

## Electronic Supplementary Information

### **Sulfonated carbons from agro-industrial residues: simple and efficient catalysts for the Biginelli reaction**

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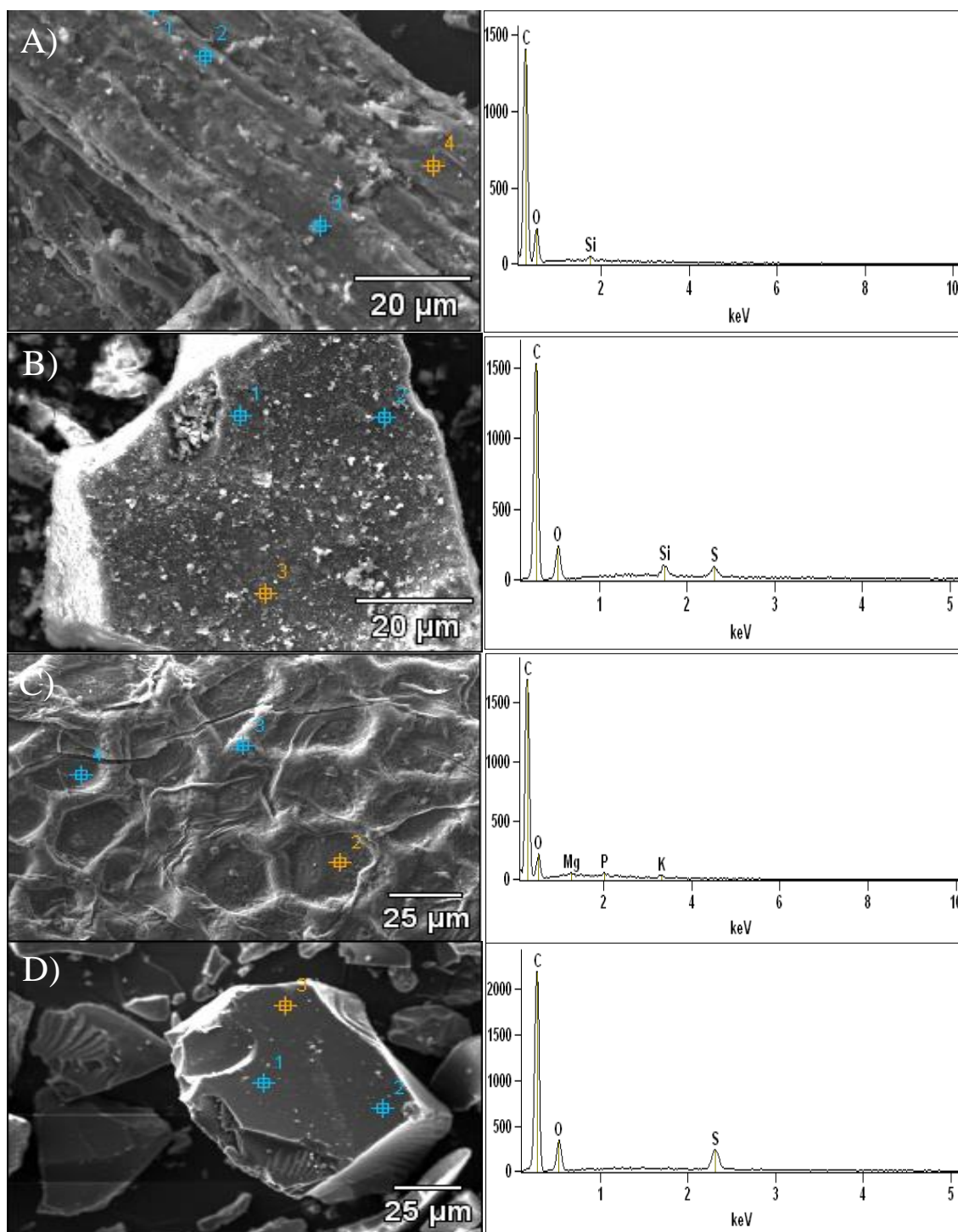
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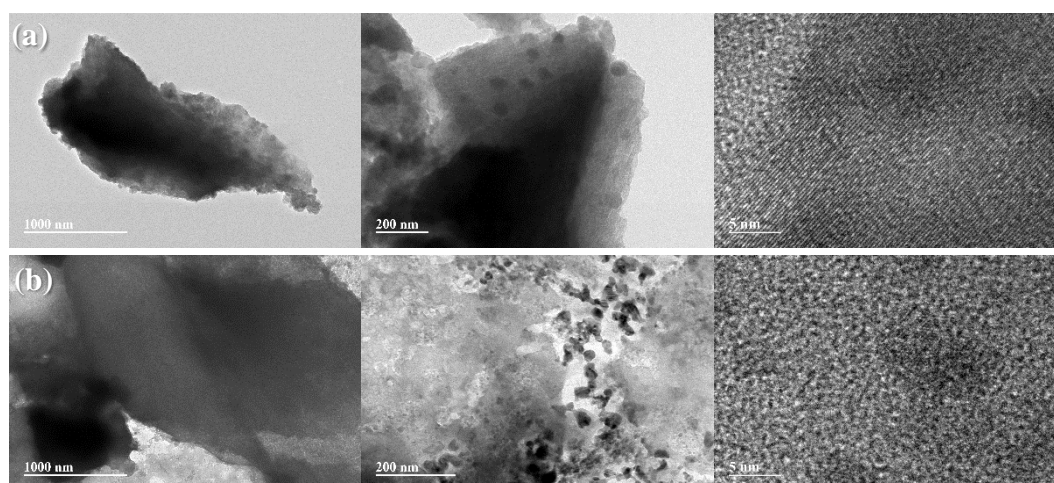
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# 1. SEM/EDX analysis



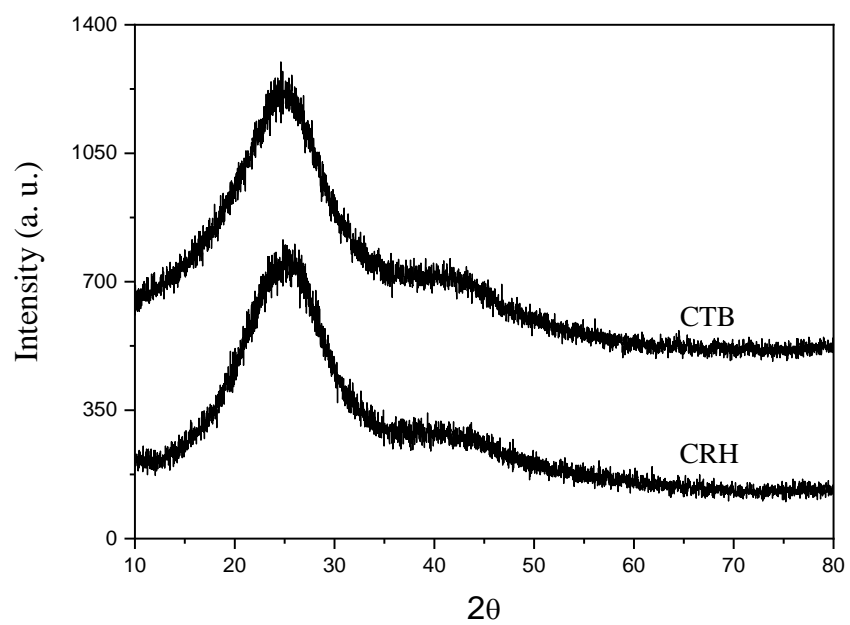
**Fig S1.** SEM image and EDX spectra of A) rice husk; B) CRH; C) tomato bagasse; and D) CTB.

## 2. TEM images



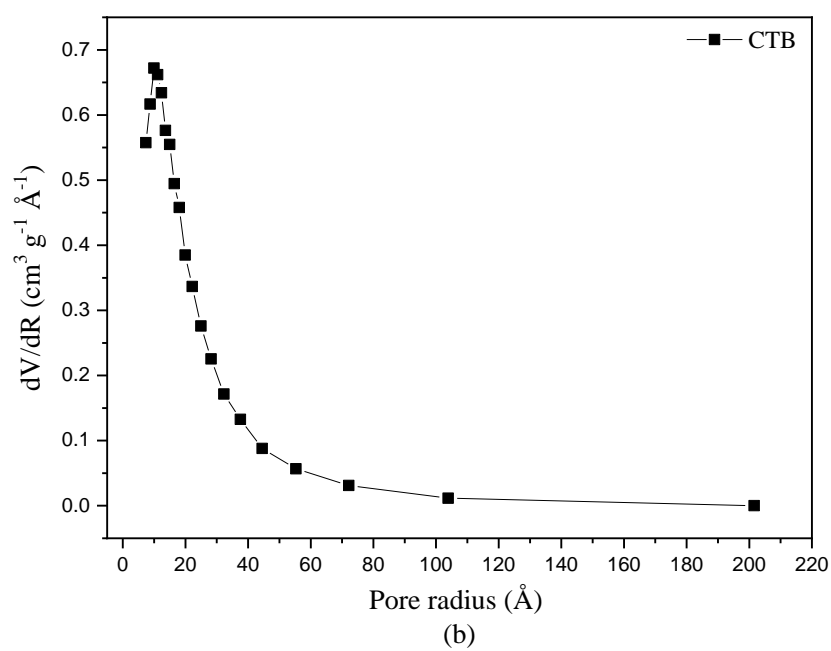
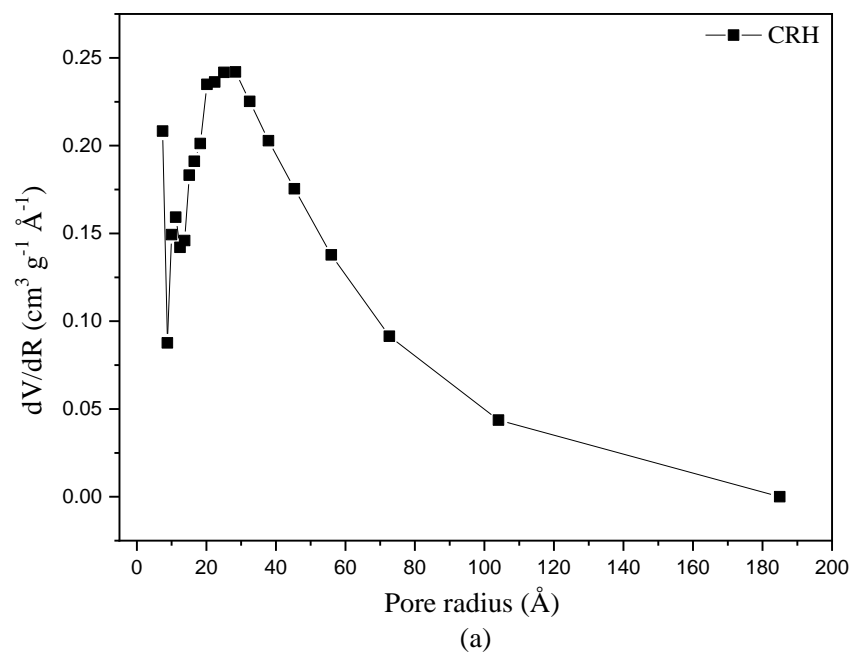
**Fig S2.** TEM images of (a) rice husk precursor and (b) CRH catalyst.

### 3. XRD analysis



**Fig S3.** XRD diffractograms of CRH and CTB.

#### 4. Pore size distributions



**Fig S4** Pore-size distributions of CRH and CTB.

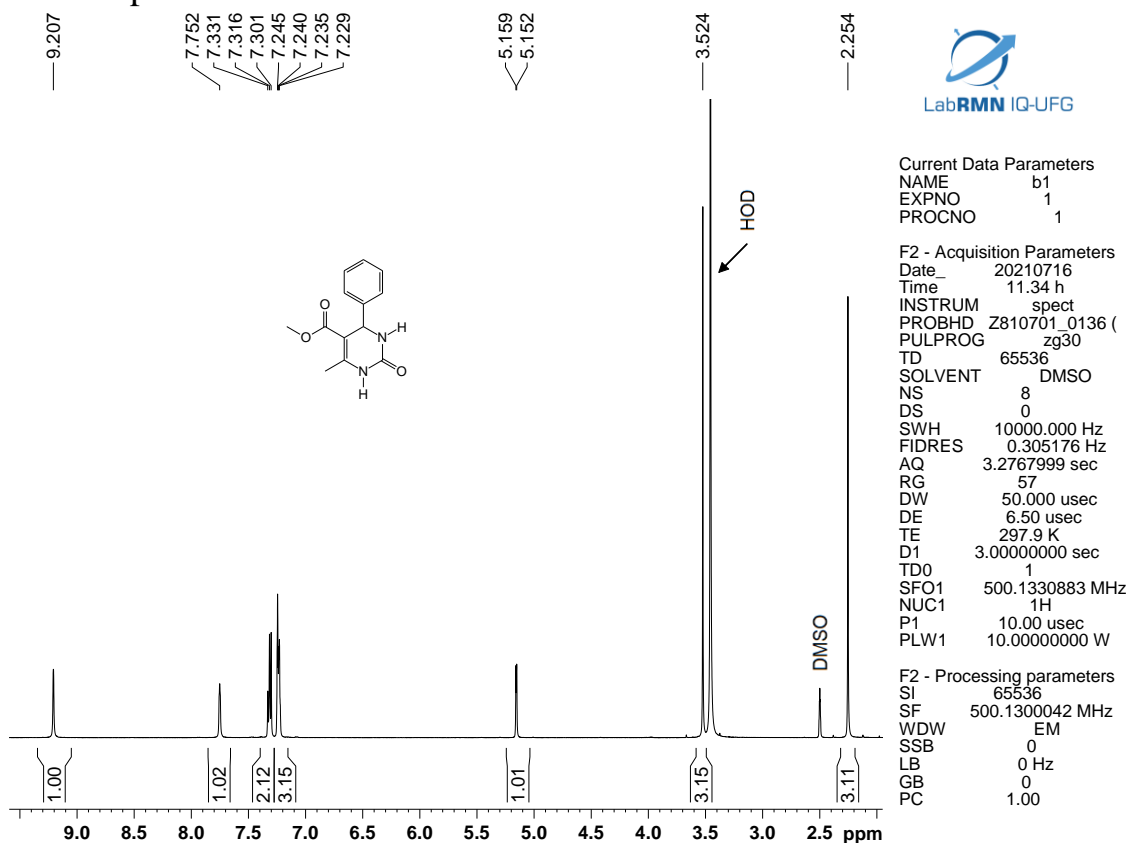
## 5. Elementary composition by XPS analysis

**Table S1** Chemical composition of rice husk and catalyst of rice husk by XPS analysis

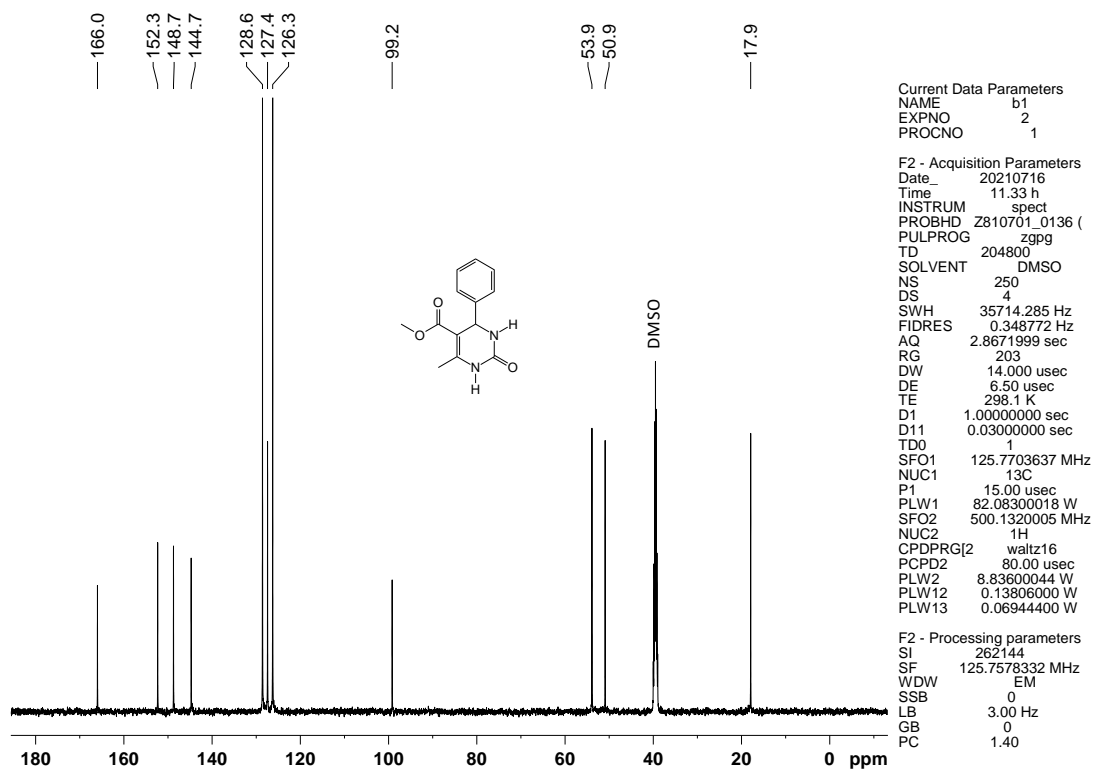
<b>Sample</b>	<b>Elementary concentration (%)*</b>				
	<b>C 1s</b>	<b>O 1s</b>	<b>N 1s</b>	<b>Si 2p</b>	<b>S 2p</b>
Rice husk	69.5	23.9	1.5	4.9	0.3
CRH	42.6	40.9	0.9	10.6	4.9

\* Values obtained from high resolution spectra with error of  $\pm 5\%$

## 6. NMR spectra

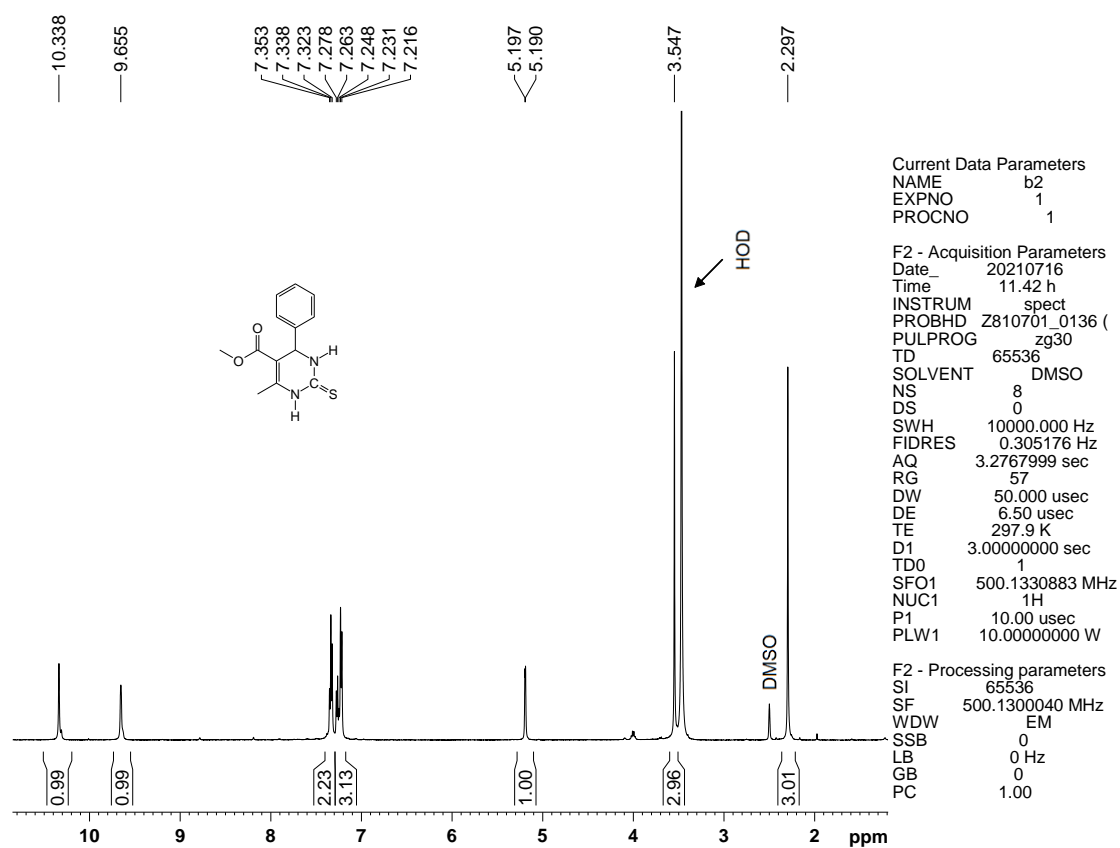


**Fig S5**  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR spectra of product B1 (*5-Methoxycarbonyl-4-phenyl-6-methyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1-H)-one*).

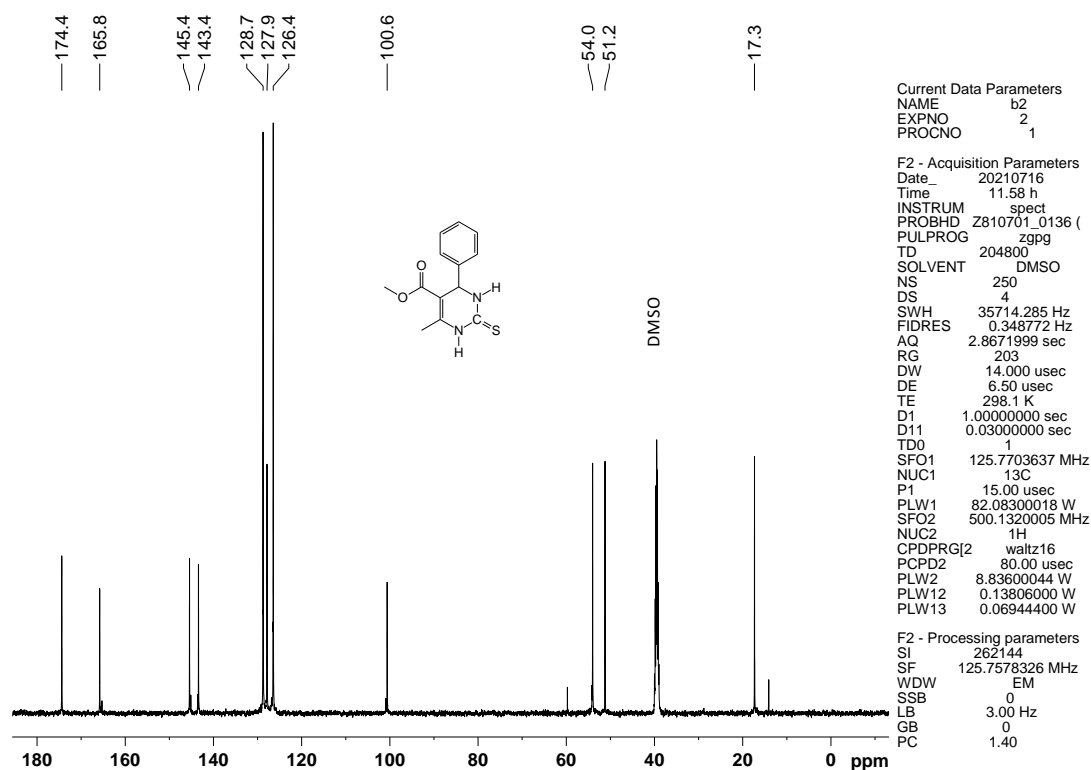


**Fig S6**  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR spectra of product B1 (*5-Methoxycarbonyl-4-phenyl-6-methyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1-H)-one*).

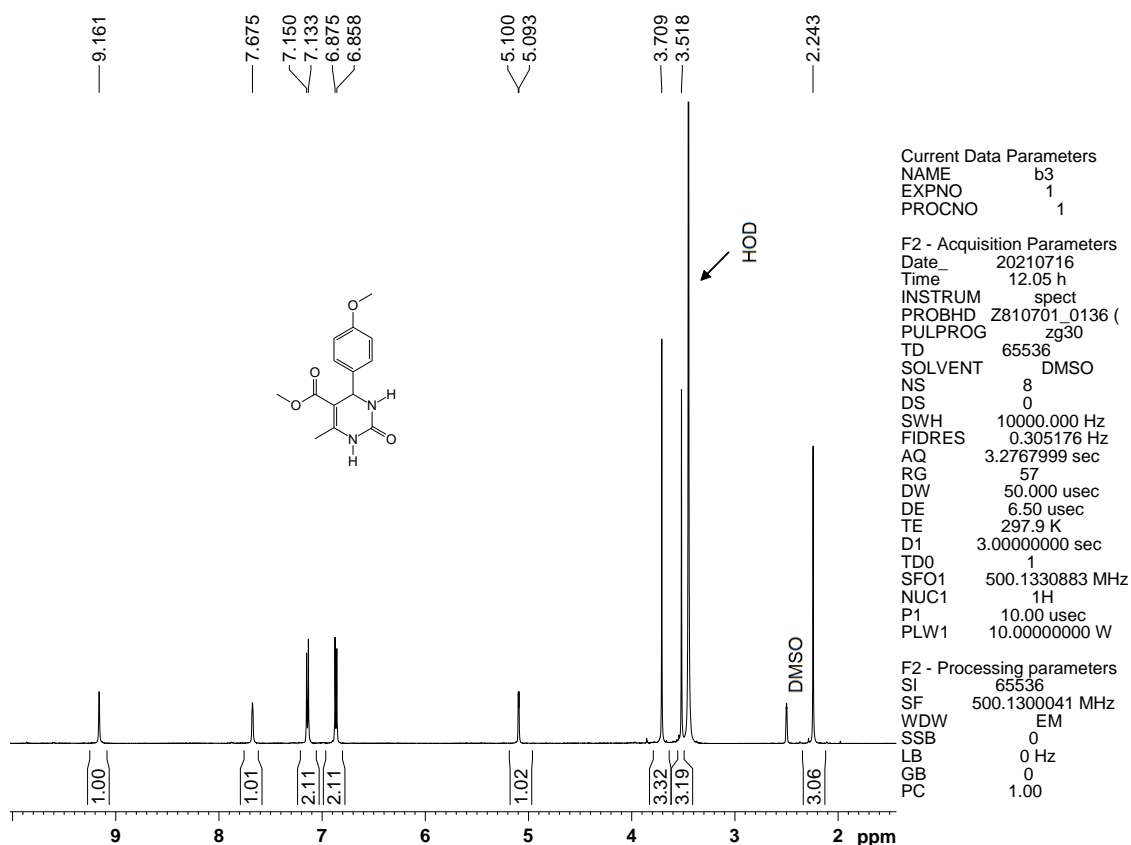




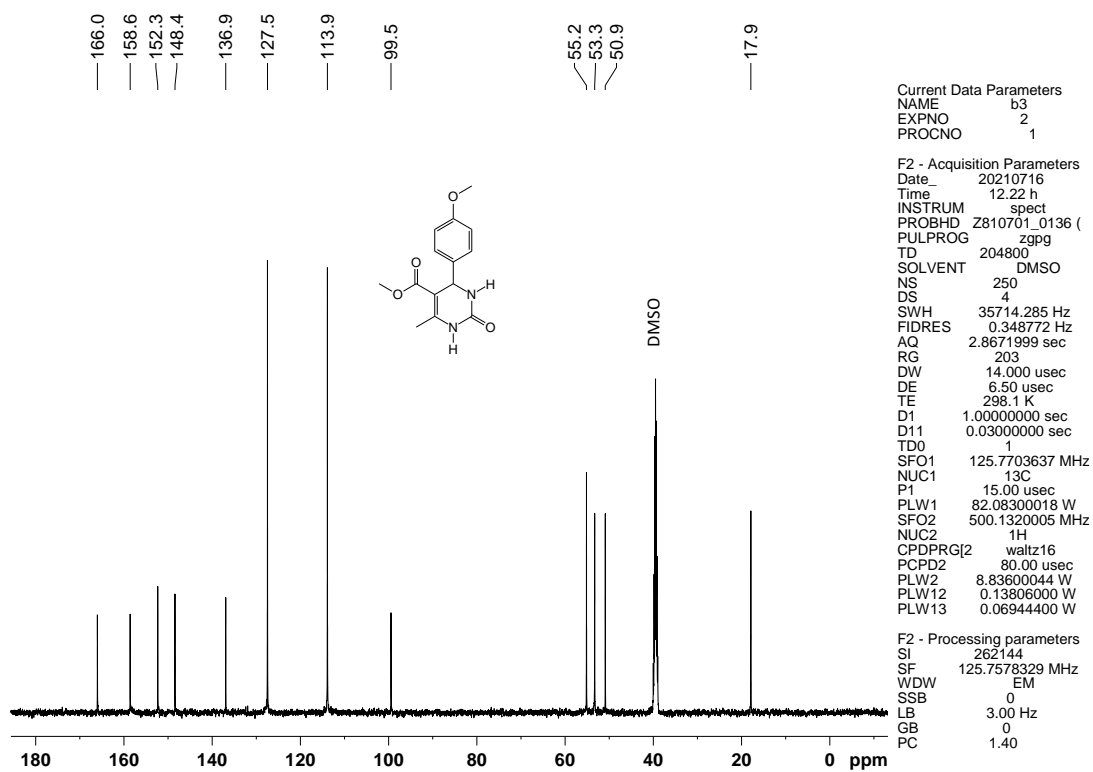
**Fig S7**  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR spectra of product B2 (5-Methoxycarbonyl-4-phenyl-6-methyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1-H)-thione).



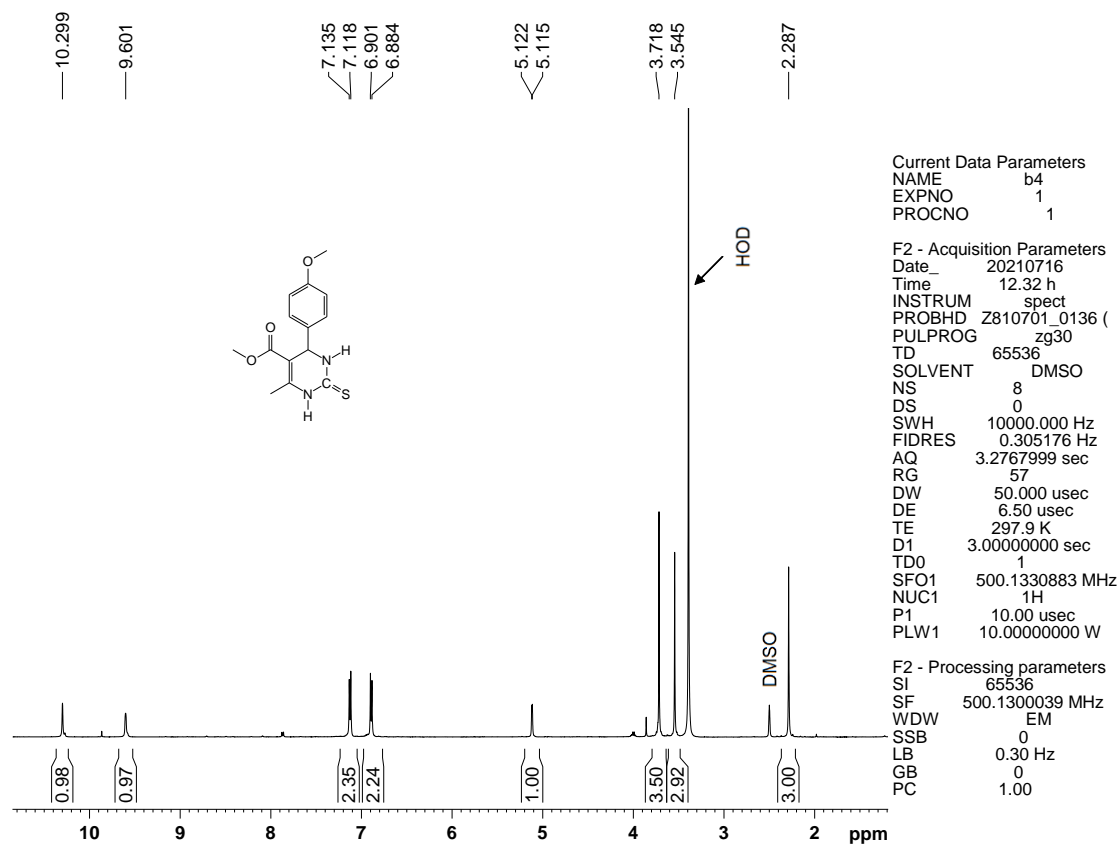
**Fig S8**  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR spectra of product B2 (5-Methoxycarbonyl-4-phenyl-6-methyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1-H)-thione).



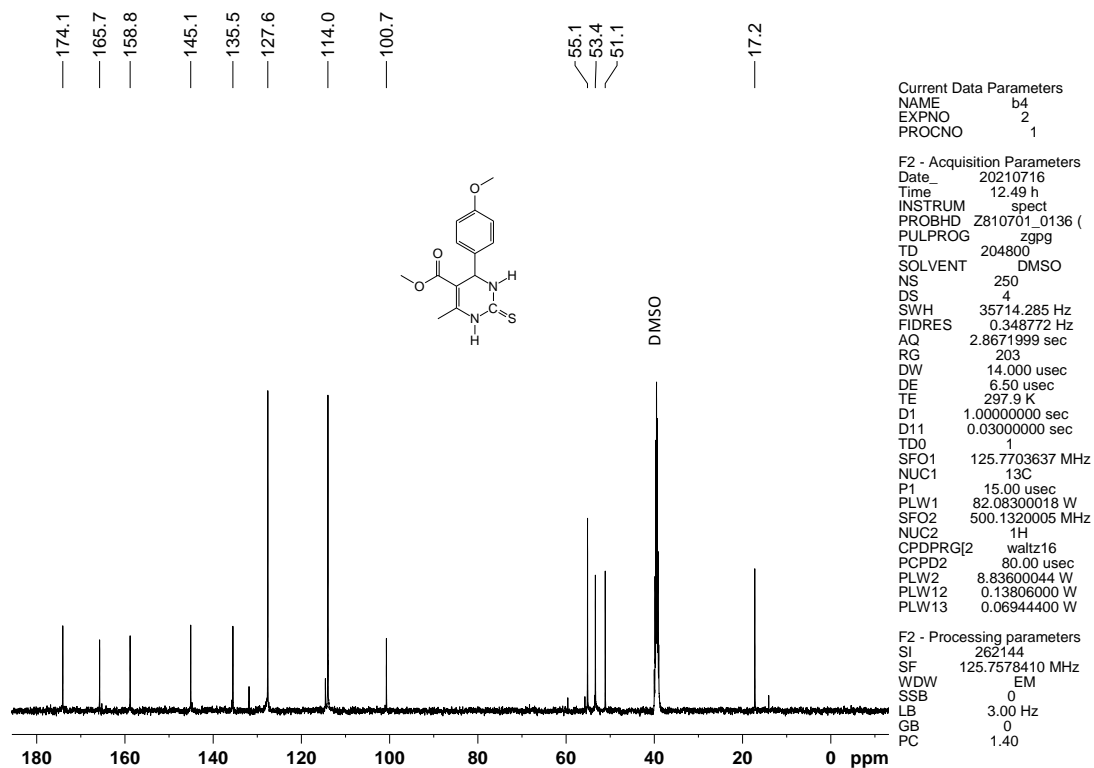
**Fig S9**  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR spectra of product B3 (5-Methoxycarbonyl-4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-6-methyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1-H)-one).



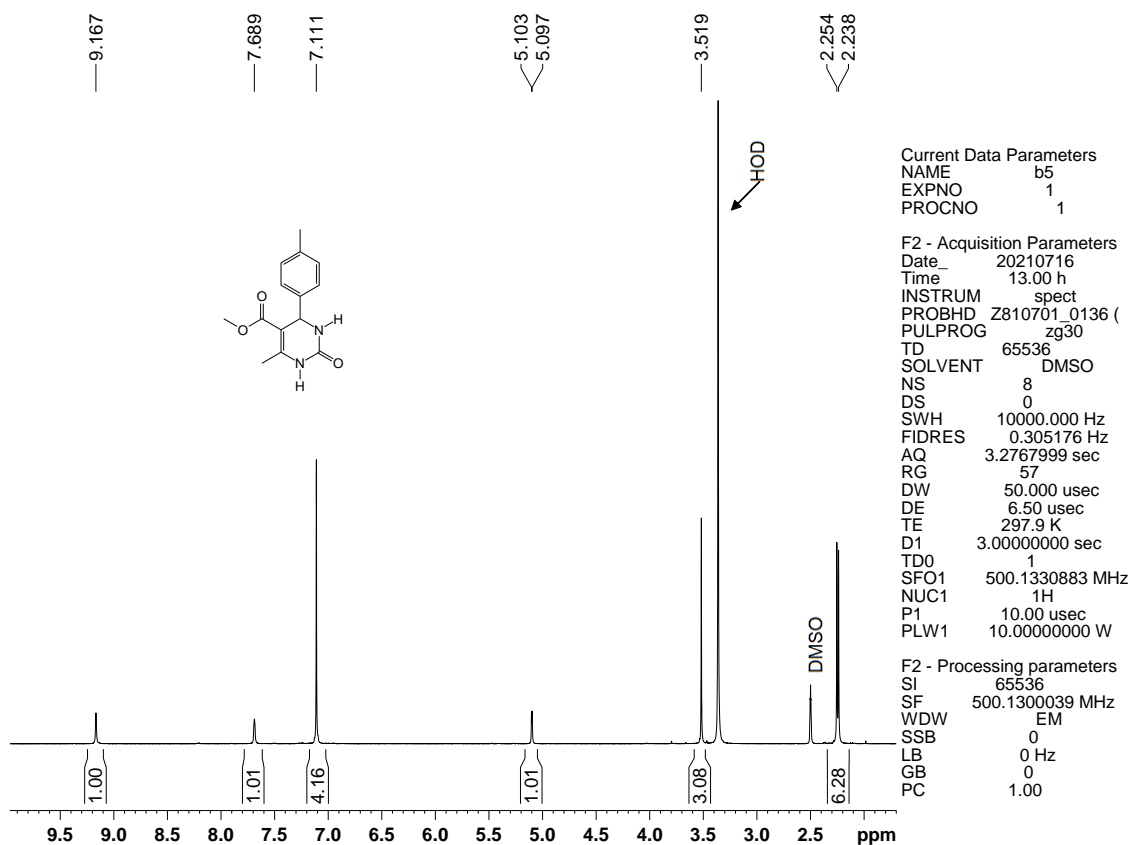
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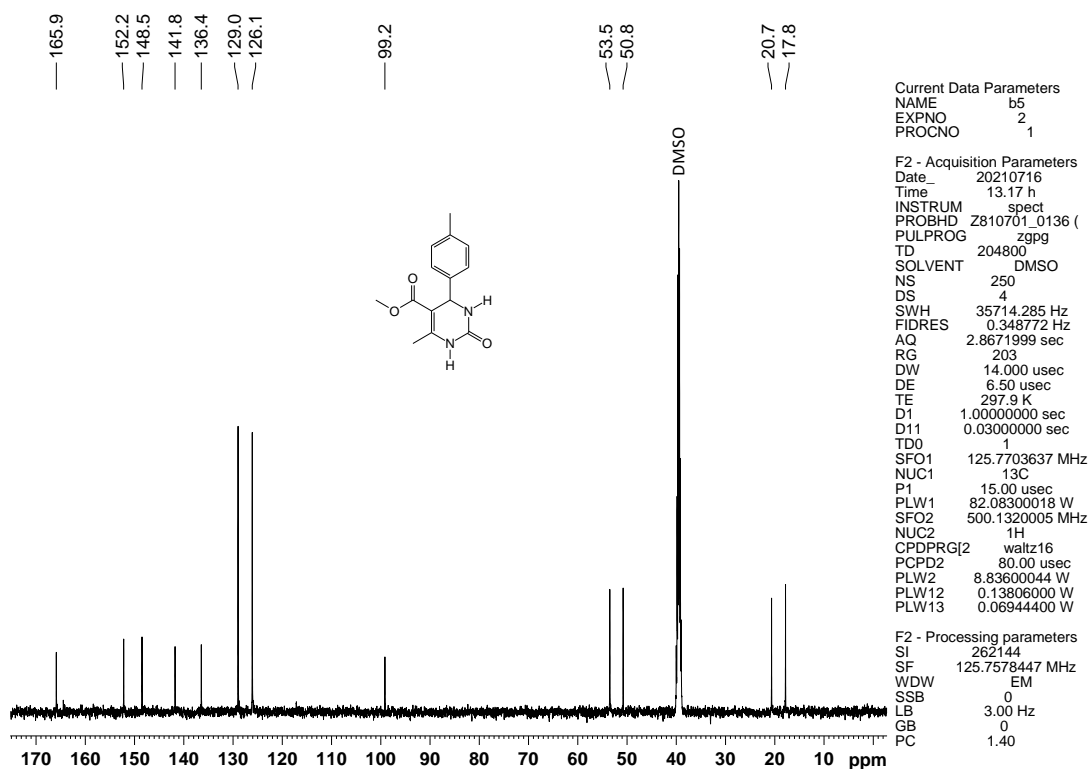
**Fig S11**  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR spectra of product B4 (5-Methoxycarbonyl-4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-6-methyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1-H)-thione).



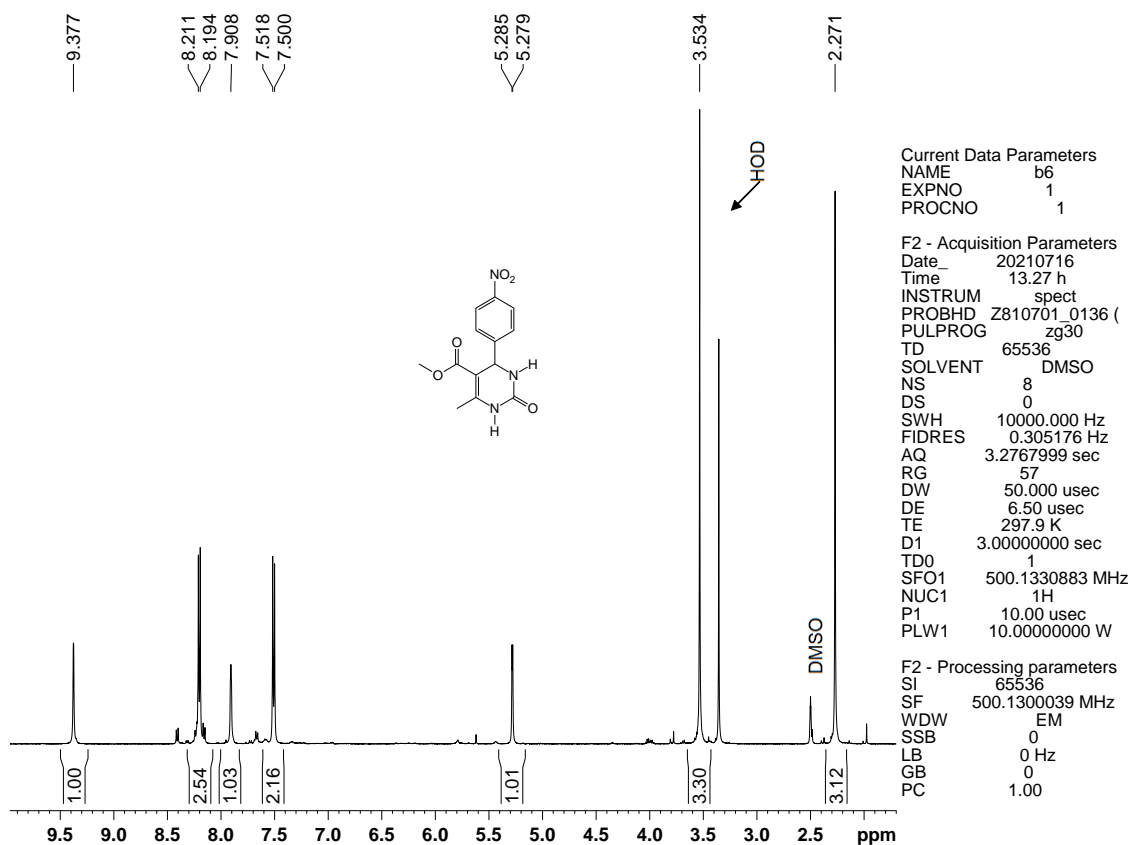
**Fig S12.**  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR spectra of product B4 (5-Methoxycarbonyl-4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-6-methyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1-H)-thione).



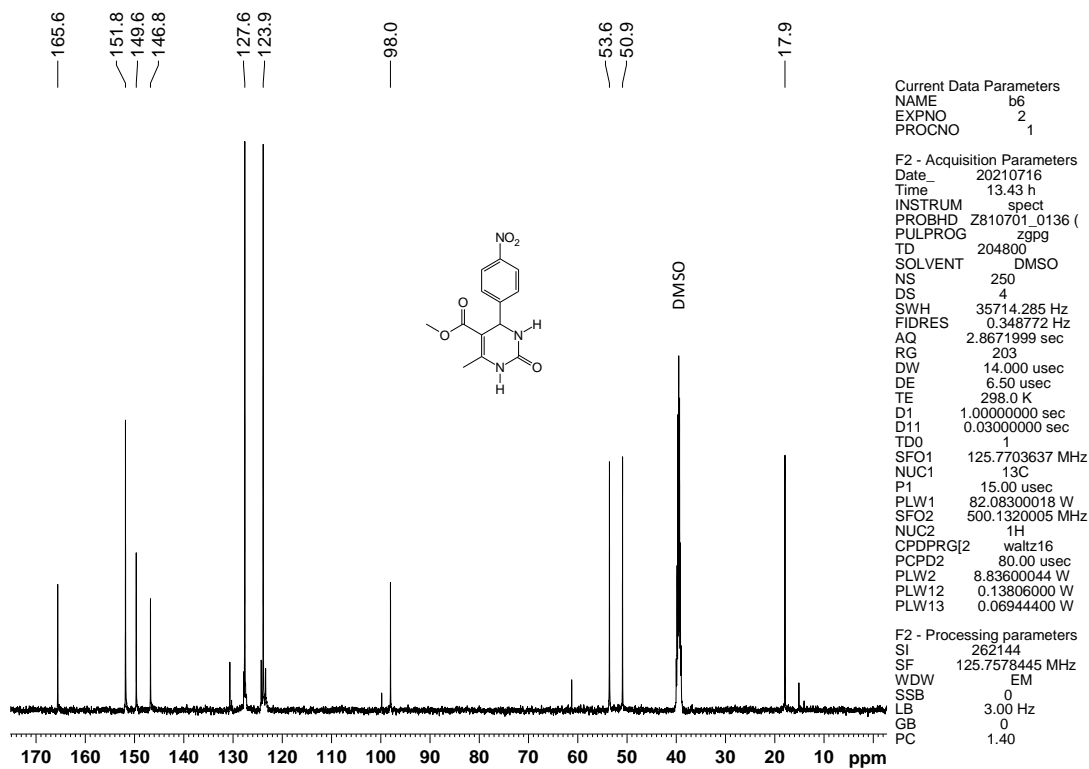
**Fig S13**  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR spectra of product B5 (*5-Methoxycarbonyl-4-(4-methylphenyl)-6-methyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1-H)-one*).



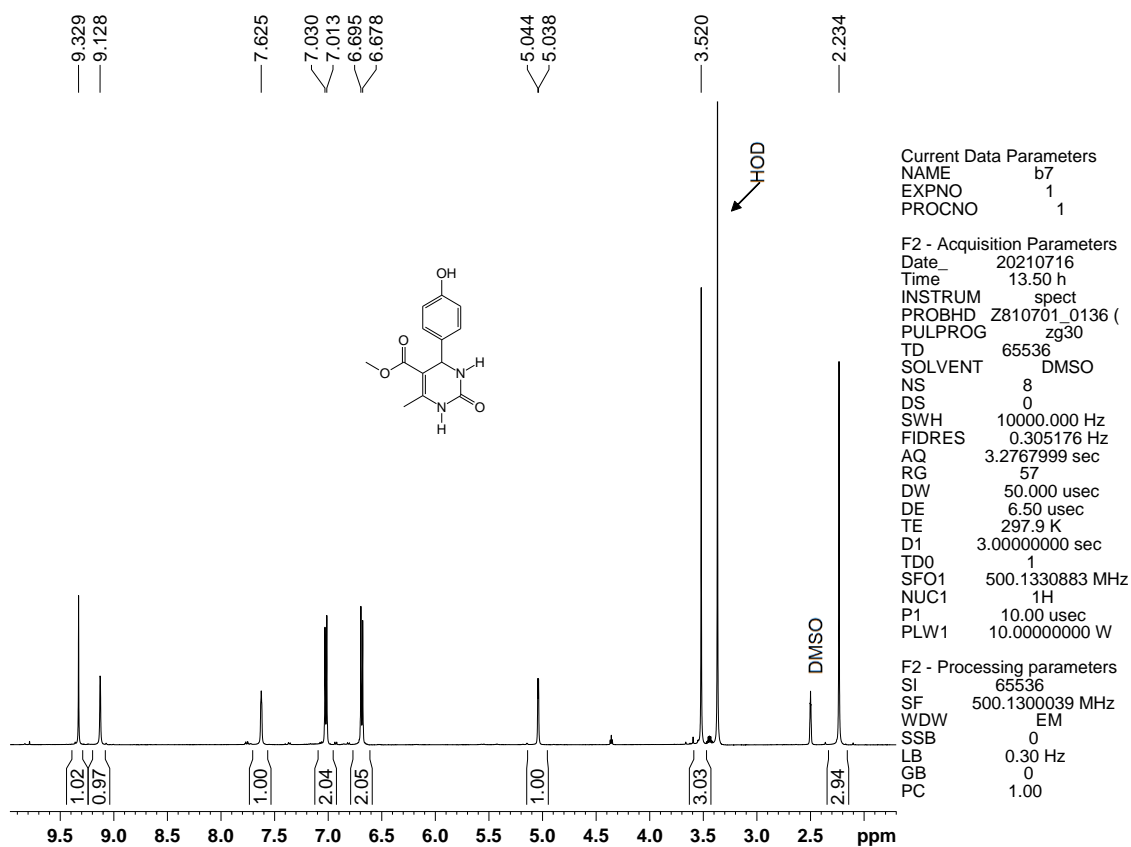
**Fig S14**  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR spectra of product B5 (*5-Methoxycarbonyl-4-(4-methylphenyl)-6-methyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1-H)-one*).



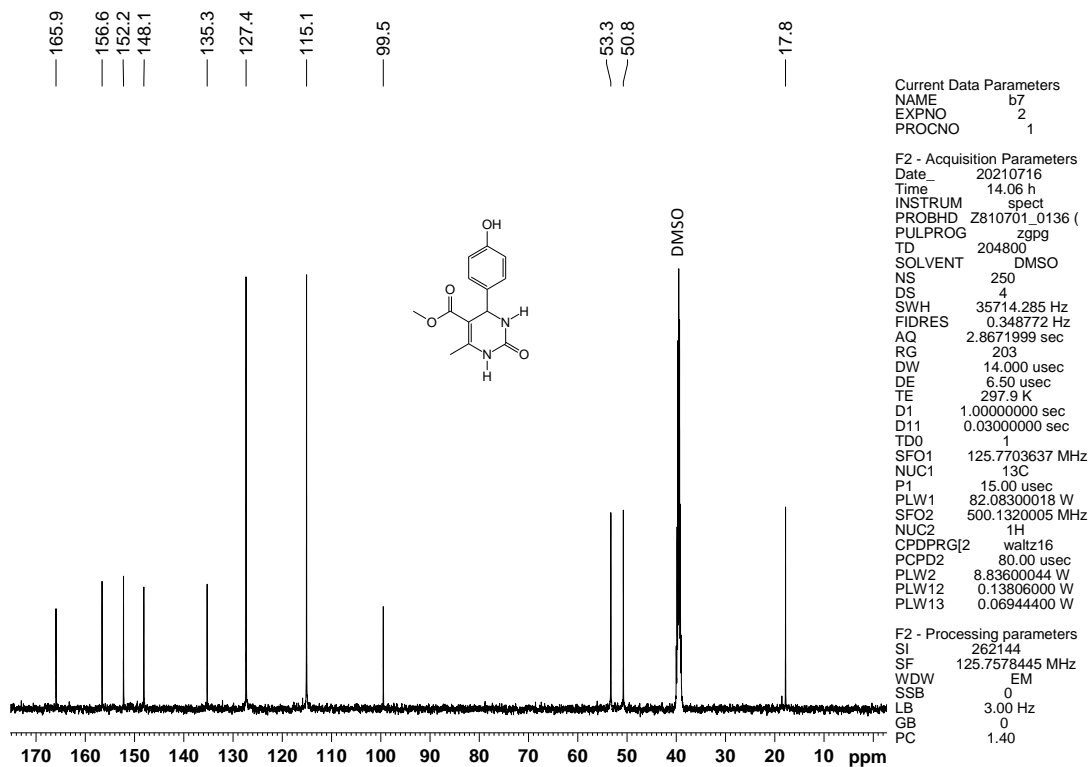
**Fig S15**  $^1\text{H-NMR}$  spectra of product B6 (5-Methoxycarbonyl-4-(4-nitrophenyl)-6-methyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1-H)-one).



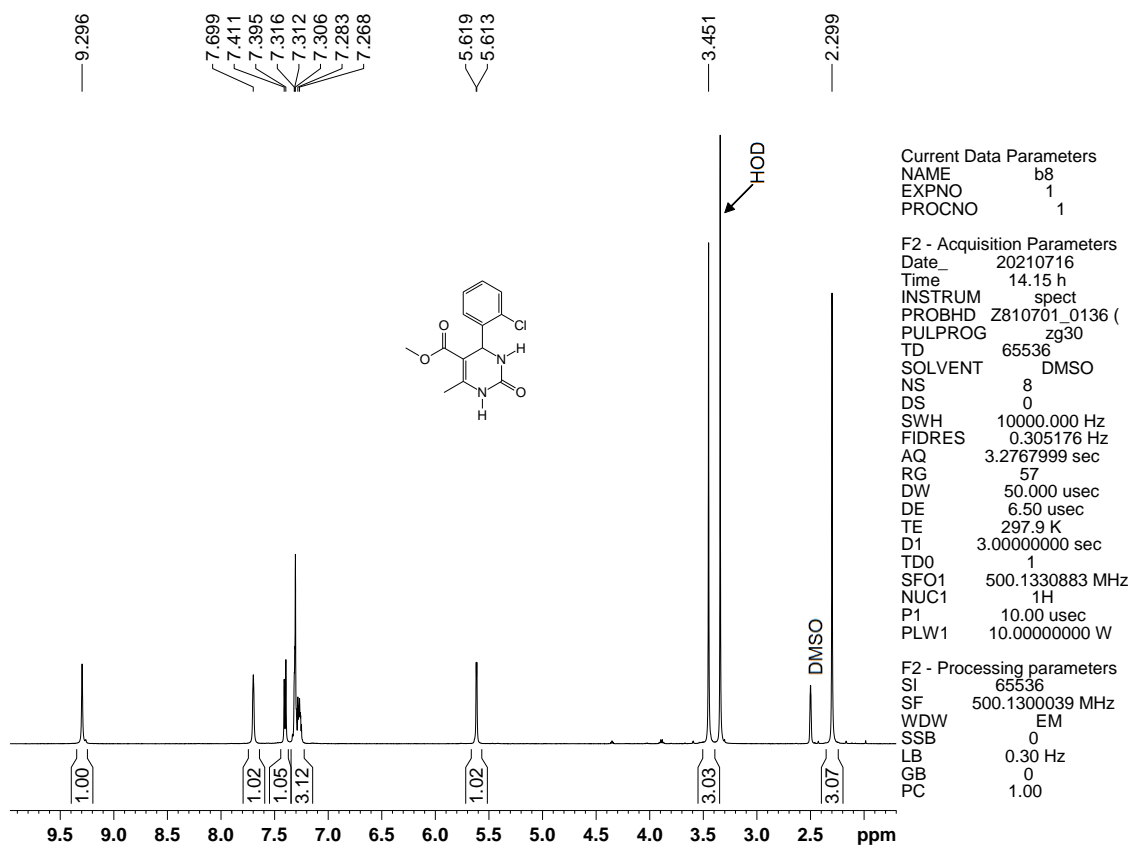
**Fig S16**  $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$  spectra of product B6 (5-Methoxycarbonyl-4-(4-nitrophenyl)-6-methyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1-H)-one).



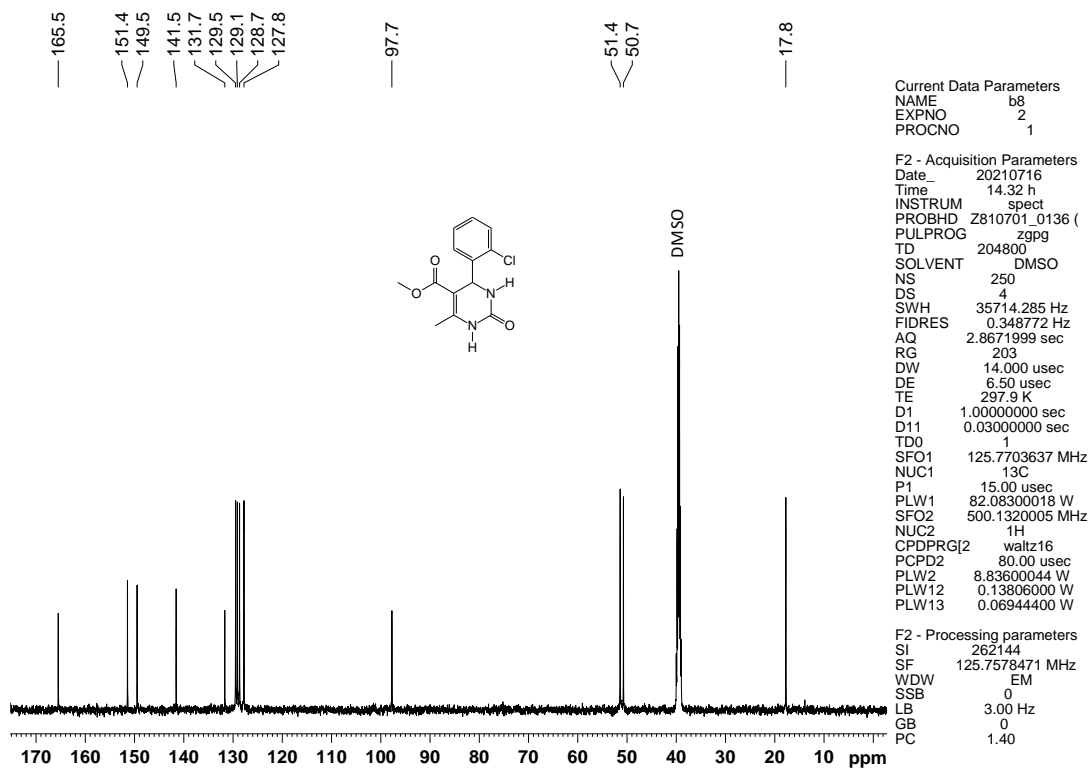
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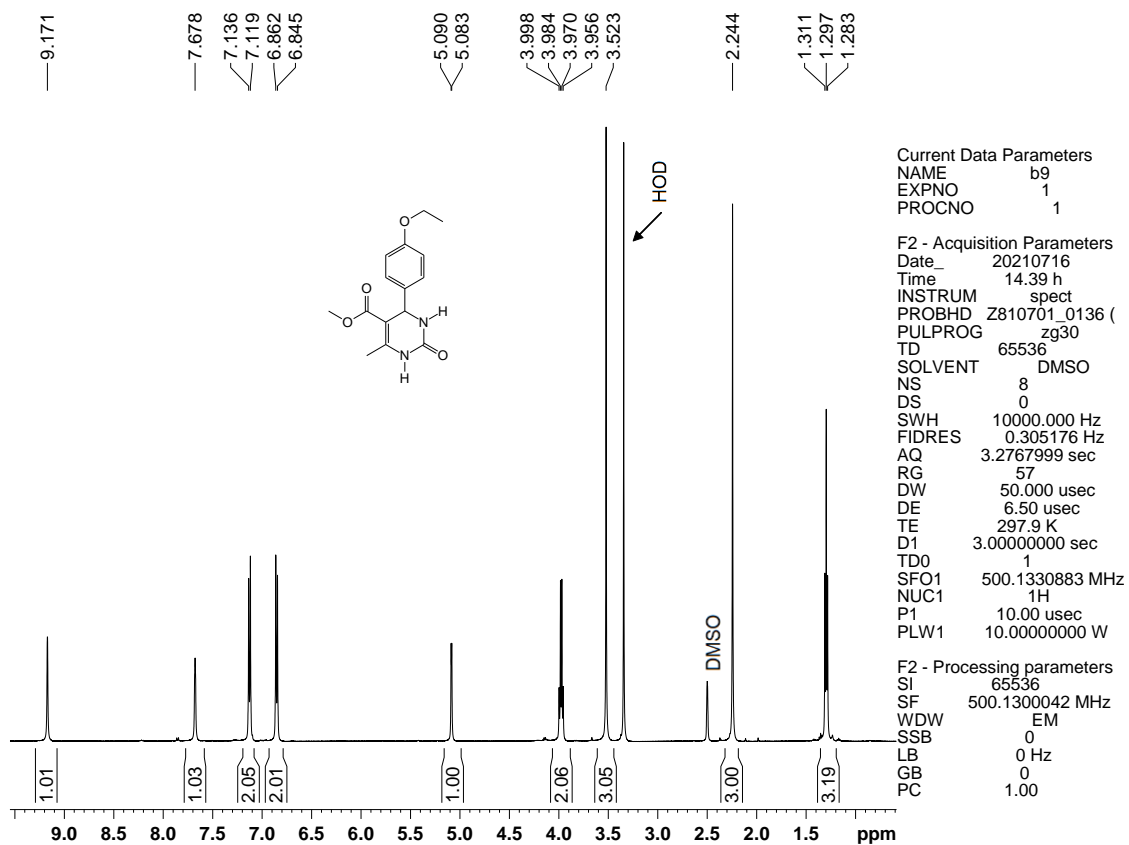
**Fig S18**  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR spectra of product B7 (5-Methoxycarbonyl-4-(4-hydroxyphenyl)-6-methyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1-H)-one).



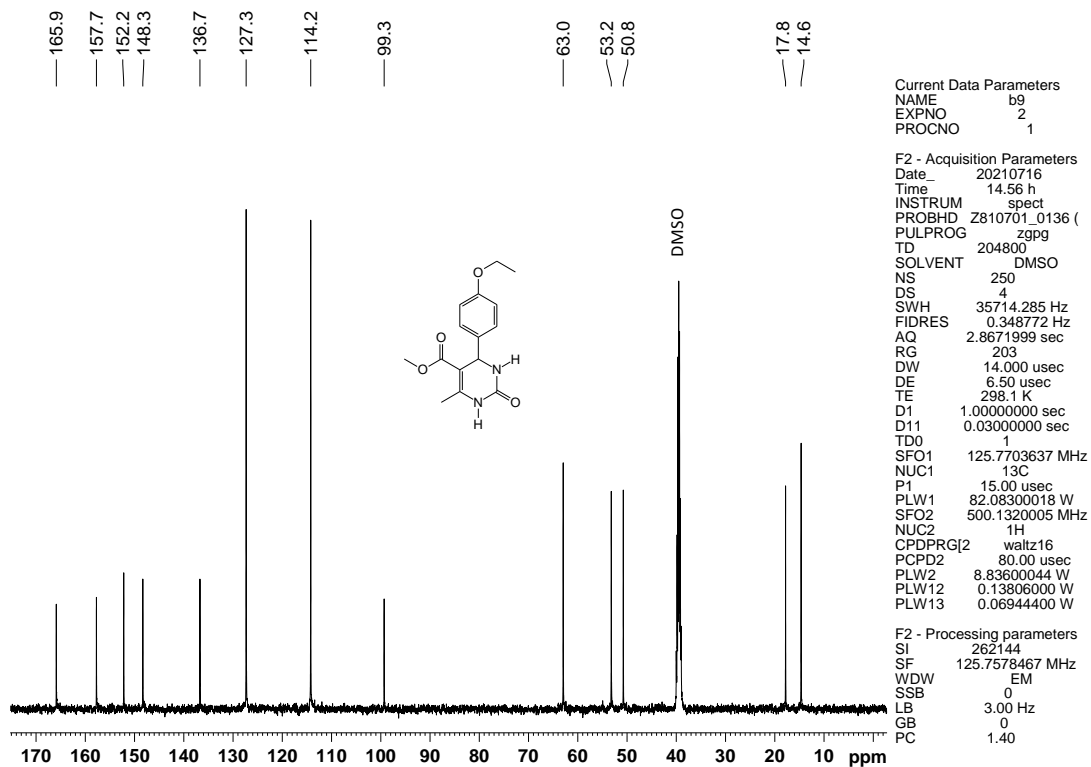
**Fig S19** <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectra of product B8 (5-Methoxycarbonyl-4-(2-chlorophenyl)-6-methyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1-H)-one).



**Fig S20** <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectra of product B8 (5-Methoxycarbonyl-4-(2-chlorophenyl)-6-methyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1-H)-one).



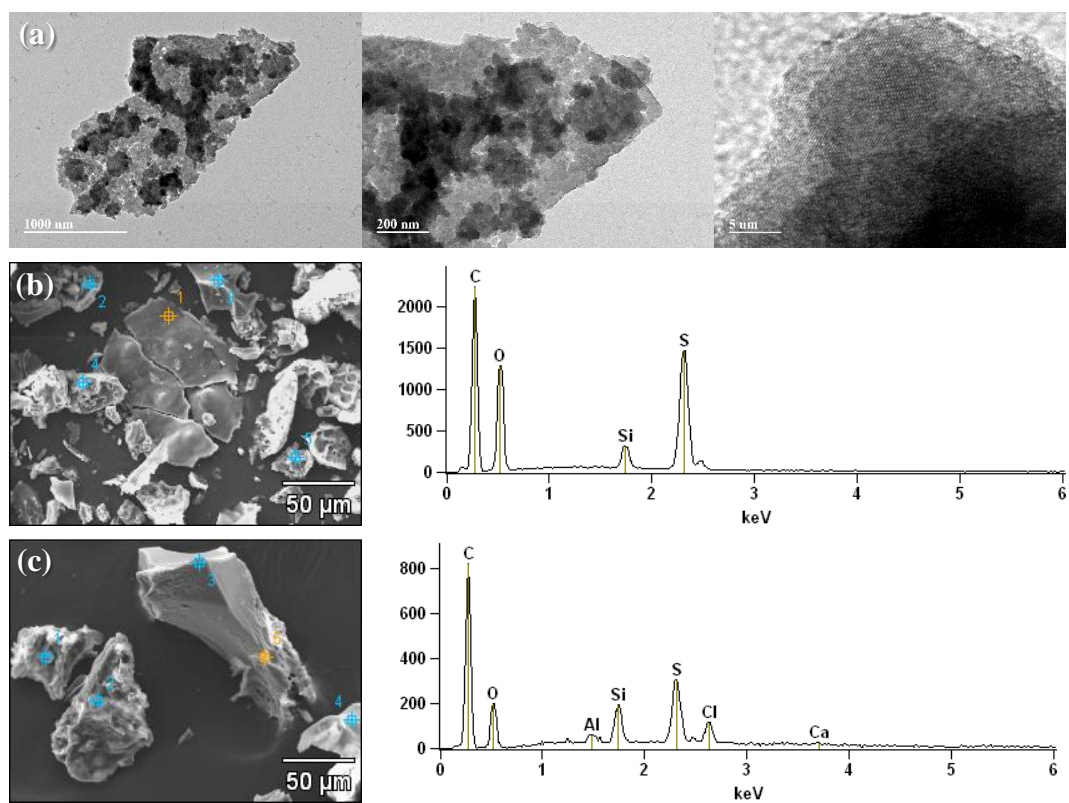
**Fig S21**  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR spectra of product B9 (5-Methoxycarbonyl-4-(4-ethoxyphenyl)-6-methyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1-H)-one).



**Fig S22**  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR spectra of product B9 (5-Methoxycarbonyl-4-(4-ethoxyphenyl)-6-methyl-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-2(1-H)-one).

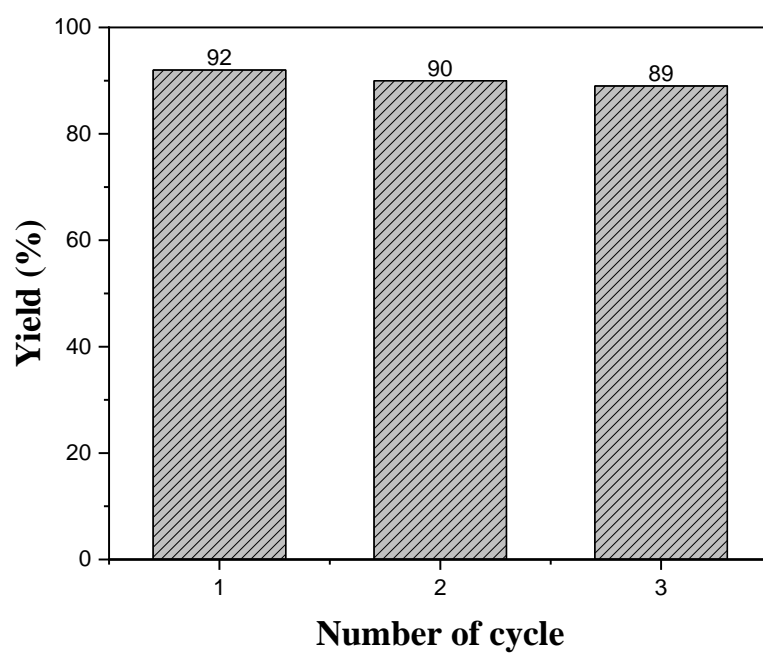


## 7. TEM images and SEM/EDX patterns of reused catalyst



**Fig S23** TEM images of reused CRH catalyst (a); SEM-EDX patterns of (b) fresh and (c) reused catalysts.

## 8. Test of catalyst reuse



**Fig S24** Reusability of CRH catalyst for Biginelli reaction