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## Supporting Information

# Heterogeneous cobalt catalysts for selective oxygenation of alcohols to aldehydes, esters and nitriles

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## Experimental section

### General Methods and Reagents

All reagents were purchased from Aladdin Reagent Company, Sigma-Aldrich Company and Alfa-Aesar Company and used without further purification.  $^1\text{H-NMR}$  spectra were measured with a Bruker AVANCE 400D spectrometer in  $\text{CDCl}_3$  using tetramethylsilane (TMS) as internal reference. X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy (XPS) data were obtained with an ESCALab220i-XL electron spectrometer from VG Scientific using 300 W AlKa radiations. X-ray diffraction (XRD) patterns were collected on the Bruker D8 Advance powder diffractometer using Ni-filtered Cu K $\alpha$  radiation source at 40 Kv and 20 mA, from 5°C to 80°C with a scan rate of 0.5 °C/min. The base pressure was about  $3 \times 10^{-9}$  mbar. SEM images were performed on a HITACHI S-4800 field-emission scanning electron microscope and TEM images were obtained using a JEOL JEM-2010 (200 kV) TEM instrument. BET surface areas were measured at the temperature of liquid nitrogen using a Micromeritics ASAP2010 analyzer. The samples were degassed at 150 °C to vacuum of  $10^{-3}$  Torr before analysis. The amount of Co was measured using a Jarrell-Ash 1100 ICP-AES spectrometer (Inductively Coupled Plasma-Atomic Emission Spectrometry).

### The synthesis of [MCNIm]Cl

The ionic liquid [MCNIm]Cl was synthesized as following:



A mixture of 1-methylimidazole (8.21 g, 100 mmol) and  $\text{ClCH}_2\text{CN}$  (9.06 g, 120 mmol) was stirred at room temperature for 24 hours, the solid could be formed in the process of reaction. The formed solid was then washed with diethyl ether ( $3 \times 50$  mL) and dried under vacuum for 24 hours. Finally, the [MCNIm]Cl was synthesized with 96% yield (15.1 g).

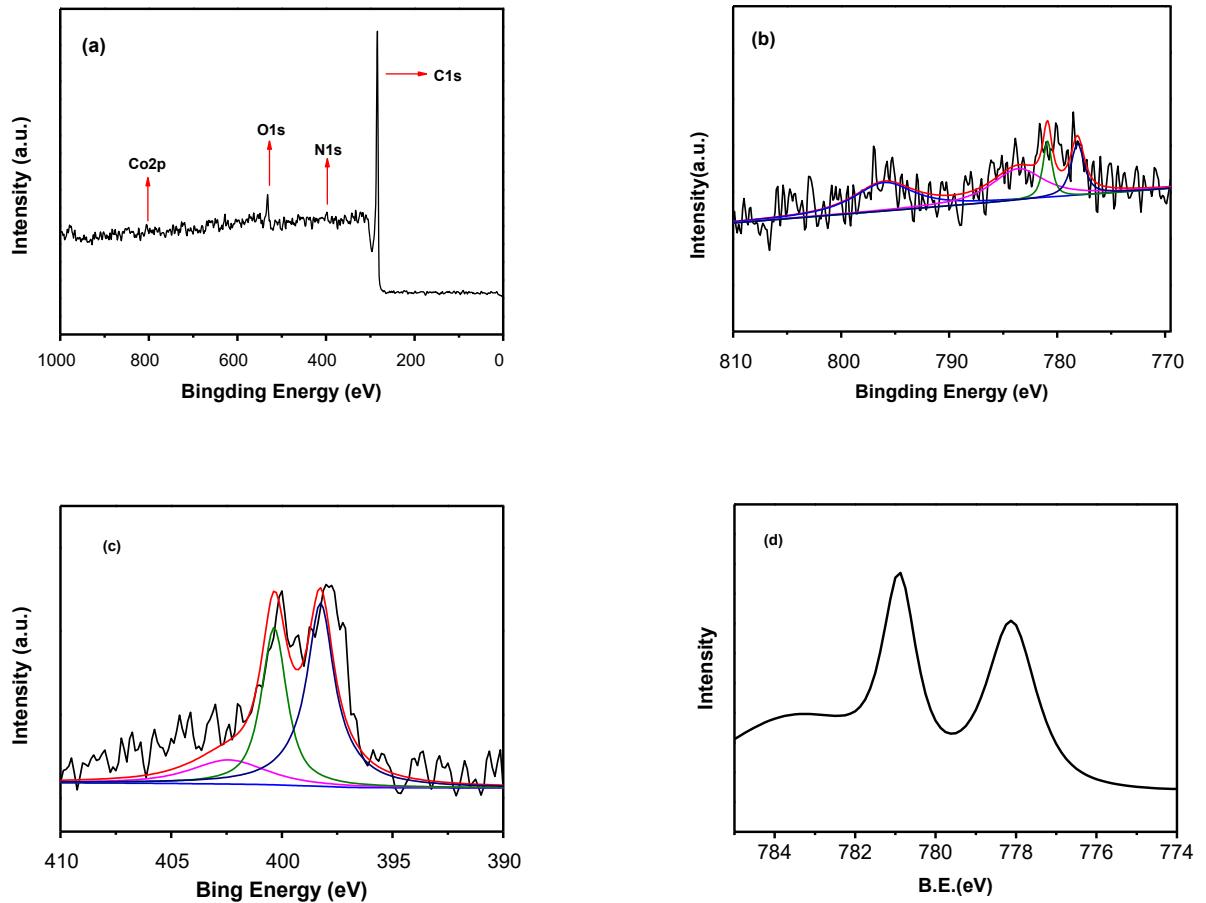
### Procedure for the preparation of the Co@NC catalyst

The typical procedure for the preparation of the catalysts is described as follows: A mixture of  $\text{Co(OAc)}_2 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (0.249 g, 1.0 mmol) and [MCNIm]Cl (0.772 g, 3.0 mmol) in methanol was stirred for 30 minutes at room temperature. Then, the activated carbon powder (0.75 g) was added and the whole reaction mixture was stirred at 50 °C for 5 hours. The reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and methanol was removed slowly under vacuum. The remaining solid sample obtained was dried at 60 °C for 12 hours. The dried sample was grinded to a powder. Then, the grinded powder was pyrolyzed at 500 °C -800 °C for 2-3 hours under nitrogen atmosphere. The Co@NC (800-2h) catalyst was pyrolyzed at 800 °C for 2 hours.

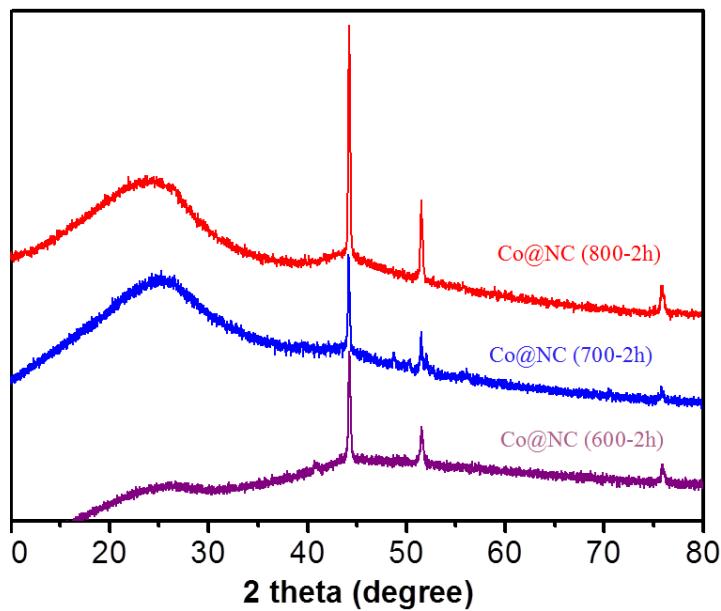
ICP-AES analysis of Co@NC (800-2h): Co = 5.95

XPS data of Co@NC (800-2h) (Atom%): C = 92.47, N = 2.86, O = 4.28, Co = 0.39

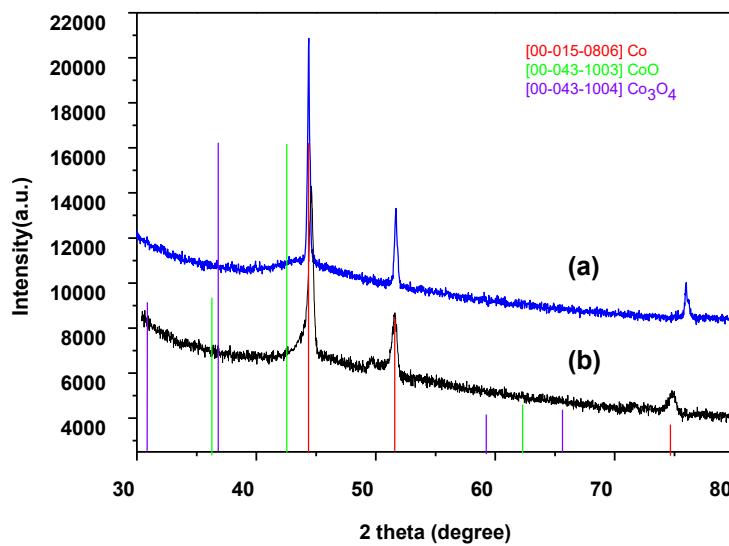
## Characterization of the Co@NC (800-2h) catalyst



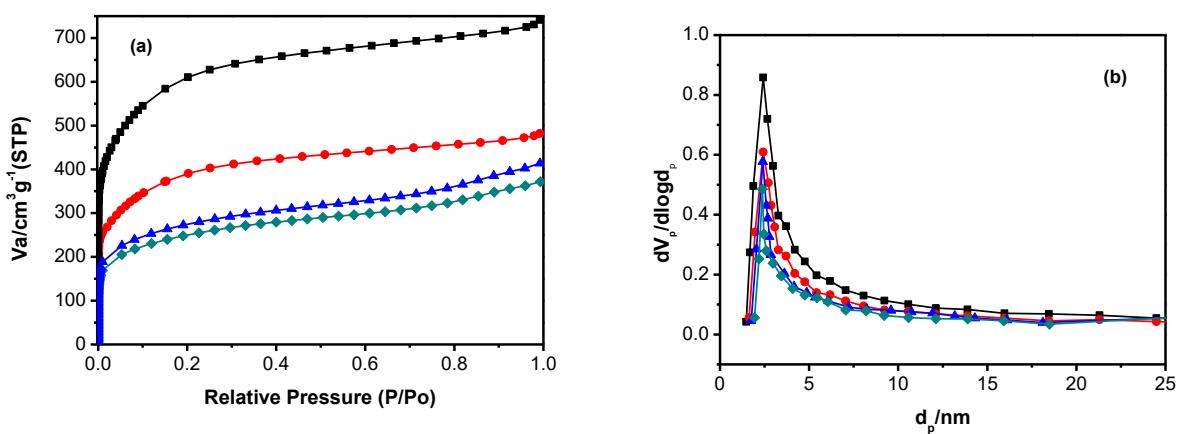
**Figure S1.** (a) XPS survey spectrum for Co@NC (800-2h). High-resolution XPS survey spectra of (b) Co 2p:780.91 eV is CoO, 778.12 eV is Co and (c) N 1s for Co@NC (800-2h):398.3 eV is pyridine-type nitrogen, 400.4 eV is pyrrole-type nitrogen,402.4 eV is carbon nitrogen. (d) A close look at the XPS spectrum of Co 2p in Co@NC (800-2h).



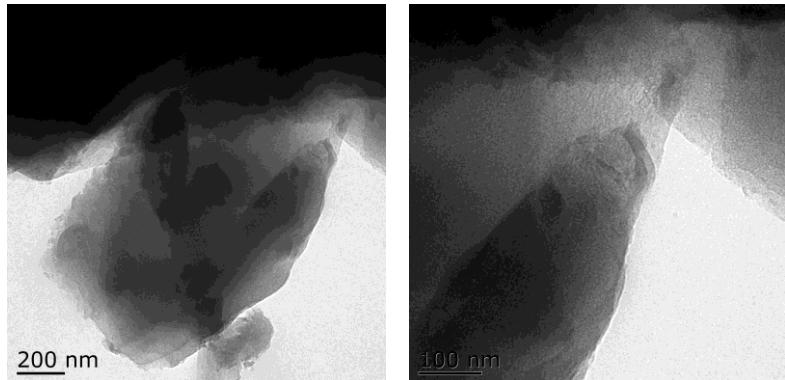
**Figure S2A.** XRD powder pattern of the active cobalt catalyst. The powder XRD patterns show weak broad peak at  $\sim 25^\circ$  assigned to carbon from the organic moiety and three sharp characteristic peaks for metallic  $\beta$ -Co at  $2\theta = 44.38^\circ$  (111),  $51.60^\circ$  (200) and  $75.68^\circ$  (220) (associated with standard JCPDS card no. 00-043-0806), while no peak assignable to CoO (standard JCPDS card no.00-071-1178) or  $\text{Co}_3\text{O}_4$  species.



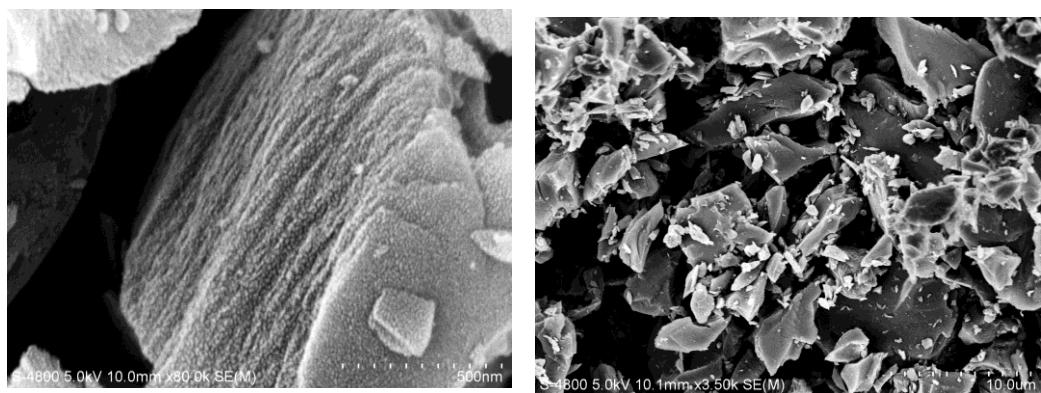
**Figure S2B.** The peak locations of Co@NC(800-2h) comparing with standard of Co/CoO/Co<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub> :(a) Co@NC(800-2h), (b) recycled Co@NC (800-2h).



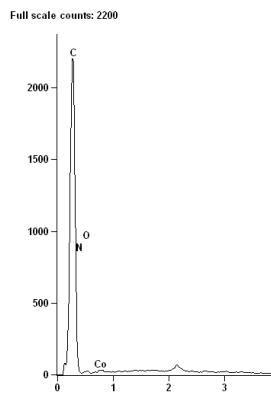
**Figure S3.** Nitrogen adsorption-desorption isotherms at 77 K (a) and corresponding pore size distribution curves (b) of AC(■), Co@NC (800) (●), Co@NC (700) (▲), and Co@NC (600) (◆).



**Figure S4.** TEM images for Co@NC (800-2h).



**Figure S5.** SEM images for Co@NC (800-2h)



Element Line	Weight %	Atom %
C K	85.84	89.05
N K	11.05	9.83
O K	0.80	0.63
CoK	2.3	0.49

**Figure S6.** EDX analysis for the Co@NC (800-2h)

#### Typical procedure for oxidative esterification of benzyl alcohol with methanol over Co catalyst (Table 1)

Benzyl alcohol (1.0 mmol), methanol (4.0 mL),  $K_2CO_3$  (0.2 mmol) and Co catalyst containing Co 3.0 mol % were added into the oven dried Schlenk tube. Then, the Schlenk tube was evacuated, refilled with 1 bar  $O_2$  and closed with septum. The Schlenk tube was stirred under 1 bar of  $O_2$  at 60 °C for 20 h. After the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature, the sample was analyzed by GC.

#### Typical procedure for the oxidative esterification of alcohols with methanol (Table 2)

Alcohols (1.0 mmol), methanol (4.0 mL),  $K_2CO_3$  (0.2 mmol) and Co@NC(800-2h) catalyst containing Co 3.0 mol % were added into a Schlenk tube. Then, the Schlenk tube was evacuated, refilled with 1 bar  $O_2$  and closed with septum. The Schlenk tube was stirred under 1 bar of  $O_2$  at 60 °C for 20 h. After the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature, the catalyst was separated and a sample of the liquid mixture was subjected to GC for analysis. The pure product was obtained by flash column chromatography (hexane and ethyl acetate).

#### Typical procedure for the oxygenation of alcohols to aldehydes (Table 3)

Alcohols (1.0 mmol), ethanol (2.0 mL), and Co@NC(800-2h) catalyst containing Co 5.0 mol % were added into a Schlenk tube. Then, the Schlenk tube was evacuated, refilled with 1 bar  $O_2$  and closed with septum. The Schlenk tube was stirred under 1 bar of  $O_2$  at 80 °C for 30 h. After the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature, the catalyst was separated and a sample of the liquid mixture was subjected to GC for analysis (comparing with the commercial products). The pure product was obtained by flash column chromatography (hexane and ethyl acetate).

#### Typical procedure for the ammonoxidation of alcohols to nitriles (Table 4)

Reactions were performed in a 30 mL stainless steel autoclave equipped with a stirring bar. Alcohols (1.0 mmol), *t*-amyl alcohol (2.0 mL), 200  $\mu$ L of aq.  $NH_3$  (30%  $NH_3$  basis) and Co@NC(800-2h) catalyst containing Co 5.0 mol % were added into the autoclave. Then, the

autoclave was purged with O<sub>2</sub> three times, and pressurized to 5 bar O<sub>2</sub> and heated to 130 °C for 24 h. After the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature, the catalyst was separated and a sample of the liquid mixture was subjected to GC for analysis (comparing with the commercial products). The pure product was obtained by flash column chromatography (hexane and ethyl acetate).

## Recycling Procedure

### Oxidative esterification of alcohols with methanol

Benzyl alcohol (1.0 mmol), methanol (4.0 mL), K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (0.2 mmol) and Co catalyst containing Co 3.0 mol % were added into the oven dried Schlenk tube. Then, the Schlenk tube was evacuated, refilled with 1 bar O<sub>2</sub> and closed with septum. The Schlenk tube was stirred under 1 bar of O<sub>2</sub> at 60 °C for 20 h. After the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature, the sample was analyzed by GC. The catalyst Co@NC (800-2h) was separated and washed with methanol. The recovered Co@NC (800-2h) was used again for the reaction under the same action conditions.

### Oxygenation of alcohols to aldehydes

Benzyl alcohol (1.0 mmol), **ethanol** (2.0 mL), and Co@NC(800-2h) catalyst containing Co 5.0 mol % were added into the oven dried Schlenk tube. Then, the Schlenk tube was evacuated, refilled with 1 bar O<sub>2</sub> and closed with septum. The Schlenk tube was stirred under 1 bar of O<sub>2</sub> at 80 °C for 30 h. After the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature, the sample was analyzed by GC. The catalyst Co@NC (800-2h) was separated and washed with ethanol. The recovered Co@NC (800-2h) was used again for the reaction under the same action conditions.

### Ammoxidation of alcohols to nitriles

Reactions were performed in a 30 mL stainless steel autoclave equipped with a stirring bar. Benzyl alcohol (1.0 mmol), **t**-amyl alcohol (2.0 mL), 200 µl of aq. NH<sub>3</sub> (30% NH<sub>3</sub> basis) and Co@NC(800-2h) catalyst containing Co 5.0 mol % were added into the autoclave. Then, the autoclave was purged with O<sub>2</sub> three times, and pressurized to 5 bar O<sub>2</sub> and heated to 130 °C for 24 h. After the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature, the sample was analyzed by GC. The catalyst Co@NC (800-2h) was separated and washed with *t*-amyl alcohol. The recovered Co@NC (800-2h) was used again for the reaction under the same action conditions.

## The product data.

Methyl benzoate (Table 2, entry 1)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 3.92 (s, 3H), 7.44 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.56 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 8.04 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 167.0, 132.7, 130.0, 129.4, 128.2, 51.9.

K. J. Jong, P. Y. Dae, K. D. Heon, K. Y. Jin, K. H. Kyun, L. S. Gyeong, C. S. Dong, L. W. Song, Y. Y. Jin, *Bull. Korean Chem. Soc.* **2004**, 25, 501-505.

Methyl-4-methoxybenzoate (Table 2, entry 2)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 3.70-4.09 (m, 6H), 6.93 (d, J = 8.7Hz, 2H), 8.01 (d, J = 8.7Hz, 2H) ; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 166.8, 163.5, 131.6, 122.8, 113.7, 55.4, 51.7.

T. Mamoru, Y. Ken, S. Toshiaki, C. Naoto, *Chem. Commun.* **2011**, 47, 2946-2948.

Methyl-3-methoxybenzoate (Table 2, entry 3)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 3.90 (d, J = 26.0Hz, 6H), 7.11 (t, J = 1.9Hz, 1H), 7.36 (t, J = 7.8Hz, 1H), 7.63 (t, J = 26.6Hz, 2H) ; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 167.8, 160.4, 132.2, 130.2, 122.8, 120.3, 114.8, 56.2, 52.9.

T. Mamoru, Y. Ken, S. Toshiaki, C. Naoto, *Chem. Commun.* **2011**, 47, 2946-2948.

Methyl 4-methylbenzoate (Table 2, entry 4)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 2.45 (s, 3H), 3.95 (d, J = 4.1Hz, 3H), 7.27 (d, J = 6.4Hz, 2H), 7.80-7.98 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 167.1, 143.5, 129.6, 129.1, 127.5, 51.9, 21.6.

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Methyl 3-methylbenzoate (Table 2, entry 5)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 2.42 (s, 3H), 3.93 (s, 3H), 7.35-7.40 (m, 2H), 7.87 (t, J = 8.0Hz, 2H) ; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 167.5, 138.3, 133.9, 130.3, 130.3, 128.4, 126.9, 52.2, 21.4.

P. Koos, U. Gross, A. Polyzos, M. O'Brien, I. Baxendale, S. V. Ley, *Org. Biomol. Chem.* **2011**, 9, 6903-6908.

Methyl 2-methylbenzoate (Table 2, entry 6)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 2.63 (s, 3H), 3.92 (s, 3H), 7.25 (d, J = 6.0Hz, 2H), 7.42 (t, J = 7.4Hz, 1H), 7.93 (d, J = 7.7Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 167.7, 139.9, 131.7, 131.4, 130.3, 129.2, 125.4, 51.5, 21.5.

W. X. Feng, C. Darcelli, *Eur. J. Org. Chem.* **2009**, 8, 1144-1147.

Methyl 4-nitrobenzoate (Table 2, entry 7)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 3.98 (s, 3H), 8.24 (s, 4H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 165.4, 150.7, 135.7, 130.9, 123.7, 53.0.

W. J. Eun, K. H. Kyun, K. J. Jong, Y. H. Seup, K. M.Jung, K. S. Beom, C. H. A., L. S. Gyeong, Y. Y. Jin, *Tetrahedron* **2007**, 63, 12720–12730.

Methyl 4-fluorobenzoate (Table 2, entry 8)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 3.95 (s, 3H), 7.12-7.17 (m, 2H), 8.07-8.11 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75

MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 166.3, 166.0, 132.3, 126.6, 115.7, 52.4.

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Methyl 4-chlorobenzoate (Table 2, entry 9)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 3.93 (t, J = 7.5Hz, 3H), 7.43 (d, J = 8.5Hz, 2H), 7.99 (d, J = 8.5Hz, 2H);

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 166.5, 139.6, 131.2, 128.9, 52.5.

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Methyl 4-bromobenzoate (Table 2, entry 10)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 3.94 (t, J = 8.3Hz, 3H) 7.60 (d, J = 8.2Hz, 2H), 7.92 (d, J = 8.2Hz, 2H);

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 166.5, 132.0, 131.3, 129.3, 128.3, 52.7.

R, Lerebours,C. Wolf, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2006**, *128*, 13052-13053 .

Methyl 2-fluorobenzoate (Table 2, entry 11)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 3.96 (t, J = 7.6Hz, 3H), 7.14-7.25 (m, 2H), 7.52-7.57 (m, 1H), 7.94-7.98 (m, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 164.9, 163.0, 160.9, 134.5, 132.2, 124.0, 118.7, 117.0, 77.3, 52.3.

V. L. Rendina, J. S. Kingsbury, *J. Org. Chem.* **2012**, *77*, 1181-1185.

Methyl 2-chlorobenzoate (Table 2, entry 12)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 3.97 (s, 3H), 7.31-7.36 (m, 1H), 7.43-7.50 (m, 2H), 7.85-7.87 (m, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 166.1, 133.6, 132.4, 131.3, 131.0, 30.1, 126.5, 52.3.

P. Dawar, M. B. Raju, R. A. Ramakrishna, *Tetrahedron Letters* **2011**, *52*, 4262-4265.

Methyl 2-bromobenzoate (Table 2, entry 13)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 3.95 (t, J = 7.8Hz, 3H), 7.29-7.39 (m, 2H), 7.68 (d, J = 7.3Hz, 1H), 7.80 (d, J = 5.5Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 166.6, 134.3, 132.5, 132.2, 131.3, 127.1, 121.6, 52.4.

H. Shin-ichi; N. Tomoya, T. Norihiro, M. Tsuyoshi, I. Akichika, *Org. Lett.* **2010**, *12*, 3645-3647.

Methyl 3,4-methylenedioxybenzoate (Table 2, entry 14)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 3.92 (s, 3H), 6.07 (s, 2H), 6.87 (d, J = 8.2Hz, 1H), 7.51 (d, J = 1.5H, 1H), 7.68-7.70 (m, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 166.7, 153.2, 146.8, 125.1, 124.7, 109.3, 108.2, 101.0, 52.5.

J. Wielens, S. J. Headey, J. J. Deadman, D. I. Rhodes, M. W. Parker, D. K. Chalmers, M. J. Scanlon, *ChemMedChem* **2011**, *6*, 258-261.

Methyl 1-naphthalenecarboxylate (Table 2, entry 15)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 4.04 (s, 3H), 7.51-7.67 (m, 3H), 7.91 (d, J = 8.0Hz, 1H), 8.05 (d, J = 8.1Hz, 1H), 8.22 (d, J = 7.0Hz, 1H), 8.94 (d, J = 8.6Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 168.5, 134.1, 133.7, 131.6, 130.5, 128.8, 128.4, 127.5, 126.1, 124.8, 52.4.

H. Shin-ichi; N. Tomoya, T. Norihiro, M. Tsuyoshi, I. Akichika, *Org. Lett.* **2010**, *12*, 3645-3647.

Methyl 3-phenyl-2-propenoate (Table 2, entry 16)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 3.83 (s, 3H), 6.47 (d, J = 16.1Hz, 1H), 7.41 (d, J = 2.8Hz, 3H), 7.54 (s, 2H), 7.72 (d, J = 16.0Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 168.0, 145.3, 134.8, 130.7, 129.3, 128.5, 118.2, 52.2.

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#### Methyl 2-furancarboxylate (Table 2, entry 17)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 3.91 (s, 3H), 6.46-6.58 (m, 1H), 7.20 (d, J = 32.2Hz, 1H), 7.58 (d, J = 7.9Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 159.4, 146.5, 144.8, 118.2, 112.1, 52.1.

C. Liu, J. Wang, L. k. Meng, Y. Deng, Y. Li, A. W. Lei, *Angew. Chem., Int. Ed.* **2011**, *50*, 5144-5148.

#### Methyl 3-pyridinecarboxylate (Table 2, entry 18)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 3.96 (s, 3H), 7.14-7.25 (m, 2H), 7.52-7.57 (m, 1H), 7.94-7.98 (m, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 165.6, 153.3, 150.8, 136.9, 125.9, 123.2, 52.3.

K. Luba, G. Dmitri, R. B. Karola, *J. Org. Chem.* **2010**, *69*, 260–266.

#### Methyl 2-pyridinecarboxylate (Table 2, entry 19)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 4.03 (s, 3H), 7.54 (t, J = 5.0Hz, 1H), 7.90 (t, J= 8.0Hz, 1H), 8.17 (d, J = 7.8Hz, 1H), 8.79 (d, J = 4.5Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 165.6, 149.7, 147.9, 137.2, 127.1, 125.8, 52.7.

H. Shin-ichi; N. Tomoya, T. Norihiro, M. Tsuyoshi, I. Akichika, *Org. Lett.* **2010**, *12*, 3645-3647.

#### Benzaldehyde (Table 3, entry 1)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.54 (t, J = 7.6Hz, 2H), 7.64 (t, J = 7.5Hz, 1H), 7.90 (d, J = 6.8Hz, 2H), 10.03 (s, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 192.3, 135.5, 133.3, 128.6, 128.0.

L. Masataka, M. Katsuhiko, T. Hideo, *Tetrahedron* **2013**, *69*, 2961-2970.

#### 4-Methylbenzaldehyde (Table 3, entry 2)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 2.47 (s, 3H), 7.36 (d, J = 8.0Hz, 2H), 7.80 (d, J = 8.1Hz, 2H), 9.99 (s, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 125 MHz): δ 191.9, 145.5, 134.1, 129.8, 129.6, 21.2.

B. Jiang, S. J. Tu, P. Kaur, W. Wever, G. G. Li, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2009**, *131*, 11660-11661.

#### 3-Methylbenzaldehyde (Table 3, entry 3)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 2.43 (s, 3H), 7.40-7.45 (m, 2H), 7.68 (d, J = 6.4Hz, 2H), 9.99 (s, 1H) ; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 125 MHz): δ 192.1, 139.1, 135.5, 130.0, 129.2, 21.3.

H. Takuya, O. Masato, K. Taichi, M. Keiji, *Org. Lett.* **2007**, *9*, 4805-4808.

#### 4-Nitrobenzaldehyde (Table 3, entry 4)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 8.11 (d, J = 8.7Hz, 2H), 8.42 (d, J = 8.6Hz, 2H), 10.20 (s, 1H) ; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 190.3, 151.1, 139.9, 130.4, 124.2.

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#### 4-F1uorobenzaldehyde (Table 3, entry 5)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.23 (t, J = 8.6Hz, 2H), 7.92-7.95 (m, 2H), 9.99 (s, 1H) ; <sup>13</sup>C NMR

(100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 192.3, 167.3, 138.1, 133.2, 129.6.

F. Takeru, K. H. Martin, R. Tobias, *Angew. Chem., Int. Ed.* **2008**, 47, 5993-5996.

#### 4-Chlorobenzaldehyde (Table 3, entry 6)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.53 (d, J = 10.2Hz, 2H), 7.84 (d, J = 8.4Hz, 2H), 10.01 (s, 1H) ; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 190.3, 140.3, 134.1, 130.2, 128.9.

L. Masataka, M. Katsuhiko, T. Hideo, *Tetrahedron* **2013**, 69, 2961-2970.

#### 4-Bromobenzaldehyde (Table 3, entry 7)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.71 (d, J = 8.4Hz, 2H), 7.77 (d, J = 1.7Hz, 2H), 10.01 (s, 1H) ; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 191.0, 135.1, 132.4, 130.9, 129.7.

L. Masataka, M. Katsuhiko, T. Hideo, *Tetrahedron* **2013**, 69, 2961-2970.

#### 4-Methoxybenzaldehyde (Table 3, entry 8)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 3.88 (s, 3H), 7.00 (d, J = 8.8Hz, 2H), 7.82-7.85 (m, 2H), 9.88 (s, 1H) ; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 190.7, 164.5, 131.9, 129.9, 114.2, 55.5.

L. Masataka, M. Katsuhiko, T. Hideo, *Tetrahedron* **2013**, 69, 2961-2970.

#### 2-Methoxybenzaldehyde (Table 3, entry 9)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 3.93 (s, 3H), 6.99 (m, 2H), 7.54-7.82 (m, 1H), 7.83 (d, J = 1.8Hz, 1H), 10.48 (s, 1H) ; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 192.2, 160.2, 137.9, 130.1, 123.6, 121.6, 112.1, 55.6.

N. P. G. Laura, C. G. Deysi, L. R. Leticia, *Molecules* **2009**, 14, 4065-4078.

#### Benzophenone (Table 3, entry 10)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.52 (m, 4H), 7.62 (m, 2H), 7.85 (m, 4H) ; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 196.7, 137.5, 132.3, 129.9, 128.2.

L. Masataka, M. Katsuhiko, T. Hideo, *Tetrahedron* **2013**, 69, 2961-2970.

#### Cinnamaldehyde (Table 3, entry 11)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 6.72-6.77 (m, 1H), 7.44-7.52 (m, 4H), 7.58-7.60 (m, 2H), 9.73 (d, J = 7.7Hz, 1H) ; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 193.5, 152.6, 133.81, 131.1, 128.9, 128.4, 128.3.

N. Jiang, A. J. Ragauskas, *Org. Lett.* **2005**, 7, 3689–3692.

#### Furfuraldehyde (Table 3, entry 12)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 6.60-6.61 (m, 1H), 7.25 (d, J = 3.7Hz, 1H), 7.69 (t, J = 0.8Hz, 1H), 9.66 (s, 1H) ; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 177.8, 153.6, 148.1, 121.6, 113.1.

D. Alexander, *Org. Lett.* **2005**, 7, 2913-2915.

#### 2-Pyridinecarboxaldehyde (Table 3, entry 13)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.50-7.53 (m, 1H), 7.85-7.89 (m, 1H), 7.95 (d, J = 7.8Hz, 1H), 8.78 (d, J = 4.7Hz, 1H), 10.07 (s, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz): δ 193.3, 152.7, 150.2, 137.2, 128.0, 121.8.

V. Subbarayan, A. Muneer, T. Punniyamurthy, *Org. Lett.* **2004**, 6, 4821-4824.

#### Benzonitrile (Table 4, entry 1)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.42-7.61 (m, 5H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz) : δ 132.15, 131.34, 128.49, 118.12, 111.57.

E. C. Wang, K. S. Huang, H. M. Chen, C. C. Wu, G. J. Lin, *J. Chin. Chem. Soc.* **2004**, 51, 619-627.

#### 1-Cyanonaphthalene (Table 4, entry 2)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.55 (t, J = 7.4Hz, 1H), 7.64-7.67 (m, 1H), 7.71-7.74 (m, 1H), 7.93-7.96 (m, 2H), 8.10 (d, J = 8.4Hz, 1H), 8.27 (d, J = 8.4Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 133.2, 132.9, 132.6, 132.3, 128.6, 128.5, 127.5, 125.1, 124.9, 117.8, 110.1.

M. Hatsuda, M. Seki, *Tetrahedron*, **2005**, 61, 2005, 9908–9917.

#### 4-Methylbenzonitrile (Table 4, entry 3)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 2.46 (s, 3H), 7.30 (d, J = 8.0Hz, 2H), 7.57 (d, J = 8.2Hz, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz): δ 143.30, 131.50, 129.44, 118.65, 108.79, 21.29.

E. C. Wang, K. S. Huang, H. M. Chen, C. C. Wu, G. J. Lin, *J. Chin. Chem. Soc.* **2004**, 51, 619-627.

#### 3-Methylbenzonitrile (Table 4, entry 4)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 2.43 (s, 3H), 7.37-7.40 (m, 1H), 7.44 (d, J = 7.7Hz, 1H), 7.49 (d, J = 5.2Hz, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz): δ 149.2, 134.1, 132.7, 129.5, 119.3, 112.2, 20.8.

M. Takashi, K. Tomoko, S. Masanori, H. Kiminori, S. Masami, F. Tsutomu, *Heterocycles* **2011**, 83, 163-169.

#### 2-Methylbenzonitrile (Table 4, entry 5)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 2.58 (s, 3H), 7.28-7.31 (m, 1H), 7.34 (d, J = 7.8Hz, 1H), 7.49-7.53 (m, 1H), 7.61 (d, J = 7.8Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz): δ 141.9, 132.6, 132.5, 130.2, 126.2, 118.1, 112.7, 20.4.

O. Grossman, D. Gelman, *Org. Lett.* **2006**, 8 , 1189–1191.

#### 4-Nitrobenzonitrile (Table 4, entry 6)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.92 (d, J = 8.8Hz, 2H), 8.39 (d, J = 8.8Hz, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz): δ 150.2, 133.4, 124.5, 118.6, 116.3.

E. C. Wang, K. S. Huang, H. M. Chen, C. C. Wu, G. J. Lin, *J. Chin. Chem. Soc.* **2004**, 51, 619-627.

#### 4-Fluorobenzonitrile (Table 4, entry 7)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.19-7.23 (m, 2H), 7.70-7.73 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz): δ 167.6, 162.5, 134.8, 134.6, 118.0, 117.1, 116.6, 108.6, 108.5.

S. Enthaler, *Eur. J. Org. Chem.* **2011**, 25, 4760–4763.

#### 4-Chlorobenzonitrile (Table 4, entry 8)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.49 (d, J = 8.5Hz, 2H), 7.63 (d, J = 8.5Hz, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 139.6, 133.3, 130.0 , 118.0, 110.8.

M. Hatsuda, M. Seki, *Tetrahedron*, **2005**, 61, 2005, 9908–9917.

#### 4-Bromobenzonitrile (Table 4, entry 9)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.56 (d, J = 8.5Hz, 2H), 7.67 (d, J = 8.5Hz, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 133.4, 132.7, 128.1, 118.1, 111.2.

S. Enthaler, *Eur. J. Org. Chem.* **2011**, 25, 4760–4763.

#### 2-Chlorobenzonitrile (Table 4, entry 10)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.40-7.43 (m, 1H), 7.54-7.60 (m, 2H), 7.70-7.71 (m, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 136.8, 134.02, 133.96, 130.1, 116.0, 113.4.

J. T. Zhang, Z. T. Wang, Y. Wang, C. F. Wan, X. Q. Zheng, Z. Y. Wang, *Green Chem.* **2009**, 11, 1973–1978.

#### 2-Bromobenzonitrile (Table 4, entry 11)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.45-7.52 (m, 2H), 7.68-7.73 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 134.6, 134.4, 133.2, 127.6, 125.1, 117.0, 115.7.

S. Chiba, L. Zhang, G. Y. Ang, B. W. Q. Hui, *Org. Lett.* **2010**, 12, 2052–2055.

#### 4-Methoxybenzonitrile (Table 4, entry 12)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 3.89 (s, 3H), 6.98 (d, J = 8.9Hz, 2H), 7.61 (d, J = 8.9Hz, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 162.9, 134.0, 119.2, 114.8, 104.0, 55.6.

M. Hatsuda, M. Seki, *Tetrahedron*, **2005**, 61, 2005, 9908–9917.

#### 3-Methoxybenzonitrile (Table 4, entry 13)

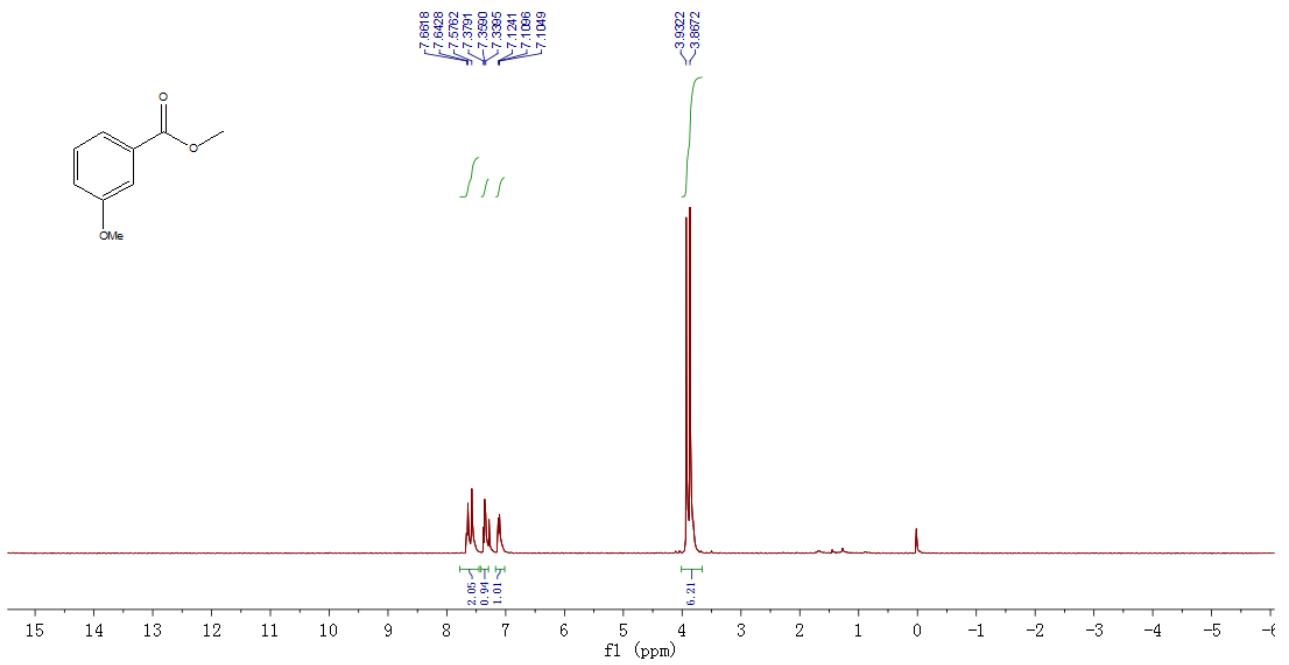
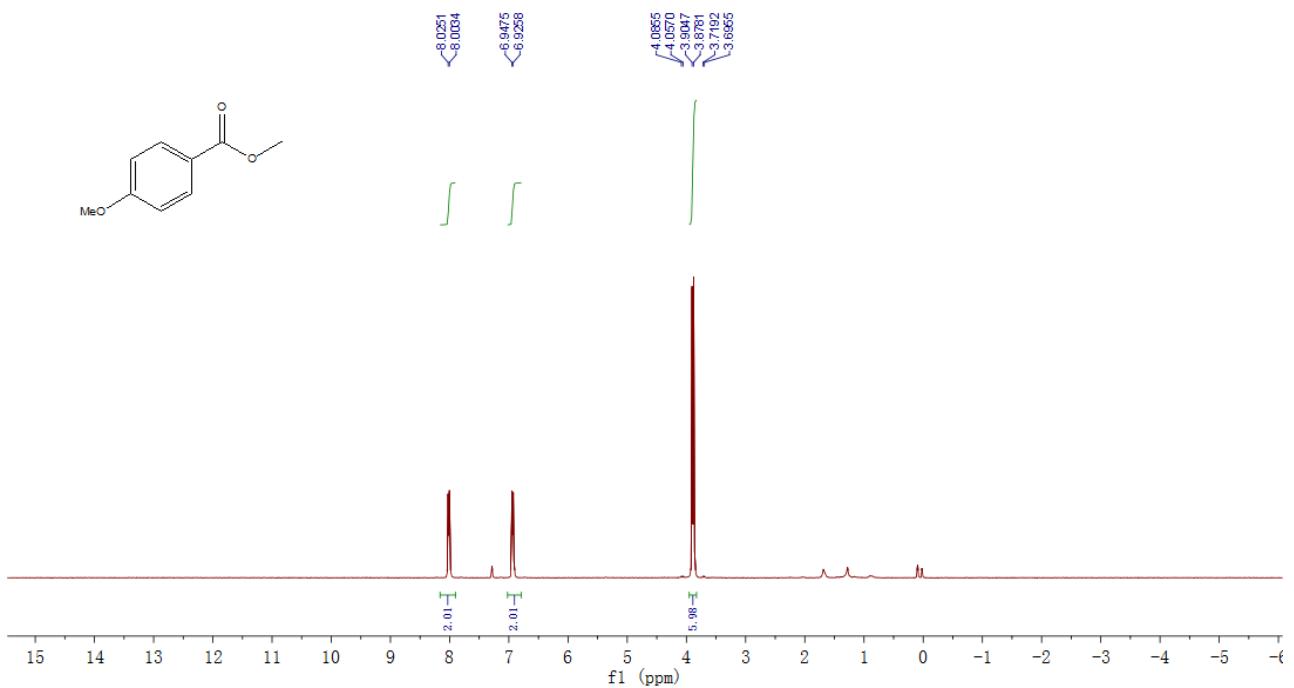
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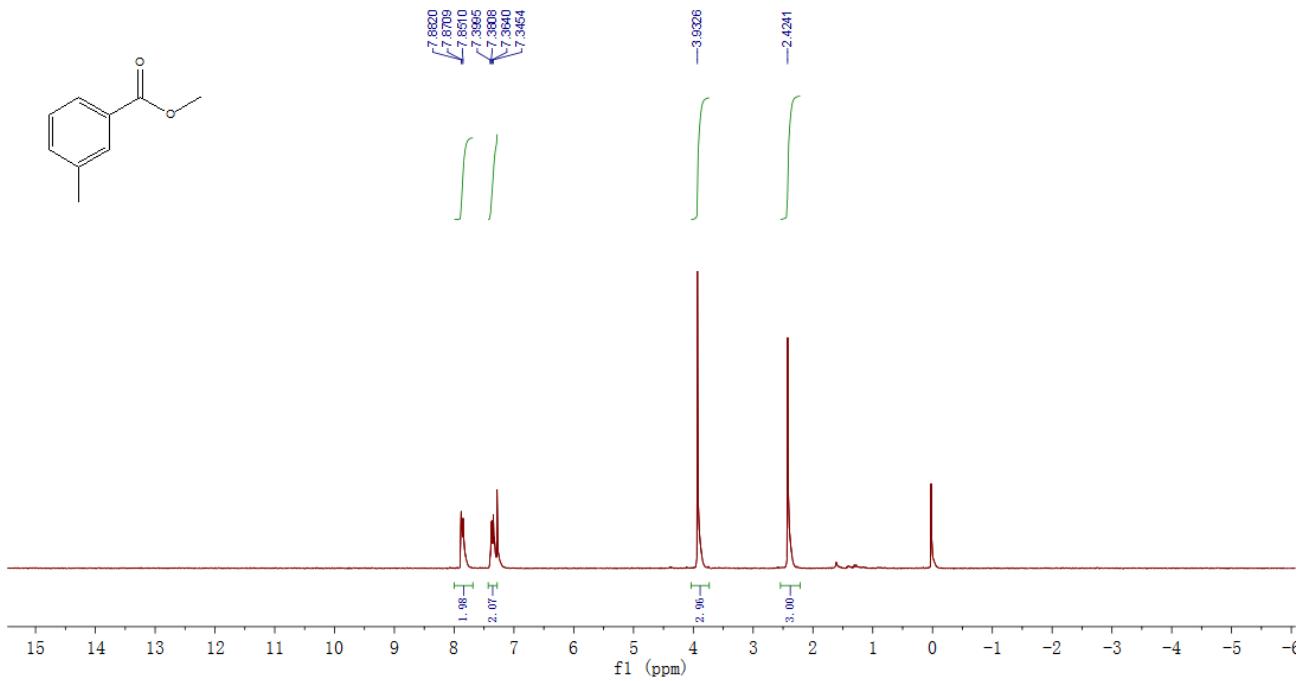
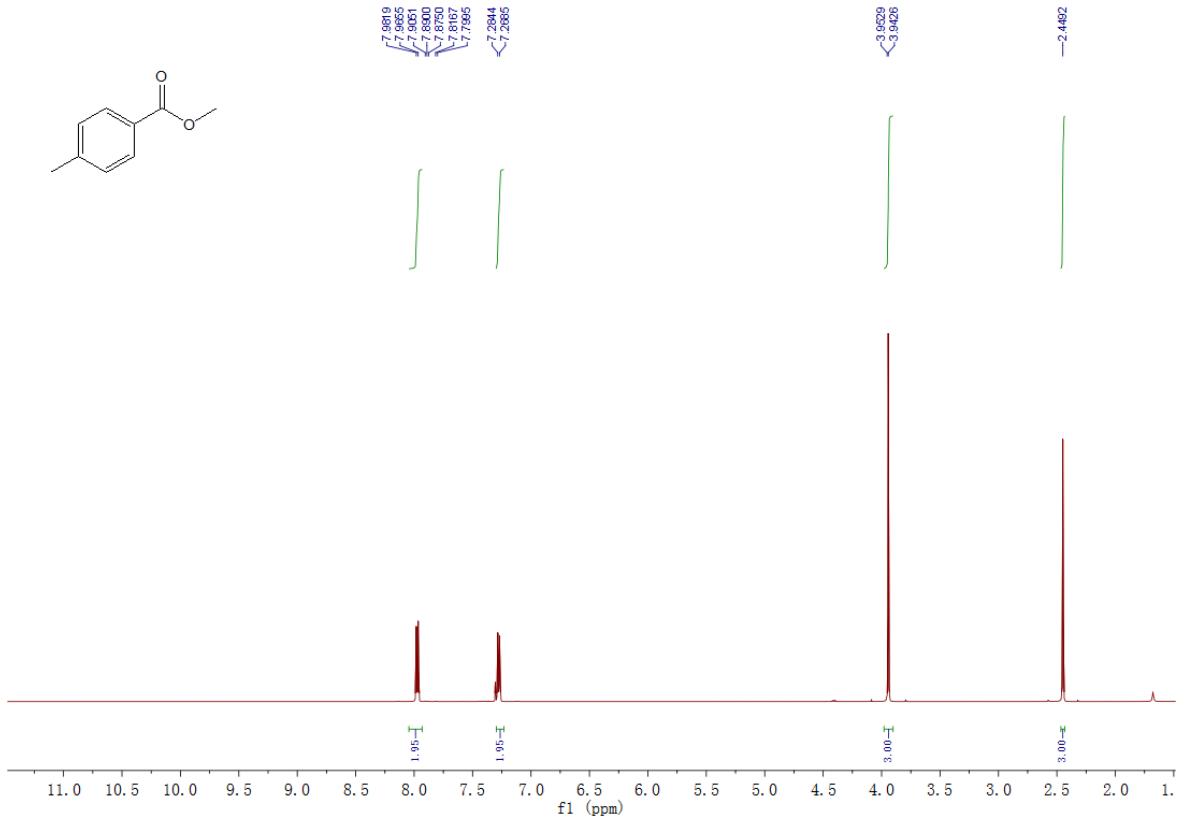
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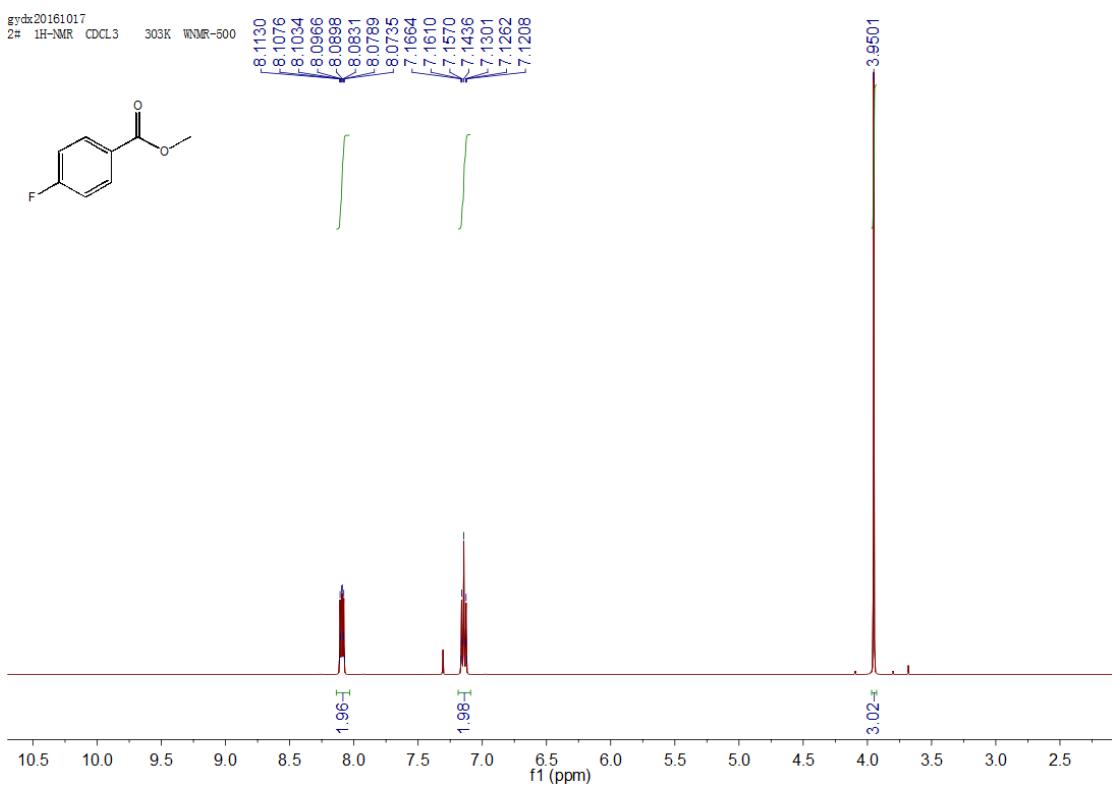
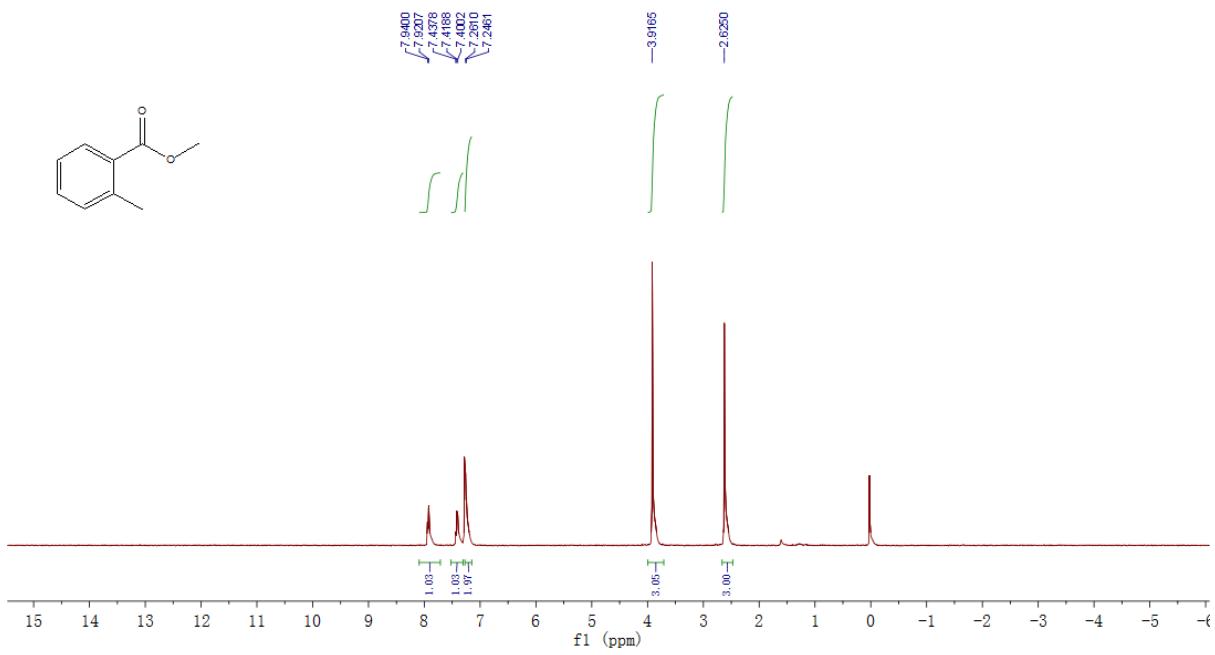
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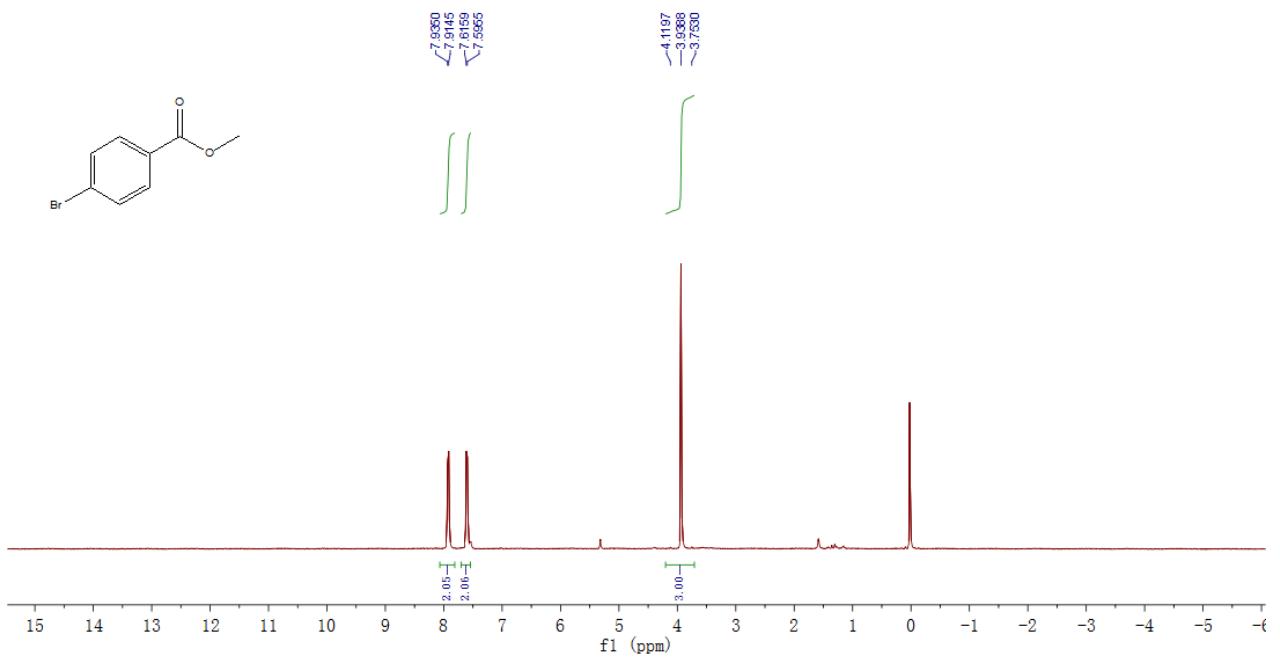
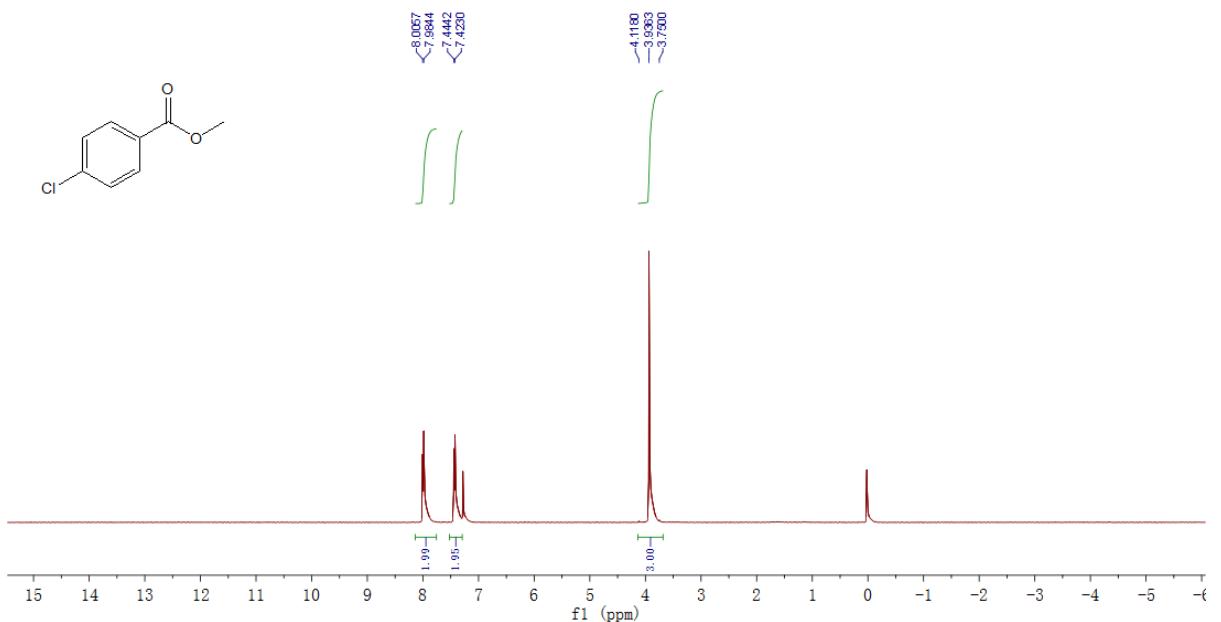
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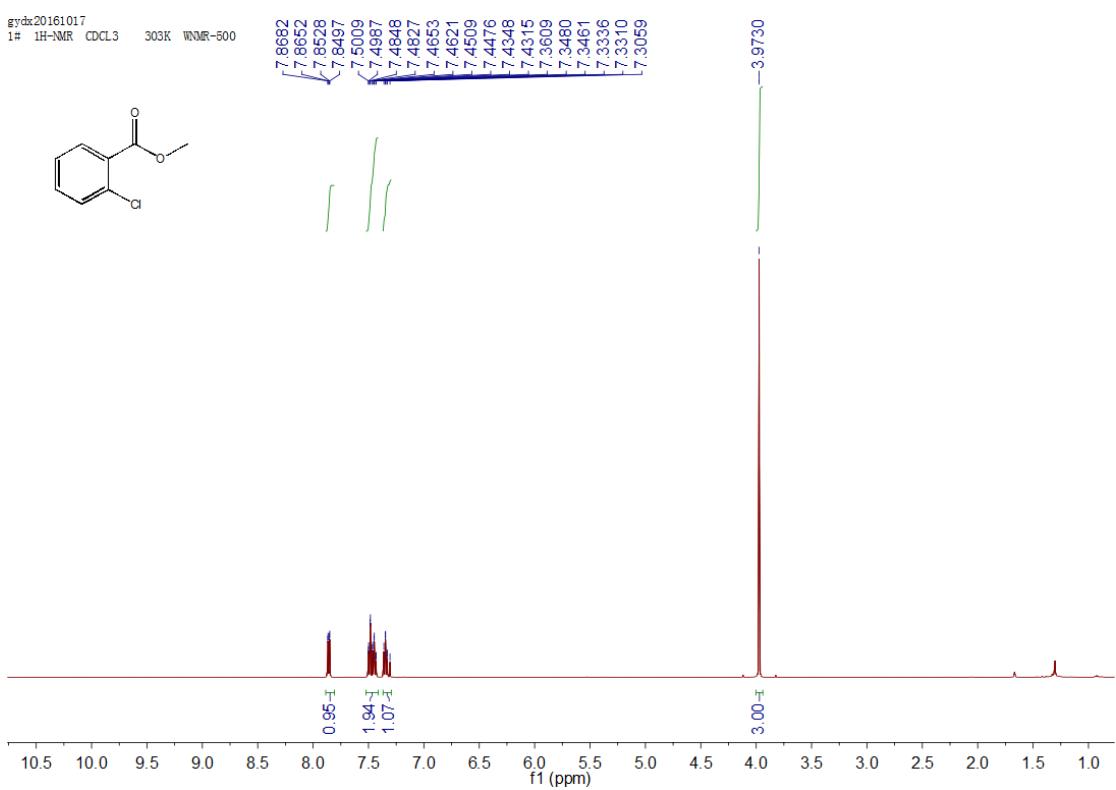
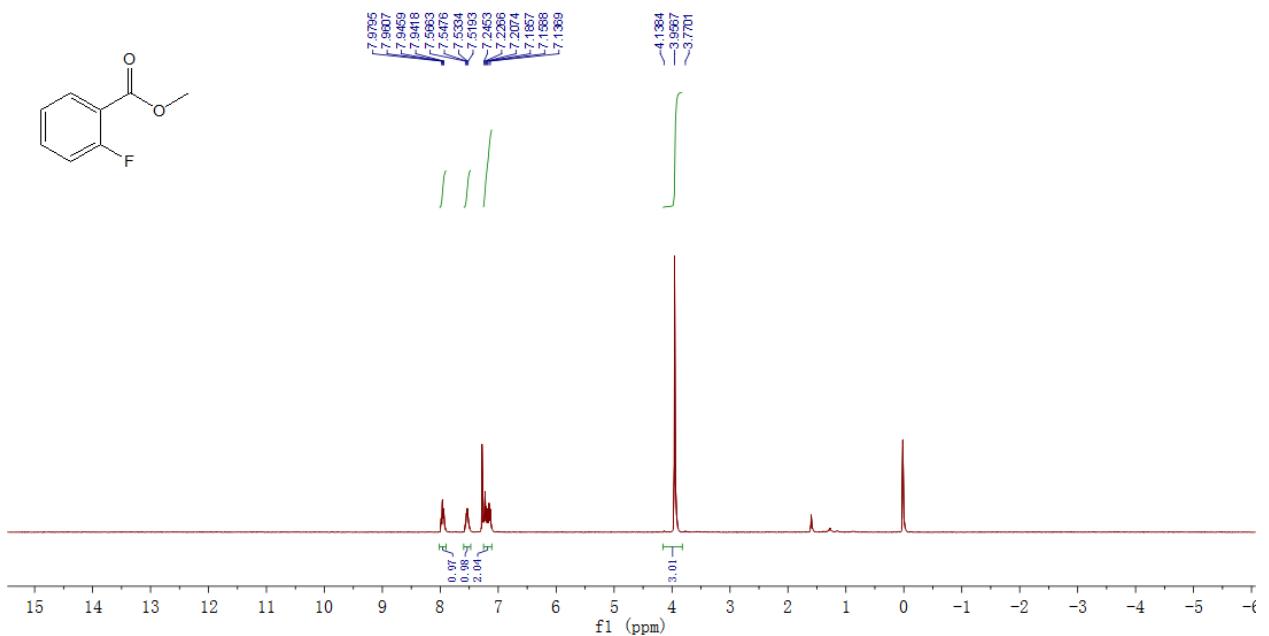
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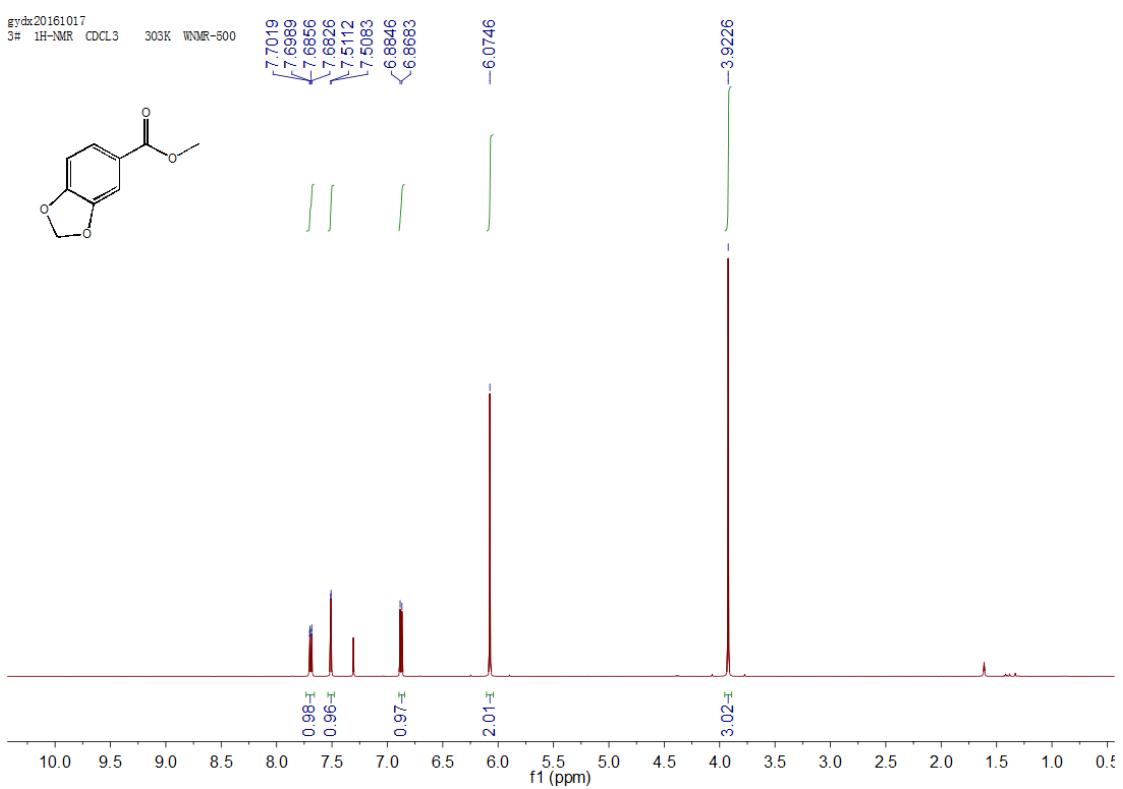
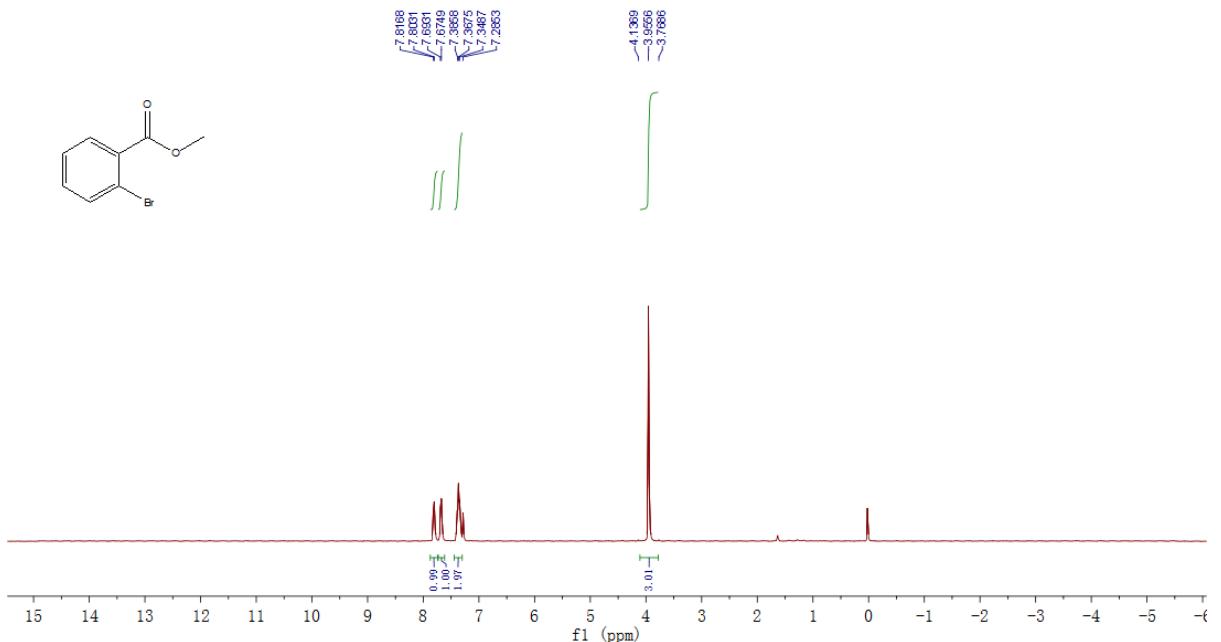


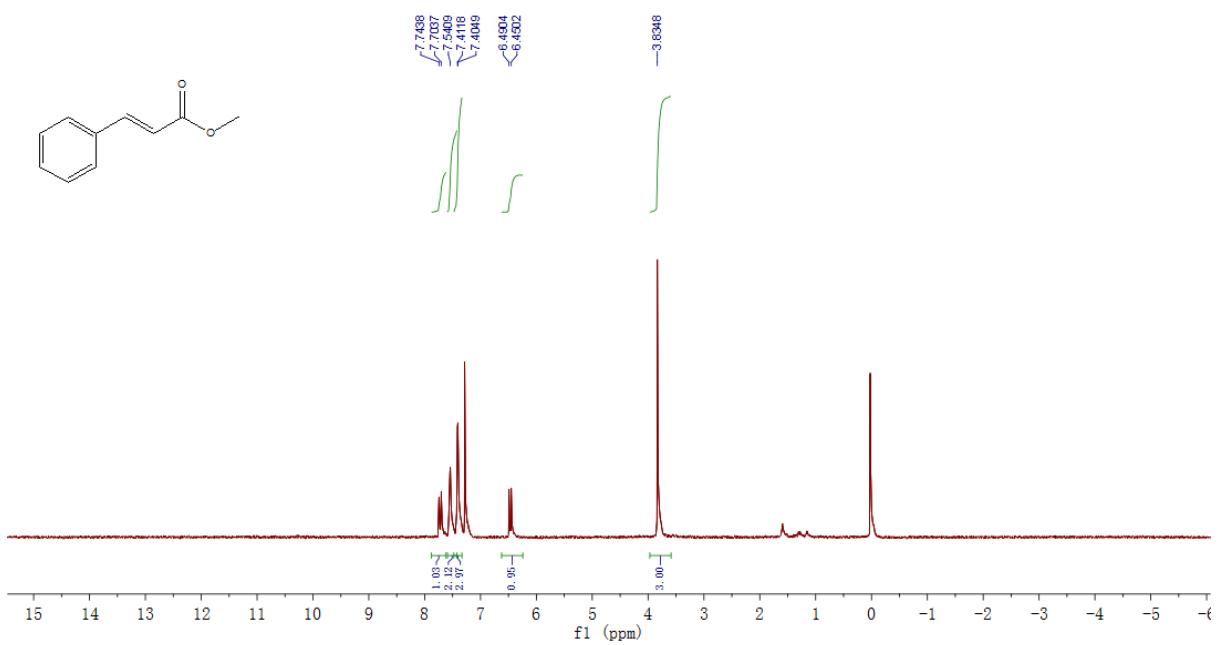
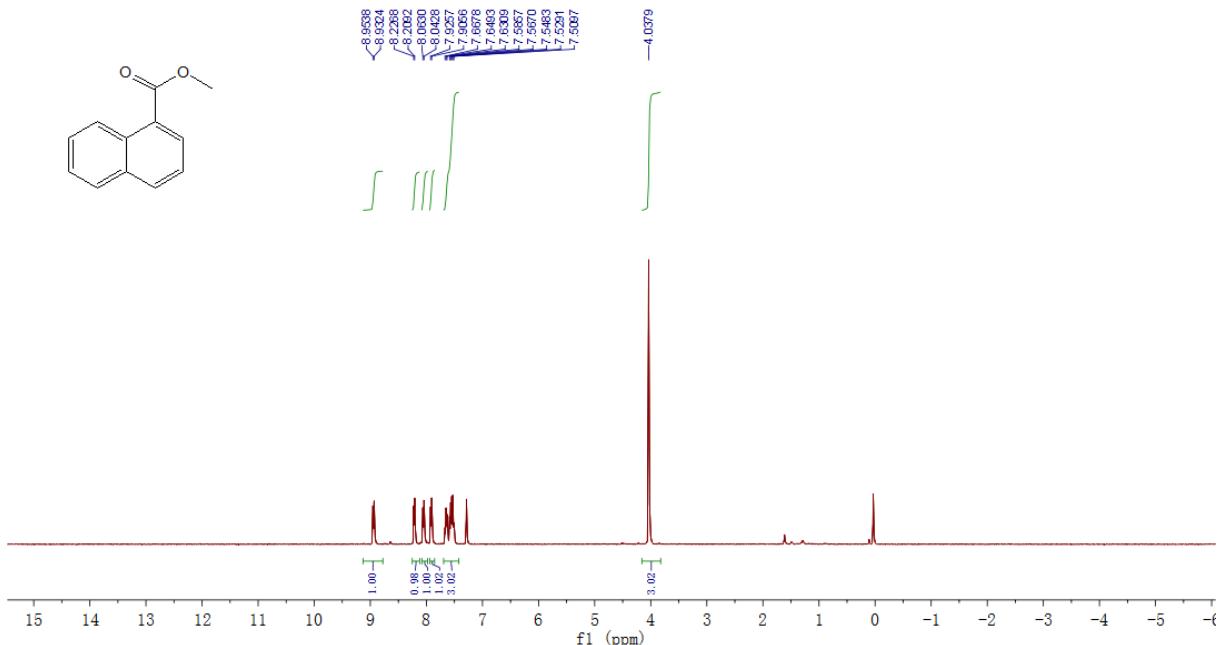


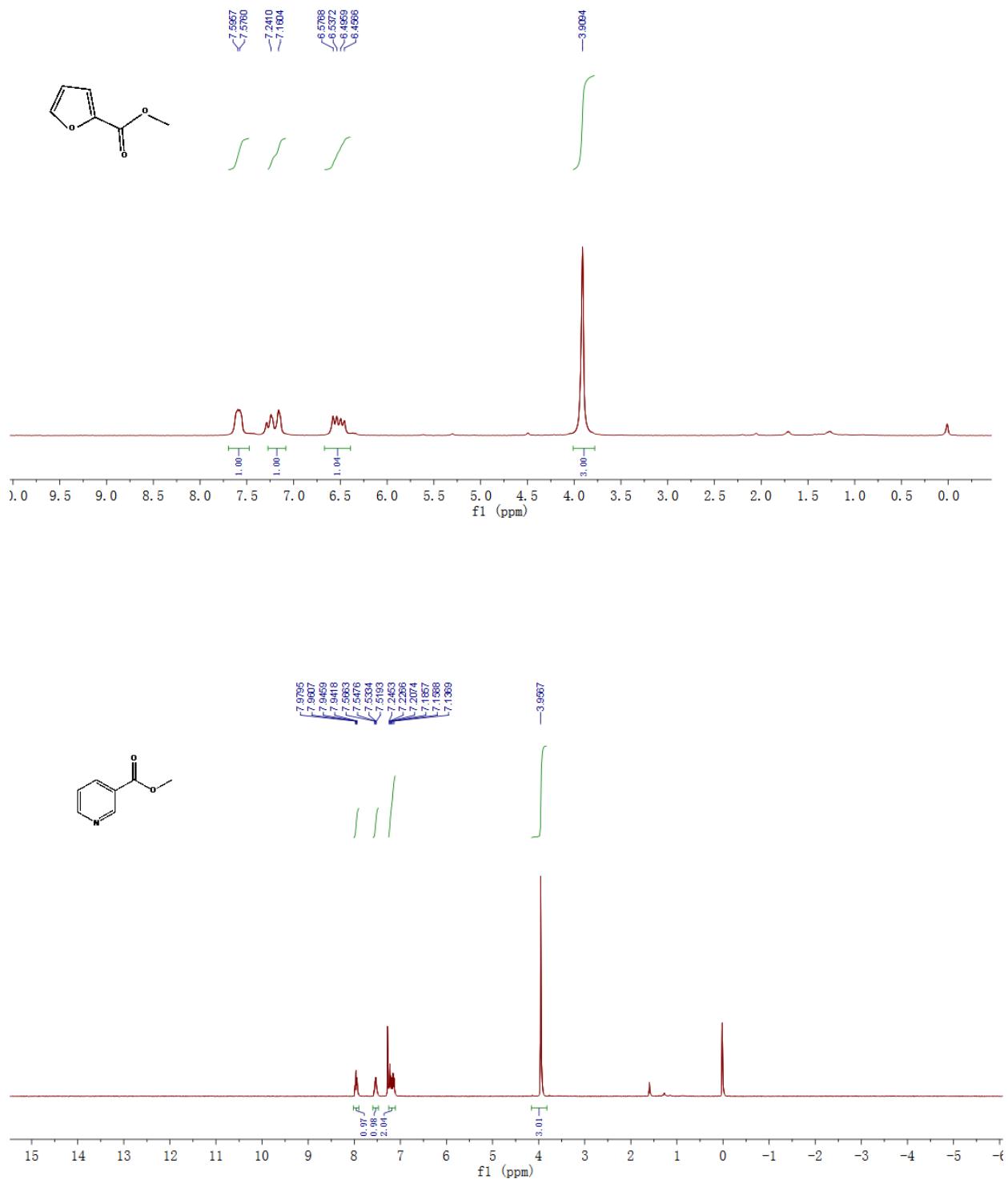


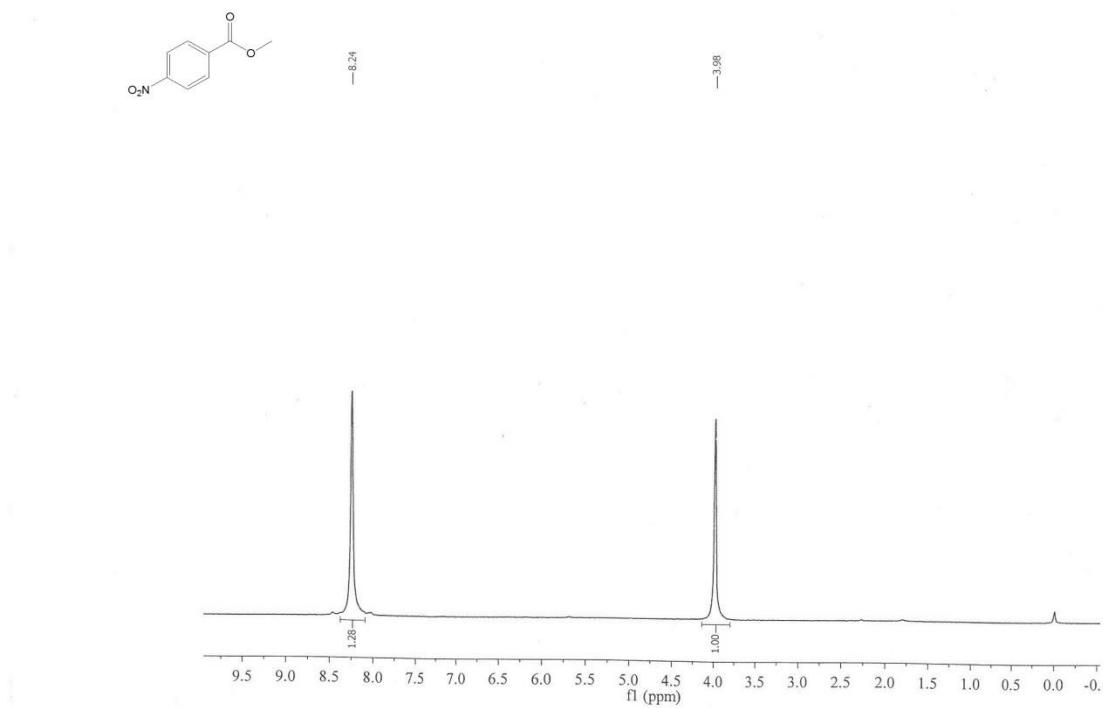
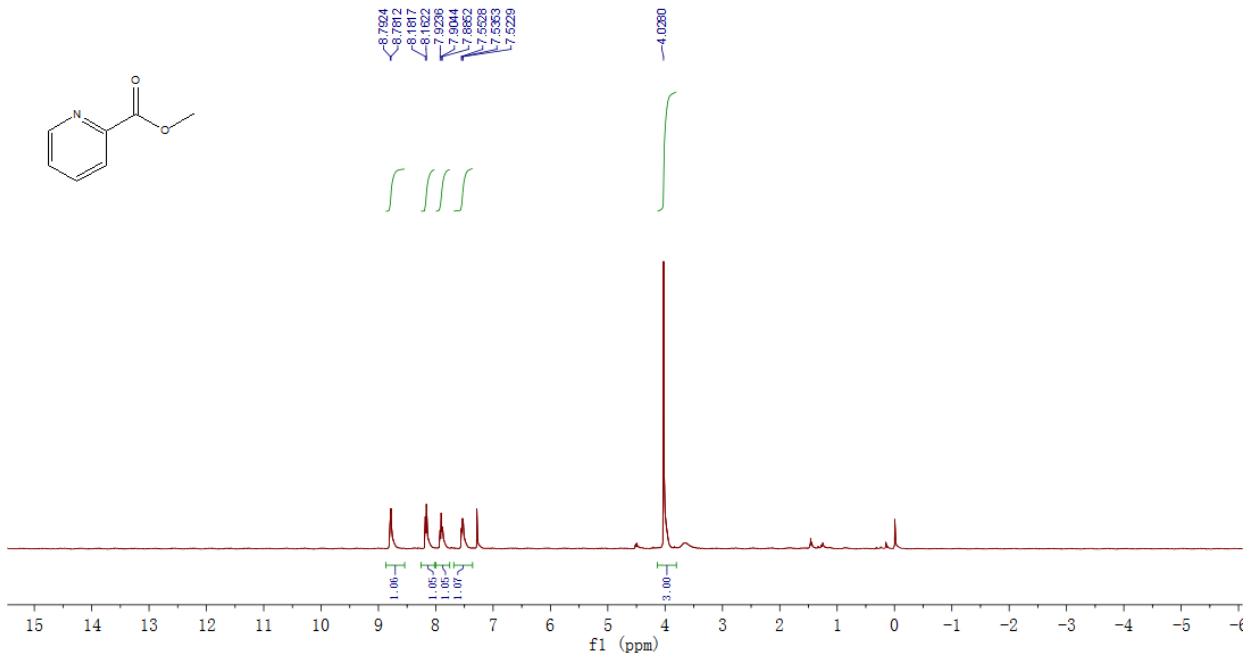


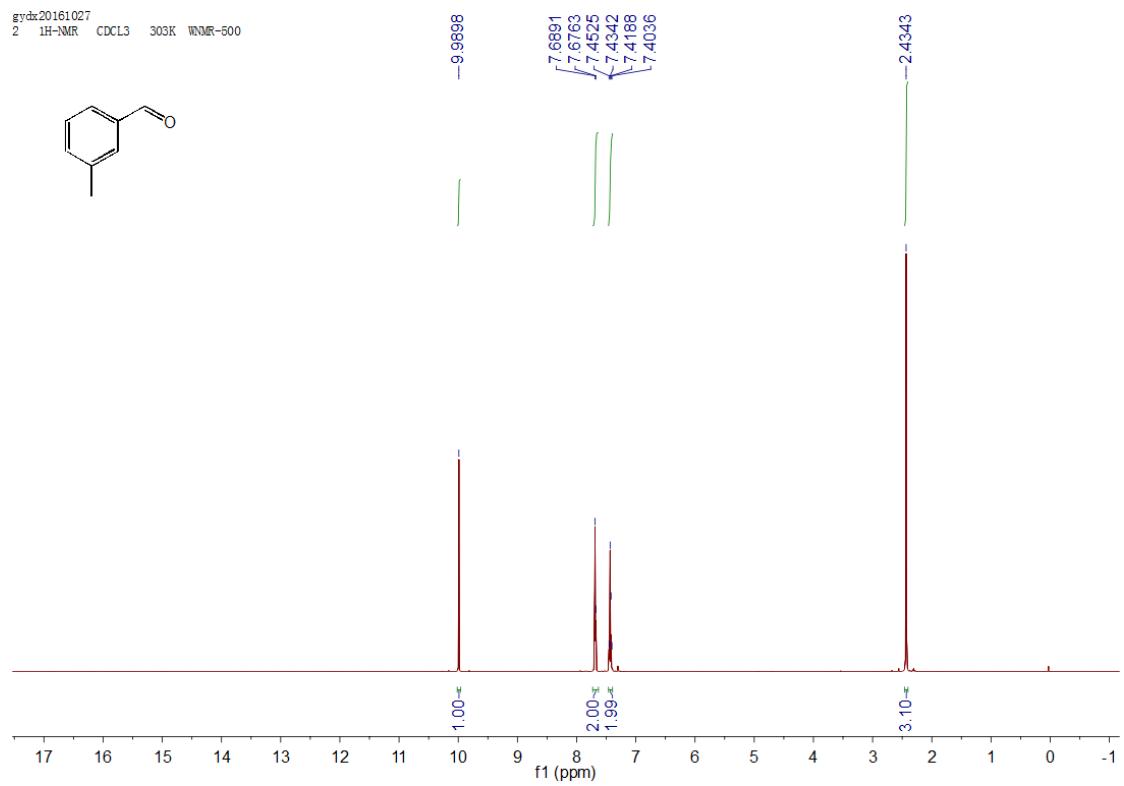
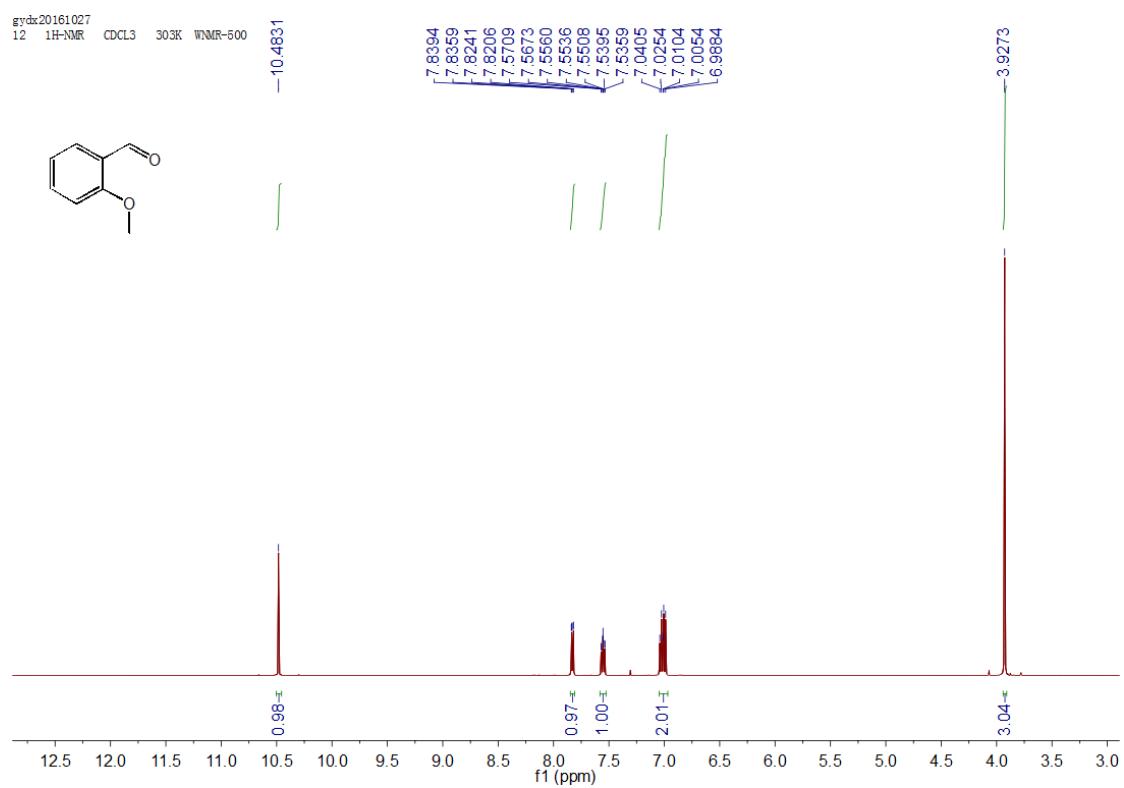


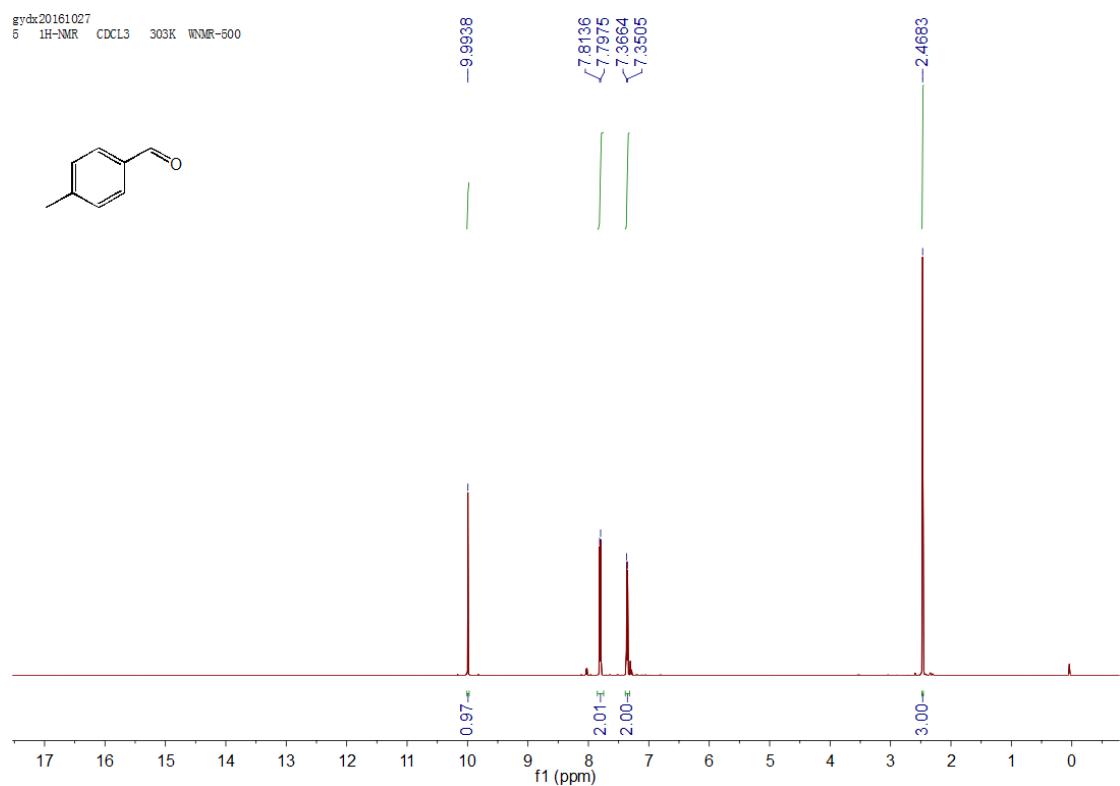
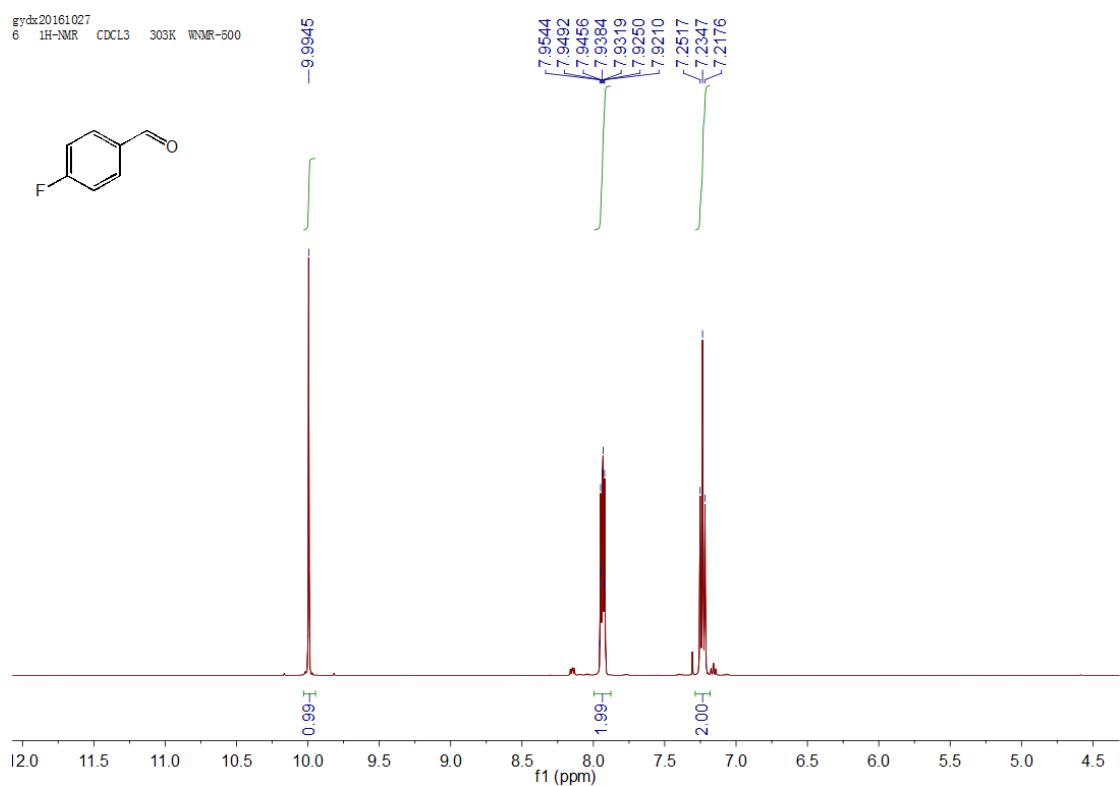


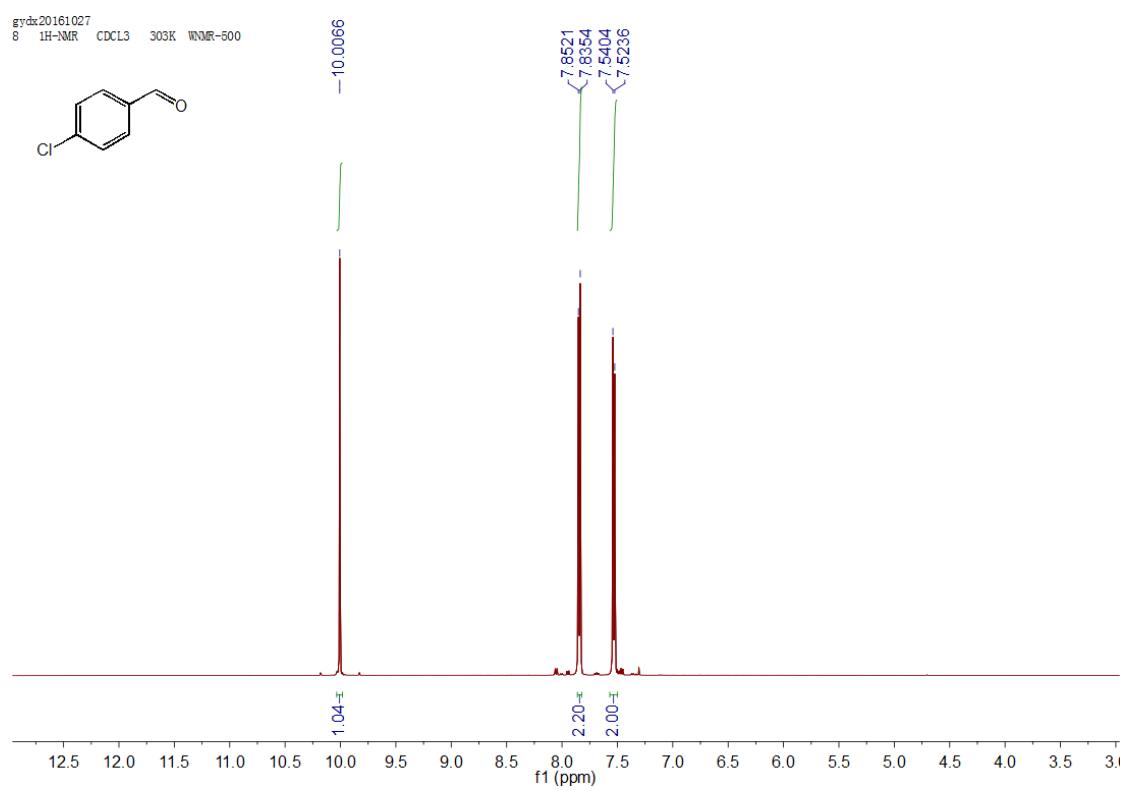
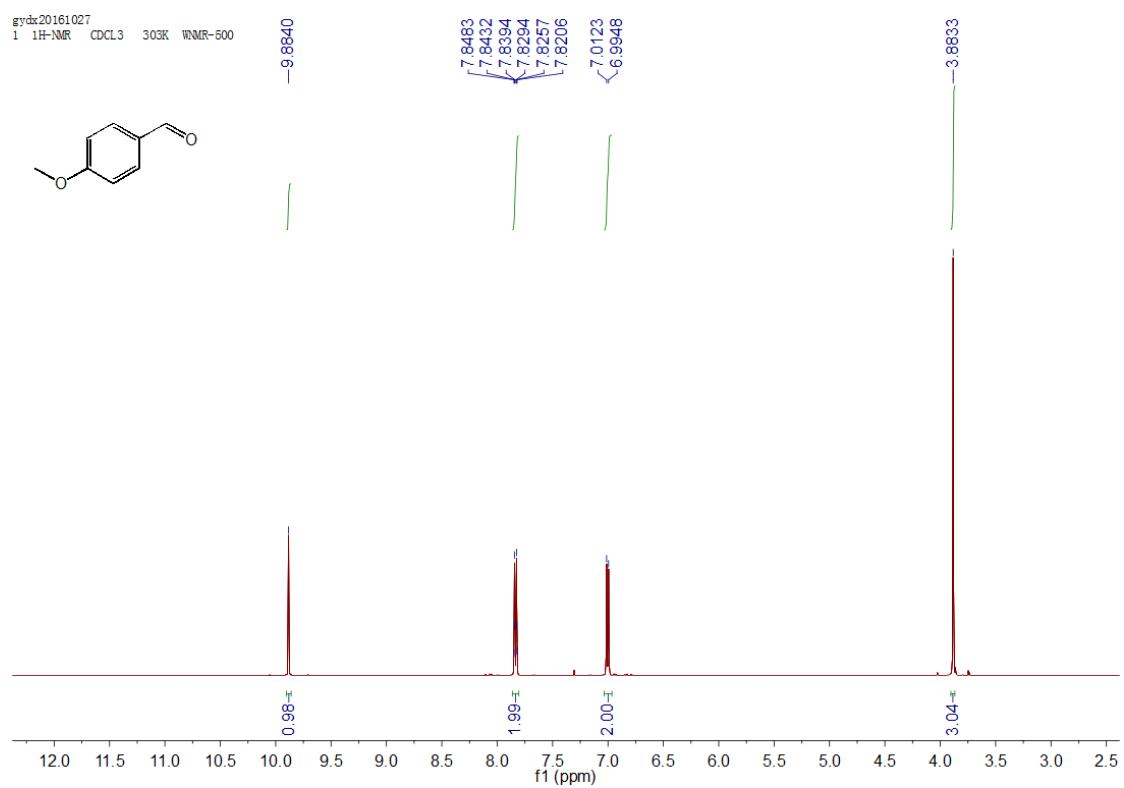


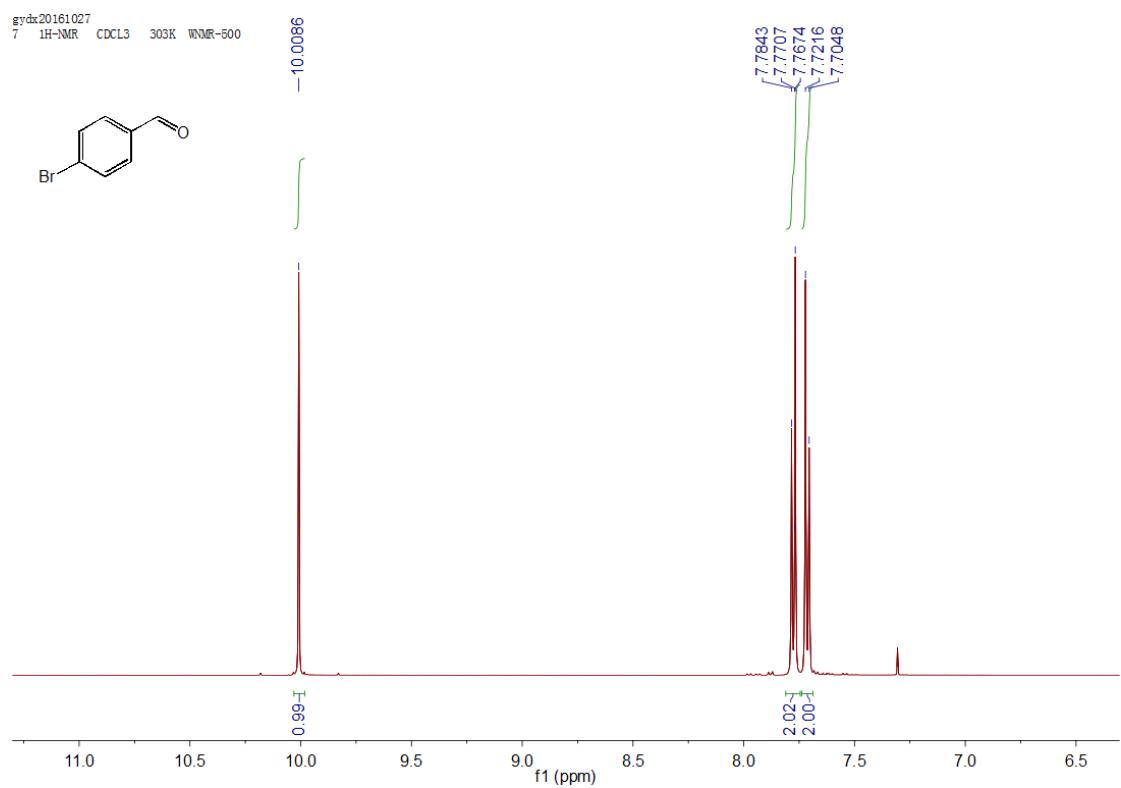
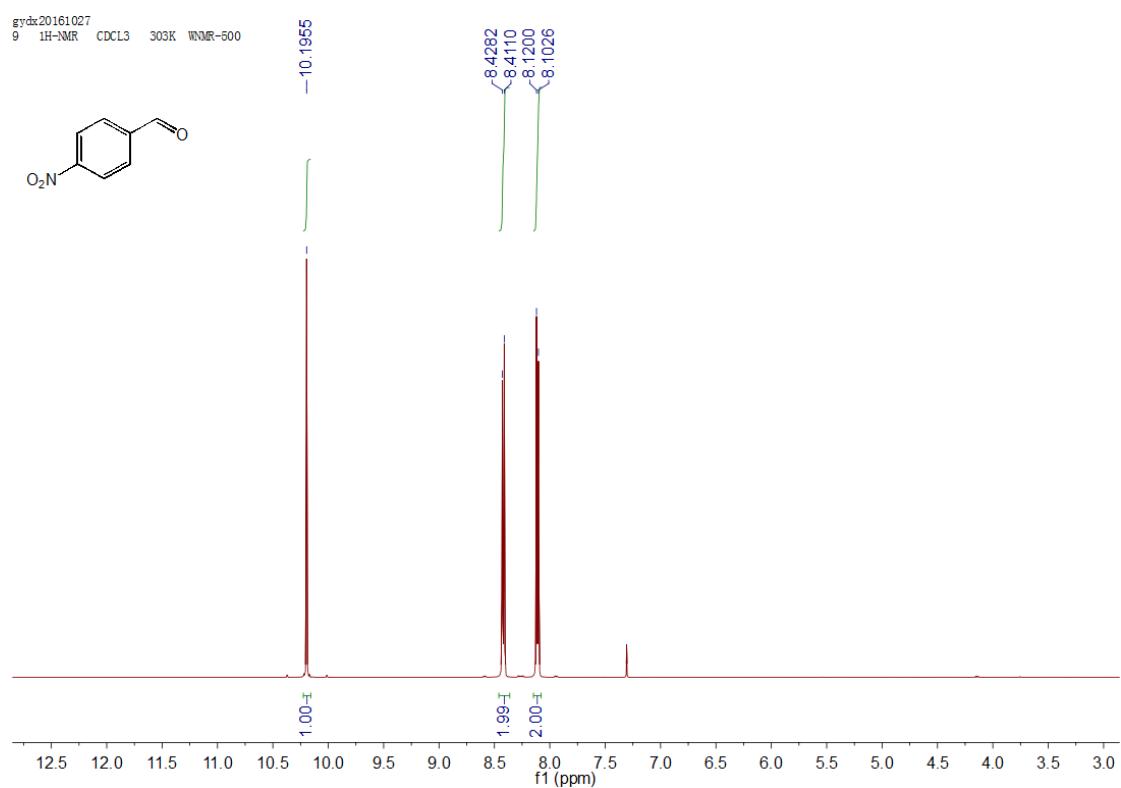


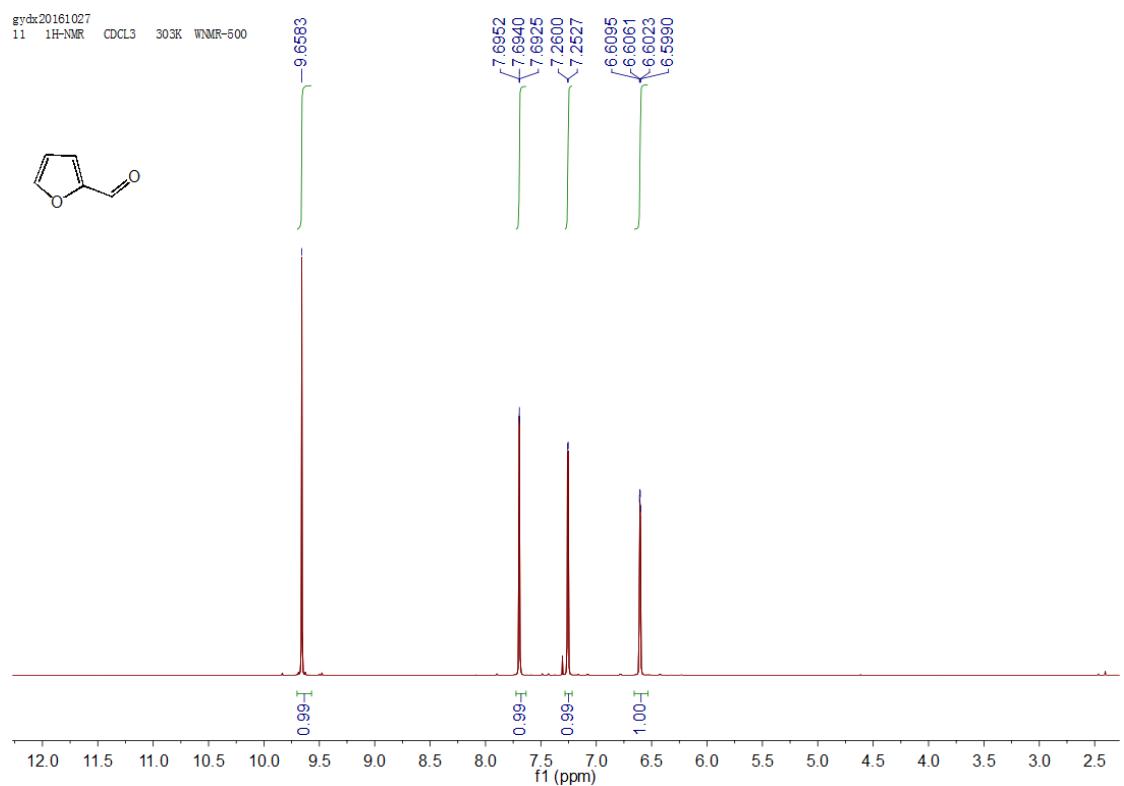
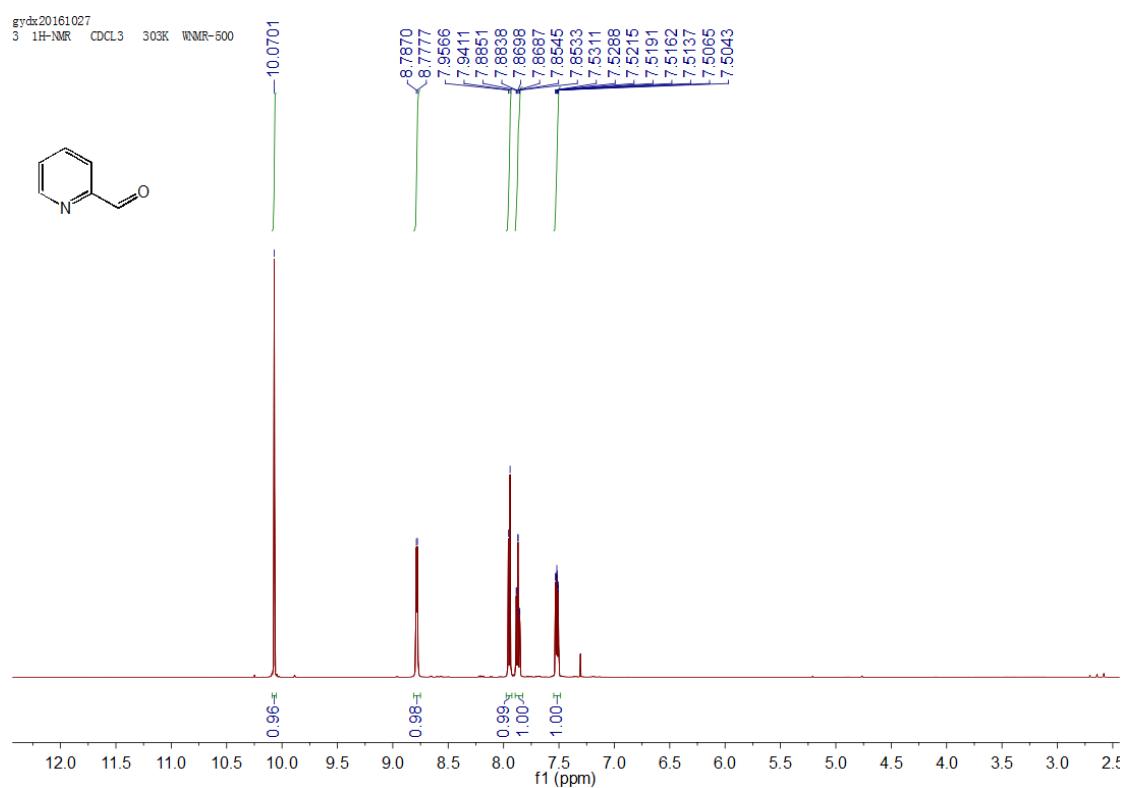


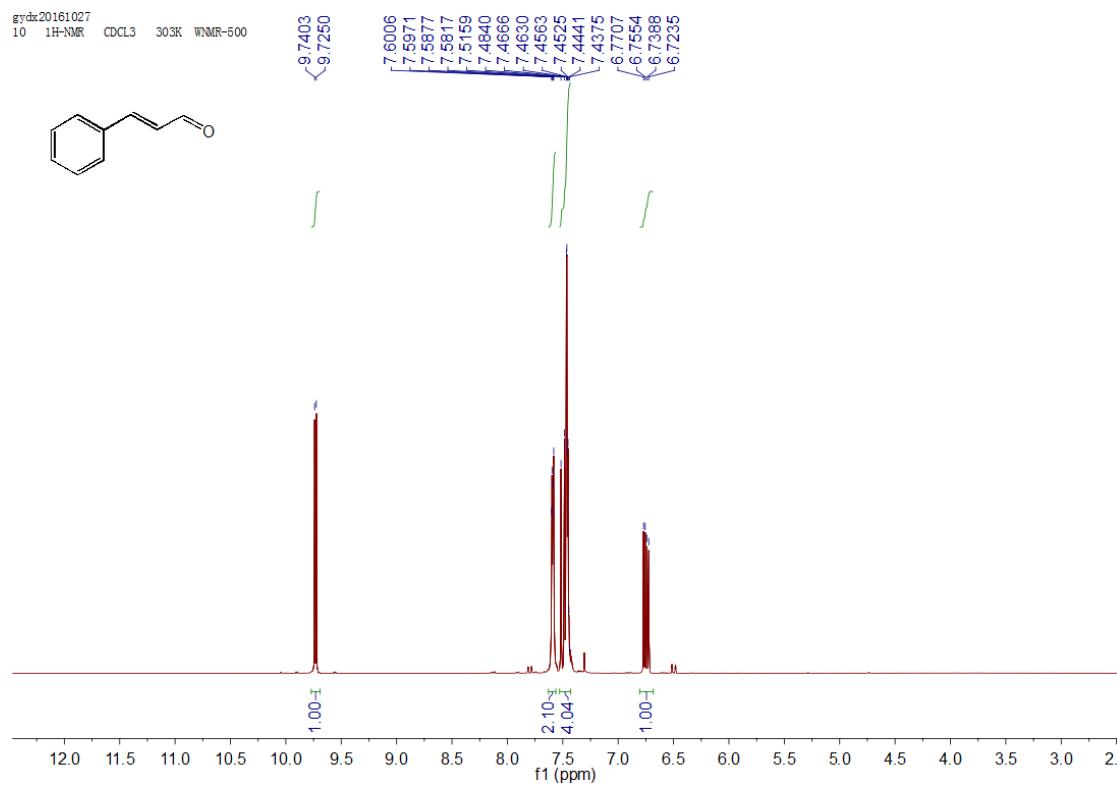
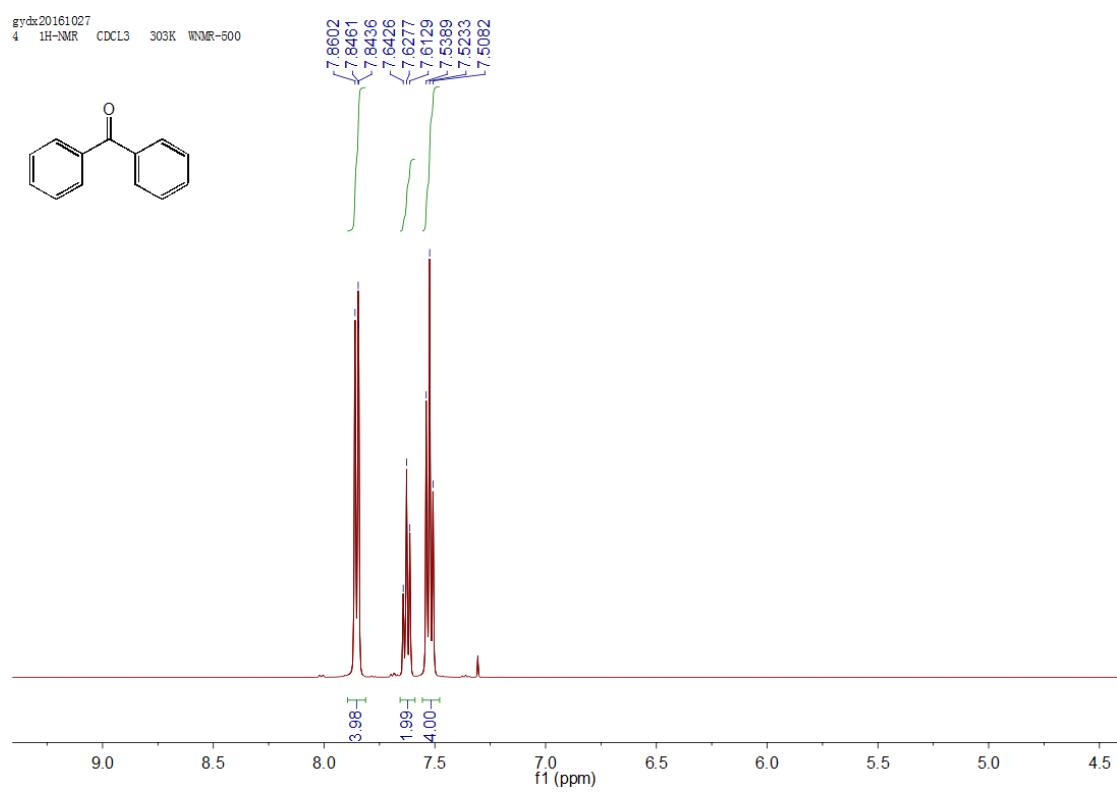


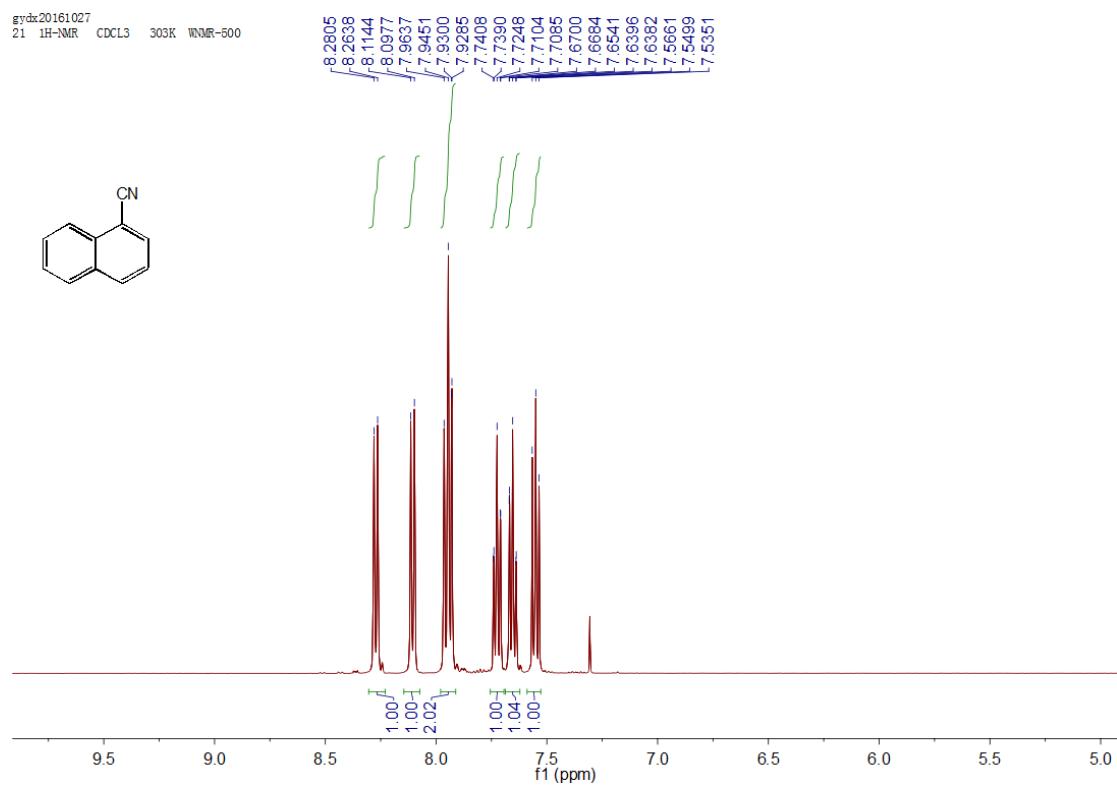
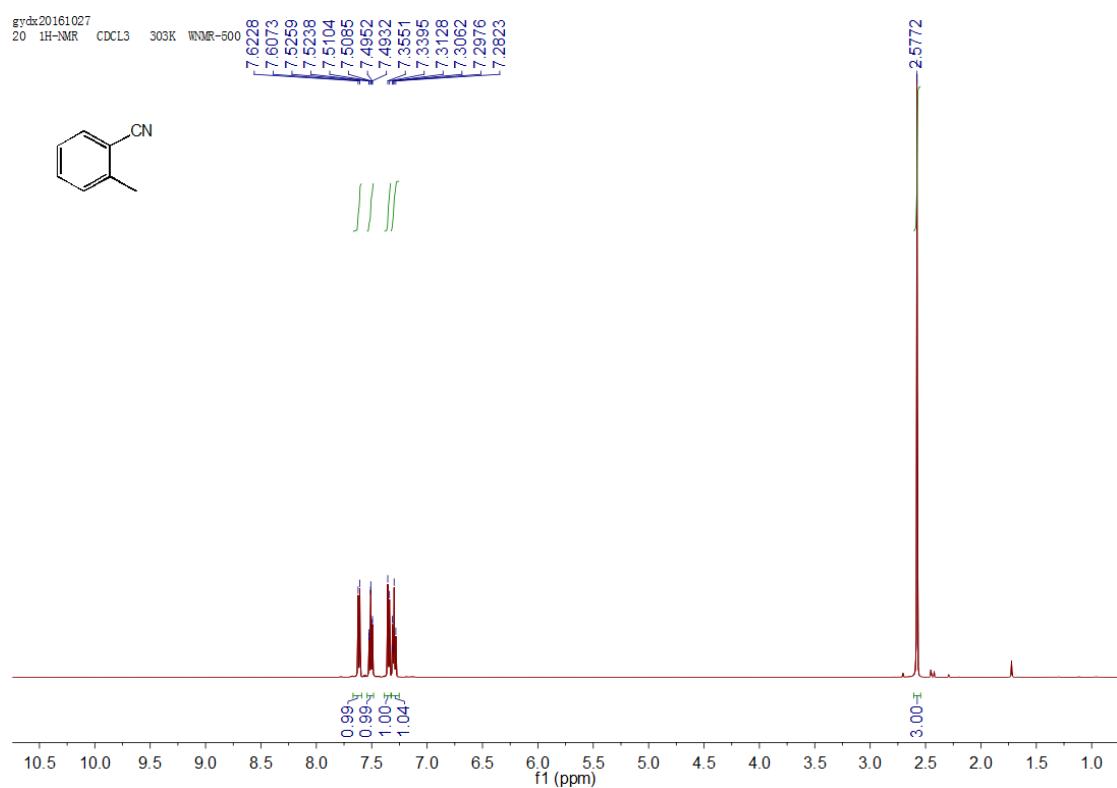




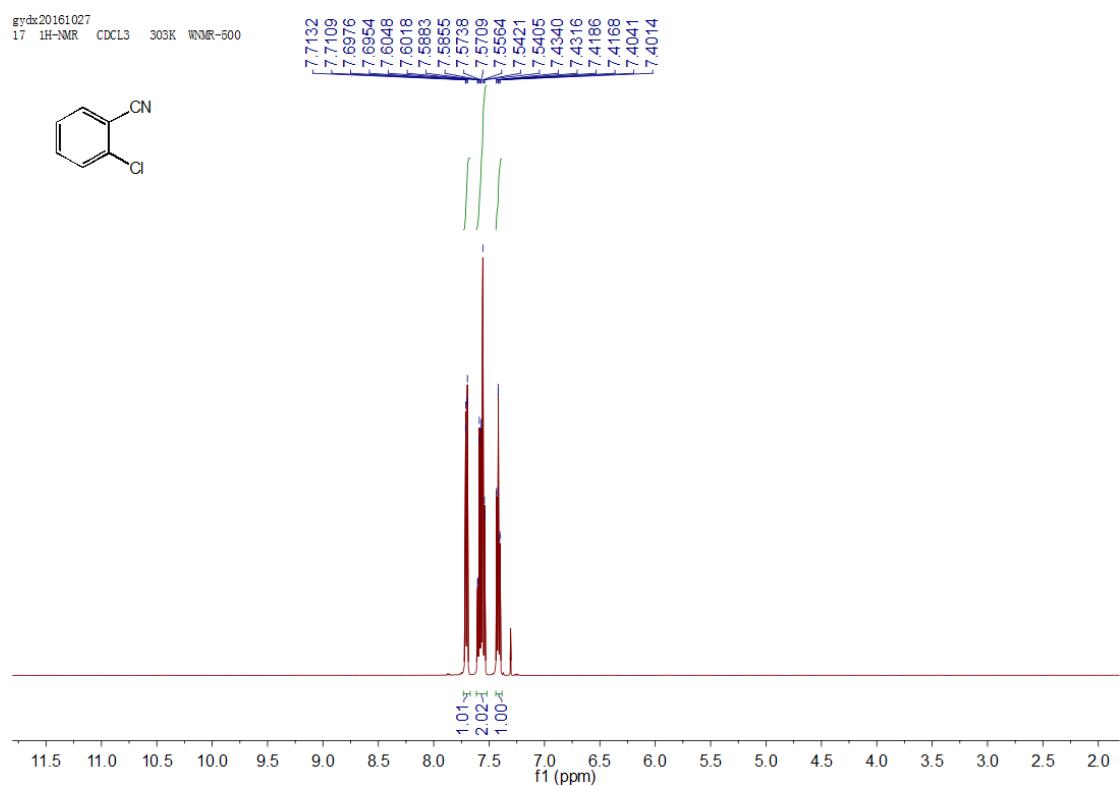




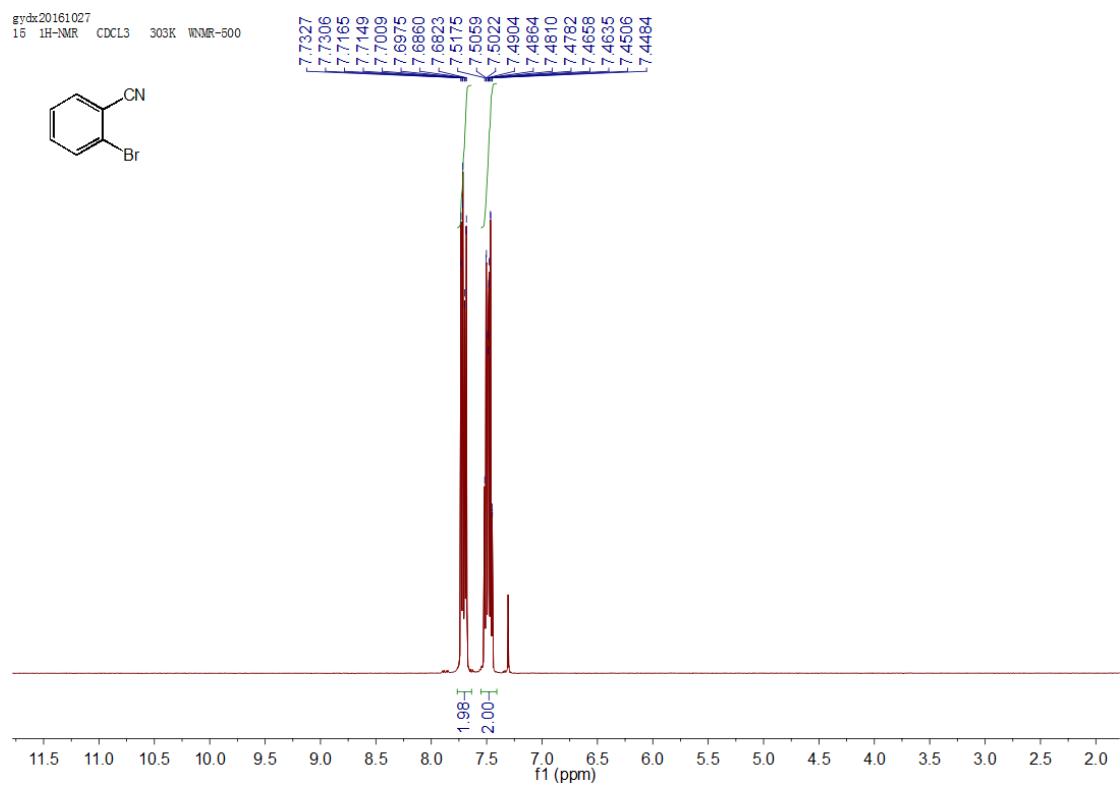


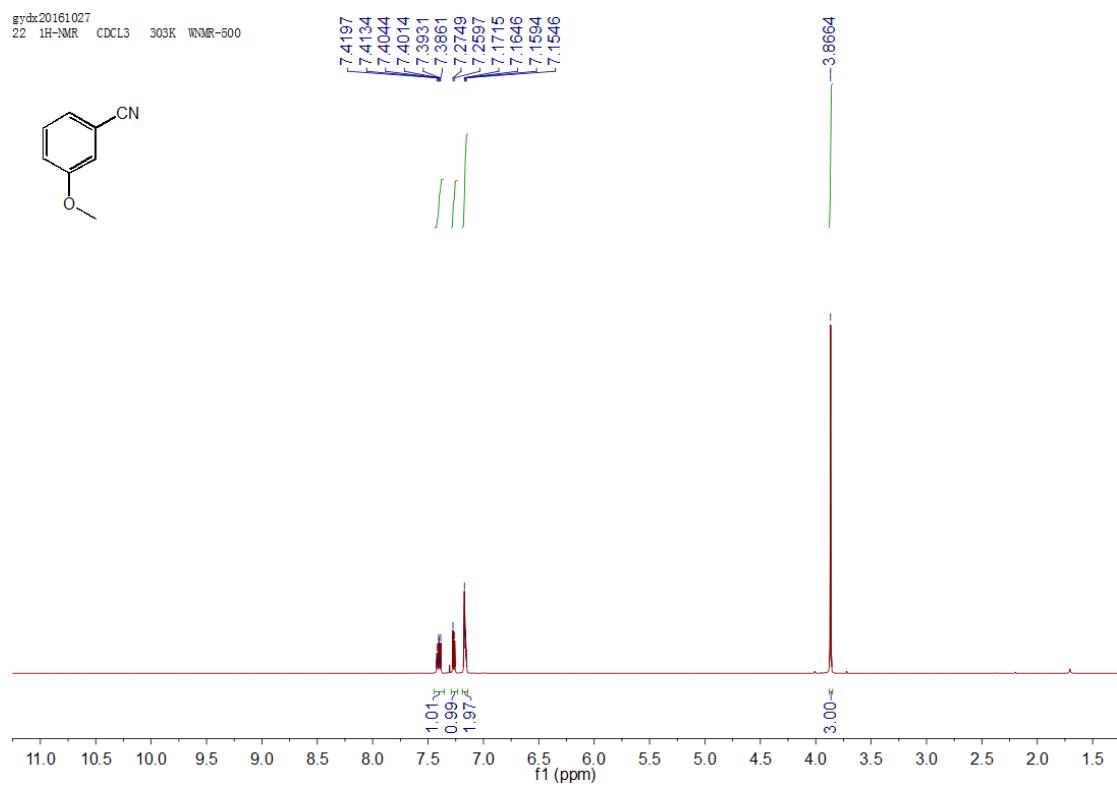
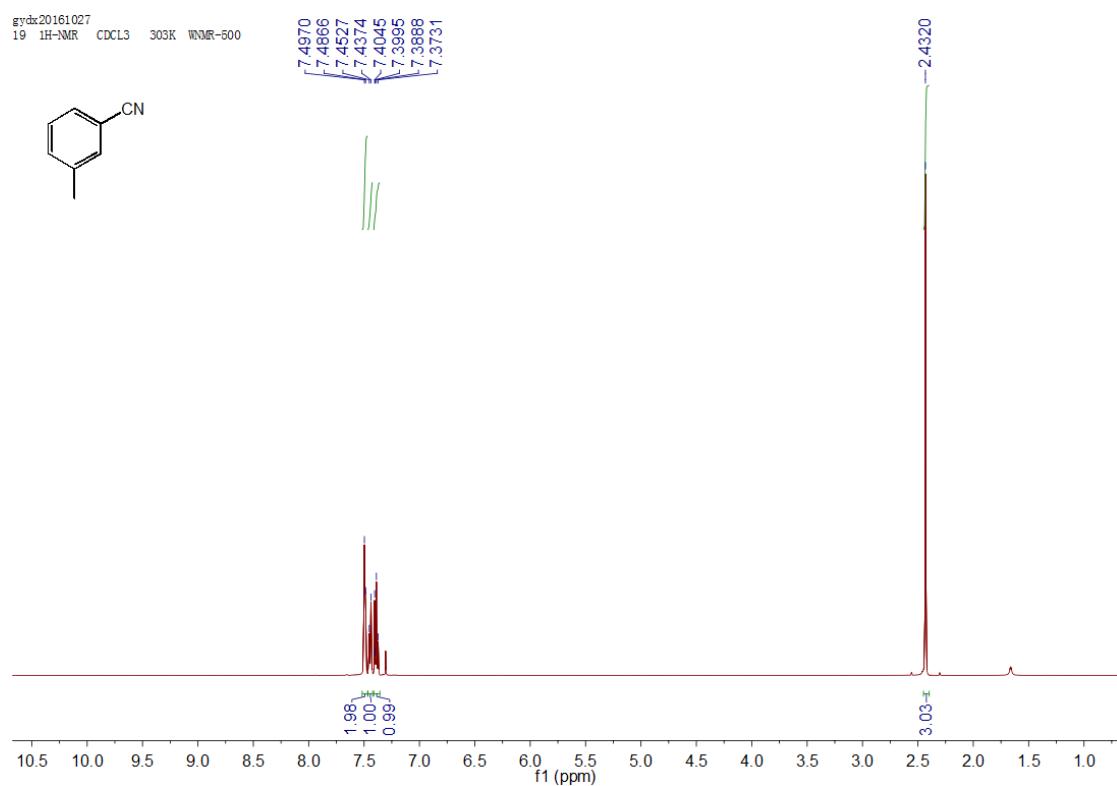


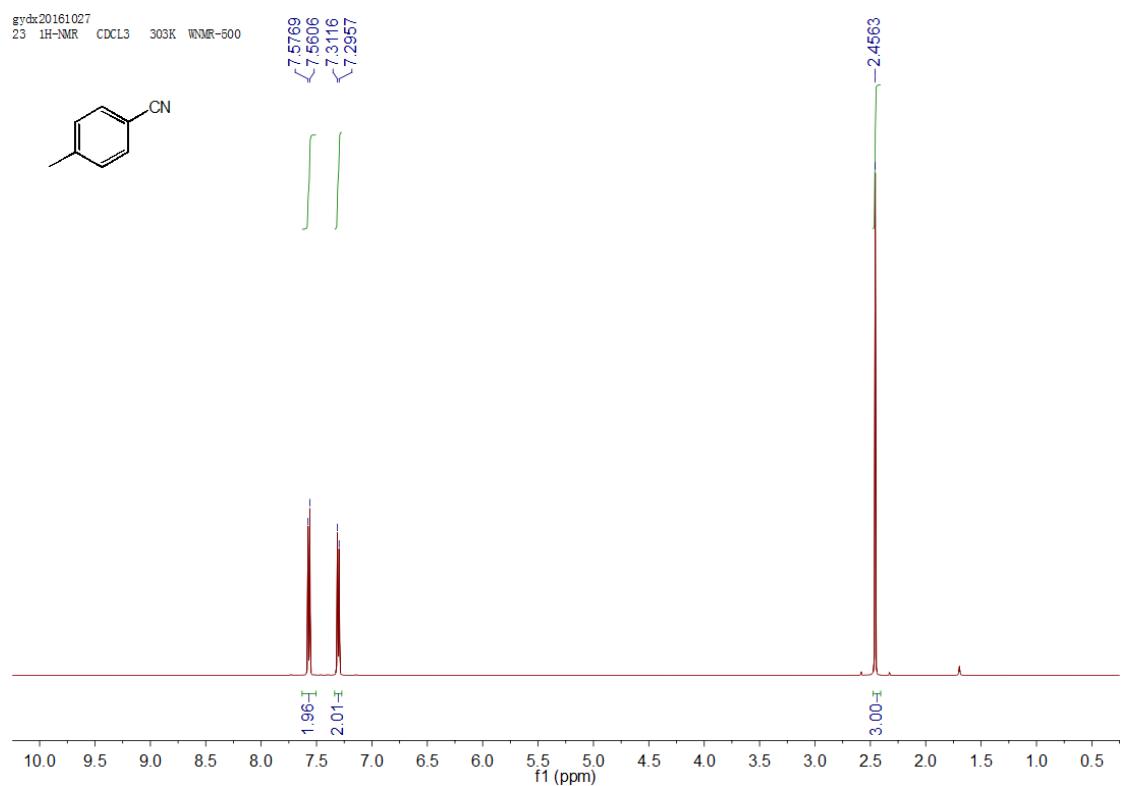
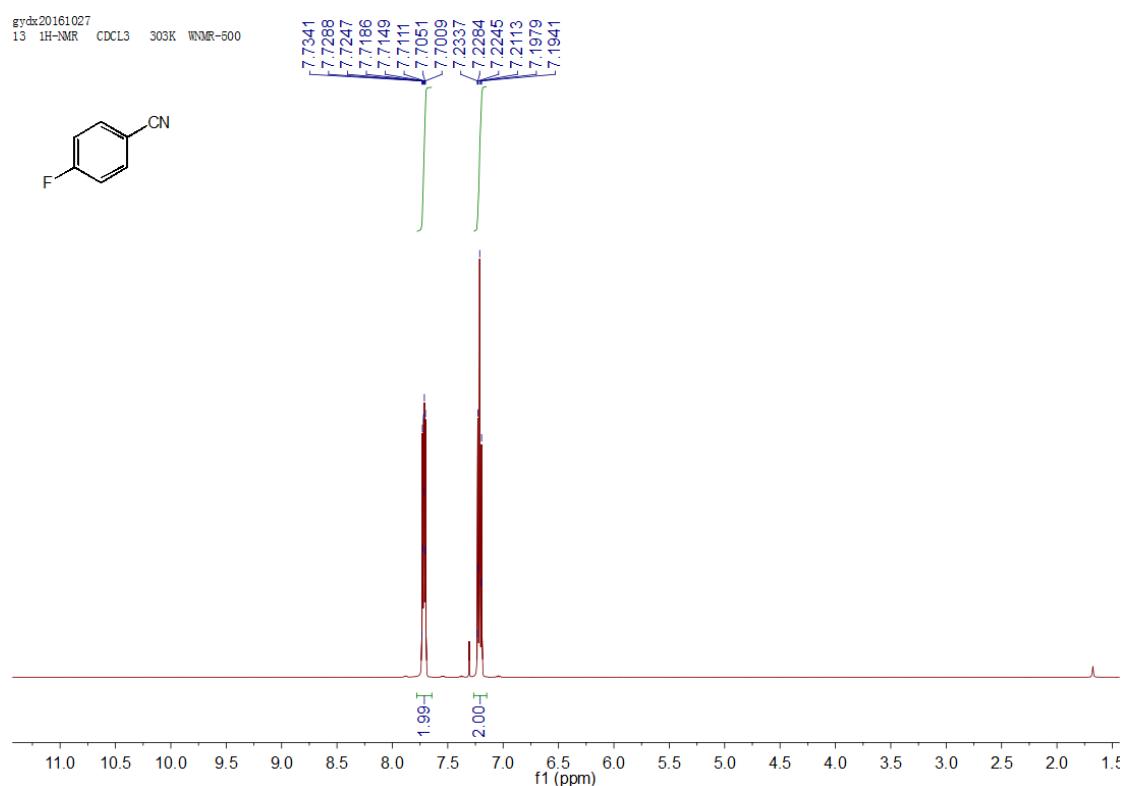
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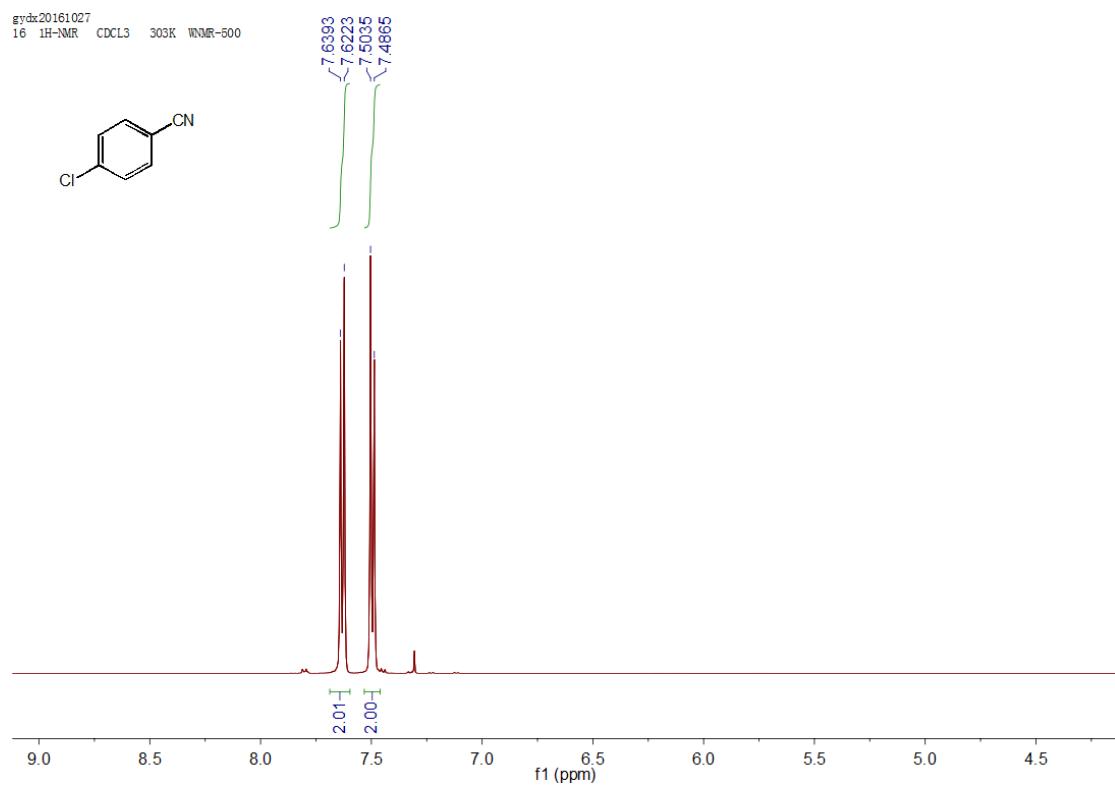
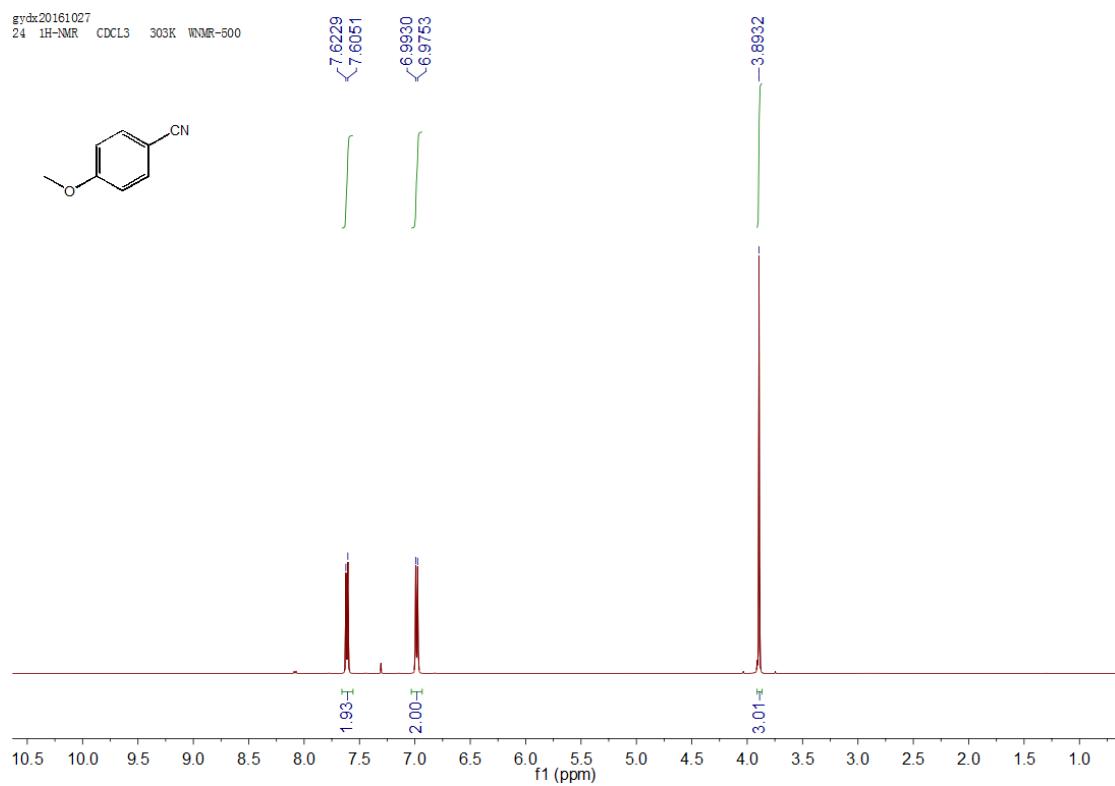


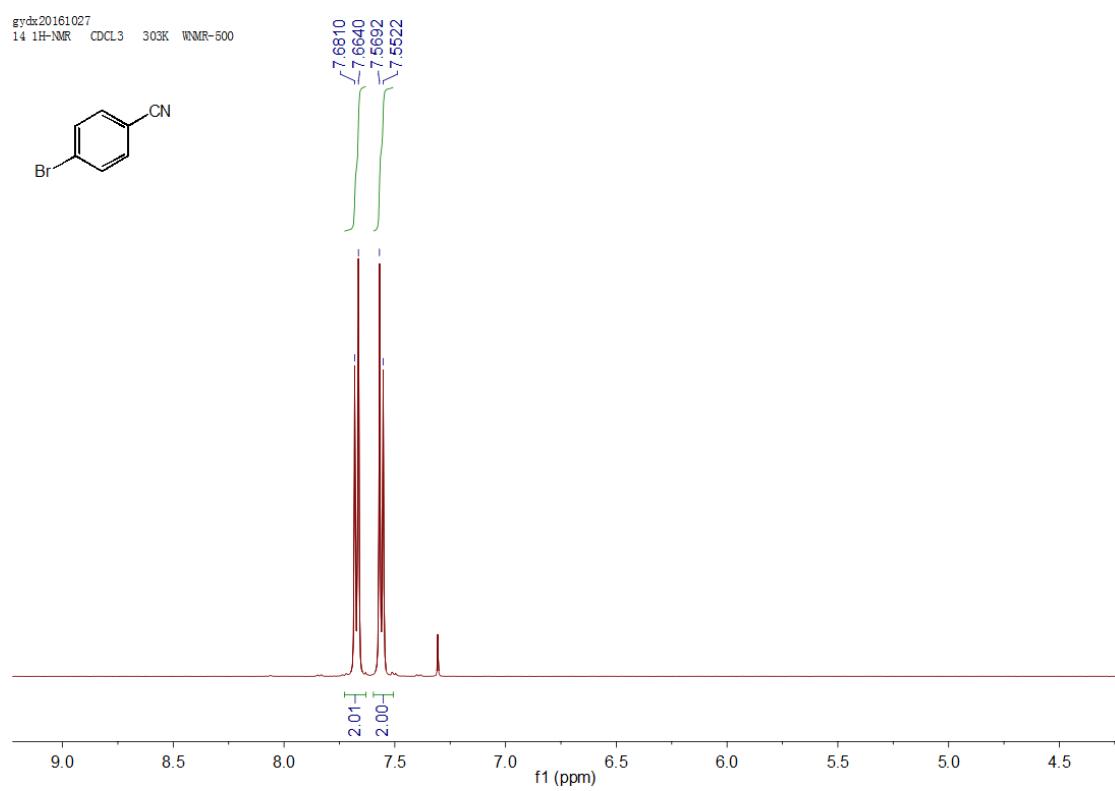
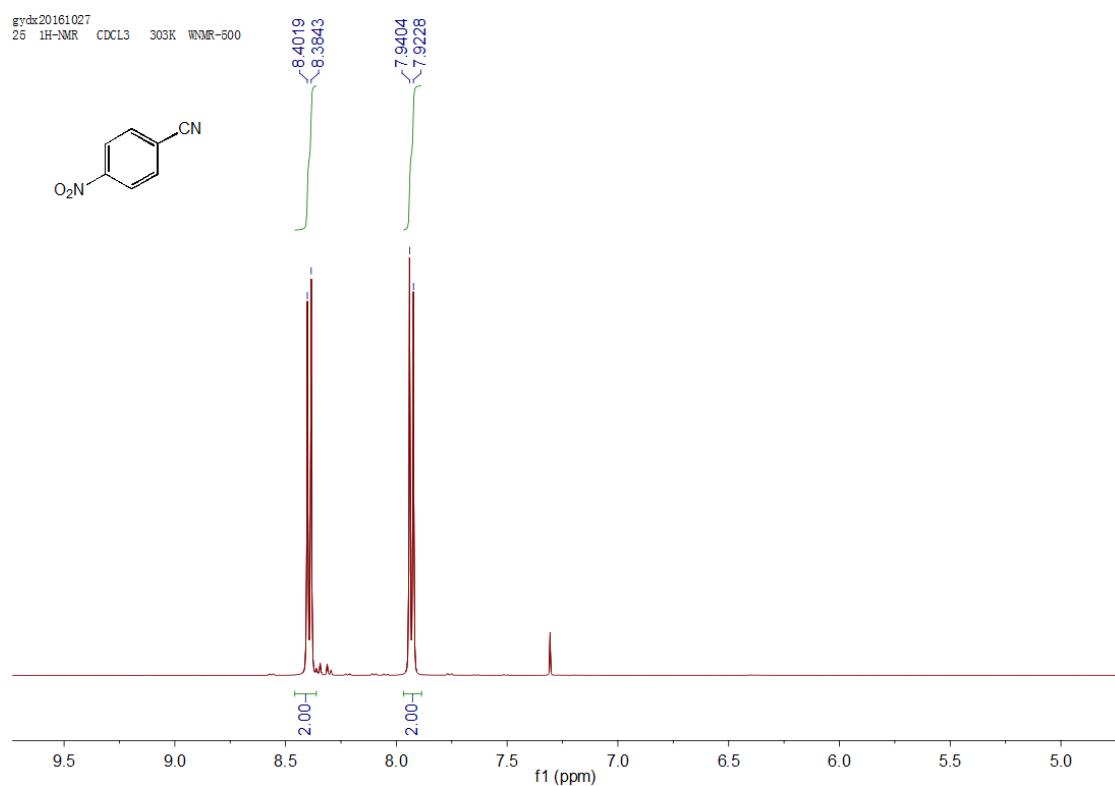
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