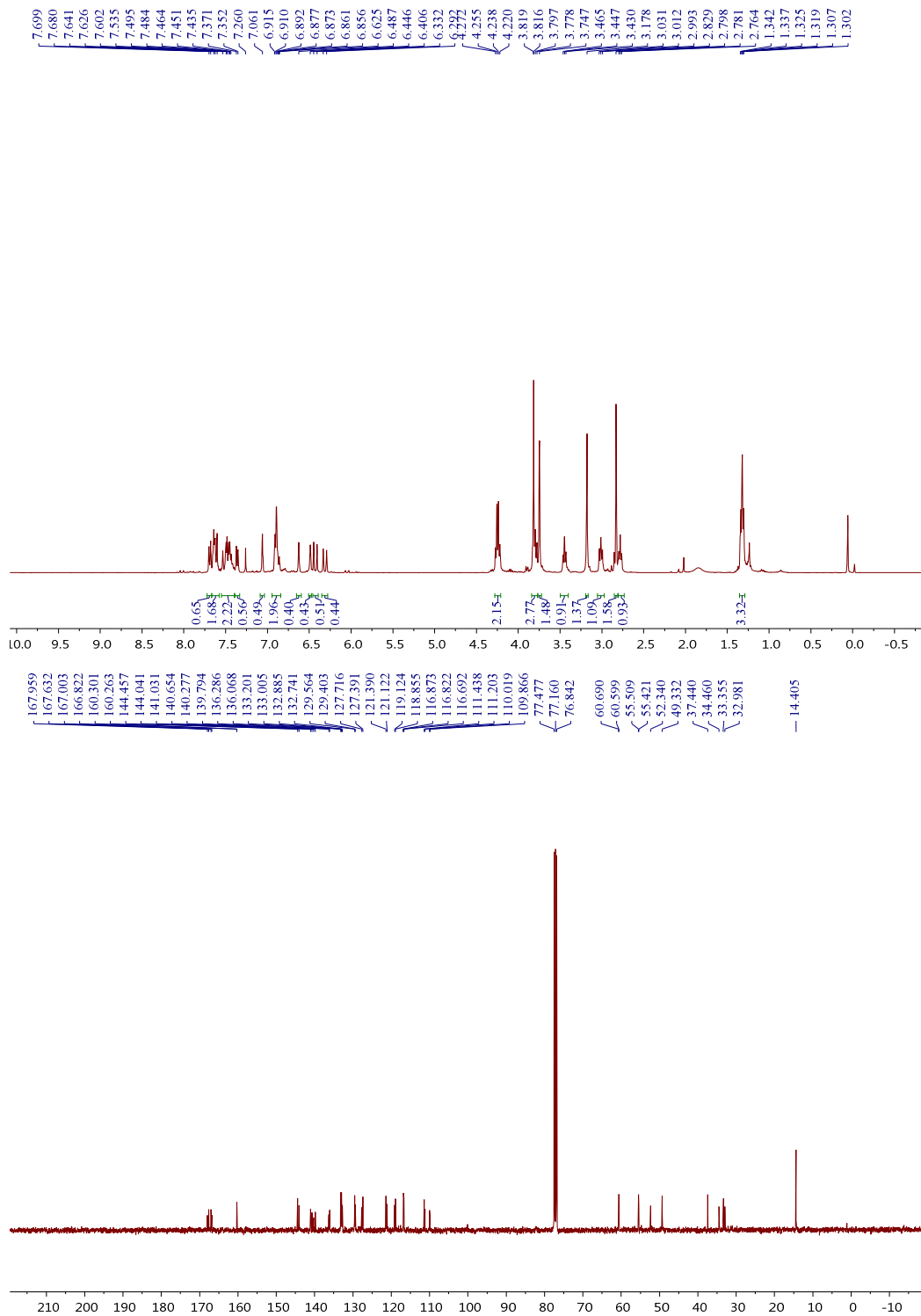
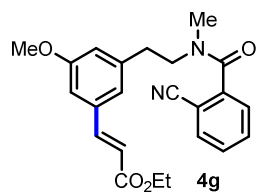
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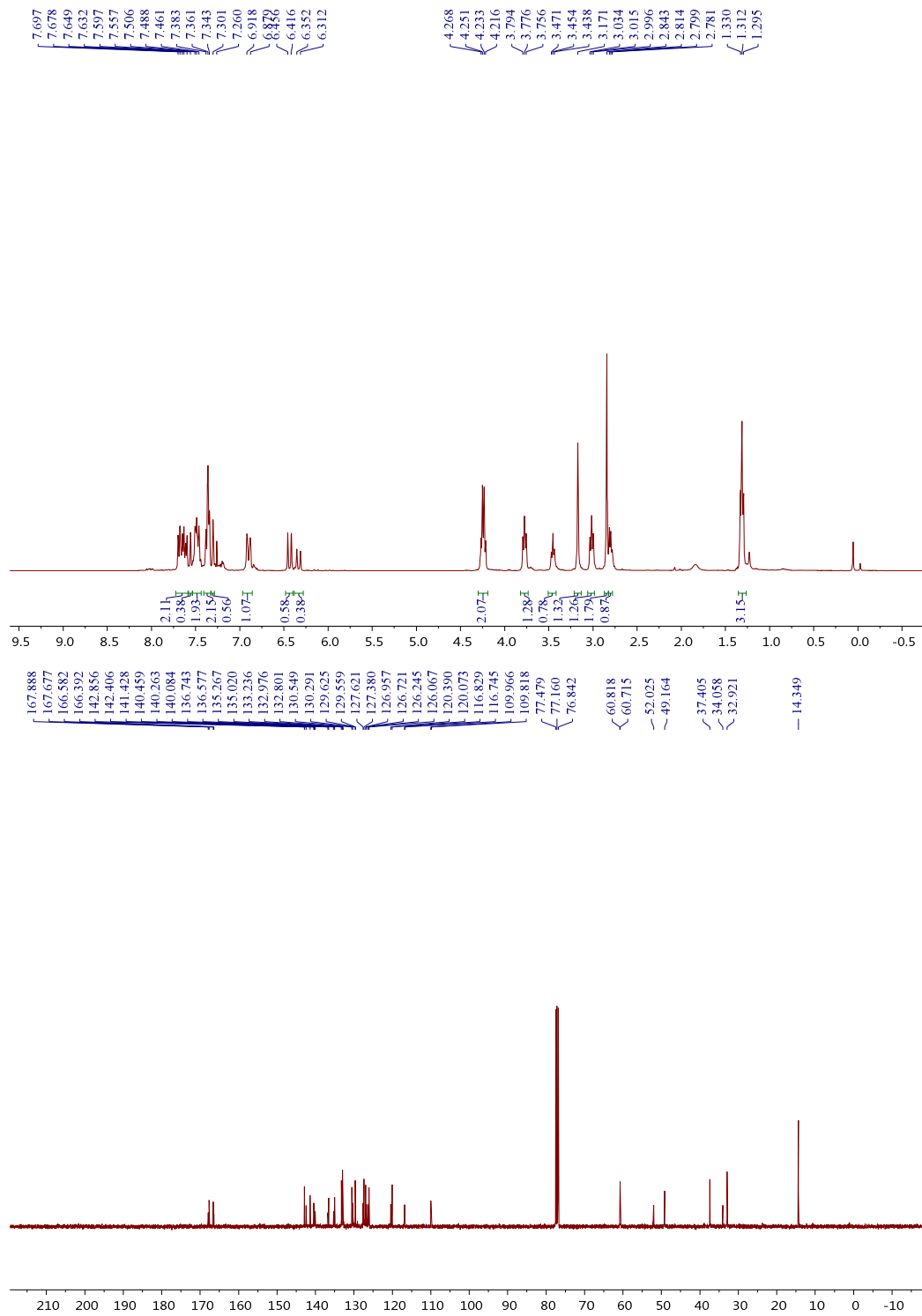
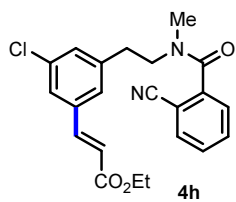


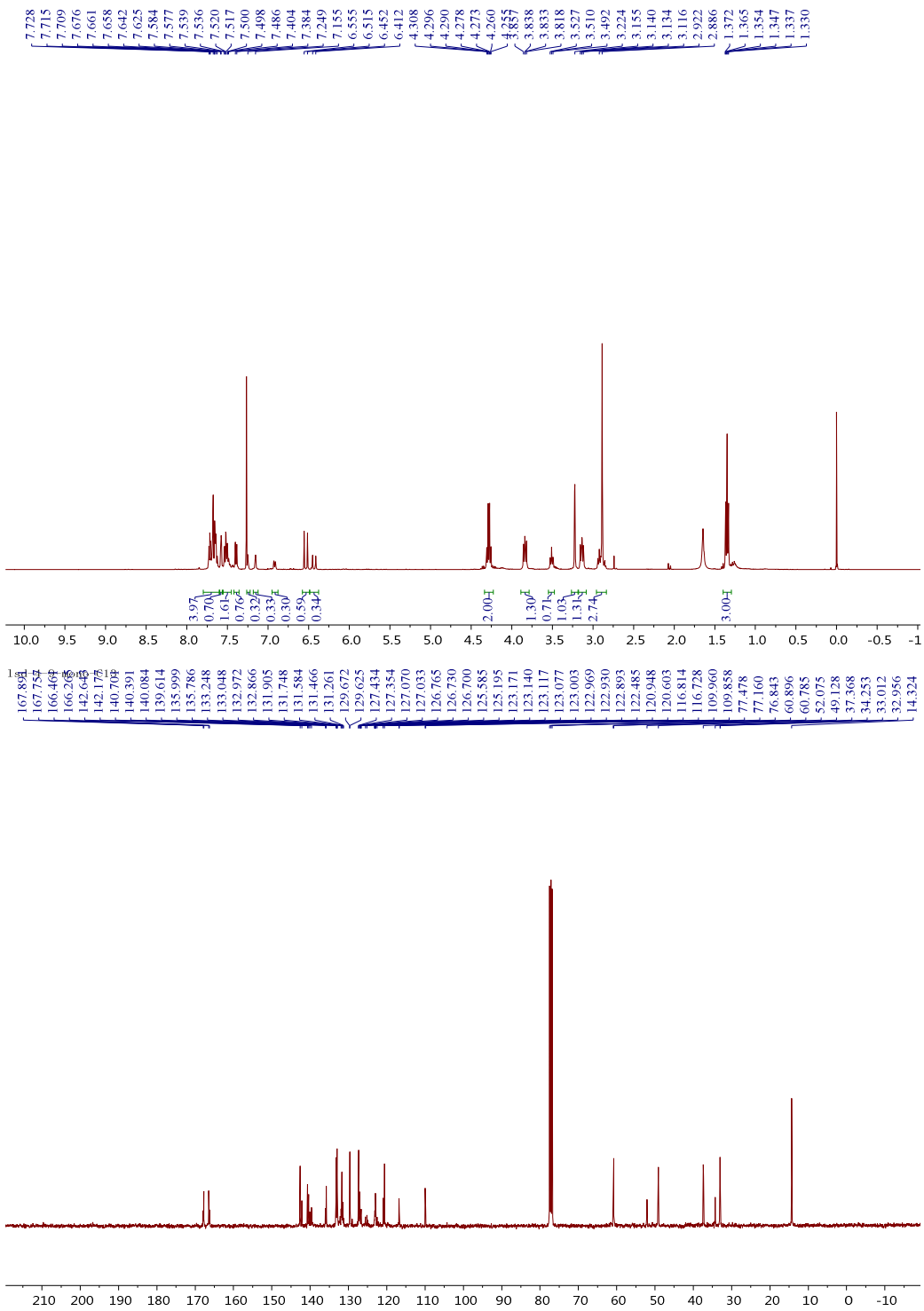
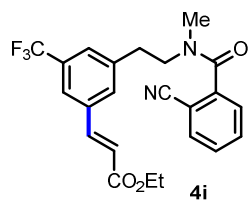


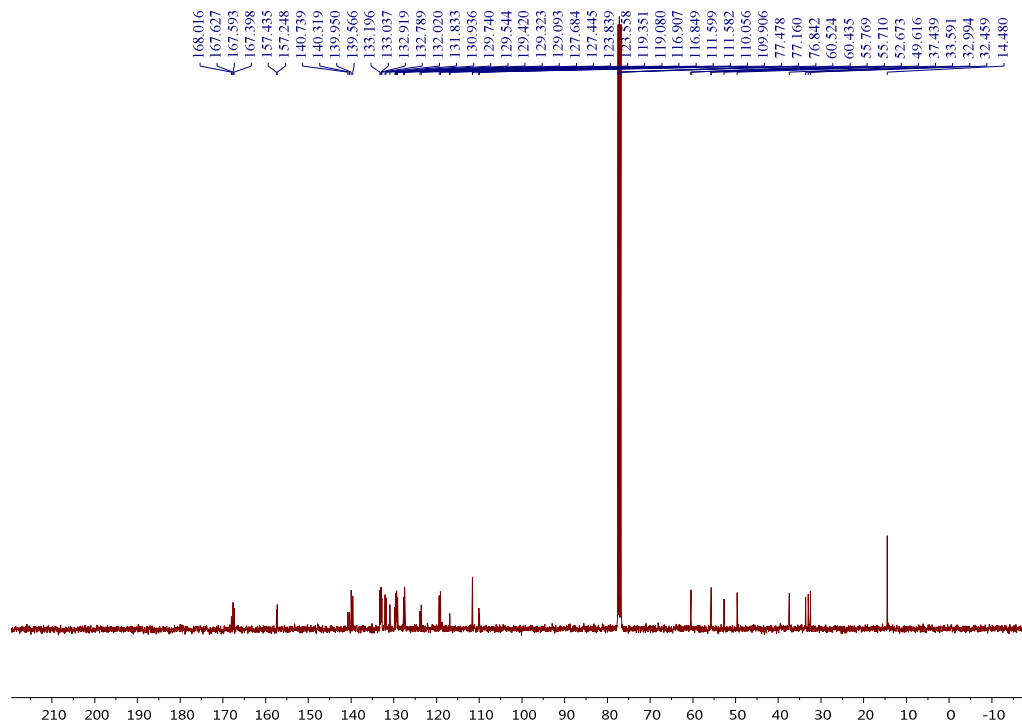
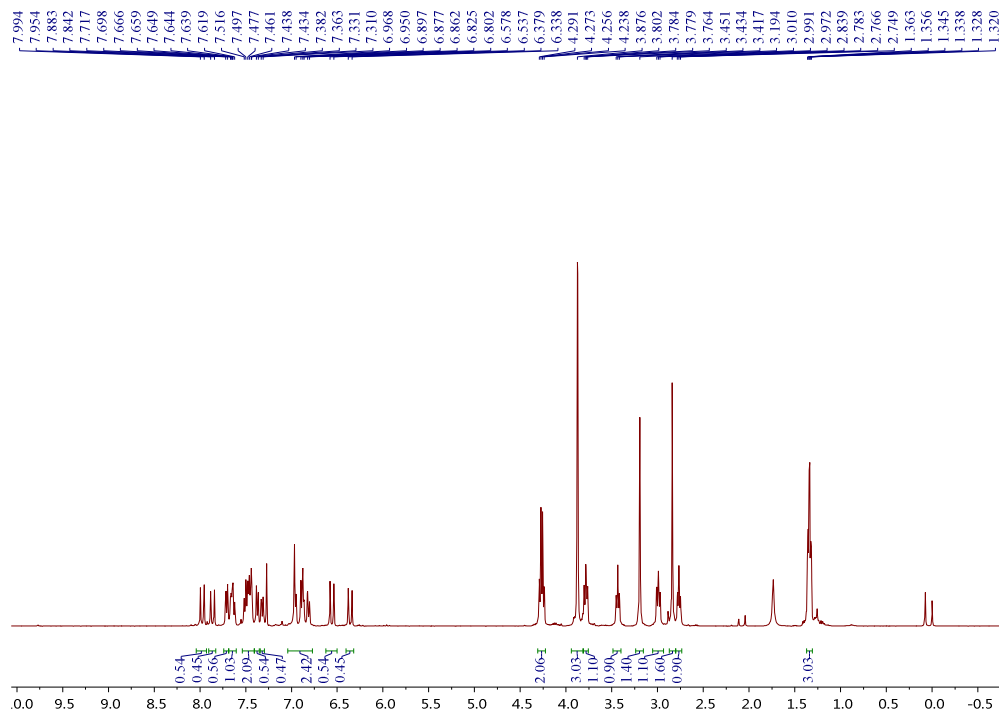
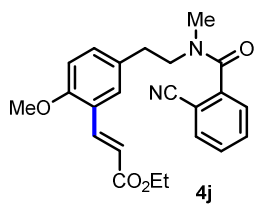


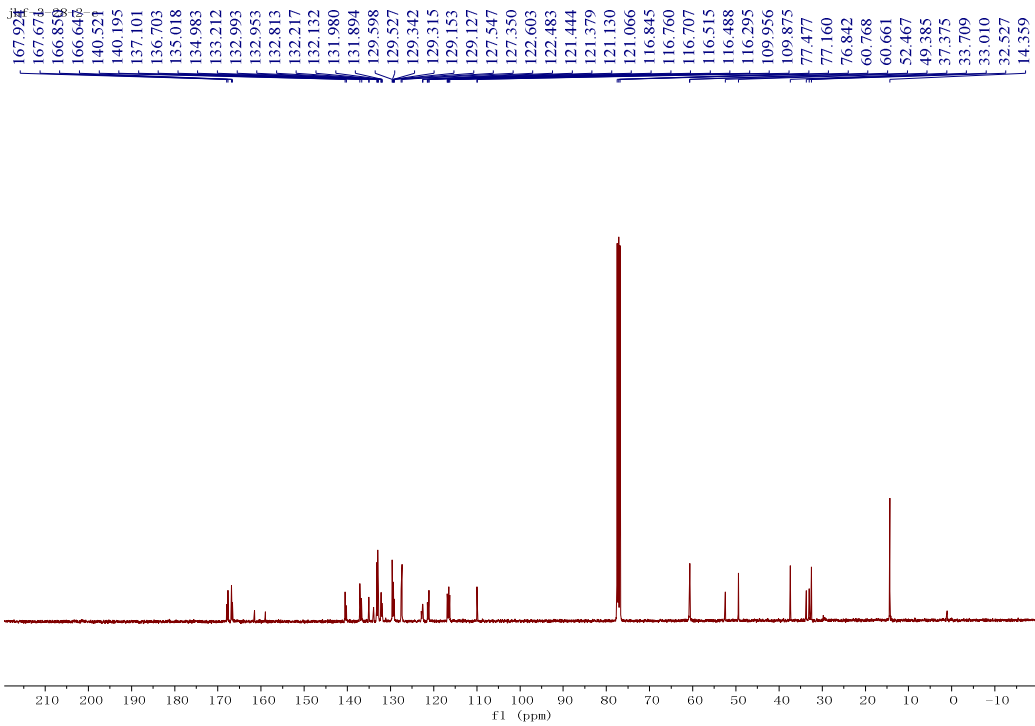
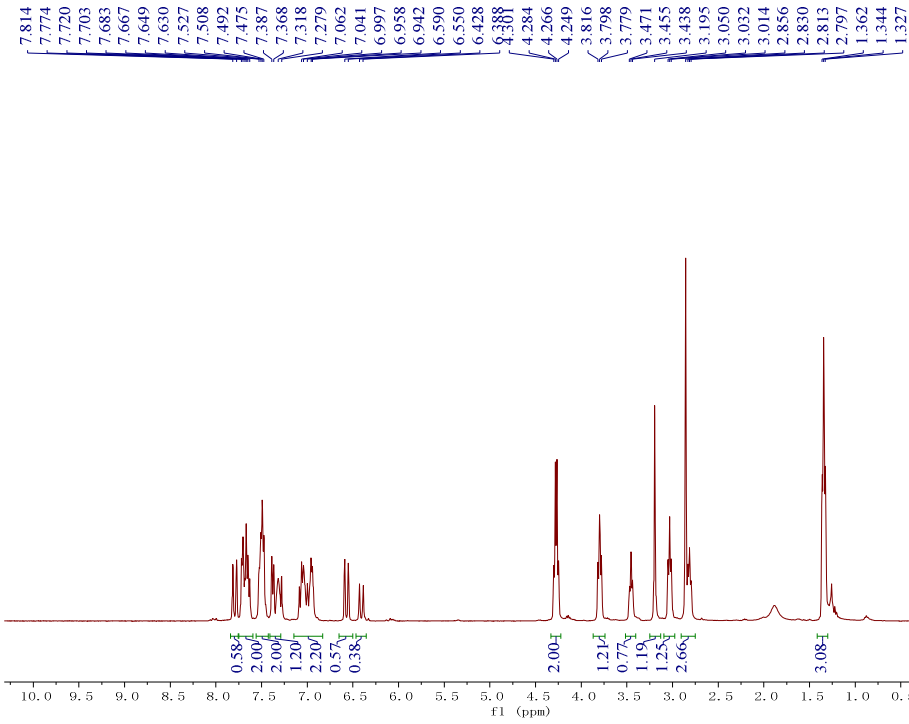
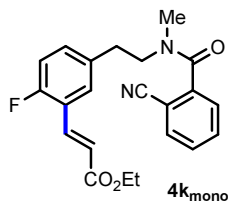


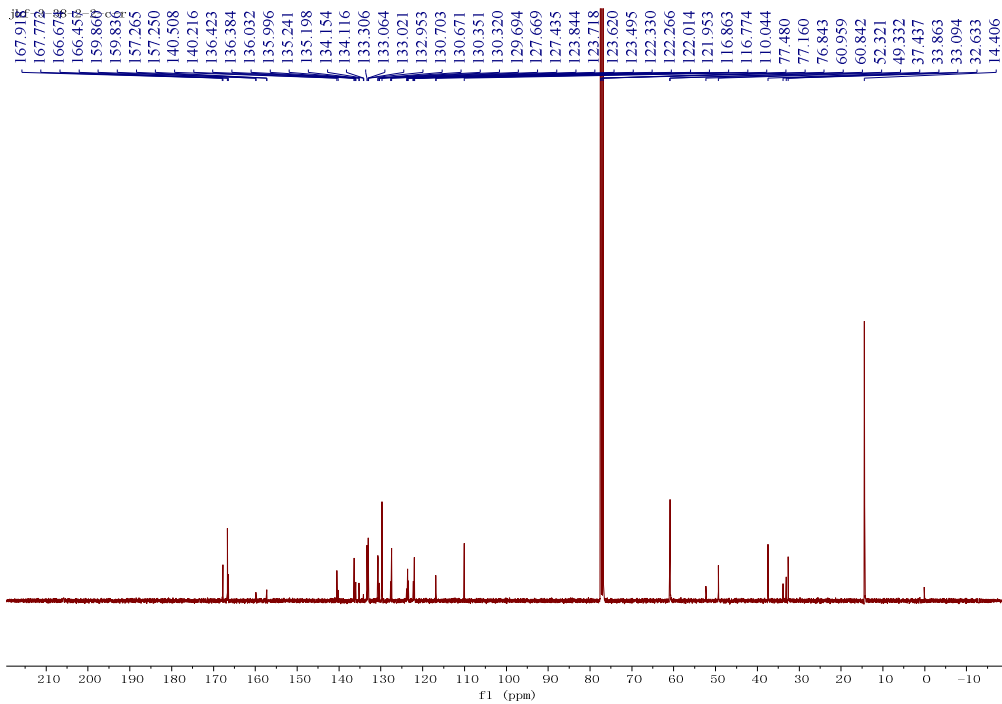
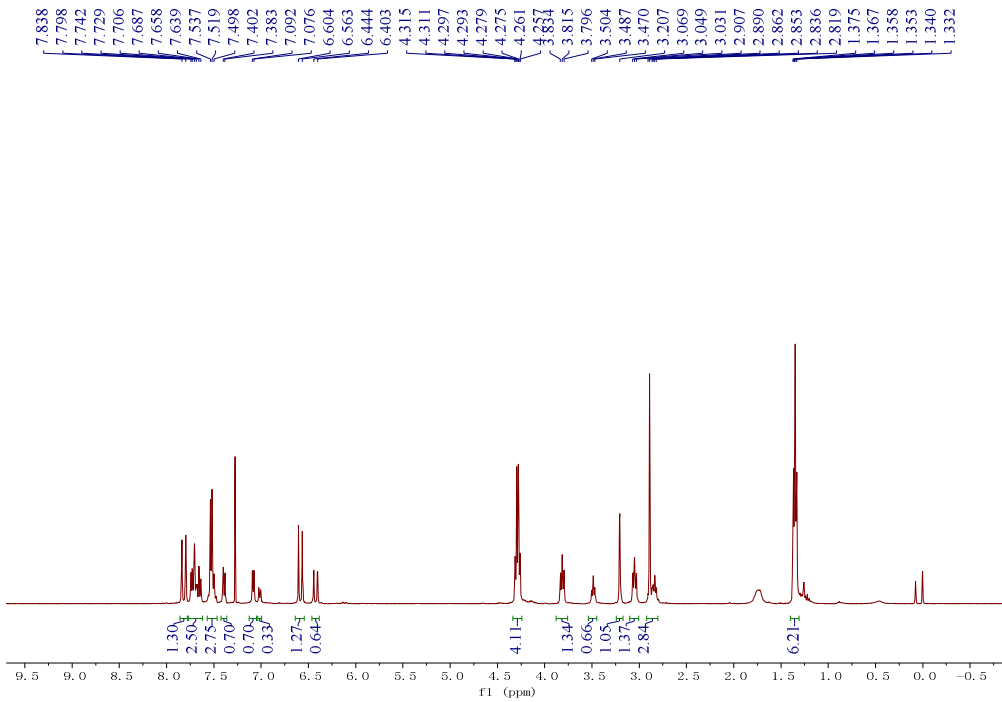
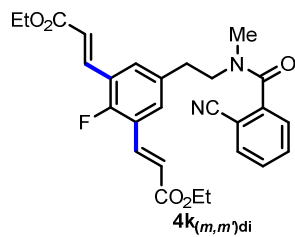


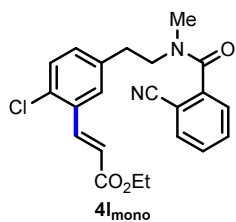




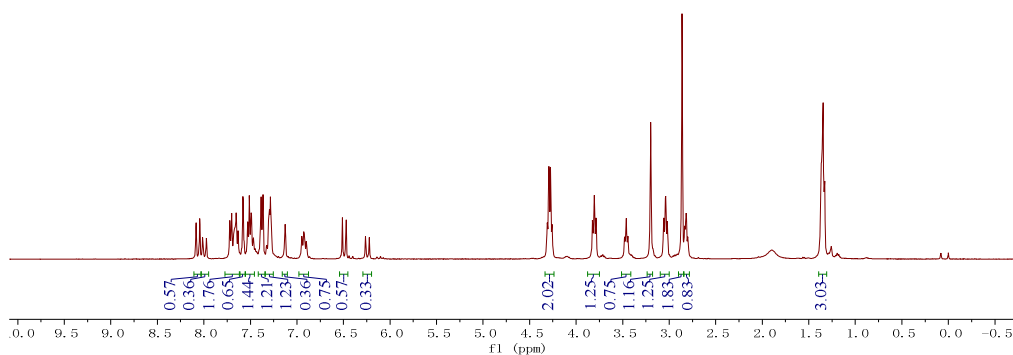




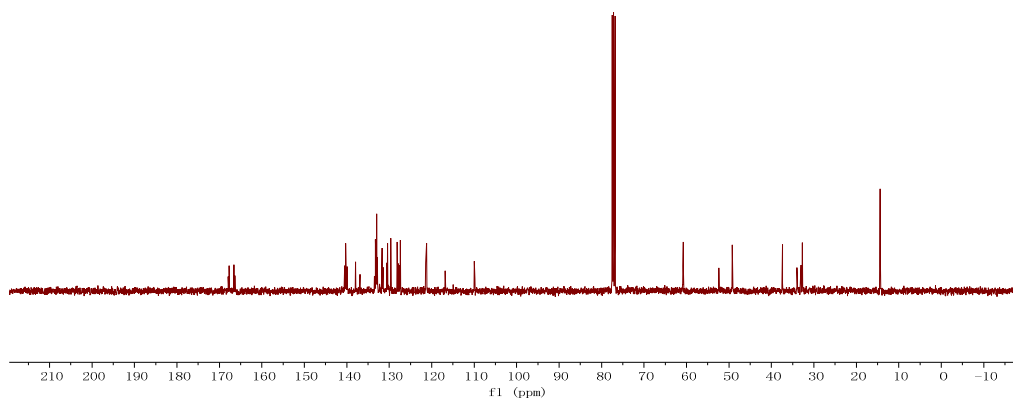


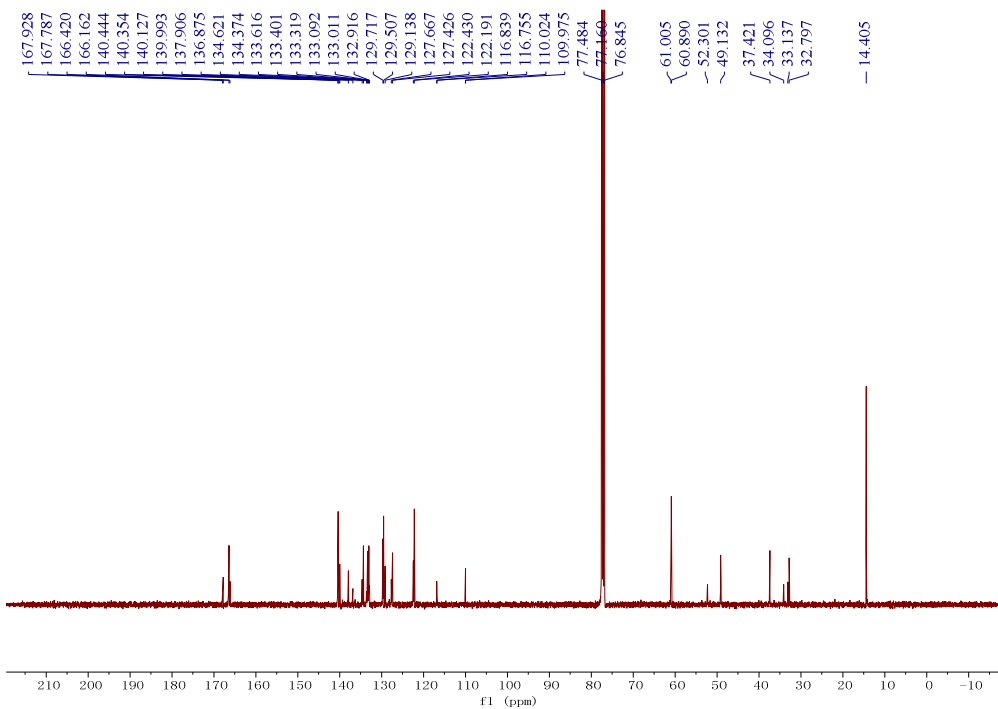
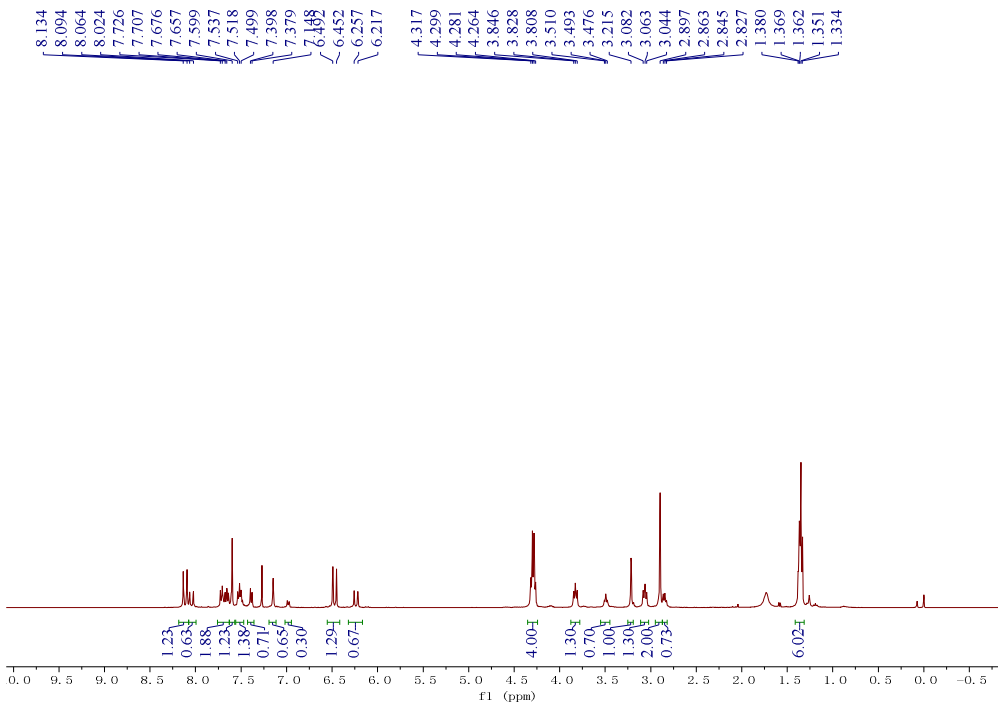
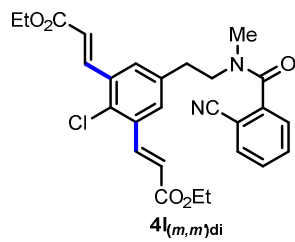


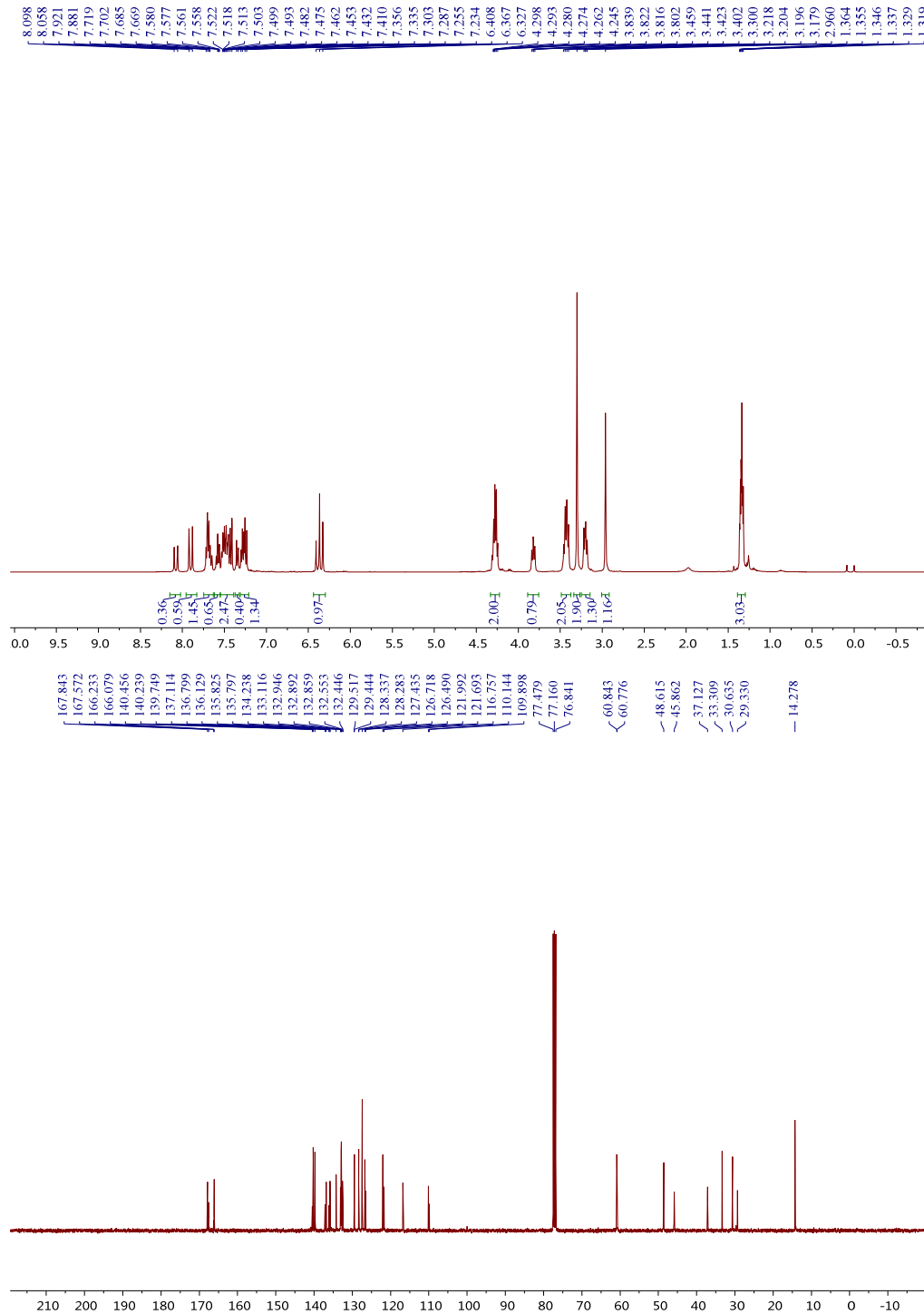
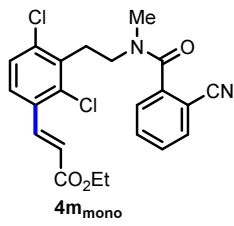
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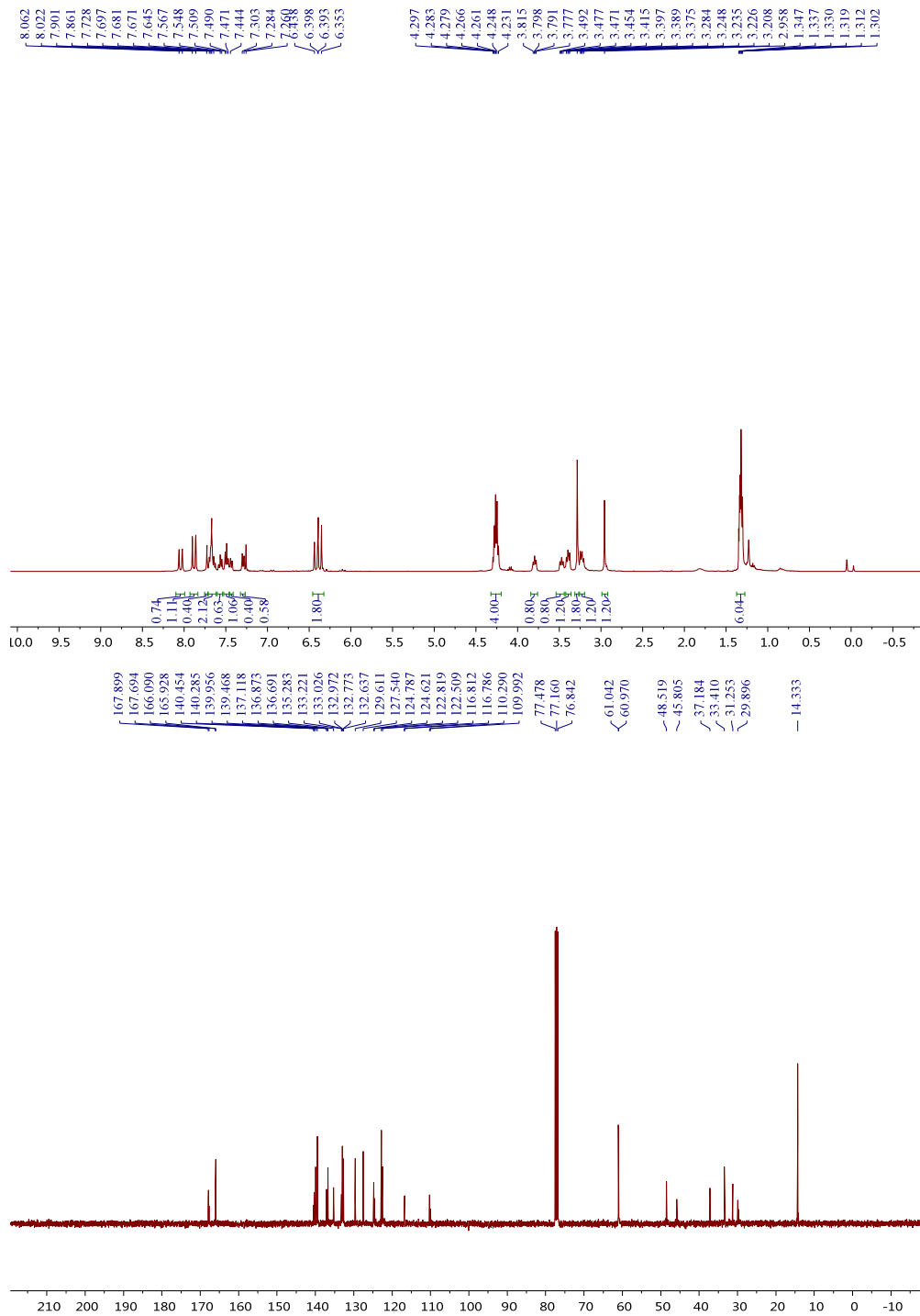
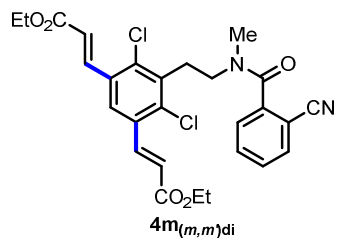


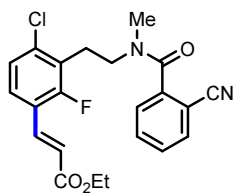
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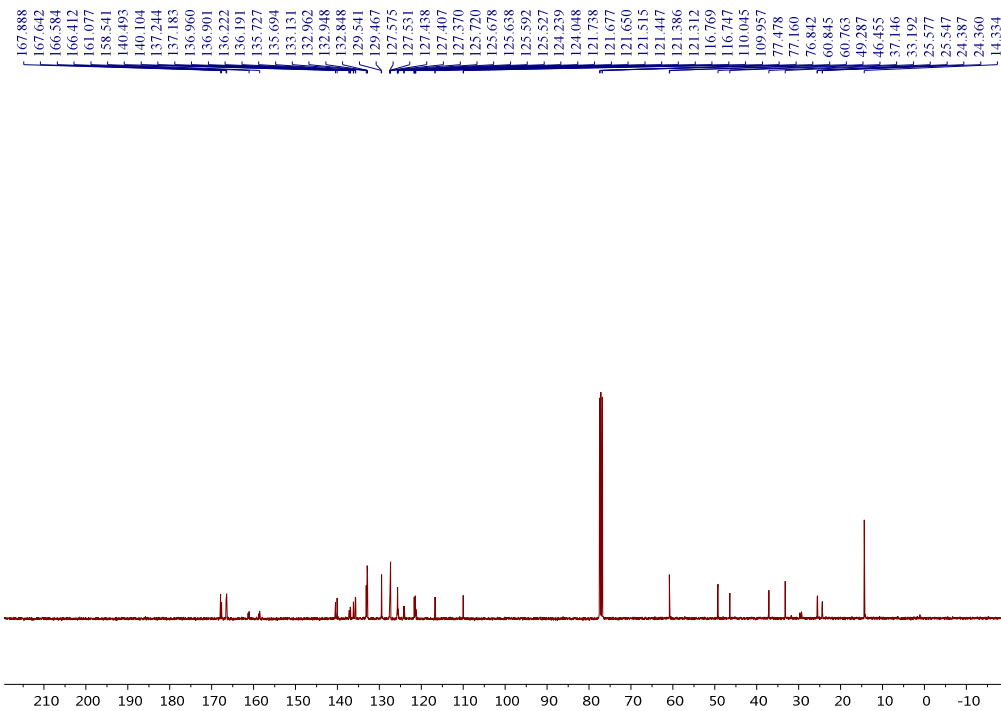
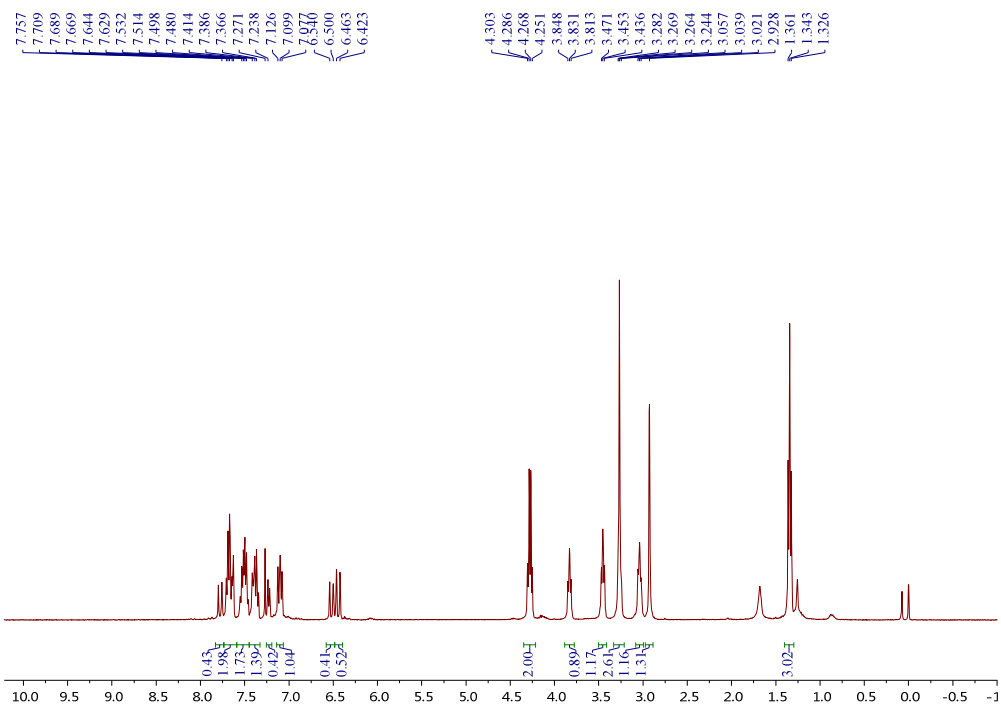


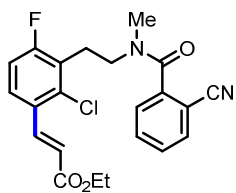




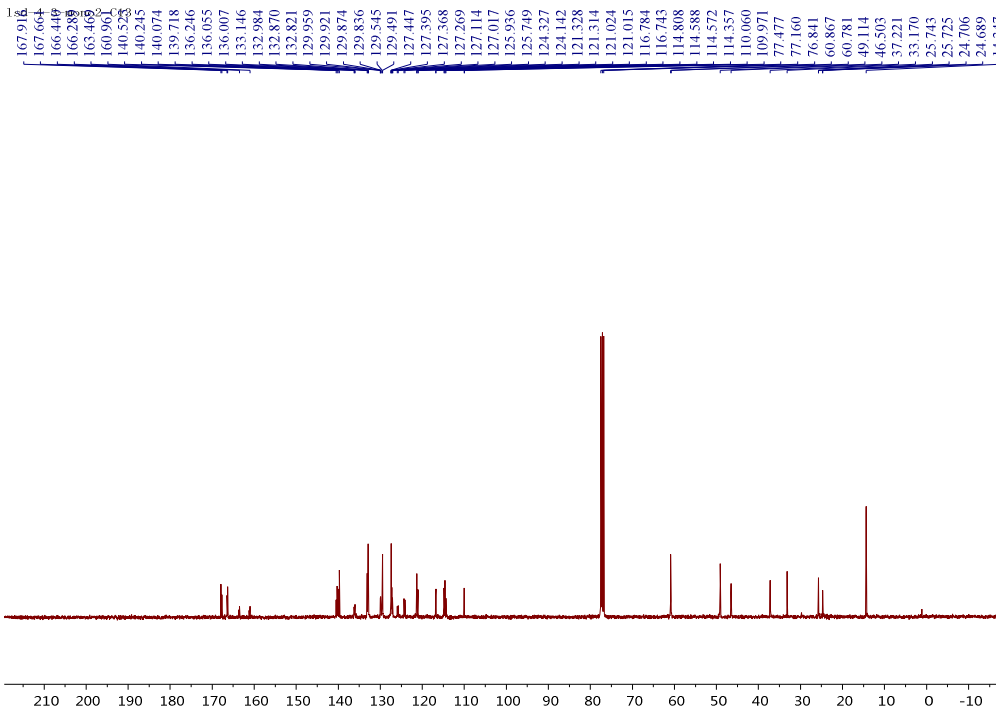
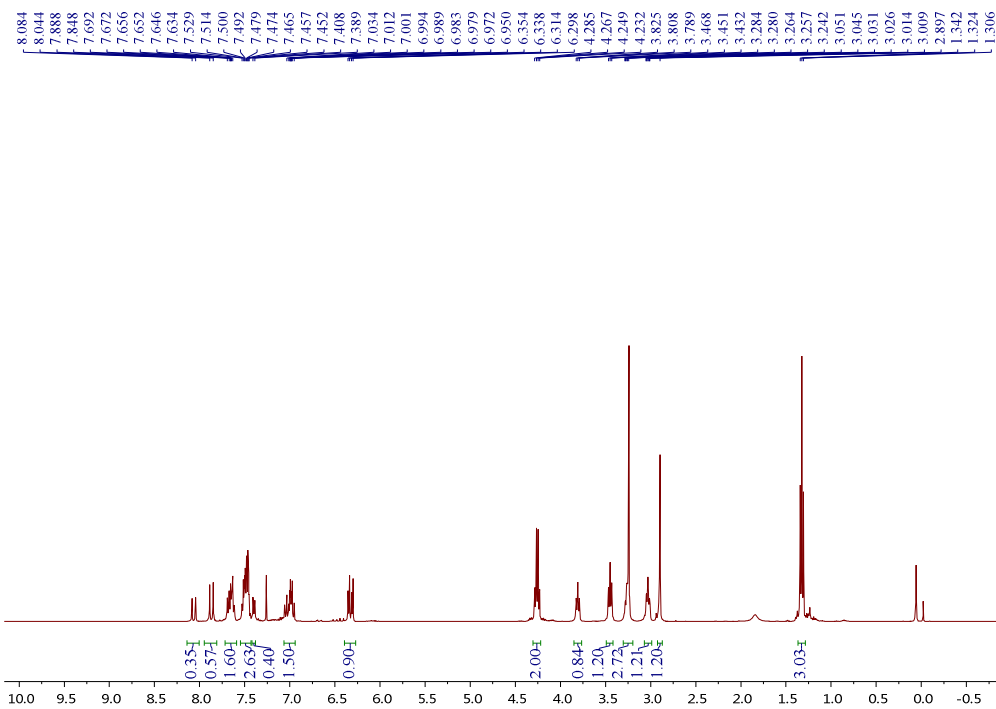


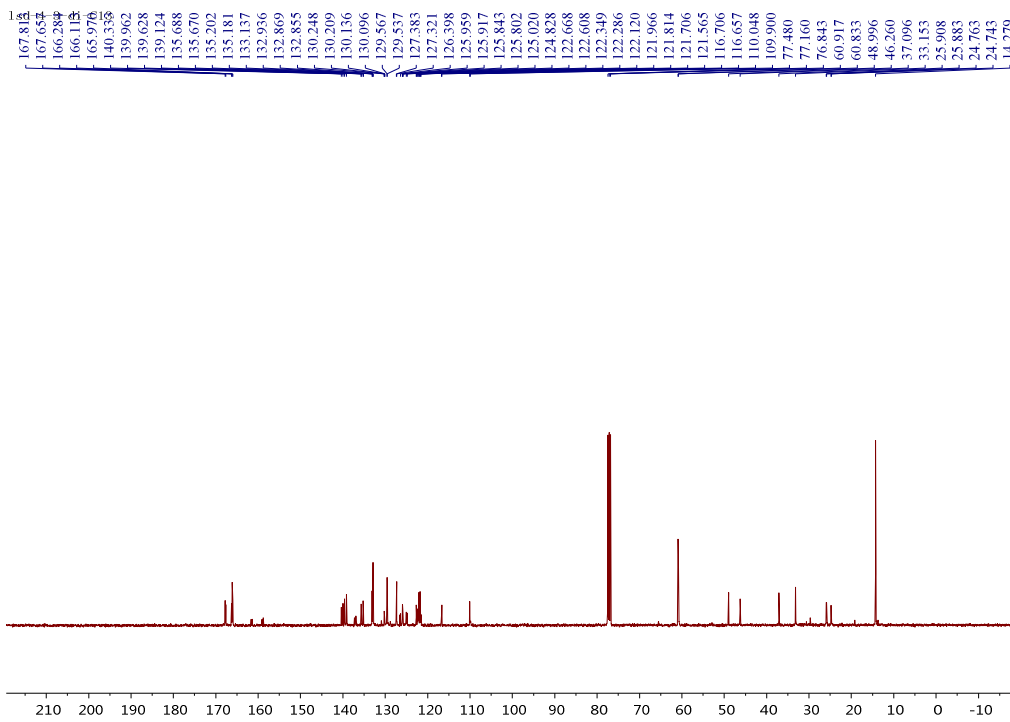
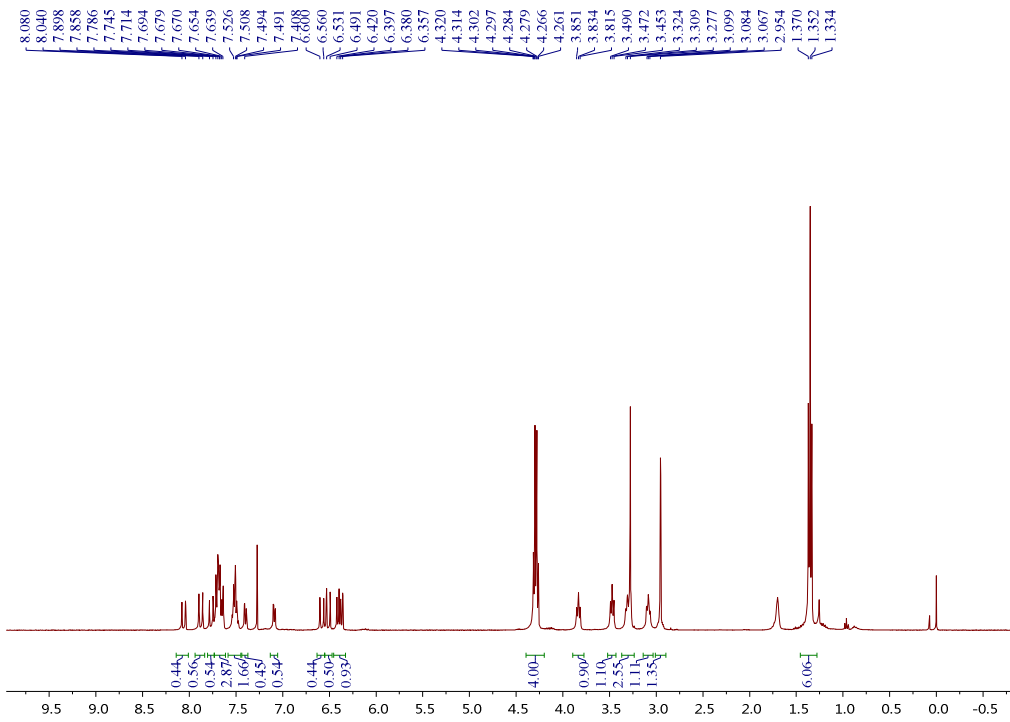
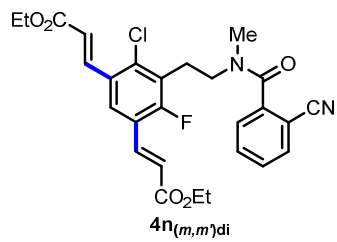
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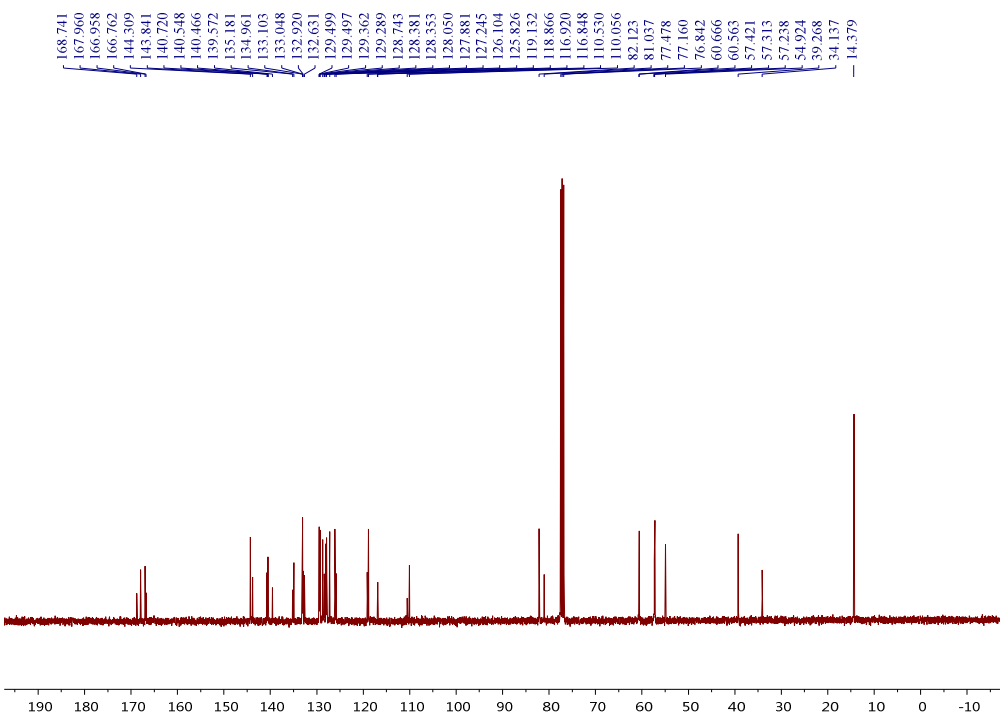
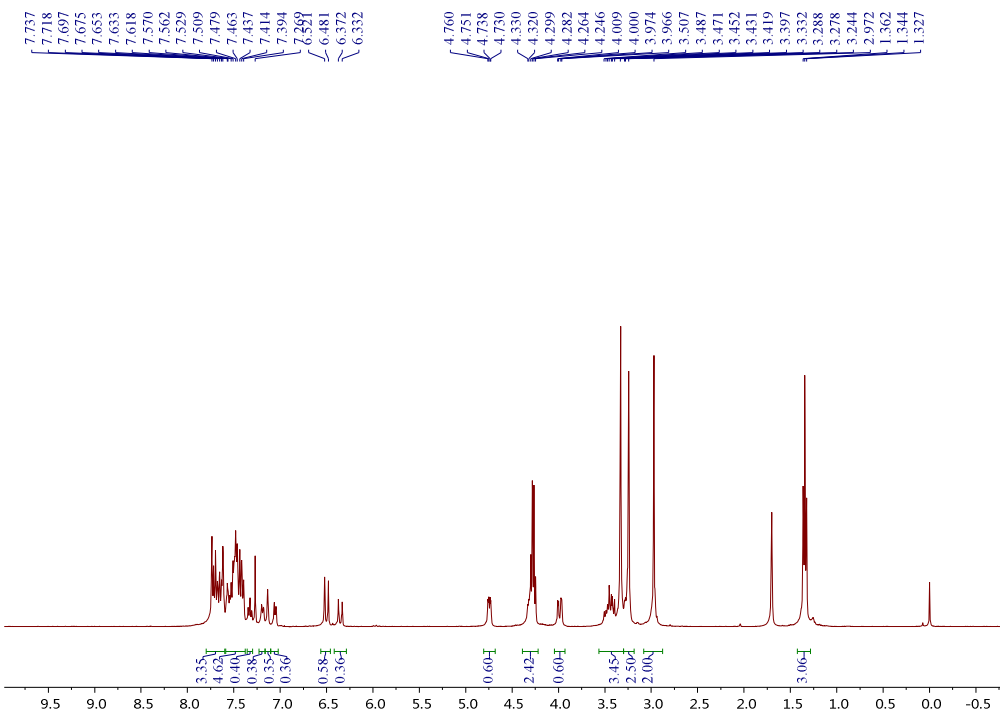
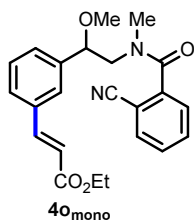


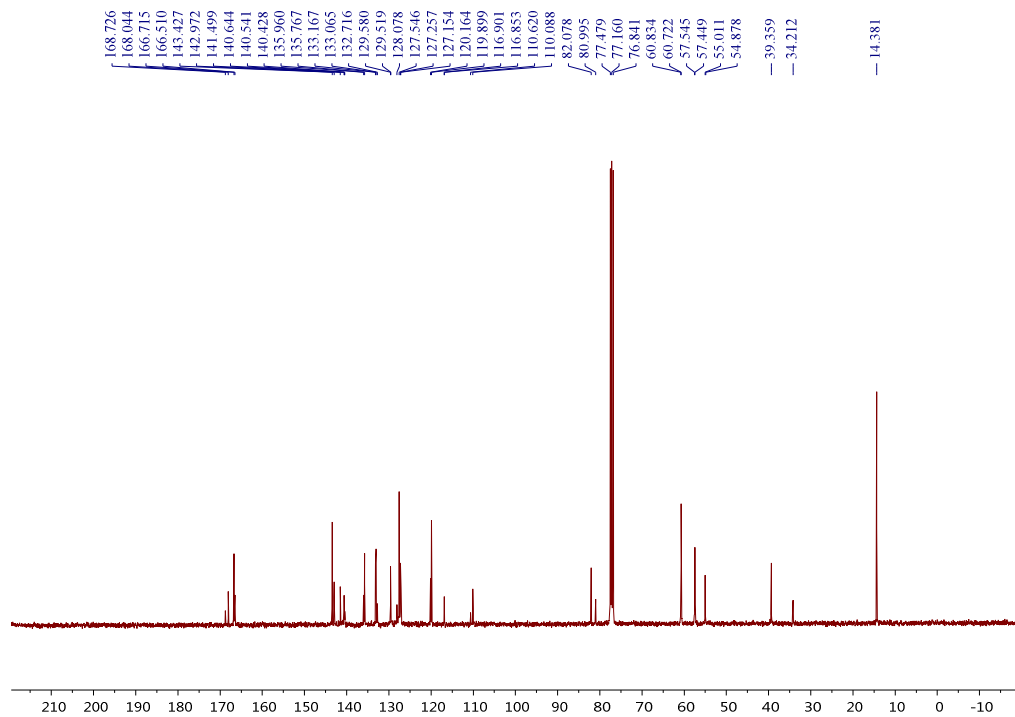
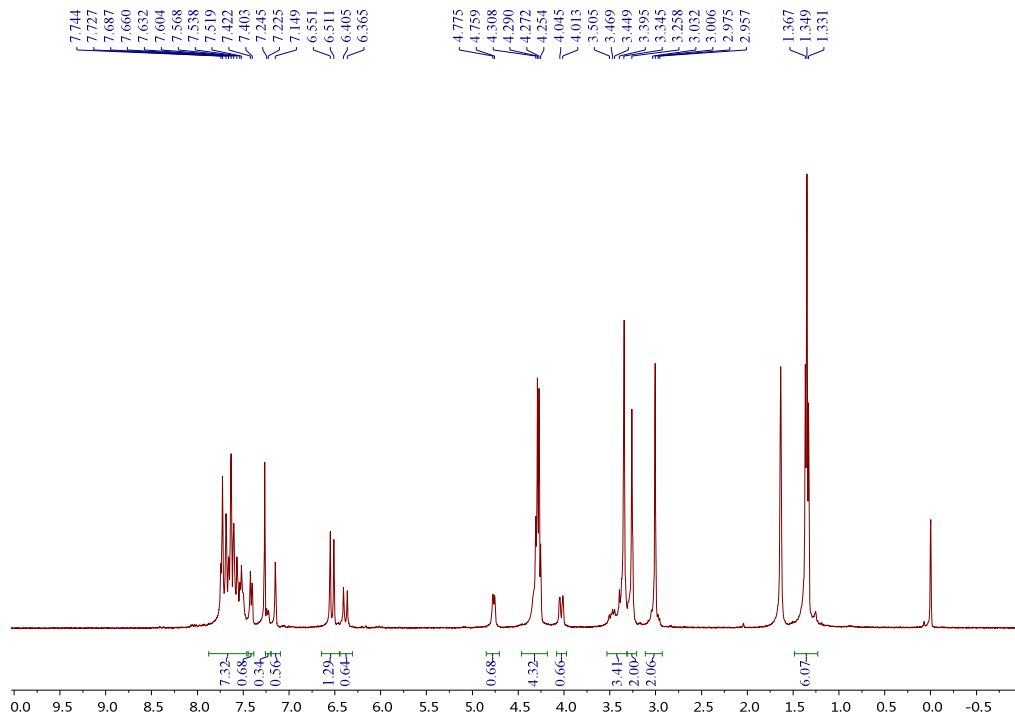
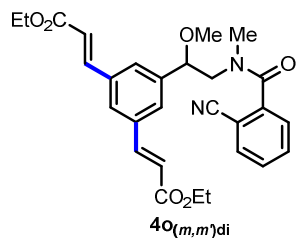


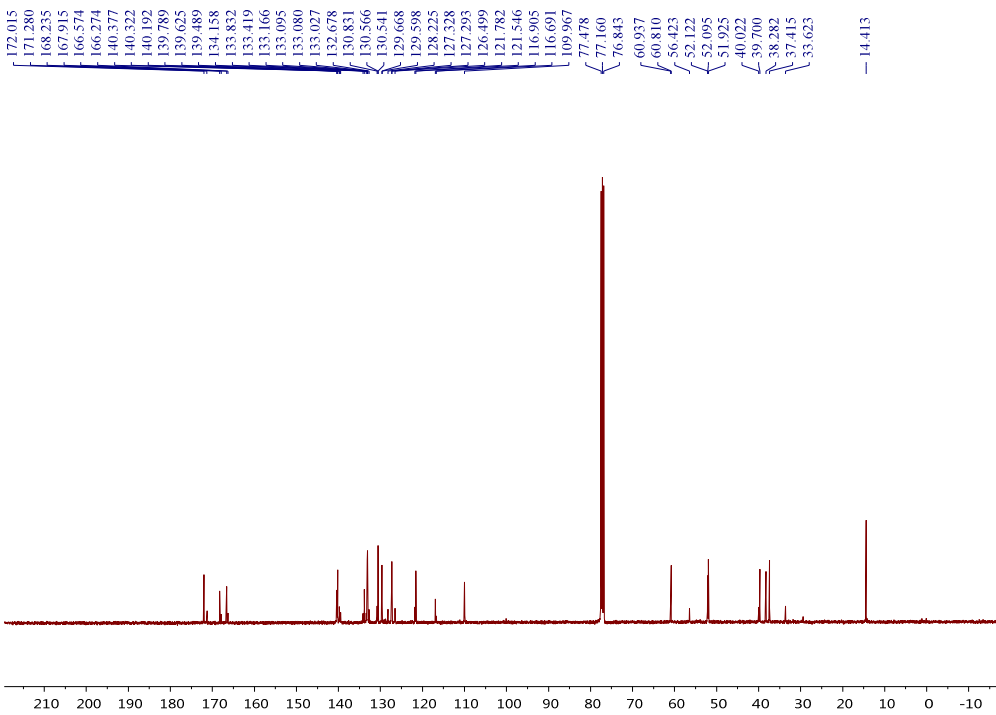
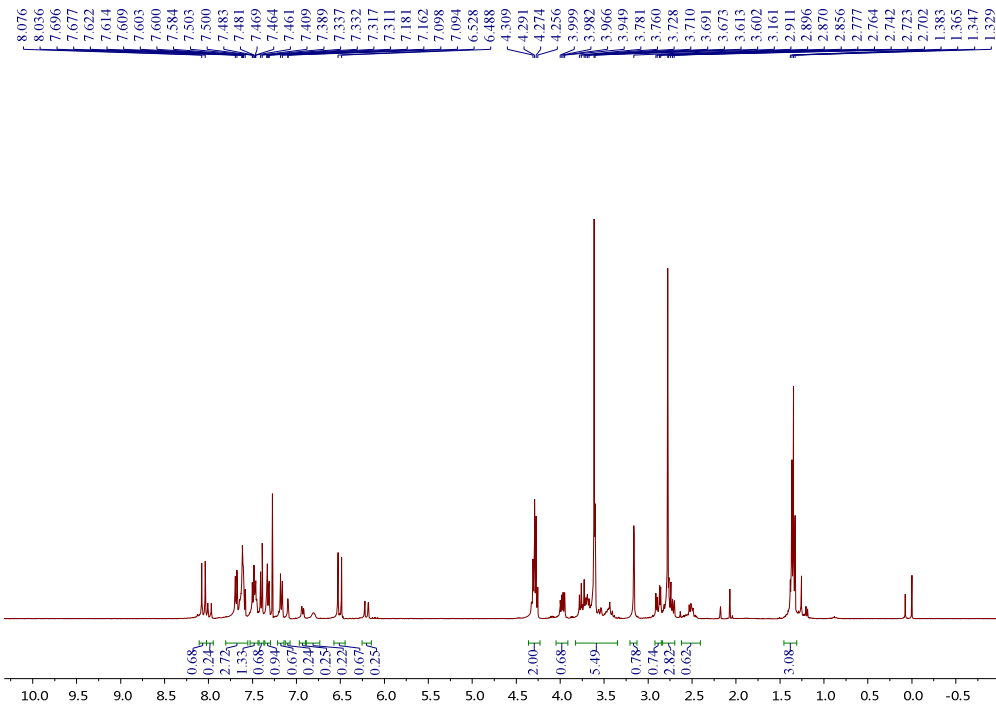
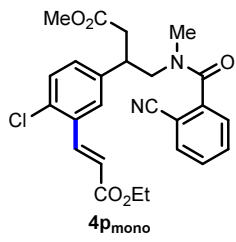
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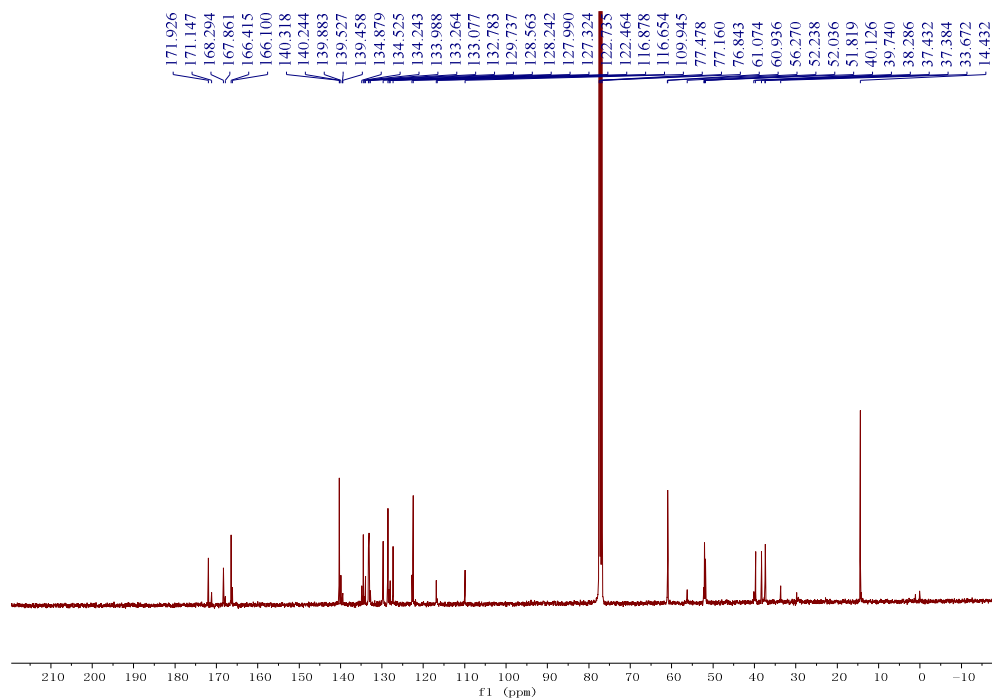
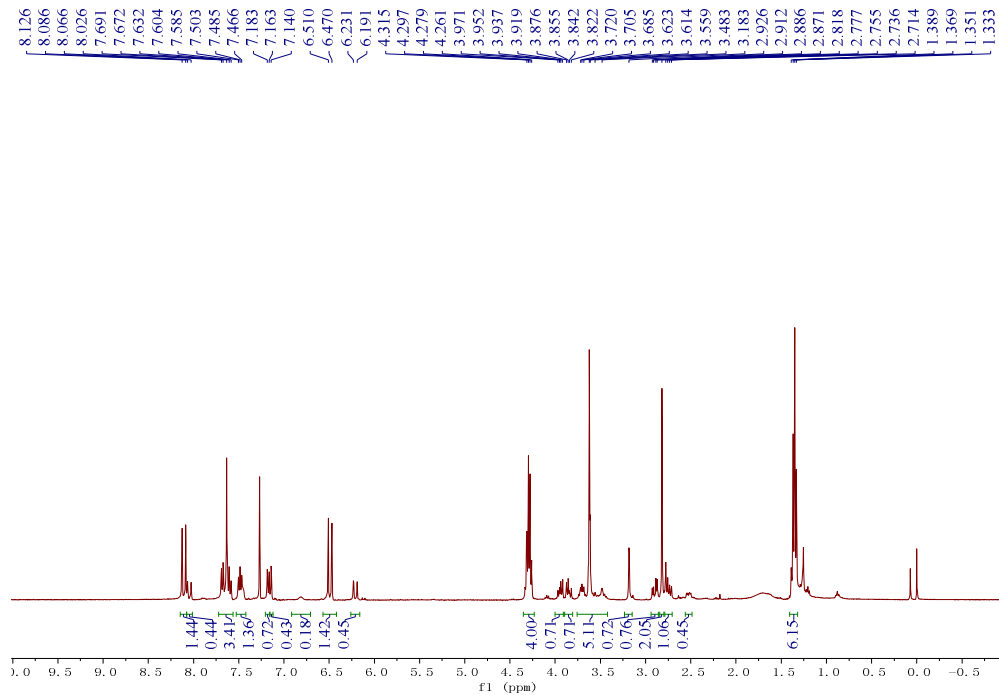
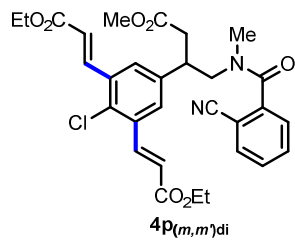


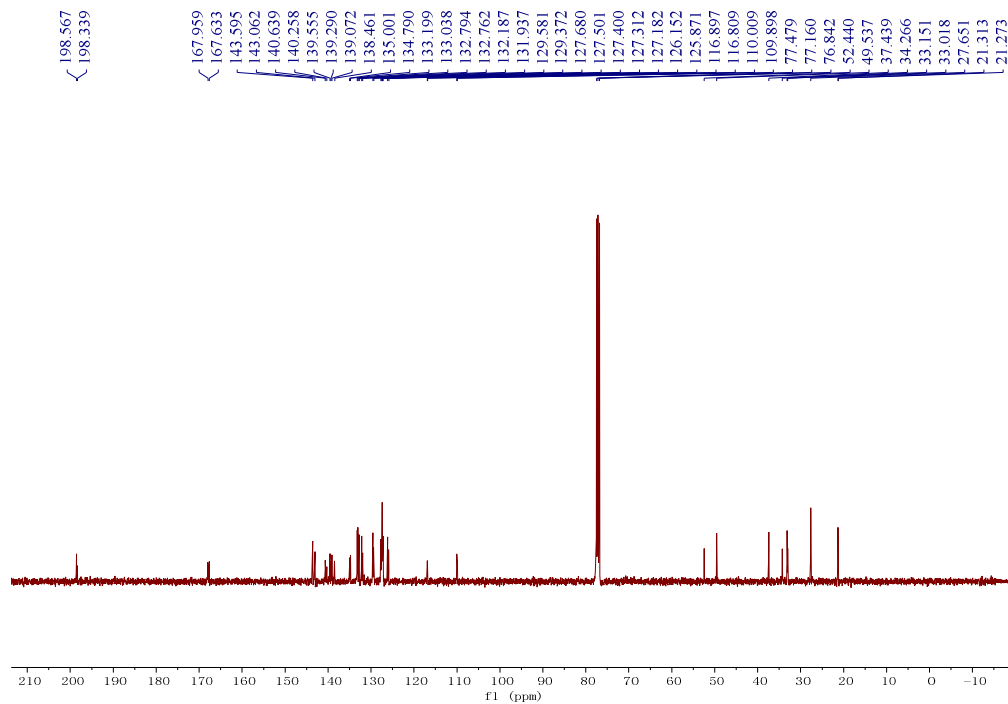
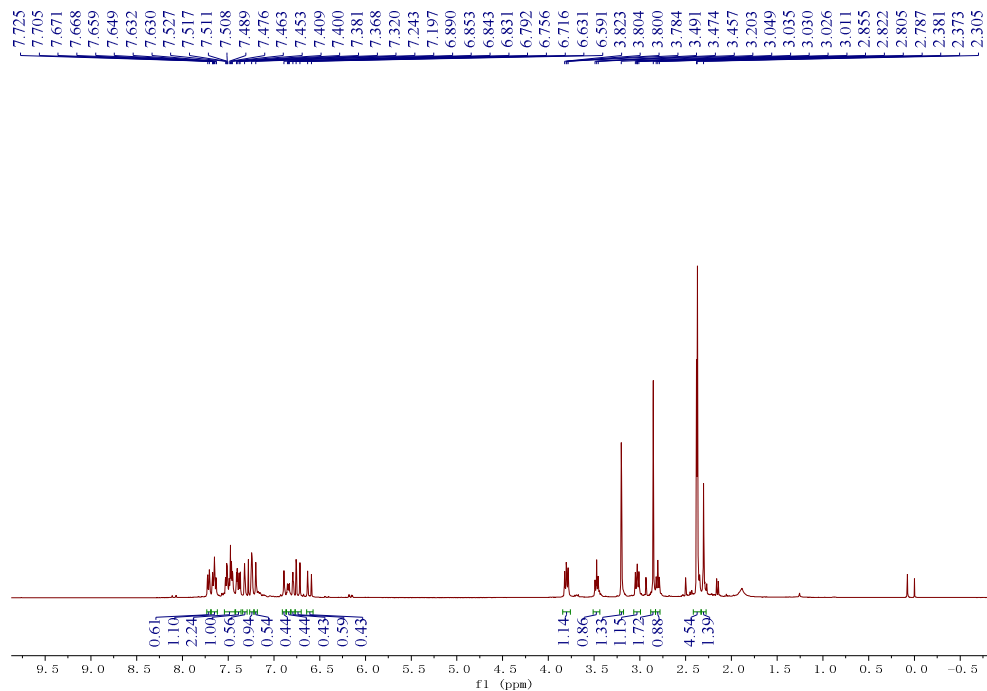
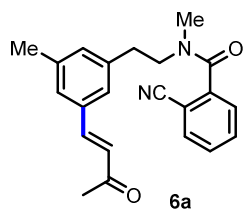


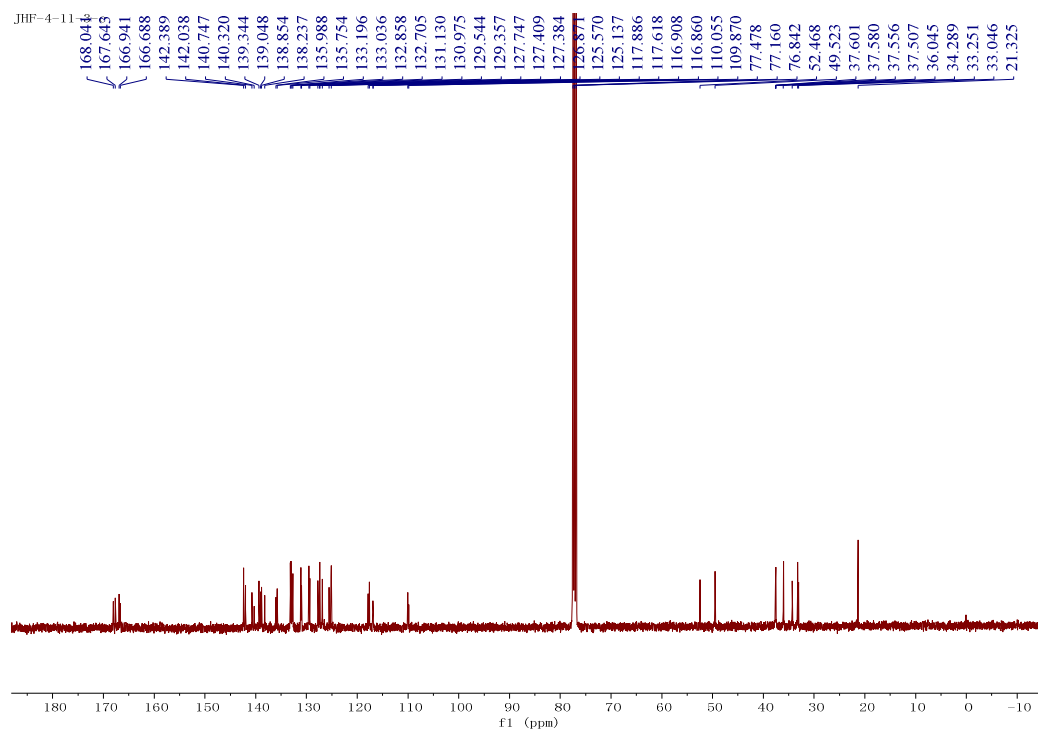
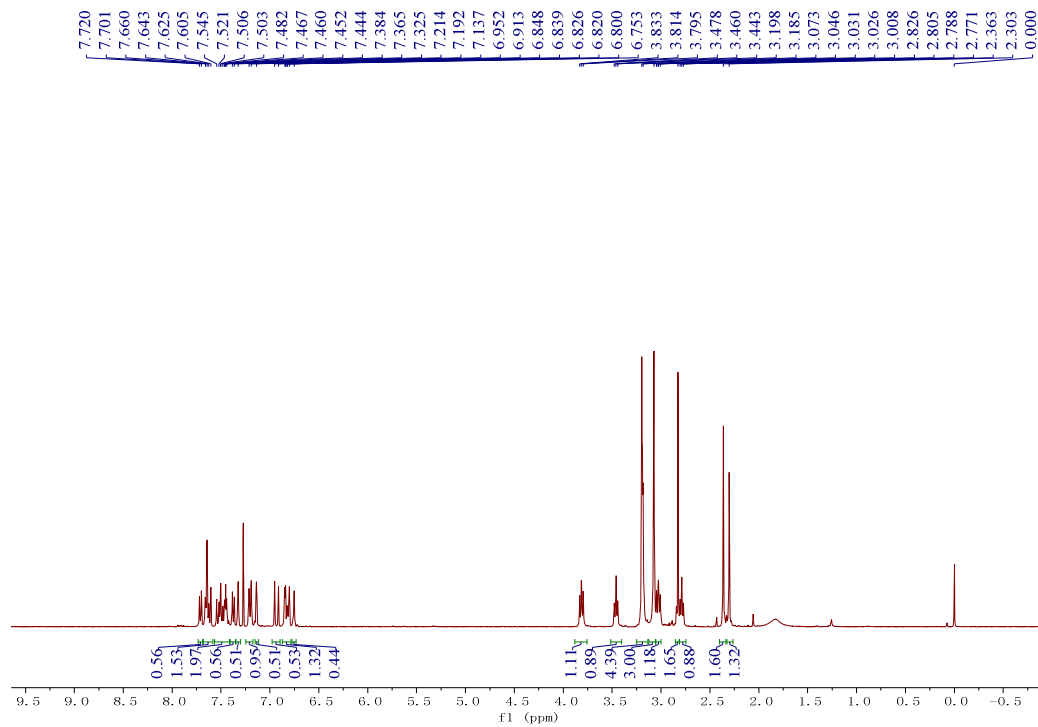
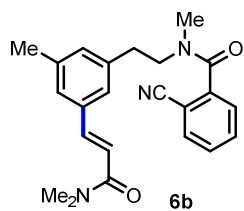


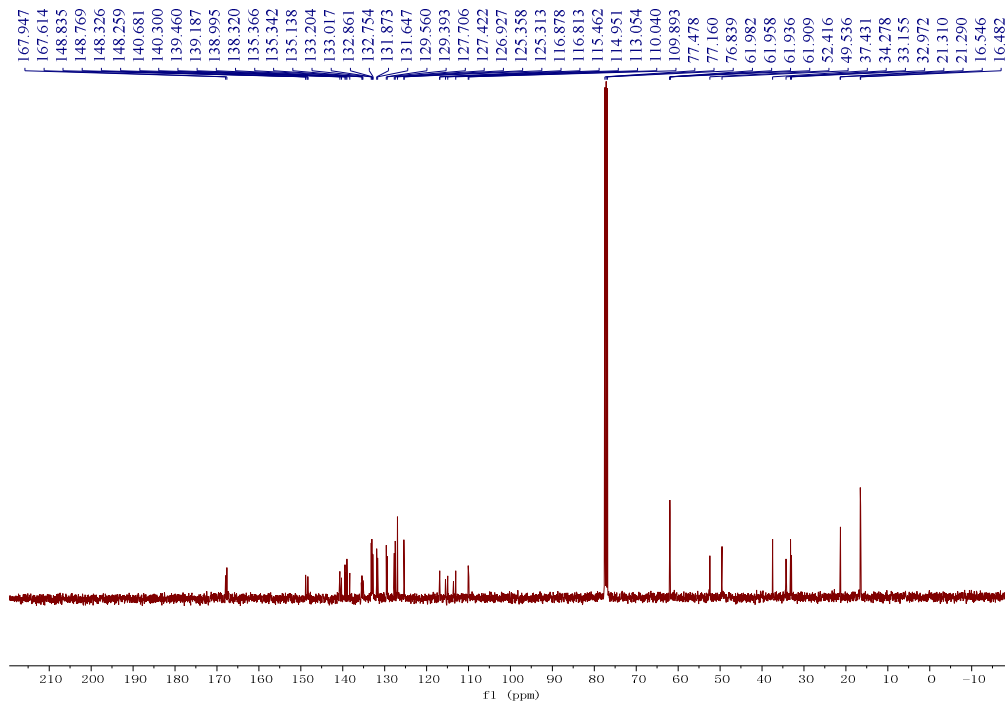
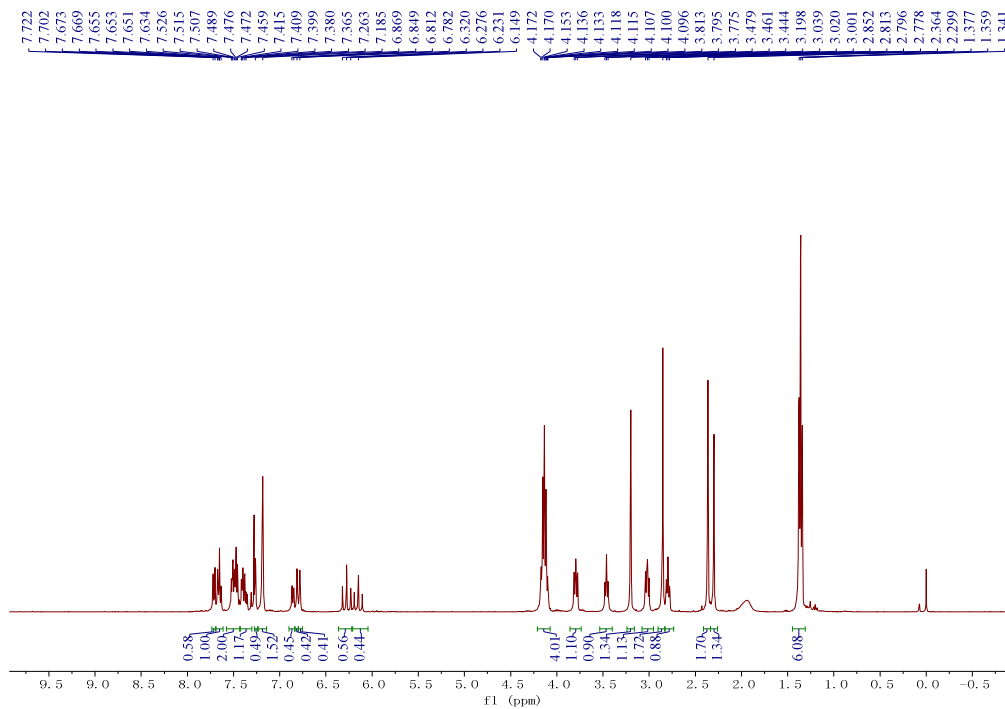
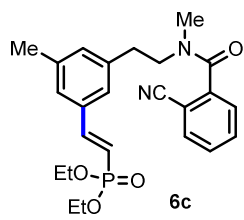


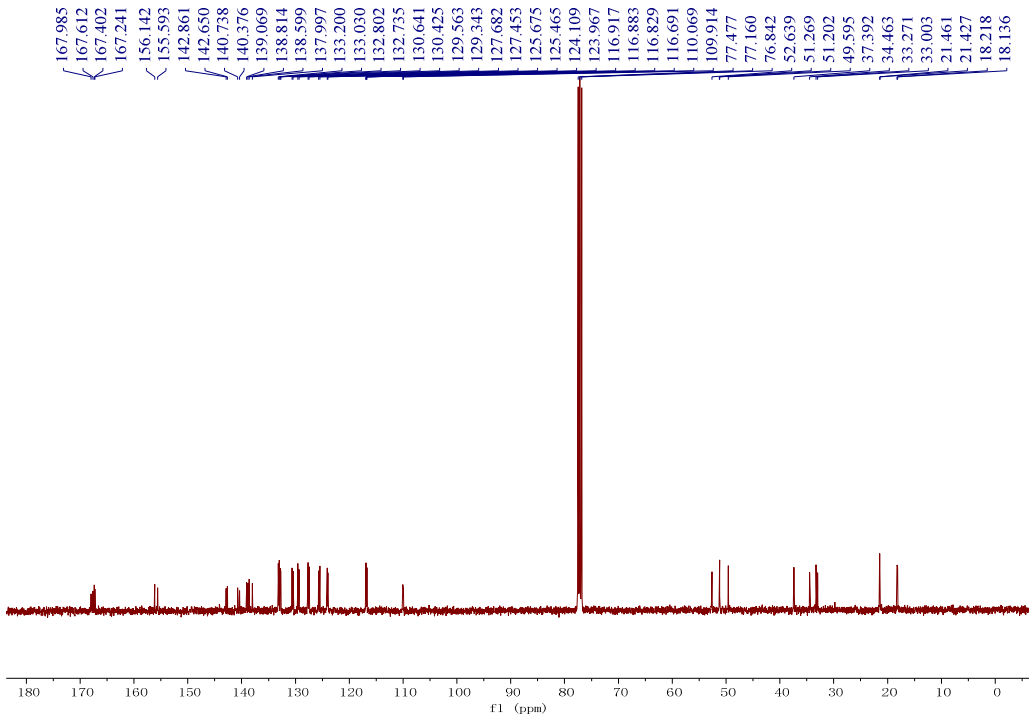
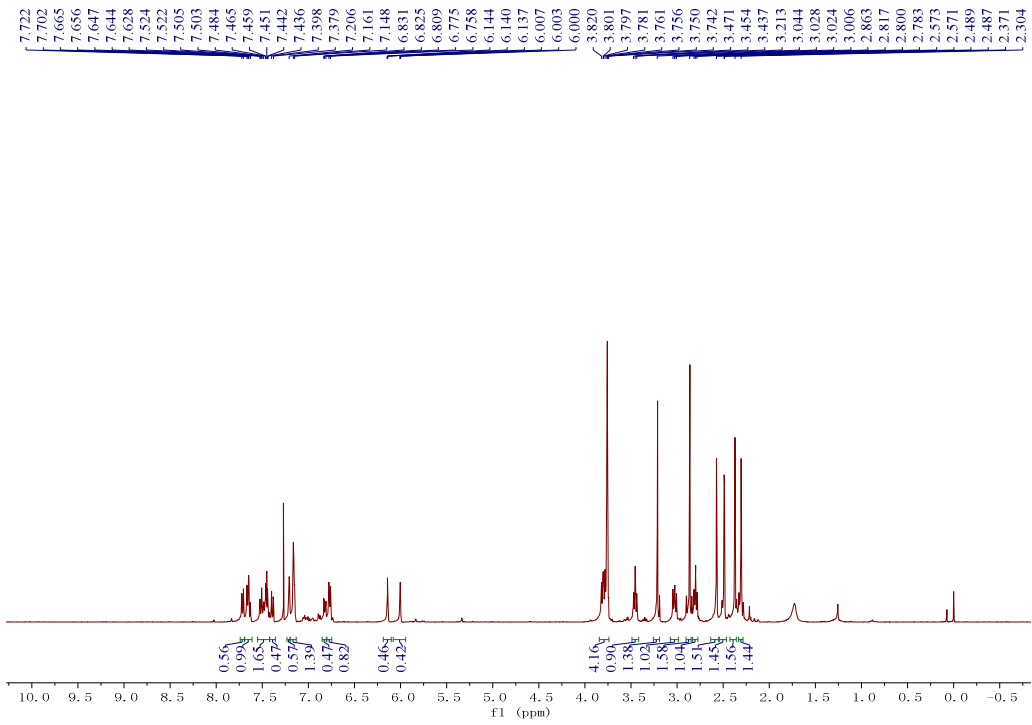
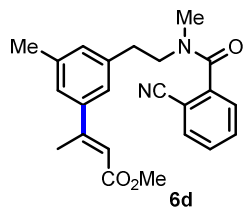


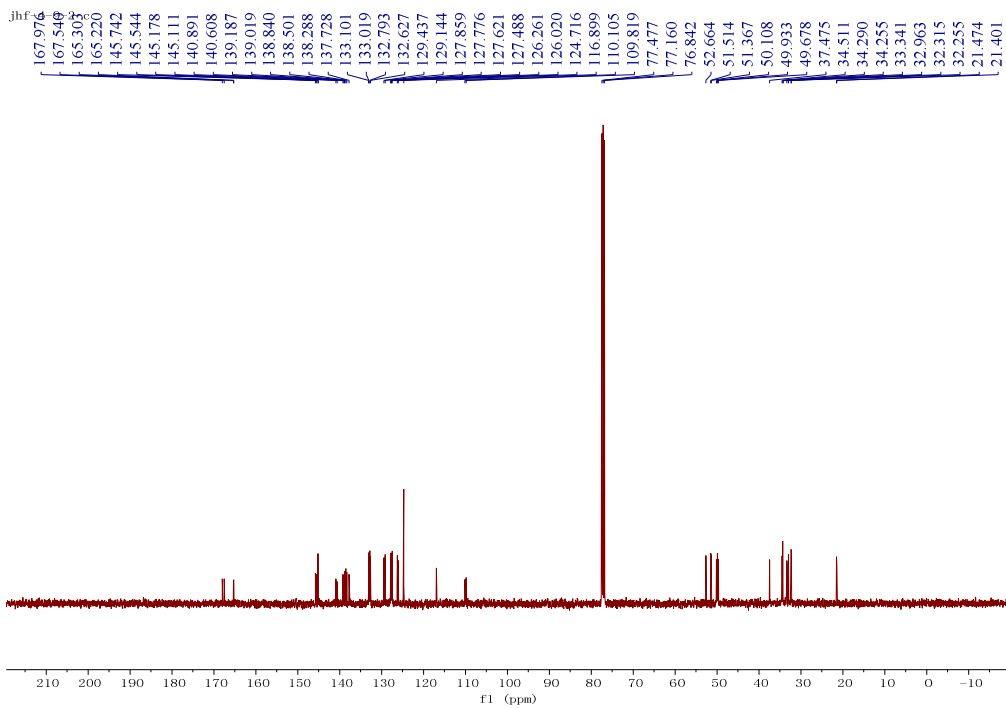
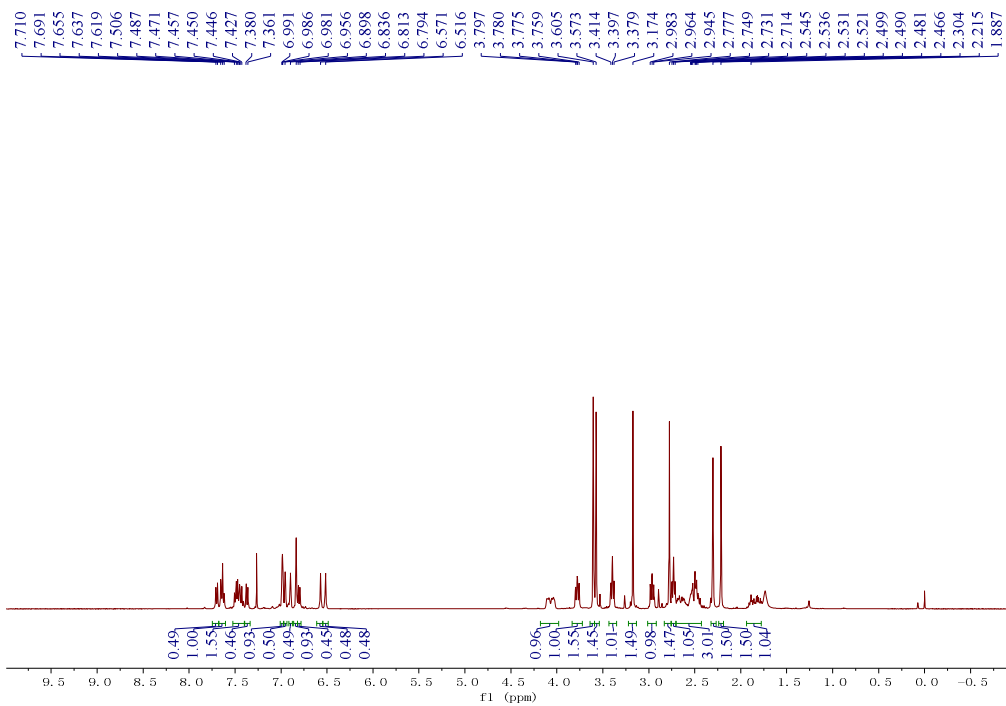
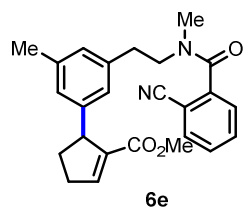


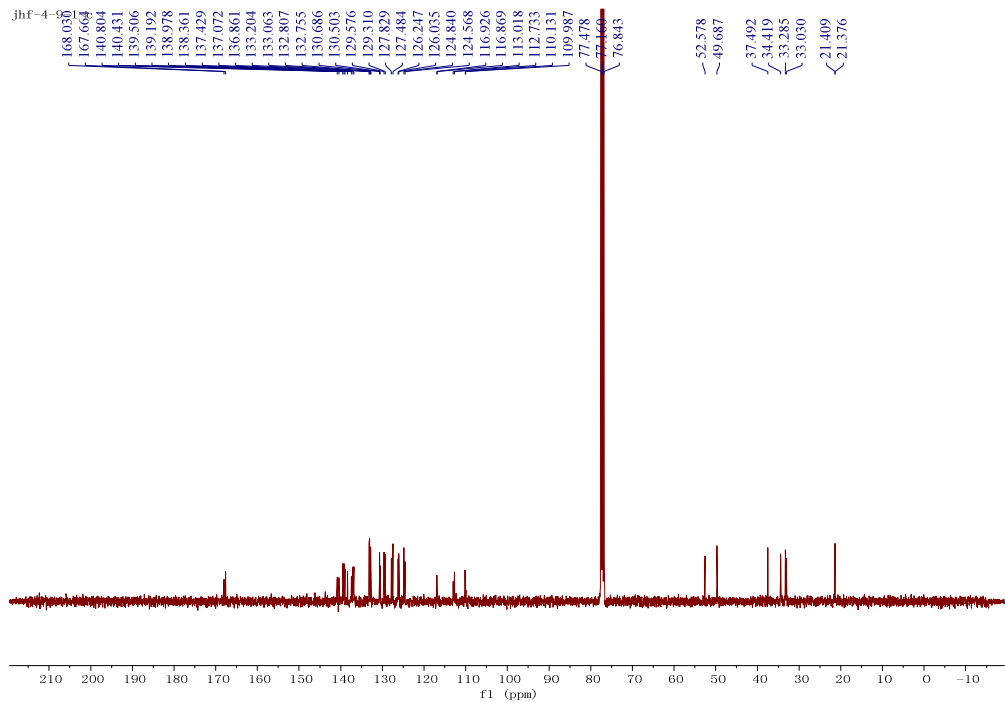
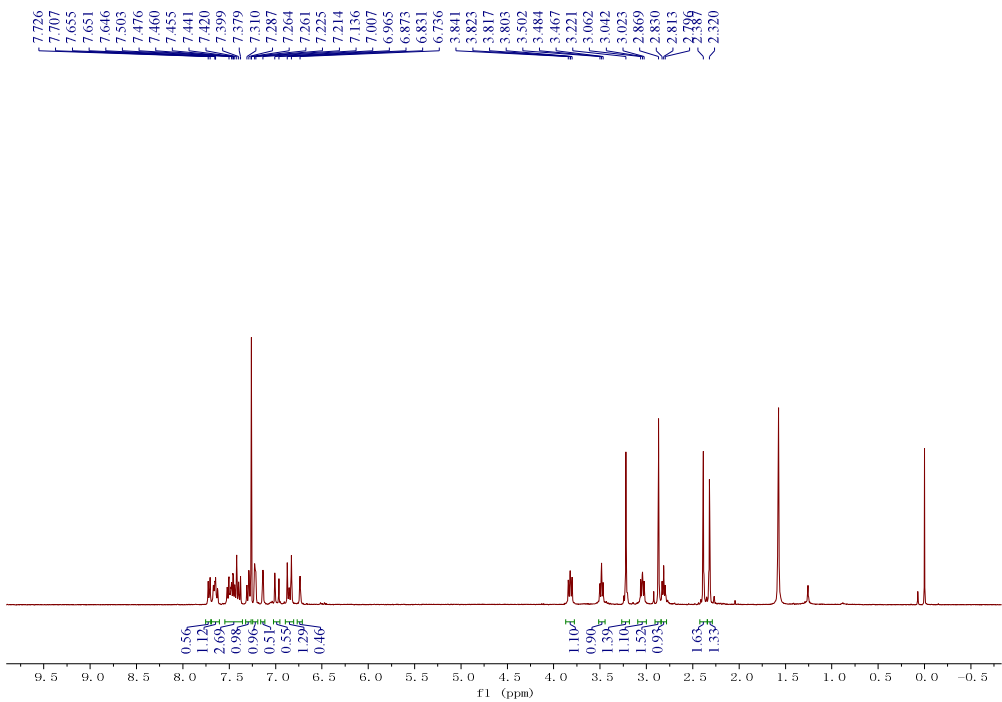
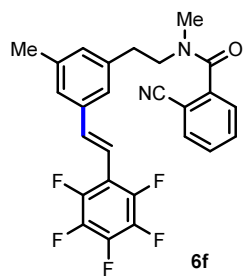


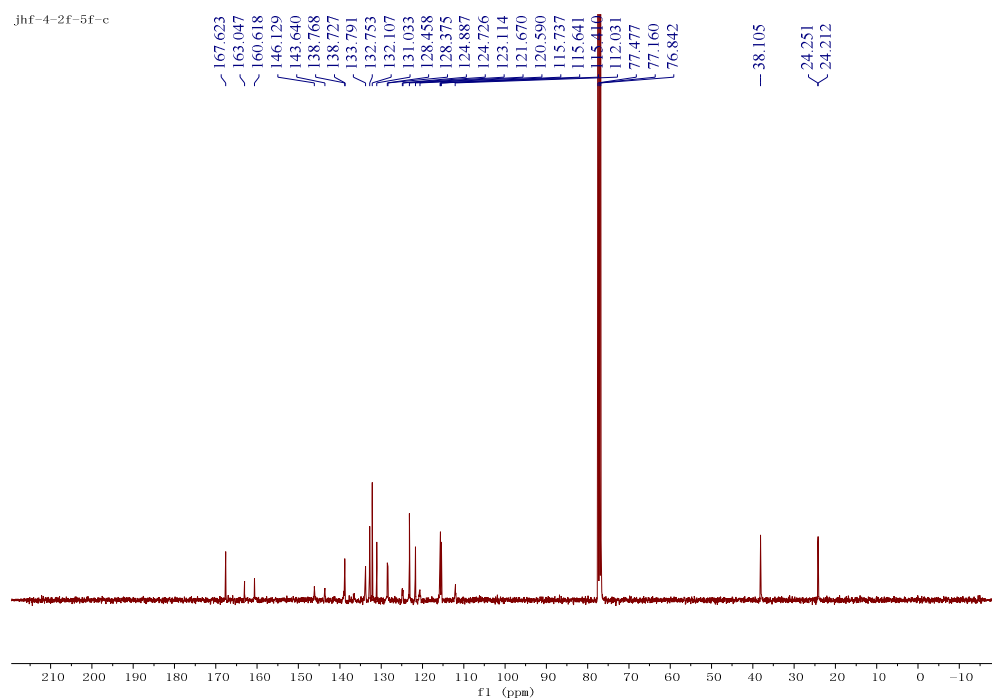
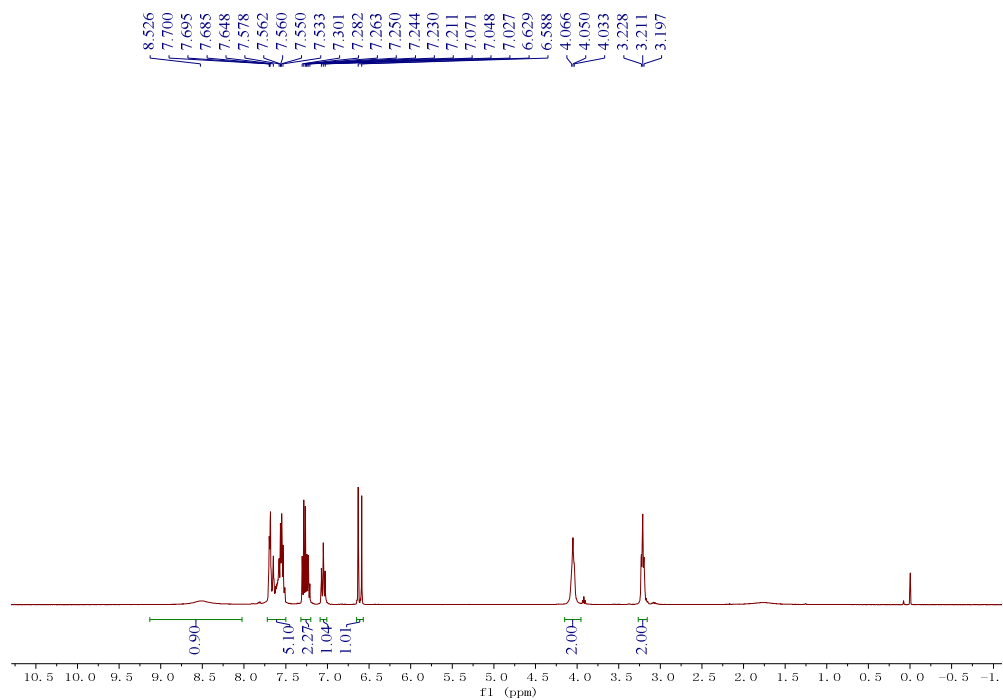
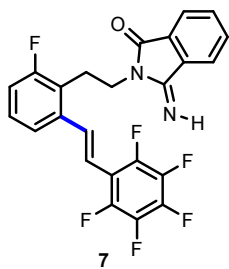


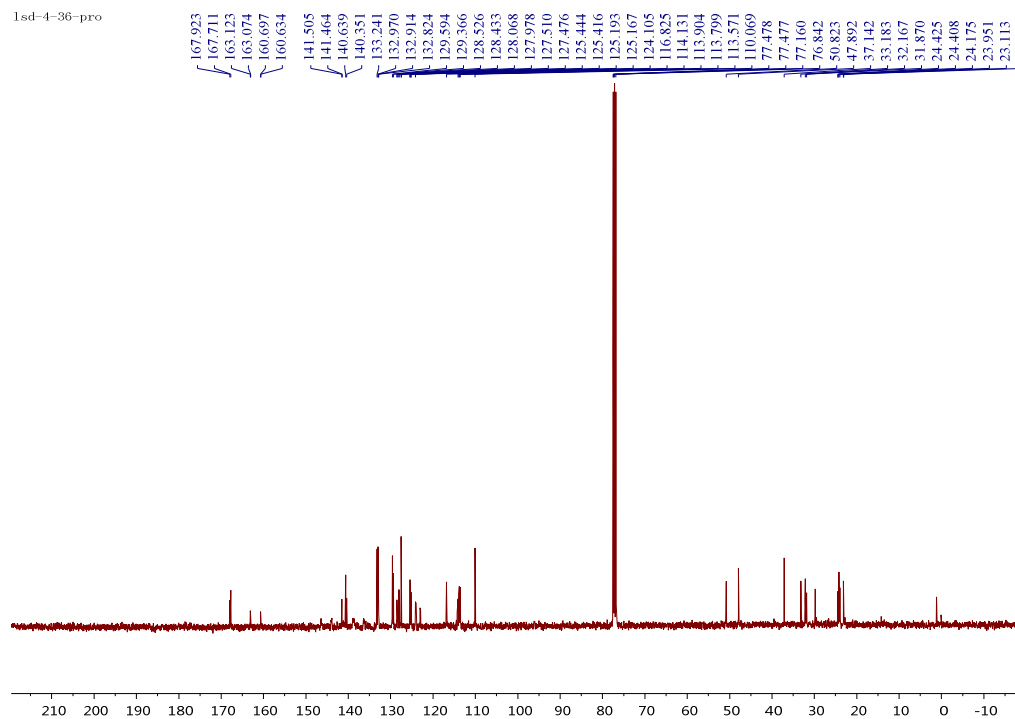
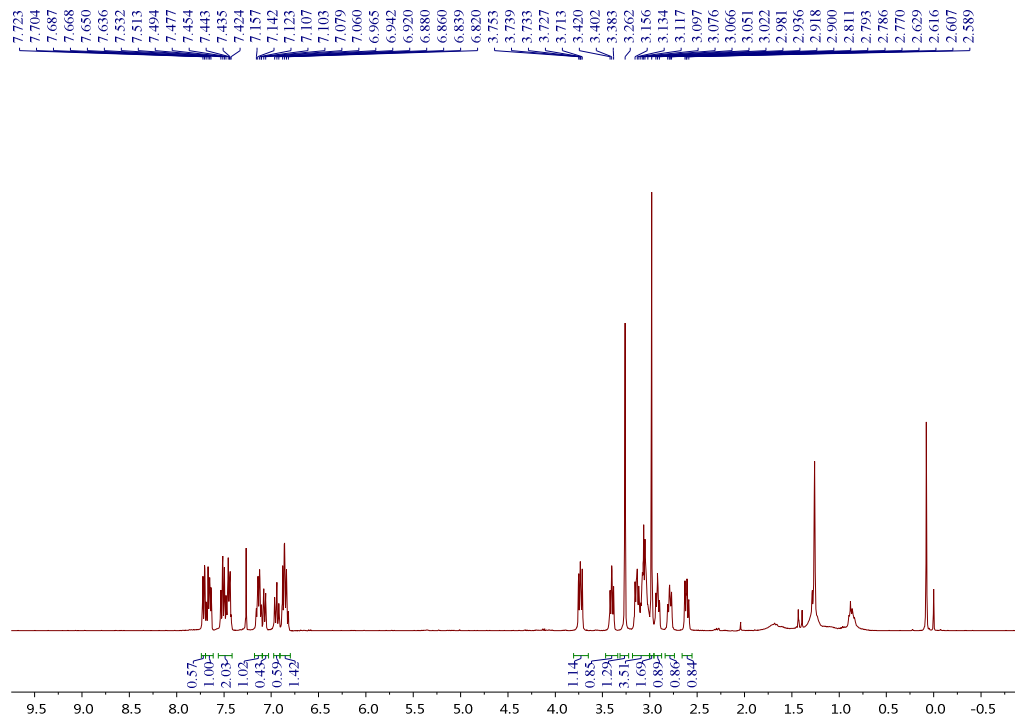
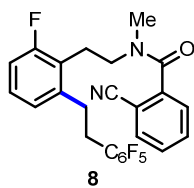


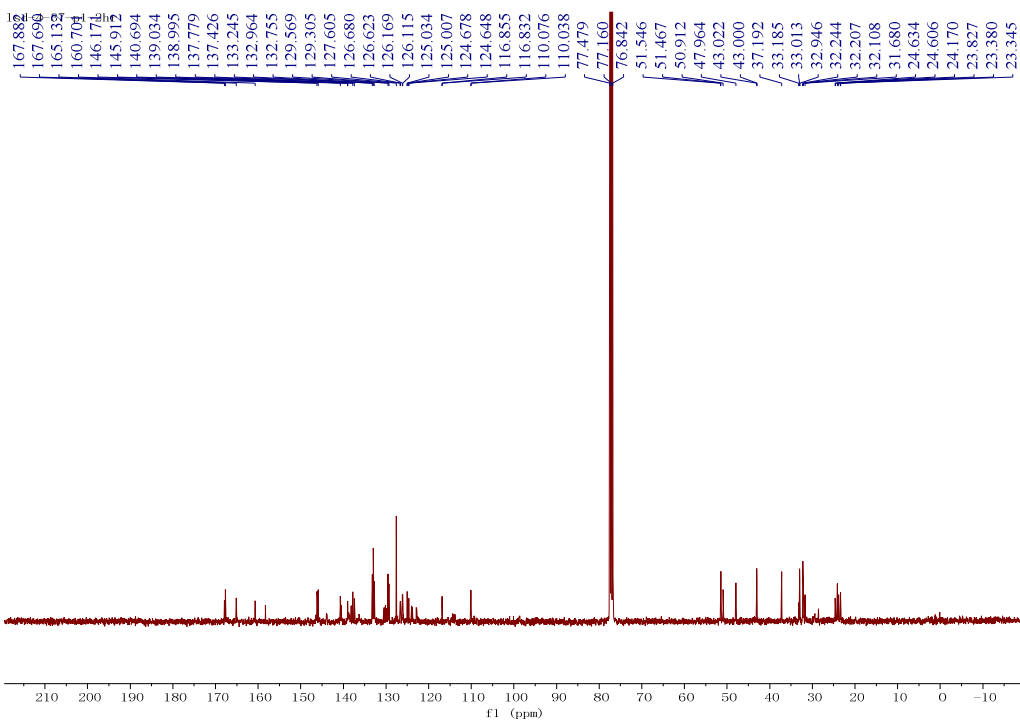
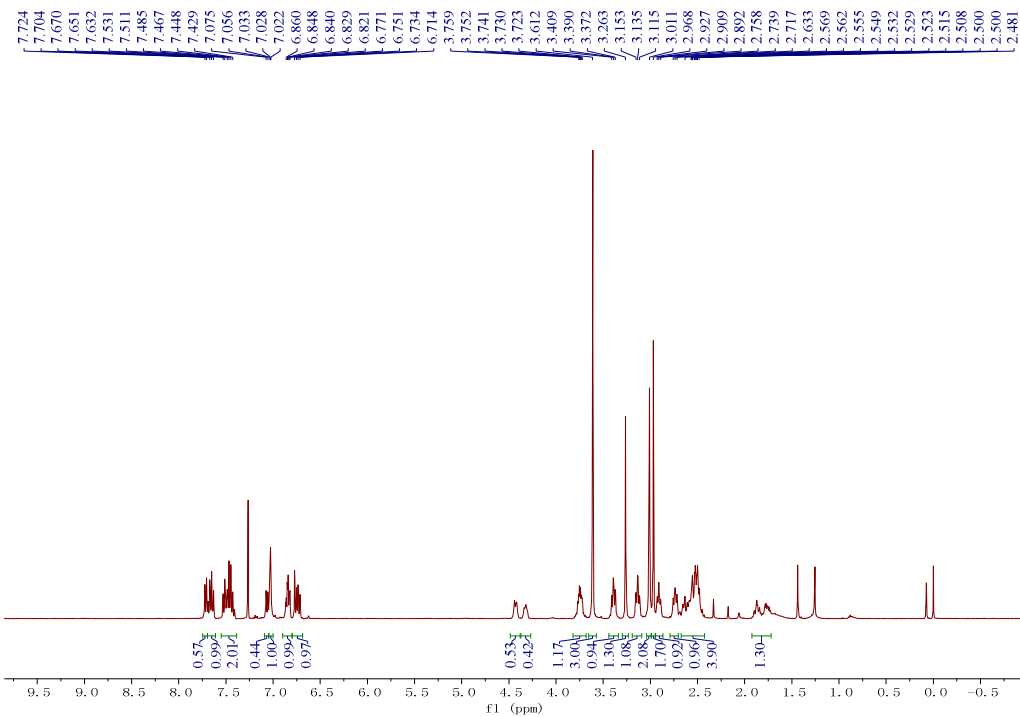
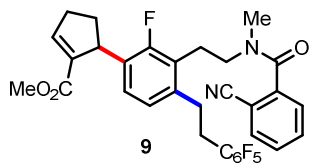


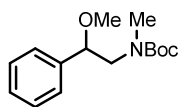




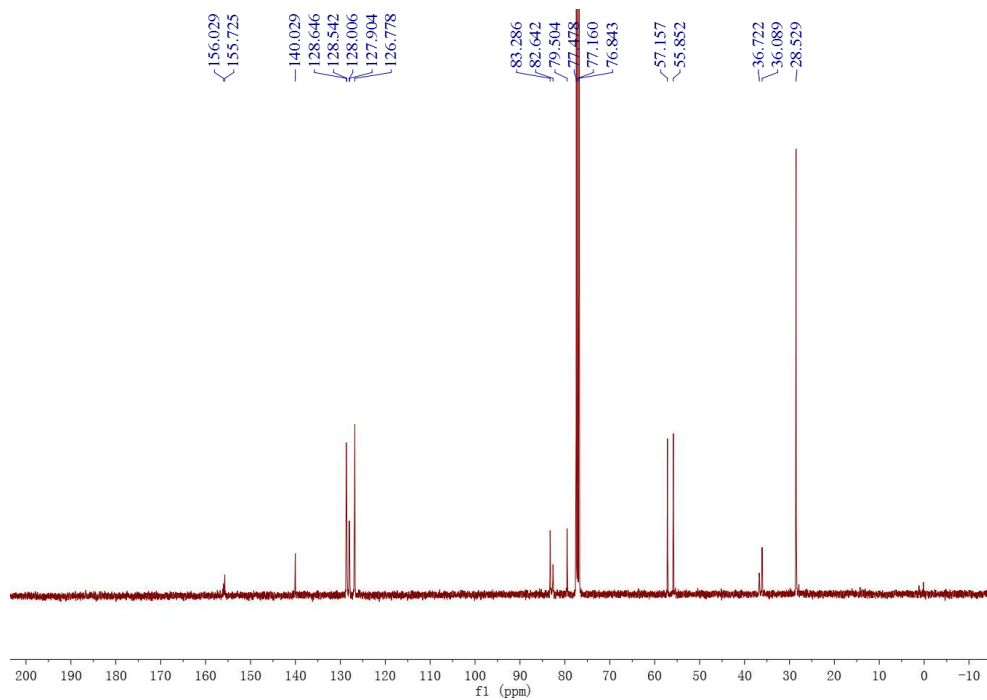
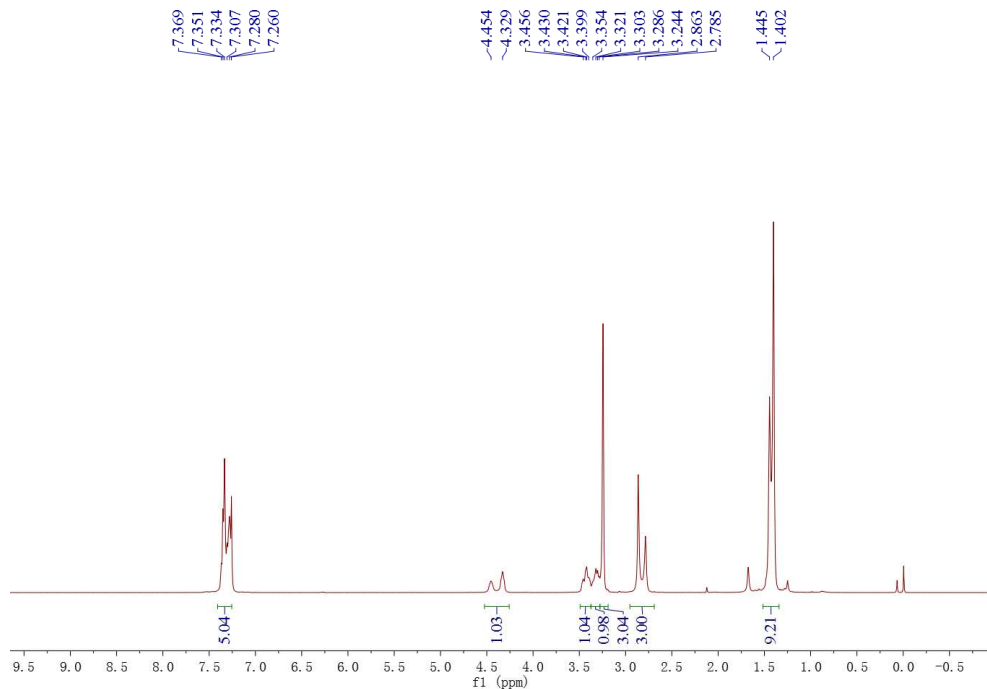


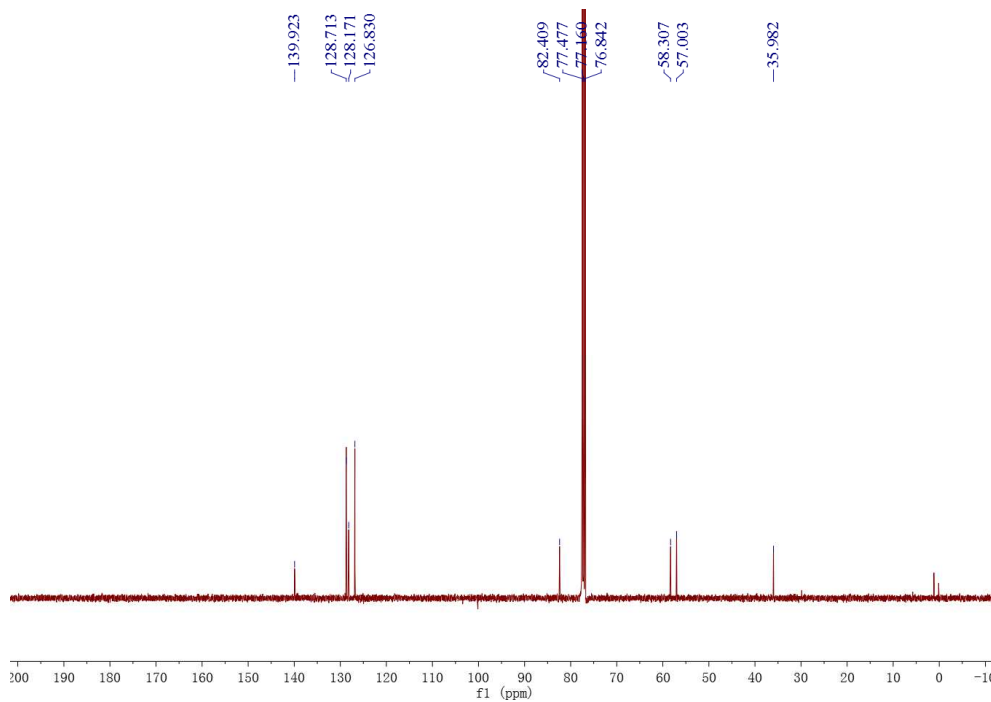
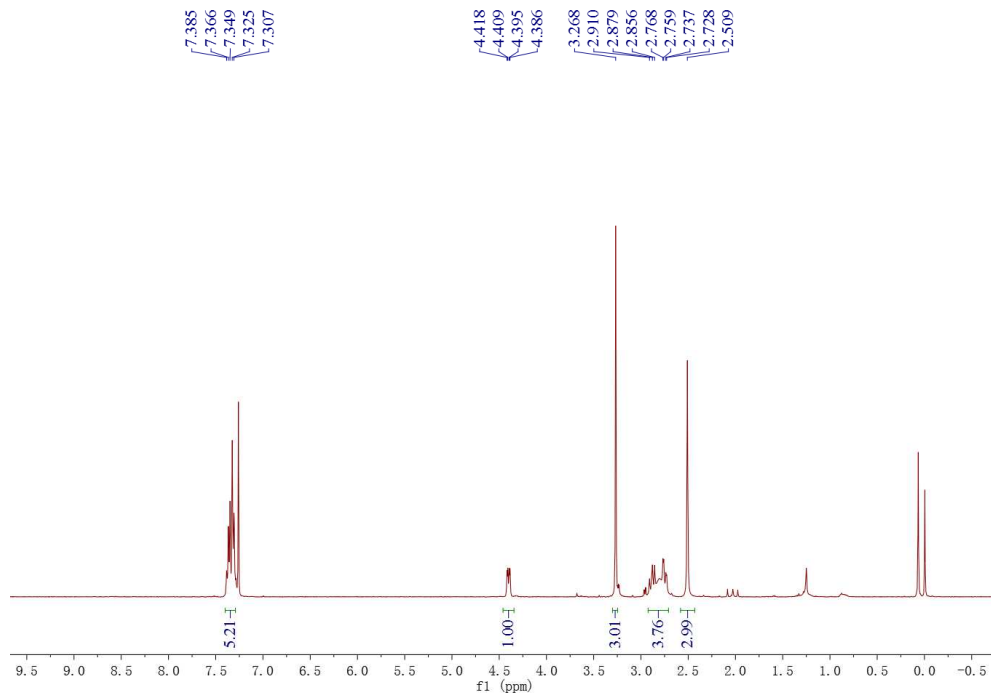
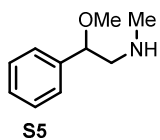


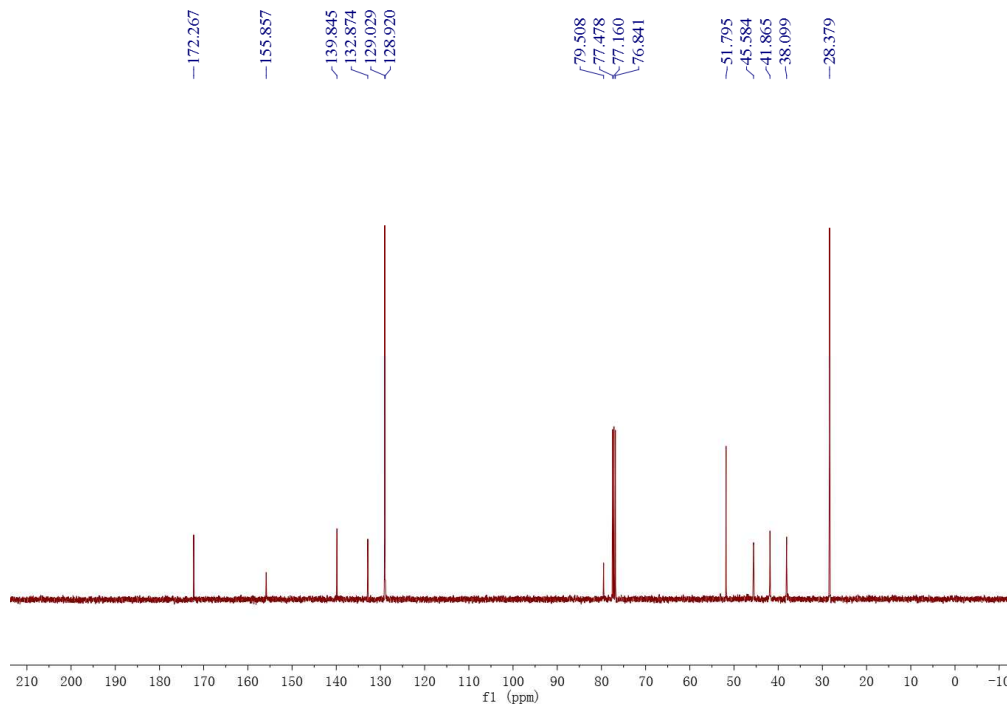
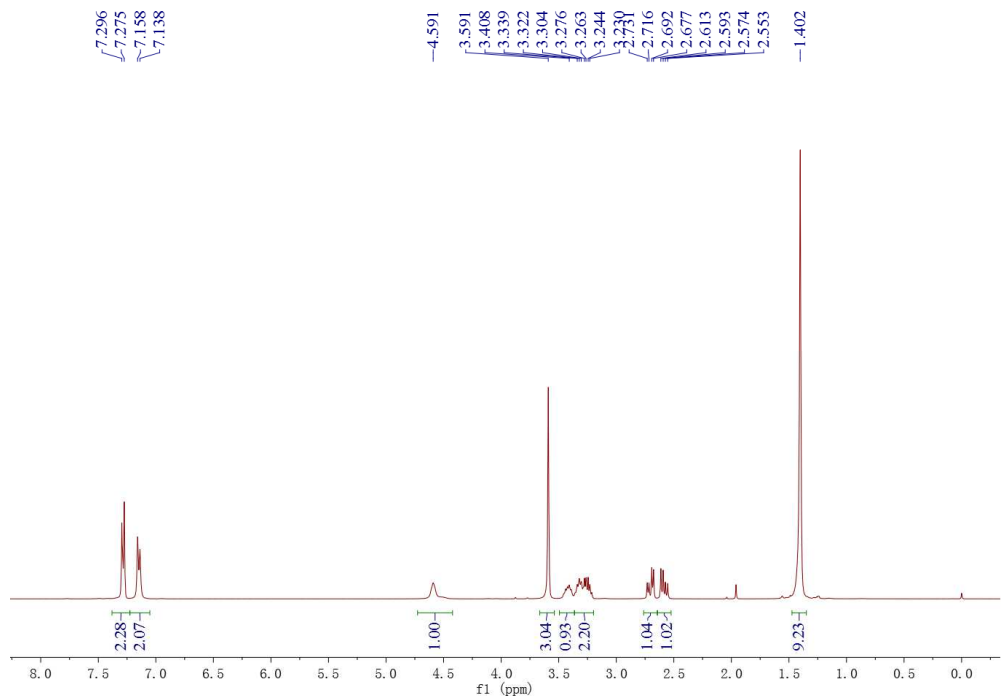
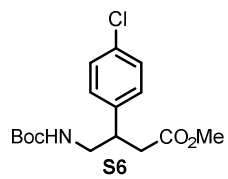


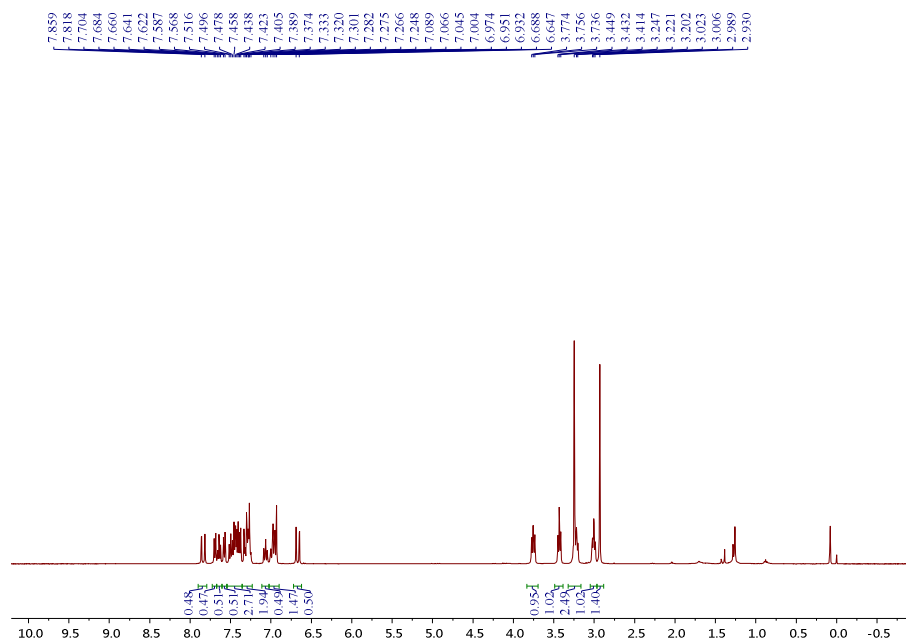
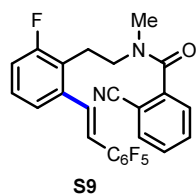
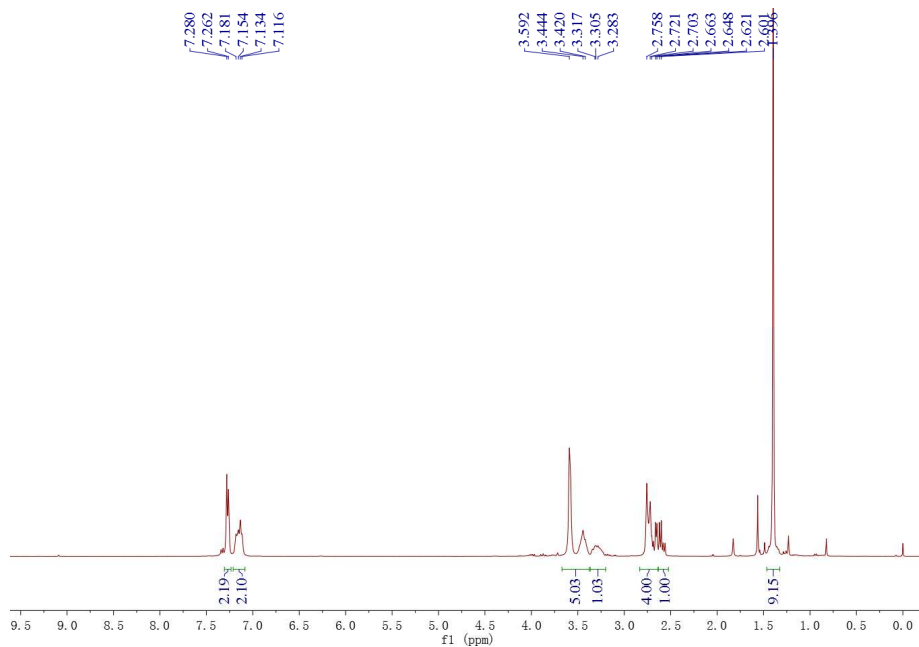
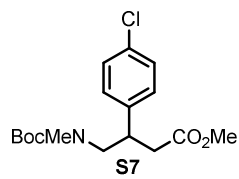


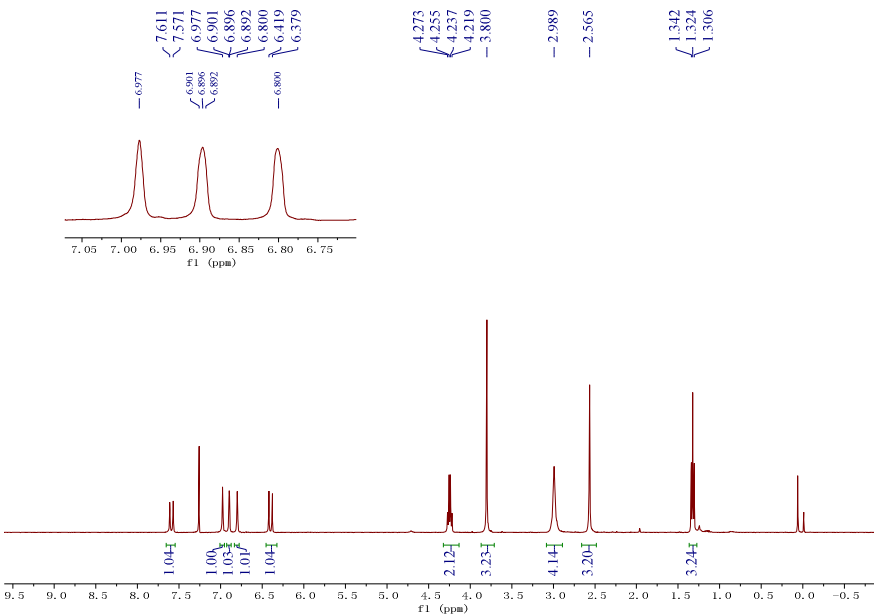
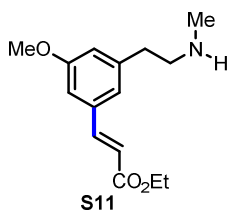
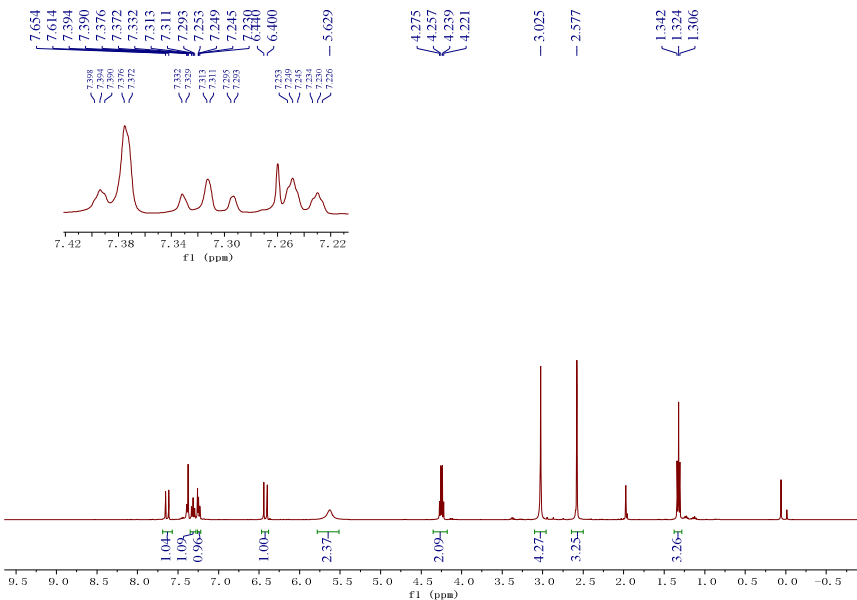
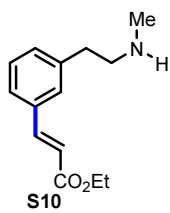
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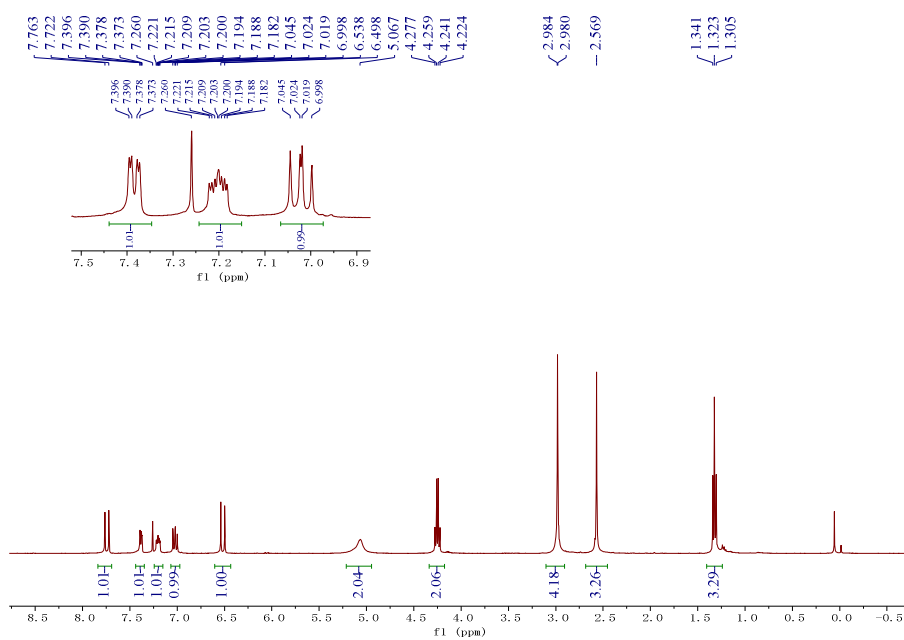
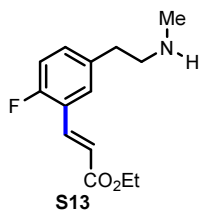
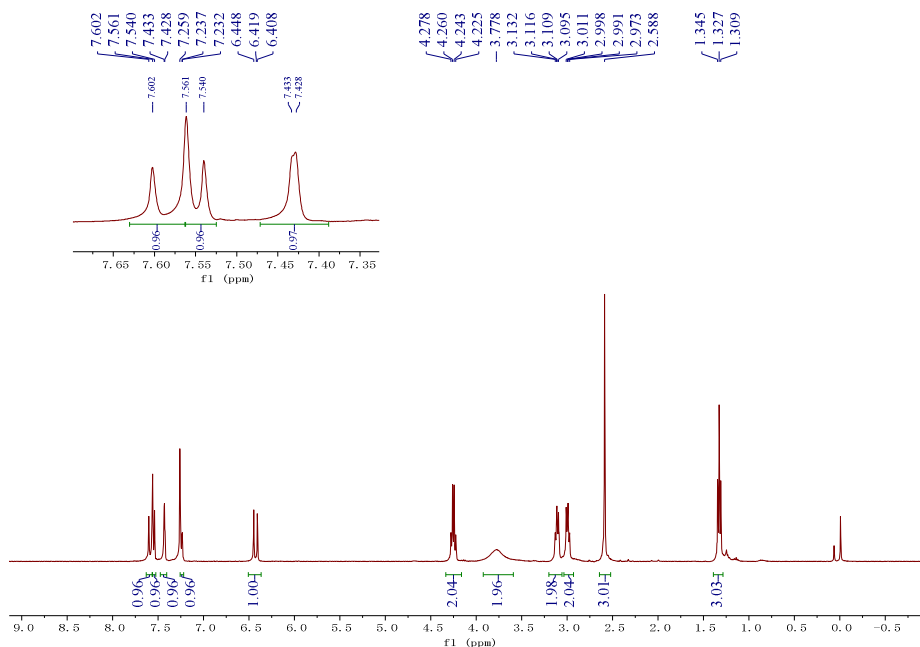
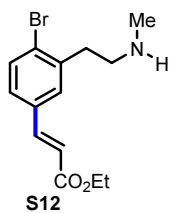




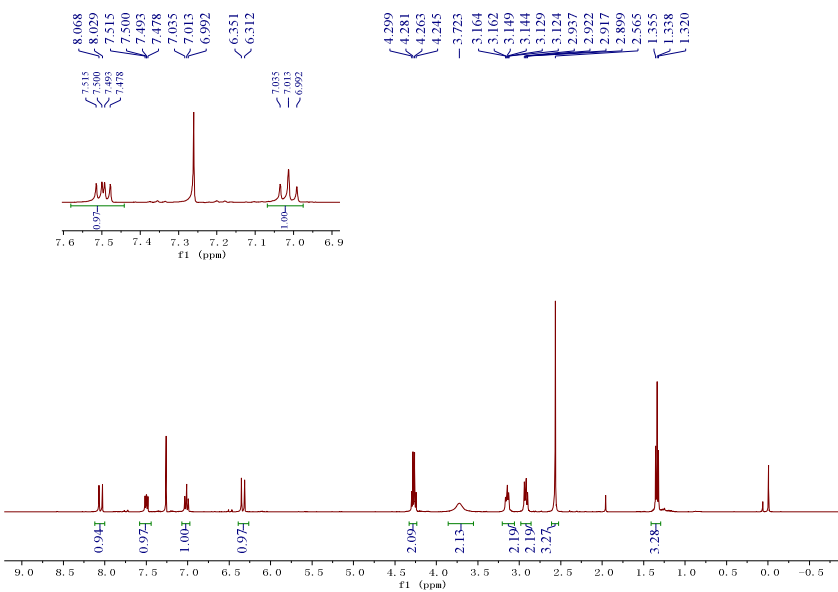
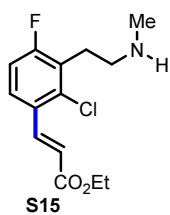
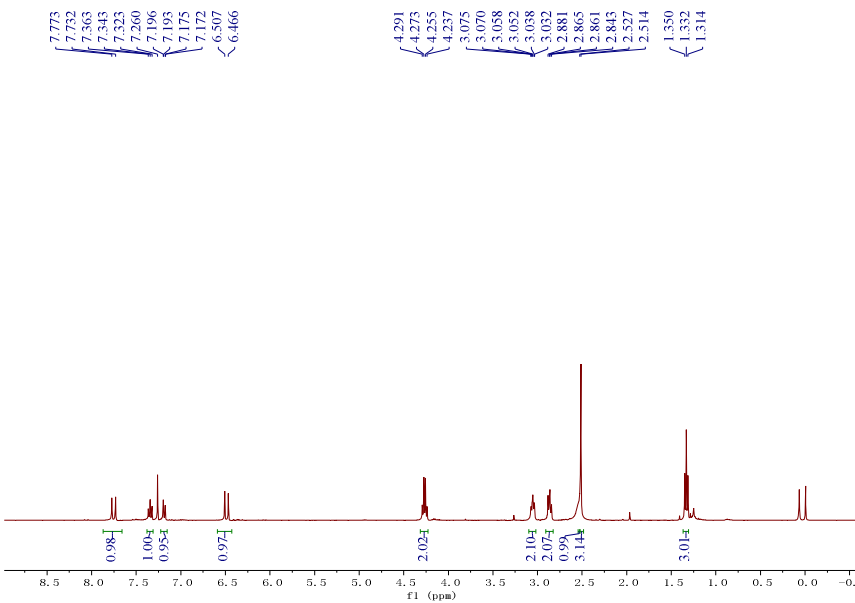
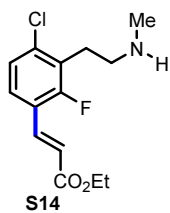


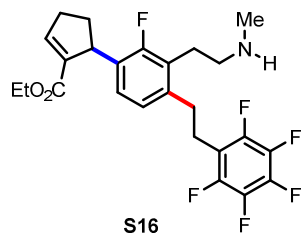




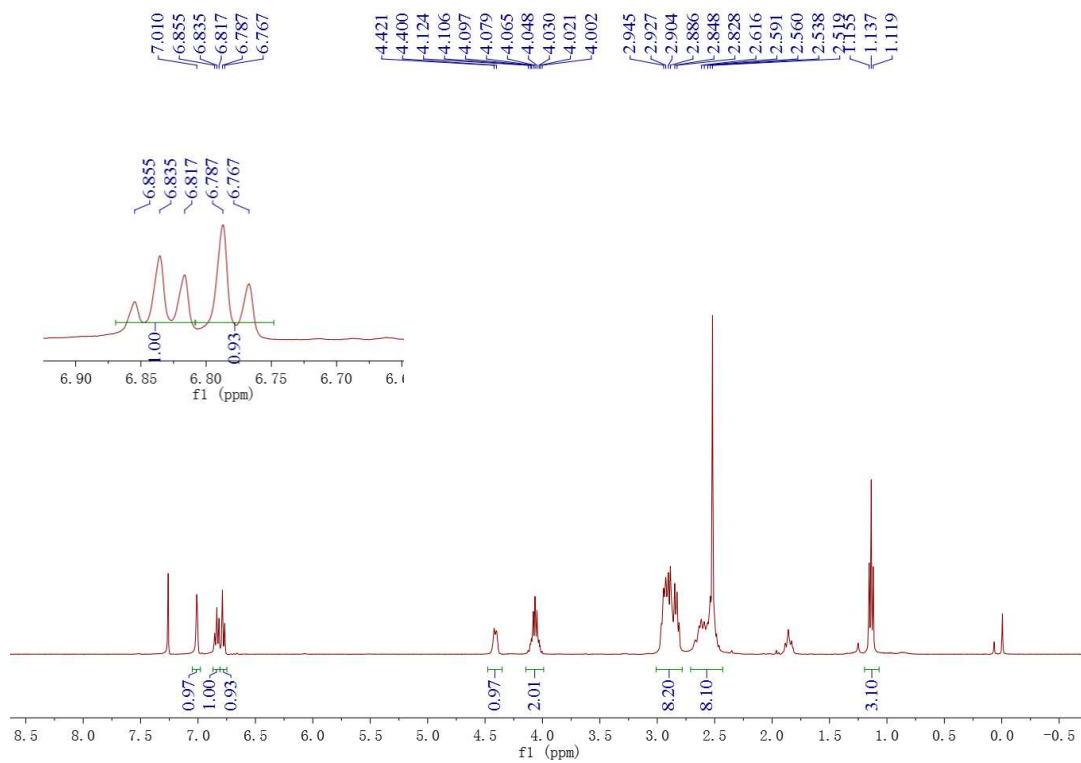


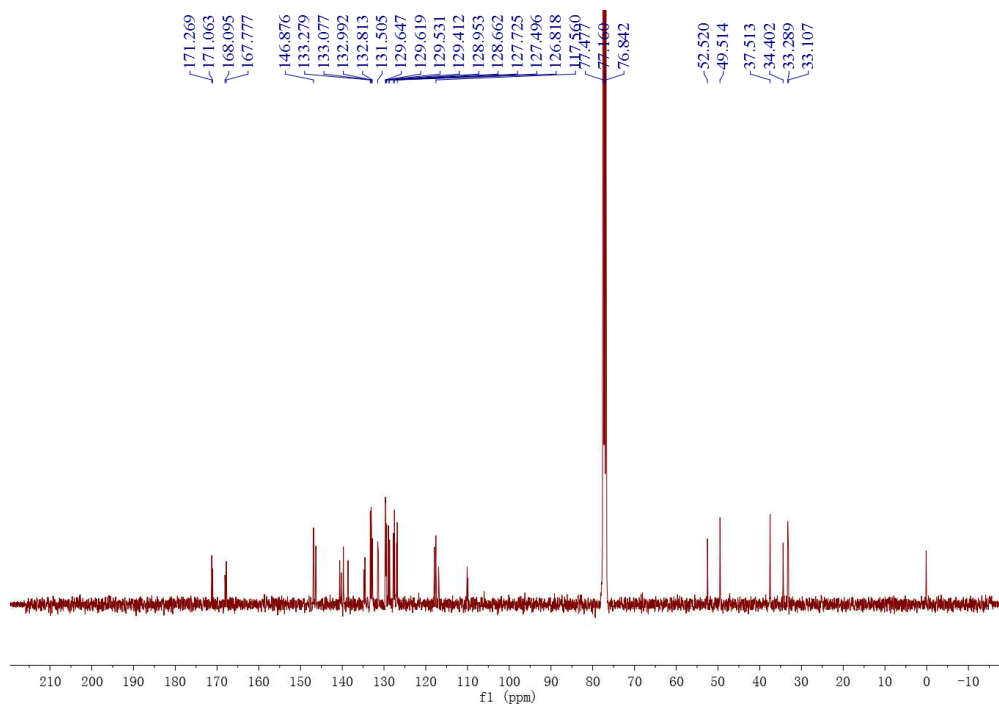
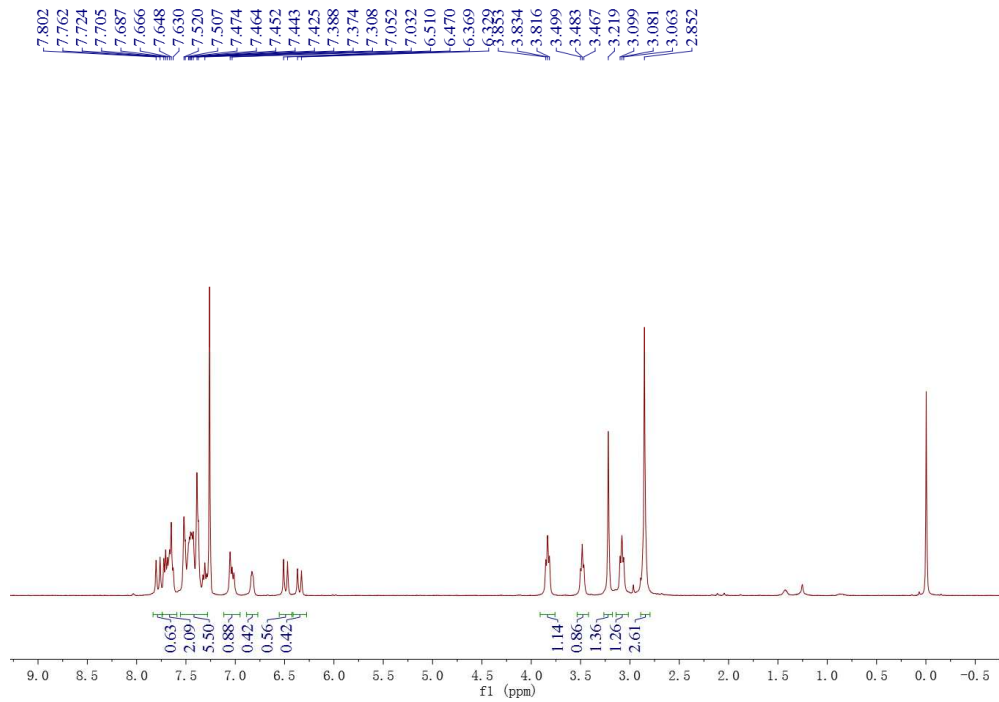
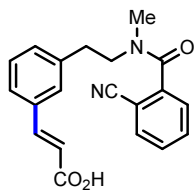
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4. X-Ray Crystallography data for 1a' (CCDC 1056709) and S17 (CCDC 1406595)

1a' (CCDC 1056709):

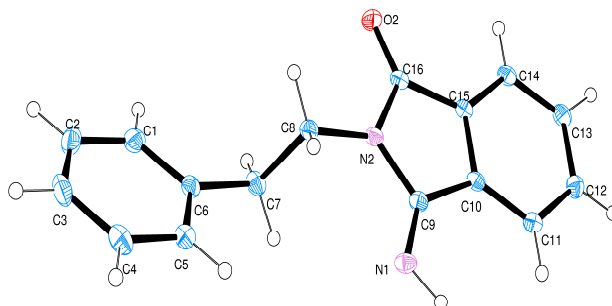


Table S1. Crystal data and structure refinement for Compound **1a'**.

Identification code	Compound-1a	
Empirical formula	C16 H14 N2 O	
Formula weight	250.29	
Temperature	100.0(2) K	
Wavelength	1.54184 Å	
Crystal system	Monoclinic	
Space group	P 21/n	
Unit cell dimensions	a = 13.4616(3) Å	$\alpha = 90^\circ$.
	b = 4.95900(10) Å	$\beta = 93.710(2)^\circ$.
	c = 19.7696(5) Å	$\gamma = 90^\circ$.
Volume	1316.98(5) Å ³	
Z	4	
Density (calculated)	1.262 Mg/m ³	
Absorption coefficient	0.637 mm ⁻¹	
F(000)	528	
Crystal size	0.120 x 0.030 x 0.020 mm ³	
Theta range for data collection	3.859 to 73.251°.	
Index ranges	-15 ≤ h ≤ 16, -3 ≤ k ≤ 5, -20 ≤ l ≤ 24	
Reflections collected	4354	
Independent reflections	2540 [R(int) = 0.0222]	
Completeness to theta = 67.684°	99.9 %	
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents	
Max. and min. transmission	1.00000 and 0.87424	
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²	

Data / restraints / parameters	2540 / 0 / 176
Goodness-of-fit on F^2	1.042
Final R indices [$I > 2\sigma(I)$]	R1 = 0.0368, wR2 = 0.0911
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0474, wR2 = 0.0986
Extinction coefficient	n/a
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.211 and -0.205 e.Å ⁻³

Table S2. Atomic coordinates ($\times 10^4$) and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ($\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$) for Ig-003_a. U(eq) is defined as one third of the trace of the orthogonalized U^{ij} tensor.

	x	y	z	U(eq)
O(2)	6167(1)	5269(2)	6691(1)	26(1)
N(1)	3017(1)	2771(2)	7234(1)	22(1)
N(2)	4512(1)	4401(2)	6853(1)	19(1)
C(1)	3362(1)	8744(3)	4795(1)	27(1)
C(2)	2802(1)	10768(3)	4462(1)	32(1)
C(3)	1881(1)	11453(3)	4677(1)	33(1)
C(4)	1514(1)	10119(3)	5223(1)	32(1)
C(5)	2073(1)	8106(3)	5555(1)	27(1)
C(6)	3004(1)	7395(3)	5348(1)	22(1)
C(7)	3614(1)	5276(3)	5733(1)	24(1)
C(8)	4060(1)	6445(3)	6403(1)	20(1)
C(9)	3962(1)	2696(3)	7252(1)	18(1)
C(10)	4707(1)	1037(3)	7653(1)	18(1)
C(11)	4585(1)	-984(3)	8126(1)	21(1)
C(12)	5446(1)	-2135(3)	8433(1)	23(1)
C(13)	6390(1)	-1270(3)	8277(1)	23(1)
C(14)	6506(1)	756(3)	7799(1)	21(1)
C(15)	5647(1)	1864(3)	7490(1)	18(1)
C(16)	5531(1)	4030(3)	6971(1)	19(1)

Table S3. Bond lengths [Å] and angles [°] for lg-003_a.

O(2)-C(16)	1.2162(16)
N(1)-C(9)	1.2713(16)
N(1)-H(1N)	0.937(19)
N(2)-C(16)	1.3889(15)
N(2)-C(9)	1.4007(17)
N(2)-C(8)	1.4554(16)
C(1)-C(6)	1.3940(19)
C(1)-C(2)	1.394(2)
C(1)-H(1)	0.9500
C(2)-C(3)	1.378(2)
C(2)-H(2)	0.9500
C(3)-C(4)	1.384(2)
C(3)-H(3)	0.9500
C(4)-C(5)	1.389(2)
C(4)-H(4)	0.9500
C(5)-C(6)	1.3904(19)
C(5)-H(5)	0.9500
C(6)-C(7)	1.5081(19)
C(7)-C(8)	1.5331(18)
C(7)-H(7A)	0.9900
C(7)-H(7B)	0.9900
C(8)-H(8A)	0.9900
C(8)-H(8B)	0.9900
C(9)-C(10)	1.4855(18)
C(10)-C(15)	1.3880(17)
C(10)-C(11)	1.3878(19)
C(11)-C(12)	1.3950(18)
C(11)-H(11)	0.9500
C(12)-C(13)	1.3961(19)
C(12)-H(12)	0.9500
C(13)-C(14)	1.394(2)
C(13)-H(13)	0.9500
C(14)-C(15)	1.3852(18)
C(14)-H(14)	0.9500
C(15)-C(16)	1.4867(19)

C(9)-N(1)-H(1N)	111.5(11)
C(16)-N(2)-C(9)	112.16(11)
C(16)-N(2)-C(8)	124.34(11)
C(9)-N(2)-C(8)	123.37(10)
C(6)-C(1)-C(2)	120.79(14)
C(6)-C(1)-H(1)	119.6
C(2)-C(1)-H(1)	119.6
C(3)-C(2)-C(1)	120.10(14)
C(3)-C(2)-H(2)	119.9
C(1)-C(2)-H(2)	119.9
C(2)-C(3)-C(4)	119.74(14)
C(2)-C(3)-H(3)	120.1
C(4)-C(3)-H(3)	120.1
C(3)-C(4)-C(5)	120.17(14)
C(3)-C(4)-H(4)	119.9
C(5)-C(4)-H(4)	119.9
C(4)-C(5)-C(6)	120.93(13)
C(4)-C(5)-H(5)	119.5
C(6)-C(5)-H(5)	119.5
C(5)-C(6)-C(1)	118.27(13)
C(5)-C(6)-C(7)	119.96(12)
C(1)-C(6)-C(7)	121.74(13)
C(6)-C(7)-C(8)	110.03(11)
C(6)-C(7)-H(7A)	109.7
C(8)-C(7)-H(7A)	109.7
C(6)-C(7)-H(7B)	109.7
C(8)-C(7)-H(7B)	109.7
H(7A)-C(7)-H(7B)	108.2
N(2)-C(8)-C(7)	112.95(11)
N(2)-C(8)-H(8A)	109.0
C(7)-C(8)-H(8A)	109.0
N(2)-C(8)-H(8B)	109.0
C(7)-C(8)-H(8B)	109.0
H(8A)-C(8)-H(8B)	107.8
N(1)-C(9)-N(2)	122.07(12)
N(1)-C(9)-C(10)	132.16(12)
N(2)-C(9)-C(10)	105.77(10)
C(15)-C(10)-C(11)	121.25(12)

C(15)-C(10)-C(9)	107.89(11)
C(11)-C(10)-C(9)	130.85(11)
C(10)-C(11)-C(12)	117.26(12)
C(10)-C(11)-H(11)	121.4
C(12)-C(11)-H(11)	121.4
C(11)-C(12)-C(13)	121.35(13)
C(11)-C(12)-H(12)	119.3
C(13)-C(12)-H(12)	119.3
C(14)-C(13)-C(12)	121.00(12)
C(14)-C(13)-H(13)	119.5
C(12)-C(13)-H(13)	119.5
C(15)-C(14)-C(13)	117.23(12)
C(15)-C(14)-H(14)	121.4
C(13)-C(14)-H(14)	121.4
C(14)-C(15)-C(10)	121.90(13)
C(14)-C(15)-C(16)	129.66(12)
C(10)-C(15)-C(16)	108.44(11)
O(2)-C(16)-N(2)	125.01(12)
O(2)-C(16)-C(15)	129.27(12)
N(2)-C(16)-C(15)	105.72(10)

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms:

Table S4. Anisotropic displacement parameters ($\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$) for Ig-003_a. 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}
O(2)	18(1)	32(1)	29(1)	5(1)	2(1)	-5(1)
N(1)	14(1)	20(1)	30(1)	-1(1)	2(1)	1(1)
N(2)	14(1)	19(1)	23(1)	0(1)	-1(1)	-1(1)
C(1)	30(1)	28(1)	23(1)	-3(1)	1(1)	-6(1)
C(2)	49(1)	26(1)	21(1)	3(1)	-5(1)	-10(1)
C(3)	42(1)	24(1)	29(1)	0(1)	-16(1)	2(1)
C(4)	25(1)	37(1)	33(1)	-2(1)	-6(1)	5(1)
C(5)	24(1)	31(1)	26(1)	4(1)	-1(1)	-2(1)
C(6)	25(1)	19(1)	21(1)	-2(1)	-4(1)	-2(1)
C(7)	26(1)	21(1)	25(1)	-3(1)	-4(1)	2(1)
C(8)	19(1)	17(1)	24(1)	1(1)	-2(1)	0(1)
C(9)	17(1)	16(1)	21(1)	-3(1)	0(1)	0(1)
C(10)	16(1)	17(1)	20(1)	-4(1)	-1(1)	1(1)
C(11)	18(1)	21(1)	23(1)	-3(1)	1(1)	-1(1)
C(12)	25(1)	22(1)	22(1)	1(1)	0(1)	2(1)
C(13)	18(1)	26(1)	24(1)	-1(1)	-3(1)	5(1)
C(14)	14(1)	25(1)	25(1)	-1(1)	-1(1)	1(1)
C(15)	16(1)	20(1)	19(1)	-3(1)	0(1)	0(1)
C(16)	15(1)	21(1)	22(1)	-4(1)	-1(1)	-1(1)

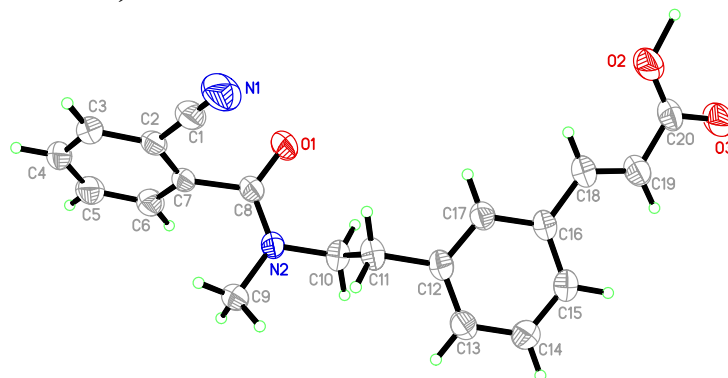
S17 (CCDC 1406595):

Table 1. Crystal data and structure refinement for 1_a.

Identification code	compound-1	
Empirical formula	C ₂₀ H ₁₈ N ₂ O ₃	
Formula weight	334.36	
Temperature	293(2) K	
Wavelength	0.71073 Å	
Crystal system	Monoclinic	
Space group	C 2/c	
Unit cell dimensions	a = 33.970(16) Å	α = 90°.
	b = 6.299(3) Å	β = 92.257(8)°.
	c = 16.431(8) Å	γ = 90°.
Volume	3513(3) Å ³	
Z	8	
Density (calculated)	1.264 Mg/m ³	
Absorption coefficient	0.086 mm ⁻¹	
F(000)	1408	
Crystal size	0.200 x 0.180 x 0.150 mm ³	
Theta range for data collection	2.400 to 27.516°.	
Index ranges	-44 ≤ h ≤ 42, -8 ≤ k ≤ 8, -20 ≤ l ≤ 21	
Reflections collected	12961	
Independent reflections	4016 [R(int) = 0.0269]	
Completeness to theta = 25.242°	99.7 %	
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents	
Max. and min. transmission	1.0000 and 0.9560	
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²	
Data / restraints / parameters	4016 / 0 / 230	

Goodness-of-fit on F^2	1.090
Final R indices [$I > 2\sigma(I)$]	R1 = 0.0586, wR2 = 0.1406
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0856, wR2 = 0.1579
Extinction coefficient	n/a
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.202 and -0.178 e. \AA^{-3}

Table 2. Atomic coordinates ($\times 10^4$) and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ($\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$) for 1_a. $U(\text{eq})$ is defined as one third of the trace of the orthogonalized U^{ij} tensor.

	x	y	z	U(eq)
O(1)	6374(1)	358(3)	4870(1)	100(1)
O(2)	5338(1)	548(3)	9311(1)	91(1)
O(3)	4831(1)	2477(3)	9675(1)	92(1)
N(1)	7374(1)	36(4)	5463(1)	97(1)
N(2)	6407(1)	3734(2)	4426(1)	51(1)
C(1)	7270(1)	70(3)	4796(1)	65(1)
C(2)	7135(1)	118(3)	3949(1)	51(1)
C(3)	7372(1)	-688(3)	3355(1)	62(1)
C(4)	7239(1)	-648(3)	2551(1)	68(1)
C(5)	6876(1)	156(3)	2344(1)	66(1)
C(6)	6640(1)	968(3)	2932(1)	60(1)
C(7)	6768(1)	960(3)	3743(1)	49(1)
C(8)	6499(1)	1682(3)	4398(1)	58(1)
C(9)	6603(1)	5366(3)	3965(1)	62(1)
C(10)	6134(1)	4463(3)	5033(1)	57(1)
C(11)	6344(1)	5200(3)	5814(1)	58(1)
C(12)	6052(1)	5940(3)	6419(1)	52(1)
C(13)	5885(1)	7952(3)	6357(1)	58(1)
C(14)	5618(1)	8629(3)	6919(1)	62(1)
C(15)	5510(1)	7305(3)	7541(1)	58(1)
C(16)	5659(1)	5249(3)	7599(1)	52(1)
C(17)	5934(1)	4611(3)	7038(1)	53(1)
C(18)	5535(1)	3720(3)	8211(1)	58(1)
C(19)	5234(1)	3871(4)	8687(1)	65(1)
C(20)	5133(1)	2203(4)	9259(1)	63(1)

Table 3. Bond lengths [Å] and angles [°] for 1_a.

O(1)-C(8)	1.226(2)
O(2)-C(20)	1.254(3)
O(2)-H(2O)	1.26(3)
O(3)-C(20)	1.268(2)
N(1)-C(1)	1.139(3)
N(2)-C(8)	1.331(2)
N(2)-C(9)	1.454(2)
N(2)-C(10)	1.462(2)
C(1)-C(2)	1.448(3)
C(2)-C(3)	1.386(3)
C(2)-C(7)	1.387(3)
C(3)-C(4)	1.380(3)
C(3)-H(3)	0.9500
C(4)-C(5)	1.363(3)
C(4)-H(4)	0.9500
C(5)-C(6)	1.378(3)
C(5)-H(5)	0.9500
C(6)-C(7)	1.385(3)
C(6)-H(6)	0.9500
C(7)-C(8)	1.508(2)
C(9)-H(9A)	0.9800
C(9)-H(9B)	0.9800
C(9)-H(9C)	0.9800
C(10)-C(11)	1.517(3)
C(10)-H(10A)	0.9900
C(10)-H(10B)	0.9900
C(11)-C(12)	1.506(2)
C(11)-H(11A)	0.9900
C(11)-H(11B)	0.9900
C(12)-C(17)	1.387(2)
C(12)-C(13)	1.390(3)
C(13)-C(14)	1.387(3)
C(13)-H(13)	0.9500
C(14)-C(15)	1.380(3)
C(14)-H(14)	0.9500
C(15)-C(16)	1.393(3)

C(15)-H(15)	0.9500
C(16)-C(17)	1.397(2)
C(16)-C(18)	1.467(3)
C(17)-H(17)	0.9500
C(18)-C(19)	1.314(3)
C(18)-H(18)	0.9500
C(19)-C(20)	1.459(3)
C(19)-H(19)	0.9500
C(20)-O(2)-H(20)	122.8(11)
C(8)-N(2)-C(9)	123.76(16)
C(8)-N(2)-C(10)	119.01(15)
C(9)-N(2)-C(10)	116.66(15)
N(1)-C(1)-C(2)	179.6(3)
C(3)-C(2)-C(7)	120.70(16)
C(3)-C(2)-C(1)	119.92(18)
C(7)-C(2)-C(1)	119.38(17)
C(4)-C(3)-C(2)	119.3(2)
C(4)-C(3)-H(3)	120.3
C(2)-C(3)-H(3)	120.3
C(5)-C(4)-C(3)	120.31(18)
C(5)-C(4)-H(4)	119.8
C(3)-C(4)-H(4)	119.8
C(4)-C(5)-C(6)	120.64(18)
C(4)-C(5)-H(5)	119.7
C(6)-C(5)-H(5)	119.7
C(5)-C(6)-C(7)	120.21(19)
C(5)-C(6)-H(6)	119.9
C(7)-C(6)-H(6)	119.9
C(6)-C(7)-C(2)	118.80(16)
C(6)-C(7)-C(8)	120.65(18)
C(2)-C(7)-C(8)	120.35(16)
O(1)-C(8)-N(2)	123.41(18)
O(1)-C(8)-C(7)	118.74(18)
N(2)-C(8)-C(7)	117.85(15)
N(2)-C(9)-H(9A)	109.5
N(2)-C(9)-H(9B)	109.5
H(9A)-C(9)-H(9B)	109.5

N(2)-C(9)-H(9C)	109.5
H(9A)-C(9)-H(9C)	109.5
H(9B)-C(9)-H(9C)	109.5
N(2)-C(10)-C(11)	112.59(15)
N(2)-C(10)-H(10A)	109.1
C(11)-C(10)-H(10A)	109.1
N(2)-C(10)-H(10B)	109.1
C(11)-C(10)-H(10B)	109.1
H(10A)-C(10)-H(10B)	107.8
C(12)-C(11)-C(10)	110.68(15)
C(12)-C(11)-H(11A)	109.5
C(10)-C(11)-H(11A)	109.5
C(12)-C(11)-H(11B)	109.5
C(10)-C(11)-H(11B)	109.5
H(11A)-C(11)-H(11B)	108.1
C(17)-C(12)-C(13)	118.38(17)
C(17)-C(12)-C(11)	120.85(18)
C(13)-C(12)-C(11)	120.74(17)
C(14)-C(13)-C(12)	120.49(18)
C(14)-C(13)-H(13)	119.8
C(12)-C(13)-H(13)	119.8
C(15)-C(14)-C(13)	120.43(19)
C(15)-C(14)-H(14)	119.8
C(13)-C(14)-H(14)	119.8
C(14)-C(15)-C(16)	120.43(17)
C(14)-C(15)-H(15)	119.8
C(16)-C(15)-H(15)	119.8
C(15)-C(16)-C(17)	118.25(17)
C(15)-C(16)-C(18)	122.90(17)
C(17)-C(16)-C(18)	118.84(18)
C(12)-C(17)-C(16)	121.95(18)
C(12)-C(17)-H(17)	119.0
C(16)-C(17)-H(17)	119.0
C(19)-C(18)-C(16)	127.8(2)
C(19)-C(18)-H(18)	116.1
C(16)-C(18)-H(18)	116.1
C(18)-C(19)-C(20)	122.6(2)
C(18)-C(19)-H(19)	118.7

C(20)-C(19)-H(19)	118.7
O(2)-C(20)-O(3)	122.4(2)
O(2)-C(20)-C(19)	119.91(19)
O(3)-C(20)-C(19)	117.7(2)

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms:

Table 4. Anisotropic displacement parameters ($\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$) for 1_a. 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
O(1)	143(2)	59(1)	105(1)	17(1)	77(1)	0(1)
O(2)	92(1)	100(1)	82(1)	30(1)	40(1)	20(1)
O(3)	83(1)	106(1)	91(1)	29(1)	45(1)	17(1)
N(1)	137(2)	100(2)	54(1)	10(1)	-6(1)	4(1)
N(2)	58(1)	49(1)	48(1)	-2(1)	16(1)	-3(1)
C(1)	85(2)	59(1)	51(1)	7(1)	8(1)	2(1)
C(2)	70(1)	40(1)	44(1)	5(1)	10(1)	-3(1)
C(3)	72(1)	57(1)	58(1)	7(1)	16(1)	11(1)
C(4)	97(2)	57(1)	52(1)	0(1)	27(1)	10(1)
C(5)	96(2)	59(1)	43(1)	-2(1)	3(1)	2(1)
C(6)	69(1)	58(1)	52(1)	3(1)	3(1)	2(1)
C(7)	63(1)	38(1)	46(1)	2(1)	15(1)	-3(1)
C(8)	72(1)	48(1)	55(1)	3(1)	21(1)	-5(1)
C(9)	80(1)	49(1)	59(1)	3(1)	19(1)	-4(1)
C(10)	52(1)	67(1)	52(1)	-9(1)	11(1)	1(1)
C(11)	55(1)	75(1)	46(1)	-1(1)	10(1)	-1(1)
C(12)	52(1)	64(1)	41(1)	-3(1)	5(1)	-6(1)
C(13)	63(1)	62(1)	49(1)	5(1)	7(1)	-5(1)
C(14)	62(1)	60(1)	64(1)	0(1)	6(1)	4(1)
C(15)	55(1)	68(1)	51(1)	-7(1)	10(1)	0(1)
C(16)	52(1)	64(1)	41(1)	-2(1)	7(1)	-7(1)
C(17)	59(1)	56(1)	44(1)	-1(1)	6(1)	-2(1)
C(18)	58(1)	72(1)	44(1)	0(1)	7(1)	-6(1)
C(19)	64(1)	80(2)	52(1)	10(1)	9(1)	2(1)
C(20)	56(1)	85(2)	48(1)	7(1)	11(1)	1(1)

Table 5. Hydrogen coordinates ($\times 10^4$) and isotropic displacement parameters ($\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$) for 1_a.

	x	y	z	U(eq)
H(2O)	5263(7)	-960(40)	9787(16)	109
H(3)	7624	-1263	3500	75
H(4)	7401	-1184	2139	82
H(5)	6785	156	1790	79
H(6)	6388	1536	2780	72
H(9A)	6868	4881	3839	94
H(9B)	6623	6671	4289	94
H(9C)	6451	5646	3457	94
H(10A)	5952	3291	5159	68
H(10B)	5975	5648	4801	68
H(11A)	6502	4018	6052	70
H(11B)	6526	6378	5692	70
H(13)	5954	8869	5926	70
H(14)	5508	10014	6875	74
H(15)	5333	7798	7932	69
H(17)	6043	3225	7080	63
H(18)	5690	2471	8270	70
H(19)	5076	5115	8658	78

Table 6. Hydrogen bonds for 1_a [\AA and $^\circ$].

D-H...A	d(D-H)	d(H...A)	d(D...A)	$\angle(\text{DHA})$
O(2)-H(2O)...O(2)#1	1.26(3)	2.58(3)	3.361(3)	117.7(15)
O(2)-H(2O)...O(3)#1	1.26(3)	1.35(3)	2.610(2)	176(2)

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms:

#1 $-x+1, -y, -z+2$