

Supporting information

Room Temperature N-Alkylation of Amines with Alcohols under UV Irradiation Catalyzed by Cu-Mo/TiO₂

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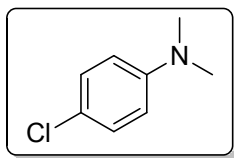
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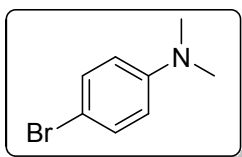
Typical procedure for catalyst preparation: MoO₃ (12 mg) was dissolved with stirring in 1 M NaOH (1 mL) at room temperature until the complete dissolution of MoO₃, then deionized water (30 mL) was added. Following, TiO₂ (0.5 g, P25, J&K Scientific, anatase/rutile =80/20, BET surface, 35-65 m²/g) was dispersed in the solution and CuCl₂ aqueous solution (14 mg/ 5 mL) were added into the solution under vigorous stirring. After the addition of CuCl₂ was completed, the solution was stirred for another 3 h at room temperature. Then NaBH₄ (20 mg) was added to the solution in ice water bath and stirred for 2 h. The solid sample was recovered by centrifugation and washed with water. The obtained solid was dried at 80 °C.

Typical procedure of photocatalytic reaction: amine (0.2 mmol), catalyst (20 mg) and alcohol (5 mL) were added into a glass tube (35 mL). Argon was bubbled through the solution for 5 min. Then the tube was sealed with a rubber cap and photoirradiated by a LED light ($\lambda = 365$ nm) with magnetic stirring at room temperature for 21 h. Subsequently, 10 mg biphenyl and 5 mL ethanol were added for quantitative analysis by GC-FID (Agilent 6890A) and some products were purified by vacuum distillation after removing the catalyst by filtration or flash column chromatography.

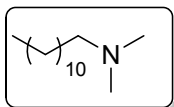
Characterization data of isolated products



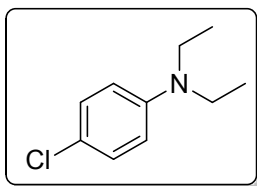
4-chloro-N,N-dimethylaniline¹, brown solid (95%, Entry 3, Table 3) Mp 32-37 °C. The product was separated by vacuum distillation after remove the catalyst by filtration. ¹H NMR (400MHz, CDCl₃): δ=2.92(s, 6H), 6.62-6.64(d, 2H), 7.15-7.17(d, 2H). ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃): 149.2, 128.8, 121.5, 113.7, 40.7; MS (E.I., 70 eV) m/z (rel. int.): 156(36), 155(71), 154(100), 141(20), 140(26), 118(11), 111(11), 77(14).



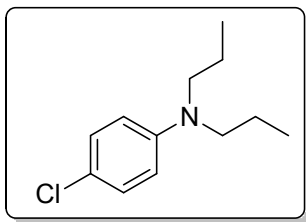
4-bromo-N,N-dimethylaniline², brown solid (80%, Entry 4, Table 3). Mp 53-55 °C. The product was separated by column chromatography (petroleum ether (b.p. 60-90°C)/EtOAc = 24/1). ¹H NMR (400MHz, CDCl₃): δ=2.92(s, 6H), 6.60-6.62(d, 2H), 7.29-7.31(d, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃): 149.5, 131.7, 114.2, 108.6, 40.6; MS (E.I., 70 eV) m/z (rel. int.): 201(90), 200(100), 199(95), 198(99), 185(12), 184(12), 183(13), 118(25), 104(13), 77(15), 50(10), 44(13).



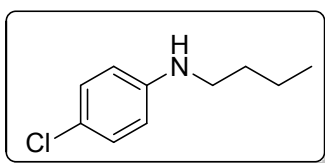
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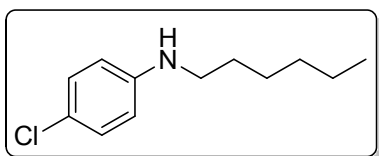
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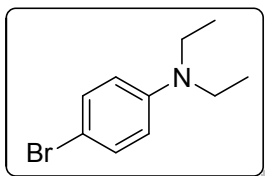
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N-butyl-4-chloroaniline⁶, yellow liquid (90%, Entry 3, Table 4). The product was separated by column chromatography (petroleum ether (b.p. 60-90°C)/EtOAc = 35/1). ¹H NMR (400MHz, CDCl₃): δ=0.93-0.97(t, 3H), 1.37-1.44(m, 2H), 1.56-1.62(m, 2H), 3.05-3.09(t, 2H), 6.52-6.54(d, 2H), 7.10-7.12(d, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃): 146.8, 129.0, 121.9, 113.9, 44.0, 31.5, 20.3, 13.9; MS (E.I., 70 eV) m/z (rel. int.): 185(7), 183(22), 142(33), 141(9), 140(100), 111(5), 105(4), 77(4), 75(5).

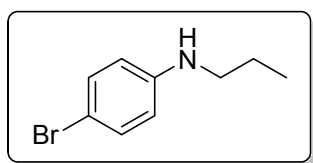


4-chloro-N-hexylaniline⁷, yellow liquid (93%, Entry 4, Table 4). The product was separated by column chromatography (petroleum ether (b.p. 60-90°C)/EtOAc = 35/1). ¹H NMR (400MHz, CDCl₃): δ=0.88-0.91(t, 3H), 1.29-1.49(m, 6H), 1.56-1.64(m, 2H), 3.05-3.08(t, 2H), 3.81(s, 1H), 6.53-6.55(d, 2H), 7.10-7.12(d, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃): 146.7, 129.1, 122.0, 114.0, 44.4, 31.6, 29.3, 26.8, 22.6, 14.0; MS (E.I., 70 eV) m/z (rel. int.): 213(6), 212(3), 211(20), 142(33), 141(9), 140(100), 127(3), 111(4), 105(4), 77(3), 75(3).

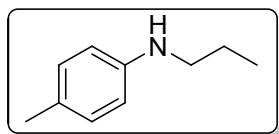


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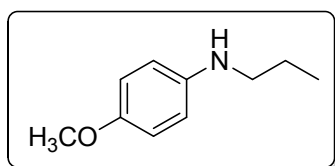
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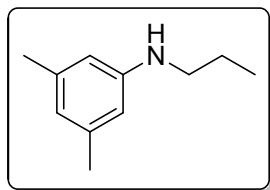
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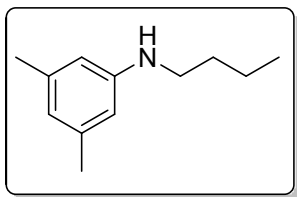
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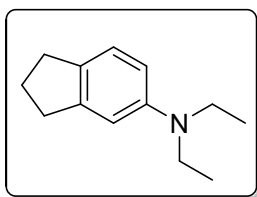
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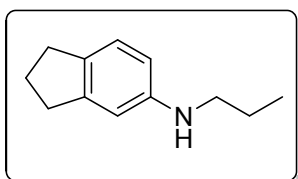
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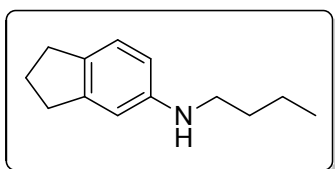
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N,N-diethyl-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-amine, colorless liquid (80%, Entry 11, Table 4). The product was separated by column chromatography (petroleum ether (b.p. 60-90°C)/EtOAc = 24/1). ¹H NMR (400MHz, CDCl₃): δ=1.13-1.16(t, 6H), 2.01-2.06(m, 2H), 2.80-2.86(m, 4H), 3.30-3.35(q, 4H), 6.57-6.68(d, 2H), 7.07-7.09(d, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃): 145.6, 130.9, 128.8, 124.8, 111.2, 109.1, 33.4, 31.9, 25.7, 12.5; MS (E.I., 70 eV) m/z (rel. int.): 190(4), 189(31), 188(4), 175(14), 174(100), 146(13), 117(11), 116(6), 115(12), 91(5).

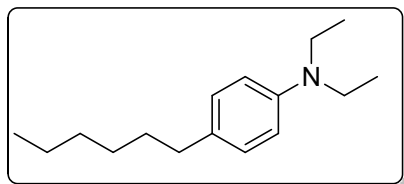


N-propyl-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-amine¹⁴, colorless liquid (78%, Entry 12, Table 4). The product was separated by column chromatography (petroleum ether (b.p. 60-90°C)/EtOAc = 24/1). ¹H NMR (400MHz, CDCl₃): δ=0.97-1.00(t, 3H), 1.58-1.63(m, 2H), 1.99-2.03(m, 2H), 2.77-2.84(m, 4H), 3.04-3.08(t, 2H), 6.41-6.42(d, 1H), 6.53(s, 1H), 7.01-7.02(d, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃): 147.3, 145.4, 132.9, 124.7, 111.3, 109.0, 46.5, 33.2, 31.9, 25.7, 22.8, 11.7; MS (E.I., 70 eV) m/z (rel. int.): 175(26), 147(12), 146(100), 117(7), 115(11), 91(6).

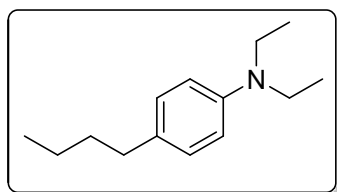


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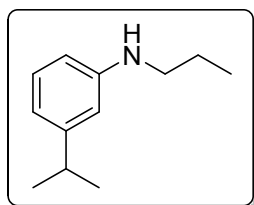
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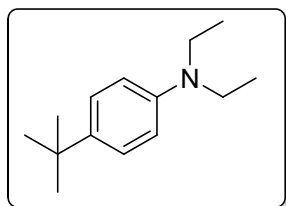
N,N-diethyl-4-hexylaniline, pale yellow liquid (95%, Entry 14, Table 4). The product was separated by column chromatography (petroleum ether (b.p. 60-90°C)/EtOAc = 30/1). ¹H NMR (400MHz, CDCl₃): δ=0.86-0.88(t, 3H), 1.12-1.15(t, 6H), 1.26-1.32(m, 6H), 1.52-1.58(m, 2H), 2.47-2.51(t, 2H), 3.29-3.34(q, 4H), 6.62-6.64(d, 2H), 7.01-7.03(d, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃): 146.0, 129.1, 117.9, 112.4, 44.6, 38.8, 35.0, 31.9, 29.2, 22.7, 14.2, 12.7; MS (E.I., 70 eV) m/z (rel. int.): 233(27), 219(15), 218(100), 207(9), 190(5), 163(6), 162(48), 147(6), 132(8), 118(16), 114(33), 86(8), 73(5), 43(8).



4-butyl-N,N-diethylaniline¹⁶, pale yellow liquid (83%, Entry 15, Table 4). The product was separated by column chromatography (petroleum ether (b.p. 60-90°C)/EtOAc = 30/1). ¹H NMR (400MHz, CDCl₃): δ=0.90-0.94(t, 3H), 1.13-1.17(t, 6H), 1.32-1.36(m, 2H), 1.53-1.56(m, 2H), 2.49-2.53(t, 2H), 3.31-3.36(q, 4H), 6.73-6.75(s, 2H), 7.03-7.05(d, 2H). ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃): 145.9, 129.7, 129.1, 112.4, 44.6, 34.6, 34.0, 22.4, 14.0, 12.6; MS (E.I., 70 eV) m/z (rel. int.): 205(32), 191(15), 190(100), 162(45), 132(8), 118(14), 106(4), 91(4), 77(3).

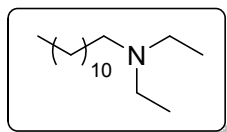


3-isopropyl-N-propylaniline, pale yellow liquid (88%, Entry 16, Table 4). The product was separated by column chromatography (petroleum ether (b.p. 60-90°C)/EtOAc = 40/1). ¹H NMR (400MHz, CDCl₃): δ=0.98-1.02(t, 3H), 1.19-1.24(d, 6H), 1.61-1.67(m, 2H), 2.77-2.83(m, 1H), 3.06-3.10(t, 2H), 6.43-6.45(d, 1H), 6.48(s, 1H), 5.57-6.59(d, 1H), 7.08-7.12(t, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃): 150.1, 148.6, 129.2, 115.5, 111.2, 110.1, 45.9, 34.3, 24.0, 22.8, 11.7; MS (E.I., 70 eV) m/z (rel. int.): 178(3), 177(24), 149(12), 148(100), 133(8), 132(8), 106(5), 91(4), 77(4).

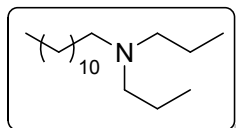


4-(tert-butyl)-N,N-diethylaniline¹⁷, colorless liquid (85%, Entry 17, Table 4). The product was separated by column chromatography (petroleum ether (b.p. 60-90°C)/EtOAc = 24/1). ¹H NMR

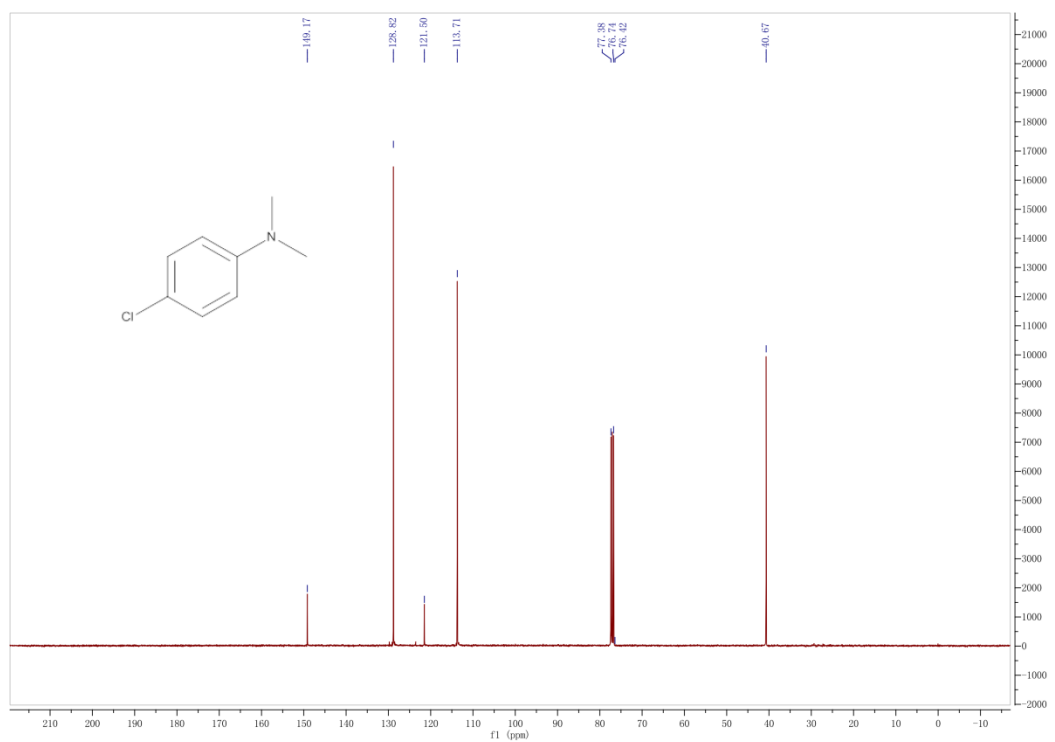
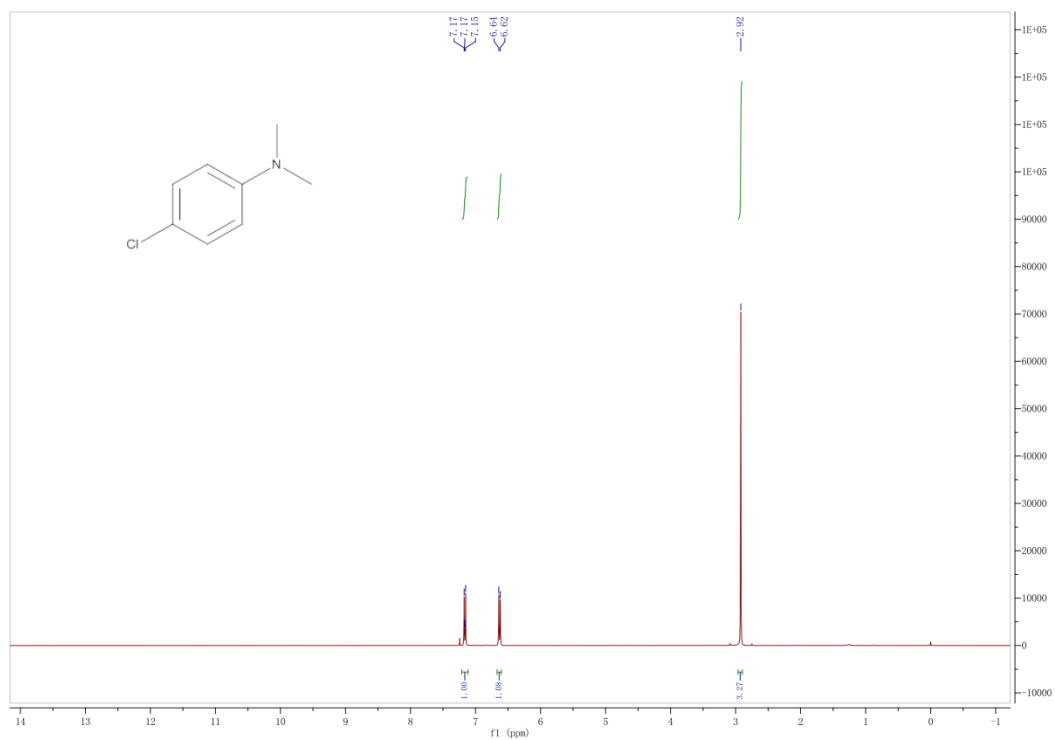
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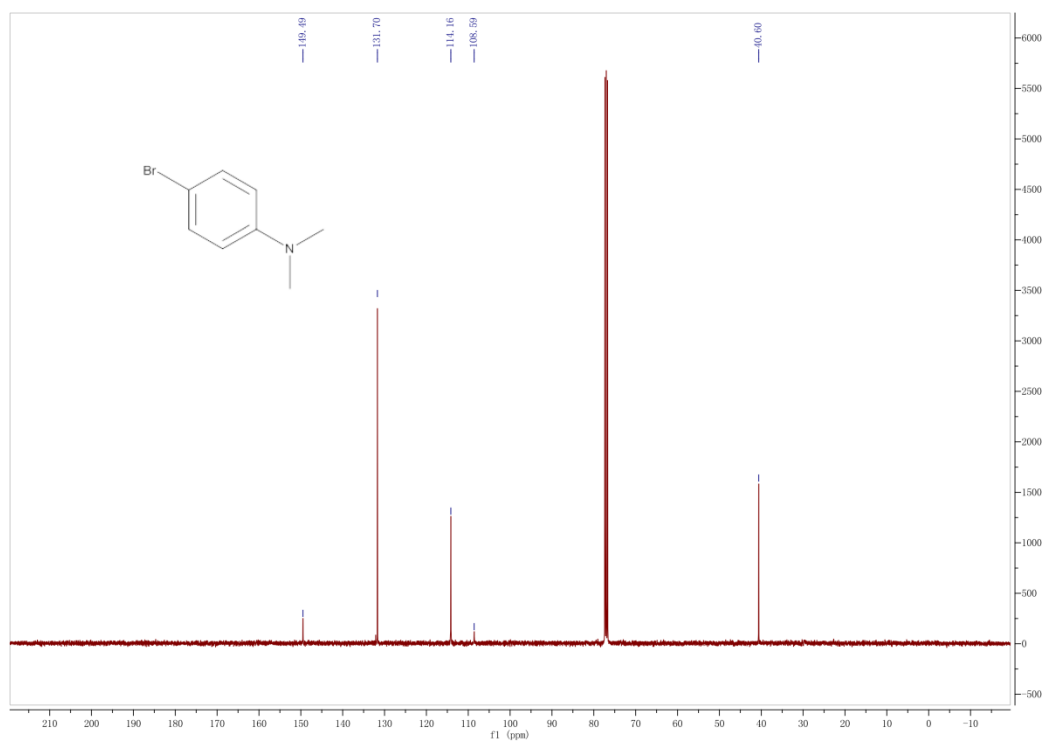
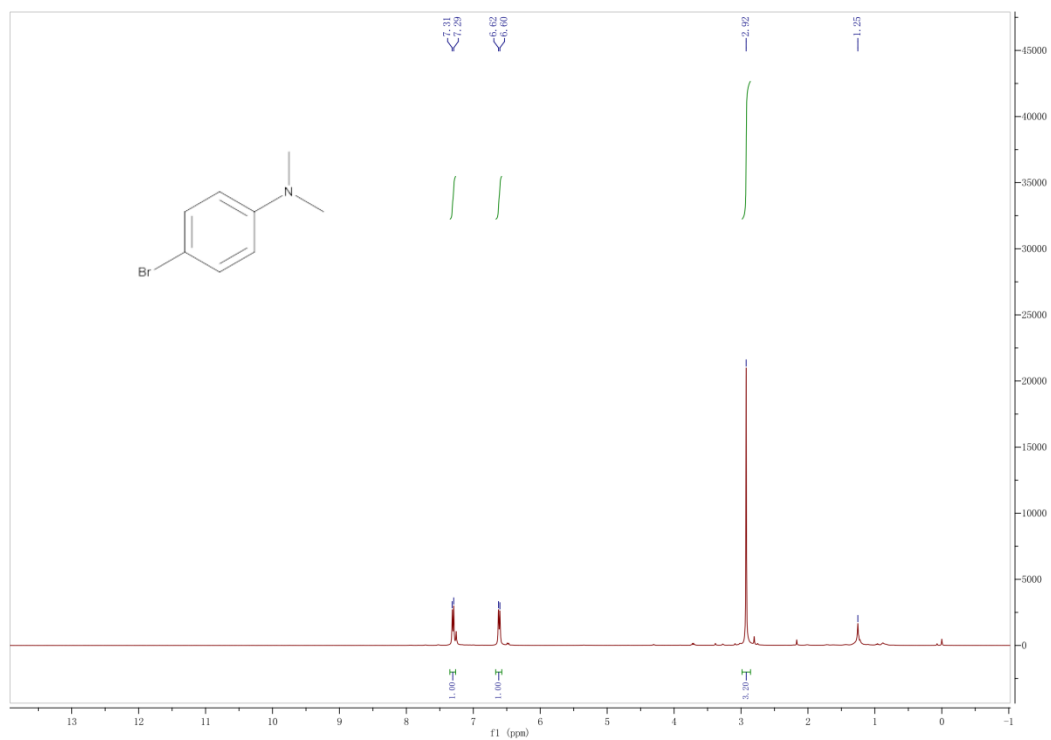


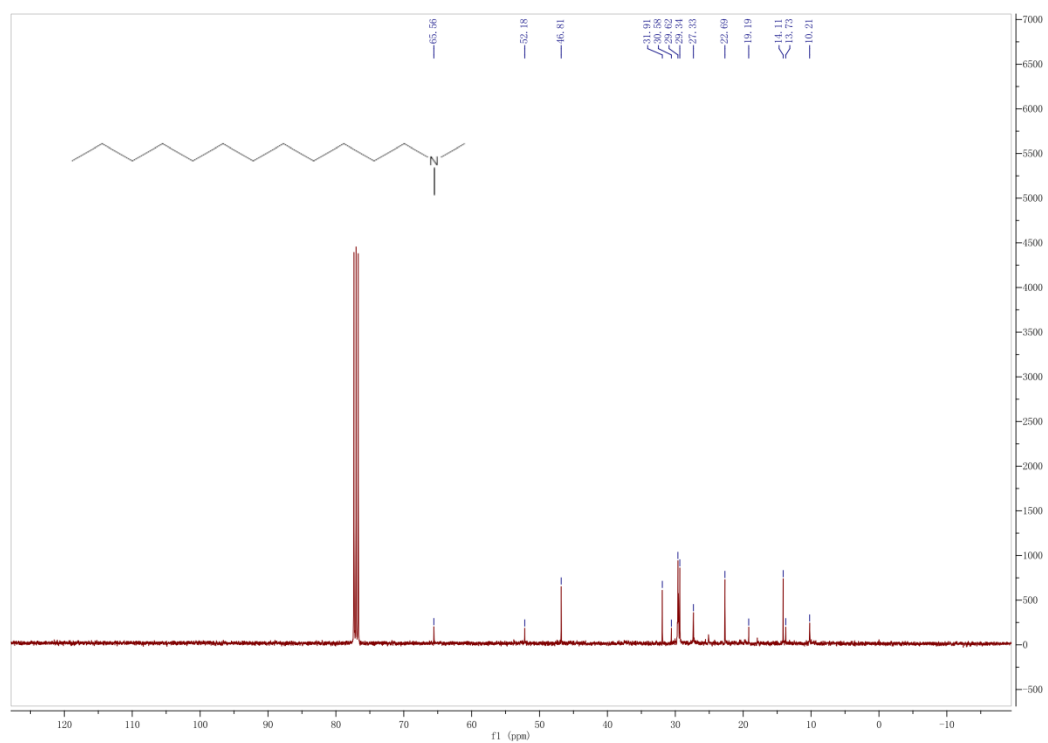
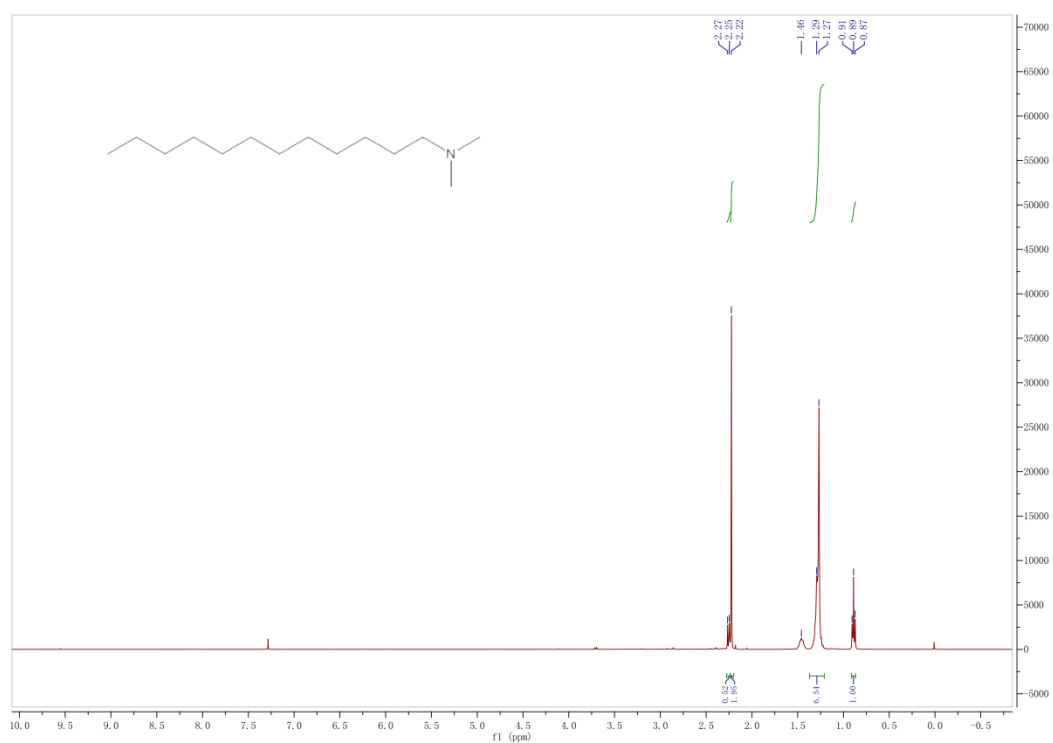
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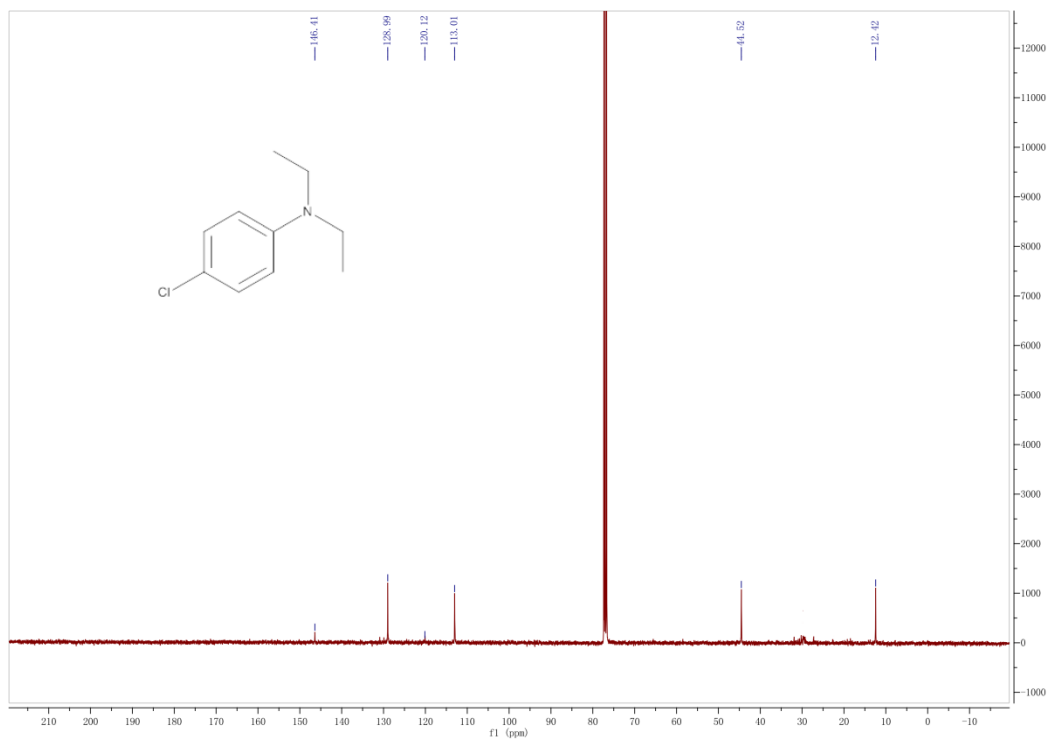
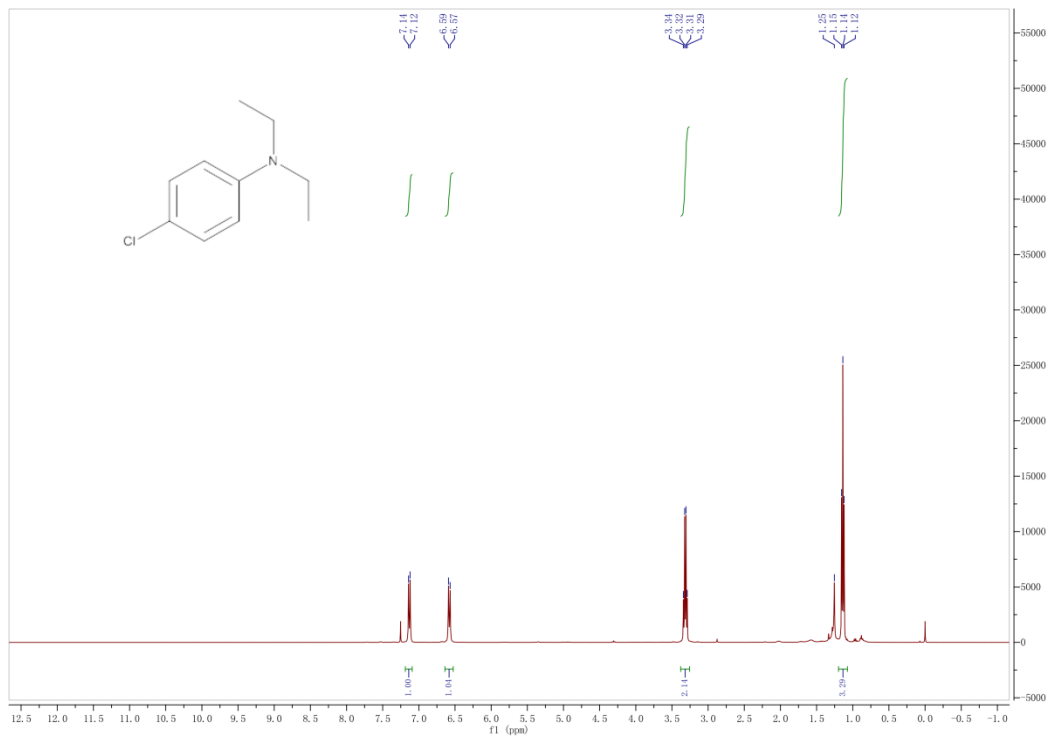


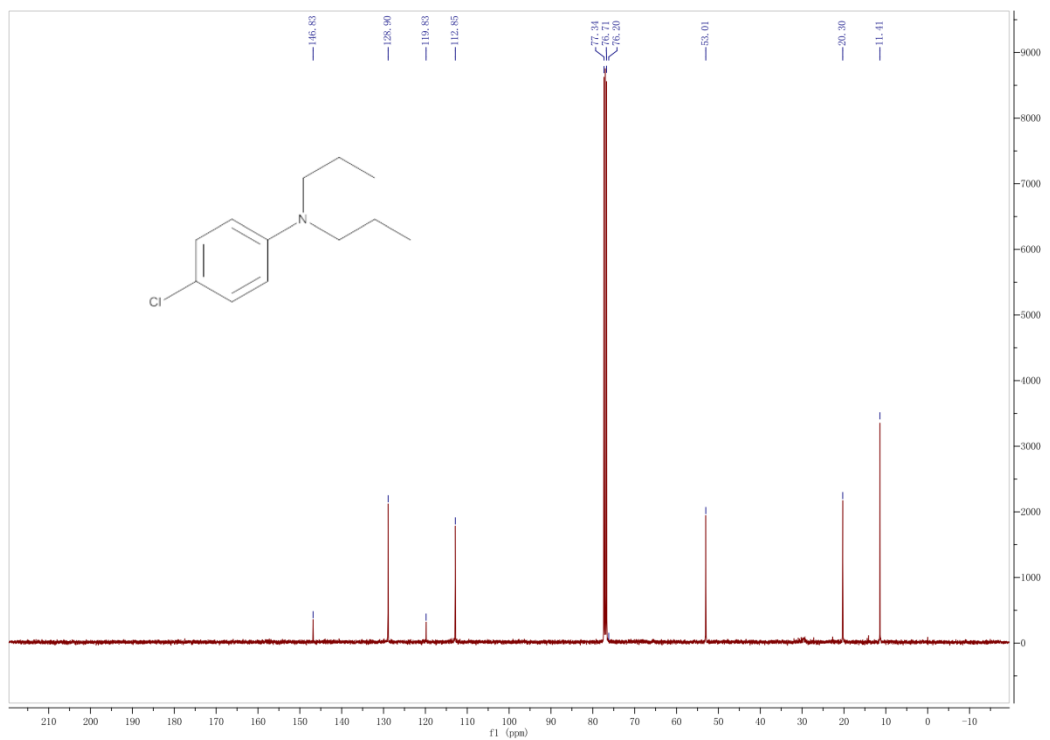
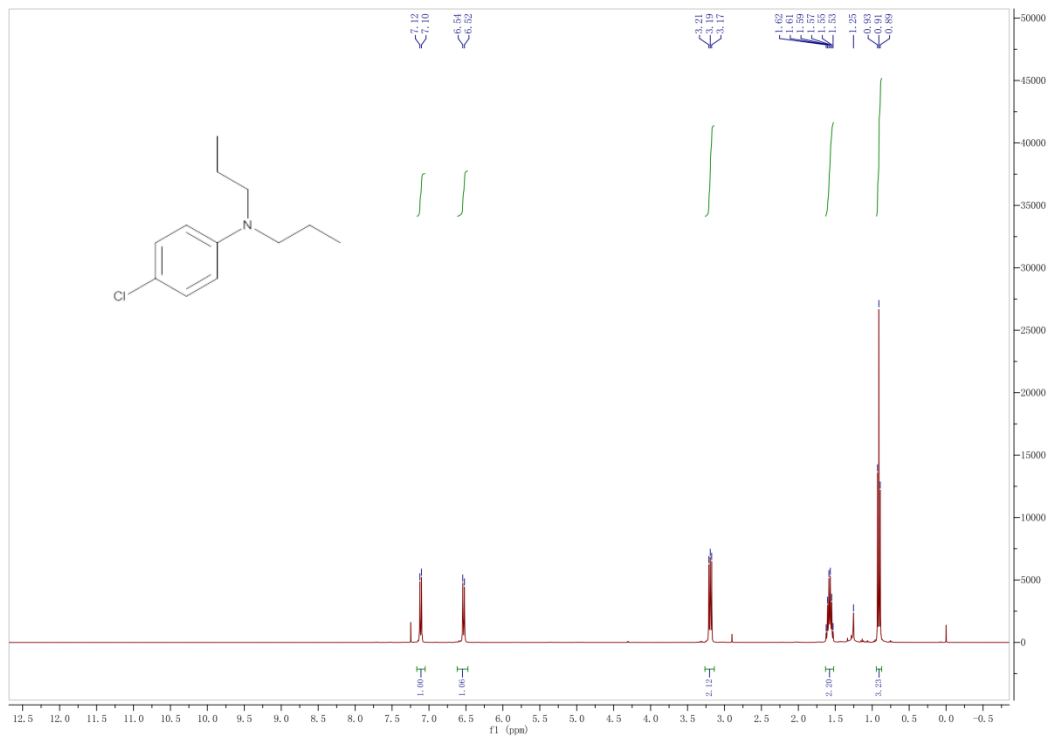
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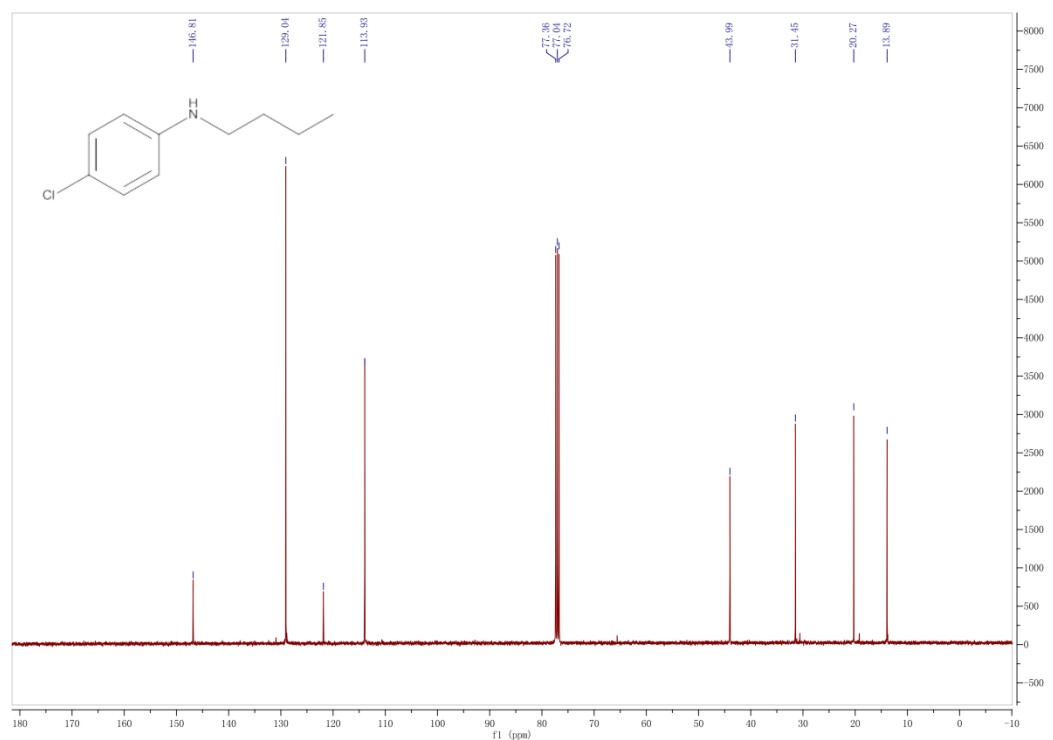
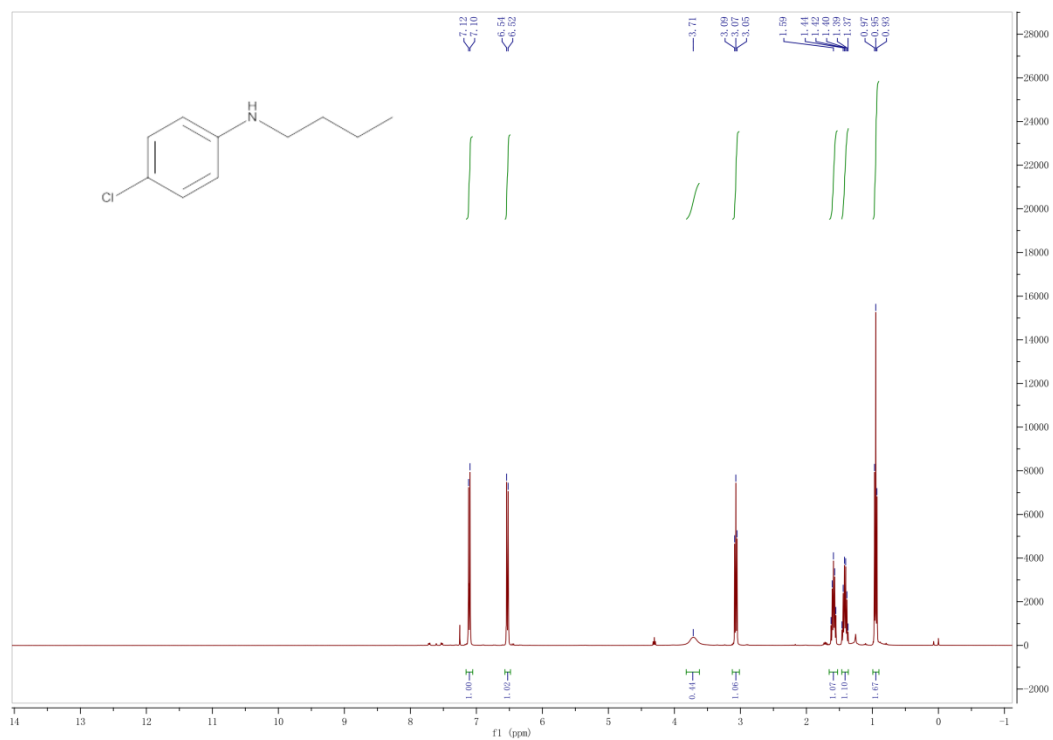


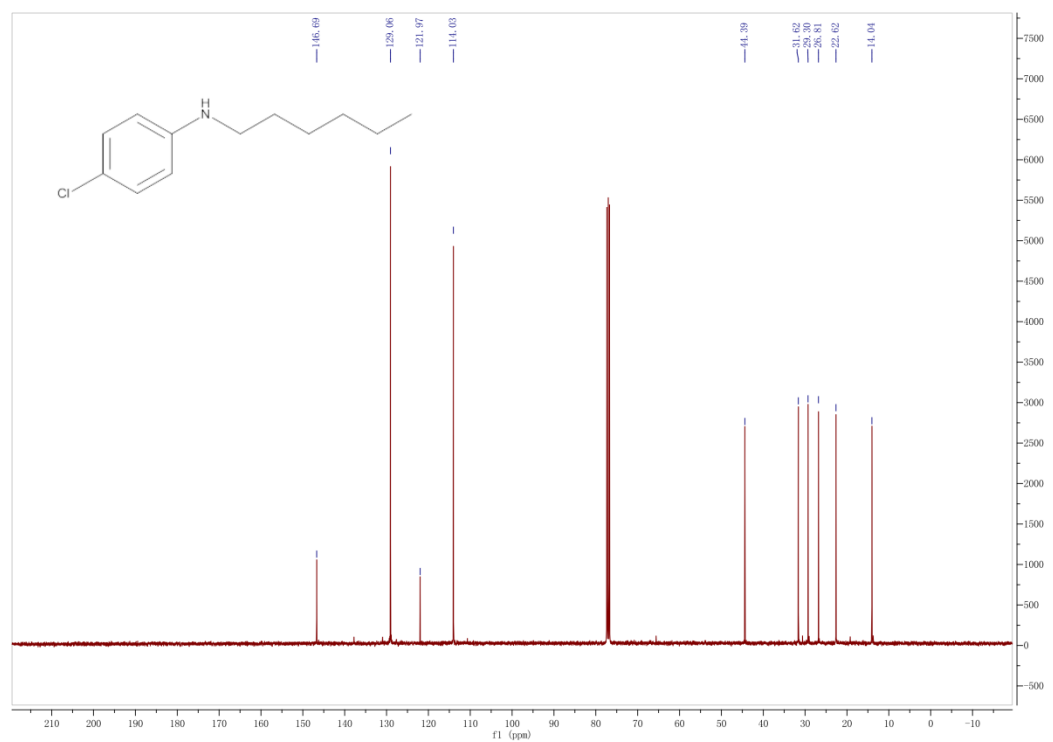
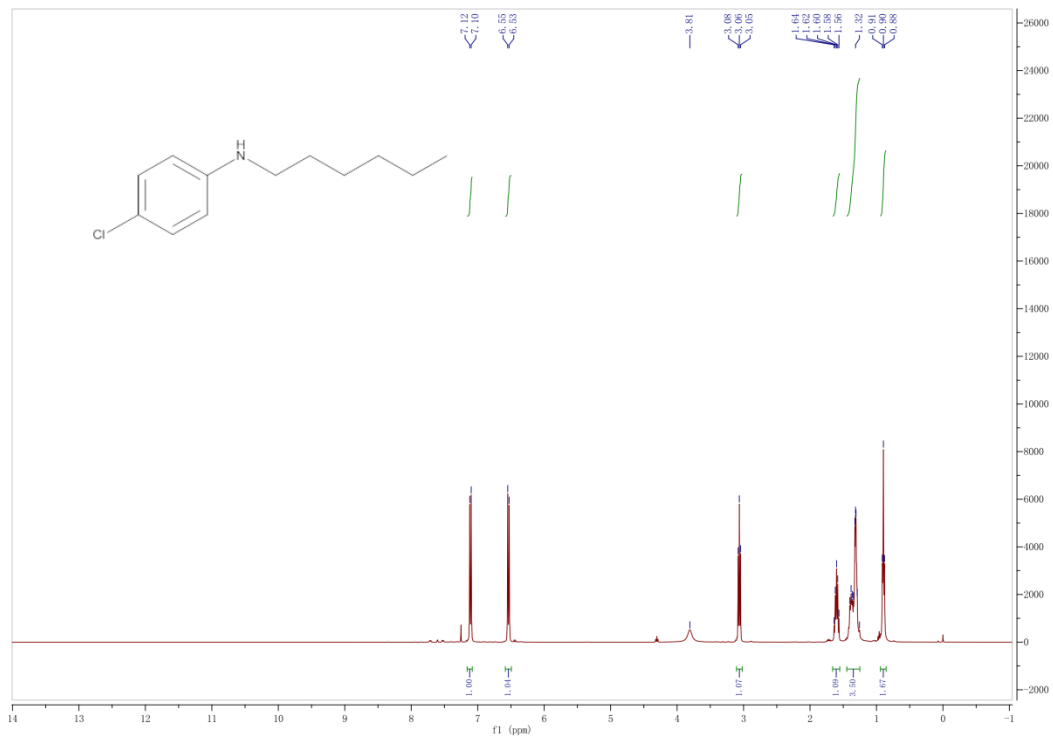


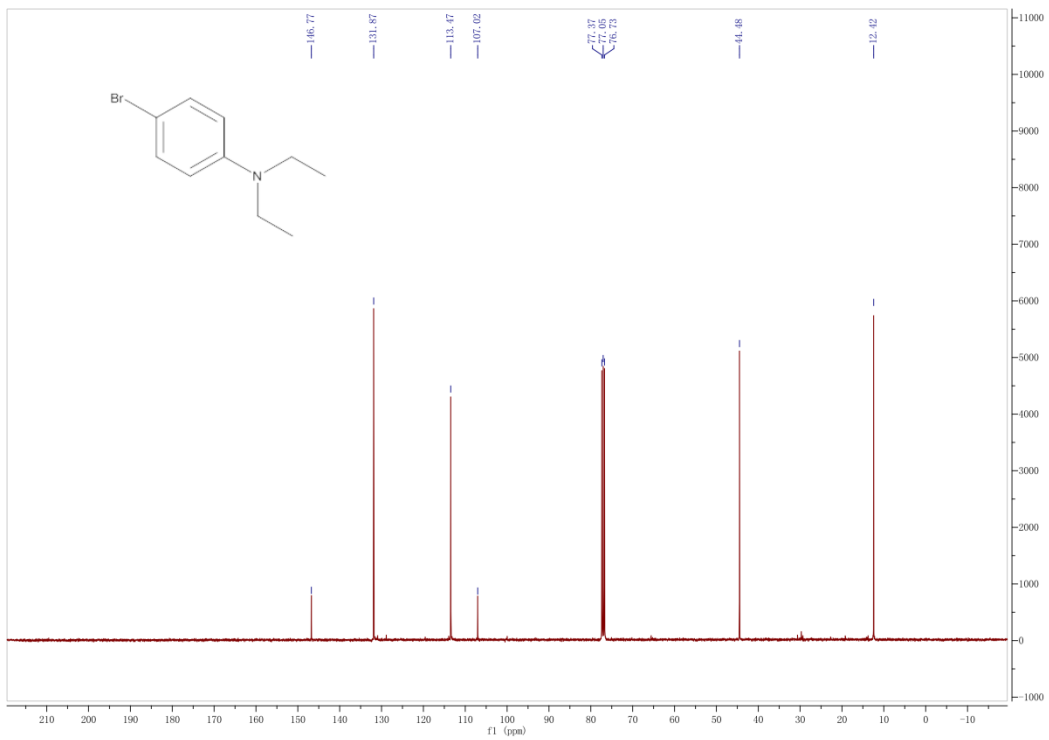
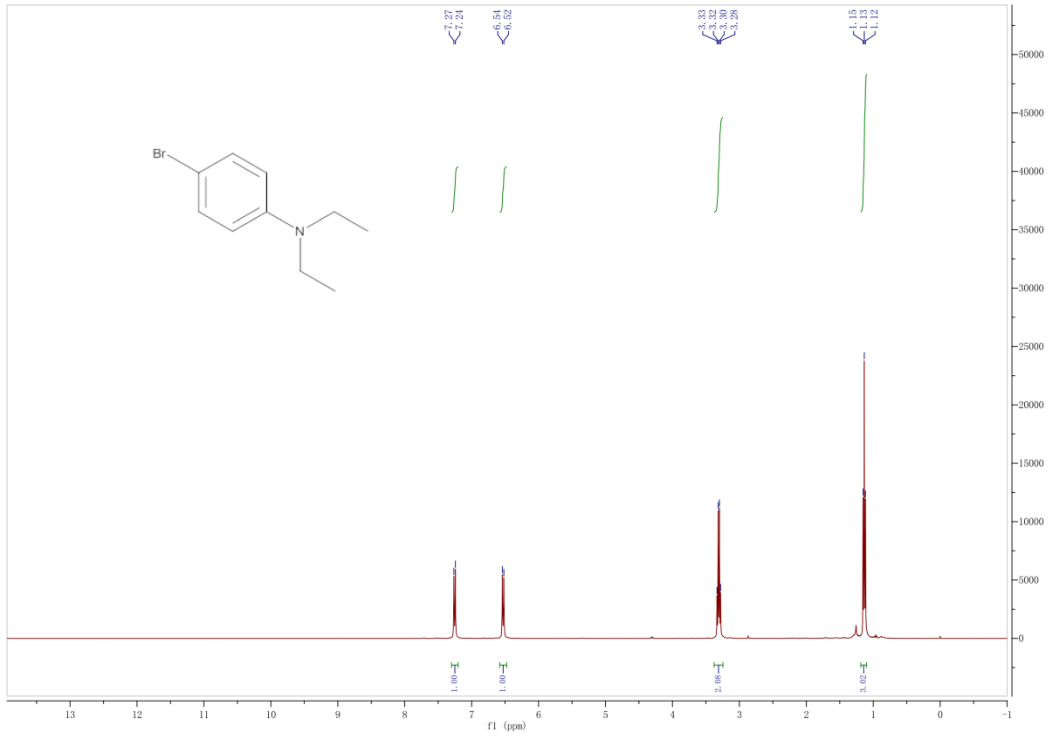


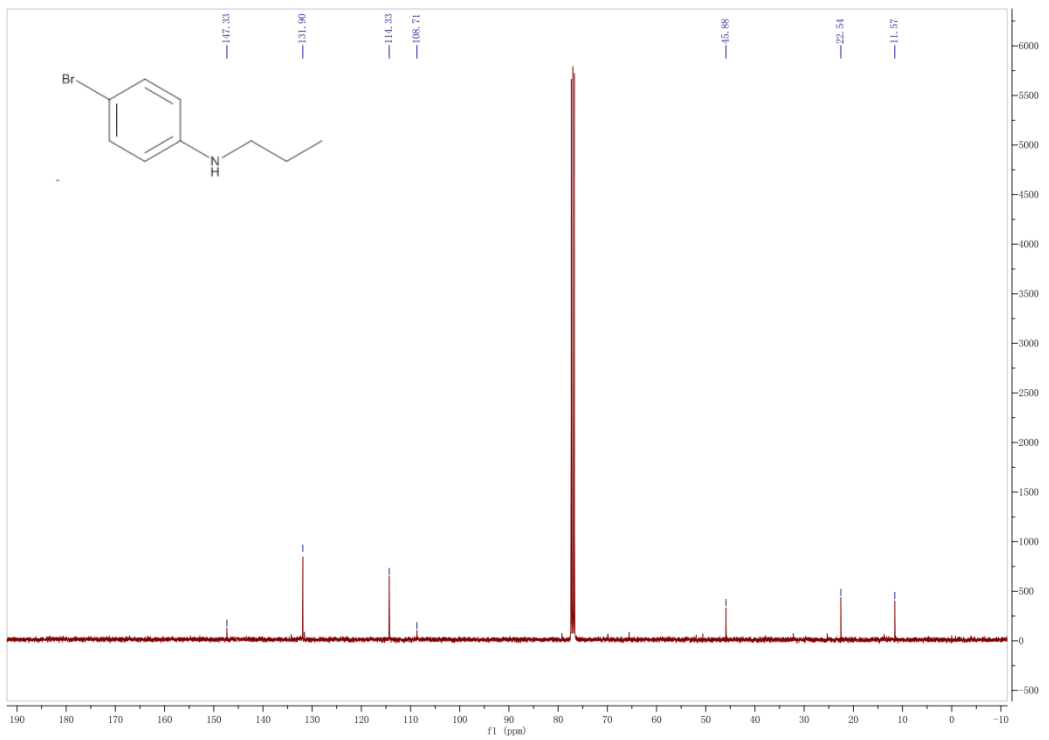
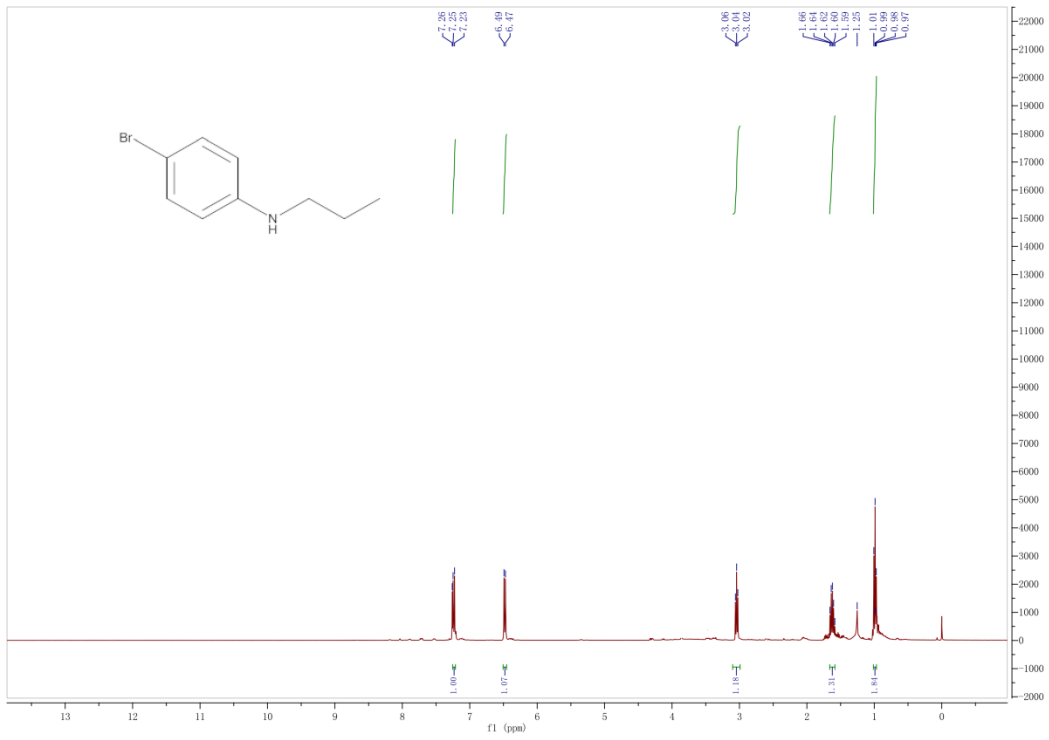


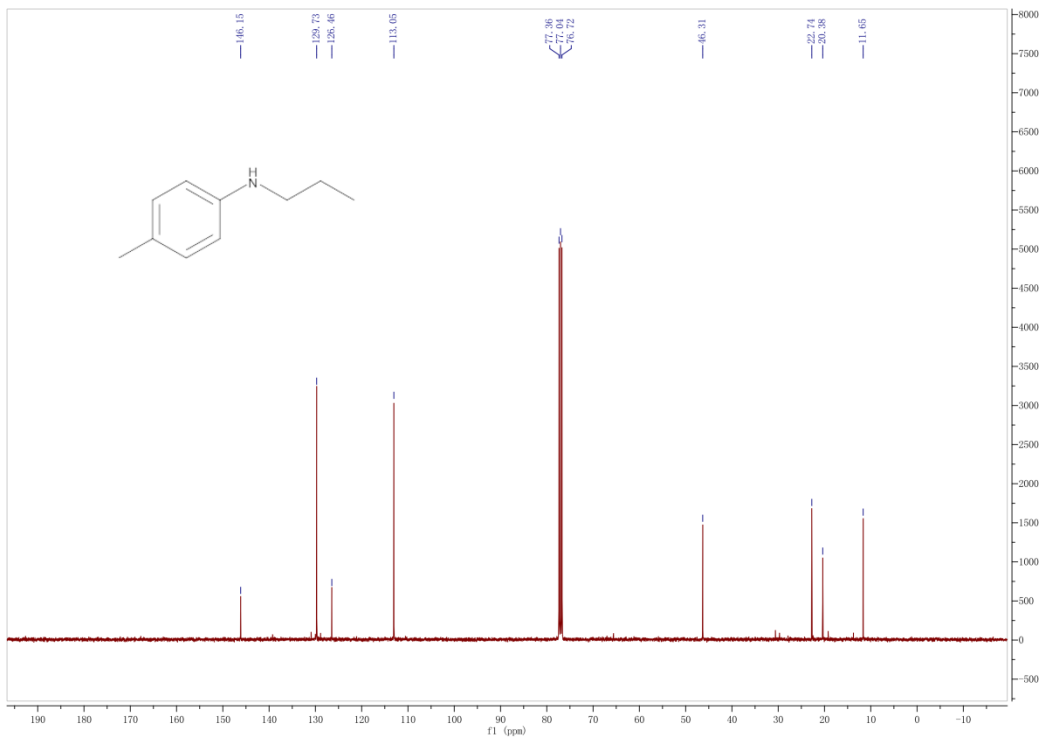
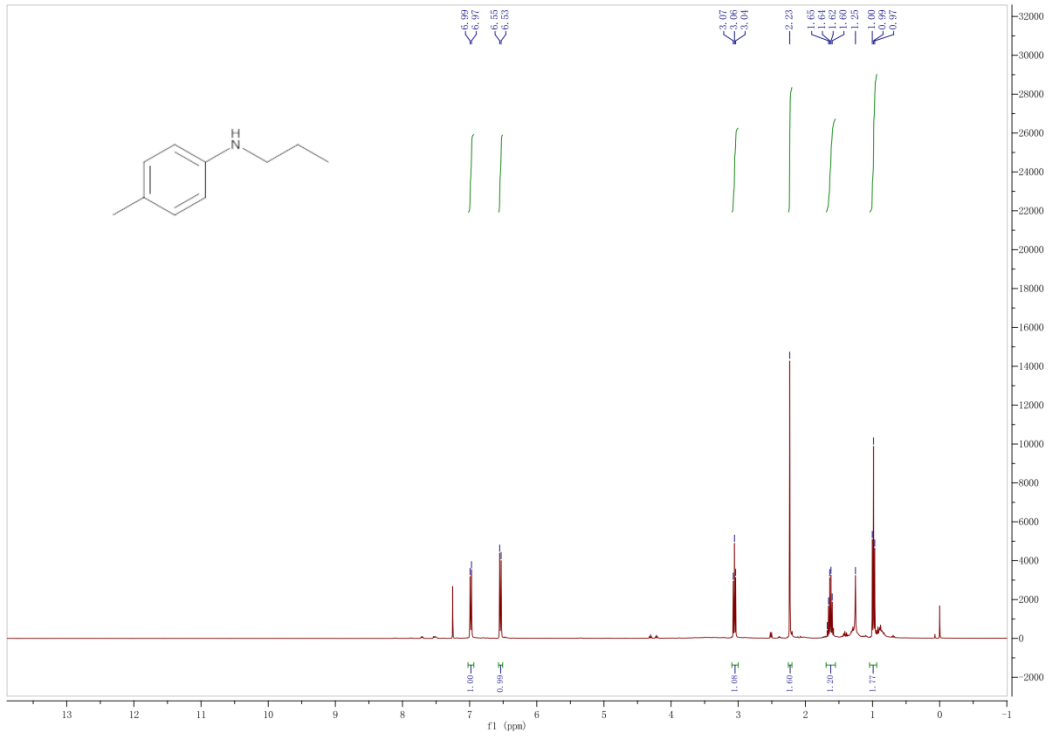


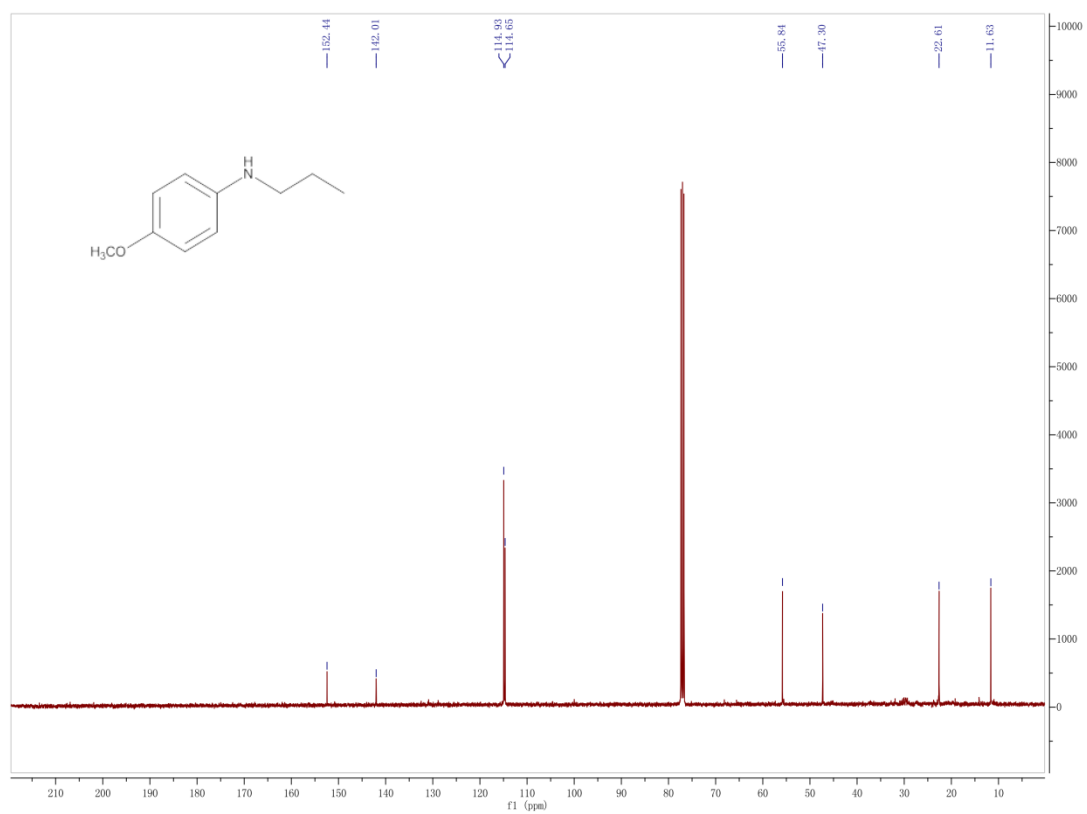
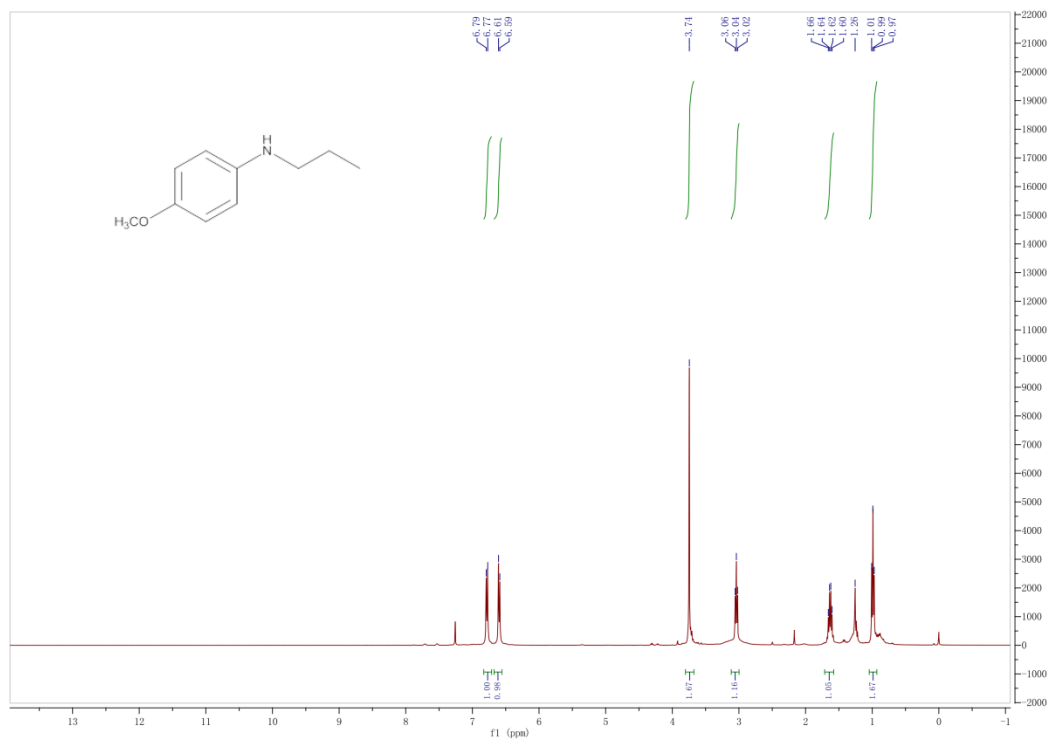


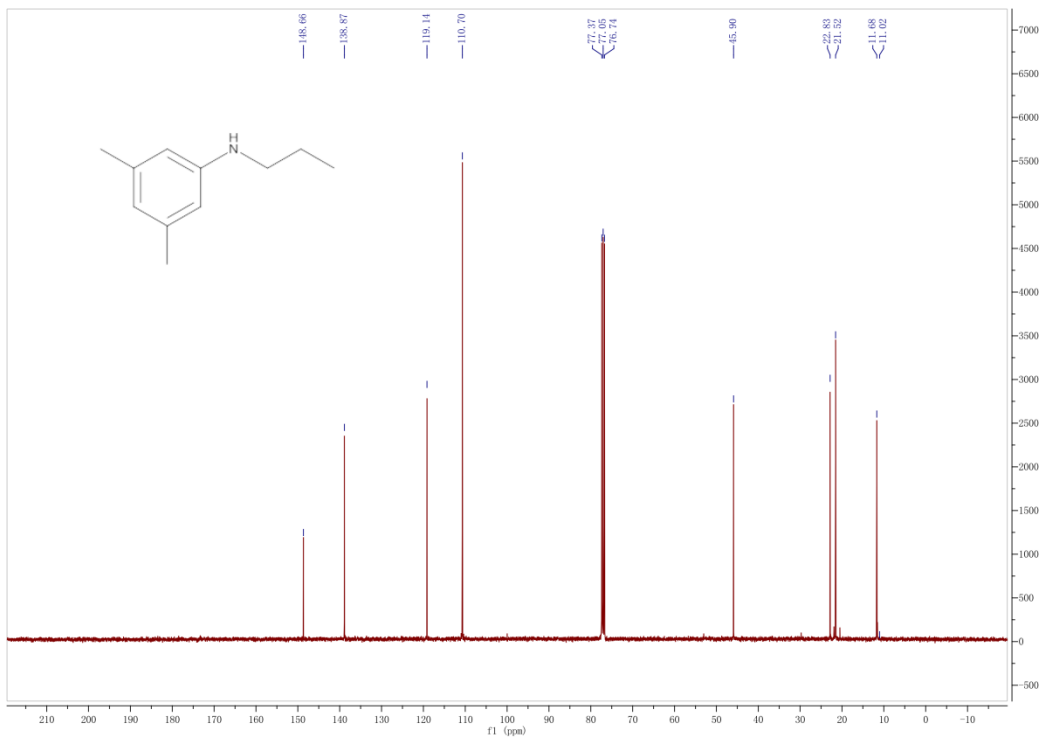
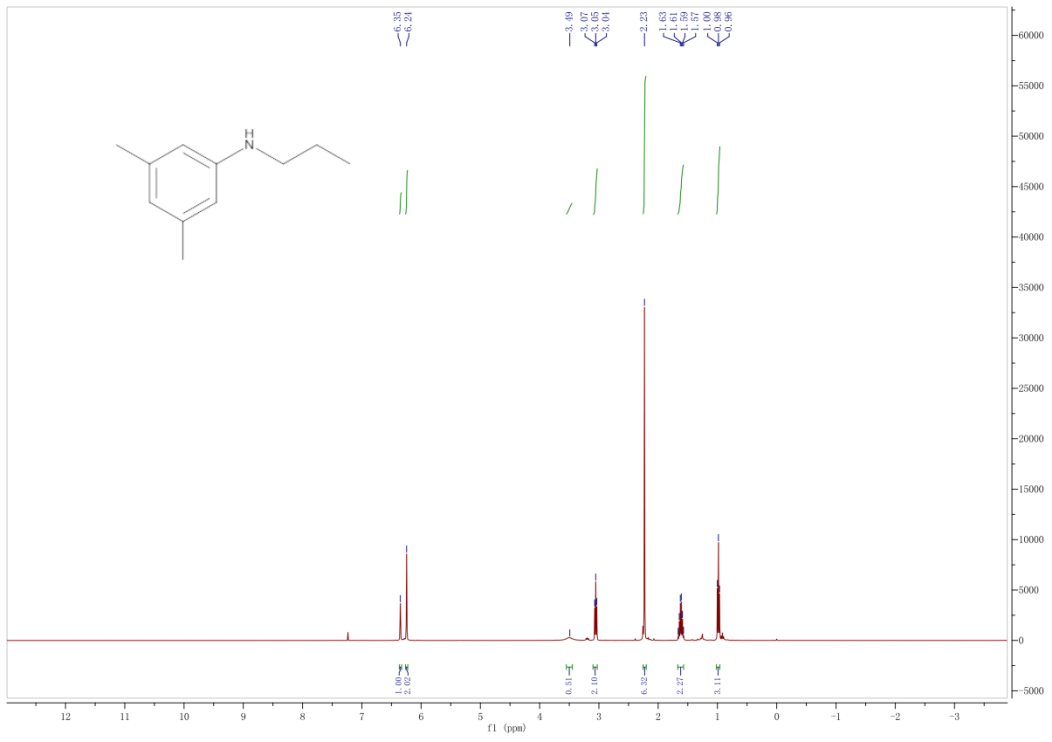


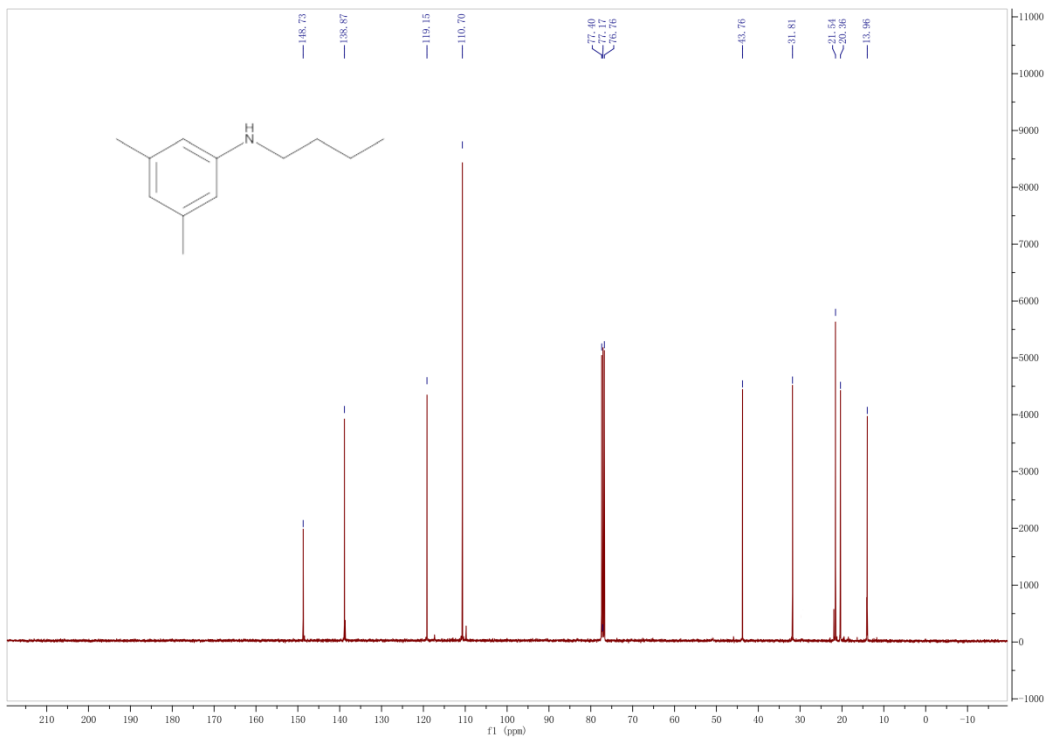
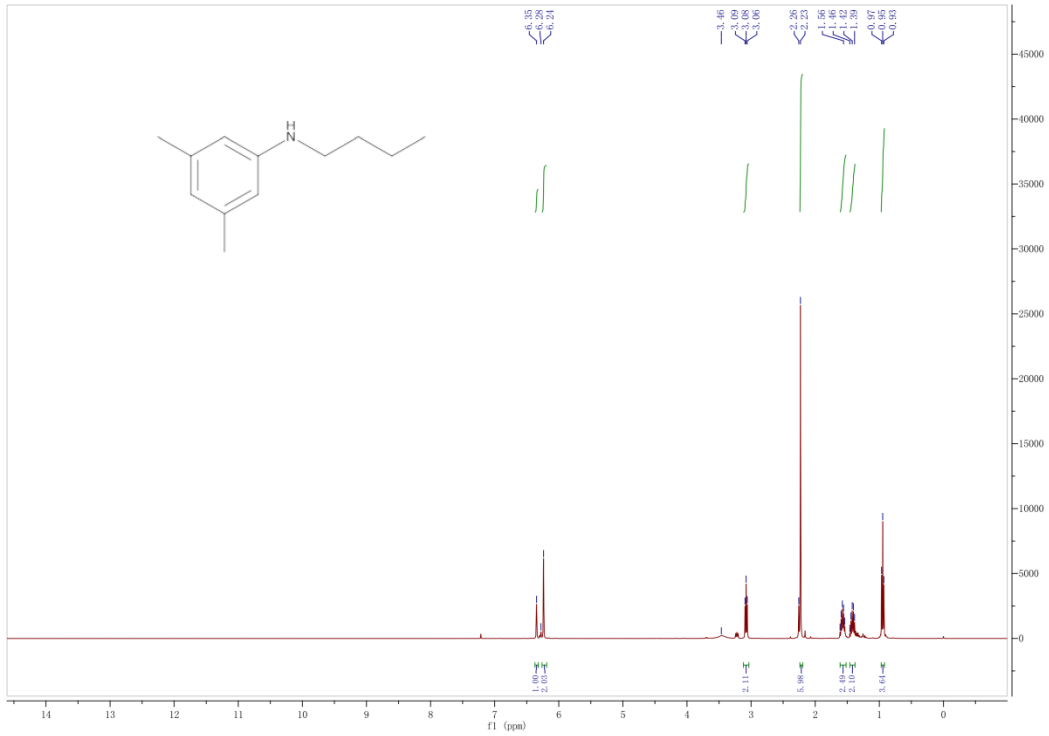


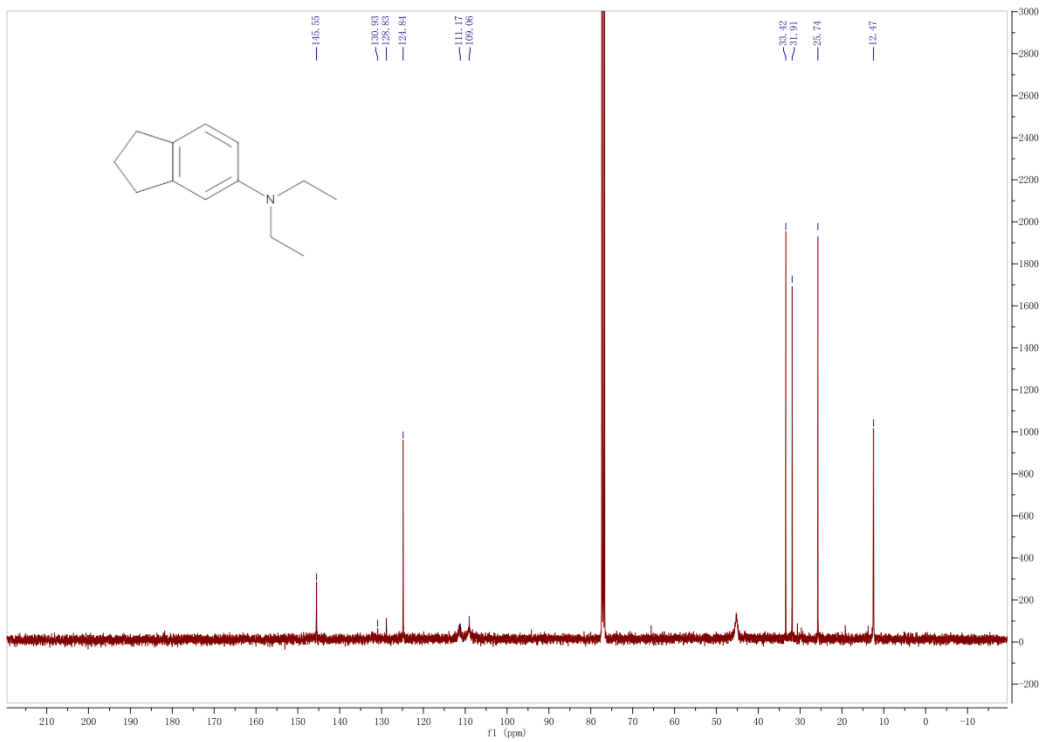
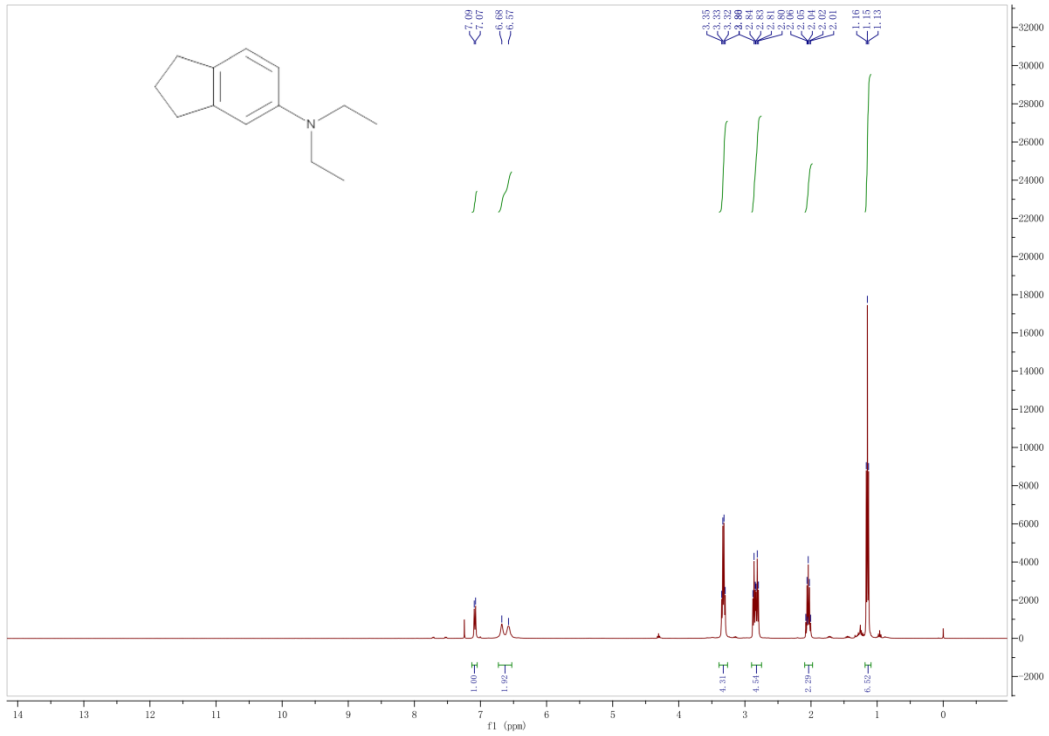


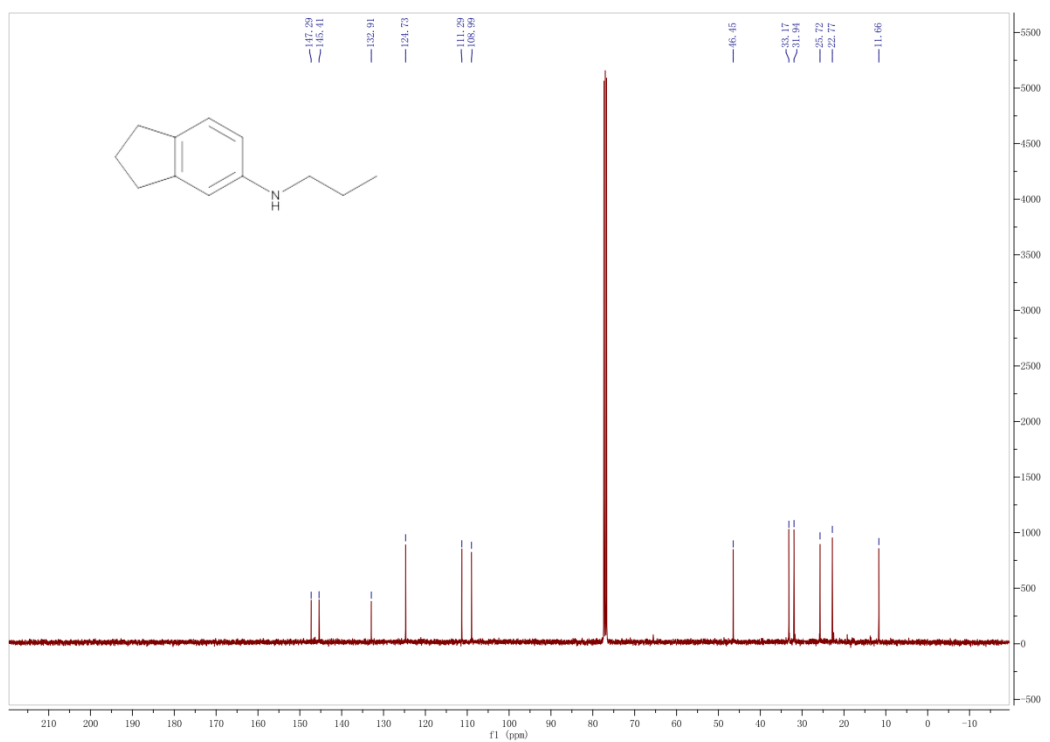
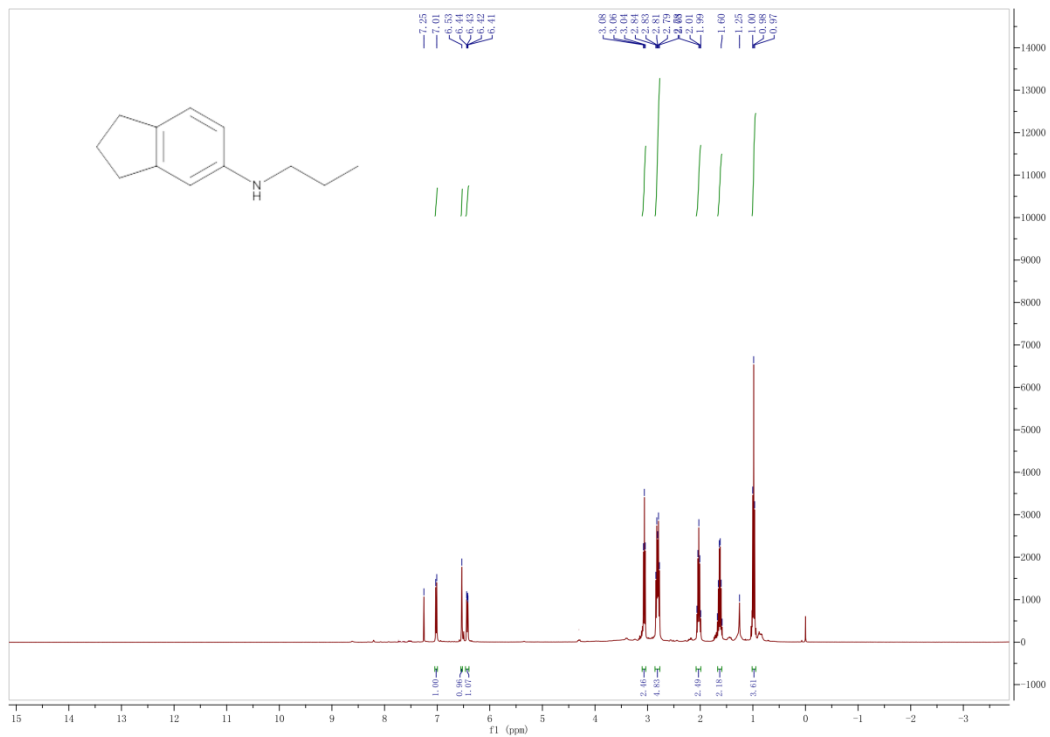


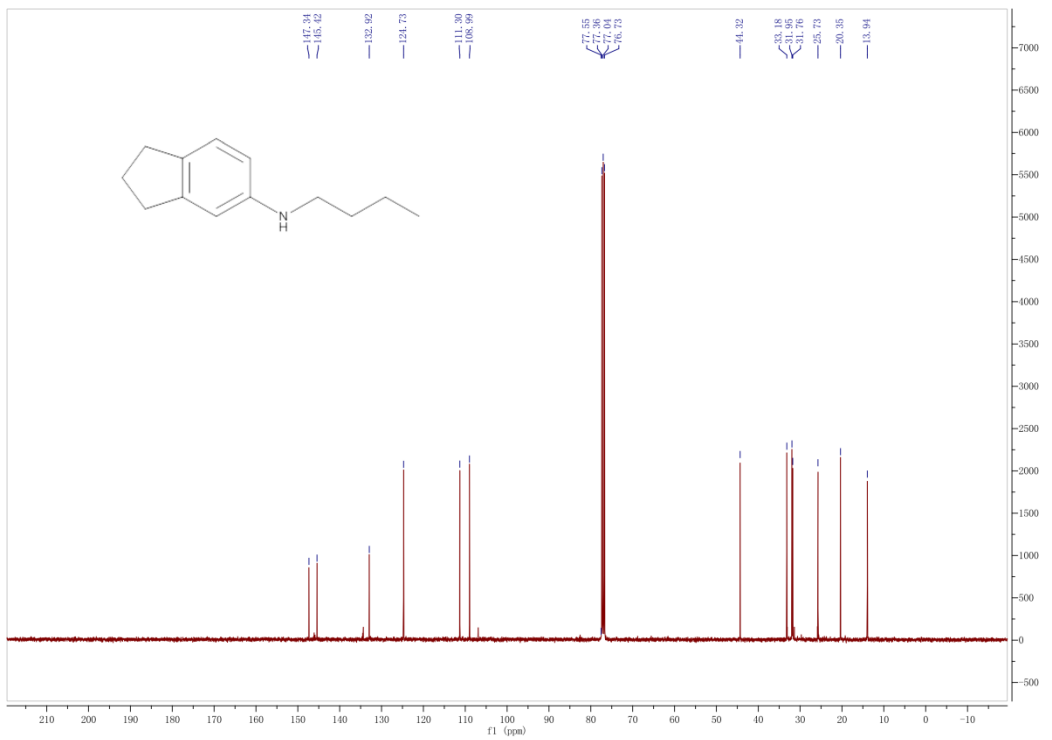
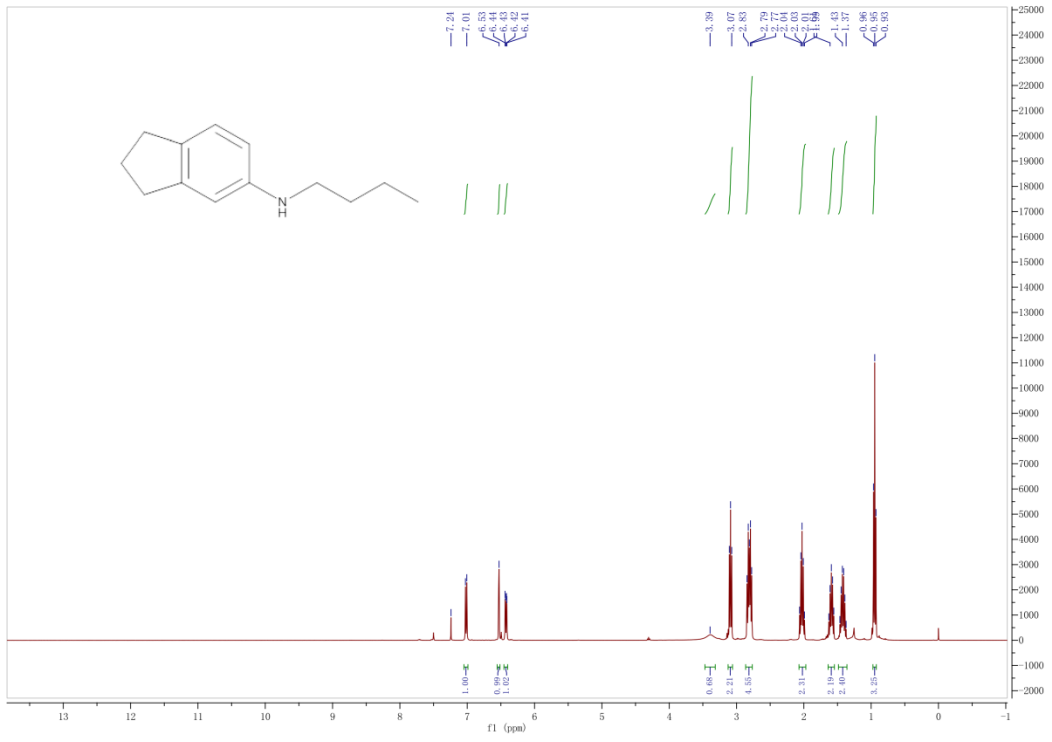


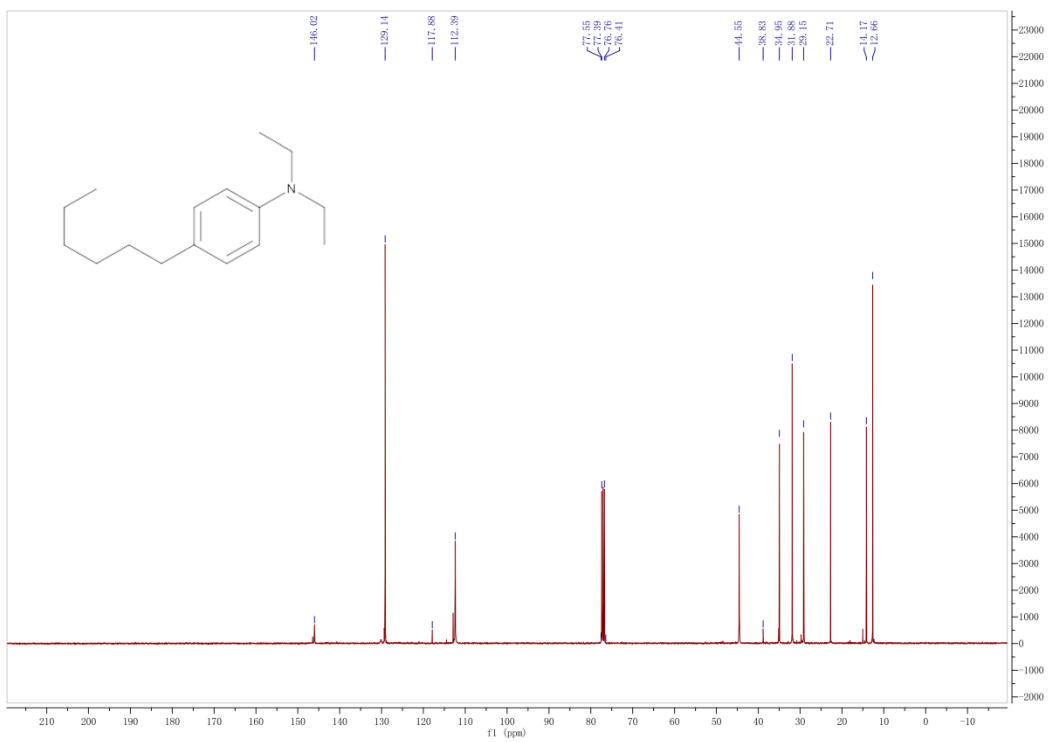
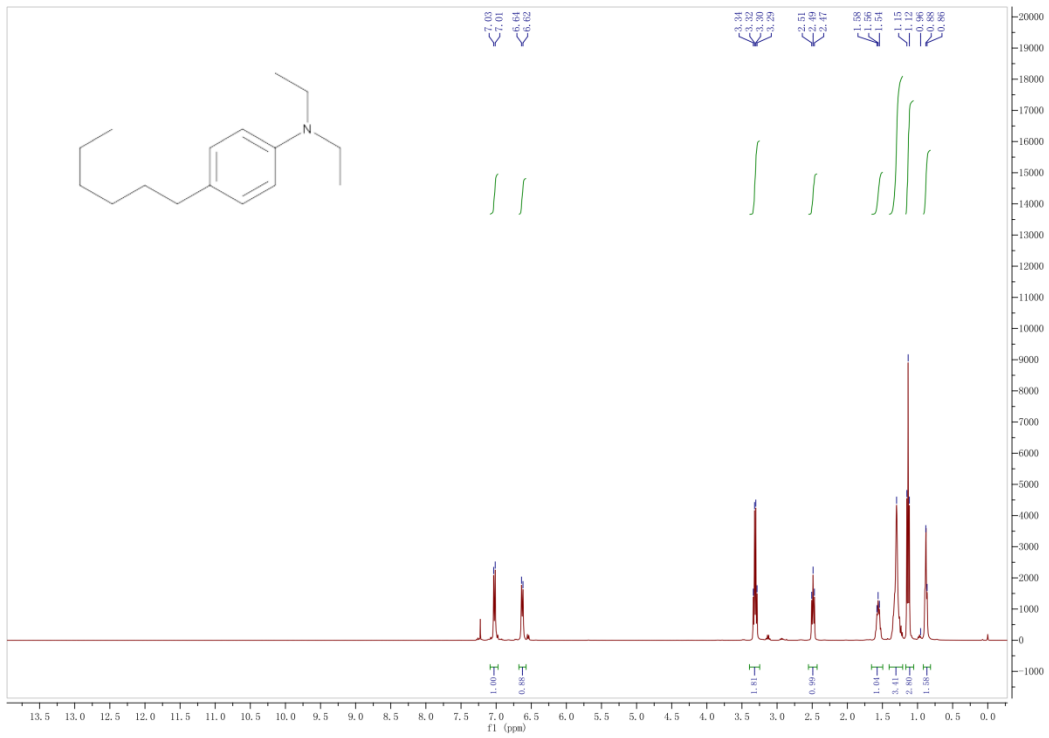


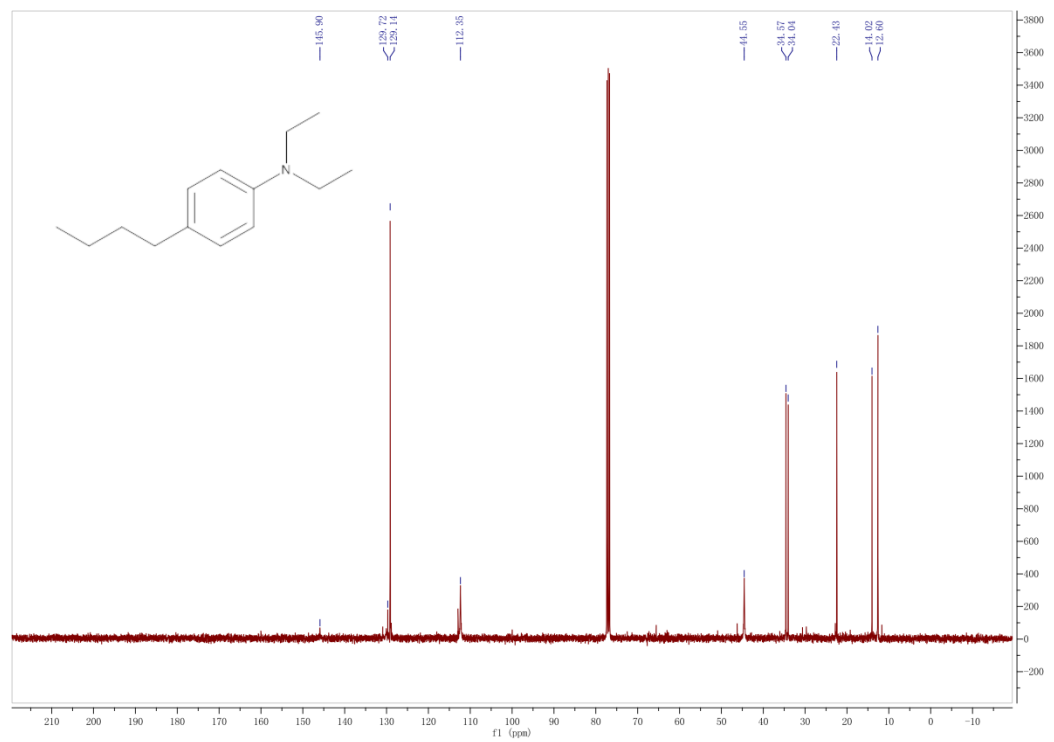
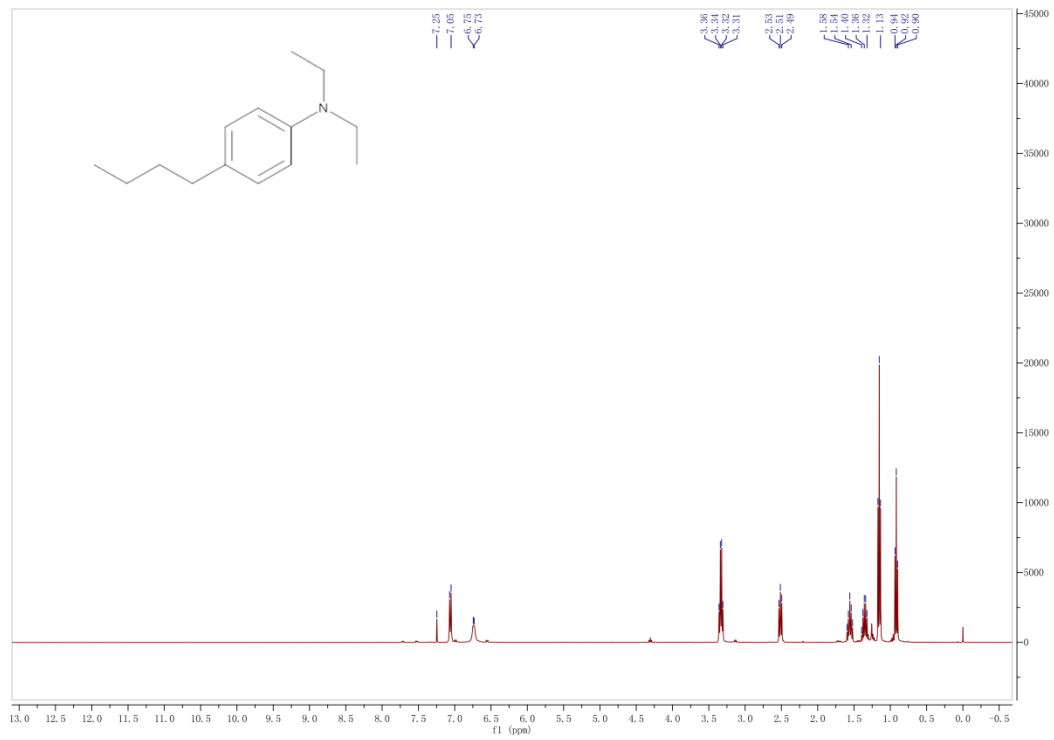


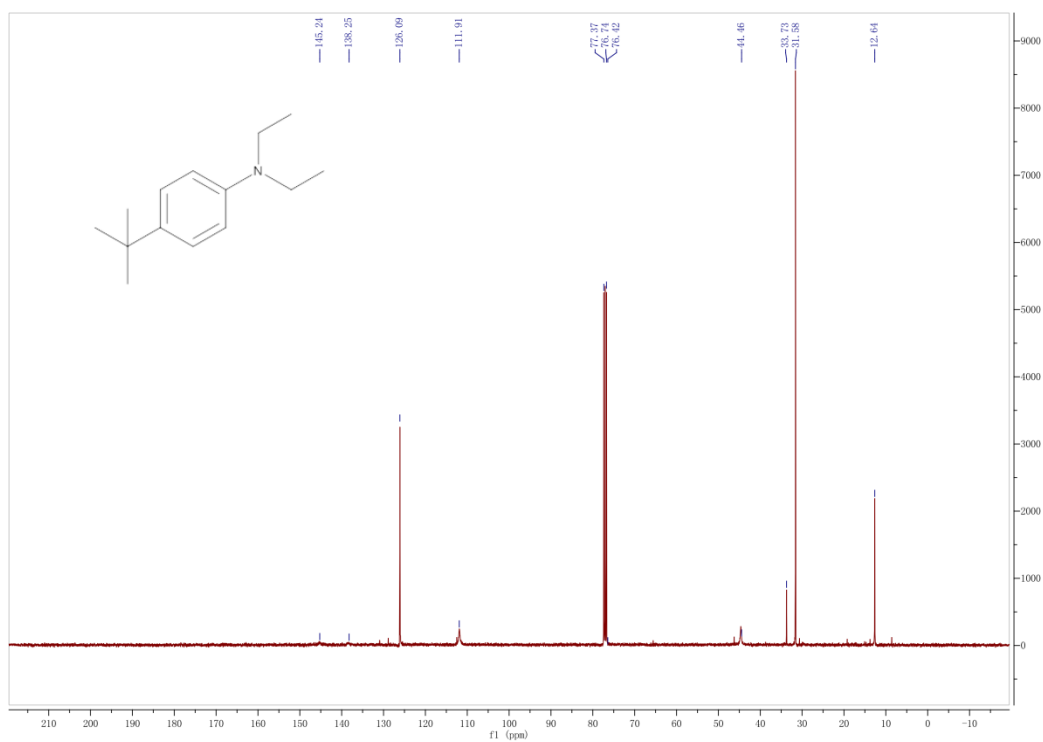
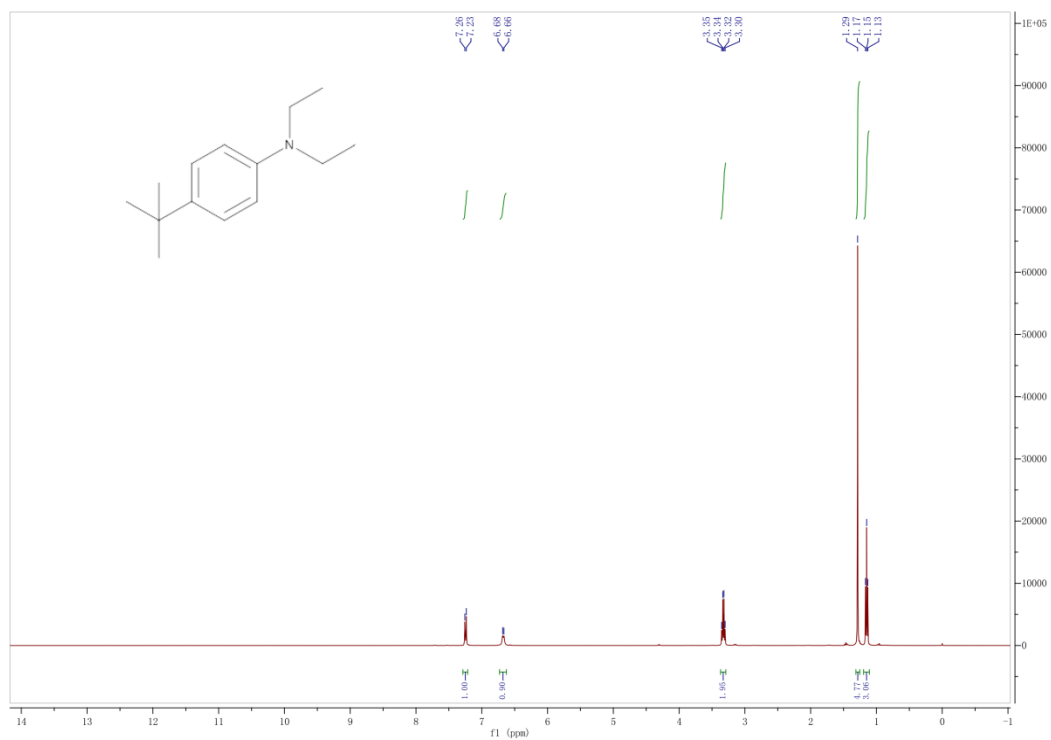


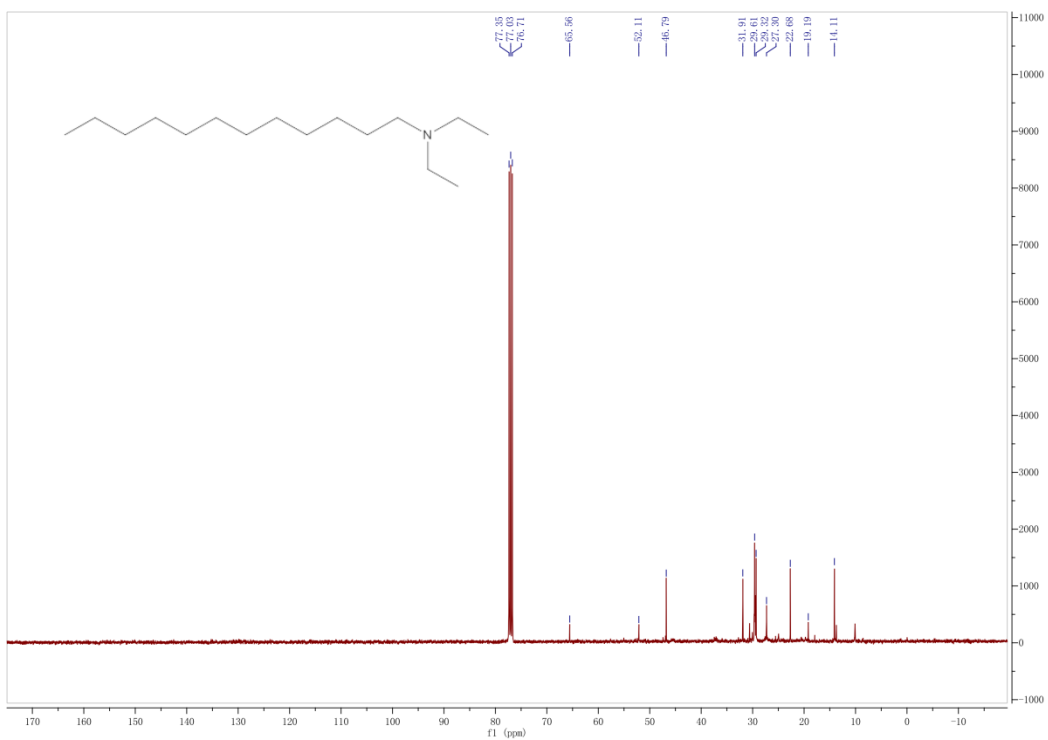
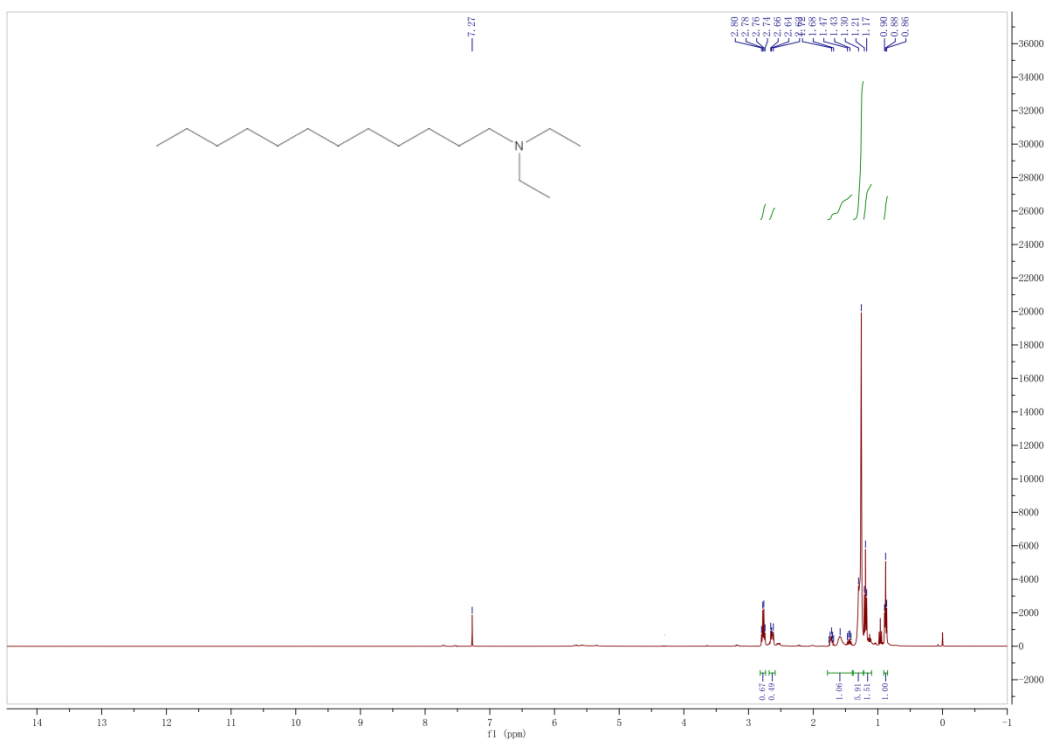












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