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One Step Synthesis of a Fused Four-Ring Heterocycle

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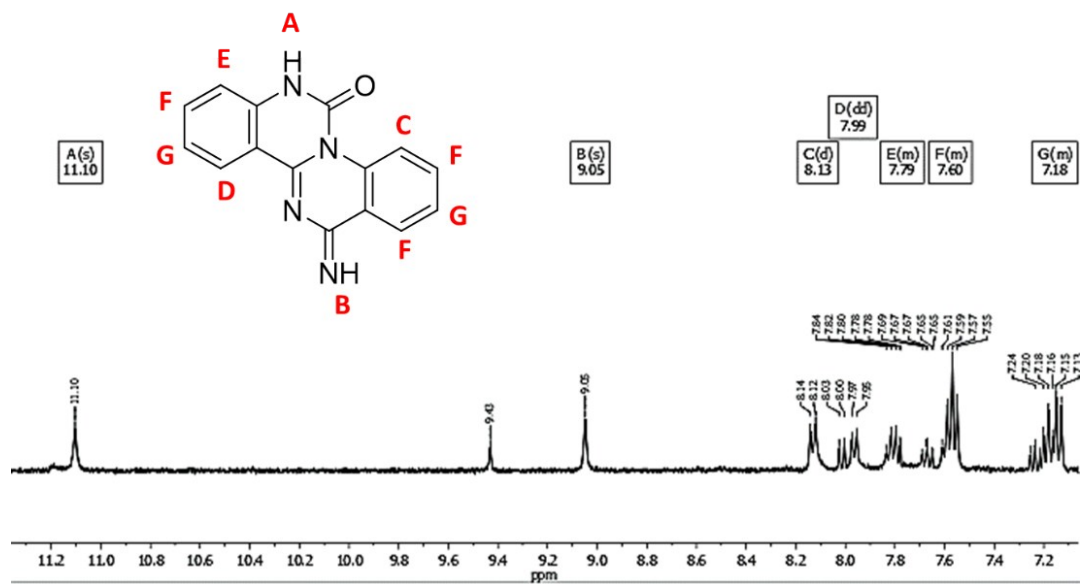


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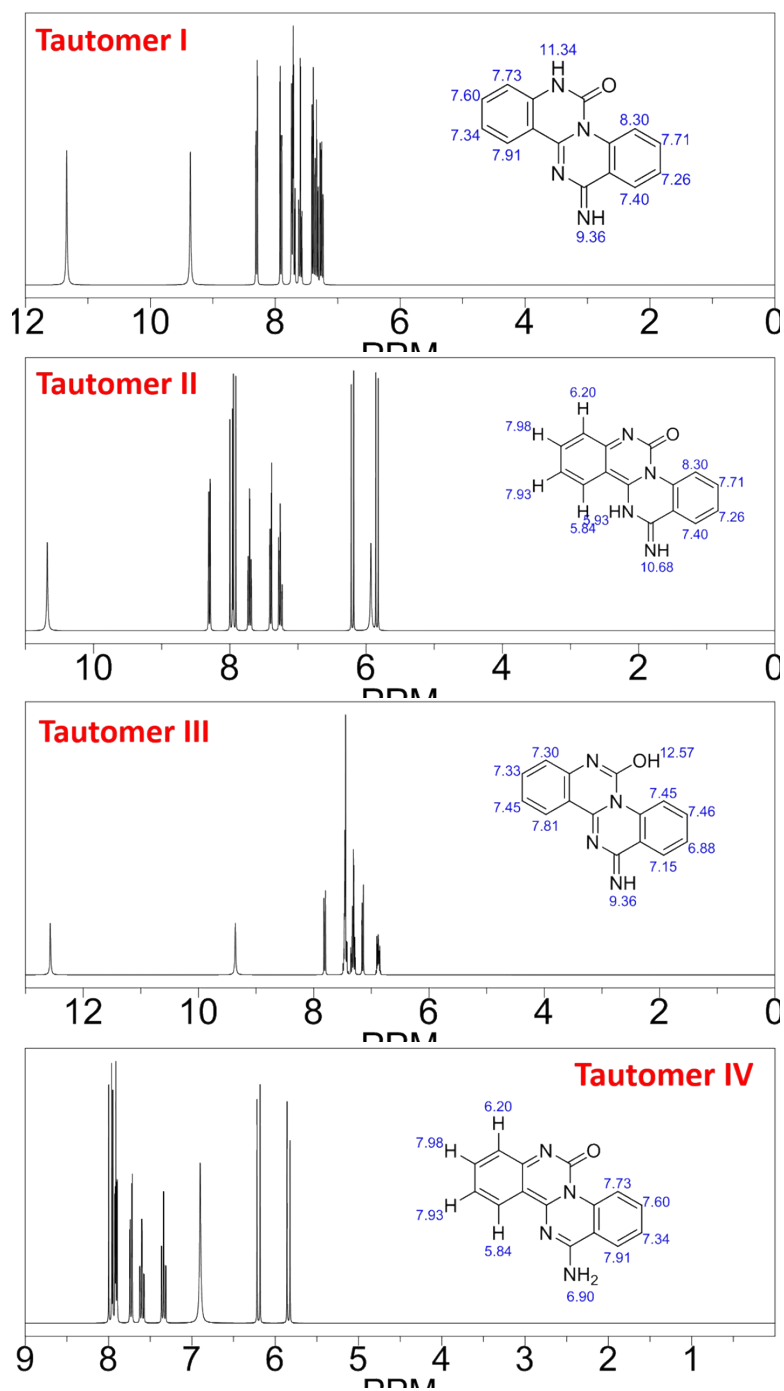


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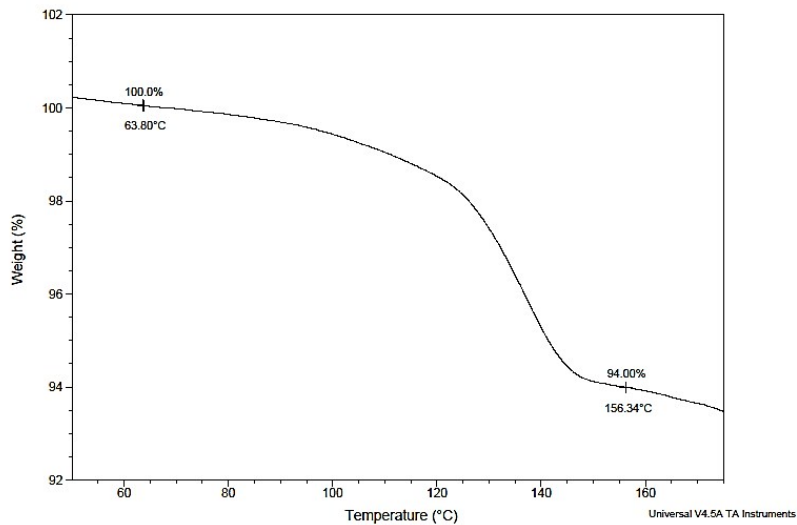


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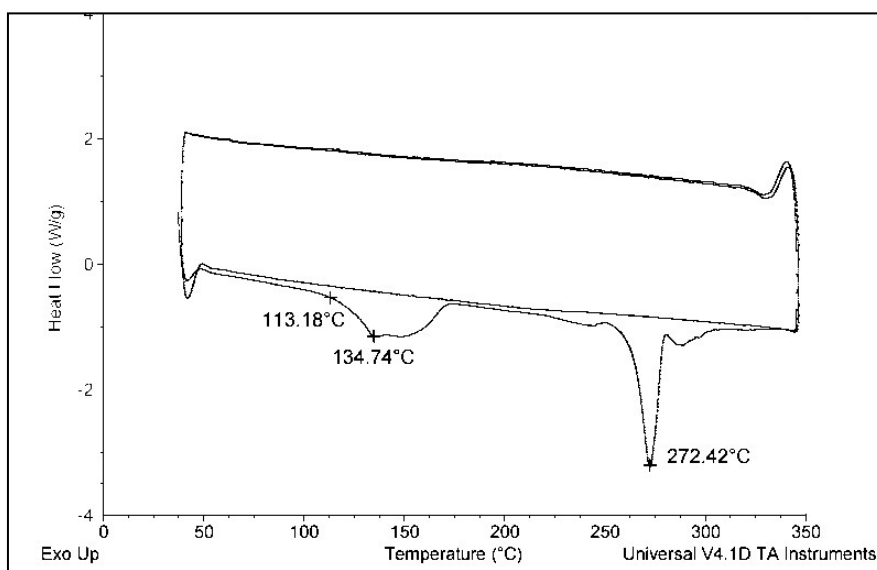


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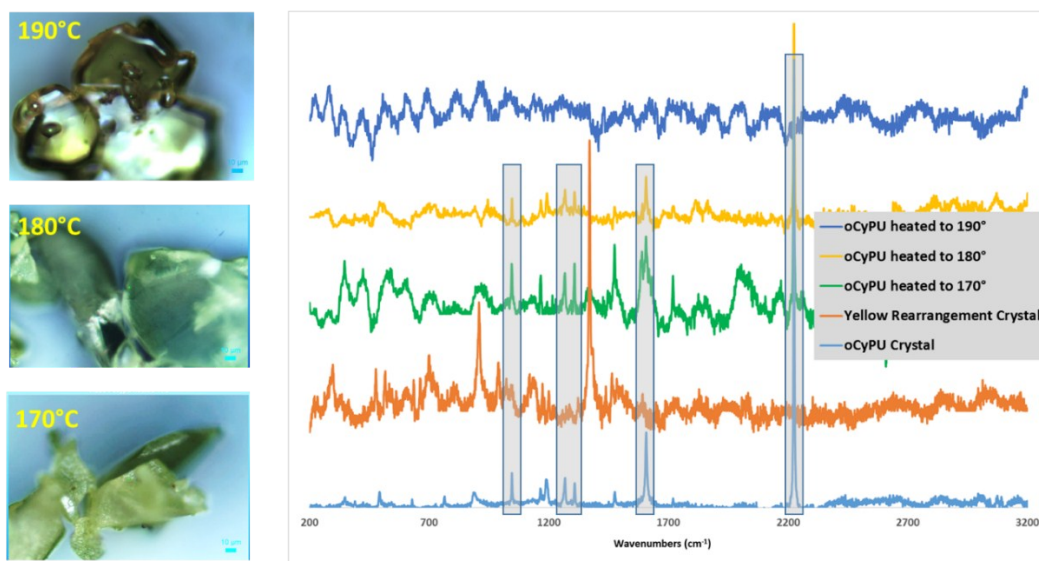


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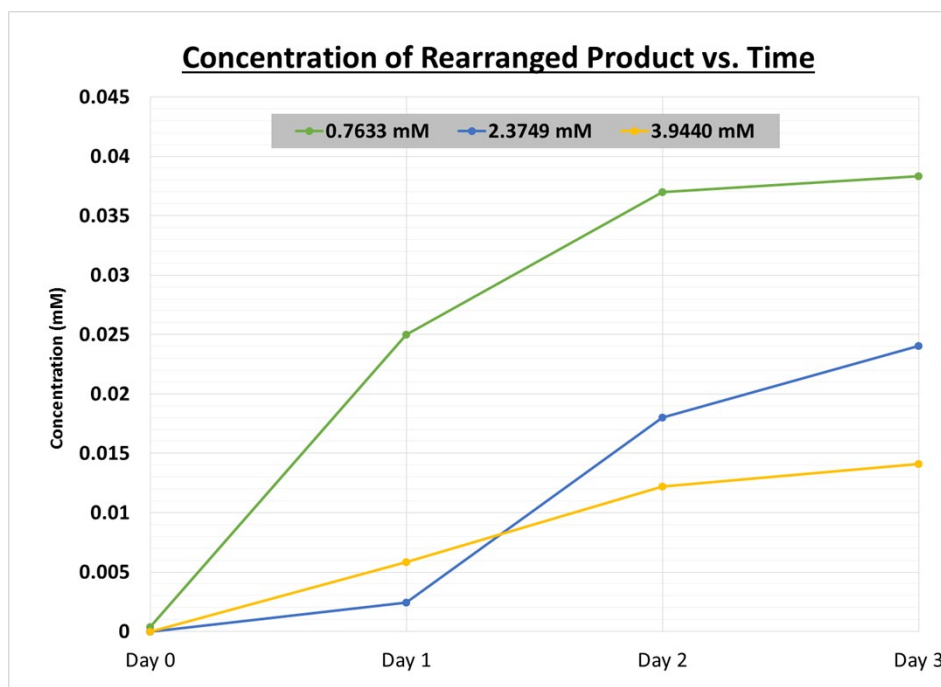


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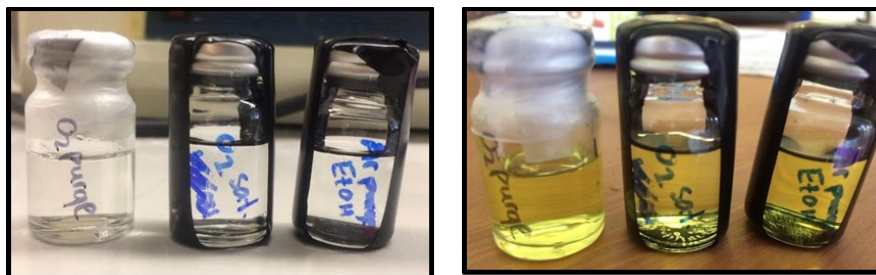


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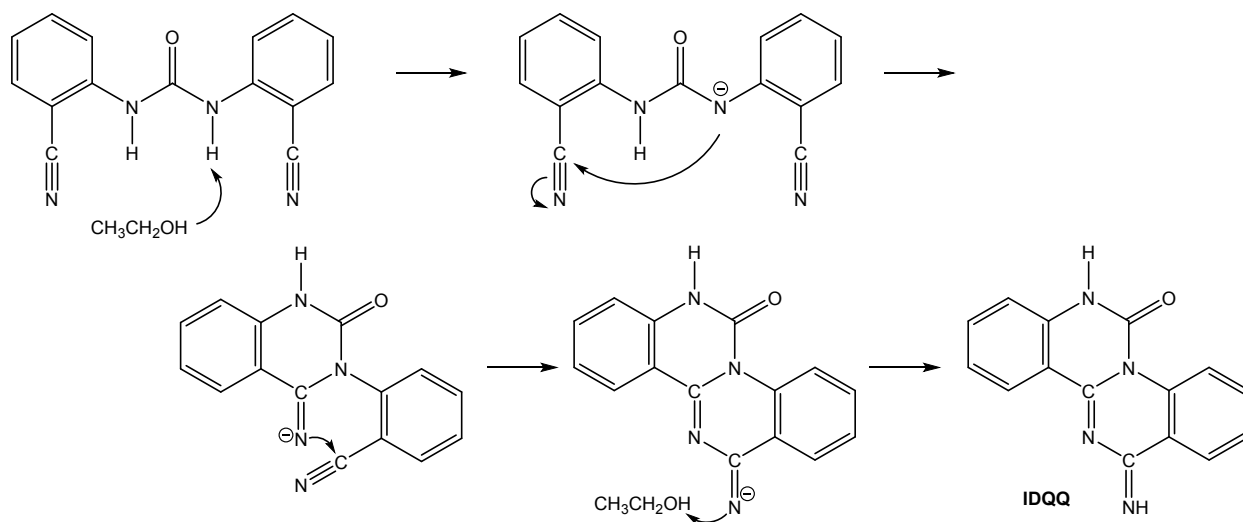


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