

Cs₂CO₃-promoted defluorination and functionalization of α -CF₃ carbonyl compounds in the presence of N-, O-, and/or S-nucleophiles

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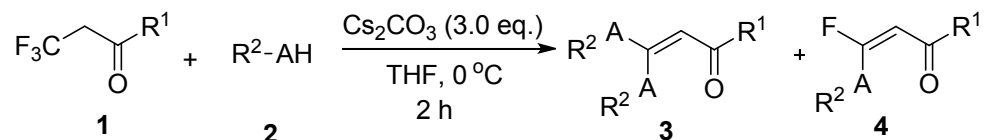
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General Experimental:

The chemicals and reagents were purchased from Acros, Alfa Aesar, and National Chemical Reagent Group Co. Ltd., P. R. China, and used without further purification. Anhydrous solvents (THF, MeOH, DMF, DCM, and CH₃CN) used in the reactions were dried and freshly distilled before use. Petroleum ether (PE) used had a boiling range of 60–90 °C. All the reactions were carried out under Ar atmosphere, otherwise stated else. Oxygen and/or moisture sensitive solids and liquids were transferred appropriately. Concentration of solutions in *vacuo* was accomplished using a rotary evaporator fitted with a water aspirator. Residual solvents were removed under high vacuum (0.1-0.2 mm Hg). The progress of the reactions was monitored by TLC (silica-coated glass plates) and visualized under UV light, and by using iodine, ceric ammonium molybdate stain or phosphomolybdic acid. Melting points were measured on a SGW X-4 microscopy melting point apparatus without correction. ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded either on a 400 MHz Varian Instrument at 25 °C or 600 MHz Bruke Instrument at 25 °C, using TMS as an internal standard, respectively. Multiplicity is tabulated as s for singlet, d for doublet, dd for doublet of doublet, t for triplet, and m for multiplet. Coupling constants (J) are reported in Hertz. ¹³C NMR spectra were completely hetero-decoupled and measured at 150 MHz. HRMS spectra were recorded on Finnigan- Mat-95 mass spectrometer, equipped with ESI source. Single crystal X-ray diffraction measurements were performed with a diffractometer working with graphite-monochromated Cu K α radiation.

Experimental Procedures:

The preparation of compound 3 or 4 in Table 2:

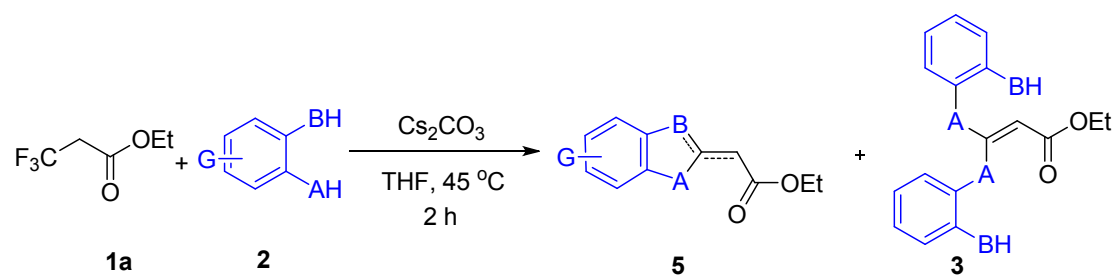


Method a: To a solution of 3,3,3-trifluoropropanoic acid derivatives (1.0 mmol) in THF (5 mL) was added the mono-dentate S-, O-, and N-nucleophiles (2.0 mmol) and Cs₂CO₃ (2.0 mmol) at 0 °C and then stirred for 2 h at under Ar. The reaction was ended with a saturated aqueous ammonium chloride solution (10 mL) and extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (DCM, 20 mL*3). After workup, the product was purified by flash chromatography (Petroleum Ether/Ethyl Acetate, PE/EA).

Method c: To a solution of ethyl 3,3,3-trifluoropropanoate (1.0 mmol) in THF (5 mL), was added the mono-dentate S-, O-, and N-nucleophiles (2.0 mmol) and Cs₂CO₃ (2.0 mmol) at 45 °C for 2 h at under Ar. The reaction was ended with a saturated aqueous ammonium chloride solution (10 mL) and extracted with DCM (20 mL*3). After workup, the product was purified by flash chromatography (PE /EA).

Method d: To a solution of ethyl 3,3,3-trifluoropropanoate (1.0 mmol) in anhydrous DMSO (5 mL), was added the mono-dentate S-, O-, and N-nucleophiles (2.0 mmol) and Cs₂CO₃ (2.0 mmol) at 45 °C for 2 h at under Ar. The reaction was ended with a saturated aqueous ammonium chloride solution (10 mL) and extracted with DCM (20 mL*3). After workup, the product was purified by flash chromatography (PE /EA).

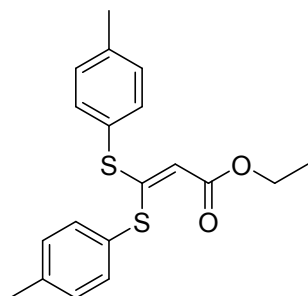
The preparation of the compounds in Table 3:



To a solution of ethyl 3,3,3-trifluoropropanoate (1.0 mmol) in THF (5 mL), was added the bidentate nucleophiles (1.0 mmol) and Cs₂CO₃ (2.0 mmol) at 45 °C for 2 h at under Ar. The reaction was ended with a saturated aqueous ammonium chloride solution (10 mL) and extracted with DCM (20 mL*3). After workup, the product was purified by flash chromatography (PE /EA).

Spectral data of all compounds:

Ethyl 3,3-bis(p-tolylthio)acrylate (3aa).



3aa

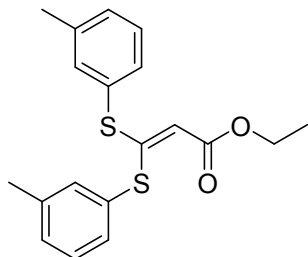
The resultant residue was purified by flash column chromatography (PE/EA=80/1) as a white solid. R_f = 0.20 (PE/EA = 80/1), **Mp** 85-86 °C.

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.39 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.09 – 6.88 (m, 6H), 5.03 (s, 1H), 3.92 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.18 (s, 3H), 2.12 (s, 3H), 1.04 – 0.97 (m, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (150 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 165.4, 163.0, 140.5, 140.4, 137.0, 135.4, 130.7, 129.6, 126.7, 125.5, 107.1, 59.8, 21.5, 21.4, 14.4.

HRMS-ESI (m/z): $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{21}\text{O}_2\text{S}_2$ 345.0978; found 345.0973.

Ethyl 3,3-bis(m-tolylthio)acrylate (3ab).



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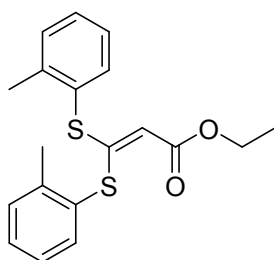
The resultant residue was purified by flash column chromatography (PE/EA=100/1) as a pale yellow liquid. R_f = 0.20 (PE/EA = 100/1).

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.36 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.23 – 6.98 (m, 6H), 5.21 (d, J = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 4.03 (qd, J = 7.1, 1.4 Hz, 2H), 2.26 (s, 3H), 2.21 (s, 3H), 1.12 (td, J = 7.1, 1.4 Hz, 4H).

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (150 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 165.5, 161.9, 139.8, 138.7, 137.5, 135.8, 134.1, 132.4, 130.9, 130.9, 130.2, 129.7, 129.0, 128.7, 108.4, 60.1, 21.4, 21.3, 14.5.

HRMS-ESI (m/z): $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{21}\text{O}_2\text{S}_2$ 345.0978; found 345.0969.

Ethyl 3,3-bis(o-tolylthio)acrylate (3ac)



3ac

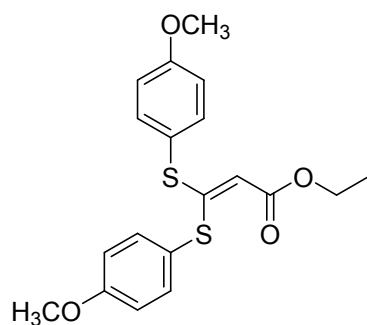
The resultant residue was purified by flash column chromatography (PE/EA=60/1) as a white solid. $R_f = 0.20$ (PE/EA = 60/1), **Mp** 84-85 °C.

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.68 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.47 – 7.08 (m, 7H), 5.11 (s, 1H), 4.13 (q, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2H), 2.59 (s, 3H), 2.32 (s, 3H), 1.23 (t $J = 7.1$ Hz, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (150 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 165.7, 160.9, 144.6, 143.0, 138.2, 136.7, 131.4, 130.9, 130.9, 130.6, 129.4, 128.8, 127.4, 126.6, 106.6, 60.0, 21.4, 20.4, 14.5.

HRMS-ESI (m/z): $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{21}\text{O}_2\text{S}_2$ 345.0978; found 345.0974.

Ethyl 3,3-bis((4-methoxyphenyl)thio)acrylate (3ad)



3ad

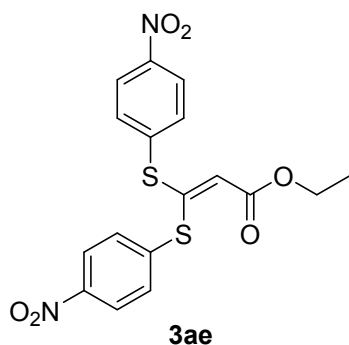
The resultant residue was purified by flash column chromatography (PE/EA=20/1) as a pale yellow liquid. $R_f = 0.21$ (PE/EA = 20/1).

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.69 – 7.57 (m, 2H), 7.30 (d, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 2H), 6.99 – 6.84 (m, 4H), 5.14 (s, 1H), 4.13 (q, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2H), 3.83 (d, $J = 9.8$ Hz, 6H), 1.23 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (150 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 165.7, 164.7, 161.5, 161.2, 138.9, 137.4, 120.8, 119.7, 115.6, 114.5, 106.5, 60.0, 55.5, 14.6.

HRMS-ESI (m/z): $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{21}\text{O}_4\text{S}_2$ 377.0876; found 377.0868.

Ethyl 3,3-bis((4-nitrophenyl)thio)acrylate (3ae)



3ae

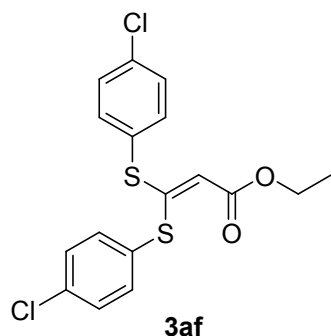
The resultant residue was purified by flash column chromatography (PE/EA=80/1) as a white foamy solid. $R_f = 0.20$ (PE/EA = 80/1).

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.25 – 8.08 (m, 4H), 7.65 – 7.55 (m, 2H), 7.40 (dd, $J = 8.9, 2.1$ Hz, 2H), 6.10 (s, 1H), 4.23 (q, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 6H), 1.30 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 5H).

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (150 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 164.4, 151.4, 148.3, 147.9, 139.9, 138.8, 135.6, 132.8, 127.0, 124.5, 124.2, 123.6, 119.7, 61.1, 14.4.

HRMS-ESI (m/z): $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{15}\text{N}_2\text{O}_6\text{S}_2$ 407.0372; found 407.0378.

Ethyl 3,3-bis((4-chlorophenyl)thio)acrylate (3af)



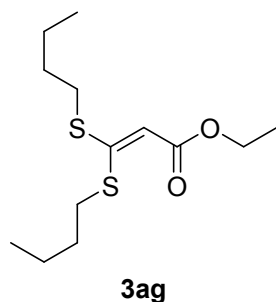
The resultant residue was purified by flash column chromatography (PE/EA=100/1) as a pale yellow liquid. $R_f = 0.20$ (PE/EA = 100/1).

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.69 – 7.44 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.41 – 7.31 (m, 4H), 7.31 – 7.21 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 5.37 (s, 1H), 4.15 (q, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 1.24 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (150 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 165.2, 159.6, 138.0, 136.8, 136.6, 136.3, 130.2, 129.2, 128.8, 127.7, 110.1, 60.3, 14.5.

HRMS-ESI (m/z): $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{15}\text{Cl}_2\text{O}_2\text{S}_2$ 384.9885; found 384.9887.

Ethyl 3,3-bis(butylthio)acrylate (3ag)



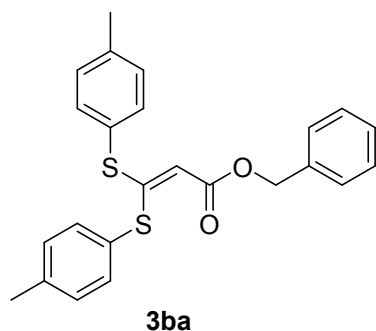
The resultant residue was purified by flash column chromatography (PE/EA=100/1) as a clear liquid. $R_f = 0.21$ (PE/EA = 100/1).

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 5.63 (s, 1H), 4.17 (q, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 3.02 (t, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 2H), 2.87 (t, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 2H), 1.79 – 1.58 (m, 4H), 1.47 (m, 4H), 1.28 (tt, $J = 7.6, 1.7$ Hz, 3H), 0.95 (qd, $J = 7.6, 3.6$ Hz, 6H).

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (150 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 165.3, 160.6, 106.3, 59.9, 33.8, 31.5, 31.4, 29.64, 22.3, 22.2, 14.7, 13.8, 13.8.

HRMS-ESI (m/z): $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{25}\text{O}_2\text{S}_2$ 277.1291; found 277.1286.

Benzyl 3,3-bis(p-tolylthio)acrylate (3ba)



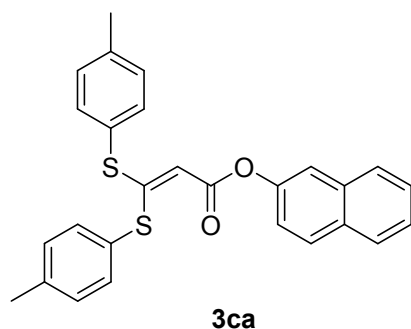
The resultant residue was purified by flash column chromatography (PE/EA=60/1) as a white solid. R_f = 0.25 (PE/EA = 60/1). **Mp** 123-124 °C.

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.59 (dd, J = 8.1, 2.2 Hz, 2H), 7.40 – 7.06 (m, 11H), 5.24 (s, 1H), 5.11 (s, 2H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 2.34 (s, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (150 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 164.6, 163.5, 140.0, 139.9, 136.4, 135.7, 134.8, 130.1, 129.0, 127.9, 127.9, 127.5, 125.8, 124.8, 105.9, 65.1, 20.9, 20.7.

HRMS-ESI (m/z): $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{23}\text{O}_2\text{S}_2$ 407.1134; found 407.1130.

Naphthalen-2-yl 3,3-bis(p-tolylthio)acrylate (3ca)



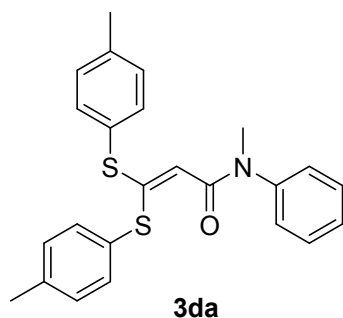
The resultant residue was purified by flash column chromatography (PE/EA=20/1) as a white solid. R_f = 0.20 (PE/EA = 20/1). **Mp** 121-122 °C.

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.75 (dd, J = 22.1, 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.52 – 7.45 (m, 2H), 7.41 (d, J = 5.5 Hz, 1H), 7.24 – 7.16 (m, 4H), 7.18 – 7.06 (m, 6H), 5.49 (s, 1H), 2.32 (s, 3H), 2.28 (s, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (150 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.6, 164.0, 148.7, 141.1, 141.0, 137.2, 135.8, 134.0, 131.5, 131.1, 123.0, 129.3, 127.9, 127.8, 126.6, 126.5, 125.6, 125.4, 121.7, 118.8, 105.5, 21.7, 21.6.

HRMS-ESI (m/z): $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{23}\text{O}_2\text{S}_2$ 443.1134; found 443.1142.

3,3,3-Trifluoro-N-methyl-N-(p-tolyl)propenamide (3da)



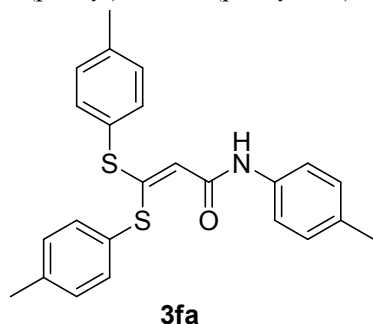
The resultant residue was purified by flash column chromatography (PE/EA=15/1) as a white solid. R_f = 0.20 (PE/EA = 15/1). **Mp** 144-145 °C.

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.50 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.11 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 6.89 (m, 4H), 6.81 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.73 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 4.98 (s, 1H), 3.15 (s, 3H), 2.31 (s, 3H), 2.27 (s, 3H), 2.20 (s, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (150 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 165.5, 157.4, 141.5, 140.2, 139.5, 137.0, 135.3, 130.1, 129.9, 129.6, 127.5, 127.0, 110.2, 36.9, 21.6, 21.5, 21.3.

HRMS-ESI (m/z): $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{24}\text{NOS}_2$ 406.1294; found 406.1319.

N-(*p*-tolyl)-3,3-bis(*p*-tolylthio)acrylamide (**3fa**).



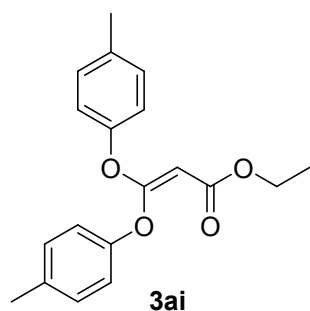
The resultant residue was purified by flash column chromatography (PE/EA=8/1) as a white solid. R_f = 0.21 (PE/EA = 8/1). **Mp** 116-117 °C.

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.57 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.39 (s, 2H), 7.25 (dd, J = 35.3, 7.6 Hz, 6H), 7.06 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), δ 5.30 (s, 1H), 2.39 (s, 3H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 2.28 (s, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (150 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 163.2, 158.0, 140.5, 136.4, 135.8, 135.6, 133.6, 130.8, 129.8, 129.6, 127.5, 119.7, 112.4, 21.6, 21.6, 21.1.

HRMS-ESI (m/z): $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{24}\text{NOS}_2$ 406.1294; found 406.1319.

Ethyl 3,3-bis(*p*-tolyloxy)acrylate (**3ai**)



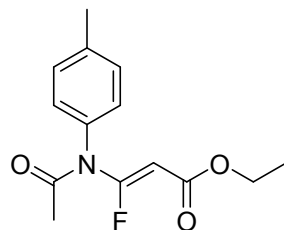
The resultant residue was purified by flash column chromatography (PE/EA=40/1) as a clear liquid. $R_f = 0.20$ (PE/EA = 40/1).

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.21 – 7.03 (m, 6H), 6.93 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 2H), 4.49 (s, 1H), 4.10 (q, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2H), 2.33 – 2.32 (m, 6H), 1.20 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (150 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.4, 166.1, 151.9, 150.5, 136.1, 134.4, 130.7, 130.2, 120.6, 119.0, 80.8, 59.8, 21.1, 21.0, 14.6.

HRMS-ESI (m/z): $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{21}\text{O}_4$ 313.1434; found 313.1441.

Ethyl (Z)-3-fluoro-3-(N-(p-tolyl)acetamido)acrylate (4ak)



4ak

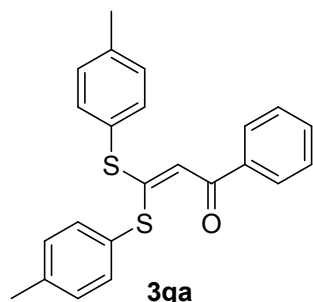
The resultant residue was purified by flash column chromatography (PE/EA=4/1) as a clear liquid. $R_f = 0.25$ (PE/EA = 4/1).

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.26 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.14 (d, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 2H), 5.40 (d, $J = 27.1$ Hz, 1H), 4.18 (q, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 2.39 (s, 4H), 2.13 (s, 3H), 1.27 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (150 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 170.2, 164.0, 159.1, 157.2, 139.5, 136.1, 130.8, 127.7, 94.7, 94.6, 60.7, 23.9, 23.8, 21.3, 14.4.

HRMS-ESI (m/z): $[\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{16}\text{FNNaO}_3$ 288.1006; found 288.0987.

1-Phenyl-3,3-bis(p-tolylthio)prop-2-en-1-one (3ga)



3ga

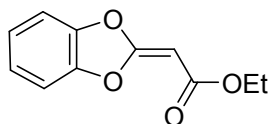
The resultant residue was purified by flash column chromatography (PE/EA=45/1) as a white solid. $R_f = 0.20$ (PE/EA = 45/1). **Mp** 141-142 °C.

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.62 (td, $J = 5.8, 4.0, 2.0$ Hz, 4H), 7.50 – 7.38 (m, 1H), 7.39 – 7.29 (m, 4H), 7.29 – 7.19 (m, 4H), δ 6.41 (s, 1H), 2.41 (s, 3H), 2.40 (s, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (150 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 186.3, 167.8, 140.9, 140.8, 139.2, 136.9, 135.7, 131.9, 130.9, 129.9, 128.5, 128.0, 127.4, 126.4, 112.0, 21.7, 21.6.

HRMS-ESI (m/z): $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{21}\text{OS}_2$ 377.1028; found 377.1031.

Ethyl 2-(benzo[d][1,3]dioxol-2-ylidene)acetate (5am)



5am

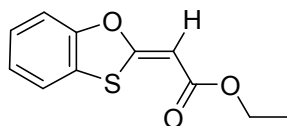
The resultant residue was purified by flash column chromatography (PE /EA = 20/1) as a pale yellow solid. $R_f = 0.20$ (PE/EA = 20/1), **Mp** 84-85 °C.

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.35 – 7.22 (m, 1H), 7.16 – 7.15 (m, 3H), 5.01 (s, 1H), 4.22 (q, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 1.31 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (150 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.6, 166.4, 145.3, 143.8, 124.8, 124.6, 110.7, 109.9, 70.7, 59.9, 14.7.

HRMS-ESI (m/z): $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{11}\text{O}_4$ 207.0652; found 207.0645.

Ethyl (Z)-2-(benzo[d][1,3]oxathiol-2-ylidene)acetate (5an)



5an

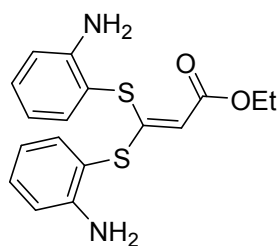
The resultant residue was purified by flash column chromatography (PE/EA=75/1) as a white solid. $R_f = 0.23$ (PE/EA = 75/1), **Mp** 115-116 °C.

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.49 – 7.37 (m, 1H), 7.30 – 7.10 (m, 3H), 5.87 (d, $J = 1.3$ Hz, 1H), 4.25 (q, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2H), 1.43 – 1.21 (m, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (150 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 171.6, 168.5, 152.3, 127.0, 124.7, 124.6, 122.0, 111.3, 89.2, 60.3, 14.7.

HRMS-ESI (m/z): $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{11}\text{O}_3\text{S}$ 223.0423; found 223.0422.

Ethyl 3,3-bis((2-aminophenyl)thio)acrylate (3ao)



3ao

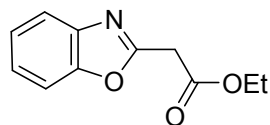
The resultant residue was purified by flash column chromatography (PE/EA=75/1) as a white solid. $R_f = 0.23$ (PE/EA = 75/1), **Mp** 115-116 °C.

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.53 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.28 (dd, $J = 12.8, 5.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.22 (d, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 2H), 6.79 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 2H), 6.70 (q, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 2H), 5.35 (s, 1H), 4.43 (brs, 4H), 4.13 (q, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 2H), 1.24 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (150 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 165.8, 159.2, 150.4, 149.1, 138.5, 137.6, 132.6, 132.5, 119.0, 118.9, 115.8, 115.6, 112.5, 112.0, 107.7, 60.2, 14.6.

HRMS-ESI (m/z): $[\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_2\text{S}_2$ 369.0702; found 369.0700.

Ethyl 2-(benzo[d]oxazol-2-yl)acetate (5aq)



5aq

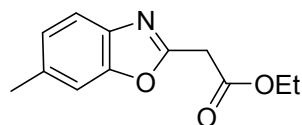
The resultant residue was purified by flash column chromatography (PE/EA=20/1) as a white solid. R_f = 0.20 (PE/EA = 20/1), **Mp** 56-57 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.72 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 7.71 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 7.35– 7.10 (m, 2H), 4.25 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 4.03 (s, 2H), 1.29 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.2, 159.7, 151.3, 141.3, 125.3, 124.6, 120.2, 110.8, 62.1, 35.5, 14.2.

HRMS-ESI (m/z): [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₁H₁₂NO₃ 206.0812; found 206.0813.

Ethyl 2-(6-methylbenzo[d]oxazol-2-yl)acetate (5as)



5as

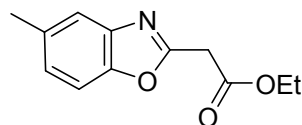
The resultant residue was purified by flash column chromatography (PE/EA=18/1) as a yellow liquid. R_f = 0.20 (PE/EA = 18/1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.57 – 7.46 (s, 1H), 7.46 – 7.37 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.15 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 4.40 – 4.13 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 4.00 (s, 2H), 2.46 (s, 3H), 1.28 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.3, 159.8, 149.6, 141.5, 134.5, 126.4, 120.1, 110.2, 62.1, 35.6, 21.6, 14.3.

HRMS-ESI (m/z): [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₂H₁₄NO₃ 220.0968; found 220.0967.

Ethyl 2-(5-methylbenzo[d]oxazol-2-yl)acetate (5at)



5at

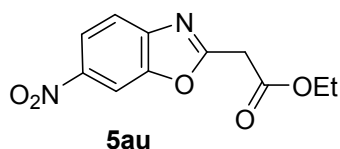
The resultant residue was purified by flash column chromatography (PE/EA=18/1) as a pale yellow solid. R_f = 0.20 (PE/EA = 18/1), **Mp** 58-59 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.49 (s, 1H), 7.39 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.14 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 4.24 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 3.99 (s, 2H), 2.46 (s, 3H), 1.28 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.3, 159.2, 151.6, 139.1, 135.7, 125.8, 119.5, 110.9, 62.1, 35.5, 21.9, 14.3.

HRMS-ESI (m/z): [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₂H₁₄NO₃ 220.0968; found 220.0969.

Ethyl 2-(6-nitrobenzo[d]oxazol-2-yl)acetate (5au)

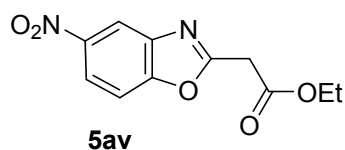


The resultant residue was purified by flash column chromatography (PE/EA=13/1) as a pale yellow solid. R_f = 0.20 (PE/EA = 13/1), **Mp** 77-79 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.46 (dt, J = 6.3, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 8.32 (dq, J = 8.9, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.83 (dd, J = 8.9, 1.7 Hz, 1H), δ 4.28 (q, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 4.10 (s, 2H), 1.31 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H).
¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.4, 164.5, 150.4, 146.5, 145.6, 120.8, 120.4, 107.6, 62.5, 35.7, 14.3.

HRMS-ESI (m/z): [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₁H₁₁N₂O₅ 251.0662; found 251.0665.

Ethyl 2-(5-nitrobenzo[d]oxazol-2-yl)acetate (5av)



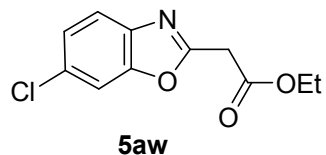
The resultant residue was purified by flash column chromatography (PE/EA=20/1) as a pale yellow solid. R_f = 0.20 (PE/EA = 20/1), **Mp** 87-88 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.46 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 8.32 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.91 – 7.78 (m, 1H), 4.27 (q, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 4.10 (s, 2H), 1.31 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.1, 159.6, 150.6, 139.3, 130.3, 124.6, 120.0, 110.7, 61.4, 34.6, 13.5.

HRMS-ESI (m/z): [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₁H₁₀N₂O₅ 251.0662; found 251.0663.

Ethyl 2-(6-chlorobenzo[d]oxazol-2-yl)acetate (5aw)



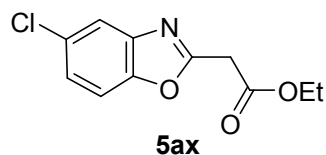
The resultant residue was purified by flash column chromatography (PE/EA=15/1) as a black solid. R_f = 0.21 (PE/EA = 15/1), **Mp** 85-86 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.63 (dt, J = 8.5, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (q, J = 1.9, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (dt, J = 8.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H), δ 4.25 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 4.01 (s, 2H), 1.29 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.1, 159.6, 150.6, 139.3, 130.3, 124.6, 120.0, 110.7, 61.4, 34.6, 13.5.

HRMS-ESI (m/z): [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₁H₁₁ClNO₃ 240.0422; found 240.0419.

Ethyl 2-(5-chlorobenzo[d]oxazol-2-yl)acetate (5ax)



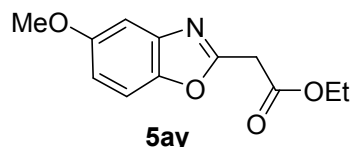
The resultant residue was purified by flash column chromatography (PE/EA=30/1) as a pale yellow solid. $R_f = 0.23$ (PE/EA = 30/1), **Mp** 85-86 °C.

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.70 (q, $J = 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.45 (dt, $J = 8.7, 1.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.32 (dq, $J = 8.7, 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 4.25 (q, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 3H), 4.01 (s, 3H), 1.29 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 5H).

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (150 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.9, 161.2, 149.9, 142.4, 130.2, 125.7, 120.3, 111.6, 62.3, 35.5, 14.3.

HRMS-ESI (m/z): $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{11}\text{ClNO}_3$ 240.0422; found 240.0419.

Ethyl 2-(5-methoxybenzo[d]oxazol-2-yl)acetate (5ay)



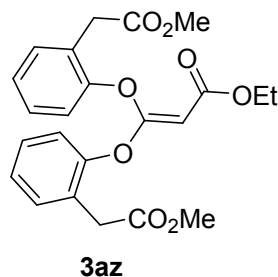
The resultant residue was purified by flash column chromatography (PE/EA=30/1) as a white liquid. $R_f = 0.21$ (PE/EA = 10/1).

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.40 (dd, $J = 8.9, 1.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.19 (d, $J = 1.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.01 – 6.86 (m, 1H), 4.24 (q, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2H), 3.99 (s, 2H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 1.28 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (150 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.2, 160.5, 157.4, 146.0, 142.2, 113.9, 110.9, 103.2, 62.1, 56.1, 35.6, 14.3.

HRMS-ESI (m/z): $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{14}\text{NO}_4$ 236.0917; found 236.0916.

Dimethyl 2,2'-(((3-ethoxy-3-oxoprop-1-ene-1,1-diyl)bis(oxy))bis(2,1-phenylene))diacetate (3az)



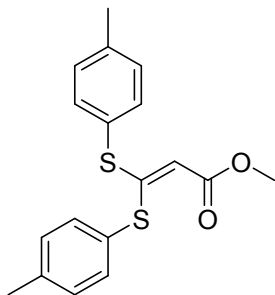
The resultant residue was purified by flash column chromatography (PE/EA=5/1) as a clear liquid. $R_f = 0.21$ (PE/EA = 5/1).

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.48 – 6.83 (m, 8H), δ 4.35 (s, 1H), 4.03 (q, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2H), 3.72 (s, 2H), 3.60 (s, 3H), 3.53 (s, 3H), 3.44 (s, 2H), 1.12 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (150 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 171.5, 170.9, 165.7, 164.9, 151.8, 150.7, 132.0, 131.4, 129.3, 128.5, 126.7, 126.6, 126.2, 125.4, 121.2, 119.8, 79.9, 59.7, 52.2, 52.1, 35.4, 35.3, 14.5.

HRMS-ESI (m/z): $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{25}\text{O}_8$ 429.1544; found 429.1550.

Methyl 3,3-bis(p-tolylthio)acrylate (3ha)



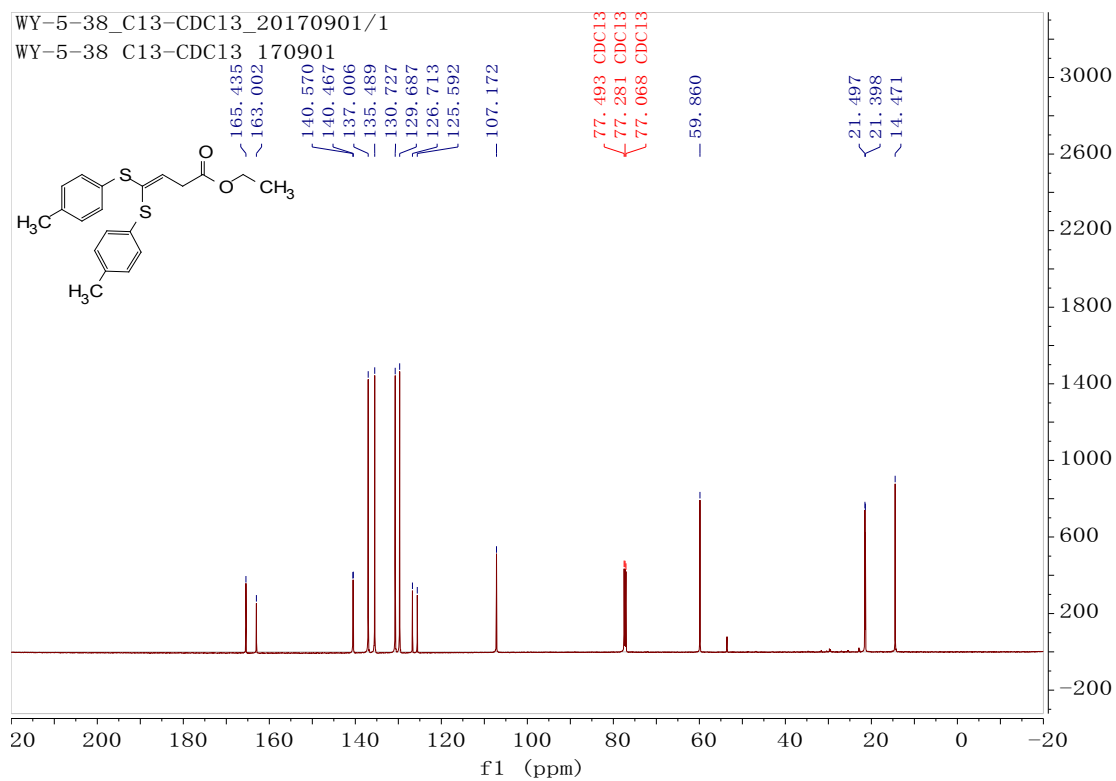
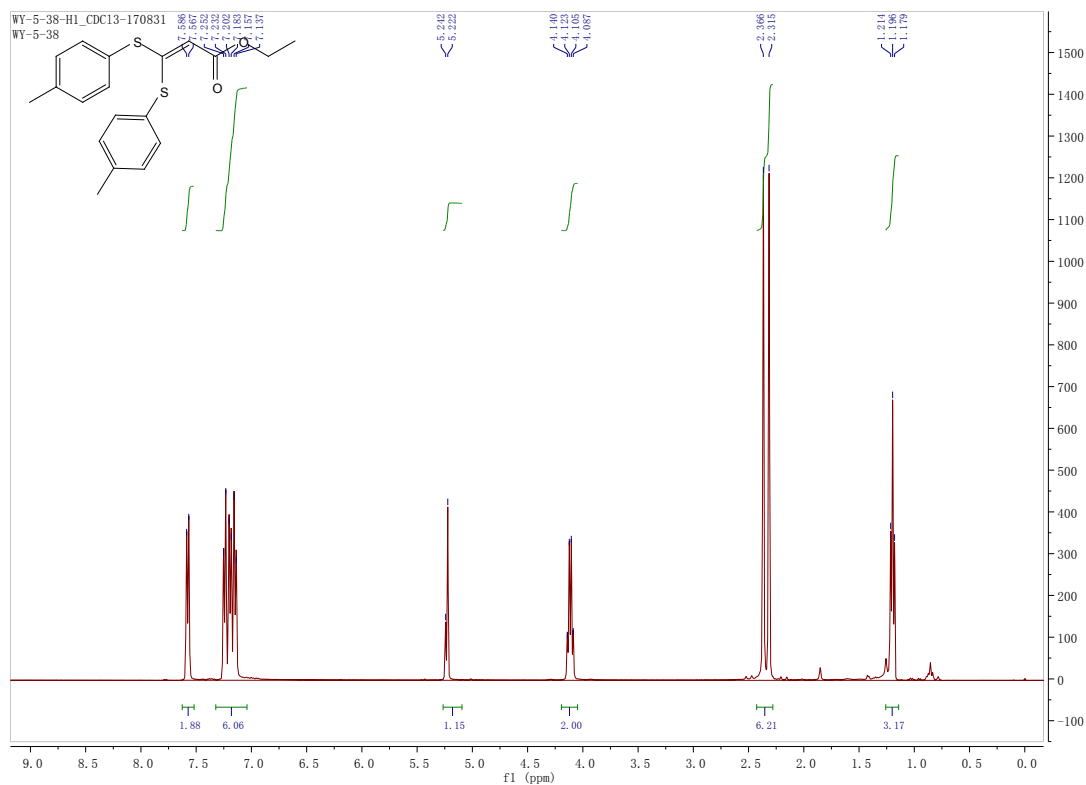
The resultant residue was purified by flash column chromatography (PE/EA=15/1) as a white foamy solid. R_f = 0.21 (PE/EA = 15/1). **Mp** 82-83 °C.

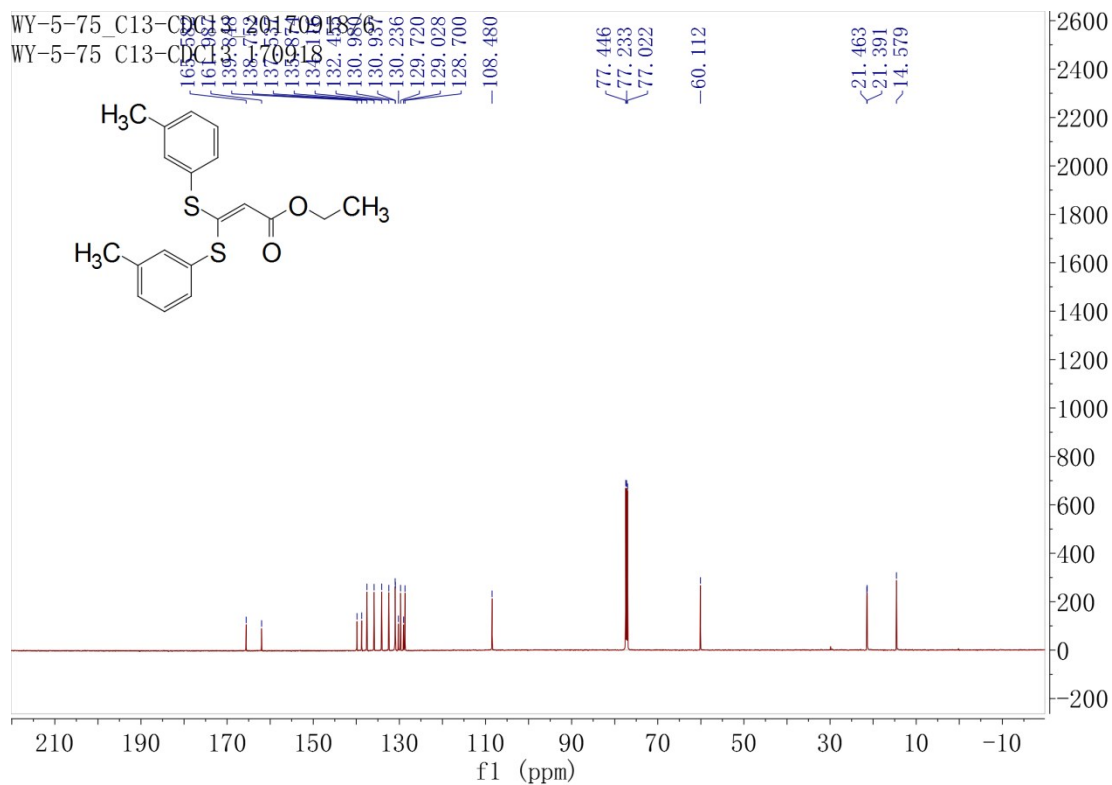
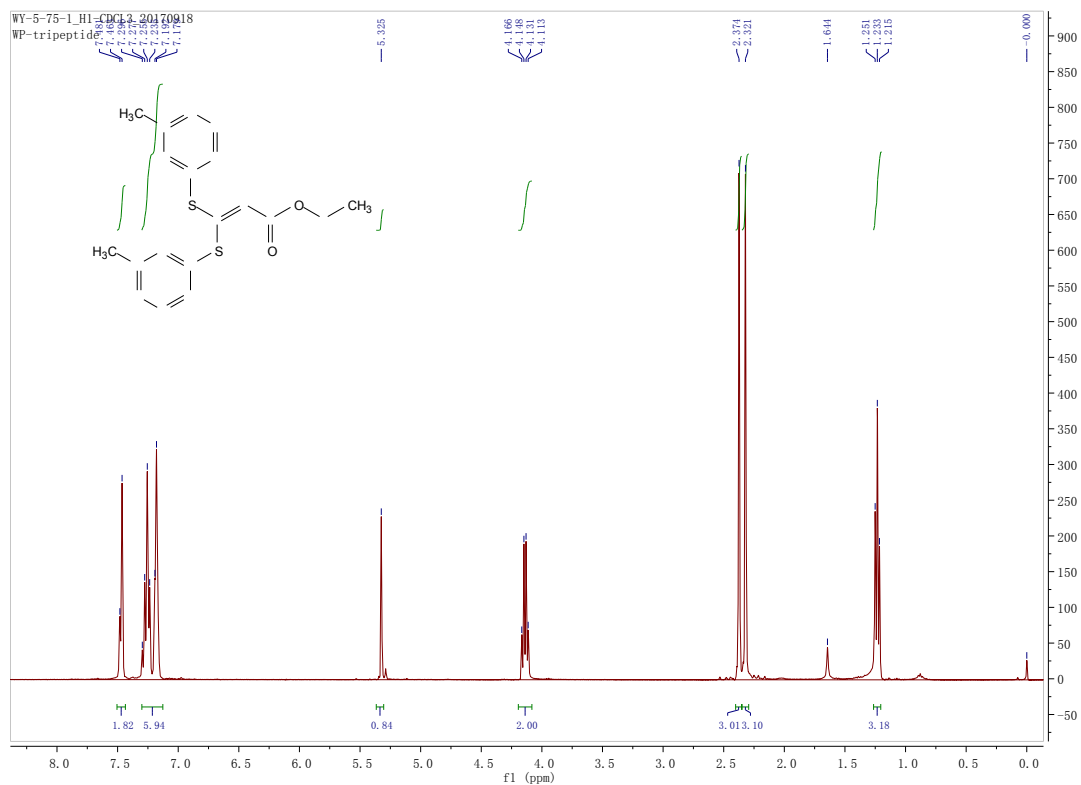
$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.59 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.35 – 6.93 (m, 6H), 5.19 (s, 1H), 3.65 (s, 3H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 2.36 (s, 3H).

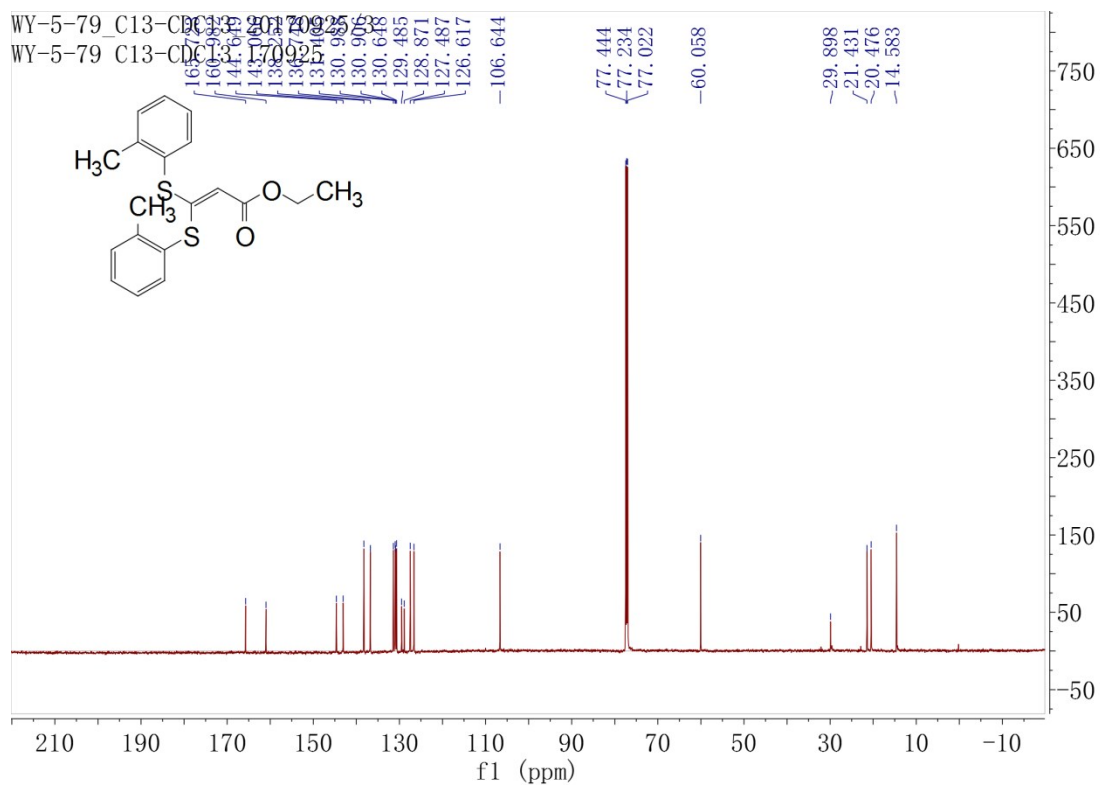
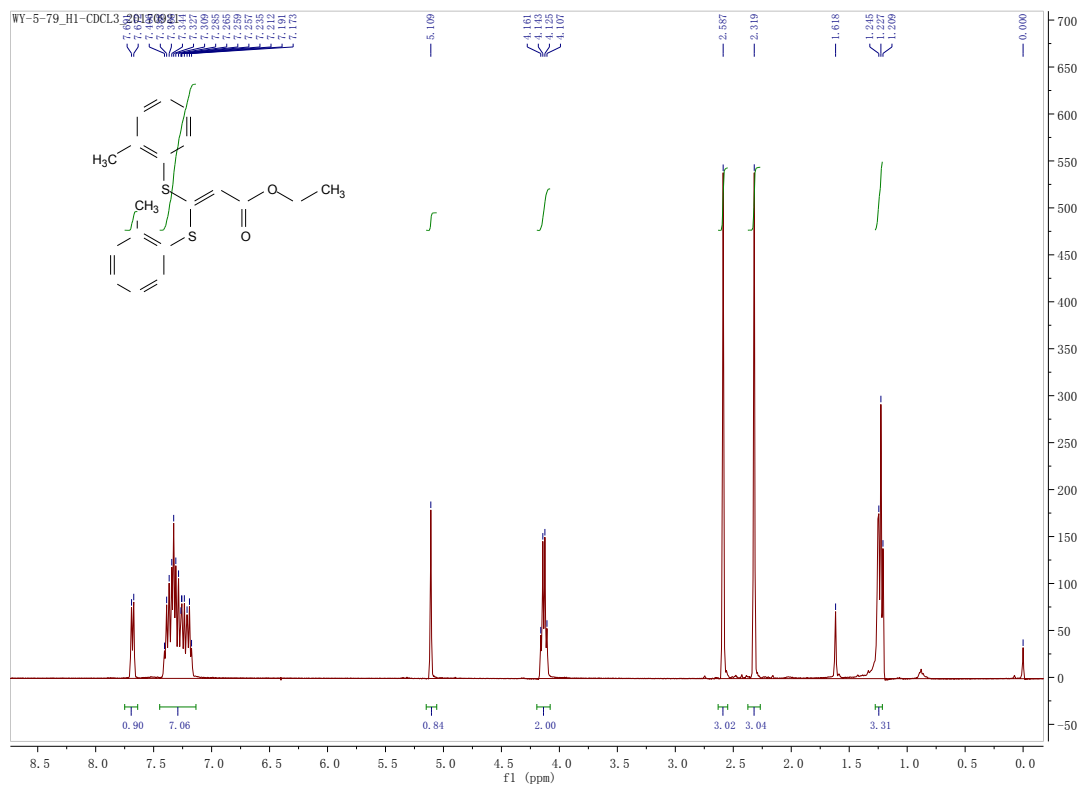
$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (150 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.0, 163.8, 140.8, 140.7, 137.2, 135.7, 130.9, 129.9, 126.9, 125.6, 106.8, 51.3, 21.7, 21.5.

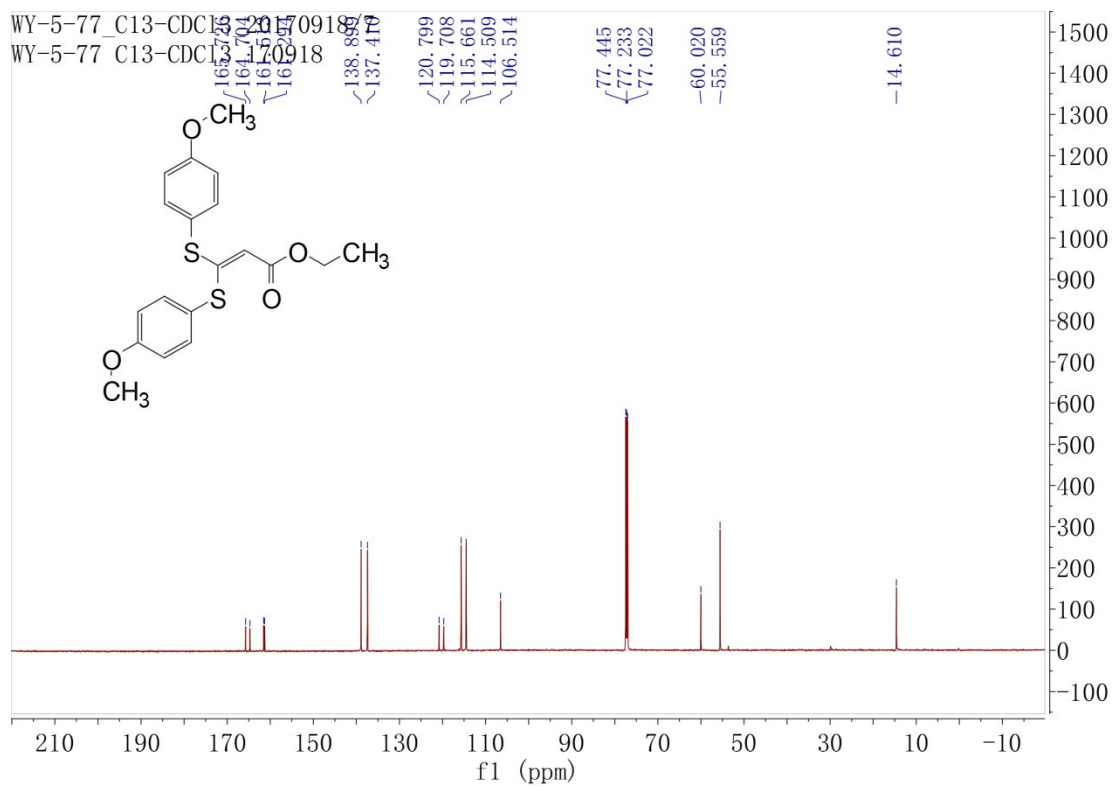
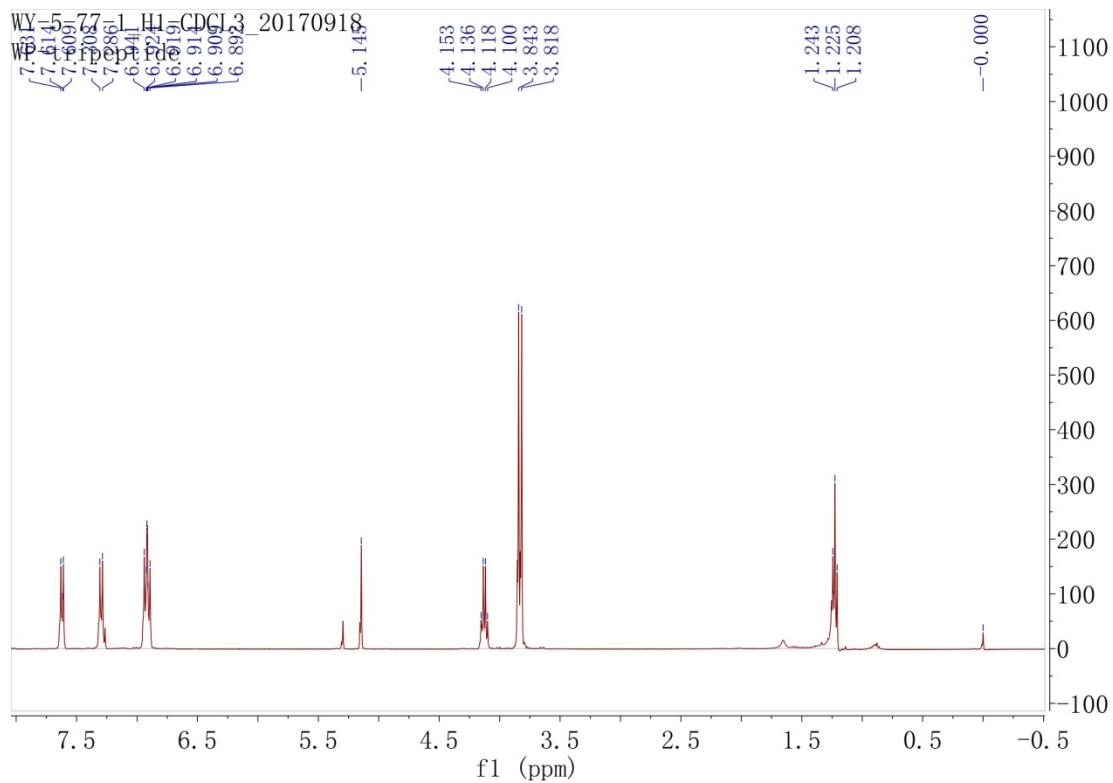
HRMS-ESI (m/z): $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{19}\text{O}_2\text{S}_2$ 331.0821; found 331.0826.

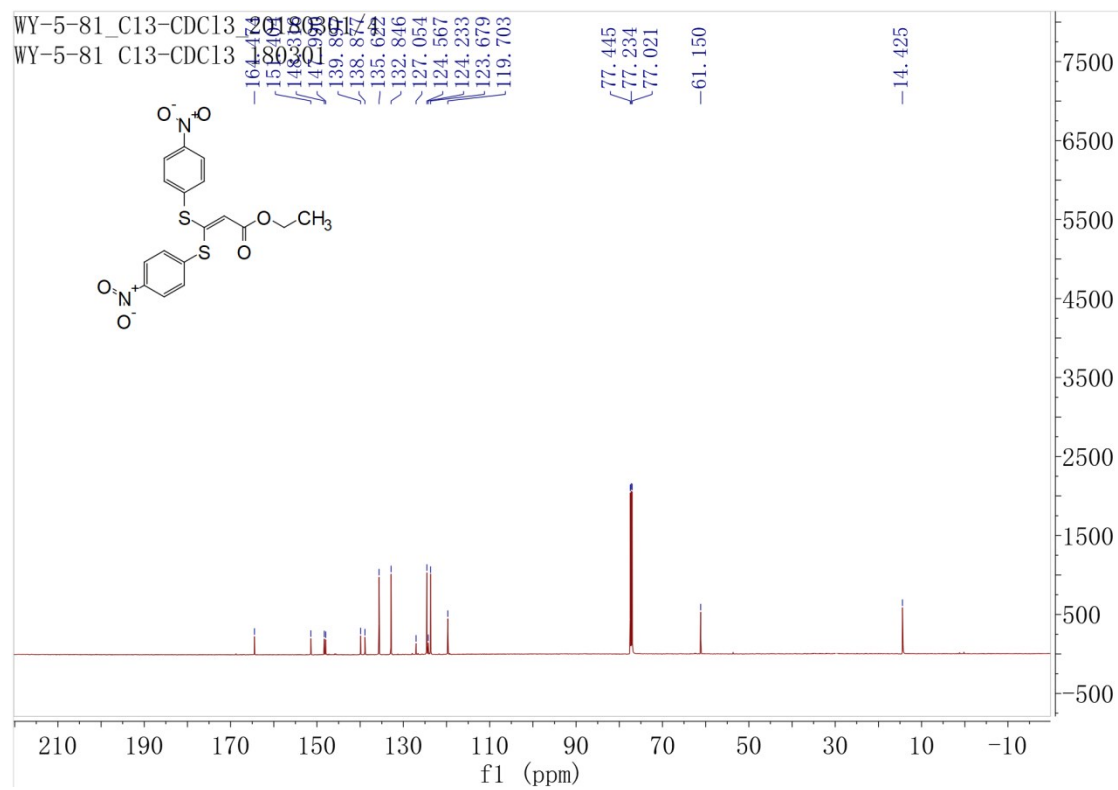
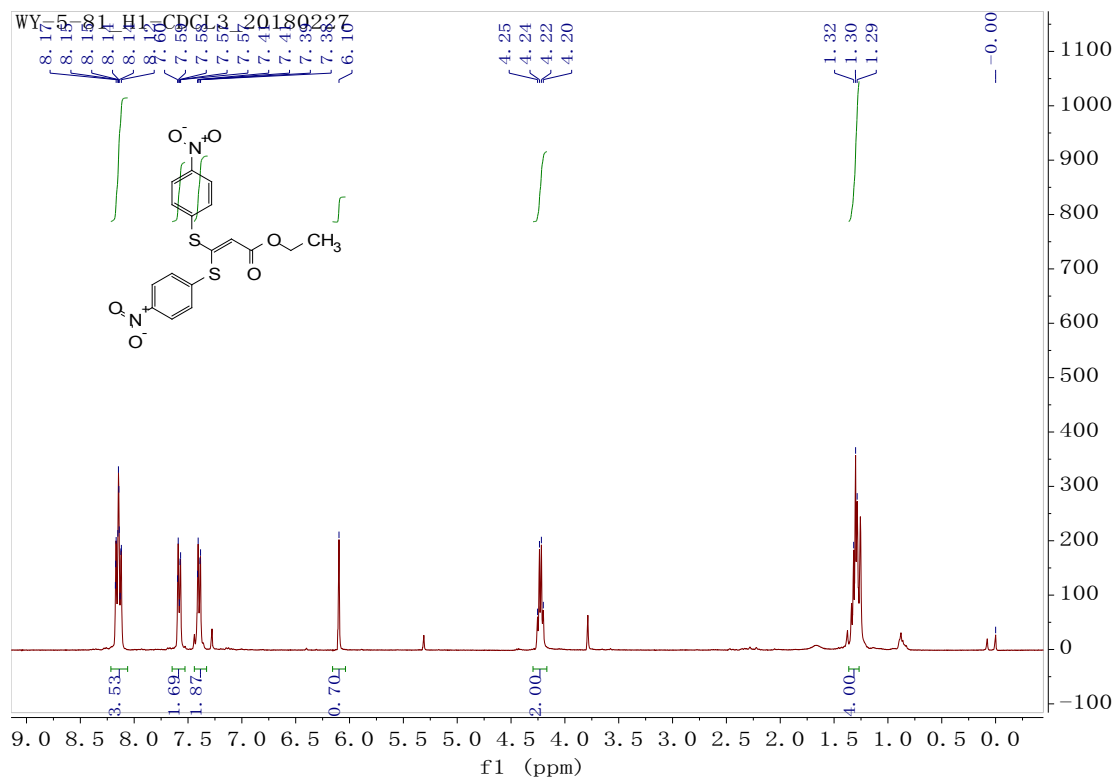
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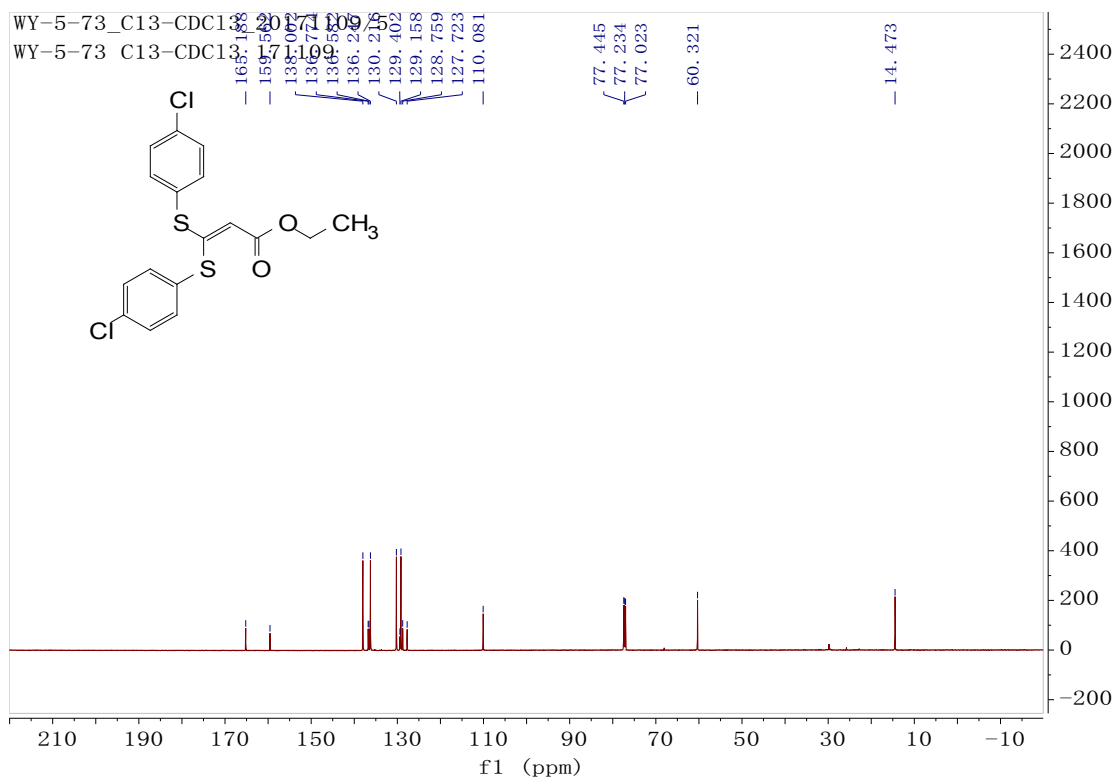
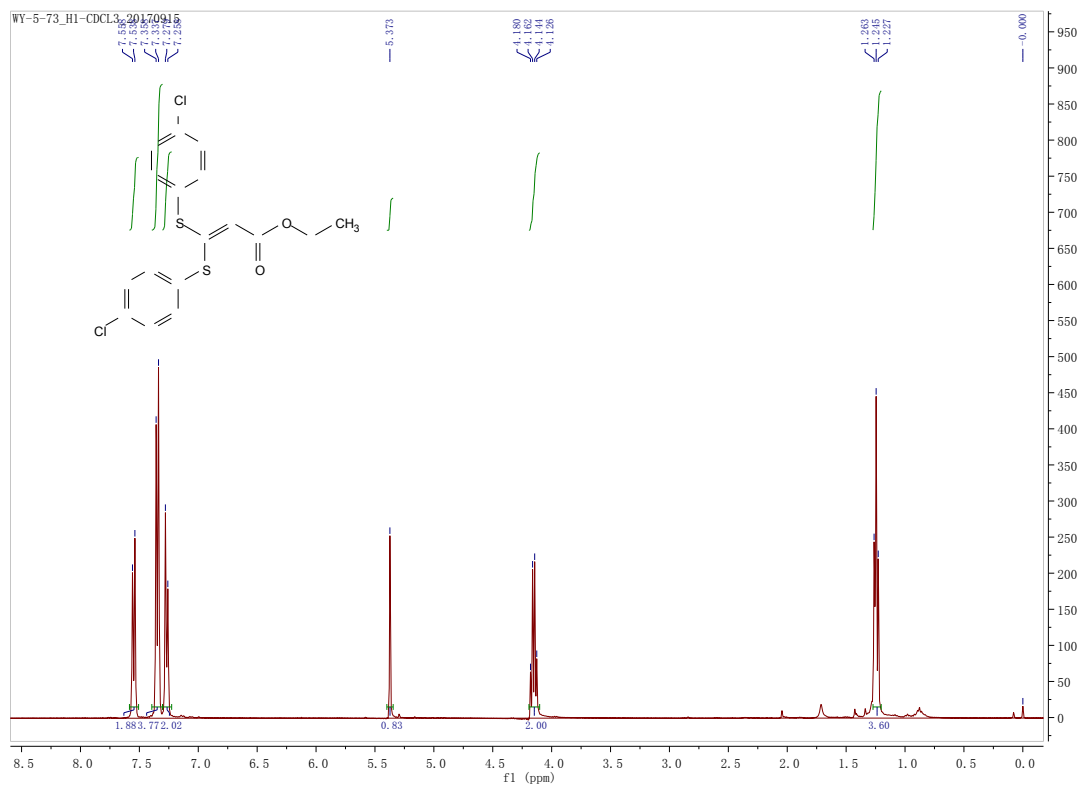


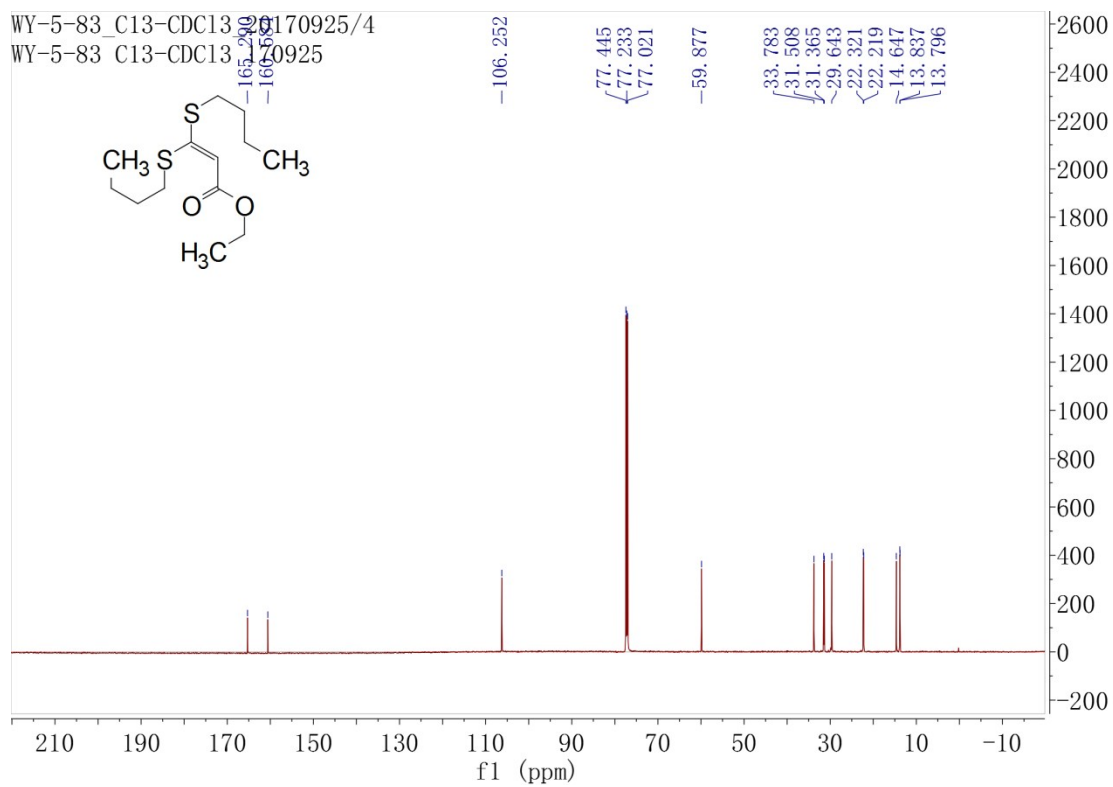
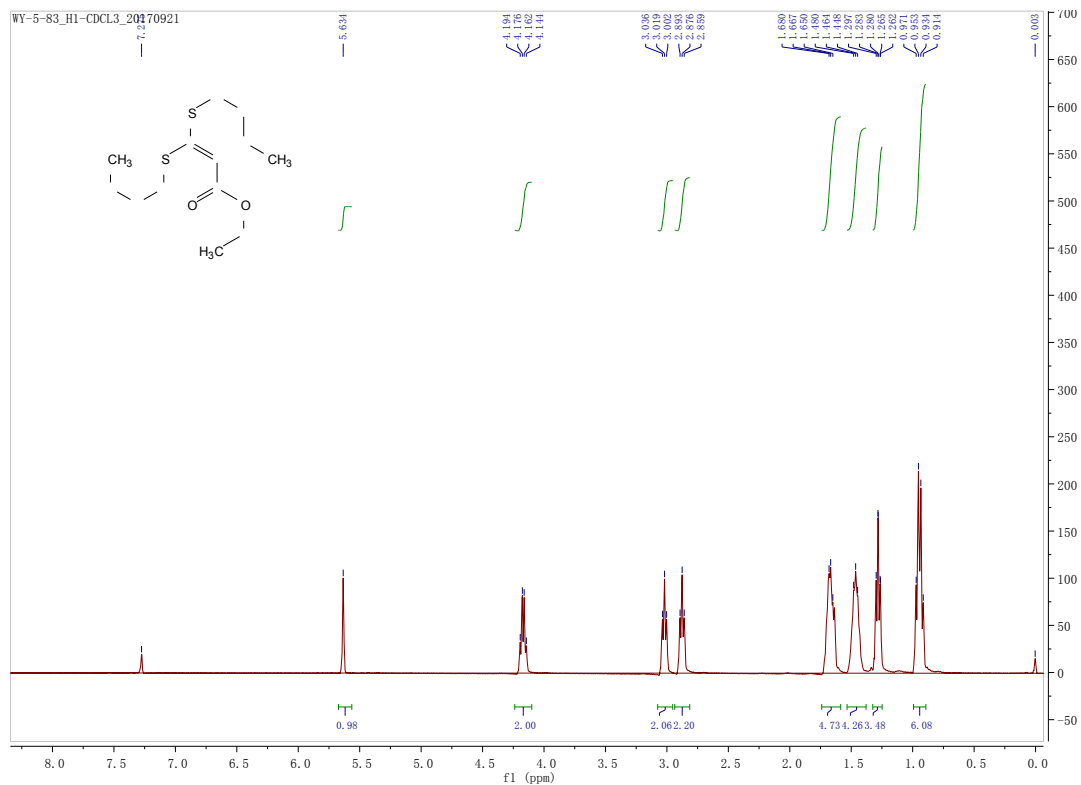












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