

Supporting Information

Rh-catalyzed [3+3]-annulation of quinolines with cyclopropenones: access to functionalized 2-quinolones

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General Information. Quinolines, AgSbF₆ (99%), AgNTf₂ (97%), Ag₂O (99%), AgOAc ($\geq 99.9\%$), AgBF₄ (98%), Ag₂CO₃ (99%), Cu₂O ($\geq 99.9\%$), Cu(OAc)₂ (98%) and *m*-CPBA ($\geq 77\%$) of Aldrich used as received. [RhCp*Cl₂]₂ (98%) of BLD Pharma used as received. Quinoline N-oxides¹ and cyclopropanones² were prepared according to the reported procedure. SRL silica gel G/GF 254 plates were used for analytical TLC and SRL silica gel (100-200 mesh) was used for column chromatography while compound spots were visualized using UV lamp (254 nm) and iodine. NMR (¹H, ¹³C, ¹⁹F and NOESY) spectra were recorded with Bruker Ascend 400, 500 and 600 MHz spectrometers using CDCl₃ as solvent and TMS as an internal standard. Chemical shifts (δ) and spin-spin coupling constant (*J*) are reported in ppm and in Hz, respectively, and other data are reported as mentioned: s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, m = multiplet. HRMS was recorded with a quadrupole time-of-flight electrospray ionization (ESI) mass spectrometer (Agilent6546). Perkin Elmer FT-IR spectrometer was used to record IR spectra. Melting points were determined using a Büchi B-540 apparatus and are uncorrected. Single crystal X-ray data was collected on a Bruker SMART APEX equipped with a CCD area detector using Mo/K α radiation and the structure was solved by direct method using SHELXL-19 (Göttingen, Germany).

Sample Preparation for Crystal Growth

The compounds **3aa** and **6** were separately dissolved in a minimum volume of acetonitrile and kept at room temperature for slow evaporation for 2 days. The crystals were subjected to X-ray diffraction.

Crystal Data and Structure Refinement for 3aa

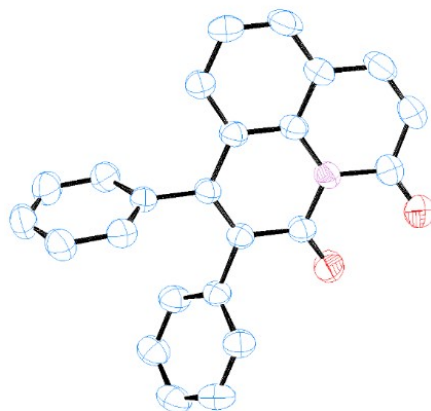


Figure S1. ORTEP diagram of **3aa** with 50% ellipsoid (CCDC 2382651). H-Atoms are omitted for clarity.

Identification code	3aa
Empirical formula	'C ₂₄ H ₁₅ N O ₂ '
Formula weight	349.37
Crystal habit, color	Needle, colorless
Crystal size, mm ³	0.25 x 0.21 x 0.19
Temperature, <i>T</i> /K	297 K
Wavelength, λ /Å	0.71073
Crystal system	'Monoclinic'
Space group	'P 2 ₁ /n'
Unit cell dimensions	$a = 9.3265 (7) \text{ Å}$ $b = 16.1716 (11) \text{ Å}$ $c = 11.8420 (8) \text{ Å}$ $\alpha = 90$ $\beta = 92.342 (2)$ $\gamma = 90$
Volume, $V/\text{Å}^3$	1784.6 (2)
<i>Z</i>	4
Calculated density, g cm ⁻³	1.300
Absorption coefficient, μ/mm^{-1}	0.083
<i>F</i> (000)	728.0
θ range for data collection	2.52 to 25.08°
Limiting indices	$-11 \leq h \leq 11, -19 \leq k \leq 19, -14 \leq l \leq 14$
Reflection collected / unique	3162/2251
Completeness to θ	99.7%
Absorption correction	None
Max. and min. transmission	0.984 and 0.979
Refinement method	SHELXL-2019/1 (Sheldrick, 2019)
Data / restraints / parameters	3162/0/245
Goodness-of-fit on F^2	1.089
Final <i>R</i> indices [$I > 2\sigma(I)$]	$R_1 = 0.0589, wR_2 = 0.1293$
<i>R</i> indices (all data)	$R_1 = 0.0913, wR_2 = 0.1553$

Crystal Data and Structure Refinement for **6**

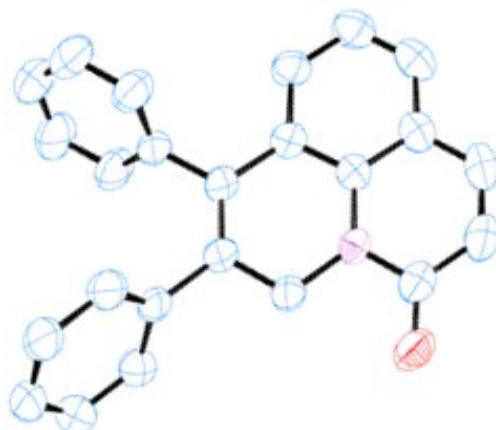
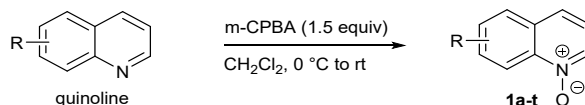


Figure S2. ORTEP diagram of **6** with 50% ellipsoid (CCDC 2382652). H-Atoms are omitted for clarity.

Identification code	6
Empirical formula	'C ₂₄ H ₁₇ N O'
Formula weight	335.38
Crystal habit, color	Block, Colorless
Crystal size, mm ³	0.27 x 0.24 x 0.20
Temperature, <i>T</i> /K	295 K
Wavelength, λ /Å	0.71073
Crystal system	'Orthorhombic'
Space group	'P b c a'
Unit cell dimensions	$a = 6.9180 (7) \text{ Å}$ $b = 16.8553 (17) \text{ Å}$ $c = 29.099 (3) \text{ Å}$ $\alpha = 90$ $\beta = 90$ $\gamma = 90$
Volume, $V/\text{Å}^3$	3393.1 (6)
<i>Z</i>	8
Calculated density, g cm ⁻³	1.313
Absorption coefficient, μ/mm^{-1}	0.080
$F(000)$	1408.0

θ range for data collection	2.52 to 26.39°
Limiting indices	$-8 \leq h \leq 8, -21 \leq k \leq 21, -36 \leq l \leq 36$
Reflection collected / unique	3429/2109
Completeness to θ	98.3%
Absorption correction	None
Max. and min. transmission	0.984 and 0.979
Refinement method	SHELXL-2019/1 (Sheldrick, 2019)
Data / restraints / parameters	3429/0/244
Goodness-of-fit on F^2	1.110
Final R indices [$I > 2\sigma(I)$]	$R1 = 0.0591, wR2 = 0.0999$
R indices (all data)	$R1 = 0.1169, wR2 = 0.1247$

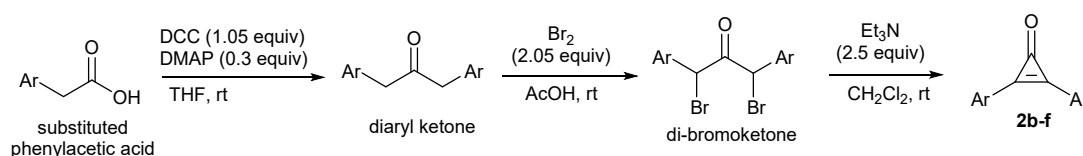
Synthesis of Quinoline *N*-Oxides¹



To a stirred solution of quinoline (1 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (3 mL), *m*-CPBA (1.5 mmol, 259 mg) was added portion-wise at 0 °C and the reaction mixture was allowed to stir overnight at room temperature under air. The reaction mixture was quenched with a saturated aqueous solution of NaHCO_3 (10 mL) and extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3 x 15 mL). Drying (Na_2SO_4) and evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography to afford desired *N*-oxides **1**.

Quinoline *N*-oxides **1g**, **1j** and **1r-t** are new, whose characterization data are provided. For known quinoline *N*-oxides, ^1H NMR data are given to show the purity.

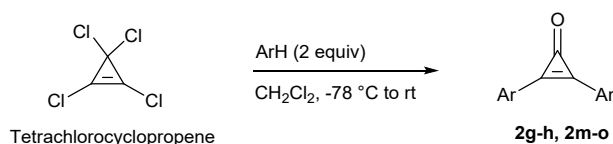
Synthesis of Cyclopropenones²



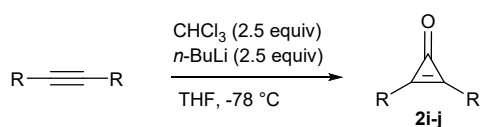
Synthesis of Cyclopropenones 2b-f. Substituted phenylacetic acid (5 mmol) was added to a stirred solution of DCC (5.3 mmol, 1.1 g) and DMAP (1.5 mmol, 183 mg) in THF (10 mL) and

the reaction was allowed to stir for 90 minutes at room temperature. The resultant mixture was passed through a short pad of celite. Evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified by column chromatography to afford diaryl ketone.

Next, the above diaryl ketone (1 mmol) was dissolved in acetic acid (2 mL) and a solution of bromine (2.05 mmol, 106 μ L) in acetic acid (1 mL) was added drop wise over a period of 10 minutes and the stirring was continued for 3 h. The reaction mixture was then poured into an ice-cold water, and filtered to get a solid of dibromoketone, which was dissolved in CH_2Cl_2 (5 mL) and stirred at room temperature. A solution of triethylamine (2.5 mmol, 360 μ L) in CH_2Cl_2 (5 mL) was added and the stirring was continued for an additional 1 hour. The reaction mixture was then diluted with CH_2Cl_2 (5 mL), washed with 1 N HCl (2 X 5 mL), brine (5 mL) and dried (Na_2SO_4). Evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography using hexane/ethyl acetate as an eluent to afford cyclopropenones **2b-f**.

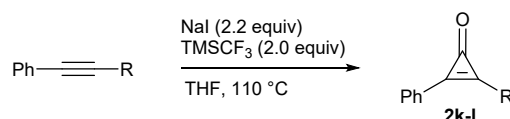


Synthesis of Cyclopropenones 2g-h and 2m-o. To a suspension of tetrachlorocyclopropene (1 mmol, 123 μ L) and AlCl_3 (1.05 mmol, 140 mg) in CH_2Cl_2 (5 mL) at -78°C , a solution of substituted benzene (2 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (1 mL) was added dropwise over a period of 10 minutes. The resultant mixture was stirred for an additional 15 minutes at the same temperature, then allowed to stir at room temperature for 12 h. After completion (monitored by TLC analysis), water (5 mL) was added and the stirring was continued for an additional 5 minutes. The resultant mixture was extracted using CH_2Cl_2 (2 x 10 mL) and dried (Na_2SO_4). Evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography using hexane/ethyl acetate as eluent to give cyclopropenones **2g-h** and **2m-o**.



Synthesis of Cyclopropenones 2i-j. To a stirred solution of alkyne (5 mmol) and chloroform (12.5 mmol, 1 mL) in THF (10 mL), $n\text{-BuLi}$ (12.5 mmol, 6.5 mL of 2M solution in cyclohexane) was added dropwise over a period of 10 minutes at -78°C under nitrogen atmosphere. The resultant mixture was stirred at -78°C for an additional 4 h. Then, conc. HCl

(5 mL) was added dropwise over a period of 10 minutes and the resultant mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for 10 minutes. The reaction mixture was then quenched with water (10 mL) and extracted using CH₂Cl₂ (3 x 20 mL). Drying (Na₂SO₄) and evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography using ethyl acetate and methanol as eluent to afford cyclopropenones **2i-j**.

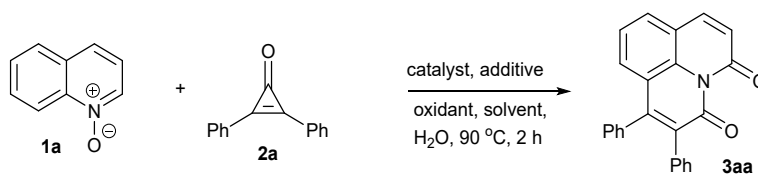


Synthesis of Cyclopropenones 2k-l. Alkyne (5 mmol), trifluoromethyltrimethylsilane (10 mmol, 1.5 mL) and NaI (11 mmol, 1.6 g) were stirred in THF (15 mL) at 110 °C for 2 h under nitrogen atmosphere. The reaction mixture was then cooled to room temperature and water (10 mL) was added. The resultant mixture was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 x 20 mL) and dried (Na₂SO₄). Evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography using hexane/ethyl acetate as an eluent to give cyclopropenones **2k-l**.

The commercial cyclopropenone **2a** was used as received whereas cyclopropenone **2c** and **2o** are new whose characterization data are provided. For other known cyclopropenones, ¹H NMR data are given to show the purity.

Procedure for the Rh-Catalyzed Annulation of Quinoline *N*-oxides with Cyclopropenones. In a pressure tube, quinoline *N*-oxide **1** (0.2 mmol), cyclopropenone **2** (0.24 mmol), [RhCp*Cl₂]₂ (0.01 mmol, 6 mg), AgBF₄ (0.04 mmol, 8 mg), Ag₂O (0.2 mmol, 46 mg), H₂O (50 μL) and (CH₂Cl)₂ (1 mL) were stirred for 2 h at 90 °C under argon atmosphere. Upon completion, the reaction mixture was passed through a short pad of celite using CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL). Evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography using hexane/ethyl acetate as an eluent to afford the annulated product **3**.

Scale-up Synthesis of 3aa. In a pressure tube, quinoline *N*-oxide **1** (3.44 mmol, 500 mg), cyclopropenone **2** (4.1 mmol, 850 mg), [RhCp*Cl₂]₂ (0.17 mmol, 106 mg), AgBF₄ (1.7 mmol, 134.5 mg), Ag₂O (3.4 mmol, 797 mg), H₂O (250 μL) and (CH₂Cl)₂ (5 mL) were subjected to the above-described reaction conditions and purification to furnish **3aa** in 61% yield (734 mg).

Table S1. Optimization of Reaction Conditions^a

entry	catalyst	additive	oxidant	solvent	yield (%) ^b
1	[RhCp*Cl ₂] ₂	AgSbF ₆	Ag ₂ O	(CH ₂ Cl) ₂	62
2	[RhCp*Cl ₂] ₂	AgNTf ₂	Ag ₂ O	(CH ₂ Cl) ₂	57
3	[RhCp*Cl ₂] ₂	AgBF ₄	Ag ₂ O	TFE	26
4	[RhCp*Cl ₂] ₂	AgBF ₄	Ag ₂ O	MeOH	trace
5	[RhCp*Cl ₂] ₂	AgBF ₄	Ag ₂ O	toluene	55
6	[RhCp*Cl ₂] ₂	AgBF ₄	Ag ₂ O	CH ₃ CN	42
7	[RhCp*Cl ₂] ₂	AgBF ₄	Ag ₂ O	THF	48
8	[RhCp*Cl ₂] ₂	AgBF ₄	Ag ₂ O	DMF	38
9 ^c	[RhCp*Cl ₂] ₂	AgBF ₄	Ag ₂ O	H ₂ O	n.d.
10 ^d	[RhCp*Cl ₂] ₂	AgBF ₄	Ag ₂ O	(CH ₂ Cl) ₂	trace
11 ^e	[RhCp*Cl ₂] ₂	AgBF ₄	Ag ₂ O	(CH ₂ Cl) ₂	65
12	[RhCp*Cl ₂] ₂	-	-	(CH ₂ Cl) ₂	n.d.
13 ^f	[RhCp*Cl ₂] ₂	AgBF ₄	Ag ₂ O	(CH ₂ Cl) ₂	44
14 ^g	[RhCp*Cl ₂] ₂	AgBF ₄	Ag ₂ O	(CH ₂ Cl) ₂	66
15 ^h	[RhCp*Cl ₂] ₂	AgBF ₄	Ag ₂ O	(CH ₂ Cl) ₂	58
16 ⁱ	[RhCp*Cl ₂] ₂	AgBF ₄	Ag ₂ O	(CH ₂ Cl) ₂	54
17 ^j	[RhCp*Cl ₂] ₂	AgBF ₄	Ag ₂ O	(CH ₂ Cl) ₂	70
18 ^k	[RhCp*Cl ₂] ₂	AgBF ₄	Ag ₂ O	(CH ₂ Cl) ₂	69
19 ^l	[RhCp*Cl ₂] ₂	AgBF ₄	Ag ₂ O	(CH ₂ Cl) ₂	64

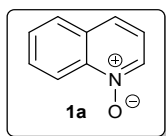
^aReaction conditions: **1a** (0.2 mmol), **2a** (0.24 mmol), catalyst (5 mol %), additive (20 mol %), oxidant (0.2 mmol), solvent (1 mL), H₂O (50 μL, 14 equiv), 90 °C, argon atmosphere, 2 h. ^bIsolated yield. ^c only H₂O (1 mL). ^dAt 50 °C. ^eAt 120 °C. ^fOxidant (0.1 mmol, 0.5 equiv). ^gOxidant (0.4 mmol, 2 equiv). ^h[RhCp*Cl₂]₂ (2.5 mol %). ⁱ[RhCp*Cl₂]₂ (2.5 mol %) stirred for additional 12 h. ^j[RhCp*Cl₂]₂ (4 mol %). ^kH₂O (36 μL, 10 equiv). ^lH₂O (72 μL, 20 equiv). n.d. = not detected.

Post-synthetic Transformations

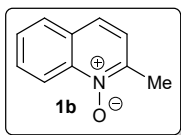
Synthesis of 6. To an ice-cold solution of 1,2-diphenyl-3H,5H-pyrido[3,2,1-ij]quinoline-3,5-dione **3aa** (0.1 mmol, 35 mg) in THF (1 mL), BH₃·SMe₂ (0.25 mmol, 25 μL) was added and the resultant mixture was allowed stir at room temperature for 6 h under nitrogen atmosphere. Evaporation of solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography using hexane/ethyl acetate as an eluent to afford 1,2-dihydroquinoline derivative **6** in 68% (23 mg) yield.

Synthesis of 7. In a pressure tube, a mixture having **3ka** (0.1 mmol, 43 mg), PhB(OH)₂ (0.2 mmol, 25 mg), Na₂CO₃ (0.2 mmol, 21 mg), toluene (1 mL), ethanol (1 mL) and water (100 μL) was degassed with argon for 10 minutes. Then, Pd(PPh₃)₄ (2 mol %, 2.5 mg) was added and the mixture was allowed to stir at 100 °C for 8 h. After completion (monitored by TLC), the resultant solution was diluted with ethyl acetate (20 mL) and washed with water (5 mL). Drying (Na₂SO₄) and evaporation of the solvent gave a residue, which was purified on silica gel column chromatography using hexane/ethyl acetate as an eluent to afford **7** in 74% (31.5 mg) yield.

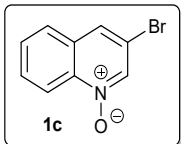
Characterization Data of Quinoline N-oxides



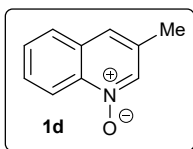
Quinoline 1-oxide 1a.^{1d} Brown solid; yield 87% (126 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.76 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 8.55 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 7.89 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.79-7.75 (m, 2H), 7.67-7.63 (m, 1H), 7.32-7.28 (m, 1H).



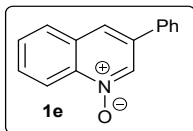
2-Methylquinoline 1-oxide 1b.^{1d} Brown solid; yield 84% (133.5 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.79 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.84 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.77-7.73 (m, 1H), 7.66 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.61-7.57 (m, 1H), 7.32 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H).



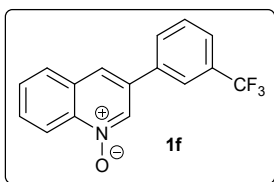
3-Bromoquinoline 1-oxide 1c.^{1c} Brown solid; yield 81% (182 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.68 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 8.63 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.90 (s, 1H), 7.80-7.74 (m, 2H), 7.69-7.65 (m, 1H).



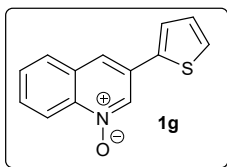
3-Methylquinoline 1-oxide 1d.^{1d} Brown solid; yield 86% (137 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.69 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 8.43 (s, 1H), 7.78 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.71-7.67 (m, 1H), 7.62-7.58 (m, 1H), 7.53 (s, 1H), 2.45 (s, 3H).



3-Phenylquinoline 1-oxide 1e.^{1c} Brown solid; yield 82% (181 mg); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.79 (d, *J* = 1.0 Hz, 1H), 8.69 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.86-7.85 (m, 2H), 7.71 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.62-7.58 (m, 3H), 7.47 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.41-7.38 (m, 1H).

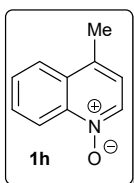


3-(3-Trifluoromethyl)phenyl)quinoline 1-oxide 1f.^{1d} Brown solid; yield 78% (225.5 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.85 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 8.77 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.96-7.92 (m, 3H), 7.85-7.77 (m, 2H), 7.74-7.64 (m, 3H). δ 8.69 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.43 (s, 1H), 7.78 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.71-7.67 (m, 1H), 7.62-7.59 (m, 1H), 7.54 (s, 1H), 2.46 (s, 3H).



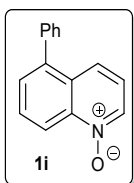
3-(Thiophen-3-yl)quinoline 1-oxide 1g.

Analytical TLC on silica gel, 3:2 hexane/ethyl acetate R_f = 0.42; brown solid; mp 89-90 °C; yield 82% (186 mg); ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.86 (s, 1H), 8.72 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.89 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.74 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.66-7.62 (m, 2H), 7.50-7.48 (m, 1H), 7.45 (d, J = 5.0 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 140.3, 137.0, 134.7, 130.4, 130.1, 129.8, 129.3, 128.3, 127.7, 125.7, 122.6, 122.5, 119.8; FT-IR (neat) 3379, 1684, 1580, 1497, 1397, 1341, 1210, 1138, 1086, 957, 781 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{10}\text{NOS}$: 228.0478, found 228.0479.



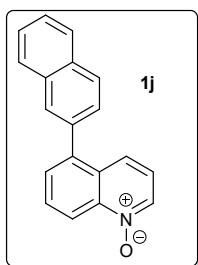
4-Methylquinoline 1-oxide 1h.^{1d}

Brown solid; yield 85% (123 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.82 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 8.45 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 7.99 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.80-7.76 (m, 1H), 7.70-7.66 (m, 1H), 7.13 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 2.67 (s, 3H).



5-Phenylquinoline 1-oxide 1i.^{1d}

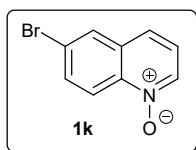
Brown solid; yield 80% (177 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.83 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 8.56 (d, J = 5.6 Hz, 1H), 7.82-7.77 (m, 2H), 7.61-7.59 (m, 1H), 7.54-7.43 (m, 5H), 7.26-7.22 (m, 1H).



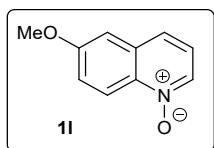
5-(Naphthalen-2-yl)quinoline 1-oxide 1j.

Analytical TLC on silica gel; 3:2 hexane/ethyl acetate R_f = 0.30; brown solid; mp:179-180 °C; yield 86% (233 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.86 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 8.57-8.56 (m, 1H), 7.99-7.89 (m, 4H), 7.85-7.80 (m, 2H), 7.70-7.68 (m, 1H), 7.59-7.54 (m, 3H), 7.24-7.21 (m, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 142.3, 141.2, 136.2, 135.5, 133.3, 132.9, 130.0, 129.9, 129.5, 129.1, 128.3, 128.2, 127.9, 127.9, 126.9, 126.8, 124.9, 120.8, 119.4; FT-IR (neat) 3057, 2924, 1719, 1627, 1443,

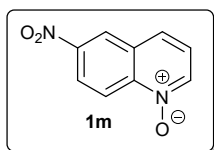
1252, 1148, 947, 700 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{14}\text{NO}$: 272.1071, found 272.1075.



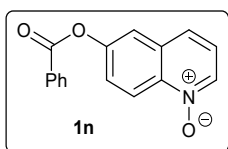
6-Bromoquinoline 1-oxide 1k.^{1a} Brown solid; yield 84% (187 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.64 (d, $J = 9.2$ Hz, 1H), 8.53-8.51 (m, 1H), 8.05 (d, $J = 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.84-7.81 (m, 1H), 7.66 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.34-7.31 (m, 1H).



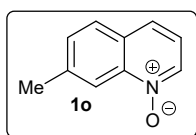
6-Methoxyquinoline 1-oxide 1l.^{1d} Brown solid; yield 79% (183 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.65 (d, $J = 9.6$ Hz, 1H), 8.40-8.39 (m, 1H), 7.65 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.40-7.37 (m, 1H), 7.27-7.23 (m, 1H), 7.11 (d, $J = 2.4$ Hz, 1H), 3.94 (s, 3H).



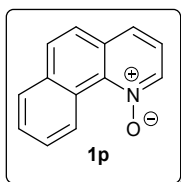
6-Nitroquinoline 1-oxide 1m.^{1d} Yellow solid; yield 75% (142 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.94 (d, $J = 9.6$ Hz, 1H), 8.84 (d, $J = 2.4$ Hz, 1H), 8.68 (d, $J = 6.0$ Hz, 1H), 8.52-8.49 (m, 1H), 7.94 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.51-7.48 (m, 1H).



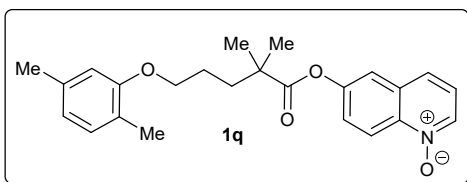
6-(Benzoyloxy)quinoline 1-oxide 1n.^{1d} Brown solid; yield 81% (215 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.84 (d, $J = 9.6$ Hz, 1H), 8.54 (d, $J = 6.0$ Hz, 1H), 8.25-8.22 (m, 2H), 7.80 (d, $J = 2.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.74 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.70-7.62 (m, 2H), 7.57 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.35-7.32 (m, 1H).



7-Methylquinoline 1-oxide 1o.^{1d} Brown solid; yield 84% (122 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.56 (s, 1H), 8.52 (d, $J = 6.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.78 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.72 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.49-7.47 (m, 1H), 7.26-7.21 (m, 1H), 2.60 (s, 3H).

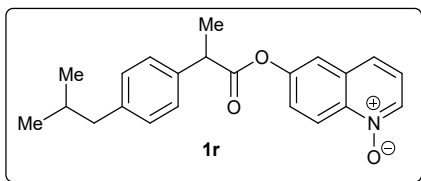


Benzo[h]quinoline 1-oxide 1p.^{1b} Brown solid; yield 83% (162 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.86-10.83 (m, 1H), 8.68-8.66 (m, 1H), 7.94-7.92 (m, 1H), 7.87 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.81-7.77 m, 3H), 7.67-7.64 (m, 1H), 7.43-7.39 (m, 1H).



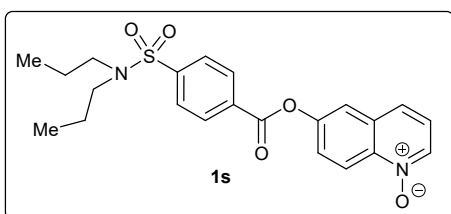
6-(5-(2,5-Dimethylphenoxy)-2,2-dimethyl-pentano-

yloxy)quinoline 1-oxide 1q.^{1d} Brown sticky liquid; yield 76% (299 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.77 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 8.51-8.49 (m, 1H), 7.66 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.44-7.41 (m, 1H), 7.32-7.28 (m, 1H), 7.01 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.68 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.63 (s, 1H), 4.03 (t, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 2H), 2.30 (s, 3H), 2.17 (s, 3H), 1.95-1.88 (m, 4H), 1.42 (s, 6H).



6-(2-(4-Isobutylphenyl)propanoyloxy)quinoline 1-oxide

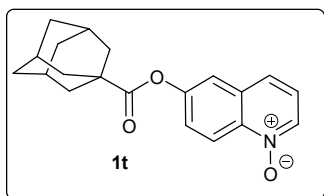
1r. Analytical TLC on silica gel; 3:2 hexane/ethyl acetate *R_f* = 0.35; brown liquid; yield 83% (289 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.73 (d, *J* = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 8.49-8.47 (m, 1H), 7.65 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.40-7.37 (m, 1H), 7.33-7.26 (m, 3H), 7.18 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 4.02 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 2.49 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.91-1.84 (m, 1H), 1.65 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 0.92 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 6H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 172.9, 150.6, 141.2, 139.5, 136.8, 135.4, 131.2, 129.7, 125.7, 125.5, 121.8, 121.7, 118.9, 45.416, 45.1, 30.2, 22.4, 18.5; FT-IR (neat) 3401, 2954, 1455, 1571, 1369, 1196, 1143, 1069, 851, 789 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) *m/z* [M+H]⁺ calcd for C₂₂H₂₄NO₃: 350.1751, found 350.1756.



6-((4-(N,N-Di(prop-1-en-1-yl)sulfamoyl)benzoyl)-

oxy)quinoline 1-oxide 1s. Analytical TLC on silica gel; 7:3 hexane/ethyl acetate *R_f* = 0.25;

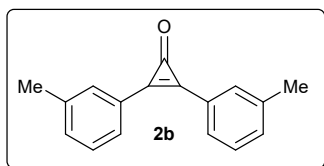
brown liquid; yield 78% (325 mg); ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.85 (d, $J = 9.5$ Hz, 1H), 8.57 (d, $J = 6.0$ Hz, 1H), 8.36 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.99 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.82 (d, $J = 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.77 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.65-7.63 (m, 1H), 7.38-7.35 (m, 1H), 3.16 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 4H), 1.51-1.54 (m, 4H), 0.91 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 6H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 163.5, 150.4, 145.5, 139.7, 135.8, 132.1, 131.3, 131.0, 127.4, 125.9, 125.4, 122.1, 122.1, 119.2, 50.0, 22.0, 11.2; FT-IR (neat) 3400, 2964, 1741, 1340, 1258, 1193, 1154, 1063, 993, 730 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{25}\text{N}_2\text{O}_5\text{S}$: 429.1479, found 429.1479.



6-((Adamantane-1-carbonyl)oxy)quinoline 1-oxide 1t. Brown

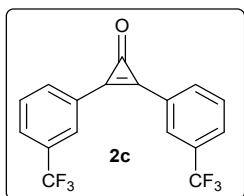
liquid; yield 81% (261 mg); ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.77 (d, $J = 9.5$ Hz, 1H), 8.50 (d, $J = 6.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.69 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.61 (d, $J = 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.47-7.49 (m, 1H), 7.32-7.29 (m, 1H), 2.12-2.09 (m, 9H), 1.82-1.76 (m, 6H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 175.8, 151.0, 139.5, 135.4, 131.3, 125.8, 125.6, 121.9, 121.7, 119.0, 41.3, 38.8, 36.5, 27.9; FT-IR (neat) 3401, 2905, 1746, 1571, 1453, 1368, 1211, 1179, 1194, 1039, 793 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{22}\text{NO}_3$: 324.1594, found 324.1599.

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2,3-Di-*m*-tolylcycloprop-2-en-1-one 2b.^{2d} Colorless solid; yield

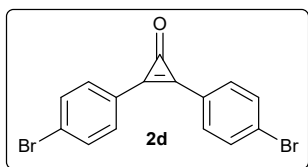
68% (159 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.80-7.77 (m, 4H), 7.49 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.41 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 2.46 (s, 6H).



2,3-Bis(3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)cycloprop-2-en-1-one 2c. Analytical

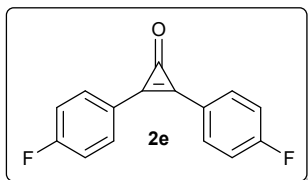
TLC on silica gel; 3:1 hexane/ethyl acetate $R_f = 0.30$; colorless solid; mp 148-147; yield 56% (191.5 mg); ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.22 (s, 2H), 8.16 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.90 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.79 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 154.6, 149.1, 134.3, 132.8

(q, $J_{C-F} = 33.0$ Hz), 130.4, 129.7 (q, $J_{C-F} = 3.6$ Hz), 128.3 (q, $J_{C-F} = 3.6$ Hz), 126.6 (q, $J_{C-F} = 271.1$ Hz), 124.4; ^{19}F NMR (470 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -63.04; FT-IR (neat) 1838, 1634, 1605, 1423, 1310, 1267, 1131, 1066, 806, 694 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_9\text{F}_6\text{O}$: 343.0552, found 343.0556



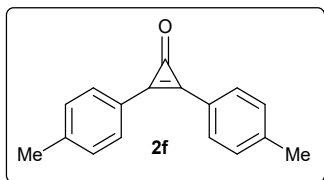
2,3-Bis(4-bromophenyl)cycloprop-2-en-1-one 2d.^{2d} Colorless

solid; yield 65% (237 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.82 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 4H), 7.74 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 4H).



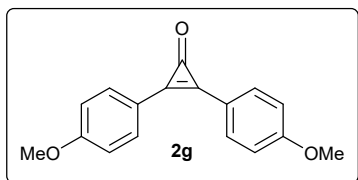
2,3-Bis(4-fluorophenyl)cycloprop-2-en-1-one 2e.^{2c} Colorless solid;

yield 71% (340 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.99-7.96 (m, 4H), 7.30 (t, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 4H).



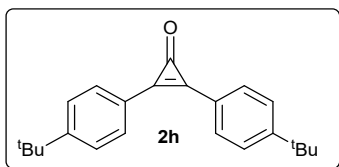
2,3-Di-*p*-tolylcycloprop-2-en-1-one 2f.^{2c} Colorless solid; yield

73% (170 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.87 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 4H), 7.38 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 4H), 2.46 (s, 6H).



2,3-Bis(4-methoxyphenyl)cycloprop-2-en-1-one 2g.^{2b} Colorless

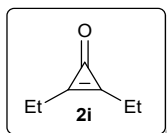
solid; yield 78% (207 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.93 (d, $J = 5.6$ Hz, 4H), 7.06 (d, $J = 6.0$ Hz, 4H), 3.90 (s, 6H).



2,3-Bis(4-(*tert*-butyl)phenyl)cycloprop-2-en-1-one

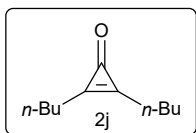
2h.^{2c}

Colorless solid; yield 72% (229 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.93 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 4H), 7.60 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 4H), 1.37 (s, 18H).



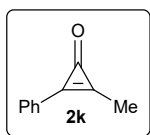
2,3-Diethylcycloprop-2-en-1-one 2i.^{2d}

Brown liquid; yield 58% (319 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 2.66 (q, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 4H), 1.32 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 6H).



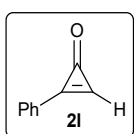
2,3-Dibutylcycloprop-2-en-1-one 2j.^{2d}

Brown liquid; yield 53% (439 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 2.62 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 4H), 1.71-1.64 (m, 4H), 1.47-1.38 (m, 4H), 0.97 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 6H).



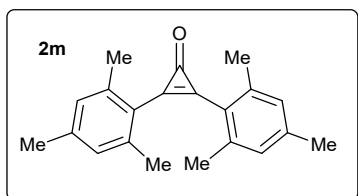
2-Methyl-3-phenylcycloprop-2-en-1-one 2k.^{2d}

Brown solid; yield 61% (439 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.79-7.77 (m, 2H), 7.56-7.50 (m, 3H), 2.49 (s, 3H).



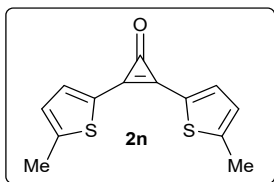
2-Phenylcycloprop-2-en-1-one 2l.^{2d}

Brown liquid; yield 56% (363.5 mg) ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.53 (s, 1H), 7.87-7.85 (m, 2H), 7.64-7.60 (m, 1H), 7.57-7.53 (m, 2H).

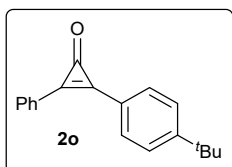


2,3-Dimesitylcycloprop-2-en-1-one 2m.^{2a}

Colorless solid; yield 83% (241 mg) ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.95 (s, 4H), 2.34 (s, 6H), 2.31 (s, 12H).

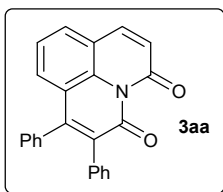


2,3-Bis(5-methylthiophen-2-yl)cycloprop-2-en-1-one 2n.^{2e} Brown solid; yield 74% (182 mg) ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.62 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 2H), 6.92-6.91 (m, 2H), 2.61 (s, 7H).

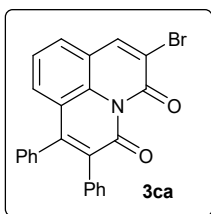


2-(4-(*tert*-Butyl)phenyl)-3-phenylcycloprop-2-en-1-one 2o. Analytical TLC on silica gel; 7:3 hexane/ethyl acetate R_f = 0.4; thick liquid; yield 68% (180 mg); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.99 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.95 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.61-7.57 (m, 5H), 1.37 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.1, 156.4, 147.7, 146.5, 132.8, 131.7, 131.6, 129.4, 126.5, 123.9, 121.0, 35.4, 31.1; FT-IR (neat) 3460, 2959, 1848, 1616, 1450, 1343, 840, 769, 690 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for C₁₉H₁₉O: 263.1430, found 263.1429.

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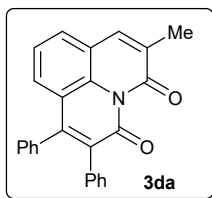


1,2-Diphenyl-3H,5H-pyrido[3,2,1-*ij*]quinoline-3,5-dione 3aa. Analytical TLC on silica gel; 3:2 hexane/ethyl acetate R_f = 0.3; colorless solid; mp 247-248 °C; yield 73% (51 mg); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.74 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 7.67 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.32-7.29 (m, 4H), 7.18-7.12 (m, 7H), 6.79 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.9, 161.8, 148.2, 139.9, 135.3, 134.9, 134.4, 134.3, 131.1, 130.9, 130.6, 129.9, 128.3, 128.2, 127.6, 127.5, 124.4, 123.8, 121.1, 119.5; FT-IR (neat) 2924, 1719, 1627, 1443, 1252, 1148, 947, 700 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) m/z [M+H]⁺ calcd for C₂₄H₁₆NO₂: 350.1176, found 350.1171.



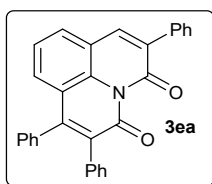
6-Bromo-1,2-diphenyl-3H,5H-pyrido[3,2,1-*ij*]quinoline-3,5-dione 3ca. Analytical TLC on silica gel; 7:3 hexane/ethyl acetate R_f = 0.4; brown solid; mp 255-256 °C;

yield 71% (62 mg); ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.20 (s, 1H), 7.64 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.46 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.34-7.2 (m, 4H), 7.16-7.11 (m, 7H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 161.3, 157.4, 148.3, 141.4, 135.1, 134.3, 134.2, 134.1, 131.3, 130.8, 129.9, 129.8, 128.3, 127.72, 127.70, 124.2, 121.2, 119.4, 119.2; FT-IR (neat) 2923, 1725, 1616, 1448, 1234, 1616, 960, 699 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{15}\text{NO}_2\text{Br}$: 428.0281, found 428.0272.



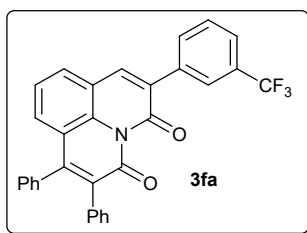
6-Methyl-1,2-diphenyl-3H,5H-pyrido[3,2,1-ij]quinoline-3,5-dione 3da.

Analytical TLC on silica gel; 7:3 hexane/ethyl acetate $R_f = 0.4$; brown solid; mp 230-231 $^{\circ}\text{C}$; yield 74% (54 mg); ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.60-7.58 (m, 2H), 7.35-7.34 (m, 1H), 7.29-7.26 (m, 4H), 7.11-7.11 (m, 7H), 2.33 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 162.8, 162.0, 148.2, 136.4, 135.5, 134.5, 134.2, 134.1, 132.9, 130.9, 129.9, 129.8, 129.7, 123.7, 120.7, 119.4, 17.698; FT-IR (neat) 2923, 1715, 1459, 1442, 1150, 765 752, 702 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{18}\text{NO}_2$: 364.1332, found 364.1333.



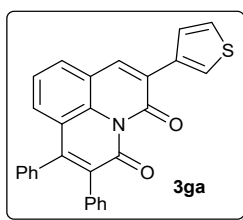
1,2,6-Triphenyl-3H,5H-pyrido[3,2,1-ij]quinoline-3,5-dione 3ea.

Analytical TLC on silica gel; 7:3 hexane/ethyl acetate $R_f = 0.4$; brown solid; mp 258-259 $^{\circ}\text{C}$; yield 69% (59 mg); ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.85 (s, 1H), 7.78-7.76 (m, 2H), 7.71-7.70 m, 1H), 7.48 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.43-7.40 (m, 2H), 7.32-7.29 (m, 4H), 7.17-7.13 (m, 7H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 161.9, 161.6, 148.1, 137.0, 135.4, 134.9, 134.5, 134.4, 131.0, 130.6, 130.5, 129.9, 129.1, 128.9, 128.5, 128.3, 128.2, 127.6, 127.5, 123.8, 120.7, 119.4; FT-IR (neat) 2922, 1721, 1664, 1444, 1275, 1153, 753, 698 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{20}\text{NO}_2$: 426.1489, found 426.1490.



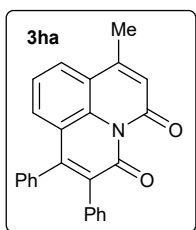
1,2-Diphenyl-6-(3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-3H,5H-pyrido[3,2,1-ij]quinoline-3,5-dione 3fa. Analytical TLC on silica gel; 7:3 hexane/ethyl acetate $R_f = 0.35$;

brown solid; mp 262-263 °C; yield 62% (61 mg); ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.01 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 2H), 7.91 (s, 1H), 7.75 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.68 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.60 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.46 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.35-7.30 (m, 4H), 7.19-7.14 (m, 7H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 161.8, 161.2, 148.2, 137.9, 136.1, 135.2, 134.5, 134.4, 134.3, 133.4, 132.6, 131.1 ($J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 32.0 Hz), 131.0, 130.97, 130.95, 129.9, 128.954, 128.3, 128.3, 127.6, 125.9 ($J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 3.8 Hz), 125.5 ($J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 4.0 Hz), 125.2 ($J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 270.7 Hz), 124.0, 120.8, 119.1; ^{19}F NMR (470 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -62.50; FT-IR (neat) 3059, 2922, 1720, 1663, 1442, 1332, 1217, 1153, 1124, 1075, 750, 697 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{19}\text{F}_3\text{NO}_2$: 494.1362, found 494.1356.



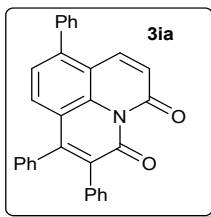
1,2-Diphenyl-6-(thiophen-3-yl)-3H,5H-pyrido[3,2,1-ij]quinoline-3,5-

dione 3ga. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 7:3 hexane/ethyl acetate R_f = 0.42; brown solid; mp 244-245 °C; yield 64% (56 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.32-8.31 (m, 1H), 8.00 (s, 1H), 7.72-7.70 (m, 1H), 7.61-7.59 (m, 1H), 7.41-7.39 (m, 2H), 7.33-7.29 (m, 4H), 7.18-7.13 (m, 7H); ^{13}C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 162.0, 161.2, 148.1, 135.4, 134.8, 134.7, 134.5, 134.4, 133.8, 131.0, 130.5, 130.3, 129.9, 129.0, 128.3, 128.2, 127.6, 127.5, 126.8, 126.6, 125.4, 123.8, 120.6, 119.3; FT-IR (neat) 2924, 1719, 1661, 1444, 1149, 699 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{18}\text{NO}_2\text{S}$: 432.1053, found 432.1050.



7-Methyl-1,2-diphenyl-3H,5H-pyrido[3,2,1-ij]quinoline-3,5-dione 3ha.

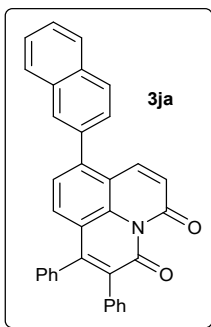
Analytical TLC on silica gel; 3:2 hexane/ethyl acetate R_f = 0.32; brown solid; mp 230-231 °C; yield 73% (52.5 mg); ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.83 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.33-7.29 (m, 4H), 7.16-7.11 (m, 7H), 6.67 (s, 1H), 2.53 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 161.7, 161.6, 148.2, 147.7, 135.5, 134.8, 134.3, 134.2, 131.0, 130.9, 129.9, 128.3, 128.2, 127.6, 127.5, 127.1, 123.5, 123.4, 121.2, 120.6, 19.417; FT-IR (neat) 3057, 2923, 1720, 1664, 1443, 1256, 1205, 1146, 744, 710 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{18}\text{NO}_2$: 364.1332, found 364.1338.



1,2,8-Triphenyl-3H,5H-pyrido[3,2,1-ij]quinoline-3,5-dione

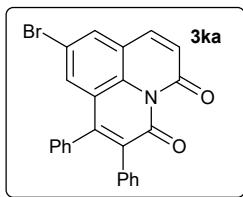
3ia.

Analytical TLC on silica gel; 3:2 hexane/ethyl acetate R_f = 0.3; brown solid; mp 210-211 °C; yield 67% (56 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.81 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 7.54-7.48 (m, 3H), 7.46 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.40-7.37 (m, 2H), 7.34-7.28 (m, 4H), 7.17-7.14 (m, 7H), 6.714 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 162.1, 161.7, 148.1, 144.1, 138.4, 138.0, 135.6, 135.4, 134.3, 134.0, 130.9, 130.6, 130.0, 129.9, 128.8, 128.6, 128.3, 128.3, 127.6, 127.5, 125.4, 123.8, 120.2, 117.3; FT-IR (neat) 3057, 1727, 1667, 1442, 1275, 1147, 763, 697 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{20}\text{NO}_2$: 426.1489, found 426.1491.



8-(Naphthalen-2-yl)-1,2-diphenyl-3H,5H-pyrido[3,2,1-ij]quinoline-3,5-

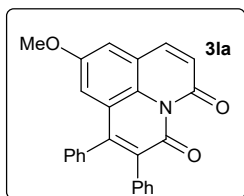
dione 3ja. Analytical TLC on silica gel; 7:3 hexane/ethyl acetate R_f = 0.33; brown solid; mp 231-232 °C; yield 65% (61.5 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.00 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.95-7.91 (m, 2H), 7.86-7.83 (m, 2H), 7.61-7.56 (m, 2H), 7.51-7.47 (m, 2H), 7.37-7.31 (m, 4H), 7.19-7.16 (m, 7H), 6.72 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 162.1, 161.7, 148.2, 144.1, 138.1, 135.8, 135.6, 135.4, 134.3, 134.0, 133.1, 133.0, 130.9, 130.6, 129.9, 129.3, 128.5, 128.3, 128.3, 127.9, 127.6, 127.5, 127.1, 127.0, 125.6, 123.9, 120.3, 117.4.; FT-IR (neat) 5034, 2924, 1724, 16649, 1570, 1441, 1275, 1148, 763, 750, 702 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{34}\text{H}_{22}\text{NO}_2$: 476.1645, found 476.1648.



9-Bromo-1,2-diphenyl-3H,5H-pyrido[3,2,1-ij]quinoline-3,5-dione 3ka.

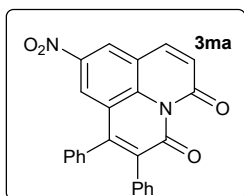
Analytical TLC on silica gel; 3:2 hexane/ethyl acetate R_f = 0.30; brown solid; mp 251-252 °C; yield 77% (66 mg); ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.78 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (d, J = 10.0

Hz, 1H), 7.49 (d, $J = 2.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.32-7.31 (m, 3H), 7.18-7.15 (m, 3H), 7.12-7.10 (m, 4H), 6.81 (d, $J = 10.0$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 161.3, 161.2, 147.1, 138.7, 135.5, 134.6, 133.9, 133.8, 132.9, 132.6, 130.7, 129.7, 128.6, 128.5, 127.7, 127.6, 125.6, 122.9, 121.0, 116.9; FT-IR (neat) 3060, 1723, 1565, 1444, 1252, 1153, 1113, 741, 699 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{15}\text{NO}_2\text{Br}$: 428.0281, found 428.0283.



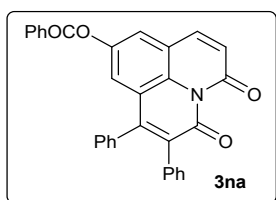
9-Methoxy-1,2-diphenyl-3H,5H-pyrido[3,2,1-ij]quinoline-3,5-dione

3la. Analytical TLC on silica gel; 3:2 hexane/ethyl acetate $R_f = 0.28$; brown solid; mp 245-246 $^{\circ}\text{C}$; yield 72% (54 mg); ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.67 (d, $J = 9.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.31-7.28 (m, 3H), 7.17-7.10 (m, 8H), 6.96 (d, $J = 2.5$ Hz, 1H), 6.79 (d, $J = 9.5$ Hz, 1H), 3.7 (s, 3H).; ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 161.7, 161.7, 155.5, 147.8, 139.5, 135.3, 135.0, 134.4, 130.9, 129.8, 129.4, 128.3, 128.3, 127.5, 127.5, 125.1, 122.5, 120.5, 117.0, 114.7, 55.872; FT-IR (neat) 3060, 2922, 1715, 1590, 1461, 1349, 1291, 1148, 1054, 764, 750, 702 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{18}\text{NO}_3$: 380.1281, found 380.1286.



9-Nitro-1,2-diphenyl-3H,5H-pyrido[3,2,1-ij]quinoline-3,5-dione 3ma.

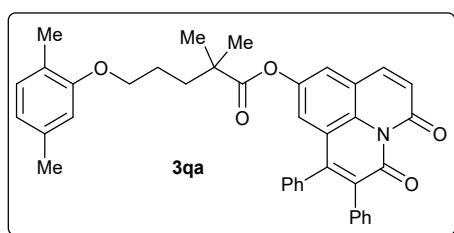
Analytical TLC on silica gel; 1:1 hexane/ethyl acetate $R_f = 0.27$; brown solid; mp 275-276 $^{\circ}\text{C}$; yield 48% (38 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.52 (d, $J = 2.4$ Hz, 1H), 8.27 (d, $J = 2.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.83 (d, $J = 9.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.37-7.35 (m, 3H), 7.20-7.19 (m, 3H), 7.15-7.12 (m, 4H), 6.918 (d, $J = 10.0$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 160.9, 160.6, 147.3, 143.4, 138.9, 138.3, 136.2, 134.0, 133.4, 130.7, 129.7, 129.1, 128.9, 128.1, 127.8, 126.4, 125.0, 124.6, 122.0, 119.8; FT-IR (neat) 6063, 2929, 1733, 1527, 1447, 1334, 747, 700 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{15}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4$: 395.1026, found 395.1032.



3,5-Dioxo-1,2-diphenyl-3H,5H-pyrido[3,2,1-ij]quinolin-9-yl

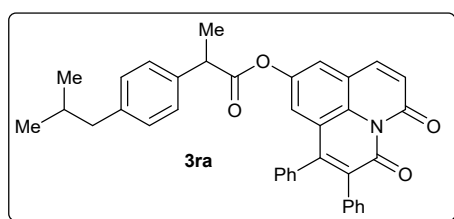
benzoate 3na. Analytical TLC on silica gel; 3:2 hexane/ethyl acetate $R_f = 0.37$; brown solid;

mp 212-213 °C; yield 67% (64 mg); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.15 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.72 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.57 (d, *J* = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.31-7.30 (m, 3H), 7.25-7.4 (m, 1H), 7.17-7.14 (m, 7H), 6.84 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) 165.1, 161.5, 147.5, 146.6, 139.3, 135.3, 134.9, 134.2, 134.1, 132.7, 130.8, 130.4, 129.8, 128.8, 128.5, 128.4, 127.7, 127.6, 125.4, 123.7, 123.5, 122.4, 120.53; FT-IR (neat) 3060, 2925, 1726, 1592, 1449, 1248, 1147, 1061, 750, 702 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) *m/z* [M+H]⁺ calcd for C₃₁H₂₀NO₄: 470.1387, found 470.1389.



3,5-Dioxo-1,2-diphenyl-3H,5H-pyrido[3,2,1-

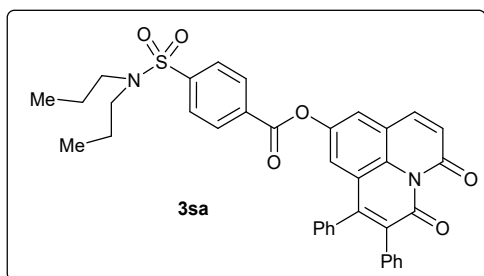
ij]quinolin-9-yl 5-(2,5-dimethylphenoxy)-2,2-dimethylpentanoate 3qa. Analytical TLC on silica gel; 7:3 hexane/ethyl acetate *R_f* = 0.35; brown sticky liquid; yield 61% (72 mg); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.62 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (d, *J* = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 7.25-7.20 (m, 3H), 7.16-7.14 (m, 3H), 7.13-7.10 (m, 4H), 7.07 (d, *J* = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 7.00 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 6.80 (d, *J* = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 6.68 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.59 (s, 1H), 3.91 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 2.30 (s, 3H), 2.12 (s, 3H), 1.87-1.83 (m, 2H), 1.80-1.76 (m, 2H), 1.32 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 176.4, 161.5, 156.9, 147.5, 146.7, 139.2, 136.6, 135.1, 134.8, 132.5, 130.8, 130.5, 129.8, 128.44, 128.40, 127.7, 127.6, 125.2, 123.6, 123.4, 123.3, 122.3, 120.9, 120.4, 112.0, 67.6, 42.6, 37.2, 25.3, 25.1, 21.5, 15.9; FT-IR (neat) 3059, 2925, 1727, 1667, 1450, 1251, 1149, 1105, 705 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) *m/z* [M+H]⁺ calcd for C₃₉H₃₆NO₅: 598.2588, found 598.2584.



3,5-Dioxo-1,2-diphenyl-3H,5H-pyrido[3,2,1-

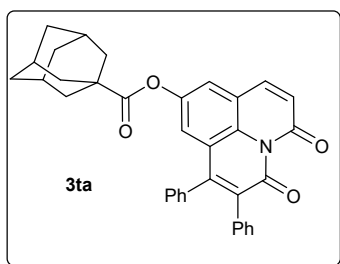
ij]quinolin-9-yl 2-(4-isobutylphenyl)propanoate 3ra. Analytical TLC on silica gel; 7:3 hexane/ethyl acetate *R_f* = 0.38; brown sticky liquid; yield 64% (70.5 mg); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.63 (d, *J* = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 7.31-7.29 (m, 4H), 7.21 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.16-7.14 (m, 3H), 7.12-7.09 (m, 6H), 7.04 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.79 (d, *J* = 10.2 Hz, 1H), 3.90-3.86 (m, 1H), 2.46 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.88-1.81 (m, 1H), 1.55 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 0.91 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 6H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 173.2, 161.4, 147.4, 146.5, 141.1, 139.2, 136.9, 135.1, 134.9,

134.1, 132.6, 130.8, 129.8, 129.7, 128.4, 127.7, 127.6, 127.2, 125.2, 123.4, 123.1, 122.2, 120.3, 45.2, 45.1, 30.3, 22.5, 18.6; FT-IR (neat) 3056, 2954, 1755, 1727, 1455, 1443, 1286, 1250, 1145, 765, 750, 702 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI) m/z $[M+H]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{37}\text{H}_{32}\text{NO}_4$: 554.2326, found 554.2320.



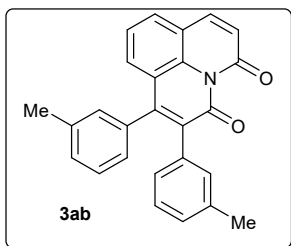
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ij]quinolin-9-yl 4-(N,N-dipropylsulfamoyl)benzoate 3sa. Analytical TLC on silica gel; 7:3 hexane/ethyl acetate R_f = 0.33; brown sticky liquid; yield 58% (74 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.27 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.93 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.72 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 7.58 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 7.30-7.27 (m, 3H), 7.25 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 7.18-7.12 (m, 7H), 6.85 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 3.13-3.09 (m, 4H), 1.58-1.50 (m, 5H), 0.89 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 6H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 163.8, 161.4, 161.4, 147.4, 146.2, 145.6, 139.1, 135.5, 134.9, 134.0, 132.9, 132.0, 131.0, 130.8, 129.8, 128.5, 128.5, 127.7, 127.6, 127.3, 125.5, 123.4, 123.2, 122.5, 120.6, 50.0, 22.0, 11.2. FT-IR (neat) 3057, 9965, 2931, 1725, 1452, 1342, 1251, 1153, 1071, 992, 751, 701 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI) m/z $[M+H]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{37}\text{H}_{33}\text{N}_2\text{O}_6\text{S}$: 633.2054, found 633.2055.



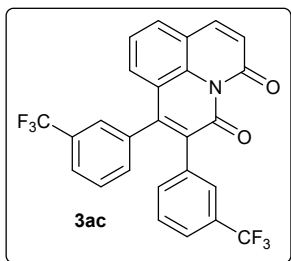
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adamantane-1-carboxylate 3ta. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 7:3 hexane/ethyl acetate R_f = 0.40; brown sticky liquid; yield 65% (66 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.67 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.32-7.28 (m, 3H), 7.17-7.10 (m, 7H), 7.07 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 6.81 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 2.06 (s, 3H), 2.00 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 6H), 1.78-1.70 (m, 6H); ^{13}C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 176.1, 161.5, 161.5, 147.5, 146.8, 139.2, 135.1, 134.9, 134.2, 132.5, 130.8, 129.9, 128.4, 127.6, 127.6, 125.2, 123.4, 122.2, 120.3, 41.2, 38.7, 36.4, 27.9; FT-IR (neat) 2907, 2853, 1726, 1449, 1207, 1180, 1048, 703 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI) m/z $[M+H]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{35}\text{H}_{30}\text{NO}_4$: 528.2169, found 528.2169.



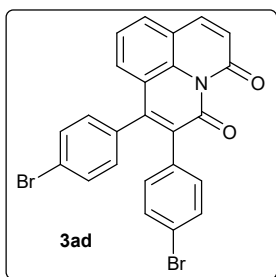
1,2-Di-*m*-tolyl-3H,5H-pyrido[3,2,1-*ij*]quinoline-3,5-dione 3ab.

Analytical TLC on silica gel; 3:2 hexane/ethyl acetate R_f = 0.33; brown solid; mp 223-224 °C; yield 68% (52 mg); ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.73 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.44-7.43 (m, 1H), 7.31 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.09 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.00 (s, 1H), 6.96-6.89 (m, 4H), 6.79 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 2.28 (s, 3H), 2.21 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 161.93, 161.90, 148.2, 139.9, 137.8, 136.9, 135.3, 134.8, 134.4, 134.2, 131.5, 131.1, 130.5, 130.4, 128.9, 128.2, 128.1, 127.9, 127.4, 126.9, 124.4, 123.7, 121.2, 119.4, 21.5, 21.4; FT-IR (neat) 3054, 2922, 1718, 1665, 1258, 1137, 837, 774, 703 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{20}\text{NO}_2$: 378.1489, found 378.1496.



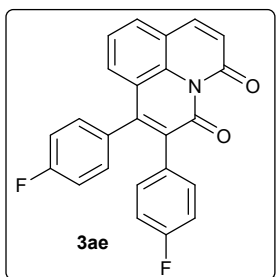
1,2-Bis(3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-3H,5H-pyrido[3,2,1-*ij*]quinoline-3,5-dione 3ac.

Analytical TLC on silica gel; 3:2 hexane/ethyl acetate R_f = 0.3; colourless solid; mp 240-241 °C; yield 67% (68 mg); ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.77-7.73 (m, 2H), 7.59 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.40-7.37 (m, 4H), 7.35-7.31 (m, 2H), 7.30 (s, 1H), 6.82 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 161.5, 161.0, 147.5, 140.0, 135.7, 135.0, 134.6, 134.2, 133.6, 133.0, 131.5, 131.1 ($J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 33.0 Hz), 130.7, 130.1 ($J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 32.0 Hz), 129.2, 128.3, 127.8 ($J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 3.8 Hz), 126.7 ($J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 3.6 Hz), 125.4 ($J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 3.8 Hz), 124.6 ($J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 3.6 Hz), 124.6, 124.3, 122.7 ($J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 270.6 Hz), 122.5 ($J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 270.5 Hz), 120.1, 119.7; ^{19}F NMR (470 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -63.00, -63.05; FT-IR (neat) 3064, 1723, 1666, 1433, 1331, 1123, 1075, 834, 707 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{13}\text{F}_6\text{NO}_2\text{Na}$: 508.0743, found 508.0739.



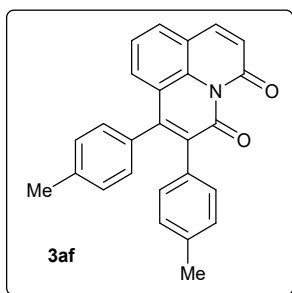
1,2-Bis(4-bromophenyl)-3H,5H-pyrido[3,2,1-ij]quinoline-3,5-dione

3ad. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 3:2 hexane/ethyl acetate $R_f = 0.32$; dark brown solid; mp 272-273°C; yield 76% (76.5 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.74 (d, $J = 9.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.70 (dd, $J = 1.6, 7.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.49-7.47 (m, 2H), 7.39-7.32 (m, 4H), 7.02-6.99 (m, 4H), 6.79 (d, $J = 9.6$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 161.6, 161.2, 147.2, 139.9, 134.9, 133.9, 133.4, 132.9, 132.5, 131.9, 131.4, 131.1, 131.1, 130.8, 124.5, 124.0, 122.9, 122.2, 120.5, 119.6; FT-IR (neat) 3062, 2924, 1717, 1567, 1486, 1252, 1148, 1071, 1011, 802, 776 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{14}\text{Br}_2\text{NO}_2$: 505.9386, found 505.9394.



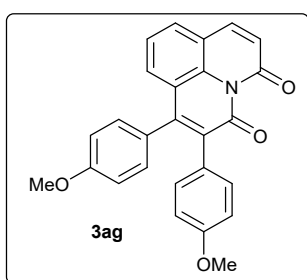
1,2-Bis(4-fluorophenyl)-3H,5H-pyrido[3,2,1-ij]quinoline-3,5-dione

3ae. Analytical TLC on silica gel; 3:2 hexane/ethyl acetate $R_f = 0.29$; dark brown solid; mp 255-256 °C; yield 71% (54 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.75 (d, $J = 9.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.70-7.67 (m, 1H), 7.42-7.39 (m, 1H), 7.35 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.12-7.07 (m, 4H), 7.05 (t, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 2H), 6.91 (t, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 6.80 (d, $J = 10.0$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 163.5 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 247.7$ Hz), 163.1 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 246.1$ Hz), 161.6, 161.5, 147.5, 139.9, 134.9, 133.8, 132.7 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 8.1$ Hz), 131.7 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 8.1$ Hz), 131.1 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 3.6$ Hz), 130.9, 130.8, 130.1 ($J_{\text{C-F}} = 3.7$ Hz), 124.5, 123.9, 120.9, 119.6, 115.8 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 21.7$ Hz), 114.9, (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 21.3$ Hz); ^{19}F NMR (470 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -112.31, -113.85; FT-IR (neat) 3069, 1721, 1600, 1507, 1224, 1155, 838, 816 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{14}\text{FNO}_2$: 386.0987, found 386.0974.



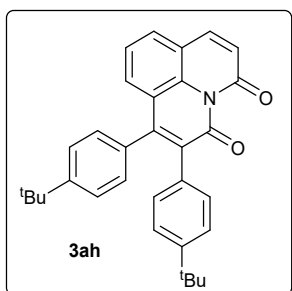
1,2-Di-p-tolyl-3H,5H-pyrido[3,2,1-ij]quinoline-3,5-dione 3af.

Analytical TLC on silica gel; 3:2 hexane/ethyl acetate R_f = 0.32; brown solid; mp 268-269 °C; yield 75% (55.5 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.72 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (dd, J = 1.5, 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (dd, J = 1.5, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.30 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.12 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.04-6.97 (m, 7H), 6.78 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 2.34 (s, 3H), 2.25 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 162.0, 161.9, 147.9, 139.8, 137.9, 137.1, 134.8, 134.3, 132.5, 131.4, 131.1, 130.8, 130.4, 129.8, 129.0, 128.3, 124.4, 123.7, 121.4, 119.4, 21.44, 21.41; FT-IR (neat) 3025, 2920, 1720, 1569, 1252, 1147, 1113, 838, 798, 748 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{20}\text{NO}_2$: 378.1489, found 378.1492.



1,2-Bis(4-methoxyphenyl)-3H,5H-pyrido[3,2,1-ij]quinoline-3,5-

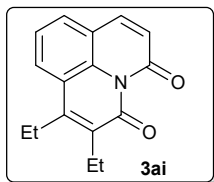
dione 3ag. Yield: trace; HRMS (ESI) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{20}\text{NO}_4$: 410.1387, found 410.1396.



1,2-Bis(4-(tert-butyl)phenyl)-3H,5H-pyrido[3,2,1-ij]quinoline-3,5-

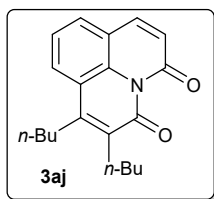
dione 3ah. Analytical TLC on silica gel; 7:3 hexane/ethyl acetate R_f = 0.35; brown solid; mp 265-266 °C; yield 70% (63 mg); ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.73 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.32-7.27 (m, 3H), 7.15 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.04 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 4H), 6.78 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 1.28 (s, 9H), 1.22 (s, 9H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 161.9, 151.2, 150.1, 148.2, 139.9, 134.9, 134.4, 132.5, 131.4, 131.1, 130.6, 130.4,

129.7, 125.0, 124.4, 124.3, 123.7, 121.3, 119.4, 34.7, 34.5, 31.34, 31.33; FT-IR (neat) 2959, 1722, 1567, 1457, 1254, 1152, 1115, 837, 812, 752 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{32}\text{NO}_2$: 462.2428, found 462.2435.



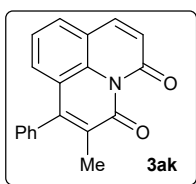
1,2-Diethyl-3H,5H-pyrido[3,2,1-ij]quinoline-3,5-dione 3ai. Analytical

TLC on silica gel; 7:3 hexane/ethyl acetate R_f = 0.4; sticky brown liquid; yield 61% (31 mg); ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.89 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.73 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 2.95-2.91 (m, 2H), 2.81-2.77 (m, 2H), 1.32 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 3H), 1.24 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 162.1, 147.1, 139.9, 135.2, 134.5, 129.8, 127.3, 124.3, 123.9, 120.0, 119.7, 22.134, 21.1, 14.4, 13.8.; FT-IR (neat) 2970, 1715, 1456, 1234, 1124, 839, 751 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{16}\text{NO}_2$: 254.1176, found 254.1171.



1,2-Dibutyl-3H,5H-pyrido[3,2,1-ij]quinoline-3,5-dione 3aj. Analytical

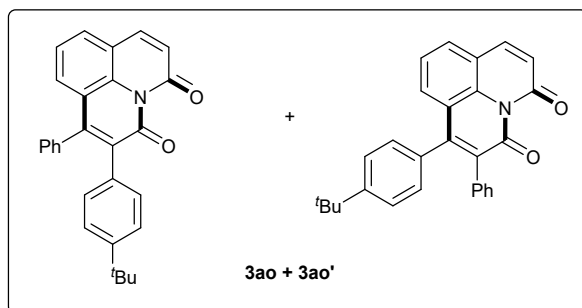
TLC on silica gel; 7:3 hexane/ethyl acetate R_f = 0.4; brown liquid; yield 56% (34 mg); ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.85 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 7.60 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.72 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 2.88 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.75 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 1.59-1.45 (m, 8 H), 1.03 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H), 0.97 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 162.2, 162.1, 146.0, 139.8, 134.4, 134.3, 129.7, 127.4, 124.2, 123.8, 120.3, 119.6, 32.1, 31.4, 28.8, 27.7, 23.3, 23.3, 14.1, 14.0; FT-IR (neat) 2957, 2928, 2862, 1717, 1662, 1568, 1251, 1125, 838, 751 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{24}\text{NO}_2$: 310.1802, found 310.1805.



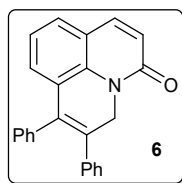
2-Methyl-1-phenyl-3H,5H-pyrido[3,2,1-ij]quinoline-3,5-dione 3ak.

Analytical TLC on silica gel; 3:2 hexane/ethyl acetate R_f = 0.35; brown solid; mp 245-246 $^{\circ}\text{C}$; yield 69% (39.5 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.72 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 7.61-7.60 (m,

1H), 7.56-7.49 (m, 3H), 7.26-7.21 (m, 4H), 6.78 (d, $J = 9.6$ Hz, 1H), 2.06 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 162.8, 162.0, 147.2, 140.0, 135.9, 134.1, 130.7, 130.3, 129.9, 129.0, 128.8, 128.6, 124.3, 123.8, 121.3, 119.4, 15.2; DEPT-135 (125 MHz, CDCl_3) 140.0 (upward), 130.3 (upward), 129.9 (upward), 129.0 (upward), 128.7 (upward), 128.6 (upward), 124.3 (upward), 123.8 (upward), 15.2 (upward); FT-IR (neat) 3063, 1720, 1632, 1569, 1351, 1253, 1129, 761 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{14}\text{NO}_2$: 288.1019, found 288.1019.

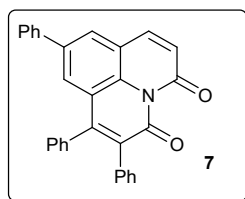


2-(4-(*tert*-Butyl)phenyl)-1-phenyl-3H,5H-pyrido[3,2,1-*ij*]quinoline-3,5-dioneb (3ao) and 1-(4-(*tert*-Butyl)phenyl)-2-phenyl-3H, 5H-pyrido[3,2,1-*ij*]quinoline-3,5-dione (3ao'). Analytical TLC on silica gel; 3:2 hexane/ethyl acetate $R_f = 0.4$; thick brown liquid; yield 69% (58 mg); 1:1 mixture of regioisomers; ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.73 (d, $J = 9.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.66-7.63 (m, 2H), 7.50 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.43 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.32-7.26 (m, 7H), 7.17-7.12 (m, 9H), 7.07-7.02 (m, 4H), 6.78 (d, $J = 9.5$ Hz, 2H), 1.29 (s, 9H), 1.23 (s, 9H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 162.0, 161.9, 161.87, 161.86, 151.3, 150.3, 148.3, 147.7, 140.0, 139.9, 135.5, 135.0, 134.9, 134.5, 134.4, 134.3, 132.2, 131.2, 131.1, 131.0, 130.7, 130.6, 130.5, 130.0, 129.6, 128.2, 128.1, 127.5, 127.4, 125.1, 124.5, 124.45, 124.44, 123.7, 121.3, 121.2, 119.5, 119.4, 34.7, 34.5, 31.4, 31.3; FT-IR (neat) 3063, 2960, 1723, 1454, 1254, 1150, 947, 837, 701 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{24}\text{NO}_2$: 406.1802, found 406.1790.



6,7-Diphenyl-3H,5H-pyrido[3,2,1-*ij*]quinolin-3-one 6. Analytical TLC on silica gel; 9:1 hexane/ethyl acetate $R_f = 0.35$; colorless solid; mp 203-204 $^{\circ}\text{C}$; yield 68% (23 mg); ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.75 (d, $J = 9.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.38 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.29-7.26 (m, 2H), 7.25-7.22 (m, 1H), 7.17-7.09 (m, 7H), 7.01 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 6.94 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 6.78 (d, $J = 9.5$ Hz, 1H), 5.21 (s, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 161.7, 139.1, 138.4, 136.8, 135.5, 132.2, 132.0, 130.7, 128.5, 128.5, 128.2, 127.6, 127.4, 127.3, 124.8, 122.2,

121.2, 119.7, 49.0; FT-IR (neat) 3056, 2924, 1644, 1582, 1466, 830, 749, 696 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI) m/z $[M+H]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{18}\text{NO}$: 336.1383, found 336.1384.



1,2,9-Triphenyl-3H,5H-pyrido[3,2,1-ij]quinoline-3,5-dione 7.

Analytical TLC on silica gel; 7:3 hexane/ethyl acetate R_f = 0.35; brown solid; mp 245-246 $^{\circ}\text{C}$; yield 74% (31.5 mg); ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.86 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.80 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.437 (dt, J = 7.5, 15.0 Hz, 4H), 7.46-7.40 (m, 1H), 7.37-7.34 (m, 3H), 7.32-7.29 (m, 7H), 6.83 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 161.7, 161.7, 148.2, 139.9, 139.0, 137.0, 135.2, 134.8, 134.3, 134.1, 130.9, 129.9, 129.4, 129.2, 129.0, 128.4, 128.4, 128.1, 127.63, 127.60, 127.1, 124.8, 121.6, 119.9; FT-IR (neat) 3055, 2923, 2853, 1723, 1454, 1259, 1154, 757, 699 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI) m/z $[M+H]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{20}\text{NO}_2$: 426.1489, found 426.1472.

Mechanistic Investigation

Radical Scavenger Experiment (Scheme 4a). In a pressure tube, quinoline *N*-oxide **1a** (0.2 mmol, 29 mg), diphenylcyclopropanone **2a** (0.24 mmol, 49.5 mg), $[\text{RhCp}^*\text{Cl}_2]_2$ (0.01 mmol, 6 mg), AgBF_4 (0.04 mmol, 8 mg), Ag_2O (0.2 mmol, 46 mg), TEMPO or BHT (1 or 2 equiv), H_2O (50 μL) and $(\text{CH}_2\text{Cl})_2$ (1 mL) were stirred for 2 h at 90 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ under argon atmosphere. The reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and passed through celite pad using CH_2Cl_2 (20 mL). Evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified according to general procedure to isolate **3aa**.

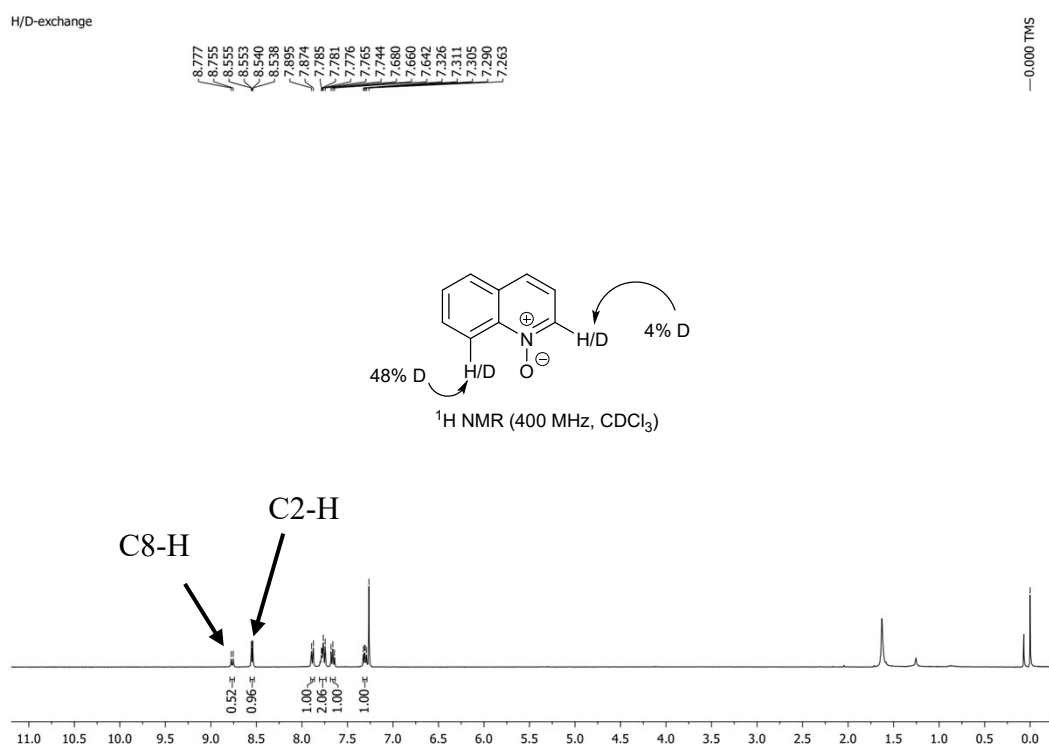
Radical scavenger	Equiv	Yield 3aa
TEMPO	1	65 (45 mg)
	2	60 (42 mg)

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Radical scavenger	Equiv	Yield 3aa
BHT	1	68 (47.5 mg)
	2	66 (46 mg)

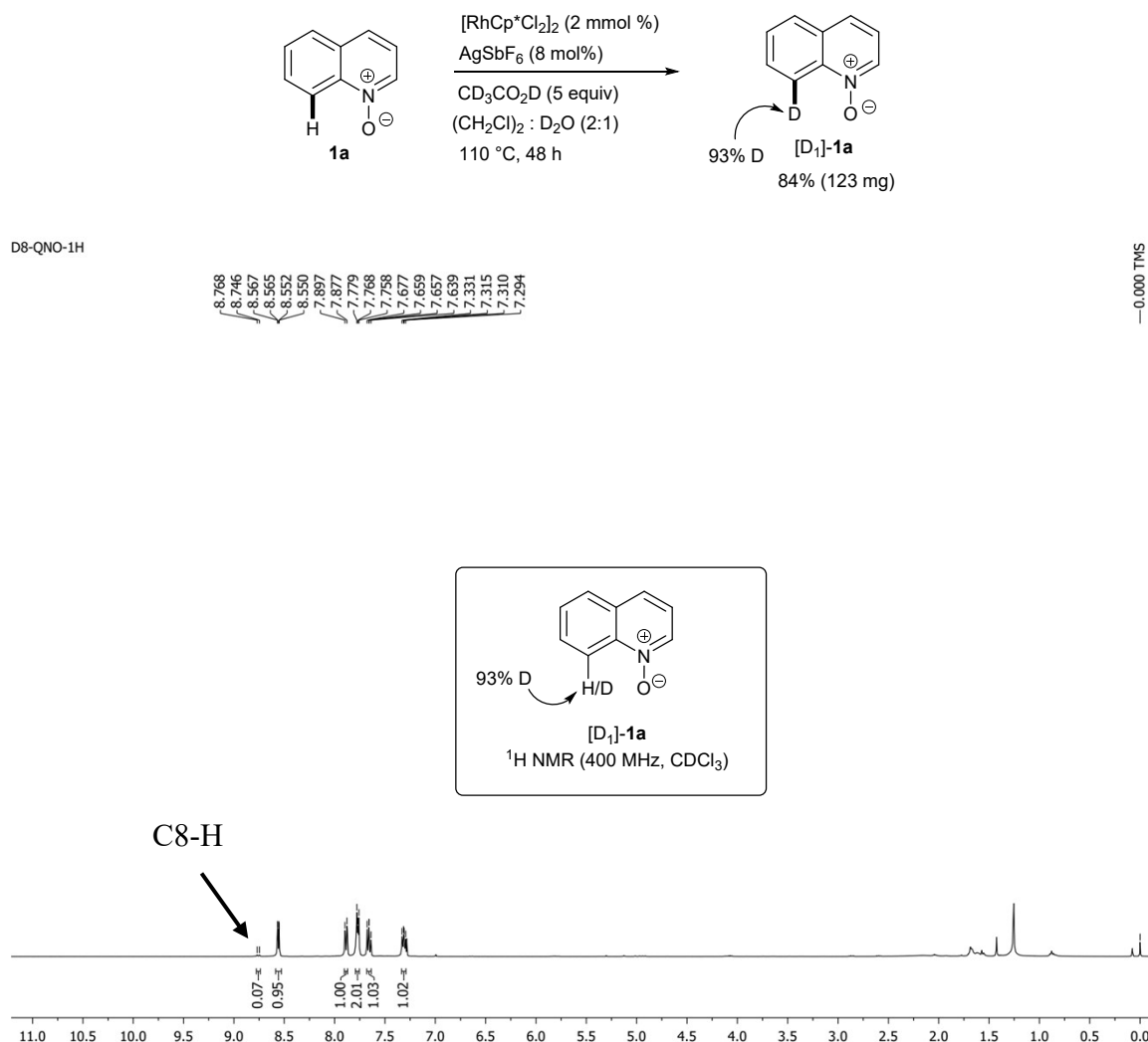
Isotope Labeling Experiment of 1a with D_2O in Absence of 2a (Scheme 4b). In a pressure tube, quinoline *N*-oxide **1a** (0.2 mmol, 29 mg), $[\text{RhCp}^*\text{Cl}_2]_2$ (0.01 mmol, 6 mg), AgBF_4 (0.04 mmol, 8 mg), Ag_2O (0.2 mmol, 46 mg), H_2O (50 μL), $(\text{CH}_2\text{Cl})_2$ (1 mL) and D_2O (6 mmol, 110 μL) were

stirred for 2 h at 90 °C under argon atmosphere. The reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and passed through short celite pad using CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL). Evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified according to general procedure and the starting material was recovered (86%, 25 mg). Deuterium incorporation of the recovered starting material was found to be 48% at C8 position while 4% at C2 position confirmed by using ¹H NMR.



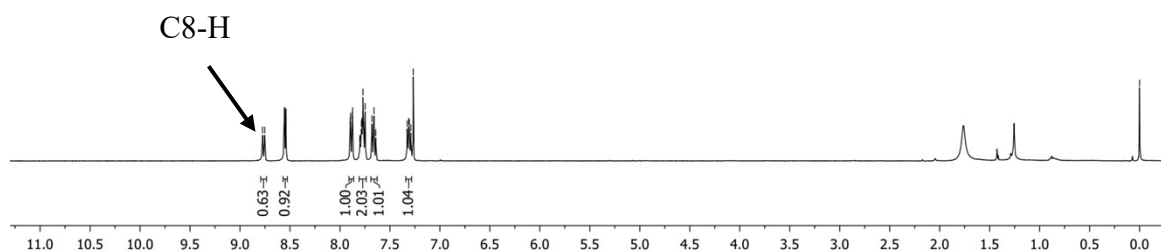
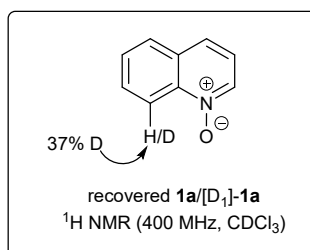
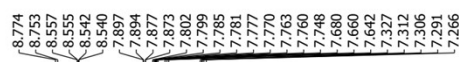
Preparation of Quinoline *N*-oxide-8-d₁ [D₁]-1a.^{1c} In a pressure tube, quinoline *N*-oxide **1a** (1 mmol, 145 mg), [RhCp*Cl₂]₂ (0.02 mmol, 12 mg), AgSbF₆ (0.08 mmol, 28 mg), PivOH (0.1 mmol, 11 mg), CD₃CO₂D (5 mmol, 305 μL), D₂O (0.5 mL) and (CH₂Cl)₂ (1 mL) were stirred at 110 °C for 48 h. The reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and passed through

a short celite pad using CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL). Evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified according to general procedure to afford [D₁]-**1a** in 84% yield (123 mg). The deuterium incorporation at C8 position of the recovered starting material was found 93% using ¹H NMR.



Kinetic Isotope Effect Experiments (Scheme 4c)

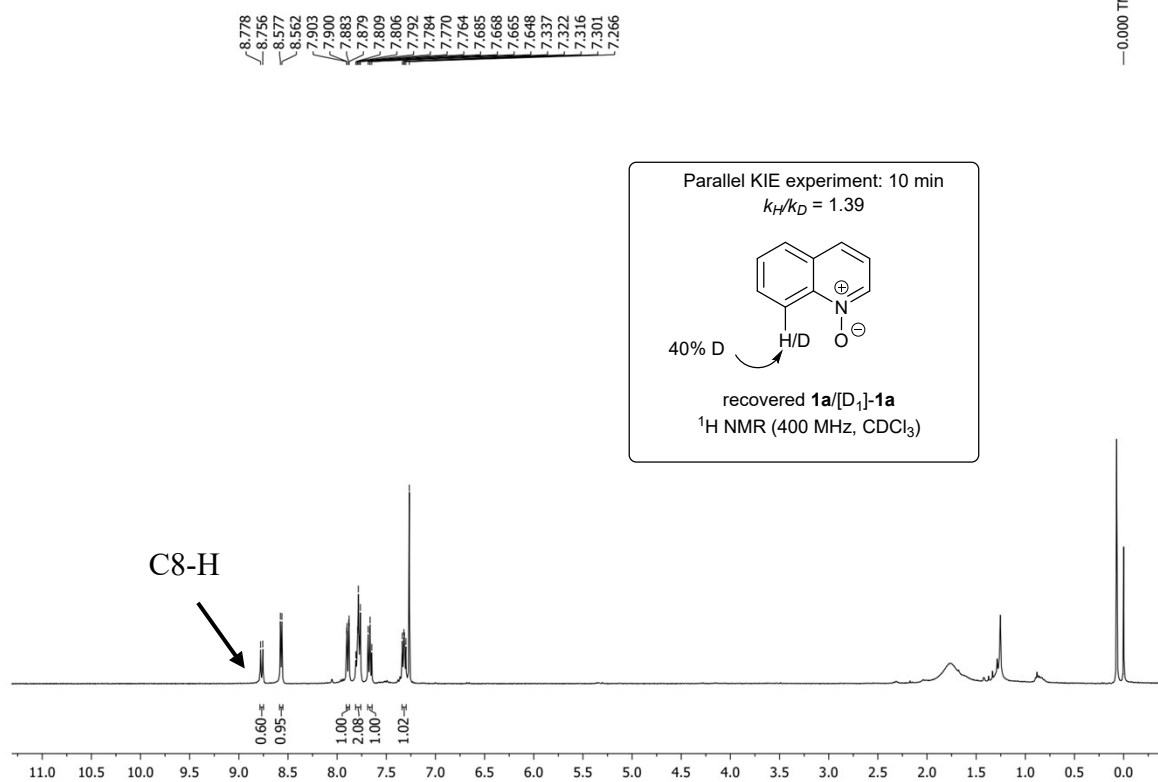
Competitive Kinetic Isotope Experiment. In a pressure tube, *N*-oxide **1a** (0.2 mmol, 29 mg), diphenylcyclopropanone **2a** (0.24 mmol, 49.5 mg), [RhCp*Cl₂]₂ (0.01 mmol, 6 mg), AgBF₄ (0.04 mmol, 8 mg), Ag₂O (0.2 mmol, 46 mg), H₂O (50 μL) and (CH₂Cl)₂ (1 mL) were stirred for 10 minutes at 90 °C under argon atmosphere. The quinoline *N*-oxide **1a**/[D₁]-**1a** was recovered in 73% (22.5 mg) yield by using the general procedure as described. The KIE value was found as $k_H/k_D=1.58$ based on ¹H NMR analysis of recovered **1a**/[D₁]-**1a**.



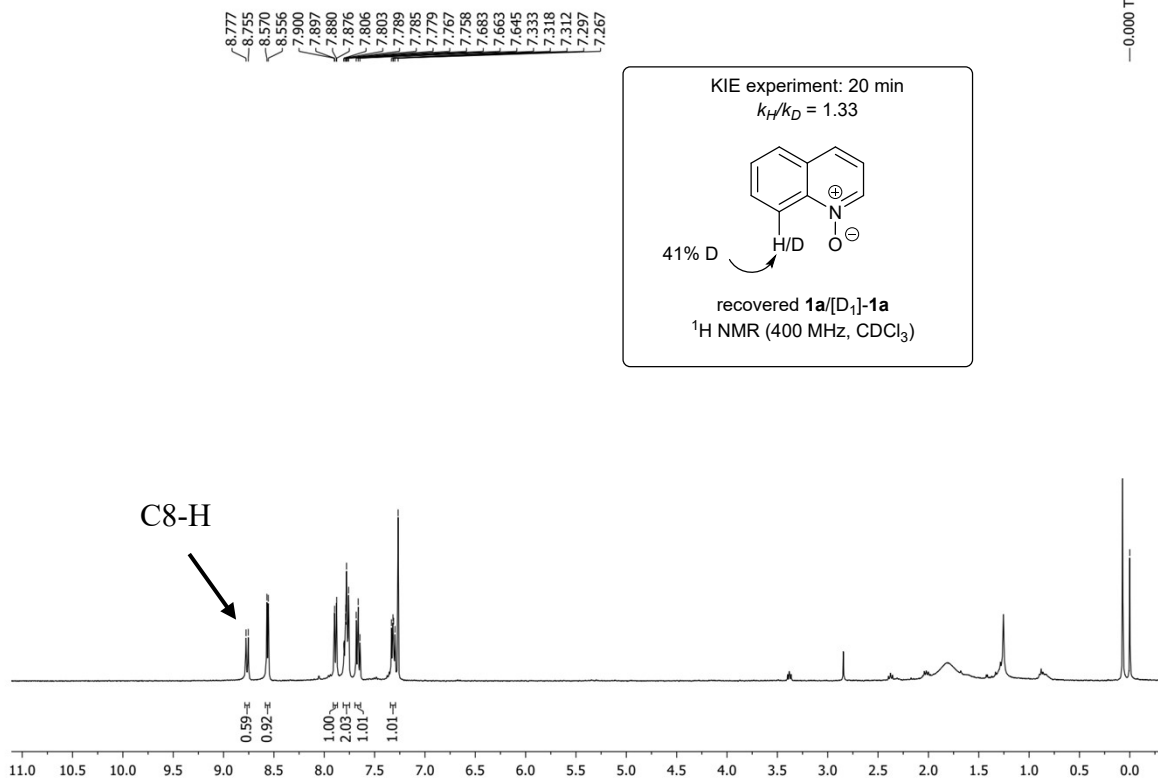
Parallel Kinetic Isotope Experiments. Quinoline *N*-oxide **1a** (0.2 mmol, 29 mg) and quinoline 1-oxide-8-d₁ [D₁]-**1a** (0.2 mmol, 32 mg) were reacted with diphenylcyclopropenone **2a** (0.24 mmol, 49.5 mg) under standard conditions for 10 minutes (set 1), 20 minutes (set 2) and 30 minutes (set 3). Then, the reaction mixtures were mixed and purified according to described general procedure. The recovered *N*-oxide **1a**/[D₁]-**1a** was examined using 400 MHz ¹H NMR analysis.

time (minutes)	k_H/k_D	yield 1a /[D ₁]- 1a
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20	1.33	65%
30	1.39	57%

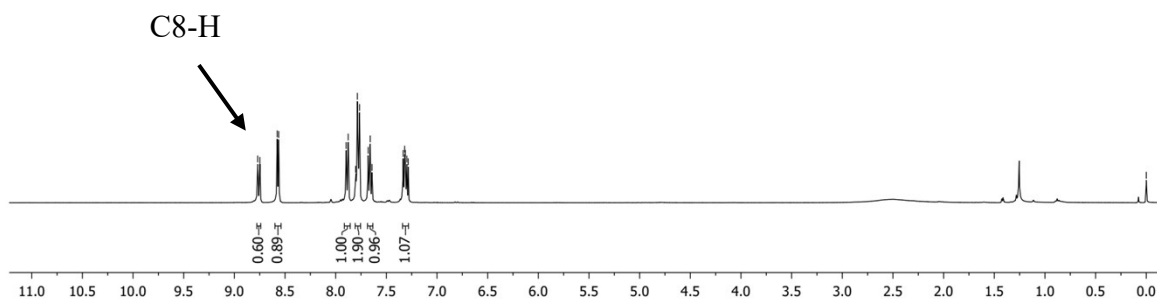
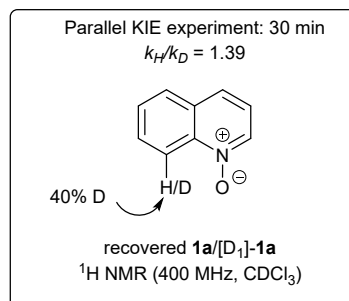
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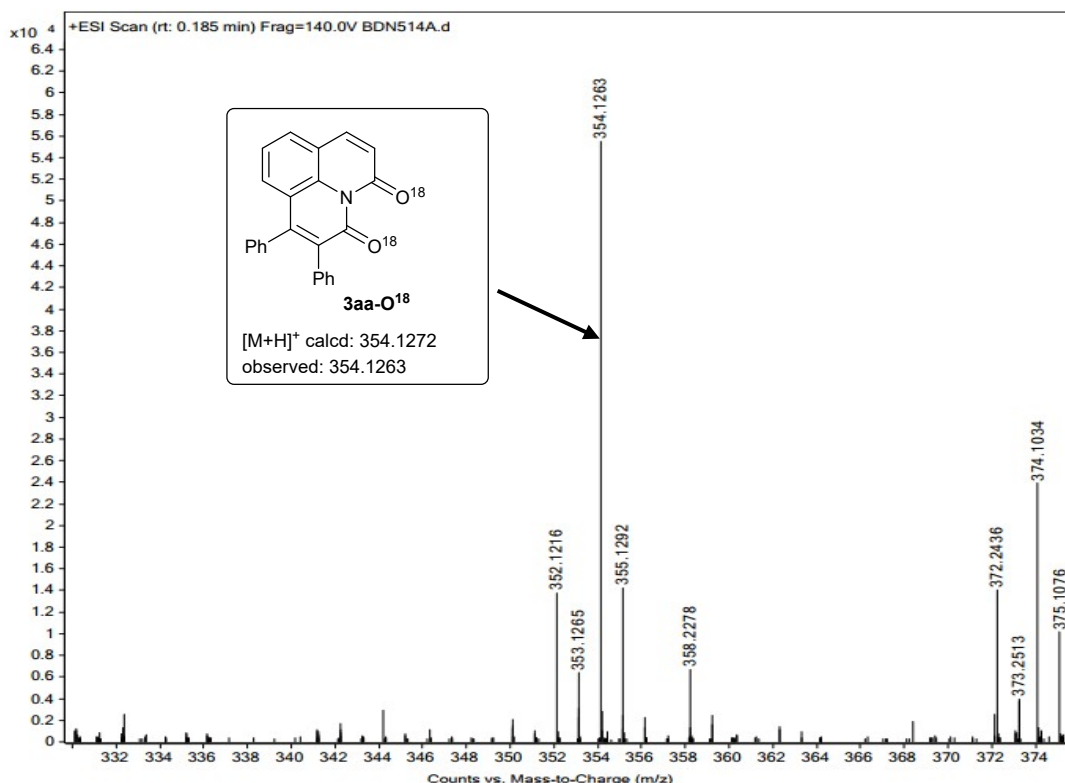


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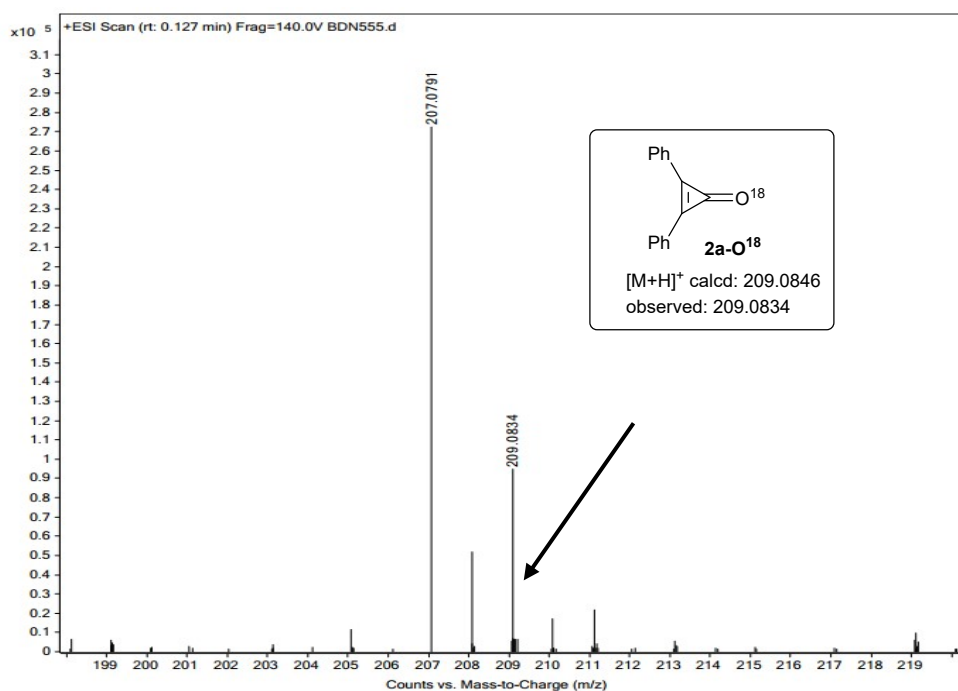
Control Experiments (Scheme 4d)

i) Reaction of 1a and 2a in presence of H₂¹⁸O. In a pressure tube, quinoline *N*-oxide **1a** (0.2 mmol, 29 mg), diphenylcyclopropanone **2a** (0.24 mmol, 49.5 mg), [RhCp*Cl₂]₂ (0.01 mmol, 6 mg), AgBF₄ (0.04 mmol, 8 mg), Ag₂O (0.2 mmol, 46 mg), (CH₂Cl)₂ (1 mL) and H₂¹⁸O (50 μL) were stirred for 2 h at 90 °C under argon atmosphere. The reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and passed through celite pad using CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL). Evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified according to general procedure to isolate **3aa-¹⁸O** in 71% yield (49.5 mg). (ESI) *m/z* [M+H]⁺ calcd for [C₂₄H₁₆N¹⁸O₂]⁺ (**3aa-¹⁸O**): 354.1272, found 354.1263.

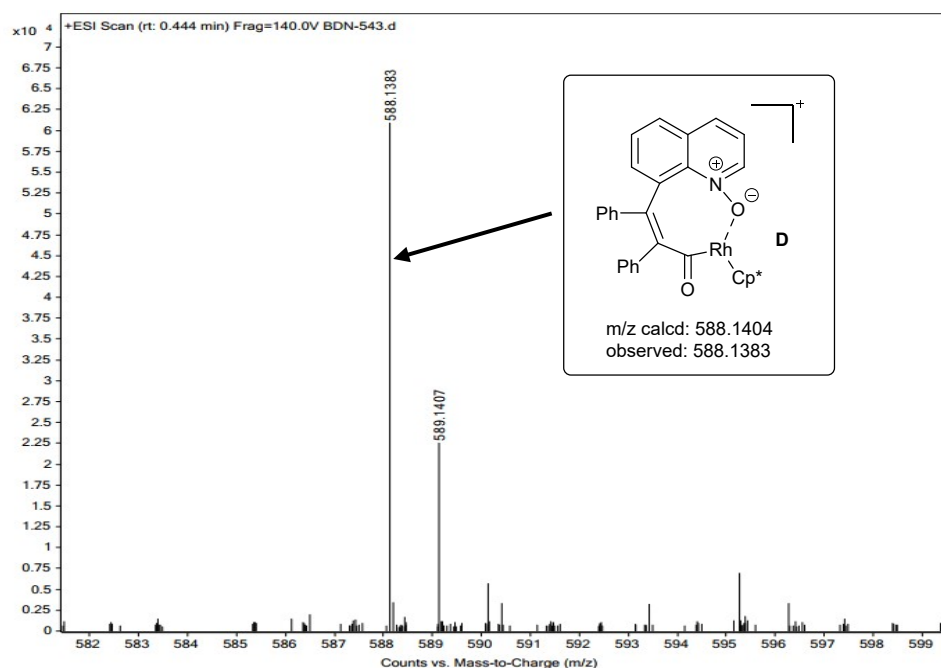


ii) Reaction of 2a with 4. In a pressure tube, 2-quinolone **4** (0.2 mmol, 29 mg), diphenylcyclopropenone **2a** (0.24 mmol, 49.5 mg), $[RhCp^*Cl_2]_2$ (0.01 mmol, 6 mg), $AgBF_4$ (0.04 mmol, 8 mg), Ag_2O (0.2 mmol, 46 mg), H_2O (50 μ L) and $(CH_2Cl)_2$ (1 mL) were stirred for 2 h at 90 °C under argon atmosphere. The reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and HRMS analysis confirmed no **3aa** was formed.

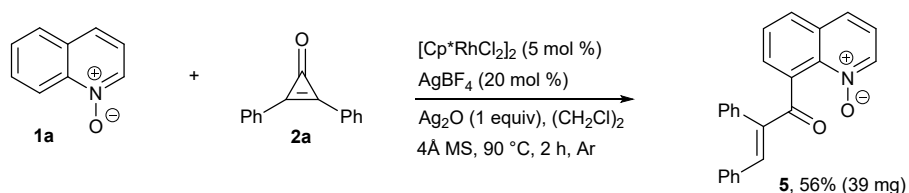
iii) Reaction of 2a in with $H_2^{18}O$ in Absence of 1a. In a pressure tube, diphenylcyclopropenone **2a** (0.1 mmol, 21 mg), $[RhCp^*Cl_2]_2$ (0.05 mmol, 3 mg), $AgBF_4$ (0.02 mmol, 4 mg), Ag_2O (0.1 mmol, 23 mg), $(CH_2Cl)_2$ (0.5 mL) and $H_2^{18}O$ (25 μ L) were stirred for 30 minutes at 90 °C under argon atmosphere. The reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and HRMS analysis of the crude reaction mixture: (ESI) m/z $[M+H]^+$ calcd for $[C_{15}H_{11}^{18}O]^+$ (**2a-¹⁸O**): 209.0846, found 209.0834.



Detection of Intermediate D (Scheme 4e). In a pressure tube, quinoline *N*-oxide **1a** (0.1 mmol, 14.5 mg), diphenylcyclopropenone **2a** (0.12 mmol, 25 mg), [RhCp*Cl₂]₂ (0.005 mmol 3 mg), AgBF₄ (0.02 mmol, 4 mg), Ag₂O (0.1 mmol, 23 mg), H₂O (25 μ L) and (CH₂Cl)₂ (0.5 mL) were stirred for 30 minutes at 90 °C under argon atmosphere. HRMS analysis of the crude reaction mixture: (ESI) *m/z* calcd for [C₃₄H₃₁NO₂Rh]⁺ (intermediate **D**): 588.1404, found 588.1383.



Reaction without H₂O. In a pressure tube, quinoline *N*-oxide **1a** (0.2 mmol, 29 mg), diphenylcyclopropenone **2a** (0.24 mmol, 49.5 mg), [RhCp*Cl₂]₂ (0.01 mmol, 6 mg), AgBF₄ (0.04 mmol, 8 mg), Ag₂O (0.2 mmol, 46 mg), (CH₂Cl)₂ (2 mL) and 4Å molecular sieves (300 mg) were stirred for 2 h at 90 °C under argon atmosphere. The reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and passed through celite pad using CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL). Evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified according to general procedure to isolate **5** in 56% (39 mg) yield. Analytical TLC on silica gel; 3:7 hexane/ethyl acetate R_f = 0.25; thick liquid; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.43 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 7.92 (t, *J* = 4.5 Hz, 1H), 7.78 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.71-7.70 (m, 2H), 7.44 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.35-7.31 (m, 3H), 7.30-7.27 (m, 1H), 7.14-7.11 (m, 1H), 7.08 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 6.96-6.93 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.7, 142.9, 140.3, 139.1, 136.3, 135.4, 135.0, 134.6, 131.1, 130.6, 130.3, 130.1, 129.0, 128.8, 128.6, 128.4, 128.1, 127.7, 126.0, 121.9; FT-IR (neat) 3060, 1657, 1500, 1312, 1232, 1087, 825, 764 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) *m/z* [M+H]⁺ calcd for C₂₄H₁₈NO₂: 352.1332, found 352.1332.

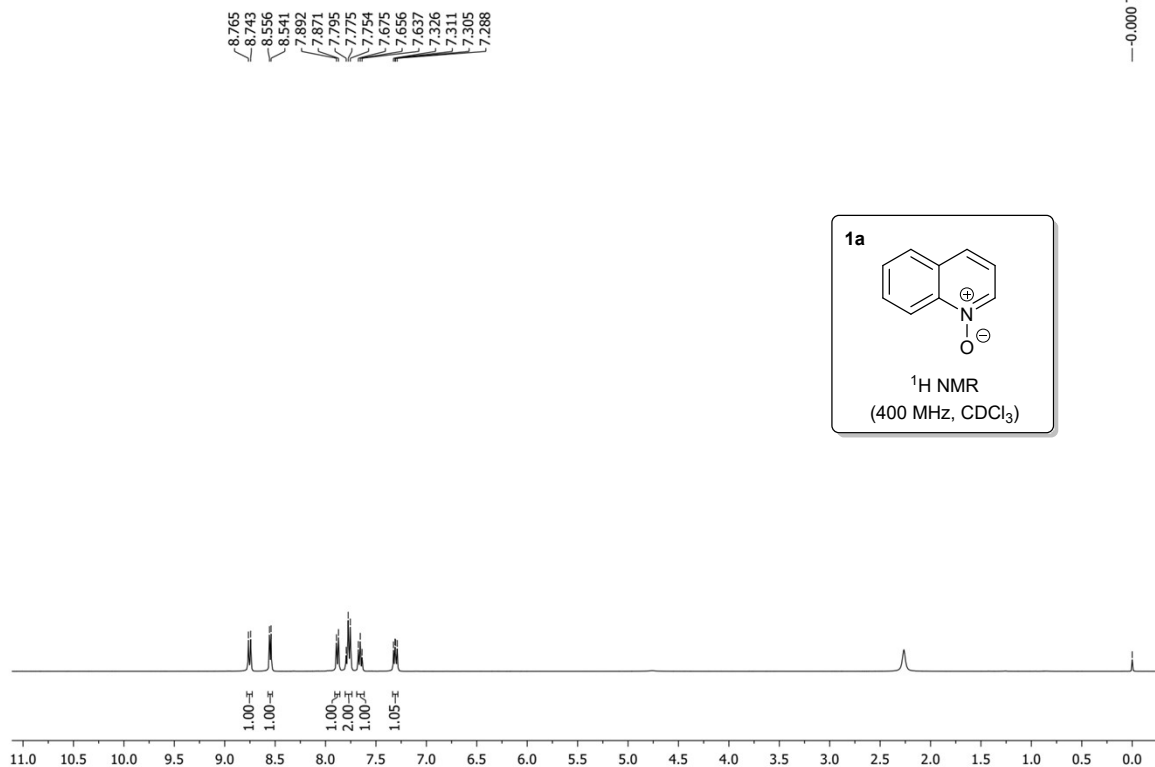


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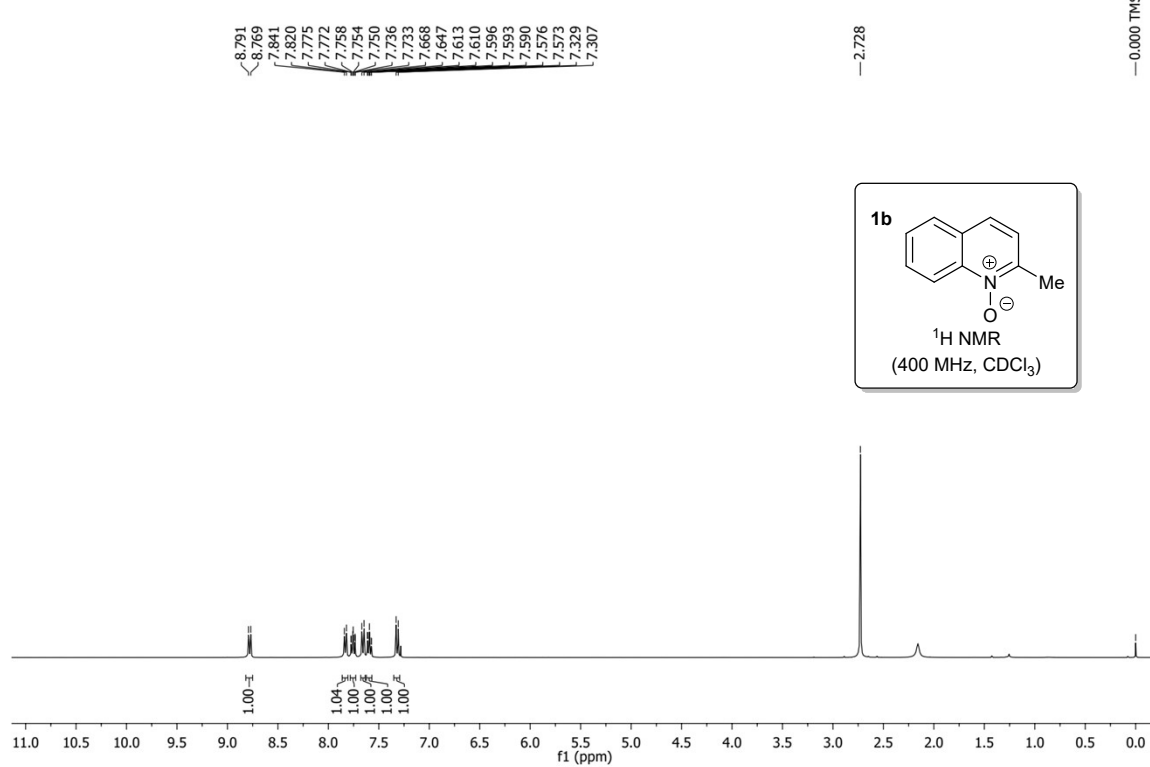
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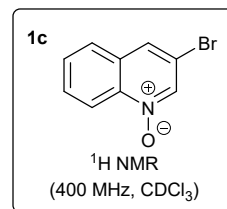
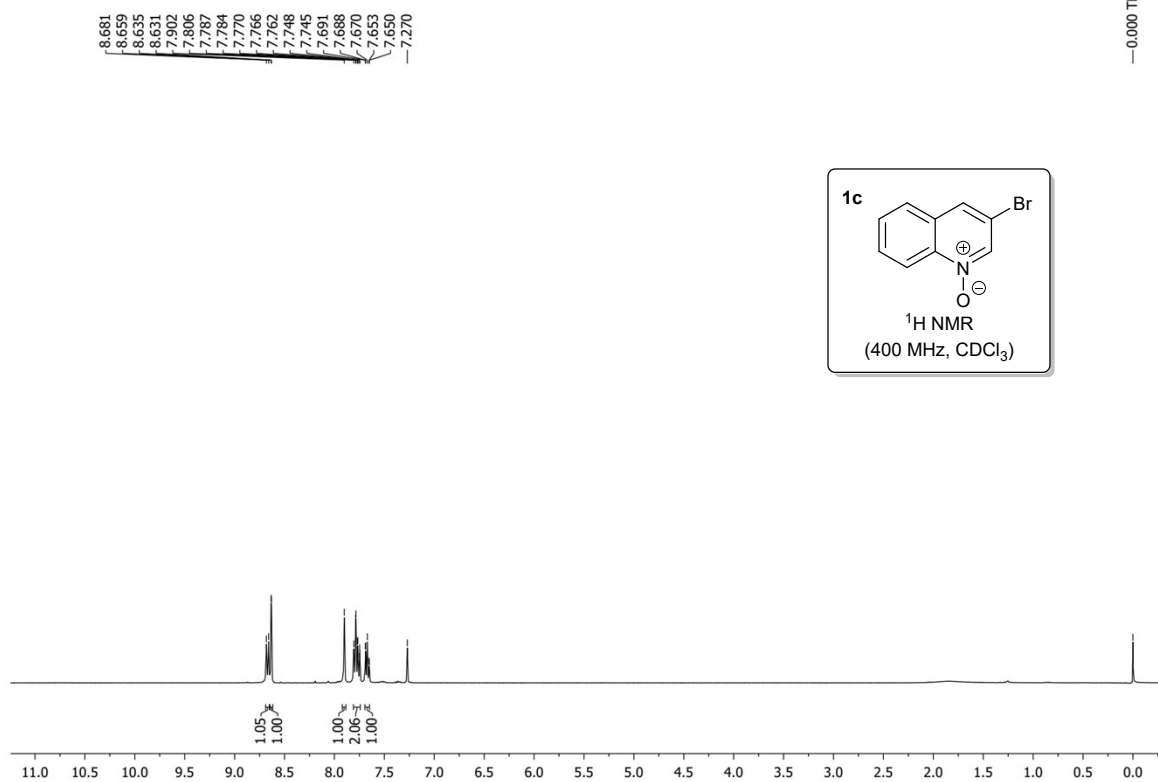
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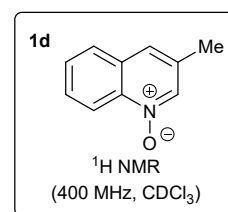
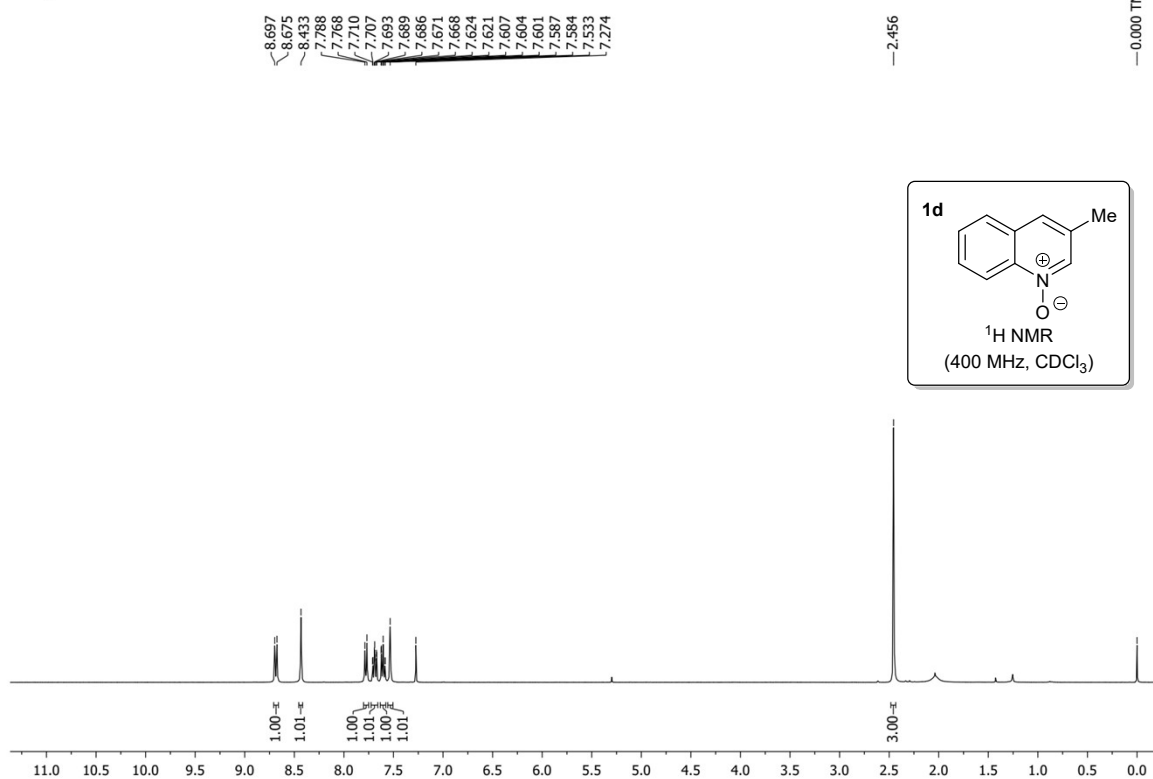
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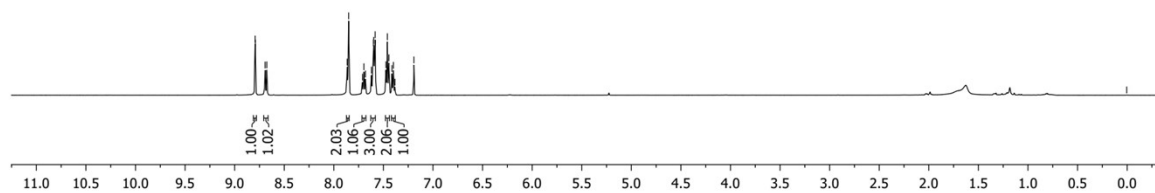
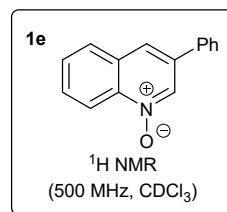
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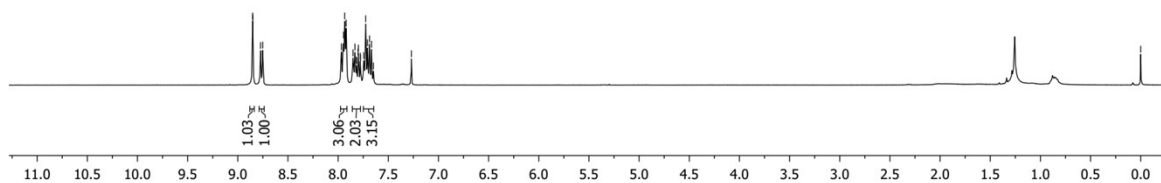
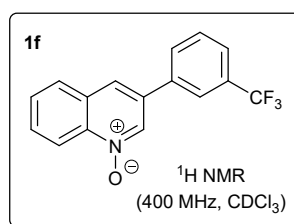
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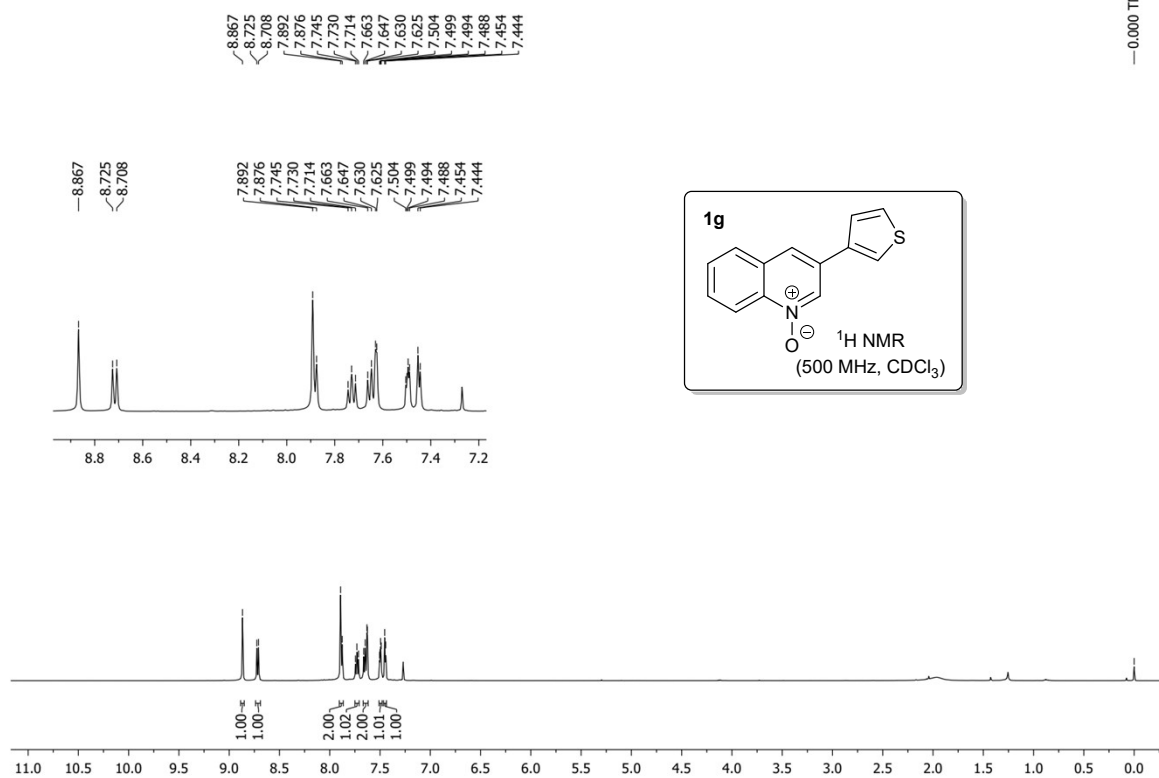
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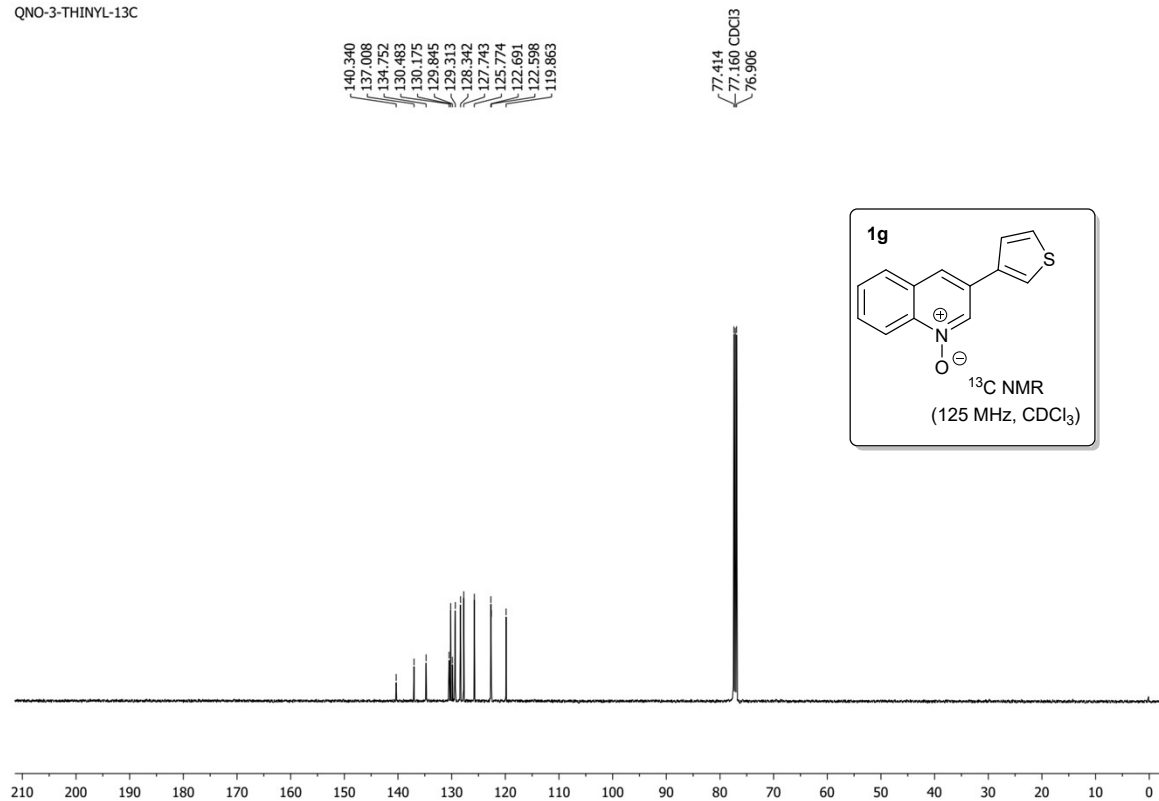
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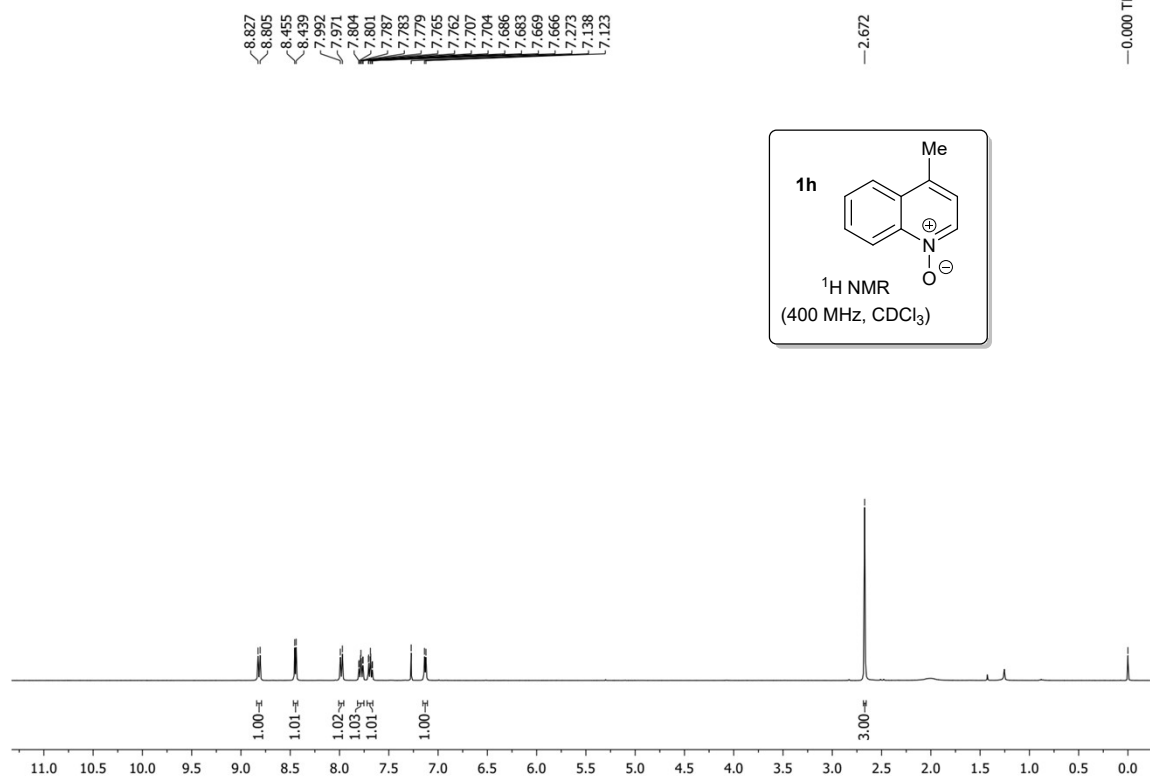
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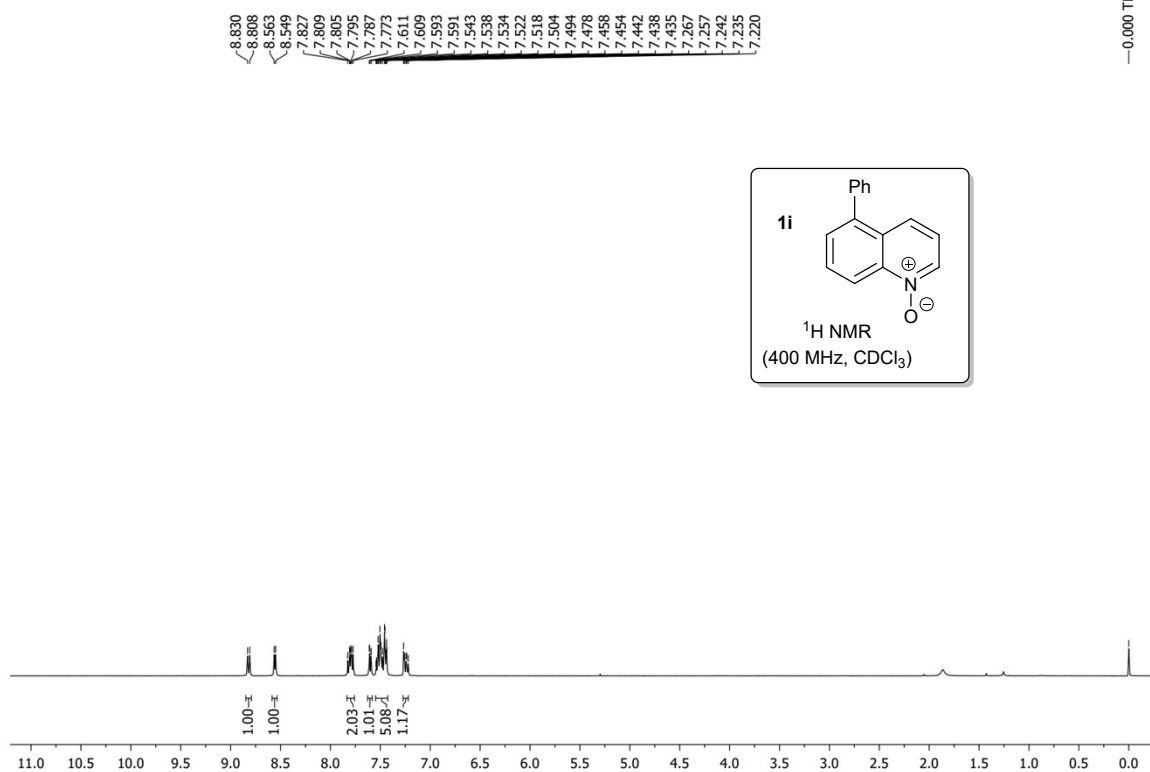
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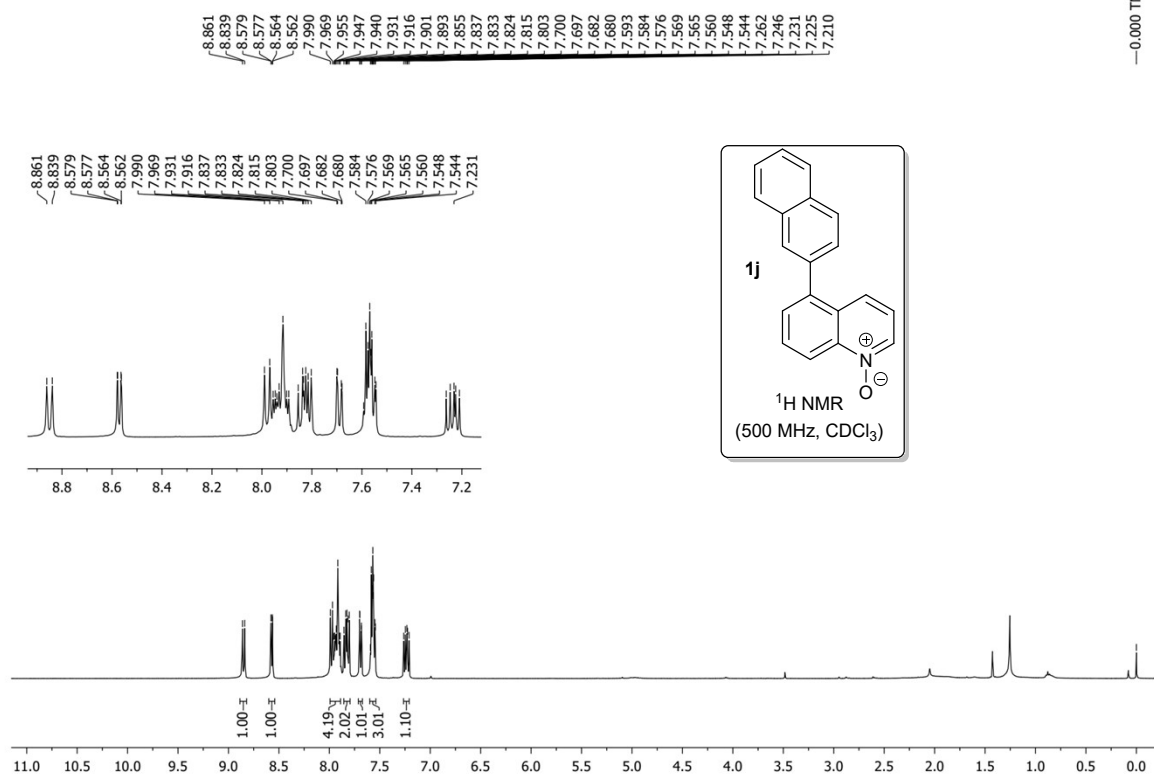
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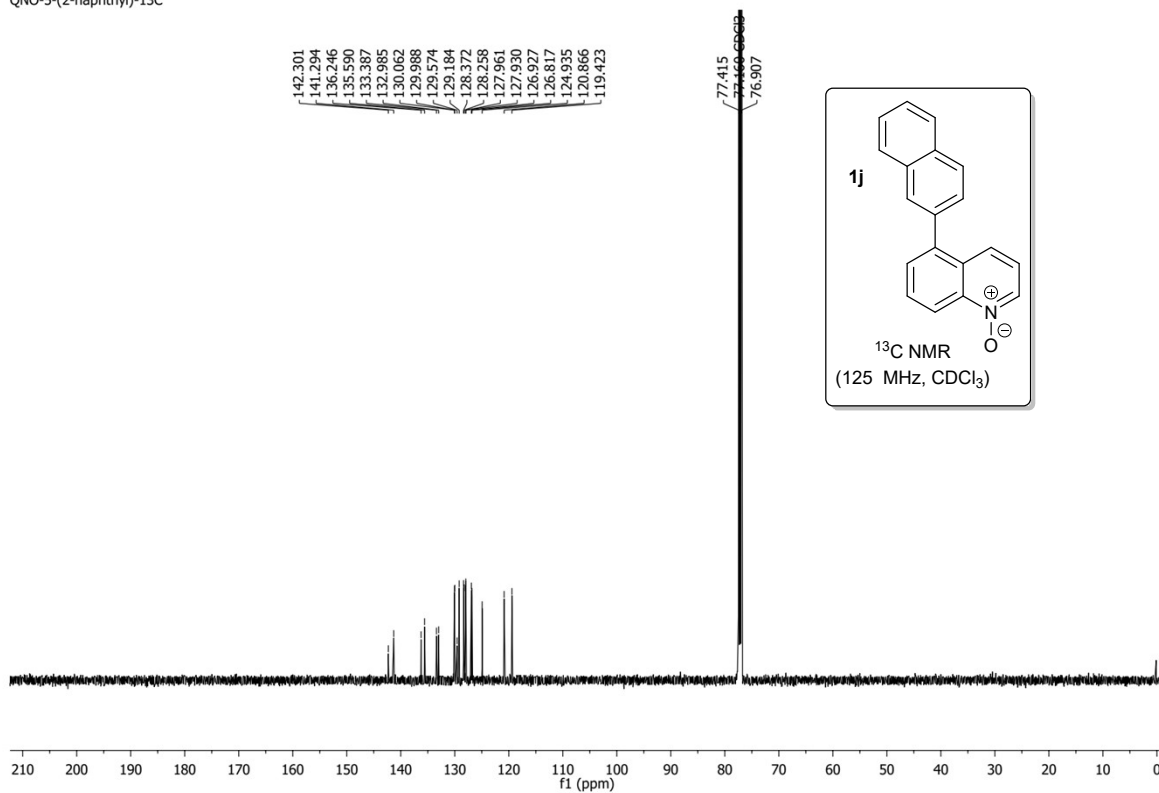
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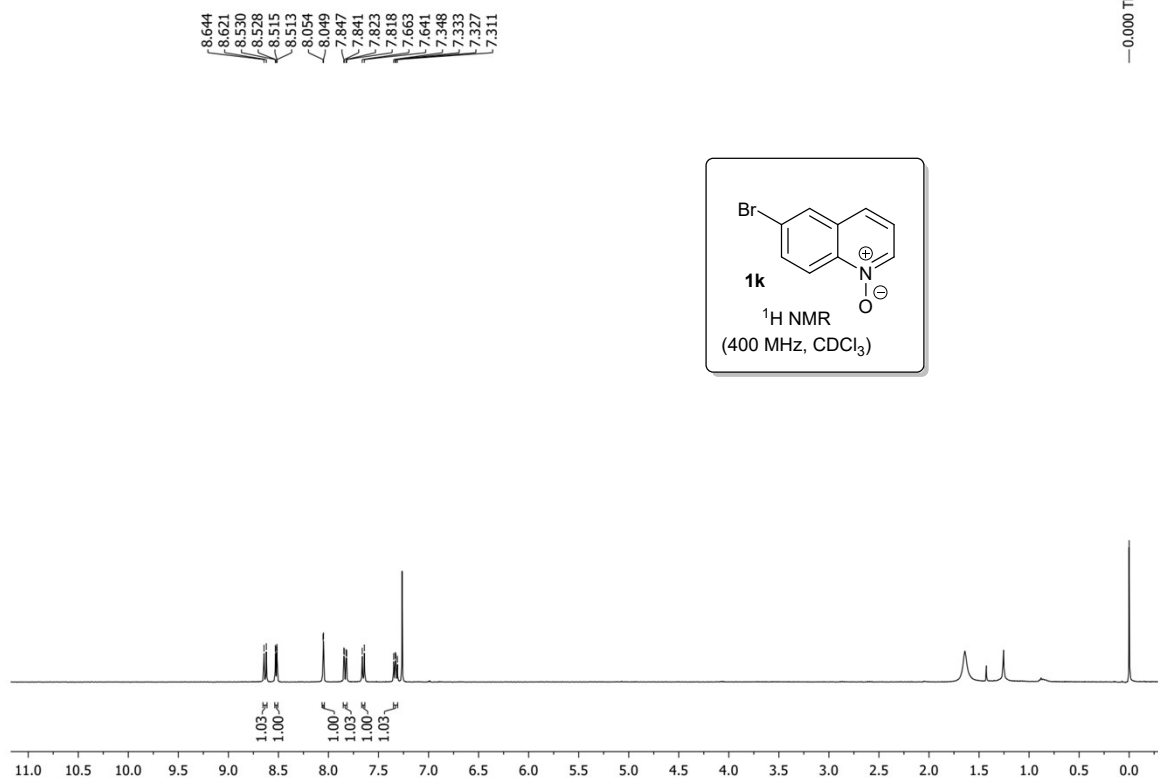
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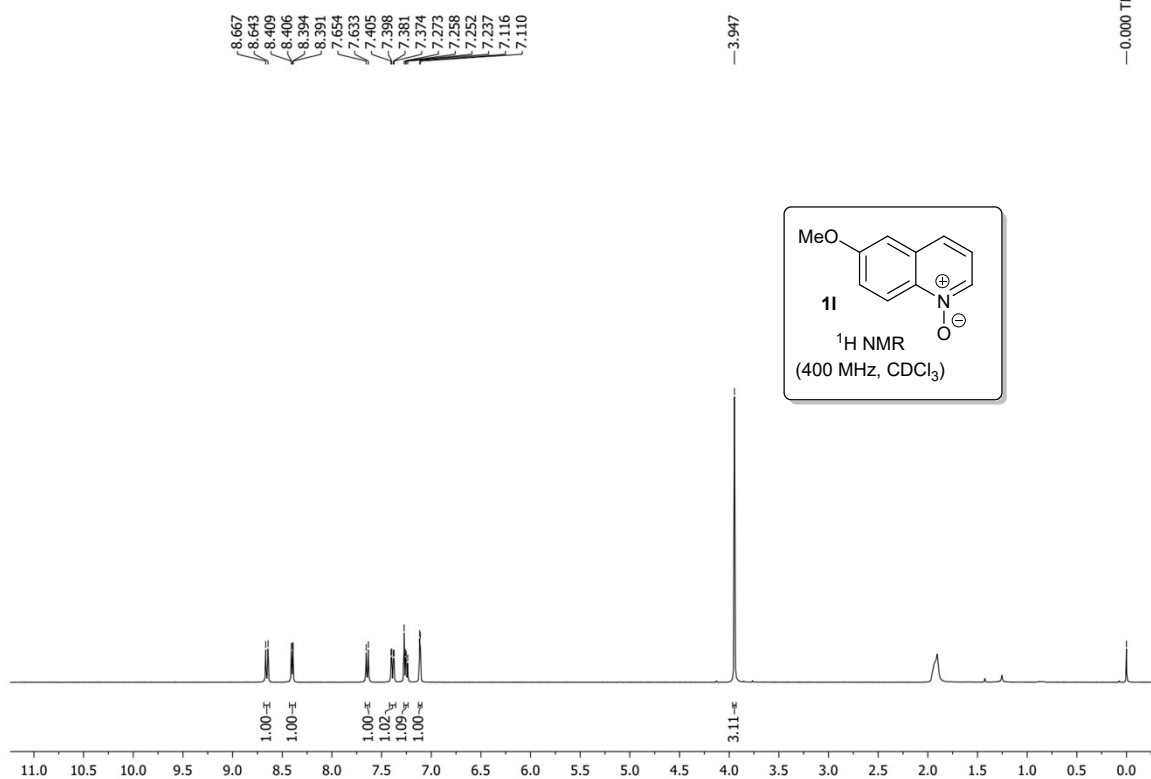
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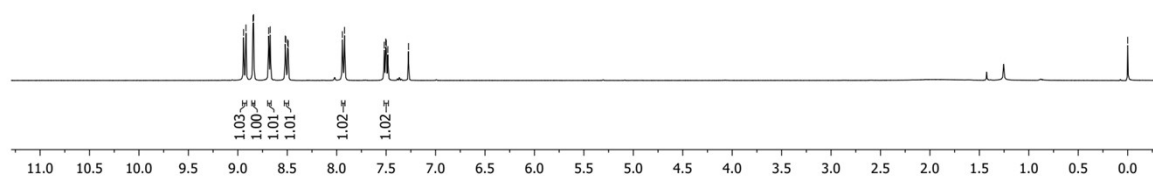
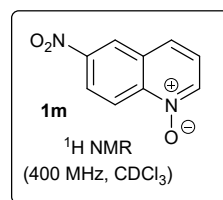
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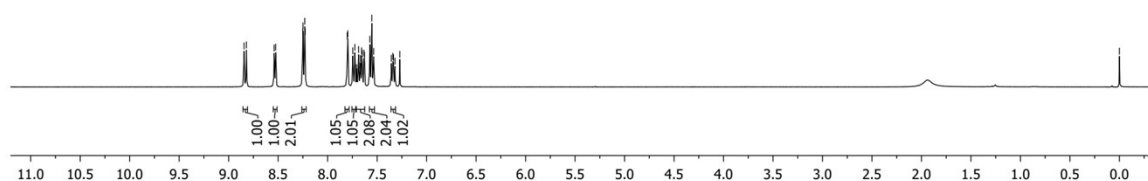
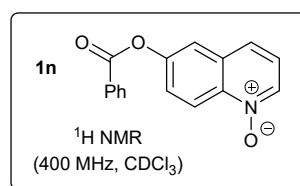
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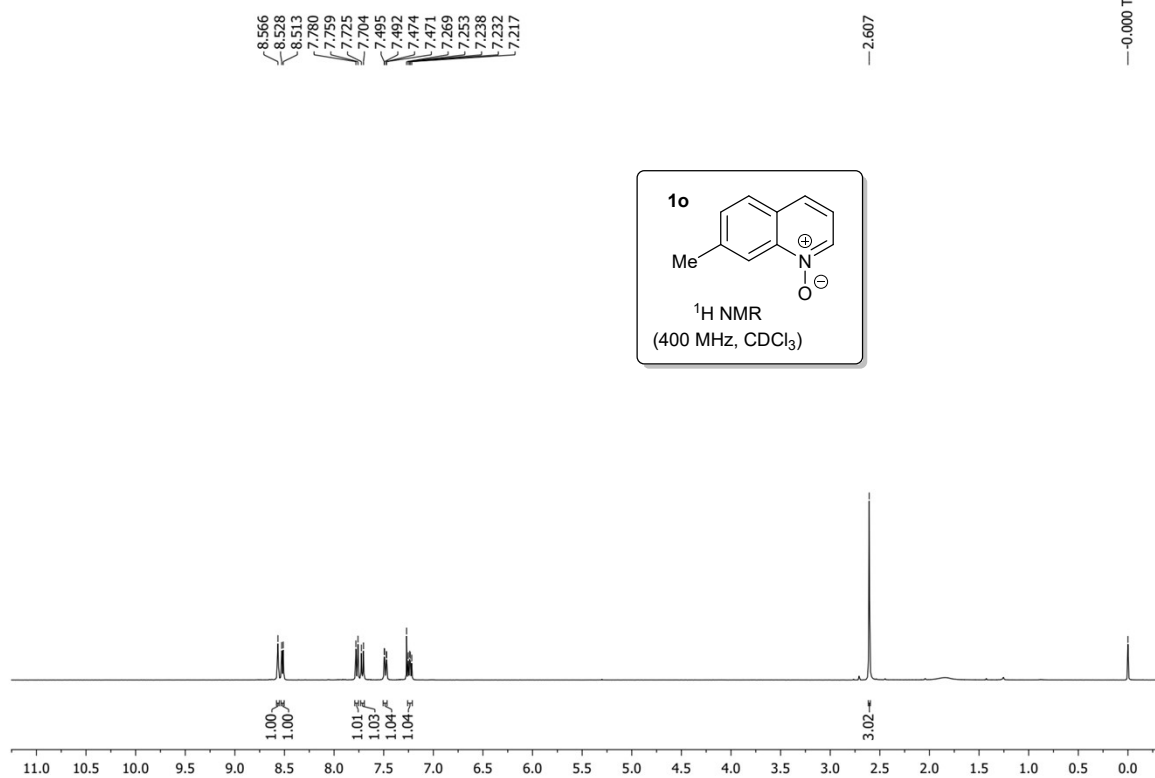
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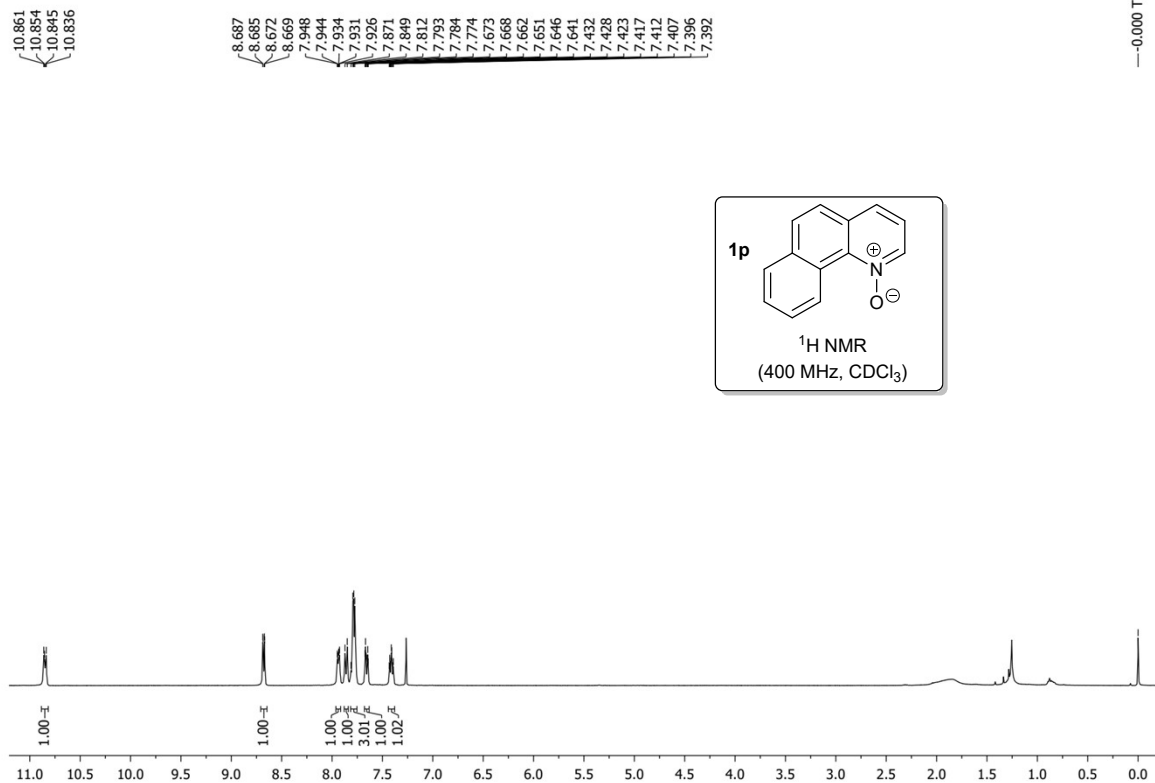
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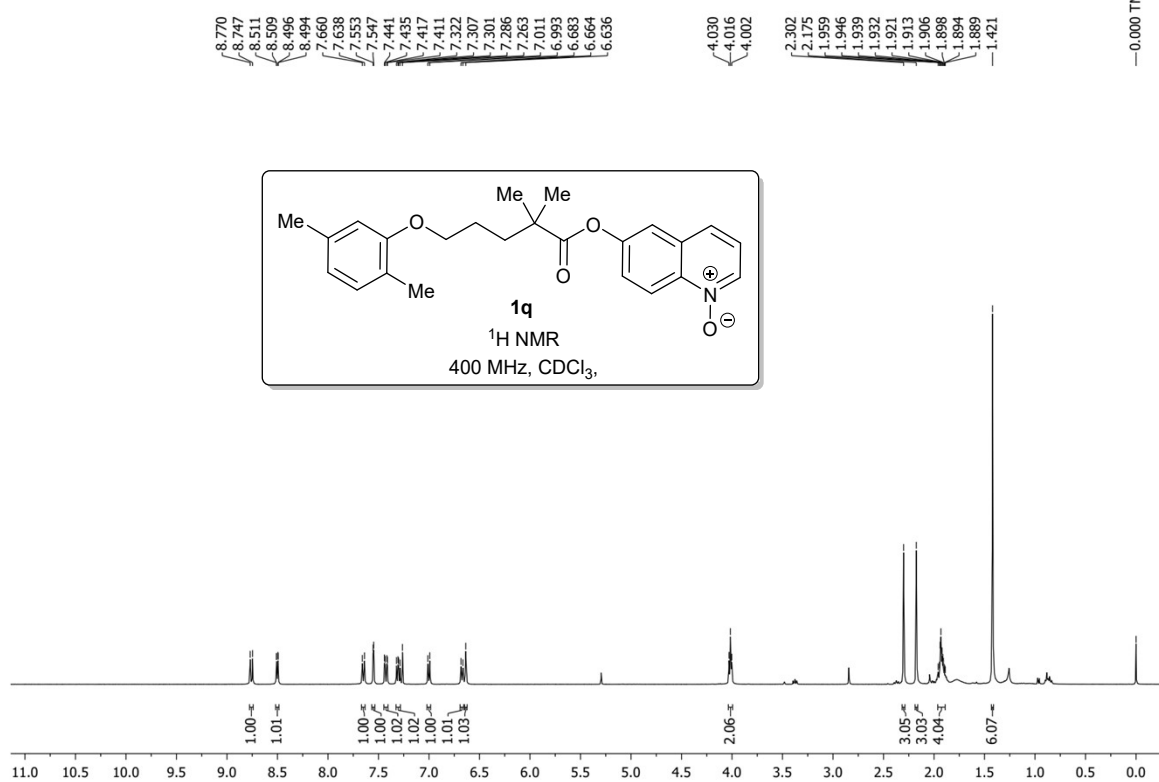
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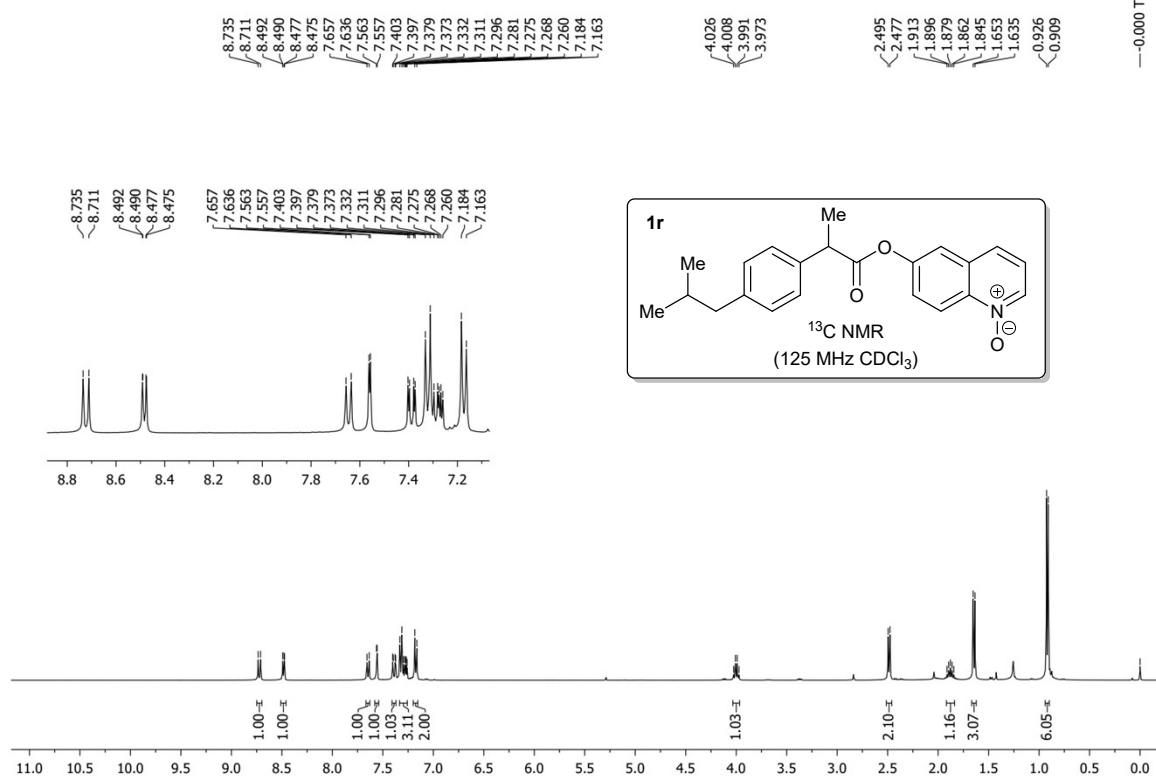
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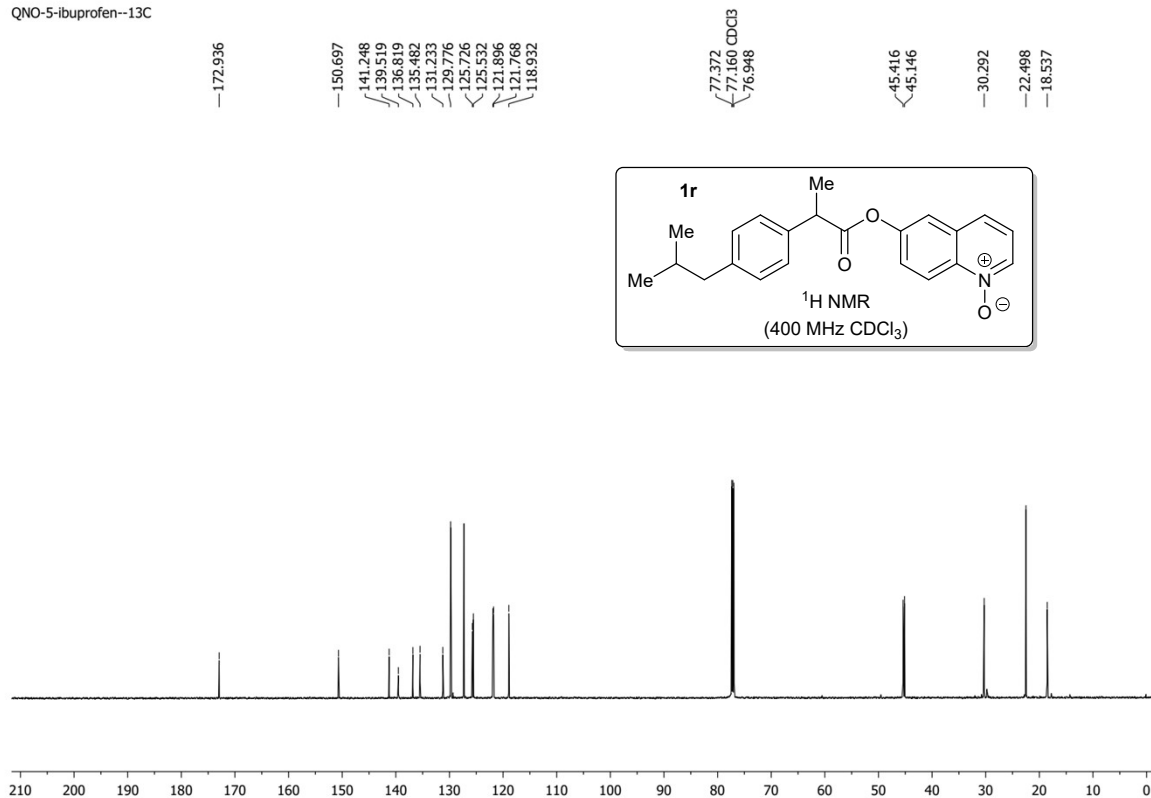
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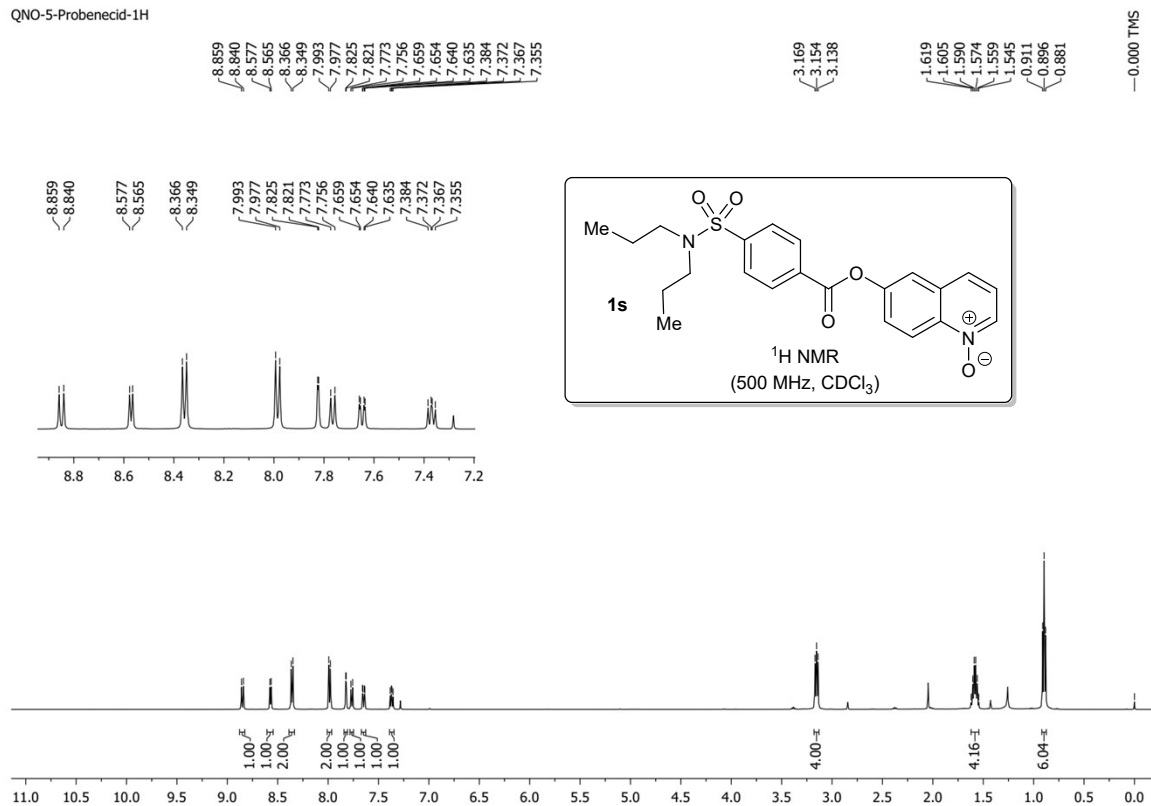
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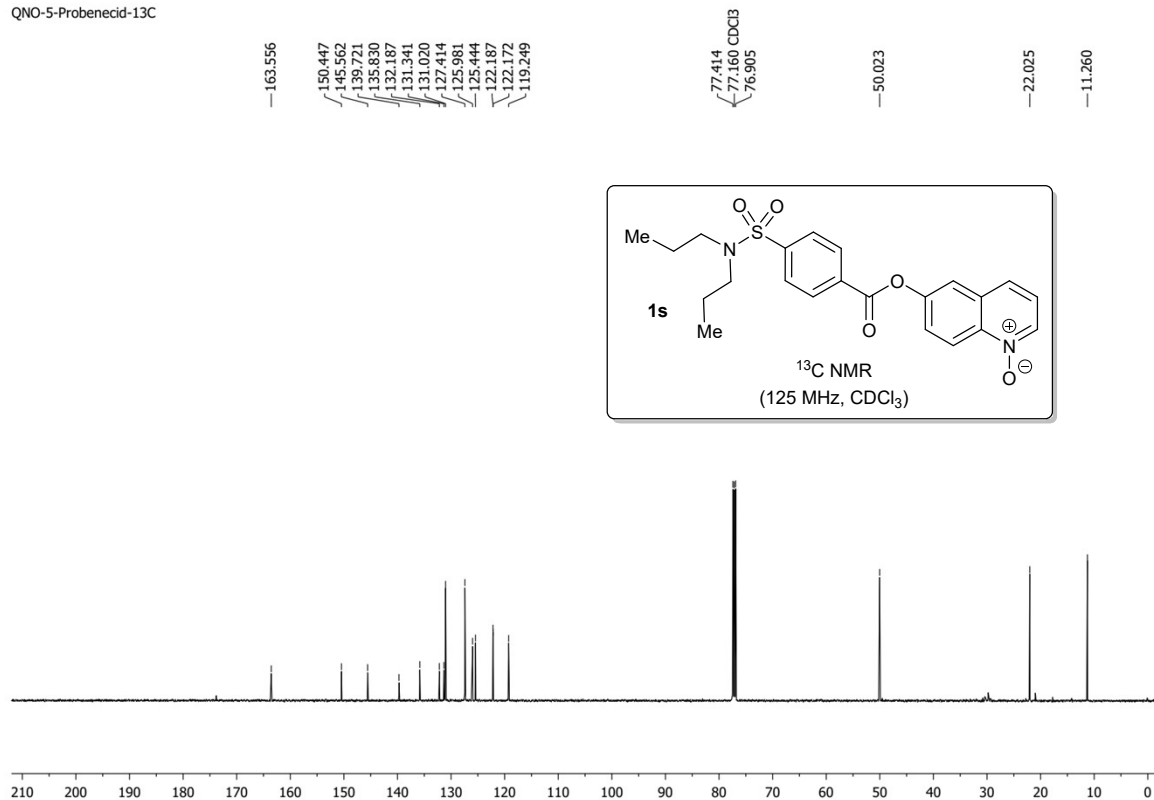
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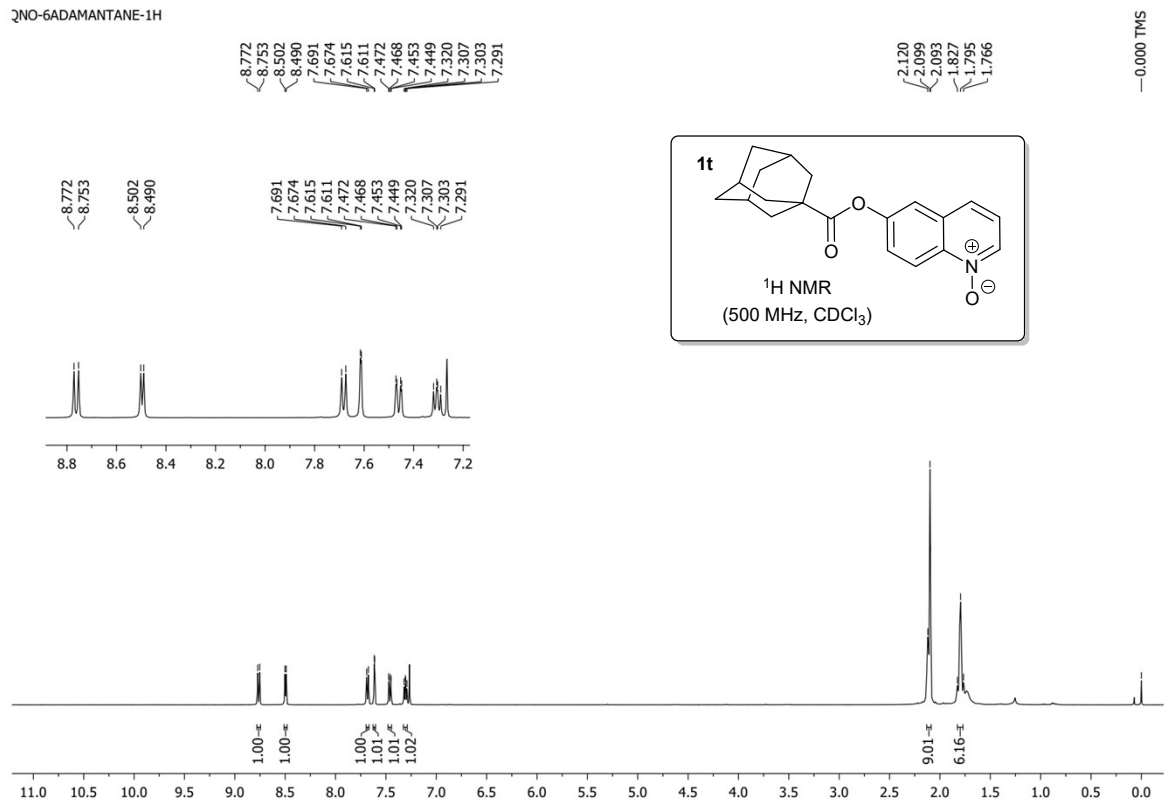
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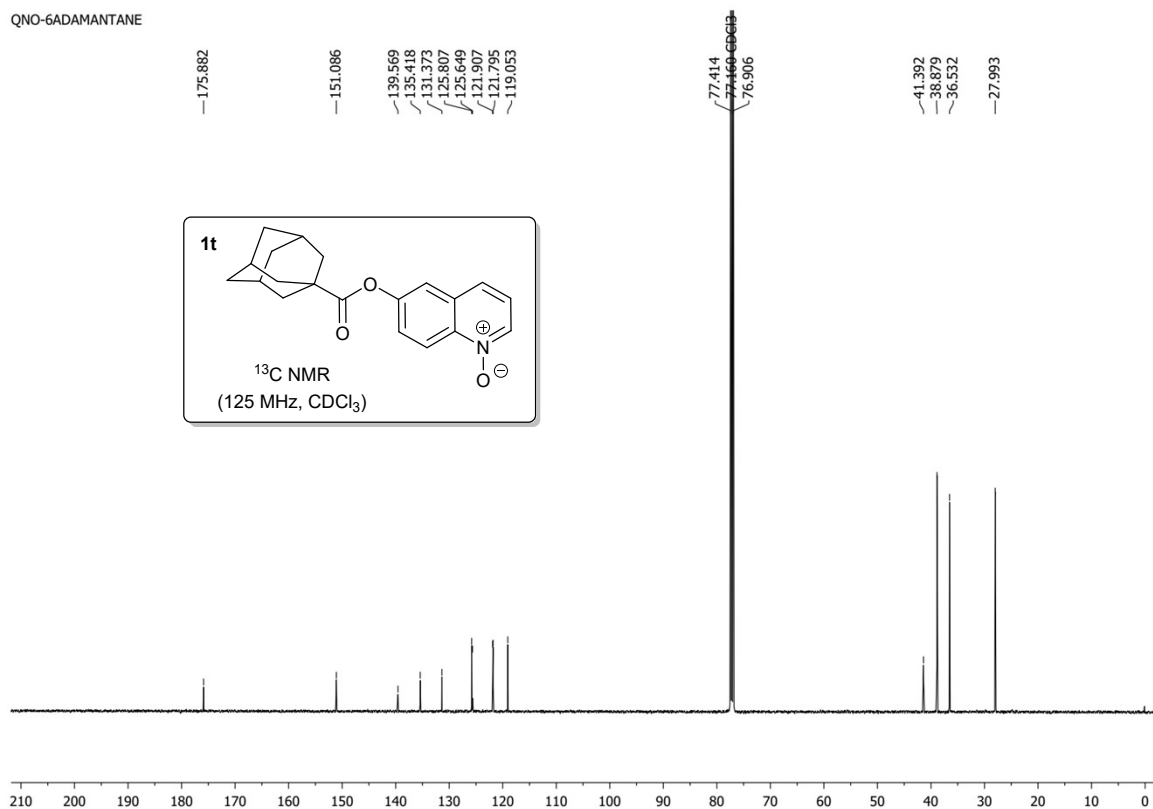
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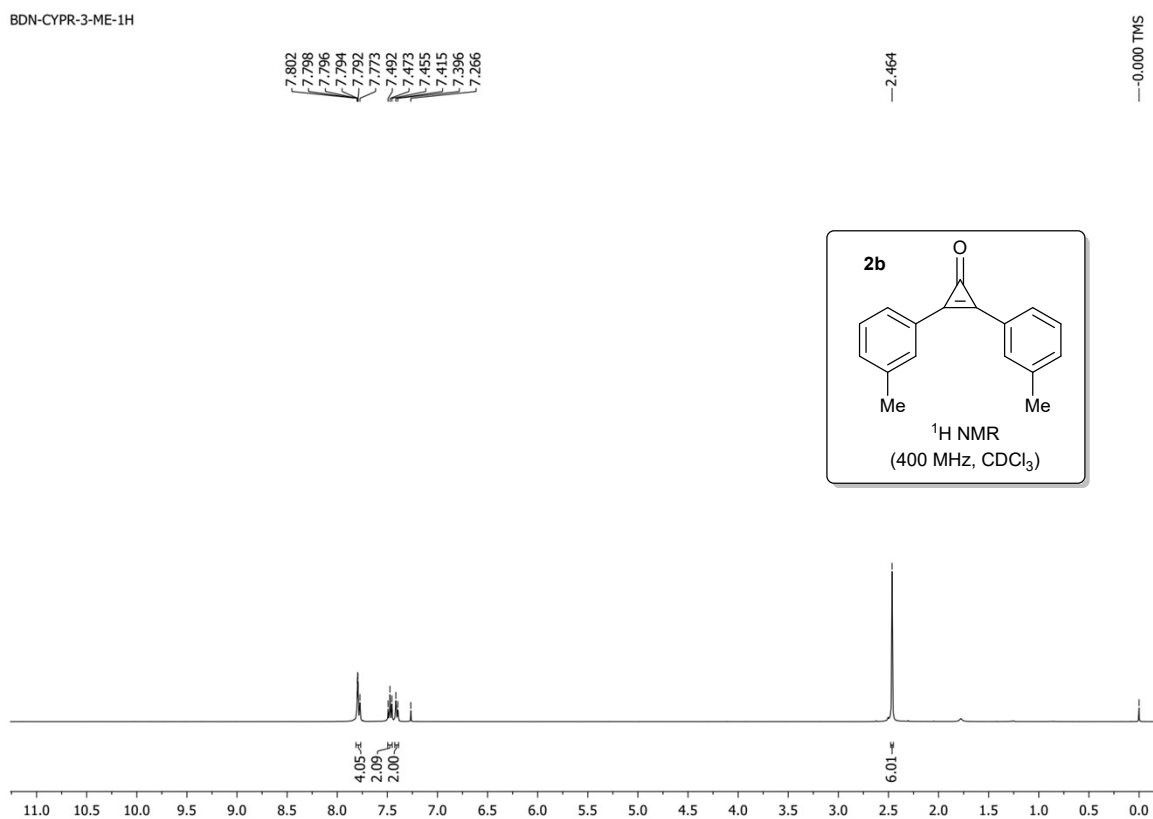
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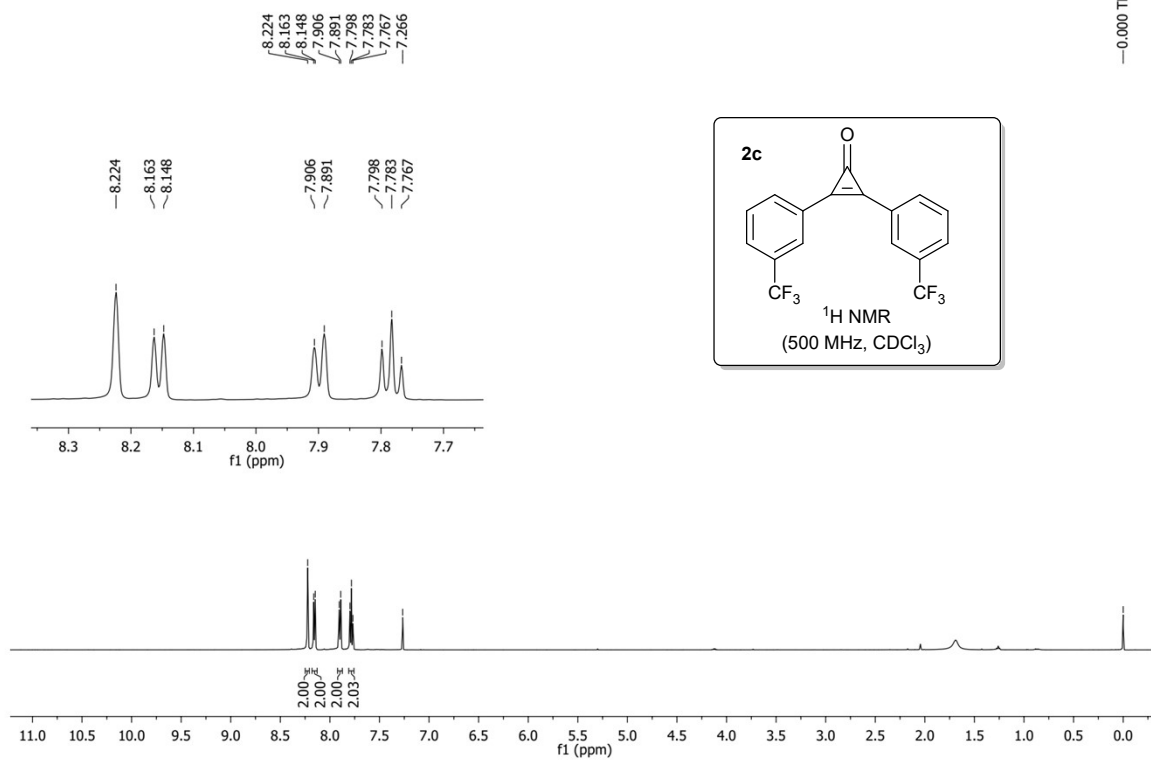
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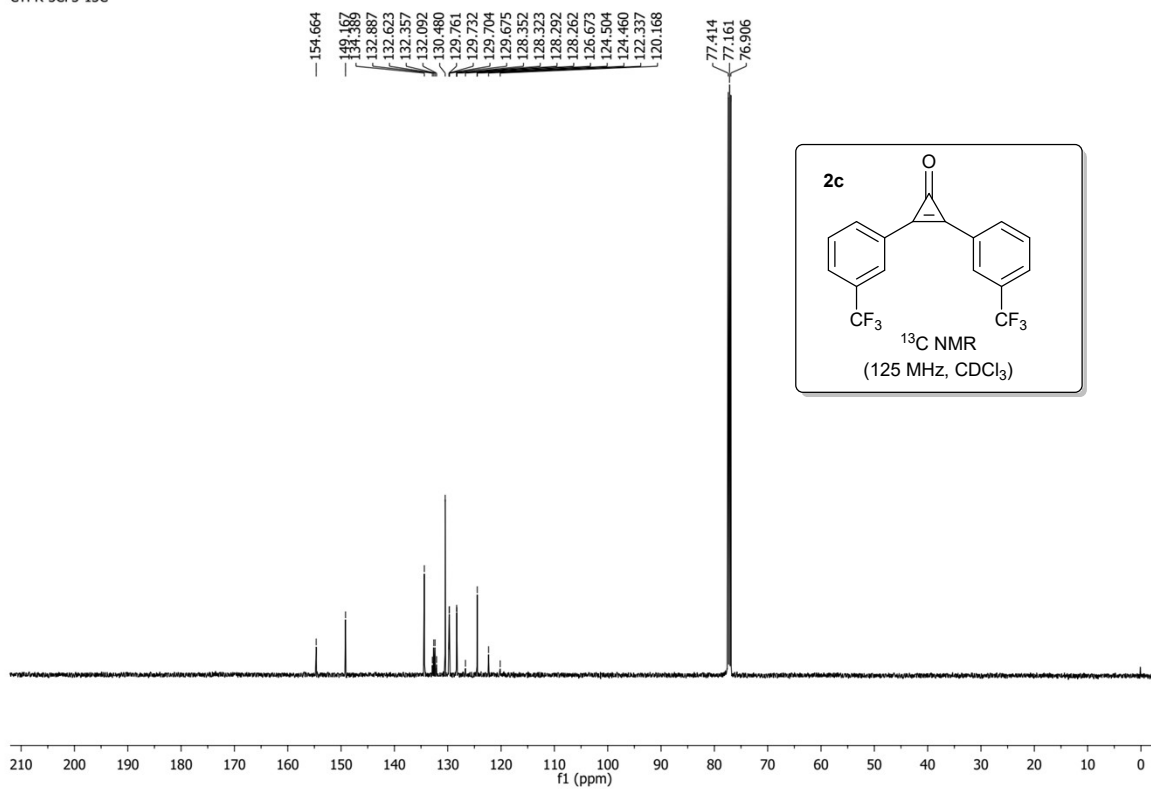
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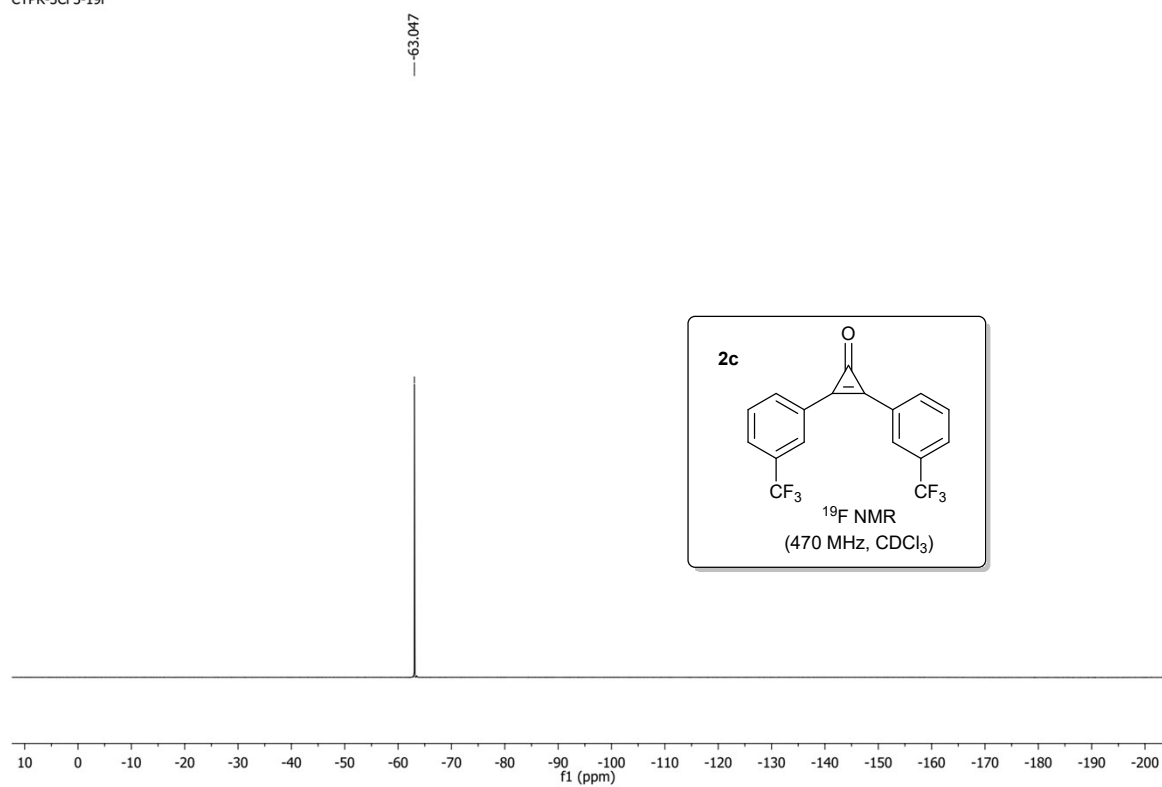
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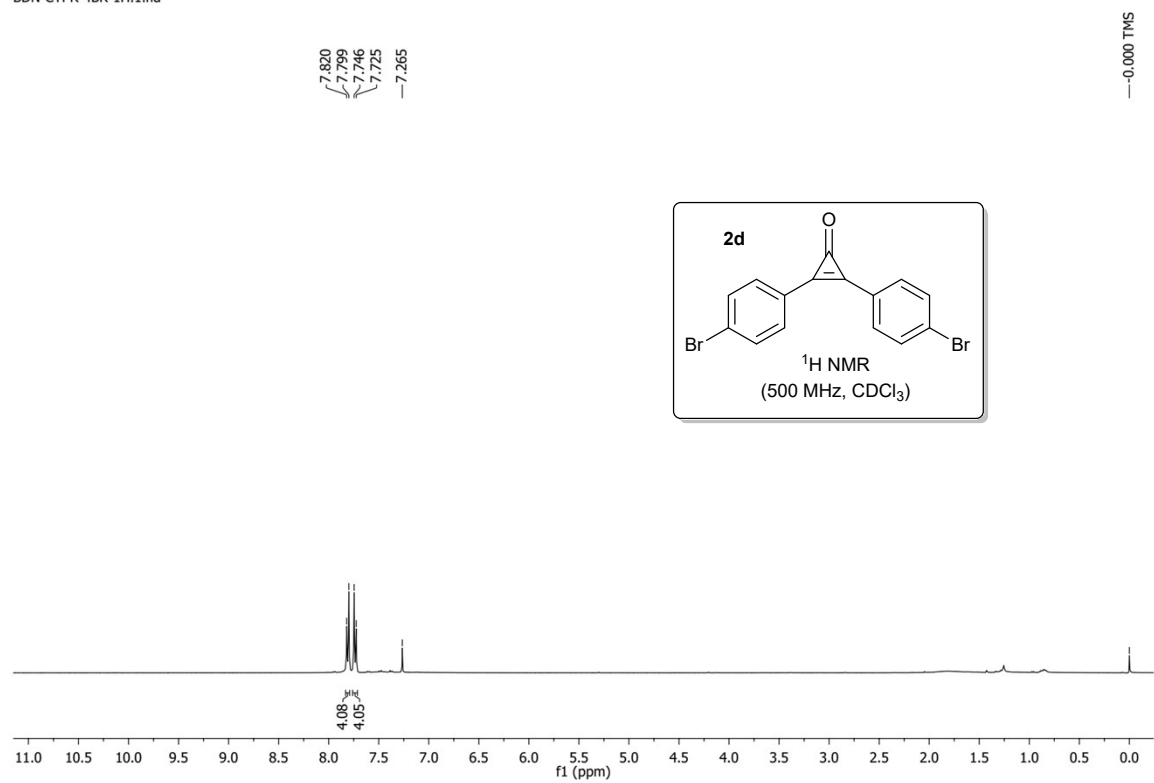
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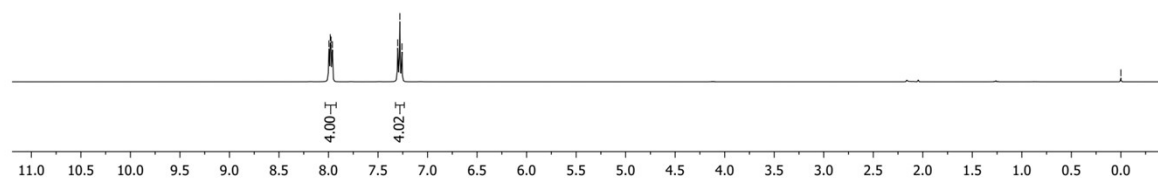
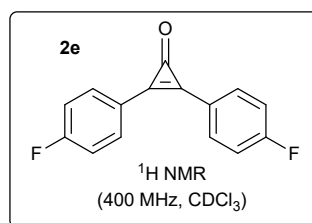
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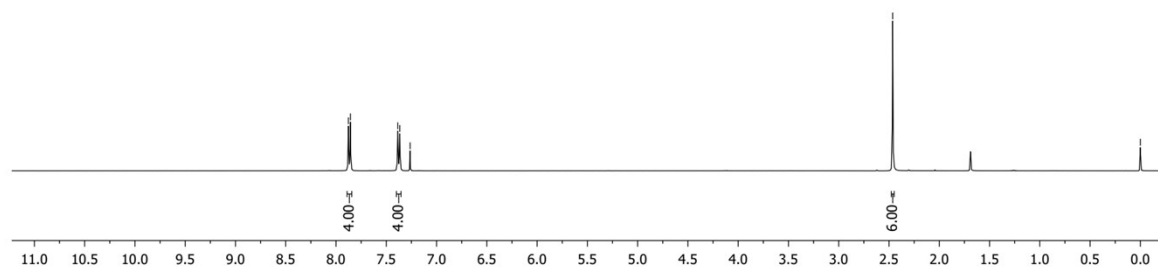
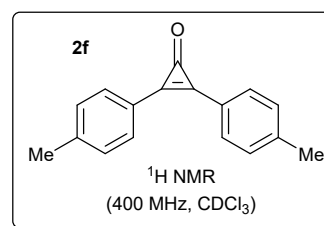


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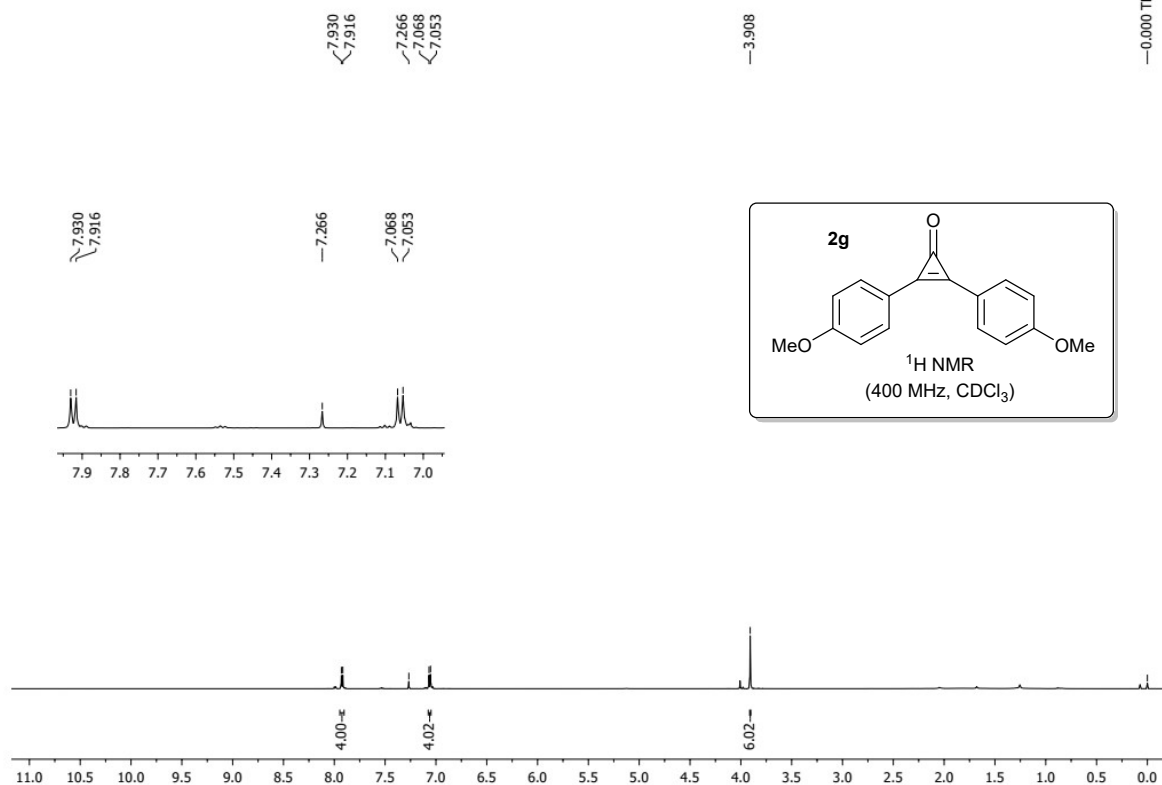
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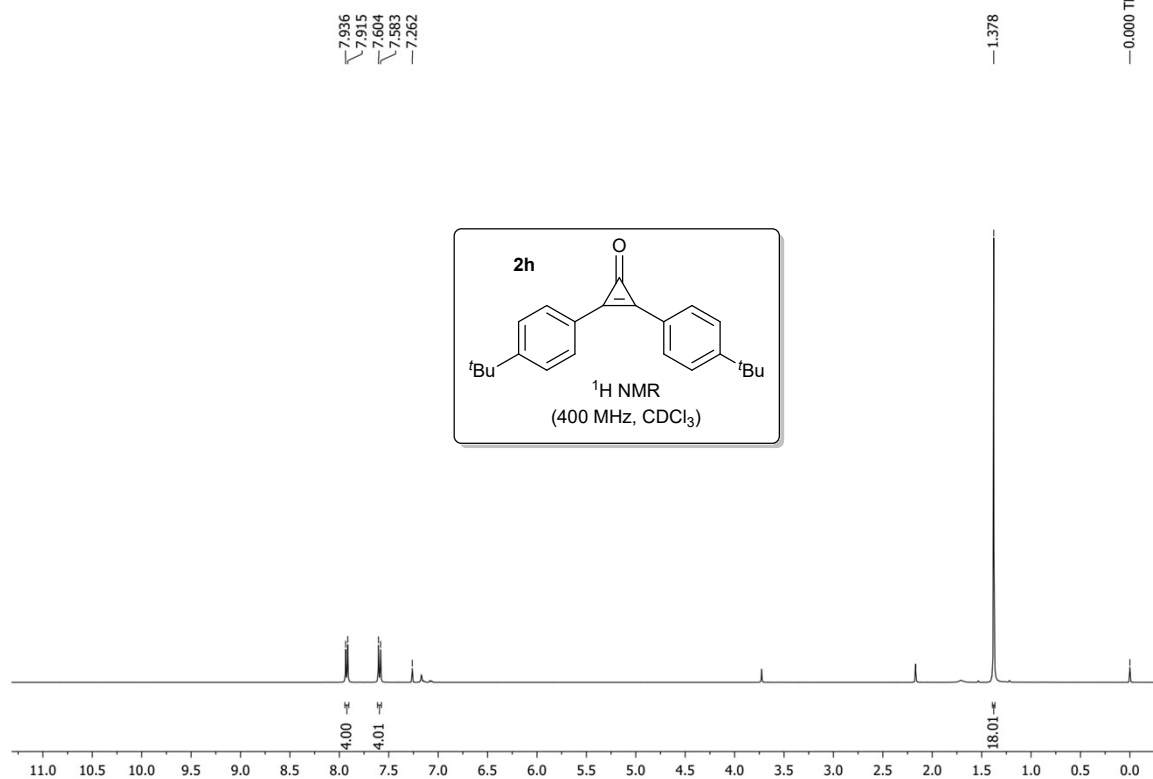
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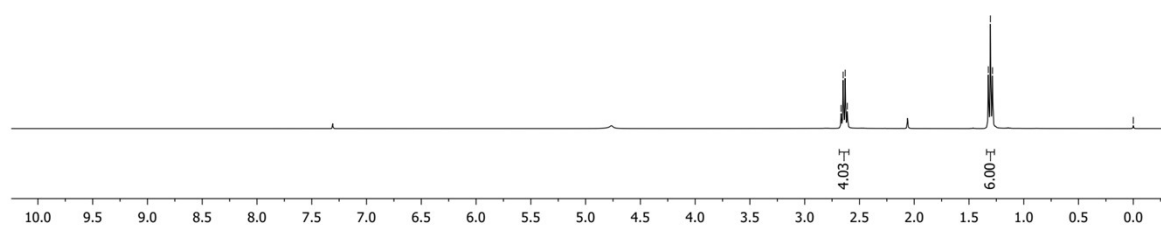
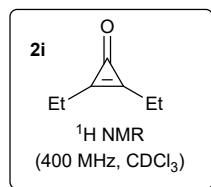
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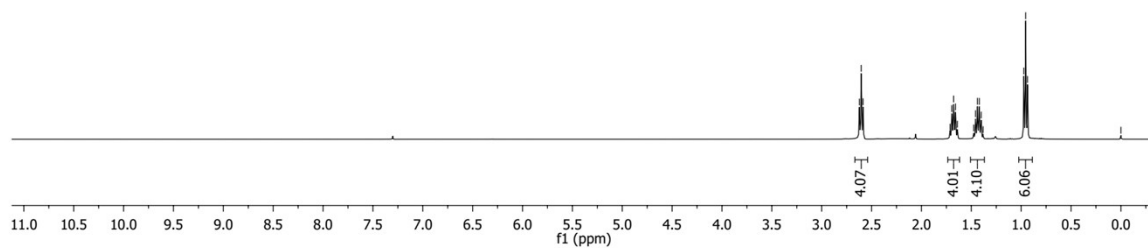
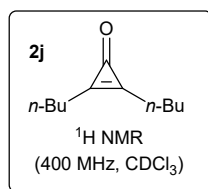


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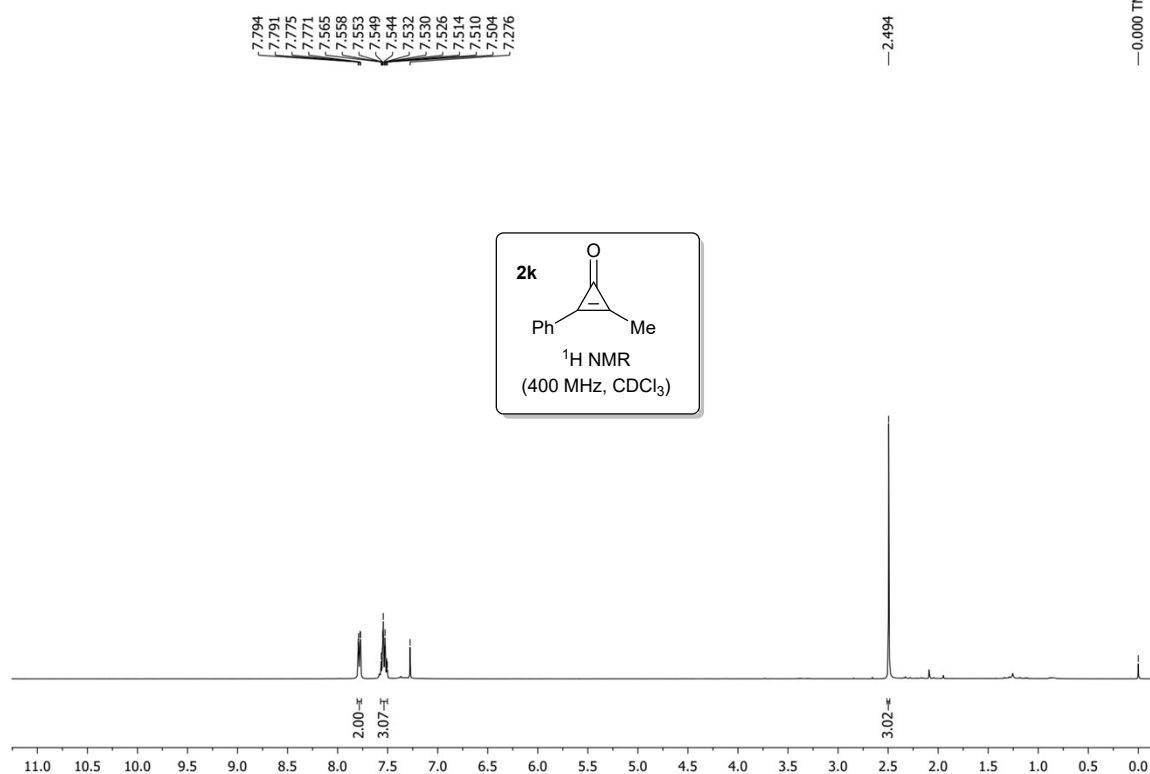
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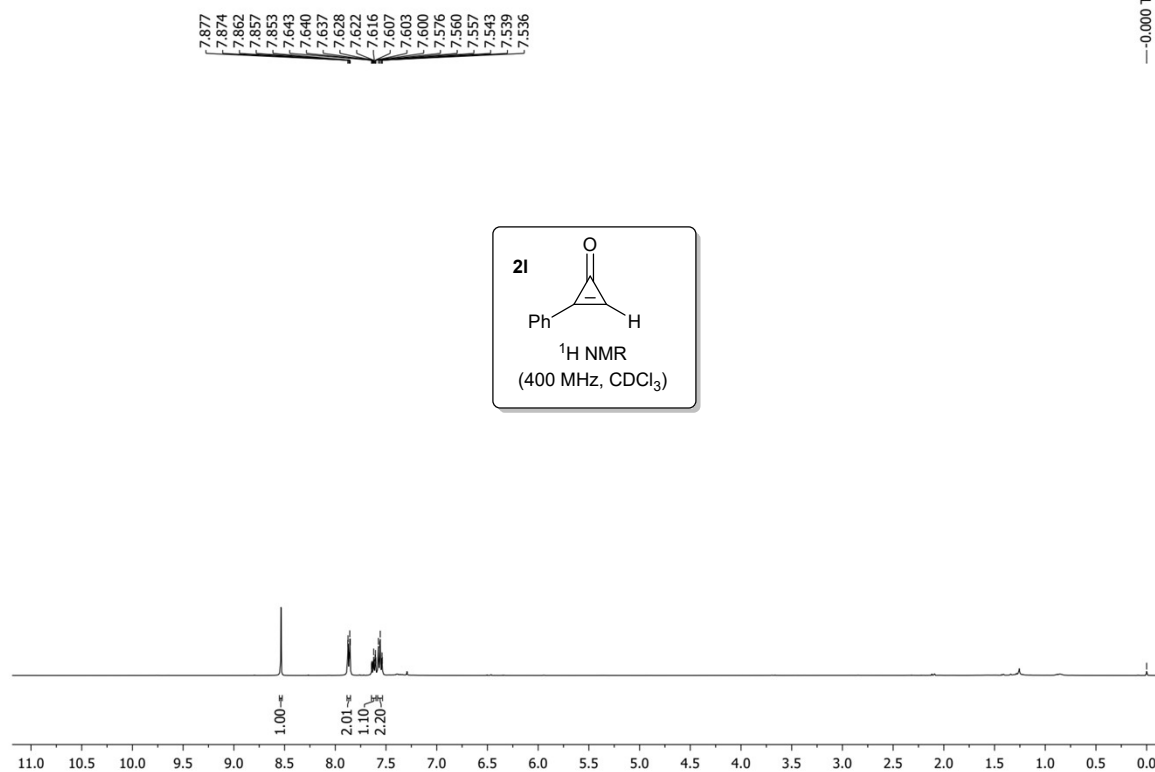
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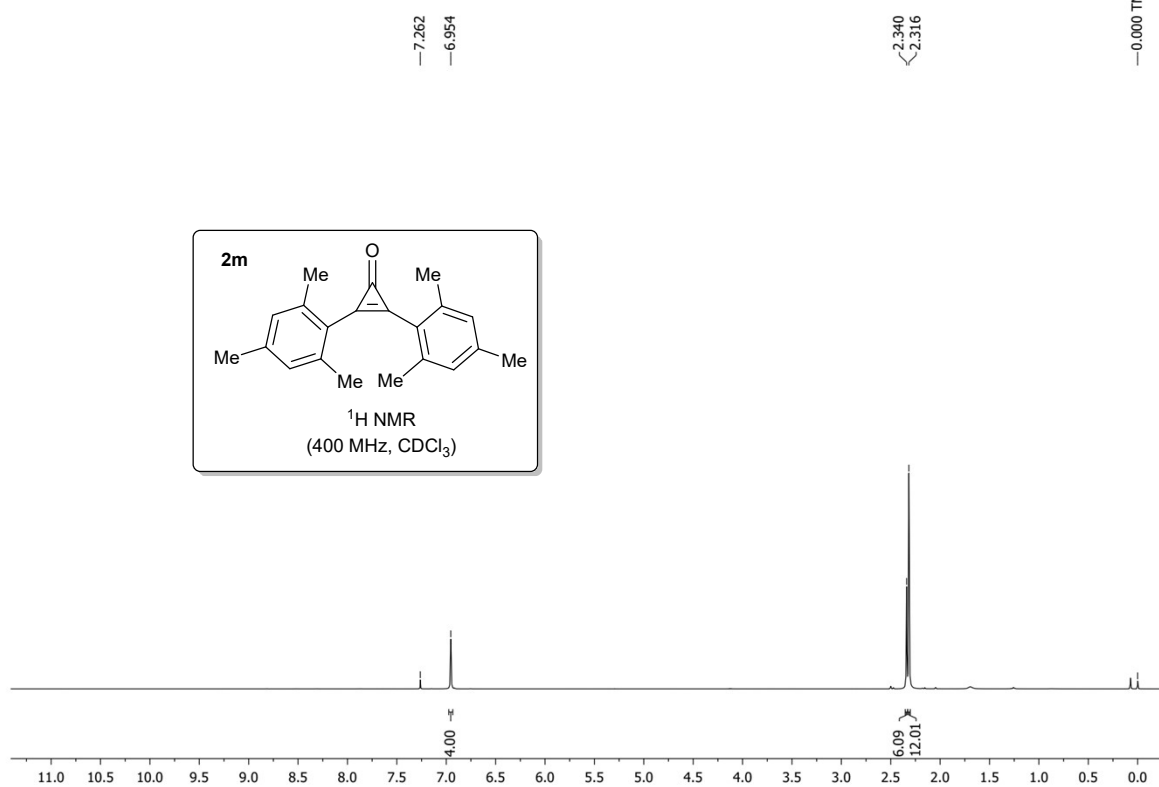
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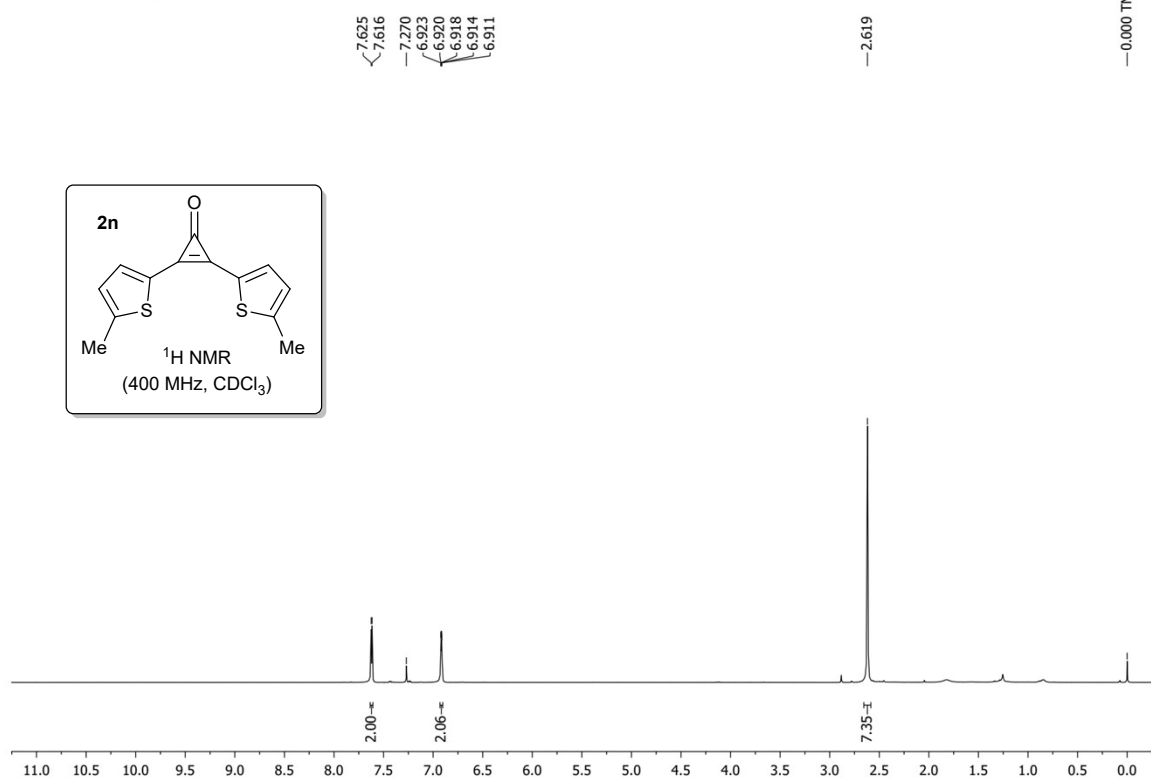
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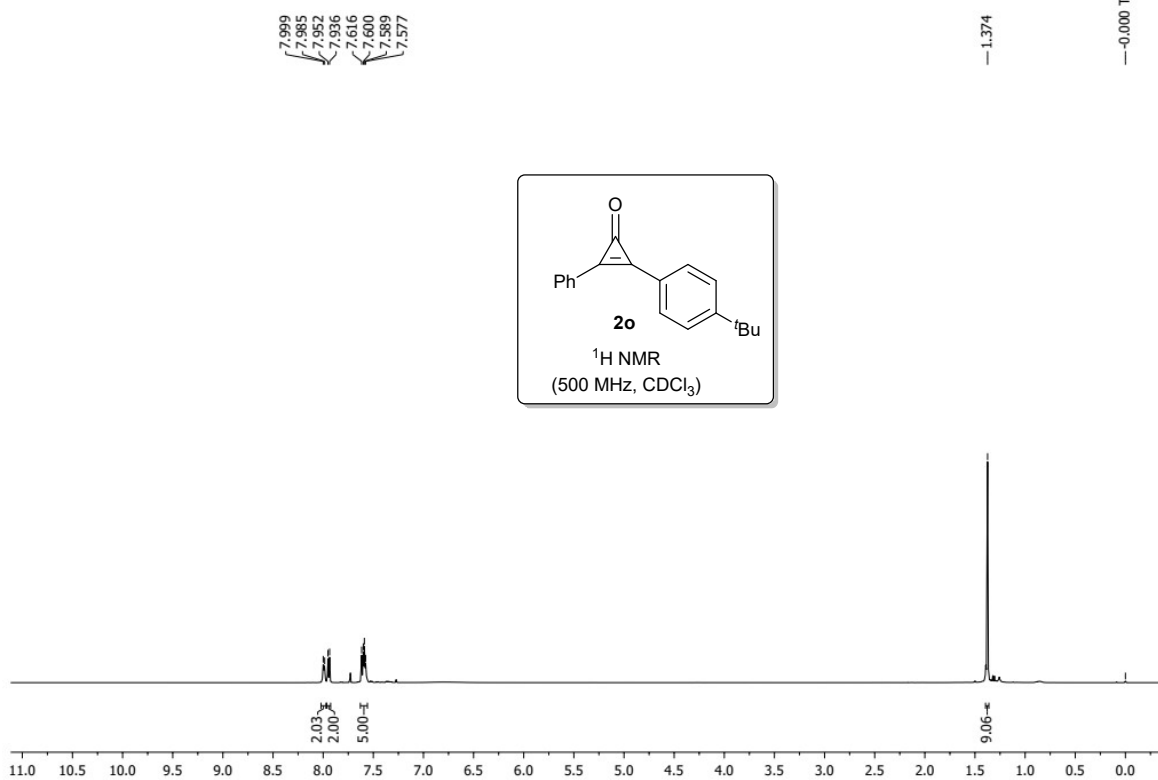
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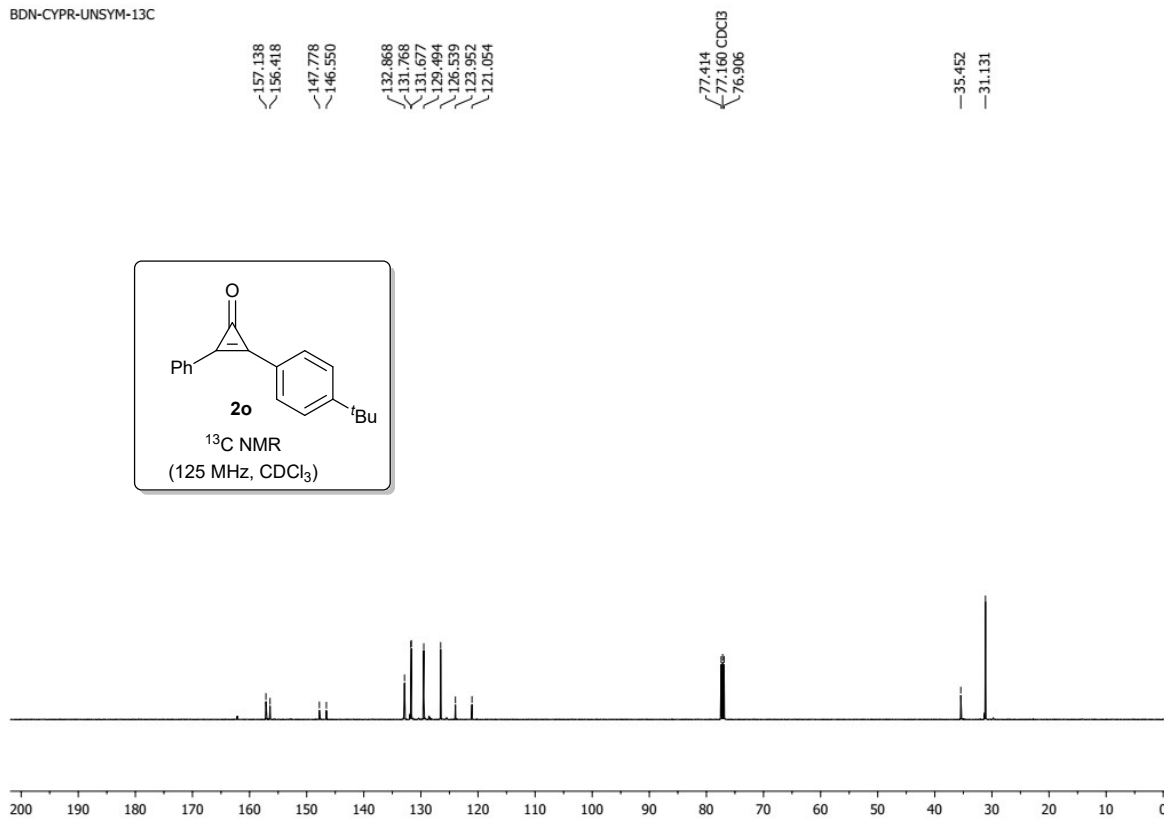
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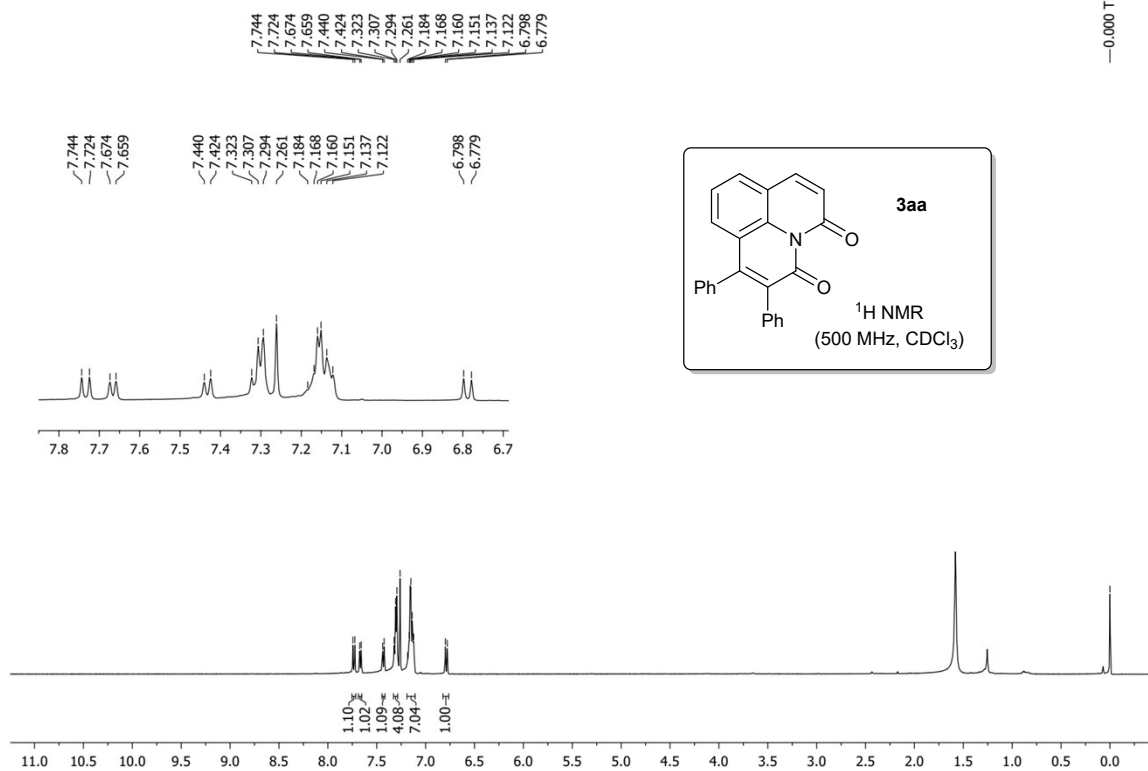
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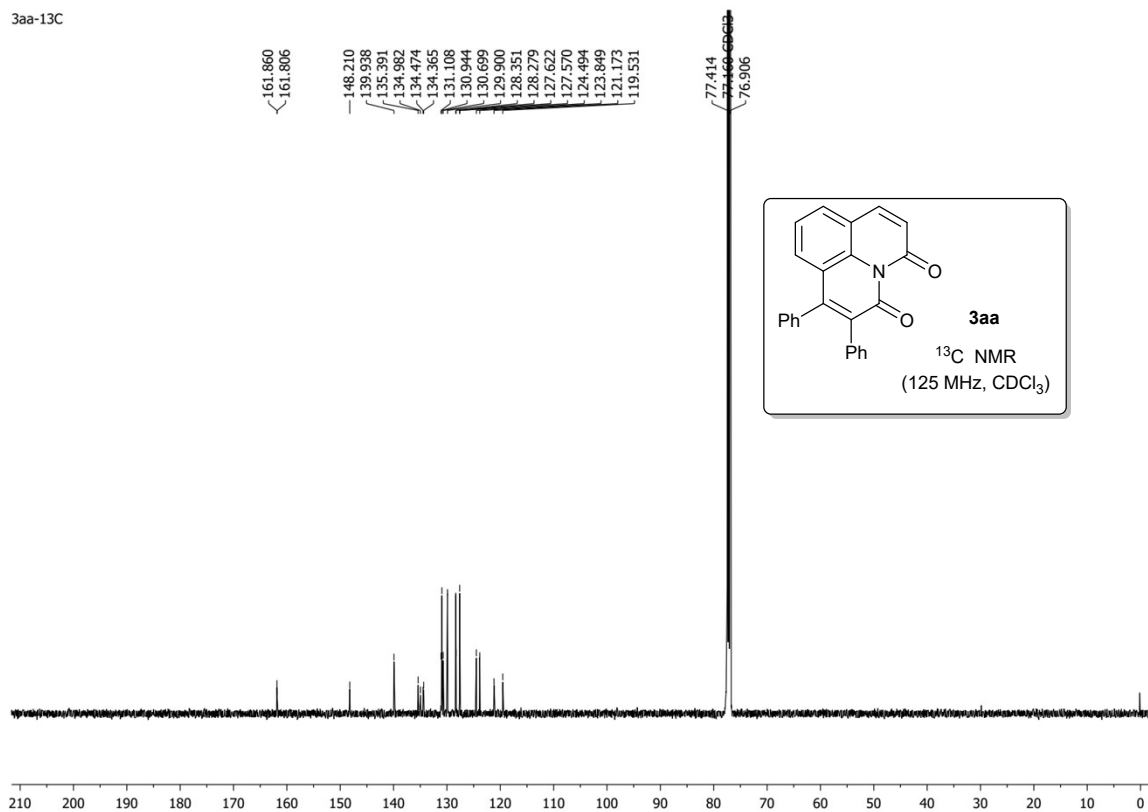
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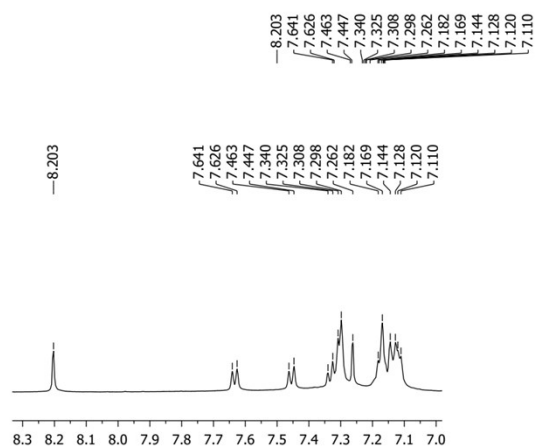
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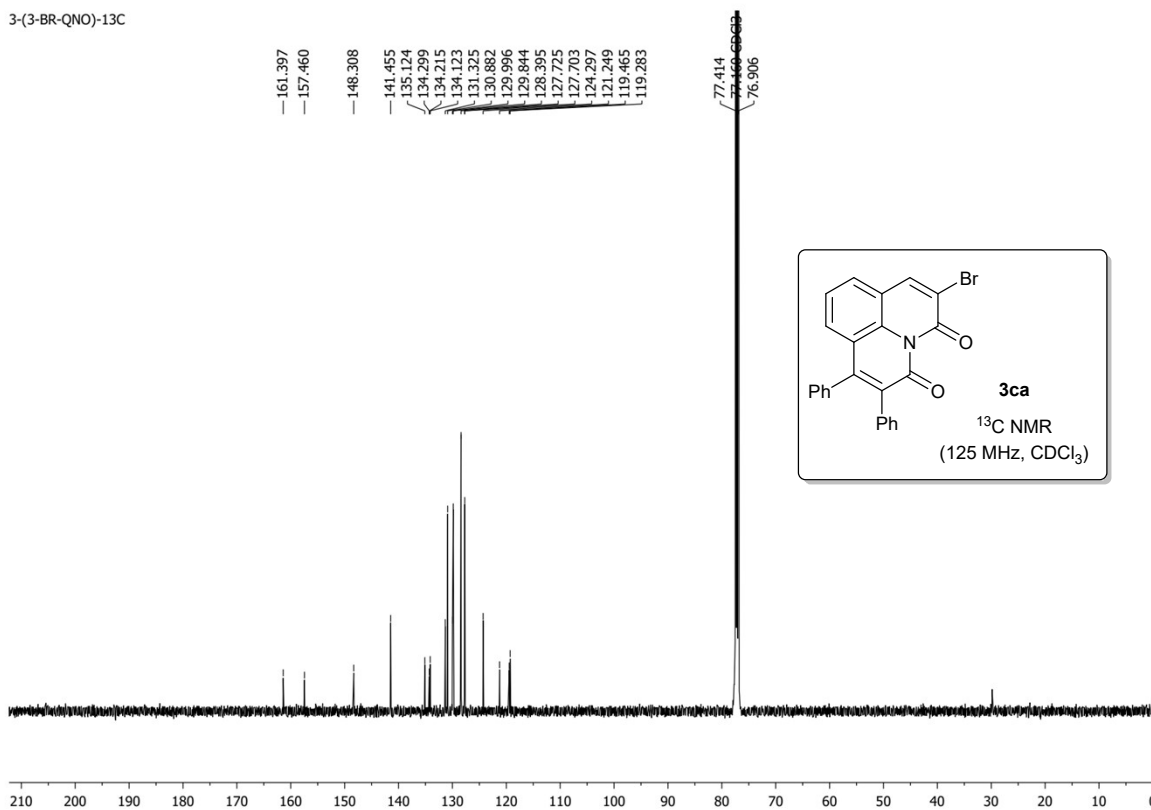
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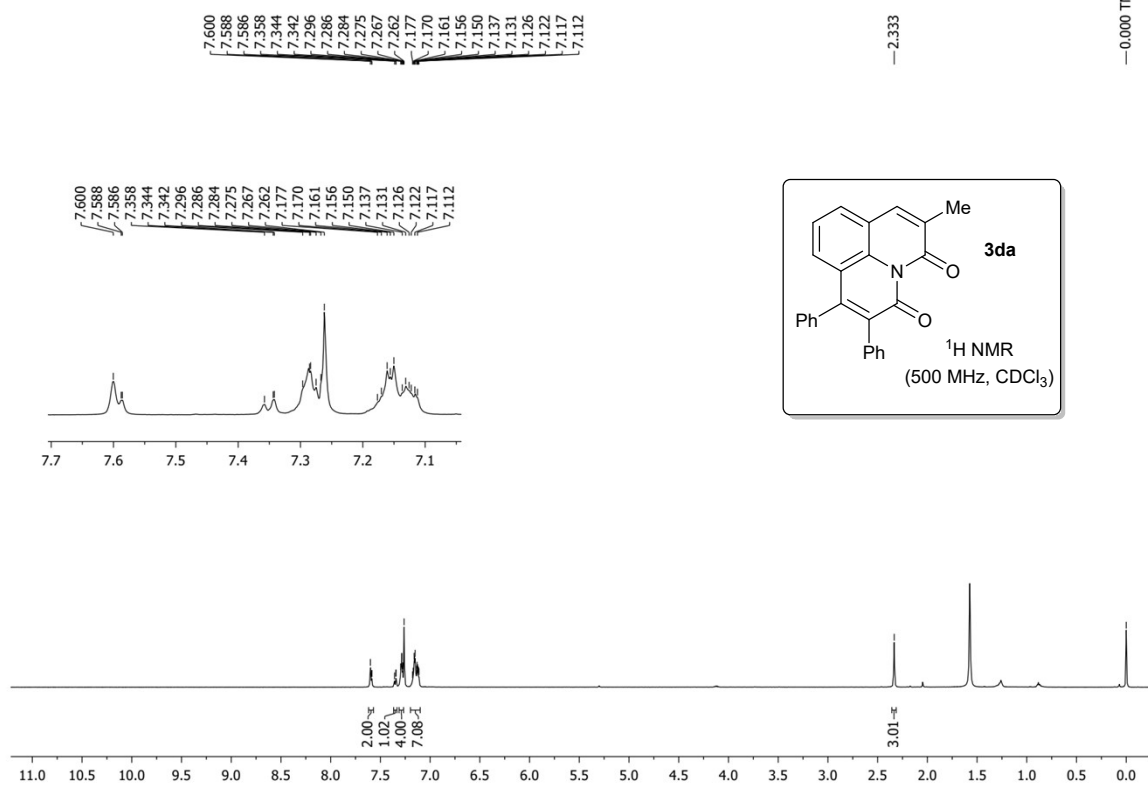
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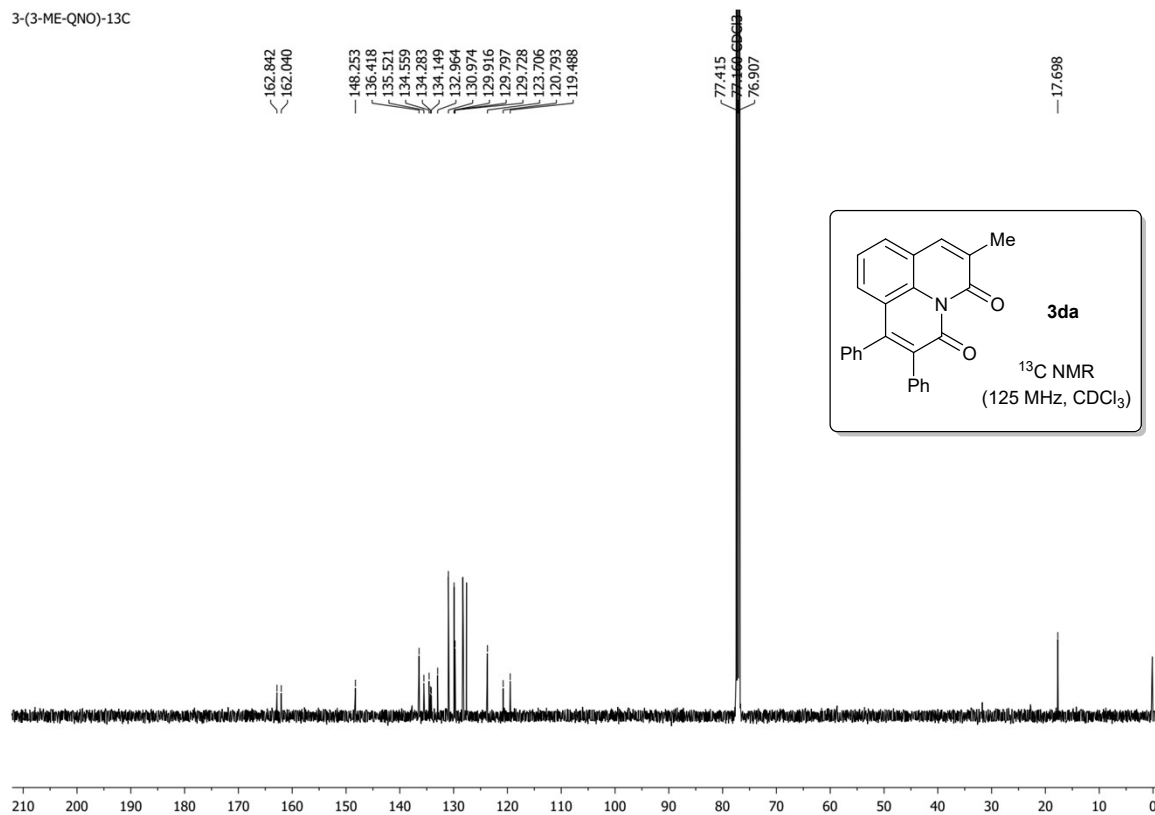
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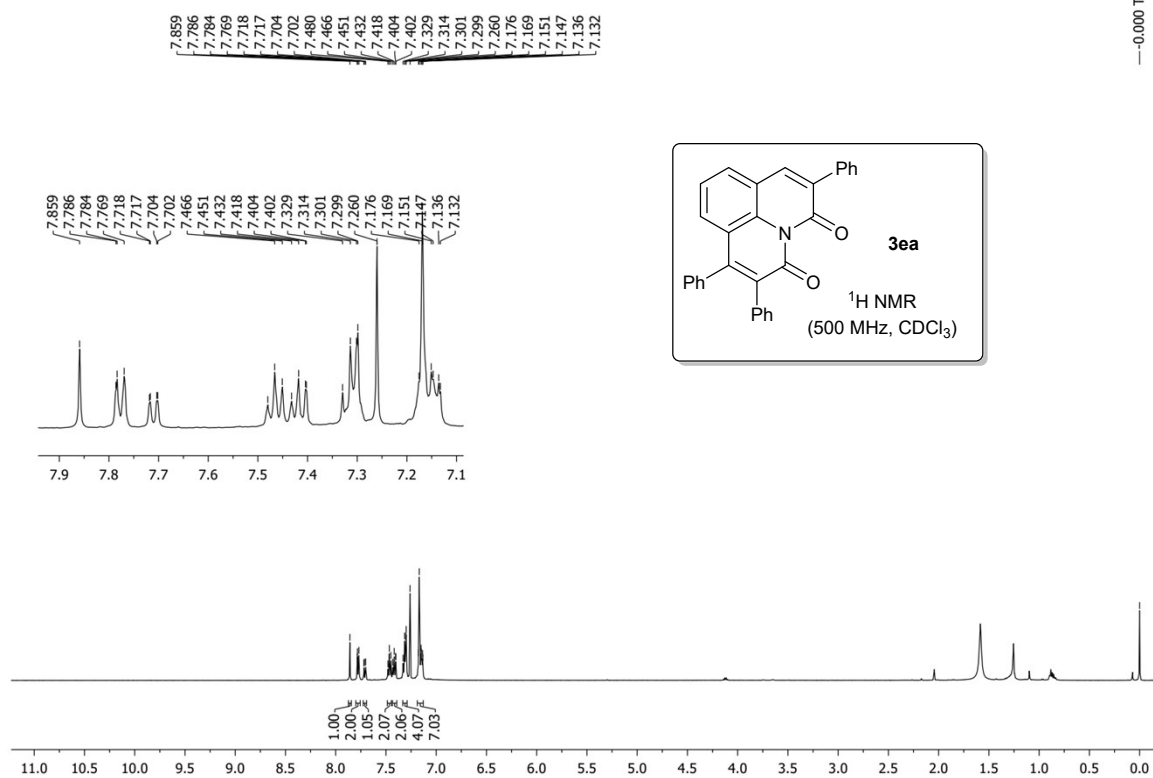
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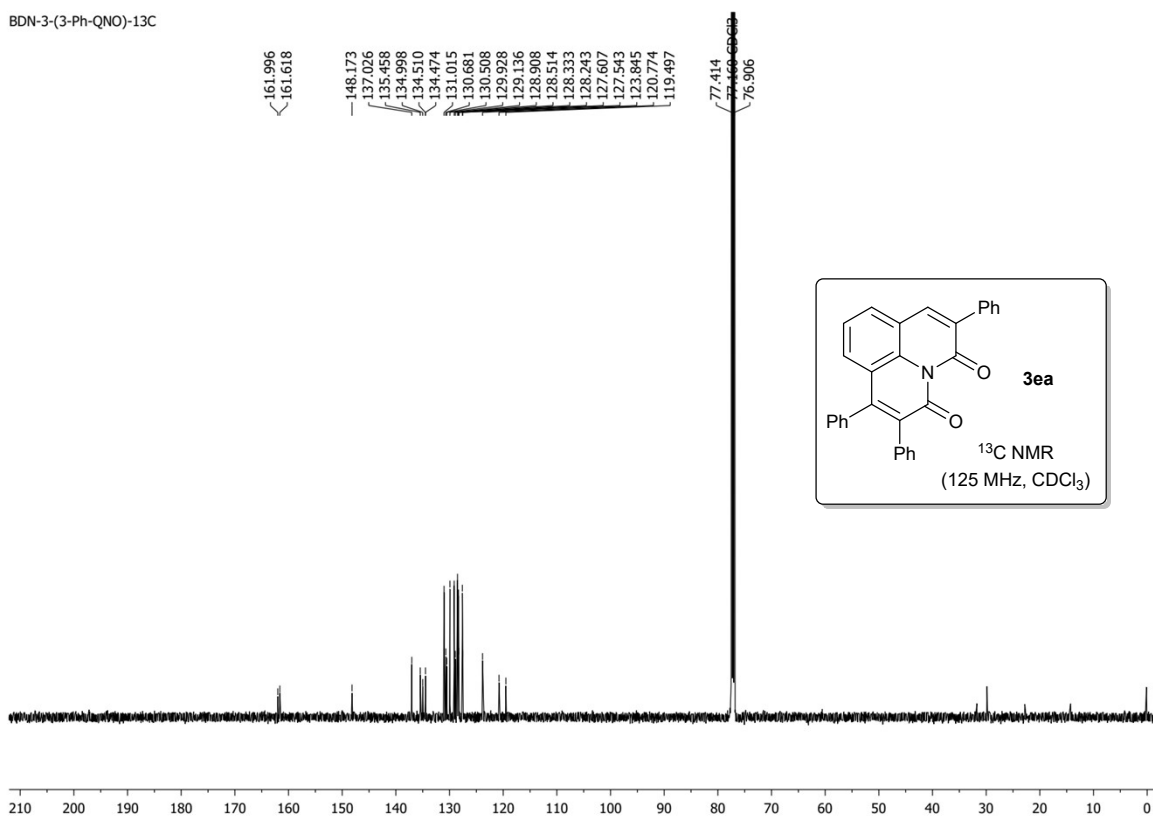
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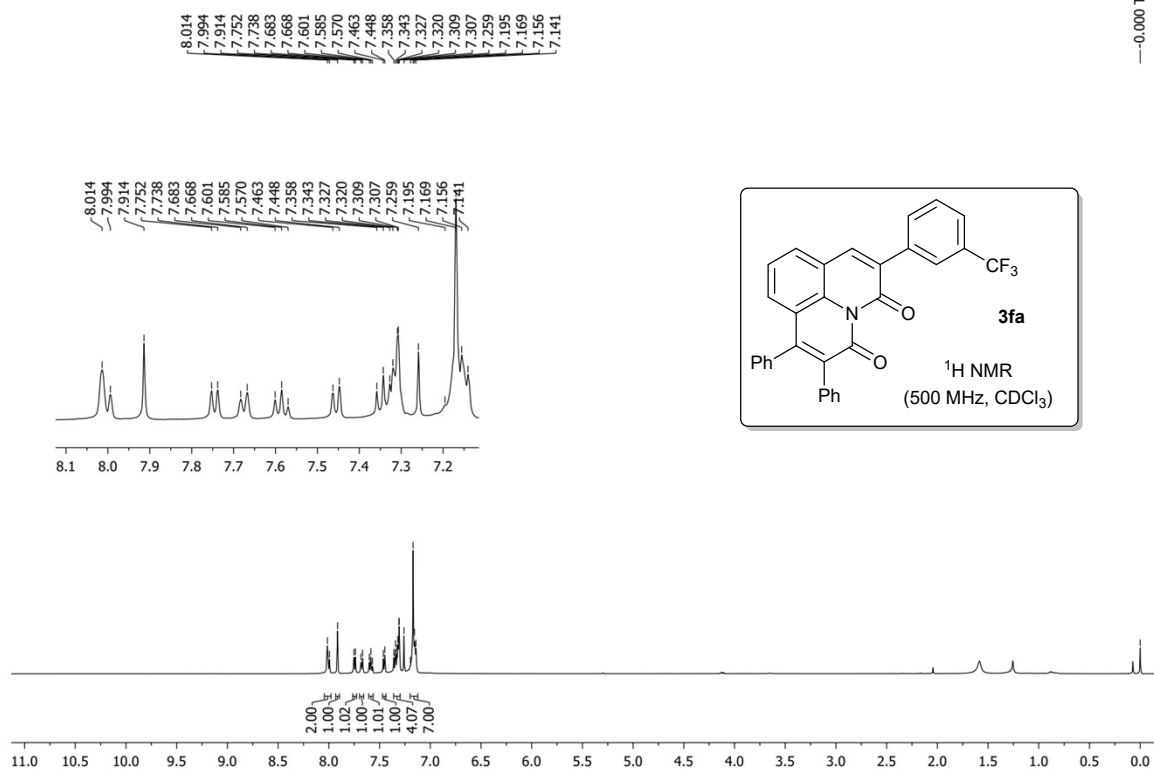
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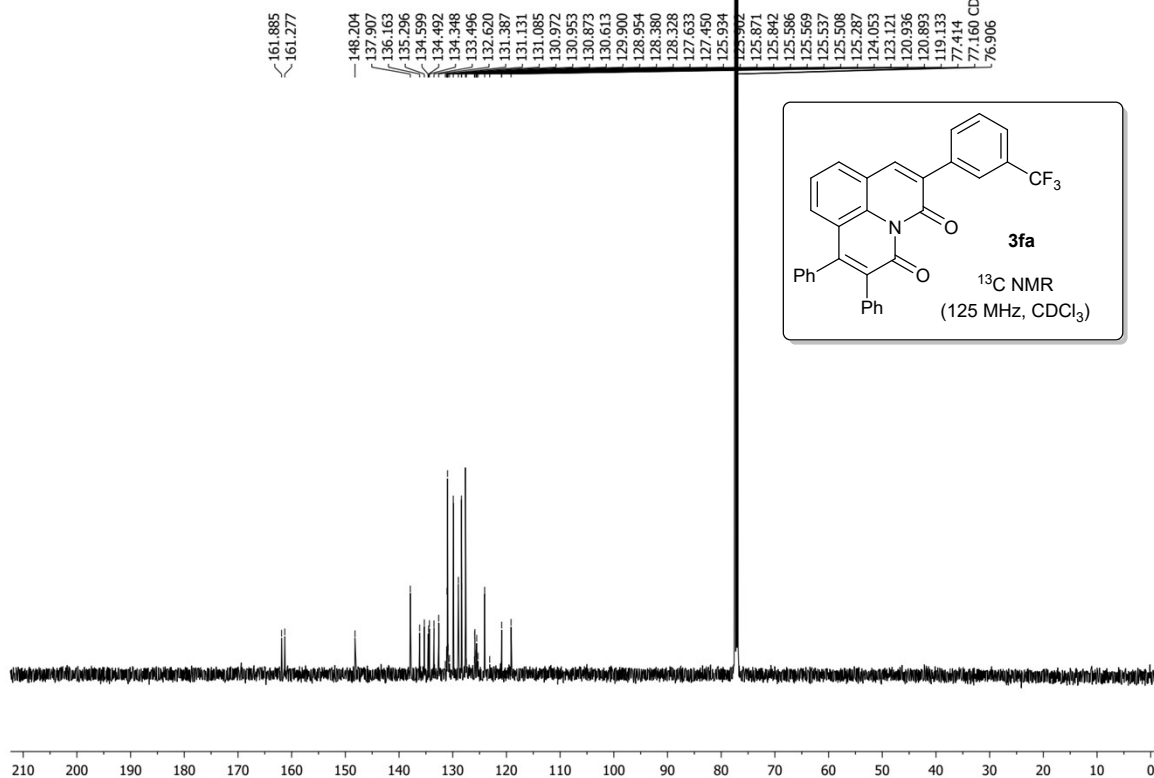
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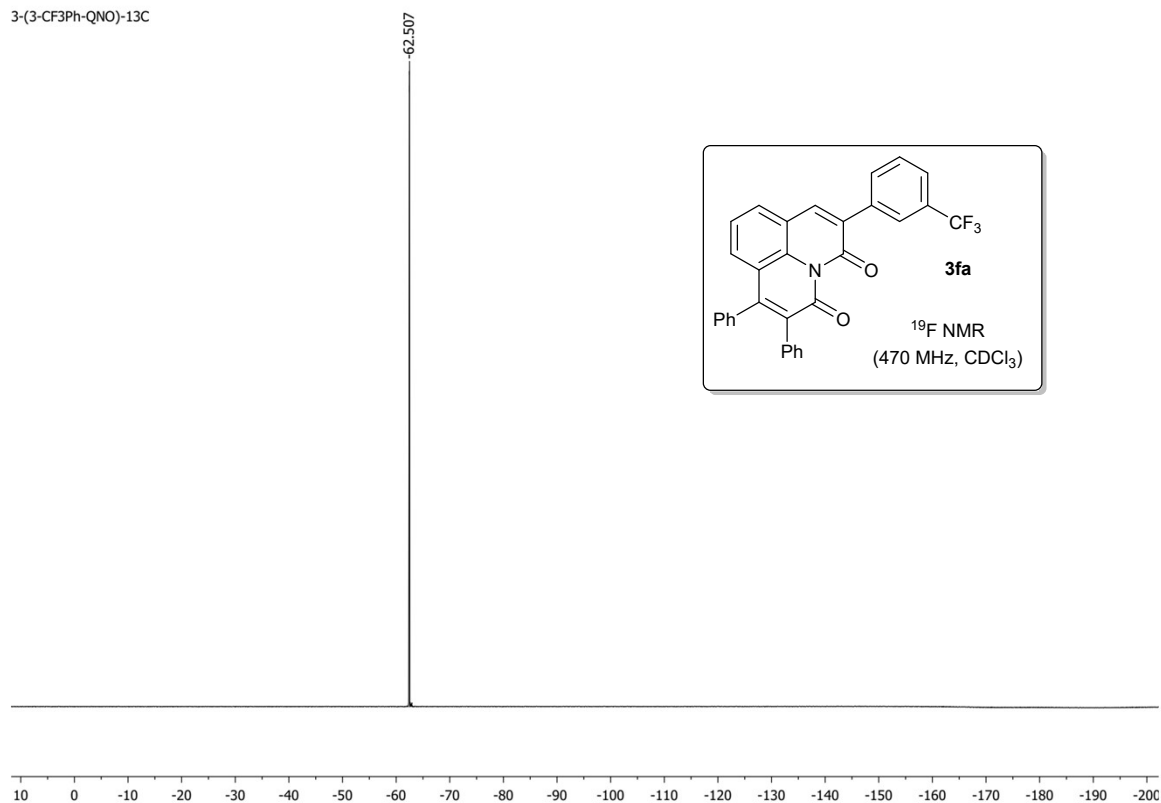
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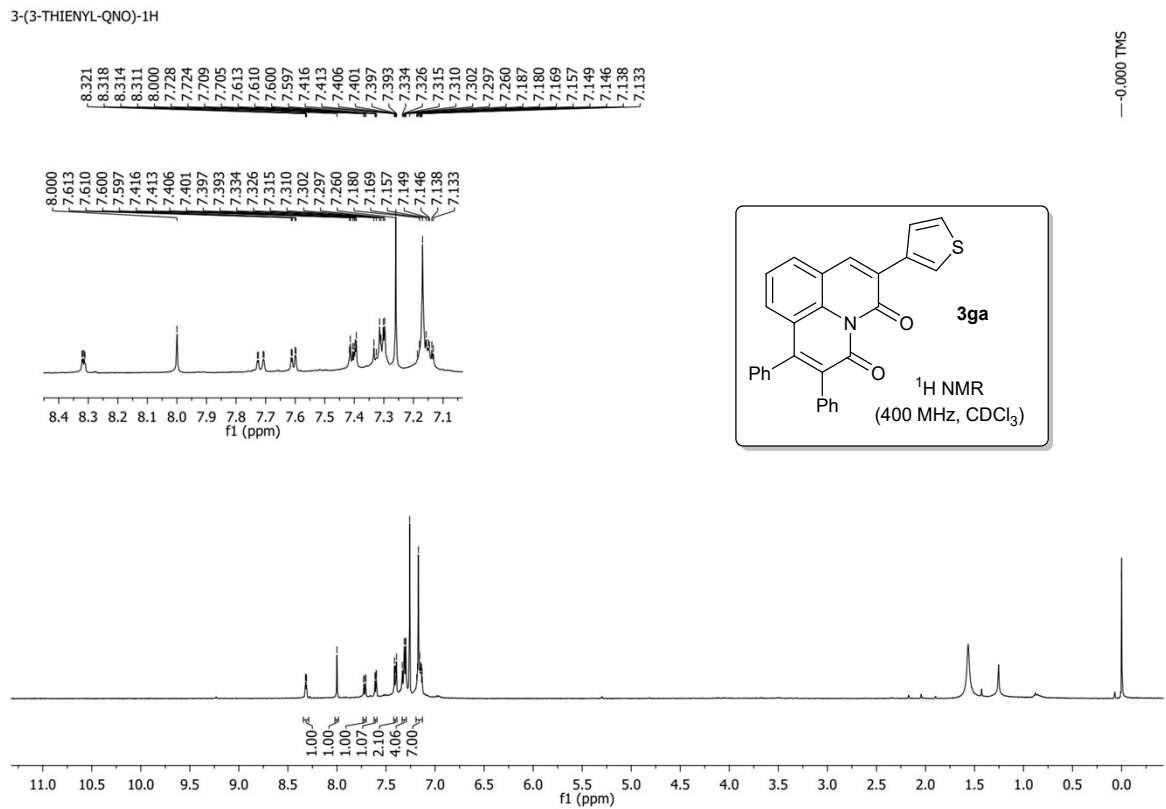
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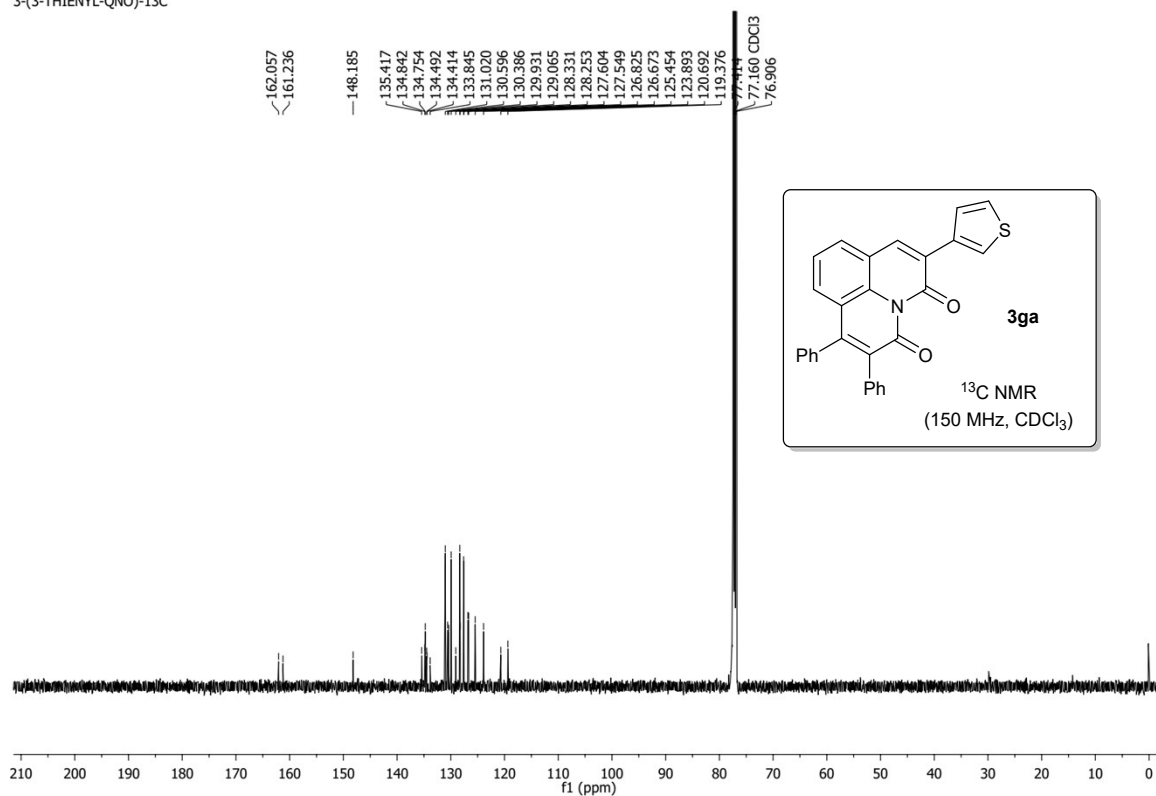
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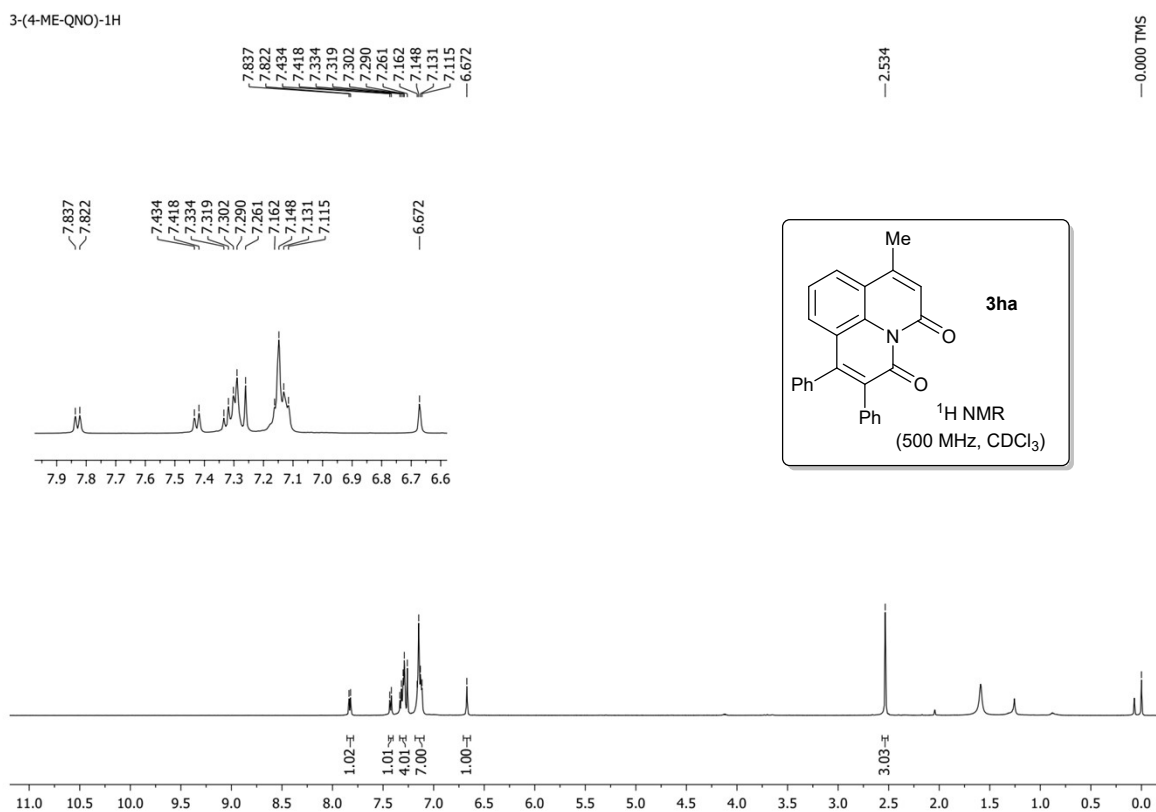
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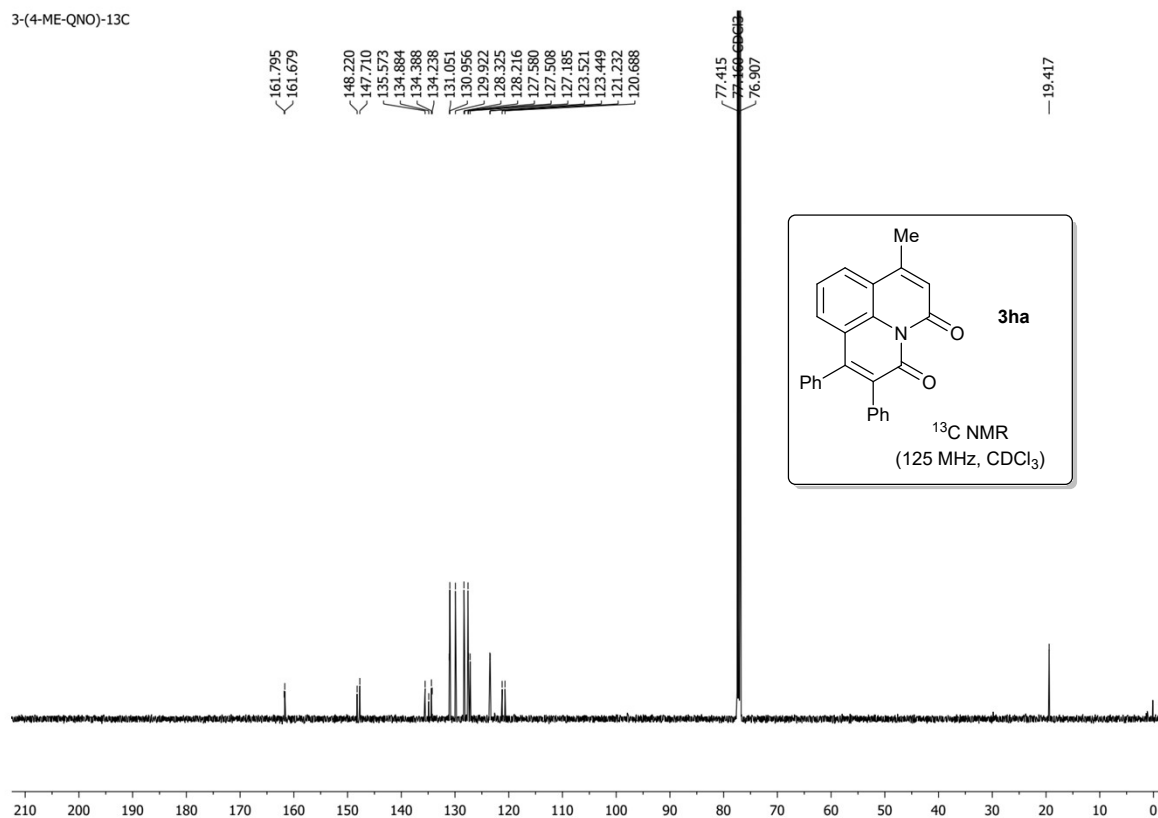
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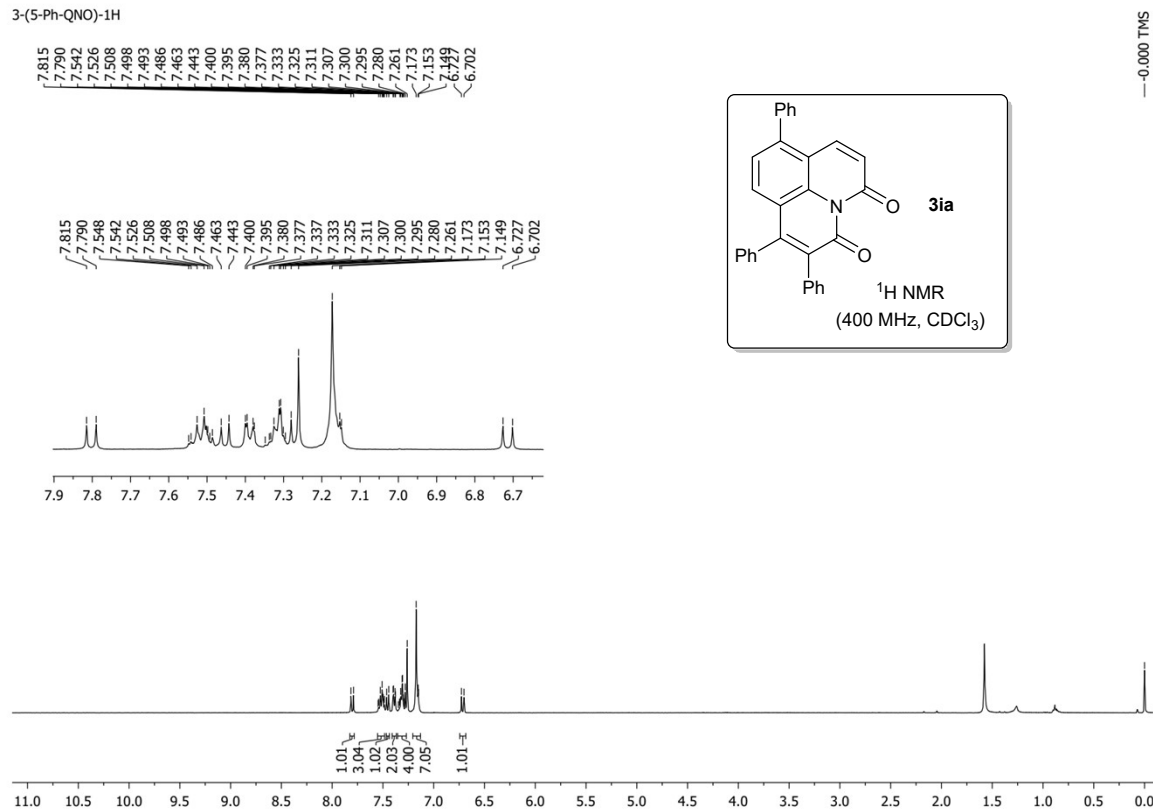
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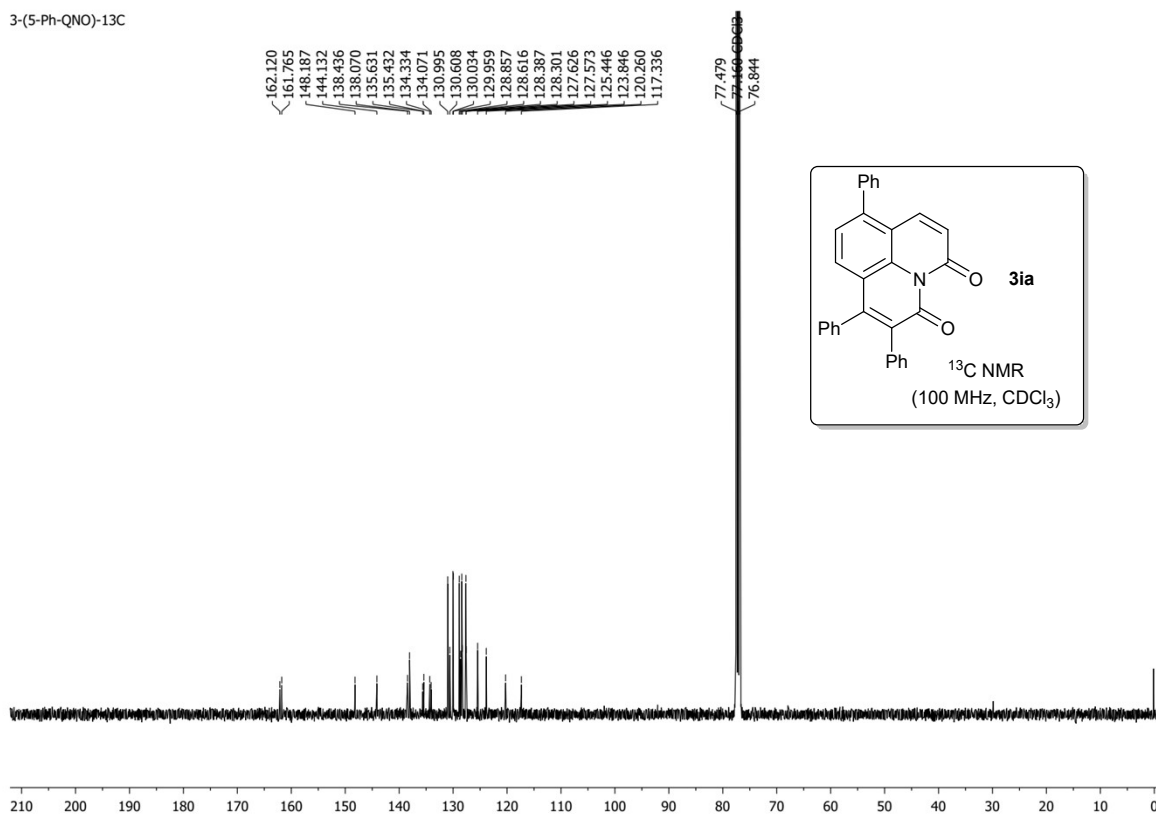
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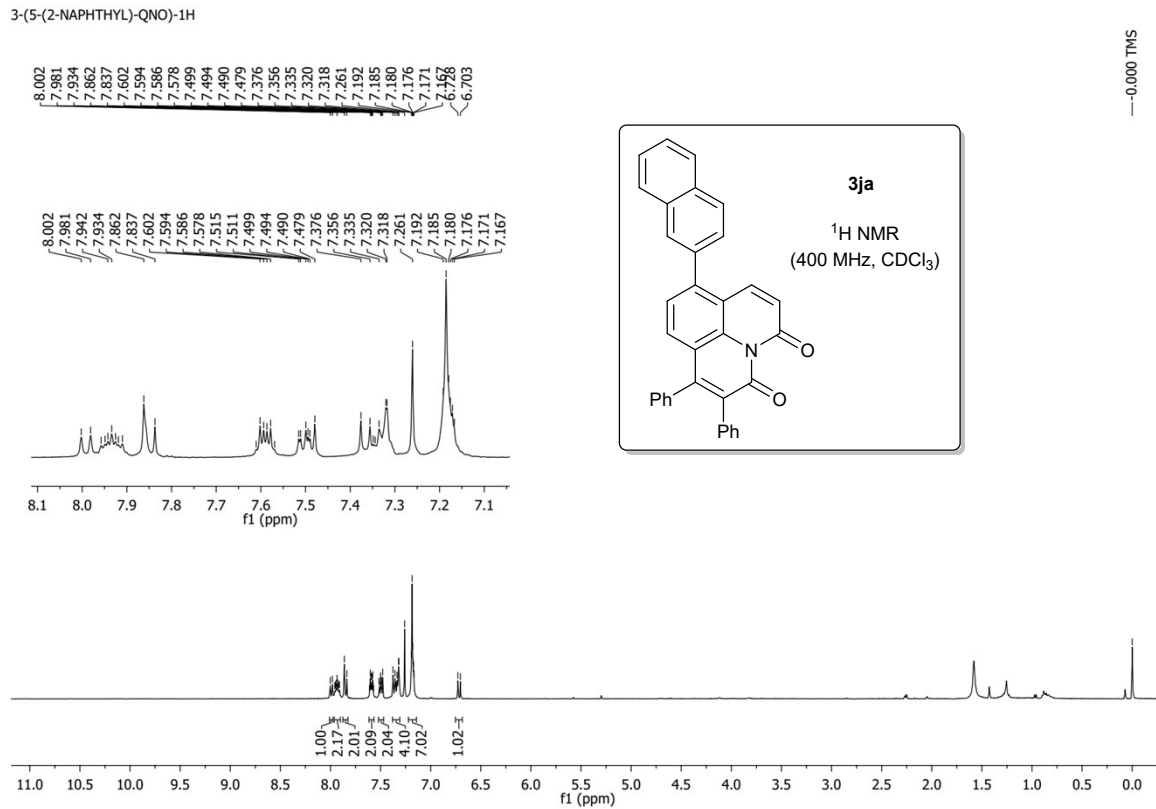
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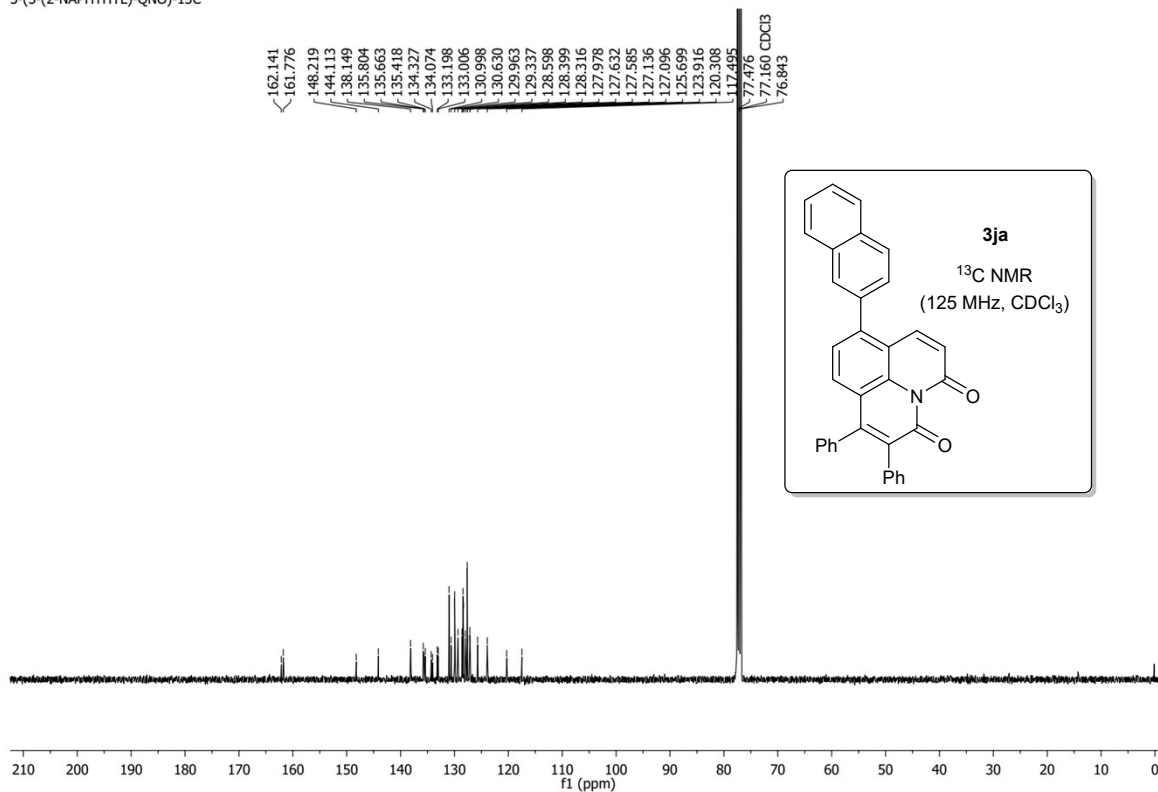
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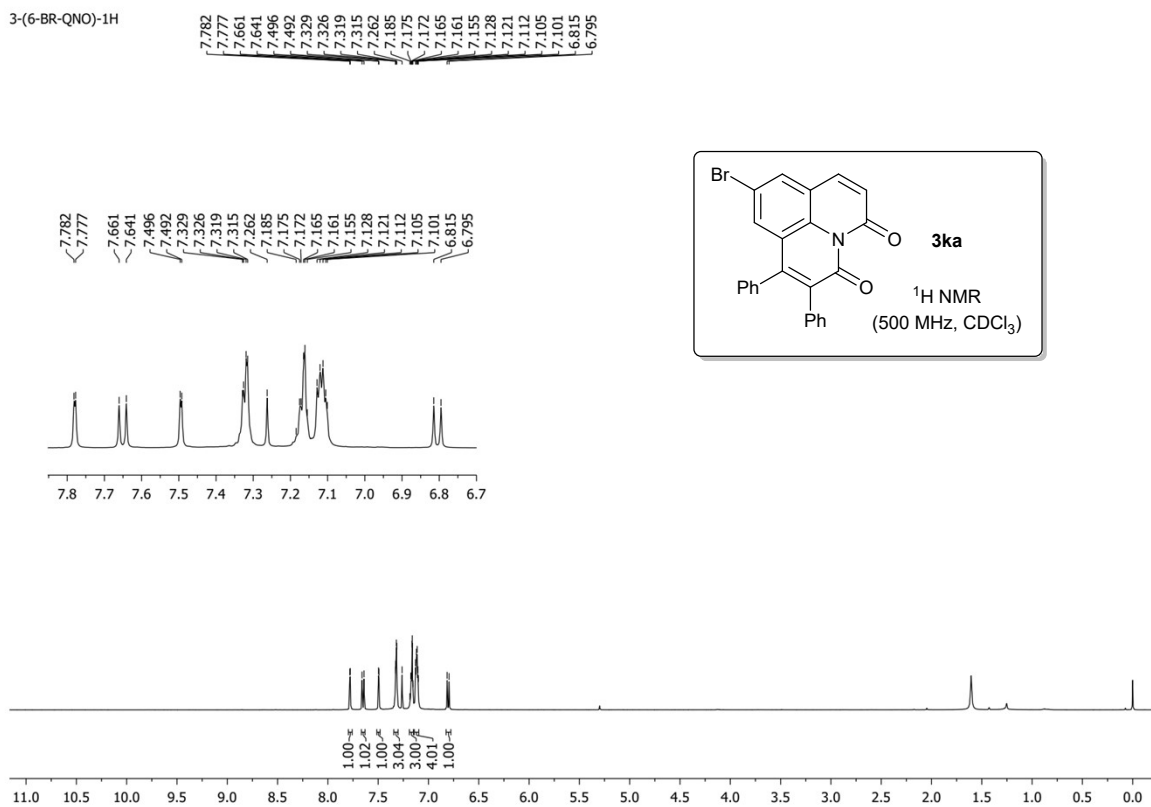
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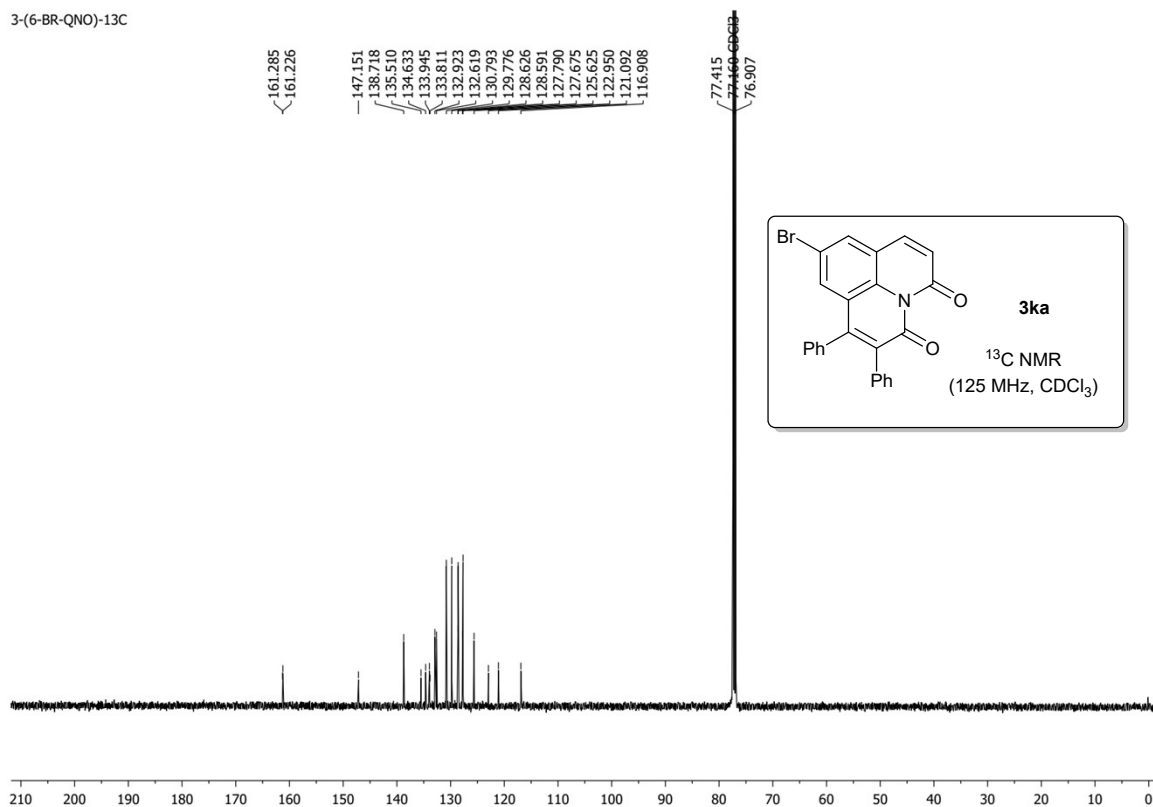
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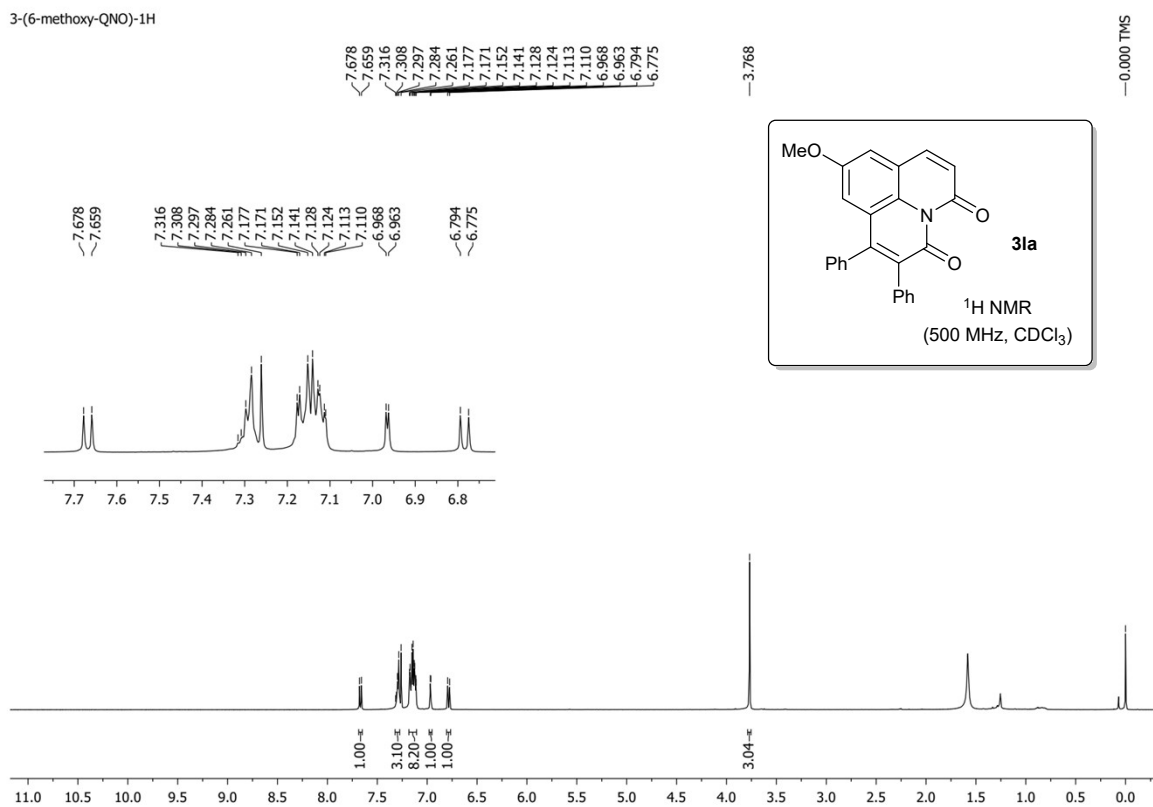
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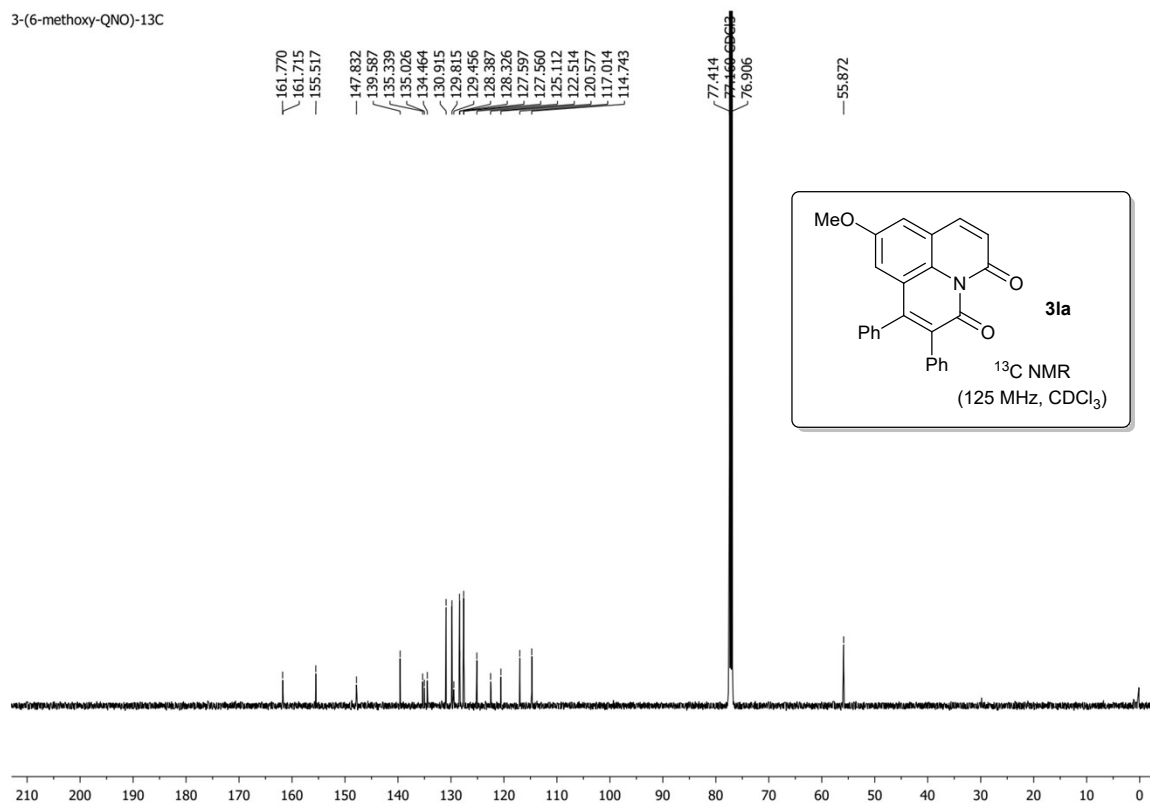
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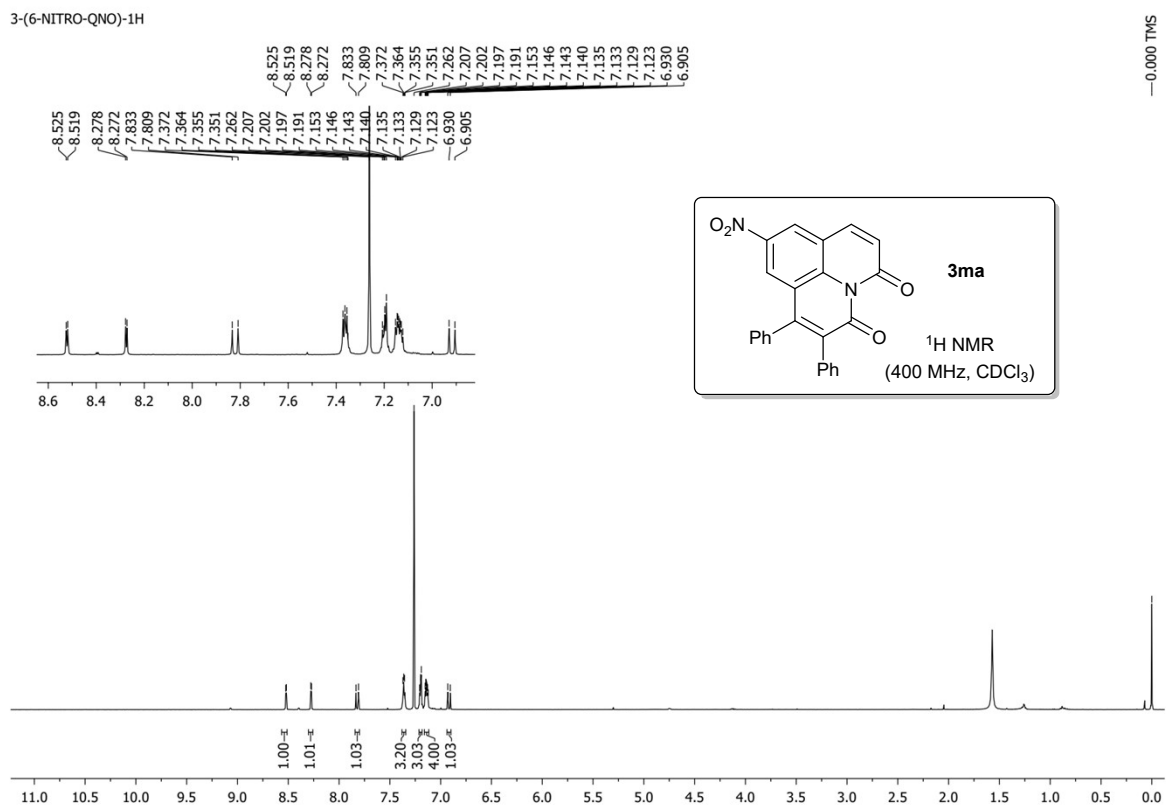
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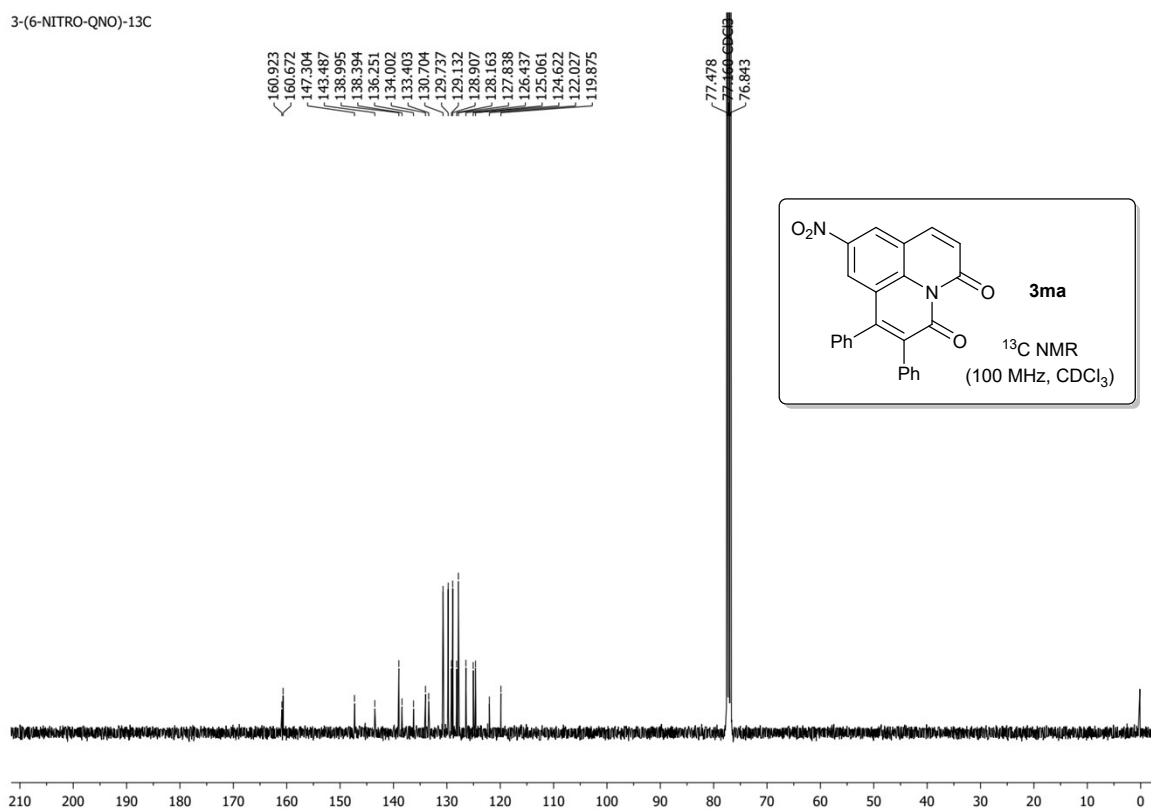
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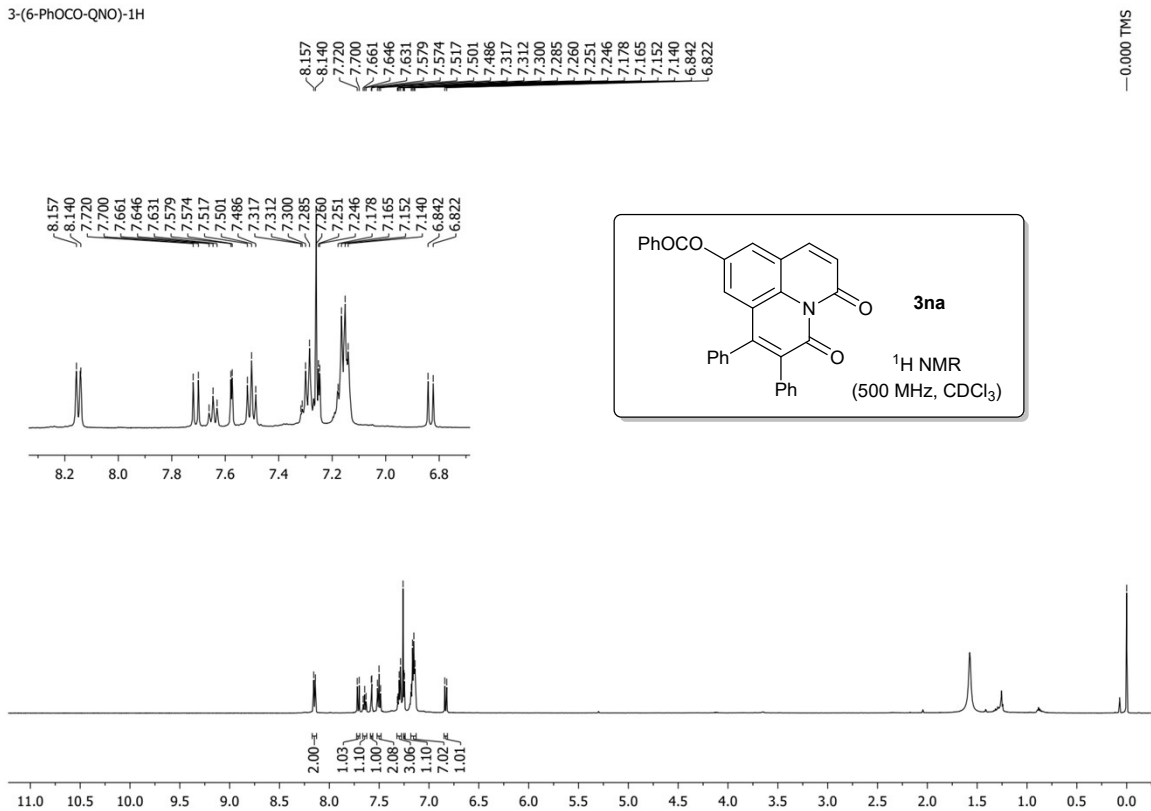
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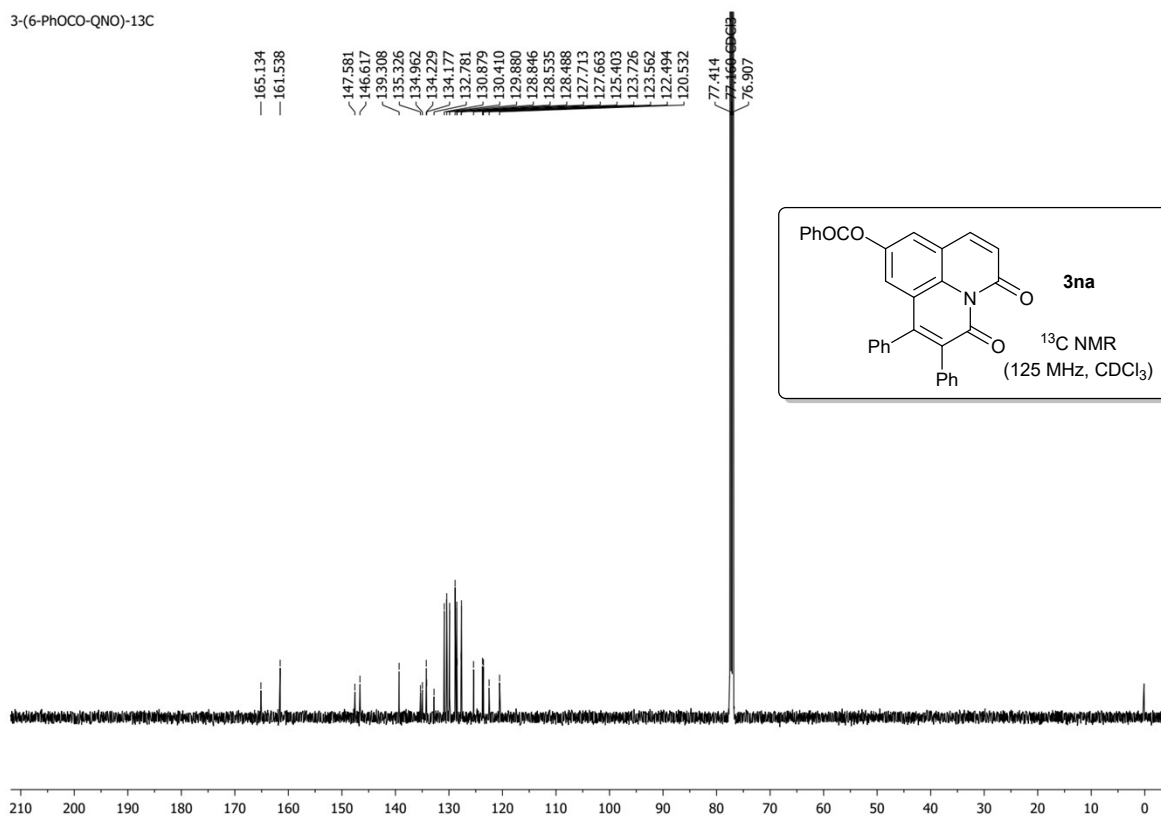
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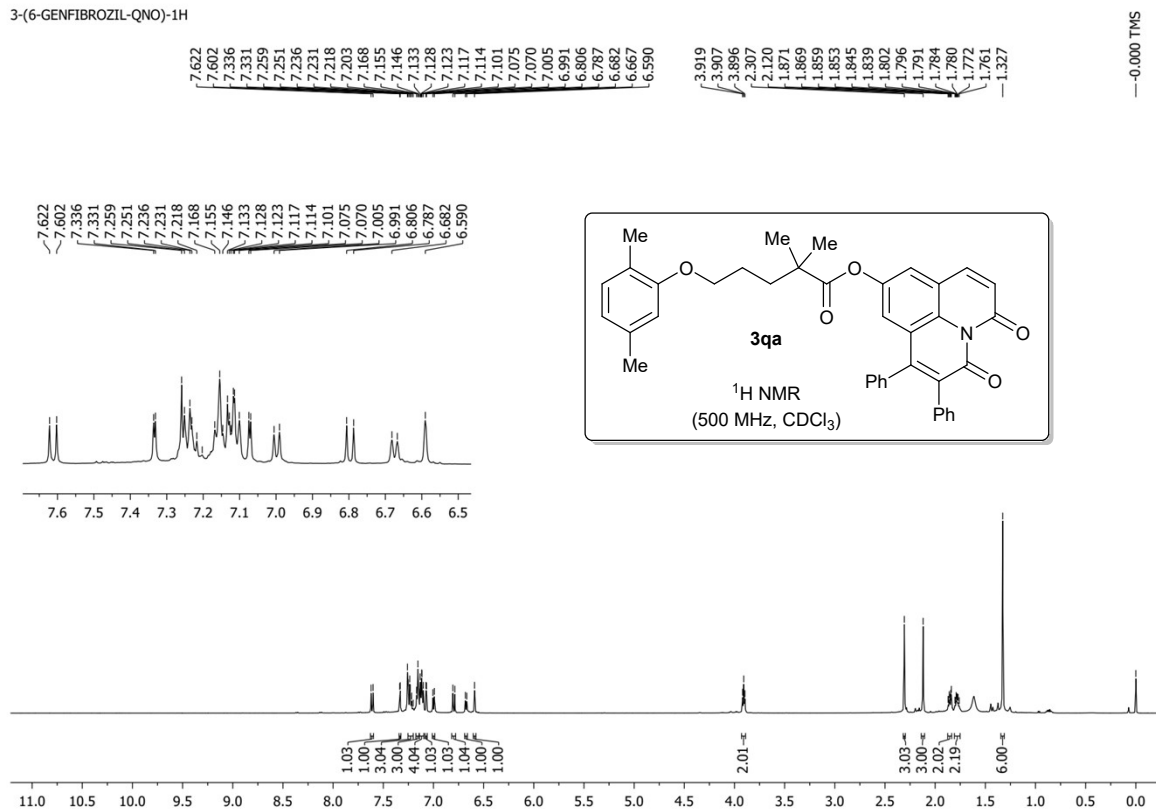
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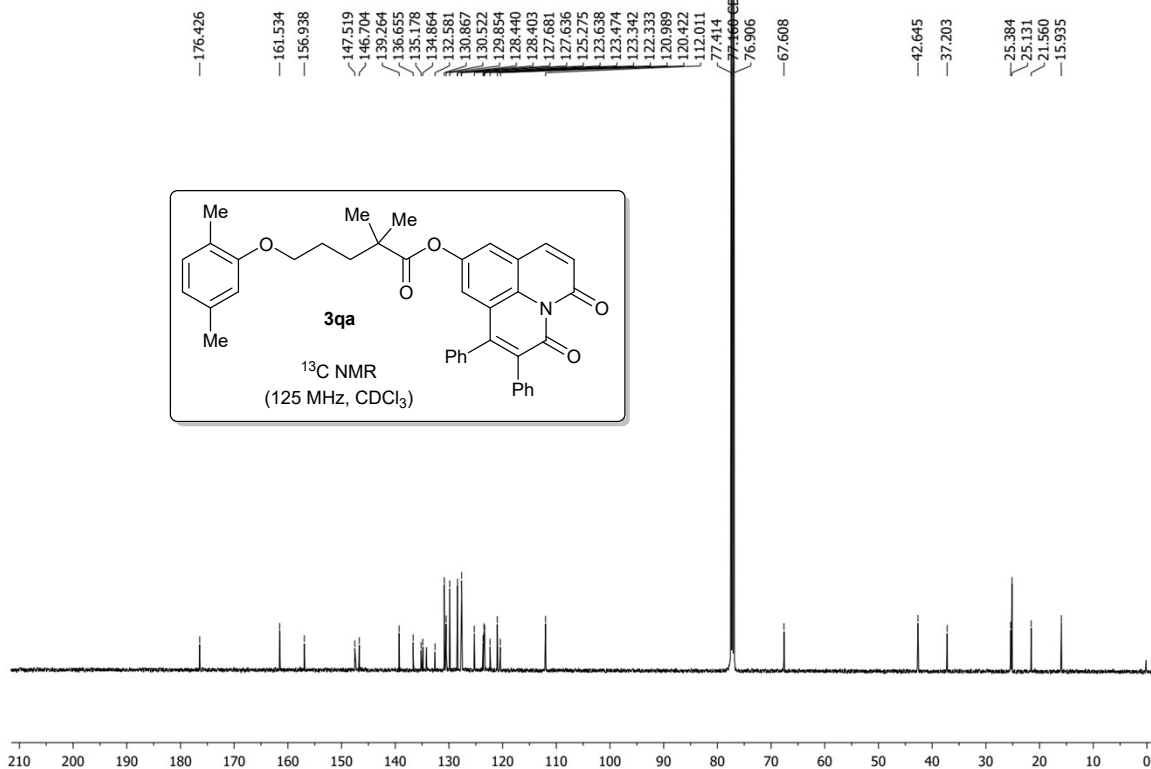
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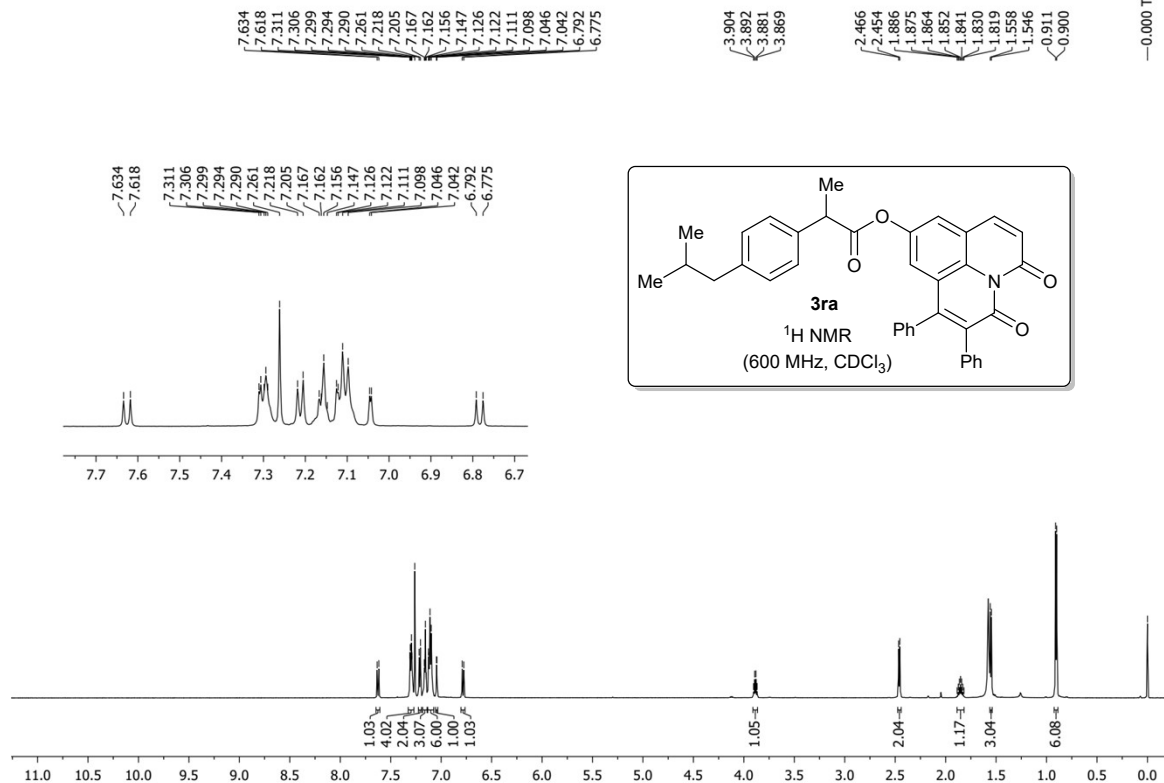
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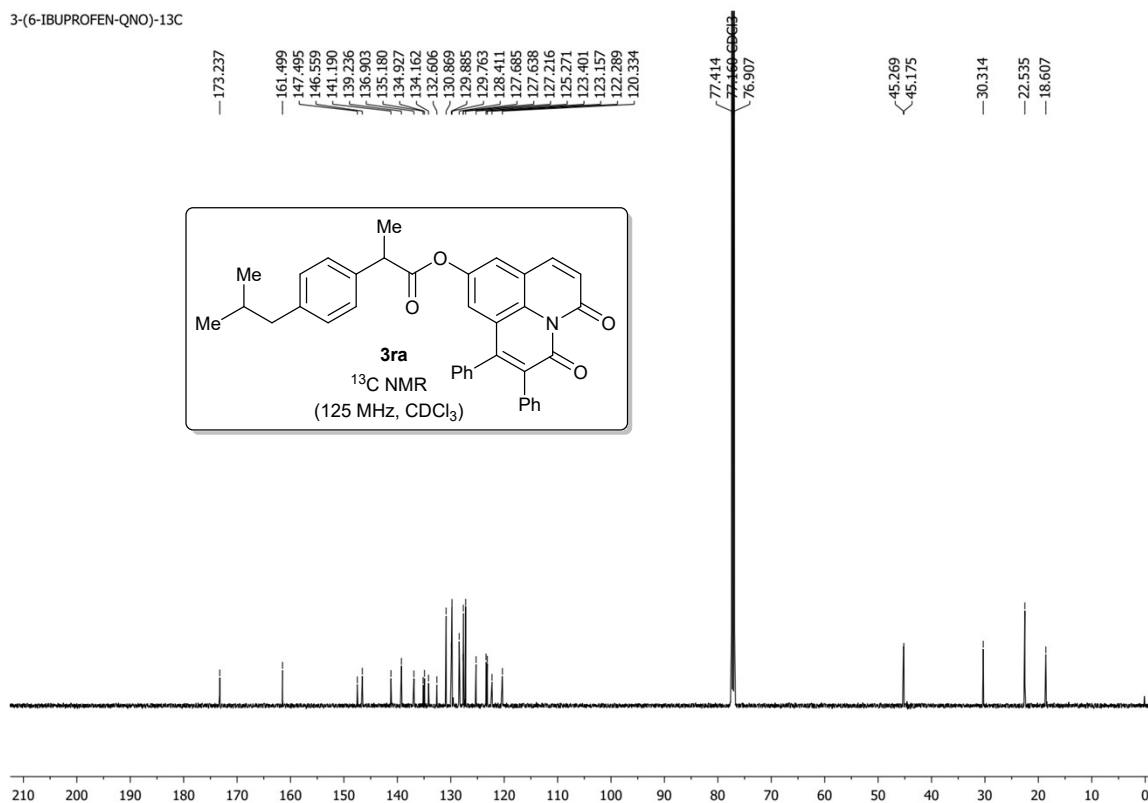
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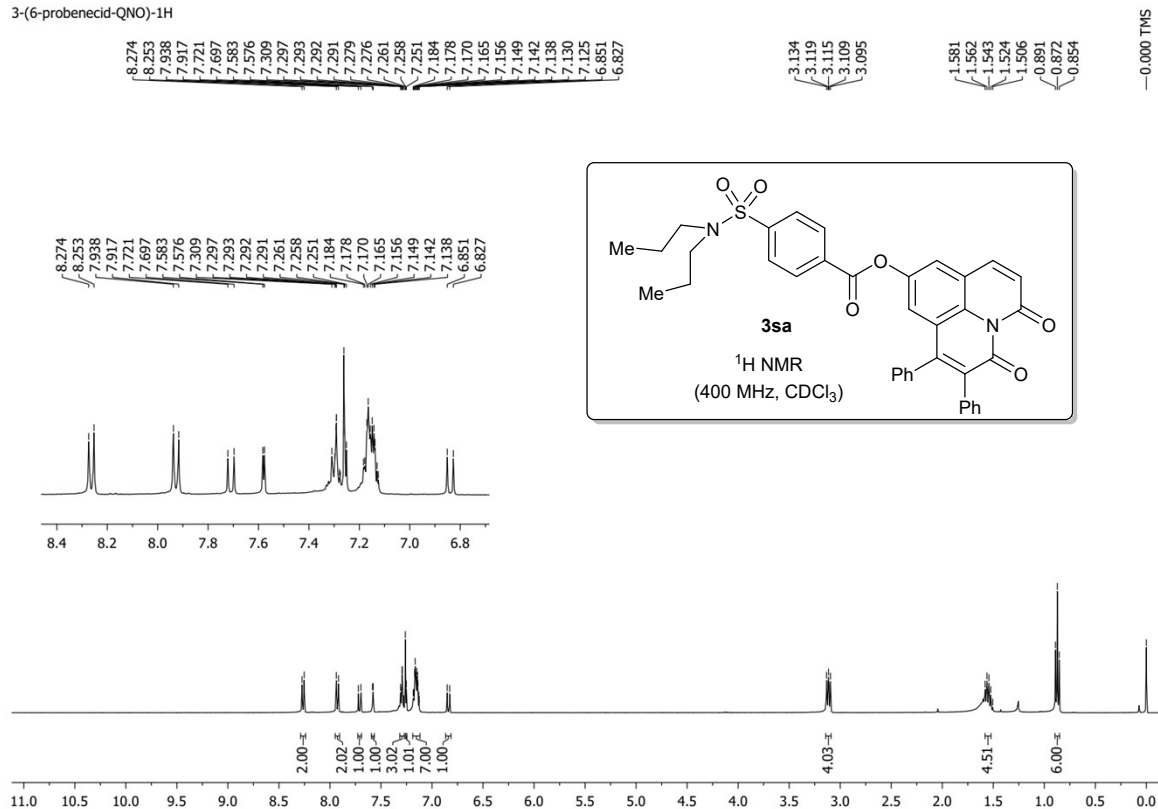
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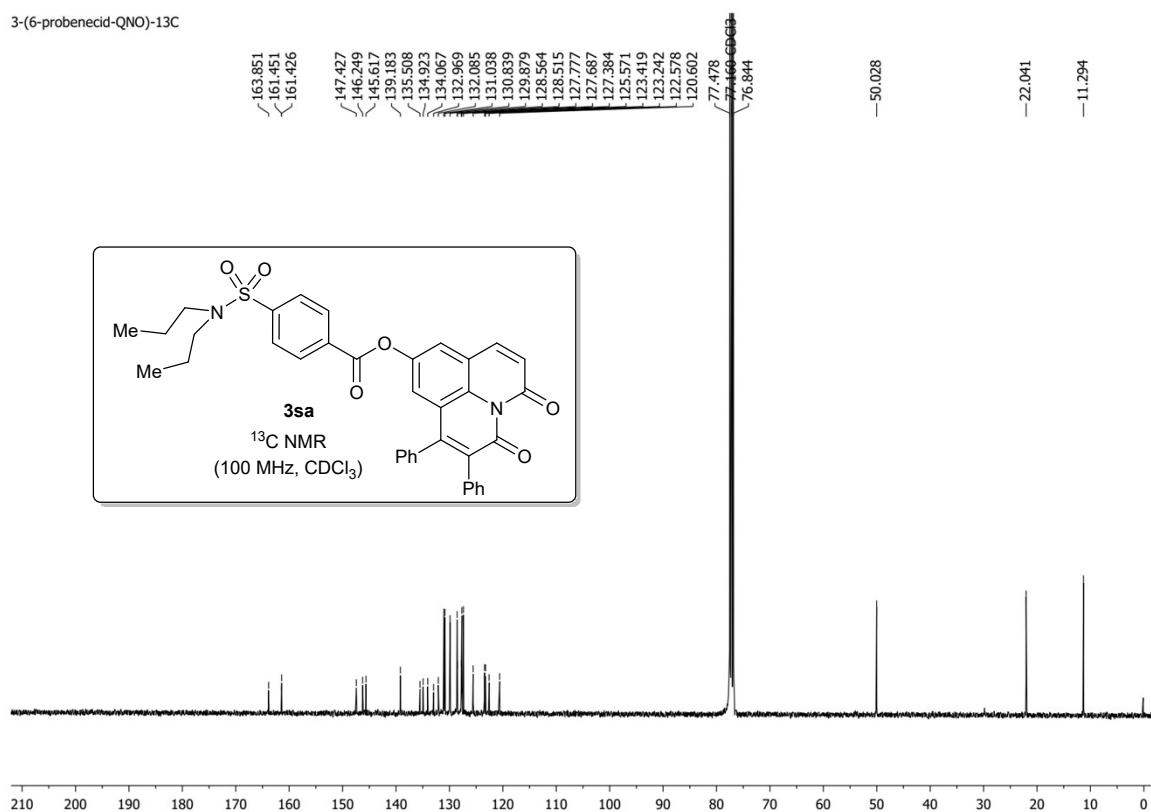
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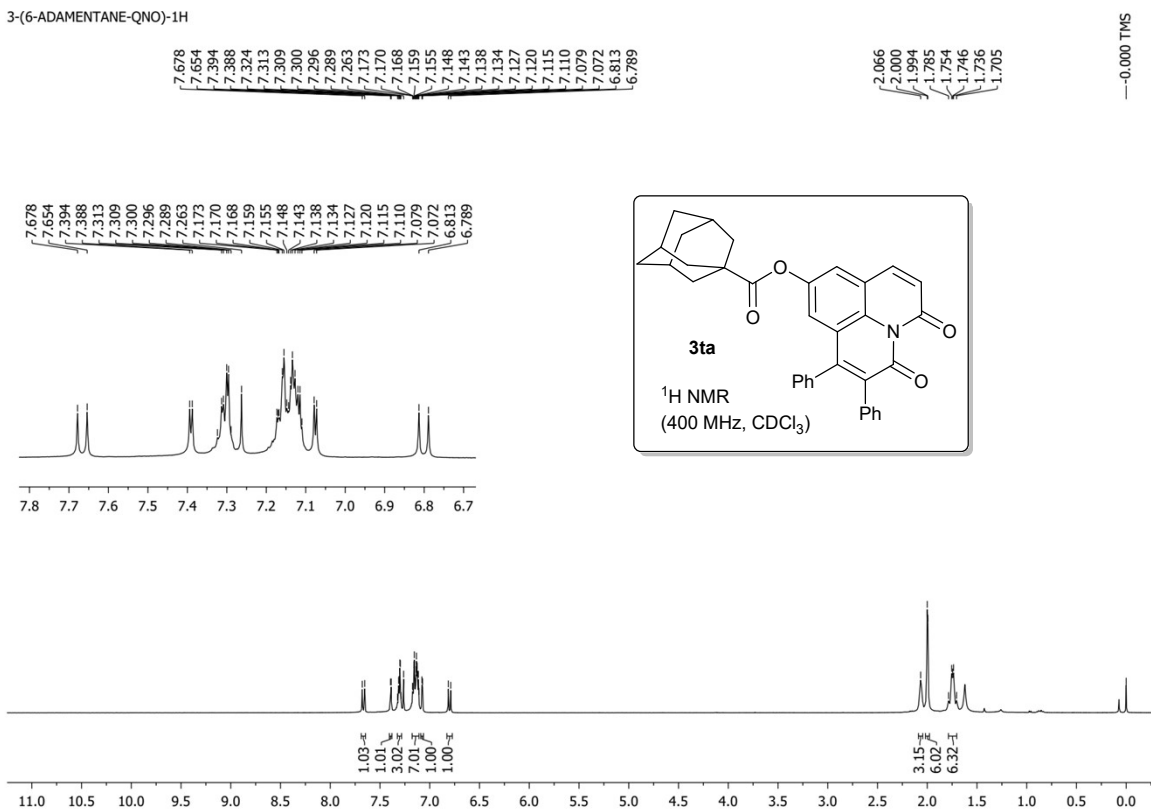
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(150 MHz, CDCl₃)

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3ab

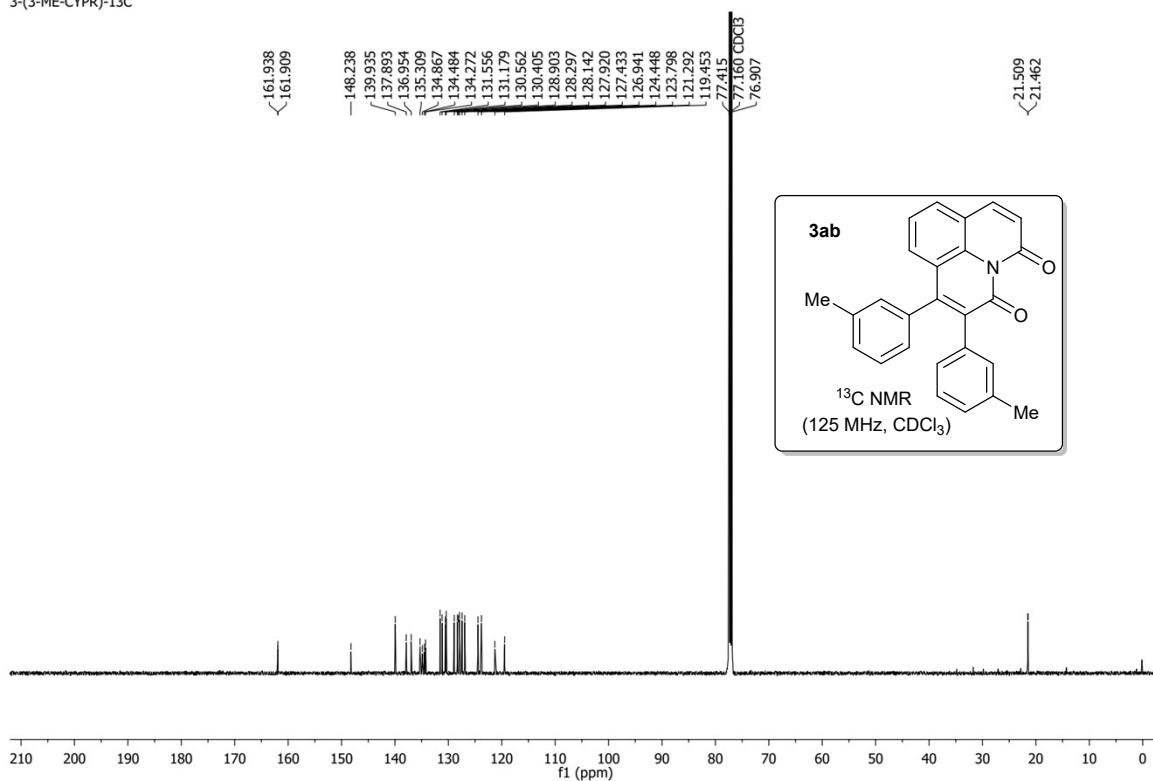
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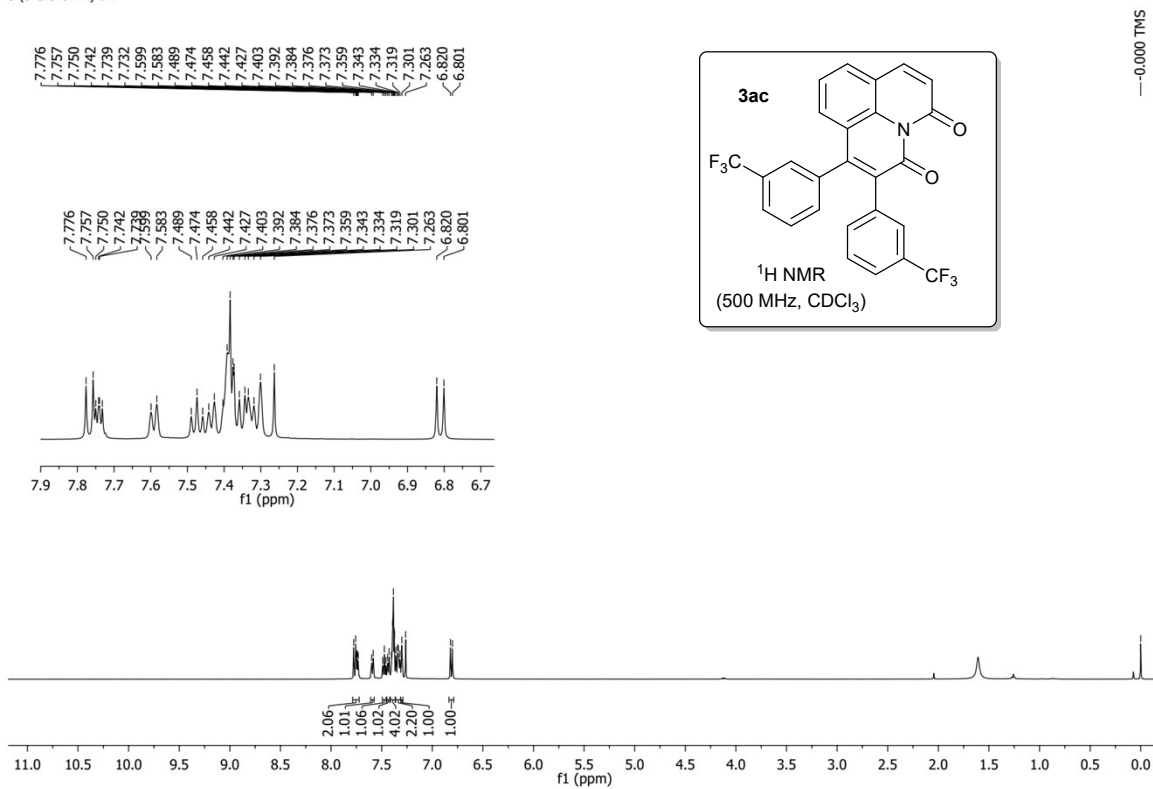
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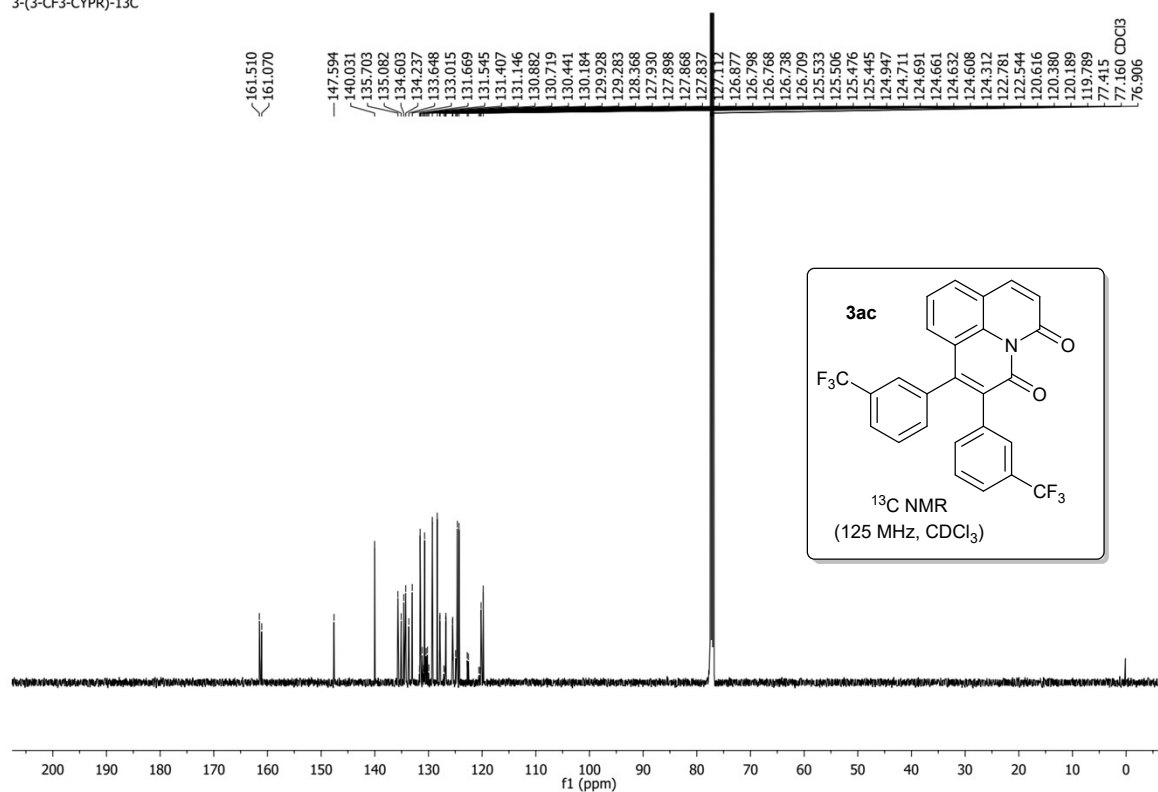
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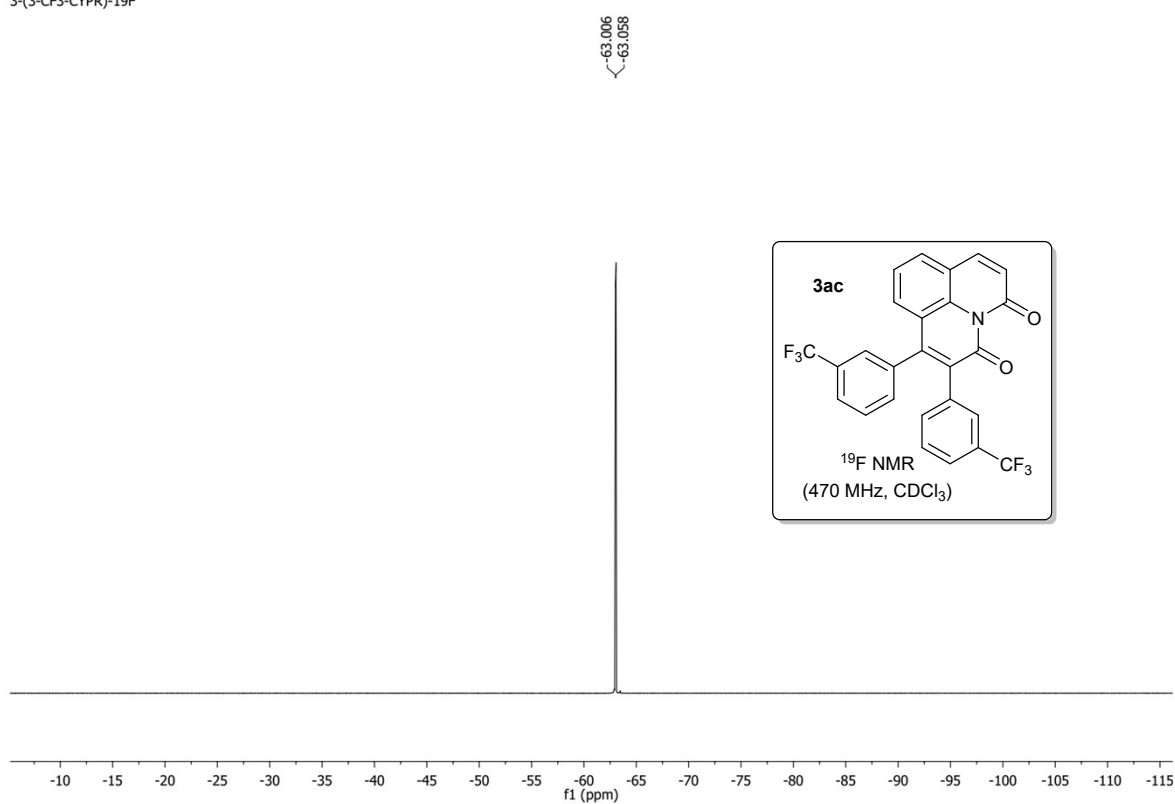
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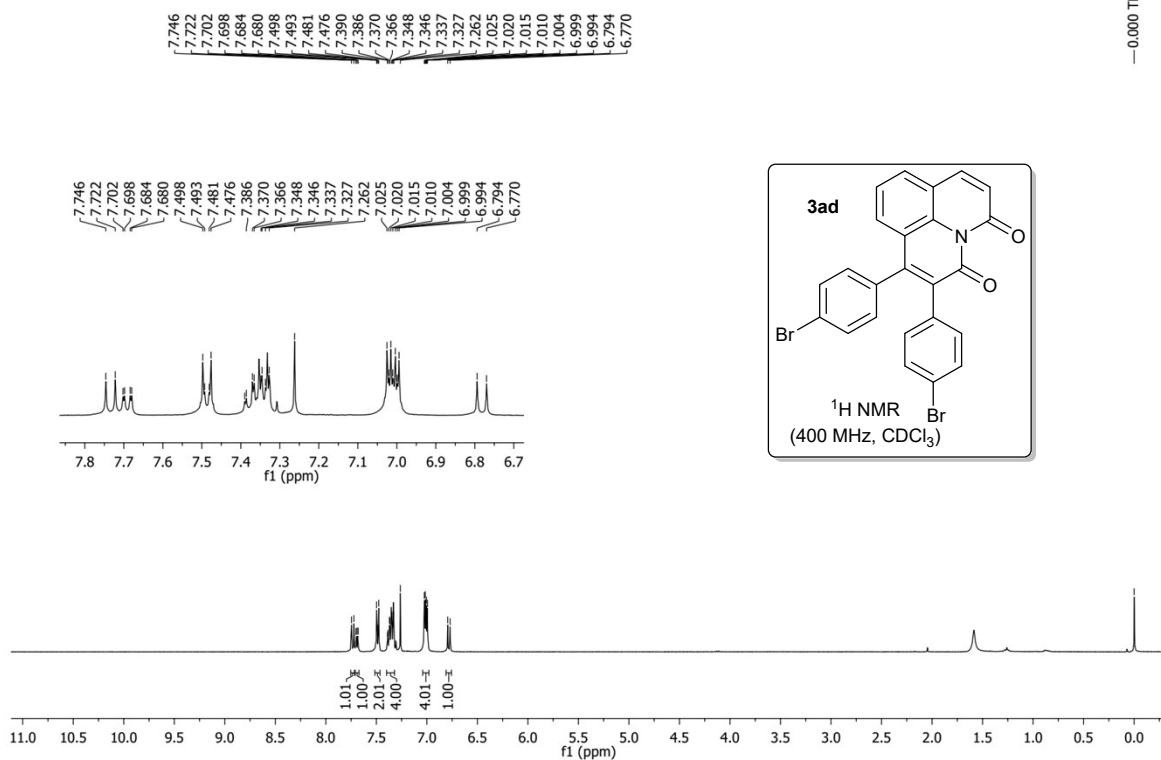
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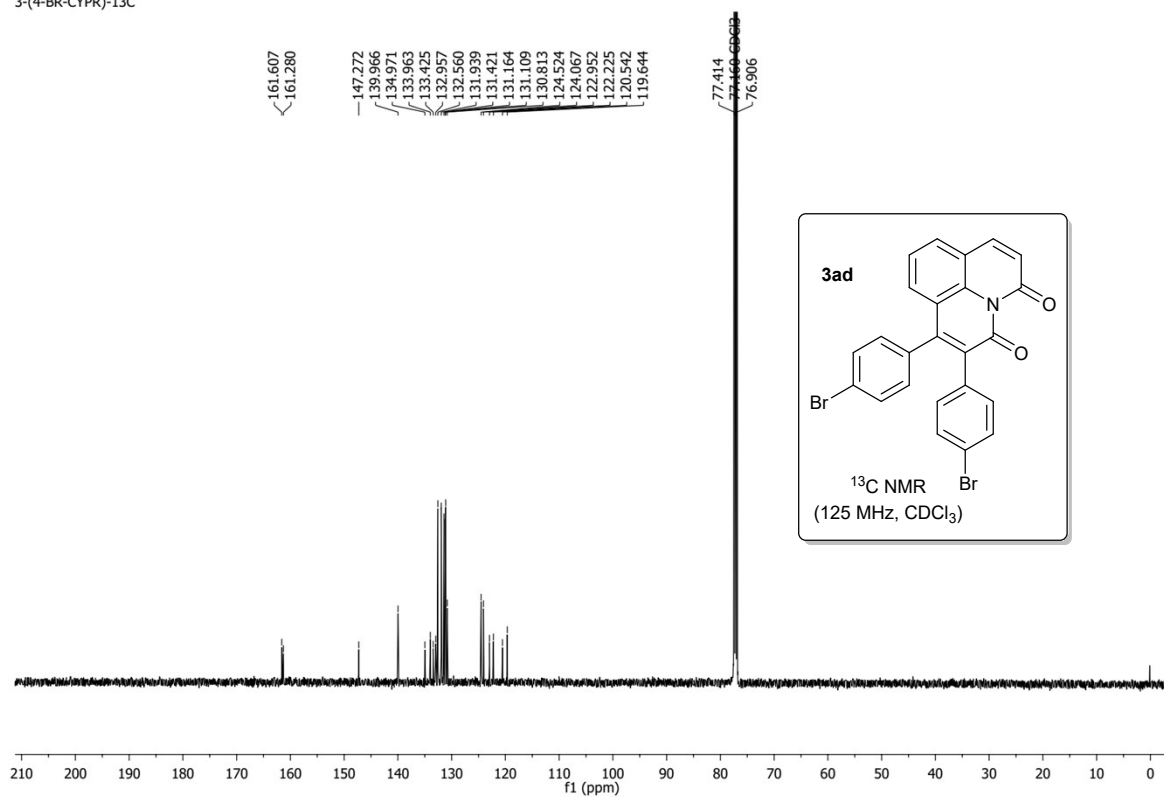
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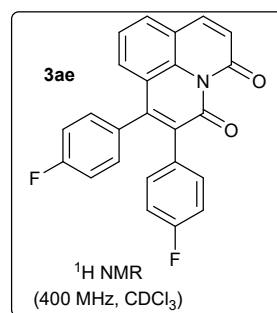
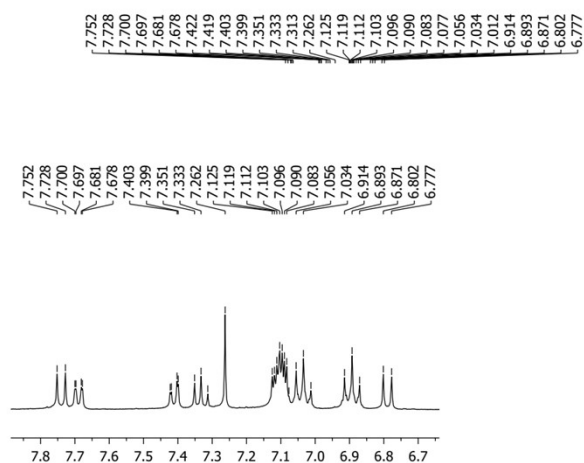
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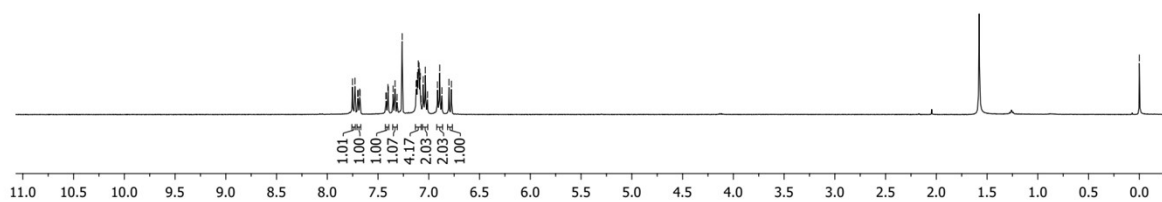
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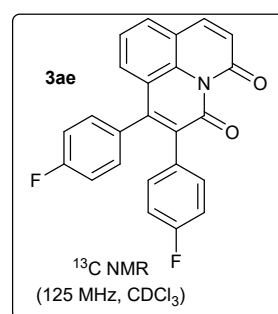
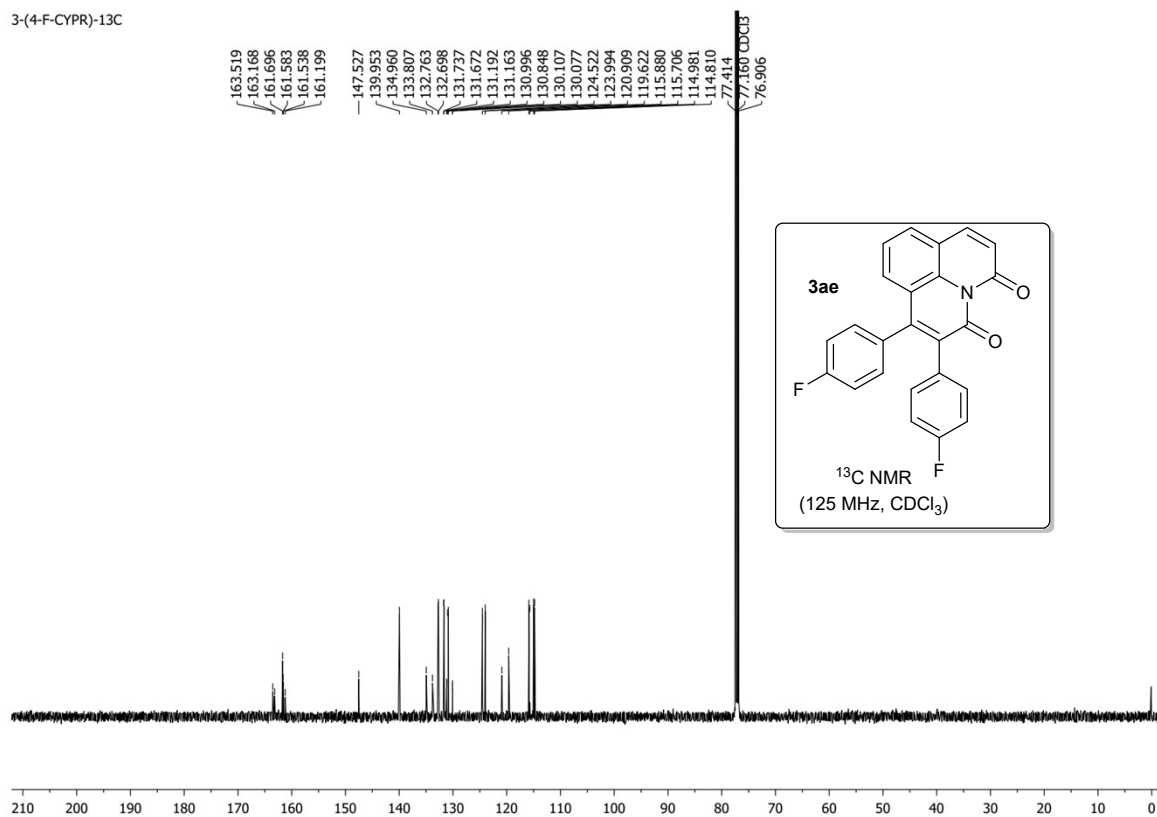
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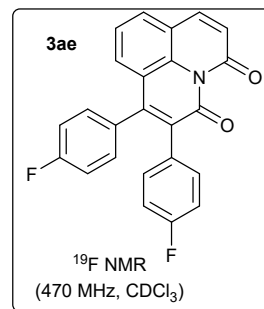
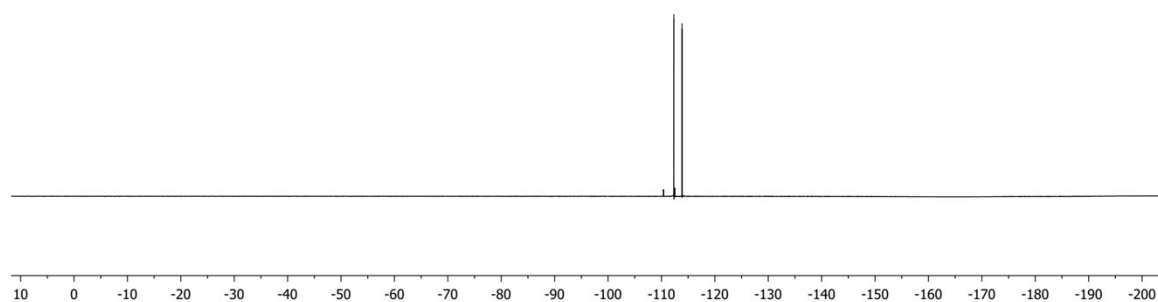


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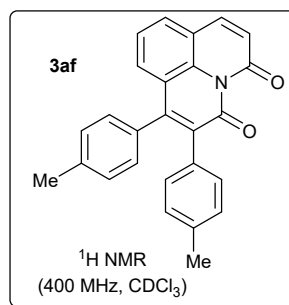
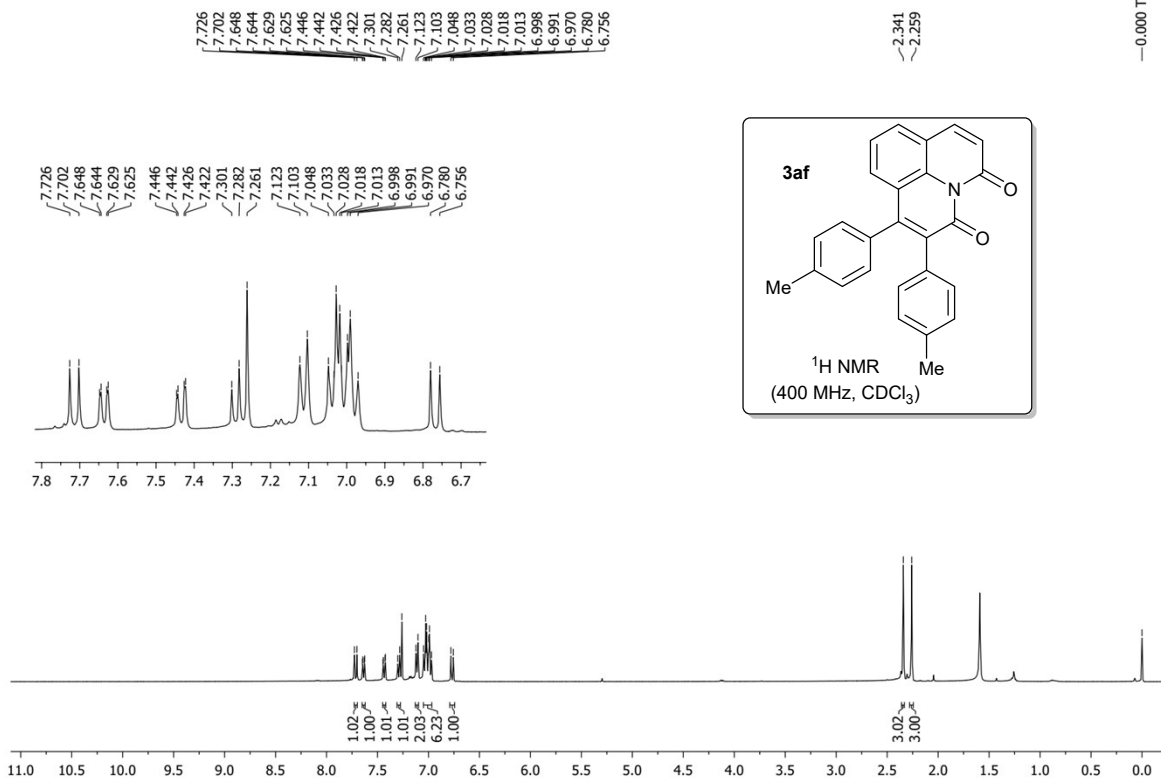
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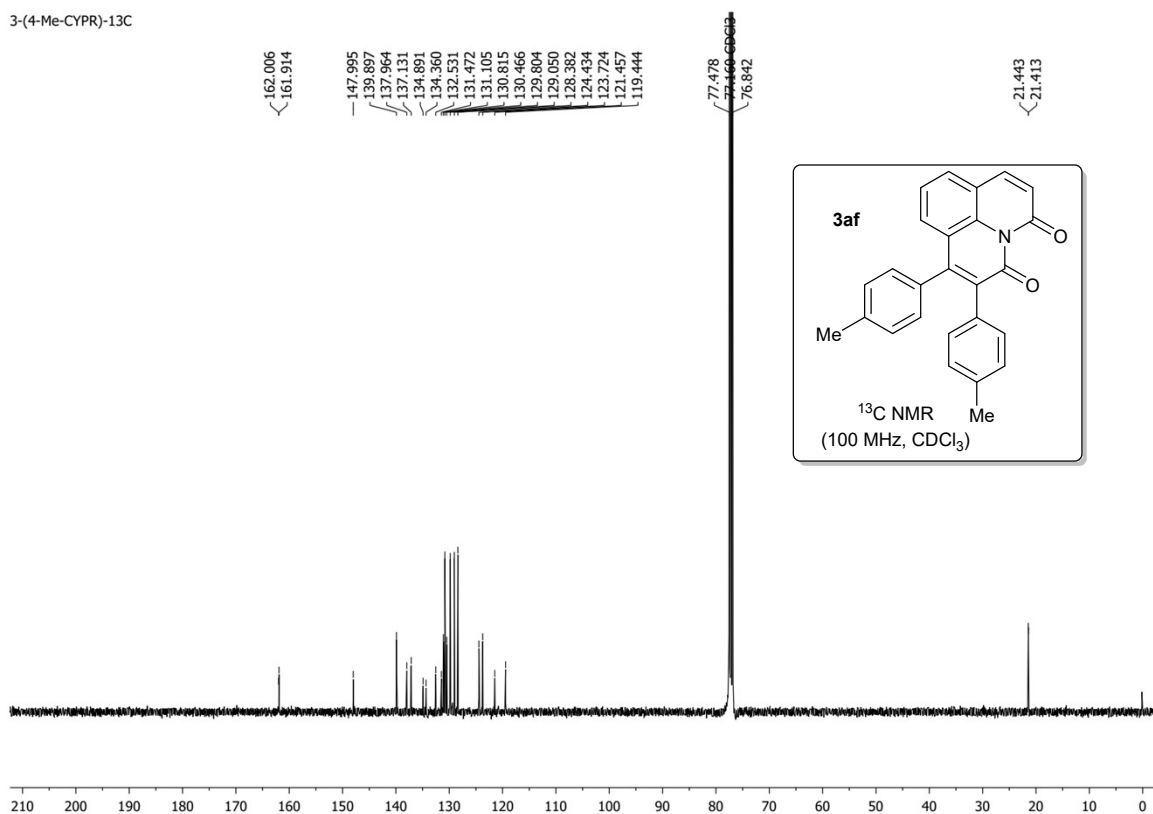


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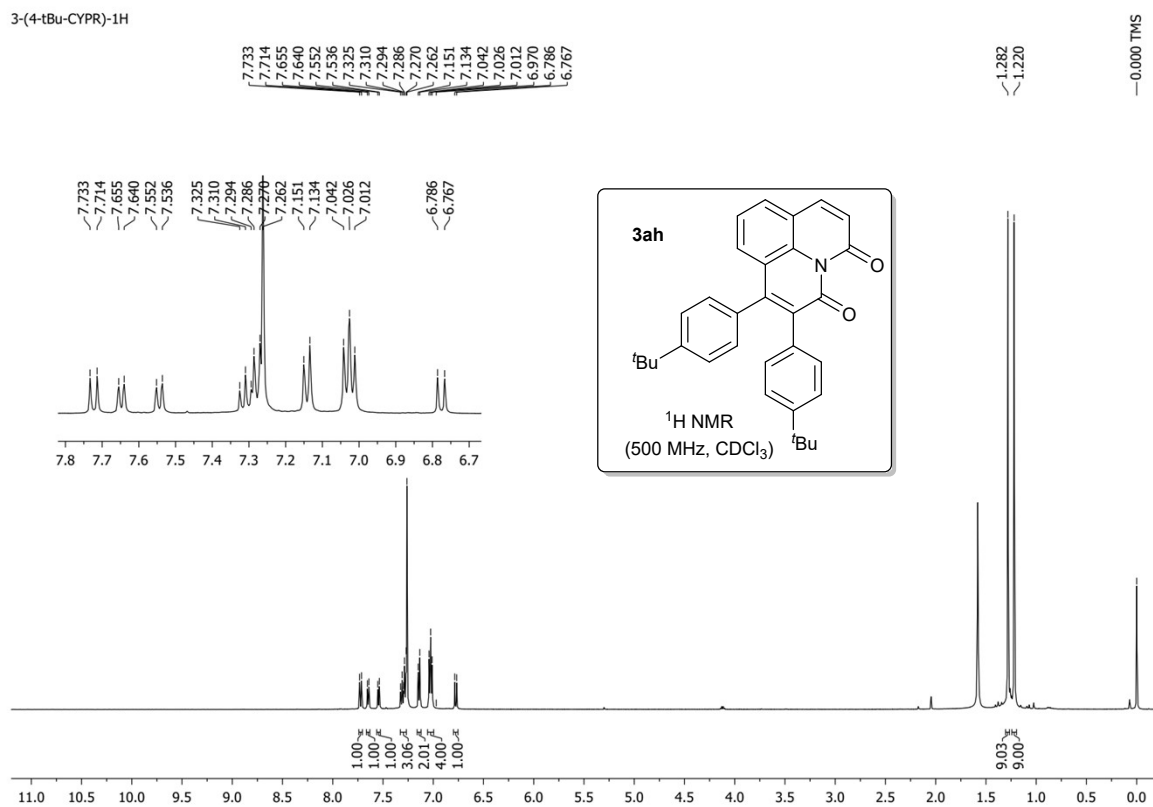
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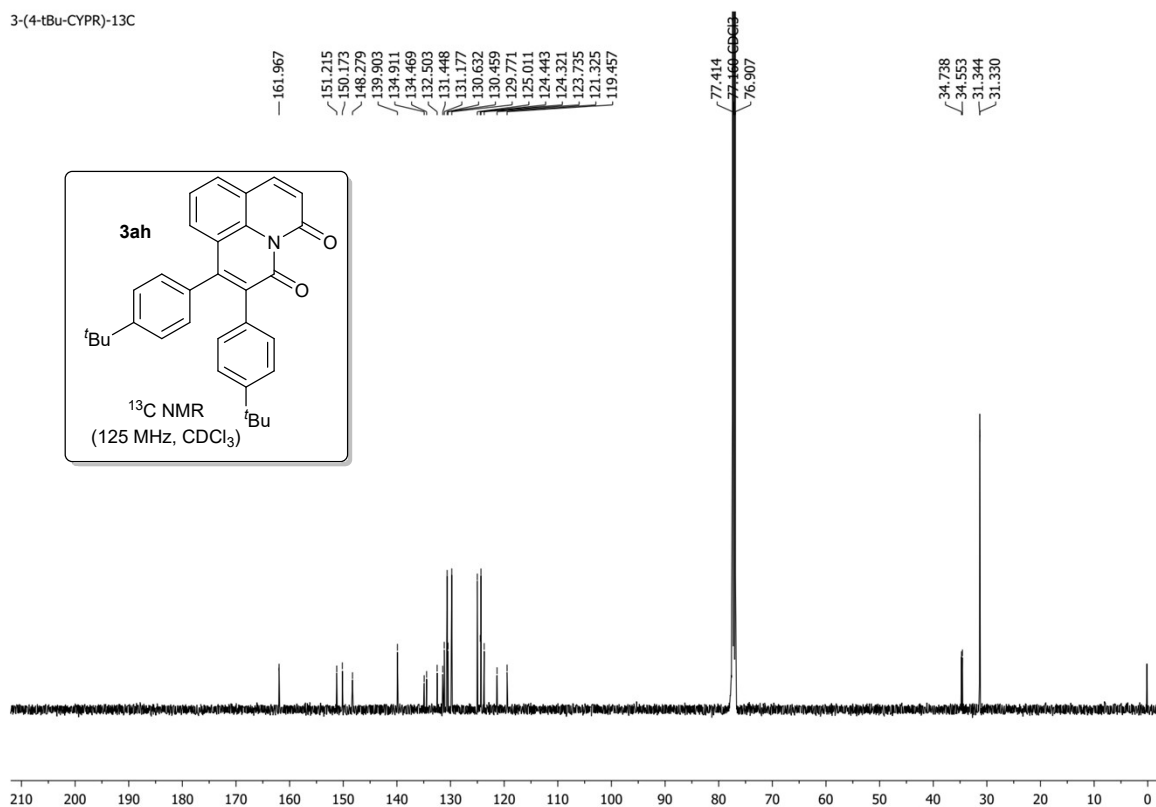
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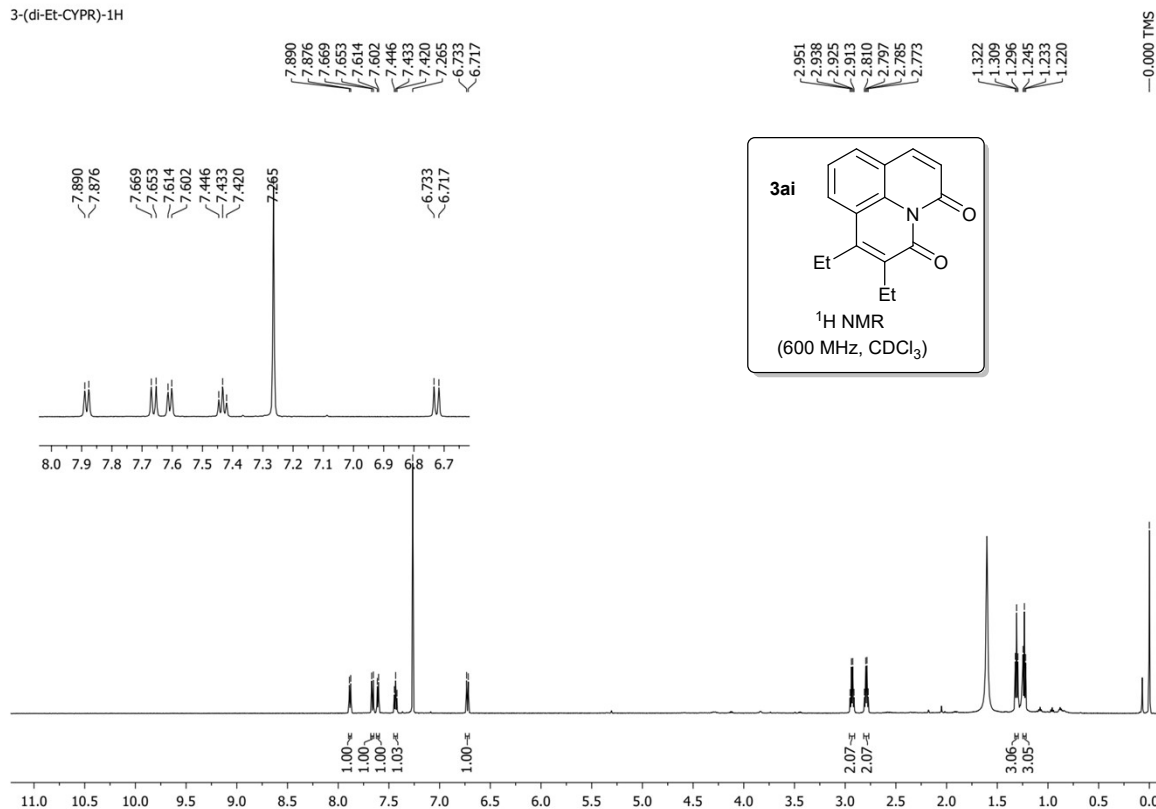
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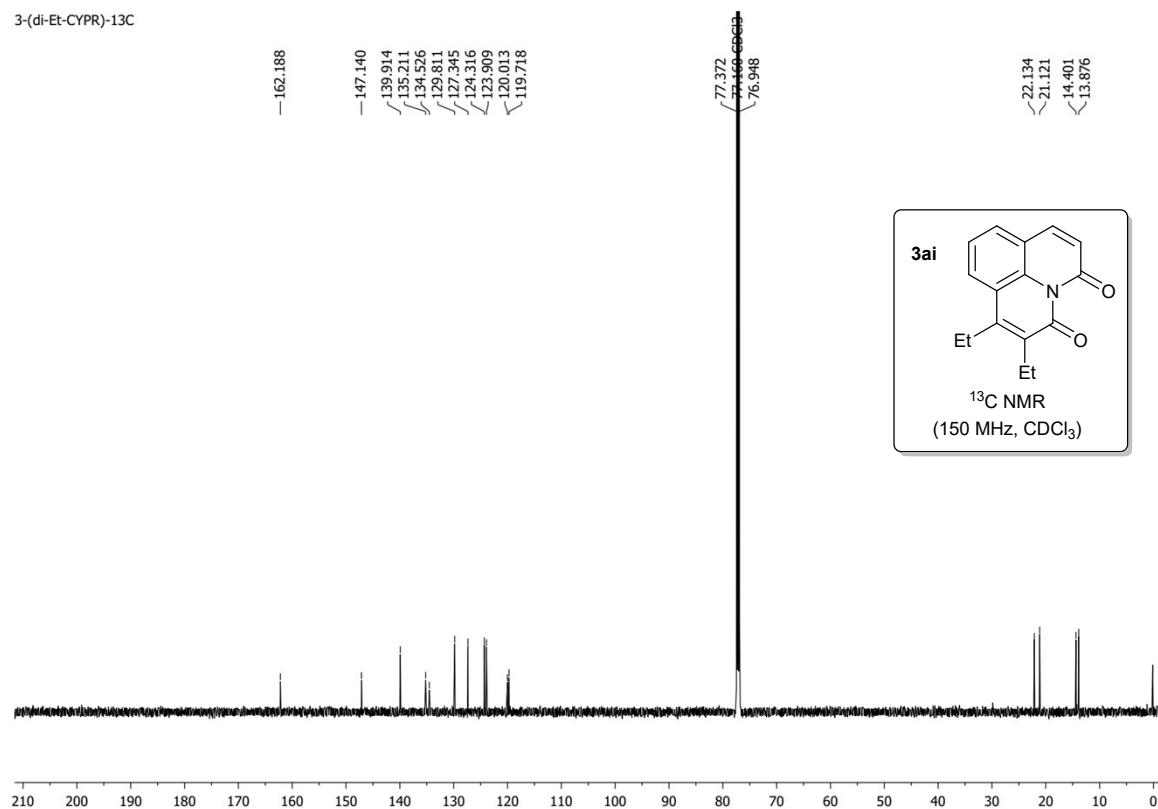
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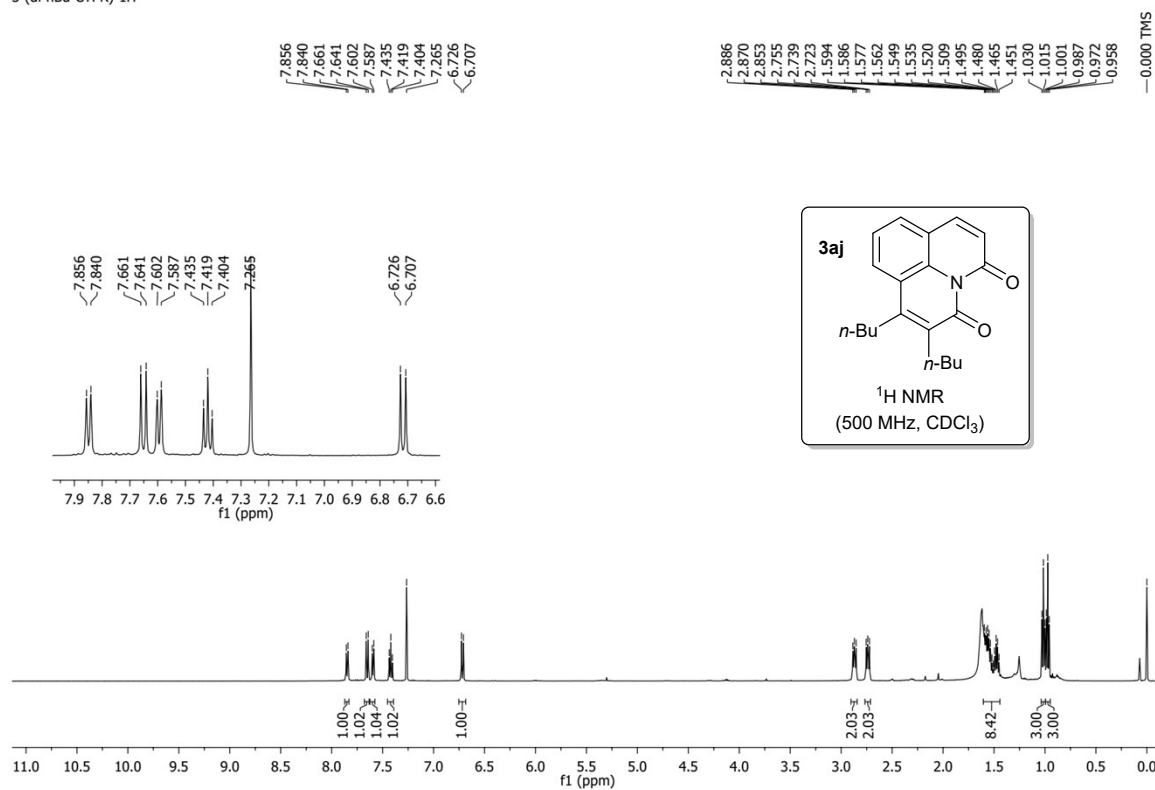
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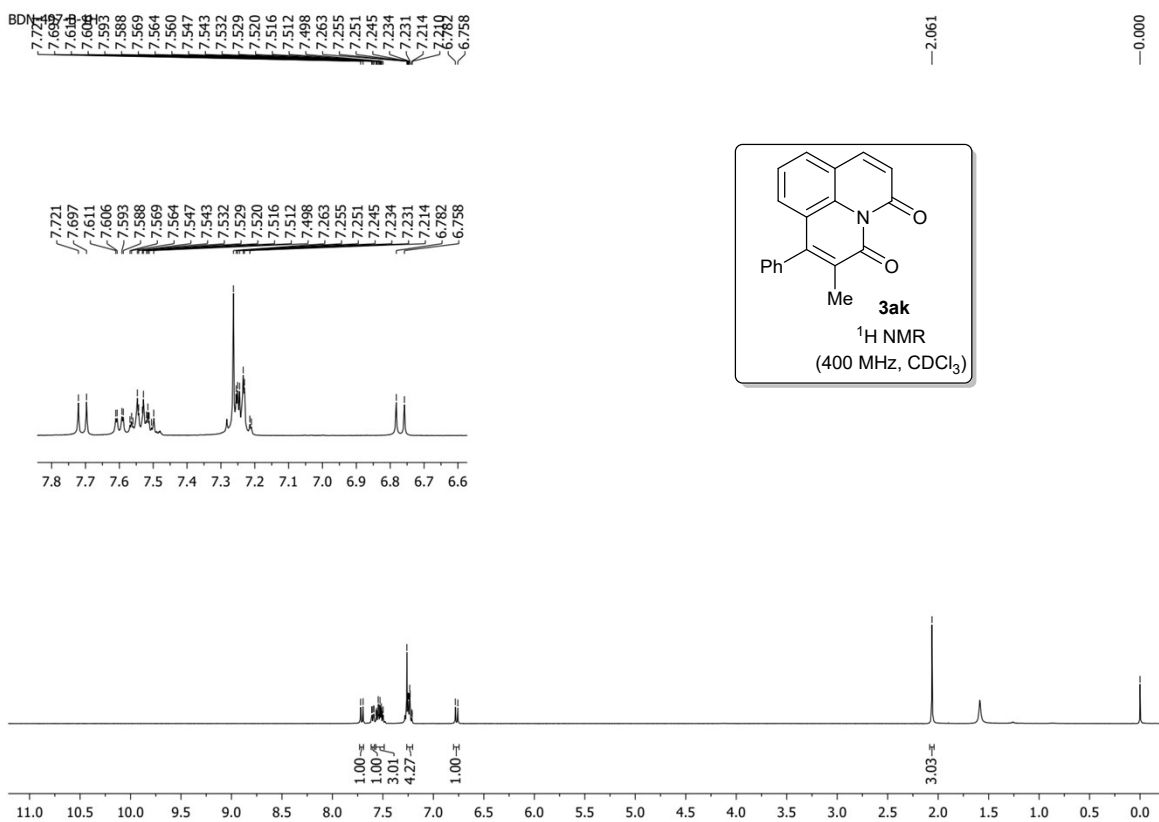
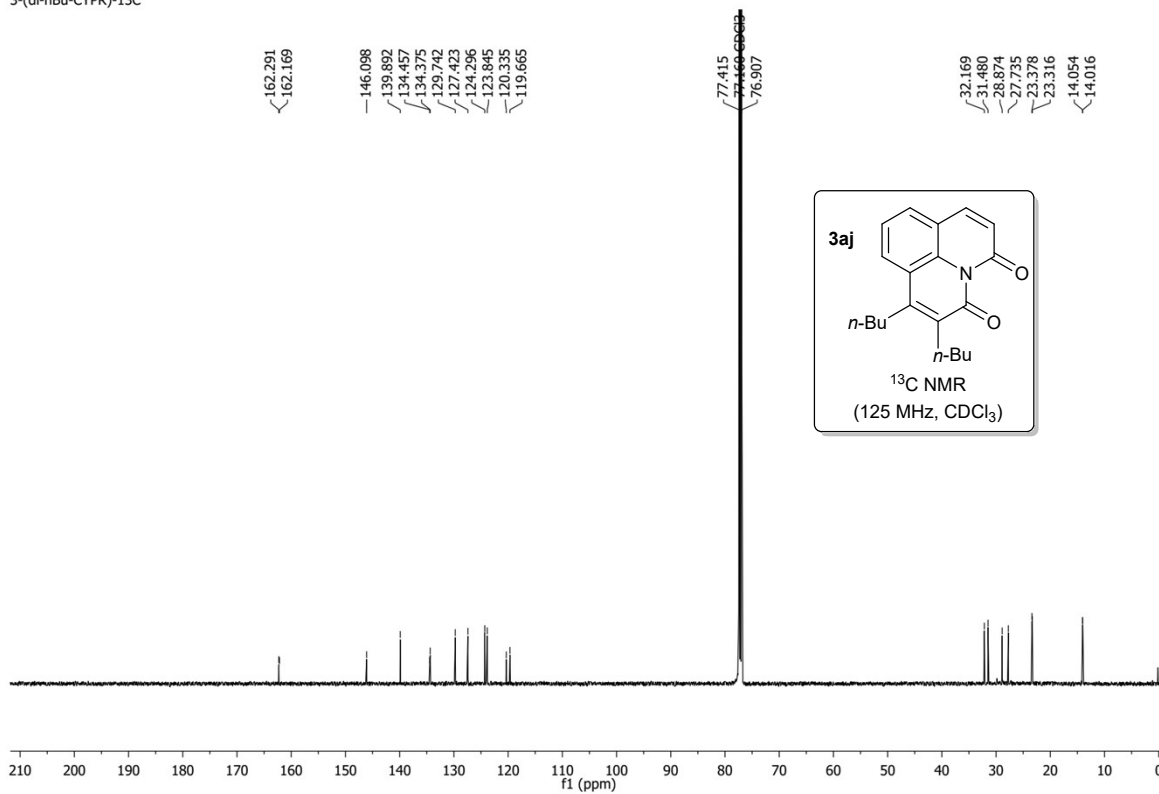
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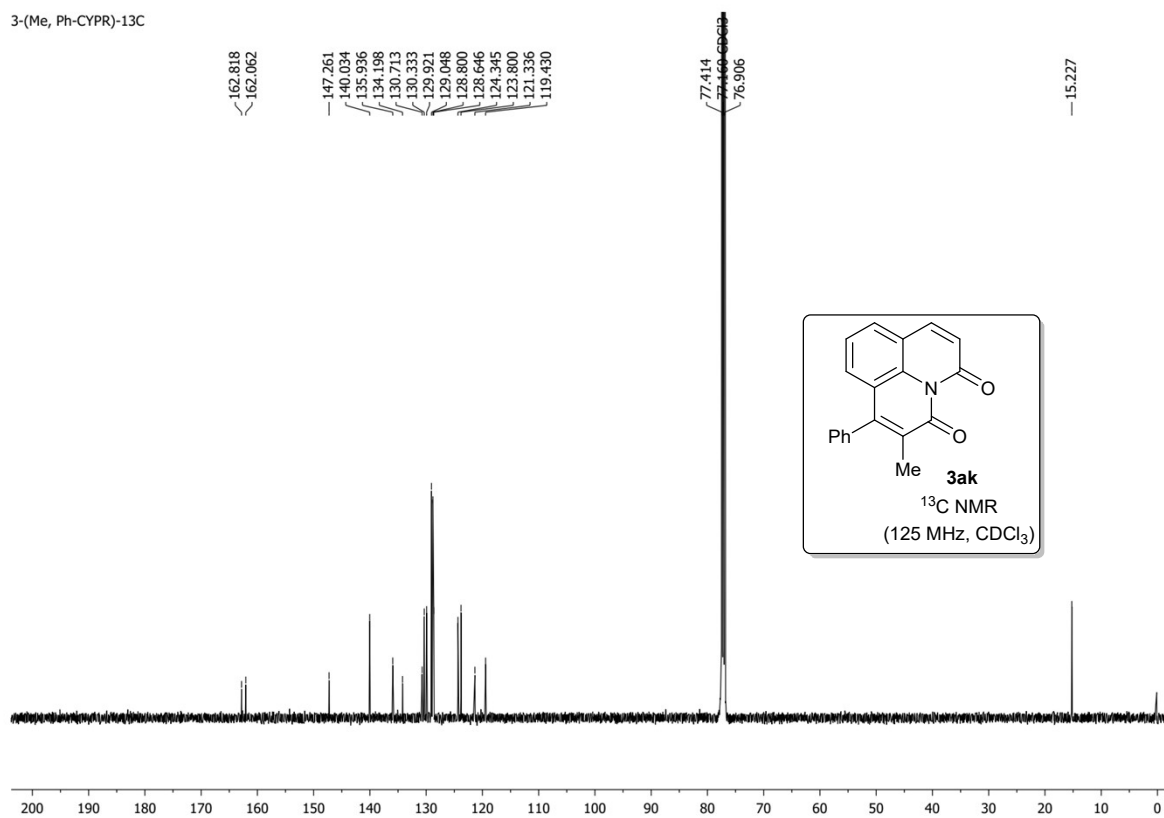
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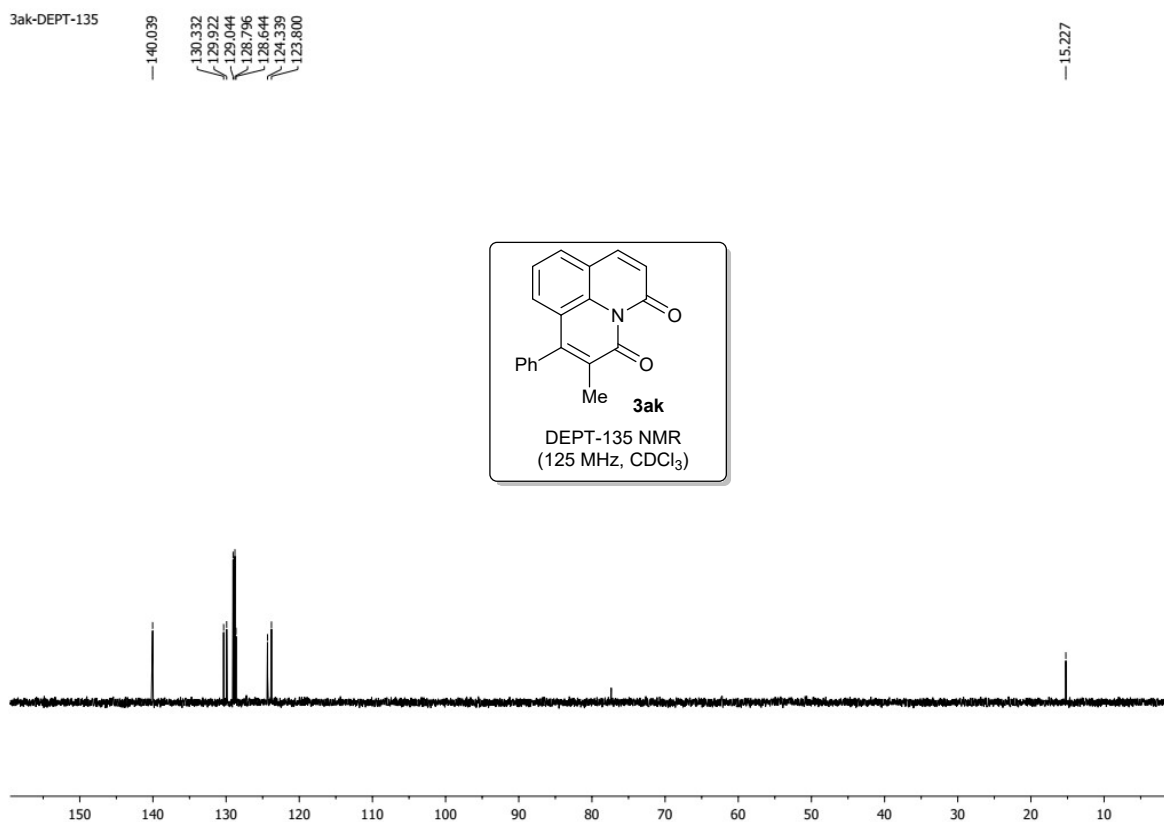
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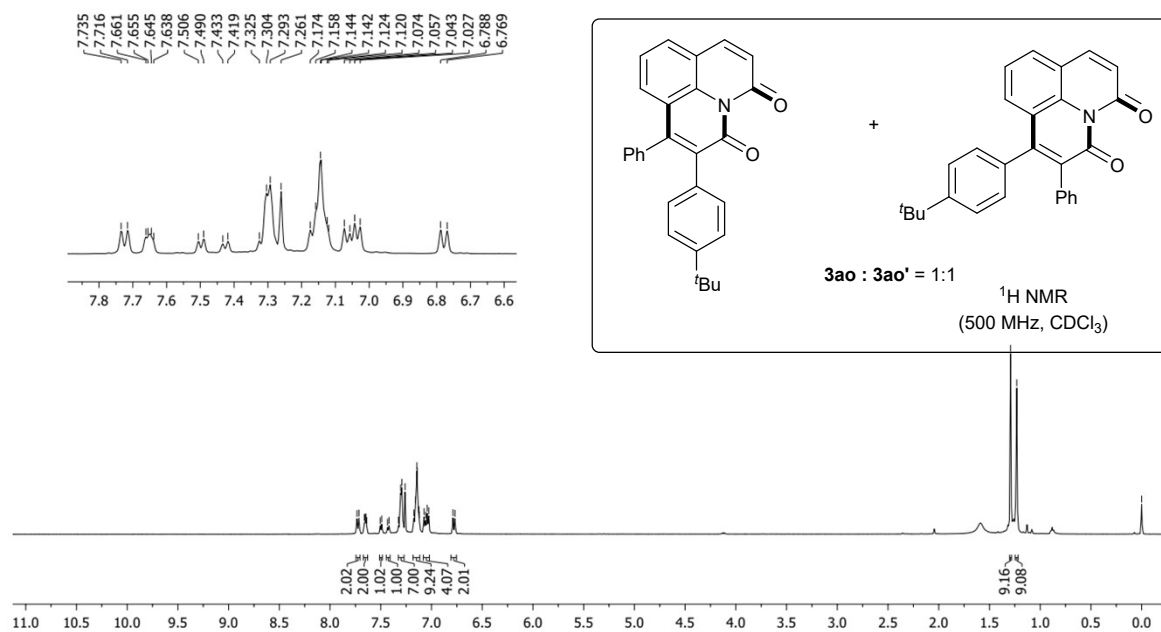
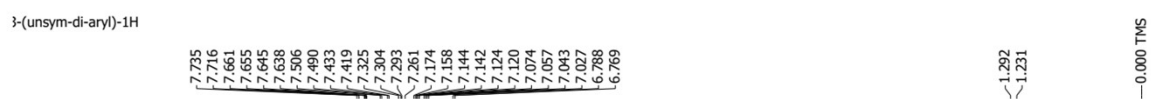
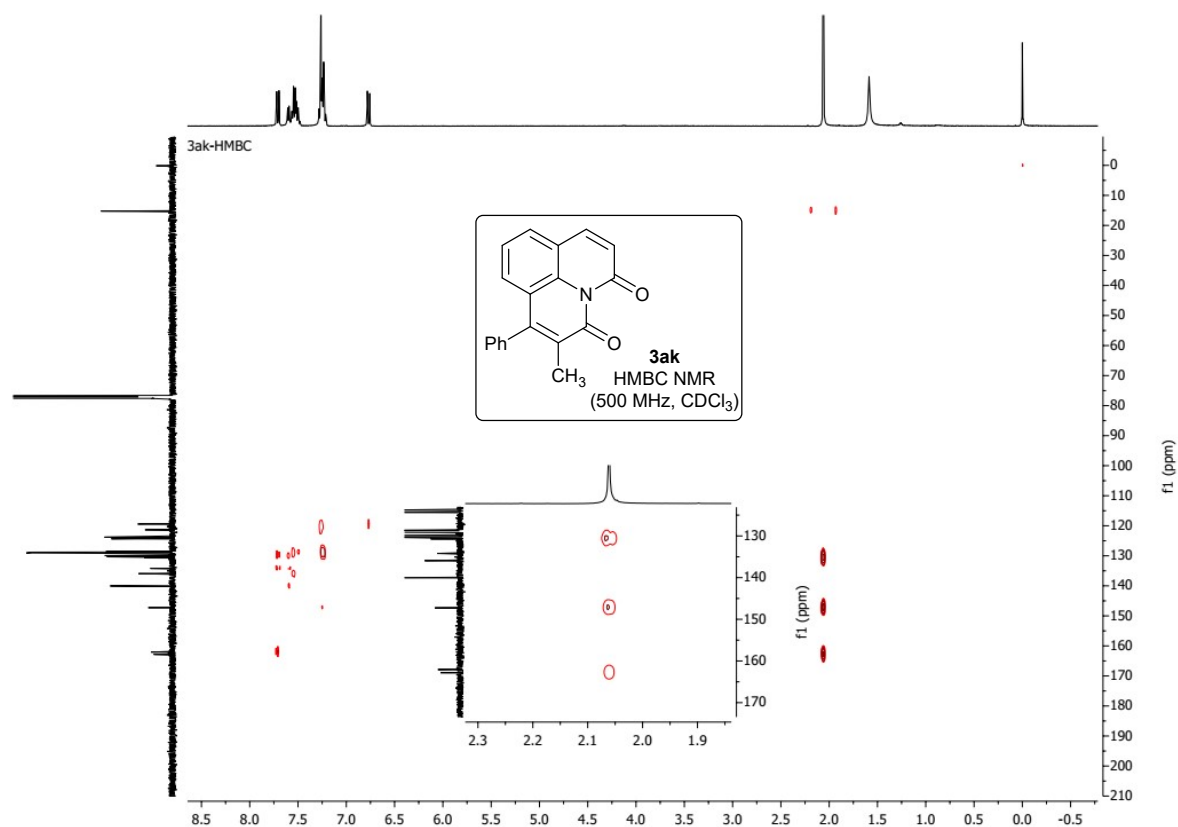


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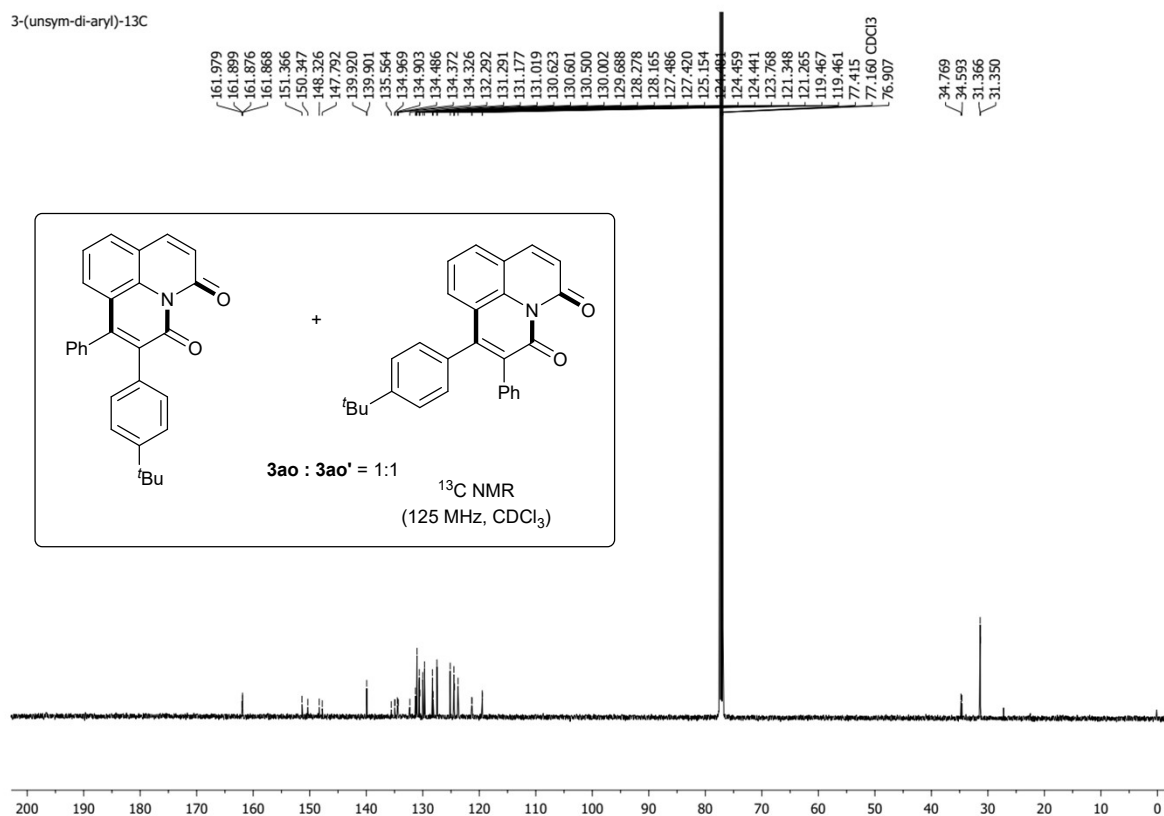


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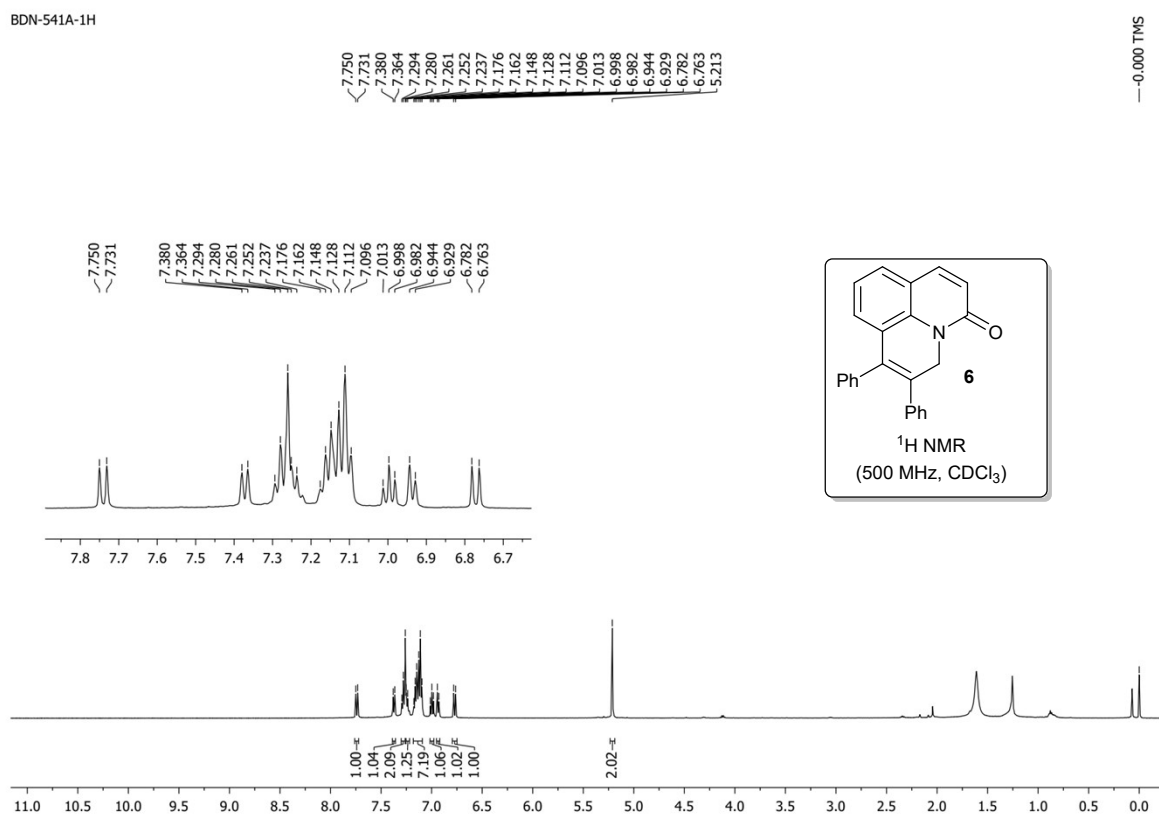




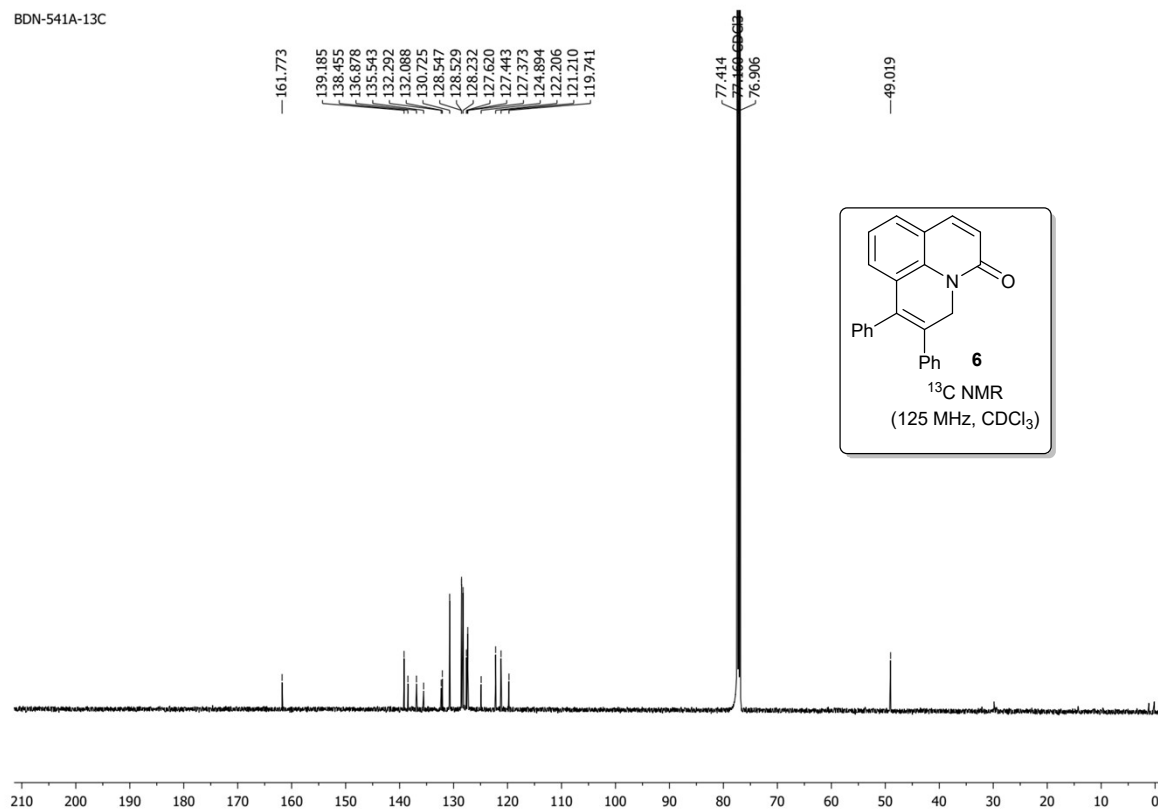
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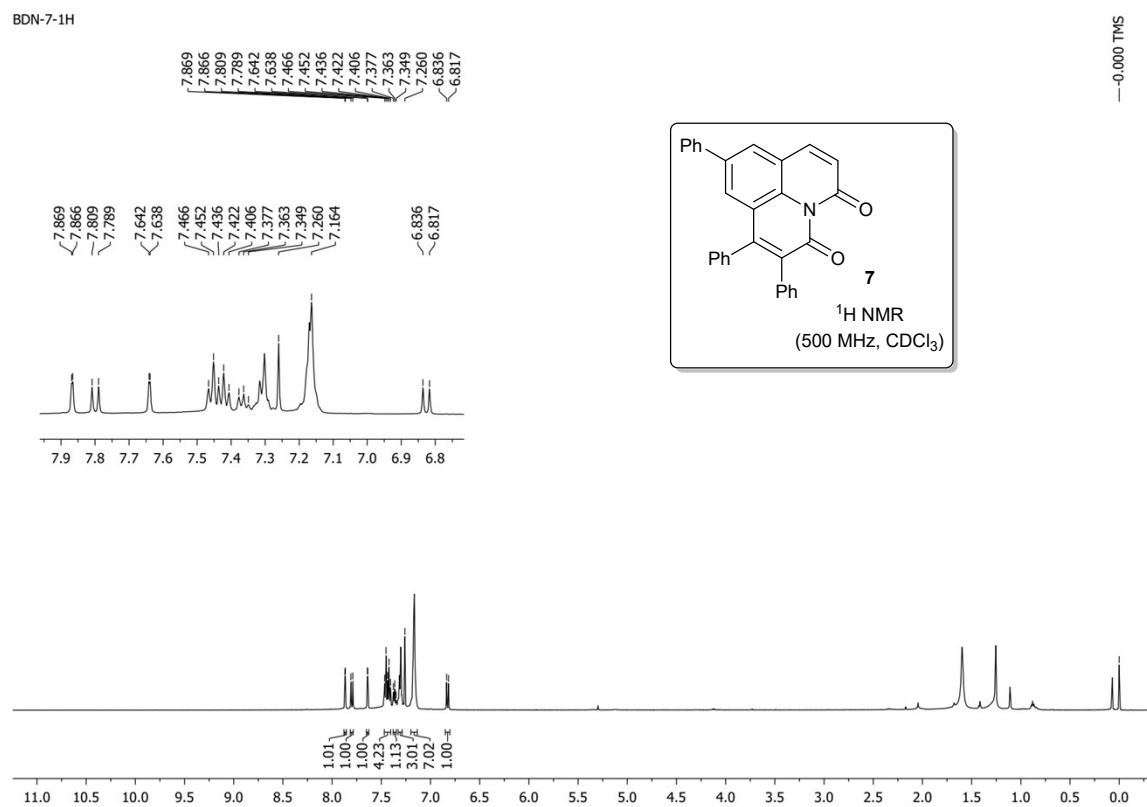
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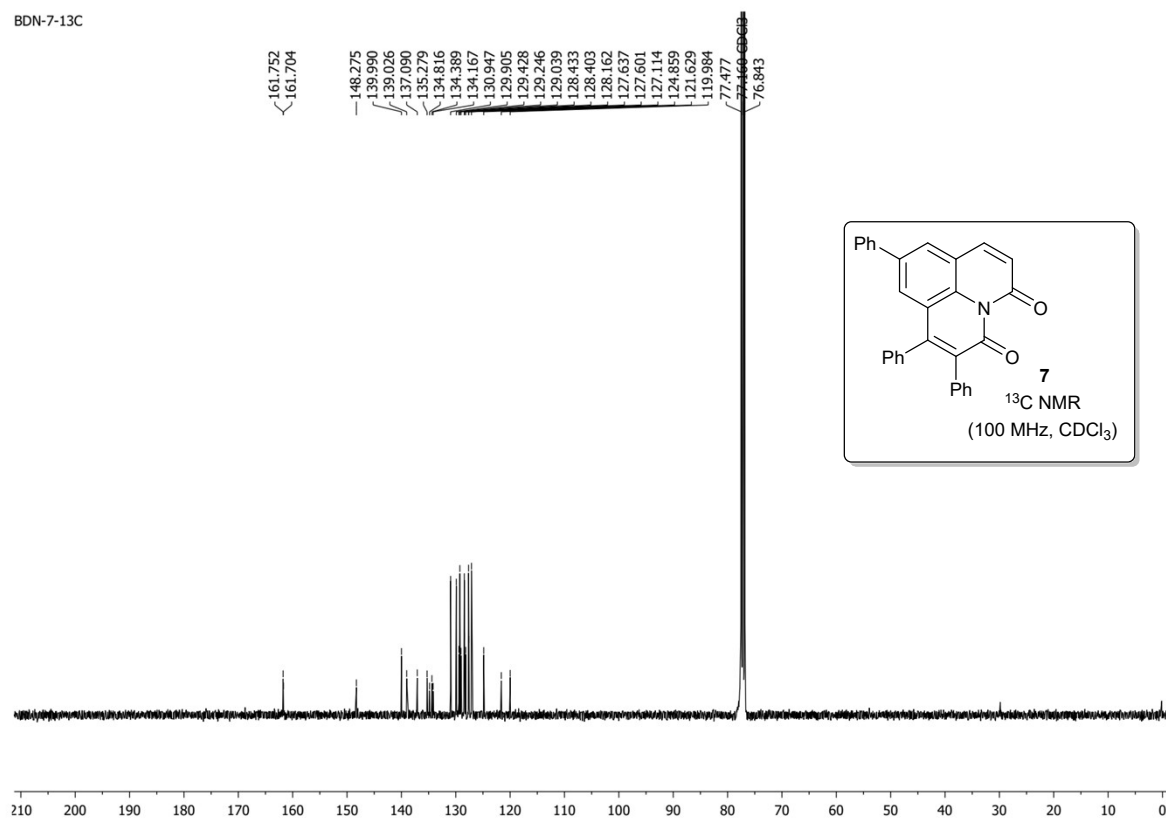
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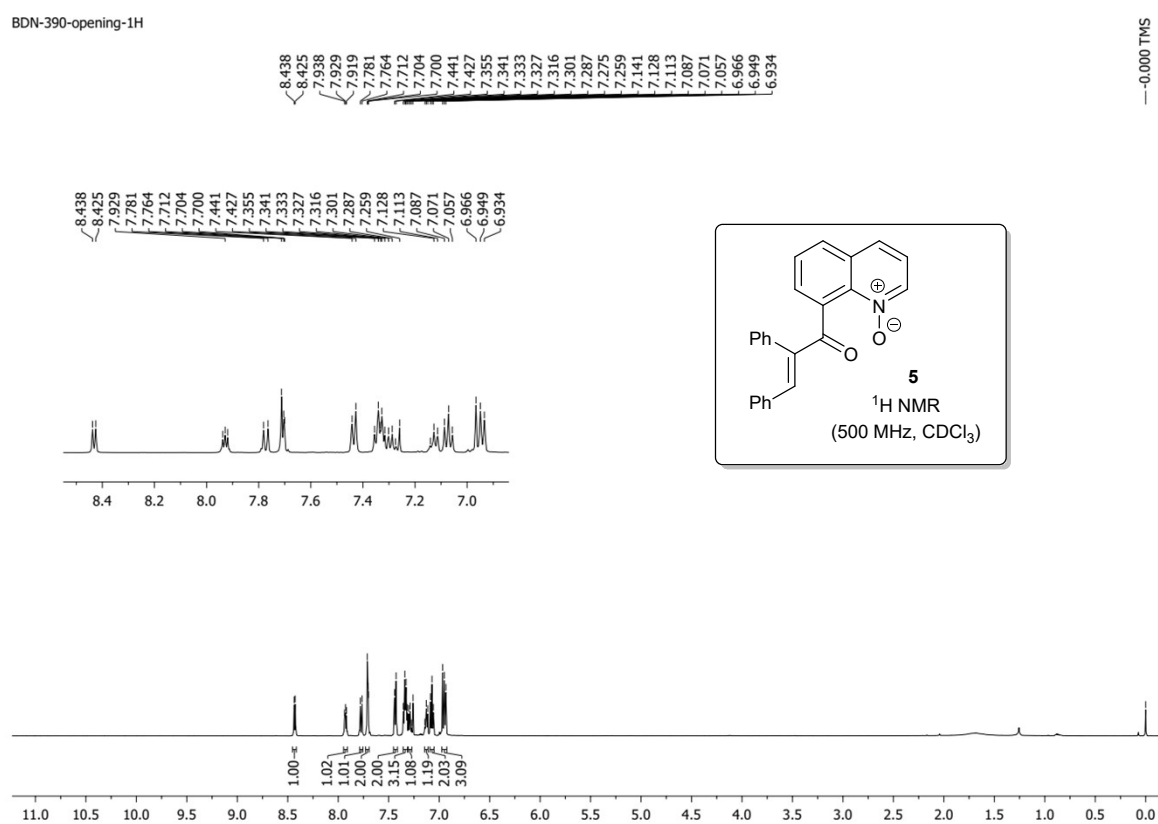
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