

**Electronic Supplementary Information for  
A *trans*-palladium dichloride complex with a bulky organosulfur ligand:  
syntheses, structure, and applications in catalytic alkylation of acetophenone  
and secondary alcohols using alcohols**

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## EXPERIMENTAL SECTION

**General.** The synthesis of the ligand precursor, ligand (**L1**), and palladium complex (**C1**) were performed using standard Schlenk line techniques. HPLC grade solvents, including DMF, MeOH, EtOAc, hexane, DCM, EtOH, CHCl<sub>3</sub>, Toluene and acetone, were employed in the reactions. All solvents were used as received without further purification. 1-Naphthaldehyde (Sigma Aldrich), CDCl<sub>3</sub> (Sigma Aldrich), K'OBu (Sigma Aldrich), PdCl<sub>2</sub>(CH<sub>3</sub>CN)<sub>2</sub> (Sigma Aldrich), Acetophenone (Sigma Aldrich), K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (Spectrochem), NaBH<sub>4</sub> (Spectrochem), SOCl<sub>2</sub> (Spectrochem), Sulfur powder (Spectrochem), Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> (Spectrochem), NaOH (Spectrochem), KOH (Spectrochem), Benzyl alcohol (Spectrochem), 3-bromoacetophenone (Molychem), 3-methoxy acetophenone (Molychem), para methoxy benzyl alcohol (Molychem), and para methyl benzyl alcohol (Molychem) were used as received. The <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectra of the compounds were recorded at ambient temperature using a Bruker 500 MHz instrument. The NMR solvent peaks were referenced as follows (δ, ppm): <sup>1</sup>H, CHCl<sub>3</sub> (7.26); <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H}, CDCl<sub>3</sub> (77.00). The melting point was determined using a Buchi Melting Point B-540 instrument. Infrared spectra were recorded in the 4000–400 cm<sup>-1</sup> region at room temperature using a PerkinElmer FTIR spectrometer. High-resolution mass spectrometry (HRMS) data were obtained with an Agilent Q-TOF LC-MS spectrometer using the electrospray ionization (ESI) method. The reaction progress was monitored by TLC, utilizing 0.25 mm silica gel 60-F254 plates and a UV chamber equipped with 254 nm and 395 nm lamps.

### Crystallography:

A suitable yellow block-shaped crystal of **L1**, along with colorless plate-shaped crystals of **C1**, were selected using a polarizing microscope. These crystals were carefully mounted on a nylon loop using paraffin oil and placed in a cold nitrogen stream maintained at a low temperature of 110.00 K with the help of an Oxford Cryo-system. Crystal screening, unit cell determination, and data collection were conducted on a Bruker Venture diffractometer equipped with a PHOTON III detector.<sup>s1</sup> The diffraction pattern of the crystals was indexed, and strategy calculations from the APEX 3 software (Bruker, 2018) were used to determine the number of runs and images needed for data collection. The process involved φ and ω scans utilizing CuKα radiation, which extended to a maximum resolution of Θ = 70.115° (corresponding to a wavelength of 0.82 Å).<sup>s2</sup> The unit cell parameters were refined using SAINT V8.38A software (Bruker, 2018), based on 9936 reflections,<sup>s3</sup> which represented 33% of the observed reflections. The crystal structure solution and

final refinement parameters for the compound **C1** are detailed in Table s1, along with data for L1.<sup>S4</sup> Additionally, selected bond distances and angles are presented in Table s2, providing important structural insights into the molecular arrangement of these compounds.

**Table s1.** Summary of crystallographic data.

	L1	C1
empirical formula	C <sub>22</sub> H <sub>18</sub> S	C <sub>44</sub> H <sub>36</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> PdS <sub>2</sub>
formula weight	314.42	806.15
temperature [K]	110.0	110.00
Diffractometer	Bruker APEX-II	Bruker Venture (PHOTON III)
wavelength [Å]	0.71073	1.54178
crystal system	orthorhombic	Monoclinic
space group	<i>Ibca</i>	<i>C2/c</i>
unit cell dimensions:		
<i>a</i> [Å]	7.7139(5)	21.9194(7)
<i>b</i> [Å]	15.7197(9)	6.1161(2)
<i>c</i> [Å]	26.6782(16)	26.6465(9)
$\alpha$ [°]	90.00	90
$\beta$ [°]	90.00	90.928(2)
$\gamma$ [°]	90.00	90
<i>V</i> [Å <sup>3</sup> ]	3235.0(3)	3571.8(2)
<i>Z</i>	8	4
$\rho_{\text{calc}}$ [Mg/m <sup>3</sup> ]	1.291	1.499
$\mu$ [mm <sup>-1</sup> ]	0.197	6.898
F(000)	1328	1648
crystal size [mm <sup>3</sup> ]	0.48×0.45×0.39	0.36×0.13×0.01
θ limit[°]	2.591 to 30.593	3.317 to 70.115
index range ( <i>h</i> , <i>k</i> , <i>l</i> )	-11, 10, -22, 22, -38, 37	-26, 26, -7, 7, -32, 32
reflections collected	26735	30433
independent reflections	9951	9936
<i>R</i> (int)	0.0445	0.0247
max. and min. transmission	0.928 and 0.911	0.910 and 0.189
data/restraints/parameters	2493/0/ 105	3400/0/ 223
goodness-of-fit on <i>F</i> <sup>2</sup>	1.030	1.065
<i>R</i> indices (final) [ <i>I</i> > 2σ( <i>I</i> )]		
<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub>	0.0445	0.0247
<i>wR</i> <sub>1</sub>	0.1107	0.0672
<i>R</i> indices (all data)		
<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub>	0.0608	0.0251
<i>wR</i> <sub>2</sub>	0.1202	0.0676
largest diff. peak and hole [eÅ <sup>-3</sup> ]	0.389 and -0.272	0.363 and -0.459

**Table s2.** Key crystallographic distances [Å] and angles [°].

C1	
Bond	Length (Å)
Pd(1)—S(1)	2.3127(4)
Pd(1)—S(2)	2.3128(4)
Pd(1)—Cl(1)	2.2930(4)
Pd(1)—Cl(2)	2.2931(4)
S(1)—Cl(1)	1.8363(19)
S(2)—Cl(2)	1.8294(18)

C1	
Bond	Angle (deg.)
S(2)—Pd(1)—S(1)	180.0
Cl(1)—Pd(1)—S(2)	82.975(15)
Cl(2)—Pd(1)—S(2)	97.025(15)
Cl(1)—Pd(1)—S(1)	97.026(15)
Cl(2)—Pd(1)—S(1)	82.974(15)
Cl(1)—Pd(1)—Cl(2)	180.0

## Copies of spectral data

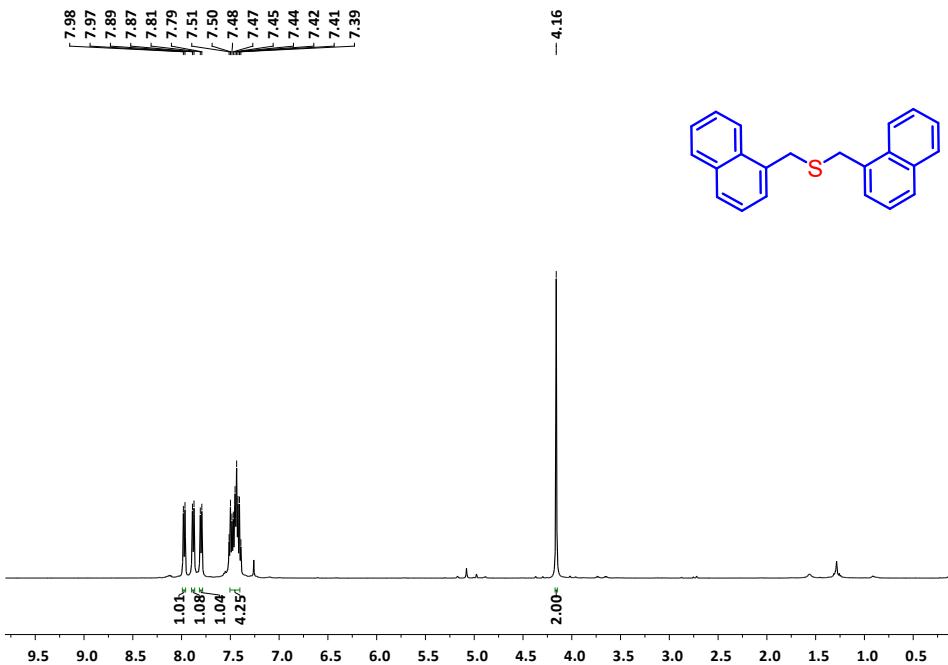


Figure s1. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of L1.

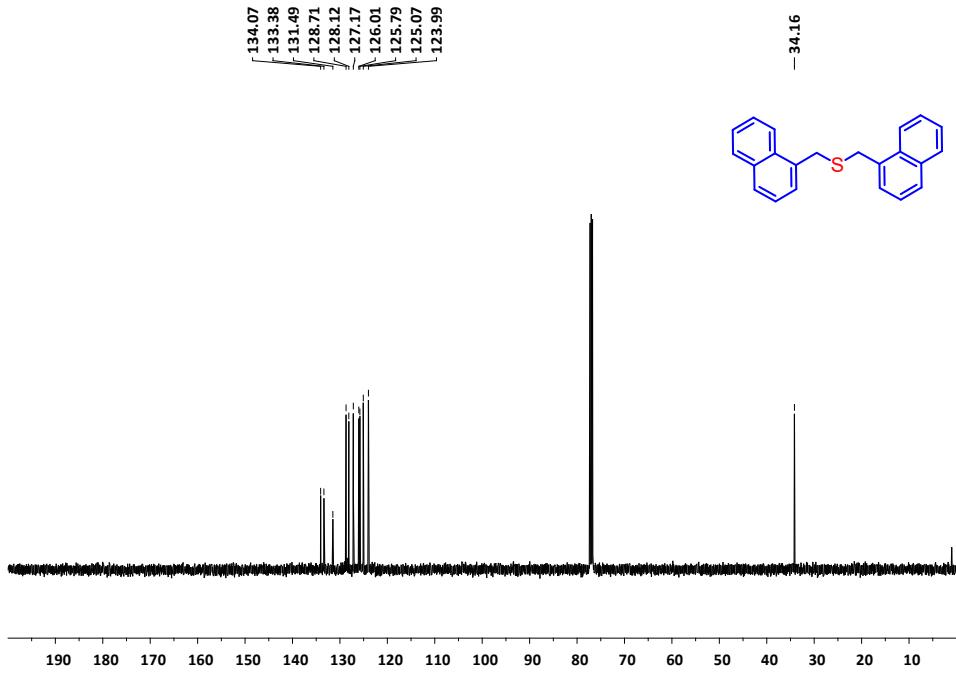
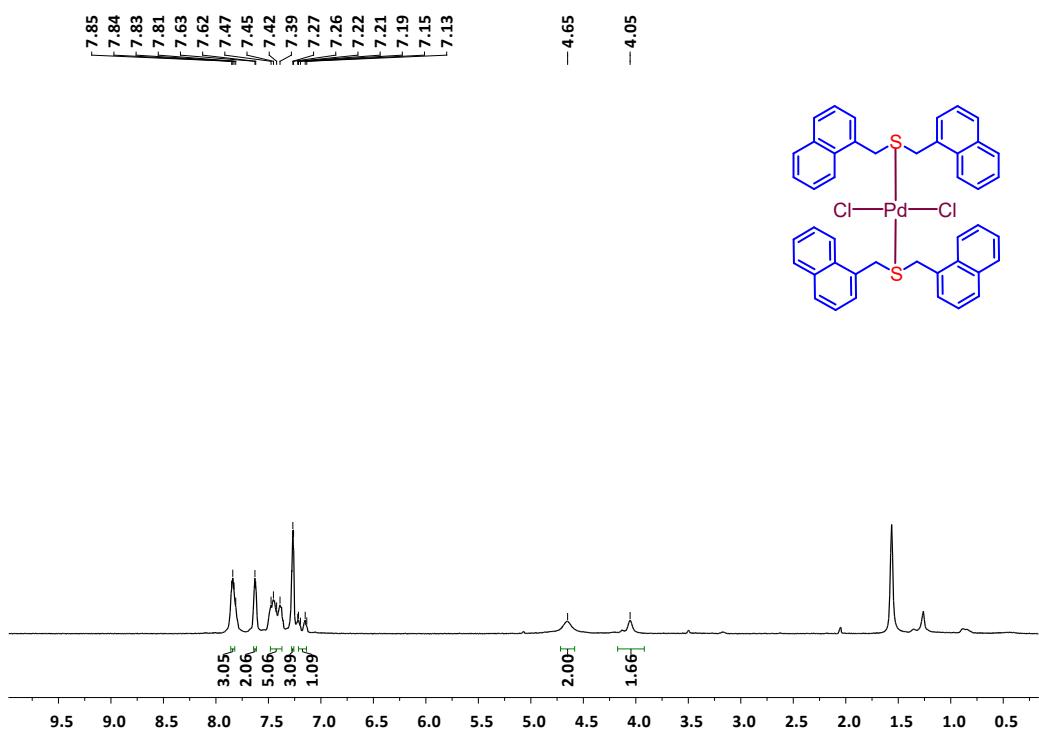
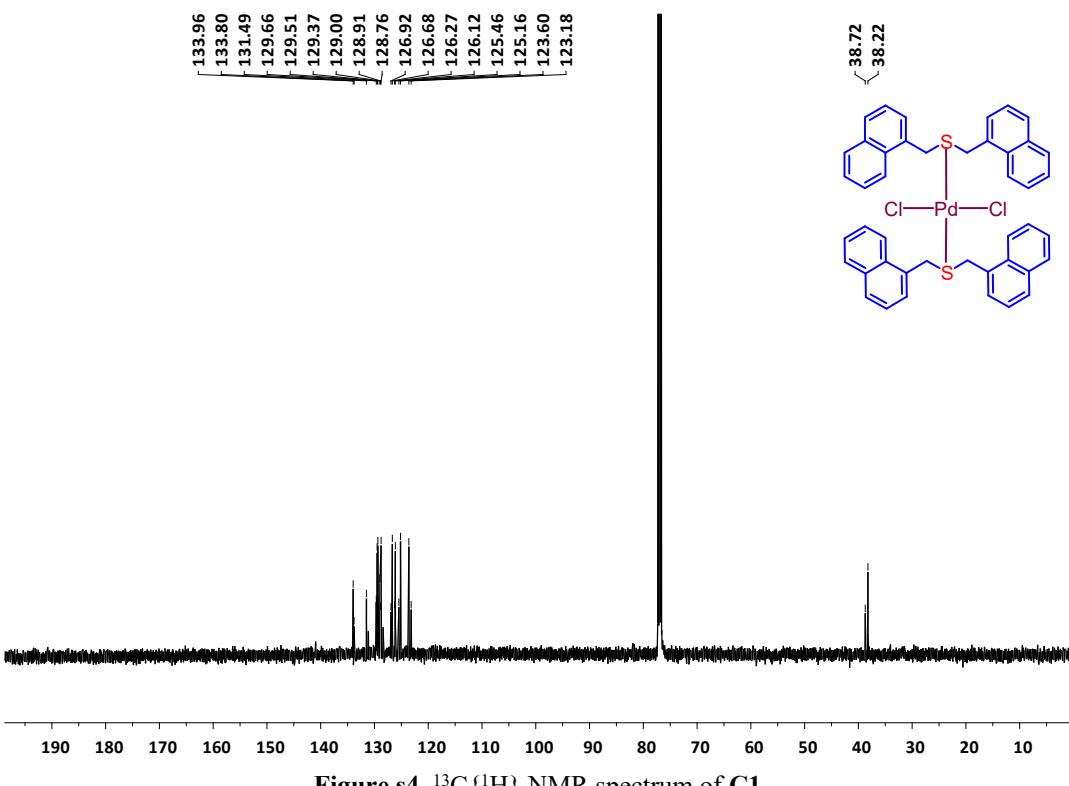


Figure s2. <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectrum of L1.



**Figure s3.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of C1.



**Figure s4.**  $^{13}\text{C}\{\text{H}\}$  NMR spectrum of C1.

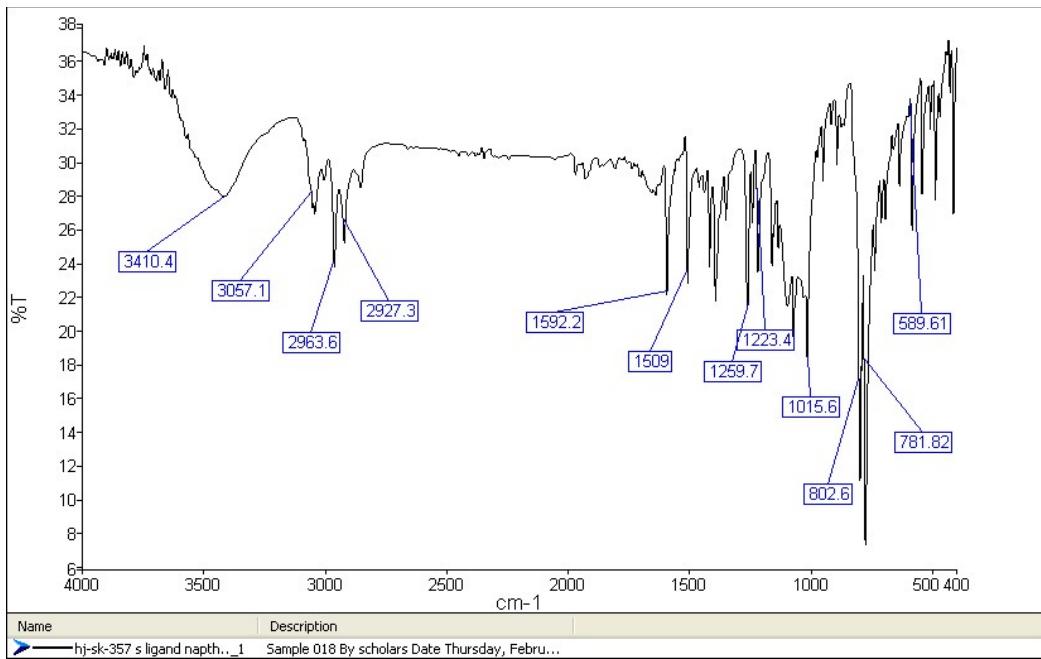


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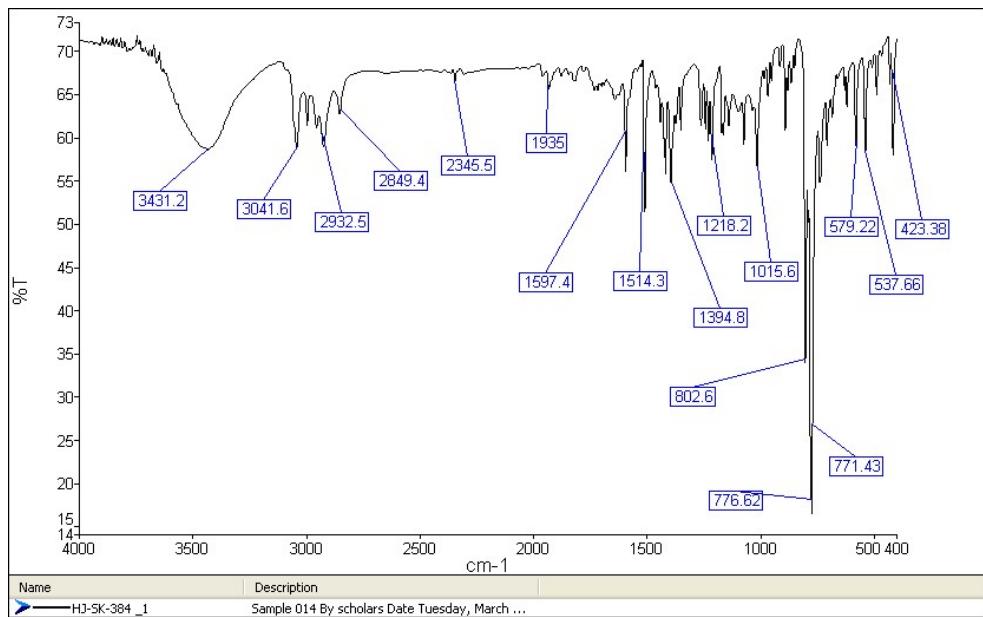
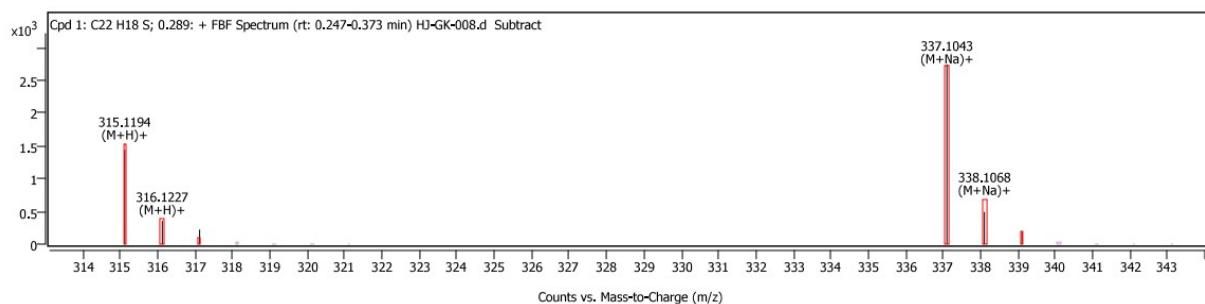


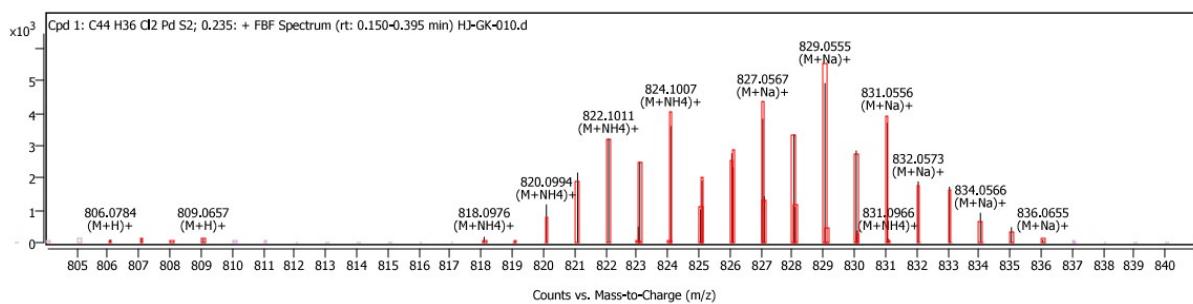
Figure s6. FTIR spectrum of C1.

*Compound Spectra*



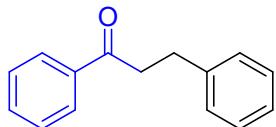
**Figure s7.** HRMS of L1.

*Compound Spectra*

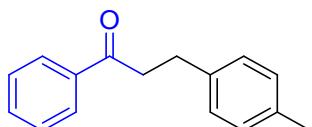


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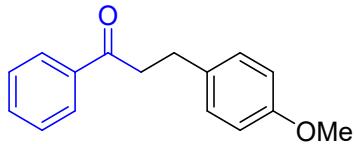
**Spectroscopic Data of Products (<sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H}) :**



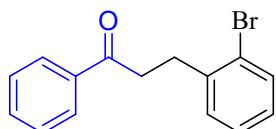
**1,3-diphenylpropan-1-one (3aa)**<sup>s5, s6</sup> Yellow liquid, 89%, **NMR** ( $CDCl_3$ ,  $\delta$ /ppm):  $^1H$  (500 MHz): 7.98 (d,  $J = 7$  Hz, 2H), 7.57 (t,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.47 (t,  $J = 8$  Hz, 2H), 7.22 – 7.35 (m, 5H), 3.33 (t,  $J = 7$  Hz, 2H), 3.10 (t,  $J = 8$  Hz 2H),  $^{13}C\{^1H\}$  **NMR** (125 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ )  $\delta$ : 199.1 (s), 141.2 (s), 136.8 (s), 132.9 (s), 128.5 (s), 128.4 (s), 128.3 (s), 127.9 (s), 126.0 (s), 40.3 (s), 30.0 (s).



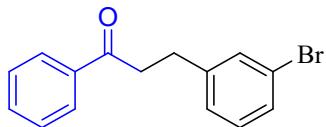
**1-phenyl-3-(p-tolyl)propan-1-one (3ab)**<sup>s5, s6</sup> Yellow liquid, 73%, **NMR** ( $CDCl_3$ ,  $\delta$ /ppm):  $^1H$  (500 MHz): 7.98 (d,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 2H), 7.57 (t,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.47 (t,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 2H), 7.16 (dd,  $J = 19.7, 7.8$  Hz, 4H), 3.31 (t,  $J = 8$  Hz, 2H), 3.06 (t,  $J = 9$  Hz, 2H), 2.35 (s, 3H),  $^{13}C\{^1H\}$  **NMR** (125 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ )  $\delta$ : 199.2 (s), 138.1 (s), 136.8 (s), 135.5 (s), 132.9 (s), 129.6 (s), 129.3 (s), 129.1 (s), 128.5 (s), 128.2 (s), 128.0, 40.5 (s), 29.7 (s), 20.9 (s).



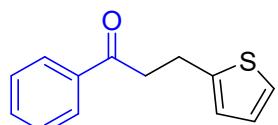
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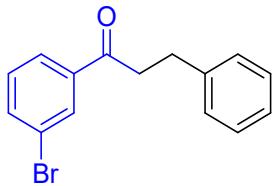
**3-(2-bromophenyl)-1-phenylpropan-1-one (3ad)**<sup>s5</sup> Yellow liquid, 76%, **NMR** ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\delta/\text{ppm}$ ):  $^1\text{H}$  (500 MHz): 7.98 (d,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 2H), 7.56 (t,  $J = 8.5$  Hz, 2H), 7.46 (t,  $J = 7$  Hz, 2H), 7.32 (d,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.24 (dd,  $J = 7.5, 1.1$  Hz, 1H), 7.07-7.10 (m, 1H), 3.32 (t,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 2H), 3.19 (t,  $J = 8$  Hz, 2H),  $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ : 198.9 (s), 140.5 (s), 136.7 (s), 133.1 (s), 132.9 (s), 130.8 (s), 128.6 (s), 128.0 (s), 127.9 (s), 127.6 (s), 124.3 (s), 38.6 (s), 30.8 (s).



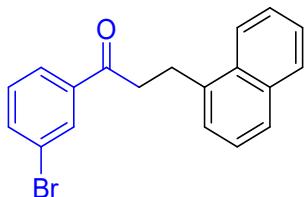
**3-(3-bromophenyl)-1-phenylpropan-1-one (3ae)**, Yellow liquid, 81%, **NMR** ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\delta/\text{ppm}$ ):  $^1\text{H}$  (500 MHz): 7.96 (d,  $J = 7$  Hz, 2H), 7.57 (t,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.46 (t,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 2H), 7.41 (s, 1H), 7.33-7.35 (m, 1H), 7.14-7.20 (m, 2H), 3.29 (t,  $J = 8$  Hz, 2H), 3.04 (t,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 2H),  $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ : 198.6 (s), 143.6 (s), 136.6 (s), 133.1 (s), 131.4 (s), 130.0 (s), 129.2 (s), 128.6 (s), 127.9 (s), 127.1 (s), 122.5 (s), 39.9 (s), 29.5 (s).



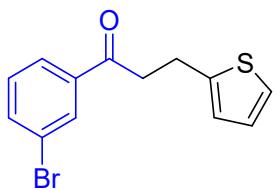
**1-phenyl-3-(thiophen-2-yl)propan-1-one (3af)**<sup>s6</sup> Yellow liquid, 77%, **NMR** ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\delta/\text{ppm}$ ):  $^1\text{H}$  (500 MHz): 7.97 (d,  $J = 7$  Hz, 2H), 7.57 (t,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.47 (t,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 2H), 7.13 (dd,  $J = 4$  Hz,  $J = 1$  Hz, 1H), 6.92-6.93 (m, 1H), 6.86-6.87 (m, 1H), 3.36-3.39 (m, 2H), 3.29-3.32 (m, 2H),  $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ : 198.5 (s), 143.9 (s), 136.7 (s), 133.1 (s), 128.6 (s), 128.0 (s), 126.8 (s), 124.6 (s), 123.3 (s), 40.5 (s), 24.1 (s).



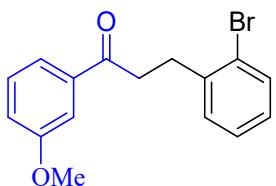
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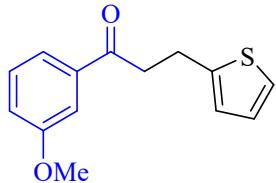
**1-(3-bromophenyl)-3-(naphthalen-1-yl)propan-1-one (3bg)**, Yellow liquid, 73%, **NMR** ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\delta/\text{ppm}$ ):  $^1\text{H}$  (500 MHz): 8.07 (t,  $J = 1.6$  Hz, 1H), 8.03 (d,  $J = 8.3$  Hz, 1H), 7.85-7.89 (m, 2H), 7.66-7.76 (m, 2H), 7.40-7.52 (m, 4H), 7.32 (t,  $J = 7.9$  Hz, 1H), 3.53 (t,  $J = 7$  Hz, 2H), 3.40 (t,  $J = 8.5$  Hz, 2H),  $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$  **NMR** (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ : 197.9 (s), 138.5 (s), 136.9 (s), 135.9 (s), 134.0 (s), 131.2 (s), 130.2 (s), 129.0 (s), 128.9 (s), 127.1 (s), 126.8 (s), 126.5 (s), 126.2 (s), 126.1 (s), 125.6 (s), 123.3 (s), 123.0 (s), 39.9 (s), 26.0 (s).



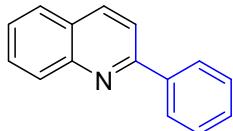
**1-(3-bromophenyl)-3-(thiophen-2-yl)propan-1-one (3bf)**, Yellow liquid, 79%, **NMR** ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\delta/\text{ppm}$ ):  $^1\text{H}$  (500 MHz): 8.09 (t,  $J = 1.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.88 (d,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 1H), 7.68-7.70 (m, 1H), 7.34 (t,  $J = 7.9$  Hz, 1H), 7.13 (dd,  $J = 5.1, 1.1$  Hz, 1H), 6.92 (dd,  $J = 5.1, 3.5$  Hz, 1H), 6.86 (d,  $J = 2.6$  Hz, 1H), 3.27-3.35 (m, 4H),  $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$  **NMR** (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ : 197.2 (s), 143.4 (s), 138.6 (s), 136.0 (s), 131.1 (s), 130.2 (s), 126.9 (s), 126.5 (s), 124.8 (s), 123.5 (s), 123.1 (s), 40.6 (s), 24.0 (s).



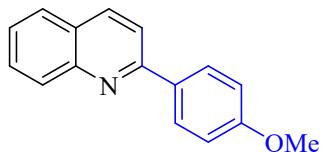
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**1-(3-methoxyphenyl)-3-(thiophen-2-yl)propan-1-one (3cf),** Yellow liquid, 76%, **NMR** ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\delta/\text{ppm}$ ):  **$^1\text{H}$**  (500 MHz): 7.54 (d,  $J = 7.5 \text{ Hz}$ , 1H), 7.50 – 7.49 (m, 1H), 7.37 (t,  $J = 7.9 \text{ Hz}$ , 1H), 7.10-7.13 (m, 2H), 6.92 (dd,  $J = 5.1, 3.5 \text{ Hz}$ , 1H), 6.86 (d,  $J = 2.6 \text{ Hz}$ , 1H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 3.34 (t,  $J = 7 \text{ Hz}$ , 2H), 3.29 (t,  $J = 7 \text{ Hz}$ , 2H),  **$^{13}\text{C}\{\text{H}\}$  NMR** (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ : 198.6 (s), 160.0 (s), 144.0 (s), 138.4 (s), 129.6 (s), 126.8 (s), 124.7 (s), 123.4 (s), 120.7 (s), 119.6 (s), 112.2 (s), 55.9 (s), 39.9 (s), 24.3 (s).

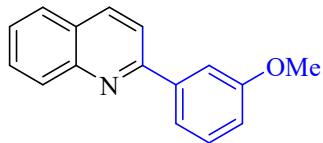


**2-phenylquinoline (6aa)**<sup>s7, s8</sup> white solid, 93%, **NMR** ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\delta/\text{ppm}$ ):  **$^1\text{H}$**  (500 MHz): 8.25 – 8.16 (m, 4H), 7.89 (d,  $J = 8.6 \text{ Hz}$ , 1H), 7.84 (d,  $J = 8.1 \text{ Hz}$ , 1H), 7.74 (t,  $J = 7.7 \text{ Hz}$ , 1H), 7.54 (t,  $J = 7.5 \text{ Hz}$ , 3H), 7.47 (t,  $J = 7.3 \text{ Hz}$ , 1H),  **$^{13}\text{C}\{\text{H}\}$  NMR** (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ : 157.3 (s), 148.1 (s), 139.5 (s), 136.9 (s), 129.7 (s), 129.6 (s), 129.4 (s), 128.8 (s), 127.6 (s), 127.4 (s), 127.2 (s), 126.3 (s), 119.0 (s).

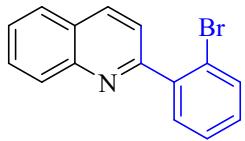


**2-(4-methoxyphenyl)quinoline (6ba)**<sup>s7, s8</sup> white solid, 89%, **NMR** ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\delta/\text{ppm}$ ):  **$^1\text{H}$**  (500 MHz): 8.19 – 8.13 (m, 4H), 7.82 (dd,  $J = 15.9, 8.4 \text{ Hz}$ , 2H), 7.71 (t,  $J = 7.6 \text{ Hz}$ , 1H), 7.50 (t,  $J = 7.5 \text{ Hz}$ , 1H), 7.05 (d,  $J = 8.8 \text{ Hz}$ , 2H), 3.89 (s, 3H),  **$^{13}\text{C}\{\text{H}\}$  NMR** (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ : 160.8 (s),

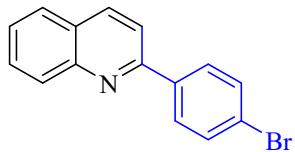
156.9 (s), 148.5 (s), 136.7 (s), 132.2 (s), 129.6 (s), 129.4 (s), 128.9 (s), 127.4 (s), 126.9 (s), 125.9 (s), 118.5 (s), 114.2 (s), 55.4 (s).



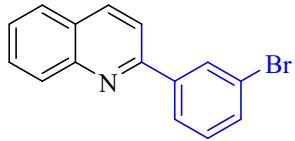
**2-(3-methoxyphenyl)quinoline (6ca)**<sup>s7, s8</sup> white solid, 87%, **NMR** ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\delta/\text{ppm}$ ):  $^1\text{H}$  (500 MHz): 8.20 (t,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 2H), 7.85 (d,  $J = 8.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.83 – 7.79 (m, 2H), 7.75 – 7.71 (m, 2H), 7.53 (t,  $J = 7.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.44 (t,  $J = 7.9$  Hz, 1H), 7.03 (dd,  $J = 8.1, 2.1$  Hz, 1H), 3.93 (s, 3H),  $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$  **NMR** (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ : 160.0 (s), 157.0 (s), 148.1 (s), 141.0 (s), 136.7 (s), 129.7 (s), 129.6 (s), 129.5 (s), 127.4 (s), 127.1 (s), 126.2 (s), 119.9 (s), 119.0 (s), 115.3 (s), 112.6 (s), 55.3 (s).



**2-(2-bromophenyl)quinoline (6da)**, white solid, 74%, **NMR** ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\delta/\text{ppm}$ ):  $^1\text{H}$  (500 MHz): 8.23 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 1H), 8.18 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.88 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.77 – 7.74 (m, 1H), 7.71 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 2H), 7.64 (d,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.59 (t,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.46 (t,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.31 (t,  $J = 7.0$  Hz, 1H),  $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$  **NMR** (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ : 166.5 (s), 158.7 (s), 147.9 (s), 141.6 (s), 135.7 (s), 133.3 (s), 131.6 (s), 129.9 (s), 129.7 (s), 127.7 (s), 127.6 (s), 127.1 (s), 126.8 (s), 122.7 (s), 121.9 (s).

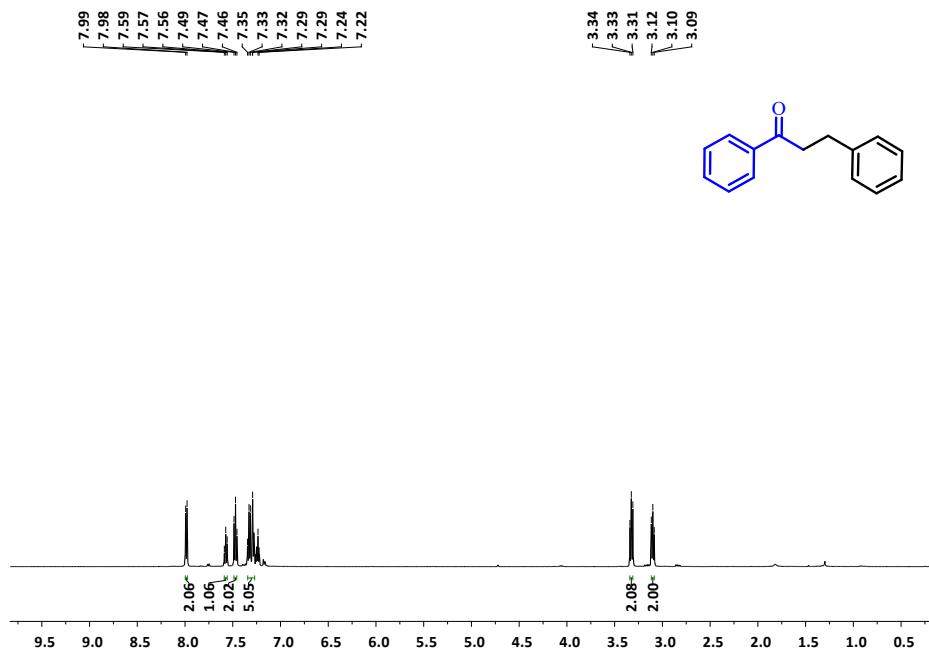


**2-(4-bromophenyl) quinoline (6ea)**<sup>s7</sup> white solid, 90 %, **NMR** ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\delta/\text{ppm}$ ):  $^1\text{H}$  (500 MHz): 8.26-8.18 (m, 2H), 8.09 – 8.05 (m, 2H), 7.86-7.83 (m, 2H), 7.78-7.74 (m, 1H), 7.69-7.65 (m, 2H), 7.59-7.53 (m, 1H),  $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$  **NMR** (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ : 156.0 (s), 148.1 (s), 138.3 (s), 137.0 (s), 132.1 (s), 129.9 (s), 129.5 (s), 129.1 (s), 127.5 (s), 127.2 (s), 126.6 (s), 124.0 (s), 118.5 (s).

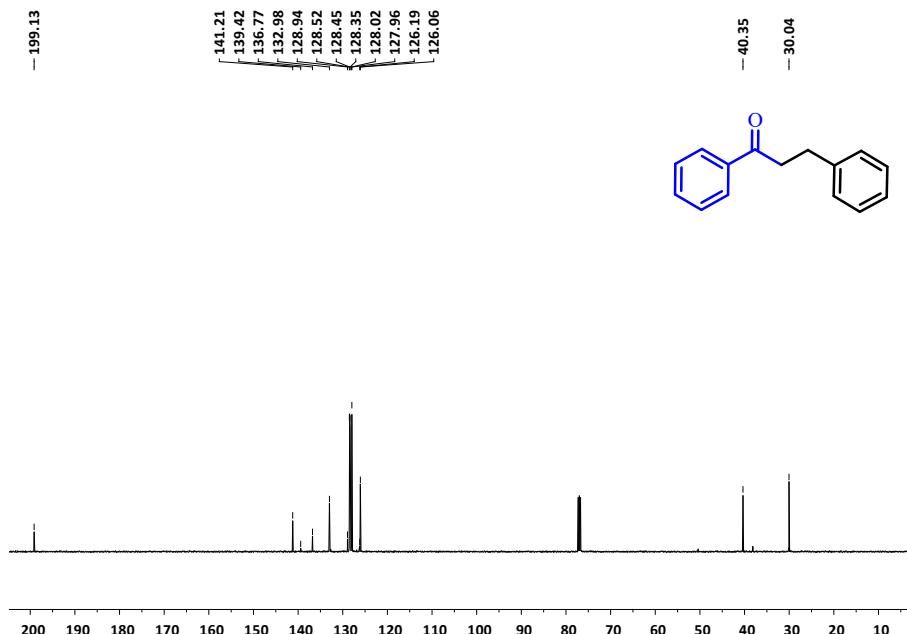


**2-(3-bromophenyl)quinoline (6fa)**<sup>s7</sup> white solid, 88%, **NMR** ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\delta/\text{ppm}$ ):  $^1\text{H}$  (500 MHz):

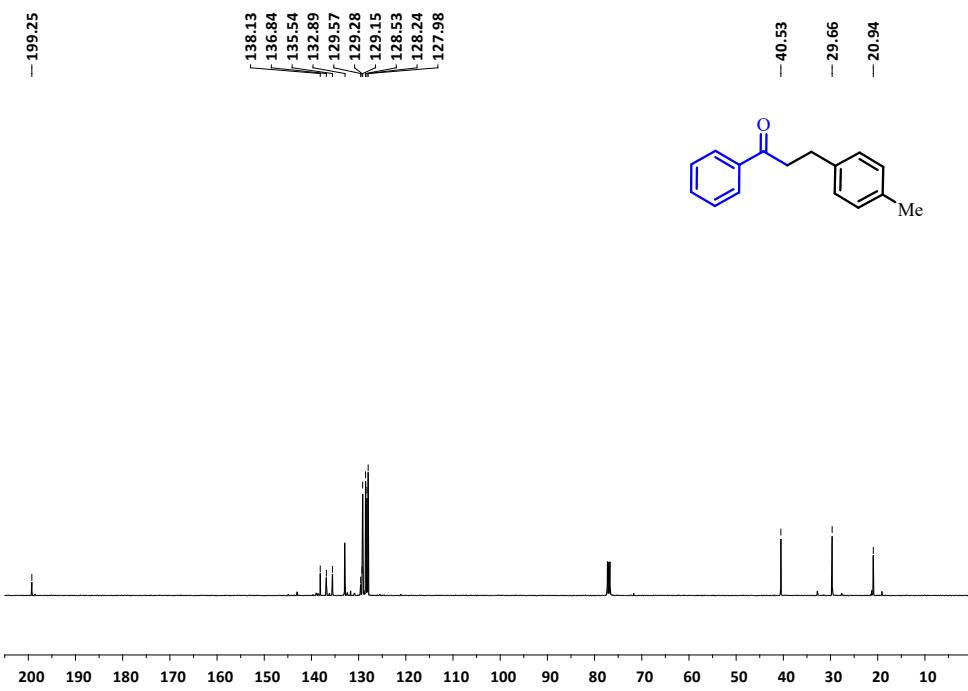
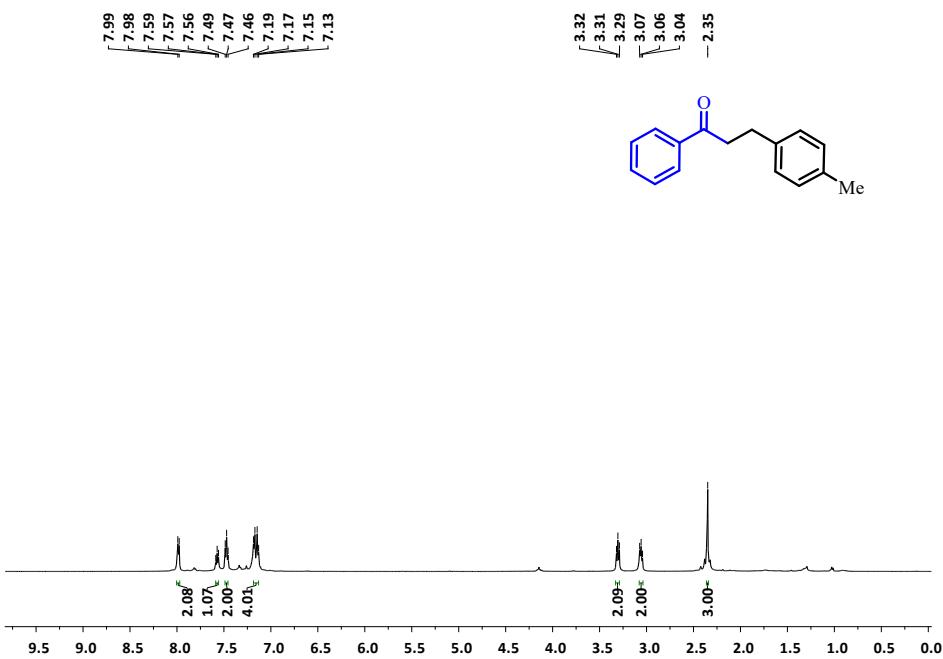
8.25-8.17 (m, 4H), 7.90 – 7.88 (m, 1H), 7.84 (d,  $J$  = 8 Hz, 1H), 7.75-7.72 (m, 1H), 7.55-7.53 (m, 2H), 7.49-7.46 (m, 1H),  $^{13}\text{C}\{\text{H}\}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ : 157.3 (s), 148.2 (s), 145.8 (s), 139.6 (s), 138.3 (s), 136.8 (s), 133.8 (s), 129.7 (s), 129.3 (s), 128.8 (s), 127.6 (s), 127.4 (s), 127.2 (s), 126.3 (s), 119.0 (s).

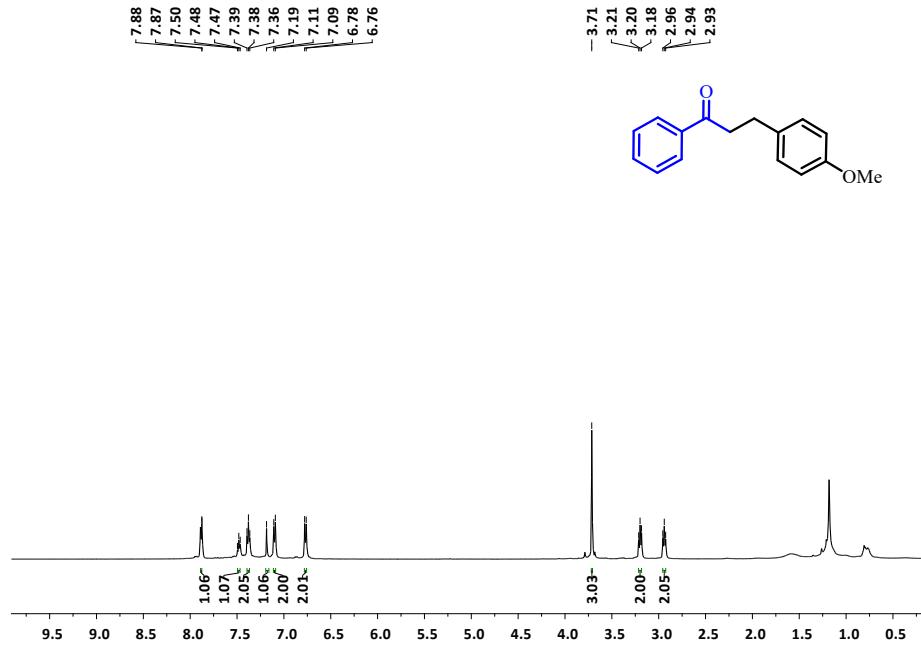


**Figure s9.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of 3aa.

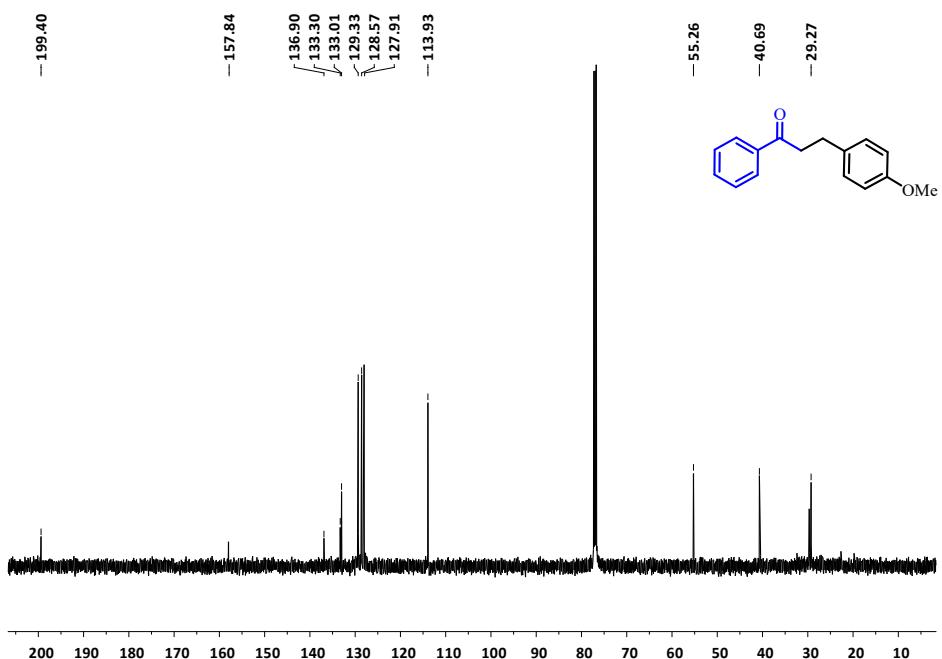


**Figure s10.**  $^{13}\text{C}\{\text{H}\}$  NMR spectrum of 3aa.

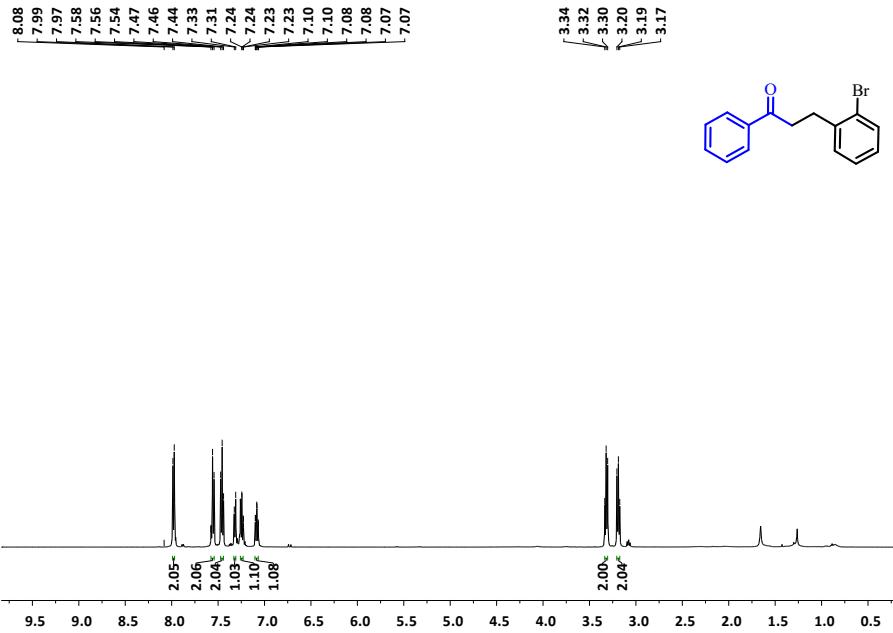




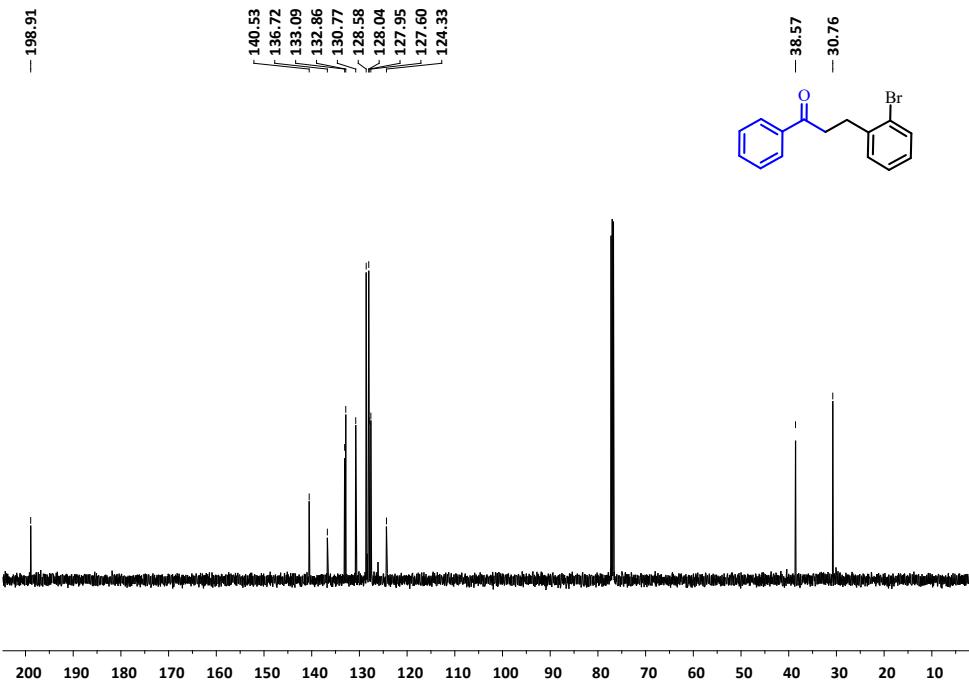
**Figure s13.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of 3ac.



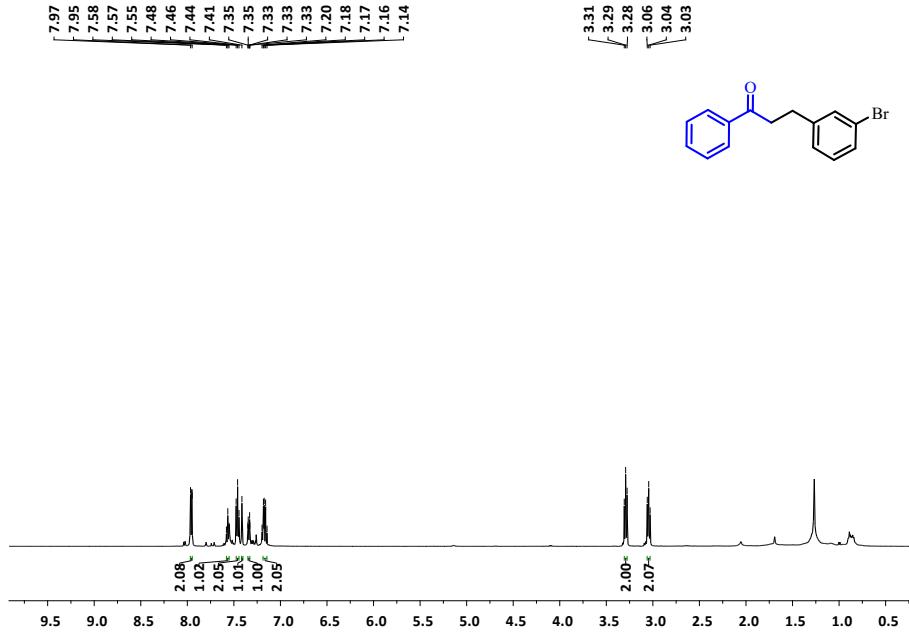
**Figure s14.**  $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$  NMR spectrum of 3ac.



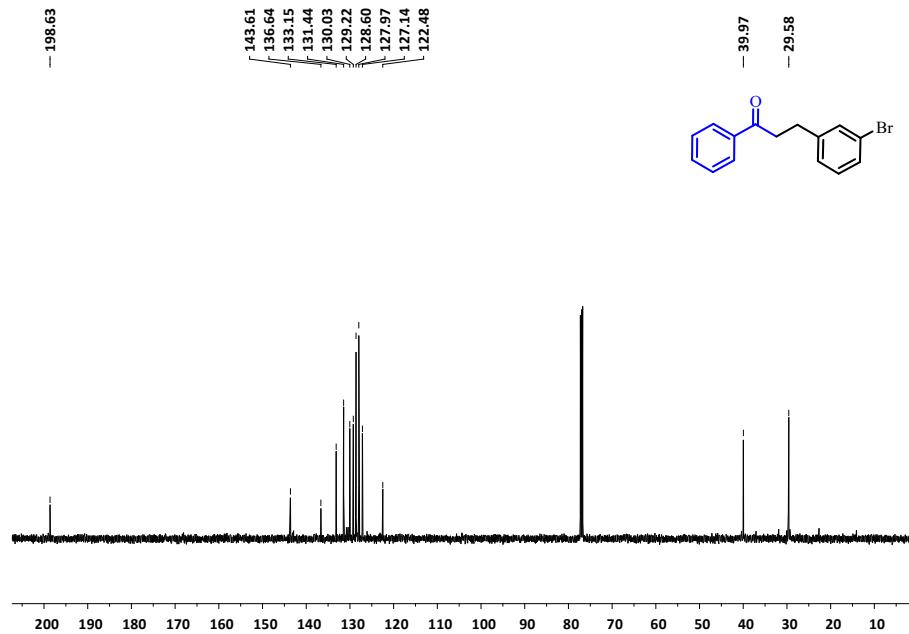
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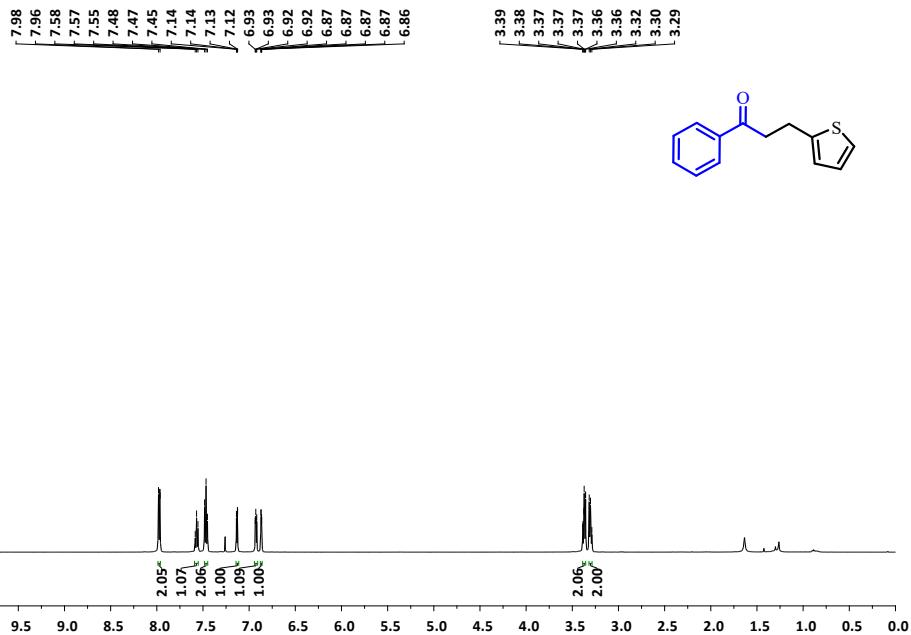
**Figure s16.**  $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$  NMR spectrum of 3ad.



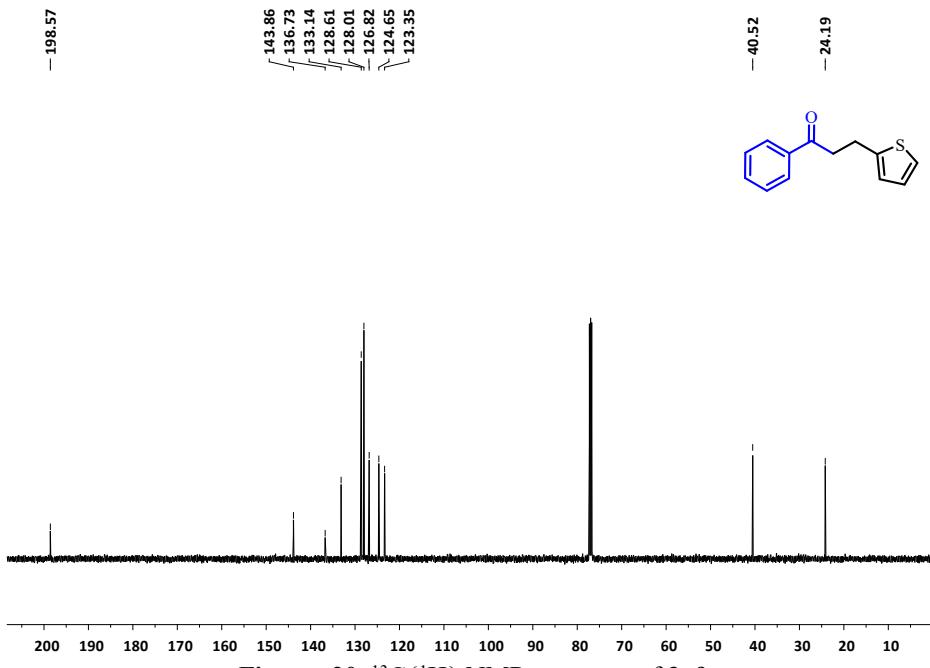
**Figure s17.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of **3ae**.



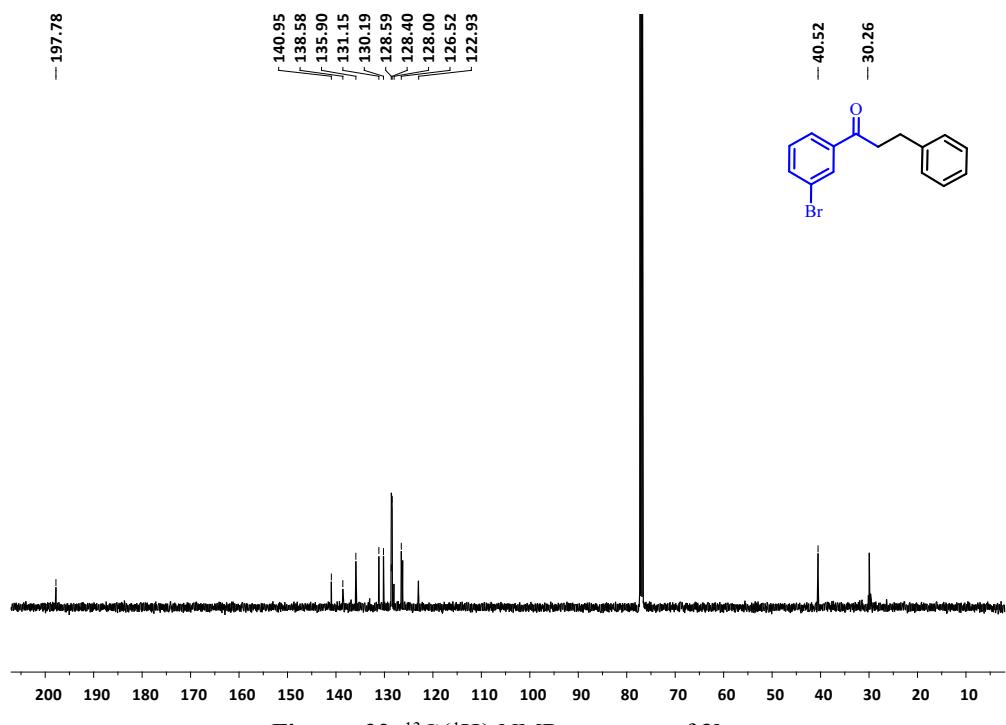
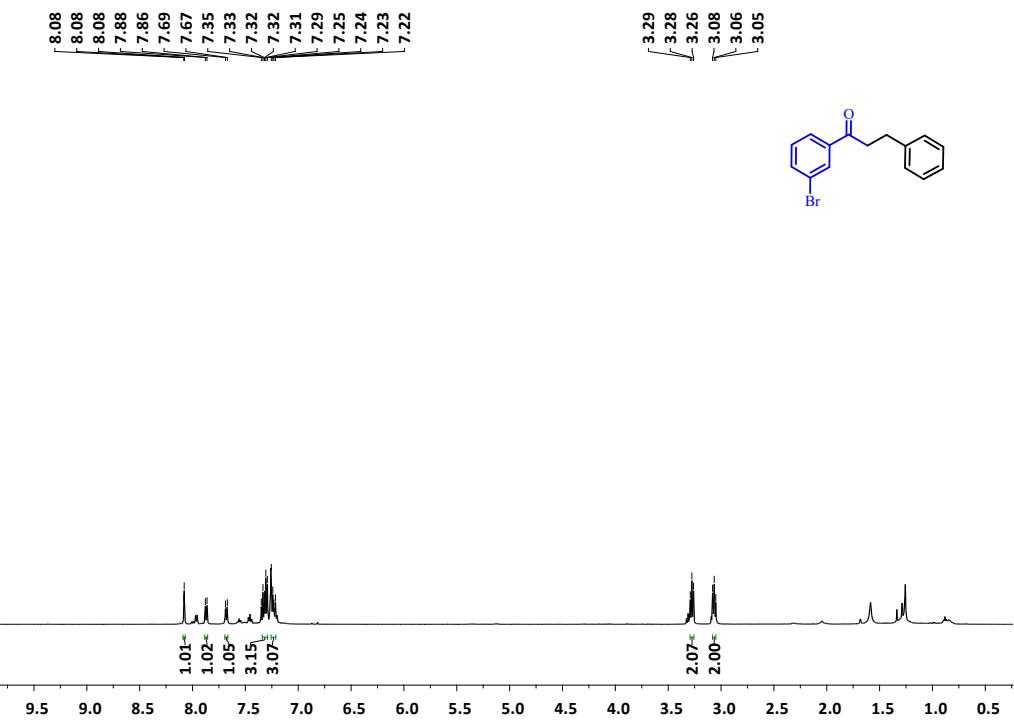
**Figure s18.**  $^{13}\text{C}\{\text{H}\}$  NMR spectrum of **3ae**.

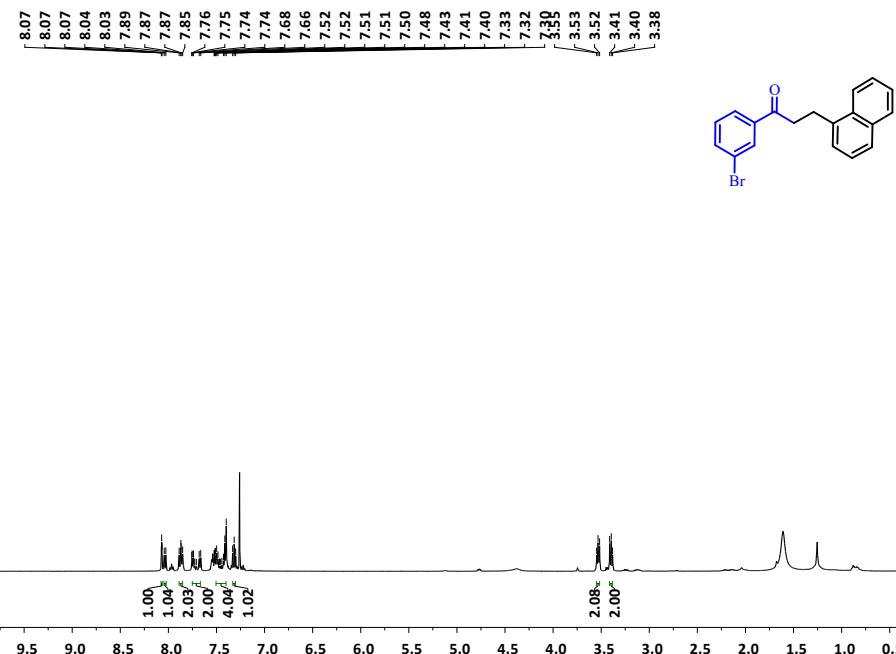


**Figure s19.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of 3af.

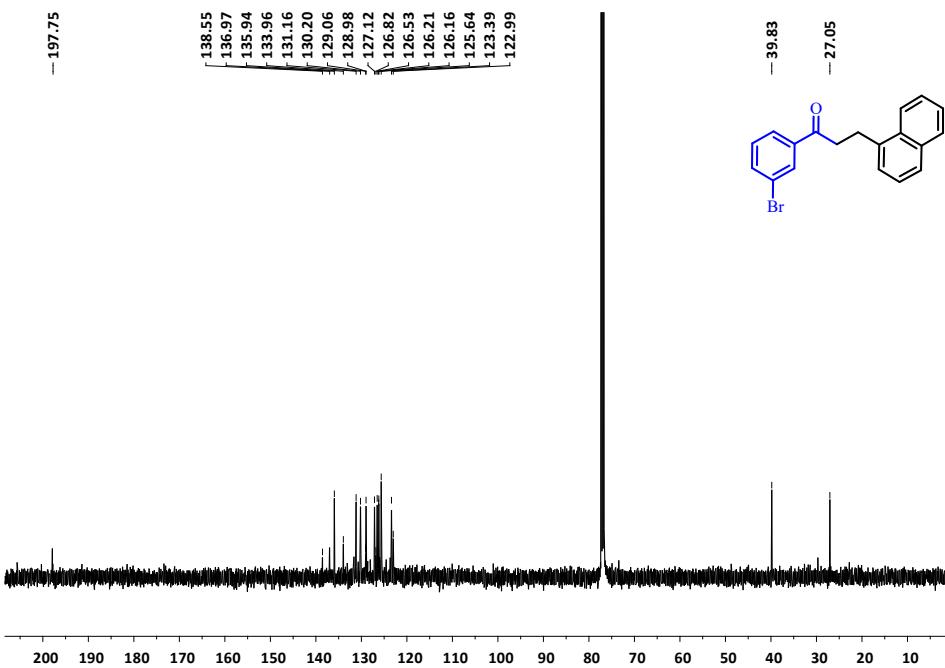


**Figure s20.** <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectrum of 3af.

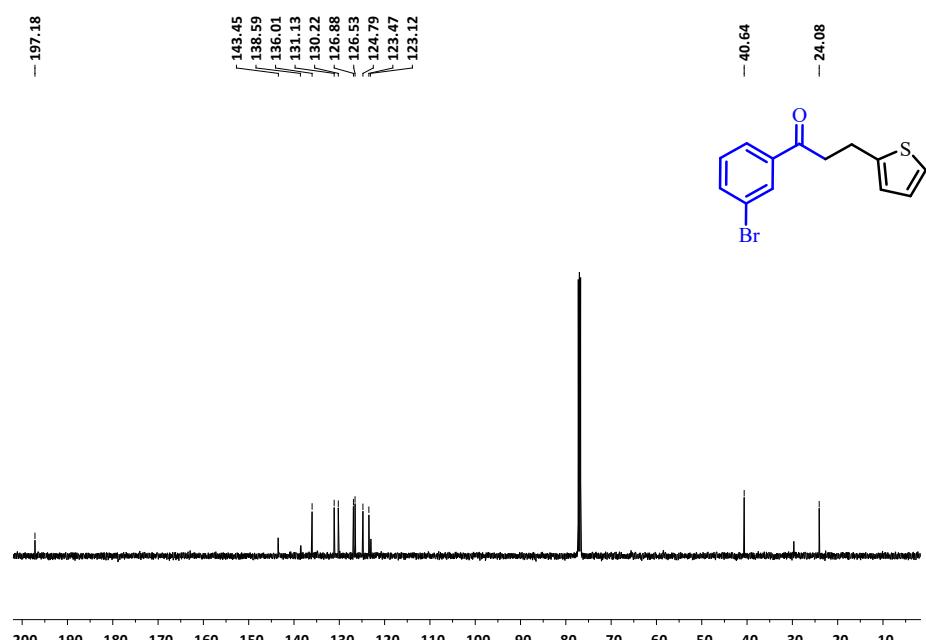
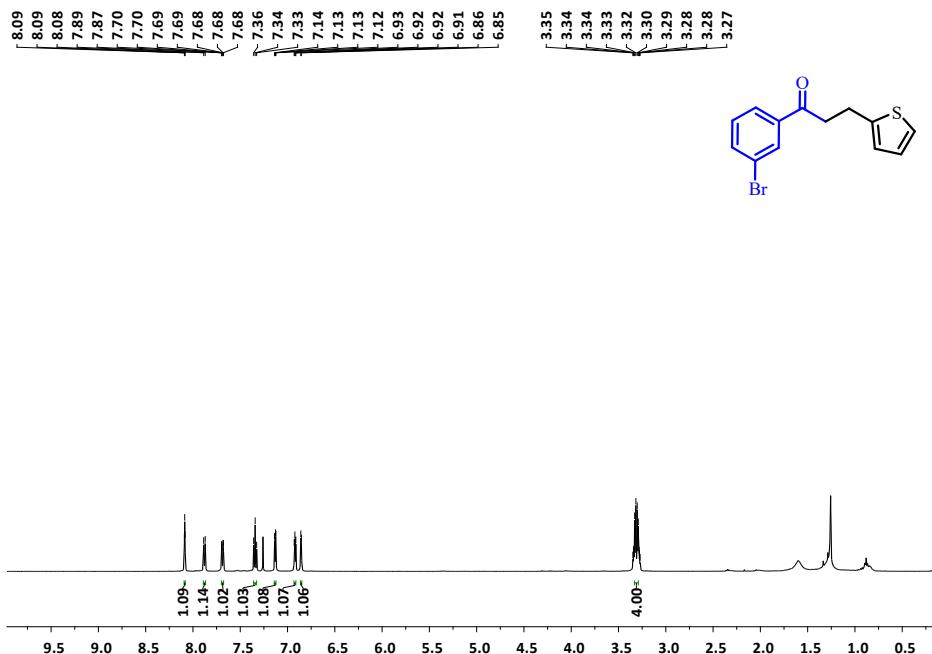


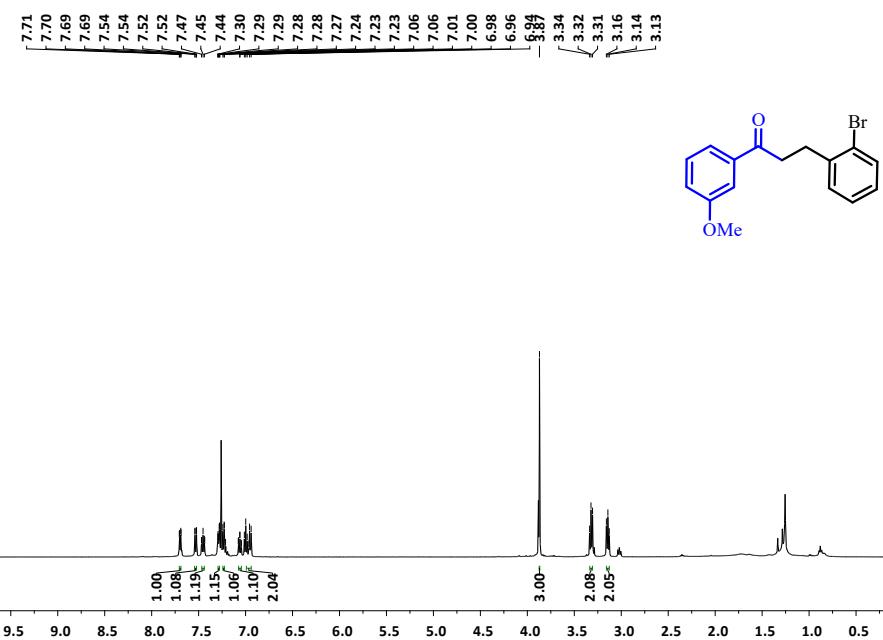


**Figure s23.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of **3bg**.

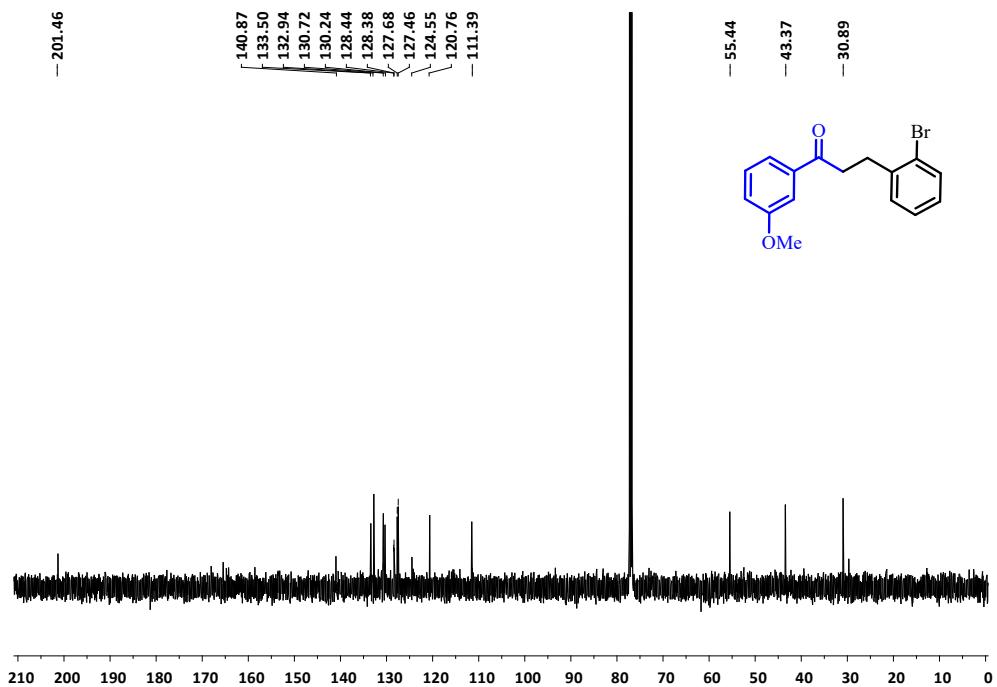


**Figure s24.**  $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$  NMR spectrum of **3bg**.

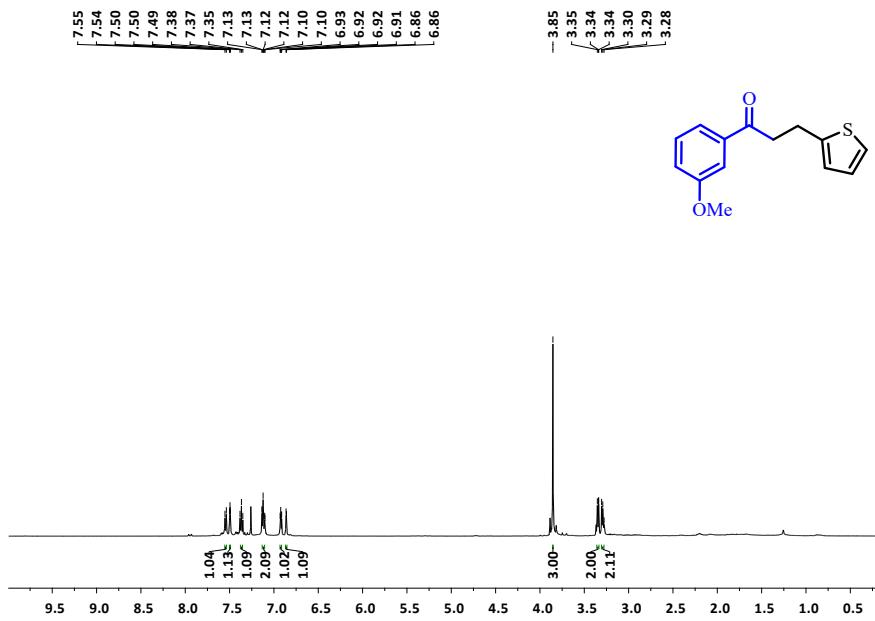




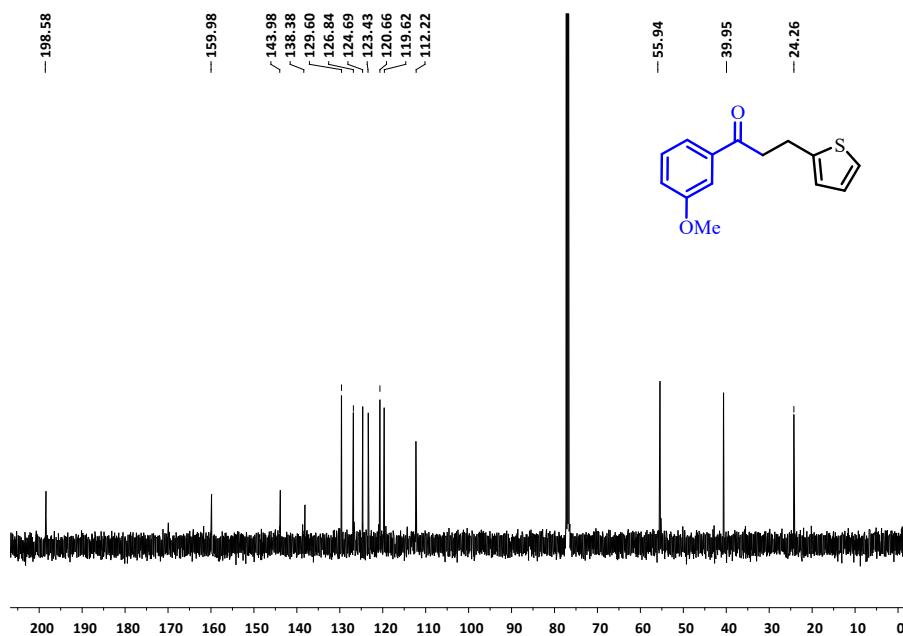
**Figure s27.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of 3ca.



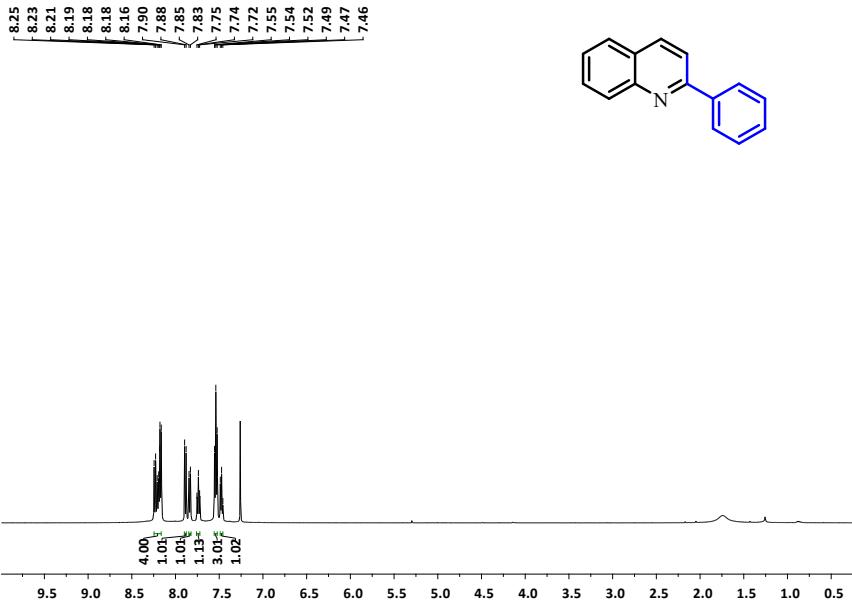
**Figure s28.**  $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$  NMR spectrum of 3ca.



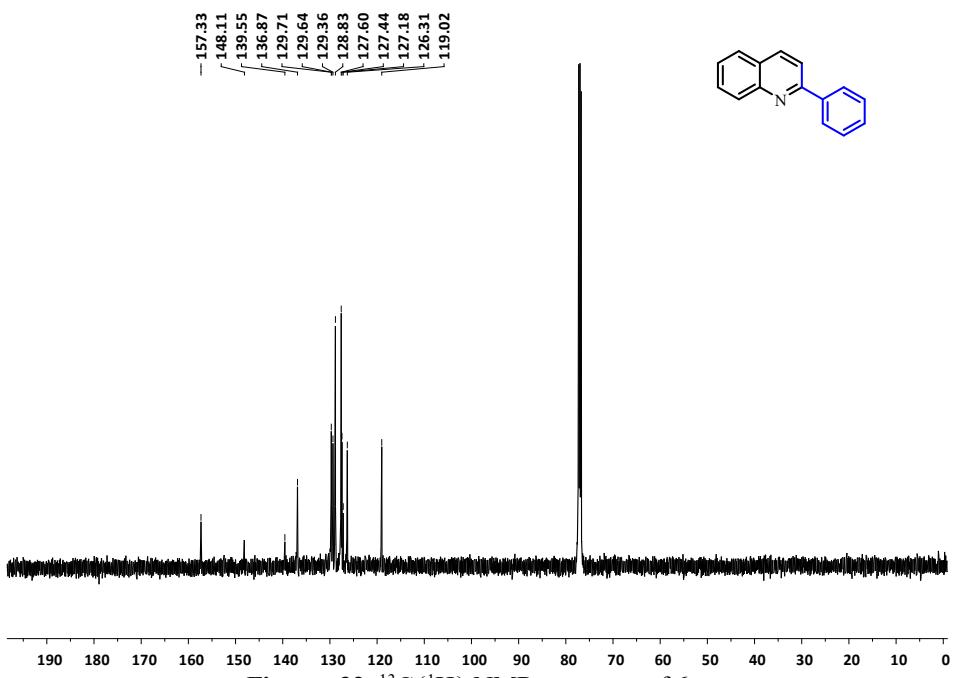
**Figure s29.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of 3cf.



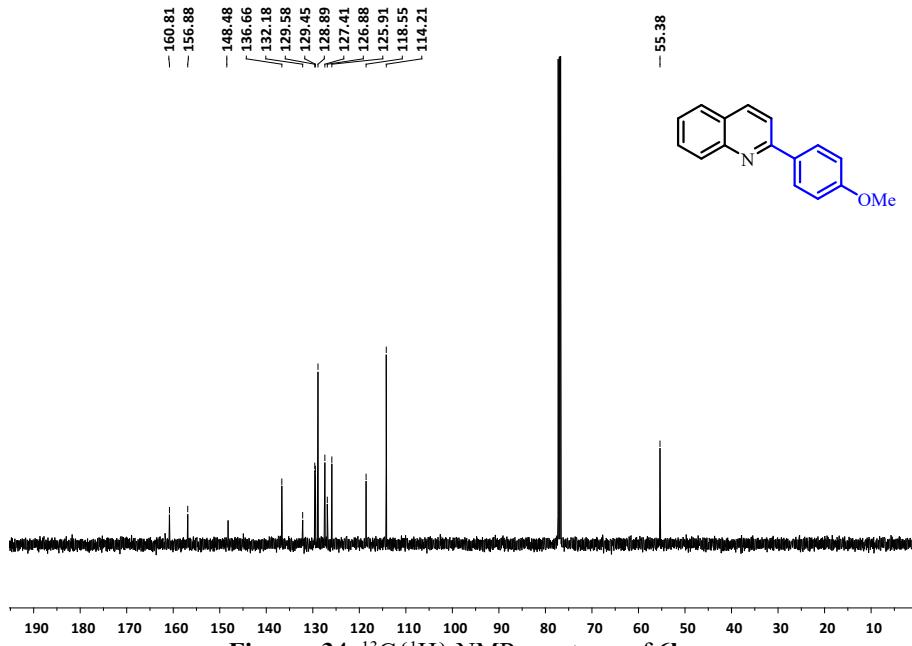
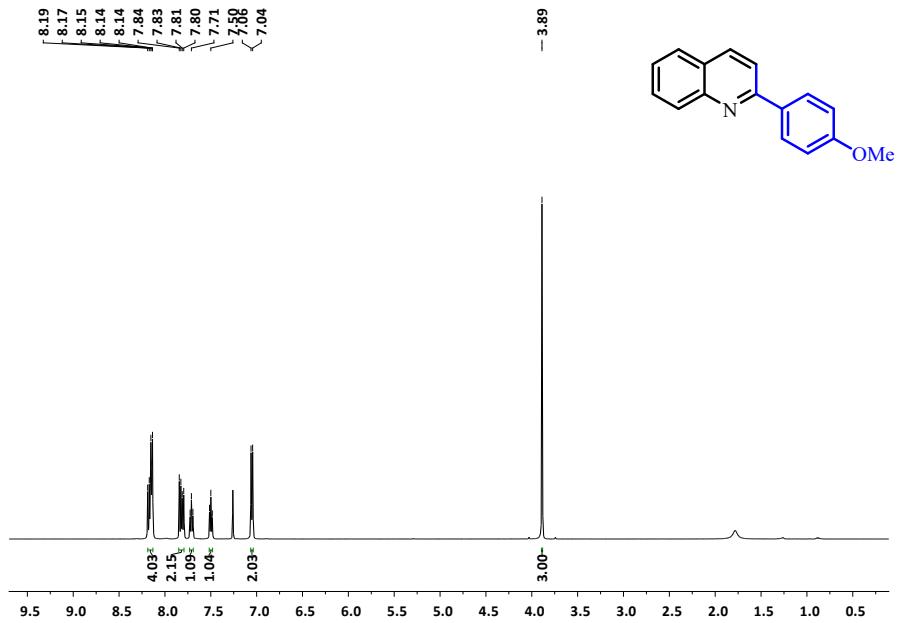
**Figure s30.**  $^{13}\text{C}\{\text{H}\}$  NMR spectrum of **3cf**.



**Figure s31.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of 6aa.



**Figure s32.** <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectrum of 6aa.



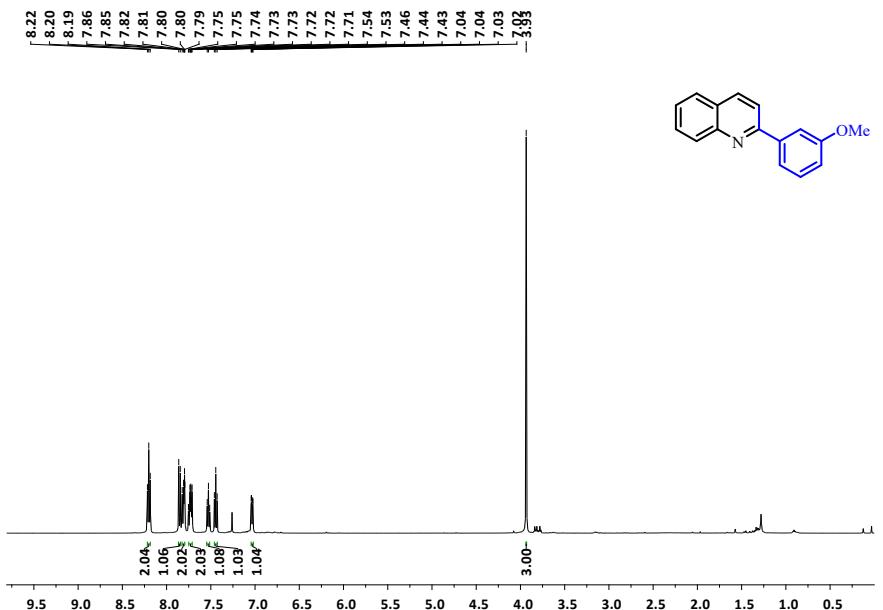


Figure s35.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of 6ca.

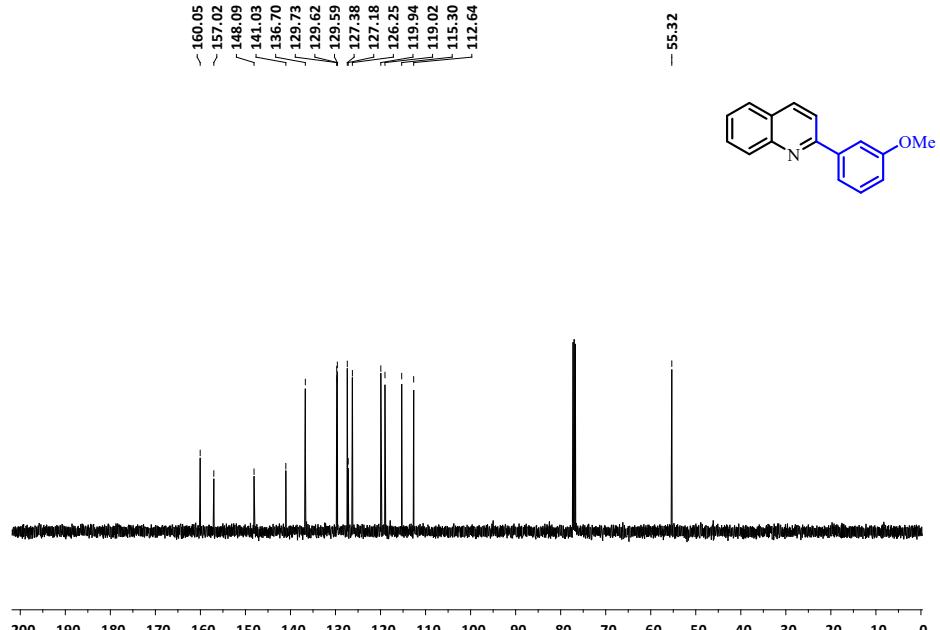
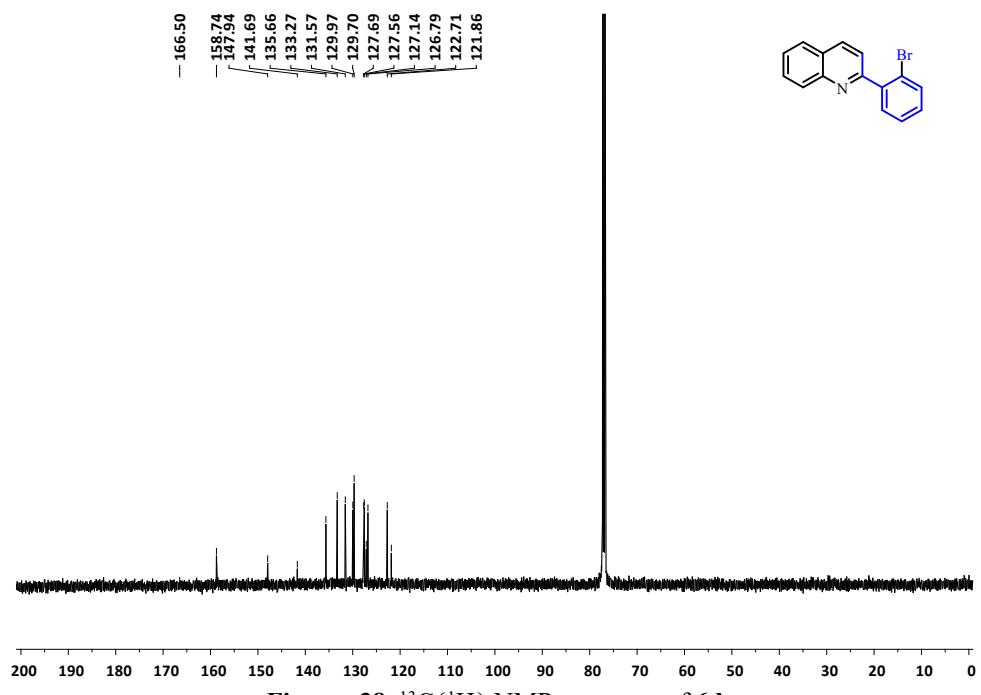
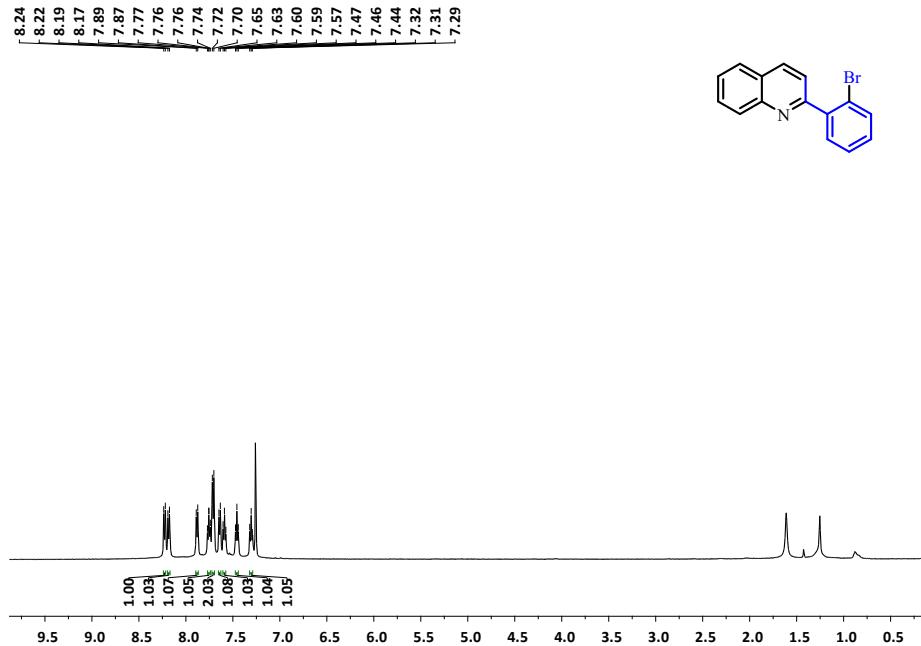
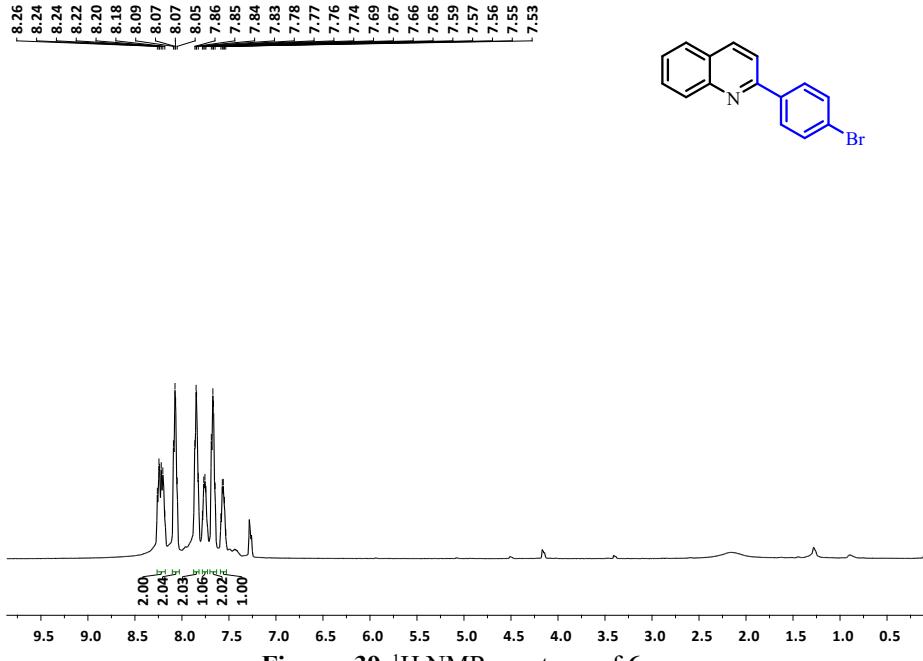
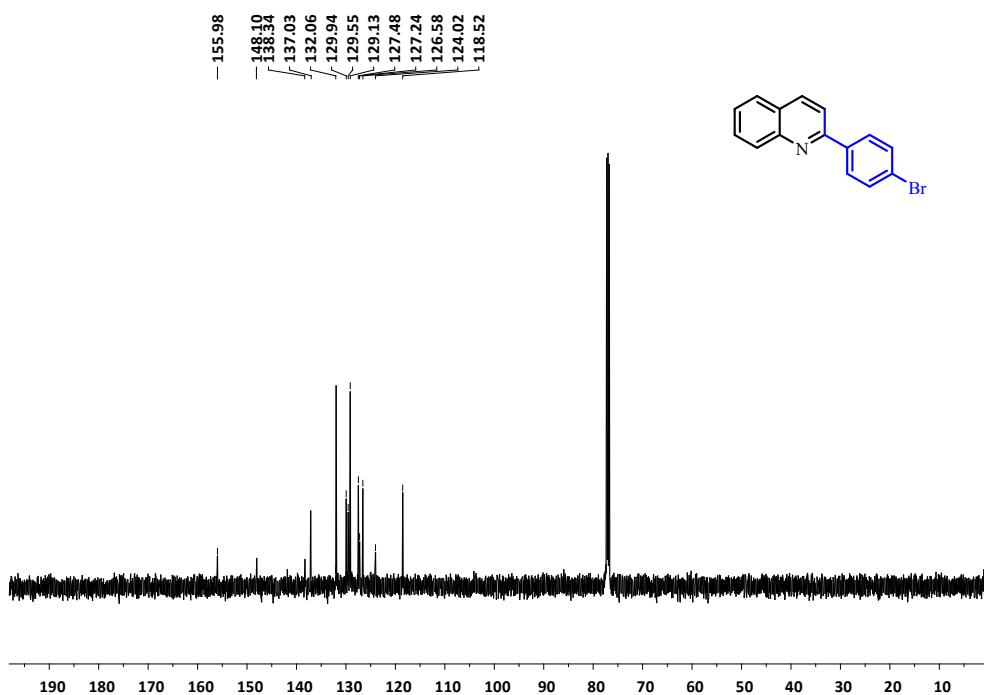


Figure s36.  $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$  NMR spectrum of 6ca.

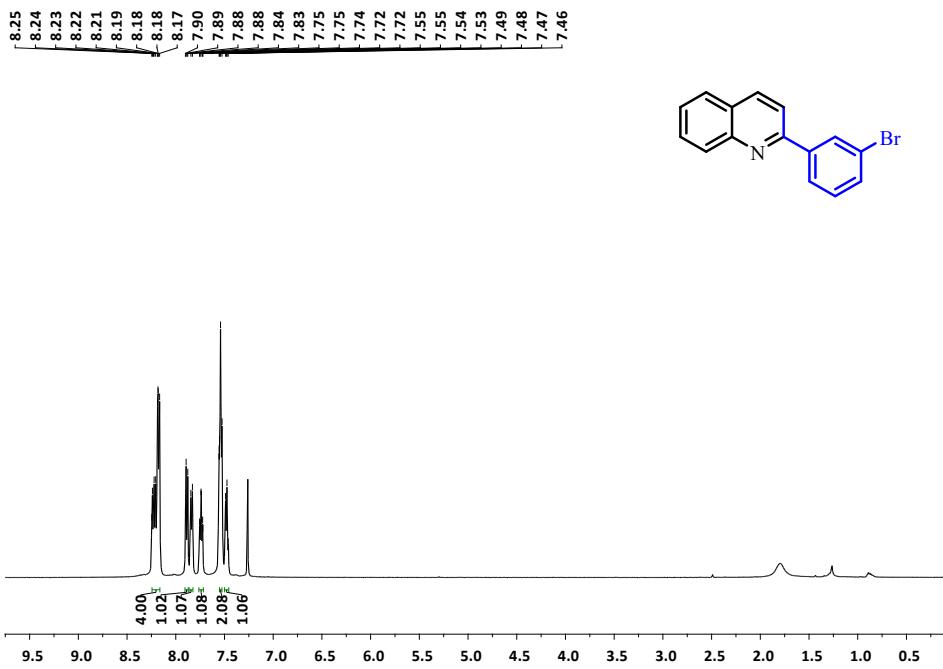




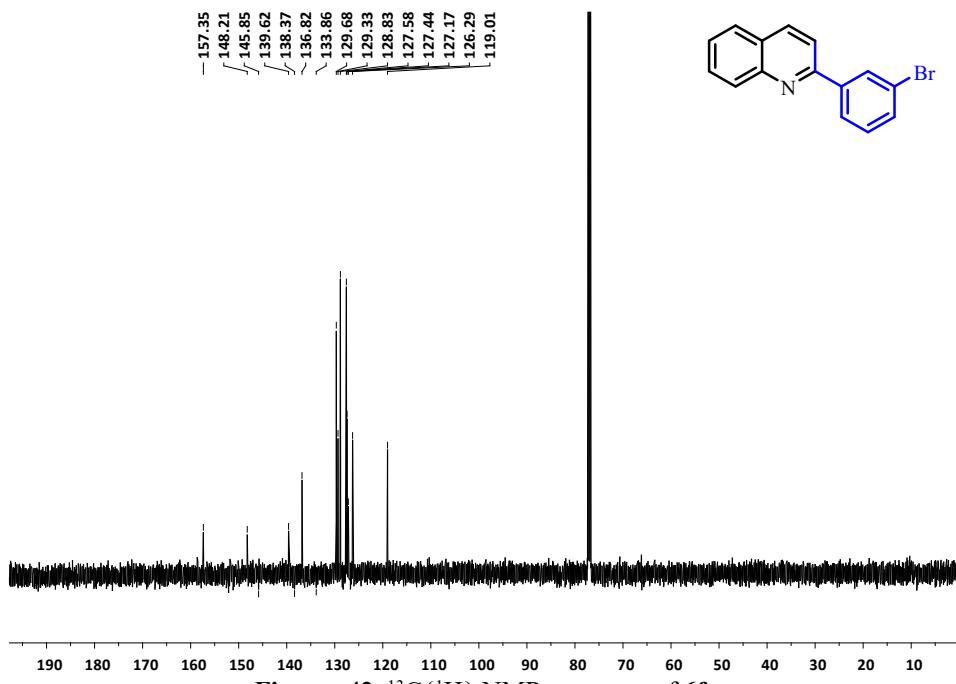
**Figure s39.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of **6ea**.



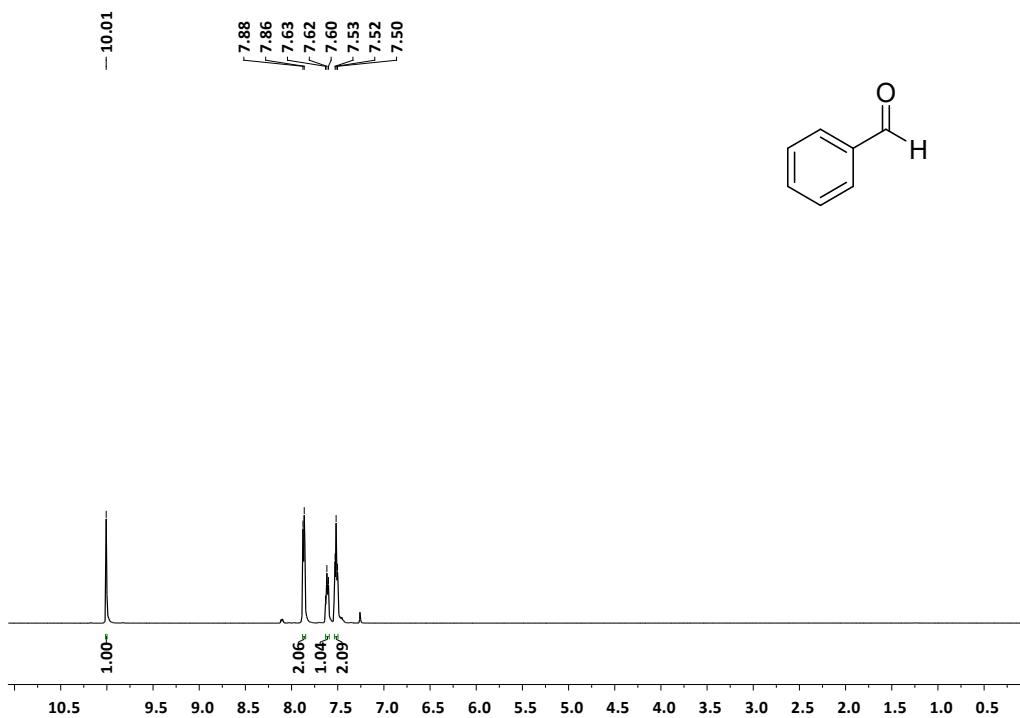
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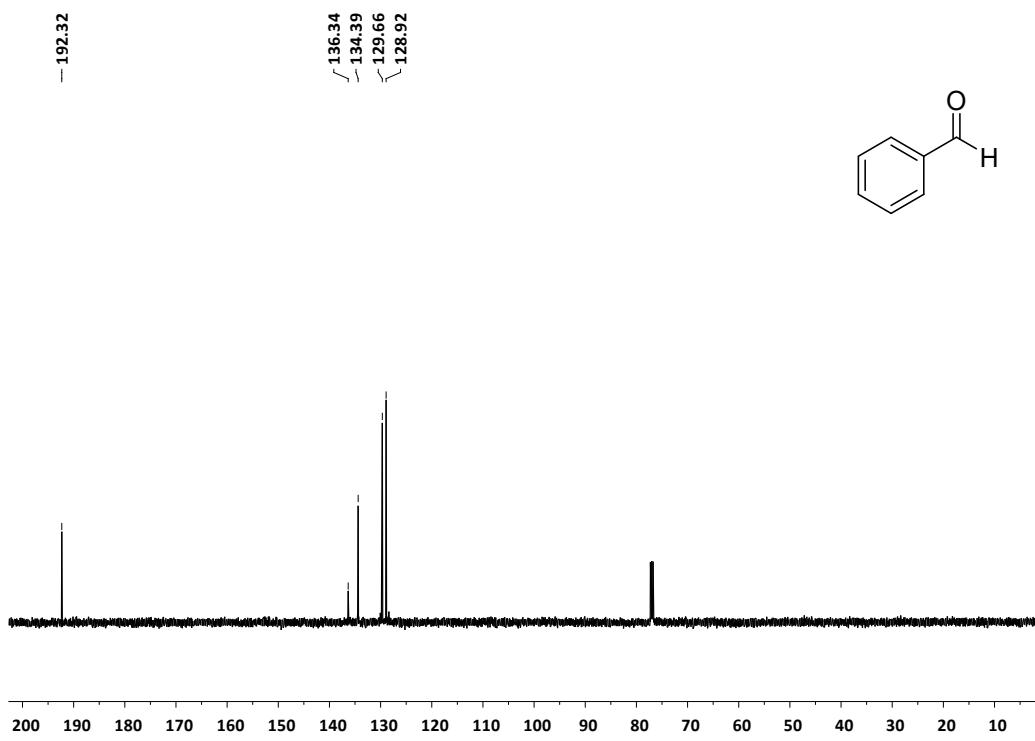
**Figure s41.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of **6fa**.



**Figure s42.**  $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$  NMR spectrum of **6fa**.



**Figure s43.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of  $\mathbf{2a}'$ .



**Figure s44.**  $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$  NMR spectrum of  $\mathbf{2a}'$ .

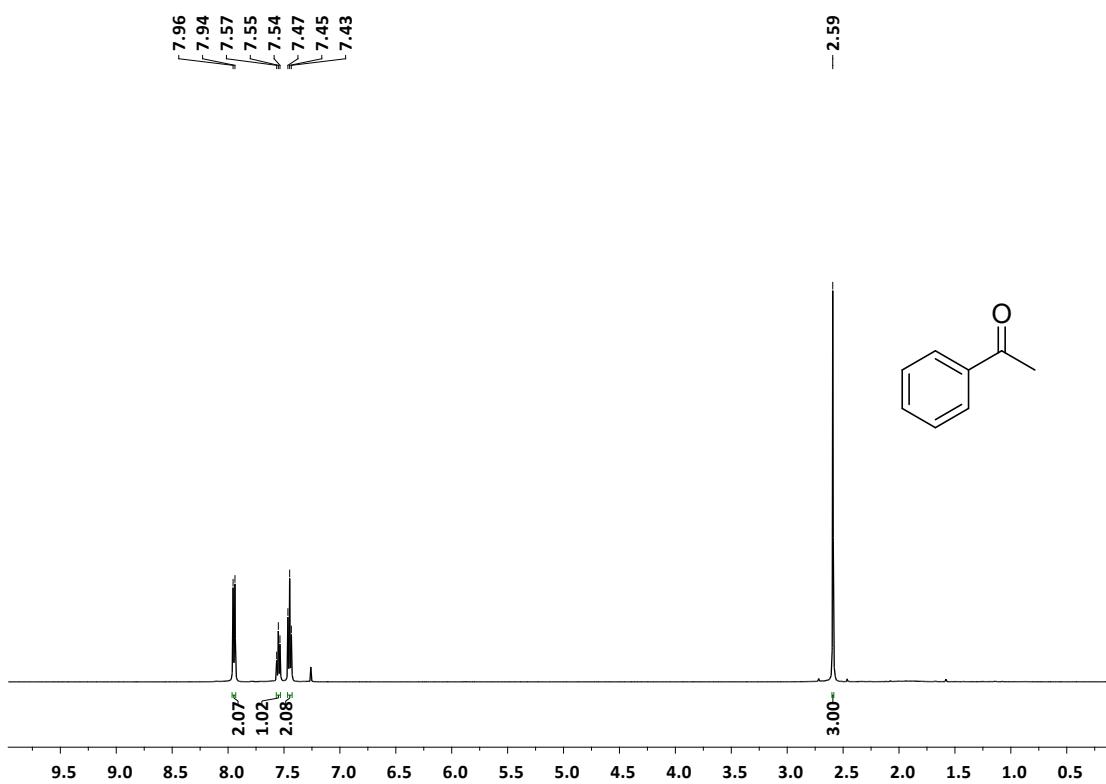


Figure s45.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of 1a.

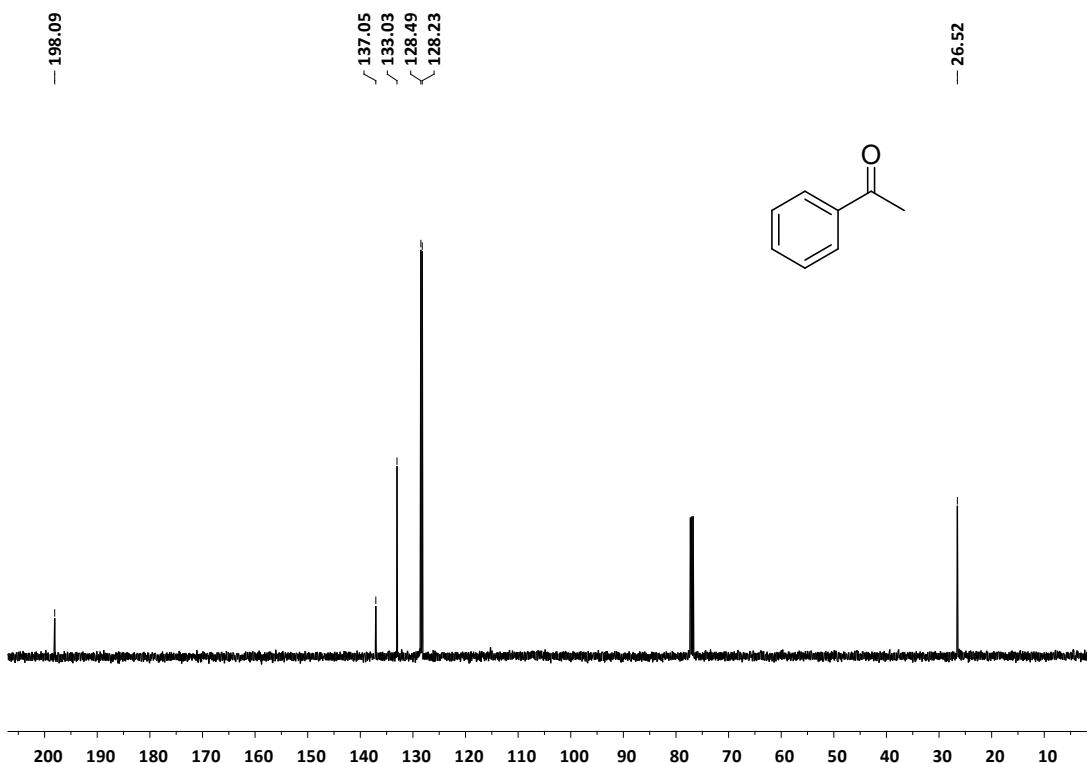
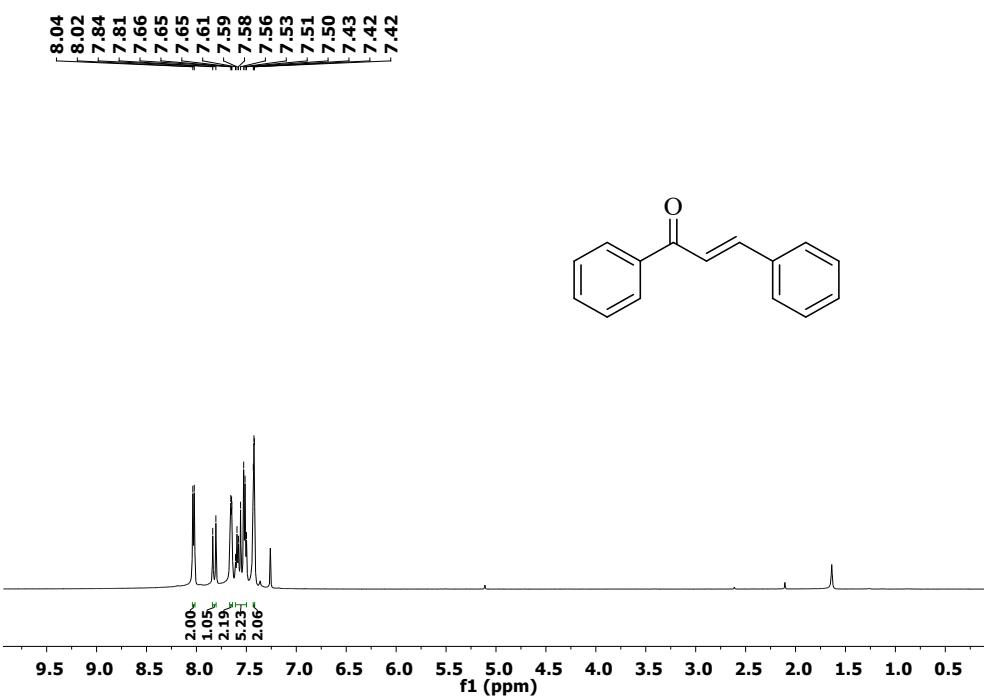
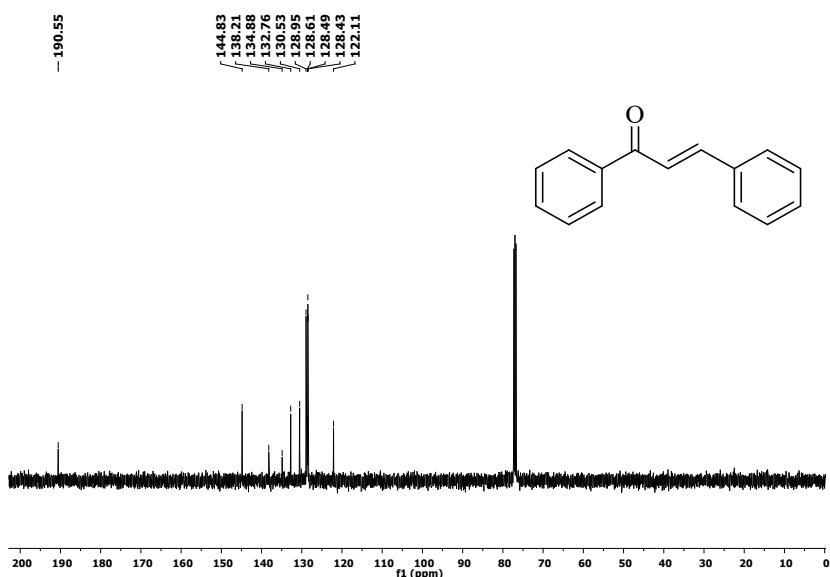


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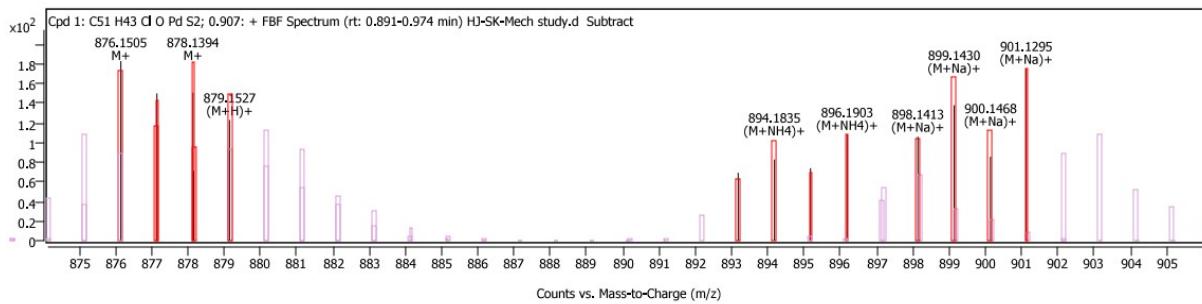


**Figure s47.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of 3aa'.



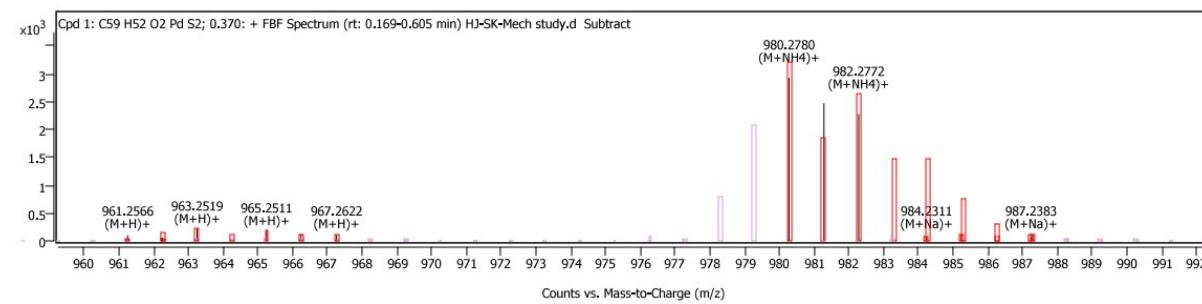
**Figure s48.** <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectrum of 3aa'.

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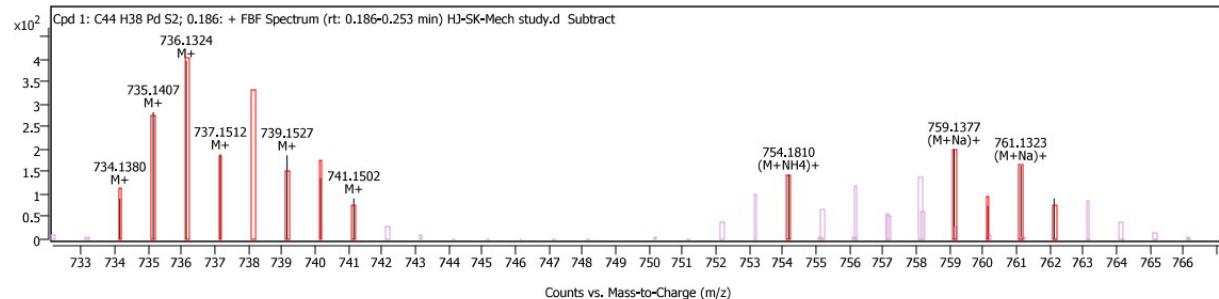
**Figure s49.** HRMS spectrum of intermediate A showing HRMS (ESI) m/z cacl for  $\text{C}_{51}\text{H}_{43}\text{ClOPOdS}_2$   $[\text{M}]^+$  876.1479, found 876.1505.

*Compound Spectra*



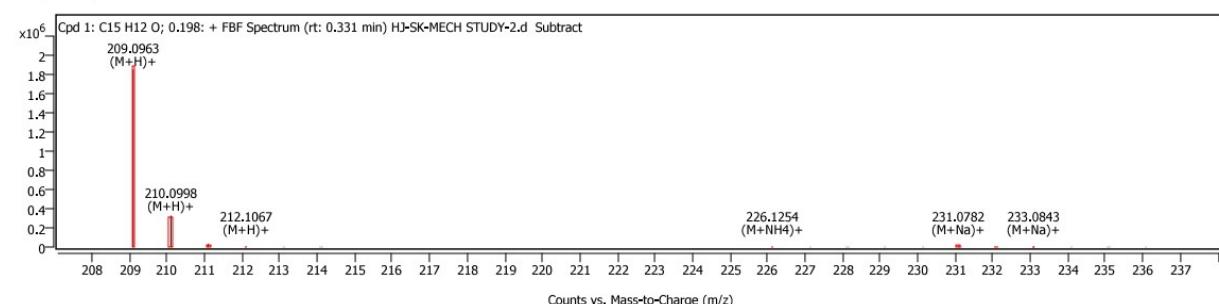
**Figure s50.** HRMS spectrum of intermediate B showing HRMS (ESI) m/z cacl for  $\text{C}_{59}\text{H}_{52}\text{O}_2\text{PdS}_2$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  963.2522, found 963.2519.

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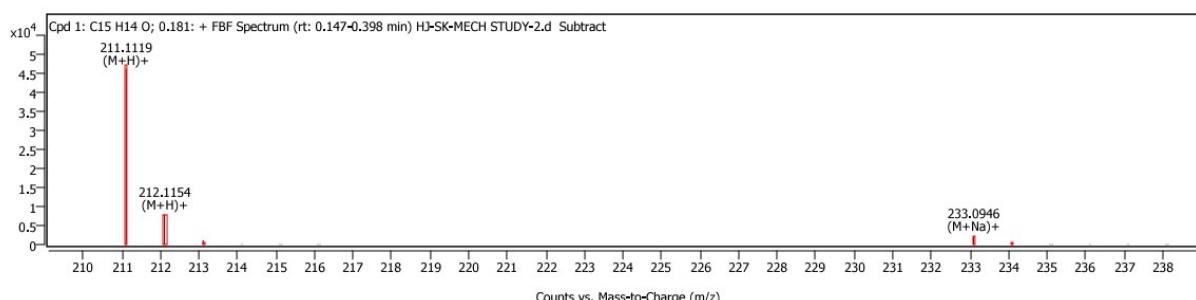
**Figure s51.** HRMS spectrum of intermediate C showing HRMS (ESI) m/z cacl for  $\text{C}_{59}\text{H}_{52}\text{O}_2\text{PdS}_2$   $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$  759.1347, found 759.1377.

*Compound Spectra*



**Figure s52.** HRMS spectrum of intermediate 3aa' showing HRMS (ESI) m/z cacl for  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{12}\text{O}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  209.0966, found 209.0963.

*Compound Spectra*



**Figure s53.** HRMS spectrum of product **3aa** showing HRMS (ESI) m/z cacl for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 211.1123, found 211.1119.

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