

Supporting Information

Redox-neutral Manganese-Catalyzed Synthesis of 1-Pyrrolines

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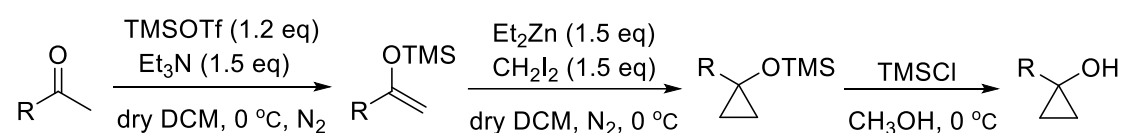
1. General experimental details

All reactions were maintained under a nitrogen atmosphere unless otherwise stated. Commercially available reagents were used without further purification. Infrared (FT-IR) spectra were recorded on a BRUKER VERTEX 70, ν_{max} in cm^{-1} . $^1\text{H-NMR}$ spectra were recorded on a BRUKER AVANCE III HD (400 MHz) spectrometer. Chemical shifts are reported in ppm from tetramethylsilane with the solvent resonance as internal standard (CDCl_3 : δ 7.26). Data are reported as follows: chemical shift, multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quadruplet, br = broad, m = multiplet), coupling constants (Hz) and integration. $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ spectra were recorded on a BRUKER AVANCE III HD (100 MHz) spectrometer with complete proton decoupling. Chemical shifts are reported in ppm from tetramethylsilane with the solvent resonance as the internal standard (CDCl_3 : δ 77.16). $^{19}\text{F-NMR}$ spectra were recorded on a BRUKER AVANCE III HD (376 MHz) spectrometer. Mass spectra were measured with an Agilent Technologies 6120 Quadrupole LC/MS. High resolution mass spectrometry (HRMS) were measured with a GCT PremierTM and BRUKER micrOTF-Q III. Melting points were measured using INESA WRR and values are uncorrected.

2. General procedure for synthesis of cyclopropanols

The starting material cyclopropanols were prepared according to the reported procedure¹. Cyclopropanols **1a-n**, **1p**, **1q**, **1s**, and **1u-1v** are known compounds. The spectrum data of cyclopropanols **1a-b**, **1f-h**, **1l**, **1n**, **1p-1q**, **1s**, and **1v** can be found in Ref. 1a. The spectrum data of **1e**, **1j**, and **1m** can be found in Ref. 1b. The spectrum data of **1i** can be found in Ref. 1c. The spectrum data of **1k** can be found in Ref. 1d. The spectrum data of **1u** can be found in Ref. 1e. The spectrum data of **1w** and **1x** can be found in Ref. 1f.

Other cyclopropanols were prepared according to the following procedures:

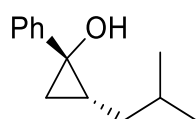


Step one: Ketone (5 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) was added to a 100 mL flame-dried round-bottomed flask at $0\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ under nitrogen. Anhydrous DCM (20 mL) was added to the flask, followed by adding Et_3N (7.5 mmol, 1.5 equiv.). Then TMSOTf (6 mmol, 1.2 equiv.) was added dropwise via syringe over 10 min. The reaction was stirred overnight, which was monitored by TLC. Upon completion, the reaction was quenched with sat. NaHCO_3 , diluted with DCM . The aqueous layer was extracted with DCM (3 x 15 ml). The combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na_2SO_4 , and concentrated in vacuum. The enol ether was used in the next step without further purification.

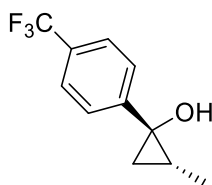
Step two: The enol ether was transferred to a 100 mL flame-dried round-bottomed flask under nitrogen. The flask was charged with anhydrous DCM (30 mL) and diiodomethane (7.5 mmol, 1.5 equiv.). The mixture was cooled to $0\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$, then neat diethyl zinc (7.5 mmol, 1M in toluene, 1.5 equiv.) was added dropwise to the reaction solution via syringe. The mixture was warmed to room temperature and stirred for 16 h. The reaction was quenched with a sat. NH_4Cl at $0\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$. The layers were separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with DCM (3 x 15 ml). The combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na_2SO_4 , and concentrated in vacuum. The crude TMS

ether was also used in the next step without further purification.

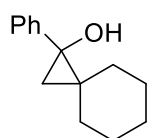
Step three: The crude TMS ether was transferred to a 100 mL flame-dried round-bottomed flask under nitrogen. The flask was charged with methanol (30 mL). A single drop of chlorotrimethylsilane was added via syringe at 0 °C, and the reaction was monitored by TLC. The reaction was completed in about 1 h, then the mixture was concentrated to dryness in vacuum and the residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel. The following cyclopropanol products were synthesized using the procedure described above:



1o: white solid, m.p. 78-79 °C. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: EtOAc/Petroleum ether = 1/20). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.36-7.28 (m, 4H), 7.24-7.18 (m, 1H), 2.11 (br, 1H), 1.80-1.69 (m, 1H), 1.64-1.49 (m, 2H), 1.27-1.14 (m, 2H), 0.98 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 0.96 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 3H), 0.88-0.84 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 145.5, 128.3, 126.1, 124.0, 59.2, 36.8, 28.7, 27.6, 23.0, 22.7, 22.5. FT-IR: ν (cm⁻¹) 2953, 2868, 1602, 1496, 1467, 1448, 1382. HRMS [ESI] calcd for C₁₃H₁₈ONa [M+Na]⁺ 213.1250, found 213.1256.



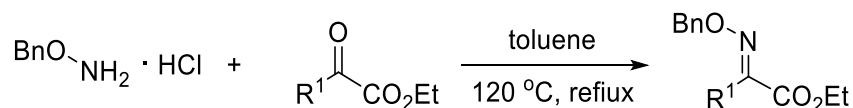
1r: white solid, m.p. 79-80 °C. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: EtOAc/Petroleum ether = 1/20). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.59-7.54 (m, 2H), 7.38-7.33 (m, 2H), 2.15 (br, 1H), 1.36-1.32 (m, 3H), 1.31-1.25 (m, 2H), 0.96-0.89 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 149.9, 128.1 (q, *J*_{C-F} = 32.1 Hz), 125.2 (q, *J*_{C-F} = 3.7 Hz), 124.3 (q, *J*_{C-F} = 270.0 Hz), 123.7, 58.7, 25.3, 24.5, 12.5; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -62.3 (s). FT-IR: ν (cm⁻¹) 3341, 1621, 1455, 1410, 1329, 1305, 1243. HRMS [EI] calcd for C₁₁H₁₁F₃O [M]⁺ 216.0757, found 216.0759.



1t: white solid, m.p. 53-54 °C. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: EtOAc/Petroleum ether = 1/20). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.43-7.38 (m, 2H), 7.36-7.31 (m, 2H), 7.28-7.23 (m, 1H), 2.26 (br, 1H), 1.86-1.57 (m, 4H), 1.53-1.39 (m, 2H), 1.34-1.24 (m, 2H), 1.07 (d, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 1H), 1.08-0.98 (m, 1H), 0.93-0.85 (m, 1H), 0.70 (d, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 141.4, 128.2, 128.0, 127.1, 65.2, 32.6, 30.8, 30.3, 26.4, 26.1, 24.9, 23.0. FT-IR: ν (cm⁻¹) 3423, 2927, 2849, 1655, 1602, 1496, 1448. HRMS [EI] calcd for C₁₄H₁₈O [M]⁺ 202.1352, found 202.1362.

3. General procedure for synthesis of oxime ethers

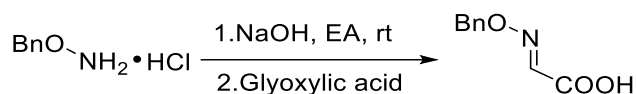
Method A



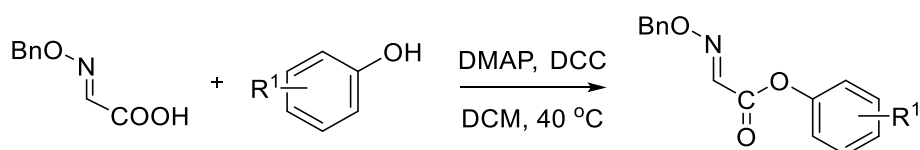
O-Benzylhydroxylamine hydrochloride (1.0 equiv.) was dissolved in toluene, glyoxylic acid ester (1.0 equiv.) was then added. The mixture was heated at refluxing temperature, until the material was consumed. The crude mixture was quenched by sat. NaHCO₃. The resulting aqueous phase was extracted with CH₂Cl₂. The combined organic extracts were washed with brine, dried over MgSO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuum. The residue was purified by column

chromatography on silica gel.

Method B

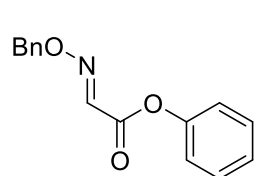


First step: O-Benzylhydroxylamine hydrochloride (1.0 equiv.) and NaOH (1.0 equiv.) was dissolved in EtOAc, glyoxylic acid (1.0 equiv.) was then added. The solution was allowed to warm to room temperature over 3 h. The reaction progress was monitored by TLC. The crude mixture was washed with brine, dried over MgSO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuum. The residue was used in the next step without further purification.



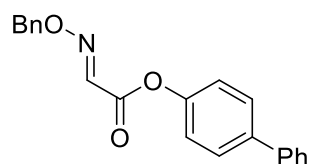
Second step: To a stirred solution of *trans*-2-((benzyloxy)imino)acetic acid (2.4 equiv.) and DCC (dicyclohexylcarbodiimide) (2 equiv.) in DCM (15 mL) were added DMAP (4-dimethylaminepyridine) (0.15 equiv.) and phenol (1.0 equiv.). The reaction mixture was stirred at 40 °C until the material was consumed. After filtration, the filtrate was concentrated in vacuum and the residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel to afford the product.

Oxime ethers **2b-f** were synthesized according to **Method B**. Oxime ether **2g** was synthesized according to **Method A**. Oxime ethers **2a** and others are known compounds, the spectrum data can be found in Ref. 2.



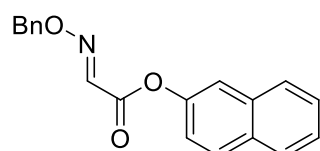
2b: white solid, m.p. 60-61 °C. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: EtOAc/Petroleum ether = 1/20). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.72 (s, 1H), 7.44-7.36 (m, 7H), 7.29-7.23 (m, 1H), 7.18-7.14 (m, 2H), 5.36 (s, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 160.4, 150.2, 140.6, 135.8, 129.6, 128.7, 128.7, 128.6, 126.3, 121.4, 78.5.

FT-IR: ν (cm⁻¹) 2963, 1763, 1600, 1589, 1484, 1455, 1363. HRMS [ESI] calcd for C₁₅H₁₄NO₃ [M+H]⁺ 256.0968, found 256.0967.



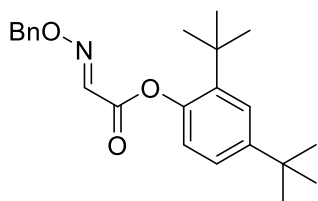
2c: yellow solid, m.p. 77-78 °C. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: EtOAc/Petroleum ether = 1/20). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.78 (s, 1H), 7.66-7.58 (m, 4H), 7.50-7.36 (m, 8H), 7.30-7.25 (m, 2H), 5.41 (s, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 160.5, 149.6, 140.6, 140.2, 139.5, 135.8, 128.8,

128.7, 128.7, 128.6, 128.3, 127.5, 127.1, 121.7, 78.5. FT-IR: ν (cm⁻¹) 2970, 1746, 1597, 1518, 1487, 1454, 1370. HRMS [ESI] calcd for C₂₁H₁₈NO₃ [M+H]⁺ 332.1281, found 332.1278.

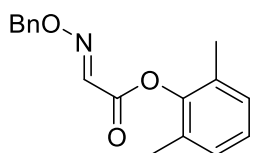


2d: yellow oil. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: EtOAc/Petroleum ether = 1/20). ¹H NMR (400

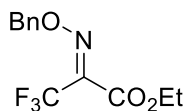
MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.96-7.89 (m, 2H), 7.89 (s, 1H), 7.80 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.57-7.52 (m, 2H), 7.51-7.37 (m, 7H), 5.44 (s, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 160.5, 146.1, 140.5, 135.9, 134.7, 128.9, 128.7, 128.1, 126.7, 126.7, 126.6, 126.5, 125.4, 121.2, 118.0, 78.6. FT-IR: ν (cm⁻¹) 2970, 1751, 1595, 1509, 1495, 1453, 1391. HRMS [ESI] calcd for C₁₉H₁₆NO₃ [M+H]⁺ 306.1125, found 306.1117.



2e: white solid, m.p. 60-61 °C. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: EtOAc/Petroleum ether = 1/20). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.73 (s, 1H), 7.44-7.35 (m, 6H), 7.24 (dd, J = 8.4, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.01 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 5.35 (s, 2H), 1.35 (s, 9H), 1.32 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 160.7, 148.6, 146.2, 140.8, 140.1, 135.9, 128.9, 128.6, 128.6, 124.2, 123.8, 122.8, 78.4, 34.7, 31.5, 30.2. FT-IR: ν (cm⁻¹) 2961, 1732, 1594, 1495, 1455, 1397, 1364. HRMS [EI] calcd for C₂₃H₂₉NO₃ [M]⁺ 367.2142, found 367.2148.



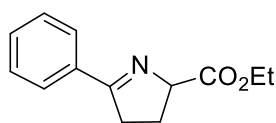
2f: white solid, m.p. 90-91 °C. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: EtOAc/Petroleum ether = 1/20). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.77 (s, 1H), 7.46-7.34 (m, 5H), 7.08 (br, 3H), 5.38 (s, 2H), 2.18 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.7, 147.7, 140.2, 135.7, 130.1, 128.8, 128.7, 128.6, 126.3, 78.5, 16.3. FT-IR: ν (cm⁻¹) 2967, 1792, 1594, 1497, 1475, 1454, 1373. HRMS [ESI] calcd for C₁₇H₁₇NO₃Na [M+Na]⁺ 306.1101, found 306.1106.



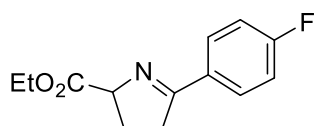
2g: Z/E ratio = 1:2.3, yellow oil. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: EtOAc/Petroleum ether = 1/20). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.42-7.32 (m, 5H, two isomers), 5.39 (s, 0.6H, one isomer), 5.30 (s, 1.4H, one isomer), 4.40-4.32 (m, 2H, two isomers), 1.39-1.30 (m, 3H, two isomers); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.3 (overlap, two isomers), 140.2 (q, J_{C-F} = 35.4 Hz) (overlap, two isomers), 135.4 (overlap, two isomers), 128.6 (overlap, two isomers), 128.6 (overlap, two isomers), 128.4 (overlap, two isomers), 118.9 (q, J_{C-F} = 272.4 Hz) (overlap, two isomers), 79.1 (overlap, two isomers), 62.8 (overlap, two isomers), 13.9 (overlap, two isomers); ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -63.6 (s) & -65.8 (s) (two isomers). FT-IR: ν (cm⁻¹) 2988, 1746, 1629, 1499, 1456, 1371, 1344, 1258. HRMS [EI] calcd for C₁₂H₁₂F₃NO₃ [M]⁺ 275.0764, found 275.0761.

4. General procedure for synthesis of products

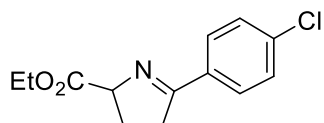
Cyclopropanol **1** (0.3 mmol, 1.5 equiv.), oxime ether **2** (0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), and MnCl₂ (0.04 mmol, 20 mol %) were loaded in a flame-dried reaction vial, which was subjected to evacuation/ flushing with nitrogen three times. HFIP (3.0 mL) was added to the mixture via syringe. Then acetylacetone (acac, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and AcOH (0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) were added to the mixture, which was stirred at room temperature until the starting material had been consumed as determined by TLC. The mixture was quenched with H₂O. The aqueous layer was extracted with DCM. The organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na₂SO₄, concentrated in vacuum, and purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: EtOAc/Petroleum ether) to give the corresponding products.



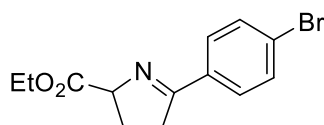
3a: 39.5 mg, 91% yield, yellow oil. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: EtOAc/Petroleum ether = 1/8). $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.89-7.84 (m, 2H), 7.47-7.36 (m, 3H), 4.92-4.85 (m, 1H), 4.23 (q, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 3.20-3.09 (m, 1H), 3.02-2.91 (m, 1H), 2.39-2.27 (m, 1H), 2.27-2.16 (m, 1H), 1.30 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 3H); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 176.1, 173.0, 133.9, 130.9, 128.4, 128.1, 74.7, 61.1, 35.5, 26.5, 14.2. FT-IR: ν (cm^{-1}) 2979, 2159, 1968, 1732, 1653, 1613, 1575, 1507, 1496, 1448. HRMS [ESI] calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{16}\text{NO}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 218.1176, found 218.1175.



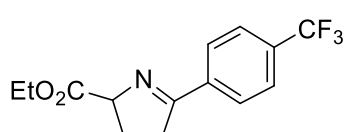
3b: 38.1 mg, 81% yield, yellow oil. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: EtOAc/Petroleum ether = 1/8). $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.91-7.84 (m, 2H), 7.13-7.04 (m, 2H), 4.92-4.85 (m, 1H), 4.23 (q, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 3.18-3.06 (m, 1H), 3.01-2.89 (m, 1H), 2.40-2.29 (m, 1H), 2.29-4.2.17 (m, 1H), 1.30 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 3H); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 174.9, 172.9, 164.5 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 249.8$ Hz), 130.2 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 8.5$ Hz), 130.2 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 4.1$ Hz), 115.5 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 21.6$ Hz), 74.6, 61.2, 35.5, 26.5, 14.2; $^{19}\text{F NMR}$ (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -109.1 (s). FT-IR: ν (cm^{-1}) 2974, 2893, 2159, 1976, 1735, 1653, 1636, 1603, 1513, 1457. HRMS [ESI] calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{14}\text{FNO}_2\text{Na}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 258.0901, found 258.0903.



3c: 46.2 mg, 92% yield, yellow oil. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: EtOAc/Petroleum ether = 1/8). $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.84-7.78 (m, 2H), 7.40-7.35 (m, 2H), 4.92-4.85 (m, 1H), 4.24 (q, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 3.17-3.06 (m, 1H), 3.00-2.89 (m, 1H), 2.41-2.29 (m, 1H), 2.29-2.18 (m, 1H), 1.31 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 3H); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 174.9, 172.8, 137.1, 132.4, 129.4, 128.7, 74.7, 61.2, 35.4, 26.5, 14.2. FT-IR: ν (cm^{-1}) 2975, 2897, 2007, 1713, 1616, 1597, 1568, 1492, 1456, 1403. HRMS [ESI] calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{14}\text{ClNO}_2\text{Na}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 274.0605, found 274.0594.

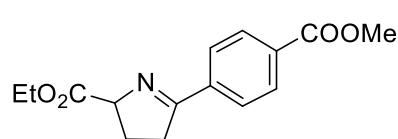


3d: 51.3 mg, 87% yield, brown oil. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: EtOAc/Petroleum ether = 1/8). $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.76-7.70 (m, 2H), 7.56-7.50 (m, 2H), 4.91-4.84 (m, 1H), 4.23 (q, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 3.16-3.06 (m, 1H), 3.00-2.89 (m, 1H), 2.40-2.29 (m, 1H), 2.29-2.17 (m, 1H), 1.30 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 3H); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 175.1, 172.8, 132.7, 131.7, 129.6, 125.6, 74.7, 61.2, 35.4, 26.5, 14.2. FT-IR: ν (cm^{-1}) 2974, 2883, 2159, 1971, 1735, 1653, 1636, 1591, 1488, 1457. HRMS [ESI] calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{14}\text{BrNO}_2\text{Na}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 318.0100, found 318.0094.

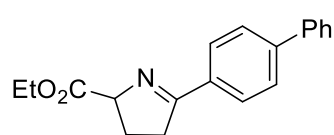


3e: 50.7 mg, 89% yield, yellow solid, m.p. 77-78 °C. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: EtOAc/Petroleum ether = 1/8). $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.01-7.95 (m, 2H), 7.68-7.63 (m, 2H), 4.96-4.89 (m, 1H), 4.24 (q, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 3.21-3.11 (m, 1H), 3.05-2.94 (m, 1H), 2.43-2.32 (m, 1H), 2.32-2.21 (m, 1H), 1.31 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 3H); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 175.0, 172.6, 137.0, 132.5 (q, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 32.1$ Hz),

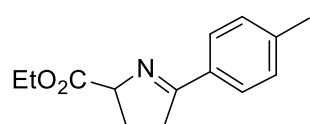
128.4, 125.4 (q, $J_{C-F} = 3.5$ Hz), 123.9 (q, $J_{C-F} = 271.0$ Hz), 74.8, 61.3, 35.5, 26.4, 14.2; ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -62.9 (s). FT-IR: ν (cm^{-1}) 2975, 2883, 2159, 2009, 1731, 1647, 1618, 1575, 1519, 1455. HRMS [ESI] calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{14}\text{F}_3\text{NO}_2\text{Na}$ [$\text{M}+\text{Na}$] $^+$ 308.0869, found 308.0869.



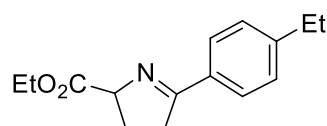
3f: 44.0 mg, 80% yield, yellow solid, m.p. 89-90 °C. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: EtOAc/Petroleum ether = 1/8). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.09-8.04 (m, 2H), 7.96-7.91 (m, 2H), 4.95-4.89 (m, 1H), 4.24 (q, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 3.92 (s, 3H), 3.22-3.11 (m, 1H), 3.05-2.94 (m, 1H), 2.42-2.31 (m, 1H), 2.31-2.20 (m, 1H), 1.31 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 175.4, 172.7, 166.6, 137.8, 132.1, 129.7, 128.0, 74.9, 61.3, 52.3, 35.6, 26.5, 14.2. FT-IR: ν (cm^{-1}) 2985, 2949, 2850, 2159, 2030, 1735, 1653, 1636, 1507, 1441. HRMS [ESI] calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{17}\text{NO}_4\text{Na}$ [$\text{M}+\text{Na}$] $^+$ 298.1050, found 298.1044.



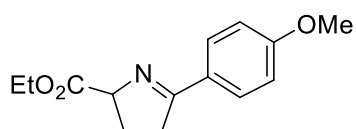
3g: 44.6 mg, 76% yield, yellow solid, m.p. 109-110 °C. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: EtOAc/Petroleum ether = 1/8). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.98-7.92 (m, 2H), 7.67-7.59 (m, 4H), 7.48-7.42 (m, 2H), 7.40-7.34 (m, 1H), 4.96-4.89 (m, 1H), 4.25 (q, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 3.24-3.13 (m, 1H), 3.06-2.96 (m, 1H), 2.43-2.33 (m, 1H), 2.33-2.20 (m, 1H), 1.32 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 175.7, 173.0, 143.6, 140.3, 132.8, 128.9, 128.6, 127.8, 127.1, 127.1, 74.7, 61.2, 35.5, 26.5, 14.3. FT-IR: ν (cm^{-1}) 3034, 2977, 2931, 2159, 1725, 1604, 1580, 1487, 1459, 1405. HRMS [ESI] calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{20}\text{NO}_2$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}$] $^+$ 294.1489, found 294.1477.



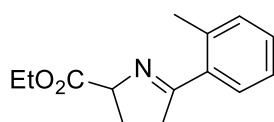
3h: 28.6 mg, 62% yield, yellow oil. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: EtOAc/Petroleum ether = 1/8). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.80-7.74 (m, 2H), 7.24-7.18 (m, 2H), 4.91-4.85 (m, 1H), 4.23 (q, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 3.19-3.08 (m, 1H), 3.01-2.91 (m, 1H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 2.37-2.28 (m, 1H), 2.27-2.16 (m, 1H), 1.31 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 175.9, 173.1, 141.2, 131.2, 129.1, 128.0, 74.6, 61.1, 35.4, 26.5, 21.5, 14.2. FT-IR: ν (cm^{-1}) 2982, 2919, 2156, 2022, 1747, 1713, 1614, 1564, 1509, 1445, 1427. HRMS [ESI] calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{18}\text{NO}_2$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}$] $^+$ 232.1332, found 232.1322.



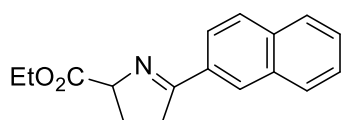
3i: 44.6 mg, 91% yield, yellow oil. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: EtOAc/Petroleum ether = 1/8). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.82-7.76 (m, 2H), 7.25-7.20 (m, 2H), 4.91-4.84 (m, 1H), 4.22 (q, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 3.18-3.08 (m, 1H), 3.01-2.90 (m, 1H), 2.67 (q, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 2.38-2.26 (m, 1H), 2.26-2.15 (m, 1H), 1.30 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 3H), 1.23 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 175.9, 173.1, 147.5, 131.4, 128.2, 127.9, 74.6, 61.1, 35.4, 28.8, 26.5, 15.4, 14.2. FT-IR: ν (cm^{-1}) 2970, 2934, 2874, 2159, 2024, 1734, 1653, 1610, 1509, 1457. HRMS [ESI] calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{19}\text{NO}_2\text{Na}$ [$\text{M}+\text{Na}$] $^+$ 268.1308, found 268.1299.



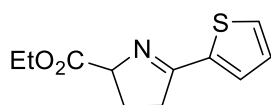
3j: 39.5 mg, 80% yield, yellow solid, m.p. 40-41 °C. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: EtOAc/Petroleum ether = 1/8). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.85-7.80 (m, 2H), 6.93-6.88 (m, 2H), 4.89-4.82 (m, 1H), 4.22 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.16-3.06 (m, 1H), 2.99-2.89 (m, 1H), 2.38-2.27 (m, 1H), 2.25-2.14 (m, 1H), 1.30 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 175.4, 173.2, 161.8, 129.8, 126.6, 113.7, 74.4, 61.1, 55.3, 35.4, 26.5, 14.2. FT-IR: ν (cm⁻¹) 3021, 2975, 2927, 2159, 2040, 1736, 1653, 1636, 1514, 1456. HRMS [ESI] calcd for C₁₄H₁₇NO₃Na [M+Na]⁺ 270.1101, found 270.1090.



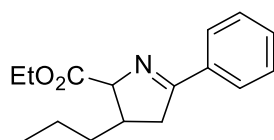
3k: 41.6 mg, 90% yield, yellow oil. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: EtOAc/Petroleum ether = 1/8). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.43 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.30-7.17 (m, 3H), 4.97-4.90 (m, 1H), 4.23 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 3.12-2.92 (m, 2H), 2.52 (s, 3H), 2.37-2.25 (m, 1H), 2.24-2.13 (m, 1H), 1.30 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 178.1, 173.0, 137.5, 134.3, 131.3, 129.4, 128.9, 125.5, 75.1, 61.0, 38.8, 26.5, 21.4, 14.2. FT-IR: ν (cm⁻¹) 2975, 2929, 2893, 2159, 1976, 1735, 1653, 1636, 1507, 1457. HRMS [ESI] calcd for C₁₄H₁₈NO₂ [M+H]⁺ 232.1332, found 232.1322.



3l: 25.6 mg, 48% yield, yellow solid, m.p. 86-87 °C. Purification by flash column chromatography (eluent: EtOAc/Petroleum ether = 1/8). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.22 (s, 1H), 8.12 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.91-7.83 (m, 3H), 7.56-7.48 (m, 2H), 4.99-4.93 (m, 1H), 4.26 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 3.33-3.23 (m, 1H), 3.15-3.05 (m, 1H), 2.45-2.34 (m, 1H), 2.34-2.23 (m, 1H), 1.33 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 176.0, 173.0, 134.6, 132.9, 131.4, 128.8, 128.8, 128.2, 127.8, 127.3, 126.5, 124.8, 74.8, 61.2, 35.5, 26.6, 14.3. FT-IR: ν (cm⁻¹) 2979, 2935, 2159, 1969, 1733, 1653, 1609, 1572, 1487, 1455. HRMS [ESI] calcd for C₁₇H₁₇NO₂Na [M+Na]⁺ 290.1151, found 290.1160.

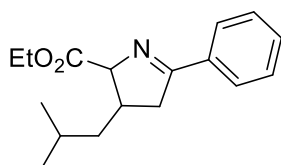


3m: 28.6 mg, 64% yield, yellow oil, Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: EtOAc/Petroleum ether = 1/8). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.46 (d, *J* = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 7.12-7.05 (m, 1H), 4.91-4.83 (m, 1H), 4.23 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 3.20-3.09 (m, 1H), 3.05-2.93 (m, 1H), 2.41-2.19 (m, 2H), 1.30 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 172.8, 170.4, 138.6, 130.2, 130.0, 127.5, 74.4, 61.1, 36.1, 26.9, 14.2. FT-IR: ν (cm⁻¹) 3068, 2978, 2920, 2850, 1734, 1660, 1632, 1608, 1522, 1469, 1454. HRMS [ESI] calcd for C₁₁H₁₄NO₂S [M+H]⁺ 224.0740, found 224.0742.

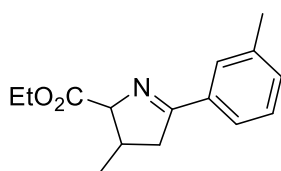


3n: *d.r.* = 1:2.3, 45.6 mg, 88% yield, yellow oil. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: EtOAc/Petroleum ether = 1/8). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.90-7.84 (m, 2H, two isomers), 7.48-7.37 (m, 3H, two isomers), 4.93 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 0.3H, one isomer), 4.53-4.49 (m, 0.7H, one isomer), 4.27-4.19 (m, 2H, two isomers), 3.35-3.25 (m, 0.7H, one isomer), 3.15-3.05 (m, 0.3H, one isomer), 2.84-2.56 (m, 2H, two isomers), 1.68-1.58 (m, 1H, two isomers),

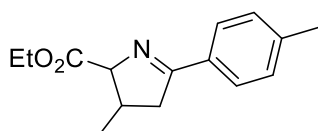
1.54-1.34 (m, 3H, two isomers), 1.34-1.26 (m, 3H, two isomers), 0.98-0.90 (m, 3H, two isomers); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 177.0 & 175.6 (two isomers), 172.9 & 171.2 (two isomers), 134.1 & 134.0 (two isomers), 131.0 & 130.9 (two isomers), 128.5 & 128.4 (two isomers), 128.0 (overlap, two isomers), 80.0 & 76.9 (two isomers), 61.1 & 60.7 (two isomers), 41.8 & 40.5 (two isomers), 41.2 & 41.2 (two isomers), 37.2 & 32.5 (two isomers), 21.9 & 21.1 (two isomers), 14.3 & 14.2 (two isomers). 14.1 & 14.0 (two isomers). FT-IR: ν (cm^{-1}) 2974, 2929, 2160, 1977, 1735, 1653, 1636, 1577, 1507, 1457. HRMS [ESI] calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{21}\text{NO}_2\text{Na}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 282.1465, found 282.1454.



3o: *d.r.* = 1:2.3, 50.8 mg, 93% yield, yellow oil. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: EtOAc/Petroleum ether = 1/8). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.89-7.84 (m, 2H, two isomers), 7.49-7.37 (m, 3H, two isomers), 4.95-4.89 (m, 0.3H, one isomer), 4.52-4.46 (m, 0.7H, one isomer), 4.29-4.16 (m, 2H, two isomers), 3.36-3.24 (m, 0.7H, one isomer), 3.15-3.04 (m, 0.3H, one isomer), 2.84-2.59 (m, 2H, two isomers), 1.74-1.60 (m, 1.3H, two isomers), 1.56-1.47 (m, 0.7H, one isomer), 1.41-1.33 (m, 1H, two isomers), 1.31 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H, two isomers), 0.97-0.90 (m, 6H, two isomers); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 177.1 & 175.5 (two isomers), 172.9 & 171.2 (two isomers), 134.2 & 134.0 (two isomers), 130.9 & 130.9 (two isomers), 128.4 & 128.4 (two isomers), 128.0 & 127.9 (two isomers), 81.3 & 77.1 (two isomers), 61.0 & 60.7 (two isomers), 44.4 & 42.1 (two isomers), 40.6 & 39.5 (two isomers), 39.3 & 39.3 (two isomers), 27.1 & 26.6 (two isomers), 23.4 & 22.9 (two isomers), 22.3 & 21.9 (two isomers), 14.3 & 14.2 (two isomers). FT-IR: ν (cm^{-1}) 2974, 2928, 2893, 2159, 1969, 1735, 1653, 1636, 1512, 1507, 1457. HRMS [ESI] calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{23}\text{NO}_2\text{Na}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 296.1621, found 296.1624.

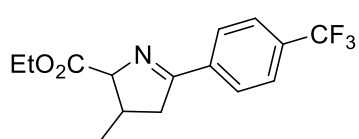


3p: *d.r.* = 1:1.5, 42.6 mg, 87% yield, yellow oil. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: EtOAc/Petroleum ether = 1/8). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.78-7.73 (m, 1H, two isomers), 7.64-7.58 (m, 1H, two isomers), 7.33-7.24 (m, 2H, two isomers), 4.86 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 0.6H, one isomer), 4.45-4.41 (m, 0.4H, one isomer), 4.32-4.15 (m, 2H, two isomers), 3.36-3.27 (m, 0.4H, one isomer), 3.17-3.08 (m, 0.6H, one isomer), 2.92-2.82 (m, 0.6H, one isomer), 2.80-2.72 (m, 0.6H, one isomer), 2.72-2.57 (m, 0.8H, two isomers), 2.38 (s, 3H, two isomers), 1.34-1.27 (m, 3H, two isomers), 1.24 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 1.2H, one isomer), 1.05 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 1.8H, one isomer); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 176.5 & 175.8 (two isomers), 172.8 & 171.3 (two isomers), 138.1 (overlap, two isomers), 134.0 & 133.9 (two isomers), 131.7 (overlap, two isomers), 128.4 & 128.4 (two isomers), 128.3 (overlap, two isomers), 125.2 & 125.2 (two isomers), 81.4 (overlap, two isomers), 61.0 & 60.7 (two isomers), 43.7 & 43.1 (two isomers), 36.2 & 35.0 (two isomers), 21.3 & 20.0 (two isomers), 15.8 (overlap, two isomers), 14.4 & 14.3 (two isomers). FT-IR: ν (cm^{-1}) 2974, 2929, 2893, 2159, 1976, 1735, 1653, 1636, 1617, 1507, 1457. HRMS [ESI] calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{19}\text{NO}_2\text{Na}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 268.1308, found 268.1310.

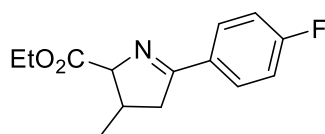


3q: *d.r.* = 1:1.5, 31.3 mg, 64% yield, yellow oil. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: EtOAc/Petroleum ether = 1/8). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ

7.78-7.72 (m, 2H, two isomers), 7.23-7.18 (m, 2H, two isomers), 4.88-4.83 (m, 0.4H, one isomer), 4.44-4.40 (m, 0.6H, one isomer), 4.32-4.15 (m, 2H, two isomers), 3.30 (ddd, $J = 16.4, 8.0, 1.6$ Hz, 0.6H, one isomer), 3.11 (ddd, $J = 16.0, 8.0, 1.2$ Hz, 0.4H, one isomer), 2.91-2.79 (m, 0.4H, one isomer), 2.78-2.70 (m, 0.4H, one isomer), 2.70-2.63 (m, 0.6H, one isomer), 2.63-2.55 (m, 0.6H, one isomer), 2.38 (s, 3H, two isomers), 1.30 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1.8H, one isomer), 1.29 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1.2H, one isomer), 1.23 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 1.8H, one isomer), 1.05 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 1.2H, one isomer); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 176.1 & 175.4 (two isomers), 172.8 & 171.4 (two isomers), 141.2 (overlap, two isomers), 131.5 & 131.4 (two isomers), 129.1 (overlap, two isomers), 128.0 & 127.9 (two isomers), 81.3 & 77.4 (two isomers), 61.0 & 60.6 (two isomers), 43.6 & 43.1 (two isomers), 36.2 & 35.0 (two isomers), 21.5 & 20.0 (two isomers), 15.8 (overlap, two isomers), 14.4 & 14.2 (two isomers). FT-IR: ν (cm^{-1}) 2974, 2928, 2893, 2159, 1969, 1735, 1653, 1636, 1512, 1507, 1457. HRMS [ESI] calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{19}\text{NO}_2\text{Na}$ [$\text{M}+\text{Na}$] $^+$ 268.1308, found 268.1304.

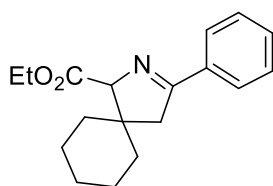


3r: *d.r.* = 1:1.5, 51.4 mg, 86% yield, yellow oil. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: EtOAc/Petroleum ether = 1/8). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.00-7.95 (m, 2H, two isomers), 7.70-7.64 (m, 2H, two isomers), 4.93-4.89 (m, 0.4H, one isomer), 4.49-4.45 (m, 0.6H, one isomer), 4.32-4.17 (m, 2H, two isomers), 3.33 (ddd, $J = 16.8, 8.8, 2.0$ Hz, 0.6H, one isomer), 3.15 (ddd, $J = 16.8, 8.4, 1.6$ Hz, 0.4H, one isomer), 2.97-2.85 (m, 0.4H, one isomer), 2.81-2.74 (m, 0.4H, one isomer), 2.74-2.67 (m, 0.6H, one isomer), 2.67-2.59 (m, 0.6H, one isomer), 1.32 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1.8H, one isomer), 1.31 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1.2H, one isomer), 1.26 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 1.8H, one isomer), 1.07 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1.2H, one isomer); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 175.2 & 174.4 (two isomers), 172.4 & 170.9 (two isomers), 137.2 & 137.2 (two isomers), 132.5 (q, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 32.2$ Hz) (overlap, two isomers), 128.3 & 128.3 (two isomers), 125.4 (q, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 3.6$ Hz) (overlap, two isomers), 123.9 (q, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 270.7$ Hz) (overlap, two isomers), 81.5 & 77.6 (two isomers), 61.2 & 60.8 (two isomers), 43.7 & 43.1 (two isomers), 36.3 & 35.1 (two isomers), 19.9 & 15.7 (two isomers), 14.3 & 14.2 (two isomers); ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -62.9 (s) (overlap, two isomers). FT-IR: ν (cm^{-1}) 2973, 2927, 2881, 2161, 2023, 1743, 1713, 1618, 1413, 1374. HRMS [ESI] calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{17}\text{F}_3\text{NO}_2$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}$] $^+$ 300.1206, found 300.1207.

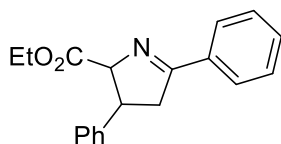


3s: *d.r.* = 1:1, 43.3 mg, 87% yield, yellow oil. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: EtOAc/Petroleum ether = 1/8). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.90-7.82 (m, 2H, two isomers), 7.12-7.04 (m, 2H, two isomers), 4.88-4.83 (m, 0.5H, one isomer), 4.44-4.39 (m, 0.5H, one isomer), 4.30-4.15 (m, 2H, two isomers), 3.29 (ddd, $J = 16.8, 8.8, 2.0$ Hz, 0.5H, one isomer), 3.10 (ddd, $J = 16.4, 8.4, 1.2$ Hz, 0.5H, one isomer), 2.92-2.80 (m, 0.5H, one isomer), 2.77-2.62 (m, 1H, two isomers), 2.62-2.54 (m, 0.5H, one isomer), 1.30 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1.5H, one isomer), 1.29 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1.5H, one isomer), 1.24 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 1.5H, one isomer), 1.05 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 1.5H, one isomer); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 175.0 & 174.3 (two isomers), 172.7 & 171.2 (two isomers), 164.5 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 249.5$ Hz) & 164.5 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 249.9$ Hz) (two isomers), 130.4 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 3.1$ Hz) & 130.3 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 3.2$ Hz) (two isomers), 130.1 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 8.5$ Hz) & 130.0 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 8.7$ Hz) (two isomers), 115.5 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 21.7$ Hz) (overlap, two isomers), 81.3 & 77.4 (two isomers), 61.1 & 60.7 (two isomers), 43.6 & 43.1 (two isomers), 36.4 & 35.2

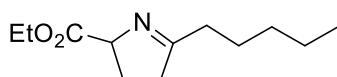
(two isomers), 19.9 & 15.8 (two isomers), 14.4 & 14.2 (two isomers); ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -109.2 (s) & -109.2 (s) (two isomers). FT-IR: ν (cm^{-1}) 2976, 2936, 2159, 1975, 1774, 1653, 1636, 1603, 1510, 1457. HRMS [EI] calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{16}\text{FNO}_2$ [M] $^+$ 249.1160, found 249.1159.



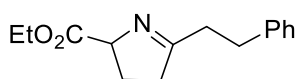
3t: 14.2 mg, 25% yield, yellow oil. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: EtOAc/Petroleum ether = 1/8). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.91-7.85 (m, 2H), 7.48-7.38 (m, 3H), 4.55 (s, 1H), 4.29-4.15 (m, 2H), 2.99 (d, J = 16.8 Hz, 1H), 2.86 (d, J = 16.8 Hz, 1H), 1.72-1.47 (m, 7H), 1.46-1.35 (m, 3H), 1.30 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 175.7, 171.2, 134.4, 130.9, 128.4, 127.9, 83.5, 60.7, 46.7, 45.7, 37.5, 32.5, 25.8, 23.7, 23.4, 14.4. FT-IR: ν (cm^{-1}) 2970, 2929, 2894, 2159, 1976, 1734, 1653, 1636, 1576, 1507, 1456. HRMS [ESI] calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{23}\text{NO}_2\text{Na}$ [$\text{M}+\text{Na}$] $^+$ 308.1621, found 308.1628.



3u: *d.r.* = 1:2.3, 31.1 mg, 53% yield, yellow oil. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: EtOAc/Petroleum ether = 1/8). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.99-7.95 (m, 1.4H, one isomer), 7.94-7.90 (m, 0.6H, one isomer), 7.52-7.42 (m, 3H, two isomers), 7.35-7.29 (m, 1H, two isomers), 7.25-7.22 (m, 2H, two isomers), 7.21-7.17 (m, 2H, two isomers), 5.25-5.20 (m, 0.7H, one isomer), 4.96-4.92 (m, 0.3H, one isomer), 4.29-4.21 (m, 0.6H, one isomer), 4.02 (q, J = 8.4 Hz, 0.7H, one isomer), 3.92-3.77 (m, 1H, two isomers), 3.74-3.62 (m, 1H, two isomers), 3.46-3.41 (m, 1.4H, one isomer), 3.18 (ddd, J = 17.2, 6.4, 1.2 Hz, 0.3H, one isomer), 1.30 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 0.9H, one isomer), 0.85 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2.1H, one isomer); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 176.3 & 175.0 (two isomers), 172.2 & 170.4 (overlap, two isomers), 143.3 & 139.9 (two isomers), 133.8 & 133.6 (two isomers), 131.2 & 131.2 (two isomers), 128.9 & 128.6 (two isomers), 128.5 & 128.3 (two isomers), 128.1 (overlap, two isomers), 127.8 & 127.1 (two isomers), 127.1 & 126.9 (two isomers), 82.7 & 79.2 (two isomers), 61.3 & 60.5 (two isomers), 46.6 & 46.4 (two isomers), 44.7 & 42.1 (two isomers), 14.2 & 13.7 (two isomers). FT-IR: ν (cm^{-1}) 3058, 2973, 2929, 2159, 1977, 1734, 1653, 1636, 1576, 1507, 1456. HRMS [ESI] calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{19}\text{NO}_2\text{Na}$ [$\text{M}+\text{Na}$] $^+$ 316.1308, found 316.1304.

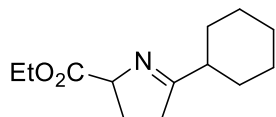


3v: 32.1 mg, 76% yield, yellow oil. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: EtOAc/Petroleum ether = 1/8). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 4.66-4.59 (m, 1H), 4.18 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.68-2.58 (m, 1H), 2.54-2.44 (m, 1H), 2.40-2.34 (m, 2H), 2.20-2.10 (m, 1H), 2.07-1.97 (m, 1H), 1.63-1.54 (m, 2H), 1.33-1.24 (m, 4H), 1.26 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 0.89-0.84 (m, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 182.1, 173.2, 74.0, 60.9, 37.5, 33.8, 31.6, 26.4, 26.1, 22.4, 14.2, 14.0. FT-IR: ν (cm^{-1}) 2973, 2931, 2159, 2029, 1737, 1670, 1638, 1559, 1507, 1457. HRMS [ESI] calcd for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{21}\text{NO}_2\text{Na}$ [$\text{M}+\text{Na}$] $^+$ 234.1465, found 234.1475.

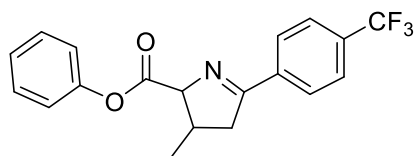


3w: 42.1 mg, 86% yield, yellow oil. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: EtOAc/Petroleum ether = 1/1). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.31-7.25 (m, 2H), 7.23-7.16 (m, 3H), 4.72-4.63 (m, 1H), 4.21 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 3.01-2.91 (m, 2H), 2.76-2.58 (m, 3H), 2.56-2.43 (m,

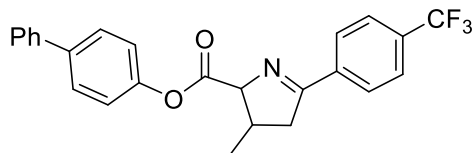
1H), 2.24-2.11 (m, 1H), 2.10-1.99 (m, 1H), 1.29 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 181.4, 173.0, 141.1, 128.5, 128.3, 126.1, 73.9, 61.0, 38.1, 35.3, 32.6, 26.3, 14.2. FT-IR: ν (cm^{-1}) 3027, 2980, 2957, 2930, 2872, 1734, 1640, 1604, 1454. HRMS [EI] calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{19}\text{NO}_2$ [M] $^+$ 245.1410, found 245.1412.



3x: 38.8 mg, 87% yield, yellow oil. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: EtOAc/Petroleum ether = 1/2). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 4.66-4.58 (m, 1H), 4.17 (q, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 2.70-2.58 (m, 1H), 2.56-2.32 (m, 2H), 2.19-2.06 (m, 1H), 2.05-1.93 (m, 1H), 1.90-1.62 (m, 5H), 1.42-1.22 (m, 5H), 1.26 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 185.6, 173.2, 73.7, 60.9, 42.5, 35.3, 30.4, 30.4, 26.1, 26.0, 25.9, 14.2. FT-IR: ν (cm^{-1}) 2979, 2928, 2854, 1735, 1633, 1449, 1429. HRMS [EI] calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{21}\text{NO}_2$ [M] $^+$ 223.1567, found 223.1568.

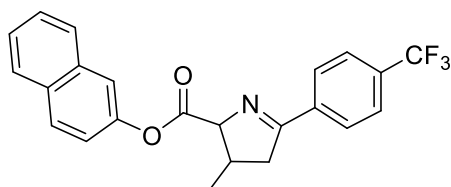


3y: *d.r.* = 1:6.7, 27.8 mg, 40% yield, yellow oil. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: Acetone/Petroleum ether = 1/5). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.05-7.97 (m, 2H, two isomers), 7.74-7.66 (m, 2H, two isomers), 7.44-7.34 (m, 2H, two isomers), 7.25-7.21 (m, 1H, two isomers), 7.19-7.12 (m, 2H, two isomers), 5.17 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 0.13H, one isomer), 4.74 (d, 0.87H, $J = 6.0$ Hz, one isomer), 3.47-3.36 (m, 0.87H, one isomer), 3.29-3.20 (m, 0.13H, one isomer), 3.13-3.01 (m, 0.13H, one isomer), 2.96-2.82 (m, 1H, two isomers), 2.78-2.68 (m, 0.87H, one isomer), 1.37 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 2.61H, one isomer), 1.26 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 0.39H, one isomer); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 175.7 & 175.0 (two isomers), 170.8 & 169.4 (two isomers), 150.6 & 150.5 (two isomers), 137.1 & 137.1 (two isomers), 132.7 (q, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 32.2$ Hz) (overlap, two isomers), 129.5 & 129.5 (two isomers), 128.4 & 128.3 (two isomers), 126.0 (overlap, two isomers), 125.5 (q, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 3.6$ Hz) (overlap, two isomers), 123.9 (q, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 270.8$ Hz) (overlap, two isomers), 121.5 & 121.5 (two isomers), 81.4 & 77.5 (two isomers), 43.8 & 43.3 (two isomers), 36.6 & 35.5 (two isomers), 20.0 & 16.0 (two isomers); ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -62.9 (s) (overlap, two isomers). FT-IR: ν (cm^{-1}) 2965, 1760, 1695, 1618, 1593, 1575, 1493, 1458, 1432, 1411. HRMS [EI] calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{16}\text{F}_3\text{NO}_2$ [M] $^+$ 347.1128, found 347.1134.



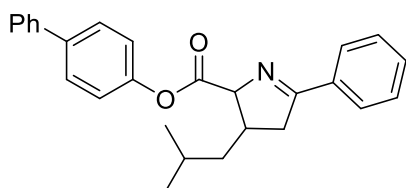
3z: *d.r.* = 1:3.2, 28.8 mg, 34% yield, yellow oil. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: Acetone/Petroleum ether = 1/5). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.05-8.00 (m, 2H, two isomers), 7.74-7.68 (m, 2H, two isomers), 7.63-7.54 (m, 4H, two isomers), 7.47-7.41 (m, 2H, two isomers), 7.39-7.32 (m, 1H, two isomers), 7.26-7.20 (m, 2H, two isomers), 5.20 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 0.24H, one isomer), 4.76 (d, $J = 5.6$ Hz, 0.76H, one isomer), 3.48-3.38 (m, 0.76H, one isomer), 3.31-3.22 (m, 0.24H, one isomer), 3.14-3.05 (m, 0.24H, one isomer), 2.97-2.83 (m, 1H, two isomers), 2.79-2.70 (m, 0.76H, one isomer), 1.39 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 2.28H, one isomer), 1.29 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 0.72H, one isomer); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 175.7 & 175.1 (two isomers), 170.9 & 169.5 (two isomers), 150.1 & 149.9 (two isomers), 140.3 (overlap, two isomers), 139.2 & 139.2 (two isomers), 137.1 & 137.0 (two isomers), 132.7 (q, $J_{\text{C-F}}$

= 32.1 Hz) (overlap, two isomers), 128.8 (overlap, two isomers), 128.4 & 128.3 (two isomers), 128.2 & 128.2 (two isomers), 127.4 (overlap, two isomers), 127.1 (overlap, two isomers), 125.5 (q, $J_{C-F} = 3.6$ Hz) (overlap, two isomers), 123.9 (q, $J_{C-F} = 270.7$ Hz) (overlap, two isomers), 121.8 & 121.7 (two isomers), 81.4 & 77.5 (two isomers), 43.8 & 43.3 (two isomers), 36.7 & 35.5 (two isomers), 20.0 & 16.1 (two isomers); ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -62.3 (s) & -62.9 (s) (two isomers). FT-IR: ν (cm^{-1}) 3263, 3077, 2972, 2893, 1982, 1733, 1676, 1646, 1597, 1450. HRMS [EI] calcd for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{20}\text{F}_3\text{NO}_2$ [M] $^+$ 423.1441, found 423.1440.



3aa: *d.r.* = 1:4, 31.8 mg, 40% yield, yellow oil. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: Acetone/Petroleum ether = 1/5). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.10-8.03 (m, 2H, two isomers), 7.99-7.94 (m, 1H, two isomers), 7.91-7.84 (m, 1H, two isomers),

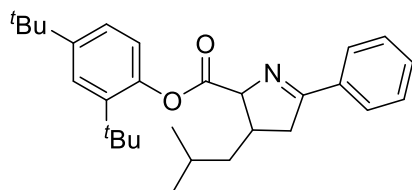
7.78-7.68 (m, 3H, two isomers), 7.57-7.49 (m, 3H, two isomers), 7.36-7.31 (m, 1H, two isomers), 5.35 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 0.2H, one isomer), 4.93 (d, $J = 5.6$ Hz, 0.8H, one isomer), 3.53-3.42 (m, 0.8H, one isomer), 3.35-3.25 (m, 0.2H, one isomer), 3.21-3.12 (m, 0.2H, one isomer), 3.11-3.01 (m, 0.8H, one isomer), 2.97-2.88 (m, 0.2H, one isomer), 2.84-2.74 (m, 0.8H, one isomer), 1.44 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 2.4H, one isomer), 1.36 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 0.6H, one isomer); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 175.9 & 175.1 (two isomers), 170.8 & 169.4 (two isomers), 146.5 & 146.4 (two isomers), 137.2 & 137.1 (two isomers), 134.7 (overlap, two isomers), 132.7 (q, $J_{C-F} = 32.5$ Hz) (overlap, two isomers), 128.4 & 128.4 (two isomers), 128.1 & 128.0 (two isomers), 126.7 & 126.7 (two isomers), 126.6 (overlap, two isomers), 126.5 (overlap, two isomers), 126.2 & 126.1 (two isomers), 125.5 (q, $J_{C-F} = 3.7$ Hz) (overlap, two isomers), 125.4 & 125.3 (two isomers), 123.9 (q, $J_{C-F} = 272.4$ Hz) (overlap, two isomers), 121.3 & 121.1 (two isomers), 118.0 & 117.9 (two isomers), 81.7 & 77.8 (two isomers), 43.9 & 43.4 (two isomers), 36.5 & 35.6 (two isomers), 20.1 & 16.1 (two isomers); ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -62.9 (s) & -63.2 (s) (two isomers). FT-IR: ν (cm^{-1}) 3065, 2964, 2930, 1760, 1617, 1600, 1575, 1509, 1460, 1410. HRMS [EI] calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{18}\text{F}_3\text{NO}_2$ [M] $^+$ 397.1284, found 397.1296.



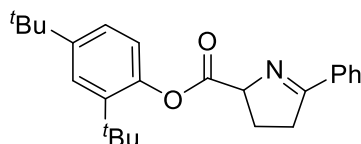
3ab: *d.r.* = 1:4, 41.3 mg, 52% yield, yellow oil. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: EtOAc/Petroleum ether = 1/6). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.93-7.88 (m, 2H, two isomers), 7.61-7.53 (m, 4H, two isomers), 7.46-7.39 (m, 5H, two isomers), 7.36-7.31 (m, 1H,

two isomers), 7.25-7.20 (m, 2H, two isomers), 5.21-5.17 (m, 0.2H, one isomer), 4.79-4.75 (m, 0.8H, one isomer), 3.39 (ddd, $J = 16.8, 8.8, 1.6$ Hz, 0.8H, one isomer), 3.22-3.15 (m, 0.2H, one isomer), 2.94-2.84 (m, 1H, two isomers), 2.78-2.59 (m, 1H, two isomers), 1.82-1.73 (m, 1H, two isomers), 1.69-1.60 (m, 1H, two isomers), 1.54-1.45 (m, 1H, two isomers), 1.03-0.93 (m, 6H, two isomers); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 177.8 & 176.2 (two isomers), 171.5 & 169.8 (two isomers), 150.2 & 150.0 (two isomers), 140.4 & 140.3 (two isomers), 139.1 & 139.1 (two isomers), 133.8 & 133.5 (two isomers), 131.2 & 131.1 (two isomers), 128.8 & 128.7 (two isomers), 128.5 & 128.4 (two isomers), 128.2 & 128.2 (two isomers), 128.1 & 128.0 (two isomers), 128.0 (overlap, two isomers), 127.4 & 127.1 (two isomers), 121.8 & 121.8 (two isomers), 80.1 & 77.0 (two isomers), 44.5 (overlap, two isomers), 42.2 & 40.7 (two isomers), 39.8

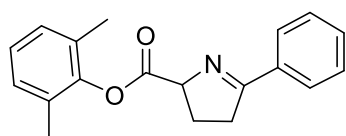
& 39.6 (two isomers), 27.1 & 26.7 (two isomers), 23.5 & 22.9 (two isomers), 22.4 & 21.9 (two isomers). FT-IR: ν (cm⁻¹) 3060, 2955, 2870, 1759, 1683, 1613, 1576, 1516, 1449, 1428. HRMS [ESI] calcd for C₂₇H₂₈NO₂ [M+H]⁺ 398.2115, found 398.2115.



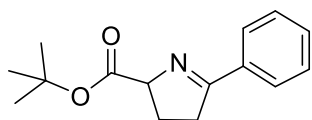
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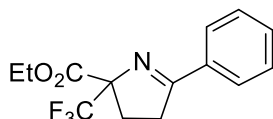
3ad: 64.1 mg, 85% yield, yellow solid, m.p. 88-89 °C. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: EtOAc/Petroleum ether = 1/8). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.96-7.91 (m, 2H), 7.48-7.41 (m, 3H), 7.40 (d, *J* = 2.4, 1H), 7.23 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.98 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 5.24-5.16 (m, 1H), 3.26-3.05 (m, 2H), 2.57-2.39 (m, 2H), 1.36 (s, 9H), 1.32 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 176.4, 171.5, 148.2, 146.9, 140.1, 133.8, 131.1, 128.5, 128.1, 124.1, 123.8, 122.9, 75.1, 35.5, 34.7, 34.7, 31.5, 30.2, 26.5. FT-IR: ν (cm⁻¹) 2997, 2964, 2870, 2159, 1976, 1718, 1653, 1636, 1609, 1507, 1445. HRMS [ESI] calcd for C₂₅H₃₂NO₂ [M+H]⁺ 378.2428, found 378.2419.



3ae: 51.0 mg, 87% yield, yellow solid, m.p. 64-65 °C. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: EtOAc/Petroleum ether = 1/8). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.96-7.91 (m, 2H), 7.51-7.41 (m, 3H), 7.09-7.01 (m, 3H), 5.27-5.20 (m, 1H), 3.29-3.06 (m, 2H), 2.57-2.42 (m, 2H), 2.19 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 176.4, 170.5, 148.1, 133.8, 131.1, 130.2, 128.6, 128.5, 128.1, 125.9, 74.7, 35.6, 26.5, 16.4. FT-IR: ν (cm⁻¹) 3026, 2921, 2852, 1981, 1747, 1618, 1574, 1494, 1471, 1450. HRMS [ESI] calcd for C₁₉H₁₉NO₂Na [M+Na]⁺ 316.1308, found 316.1294.



3af: 46.6 mg, 95% yield, yellow solid, m.p. 42-43 °C. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: EtOAc/Petroleum ether = 1/8). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.90-7.85 (m, 2H), 7.44-7.37 (m, 3H), 4.84-4.78 (m, 1H), 3.17-3.06 (m, 1H), 3.02-2.91 (m, 1H), 2.37-2.26 (m, 1H), 2.21-2.10 (m, 1H), 1.49 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 175.9, 172.3, 134.0, 130.8, 128.4, 128.0, 81.2, 75.3, 35.4, 28.1, 26.7. FT-IR: ν (cm⁻¹) 2980, 2928, 2159, 2031, 1727, 1653, 1636, 1604, 1507, 1447. HRMS [ESI] calcd for C₁₅H₁₉NO₂Na [M+Na]⁺ 268.1308, found 268.1300.



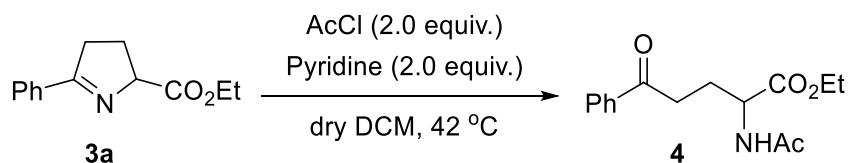
3ag: 52.5 mg, 92% yield, yellow oil. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: EtOAc/Petroleum ether = 1/8). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.95-7.91 (m, 2H), 7.54-7.48 (m, 1H), 7.47-7.41 (m, 2H), 4.29 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 3.21 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.64-2.54 (m, 1H), 2.51-2.41 (m, 1H), 1.31 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 179.9, 167.9, 132.9, 131.8, 128.6, 128.5, 124.6 (q, *J*_{C-F} = 280.8 Hz), 85.3 (q, *J*_{C-F} = 26.9 Hz), 62.4, 36.0, 28.0 (q, *J*_{C-F} = 1.1 Hz), 14.0; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -74.7 (s). FT-IR: ν (cm⁻¹) 3006, 2921, 2849, 2158, 1965, 1714, 1658, 1613, 1604, 1502, 1424. HRMS [EI] calcd for C₁₄H₁₄F₃NO₂ [M]⁺ 285.0971, found 285.0976.

5. Gram-scale reaction



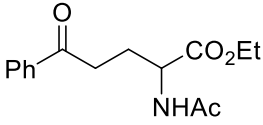
Cyclopropanol **1b** (3.0 mmol, 1.5 equiv.), oxime ether **2a** (2.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), and MnCl₂ (0.4 mmol, 20 mol %) were loaded in a flame-dried reaction vial, which was subjected to evacuation/ flushing with nitrogen three times. HFIP (40 mL) was added to the mixture via syringe. Then acetylacetone (acac, 2.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and AcOH (2.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) were added to the mixture, which was stirred at room temperature for 14 h. The mixture was quenched with H₂O. The aqueous layer was extracted with DCM. The organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na₂SO₄, concentrated in vacuum, and purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: EtOAc/Petroleum ether) to give the corresponding product **3b** (0.376 g, 78% yield).

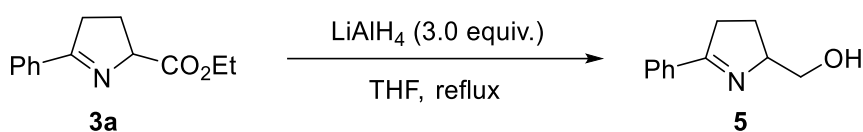
6. Transformation of compound 3a



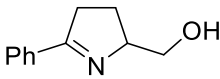
Under argon atmosphere, to a stirred solution of **3a** (33.0 mg, 0.15 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in dry DCM (1.5 ml) was added fresh acetyl chloride (0.45 mmol, 35.3 mg, 32.0 μl, 3.0 equiv.) and pyridine (0.3 mmol, 23.7 mg, 24.2 μl, 2.0 equiv.) dropwise, The reaction mixture was stirred at 42

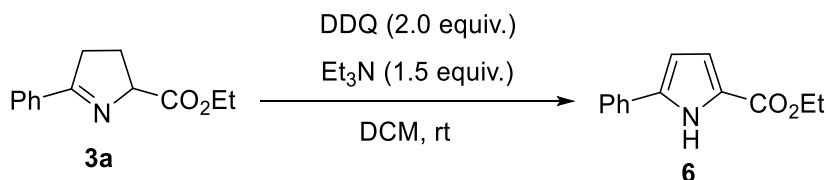
°C. Upon reaction completion, the mixture was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel to afford the compound **4**.

**4**: 26.2 mg, 63% yield, yellow solid, m.p. 100-101 °C. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: EtOAc/Petroleum ether = 1/5). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.96-7.90 (m, 2H), 7.60-7.53 (m, 1H), 7.49-7.42 (m, 2H), 6.31 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.68-4.60 (m, 1H), 4.25-4.14 (m, 2H), 3.19-2.99 (m, 2H), 2.37-2.26 (m, 1H), 2.20-2.08 (m, 1H), 1.99 (s, 3H), 1.26 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.2, 172.2, 170.1, 136.6, 133.3, 128.7, 128.0, 61.7, 52.0, 34.7, 26.7, 23.2, 14.1. FT-IR: ν (cm⁻¹) 3265, 3078, 2972, 2941, 2893, 1732, 1677, 1646, 1597, 1450. HRMS [ESI] calcd for C₁₅H₁₉NO₄Na [M+Na]⁺ 300.1206, found 300.1213.



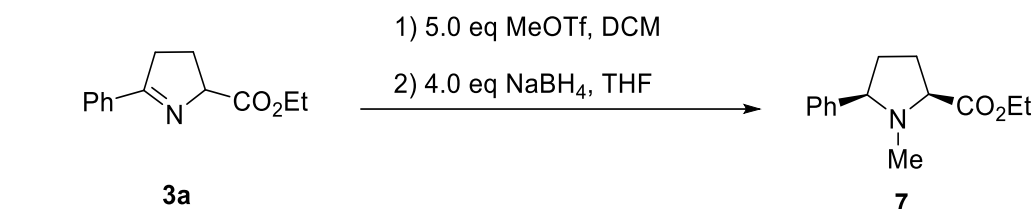
A screw-cap vial under N₂ was charged with **3a** (0.15 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and dry THF (2.0 mL). At 0 °C, the solution of LiAlH₄ (0.45 mmol, 3.0 equiv.) in dry THF (2.0 mL) was added to the vial in small portions and the mixture was allowed to react at refluxing temperature. After stirring for 4 h, the reaction mixture was cooled to r.t. and quenched by saturated aq. NH₄Cl, the mixture was extracted with EtOAc for three times. Then the organic phase was combined and dried over anhydrous MgSO₄. The solvent was removed under vacuum and the residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel to provide the product **5**.

**5**: 23.6 mg, 90% yield, brown oil. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: EtOAc/Petroleum ether = 1/1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.81-7.75 (m, 2H), 7.47-7.35 (m, 3H), 4.40-4.31 (m, 1H), 4.02 (dd, *J* = 11.2, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 3.68-3.60 (m, 1H), 3.09-2.98 (m, 1H), 2.95-2.83 (m, 1H), 2.83 (br, 1H), 2.19-2.07 (m, 1H), 1.90-1.75 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 174.8, 133.9, 130.8, 128.5, 127.9, 74.6, 66.0, 35.7, 24.5. FT-IR: ν (cm⁻¹) 3394, 3132, 3055, 2960, 2920, 2849, 1683, 1646, 1615, 1452, 1088. HRMS [ESI] calcd for C₁₁H₁₃NONa [M+Na]⁺ 198.0889, found 198.0879.



Triethylamine (0.18 mmol, 18.2 mg, 25.0 μl, 1.5 equiv.) was added to the solution of **3a** (29.3 mg, 0.12 mmol) and 2,3-dichloro-5,6-dicyano-1,4-benzoquinone (DDQ, 54.9 mg, 0.24 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) in CH₂Cl₂ (2 mL) under N₂, the reaction mixture was stirred at r.t. After stirring for 3 h, the solvent was removed under vacuum and the residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel to provide the product **6**.

6: 20.5 mg, 53% yield, white solid, m.p. 120-121 °C. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: EtOAc/Petroleum ether = 1/6). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.54 (s, 1H), 7.64-7.55 (m, 2H), 7.45-7.37 (m, 2H), 7.34-7.27 (m, 1H), 6.97 (s, 1H), 6.54 (s, 1H), 4.35 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.38 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.4, 136.8, 131.4, 129.0, 127.7, 124.8, 123.4, 116.7, 107.9, 60.5, 14.5. FT-IR: ν (cm⁻¹) 3316, 3278, 2993, 2921, 2850, 1682, 1603, 1583, 1510, 1461. HRMS [ESI] calcd for C₁₃H₁₃NO₂Na [M+Na]⁺ 238.0838, found 238.0830.



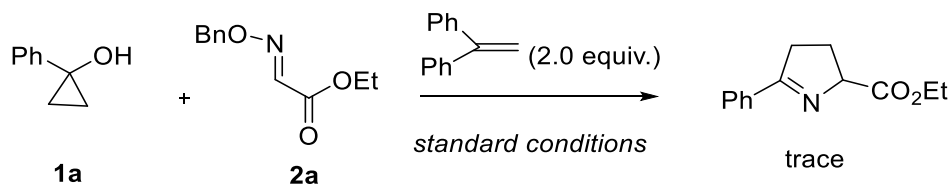
3a (0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), activated 4 Å powdered molecular sieves (300 mg), and anhydrous CH₂Cl₂ (3 mL) was stirred at r.t. for 15 min, and then MeOTf (1.0 mmol, 5.0 equiv.) was added in twice. The suspension was stirred at r.t. for 4 h and then concentrated to dryness without filtering off the molecular sieves. To a cooled (0 °C), stirred suspension of the crude salt in anhydrous THF (3 mL) was added NaBH₄ (0.8 mmol, 4.0 equiv.). The mixture was stirred at rt. until the starting material had been consumed as determined by TLC. The crude mixture was quenched by NH₄Cl. The resulting aqueous phase was extracted with Et₂O. The combined organic extracts were washed with brine, dried over MgSO₄, filtered and concentrated in vacuo. The residue was eluted from a short column of silica gel (EtOAc/petroleum ether = 1:3) to afford **7**.

7-cis: 18.6 mg, 40% yield, yellow oil. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: EtOAc/Petroleum ether = 1/3). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.45-7.39 (m, 2H), 7.35-7.29 (m, 2H), 7.26-7.21 (m, 1H), 4.23 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 3.40-3.33 (m, 1H), 3.21-3.14 (m, 1H), 2.24 (s, 3H), 2.18-2.02 (m, 3H), 1.90-1.78 (m, 1H), 1.31 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 174.0, 142.8, 128.4, 127.5, 127.2, 71.9, 68.1, 60.6, 39.8, 34.5, 27.8, 14.3. FT-IR: ν (cm⁻¹) 2973, 2882, 1734, 1653, 1455, 1380, 1322, 1274. HRMS [ESI] calcd for C₁₄H₁₉NO₂Na [M+Na]⁺ 256.1308, found 256.1300.

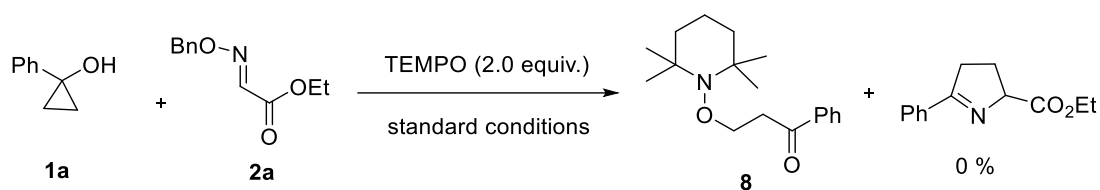
7-trans: 2.8 mg, 6% yield, yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.59-7.54 (m, 2H), 7.42-7.36 (m, 3H), 4.49 (dd, *J* = 12.0, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.32-4.19 (m, 2H), 4.14 (t, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 2.65-2.52 (m, 1H), 2.45-2.35 (m, 1H), 2.32 (s, 3H), 2.31-2.19 (m, 2H), 1.33 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 169.3, 132.4, 131.2, 129.5, 128.1, 76.1, 72.4, 61.6, 39.6, 27.3, 25.6, 14.1. FT-IR: ν (cm⁻¹) 2973, 2882, 1734, 1653, 1455, 1380, 1322, 1274. HRMS [ESI] calcd for C₁₄H₁₉NO₂Na [M+Na]⁺ 256.1308, found 256.1300.

7. Mechanistic studies

7.1 Verification of Radical mechanism



When ethene-1,1-diyldibenzene (2.0 equiv.) was introduced into the model reaction, only trace products were detected according to TLC analysis.



Following the standard procedures, additional 2.0 equiv. TEMPO was added. **8** was detected by HRMS. HRMS [ESI] calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{27}\text{NO}_2$ $[\text{M}]^+$ 289.2036, found 289.2038.

7.2 Reaction ratio plot of 20 mol% $\text{Mn}(\text{acac})_3$ and $\text{Mn}(\text{acac})_2$

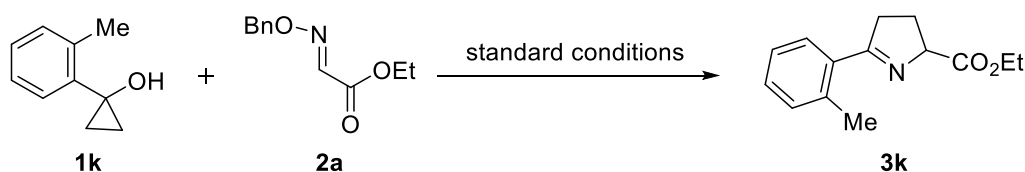


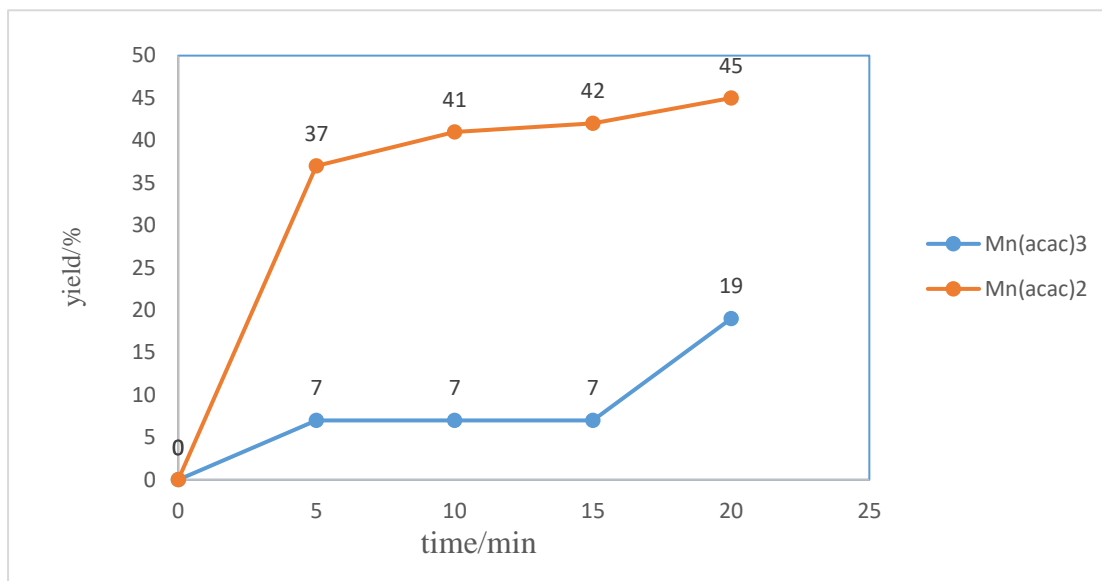
Table 1. The yields of reaction with **1k** and 20 mol% $\text{Mn}(\text{acac})_3$ at different time interval

Time (min)	5	10	15	20
Yield/%	7	7	7	19

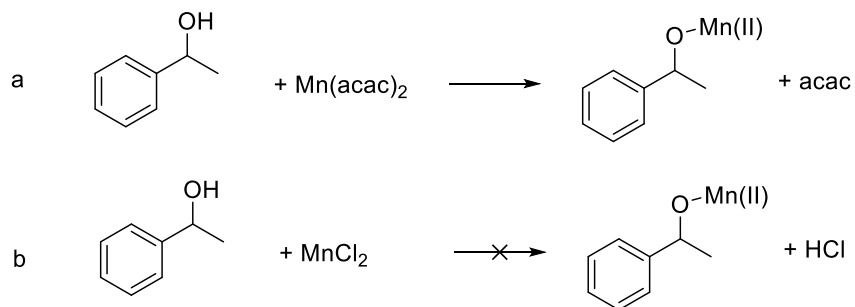
Table 2. The yields of reaction with **1k** and 20 mol% $\text{Mn}(\text{acac})_2$ at different time interval

Time (min)	5	10	15	20
Yield/%	37	41	42	45

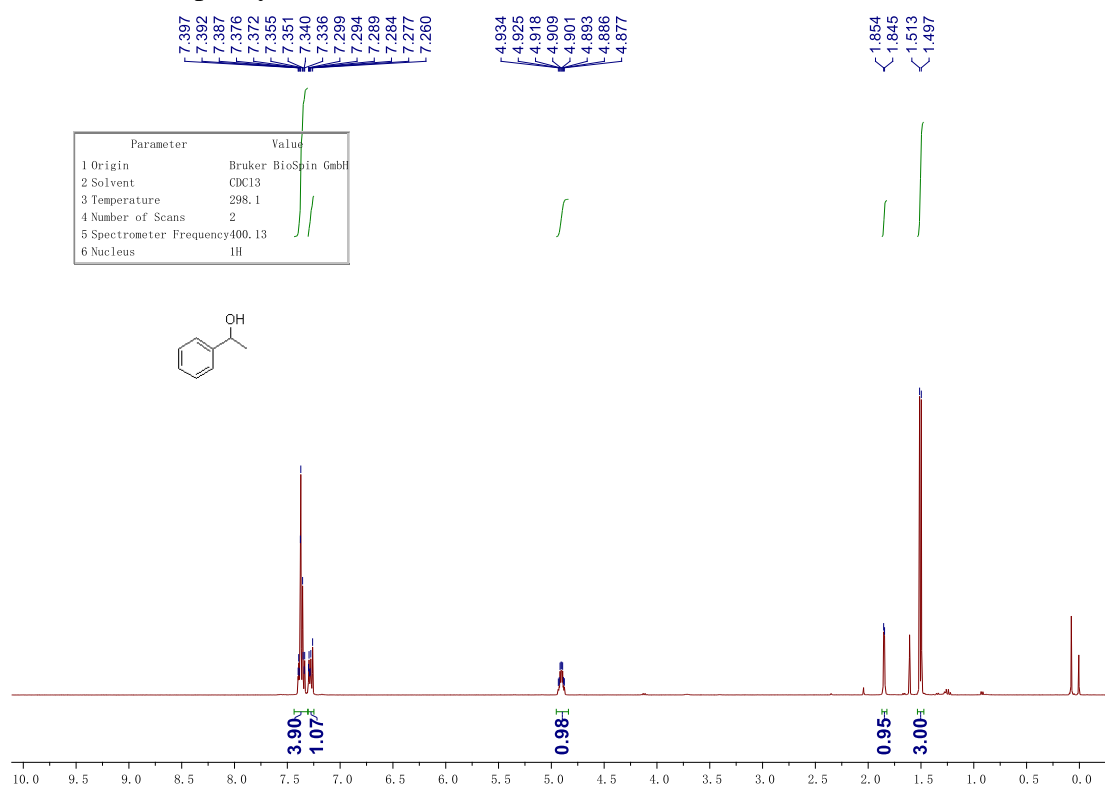
Figure 1. Plot of the reaction yields of $\text{Mn}(\text{acac})_2$ and $\text{Mn}(\text{acac})_3$ in different time



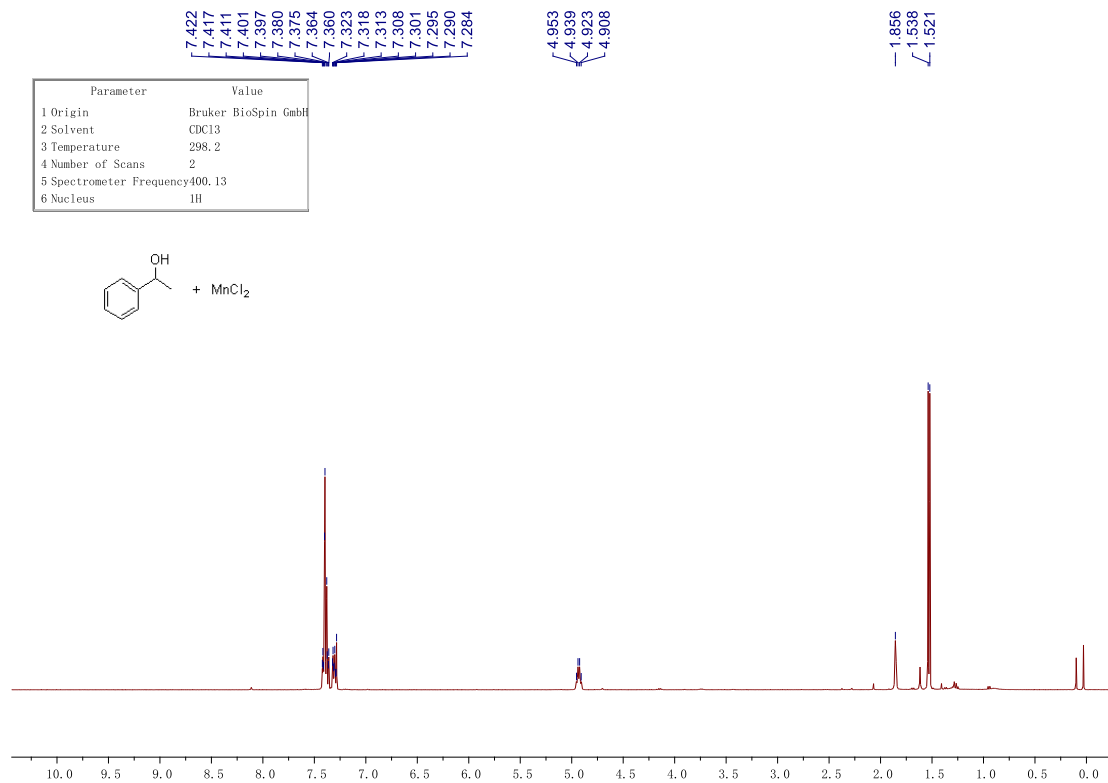
7.3 ^1H NMR experiments to verify the formation of Mn-O species from $\text{Mn}(\text{acac})_2$



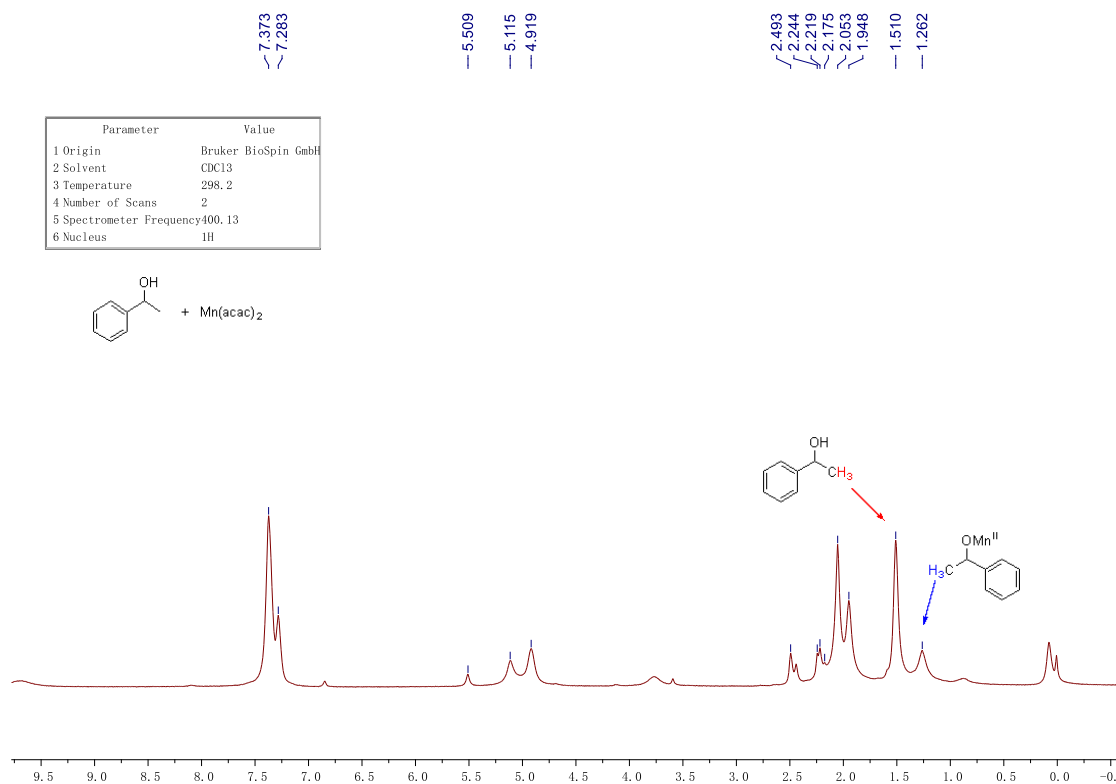
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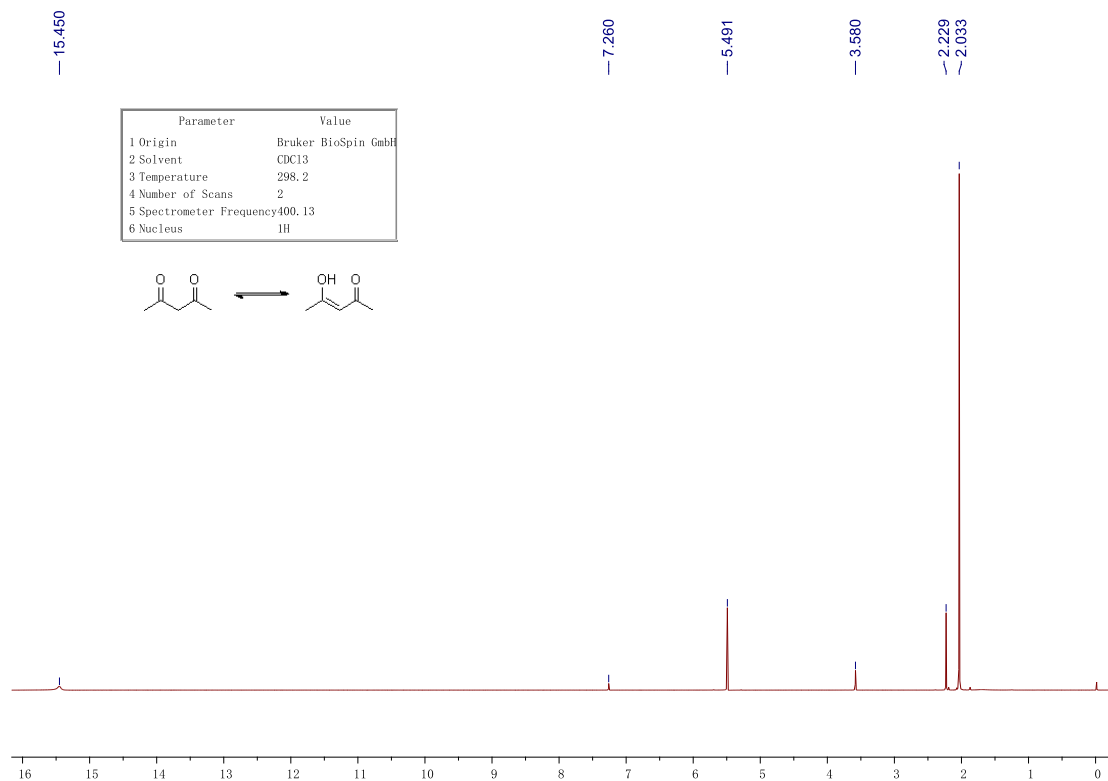
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¹H NMR of 1-phenylethan-1-ol and Mn(acac)₂



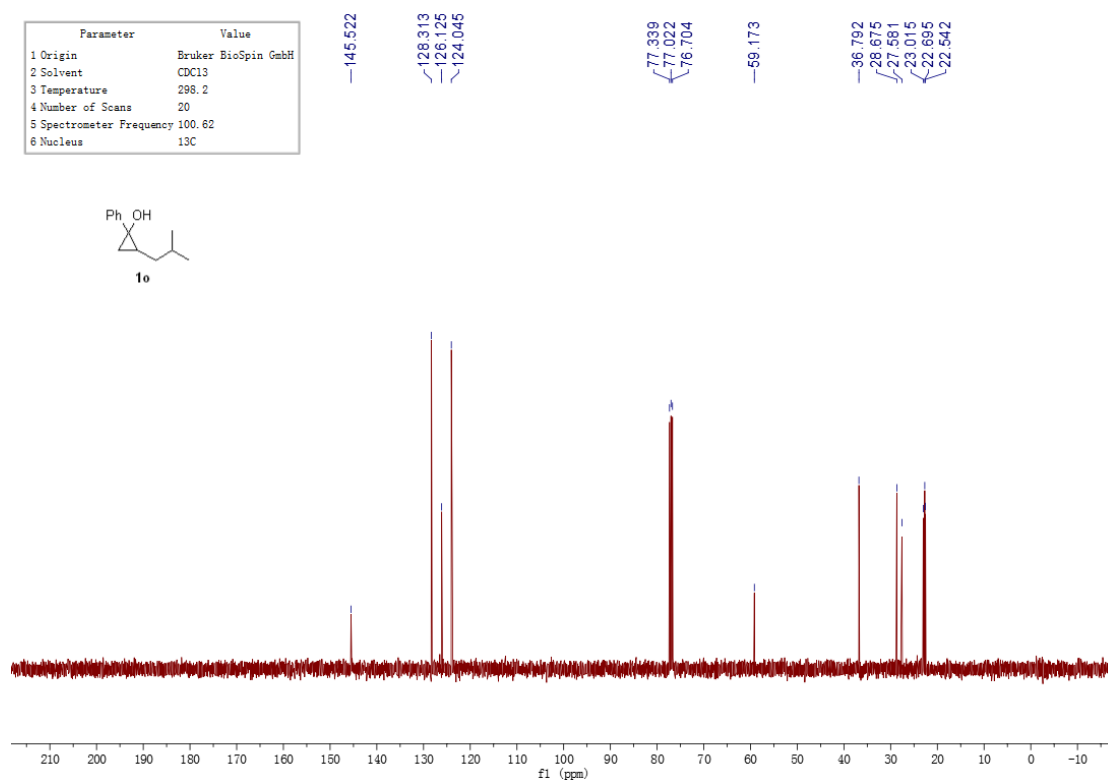
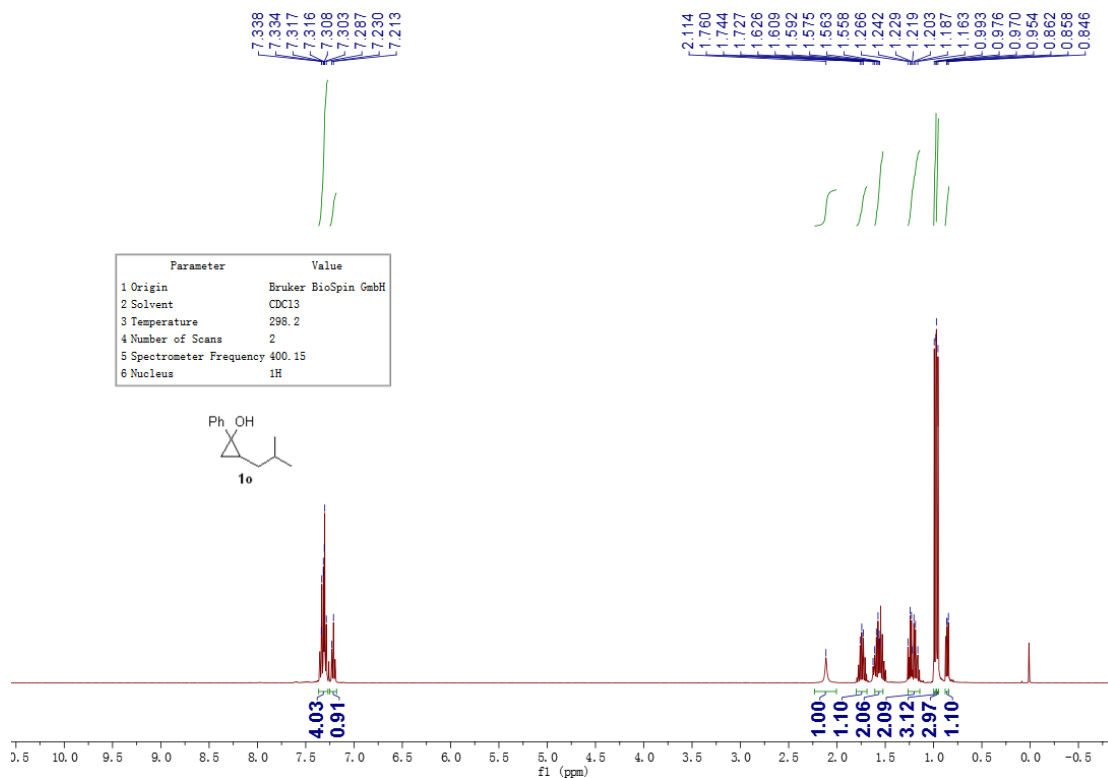
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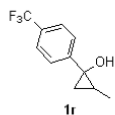
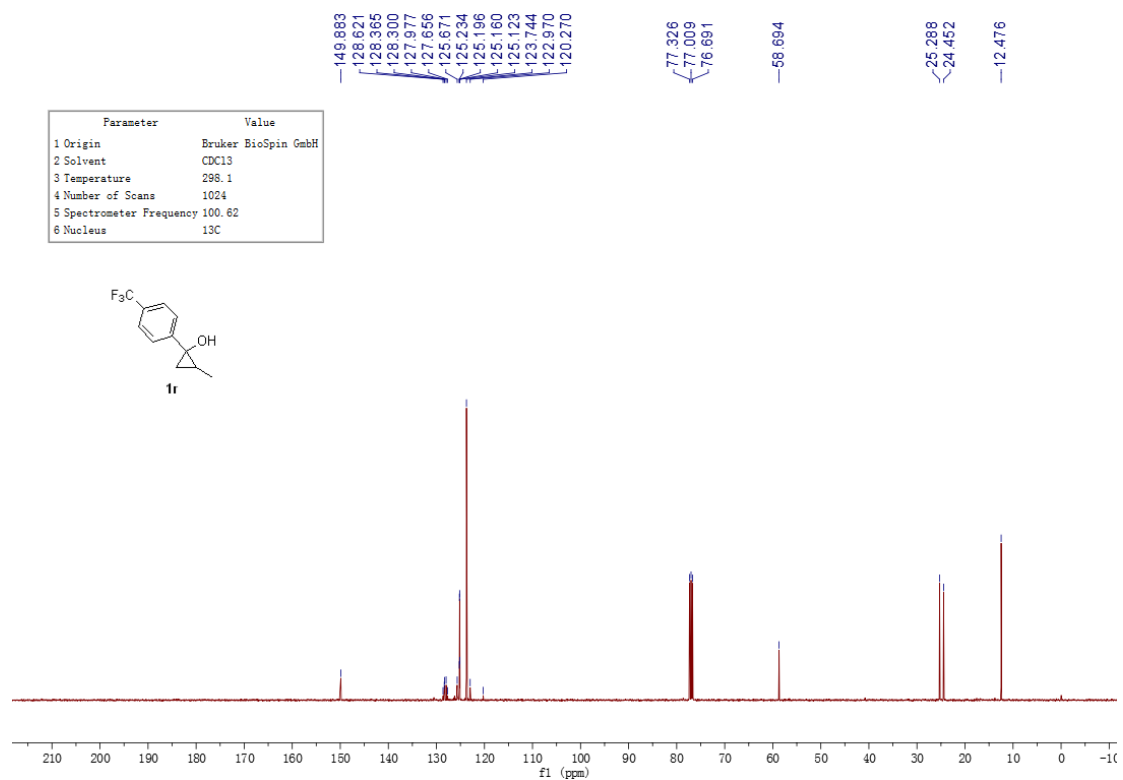
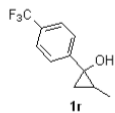
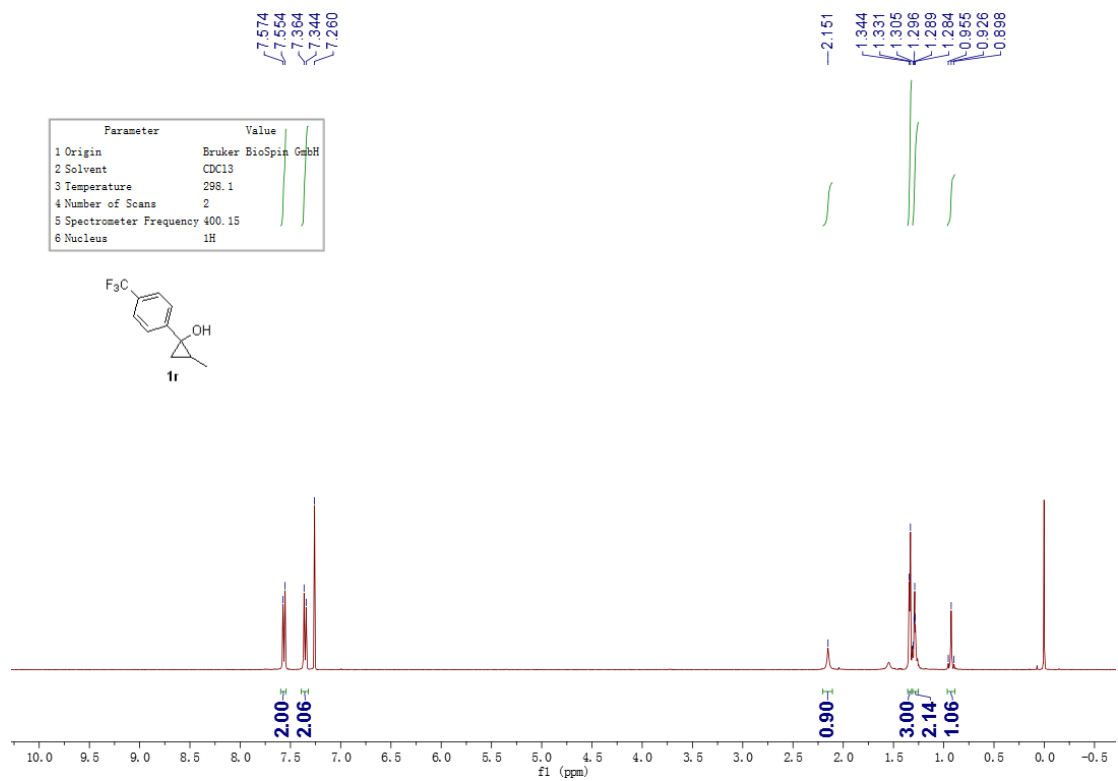


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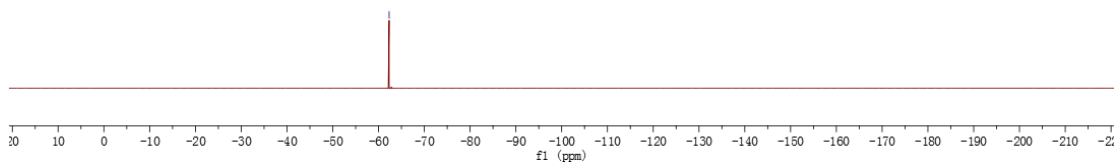
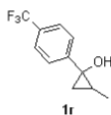
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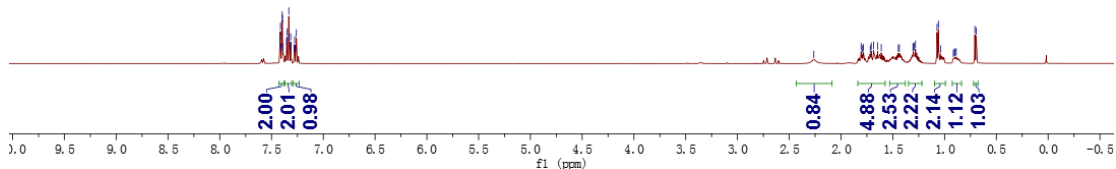
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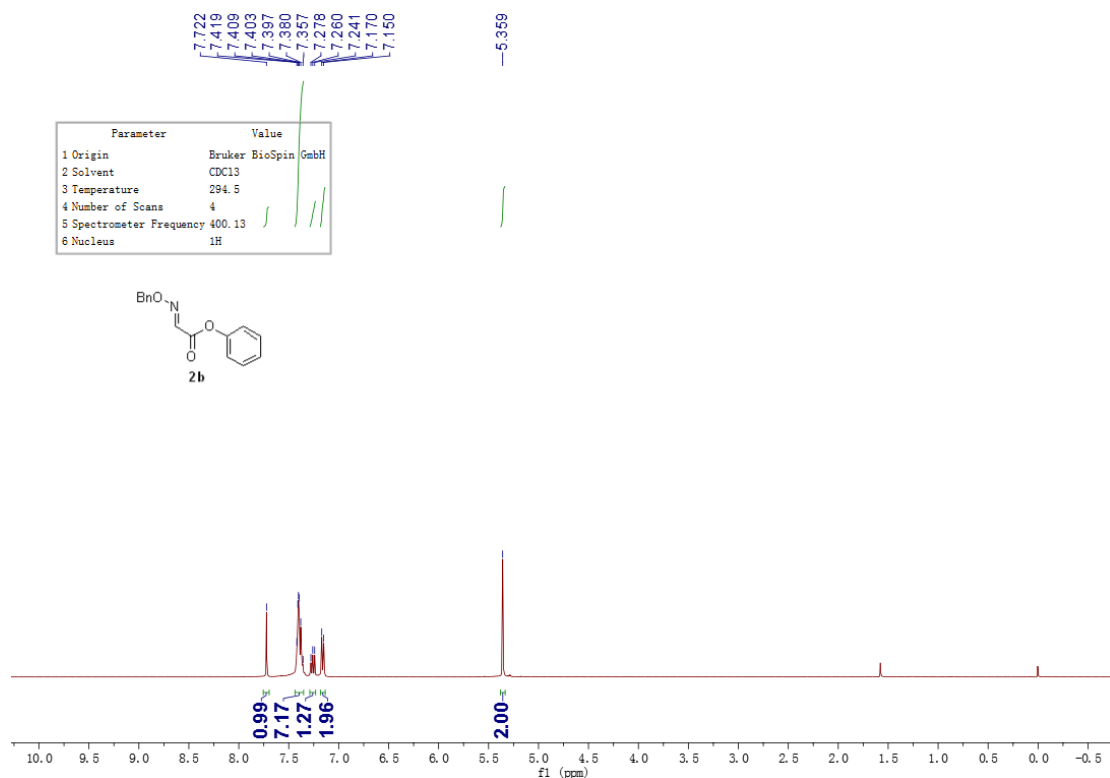
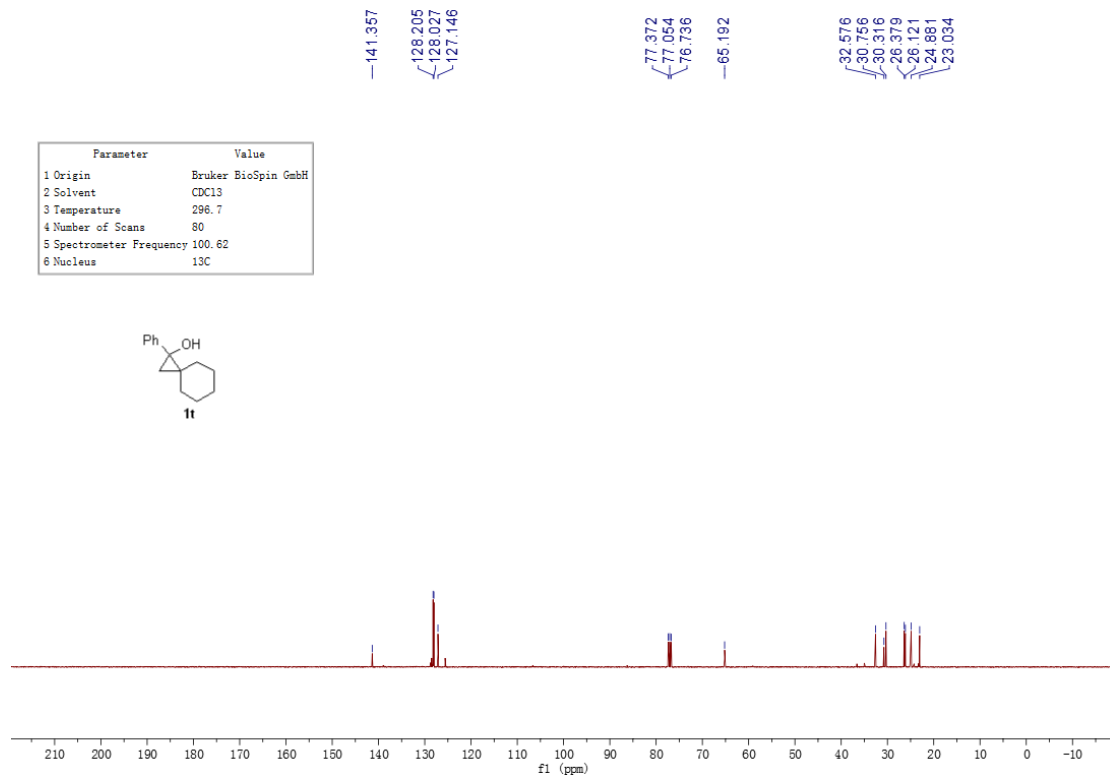


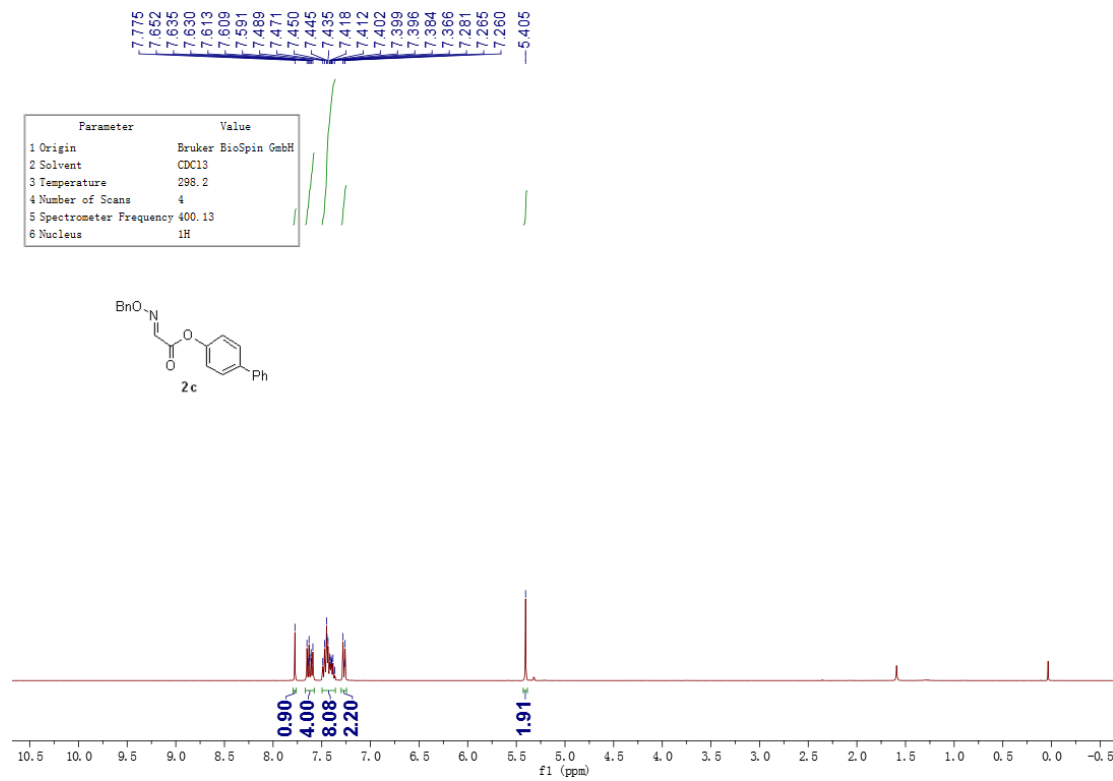
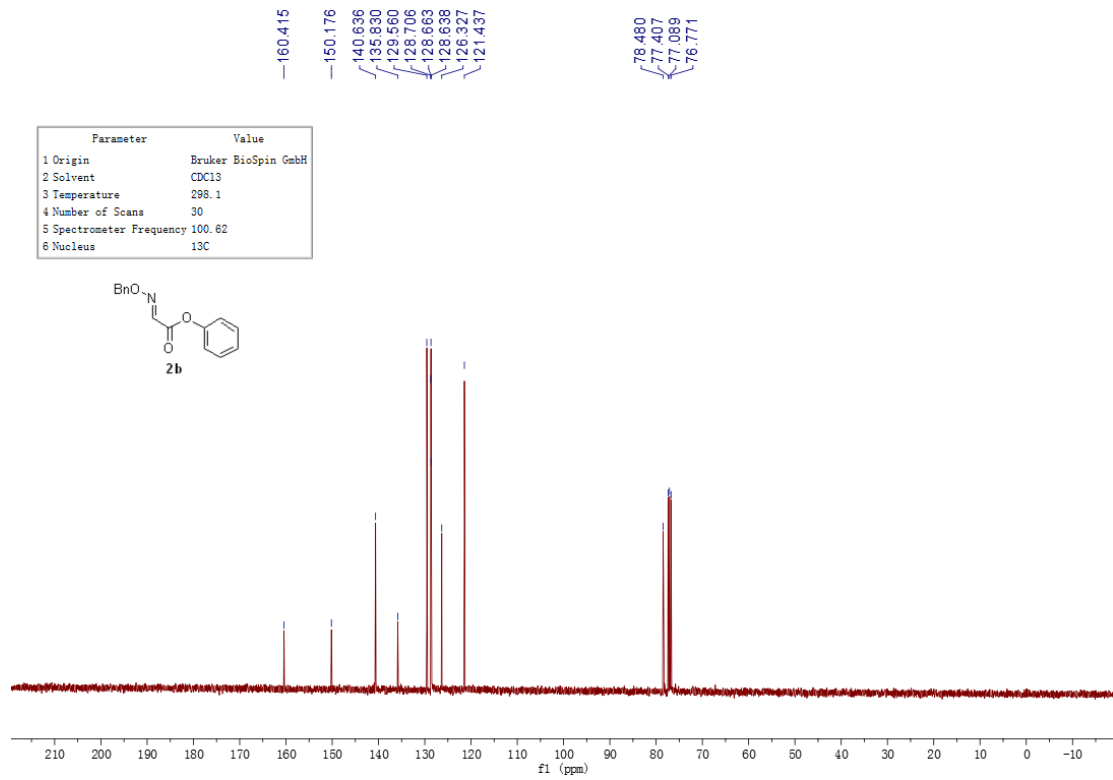
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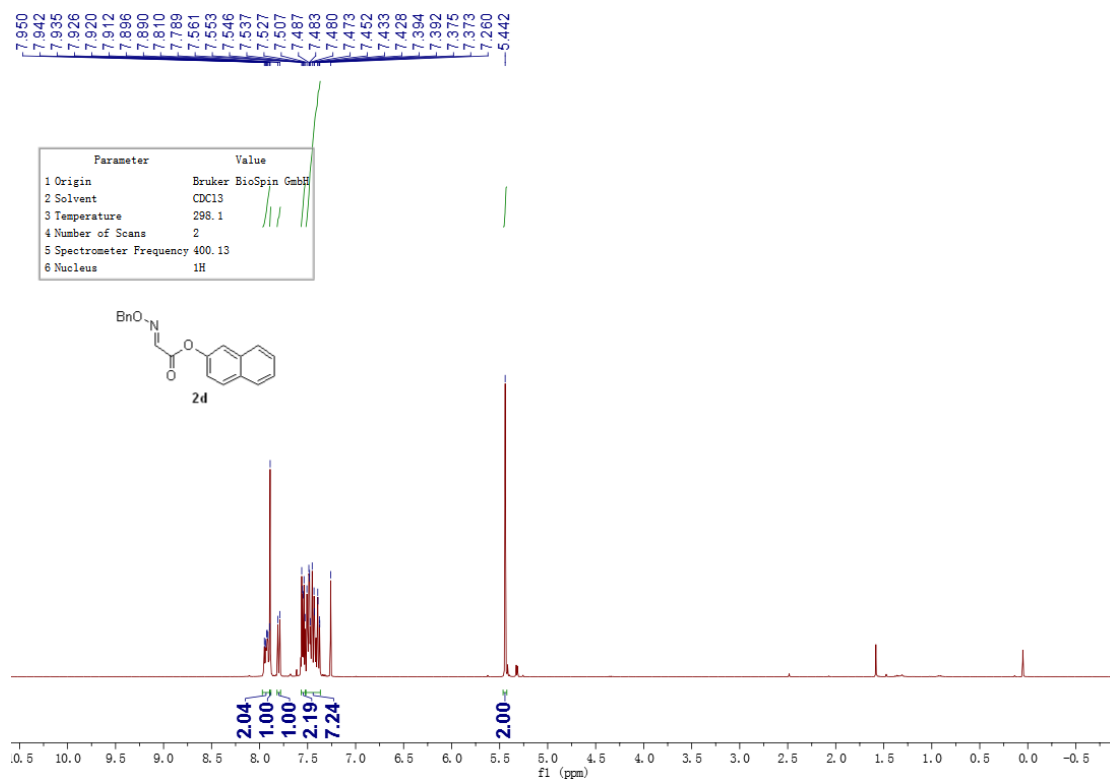
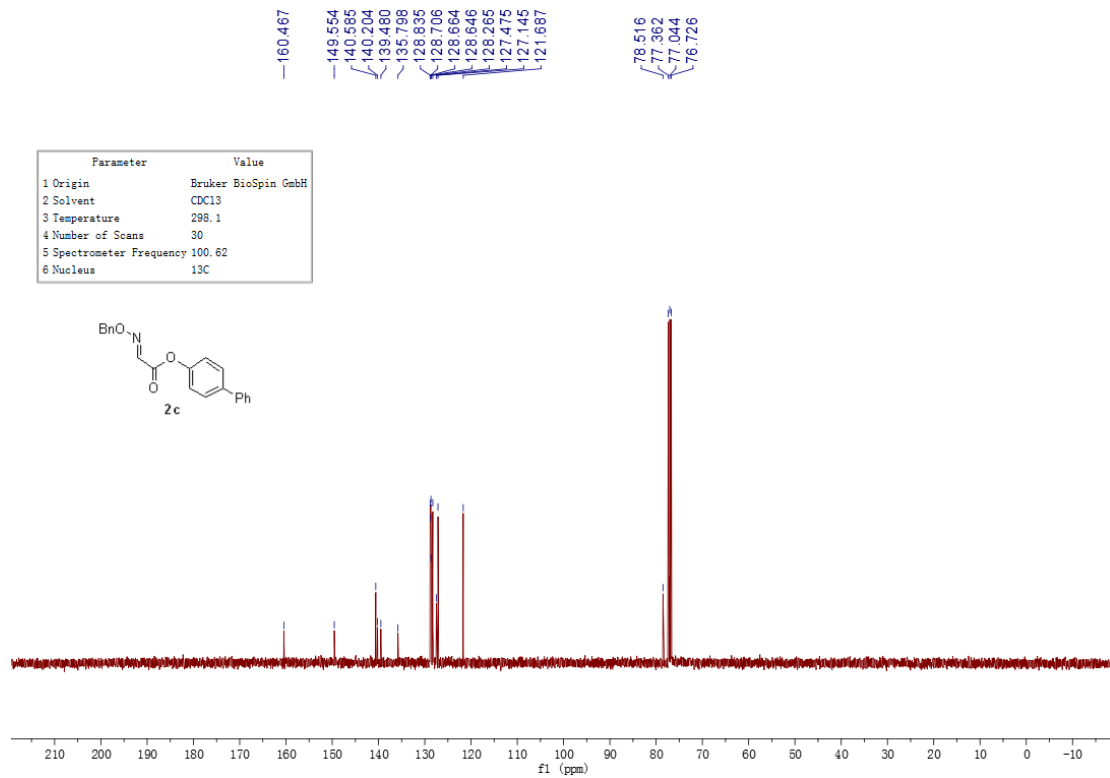
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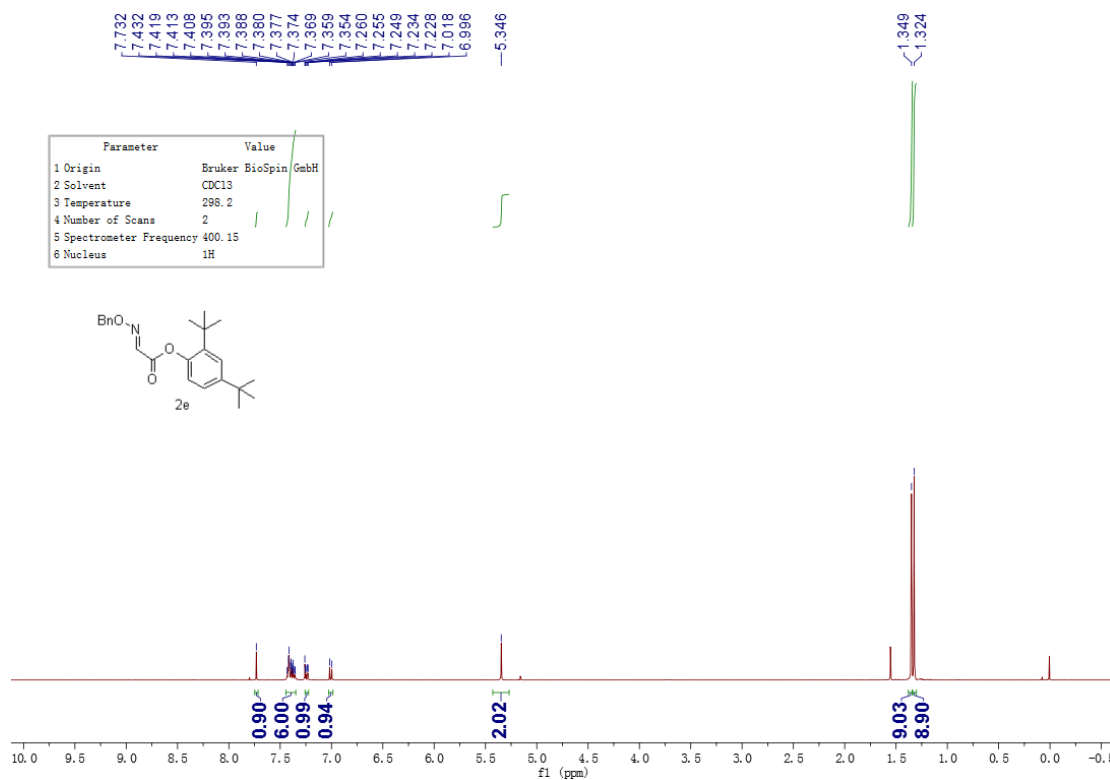
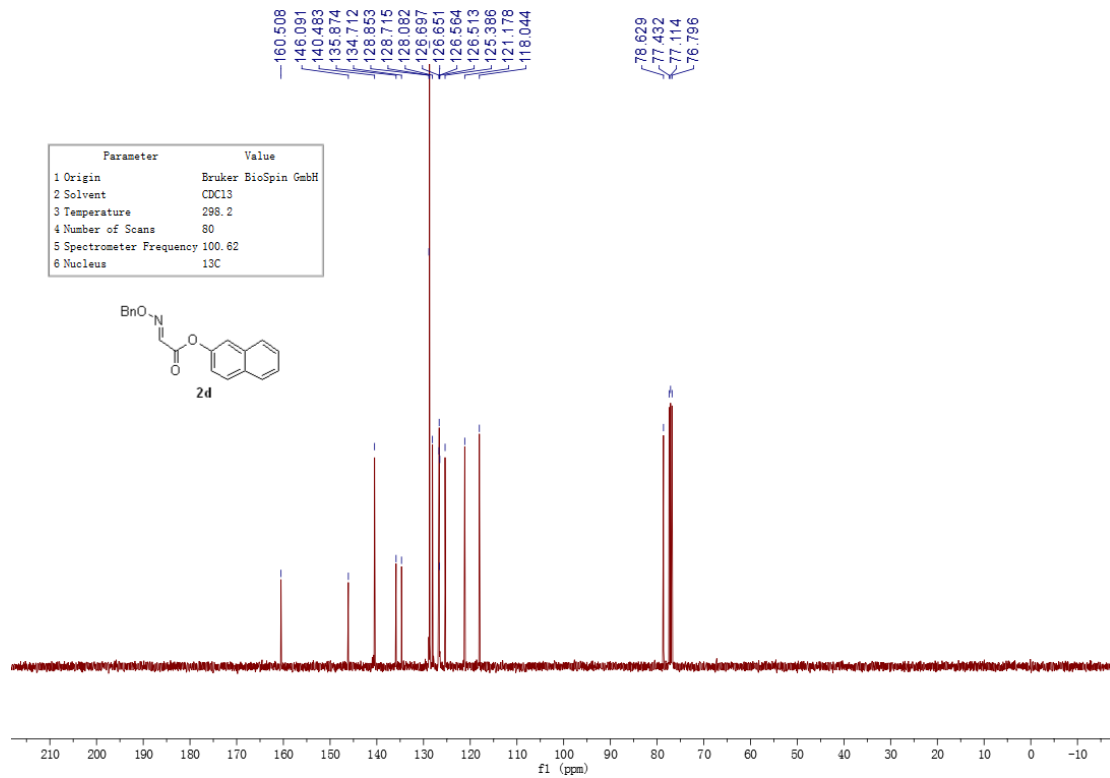
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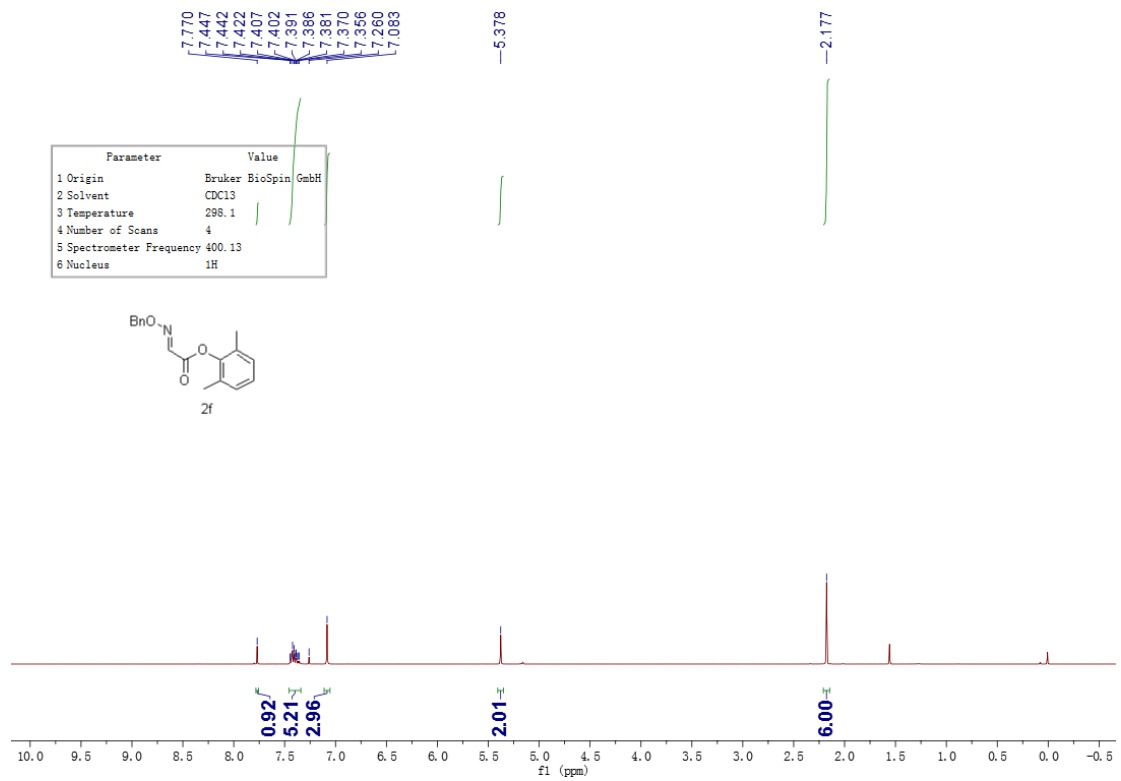
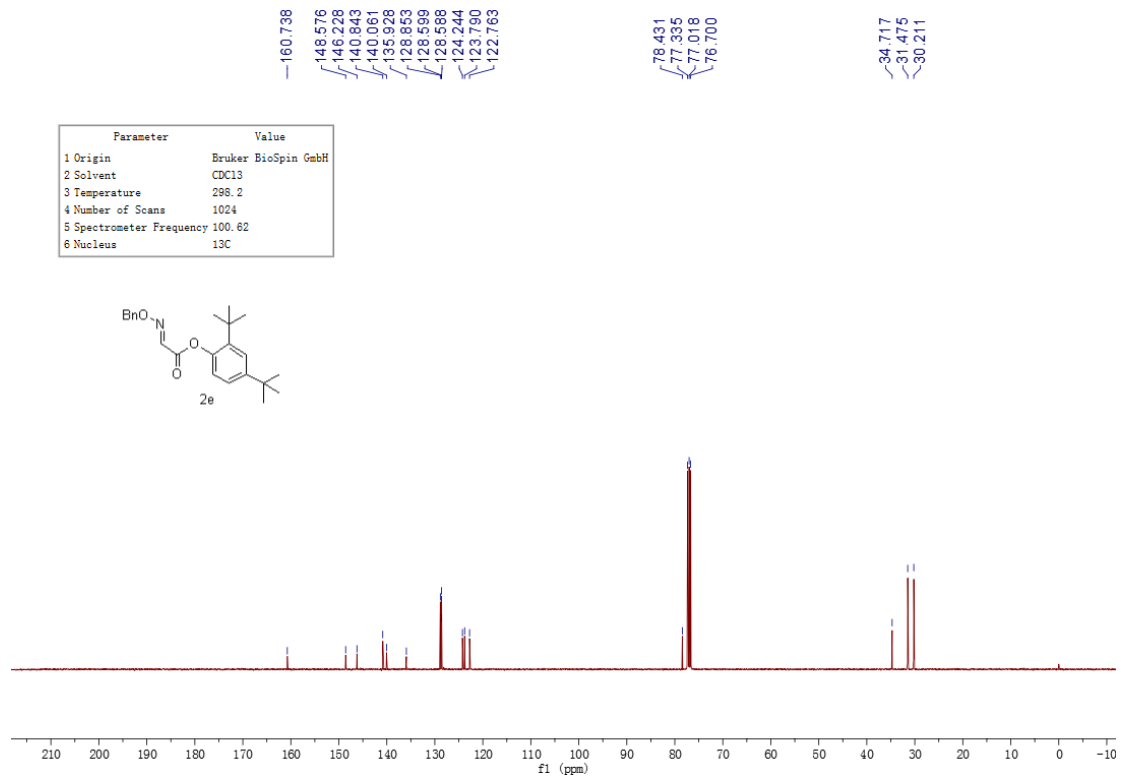


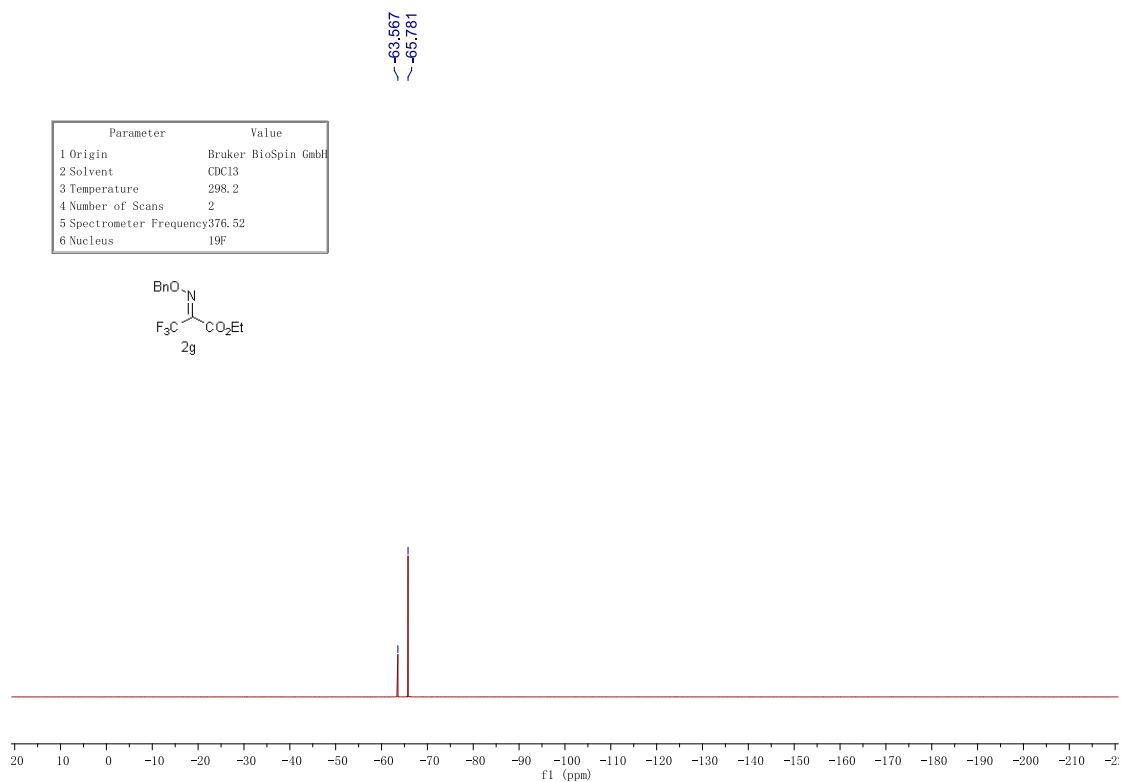
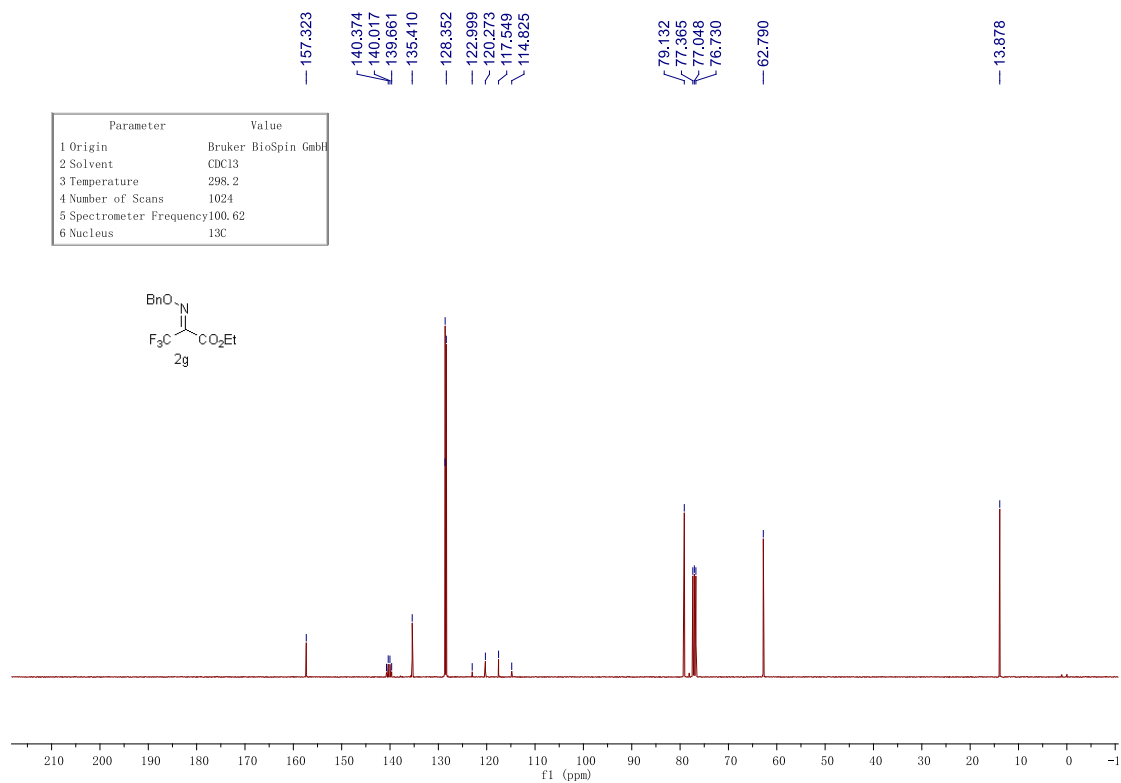


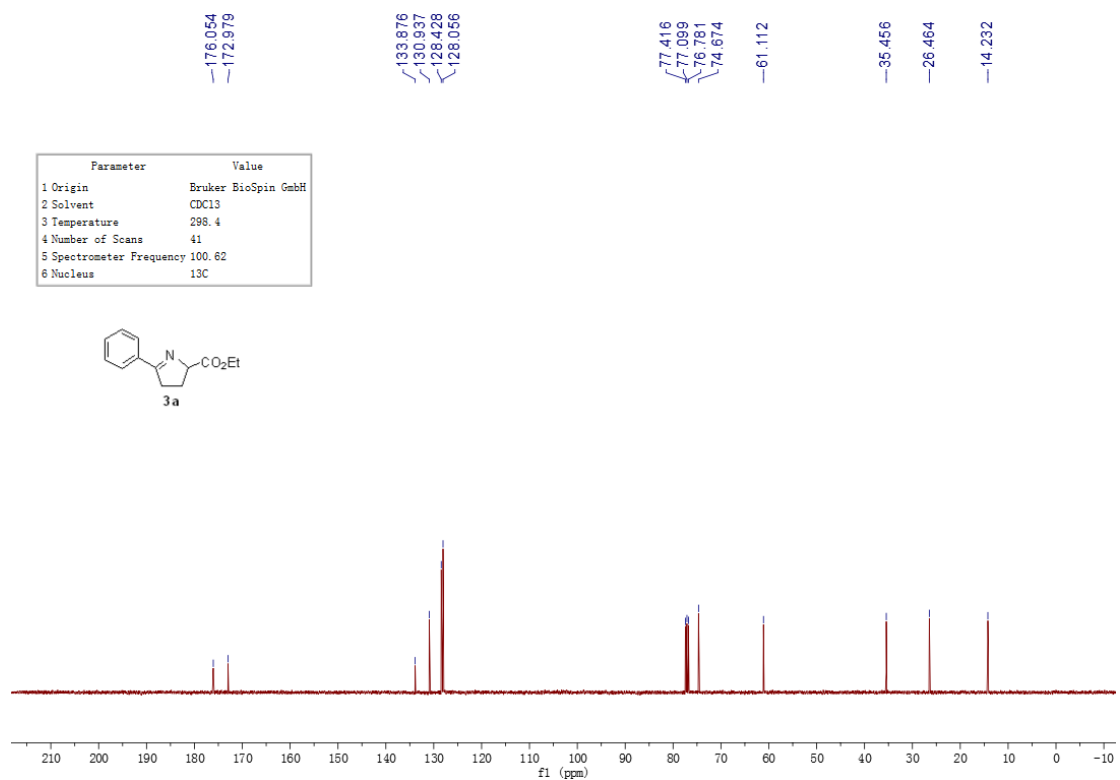
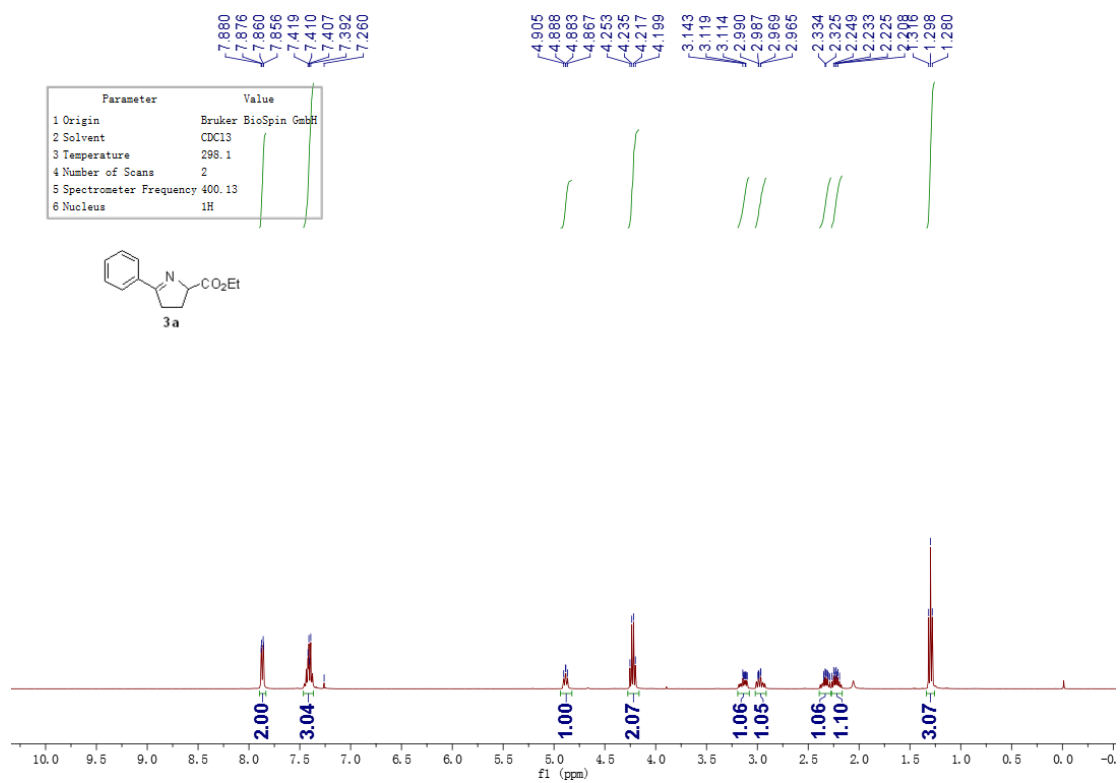


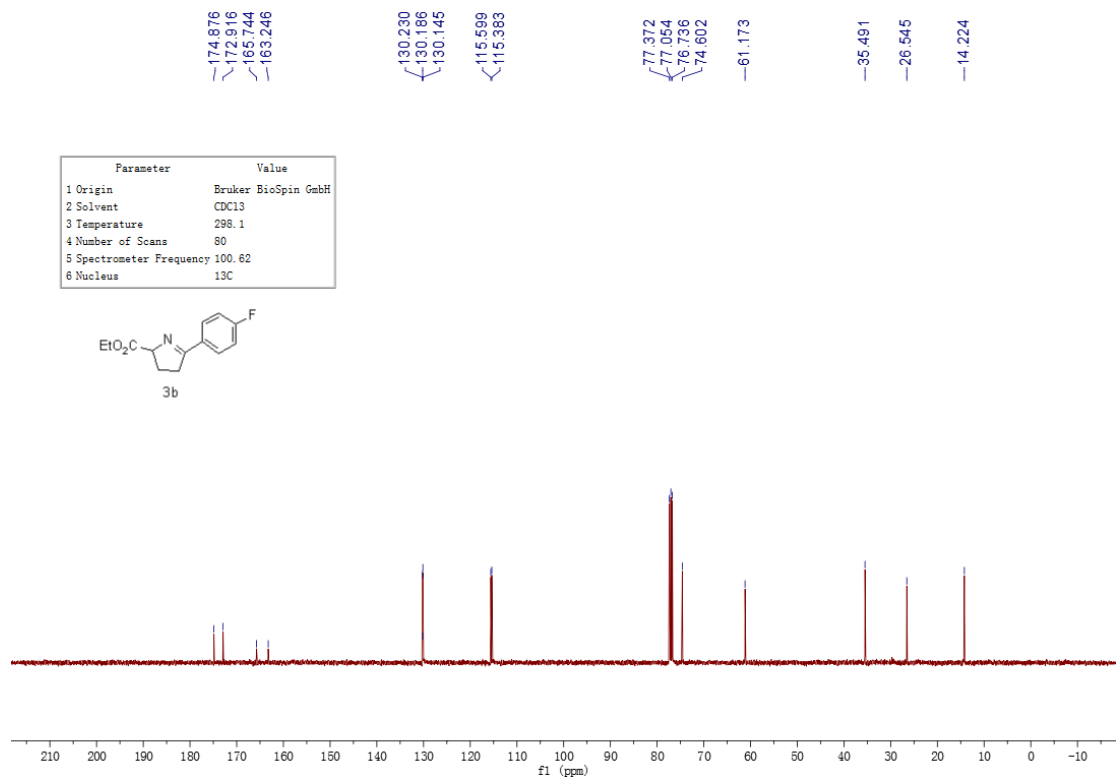
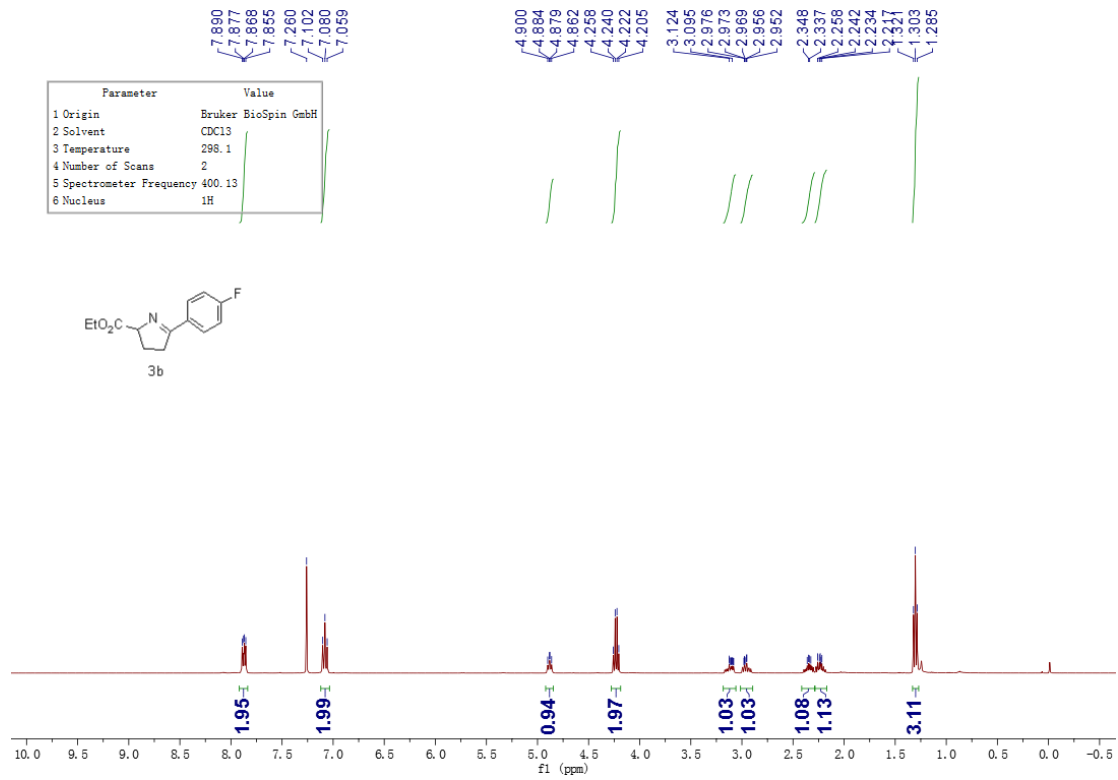


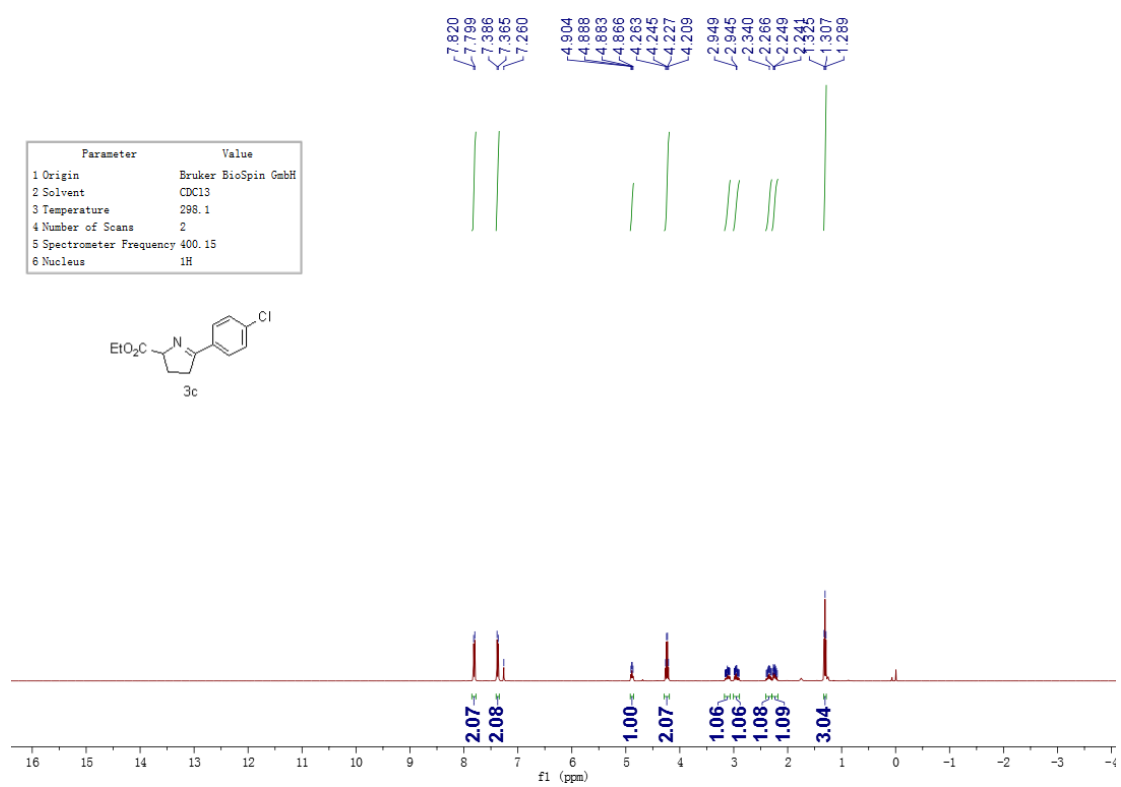
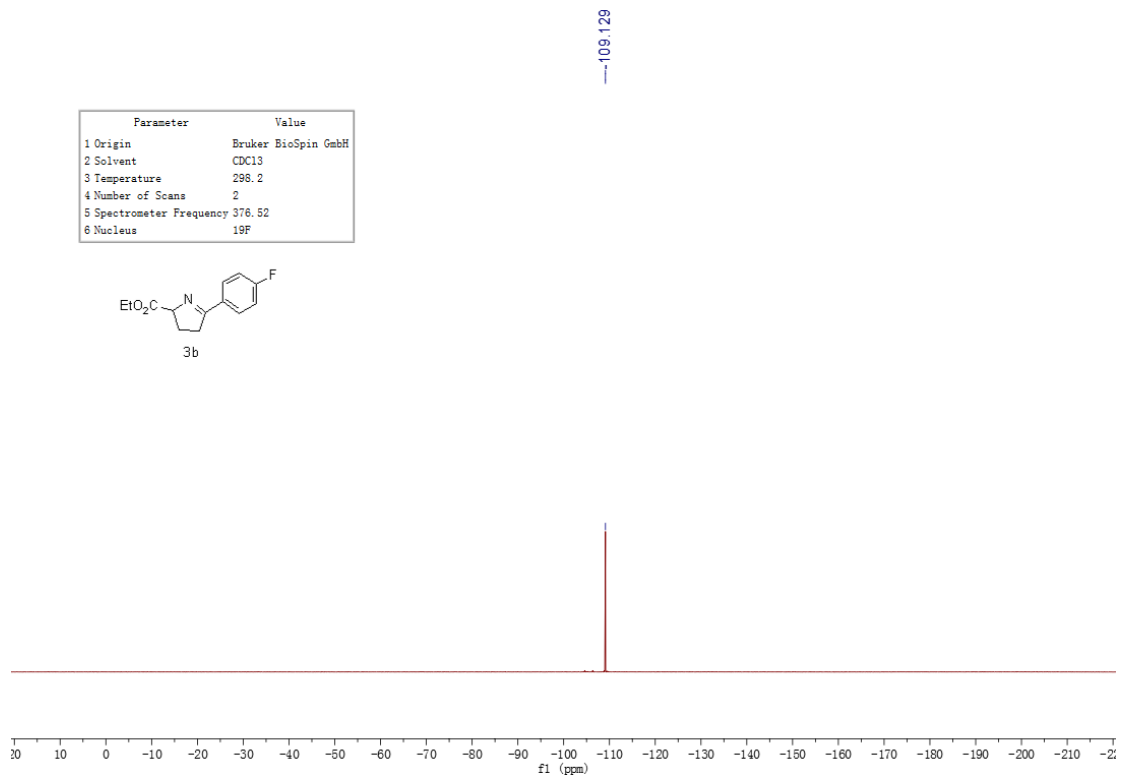


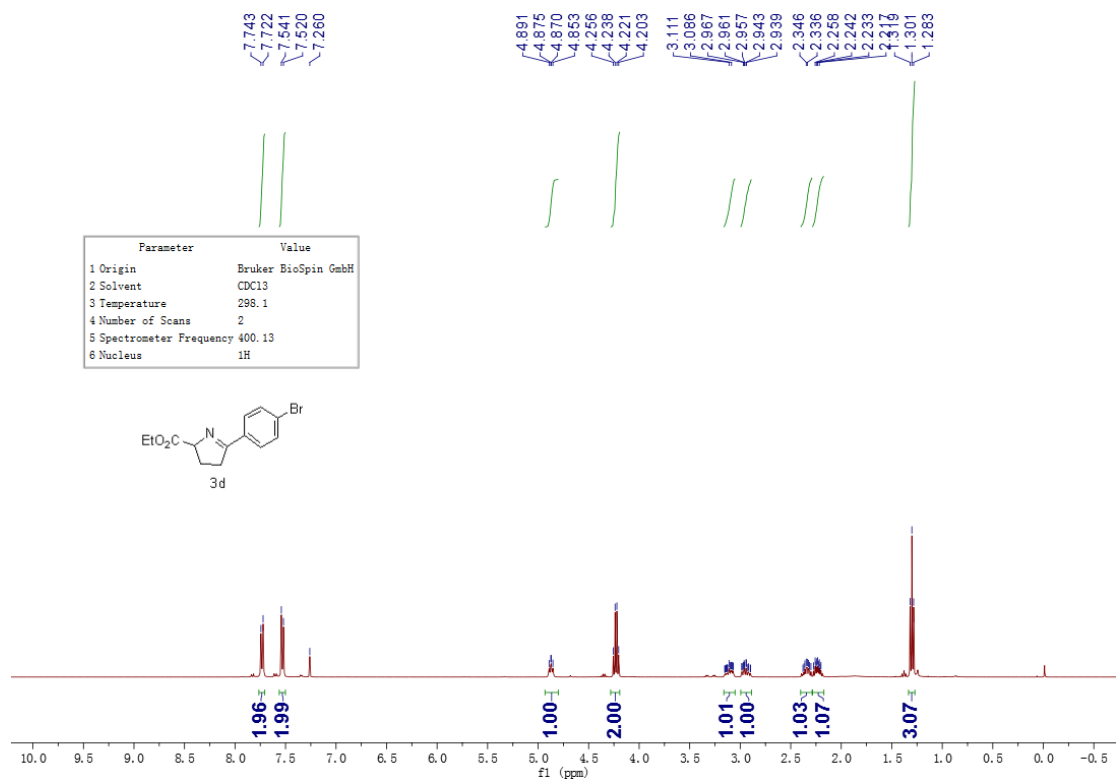
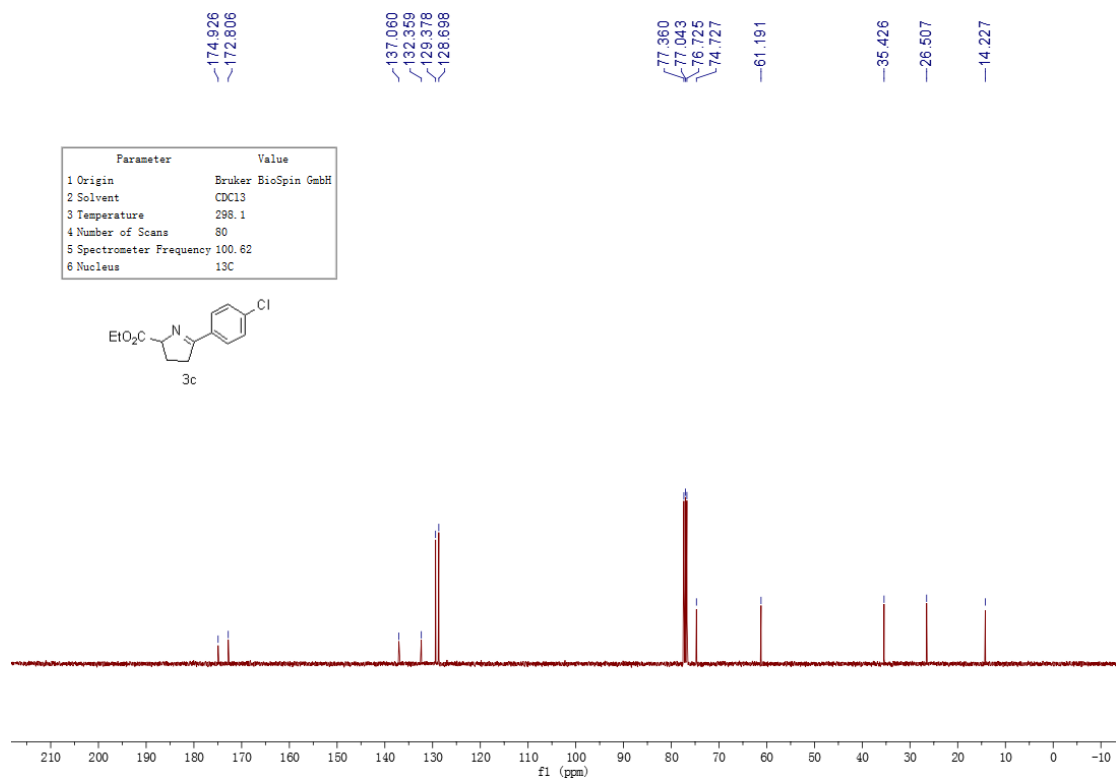


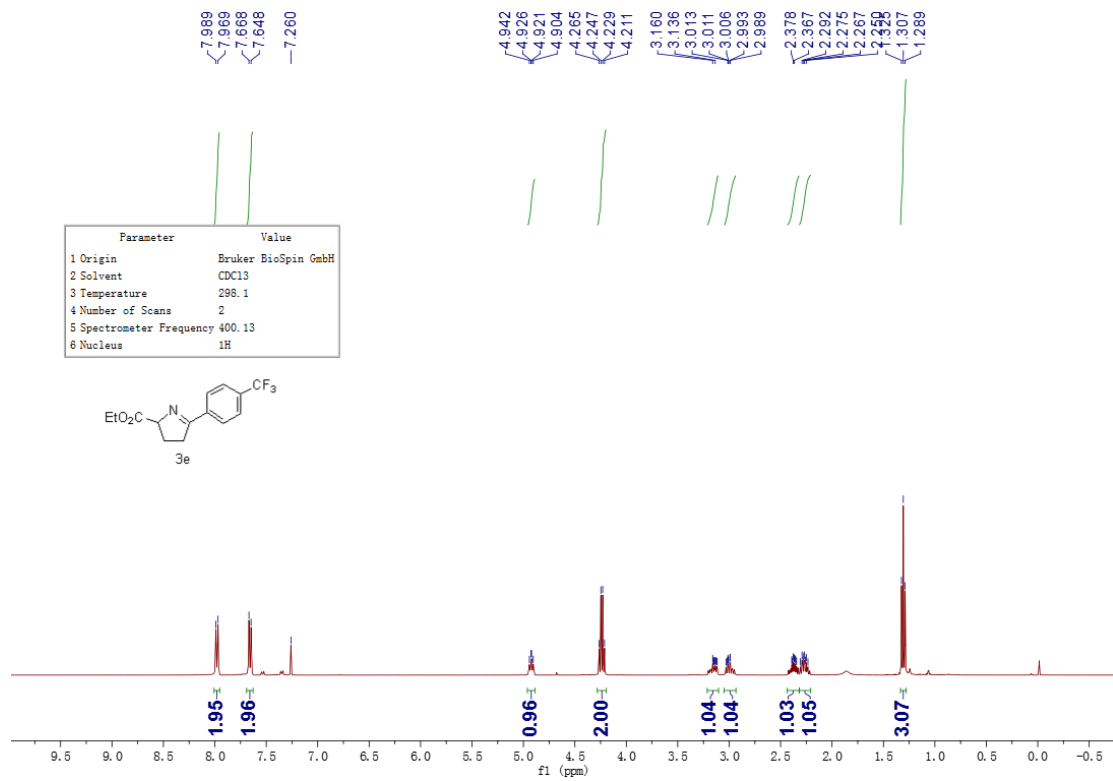
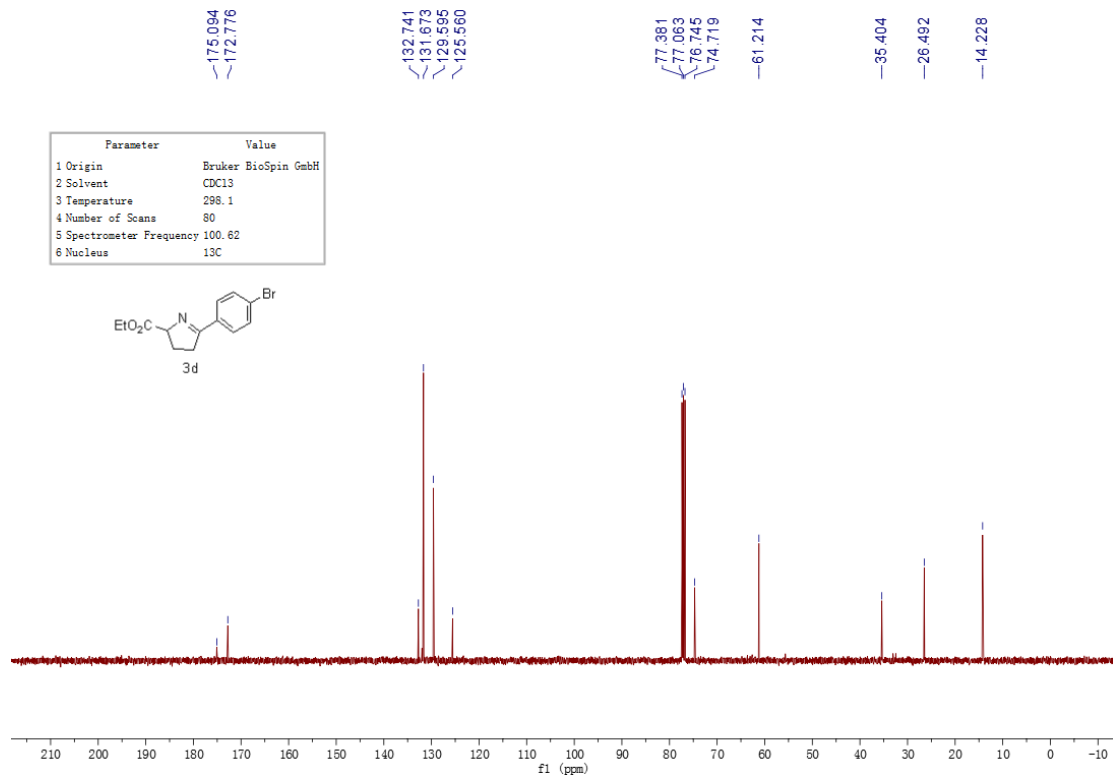












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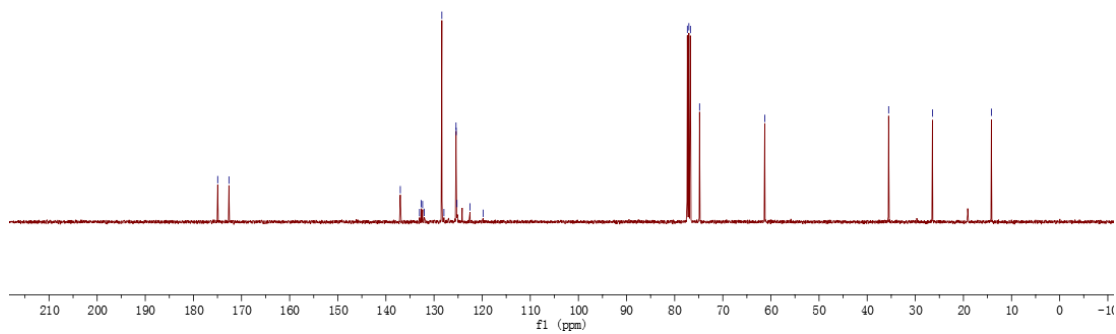
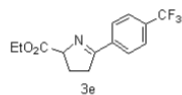
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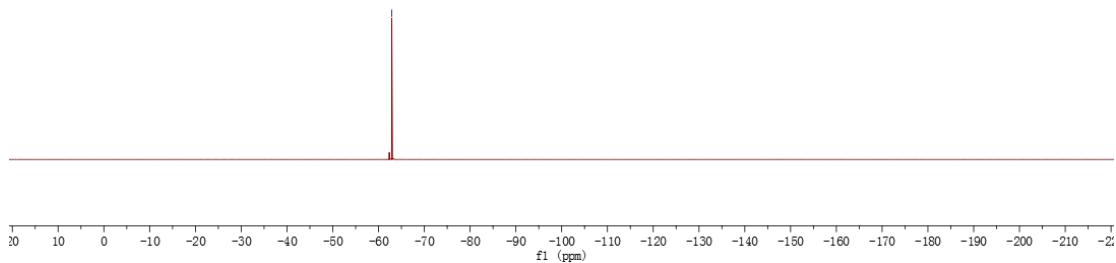
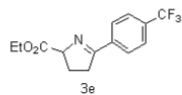
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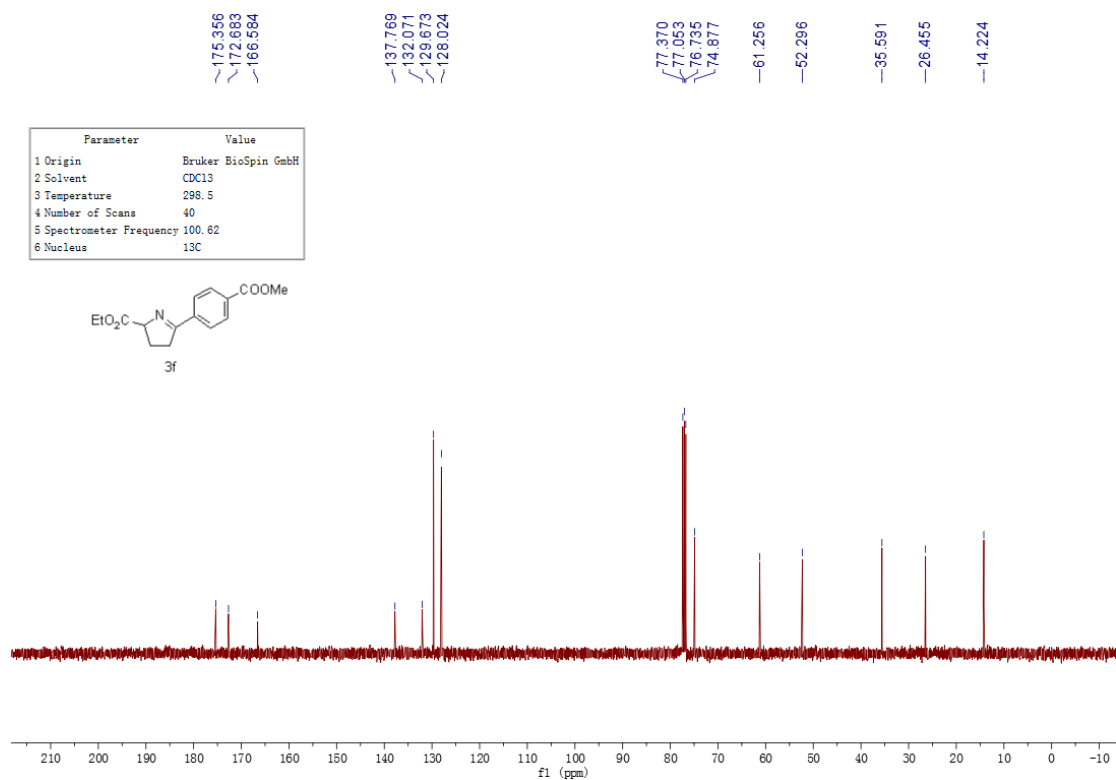
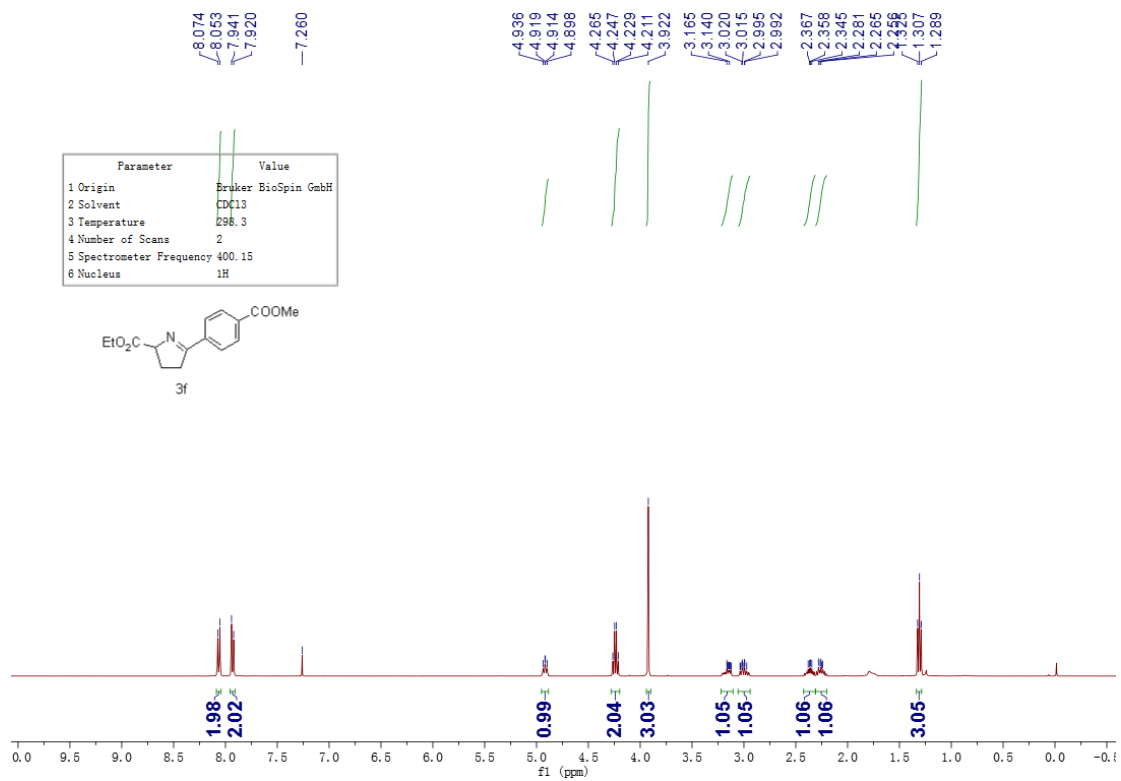
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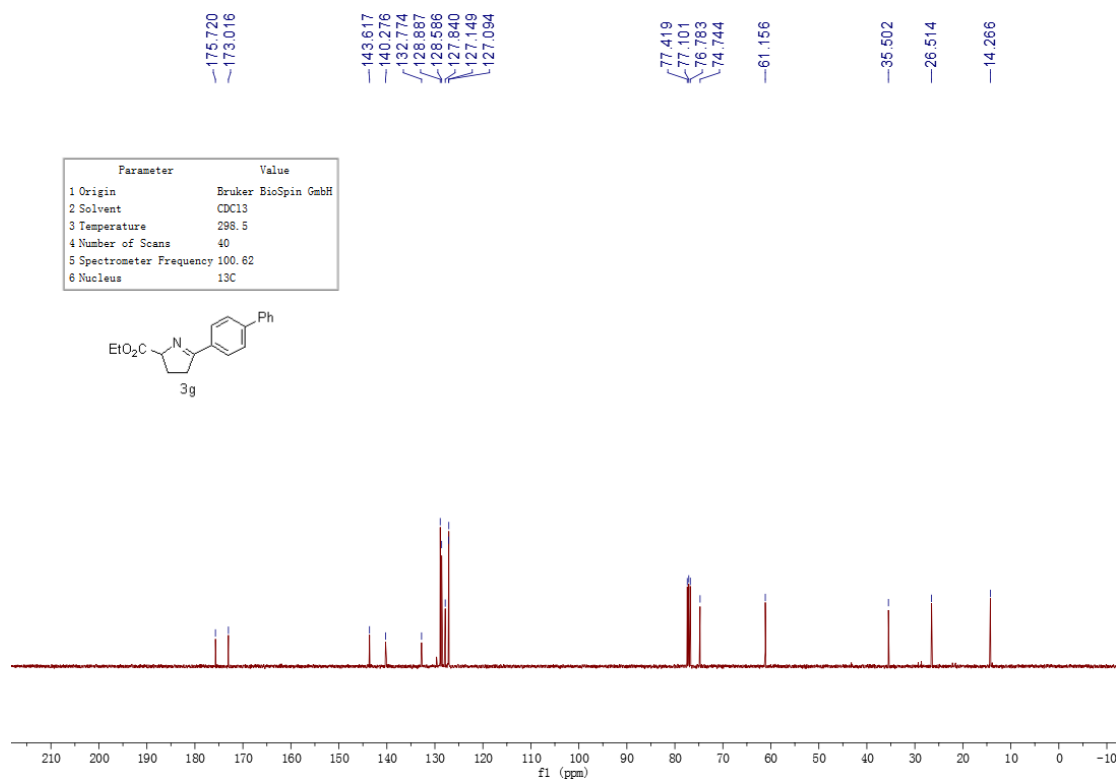
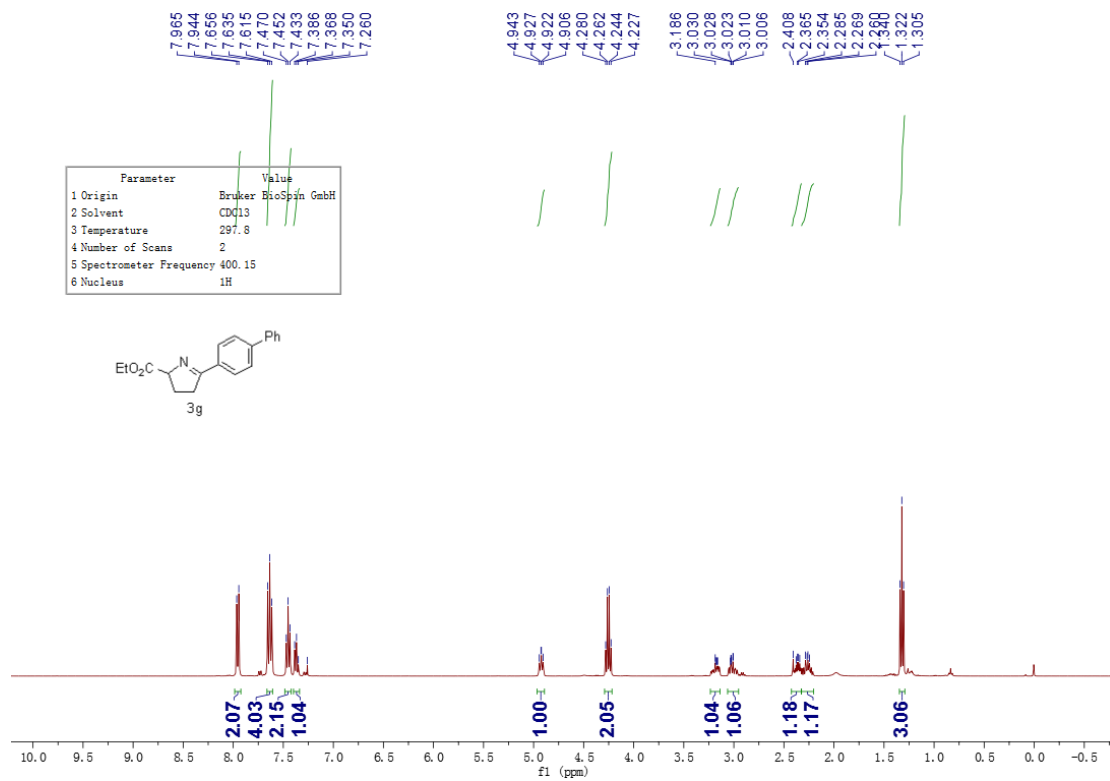


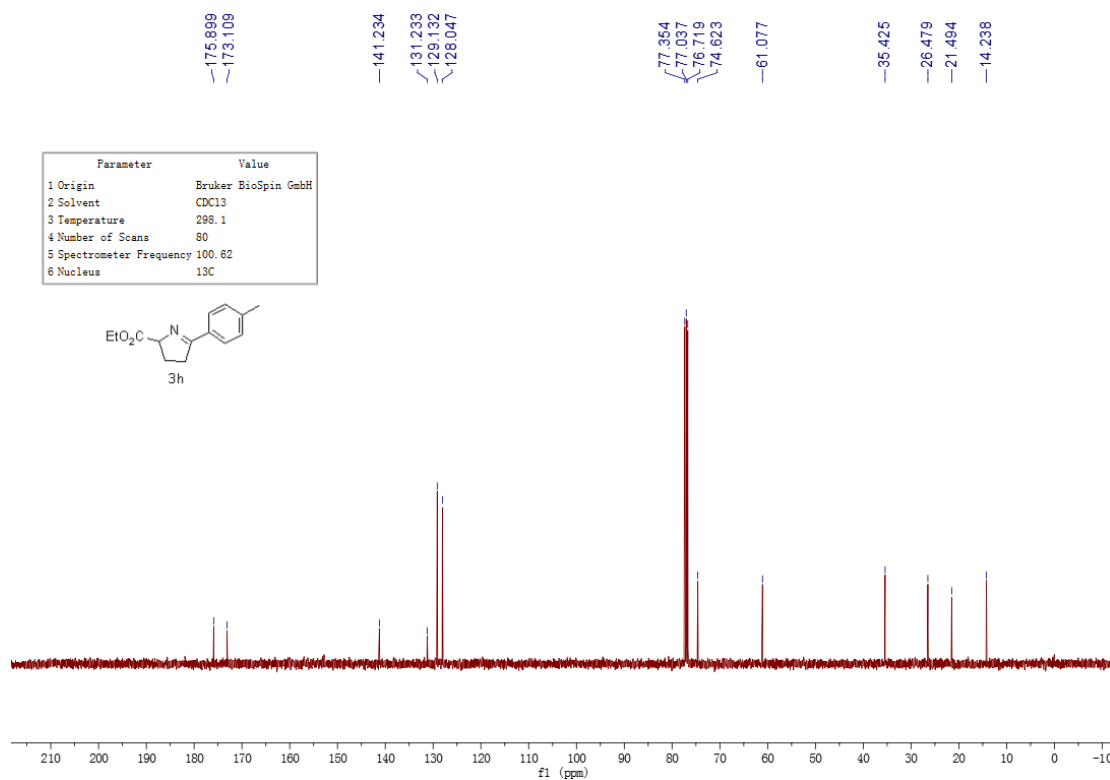
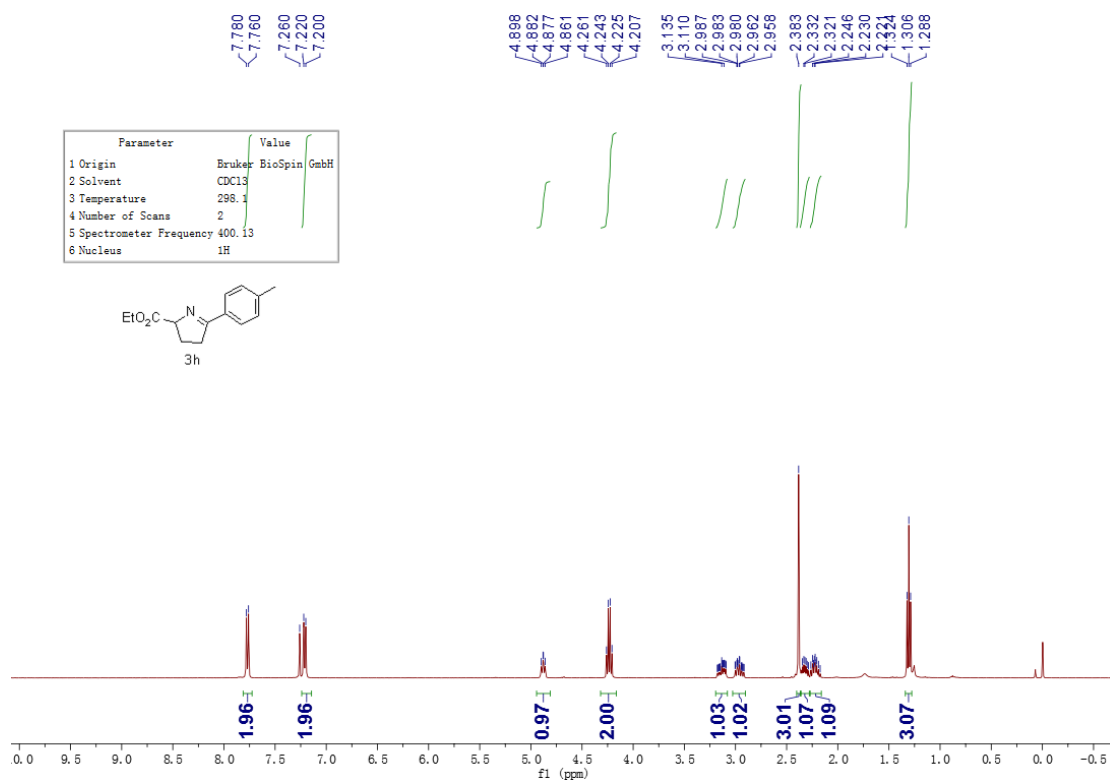
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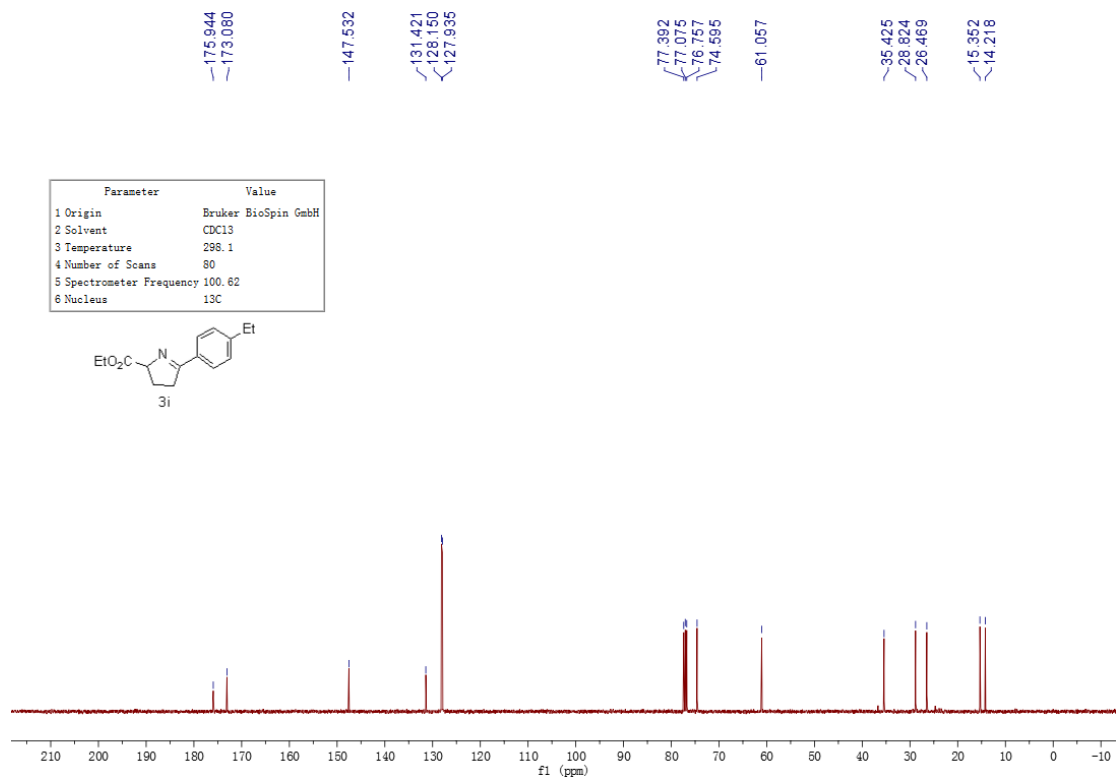
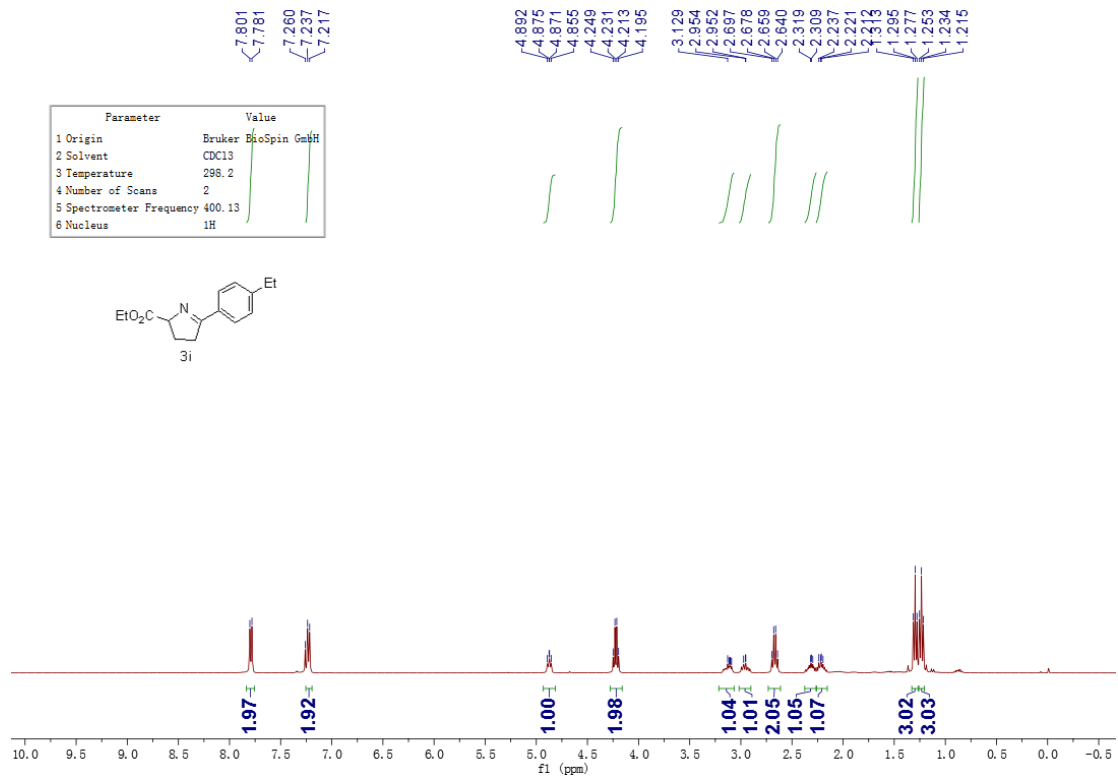
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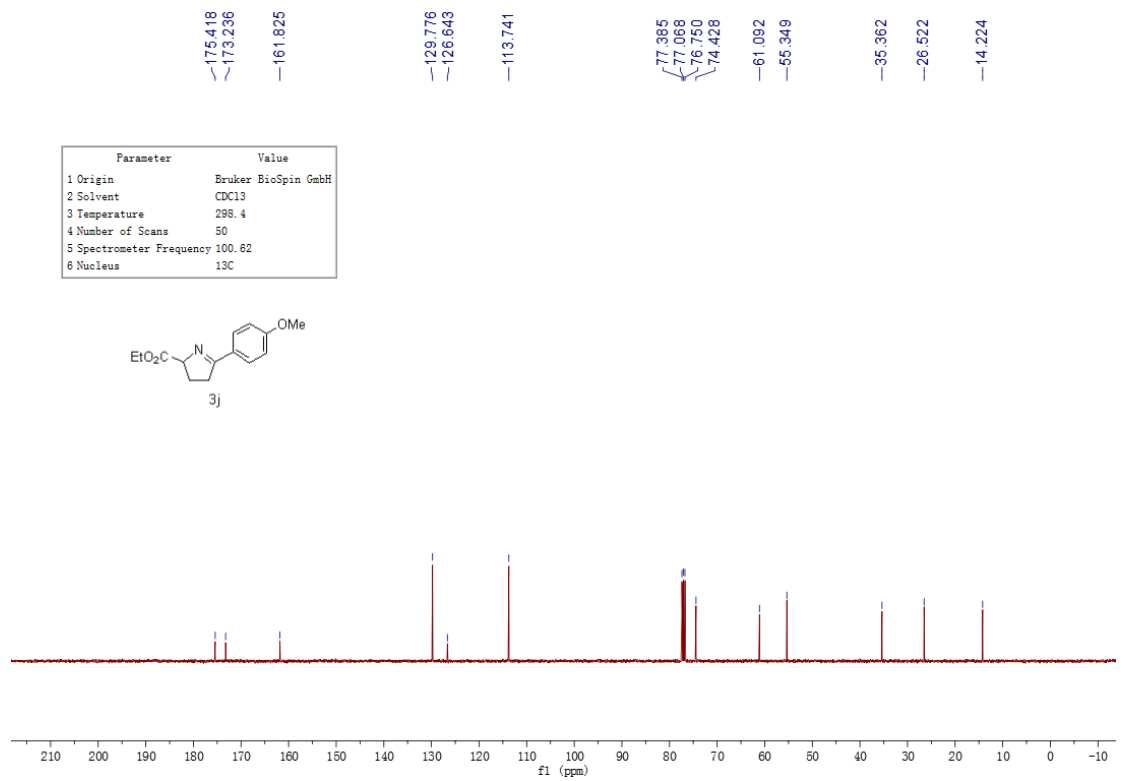
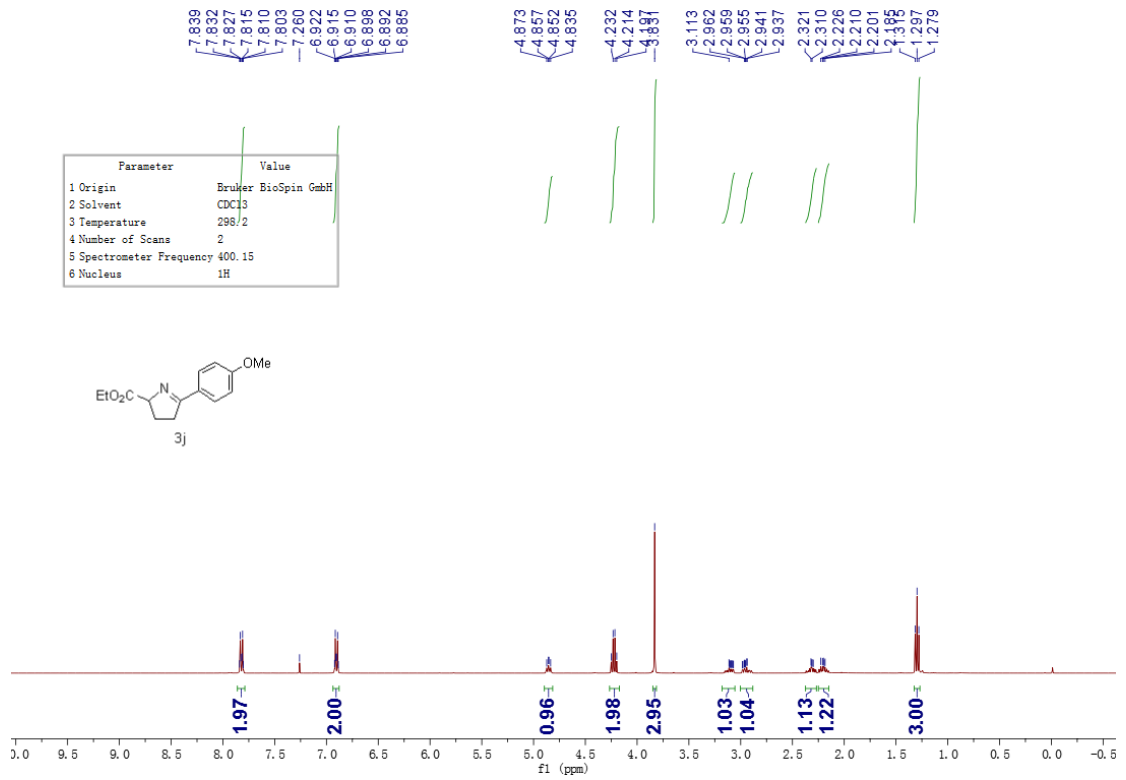


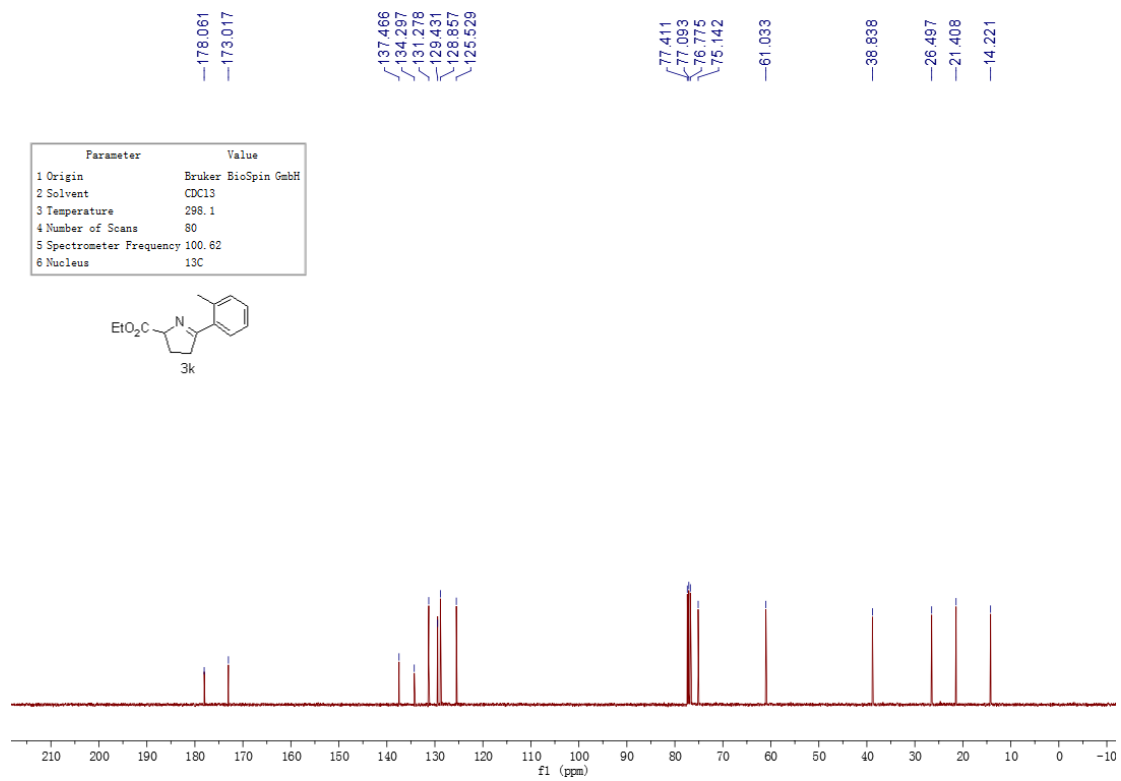
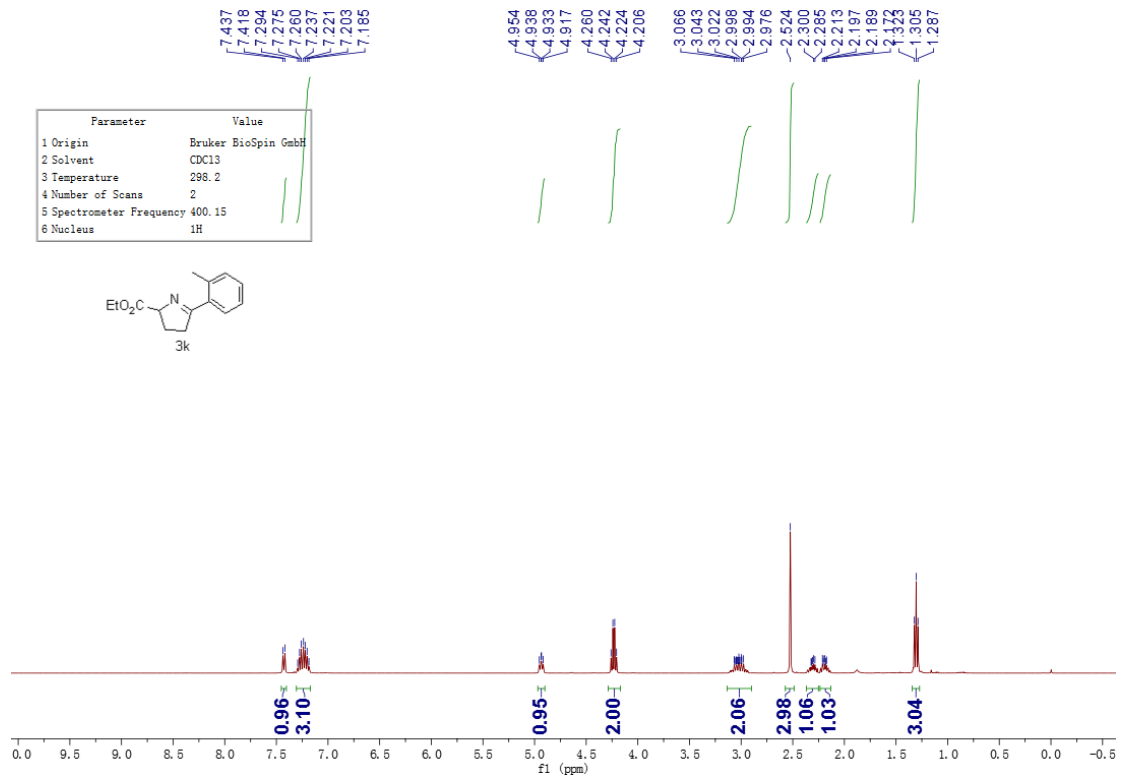


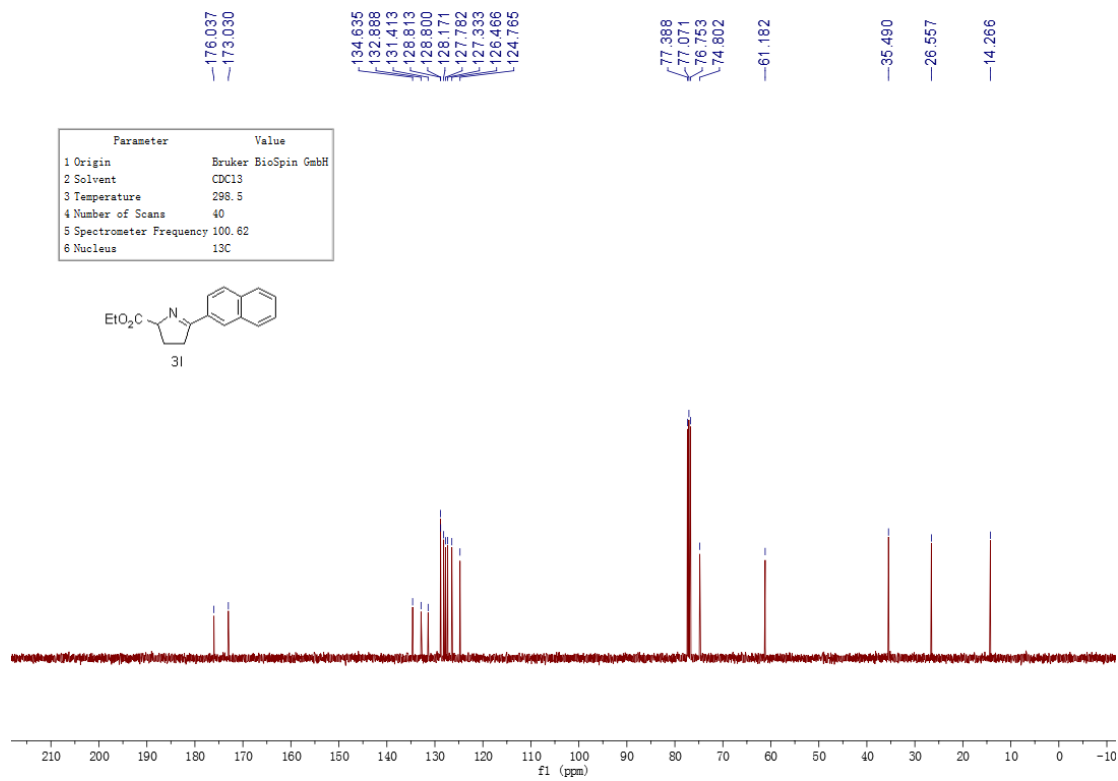
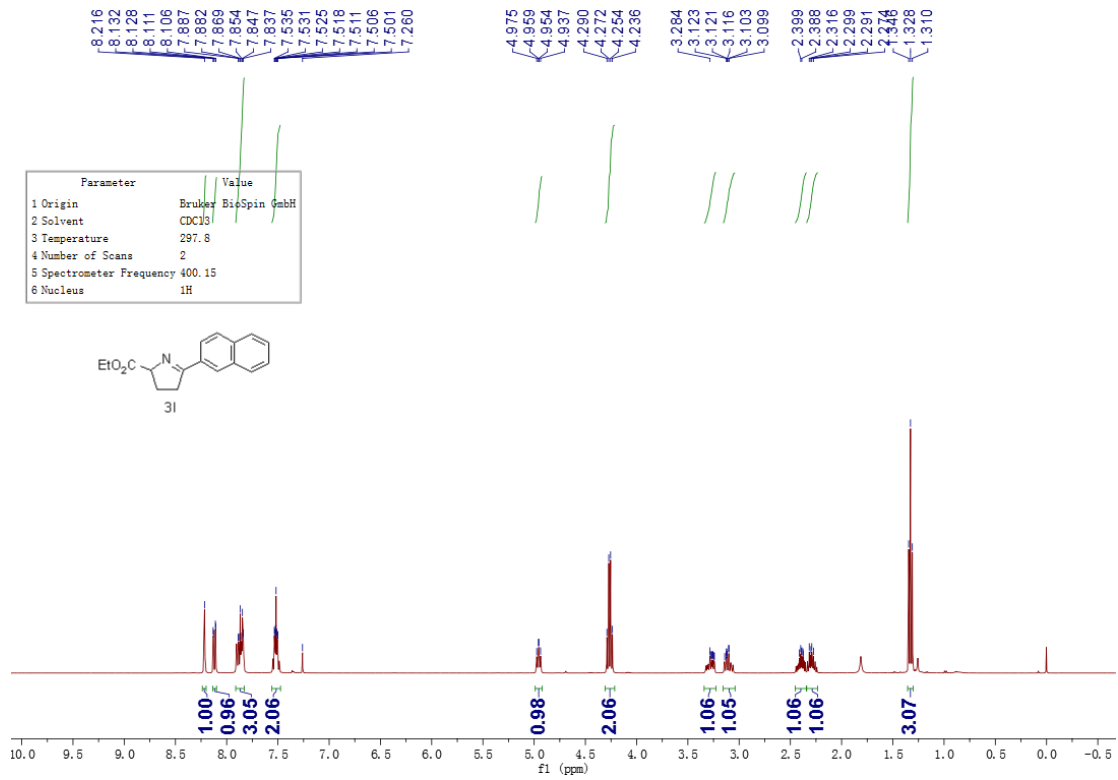


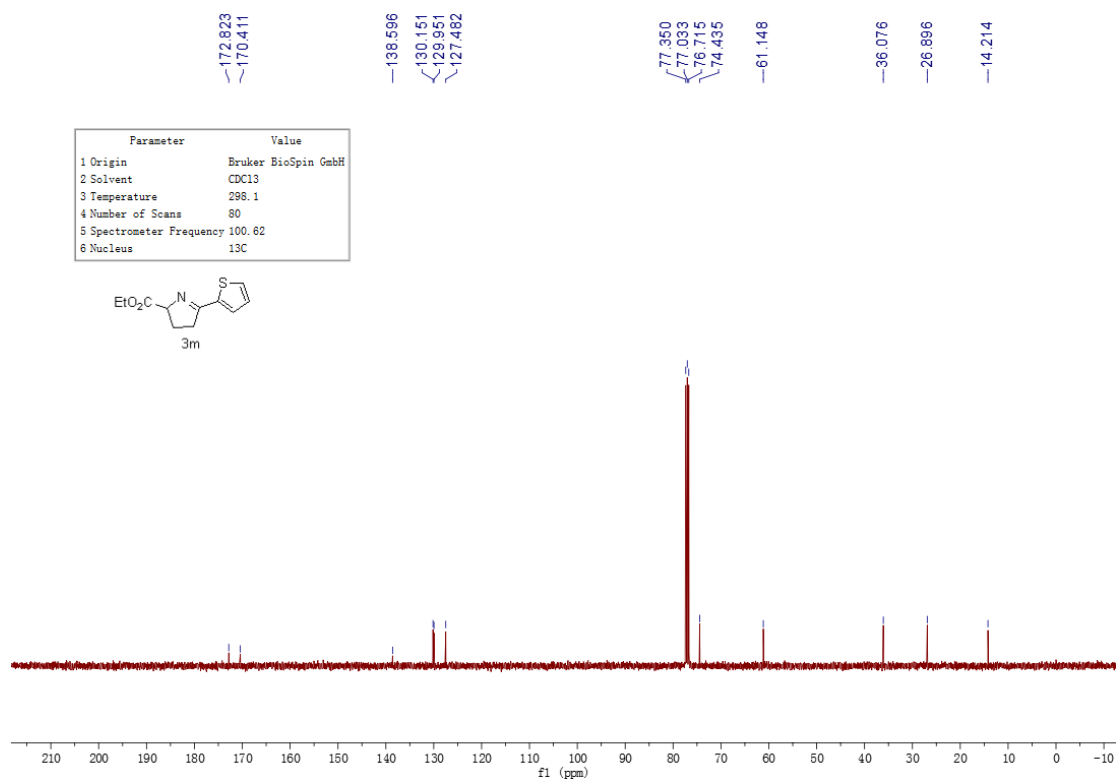
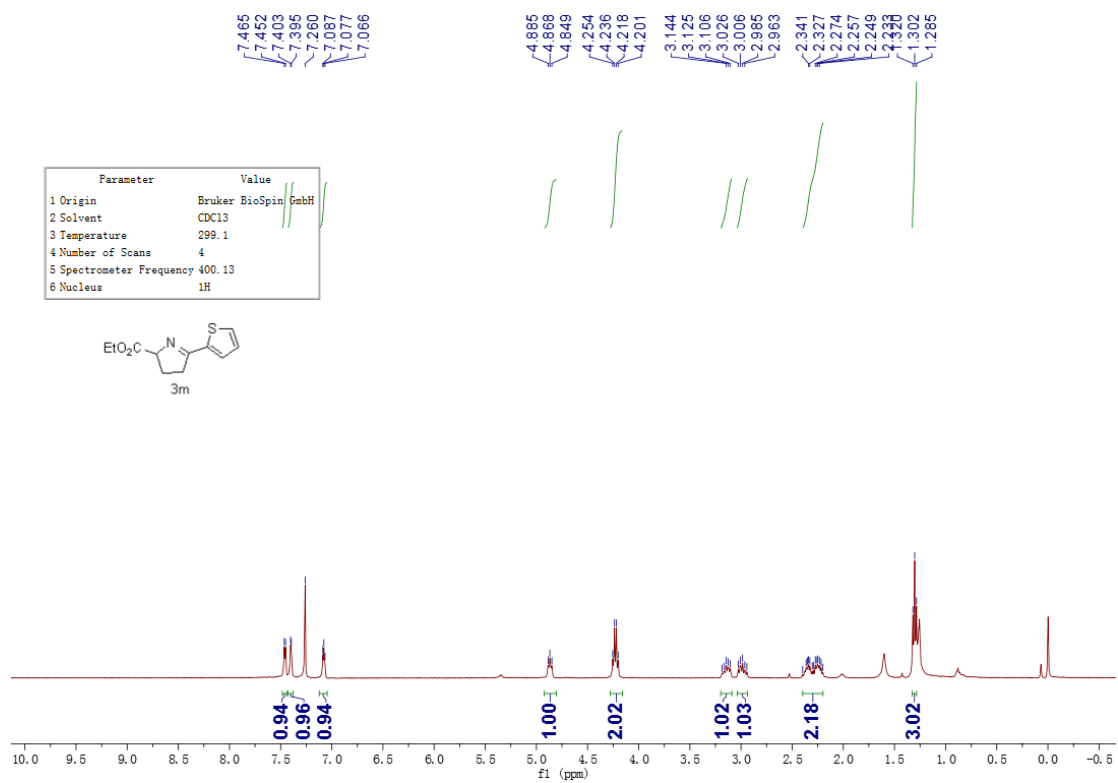


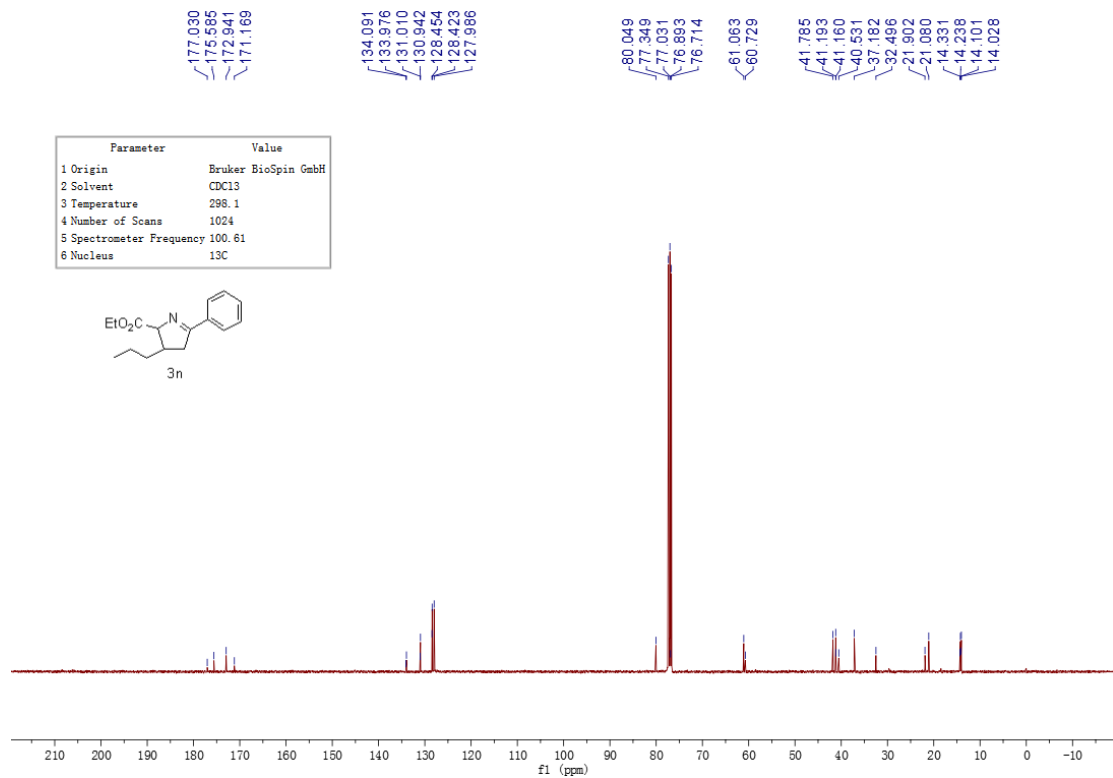
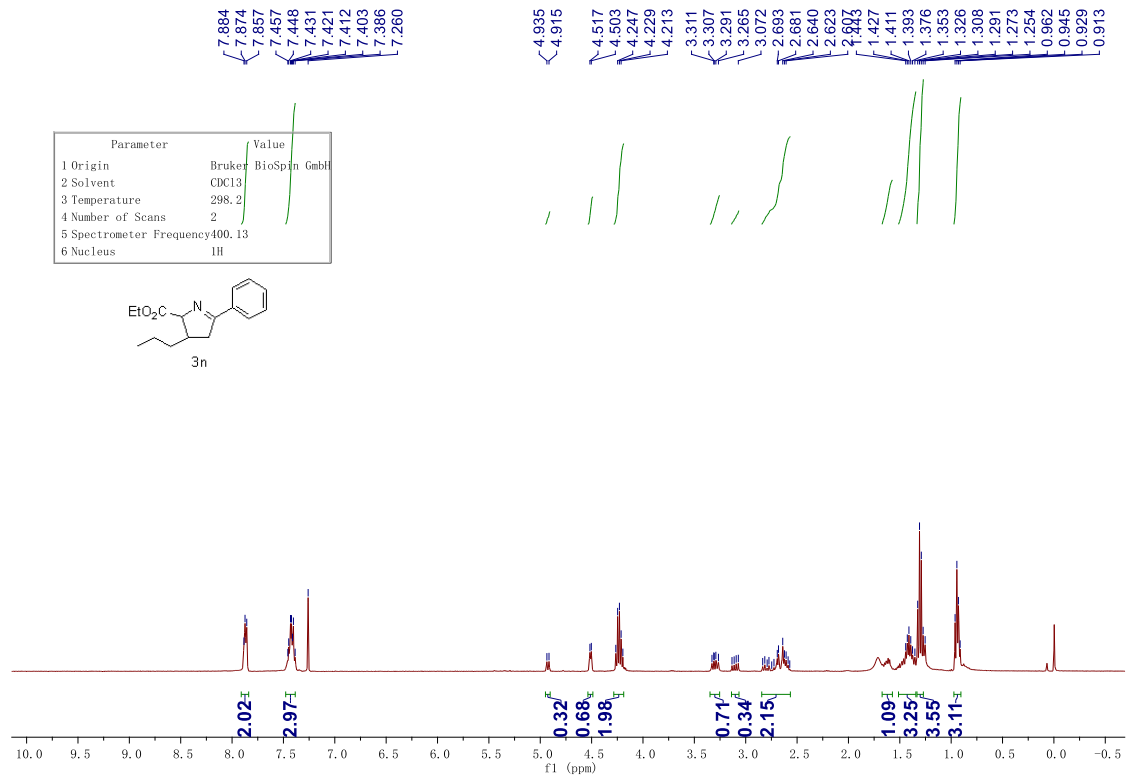


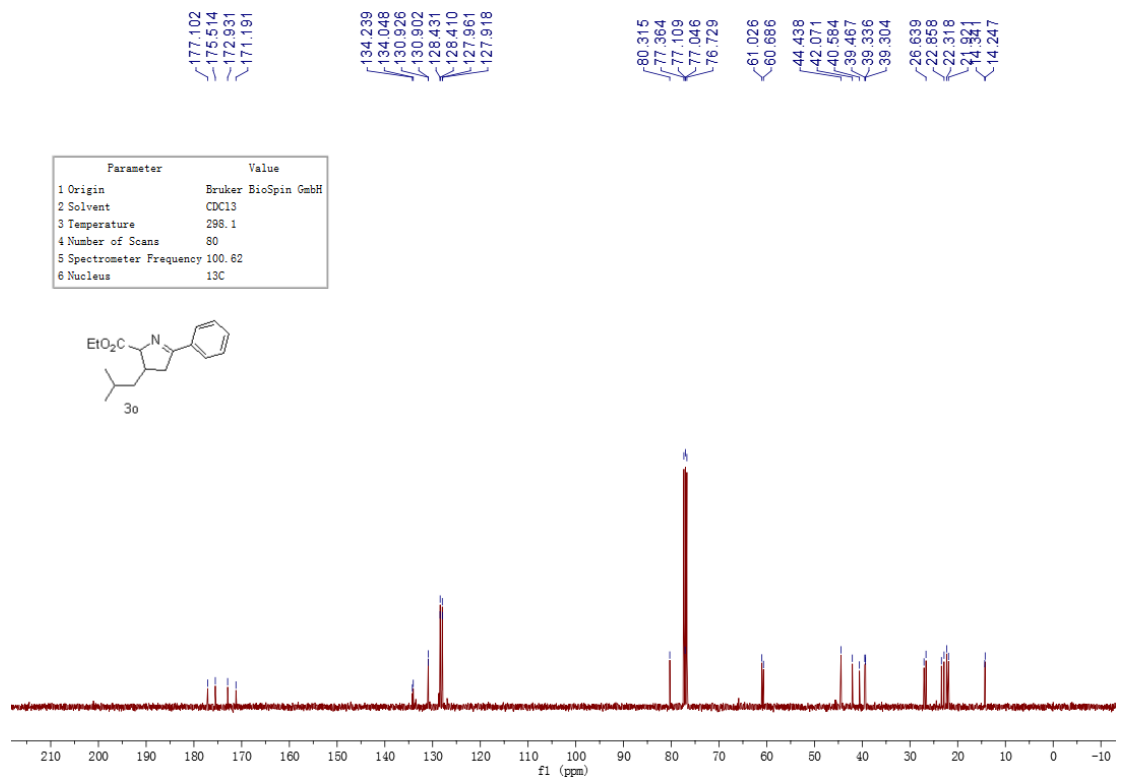
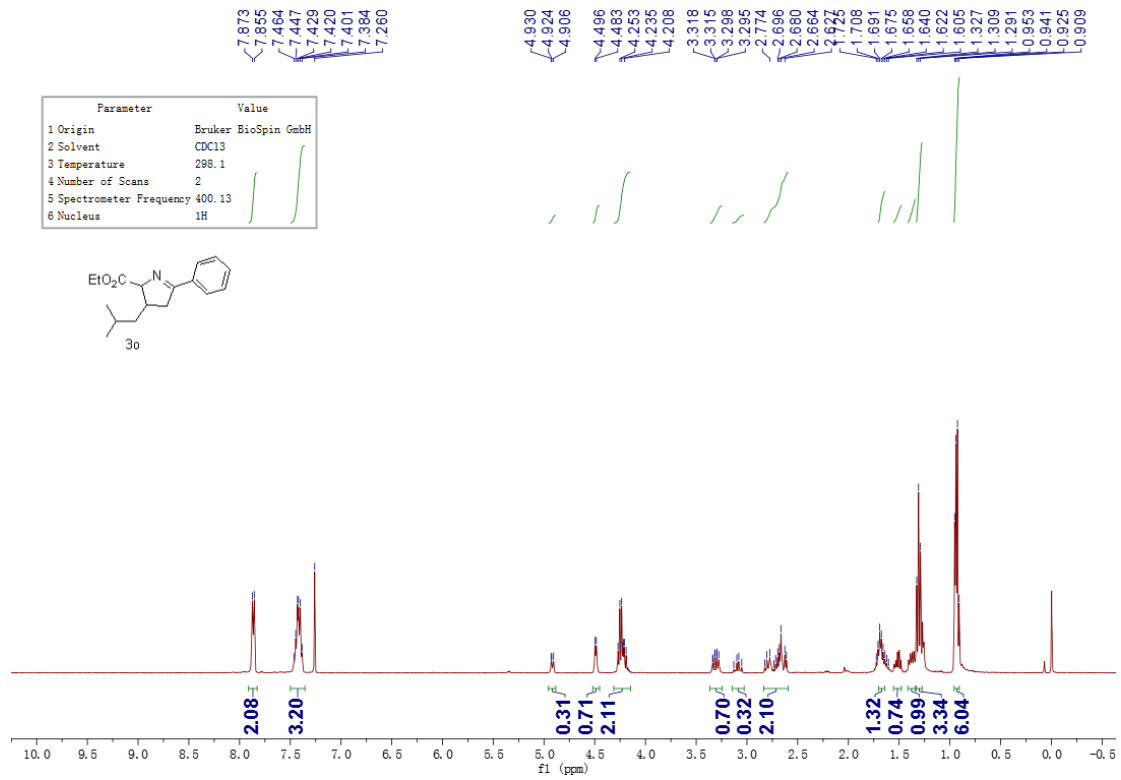


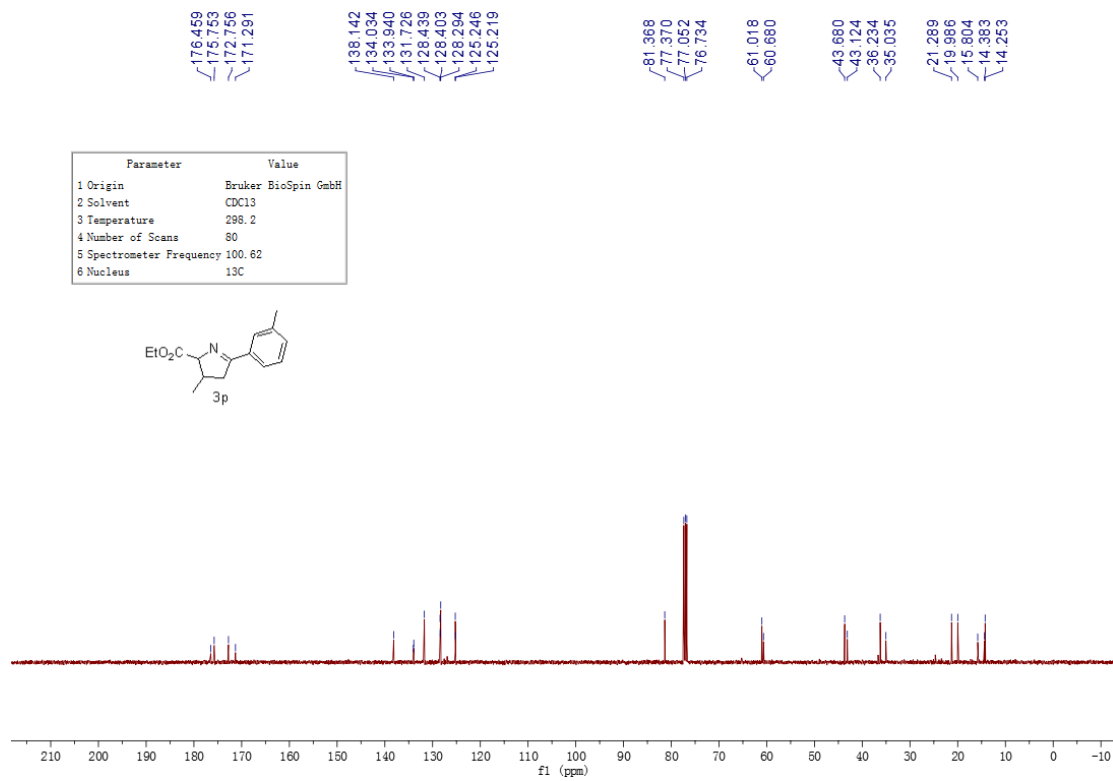
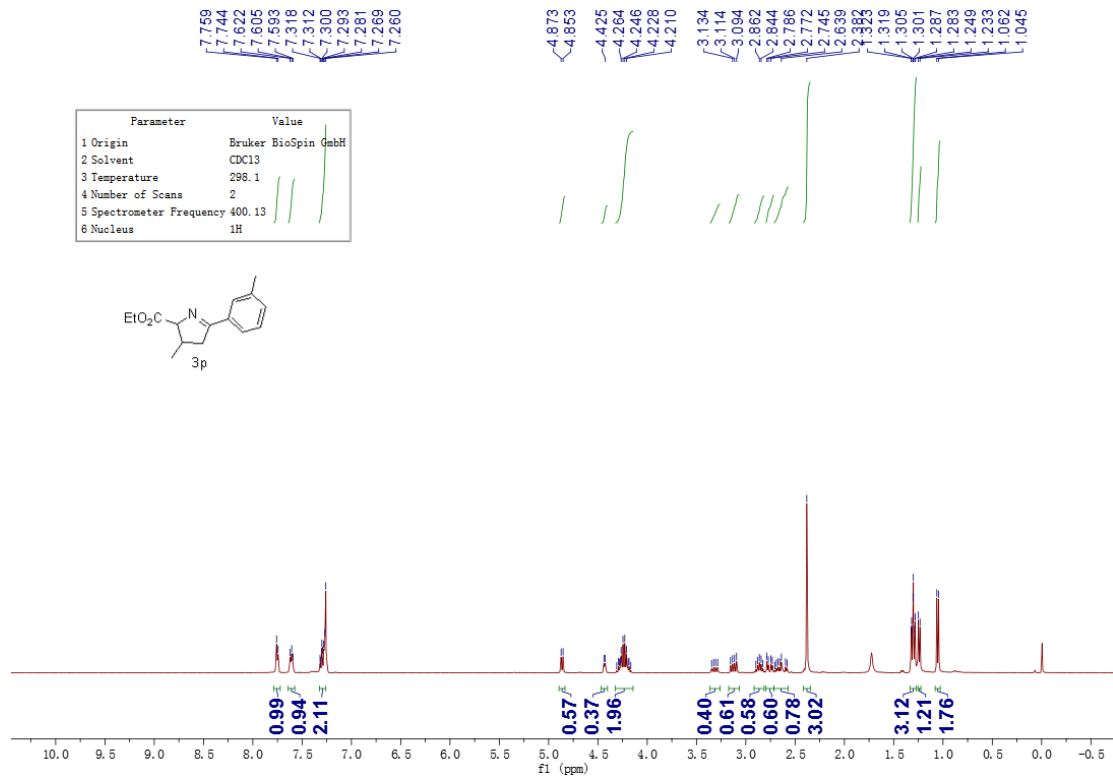


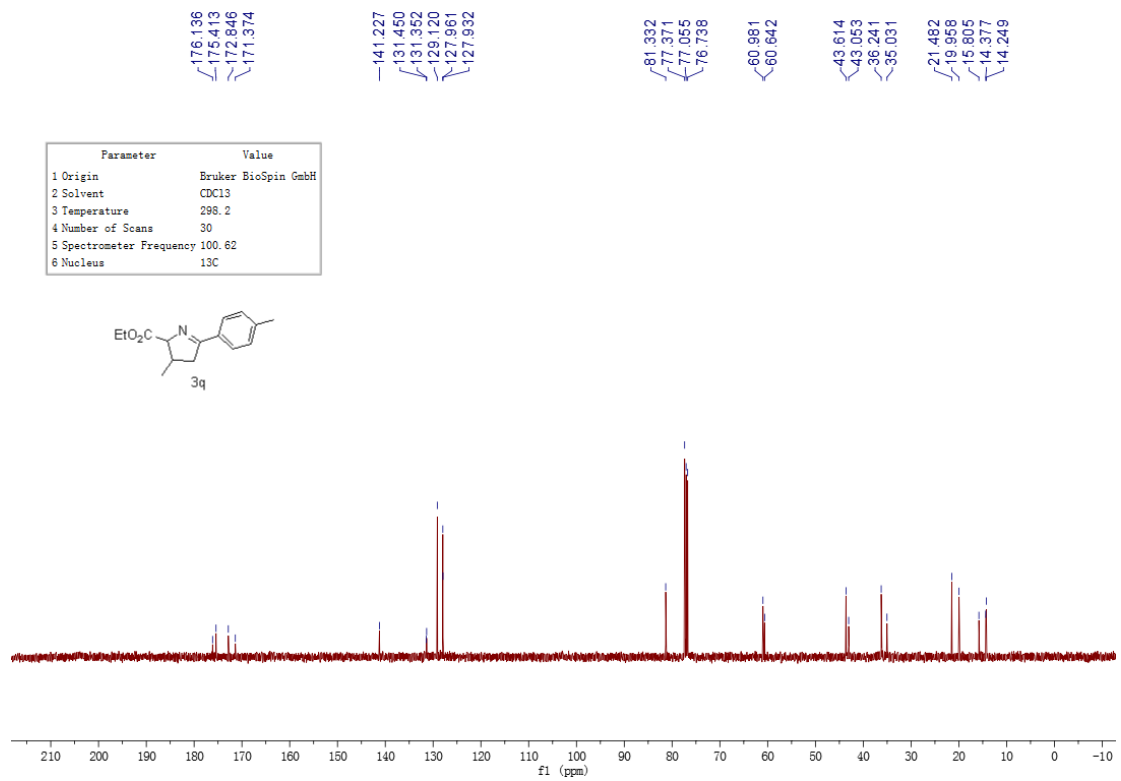
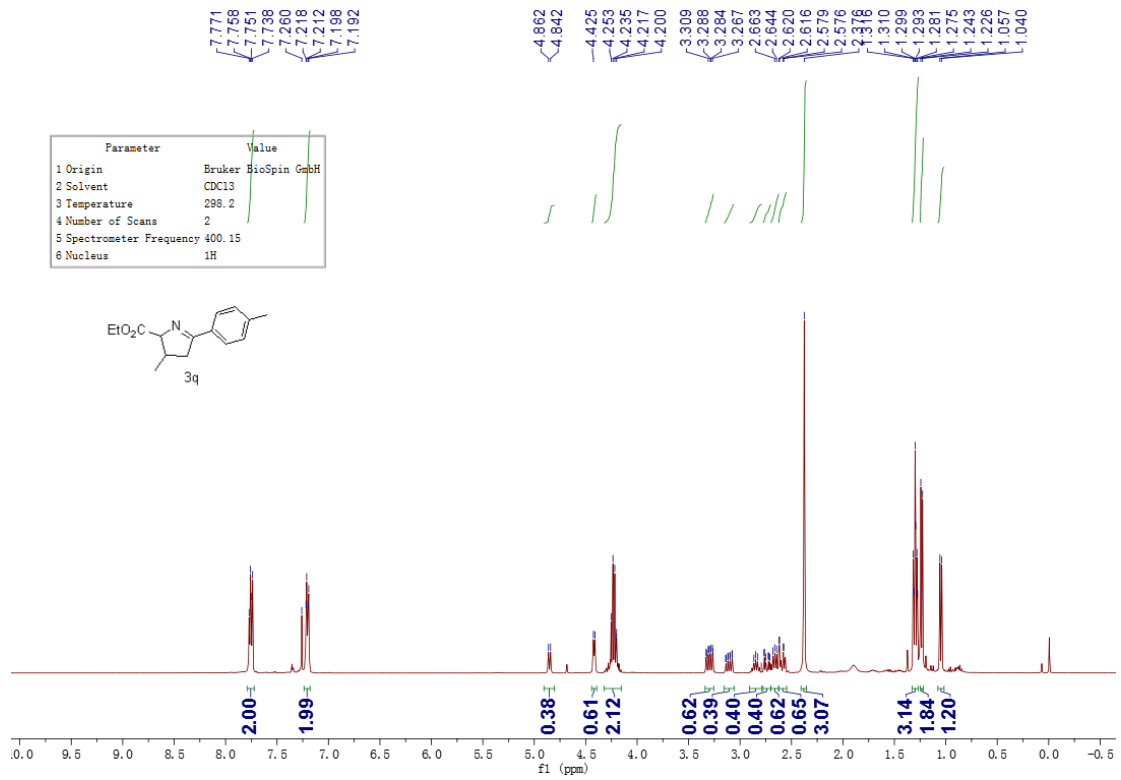






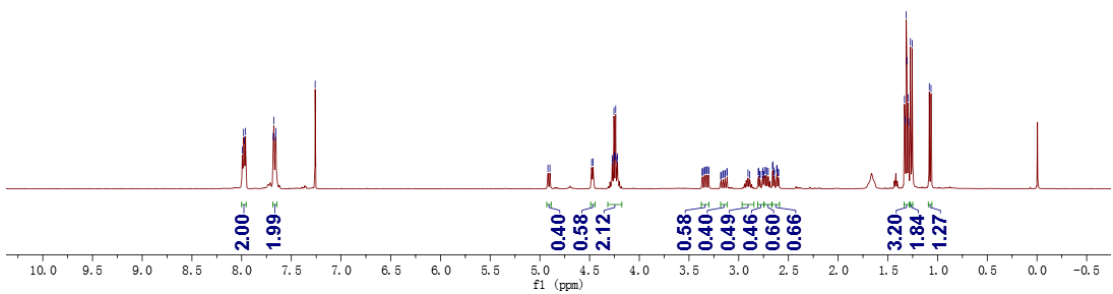
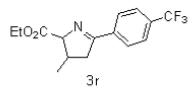






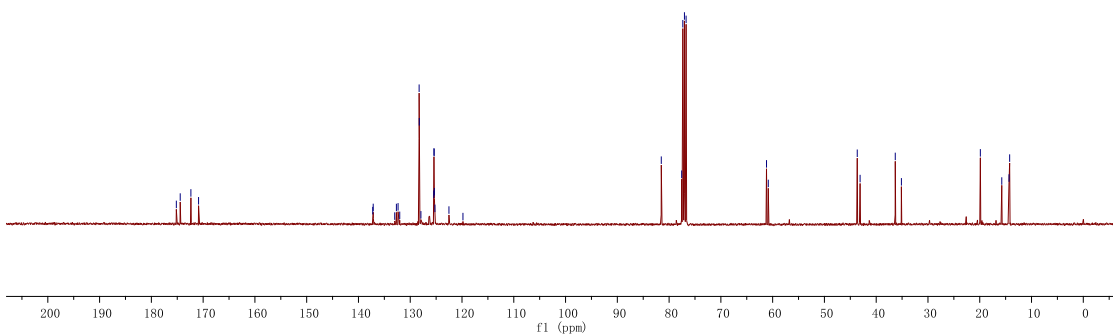
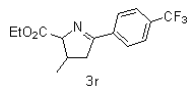
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Parameter	Value
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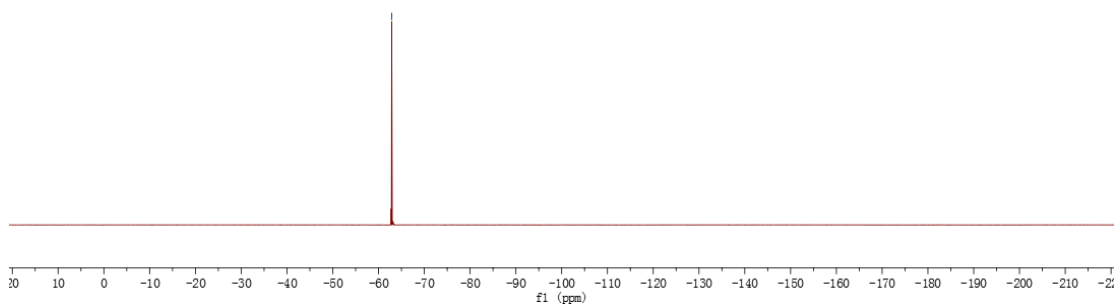
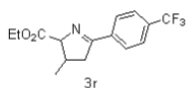
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6 Nucleus	¹³ C



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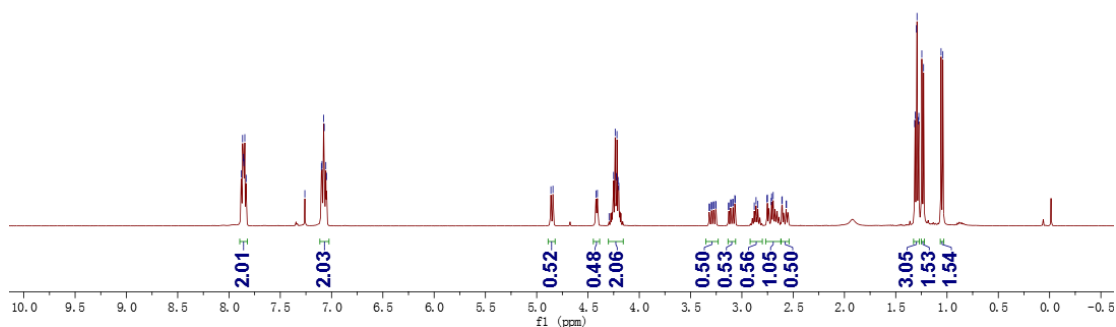
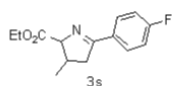
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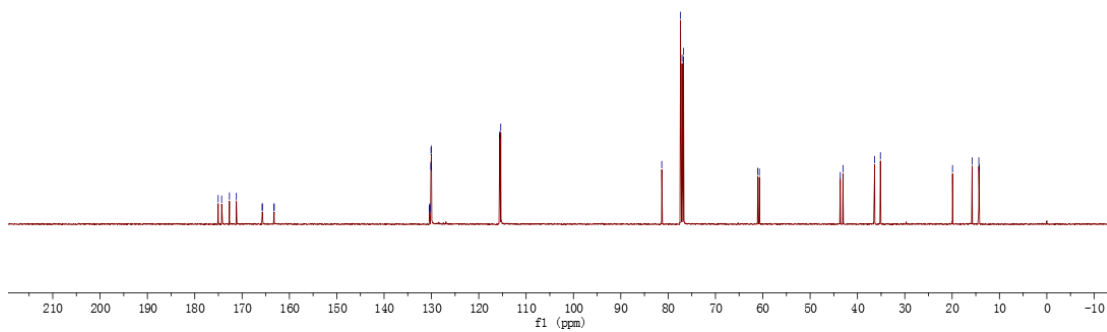
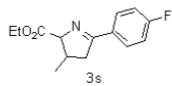
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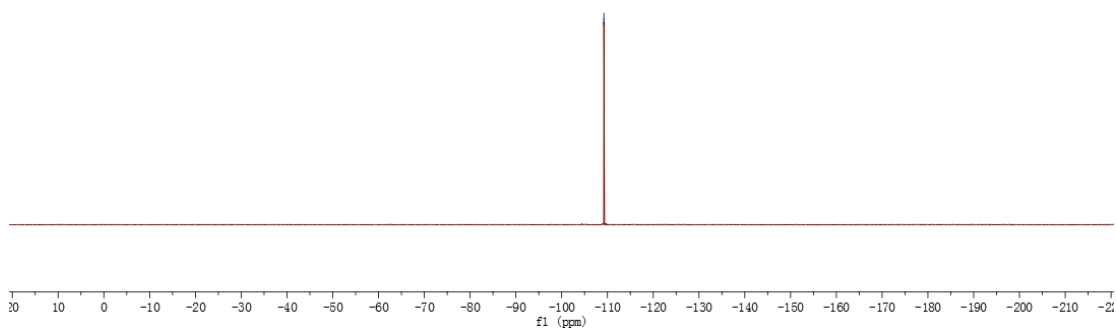
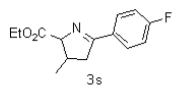
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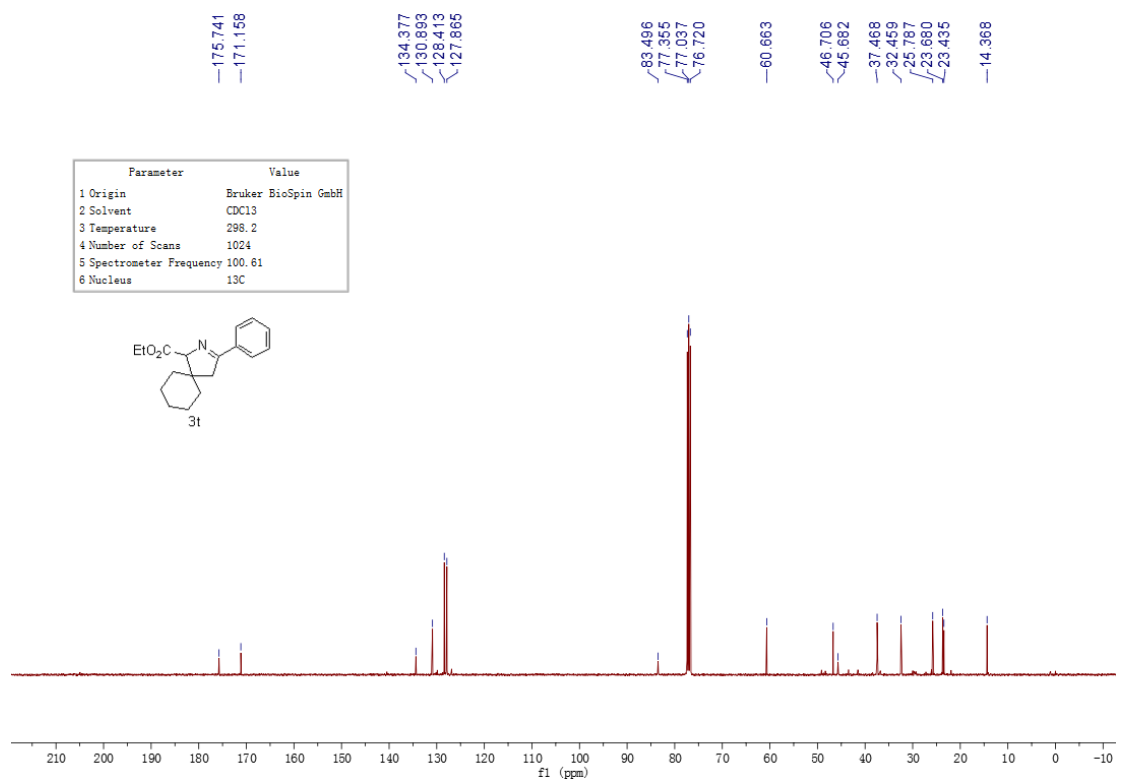
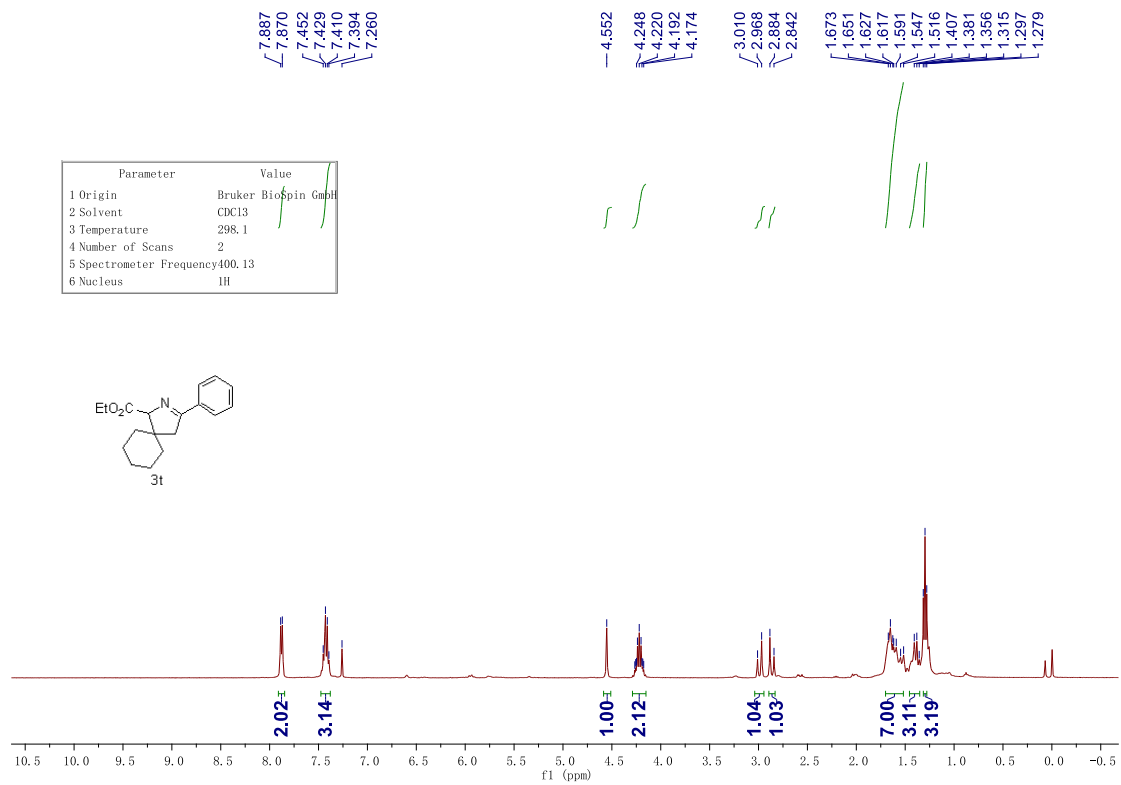
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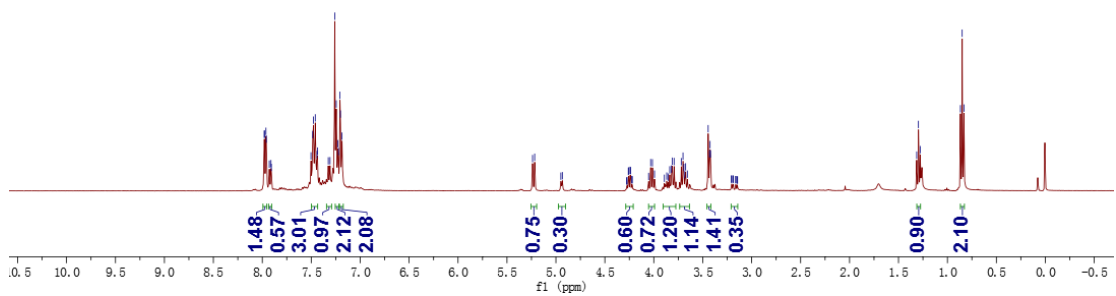
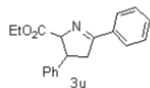
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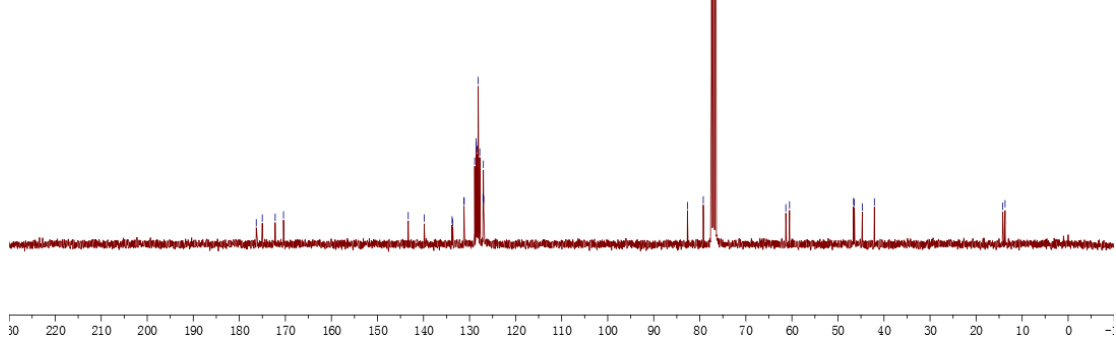
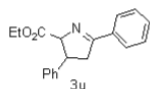
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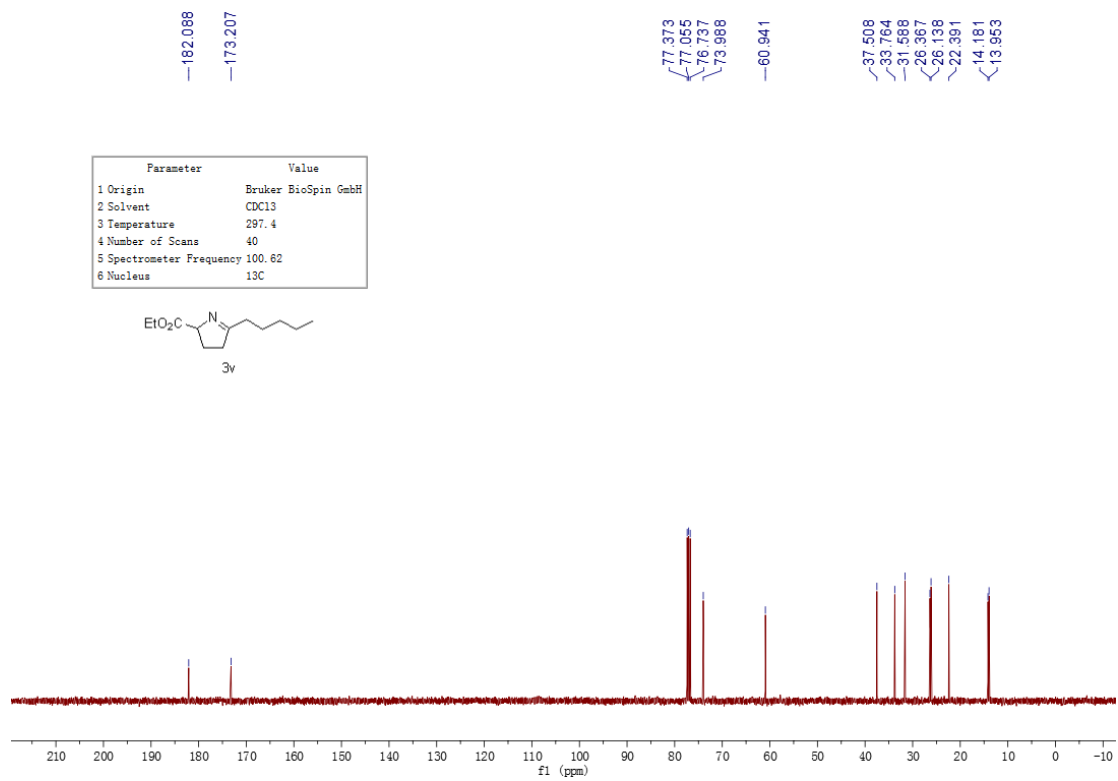
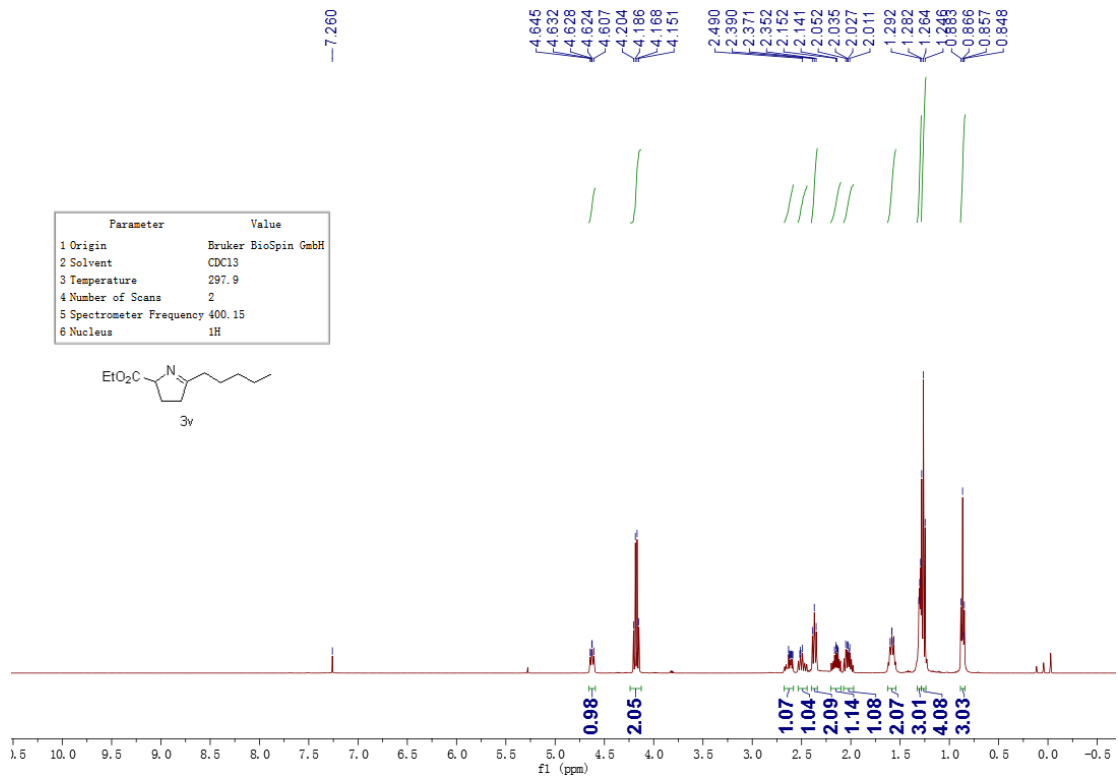
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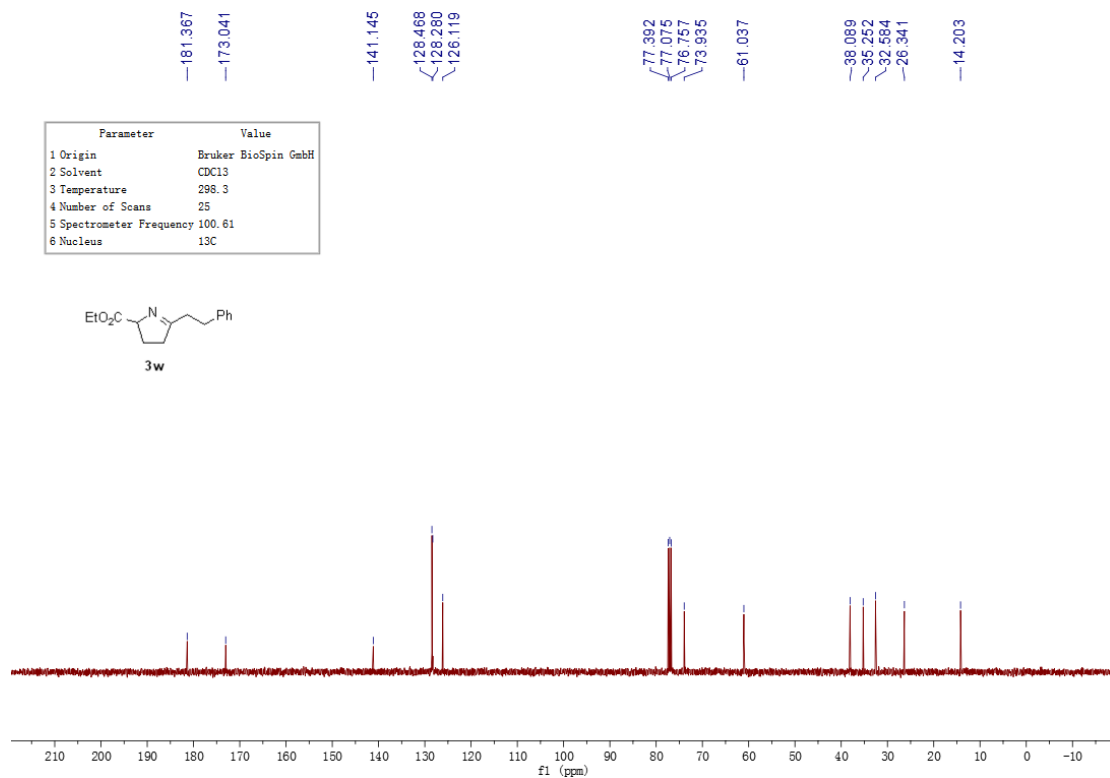
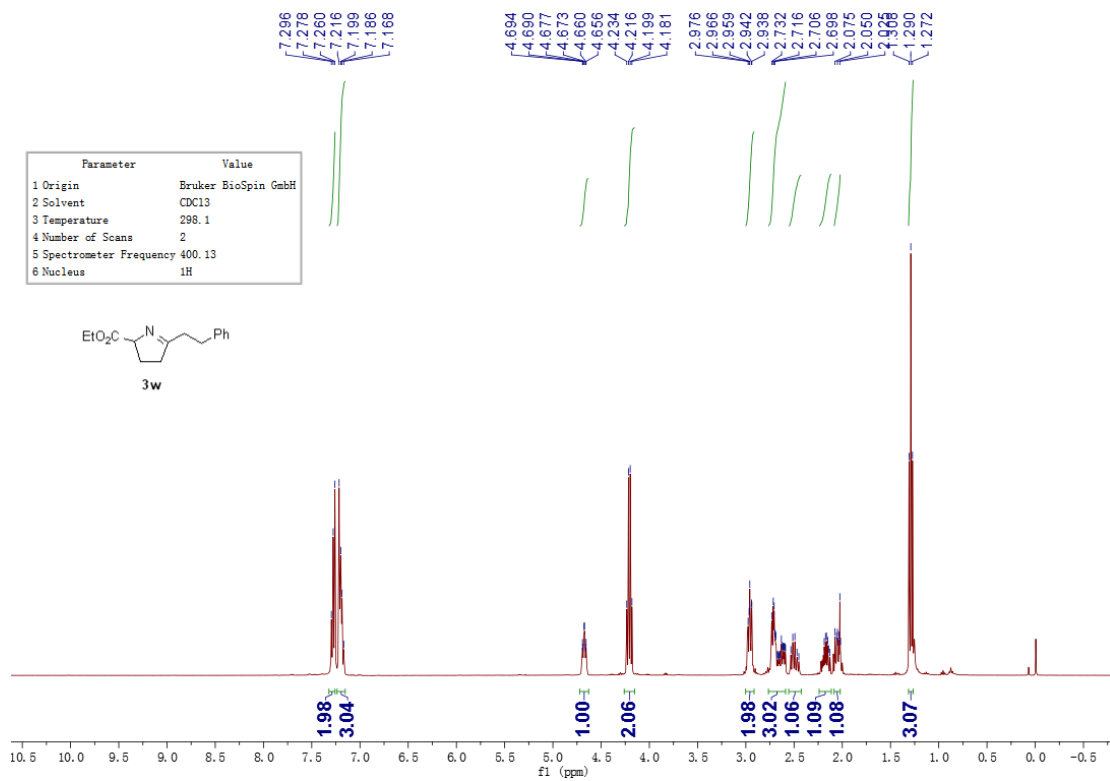


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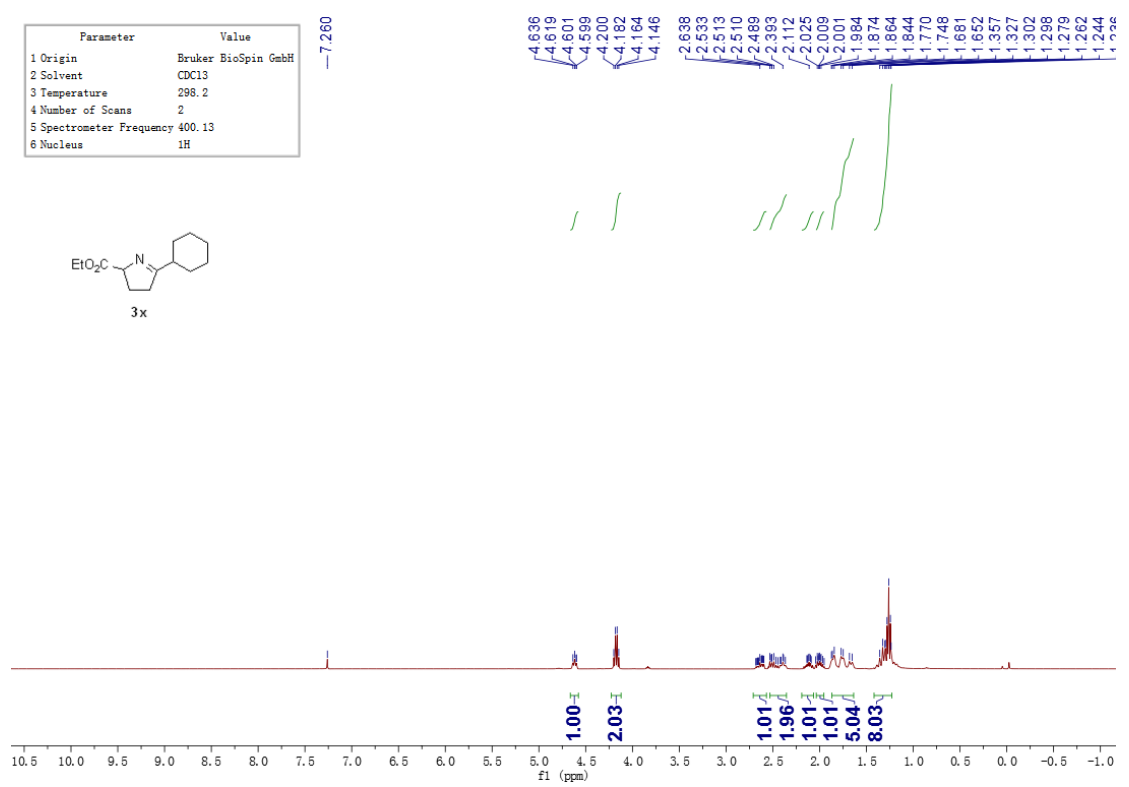
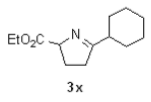
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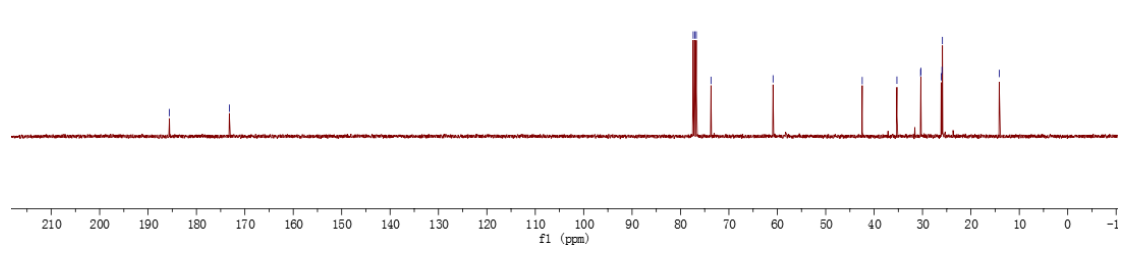
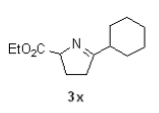
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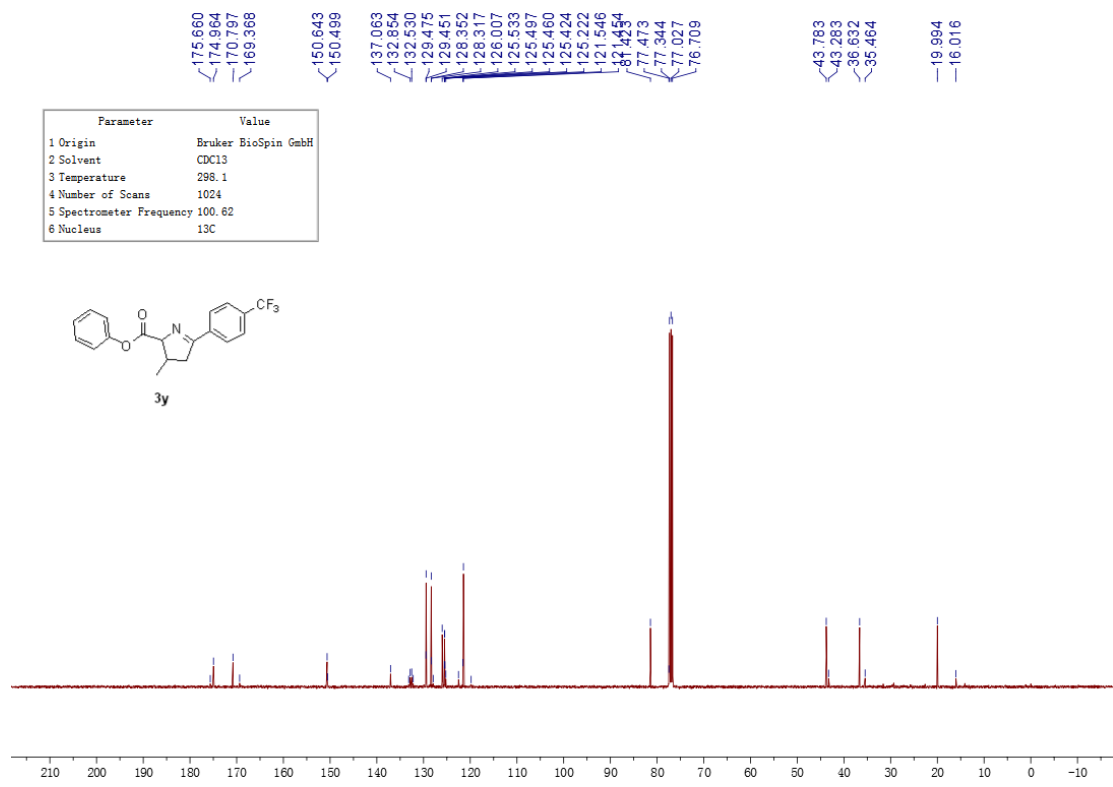
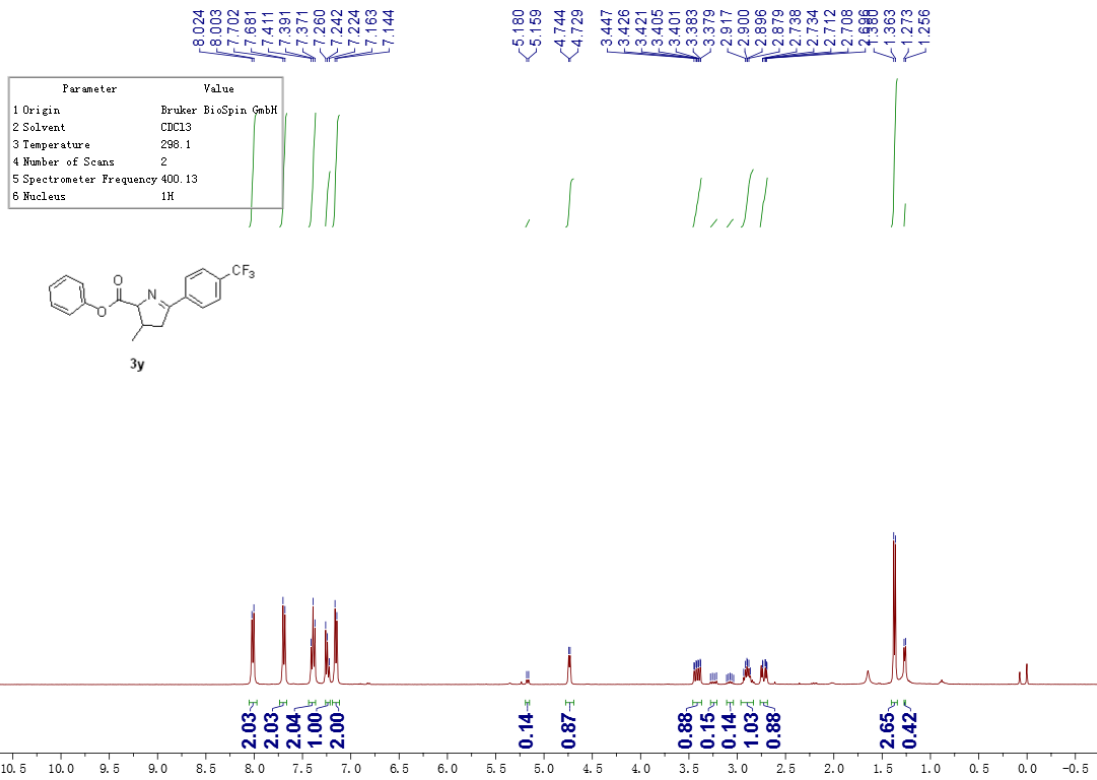


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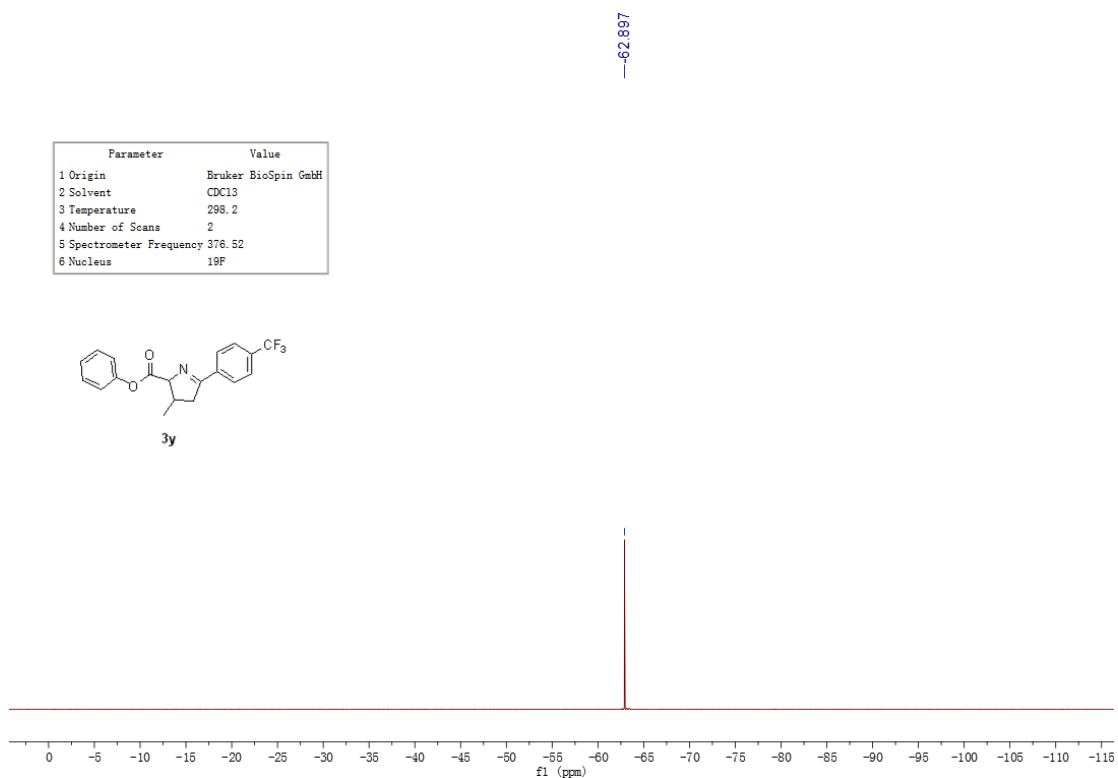
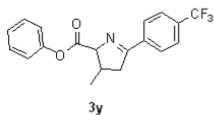
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2 Solvent	CDCl3
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4 Number of Scans	60
5 Spectrometer Frequency	100.62
6 Nucleus	13C





Parameter	Value
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2 Solvent	CDCl3
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5 Spectrometer Frequency	376.52
6 Nucleus	19F

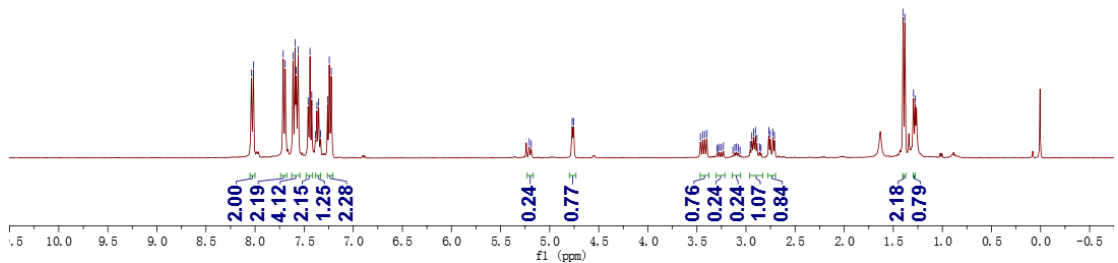
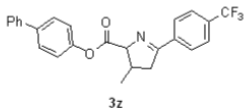


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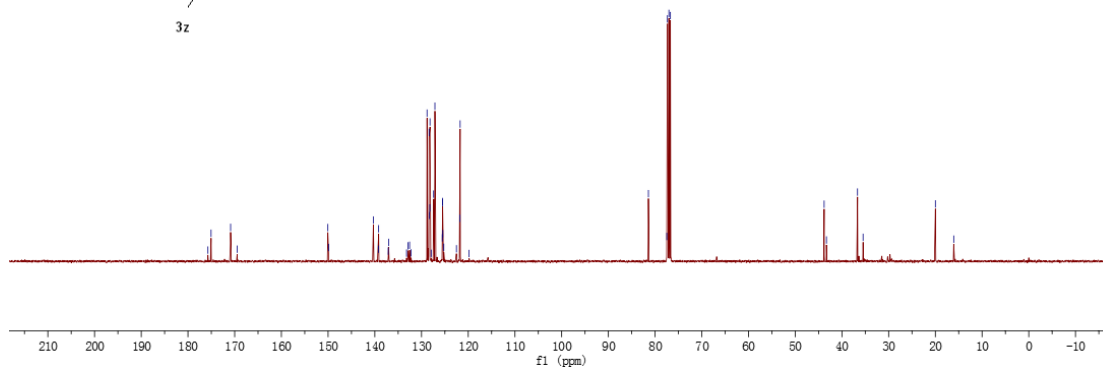
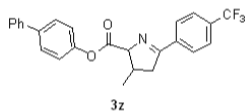
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2 Solvent	CDCl3
3 Temperature	298.1
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5 Spectrometer Frequency	400.13
6 Nucleus	1H



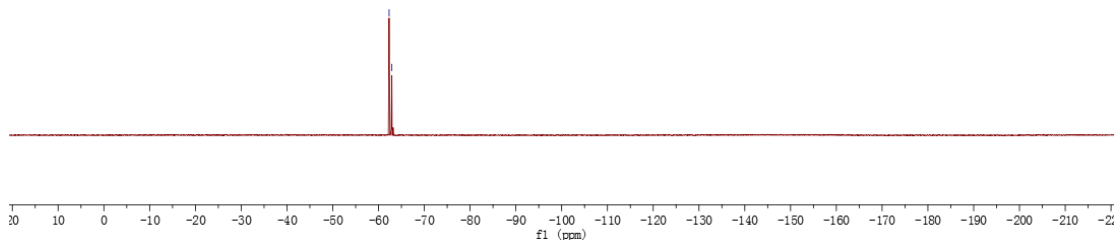
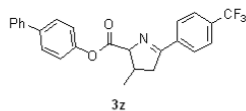
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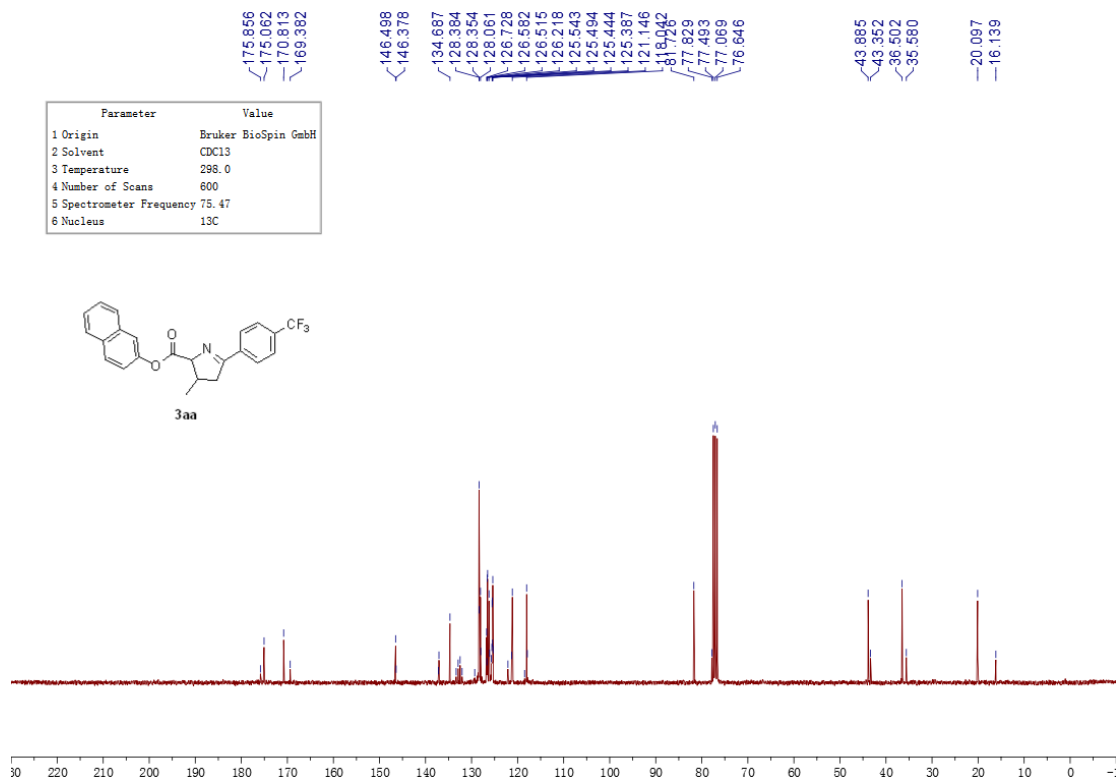
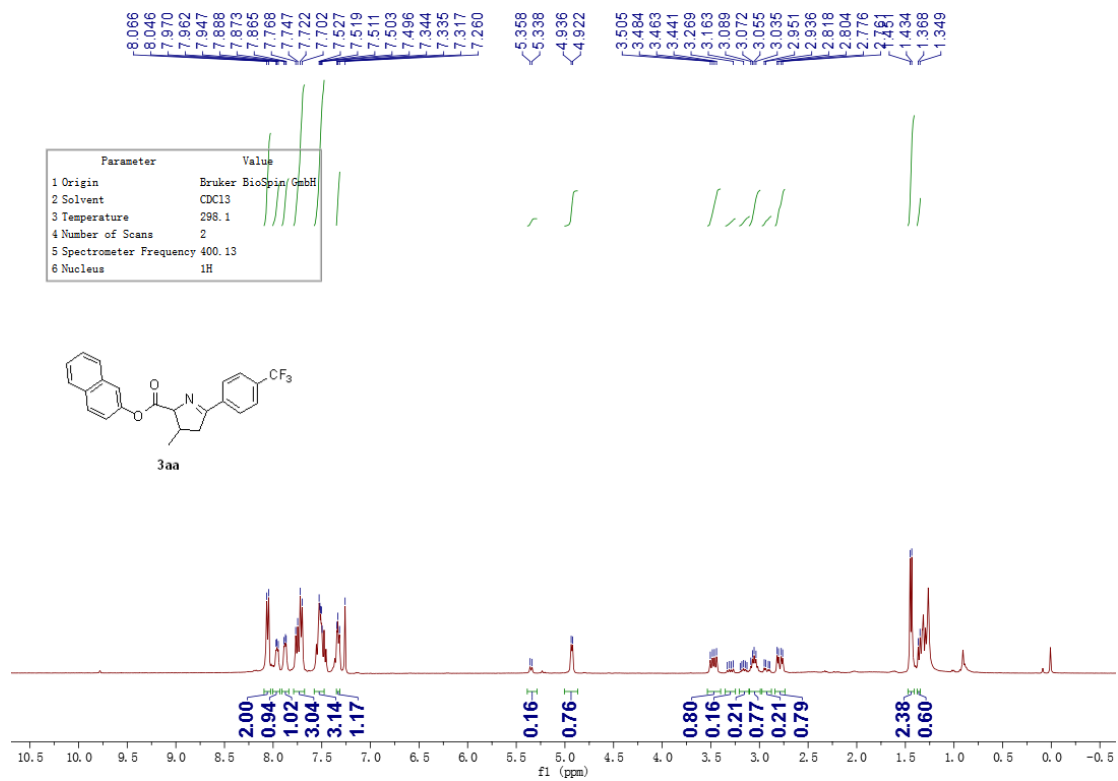
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6 Nucleus	13C



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5 Spectrometer Frequency	376.52
6 Nucleus	19F

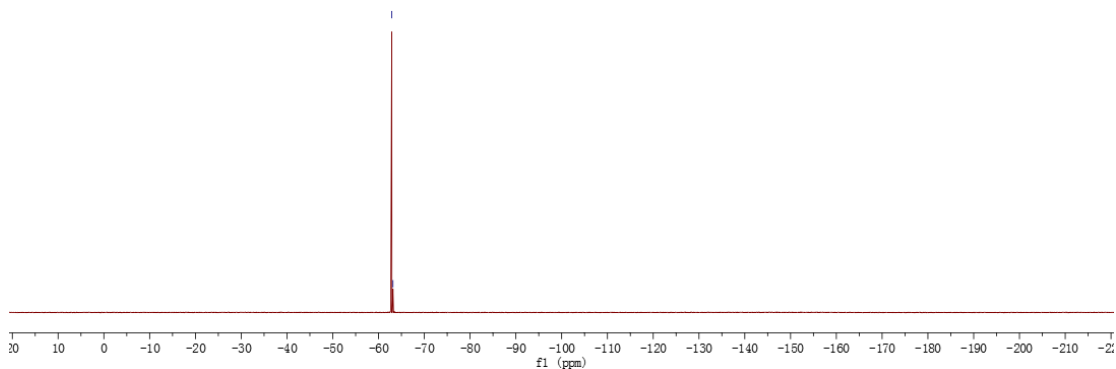
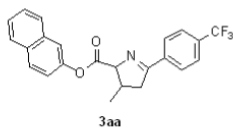
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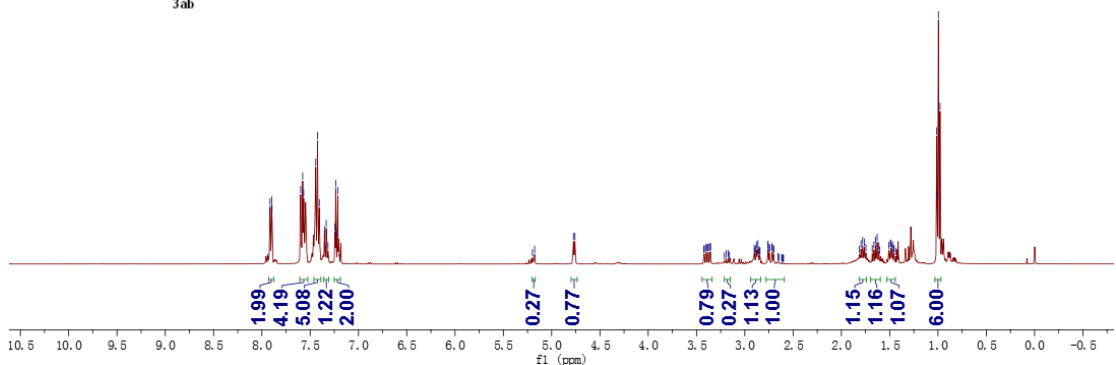
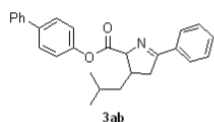
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6 Nucleus	19F

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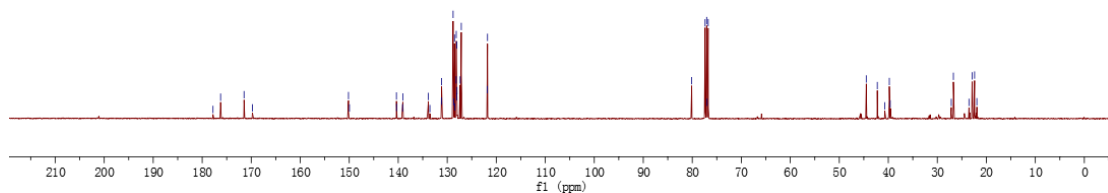
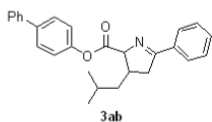
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Parameter	Value
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2 Solvent	CDCl3
3 Temperature	298.2
4 Number of Scans	2
5 Spectrometer Frequency	400.15
6 Nucleus	1H



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Parameter	Value
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2 Solvent	CDCl3
3 Temperature	298.2
4 Number of Scans	1024
5 Spectrometer Frequency	100.62
6 Nucleus	13C



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Parameter	Value
1 Origin	Bruker BioSpin GmbH
2 Solvent	CDCl3
3 Temperature	298.2
4 Number of Scans	2
5 Spectrometer Frequency	400.13
6 Nucleus	1H

