Tetrakis(trifluoromethanesulfonyl)propane: Highly Effective Brønsted Acid Catalyst for Vinylogous Mukaiyama-Michael Reaction of α,β-Enones with Silyloxyfurans

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1. General and materials

All reactions were carried out under argon atmosphere. ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were taken on Varian Mercury300 or Brucker DPX400 spectrometers, and chemical shifts were reported in parts per million (ppm) using CHCl₃ (7.26 ppm) in CDCl₃ for ¹H NMR, and CDCl₃ (77.01 ppm) for ¹³C NMR as an internal standard, respectively. Infrared (IR) spectra were recorded on JASCO FT/IR-620 or JASCO FT/IR-4100 infrared spectrophotometers. Mass spectra (MS) were obtained on a Micromass LCT (ESI-TOF) or a Micromass Auto Spec (EI). Medium pressure liquid chromatography (MPLC) was performed using prepacked column (KUSANO Prepacked column Si-10, 40 x 300 mm I. D., silica gel, 50 μm) with RI detector.

2. Preparation of 1,1,3,3-tetrakis(trifluoromethanesulfonyl)propane (1)

This compound was prepared by the reported procedure.¹ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.46 (2H, t, J = 7.0 Hz), 5.83 (2H, t, J = 7.0 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 22.8, 72.5, 119.3 (q, J_{C-F} = 329.6 Hz); ¹⁹F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -9.5 (12F, s). Structure was confirmed by X-ray crystallographic analysis (CCDC 674990). Crystal data. C₇H₄F₁₂O₈S₄, M = 572.34, monoclinic, a = 9.9367(9), b = 16.5820(15), c = 10.9892(10) Å, *Volume* = 1760.0(3), T = 100 K, space group P 21/c, Z = 4.

3. Preparation of α,β -unsaturated ketones (2)

4-Methylpent-3-en-2-one $\mathbf{2a}$ and but-3-en-2-one $\mathbf{2c}$ are available commercially. 1-Cyclohexylideneacetone $\mathbf{2b}$, 2 1-phenylprop-2-en-1-one $\mathbf{2d}$ and 1-(4-bromophenyl)prop-2-en-1-one $\mathbf{2e}$ 4 were prepared by the reported procedure.

4. Preparation of 2-silyloxyfurans

tert-Butyl(2-furyloxy)dimethylsilane, ⁵ *tert*-butyl(dimethyl)[(3-methyl-2-furyl)oxy]silane, ⁶ and *tert*-butyl(dimethyl)[(4-methyl-2-furyl)oxy]silane⁶ were prepared by the reported procedure.

tert-Butyl(dimethyl)[(5-methyl-2-furyl)oxy]silane. To a solution of 5-methylfuran-2(3H)-one (0.9 mL, 10 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (2 mL), tert-butyl(dimethyl)silyl trifluoromethanesulfonate (2.1 mL, 10 mmol) and Et₃N (2.1 mL 15 mmol) were added at 0 °C. After being stirred at room temperature for 2 h, extractive work-up and purification by silica gel column chromatography (hexane) gave tert-butyl(dimethyl)[(5-methyl-2-furyl)oxy]silane (1.27 g, 6.0 mmol, 60% yield) as colorless oil. IR (neat) 1628, 1592 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.27 (6H, s), 1.01 (9H, s), 2.19 (3H, s), 4.99 (1H, d, J = 3.0 Hz), 5.75-5.80 (1H, m); ¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -4.9, 13.5, 18.1, 25.6, 83.7, 106.1, 141.3, 155.3; MS (EI) m/z 212 [M]⁺. Anal. Calcd for C₁₁H₂₀O₂Si: C, 62.21; H, 9.49. Found: C, 61.97; H, 9.25.

5. Vinylogous Mukaiyama-Michael reaction of α,β-enones (2) with silyloxyfurans catalyzed by carbon acid

5-(1,1-Dimethyl-3-oxobutyl)furan-2(5*H***)-one (3a).** To a solution of **1** in CH₂Cl₂ (0.25 mM solution, 1.0 mL, 0.25 μmol), a solution of **2a** (49 mg, 0.50 mmol) and *tert*-butyl(2-furyloxy)dimethylsilane (109 mg, 0.55 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (1 mL) were added at -78 °C over 10 min. After being stirred for 2 h at -24 °C, reaction mixture was quenched with saturated NaHCO₃ aqueous solution and extracted with EtOAc (20 mL x 3). The organic layer was dried over MgSO₄, then it was concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting residue was treated by 1 M HCl (10 mL) in THF (10 mL) for 30 min at room temperature. The reaction mixture was diluted with H₂O (10 mL), extracted with EtOAc (20 mL x 3), dried over MgSO₄ and evaporated. Purification of the resulting residue by column chromatography on silica gel (hexane / EtOAc = 2 : 1) gave **3a** (80.1 mg, 0.44 mmol, 88% yield) as colorless oil. IR (neat) 1754, 1713 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ0.91 (3H, s), 1.17 (3H, s), 2.14 (3H, s), 2.40 (1H, d, *J* = 17.1 Hz), 2.69 (1H, d, *J* = 17.1 Hz), 5.26-5.28 (1H, m), 6.15 (1H, dd, *J* = 5.8, 2.1 Hz), 7.47 (1H, dd, *J* = 5.8, 1.5 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 22.3, 22.9, 31.7, 36.7, 50.2, 88.1, 122.3, 154.3, 172.8, 207.3; MS (ESI-TOF) m/z; 183 [M+H]⁺; HRMS calcd for C₁₀H₁₅O₃ [M+H]⁺, 183.1021; found, 183.1012. Anal. Calcd for C₁₀H₁₄O₃: C, 65.91; H, 7.74. Found: C, 65.74; H, 7.70.

5-[1-(2-Oxopropyl)cyclohexyl]furan-2(5*H***)-one (3b).** According to the synthesis of **3a**, **3b** was obtained in 90% yield (100.0 mg, 0.45 mmol) by the reaction of (*tert*-buthyldimethylsilyloxy)furan (109 mg, 0.55 mmol) and **2b** (69 mg, 0.50 mmol) in the presence of **1a** (0.74 mg, 1.3 μ mol) at -24 °C for 3 h. Colorless oil. IR (neat) 1757, 1713 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.10-1.45 (5H, m), 1.45-1.63 (4H, m), 1.74-1.82 (1H, m), 2.12 (3H, s), 2.54

(1H, d, J = 17.4 Hz), 2.67 (1H, d, J = 17.4 Hz), 5.34-5.37 (1H, m), 6.07 (1H, dd, J = 5.8, 2.1 Hz), 7.51 (1H, dd, J = 5.8, 1.4 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 21.0, 21.1, 25.6, 30.5, 30.6, 32.1, 40.3, 43.6, 87.7, 121.9, 154.7, 172.9, 208.2; MS (ESI-TOF) m/z 223 [M+H]⁺; HRMS calcd for C₁₃H₁₉O₃ [M+H]⁺, 223.1334; found, 223.1320. Anal. Calcd for C₁₃H₁₈O₃: C, 70.24; H, 8.16. Found: C, 70.45; H, 8.12.

5-(3-Oxobutyl)furan-2(5*H***)-one (3c).** According to the synthesis of **3a**, the reaction of **2c** (35 mg, 0.50 mmol) and *tert*-butyl(2-furyloxy)dimethylsilane (109 mg, 0.55 mmol) in the presence of **1** (0.14 mg 0.25 μmol) for 2 h at -78 °C give 1,4-adduct **3c** (63.1 mg, 0.41 mmol, 82% yield). The structure was confirmed by comparison of spectrum data with those reported in the literature.⁷

5-(3-Oxo-3-phenylpropyl)furan-2(5*H***)-one (3d).** To a solution of *tert*-butyl(2-furyloxy)dimethylsilane (109 mg, 0.55 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂(1 mL), a solution of **1** (1.5 mM in CH₂Cl₂, 2.0 mL, 0.50 μmol) and **2d** (66 mg, 0.50 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (0.8 mL) were added at -78 °C over 10 min. After being stirred for 1 h at -78 °C, reaction mixture was quenched with saturated NaHCO₃ aqueous solution and extracted with EtOAc (20 mL x 3). The organic layer was dried over MgSO₄, then it was concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting residue was treated by TfOH (150 mg, 1.0 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (100 mL) for 1h at -78 °C. The reaction mixture was diluted with H₂O (50 mL), extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (40 mL), dried over MgSO₄ and evaporated. Purification of the resulting residue by column chromatography on silica gel (hexane/EtOAc = 3 : 1) gave **3d** (96.2 mg, 0.45 mmol, 89% yield) as white solid. Mp. 91.1-91.5 °C. IR (KBr) 1769, 1682 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.97-2.03 (1H, m), 2.37-2.48 (1H, m), 3.08-3.28 (2H, m), 5.17-5.27 (1H, m), 6.11 (1H, dd, J = 5.7, 2.0 Hz), 7.44-7.52 (3H, m), 7.55-7.61 (1H, m), 7.93-7.98 (2H, m); ¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 27.1, 33.2, 82.3, 121.6, 127.9, 128.6, 133.3, 136.4, 156.2, 172.8, 198.5; MS (ESI-TOF) m/z 239 [M+Na]⁺; HRMS calcd for C₁₃H₁₂NaO₃ [M+Na]⁺, 239.0684; found, 239.0671.

5-[3-(4-Bromophenyl)-3-oxopropyl]furan-2(5*H***)-one (3e).** According to the synthesis of 3d, 3e was obtained in 88% yield (129.9 mg, 0.44 mmol) by the reaction of 2e (106 mg, 0.50 mmol) and *tert*-butyl(2-furyloxy)dimethylsilane (109 mg, 0.55 mmol) in the presence of 1 (0.14 mg 0.25 μmol) for 1 h at -78 °C. White solid. Mp. 84.3-84.9 °C. IR (KBr) 1746, 1687 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.88-1.99 (1H, m), 2.40 (1H, dtd, J = 14.5, 7.3, 3.8 Hz), 3.03-3.23 (2H, m), 5.16-5.22 (1H, m), 6.12 (1H, dd, J = 5.7, 2.0 Hz), 7.49 (1H, dd, J = 5.7, 1.5 Hz), 7.58-7.63 (2H, m), 7.78-7.83 (2H, m); ¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 27.1, 33.3, 82.1, 121.8, 128.7, 129.5, 132.0, 135.2, 156.0, 172.7, 197.5; MS (ESI-TOF) m/z 295 [M+H]⁺; HRMS calcd for C₁₃H₁₂BrO₃ [M+H]⁺, 294.9970; found, 294.9966. Anal. Calcd for C₁₃H₁₁BrO₃: C, 52.91; H, 3.76. Found: C, 52.61; H, 4.00.

5-(1,1-Dimethyl-3-oxobutyl)-3-methylfuran-2(5H)-one (3f) and

5-(1-{[tert-butyl(dimethyl)silyl]oxy}-1,3-dimethylbut-2-enyl)-3-methylfuran-2(5*H***)-one (4***f***). According to the synthesis of 3a**, the reaction of **2a** (49 mg, 0.50 mmol) and *tert*-butyl(dimethyl) [(3-methyl-2-furyl)oxy]silane (117 mg, 0.55 mmol) in the presence of **1** (0.71 mg 1.3 μmol) for 2 h at -78 °C give 1,4-adduct **3f** (82.3 mg, 0.42 mmol, 84% yield) and two diastereomers of 1,2-adduct **4f** (major isomer, 2.1 mg, 0.007 mmol 1.3% yield; miner isomer, 2.0

mg 0.006 mmol, 1.3% yield).

3f Colorless oil. IR (neat) 1756, 1713 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.89 (3H, s), 1.14 (3H, s), 1.92-1.94 (3H, m), 2.14 (3H, s), 2.38 (1H, d, J = 16.9 Hz), 2.65 (1H, d, J = 16.9 Hz), 5.03-5.08 (1H, m), 7.04 (1H, t, J = 1.5 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.8, 22.4, 23.3, 32.0, 37.1, 50.5, 86.1, 131.2, 146.4, 174.2, 207.7; MS (ESI-TOF) m/z 197 [M+H]⁺; HRMS calcd for C₁₁H₁₇O₃ [M+H]⁺, 197.1178; found, 197.1186. Anal. Calcd for C₁₁H₁₆O₃: C, 67.32; H, 8.22. Found: C, 67.30; H, 8.24.

4f For major isomer: colorless oil. IR (neat) 1767 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, C₆D₆) δ 0.11 (6H, s), 0.96 (9H, s), 1.26 (3H, s), 1.52 (3H, d, J = 1.3 Hz), 1.64 (3H, t, J = 1.8 Hz), 1.69 (3H, d, J = 1.3 Hz), 4.47-4.51 (1H, m), 4.92-4.96 (1H, m) 6.42-6.46 (1H, m); ¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, C₆D₆) δ -2.3, -1.9, 10.6, 18.5, 19.4, 26.1, 26.1, 27.6, 77.2, 86.8, 127.6, 131.4, 136.4, 145.6, 173.2; MS (ESI-TOF) m/z 333 [M+Na]⁺; HRMS calcd for C₁₇H₃₀NaO₃Si [M+Na]⁺, 333.1862; found, 333.1877. For miner isomer: colorless oil. IR (neat) 1767 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, C₆D₆) δ 0.06 (3H, s), 0.09 (3H, s), 0.91 (9H, s), 1.26 (3H, s), 1.55 (3H, d, J = 1.3 Hz), 1.58 (3H, d, J = 1.3 Hz), 1.69 (3H, t, J = 1.7 Hz), 4.46-4.50 (1H, m), 5.09-5.14 (1H, m), 6.48-6.52 (1H, m); ¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, C₆D₆) δ -2.3, -1.9, 10.7, 18.4, 19.5, 25.5, 26.1, 27.5, 76.3, 85.9, 129.7, 131.5, 135.4, 145.8, 173.4; MS (ESI-TOF) m/z 333 [M+Na]⁺; HRMS calcd for C₁₇H₃₀NaO₃Si [M+Na]⁺, 333.1862; found, 333.1880.

5-(1,1-Dimethyl-3-oxobutyl)-4-methylfuran-2(5H)-one (3g) and

5-(1-{[tert-butyl(dimethyl)silyl]oxy}-1,3-dimethylbut-2-enyl)-4-methylfuran-2(5*H***)-one (4g). According to the synthesis of 3a**, the reaction of **2a** (49 mg, 0.50 mmol) and *tert*-butyl [(1-ethoxyvinyl)oxy]dimethylsilane (159 mg, 0.75 mmol) in the presence of **1** (0.71 mg 1.3 μmol) for 2 h at -78 °C give 1,4-adduct **3g** (72.0 mg, 0.39 mmol, 78% yield) and two diastereomers of 1,2-adduct **4g** (major isomer, 9.4 mg, 0.03 mmol 6.3% yield; miner isomer, 2.6 mg 0.009 mmol, 1.8% yield).

3g colorless oil. IR (neat) 1763, 1713 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.83 (3H, s), 1.18 (3H, s), 2.09 (3H, s), 2.13-2.15 (3H, m), 2.64 (1H, d, J = 17.4 Hz), 2.74 (1H, d, J = 17.4 Hz), 5.15 (1H, brs), 5.78 (1H, quin, J = 1.5 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 16.5, 22.4, 23.6, 31.5, 36.9, 51.7, 88.8, 119.1, 167.6, 172.6, 207.5; MS (ESI-TOF) m/z 219 [M+Na]⁺; HRMS calcd for C₁₁H₁₆NaO₃ [M+Na]⁺, 219,0997; found, 219.0977. Anal. Calcd for C₁₁H₁₆O₃: C, 67.32; H, 8.22. Found: C, 67.31; H, 8.21.

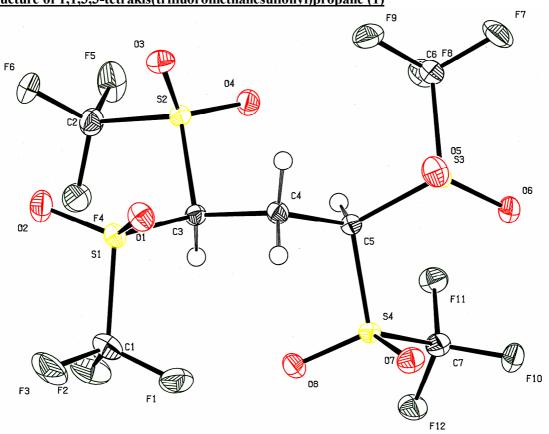
4g For major isomer: colorless oil. IR (neat) 1767 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, C₆D₆) δ 0.03 (3H, s), 0.06 (3H, s), 0.89 (9H, s), 1.21 (3H, s), 1.52 (3H, s), 1.53 (3H, s), 1.67-1.70 (3H, m), 5.17 (1H, s), 5.28 (1H, s), 5.51 (1H, m); ¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, C₆D₆) δ -2.3, -1.8, 16.0, 18.4, 19.4, 24.9, 26.2, 27.4, 76.5, 88.4, 119.5, 131.1, 134.4, 166.5, 171.9; MS (ESI-TOF) m/z 333 [M+Na]⁺; HRMS calcd for C₁₇H₃₀NaO₃Si [M+Na]⁺, 333.1862; found, 333.1881. For miner isomer: colorless oil. IR (neat) 1769 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, C₆D₆) δ 0.09 (3H, s), 0.11 (3H, s), 0.93 (9H, s), 1.40 (3H, s), 1.50 (3H, d, J = 1.4), 1.52-1.56 (3H, m), 1.70 (3H, d, J = 1.4 Hz), 4.31 (1H, brs), 4.88 (1H, brs), 5.43-5.46 (1H, m); ¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, C₆D₆) δ -2.1, -2.0, 16.1, 18.4, 19.2, 26.2, 26.7, 27.8, 77.9, 89.5, 119.3, 126.9, 136.7, 166.2, 171.5; MS (ESI-TOF) m/z 333 [M+Na]⁺; HRMS calcd for C₁₇H₃₀NaO₃Si [M+Na]⁺, 333.1862; found, 333.1854.

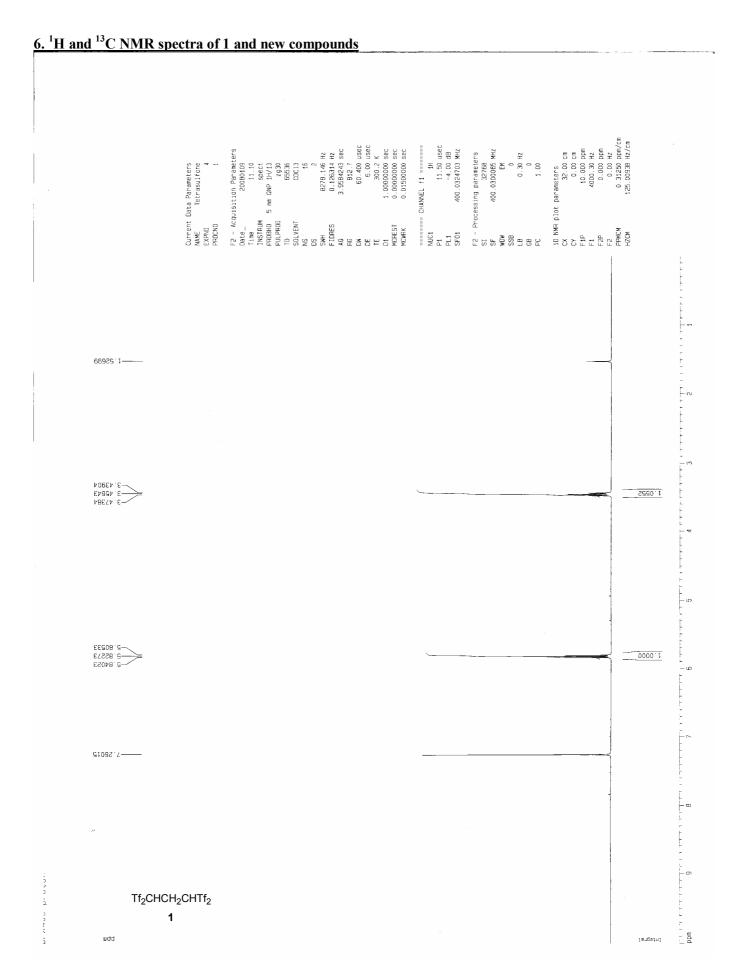
3-(1,1-dimethyl-3-oxobutyl)-5-methylfuran-2(3*H***)-one (5).** According to the synthesis of **3a**, the reaction of **2a** (49 mg, 0.50 mmol) and *tert*-butyl(dimethyl) [(5-methyl-2-furyl)oxy]silane (159 mg, 0.75 mmol) in the presence of **1** (0.71 mg 1.3 μ mol) for 2 h at -78 °C, then 2h at -24 °C gave **3h** (51.0 mg, 0.28 mmol, 55% yield) and **5** (27.0 mg, 0.15 mmol 29% yield).

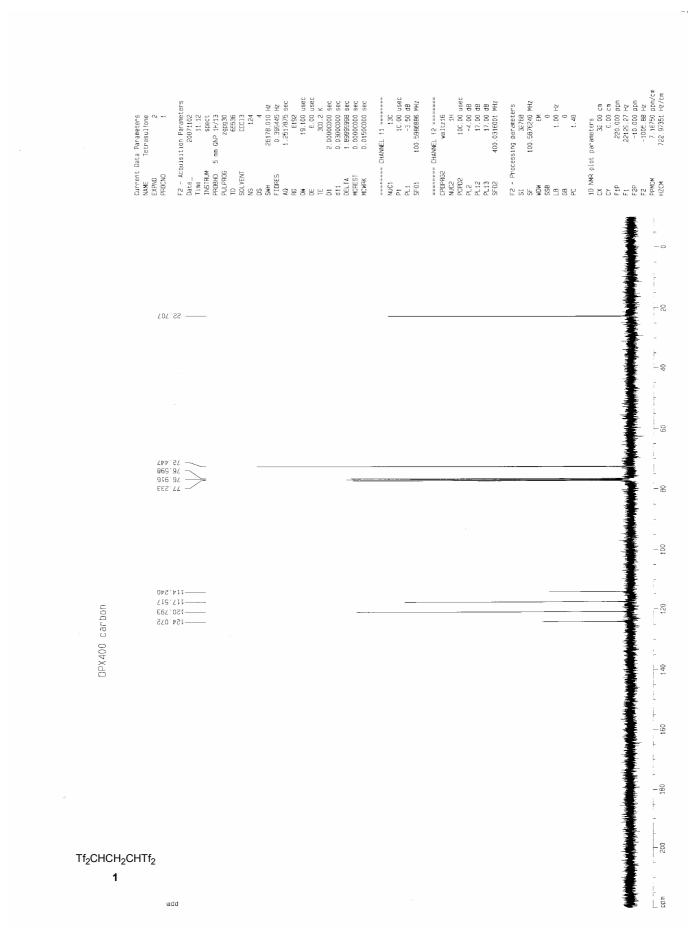
3h white solid. Mp. 55.5 °C. IR (KBr) 1752, 1705 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.04 (3H, s), 1.13 (3H, s), 1.39 (3H, s), 2.09 (3H, s), 2.40 (1H, d, J = 15.5 Hz), 2.46 (1H, d, J = 15.5 Hz), 6.00 (1H, d, J = 5.8 Hz), 7.46 (1H, d, J = 5.8 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 19.8, 22.0, 22.5, 32.7, 39.6, 48.5, 93.5, 121.0, 159.5, 172.5, 207.7; MS (ESI-TOF) m/z 197 [M+H]⁺; HRMS calcd for C₁₁H₁₇O₃ [M+H]⁺, 197.1178; found, 197.1177. Anal. Calcd for C₁₁H₁₆O₃: C, 67.32; H, 8.22. Found: C, 67.33; H, 8.17.

5 colorless oil. IR (neat) 1789, 1713 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.96 (3H, s), 1.12 (3H, s), 1.97-2.02 (3H, m), 2.15 (3H, s), 2.44 (1H, d, J = 17.2 Hz), 2.91 (1H, d, J = 17.2 Hz), 3.68 (1H, quin, J = 2.4 Hz), 5.08-5.12 (1H, m); ¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 14.0, 24.5, 25.6, 31.8, 35.7, 50.9, 52.2, 101.6, 152.5, 177.8, 208.0; MS (ESI-TOF) m/z 197 [M+H]⁺; HRMS calcd for C₁₁H₁₇O₃ [M+H]⁺, 197.1178; found, 197.1183. Anal. Calcd for C₁₁H₁₆O₃: C, 67.32; H, 8.22. Found: C, 67.52; H, 8.32.

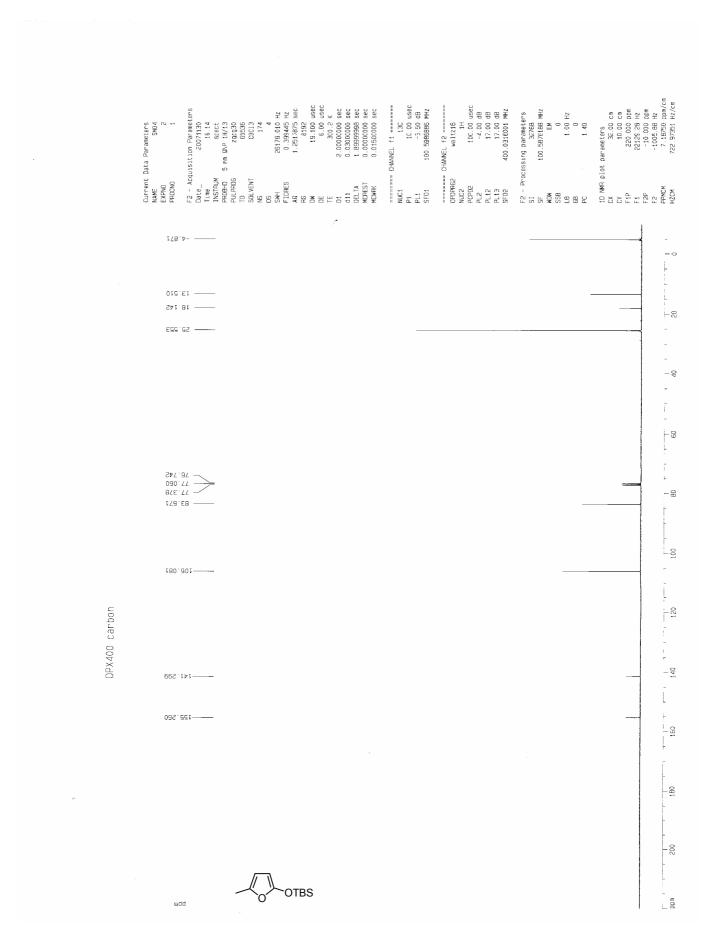
5. X-ray structure of 1,1,3,3-tetrakis(trifluoromethanesulfonyl)propane (1)

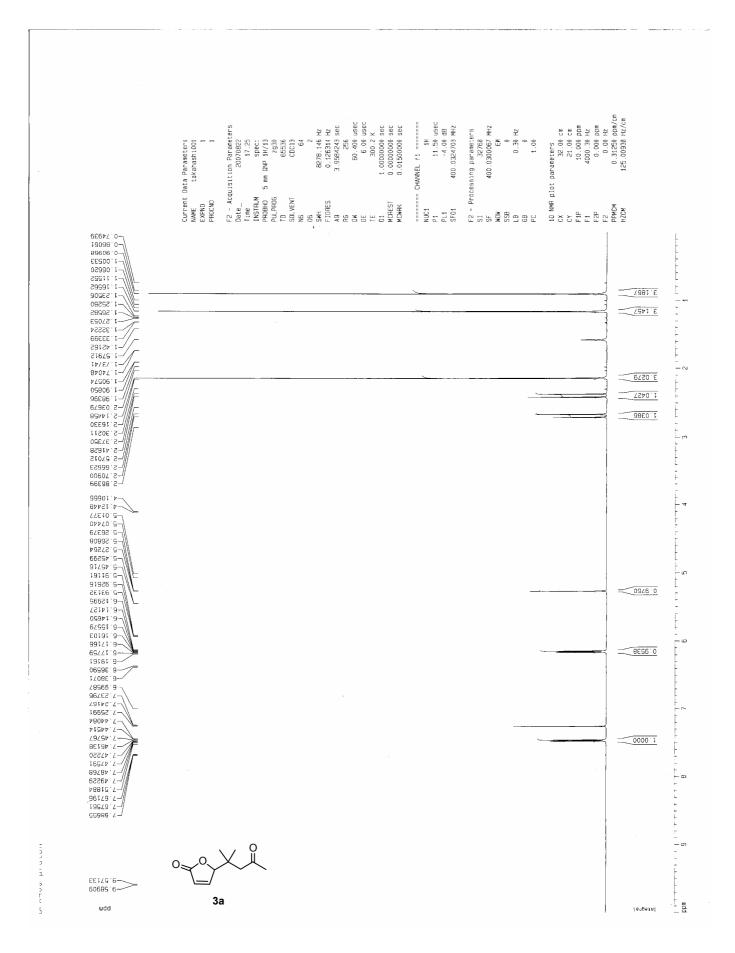


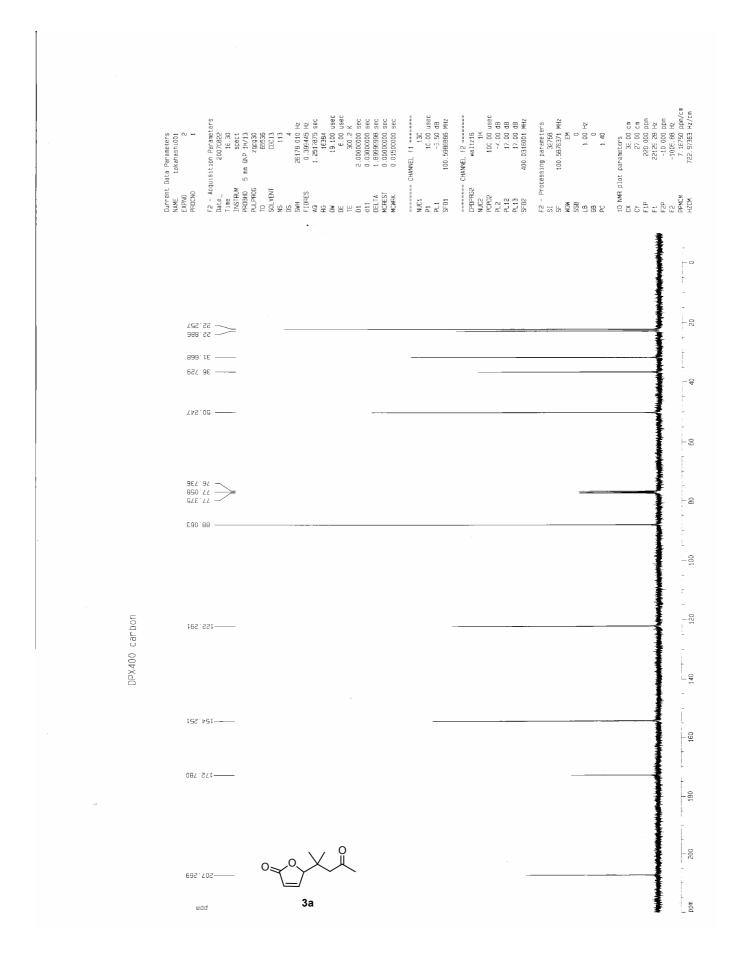


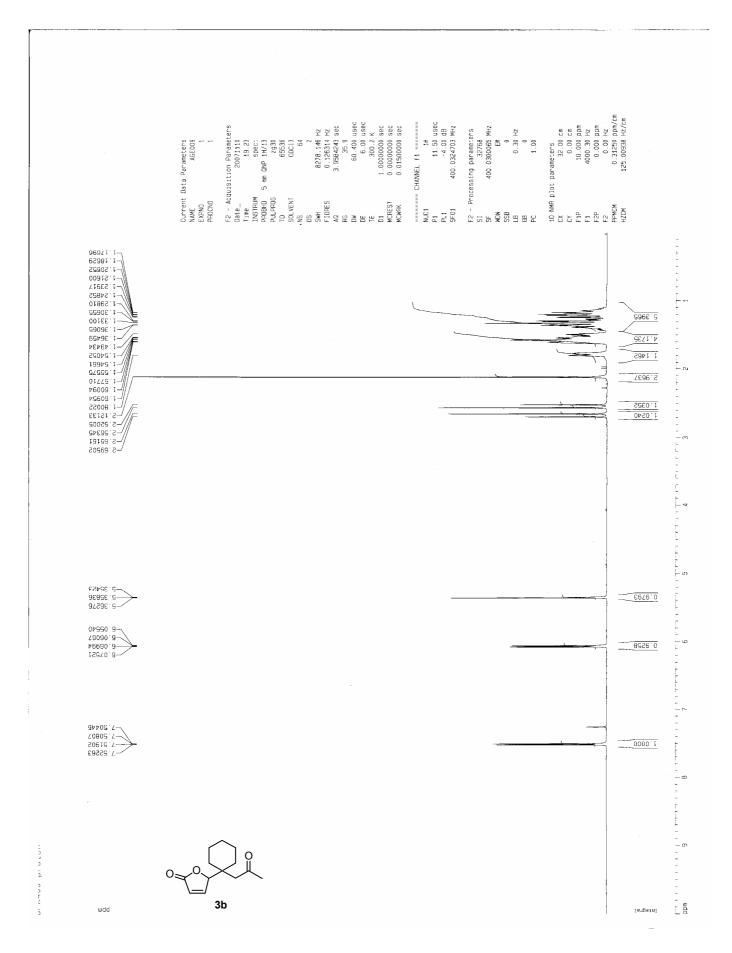


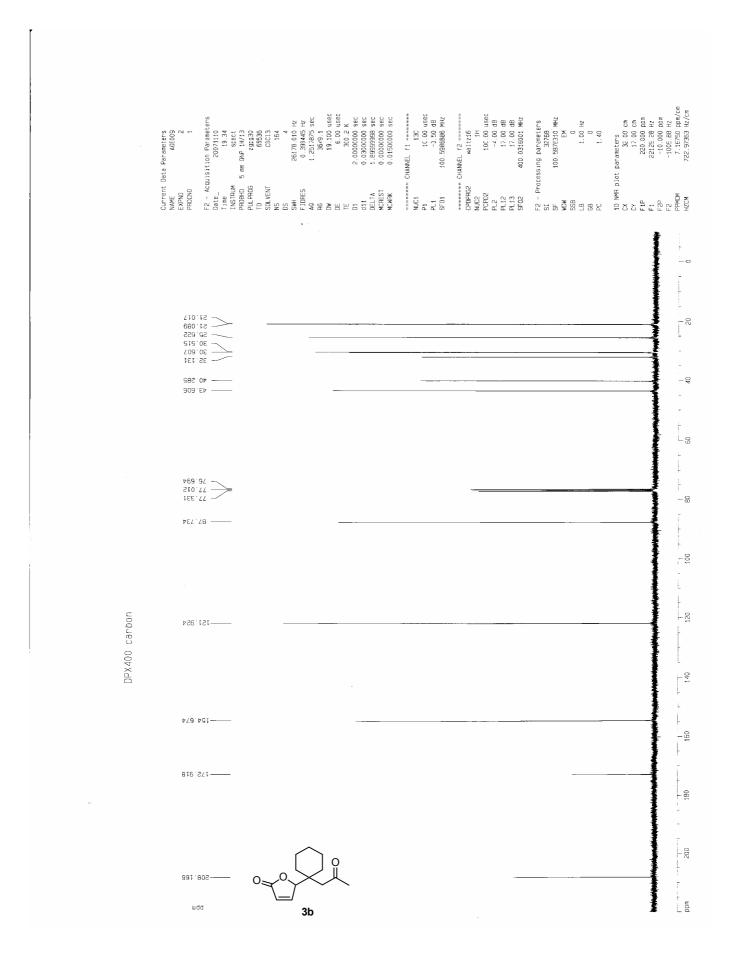


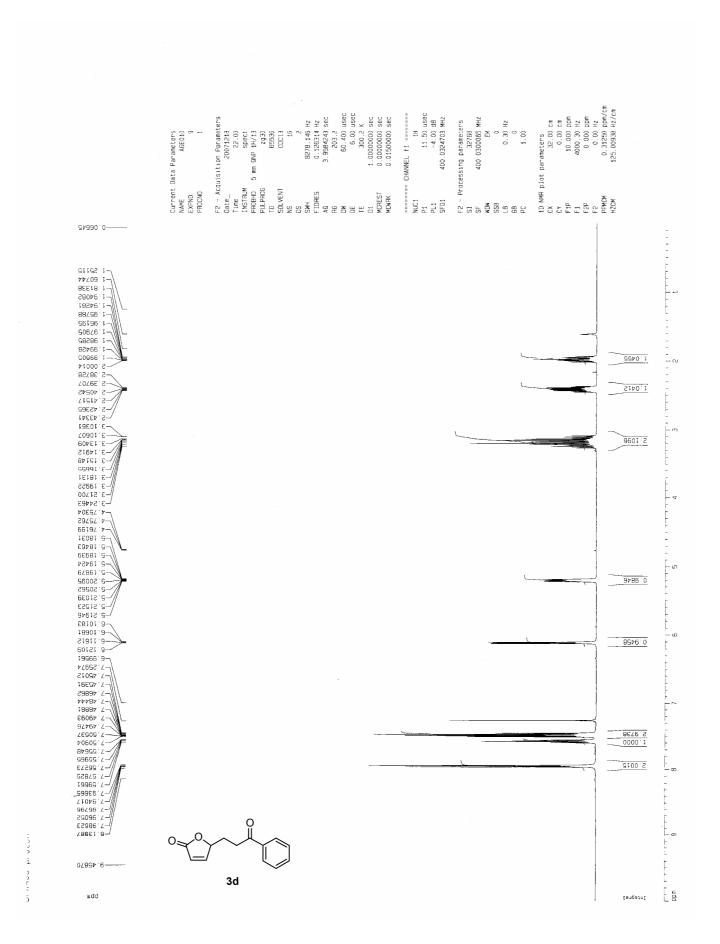


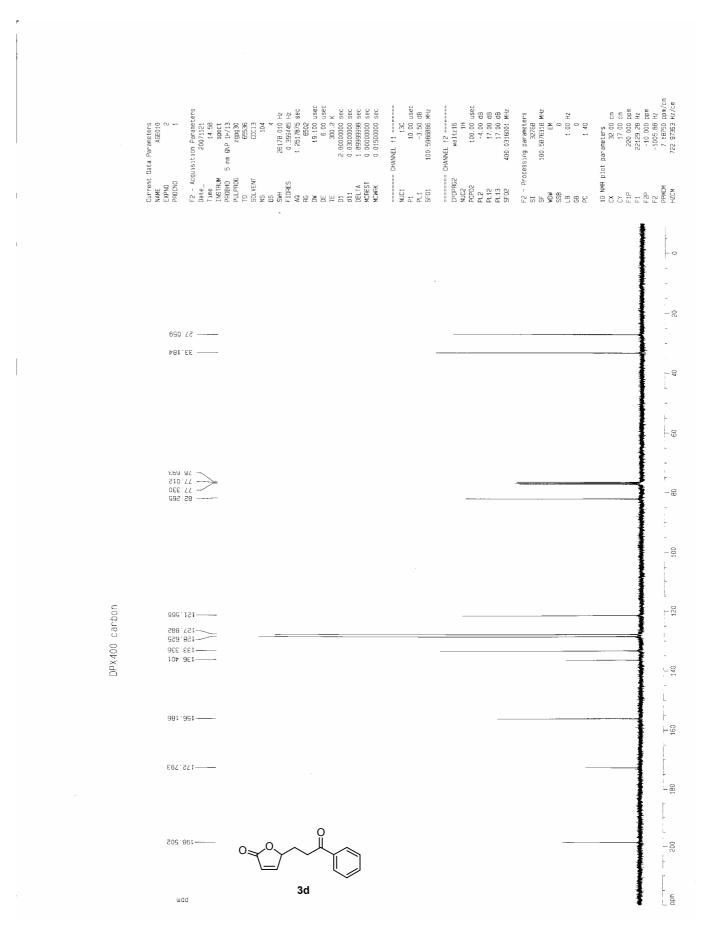


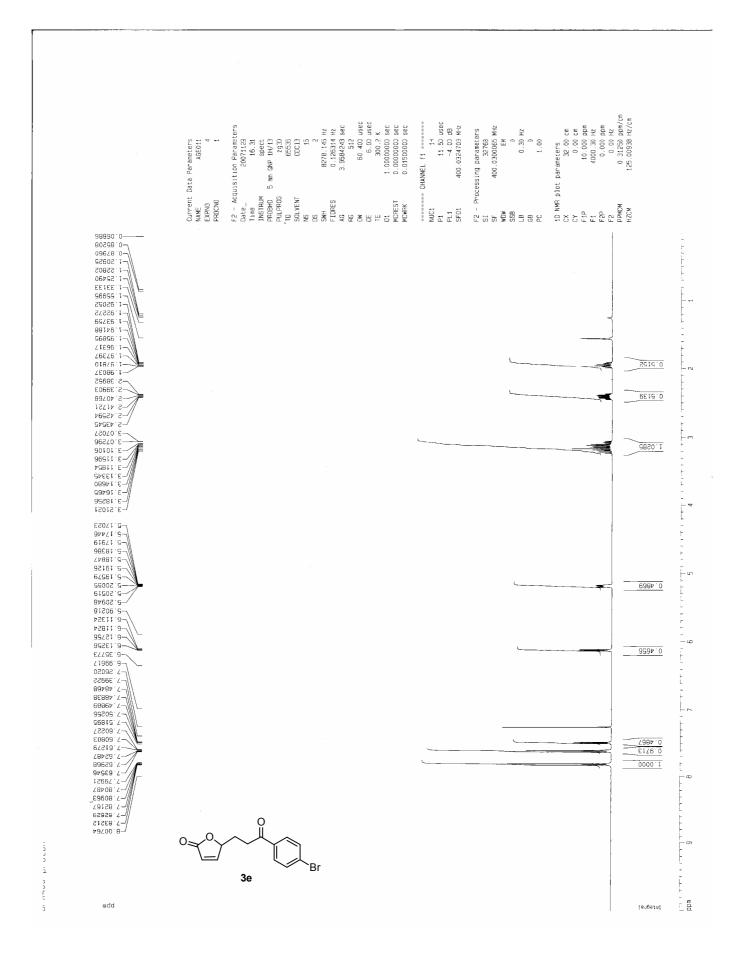


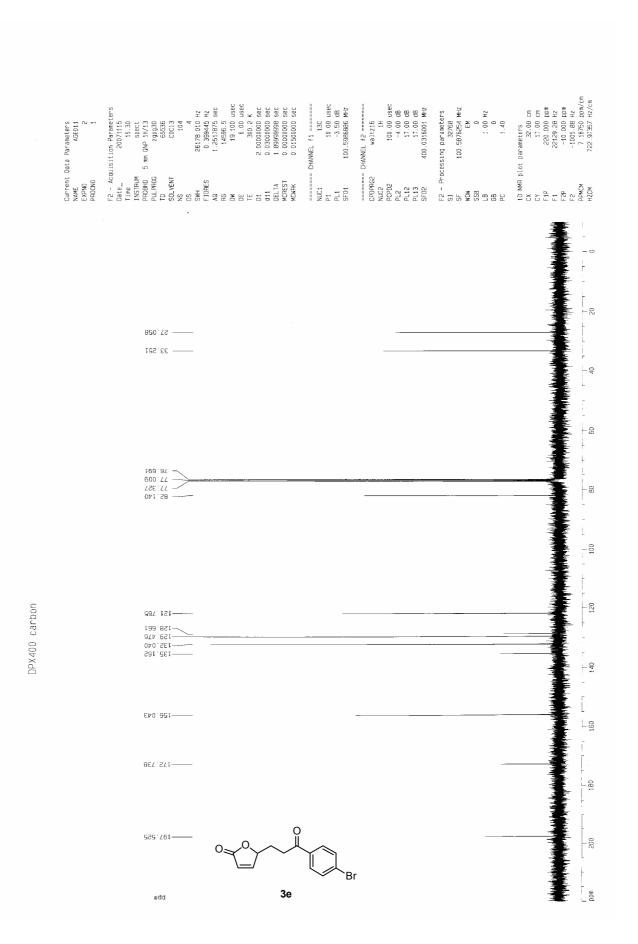




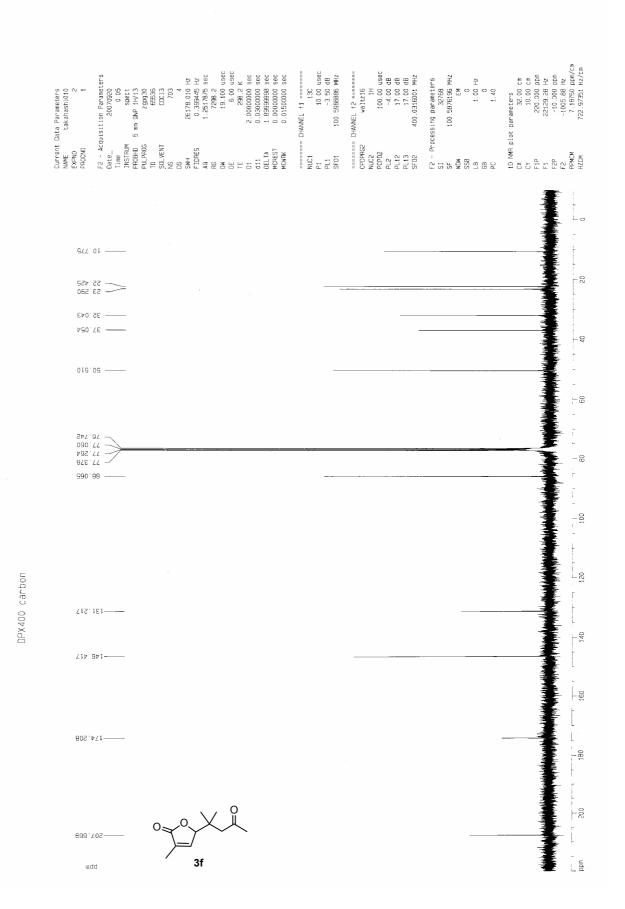


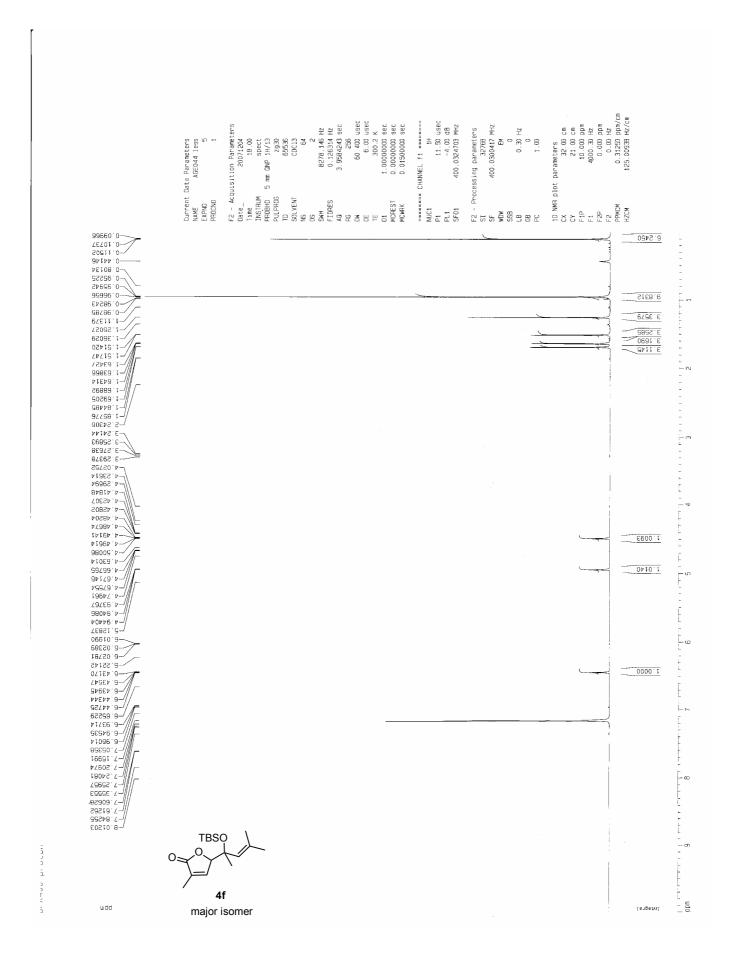


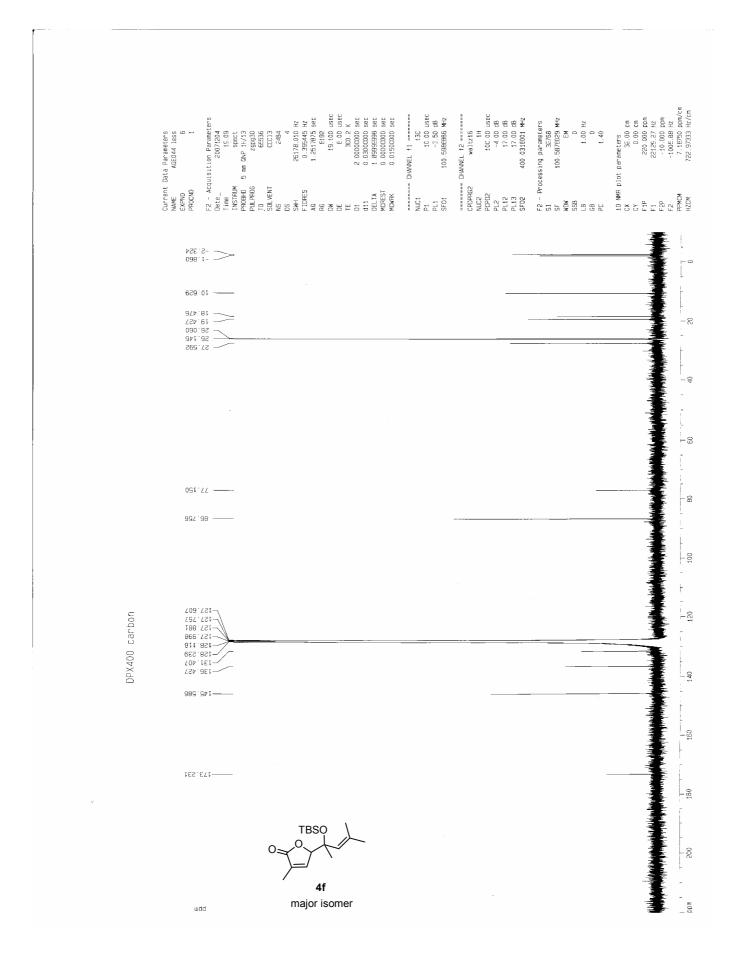


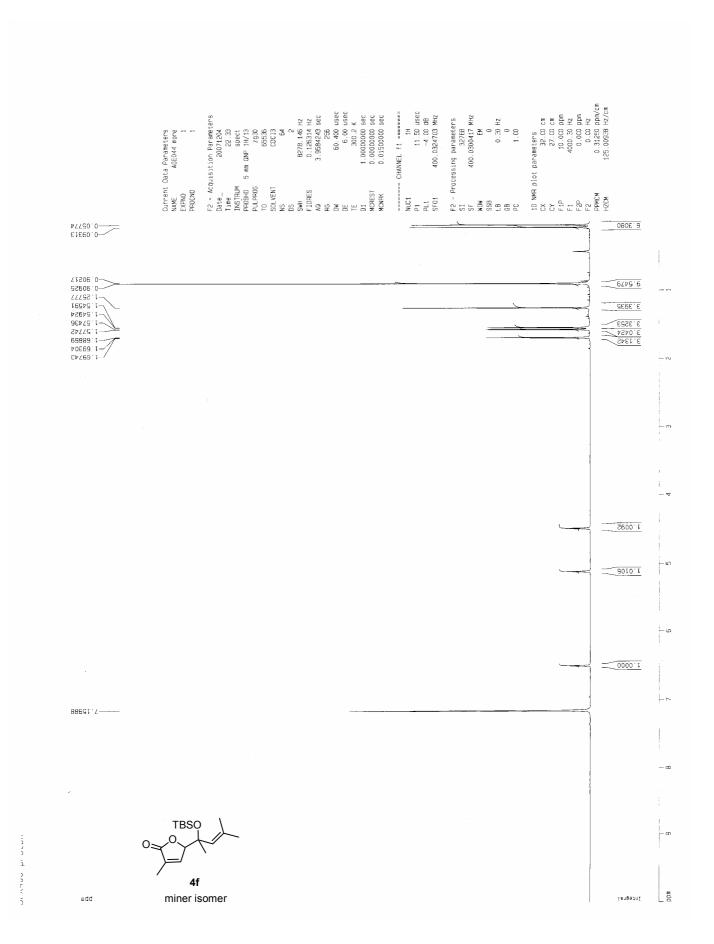


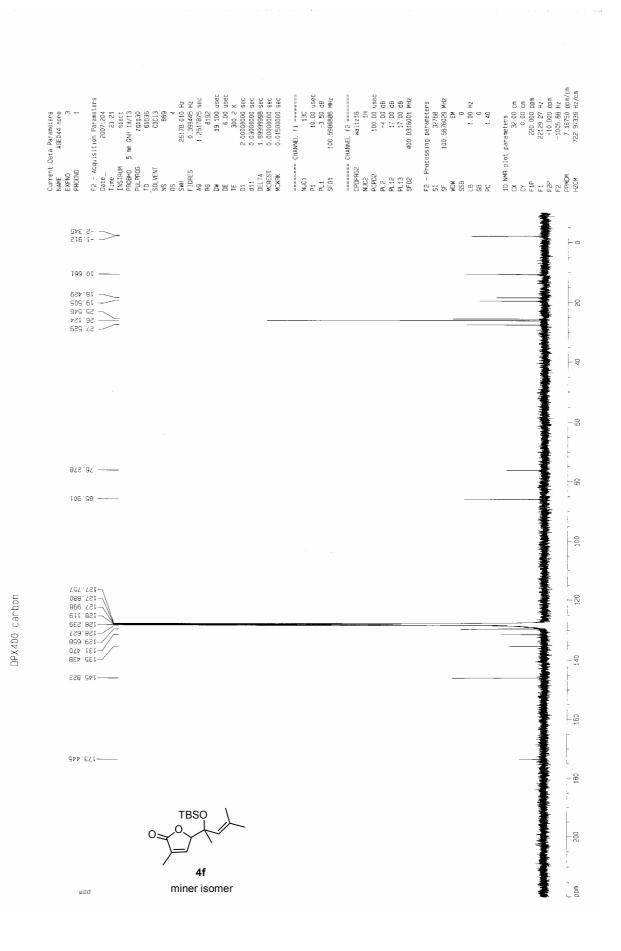


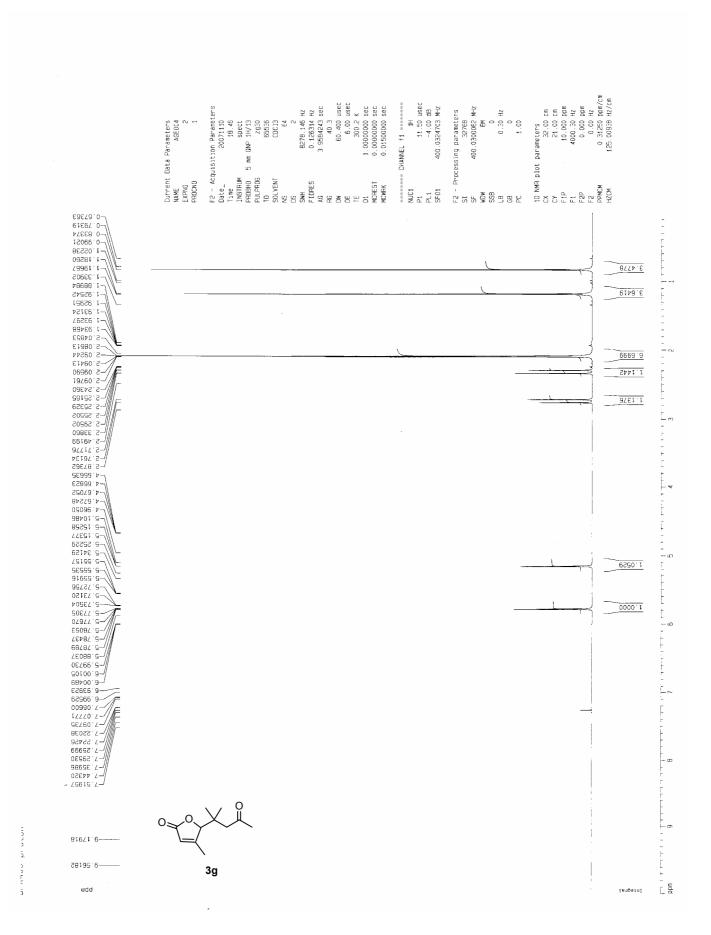


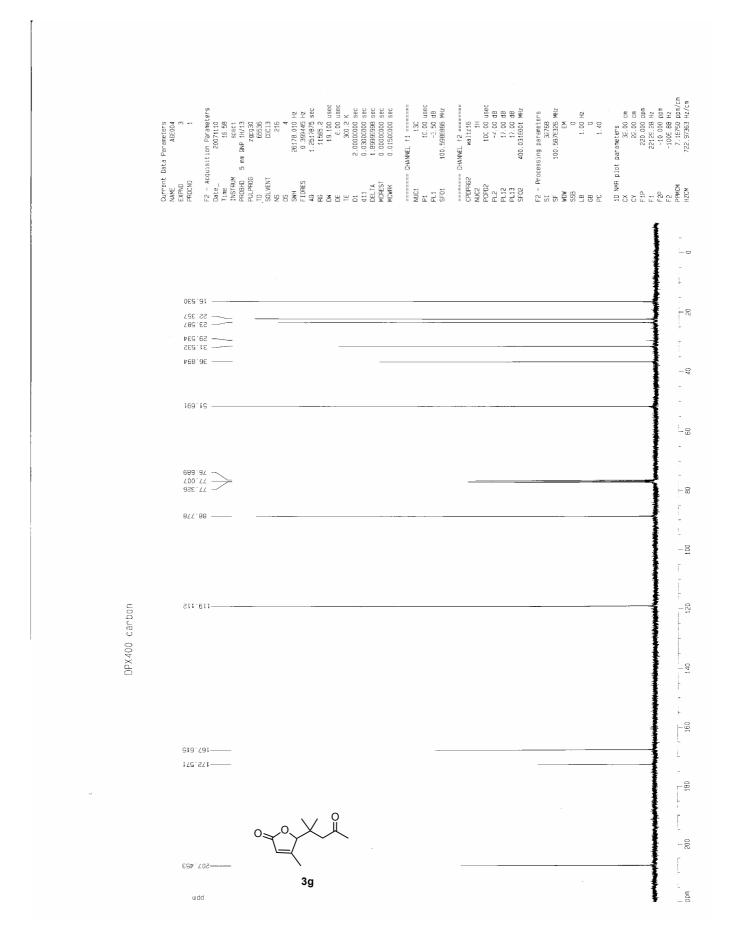


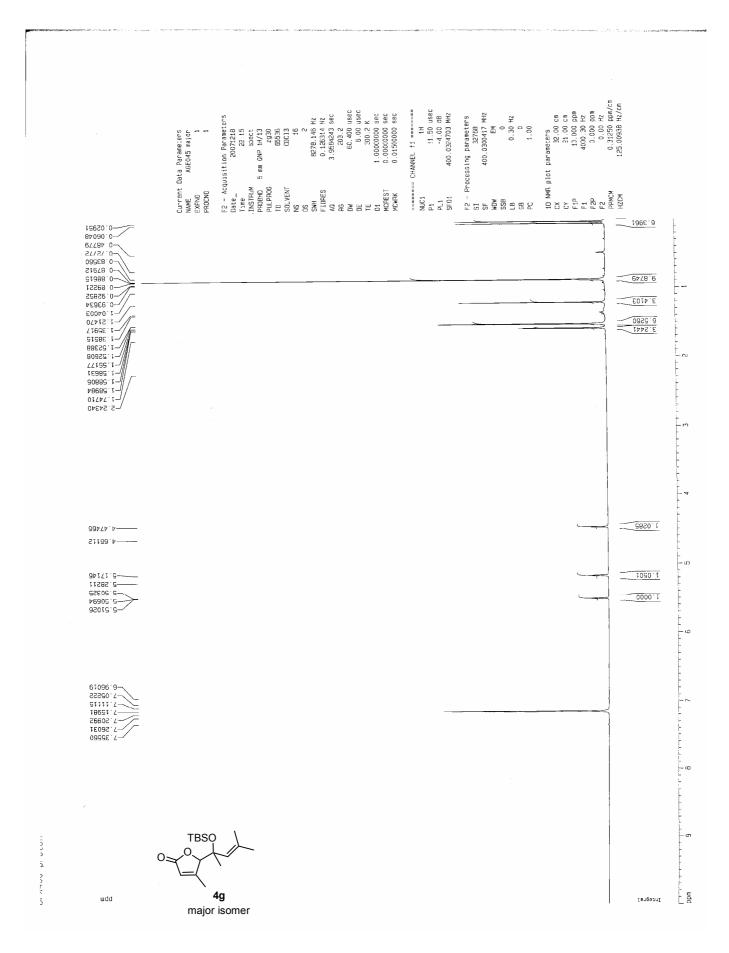


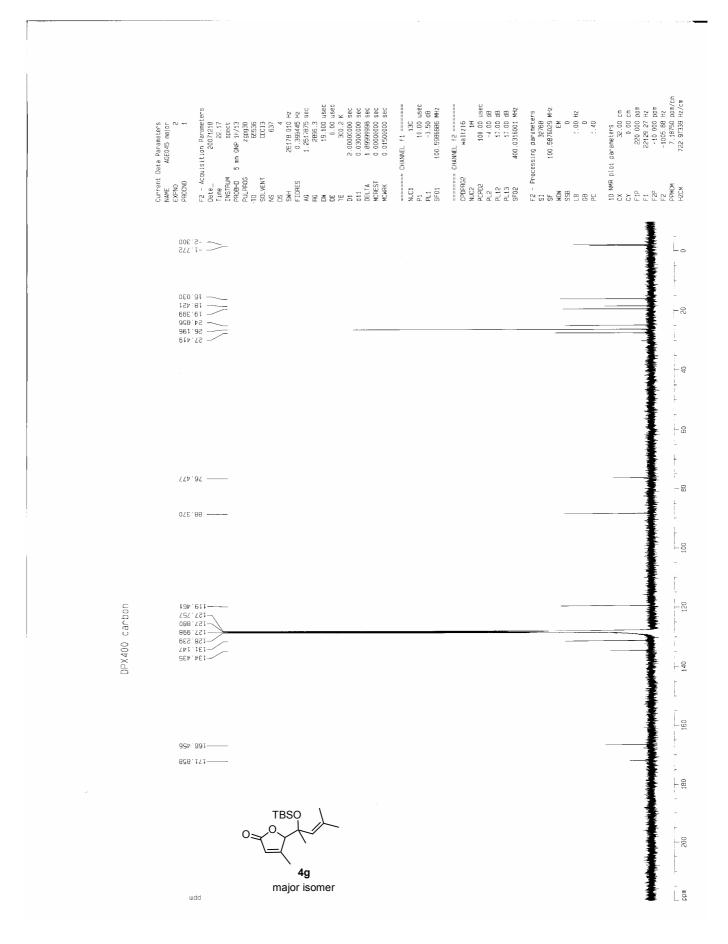


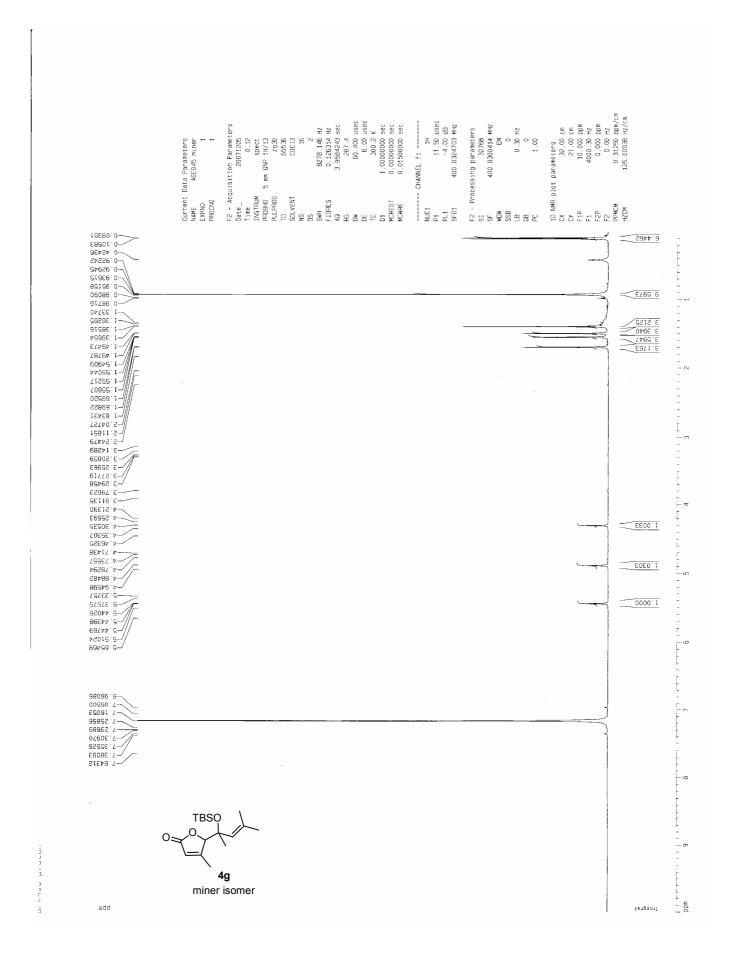


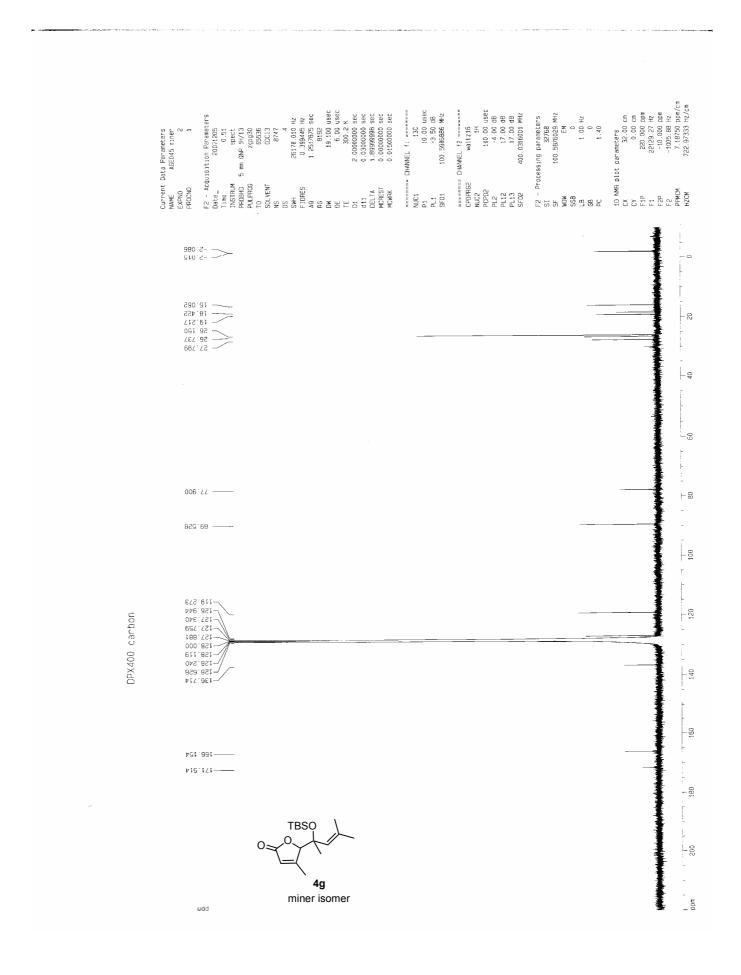


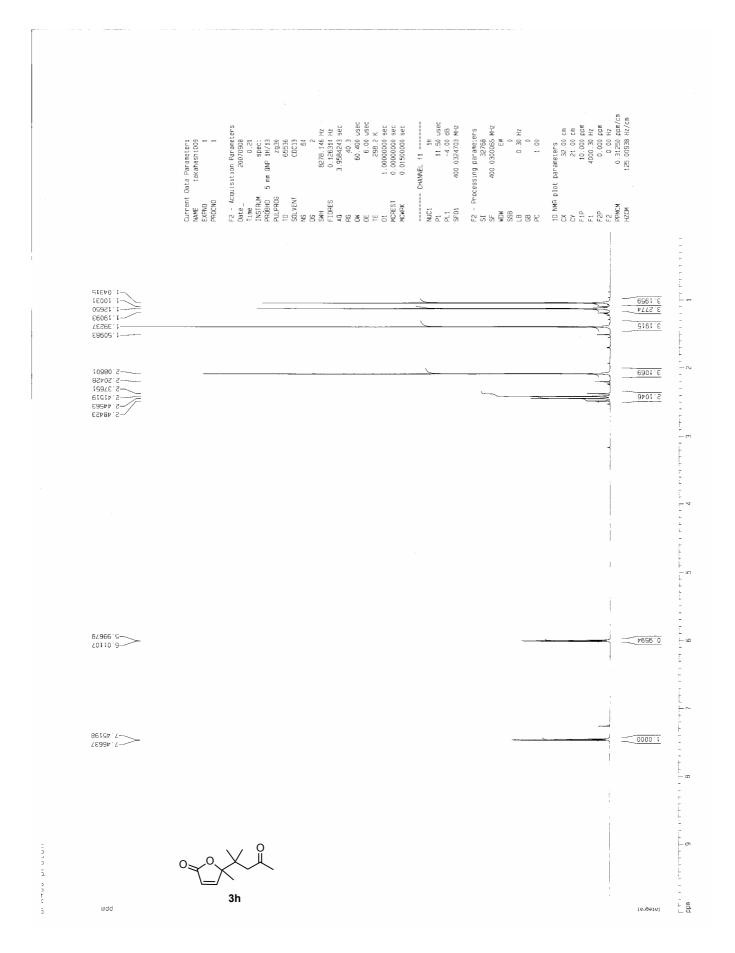


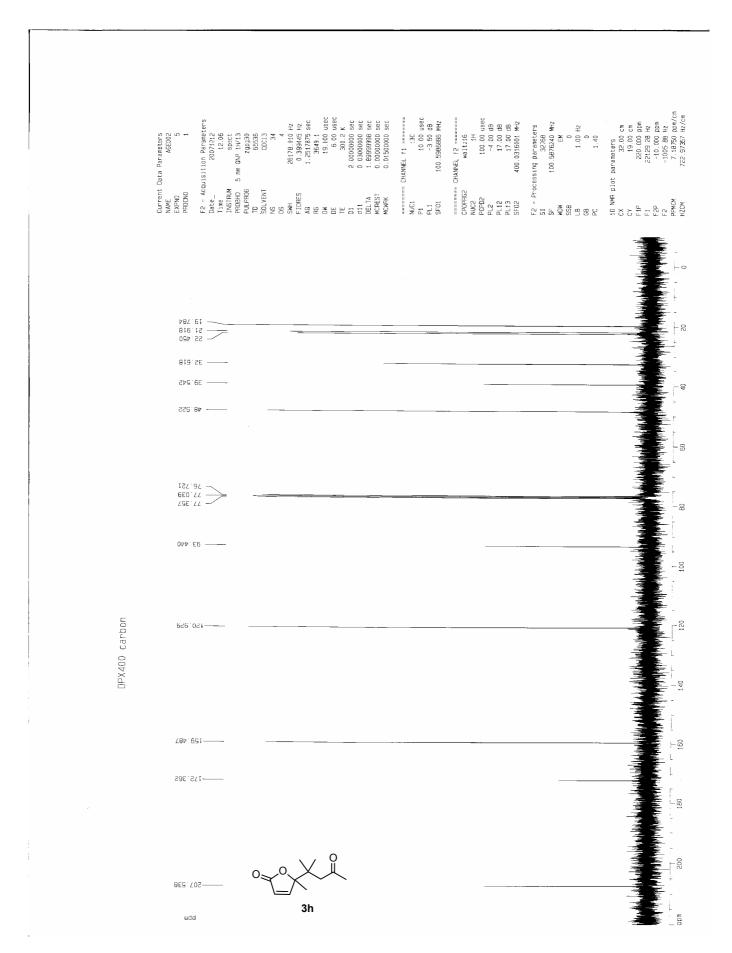


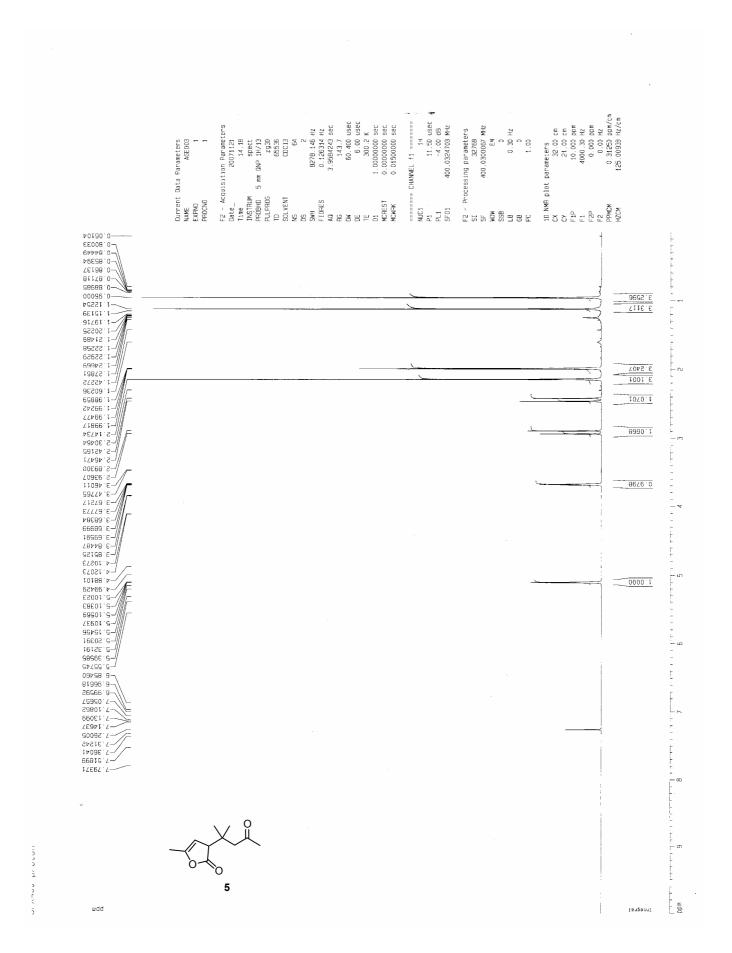


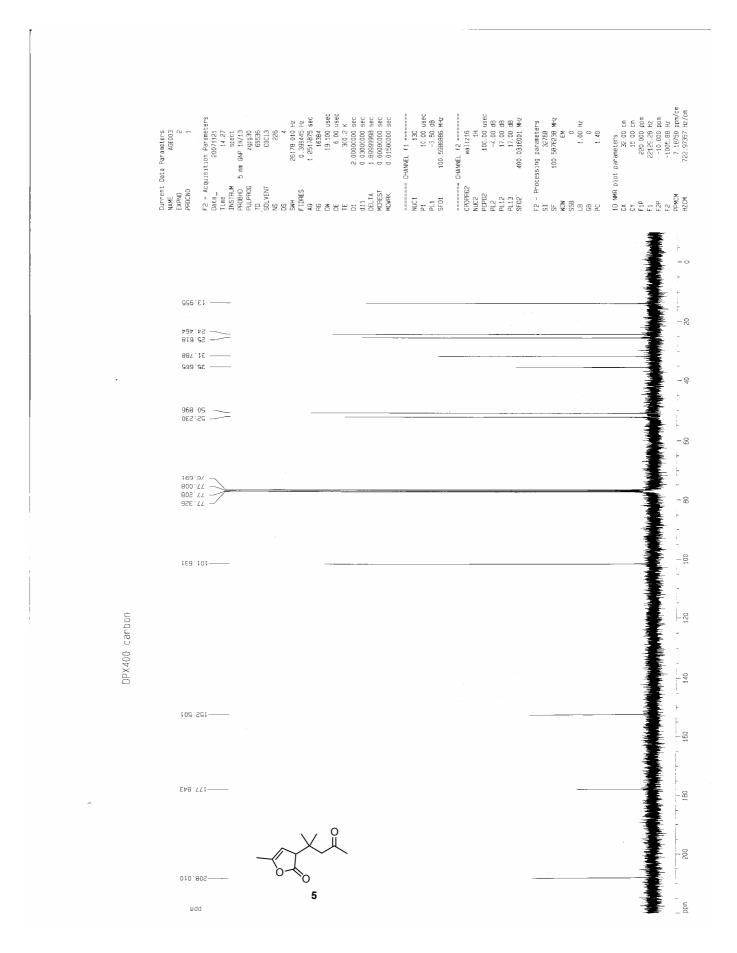












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