Supporting Information

Lewis/Brønsted Acid-Mediated Cyclization/Amidation of 1,6-Enynes with Nitriles: Access to 3-Enamide Substituted Dihydrobenzofurans

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General Information

Melting points were determined with a Buchi Melting Point B-545 instrument. ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded using a Bruker DRX-400 spectrometer with Dimethyl sulfoxide- d_6 (DMSO- d_6) and chloroform-d (CDCl₃) as solvent. The peaks were internally referenced to residual solvent signal (2.5 and 39.5 ppm for dimethyl sulfoxide-d6) and TMS (0.00 ppm) or residual solvent signal (7.26 and 77.0 ppm for chloroform-d). IR spectra were obtained either as potassium bromide pellets or as liquid films between two potassium bromide pellets with a Bruker TENSOR 27 spectrometer. The data of HRMS was carried out on a high-resolution mass spectrometer (LCMSIT-TOF). TLC was performed by using commercially prepared 100-400 mesh silica gel plates and visualization was affected at 254 nm. Data collections for crystal structure were performed at room temperature (170 K) using MoK α radiation on a 'Bruker D8 VENTURE' diffractometer. Unless otherwise noted, all reagents and solvents were purchased from commercial suppliers and used without further purification.

Condition Optimization

	+ —C≡N ⁻ 2a	Lewis acid (1 equiv) HOAc (1 equiv) DCE, 50 °C, N ₂ , 12 h	C=O NH O 3a
Entry	Lewis acid	Yield of $3a (\%)^b$	Z/E^{c}
1	BF ₃ ·Et ₂ O	51	2:1
2	AgOTf	n.d.	
3	Cu(OTf) ₂	trace	
4	CuCl ₂	n.d.	
5	Zn(OTf) ₂	n.d.	
6	ZnCl ₂	n.d.	

Table S1. Screening of Lewis Acid^a

7	Fe(OTf) ₃	trace	
8	FeCl ₃	n.d.	
9	FeCl ₂	n.d.	
10	Y(OTf) ₃	trace	
11	SnCl ₄	trace	
12	AlCl ₃	trace	
13	BPh ₃	n.d.	
14	$B(C_6F_6)_3$	n.d.	
15	BCl ₃	trace	
16	MeOTf	trace	

^a Reaction conditions: 1a (0.1 mmol), 2a (10 equiv), Lewis acid (1 equiv), HOAc (1 equiv), DCE (0.5 mL), under nitrogen at 50 °C for 12 h. n.d. = not detected. ^bDetermined by ¹H NMR using CH_2Br_2 as internal standard. ^{*c*}Z/E Determined by ¹H NMR.

Table S2. Screening of Brønsted Acid^a

	BF3•E	Et ₂ O (1 equiv)	Ç=0 ₩NH
	C-N	$\stackrel{\text{d}acid (1 equiv)}{50 {}^{\circ}\text{C}, \text{N}_2, 12 \text{h}}$	
1a	2a		3a
Entry	Brønsted acid	Yield of $3a (\%)^b$	Z/E ^c
1	Formic acid	24	5:1
2	Propionic acid	72	5:1
3	<i>n</i> -Butyric acid	32	2:1
4	<i>n</i> -Pentanoic acid	57	2:1
5	TfOH	13	2:1
6	H ₃ BO ₃	trace	
7	Malonic acid	trace	
8	Lactic acid	trace	
9	CF ₃ CO ₂ H	n.d.	
10	(CH ₃) ₃ CCO ₂ H	62	4:1

11	PhCO ₂ H	53	4:1
12	Tartaric acid	trace	
13	TsOH	n.d.	
14	Salicylic acid	n.d.	

^{*a*} Reaction conditions: **1a** (0.1 mmol), **2a** (10 equiv), Lewis acid (1 equiv), Brønsted acid (1 equiv), DCE (0.5 mL), under nitrogen at 50 °C for 12 h. n.d. = not detected. ^{*b*}Determined by ¹H NMR using CH₂Br₂ as internal standard. ^{*c*}Z/*E* Determined by ¹H NMR.

Table S3. Screening of Solvent^a

l 1a	+ —C≡N 2a	BF ₃ •Et ₂ O (1 equiv) Propionic acid (1 equiv) Solvent, 50 °C, N ₂ , 12 h	C=0 NH
Entry ^a	Solvent	Yield of $3a (\%)^b$	Z/E^{c}
1	DCM	39	3:1
2	DMF	n.d.	
3	DMA	n.d.	
4	THF	n.d.	
5	Dioxane	n.d.	

^{*a*} Reaction conditions: **1a** (0.1 mmol), **2a** (10 equiv), $BF_3 \cdot Et_2O$ (1 equiv), propionic acid (1 equiv), solvent (0.5 mL), under nitrogen at 50 °C for 12 h. n.d. = not detected; ^{*b*}Detected by ¹H NMR using CH₂Br₂ as internal standard. ^{*c*}Z/*E* Determined by ¹H NMR.

Table S4. Screening of Temperature^a

	+ —C≡N 2a	BF ₃ •Et ₂ O (1 equiv) Propionic acid (1 equiv) DCE, T, N ₂ , 12 h	C=O MH Jo 3a
Entry	T (°C)	Yield of 3a (%) ^b	Z/E^{c}
1	40	68	3:1
2	60	63	3:1

^{*a*} Reaction conditions: **1a** (0.1 mmol), **2a** (10 equiv), BF₃·Et₂O (1 equiv), propionic acid (1 equiv), DCE (0.5 mL), under nitrogen for 12 h. n.d. = not detected; ^{*b*}Detected by ¹H NMR using CH₂Br₂ as internal standard. ^{*c*}Z/E Determined by ¹H NMR.

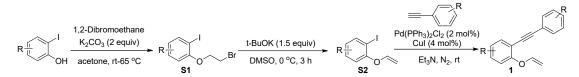
	+ -C 1a 2a	BF ₃ •Et ₂ O (x equiv) Propionic acid (x equiv) DCE, 50 °C, N ₂ , 12 h	C=0 NH O 3a	
Entry ^a	BF ₃ ·Et ₂ O (x equiv)	Propionic Acid (x equiv)	Yield of 3a (%) ^b	Z/E ^c
1	0.5	1	36	3:1
2	1.5	1	72	6:1
3	2	1	80	6:1
4	2.5	1	81	6:1
5	2	1.5	68	6:1

Table S5. Screening of Equivalents of Lewis acid and Brønsted acid^a

^{*a*} Reaction conditions: **1a** (0.1 mmol), **2a** (10 equiv), $BF_3 \cdot Et_2O$ (x equiv), propionic acid (x equiv), DCE (0.5 mL), under nitrogen at 50 °C for 12 h. n.d. = not detected; ^{*b*}Detected by ¹H NMR using CH₂Br₂ as internal standard. ^{*c*}Z/E Determined by ¹H NMR.

General Experimental Procedure

A. General Procedure for the Preparation of 1,6-Enynes^[1-6]



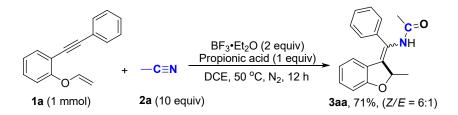
Synthesis of S1: To a stirred solution of 2-iodophenol (1 equiv) and 1,2dibromoethane (10 equiv) in acetone (0.1 M) was added K_2CO_3 (2 equiv). After the reaction was finished, the reaction was quenched with water (10 mL) and extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (20 mL × 3). The organic layer was washed with brine (10 mL), dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated by rotary evaporator under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography using a petroleum ether/AcOEt (100/1) as the eluent to give product **S1**. Synthesis of S2: A solution of S1 (2.9329 g, 9.0 mmol) in DMSO (50 mL) was stirred at room temperature. Then KO'Bu (1.5124 g, 13.5 mmol) in portions was added. The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 h. After the reaction was finished, The reaction was quenched with water (10 mL) and extracted with EtOAc (20 mL \times 3), dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated by rotary evaporator under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography using petroleum ether as the eluent to give product S2.

Synthesis of 1: To a solution of S2 (1.4831 g, 6.03 mmol) and substituted phenylacetylene (0.7099 g, 7.24 mmol) in trimethylamine (30 mL) was added $PdCl_2(PPh_3)_2$ (0.0847 g, 0.12 mmol) and CuI (0.0458 g, 0.24 mmol) under nitrogen. The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 h. Upon completion, the reaction mixture was filtered with a pad of Celite. The filtrate was then concentrated under vacuum. The residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography using a petroleum ether as the eluent to give product **1**.

B. General Procedure for the Preparation of 3-Enamide Substituted Dihydrobenzofurans



To a Schlenk tube was added enyne **1** (0.1 mmol, 0.1 M), nitrile **2** (1 mmol, 10 equiv), BF₃·Et₂O (24.7 uL, 2 equiv), propionic acid (7.5 uL, 1 equiv) and dry CH₂Cl₂ (1 mL). Then the tube was stirred at 50 °C (oil bath temperature) in nitrogen atmosphere for 12 h until complete consumption of starting materials as monitored by TLC. The mixture was cooled to room temperature and quenched with aqueous NaHCO₃ (10 mL), and extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL × 3). Collected organic layers were dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and concentrated in vacuum. The residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = $5/1 \sim 3/1$) to give product **3**.

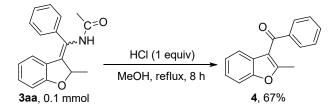


Scale-up reaction of 3aa: To a Schlenk tube was added enyne 1a (220 mg, 1 mmol), nitrile 2a (522 uL, 10 equiv), BF₃·Et₂O (250 uL, 2 equiv), propionic acid (75 uL, 1 equiv) and dry CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL). Then the tube was stirred at 50 °C (oil bath temperature) in nitrogen atmosphere for 12 h until complete consumption of starting materials as monitored by TLC. The mixture was cooled to room temperature and quenched with aqueous NaHCO₃ (30 mL), and extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (30 mL × 3). Collected organic layers were dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and concentrated in vacuum. The residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = $5/1 \sim 3/1$) to give the *Z/E* mixted product **3aa** (198.1 mg, 71% yield, *Z/E* = 6:1).

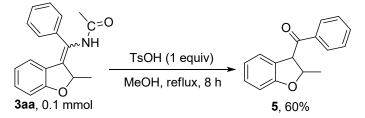


Scale-up reaction of 3ya: To a Schlenk tube was added enynes 1y (297 mg, 1 mmol), nitrile 2a (522 uL, 10 equiv), BF₃·Et₂O (250 uL, 2 equiv), propionic acid (75 uL, 1 equiv) and dry CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL). Then the tube was stirred at 50 °C (oil bath temperature) in nitrogen atmosphere for 12 h until complete consumption of starting materials as monitored by TLC. The mixture was cooled to room temperature and quenched with aqueous NaHCO₃ (30 mL), and extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (30 mL × 3). Collected organic layers were dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and concentrated in vacuum. The residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = $5/1 \sim 3/1$) to give the Z/E mixed product **3ya** (214.2 mg, 60% yield, Z/E = 4:1). Then Z/E mixed product **3ya** was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (CH₂Cl₂/petroleum ether = 8:1-10:1) to give **Z-3ya** (171.4 mg, 48% yield).

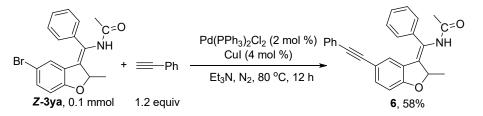
C. Synthetic Utility



Synthesis of 4: To a Schlenk tube was added **3aa** (27.9 mg, 0.1 mmol), HCl (3.2 uL, 1 equiv) and MeOH (1 mL). Then the tube was stirred at reflux for 12 h until complete consumption of starting materials as monitored by TLC. The mixture was cooled to room temperature and quenched with aqueous NaHCO₃ (10 mL), and extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (10 mL × 3). The residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography using a petroleum ether/AcOEt (20/1) as the eluent to give product **4** (15.8 mg, 67% yield).



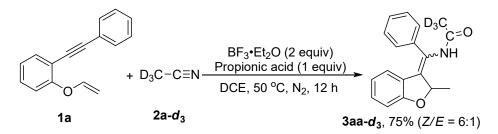
Synthesis of 5: To a Schlenk tube was added **3aa** (27.9 mg, 0.1 mmol), TsOH (17.2 mg, 1 equiv) and MeOH (1 mL). Then the tube was stirred at reflux for 12 h until complete consumption of starting materials as monitored by TLC. The mixture was cooled to room temperature and quenched with aqueous NaHCO₃ (10 mL), and extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (10 mL × 3). The residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography using a petroleum ether/AcOEt (20/1) as the eluent to give product **5** (14.3 mg, 60% yield).



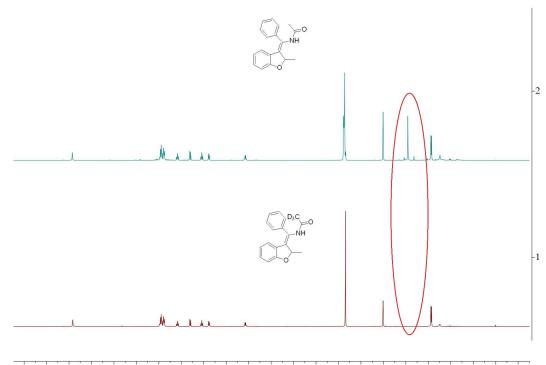
Synthesis of 6: To a Schlenk tube was added *Z*-3ya (35.7 mg, 0.1 mmol), phenylacetylene (13.2 uL, 1.2 equiv), $Pd(PPh_3)_2Cl_2$ (1.4 mg, 2 mol %), CuI (0.8 mg, 4 mol %) and E_3N (1 mL). The reaction vessel was fitted with a rubber septum, and

evacuated and back-filled with nitrogen. Then the mixture was stirred at 80 °C for 12 h. After the reaction was cooled to room temperature, the resulting mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate and the combined organic layers were evaporated under vacuum. The residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography using a petroleum ether/AcOEt (5/1) as the eluent to give product **6** (22.0 mg, 58% yield).

D. Control Experiments



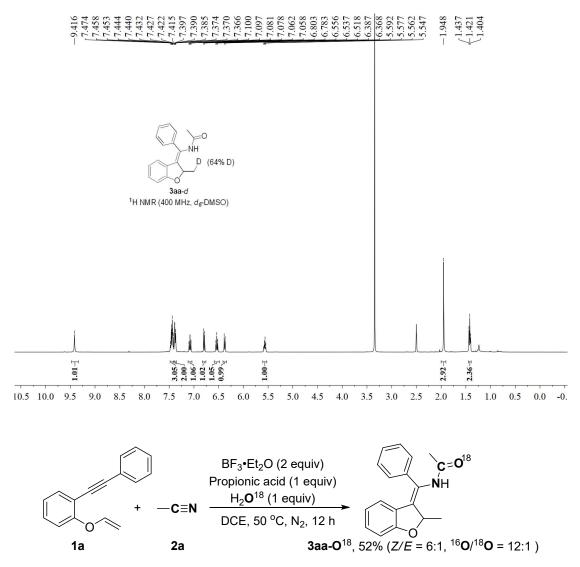
Synthesis of 3aa-*d*₃: To a Schlenk tube was added enyne **1a** (22.0 mg, 0.1 mmol), CD₃CN **2a-***d*₃ (52 uL, 10 equiv), BF₃·Et₂O (25 uL, 2 equiv), propionic acid (7.5 uL, 1 equiv) and dry CH₂Cl₂ (1 mL). Then the tube was stirred at 50 °C (oil bath temperature) in nitrogen atmosphere for 12 h until complete consumption of starting material as monitored by TLC. The mixture was cooled to room temperature and quenched with aqueous NaHCO₃ (10 mL), and extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL × 3). Collected organic layers were dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and concentrated in vacuum. The residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = $5/1 \sim 3/1$) to give the Z/E mixture product **3aa-***d*₃ (21.2 mg, 75% yield, Z/E = 6:1). Then Z/E mixture product **3aa-***d*₃ was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (CH₂Cl₂/petroleum ether = 8:1-10:1) to give **Z-3aa-***d*₃ (18.2 mg, 64% yield, white solid).



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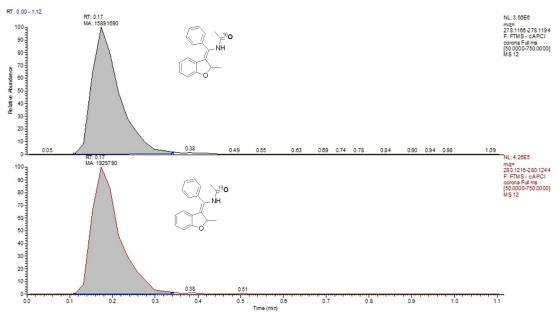


Synthesis of 3aa-*d*: To a Schlenk tube was added enyne 1a (22.0 mg, 0.1 mmol), CH₃CN 2a (52 uL, 10 equiv), BF₃·Et₂O (25 uL, 2 equiv), acetic acid-D (5.8 uL, DOAc, 1 equiv) and dry CH₂Cl₂ (1 mL). Then the tube was stirred at 50 °C (oil bath temperature) in nitrogen atmosphere for 12 h until complete consumption of starting material as monitored by TLC. The mixture was cooled to room temperature and quenched with aqueous NaHCO₃ (10 mL), and extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL × 3). Collected organic layers were dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and concentrated in vacuum. The residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = $5/1 \sim 3/1$) to give the Z/E mixture product **3aa-d** (19.9 mg, 71% yield, Z/E = 6:1). The Z/E mixture product **3aa-d** was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (CH₂Cl₂/petroleum ether = 8:1-10:1) to give **Z-3aa-d** (17.1 mg, 61% yield, white solid).

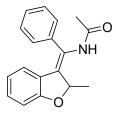


Synthesis of 3aa-O¹⁸: To a Schlenk tube was added enyne **1a** (22.0 mg, 0.1 mmol), CH₃CN **2a** (52 uL, 10 equiv), BF₃·Et₂O (25 uL, 2 equiv), propionic acid (7.5 uL, 1 equiv), H₂**O**¹⁸ (1.8 uL, 1 equiv) and dry CH₂Cl₂ (1 mL). Then the tube was stirred at 50 °C (oil bath temperature) in nitrogen atmosphere for 12 h until complete consumption of starting material as monitored by TLC. The mixture was cooled to room temperature and quenched with aqueous NaHCO₃ (10 mL), and extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL × 3). Collected organic layers were dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and concentrated in vacuum. The residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = $5/1 \sim 3/1$) to give the *Z/E* mixture product **3aa-O**¹⁸ (14.6 mg, 52% yield, *Z/E* = 6:1). The *Z/E* mixture product **3aa-O**¹⁸ was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (CH₂Cl₂/petroleum ether = 8:1-10:1) to give *Z*-

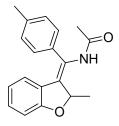
3aa-O¹⁸ (12.5 mg, 45%, white solid). The ratio of ${}^{16}\mathbf{O}/{}^{18}\mathbf{O} = 12/1$ was detected by HRMS.



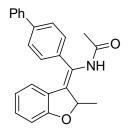
Characterization Data for Substrates and All Products



(*Z*)-*N*-((2-Methylbenzofuran-3(2*H*)-ylidene)(phenyl)methyl)acetamide (*Z*-3aa): Following the general procedure B, the *Z/E* mixed product 3aa was obtained after purification by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1-3:1) as a white solid (22.3 mg, 80% yield, Z/E = 6:1), then *Z*-3aa was obtained after purification by column chromatography (CH₂Cl₂/petroleum ether = 8:1-10:1) as a white solid (19.1 mg; 69% yield; mp 165.2-165.7 °C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO d_6) δ ppm 9.41 (s, 1H), 7.47-7.41 (m, 3H), 7.37 (dt, *J* = 7.7, 2.0 Hz, 2H), 7.10-7.02 (m, 1H), 6.78 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.53 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.37 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 5.56 (q, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 1.94 (s, 3H), 1.42 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ ppm 167.5, 162.5, 138.2, 133.6, 130.3 129.5, 129.2, 129.0, 126.5, 124.4, 122.9, 120.4, 110.6, 82.4, 23.4, 19.2; v_{max} (KBr)/cm⁻¹ 3320, 2924, 2855, 2370, 1702, 1530, 1270, 1167, 947, 816, 751; HRMS (ESI) m/z: C₁₈H₁₆NO₂ [M - H] ⁻ calcd for 278.1187, Found 278.1188.

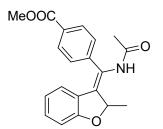


(*Z*)-*N*-((2-Methylbenzofuran-3(2*H*)-ylidene)(*p*-tolyl)methyl)acetamide (*Z*-3ba): Following the general procedure B, the *Z*/*E* mixed product **3aa** was obtained after purification by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1-3:1) as a white solid (24.0 mg, 82% yield, *Z*/*E* = 4:1), then *Z*-3ba was obtained after purification by column chromatography (CH₂Cl₂/petroleum ether = 8:1-10:1) as a white solid (19.2 mg; 66% yield; mp 180.3-180.8 °C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO*d*₆) δ ppm 9.35 (s, 1H), 7.25 (s, 4H), 7.08-7.04 (m, 1H), 6.77 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.54 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.46 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 5.54 (q, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 2.35 (s, 3H), 1.93 (s, 3H), 1.40 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ ppm 167.5, 162.4, 138.4, 135.2, 133.2, 130.2, 129.7, 129.4, 126.5, 124.5, 122.9, 120.4, 110.5, 82.4, 23.4, 21.5, 19.3; *v*_{max}(KBr)/cm⁻¹ 3382, 2924, 2833, 1608, 1459, 1361, 1269, 1069, 722; HRMS (ESI) *m*/*z*: C₁₉H₁₈NO₂ [M – H]⁻ calcd for 292.1343, Found 292.1346.

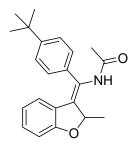


(Z)-N-([1,1'-Biphenyl]-4-yl(2-methylbenzofuran-3(2H)-ylidene)methyl)acetamide (Z-3ca): Following the general procedure B, the Z/E mixted product 3aa was obtained after purification by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1-3:1) as a white solid (26.6 mg, 75% yield, Z/E = 4:1), then Z-3ca was obtained after purification by column chromatography (CH₂Cl₂/petroleum ether = 8:1-10:1) as a

white solid (21.3 mg; 60% yield; mp 234.3-234.9 °C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSOd₆) δ ppm 9.44 (s, 1H), 7.75 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 4H), 7.51-7.46 (m, 4H), 7.41-7.36 (m, 1H), 7.11-7.07 (m, 1H), 6.80 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.62-6.55 (m, 2H), 5.59 (q, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 1.96 (s, 3H), 1.44 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ ppm 167.7, 162.6, 140.5, 140.0, 137.1, 133.7, 130.4, 130.1, 129.5, 128.2, 127.3, 127.1, 126.1, 124.3, 123.0, 120.5, 110.6, 82.4, 23.4, 19.3.; v_{max} (KBr)/cm⁻¹ 3264, 2920, 2854, 1702, 1659, 1515, 1327, 1275, 1159, 1056, 945, 841, 745; HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: C₂₄H₂₀NO₂ [M - H]⁻ calcd for 354.1500, Found 354.1501.



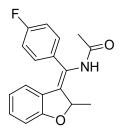
(*Z*)-Methyl 4-(Acetamido(2-methylbenzofuran-3(2*H*)-ylidene)methyl)benzoate (*Z*-3da): Following the general procedure B, the *Z/E* mixted product 3aa was obtained after purification by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1-3:1) as a white solid (24.9 mg, 74% yield, *Z/E* = 3:1), then *Z*-3da was obtained after purification by column chromatography (CH₂Cl₂/petroleum ether = 8:1-10:1) as a white solid (18.9 mg; 56% yield; mp 215.6-216.3 °C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO*d*₆) δ ppm 9.48 (s, 1H), 8.02 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.53 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.13-7.08 (m, 1H), 6.81 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 6.57 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.45 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 5.59 (q, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 1.94 (s, 3H), 1.44 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ ppm 168.1, 166.5, 162.8, 142.9, 134.9, 130.9, 130.1, 129.9, 129.8, 125.6, 123.7, 123.0, 120.7, 110.8, 82.4, 52.8, 23.4, 19.3; *v*_{max}(KBr)/cm⁻¹ 3154, 2921, 2837, 1720, 1600, 1457, 1365, 1278, 1104, 750; HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: C₂₀H₁₈NO₄ [M - H]⁻ calcd for 336.1241, Found 336.1244.



(Z)-N-((4-(tert-Butyl)phenyl)(2-methylbenzofuran-3(2H)-

ylidene)methyl)acetamide (Z-3ea): Following the general procedure B, the Z/E mixted product 3aa was obtained after purification by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1-3:1) as a white solid (23.8 mg, 71% yield, Z/E = 6:1), then Z-3ea was obtained after purification by column chromatography

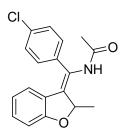
(CH₂Cl₂/petroleum ether = 8:1-10:1) as a white solid (20.4 mg; 61% yield; mp 163.3-163.8 °C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ ppm 9.36 (s, 1H), 7.46 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.30 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.08-7.04 (m, 1H), 6.78 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.53 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.47 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 5.54 (q, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 1.93 (s, 3H), 1.40 (d, J= 6.4 Hz, 3H), 1.32 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ ppm 167.3, 162.4, 151.6, 135.2, 133.2, 130.2, 129.2, 126.3, 125.9, 124.5, 122.9, 120.4, 110.5, 82.5, 35.0, 31.6, 23.4, 19.2; v_{max} (KBr)/cm⁻¹ 2957, 2857, 1609, 1517, 1462, 1361, 1279, 834, 753; HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: C₂₂H₂₄NO₂ [M - H]⁻ calcd for 334.1813, Found 334.1815.



(Z)-N-((4-Fluorophenyl)(2-methylbenzofuran-3(2H)-ylidene)methyl)acetamide

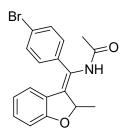
(*Z*-3fa): Following the general procedure B, the *Z*/*E* mixted product 3aa was obtained after purification by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1-3:1) as a white solid (19.3 mg, 65% yield, *Z*/*E* = 4:1), then *Z*-3fa was obtained after purification by column chromatography (CH₂Cl₂/petroleum ether = 8:1-10:1) as a white solid (15.4 mg; 52% yield; mp 181.1-181.7 °C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ ppm 9.41 (s, 1H), 7.43-7.39 (m, 2H), 7.29-7.24 (m, 2H), 7.08 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.79 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.57 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.38 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 5.56 (q, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 1.94 (s, 3H), 1.42 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ ppm 167.7, 162.5 (d, *J* = 143.8 Hz), 162.5, 134.5 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz), 133.8, 131.7 (d, *J* =

8.0 Hz), 130.4, 125.5, 124.2, 122.8, 120.5, 116.1 (d, J = 21.3 Hz), 110.6, 82.3, 23.4,
19.2; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ ppm -112.95; v_{max}(KBr)/cm⁻¹ 2926, 2832,
1601, 1510, 1461, 1363, 1227, 1151, 1064, 839, 766; HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: C₁₈H₁₅FNO₂
[M - H]⁻ calcd for 296.1092, Found 296.1093.



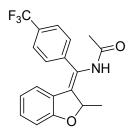
(Z)-N-((4-Chlorophenyl)(2-methylbenzofuran-3(2H)-ylidene)methyl)acetamide

(*Z*-3ga): Following the general procedure B, the *Z/E* mixted product 3aa was obtained after purification by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1-3:1) as a white solid (21.3 mg, 68% yield, *Z/E* = 4:1), then *Z*-3ga was obtained after purification by column chromatography (CH₂Cl₂/petroleum ether = 8:1-10:1) as a white solid (16.9 mg; 54% yield; mp 232.3-233.8 °C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO*d*₆) δ ppm 9.41 (s, 1H), 7.50-7.48 (m, 2H), 7.40-7.38 (m, 2H), 7.10 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.80 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.59 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.46 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 5.57 (q, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 1.93 (s, 3H), 1.42 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ ppm 167.9, 162.6, 137.0, 134.2, 133.4, 131.4, 130.6, 129.2, 125.4, 123.9, 122.9, 120.6, 110.7, 82.3, 23.4, 19.3; v_{max} (KBr)/cm⁻¹ 2903, 1635, 1506, 1311, 741; HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: C₁₈H₁₅CINO₂ [M - H]⁻ calcd for 312.0797, Found 312.0799.



(Z)-N-((4-Bromophenyl)(2-methylbenzofuran-3(2H)-ylidene)methyl)acetamide

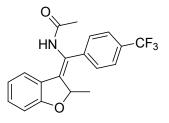
(*Z*-3ha): Following the general procedure B, the *Z/E* mixtured product 3ha was obtained after purification by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1-3:1) as a white solid (25.7 mg, 72% yield, *Z/E* = 4:1), then *Z*-3ha was obtained after purification by column chromatography (CH₂Cl₂/petroleum ether = 8:1-10:1) as a white solid (20.7 mg; 58% yield; mp 218.4-218.9 °C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ ppm 9.40 (s, 1H), 7.65-7.62 (m, 2H), 7.33 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.12-7.08 (m, 1H), 6.80 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.60 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.47 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 5.56 (q, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 1.93 (s, 3H), 1.41 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ ppm 167.9, 162.6, 137.3, 134.1, 132.1, 131.7, 130.6, 125.5, 123.9, 122.8, 122.0, 120.6, 110.7, 82.3, 23.3, 19.3; v_{max} (KBr)/cm⁻¹ 3124, 2926, 2832, 1602, 1362, 769; HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: C₁₈H₁₅BrNO₂ [M - H]⁻ calcd for 356.0292, Found 356.0293.



(Z)-N-((2-Methylbenzofuran-3(2H)-ylidene)(4-

(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)methyl)acetamide (Z-3ia): Following the general procedure B, the Z/E mixted product 3ia was obtained after purification by column

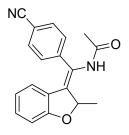
chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1-3:1) as a white solid (18.0 mg, 52% yield, Z/E = 2:1), then **Z-3ia** was obtained after purification by column chromatography (CH₂Cl₂/petroleum ether = 8:1-10:1) as a white solid (12.1 mg; 35% yield; mp 246.2-246.7 °C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ ppm 9.47 (s, 1H), 7.80 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.61 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.12 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.82 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.59 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.44 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 5.61 (q, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 1.94 (s, 3H), 1.44 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ ppm 168.2, 162.8, 142.3, 135.0, 130.9, 130.4, 129.1 (q, *J* = 31.5 Hz), 126.1 (q, *J* = 3.6 Hz), 125.3, 123.6, 123.4, 122.8, 120.7, 110.9, 82.3, 23.3, 19.3; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ ppm -60.32; v_{max} (KBr)/cm⁻¹ 2922, 2830, 1612, 1461, 1360, 1124, 1068, 763; HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: C₁₉H₁₅F₃NO₂ [M - H]⁻ calcd for 346.1060, Found 346.1062.



(E)-N-((2-Methylbenzofuran-3(2H)-ylidene)(4-

(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)methyl)acetamide (*E*-3ia): Following the general procedure B, the *Z/E* mixted product 3ia was obtained after purification by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1-3:1) as a white solid (18.0 mg, 52% yield, Z/E = 2:1), then *Z*-3ia was obtained after purification by column chromatography (CH₂Cl₂/petroleum ether = 8:1-10:1) as a white solid (6.0 mg; 17% yield; mp 246.3-246.8 °C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ ppm 9.76 (s, 1H), 7.70

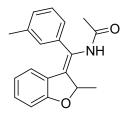
(q, J = 8.4 Hz, 4H), 7.62 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.27-7.25 (m, 1H), 6.98-6.94 (m, 1H), 6.88 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 5.93 (q, J = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 2.04 (s, 3H), 1.02 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ ppm 168.7, 161.8, 142.9, 136.2, 130.8, 128.4, 127.6 (q, J = 31.5 Hz), 125.4 (q, J = 3.9 Hz), 125.1, 125.0, 124.4, 122.9, 120.7, 110.1, 80.2, 22.8, 19.8; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ ppm -61.00; v_{max} (KBr)/cm⁻¹ 2912, 2841, 1655, 1468, 1356, 1115, 1071, 772; HRMS (ESI) m/z: C₁₉H₁₅F₃NO₂ [M - H]⁻ calcd for 346.1060, Found 346.1061.



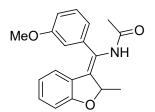
(Z)-N-((4-Cyanophenyl)(2-methylbenzofuran-3(2H)-ylidene)methyl)acetamide

(*Z*-3ja): Following the general procedure B, the *Z/E* mixted product 3ja was obtained after purification by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1-3:1) as a white solid (14.9 mg, 49% yield, Z/E = 2:1), then *Z*-3ja was obtained after purification by column chromatography (CH₂Cl₂/petroleum ether = 8:1-10:1) as a white solid (10.0 mg; 33% yield; mp 202.3-202.8 °C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ ppm 9.48 (s, 1H), 7.89 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.58 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.15-7.11 (m, 1H), 6.82 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.60 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.48 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 5.61 (q, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 1.94 (s, 3H), 1.44 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ ppm 168.3, 162.9, 142.9, 135.4, 133.1, 131.1, 130.5, 125.1, 123.4, 122.9, 120.8, 119.3, 111.2, 110.9, 82.3, 23.3, 19.3; v_{max} (KBr)/cm⁻¹ 2924, 2834, 1611, 1461,

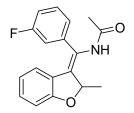
1361, 772; HRMS (ESI) m/z: C₁₉H₁₅N₂O₂ [M - H]⁻ calcd for 303.1139, Found 303.1140.



(*Z*)-*N*-((2-Methylbenzofuran-3(2*H*)-ylidene)(*m*-tolyl)methyl)acetamide (*Z*-3ka): Following the general procedure B, the *Z*/*E* mixted product 3ka was obtained after purification by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1-3:1) as a white solid (22.3 mg, 76% yield, *Z*/*E* = 4:1), then *Z*-3ka was obtained after purification by column chromatography (CH₂Cl₂/petroleum ether = 8:1-10:1) as a white solid (17.9 mg; 61% yield; mp 165.5-166.0 °C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO d_6) δ ppm 9.38 (s, 1H), 7.33 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.22 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.16 (d, *J* = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 7.08-7.04 (m, 1H), 6.78 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.53 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.39 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 5.55 (q, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 2.33 (s, 3H), 1.94 (s, 3H), 1.41 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ ppm 167.4, 162.4, 138.4, 138.1, 133.3, 130.2, 129.8, 129.6, 129.1, 126.6, 126.5, 124.5, 123.0, 120.4, 110.5, 82.4, 23.4, 21.4, 19.2; v_{max} (KBr)/cm⁻¹ 2922, 1647, 1523, 1313, 748; HRMS (ESI) *m*/*z*: C₁9H₁₈NO₂ [M - H]⁻ calcd for 292.1343, Found 292.1345.



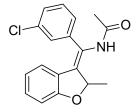
(*Z*)-*N*-((*3*-Methoxyphenyl)(*2*-methylbenzofuran-3(*2H*)-ylidene)methyl)acetamide (*Z*-3la): Following the general procedure B, the *Z*/*E* mixted product 3la was obtained after purification by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1-3:1) as a white solid (21.0 mg, 68% yield, *Z*/*E* = 4:1), then *Z*-3la was obtained after purification by column chromatography (CH₂Cl₂/petroleum ether = 8:1-10:1) as a white solid (16.7 mg; 54% yield; mp 141.6-142.1 °C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO*d*₆) δ ppm 9.38 (s, 1H), 7.36 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.08 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.00-6.94 (m, 2H), 6.87 (s, 1H), 6.78 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.56 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.45 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 5.54 (q, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 1.94 (s, 3H), 1.41 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ ppm 167.6, 162.5, 160.0, 139.5, 133.7, 130.4, 130.4, 126.2, 124.3, 123.2, 121.8, 120.5, 114.7, 114.6, 110.6, 82.4, 55.7, 23.4, 19.2; *v*_{max}(KBr)/cm⁻¹ 3487, 2927, 2849, 2356, 1654, 1590, 1464, 1374, 1283, 1225, 1046, 754, 697; HRMS (ESI) *m*/*z*: : C₁₉H₁₈NO₃ [M - H]⁻ calcd for 308.1292, Found 308.1293.



(Z)-N-((3-Fluorophenyl)(2-methylbenzofuran-3(2H)-ylidene)methyl)acetamide

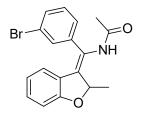
(Z-3ma): Following the general procedure B, the Z/E mixted product 3ma was obtained after purification by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1-3:1) as a white solid (19.3 mg, 65% yield, Z/E = 3.5:1), then Z-3ma was

obtained after purification by column chromatography (CH₂Cl₂/petroleum ether = 8:1-10:1) as a white solid (15.1 mg; 51% yield; mp 210.3-210.8 °C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ ppm 9.43 (s, 1H), 7.49-7.46 (m, 1H), 7.27-7.22 (m, 2H), 7.17-7.14 (m, 1H), 7.12-7.08 (m, 1H), 6.81 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.58 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.43 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 5.57 (q, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 1.94 (s, 3H), 1.42 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ ppm 165.2 (d, *J* = 502.4 Hz), 162.8 (d, *J* = 242.9 Hz) 140.5 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 134.3, 131.2 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 130.6, 125.8 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz), 125.2 (d, *J* = 2,2 Hz), 123.9, 122.9, 120.6, 116.2, 115.9 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 115.7, 110.7, 82.3, 23.4, 19.2; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ ppm -112.90; v_{max} (KBr)/cm⁻¹ 3367, 2924, 2831, 1598, 1459, 1364, 769; HRMS (ESI) *m*/*z*: C₁₈H₁₅FNO₂ [M - H]⁻ calcd for 296.1092, Found 296.1093.



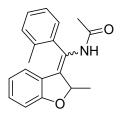
(*Z*)-*N*-((3-Chlorophenyl)(2-methylbenzofuran-3(2*H*)-ylidene)methyl)acetamide (*Z*-3na): Following the general procedure B, the *Z/E* mixted product 3na was obtained after purification by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1-3:1) as a white solid (21.9 mg, 70% yield, *Z/E* = 4:1), then *Z*-3na was obtained after purification by column chromatography (CH₂Cl₂/petroleum ether = 8:1-10:1) as a white solid (17.5 mg; 56% yield; mp 198.3-198.8 °C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO d_6) δ ppm 9.44 (s, 1H), 7.48-7.46 (m, 2H), 7.38-7.34 (m, 2H), 7.13-7.08 (m, 1H), 6.81

(d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.59 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.41 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 5.58 (q, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 1.94 (s, 3H), 1.42 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ ppm 167.9, 162.7, 140.3, 134.5, 133.7, 131.1, 130.7, 129.1, 128.8, 128.3, 125.1, 123.8, 122.8, 120.6, 110.8, 82.3, 23.3, 19.2; v_{max} (KBr)/cm⁻¹ 3115, 2924, 2830, 1601, 1362, 770; HRMS (ESI) m/z: C₁₈H₁₅ClNO₂ [M - H]⁻ calcd for 312.0797, Found 312.0800.

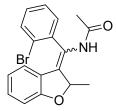


(Z)-N-((3-Bromophenyl)(2-methylbenzofuran-3(2H)-ylidene)methyl)acetamide

(*Z*-30a): Following the general procedure B, the *Z*/*E* mixted product 30a was obtained after purification by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1-3:1) as a white solid (20.3 mg, 65% yield, *Z*/*E* = 4:1), then *Z*-30a was obtained after purification by column chromatography (CH₂Cl₂/petroleum ether = 8:1-10:1) as a white solid (16.3 mg; 52% yield; mp 205.6-206.1 °C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ ppm 9.43 (s, 1H), 7.62-7.59 (m, 1H), 7.51 (s, 1H), 7.43-7.39 (m, 2H), 7.11 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.81 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.59 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.40 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 5.57 (q, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 1.94 (s, 3H), 1.42 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ ppm 167.9, 162.7, 140.5, 134.6, 131.9, 131.7, 131.4, 130.7, 128.7, 125.0, 123.8, 122.8, 122.2, 120.6, 110.8, 82.3, 23.3, 19.2; *v*_{max}(KBr)/cm⁻¹ 3167, 2925, 2831, 1598, 1364, 1070, 765; HRMS (ESI) *m*/*z*: C₁₈H₁₅BrNO₂ [M - H]⁻ calcd for 312.0797, Found 356.0294.

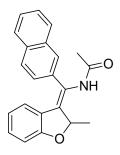


N-((2-Methylbenzofuran-3(2*H*)-ylidene)(o-tolyl)methyl)acetamide (3pa): Following the general procedure B, the *Z*/*E* inseperable isomers product **3pa** was obtained after purification by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1-3:1) as a white solid (19.0 mg, 65% yield, *Z*/*E* = 1:1, mp 205.2-205.7 °C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ ppm 9.40 (s, 1H), 9.33 (s, 1H), 7.37-7.35 (m, 2H), 7.32-7.24 (m, 5H), 7.11-7.01 (m, 3H), 6.77 (t, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.51 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.46 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 5.85 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 5.76 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 5.67-5.60 (m, 2H), 2.25 (s, 3H), 2.11 (s, 3H), 1.94 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 6H), 1.41 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ ppm 166.8, 166.0, 161.7, 161.5, 137.4, 136.9, 136.7, 136.6, 132.3, 132.2, 130.6, 130.4, 130.0, 129.7, 129.3, 128.8, 128.3, 126.7, 126.2, 125.8, 124.6, 124.3, 124.0, 122.4, 121.8, 120.3, 120.0, 109.9, 109.8, 81.5, 22.9, 18.9, 18.6, 18.3; ν_{max} (KBr)/cm⁻¹ 3239, 2924, 2853, 2373, 1777, 1660, 1520, 1460, 1382, 1272, 996, 751; HRMS (ESI) *m*/*z*: C₁₉H₁₈NO₂ [M - H]⁻ calcd for 292.1343, Found 292.1345.

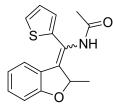


N-((2-Bromophenyl)(2-methylbenzofuran-3(2H)-ylidene)methyl)acetamide

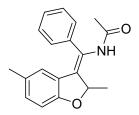
(3qa): Following the general procedure B, the *Z*/*E* inseperable isomer product **3pa** was obtained after purification by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1-3:1) as a white solid (19.3 mg, 54% yield, *Z*/*E* = 1:1.1, mp 205.3-205.8 °C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ ppm 9.42 (s, 0.9H), 9.38 (s, 1H), 7.76-7.72 (m, 2.2H), 7.53-7.44 (m, 3.4H), 7.41-7.36 (m, 2.2H), 7.30-7.27 (m, 1H), 7.10-7.04 (m, 2.2H), 6.81 (d, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 6.79 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 0.9H), 6.56-6.48 (m, 2.2H), 5.86 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 5.79 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1.1H), 5.73 (q, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1.1H), 5.64 (q, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 1.95 (d, *J* = 4.1 Hz, 6.2H), 1.45 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 3H), 1.42 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 3.2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ ppm 166.8, 166.6, 161.8, 161.7, 138.2, 137. 6, 133.4, 133.2, 133.1, 132.8, 132.5, 130.6, 130.5, 130.2, 129.8, 129.7, 128.7, 127.9, 125.6, 124.2, 124.0, 123.8, 123.5, 122.5, 122.3, 122.2, 120.3, 120.2, 110.0, 110.0, 81.6, 81.4, 22.9, 18.4, 18.3; *v*_{max}(KBr)/cm⁻¹ 3439, 2923, 2863, 2361, 2252, 1668, 1524, 1464, 1292, 1015, 826, 757; HRMS (ESI) *m*/*z*: C₁₈H₁₅BrNO₂ [M - H]⁻ calcd for 352.0292, Found 356.0292.



(Z)-N-((2-Methylbenzofuran-3(2H)-ylidene)(naphthalen-2-yl)methyl)acetamide (Z-3ra): Following the general procedure B, the Z/E mixted product 3ra was obtained after purification by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1-3:1) as a white solid (22.3 mg, 68% yield, Z/E = 3:1), then **Z-3ra** was obtained after purification by column chromatography (CH₂Cl₂/petroleum ether = 8:1-10:1) as a white solid (16.8 mg; 51% yield; mp 171.2-171.7 °C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO d_6) δ ppm 9.51 (s, 1H), 7.98-7.94 (m, 4H), 7.54 (dt, J = 6.0, 2.4 Hz, 2H), 7.48 (dd, J =8.3, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.06 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.80 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.47 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.39 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 5.63 (q, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 1.97 (s, 3H), 1.47 (d, J = 6.4Hz, 3H).; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ ppm 167.7, 162.6, 135.5, 133.8, 133.5, 133.3, 130.4, 128.6, 128.4, 128.1, 127.5, 127.7, 127.0, 126.5, 124.4, 122.8, 120.5, 110.6, 82.5, 23.5, 19.3; v_{max} (KBr)/cm⁻¹ 3441, 2922, 2850, 1651, 1516, 1459, 1372, 1231, 1060, 817, 749; HRMS (ESI) m/z: C₂₂H₁₈NO₂ [M - H]⁻ calcd for 328.1343, Found 328.1344.

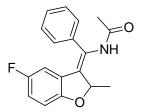


N-((2-Methylbenzofuran-3(2*H*)-ylidene)(thiophen-2-yl)methyl)acetamide (3sa): Following the general procedure B, the *Z*/*E* inseperable isomers product 3sa was obtained after purification by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1-3:1) as a white solid (22.2 mg, 78% yield, *Z*/*E* = 4:1, mp 205.3-205.8 °C); *Z*-3sa: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ ppm 9.52 (s, 1H), 7.67-7.66 (m, 1H), 7.23-7.20 (m, 1H), 7.14-7.12 (m, 2H), 6.83 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.66-6.64 (m, 2H), 5.52 (q, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 1.95 (s, 3H), 1.41 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO*d*₆) δ ppm 167.0, 162.2, 139.7, 136.2, 130.4, 128.1, 127.5, 127.3, 123.5, 122.7, 120.2, 118.3, 110.2, 81.9, 22.8, 18.6; v_{max} (KBr)/cm⁻¹ 3444, 2926, 1656, 1517, 1460, 1369, 1319, 1264, 996, 841, 750; HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: C₁₆H₁₄NO₂S [M - H]⁻ calcd for 284.0751, Found 284.0752.



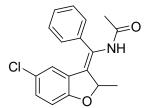
(Z)-N-((2,5-Dimethylbenzofuran-3(2H)-ylidene)(phenyl)methyl)acetamide (Z-

3va): Following the general procedure B, the *Z/E* mixted product **3va** was obtained after purification by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1-3:1) as a white solid (18.5 mg, 63% yield, *Z/E* = 5:1), then *Z***-3va** was obtained after purification by column chromatography (CH₂Cl₂/petroleum ether = 8:1-10:1) as a white solid (15.5 mg; 53% yield; mp 185.2-185.6 °C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ ppm 9.39 (s, 1H), 7.46-7.41 (m, 3H), 7.37-7.35 (m, 2H), 6.92-6.83 (m, 1H), 6.67 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.17 (s, 1H), 5.52 (q, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 1.92 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 6H), 1.39 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ ppm 167.6, 160.7, 138.2, 133.9, 130.9, 129.5, 129.1, 129.0, 128.8, 126.3, 124.3, 123.4, 110.2, 82.4, 23.4, 21.1, 19.4; v_{max} (KBr)/cm⁻¹ 3259, 2924, 2857, 1665, 1487, 1271, 1051, 963, 751, 701; HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: C₁₉H₁₈NO₂ [M - H]⁻ calcd for 292.1343, Found 292.1345.



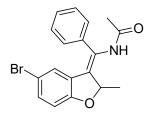
(Z)-N-((5-Fluoro-2-methylbenzofuran-3(2H)-ylidene)(phenyl)methyl)acetamide

(*Z*-3wa): Following the general procedure B, the *Z/E* mixted product 3wa was obtained after purification by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1-3:1) as a white solid (16.0 mg, 54% yield, *Z/E* = 3:1), then *Z*-3wa was obtained after purification by column chromatography (CH₂Cl₂/petroleum ether = 8:1-10:1) as a white solid (12.2 mg; 41% yield; mp 175.1-175.5 °C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO*d*₆) δ ppm 9.50 (s, 1H), 7.48-7.44 (m, 3H), 7.38-7.36 (m, 2H), 6.92-6.87 (m, 1H), 6.79-6.76 (m, 1H), 5.90 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 5.62 (q, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 1.95 (s, 3H), 1.42 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ ppm 163.0 (d, *J* = 883.6 Hz), 156.4 (d, *J* = 232.2 Hz), 137.6, 132.4, 129.5, 129.4, 129.3, 128.0, 125.8 (d, *J* = 9.5 Hz), 116.5 (d, *J* = 24.5 Hz), 111.0 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz), 109.1, 108.9, 83.3, 23.4, 19.0; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ ppm -123.86; v_{max} (KBr)/cm⁻¹ 2928, 2828, 1612, 1472, 1360, 771, 529; HRMS (ESI) *m*/*z*: C₁₈H₁₅FNO₂ [M - H]⁻ calcd for 296.1092, Found 296.1093.



(*Z*-3xa): Following the general procedure B, the *Z/E* mixted product 3xa was obtained after purification by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1-3:1) as a white solid (24.1 mg, 77% yield, *Z/E* = 3:1), then *Z*-3xa was obtained after purification by column chromatography (CH₂Cl₂/petroleum ether = 8:1-10:1) as a white solid (18.2 mg; 58% yield; mp 202.2-202.5 °C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO*d*₆) δ ppm 9.48 (s, 1H), 7.51-7.45 (m, 3H), 7.38-7.36 (m, 2H), 7.10-7.07 (m, 1H), 6.80 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.16 (s, 1H), 5.63 (q, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 1.95 (s, 3H), 1.42 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ ppm 167.4, 161.1, 137.6, 131.6, 129.5, 129.4(2C), 129.4, 128.3, 126.7, 124.0, 122.3, 111.8, 83.4, 23.4, 19.0; ν_{max} (KBr)/cm⁻¹ 2923, 2833, 1624, 1532, 1363, 773, 699; HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: C₁₈H₁₅ClNO₂ [M - H]⁻ calcd for 312.0797, Found 312.0800.

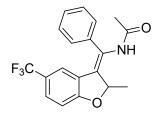
(Z)-N-((5-Chloro-2-methylbenzofuran-3(2H)-ylidene)(phenyl)methyl)acetamide



(Z)-N-((5-Bromo-2-methylbenzofuran-3(2H)-ylidene)(phenyl)methyl)acetamide

(*Z*-3ya): Following the general procedure B, the *Z/E* mixted product 3ya was obtained after purification by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1-3:1) as a white solid (23.2 mg, 65% yield, Z/E = 4:1), then *Z*-3ya was obtained after purification by column chromatography (CH₂Cl₂/petroleum ether = 8:1-10:1) as a white solid (18.6 mg; 52% yield; mp 182.3-182.6 °C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-

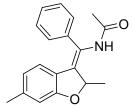
 d_6) δ ppm 9.50 (s, 1H), 7.49-7.46 (m, 3H), 7.38-7.36 (m, 2H), 7.21-7.18 (m, 1H), 6.76 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.30 (s, 1H), 5.63 (q, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 1.95 (s, 3H), 1.42 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ ppm 167.4, 161.4, 137.6, 132.3, 131.4, 129.4, 129.4 (2C), 128.3, 127.3, 125.3, 112.4, 111.6, 83.3, 23.4, 19.0; v_{max} (KBr)/cm⁻¹ 2925, 2831, 1607, 1457, 1362, 1065, 772; HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: C₁₈H₁₅BrNO₂ [M - H]⁻ calcd for 356.0292, Found 356.0294.



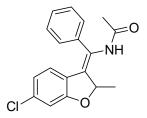
(Z)-N-((2-Methyl-5-(trifluoromethyl)benzofuran-3(2H)-

ylidene)(phenyl)methyl)acetamide (*Z*-3za): Following the general procedure B, the *Z/E* mixted product 3za was obtained after purification by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1-3:1) as a white solid (17.4 mg, 50% yield, *Z/E* = 3:1), then *Z*-3za was obtained after purification by column chromatography (CH₂Cl₂/petroleum ether = 8:1-10:1) as a white solid (13.2 mg; 38% yield; mp 209.1-209.5 °C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ ppm 9.57 (s, 1H), 7.50-7.46 (m, 3H), 7.40-7.38 (m, 3H), 6.95 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.42 (s, 1H), 5.71 (q, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 1.97 (s, 3H), 1.45 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ ppm 166.1 (d, *J* = 270.4 Hz), 137.4 (d, *J* = 5.8 Hz), 130.6, 129.5, 129.5, 129.4, 128.9, 127.3 (d, *J* = 2.9 Hz), 126.1, 125.8, 123.4, 121.3 (q, *J* = 31.5 Hz), 119.8 (q, *J* = 4.1 Hz), 111.0, 84.0, 23.5, 18.8; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ ppm -60.32; *v*_{max}(KBr)/cm⁻¹ 3237,

3023, 2918, 1648, 1500, 1449, 1333, 1277, 1159, 1107, 1001, 901, 822, 764, 708; HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: C₁₉H₁₅F₃NO₂ [M - H]⁻ calcd for 346.1060, Found 346.1063.

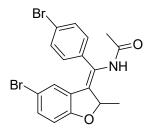


(*Z*)-*N*-((2,6-Dimethylbenzofuran-3(2*H*)-ylidene)(phenyl)methyl)acetamide (*Z*-3aaa): Following the general procedure B, the *Z*/*E* mixted product 3aaa was obtained after purification by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1-3:1) as a white solid (15.2 mg, 52% yield, *Z*/*E* = 3:1), then *Z*-3aaa was obtained after purification by column chromatography (CH₂Cl₂/petroleum ether = 8:1-10:1) as a white solid (11.4 mg; 39% yield; mp 165.1-165.5 °C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO d_6) δ ppm 9.37 (s, 1H), 7.46-7.39 (m, 3H), 7.37-7.35 (m, 2H), 6.62 (s, 1H), 6.37 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.30 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 5.54 (q, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 2.18 (s, 3H), 1.93 (s, 3H), 1.41 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ ppm 167.5, 162.8, 140.5, 138.3, 133.8, 129.5, 129.1, 128.9, 125.3, 122.6, 121.6, 121.3, 111.0, 82.5, 23.4, 21.6, 19.3; v_{max} (KBr)/cm⁻¹ 3485, 3262, 2923, 2854, 1657, 1521, 1442, 1376, 1278, 1129, 1055, 1003, 755, 707; HRMS (ESI) *m*/*z*: C₁₉H₁₈NO₂ [M - H]⁻ calcd for 292.1343, Found 292.1344.



(Z)-N-((6-Chloro-2-methylbenzofuran-3(2H)-ylidene)(phenyl)methyl)acetamide

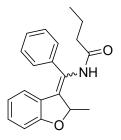
(*Z*-3aba): Following the general procedure B, the *Z*/*E* mixted product 3aba was obtained after purification by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1-3:1) as a white solid (21.9 mg, 70% yield, *Z*/*E* = 3:1), then *Z*-3aba was obtained after purification by column chromatography (CH₂Cl₂/ petroleum ether = 8:1-10:1) as a white solid (16.6 mg; 53% yield; mp 217.4-217.8 °C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ ppm 9.46 (s, 1H), 7.47-7.42 (m 3H), 7.37-7.35 (m, 2H), 6.90 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.61-6.59 (m, 1H), 6.29 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 5.62 (q, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 1.94 (s, 3H), 1.42 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ ppm 167.5, 163.1, 137.8, 134.1, 131.7, 129.5, 129.4, 129.3, 127.4, 123.9, 123.6, 120.6, 110.8, 83.7, 23.4, 19.0; ν_{max} (KBr)/cm⁻¹ 2924, 2832, 1599, 1363, 1070, 770; HRMS (ESI) *m*/*z*: C₁₈H₁₇ClNO₂ [M - H]⁻ calcd for 312.0797, Found 312.0799.



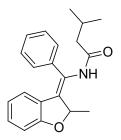
(Z)-N-((5-Bromo-2-methylbenzofuran-3(2H)-ylidene)(4-

bromophenyl)methyl)acetamide (Z-3aca): Following the general procedure B, the Z/E mixted product **3aca** was obtained after purification by column chromatography

(petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1-3:1) as a white solid (26.5 mg, 61% yield, Z/E = 3:1), then **Z-3aca** was obtained after purification by column chromatography (CH₂Cl₂/petroleum ether = 8:1-10:1) as a white solid (20.4 mg; 46% yield; mp 201.1-201.5 °C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ ppm 9.50 (s, 1H), 7.68 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.35 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.26-7.24 (m, 1H), 6.79 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.43 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 5.64 (q, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 1.95 (s, 3H), 1.42 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ ppm 167.4, 161.1, 136.2, 132.2, 131.8, 131.5, 131.2, 126.8, 126.4, 124.6, 121.9, 112.2, 111.3, 82.8, 22.9, 18.5; *v*_{max}(KBr)/cm⁻¹ 3440, 3225, 2927, 2844, 2349, 1645, 1514, 1459, 1368, 1268, 1134, 1065, 826, 753; HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: C₁₈H₁₄Br₂NO₂ [M - H]⁻ calcd for 433.9397, Found 433.9400.

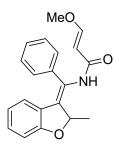


N-((2-Methylbenzofuran-3(2*H*)-ylidene)(phenyl)methyl)butyramide (3ab): Following the general procedure B, the *Z*/*E* inseperable isomer product **3ab** was obtained after purification by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1-3:1) as a white solid (16.0 mg, 52% yield, *Z*/*E* = 2.5:1, mp 215.3-215.8 °C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ ppm 9.59 (s, 0.4H), 9.38 (s, 1H), 7.54 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 0.4H), 7.48-7.41 (m, 3.8H), 7.39-7.37 (m, 2.8H), 7.31-7.27 (m, 0.5H), 7.22-7.18 (m, 0.5H), 7.10-7.06 (m, 1H), 6.92-6.89 (m, 0.4H), 6.84 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 0.4H), 6.80 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.54 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.40 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 5.89 (q, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 0.4H), 5.58 (q, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 2.30 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 0.8H), 2.19 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.63-1.50 (m, 3H), 1.43 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 3H), 1.01 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 1.2H), 0.92-0.87 (m, 4.2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ ppm 171.1, 169.9, 162.0, 161.5, 138.8, 137.7, 134.5, 133.1, 130.1, 129.8, 129.0, 128.7, 128.5, 128.5, 127.7, 127.6, 126.4, 126.0, 124.8, 123.8, 122.39, 120.4, 119.9, 110.1, 109.9, 81.9, 80.4, 19.6, 18.8, 18.6, 18.4, 13.8, 13.7; v_{max} (KBr)/cm⁻¹ 3248, 2962, 2866, 1764, 1657, 1596, 1513, 1462, 1374, 1320, 1278, 1208, 1150, 1055, 958, 883, 749, 701; HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: C₂₀H₂₀NO₂ [M - H]⁻ calcd for 306.1500, Found 306.1502.



(Z)-3-Methyl-N-((2-methylbenzofuran-3(2H)-

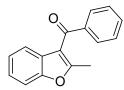
ylidene)(phenyl)methyl)butanamide (*Z*-3ac): Following the general procedure B, the *Z/E* mixted product **3ac** was obtained after purification by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1-3:1) as a white solid (18.9 mg, 59% yield, *Z/E* = 1.3:1), then *Z*-3ac was obtained after purification by column chromatography (CH₂Cl₂/petroleum ether = 8:1-10:1) as a white solid (10.7 mg; 33% yield; mp 201.1-201.5 °C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ ppm 9.37 (s, 1H), 7.48-7.42 (m, 3H), 7.37 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.08 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.79 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.54 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.40 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 5.58 (q, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 2.10 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.06-1.99 (m, 1H), 1.43 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 3H), 0.90 (dd, *J* = 6.5, 2.1 Hz, 6H).; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ ppm 169.4, 162.0, 137.7, 133.3, 129.8, 129.0, 128.7, 126.7, 126.0, 123.8, 122.4, 119.9, 110.1, 81.8, 44.6, 25.6, 22.4, 22.3, 18.9; *v*_{max}(KBr)/cm⁻¹ 3371, 3251, 2930, 2340, 2250, 1652, 1510, 1459, 1280, 1014, 827, 756, 689; HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: C₂₁H₂₂NO₂ [M - H]⁻ calcd for 320.1656, Found 320.1657.



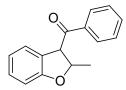
(E)-3-Methoxy-N-((Z)-(2-methylbenzofuran-3(2H)-

ylidene)(phenyl)methyl)acrylamide (*Z*-3ae): Following the general procedure B, the *Z/E* mixted product **3ae** was obtained after purification by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1-3:1) as a white solid (18.6 mg, 58% yield, *Z/E* = 3:1), then *Z*-3ae was obtained after purification by column chromatography (CH₂Cl₂/petroleum ether = 8:1-10:1) as a white solid (14.1 mg; 44% yield; mp 165.1-165.4 °C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ ppm 9.23 (s, 1H), 7.49- 7.42 (m, 4H), 7.39-7.36 (m, 2H), 7.09-7.05 (m, 1H), 6.79 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.55-6.51 (m, 1H), 6.35 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 5.63 (q, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 5.50 (d, *J* = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 3.64 (s, 3H), 1.41 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ ppm 161.9, 160.3, 137.8, 129.6 (2C), 129.1 (2C), 128.7, 128.5, 126.1, 124.1, 122.4, 119.9, 110.0, 98.6, 82.0, 57.4, 18.6; ν_{max} (KBr)/cm⁻¹ 3256, 2093, 2385, 1774, 1704, 1499, 1336, 1161,

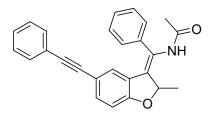
1039, 935, 750, 701, 616; HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: C₂₀H₁₈NO₃ [M - H]⁻ calcd for 320.1292, Found 320.1293.



(2-Methylbenzofuran-3-yl)(phenyl)methanone (4)^[4]: Yield: 15.8 mg, 67%; yellow oil; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ ppm 7.842-7.80 (m, 2H), 7.62-7.57 (m, 1H), 7.50-7.45 (m, 3H), 7.41 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.29-7.25 (m, 1H), 7.21-7.17 (m, 1H), 2.54 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ ppm 191.9, 161.9, 153.6, 139.3, 132.6, 129.1, 128.5, 126.9, 124.4, 123.5, 121.3, 116.9, 110.8, 14.7; HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: C₁₆H₁₃O₂ [M + H]⁺ calcd for 237.0910, Found 237.0907.



(2-Methyl-2,3-dihydrobenzofuran-3-yl)(phenyl)methanone (5)^[7]: Yield: 14.3 mg, 60%; yellow oil; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ ppm 8.07-8.04 (m, 2H), 7.68-7.64 (m, 1H), 7.57-7.53 (m, 2H), 7.17-7.13 (m, 1H), 6.90 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.83 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.74 (td, J = 7.5, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 5.46 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.87 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 1.54 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ ppm 196.5, 159.4, 136.5, 133.7, 129.3, 129.1, 128.9, 125.4, 124.8, 120.3, 110.1, 81.2, 56.9, 21.1; HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: C₁₆H₁₄O₂ [M - H]⁻ calcd for 237.0921, Found 237.0918.



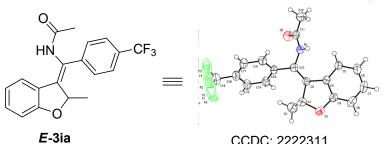
(Z)-N-((2-Methyl-5-(phenylethynyl)benzofuran-3(2H)-

ylidene)(phenyl)methyl)acetamide (6): Yield: 22.0 mg, 58%; yellow solid; mp 200.1-200.3 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ ppm 9.49 (s, 1H), 7.52-7.46 (m, 3H), 7.41-7.39 (m, 2H), 7.36 (s, 5H), 7.28 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 6.85 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.44 (s, 1H), 5.65 (q, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 1.96 (s, 3H), 1.44 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ ppm 167.5, 162.7, 137.8, 133.8, 131.7, 131.6, 129.5, 129.4, 129.3, 129.2, 129.0, 128.0, 125.9, 125.3, 122.9, 114.1, 111.1, 90.1, 87.7, 83.4, 23.4, 19.1; *v*_{max}(KBr)/cm⁻¹ 3495, 2929, 2852, 2358, 1648, 1590, 1392, 1267, 1112, 994, 754, 701; HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: C₂₆H₂₂NO₂ [M + H]⁻ calcd for 380.1645, Found 380.1639.

X-ray Crystallographic Data of Products E-3ia and Z-3aca

Compound E-3ia was dissolved in a mixed solvent (ethyl acetate: petroleum ether = 1:20), and the corresponding single crystals for X-ray diffraction were obtained by

slowly natural volatilization crystallization. Data collections for this crystal structure were performed at 170 K using MoKa radiation on a 'Bruker D8 VENTURE' diffractometer. Using Olex2, the structure was solved with the ShelXT structure solution program using Intrinsic Phasing and refined with the ShelXL refinement package using Least Squares minimisation. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level. Crystallographic data of *E*-3ia is shown in Table S6. Selected bond lengths and bond angles are listed in Table S6. CCDC reference number for E-3ia: 2222311.



CCDC: 2222311

Table S6 Crystal data and structure refinement for <i>E</i> -3ia	
Identification code	E-3ia
Empirical formula	C ₁₉ H ₁₆ F ₃ NO ₂
Formula weight	347.33
Temperature/K	170
Crystal system	monoclinic
Space group	P2 ₁ /c
a/Å	18.843(7)
b/Å	9.345(4)
c/Å	9.737(4)
α/°	90
β/°	95.050(11)
γ/°	90
Volume/Å ³	1707.9(12)
Z	4
$\rho_{calc}g/cm^3$	1.351

μ/mm ⁻¹	0.110
F(000)	720.0
Crystal size/mm ³	0.12 imes 0.08 imes 0.05
Radiation	MoKa ($\lambda = 0.71073$)
2Θ range for data collection/°	4.34 to 50.21
Index ranges	$-22 \le h \le 22, -11 \le k \le 9, -11 \le l \le 11$
Reflections collected	13067
Independent reflections	2960 [$R_{int} = 0.0871$, $R_{sigma} = 0.0722$]
Data/restraints/parameters	2960/334/255
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.029
Final R indexes [I>=2 σ (I)]	$R_1 = 0.0613, wR_2 = 0.1247$
Final R indexes [all data]	$R_1 = 0.1248, wR_2 = 0.1570$
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å ⁻³	0.23/-0.22

Compound **Z-3aca** was dissolved in a mixed solvent (ethyl acetate: petroleum ether = 1:20), and the corresponding single crystals for X-ray diffraction were obtained by slowly natural volatilization crystallization. Data collections for this crystal structure were performed at 170 K using MoK α radiation on a 'Bruker D8 VENTURE' diffractometer. Using Olex2, the structure was solved with the ShelXT structure solution program using Intrinsic Phasing and refined with the ShelXL refinement package using Least Squares minimisation. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level. Crystallographic data of **Z-3aca** is shown in Table S7. Selected bond lengths and bond angles are listed in Table S7. CCDC reference numbers for **Z-3aca**: 2222312.

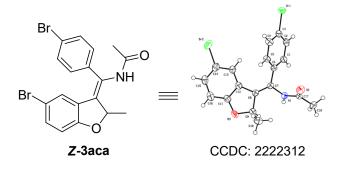


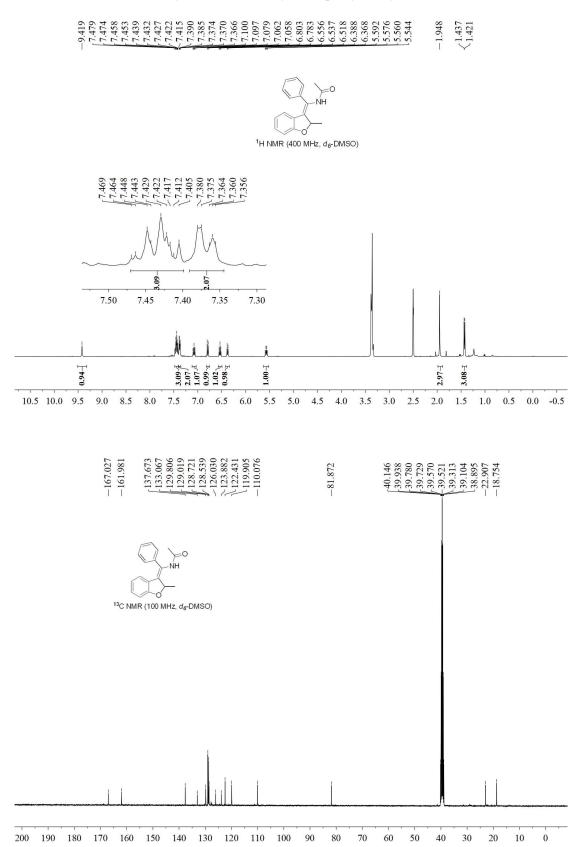
Table S7 Crystal data and structure refinement for Z-3aca	
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Formula weight	437.13
Temperature/K	170.0
Crystal system	monoclinic
Space group	Pc
a/Å	9.1676(10)
b/Å	4.8980(6)
c/Å	19.342(2)
α/°	90
β/°	92.437(3)
γ/°	90
Volume/Å ³	867.74(17)
Ζ	2
$\rho_{calc}g/cm^3$	1.673
µ/mm ⁻¹	4.679
F(000)	432.0
Crystal size/mm ³	0.19 imes 0.08 imes 0.05
Radiation	MoKα (λ = 0.71073)
2Θ range for data collection/°	4.216 to 52.73
Index ranges	$-9 \le h \le 11, -6 \le k \le 5, -23 \le 1 \le 24$
Reflections collected	4773
Independent reflections	2713 [$R_{int} = 0.0360, R_{sigma} = 0.0752$]
Data/restraints/parameters	2713/2/210
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	0.978
Final R indexes [I>= 2σ (I)]	$R_1 = 0.0359, wR_2 = 0.0714$
Final R indexes [all data]	$R_1 = 0.0518, wR_2 = 0.0793$
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å-3	0.33/-0.53

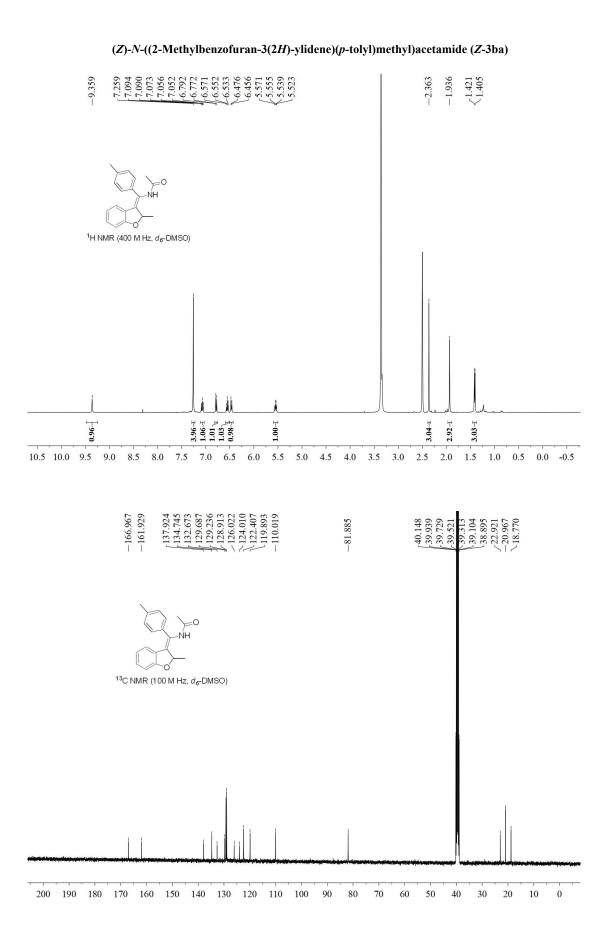
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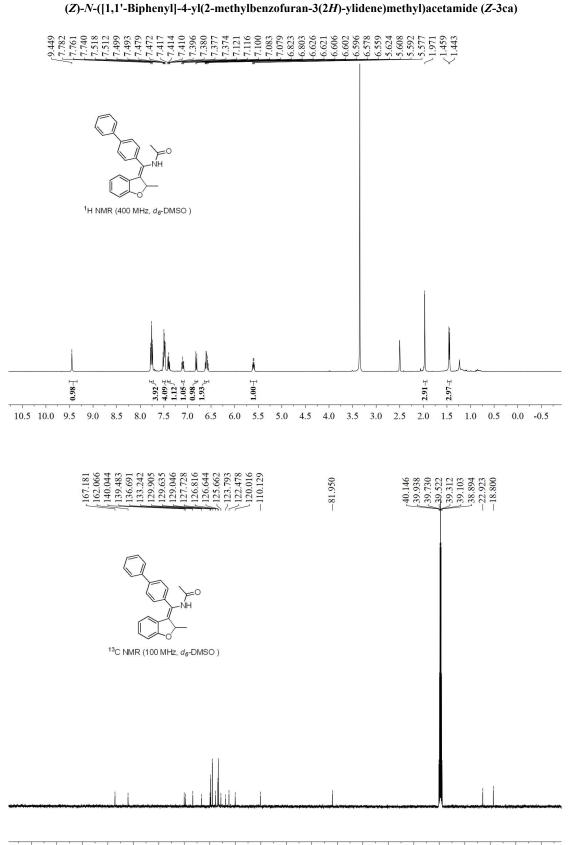
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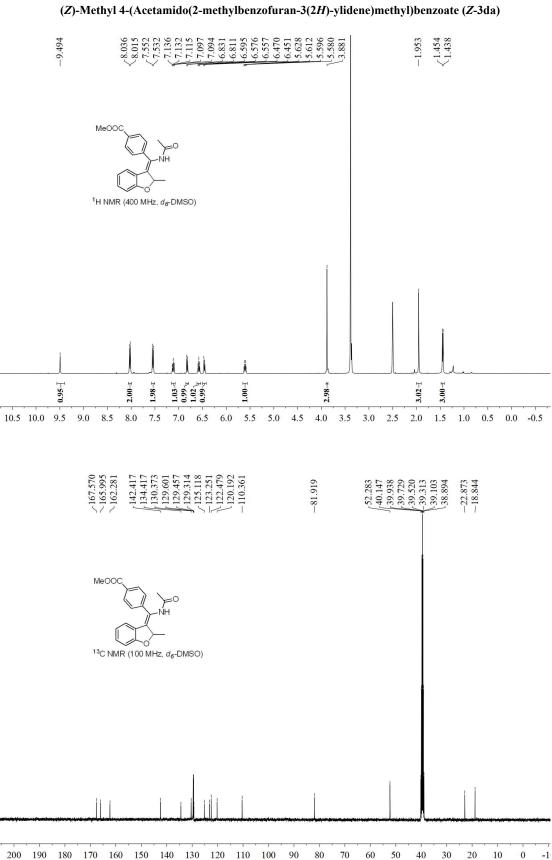


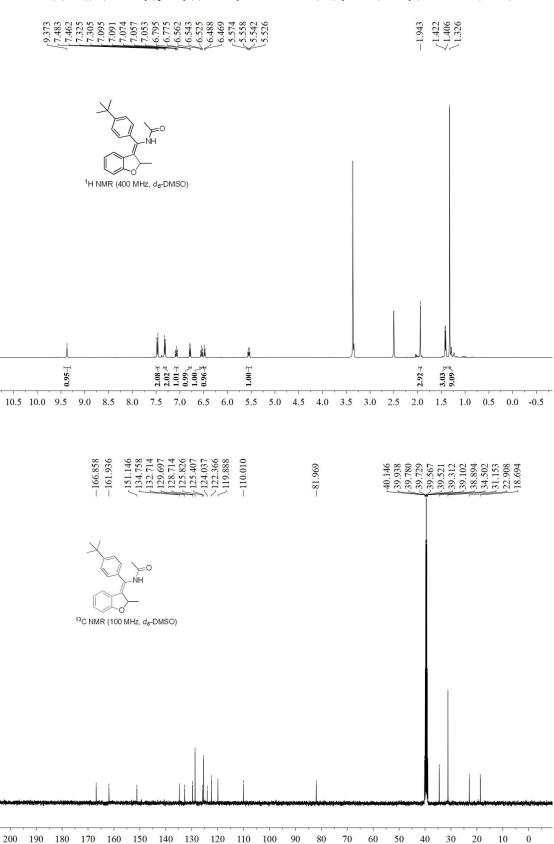


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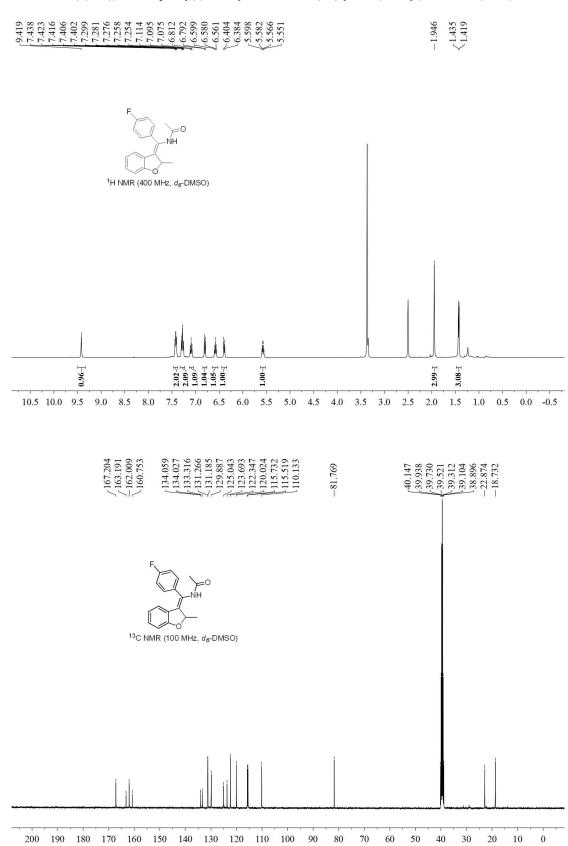


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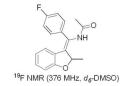


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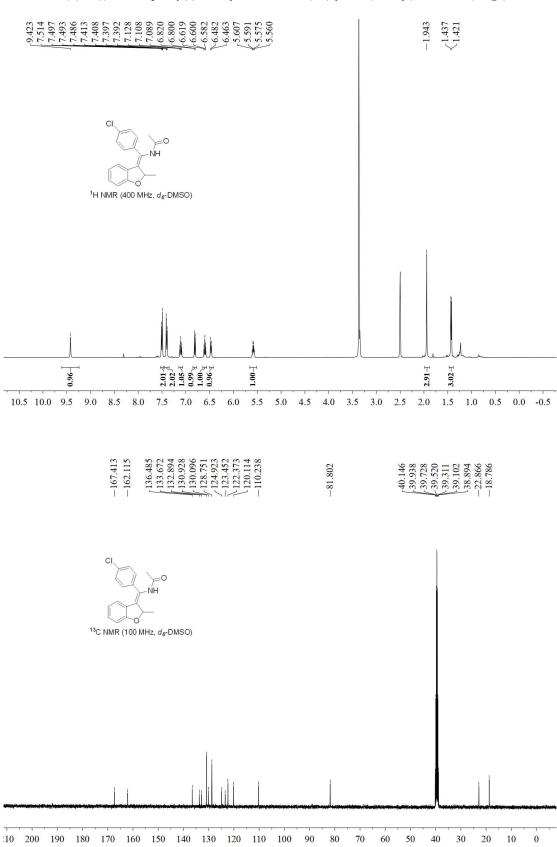


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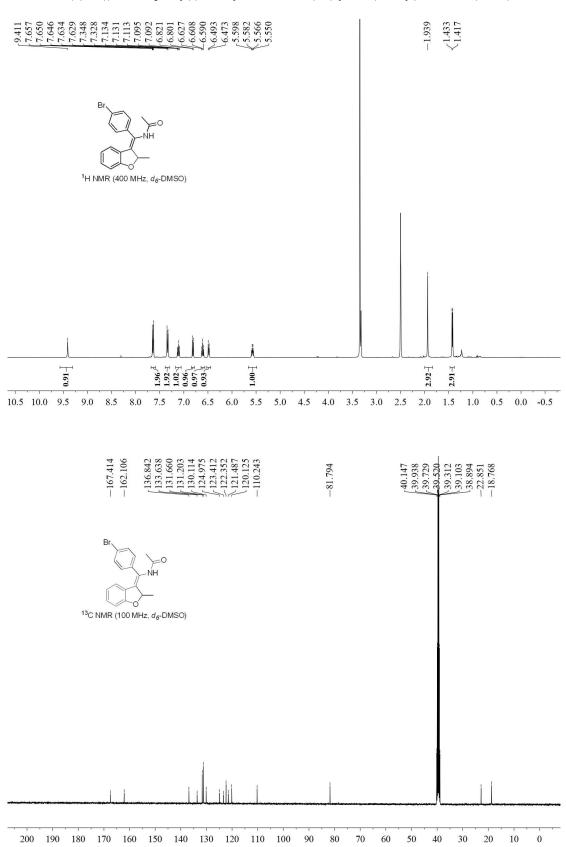




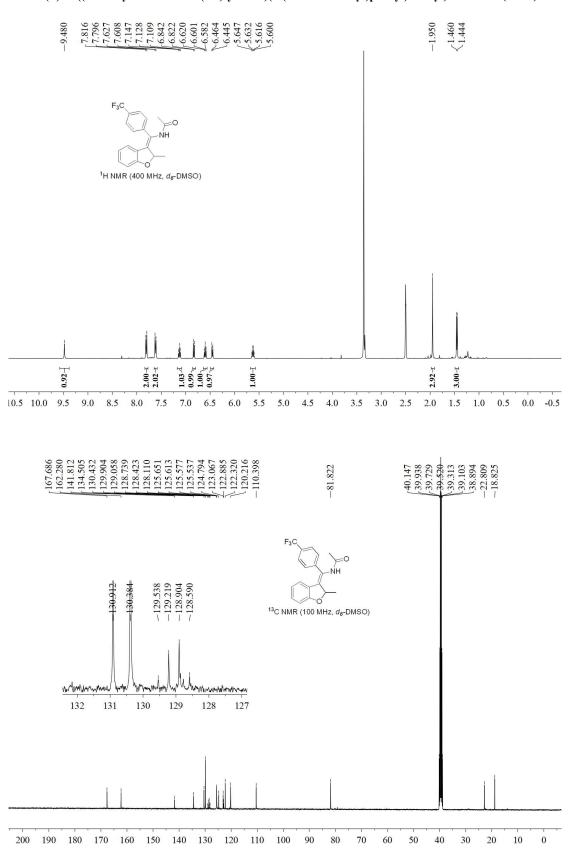
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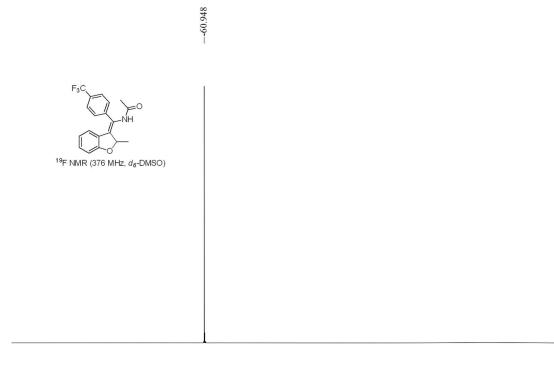
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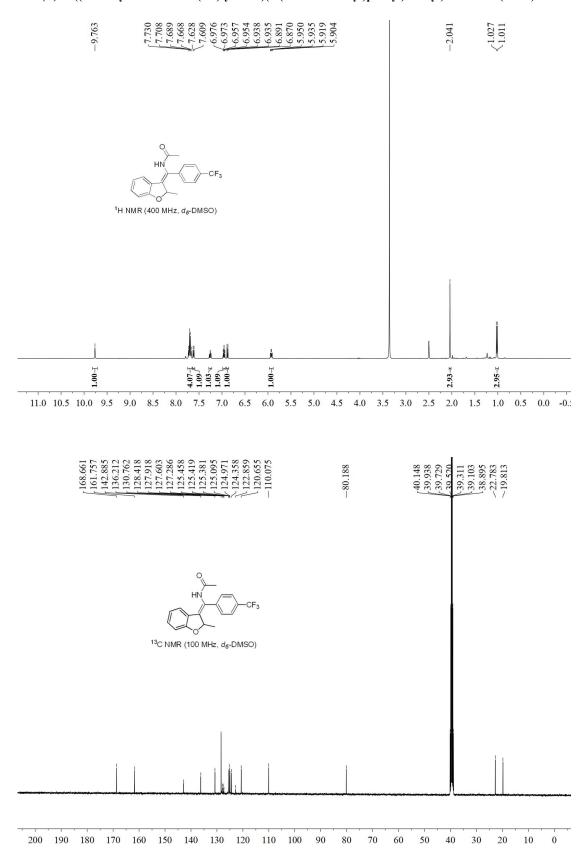
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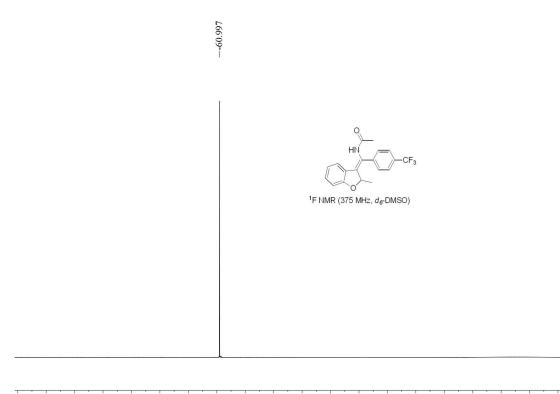
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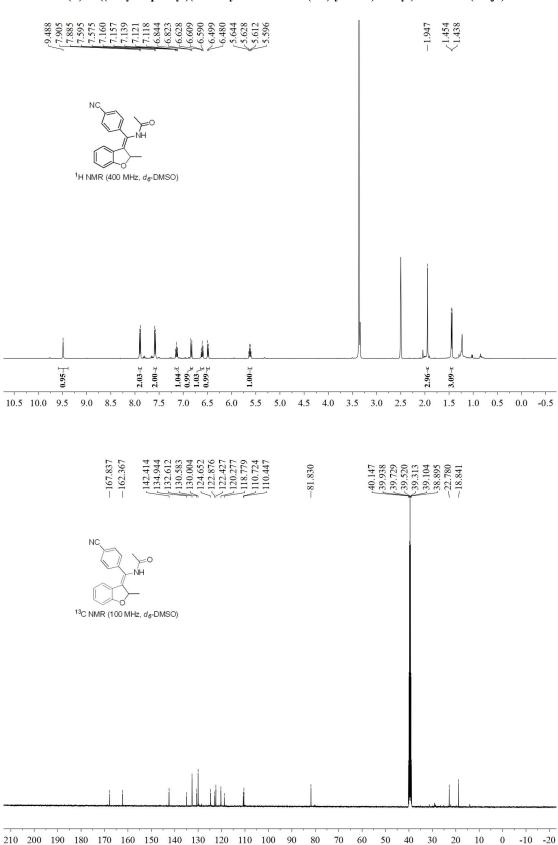
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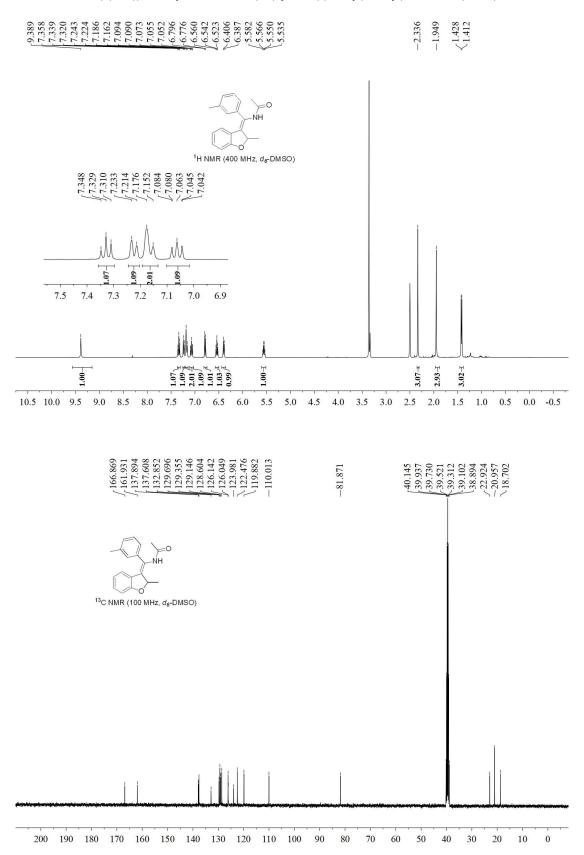
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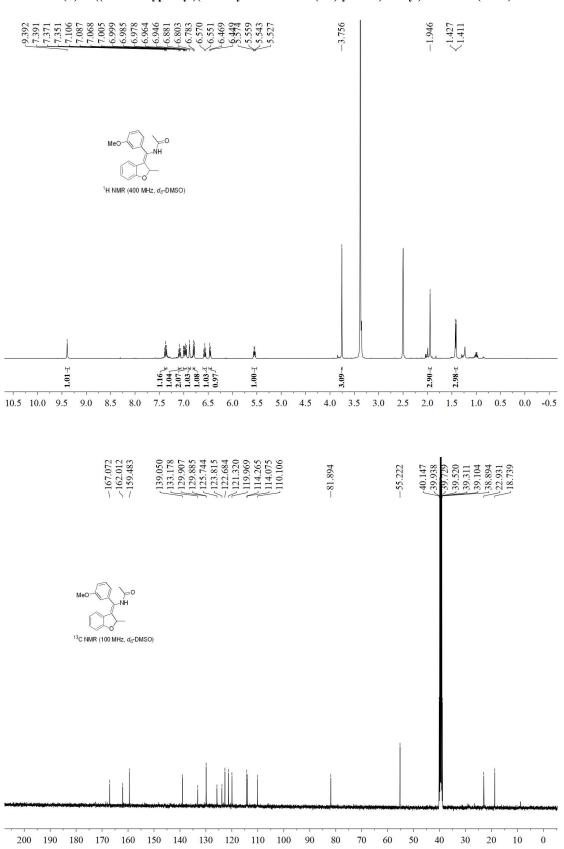
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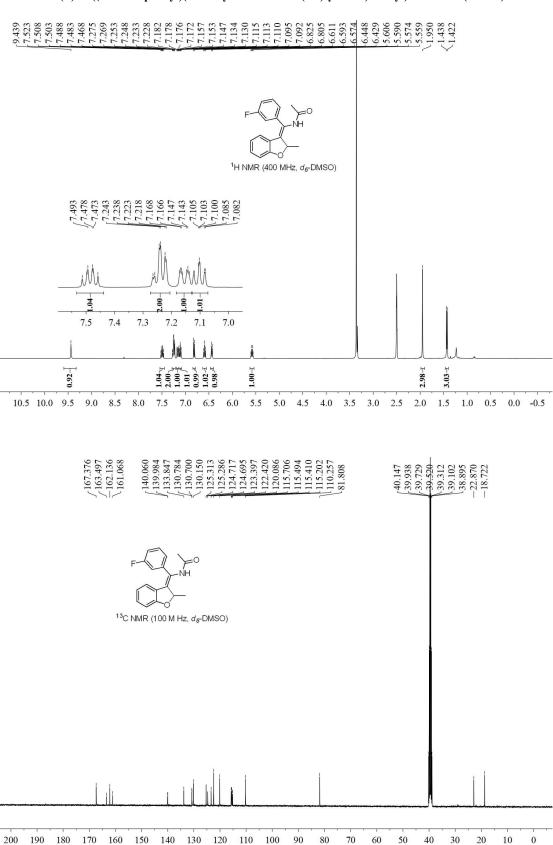


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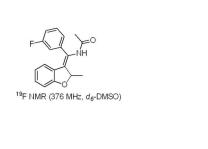


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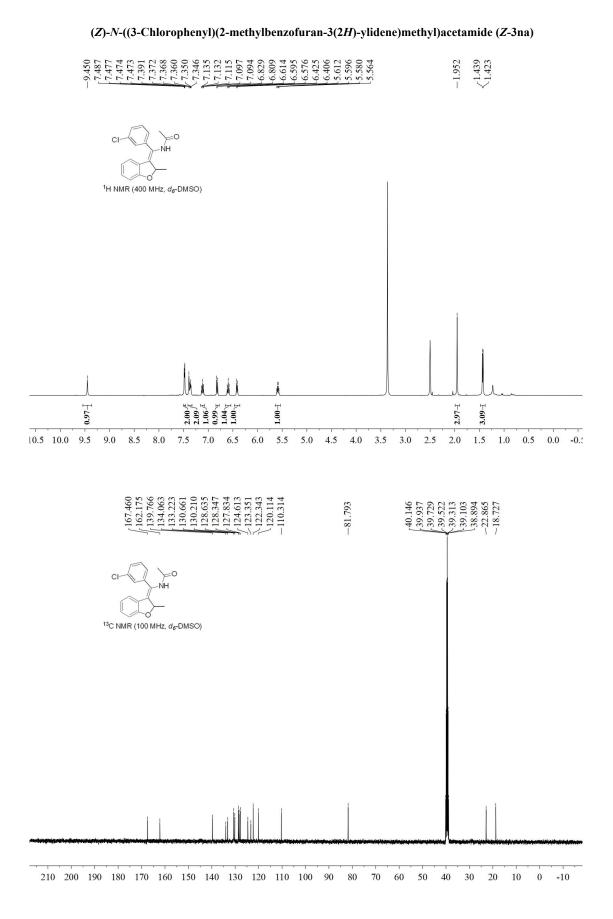


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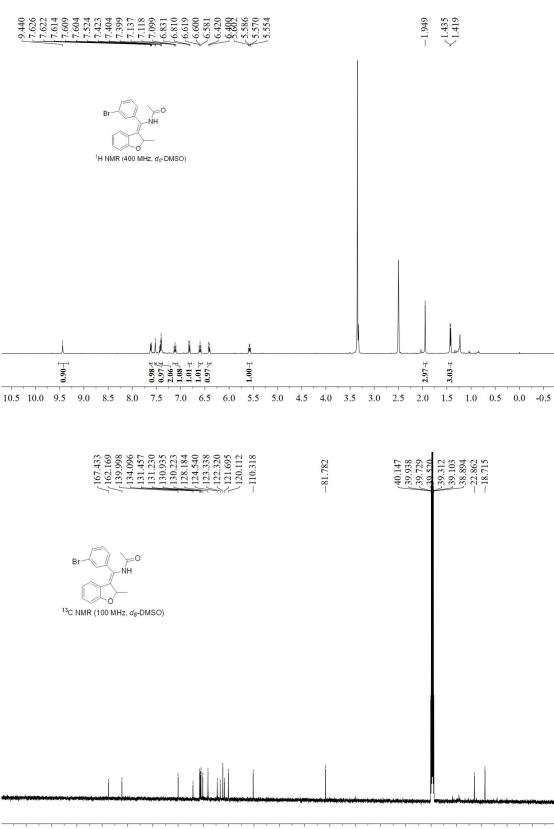


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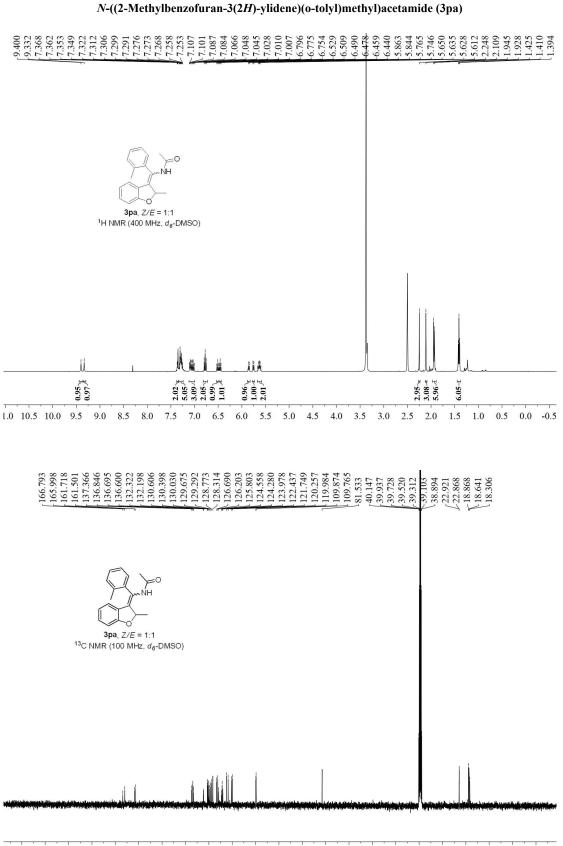


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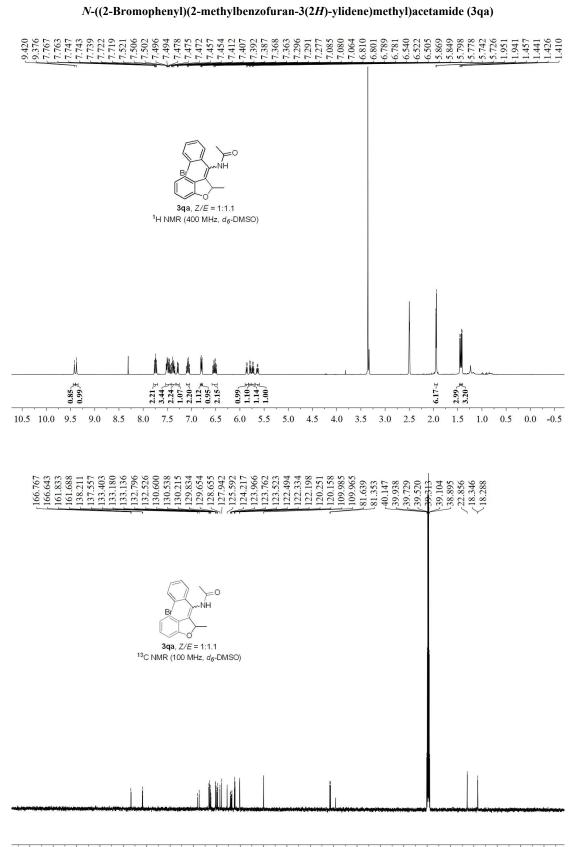


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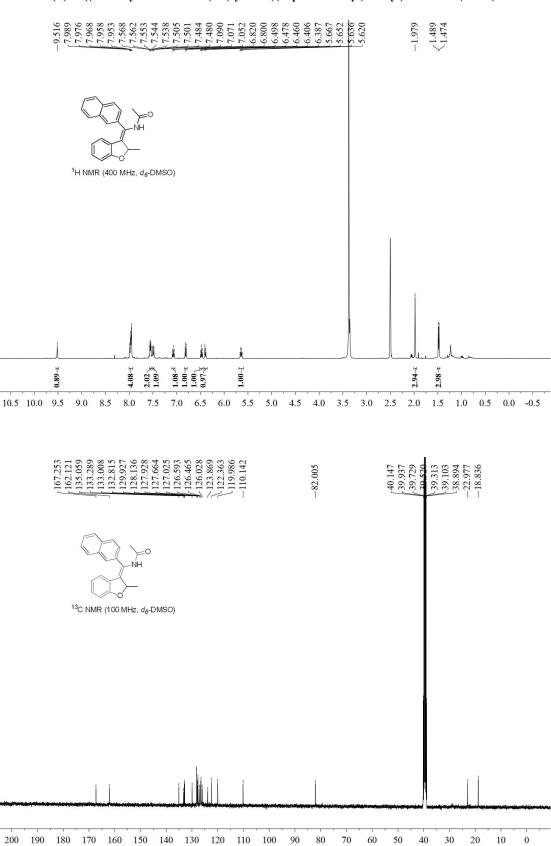
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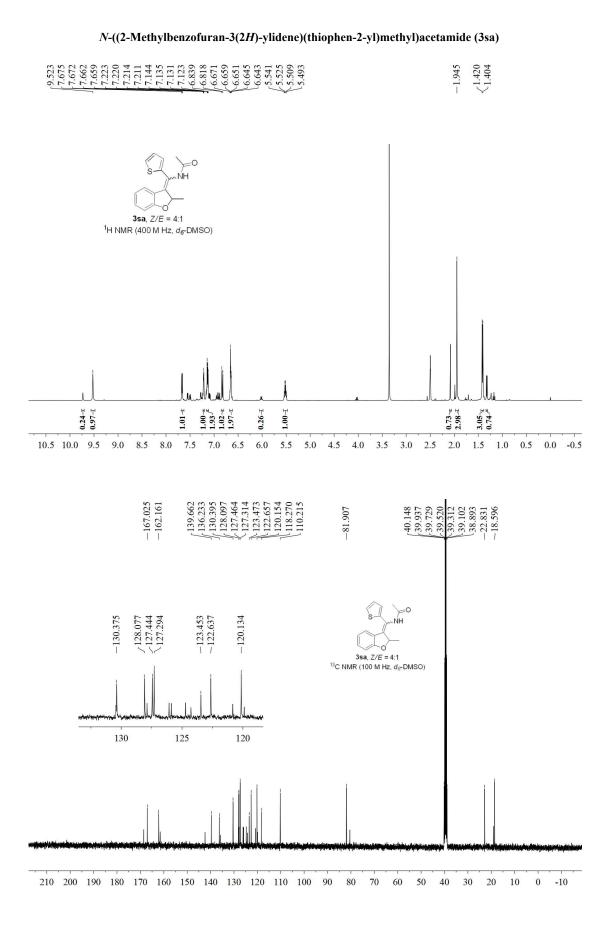
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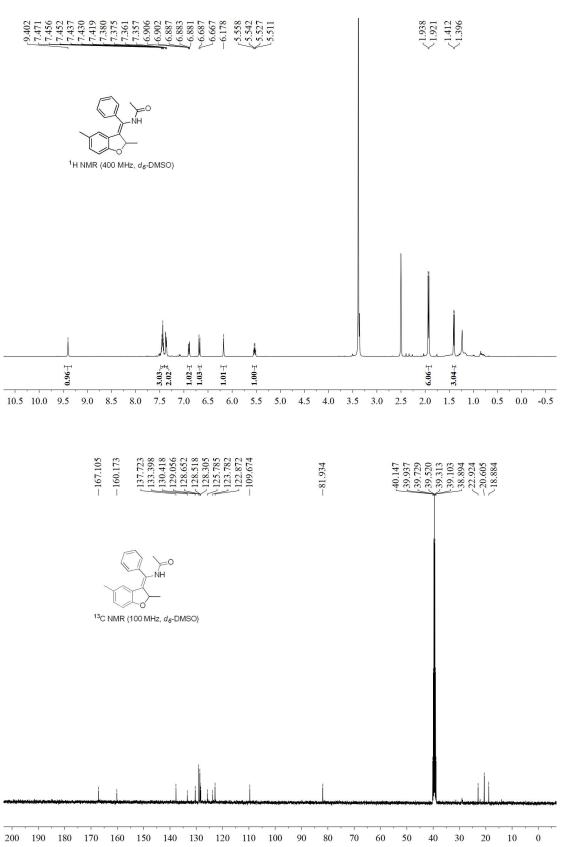


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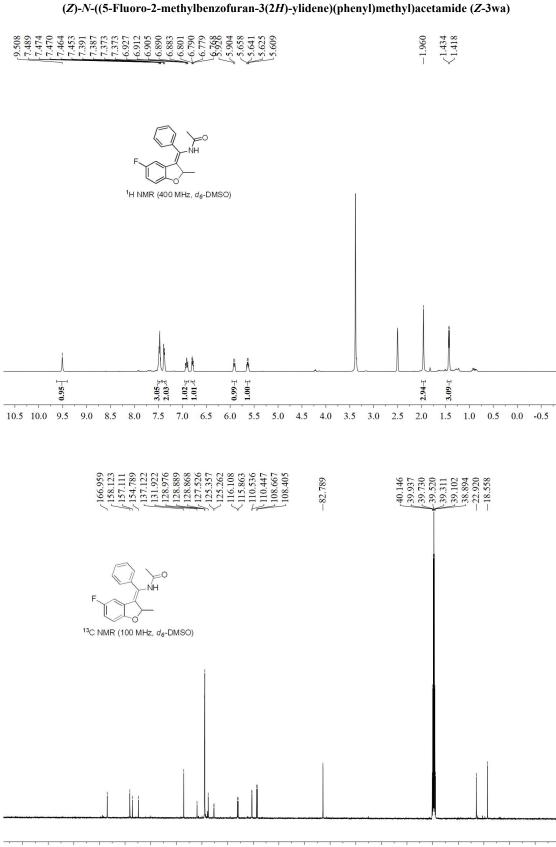


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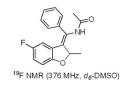




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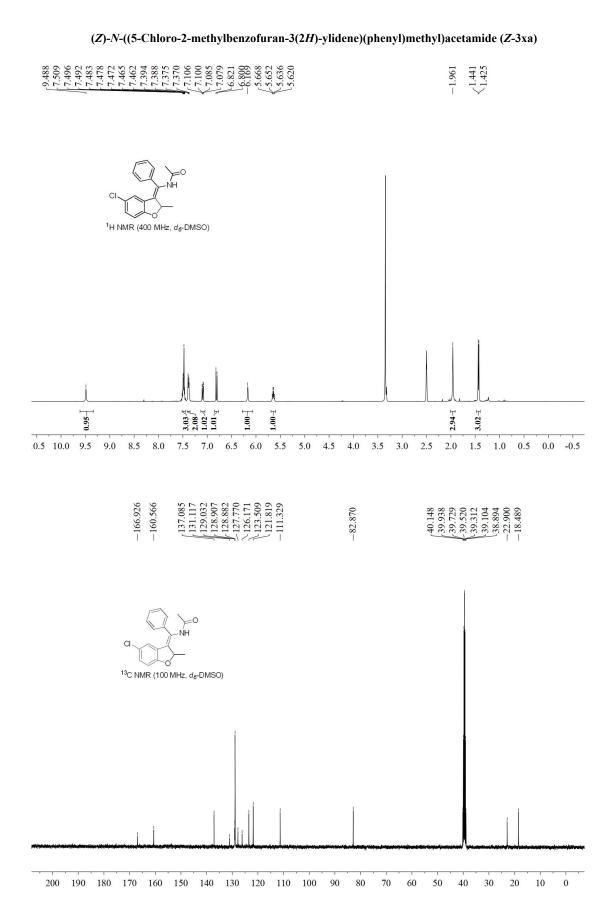
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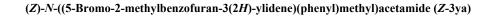
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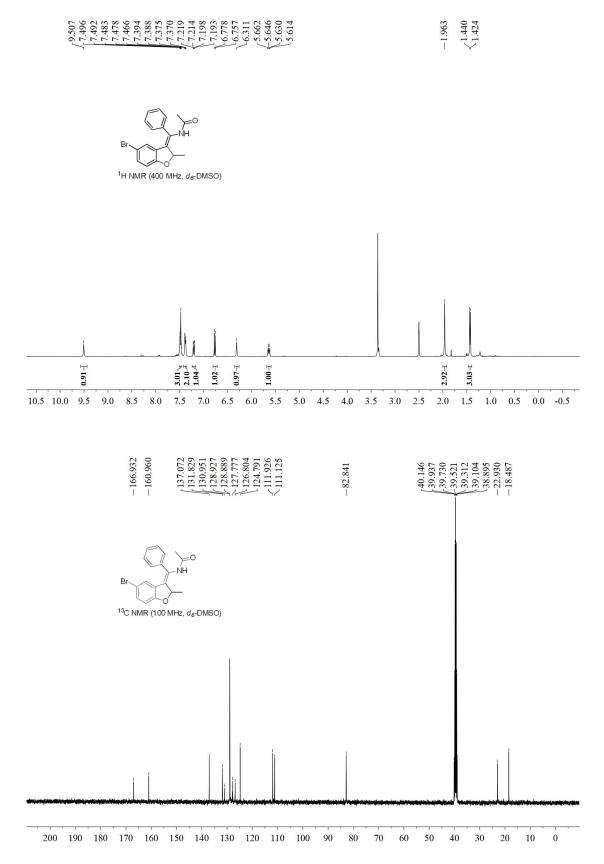
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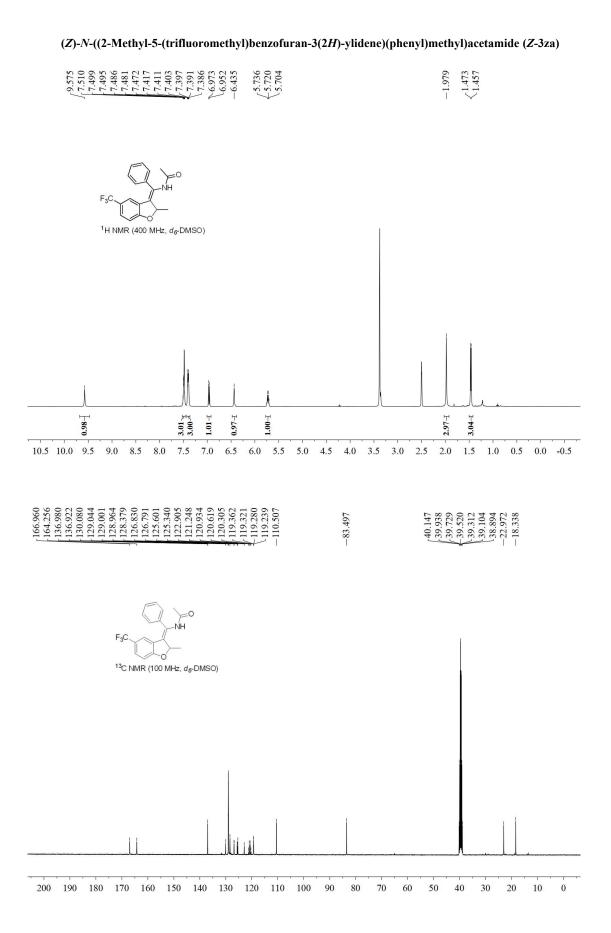
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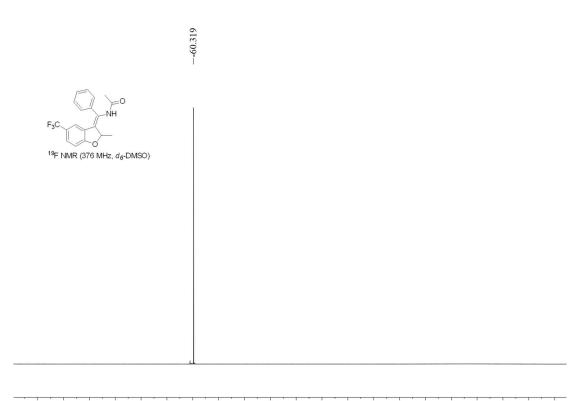


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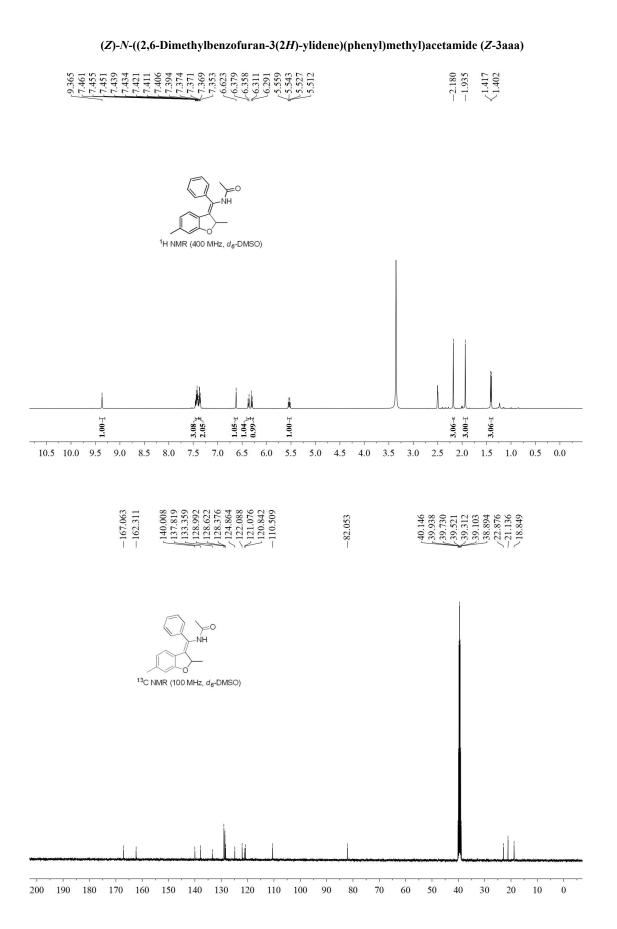




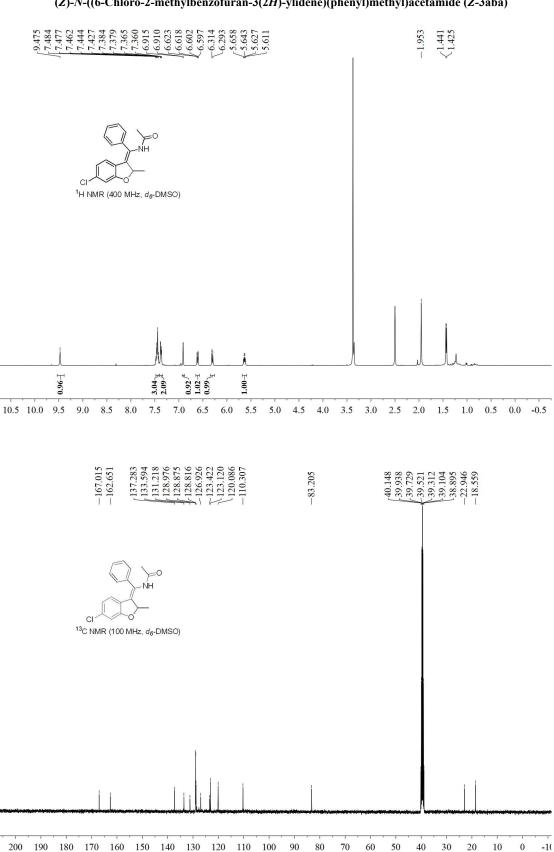


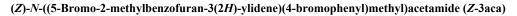


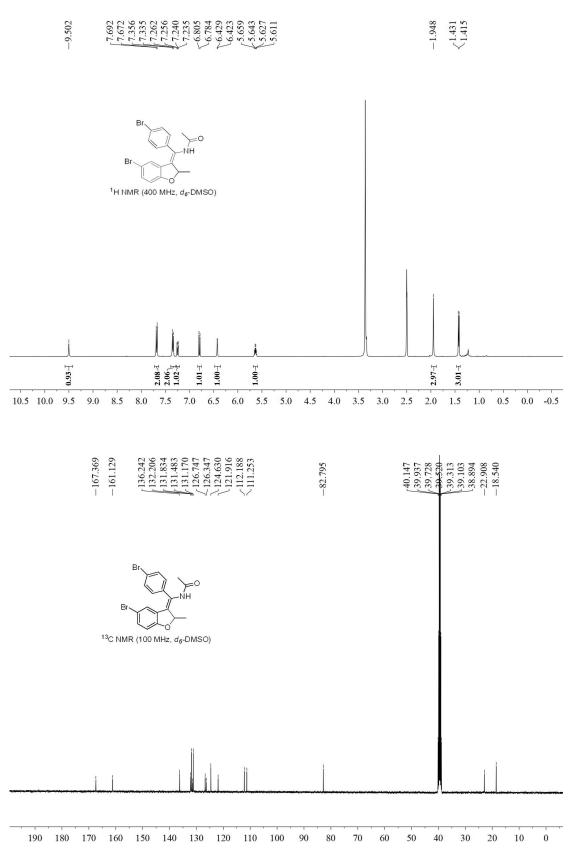
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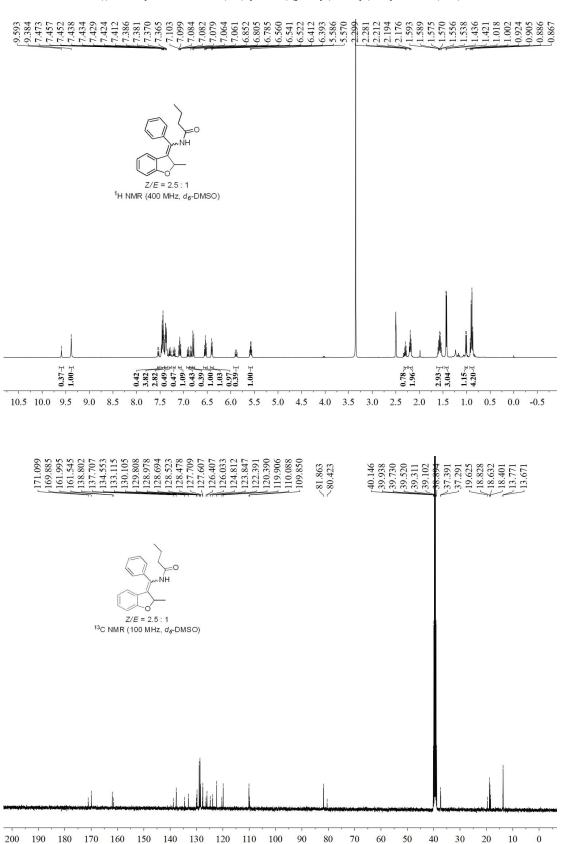


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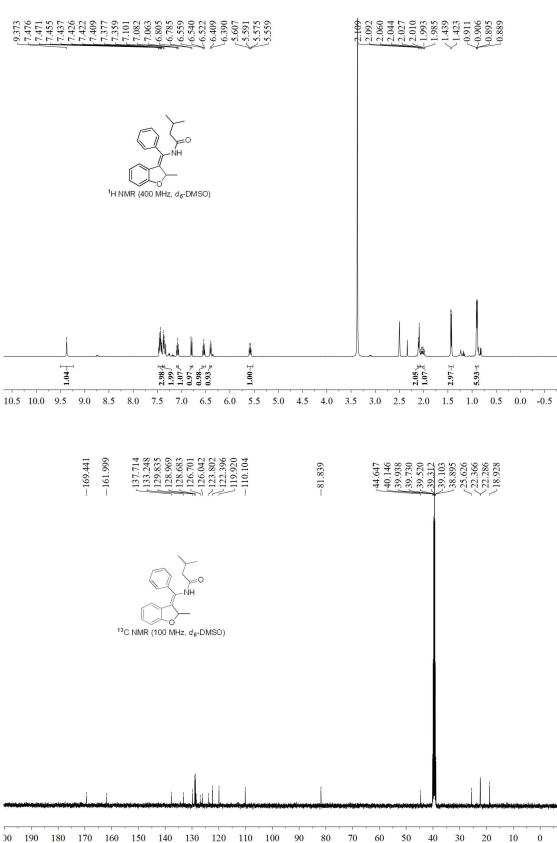




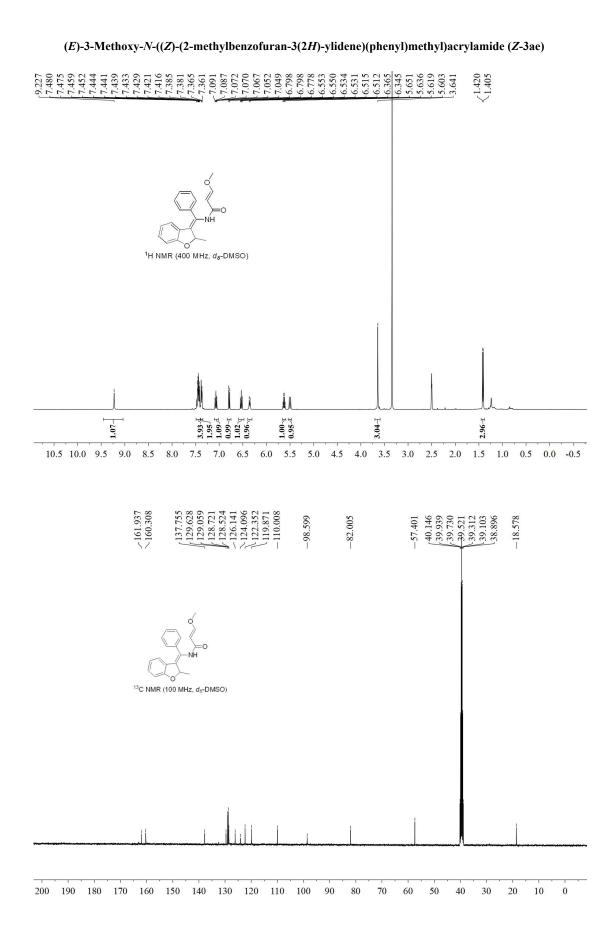




N-((2-Methylbenzofuran-3(2*H*)-ylidene)(phenyl)methyl)butyramide (3ab)

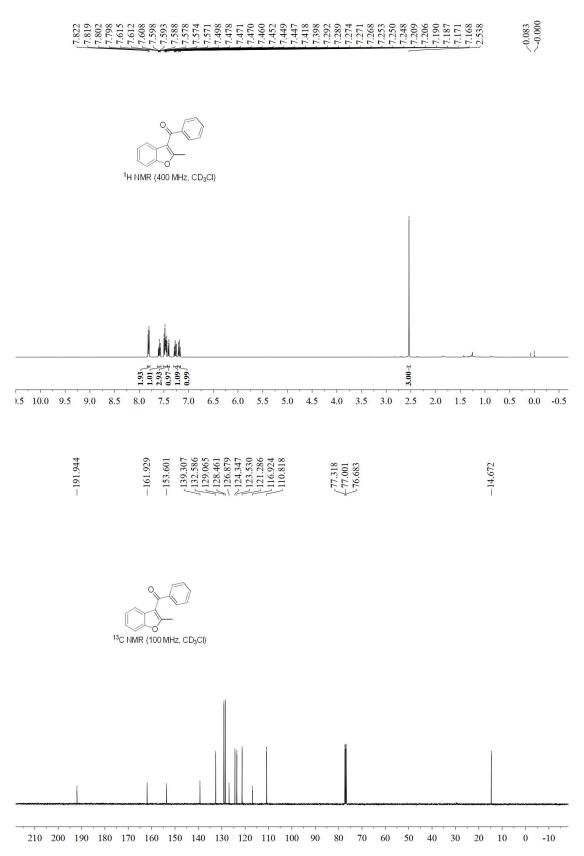


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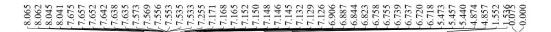


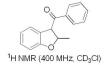
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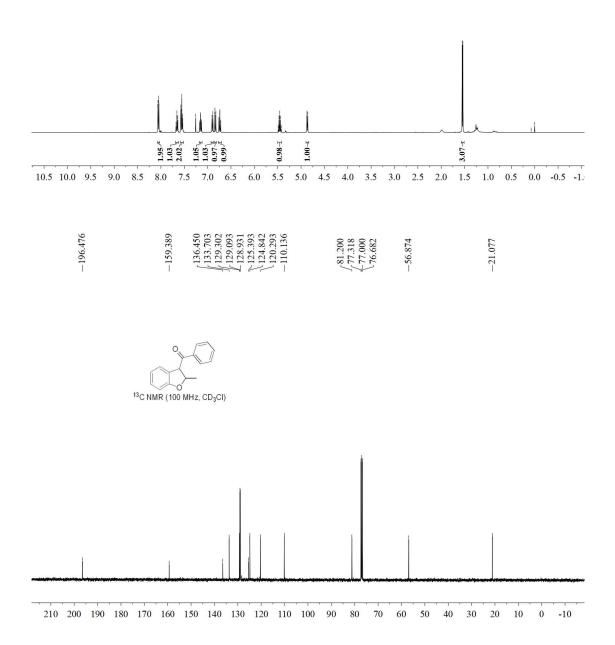
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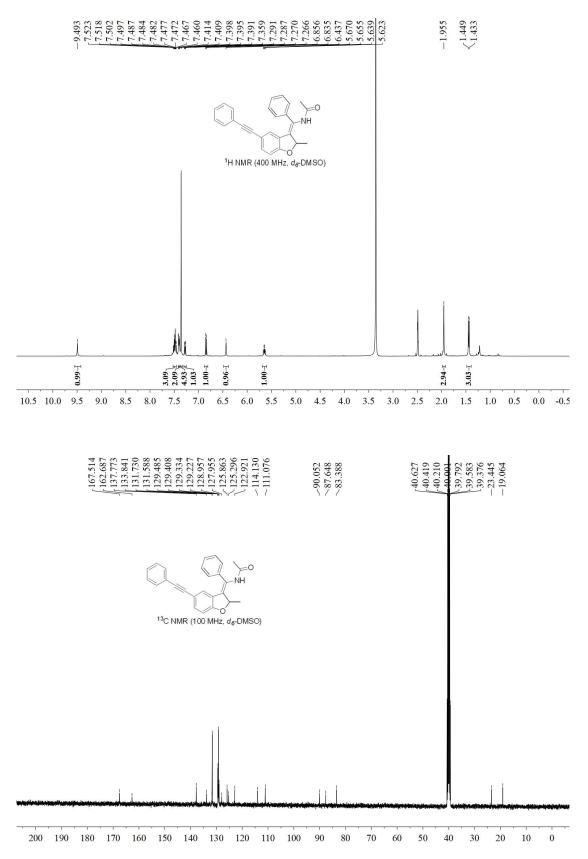


(2-Methyl-2,3-dihydrobenzofuran-3-yl)(phenyl)methanone (5)









(Z) - N - ((2-Methyl-5-(phenylethynyl)) benzofuran - 3(2H) - ylidene) (phenyl) methyl) acetamide (6)