

## **Rationally designed Cu(II) Schiff base metal complex anchored on NiFe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@Chitosan: An efficient heterogeneous and magnetically retrievable hybrid nanocatalyst for the one-pot multi-component synthesis of bioactive 1-amidoalkyl-2-naphthols**

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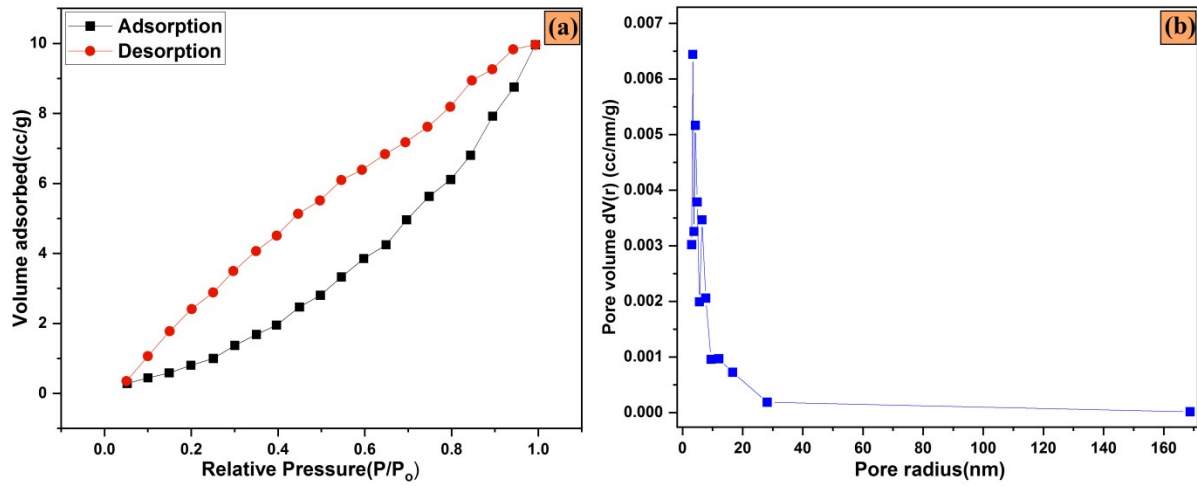
### **Supplementary Information**

#### **Experimental**

##### **Materials and methods**

FeCl<sub>3</sub>.6H<sub>2</sub>O, NiCl<sub>2</sub>.6H<sub>2</sub>O, 4-(diethylamino)-salicylaldehyde, Cu(OAc)<sub>2</sub>.H<sub>2</sub>O, ethanol, and Chitosan(CS) were acquired from SRL Chemical without undergoing further purification.

With KBr pellets, IR (infrared) spectra were obtained on a Bruker 3000 Hyperion Microscope that was set up with a Vertex 80 FT-IR system. The crystal phases were investigated using a Panalytical Xpert3 X-ray diffractometer that was outfitted with Cu-K $\alpha$  radiation ( $\lambda = 1.54 \text{ \AA}$ ). Jeol 6390LA/OXFORD XMX N SEM instrument was utilized to confirm the surface structure of the composite. With the JEOL Model 2100 F, TEM images are captured. Nova Touch LX<sub>2</sub> gas sorption analyzer from Quantachrome Instruments was used to measure the BET surface area and pore size distribution of materials. Microsense EV7 Vibrating Sample Magnetometer was used to detect the magnetic properties. X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy (XPS) was performed using a PHI 5000 VERSA Probe III (ULVAC PHI, USA). Inductively Coupled Plasma- Atomic Emission Spectroscopy (ICP-AES) was performed using ARCOS, Simultaneous ICP spectrometer.



**Fig. S1. (a) N<sub>2</sub> adsorption/desorption isotherm and (b) BJH plot for pore-size distribution of NiFe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@CS@CuSB**

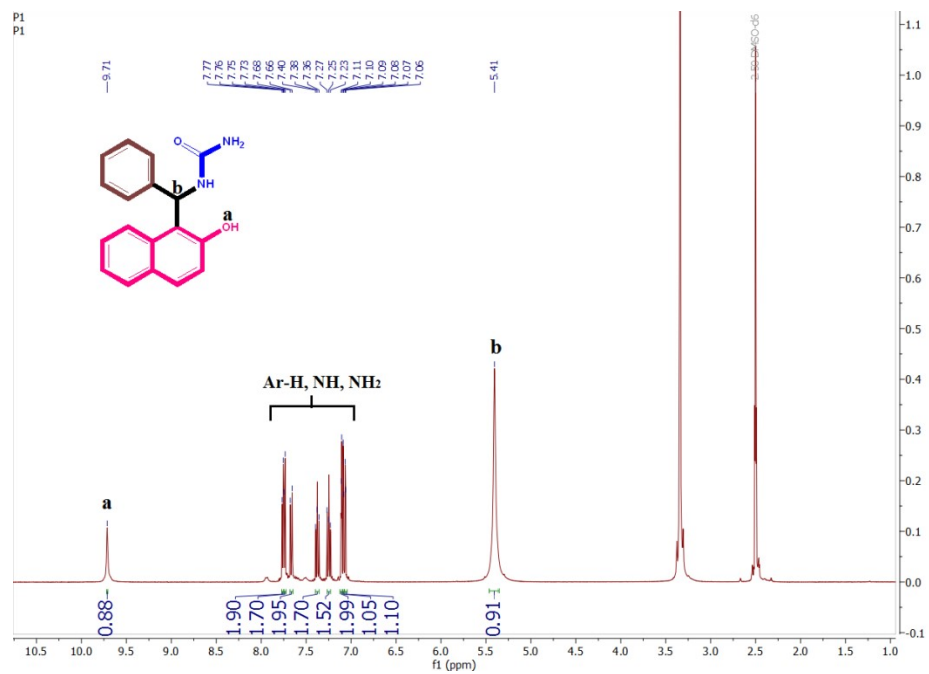


Fig.S2(a).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of 4a

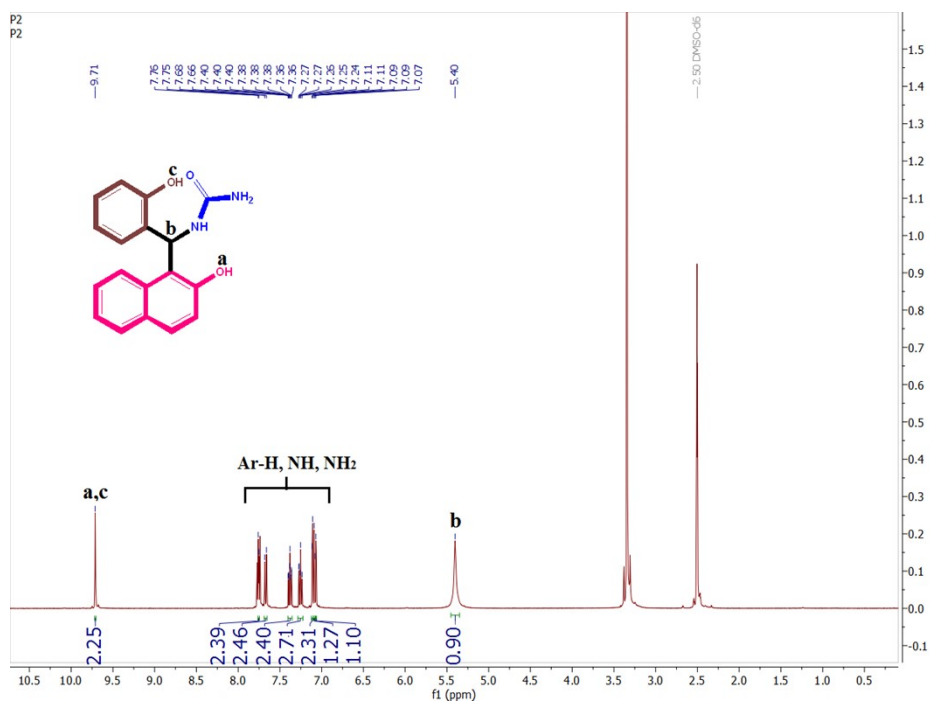


Fig.S2(b).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of 4b

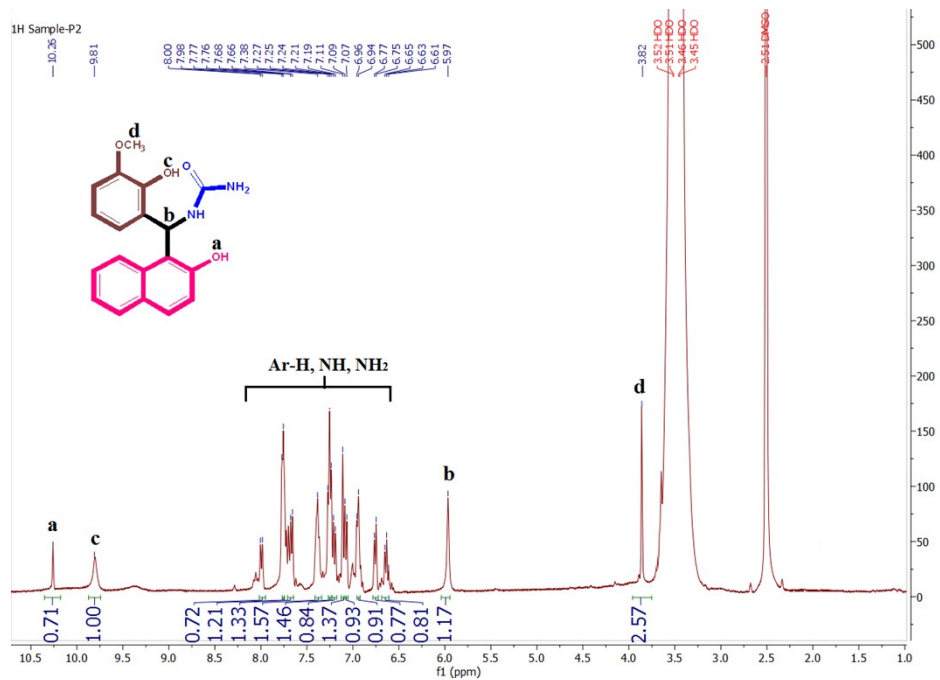


Fig.S2(c). <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of 4c

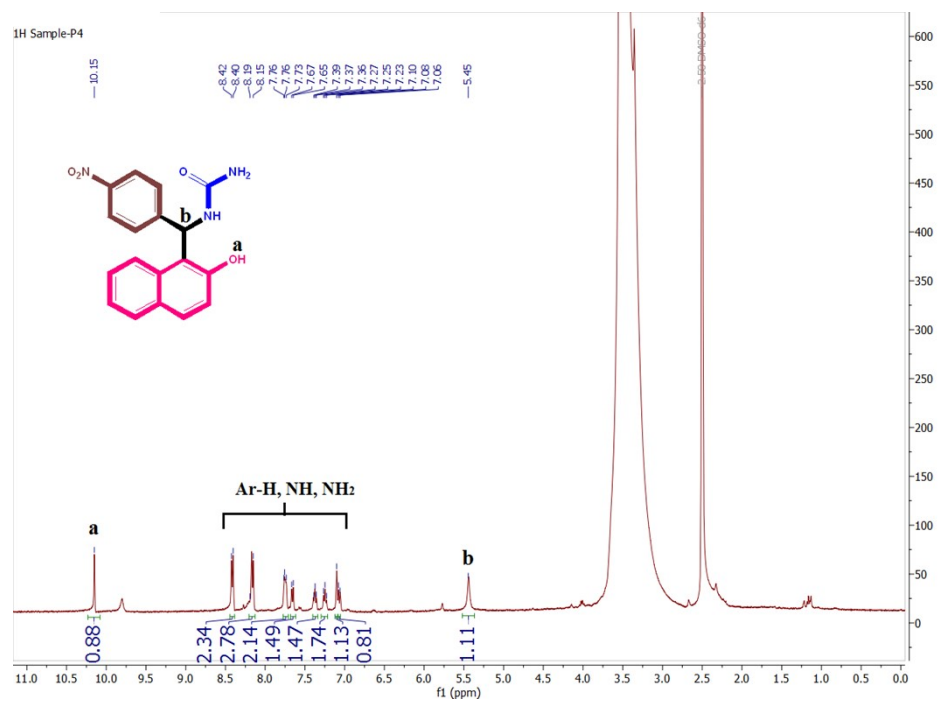


Fig.S2(d). <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of 4d

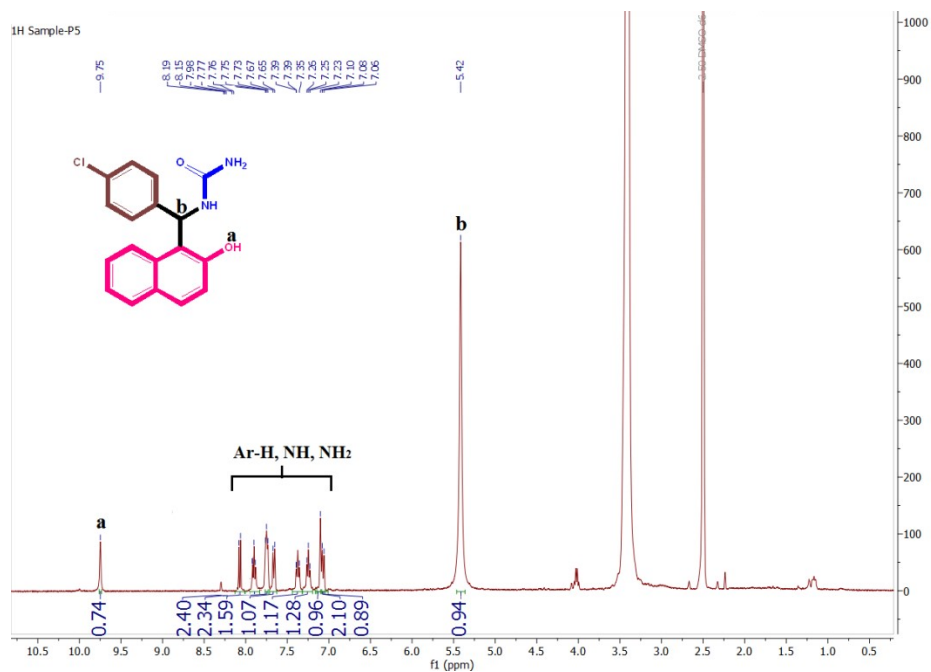


Fig.S2(e). <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of 4e

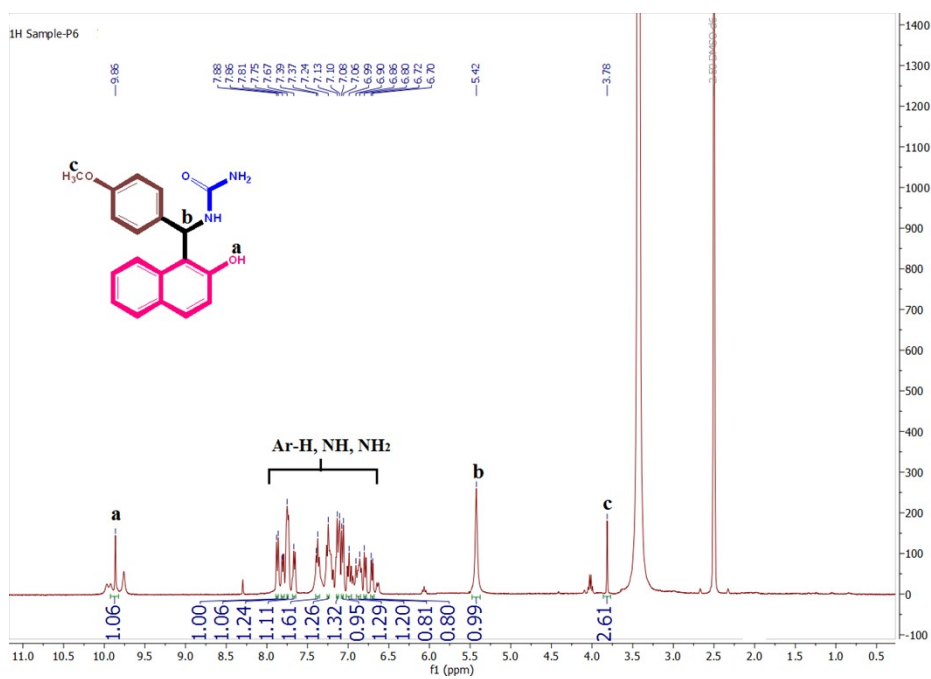


Fig.S2(f). <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of 4f

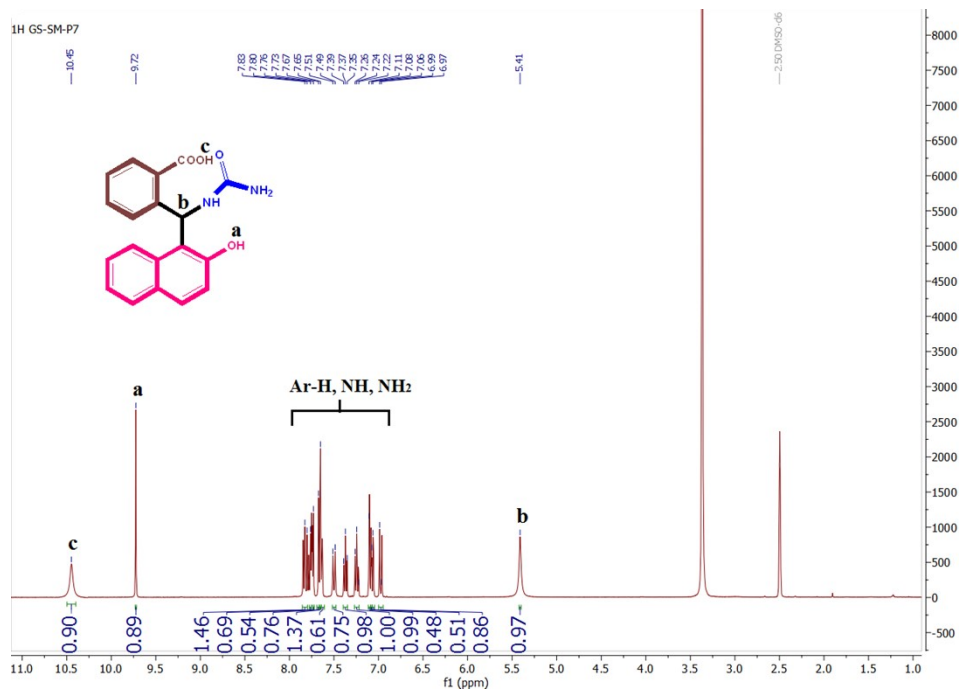


Fig.S2(g). <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of 4g

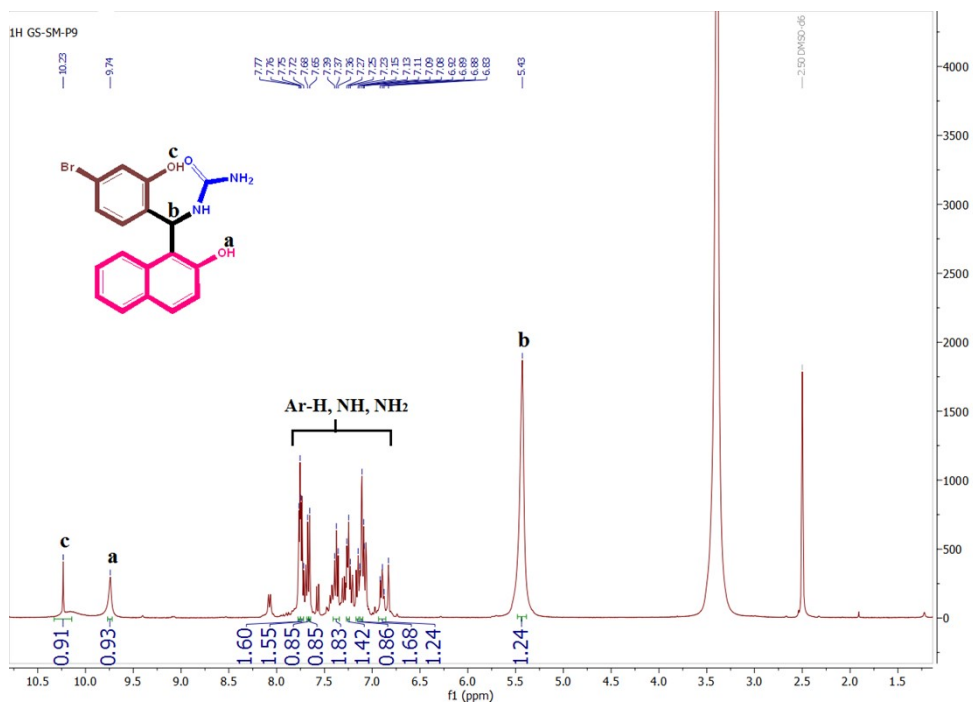


Fig.S2(h). <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of 4h

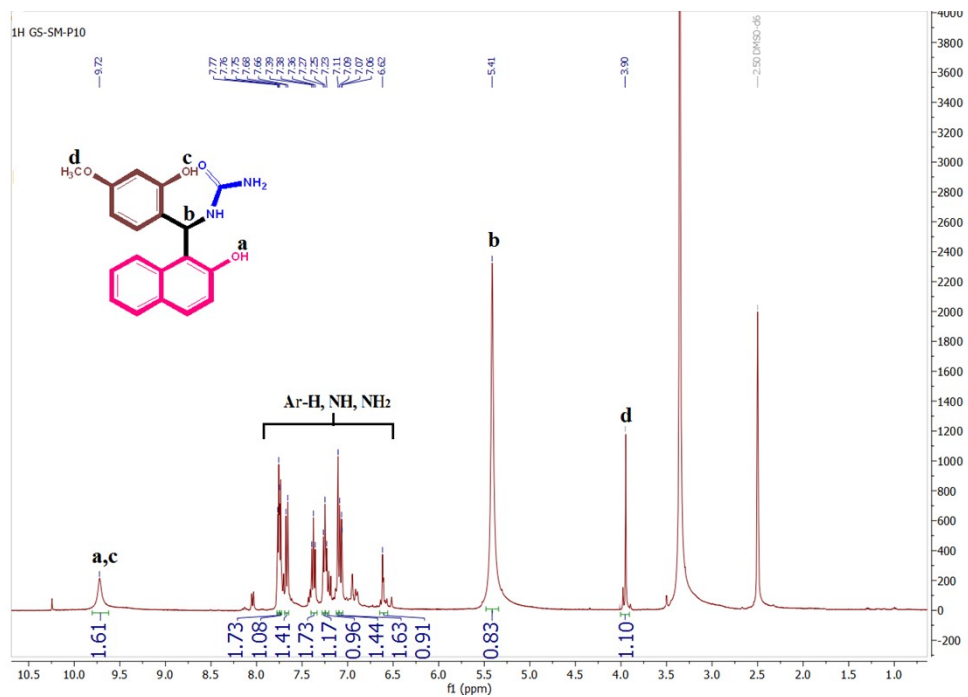


Fig.S2(i).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of 4i

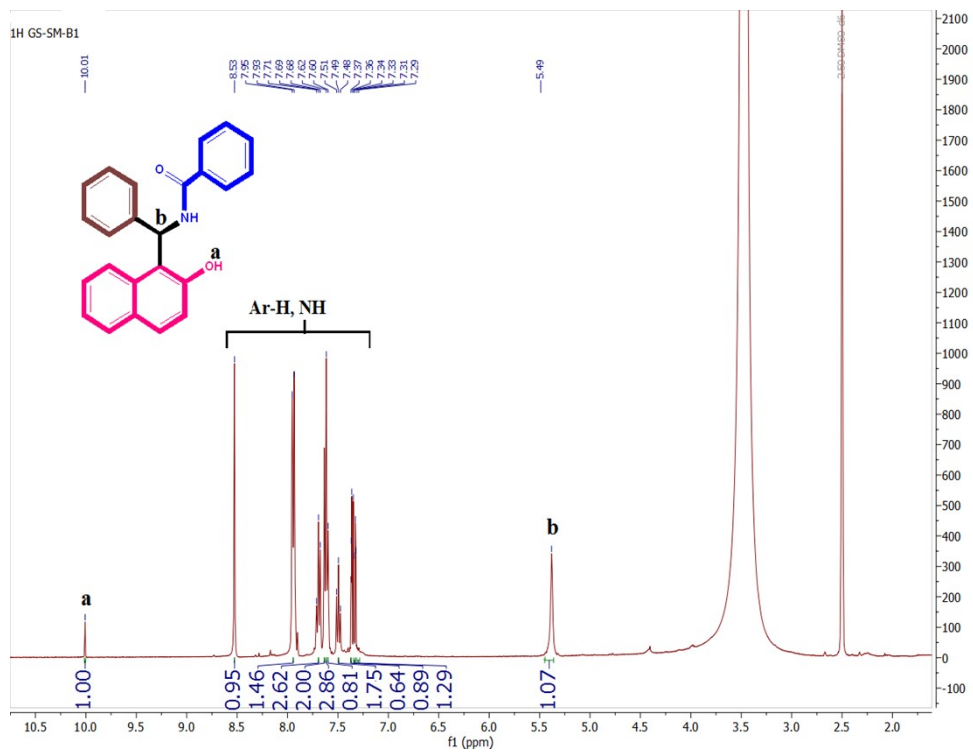


Fig.S2(j).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of 4j

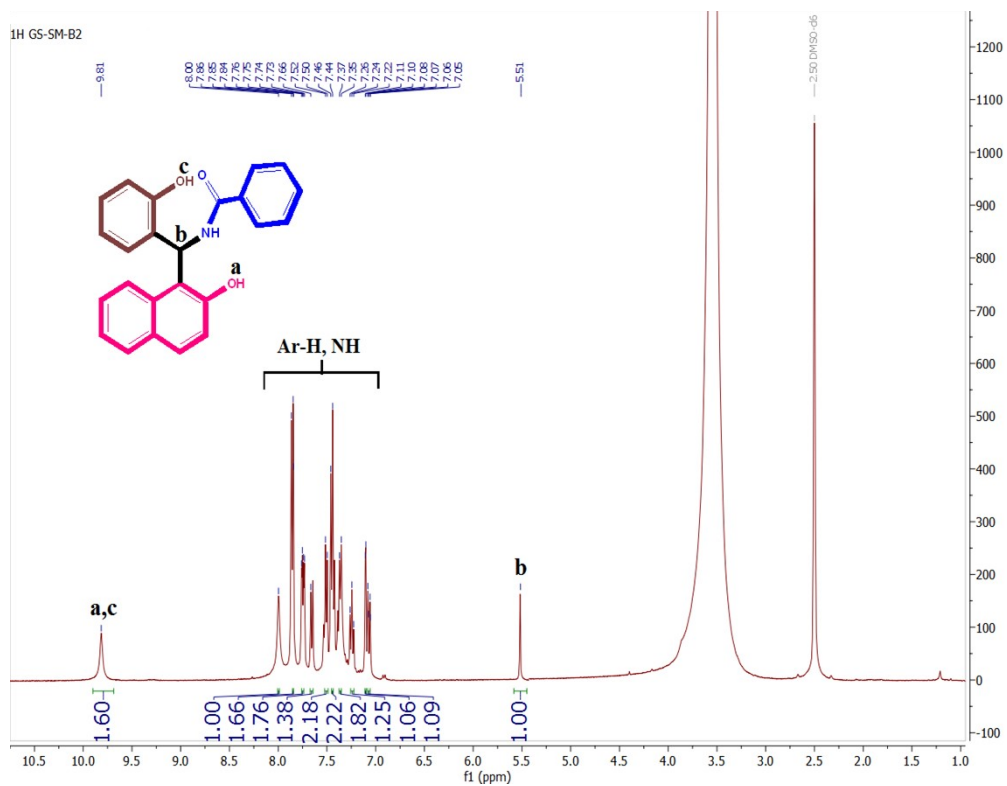


Fig.S2(k). <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of 4k

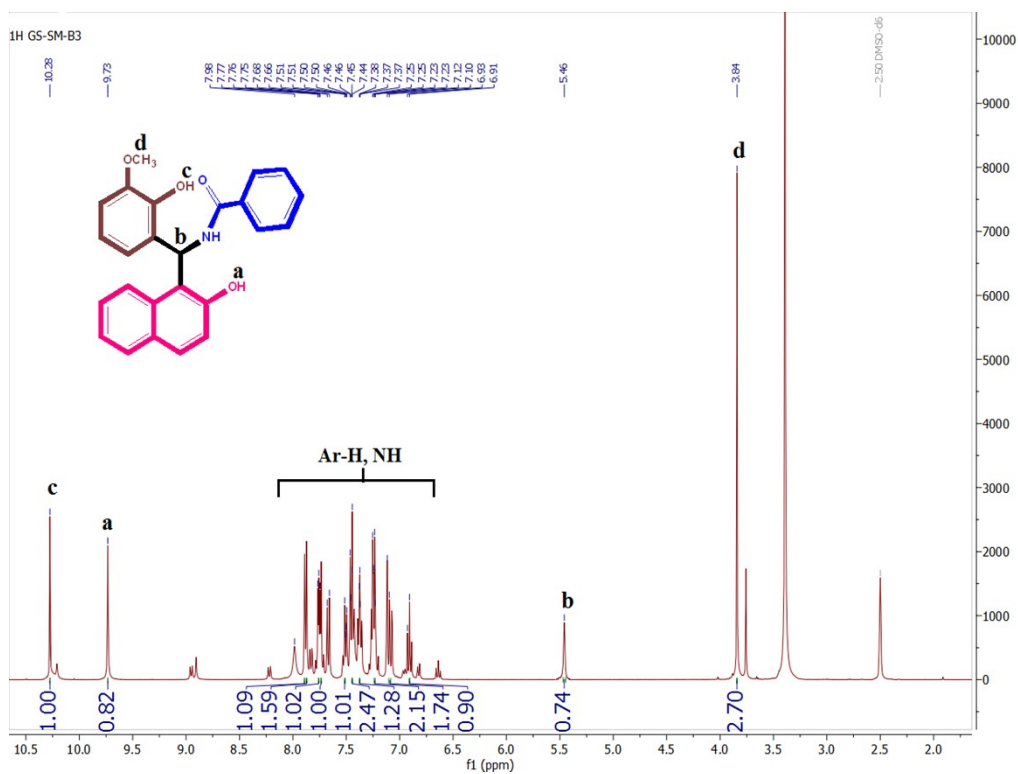


Fig.S2(l). <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of 4l



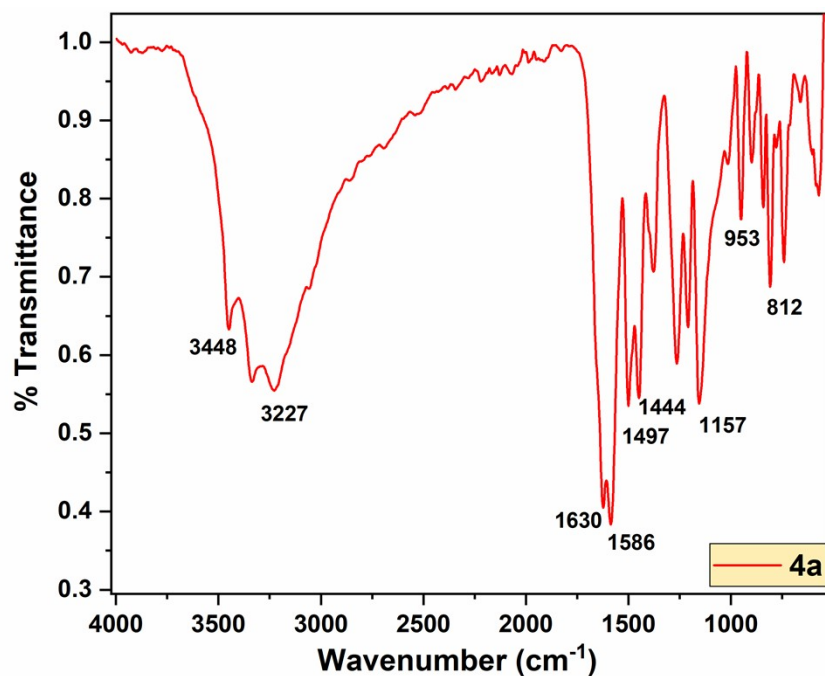


Fig.S3(a). IR spectra of 4a

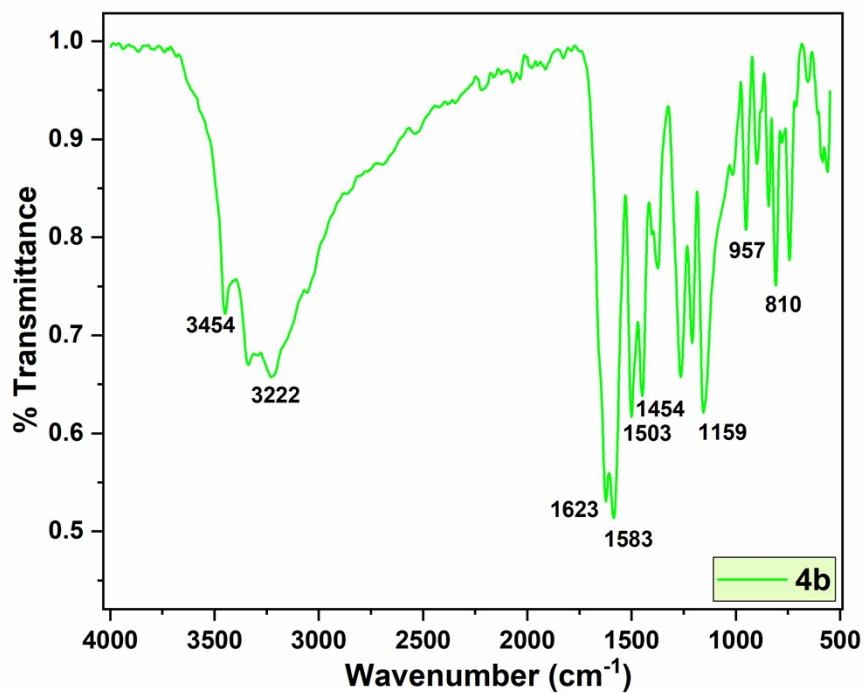
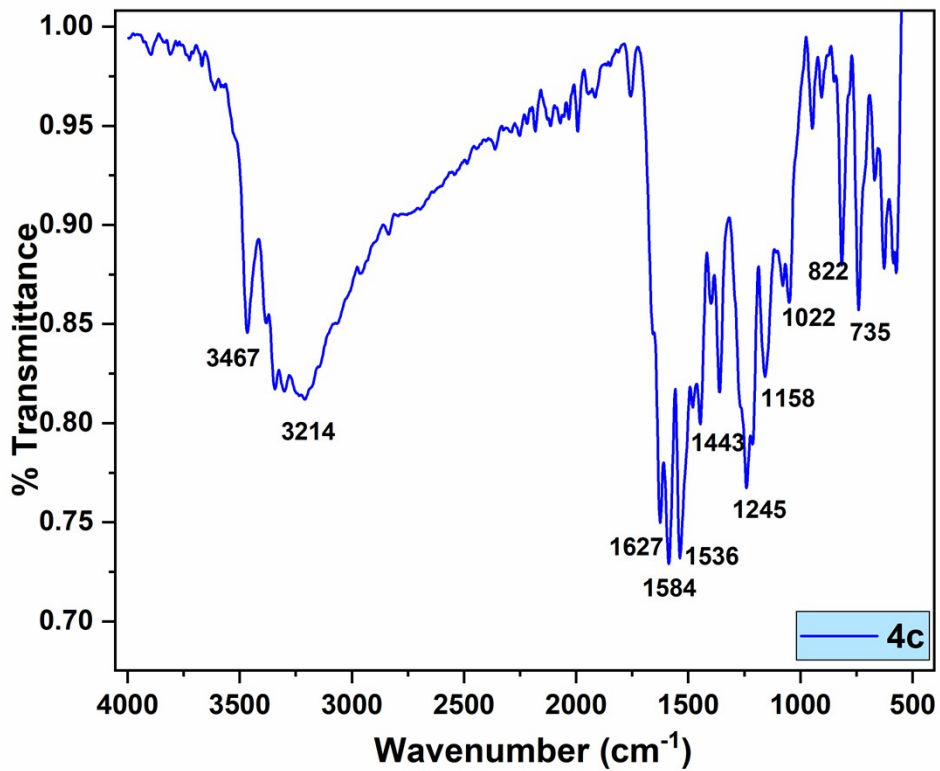


Fig.S3(b). IR spectra of 4b



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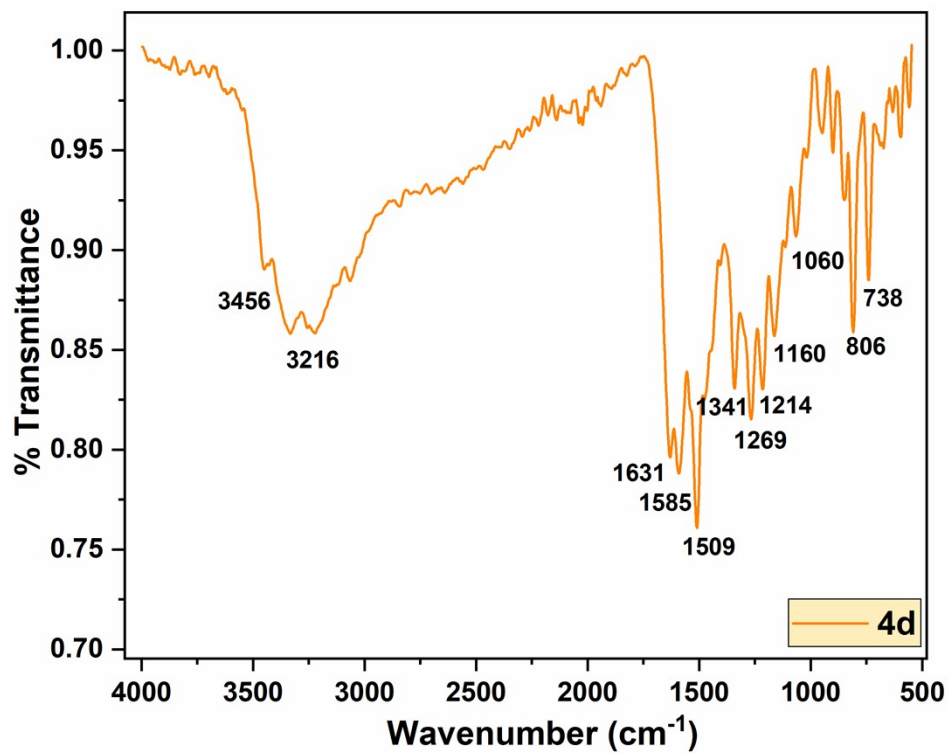


Fig.S3(d). IR spectra of 4d

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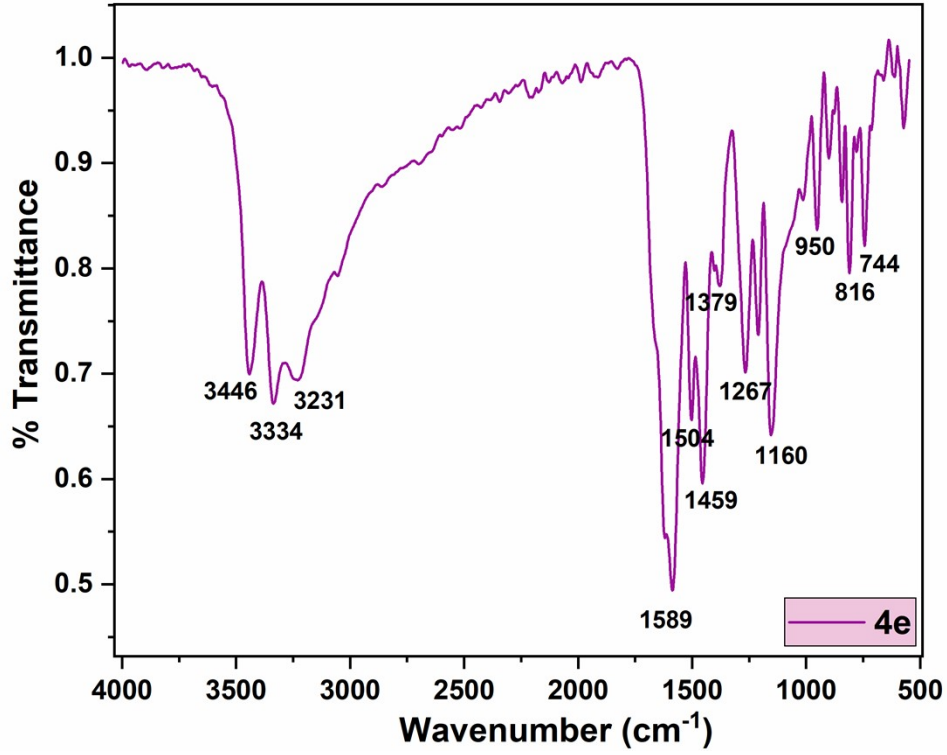
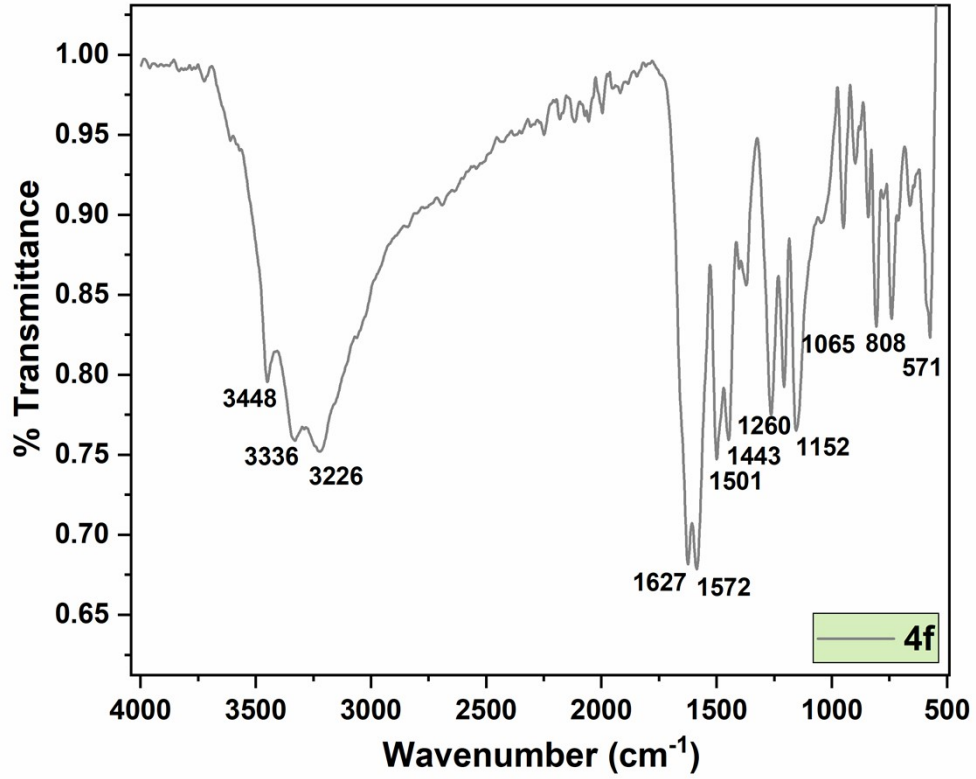


Fig.S3(e). IR spectra of 4e



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.S3(f). IR spectra of 4f

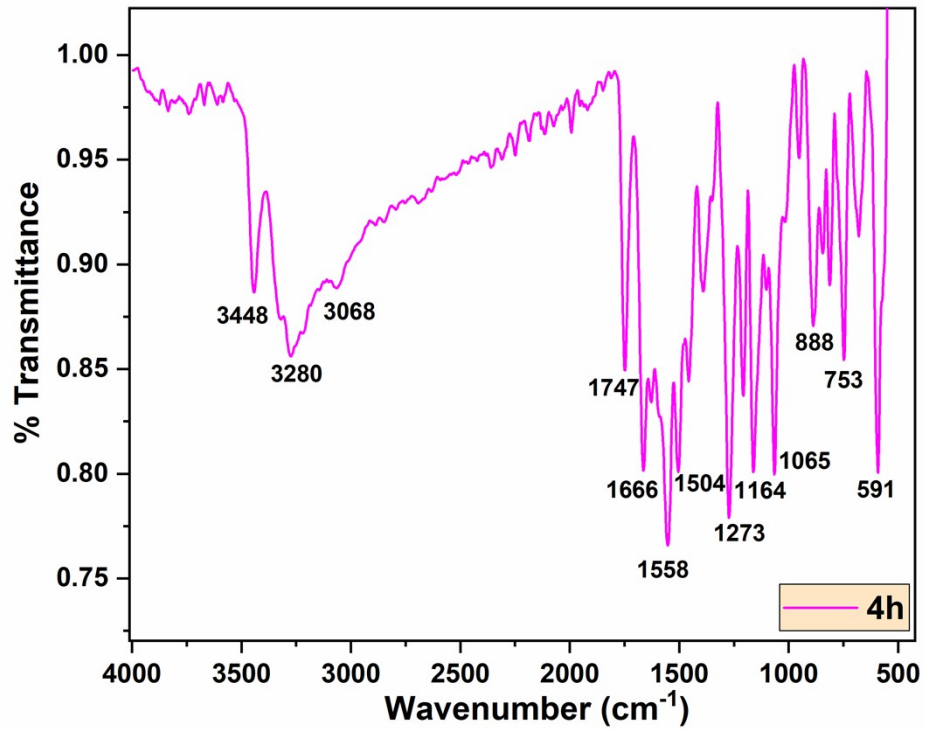


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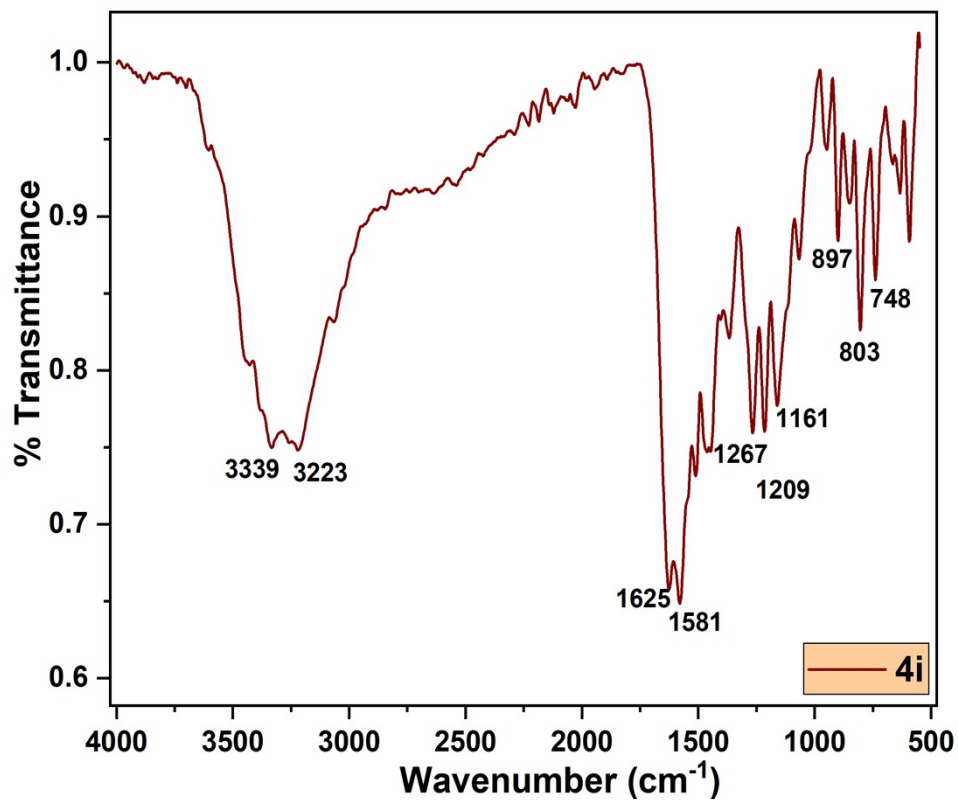


Fig.S3(h). IR spectra of 4i

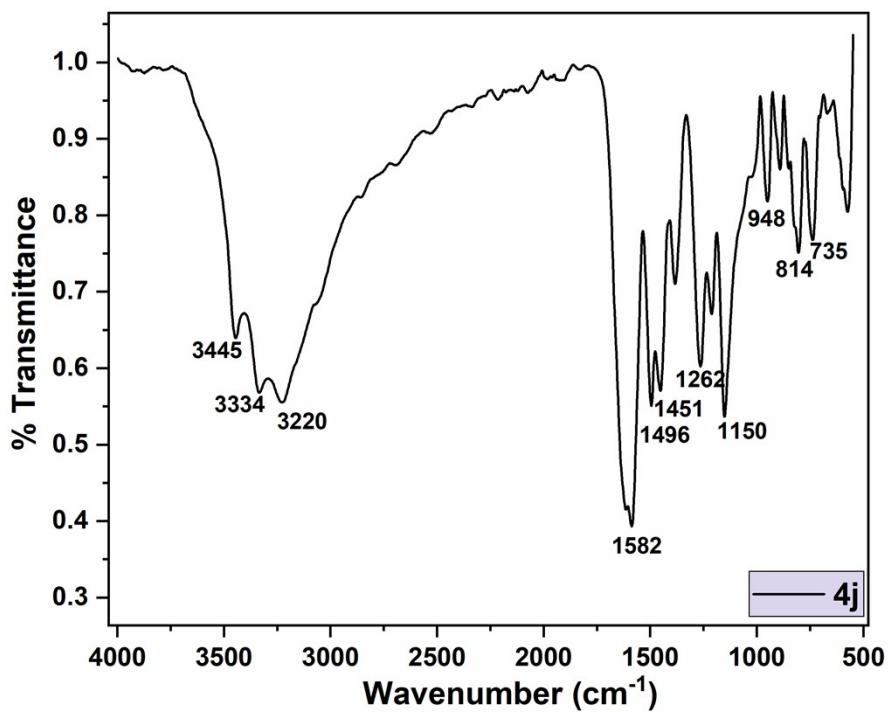


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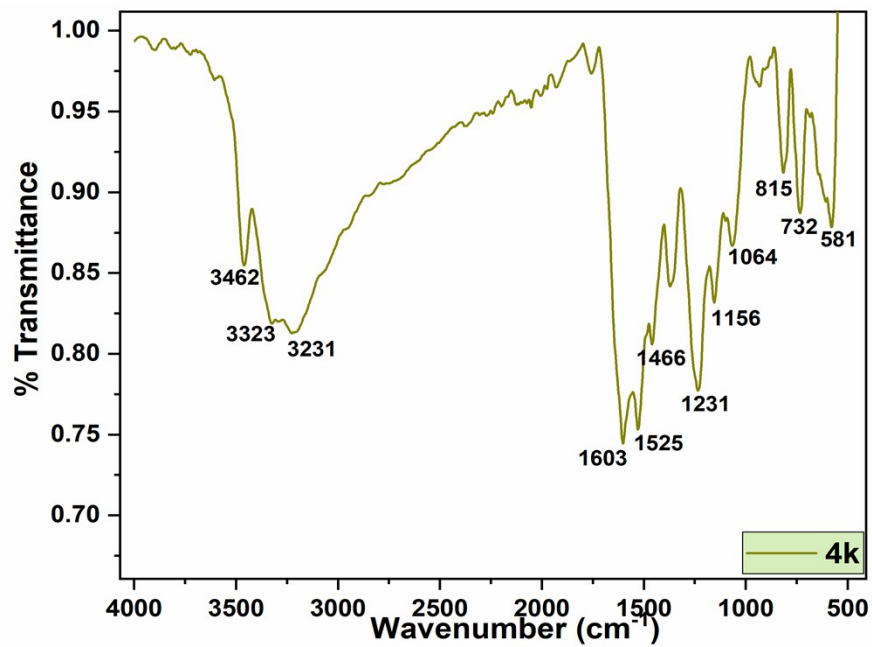


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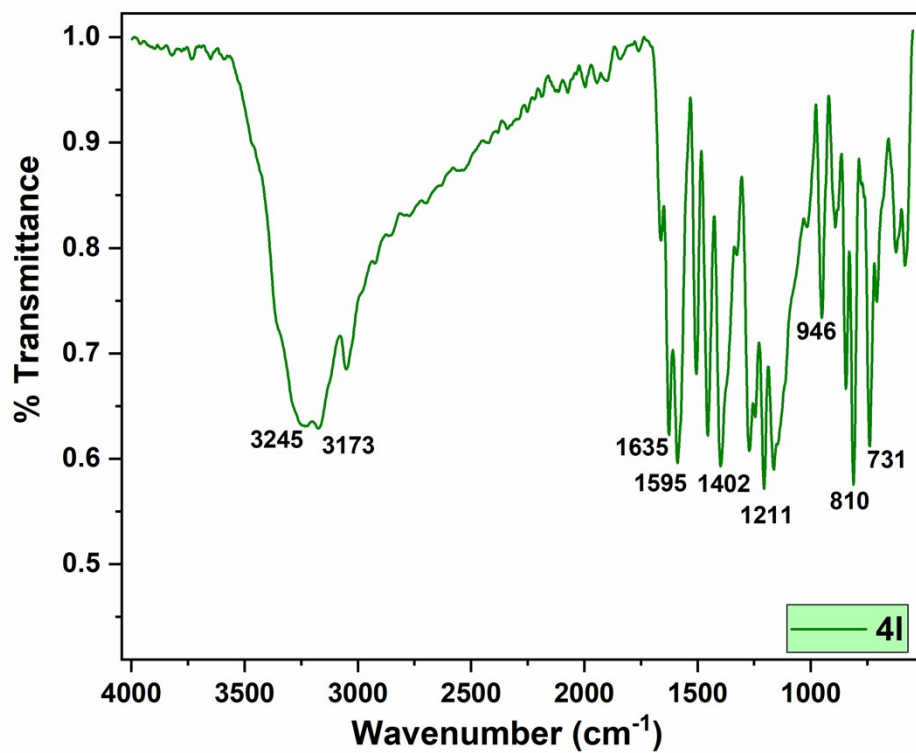


Fig.S3(k). IR spectra of 4l

## **Spectral analysis of the synthesized 1-amidoalkyl-2-naphthol derivatives**

### **4a. 1-(naphthalen-1-yl(phenyl)methyl)urea**

Appearance- white solid, M.P: 218-220 °C

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  (ppm): 9.71(s, 1H, OH), 7.06-7.77 (m, 14H, Ar-H, NH, NH<sub>2</sub>), 5.41 (s, 1H, CH); IR ( $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3448, 3227, 1630, 1586, 1497, 1444, 1157, 953, 812

### **4b. 1-((2-hydroxyphenyl)(naphthalen-1-yl)methyl)urea**

Appearance- white solid, M.P: 215-217°C

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  (ppm): 9.71(s, 2H, 2OH), 7.07-7.76 (m, 13H, Ar-H, NH, NH<sub>2</sub>), 5.40 (s, 1H, CH); IR ( $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3454, 3222, 1623, 1583, 1503, 1454, 1159, 957, 810

### **4c. 1-((2-hydroxy-3-methoxyphenyl)(naphthalen-1-yl)methyl)urea**

Appearance- yellow solid, M.P: 221-225°C

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  (ppm): 10.26 (s, 1H, OH), 9.81(s, 1H, OH), 6.61-8.00 (m, 12H, Ar-H, NH,  $\text{NH}_2$ ), 5.97 (s, 1H, CH); 3.82 (s, 3H,  $\text{OCH}_3$ ); IR ( $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ):3467, 3214, 1627, 1584, 1536, 1443, 1245, 1158, 1022, 822, 735

#### **4d.1-(naphthalen-1-yl(4-nitrophenyl)methyl)urea**

Appearance- brown, M.P: 200-202°C

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  (ppm): 10.15 (s, 1H, OH), 7.06-8.42 (m, 13H, Ar-H, NH,  $\text{NH}_2$ ), 5.45 (s, 1H, CH); IR ( $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ):3456, 3216, 1631, 1586, 1509, 1341, 1269, 1214,1160, 1060, 806, 738

#### **4e. 1-((4-chlorophenyl)(naphthalen-1-yl)methyl)urea**

Appearance- yellow solid, M.P: 160-163°C

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  (ppm): 9.75 (s, 1H, OH), 7.06-8.19 (m, 13H, Ar-H, NH,  $\text{NH}_2$ ), 5.42 (s, 1H, CH); IR ( $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3446, 3334, 3231, 1589, 1504, 1459, 1379, 1267, 1160, 950, 816, 744

#### **4f. 1-((4-methoxyphenyl)(naphthalen-1-yl)methyl)urea**

Appearance-white, M.P: 205-208

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  (ppm): 9.86 (s, 1H, OH), 6.70-7.88 (m, 13H, Ar-H, NH,  $\text{NH}_2$ ), 5.42 (s, 1H, CH), 3.76 (s, 3H,  $\text{OCH}_3$ ); IR ( $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ):3448, 3336, 3226, 1627, 1572, 1501, 1443, 1260, 1152, 1065, 808, 571

#### **4g. 2-(naphthalen-1-yl(ureido)methyl)benzoic acid**

Appearance- white, M.P: 176-179°C

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  (ppm): 10.45(s, 1H,  $\text{COOH}$ ), 9.72 (s, 1H, OH), 6.97-7.83 (m, 13H, Ar-H, NH,  $\text{NH}_2$ ), 5.41 (s, 1H, CH);

#### **4h. 1-((4-bromo-2-hydroxyphenyl)(naphthalen-1-yl)methyl)urea**

Appearance- grey sticky solid, M.P: 207-209 °C



$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  (ppm): 10.23(s, 1H, OH), 9.74 (s, 1H, OH), 6.83-7.83 (m, 13H, Ar-H, NH, NH<sub>2</sub>), 5.43 (s, 1H, CH).

**4i. 1-((2-hydroxy-4-methoxyphenyl)(naphthalen-1-yl)methyl)urea**

Appearance- yellow solid, M.P: 198-200°C

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  (ppm): 9.72(s, 1H, OH), 6.62-7.77 (m, 12H, Ar-H, NH, NH<sub>2</sub>), 5.41 (s, 1H, CH), 3.90 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>); IR ( $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ):3339, 3223, 1625, 1581, 1267, 1209, 1161, 897, 803, 748

**4j. N-(naphthalen-1-yl(phenyl)methyl)benzamide**

Appearance- white, M.P: 223-226°C

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  (ppm): 10.01(s, 1H, OH), 7.29-8.53 (m, 17H, Ar-H, NH, NH<sub>2</sub>), 5.49 (s, 1H, CH); IR ( $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3445, 3334, 3220, 1582, 1496, 1451, 1262, 1150, 948, 814, 735

**4k. N-((2-hydroxyphenyl)(naphthalen-1-yl)methyl)benzamide**

Appearance- grey, M.P: 230-234°C

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  (ppm): 9.81 (s, 2H, 2OH), 7.05-8.00 (m, 16H, Ar-H, NH, NH<sub>2</sub>), 5.51 (s, 1H, CH); IR ( $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3462, 3323, 3231, 1603, 1525, 1466, 1231, 1156, 1064, 815, 732, 581

**4l. N-((2-hydroxy-3-methoxyphenyl)(naphthalen-1-yl)methyl)benzamide**

Appearance- grey, M.P: 227-230°C

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  (ppm): 10.28(s, 1H, OH), 9.73(s, 1H, OH), 6.91-7.98 (m, 15H, Ar-H, NH, NH<sub>2</sub>), 5.46 (s, 1H, CH), 3.84 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>); IR ( $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ):3245, 3173, 1635, 1595, 1402, 1211, 946, 810, 731

