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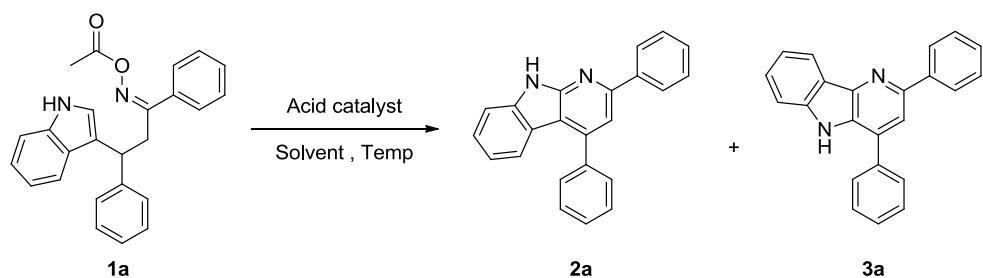
Regioselective Switching Approach for the Synthesis of α and δ Carboline Derivatives

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Table S1: Optimization studies of δ -carboline on acid catalyst and solvent.

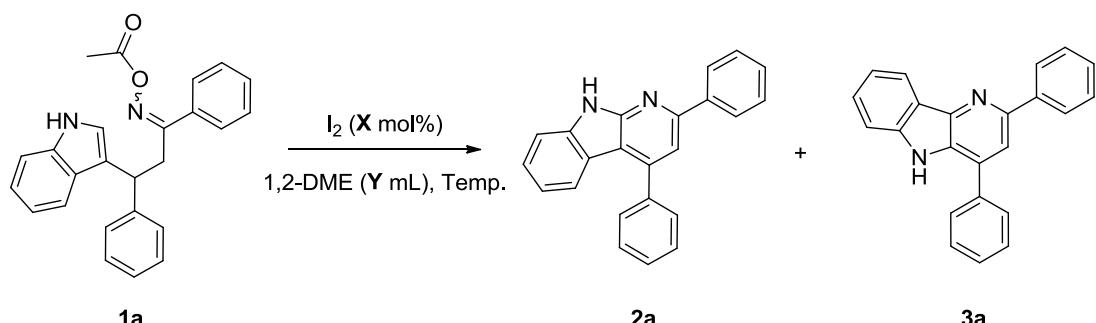


Entry ^a	Acid catalyst	Solvent	Tmep. (°C)	Time (min)	Yield 2a (%) ^b	Yield 3a (%) ^b
1	FeCl ₃ 20 mol%	CH ₂ Cl ₂	r.t.	25	29	36
2	ZrCl ₄ 1eq	CH ₂ Cl ₂	r.t.	overnight	19	21
3	I ₂ 20 mol%	CH ₂ Cl ₂	r.t.	60	24	38
4	TFA 20 mol%	CH ₂ Cl ₂	r.t.	30	24	26
5	Sc(OTf) ₃ 10 mol%	CH ₂ Cl ₂	r.t.	overnight	15	8
6	FeCl ₃ 20 mol%	1,2-DCE	80	15	34	29
7	InCl ₃ 20 mol%	1,2-DCE	60	30	21	19
8	I ₂ 20 mol%	1,2-DCE	80	25	35	41
9	I ₂ 20 mol%	CH ₃ CN	60	120	5	42
10	I ₂ 20 mol%	CH ₃ CN	80	120		<i>n.d.</i>
11	I ₂ 20 mol%	1,2-DME	60	15	10	50
12	I₂ 20 mol%	1,2-DME	80	15	9	52
13	I ₂ 20 mol%	EtOH	60	30	6	41
14	I ₂ 20 mol%	PEG-400	80	overnight		N.R.
15	I ₂ 20 mol%	DMSO	80	overnight		N.R.
16	NbCl ₅ 20 mol%	CH ₃ CN	60	60	18	36
17	NbCl ₅ 20 mol%	1,2-DME	60	60	19	19
18	NbCl ₅ 20 mol%	DMSO	80	overnight		N.R.

^aAll of reactions were carried out with 1 mmol **1a**, 2 mL solvent and acid catalyst.

^bAll of yields were determined from crude ^1H NMR spectrum with dibromomethane as internal standard.

Table S2: Optimization studies of δ -carboline on I₂ and solvent

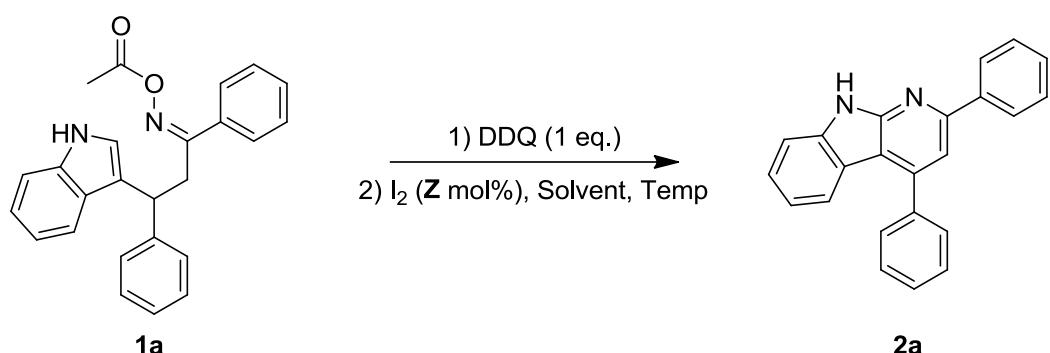


Entry ^a	X (mol%)	Y (mL)	Temp. (°C)	Time (min)	Yield 2a (%) ^b	Yield 3a (%) ^b
1	20	2	60	15	10	50
2	20	2	80	15	9	52
3	30	2	80	15	8	57
4	40	2	80	15	9	60
5	50	2	80	60	3	32
6	40	5	80	15	10	60
7	40	2	100	15	10	60
8	40	5	100	15	10	70
9	40	1	100	15	10	60
10	40	10	100	20	11	57

^aAll of reaction were carried out with 1mmol **1a**.

^bAll of yields were determined from crude ^1H NMR spectrum with dibromomethane as internal standard.

Table S3: Optimization studies of α -carboline



Entry ^a	Z	Solvent	Temp (°C)	Time (h)	Yield 2a (%) ^b
1	20	CH ₂ Cl ₂ (2 mL)	r.t.	4	53
2	20	1,2-DCE (2 mL)	80	0.5	47
3	20	1,2-DCE (5 mL)	80	0.5	63
4	40	1,2-DCE (5 mL)	80	0.5	60
5	20	1,2-DCE (10 mL)	80	1	70
6	20	1,2-DCE (10 mL)	60	1	70
7	20	1,2-DME (5 mL)	80	1	56

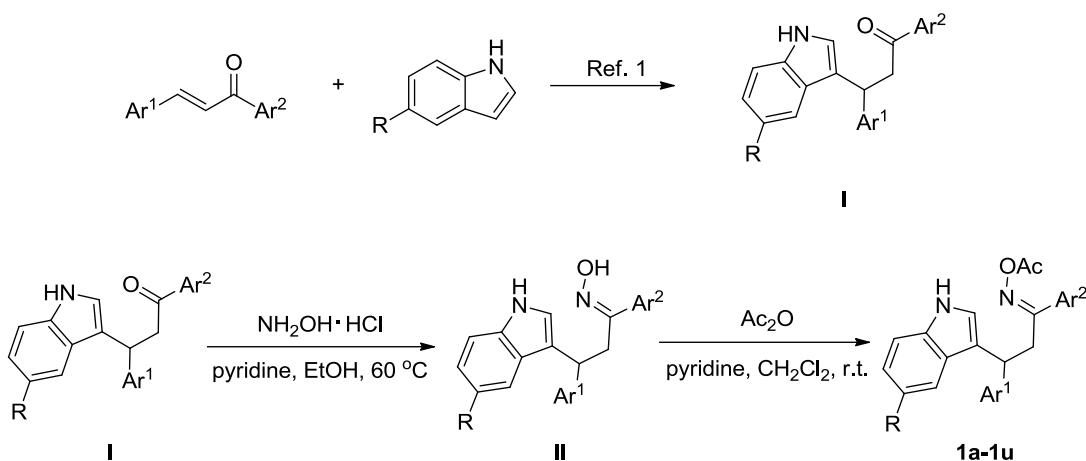
^aThe reactions were carried out with 1 mmol **1a**, 1 eq. DDQ and solvent, followed by addition of iodine as acid catalyst.

^bAll of yields were determined from crude ¹H NMR spectrum with dibromomethane as internal standard.

General information

Reagents and solvents were purchased from various commercial sources and were used directly without any further purification, unless otherwise stated. Column chromatography was performed with 63–200 mesh silica gel. ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded at 400 and 100 MHz, or 500 and 125 MHz, respectively. Chemical shifts are reported in parts per million (d) using TMS and chloroform as internal standards and coupling constants are expressed in Hertz. Melting points were recorded using an electro thermal capillary melting point apparatus and are uncorrected. HRMS spectra were recorded using ESI-TOF or EI+ mode. The starting material indolyl carbonyl compound derivatives I were synthesized from various indole and chalcone derivatives followed by reported literatures.¹

Preparation of indoyloxime esters 1a-1u



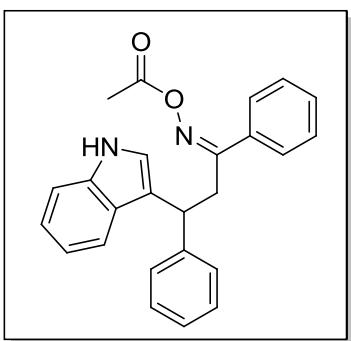
General procedures:

A suspension of indolyl carbonyl compound I (5 mmol), hydroxylamine hydrochloride (0.52g, 7.5 mmol) in pyridine (1.25 mL) and EtOH (10 mL) was heated to 60 °C for 1 h. After completion of the reaction, the mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was diluted with ethyl acetate (50 mL), and the organic layer was washed with aq. 3M HCl (20 mL) for two times, and then aq. NaHCO₃ (10 mL) for two times. The organic layer was dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure to afford the crude indolyloxime II. Further, acetic anhydride (0.56g, 6 mmol) was added slowly to a solution of indolyloxime II (crude) in pyridine (2.5 mL) and CH₂Cl₂

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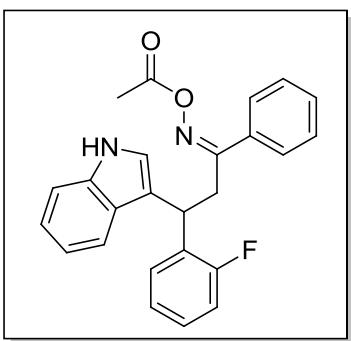
(2.5 mL). The reaction mixture was stirred at ambient temperature for 3 h. After completion of the reaction, the mixture was diluted with ethyl acetate (50 mL), and the organic layer was washed with aq. 3M HCl (20 mL) for three times, and then aq. NaHCO₃ (20 mL) for three times. The organic layer was dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure. the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: hexane/ethyl acetate = 5:1) to afford the pure indolyloxime ester **1a-1u**.

(Z)-3-(1H-indol-3-yl)-1,3-diphenylpropan-1-one O-acetyl oxime (1a)



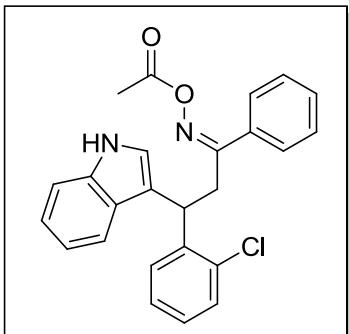
Brown solid, 76% yield; mp 117-118 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.10 (brs, 1H), 7.54-7.52 (m, 2H), 7.42-7.38 (m, 1H), 7.35-7.29 (m, 3H), 7.25-7.09 (m, 7H), 7.05 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 6.97-6.93 (m, 1H), 4.44 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 3.73 (dd, *J* = 12.9, 6.9 Hz, 1H), 3.64 (dd, *J* = 12.9, 8.7 Hz, 1H), 1.95 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 169.0, 165.2, 143.1, 136.8, 134.3, 130.5, 128.8, 128.5, 128.0, 127.7, 126.8, 126.7, 122.3, 121.6, 119.7, 119.6, 118.4, 111.4, 40.6, 34.7, 19.7; HRMS (EI) m/z calcd. For C₂₅H₂₂N₂O₂ (M⁺) 382.1681, found 382.1689.

(Z)-3-(2-fluorophenyl)-3-(1H-indol-3-yl)-1-phenylpropan-1-one O-acetyl oxime (1b)



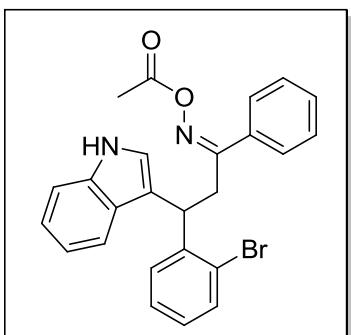
Pink solid, 99% yield; mp 124-126 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.20 (brs, 1H), 7.55 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.42-7.38 (m, 1H), 7.39-7.35 (m, 4H), 7.21-7.17 (m, 1H), 7.15-7.09 (m, 3H), 7.00-6.93 (m, 3H), 4.83 (t, *J* = 7.86 Hz, 1H), 3.78-3.67 (m, 2H), 2.03 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 169.0, 165.3, 160.9 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 245.8 Hz), 136.6, 134.1, 130.1 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 13.9 Hz), 129.9 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 4.3 Hz), 129.6, 128.5 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 8.4 Hz), 128.3, 127.5, 126.5, 124.2 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 3.3 Hz), 122.3, 121.9, 119.6, 119.2, 116.9, 115.7 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 22.4 Hz), 111.4, 34.0, 33.7, 19.8; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For C₂₅H₂₁FN₂O₂Na (M+23) 423.1485, found 423.1483.

(Z)-3-(2-chlorophenyl)-3-(1H-indol-3-yl)-1-phenylpropan-1-one O-acetyl oxime (1c)



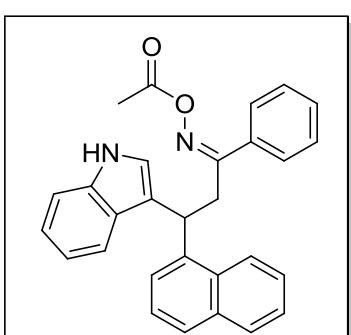
Brown solid, 99% yield; mp 137-139 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.35 (brs, 1H), 7.53 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.37 (t, *J* = 7.28 Hz, 1H), 7.31-7.28 (m, 6H), 7.13-7.05 (m, 4H), 6.97 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 5.12 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 3.77 (dd, *J* = 13.4, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 3.58 (dd, *J* = 13.4, 8.3 Hz, 1H), 2.14 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 169.1, 165.2, 140.7, 136.5, 133.9, 133.5, 130.3, 129.5, 128.5, 127.9, 127.5, 126.9, 126.6, 122.2, 121.8, 119.4, 119.2, 117.2, 111.3, 36.4, 33.9, 19.8; HRMS (EI) m/z calcd. For C₂₅H₂₁ClN₂O₂ (M⁺) 416.1292, found 416.1292.

(Z)-3-(2-bromophenyl)-3-(1H-indol-3-yl)-1-phenylpropan-1-one O-acetyl oxime (1d)



Brown solid, 70% yield; mp 138-139 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.24 (brs, 1H), 7.53-7.47 (m, 3H), 7.39-7.27 (m, 6H), 7.14-7.07 (m, 3H), 7.00-6.95 (m, 2H), 5.10 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 3.77 (dd, *J* = 13.5, 7.7 Hz, 1H), 3.50 (dd, *J* = 13.5, 8.2 Hz, 1H), 2.15 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 169.3, 165.2, 142.5, 136.6, 134.1, 133.0, 130.4, 129.8, 128.6, 128.3, 127.7, 127.6, 126.7, 124.4, 122.4, 121.8, 119.7, 119.5, 117.7, 111.4, 39.2, 34.2, 20.0; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For C₂₅H₂₁BrN₂O₂Na (M+23) 483.0684, found 483.0694.

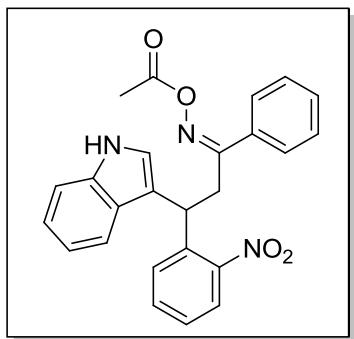
(Z)-3-(1H-indol-3-yl)-3-(naphthalen-1-yl)-1-phenylpropan-1-one O-acetyl oxime (1e)



White solid, 66% yield; mp 141-143 °C, two isomers; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.08 (brs, 1H), 8.03 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.82 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.71 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 7.46-7.26 (m, 9H), 7.09 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.01 (d, *J* = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 6.91 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 5.30 (1H, t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, CH), 3.96 (dd, *J* = 13.1, 8.1 Hz, 1H), 3.73 (dd, *J* = 13.1, 7.4 Hz, 1H), 1.91 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

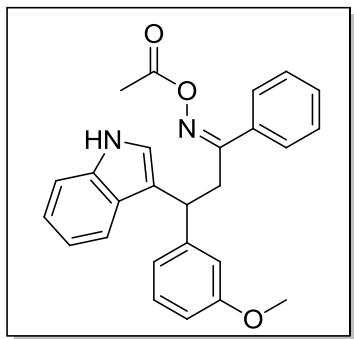
CDCl_3) δ 169.1, 165.6, 139.1, 136.7, 134.4, 134.2, 131.8, 130.4, 129.0, 128.7, 127.7, 127.6, 126.8, 126.1, 125.6, 125.5, 125.2, 123.5, 122.3, 122.2, 119.5, 118.5, 111.4, 36.1, 34.9, 19.6; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{24}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{Na}$ ($M+23$) 455.1736, found 455.1746.

(Z)-3-(1H-indol-3-yl)-3-(2-nitrophenyl)-1-phenylpropan-1-one O-acetyl oxime (1f)



Yellow solid, 74% yield; mp 85-86 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.18 (brs, 1H), 7.68 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.48-7.45 (m, 3H), 7.39-7.34 (m, 2H), 7.30-7.22 (m, 5H), 7.13-7.09 (m, 2H), 6.94 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 5.29 (t, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 1H), 3.83 (dd, $J = 13.4, 8.1$ Hz, 1H), 3.61 (dd, $J = 13.4, 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.12 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 169.2, 164.6, 150.0, 137.6, 136.6, 133.8, 132.6, 130.6, 130.4, 128.7, 127.8, 127.6, 126.5, 124.4, 122.7, 122.3, 119.9, 119.3, 116.5, 111.4, 34.9, 34.4, 19.9; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{21}\text{N}_3\text{O}_4\text{Na}$ ($M+23$) 450.1430, found 450.1442.

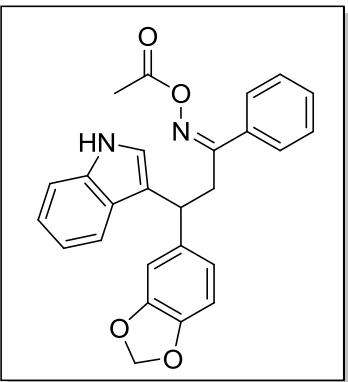
(Z)-3-(1H-indol-3-yl)-3-(3-methoxyphenyl)-1-phenylpropan-1-one O-acetyl oxime (1g)



Red oil, 90% yield; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.06 (brs, 1H), 7.55-7.53 (m, 2H), 7.42-7.28 (m, 5H), 7.15-7.11 (m, 2H), 7.07 (d, $J = 1.7$ Hz, 1H), 6.96 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 6.82 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 6.76 (s, 1H), 6.69 (dd, $J = 8.2, 1.8$ Hz, 1H), 4.42 (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 3.73 (dd, $J = 12.9, 7.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.7 (s, 3H), 3.64 (dd, $J = 13.0, 8.7$ Hz, 1H), 1.98 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 169.0, 165.3, 159.7, 144.7, 136.8, 134.3, 130.5, 129.4, 128.7, 126.7, 122.3, 121.7, 120.5, 119.6, 119.5, 118.1, 114.2, 111.8, 111.4, 55.3, 40.6, 34.6, 19.7; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{24}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3\text{Na}$ ($M+23$) 435.1679, found 435.1668.

(Z)-3-(benzo[d][1,3]dioxol-5-yl)-3-(1H-indol-3-yl)-1-phenylpropan-1-one

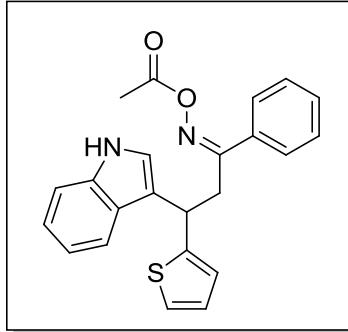
O-acetyl oxime (1h)



White solid, 76% yield; mp 140-141 °C, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.17 (brs, 1H,), 7.54-7.97 (m, 2H,), 7.43-7.39 (m, 1H), 7.36-7.27 (m, 4H), 7.15-7.11 (m, 1H), 7.06 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 6.99-6.95 (m, 1H), 6.68-6.63 (m, 3H), 5.85 (dd, *J* = 4.5, 1.3 Hz, 2H), 4.38 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 6.8 Hz, 1H), 3.68 (dd, *J* = 12.9, 6.7 Hz, 1H), 3.61 (dd, *J* = 12.9, 9.1 Hz, 1H), 2.04 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 168.9, 165.3, 147.7, 146.3, 137.0, 136.8, 134.2, 130.5, 128.7, 127.7, 126.6, 122.2, 121.4, 121.0, 119.4, 118.2, 111.5, 108.4, 107.9, 100.9, 40.4, 34.8, 19.7; 119.52, HRMS (EI) m/z calcd. For C₂₆H₂₂N₂O₄ (M⁺) 426.1580, found 426.1575.

(Z)-3-(1H-indol-3-yl)-1-phenyl-3-(thiophen-2-yl)propan-1-one O-acetyl

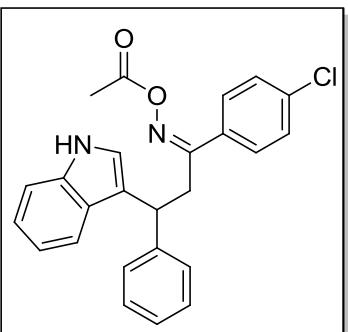
oxime (1i)



Pink solid, 60% yield; two isomers 6:1; mp 146-147 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.20 (brs, 1H), 7.57 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.43-7.30 (m, 6H), 7.16-7.09 (m, 3H), 7.03-6.99 (m, 2H), 6.90-6.86 (m, 2H), 4.71 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 3.86 (dd, *J* = 13.0, 8.2 Hz, 1H), 3.68 (dd, *J* = 12.9, 7.3 Hz, 1H), 1.91 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 168.8, 164.8, 147.8, 136.8, 134.0, 130.6, 128.8, 127.6, 126.7, 126.4, 124.6, 124.1, 122.3, 122.0, 119.7, 119.6, 117.5, 111.6, 36.3, 35.6, 19.5; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For C₂₃H₂₀N₂O₂NaS (M+23) 411.1143, found 411.1143.

(Z)-1-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-(1H-indol-3-yl)-3-phenylpropan-1-one O-acetyl

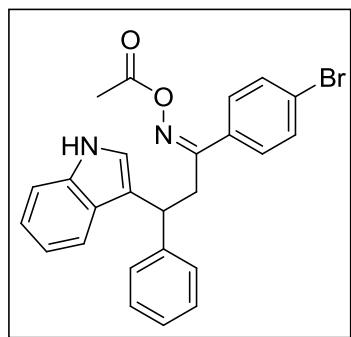
oxime (1j)



White solid, 66% yield; mp 191-192 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.22 (brs, 1H), 7.45 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.31-7.21 (m, 8H), 7.19-7.11 (m, 2H), 7.03 (s, 1H), 6.97 (1H, t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, CH), 4.46 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 3.71 (dd, *J* = 13.0, 6.9 Hz, 1H), 3.62 (dd, *J* = 12.9, 8.8 Hz, 1H), 2.00 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR

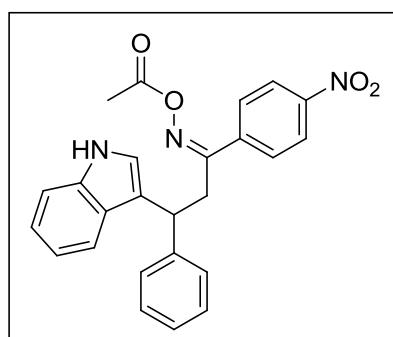
(100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 168.8, 164.3, 142.9, 136.8, 136.6, 132.7, 128.9, 128.5, 127.9, 126.9, 126.6, 122.4, 121.6, 119.6, 118.1, 118.1, 111.5, 40.6, 34.7, 19.6; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For C₂₅H₂₁CIN₂O₂Na (M+23) 439.1189, found 439.1204.

(Z)-1-(4-bromophenyl)-3-(1H-indol-3-yl)-3-phenylpropan-1-one O-acetyl oxime (1k)



White solid, 82% yield; mp 175-176 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.18 (brs, 1H), 7.45 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.31-7.25 (m, 4H), 7.19-7.17 (m, 6H), 7.03 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 6.97 (t, J = 7.48 Hz, 1H), 4.46 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 3.71 (dd, J = 12.9, 6.9 Hz, 1H), 3.62 (dd, J = 12.9, 8.8 Hz, 1H), 2.00 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 168.8, 164.3, 142.9, 136.8, 136.6, 132.7, 128.9, 128.5, 127.9, 126.9, 126.6, 122.4, 121.6, 119.6, 118.1, 118.1, 111.5, 40.6, 34.7, 19.6; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For C₂₅H₂₁BrN₂O₂Na (M+23) 483.0684, found 483.0697.

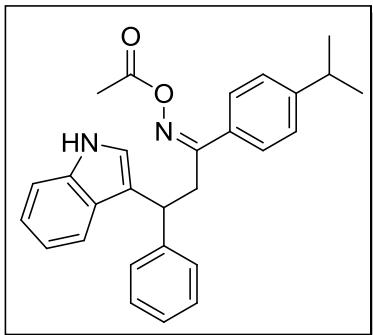
(Z)-3-(1H-indol-3-yl)-1-(4-nitrophenyl)-3-phenylpropan-1-one O-acetyl oxime (1l)



White solid, 50% yield; mp 113 -114 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.12 (brs, 1H), 8.09 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.58 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.31-7.11 (m, 8H), 7.05 (d, J = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 6.97 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 4.49 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 3.8 (dd, J = 13.0, 7.1 Hz, 1H), 3.65 (dd, J = 12.9, 8.8 Hz, 1H,), 2.09 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 168.4, 163.8, 148.8, 142.6, 140.6, 136.8, 128.7, 128.6, 127.9, 127.1, 126.5, 123.7, 122.6, 121.6, 119.8, 119.6, 117.9, 111.5, 40.6, 35.1, 19.7; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For C₂₅H₂₁N₃O₄Na (M+23) 450.1430, found 450.1442.

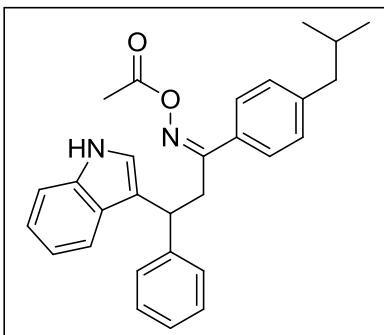
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O-acetyl oxime (1m)



White solid, 65% yield; two isomers; mp 135-137 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.10 (brs, 1H), 7.31 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.26-7.10 (m, 10H), 6.95 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 4.46 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 3.73 (dd, $J = 12.9, 6.9$ Hz, 1H), 3.65 (dd, $J = 12.9, 8.7$ Hz, 1H), 2.92 (sep, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 1H), 1.93 (s, 3H), 1.25 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 6H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 169.1, 165.0, 151.6, 143.2, 136.8, 131.7, 128.5, 128.0, 127.7, 126.9, 126.8, 122.3, 121.7, 119.8, 119.5, 118.5, 111.4, 40.7, 34.6, 34.2, 24.0, 24.0, 19.7; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{28}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{Na}$ ($M+23$) 447.2048, found 447.2048.

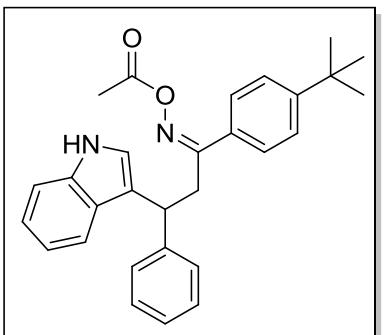
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White solid, 66% yield; mp 119-120 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.33 (brs, 1H), 7.51 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.31-7.12 (m, 10H), 7.06 (d, $J = 2.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.99 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 4.51 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 3.76 (dd, $J = 12.9, 6.7$ Hz, 1H), 3.68 (dd, $J = 12.9, 8.9$ Hz, 1H), 2.52 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 1.99 (s, 3H), 1.9 (n, $J = 6.74$ Hz, 1H), 0.94 (d, $J = 6.64$ Hz, 6H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 169.1, 165.3, 144.5, 143.1, 136.8, 131.5, 129.5, 128.4, 127.9, 127.4, 126.7, 126.7, 122.1, 121.7, 119.6, 119.6, 119.3, 118.1, 111.4, 45.3, 40.7, 34.6, 30.3, 22.5, 19.6; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{30}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{Na}$ ($M+23$) 461.2205, found 461.2224.

(Z)-1-(4-(tert-butyl)phenyl)-3-(1H-indol-3-yl)-3-phenylpropan-1-one

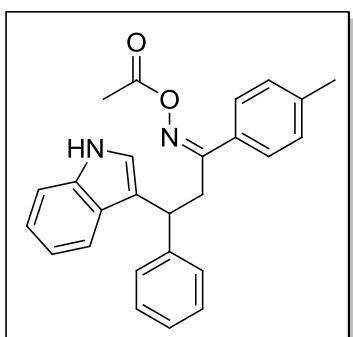
O-acetyl oxime (1o)



White solid, 70% yield; mp 110-112 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.15 (brs, 1H), 7.52-7.50 (m, 2H), 7.36 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.3 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.26-7.20 (m, 5H), 7.17-7.10 (m, 3H), 6.95 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 4.47 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 3.73 (dd, $J = 12.9, 6.9$ Hz, 1H), 3.65 (dd, $J = 12.9, 8.6$

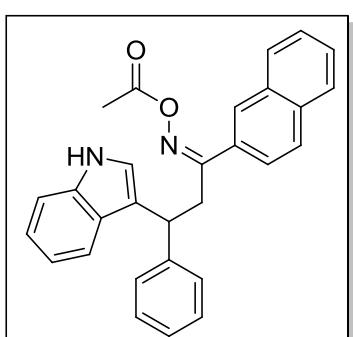
Hz, 1H), 1.92 (s, 3H), 1.32 (s, 9H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 169.1, 165.0, 153.9, 143.2, 136.8, 131.2, 128.4, 128.0, 127.4, 126.8, 125.7, 122.3, 121.7, 119.8, 119.5, 118.4, 111.4, 40.7, 34.9, 34.6, 31.4, 19.7; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{30}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{Na}$ ($M+23$) 461.2205, found 461.2208.

(Z)-3-(1H-indol-3-yl)-3-phenyl-1-(p-tolyl)propan-1-one O-acetyl oxime (5p)



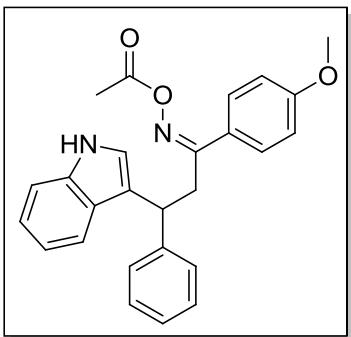
White solid, 52% yield; mp 135-137 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.25 (brs, 1H), 7.49 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.30-7.22 (m, 4H), 7.20-7.10 (m, 6H), 7.05 (d, $J = 2.1$ Hz, 1H), 6.96 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 4.46 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 3.73-3.62 (m, 2H), 2.37 (s, 3H), 1.95 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 169.1, 165.1, 143.2, 140.8, 136.8, 131.3, 129.5, 128.4, 128.0, 127.6, 126.7, 122.2, 121.7, 119.7, 119.4, 118.2, 111.4, 40.7, 34.5, 19.7, 21.5; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{24}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{Na}$ ($M+23$) 419.1736, found 419.1748.

(Z)-3-(1H-indol-3-yl)-1-(naphthalen-2-yl)-3-phenylpropan-1-one O-acetyl oxime (1q)



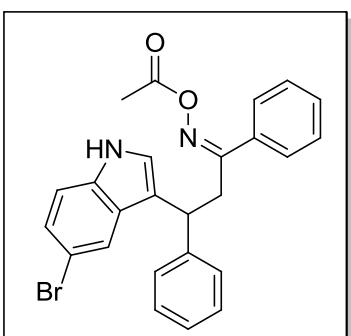
White solid, 73% yield; mp 161-163 °C, two isomers; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.14 (brs, 1H), 7.92 (s, 1H), 7.83-7.73 (m, 4H), 7.50 (p, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.31 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.27-7.19 (m, 5H), 7.16-7.00 (m, 3H), 6.95 (1H, t, $J = 7.48$ Hz, CH), 4.54 (1H, t, $J = 7.74$ Hz, CH), 3.82 (1H, dd, $J = 12.94, 7.0$ Hz, CH_2), 3.75 (1H, dd, $J = 12.9, 8.62$ Hz, CH_2), 1.99 (3H, s, CH_3); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 168.8, 164.8, 142.9, 136.7, 134.2, 132.9, 131.4, 128.8, 128.3, 127.8, 127.6, 127.2, 126.7, 126.6, 126.5, 124.3, 122.2, 121.6, 119.6, 119.4, 118.1, 111.2, 40.7, 34.4, 19.5; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{24}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{Na}$ ($M+23$) 455.1736, found 455.1752.

(Z)-3-(1H-indol-3-yl)-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-phenylpropan-1-one O-acetyl oxime (1r)



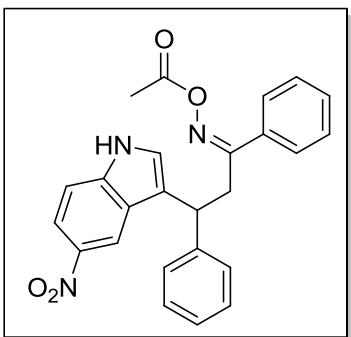
White solid, 80% yield; mp 138-139 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.06 (brs, 1H), 7.52 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.31 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.25-7.10 (m, 8H), 6.94 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.84 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 4.45 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.69 (dd, J = 12.9, 7.0 Hz, 1H), 3.62 (dd, J = 13.0, 8.7 Hz, 1H), 1.91 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 169.1, 164.5, 161.6, 143.2, 143.2, 136.8, 129.2, 128.5, 128.0, 126.8, 126.5, 122.3, 121.6, 119.8, 119.5, 118.4, 114.2, 111.4, 55.5, 40.8, 34.4, 19.7; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{24}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3\text{Na}$ ($M+23$) 435.1685, found 435.1694.

(Z)-3-(5-bromo-1H-indol-3-yl)-1,3-diphenylpropan-1-one O-acetyl oxime (1s)



White solid, 73% yield; mp 125-127°C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.39 (brs, 1H), 7.50 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.43-7.31 (m, 4H), 7.25-7.11 (m, 7H), 6.98 (d, J = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 4.37 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 3.73 (dd, J = 13.0, 7.3 Hz, 1H), 3.59 (dd, J = 13.0, 8.5 Hz, 1H), 2.01 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 169.1, 165.3, 142.6, 135.4, 134.1, 130.6, 128.8, 128.6, 128.4, 127.8, 127.6, 127.0, 125.1, 123.1, 122.1, 117.7, 112.9, 112.7, 40.4, 34.7, 19.8; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{21}\text{BrN}_2\text{O}_2\text{Na}$ ($M+23$) 483.0684, found 483.0697.

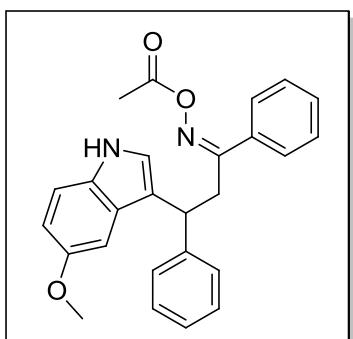
(Z)-3-(5-nitro-1H-indol-3-yl)-1,3-diphenylpropan-1-one O-acetyl oxime (1t)



Yellow solid, 66% yield; mp 174-177 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$) δ 11.74 (brs, 1H), 8.09 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 7.92 (dd, J = 9.0, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.55-7.53 (m, 2H), 7.48 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.45-7.43 (m, 1H), 7.38 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.28 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.22 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.14 (t, J = 7.16 Hz, 1H), 4.49 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 3.79-3.68 (m, 2H), 2.05 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (400 MHz, $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$) δ 168.4, 165.1, 143.4, 140.6, 139.9, 134.4, 130.8, 128.9, 128.7, 128.1, 127.7, 127.0,

126.9, 125.9, 119.9, 117.0, 116.1, 112.4, 39.9, 34.3, 19.8; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For C₂₅H₂₁N₃O₄Na (M+23) 450.1430, found 450.1431.

(Z)-3-(5-methoxy-1H-indol-3-yl)-1,3-diphenylpropan-1-one O-acetyl oxime (1u)



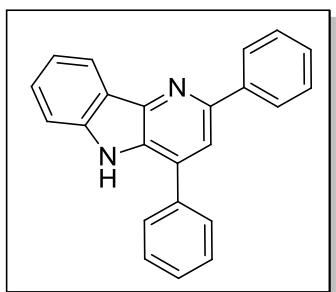
White solid, 80% yield; mp 144-146 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.27 (brs, 1H), 7.56 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.42 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.34 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.26-7.15 (m, 6H), 7.00 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 6.78 (dd, J = 8.8, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 6.66 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 4.41 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 3.74-3.60 (m, 5H), 2.00 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 169.0, 165.3, 153.8, 142.9, 134.1, 131.9, 130.5, 128.7, 128.4, 127.9, 127.6, 127.0, 126.8, 122.5, 117.7, 112.1, 101.7, 55.9, 40.6, 34.7, 19.7; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For C₂₆H₂₄N₂O₃Na (M+23) 435.1685, found 435.1678.

Synthesis of δ-carbolines 3a-3u

General procedure:

A mixture of indolyloxime esters **1a-1u** (1 mmol) and iodine (0.102g, 0.4 eq.) in 1,2-dimethoxyethane (1,2-DME, 5 mL) was heated to 100 °C. After completion of the reaction, the mixture was allowed to cool to ambient temperature and worked up with aq. Na₂S₂O₃ (1 mL) and aq. NaHCO₃ (1 mL). The reaction mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate (20 mL) for three times. The combined organic layer was dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: hexane/ethyl acetate = 12:1) to afford δ-carbolines **3a-3u** and minor mixture of α-carbolines **2a-2u**.

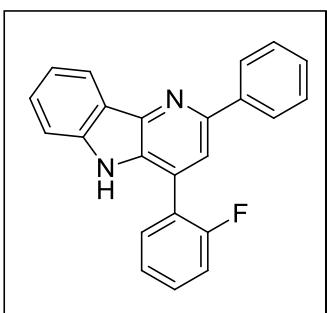
2,4-diphenyl-δ-caroline (3a)



White solid, 70% yield; mp 232-234 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.49 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 8.41 (brs, 1H), 8.17 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.8 (brs, 1H), 7.76 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.59 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.51 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 4H), 7.46-7.39 (m, 2H), 7.33 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 151.4, 143.1, 141.0, 140.7, 137.2, 132.4, 130.2, 129.7, 128.9, 128.9, 128.4, 128.3, 128.1, 127.4, 123.3, 121.6, 120.6, 117.4, 111.4. HRMS (EI) m/z calcd. For

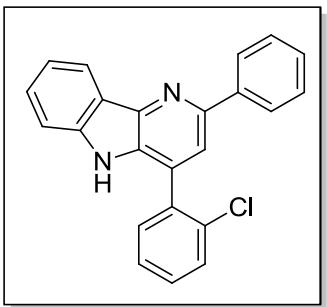
$C_{23}H_{16}N_2$ (M^+) 320.1313, found 320.1317.

4-(2-fluorophenyl)-2-phenyl- δ -carboline (3b)



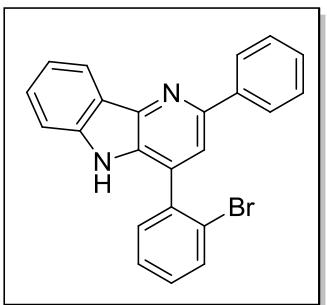
White solid, 66% yield; mp 258-259 °C; 1H NMR (400 MHz, $(CD_3)_2SO$) δ 11.42 (brs, 1H), 8.31 (1H, d, J = 7.8 Hz, CH), 8.27-8.25 (m, 2H), 7.97 (s, 1H), 7.80 (td, J = 7.6, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.66-7.61 (m, 1H), 7.58-7.39 (m, 7H), 7.31-7.24 (m, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $(CD_3)_2SO$) δ 159.9 (d, J_{C-F} = 247.3 Hz), 148.9, 142.2, 141.9, 140.1, 132.1, 132.1, 131.5 (d, J_{C-F} = 8.3 Hz), 130.7, 129.2, 128.4 (d, J_{C-F} = 24.3 Hz), 127.0, 126.9, 125.6 (d, J_{C-F} = 3.1 Hz), 124.4 (d, J_{C-F} = 15.3 Hz), 124.4, 122.0, 120.8, 120.1, 118.3, 116.8 (d, J_{C-F} = 21.5 Hz), 112.5. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $C_{23}H_{16}FN_2$ ($M+1$) 339.1292, found 339.1299.

4-(2-chlorophenyl)-2-phenyl- δ -carboline (3c)



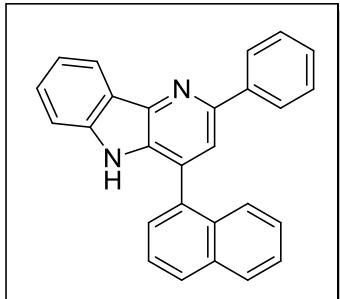
White solid, 63% yield; mp 253-255 °C; 1H NMR (400 MHz, $(CD_3)_2SO$) δ 11.37 (brs, 1H), 8.32 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 8.27-8.25 (m, 2H), 7.9 (s, 1H), 7.75-7.71 (m, 1H), 7.70-7.65 (m, 1H), 7.61-7.48 (m, 6H), 7.41-7.38 (m, 1H), 7.31-7.27 (m, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $(CD_3)_2SO$) δ 148.6, 142.1, 141.9, 140.1, 135.8, 132.9, 132.3, 130.9, 130.8, 130.4, 129.2, 128.5, 128.2, 127.0, 122.1, 121.8, 120.1, 118.2, 112.6. HRMS (EI) m/z calcd. For $C_{23}H_{16}ClN_2$ ($M+1$) 355.1002, found 355.1009.

4-(2-bromophenyl)-2-phenyl- δ -carboline (3d)



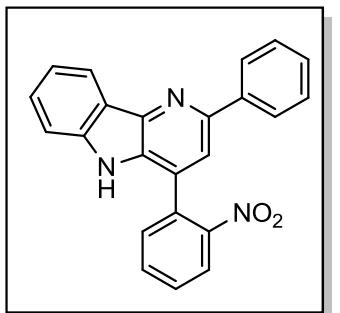
White solid, 46% yield; mp 266-267°C; 1H NMR (400 MHz, $(CD_3)_2SO$) δ 11.30 (brs, 1H), 8.28 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 8.44-8.22 (m, 2H), 7.88-7.86 (m, 1H), 7.85 (s, 1H), 7.64-7.57 (m, 2H), 7.52-7.46 (m, 5H), 7.40-7.35 (m, 1H), 7.28-7.24 (m, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $(CD_3)_2SO$) δ 148.6, 142.2, 141.9, 140.1, 137.8, 133.5, 132.2, 132.1, 131.0, 130.6, 129.2, 128.7, 128.5, 128.2, 126.9, 123.1, 122.2, 120.7, 120.1, 118.1, 112.6. HRMS (EI) m/z calcd. For $C_{23}H_{16}BrN_2$ ($M+1$) 399.0491, found 399.0493.

4-(naphthalen-1-yl)-2-phenyl-δ-carboline (3e)



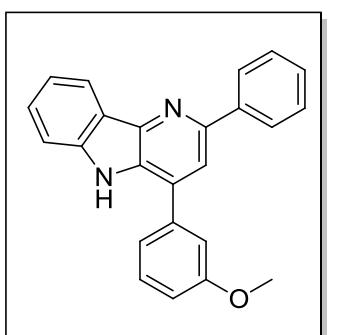
White solid, 59% yield; mp 242-243 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.53 (d, $J = 7.84$ Hz, 1H), 8.18 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 2H), 8.00-7.99 (m, 3H), 7.87 (s, 1H), 7.70 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.66-7.60 (m, 2H), 7.43-7.38 (m, 2H), 7.57-7.46 (m, 4H), 7.35-7.29 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 151.0, 142.7, 140.9, 140.6, 134.5, 134.1, 131.4, 131.1, 129.4, 128.9, 128.9, 128.3, 128.1, 127.7, 127.4, 127.2, 126.7, 125.9, 125.7, 123.2, 121.6, 120.6, 119.3, 111.4. HRMS (EI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{19}\text{N}_2$ ($M+1$) 371.1548, found 371.1556.

4-(2-nitrophenyl)-2-phenyl-δ-carboline (3f)



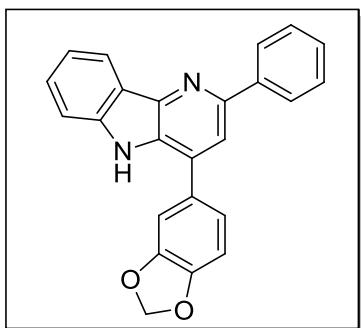
Yellow solid; mp 280-281 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$) δ 11.40 (s, 1H), 8.31-8.28 (m, 2H), 8.23-8.21 (m, 2H), 7.93 (td, $J = 7.5, 1.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.88 (s, 1H), 7.84-7.77 (m, 2H), 7.52-7.47 (m, 4H), 7.38 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.29-7.26 (m, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$) δ 148.8, 148.7, 141.9, 141.9, 139.9, 134.6, 133.2, 131.6, 130.8, 130.6, 129.9, 129.2, 128.5, 128.2, 126.9, 125.4, 122.2, 120.8, 120.3, 116.9, 112.5. HRMS (EI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{15}\text{N}_3\text{O}_2$ (M^+) 365.3841.

4-(3-methoxyphenyl)-2-phenyl-δ-carboline (3g)



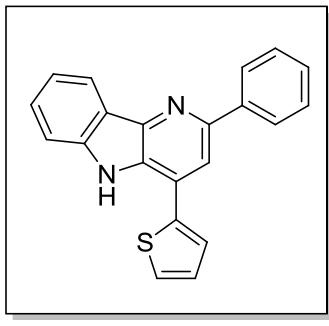
White solid, 70% yield; mp 179-181 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.49 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 8.41 (s, 1H), 8.17 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.8 (s, 1H), 7.59 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.53-7.38 (m, 6H), 7.35-7.27 (m, 3H), 7.04 (dd, $J = 8.1, 1.9$ Hz, 1H), 3.89 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 160.6, 151.4, 143.1, 141.0, 140.7, 138.6, 132.2, 130.8, 130.2, 128.9, 128.2, 128.1, 127.4, 123.3, 121.6, 120.6, 120.6, 117.3, 114.2, 111.4, 55.7. HRMS (EI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{19}\text{N}_2\text{O}$ ($M+1$) 351.1492, found 351.1498.

4-(benzo[d][1,3]dioxol-5-yl)-2-phenyl-δ-carboline (3h)



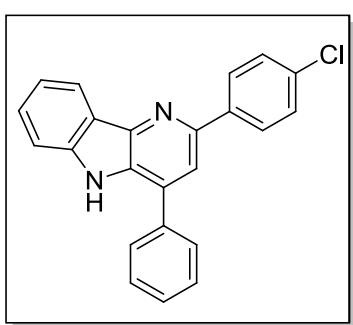
White solid, 68% yield; mp 221-222 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.47 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 8.34 (brs, 1H), 8.15 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 2H), 7.52-7.44 (m, 4H), 7.74 (s, 1H), 7.39 (t, $J = 7.26$ Hz, 1H), 7.33 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.24 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 2H), 7.01 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.08 (s, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 151.5, 148.9, 148.4, 143.1, 141.0, 140.8, 132.1, 130.2, 128.9, 128.2, 128.1, 127.4, 123.4, 122.1, 121.6, 120.6, 117.2, 111.4, 109.5, 108.7, 101.8. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{17}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$ ($M+1$) 365.1290, found 365.1288.

2-phenyl-4-(thiophen-2-yl)-δ-carboline (3i)



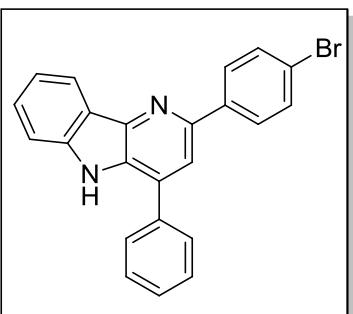
White solid, 73% yield; mp 249-250 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.52 (brs, 1H), 8.46 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 8.15 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.88 (s, 1H), 7.59 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.52-7.46 (m, 5H), 7.40 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.34-7.31 (m, 1H), 7.25-7.24 (m, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 151.3, 143.6, 141.1, 140.5, 138.9, 129.2, 128.9, 128.6, 128.3, 128.3, 127.4, 126.9, 126.5, 125.2, 123.3, 121.6, 120.9, 116.2, 111.6; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{15}\text{N}_2\text{S}$ ($M+1$) 327.0596, found 327.0597.

2-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-phenyl-δ-carboline (3j)



White solid, 63% yield; mp 310-311 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$) δ 11.49 (brs, 1H), 8.32-8.26 (m, 3H), 8.41 (s, 1H), 8.17 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 8.00 (s, 1H), 7.91-7.89 (m, 2H), 7.65-7.49 (m, 7H), 7.27 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$) δ 148.0, 142.7, 142.2, 139.1, 136.8, 133.2, 132.4, 130.3, 129.7, 129.2, 129.1, 129.1, 128.7, 128.19, 122.2, 120.7, 120.2, 116.9, 112.8. HRMS (EI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{16}\text{ClN}_2$ ($M+1$) 355.1002, found 355.1010.

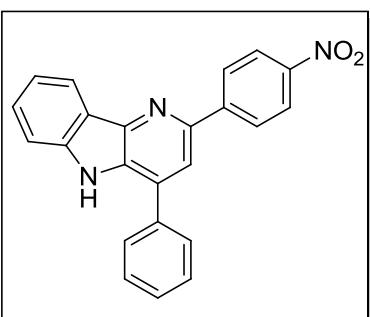
2-(4-bromophenyl)-4-phenyl-δ-carboline (3k)



White solid, 68% yield; mp 315-317 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$) δ 11.52 (brs, 1H), 8.30-8.25 (m, 3H), 8.00 (s, 1H), 7.93-7.91 (m, 2H), 7.77-7.51 (m, 7H), 7.29 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$) δ 148.0, 142.7, 142.2, 139.4, 136.8, 132.4, 131.9, 130.3, 129.7, 129.2, 129.1, 129.1, 128.2, 122.2, 121.9, 120.8, 120.2, 116.9,

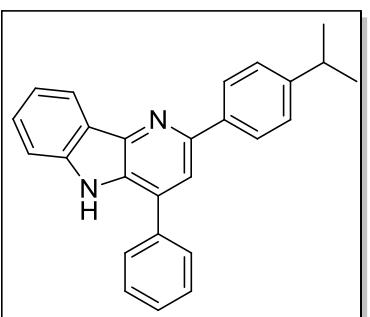
112.8. HRMS (EI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{15}\text{BrN}_2$ (M^+) 398.0419, found 398.0418.

2-(4-nitrophenyl)-4-phenyl-δ-carboline (3l)



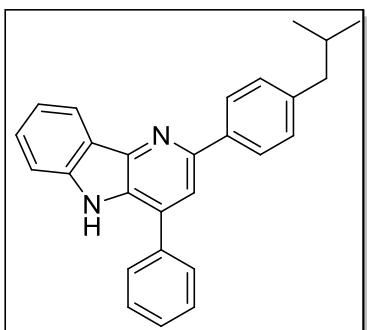
Yellow solid, 66% yield; mp 315-316 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$) δ 11.64 (brs, 1H), 8.59-8.55 (m, 2H), 8.35-8.31 (m, 3H), 8.16 (s, 1H), 7.94-7.92 (m, 2H), 7.68-7.54 (m, 5H), 7.32 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$) δ 147.3, 146.6, 146.4, 143.1, 142.4, 132.4, 136.5, 130.7, 129.7, 129.3, 129.2, 128.5, 127.8, 124.3, 122.1, 120.9, 120.5, 118.0, 112.9. HRMS (EI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{15}\text{N}_3\text{O}_2$ (M^+) 365.3841

2-(4-isopropylphenyl)-4-phenyl-δ-carboline (3m)



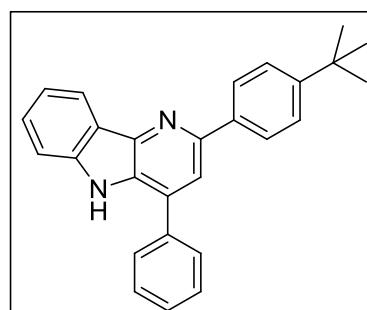
White solid, mp 245-247 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$) δ 11.45 (brs, 1H), 8.29 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 8.18 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.95 (s, 1H), 7.92 (d, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.65 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.62-7.50 (m, 3H), 7.38 (2H, d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, CH), 7.28 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 2.95 (sep, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 1H), 1.26 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 6H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$) δ 149.6, 148.7, 142.6, 142.1, 138.0, 136.9, 132.4, 130.0, 129.7, 129.1, 129.1, 128.0, 127.1, 127.0, 122.3, 120.7, 120.1, 116.8, 112.8, 33.7, 24.3. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{23}\text{N}_2$ ($\text{M}+1$) 363.1861, found 363.1859.

2-(4-isobutylphenyl)-4-phenyl-δ-carboline (3n)



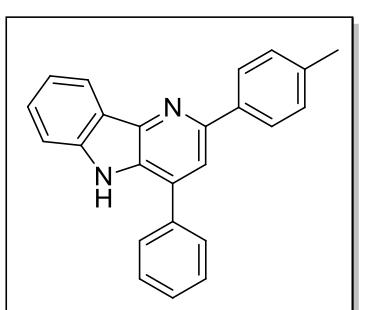
White solid, 68% yield; mp 254-255 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.50 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 8.29 (brs, 1H), 8.08 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.80 (s, 1H), 7.77 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.61 (t, $J = 7.54$ Hz, 2H), 7.54-7.50 (m, 2H), 7.45 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.34 (t, $J = 7.44$ Hz, 1H), 7.29 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 2.56 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 1.94 (sep, $J = 6.7$ Hz, 1H), 0.95 (d, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 151.5, 142.9, 141.8, 140.8, 138.1, 137.1, 132.2, 129.8, 129.5, 129.5, 128.8, 128.2, 127.8, 126.9, 123.2, 121.4, 120.4, 117.1, 111.1, 45.2, 30.3, 22.4; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{25}\text{N}_2$ ($M+1$) 377.2018, found 377.2015.

2-(4-(tert-butyl)phenyl)-4-phenyl-δ-carboline (3o)



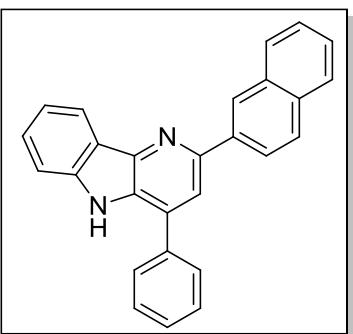
White solid, 63% yield; mp 284-285 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.49 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 8.36 (brs, 1H), 8.09 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.79 (brs, 1H), 7.77-7.75 (m, 2H), 7.6 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.55-7.49 (m, 4H), 7.45 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.34 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 1.40 (s, 9H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 151.6, 151.3, 143.1, 140.9, 138.0, 137.3, 132.3, 130.1, 129.7, 128.9, 128.4, 127.9, 127.1, 125.9, 123.4, 121.6, 120.6, 117.3, 111.4, 34.8, 31.6; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{25}\text{N}_2$ ($M+1$) 377.2018, found 377.2019.

4-phenyl-2-(p-tolyl)-δ-carboline (3p)



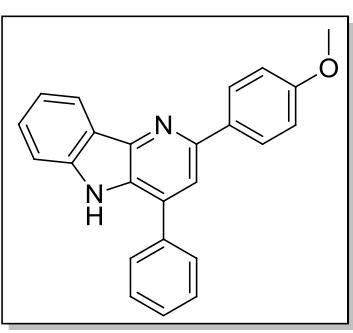
White solid, 67% yield; mp 304-305 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$) δ 11.45 (brs, 1H), 8.30 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 8.19 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.96 (s, 1H), 7.92 (d, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.68-7.50 (m, 5H), 7.77-7.51 (m, 7H), 7.33-7.20 (m, 3H), 2.38 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$) δ 149.5, 142.6, 142.1, 137.7, 137.5, 136.9, 132.4, 130.01, 129.7, 129.7, 129.1, 129.1, 127.9, 126.9, 122.3, 120.7, 120.1, 116.7, 112.7, 21.3. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{19}\text{N}_2$ ($M+1$) 335.1548 found 335.1556.

2-(naphthalen-2-yl)-4-phenyl-δ-carboline (3q)



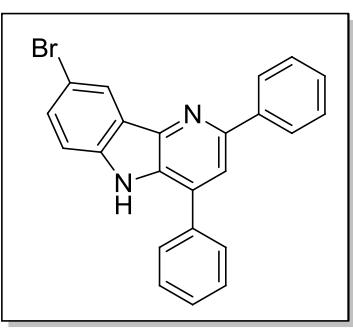
Yellow solid, 65% yield; mp 286-287 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$) δ 11.53 (brs, 1H), 8.84 (s, 1H), 8.56 (dd, $J = 8.6, 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 8.37 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 8.21 (s, 1H), 8.08 (t, $J = 8.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.98 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 3H), 7.71-7.52 (m, 7H), 7.32 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$) δ 149.2, 142.8, 142.2, 137.7, 136.9, 133.8, 133.3, 132.5, 130.3, 129.7, 129.2, 129.2, 128.9, 128.5, 128.1, 128.1, 128.0, 126.8, 126.6, 125.8, 125.4, 122.4, 120.8, 120.2, 117.4, 112.8,. HRMS (EI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_2$ (M^+) 370.1470, found 370.1468.

2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-4-phenyl-δ-carboline (3r)



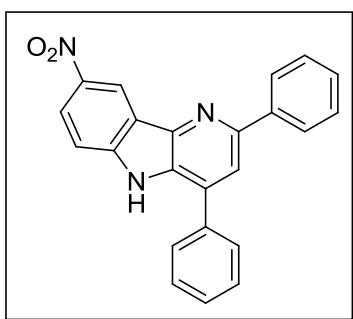
White solid, 80% yield; mp 288-290 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$) δ 11.38 (brs, 1H), 8.29-8.19 (m, 3H), 7.90-7.88 (s, 2H), 7.65-7.47 (m5H), 7.25 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.05 (d, $J = 8.6$ Hz, 2H), 3.81 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$) δ 159.9, 149.4, 142.5, 142.1, 137.0, 132.9, 132.4, 129.8, 129.7, 129.1, 129.1, 128.3, 127.9, 122.3, 120.7, 120.0, 116.4, 114.5, 112.7, 55.7. HRMS (EI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_2\text{O}$ (M^+) 350.1419, found 350.1422.

8-bromo-2,4-diphenyl-δ-carboline (3s)



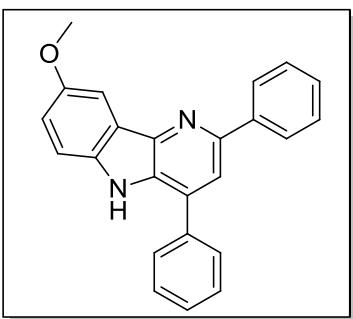
White solid, 70% yield; mp 219-222 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$) δ 11.63 (brs, 1H), 8.38 (d, $J = 1.9$ Hz, 1H), 8.29-8.27 (m, 2H), 8.02 (s, 1H), 7.91-7.89 (m, 2H), 7.66-7.62 (m, 3H), 7.58-7.54 (m, 2H), 7.50 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.40 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$) δ 150.0, 141.3, 140.7, 139.9, 136.6, 133.0, 130.7, 130.4, 129.7, 129.3, 129.1, 129.1, 128.6, 127.1, 124.1, 122.9, 117.7, 114.9, 112.3; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{16}\text{BrN}_2$ ($\text{M}+1$) 399.0491, found 399.0484.

8-nitro-2,4-diphenyl-δ-carboline (3t)



Yellow solid, 60% yield; mp 254-256 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, (CD₃)₂SO) δ 12.18 (brs, 1H), 9.07 (d, *J* = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 8.36 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 8.30 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 8.08 (s, 1H), 7.89 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.72-7.51 (m, 6H), 7.44 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1H), ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, (CD₃)₂SO) δ 151.1, 144.9, 142.3, 139.6, 136.1, 133.9, 131.8, 129.8, 129.6, 129.2, 128.9, 127.3, 123.2, 121.9, 118.5, 117.2, 113.2; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For C₂₃H₁₆N₃O₂ (M+1) 366.1243, found 366.1243.

8-methoxy-2,4-diphenyl-δ-carboline (3u)



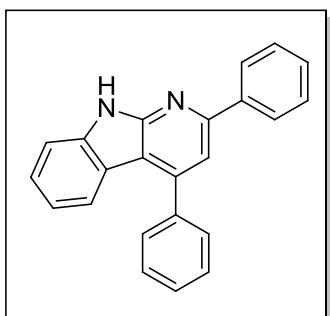
White solid, 76% yield; mp 259-260 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, (CD₃)₂SO) δ 11.27 (brs, 1H), 8.27 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.95 (brs, 1H), 7.90 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.73 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.56-7.48 (m, 4H), 7.38 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.14 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 3.89 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, (CD₃)₂SO) δ 154.2, 149.0, 142.5, 140.3, 137.0, 136.9, 132.4, 130.7, 129.7, 129.1, 129.1, 129.0, 128.4, 127.1, 122.6, 118.1, 116.8, 113.7, 102.2, 56.0. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For C₂₄H₁₉N₂O (M+1) 351.1492, found 351.1493.

Synthesis of α-carbolines 2a-2u

General procedure:

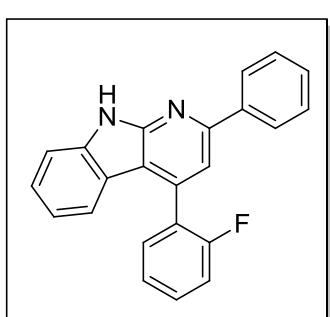
A mixture of indolyloxime esters **1a-1u** (1 mmol) and 2,3-Dichloro-5,6-dicyano-1,4-benzoquinone (DDQ, 0.227g, 1 eq.) in 1,2-dichloroethane (1,2-DCE, 10 mL) was stirred at ambient temperature for 30 min, followed by addition of iodine (0.508g, 20 mol%) and the reaction mixture was heated to 60 °C. After completion of the reaction, the mixture was allowed to cool to ambient temperature and diluted with ethyl acetate (50 mL). The reaction mixture was washed with aq. 1M NaOH (10 mL) for two times. The combined water layer was extracted with ethyl acetate (20 mL) for three times. The combined organic layer was dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: hexane/ethyl acetate = 12:1) to afford α-carbolines **2a-2u**.

2,4-diphenyl- α -carboline (2a)



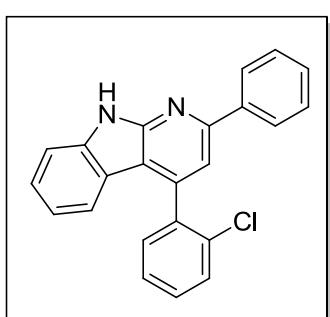
White solid, 70% yield; mp 216.5-217.5°C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3), δ 11.81 (brs, 1H), 8.24 (td, J = 6.2, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 7.78-7.77 (m, 2H), 7.49-7.46 (m, 8H), 7.22 (td, J = 7.8, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 6.96 (td, J = 7.7, 0.6 Hz, 1H), 6.55 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR δ 154.5, 153.5, 146.4, 140.4, 139.6, 139.5, 129.3, 129.0, 128.9, 128.9, 128.8, 128.0, 126.6, 122.5, 120.8, 119.7, 114.6, 113.1, 111.6; HRMS (EI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{16}\text{N}_2$ (M^+) 320.1313, found 320.1313.

4-(2-fluorophenyl)-2-phenyl- α -carboline (2b)



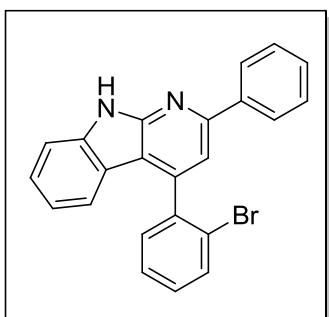
White solid, 77% yield; mp 250-251 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 11.79 (brs, 1H), 8.21 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.65-7.47 (m, 6H), 7.41-7.30 (m, 3H), 7.18 (t, J = 7.58 Hz, 1H), 6.98 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.55 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100MHz, CDCl_3) δ 160.9, 158.5, 154.2, 153.0, 140.1, 139.4, 131.2, 131.2, 130.6, 130.6, 129.1, 128.8, 127.8, 126.8, 126.6, 126.5, 124.5, 122.0, 120.6, 119.8, 116.3, 116.1, 114.9, 113.7, 111.3; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{16}\text{N}_2\text{F}$ ($\text{M}+1$) 339.1298, found 339.1300.

4-(2-chlorophenyl)-2-phenyl- α -carboline (2c)



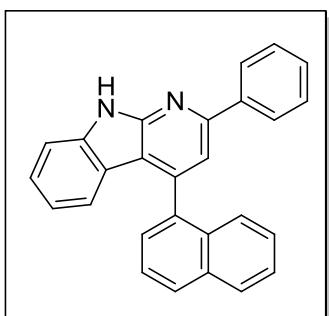
White solid, 90% yield; mp 243-244 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 11.42 (brs, 1H), 8.22 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.66-7.64 (m, 1H), 7.58-7.45 (m, 7H), 7.21 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.15 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.98 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.67 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100MHz, CDCl_3) δ 154.3, 153.2, 142.9, 140.3, 139.6, 138.0, 133.2, 130.9, 130.2, 130.1, 129.4, 129.0, 128.1, 127.3, 126.7, 122.2, 120.7, 119.9, 114.7, 113.9, 111.6; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{16}\text{N}_2\text{Cl}$ ($\text{M}+1$) 355.1002, found 355.1002.

4-(2-bromophenyl)-2-phenyl- α -carboline (2d)



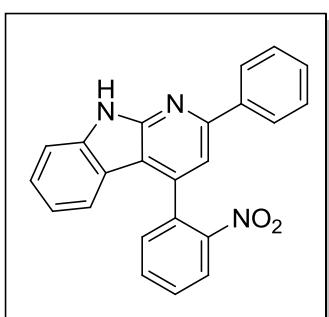
Brown solid, 85% yield; mp 254-255 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 11.73 (brs, 1H), 8.24 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.84 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.58-7.49 (m, 6H), 7.45-7.40 (m, 1H), 7.19 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.11 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 6.97 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.58 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100MHz, CDCl_3) δ 154.3, 153.1, 144.5, 140.3, 140.0, 139.5, 133.4, 130.9, 130.2, 129.3, 129.0, 128.0, 127.9, 126.7, 122.8, 122.3, 120.7, 120.0, 114.5, 113.7, 111.5; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{16}\text{N}_2\text{Br}$ ($M+1$) 399.0497, found 399.0497.

4-(naphthalen-1-yl)-2-phenyl- α -carboline (2e)



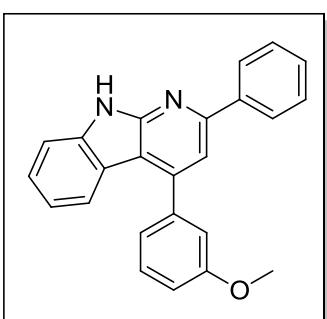
White solid, 57% yield; mp 247-248 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 12.07 (brs, 1H), 8.29 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 8.07 (dd, J = 6.9, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 8.03 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.75-7.67 (m, 4H), 7.59-7.49 (m, 4H), 7.36 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.13-7.09 (m, 1H), 6.79-6.73 (m, 2H), 6.53 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100MHz, CDCl_3) δ 154.1, 153.1, 144.3, 140.1, 139.4, 136.8, 133.6, 131.1, 129.2, 128.8, 128.8, 128.4, 127.8, 126.6, 126.5, 126.3, 126.2, 125.9, 125.5, 122.4, 120.6, 119.6, 115.4, 114.6, 111.2; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{19}\text{N}_2$ ($M+1$) 371.1548, found 371.1549.

4-(2-nitrophenyl)-2-phenyl- α -carboline (2f)



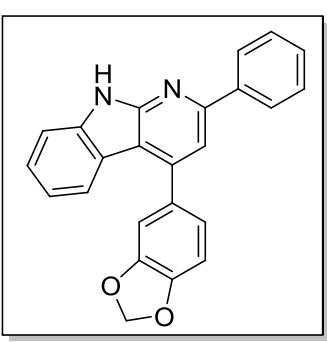
Yellow solid, 93% yield; mp 238-239 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 11.83 (brs, 1H), 8.26 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 8.20 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.81 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.57-7.50 (m, 4H), 7.17 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.02 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 6.93 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.54 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100MHz, CDCl_3) δ 154.6, 153.0, 148.7, 141.6, 140.1, 139.6, 134.3, 133.6, 132.0, 129.8, 129.4, 129.1, 128.1, 126.9, 125.1, 121.5, 120.3, 120.1, 113.3, 111.8; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{16}\text{N}_3\text{O}_2$ ($M+1$) 366.1243, found 366.1242.

4-(3-methoxyphenyl)-2-phenyl- α -carboline (2g)



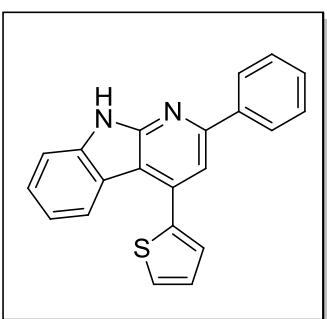
Yellow solid, 71% yield; mp 194-195 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 11.91 (brs, 1H), 8.25-8.23 (m, 2H), 7.69 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (s, 1H), 7.59-7.49 (m, 4H), 7.36 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.31-7.30 (m, 1H), 7.21-7.17 (m, 1H), 7.11 (dd, J = 8.2, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 7.00 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.54 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 3.90 (3H, s, CH_3); ^{13}C NMR (100MHz, CDCl_3) δ 159.9, 154.3, 153.1, 145.9, 140.6, 140.1, 139.3, 129.9, 129.1, 128.8, 127.7, 126.4, 122.5, 121.1, 120.6, 119.6, 114.5, 114.3, 114.0, 112.7, 111.2, 55.4; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{19}\text{N}_2\text{O}$ ($\text{M}+1$) 351.1497, found 351.1500.

4-(benzo[d][1,3]dioxol-5-yl)-2-phenyl- α -carboline (2h)



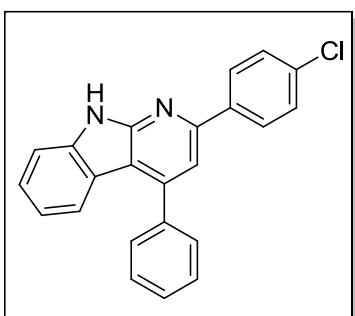
White solid, 82% yield; mp 242-243 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 11.41 (brs, 1H), 8.19 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.74 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.56-7.48 (m, 4H), 7.25-7.19 (m, 3H), 7.04-7.01 (m, 2H), 6.66 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 6.10 (s, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100MHz, CDCl_3) δ 154.5, 153.5, 148.3, 148.2, 146.0, 140.4, 139.5, 133.3, 129.3, 129.0, 127.9, 126.6, 122.7, 122.6, 120.8, 119.7, 114.6, 113.0, 111.5, 109.5, 108.9, 101.6; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{17}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$ ($\text{M}+1$) 365.1290, found 365.1290.

2-phenyl-4-(thiophen-2-yl)- α -carboline (2i)



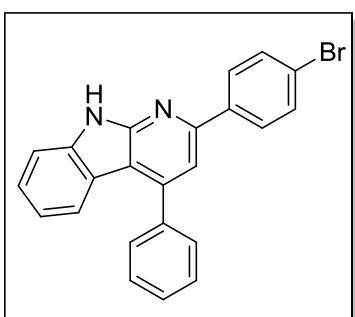
White solid, 73% yield; mp 249-250 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 11.37 (brs, 1H), 8.20 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 8.00 (d, J = 8.06 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (s, 1H), 7.62 (dd, J = 3.5, 0.7 Hz, 1,), 7.57-7.48 (m, 4H), 7.29 (dd, J = 5.0, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 7.23 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 1,), 7.06 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.66 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100MHz, CDCl_3) δ 154.2, 153.4, 140.3, 139.9, 139.3, 138.7, 129.1, 128.9, 127.8, 127.7, 127.7, 126.6, 122.3, 120.5, 119.6, 115.1, 112.9, 111.4; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{15}\text{N}_2\text{S}$ ($\text{M}+1$) 327.0956, found 327.0955.

2-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-phenyl- α -carboline (2j)



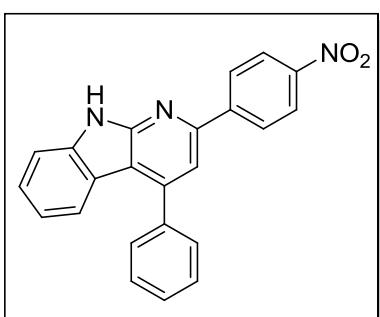
White solid, 96% yield; mp 271-273 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$) δ 12.11 (brs, 1H), 8.23 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.80 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.69 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.54-7.50 (m, 4H), 7.46-7.40 (m, 2H), 7.06 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100MHz, $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$) δ 153.6, 153.1, 144.2, 140.1, 139.6, 137.9, 134.1, 131.0, 129.4, 129.3, 129.2, 127.4, 127.0, 122.2, 120.1, 119.9, 113.3, 111.9, 111.7; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{16}\text{N}_2\text{Cl}$ ($M+1$) 355.1002, found 355.0999.

2-(4-bromophenyl)-4-phenyl- α -carboline (2k)



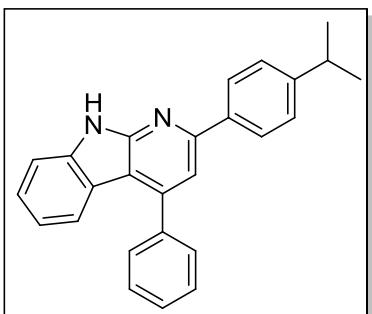
White solid, 80% yield; mp 287-288 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$) δ 12.11 (brs, 1H), 8.20 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.78-7.76 (m, 2H), 7.70-7.68 (m, 2H), 7.65-7.59 (m, 3H), 7.53 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.41 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100MHz, $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$) δ 152.4, 151.6, 145.1, 139.6, 138.4, 138.3, 131.5, 1288, 128.7, 128.7, 128.5, 126.5, 122.2, 121.7, 119.7, 119.2, 112.7, 111.6, 111.3; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{16}\text{N}_2\text{Br}$ ($M+1$) 399.0497, found 399.0498.

2-(4-nitrophenyl)-4-phenyl- α -carboline (2l)



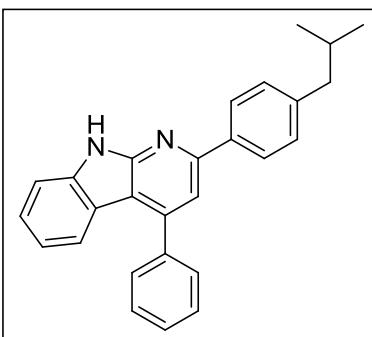
Yellow solid, 96% yield; mp 296-297 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$) δ 12.19 (brs, 1H), 8.49 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 8.31 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.81 (s, 1H), 7.78-7.75 (m, 2H), 7.66-7.58 (m, 3H), 7.55-7.53 (m, 2H), 7.43 (t, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.04 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100MHz, $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$) δ 152.9, 150.6, 147.8, 145.7, 145.6, 140.5, 138.7, 129.4, 129.3, 129.3, 129.1, 128.3, 127.6, 124.3, 122.5, 120.0, 119.9, 114.4, 113.1, 111.9; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{16}\text{N}_3\text{O}_2$ ($M+1$) 366.1243, found 366.1241.

2-(4-isopropylphenyl)-4-phenyl- α -carboline (2m)



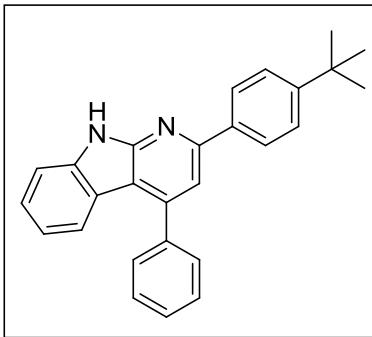
White solid, 52% yield; mp 272-273 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 12.55 (brs, 1H), 8.18 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.78 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.63-7.54 (m, 5H), 7.44 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.11 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.96 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.29 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 3.05 (sep, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 1.37 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 6H); ^{13}C NMR (100MHz, CDCl_3) δ 154.7, 153.7, 150.0, 146.4, 139.7, 139.6, 138.2, 128.9, 128.8, 128.2, 127.5, 126.3, 122.3, 120.7, 119.5, 114.4, 112.9, 111.7, 34.31, 24.3; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{23}\text{N}_2$ ($\text{M}+1$) 363.1861, found 363.1858.

2-(4-isobutylphenyl)-4-phenyl- α -carboline (2n)



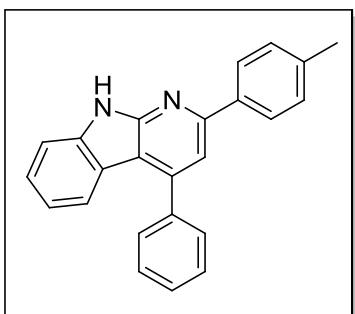
White solid, 61% yield; mp 241.5-242.2°C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 11.47 (brs, 1H), 8.13 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.75 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.62-7.54 (m, 5H), 7.32 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.17 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.90 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.70 (1H, d, J = 8.0 Hz, CH), 2.58 (2H, d, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 1.96 (n, J = 6.7 Hz, 1H), 0.98 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 6H); ^{13}C NMR δ 154.6, 153.5, 146.3, 142.9, 139.5, 137.8, 130.1, 128.9, 128.8, 127.7, 126.4, 122.4, 120.8, 119.6, 114.4, 112.8, 111.6, 45.4, 30.5, 22.7.; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{25}\text{N}_2$ ($\text{M}+1$) 377.2012, found 377.2018.

2-(4-(tert-butyl)phenyl)-4-phenyl- α -carboline (2o)



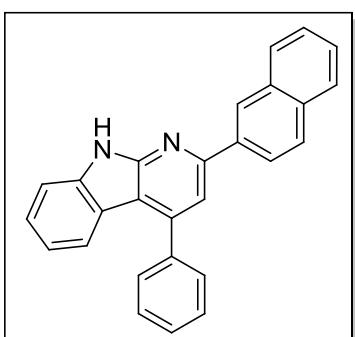
White solid, 60% yield; mp 237-238 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 12.45 (brs, 1H), 8.18 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.77 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 2H), 7.63-7.56 (m, 7H), 7.10 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.96 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.30 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 1.43 (s, 9H); ^{13}C NMR (100MHz, CDCl_3) δ 154.7, 153.6, 152.2, 146.3, 139.6, 139.6, 137.7, 128.9, 128.8, 127.9, 126.3, 122.3, 120.7, 119.5, 114.5, 112.9, 111.7, 34.9, 31.6; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{25}\text{N}_2$ ($\text{M}+1$) 377.2018, found 377.2021.

4-phenyl-2-(p-tolyl)- α -carboline (2p)



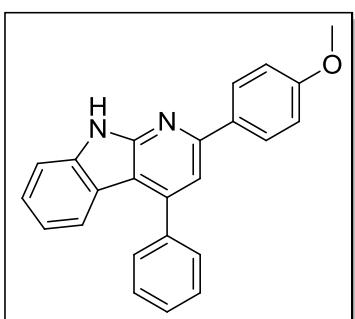
White solid, 60% yield; mp 252-254 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$) δ 12.05 (brs, 1H), 8.12 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.77-7.75 (m, 2H), 7.65-7.56 (m, 4H), 7.54-7.51 (m, 2H), 7.39 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.30 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.02 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 2.36 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100MHz, $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$) δ 153.6, 153.1, 145.5, 139.9, 139.2, 138.7, 136.9, 129.8, 129.3, 129.2, 129.1, 127.2, 126.8, 122.1, 120.4, 119.7, 113.0, 111.8, 111.6, 21.1; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{19}\text{N}_2$ ($M+1$) 335.1548, found 355.1548.

2-(naphthalen-2-yl)-4-phenyl- α -carboline (2q)



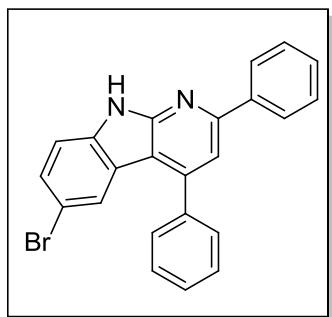
White solid, 73% yield; mp 276-277 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$) δ 12.14 (brs, 1H), 8.22 (s, 1H), 8.45 (dd, $J = 8.6, 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 8.08-8.04 (m, 2H), 7.97-7.95 (m, 1H), 7.87 (s, 1H), 7.83-7.81 (m, 2H), 7.68-7.53 (m, 7H), 7.42 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.05 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100MHz, $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$) δ 153.3, 153.2, 145.7, 140.1, 139.2, 137.1, 133.7, 133.6, 129.3, 129.3, 129.1, 129.1, 128.6, 128.0, 127.0, 127.0, 126.9, 126.5, 125.2, 122.2, 120.4, 119.8, 113.7, 112.0, 111.9; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{19}\text{N}_2$ ($M+1$) 371.1548, found 371.1548.

2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-4-phenyl- α -carboline (2r)



White solid, 54% yield; mp 236-237 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 11.63 (brs, 1H), 8.18 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 2H), 7.78-7.75 (m, 2H), 7.62-7.54 (m, 5H), 7.23-7.19 (m, 1H), 7.07 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 2H), 6.99 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.72 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 3.89 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100MHz, CDCl_3) δ 160.7, 154.4, 153.4, 146.3, 139.6, 139.4, 133.0, 129.1, 128.9, 128.8, 126.4, 122.5, 121.1, 119.8, 114.7, 114.0, 112.5, 111.5, 55.7; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{19}\text{N}_2\text{O}$ ($M+1$) 351.1497, found 351.1497.

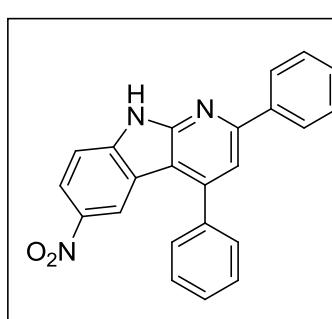
6-bromo-2,4-diphenyl- α -carboline (2s)



White solid, 82% yield; mp 259-260 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$) δ 12.28 (brs, 1H), 8.24 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.77 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 2H), 7.70-7.59 (m, 5H), 7.55-7.43 (m, 5H); ^{13}C NMR (100MHz, $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$) δ 154.5, 153.2, 146.1, 139.5, 138.7, 138.7, 129.5, 129.5, 129.4, 129.4, 129.2, 129.0, 127.5, 124.3, 122.2, 113.9, 113.7, 111.6, 110.9;

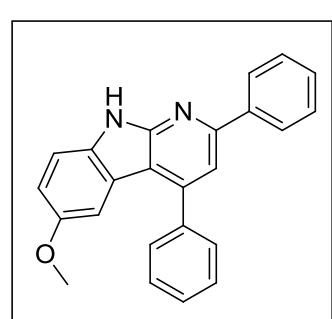
HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{16}\text{N}_2\text{Br}$ ($\text{M}+1$) 399.0497, found 399.0497.

6-nitro-2,4-diphenyl- α -carboline (2t)



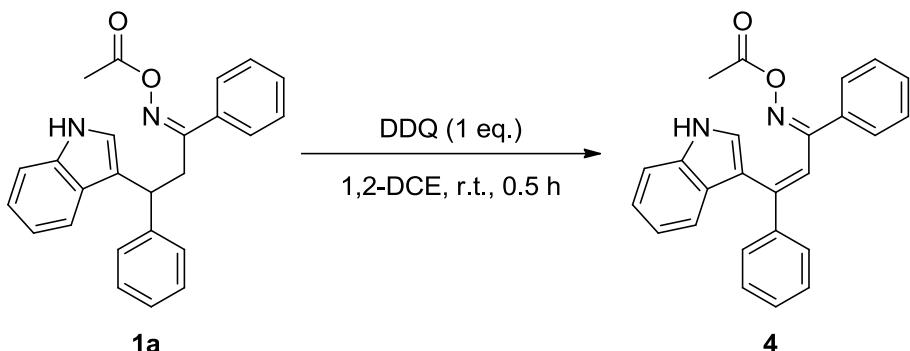
Pale yellow solid, 77% yield; mp 272-273 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 12.78 (brs, 1H), 8.60 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 8.22-8.20 (m, 2H), 8.06 (dd, J = 9.0, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 7.78-7.76 (m, 2H), 7.69-7.59 (m, 7H), 6.28 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100MHz, CDCl_3) δ 156.4, 154.6, 147.9, 143.0, 141.4, 139.8, 137.9, 129.9, 129.8, 129.7, 129.5, 128.6, 128.3, 122.3, 120.4, 119.2, 116.2, 113.3, 111.3; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{16}\text{N}_3\text{O}_2$ ($\text{M}+1$) 366.1243, found 366.1241.

6-methoxy-2,4-diphenyl- α -carboline (2u)



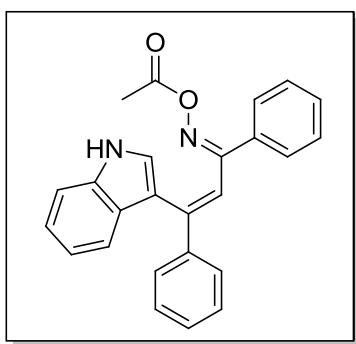
White solid, 65% yield; mp 201-202 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 12.06 (brs, 1H), 8.24 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 7.77 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.62-7.49 (m, 7H), 7.11 (d, J = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 6.83 (dd, J = 8.8, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 6.37 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 3.66 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100MHz, CDCl_3) δ 154.4, 153.9, 153.6, 146.4, 140.4, 139.3, 134.5, 129.3, 128.9, 128.9, 128.9, 128.9, 128.3, 121.1, 115.4, 114.1, 113.1, 112.2, 105.7, 55.8; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{19}\text{N}_2\text{O}$ ($\text{M}+1$) 351.1497, found 351.1500.

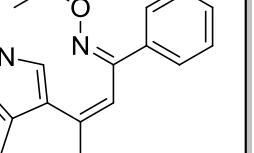
Synthesis of alkenyl oxime ester 4



A mixture of indolyloxime ester **1a** (1 mmol) and 2,3-Dichloro-5,6-dicyano-1,4-benzoquinone (DDQ, 0.227g, 1 eq.) in 1,2-dichloroethane (1,2-DCE, 10 mL) was stirred at ambient temperature for 30 min. After completion of reaction, the mixture was diluted with CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL). The organic layer was washed with aq. 1M NaOH (10 mL) for two times. The combined water layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL) for three times. The combined organic layer was dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by recrystallisation from CH₂Cl₂/hexane as solvent to afford alkenyl oxime ester **4**.

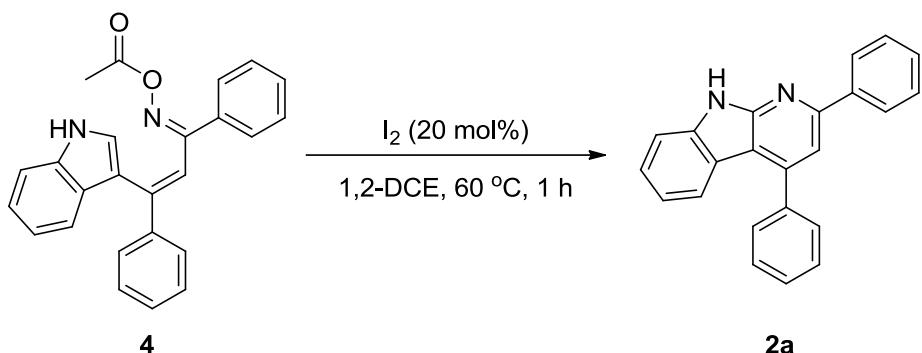
(1Z,2Z)-3-(1H-indol-3-yl)-1,3-diphenylprop-2-en-1-one O-acetyl oxime (4)





Brown solid, 90% yield; two isomers 10:1; mp 106-108 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.64 (brs, 1H), 7.78 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.44 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.28-7.26 (m, 1H), 7.22 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.17-7.03 (m, 9H), 6.96 (d, J = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 2.17 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 169.3, 164.1, 146.7, 140.2, 137.2, 134.6, 130.1, 129.8, 128.9, 128.5, 127.9, 127.9, 127.6, 125.9, 123.1, 121.2, 120.7, 118.8, 114.9, 112.1, 77.5; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. For $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{Na}$ ($M+23$) 403.1422, found 403.1423.

Control experiment of α -carboline

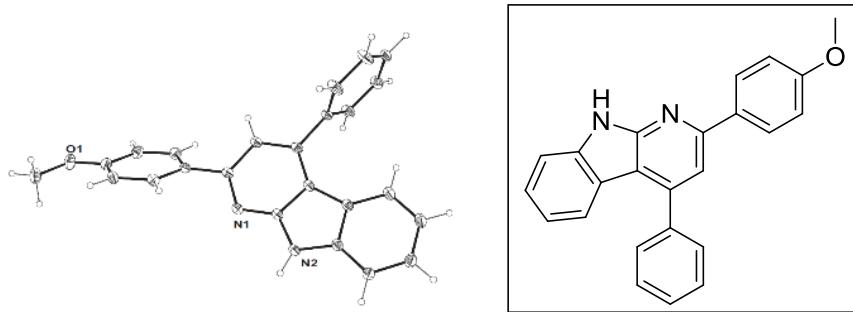


General procedure:

A mixture of alkenyl oxime ester **4** (0.5 mmol) and iodine (0.025g, 20 mol%) in 1,2-DCE (5 mL) was heated to 60 °C for 1 h. After completion of the reaction, the mixture was allowed to cool to ambient temperature and diluted with ethyl acetate (25 mL). The organic layer was washed with aq. NaS₂O₃ (5 mL) and aq. NaHCO₃ (5 mL) for two times. The organic layer was dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure to afford α -carboline **2a** in 65% yield which were determined from crude ¹H NMR spectrum with dibromomethane 10(μ L) as internal standard.

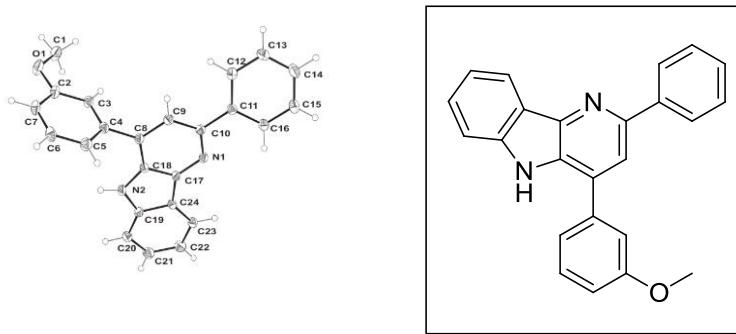
X-ray data of carbolines 2r/3g and intermediate 4

Table S4. Crystal data and structure refinement for **2r** (CCDC number: 1515102)



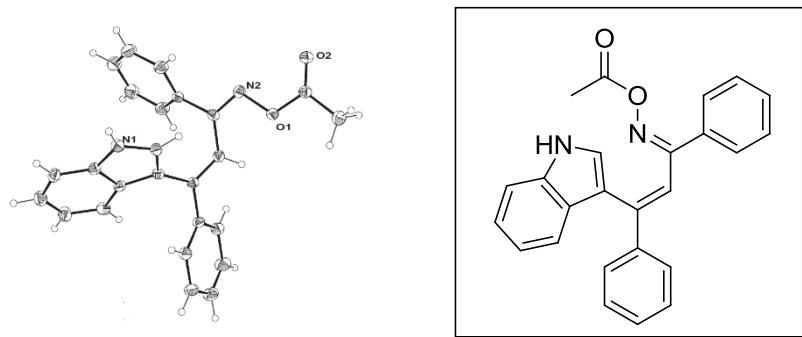
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Crystal system	Triclinic	
Space group	P -1	
Unit cell dimensions	$a = 9.4800(12) \text{ Å}$	$\alpha = 88.685(4)^\circ$
	$b = 13.2295(16) \text{ Å}$	$\beta = 73.346(4)^\circ$
	$c = 15.0067(19) \text{ Å}$	$\gamma = 86.478(4)^\circ$
Volume	$1799.7(4) \text{ Å}^3$	
Z	4	
Density (calculated)	1.293 Mg/m ³	
Absorption coefficient	0.080 mm ⁻¹	
F(000)	736	
Crystal size	$0.47 \times 0.25 \times 0.06 \text{ mm}^3$	
Theta range for data collection	2.25 to 25.03°.	
Index ranges	$-11 \leq h \leq 11, -15 \leq k \leq 15, -17 \leq l \leq 17$	
Reflections collected	62260	
Independent reflections	6332 [R(int) = 0.0483]	
Completeness to theta = 25.03°	99.5 %	
Absorption correction	multi-scan	
Max. and min. transmission	0.9952 and 0.9635	
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²	
Data / restraints / parameters	6332 / 0 / 489	
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.084	
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0374, wR2 = 0.0892	
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0530, wR2 = 0.1040	
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.169 and -0.190 e.Å ⁻³	

Table S5. Crystal data and structure refinement for **3g** (CCDC number: 1515101)



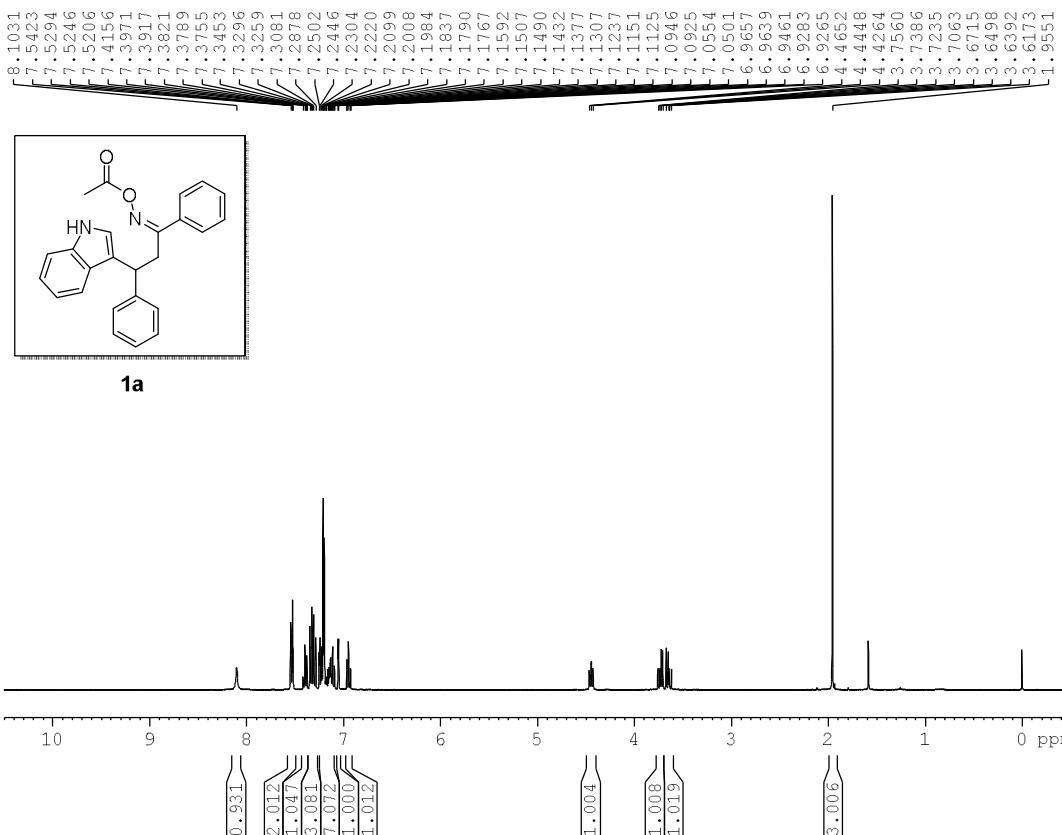
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Crystal system	Monoclinic	
Space group	P 21/n	
Unit cell dimensions	$a = 13.365(2) \text{ \AA}$	$\alpha = 90^\circ$.
	$b = 17.037(3) \text{ \AA}$	$\beta = 98.932(3)^\circ$.
	$c = 16.781(3) \text{ \AA}$	$\gamma = 90^\circ$.
Volume	3774.6(10) \AA^3	
Z	8	
Density (calculated)	1.233 Mg/m ³	
Absorption coefficient	0.076 mm ⁻¹	
F(000)	1472	
Crystal size	0.34 x 0.26 x 0.21 mm ³	
Theta range for data collection	1.71 to 25.09°.	
Index ranges	-15 <= h <= 15, -20 <= k <= 19, -19 <= l <= 19	
Reflections collected	23348	
Independent reflections	6606 [R(int) = 0.0456]	
Completeness to theta = 25.09°	98.6 %	
Absorption correction	multi-scan	
Max. and min. transmission	0.9842 and 0.9746	
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²	
Data / restraints / parameters	6606 / 0 / 487	
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.058	
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0505, wR2 = 0.1344	
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0789, wR2 = 0.1512	
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.368 and -0.379 e.Å ⁻³	

Table S6. Crystal data and structure refinement for **4** (CCDC number: 1515742)



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Temperature	200(2) K		
Wavelength	0.71073 Å		
Crystal system	Triclinic		
Space group	P -1		
Unit cell dimensions	a = 8.2571(7) Å	α = 66.416(5)°.	
	b = 16.8590(15) Å	β = 86.395(5)°.	
	c = 17.1654(15) Å	γ = 89.790(5)°.	
Volume	2185.0(3) Å ³		
Z	4		
Density (calculated)	1.156 Mg/m ³		
Absorption coefficient	0.074 mm ⁻¹		
F(000)	800		
Crystal size	0.39 x 0.35 x 0.11 mm ³		
Theta range for data collection	1.32 to 25.46°.		
Index ranges	-9<=h<=9, -20<=k<=19, -20<=l<=18		
Reflections collected	19218		
Independent reflections	7965 [R(int) = 0.0512]		
Completeness to theta = 25.46°	98.4 %		
Absorption correction	multi-scan		
Max. and min. transmission	0.9919 and 0.9717		
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²		
Data / restraints / parameters	7965 / 0 / 523		
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.064		
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0921, wR2 = 0.2654		
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.1235, wR2 = 0.2855		
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.495 and -0.379 e.Å ⁻³		

(Z)-3-(1H-indol-3-yl)-1,3-diphenylpropan-1-one O-acetyl oxime



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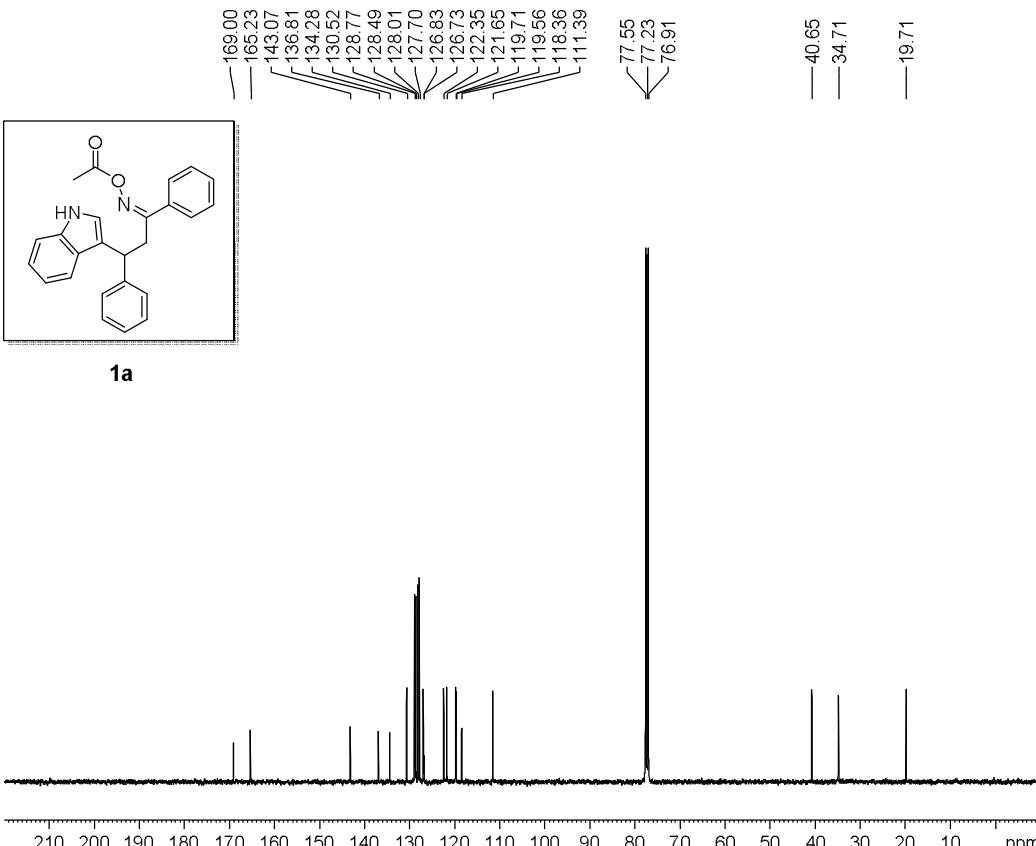
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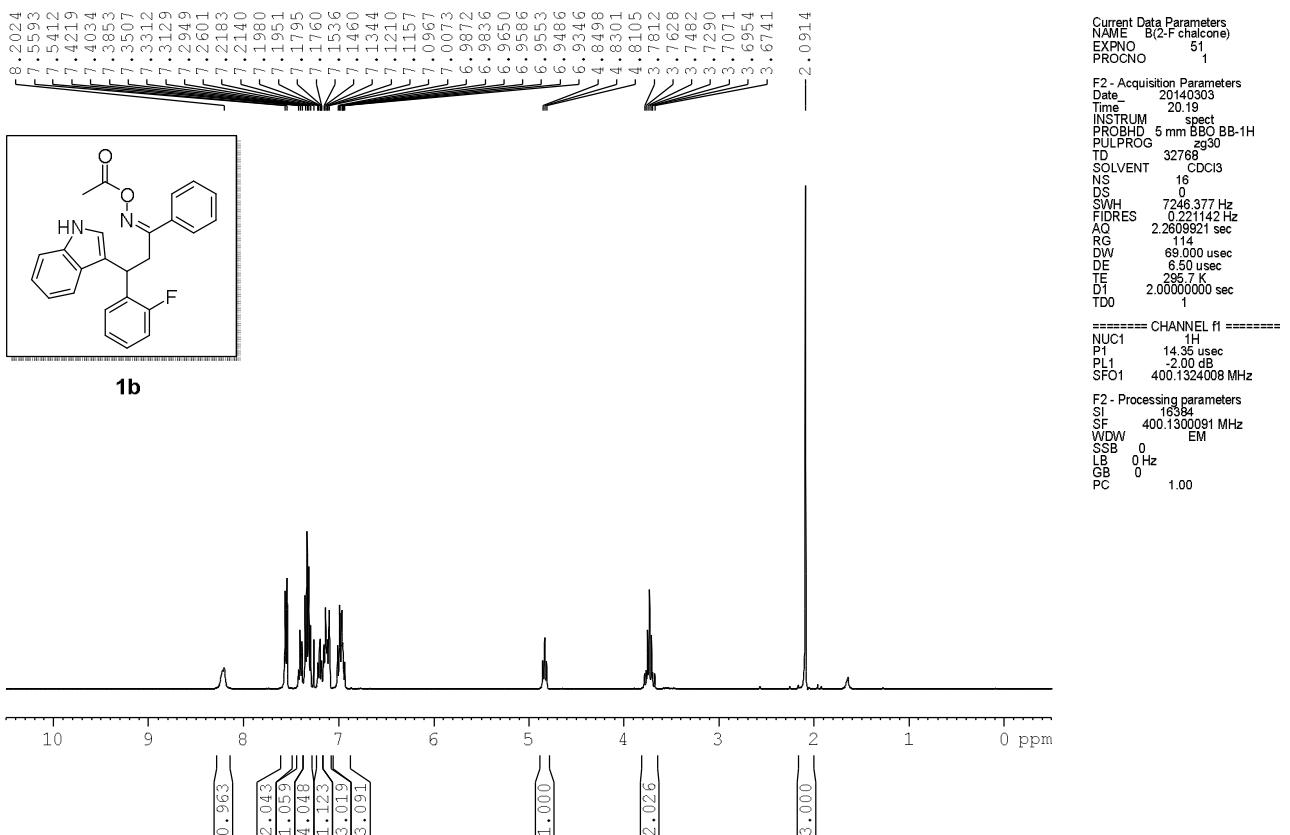
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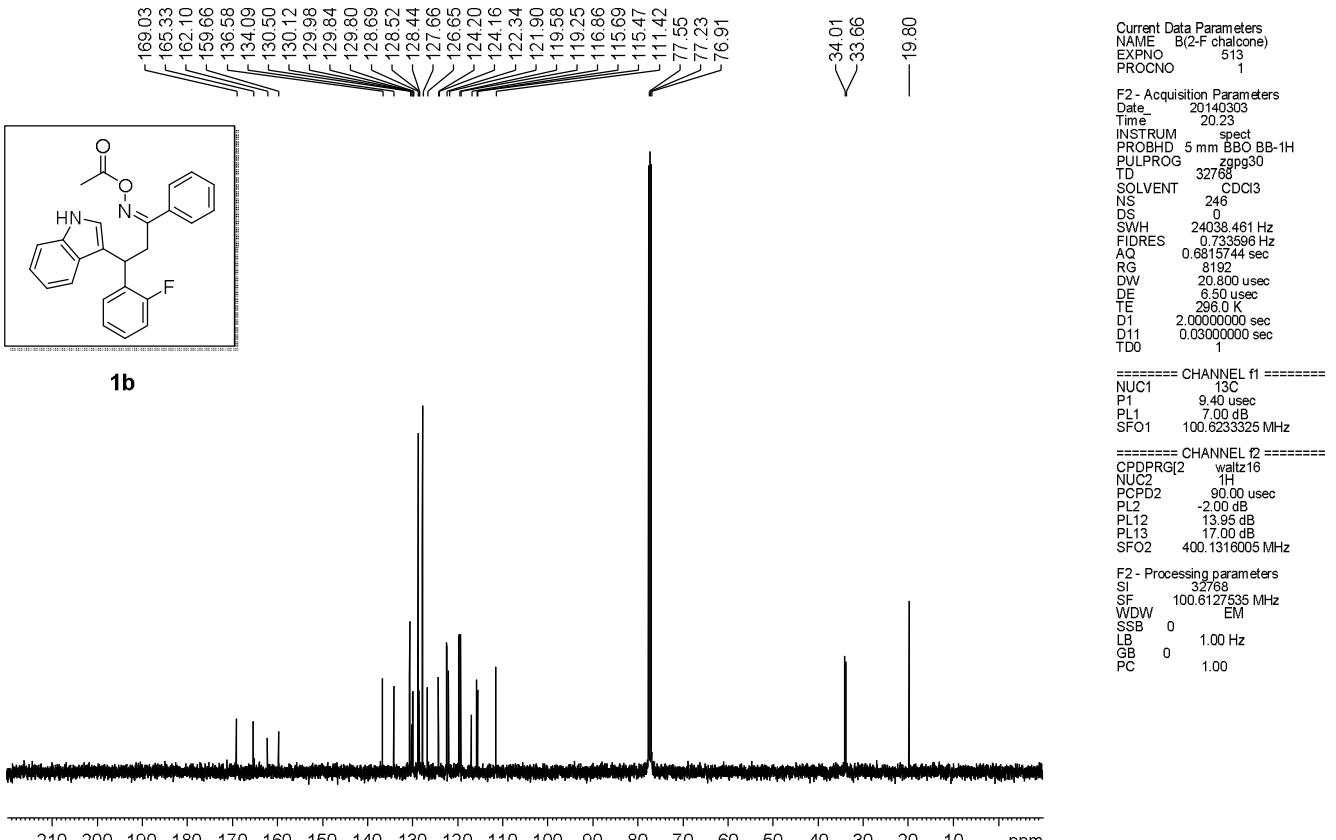
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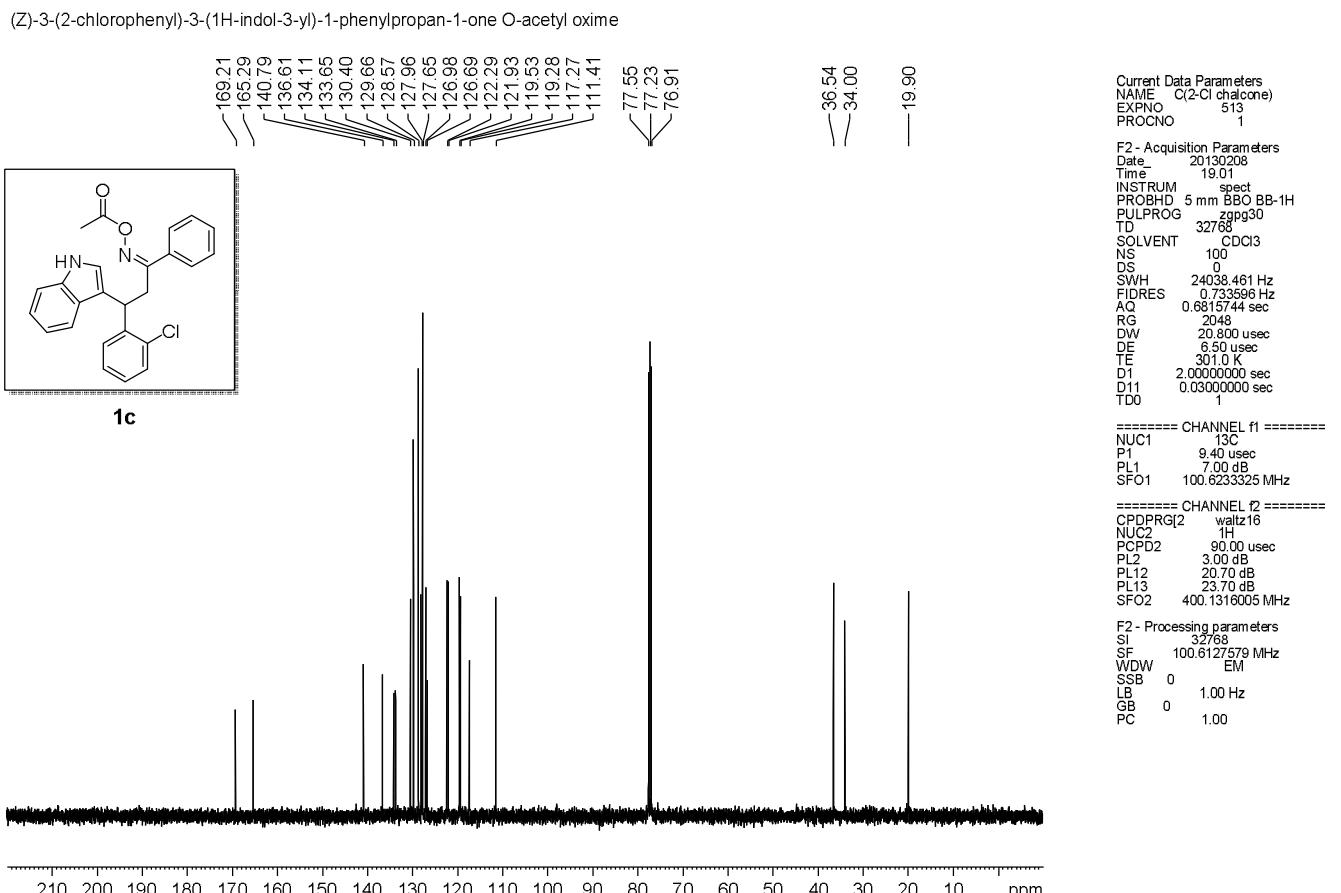
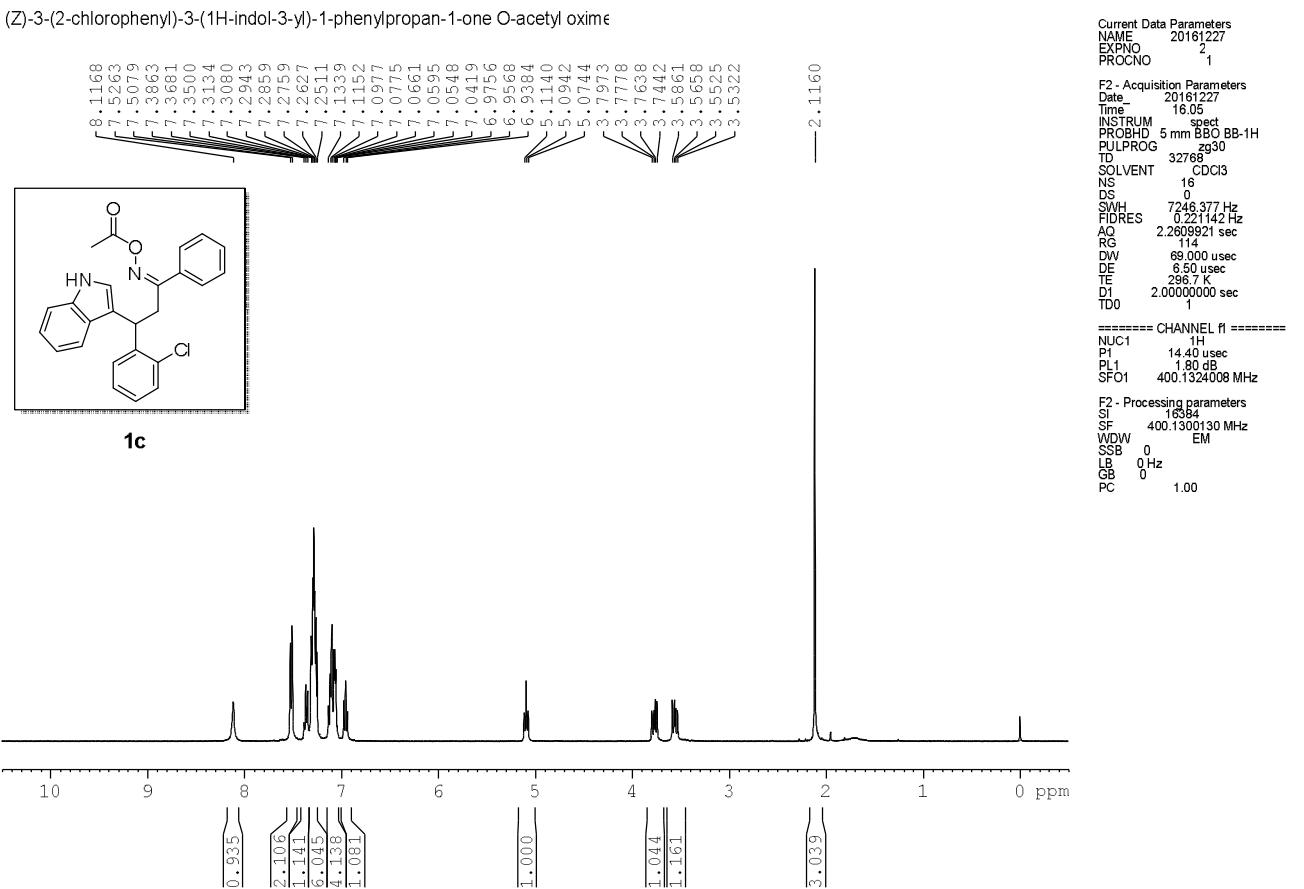
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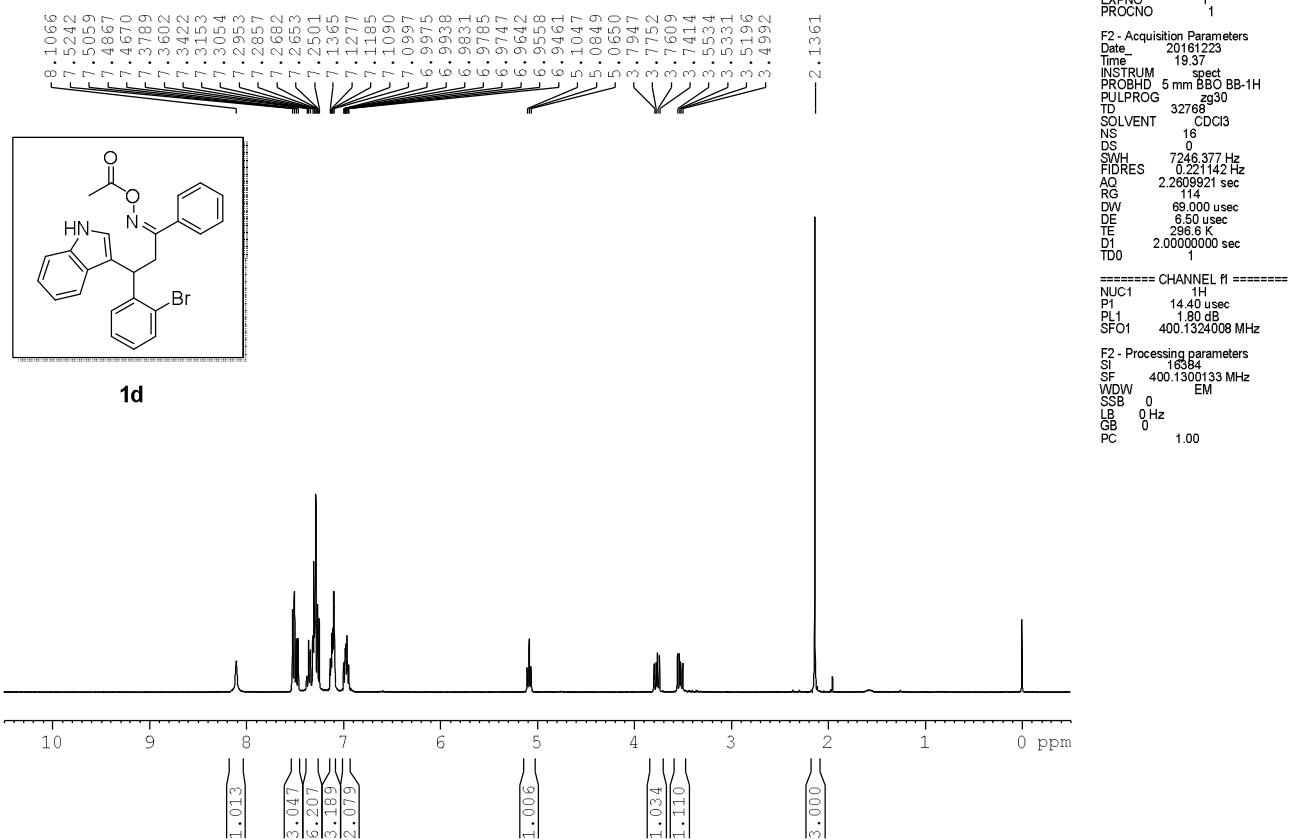


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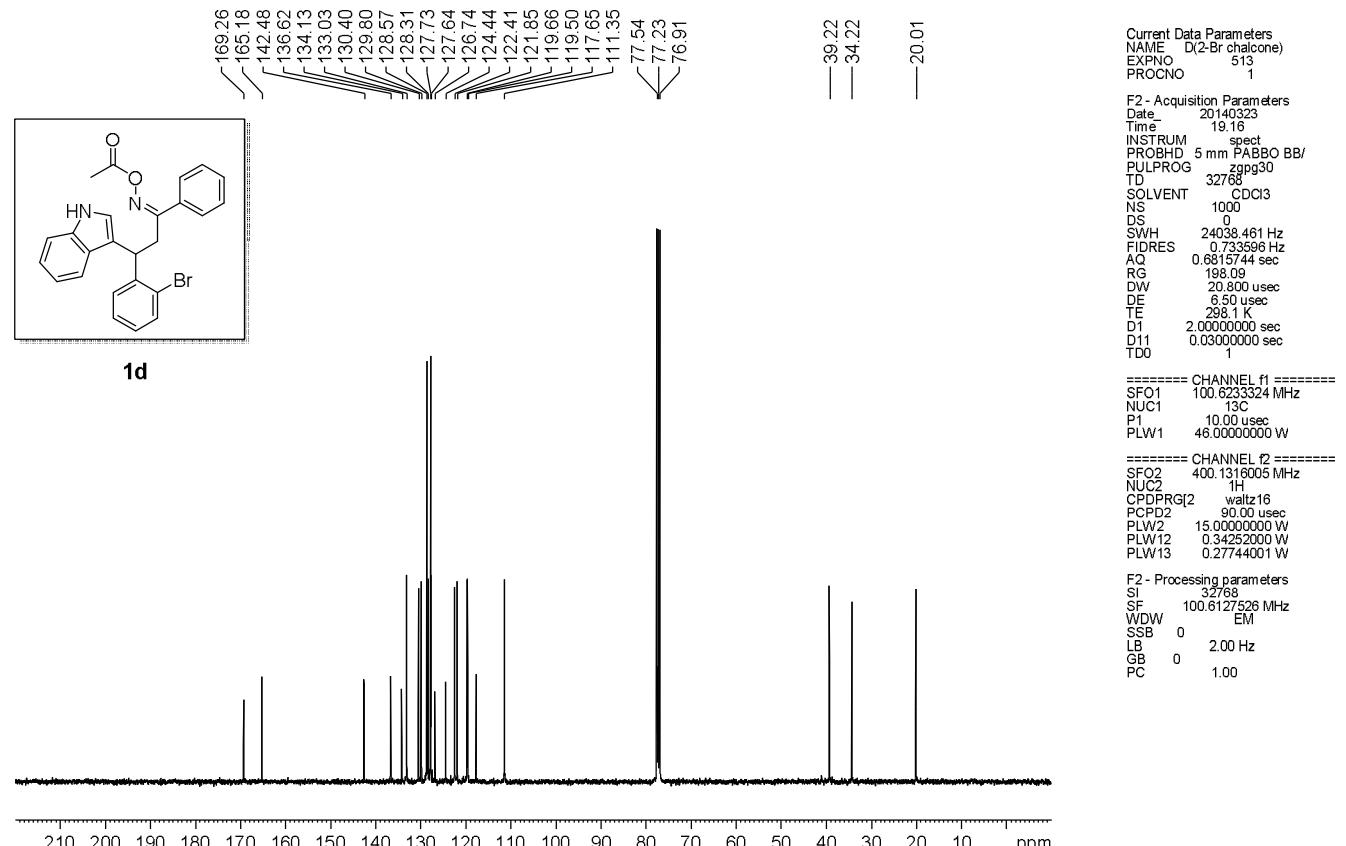




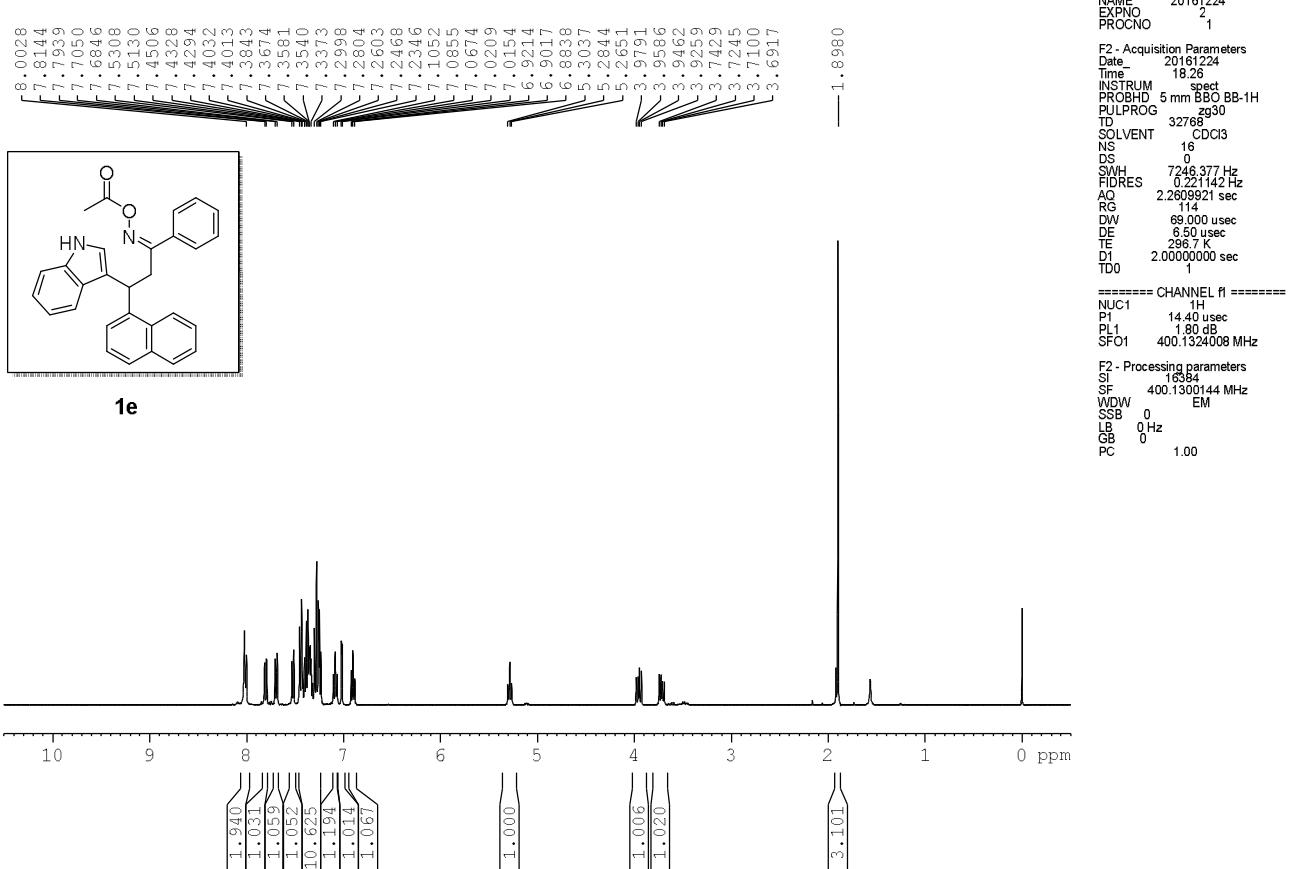
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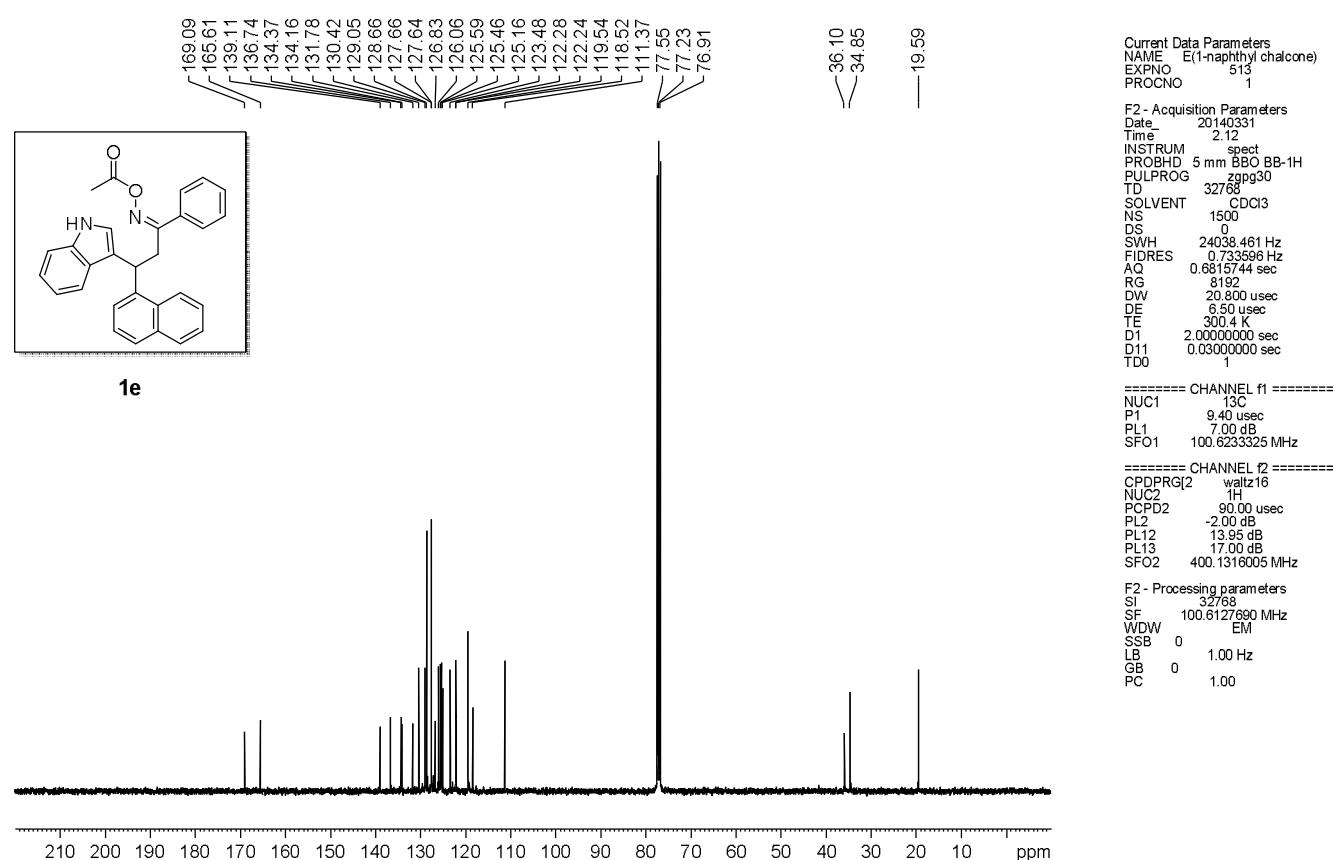
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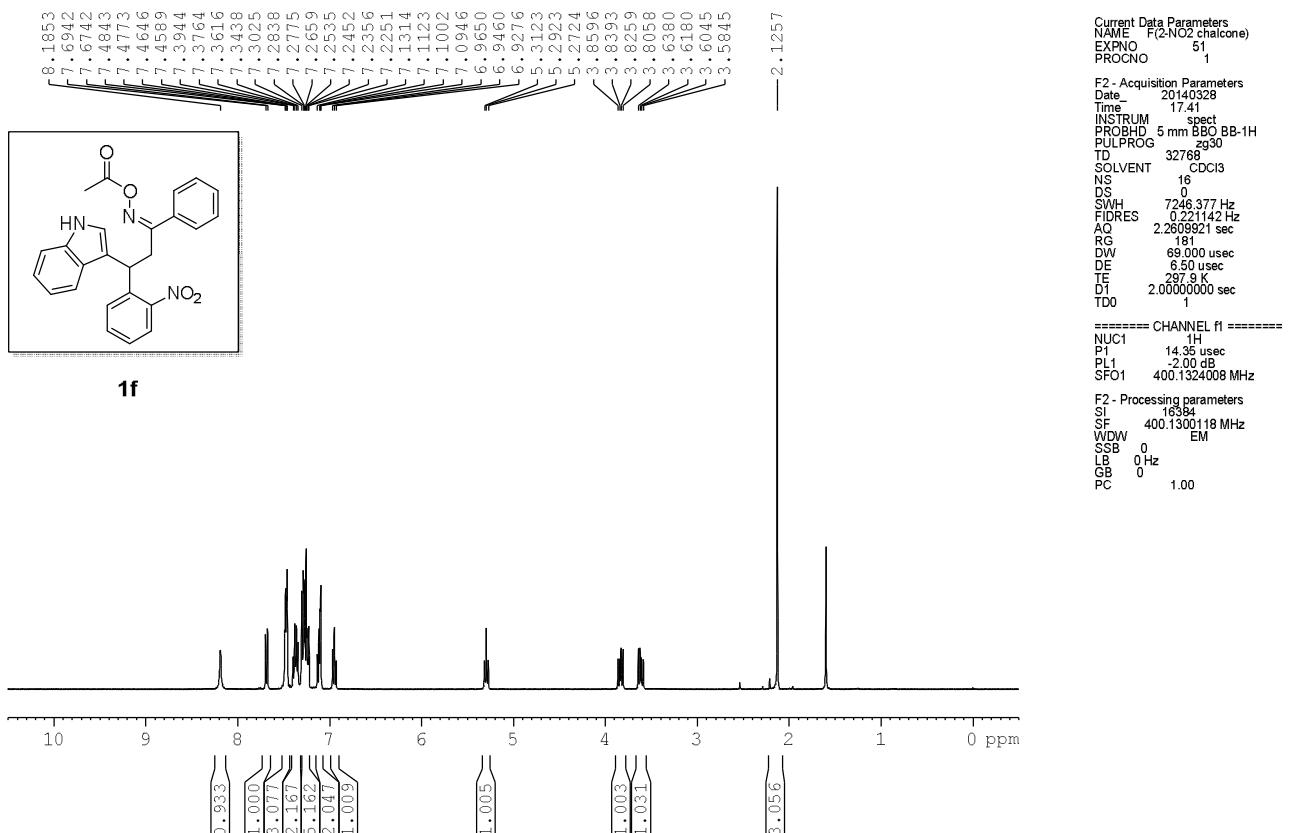
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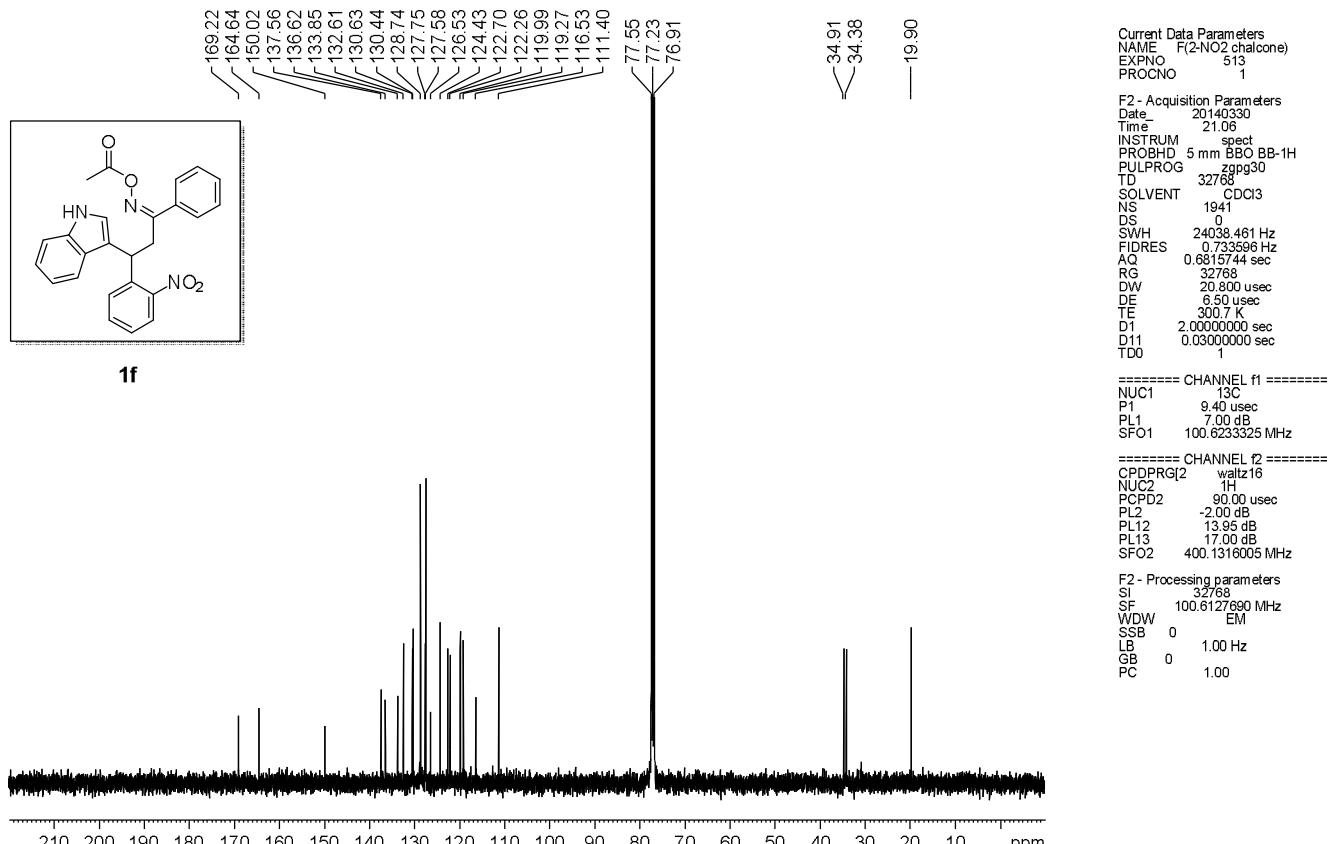
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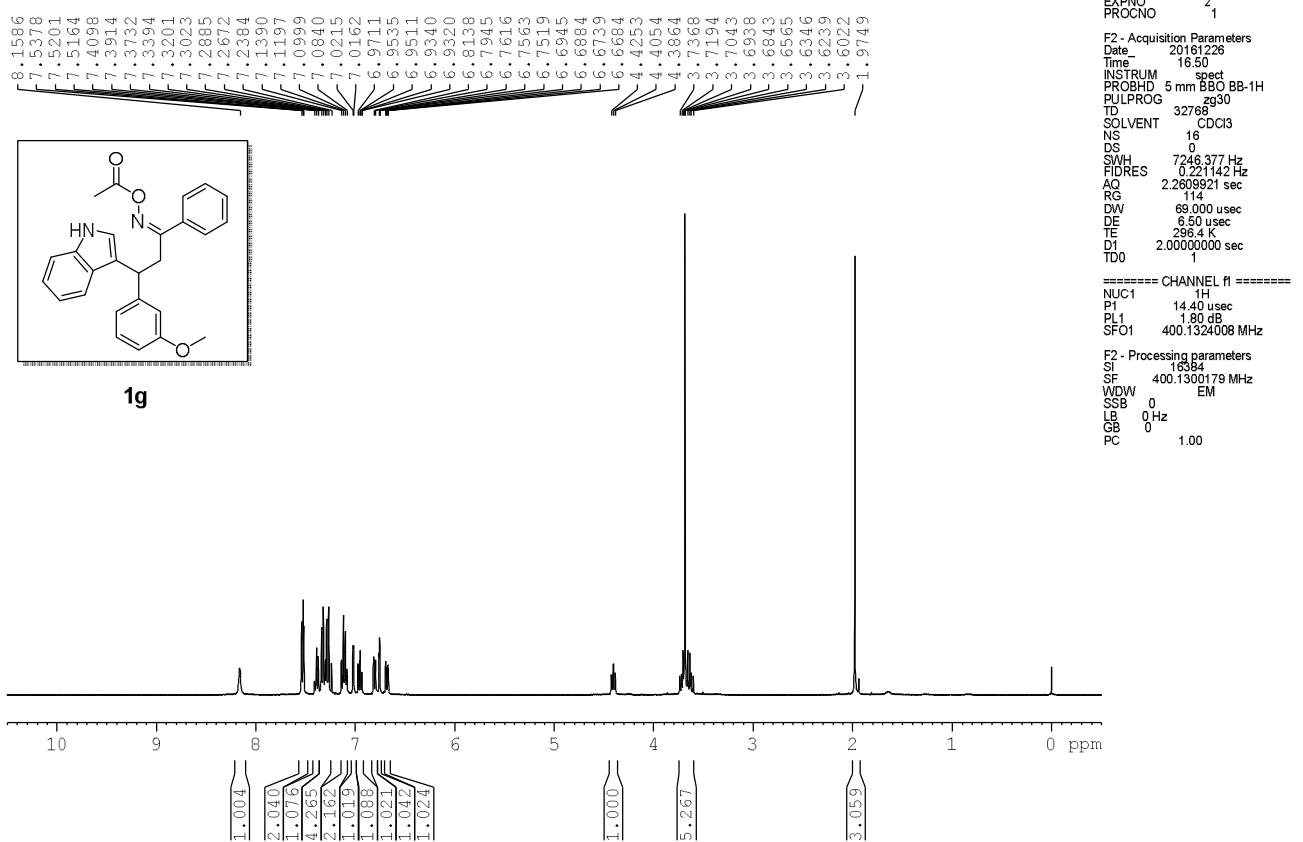
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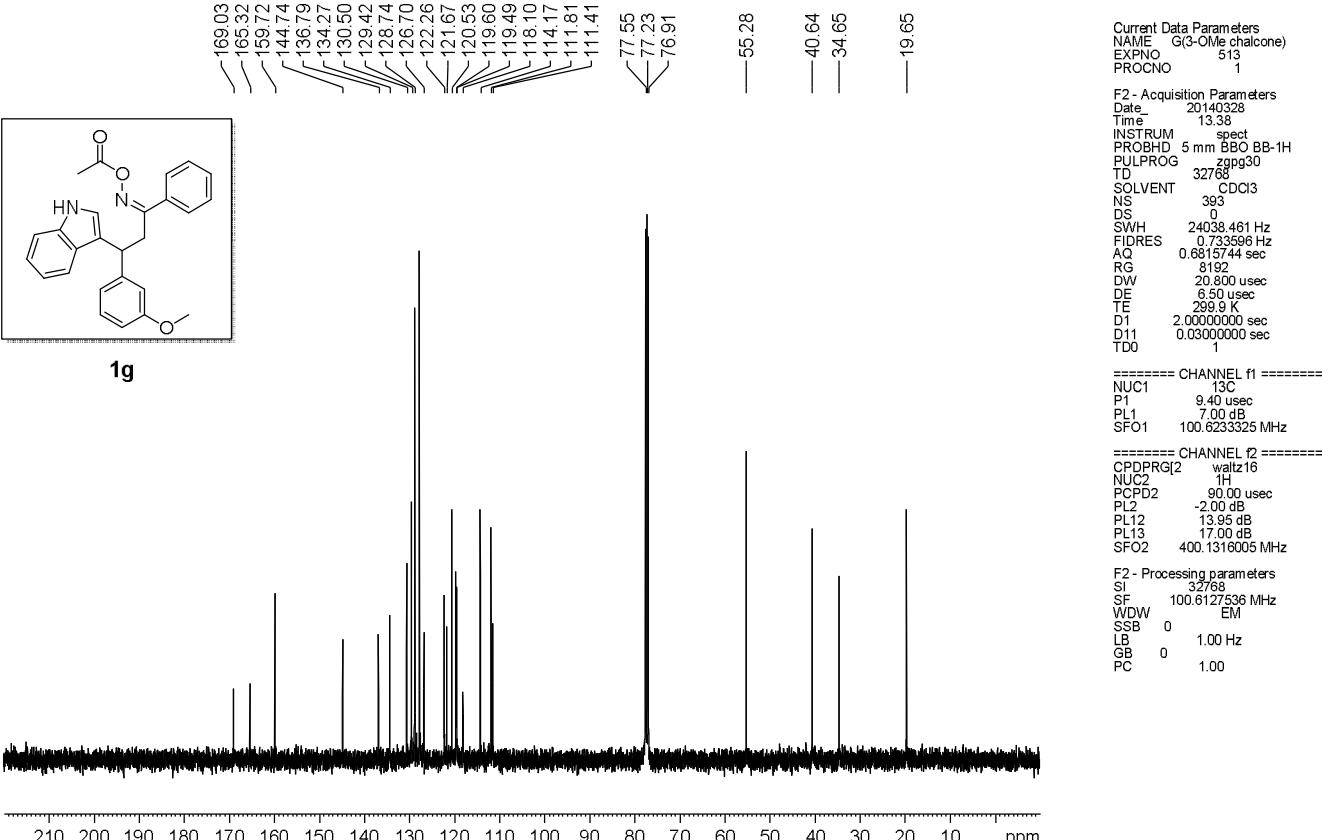
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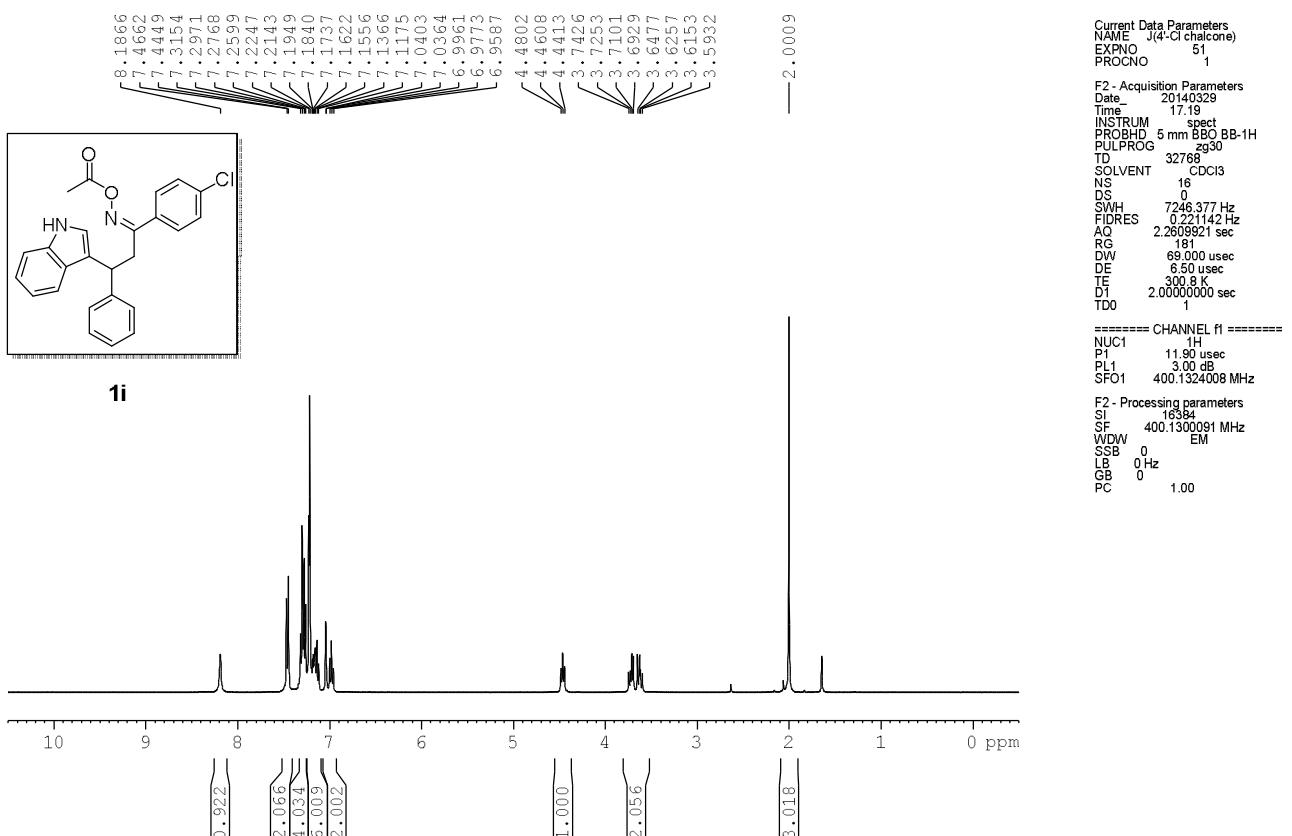
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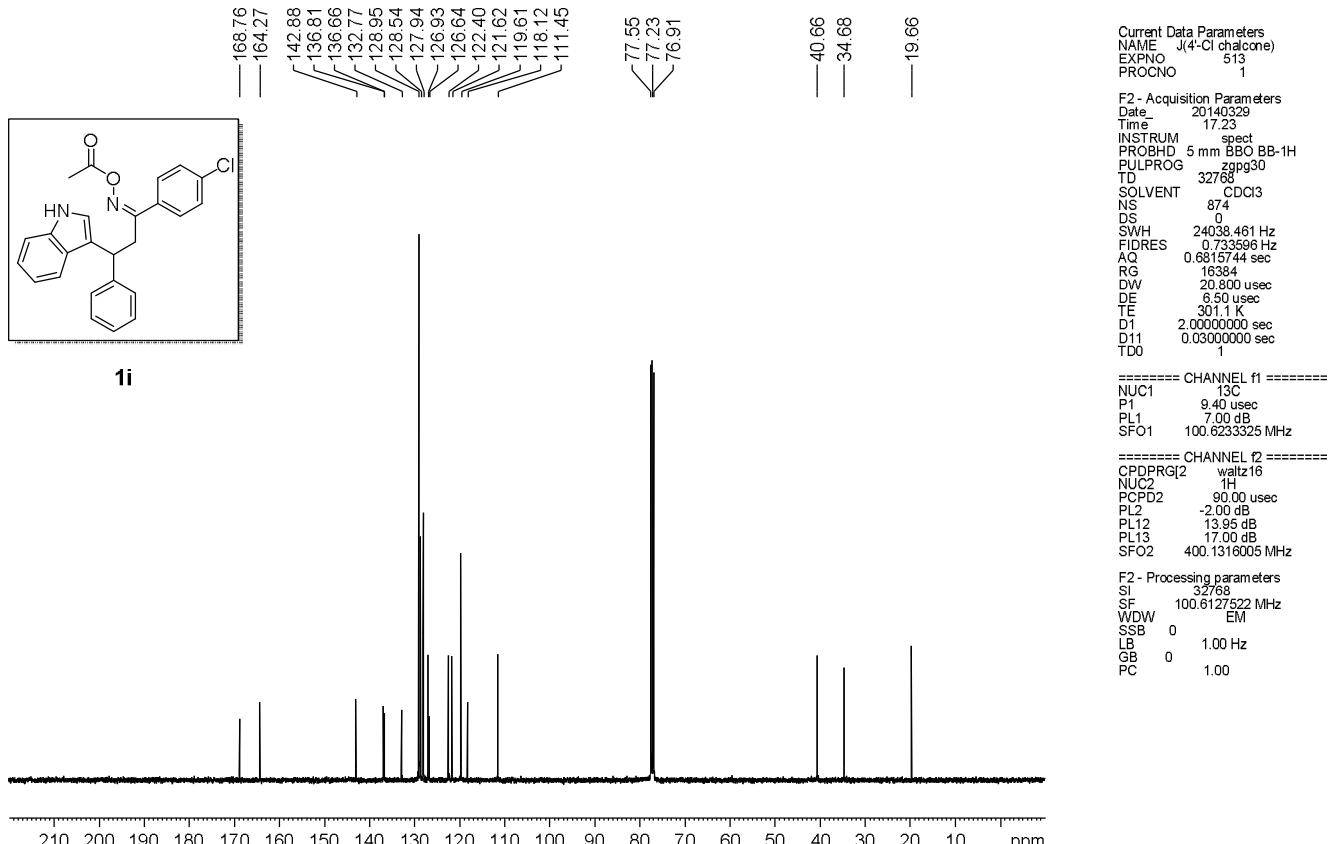
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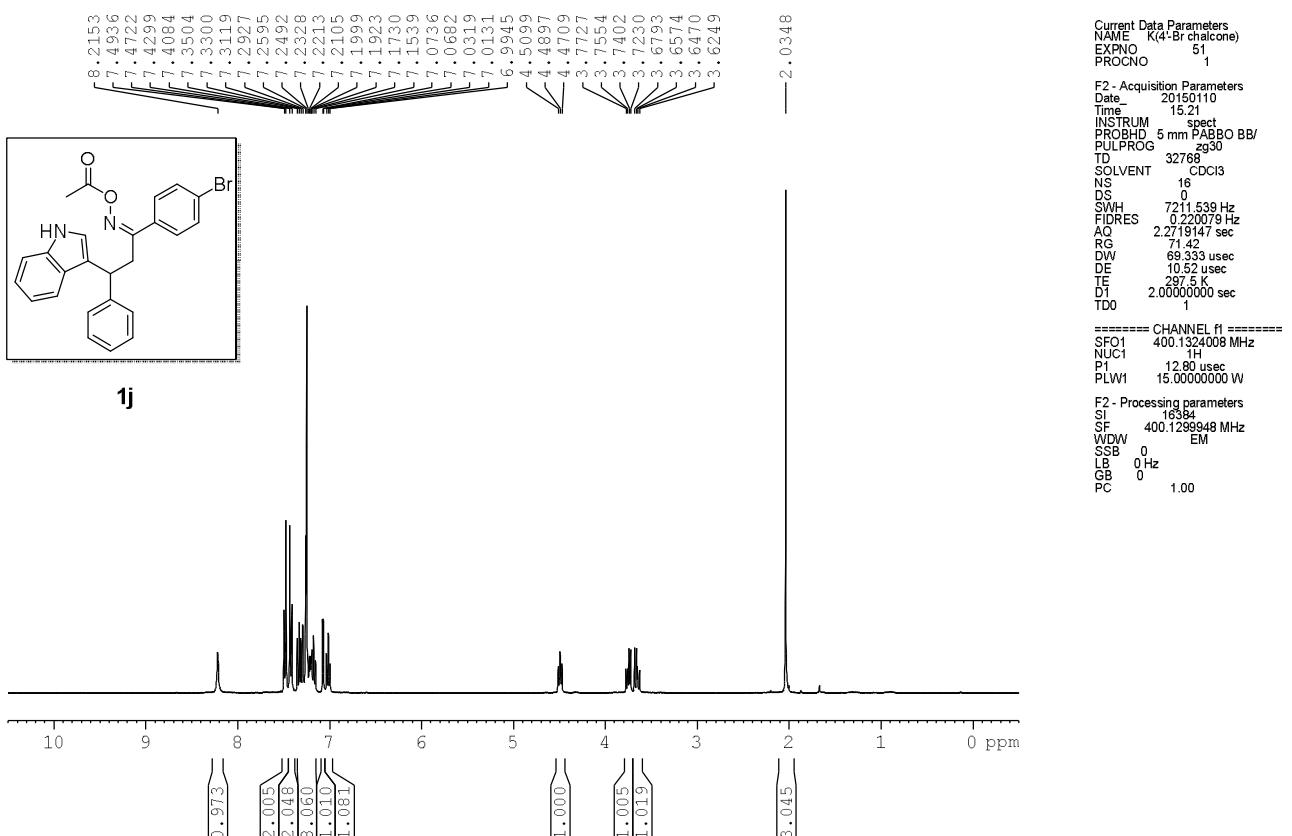
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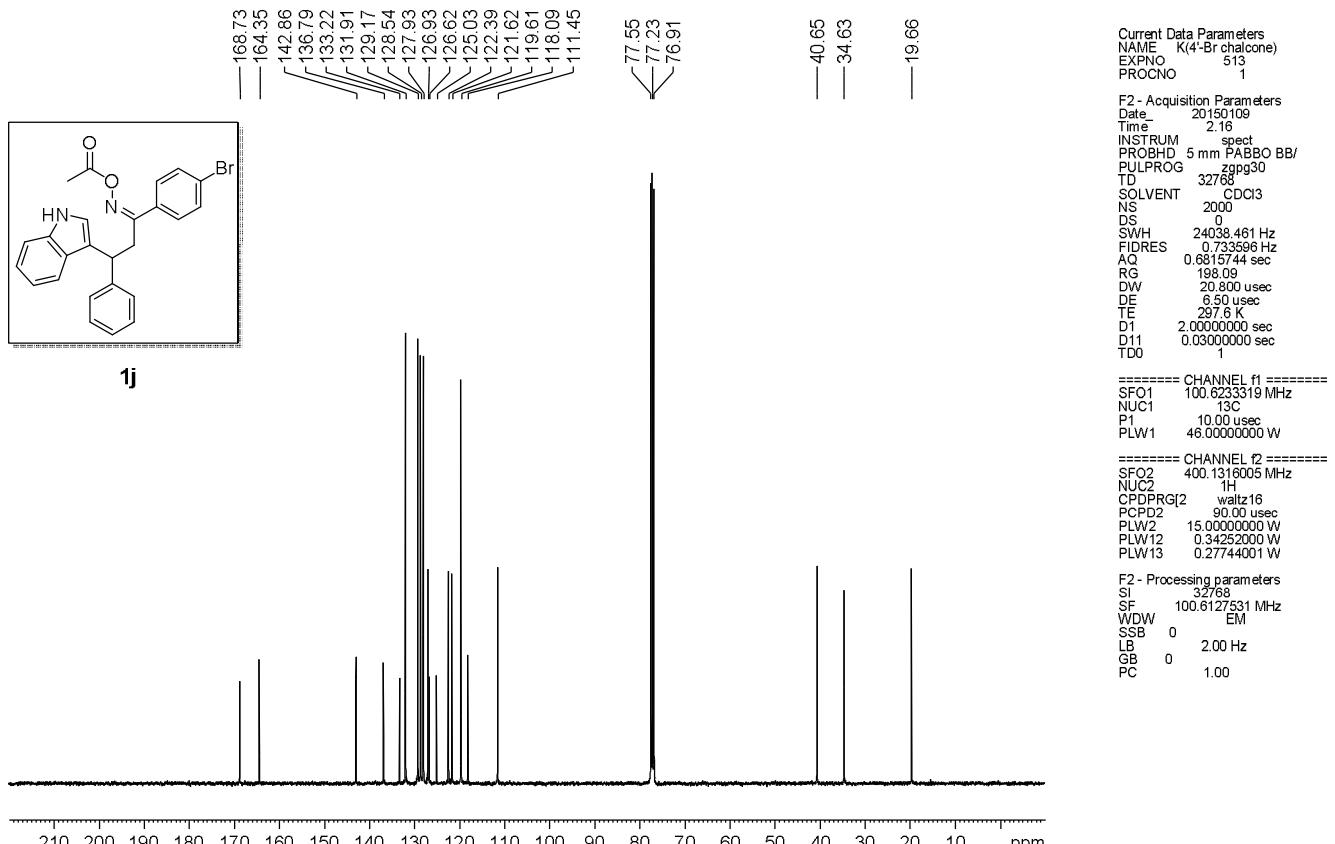
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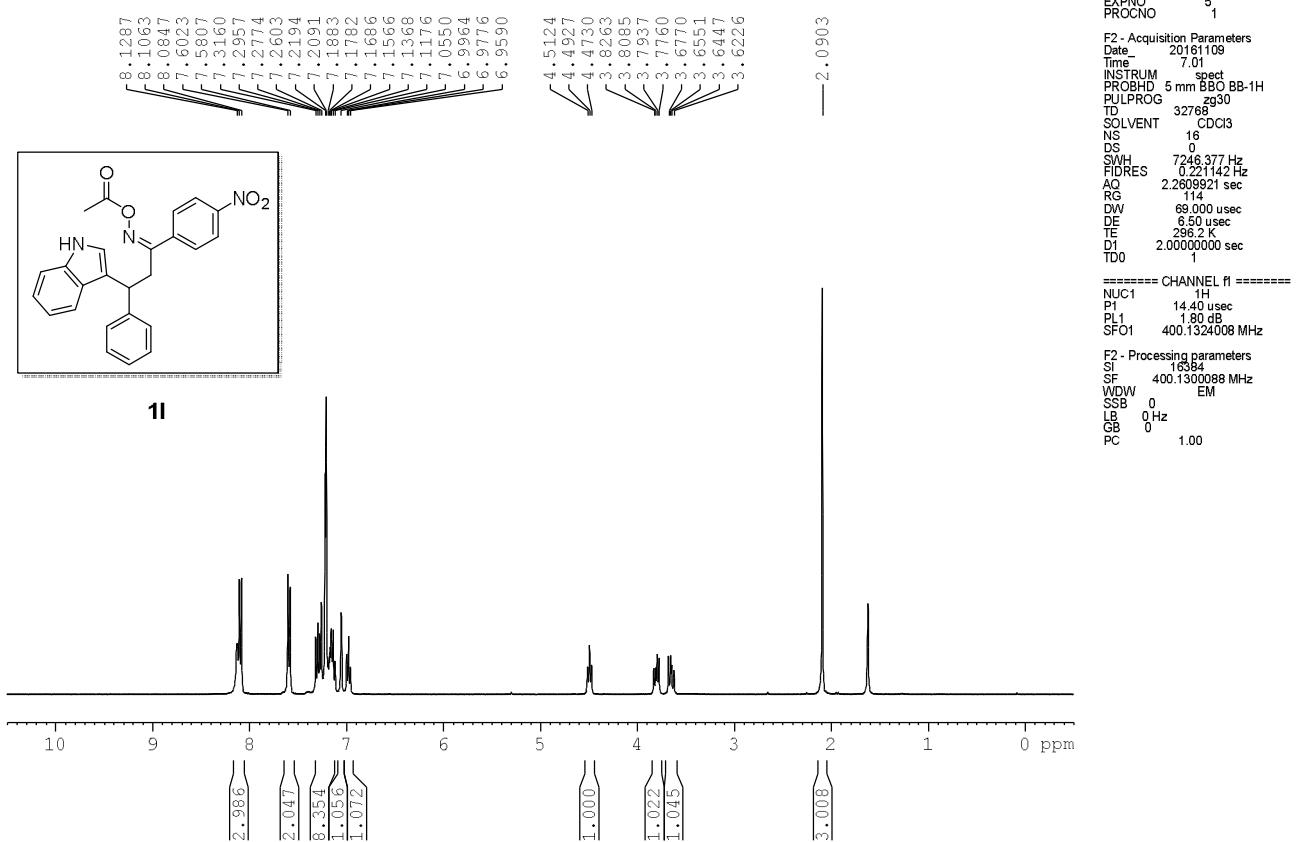
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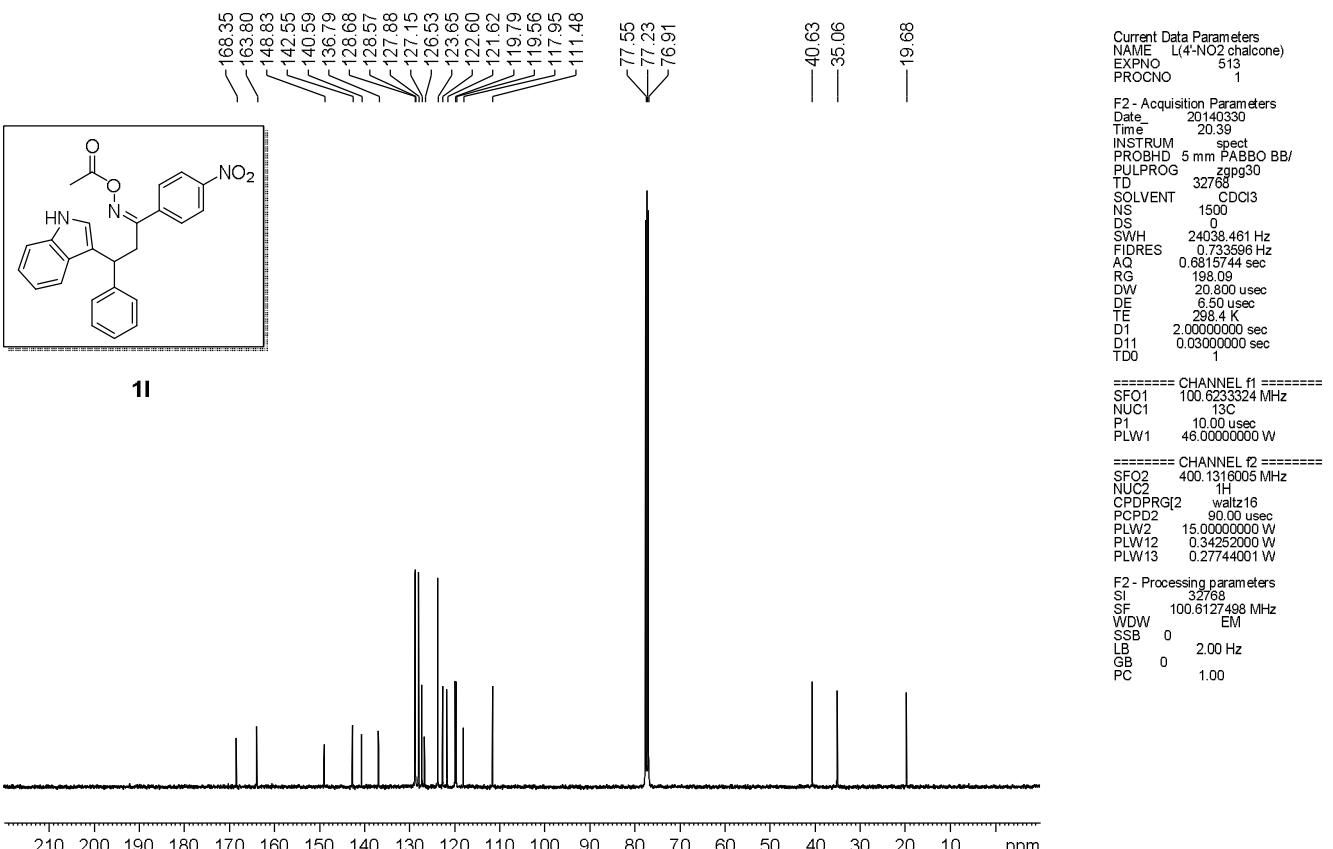
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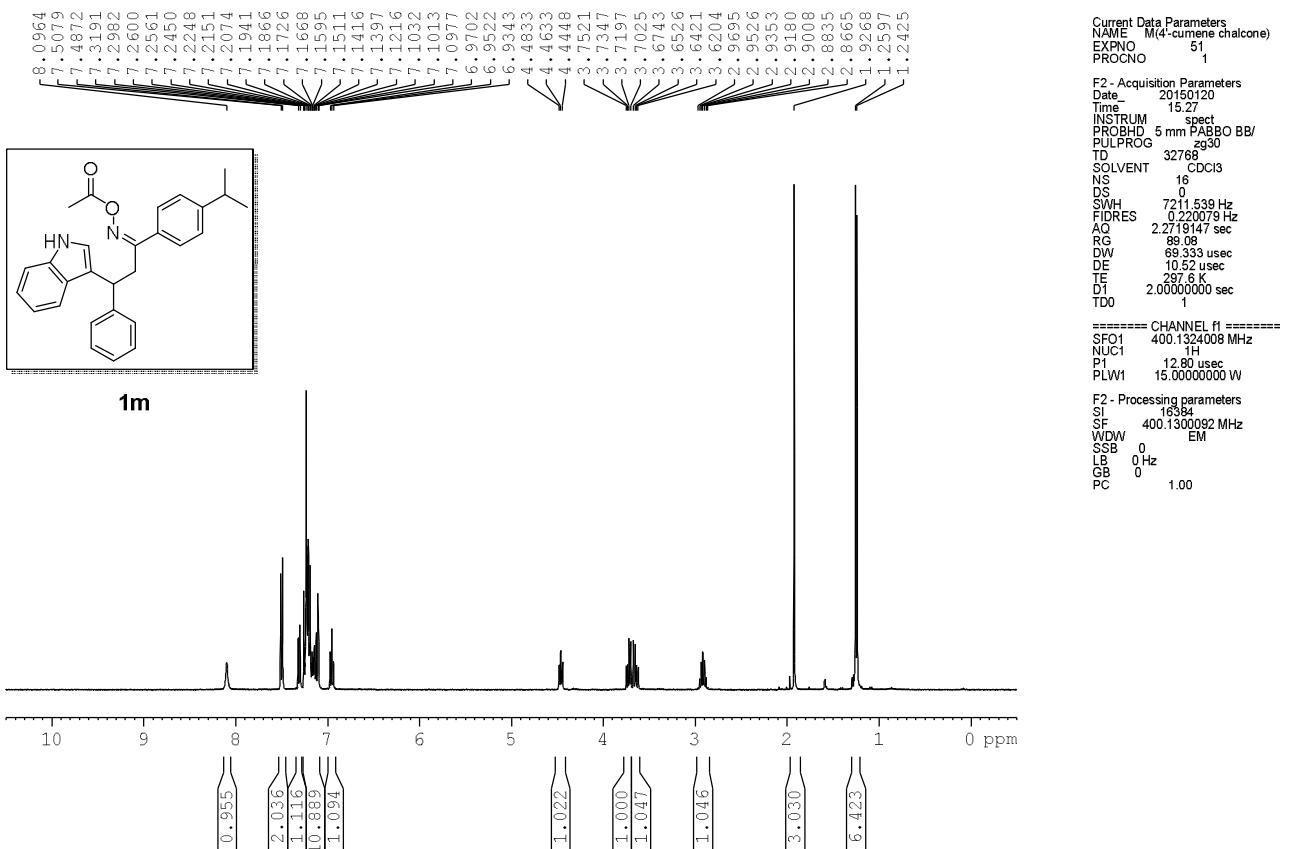
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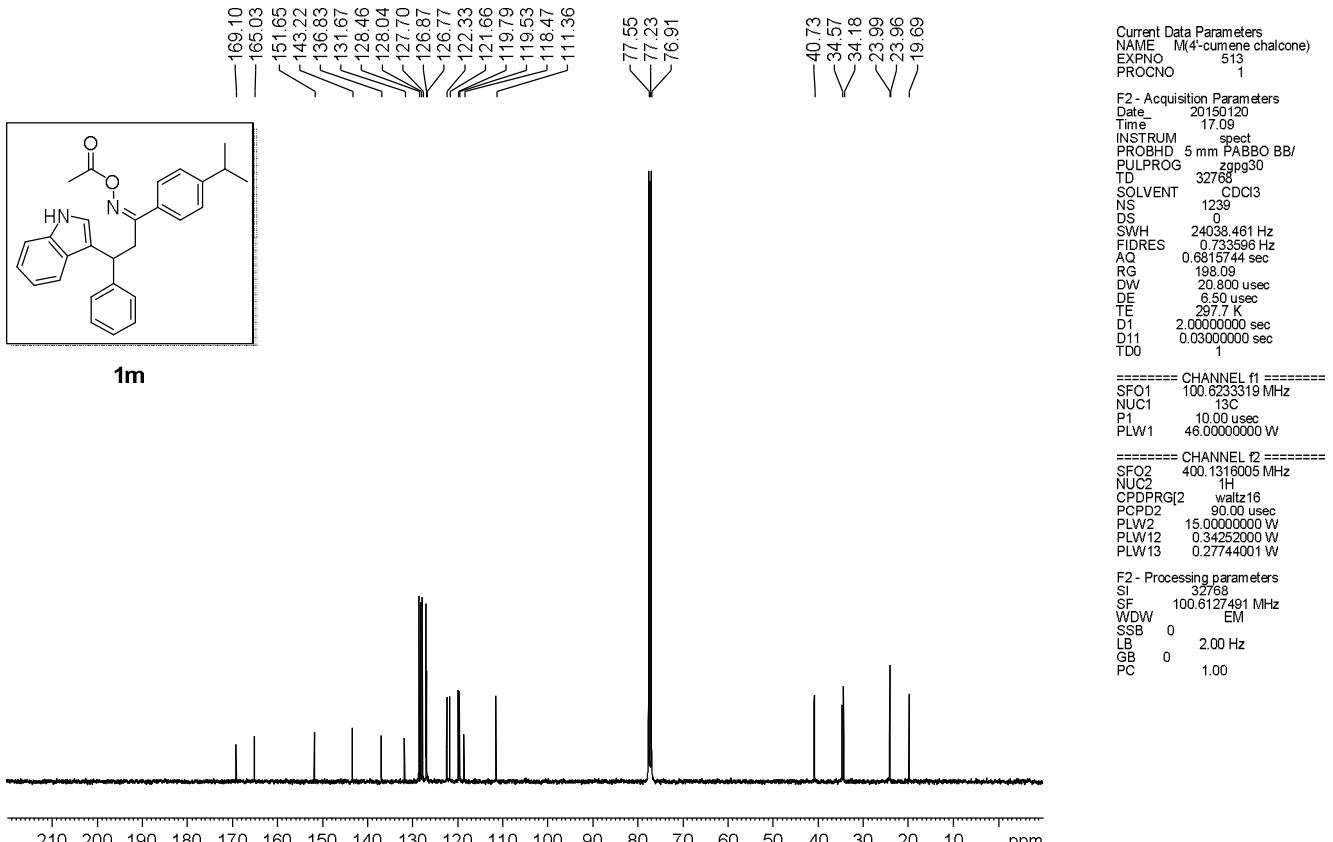
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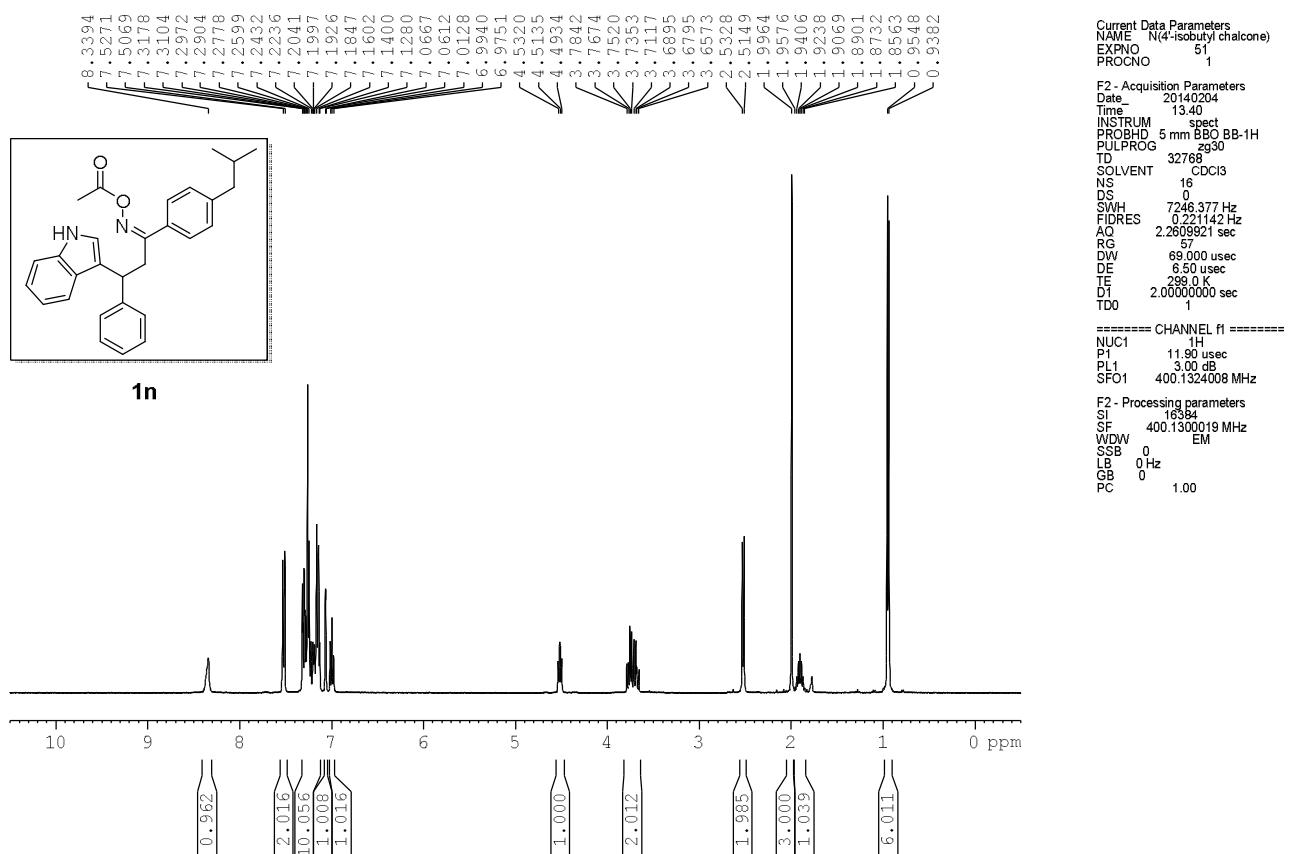
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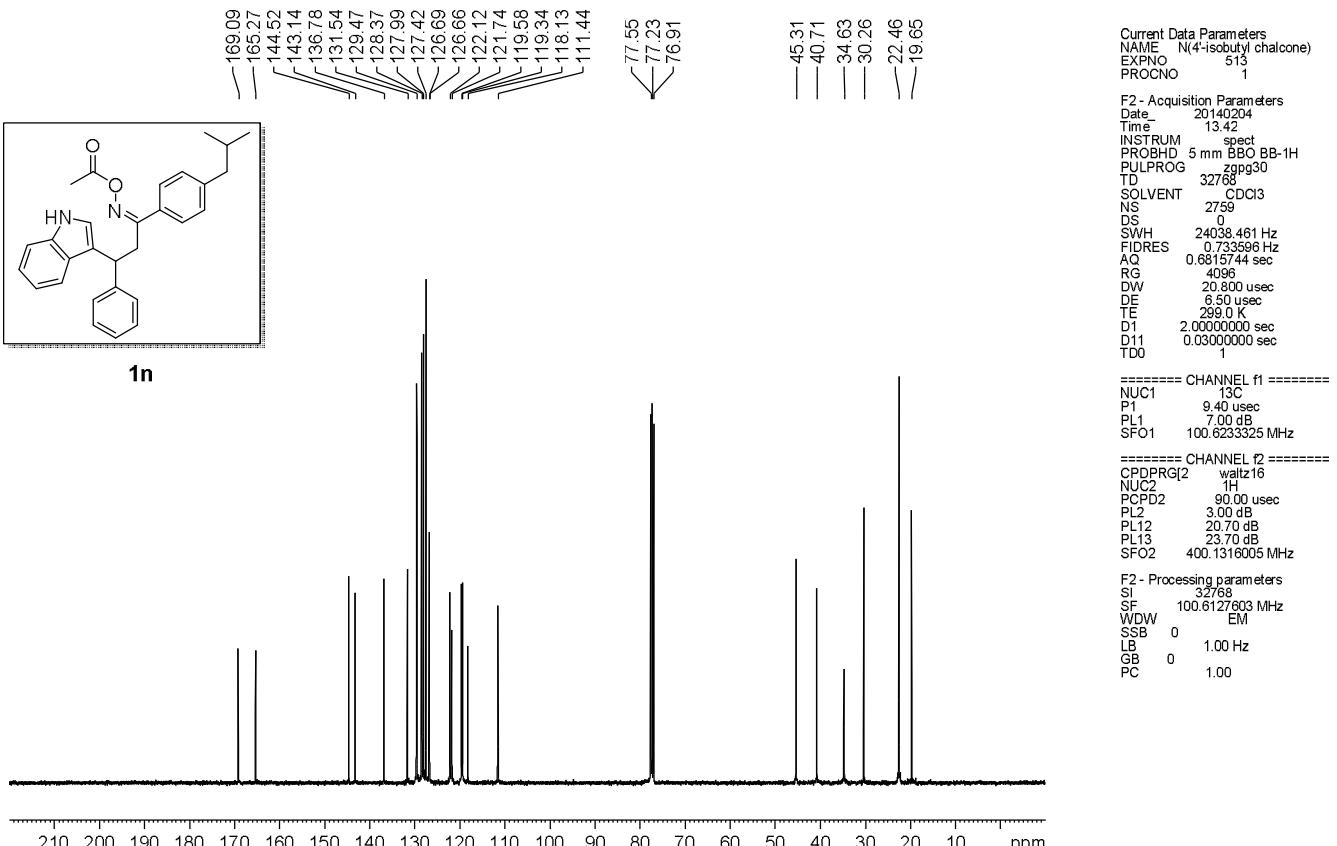
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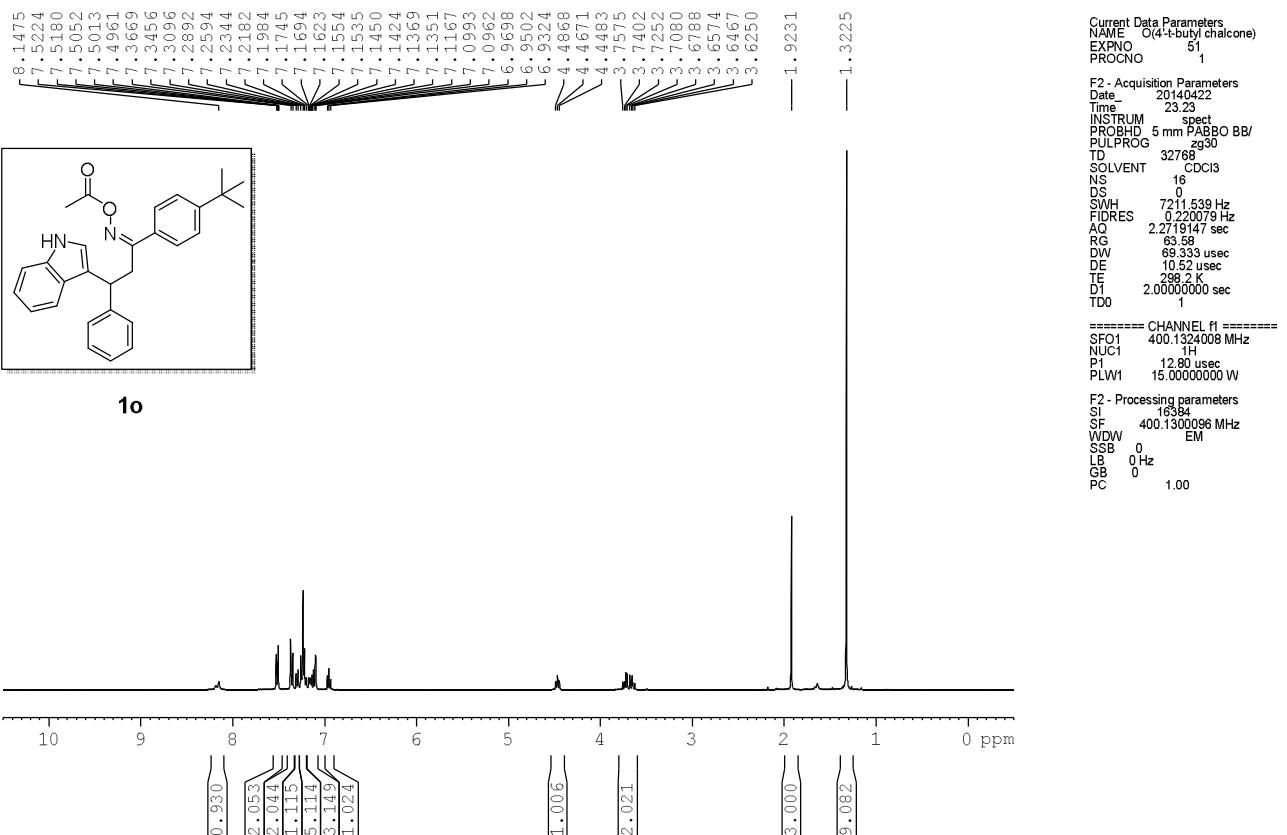
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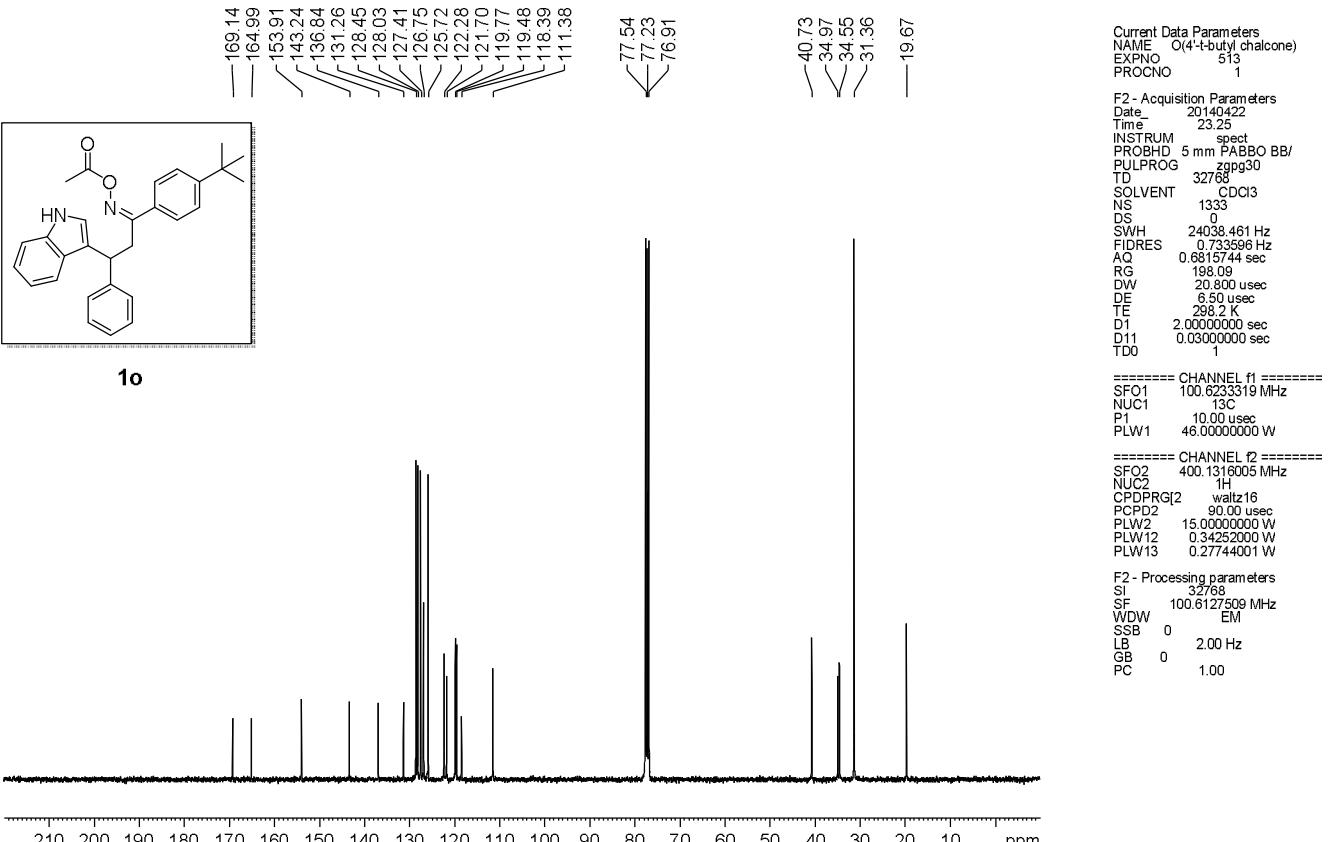
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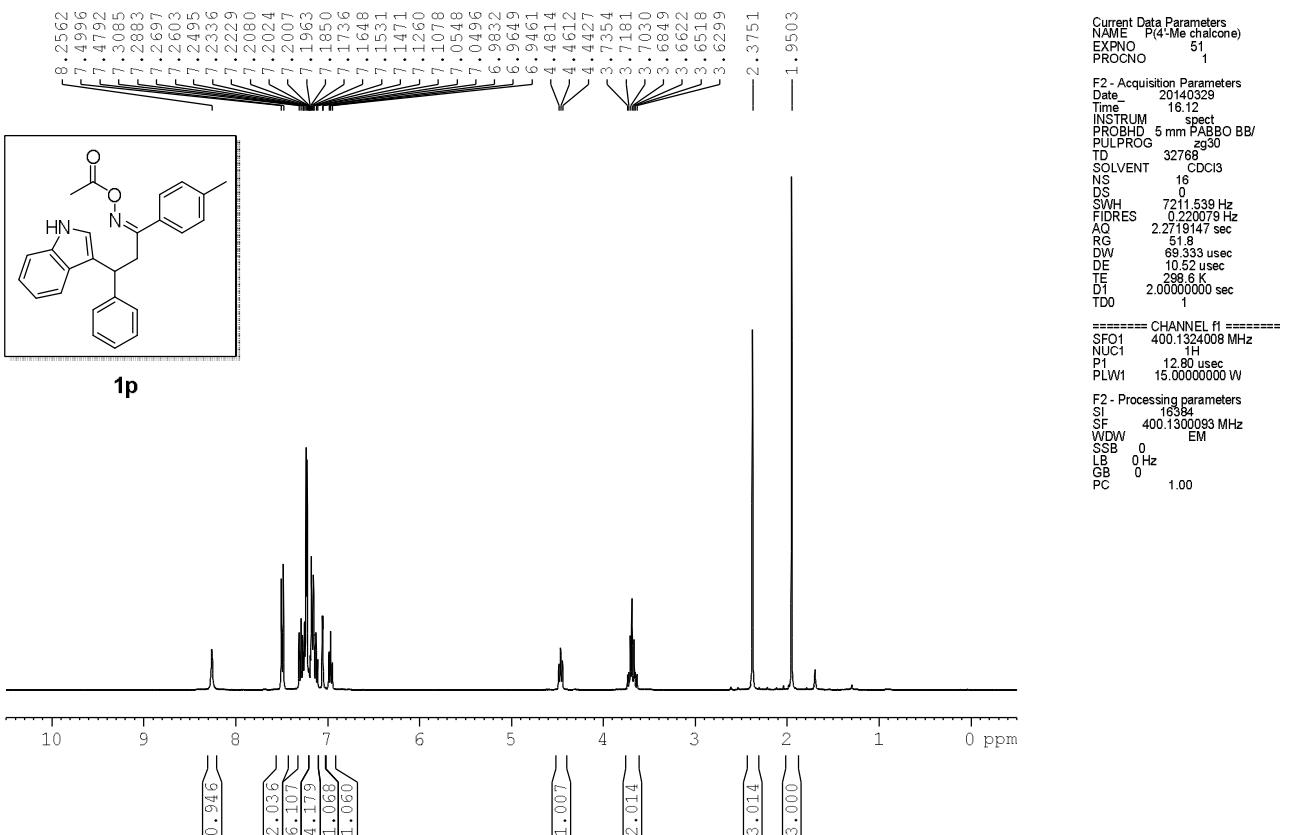
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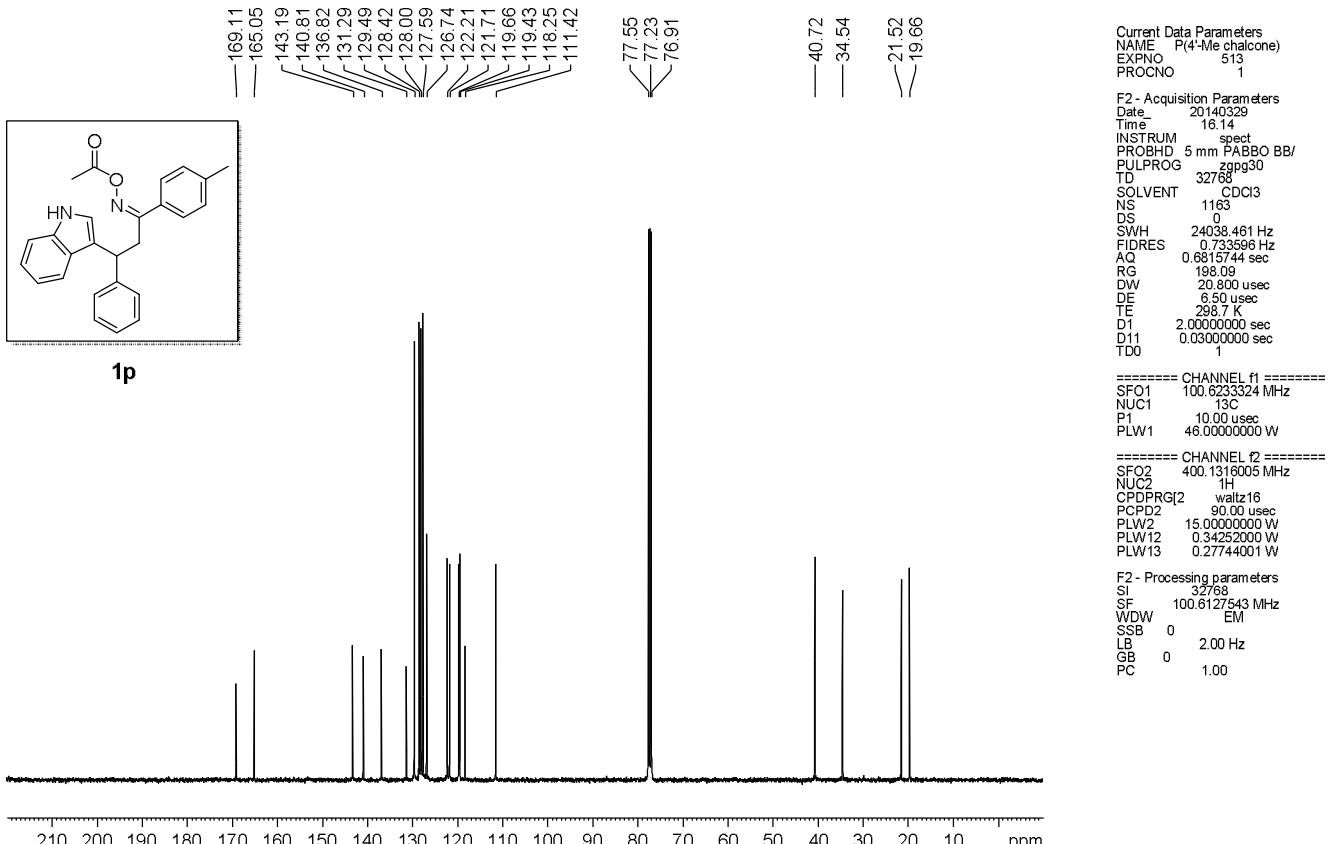
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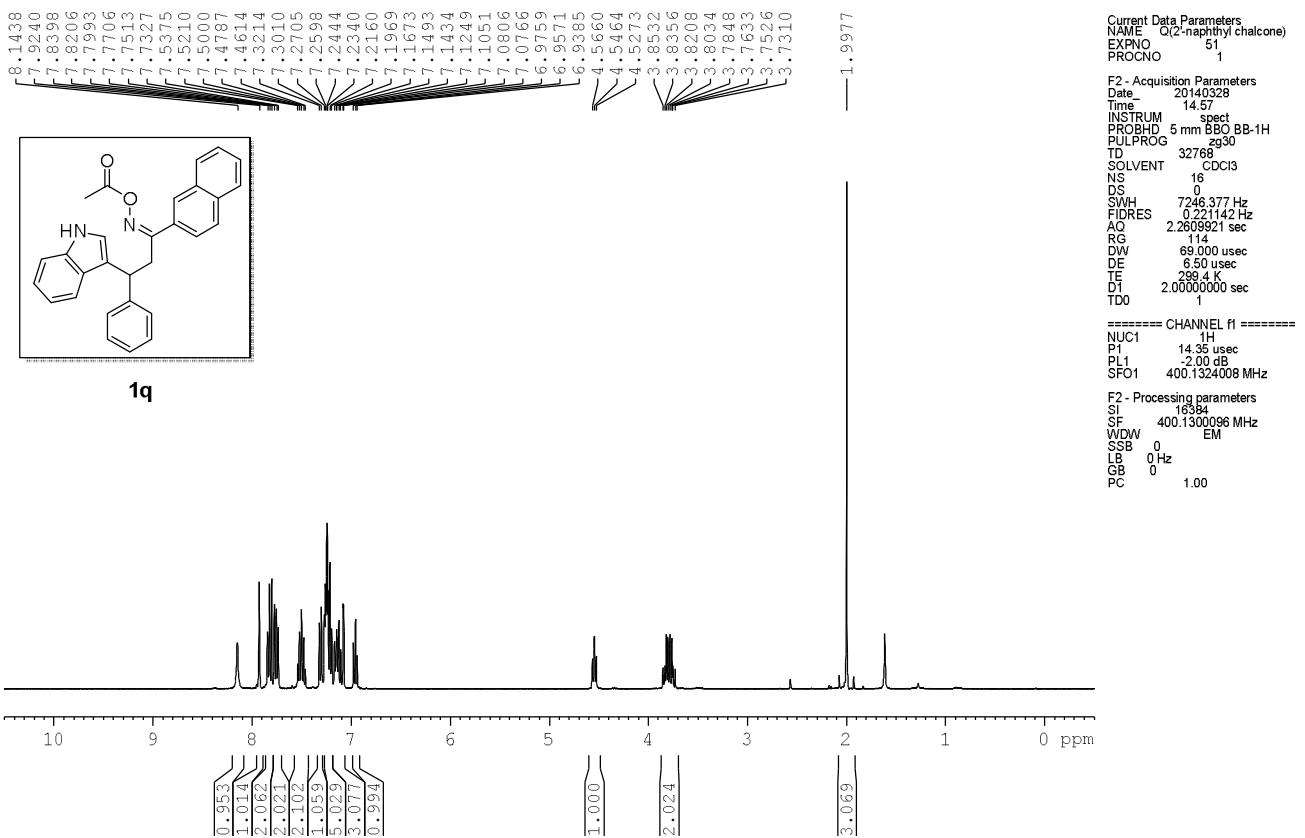
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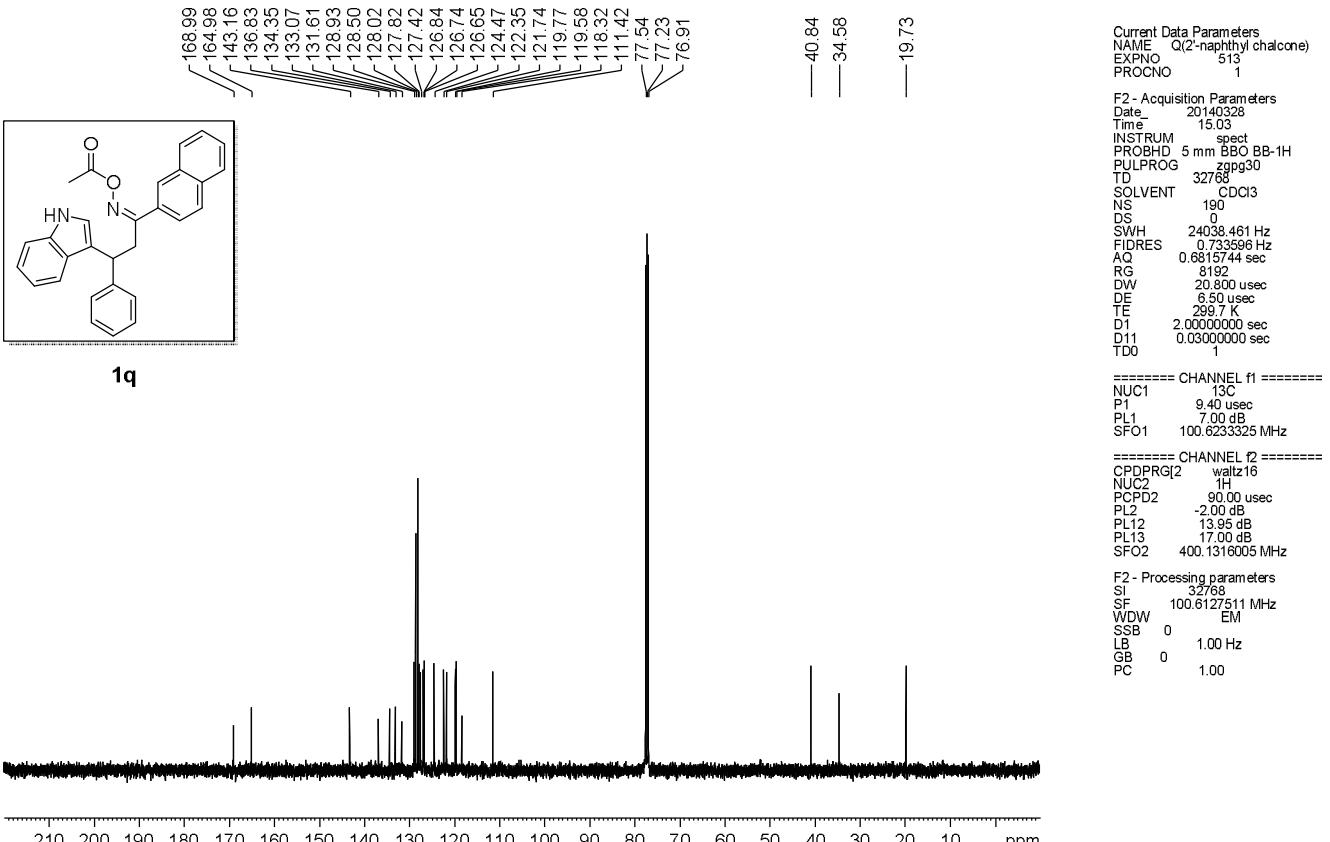
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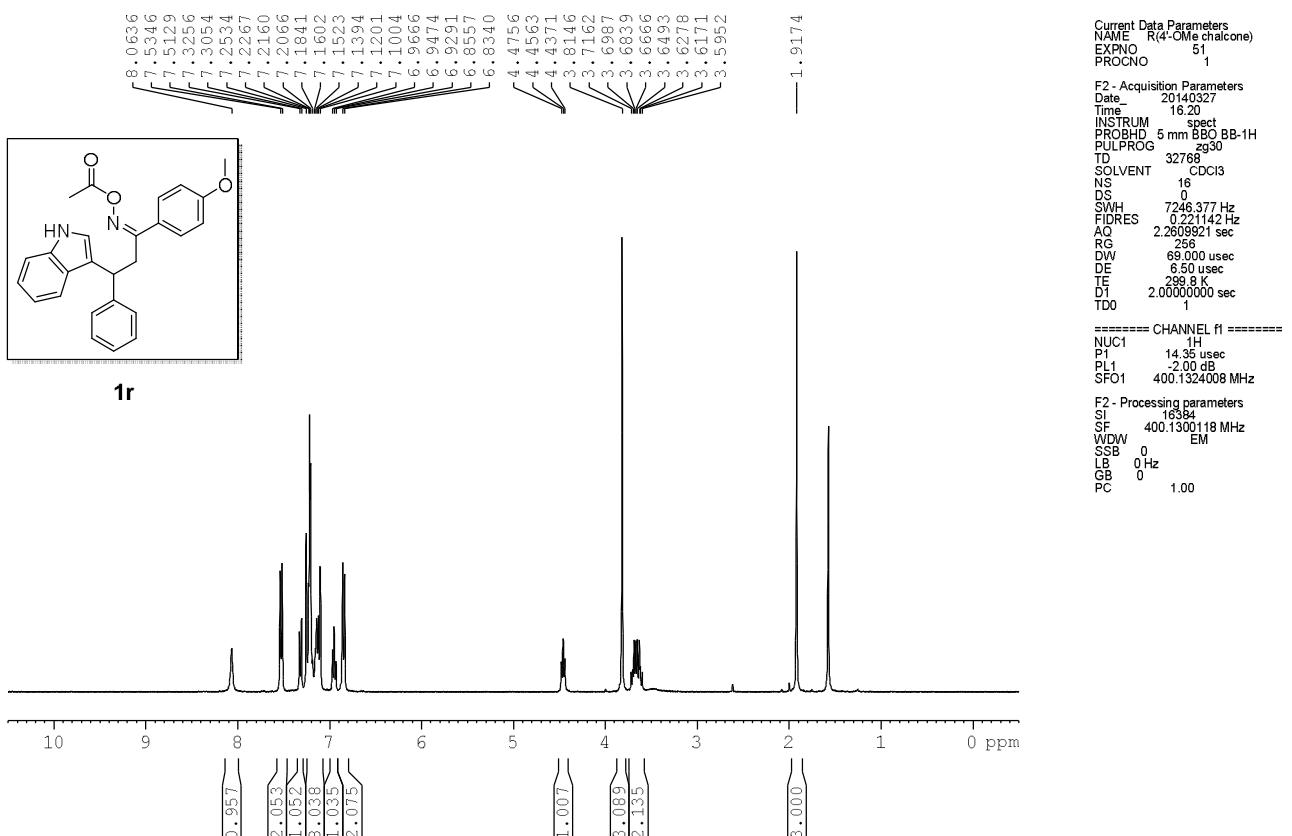
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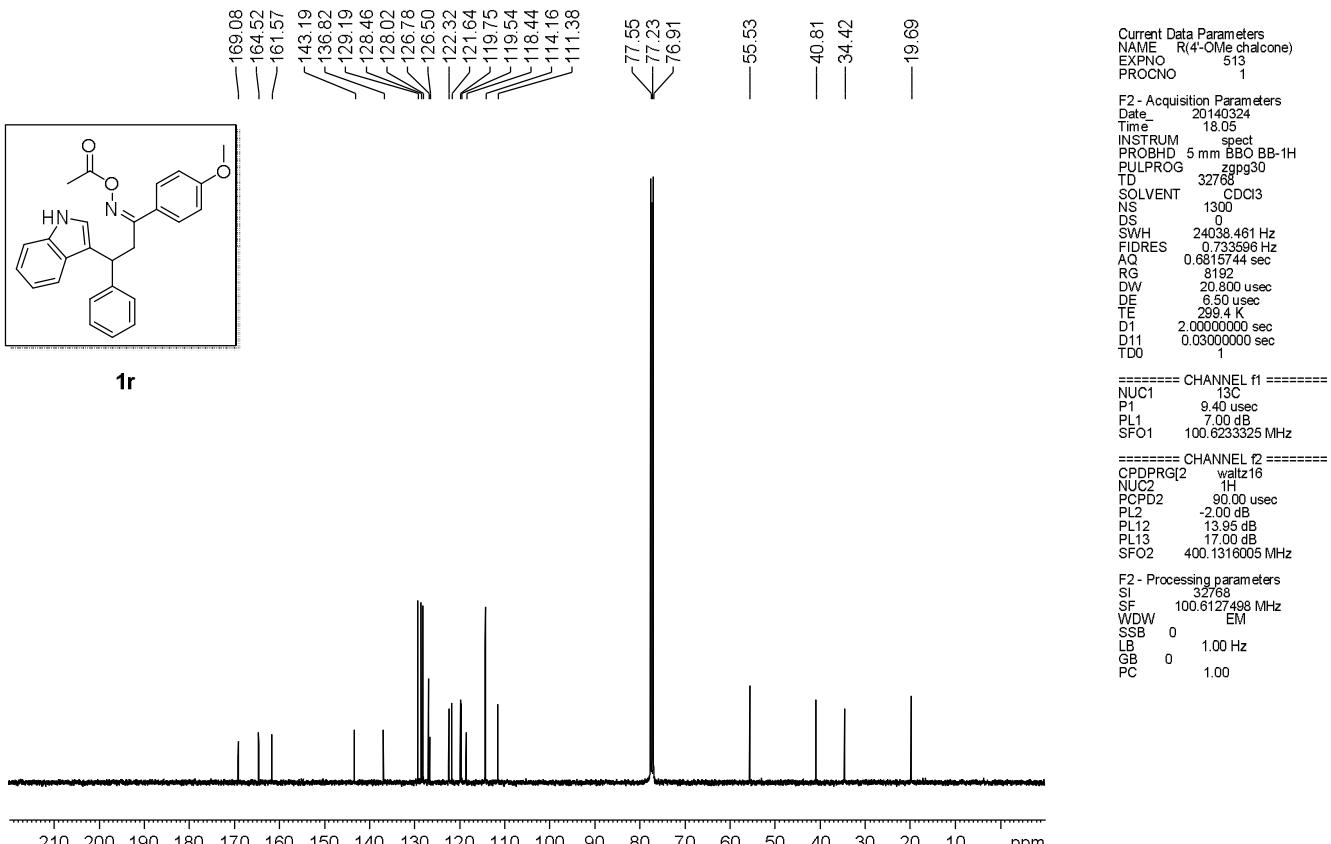
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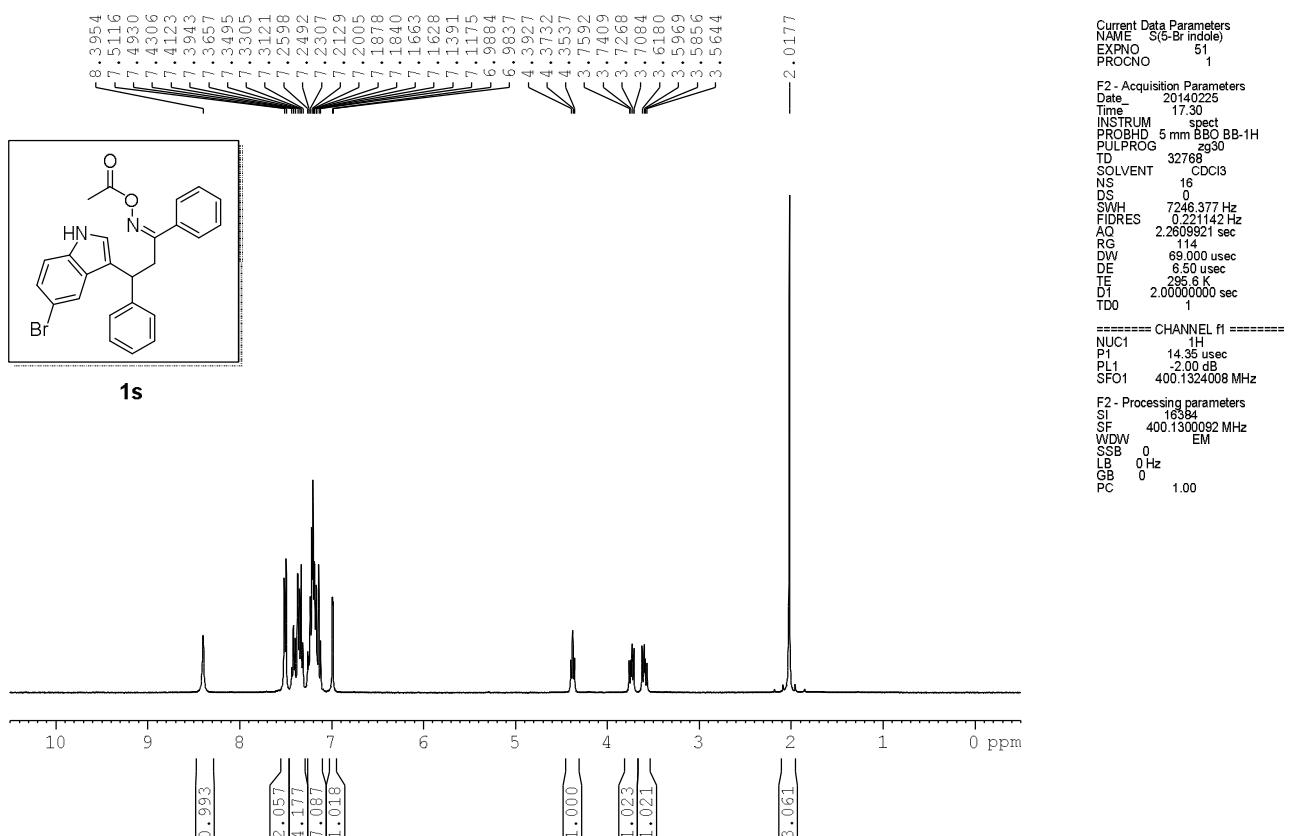
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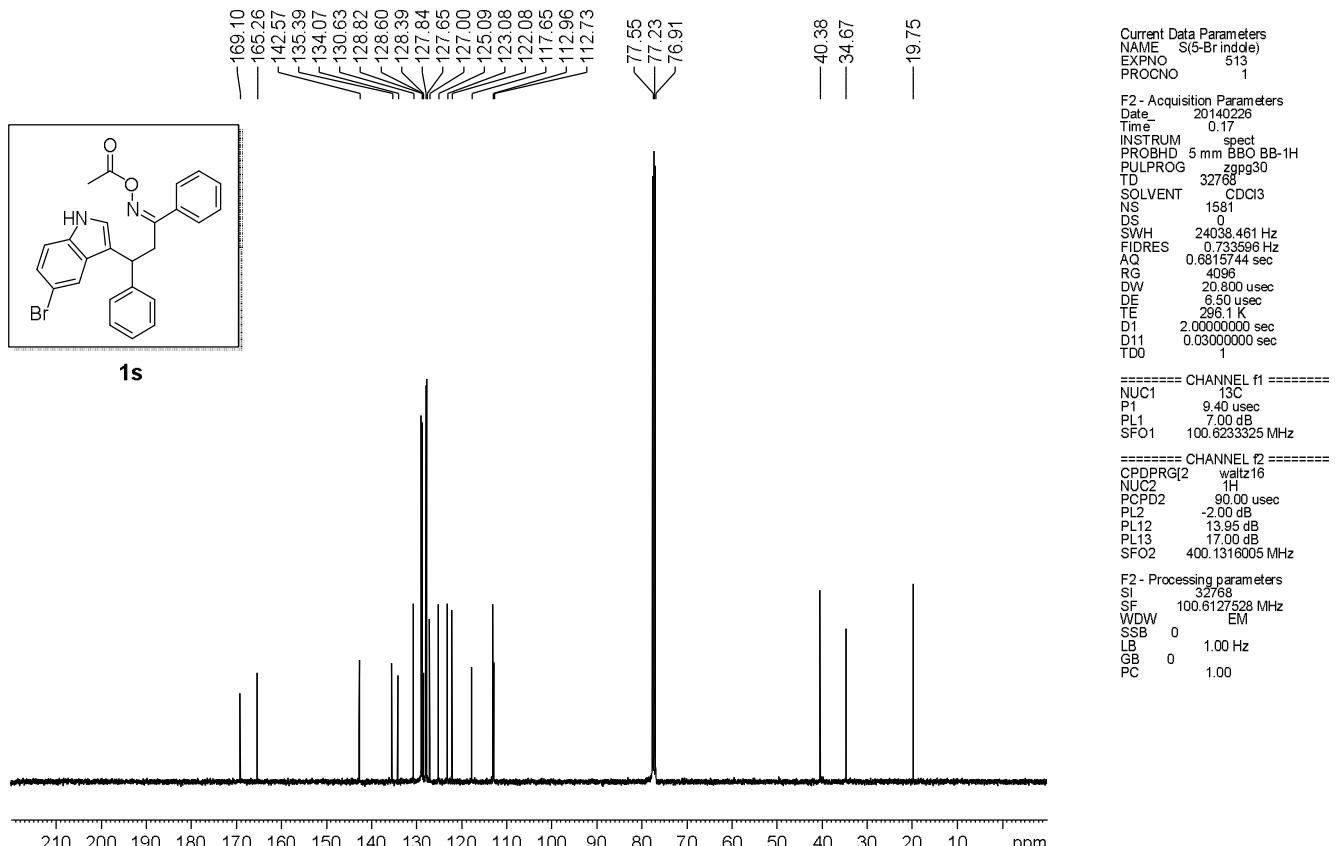
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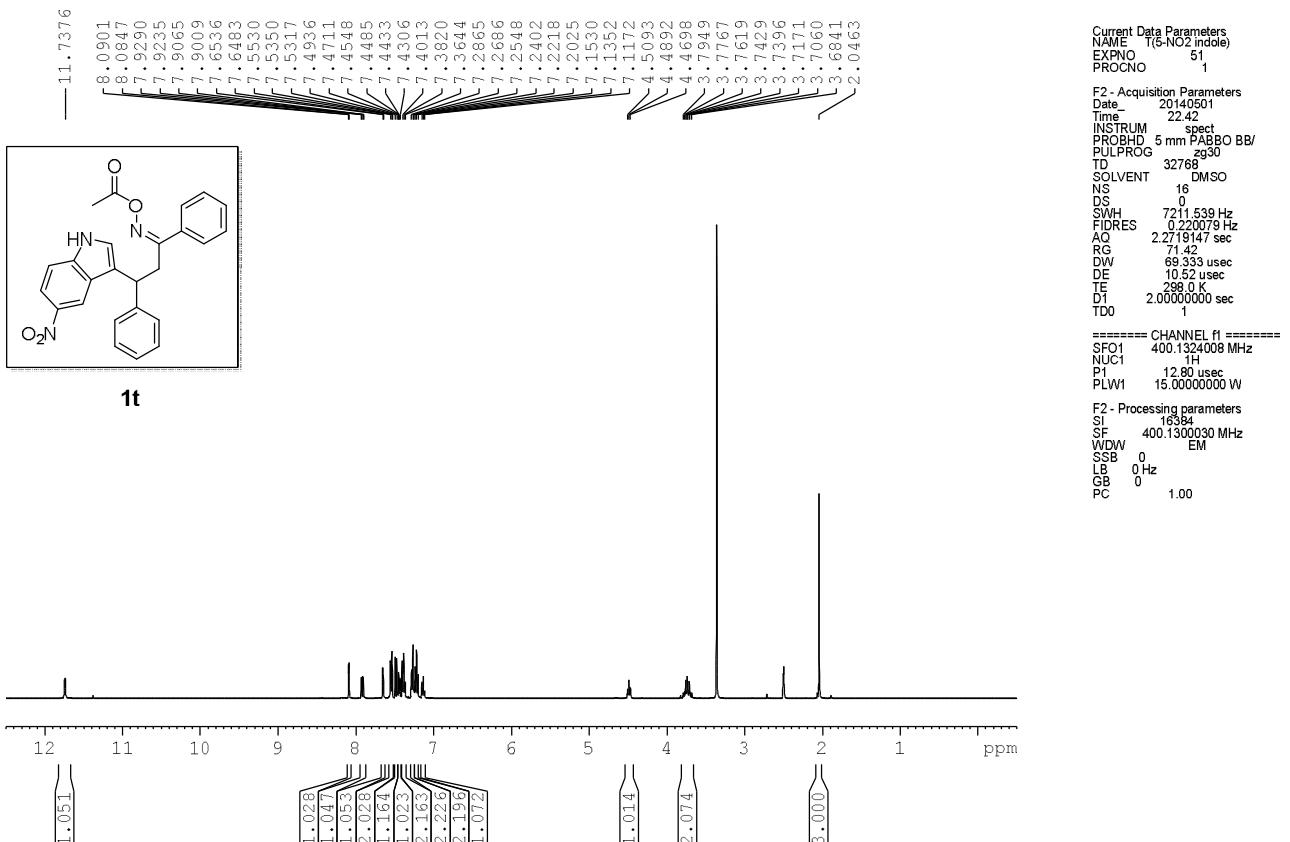
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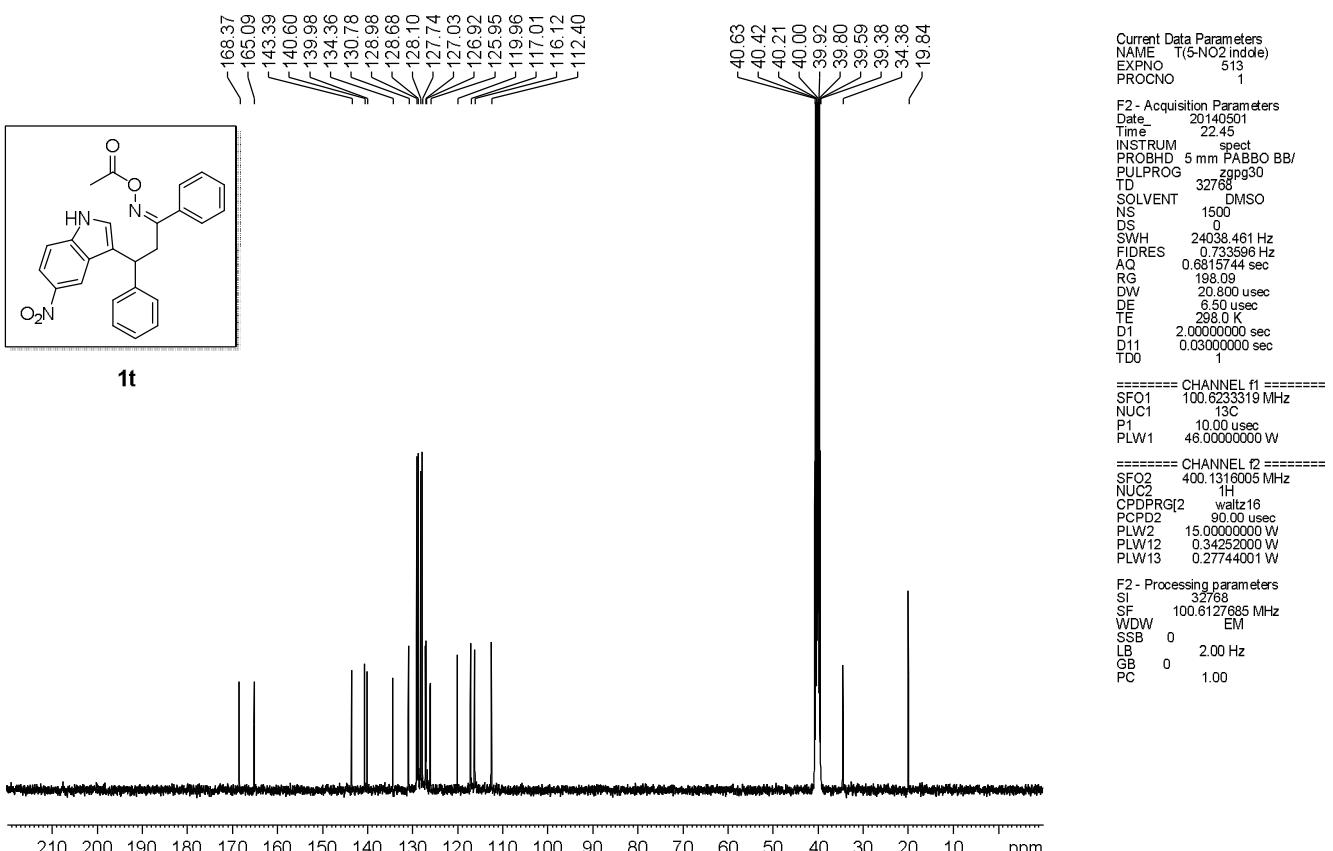
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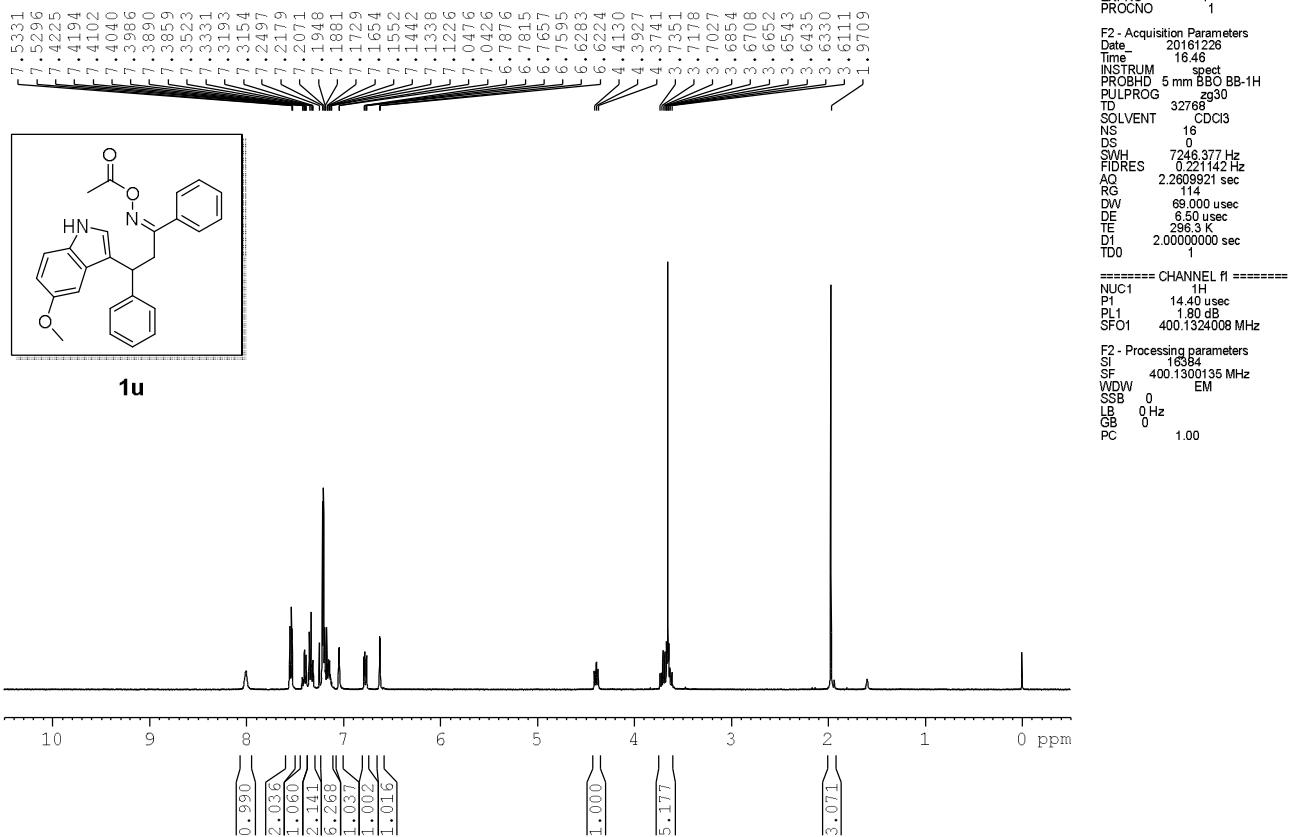
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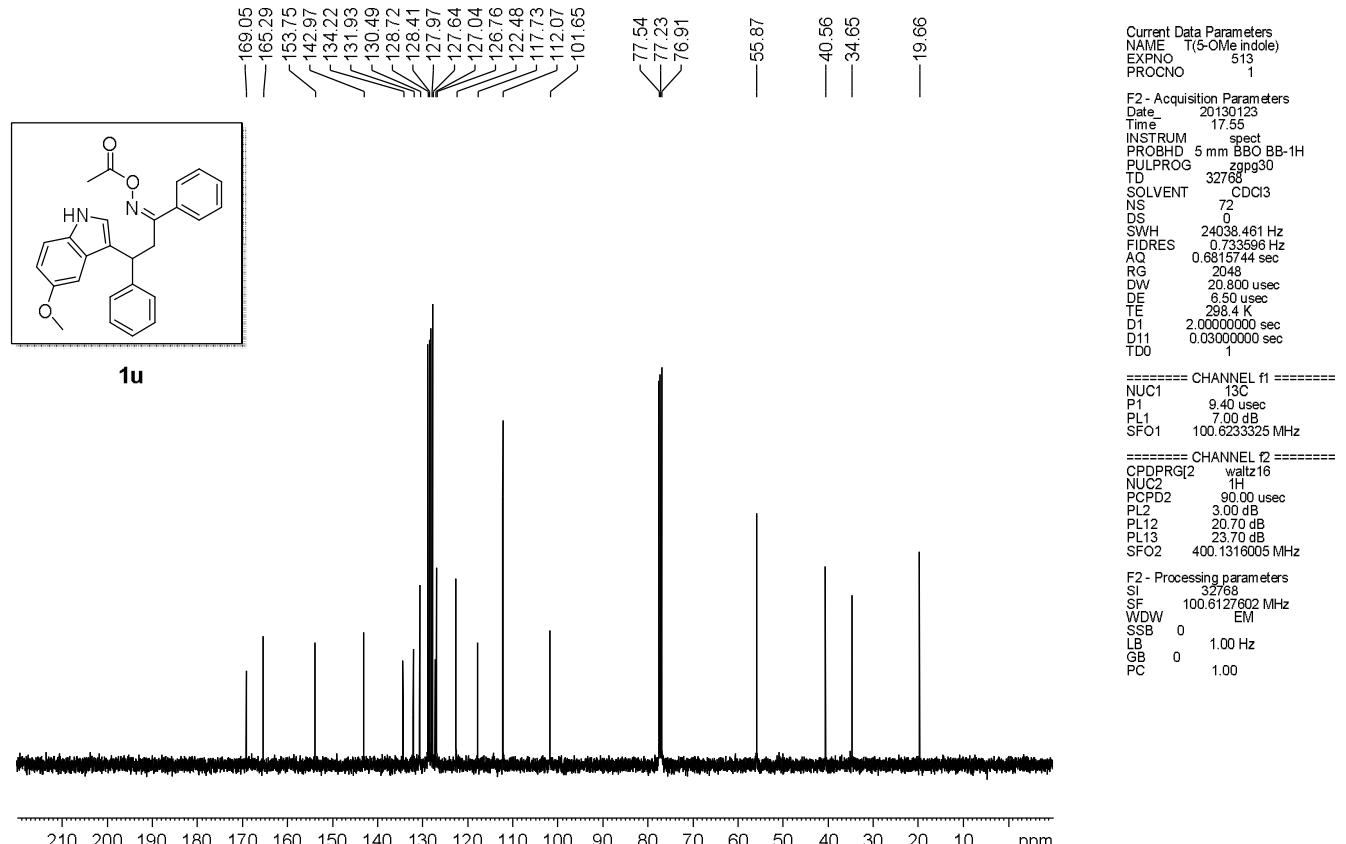
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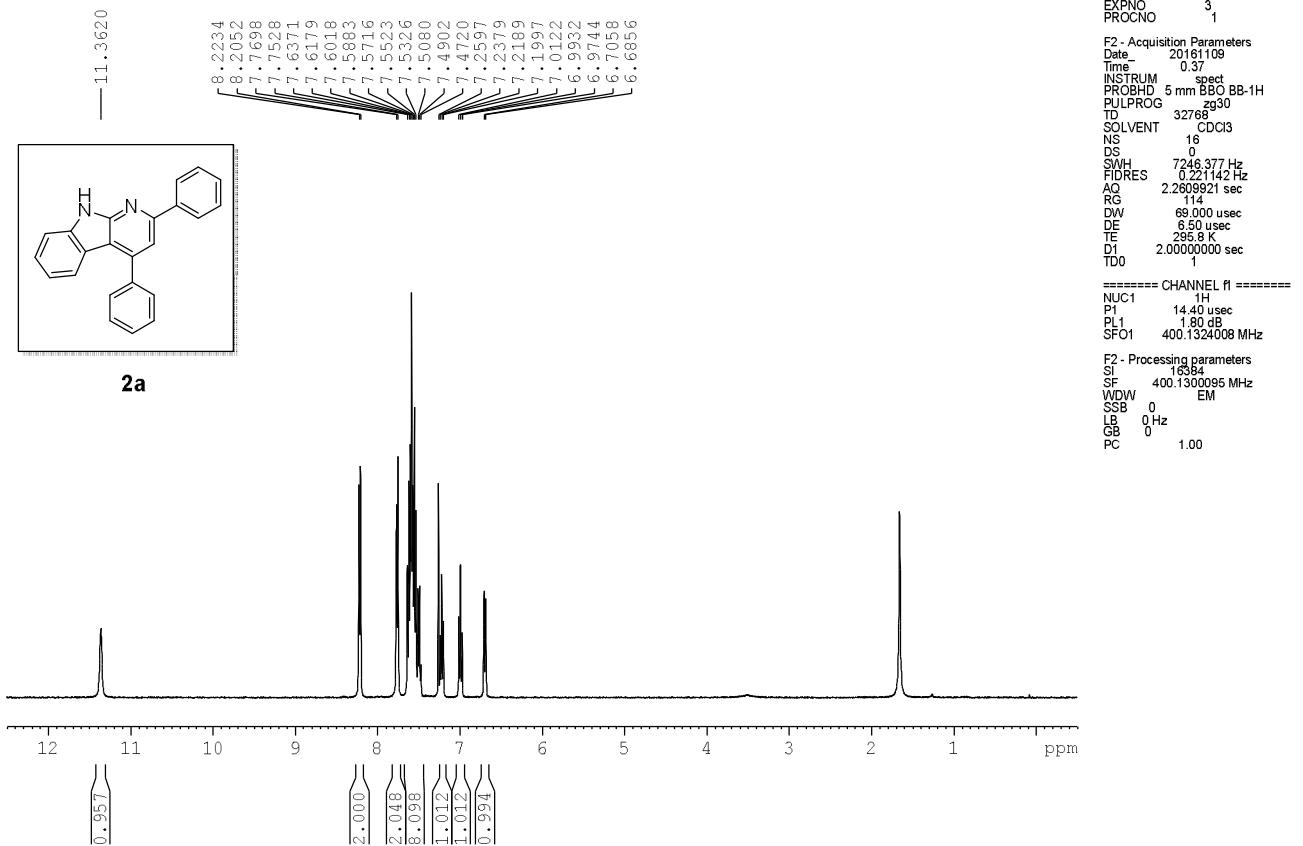
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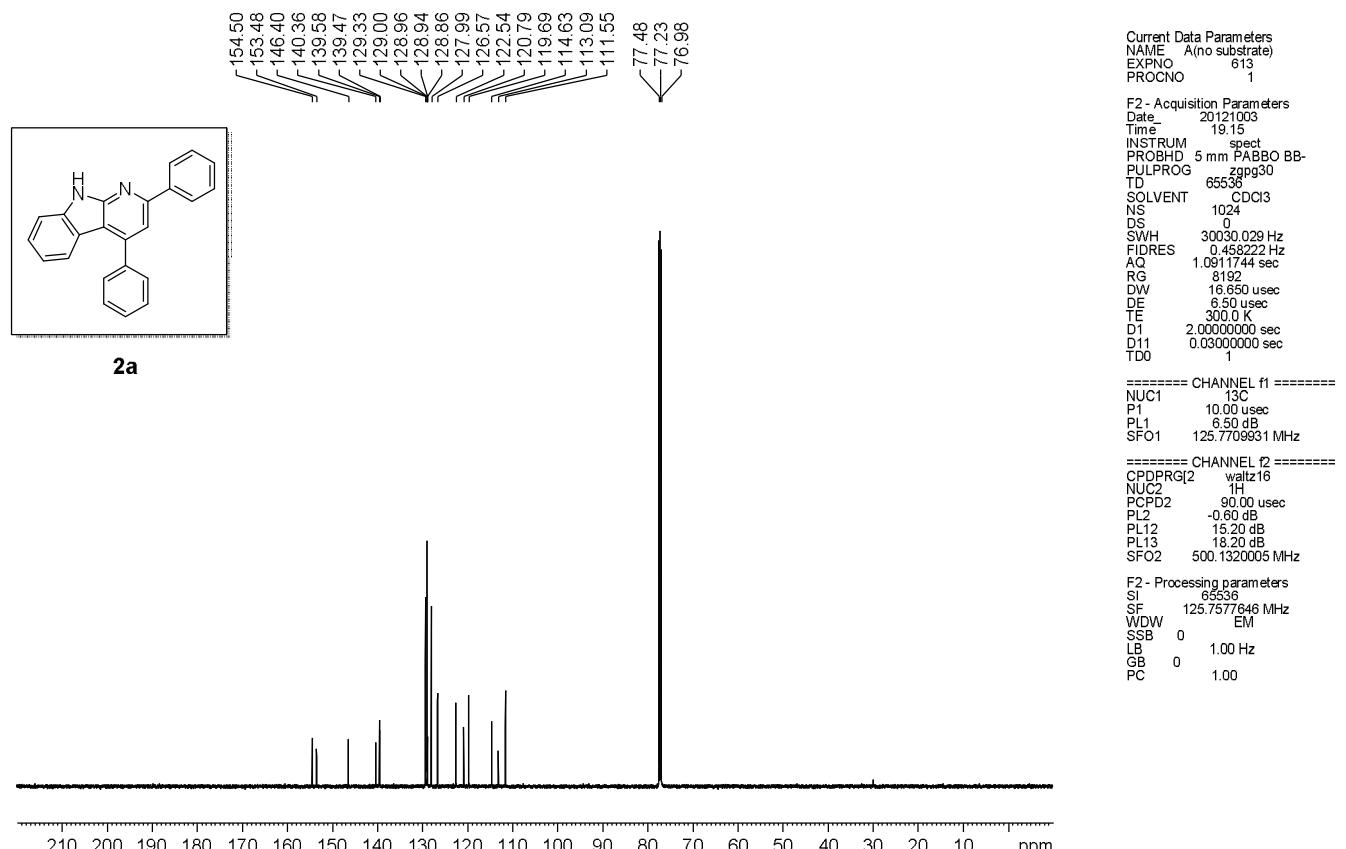
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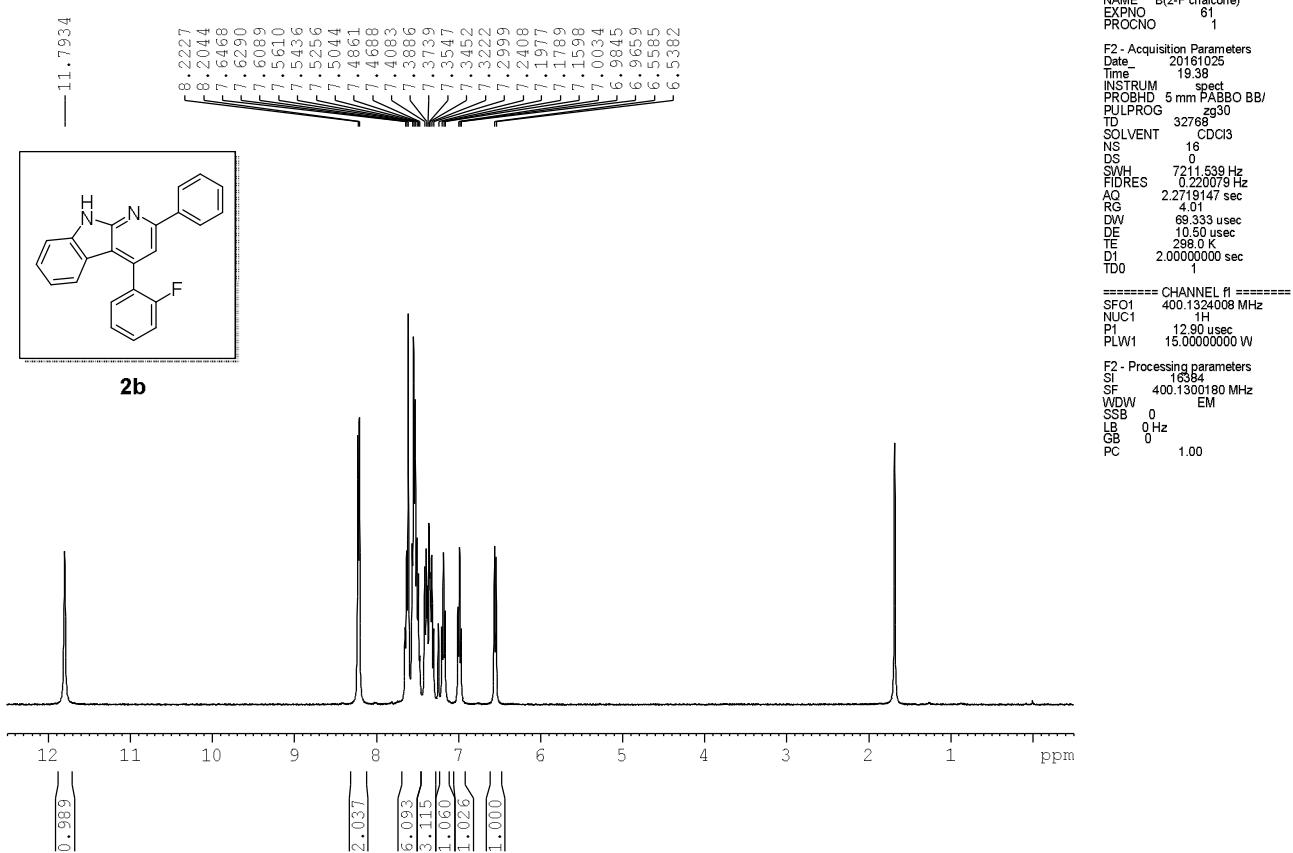
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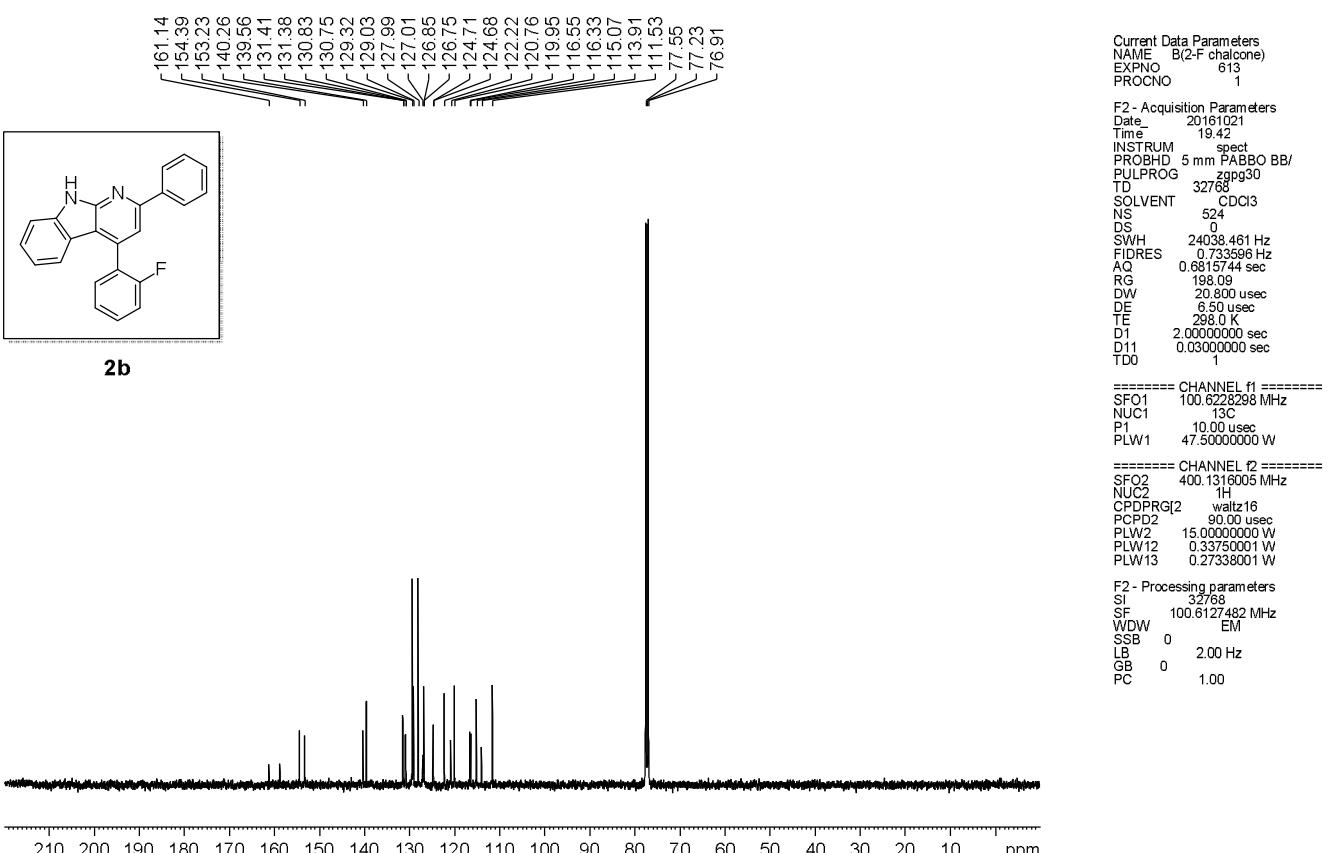
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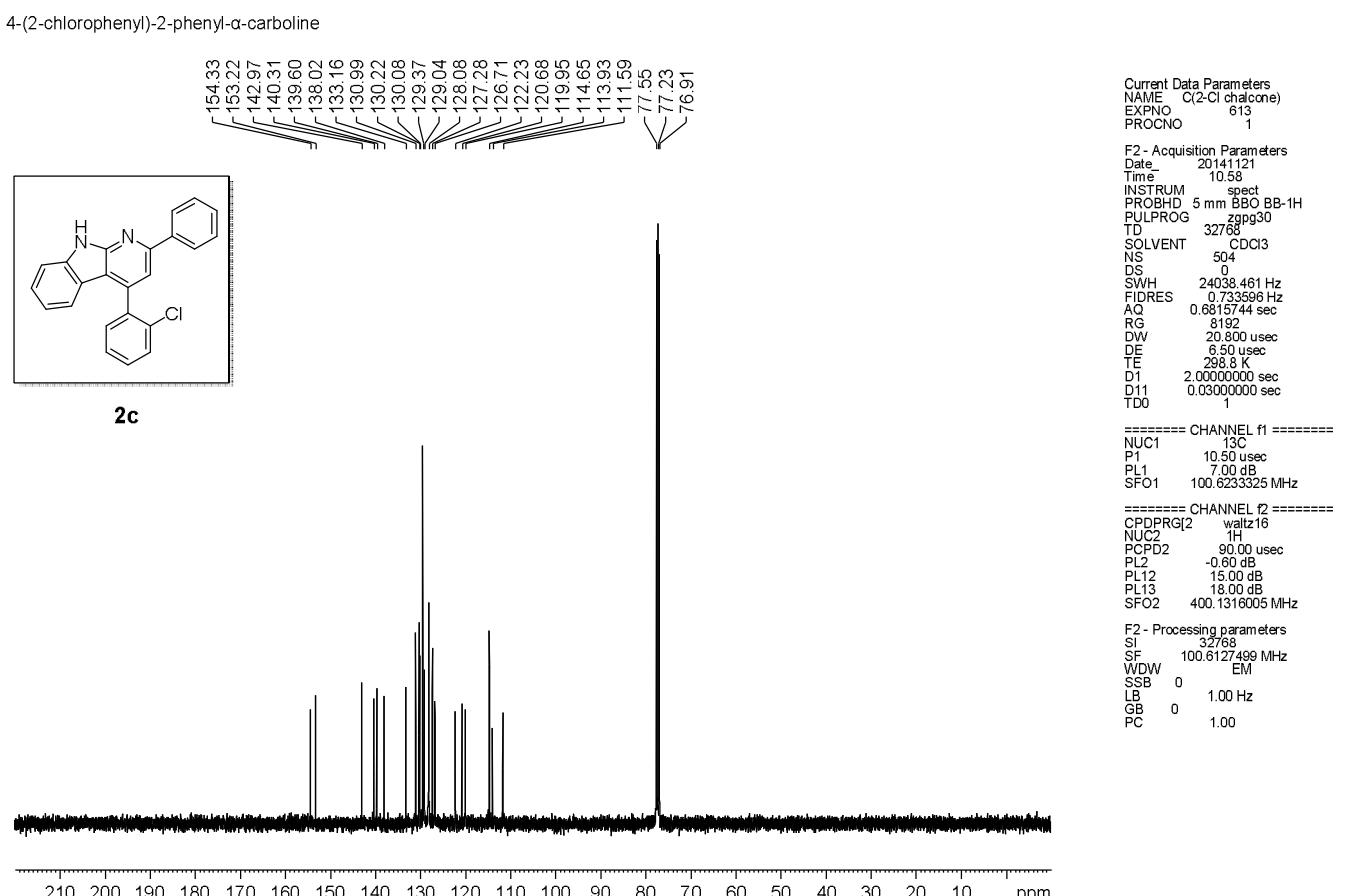
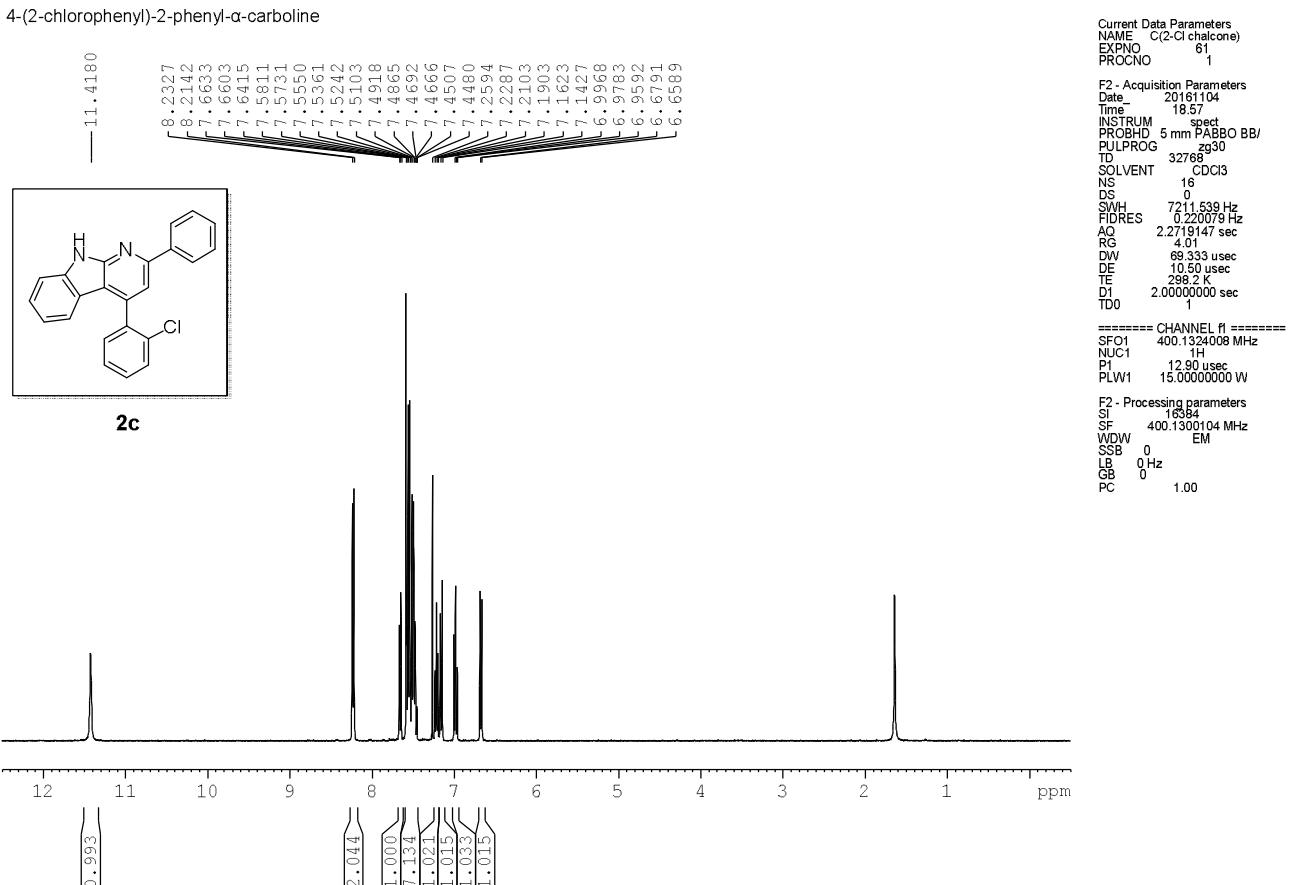


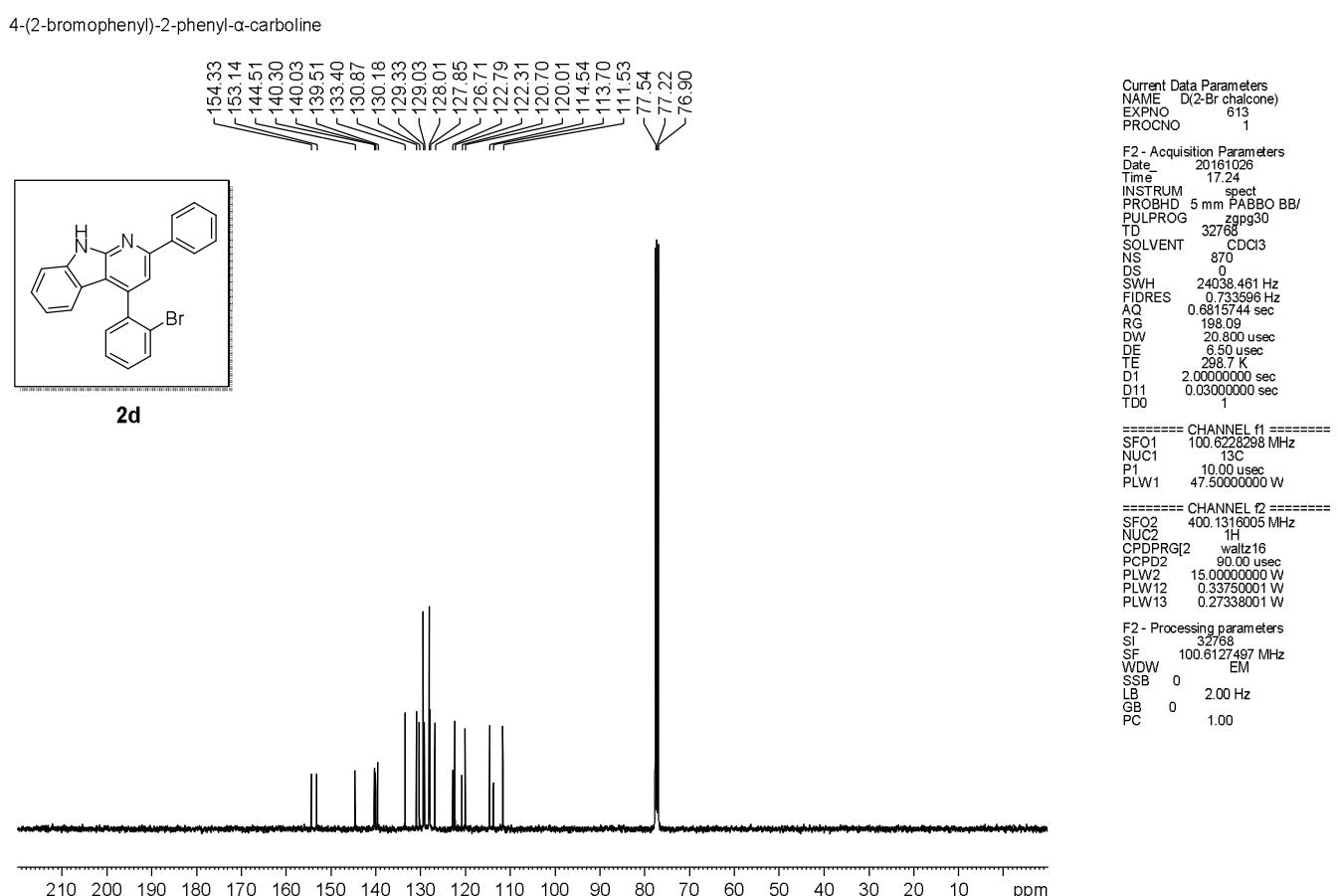
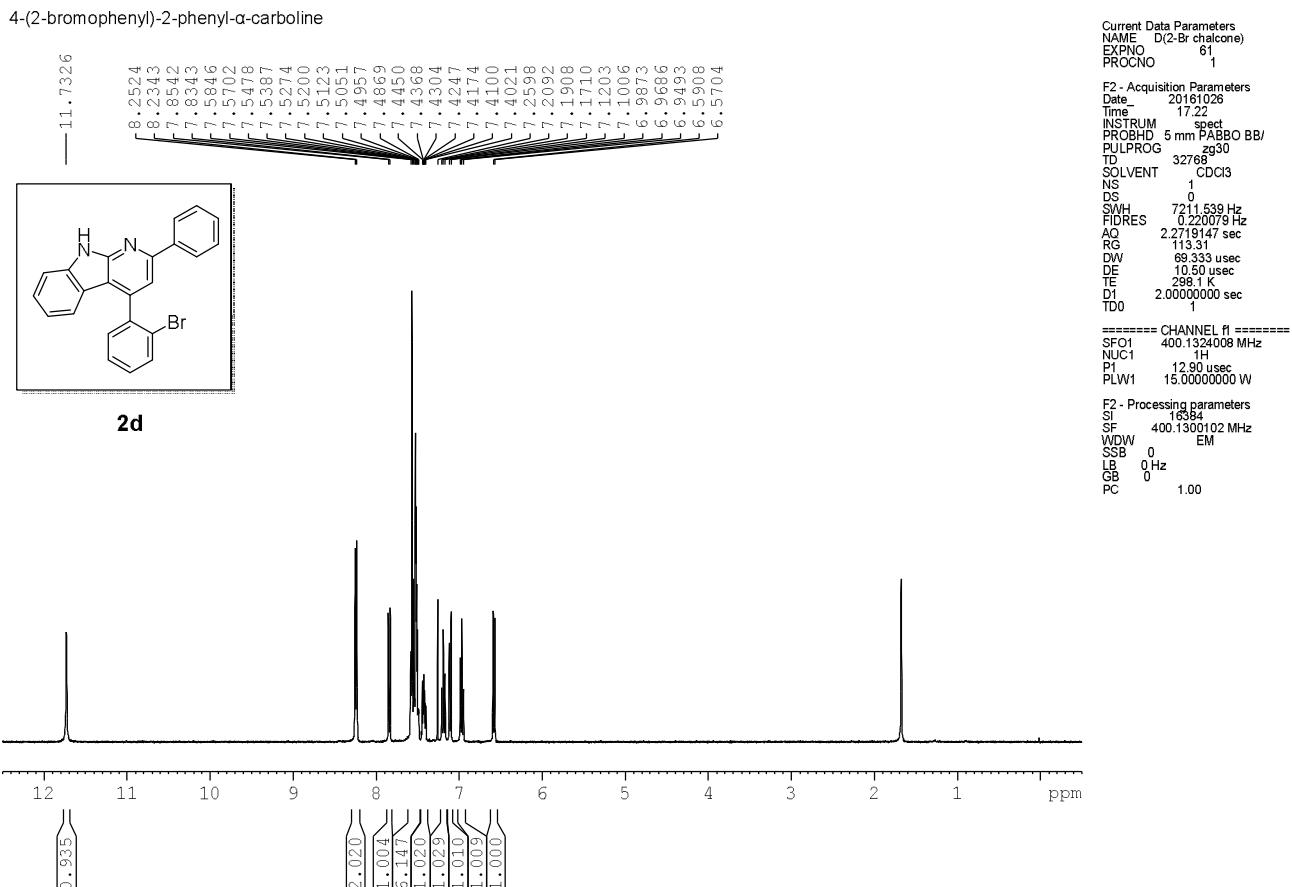
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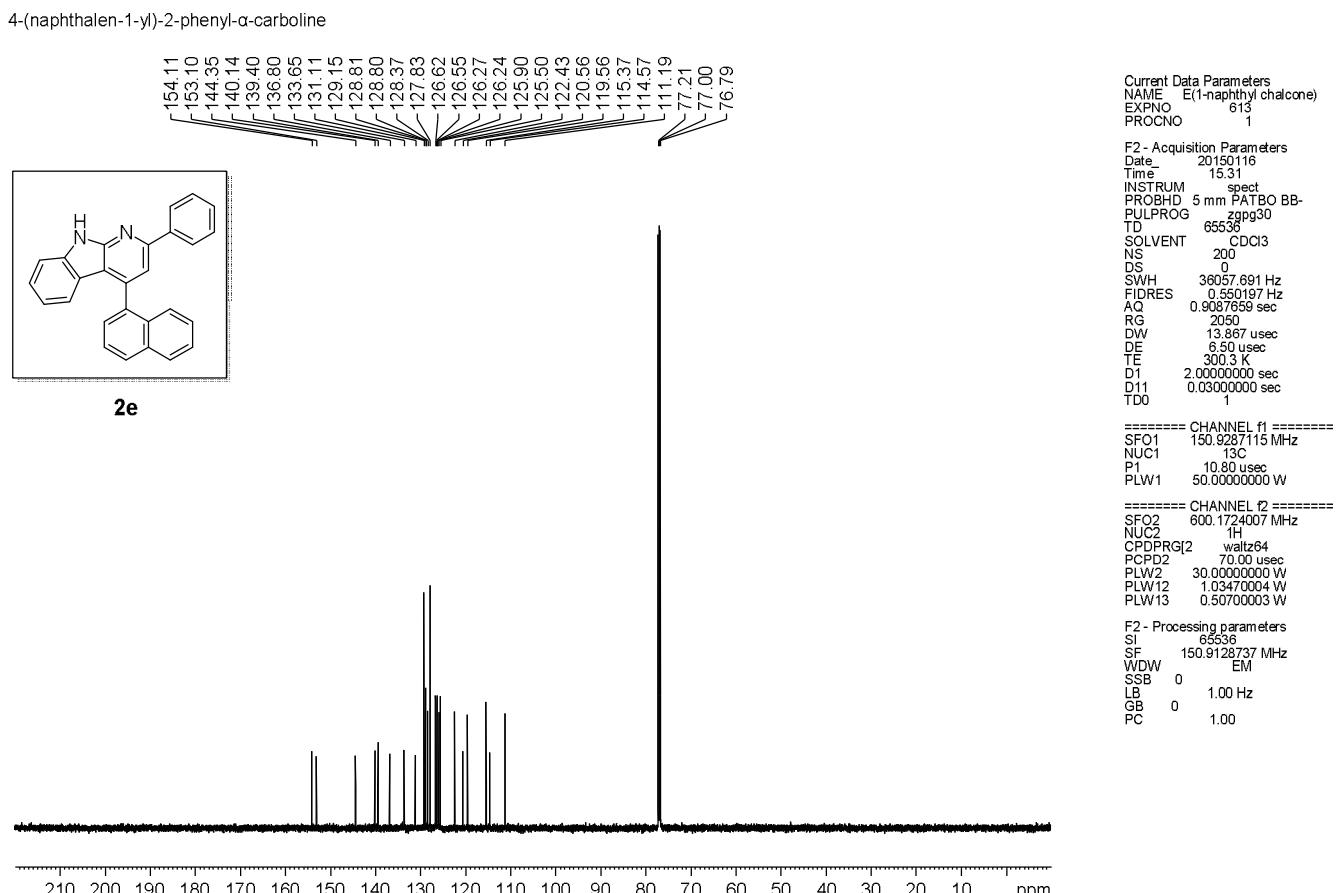
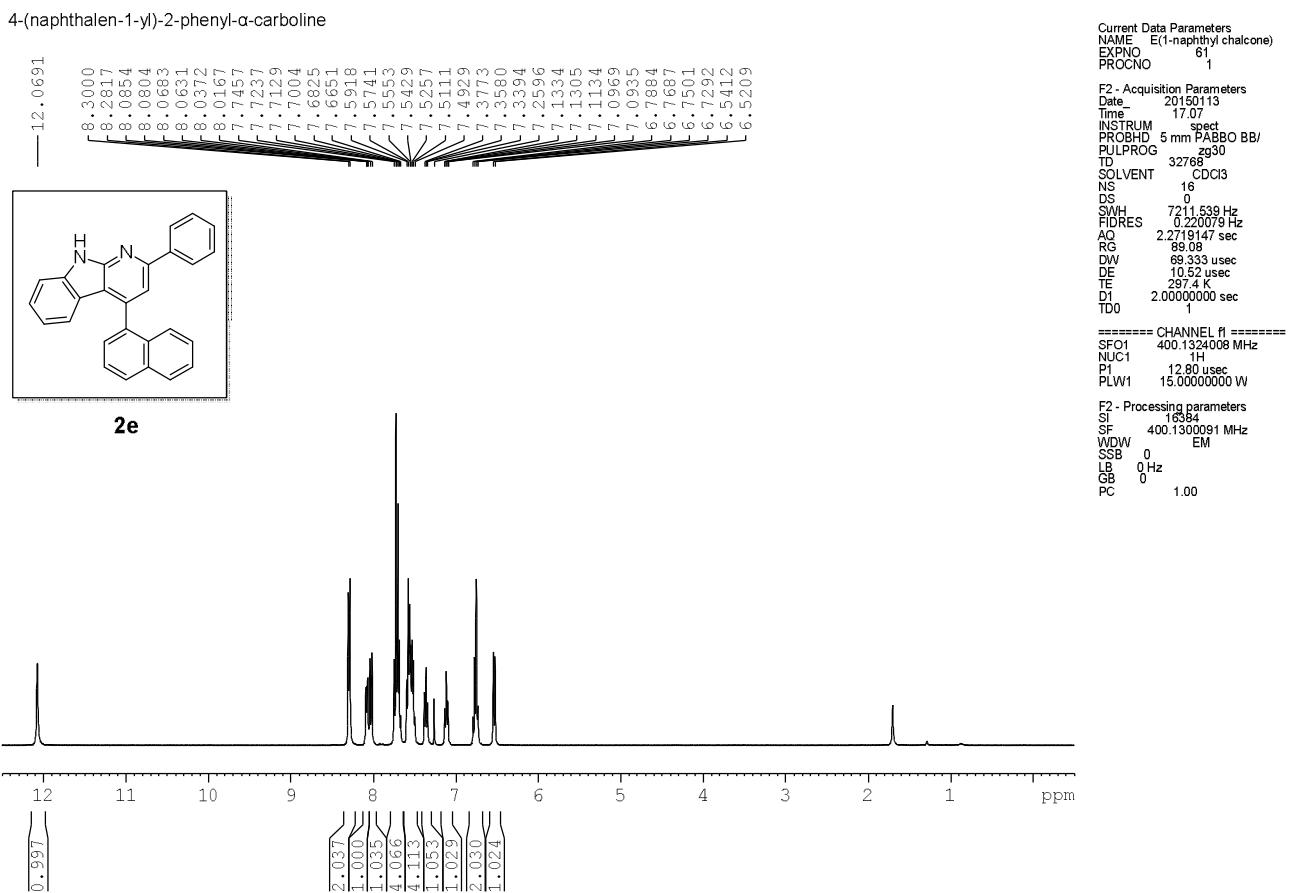


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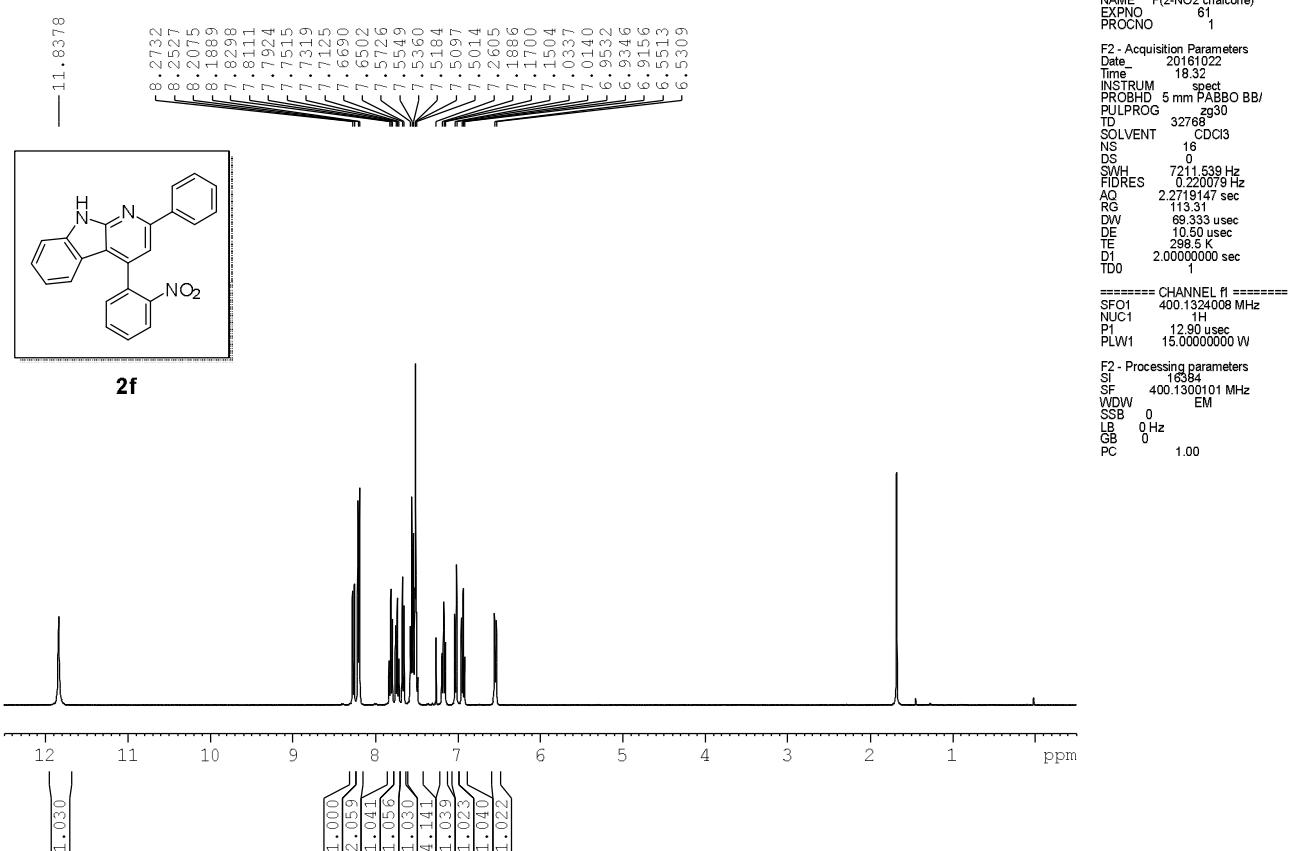




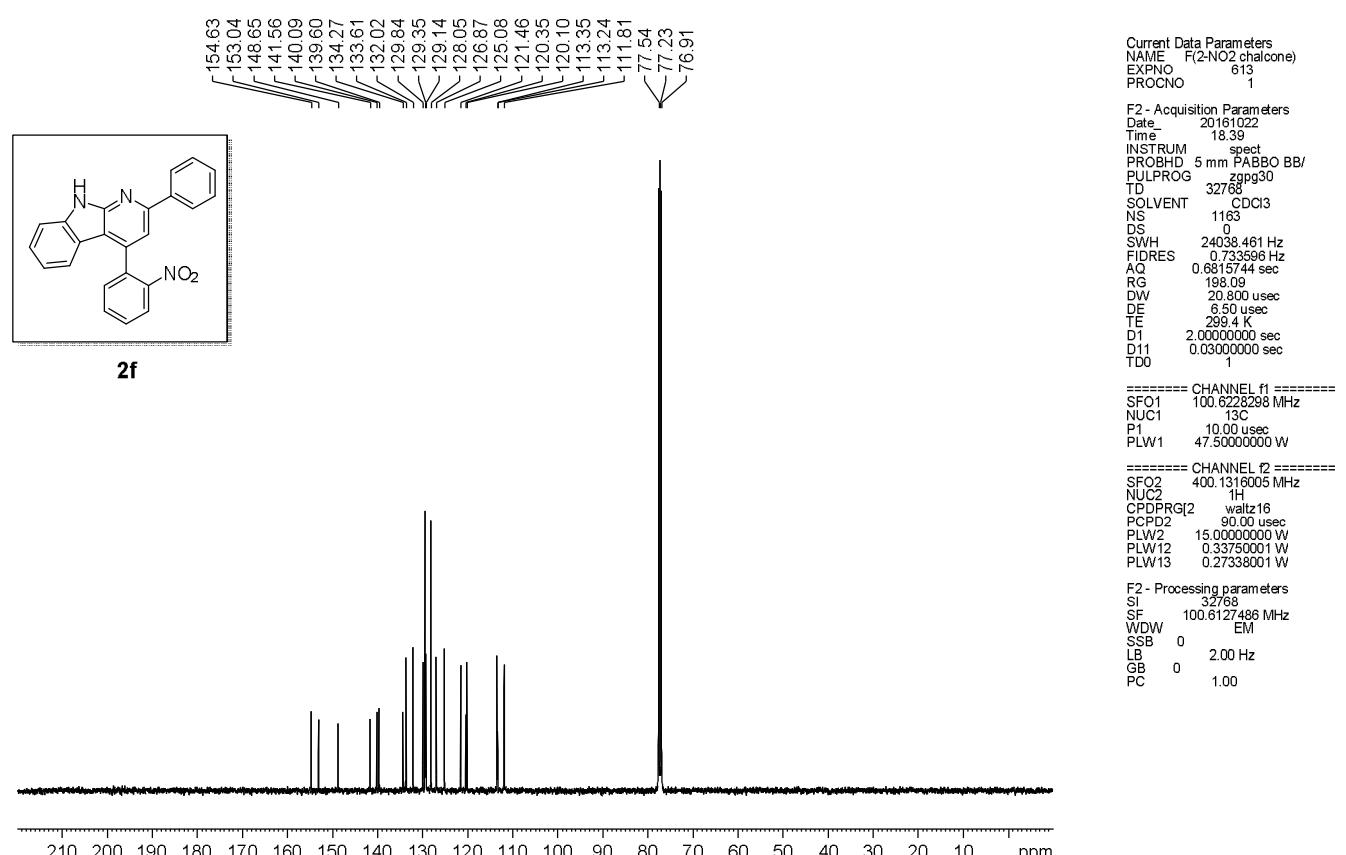




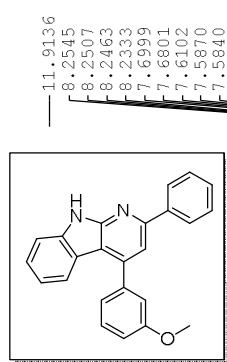
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4-(2-nitrophenyl)-2-phenyl- α -carboline



4-(3-methoxyphenyl)-2-phenyl- α -carboline



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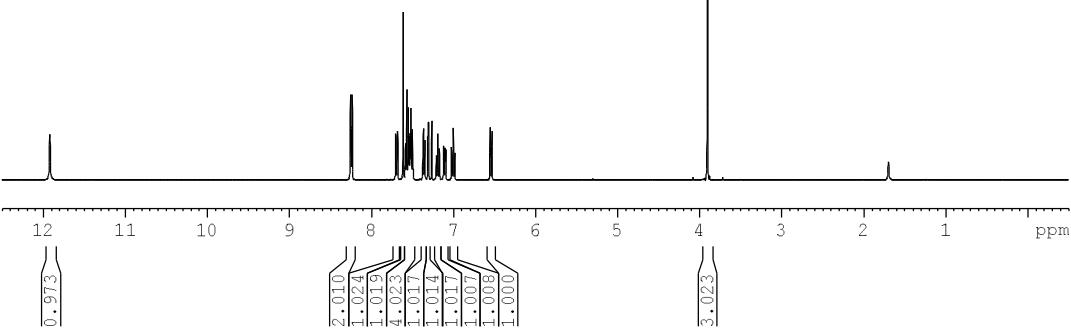
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EXPNO 61
PROCNO

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PULPROG zg30
TD 32768
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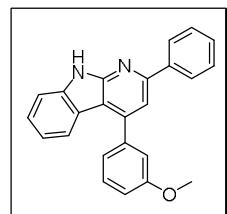
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PROCNO 1

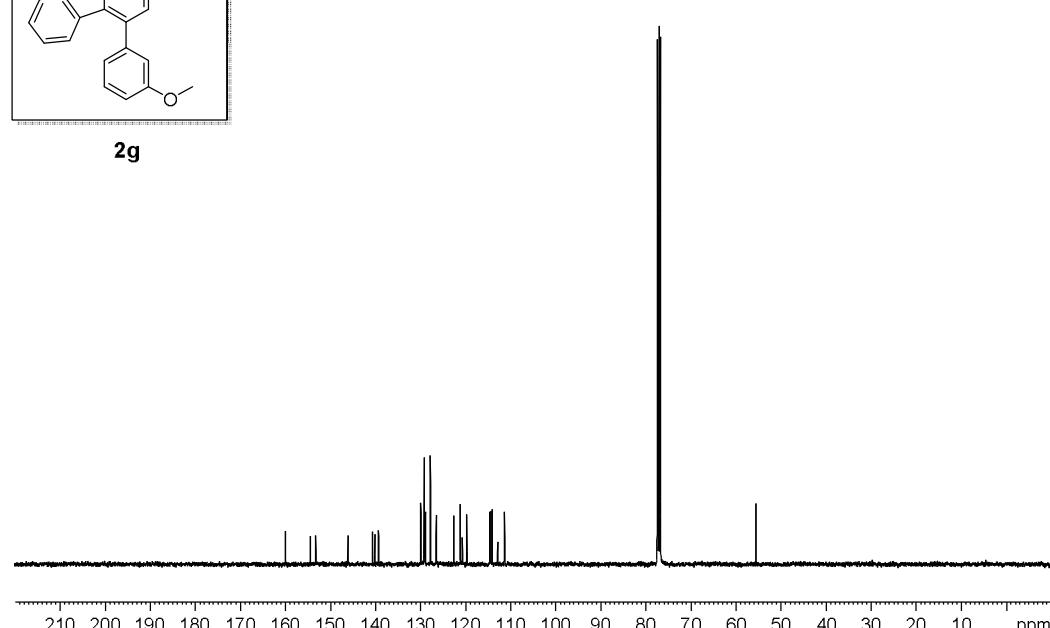
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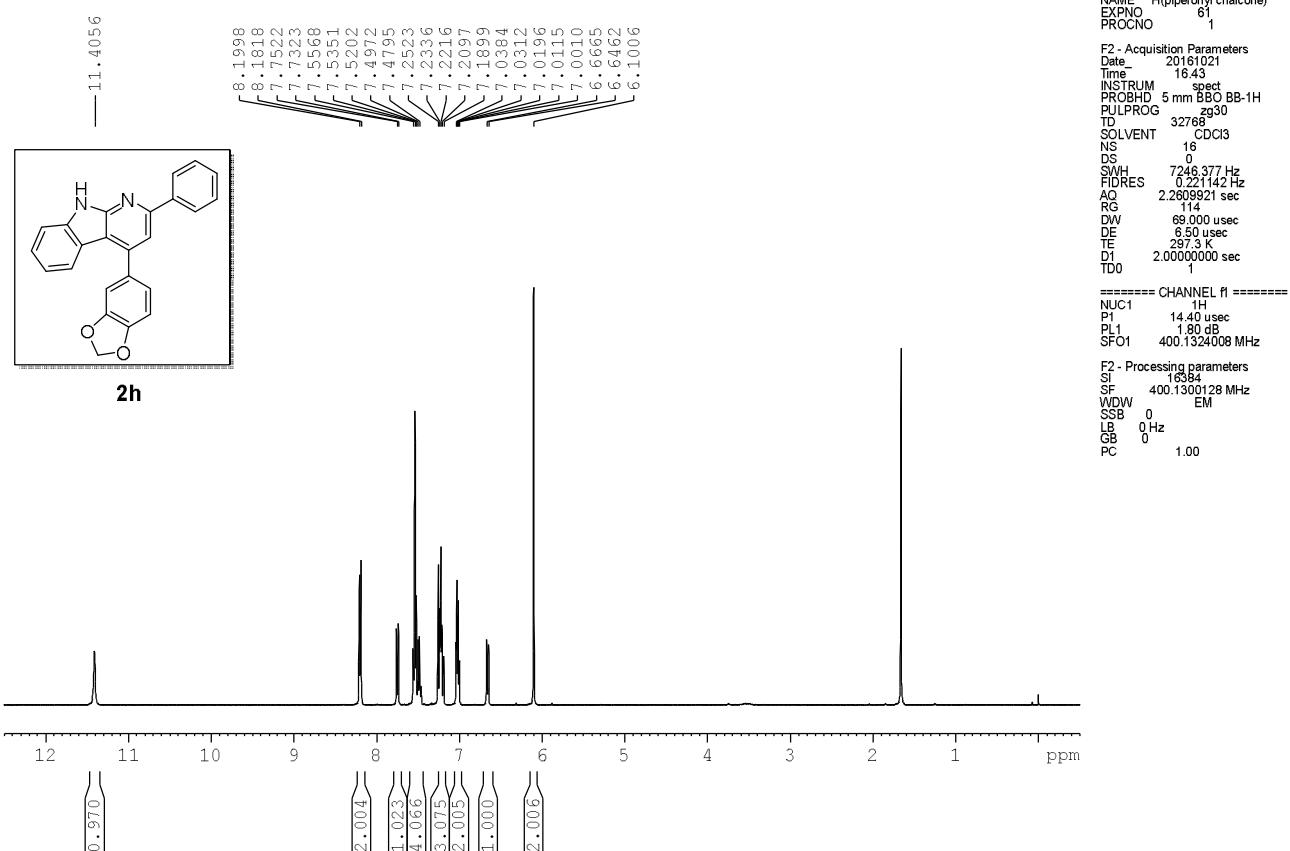
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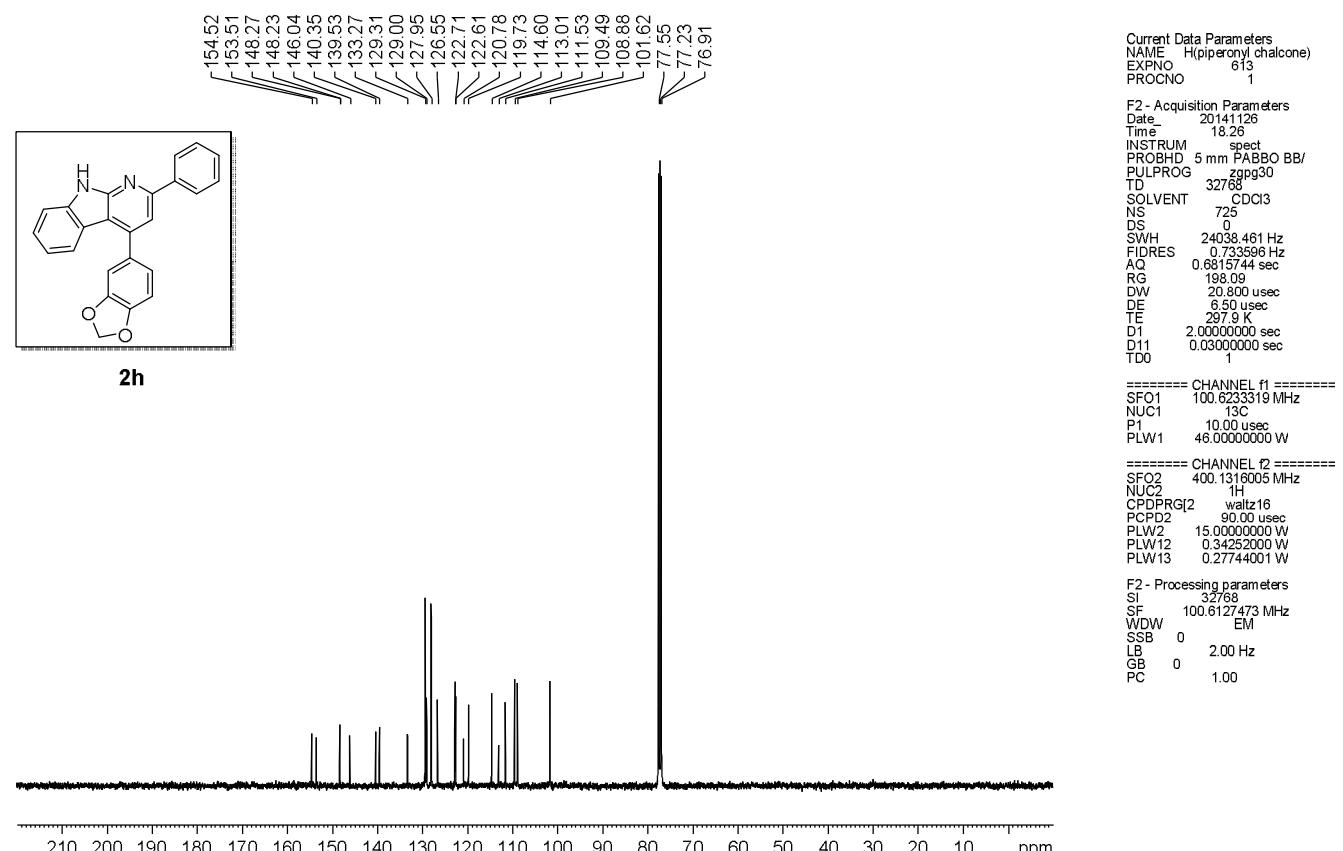
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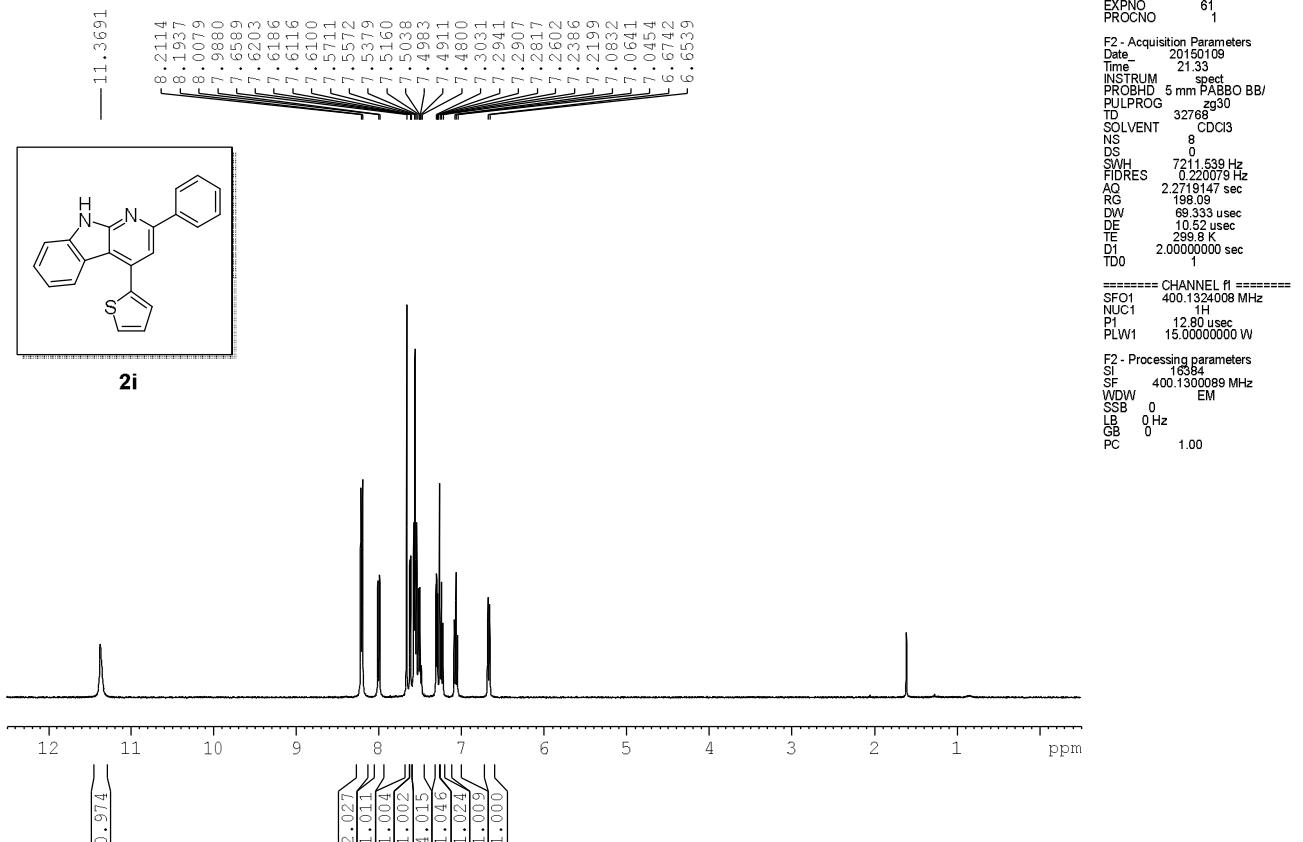
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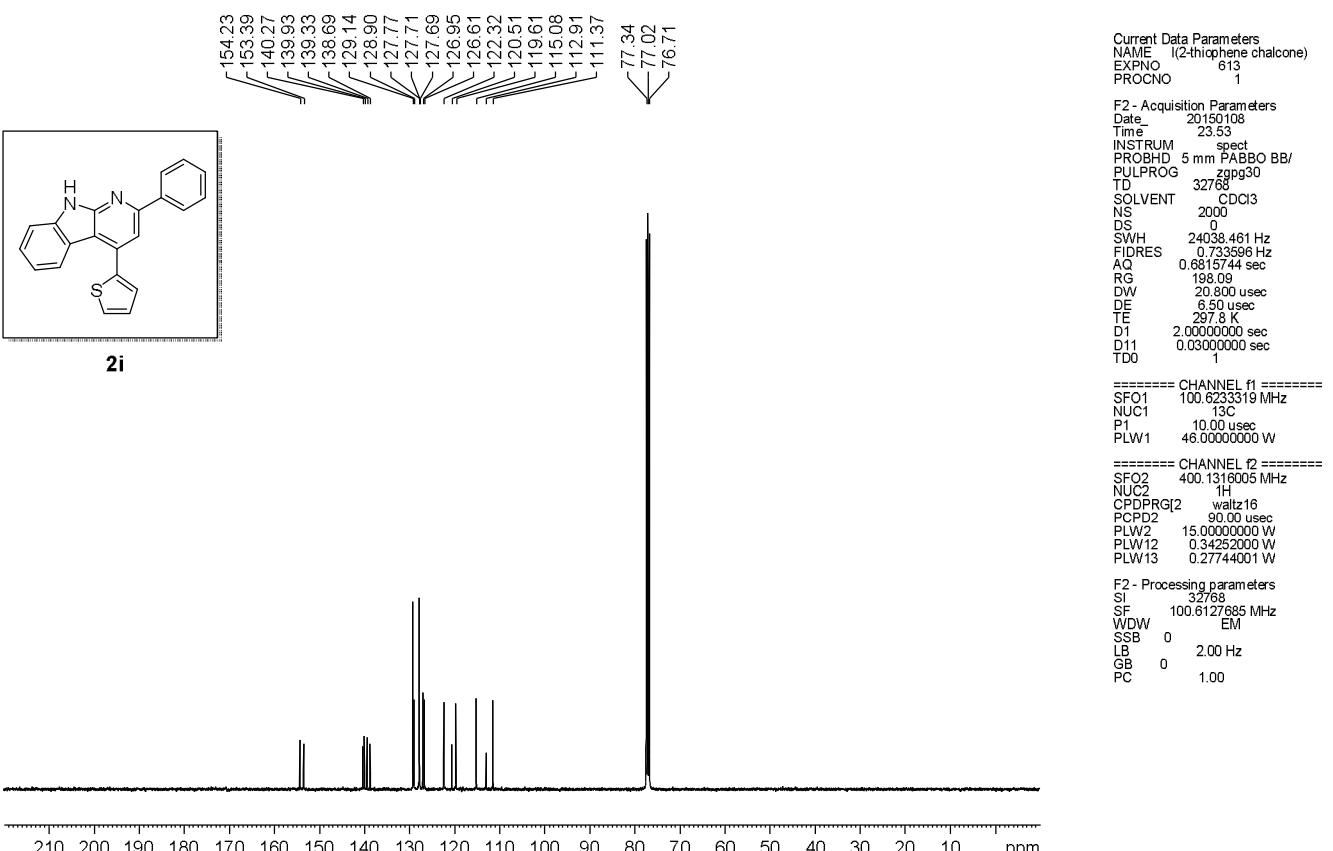
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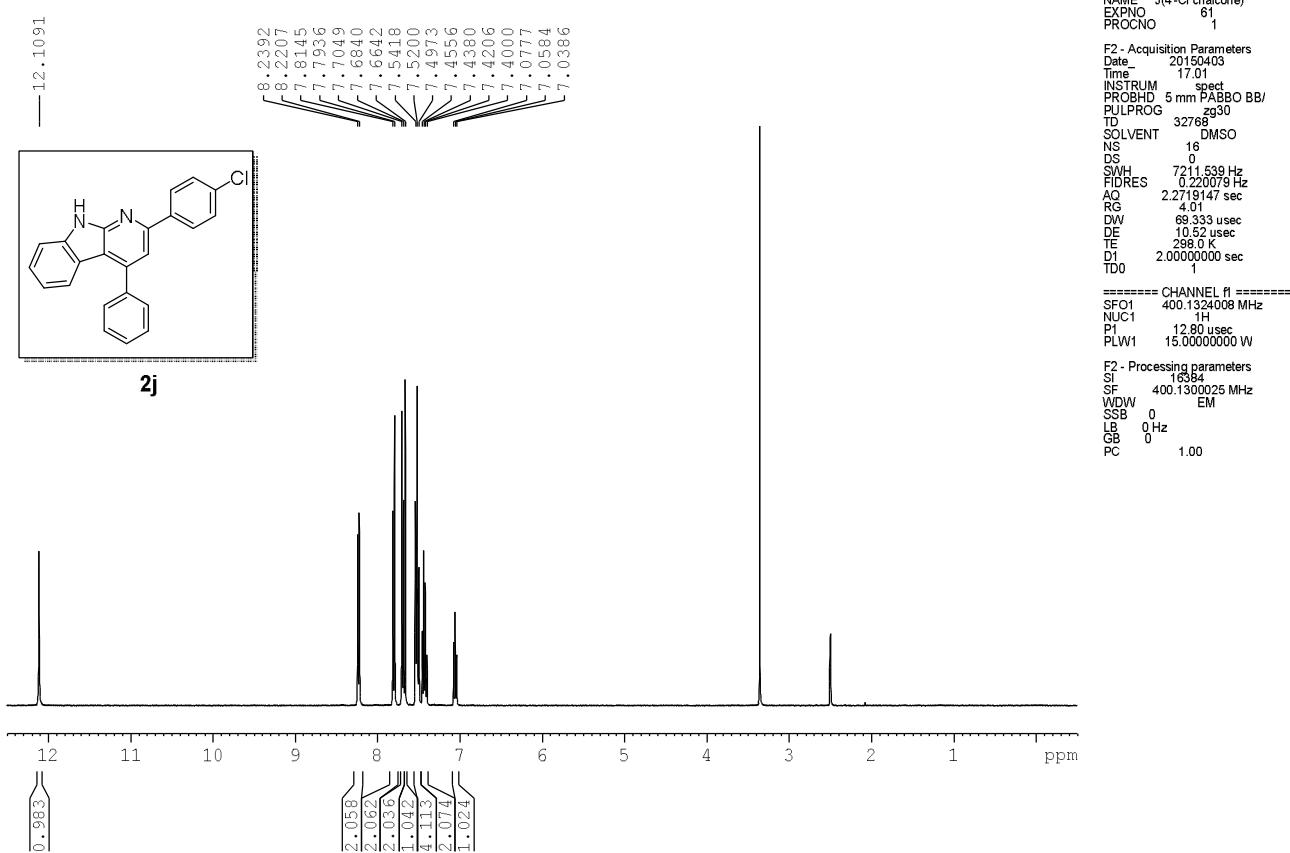
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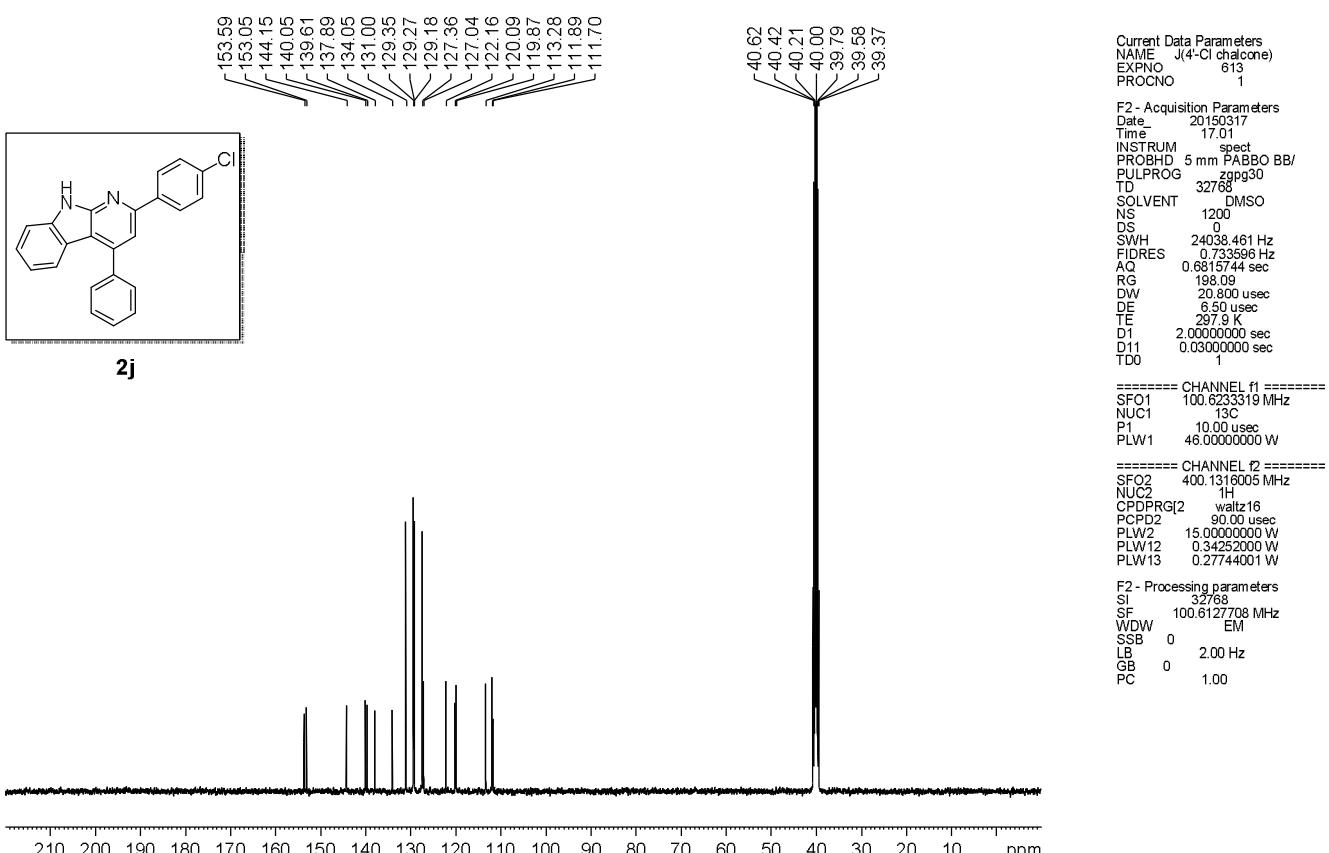
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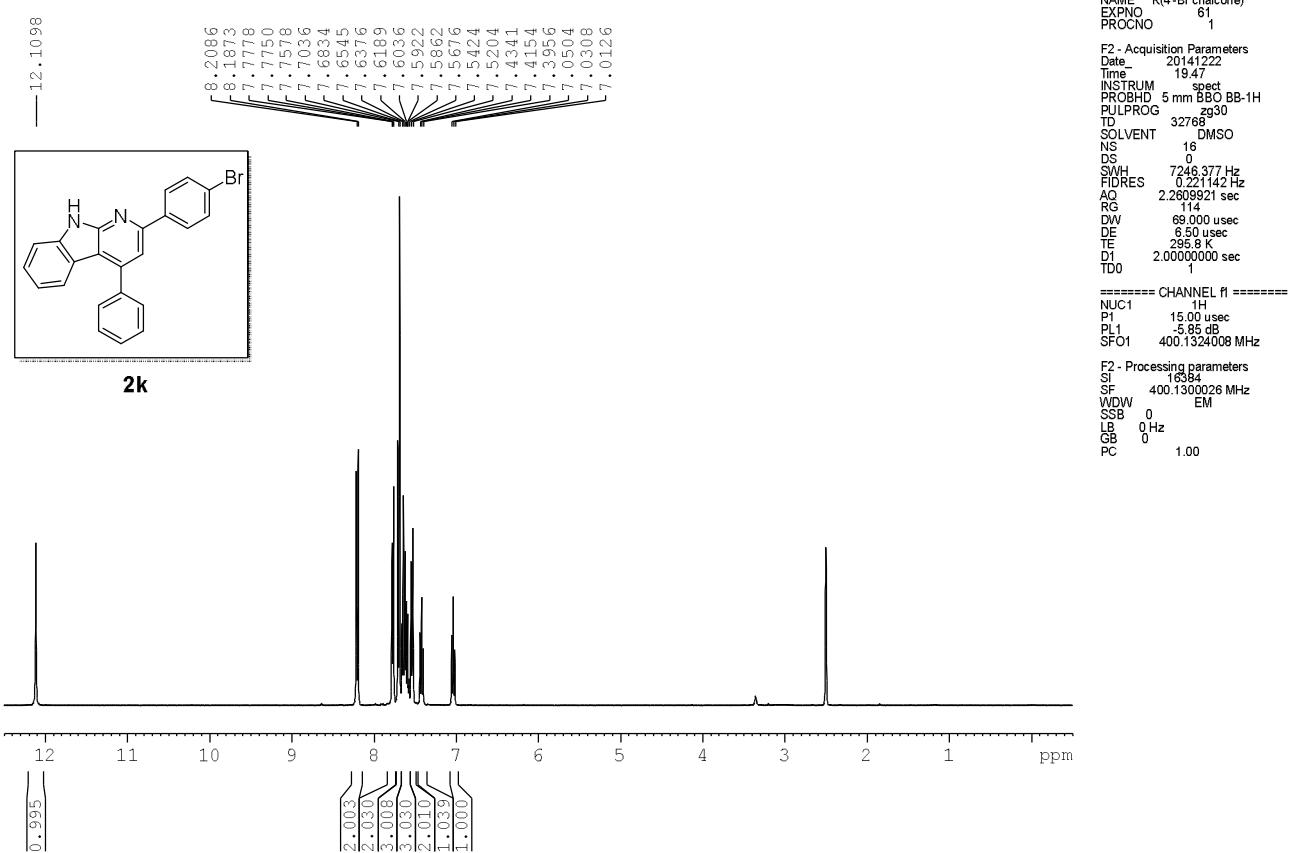
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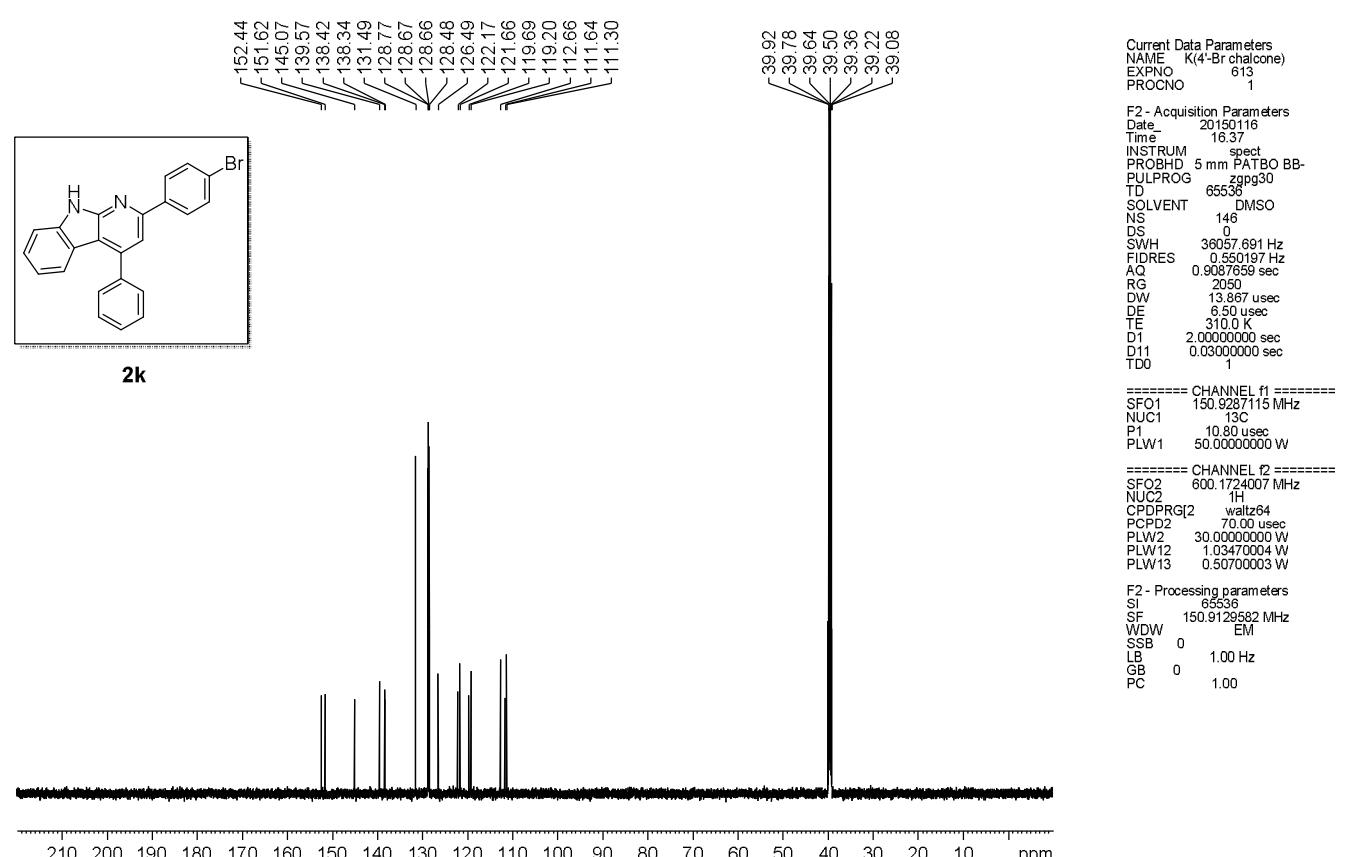
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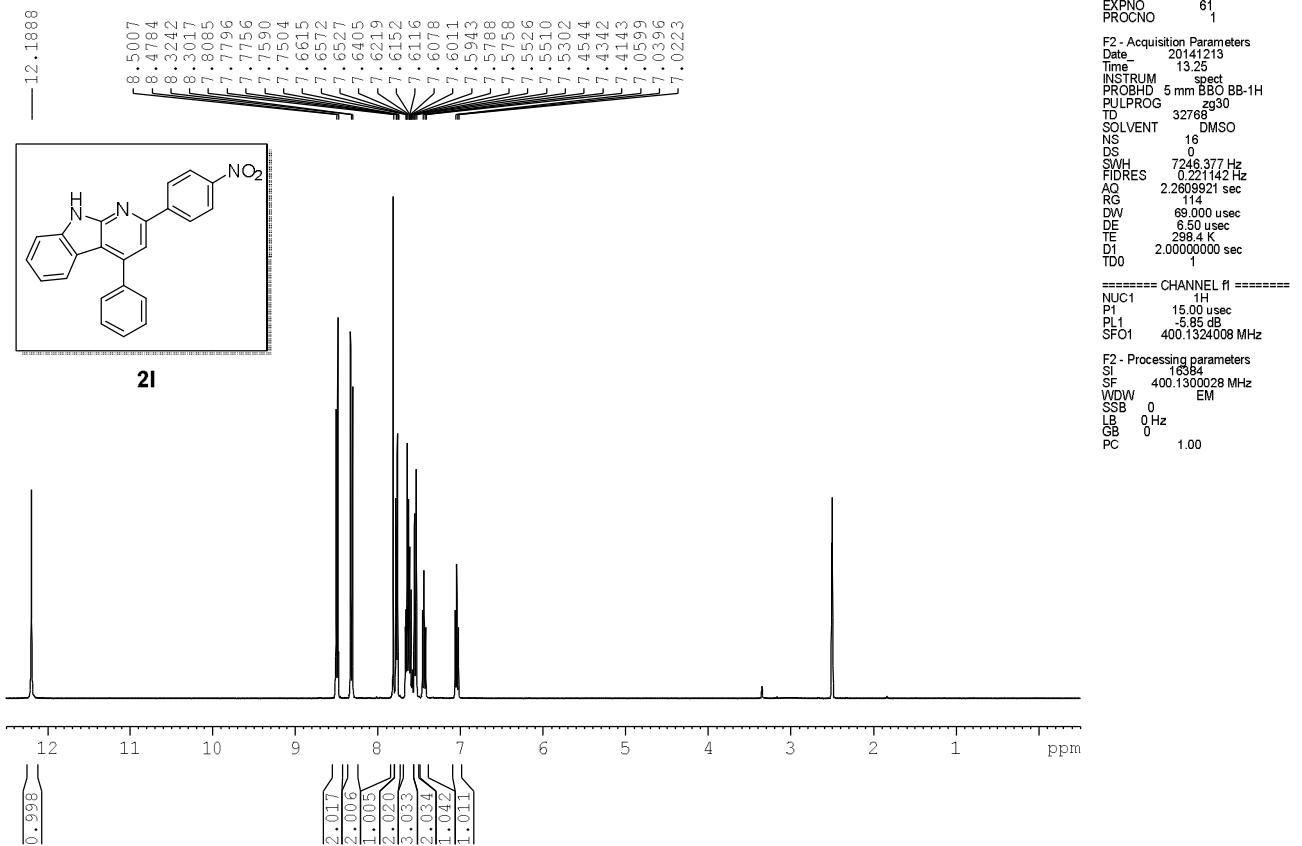
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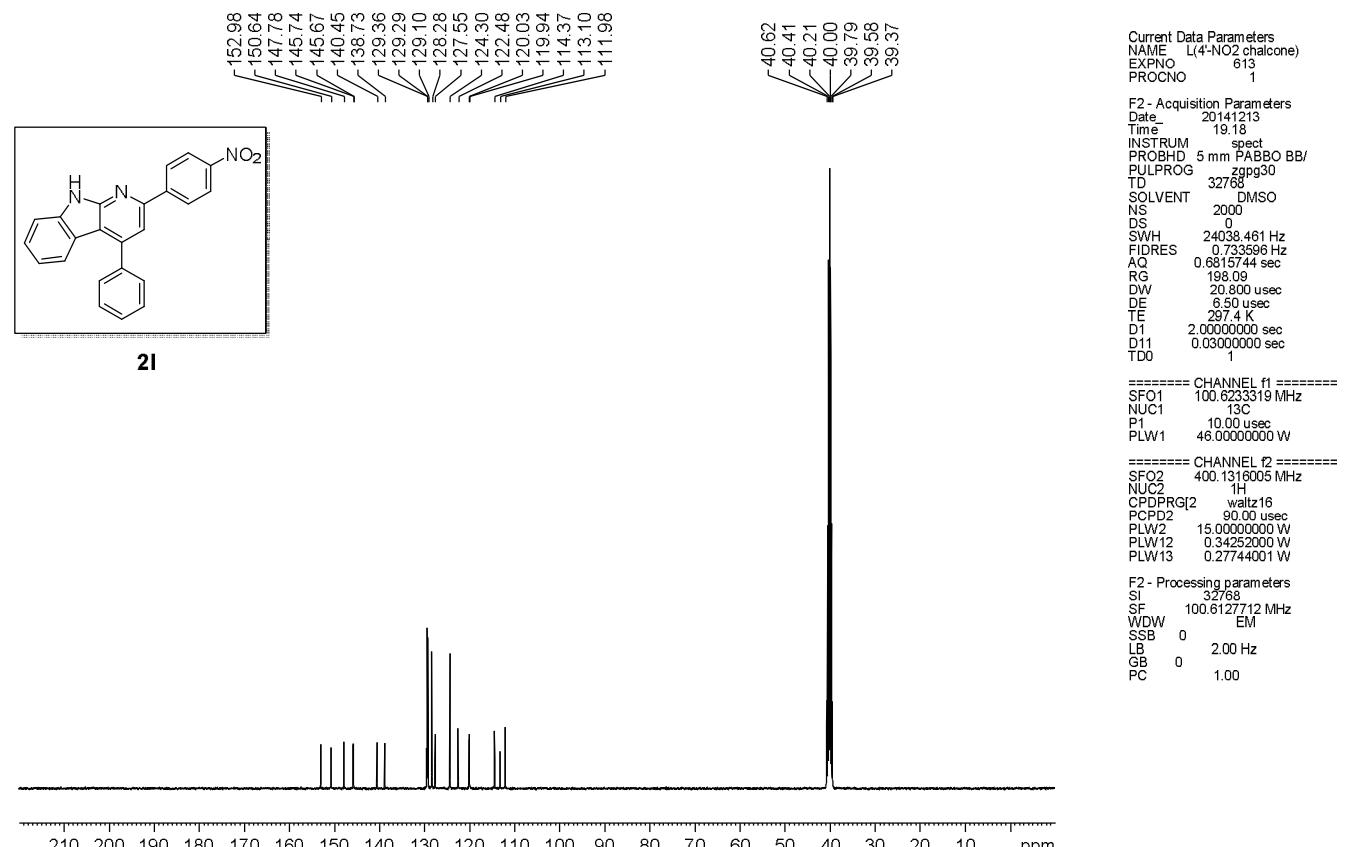
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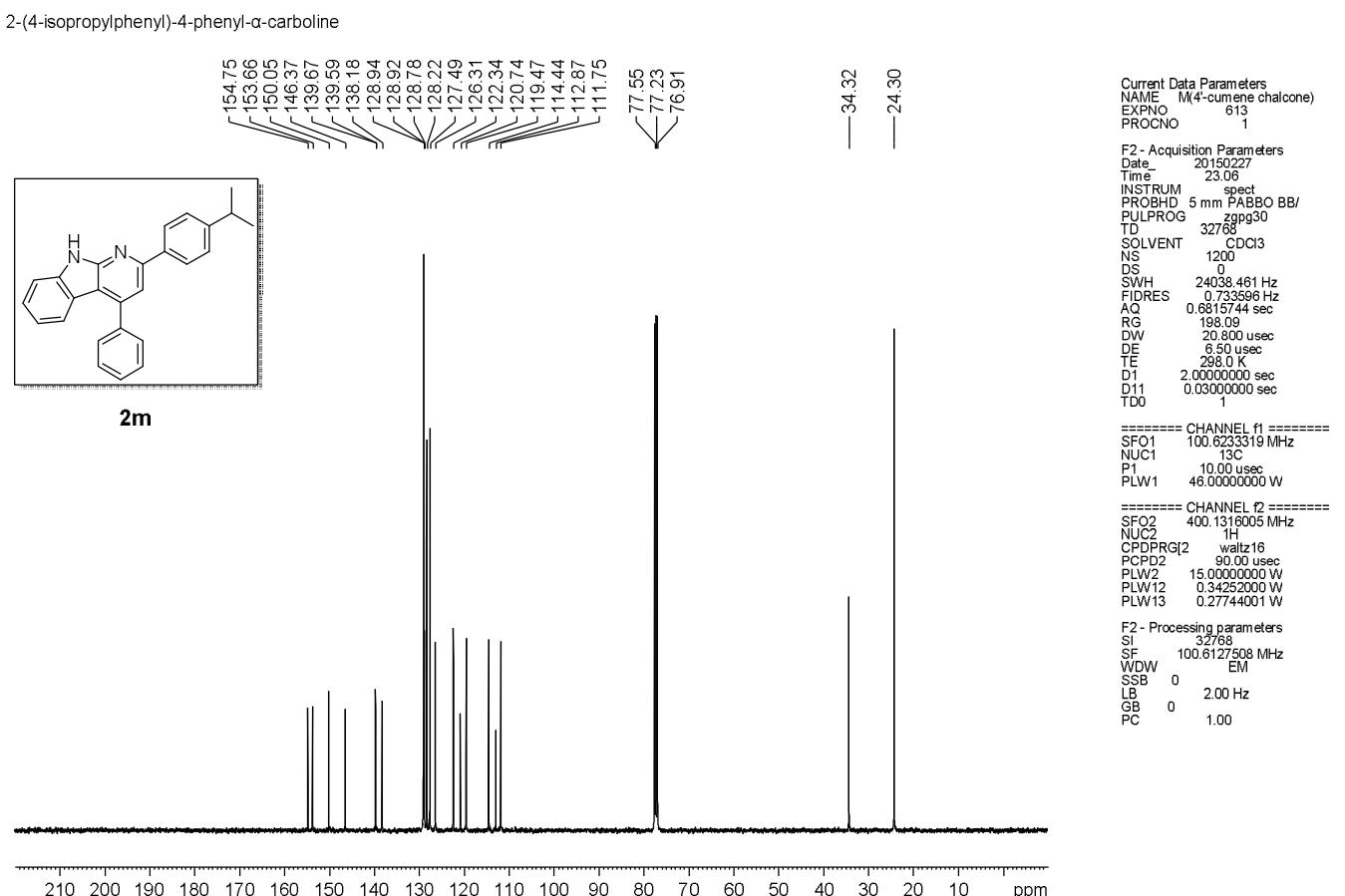
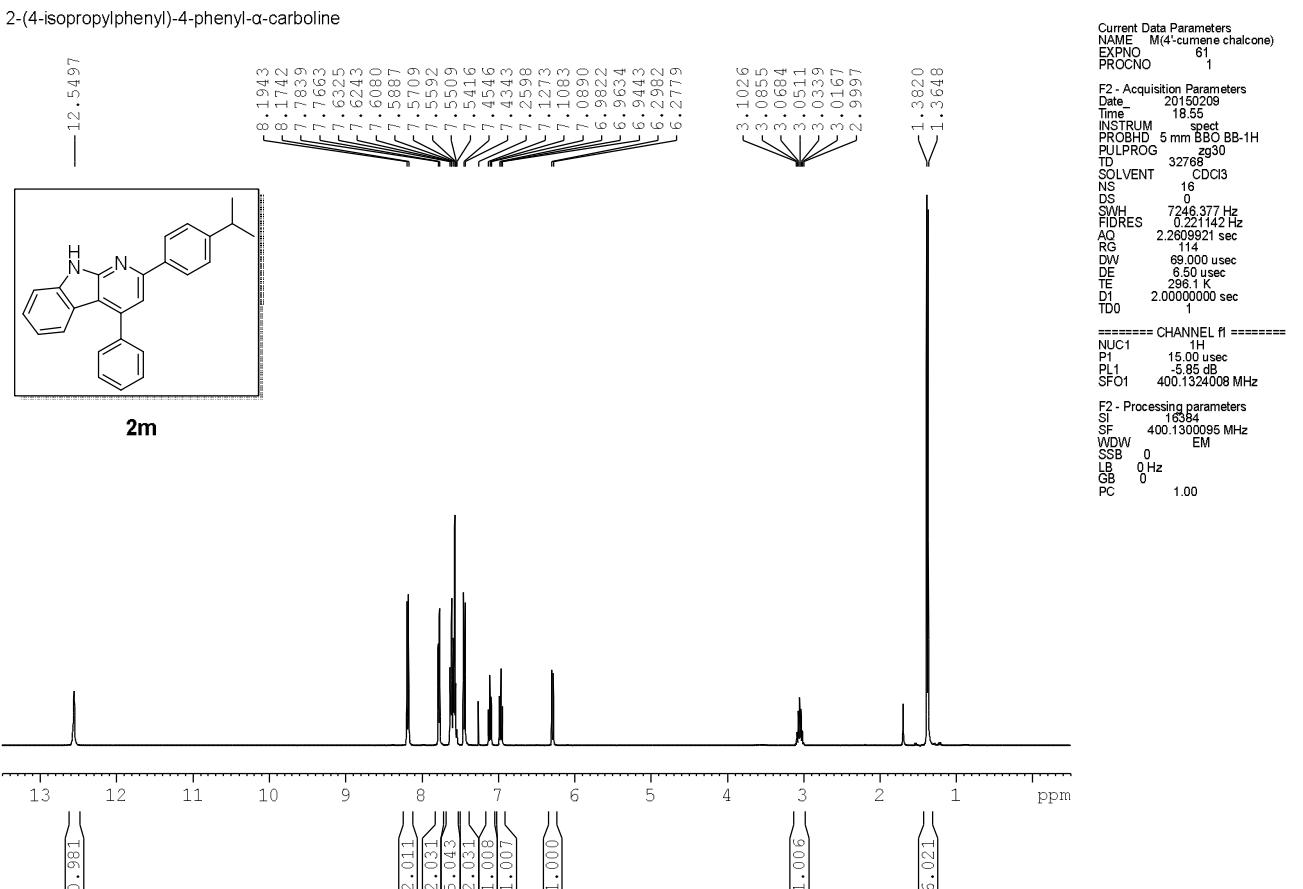


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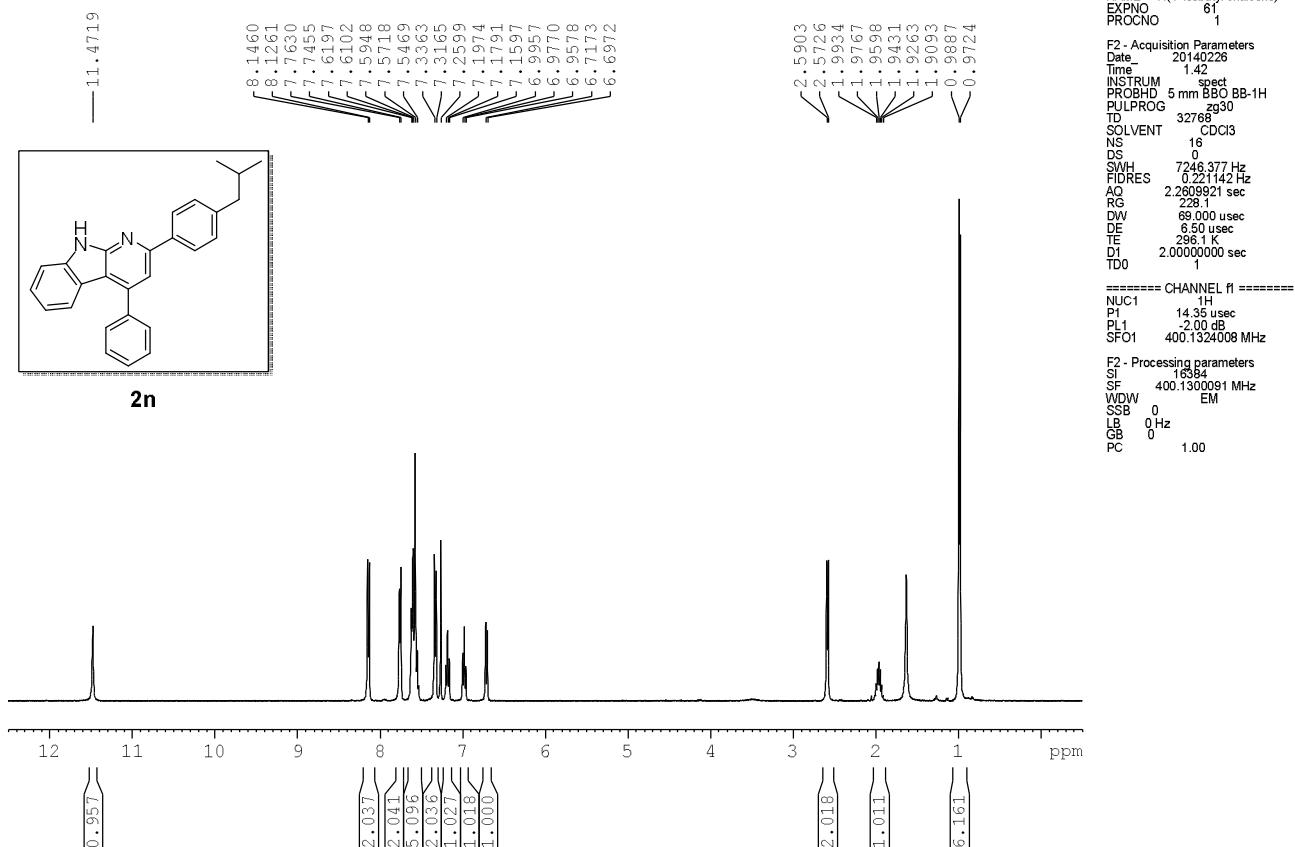


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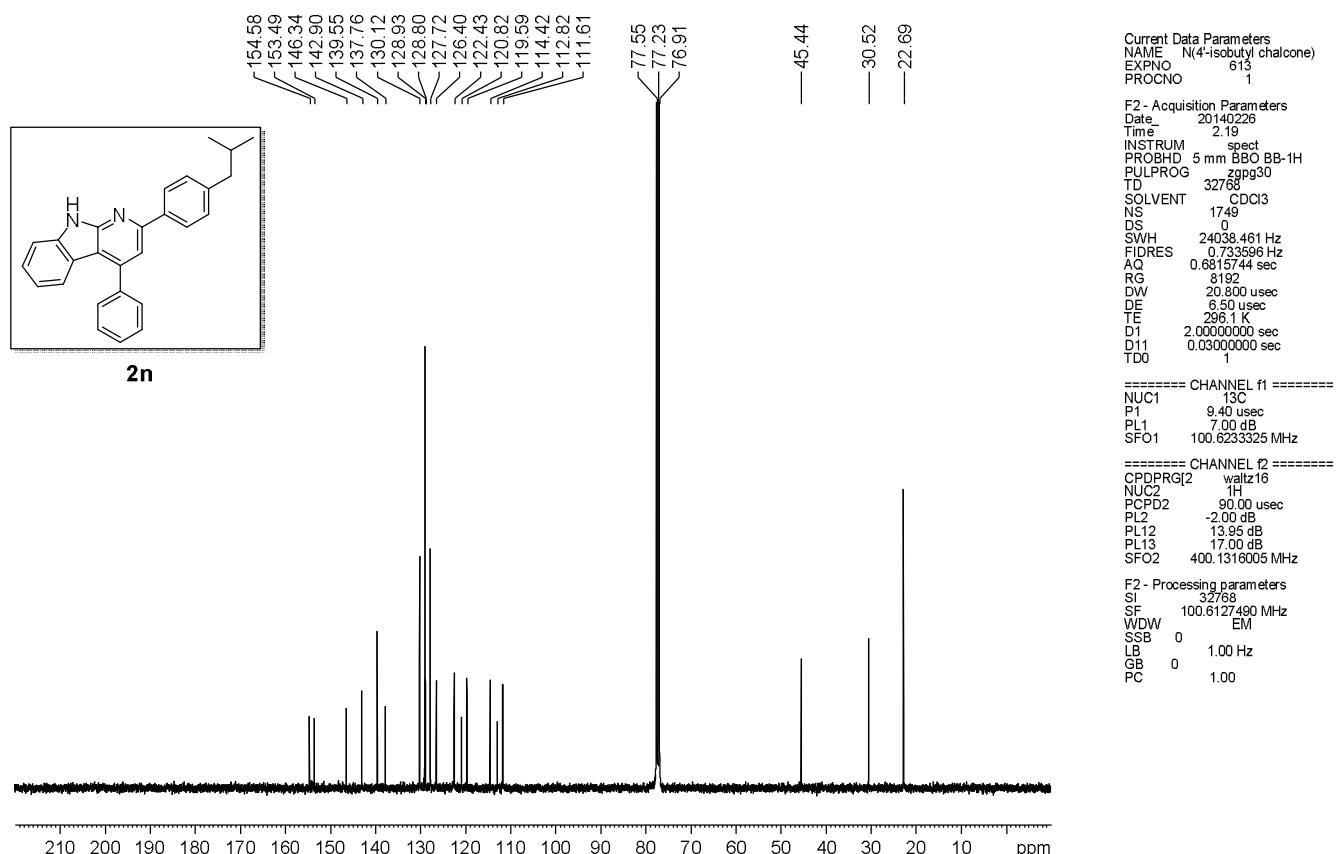




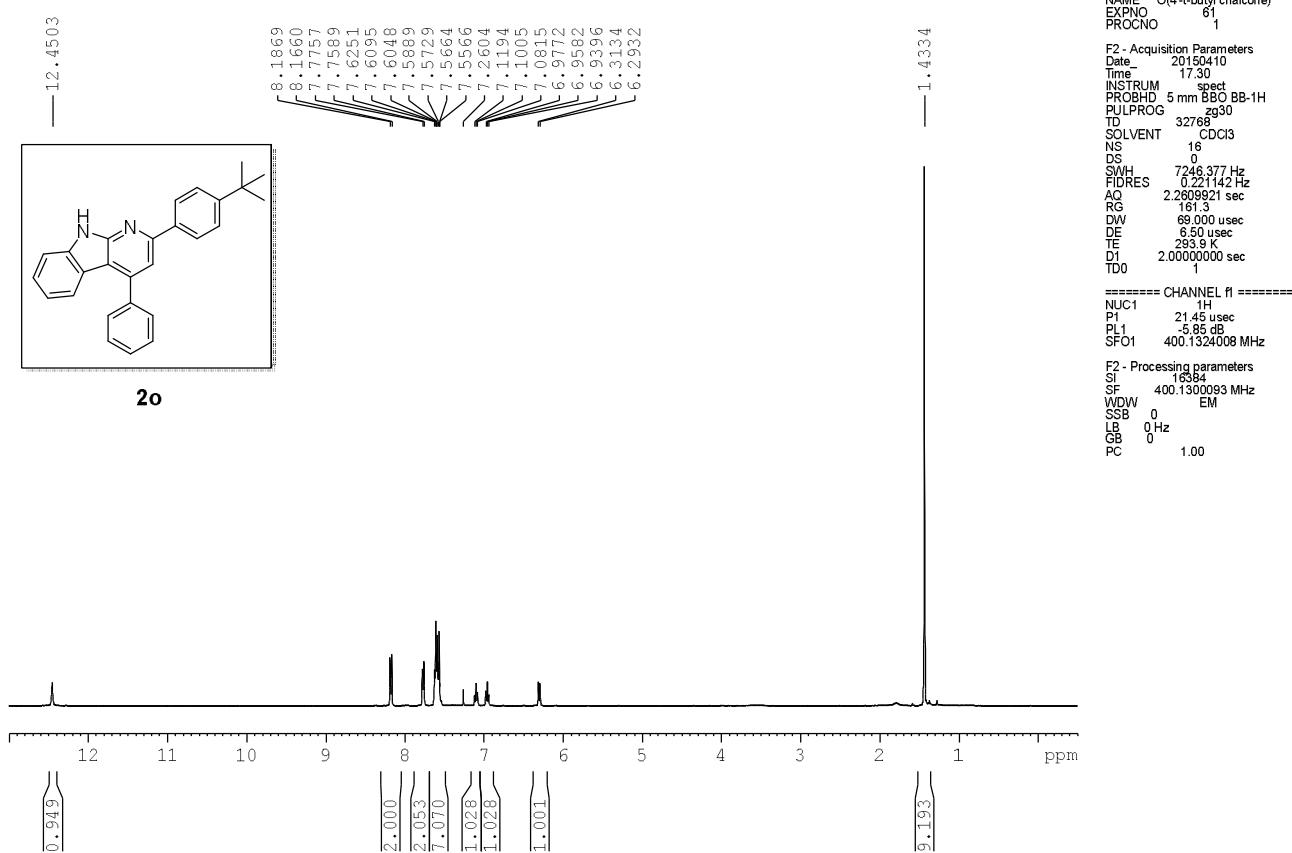
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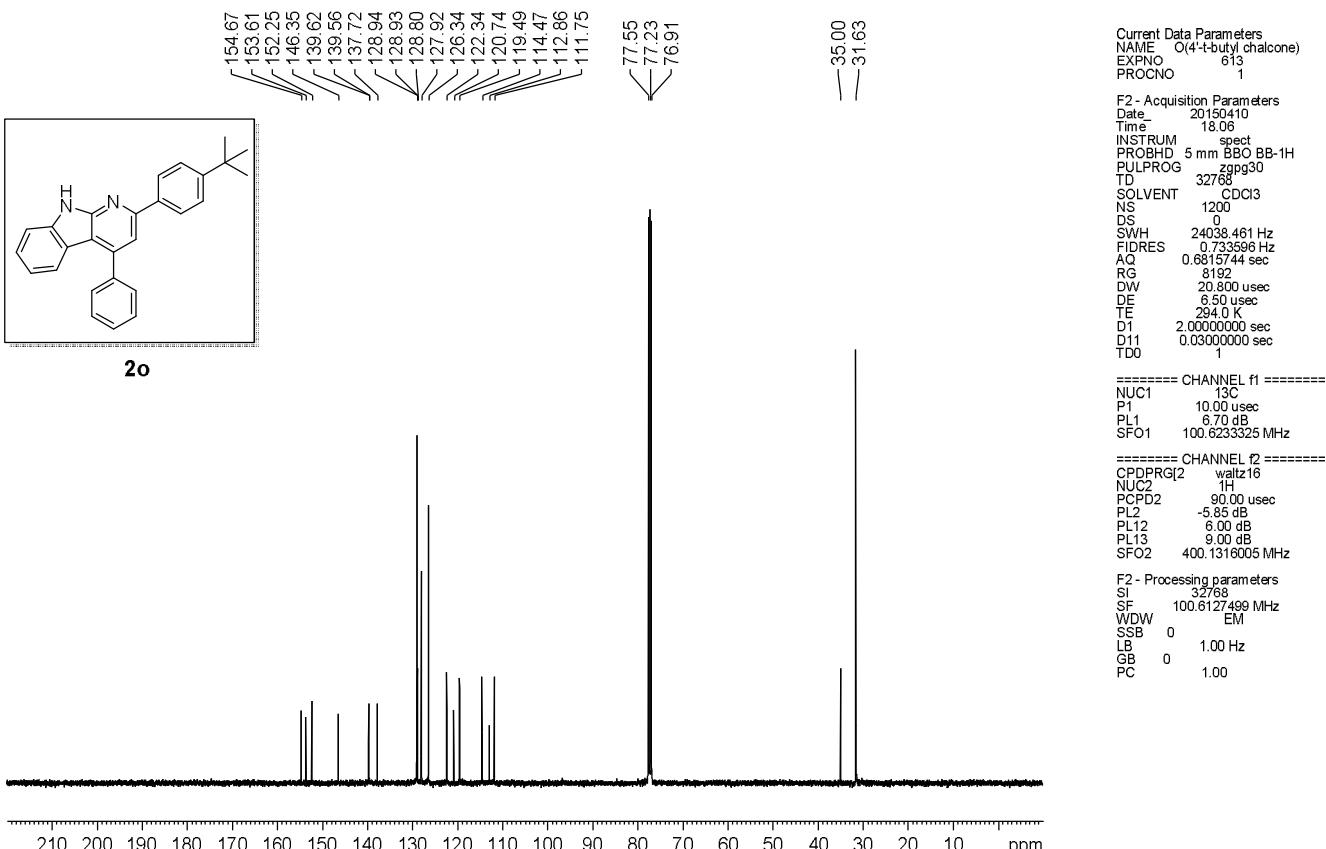
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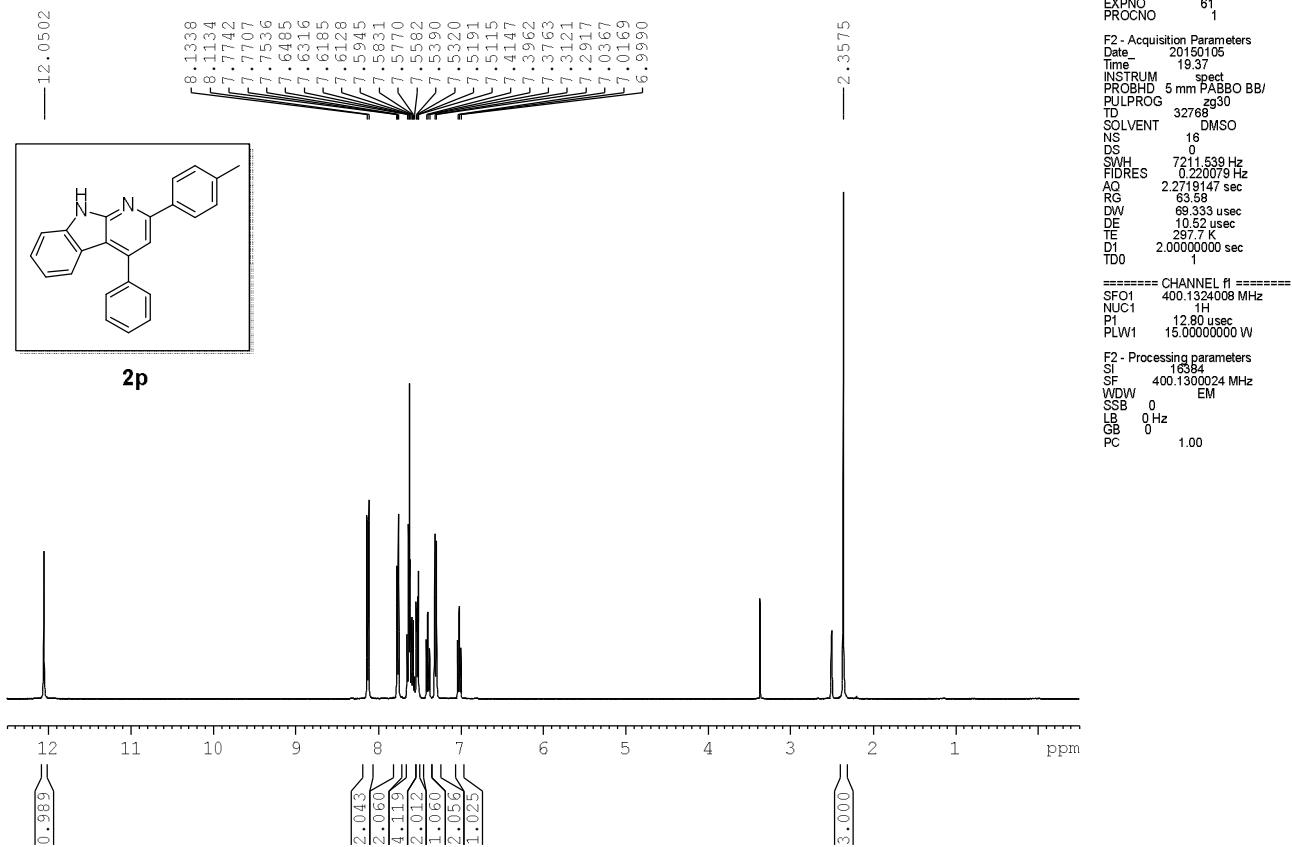
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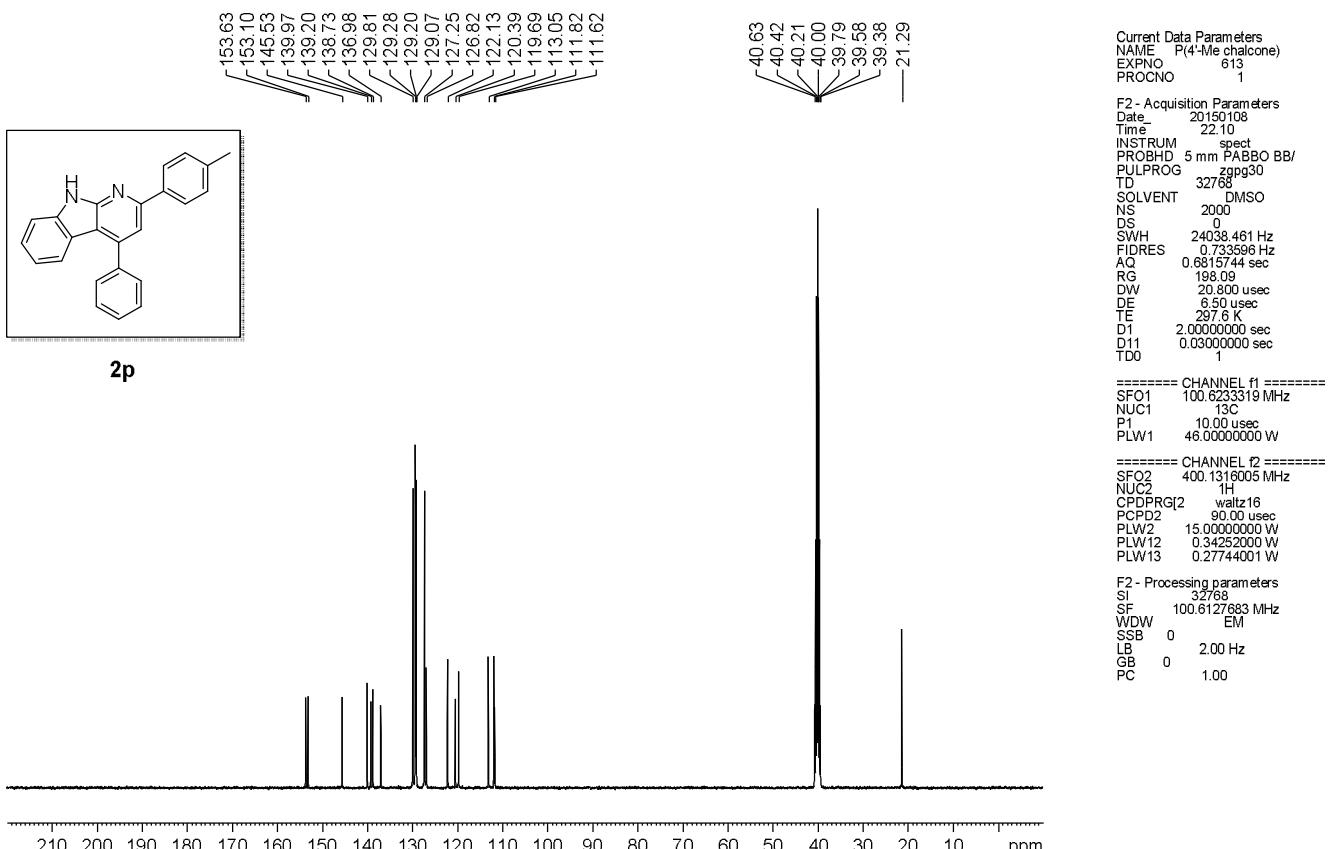
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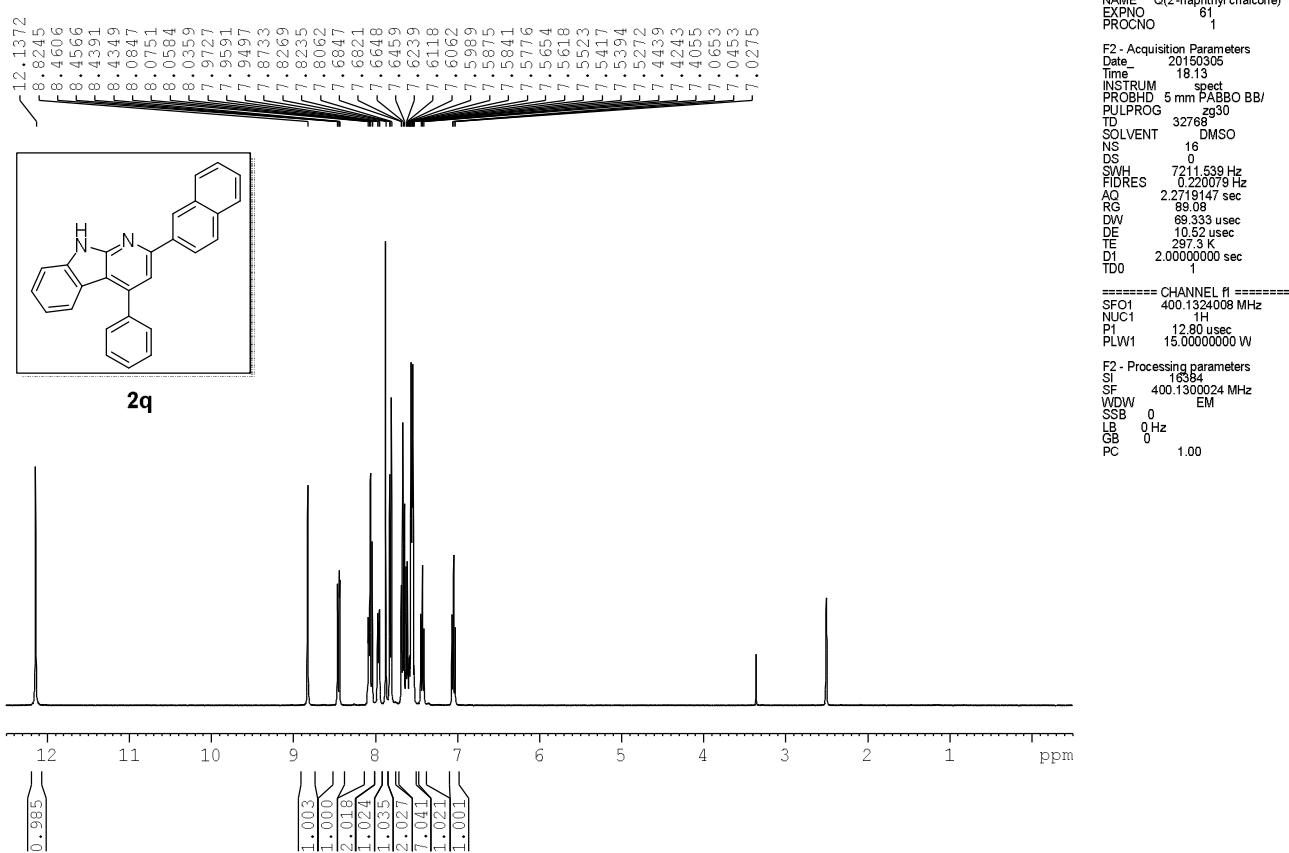
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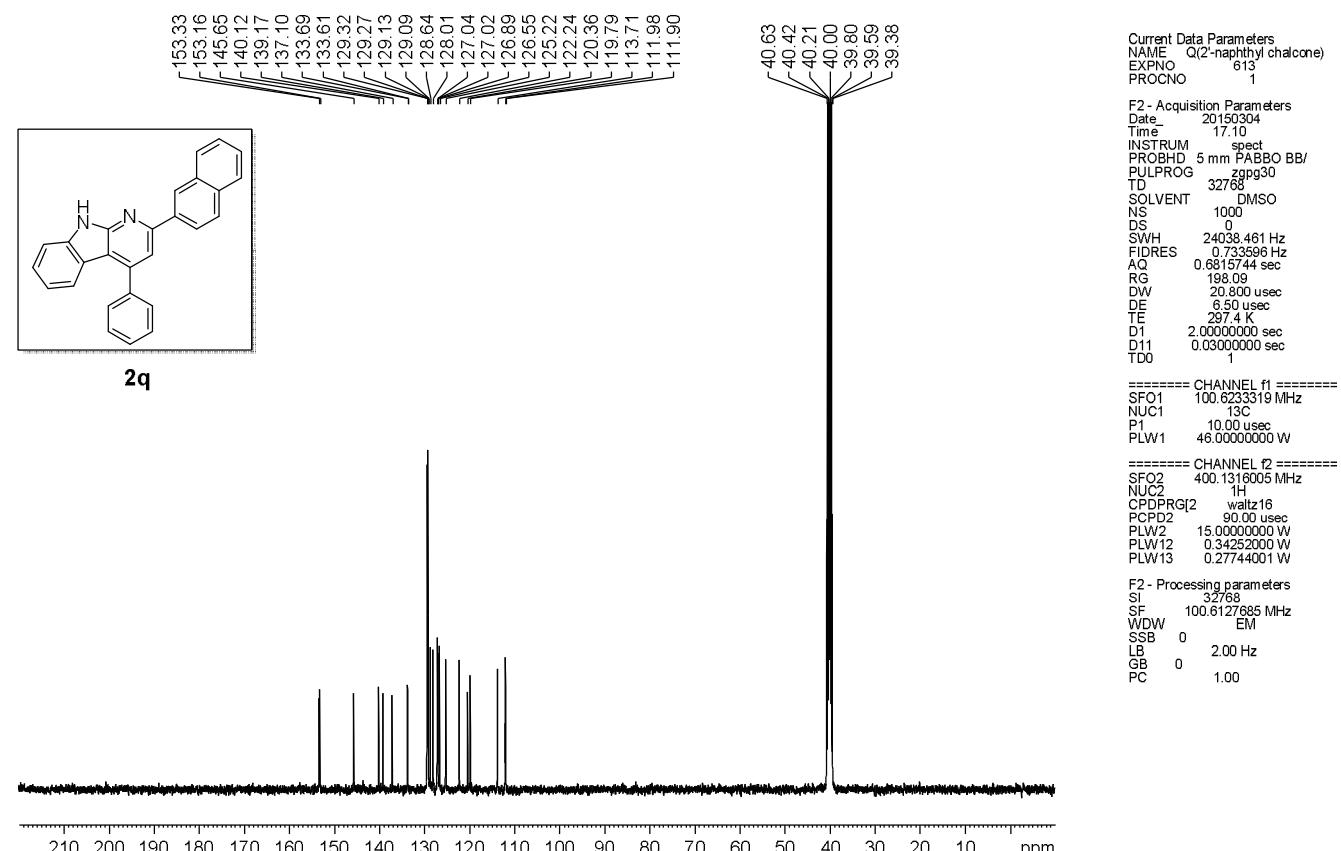
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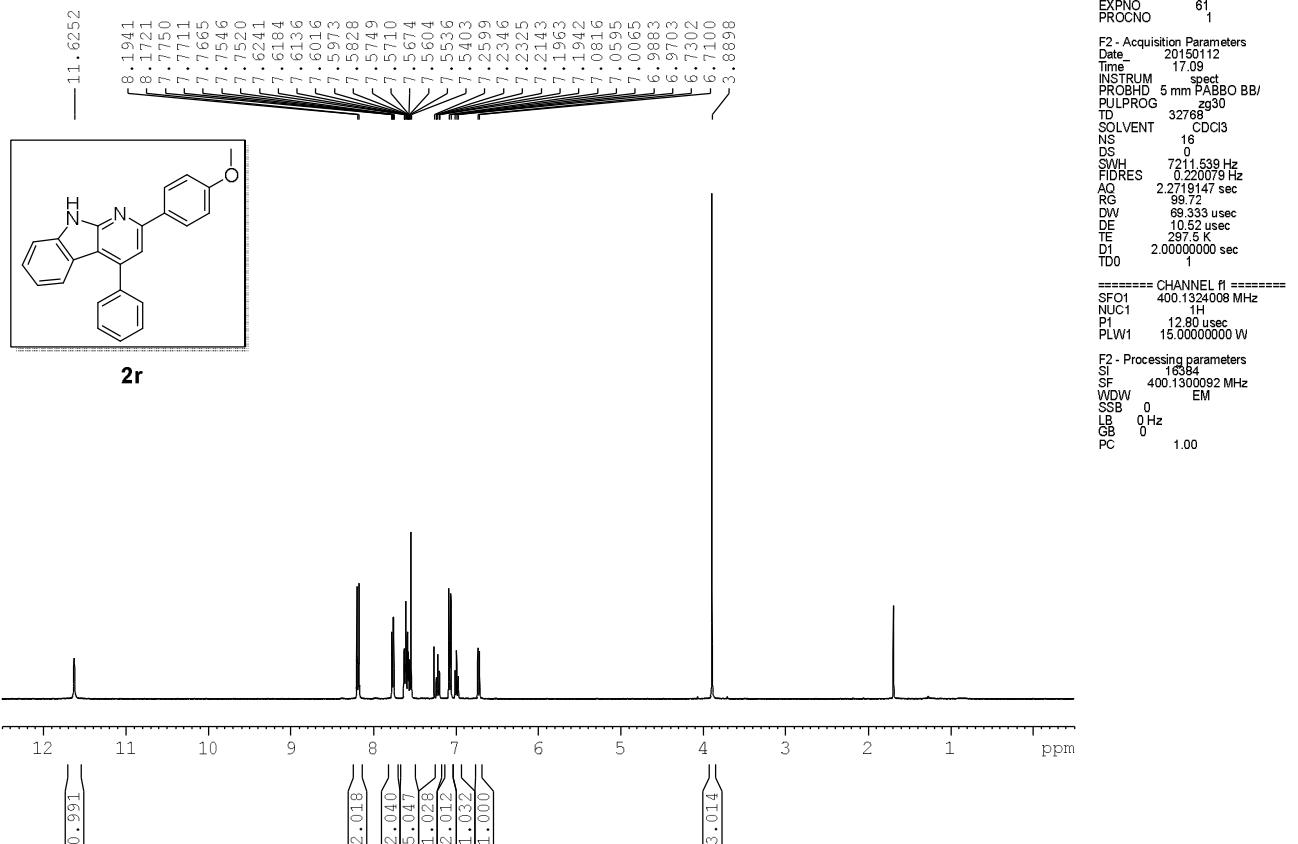
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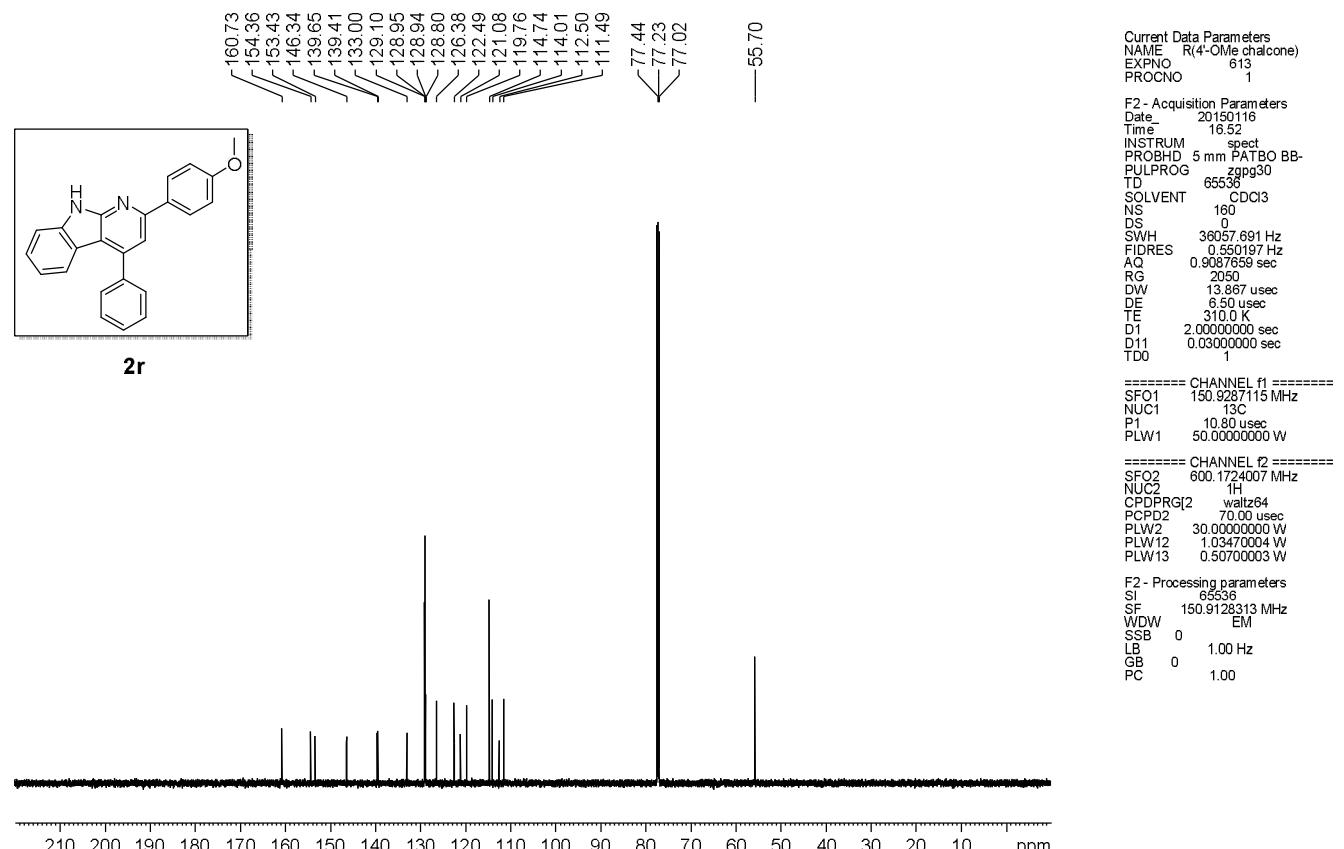
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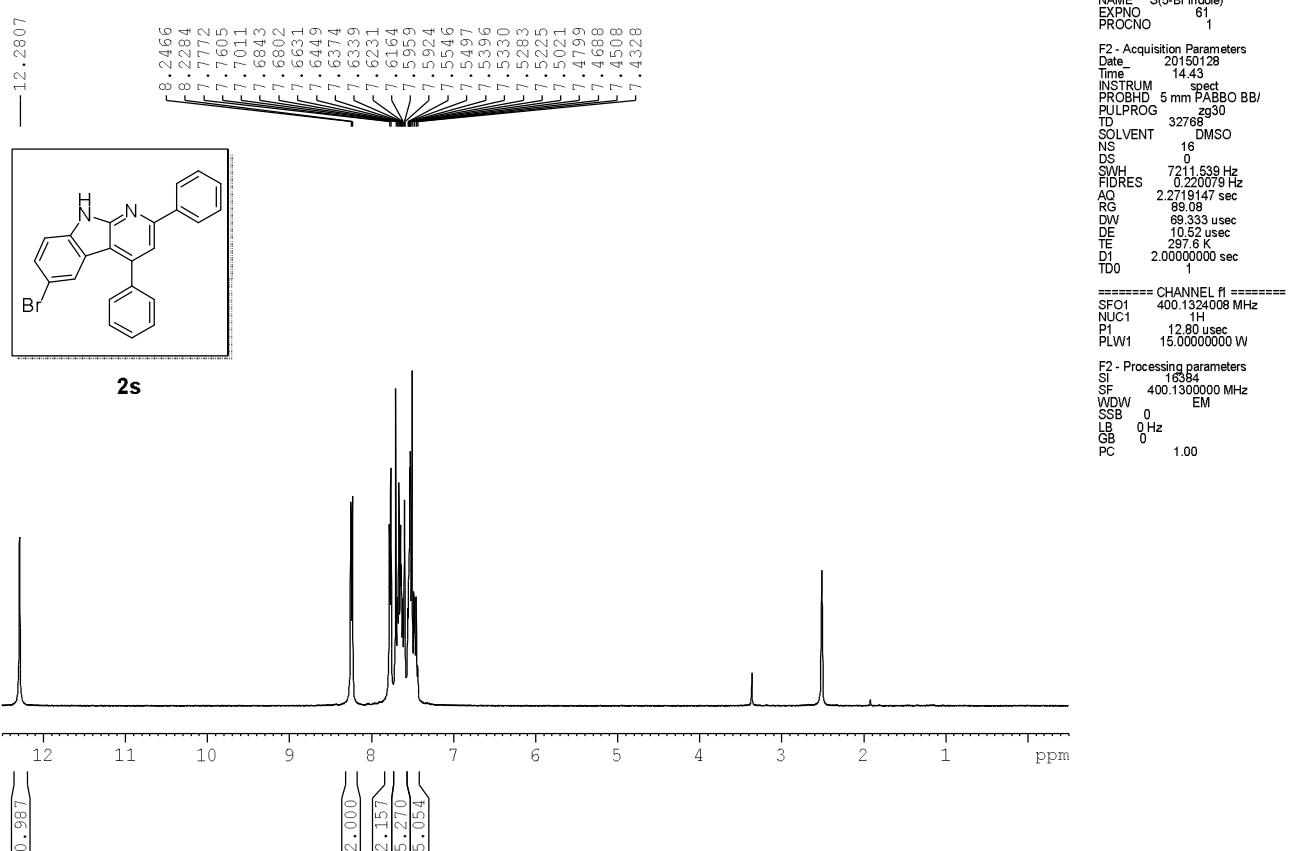
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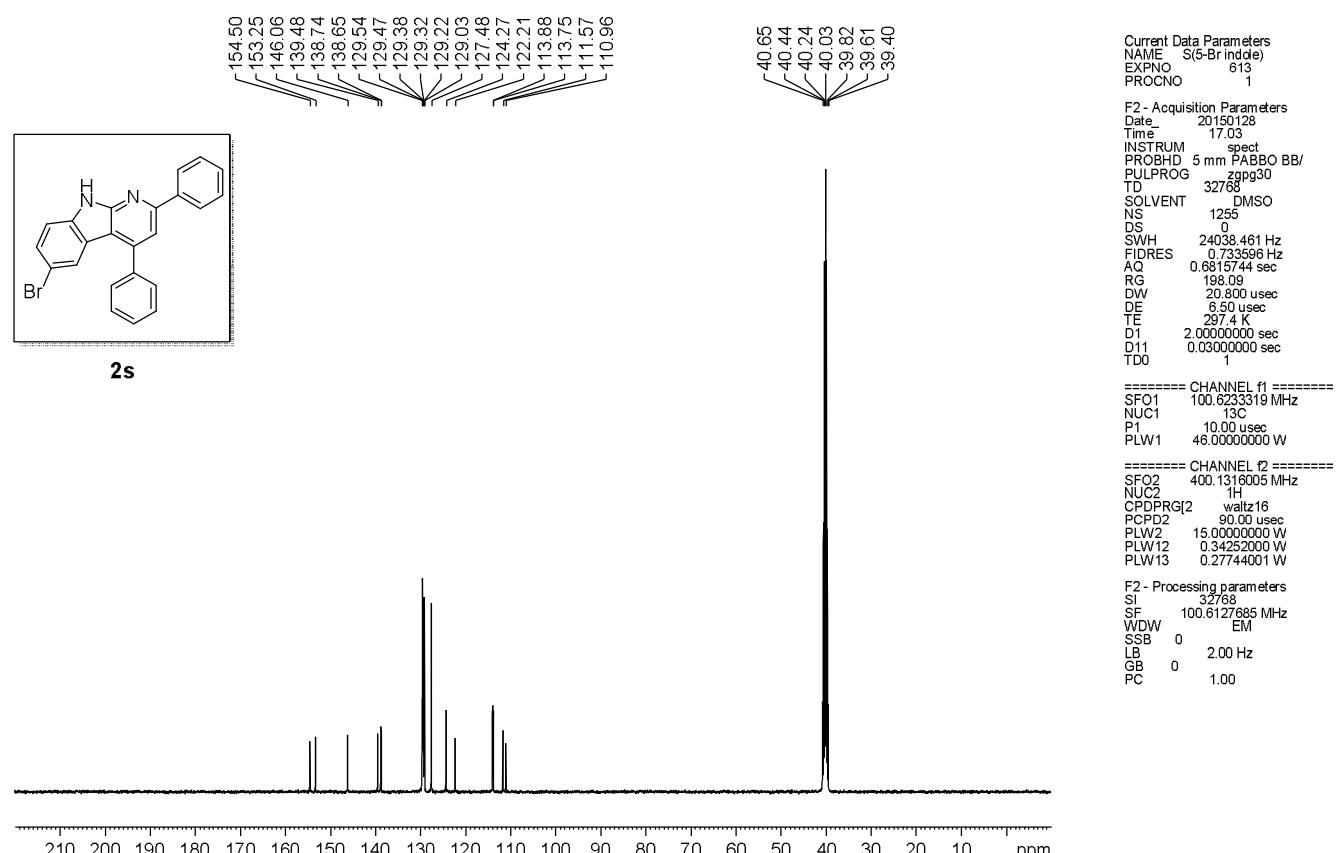
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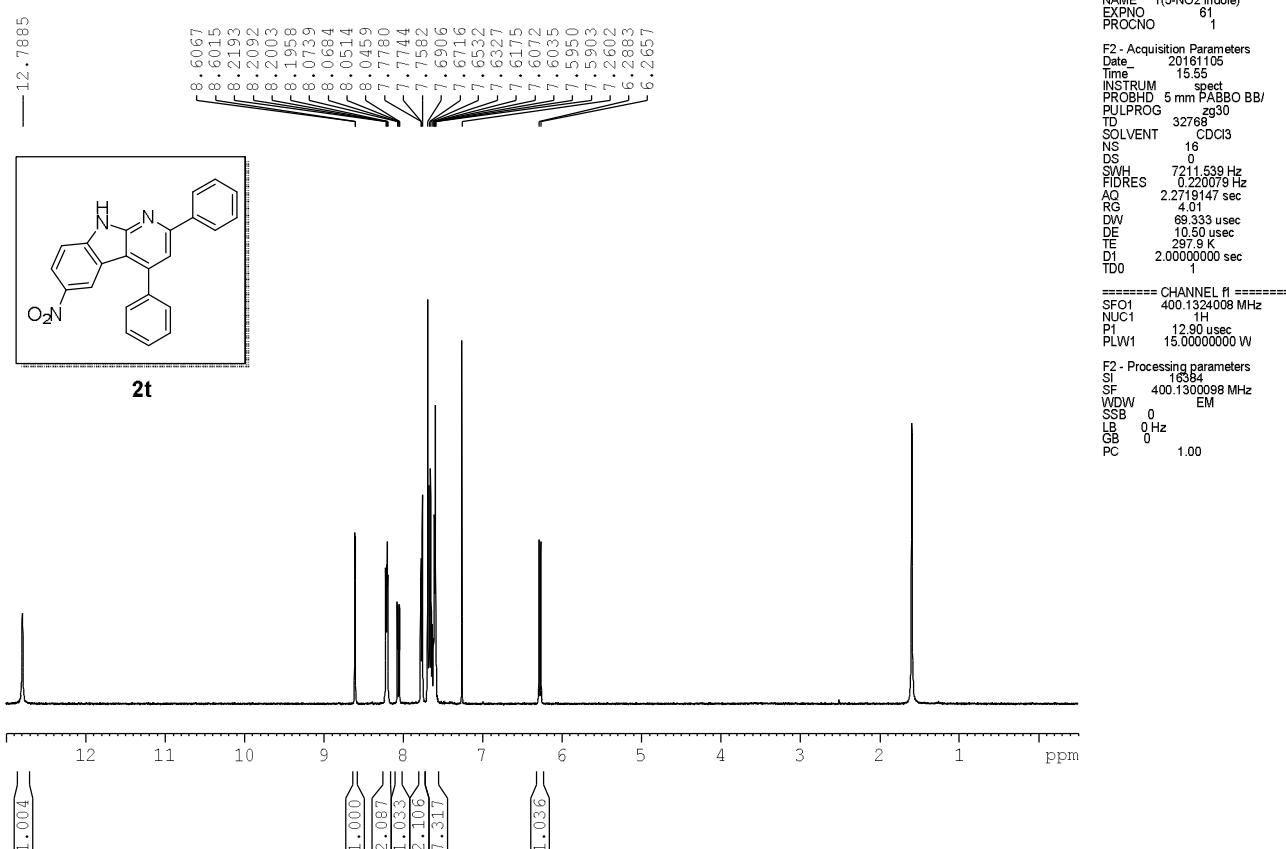
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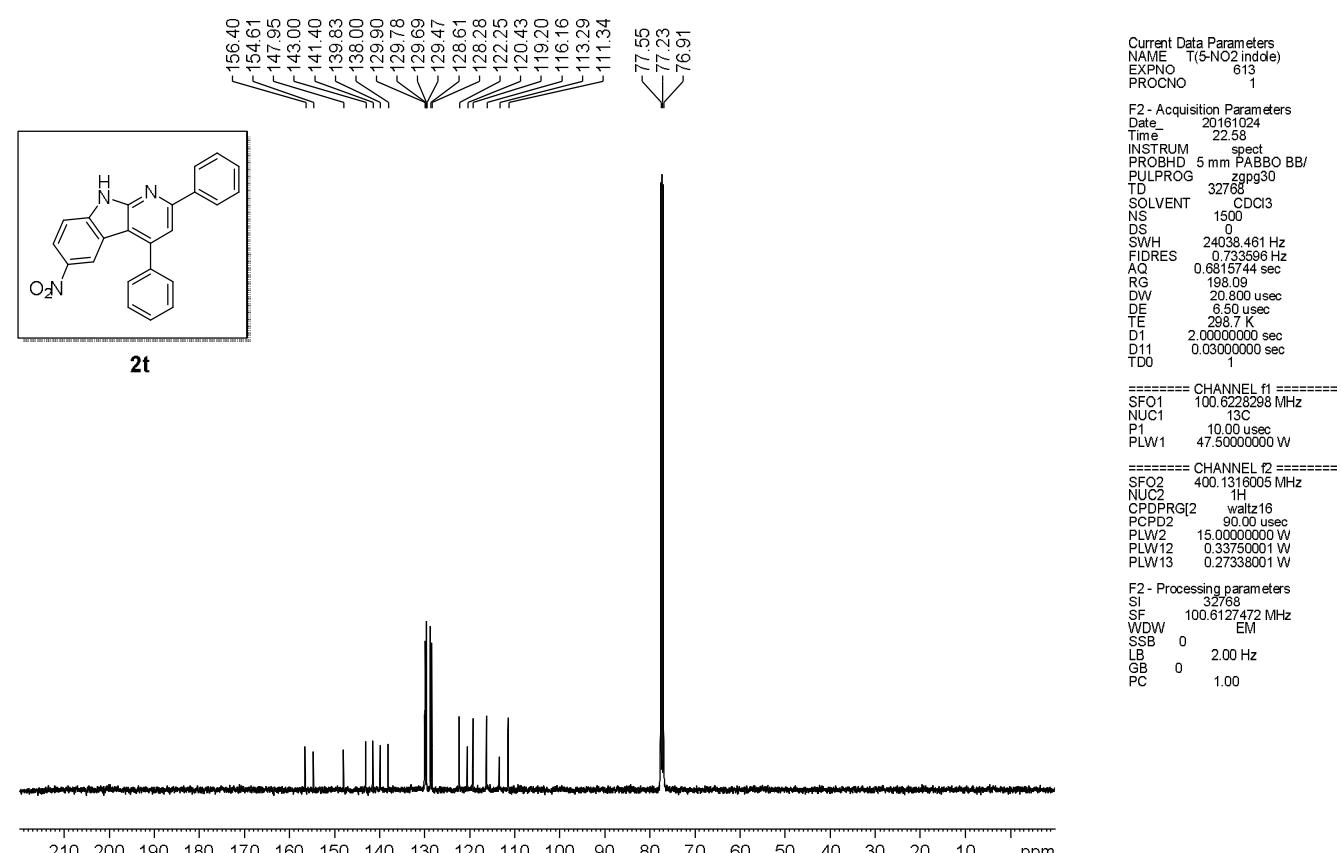
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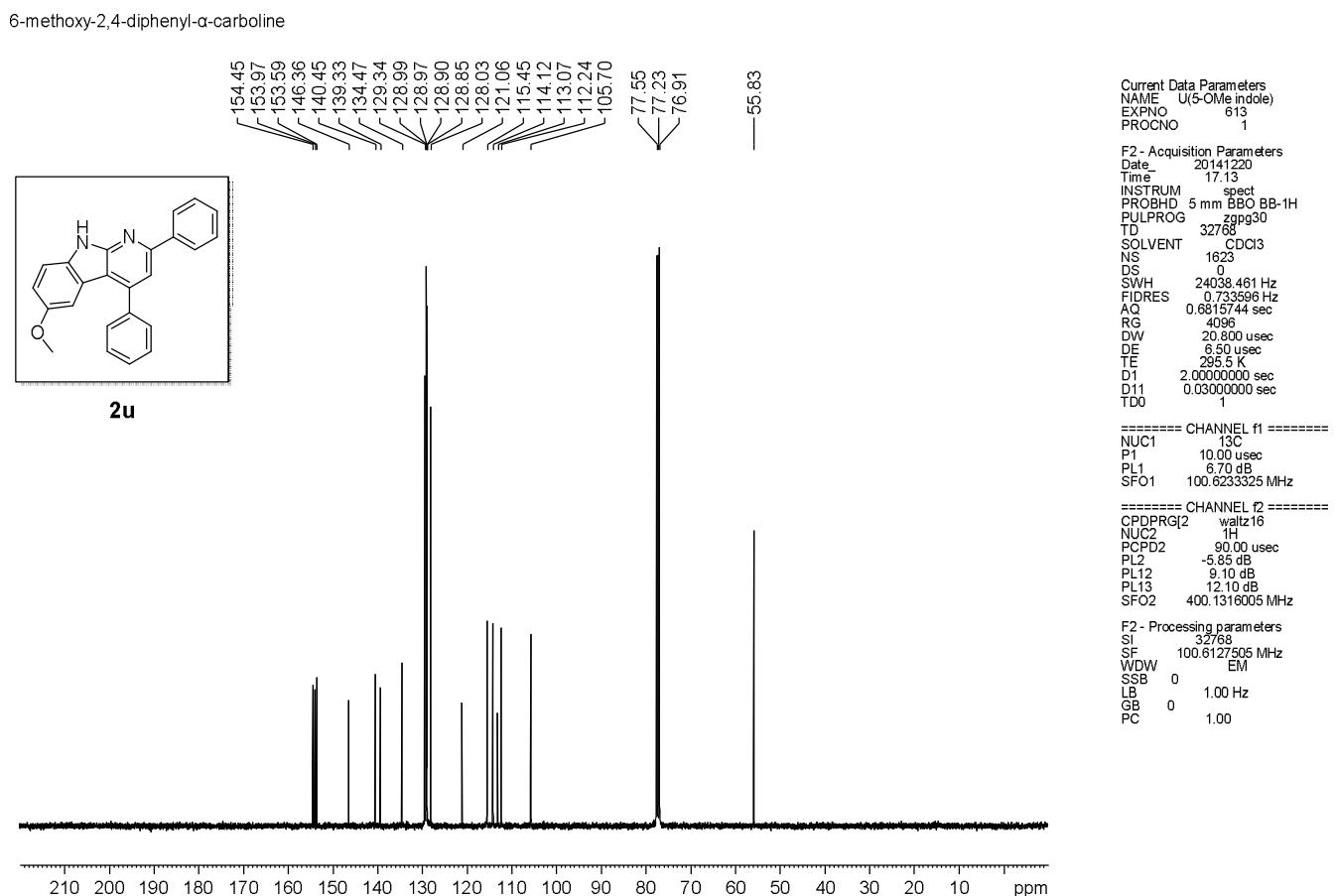
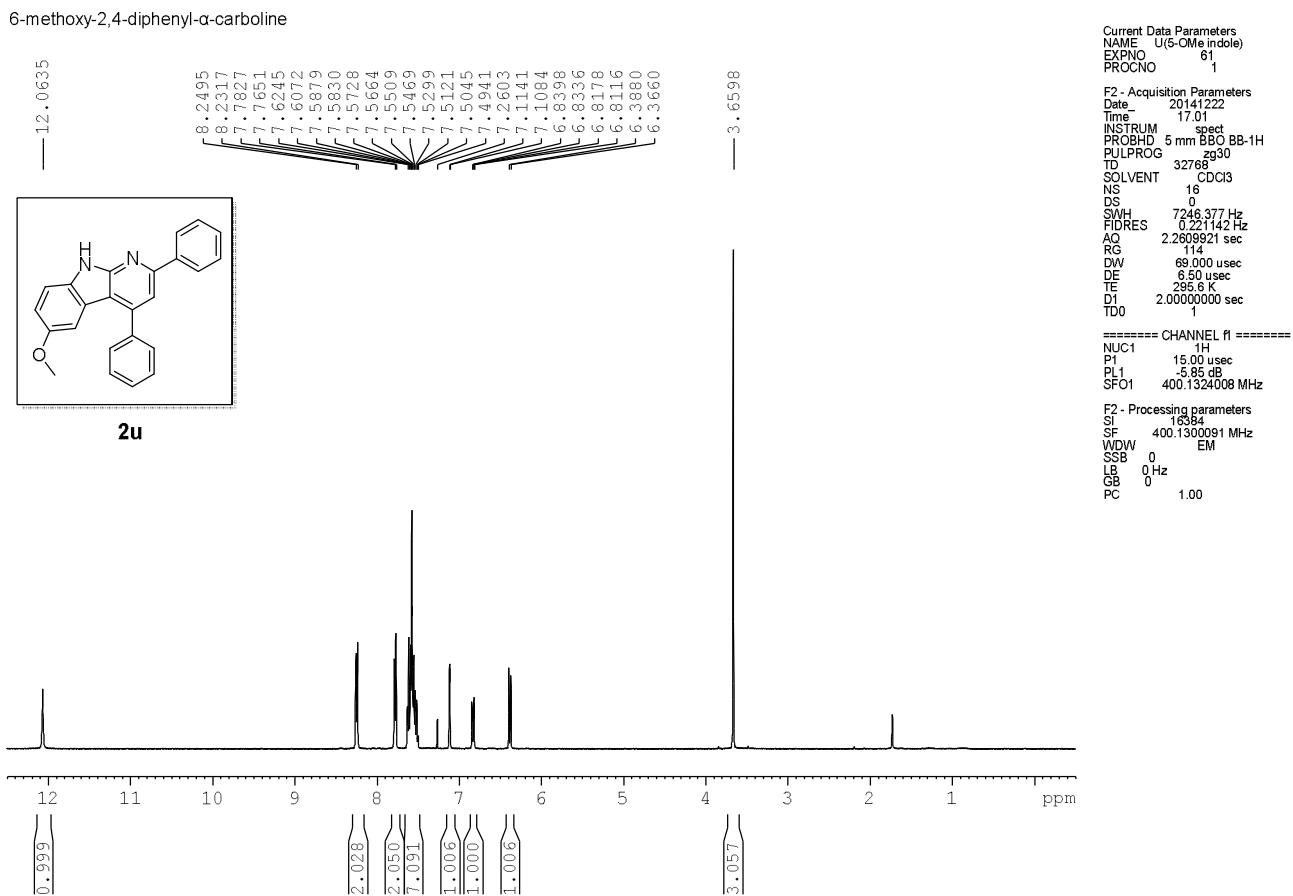


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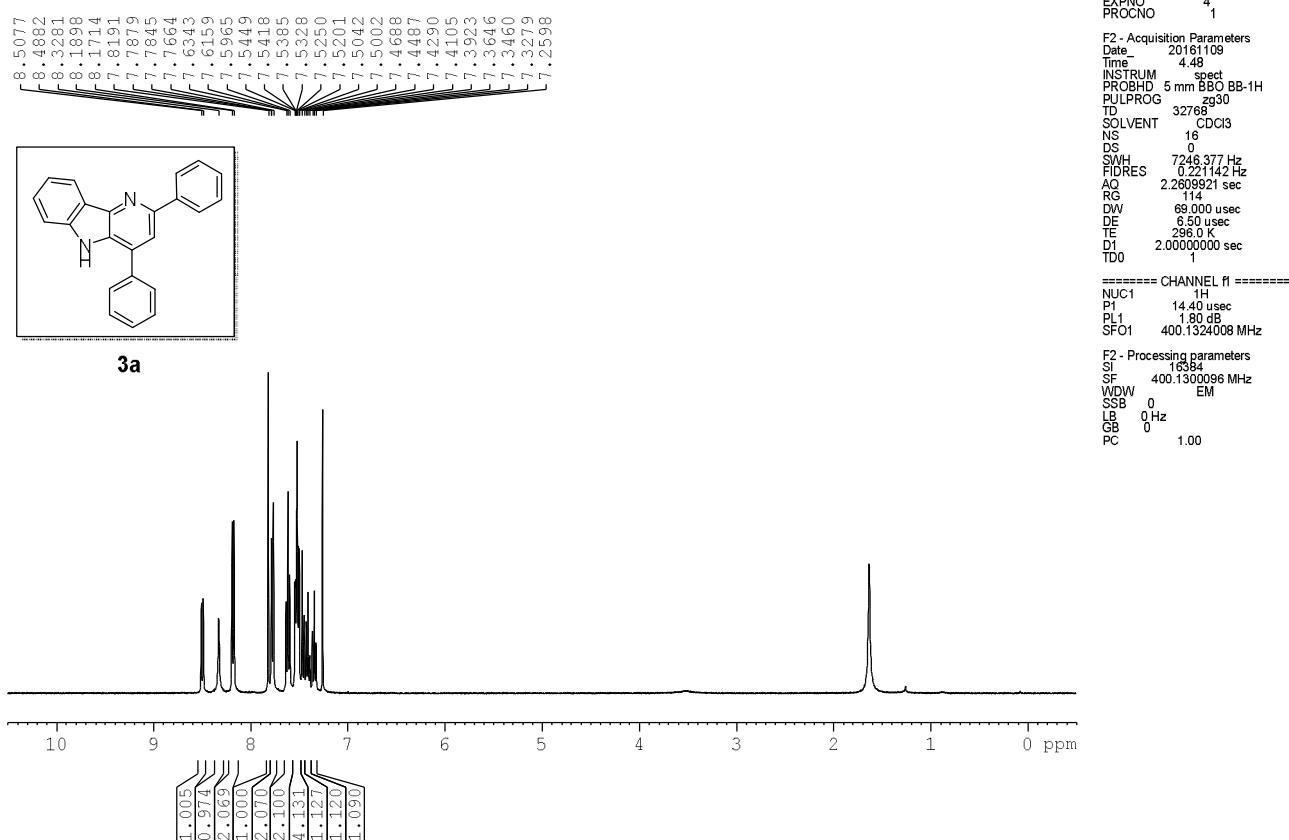


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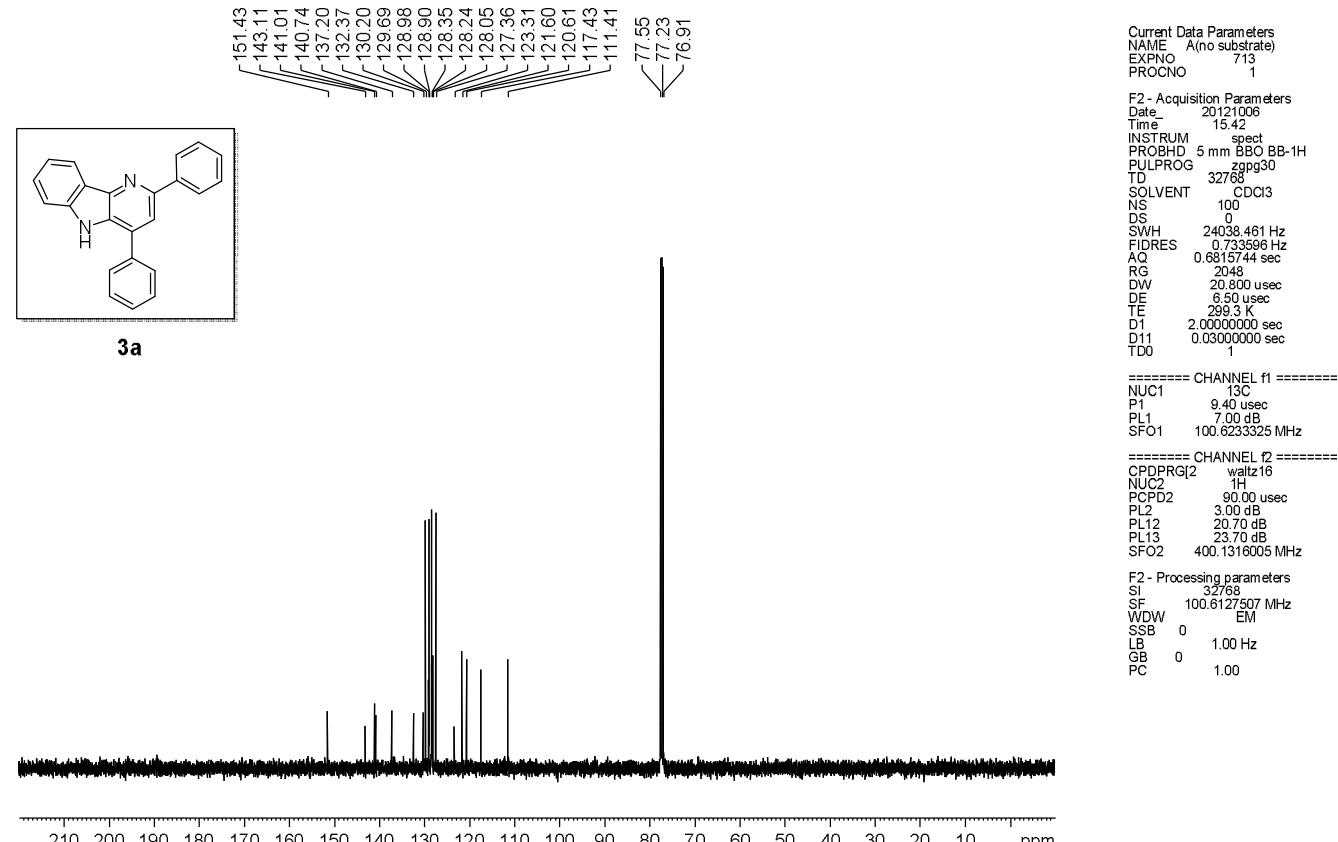




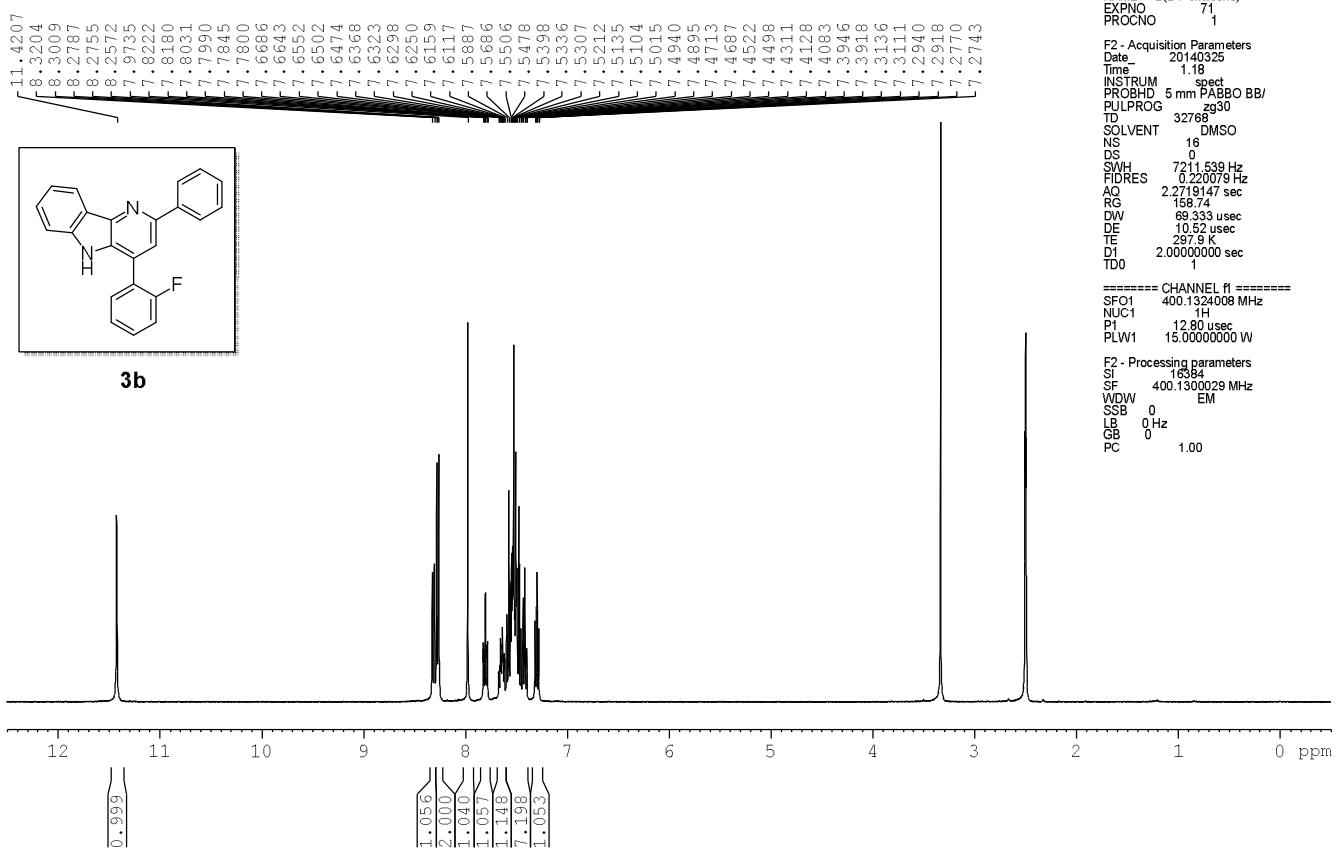
2,4-diphenyl- δ -carboline



2,4-diphenyl- δ -carboline



4-(2-fluorophenyl)-2-phenyl-δ-carboline



Current Data Parameters
NAME B(2-F chalcone)
EXPNO 71
PROCNO 1

F2 - Acquisition Parameters

Date 20140325

Time 1.18

INSTRUM spect

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PULPROG zg30

TD 32768

SOLVENT DMSO

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RG 168.74

DW 69.333 usec

DE 10.93 usec

TE 297.9 K

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TDO 1

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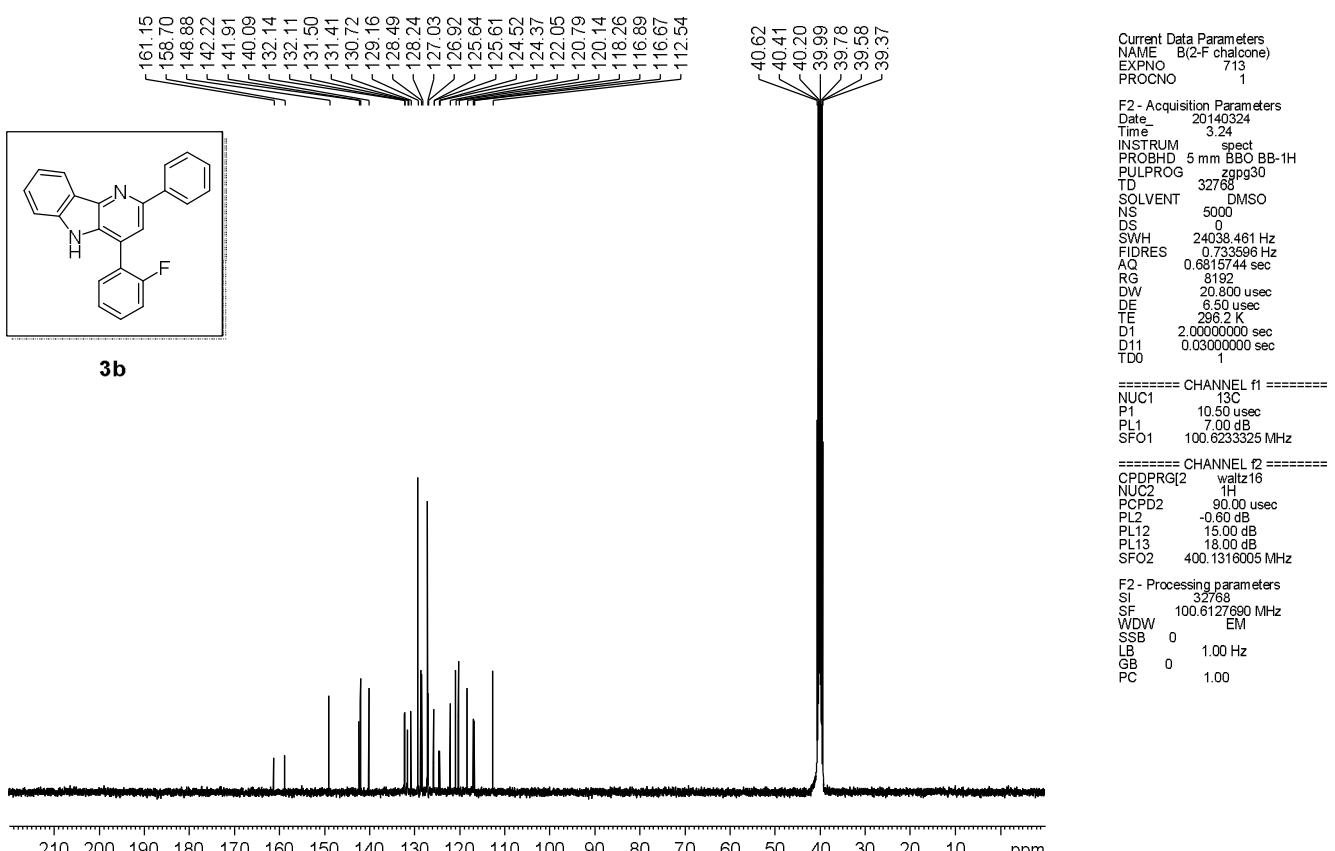
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4-(2-fluorophenyl)-2-phenyl-δ-carboline



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PROCNO 1

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Date 20140324

Time 3.24

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PULPROG zg30

TD 32768

SOLVENT DMSO

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DE 6.50 usec

TE 298.2 K

D1 2.0000000 sec

D11 0.03000000 sec

TDO 1

===== CHANNEL f1 =====

NUC1 13C

P1 10.50 usec

PL1 7.00 dB

SFO1 100.6233325 MHz

===== CHANNEL f2 =====

COPPRG[2] waltz16

NUC2 1H

PCPD2 90.00 usec

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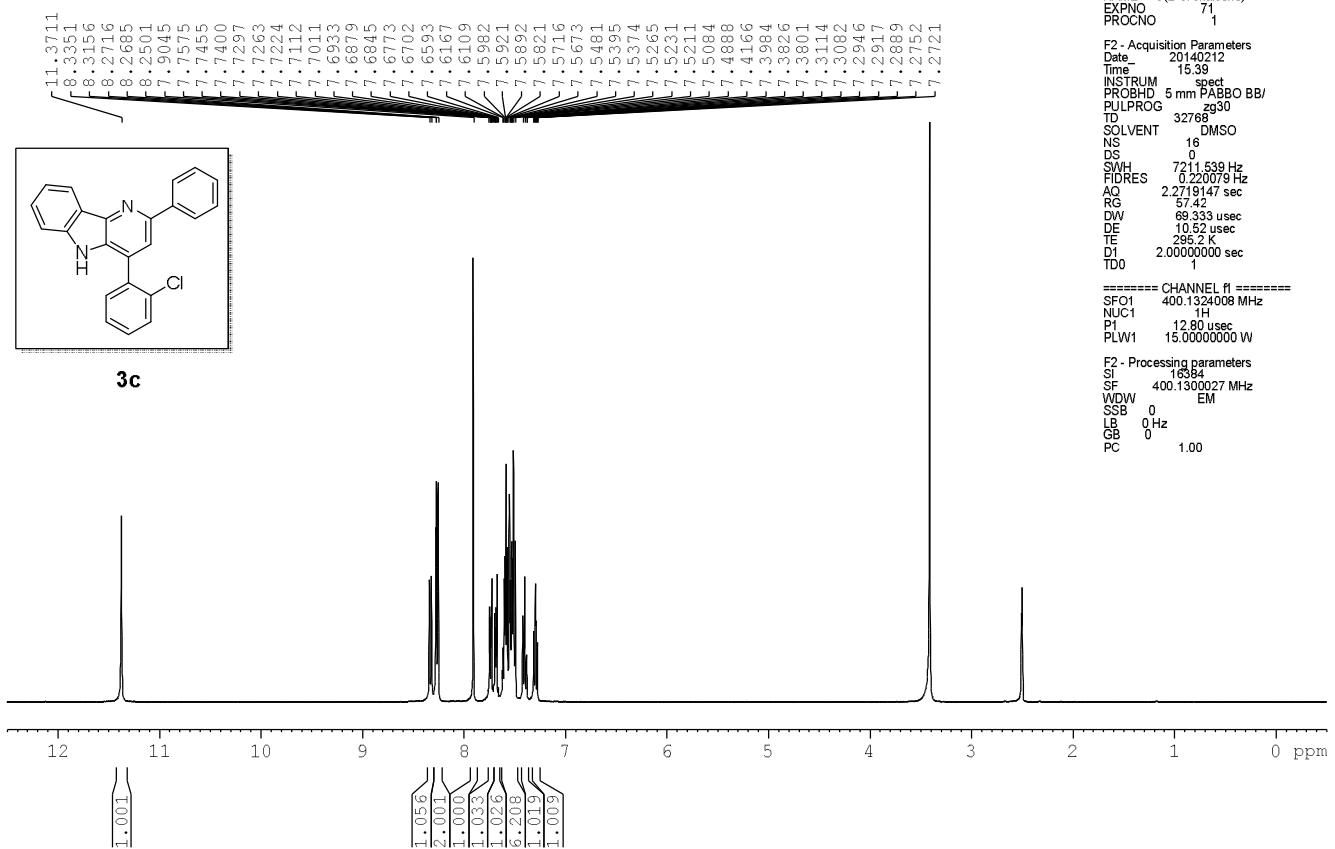
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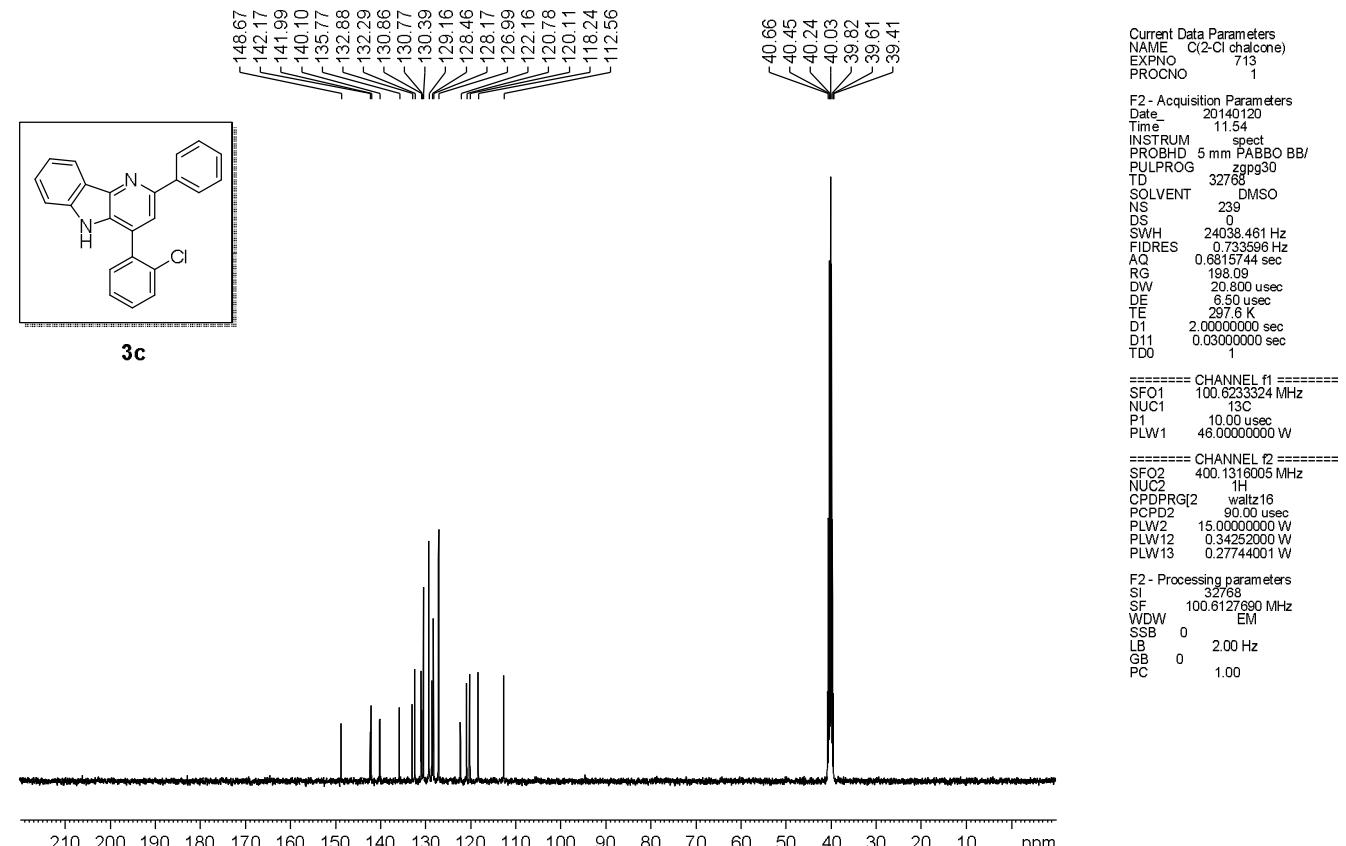
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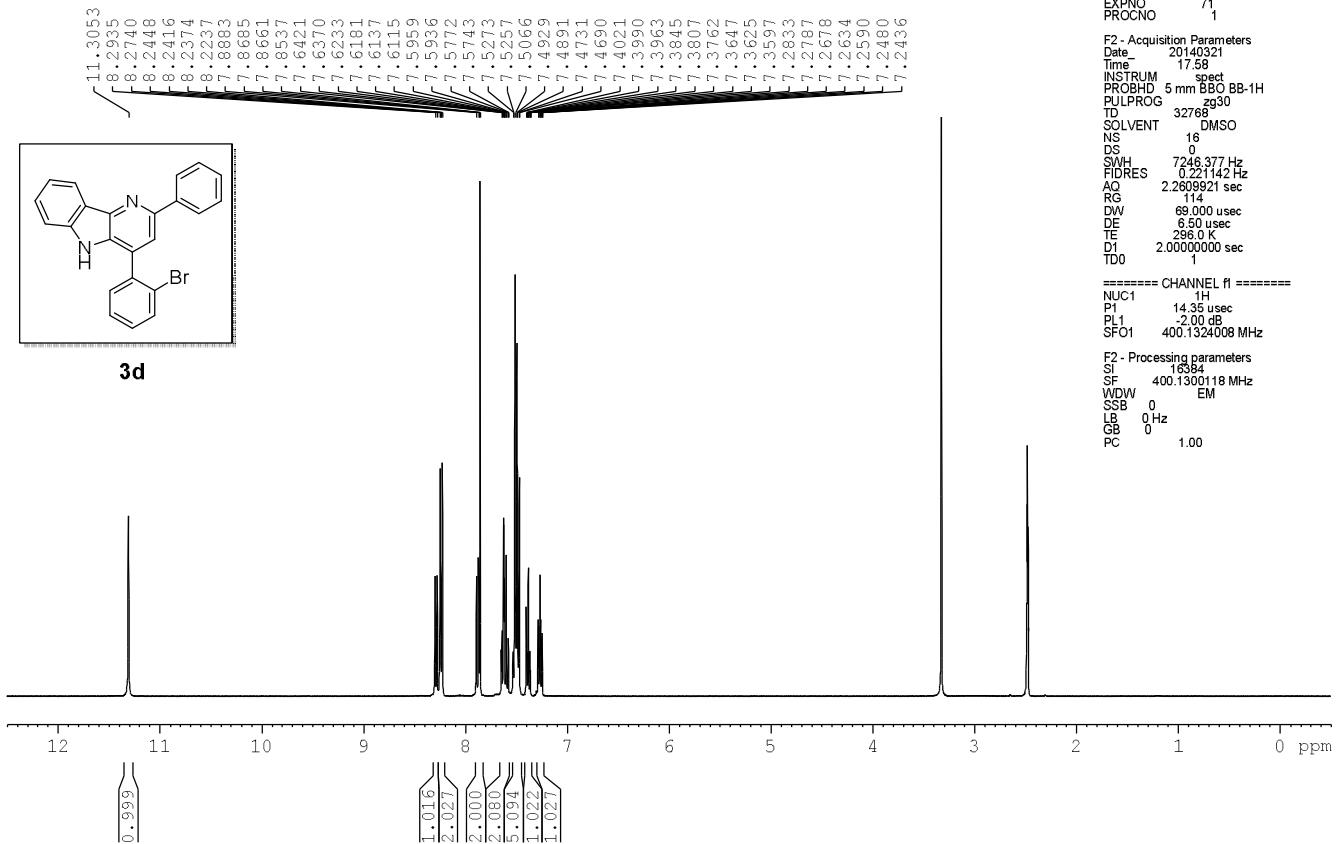
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4-(2-chlorophenyl)-2-phenyl-δ-carboline



4-(2-bromophenyl)-2-phenyl-δ-carboline



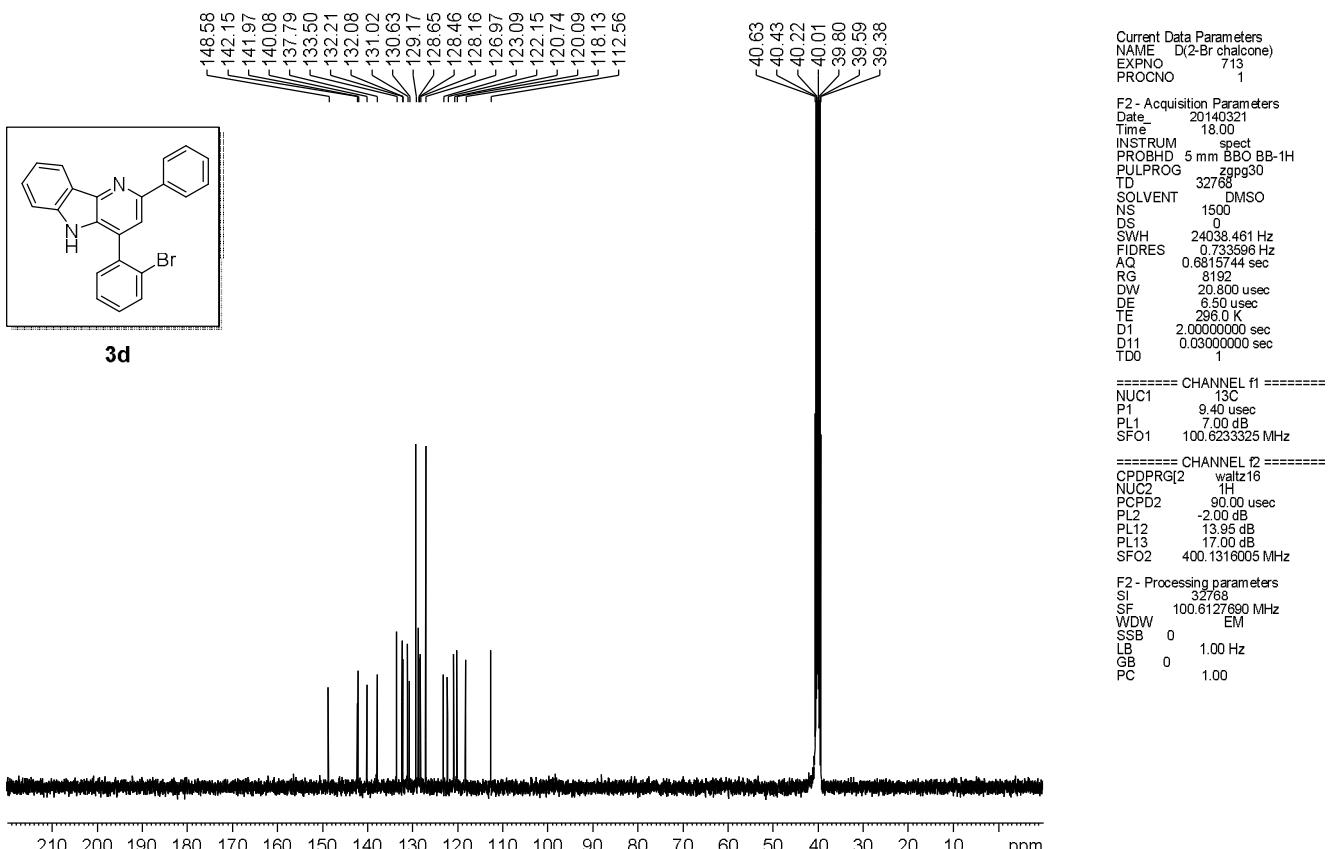
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EXPNO 71
PROCNO 1

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FIDRES 0.221142 Hz
AQ 2.2609921 sec
RG 114
DW 69.000 usec
DE 6.50 usec
TE 296.0 K
D1 2.0000000 sec
TDO 1

===== CHANNEL M1 =====
NUC1 1H
P1 14.35 usec
PL1 -2.00 dB
SFO1 400.1324008 MHz

F2 - Processing parameters
SI 16384
SF 400.130018 MHz
WDW EM
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4-(2-bromophenyl)-2-phenyl-δ-carboline



Current Data Parameters
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PROCNO 1

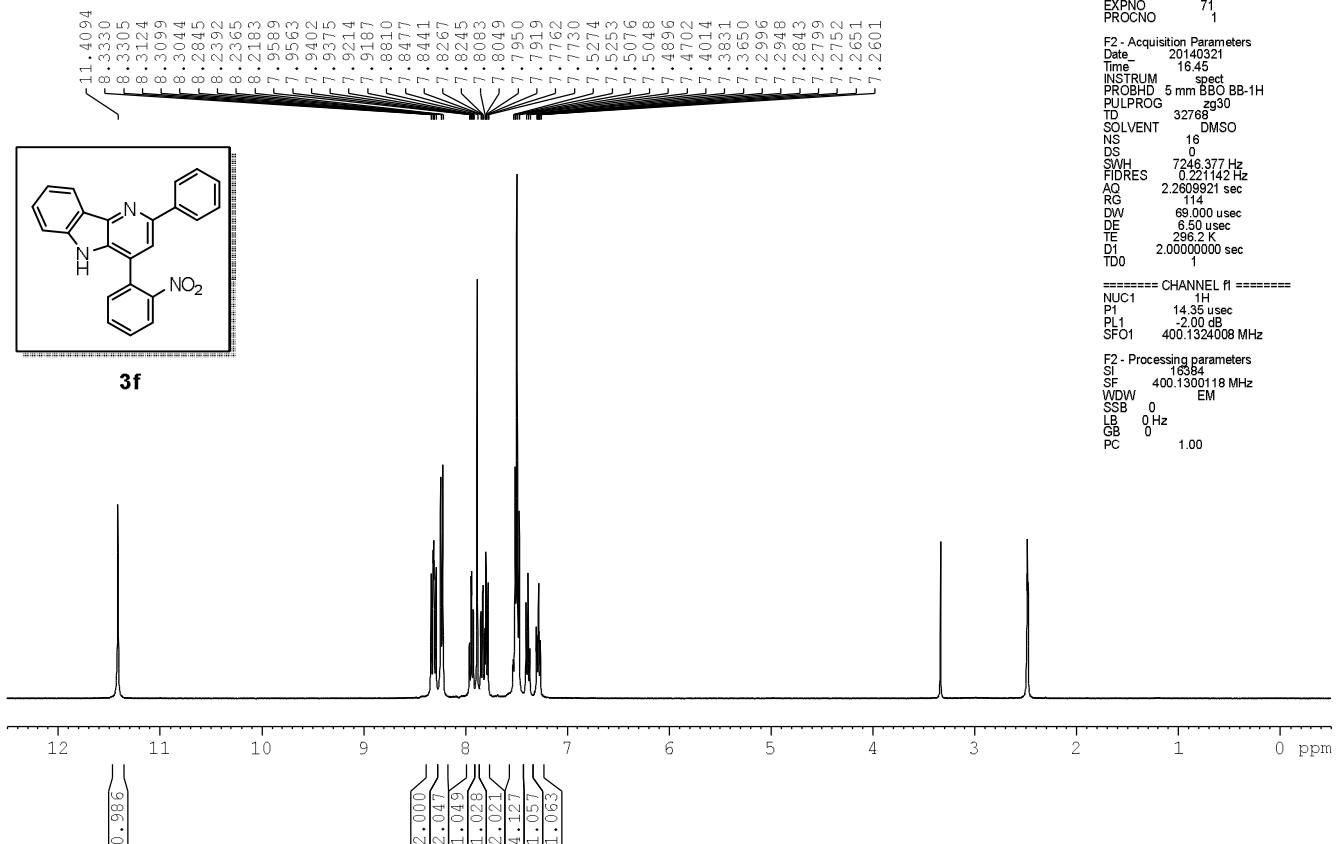
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TD 32768
SOLVENT DMSO
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DS 0
SWH 24039.461 Hz
FIDRES 0.793598 Hz
AQ 0.6815744 sec
RG 8192
DW 20.800 usec
DE 6.50 usec
TE 296.0 K
D1 2.0000000 sec
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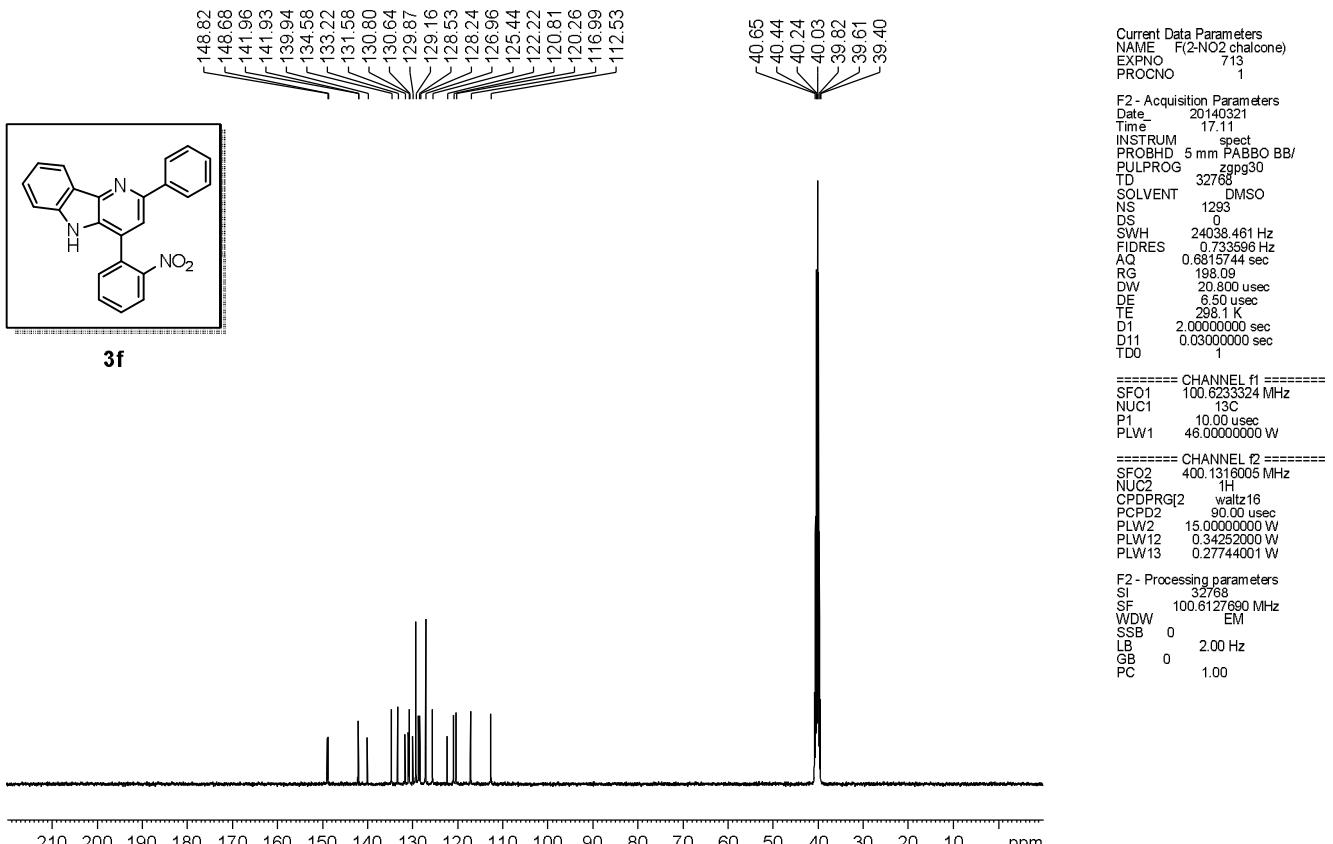
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PL13 17.00 dB
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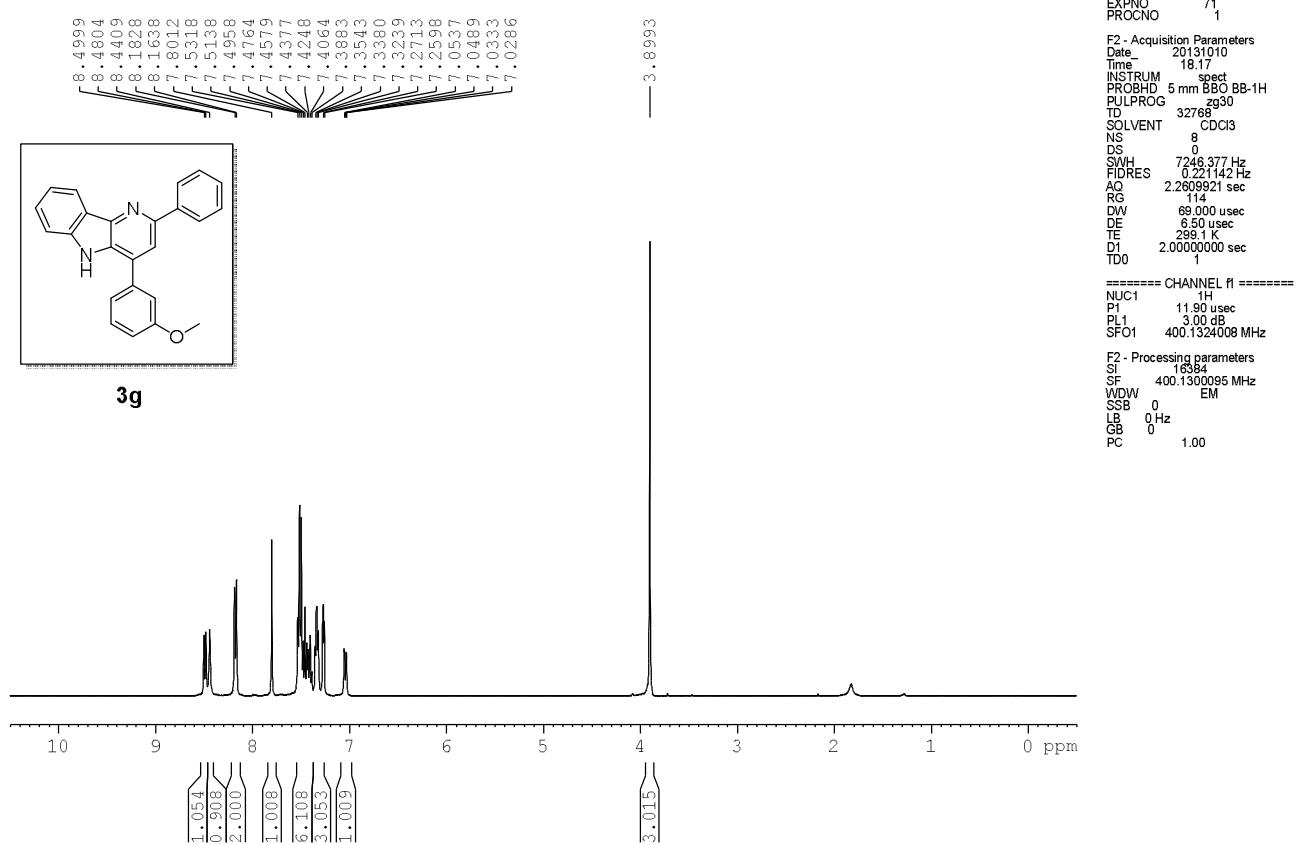
4-(2-nitrophenyl)-2-phenyl-δ-carboline



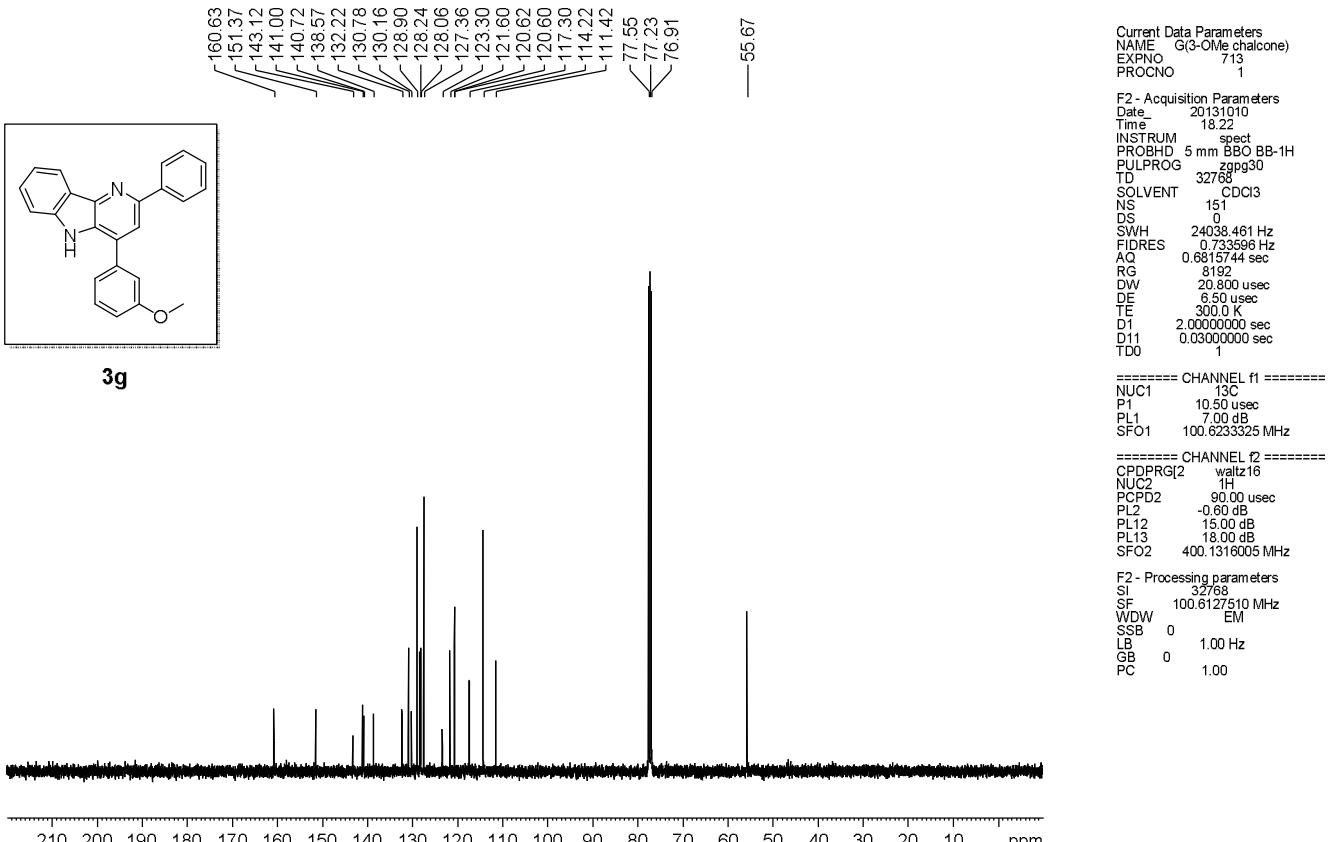
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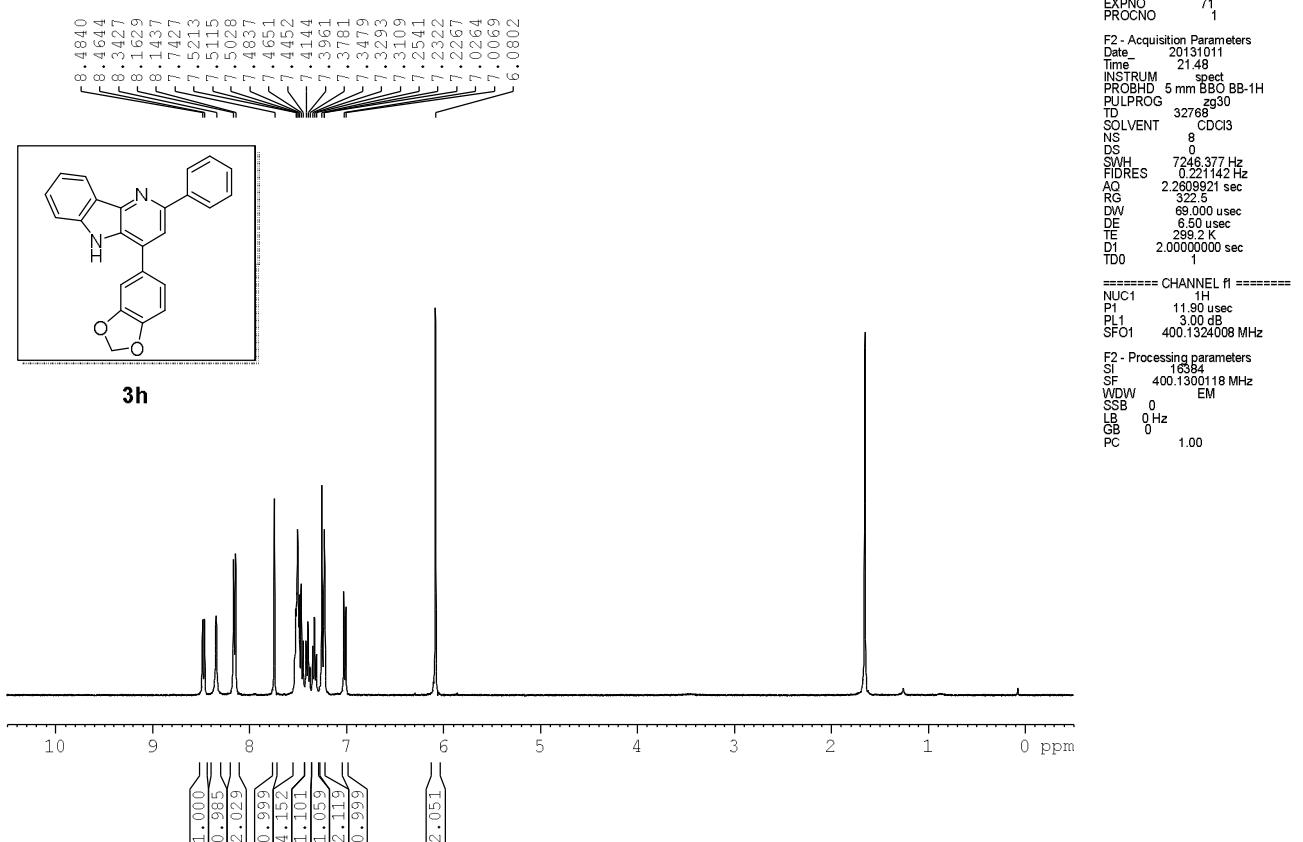
4-(3-methoxyphenyl)-2-phenyl- δ -carboline



4-(3-methoxyphenyl)-2-phenyl- δ -carboline



4-(benzo[d][1,3]dioxol-5-yl)-2-phenyl-δ-carboline



Current Data Parameters

NAME H(piperonyl chalcone)

EXPNO 71

PROCNO 1

F2 - Acquisition Parameters

Date 20131011

Time 21:48

INSTRUM spect

PROBHD 5 mm BBO BB-1H

PULPROG zg30

TD 32768

SOLVENT CDCl3

NS 8

DS 0

SWH 7246.377 Hz

FIDRES 0.221142 Hz

AQ 2.2609921 sec

RG 322.5

DW 69.000 usec

DE 6.50 usec

TE 293.2 K

D1 2.0000000 sec

TDO 1

===== CHANNEL M1 =====

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F2 - Processing parameters

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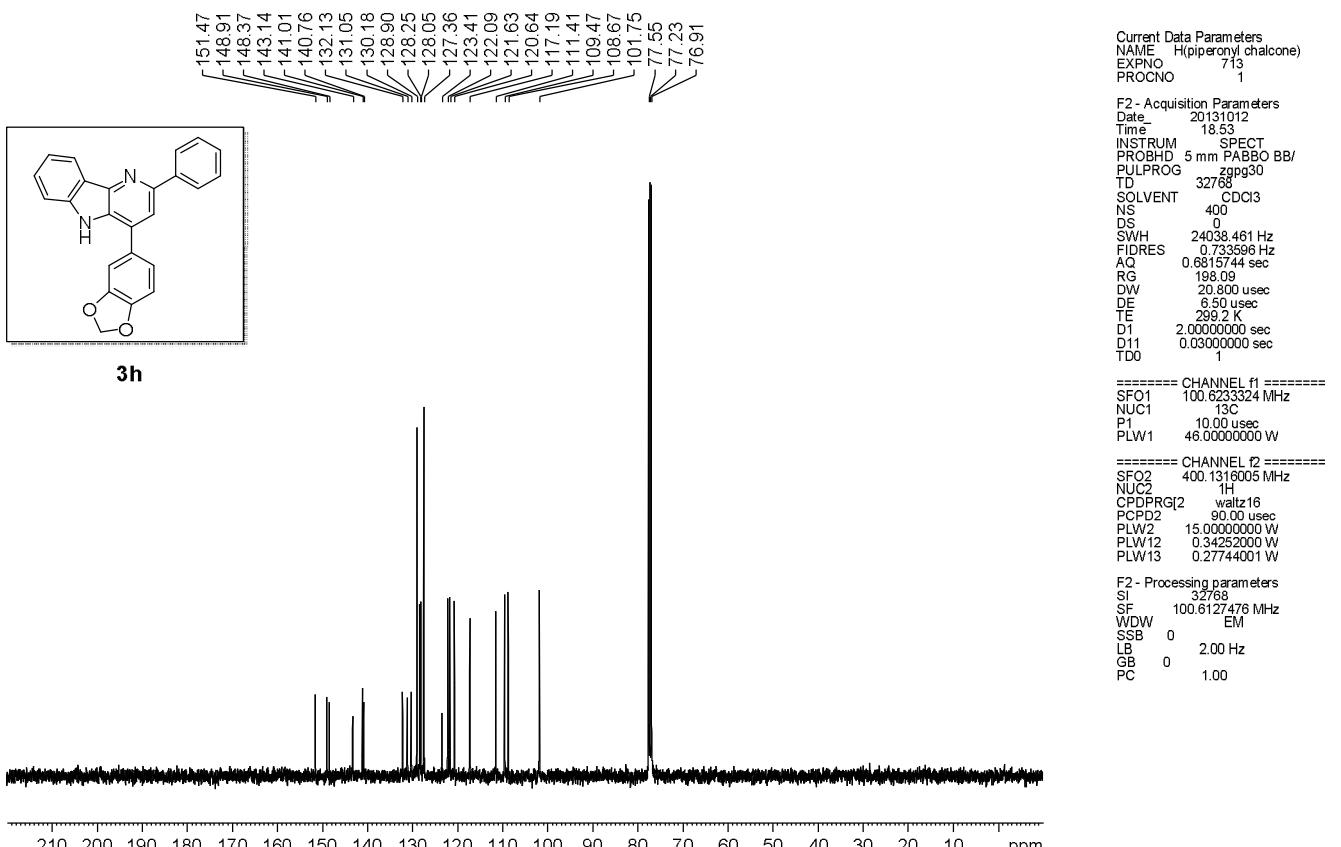
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4-(benzo[d][1,3]dioxol-5-yl)-2-phenyl-δ-carboline



Current Data Parameters

NAME H(piperonyl chalcone)

EXPNO 713

PROCNO 1

F2 - Acquisition Parameters

Date 20131012

Time 18:53

INSTRUM SPECT

PROBHD 5 mm PABBO BB/

PULPROG zg30

TD 32768

SOLVENT CDCl3

NS 400

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SWH 24039.461 Hz

FIDRES 0.793598 Hz

AQ 0.6815744 sec

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TE 293.2 K

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TDO 1

===== CHANNEL f1 =====

SFO1 100.6233324 MHz

NUC1 13C

P1 10.00 usec

PLW1 46.00000000 W

===== CHANNEL f2 =====

SFO2 400.1316005 MHz

NUC2 13C

CPDPRG[2] waltz16

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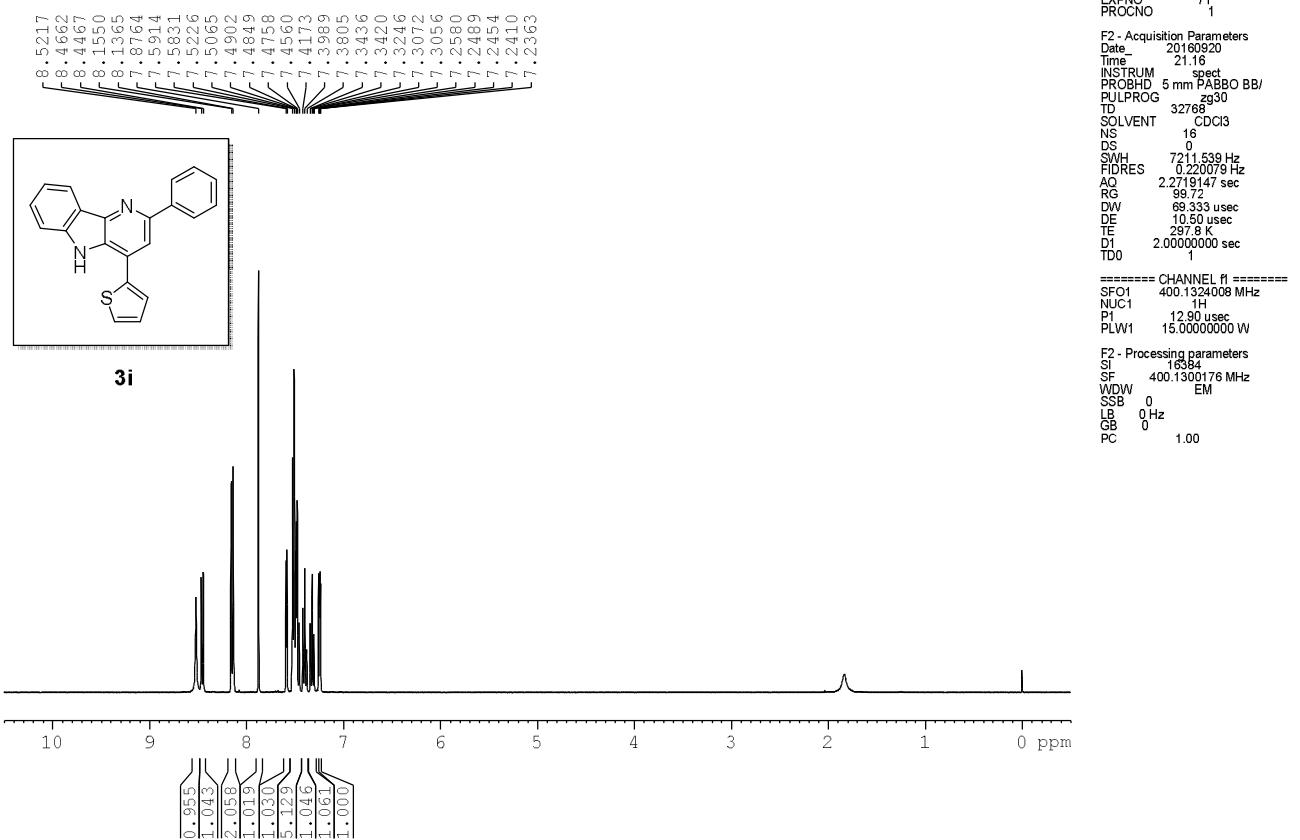
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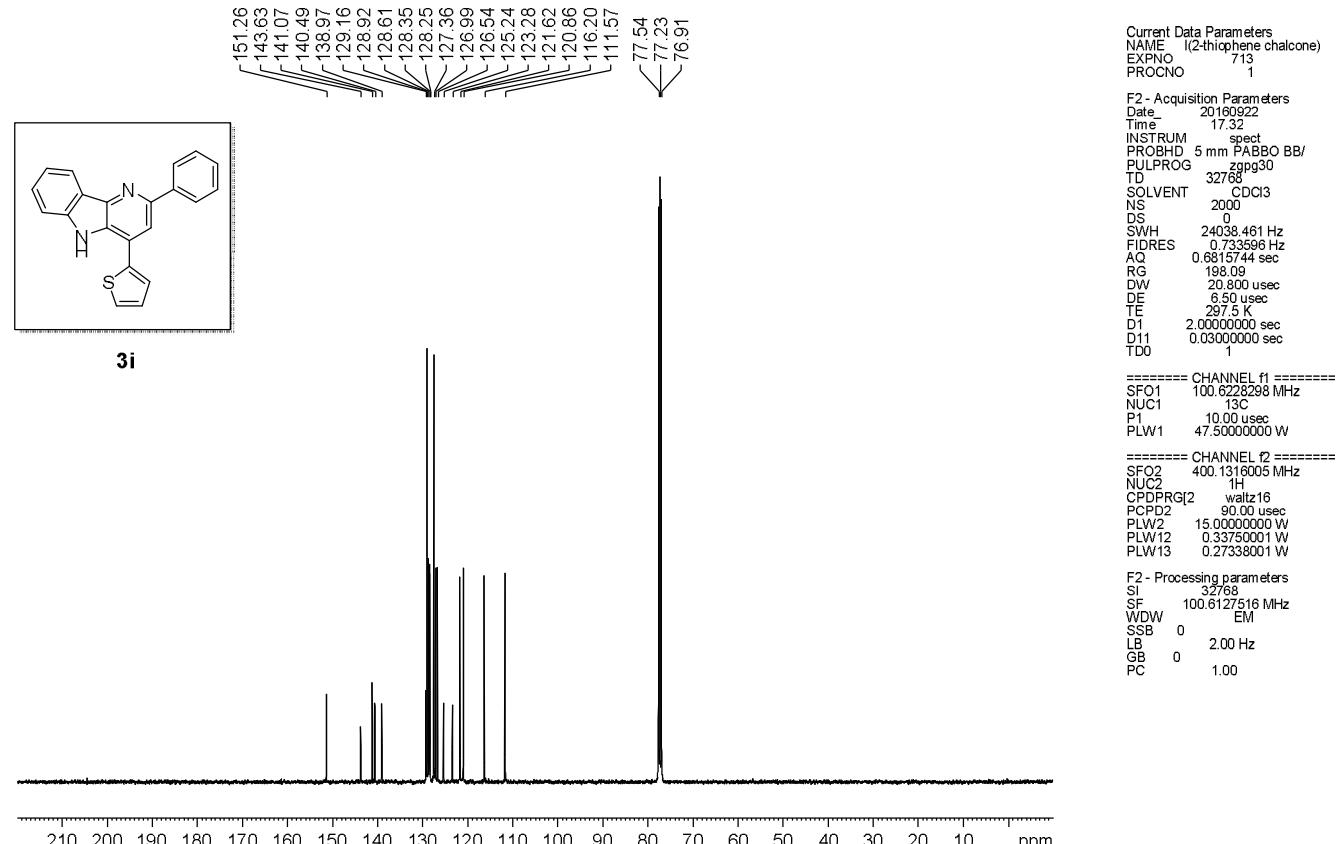
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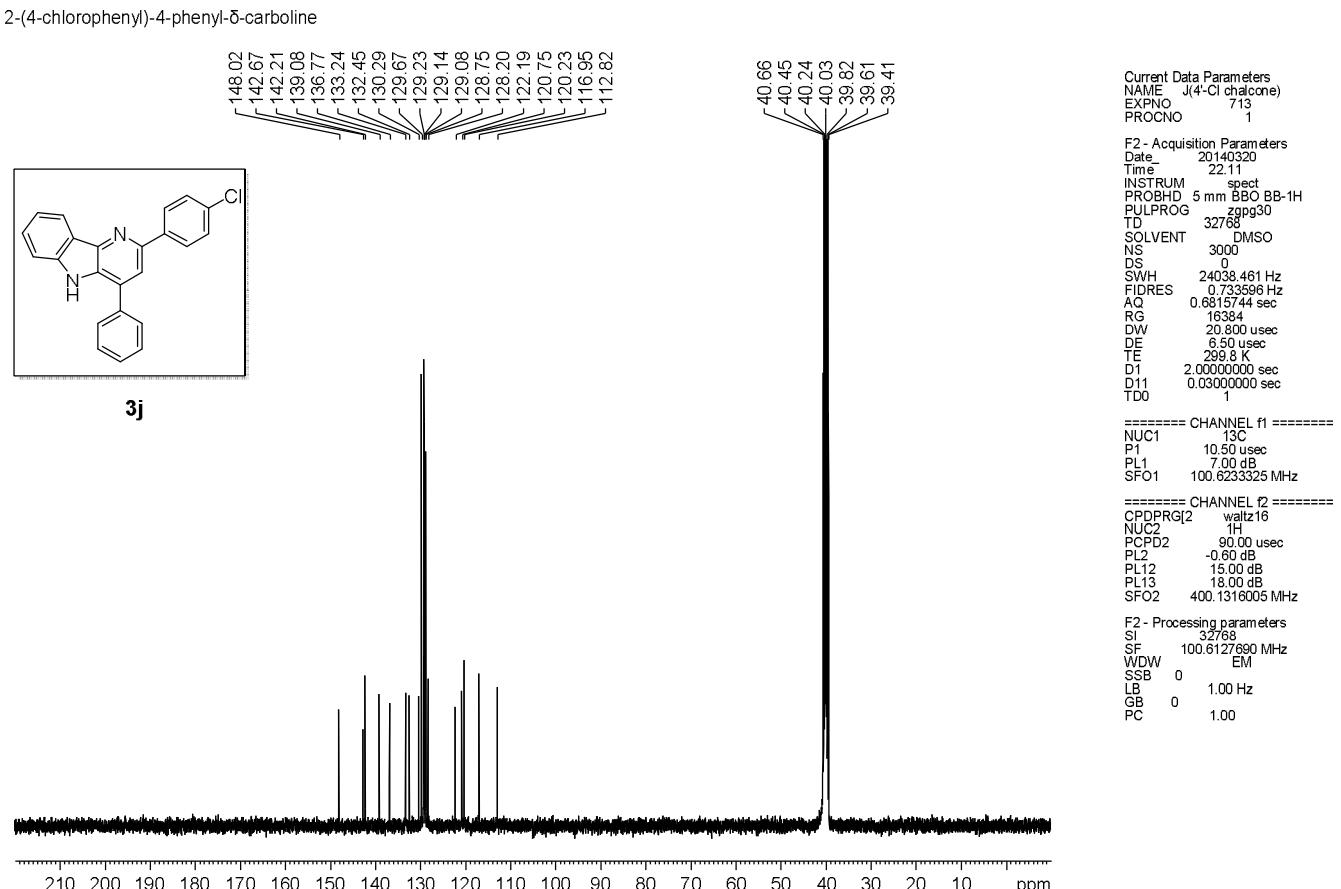
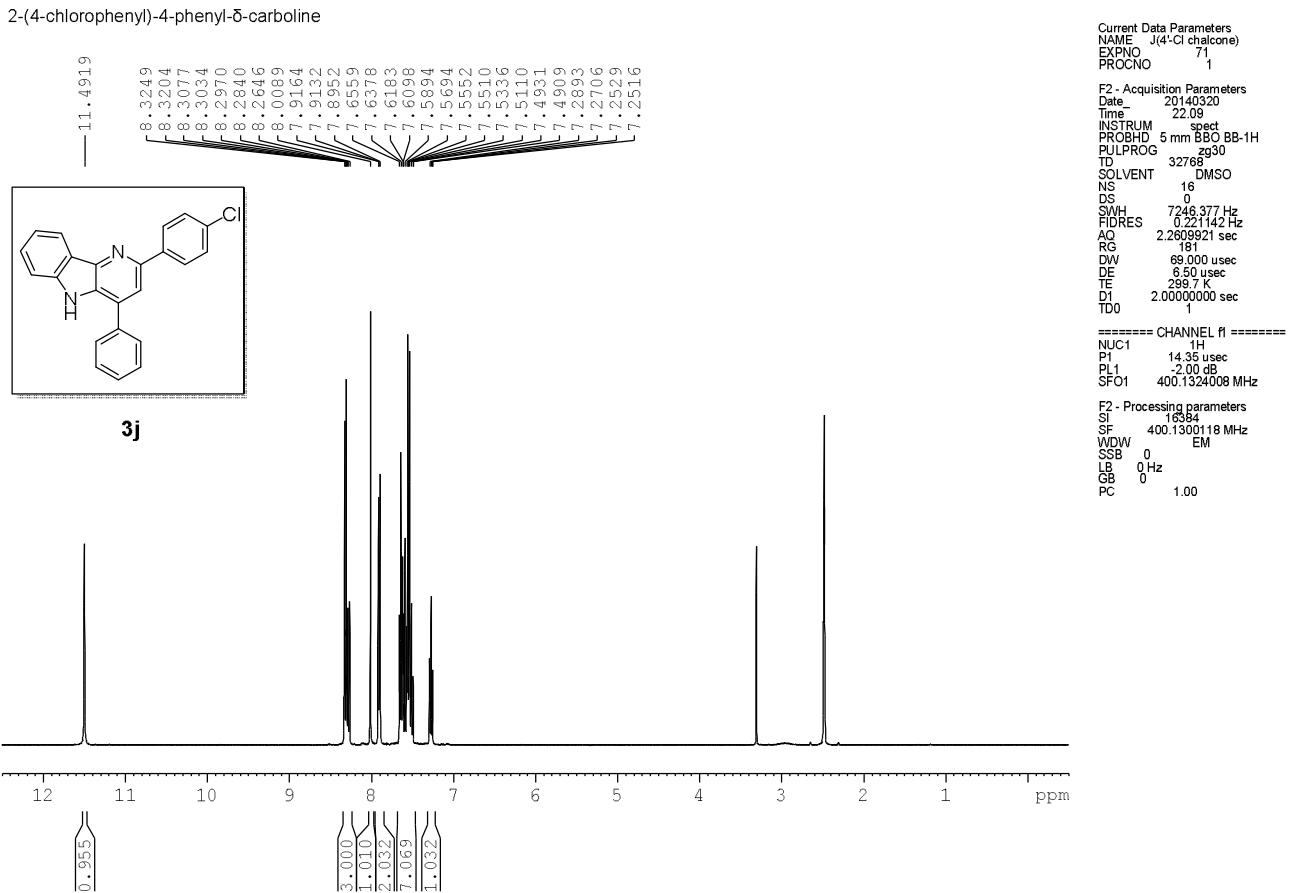
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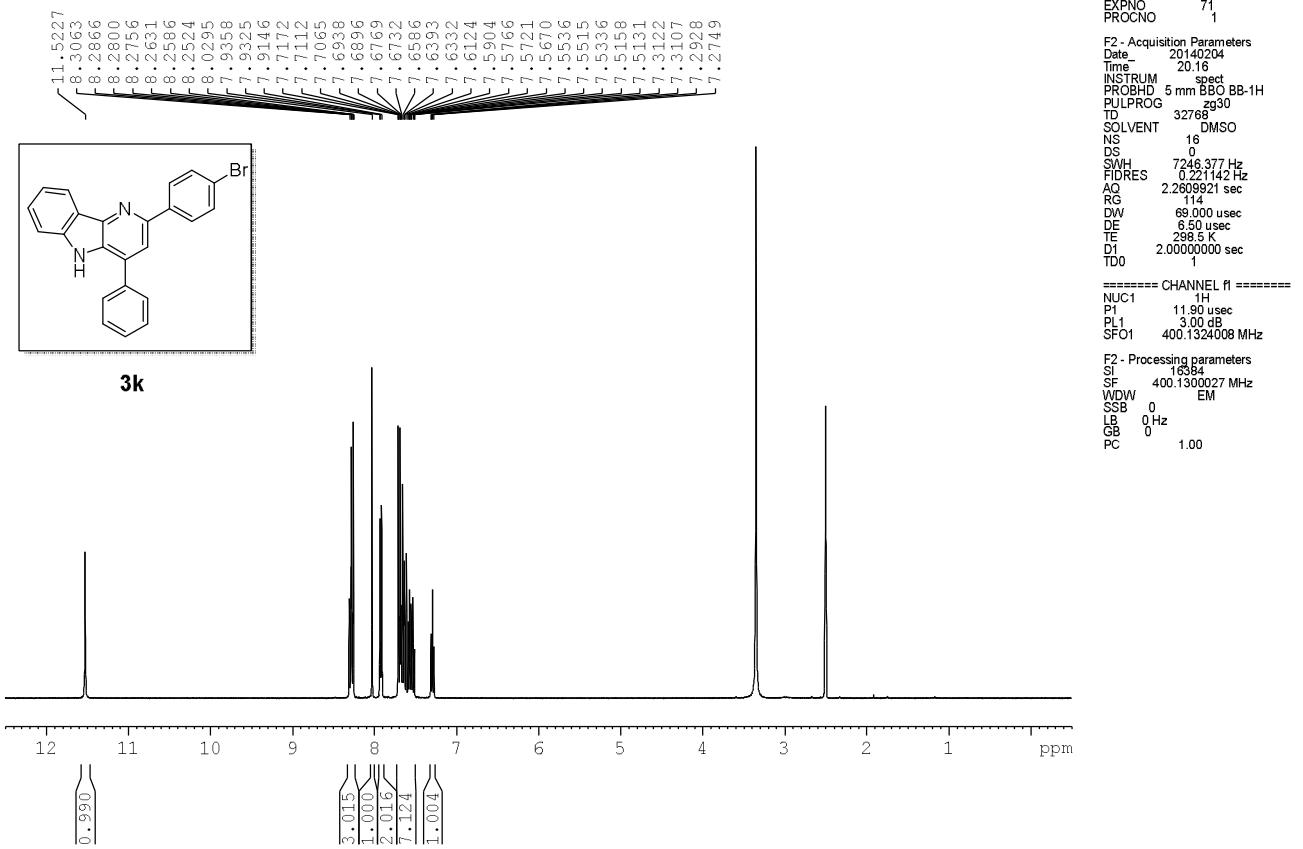


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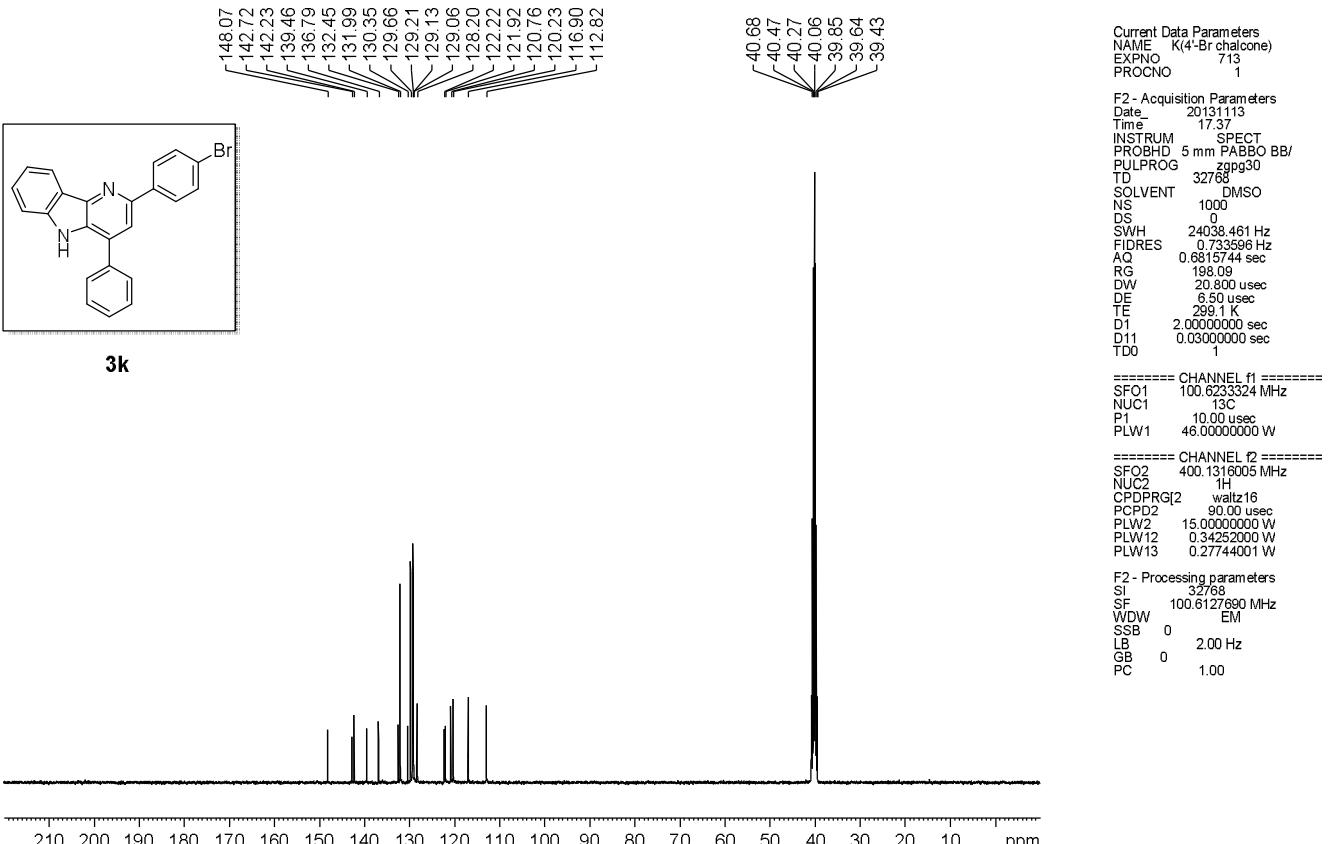


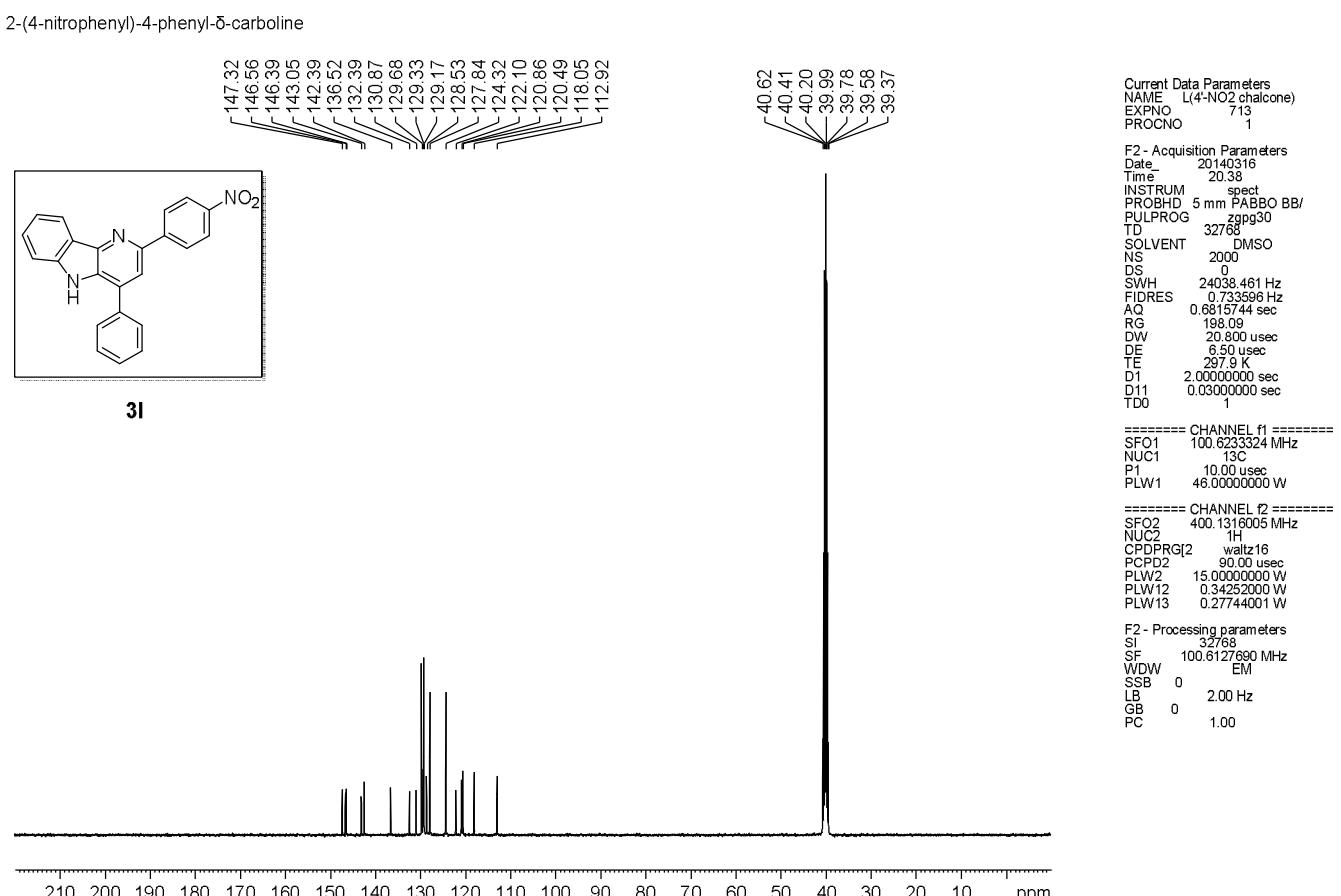
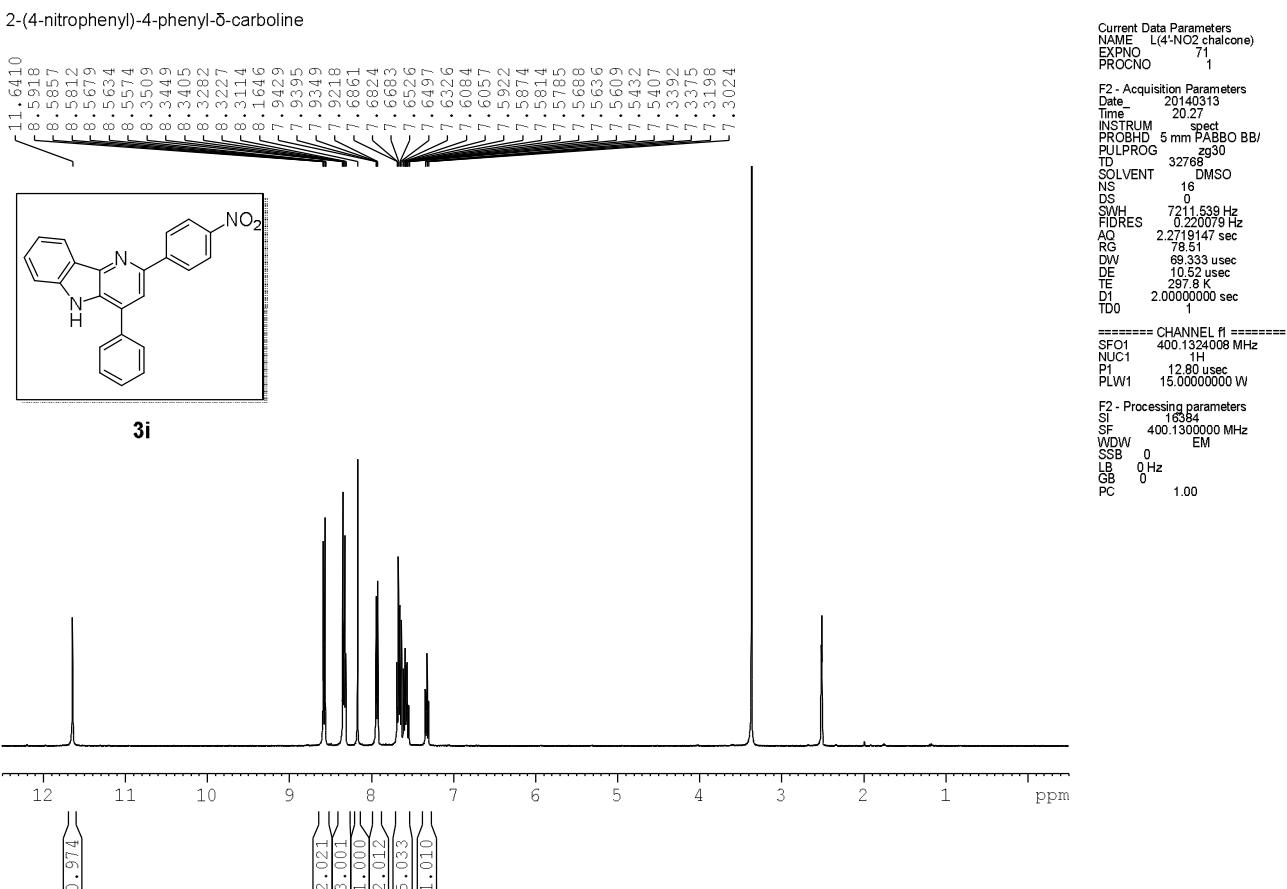


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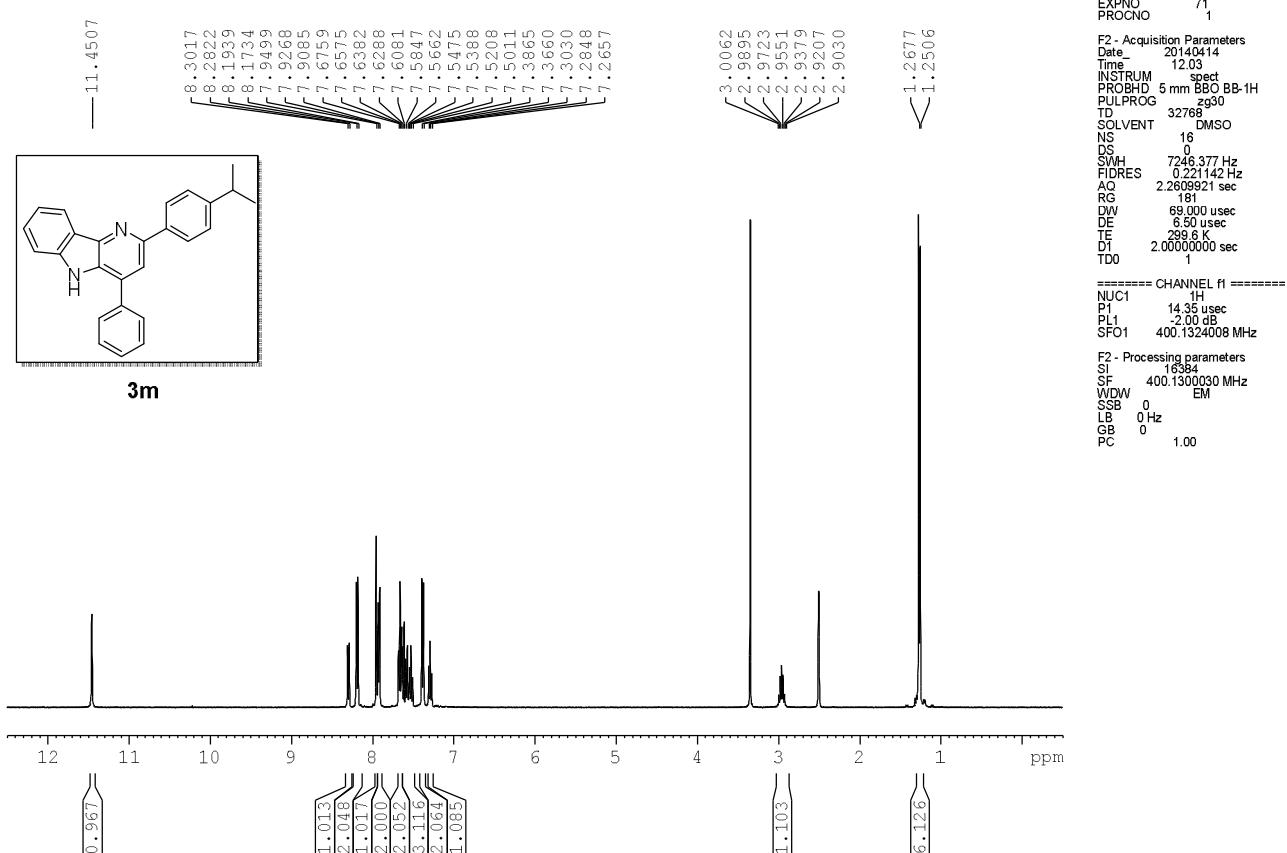


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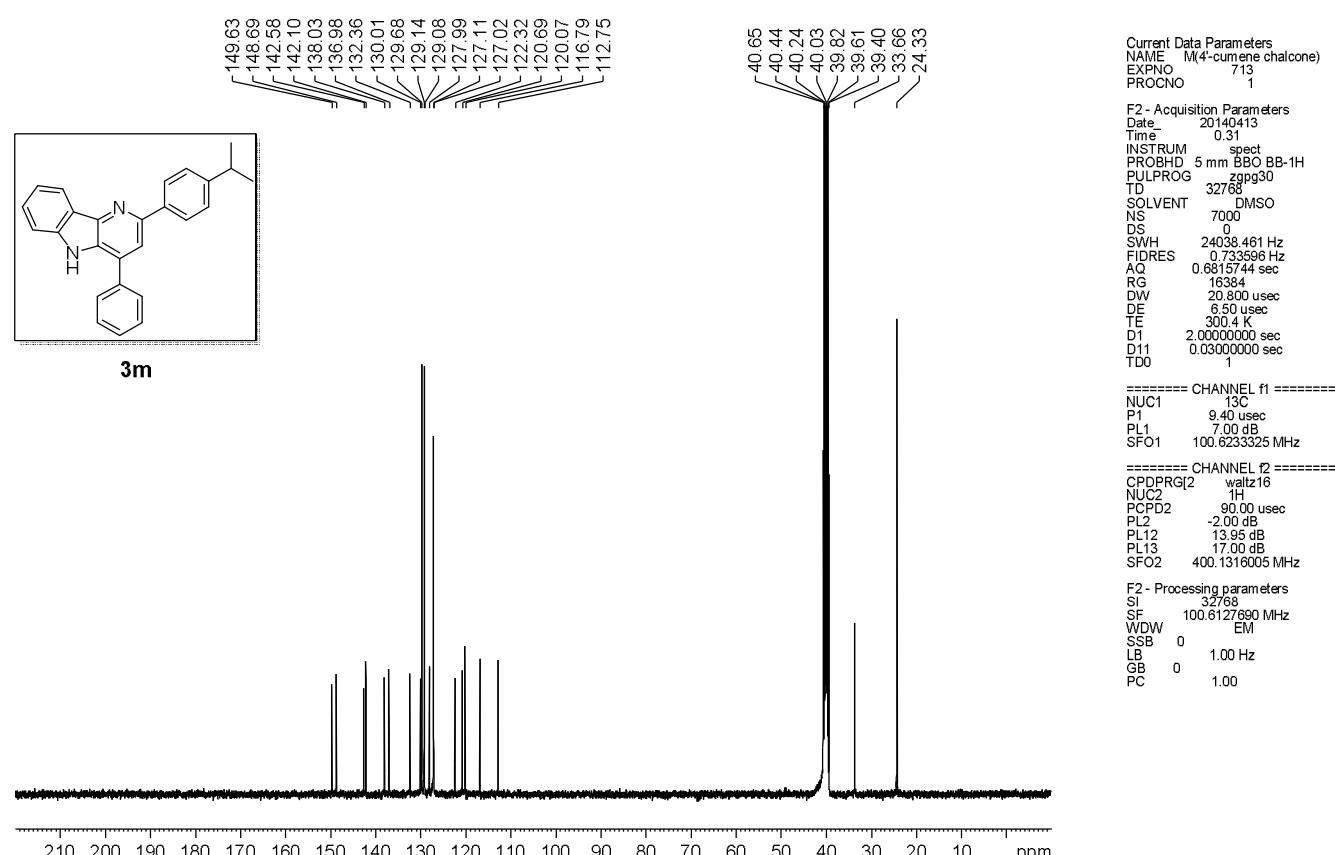




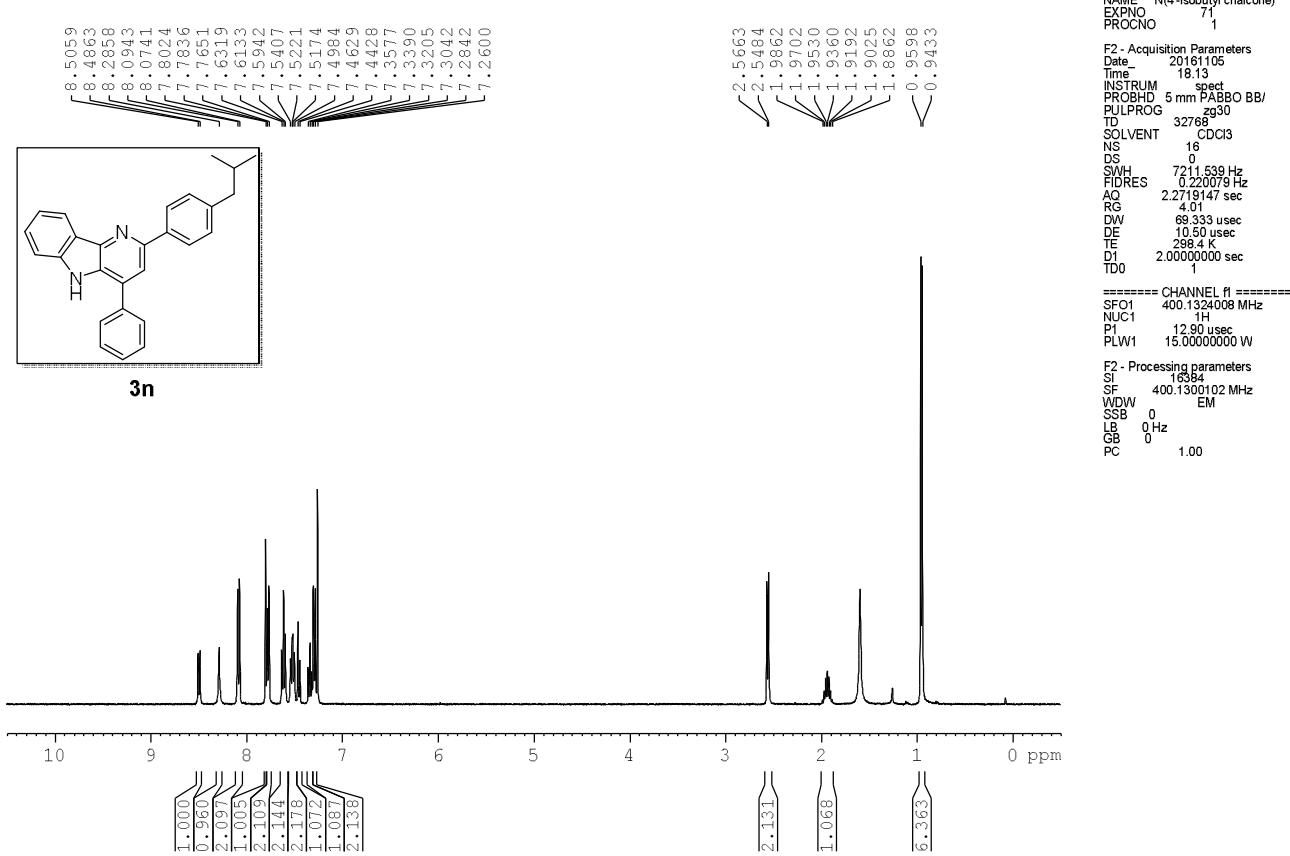
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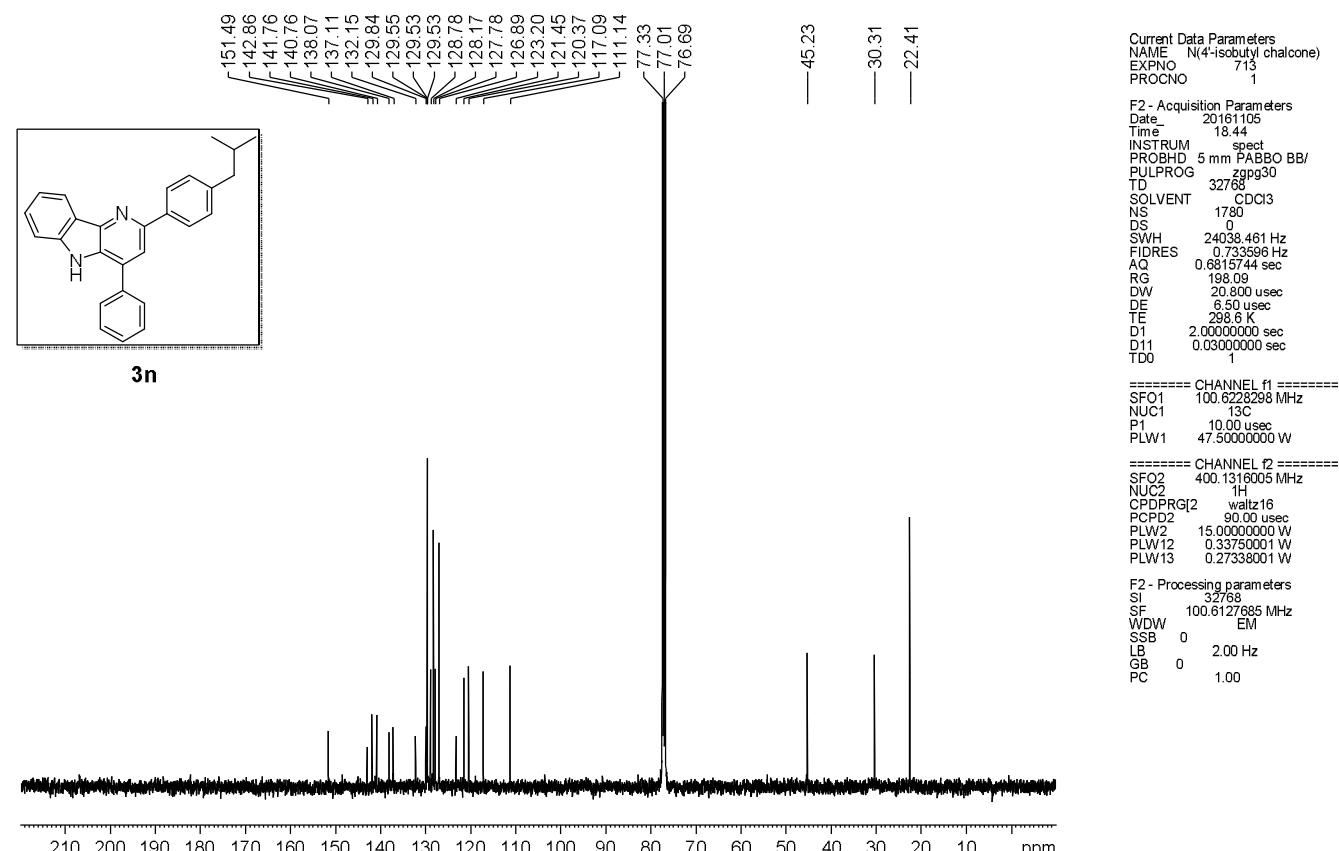
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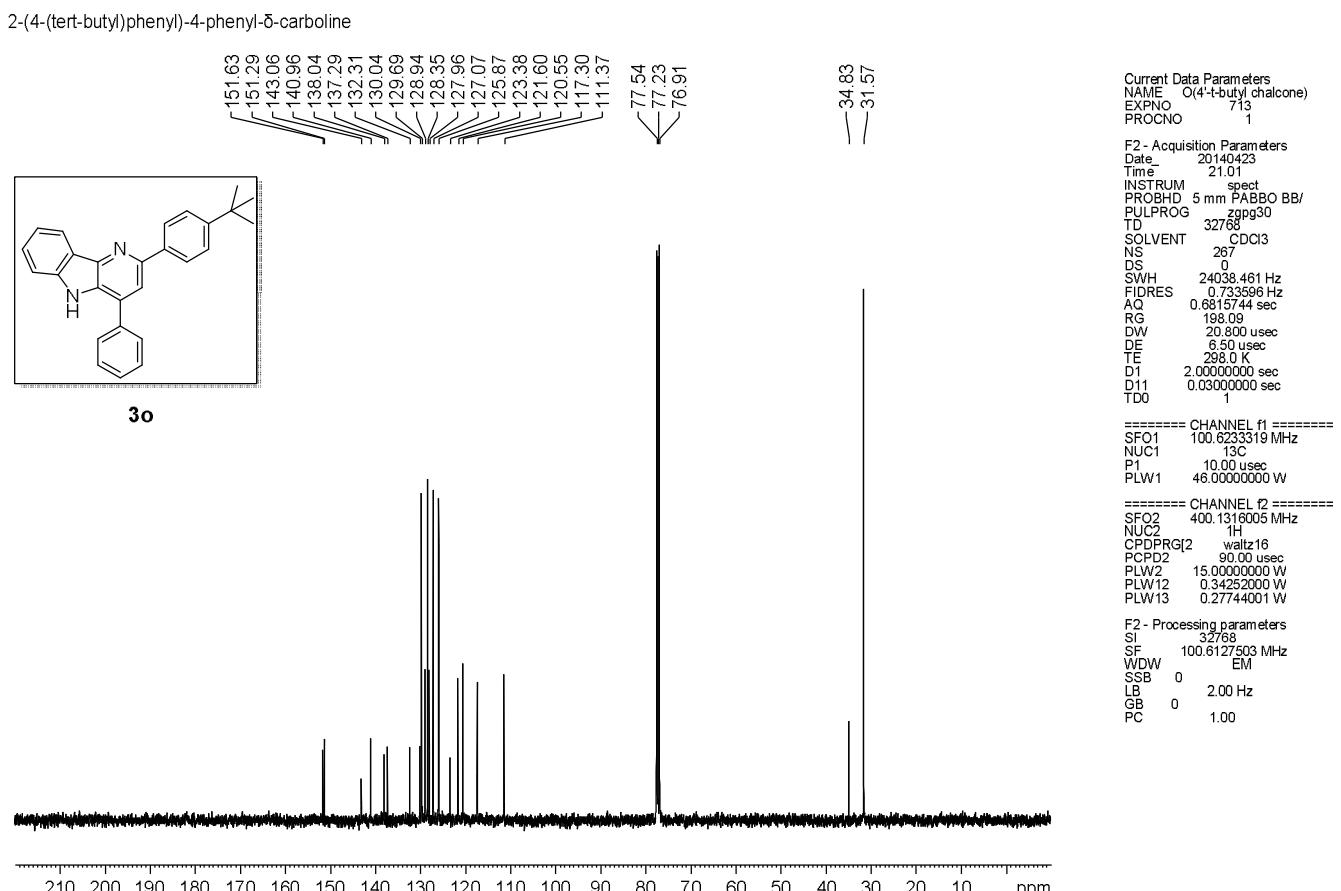
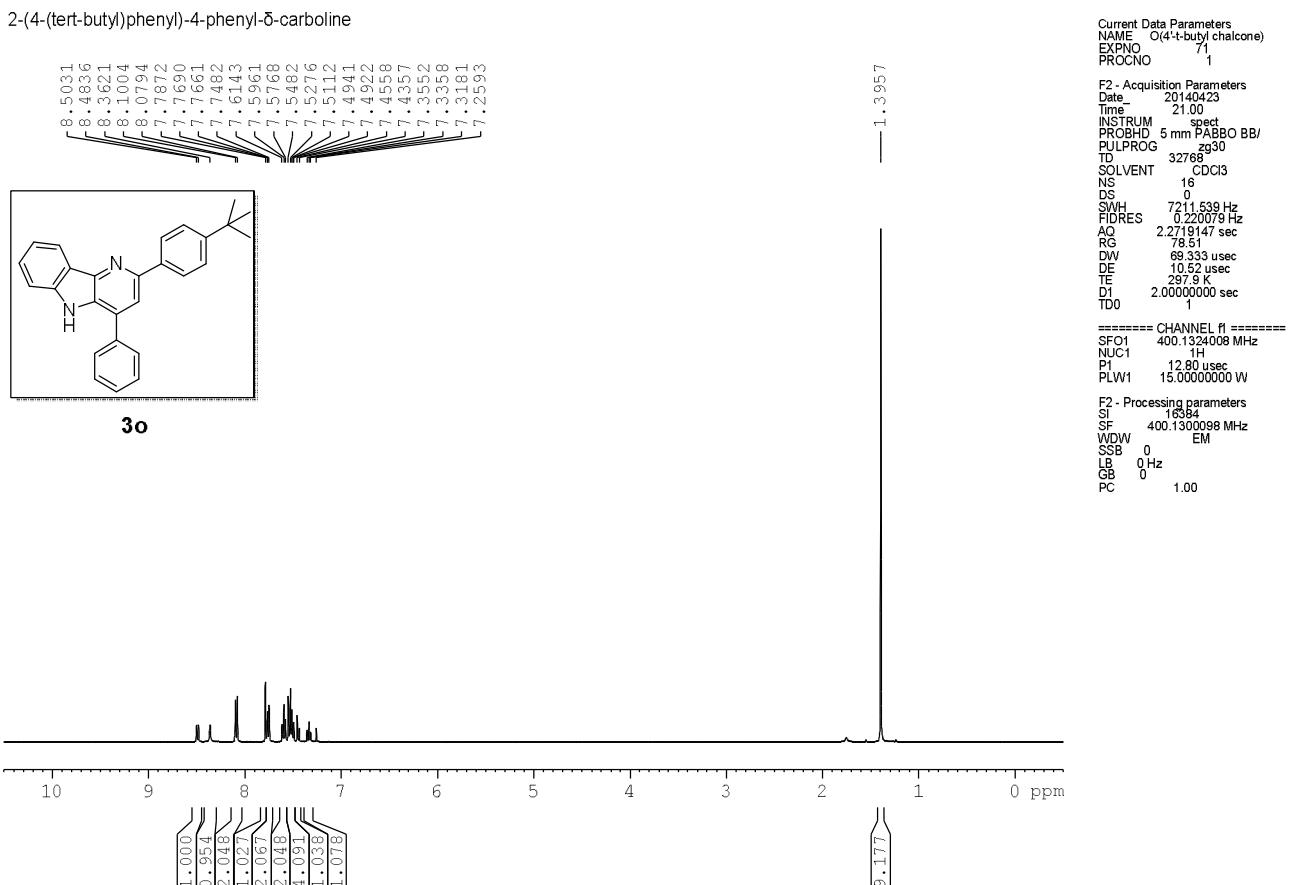


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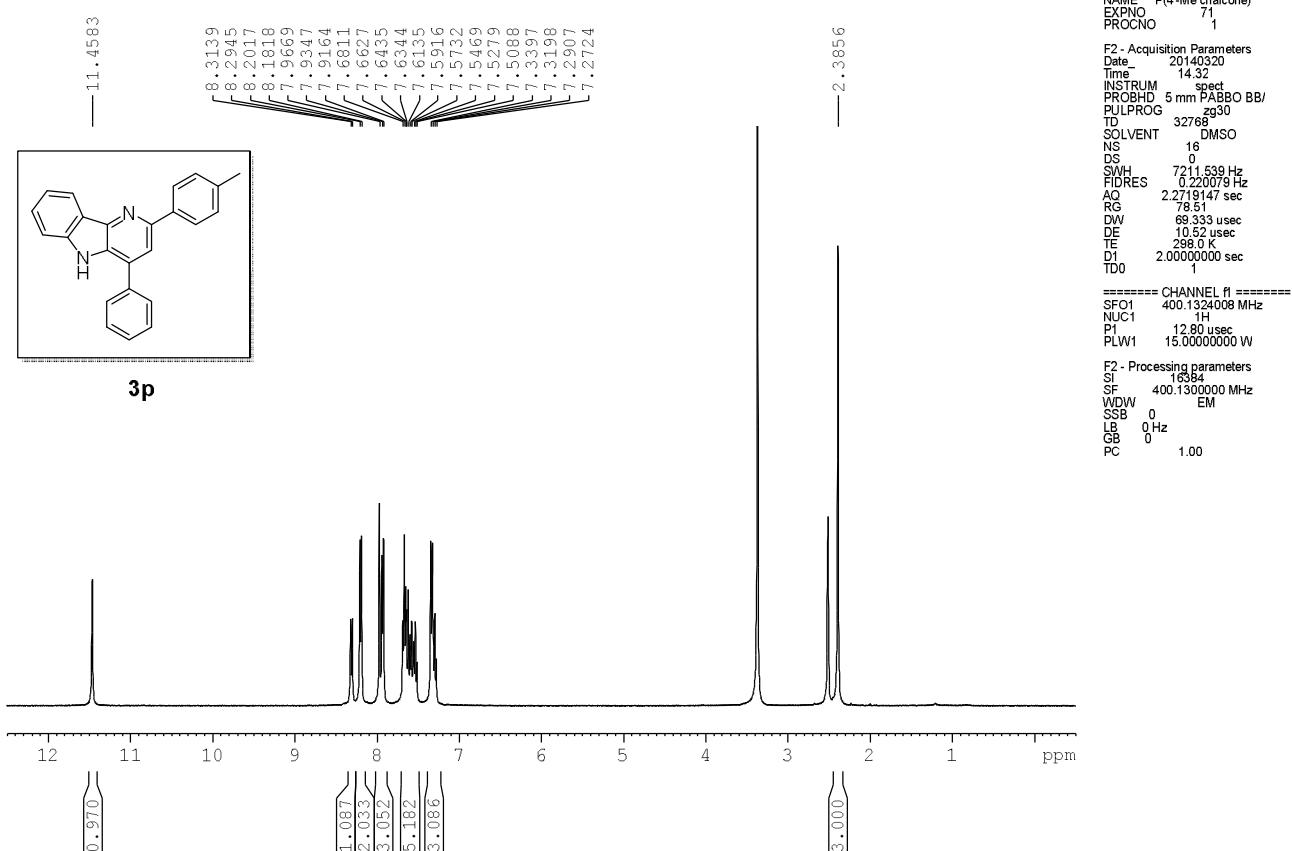


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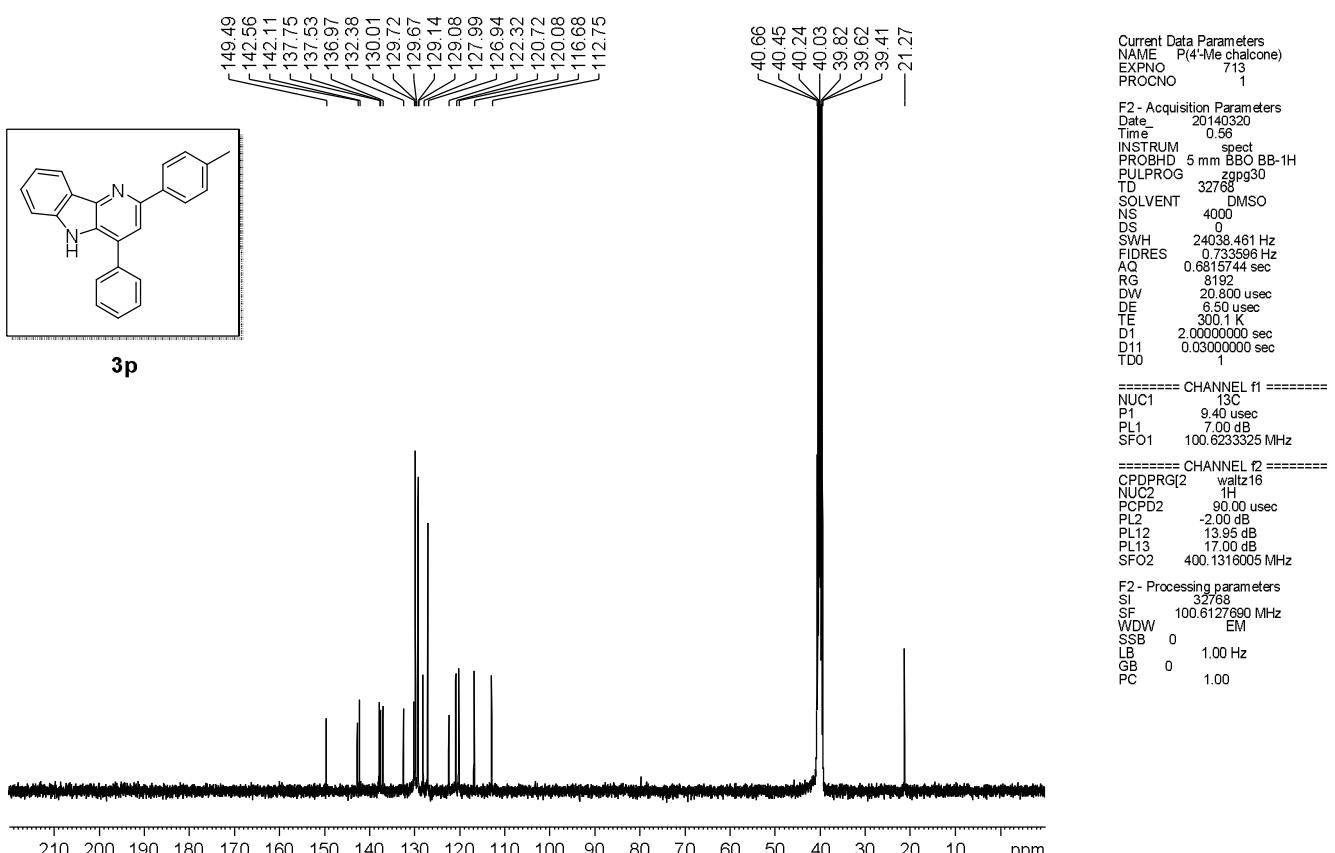




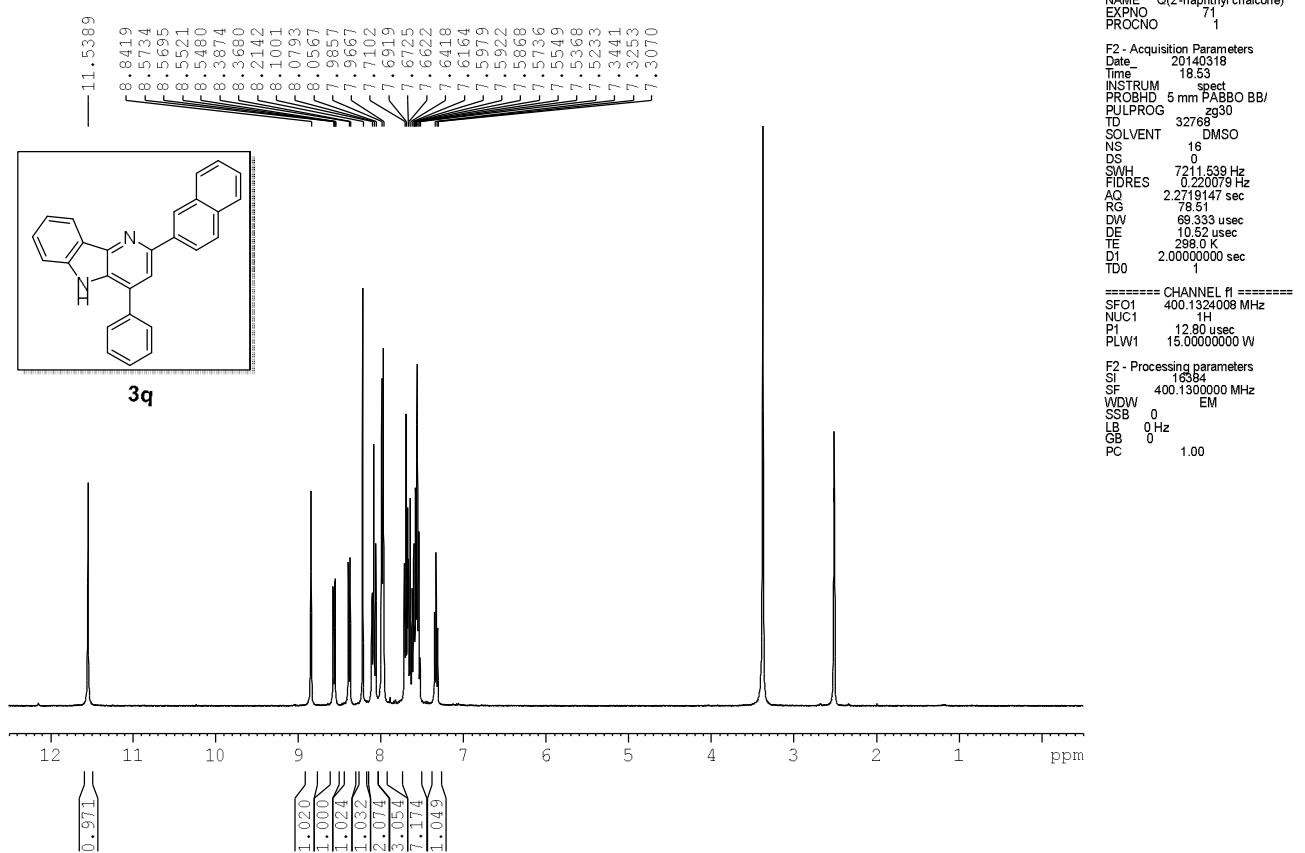
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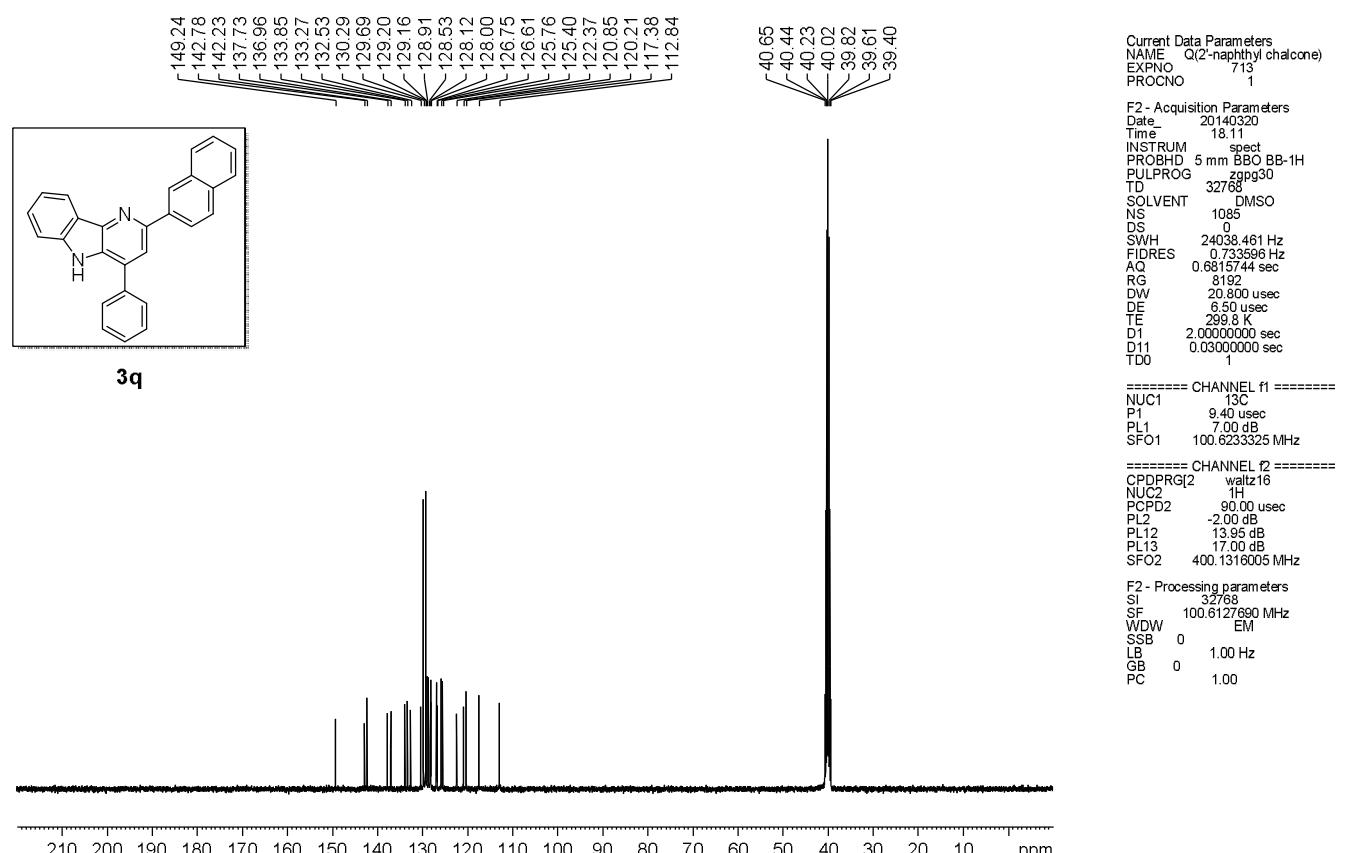
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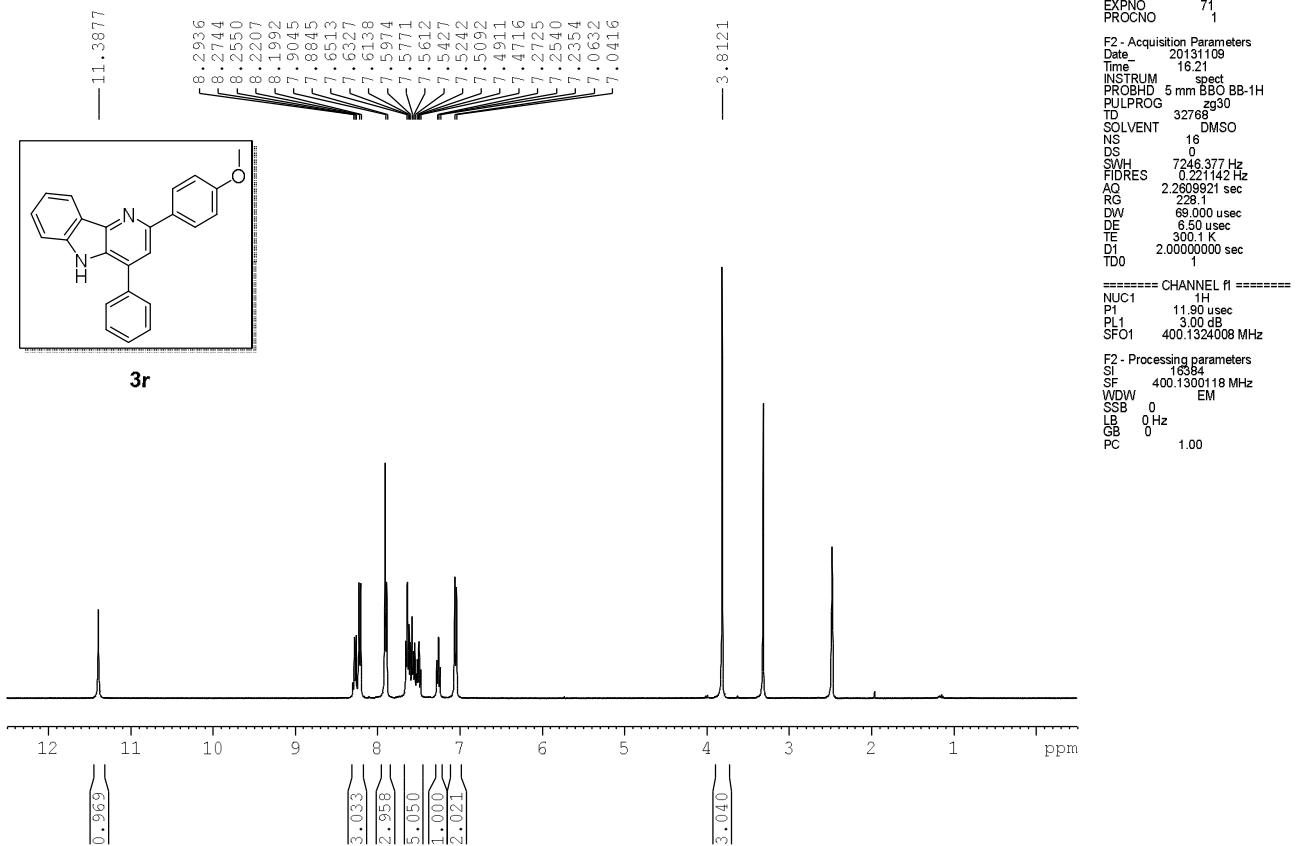
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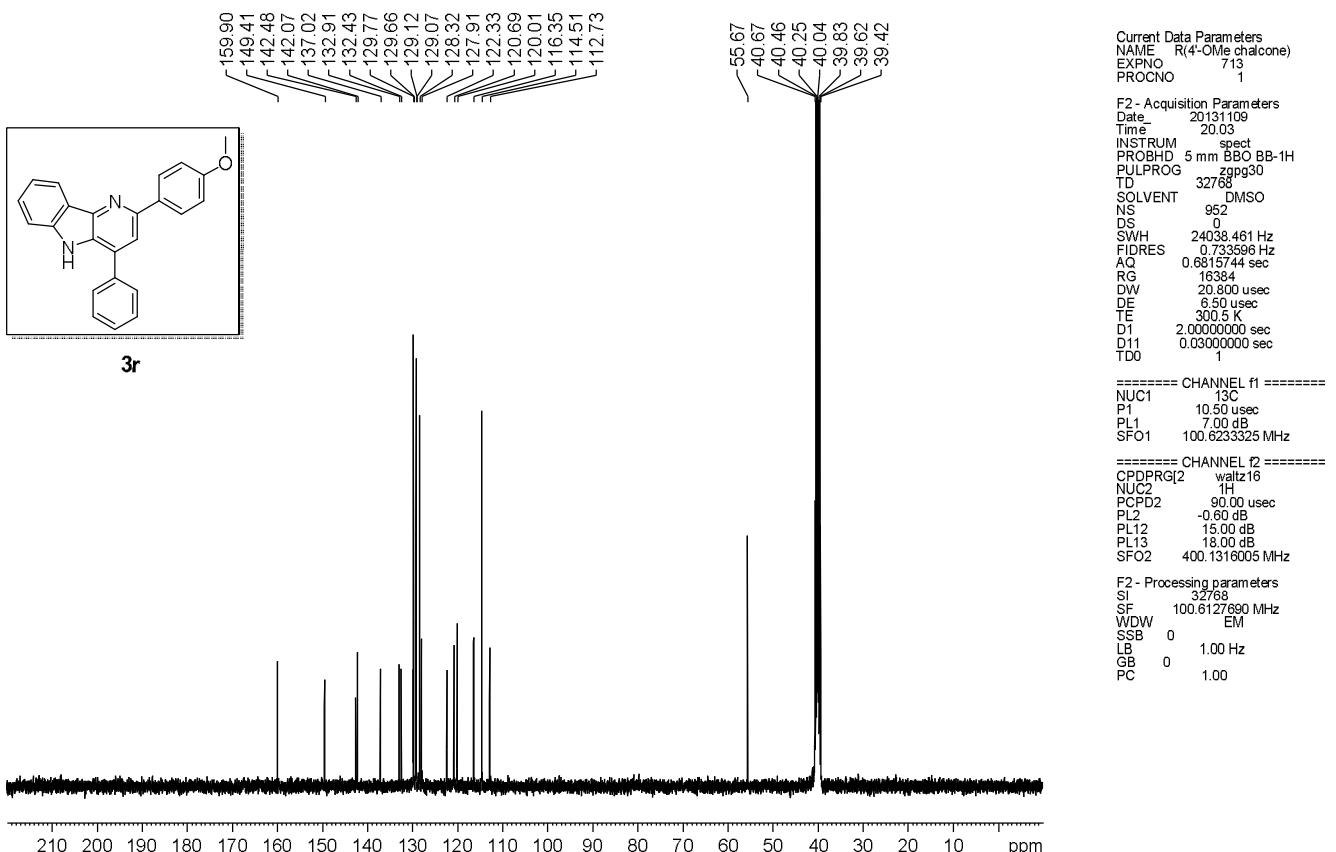
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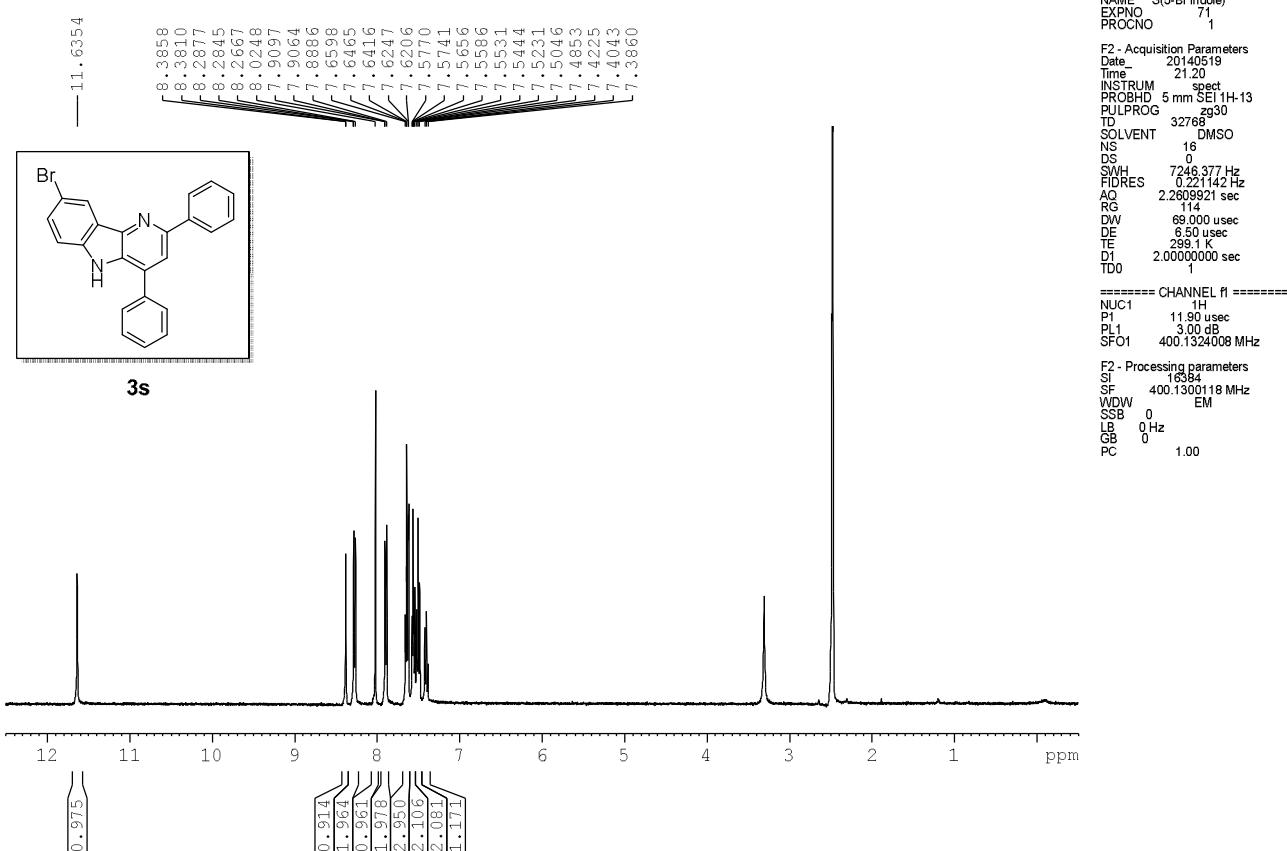
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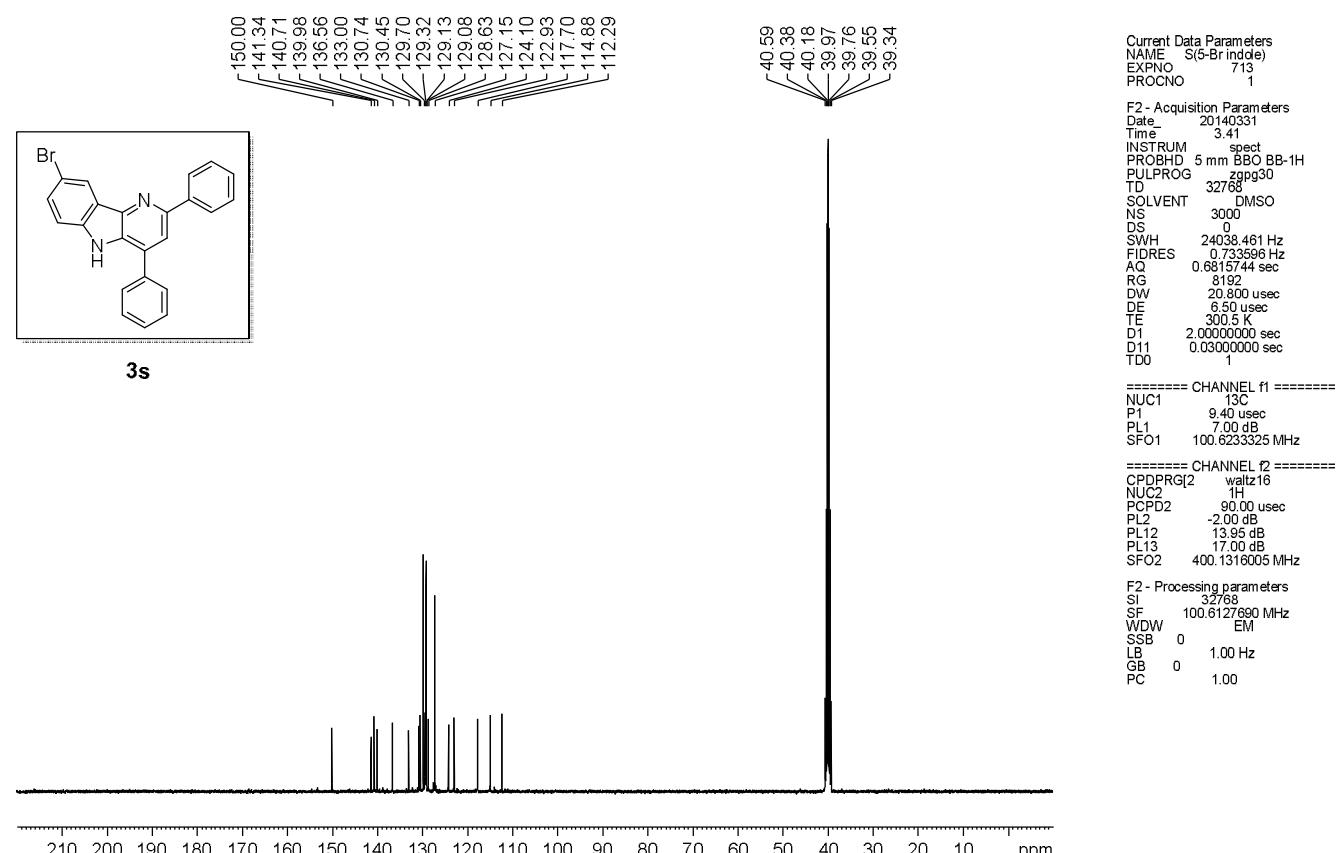
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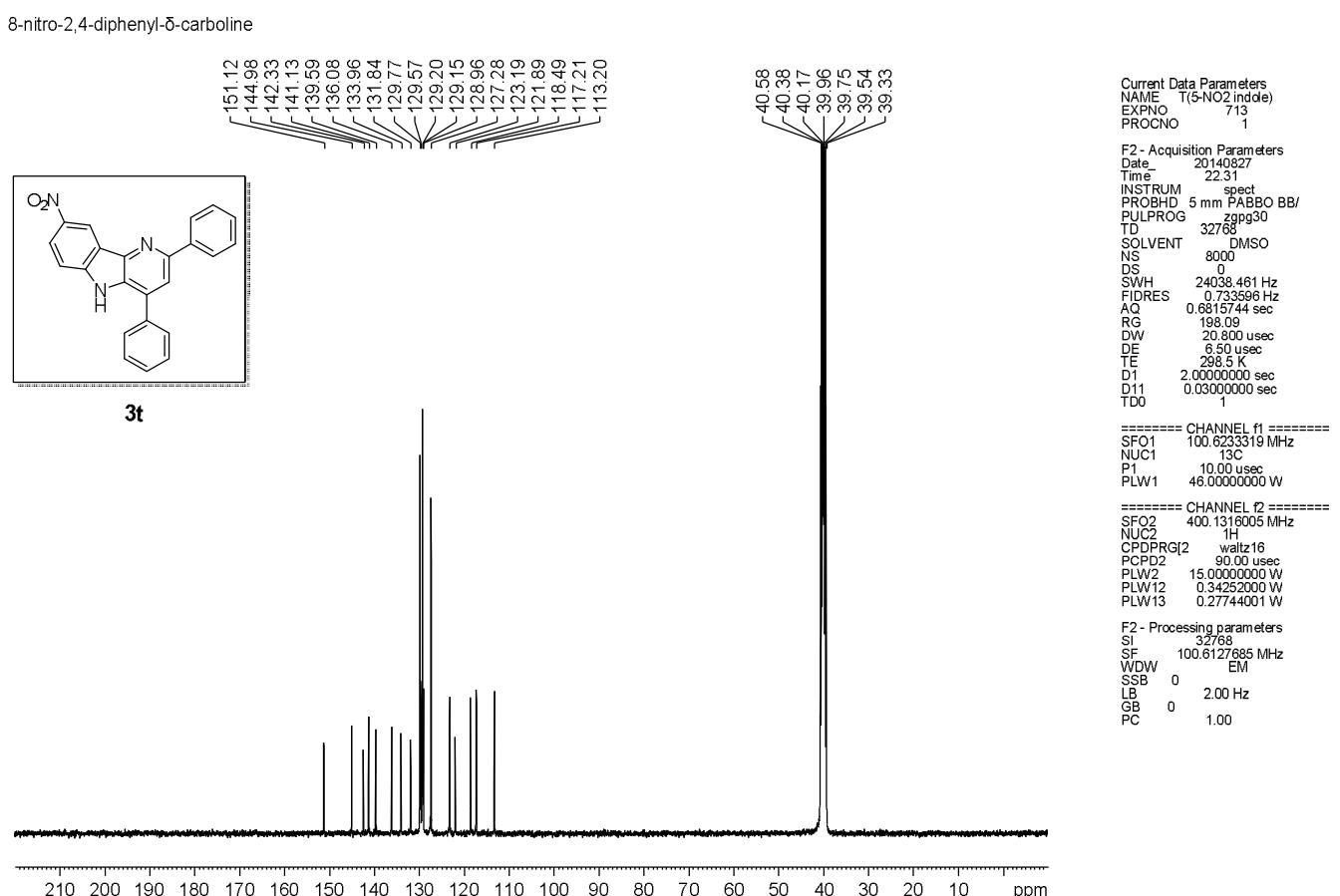
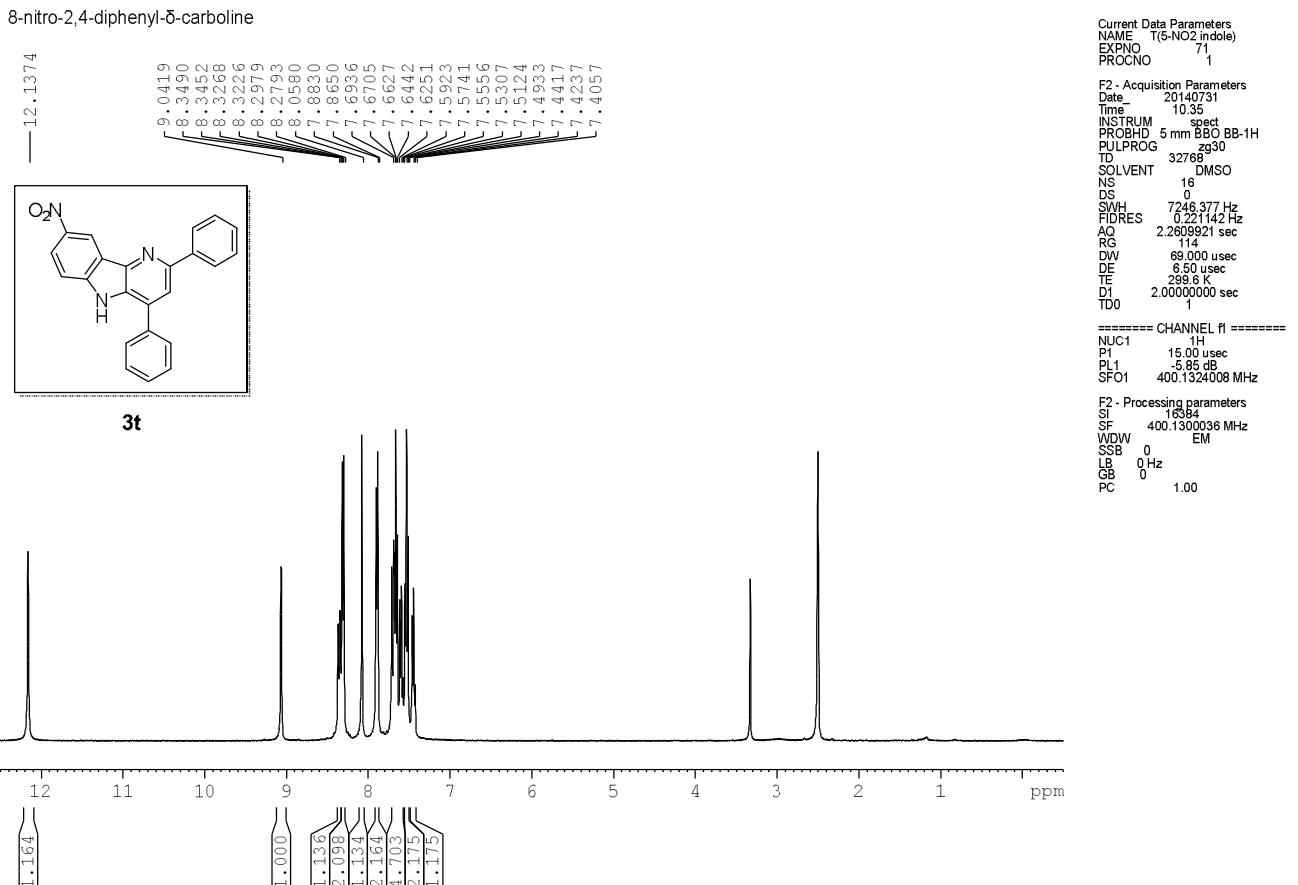


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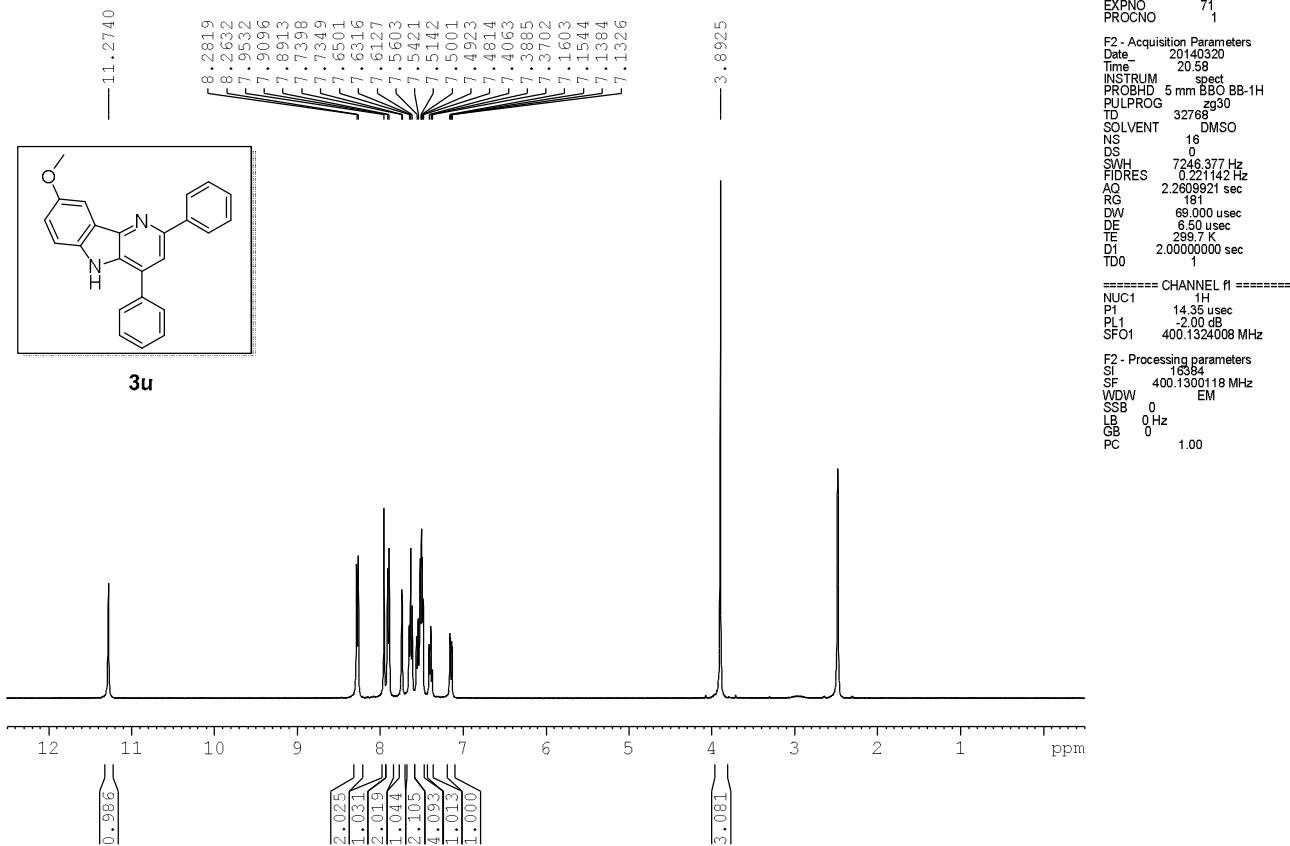


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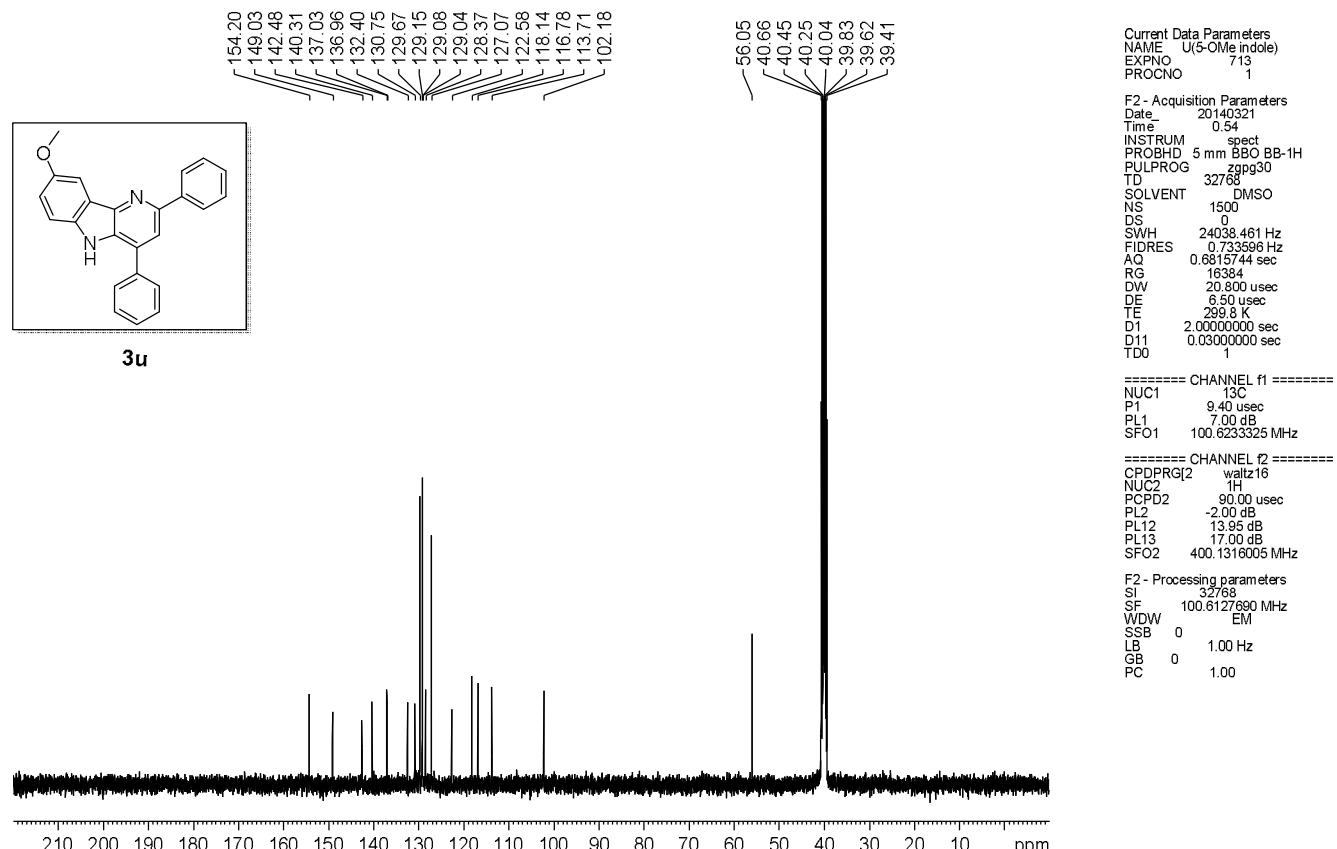




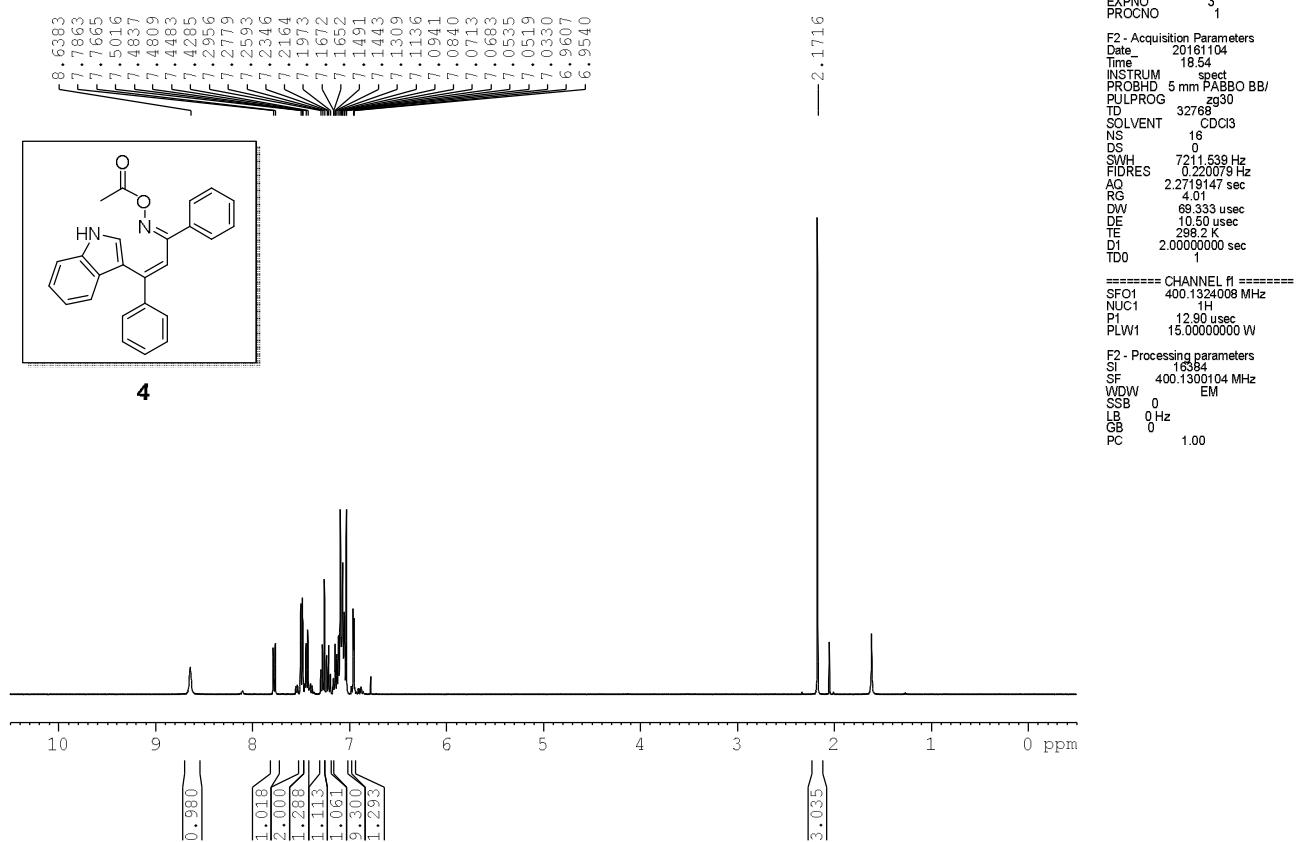
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8-methoxy-2,4-diphenyl-δ-carboline



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