

*Electronic Supporting Information (ESI) for*

**Highly efficient  $\alpha$ -arylation of aryl ketones with aryl chlorides  
by using bulky imidazolylidene-ligated oxazoline palladacycle**

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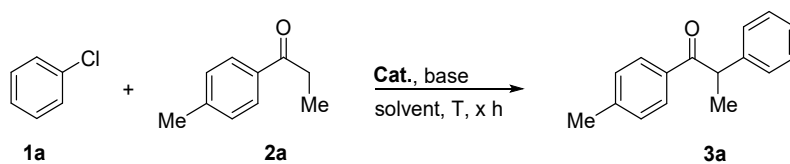
## 1. General experimental details

All reagents were commercially available unless otherwise noted. Precatalysts **Cat.1-Cat.12** were synthesized according to previously reported literatures.<sup>1</sup> All reactions were carried out under argon atmosphere in dried glassware. Air and moisture sensitive liquids and solutions were transferred *via* syringe. All solvents were dried and distilled by standard procedures. Solutions were concentrated under reduced pressure by rotary evaporation. Chromatographic purification of products was accomplished on silica gel Si 60® (300-400 mesh).

Nuclear magnetic resonance spectra were acquired on a Bruker AMX 400 (400 MHz, and 100 MHz for <sup>1</sup>H, and <sup>13</sup>C respectively) and a Bruker DRX 600 (500 MHz, and 150 MHz for <sup>1</sup>H, and <sup>13</sup>C respectively). All <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra are reported in parts per million (ppm) downfield of TMS and were measured relative to the signals at 7.26 ppm (CDCl<sub>3</sub>). All <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were reported in ppm relative to CDCl<sub>3</sub> (77.16 ppm) were obtained with <sup>1</sup>H-decoupling. Data for <sup>1</sup>H-NMR are reported as follows: chemical shift ( $\delta$  in ppm), multiplicity (s = singlet; brs = broad singlet; vbs = vary broad singlet; d = doublet; t = triplet; q = quartet; quint = quintet; sext = sextet; m = multiplet), coupling constant (Hz), integration. Data for <sup>13</sup>C-NMR are reported in terms of chemical shift ( $\delta$  in ppm), multiplicity, coupling constant (Hz). High-resolution mass spectra were obtained on a Finnigan MAT 8200 instrument.

## 2. Optimization of reaction conditions

### 2.1 $\alpha$ -Arylation of *p*-methylpropiophenone **2a** with chlorobenzene **1a**



**Scheme S1**  $\alpha$ -Arylation of chlorobenzene **1a** and *p*-methylpropiophenone **2a**

**Table S1<sup>a</sup>** Screening the amount of H<sub>2</sub>O

Entry	H <sub>2</sub> O/ $\mu$ L	Yield/%
1	0	26
2	5	30
3	8	58
4	10	73
5	12	76
6	13	87
7	14	72
8	15	71
9	20	70
10	40	26
11	60	trace

<sup>a</sup> Standard condition: **1a** (1.0 mmol), **2a** (1.2 mmol), dioxane (3 mL), **Cat.1** (0.5 mol%), *t*BuONa (2.0 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (x  $\mu$ L), 12 h, 100 °C. Isolated yield.

**Table S2<sup>a</sup>** Screening solvents

Entry	Solvent	Yield/%
1	dioxane	87
2	DME	83
3	THF	72
4	MTBE	77



5	toluene	trace
6	ACN	51
7	EtOH	NR
8	CPME	62
9	DMF	32
10	DMSO	8

<sup>a</sup> Standard condition: **1a** (1.0 mmol), **2a** (1.2 mmol), solvent (3 mL), **Cat.1** (0.5 mol%), *t*BuONa (2.0 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (13 μL), 12 h, 100 °C. Isolated yield. THF= tetrahydrofuran; MTBE =methyl *tert*-butyl ether; ACN = acetonitrile; DMF = dimethyl formamide; DMSO = dimethyl sulfoxide.

**Table S3<sup>a</sup>** Screening bases

Entry	Base	Yield/%
1	<i>t</i> BuONa	87
2	<i>t</i> BuOK	28
3	<i>t</i> BuOLi	9
4	Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	NR
5	Na <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	NR
6	K <sub>3</sub> PO <sub>4</sub>	NR
7	KOH	55
8	Et <sub>3</sub> N	NR

<sup>a</sup> Standard condition: **1a** (1.0 mmol), **2a** (1.2 mmol), dioxane (3 mL), **Cat.1** (0.5 mol%), base (2.0 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (13 μL), 12 h, 100 °C. Isolated yield.

**Table S4<sup>a</sup>** Screening equiv. of *t*BuONa

Entry	n equiv.	Yield/%
1	1.0	34
2	1.2	31
3	1.5	66
4	1.8	64

5	2.0	87
6	2.2	65
7	2.5	18

<sup>a</sup> Standard condition: **1a** (1.0 mmol), **2a** (1.2 mmol), dioxane (3 mL), **Cat.1** (0.5 mol%), *t*BuONa (x mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (13 μL), 12 h, 100 °C. Isolated yield.

**Table S5<sup>a</sup>** Screening catalyst-loading

Entry	Cat./mol%	Yield/%
1	0.25	63
2	0.5	87

<sup>a</sup> Standard condition: **1a** (1.0 mmol), **2a** (1.2 mmol), dioxane (3 mL), **Cat.1** (x mol%), *t*BuONa (2.0 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (13 μL), 12 h, 100 °C. Isolated yield.

**Table S6<sup>a</sup>** Screening temperature

Entry	T/°C	Yield/%
1	60	78
2	70	84
3	80	81
4	90	88
5	100	87
6	110	56

<sup>a</sup> Standard condition: **1a** (1.0 mmol), **2a** (1.2 mmol), dioxane (3 mL), **Cat.1** (0.5 mol%), *t*BuONa (2.0 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (13 μL), 12 h, T °C. Isolated yield.

**Table S7<sup>a</sup>** Screening equiv. of *p*-methylphenylacetone **2a**

Entry	n equiv.	Yield/%
1	1.0	83
2	1.2	88
3	1.3	88
4	1.4	91

5	1.5	93
6	1.6	83

<sup>a</sup> Standard condition: **1a** (1.0 mmol), **2a** (x mmol), dioxane (3 mL), **Cat.1** (0.5 mol%), *t*BuONa (2.0 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (13 μL), 12 h, 90 °C. Isolated yield.

**Table S8<sup>a</sup>** Screening the volume of solvent

Entry	Volume/mL	Yield/%
1	2	87
2	3	93
3	4	86

<sup>a</sup> Standard condition: **1a** (1.0 mmol), **2a** (1.5 mmol), dioxane (x mL), **Cat.1** (0.5 mol%), *t*BuONa (2.0 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (13 μL), 12 h, 90 °C. Isolated yield.

**Table S9<sup>a</sup>** Screening reaction time

Entry	Time/h	Yield/%
1	6	90
2	12	93
3	18	91
4	24	90

<sup>a</sup> Standard condition: **1a** (1.0 mmol), **2a** (1.5 mmol), dioxane (3 mL), **Cat.1** (0.5 mol%), *t*BuONa (2.0 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (13 μL), x h, 90 °C. Isolated yield.

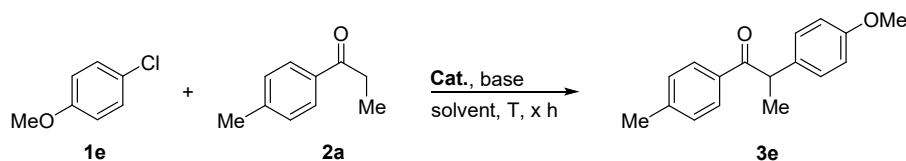
**Table S10<sup>a</sup>** Screening catalysts

Entry	Cat.	Yield/%
1	<b>Cat.1</b>	93
2	<b>Cat.2</b>	85
3	<b>Cat.3</b>	87
4	<b>Cat.4</b>	91
5	<b>Cat.5</b>	89
6	<b>Cat.6</b>	91

7	<b>Cat.7</b>	92
8	<b>Cat.8</b>	85
9	<b>Cat.9</b>	92

<sup>a</sup> Standard condition: **1a** (1.0 mmol), **2a** (1.5 mmol), dioxane (3 mL), **Cat.** (0.5 mol%), *t*BuONa (2.0 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (13 μL), 12 h, 90 °C. Isolated yield.

## 2.2 $\alpha$ -Arylation of *p*-methylpropiophenone **2a** with *p*-chloroanisole **1e**



**Scheme S2**  $\alpha$ -Arylation of *p*-chloroanisole **1e** and *p*-methylpropiophenone **2a**

**Table S11<sup>a</sup>** Screening the amount of H<sub>2</sub>O

Entry	H <sub>2</sub> O/ $\mu$ L	Yield/%
1	0	NR
2	8	63
3	10	64
4	13	61
5	15	44
6	18	44
7	20	NR

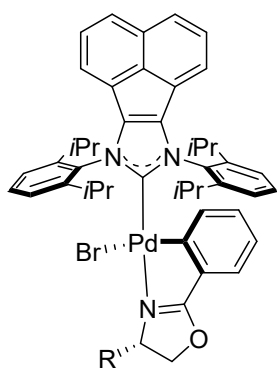
<sup>a</sup> Standard condition: **1e** (1.0 mmol), **2a** (1.5 mmol), dioxane (3 mL), **Cat.1** (0.5 mol%), *t*BuONa (2.0 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (x  $\mu$ L), 12 h, 90 °C. Isolated yield.

**Table S12<sup>a</sup>** Screening catalysts

Entry	<b>Cat.</b>	Yield/%
1	<b>Cat.1</b>	64
2	<b>Cat.2</b>	81

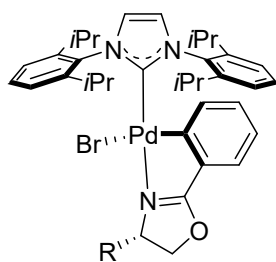
3	<b>Cat.3</b>	15
4	<b>Cat.4</b>	94/93 <sup>b</sup>
5	<b>Cat.5</b>	89
6	<b>Cat.6</b>	55
7	<b>Cat.7</b>	68
8	<b>Cat.8</b>	67
9	<b>Cat.9</b>	58
10	<b>Cat.10</b>	79
11	<b>Cat.11</b>	93
12	<b>Cat.12</b>	82

<sup>a</sup> Standard condition: **1e** (1.0 mmol), **2a** (1.5 mmol), dioxane (3 mL), **Cat.** (0.5 mol%), *t*BuONa (2.0 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (10 μL), 12 h, 90 °C. Isolated yield. <sup>b</sup> D<sub>2</sub>O (10 μL).



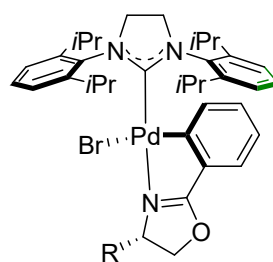
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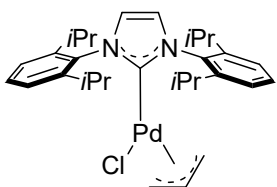
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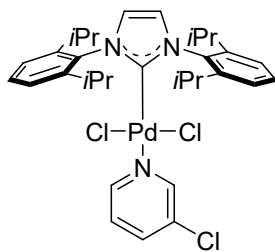


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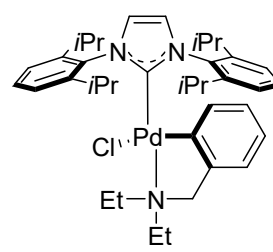
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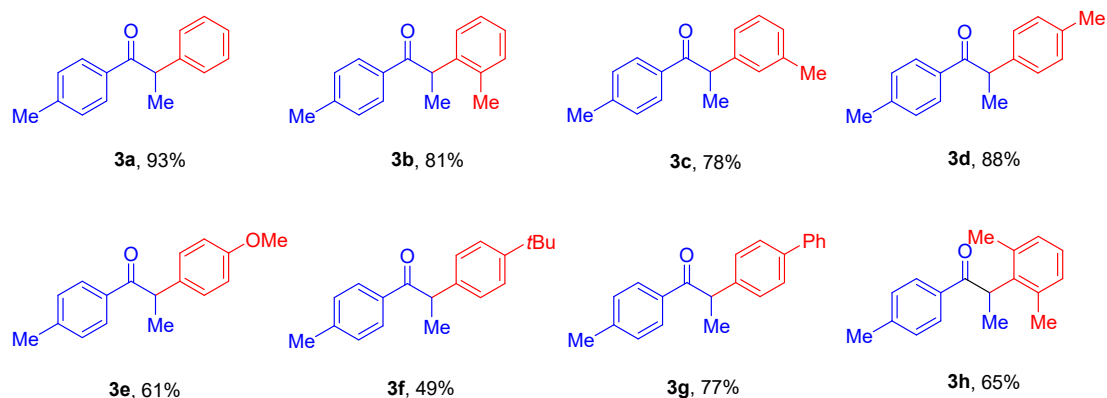


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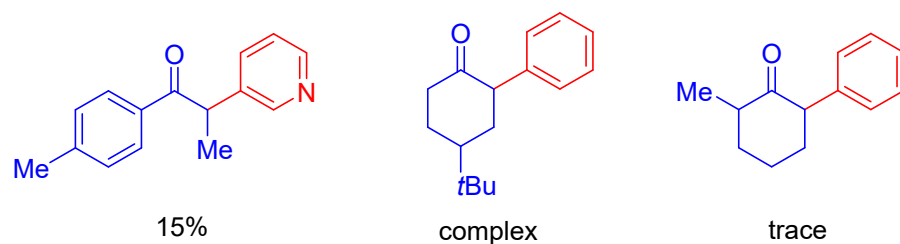


**Cat.12**

### 3. Substrate scopes

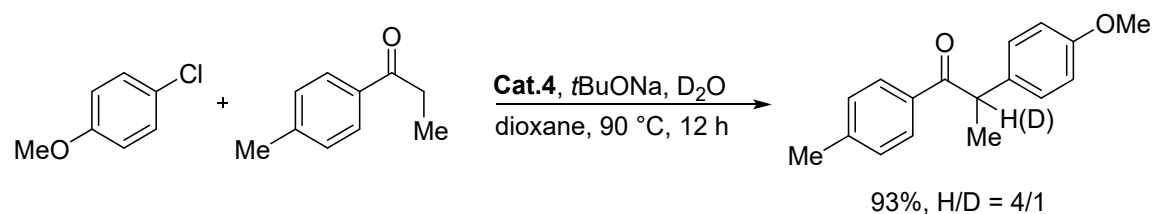


**Scheme S3** Substrate scopes catalyzed by using **Cat.1** according to standard condition A: Standard condition (Method A): **1** (1.0 mmol), **2** (1.5 mmol), **Cat.1** (0.5 mol%), *t*BuONa (2.0 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (13  $\mu$ L), dioxane (3 mL), 12 h, 90 °C. Isolated yield.



**Scheme S4** Substrates tested with poor reactivity by using **Cat.4** according to standard condition (Method B): **1** (1.0 mmol), **2** (1.5 mmol), **Cat.4** (0.5 mol%), *t*BuONa (2.0 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (10  $\mu$ L), dioxane (3 mL), 12 h, 90 °C. Isolated yield.

### 4. Control experiments and proposal mechanism



**Scheme S5**  $\alpha$ -Arylation of *p*-chloroanisole **1e** and *p*-methylpropiophenone **2a** in the presence of D<sub>2</sub>O

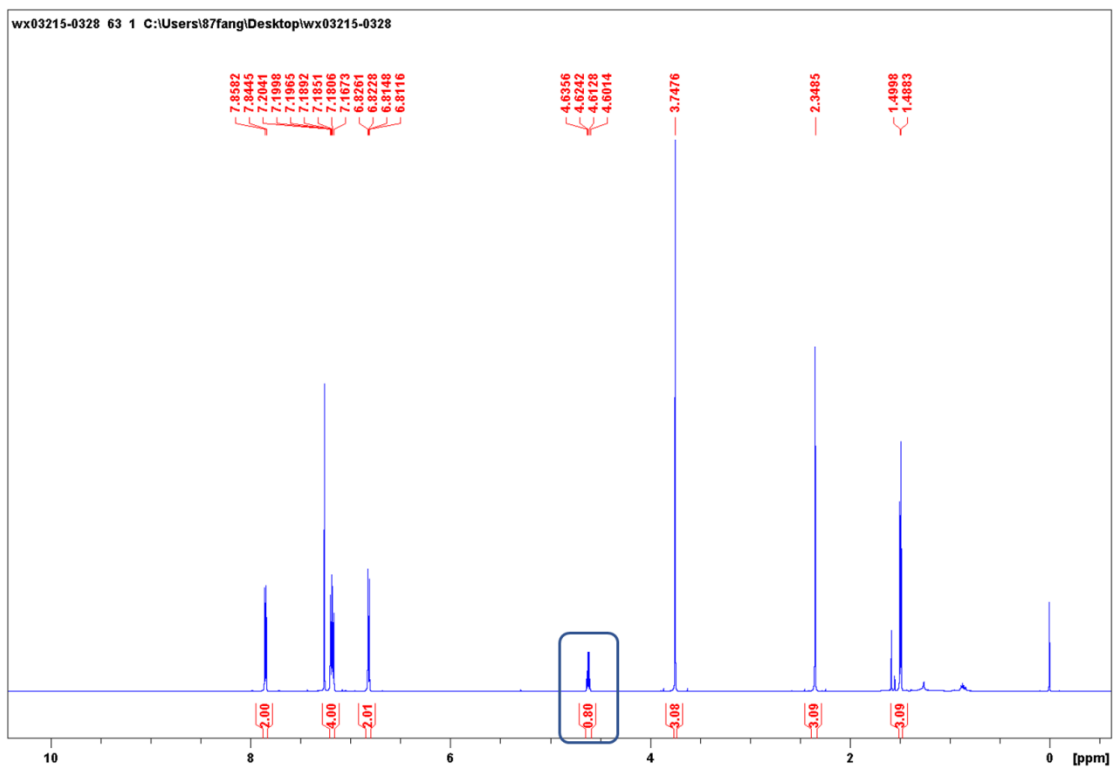


Fig. S1  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) spectrum of  $3e'$  in the presence of  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$

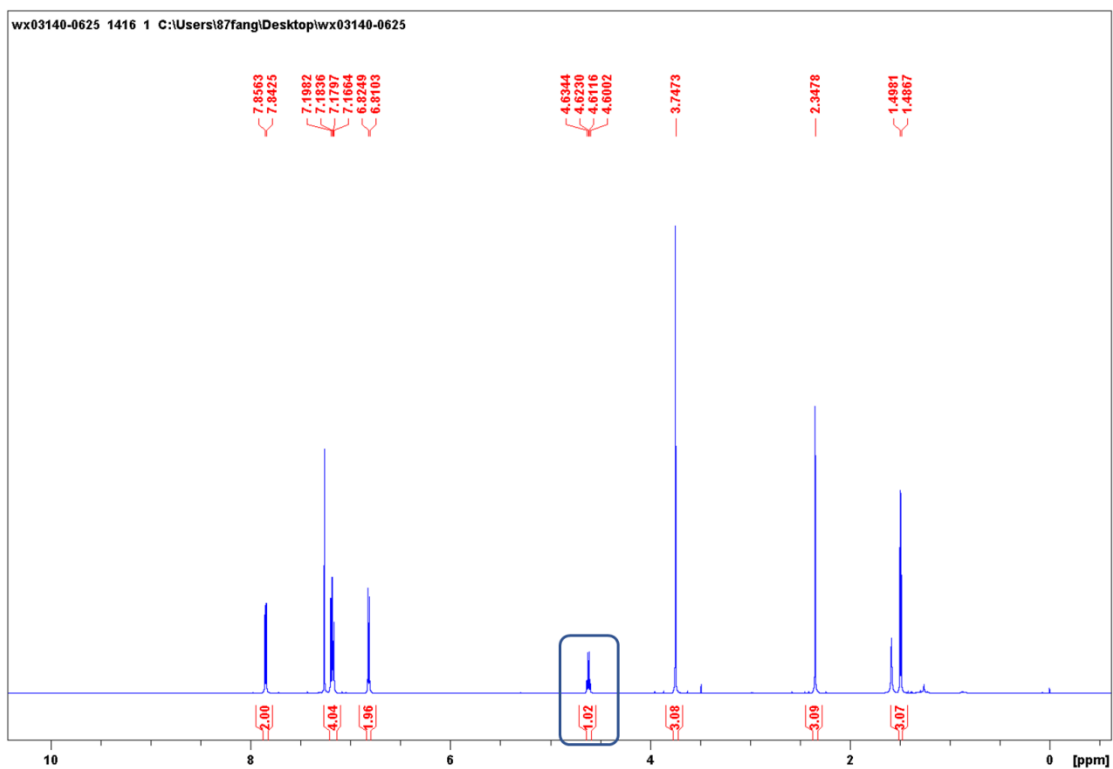
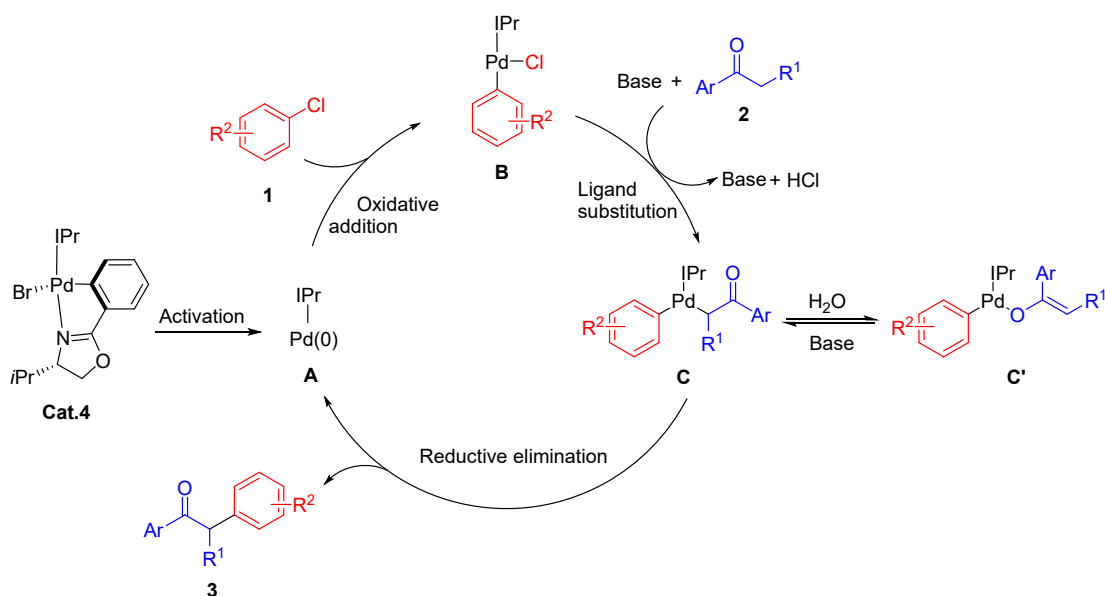


Fig. S2  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) spectrum of  $3e$  in the presence of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$



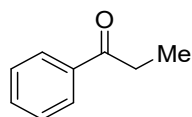
**Scheme S6** Proposed reaction mechanism of  $\alpha$ -arylation catalyzed by **Cat.4**

At the current stage, we suggested the presence of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  effected the keto-enol tautomerism equilibrium, however, its role in the activation of the precatalyst<sup>2</sup> could be excluded. We will carry out the DFT calculations with other groups to get a deep insight.

## 5. General procedure for synthesis of substrates

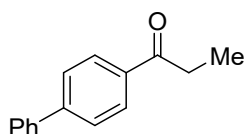
To a flame dried round bottom flask equipped with a magnetic stir bar, diisopropylamine (0.92 mL, 6.6 mmol) in dry THF (15 mL) was added at  $-78\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . Then, *n*BuLi (2.64 mL, 6.6 mmol, 2.5 M in Hexane) was added dropwise, and the reaction mixture was stirred for 30 minutes. Then, acetophenone (0.70 mL, 6 mmol) was added and reacted for 30 minutes. Then, methyl iodide (0.45 mL, 7.2 mmol) in dry THF (15 mL) was added. After 4 h, the reaction was quenched with saturated ammonium chloride. The organic phase was separated, and the aqueous phase was washed with hexane (1 $\times$ 5 mL). The combined organic phases were washed with 1 M HCl (1 $\times$ 10 mL), dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, filtered, and evaporated under reduced pressure. The crude products were further purified by column chromatography leading to desired products.





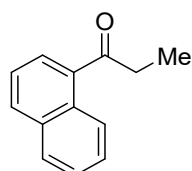
**2q:** Following the **General procedure**, **2q** was obtained as a yellow oil, 645.7 mg, yield = 27%.

$^1\text{H NMR}$  (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 7.98-7.95 (m, 2H), 7.57-7.54 (m, 1H), 7.48-7.44 (m, 2H), 3.01 (q,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.23 (t,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 3H). The data was the same to previous literature.<sup>3</sup>



**2u:** Following the **General procedure**, **2u** was obtained as a white solid, 359.3 mg, yield = 28%.

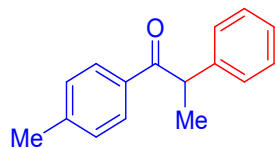
$^1\text{H NMR}$  (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 8.06-8.03 (m, 2H), 7.70-7.67 (m, 2H), 7.64-7.62 (m, 2H), 7.49-7.46 (m, 2H), 7.46-7.38 (m, 1H), 3.04 (q,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.26 (t,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 3H). The data was the same to previous literature.<sup>4</sup>



**2y:** Following the **General procedure**, **2y** was obtained as a yellow oil, 325.8 mg, yield = 15%.

$^1\text{H NMR}$  (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 8.56 ( $J$  = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.97 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.98 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.90-7.83 (dd,  $J$  = 7.5, 1.0 Hz, 2H), 7.62-7.47 (m, 3H), 3.08 (q,  $J$  = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 1.29 (t,  $J$  = 7.0 Hz, 3H). The data was the same to previous literature.<sup>5</sup>

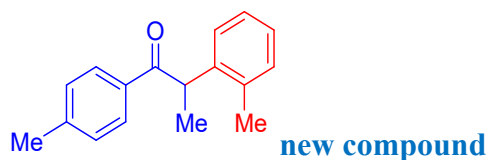
## 6. Data for arylation products



**3a:** Pale yellow oil, 203.1 mg, yield: 91%.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 7.86 (d,  $J$  = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.28-7.29 (d,  $J$  = 4.4 Hz, 4H), 7.22-7.16 (m, 3H), 4.67 (q,  $J$  = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 2.35 (s, 3H), 1.53 (d,  $J$  = 6.9 Hz, 3H).

Data is consistent with that reported in the literature.<sup>6</sup>



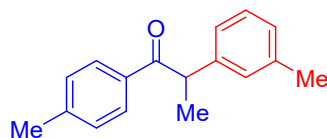
**3b:** Pale yellow solid, 206.0 mg, yield: 86%.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 7.74 (d,  $J$  = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.20 (d,  $J$  = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 7.15 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.12-7.06 (m, 2H), 7.04-7.02 (d,  $J$  = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 4.74 (q,  $J$  = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 2.49 (s, 3H), 2.34 (s, 3H), 1.47 (d,  $J$  = 6.8 Hz, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (150 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 200.6, 143.4, 140.4, 134.5, 134.1, 130.9, 129.2, 128.6, 127.0, 126.8, 126.7, 44.5, 21.5, 19.6, 18.0.

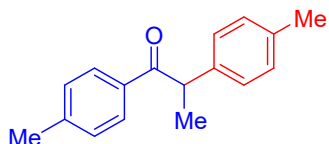
HR-MS (ESI,  $m/z$ ): calcd for  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}$  [ $\text{M}+\text{H}$ ] $^+$ : 239.1430. found: 239.1426.

m.p.: 63.4-66.7 °C.



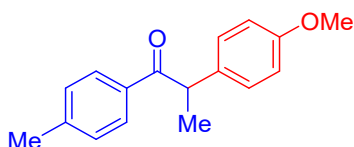
**3c:** Pale yellow oil, 215.8 mg, yield: 91%.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 7.86 (d,  $J$  = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.20-7.15 (m, 3H), 7.08 (d,  $J$  = 1.8 Hz, 2H), 6.98 (d,  $J$  = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 4.62 (q,  $J$  = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 2.35 (s, 3H), 2.30 (s, 3H), 1.50 (d,  $J$  = 6.8 Hz, 3H). Data is consistent with that reported in the literature.<sup>7</sup>



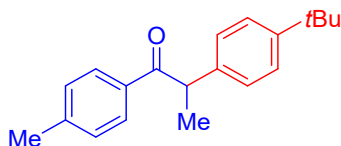
**3d:** Pale yellow oil, 219.0 mg, yield: 92%.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 7.86 (d,  $J$  = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.17 (d,  $J$  = 8.1 Hz, 4H), 7.08 (d,  $J$  = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 4.63 (q,  $J$  = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 2.35 (s, 3H), 2.28 (s, 3H), 1.50 (d,  $J$  = 6.8 Hz, 3H). Data is consistent with that reported in the literature.<sup>7</sup>



**3e:** Pale yellow oil, 239.6 mg, yield: 94%.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 7.85 (d,  $J$  = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.21-7.16 (m, 4H), 6.83-6.81 (dt,  $J$  = 8.2, 2.6 Hz, 2H), 4.62 (q,  $J$  = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 2.35 (s, 3H), 1.49 (d,  $J$  = 6.8 Hz, 3H). Data is consistent with that reported in the literature.<sup>8</sup>



**new compound**

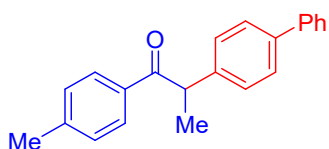
**3f:** Pale yellow solid, 253.8 mg, yield: 91%.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 7.88 (d,  $J$  = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.29 (td,  $J$  = 8.4, 2.0 Hz, 2H), 7.22-7.18 (m, 4H), 4.66 (q,  $J$  = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 2.35 (s, 3H), 1.51 (d,  $J$  = 6.6 Hz, 3H), 1.27 (s, 9H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (150 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 200.2, 149.6, 143.5, 138.5, 134.1, 129.2, 129.0, 127.4, 125.8, 47.1, 34.4, 31.3, 21.6, 19.5.

HR-MS (ESI,  $m/z$ ): calcd for  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{24}\text{O}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 281.1900. found: 281.1894.

m.p.: 73.8-75.9 °C.



**new compound**

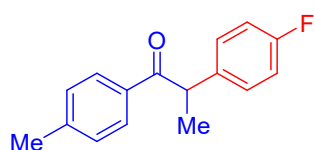
**3g:** White solid, 270.4 mg, yield: 90%.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 7.90 (dt,  $J$  = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.55-7.51 (dd,  $J$  = 7.4, 8.2 Hz, 4H), 7.41 (t,  $J$  = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.35 (d,  $J$  = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.33-7.30 (t,  $J$  = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 4.72 (q,  $J$  = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 1.56 (d,  $J$  = 6.8 Hz, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (150 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 200.0, 143.7, 140.8, 140.7, 139.8, 134.0, 129.3, 129.0, 128.8, 128.2, 127.7, 127.3, 127.0, 47.4, 21.6, 19.5.

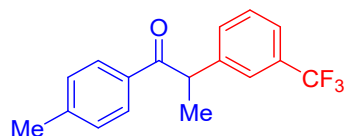
HR-MS (ESI,  $m/z$ ): calcd for  $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 301.1587. found: 301.1583.

m.p.: 140.8-143.2  $^\circ\text{C}$ .



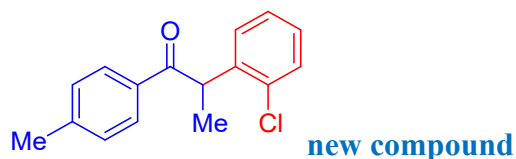
**3h:** Pale yellow oil, 234.0 mg, yield: 96%.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 7.84 (d,  $J$  = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.25-7.23 (m, 2H), 7.19 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.99-6.95 (tt,  $J$  = 8.7, 1.83 Hz, 2H), 4.66 (q,  $J$  = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 1.50 (d,  $J$  = 6.8 Hz, 3H). Data is consistent with that reported in the literature.<sup>8</sup>



**3i:** Pale yellow oil, 160.8 mg, yield: 55%.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 7.85 (d,  $J$  = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.56 (s, 1H), 7.47 (t,  $J$  = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.40 (t,  $J$  = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.21 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 4.75 (q,  $J$  = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 2.37 (s, 3H), 1.55 (d,  $J$  = 6.9 Hz, 3H). Data is consistent with that reported in the literature.<sup>8</sup>



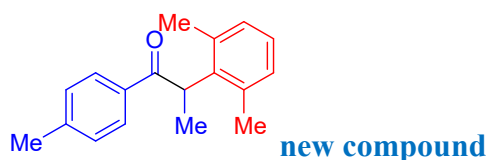
**3j:** Pale yellow oil, 113.5 mg, yield: 44%.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 7.83 (d,  $J$  = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.41-7.39 (m, 1H), 7.18 (d,

$J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H), 7.15-7.13 (m, 3H), 5.12 (q,  $J = 6.8$  Hz, 1H), 2.35 (s, 3H), 1.48 (d,  $J = 6.8$  Hz, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (150 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta = 199.7, 143.8, 139.5, 133.6, 132.9, 129.8, 129.3, 128.7, 128.6, 128.2, 127.5, 44.1, 21.6, 17.8$ .

HR-MS (ESI,  $m/z$ ): calcd for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{15}\text{ONaCl}$   $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ : 287.0704. found: 287.0711.



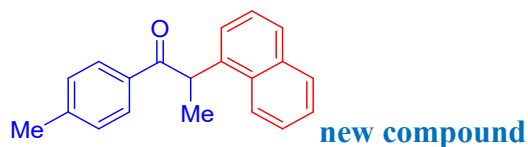
**3k**: Pale yellow solid, 194.6 mg, yield: 77%.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta = 7.60$  (d,  $J = 8.2$  Hz, 2H), 7.07 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H), 7.02-6.95 (m, 3H), 4.50 (q,  $J = 6.8$  Hz, 1H), 2.30 (s, 9H), 1.50 (d,  $J = 6.8$  Hz, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (150 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta = 201.9, 143.2, 140.1, 135.6, 134.3, 129.5, 129.0, 128.3, 126.6, 46.1, 21.5, 20.6, 14.9$ .

HR-MS (ESI,  $m/z$ ): calcd for  $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 253.1587. found: 253.1584.

m.p.: 74.8-78.9 °C.



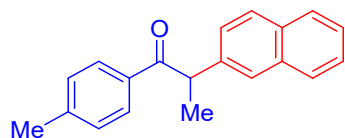
**3l**: Pale yellow solid, 247.3 mg, yield: 90%.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta = 8.25$  (d,  $J = 8.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.90 (d,  $J = 8.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.77 (d,  $J = 8.2$  Hz, 2H), 7.72 (d,  $J = 8.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.64-7.61 (m, 1H), 7.55-7.52 (m, 1H), 7.33 (t,  $J = 7.9$  Hz, 1H), 7.21 (dd,  $J = 6.6$  Hz, 0.6 Hz, 1H), 7.07 (t,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 2H), 5.36 (q,  $J = 6.8$  Hz, 1H), 2.29 (s, 3H), 1.63 (d,  $J = 6.8$  Hz, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (150 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta = 200.4, 143.5, 138.3, 134.4, 133.9, 130.7, 129.3, 129.2, 128.7, 127.5, 126.7, 125.9, 125.8, 125.0, 122.6, 43.6, 21.5, 18.6$ .

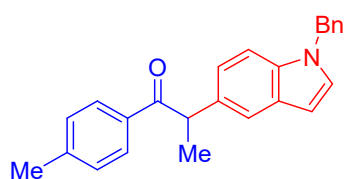
HR-MS (ESI,  $m/z$ ): calcd for  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 275.1430. found: 275.1427.

m.p.: 116.8-120.8 °C.



**3m**: Pale yellow oil, 257.7 mg, yield: 94%.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 7.90 (d,  $J$  = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.78 (t,  $J$  = 8.2 Hz, 3H), 7.72 (t,  $J$  = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.46-7.40 (m, 3H), 7.16 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 4.83 (q,  $J$  = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 2.33 (s, 3H), 1.61 (d,  $J$  = 6.8 Hz, 3H). Data is consistent with that reported in the literature.<sup>8</sup>



**new compound**

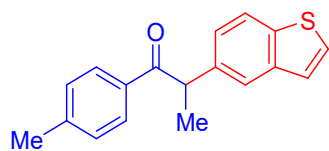
**3n**: Pale yellow solid, 287.6 mg, yield: 81%.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 7.82 (d,  $J$  = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.56 (d,  $J$  = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.28-7.26 (m, 3H), 7.16 (s, 1H), 7.10 (d,  $J$  = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.08-7.05 (m, 4H), 6.47 (d,  $J$  = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 5.26 (d,  $J$  = 3.4 Hz, 2H), 4.71 (q,  $J$  = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 2.32 (s, 3H), 1.54 (d,  $J$  = 6.8 Hz, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (150 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 200.0, 143.6, 140.2, 138.3, 138.0, 127.0, 124.4, 123.8, 123.0, 122.6, 47.6, 29.8, 21.6, 19.9.

HR-MS (ESI,  $m/z$ ): calcd for  $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{23}\text{NO}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 354.1852. found: 354.1845.

m.p.: 97.2-99.3 °C.



**new compound**

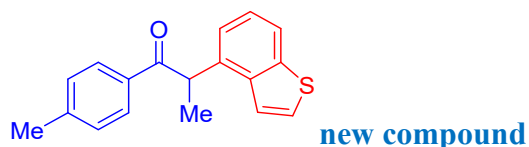
**3o**: Pale yellow solid, 266.9 mg, yield: 95%.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 7.88 (d,  $J$  = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.80 (d,  $J$  = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.72 (d,  $J$  = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.41-7.40 (d,  $J$  = 5.4 Hz, 1H), 7.30-7.28 (dd,  $J$  = 1.6, 6.7 Hz, 1H), 7.27 (s, 1H), 7.16 (d,  $J$  = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 4.79 (d,  $J$  = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 2.33 (s, 3H), 1.58 (d,  $J$  = 6.8 Hz, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (150 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta = 200.0, 143.6, 140.7, 137.7, 136.8, 133.9, 129.2, 128.8, 127.0, 124.8, 123.0, 121.3, 121.2, 46.0, 21.6, 18.5$ .

HR-MS (ESI,  $m/z$ ): calcd for  $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{16}\text{SO}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 281.0995. found: 281.0985.

m.p.: 71.4-74.8  $^\circ\text{C}$ .



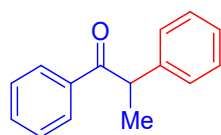
**3p**: Pale yellow solid, 257.8.9 mg, yield: 92%.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta = 7.80$  (d,  $J = 8.3$  Hz, 2H), 7.74 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.60 (d,  $J = 5.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.53 (d,  $J = 5.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.25-7.22 (t,  $J = 7.7$  Hz, 1H), 7.15 (d,  $J = 7.3$  Hz, 1H), 7.11 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H), 5.10 (d,  $J = 6.8$  Hz, 1H), 2.30 (s, 3H), 1.62 (d,  $J = 6.8$  Hz, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (150 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta = 200.4, 143.5, 138.3, 134.4, 133.8, 130.6, 129.3, 129.2, 128.7, 127.5, 126.7, 125.9, 125.8, 125.0, 122.6, 43.6, 21.6, 18.6$ .

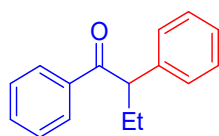
HR-MS (ESI,  $m/z$ ): calcd for  $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{16}\text{SO}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 281.0995. found: 281.0984.

m.p.: 84.0-86.4  $^\circ\text{C}$ .



**3q**: Pale yellow oil, 196.6 mg, yield: 93%.

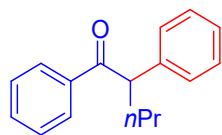
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta = 7.95$  (d,  $J = 7.3$  Hz, 2H), 7.47 (t,  $J = 6.8$  Hz, 1H), 7.38 (t,  $J = 7.4$  Hz, 2H), 7.30-7.25 (m, 4H), 7.20 (m, 1H), 4.69 (q,  $J = 6.7$  Hz, 1H), 1.53 (d,  $J = 6.8$  Hz, 3H). Data is consistent with that reported in the literature.<sup>6</sup>



**3r**: Pale yellow oil, 215.6 mg, yield: 96%.

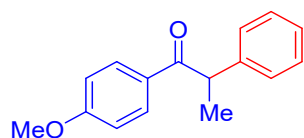
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2H), 7.32-7.27 (m, 4H), 7.22-7.19 (m, 1H), 4.45 (t,  $J = 7.3$  Hz, 1H), 2.24-2.17 (m, 1H), 1.90-1.83 (m, 1H), 0.91 (t,  $J = 7.4$  Hz, 3H). Data is consistent with that reported in the literature.<sup>6</sup>



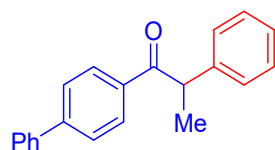
**3s:** Pale yellow oil, 217.0mg, yield: 91%.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 7.97$ -7.95 (m, 2H), 7.49-7.46 (m, 1H), 7.40-7.38 (t,  $J = 7.7$  Hz, 2H), 7.32-7.27 (m, 4H), 7.21-7.18 (m, 1H), 4.56 (t,  $J = 7.3$  Hz, 1H), 2.19-2.13 (m, 1H), 1.85-1.79 (m, 1H), 1.38-1.25 (m, 2H), 0.92 (t,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 3H). Data is consistent with that reported in the literature.<sup>9</sup>



**3t:** Pale yellow oil, 237.0 mg, yield: 96%.

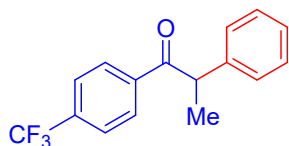
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**3u:** Pale yellow oil, 218.7 mg, yield: 76%.

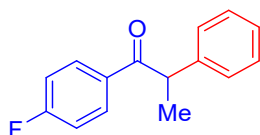
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 8.02$  (d,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 2H), 7.60 (dd,  $J = 11.7, 8.0$  Hz, 4H), 7.44 (d,  $J = 7.3$  Hz, 2H), 7.38 (d,  $J = 6.9$  Hz, 1H), 7.32-7.31 (m, 4H), 7.24-7.20 (m, 1H), 4.72 (q,  $J = 6.8$  Hz, 1H), 1.56 (d,  $J = 6.9$  Hz, 3H). Data is consistent with that reported in the literature.<sup>6</sup>





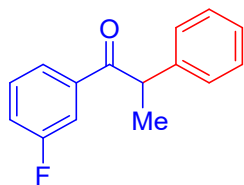
**3v:** Pale yellow oil, 225.2 mg, yield: 80%.

$^1\text{H NMR}$  (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 8.02 (d,  $J$  = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.63 (d,  $J$  = 7.2, 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.32-7.29 (m, 2H), 7.26-7.24 (m, 2H), 7.23-7.20 (m, 1H), 4.65 (q,  $J$  = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 1.55 (d,  $J$  = 6.9 Hz, 3H). Data is consistent with that reported in the literature.<sup>8</sup>



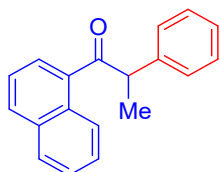
**3w:** Pale yellow oil, 190.4 mg, yield: 83%.

$^1\text{H NMR}$  (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 7.98-7.95 (m, 2H), 7.32-7.26 (m, 4H), 7.22-7.20 (m, 1H), 7.06-7.02 (m, 2H), 4.62 (q,  $J$  = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 1.52 (d,  $J$  = 6.9 Hz, 3H). Data is consistent with that reported in the literature.<sup>10</sup>



**3w:** Pale yellow oil, 164.7 mg, yield: 72%.

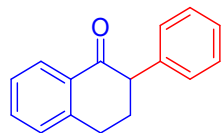
$^1\text{H NMR}$  (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 7.71 (d,  $J$  = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (dt,  $J$  = 9.6, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 7.37-7.26 (m, 5H), 7.24-7.14 (m, 2H), 4.62 (q,  $J$  = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 1.53 (d,  $J$  = 6.8 Hz, 3H). Data is consistent with that reported in the literature.<sup>7</sup>



**3y:** Pale yellow oil, 85.0 mg, yield: 32%.

$^1\text{H NMR}$  (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 7.90 (d,  $J$  = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.82 (d,  $J$  = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.75 (d,  $J$  = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (d,  $J$  = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.54-7.48 (m, 2H), 7.43-7.40 (m,

1H), 7.31-7.29 (m, 2H), 7.27-7.24 (m, 2H), 7.17 (t,  $J = 7.1$  Hz, 1H), 4.70 (q,  $J = 6.8$  Hz, 1H), 1.64 (d,  $J = 6.9$  Hz, 3H). Data is consistent with that reported in the literature.<sup>11</sup>



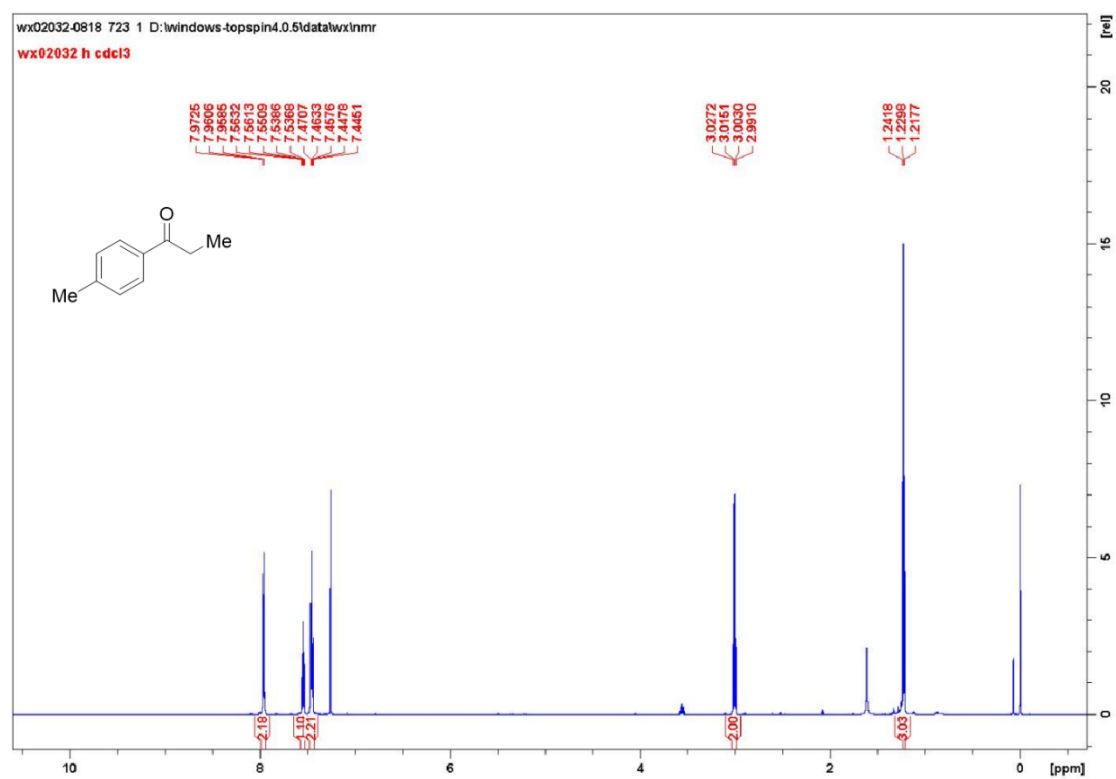
**3z:** Pale yellow oil, 39.3 mg, yield: 18%.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 8.10$  (dd,  $J = 0.9, 7.8$  Hz, 1H), 7.50 (td,  $J = 1.4, 7.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.36-7.33 (m, 3H), 7.30-7.27 (m, 2H), 7.21-7.19 (m, 2H), 3.81 (dd,  $J = 2.8, 6.5$  Hz, 1H), 3.15-3.04 (m, 2H), 2.46-2.42 (m, 2H). Data is consistent with that reported in the literature.<sup>12</sup>

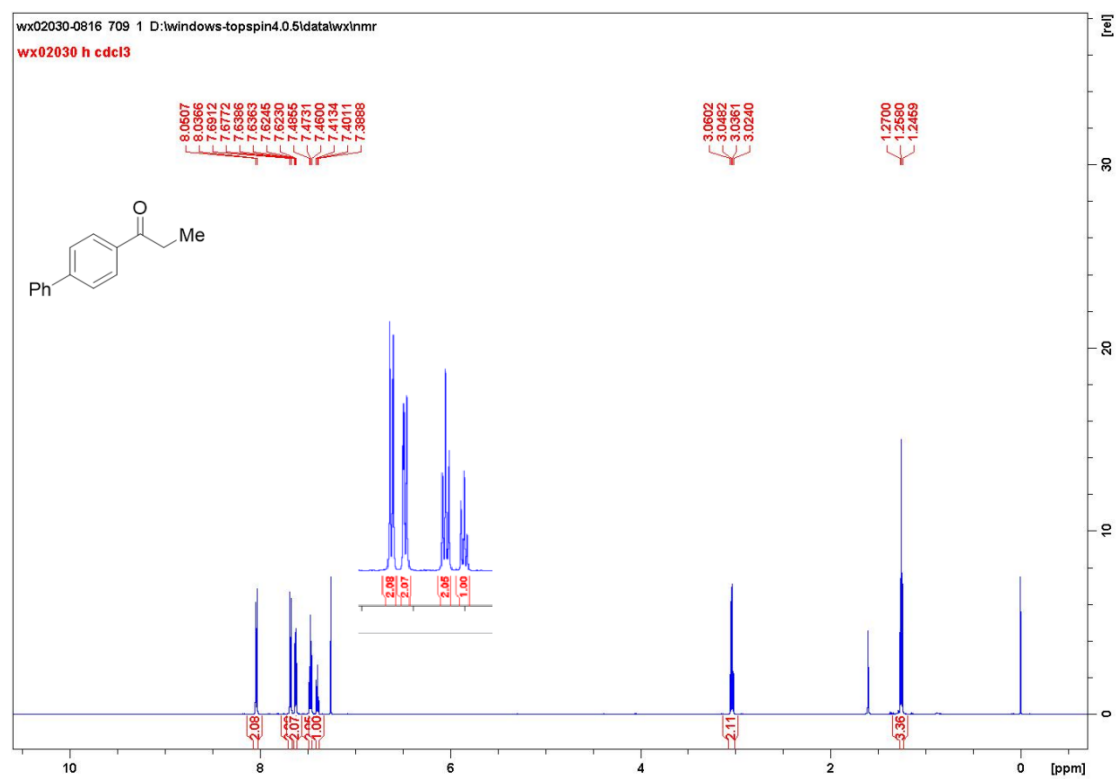
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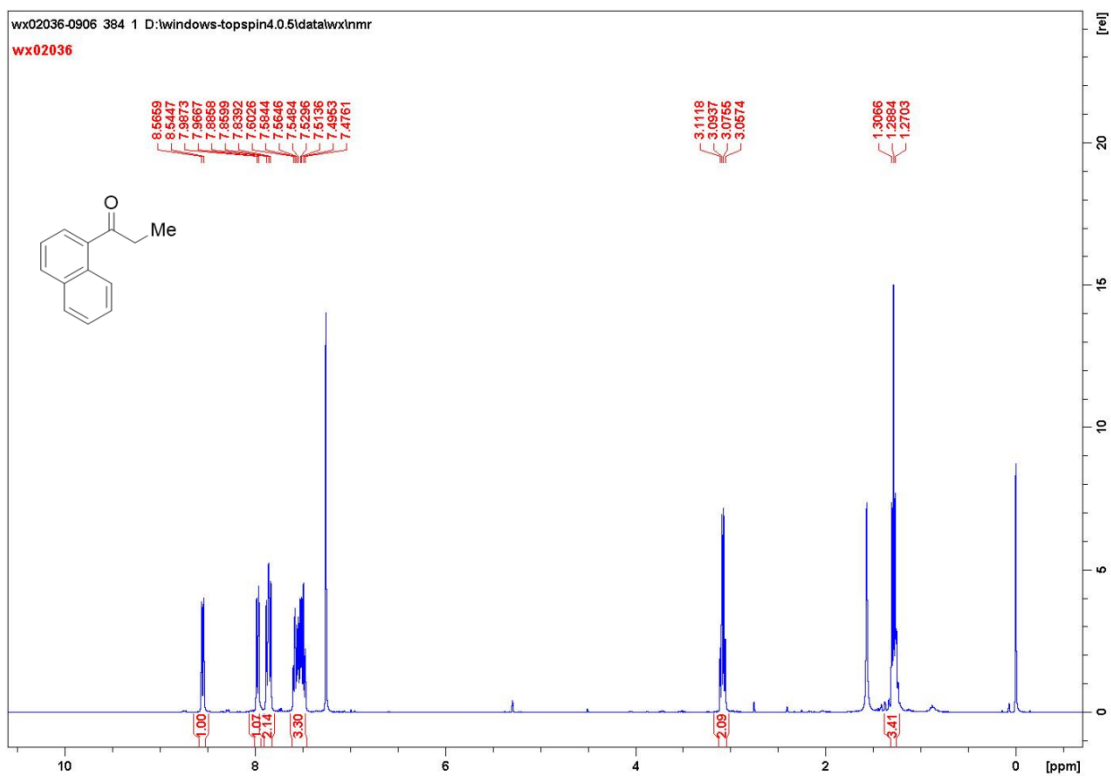
## 7. NMR and HR-MS (ESI) spectra



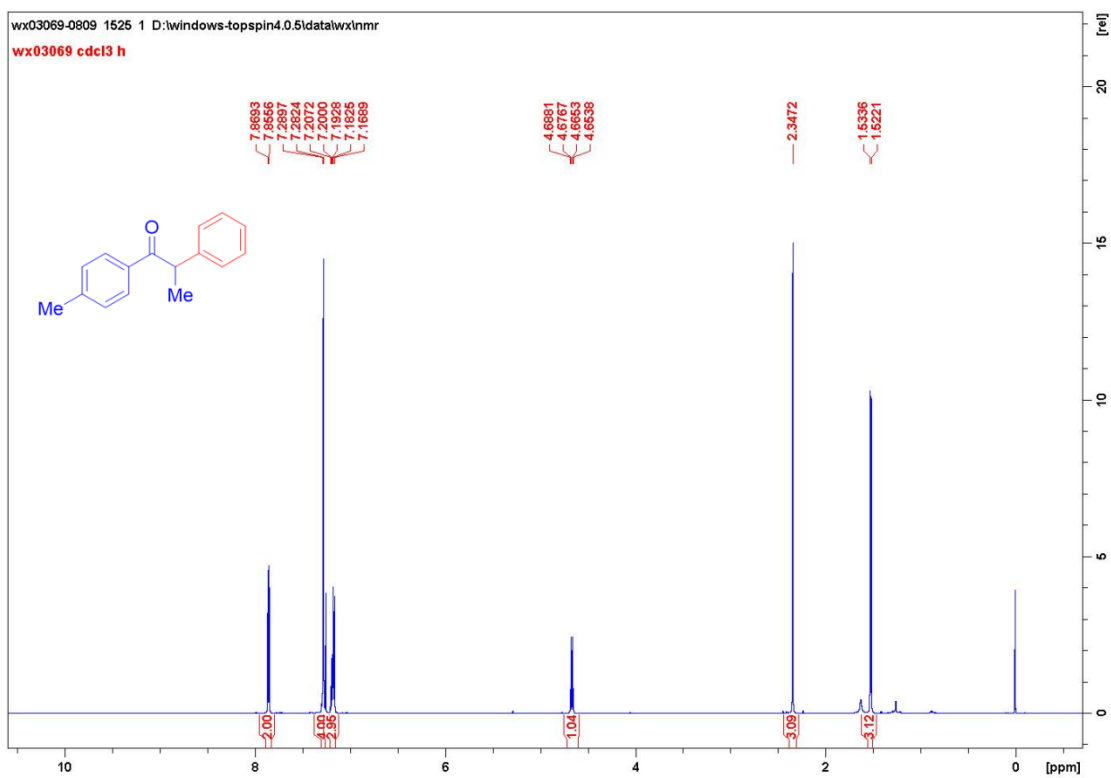
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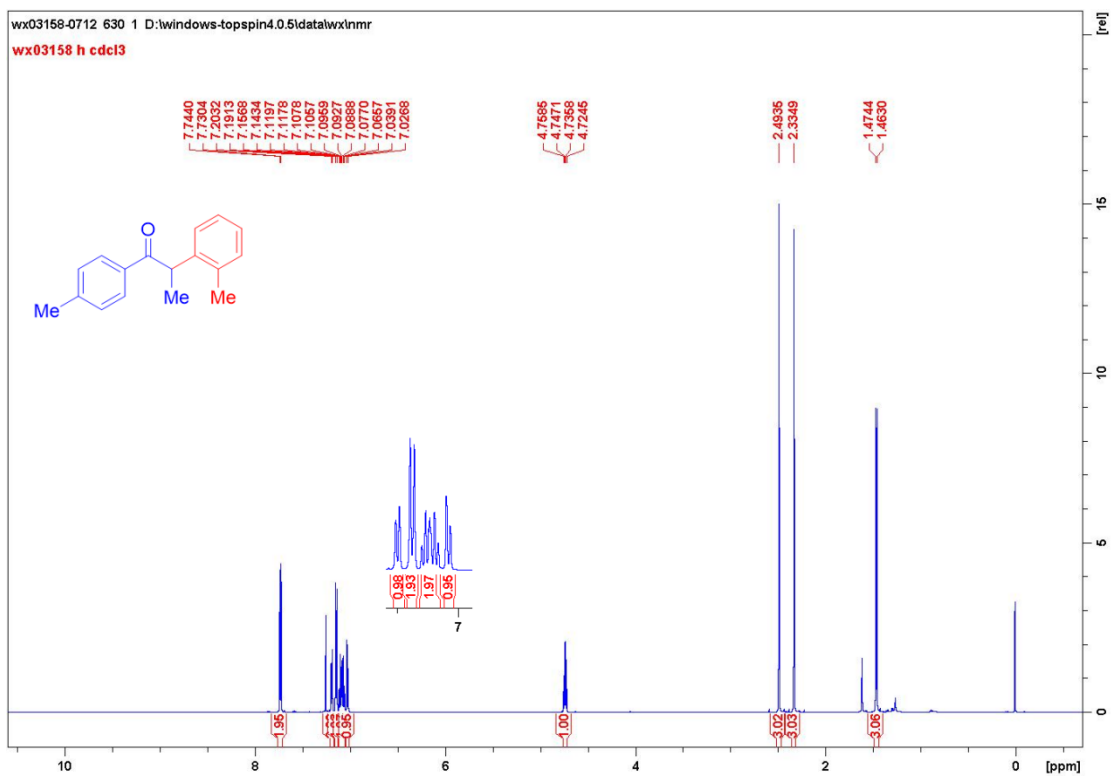
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) spectrum of **2u**.



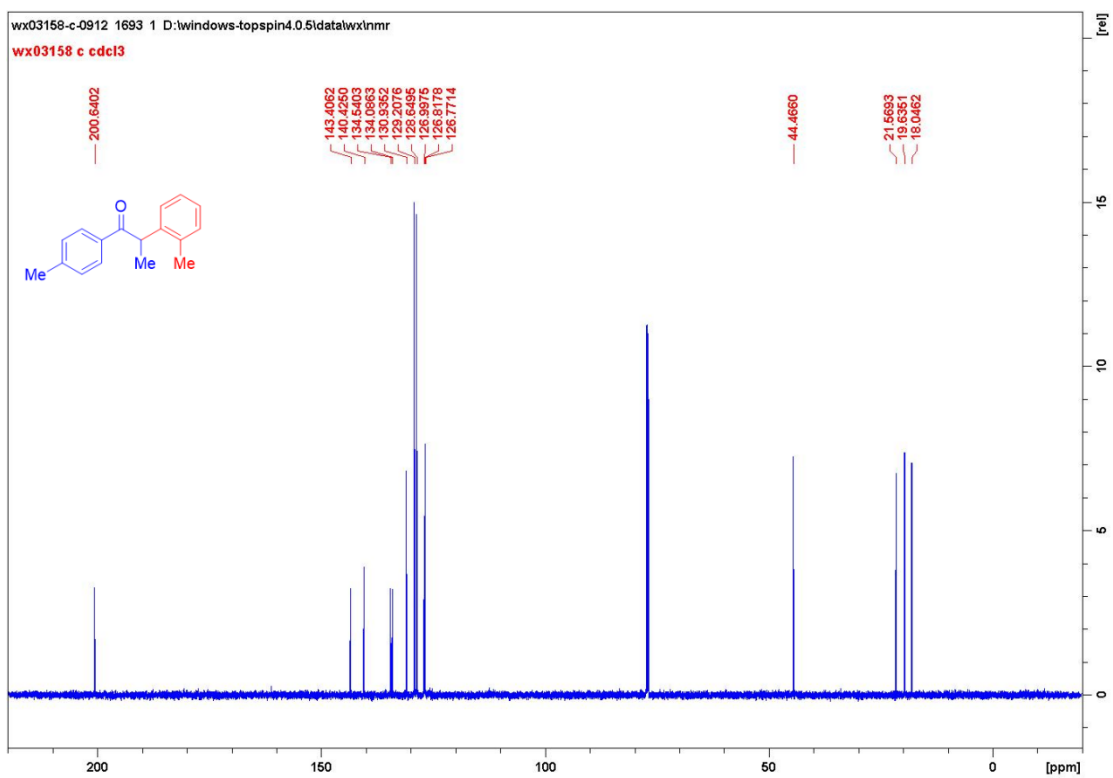
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$^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) spectrum of **3a**.

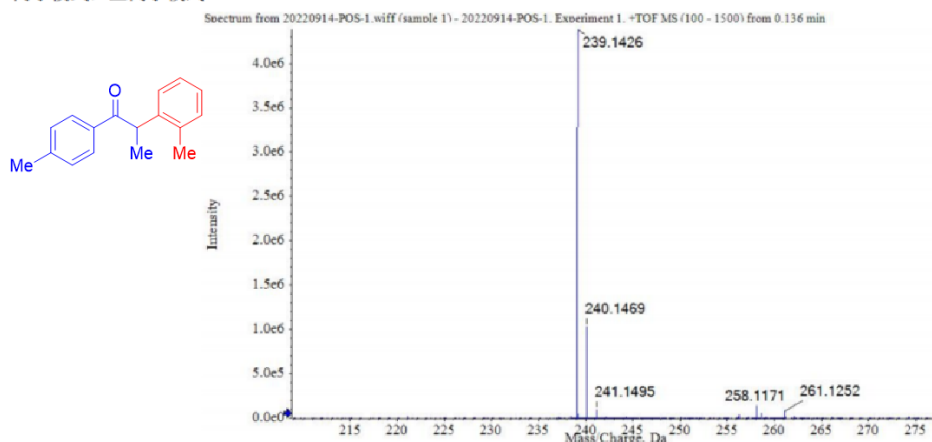


$^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) spectrum of **3b**.



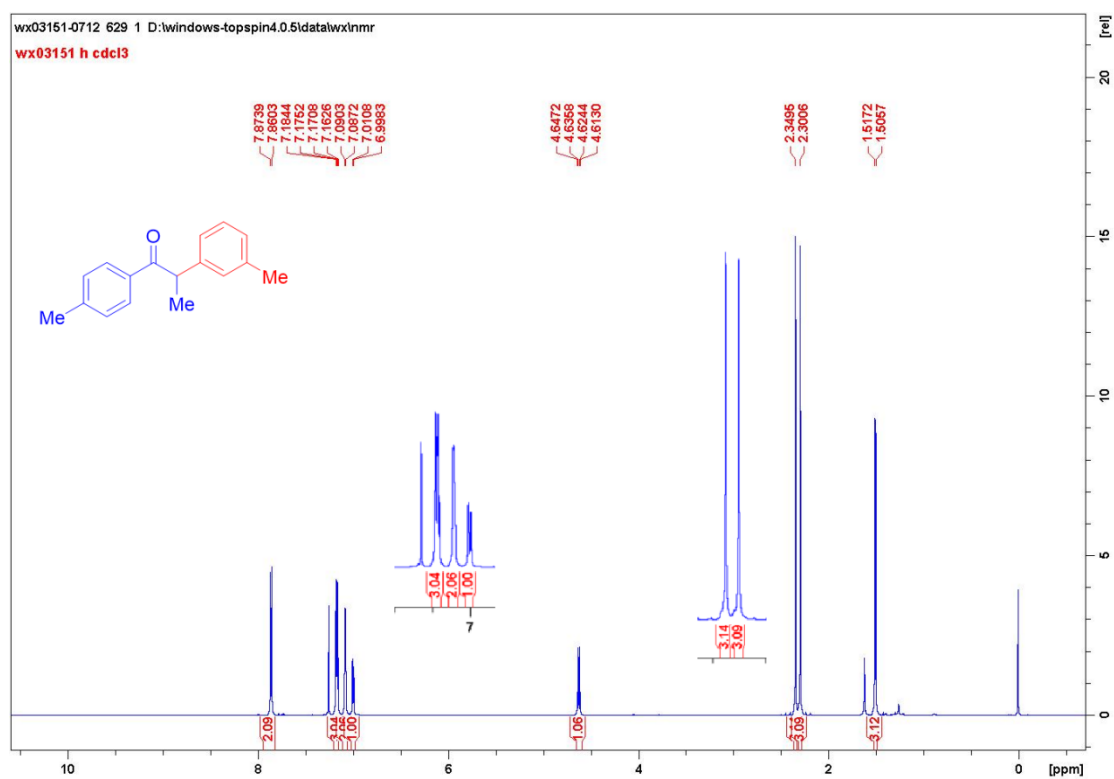
$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 150 MHz) spectrum of **3b**.

样品 1: C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>18</sub>O  
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 仪器: AB Sciex Triple TOF 5600+  
 离子模式: 正离子模式

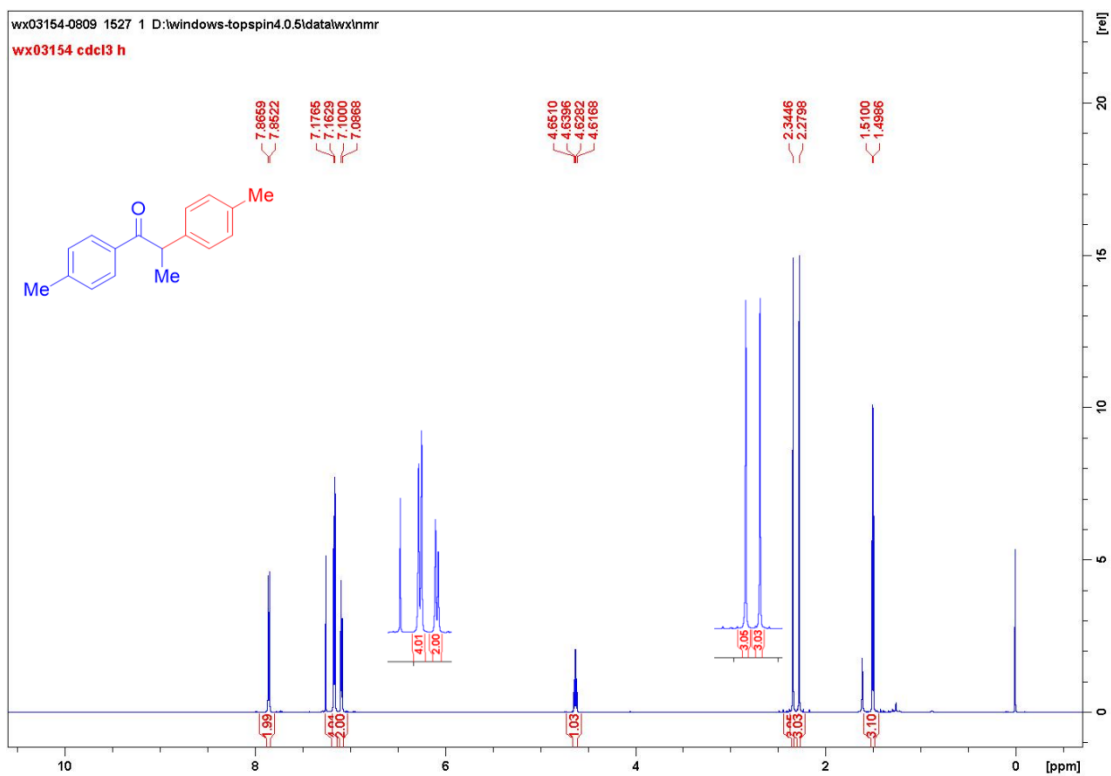


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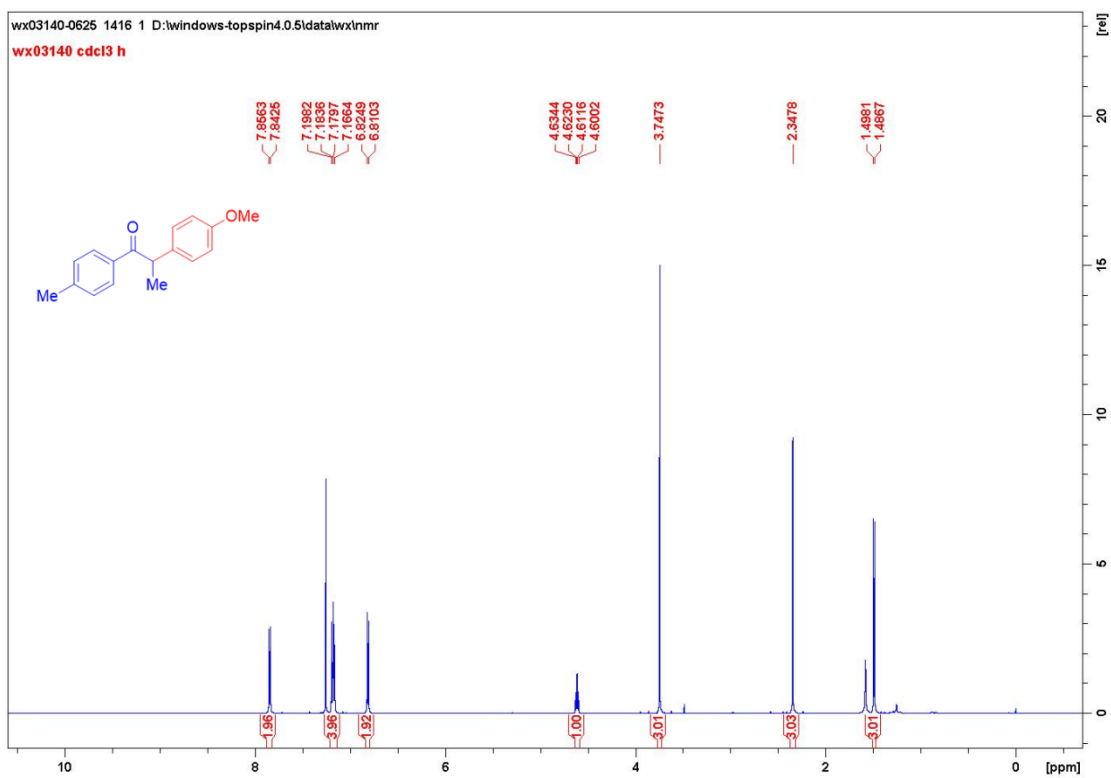
HR-MS (ESI) spectra of **3b**.



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) spectrum of **3c**.

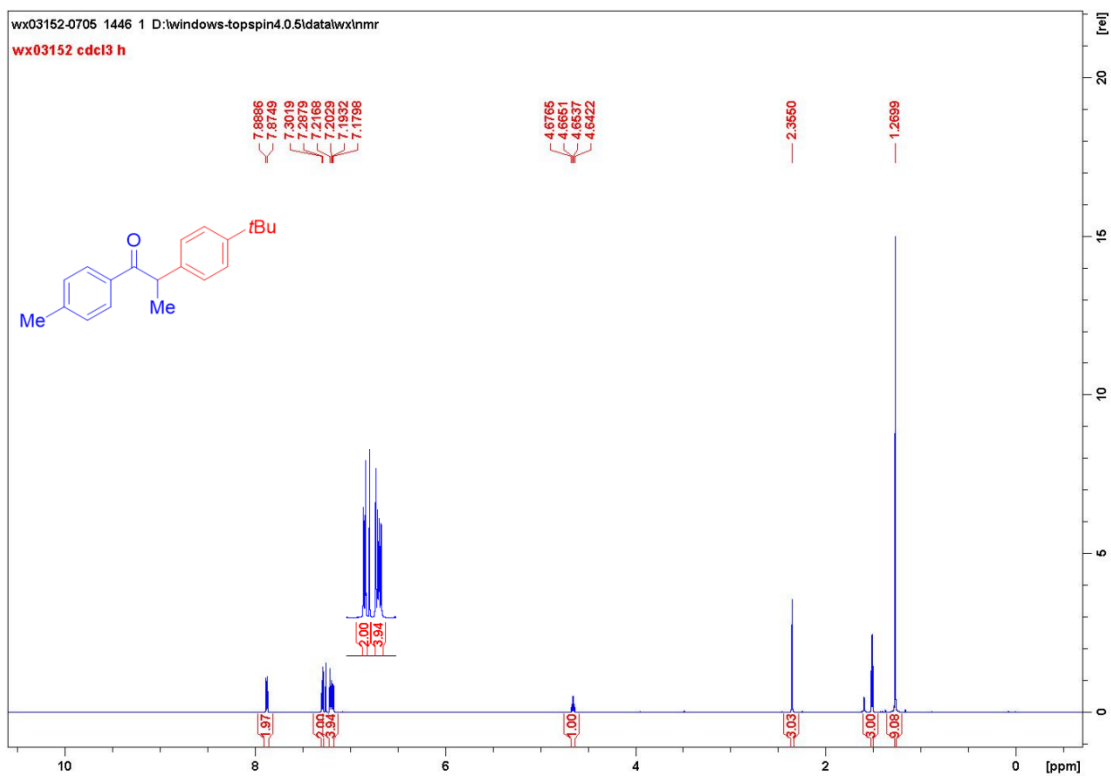


$^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) spectrum of **3d**.

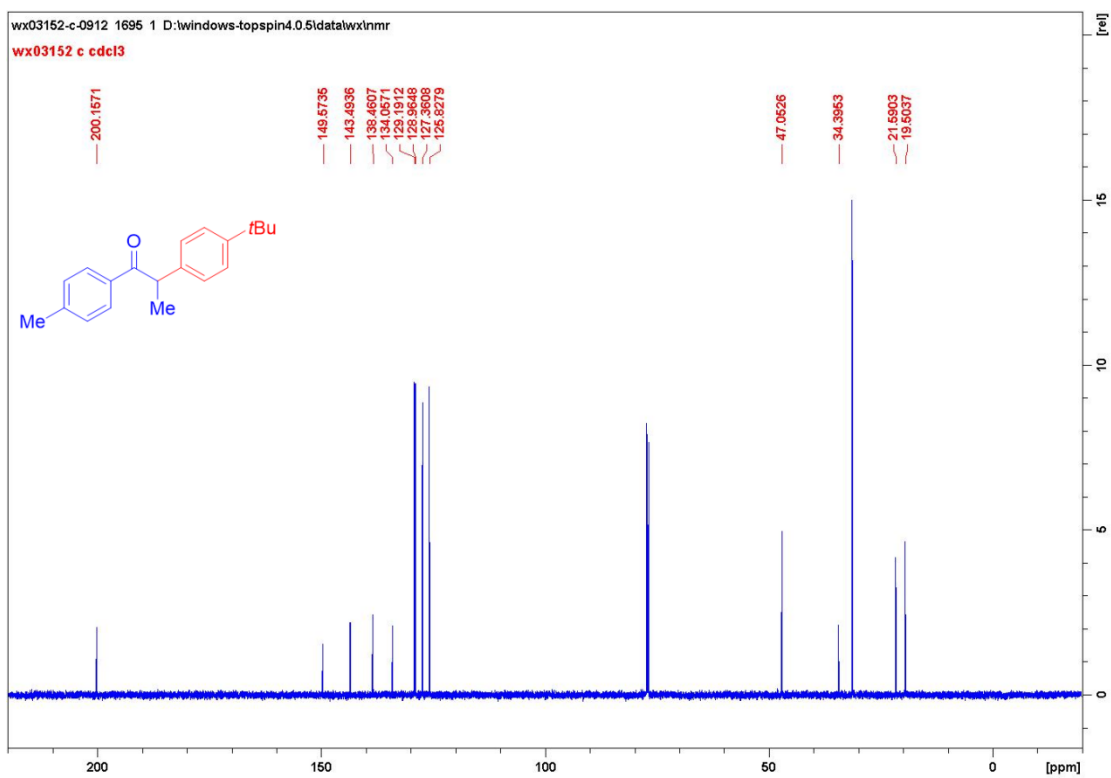


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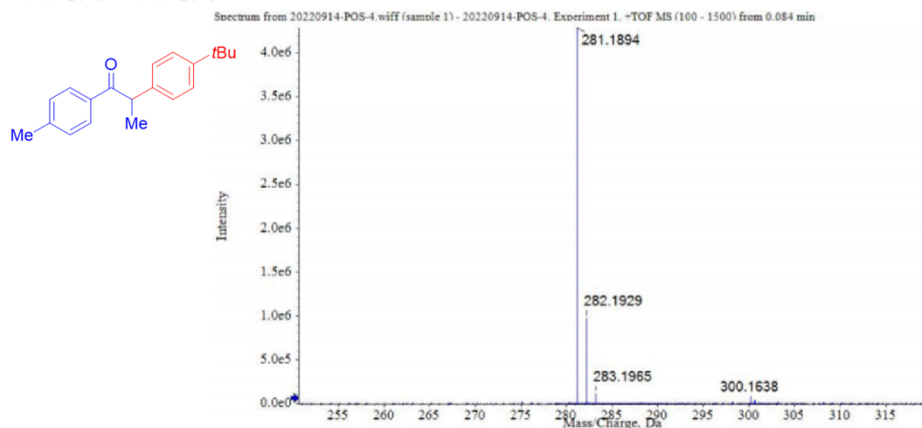


$^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) spectrum of **3f**.



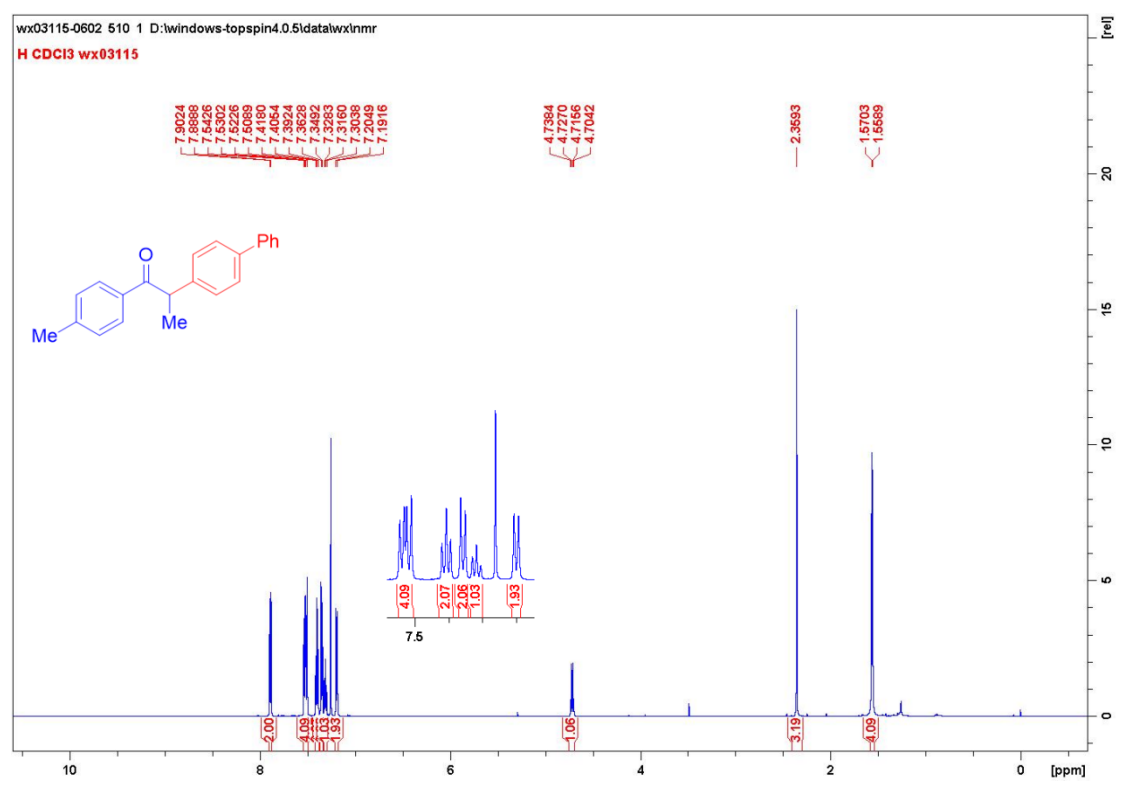
$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 150 MHz) spectrum of **3f**.

样品 4: C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>24</sub>O  
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 仪器: AB Sciex Triple TOF 5600+  
 离子模式: 正离子模式

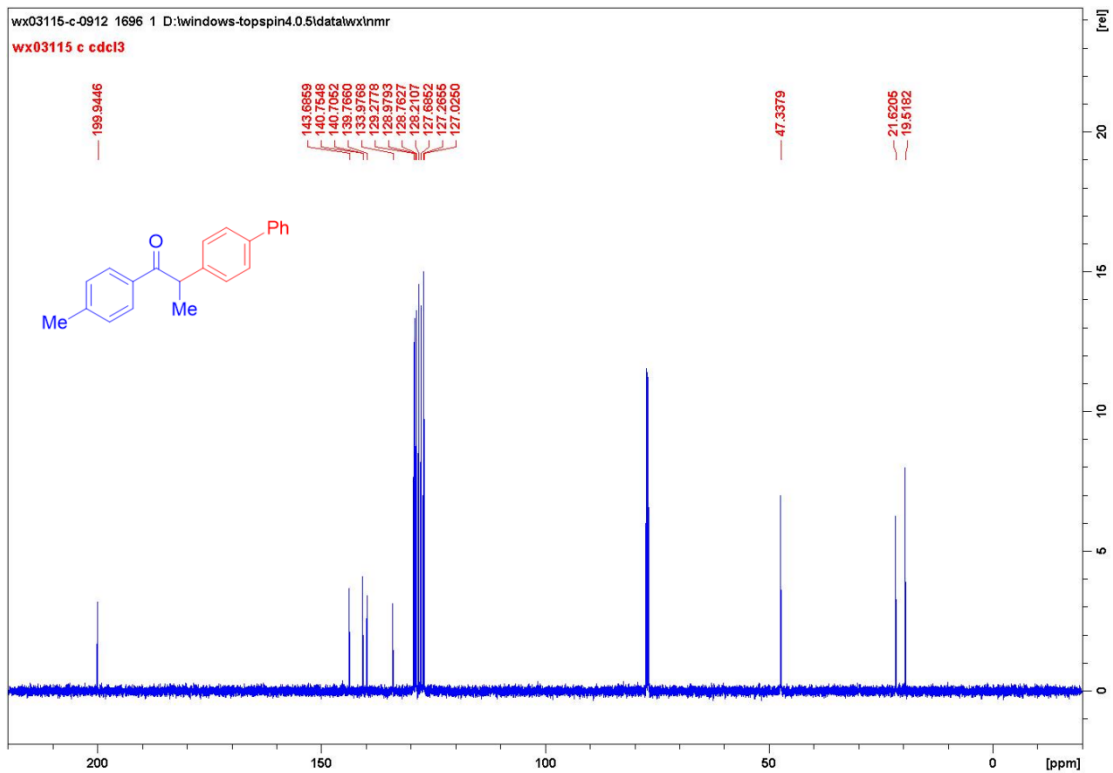


Name	Formula	Adduct	Extraction Mass	Found At Mass	Error (ppm)
4	C <sub>20</sub> H <sub>24</sub> O	+H	281.1900	281.1894	-2.4

HR-MS (ESI) spectra of **3f**.



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) spectrum of **3g**.



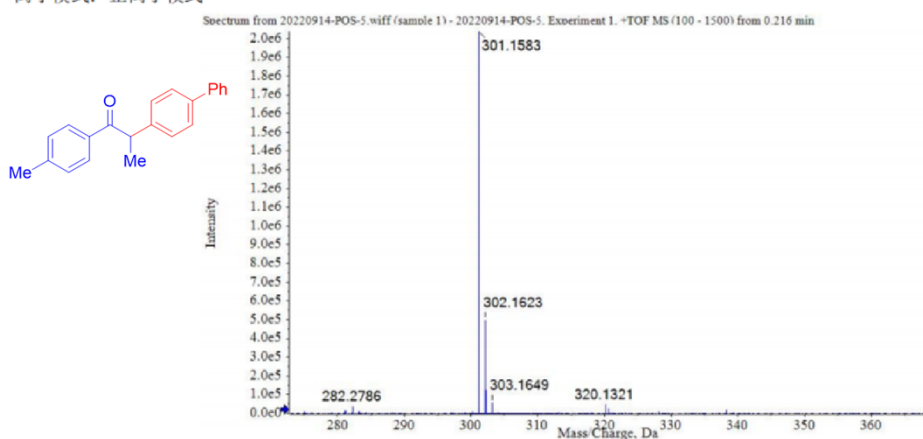
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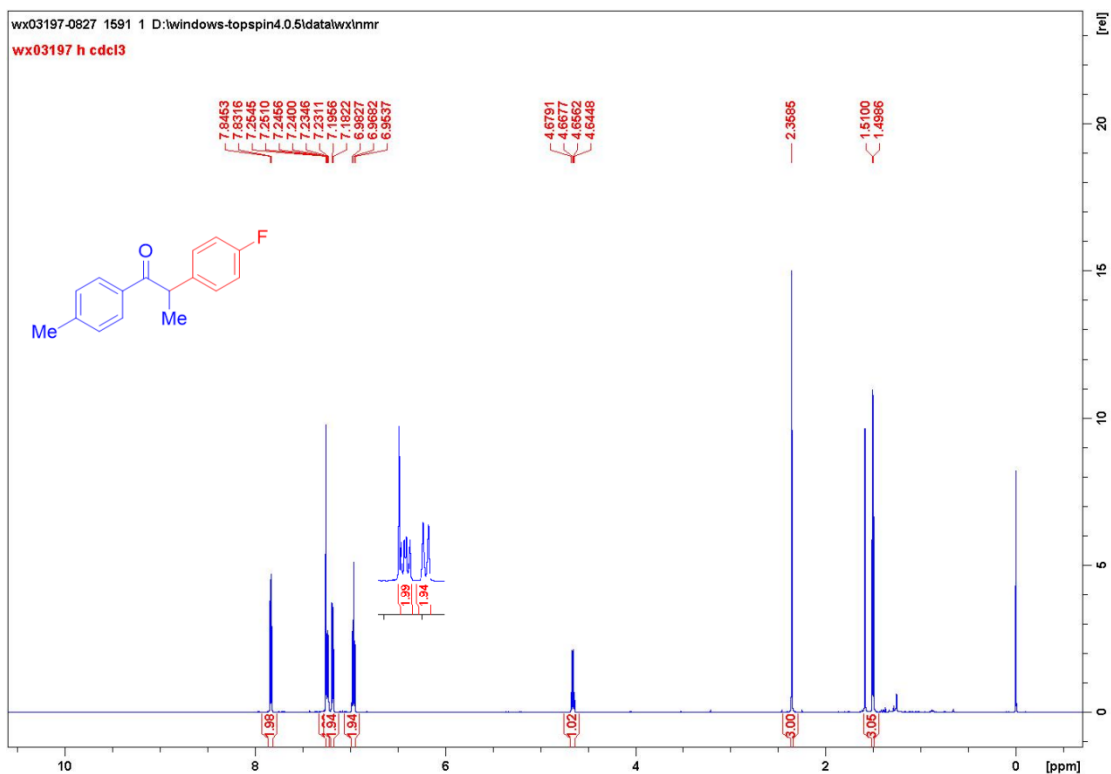
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仪器: AB Sciex Triple TOF 5600+

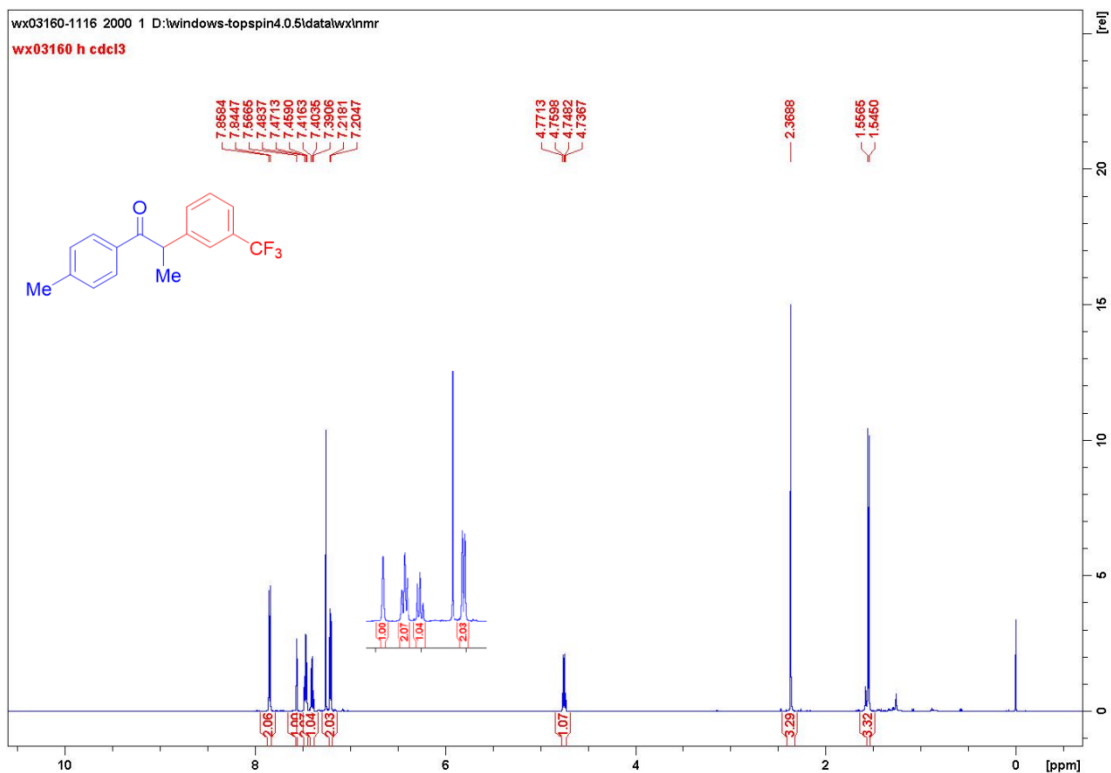
离子模式: 正离子模式



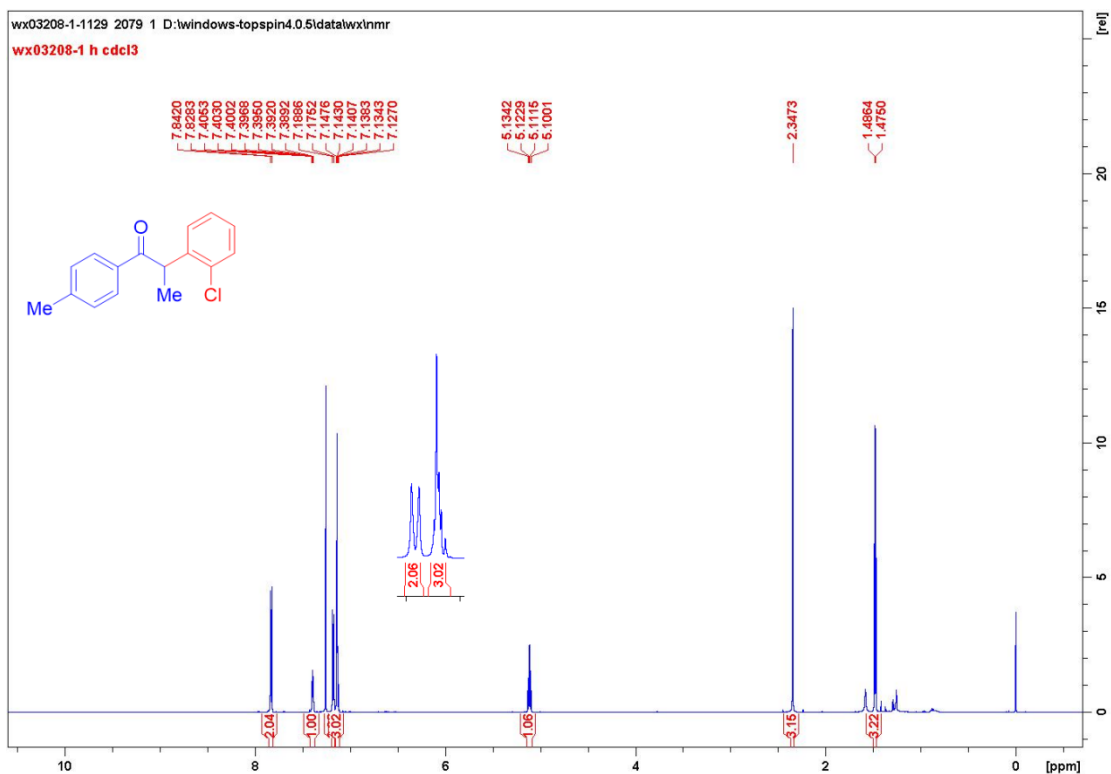
HR-MS (ESI) spectra of **3g**.



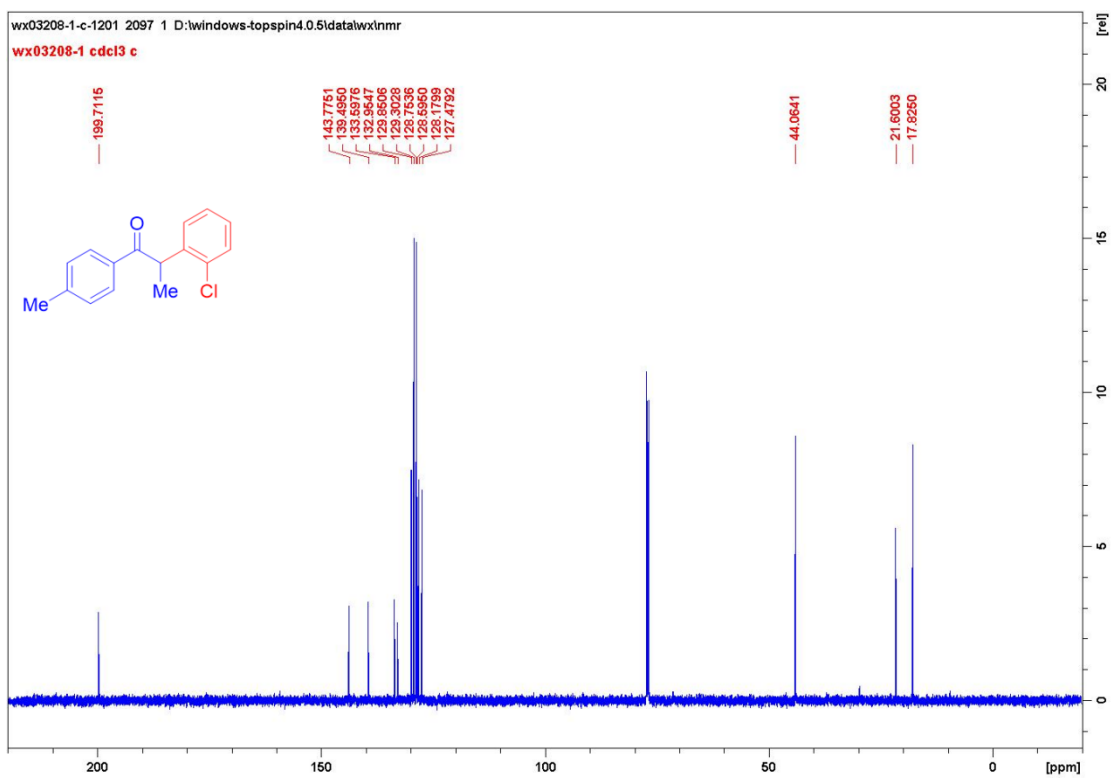
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$^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) spectrum of **3i**.

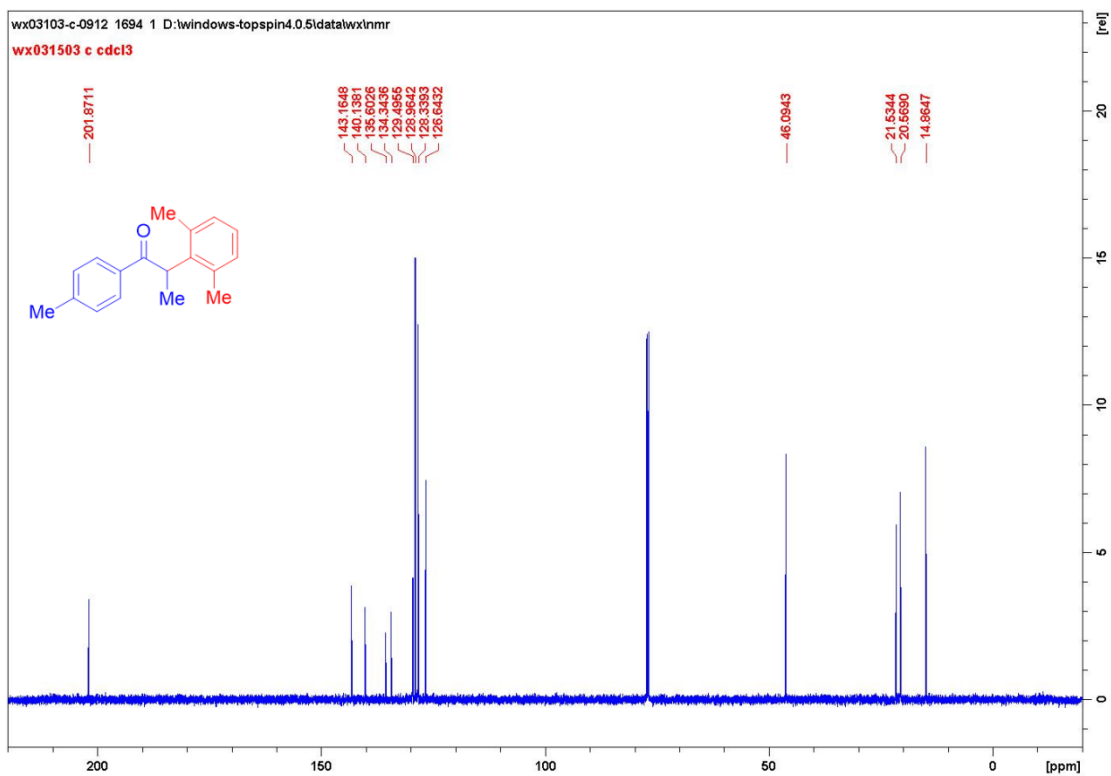


$^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) spectrum of **3j**.



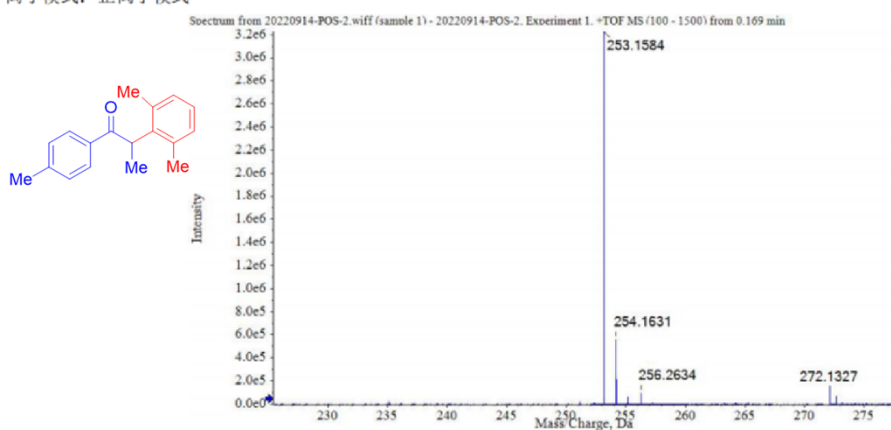
$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 150 MHz) spectrum of **3j**.





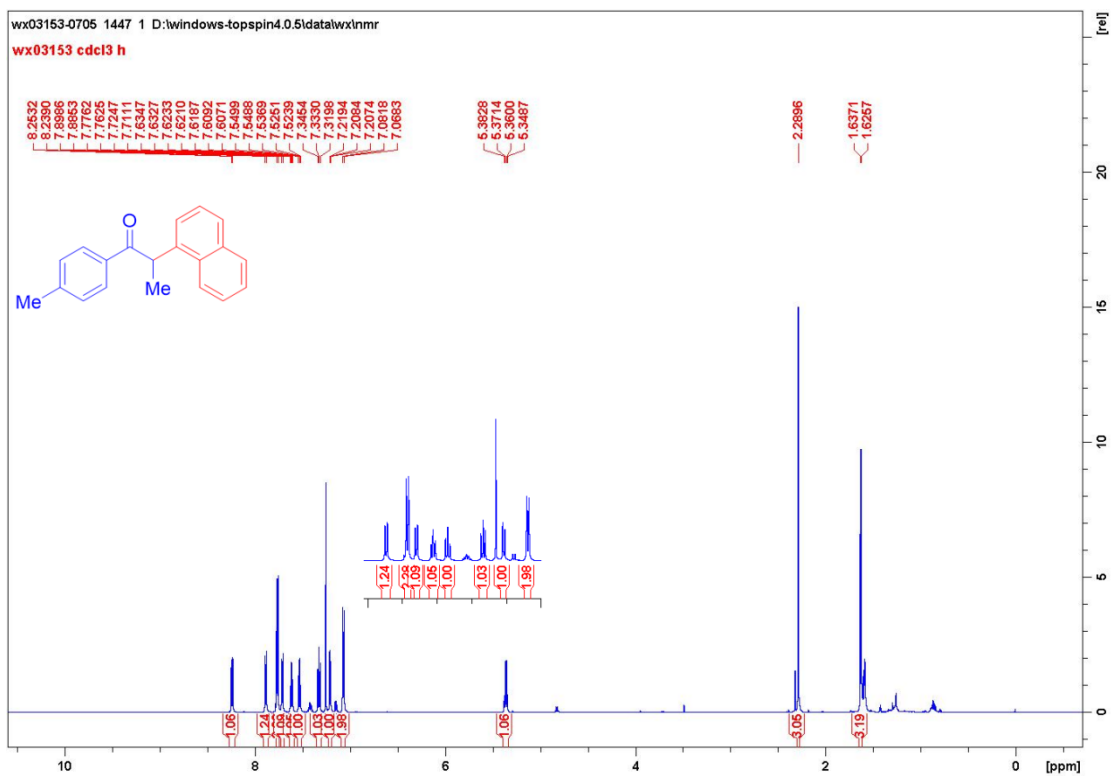
$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 150 MHz) spectrum of **3k**.

样品 2: C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>20</sub>O  
离子源: ESI Positive  
仪器: AB Sciex Triple TOF 5600+  
离子模式: 正离子模式

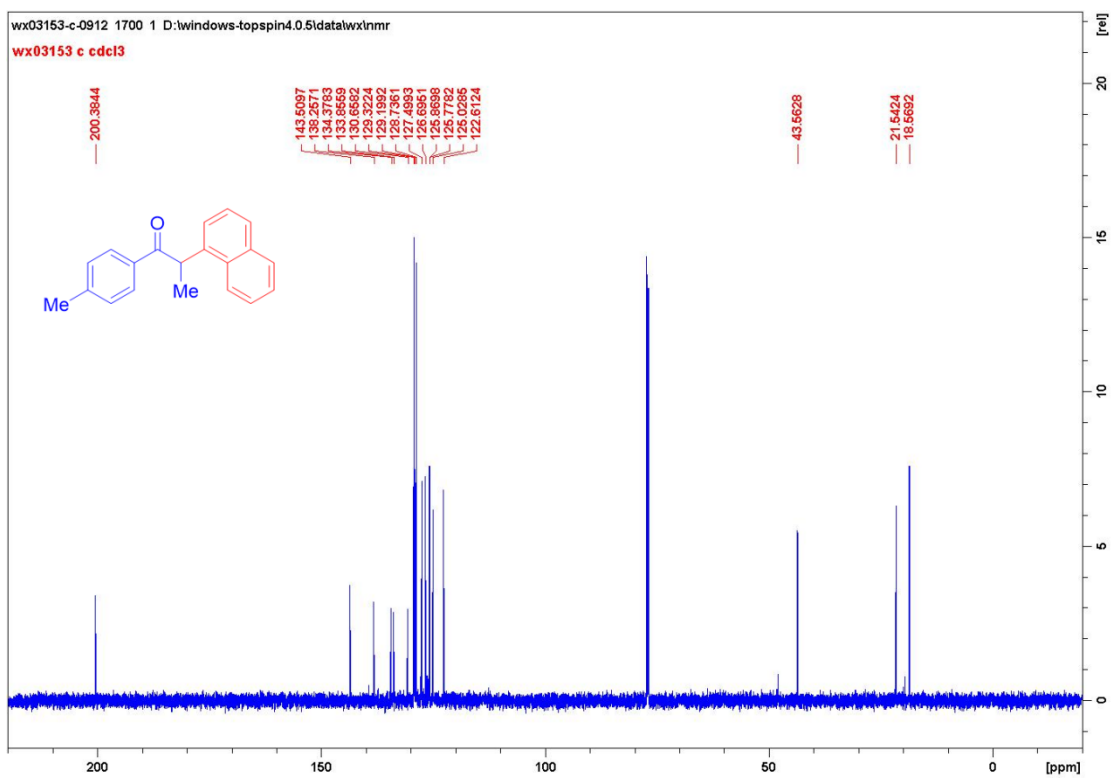


Name	Formula	Adduct	Extraction Mass	Found At Mass	Error (ppm)
2	C <sub>18</sub> H <sub>20</sub> O	+H	253.1587	253.1584	-0.9

HR-MS (ESI) spectra of **3k**.



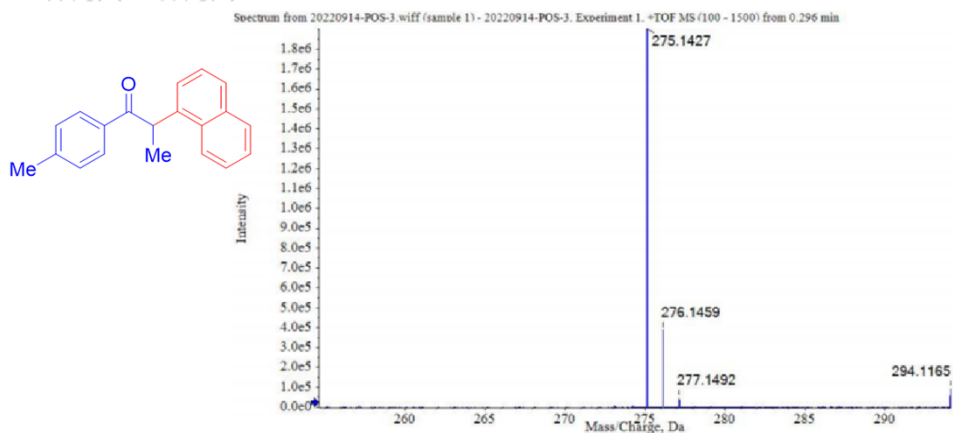
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) spectrum of **3I**.



$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 150 MHz) spectrum of **3I**.

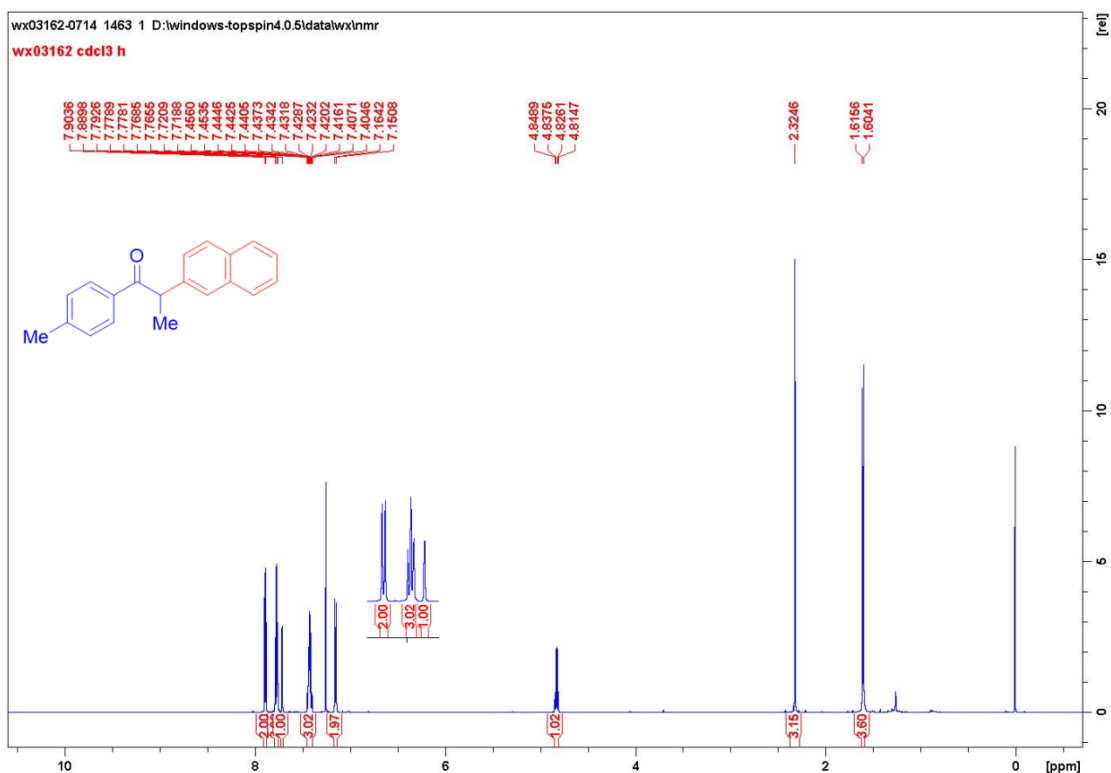


样品 3: C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>18</sub>O  
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 仪器: AB Sciex Triple TOF 5600+  
 离子模式: 正离子模式

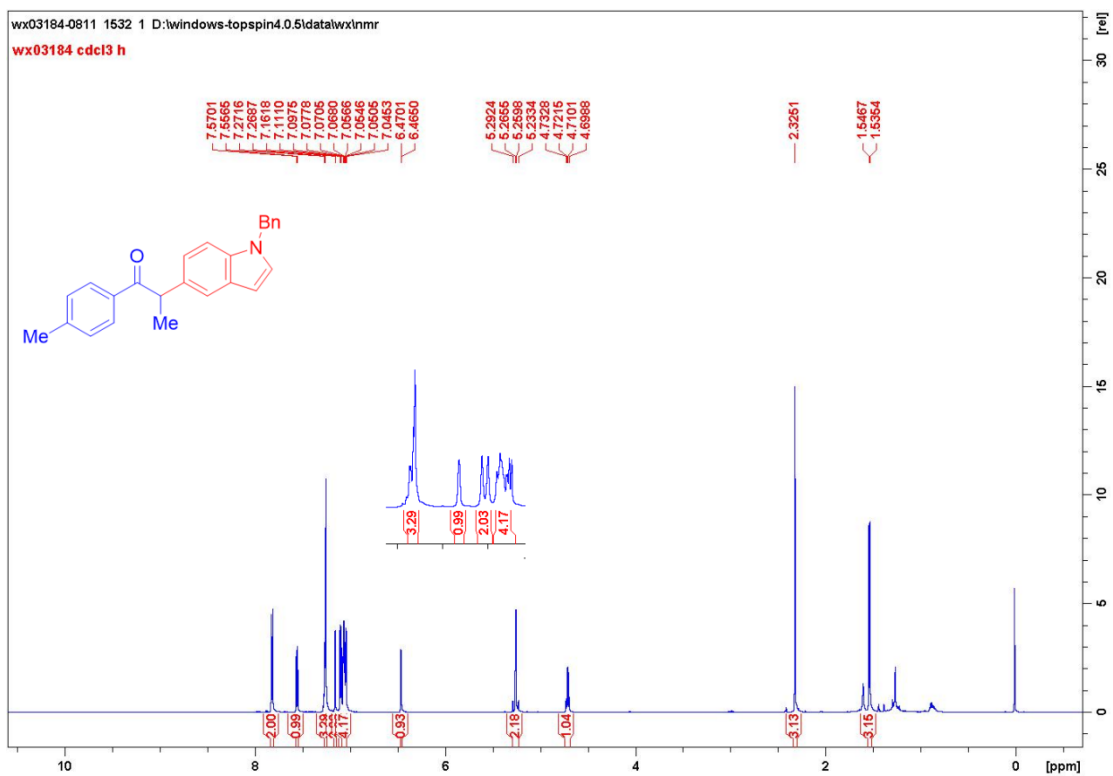


Name	Formula	Adduct	Extraction Mass	Found At Mass	Error (ppm)
3	C <sub>20</sub> H <sub>18</sub> O	+H	275.1430	275.1427	-1.4

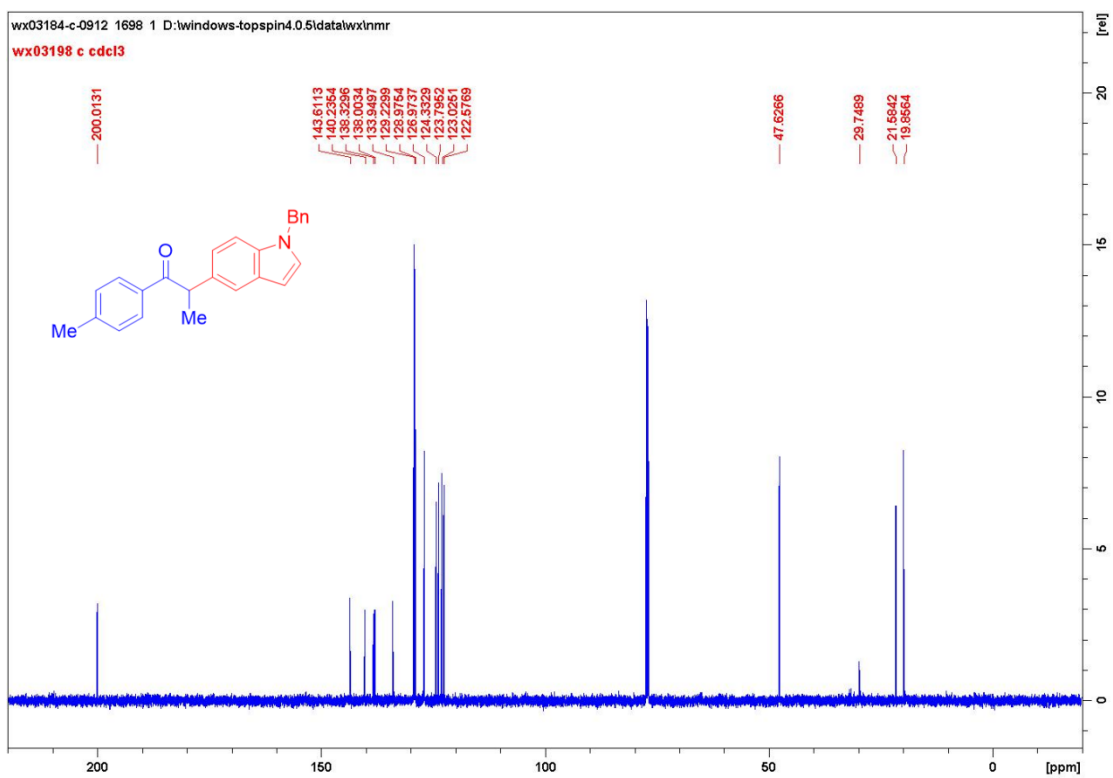
HR-MS (ESI) spectra of **3l**.



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) spectrum of **3m**.

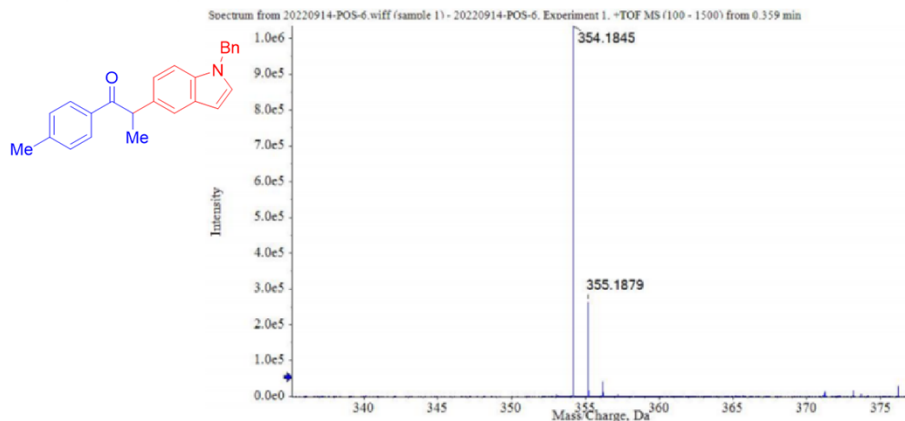


$^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) spectrum of **3n**.



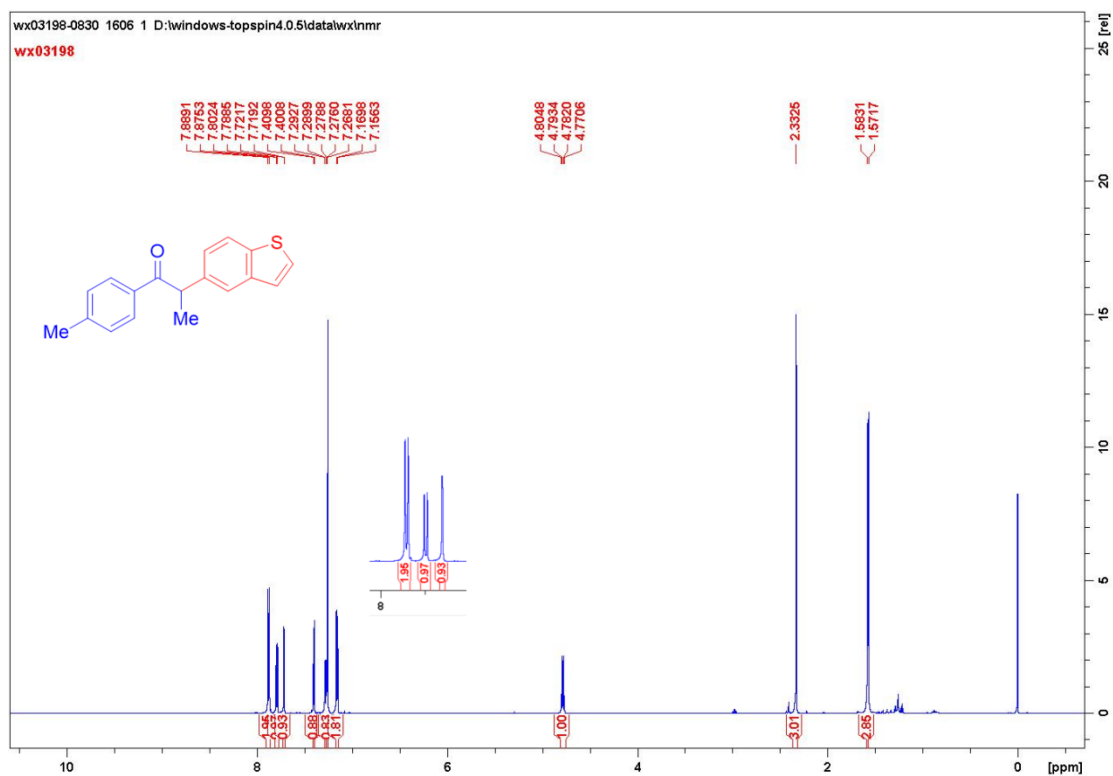
$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 150 MHz) spectrum of **3n**.

样品 6: C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>23</sub>NO  
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 仪器: AB Sciex Triple TOF 5600+  
 离子模式: 正离子模式

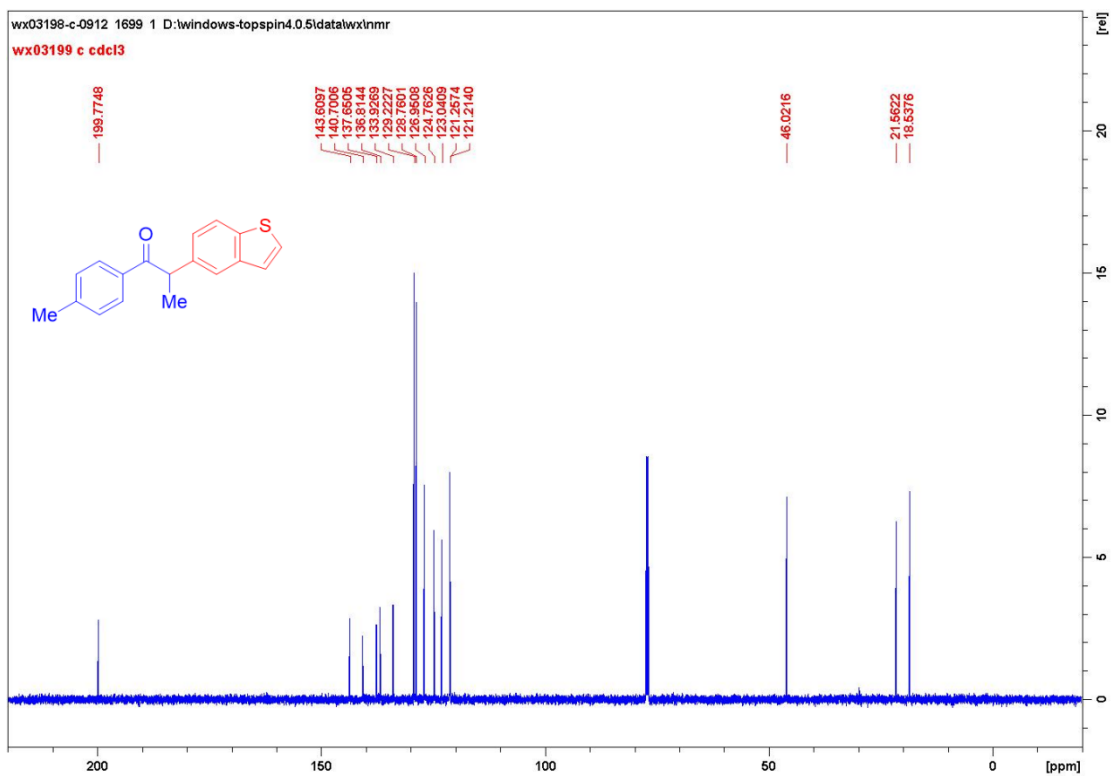


Name	Formula	Adduct	Extraction Mass	Found At Mass	Error (ppm)
6	C <sub>25</sub> H <sub>23</sub> NO	+H	354.1852	354.1845	-2.5

HR-MS (ESI) spectra of **3n**.

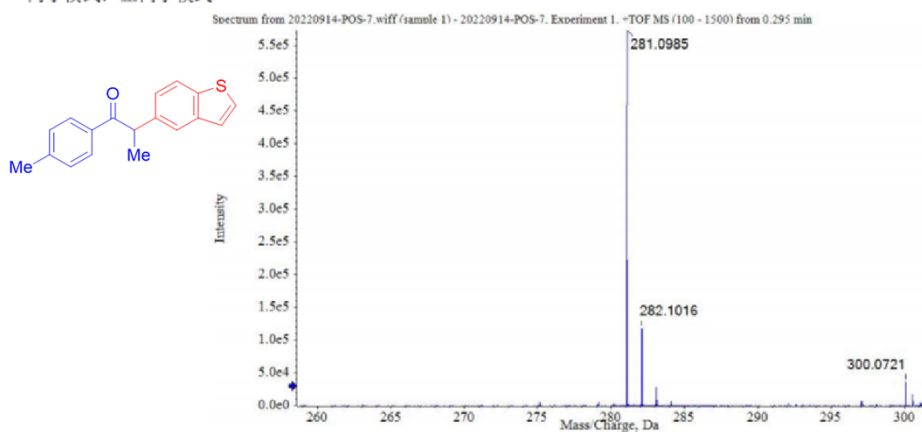


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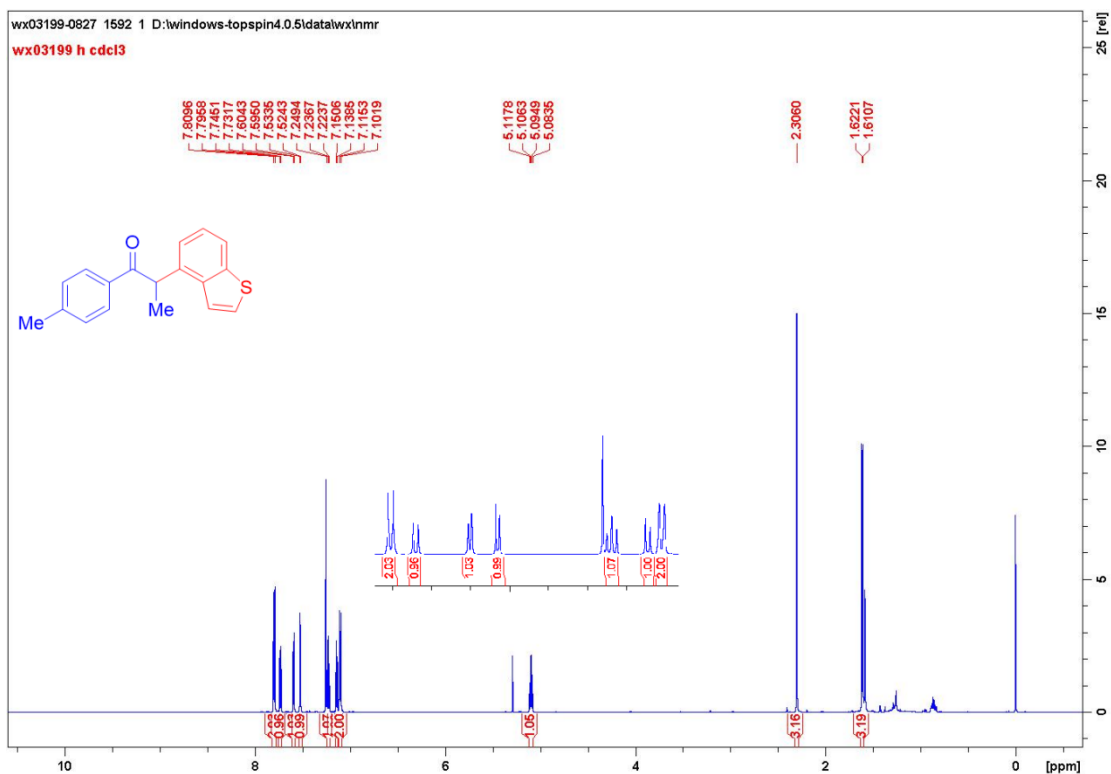
$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 150 MHz) spectrum of **30**.

样品 7:  $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{16}\text{SO}$   
离子源: ESI Positive  
仪器: AB Sciex Triple TOF 5600+  
离子模式: 正离子模式

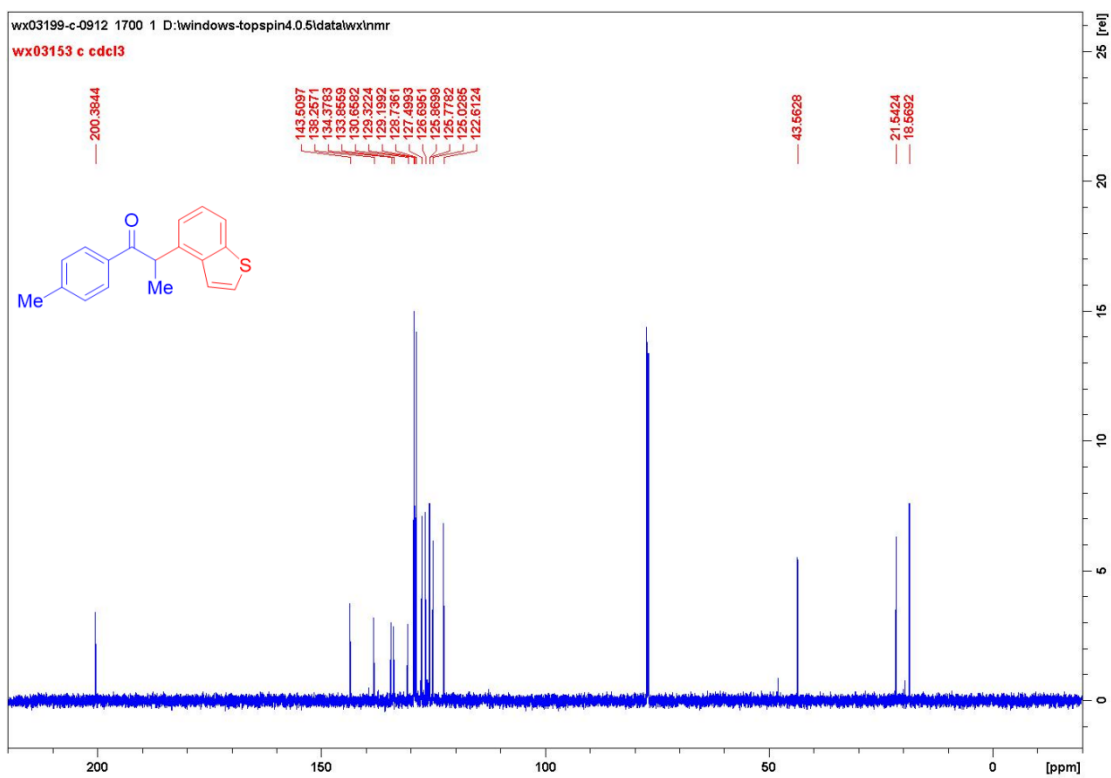


Name	Formula	Adduct	Extraction Mass	Found At Mass	Error (ppm)
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HR-MS (ESI) spectra of **30**.

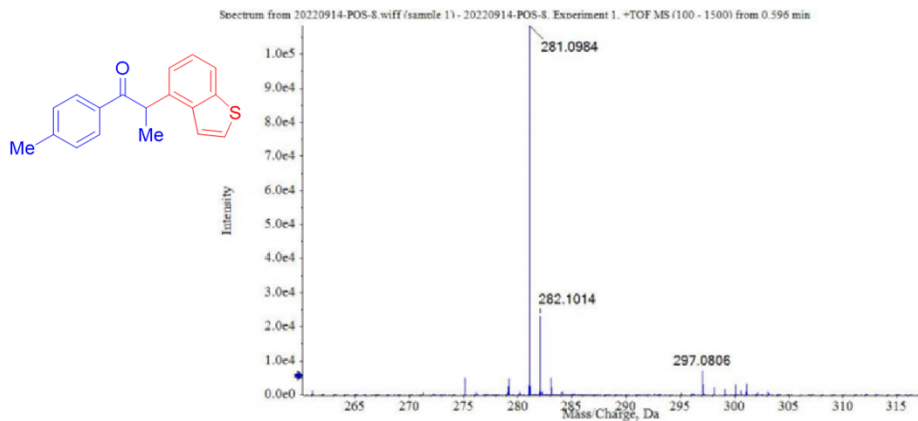


$^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) spectrum of **3p**.



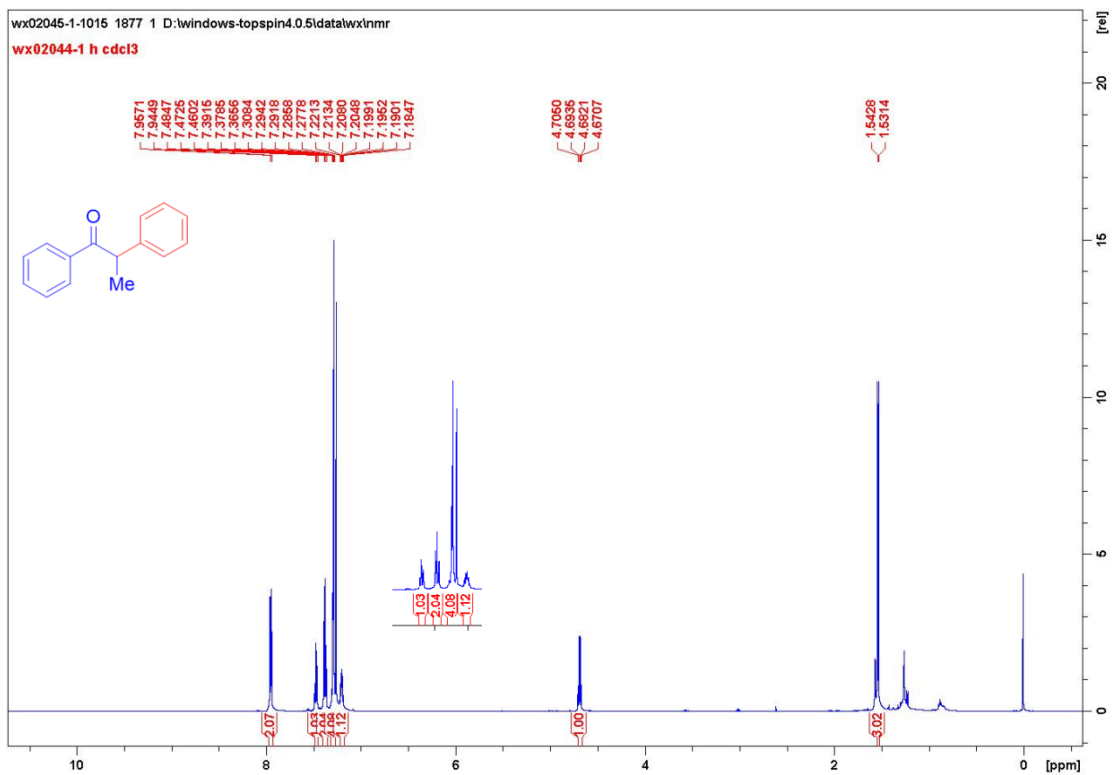
$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 150 MHz) spectrum of **3p**.

样品 8: C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>16</sub>SO  
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 仪器: AB Sciex Triple TOF 5600+  
 离子模式: 正离子模式

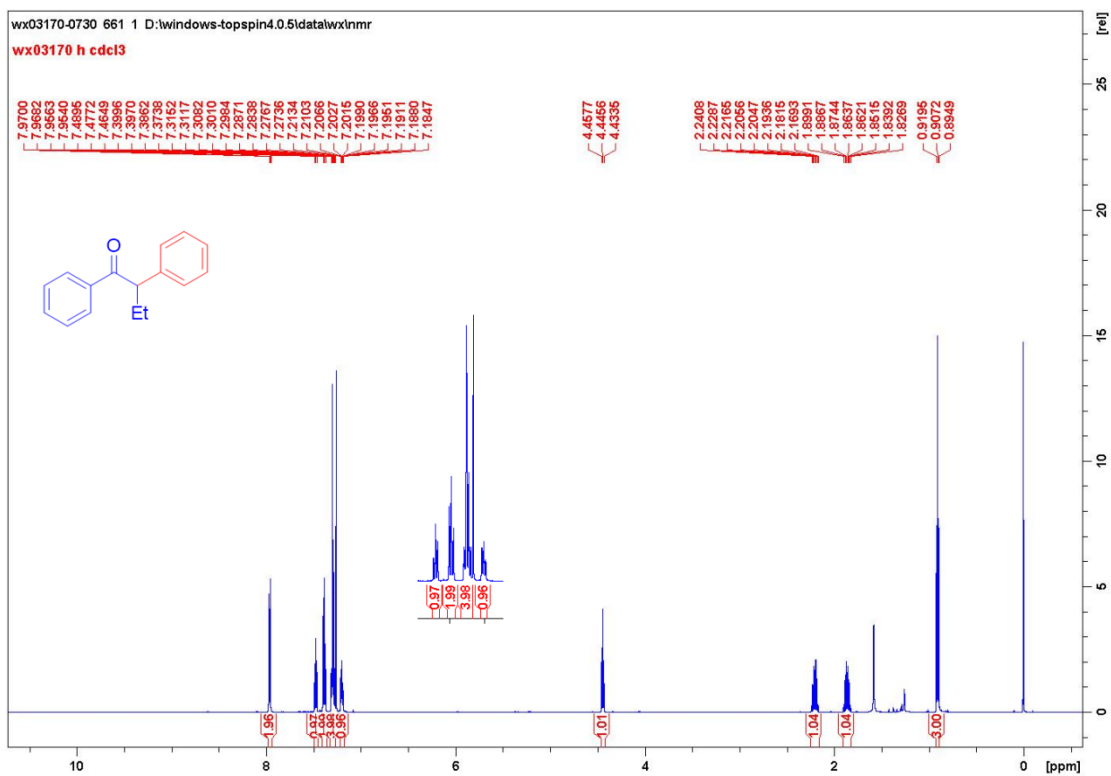


Name	Formula	Adduct	Extraction Mass	Found At Mass	Error (ppm)
8	C <sub>18</sub> H <sub>16</sub> SO	+H	281.0995	281.0984	-3.3

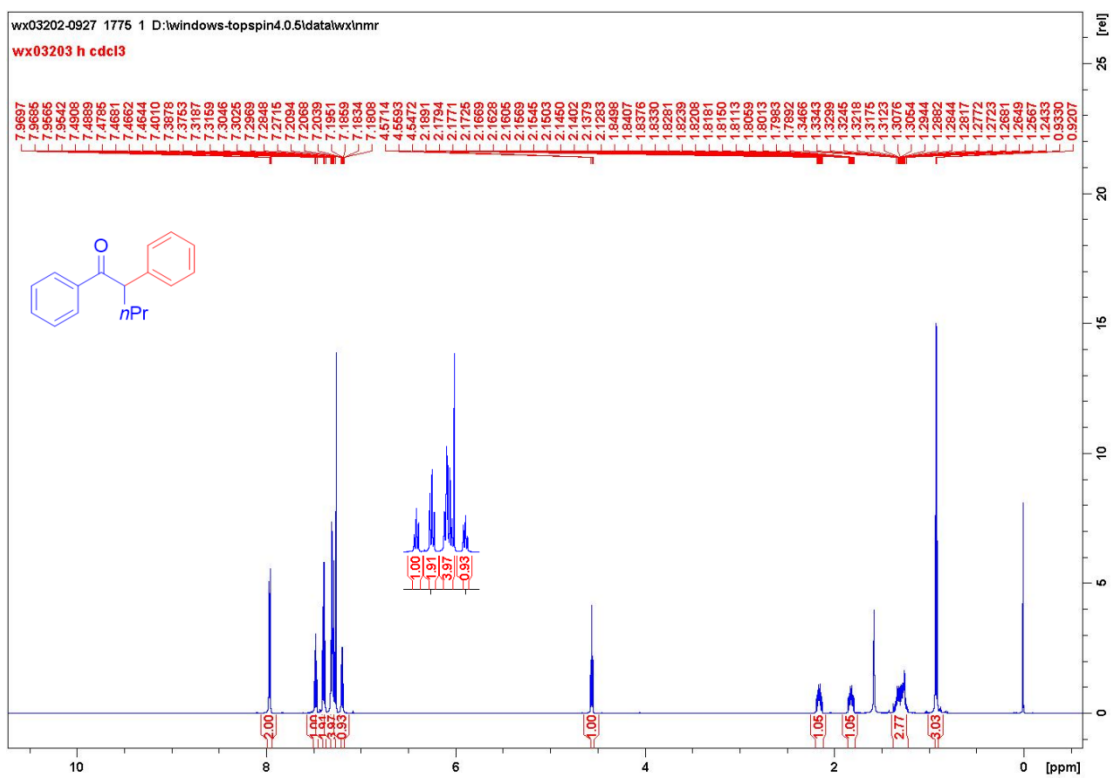
HR-MS (ESI) spectra of **3p**.



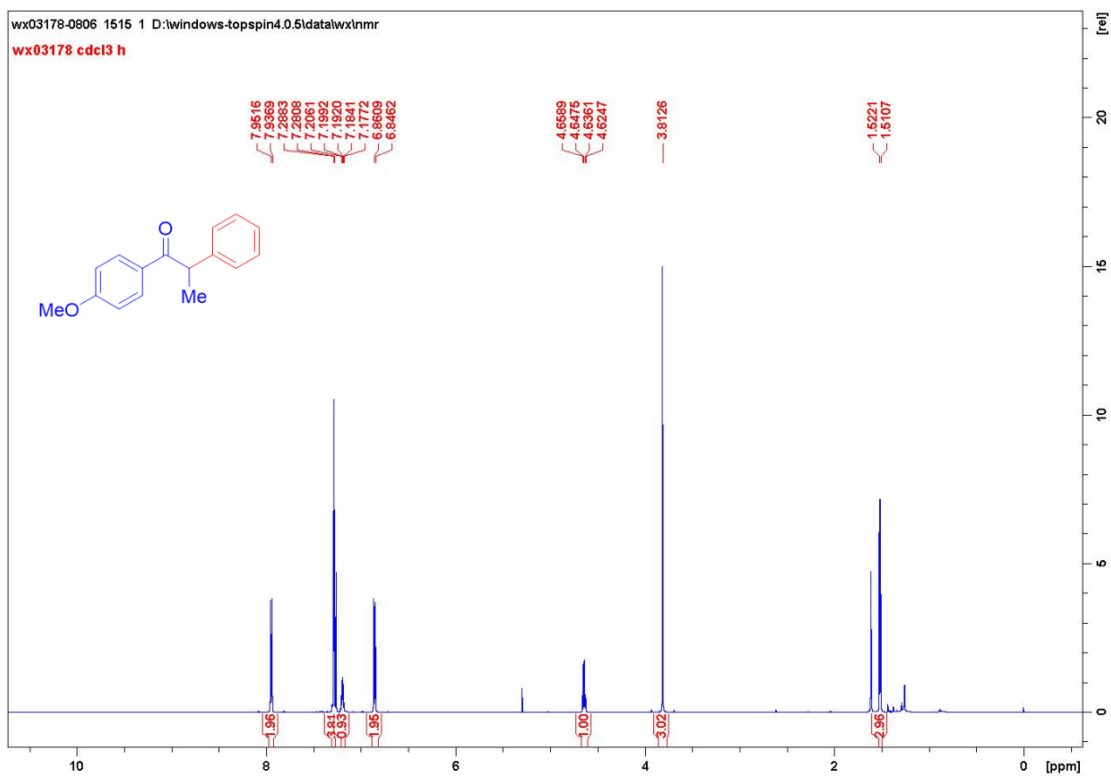
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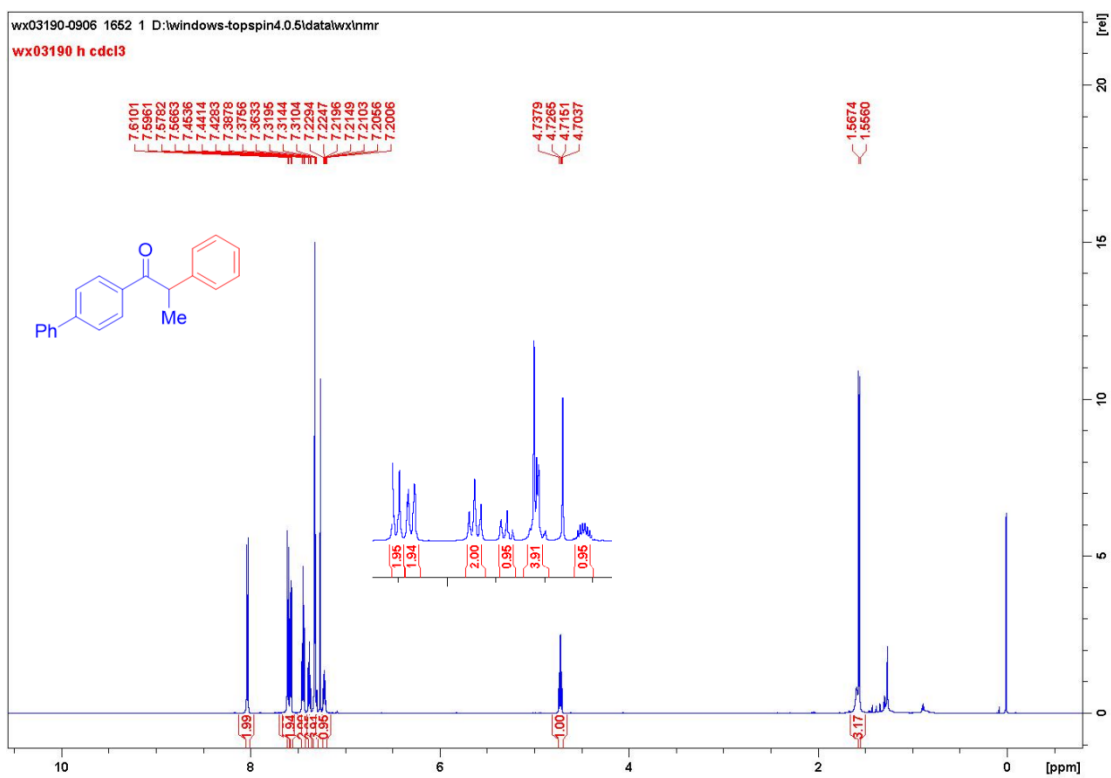
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) spectrum of **3r**.



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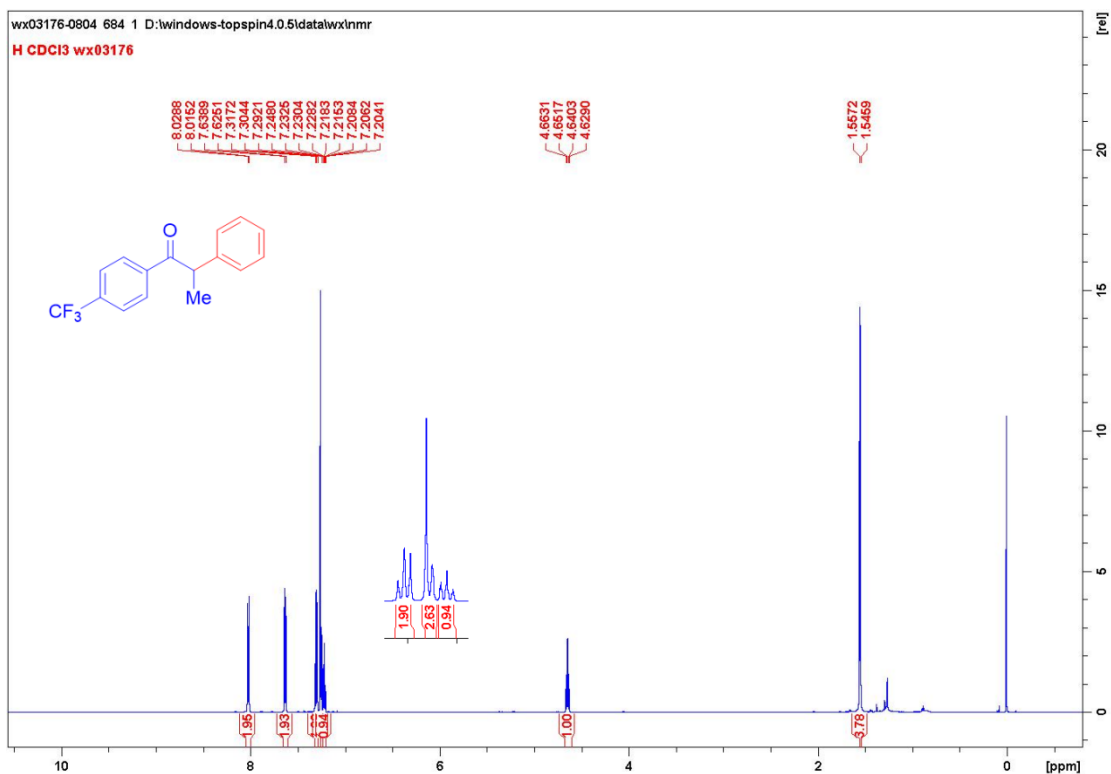


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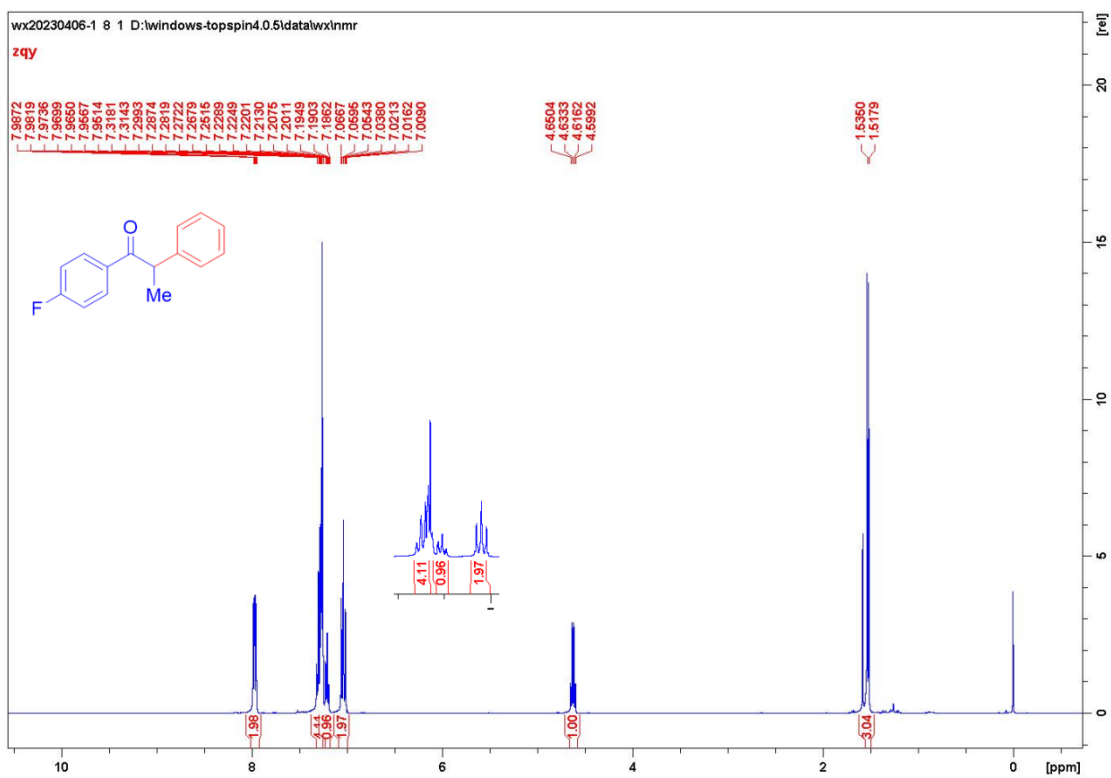


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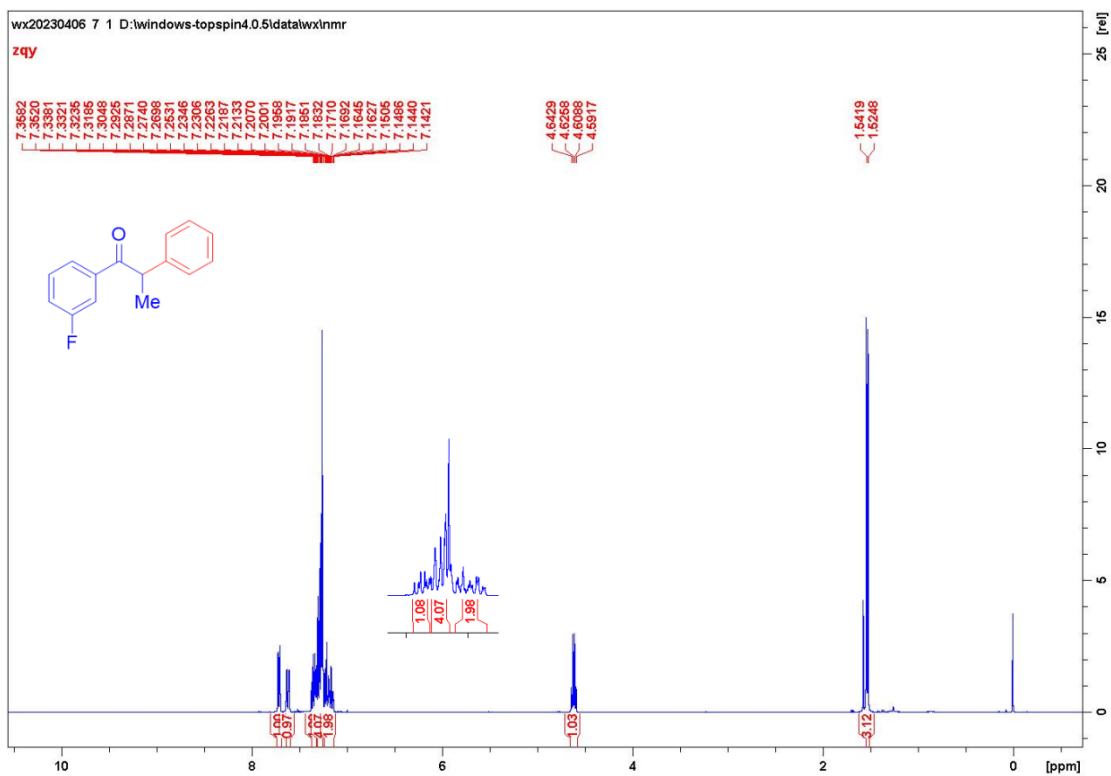




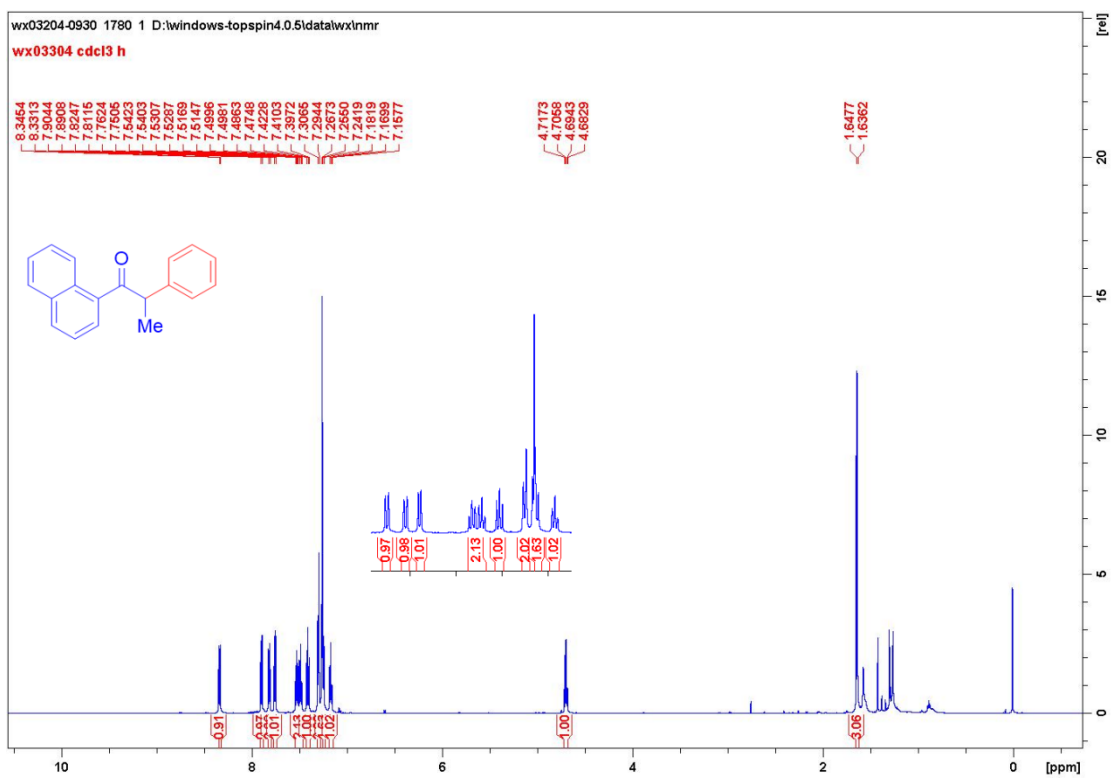
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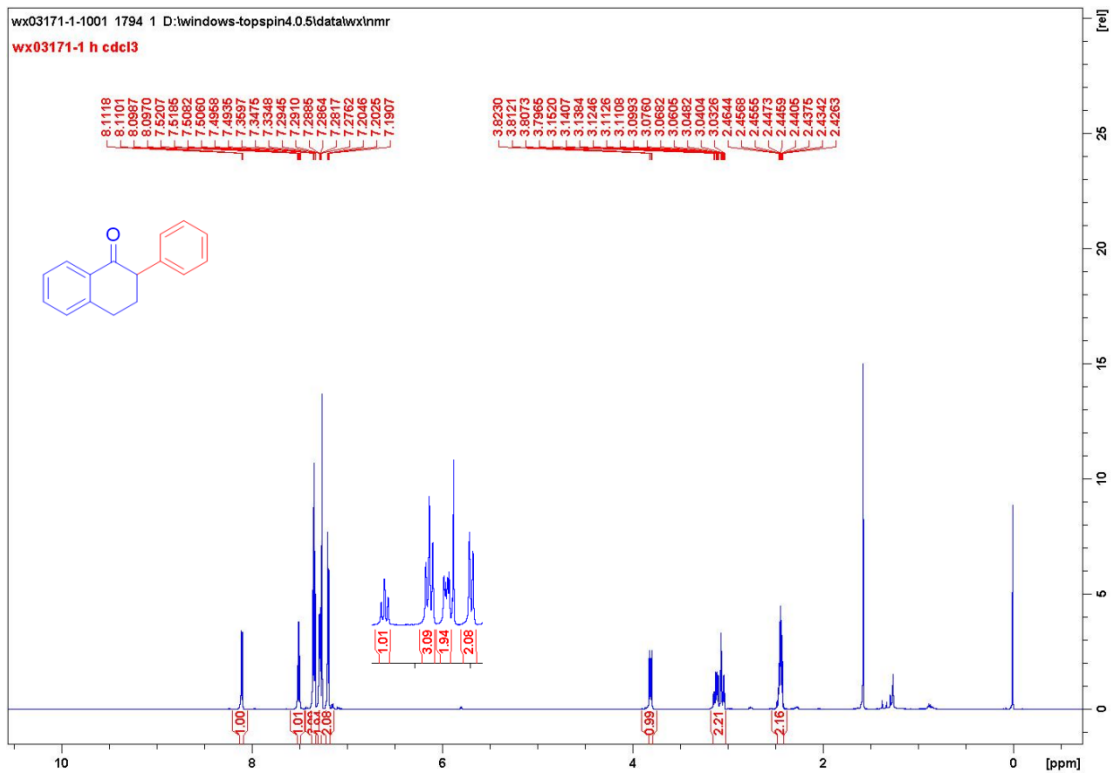
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) spectrum of **3w**.



$^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) spectrum of **3x**.



$^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) spectrum of **3y**.



$^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) spectrum of **3z**.