

Supporting Information

One-pot Sequential Asymmetric Hydrogenation of β -Aryl- β -aryloxy Acroleins†

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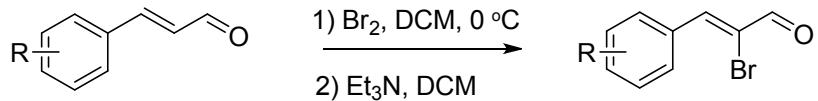
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1. General Details

All reactions were performed in dry glassware or in a glove box under an atmosphere of nitrogen. The workup was carried out in air, unless otherwise noted. Solvents were dried and distilled before use by standard procedures. Commercially available reagents were used without further purification.

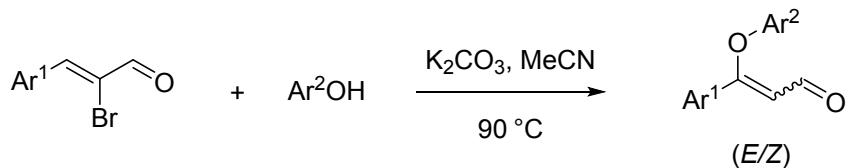
Column chromatography was performed using 100-200 mesh silica gel. Melting points were measured with SGW X-4 micro melting point apparatus. ^1H NMR (400 MHz), ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz), and ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz) spectra were recorded on a Varian MERCURY plus-400 spectrometer with TMS as an internal standard. HRMS was performed on a Waters Micromass Q-TOF Premier Mass Spectrometer at the Analysis Center of Shanghai Jiao Tong University. Optical rotations were measured on a Rudolph Research Analytical Autopol VI automatic polarimeter using a 50 mm path-length cell at 589 nm. IR was measured with PerkinElmer Spectrum 100 FT-IR Spectrometer. Enantioselectivity was measured by high performance liquid chromatography (HPLC) using Daicel Chiralcel OD-H or OJ-H columns with hexane/2-propanol as eluent.

2. Synthesis of β -Aryl- β -aryloxy Acroleins



General procedure:^[1]

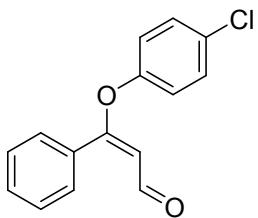
To a solution of cinnamaldehyde (20.0 g, 151 mmol) in DCM (200 mL) was added Br_2 (9.4 mL, 183 mmol, 1.2 equiv.) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 15 min, followed by the addition of Et_3N (36.0 mL, 258 mmol, 1.7 equiv.). After stirring for an additional 15 min, the reaction mixture was diluted with DCM and washed sequentially with a 10% NaHSO_3 solution, H_2O , and brine. The organic layer was separated and dried over anhydrous Na_2SO_4 , filtered, and concentrated to yield orange oil. After keeping for 3 days at room temperature, the mixture crystallized completely as a bright yellow solid which was confirmed to be the desired *Z*- α -bromocinnamaldehyde (31.3 g, 98% yield).



General procedure:^[2]

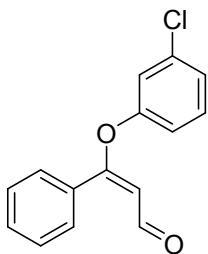
A mixture of *Z*- α -bromocinnamaldehyde (20.0 mmol), phenol (20.0 mmol), K_2CO_3 (50.0 mmol) and MeCN (20 mL) were stirred at 90 °C for 5–8 h. The mixture was cooled to RT and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was washed with brine and extracted with EtOAc (3×20 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous MgSO_4 , filtered and concentrated to give brownish black oil (*E/Z* = 1/1, 90% yield). The crude material was purified by flash chromatography (80/1 PE/ EtOAc) to afford the *E*-isomer (20–45% yield).

(E)-3-(4-chlorophenoxy)-3-phenylacrylaldehyde (1a)



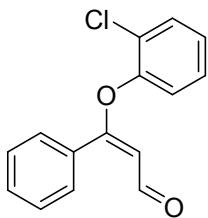
White solid, mp 92–94 °C; Yield: 45%; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 10.08 (1H, d, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.57–7.55 (2H, m), 7.45–7.34 (3H, m), 7.22 (2H, d, J = 8.8 Hz), 6.92 (2H, d, J = 8.8 Hz), 6.26 (1H, d, J = 8.0 Hz); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 190.4, 166.7, 155.6, 132.3, 131.6, 129.9, 129.1, 128.4, 127.4, 118.1, 116.7; HRMS (ESI-MS) Calcd. For $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{12}\text{ClO}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 259.0520, Found: 259.0530; IR (ν/cm^{-1}): 1668, 1623, 1590, 1485, 1448, 1388, 1320, 1302, 1281, 1212, 1164, 1139, 1091, 1010, 828, 771, 711, 692.

(E)-3-(3-chlorophenoxy)-3-phenylacrylaldehyde (1b)



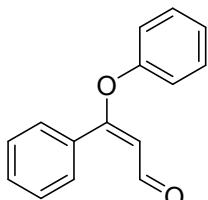
Light yellow liquid; Yield: 46%; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 10.06 (1H, d, J = 8.0 Hz), 7.59–7.57 (2H, m), 7.44–7.38 (3H, m), 7.18–7.16 (1H, t, J = 8.0 Hz), 7.03–7.01 (2H, m), 6.87–6.85 (1H, m), 6.29 (1H, d, J = 7.6 Hz); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 190.4, 166.3, 157.7, 135.4, 132.2, 131.7, 130.7, 129.1, 127.3, 123.5, 117.3, 116.8, 114.9; HRMS (ESI-MS) Calcd. For $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{12}\text{ClO}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 259.0520, Found: 259.0518; IR (ν/cm^{-1}): 1671, 1623, 1588, 1473, 1491, 1448, 1430, 1388, 1320, 1304, 1279, 1212, 1138, 1071, 895, 776, 717, 689.

(E)-3-(2-chlorophenoxy)-3-phenylacrylaldehyde (1c)



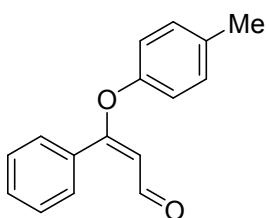
White solid, mp 95–97 °C; Yield: 40%; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 10.1 (1H, d, $J = 7.6$ Hz), 7.59 (2H, d, $J = 6.8$ Hz), 7.44–7.37 (4H, m), 7.07–6.98 (2H, m), 6.81–6.78 (1H, m), 6.27 (1H, d, $J = 7.6$ Hz); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 190.5, 167.0, 152.5, 132.2, 131.6, 130.8, 129.1, 127.9, 127.3, 124.3, 123.4, 117.6, 116.6; HRMS (ESI-MS) Calcd. For $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{12}\text{ClO}_2$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 259.0520, Found: 259.0526; IR (ν/cm^{-1}): 1669, 1624, 1583, 1476, 1446, 1319, 1265, 1226, 1137, 1061, 1035, 1010, 770, 752, 721, 695.

(E)-3-phenoxy-3-phenylacrylaldehyde (1d)^[3]



Light yellow liquid; Yield: 42%; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 10.12 (1H, d, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 7.63 (2H, d, $J = 7.6$ Hz), 7.44–7.37 (3H, m), 7.31–7.27 (2H, m), 7.07–7.01 (3H, m), 6.29 (1H, d, $J = 7.6$ Hz).

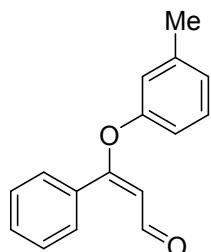
(E)-3-phenyl-3-(p-tolyloxy)acrylaldehyde (1e)



White solid, mp 82–83 °C; Yield: 40%; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 10.08 (1H, d, $J = 7.6$ Hz), 7.60–7.58 (2H, m), 7.41–7.35 (3H, m), 7.05 (2H, d, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 6.87

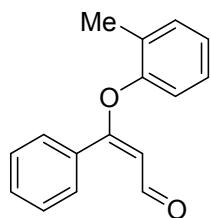
(2H, d, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 6.22 (1H, d, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 2.25 (3H, s); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 190.9, 167.5, 155.0, 132.9, 132.7, 131.3, 130.3, 128.9, 127.5, 116.7, 116.4, 20.5; HRMS (ESI-MS) Calcd. For $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{15}\text{O}_2$ [M+H] $^+$ 239.1067, Found: 239.1060; IR (ν/cm^{-1}): 2849, 1667, 1622, 1607, 1558, 1505, 1448, 1321, 1302, 1233, 1169, 1140, 1034, 1015, 828, 737, 691.

(E)-3-phenyl-3-(m-tolyloxy)acrylaldehyde (1f)



Yellow liquid; Yield: 45%; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 10.05 (1H, d, $J = 7.6$ Hz), 7.58 (2H, d, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 7.41–7.32 (3H, m), 7.13–7.09 (1H, m), 6.83–6.81 (2H, m), 6.74 (1H, d, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 6.24 (1H, d, $J = 7.6$ Hz), 2.27 (3H, s); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 190.9, 167.2, 157.3, 140.2, 132.9, 131.3, 129.6, 128.9, 127.4, 124.0, 117.4, 116.5, 113.8, 21.4; HRMS (ESI-MS) Calcd. For $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{15}\text{O}_2$ [M+H] $^+$ 239.1067, Found: 239.1063; IR (ν/cm^{-1}): 2848, 1668, 1607, 1586, 1488, 1448, 1386, 1321, 1138, 1037, 1021, 998, 849, 775, 693.

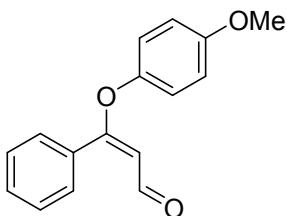
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White solid, mp 114–115 °C; Yield: 38%; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 10.01 (1H, d, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 7.54–7.52 (2H, m), 7.42–7.21 (3H, m), 7.20 (1H, d, $J = 7.2$ Hz), 6.98–6.90 (2H, m), 6.61 (1H, d, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 6.23 (1H, d, $J = 7.6$ Hz), 2.47 (3H, s); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 190.8, 167.7, 155.4, 132.9, 131.5, 131.4, 128.9, 127.2,

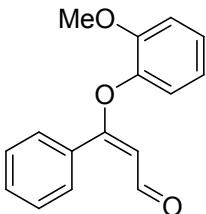
127.1, 126.8, 123.2, 116.1, 115.6, 16.2; HRMS (ESI-MS) Calcd. For $C_{16}H_{15}O_2$ $[M+1]^+$ 239.1067, Found: 239.1066; IR (ν/cm^{-1}): 3060, 1667, 1621, 1585, 1574, 1558, 1507, 1488, 1465, 1226, 1160, 1146, 1012, 865, 748, 691.

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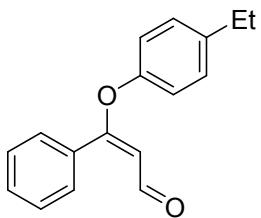
Light yellow solid, mp 52–54 °C; Yield: 41%; 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ 10.09 (1H, d, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 7.57 (2H, d, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 7.40–7.33 (3H, m), 6.91 (2H, d, $J = 9.2$ Hz), 6.77 (2H, d, $J = 8.8$ Hz), 6.18 (1H, d, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 3.73 (3H, s); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ 190.9, 167.8, 155.4, 150.9, 132.9, 131.2, 128.8, 127.6, 118.0, 116.2, 114.8, 55.5; HRMS (ESI-MS) Calcd. For $C_{16}H_{15}O_3$ $[M+H]^+$ 255.1016, Found: 255.1028; IR (ν/cm^{-1}): 2836, 1667, 1622, 1558, 1504, 1448, 1387, 1298, 1281, 1246, 1202, 1140, 1036, 830, 737, 692.

(E)-3-(2-methoxyphenoxy)-3-phenylacrylaldehyde (1i)



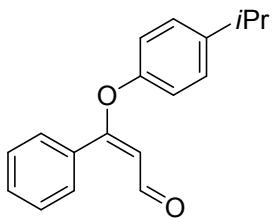
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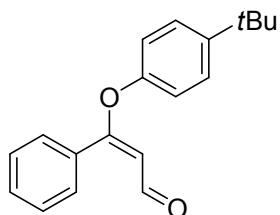
White solid, mp 69–71 °C; Yield: 38%; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 10.07 (1H, d, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.60 (2H, d, J = 8.0 Hz), 7.41–7.36 (3H, m), 7.08 (2H, d, J = 8.4 Hz), 6.90 (2H, d, J = 8.8 Hz), 6.23 (1H, d, J = 7.6 Hz), 2.56 (2H, q, J = 7.6 Hz), 1.17 (3H, t, J = 7.6 Hz); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 190.9, 167.4, 155.2, 139.1, 132.9, 131.3, 129.1, 128.9, 127.5, 116.7, 116.4, 27.9, 15.5; HRMS (ESI-MS) Calcd. For $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{17}\text{O}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 253.1223, Found: 253.1229; IR (ν/cm^{-1}): 2964, 1667, 1622, 1605, 1505, 1448, 1321, 1303, 1280, 1223, 1210, 1170, 1015, 833, 780, 729, 691.

(E)-3-(4-isopropylphenoxy)-3-phenylacrylaldehyde (1k)



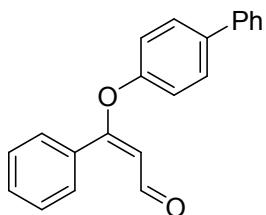
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(E)-3-(4-(*tert*-butyl)phenoxy)-3-phenylacrylaldehyde (1l)



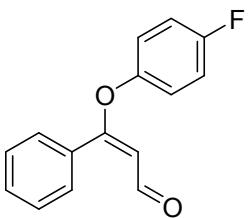
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(E)-3-([1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yloxy)-3-phenylacrylaldehyde (1m)



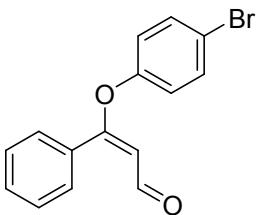
Light yellow solid, mp 99–100 °C; Yield: 46%; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 10.11 (1H, d, $J = 7.6$ Hz), 7.59 (2H, d, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 7.45–7.42 (4H, m), 7.37–7.31 (6H, m), 7.02 (2H, d, 8.8 Hz), 6.27 (1H, d, $J = 8.0$ Hz); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 190.6, 167.1, 156.8, 140.0, 136.3, 132.7, 131.5, 129.1, 128.8, 128.6, 127.5, 127.2, 126.8, 117.2, 116.7; HRMS (ESI-MS) Calcd. For $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{17}\text{O}_2$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 301.1223, Found: 301.1229; IR (ν/cm^{-1}): 1667, 1622, 1603, 1513, 1485, 1448, 1386, 1320, 1279, 1214, 1185, 1170, 1138, 1005, 837, 762, 725, 693.

(E)-3-(4-fluorophenoxy)-3-phenylacrylaldehyde (1n)



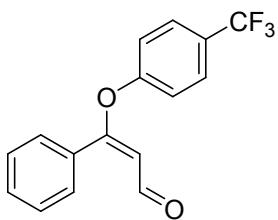
Light yellow liquid; Yield: 42%; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 10.09 (1H, d, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.57–7.55 (2H, m), 7.42–7.34 (3H, m), 6.95–6.93 (4H, m), 6.22 (1H, d, J = 7.6 Hz); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 190.6, 169.0, 155.3, 136.5, 132.9, 131.1, 130.5, 130.1, 129.5, 124.9 (d, J = 228.0 Hz), 118.5, 118.2; ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3): δ -120.0; HRMS (ESI-MS) Calcd. For $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{11}\text{O}_2\text{FNa} [\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 265.0635, Found: 265.0641; IR (ν/cm^{-1}): 1668, 1624, 1606, 1500, 1448, 1321, 1280, 1194, 1139, 1011, 834, 740.

(E)-3-(4-bromophenoxy)-3-phenylacrylaldehyde (1o)



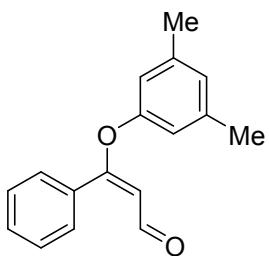
White solid, mp 100–102 °C; Yield: 47%; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 10.07 (1H, d, J = 8.0 Hz), 7.56 (2H, d, J = 8.0 Hz), 7.45–7.35 (5H, m), 6.87 (2H, d, J = 9.2 Hz), 6.26 (1H, d, J = 7.6 Hz); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 190.4, 166.6, 156.1, 132.8, 132.2, 131.6, 129.1, 127.4, 118.6, 116.7, 115.8; HRMS (ESI-MS) Calcd. For $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{11}\text{O}_2\text{BrNa} [\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 324.9835, Found: 324.9840; IR (ν/cm^{-1}): 1662, 1621, 1581, 1480, 1448, 1388, 1283, 1215, 1168, 1143, 1109, 1067, 1033, 1007, 867, 825, 794, 706, 689.

(E)-3-phenyl-3-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenoxy)acrylaldehyde (1p)



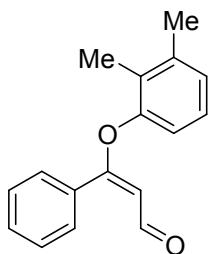
White solid, mp 145–147 °C; Yield: 41%; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 10.07 (1H, d, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.60–7.53 (4H, m), 7.45–7.37 (3H, m), 7.08 (2H, d, J = 8.4 Hz), 6.33 (1H, d, J = 7.6 Hz); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 190.1, 166.0, 159.5, 132.0, 131.8, 129.2, 127.4 (dd, J = 7.0, 4.0 Hz), 127.2, 125.5 (q, J = 33.0 Hz), 122.5, 116.9, 116.8; ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3): δ -61.9; HRMS (ESI-MS) Calcd. For $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_2\text{F}_3$ [M+H] $^+$ 293.0784, Found: 293.0790; IR (ν/cm^{-1}): 2852, 1668, 1625, 1609, 1512, 1449, 1325, 1278, 1222, 1165, 1122, 1107, 1066, 1009, 839, 747, 696, 594.

(E)-3-(3,5-dimethylphenoxy)-3-phenylacrylaldehyde (1q)



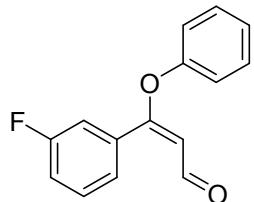
Light yellow solid, mp 59–61 °C; Yield: 44%; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 10.04 (1H, d, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.61 (2H, d, J = 8.0 Hz), 7.42–7.35 (3H, m), 6.66–6.61 (3H, m), 6.26 (1H, d, J = 7.6 Hz), 2.23 (6H, s); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 191.0, 167.3, 157.4, 139.8, 133.0, 131.3, 128.9, 127.4, 125.0, 116.4, 114.4, 21.3; HRMS (ESI-MS) Calcd. For $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{17}\text{O}_2$ [M+H] $^+$ 253.1223, Found: 253.1218; IR (ν/cm^{-1}): 2919, 2848, 1668, 1612, 1592, 1491, 1472, 1448, 1386, 1321, 1280, 1138, 1051, 837, 712.

(E)-3-(2,3-dimethylphenoxy)-3-phenylacrylaldehyde (1r)



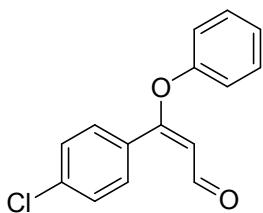
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(E)-3-(3-fluorophenyl)-3-phenoxyacrylaldehyde (1s)



Light yellow liquid; Yield: 38%; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 10.08 (1H, d, $J = 7.6$ Hz), 7.41–7.26 (5H, m), 7.13–6.97 (4H, m), 6.25 (1H, d, $J = 7.6$ Hz); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 190.5, 165.5 (d, $J = 3.0$ Hz), 162.8 (d, $J = 248.0$ Hz), 156.9, 135.2 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 130.7 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 130.0, 123.5, 123.2 (d, $J = 3.0$ Hz), 118.4 (d, $J = 21.0$ Hz), 117.2, 116.7, 114.4 (d, $J = 23.0$ Hz); ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3): δ -111.1; HRMS (ESI-MS) Calcd. For $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{12}\text{FO}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 243.0816, Found: 243.0807; IR (ν/cm^{-1}): 2954, 2924, 2853, 1669, 1623, 1589, 1488, 1456, 1441, 1310, 1207, 1128, 1030, 751.

(E)-3-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-phenoxyacrylaldehyde (1t)



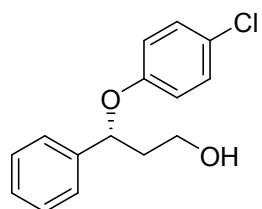
White solid, mp 74–76 °C; Yield: 20%; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 10.07 (1H, d, $J = 7.6$ Hz), 7.52 (2H, d, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 7.34–7.24 (4H, m), 7.06–6.96 (3H, m), 6.23 (1H, d, $J = 7.6$ Hz); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 190.5, 165.8, 156.9, 137.5, 131.2, 130.0, 129.3, 128.7, 123.5, 116.8, 116.7; HRMS (ESI-MS) Calcd. For $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{12}\text{ClO}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 259.0520, Found: 259.0527; IR (ν/cm^{-1}): 1669, 1621, 1592, 1488, 1406, 1386, 1311, 1296, 1207, 1165, 1140, 1093, 1027, 1011, 836, 790, 753, 690.

3. Hydrogenation of β -Aryl- β -aryloxy Acroleins

General procedure:

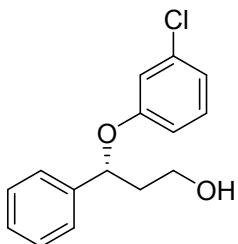
Catalyst (1 mol %) and β -aryl- β -aryloxy acrolein (0.078 mmol) were dissolved in a degassed solution of DCM (1 mL) and TFE (1 mL) under a nitrogen atmosphere. The solution was transferred to an autoclave and the H₂ pressure was adjusted to 30 bar. After stirring for several hours, the reaction mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure. The mixture was purified by flash chromatography (1/1 PE/EtOAc) to give pure product for the determination of enantioselectivity using a Daicel Chiralcel OJ-H or OD-H column with hexane/2-propanol as eluent.

(R)-3-(4-chlorophenoxy)-3-phenylpropan-1-ol (2a)



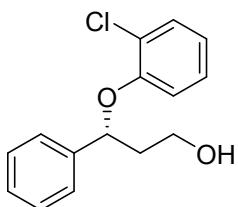
Oil; Yield: 98%; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.32–7.22 (5H, m), 7.10 (2H, d, *J* = 8.8 Hz), 6.76 (2H, d, *J* = 8.8 Hz), 5.30 (1H, dd, *J* = 4.4, 8.4 Hz), 3.89–3.73 (2H, m), 2.26–2.01 (2H, m), 1.79 (1H, s); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 156.4, 140.9, 129.1, 128.7, 127.7, 125.8, 117.2, 78.3, 59.5, 41.0; HRMS (ESI-MS) Calcd. For C₁₅H₁₅O₂ClNa [M+Na]⁺ 285.0653, Found: 285.0658; IR (v/cm⁻¹): 3360, 2924, 1594, 1581, 1489, 1453, 1282, 1260, 1237, 1169, 1090, 1050, 822, 756, 701, 668; The er was determined by HPLC on a Daicel Chiralcel OJ-H column (hexane/2-propanol = 90/10, 230 nm, flow = 0.8 mL/min), t_{R1} = 10.8 min (*R*), t_{R2} = 12.5 min (*S*), er = 91:9; [α]_D²⁵ = 26 (c 0.26, CH₂Cl₂).

(R)-3-(3-chlorophenoxy)-3-phenylpropan-1-ol (2b)^[4]



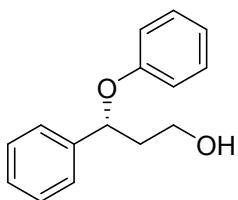
Oil; Yield: 96%; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.35–7.25 (5H, m), 7.07 (1H, t, J = 8.0 Hz), 6.88–6.84 (2H, m), 6.72 (1H, d, J = 8.4 Hz), 5.35 (1H, dd, J = 4.4, 8.4 Hz), 3.90–3.73 (2H, m), 2.26–2.03 (2H, m), 1.84 (1H, s); The er was determined by HPLC on a Daicel Chiralcel OJ-H column (hexane/2-propanol = 90/10, 230 nm, flow = 0.8 mL/min), $t_{\text{R}1}$ = 10.8 min (*R*), $t_{\text{R}2}$ = 11.7 min (*S*), er = 90:10.

(R)-3-(2-chlorophenoxy)-3-phenylpropan-1-ol (2c)^[4]



Oil; Yield: 95%; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.39–7.26 (6H, m), 7.00 (1H, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 6.82 (1H, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 6.70 (1H, d, J = 7.2 Hz), 5.43 (1H, dd, J = 4.0, 8.4 Hz), 3.92–3.83 (2H, m), 2.37 (1H, s), 2.31–2.13 (2H, m); The er was determined by HPLC on a Daicel Chiralcel OJ-H column (hexane/2-propanol = 90/10, 230 nm, flow = 0.8 mL/min), $t_{\text{R}1}$ = 16.8 min (*S*), $t_{\text{R}2}$ = 17.6 min (*R*), er = 10:90.

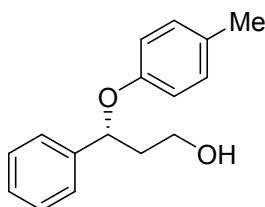
(R)-3-phenoxy-3-phenylpropan-1-ol (2d)^[4]



Oil; Yield: 98%; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.38–7.31 (4H, m), 7.26–7.15 (3H, m), 6.89–6.84 (3H, m), 5.37 (1H, dd, J = 4.0, 8.0 Hz), 3.89–3.80 (2H, m), 2.25–2.09

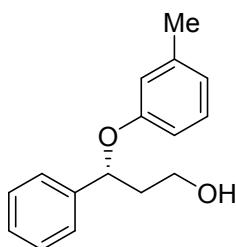
(2H, m), 1.86 (1H, s); The er was determined by HPLC on a Daicel Chiralcel OJ-H column (hexane/2-propanol = 85/15, 230 nm, flow = 0.8 mL/min), $t_{R1} = 13.4$ min (*R*), $t_{R2} = 18.2$ min (*S*), er = 91:9.

(*R*)-3-phenyl-3-(p-tolyloxy)propan-1-ol (2e)



Oil; Yield: 97%; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.37–7.21 (5H, m), 6.97 (2H, d, $J = 8.8$ Hz), 6.74 (2H, d, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 5.32 (1H, dd, $J = 4.4, 8.8$ Hz), 3.90–3.76 (2H, m), 2.26–2.03 (3H, m), 2.21 (3H, s); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 155.6, 141.6, 130.2, 129.8, 128.6, 127.5, 125.8, 115.8, 78.5, 60.0, 41.2, 20.4; HRMS (ESI-MS) Calcd. For $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}_2\text{Na}$ [$\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 265.1199, Found: 265.1204; IR (ν/cm^{-1}): 3345, 2923, 1613, 1585, 1509, 1453, 1357, 1288, 1235, 1174, 1050, 816, 755, 700, 511; The er was determined by HPLC on a Daicel Chiralcel OJ-H column (hexane/2-propanol = 90/10, 230 nm, flow = 0.8 mL/min), $t_{R1} = 14.8$ min (*R*), $t_{R2} = 21.0$ min (*S*), er = 91:9; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = 27$ (c 0.38, CH_2Cl_2).

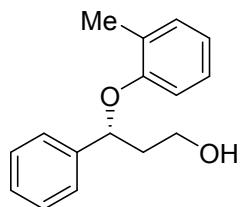
(*R*)-3-phenyl-3-(m-tolyloxy)propan-1-ol (2f)



Oil; Yield: 96%; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.37–7.22 (5H, m), 7.04 (1H, t, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 6.70–6.61 (3H, m), 5.35 (1H, dd, $J = 4.4, 8.8$ Hz), 3.90–3.76 (2H, m), 2.24 (3H, s), 2.22–2.03 (3H, m); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 157.8, 141.6, 139.4, 129.1, 128.6, 127.5, 125.8, 121.8, 116.9, 112.6, 78.1, 60.0, 41.2, 21.4; HRMS (ESI-

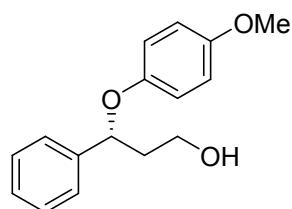
MS) Calcd. For $C_{16}H_{18}O_2Na$ [M+Na]⁺ 265.1199, Found: 265.1204; IR (ν/cm^{-1}): 3345, 2924, 1601, 1583, 1488, 1453, 1288, 1260, 1155, 1051, 769, 700; The er was determined by HPLC on a Daicel Chiralcel OJ-H column (hexane/2-propanol = 90/10, 230 nm, flow = 0.8 mL/min), $t_{R1} = 13.3$ min (*R*), $t_{R2} = 19.8$ min (*S*), er = 80:20; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = 14$ (*c* 0.36, CH_2Cl_2).

(*R*)-3-phenyl-3-(o-tolyloxy)propan-1-ol (2g)^[4]



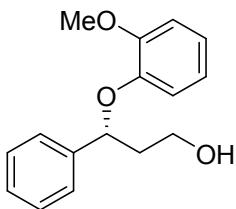
Oil; Yield: 99%; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ 7.35–7.22 (5H, m), 7.12 (1H, d, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 6.96 (1H, t, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 6.78 (1H, t, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 6.62 (1H, d, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 5.40 (1H, dd, *J* = 4.0, 8.4 Hz), 3.89–3.79 (2H, m), 2.32 (3H, s), 2.26–2.11 (2H, m), 1.98 (1H, s); The er was determined by HPLC on a Daicel Chiralcel OJ-H column (hexane/2-propanol = 90/10, 230 nm, flow = 0.8 mL/min), $t_{R1} = 11.8$ min (*S*), $t_{R2} = 15.7$ min (*R*), er = 10:90.

(*R*)-3-(4-methoxyphenoxy)-3-phenylpropan-1-ol (2h)^[4]



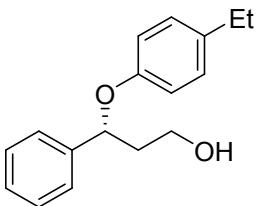
Oil; Yield: 90%; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ 7.36–7.25 (5H, m), 6.79–6.70 (4H, m), 5.26 (1H, dd, *J* = 4.0, 8.4 Hz), 3.88–3.79 (2H, m), 3.70 (3H, s), 2.23–2.03 (2H, m); The er was determined by HPLC on a Daicel Chiralcel OJ-H column (hexane/2-propanol = 90/10, 230 nm, flow = 0.8 mL/min), $t_{R1} = 34.7$ min (*R*), $t_{R2} = 36.8$ min (*S*), er = 89:11.

(R)-3-(2-methoxyphenoxy)-3-phenylpropan-1-ol (2i)



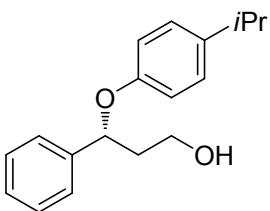
Oil; Yield: 90%; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.38–7.24 (5H, m), 6.88–6.82 (2H, m), 6.69–6.57 (2H, m), 5.23 (1H, dd, J = 3.6, 9.6 Hz), 3.92–3.83 (2H, m), 3.88 (3H, s), 3.54 (1H, s), 2.29–2.04 (2H, m); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 149.7, 147.2, 141.6, 128.6, 127.7, 125.7, 121.8, 120.6, 116.2, 111.4, 82.6, 60.9, 55.7, 41.2; HRMS (ESI-MS) Calcd. For $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}_3\text{Na}$ [$\text{M}+\text{Na}$] $^+$ 281.1148, Found: 281.1154; IR (ν/cm^{-1}): 3361, 2959, 2918, 2849, 1662, 1592, 1503, 1455, 1256, 1222, 1121, 1026, 797, 742, 701; The er was determined by HPLC on a Daicel Chiralcel OD-H column (hexane/2-propanol = 95/5, 230 nm, flow = 0.8 mL/min), $t_{\text{R}1}$ = 25.2 min (*S*), $t_{\text{R}2}$ = 36.1 min (*R*), er = 22:78; $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ = 13 (c 0.20, CH_2Cl_2).

(R)-3-(4-ethylphenoxy)-3-phenylpropan-1-ol (2j)



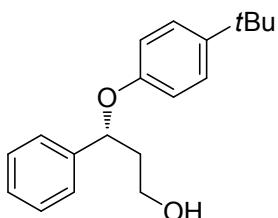
Oil; Yield: 98%; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.37–7.23 (5H, m), 7.01 (2H, d, J = 8.4 Hz), 6.77 (2H, d, J = 8.4 Hz), 5.33 (1H, dd, J = 4.0, 8.8 Hz), 3.90–3.79 (2H, m), 2.52 (2H, q, J = 7.6 Hz), 2.22–2.03 (3H, m), 1.15 (3H, t, J = 7.6 Hz); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 155.7, 141.6, 136.7, 128.6, 128.6, 127.5, 125.7, 115.7, 78.4, 60.0, 41.2, 27.9, 15.7; HRMS (ESI-MS) Calcd. For $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}_2\text{Na}$ [$\text{M}+\text{Na}$] $^+$ 279.1356, Found: 279.1361; IR (ν/cm^{-1}): 3355, 2961, 2926, 1611, 1509, 1453, 1295, 1234, 1175, 1053, 827, 700; The er was determined by HPLC on a Daicel Chiralcel OJ-H column (hexane/2-propanol = 90/10, 230 nm, flow = 0.8 mL/min), $t_{\text{R}1}$ = 10.7 min (*R*), $t_{\text{R}2}$ = 12.4 min (*S*), er = 89:11; $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ = 29 (c 0.38, CH_2Cl_2).

(R)-3-(4-isopropylphenoxy)-3-phenylpropan-1-ol (2k)



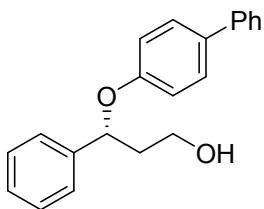
Oil; Yield: 96%; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.38–7.23 (5H, m), 7.03 (2H, d, J = 8.4 Hz), 6.78 (2H, d, J = 8.0 Hz), 5.32 (1H, dd, J = 4.0, 8.8 Hz), 3.87–3.78 (2H, m), 2.82–2.75 (1H, m), 2.22–2.06 (3H, m), 1.16 (6H, d, J = 6.8 Hz); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 155.8, 141.7, 141.3, 128.6, 127.5, 127.1, 125.7, 115.6, 78.4, 60.0, 41.2, 33.1, 24.1; HRMS (ESI-MS) Calcd. For $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{22}\text{O}_2\text{Na} [\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 293.1512, Found: 293.1517; IR (ν/cm^{-1}): 3355, 2924, 1609, 1509, 1454, 1382, 1362, 1282, 1237, 1177, 1050, 826, 754, 700, 574; The er was determined by HPLC on a Daicel Chiralcel OJ-H column (hexane/2-propanol = 90/10, 230 nm, flow = 0.8 mL/min), $t_{\text{R}1}$ = 7.6 min (*S*), $t_{\text{R}2}$ = 8.3 min (*R*), er = 12:88; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = 27$ (*c* 0.38, CH_2Cl_2).

(R)-3-(4-(*tert*-butylphenoxy)-3-phenylpropan-1-ol (2l)



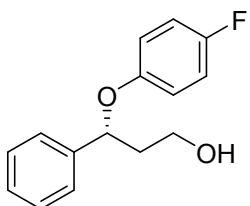
Oil; Yield: 97%; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.42–7.34 (4H, m), 7.31–7.27 (1H, m), 7.23 (2H, d, J = 8.8 Hz), 6.81 (2H, d, J = 8.8 Hz), 5.36 (1H, dd, J = 4.0, 8.8 Hz), 3.91–3.82 (2H, m), 2.26–2.06 (2H, m), 2.03 (1H, s), 1.27 (9H, s); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 155.5, 143.6, 141.8, 128.6, 127.5, 126.1, 125.8, 115.2, 78.4, 60.1, 41.3, 34.0, 31.4; HRMS (ESI-MS) Calcd. For $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{24}\text{O}_2\text{Na} [\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 307.1669, Found: 307.1664; IR (ν/cm^{-1}): 2960, 1607, 1510, 1455, 1362, 1292, 1240, 1183, 1049, 827, 802, 751, 700, 548; The er was determined by HPLC on a Daicel Chiralcel OJ-H column (hexane/2-propanol = 90/10, 230 nm, flow = 0.8 mL/min), $t_{\text{R}1}$ = 7.2 min (*S*), $t_{\text{R}2}$ = 8.8 min (*R*), er = 12:88; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = 32$ (*c* 0.20, CH_2Cl_2).

(R)-3-([1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yloxy)-3-phenylpropan-1-ol (2m)



Oil; Yield: 97%; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.48–7.23 (12H, m), 6.91 (2H, d, J = 8.4 Hz), 5.4 (1H, dd, J = 4.4, 8.8 Hz), 3.92–3.78 (2H, m), 2.28–2.06 (2H, m), 2.01 (1H, s); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 157.4, 141.4, 134.0, 128.7, 128.7, 128.1, 127.7, 126.7, 126.6, 125.8, 116.1, 78.2, 59.9, 41.2; HRMS (ESI-MS) Calcd. For $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}_2\text{Na} [\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 327.1356, Found: 327.1361; IR (ν/cm^{-1}): 3335, 2924, 1652, 1608, 1517, 1487, 1455, 1410, 1288, 1262, 1174, 1049, 831, 799, 762, 698; The er was determined by HPLC on a Daicel Chiralcel OJ-H column (hexane/2-propanol = 80/20, 230 nm, flow = 0.8 mL/min), $t_{\text{R}1}$ = 15.0 min (*S*), $t_{\text{R}2}$ = 22.9 min (*R*), er = 11:89; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = 30$ (c 0.32, CH_2Cl_2).

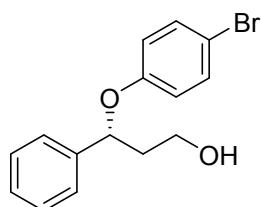
(R)-3-(4-fluorophenoxy)-3-phenylpropan-1-ol (2n)



Oil; Yield: 98%; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.34–7.25 (5H, m), 6.86 (2H, t, J = 8.4 Hz), 6.79–6.76 (2H, m), 5.29 (1H, dd, J = 4.4, 8.8 Hz), 3.91–3.78 (2H, m), 2.24–2.04 (2H, m), 1.94 (1H, s); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 158.4, 155.0 (d, J = 220.0 Hz), 141.1, 128.7, 127.7, 125.8, 117.1 (d, J = 8.0 Hz), 115.7 (d, J = 23.0 Hz), 78.9, 59.7, 41.1; ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3): δ -123.4; HRMS (ESI-MS) Calcd. For $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{15}\text{O}_2\text{FNa} [\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 269.0948, Found: 269.0954; IR (ν/cm^{-1}): 3345, 2924, 1504, 1454, 1376, 1291, 1245, 1203, 1097, 1051, 982, 827, 795, 741, 700; The er was determined by HPLC on a Daicel Chiralcel OJ-H column (hexane/2-propanol = 90/10,

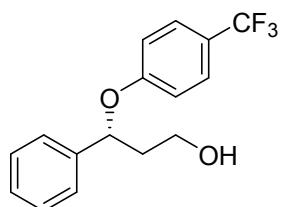
230 nm, flow = 0.8 mL/min), $t_{R1} = 14.0$ min (*R*), $t_{R2} = 17.5$ min (*S*), er = 90:10; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = 23$ (*c* 0.38, CH_2Cl_2).

(*R*)-3-(4-bromophenoxy)-3-phenylpropan-1-ol (2o)



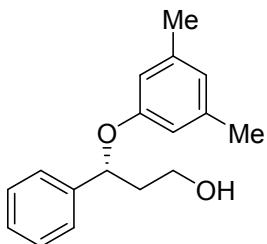
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(*R*)-3-phenyl-3-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenoxy)propan-1-ol (2p)^[4]



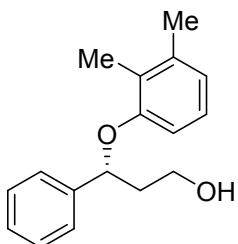
Oil; Yield: 98%; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.43 (2H, d, $J = 8.8$ Hz), 7.35–7.25 (5H, m), 6.91 (2H, d, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 5.43 (1H, dd, $J = 4.4, 8.4$ Hz), 3.92–3.75 (2H, m), 2.29–2.07 (2H, m), 1.74 (1H, s); The er was determined by HPLC on a Daicel Chiralcel OJ-H column (hexane/2-propanol = 90/10, 230 nm, flow = 0.8 mL/min), $t_{R1} = 7.0$ min (*S*), $t_{R2} = 7.7$ min (*R*), er = 11:89.

(R)-3-(3,5-dimethylphenoxy)-3-phenylpropan-1-ol (2q)



Oil; Yield: 97%; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.37–7.24 (5H, m), 6.53–6.49 (3H, m), 5.35 (1H, dd, J = 4.0, 8.8 Hz), 3.86–3.79 (2H, m), 2.09–2.05 (3H, m), 2.19 (6H, s); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 157.8, 141.6, 139.0, 128.6, 127.5, 125.7, 122.8, 113.5, 78.0, 60.0, 41.1, 21.4; HRMS (ESI-MS) Calcd. For $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}_2\text{Na} [\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 279.1356, Found: 279.1361; IR (ν/cm^{-1}): 3354, 3030, 2958, 2922, 2854, 1668, 1611, 1594, 1489, 1471, 1455, 1418, 1320, 1293, 1261, 1165, 1153, 1055, 829, 700; The er was determined by HPLC on a Daicel Chiralcel OJ-H column (hexane/2-propanol = 90/10, 230 nm, flow = 0.8 mL/min), $t_{\text{R}1}$ = 9.3 min (*R*), $t_{\text{R}2}$ = 11.0 min (*S*), er = 91:9; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = 28$ (*c* 0.24, CH_2Cl_2).

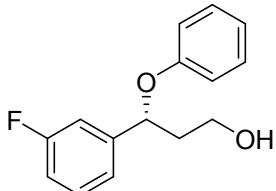
(R)-3-(2,3-dimethylphenoxy)-3-phenylpropan-1-ol (2r)



Oil; Yield: 98%; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.35–7.24 (5H, m), 6.85 (1H, t, J = 8.0 Hz), 6.70 (1H, d, J = 7.6 Hz), 6.51 (1H, d, J = 8.4 Hz), 5.37 (1H, dd, J = 4.0, 8.8 Hz), 3.89–3.78 (2H, m), 2.30–2.08 (2H, m), 2.17 (6H, d, J = 5.2 Hz), 1.98 (1H, s); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 155.4, 141.7, 137.8, 128.6, 127.5, 125.7, 125.6, 122.3, 110.6, 77.8, 60.0, 41.3, 20.1, 11.9; HRMS (ESI-MS) Calcd. For $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}_2\text{Na} [\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 279.1356, Found: 279.1361; IR (ν/cm^{-1}): 3334, 3030, 2923, 1583, 1471, 1453, 1302, 1256, 1101, 1049, 766, 700; The er was determined by HPLC on a Daicel Chiralcel

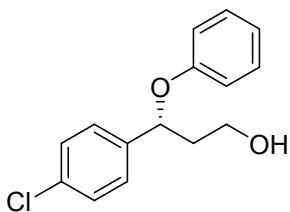
OJ-H column (hexane/2-propanol = 90/10, 230 nm, flow = 0.8 mL/min), $t_{R1} = 9.8$ min (*R*), $t_{R2} = 15.0$ min (*S*), er = 87:13; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -30$ (*c* 0.38, CH_2Cl_2).

(*R*)-3-(3-fluorophenyl)-3-phenoxypropan-1-ol (2s)



Oil; Yield: 96%; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.32–7.07 (5H, m), 6.96–6.83 (4H, m), 5.36 (1H, dd, $J = 4.0, 8.4$ Hz), 3.89–3.76 (2H, m), 2.24–2.03 (2H, m), 1.90 (1H, s); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 163.1 (d, $J = 245.0$ Hz), 157.6, 144.4 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz), 130.3 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 129.4, 121.5 (d, $J = 3.0$ Hz), 121.2, 115.8, 114.6 (d, $J = 21.0$ Hz), 112.8 (d, $J = 22.0$ Hz), 77.3 (d, $J = 1.0$ Hz), 59.6, 41.0; ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3): δ -112.3; HRMS (ESI-MS) Calcd. For $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{15}\text{O}_2\text{FNa}$ [$\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 269.0948, Found: 269.0954; IR (ν/cm^{-1}): 3361, 2925, 1615, 1597, 1493, 1351, 1289, 1236, 1172, 1137, 1051, 1028, 787, 753, 691; The er was determined by HPLC on a Daicel Chiralcel OJ-H column (hexane/2-propanol = 90/10, 230 nm, flow = 0.8 mL/min), $t_{R1} = 11.1$ min (*R*), $t_{R2} = 14.2$ min (*S*), er = 87:13; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = 13$ (*c* 0.38, CH_2Cl_2).

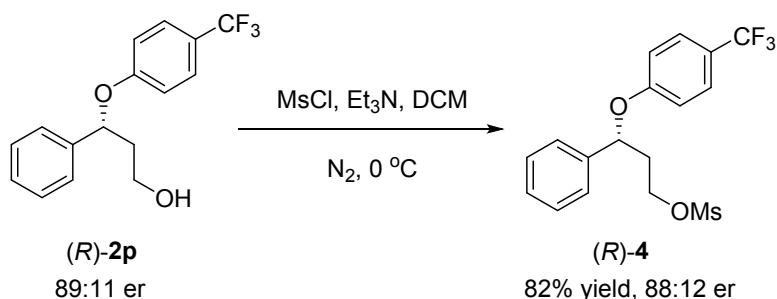
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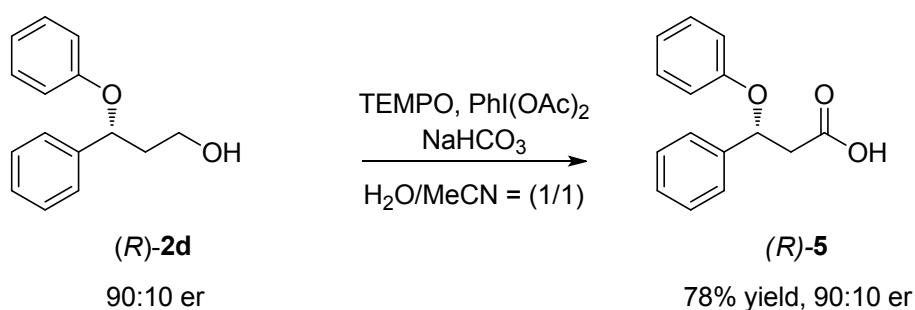
Oil; Yield: 97%; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.33–7.29 (4H, m), 7.19 (2H, t, $J = 7.6$ Hz), 6.89 (1H, t, $J = 7.2$ Hz), 6.82 (2H, d, $J = 8.8$ Hz), 5.35 (1H, dd, $J = 4.4, 8.8$ Hz), 3.88–3.76 (2H, m), 2.24–2.01 (2H, m), 1.87 (1H, s); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 157.8, 140.3, 133.5, 129.6, 129.1, 127.5, 121.4, 116.1, 77.5, 59.8, 41.3; HRMS (ESI-MS) Calcd. For $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{15}\text{O}_2\text{ClNa}$ [$\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 285.0653, Found: 285.0658; IR (ν/cm^{-1}): 3345, 3063, 2925, 1668, 1598, 1491, 1408, 1236, 1172, 1089, 1051, 1014,

834, 752, 691; The er was determined by HPLC on a Daicel Chiralcel OJ-H column (hexane/2-propanol = 90/10, 230 nm, flow = 0.8 mL/min), $t_{R1} = 9.5$ min (*R*), $t_{R2} = 10.3$ min (*S*), er = 83:17; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = 19$ (*c* 0.26, CH₂Cl₂).

4. Further Applications



The alcohol (*R*)-**2p** (21.5 mg, 0.071 mmol) was taken up in DCM (2 mL) under N_2 and cooled to 0 °C. The solution was treated sequentially with triethylamine (0.015 mL, 0.14 mmol) and methanesulfonyl chloride (0.008 mL, 0.14 mmol). After 1 hour, the mixture was stirred at RT overnight. The mixture was diluted with DCM (15 mL), washed with brine (5 mL), dried over Na_2SO_4 , and concentrated to afford the crude mesylate. The crude product was purified by flash column using silica gel (10/90 PE/EtOAc) to give (*R*)-**4** as light yellow solid in 82% yield (17.4 mg).^[5] ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.43 (2H, d, J = 8.4 Hz), 7.36–7.27 (5H, m), 6.89 (2H, d, J = 8.4 Hz), 5.35 (1H, dd, J = 4.4, 8.8 Hz), 4.50–4.46 (1H, m), 4.36–4.30 (1H, m), 2.95 (3H, s), 2.44–2.35 (1H, m), 2.33–2.24 (1H, m); The er was determined by HPLC on a Daicel Chiralcel OJ-H column (hexane/2-propanol = 90/10, 230 nm, flow = 0.8 mL/min), $t_{\text{R}1}$ = 49.2 min (*S*), $t_{\text{R}2}$ = 59.8 min (*R*), er = 12:88.



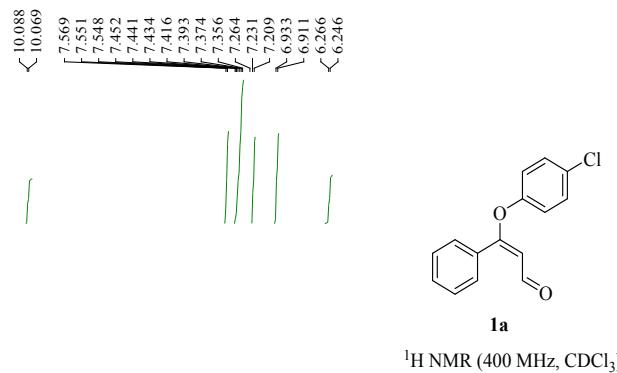
The alcohol (*R*)-**2d** (30 mg, 0.13 mmol), iodobenzene diacetate (93 mg, 0.28 mmol), TEMPO (4 mg, 0.03 mmol), and sodium bicarbonate (22 mg, 0.26 mmol) were combined. MeCN (1 mL) and H_2O (1 mL) were added to the vial. The vial was sealed

with a PTFE/silicone-lined septum cap, and the reaction was first stirred at 0 °C for 2 hours then stirred at RT overnight. The reaction mixture was poured into 1 M HCl (10 mL) and extracted with EtOAc (3×20 mL). The combined organic layers were concentrated. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography using silica gel (40/60 PE/EtOAc) to give (*R*)-**6** as colorless oil in 78% yield (24 mg).^[6] ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.40–7.14 (7H, m), 6.89–6.84 (3H, m), 5.61 (1H, dd, $J = 4.4, 9.2$ Hz), 3.07 (1H, dd, $J = 9.2, 16.0$ Hz), 2.81 (1H, dd, $J = 4.4, 16.0$ Hz). The er value was determined by HPLC on a Daicel Chiralcel OJ-H column (hexane/2-propanol = 80/20, 230 nm, flow = 0.8 mL/min), $t_{R1} = 11.1$ min (*S*), $t_{R2} = 12.2$ min (*R*), er = 10:90.

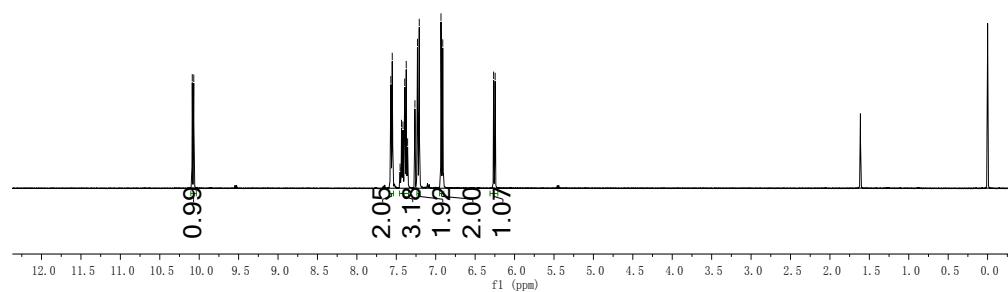
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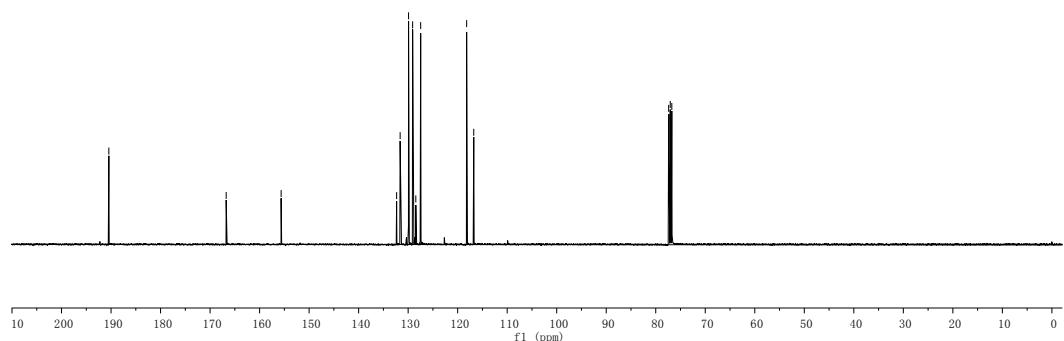
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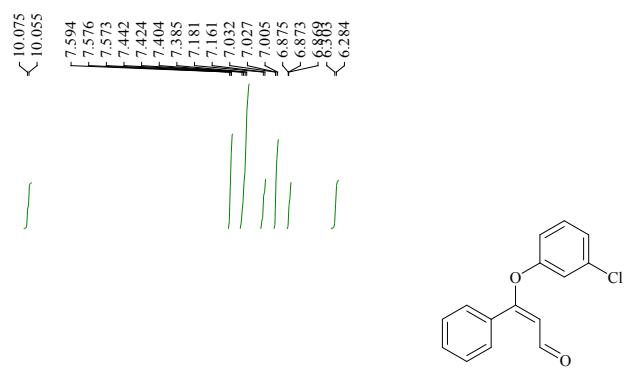


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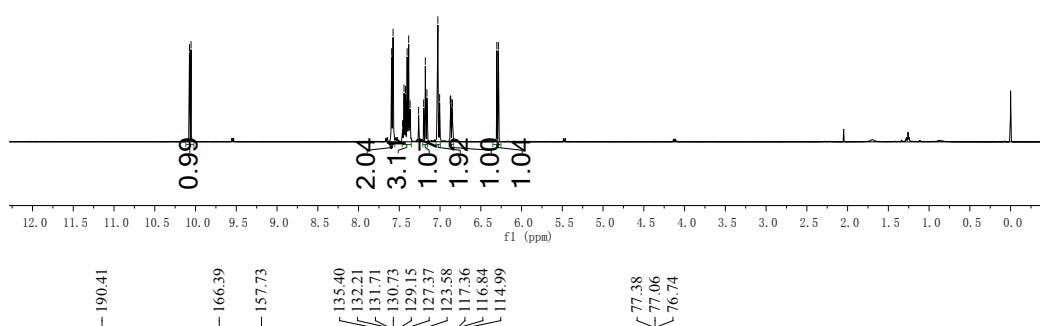


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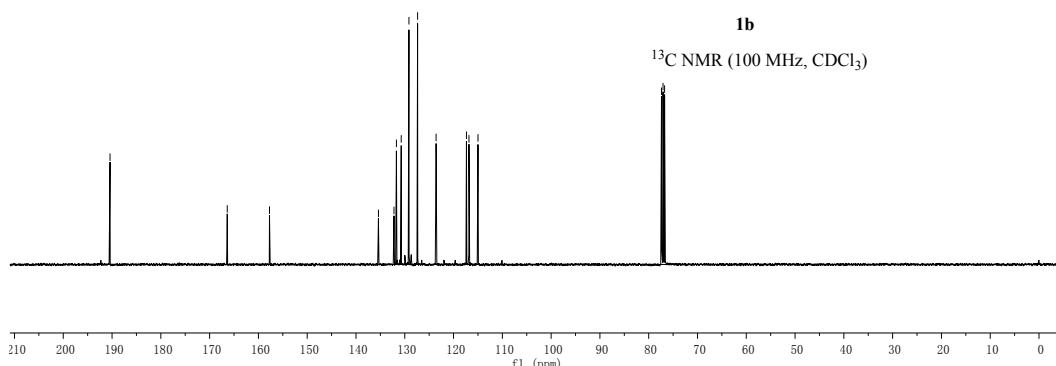
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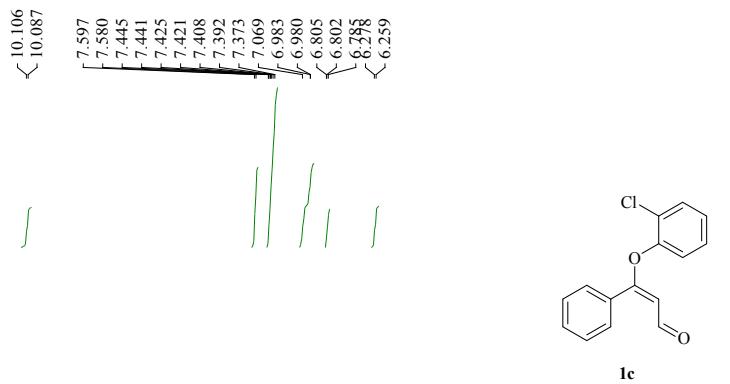
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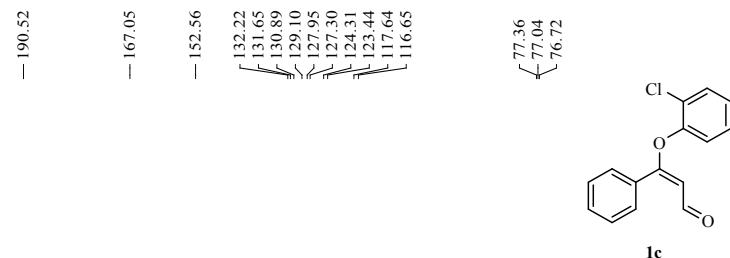
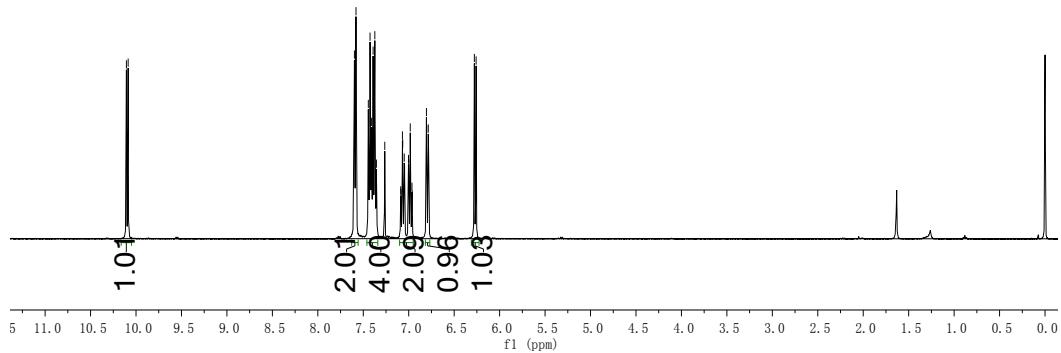
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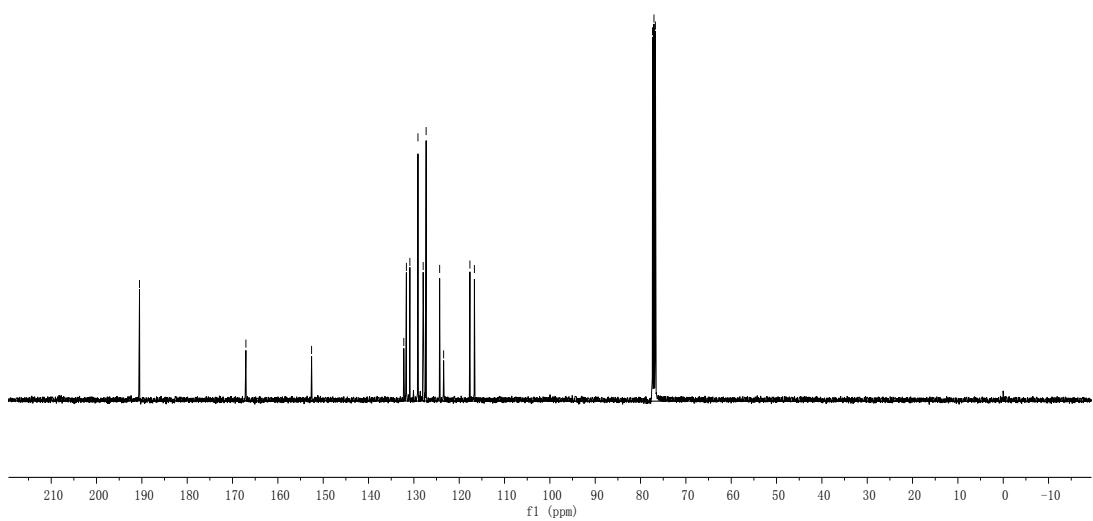




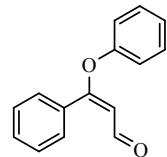
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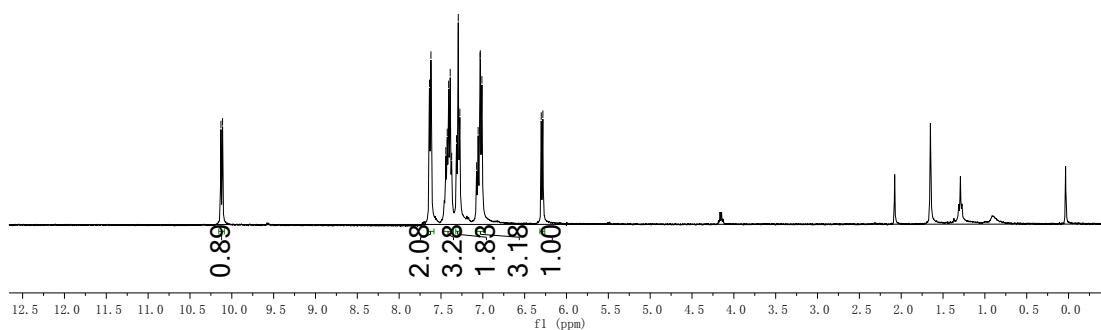


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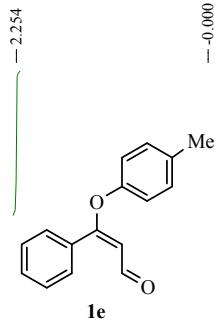
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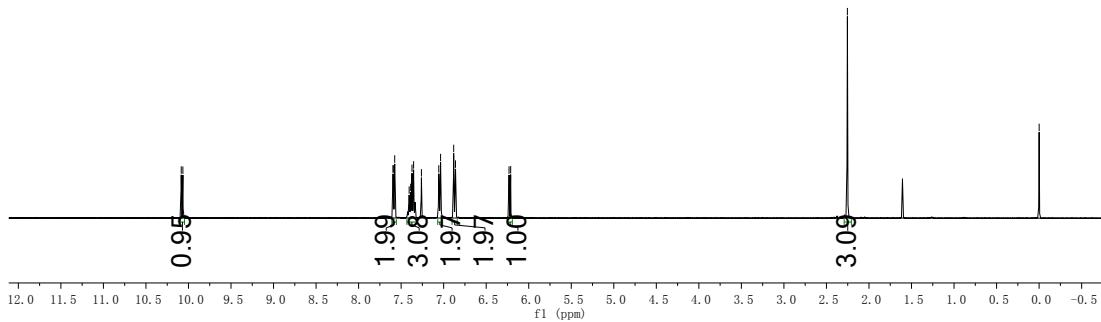
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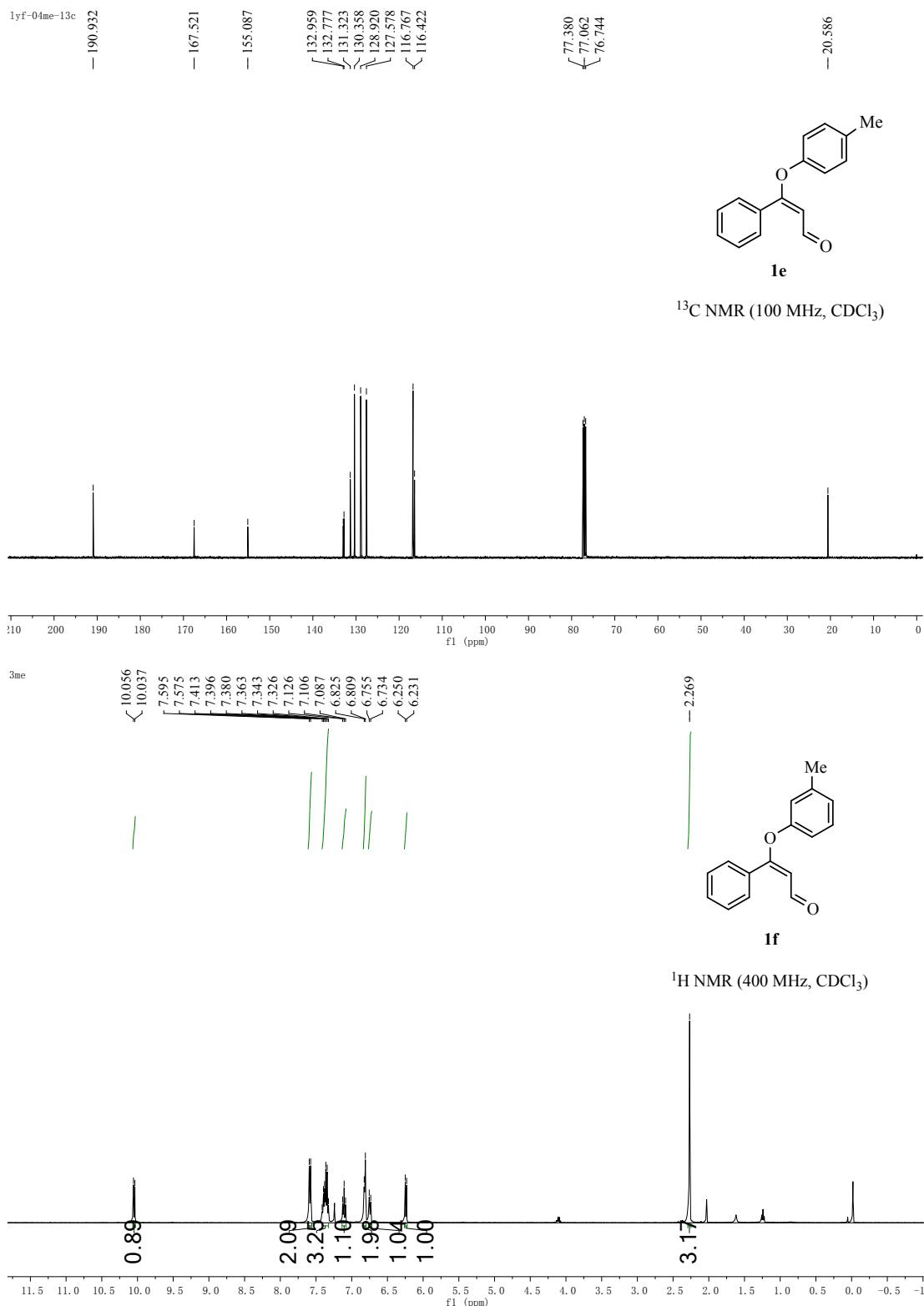
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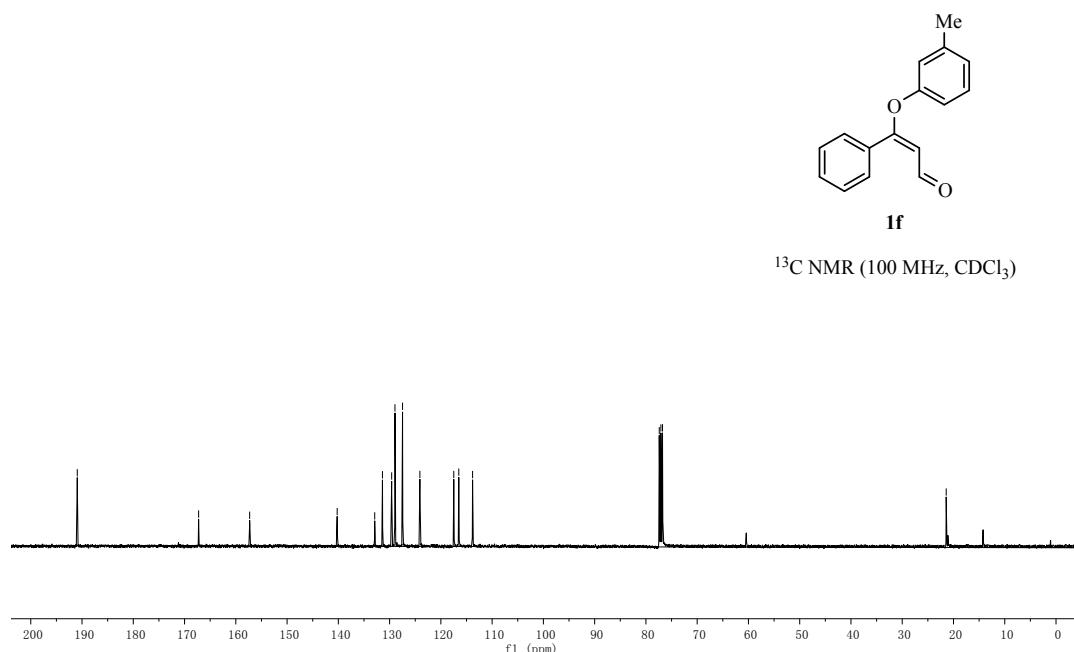
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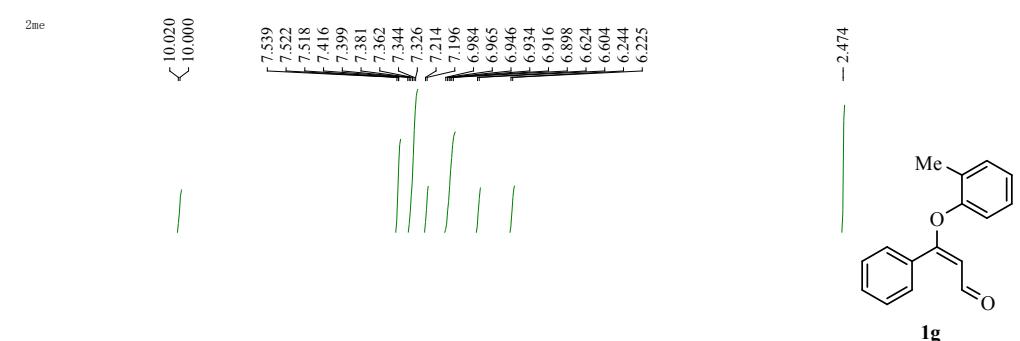




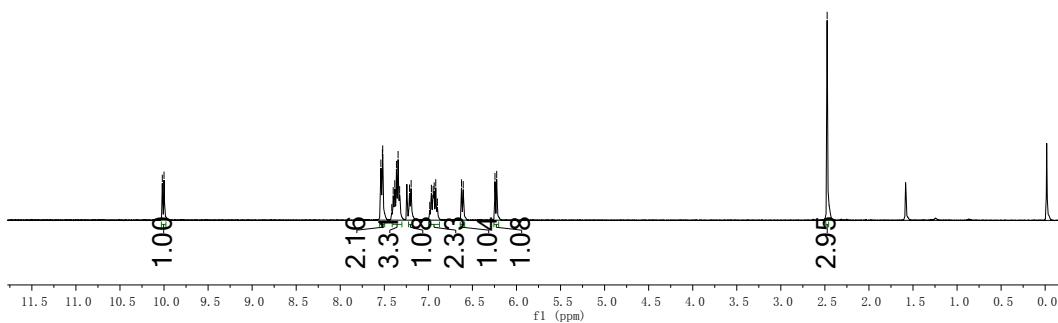
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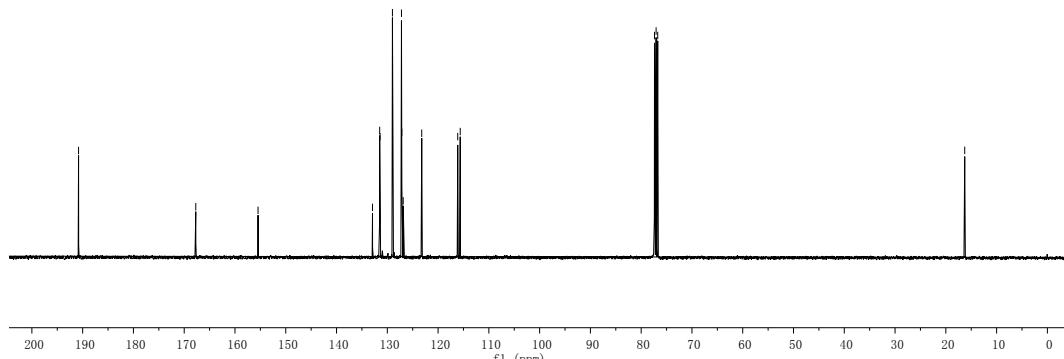


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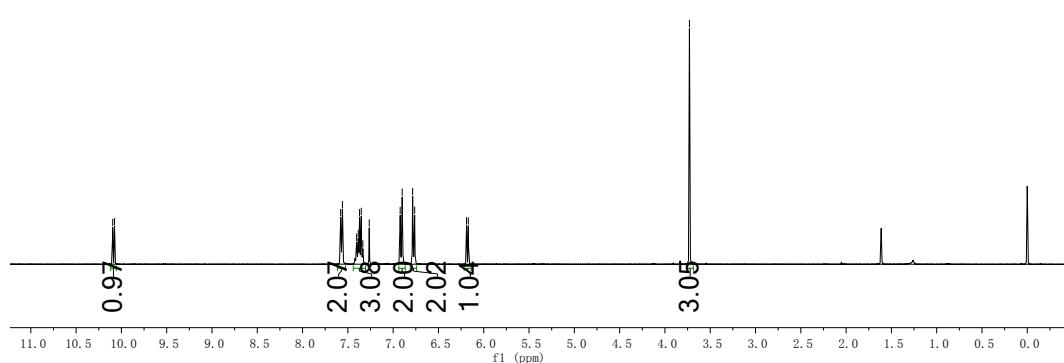


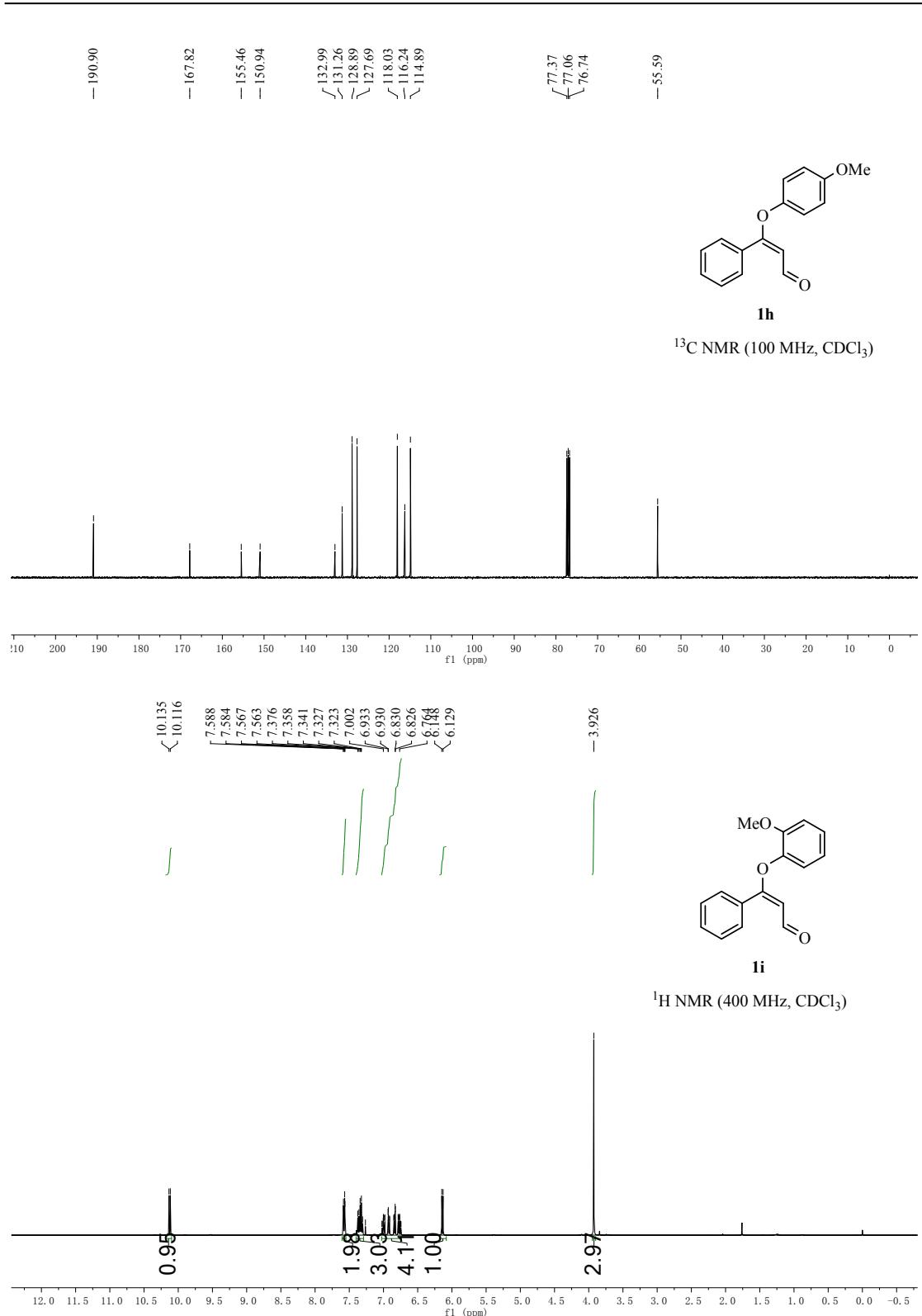
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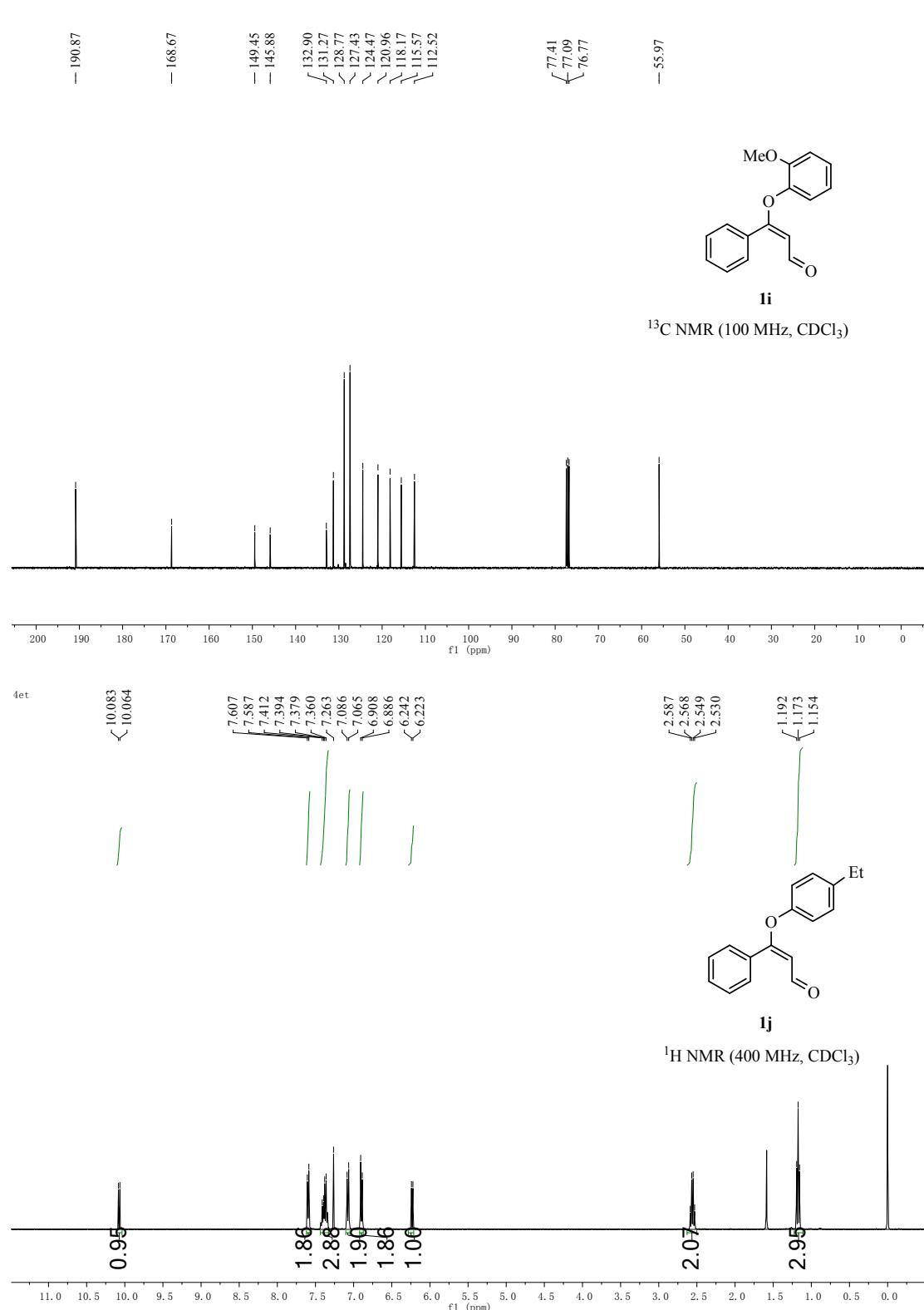


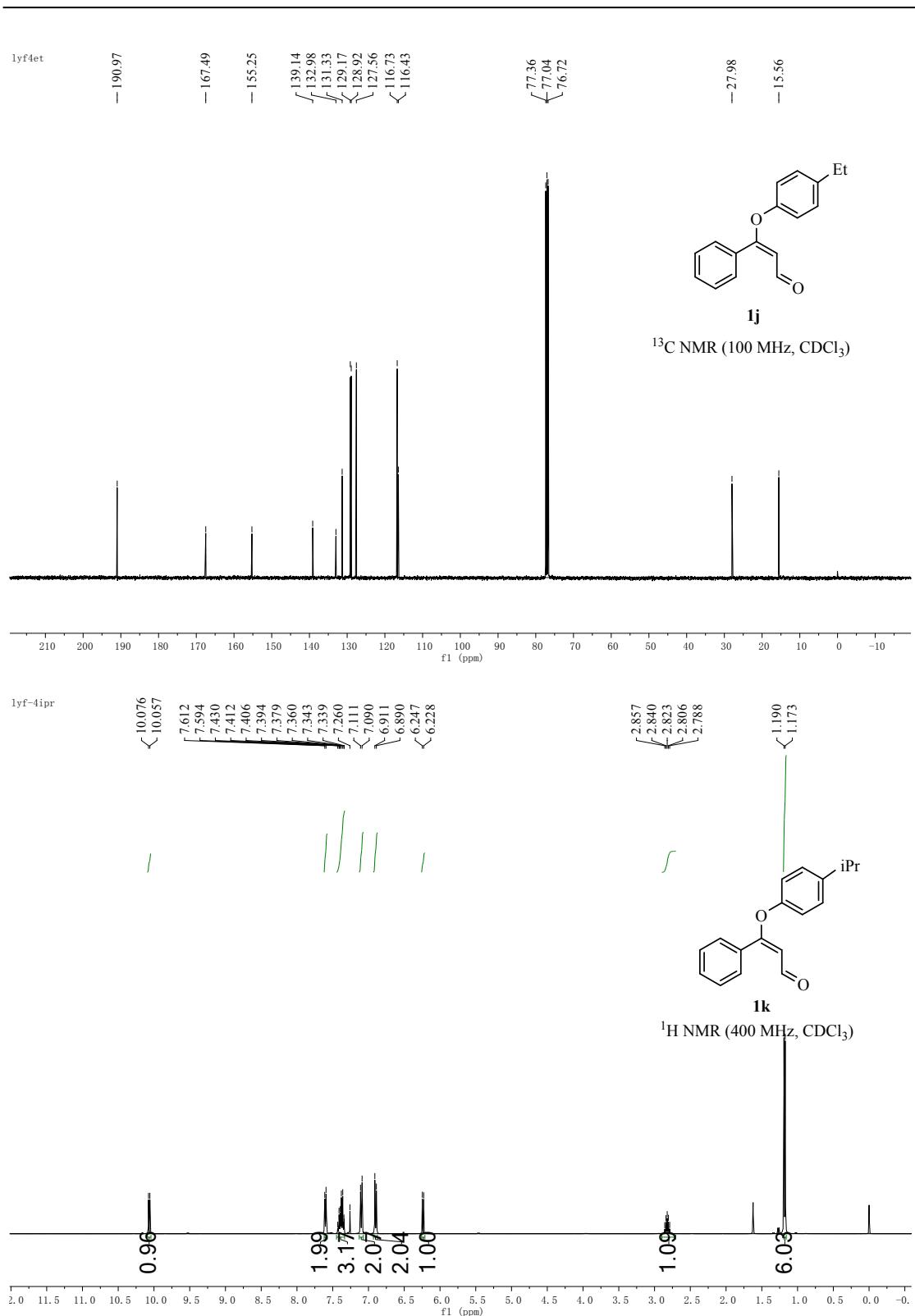
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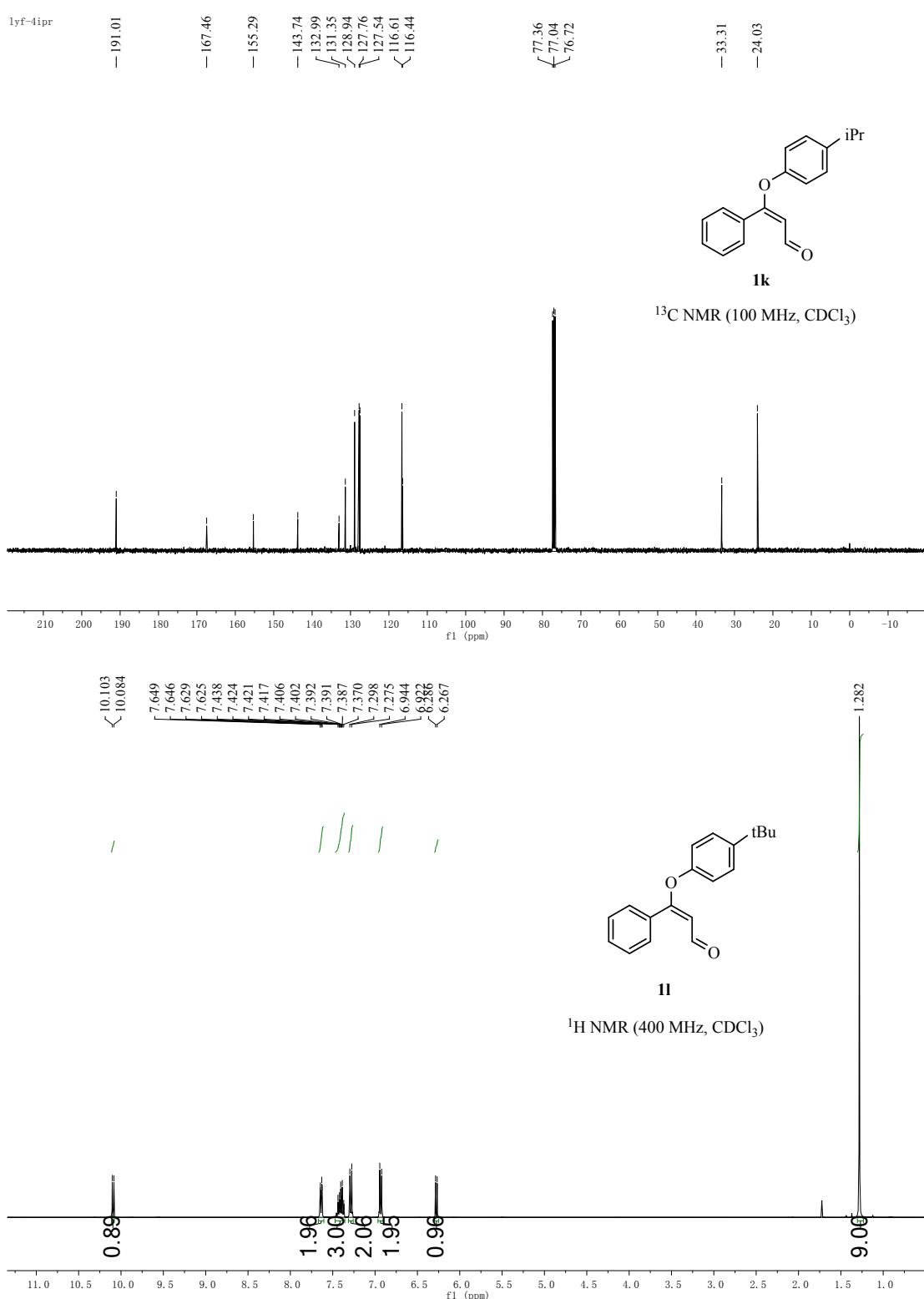
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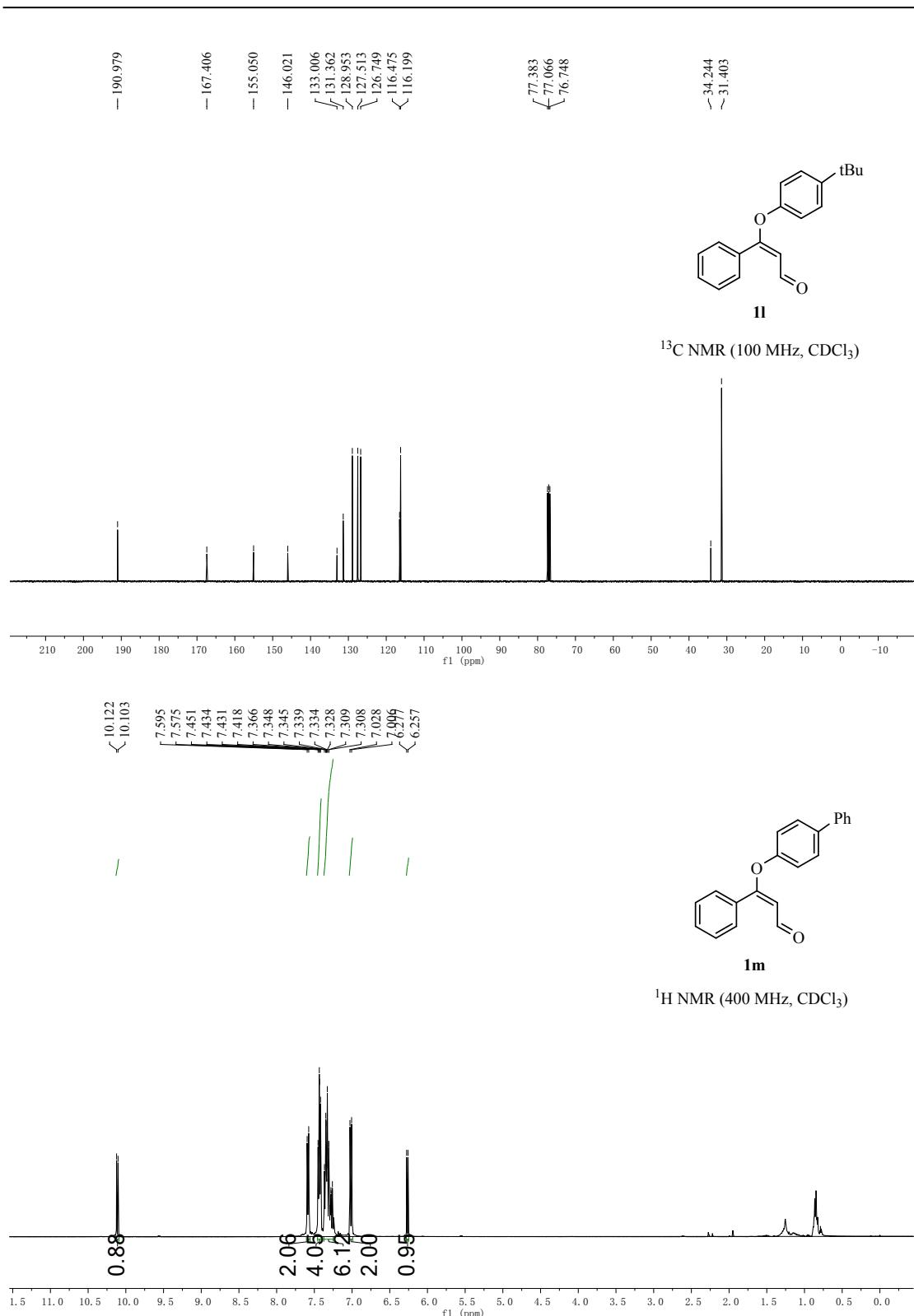


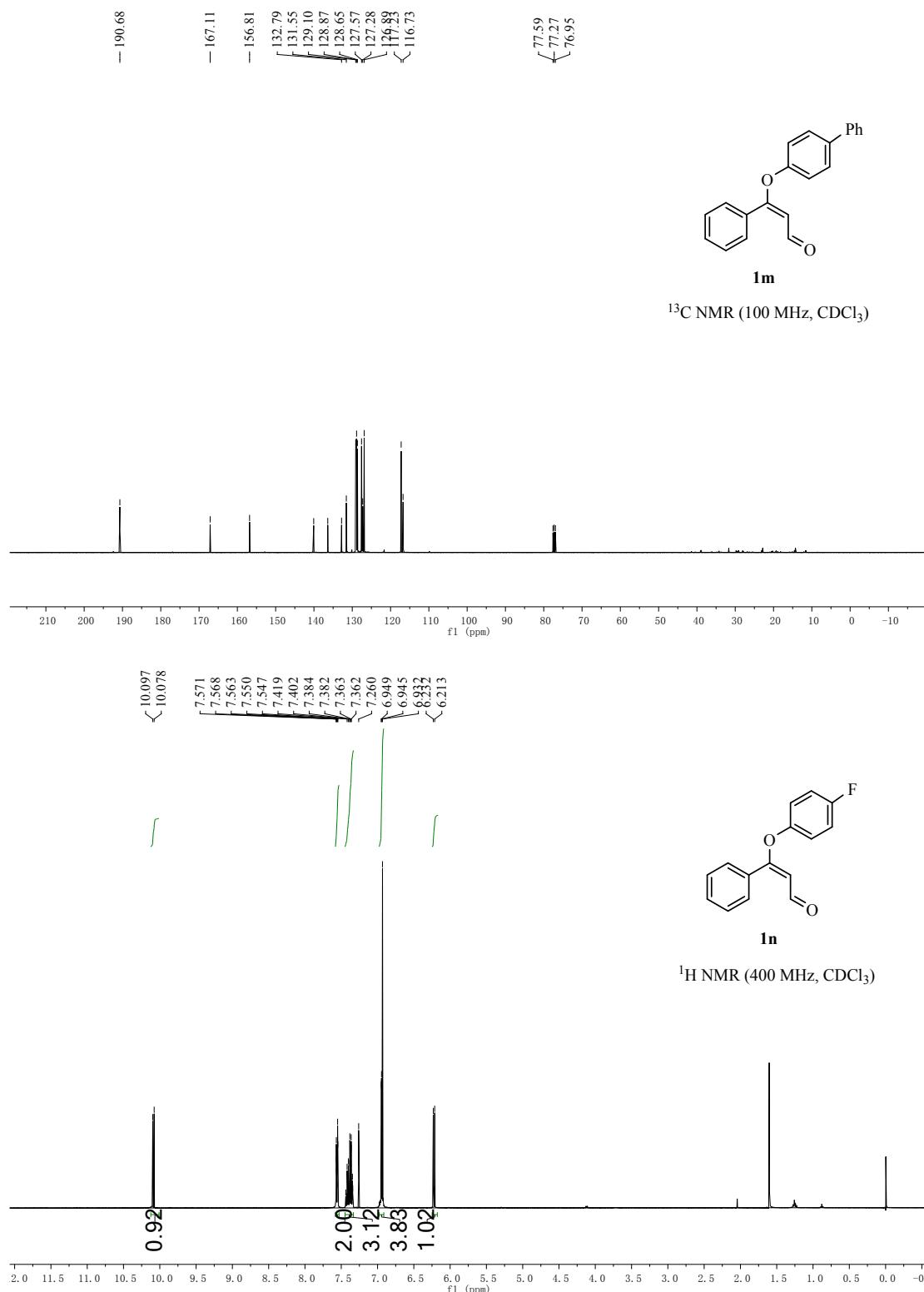


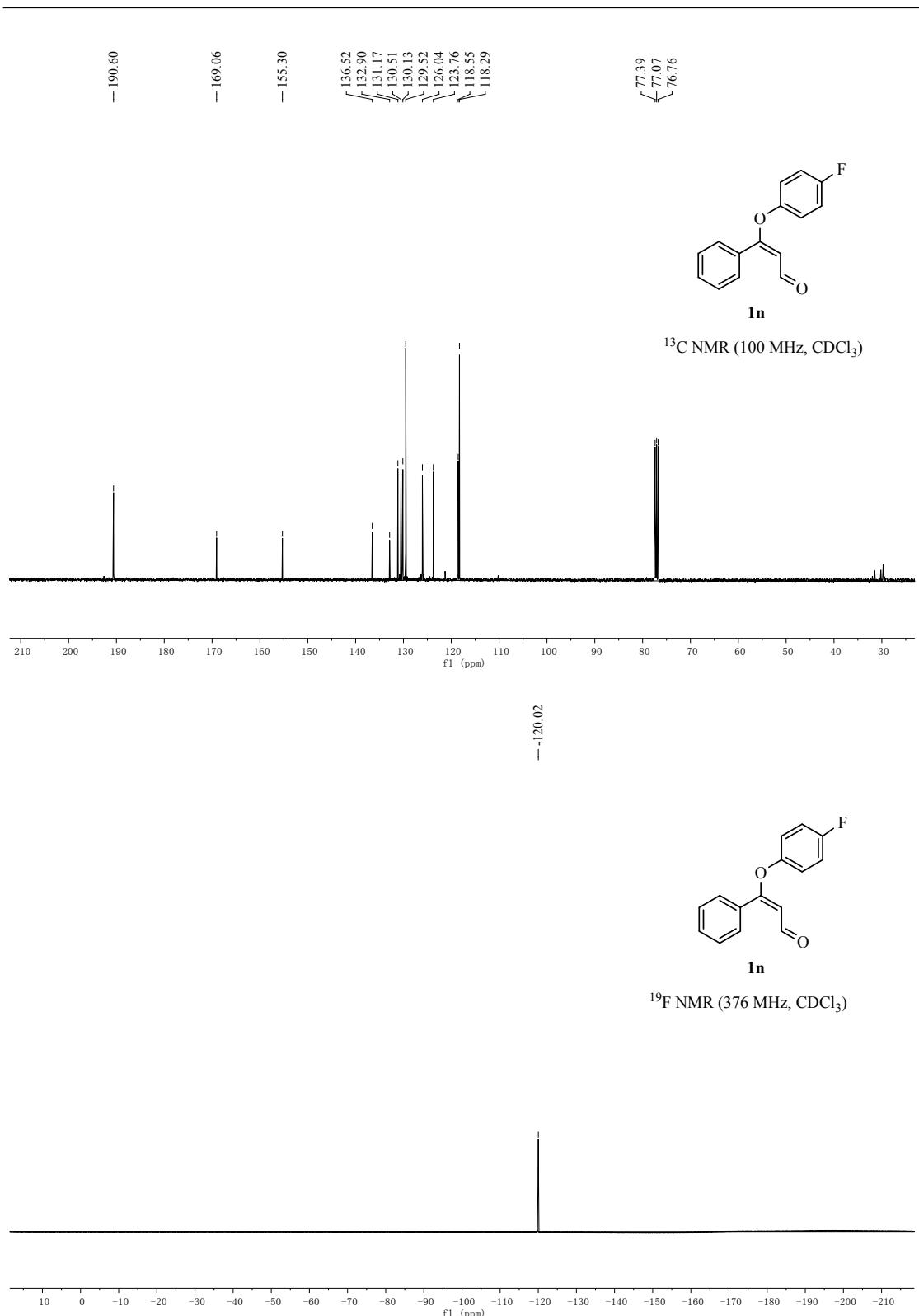


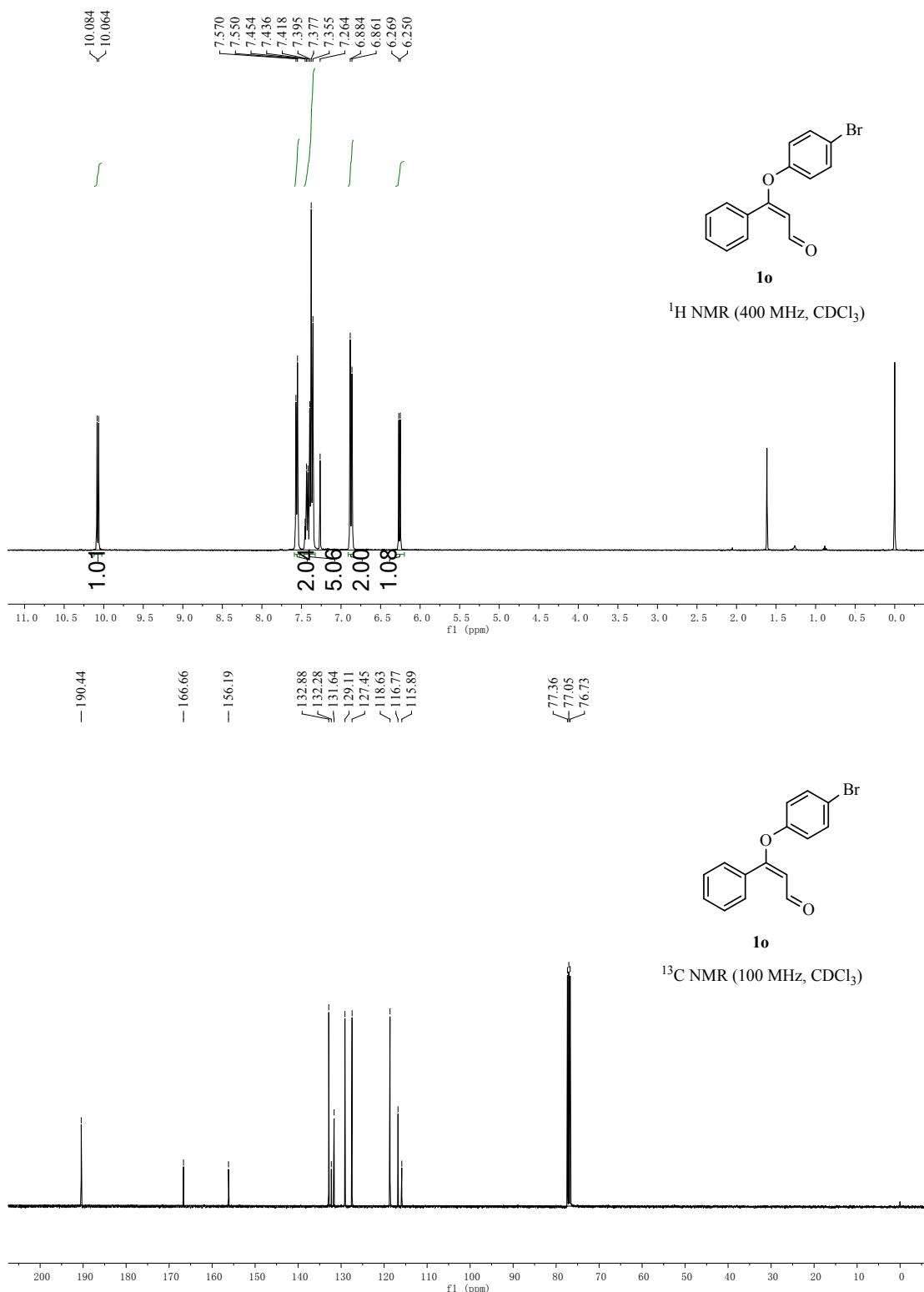






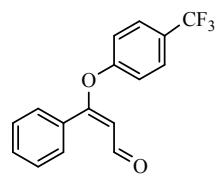






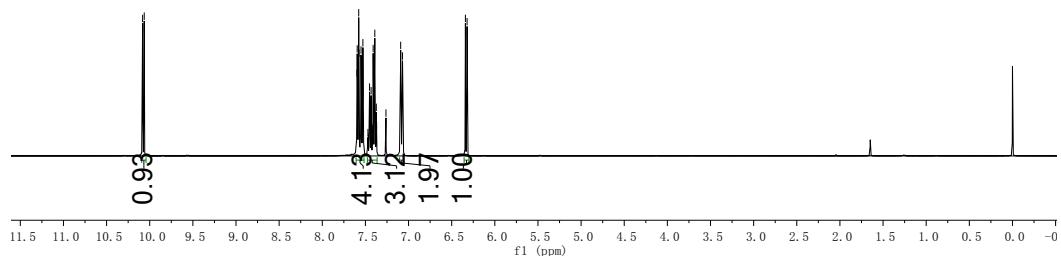
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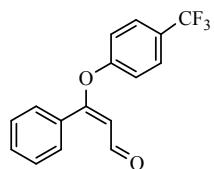
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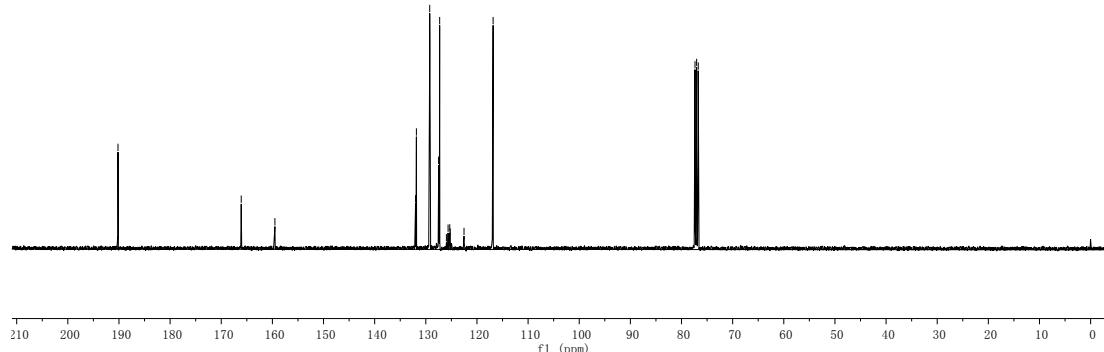
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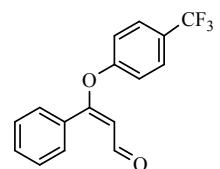


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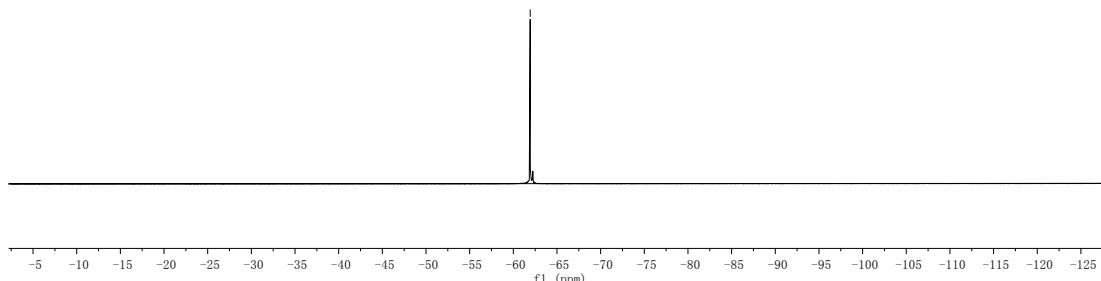


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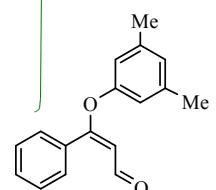
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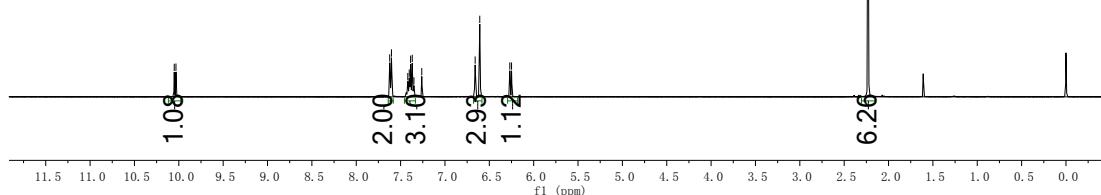
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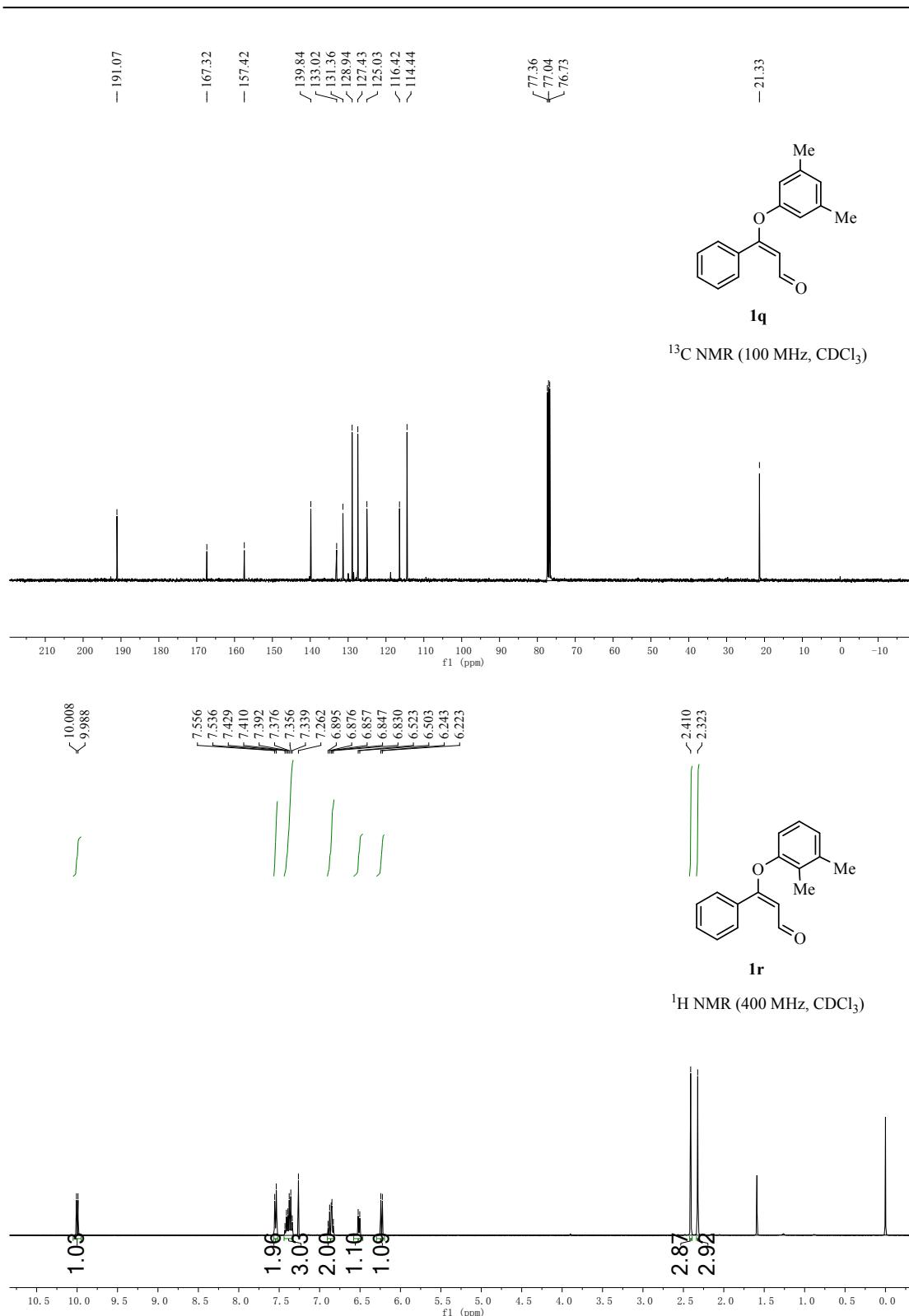
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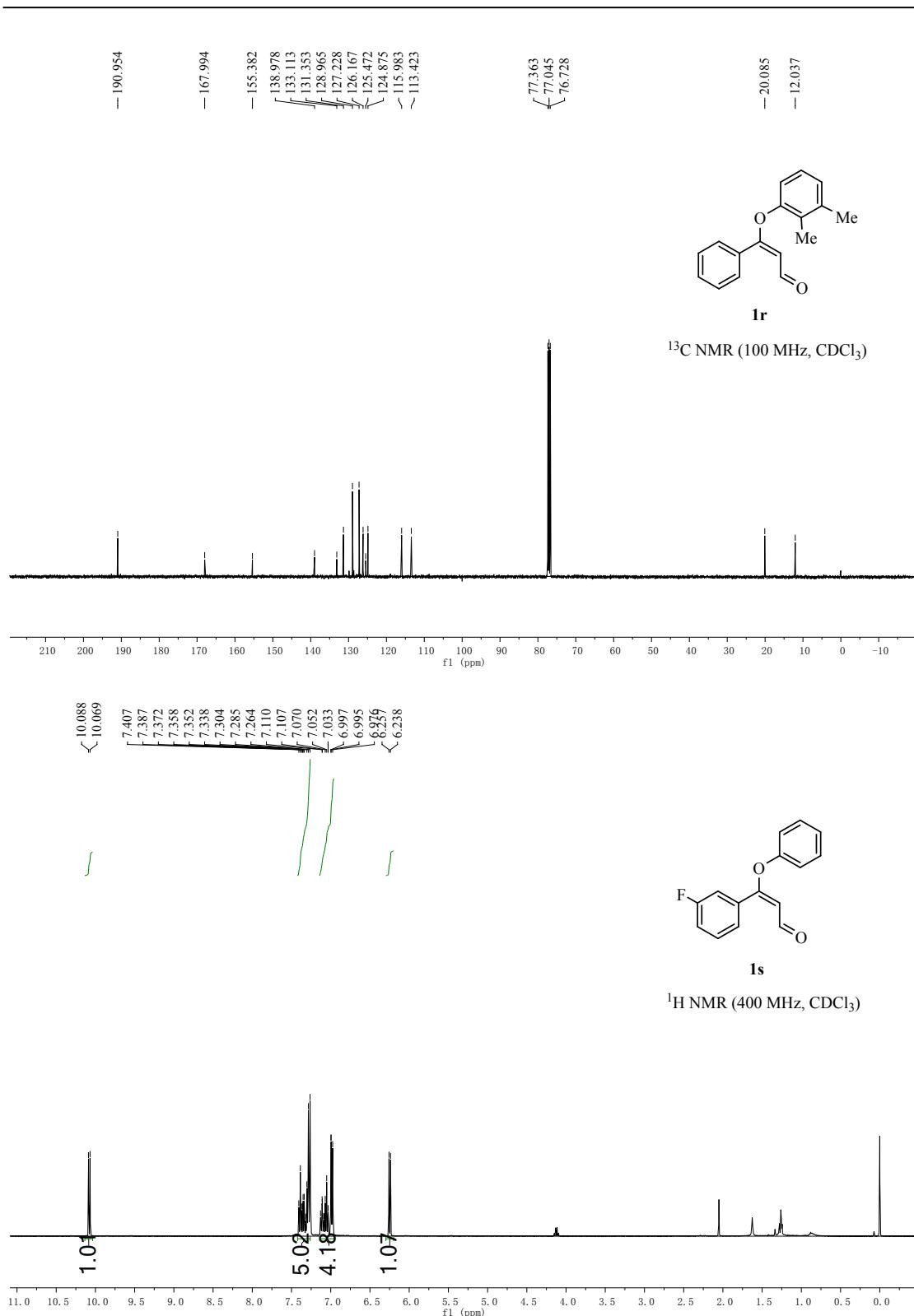


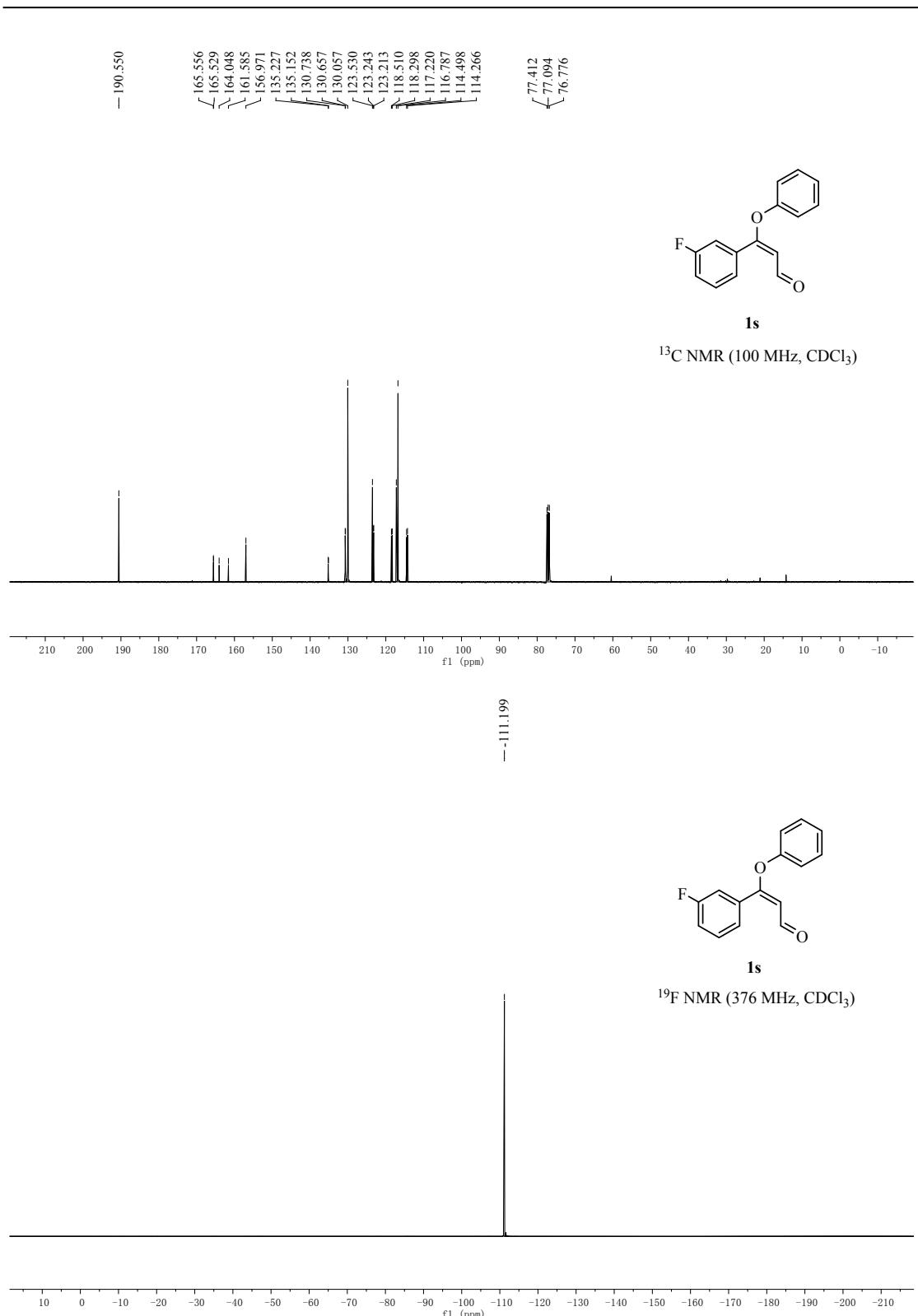
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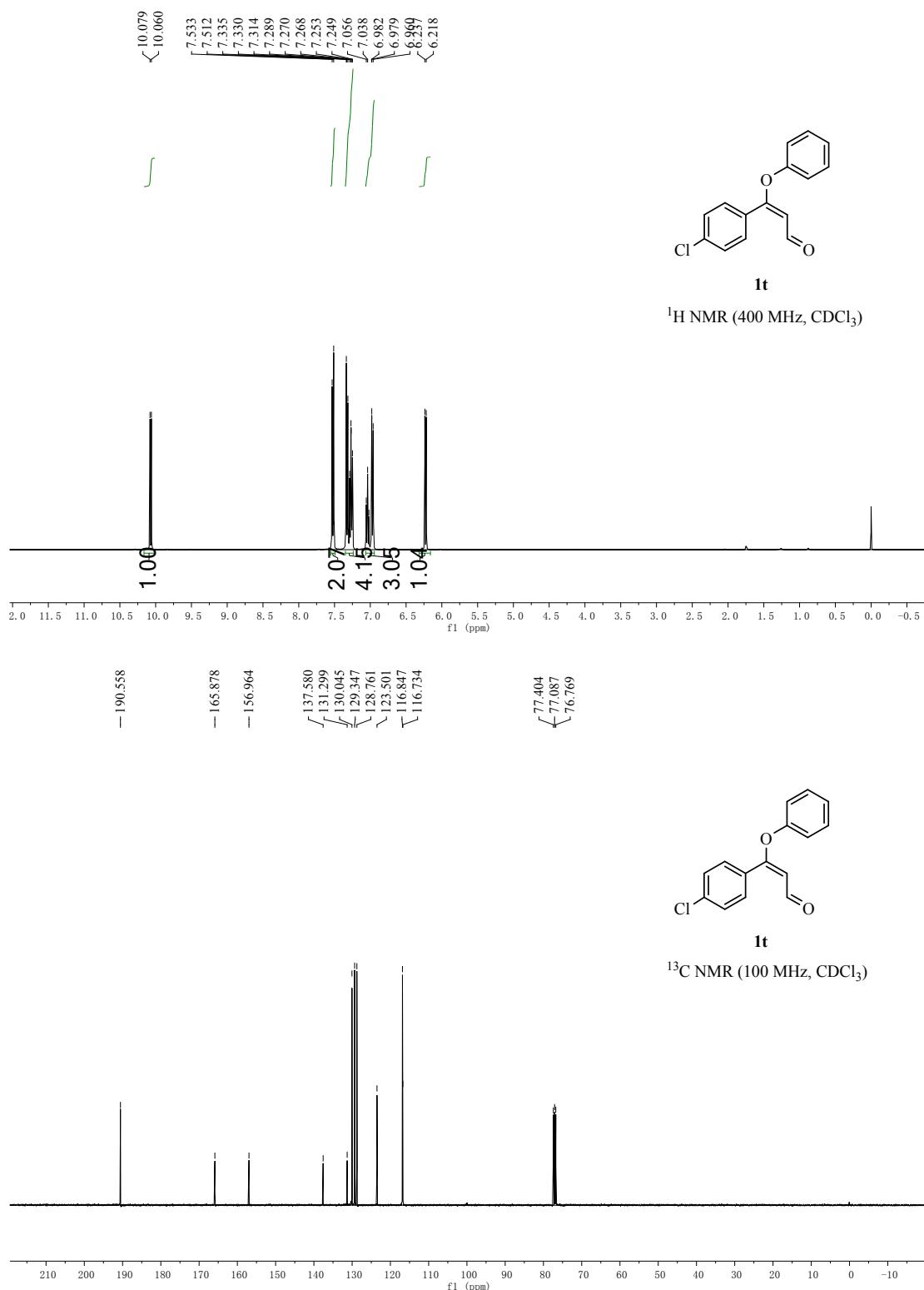
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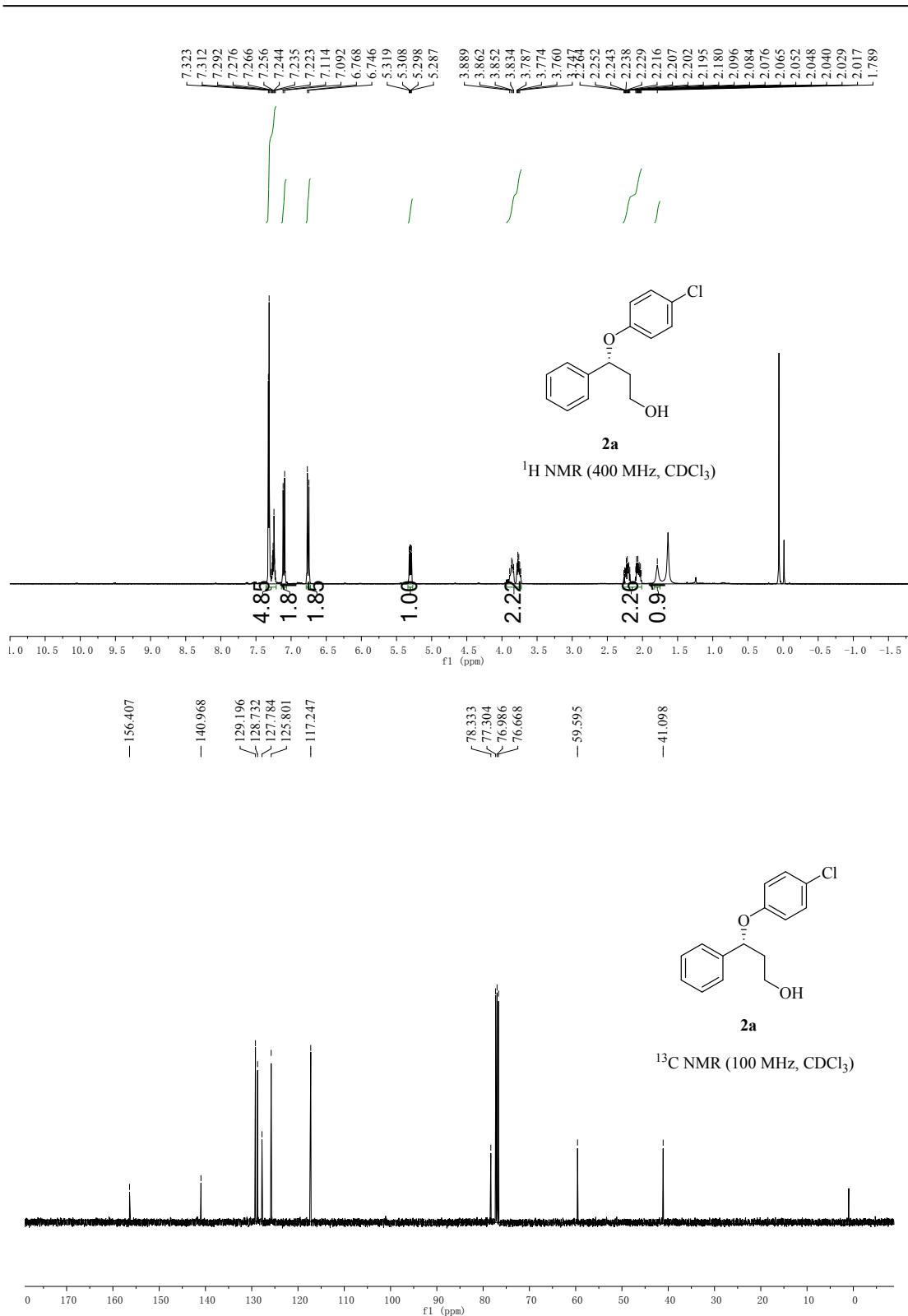


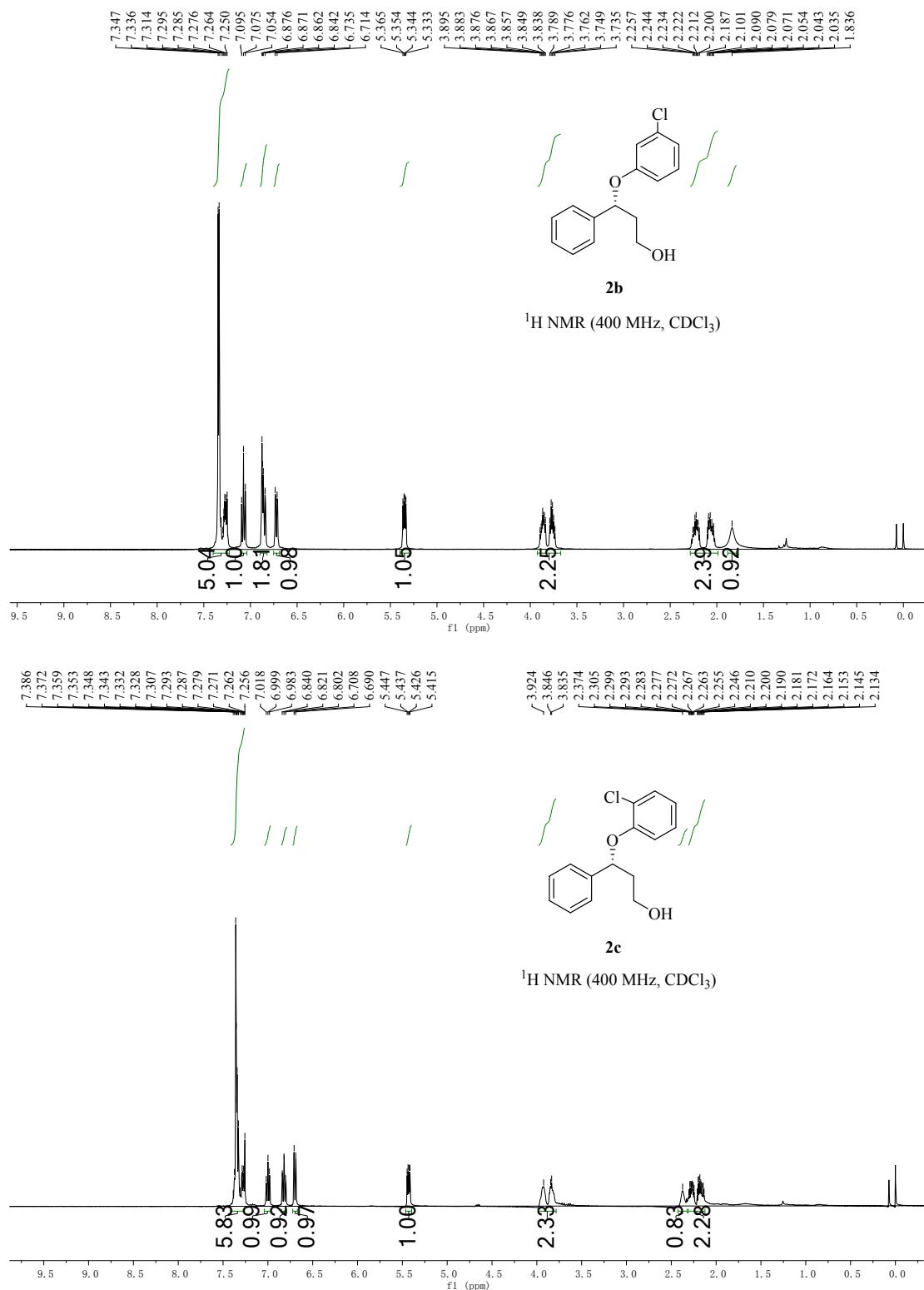


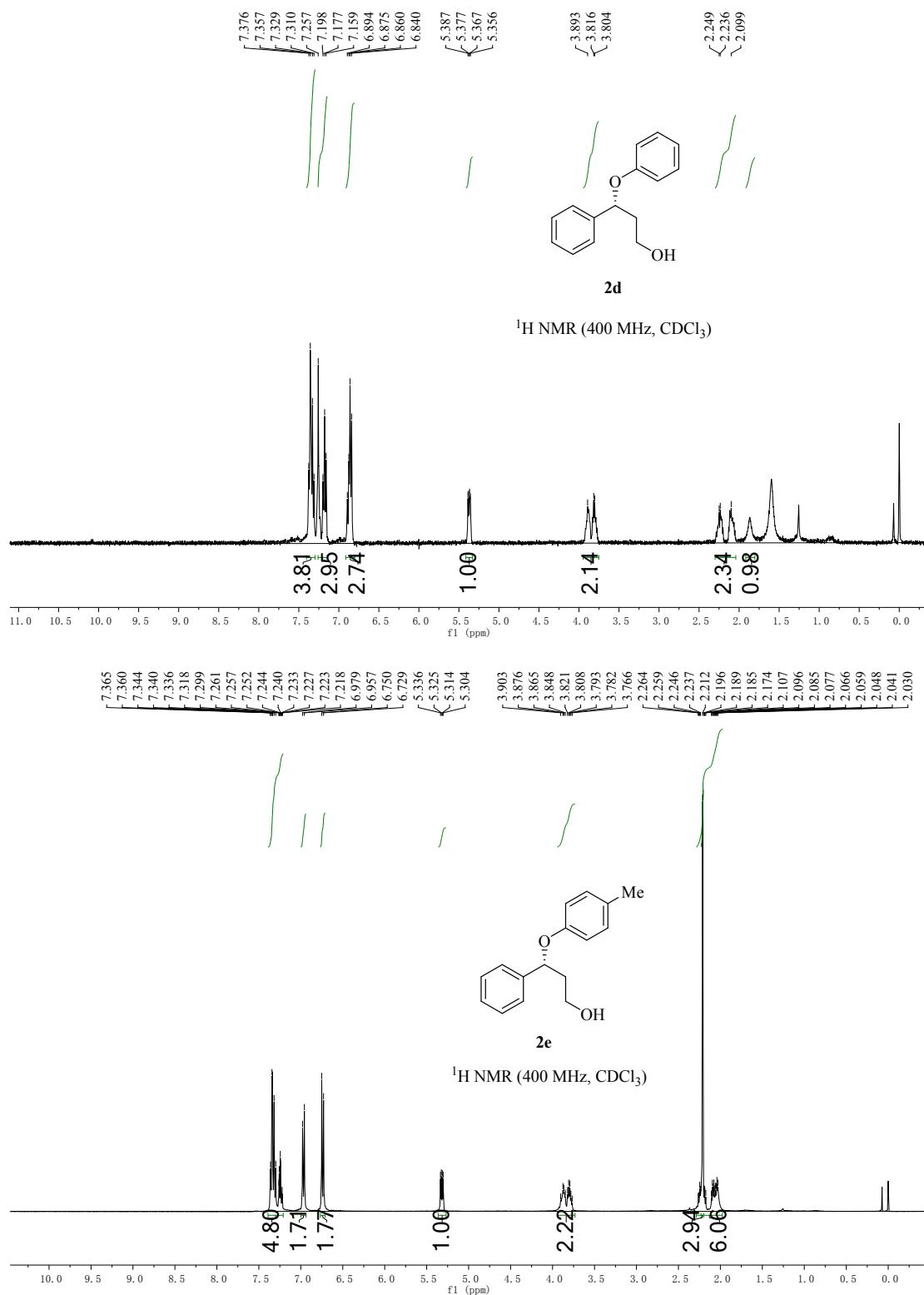


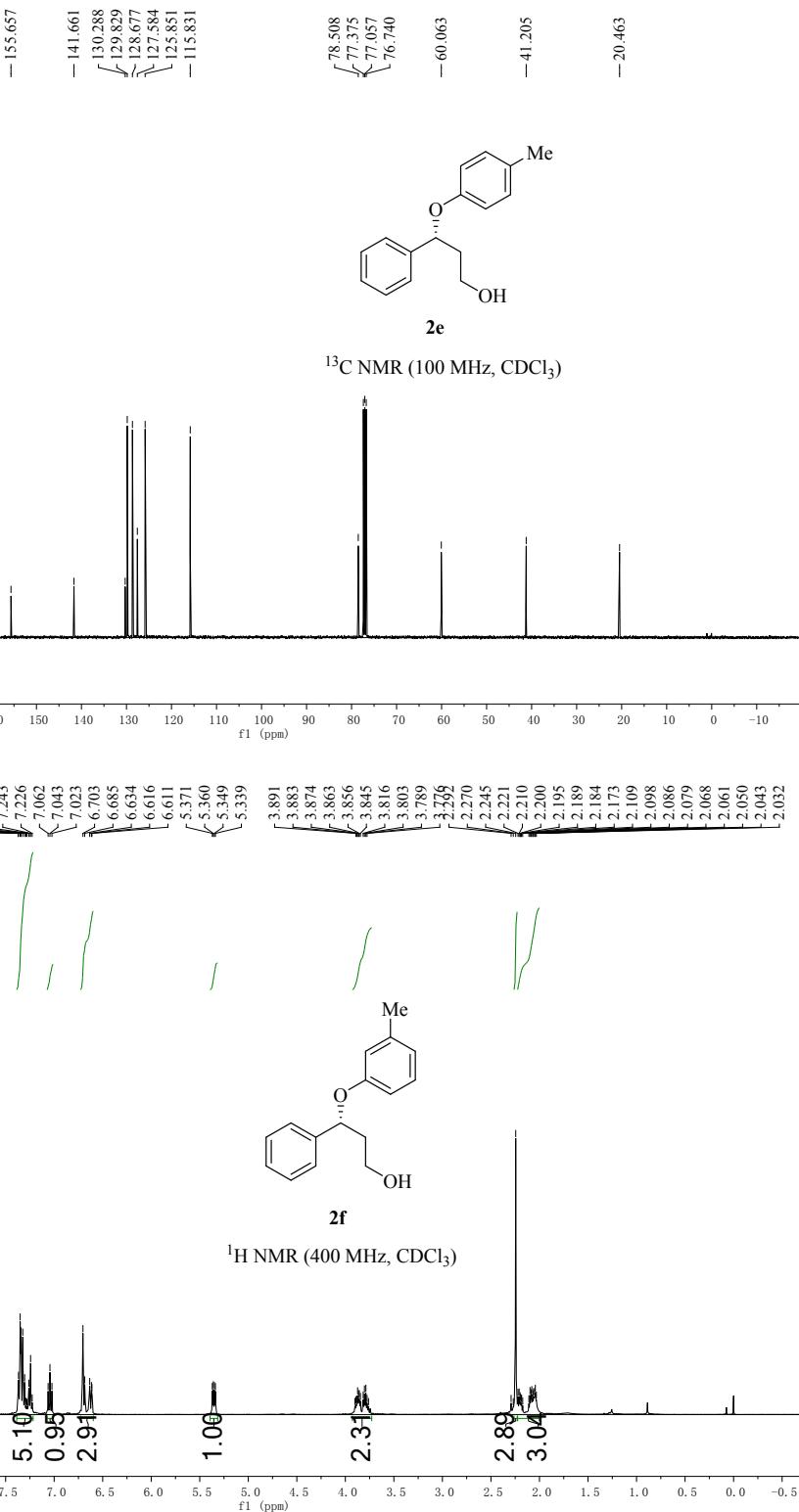


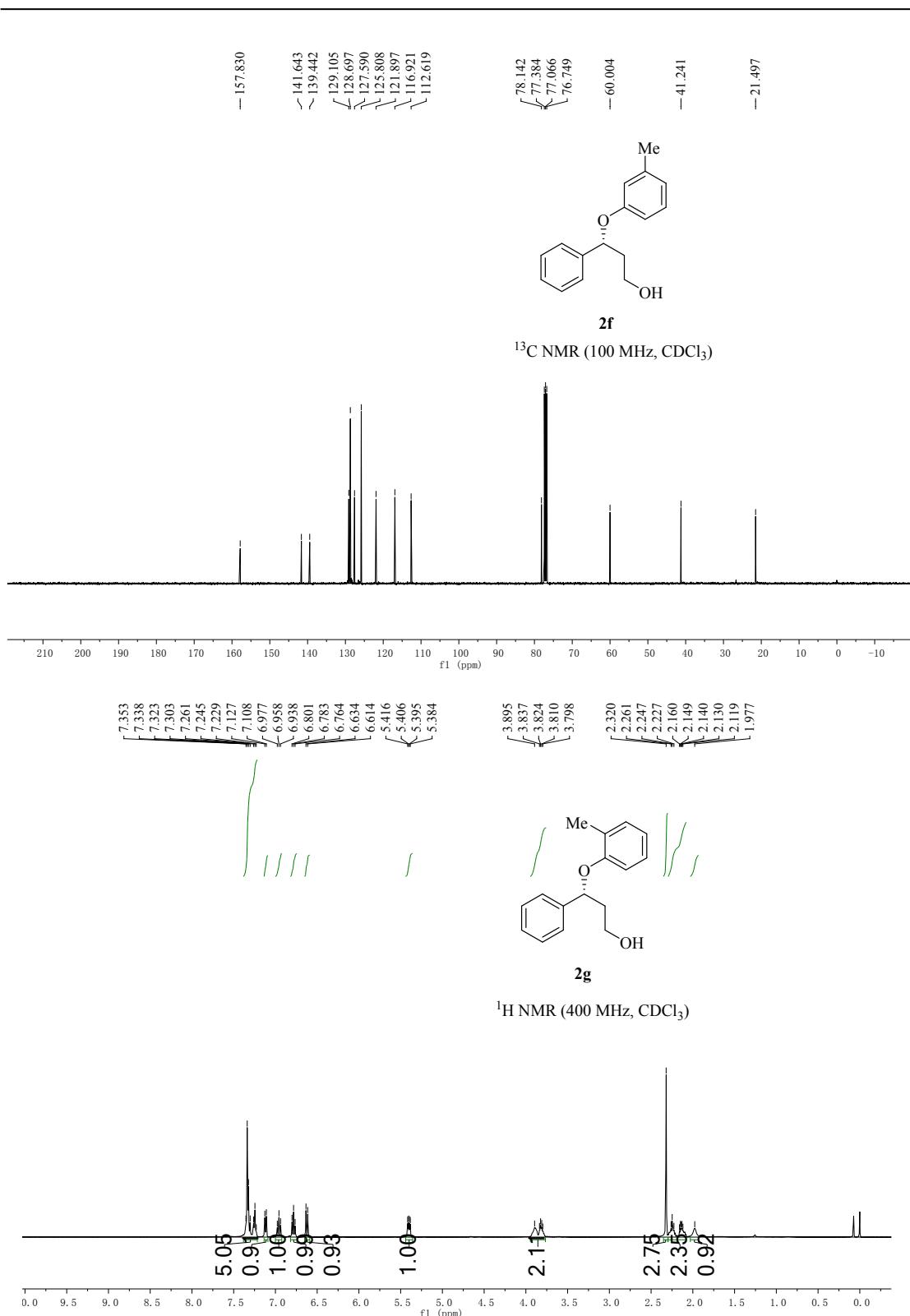


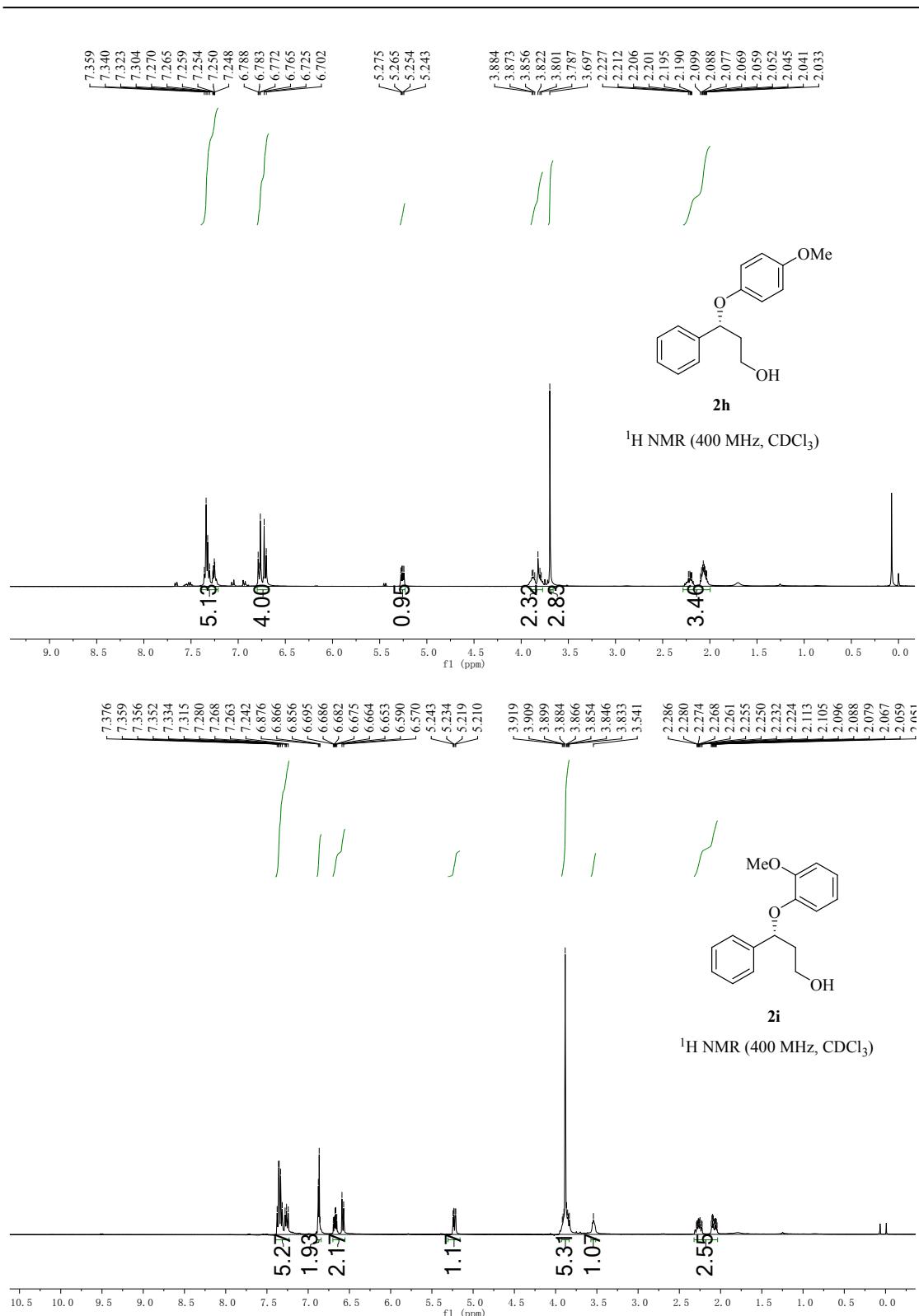


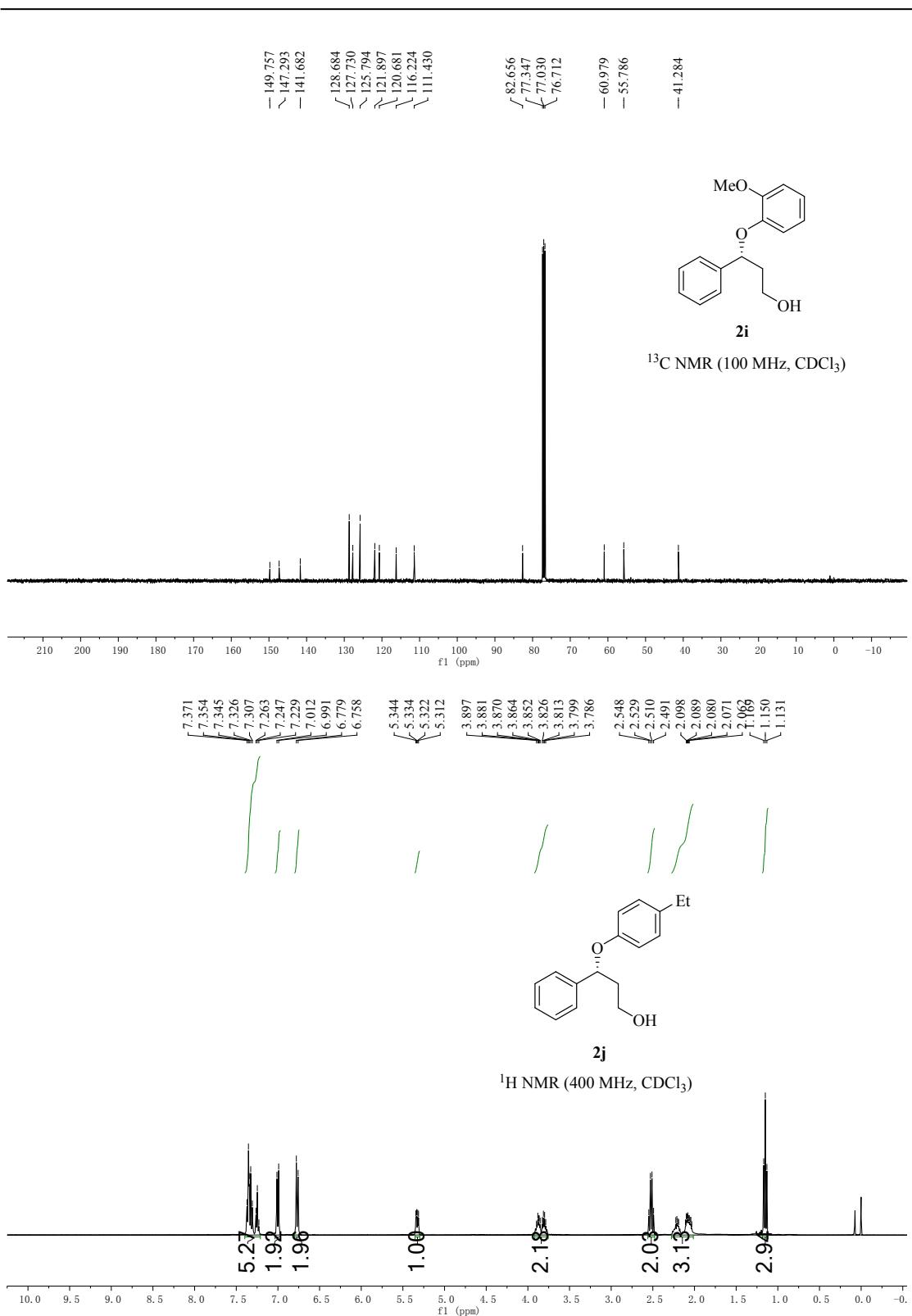




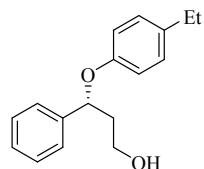






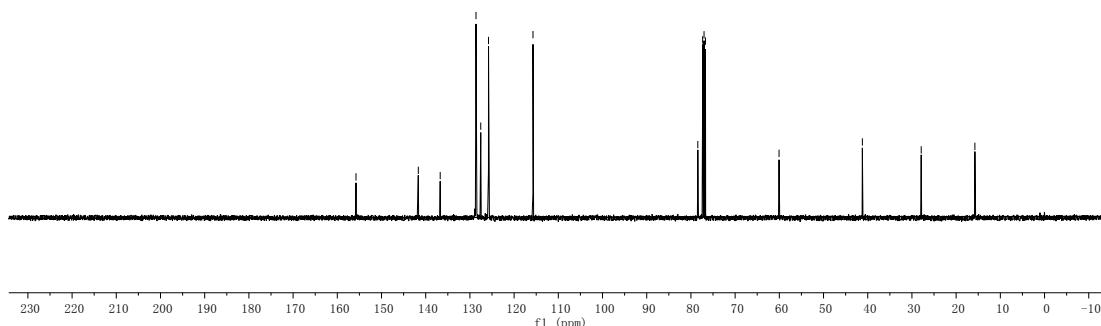


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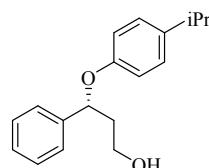
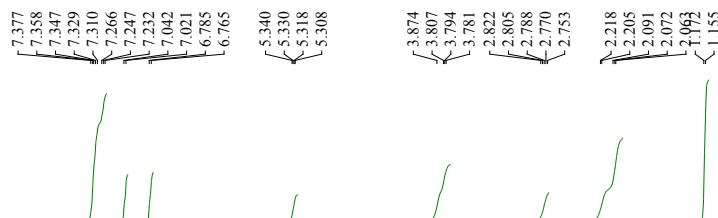


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^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3)

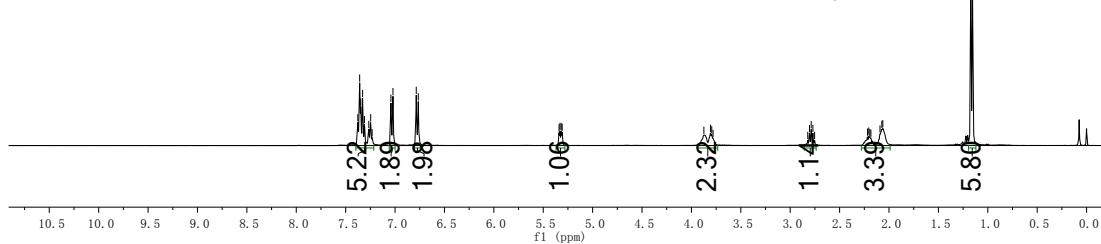


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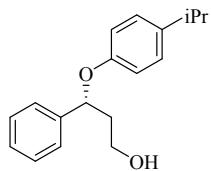


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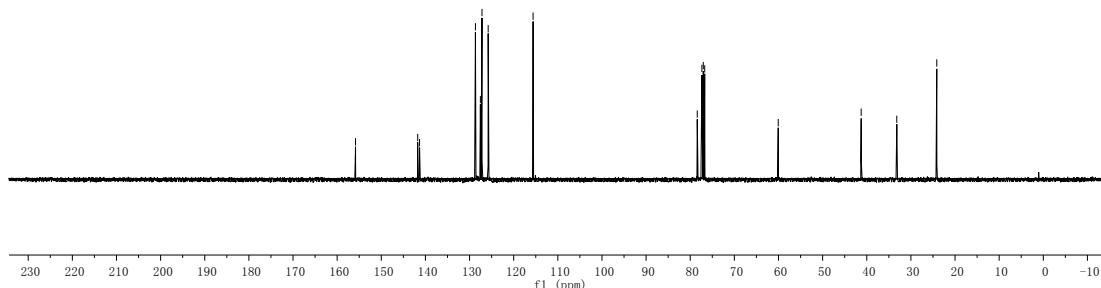


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 < 127.549
 \ 127.182
\ 125.781
- 115.604



2k

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

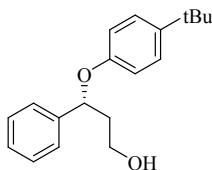


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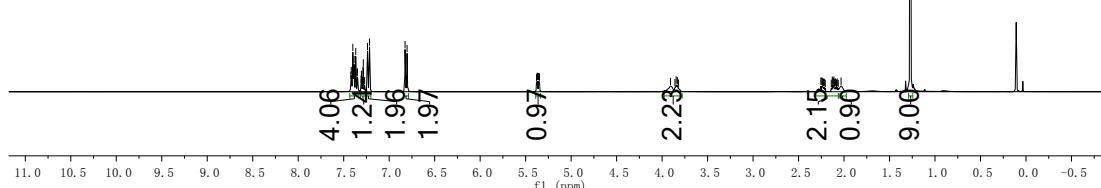
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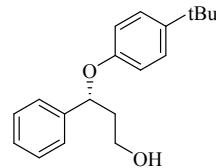
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¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃)

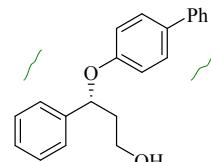
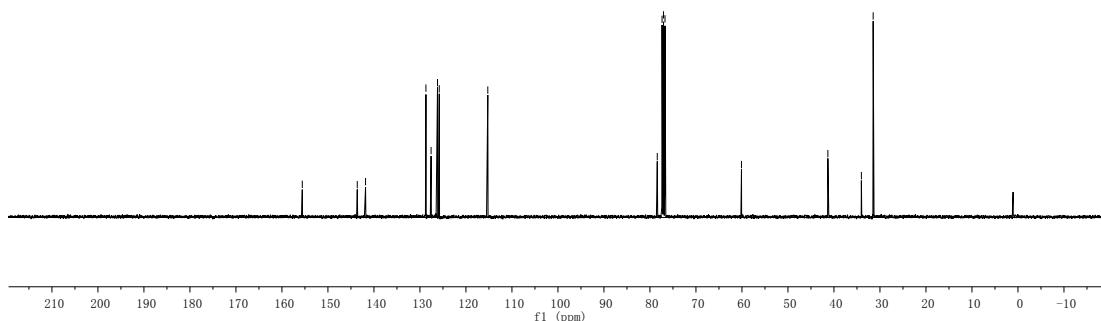


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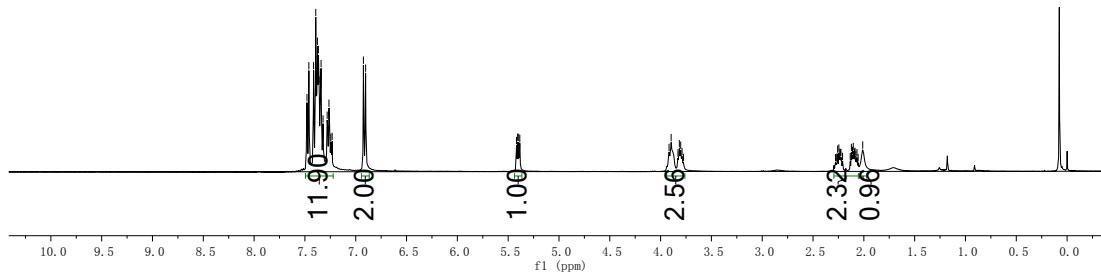
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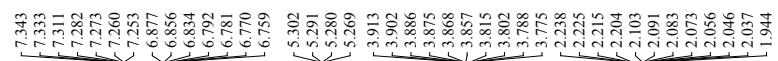
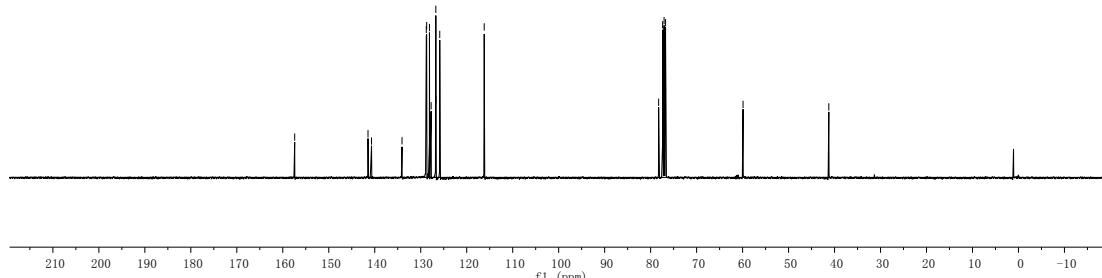


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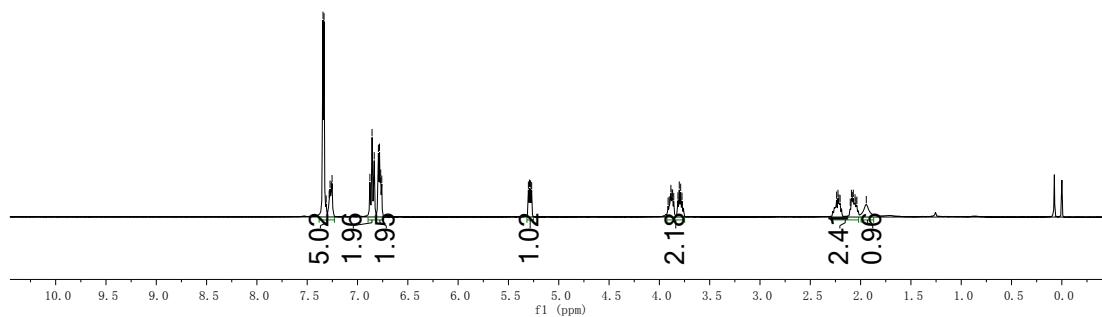




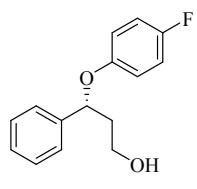
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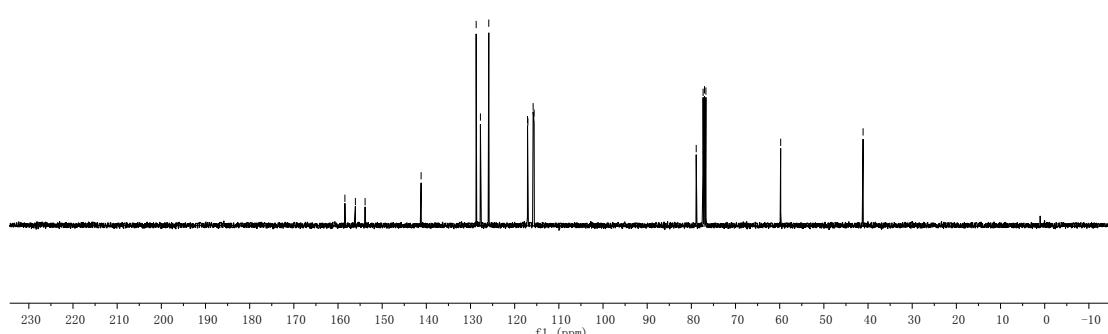
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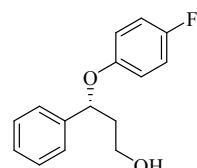
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 77.024
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 — 41.120



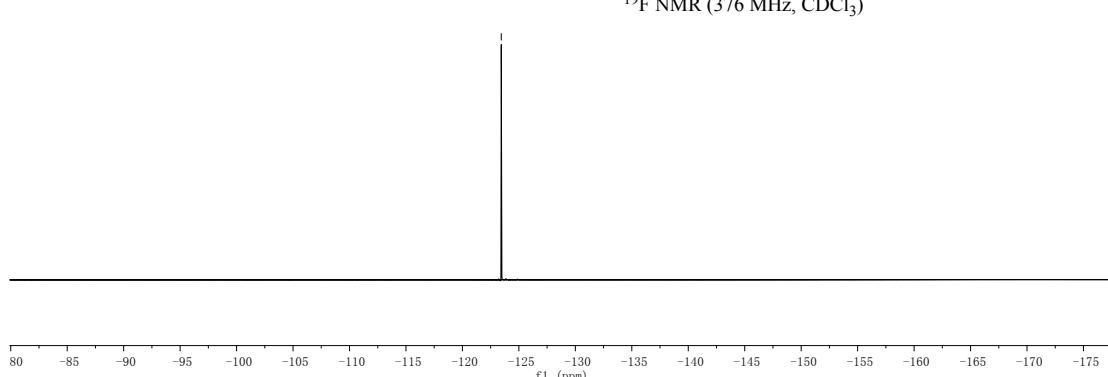
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— 123.441



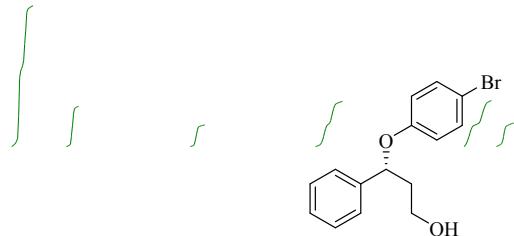
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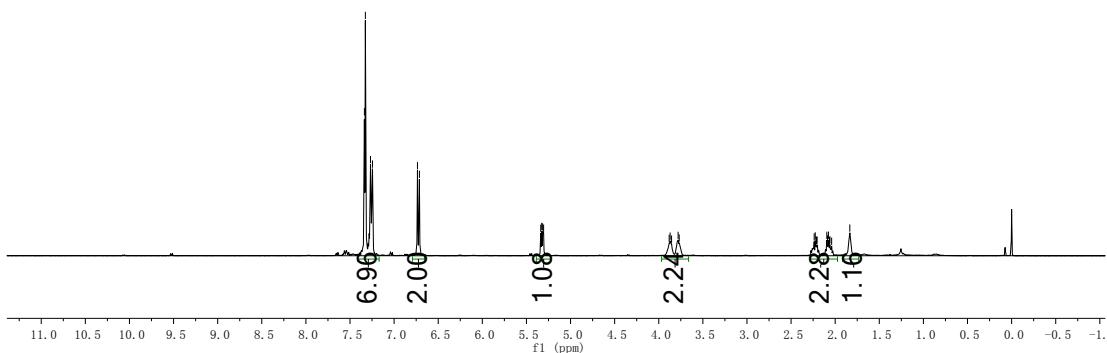
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3.871
3.855
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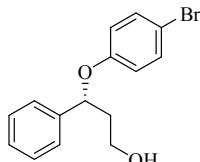


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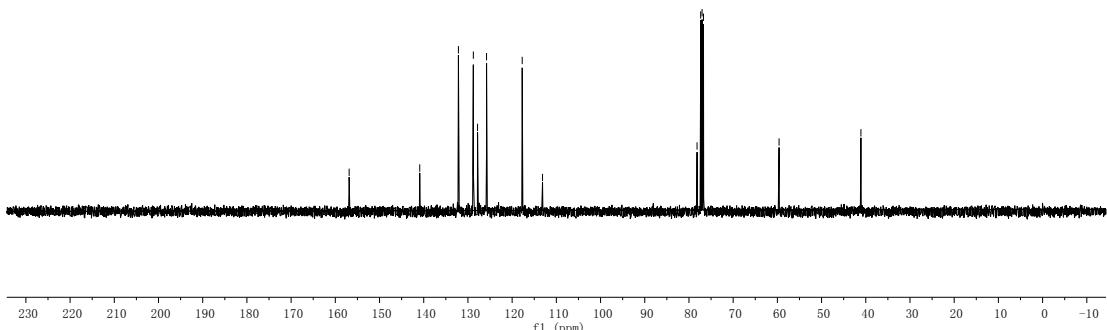
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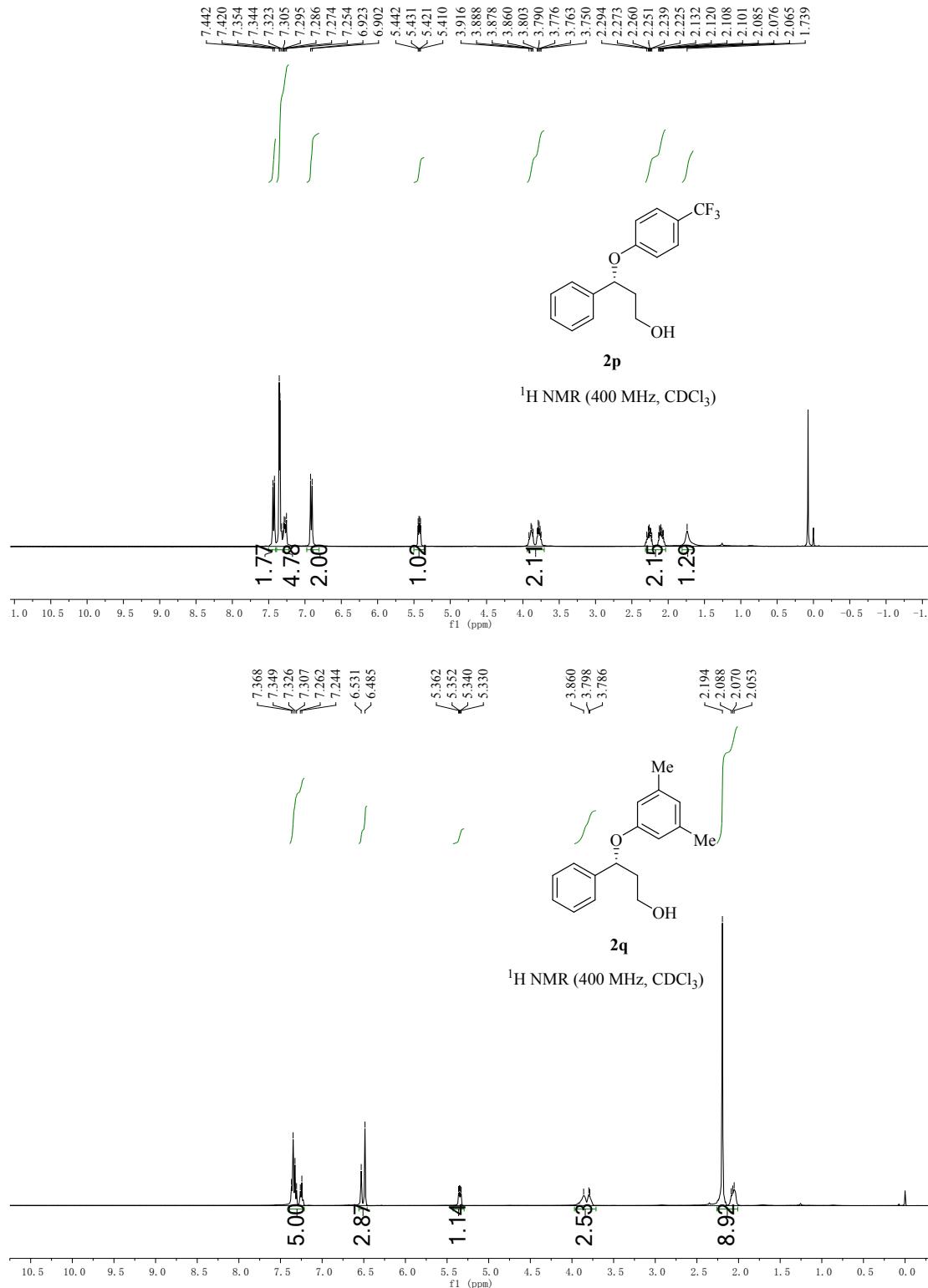
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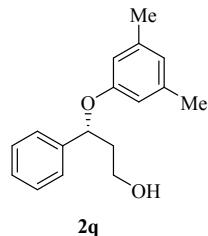
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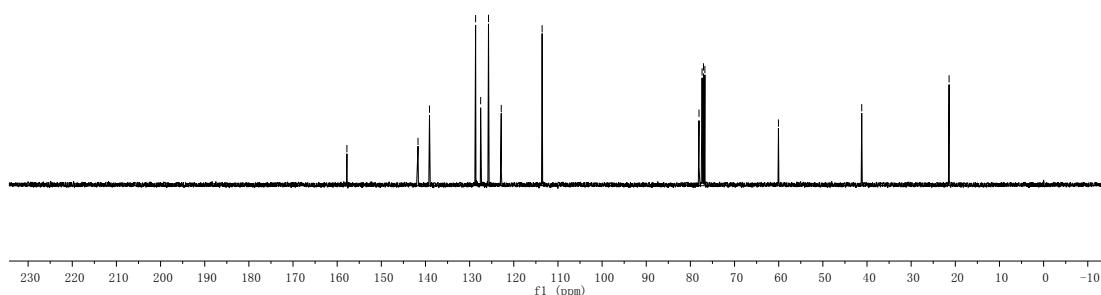




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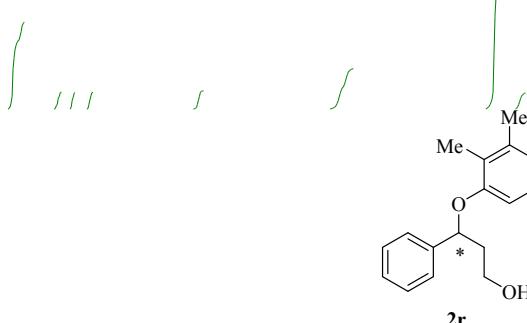
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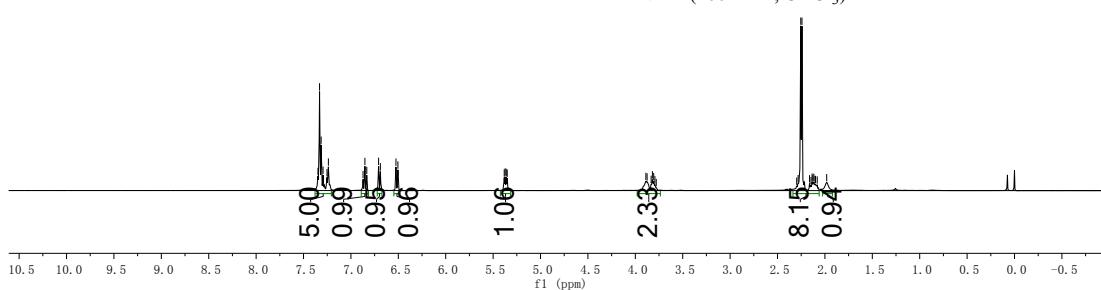
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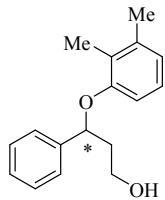


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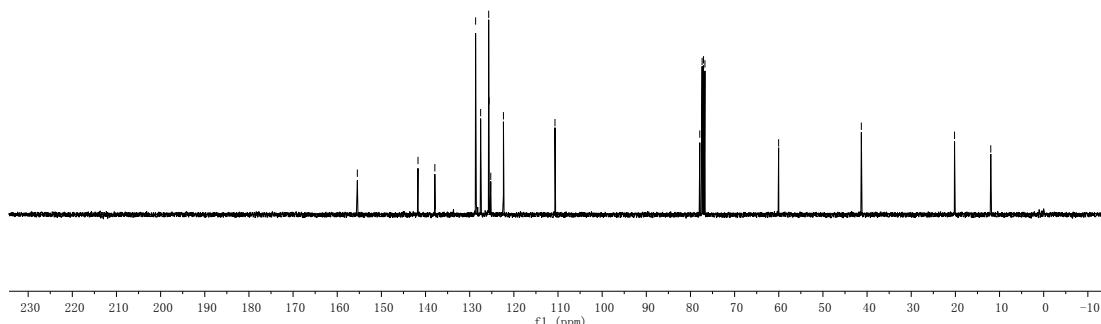
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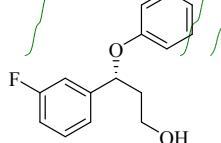


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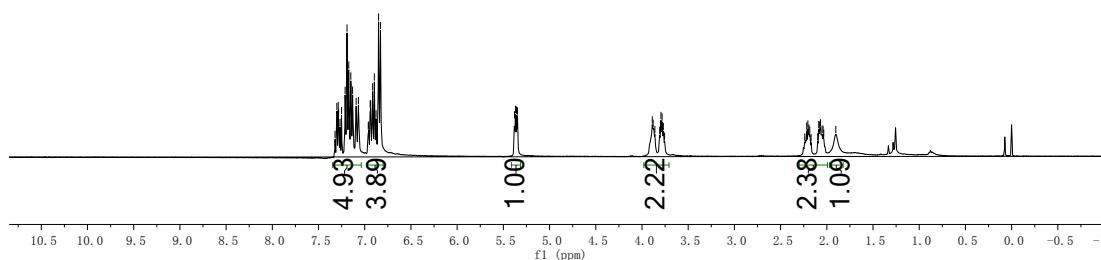


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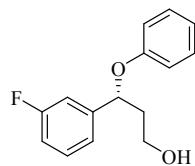


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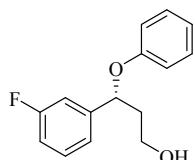
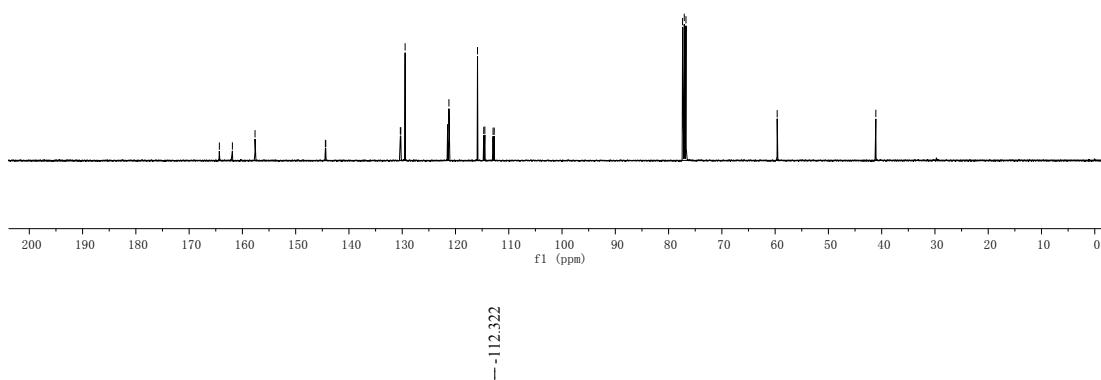
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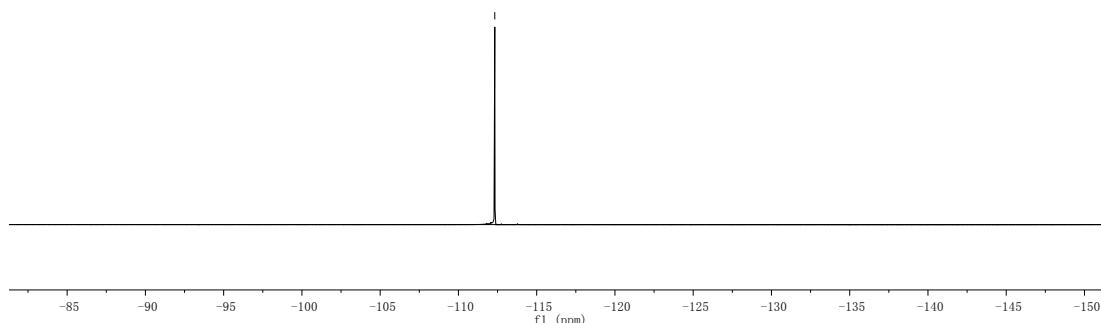
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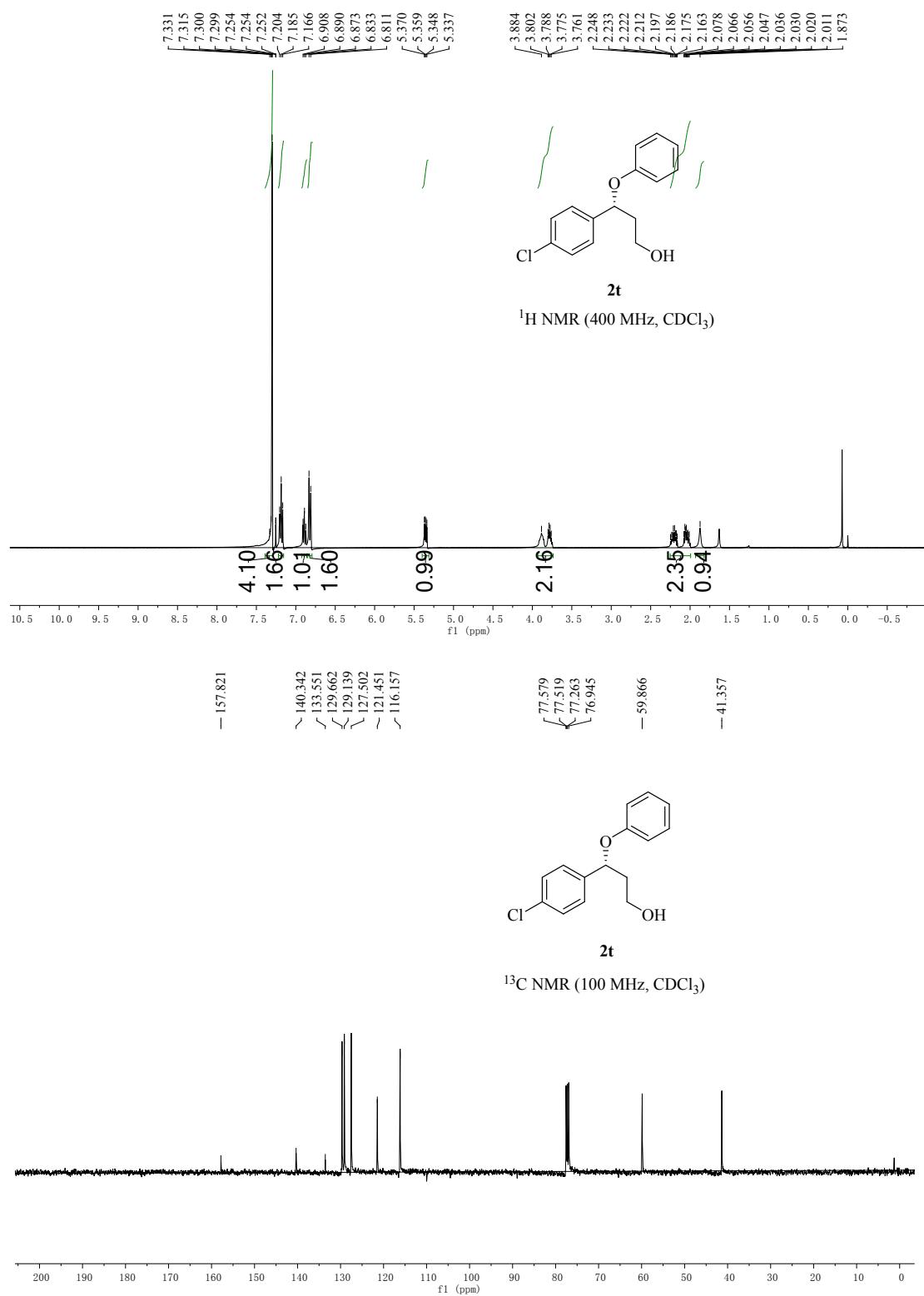


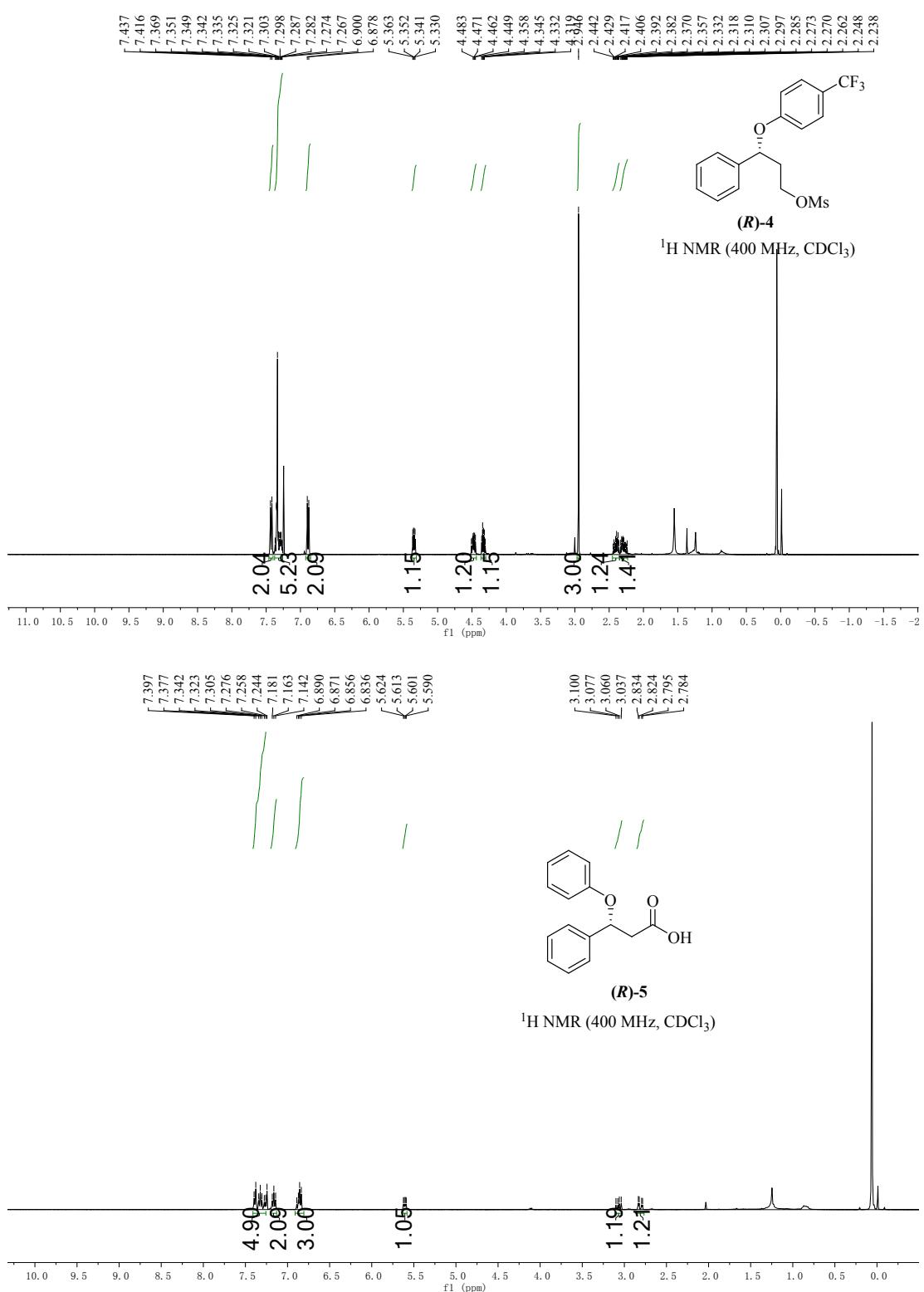
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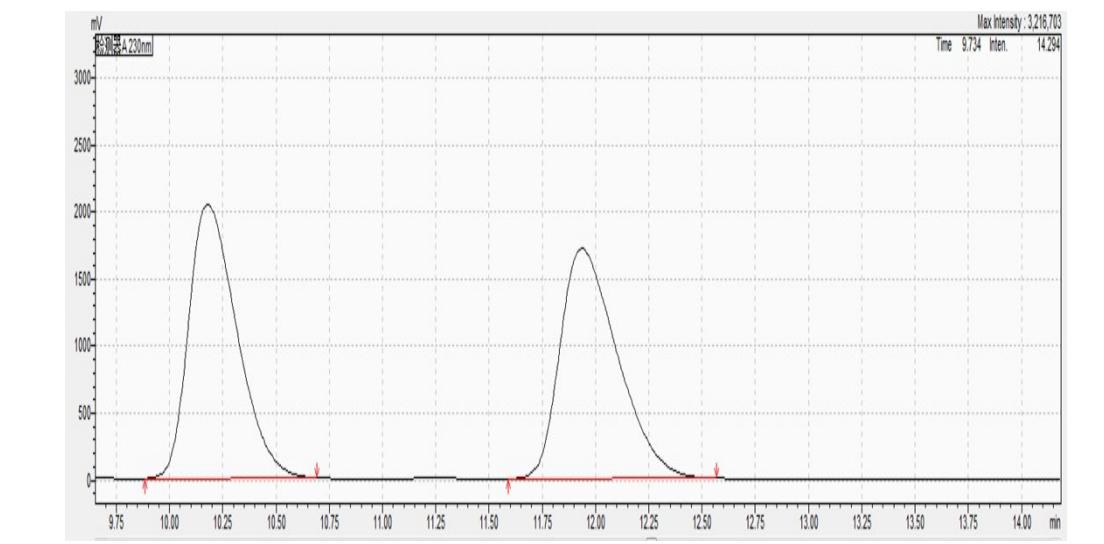
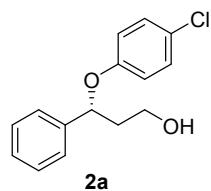
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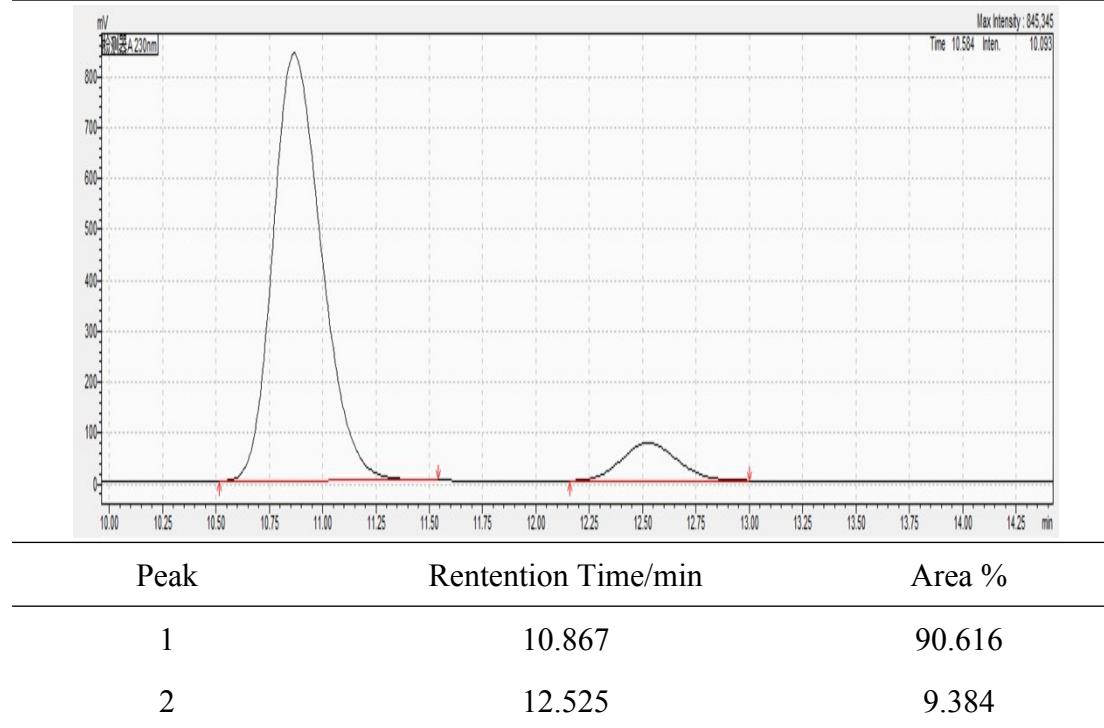


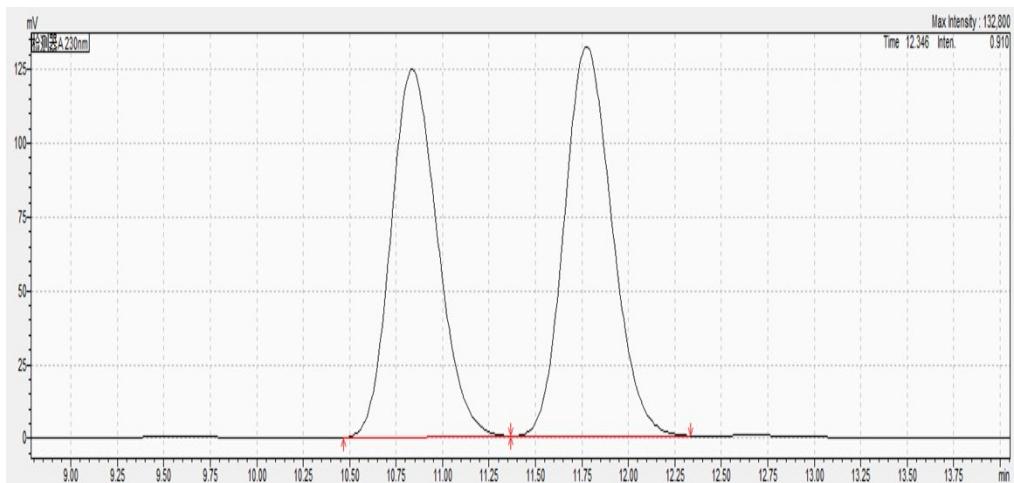
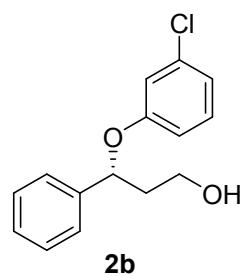


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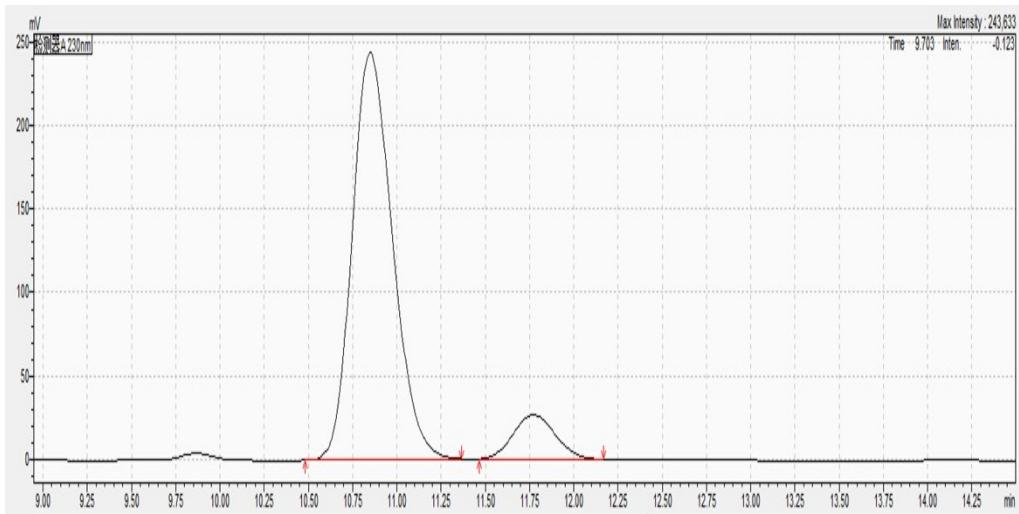


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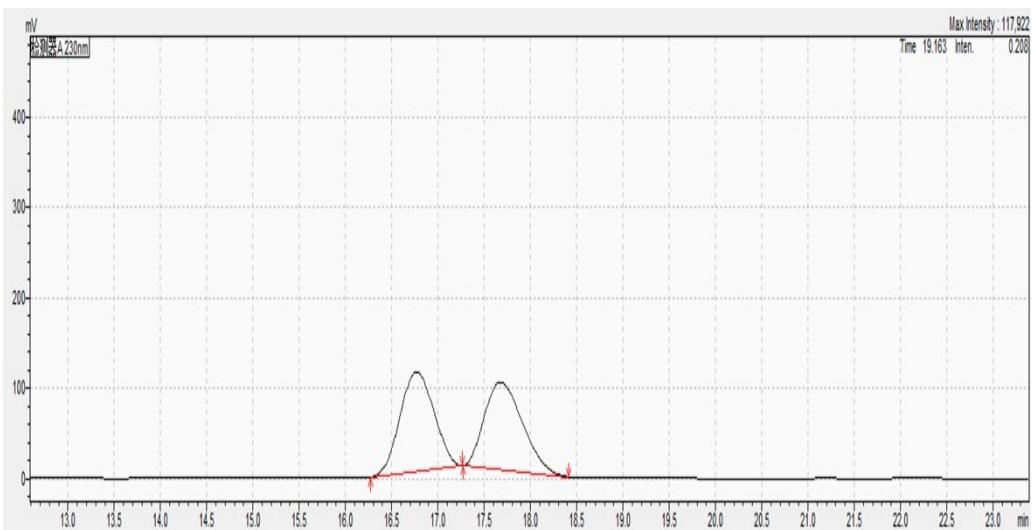
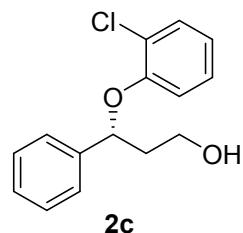




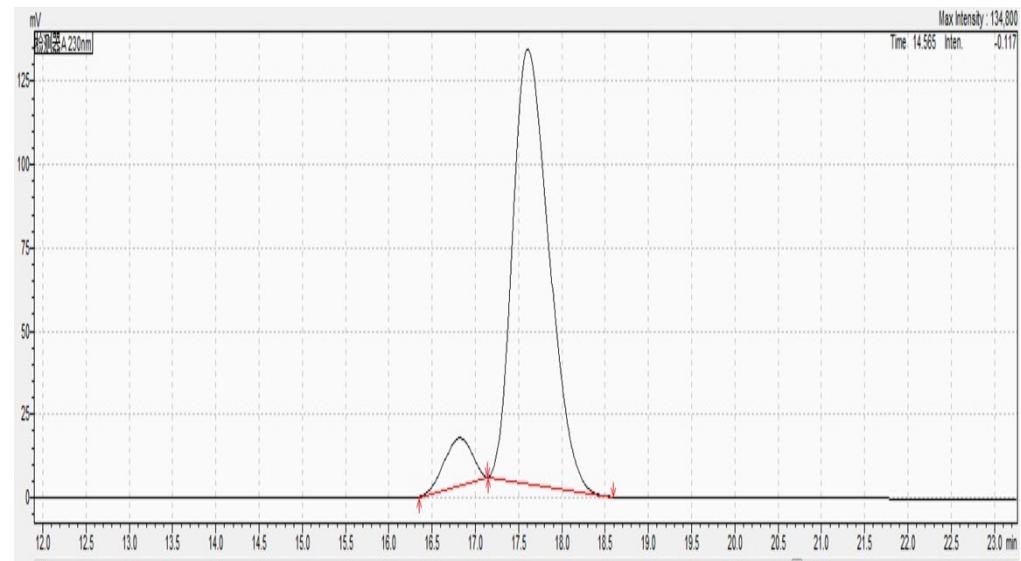
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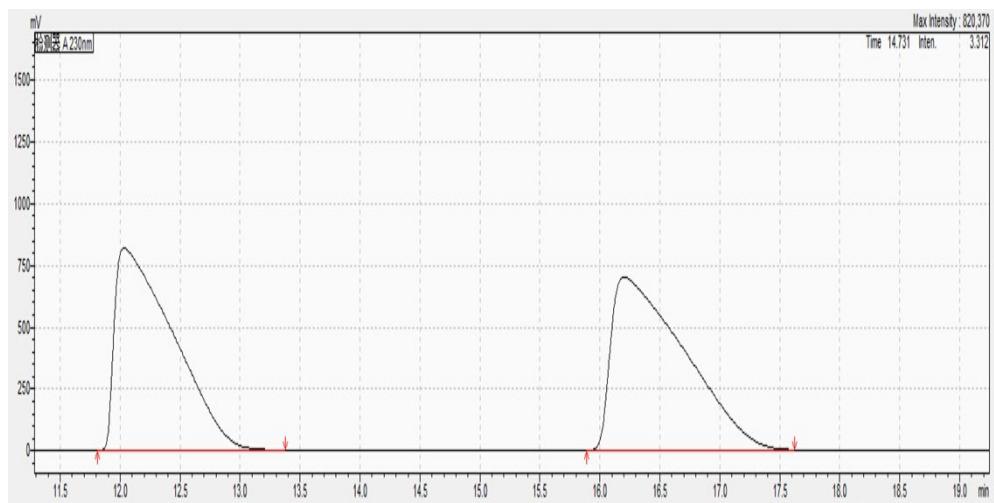
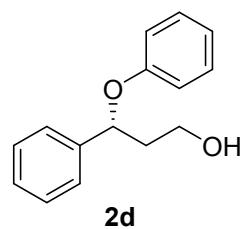
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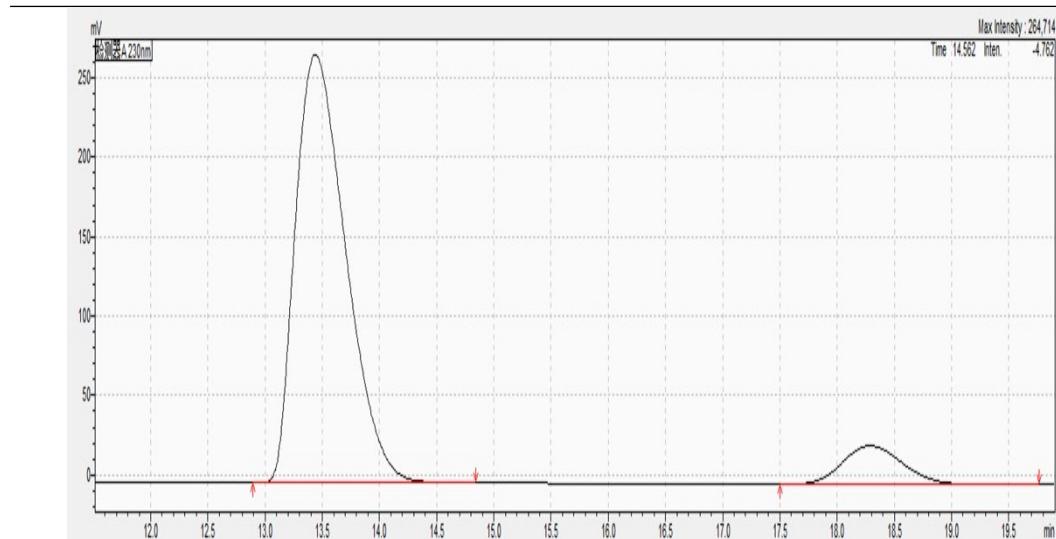
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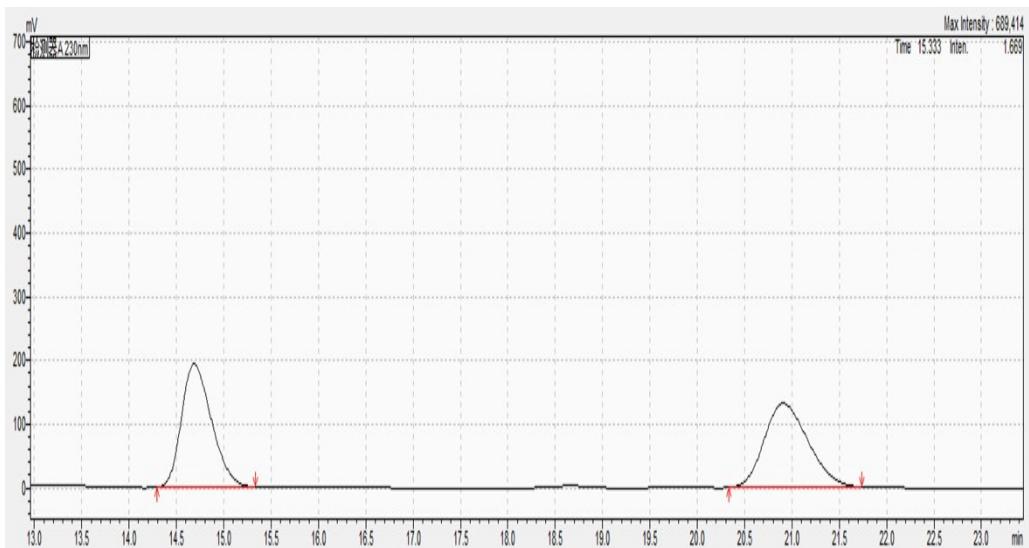
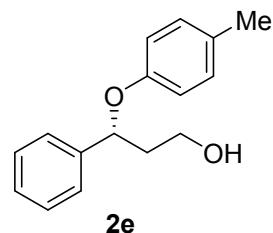
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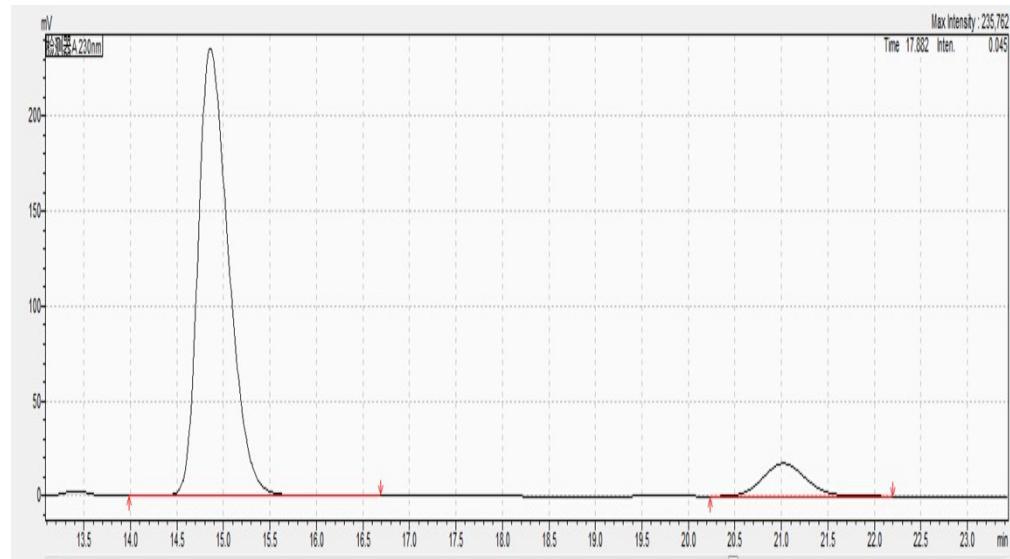
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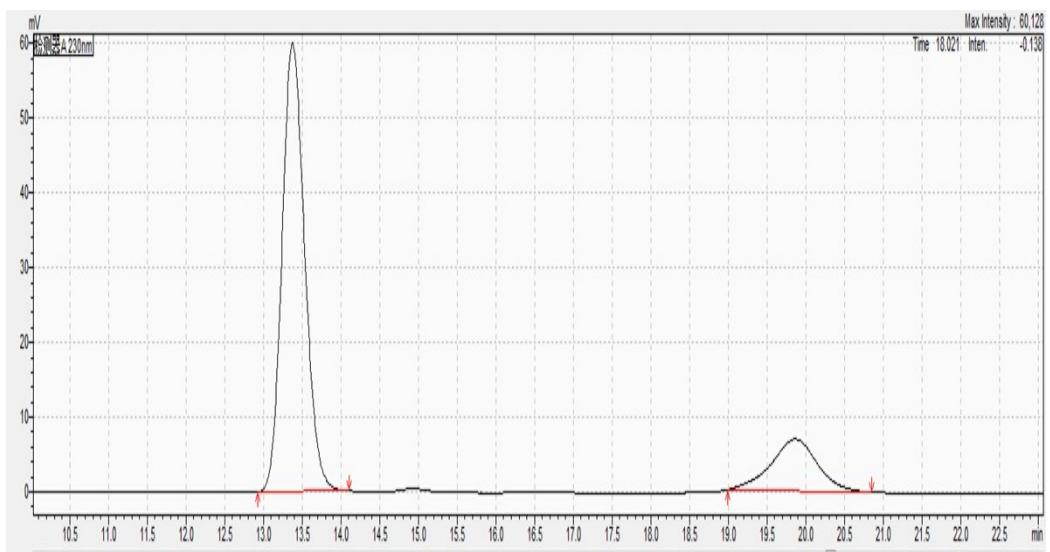
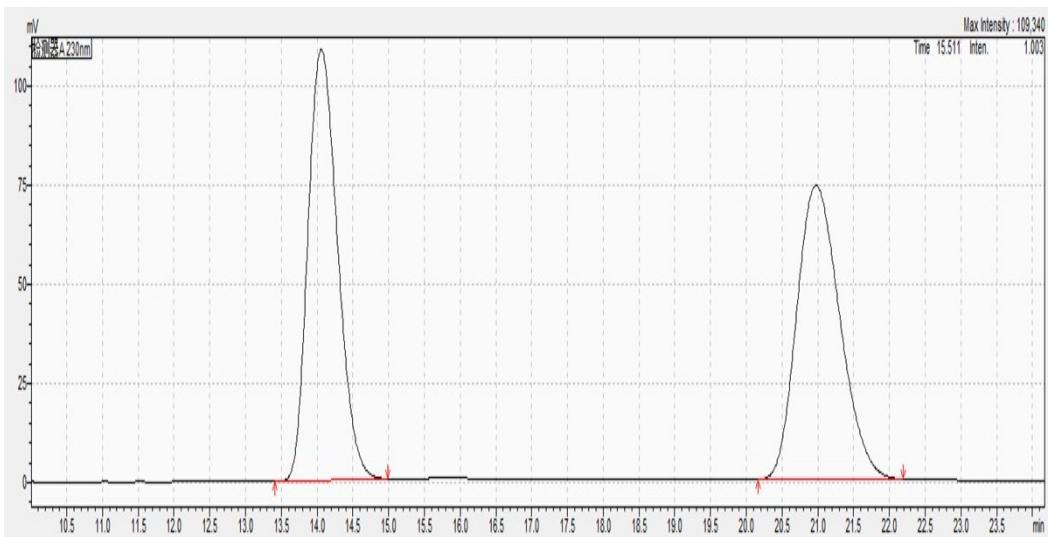
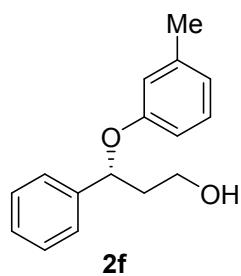
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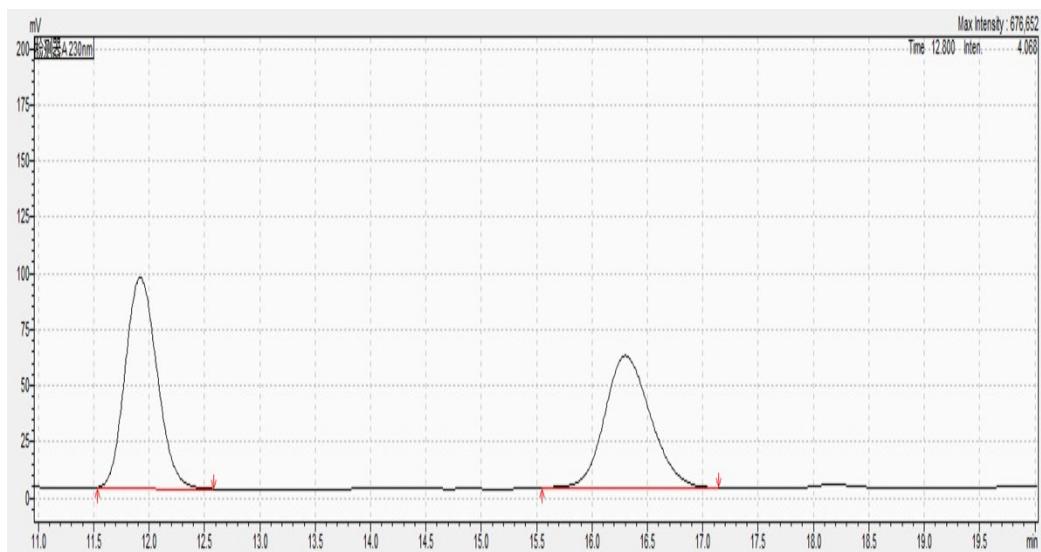
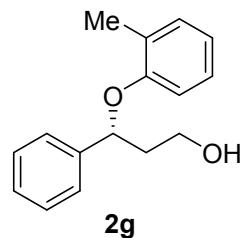


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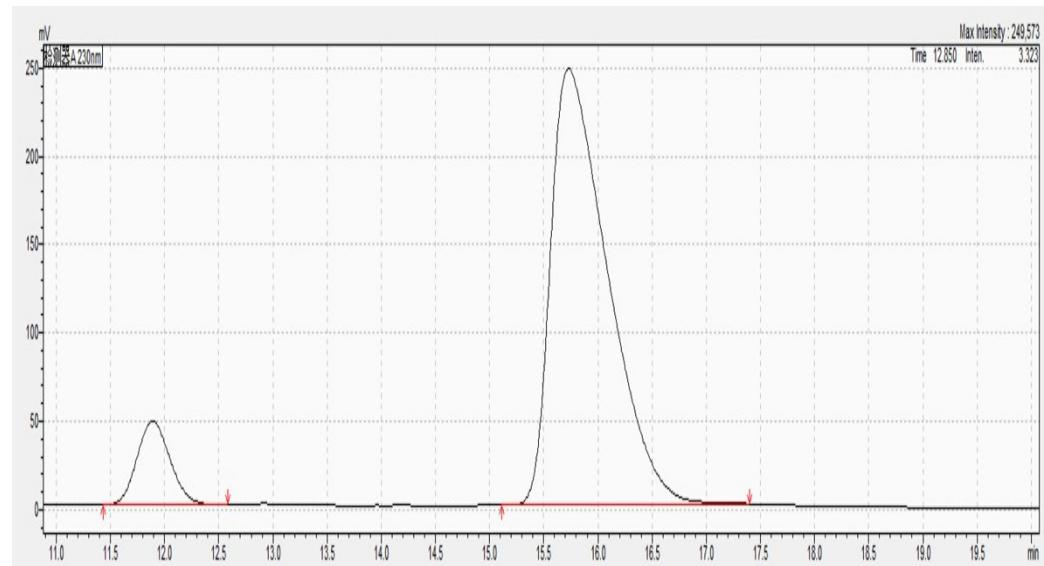


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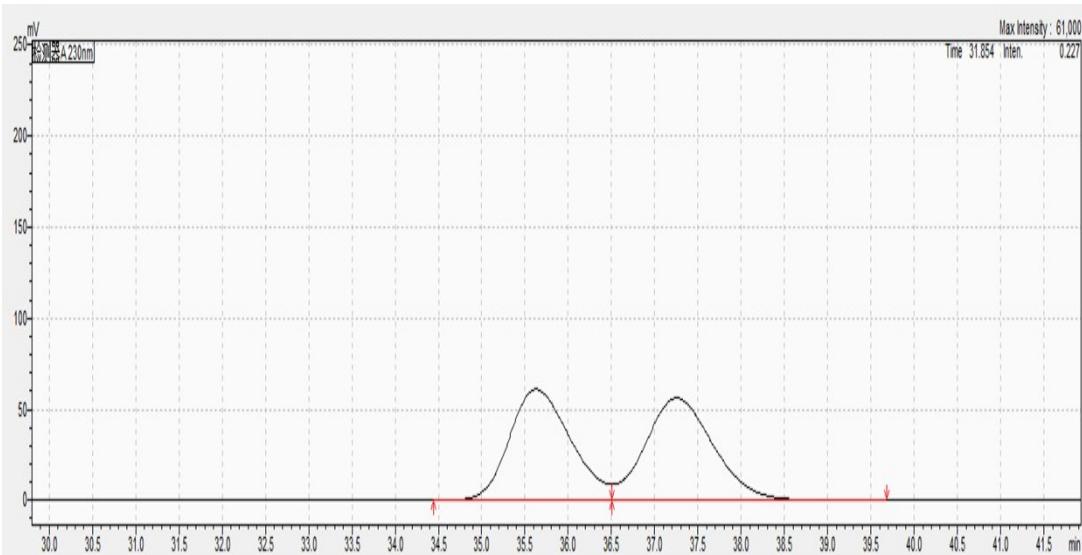
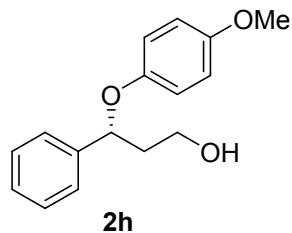




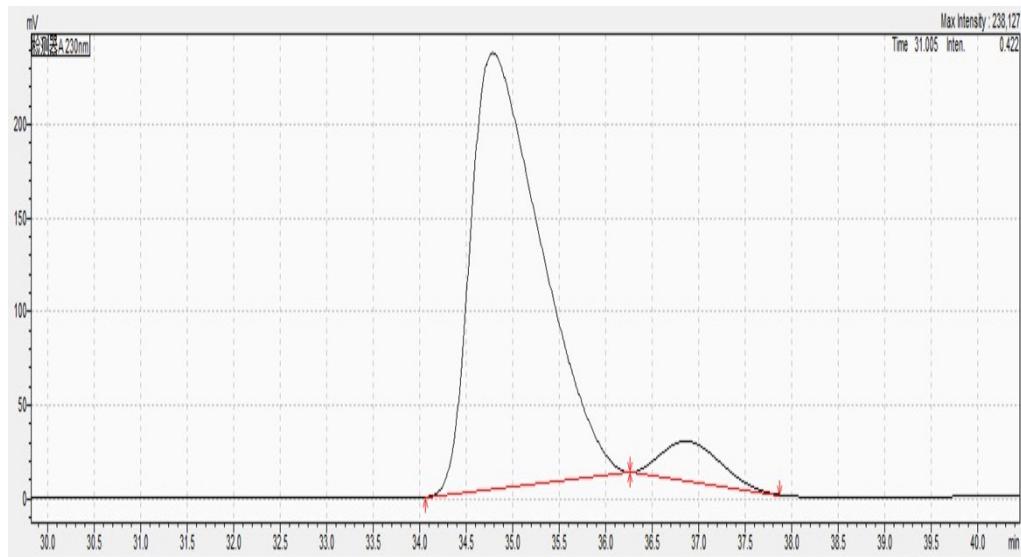
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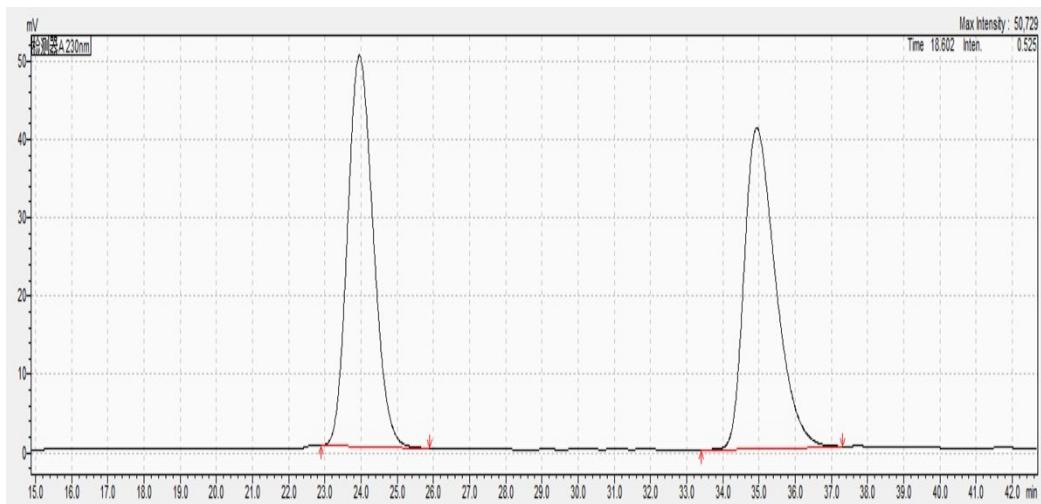
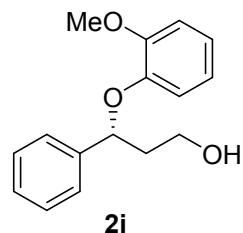
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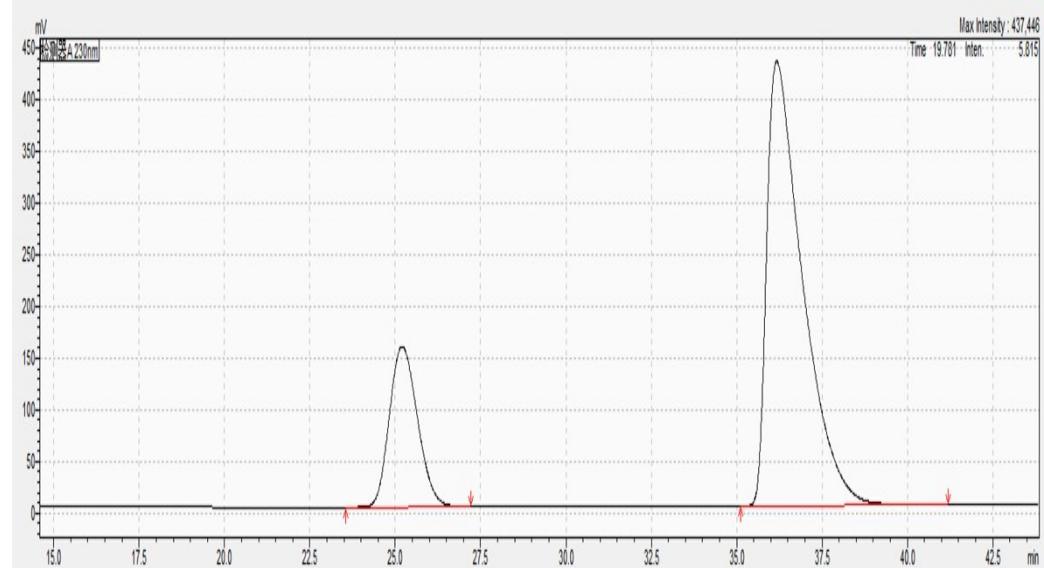
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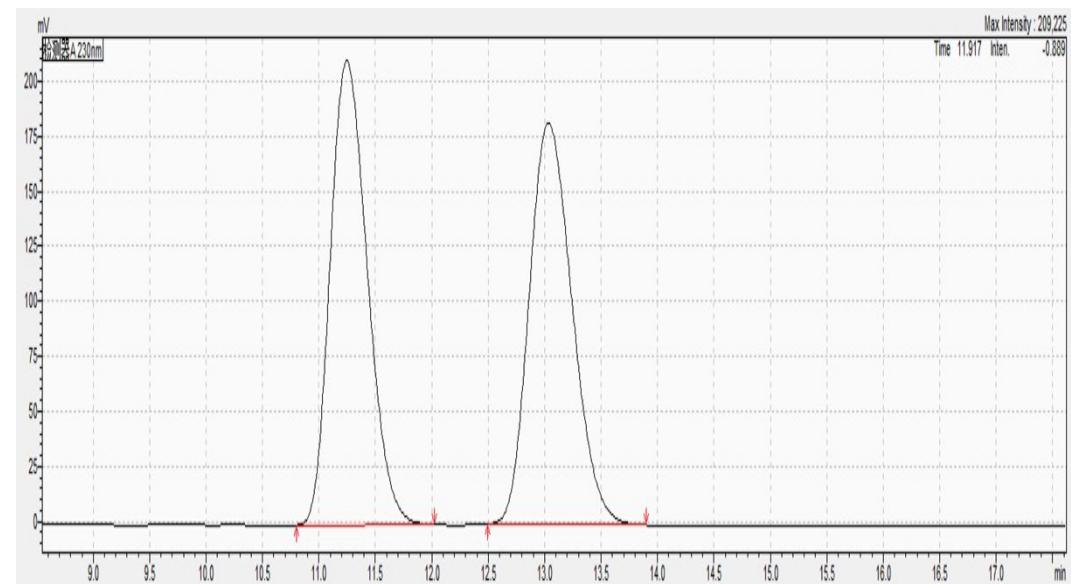
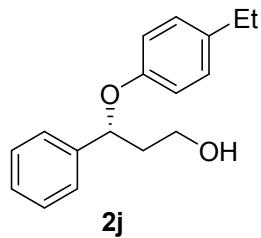
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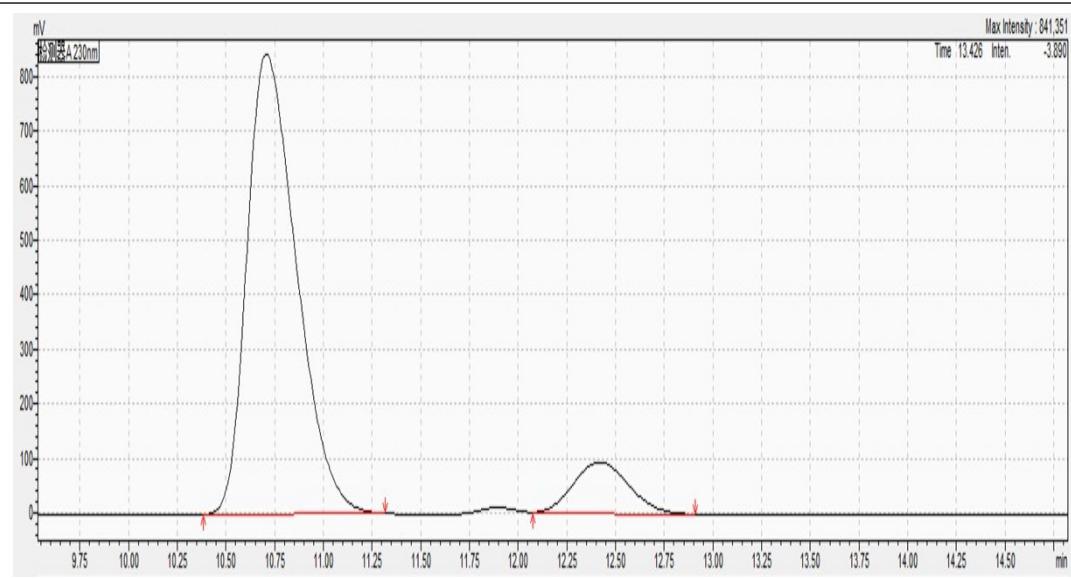
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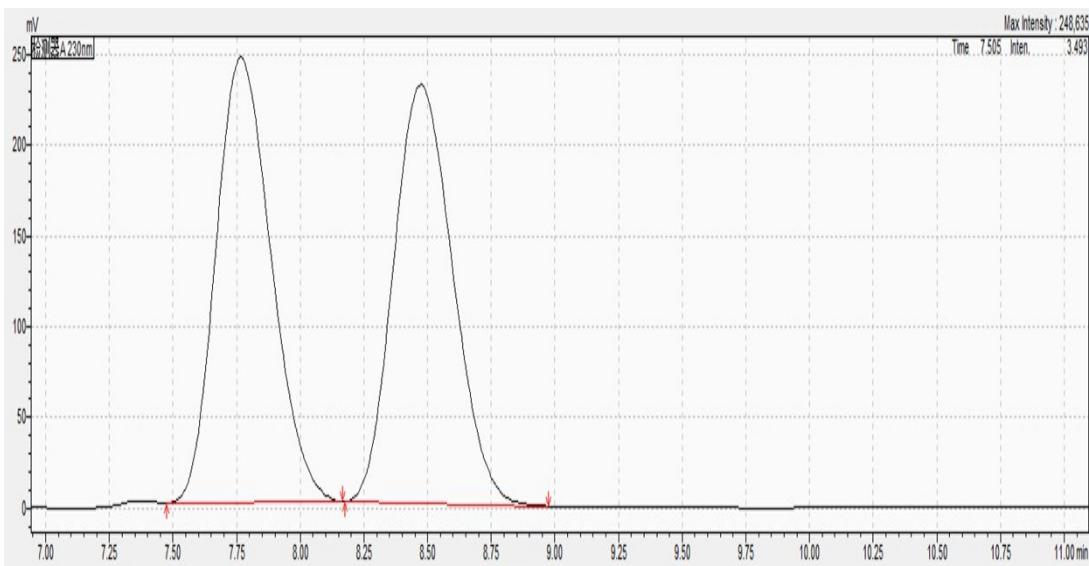
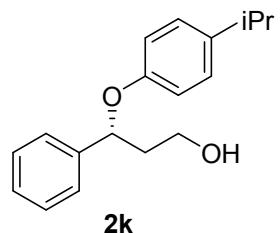
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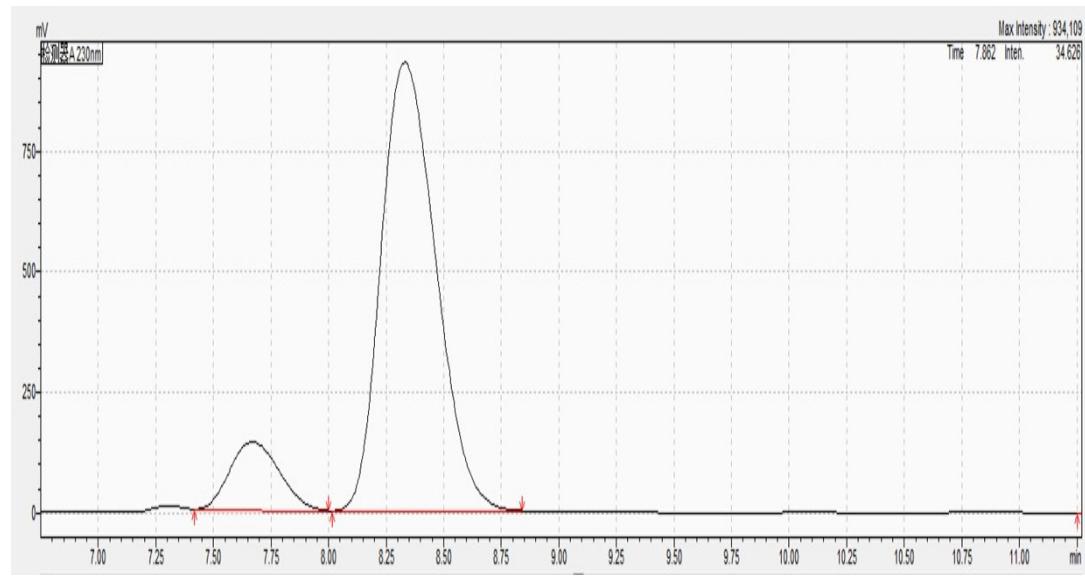
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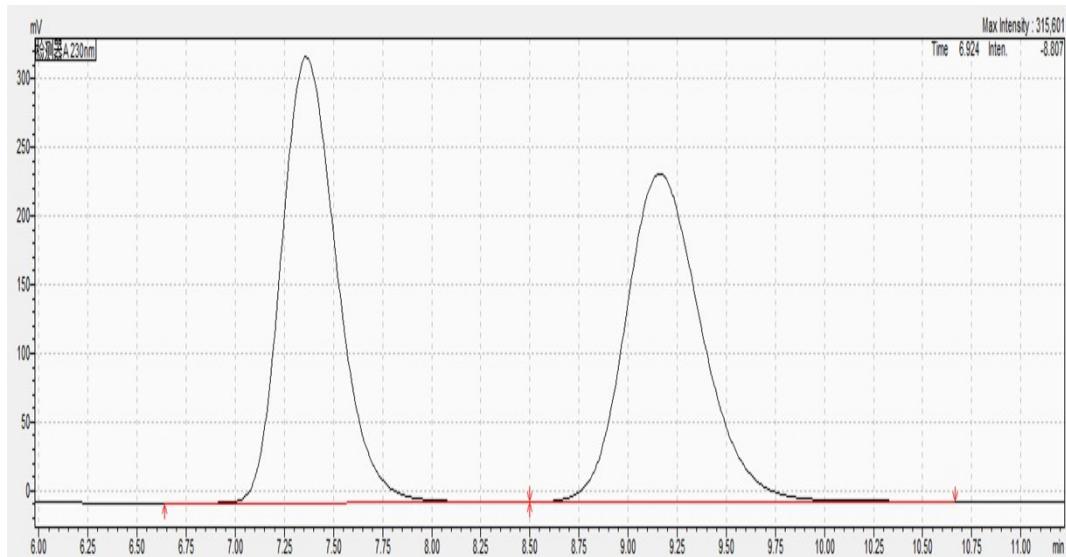
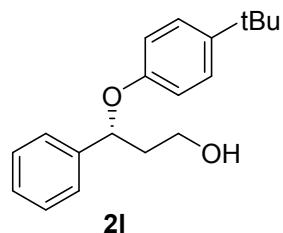
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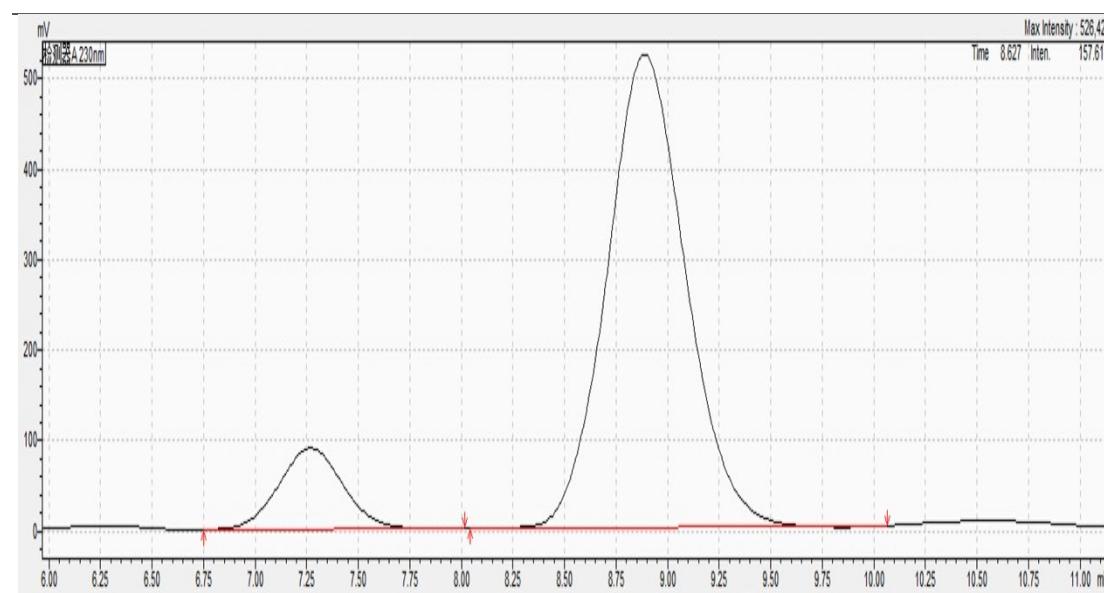
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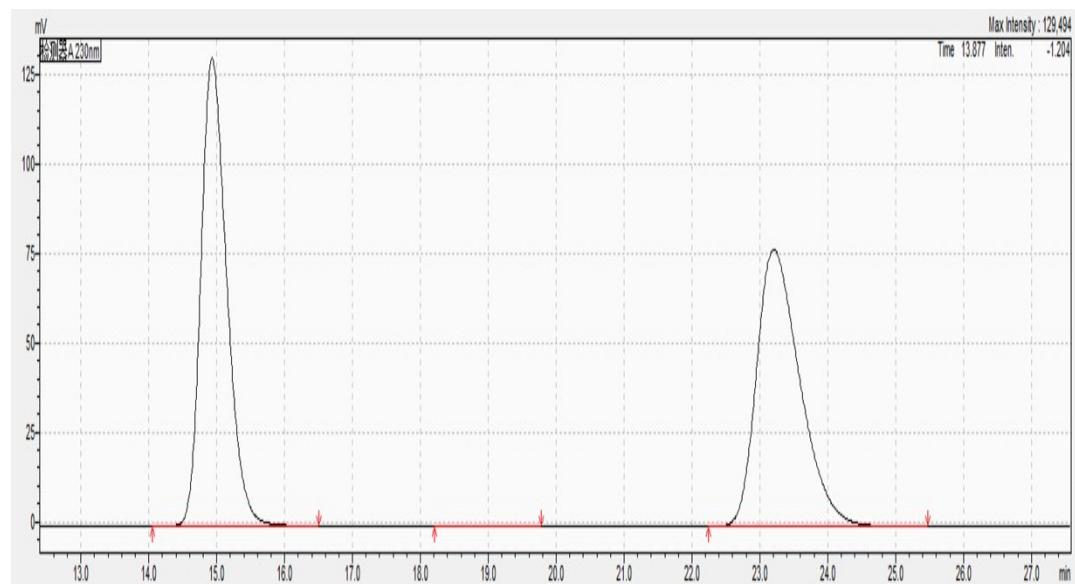
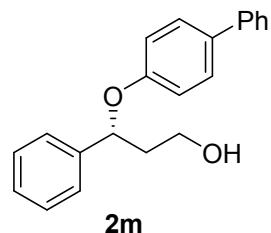
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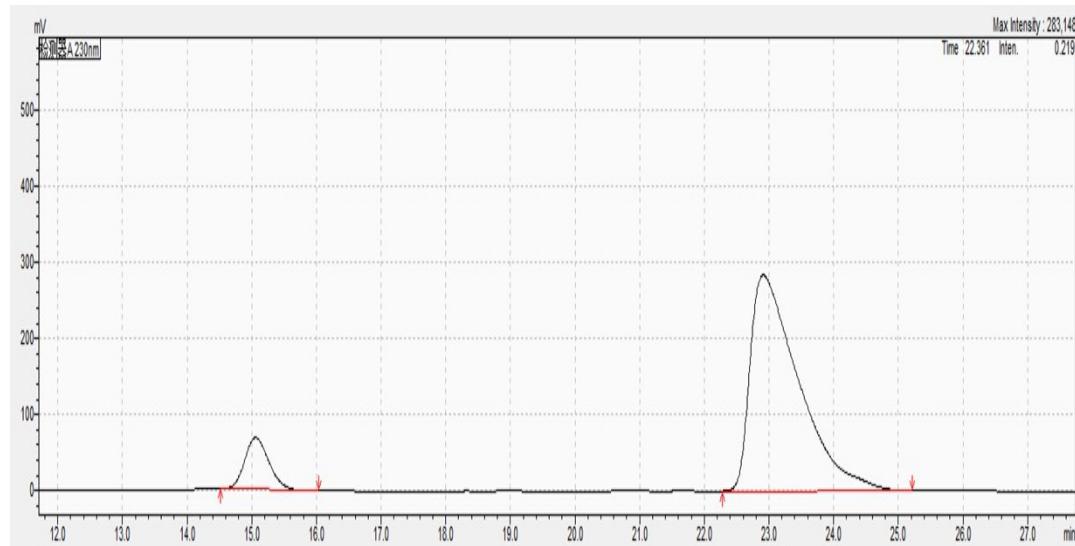
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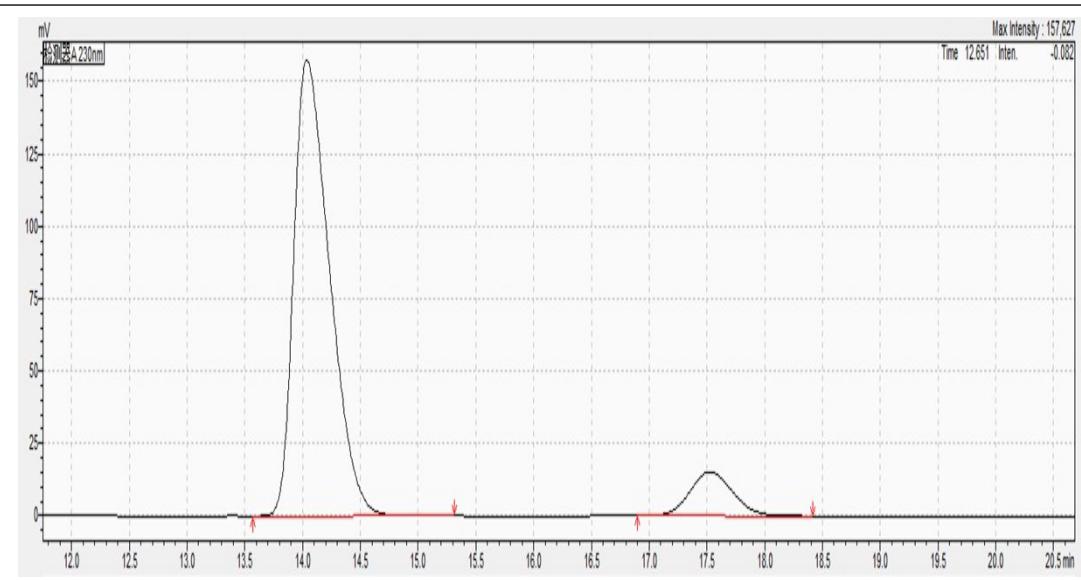
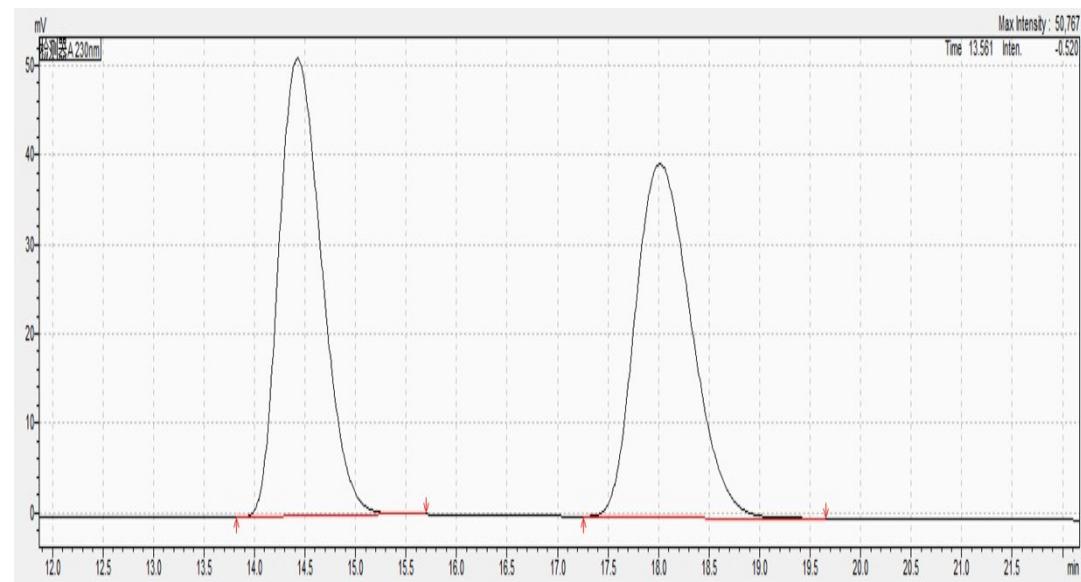
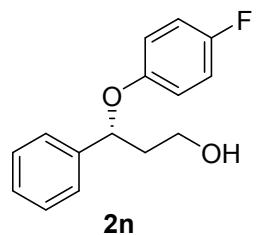
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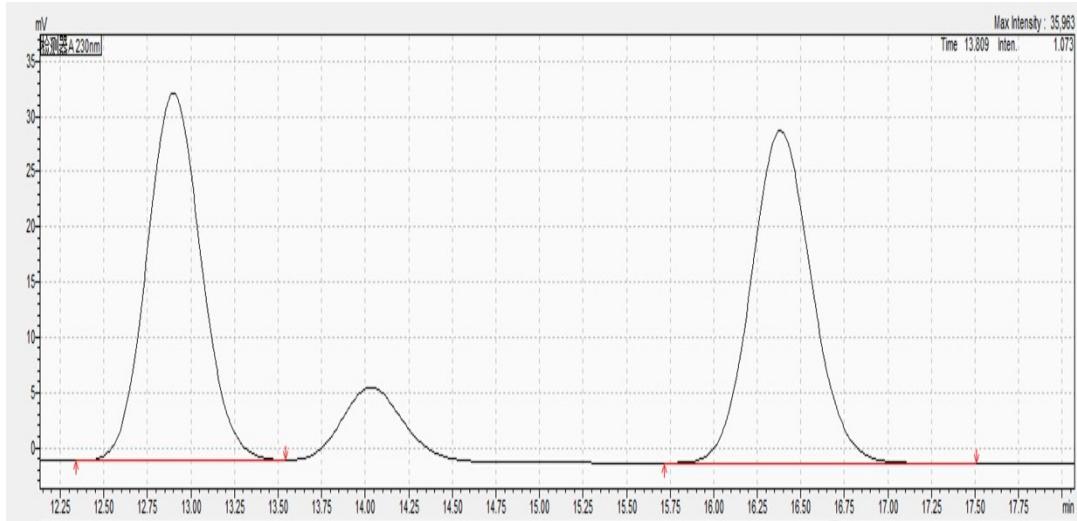
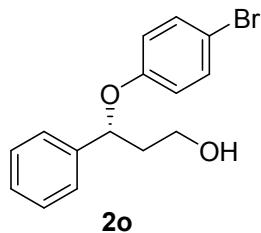


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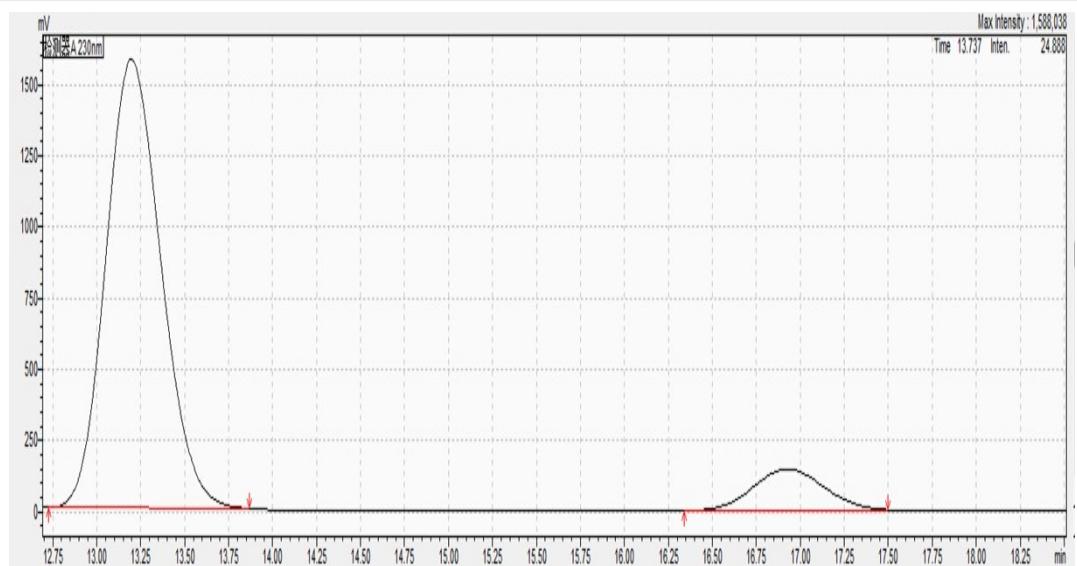


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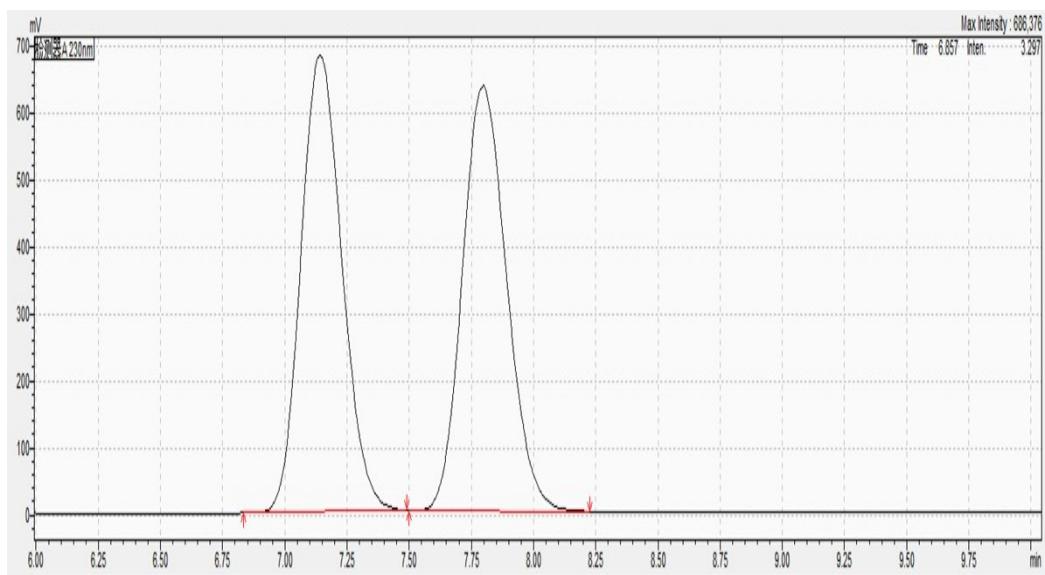
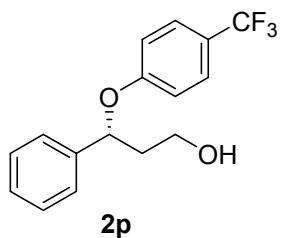




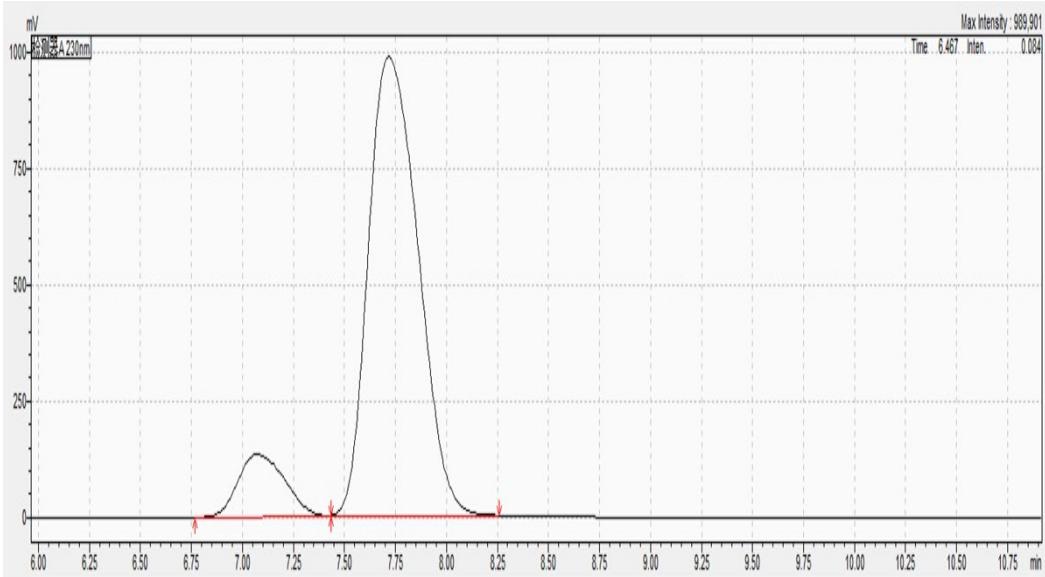
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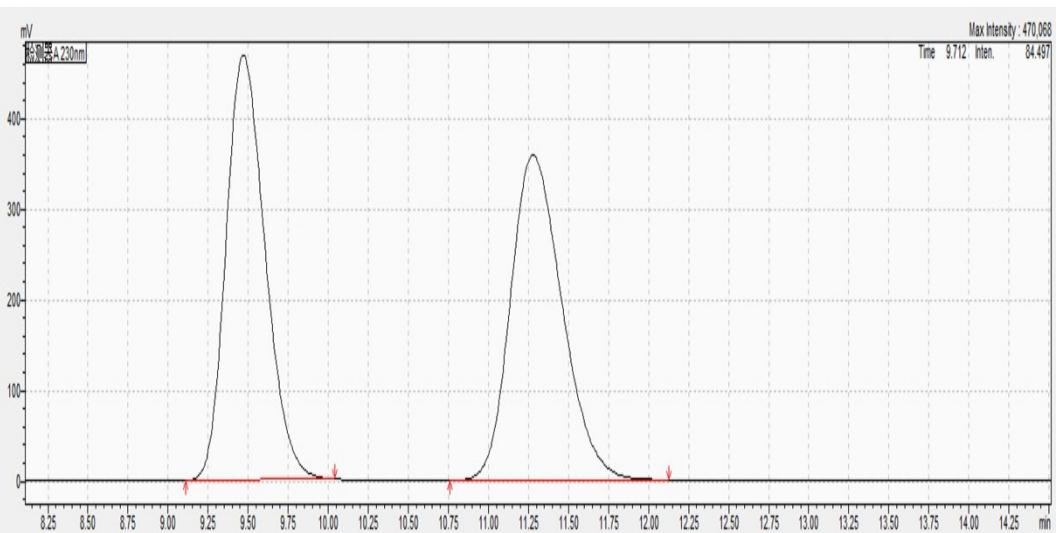
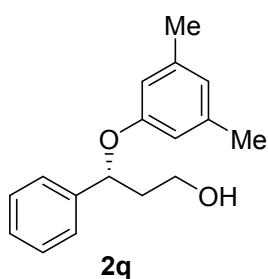
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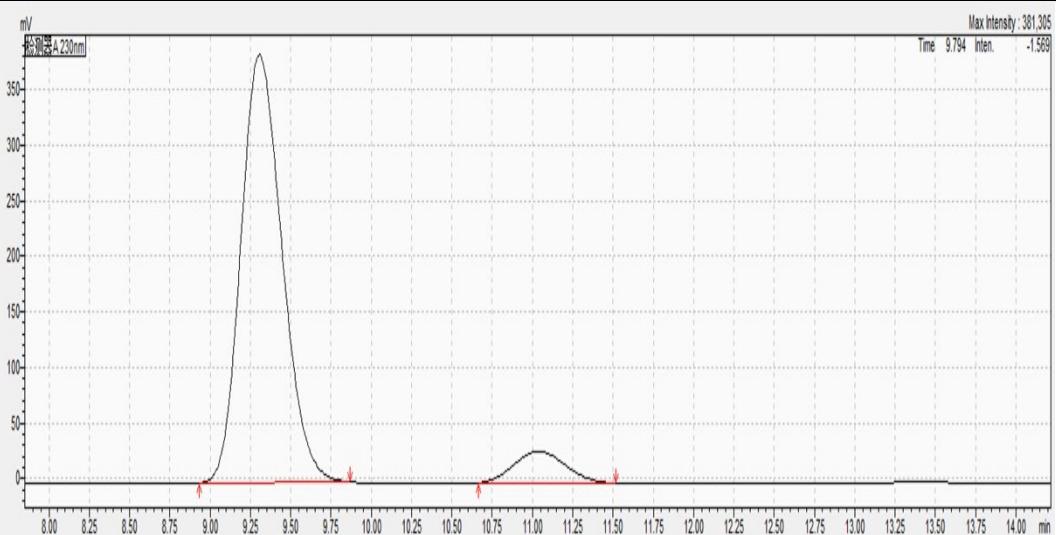
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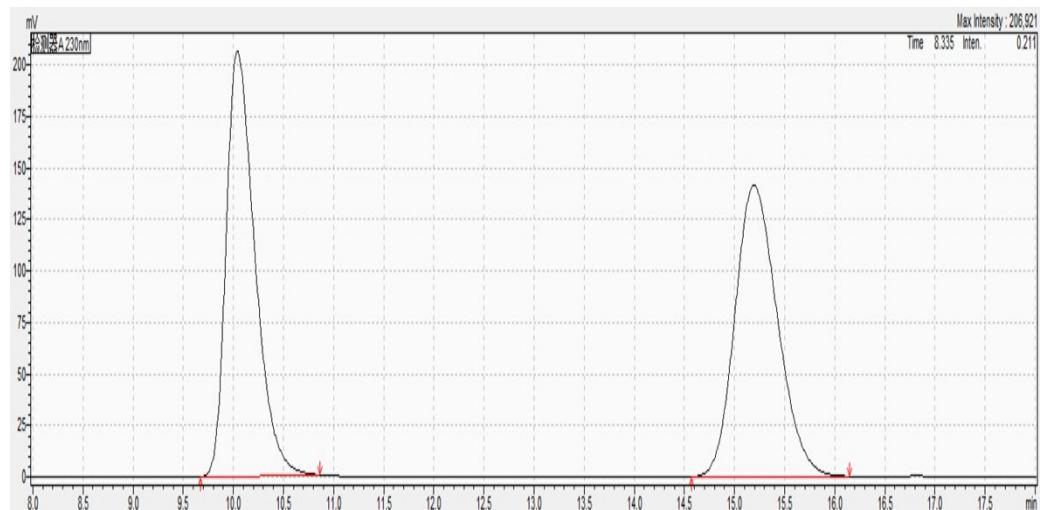
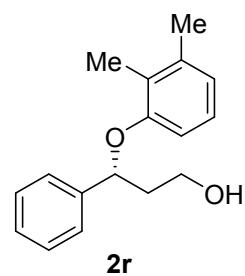
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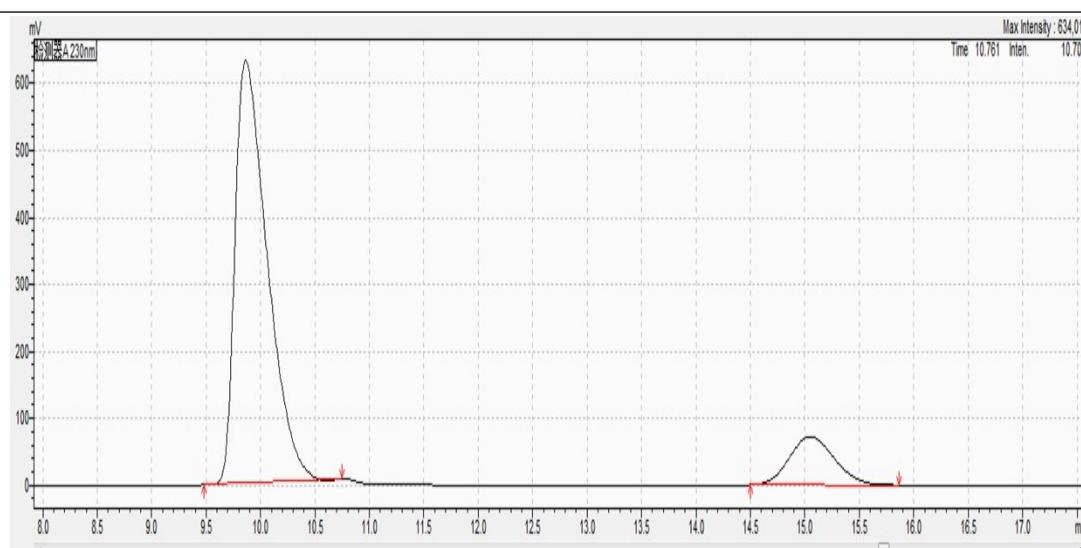
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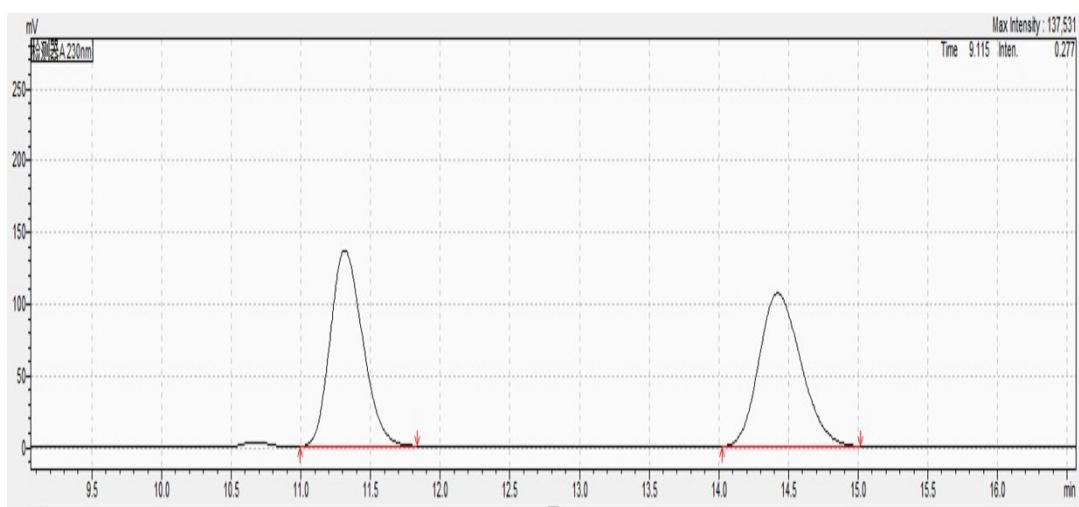
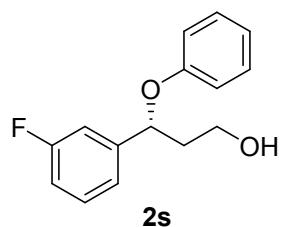
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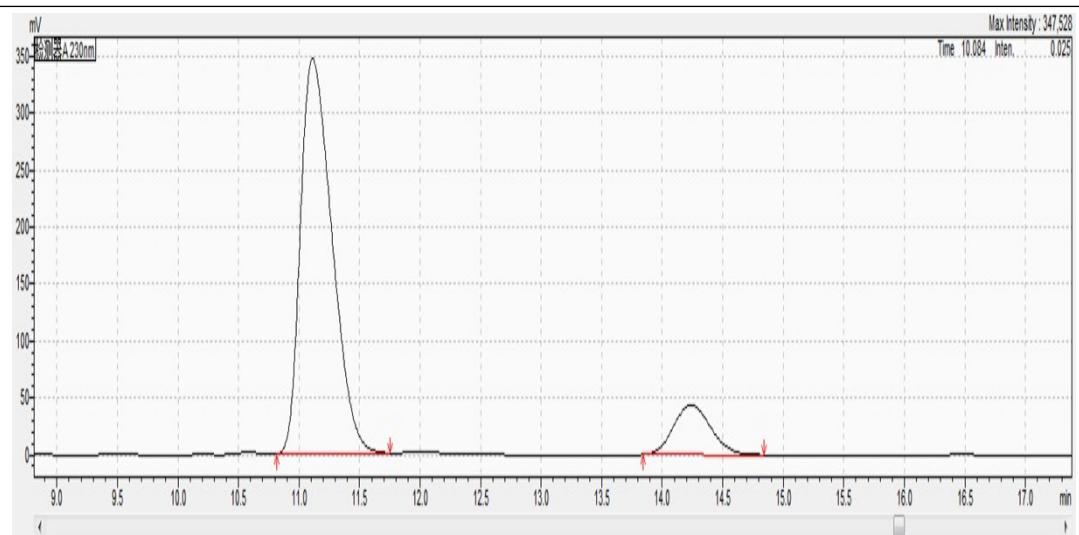
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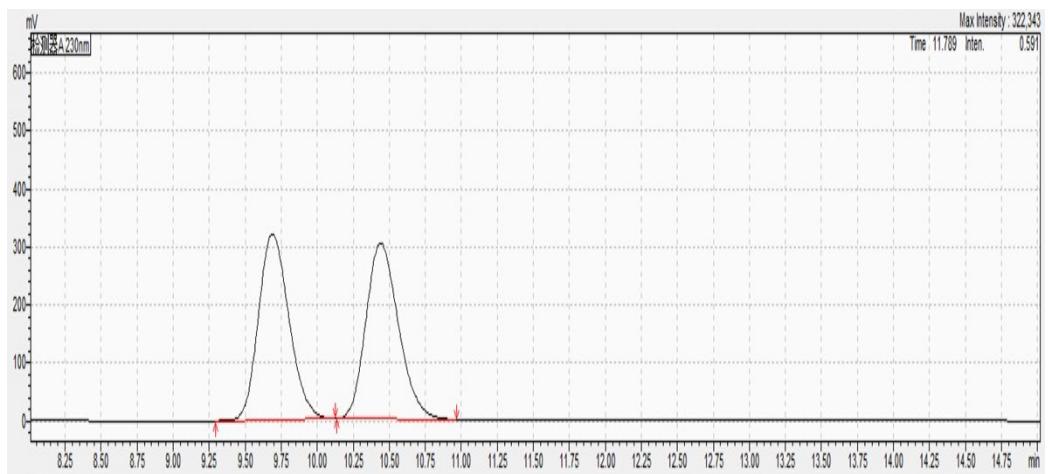
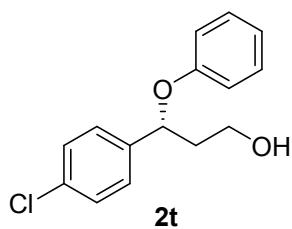
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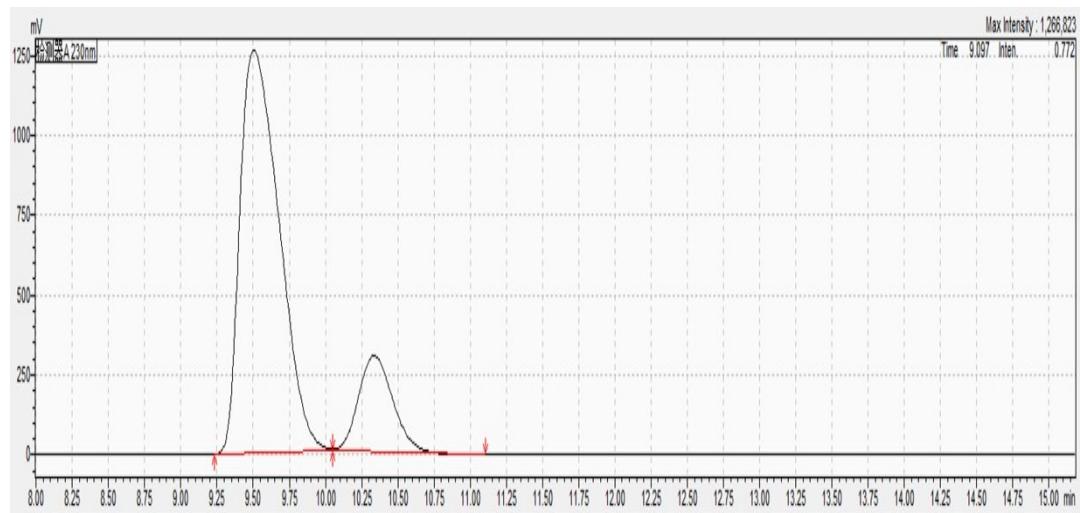
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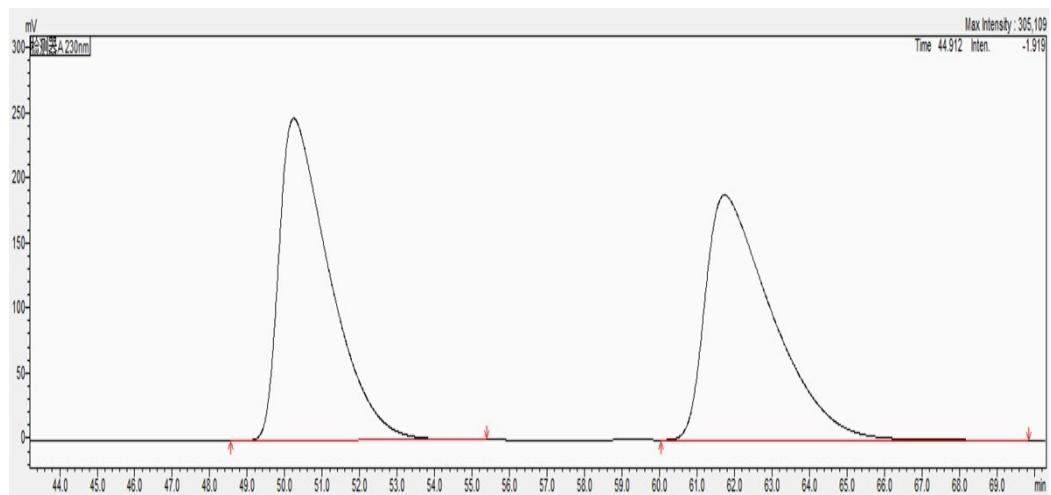
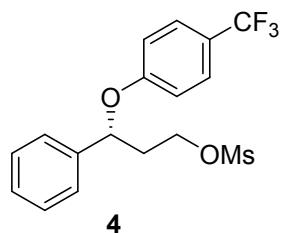
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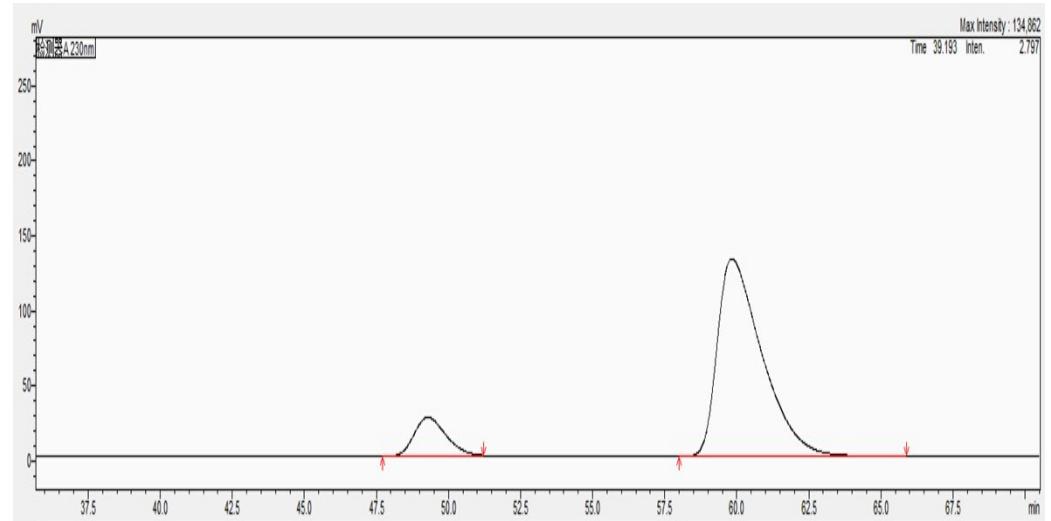
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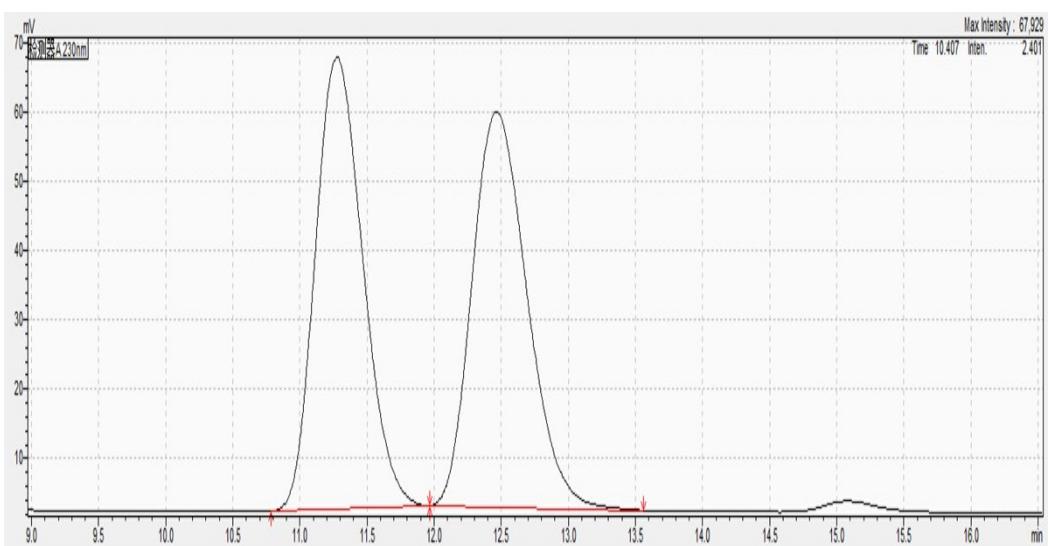
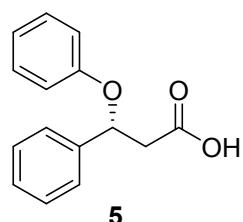
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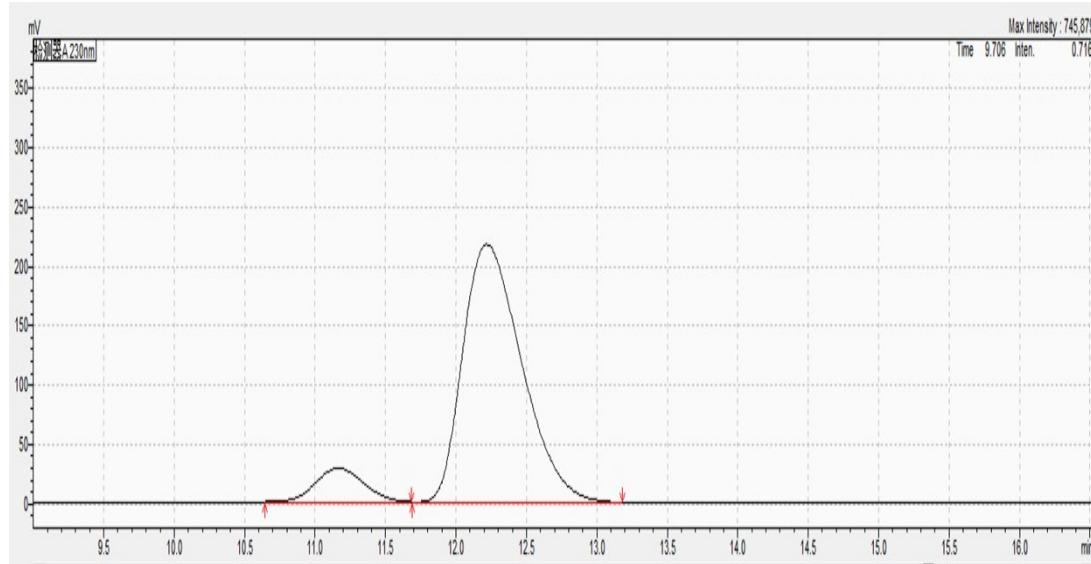
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2	61.737	50.104



Peak	Rentention Time/min	Area %
1	49.287	12.222
2	59.837	87.778



Peak	Rentention Time/min	Area %
1	11.276	49.843
2	12.465	50.157



Peak	Rentention Time/min	Area %
1	11.164	9.484
2	12.218	90.516