Electronic Supplementary Information

Brønsted Acid-catalyzed Efficient Strecker Reaction of Ketones, Amines and Trimethylsilyl Cyanide

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General details

Unless otherwise noted, all commercially available compounds and solvents were used as provided without further purification. ¹H, ¹³C were recorded on Varian Mercury Plus 500 instruments at 500 MHz (¹H NMR), 125 MHz (¹³C NMR). Chemical shifts were reported in ppm from the solvent resonance as the internal standard (CDCl₃: 7.26 ppm). MS were recorded on a VG-7070E or HP 5988A spectrometer using the ESI method. HPLC analyses were carried out on a Hewlett Packard Model HP 1200 instrument. All of the reactions were carried out under an argon atmosphere with the exclusion of moisture.

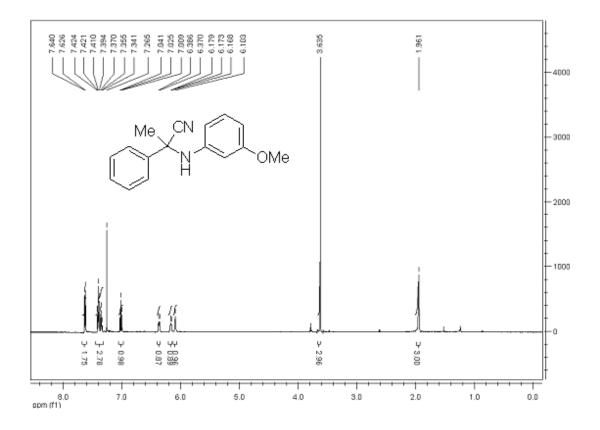
 $2\mathbf{a}$, 1 $2\mathbf{b}$, 2 $2\mathbf{d}$, 1 $2\mathbf{e}$, 2 $2\mathbf{t}$, 2 $2\mathbf{u}$, 2 $2\mathbf{v}$, 3 $2\mathbf{w}$, 2 $2\mathbf{x}$, 4 $2\mathbf{z}$ were known compounds in the literatures.

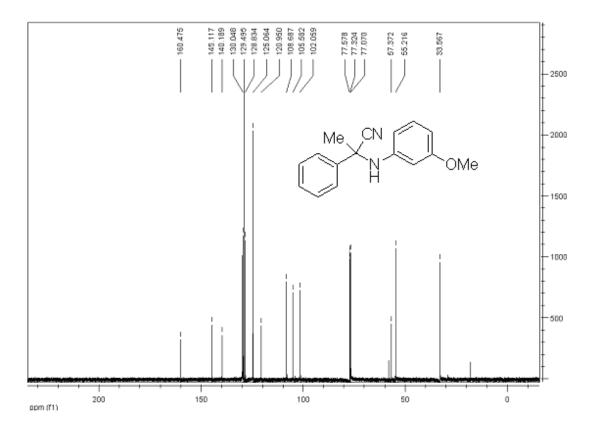
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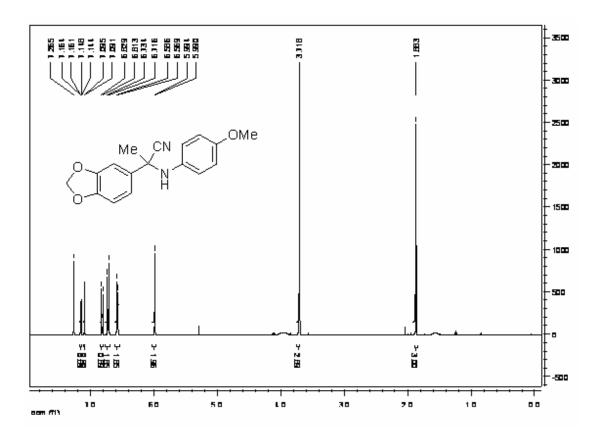
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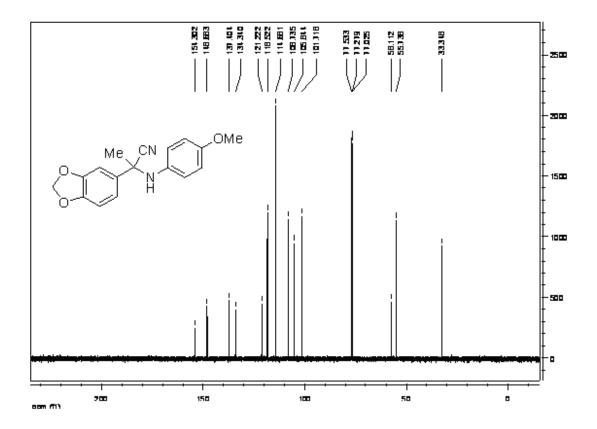
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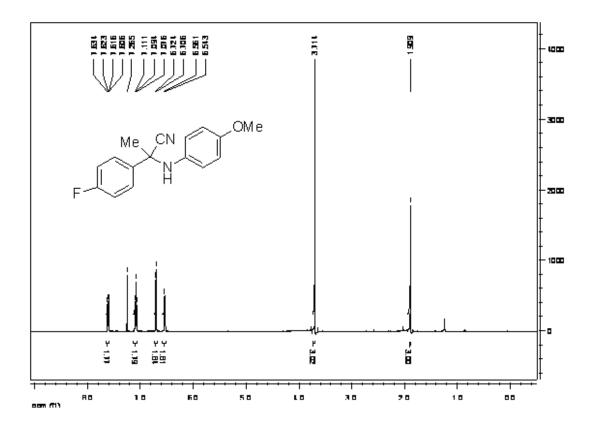
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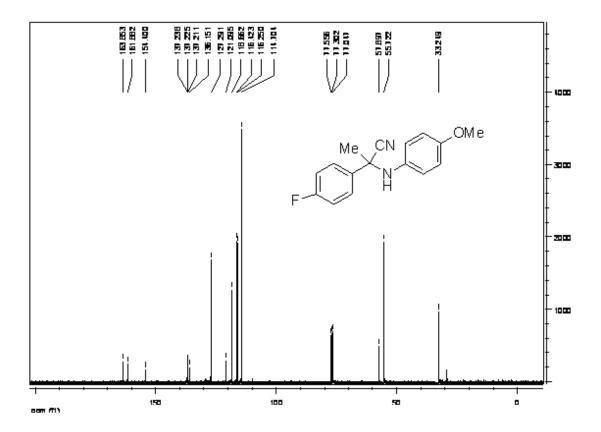


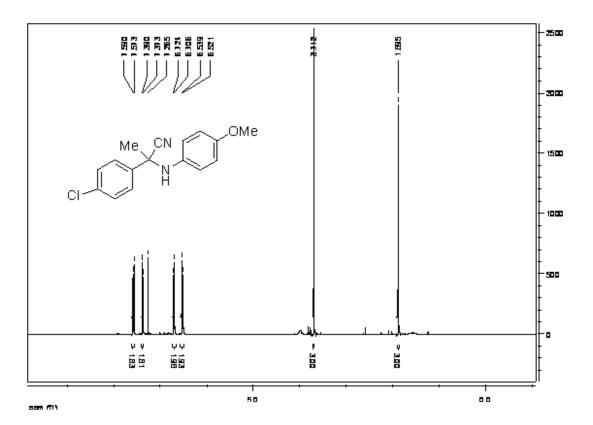


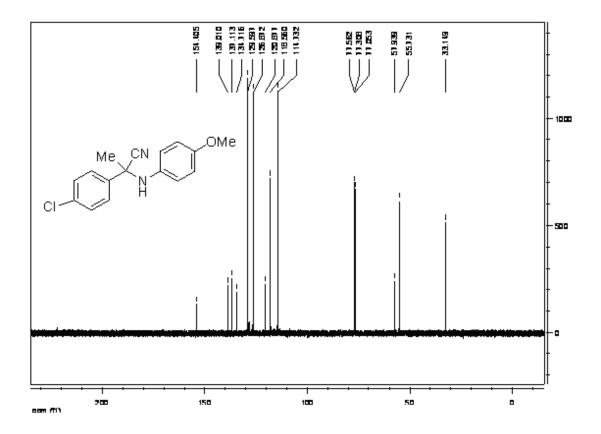


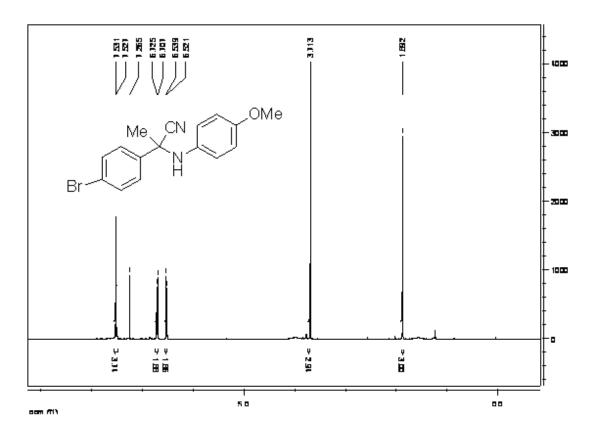


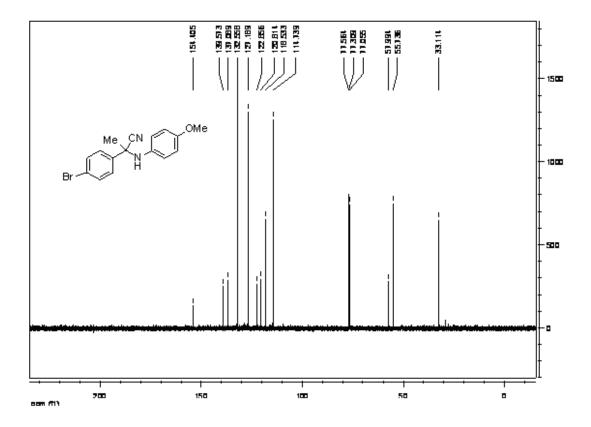


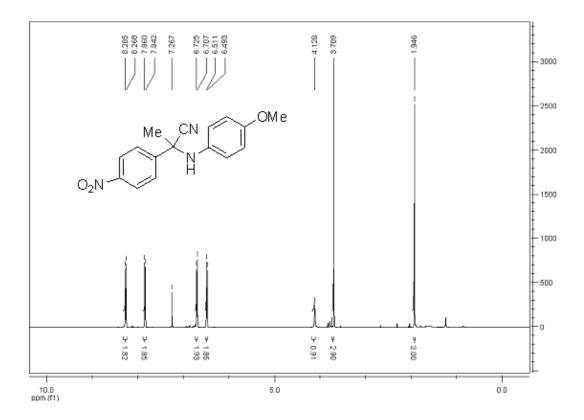


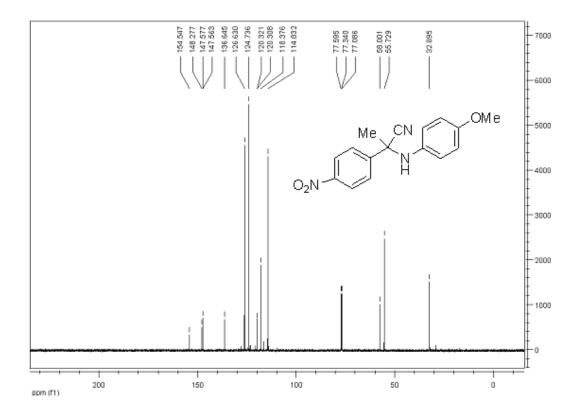


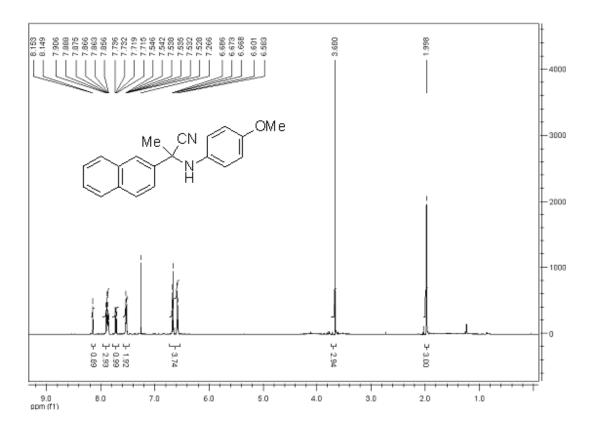


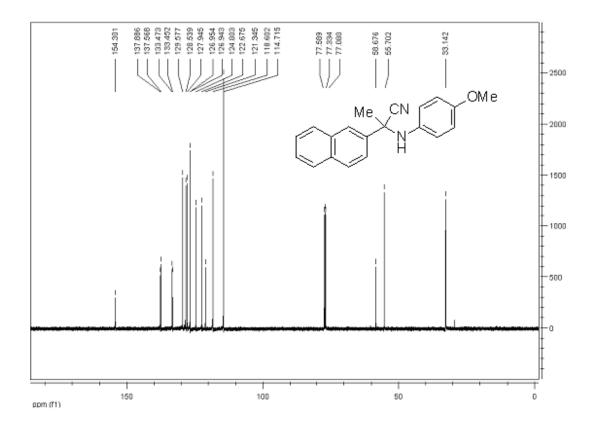


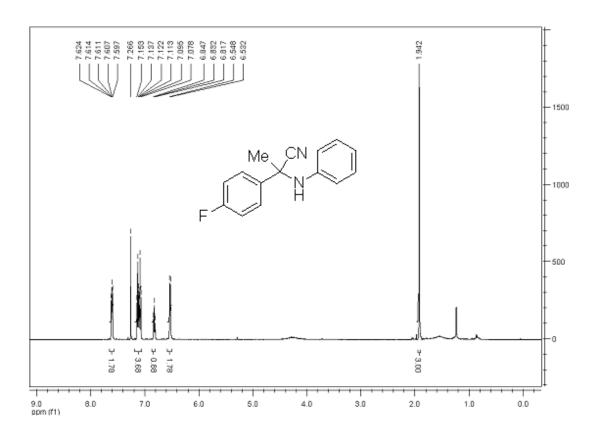


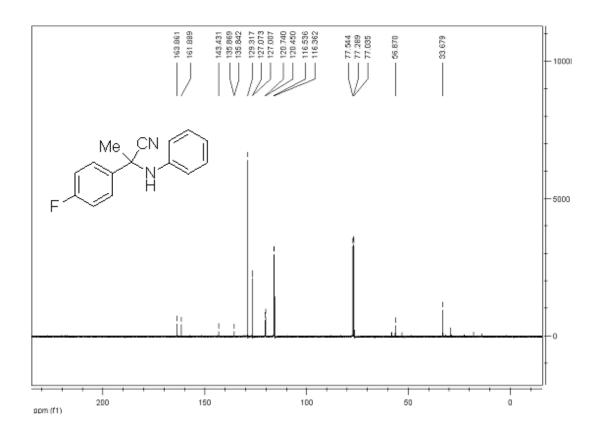


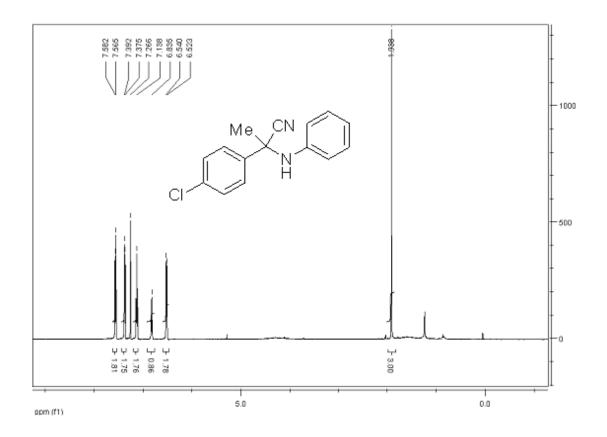


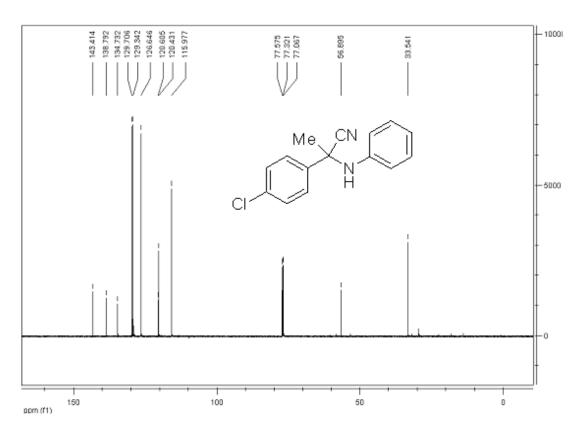


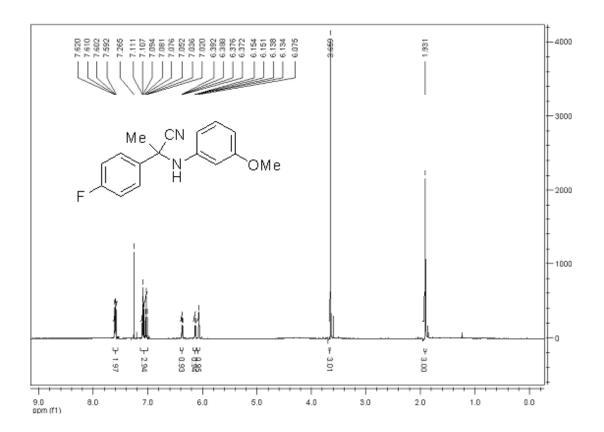


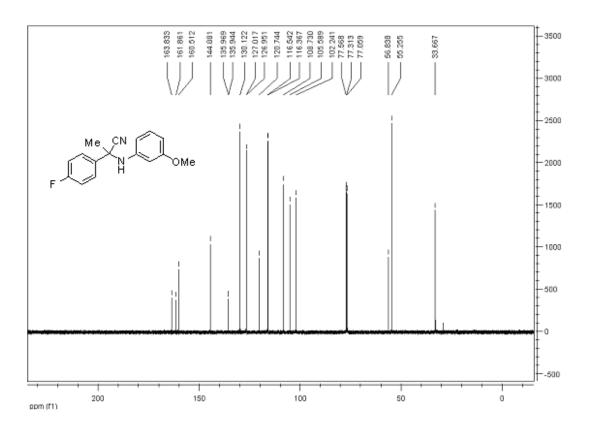


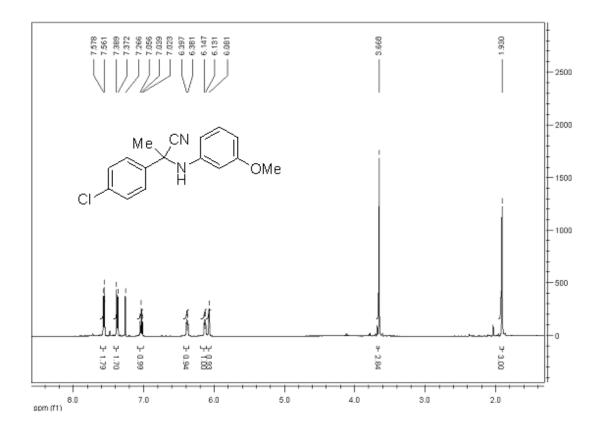


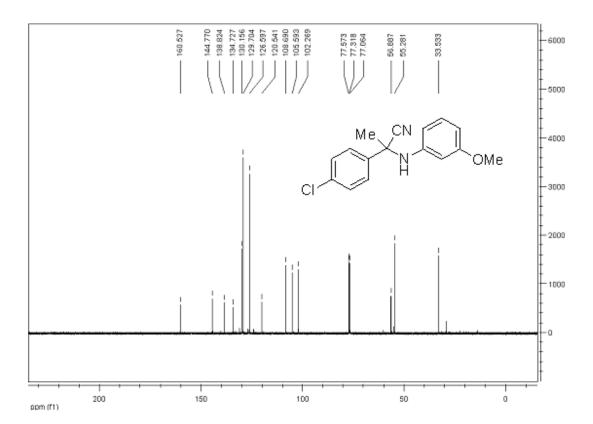


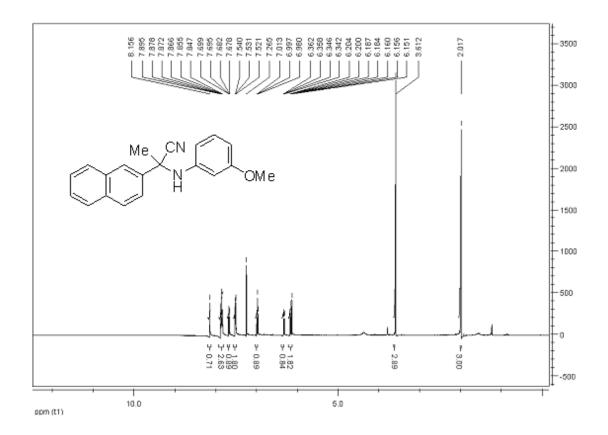


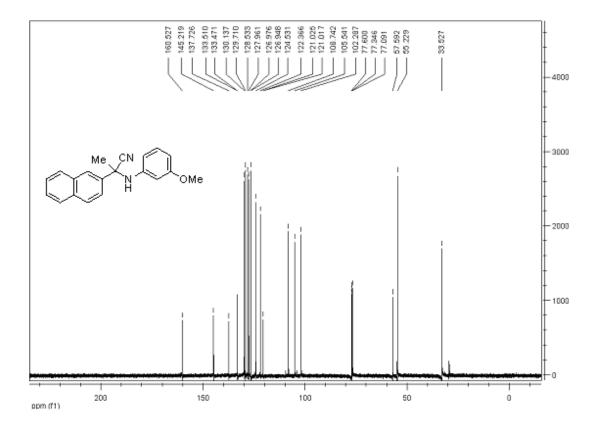


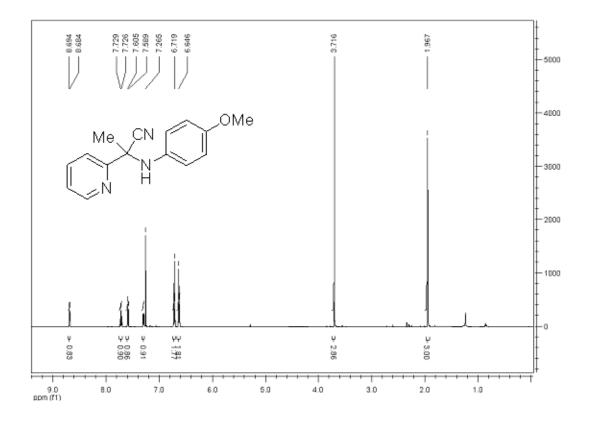


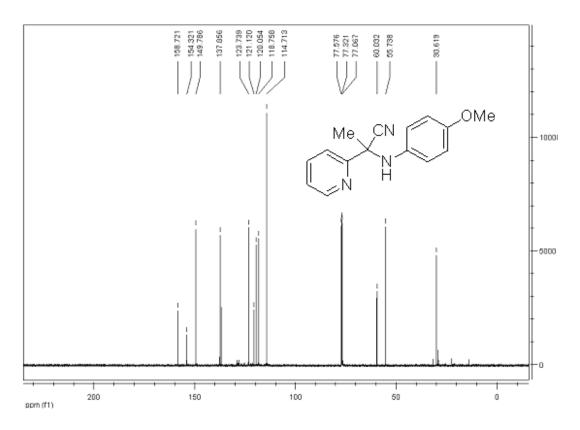


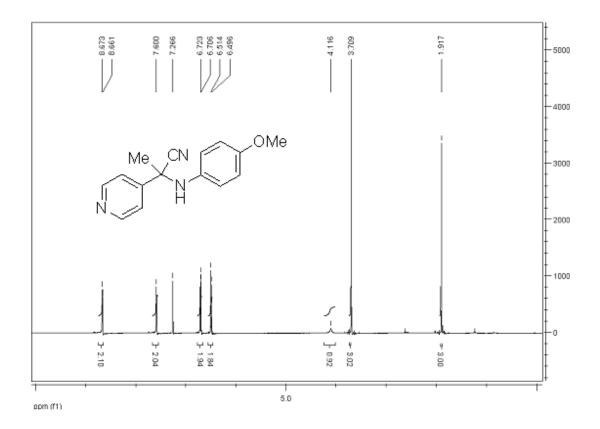


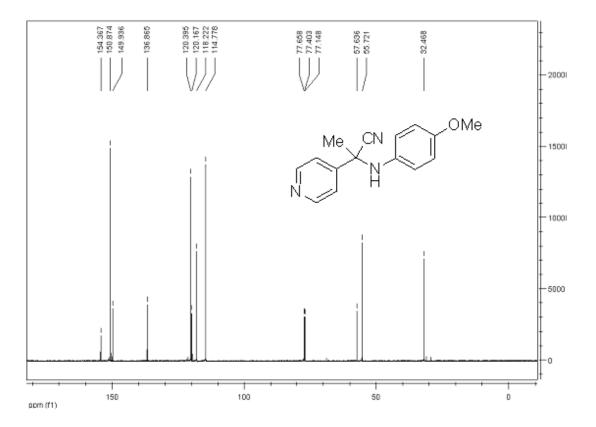


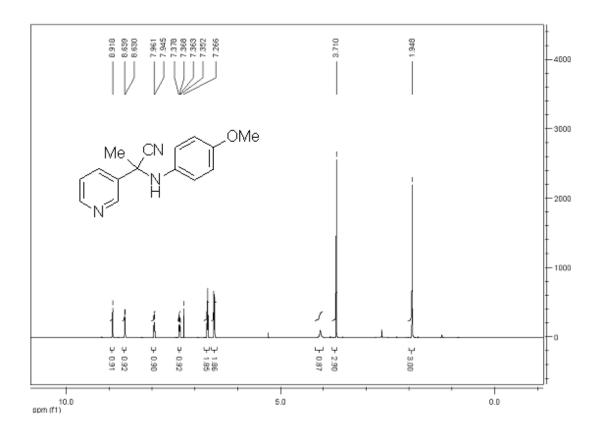


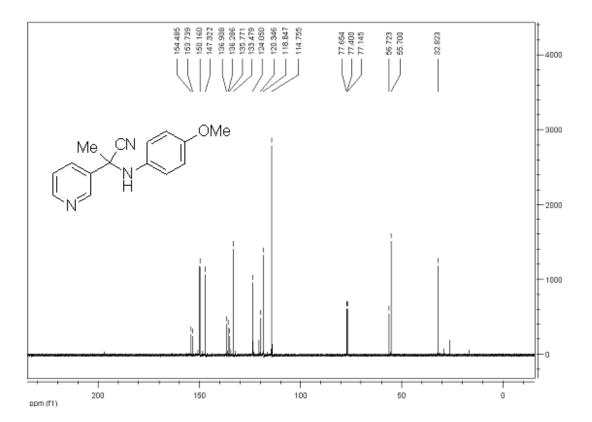


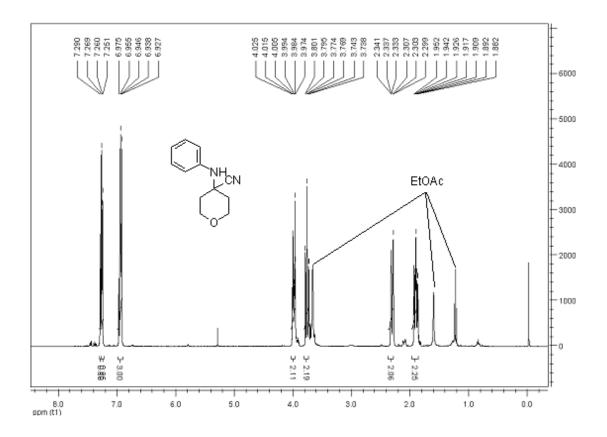


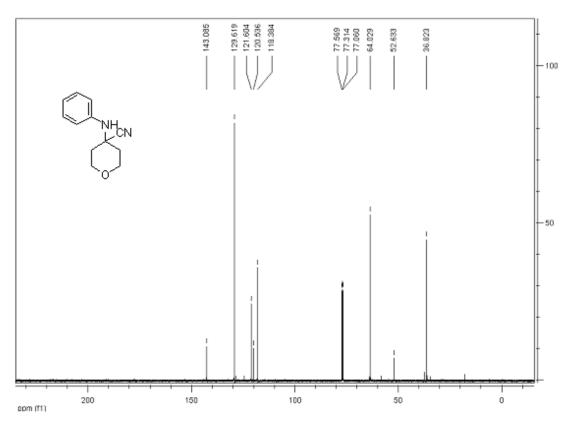












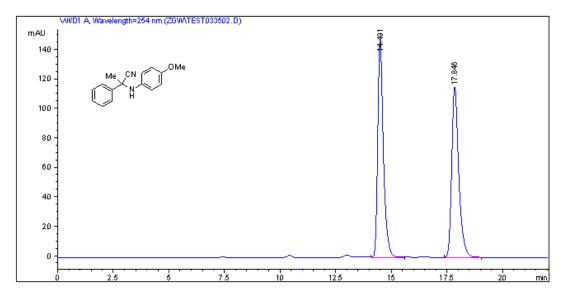
Screening of catalysts and reaction conditions for the three-component reaction

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{OMe} \\ \text{Me} \\ \text{Me} \\ \text{Me} \\ \text{H} \\ \text{TMSCN} \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \text{Catalyst} \\ \text{(10 mol\%)} \\ \text{4Å MS, toluene, 40 °C} \\ \text{Ar} \\ \text{4: Ar = 9-Phenanthrenyl} \\ \text{4: Ar = H} \\ \text{5: Ar = Ph} \\ \text{6: Ar = 4-NO}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_4 \\ \text{7: Ar = 4-PhC}_6\text{H}_4 \\ \text{8: Ar = 1-Np} \\ \text{9: Ar = 9-Anthy} \\ \text{10: Ar = SiPh}_3 \\ \text{11: Ar = 2, 4, 6-($^{\prime}\text{Pr}$)}_3\text{C}_6\text{H}_2 \\ \text{12: Ar = 3, 5-(CF}_3)_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_3 \\ \end{array}$$

entry	Catalyst (10 mol%)	Yield (%) b	Ee (%) ^c
1	3	73	40
2	4	74	<3
3	5	77	8
4	6	71	<3
5	7	47	9
6	8	54	31
7	9	72	34
8	10	66	23
9	11	77	18
10	12	48	11

HPLC Charts for the compounds of 2a, 2b and 2g.

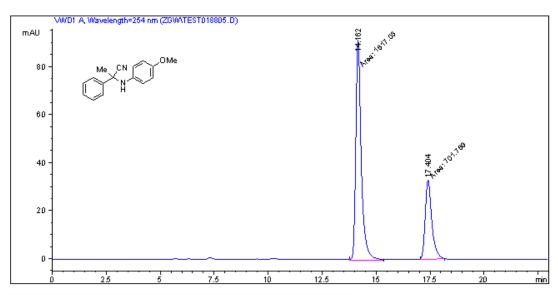
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Signal 1: VWD1 A, Wavelength=254 nm

Peak	RetTime	Type	Width	Area		Hei	ght	Area
#	[min]		[min]	mAU	*s	[mAU]	*
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1	14.491	BB	0.2644	2606.	17896	147.	49576	50.6747
2	17.846	BB	0.3318	2536.	77563	115.	55373	49.3253
Total	ls:			5142.	95459	263.	04949	

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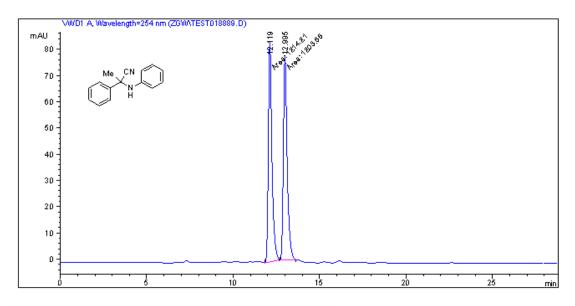


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1	14.162	MM	0.2936	1617.	02759	91.	78716	69.7350
2	17.404	MM	0.3531	701.	78888	33.3	12692	30.2650

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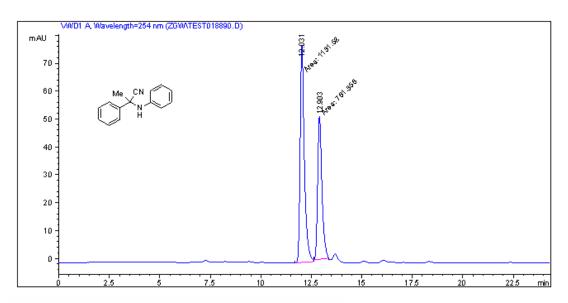


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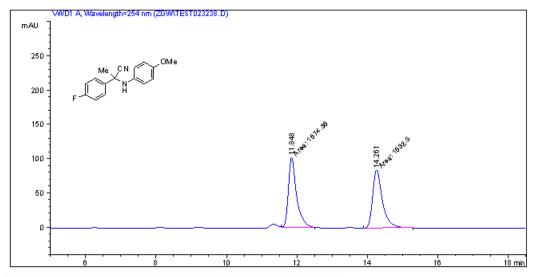


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1	12.031	MM	0.2417	1131.	51538	78.0	3770	59.7777
2	12.903	MM	0.2476	761.	35754	51.2	25764	40.2223
Total	.s :			1892.	87292	129.2	29534	

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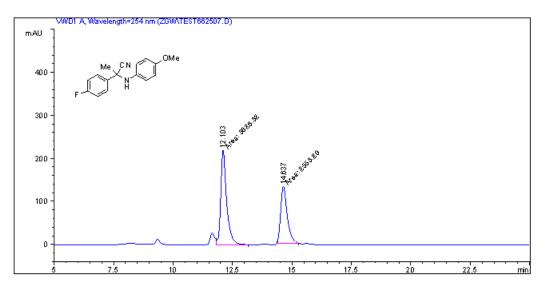
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2	14.261	MM	0.3217	1632.	50000	84.	56818	49.3668

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2	14.637	MM	0.3210	2553.	28662	132.5	8116	40.0101

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