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Supporting Information

for

Palladium-modified functionalized cyclodextrin as an efficient and recyclable catalyst for reduction of nitroarenes

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Experimental details.

General Information: β-cyclodextrin (AR, 98%, MW=1134.98), cyclohexanediamine (AR, 99%, MW=114.19), Pd(OAc)₂ (metals basis, 99.9%, MW=224.51), *p*-T-oluenesulfonyl chloride (AR,99%, MW=190.65) were purchased from from Aladdin Industrial Corporation in Shanghai, PR China. NaOH, DMF, CH₃CN were purchased from Tianjin Fengchuan Chemical Reagent Technologies, PR China. All experiments were carried out using ultrapure water and all the chemicals were used without further purification. The XRD patterns were obtained by using PHI 5000 VersaProbe II with Cu-Kα radiation (k = 1.5460 Å, 40 kV, 100 mA), at a scanning rate of 5°/min. Powder samples were mounted on a vitreous sample holder and scanned with a step size of 2θ = 0.02° between 2θ = 5° and 90°. TEM and EDS were determined on a Tecnai G² TF30 S-Twin. The NMR spectra was conducted on a Bruker Avance DRX spectrometer at 500 MHz, tetramethylsilane (TMS) as internal reference, 298 k in Yunnan University, Kunming 650091, P.R. China. ICP-OES was used with Agilent 5100 instrument. TG measurements were performed with a NETZSCH STA449F3 instrument, at the heating rate of 10 °C/min from room temperature to 450 °C in a dynamic nitrogen atmosphere (flow rate = 100 mL/min).

Synthesis of 6-O-monotosyl- β **-CD**: β -CD (210g, 185 mM) was dissolved in 1.3L H₂O, then, a solution of NaOH (50mL, 8.6 mol/L) was slowly dropped in 1.5h with vigorous stirring. After that, the temperature was lowed to around 5°C, the solution of *p*-T-oluenesulfonyl chloride (26g) in CH₃CN (80mL) was added slowly in 2h. The insoluble substance was removed by filtration and PH of the filtrate was adjusted to 7.5 by adding the solution of HCl (2mol/L) and the crude product was precipitated. After filtration, the crude production was washed with water, recrystallized by water for five times and dried in vacuum. Yield: (25.2%)

Synthesis of ligand DACH- β -CD: 6-O-monotosyl- β -CD (3.22 g, 2.5 mmol) and DACH (1.14 g, 10.0 mmol) were dissolved in anhydrous DMF. The mixture was stirred for 12 h at 80 °C. Afterward, the reaction solution was added dropwise in acetone (3×500mL) to remove the excess DACH. The final pure DACH- β -CD was dried overnight in vacuum at 50°C. Yield: (82%)

Synthesis of catalyst DACH-Pd- β -CD: Pd(OAc)₂ (0.0225g, 0.1mM) was dissolved in toluene (15mL) and DACH- β -CD (0.369g, 0.3 mM) was added . The suspension was stirred at room temperature for 24h. Then, the precipitation was washed with a large number of acetone (300mL) for three times to remove the unreacted Pd(OAc)₂. After which, the catalyst was dried in vacuum at 50°C for 24h, and a light yellow powder was get (containing 4.5% Pd by ICP-OES).

General procedure for the reduction of nitroarenes

The general experimental procedure is that 1.0 mmol of nitroarenes, 3 mmol of NaBH₄ (0.1135 g) and 0.5 mol% DACH-Pd- β -CD (11.9mg, containing 4.5% Pd) were added in a sealed tube with 2.0 mL H₂O. The mixture was stirred at rt for 3 h and monitored by TLC. After the reaction completion, the aqueous phase was extracted with ethyl acetate for 3 times (3×5 mL). Then the combined organic layers were dried by anhydrous MgSO₄ and the crude product was further purified by column chromatography.

General procedure for the separation and reusing of catalyst

After every cycle, 3×5 mL ethyl acetate was added to separate the organic phase. The combined organic layers were dried by anhydrous MgSO₄ and the crude product was further purified by column chromatography. In addition, the aqueous phase was used in the next run with adding 1 mmol nitrobenzene (0.123 g, 0.102 mL) and 3 mmol NaBH₄ (0.1135 g). The same progress was repeated for another new cycle.

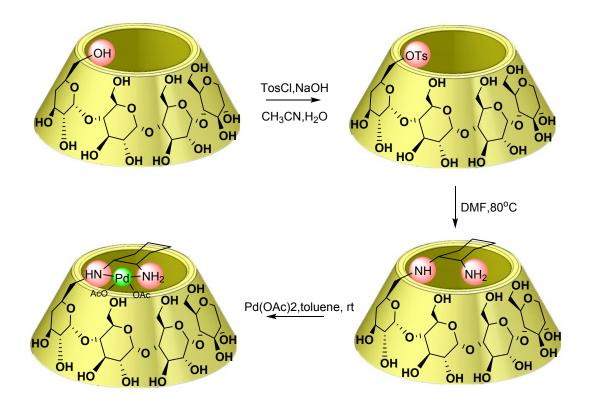


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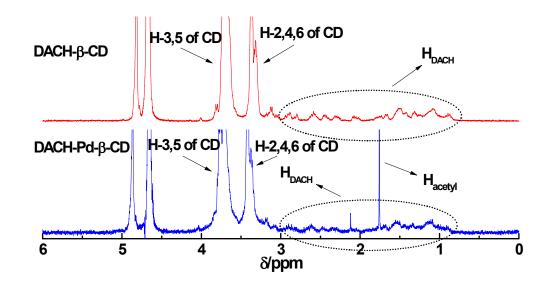


Fig. S2 ^1H NMR of DACH- $\beta\text{-CD}$ and DACH-Pd- $\beta\text{-CD}$

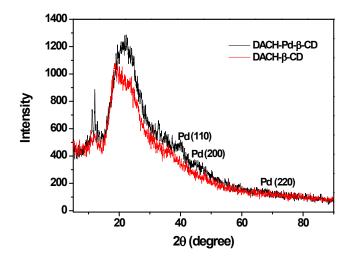


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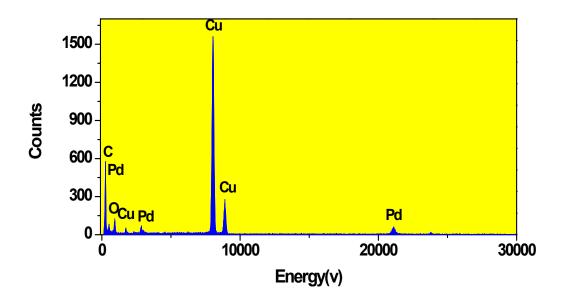
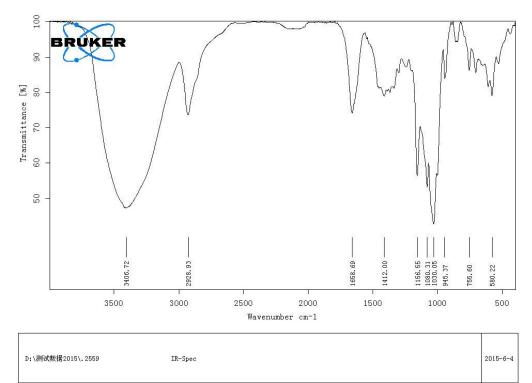
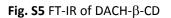
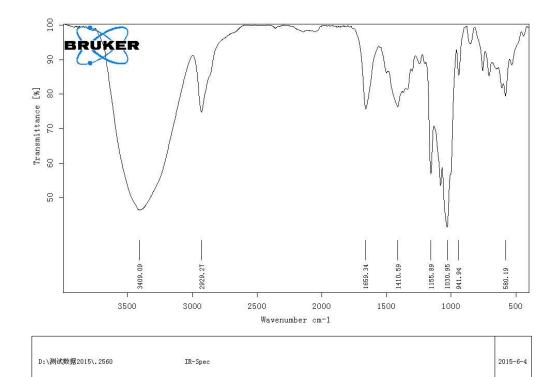


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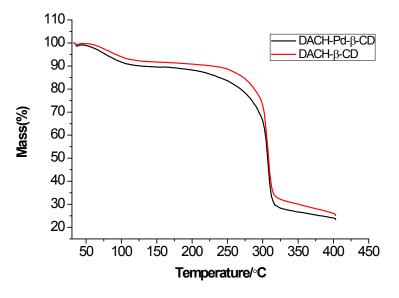
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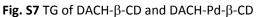






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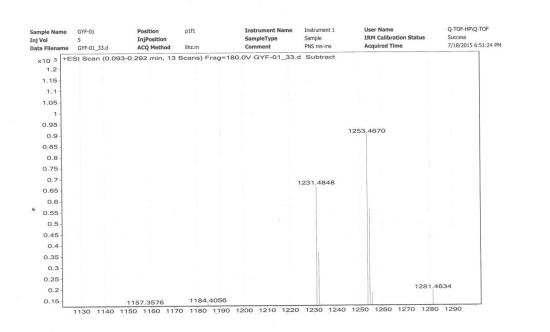


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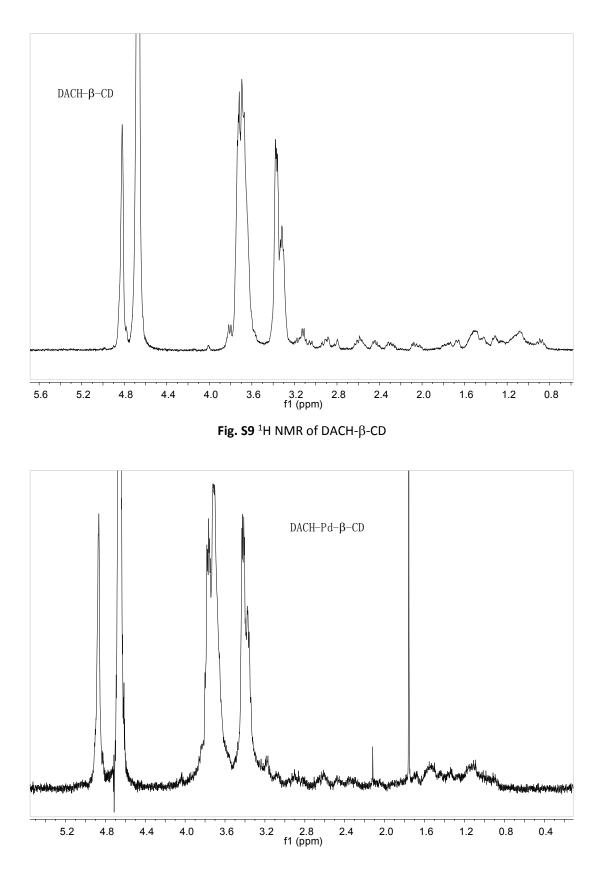


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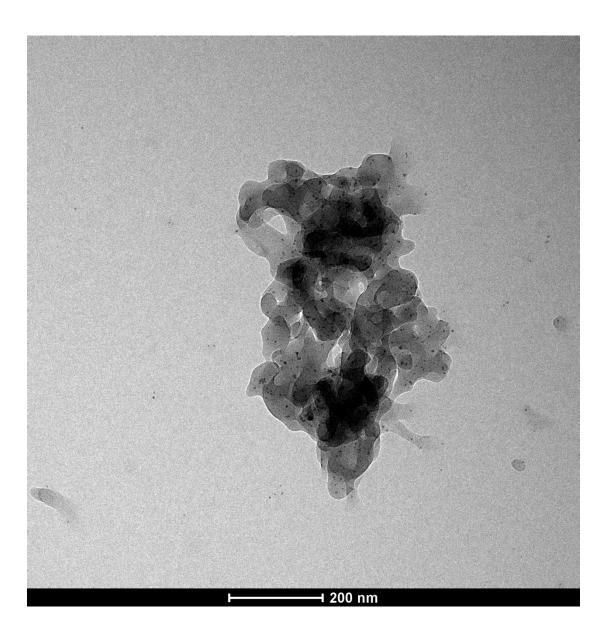


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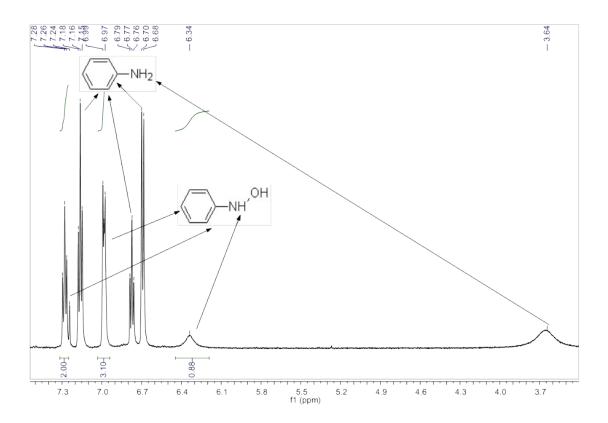
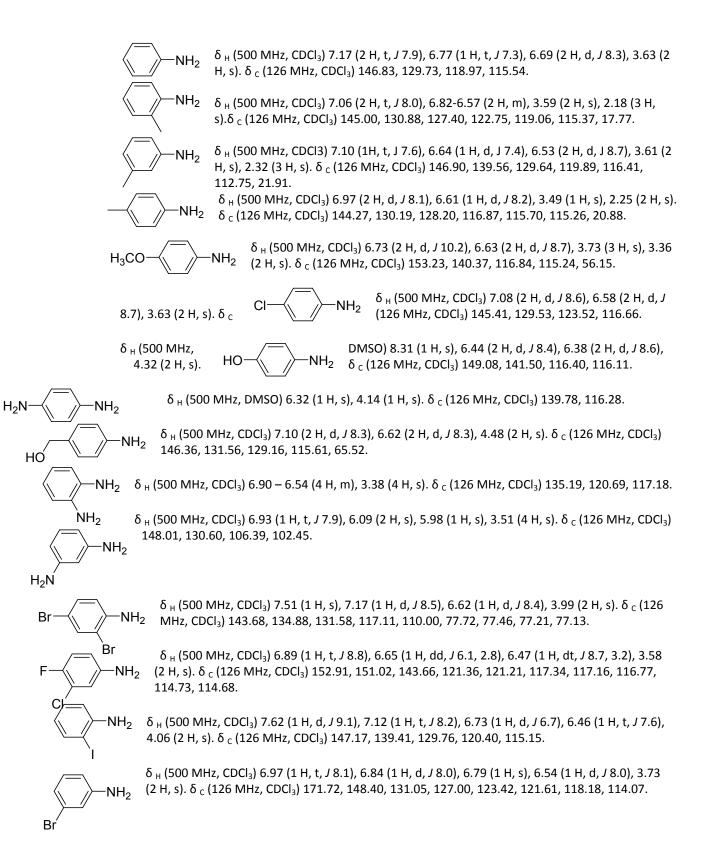
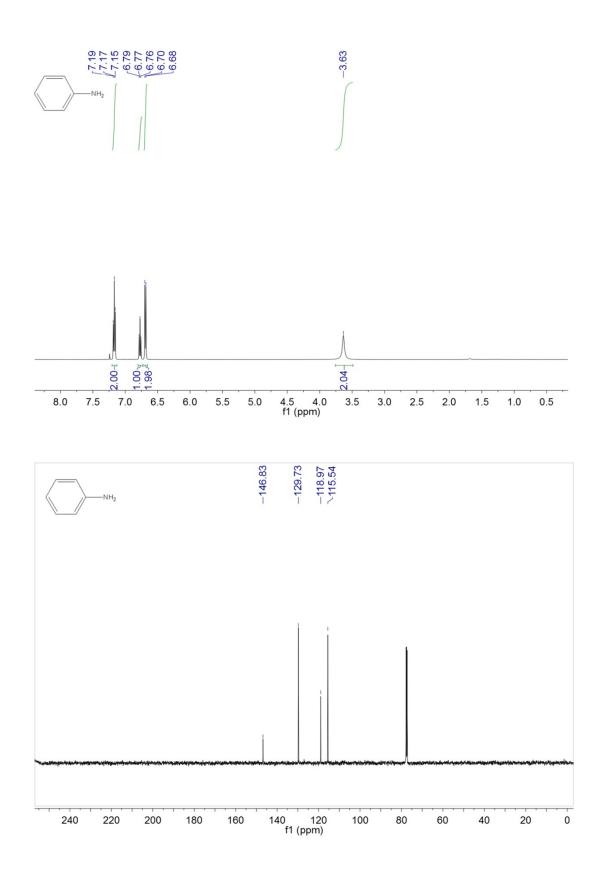
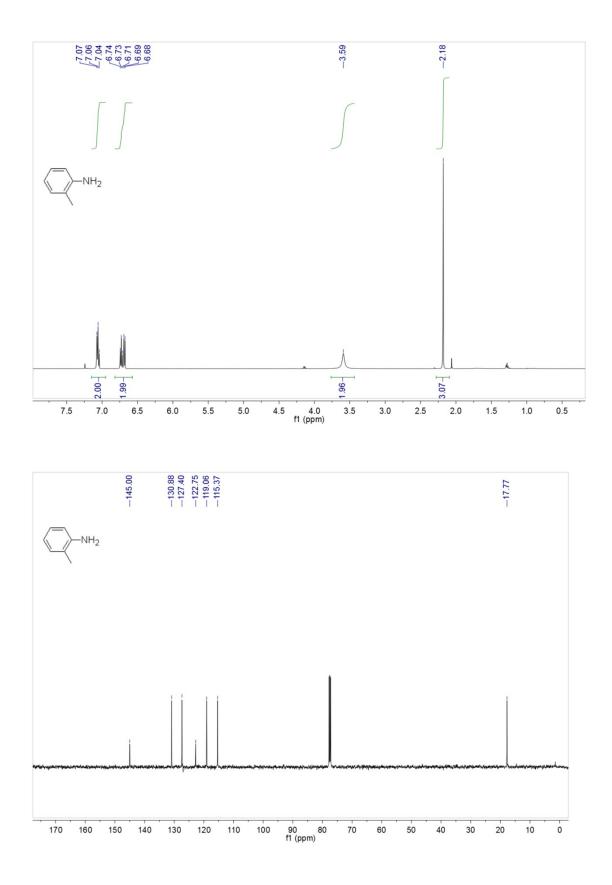
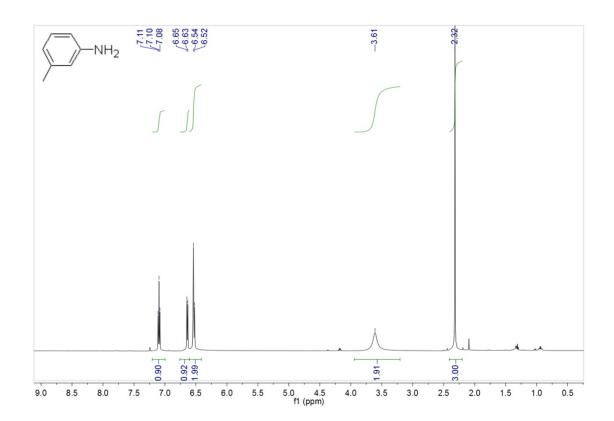


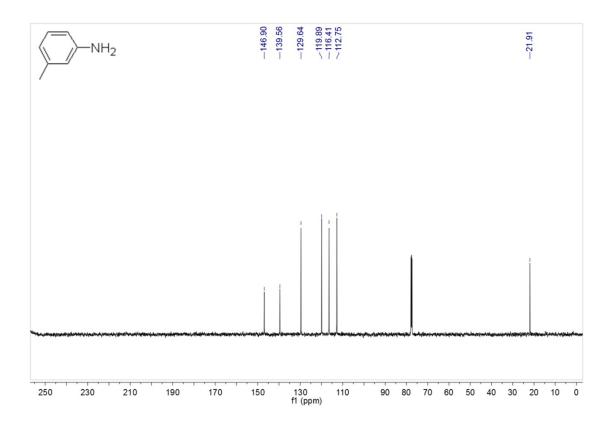
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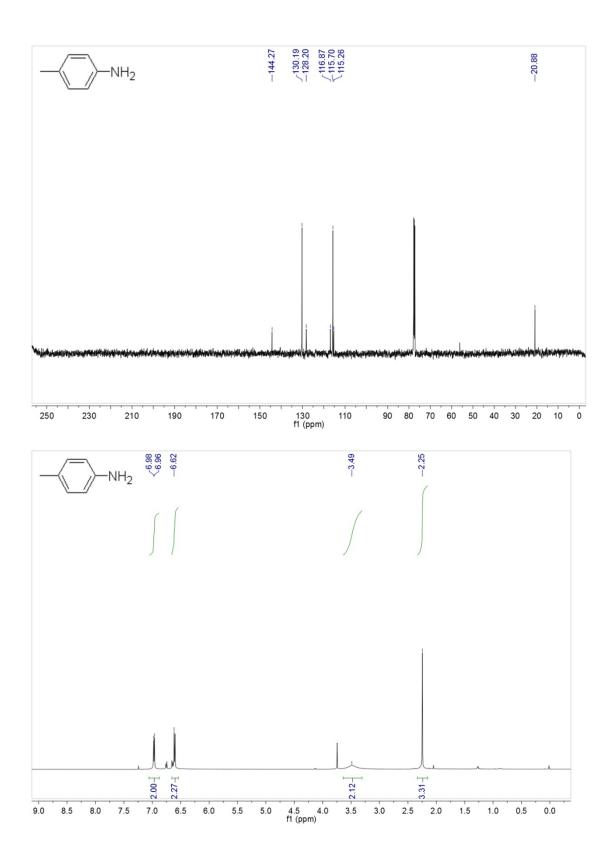


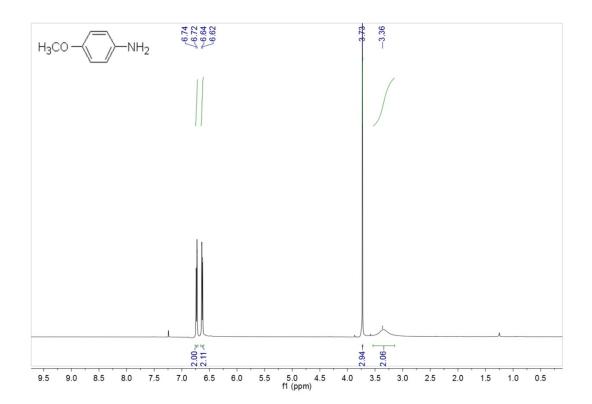


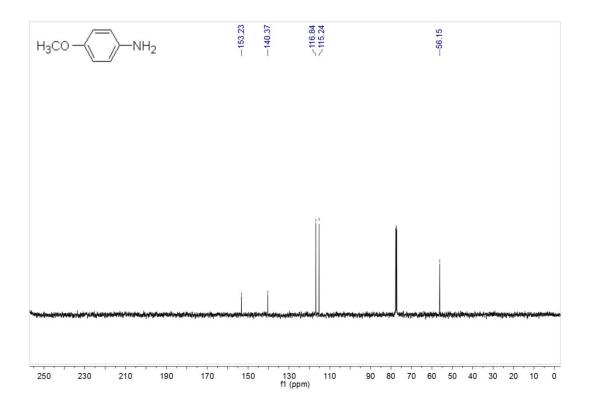


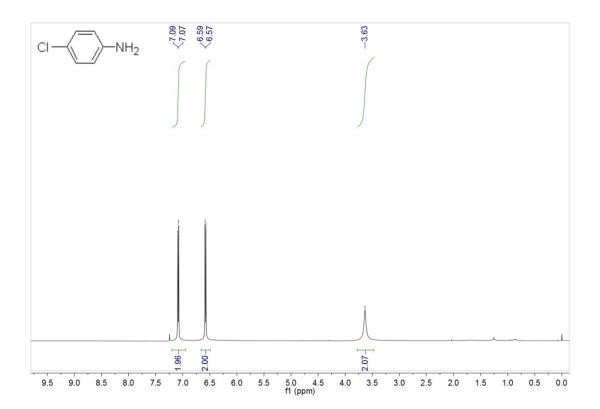


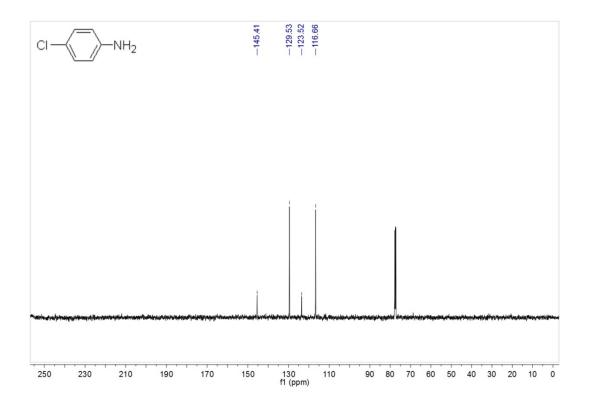


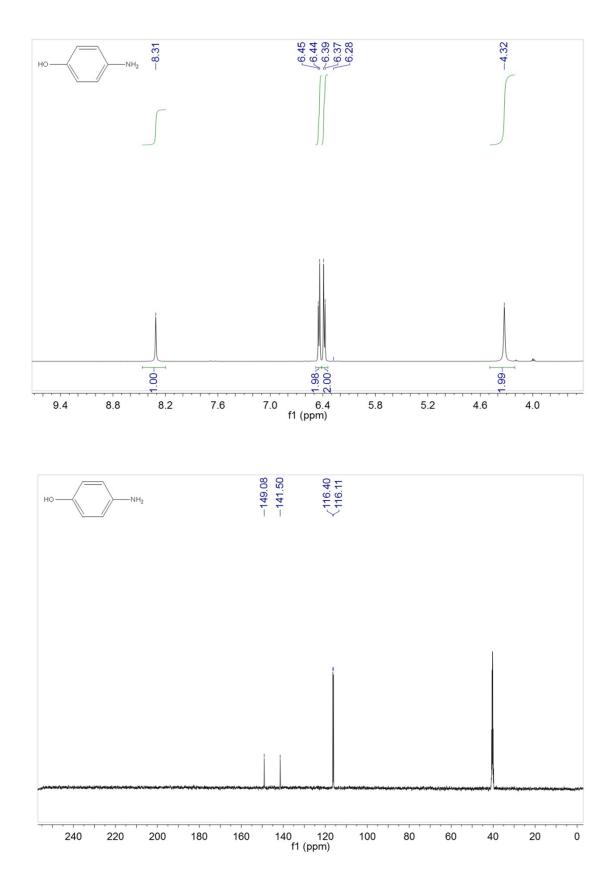


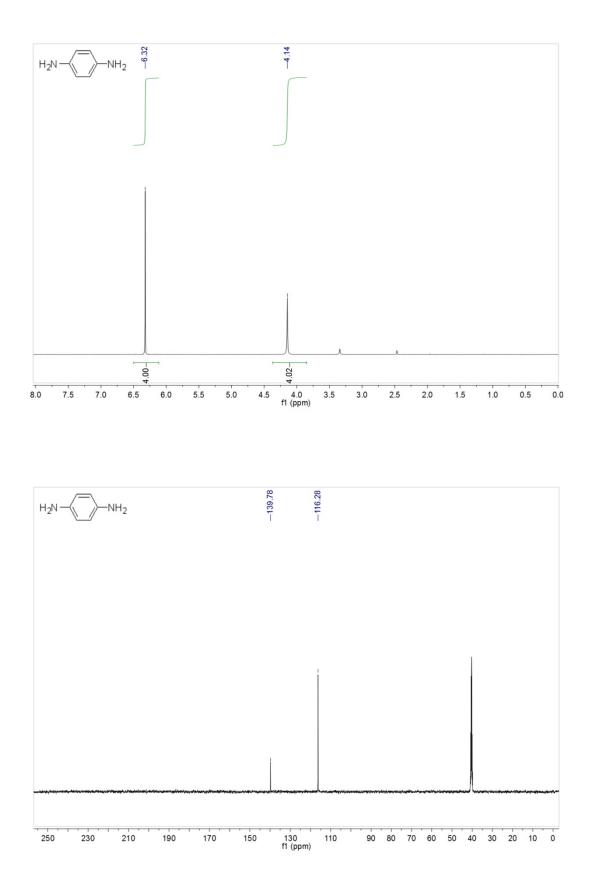


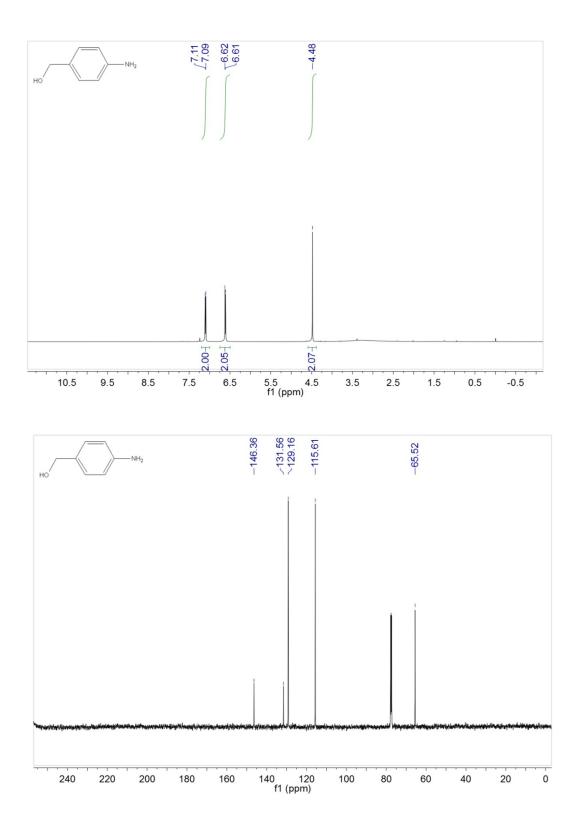


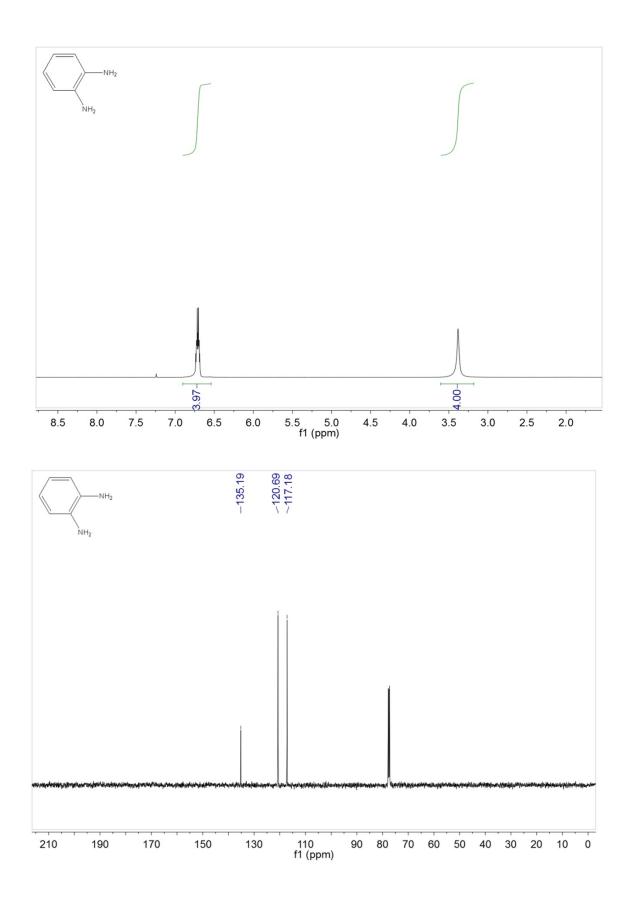


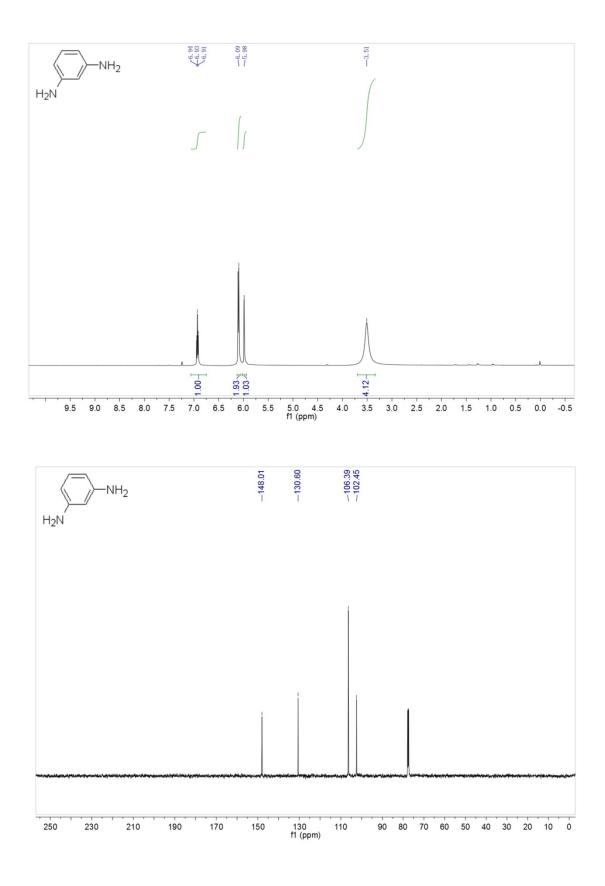


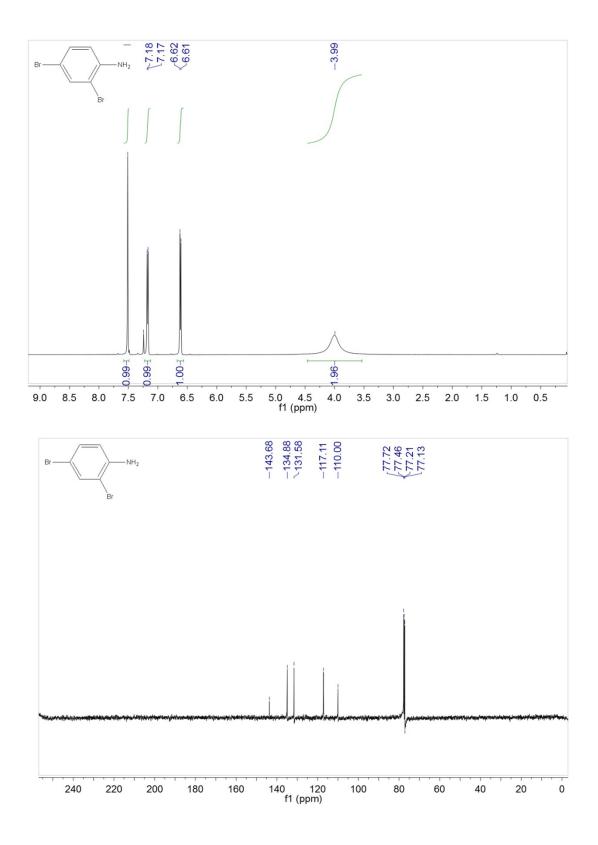


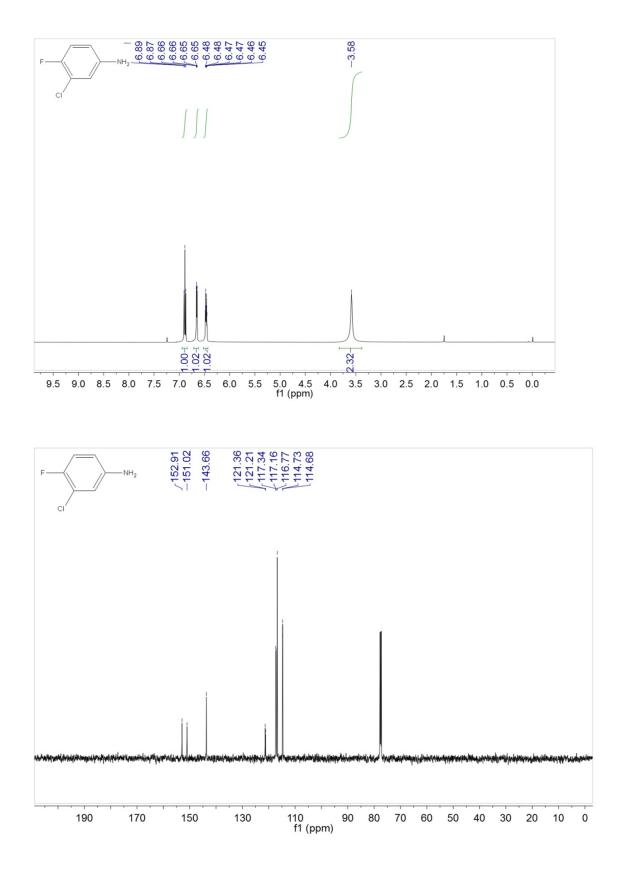


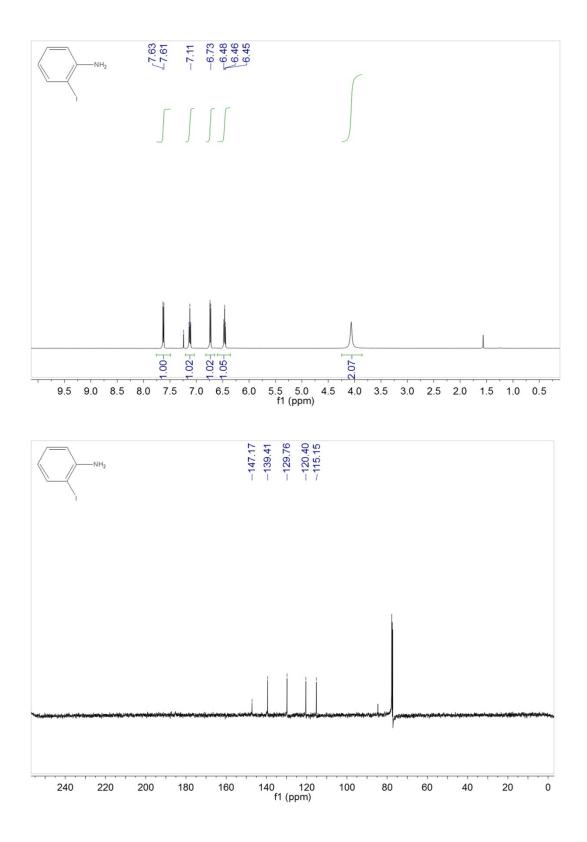


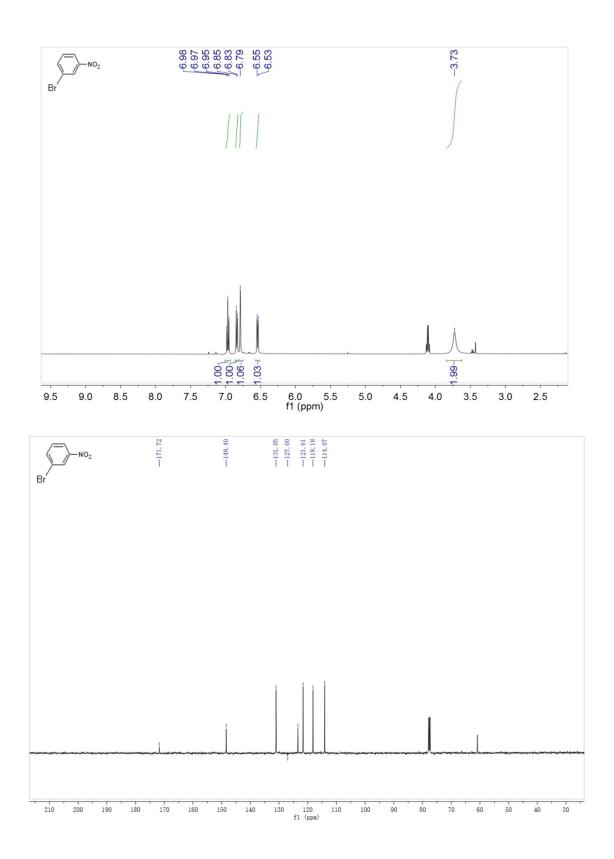












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