

Supplementary Information

Chiral bifunctional thiourea-tertiary amine catalyzed enantioselective hydroxyamination of oxindoles

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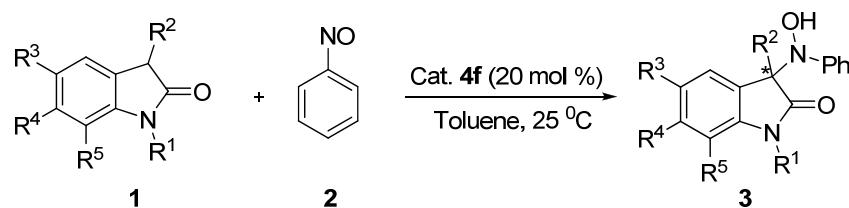
1.General methods

Commercial grade solvent was dried and purified by standard procedures as specified in Purification of Laboratory Chemicals, 4th Ed (Armarego, W. L. F.; Perrin, D. D. Butterworth Heinemann: 1997). ^1H NMR spectra were recorded at 300 MHz. Chemical shifts were reported in ppm from tetramethylsilane with the solvent resonance as the internal standard (CDCl_3 , $\delta = 7.26$ and DMSO-d^6 , $\delta = 2.54$). ^{13}C NMR spectra were recorded at 75 MHz (Bruker Avance). Chemical shifts are reported in ppm from the tetramethylsilane with the solvent resonance as internal standard (CDCl_3 , $\delta = 77.0$ and DMSO-d^6 , $\delta = 40.6$). Flash column chromatography was carried out using silica gel eluting with ethyl acetate and petroleum ether. Reactions were monitored by TLC and visualized with ultraviolet light. Enantiomeric excess (*ee*) was determined by HPLC analysis on chiralpak AD-H, or OD-H columns. IR spectra were recorded on a ThermoFisher Nicolet Avatar 360 FTIR spectrometer on a KBr beamsplitter. Optical rotations are reported as follows: $[\alpha]^{20}_{\text{D}}$ (C in g/per 100 mL, THF).

2.General procedure for hydroxyamination of oxindoles with nitrosobenzene

Substrates **1a-p**,¹ nitrosobenzene **2**² and catalysts **4a-m**³ were prepared according to literature methods.

2.1 General procedure for hydroxyamination of oxindoles **1a-j** with nitrosobenzene.



2-oxindole **1** (0.6 mmol), nitrosobenzene **2** (0.2 mmol) and catalyst **4f** (0.04 mmol) were stirred in 4.0 mL toluene at 25°C for 4-11 h in air. Then the reaction mixture was directly subjected to flash column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether / ethylacetate) to afford the corresponding products **3**.

(R)-1,3-dibenzyl-3-(hydroxy(phenyl)amino)indolin-2-one (**3a**)

Yield 86%; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ=7.48 (d, *J*=9.1Hz, 1H), 7.38-7.40 (m, 1H), 7.23 (s, 1H), 6.98-7.18 (m, 11H), 6.85 (d, *J*=7.2Hz, 2H), 6.47 (d, *J*=7.1Hz, 2H), 6.16-6.19 (m, 1H), 4.56 (d, *J*=16.1Hz, 1H), 4.45 (d, *J*=16.1Hz, 1H), 3.78 (d, *J*=12.4Hz, 1H), 3.53 (d, *J*=12.4Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ=175.2, 148.4, 143.1, 134.8, 134.3, 130.6, 129.0, 128.4, 127.7, 127.4, 126.9, 126.6, 126.5, 126.3, 126.2, 125.7, 124.1, 121.9, 109.1, 76.5, 43.2, 41.8; IR (KBr): ν=3346, 3060, 3030, 2924, 1709, 1694, 1610, 1487, 1466, 1454, 1373, 1359, 1176, 760, 730, 700, 648 cm⁻¹; ESI-HRMS: Calcd for [C₂₈H₂₄N₂NaO₂, M+Na]⁺: 443.1730, FOUND: 443.1723. The *ee* was determined by HPLC analysis using a chiralcel AD column,

hexane/2-propanol 90:10, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm. t_R = 24.69 min (major), 26.46 min (minor), 83% *ee*, $[\alpha]_D^{20}=-28$ (c 0.2, DCM).

(R)-1-benzyl-3-(4-fluorobenzyl)-3-(hydroxy(phenyl)amino)indolin-2-one (**3b**)

Yield 75%; ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3): δ =7.36 (d, $J=7.51\text{Hz}$, 1H), 6.99-7.25 (m, 10H), 6.78 (t, $J=7.0\text{Hz}$, 2H), 6.68 (t, $J=8.7\text{Hz}$, 2H), 3.75 (d, $J=7.1\text{Hz}$, 2H), 6.8 (d, $J=7.1\text{Hz}$, 2H), 6.22 (d, $J=6.9\text{Hz}$, 1H), 4.57 (d, $J=16.1\text{Hz}$, 1H), 4.44 (d, $J=16.1\text{Hz}$, 1H), 3.75 (d, $J=12.5\text{Hz}$, 1H), 3.48 (d, $J=12.6\text{Hz}$, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3): δ =174.6, 161.8 ($J_{\text{C}-\text{F}}=243.4\text{Hz}$), 147.5, 143.1, 134.6, 132.1 ($J_{\text{C}-\text{F}}=7.9\text{Hz}$), 129.8, 129.4, 128.4, 127.9, 127.4 ($J_{\text{C}-\text{F}}=7.0\text{Hz}$), 127.2, 126.7, 126.0, 124.0, 122.2, 114.6 ($J_{\text{C}-\text{F}}=20.9\text{Hz}$), 109.3, 77.2, 43.2, 40.1; IR (KBr): ν =3370, 3058, 2933, 2856, 1708, 1612, 1510, 1488, 1468, 1379, 1223, 1171, 1160, 1009, 943, 777, 755, 700 cm^{-1} ; ESI-HRMS: Calcd for $[\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{23}\text{FN}_2\text{NaO}_2, \text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 461.1636, FOUND: 461.1626. The *ee* was determined by HPLC analysis using a chiralcel AD column, hexane/2-propanol 90:10, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm. t_R = 21.64 min (major), 25.52 min (minor), 80% *ee*, $[\alpha]_D^{20}=-25$ (c 0.1, DCM).

(R)-1-benzyl-3-(3-chlorobenzyl)-3-(hydroxy(phenyl)amino)indolin-2-one (**3c**)

Yield 87%; ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta=7.37$ (d, $J=7.8\text{Hz}$, 1H), 7.0-7.25 (m, 11H), 6.92 (t, $J=7.8\text{Hz}$, 1H), 6.84 (s, 1H), 6.74 (d, $J=7.7\text{Hz}$, 1H), 6.54 (d, $J=7.0\text{Hz}$, 2H), 6.22-6.25 (m, 1H), 4.46-4.58 (m, 2H), 3.75 (d, $J=12.4\text{Hz}$, 1H), 3.51 (d, $J=12.5\text{Hz}$, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta=174.4, 147.3, 143.0, 136.2, 134.6, 133.5, 130.6, 129.5, 128.5, 127.9, 127.2, 126.9, 126.7, 126.4, 125.7, 124.0, 122.3, 109.3, 76.4, 43.3, 41.1$; IR (KBr): $\nu = 3357, 3058, 2923, 2854, 1710, 1609, 1597, 1486, 1466, 1372, 1210, 1193, 1008, 945, 815, 773, 755, 696 \text{ cm}^{-1}$; ESI-HRMS: Calcd for $[\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{23}\text{ClN}_2\text{NaO}_2, \text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 477.1340, FOUND: 477.1335. The *ee* was determined by HPLC analysis using a chiralcel AD column, hexane/2-propanol 90:10, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm. $t_{\text{R}} = 20.36 \text{ min (major), } 21.68 \text{ min (minor), } 81\% \text{ ee, } [\alpha]_D^{20}=-34 \text{ (c 0.2, DCM)}$.

(R)-1-benzyl-3-(4-chlorobenzyl)-3-(hydroxy(phenyl)amino)indolin-2-one (**3d**)

Yield 71%; ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta=7.33$ (d, $J=7.3\text{Hz}$, 2H), 7.01-7.24 (m, 9H), 6.97 (d, $J=8.4\text{Hz}$, 2H), 6.75 (d, $J=8.3\text{Hz}$, 2H), 6.47 (d, $J=7.4\text{Hz}$, 2H), 6.23 (d, $J=7.1\text{Hz}$, 1H), 4.63 (d, $J=16.1\text{Hz}$, 1H), 4.40 (d, $J=16.1\text{Hz}$, 1H), 3.73 (d, $J=12.4\text{Hz}$, 1H), 3.46 (d, $J=12.4\text{Hz}$, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta=174.9, 148.2, 143.1, 134.6, 132.8, 132.6, 132.0, 129.3, 128.4, 127.9, 127.8, 127.7, 127.2, 126.3, 126.2, 126.0, 124.0, 122.1, 109.3, 76.2, 43.2, 41.0$; IR (KBr):

ν = 3362, 3057, 2923, 2851, 1707, 1612, 1488, 1468, 1377, 1211, 1171, 945, 859, 815, 754, 698 cm⁻¹; ESI-HRMS: Calcd for [C₂₈H₂₃ClN₂NaO₂, M+Na]⁺: 477.1340, FOUND: 477.1329. The *ee* was determined by HPLC analysis using a chiralcel AD column, hexane/2-propanol 90:10, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm. t_R = 25.25 min (major), 27.49 min (minor), 82% *ee*, $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -45$ (c 0.1, DCM).

(R)-1-benzyl-3-(4-bromobenzyl)-3-(hydroxy(phenyl)amino)indolin-2-one (**3e**)

Yield 83%; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.37 (d, *J*=6.7Hz, 1H), 7.02-7.23 (m, 12H), 6.73 (d, *J*=8.3Hz, 2H), 6.47 (d, *J*=7.7Hz, 2H), 6.23 (d, *J*=8.1Hz, 1H), 4.67 (d, *J*=16.1Hz, 1H), 4.40 (d, *J*=16.0Hz, 1H), 3.74 (d, *J*=12.5Hz, 1H), 3.48 (d, *J*=12.4Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 175.0, 148.2, 143.1, 134.7, 133.3, 132.3, 130.9, 129.3, 128.5, 127.8, 127.2, 126.3, 125.9, 124.0, 122.1, 120.8, 119.7, 109.3, 76.1, 43.3, 41.1; IR (KBr): ν = 3362, 3057, 2923, 2852, 1707, 1612, 1487, 1468, 1377, 1211, 1171, 1011, 858, 813, 754, 697 cm⁻¹; ESI-HRMS: Calcd for [C₂₈H₂₃BrN₂NaO₂, M+Na]⁺: 521.0835, FOUND: 521.0836. The *ee* was determined by HPLC analysis using a chiralcel OD column, hexane/2-propanol 90:10, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm. t_R = 8.07 min (major), 8.71 min (minor), 80% *ee*, $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -47$ (c 0.1, DCM).

(R)-1-benzyl-3-(hydroxy(phenyl)amino)-3-(3-methylbenzyl)indolin-2-one (**3f**)

Yield 89%; ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3): δ =7.33-7.40 (m, 2H), 7.23-7.27 (m, 1H), 6.98-7.20 (m, 8H), 6.89-6.91 (m, 2H), 6.68 (s, 1H), 6.62 (d, $J=6.6\text{Hz}$, 1H), 6.46 (d, $J=7.2\text{Hz}$, 2H), 6.17-6.20 (m, 1H), 4.63 (d, $J=16.1\text{Hz}$, 1H), 4.42 (d, $J=16.1\text{Hz}$, 1H), 3.71-3.77 (m, 1H), 3.46-3.52 (m, 1H), 2.09 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3): δ =175.3, 148.4, 143.2, 137.2, 134.9, 134.2, 131.4, 129.0, 128.4, 127.7, 127.6, 127.5, 127.2, 126.9, 126.8, 126.6, 126.3, 125.7, 124.1, 121.8, 109.1, 76.4, 43.2, 41.7, 21.1; IR (KBr): ν =3349, 3051, 3027, 2924, 1708, 1609, 1486, 1466, 1373, 1211, 1174, 1010, 945, 917, 776, 698 cm^{-1} ; ESI-HRMS: Calcd for $[\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{26}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_2, \text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 457.1886, FOUND: 457.1871. The *ee* was determined by HPLC analysis using a chiralcel AD column, hexane/2-propanol 75:25, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm. t_{R} = 19.09 min (major), 21.83 min (minor), 77% *ee*, $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20}=-35$ (c 0.1, DCM).

(R)-1-benzyl-3-(hydroxy(phenyl)amino)-3-(4-methoxybenzyl)indolin-2-one (**3g**)

Yield 71%; ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3): δ =7.36 (d, $J=7.5\text{Hz}$, 1H), 7.25 (d, $J=6.9\text{Hz}$, 2H), 7.01-7.20 (m, 8H), 6.75 (d, $J=8.6\text{Hz}$, 2H), 6.55 (d, $J=8.6\text{Hz}$, 2H), 6.45 (d, $J=7.2\text{Hz}$, 2H), 6.18-6.21 (m, 1H), 4.64 (d, $J=16.1\text{Hz}$, 1H), 4.42 (d, $J=16.1\text{Hz}$, 1H), 3.74 (d, $J=12.6\text{Hz}$,

1H), 3.70 (s, 3H), 3.46 (d, $J=12.6\text{Hz}$, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta=174.8, 158.3, 147.7, 143.2, 134.7, 131.6, 129.2, 128.3, 127.8, 127.0, 126.3, 126.1, 126.0, 124.0, 122.0, 113.1, 109.2, 76.6, 54.9, 43.1, 40.7$; IR (KBr): $\nu=3362, 3054, 2929, 1704, 1611, 1512, 1486, 1467, 1248, 1177, 1110, 945, 859, 775, 755, 699 \text{ cm}^{-1}$; ESI-HRMS: Calcd for $[\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{26}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_3, \text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 473.1836, FOUND: 473.1835. The *ee* was determined by HPLC analysis using a chiralcel OD column, hexane/2-propanol 90:10, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm. $t_{\text{R}}=8.78 \text{ min (major), 9.56 min (minor), 77\% ee, } [\alpha]_D^{20}=-50 \text{ (c 0.1, DCM).}$

(R)-3-benzyl-1-ethyl-3-(hydroxy(phenyl)amino)indolin-2-one (3h)

Yield 51%; ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta=7.47$ (s, 1H), 7.31 (d, $J=7.3\text{Hz}$, 1H), 7.17-7.22 (m, 2H), 7.12 (t, $J=7.9\text{Hz}$, 3H), 6.93-7.05 (m, 5H), 6.77 (d, $J=7.0\text{Hz}$, 2H), 6.41 (d, $J=7.7\text{Hz}$, 1H), 3.68 (d, $J=12.3\text{Hz}$, 1H), 3.34-3.45 (m, 2H), 3.19-3.30 (m, 1H), 0.63 (t, $J=7.1\text{Hz}$, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta=174.8, 148.5, 142.9, 134.2, 130.4, 128.9, 127.6, 127.4, 127.0, 126.4, 125.5, 123.8, 121.7, 107.9, 76.1, 41.9, 34.0, 11.6$; IR (KBr): $\nu=3357, 3057, 2934, 1700, 1610, 1487, 1467, 1452, 1377, 1214, 1099, 1028, 915, 769, 754, 699 \text{ cm}^{-1}$; ESI-HRMS: Calcd for $[\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_2, \text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 381.1573, FOUND: 381.1561. The *ee* was determined by HPLC analysis using a chiralcel AD column, hexane/2-propanol 90:10, flow rate = 1.0

mL/min, 220 nm. $t_R = 12.69$ min (major), 13.33 min (minor), 81% *ee*, $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -11$ (c 0.2, DCM).

(R)-3-benzyl-5-bromo-3-(hydroxy(phenyl)amino)-1-methylindolin-2-one (**3i**)

Yield 85%; ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 7.35$ (d, $J = 1.5\text{Hz}$, 1H), 7.17-7.29 (m, 4H), 6.96-7.13 (m, 5H), 6.77 (d, $J = 5.9\text{Hz}$, 2H), 6.27 (d, $J = 8.3\text{Hz}$, 1H), 3.61 (d, $J = 12.4\text{Hz}$, 1H), 3.33 (d, $J = 12.4\text{Hz}$, 1H), 2.73 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 174.7, 148.0, 142.8, 133.6, 131.7, 130.2, 129.0, 128.9, 127.9, 127.6, 126.6, 126.0, 123.7, 114.6, 109.1, 76.6, 42.0, 25.7$; IR (KBr): $\nu = 3293, 3061, 2924, 1707, 1607, 1485, 1364, 1271, 1100, 808, 773, 701 \text{ cm}^{-1}$; ESI-HRMS: Calcd for $[\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{19}\text{BrN}_2\text{NaO}_2, \text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 445.0522, FOUND: 445.0518. The *ee* was determined by HPLC analysis using a chiralcel AD column, hexane/2-propanol 90:10, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm. $t_R = 12.48$ min (minor), 14.32 min (major), 75% *ee*, $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -44$ (c 0.2, DCM).

(R)-3-(3-chlorobenzyl)-3-(hydroxy(phenyl)amino)-1-methylindolin-2-one (**3j**)

Yield 89%; ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 7.52$ (s, 1H), 7.10-7.23 (m, 5H), 6.96-7.07 (m, 3H), 6.89 (t, $J = 7.7\text{Hz}$, 1H), 6.73 (s, 1H), 6.69 (d, $J = 7.6\text{Hz}$, 1H), 6.42 (d, $J = 7.7\text{Hz}$, 1H), 3.61 (d, $J = 12.4\text{Hz}$, 1H), 3.36 (d, $J = 12.4\text{Hz}$, 1H), 2.76 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta =$

175.2, 148.3, 143.6, 136.3, 133.1, 130.2, 129.2, 128.6, 128.5, 127.7, 126.6, 126.3, 126.1, 125.7, 123.7, 122.1, 107.9, 76.1, 41.4, 25.6; IR (KBr): ν = 3323, 3055, 2930, 1698, 1612, 1485, 1471, 1379, 1089, 949, 752, 670 cm⁻¹; ESI-HRMS: Calcd for [C₂₂H₁₉ClN₂NaO₂, M+Na]⁺: 401.1027, FOUND: 401.1022. The *ee* was determined by HPLC analysis using a chiralcel AD column, hexane/2-propanol 90:10, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm. t_R = 11.48 min (major), 13.40 min (minor), 77% *ee*, $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ = -3 (c 0.2, DCM).

2.2 General procedure for hydroxyamination of oxindoles **1k-p** with nitrosobenzene.

2-oxindole **1** (0.6 mmol), nitrosobenzene **2** (0.2 mmol) and catalyst **4f** (0.04 mmol) were stirred in 4.0 mL toluene at 25°C for 1.5-3 h in air. The precipitate was filtered, washed with methylene dichloride and dried to afford the product as a white solid.

(R)-3-benzyl-3-(hydroxy(phenyl)amino)indolin-2-one (**3k**)^{4a,b}
Yield 86%; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-*d*⁶): δ =9.92 (s, 1H), 9.09 (s, 1H), 7.43 (d, *J*=7.1Hz, 1H), 6.82-7.19 (m, 12H), 6.35 (d, *J*=7.4Hz, 1H), 3.41-3.52 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-*d*⁶): δ =175.5, 150.0, 142.0, 134.9, 130.2, 128.5, 127.6, 127.4, 126.2, 126.0, 124.4, 123.0, 120.7, 108.8, 76.0, 41.7. The *ee* was determined by HPLC analysis using a chiralcel AD column, hexane/2-propanol 90:10, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm. t_R = 23.36 min (major), 26.40 min

(minor), 90% *ee*, $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -89$ (c 0.2, THF).

(R)-3-(4-chlorobenzyl)-3-(hydroxy(phenyl)amino)indolin-2-one

(3l)^{4b}

Yield 85%; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-*d*⁶): δ=9.97 (s, 1H), 9.11 (s, 1H), 7.42 (d, *J*=7.1Hz, 1H), 6.90-7.11 (m, 9H), 6.81 (d, *J*=8.0Hz, 2H), 6.37 (d, *J*=7.4Hz, 1H), 3.35-3.50 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-*d*⁶): δ= 175.3, 150.0, 141.9, 134.0, 132.0, 131.1, 128.7, 127.4, 126.1, 124.5, 122.9, 120.9, 108.9, 75.9, 41.0. The *ee* was determined by HPLC analysis using a chiralcel AD column, hexane/2-propanol 90:10, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm. t_R = 23.80 min (major), 28.42 min (minor), 82% *ee*, $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -104$ (c 0.2, THF).

(R)-3-(3-bromobenzyl)-3-(hydroxy(phenyl)amino)indolin-2-one

(3m)

Yield 91%; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-*d*⁶): δ=10.03 (s, 1H), 9.13 (s, 1H), 7.44 (d, *J*=6.1Hz, 1H), 7.22 (d, *J*=6.5Hz, 1H), 6.98-7.11 (m, 9H), 6.79 (d, *J*=6.6Hz, 1H), 6.39 (d, *J*=7.2Hz, 1H) 3.37-3.52 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-*d*⁶): δ= 175.3, 149.9, 141.9, 137.8, 132.9, 129.5, 129.4, 129.2, 128.8, 127.5, 127.2, 126.1, 124.5, 123.0, 120.9, 120.7, 108.9, 75.9, 41.2; IR (KBr): ν = 3237, 2918, 1702, 1618, 1469, 773, 753, 692 cm⁻¹; ESI-HRMS: Calcd for [C₂₁H₁₇BrN₂NaO₂, M+Na]⁺: 431.0366, FOUND: 431.0364. The *ee* was determined by HPLC analysis using a chiralcel AD column, hexane/2-propanol

90:10, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm. t_R = 18.31 min (major), 24.89 min (minor), 82% *ee*, $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -63$ (c 0.2, THF).

(R)-3-(4-bromobenzyl)-3-(hydroxy(phenyl)amino)indolin-2-one

(3n)^{4b}

Yield 84%; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-*d*⁶): δ =9.98 (s, 1H), 9.12 (s, 1H), 7.43 (d, *J*=7.2Hz, 1H), 7.21 (d, *J*=8.2Hz, 2H), 7.11-7.16 (m, 4H), 6.90-7.07 (m, 3H), 6.76 (d, *J*=8.2Hz, 2H), 6.39 (d, *J*=7.6Hz, 1H) 3.37-3.49 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-*d*⁶): δ = 175.3, 150.0, 141.9, 134.4, 132.4, 130.3, 128.7, 127.5, 127.3, 126.1, 124.5, 122.9, 120.9, 119.7, 108.9, 75.9, 41.0. The *ee* was determined by HPLC analysis using a chiralcel AD column, hexane/2-propanol 90:10, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm. t_R = 25.53 min (major), 30.61 min (minor), 76% *ee*, $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -95$ (c 0.2, THF).

(R)-3-benzyl-6-chloro-3-(hydroxy(phenyl)amino)indolin-2-one **(3o)**

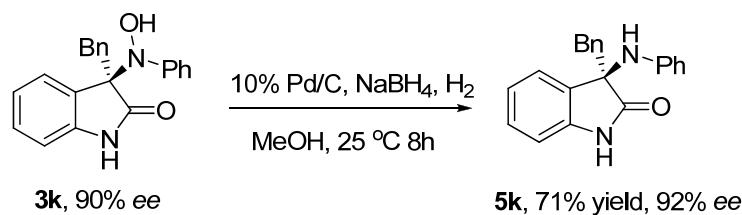
Yield 71%; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-*d*⁶): δ =10.13 (s, 1H), 9.18 (s, 1H), 7.41 (d, *J*=7.8Hz, 1H), 6.96-7.15 (m, 10H), 6.84 (s, 1H), 6.37 (s, 1H), 3.39-3.49 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO-*d*⁶): δ =175.5, 149.7, 143.5, 134.6, 132.7, 130.2, 127.6, 126.5, 124.8, 123.1, 120.5, 108.8, 75.9, 41.4; IR (KBr): ν =3269, 3030, 2919, 1716, 1669, 1617, 1489, 1479, 1453, 1356, 1069, 964, 907, 857, 820, 765, 696; ESI-HRMS: Calcd for [C₂₁H₁₇ClN₂NaO₂, M+Na]⁺: 387.0871, FOUND: 387.0883. The *ee* was determined by HPLC analysis using

a chiralcel OD column, hexane/2-propanol 90:10, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm. t_R = 7.10 min (major), 12.45 min (minor), 75% *ee*, $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -52$ (c 0.2, THF).

(R)-3-benzyl-7-fluoro-3-(hydroxy(phenyl)amino)indolin-2-one (**3p**)

Yield 71%; ^1H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO- d^6): δ =10.48 (s, 1H), 9.21 (s, 1H), 7.26-7.29 (m, 1H), 7.13-7.18 (m, 4H), 7.02-7.04 (m, 4H), 6.83-6.97 (m, 2H), 6.80-6.83 (m, 2H), 3.41-3.51 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO- d^6): δ =175.4, 149.8, 145.8 ($J_{\text{C}-\text{F}}=240\text{Hz}$), 134.6, 130.2, 127.6, 126.5, 124.8, 123.1, 122.2, 121.6 ($J_{\text{C}-\text{F}}=5.6\text{Hz}$), 115.6 ($J_{\text{C}-\text{F}}=17.0\text{Hz}$), 76.4, 41.7; IR (KBr): ν =3263, 3032, 2928, 1719, 1688, 1644, 1602, 1491, 1454, 1215, 1183, 916, 834, 796, 760, 699; ESI-HRMS: Calcd for $[\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{17}\text{FN}_2\text{NaO}_2, \text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 371.1166, FOUND: 371.1167. The *ee* was determined by HPLC analysis using a chiralcel AD column, hexane/2-propanol 95:5, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm. t_R = 20.33 min (minor), 31.09 min (major), 78% *ee*, $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -49$ (c 0.2, THF).

2.3 Procedure for cleave of the N-O bond.^{4b}



3k (0.2 mmol), Pd/C (4.9 mg, 10%) and sodium borohydride (0.6 mmol) were stirred in 1.0 mL methanol at 25°C for 8 h in

hydrogen. Then the reaction mixture was filtered through celite and the filtrate was concentrated in vacuum. Column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether / ethylacetate 7:1) afford the corresponding products **5k**.

(R)-3-benzyl-3-(phenylamino)indolin-2-one (**5k**)

Yield 71%; ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3): δ =8.32 (s, 1H), 7.10-7.21 (m, 6H), 6.89-6.95 (m, 4H), 6.67-6.69 (m, 2H), 6.29 (d, J =7.7Hz, 2H), 4.68 (s, 1H), 3.26 (dd, J =27.4Hz, J =12.4Hz, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3): δ =180.3, 145.1, 140.0, 133.1, 130.4, 129.4, 129.0, 127.8, 127.2, 124.5, 122.7, 119.0, 114.8, 110.5, 66.1, 46.3; IR (KBr): ν =3340, 3136, 3028, 1709, 1604, 1524, 1499, 1471, 1320, 1224, 1186, 751, 701, 667; ESI-HRMS: Calcd for $[\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}, \text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 337.1311, FOUND: 337.1319. The *ee* was determined by HPLC analysis using a chiralcel OD column, hexane/2-propanol 90:10, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm. t_R = 9.87 min (major), 11.69 min (minor), 92% *ee*, $[\alpha]_D^{20}=-5$ (c 0.18, DCM).

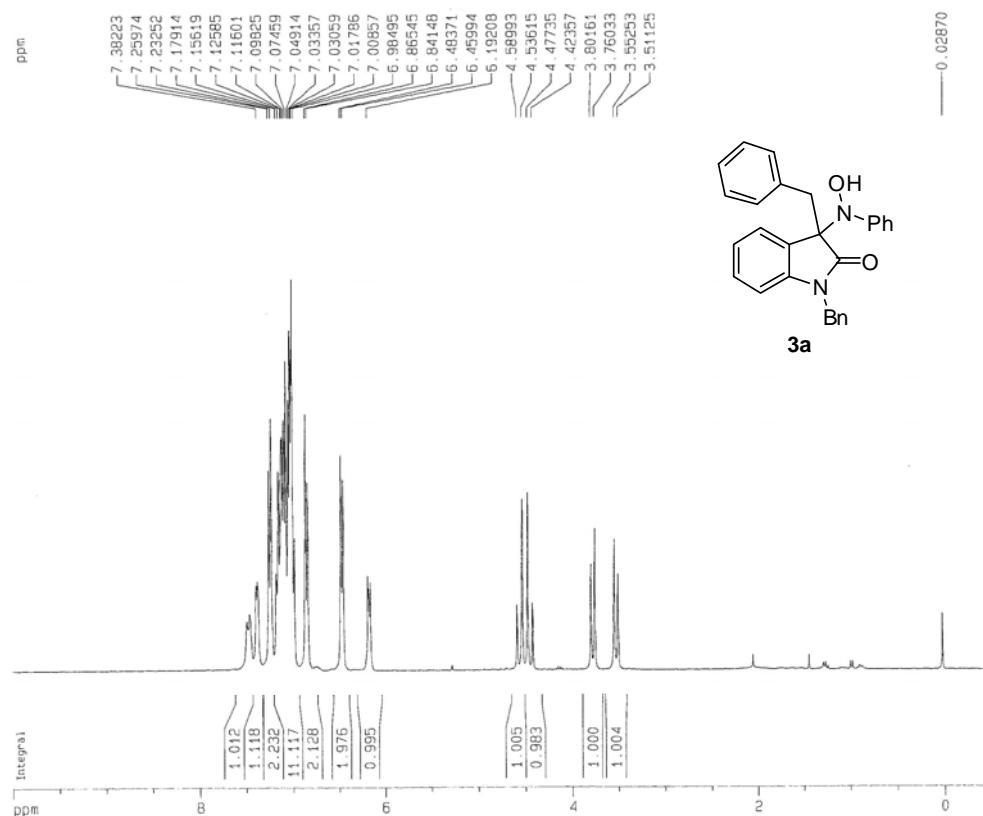
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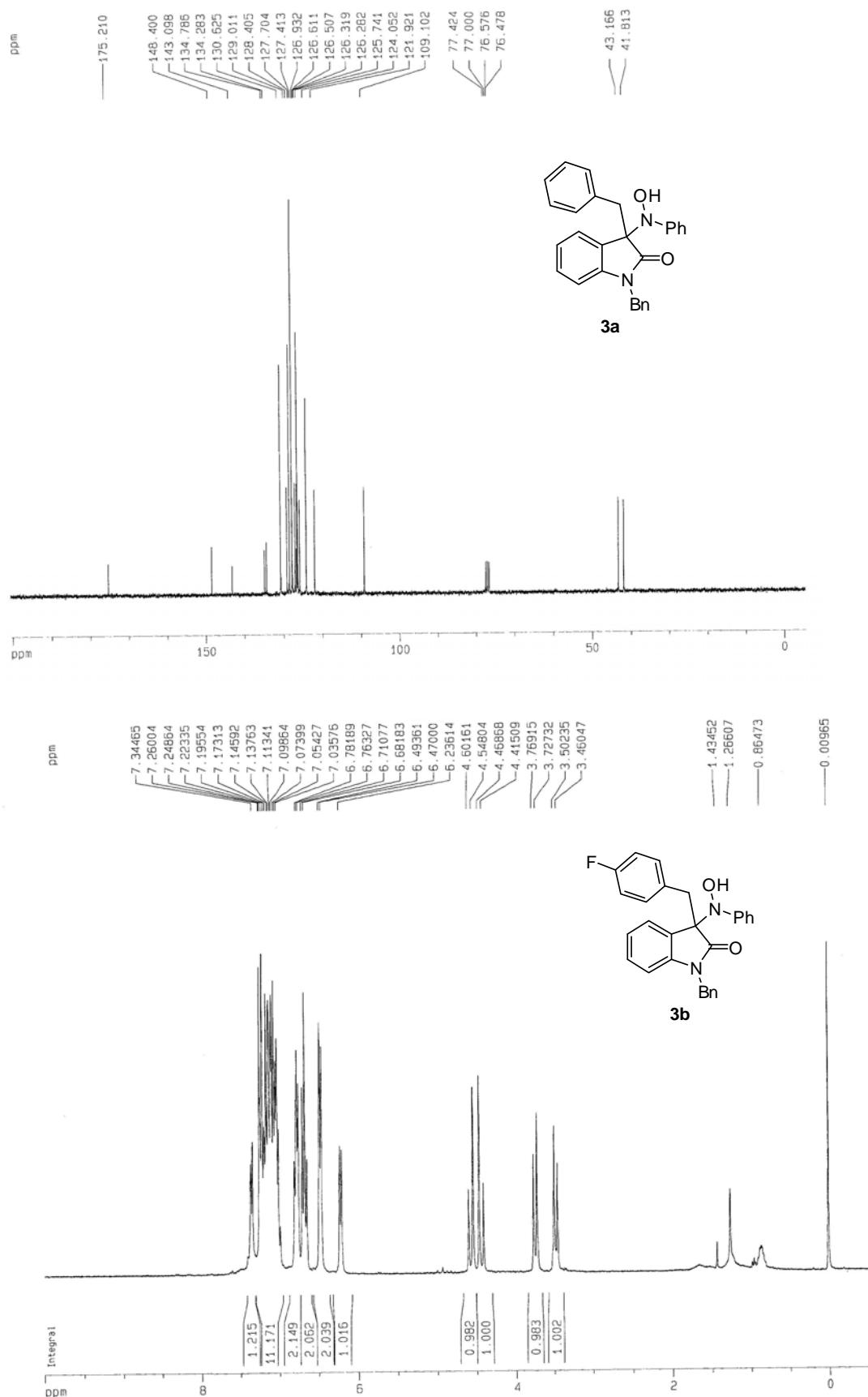
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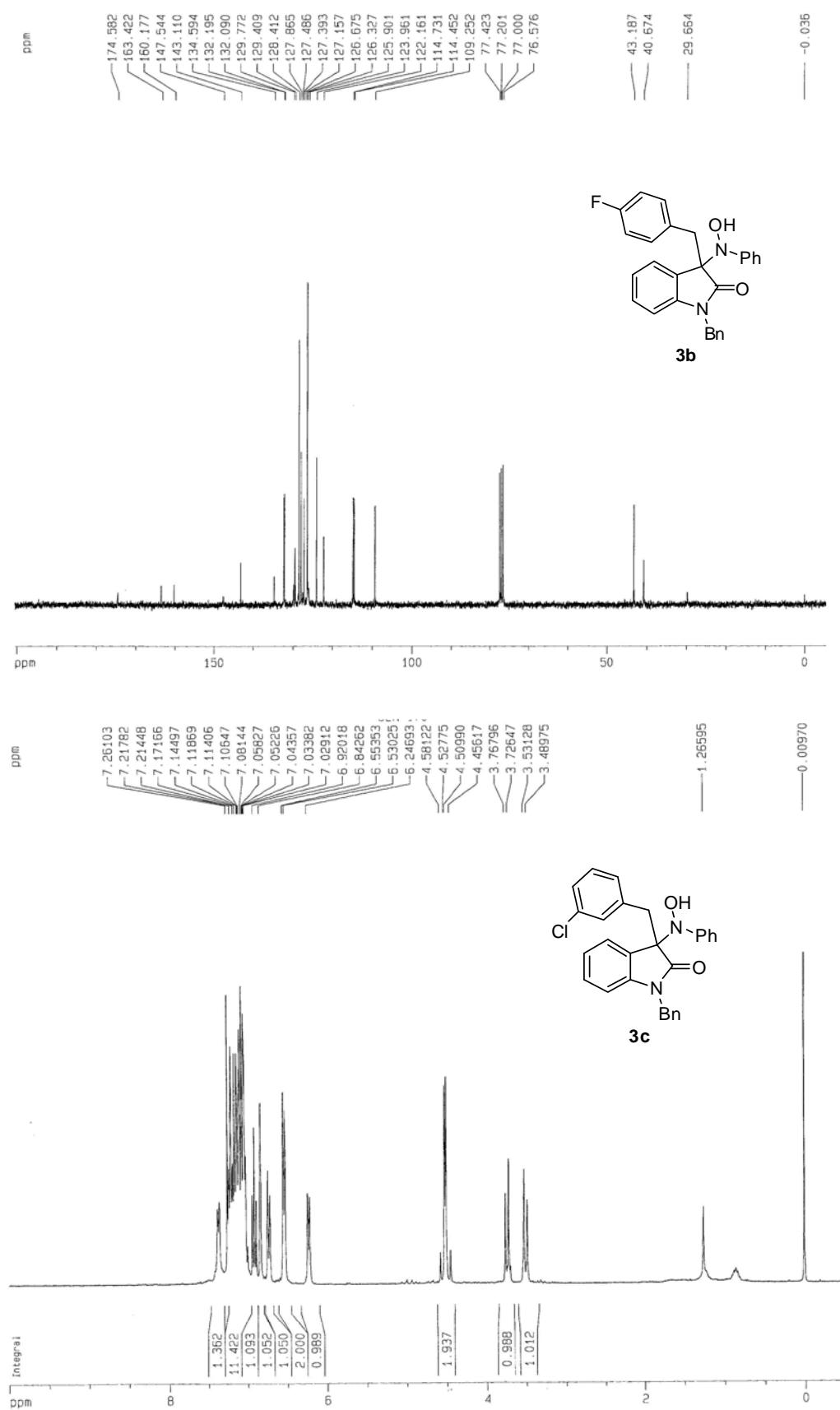
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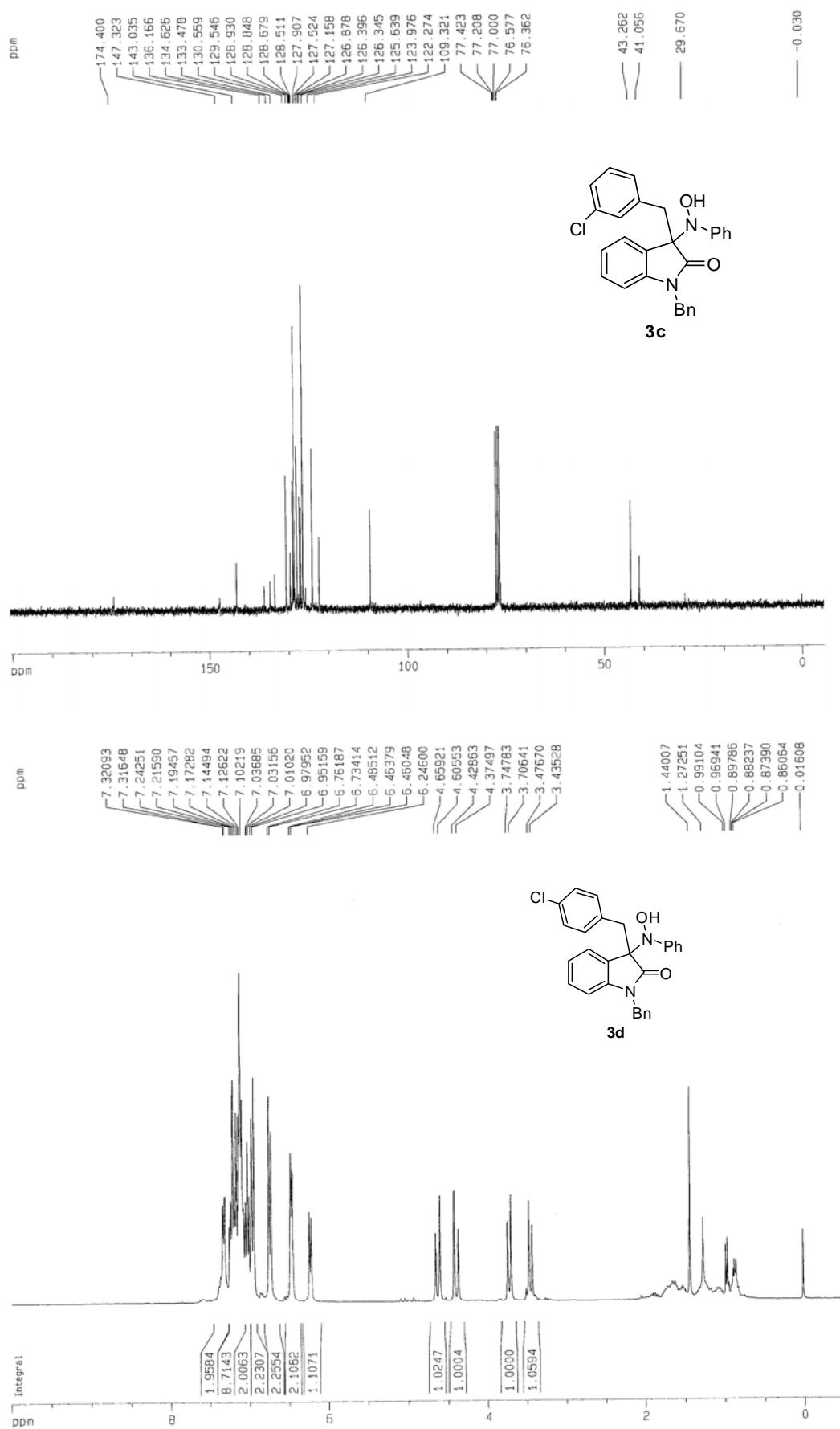
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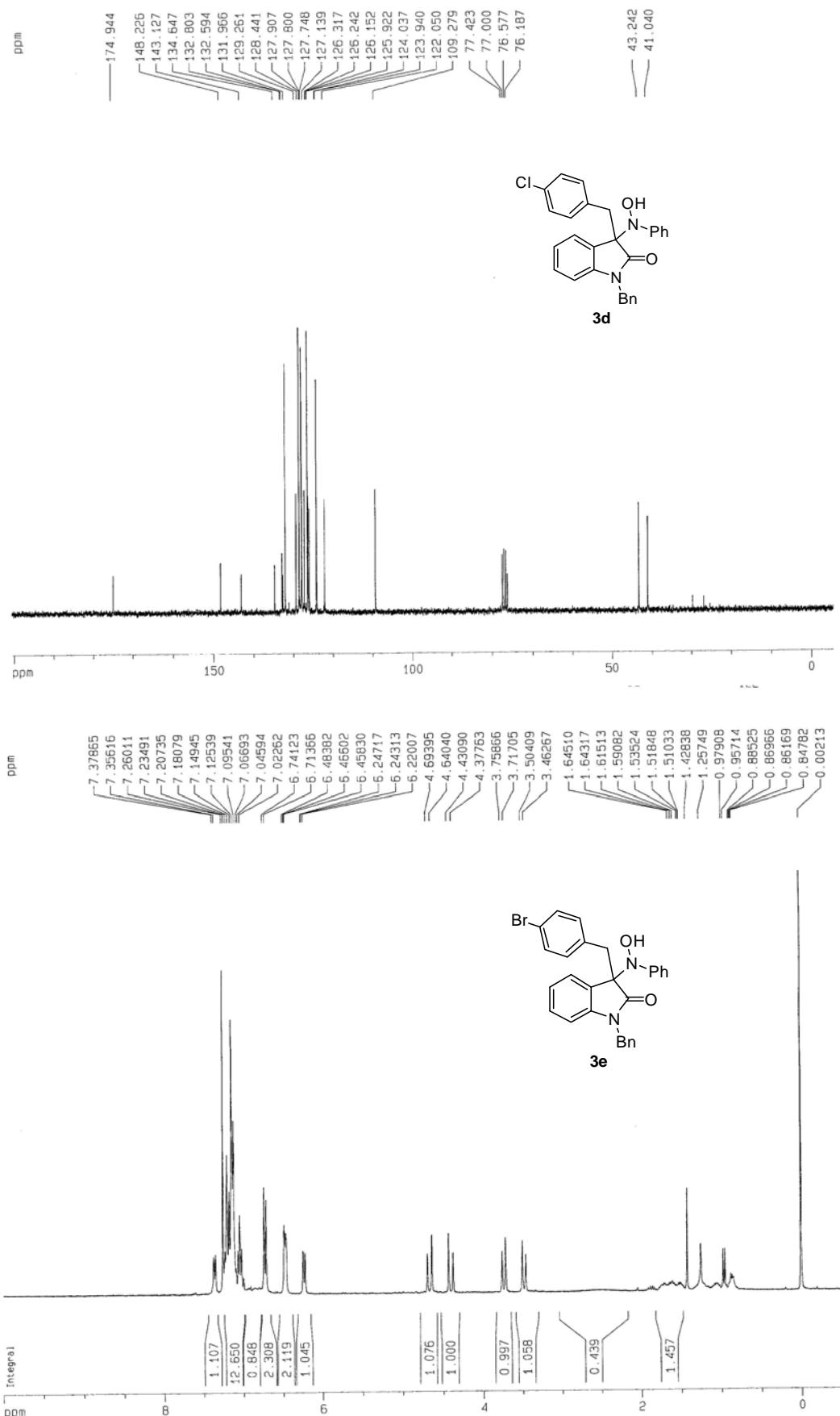
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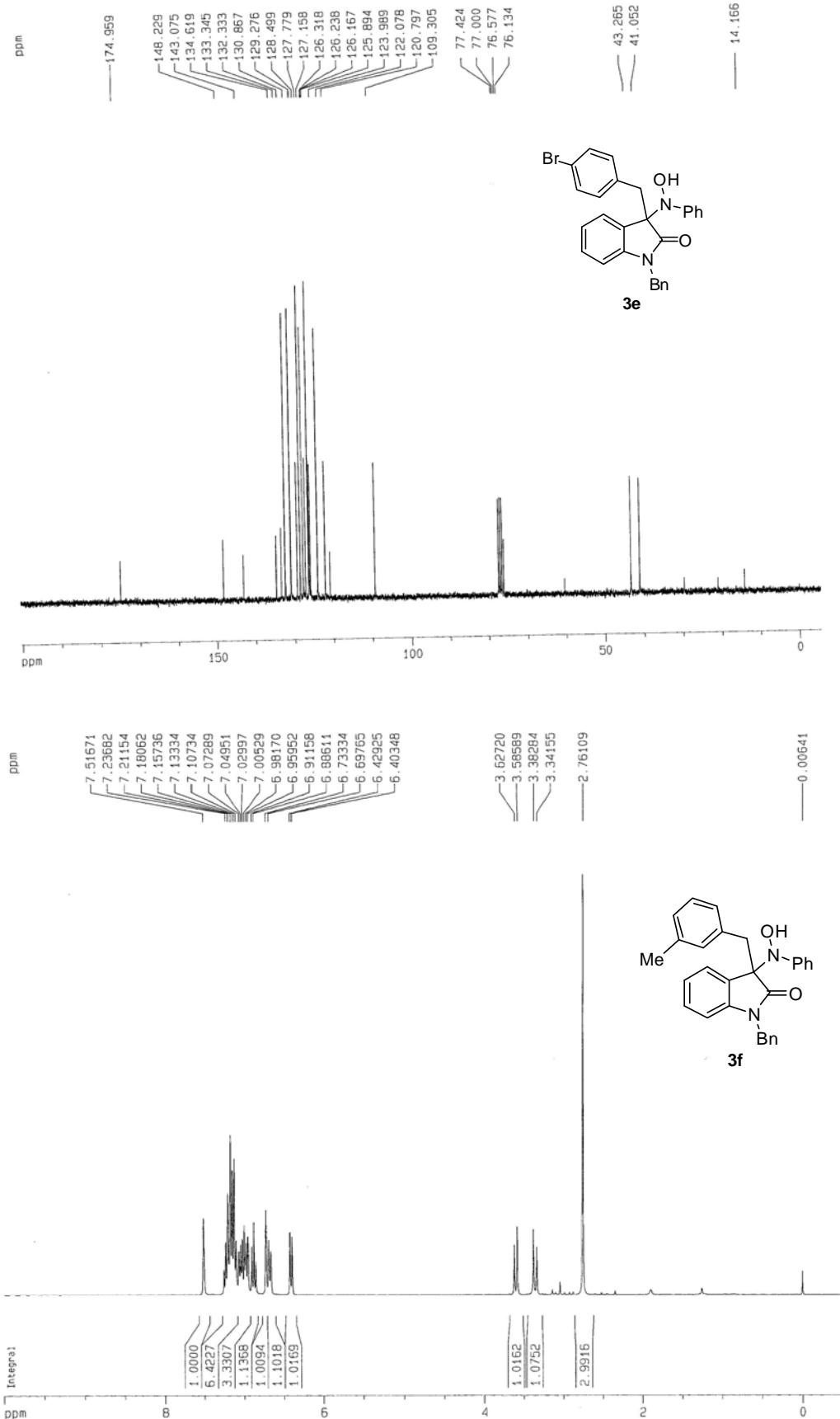


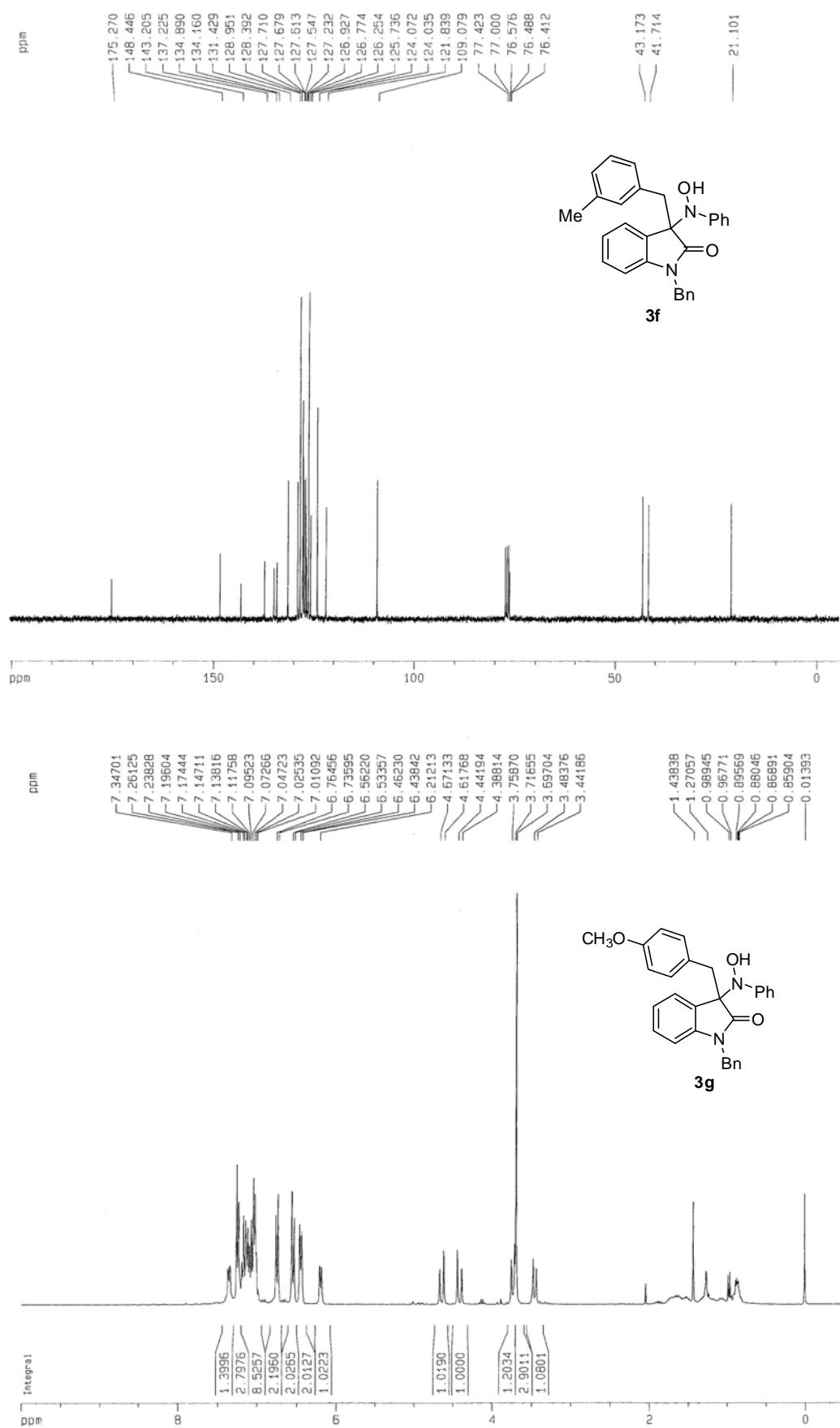


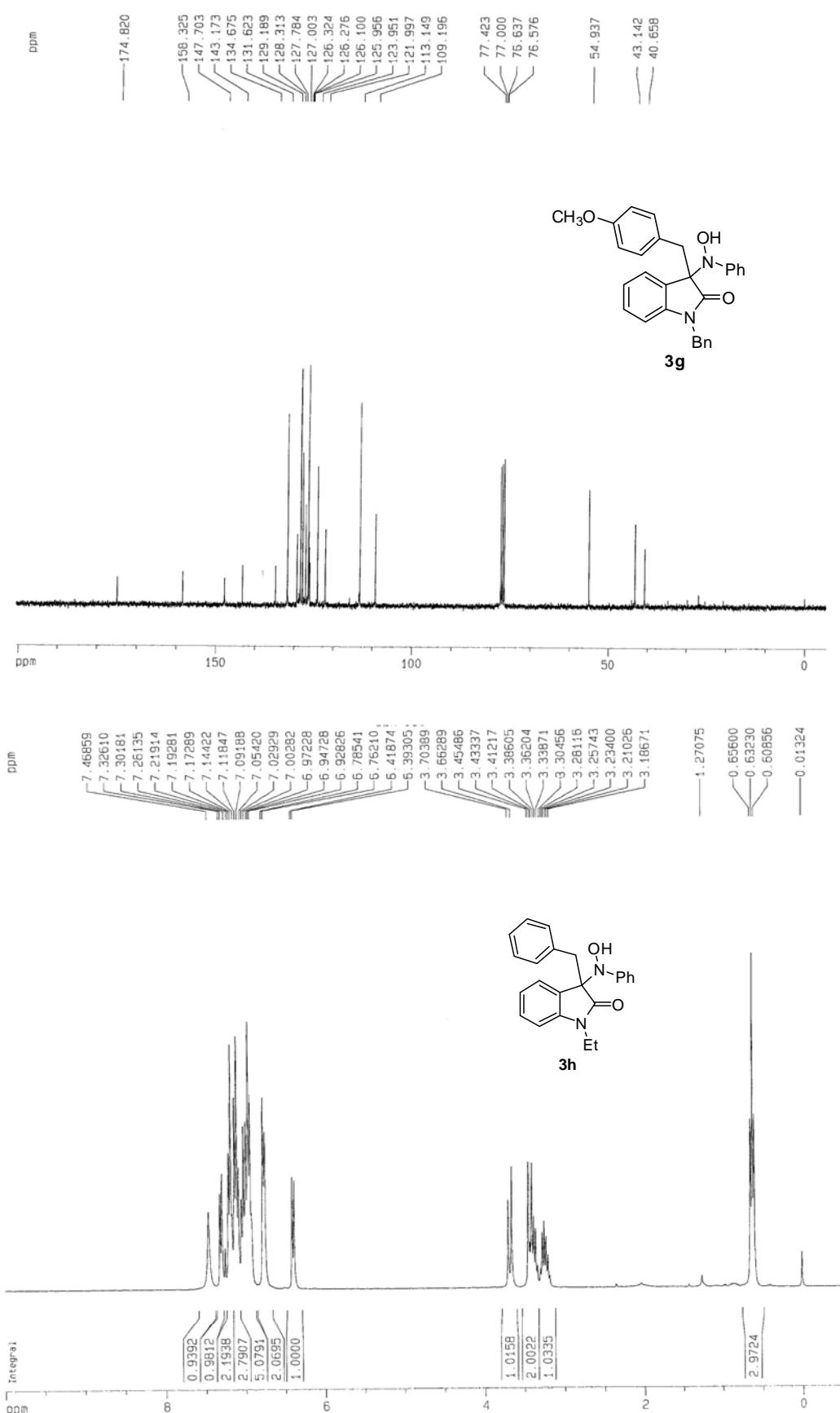


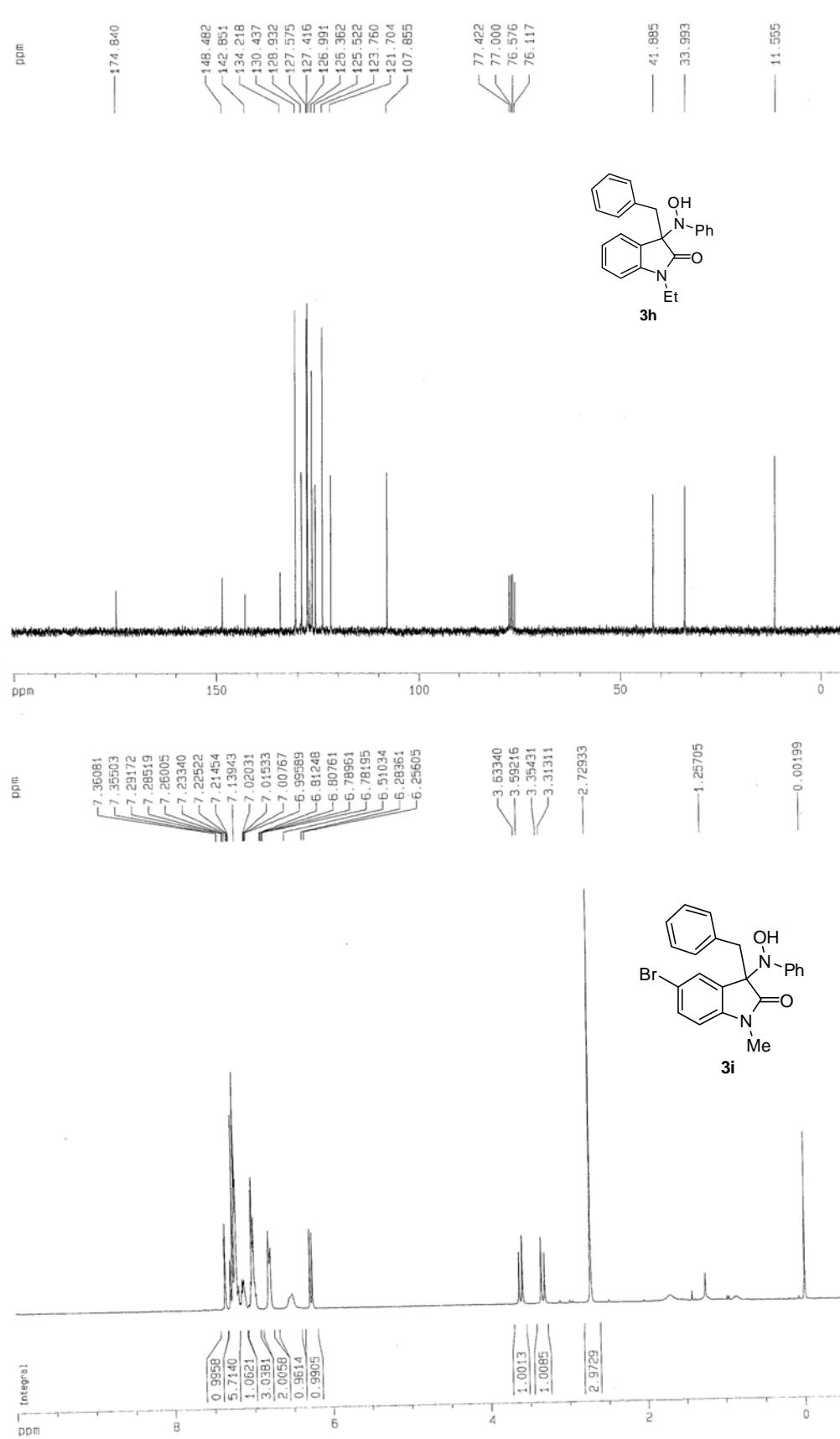


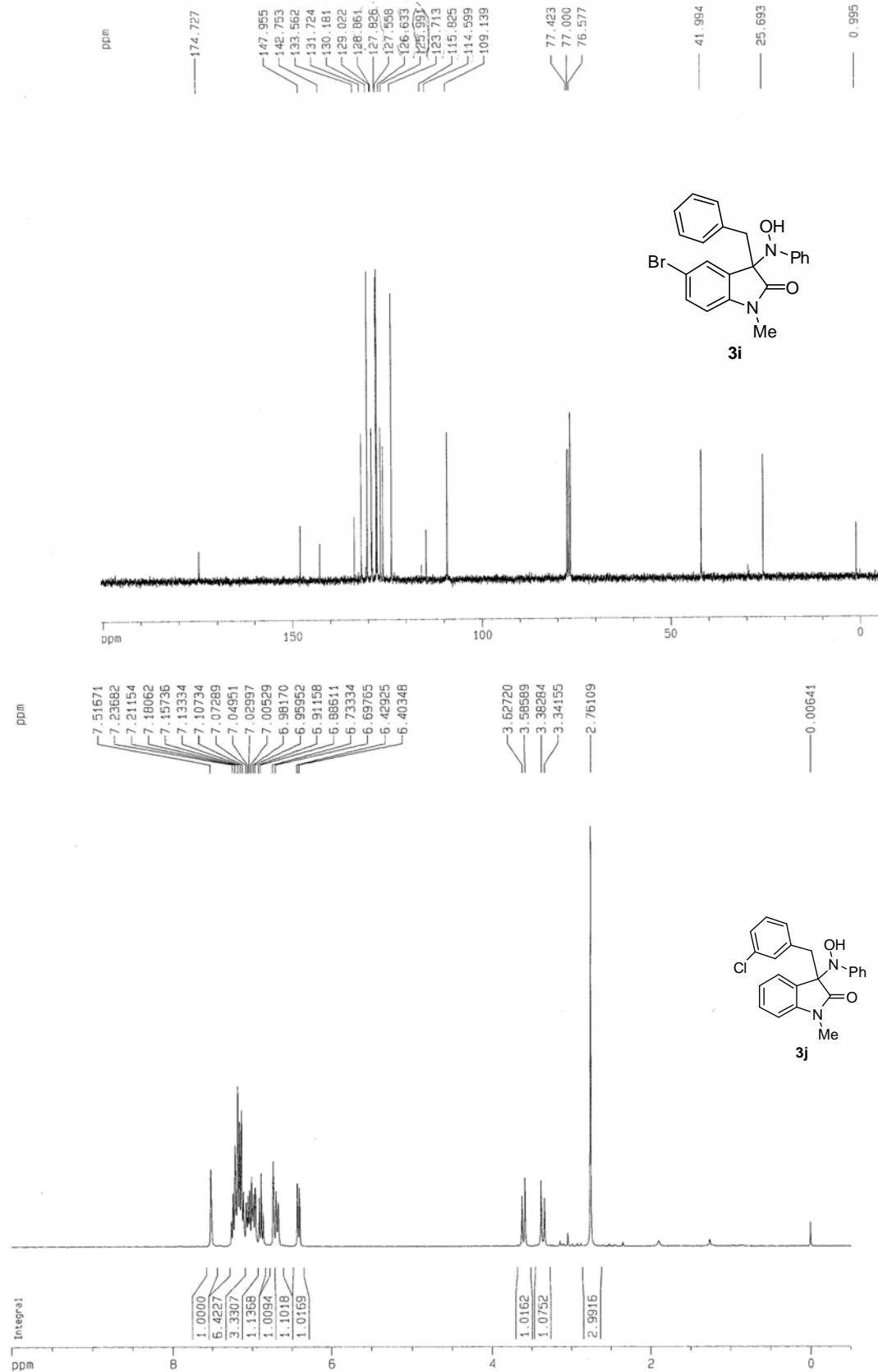


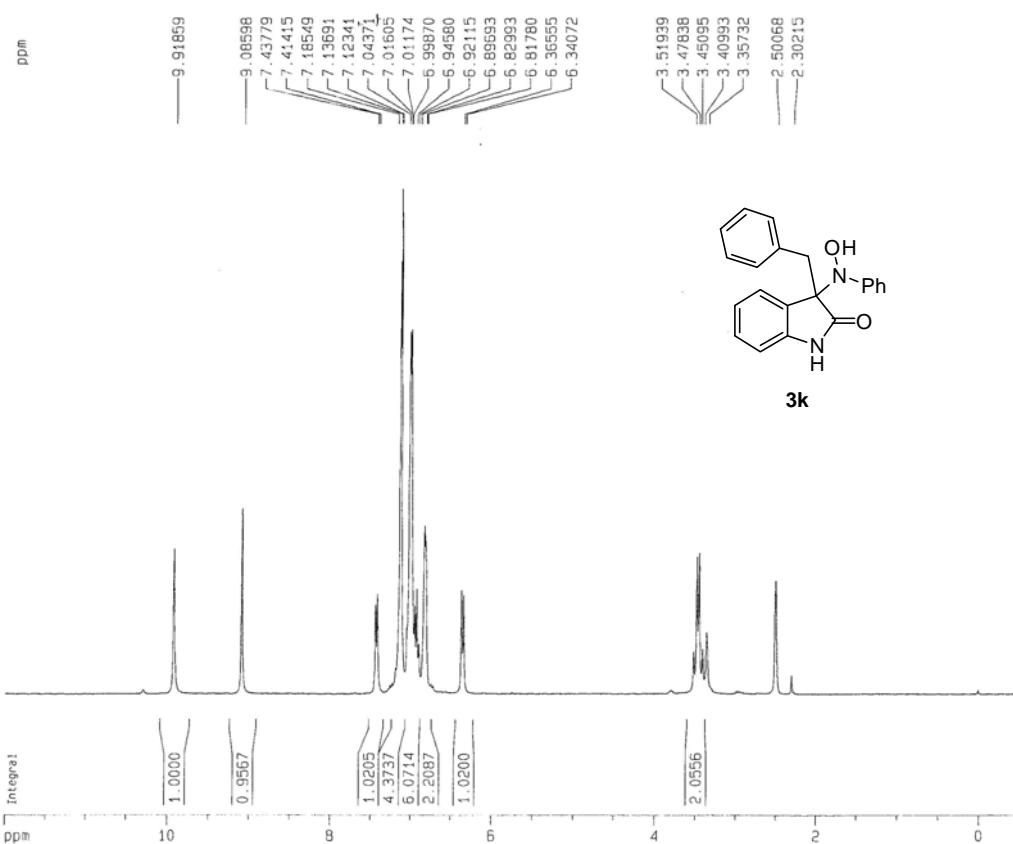
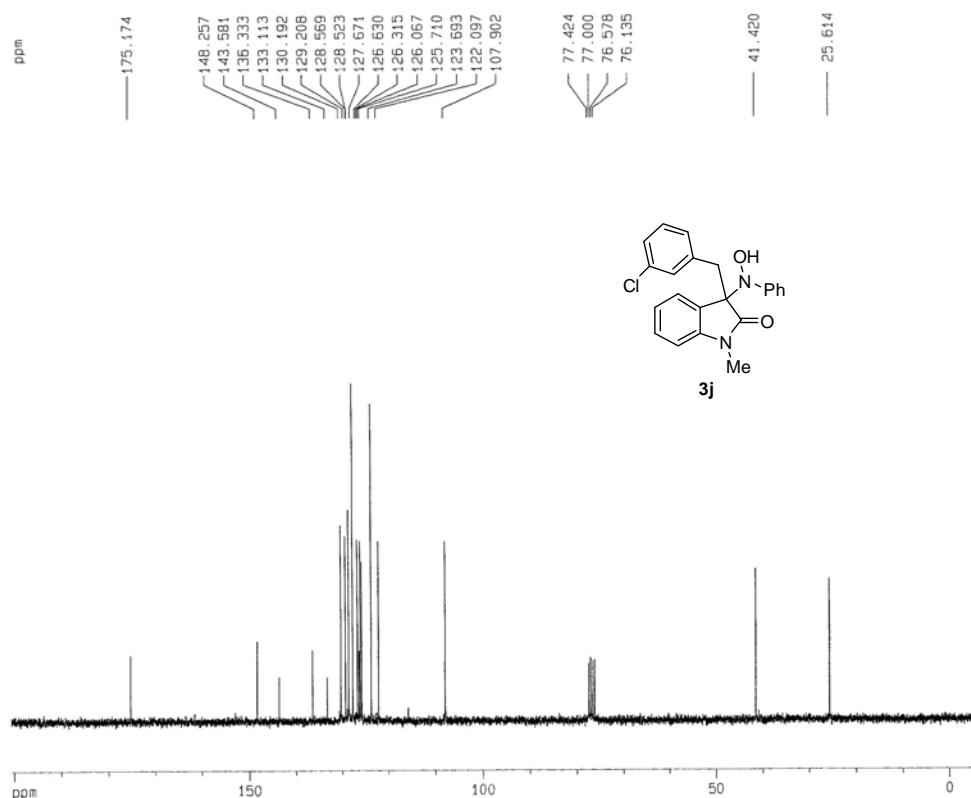


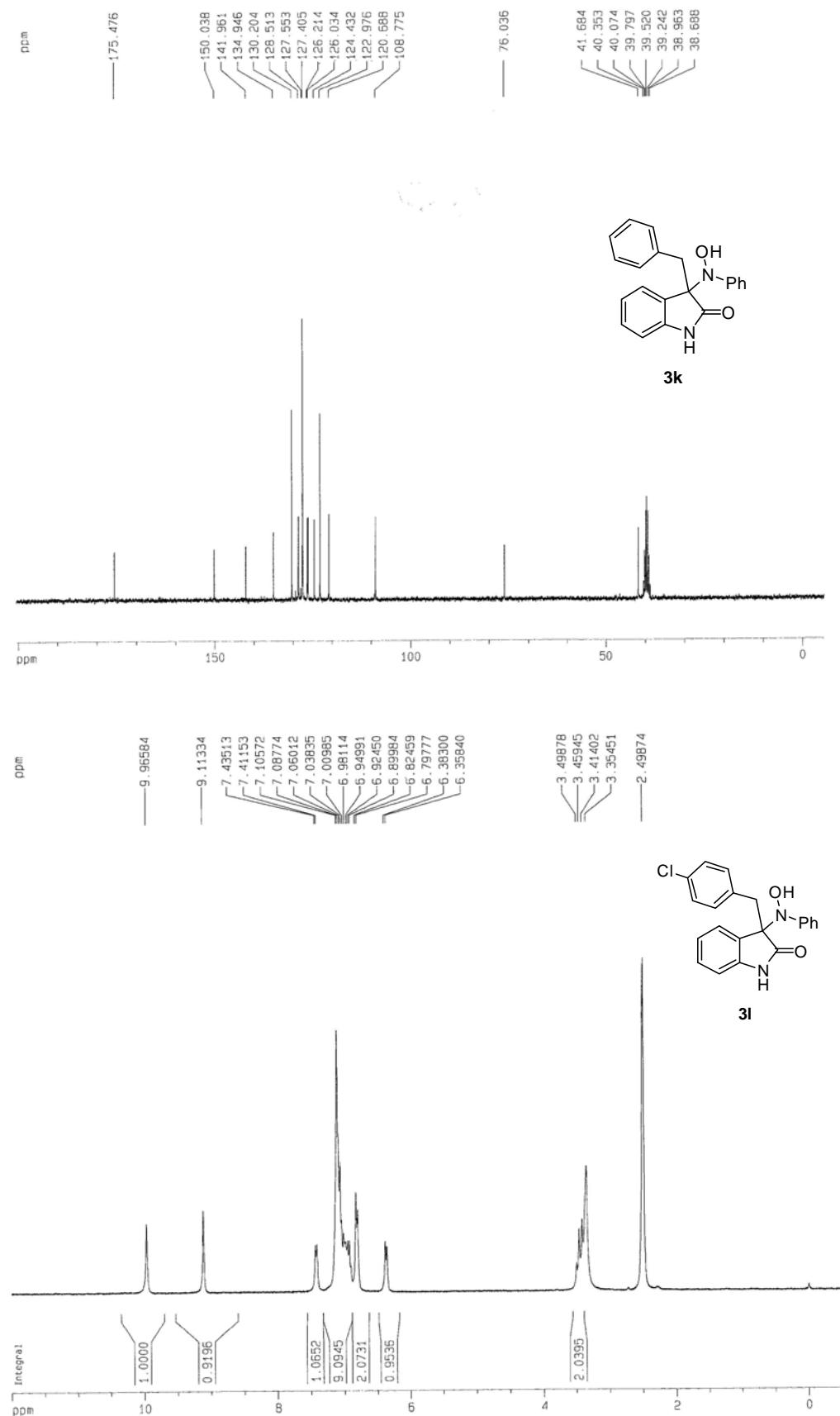


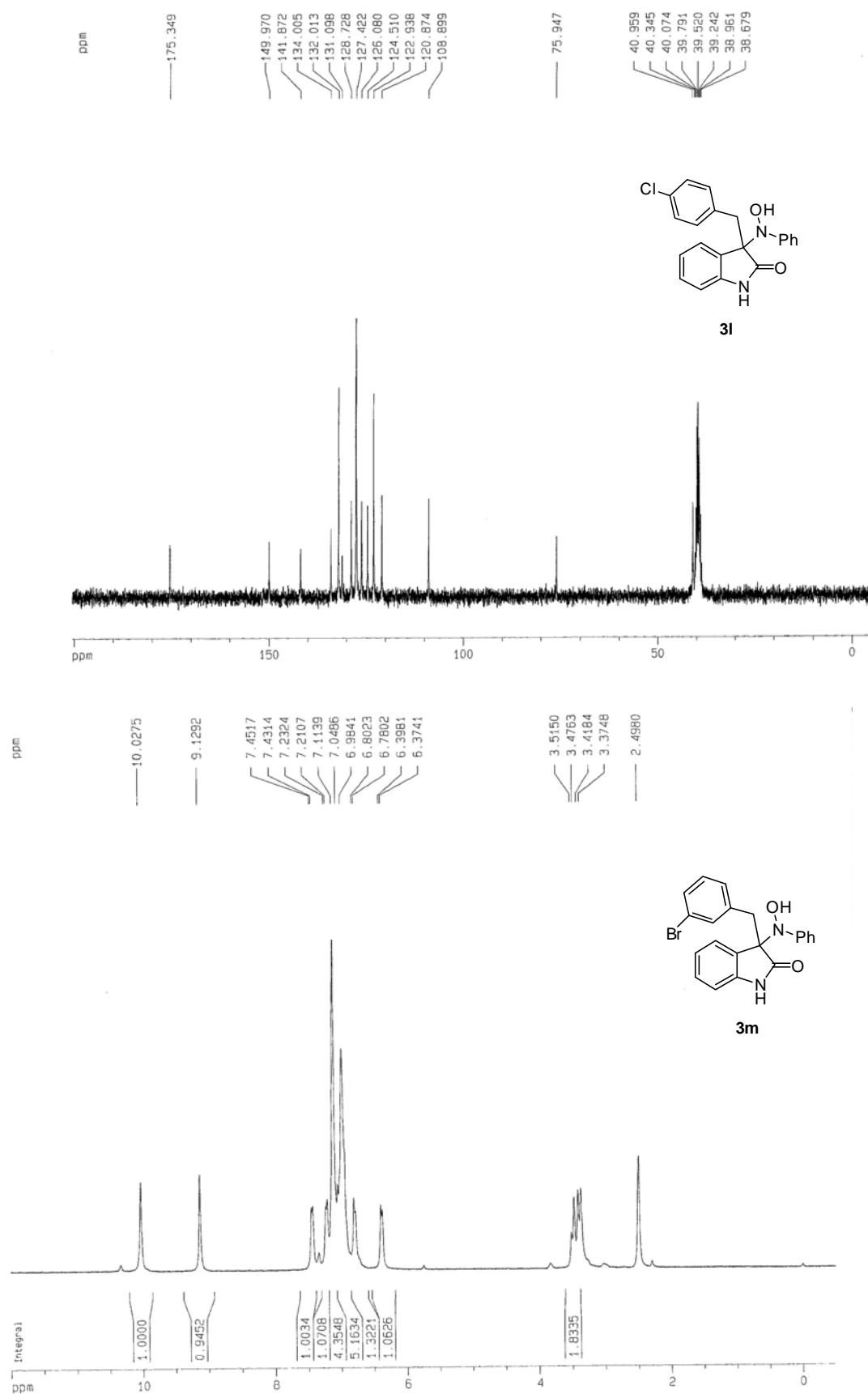


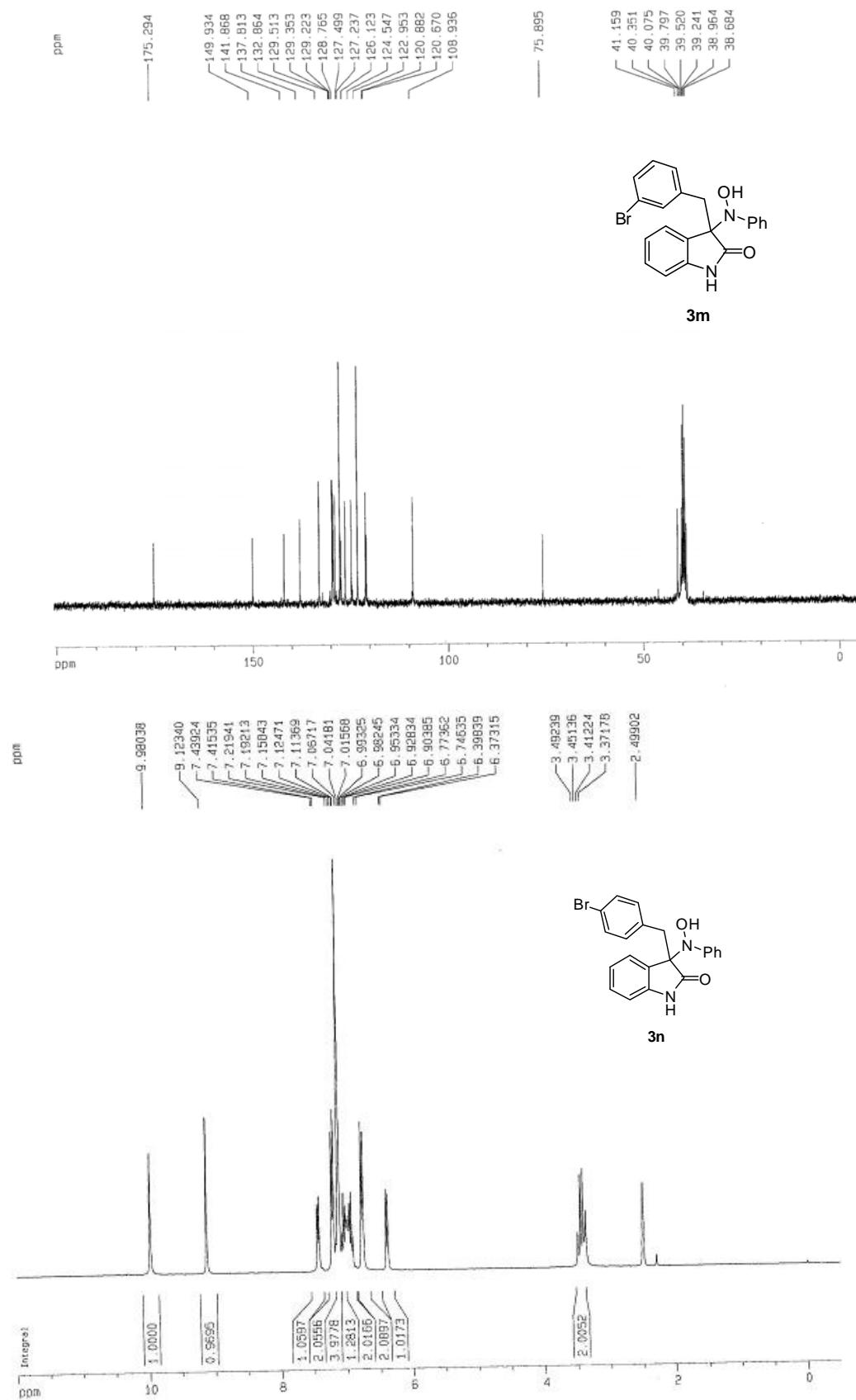


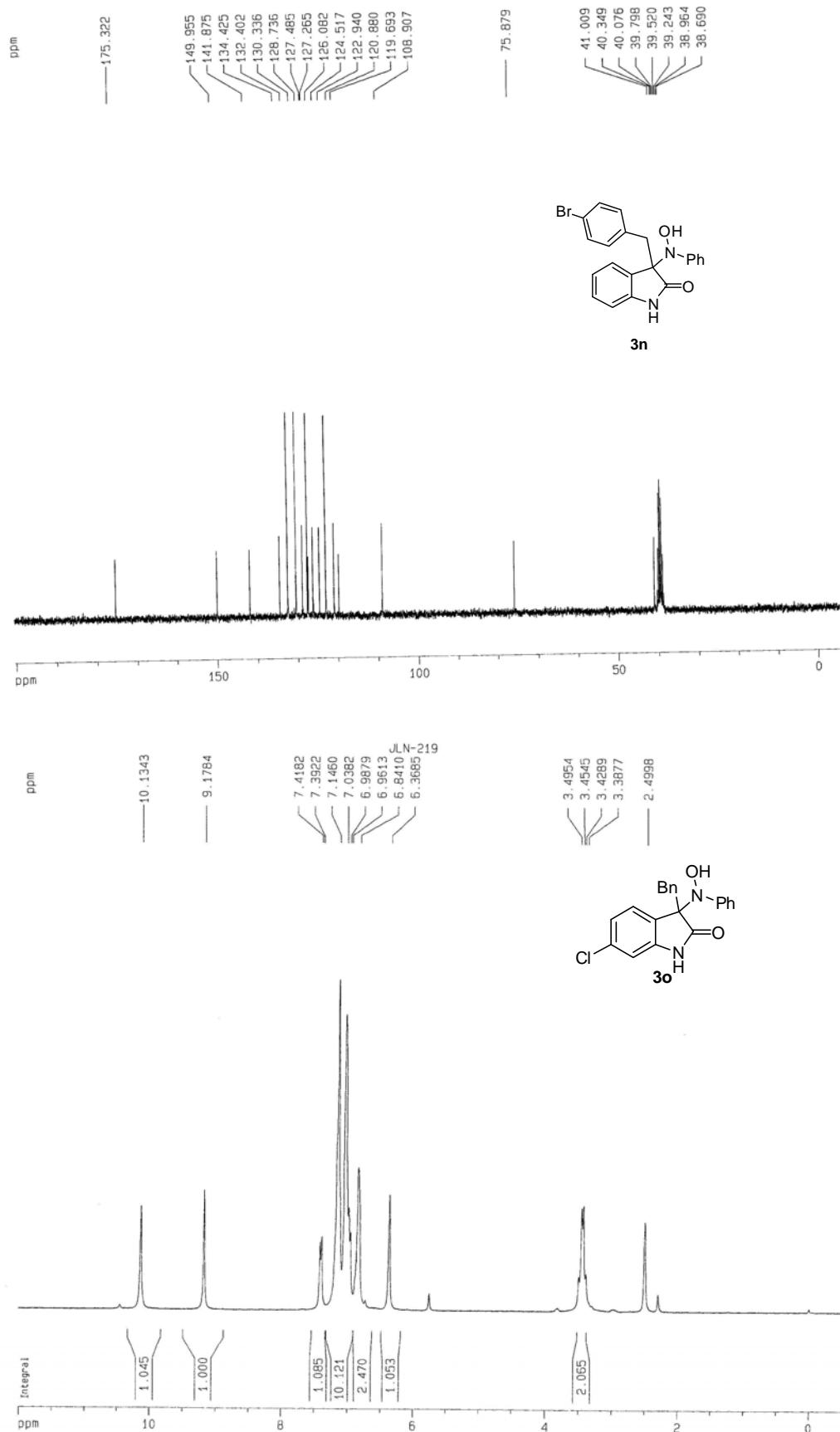


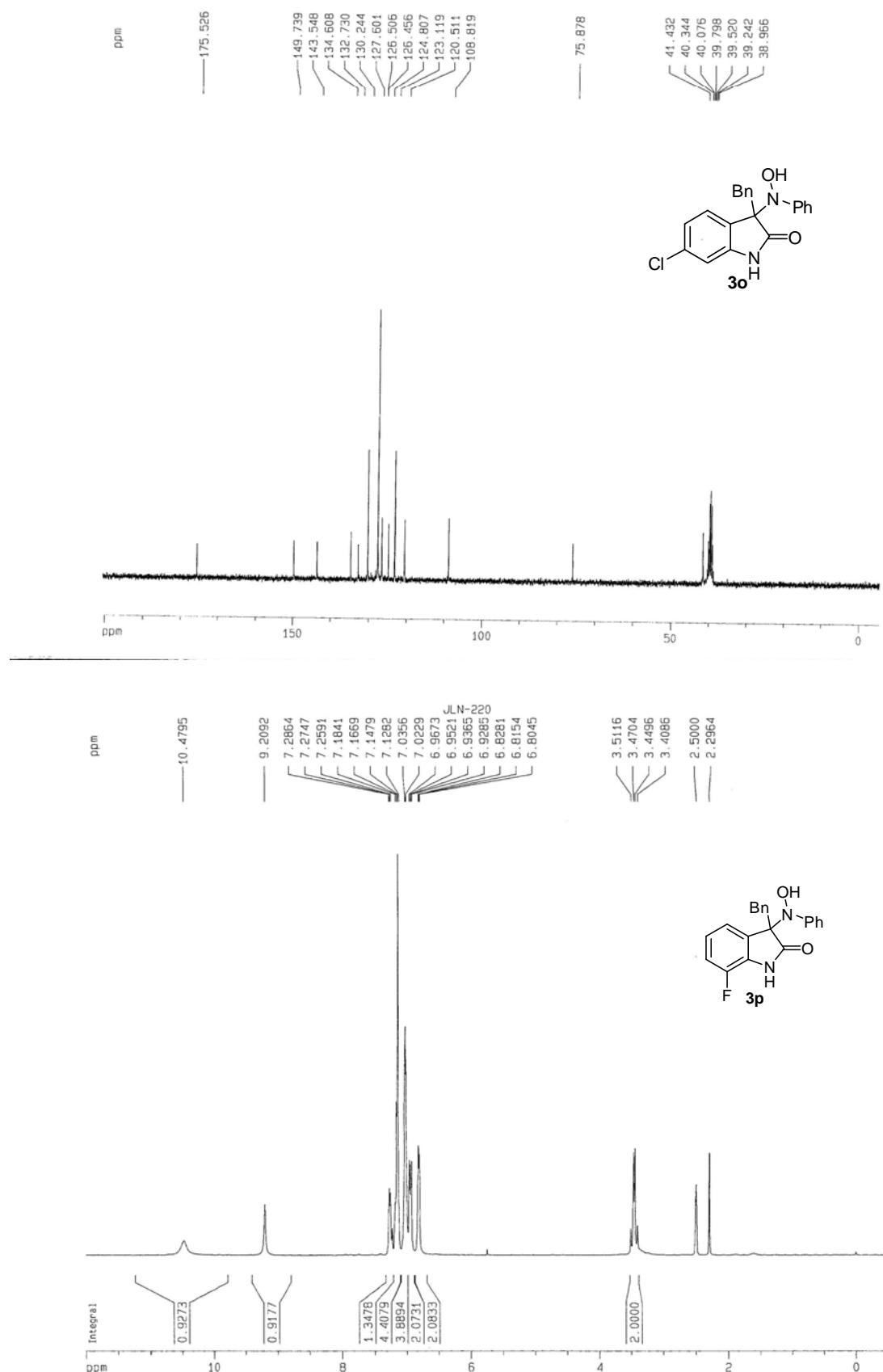


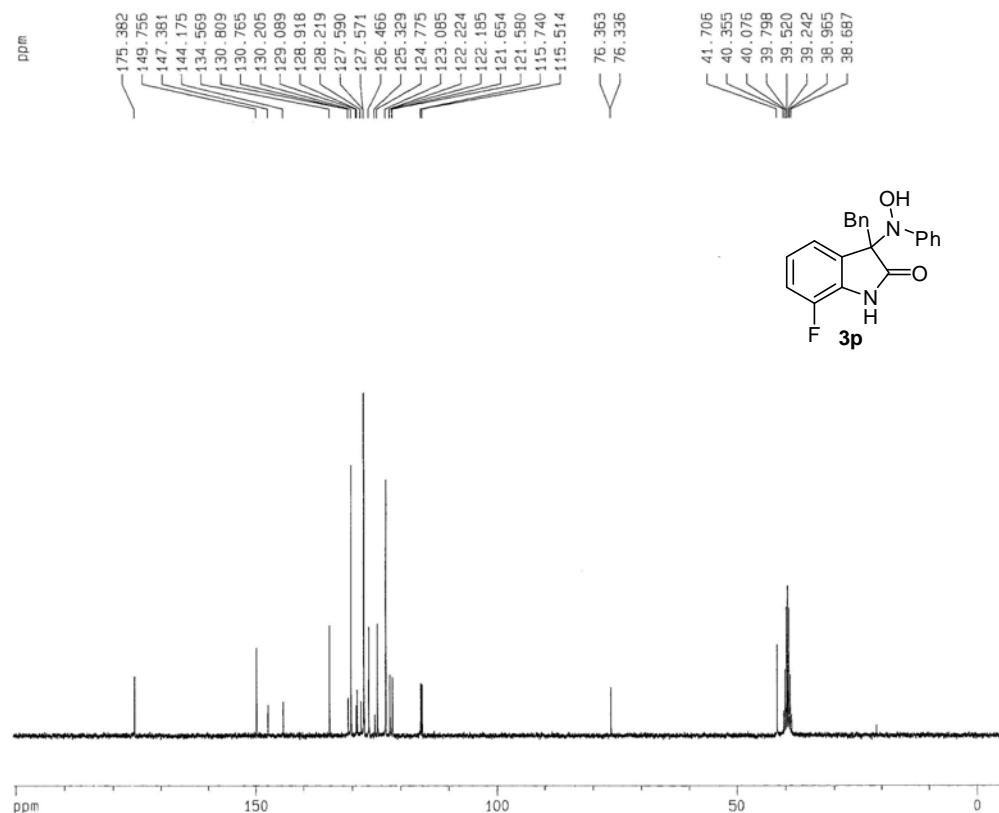




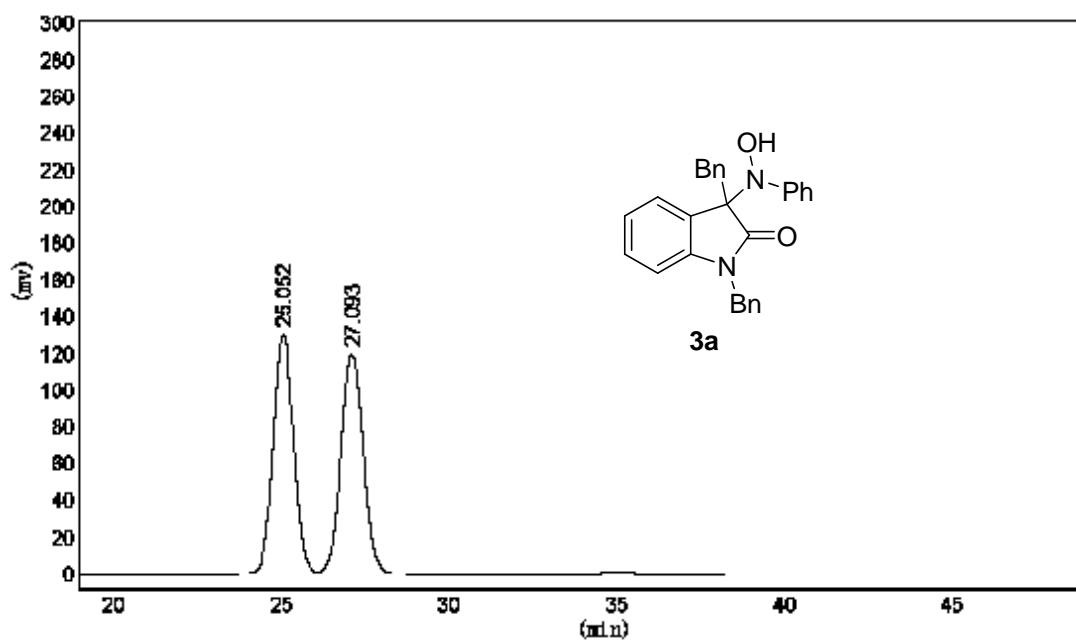




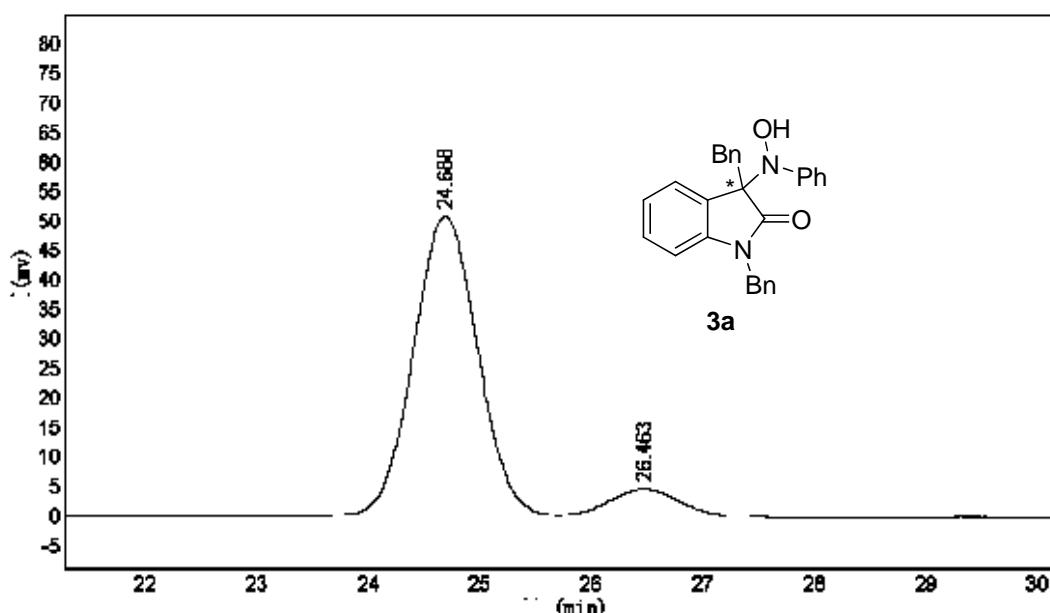




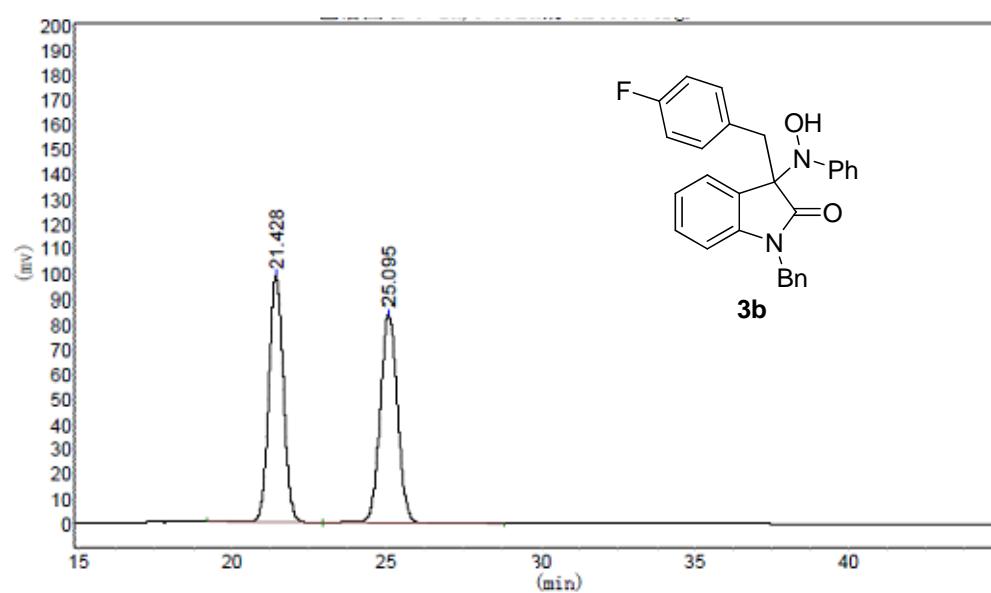
6. HPLC chromatograms



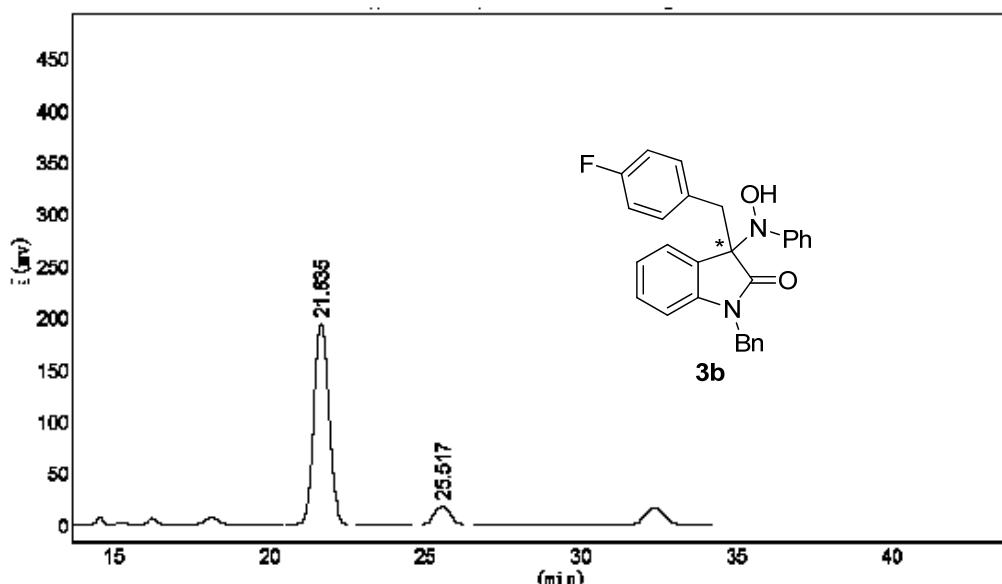
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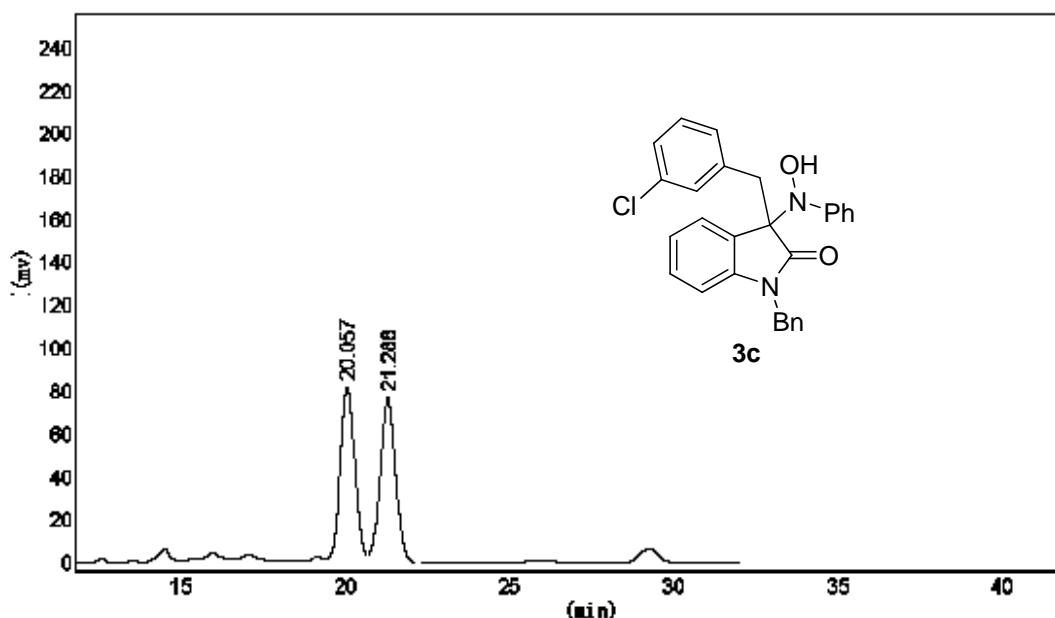
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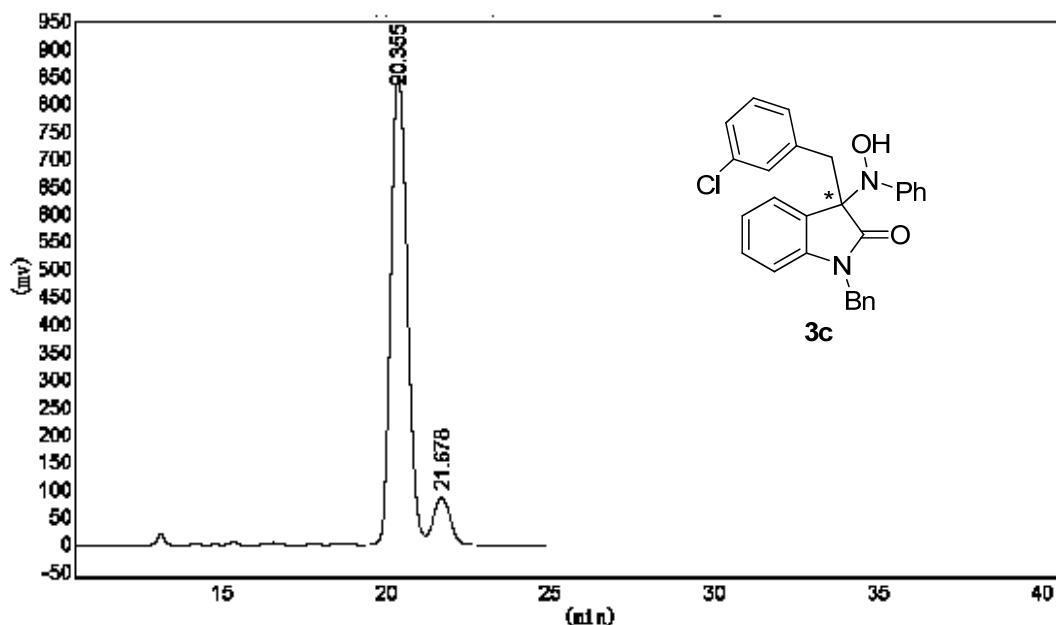
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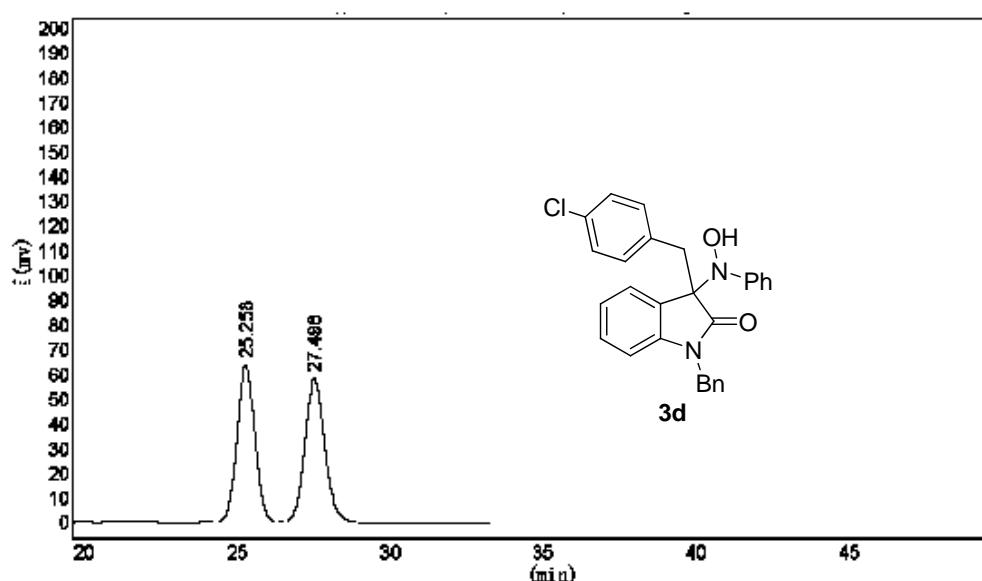


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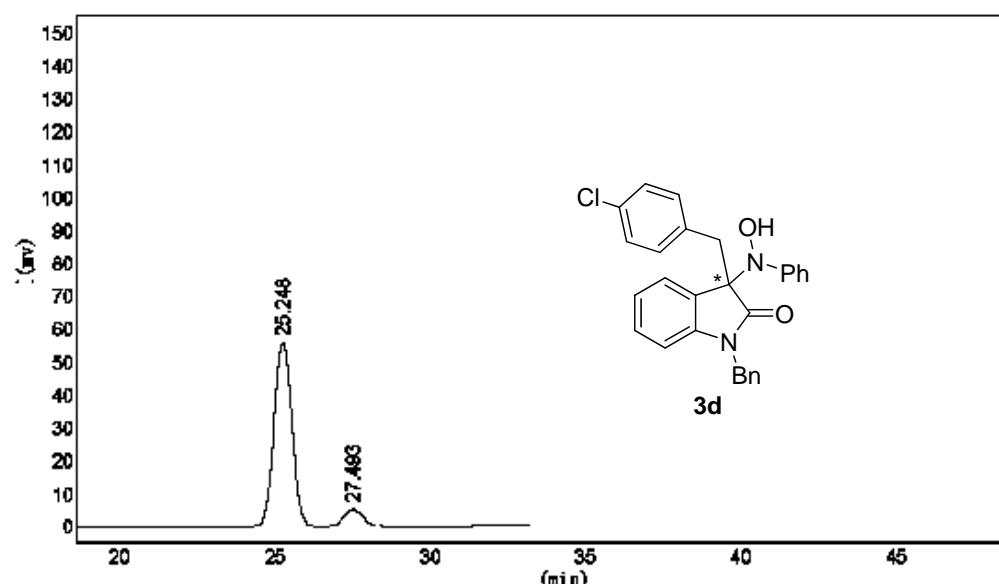
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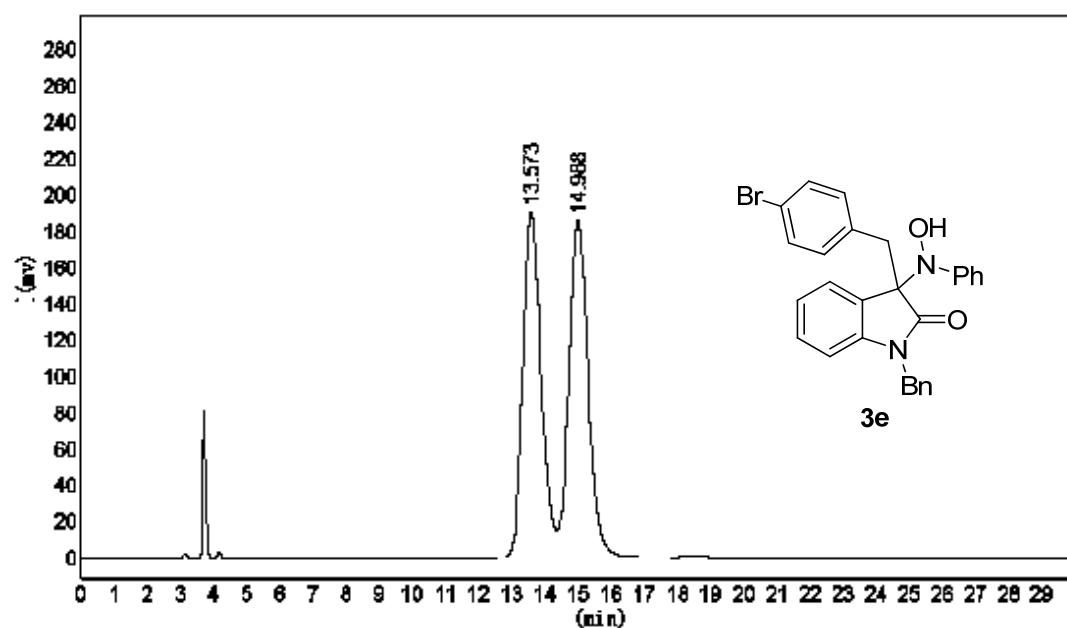


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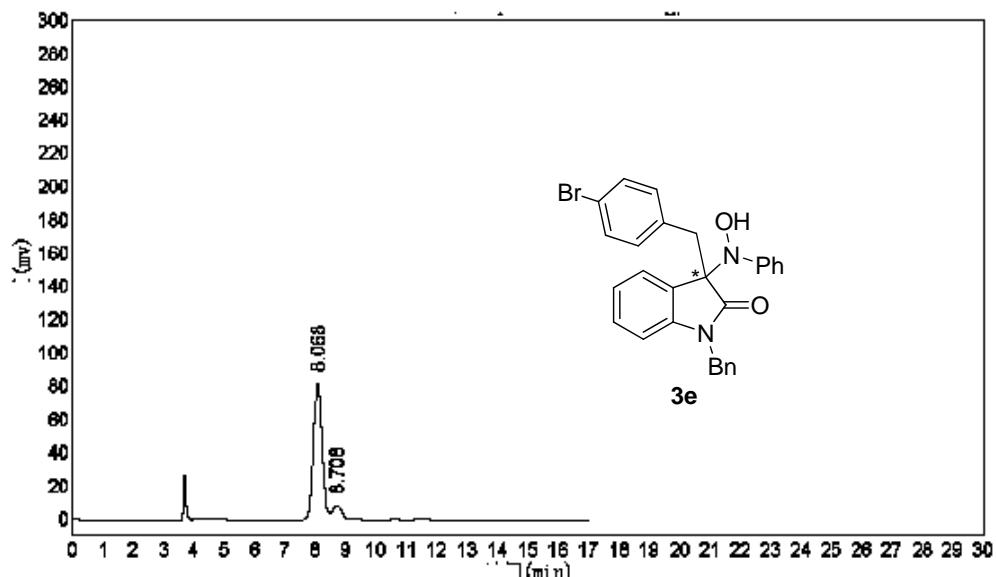
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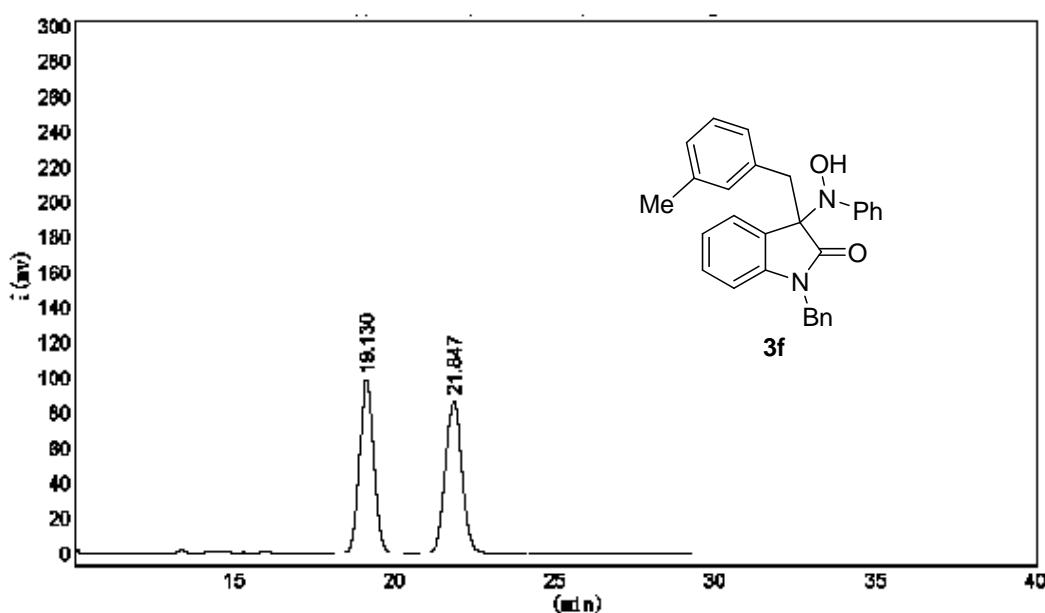
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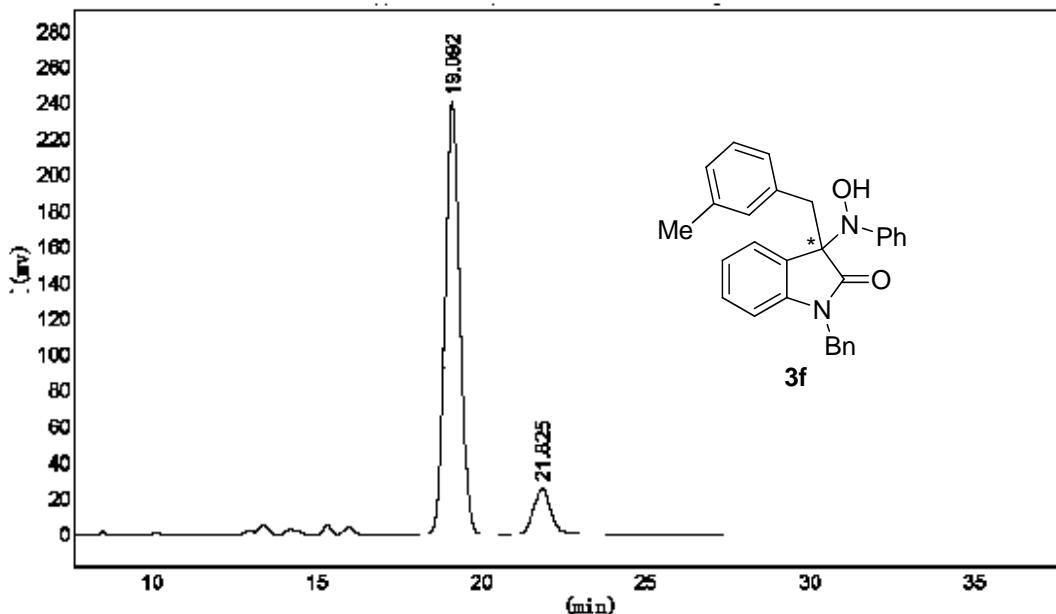
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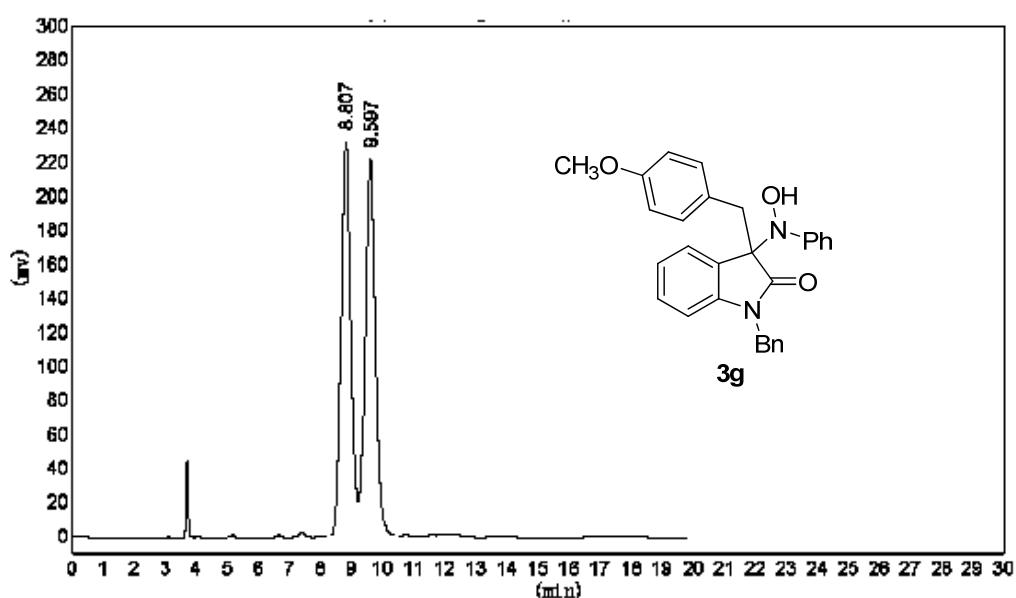
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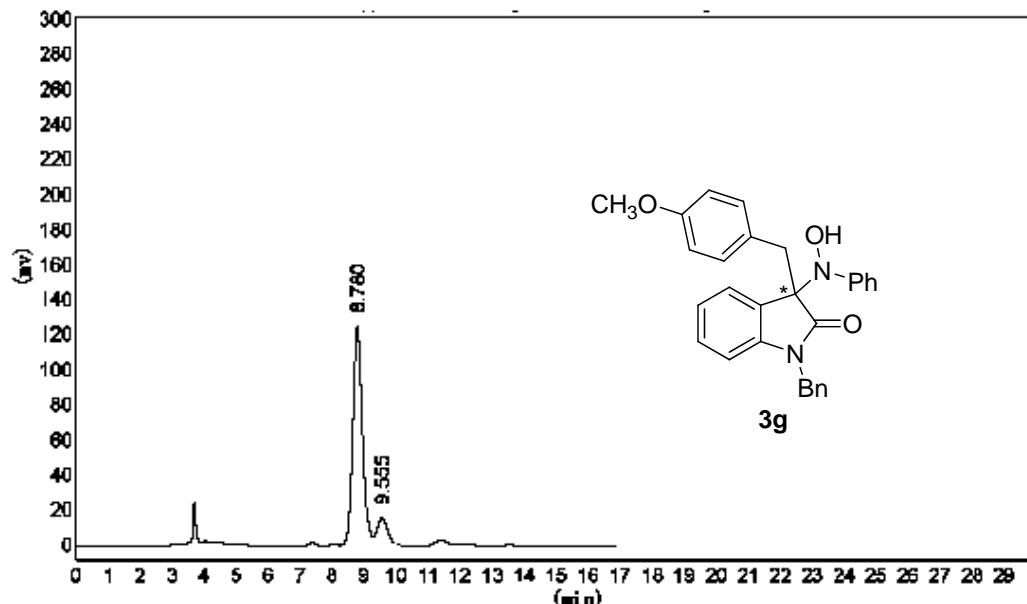
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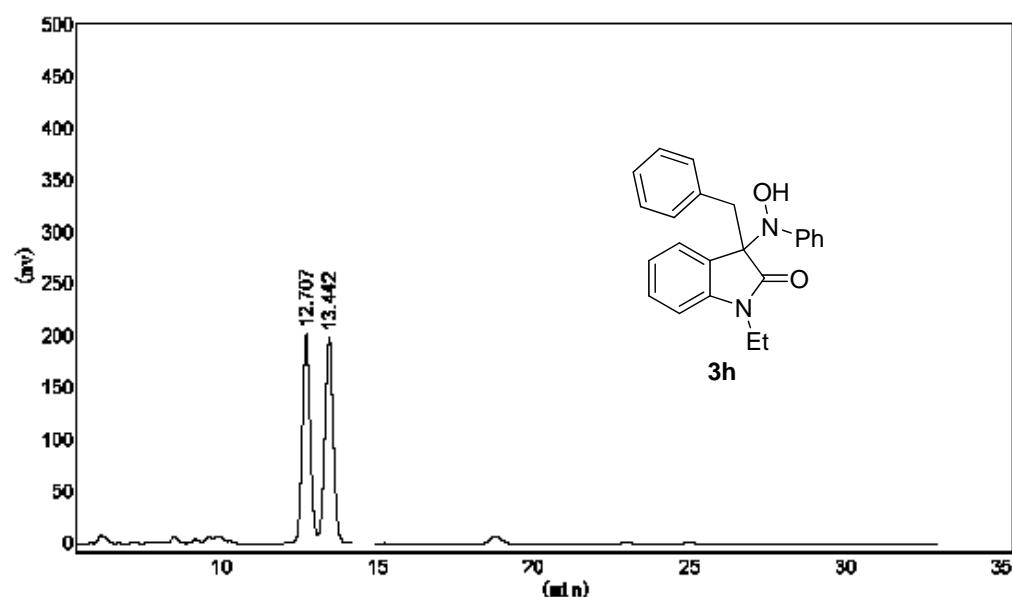
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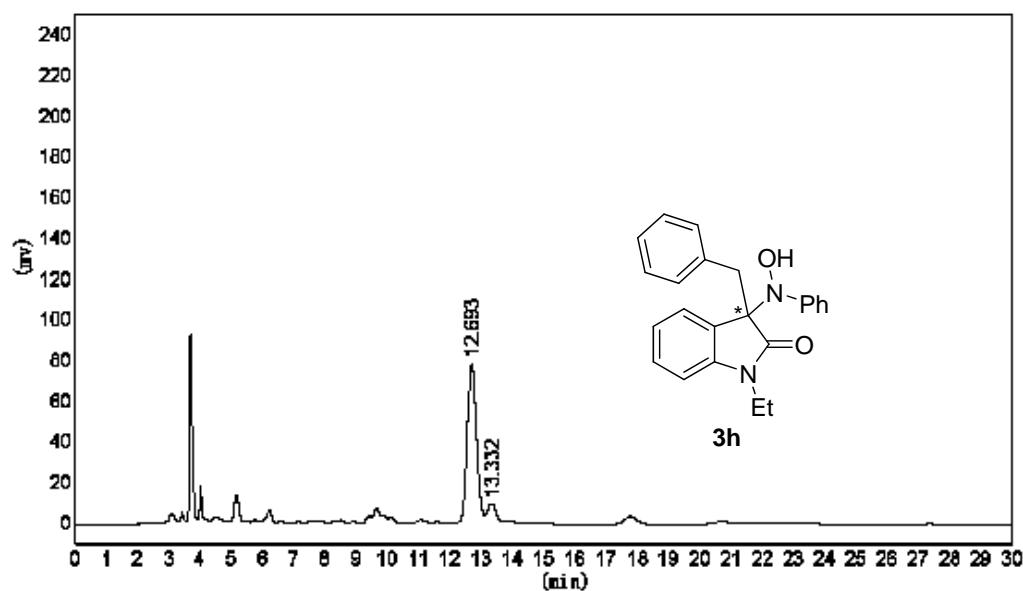
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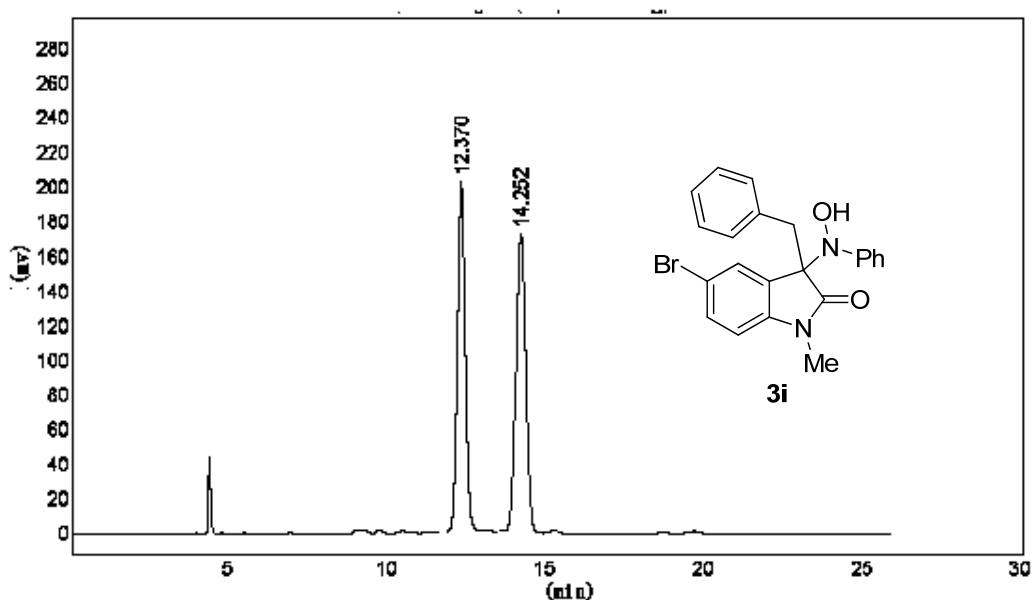
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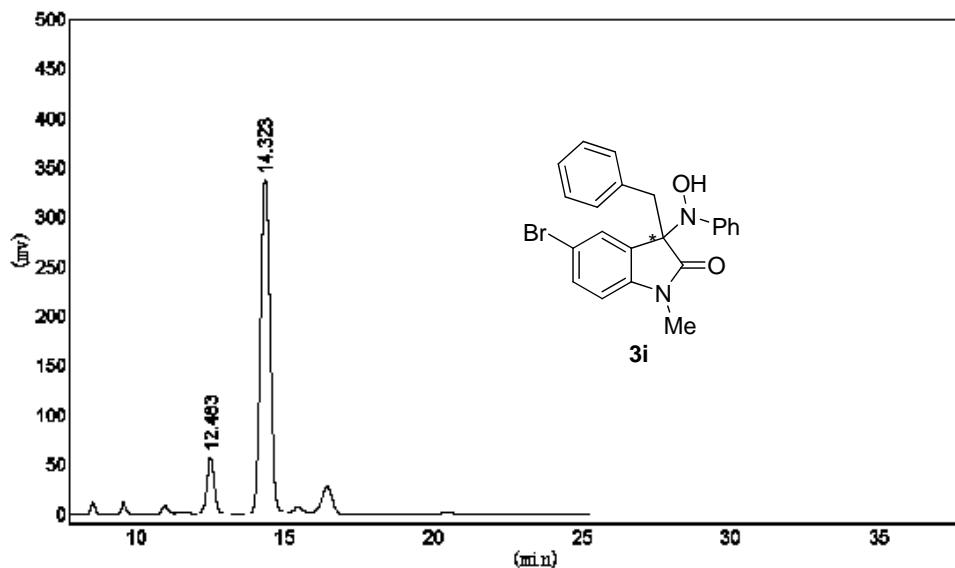
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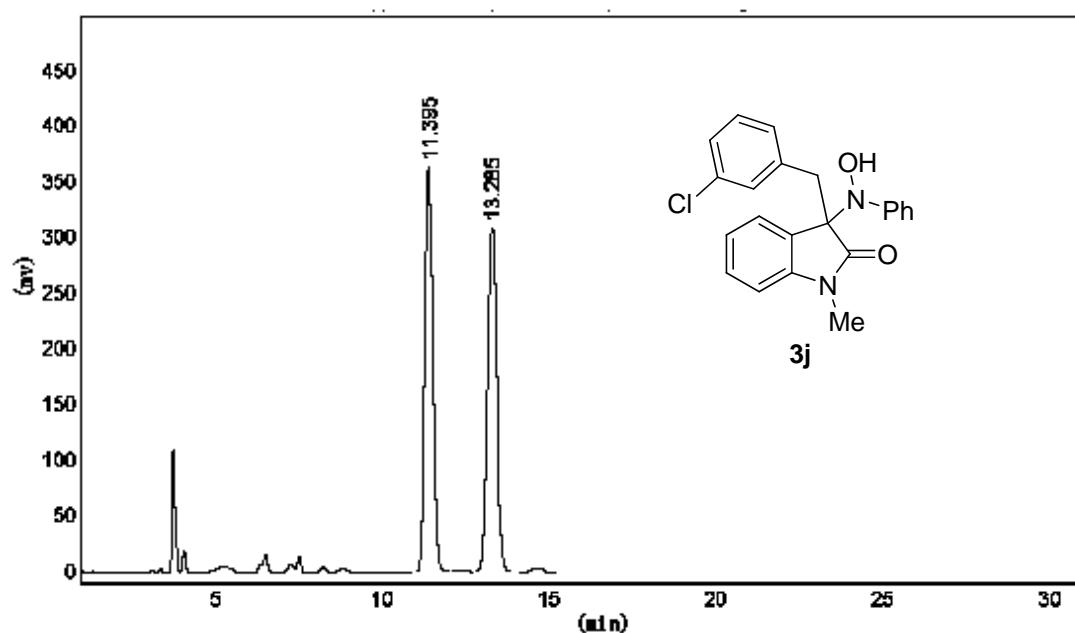
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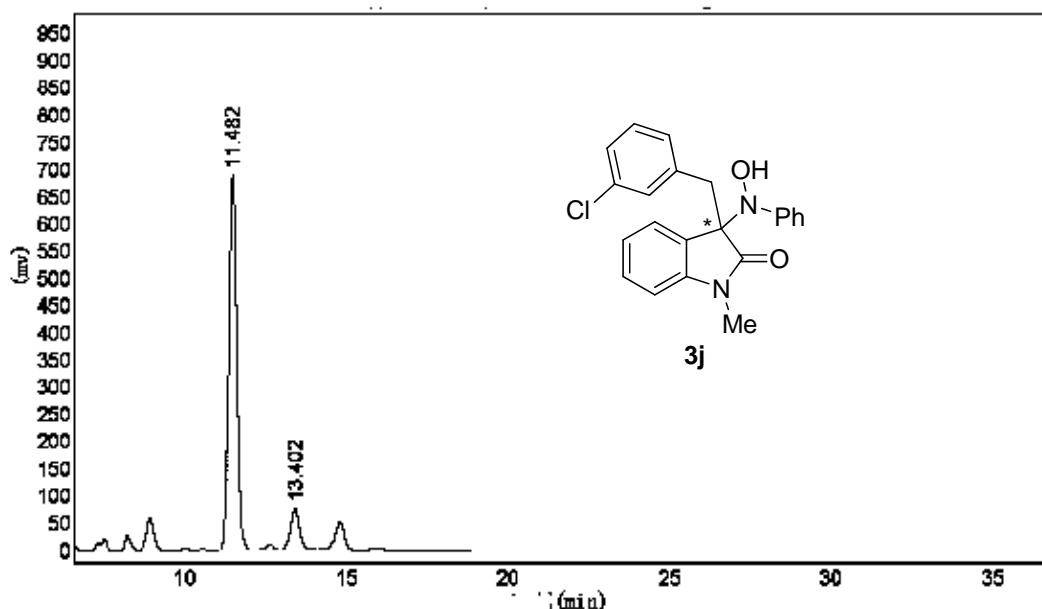
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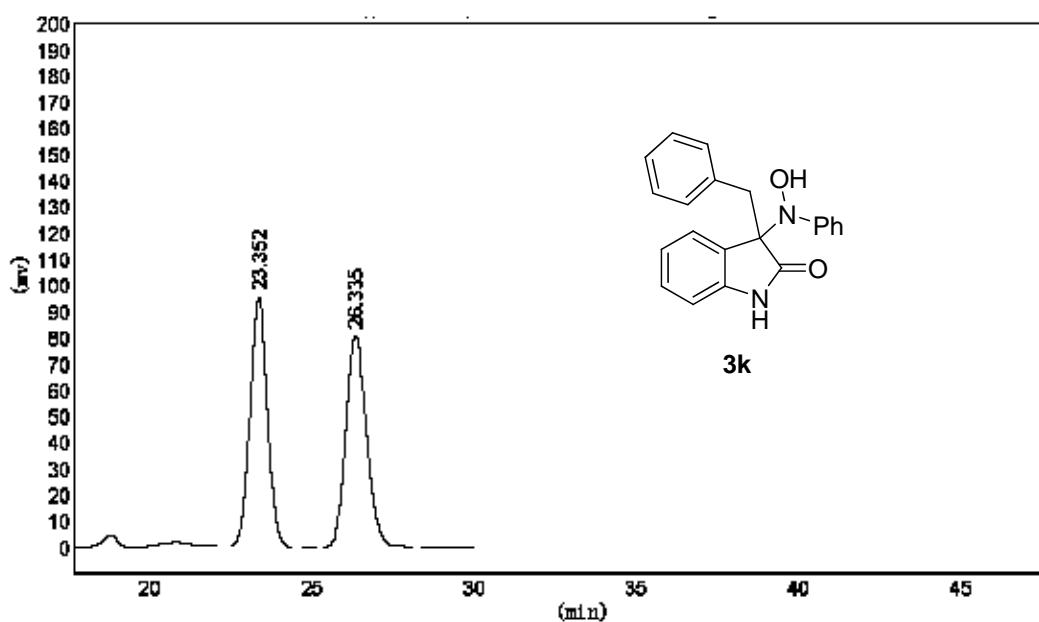
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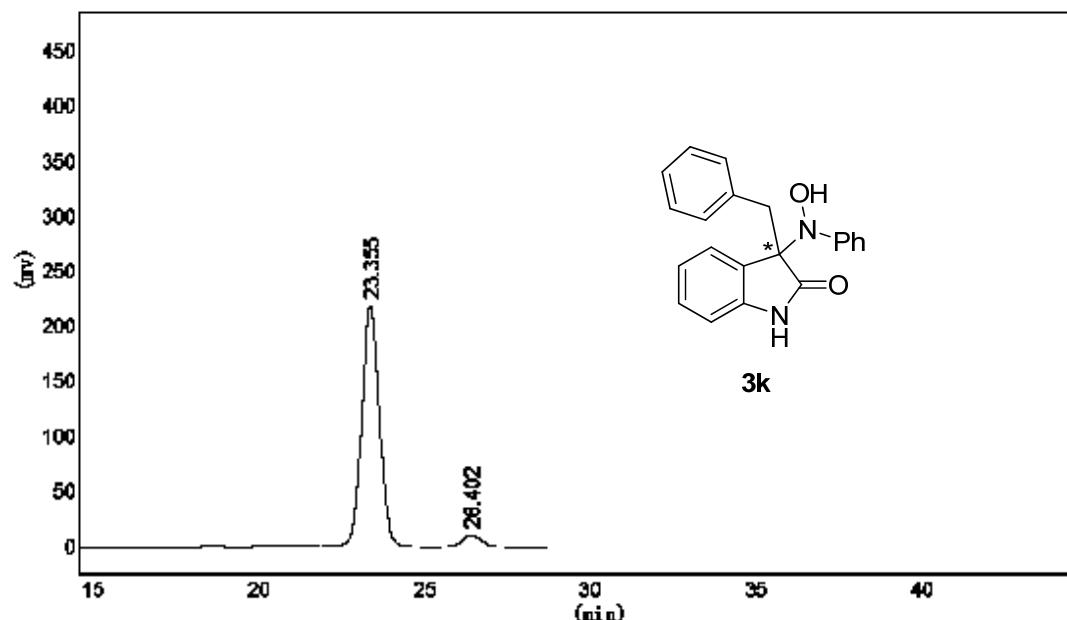
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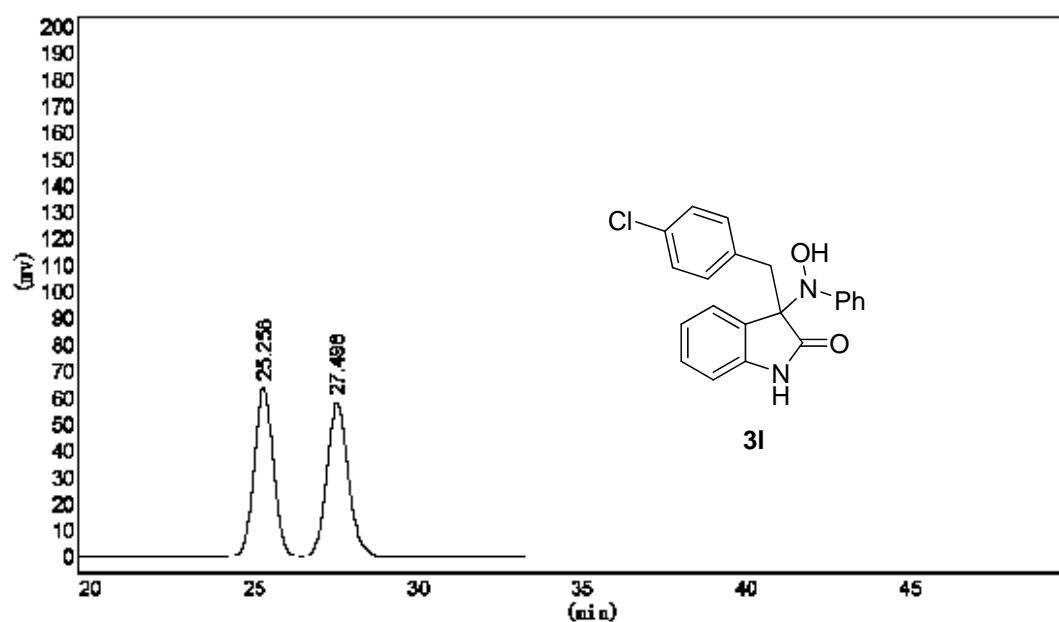


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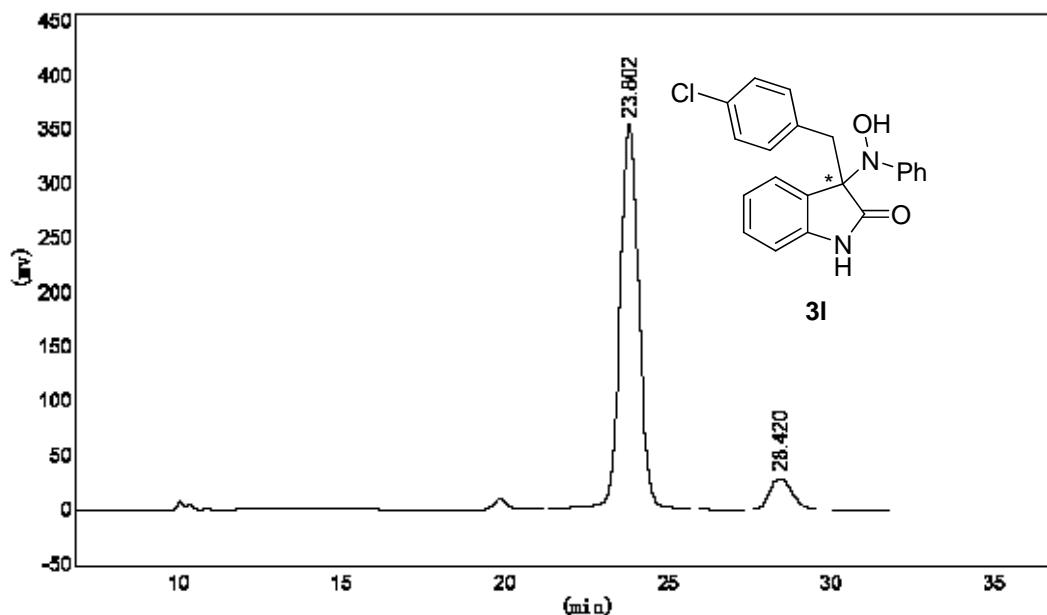
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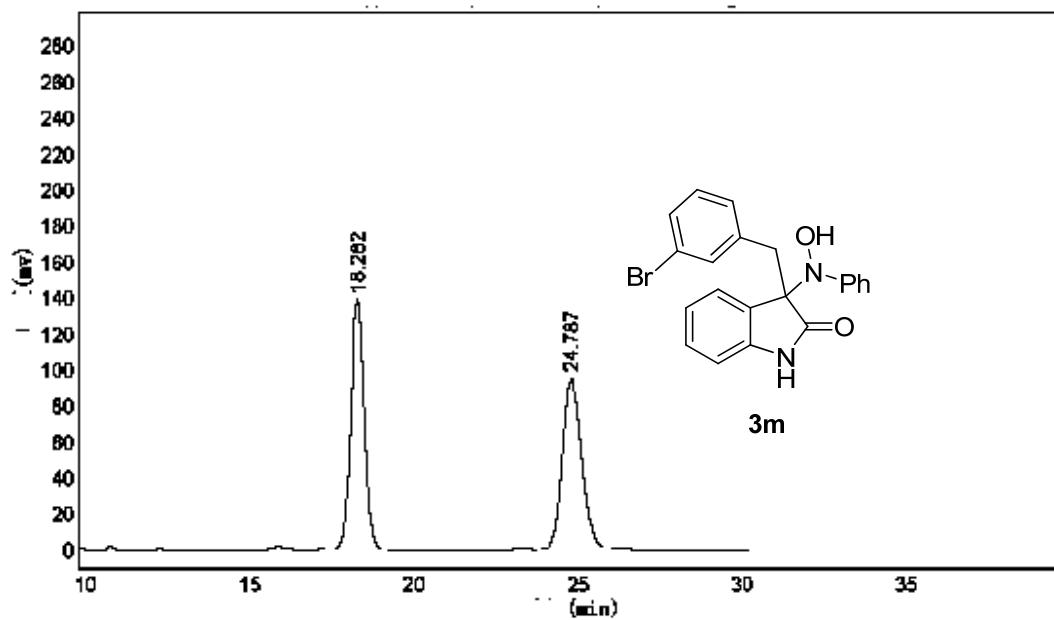
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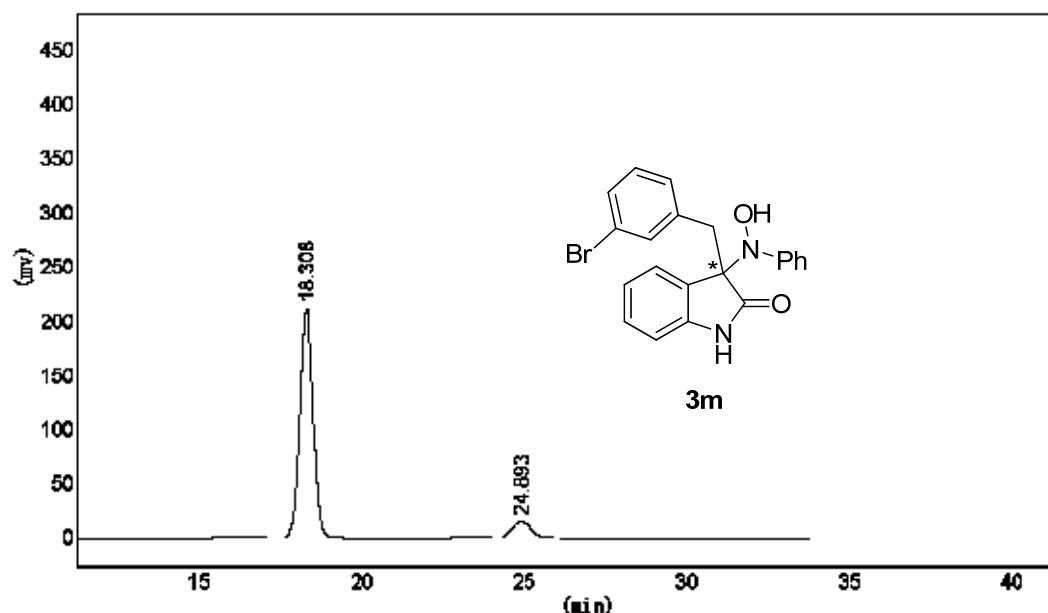
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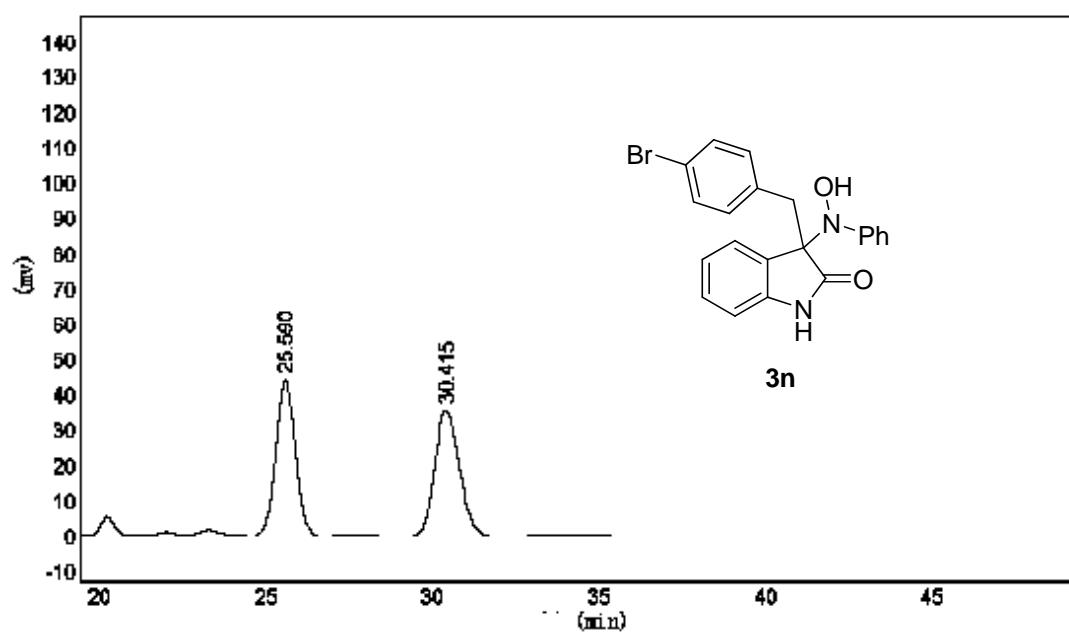
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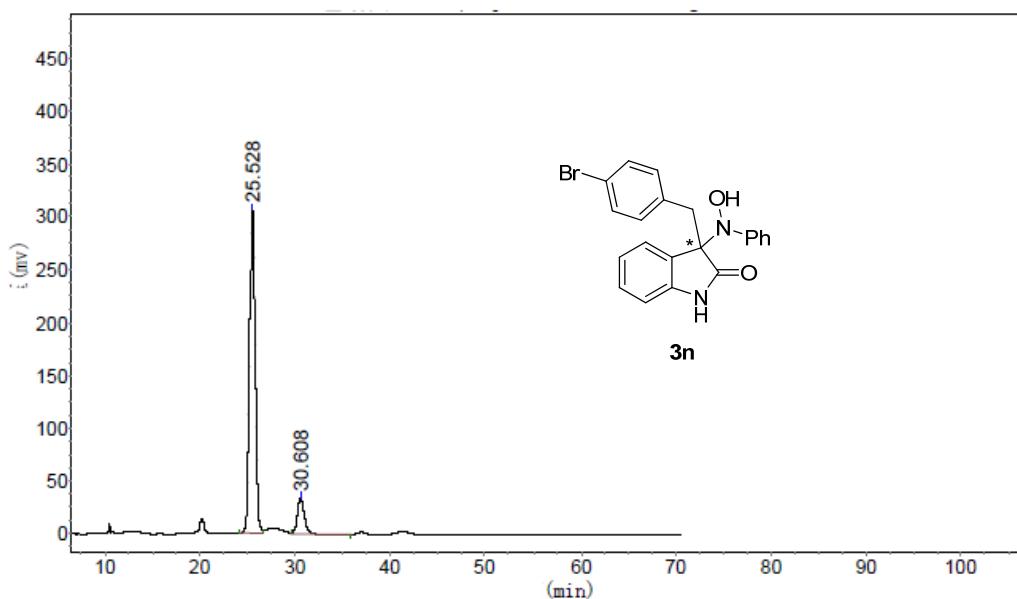
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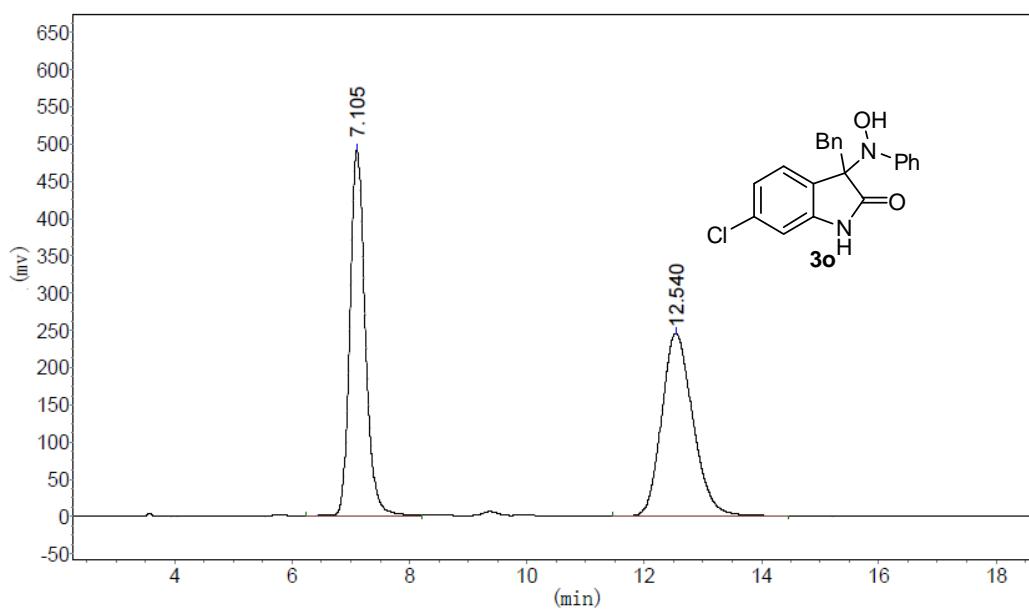
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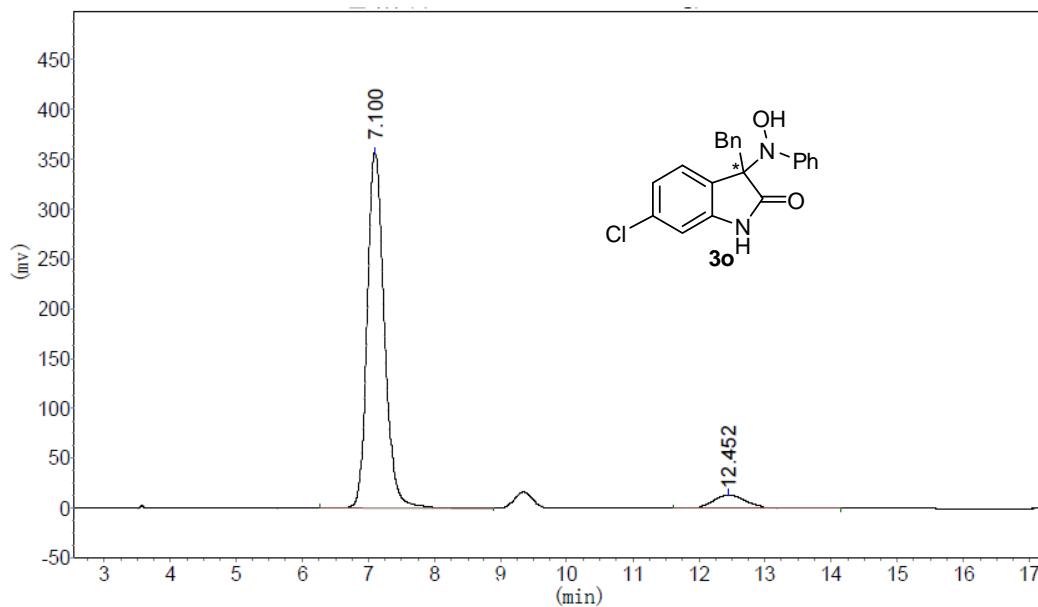
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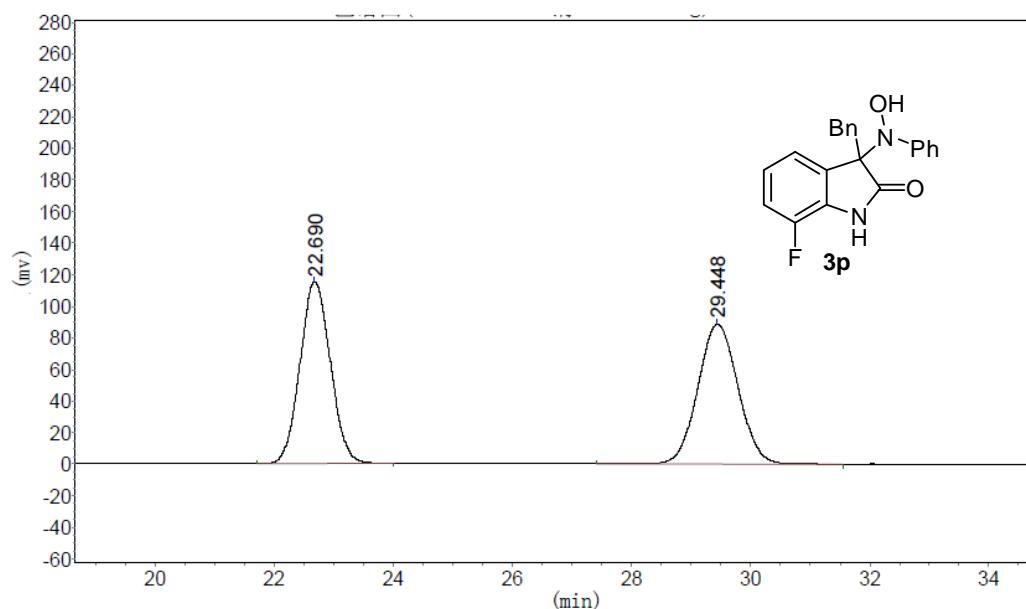
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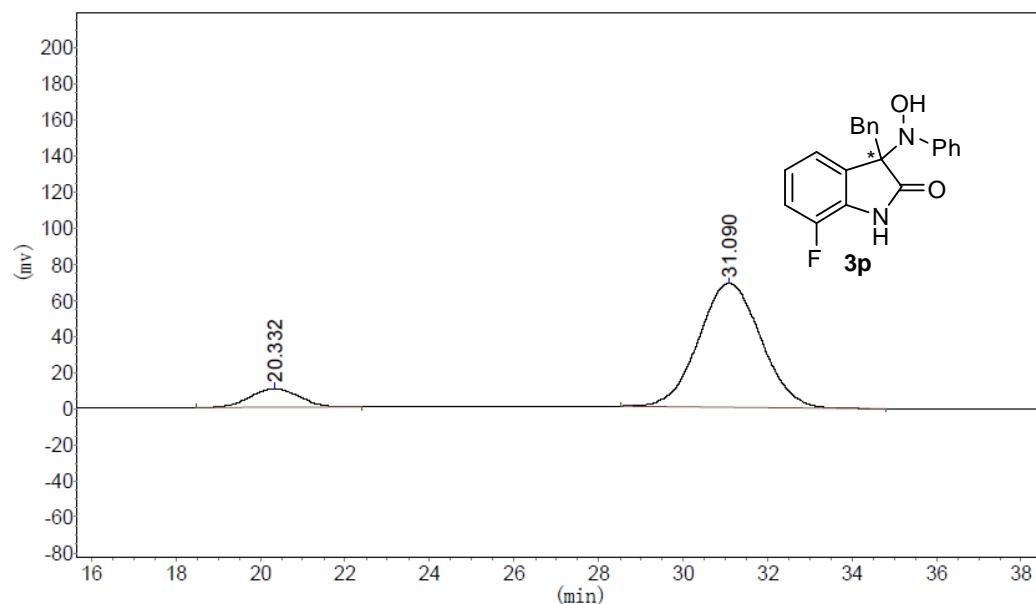
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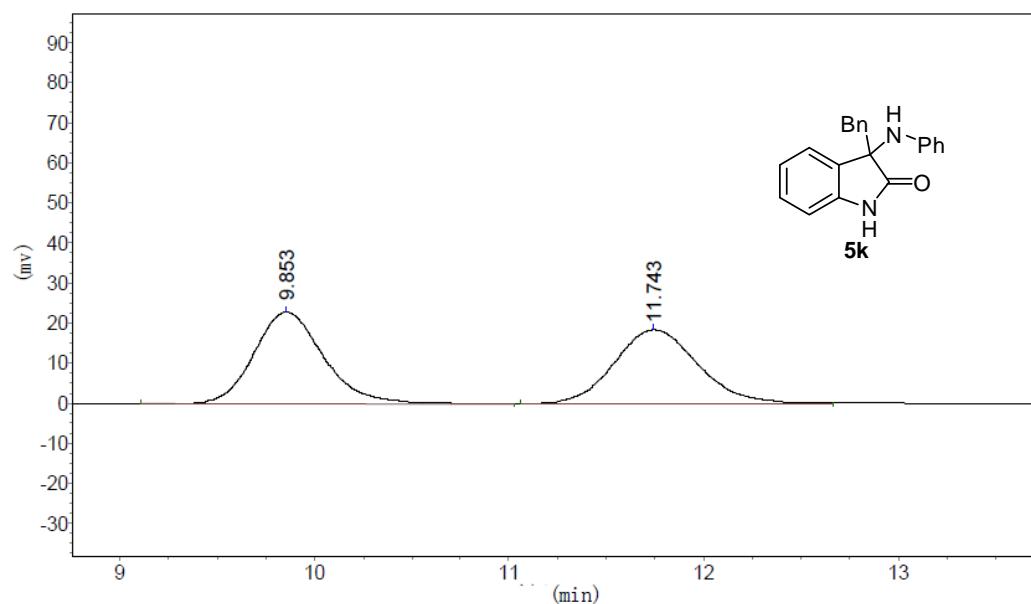
Peak	RT(min)	Height (mV*sec)	Area (mv)	Area (%)
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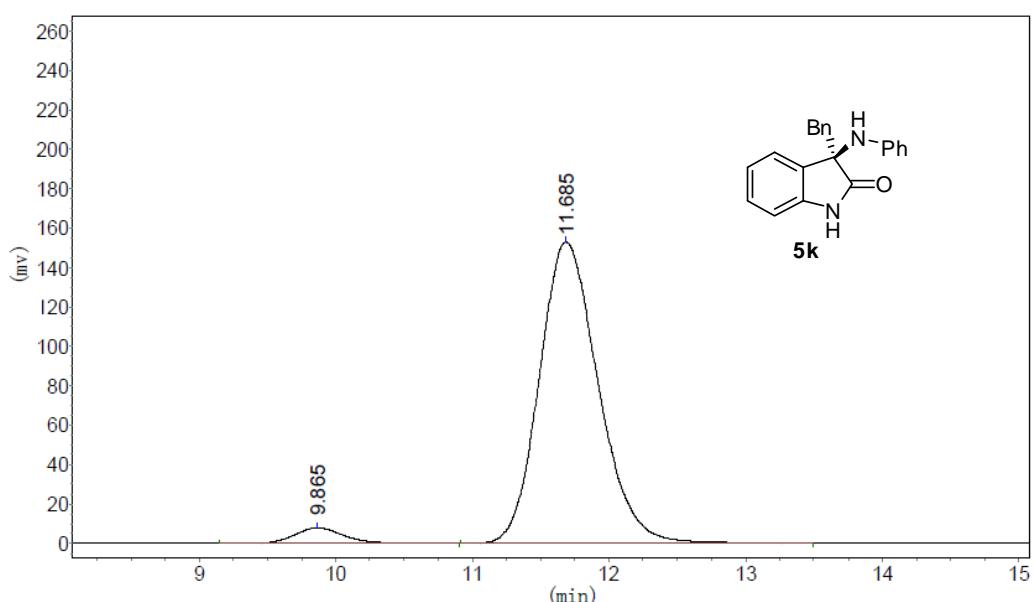
Peak	RT(min)	Height (mV*sec)	Area (mv)	Area (%)
1	22.690	114958.344	4084648.750	49.6990
2	29.448	88170.172	4134124.750	50.3010



Peak	RT(min)	Height (mV*sec)	Area (mv)	Area (%)
1	20.332	10594.243	844779.438	10.8098
2	31.090	68517.234	6970180.000	89.1902



Peak	RT(min)	Height (mV*sec)	Area (mv)	Area (%)
1	9.853	22869.055	568481.063	50.6500
2	11.743	18518.225	553889.813	49.3500



Peak	RT(min)	Height (mV*sec)	Area (mv)	Area (%)
1	9.865	7993.940	200825.875	4.1961
2	11.685	152990.391	4585138.500	95.8039