

## Supporting Information

### **Rh(III)-Catalyzed Spiroannulation of Ketimines with Cyclopropenones via Sequential C–H/C–C Bond Activation**

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## 1. General information.

All reactions involving air- and moisture-sensitive reagents were carried out under a nitrogen atmosphere. Toluene, DME, DCM, 1, 2- dichloroethane, 1, 4- dioxane and THF were distilled from appropriate drying agents prior to use. TFE (2,2,2-trifluoroethanol) and HFIP (hexafluoroisopropanol) were purchased from Energy, which were used without further purification. Other chemicals were purchased from Sigma-Aldrich and Energy, which were used without further purification. Thin-layer chromatography (TLC) was performed using 60 mesh silica gel plates visualized with short-wavelength UV light (254 nm). Silica gel 60 (230~400 mesh) was used for column chromatography. The hemiaminals<sup>1</sup> and cyclopropanones<sup>2</sup> were prepared according to the literatures.

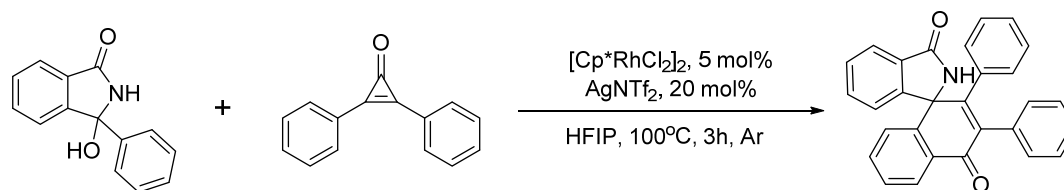
**NMR:** Spectra were recorded on a 400 MHz (Varian Unity Inova-400 or Bruker Ascend 400) NMR spectrometer. Chemical shifts ( $\delta$ ) are reported in ppm and quoted relative to the residual solvent peaks in CDCl<sub>3</sub> (<sup>1</sup>H: 7.26 ppm, <sup>13</sup>C: 77.16 ppm), DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub> (<sup>1</sup>H: 2.50 ppm, <sup>13</sup>C: 39.52 ppm), and coupling constants (*J*) are given in Hertz (Hz). Multiplicities are indicated as follows: s (singlet), d (doublet), t (triplet), q (quartet), m (multiplet), or br (broadened).

**HRMS:** High resolution mass spectra were acquired on a Bruker Daltonics MicroTof-Q II mass spectrometer with an ESI source.

**Single crystal X-ray diffraction analysis:** Diffraction data for complex **3aa** were collected on a Bruker SMART APEX II diffractometer at 150 K with graphite-monochromated Mo K $\alpha$  radiation ( $\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ \AA}$ ). An empirical absorption correction using SADABS was applied for all data.<sup>3</sup> The structures were solved and refined to convergence on  $F^2$  for all independent reflections by the full-matrix least squares method using the SHELXL-2016 programs.<sup>4</sup>

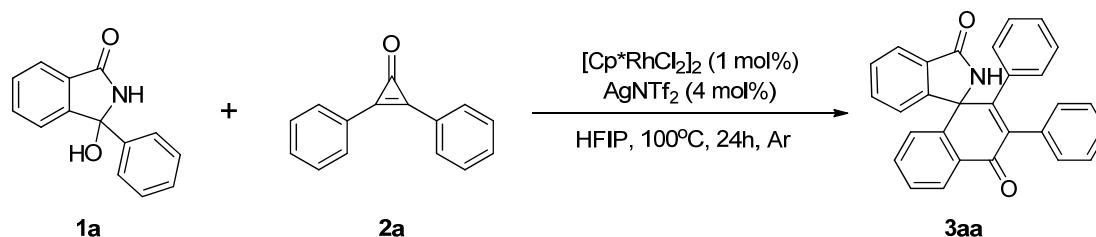
## 2. Experimental procedures.

### General procedure for synthesis of 3aa.



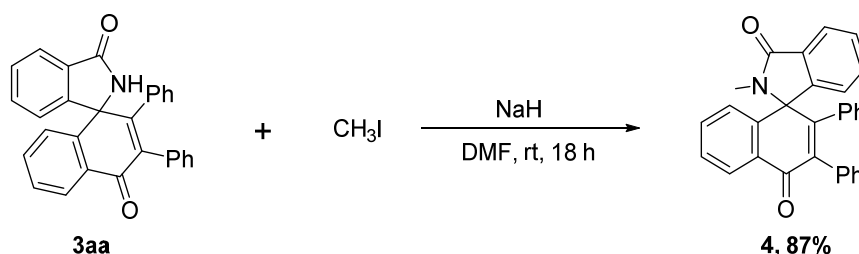
A mixture of cyclopropenone (0.1 mmol, 20.6 mg, 1.0 equiv), 3-hydroxy-3-phenylisoindolin-1-one (0.12 mmol, 27.0 mg, 1.2 equiv),  $[\text{Cp}^*\text{RhCl}_2]_2$  (0.005 mmol, 3.1 mg, 5 mol %),  $\text{AgNTf}_2$  (0.02 mmol, 7.8 mg, 20 mol %) in HFIP (1.0 mL) was stirred under argon at 100 °C for 3 hours. After cooled to room temperature, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The contents were subjected to flash chromatography (petrol ether/EtOAc 3:1) to give the product as white solid (0.09 mmol, 36.4 mg, 88 %).

### Experimental procedure for large scale synthesis of compound 3aa.



A mixture of cyclopropenone (10 mmol, 2.06 g, 1.0 equiv), 3-hydroxy-3-phenylisoindolin-1-one (12 mmol, 2.7 g, 1.2 equiv),  $[\text{Cp}^*\text{RhCl}_2]_2$  (0.1 mmol, 61.8 mg, 1 mol %),  $\text{AgNTf}_2$  (0.4 mmol, 155.2 mg, 4 mol %) in HFIP (50 mL) was stirred under argon at 100 °C for 24 hours. After cooled to room temperature, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The contents were subjected to flash chromatography (petrol ether/EtOAc 3:1) to give the product as white solid (8.3 mmol, 3.43 g, 83 %).

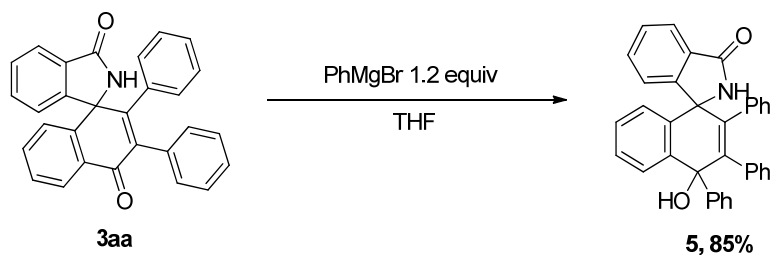
### Experimental procedure for *N*-methylation of 3aa.



Sodium hydride (0.24 mmol, 9.6 mg, 60 % oil dispersion) was added to a stirred solution of 3aa (0.20 mmol, 82.63 mg) and methyl iodide (0.5 mmol, 71.0 mg, 2.5 equiv) in DMF (1.0 mL). After the initial exothermic reaction had subsided, the mixture was stirred at 25 °C for 18 h. The solvent

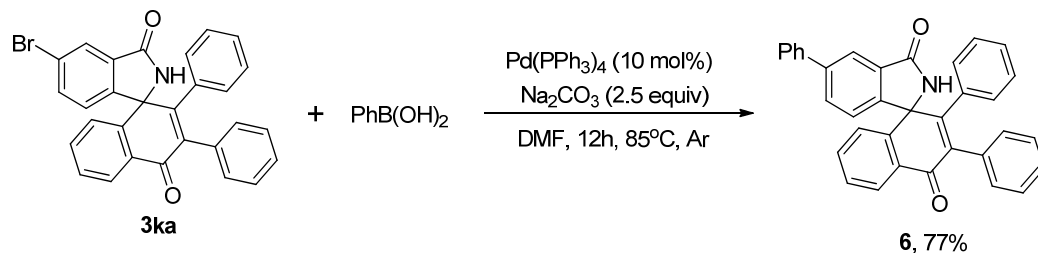
was removed in vacuo, and the residue was dissolved in H<sub>2</sub>O (5.0 mL) and extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (3×10 mL). The organic phase was dried with Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA (3:1) to afford compound **4** as a white solid (0.17 mmol, 74.3 mg, 87 %).

#### Experimental procedure for addition reaction of spiro compound **3aa** with PhMgBr.



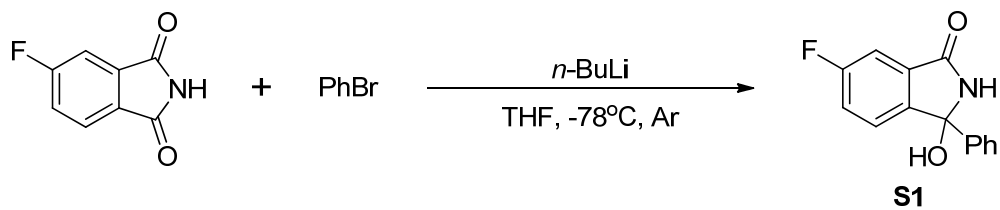
To a solution of **3aa** (0.2 mmol, 82.63 mg) in THF (5.0 mL) was added PhMgBr (0.42 mmol, 1.2 M, 0.35 mL) at 0°C under N<sub>2</sub>. The mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for 2 h. The reaction was quenched with water saturated NH<sub>4</sub>Cl aqueous solution (5 mL) and extracted with EtOAc (3x5 mL). The organic layers was combined and dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. The solvent was removed under vacuum. Then the reaction mixture was purified by flash chromatography (petrol ether/ ethyl acetate, 1:1) to afford **5** (0.17 mmol, 83.5 mg, 85 %) as white solid.

#### Experimental procedure for Suzuki coupling of **3ka** with phenylboronic acid.



A solution of **3ka** (0.1 mmol, 49.1 mg, 1.0 equiv.), PhB(OH)<sub>2</sub> (0.2 mmol, 24.4 mg, 2.0 equiv.), Pd(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub> (0.01 mmol, 11.6 mg, 10 mol%) and Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (0.25 mmol, 26.5 mg, 2.5 equiv.) in 1.0 mL of DMF was heated in oil bath at 85 °C for 12 h. After cooled to room temperature, the reaction was quenched with water (5 mL) and extracted with EtOAc (3x5 mL). The organic layers was combined and dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. The solvent was removed under vacuum. Then the reaction mixture was purified by flash chromatography (petrol ether/ ethyl acetate, 8:1) to afford **6** (0.08 mmol, 37.7 mg, 77 %) as white solid.

#### General procedure for synthesis of 3-hydroxy-3-aryl isoindolin-1-ones.

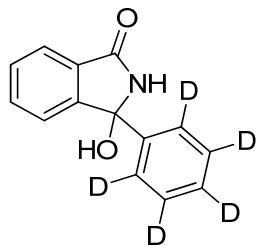


To a solution of bromobenzene (20.0 mmol, 4.0 equiv) in THF (20 mL) was added dropwise *n*-BuLi in hexane (20.0 mmol, 4.0 equiv, 1.5 M) at  $-78^\circ\text{C}$ . After stirring for 30 min, a solution of phthalimide (5.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in THF (15 mL) was added to the reaction mixture at  $-78^\circ\text{C}$ . After stirring at room temperature for 2h, the reaction mixture was quenched with saturated  $\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$  aqueous solution and extracted with ethyl acetate. The combined organic layers were washed with  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  and brine, dried over  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ , and concentrated in vacuo. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (hexane: EA = 1:1) to afford the crude product. Then the crude product was recrystallized from EtOAc/Hexane to give compound **S1** (3.55 mmol, 862.7 mg, 71%).

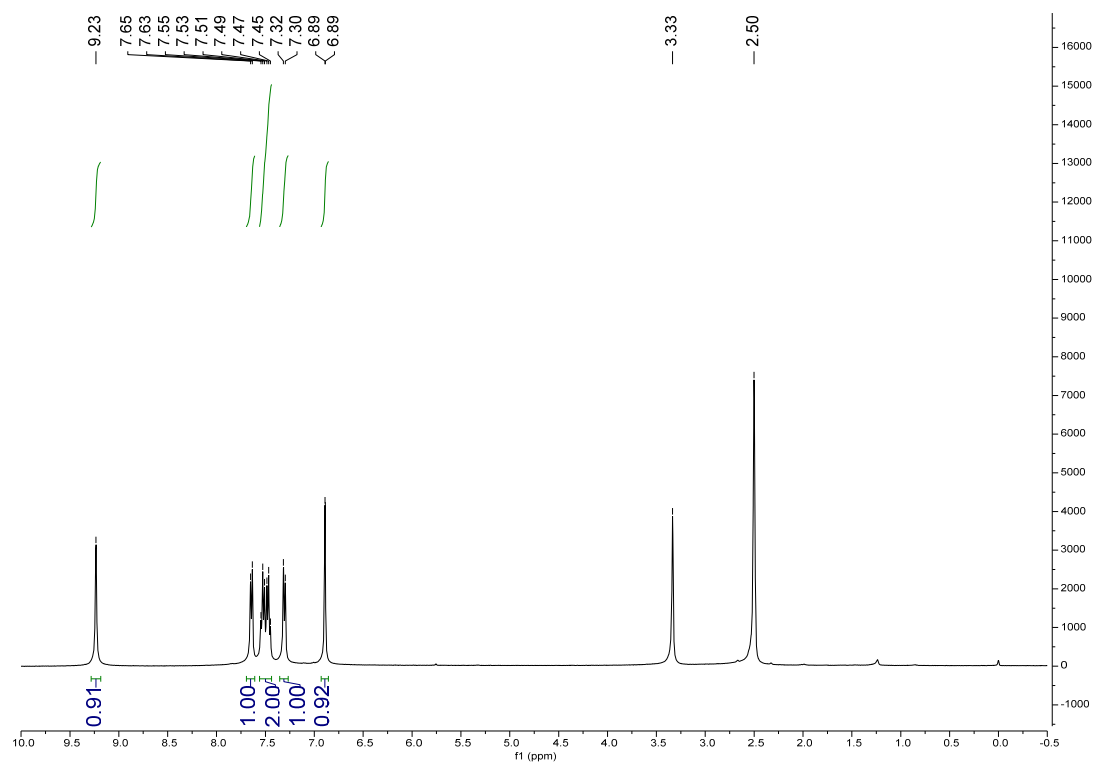
The 6-chloro-3-hydroxy-3-phenylisoindolin-1-one<sup>7</sup> and 6-methoxy-3-hydroxy-3-phenylisoindolin-1-one<sup>8</sup> were prepared according to the above procedures.

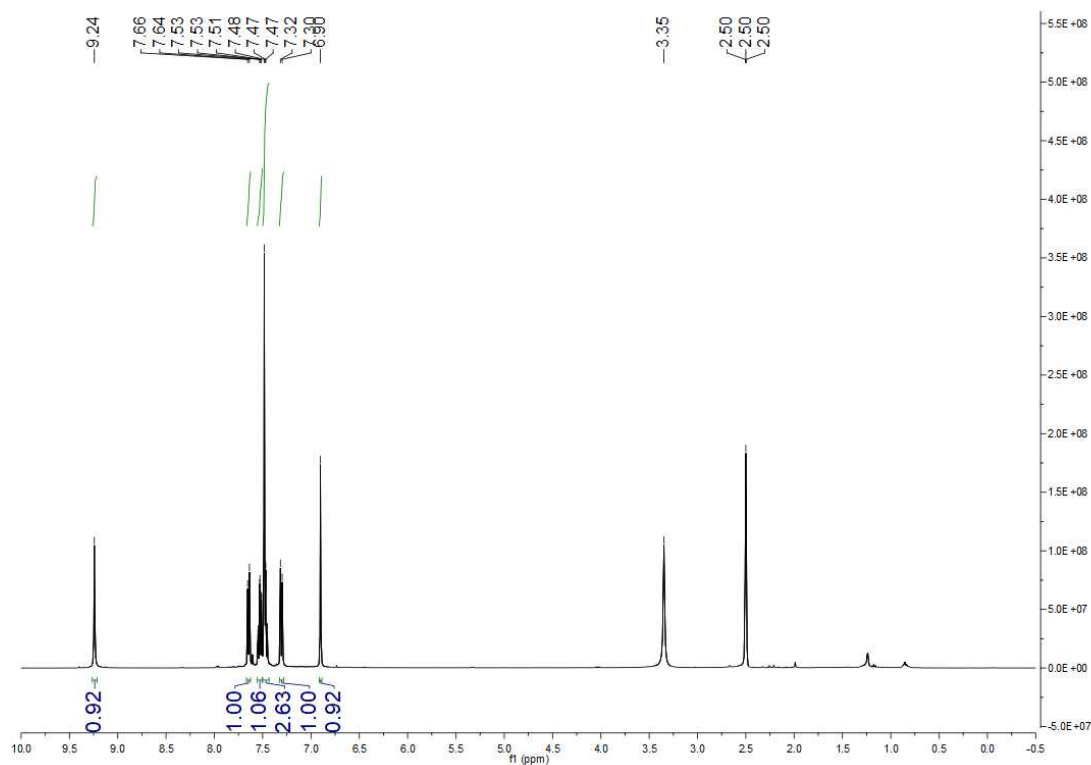
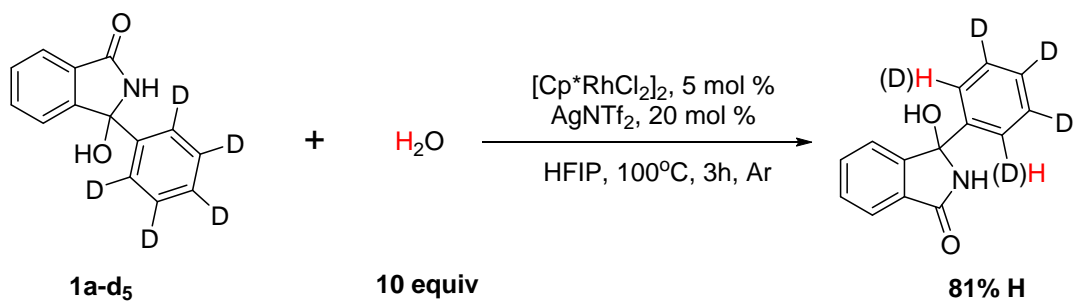
### 3. Mechanistic studies.

#### H/D scrambling experiments.



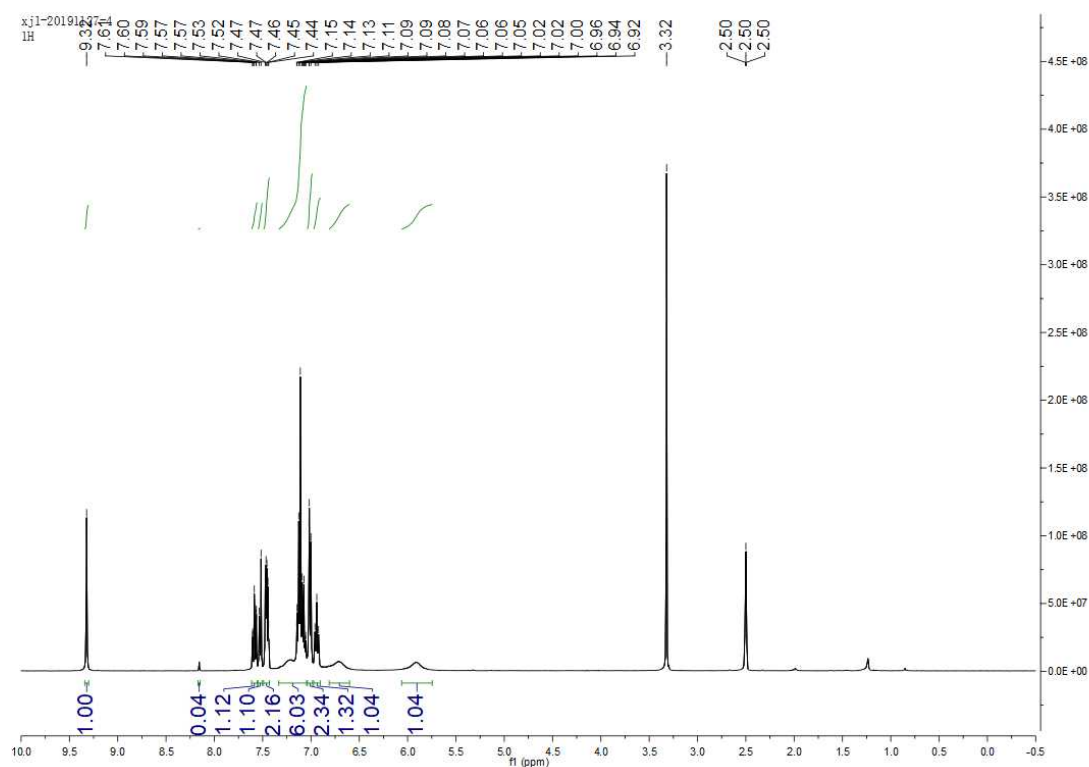
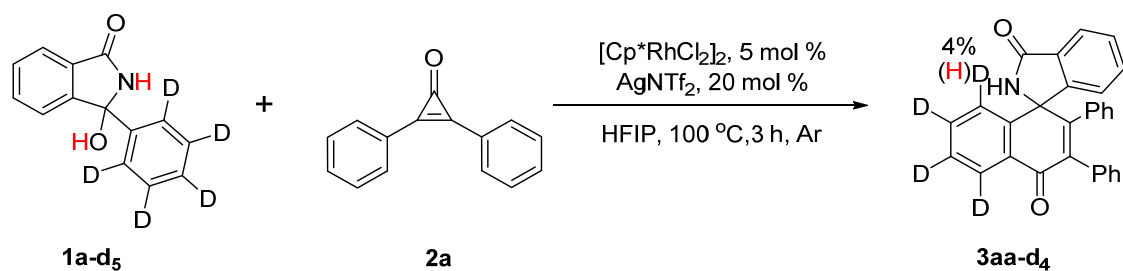
1a-d<sub>5</sub>





Compound **1a-d<sub>5</sub>** (0.1 mmol, 23.0 mg),<sup>5</sup> [Cp<sup>\*</sup>RhCl<sub>2</sub>]<sub>2</sub> (0.005 mmol, 3.1 mg, 5 mol%) and AgNTf<sub>2</sub> (0.02 mmol, 7.8 mg, 20 mol%) were placed in a Schlenk tube under argon. HFIP (1.0 mL) and H<sub>2</sub>O (18 μL, 1.0 mmol) were added successively. The Schlenk tube was capped with a glass stopper and heated at 100 °C for 3 h with stirring. The mixture was passed through a short column of silica gel with EtOAc as eluent, and the solvent was removed on a rotary evaporator. The residue was subjected to flash chromatography (petrol ether/EtOAc 3:1) to give **1a** (43%). A hydrogen content of the recovered **1a** at the *ortho*-position was determined to be 81% by <sup>1</sup>H NMR.

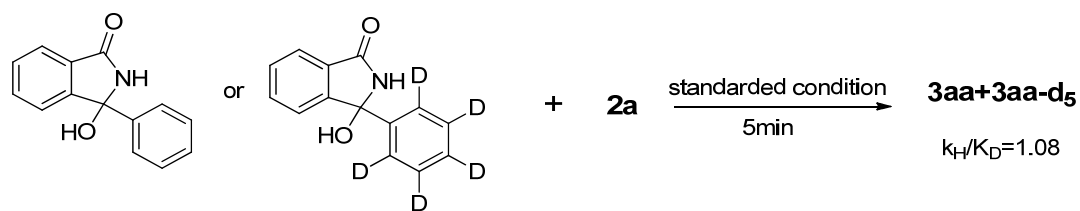
### The reaction of **1a-d<sub>5</sub>** with **2a**



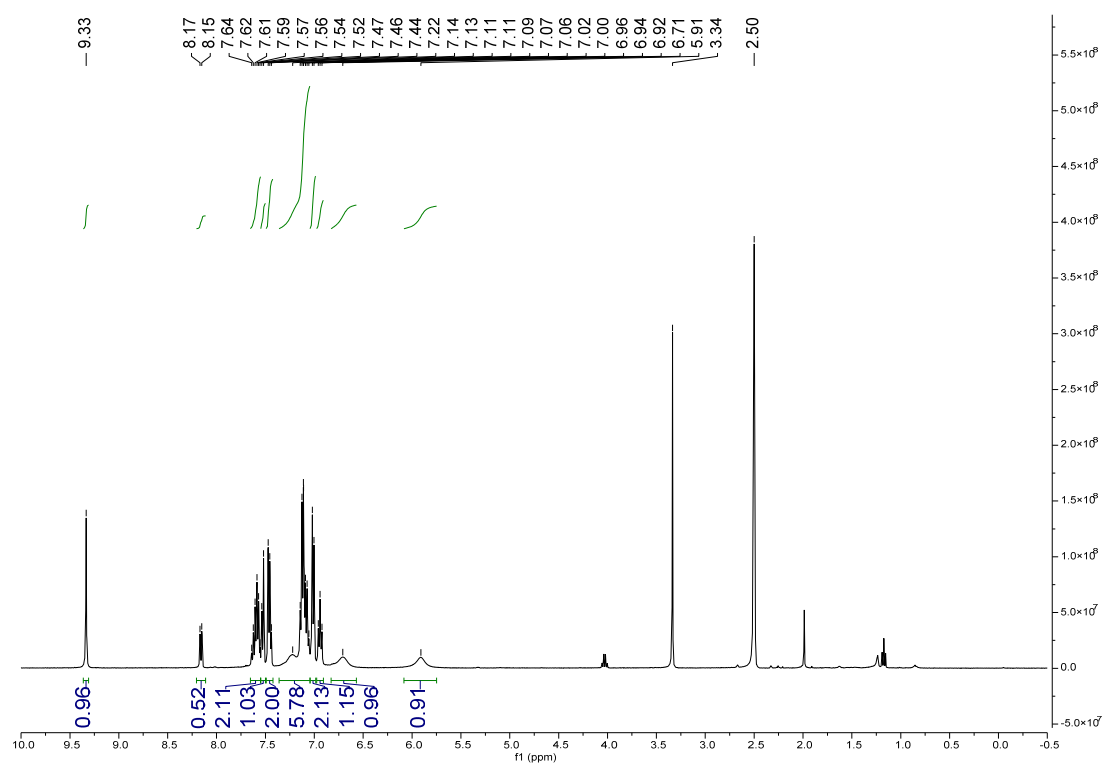
A mixture of cyclopropenone (0.1 mmol, 20.6 mg, 1.0 equiv), compound **1a-d<sub>5</sub>** (27.6 mg, 0.12 mmol, 1.2 equiv),  $[\text{Cp}^*\text{RhCl}_2]_2$  (0.005 mmol, 3.1 mg, 5 mol %),  $\text{AgNTf}_2$  (0.02 mmol, 7.8 mg, 20 mol %) in HFIP (1.0 mL) was stirred under argon at 100 °C for 3 hours. After cooled to room temperature, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The contents were subjected to flash chromatography (petrol ether/EtOAc 3:1) to give the product as white solid **3aa-d<sub>4</sub>** (0.09 mmol, 36.4 mg, 88 %). A hydrogen content of the annulation product **3aa-d<sub>4</sub>** at the *ortho*-position was determined to be 4% by <sup>1</sup>H NMR.



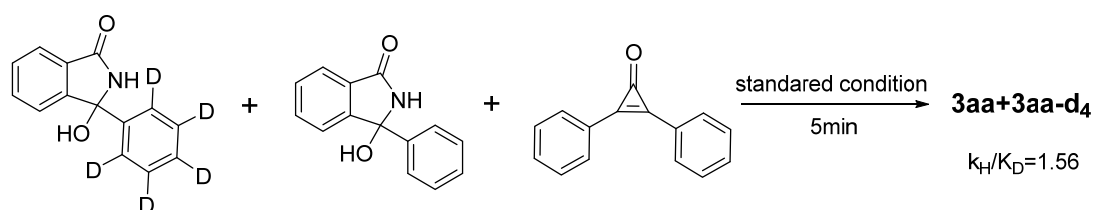
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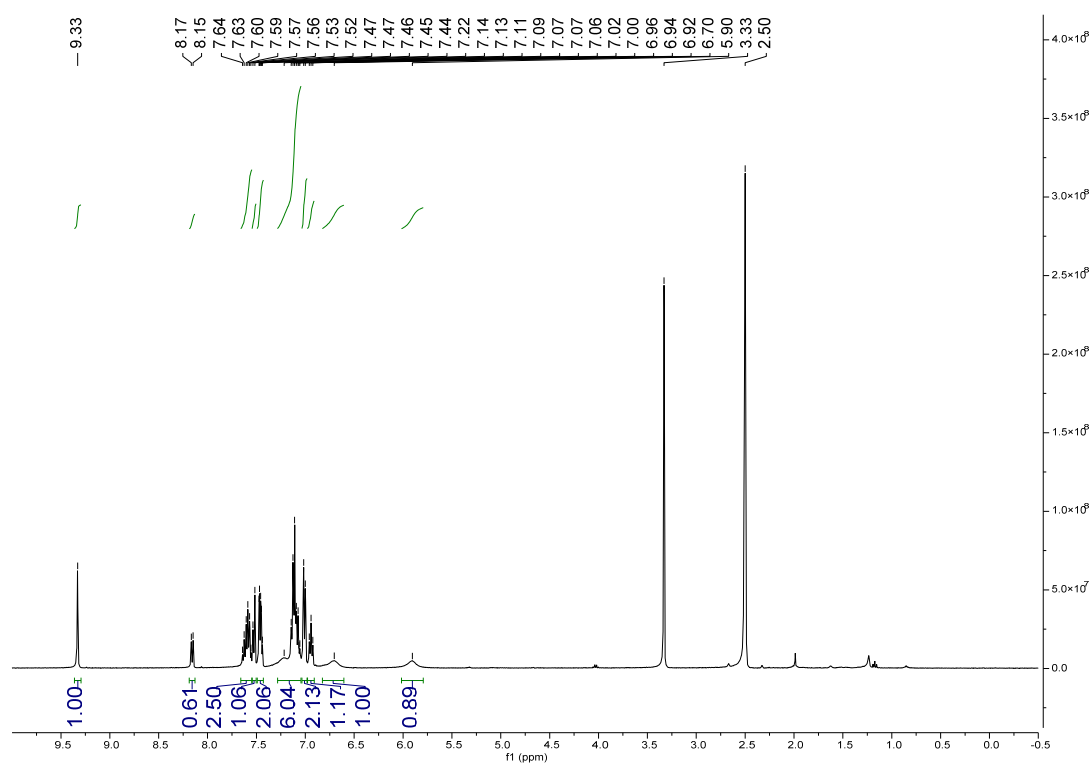
A mixture of **1a** (0.12 mmol, 27.0 mg, 1.2 equiv) or **1a-d<sub>5</sub>** (0.12 mmol, 27.6 mg, 1.2 equiv), **2a** (0.1 mmol, 20.6 mg, 1.0 equiv), [Cp\**RhCl*<sub>2</sub>]<sub>2</sub> (0.005 mmol, 3.1 mg, 5 mol%) and AgNTf<sub>2</sub> (0.02 mmol, 7.8 mg, 20 mol%) in HFIP (1.0 mL) was stirred separately in an oil bath preheated at 100 °C for 5 min under argon. Afterwards, the resulting mixtures in the two tubes were combined, and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography (petrol ether/EtOAc 3:1) to give the corresponding products **3aa/3aa-d<sub>5</sub>** (6.6 mg). The KIE value was determined to be  $K_H/K_D = 1.08$  on the basis of <sup>1</sup>H NMR analysis.



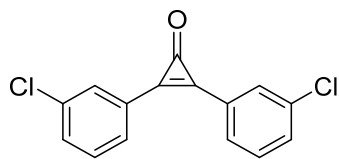
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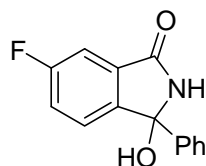
A mixture of **1a** (0.12 mmol, 27.0 mg, 1.2 equiv), **1a-d<sub>5</sub>** (0.12 mmol, 27.6 mg, 1.2 equiv), **2a** (0.1 mmol, 20.6 mg, 1.0 equiv), [Cp\**RhCl*<sub>2</sub>]<sub>2</sub> (0.005 mmol, 3.1 mg, 5 mol%) and AgNTf<sub>2</sub> (0.02 mmol, 7.8 mg, 20 mol%) in HFIP (1.0 mL) was stirred in an oil bath preheated at 100 °C for 5 min under argon. After cooled to room temperature, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography (petrol ether/EtOAc 3:1) to give the corresponding products **3aa/3aa-d<sub>5</sub>** (4.1 mg). The KIE value was determined to be  $K_H/K_D = 1.56$  on the basis of <sup>1</sup>H NMR analysis.



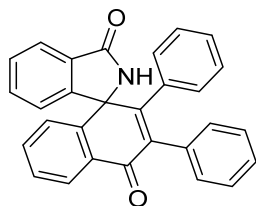
#### 4. Characterization of the Products



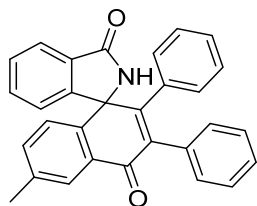
**2j:** This substrate was prepared according to the literature<sup>6</sup>. m.p. 179 – 180 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ: 7.92 (s, 2H), 7.84 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.60 – 7.53 (m, 4H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ: 155.0, 148.6, 135.7, 133.2, 131.4, 131.0, 129.6, 125.2. IR ν 2928, 1832, 1632, 1405, 1344, 1077, 884, 790, 687, 660 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>8</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>ONa 296.9850; Found 296.9847.



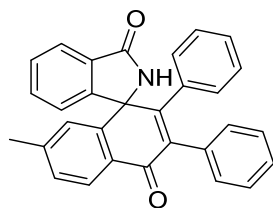
**S1:** m.p. 157 – 158 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ: 9.36 (s, 1H), 7.73 – 7.69 (m, 1H), 7.51 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.36 – 7.31 (m, 4H), 7.16 – 7.13 (m, 1H), 7.07 (s, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ: 167.4, 164.9 (d, *J* = 251.0 Hz), 153.7 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz), 141.6, 128.4, 128.1, 126.9, 125.6, 125.2 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz), 116.5 (d, *J* = 23.0 Hz), 110.1 (d, *J* = 24.0 Hz), 86.9. <sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ: -107.0. IR ν 3305, 1710, 1618, 1482, 1453, 1262, 1055, 695, 598 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>10</sub>FNO<sub>2</sub>Na 266.0593; Found 266.0585.



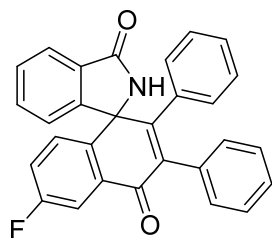
**3aa:** The crude product was purified by column chromatography (petrol ether/ethyl acetate, 3:1) to afford **3aa** as white solid (36.4 mg, 88 %); m.p. 245 – 246 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ: 9.33 (s, 1H), 8.16 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.64 – 7.55 (m, 3H), 7.53 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.47 – 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.22 (s, 1H), 7.15 – 7.06 (m, 5H), 7.01 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.94 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.72 (s, 1H), 5.91 (s, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ: 183.0, 169.4, 155.5, 147.7, 142.3, 139.6, 135.2, 135.0, 133.7, 132.8, 131.9, 130.3, 130.0, 129.1, 128.7, 127.2, 127.2, 126.8, 126.7, 126.5, 123.4, 123.1, 63.7. IR ν 3447, 3061, 1698, 1653, 1343, 1257, 742, 699, 585 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>19</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>Na 436.1308; Found 436.1317.



**3ba:** The crude product was purified by column chromatography (petrol ether/ethyl acetate, 3:1) to afford **3ba** as white solid (38.5 mg, 90 %); m.p. 276 – 277 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ: 9.31 (s, 1H), 7.96 (s, 1H), 7.59 – 7.56 (m, 1H), 7.51 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.46 – 7.41 (m, 3H), 7.21 (s, 1H), 7.14 – 7.05 (m, 4H), 7.00 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 3H), 6.95 – 6.92 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.70 (s, 1H), 5.90 (s, 1H), 2.40 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ: 183.0, 169.4, 155.4, 147.8, 139.6, 139.5, 138.1, 135.3, 135.0, 134.5, 132.7, 131.9, 130.2, 129.8, 128.9, 127.1, 127.1, 126.7, 126.6, 126.3, 123.3, 122.9, 63.5, 20.6. IR ν 3358, 3190, 3060, 1697, 1652, 1608, 755, 715, 695, 573 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>21</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>Na 450.1465; Found 450.1469.

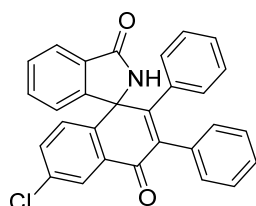


**3ca:** The crude product was purified by column chromatography (petrol ether/ethyl acetate, 3:1) to afford **3ca** as white solid (29.9 mg, 70 %); m.p. > 300 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ: 9.31 (s, 1H), 8.06 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.61 – 7.57 (m, 1H), 7.52 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.47 – 7.43 (m, 2H), 7.39 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.22 (s, 1H), 7.13 – 7.05 (m, 4H), 6.99 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.95 – 6.91 (m, 2H), 6.69 (s, 1H), 5.86 (s, 1H), 2.29 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ: 182.7, 169.4, 155.3, 147.8, 144.1, 142.3, 139.4, 135.3, 135.0, 132.8, 131.9, 130.2, 129.7, 129.1, 127.9, 127.2, 127.1, 126.8, 126.7, 126.4, 123.4, 123.0, 63.7, 21.3. IR ν 3356, 3190, 3062, 1694, 1653, 1342, 746, 716, 697, 577 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>21</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>Na 450.1465; Found 450.1469.

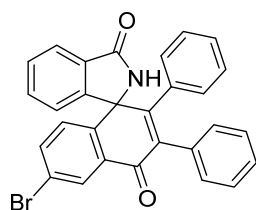


**3ea:** The crude product was purified by column chromatography (petrol ether/ethyl acetate, 3:1) to afford **3ea** as white solid (41.8 mg, 97 %); m.p. 233 – 234 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ:

9.37 (s, 1H), 7.84 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.60 (t,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.54 – 7.44 (m, 4H), 7.24 (s, 1H), 7.19 – 7.06 (m, 5H), 7.02 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H), 6.94 (t,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 6.70 (s, 1H), 5.91 (s, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, DMSO- $D_6$ )  $\delta$ : 182.0, 169.4, 161.9 (d,  $J = 246.0$  Hz), 156.0, 147.4, 139.4, 138.5 (d,  $J = 3.0$  Hz), 134.9, 134.8, 132.9, 132.1 (d,  $J = 6.0$  Hz), 131.9, 130.2, 130.0 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz), 129.2, 127.3, 126.9, 123.5, 123.2, 121.5, 121.3, 112.0 (d,  $J = 22.0$  Hz), 63.5.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$ : -112.3. IR  $\nu$  3442, 3063, 1699, 1653, 1333, 1266, 754, 717, 573  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$ :  $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  Calcd for  $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{19}\text{FNO}_2$  432.1400; Found 432.1402.

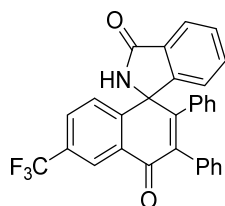


**3fa:** The crude product was purified by column chromatography (petrol ether/ethyl acetate, 3:1) to afford **3fa** as white solid (45.9 mg, 96 %); m.p. 271 – 272 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$ : 9.35 (s, 1H), 8.09 (s, 1H), 7.68 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.60 (t,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.54 – 7.51 (m, 2H), 7.49 – 7.42 (m, 1H), 7.21 (s, 1H), 7.15 – 7.08 (m, 5H), 7.01 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H), 6.94 (t,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 6.71 (s, 1H), 5.91 (s, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, DMSO- $D_6$ )  $\delta$ : 181.8, 169.3, 155.8, 147.2, 141.1, 139.4, 134.8, 134.7, 133.6, 133.5, 132.9, 131.9, 131.6, 130.2, 129.3, 129.2, 127.2, 126.9, 125.6, 123.4, 123.1, 63.3. IR  $\nu$  3467, 3062, 1700, 1652, 1333, 1250, 754, 711, 582  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$ :  $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$  Calcd for  $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{18}\text{ClNO}_2\text{Na}$  470.0924; Found 470.0935.

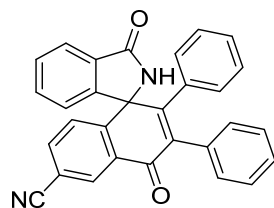


**3ga:** The crude product was purified by column chromatography (petrol ether/ethyl acetate, 3:1) to afford **3ga** as white solid (46.8 mg, 95 %); m.p. 292 – 294 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$ : 9.35 (s, 1H), 8.23 (s, 1H), 7.81 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.60 (t,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.54 – 7.51 (m, 2H), 7.47 (t,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.21 (s, 1H), 7.15 – 7.06 (m, 5H), 7.01 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H), 6.94 (t,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 6.71 (s, 1H), 5.91 (s, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, DMSO- $D_6$ )  $\delta$ : 181.7, 169.3, 155.8, 147.2, 141.5, 139.4, 136.4, 134.8, 134.7, 132.9, 131.8, 131.8, 130.2, 129.4, 129.3, 128.7, 127.2, 126.9, 123.5, 123.1, 122.0, 63.4. IR  $\nu$  3367, 3061, 1700, 1652, 1332, 1249, 754, 708, 641, 582  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . HRMS

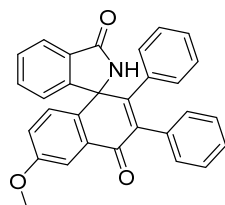
(ESI)  $m/z$ :  $[M+H]^+$  Calcd for  $C_{29}H_{19}BrNO_2$  492.0594; Found 492.0596.



**3ha:** The crude product was purified by column chromatography (petrol ether/ethyl acetate, 3:1) to afford **3ha** as white solid (42.8 mg, 89 %); m.p. 274 – 275 °C.  $^1H$  NMR (400 MHz,  $DMSO-d_6$ )  $\delta$ : 9.43 (s, 1H), 8.40 (s, 1H), 7.98 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.63 – 7.56 (m, 3H), 7.49 (t,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.36 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.23 (s, 1H), 7.16 – 7.07 (m, 4H), 7.05 – 7.01 (m, 2H), 6.96 (t,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 6.71 (s, 1H), 5.92 (s, 1H).  $^{13}C$  NMR (101 MHz,  $DMSO-d_6$ )  $\delta$ : 181.8, 169.3, 155.8, 146.9, 146.4, 139.5, 134.7, 134.6, 133.0, 131.9, 130.6, 130.2, 129.6 (q,  $J = 34.0$  Hz), 129.1, 128.6, 127.3, 127.2, 127.0, 123.6 (q,  $J = 271.0$  Hz), 123.5, 123.3, 123.2 (q,  $J = 4.0$  Hz), 63.5.  $^{19}F$  NMR (376 MHz,  $DMSO-d_6$ )  $\delta$ : -61.5. IR  $\nu$  3436, 1702, 1655, 1312, 1123, 755, 703  $cm^{-1}$ . HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$ :  $[M+Na]^+$  Calcd for  $C_{30}H_{18}F_3NO_2Na$  504.1182; Found 504.1185.

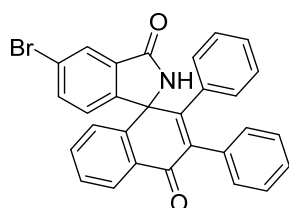


**3ia:** The crude product was purified by column chromatography (petrol ether/ethyl acetate, 3:1) to afford **3ia** as white solid (24.6 mg, 56 %); m.p. 237 – 238 °C.  $^1H$  NMR (400 MHz,  $DMSO-d_6$ )  $\delta$ : 9.42 (s, 1H), 8.53 (s, 1H), 8.02 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.61 (t,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.57 – 7.54 (m, 2H), 7.49 (t,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.30 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.22 (s, 1H), 7.16 – 7.07 (m, 4H), 7.03 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H), 6.95 (t,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 6.71 (s, 1H), 5.91 (s, 1H).  $^{13}C$  NMR (101 MHz,  $DMSO-d_6$ )  $\delta$ : 182.7, 167.8, 154.3, 146.9, 141.5, 139.8, 135.5, 135.1, 134.7, 134.2, 133.8, 130.2, 130.0, 128.8, 127.2, 127.1, 126.8, 126.7, 126.5, 126.0, 125.4, 122.2, 63.4. IR  $\nu$  3436, 1701, 1653, 1340, 1255, 757, 699  $cm^{-1}$ . HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$ :  $[M+Na]^+$  Calcd for  $C_{30}H_{18}N_2O_2Na$  461.1260; Found 461.1254.

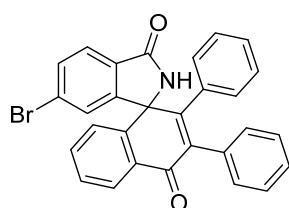


**3ja:** The crude product was purified by column chromatography (petrol ether/ethyl acetate, 3:1) to

afford **3ja** as white solid (30.1 mg, 68 %); m.p. 272 – 273 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ: 9.30 (s, 1H), 7.61 – 7.56 (m, 2H), 7.52 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.22 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.14 – 7.00 (m, 7H), 6.93 (t, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 6.71 (s, 1H), 5.92 (s, 1H), 3.84 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ: 182.8, 169.3, 159.2, 155.6, 147.8, 139.5, 135.2, 135.0, 134.5, 132.7, 131.9, 131.2, 130.2, 129.0, 128.4, 127.2, 127.1, 126.7, 123.3, 122.9, 121.3, 108.8, 63.5, 55.5. IR ν 3357, 3058, 2851, 1699, 1650, 1019, 753, 717, 592, 578 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: [M+H]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>22</sub>NO<sub>3</sub> 444.1600; Found 444.1609.

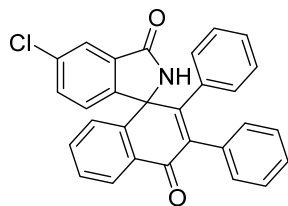


**3ka**: The crude product was purified by column chromatography (petrol ether/ethyl acetate, 3:1) to afford **3ka** as white solid (47.3 mg, 96 %); m.p. 292 – 293 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ: 9.50 (s, 1H), 8.15 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.66 – 7.57 (m, 3H), 7.49 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.23 (s, 1H), 7.15 – 7.08 (m, 5H), 7.02 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.97 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.78 (s, 1H), 6.02 (s, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ: 182.8, 167.9, 154.4, 146.9, 141.5, 139.9, 135.6, 135.1, 134.8, 134.2, 133.8, 130.2, 130.0, 128.9, 127.3, 127.2, 126.9, 126.8, 126.6, 126.1, 125.5, 122.3, 63.5. IR ν 3459, 3052, 1687, 1655, 1341, 743, 700, 669 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>18</sub>BrNO<sub>2</sub>Na 514.0413; Found 514.0409.

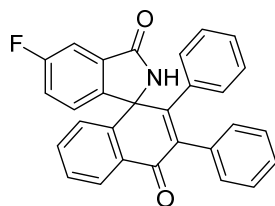


**3la**: The crude product was purified by column chromatography (petrol ether/ethyl acetate, 3:1) to afford **3la** as white solid (35.4 mg, 72 %); m.p. > 300 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ: 9.44 (s, 1H), 8.16 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.88 (s, 1H), 7.66 – 7.57 (m, 3H), 7.43 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.23 (s, 1H), 7.15 – 7.05 (m, 7H), 6.95 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.77 (s, 1H), 6.07 (s, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ: 182.7, 168.3, 153.7, 150.0, 141.4, 140.0, 135.2, 134.8, 133.7, 132.4, 131.2, 130.3, 130.1, 128.8, 127.2, 127.1, 126.9, 126.7, 126.5, 126.3, 126.3, 125.2, 63.1. IR ν 3440, 3053, 1704, 1653, 1597, 1343, 1311, 754, 702, 626 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for

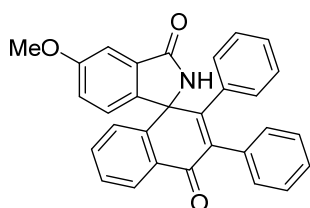
C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>18</sub>BrNO<sub>2</sub>Na 514.0413; Found 514.0406.



**3ma:** The crude product was purified by column chromatography (petrol ether/ethyl acetate, 3:1) to afford **3ma** as white solid (42.0 mg, 94 %); m.p. 273 – 274 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ: 9.47 (s, 1H), 8.17 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.75 (s, 1H), 7.66 – 7.57 (m, 2H), 7.53 – 7.48 (m, 2H), 7.26 (s, 1H), 7.15 – 7.05 (m, 7H), 6.95 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.76 (s, 1H), 6.08 (s, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ: 182.7, 168.3, 153.8, 149.9, 141.5, 140.0, 137.5, 135.2, 134.8, 133.7, 130.8, 130.3, 130.1, 129.6, 128.8, 127.2, 127.1, 126.9, 126.8, 126.6, 125.0, 123.5, 63.2. IR ν 3434, 3057, 1702, 1656, 1343, 757, 726, 701 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>18</sub>ClNO<sub>2</sub>Na 470.0924; Found 470.0920.

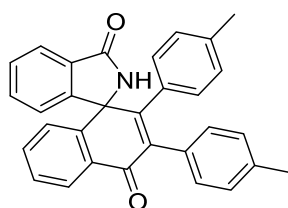


**3na:** The crude product was purified by column chromatography (petrol ether/ethyl acetate, 3:1) to afford **3na** as white solid (37.9 mg, 88 %); m.p. 237 – 238 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ: 9.41 (s, 1H), 8.15 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.63 – 7.51 (m, 4H), 7.27 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.14 – 7.01 (m, 7H), 6.94 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.75 (s, 1H), 6.10 (s, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ: 182.7, 168.3, 164.9 (d, *J* = 249.0 Hz), 154.1, 150.6 (d, *J* = 106.0 Hz), 141.6, 140.0, 135.2, 134.8, 133.7, 130.3, 130.2 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz), 128.8, 128.3, 127.2, 127.1, 126.9, 126.8, 126.6, 125.7 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz), 116.8 (d, *J* = 23.0 Hz), 110.7 (d, *J* = 24.0 Hz), 63.2. <sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ: -106.1. IR ν 3443, 3063, 1701, 1655, 1344, 1257, 755, 701 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>18</sub>FNO<sub>2</sub>Na 454.1219; Found 454.1222.

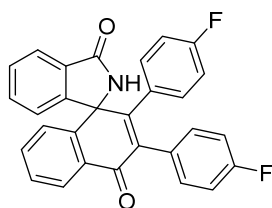




**30a:** The crude product was purified by column chromatography (petrol ether/ethyl acetate, 2:1) to afford **30a** as white solid (40.3 mg, 91 %); m.p. > 300 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ: 9.13 (s, 1H), 8.15 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.65 – 7.55 (m, 2H), 7.41 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.22 – 7.03 (m, 8H), 6.99 – 6.92 (m, 3H), 6.76 (s, 1H), 6.08 (s, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ: 183.0, 169.2, 163.1, 155.2, 150.2, 142.5, 139.7, 135.3, 135.1, 133.6, 130.3, 130.0, 128.6, 127.2, 127.1, 126.9, 126.7, 126.4, 124.8, 124.6, 115.9, 107.4, 63.2, 56.0. IR ν 3355, 3062, 2846, 1698, 1653, 1602, 1345, 1275, 754, 701 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>21</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>Na 466.1419; Found 466.1423.

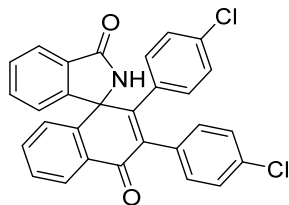


**3ab:** The crude product was purified by column chromatography (petrol ether/ethyl acetate, 3:1) to afford **3ab** as white solid (39.7 mg, 90 %); m.p. 288 – 289 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ: 9.30 (s, 1H), 8.14 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.62 – 7.53 (m, 4H), 7.47 – 7.40 (m, 2H), 7.10 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 2H), 6.95 – 6.88 (m, 5H), 6.55 (s, 1H), 5.80 (s, 1H), 2.17 (s, 3H), 2.04 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ: 183.1, 169.4, 155.4, 147.9, 142.3, 139.4, 136.1, 135.7, 133.6, 132.7, 132.3, 132.3, 131.9, 130.1, 130.0, 129.0, 128.5, 127.9, 126.5, 123.4, 122.9, 63.8, 20.7, 20.6. IR ν 3438, 3072, 1702, 1660, 1341, 742, 639 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>23</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>Na 464.1626; Found 464.1639.

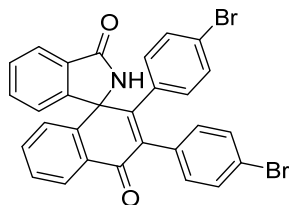


**3ac:** The crude product was purified by column chromatography (petrol ether/ethyl acetate, 3:1) to afford **3ac** as white solid (43.6 mg, 97 %); m.p. 253 – 254 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ: 9.33 (s, 1H), 8.16 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.64 – 7.61 (m, 1H), 7.59 – 7.54 (m, 3H), 7.50 – 7.45 (m, 2H), 7.28 (s, 1H), 7.11 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.08 – 6.98 (m, 5H), 6.60 (s, 1H), 5.95 (s, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ: 182.9, 169.7, 161.1 (d, *J* = 244.0 Hz), 154.8, 147.7, 142.2, 139.3, 133.9, 133.1, 132.4 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz), 131.9, 131.4 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz), 131.3 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz), 130.0, 129.4, 128.8,

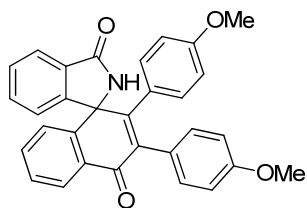
126.7 (d,  $J = 11.0$  Hz), 123.4 (d,  $J = 36.0$  Hz), 114.4 (d,  $J = 22.0$  Hz), 63.7.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$ : -114.1, -115.0. IR  $\nu$  3453, 3075, 1736, 1706, 1656, 1225, 807, 759, 750, 544  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$ :  $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$  Calcd for  $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{17}\text{F}_2\text{NO}_2\text{Na}$  472.1120; Found 472.1116.



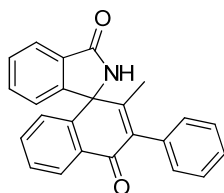
**3ad:** The crude product was purified by column chromatography (petrol ether/ethyl acetate, 3:1) to afford **3ad** as white solid (42.9 mg, 89 %); m.p. 282 – 283 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  9.34 (s, 1H), 8.16 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.63 (t,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.61 – 7.55 (m, 3H), 7.53 – 7.45 (m, 2H), 7.24 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 4H), 7.10 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.06 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H), 6.84 (s, 1H), 5.95 (s, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$ : 182.5, 169.3, 154.4, 147.3, 142.1, 138.8, 133.8, 133.6, 132.9, 132.2, 132.1, 131.8, 129.8, 129.3, 128.7, 127.4, 126.7, 126.5, 123.4, 123.2, 63.4. IR  $\nu$  3324, 3063, 1702, 1650, 1489, 1090, 1015, 759, 726, 513  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$ :  $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$  Calcd for  $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{17}\text{Cl}_2\text{NO}_2\text{Na}$  504.0529; Found 504.0527.



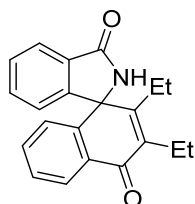
**3ae:** The crude product was purified by column chromatography (petrol ether/ethyl acetate, 3:1) to afford **3ae** as white solid (52.6 mg, 92 %); m.p. 291 – 292 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$ : 9.33 (s, 1H), 8.16 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.64 – 7.56 (m, 4H), 7.52 – 7.45 (m, 2H), 7.38 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 3H), 7.20 (s, 1H), 7.10 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.00 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 3H), 5.89 (s, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$ : 182.4, 169.3, 154.3, 147.3, 142.1, 138.7, 134.2, 134.0, 133.8, 132.9, 132.4, 131.8, 130.4, 129.8, 129.3, 128.7, 126.7, 126.5, 123.5, 123.2, 120.9, 120.5, 63.4. IR  $\nu$  3325, 3059, 2849, 1700, 1656, 1338, 1009, 758, 726, 587  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$ :  $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$  Calcd for  $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{17}\text{Br}_2\text{NO}_2\text{Na}$  591.9524; Found 591.9530.



**3af:** The crude product was purified by column chromatography (petrol ether/ethyl acetate, 3:1) to afford **3af** as white solid (50.0 mg, 95 %); m.p. 294 – 295 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$ : 9.31 (s, 1H), 8.15 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.62 – 7.55 (m, 5H), 7.47 – 7.39 (m, 2H), 7.11 – 6.92 (m, 4H), 6.71 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H), 6.48 – 5.87 (m, 2H), 3.65 (s, 3H), 3.54 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$ : 183.1, 169.5, 157.8, 157.8, 155.1, 148.0, 142.3, 139.3, 133.5, 132.7, 131.9, 131.5, 130.1, 129.0, 128.5, 128.2, 127.5, 127.4, 126.5, 125.5, 123.4, 122.8, 112.7, 63.9, 54.8, 54.7. IR  $\nu$  3400, 3020, 1845, 1600, 1512, 1257, 1012, 832, 759, 511  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$ :  $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$  Calcd for  $\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{23}\text{NO}_4\text{Na}$  496.1525; Found 496.1529.

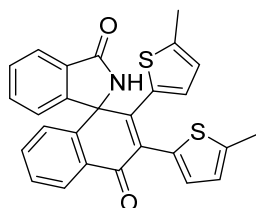


**3ag:** The crude product was purified by column chromatography (petrol ether/ethyl acetate, 3:1) to afford **3ag** as white solid (27.8 mg, 79 %); m.p. 245 – 246 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$ : 9.36 (s, 1H), 8.08 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.84 – 7.82 (m, 1H), 7.59 – 7.54 (m, 3H), 7.51 (t,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.44 (t,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H), 7.37 (t,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.22 – 7.18 (m, 3H), 7.08 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 1.41 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$ : 181.9, 170.2, 153.1, 148.7, 142.3, 138.8, 135.6, 133.3, 133.2, 131.4, 130.1, 129.6, 129.2, 128.4, 128.1, 127.4, 126.4, 126.2, 123.8, 122.2, 63.8, 16.3. IR  $\nu$  3435, 1700, 1651, 1597, 1340, 1024, 757, 698  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$ :  $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$  Calcd for  $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{17}\text{NO}_2\text{Na}$  374.1157; Found 374.1165.

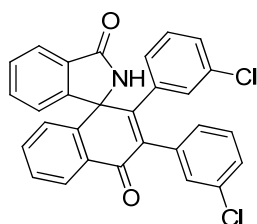


**3ah:** The crude product was purified by column chromatography (petrol ether/ethyl acetate, 3:1) to afford **3ah** as white solid (15.9 mg, 50 %); m.p. 232 – 233 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$ :

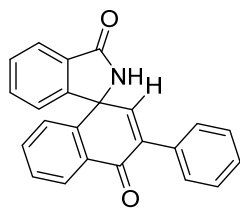
9.35 (s, 1H), 8.06 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.80 (d,  $J = 4.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.52 – 7.44 (m, 4H), 7.00 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 6.90 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 2.56 – 2.50 (m, 2H), 2.14 – 2.05 (m, 1H), 1.64 – 1.55 (m, 1H), 1.06 (t,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 3H), 0.92 (t,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ )  $\delta$ : 182.8, 170.2, 155.7, 148.6, 142.4, 138.5, 133.0, 132.9, 131.5, 129.9, 129.0, 128.2, 126.2, 125.9, 123.7, 122.2, 63.9, 21.8, 19.5, 14.3, 13.7. IR  $\nu$  3436, 3065, 1704, 1647, 1344, 1314, 766, 724, 713  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$ :  $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$  Calcd for  $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{19}\text{NO}_2\text{Na}$  340.1308; Found 340.1313.



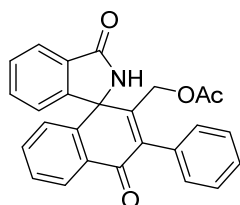
**3ai:** The crude product was purified by column chromatography (petrol ether/ethyl acetate, 3:1) to afford **3ai** as white solid (23.1 mg, 51 %); m.p. 202 – 203 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ : 8.28 – 8.24 (m, 1H), 7.82 – 7.79 (m, 1H), 7.50 – 7.45 (m, 4H), 7.18 – 7.11 (m, 2 H), 6.96 (s, 1H), 6.67 (d,  $J = 4.0$  Hz, 1H), 6.53 (d,  $J = 4.0$  Hz, 1H), 6.35 (d,  $J = 4.0$  Hz, 1H), 6.11 (d,  $J = 4.0$  Hz, 1H), 2.41 (s, 3H), 2.25 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ : 182.8, 171.3, 148.4, 147.5, 142.7, 142.6, 141.1, 134.8, 133.6, 133.6, 133.4, 132.7, 131.7, 130.6, 130.5, 129.6, 129.4, 128.9, 127.9, 126.3, 125.2, 124.7, 124.5, 122.5, 64.9, 15.3, 15.2. IR  $\nu$  3437, 3066, 1700, 1652, 1597, 1310, 795, 759, 742, 717  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$ :  $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$  Calcd for  $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{19}\text{NO}_2\text{S}_2\text{Na}$  476.0749; Found 476.0737.



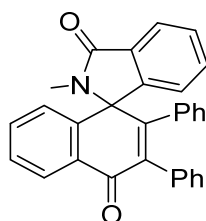
**3aj:** The crude product was purified by column chromatography (petrol ether/ethyl acetate, 3:1) to afford **3aj** as white solid (43.8 mg, 91 %); m.p. > 300 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ )  $\delta$ : 9.37 (s, 1H), 8.17 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.65 – 7.56 (m, 5H), 7.49 (s, 1H), 7.23 – 7.16 (m, 4H), 7.12 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.07 (1H), 7.06 (d,  $J = 4.0$  Hz, 1H), 6.99 (t,  $J = 4.0$  Hz, 1H), 5.97 (d,  $J = 16.0$  Hz, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ )  $\delta$ : 182.4, 169.4, 154.1, 147.3, 142.1, 138.7, 137.0, 136.6, 134.0, 133.0, 132.1, 130.1, 129.8, 129.4, 129.3, 128.9, 128.8, 127.5, 127.2, 126.9, 126.6, 123.5, 63.4. IR  $\nu$  3446, 3065, 1706, 1657, 1338, 762, 714, 691  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$ :  $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$  Calcd for  $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{17}\text{Cl}_2\text{NO}_2\text{Na}$  504.0534; Found 504.0550.



**3ak:** The crude product was purified by column chromatography (petrol ether/ethyl acetate, 3:1) to afford **3ak** as white solid (28.3 mg, 84 %); m.p. 188 – 189 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ )  $\delta$ : 9.16 (s, 1H), 8.13 (s, 1H), 7.76 (d,  $J = 12.0$  Hz, 2H), 7.52 – 7.34 (m, 10H), 7.24 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ )  $\delta$ : 195.2, 170.8, 145.2, 143.4, 139.7, 135.0, 134.3, 132.5, 130.9, 130.5, 130.2, 130.1, 129.3, 129.0, 128.4, 128.3, 128.1, 125.4, 124.4, 121.3, 72.3. IR  $\nu$  3446, 3211, 3076, 1696, 1463, 765, 695,  $639\text{cm}^{-1}$ . HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$ :  $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$  Calcd for  $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{15}\text{NO}_2\text{Na}$  360.1000; Found 360.1017.

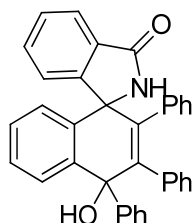


**3al:** The crude product was purified by column chromatography (petrol ether/ethyl acetate, 3:1) to afford **3al** as white solid (35.6 mg, 87 %); m.p. 237 – 238 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ )  $\delta$ : 9.42 (s, 1H), 8.08 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.81 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.60 (t,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.56 – 7.51 (m, 3H), 7.46 – 7.40 (m, 3H), 7.25 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 3H), 7.10 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 4.46 (d,  $J = 12.0$  Hz, 1H), 4.17 (d,  $J = 12.0$  Hz, 1H), 1.47 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ )  $\delta$ : 182.7, 170.2, 169.1, 148.3, 147.9, 142.6, 142.0, 134.1, 134.0, 133.0, 131.3, 129.7, 129.5, 129.1, 128.6, 128.0 (2C), 126.7, 125.9, 123.8, 122.8, 62.9, 60.3, 19.7. IR  $\nu$  3415, 1741, 1705, 1656, 1463, 1221, 1025, 1000, 767,  $704\text{cm}^{-1}$ . HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$ :  $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$  Calcd for  $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{19}\text{NO}_4\text{Na}$  432.1212; Found 432.1205.

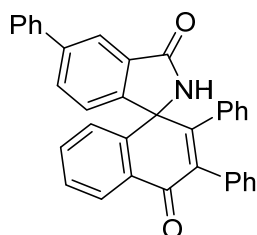


**4:** The crude product was purified by column chromatography (petrol ether/ethyl acetate, 3:1) to afford **4** as white solid (74.3 mg, 87 %); m.p. 220 – 221 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ )  $\delta$ : 8.23 – 8.20 (m, 1H), 7.66 – 7.60 (m, 4H), 7.54 – 7.51 (m, 2H), 7.14 – 7.06 (m, 6H), 6.97 – 6.94 (m, 2H),

6.84 – 6.81 (m, 2H), 5.85 (s, 1H), 2.78 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ )  $\delta$ : 182.7, 167.8, 153.4, 146.0, 142.1, 139.6, 135.2, 135.0, 134.1, 132.9, 131.8, 131.0, 130.5, 129.4, 129.0, 127.6, 127.1, 127.0, 126.9, 126.1, 123.3, 123.1, 68.3, 26.1. IR  $\nu$  3382, 3027, 1699, 1652, 1597, 1344, 1312, 737, 701, 585  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$ :  $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$  Calcd for  $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{21}\text{NO}_2\text{Na}$  450.1465; Found 450.1460.



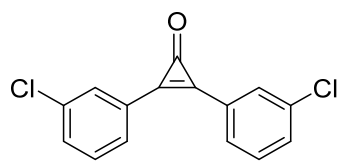
**5:** The crude product was purified by column chromatography (petrol ether/ethyl acetate, 3:1) to afford **5** as white solid (41.8 mg, 85 %); m.p. 172 – 173 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ )  $\delta$ : 8.71 (s, 1H), 7.67 – 7.58 (m, 2H), 7.47 – 7.41 (m, 2H), 7.33 (d,  $J = 4.0$  Hz, 2H), 7.27 – 7.21 (m, 3H), 7.16 (t,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 3H), 7.02 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 6.89 (t,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 6.78 (t,  $J = 4.0$  Hz, 3H), 6.75 – 6.66 (m, 4H), 6.55 (t,  $J = 4.0$  Hz, 1H), 6.10 (d,  $J = 4.0$  Hz, 1H), 6.05 (s, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ )  $\delta$ : 168.7, 151.1, 145.9, 143.5, 142.2, 138.1, 136.7, 135.4, 134.3, 132.6, 132.3, 131.8, 131.4, 131.0, 129.9, 129.7, 128.8, 128.5, 127.7, 127.5, 127.4, 127.0, 126.5, 126.4, 126.0, 125.8, 125.6, 123.6, 122.8, 73.0, 63.3. IR  $\nu$  3255, 3021, 1693, 1489, 1444, 1311, 1024, 1000, 748, 696  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$ :  $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$  Calcd for  $\text{C}_{35}\text{H}_{25}\text{NO}_2\text{Na}$  514.1783; Found 514.1792.



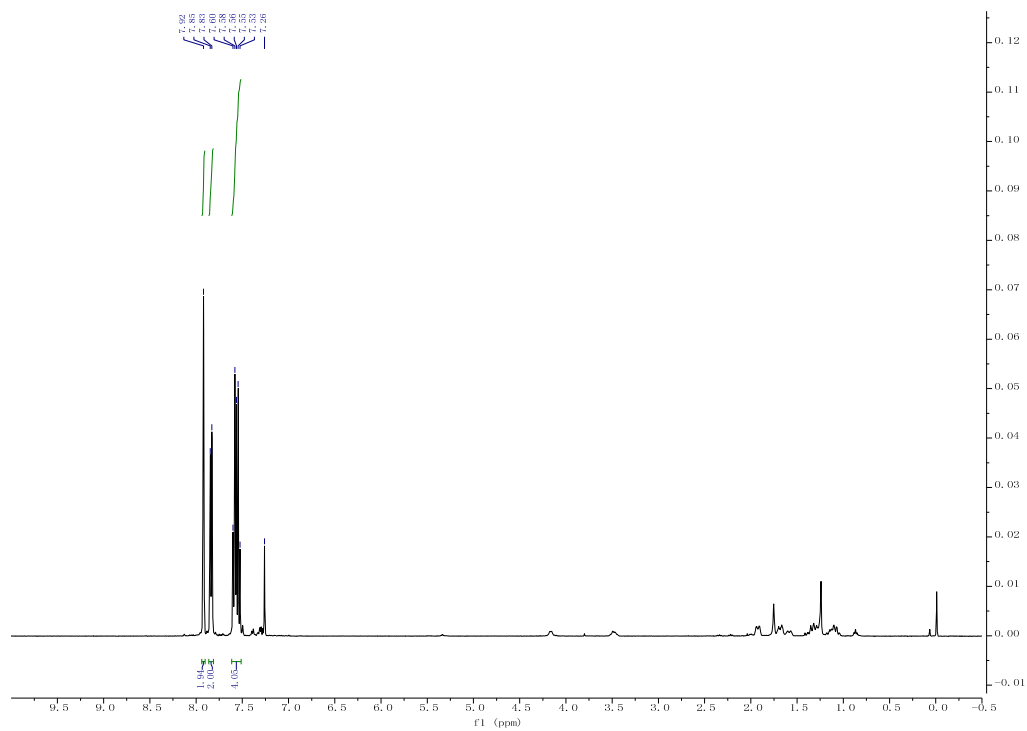
**6:** The crude product was purified by column chromatography (petrol ether/ethyl acetate, 3:1) to afford **6** as white solid (37.7 mg, 77 %); m.p. 245 – 246 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ )  $\delta$ : 9.41 (s, 1H), 8.18 (d,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.91 (dd,  $J = 8.0, 1.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.77 (s, 1H), 7.70 (d,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 2H), 7.66 – 7.55 (m, 3H), 7.49 – 7.45 (t,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 2H), 7.41 – 7.37 (m, 1H), 7.26 – 7.02 (m, 8H), 6.97 – 6.93 (m, 1H), 6.74 (s, 1H), 6.03 (s, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ )  $\delta$ : 182.9, 169.2, 155.3, 146.7, 142.2, 141.1, 139.6, 138.7, 135.2, 135.0, 133.7, 132.8, 131.4, 130.2, 130.0, 129.1, 128.6, 128.1, 127.2, 126.9, 126.8, 126.7, 126.5, 123.6, 121.0, 63.5. IR  $\nu$  3448, 3060, 1843, 1698, 1444, 1342, 765, 742, 699, 585  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$ :  $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$  Calcd for  $\text{C}_{35}\text{H}_{23}\text{NO}_2\text{Na}$  512.1621;

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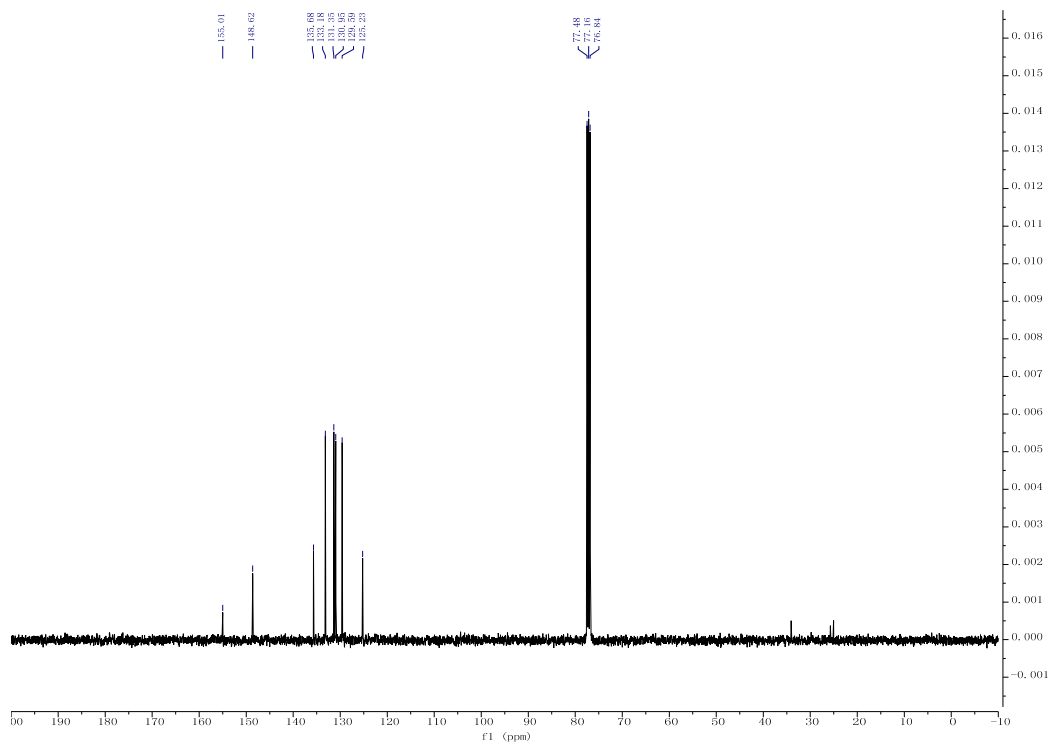
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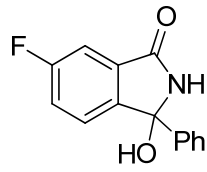
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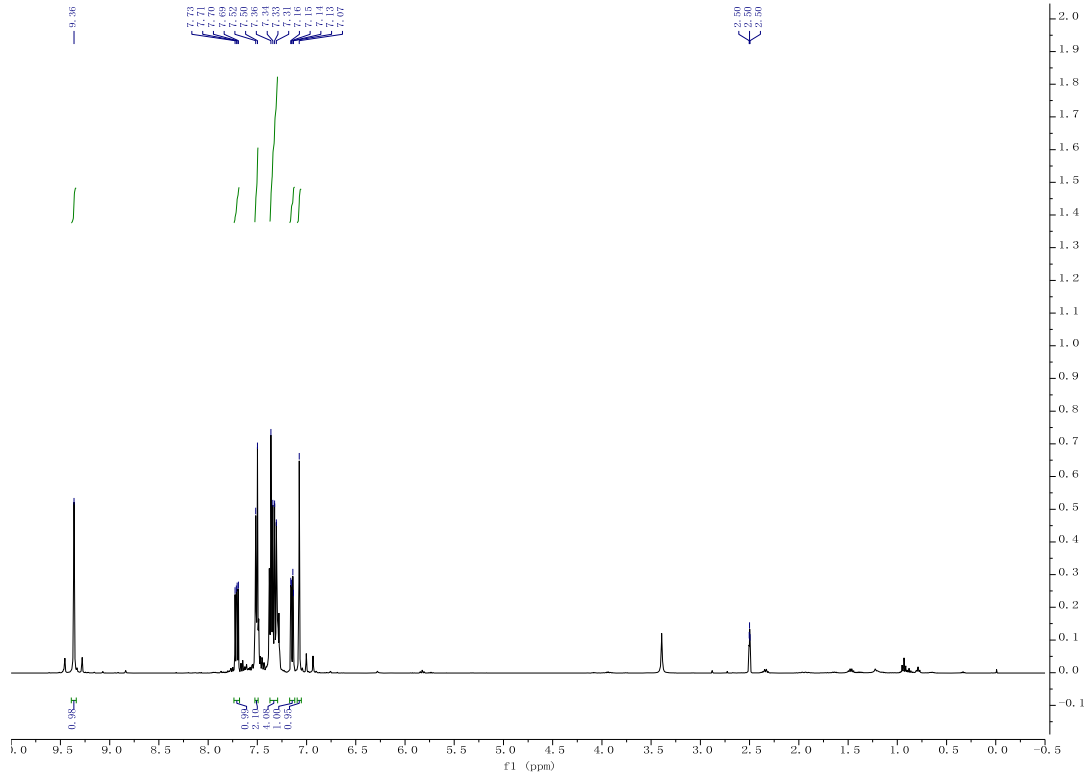
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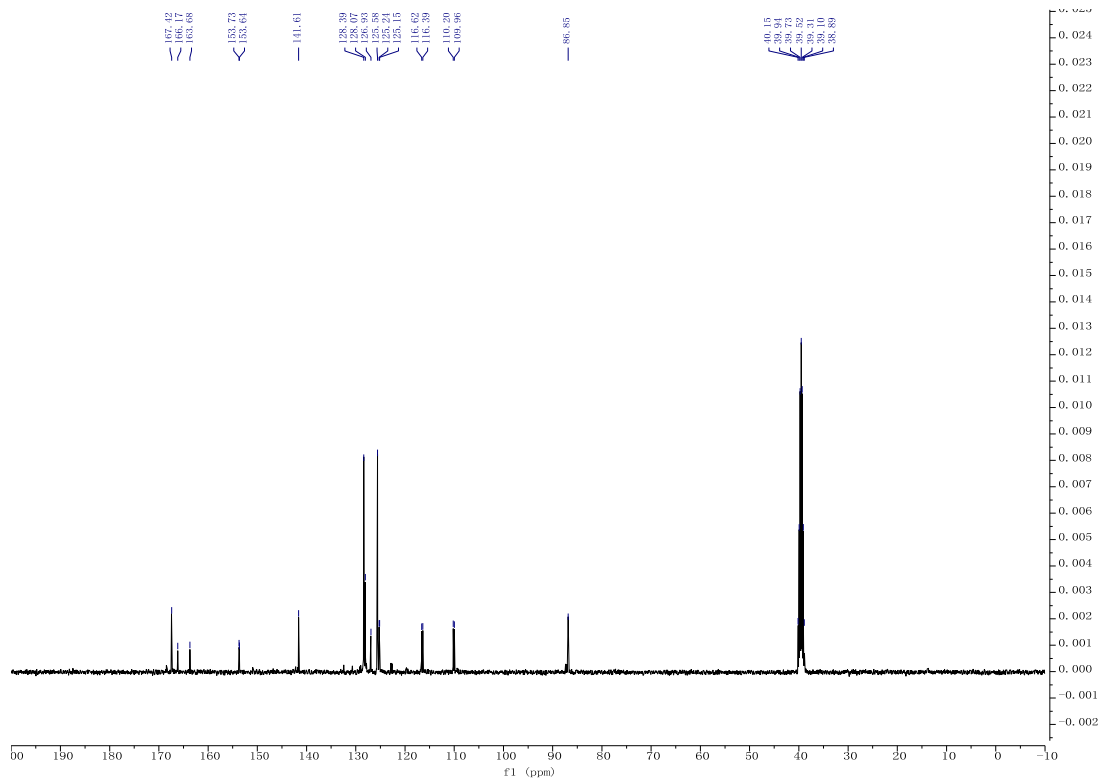




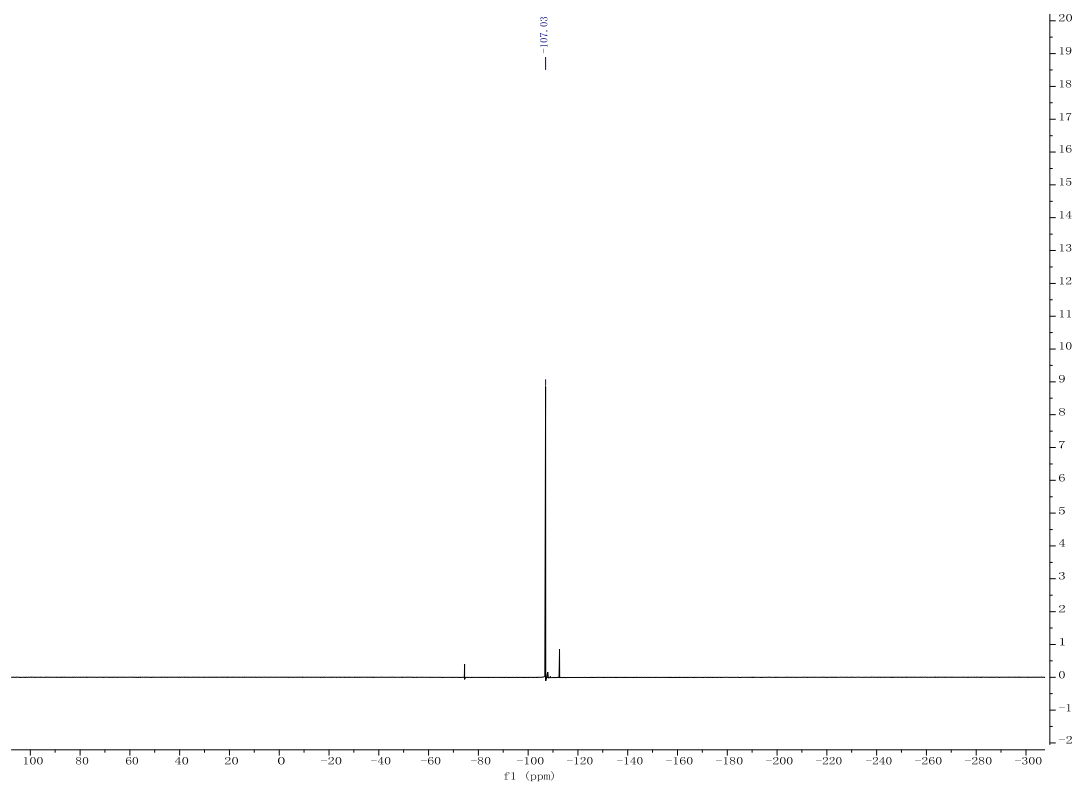
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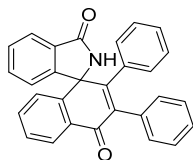


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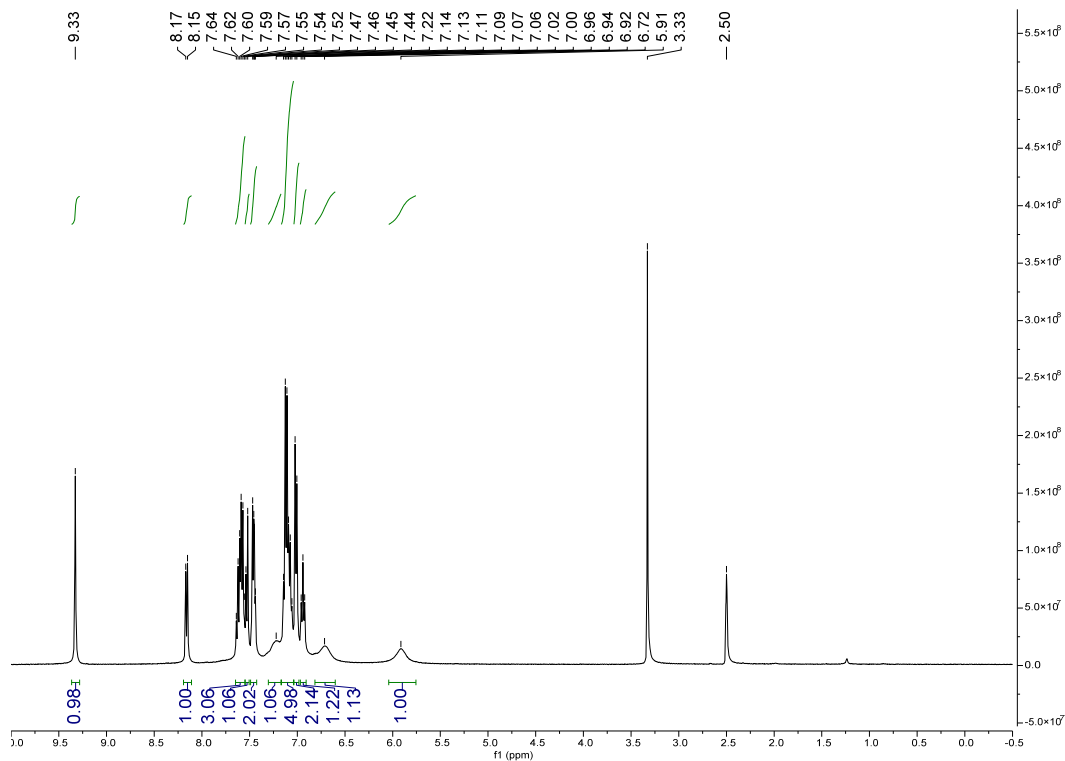


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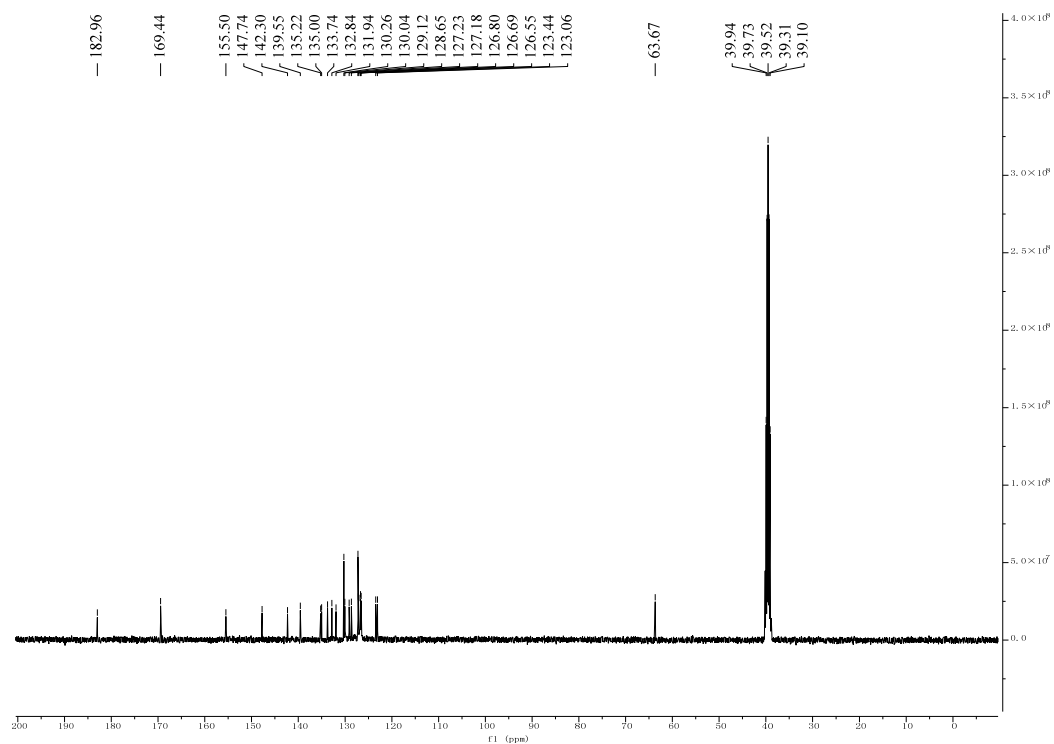


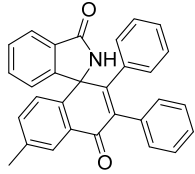


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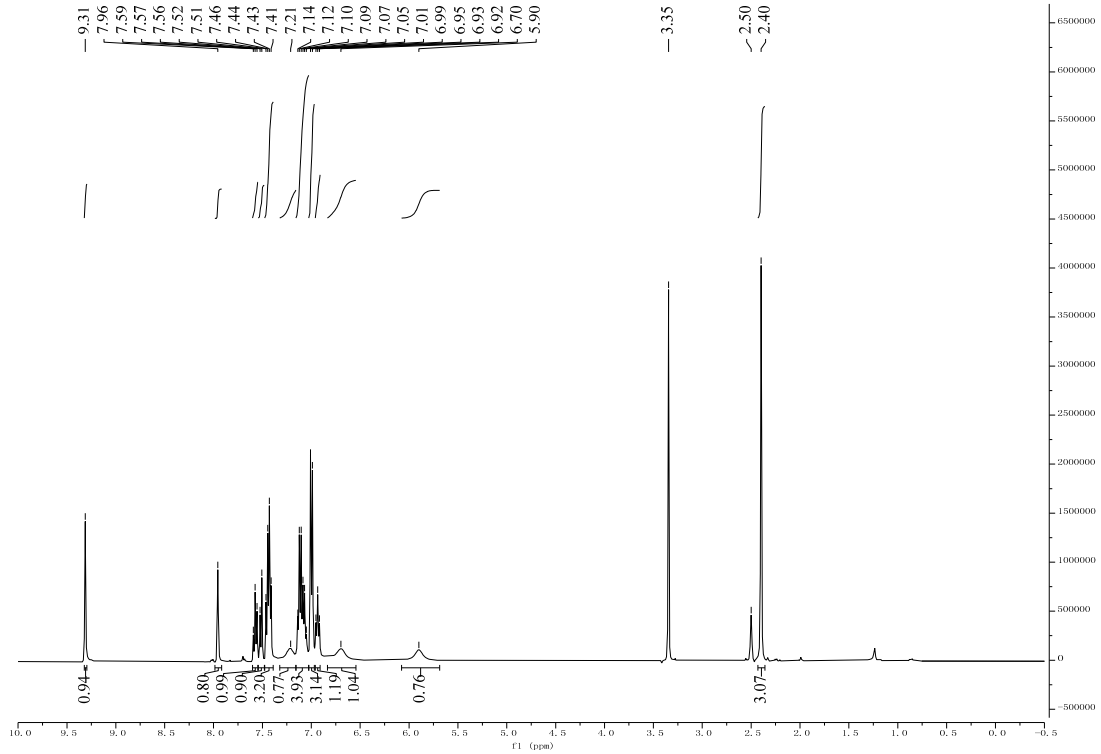


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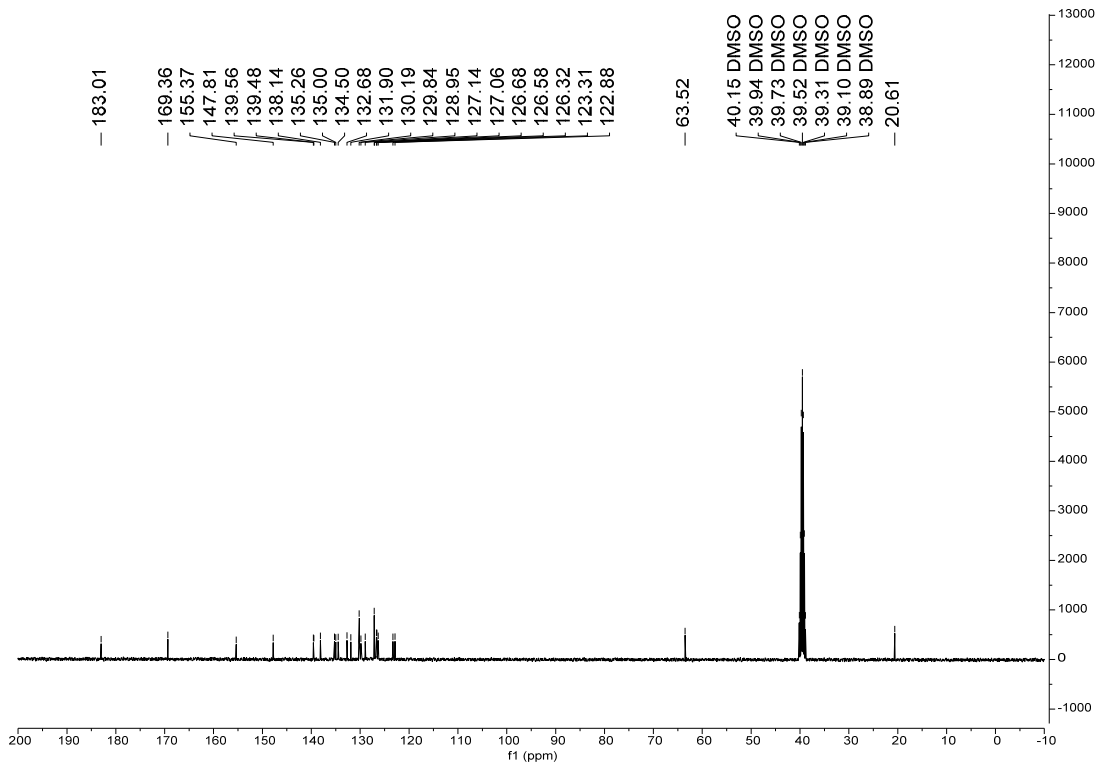


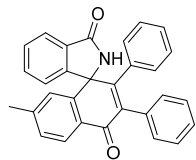


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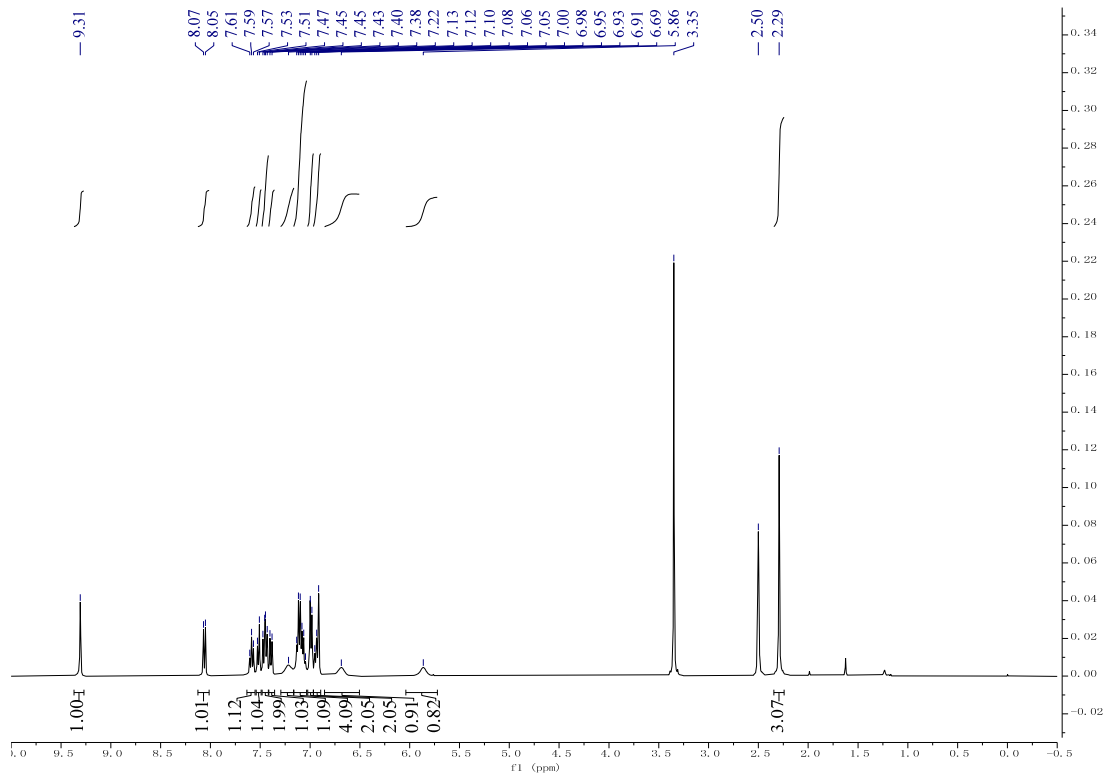


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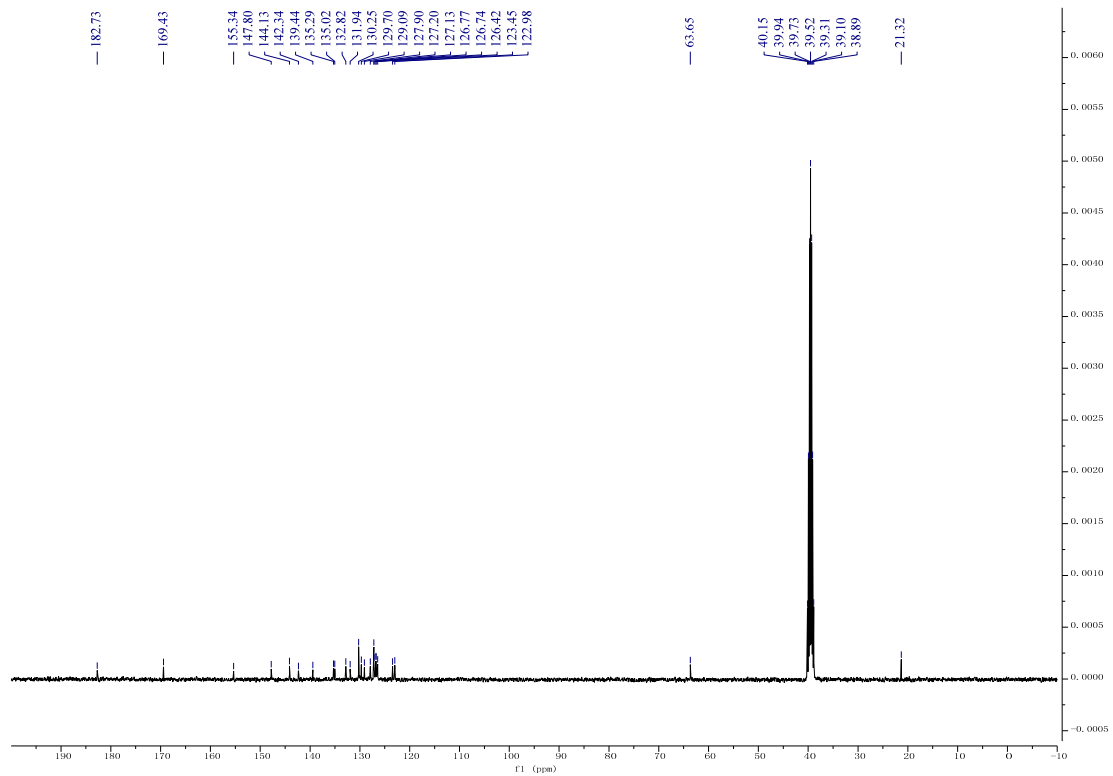


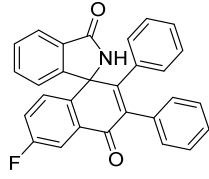


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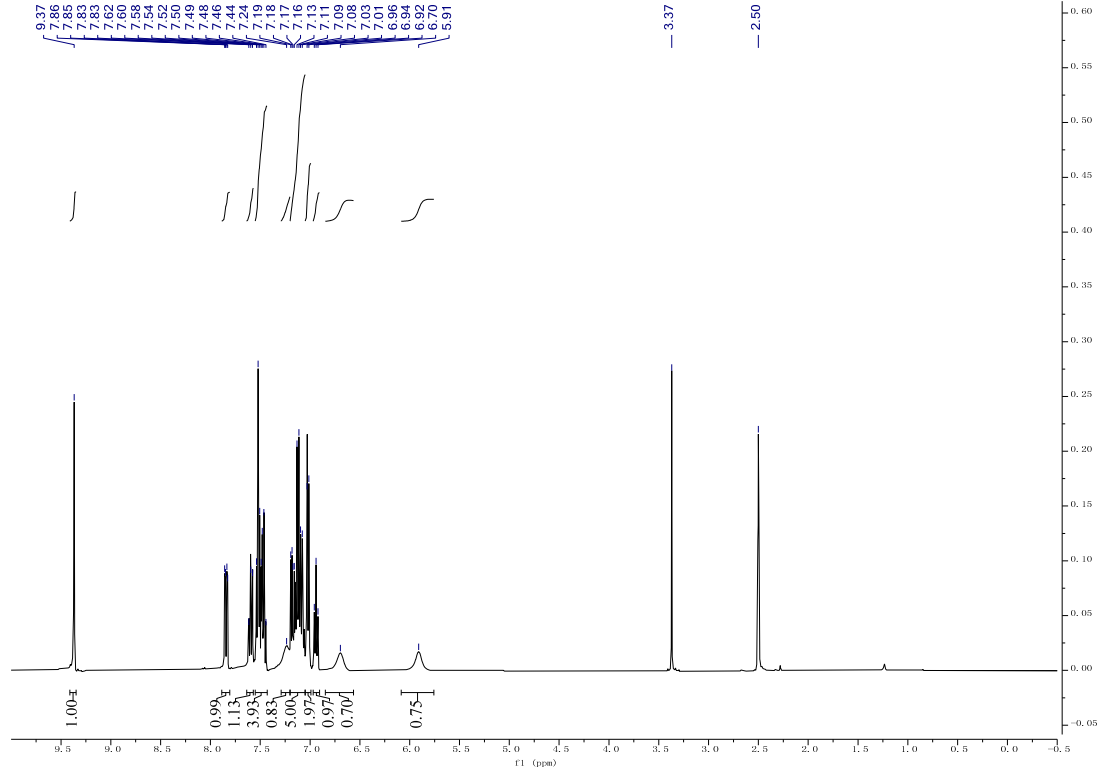


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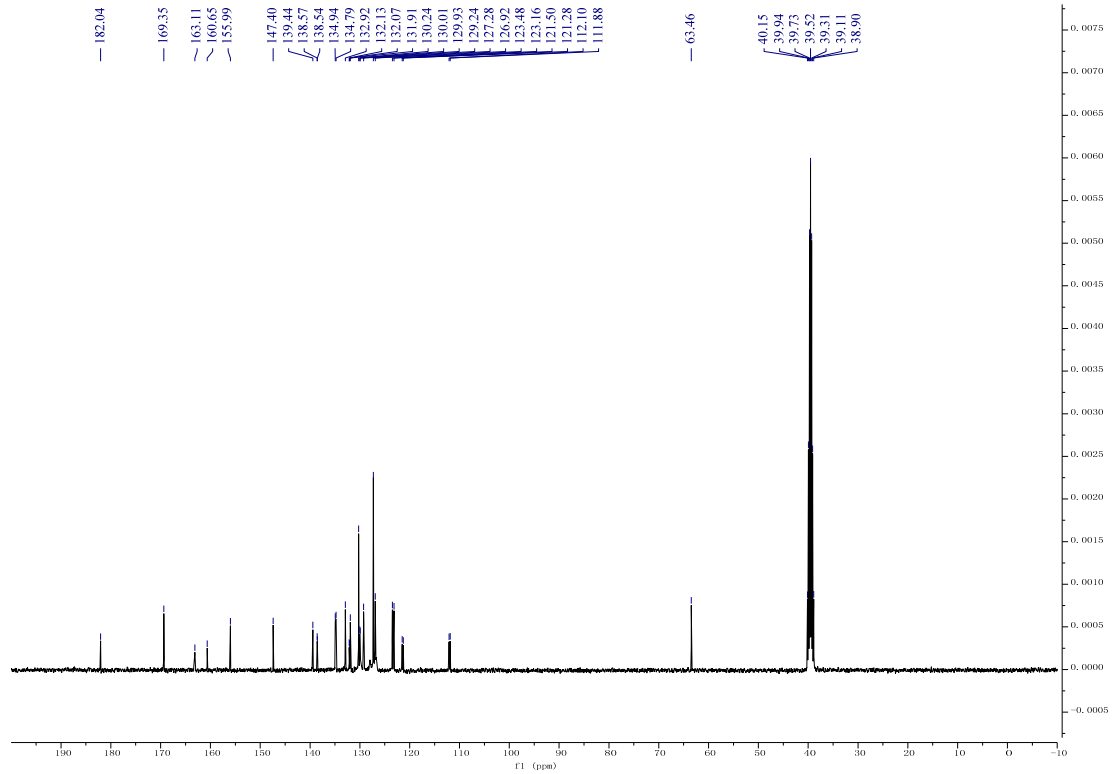




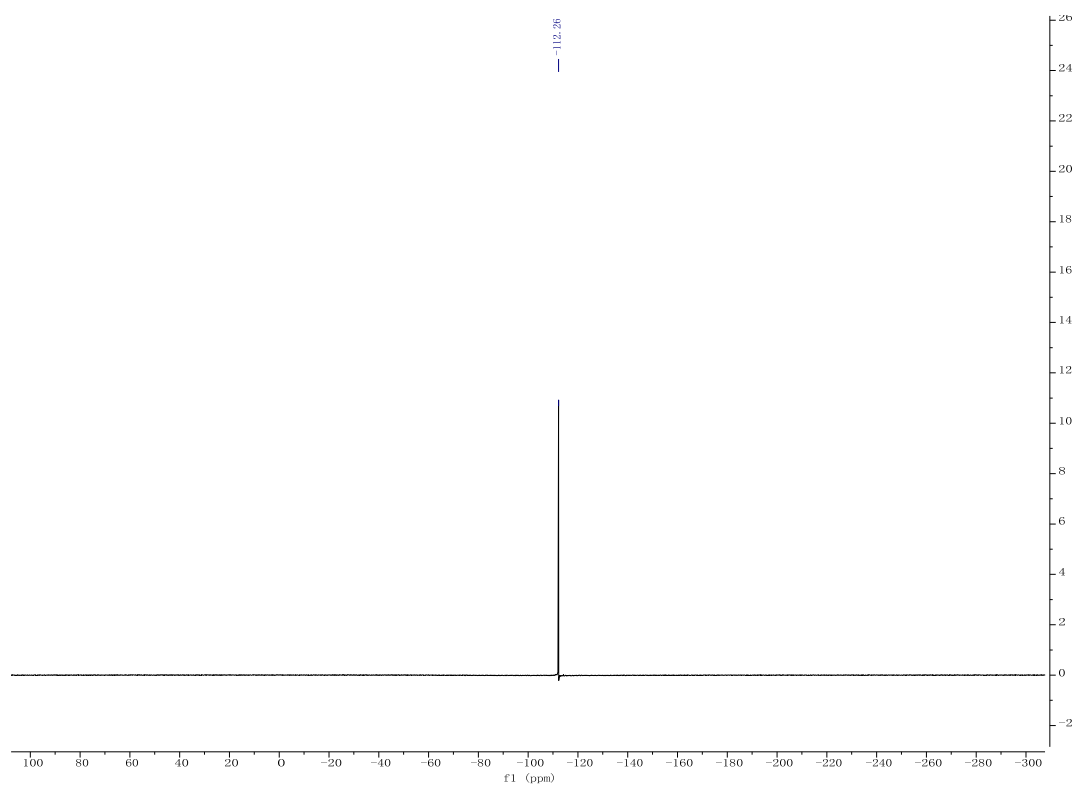
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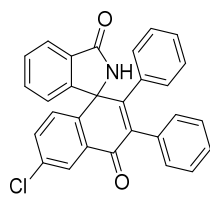


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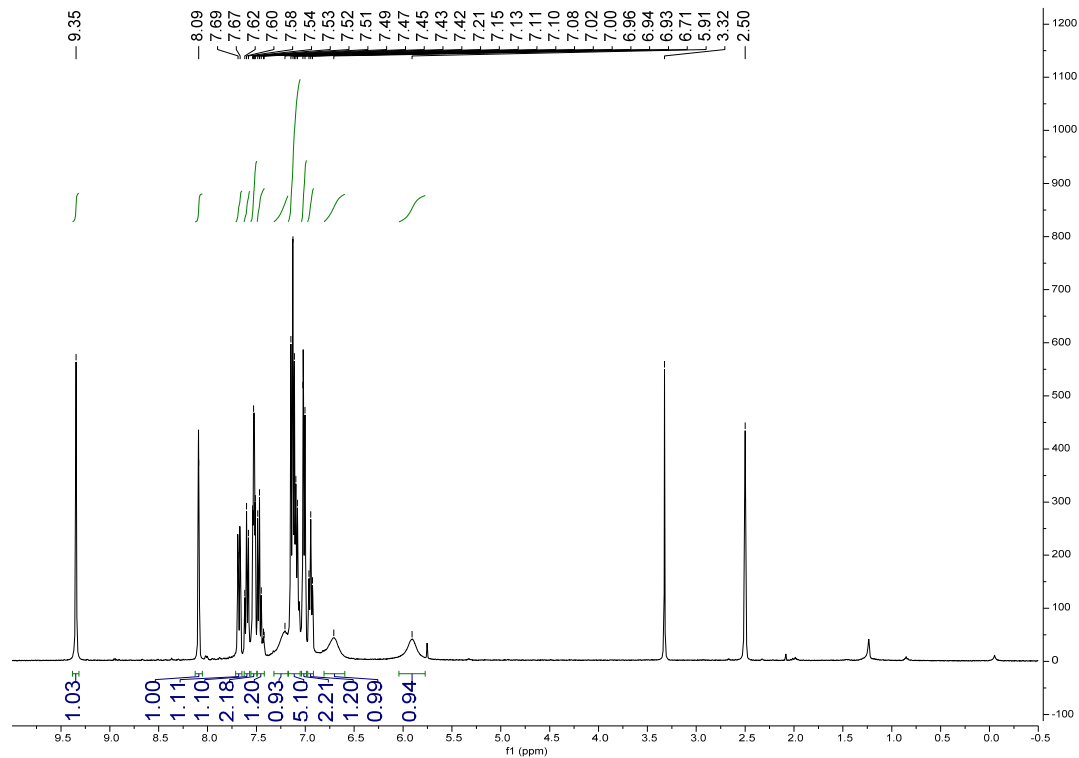


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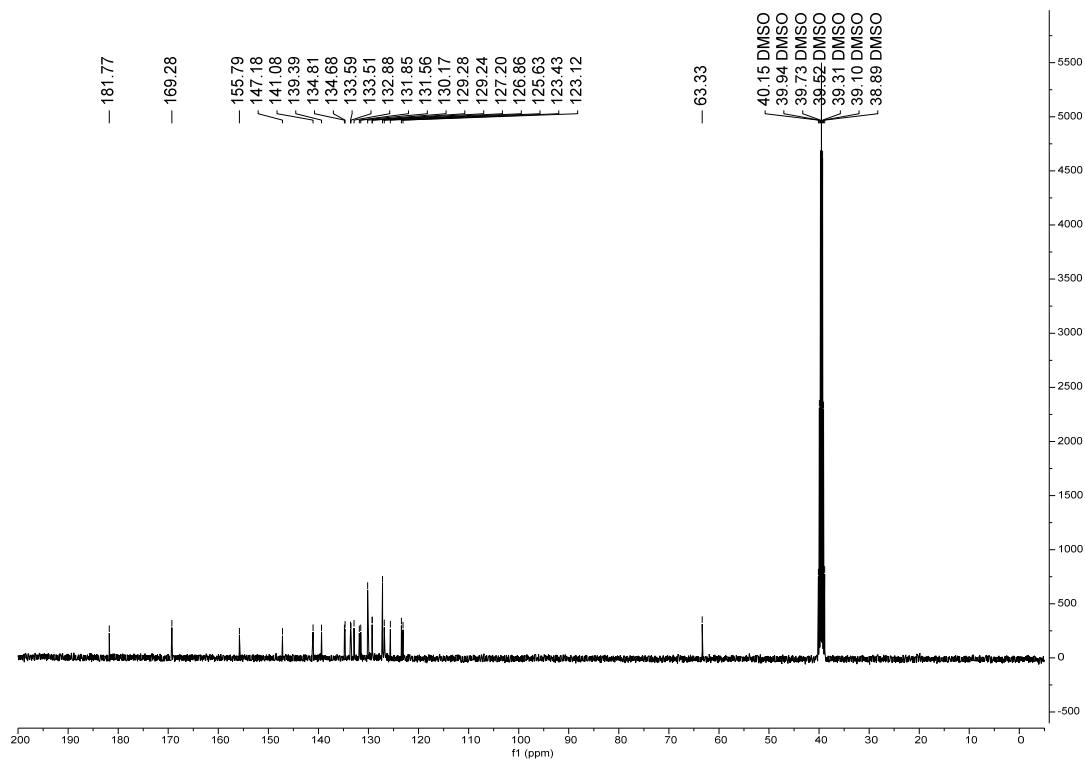




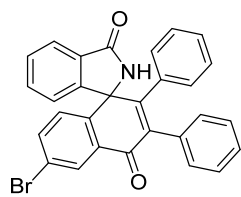
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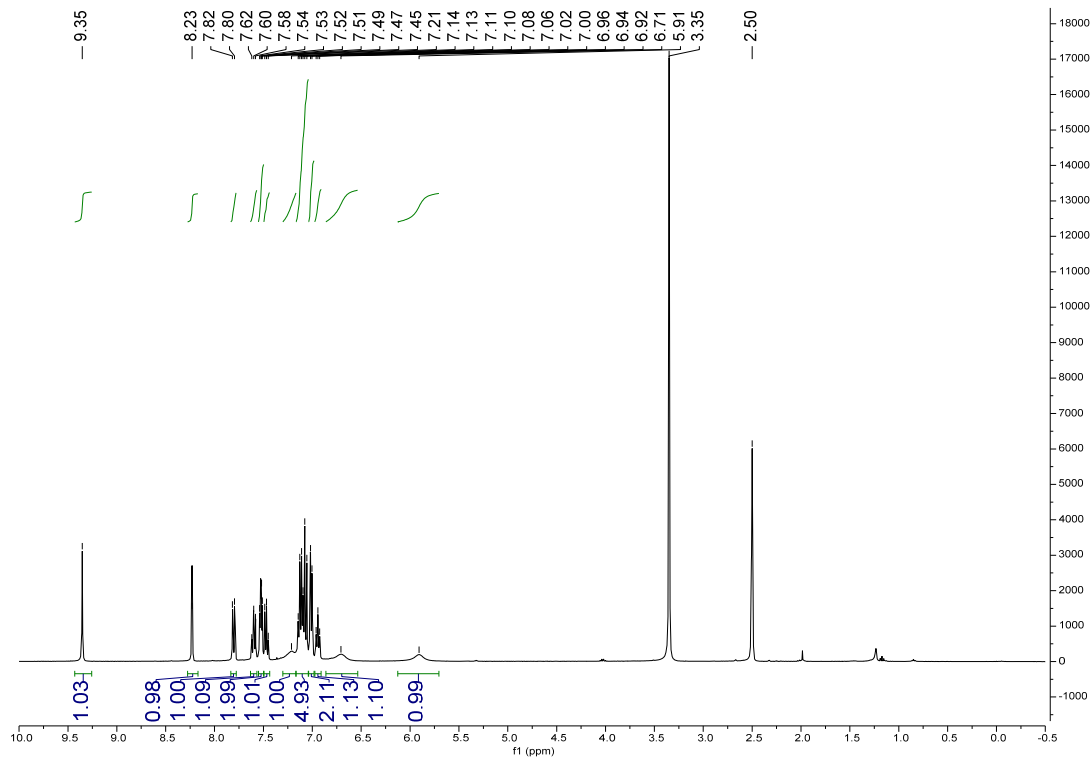
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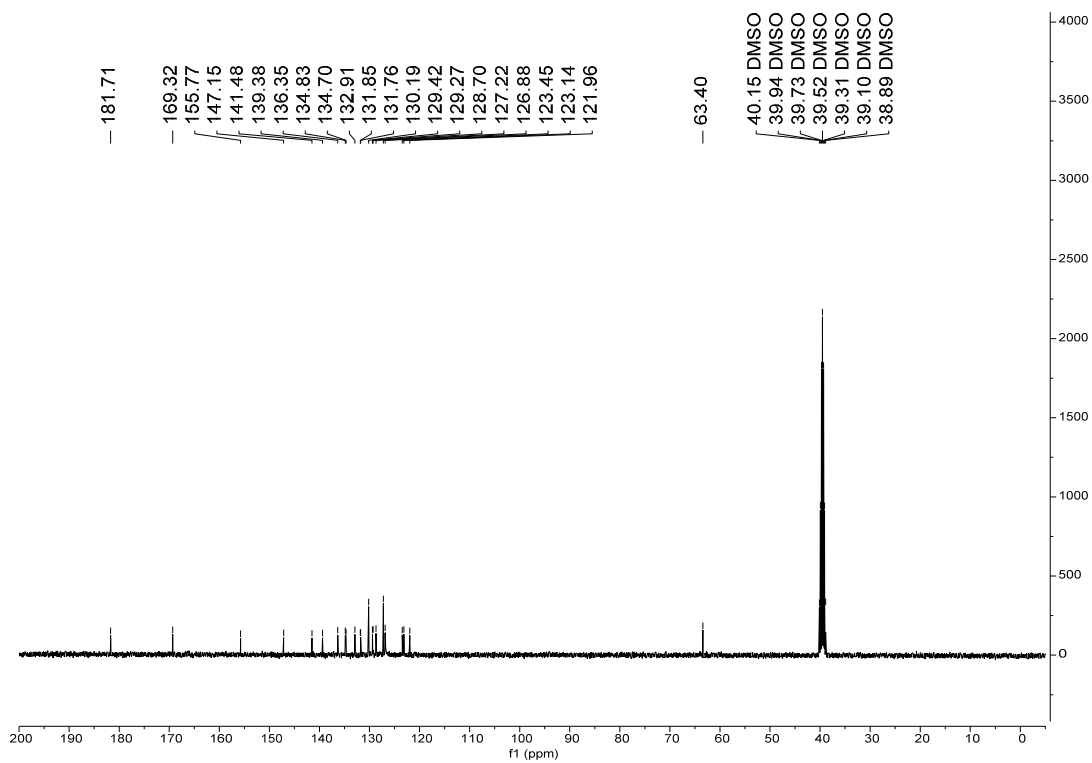


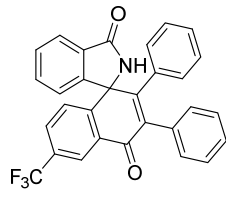


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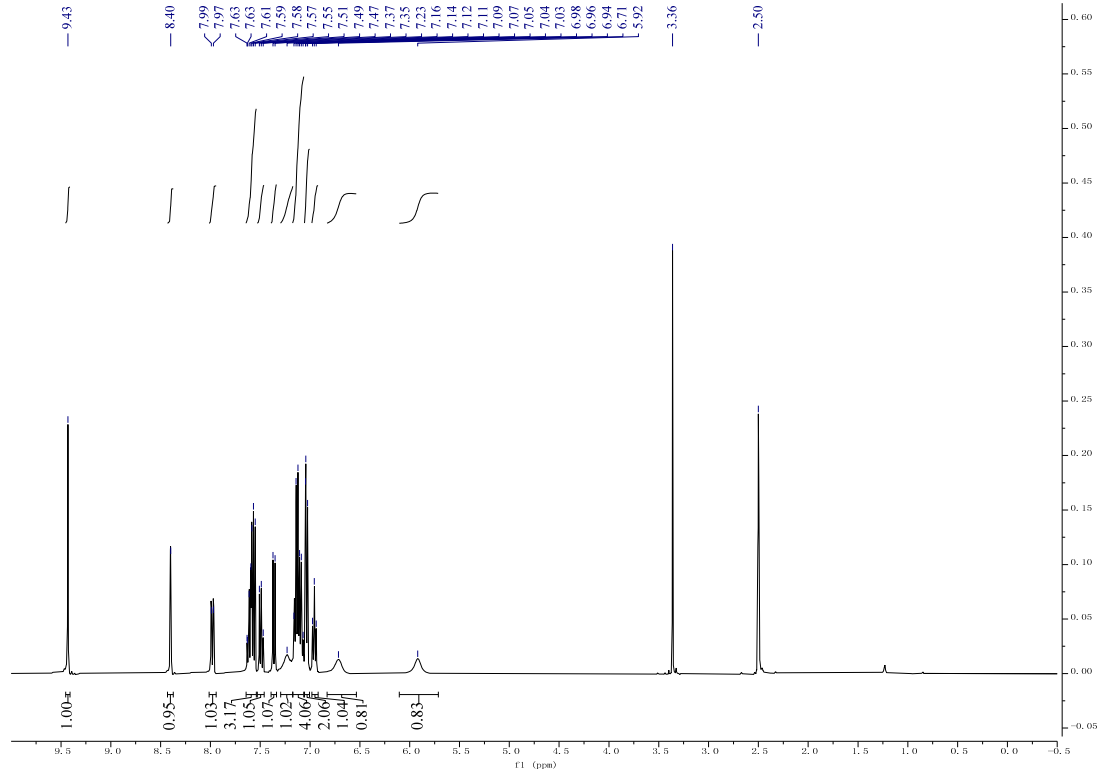


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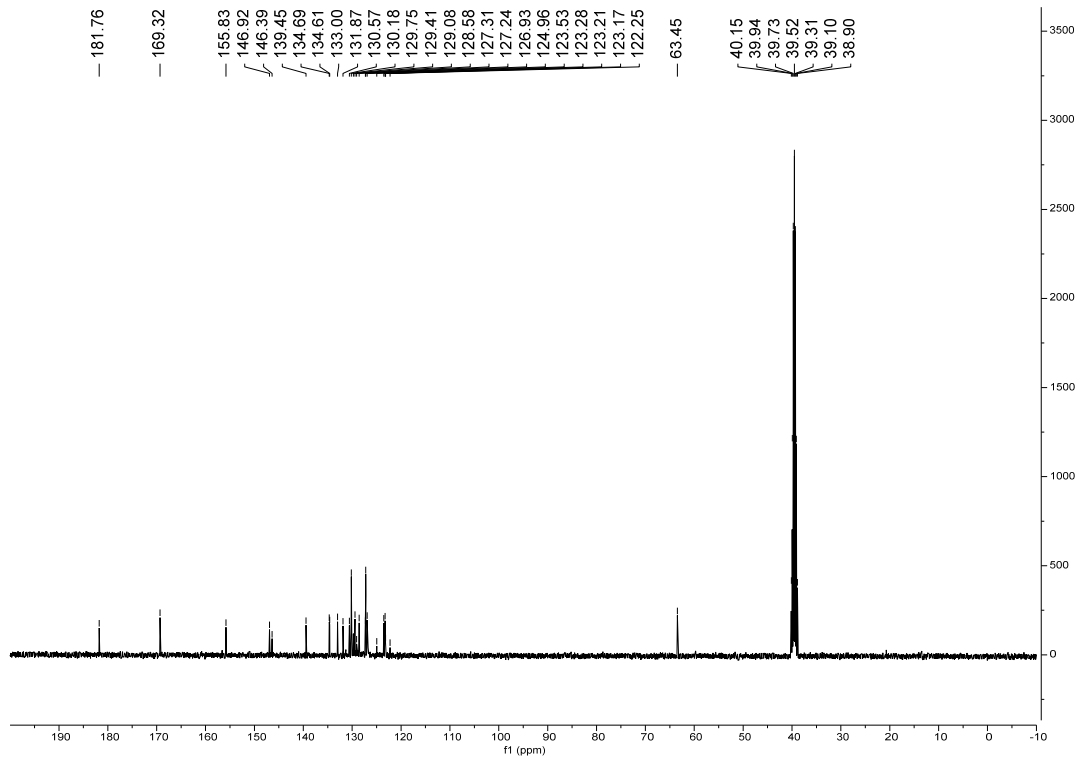




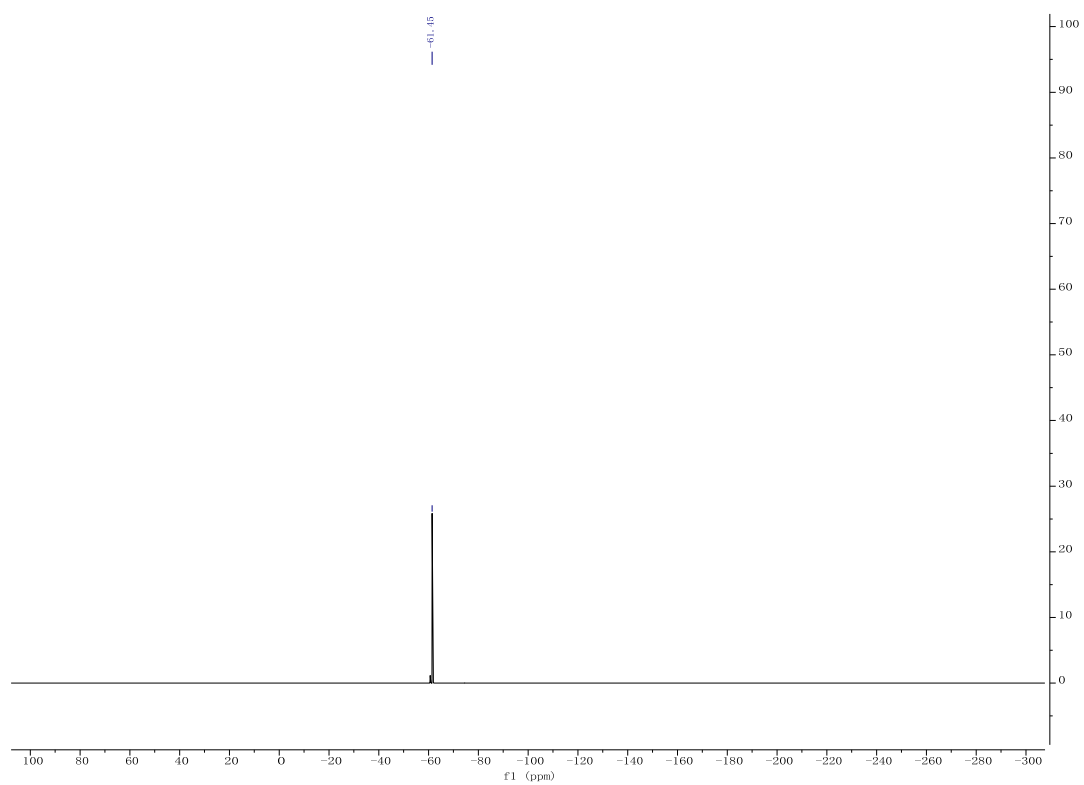
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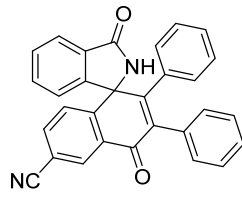


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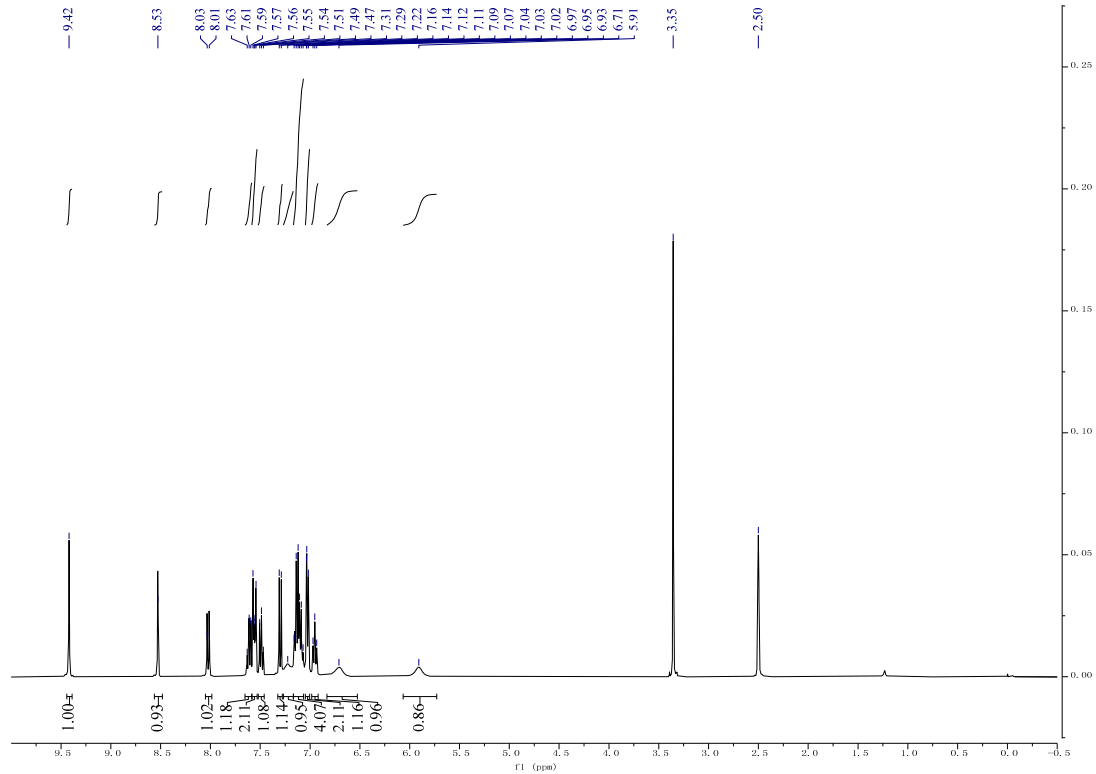


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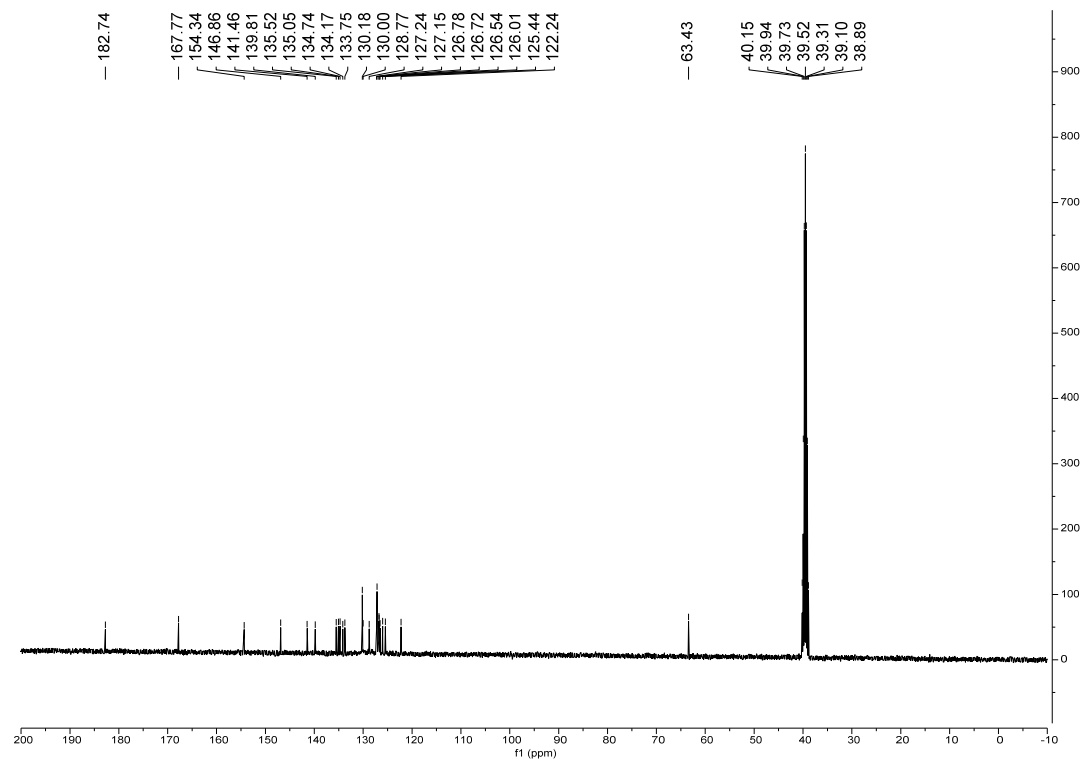


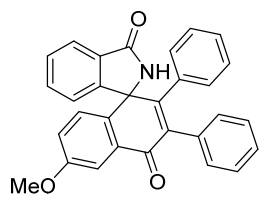


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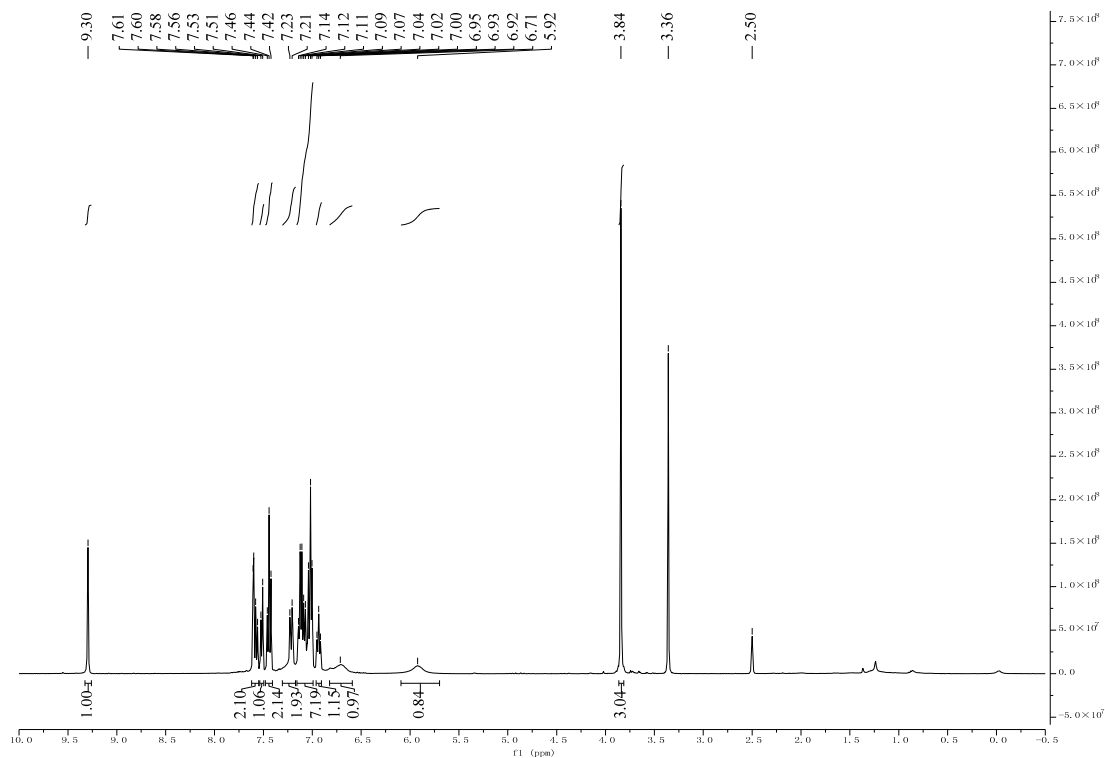


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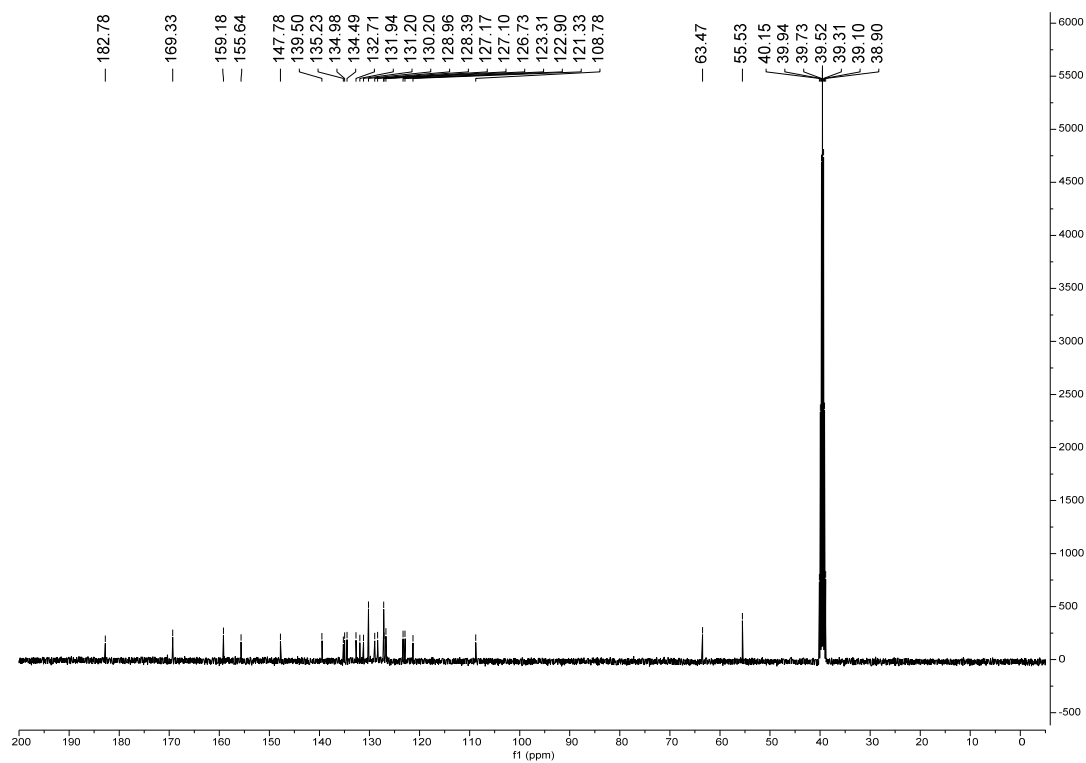


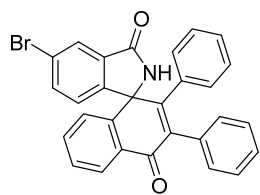


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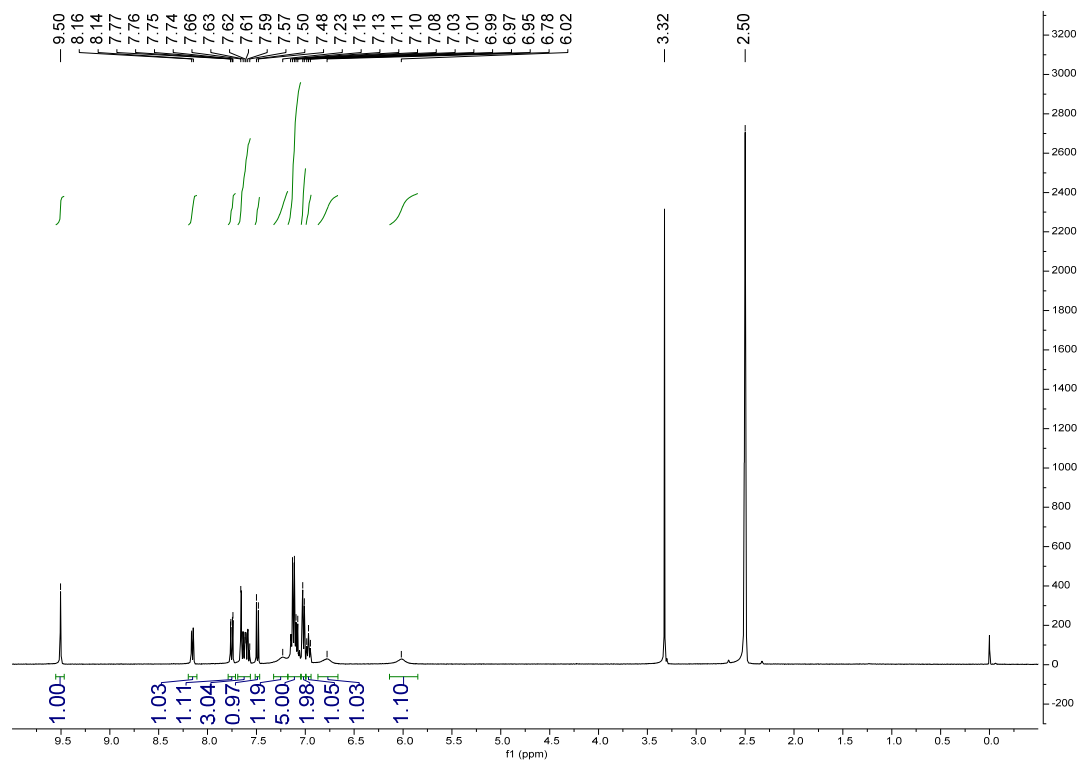


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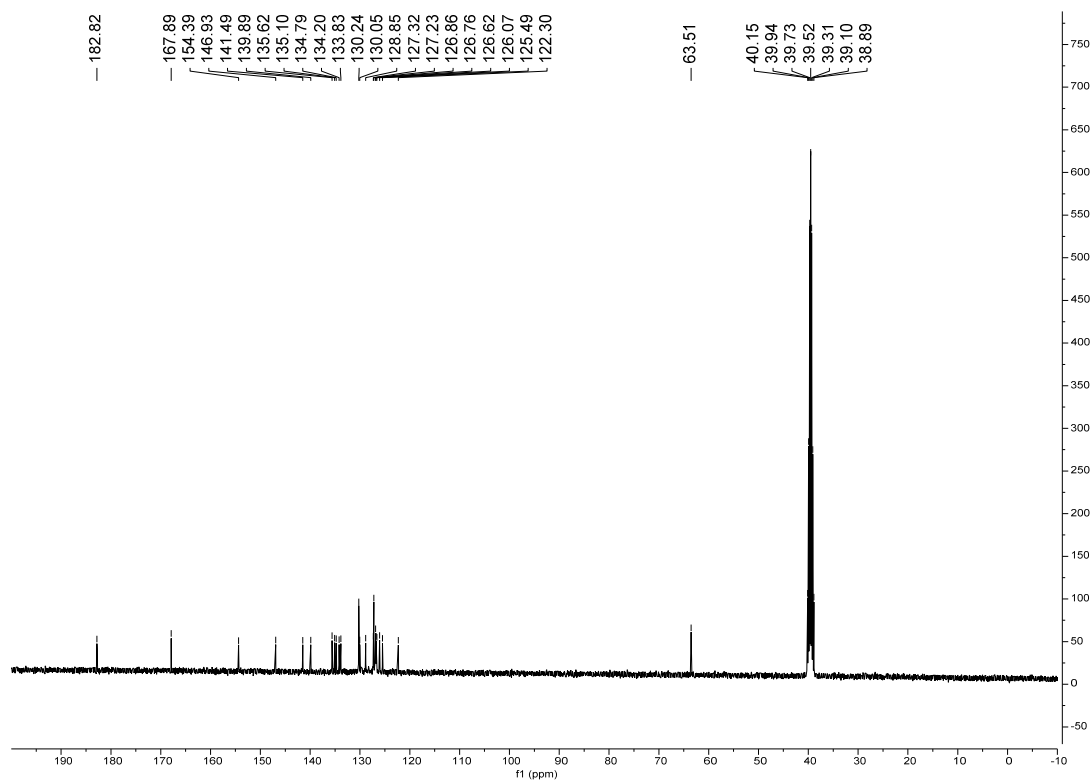


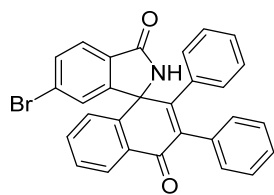


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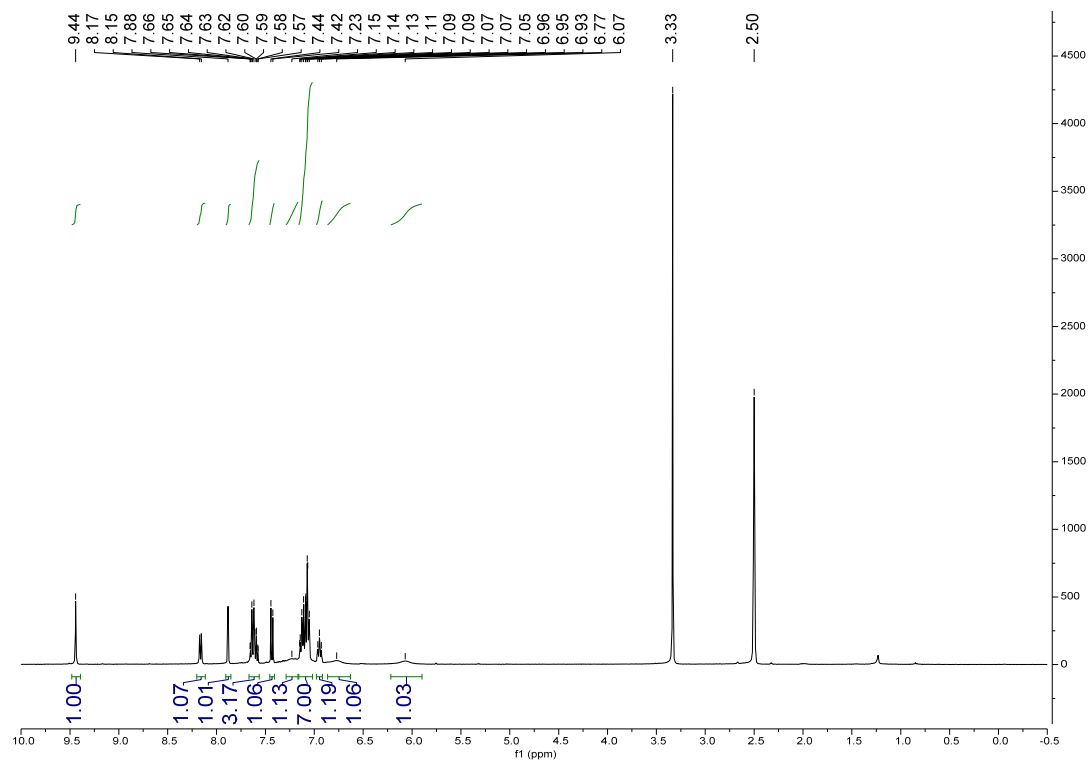


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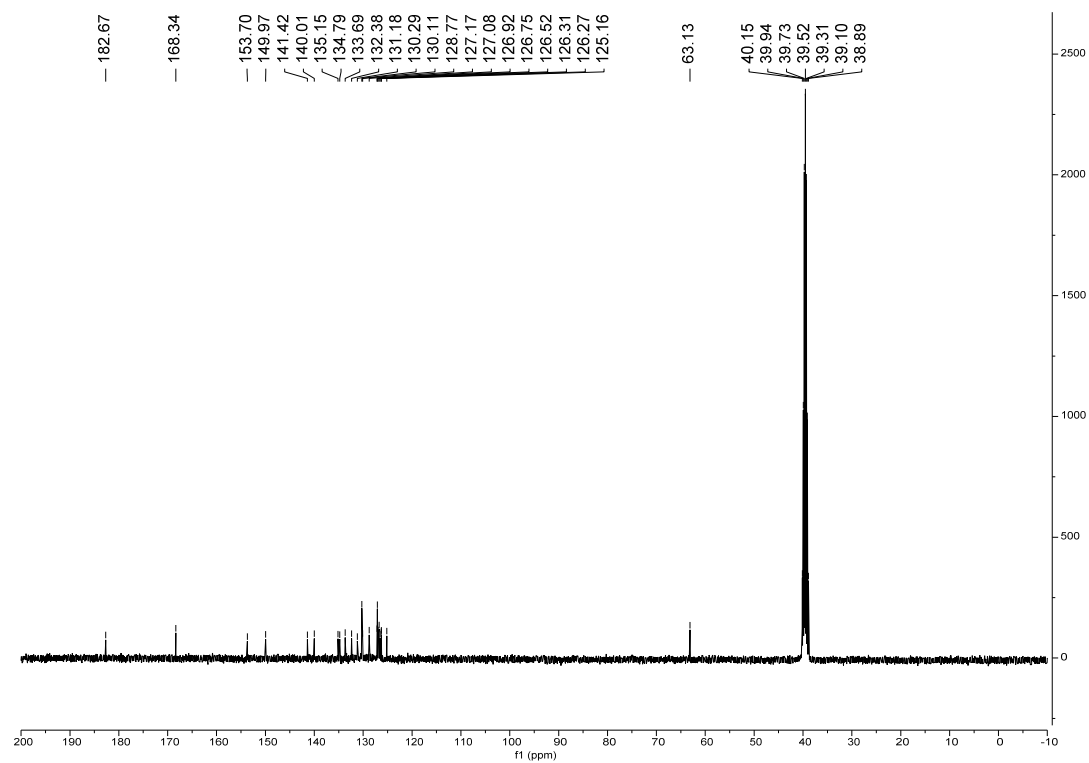


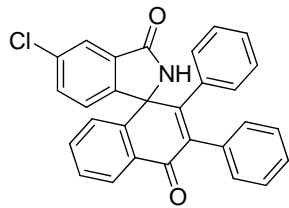


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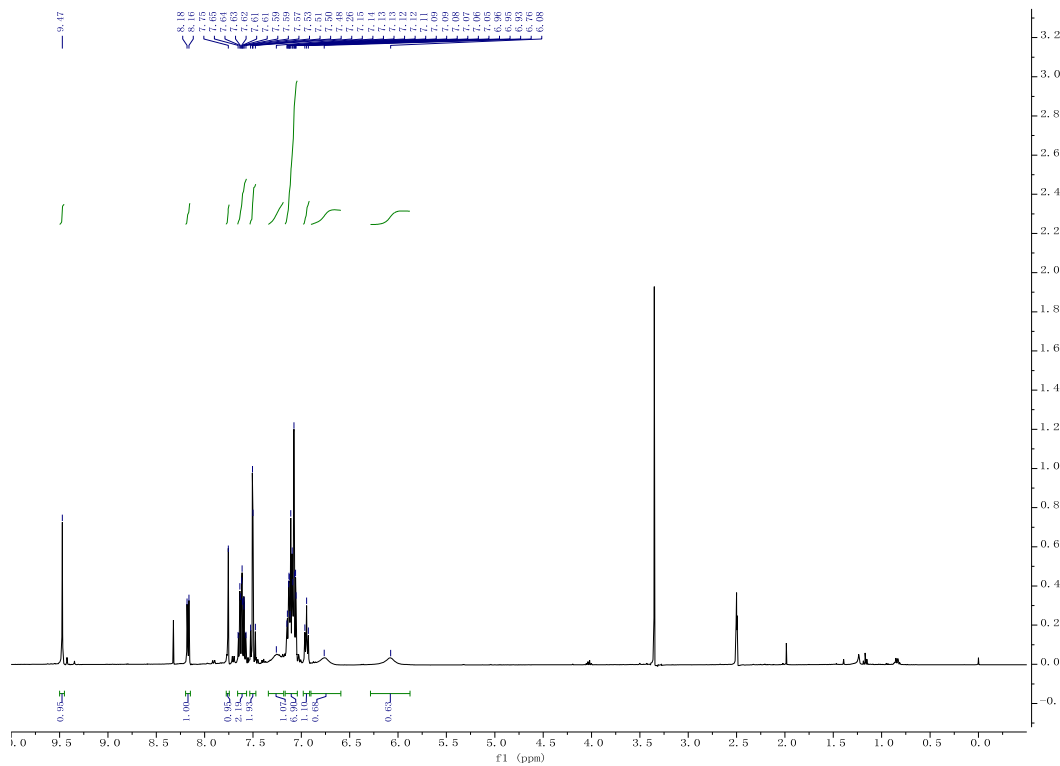


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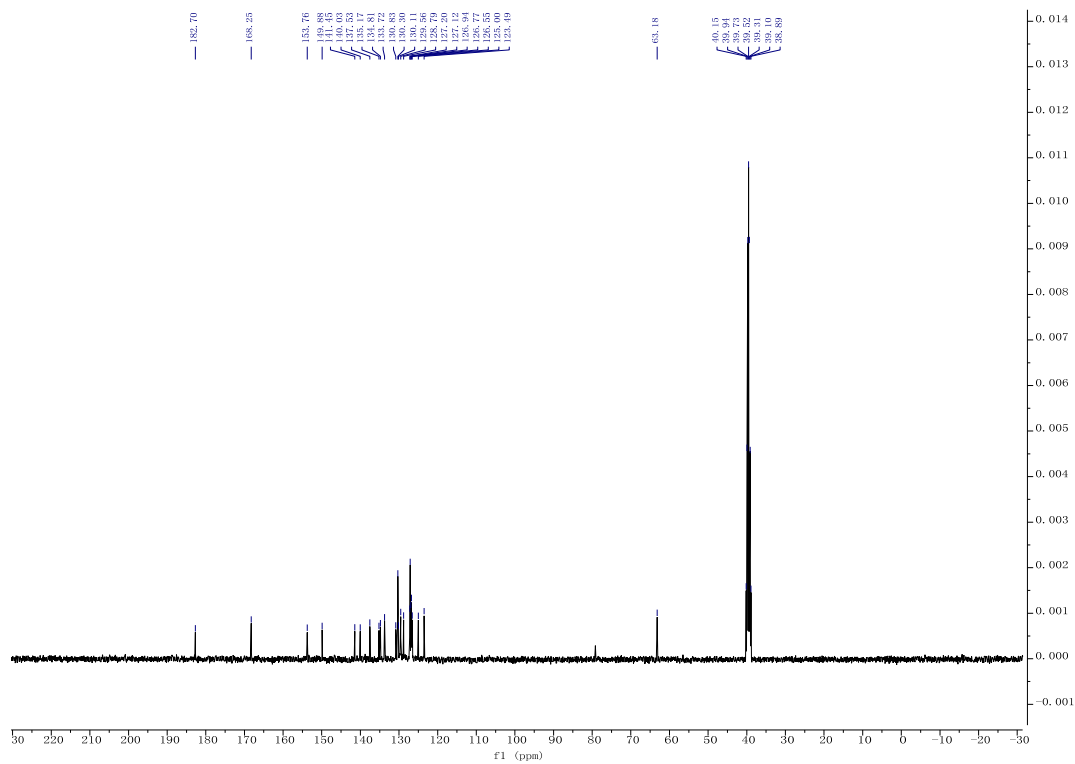




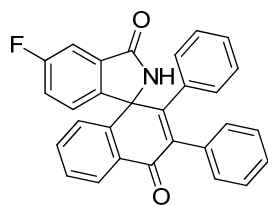
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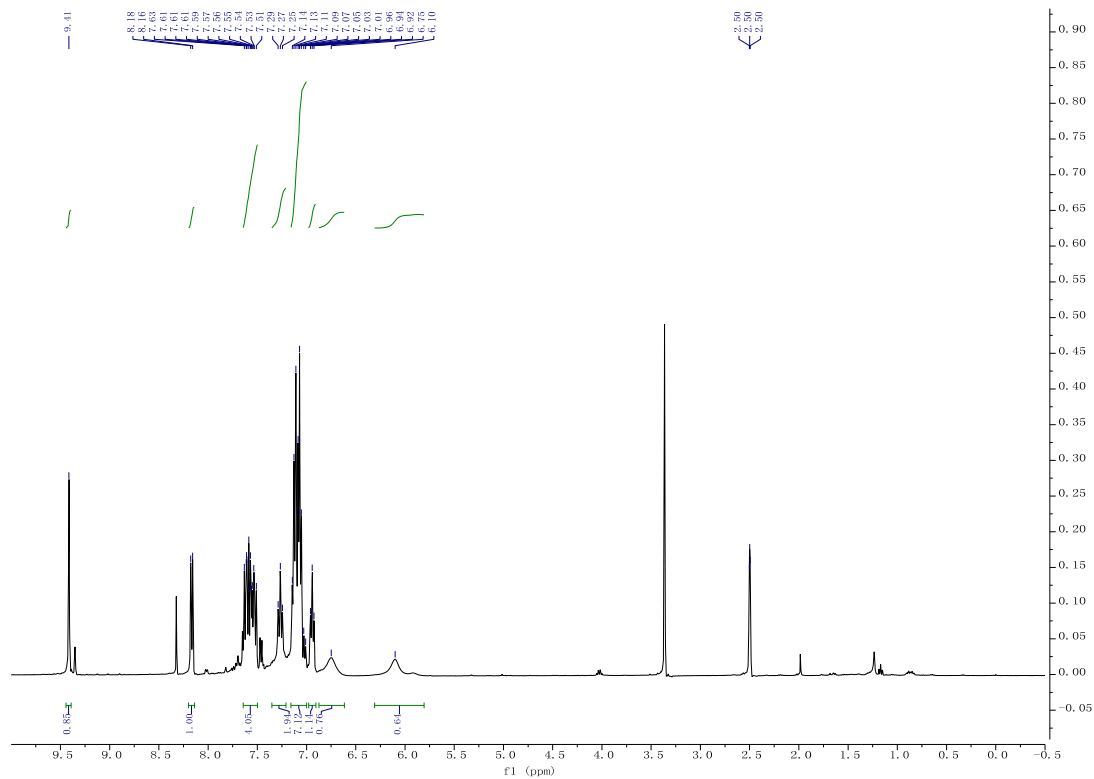
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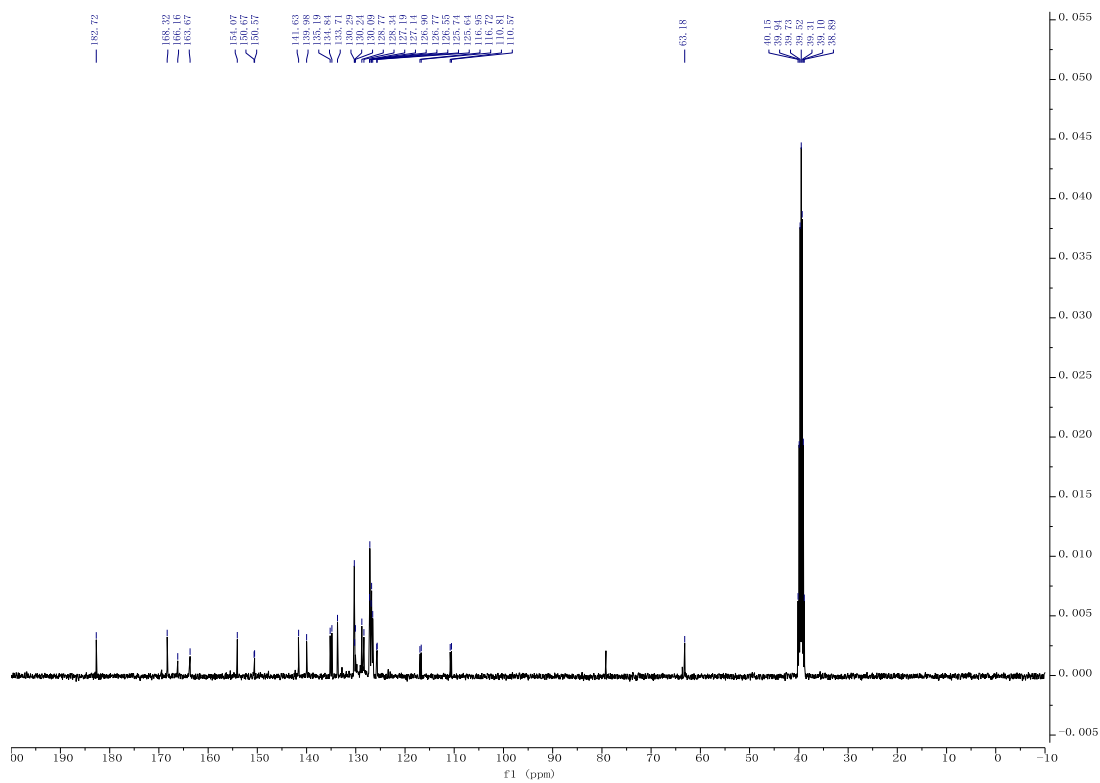




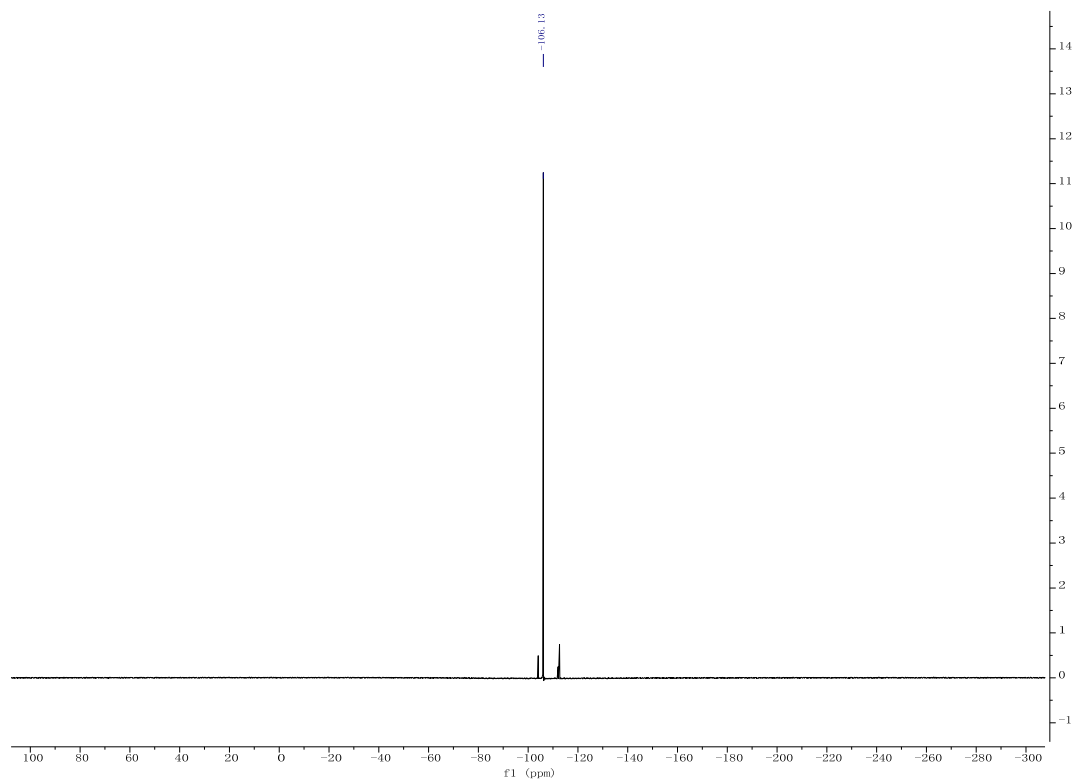
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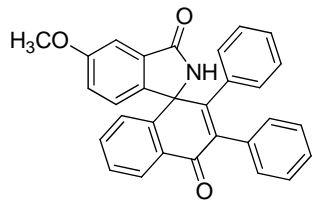


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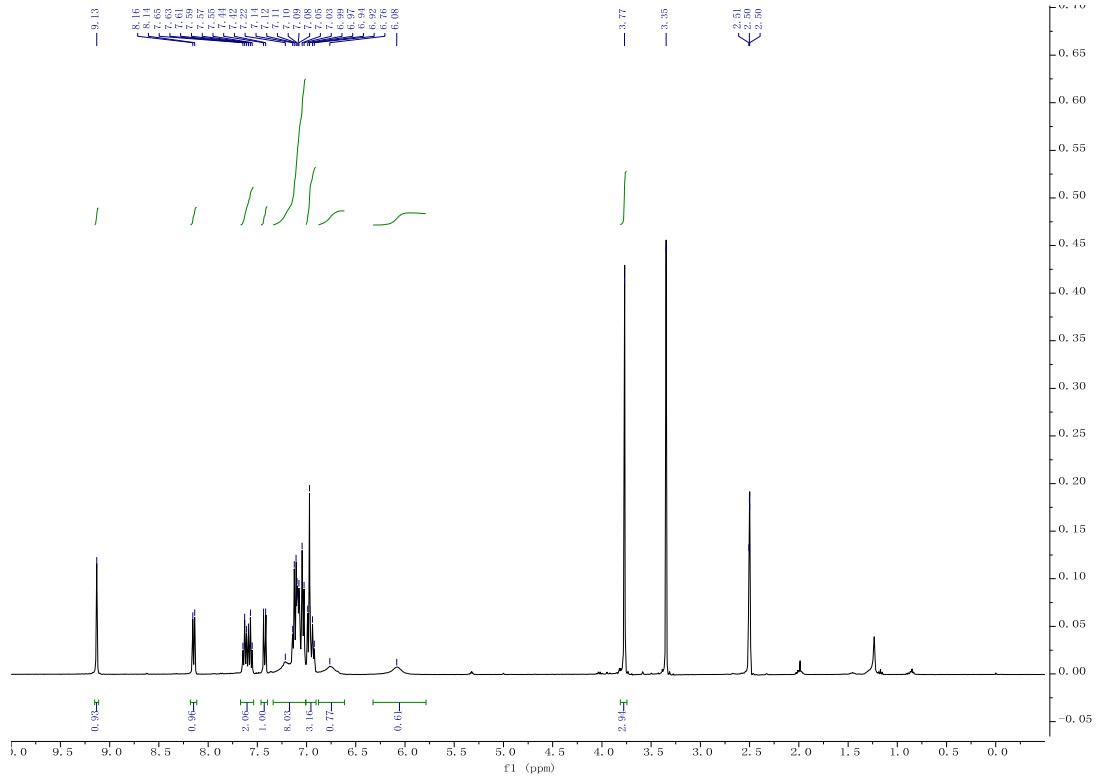


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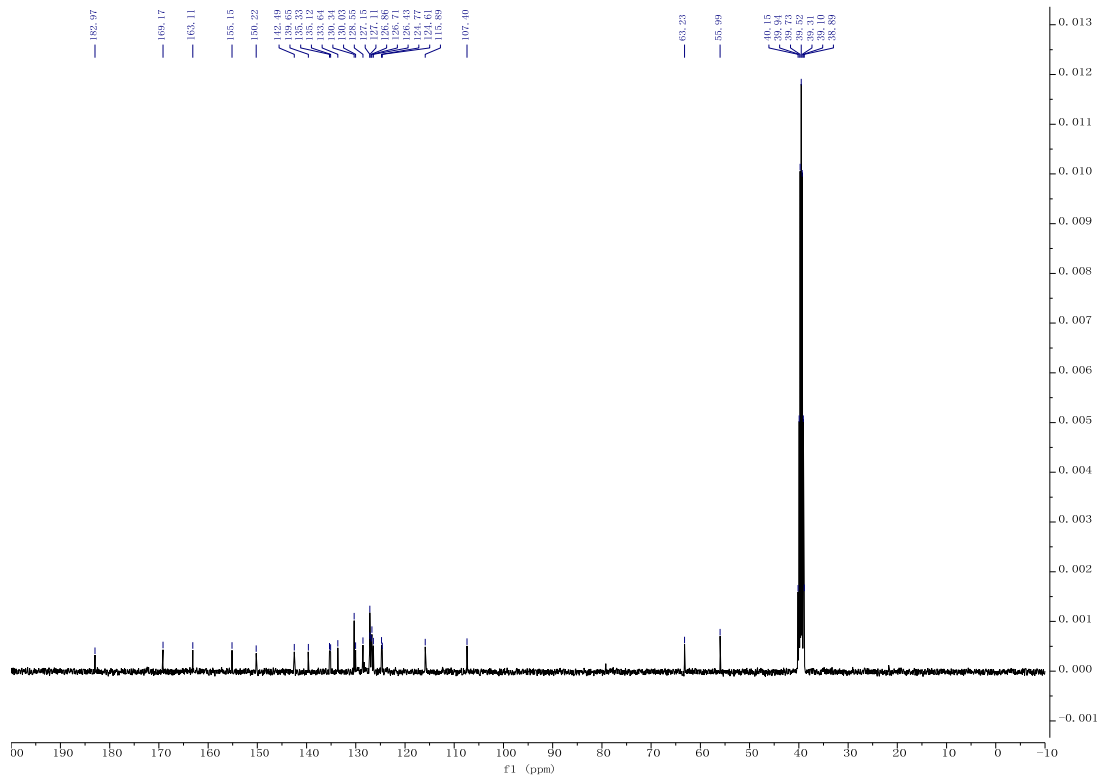


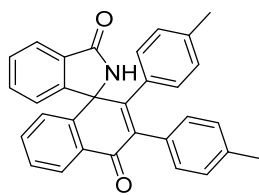


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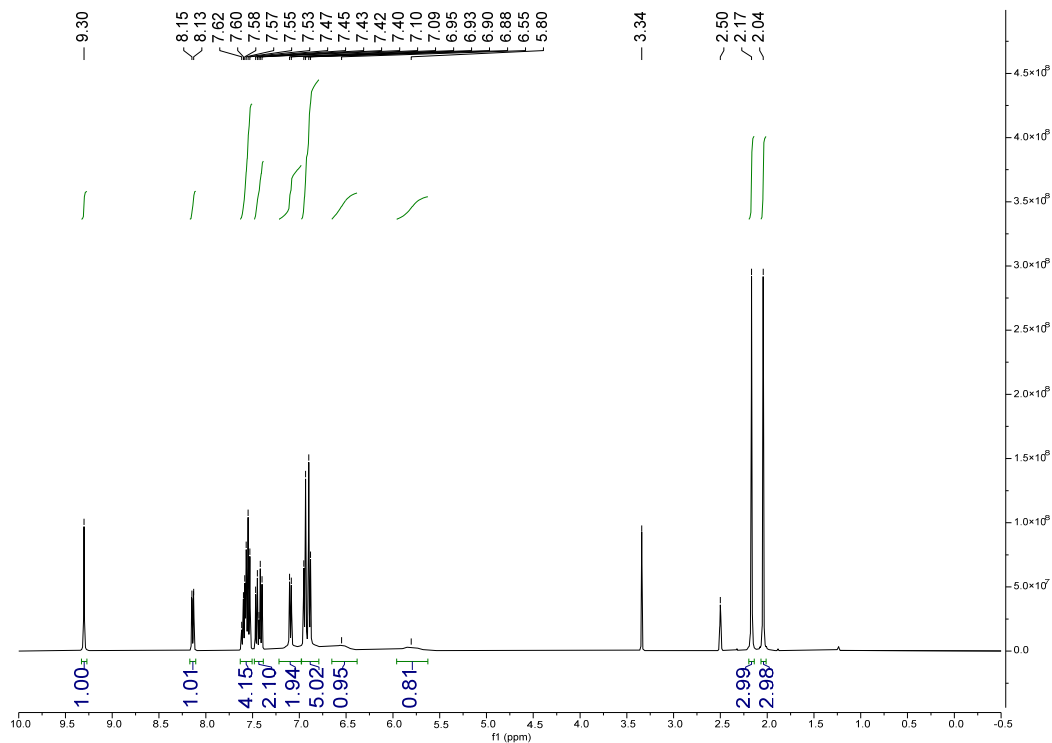


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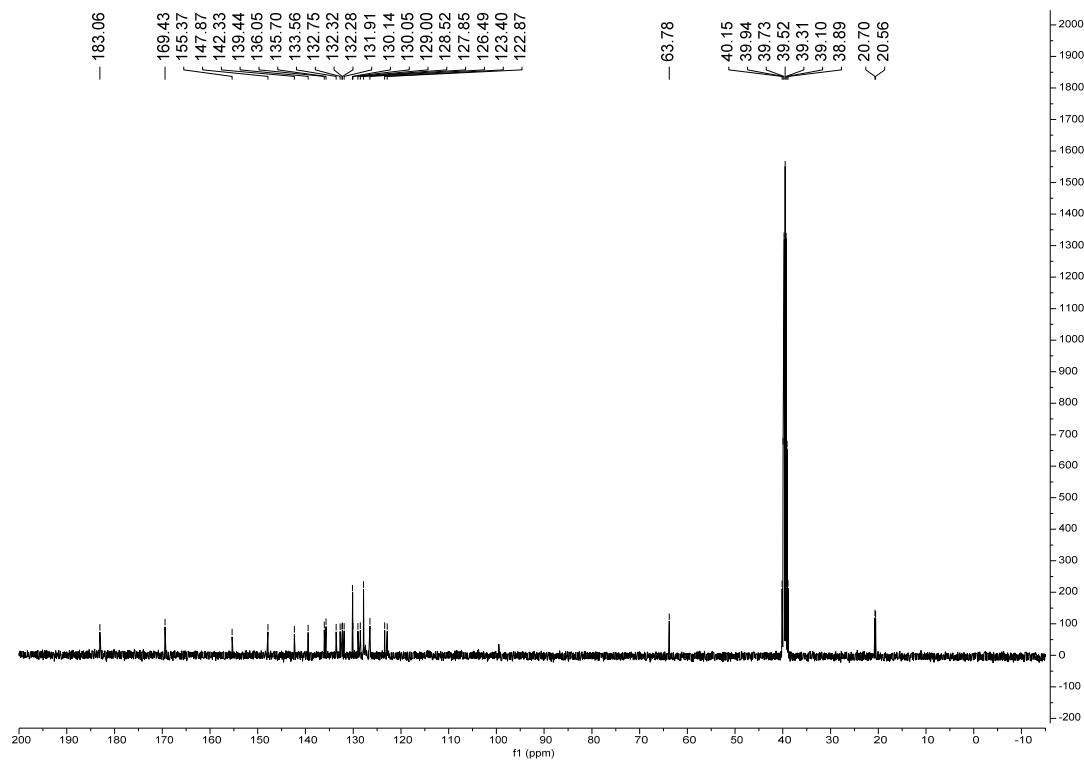


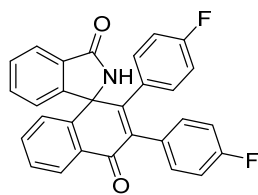


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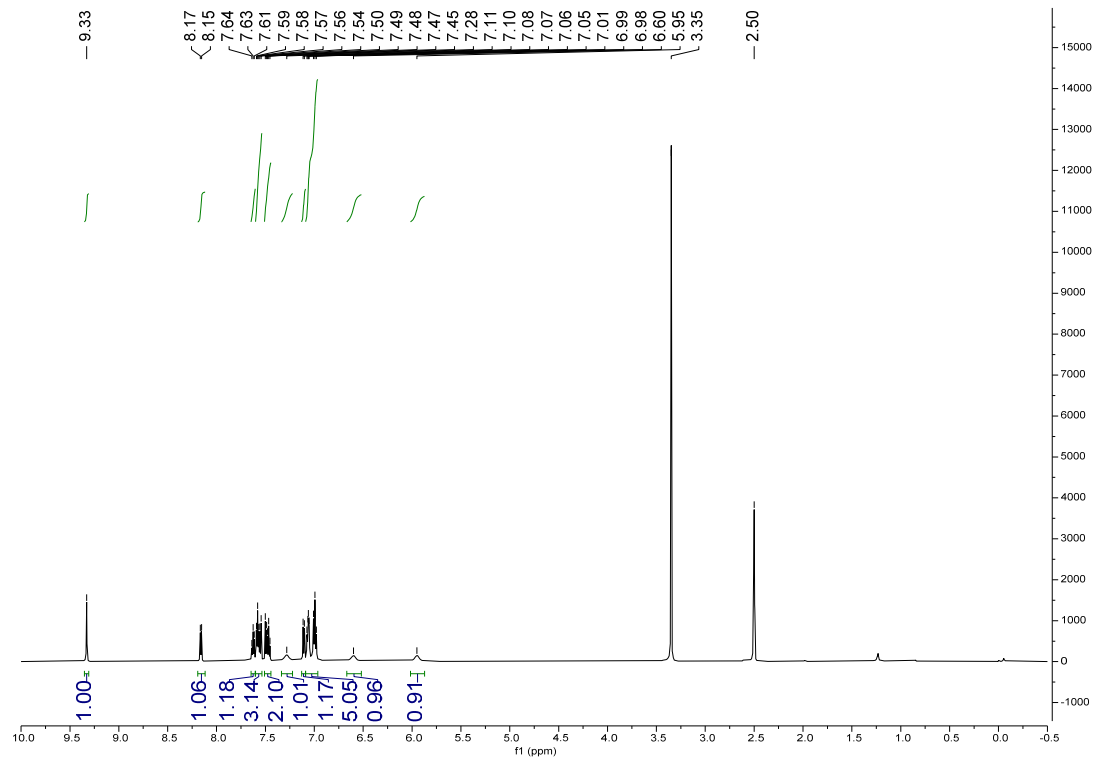


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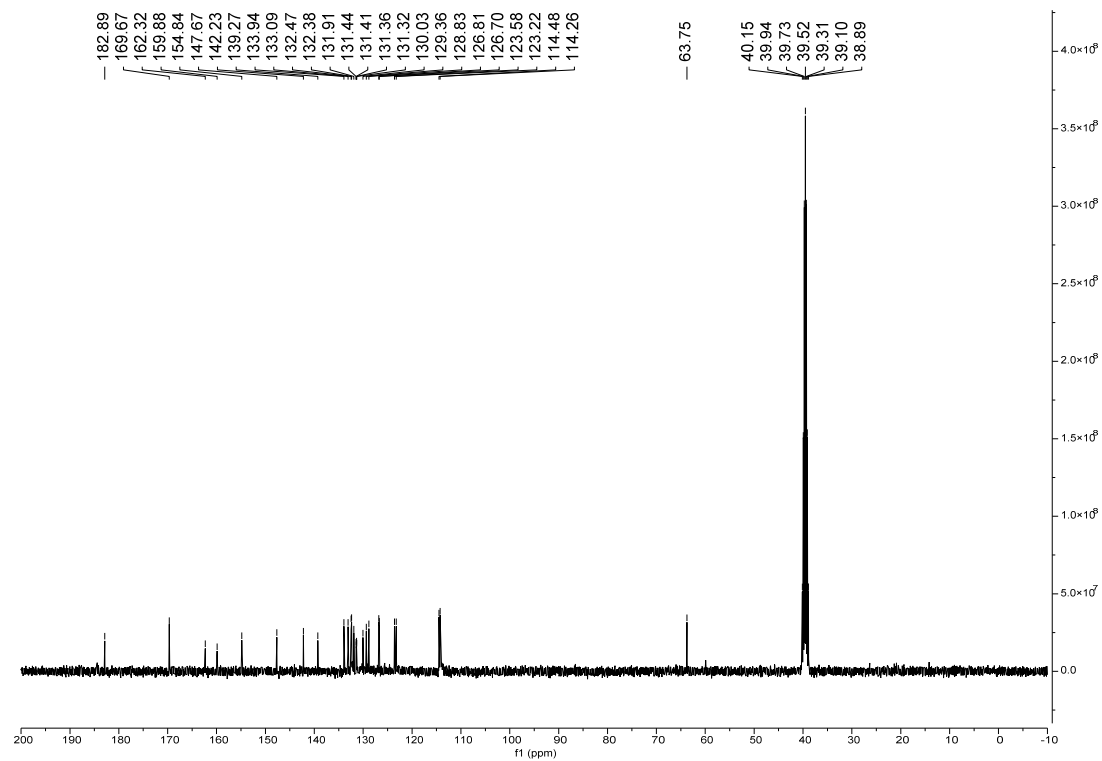




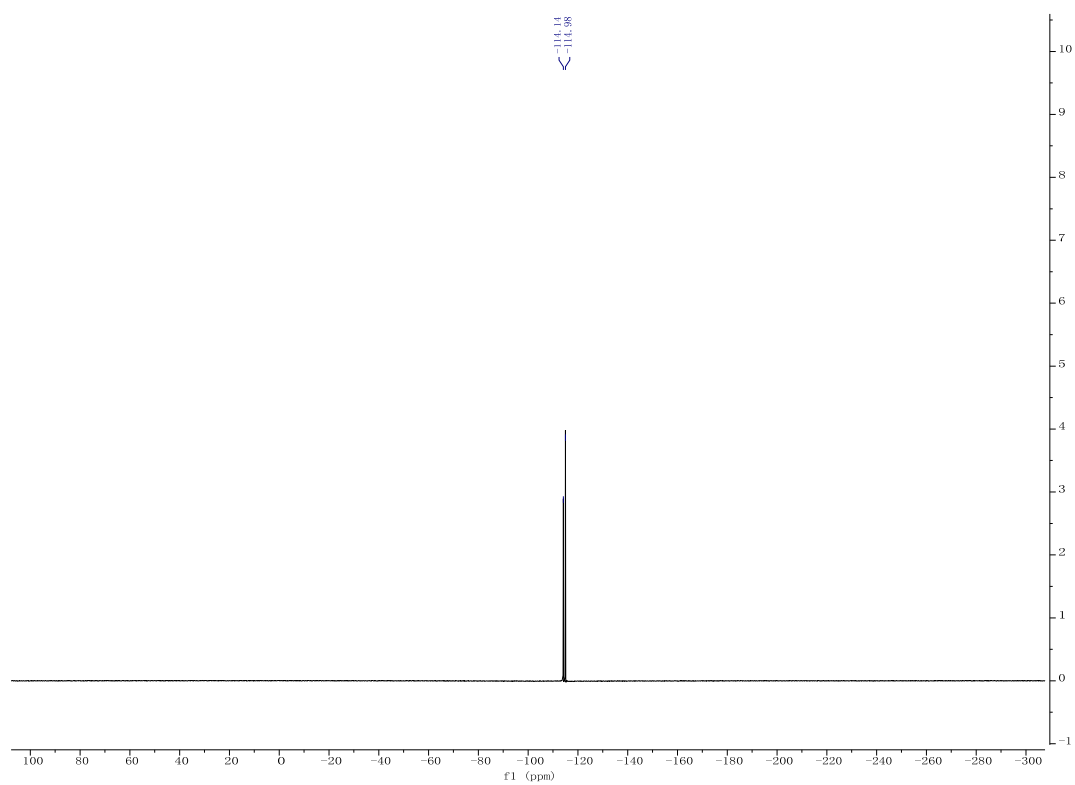
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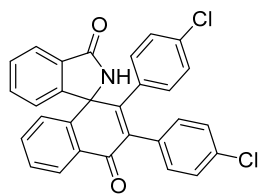


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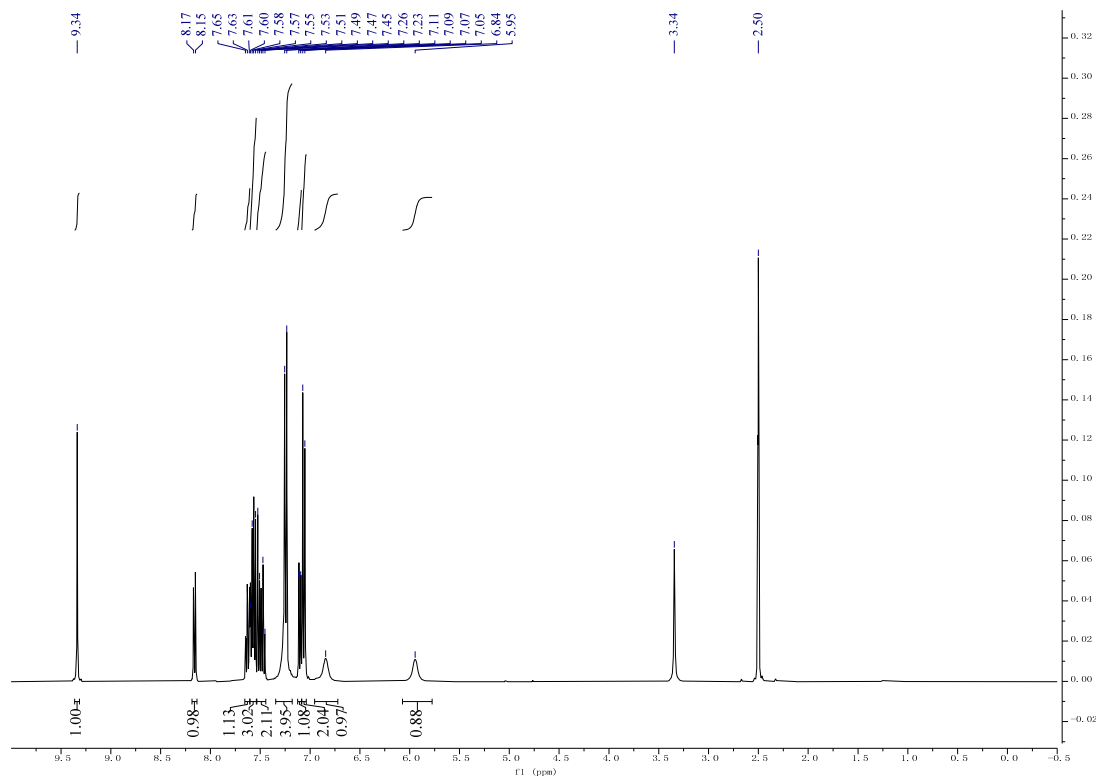


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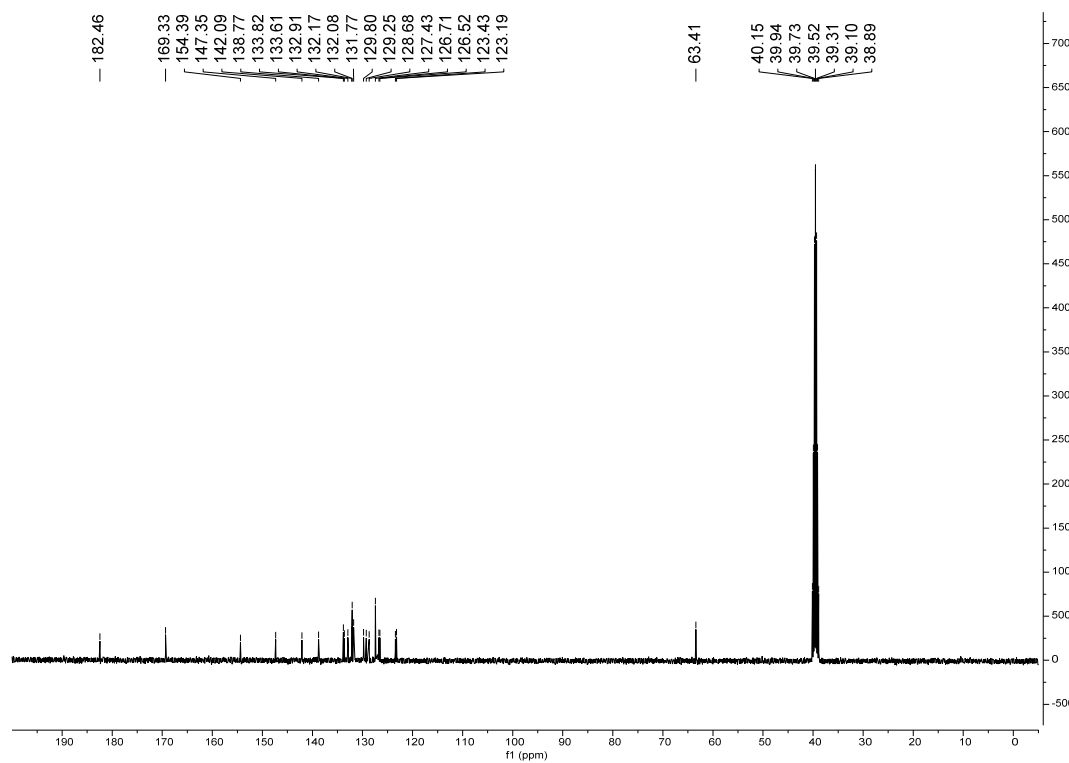


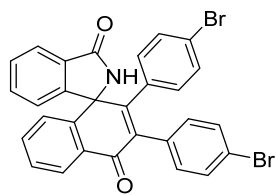


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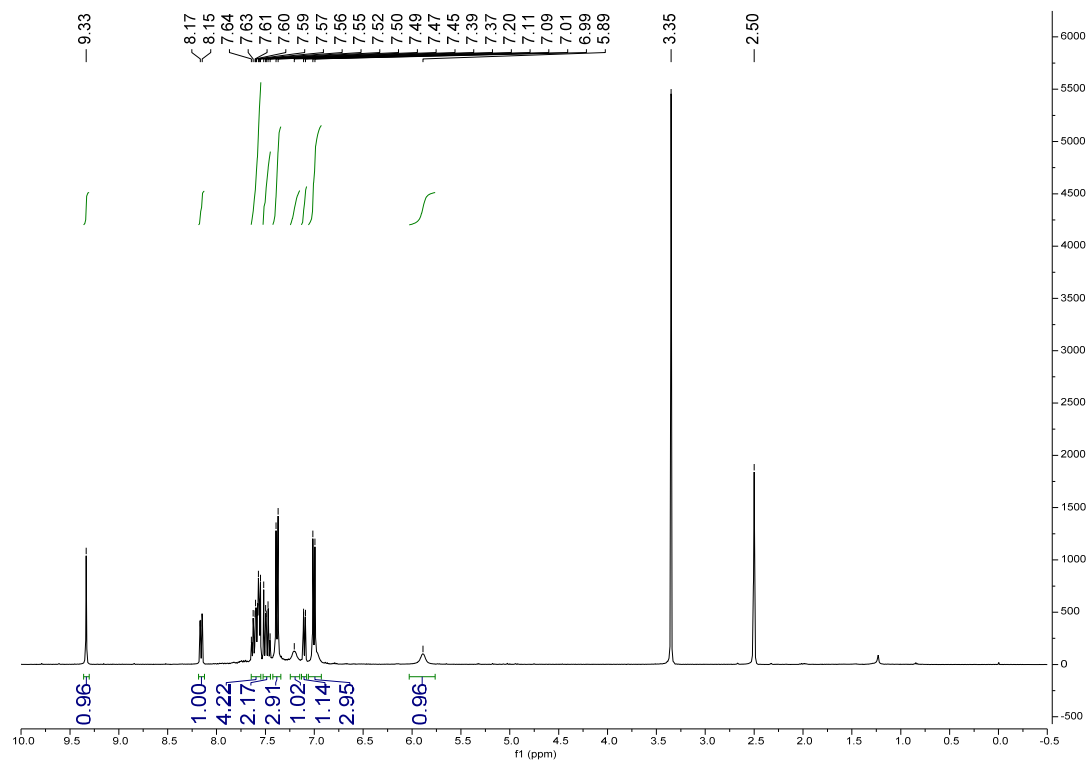


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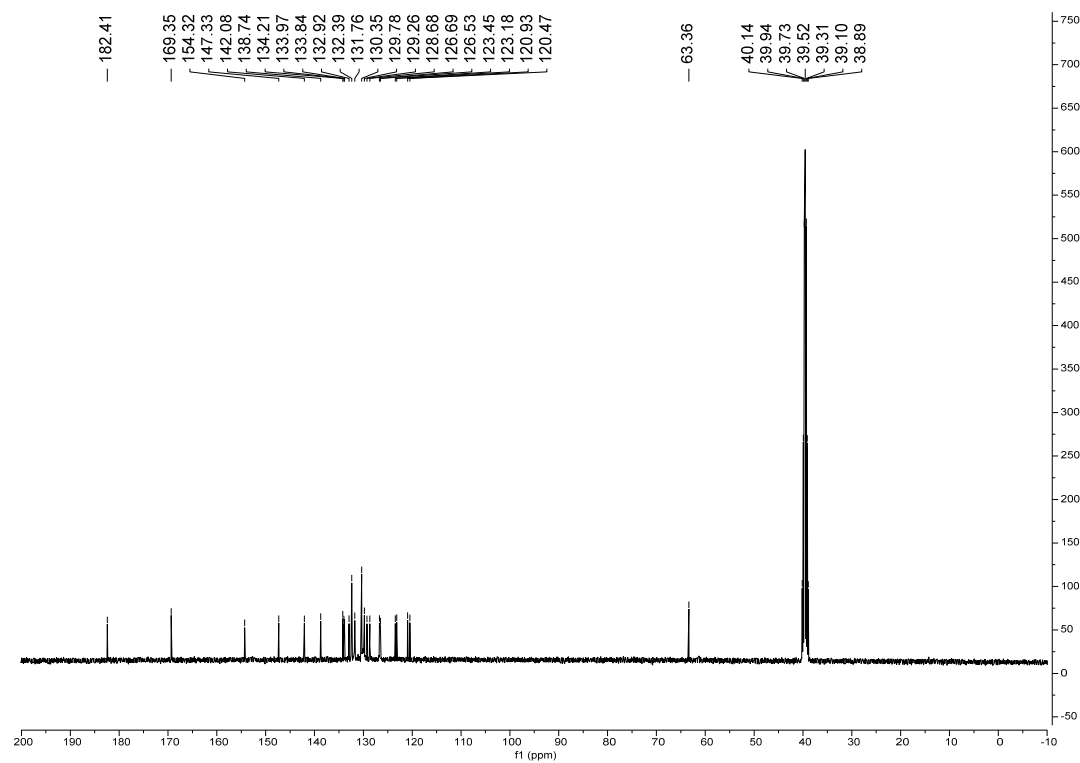




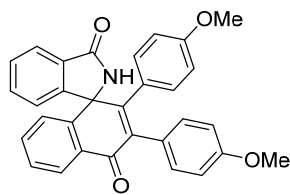
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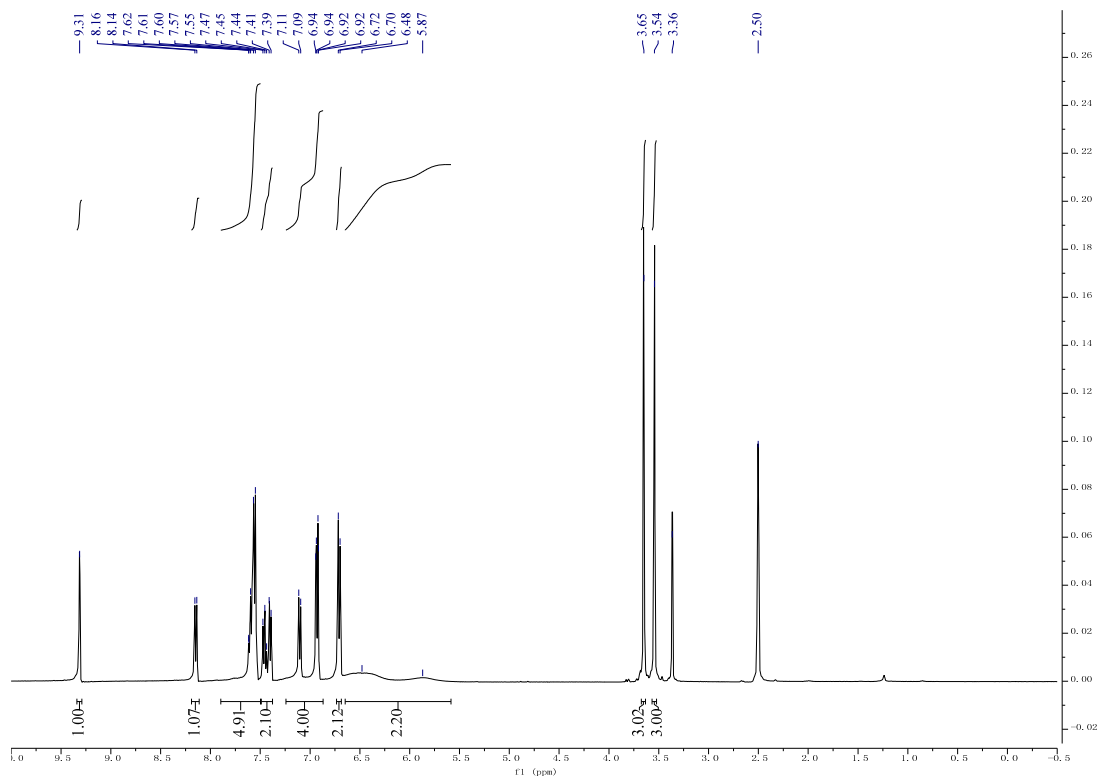
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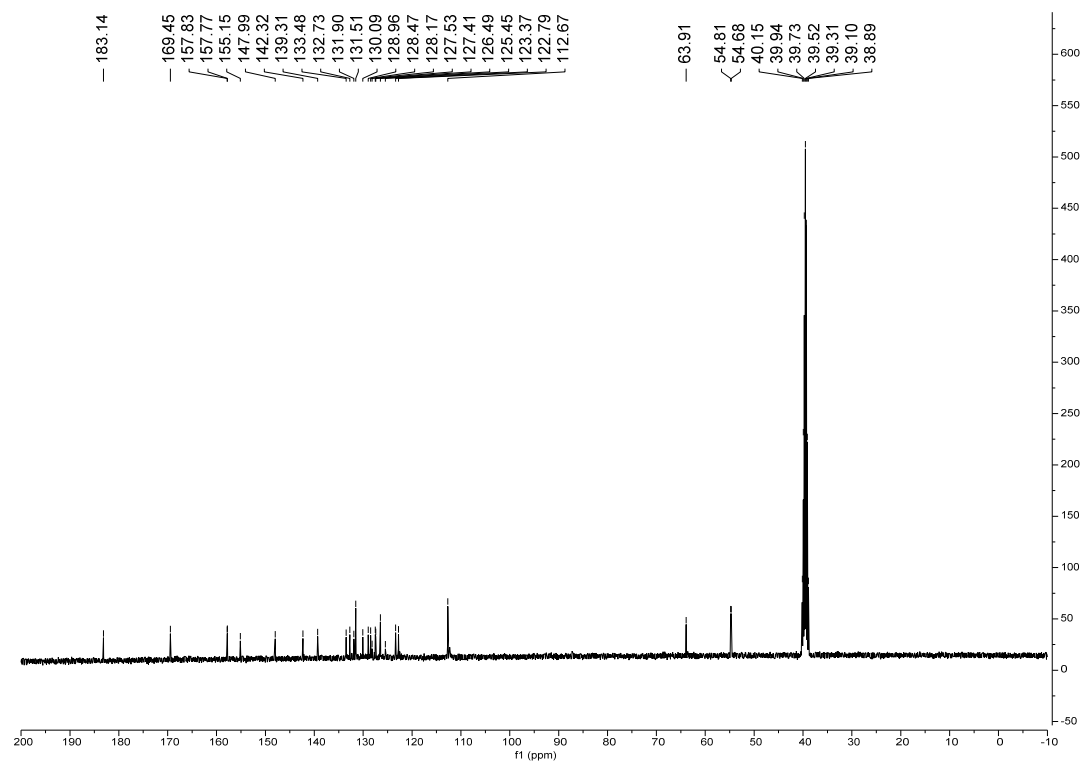


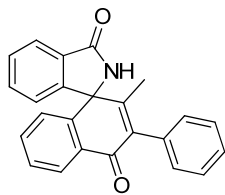


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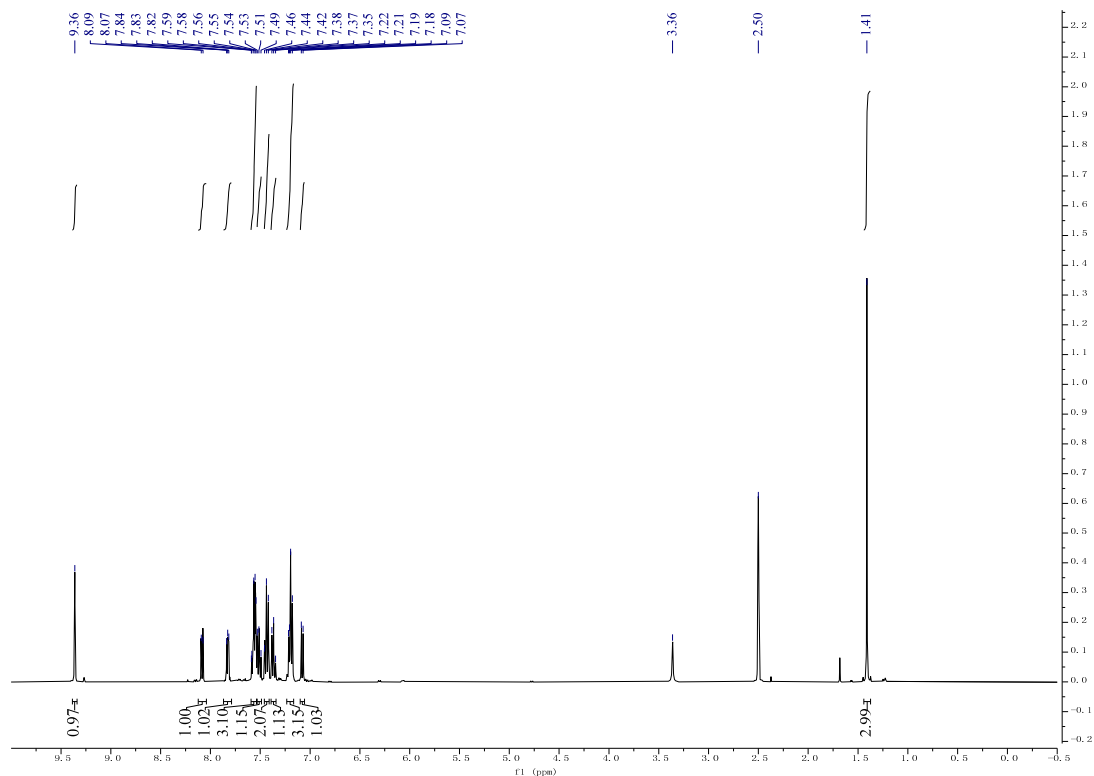


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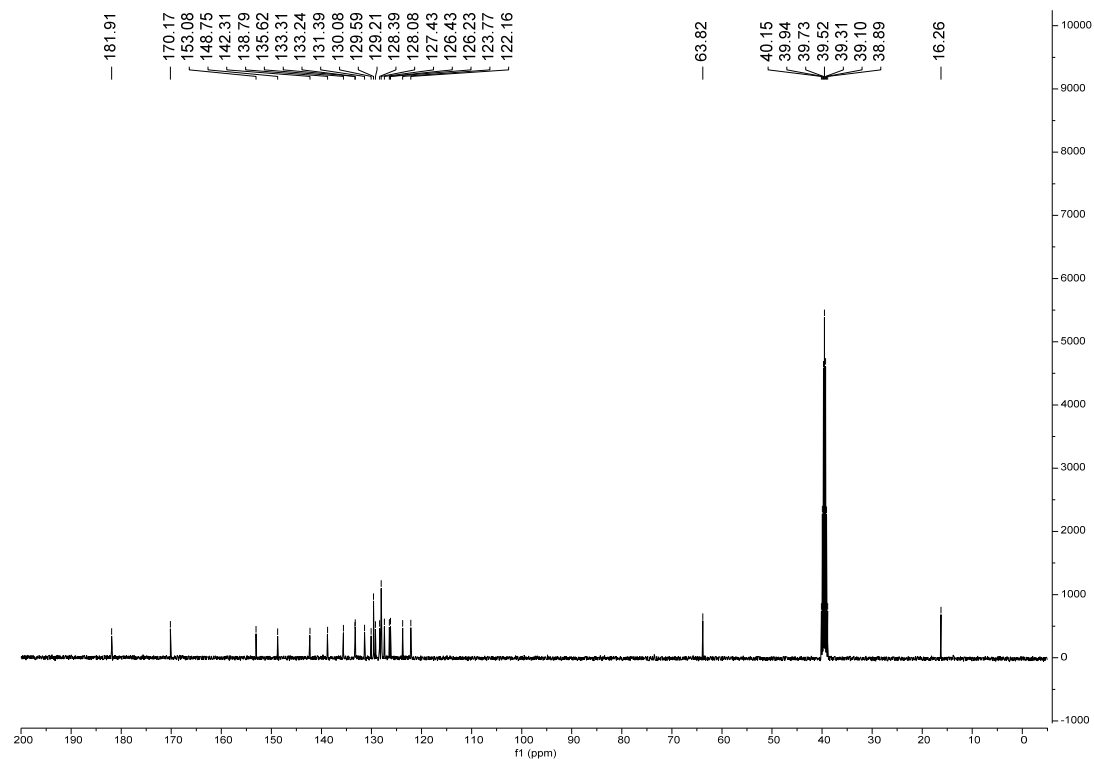


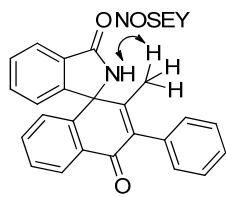


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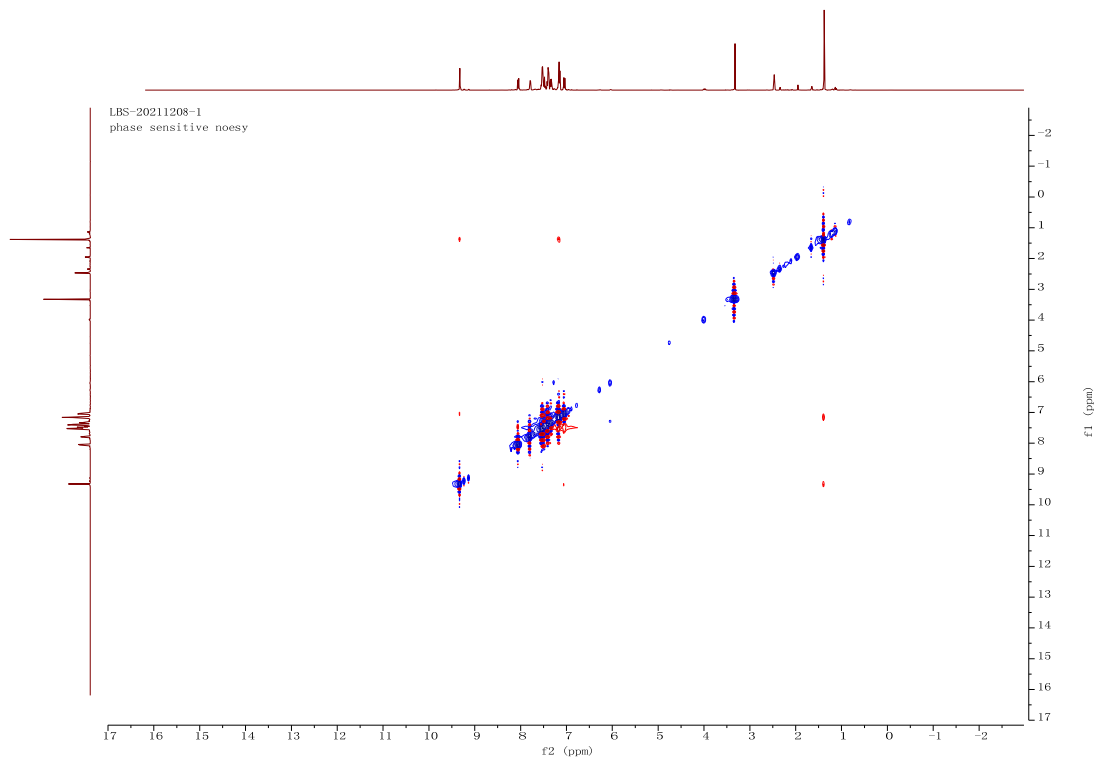


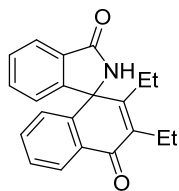
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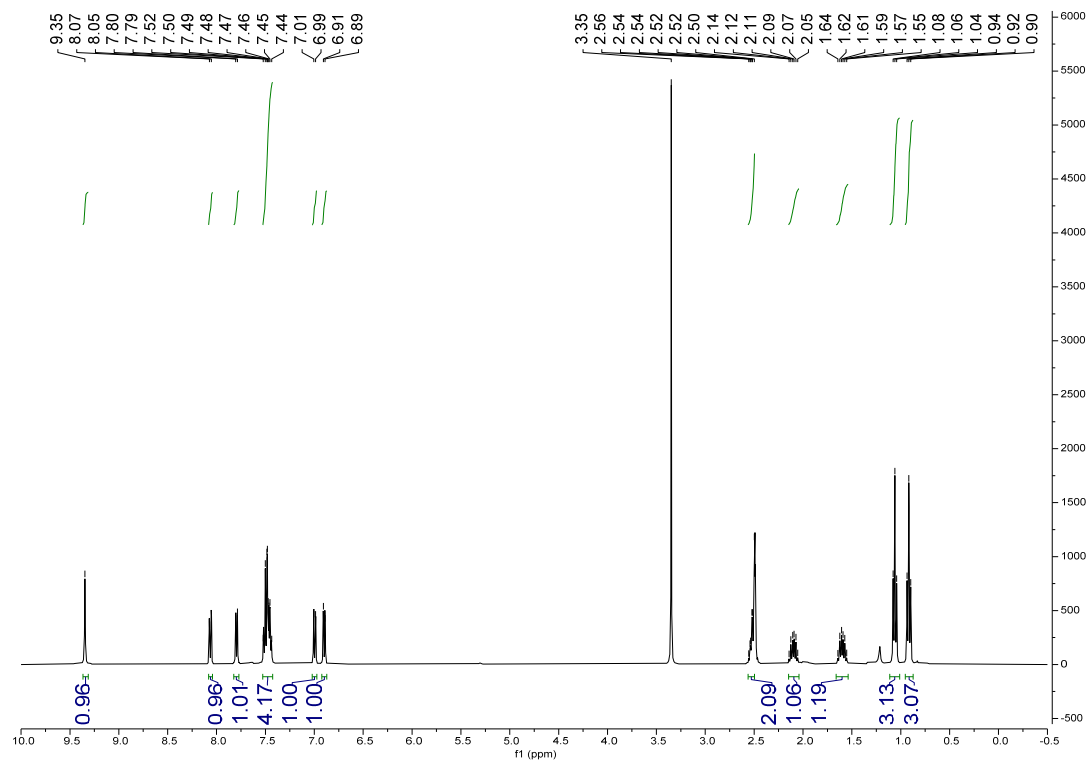


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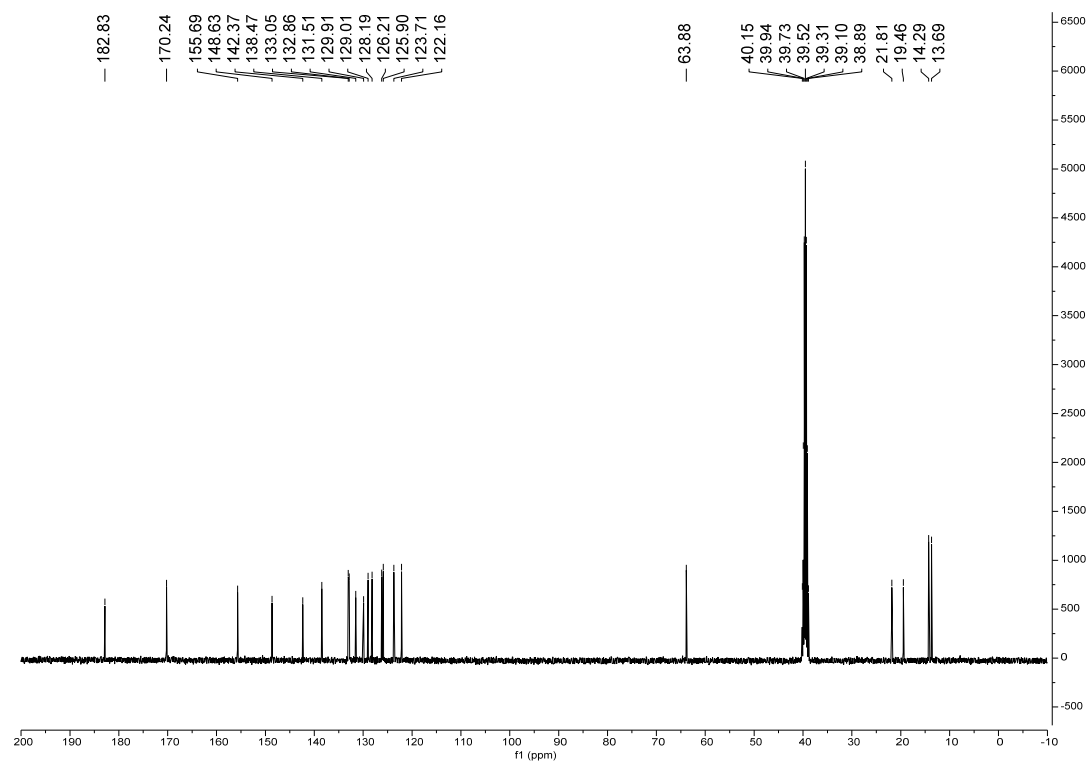


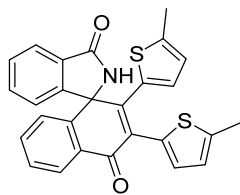


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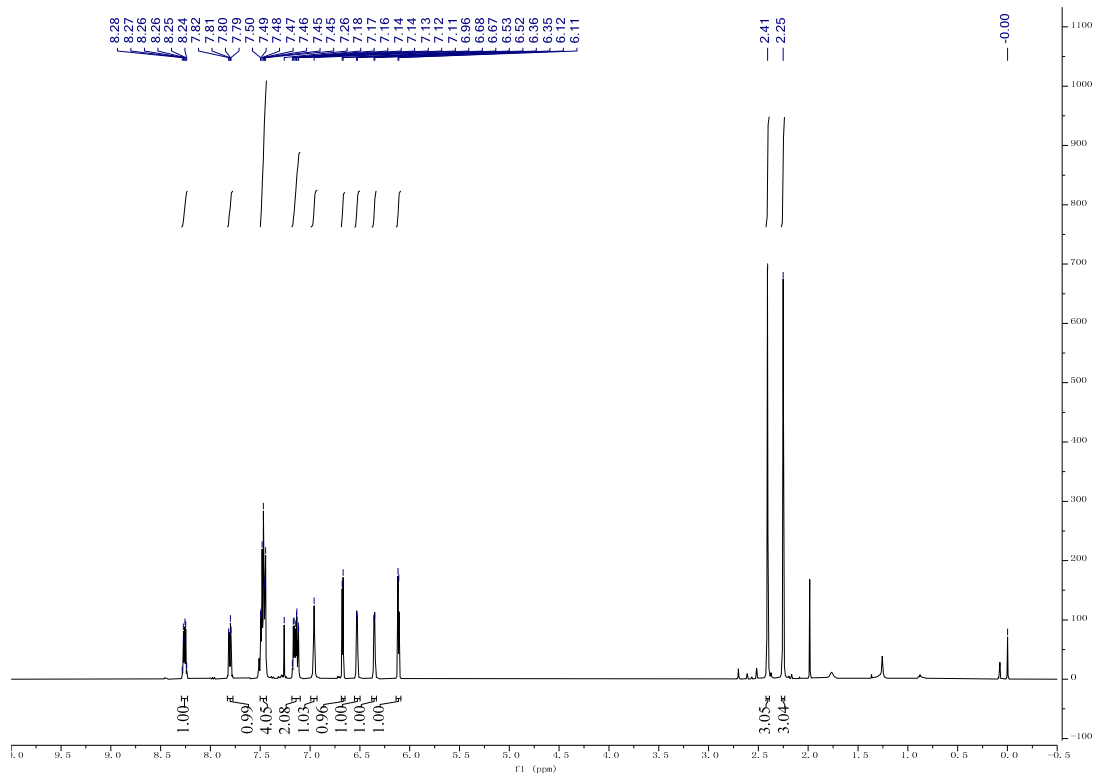


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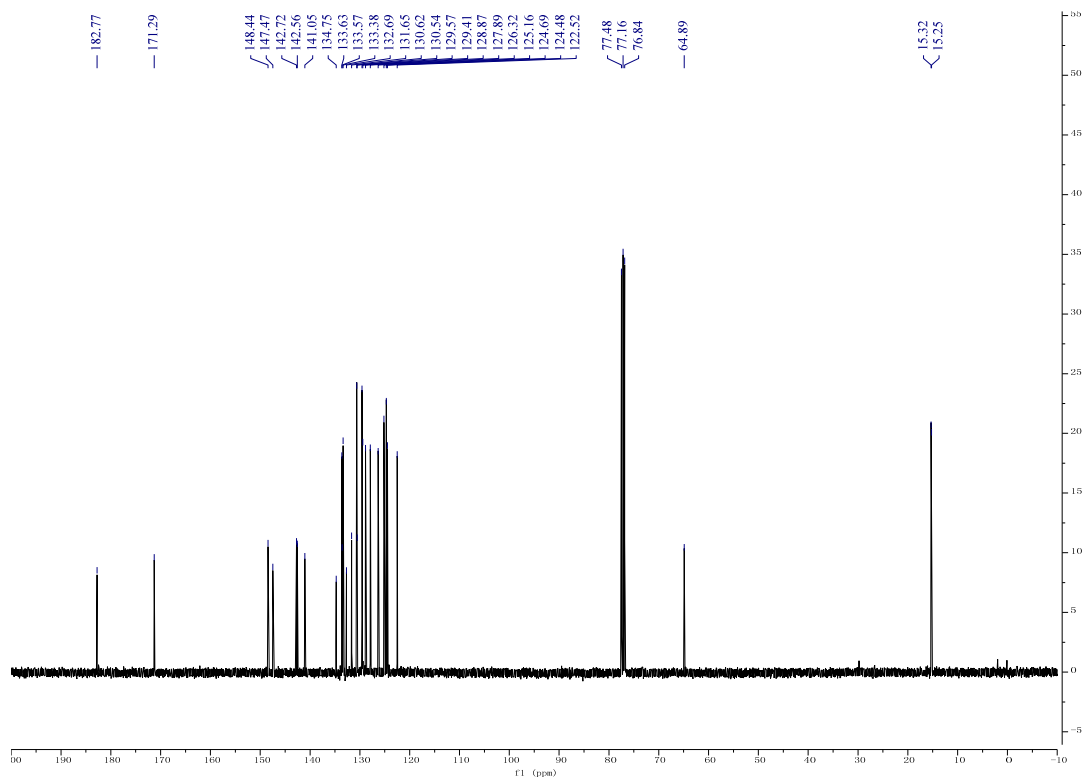


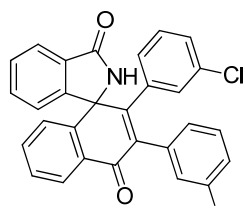


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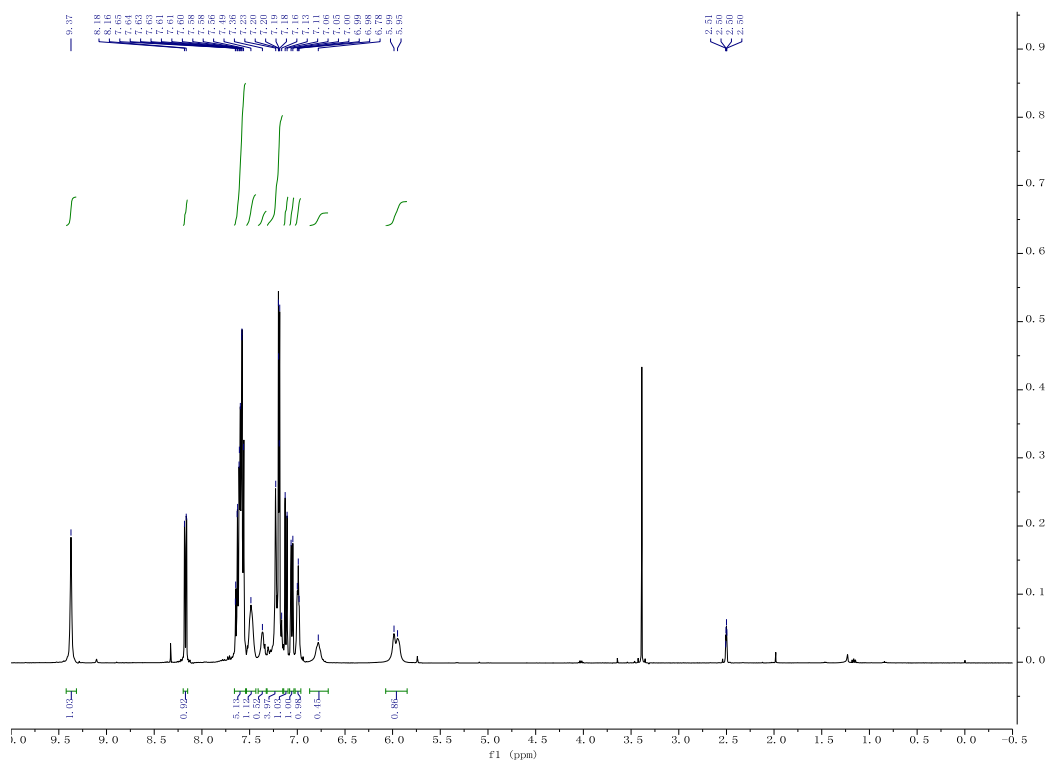


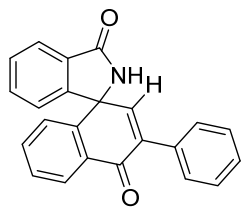
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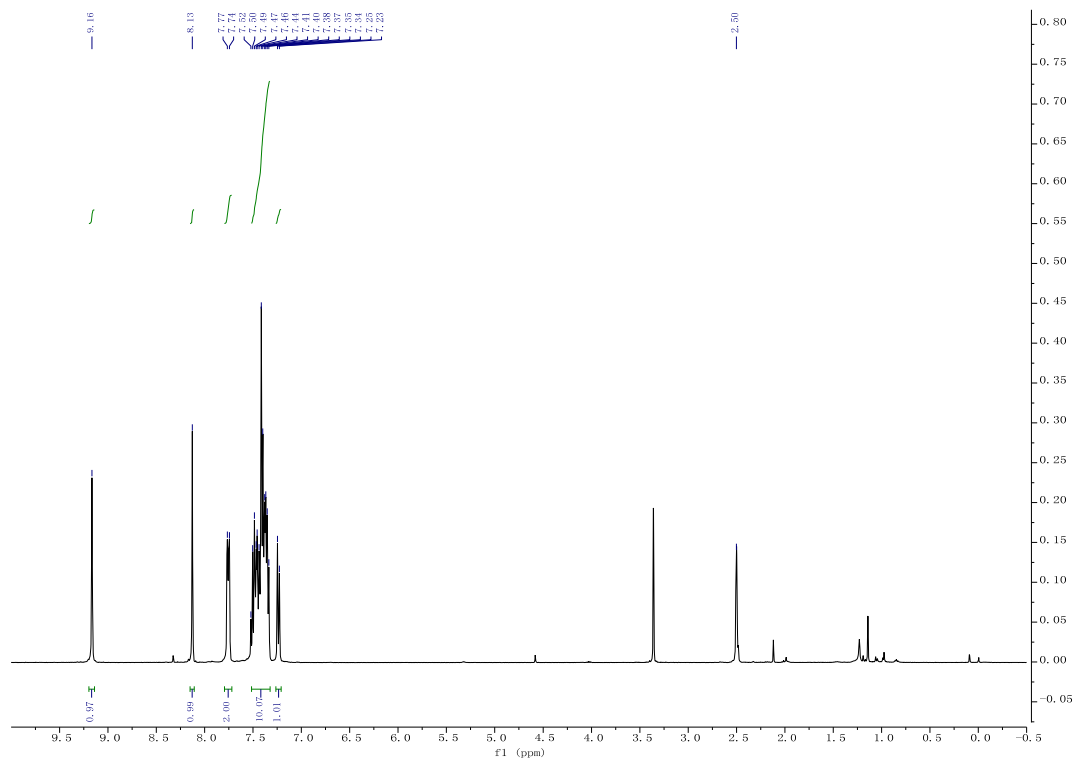


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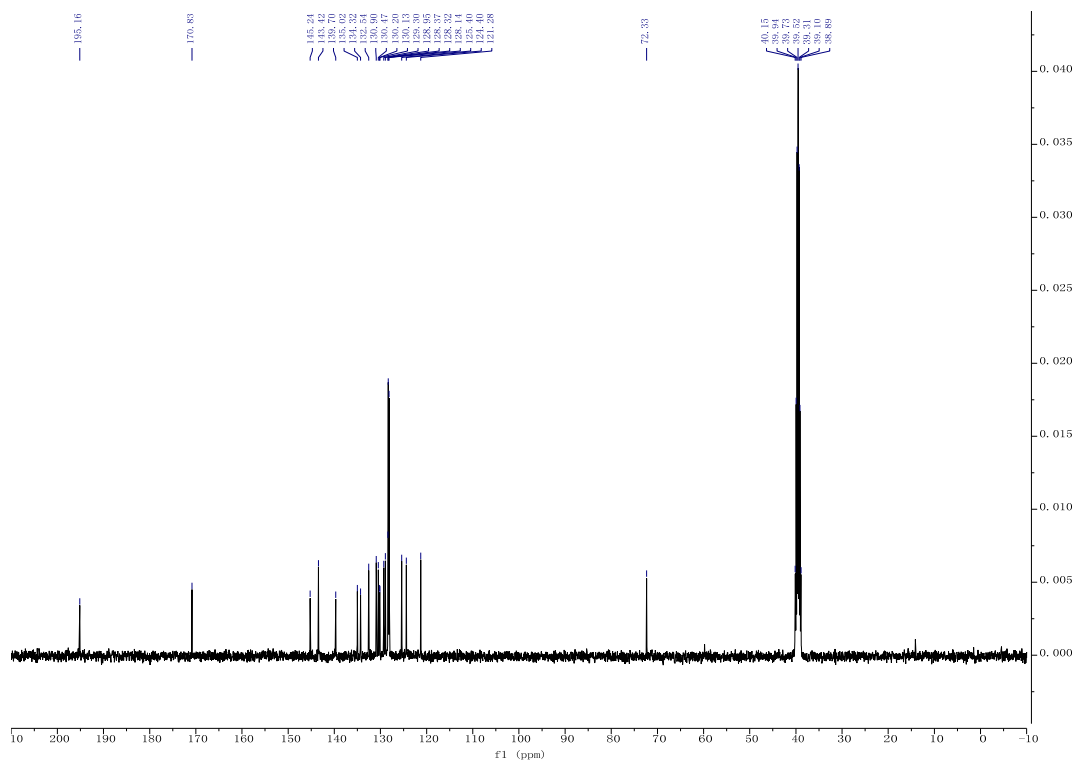


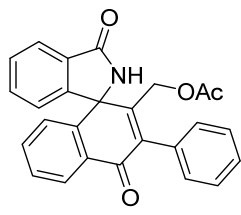


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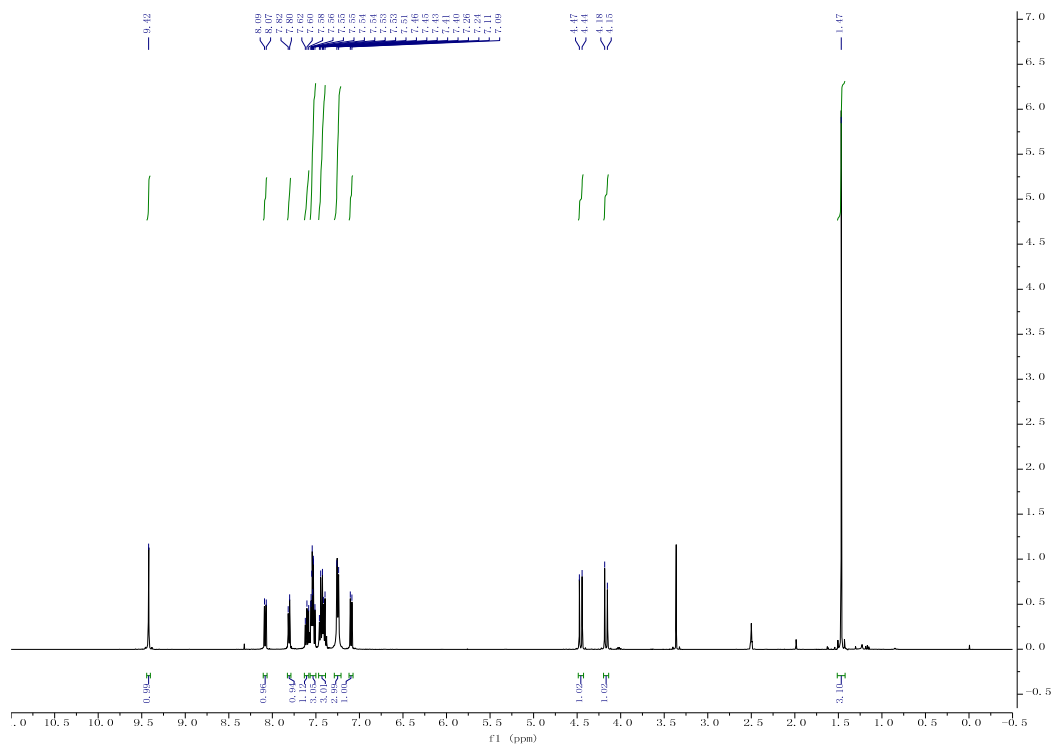


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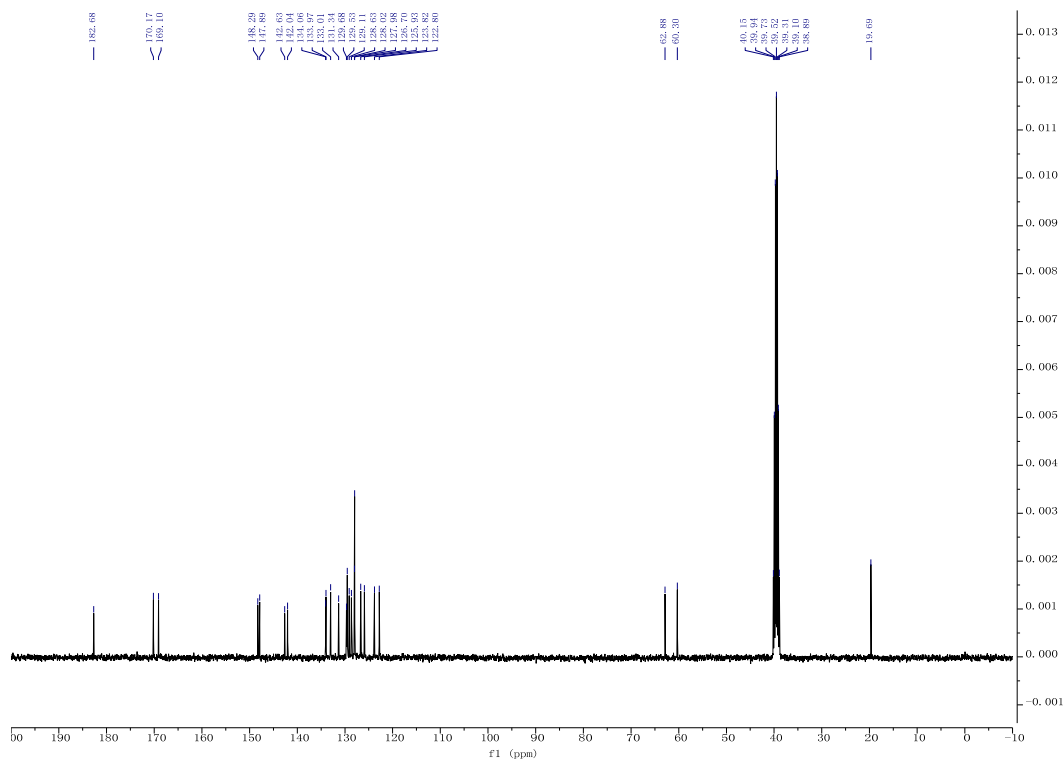




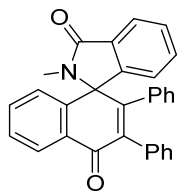
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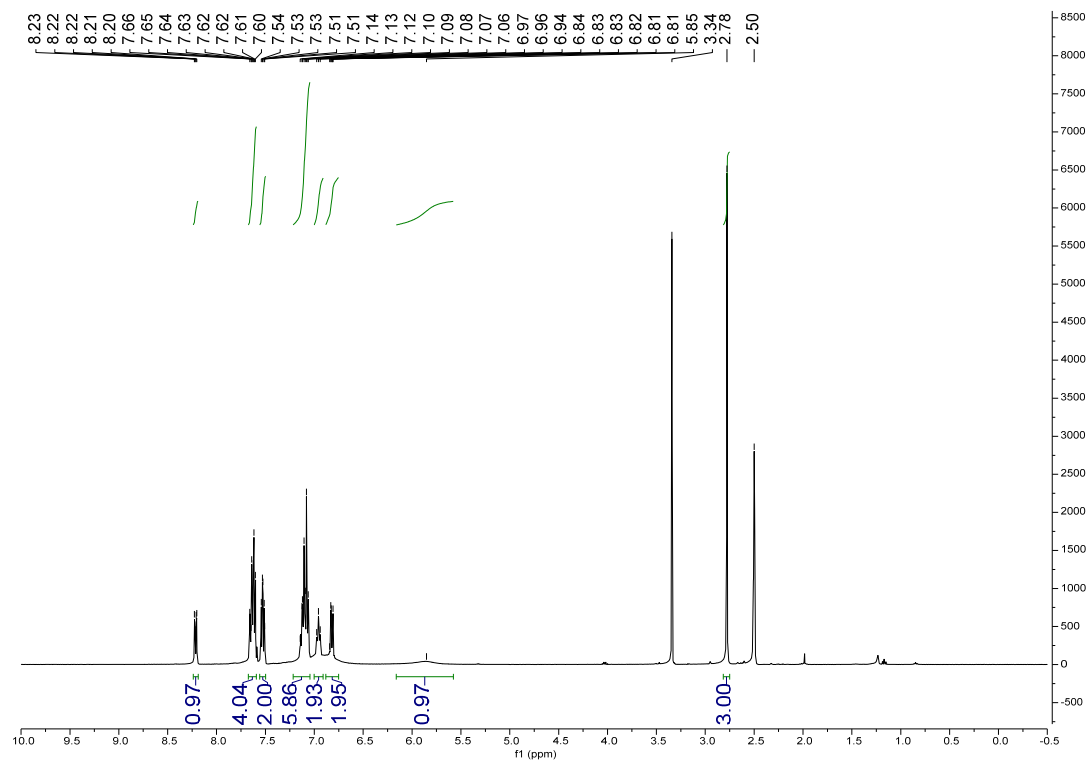
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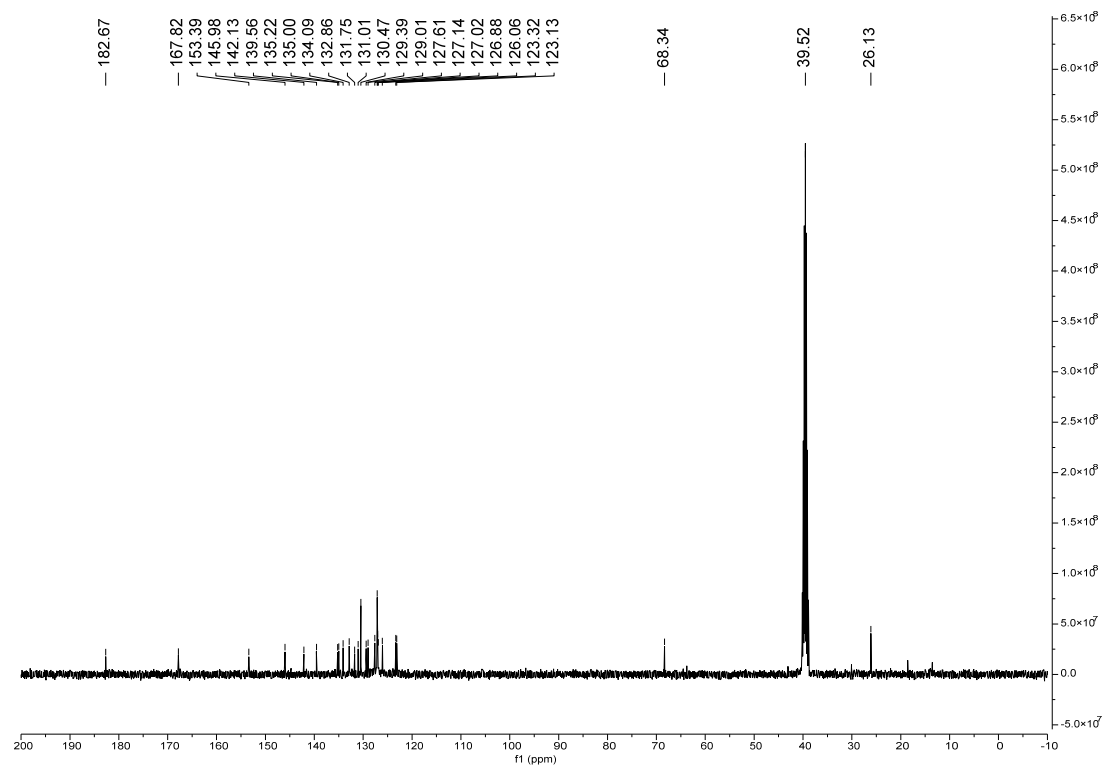


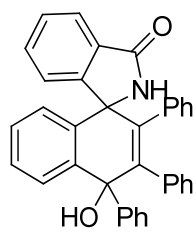


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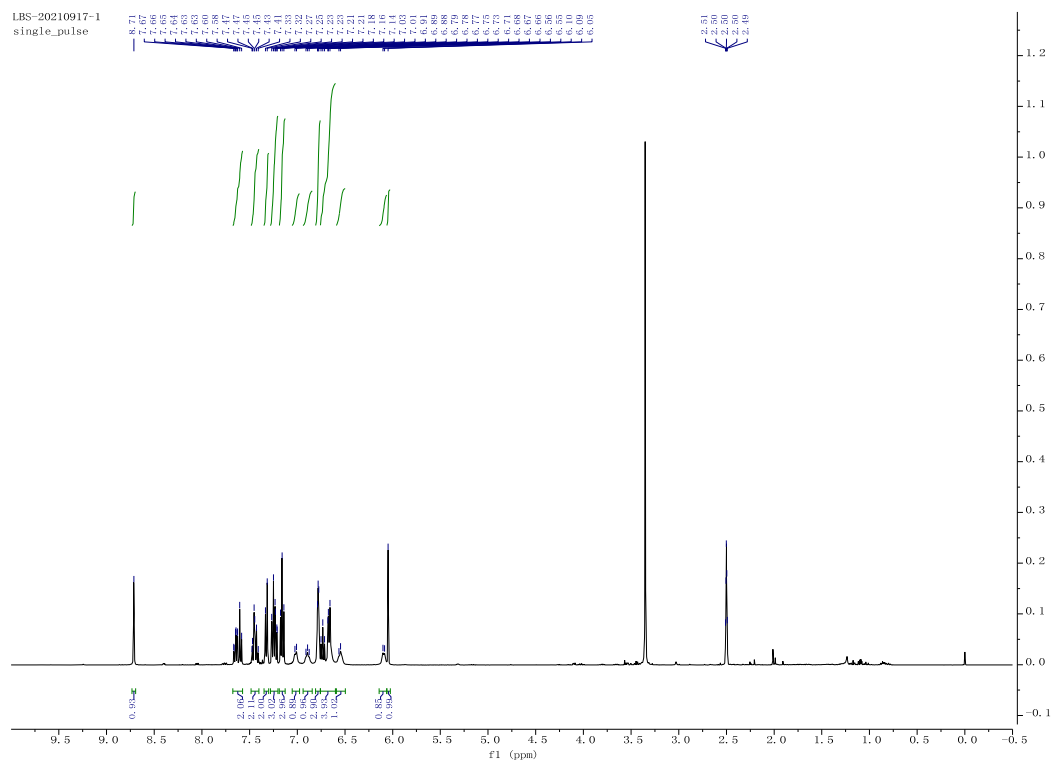


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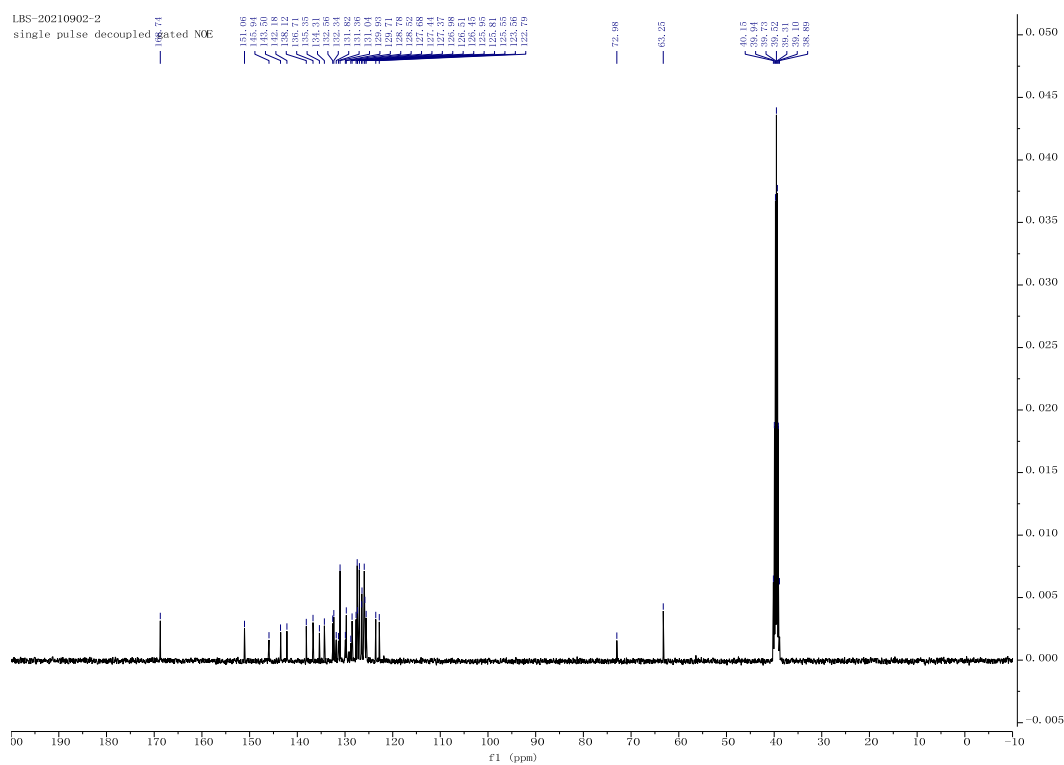


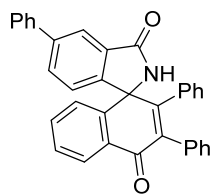


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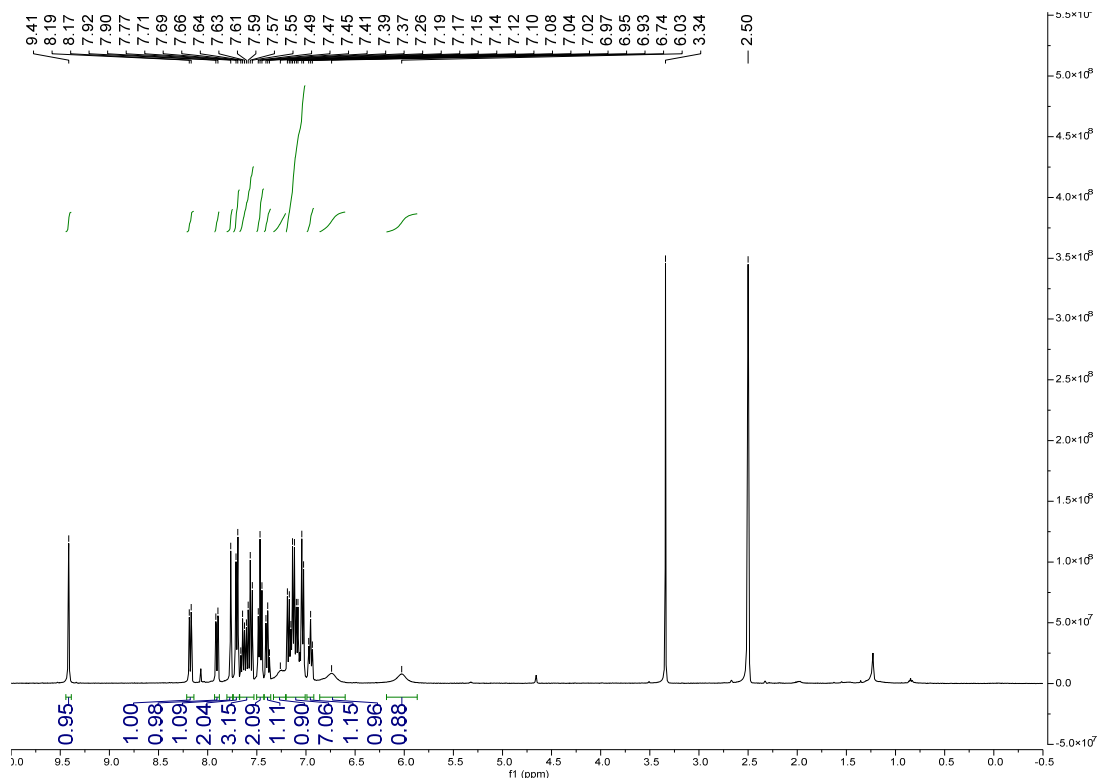


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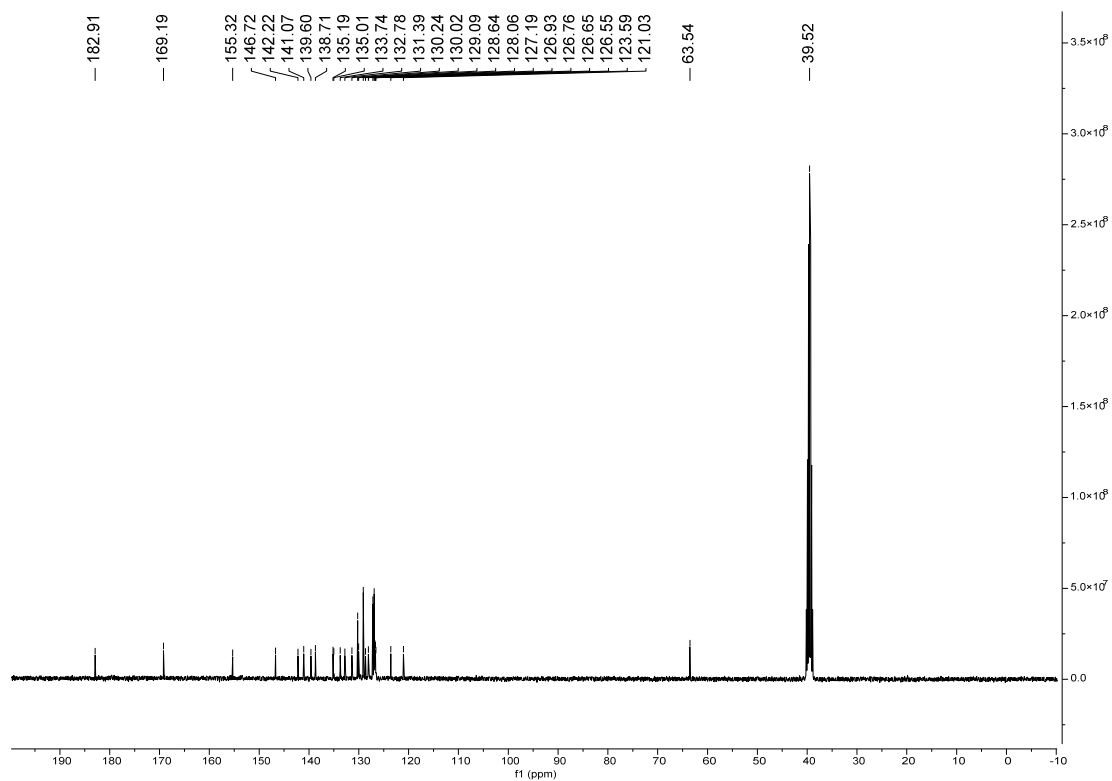




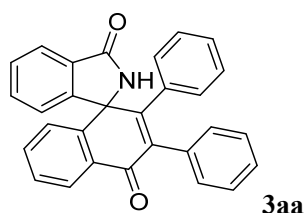
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## X-ray Structures



### The preparation of crystals:

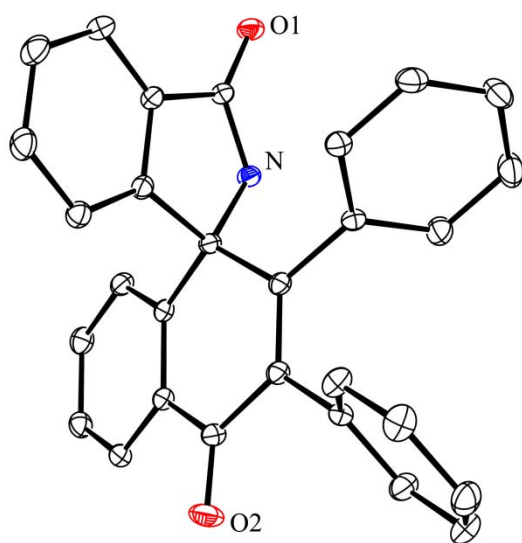
The crystals of **3aa** were obtained by dissolving **3aa** in a mixture of petrol ether and ethyl acetate (1:1) followed by slow evaporation of solvents at room temperature.

### X-ray crystal structure analysis of **3aa**:

Diffraction data for complex **3aa** were collected on a Bruker SMART APEX II diffractometer at 150 K with graphite-monochromated Mo K $\alpha$  radiation ( $\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ \AA}$ ). An empirical absorption correction using SADABS was applied for all data.<sup>3</sup> The structures were solved and refined to convergence on  $F^2$  for all independent reflections by the full-matrix least squares method using the SHELXL-2016 programs.<sup>4</sup>

Crystallographic data and refinement details for compound **3aa** are given in Table S1. CCDC number 2115545. This data can be obtained free of charge from the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre [www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/data\\_request/cif](http://www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/data_request/cif).

### X-ray Structure of **3aa** (CCDC 2115545)



Molecular structure of **3aa** (thermal ellipsoids are set at the 30% probability level; H atoms are

omitted for clarity).

**Table S1**

Compound	<b>3aa</b>
Empirical formula	C <sub>29</sub> H <sub>19</sub> NO <sub>2</sub>
Fw	413.45
Crystal system	triclinic
Space group	<i>P</i> -1
<i>a</i> / Å	10.336(3)
<i>b</i> / Å	10.907(3)
<i>c</i> / Å	11.626(3)
$\alpha$ / °	117.746(12)
$\beta$ / °	101.702(16)
$\gamma$ / °	100.621(16)
<i>V</i> / Å <sup>3</sup>	1075.5(5)
<i>Z</i>	2
<i>D</i> <sub>calc</sub> / g cm <sup>-3</sup>	1.277
<i>F</i> (000)	432
$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.080
$\theta$ range	2.441–25.242
Reflns collected	3888
Independent reflns	2967
Reflns [ <i>I</i> > 2 $\sigma$ ( <i>I</i> )]	3888
<i>R</i> <sub>int</sub>	0.0702
<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> ; <i>wR</i> <sub>2</sub> [ <i>I</i> > 2 $\sigma$ ( <i>I</i> )]	0.0438; 0.0986
<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> ; <i>wR</i> <sub>2</sub> (all data)	0.0658; 0.1082
GOF ( <i>F</i> <sup>2</sup> )	1.013

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