

## Supporting Information for

# Graphene Oxide as a Green Carbon Material for Cross-Coupling of Indoles with Ethers via Oxidation and Friedal-Craft Reaction

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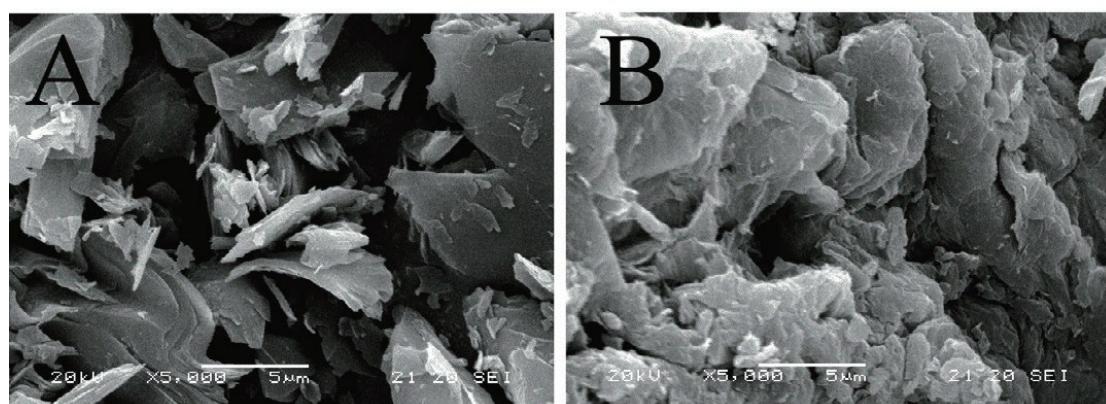
## 1. General Methods

$^1\text{H}$  and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker spectrometers at 400 and 100 MHz, respectively. Mass spectra were recorded with Bruker Dalton Esquire 3000 plus LC-MS apparatus. Elemental analysis were carried out on a Perkin-Elmer 240B instrument. HRFABMS spectra were recorded on a FTMS apparatus. Silica gel (300-400 mesh) was used for flash column chromatography, eluting (unless otherwise stated) with an ethyl acetate/petroleum ether (PE) (60-90 °C) mixture.

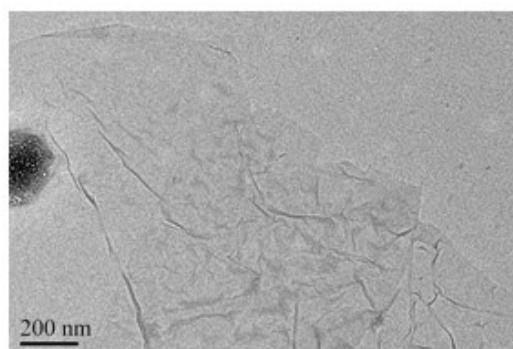
Raman spectra were collected with a Horiba Jobin Y von-Labram HR UV-Visible-NIR Raman Microscope Spectrometer, using a 632 nm laser. The spectra were the average of 10 scans at a resolution of 2  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  between 1000-2000  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  Raman Shift.

## 2. Characterization of GO

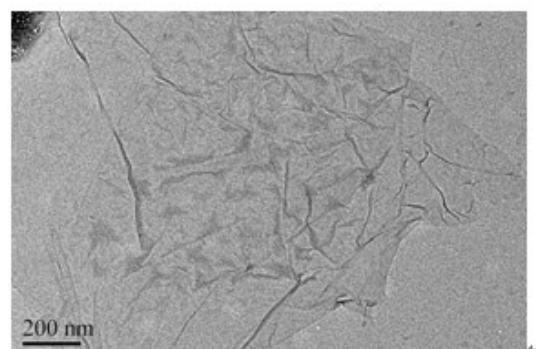
GO was prepared by graphite oxidation using the Hummers and Offeman method and subsequent exfoliation. Further details and GO characterization have been previously reported.



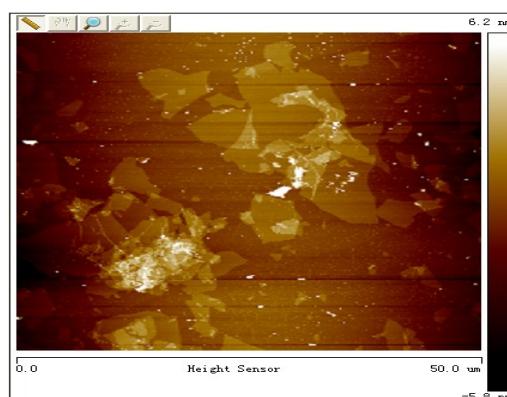
**Figure S1.** (A) SEM image of graphite. (B) SEM image of GO.



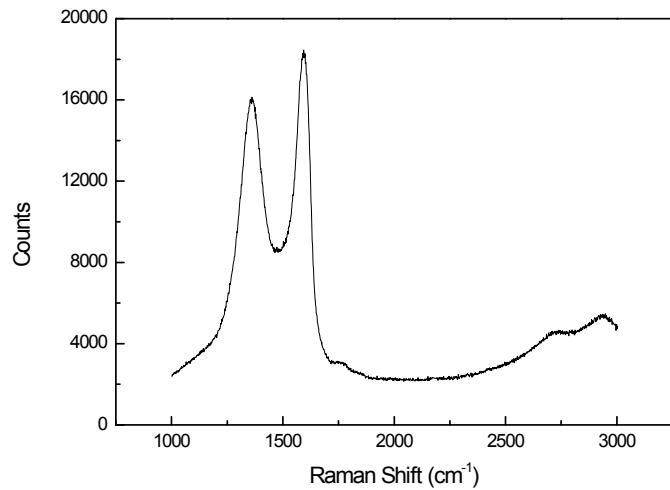
**Figure S2.** TEM image of graphite.



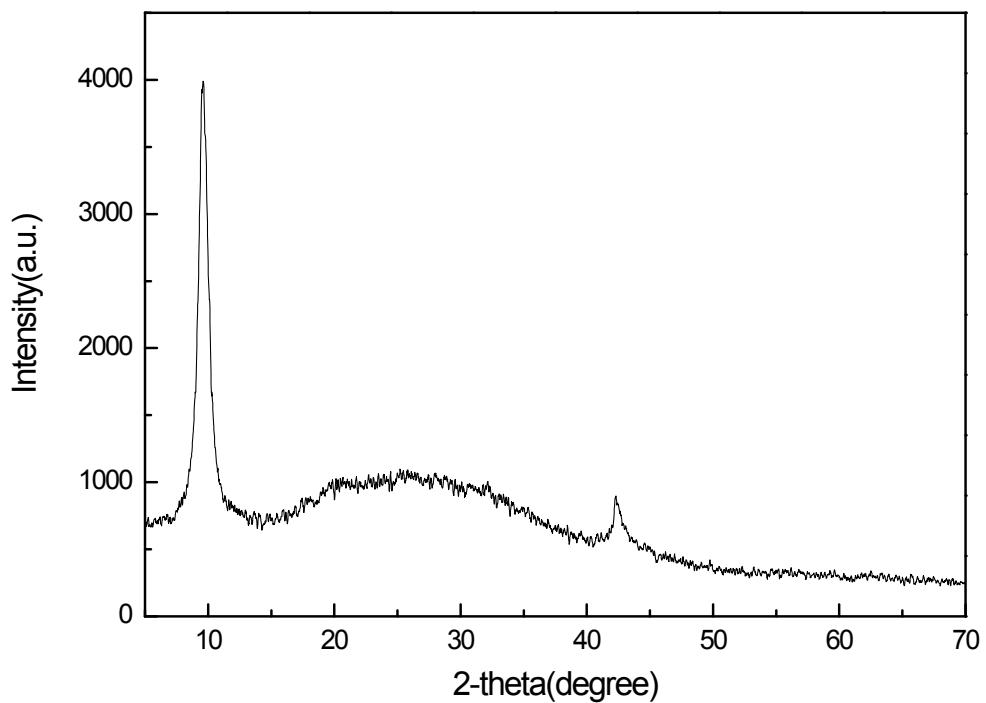
**Figure S3.** TEM image of GO.



**Figure S4.** AFM image of GO.



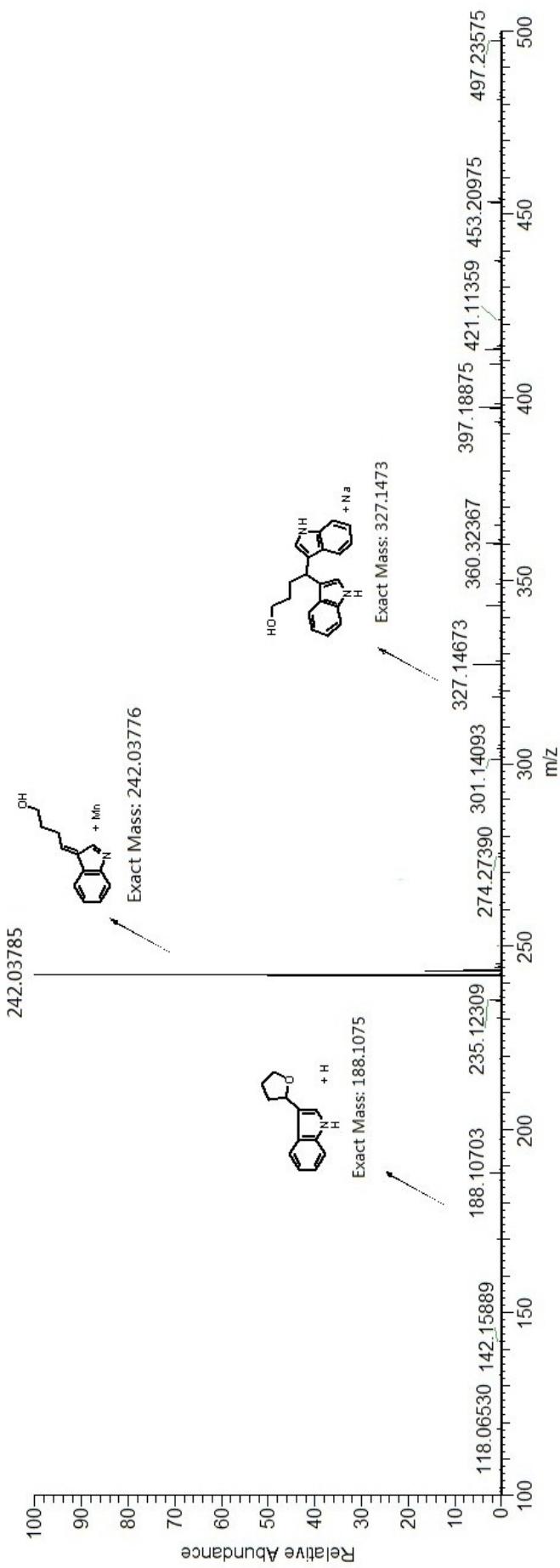
**Figure S5.** Raman image of GO.



**Figure S6.** XRD image of GO.

### 3. ESI-MS Investigation

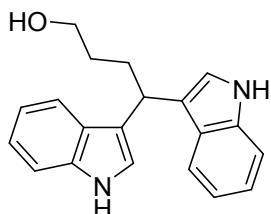
ESI-MS of crude mixtures after 60 min of the onset of reaction for identifying the possible intermediates



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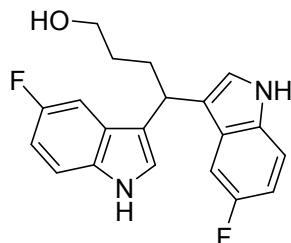
To a solution of indole (0.3 mmol) and THF (108 mg) in CH<sub>3</sub>CN (1 mL) was added GO (35 mg) under an air atmosphere and the mixture was stirred at 25 °C for 6 h. The reaction mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (eluent: EtOAc/PE = 1:1) to yield the corresponding product **3**.

##### 4,4-Di(1*H*-indol-3-yl)butan-1-ol (**3a**)



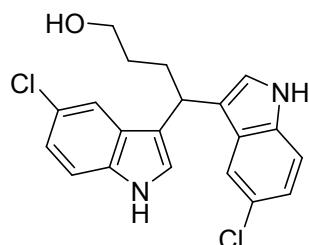
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.91 (s, 2H, NH), 7.60 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.25 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.16 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.05 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 6.82 (s, 2H, Ar-H), 4.46 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 3.59 (t, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 2H), 2.25 (dd, *J* = 15.0, 7.4 Hz, 2H), 2.05 (s, 1H, OH), 1.66-1.59 (m, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 136.6, 127.1, 121.7, 121.6, 120.0, 119.5, 119.0, 111.2, 63.0, 33.8, 32.0, 31.4. MS (ESI): 305 (M+H<sup>+</sup>, 100). These assignments matched with those previously published.<sup>1</sup>

##### 4,4-Bis(5-fluoro-1*H*-indol-3-yl)butan-1-ol (**3b**)



Brown amorphous solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 8.09 (s, 2H, NH), 7.18 (t, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.17 (t, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.00 (d, *J* = 1.1 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 6.86 (dt, *J* = 1.1, 9.2 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 4.30 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 3.65 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 2.23 (dd, *J* = 15.4, 7.5 Hz, 2H), 1.86 (s, 1H, OH), 1.68-1.50 (m, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 157.8 (d, *J* = 233.7 Hz), 133.1, 127.1 (d, *J* = 9.6 Hz), 123.3, 119.6 (d, *J* = 4.7 Hz), 111.8 (d, *J* = 9.7 Hz), 110.2 (d, *J* = 26.4 Hz), 104.3 (d, *J* = 23.4 Hz), 62.9, 33.9, 31.3. HRMS (ESI) calcd for [C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>18</sub>F<sub>2</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O + Na]<sup>+</sup> 363.1285, found 363.1290.

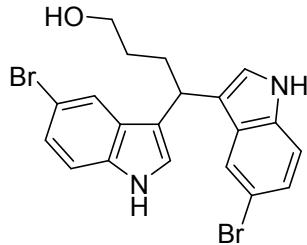
##### 4,4-Bis(5-chloro-1*H*-indol-3-yl)butan-1-ol (**3c**)



Brown amorphous solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 8.14 (s, 2H, NH), 7.49 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.17 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.08 (dd, *J* = 8.6, 2.0 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 6.93 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 4.30 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 3.63 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 2.20 (dt, *J* = 7.7, 10.8 Hz, 2H), 1.63-

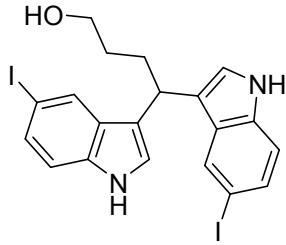
1.56 (m, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  135.0, 127.9, 124.7, 123.0, 122.1, 119.1, 118.9, 112.3, 62.9, 33.8, 31.4, 31.2. HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $[\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{18}\text{Cl}_2\text{N}_2\text{O} + \text{Na}]^+$  395.0694, found 395.0690.

**4,4-Bis(5-bromo-1*H*-indol-3-yl)butan-1-ol (**3d**)**



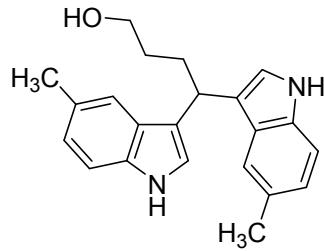
Brown amorphous solid.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  8.12 (s, 2H, NH), 7.64 (d,  $J = 1.7$  Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.22 (dd,  $J = 8.6, 1.7$  Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.17 (d,  $J = 8.6$  Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 6.98 (d,  $J = 2.3$  Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 4.32 (t,  $J = 7.3$  Hz, 1H), 3.66 (t,  $J = 6.5$  Hz, 2H), 2.22 (dt,  $J = 7.6, 13.1$  Hz, 2H), 1.66-1.59 (m, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  135.3, 128.6, 124.7, 122.8, 122.0, 119.2, 112.7, 112.4, 62.9, 33.8, 31.5, 31.3. MS (ESI): 461 ( $\text{M}+\text{H}^+$ , 50), 463 ( $\text{M}+\text{H}^+$ , 100). These assignments matched with those previously published.<sup>1</sup>

**4,4-Bis(5-iodo-1*H*-indol-3-yl)butan-1-ol (**3e**)**



Brown amorphous solid.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  8.09 (s, 2H, NH), 7.87 (d,  $J = 1.2$  Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.39 (dd,  $J = 8.5, 1.6$  Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.09 (d,  $J = 8.5$  Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 6.91 (d,  $J = 2.2$  Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 4.2 (t,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 1H), 3.67 (t,  $J = 6.5$  Hz, 2H), 2.21 (dt,  $J = 7.7, 10.7$  Hz, 2H), 1.66-1.57 (m, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  135.7, 130.2, 129.4, 128.3, 122.4, 118.8, 113.3, 82.8, 62.9, 33.7, 31.5, 31.3. HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $[\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{18}\text{I}_2\text{N}_2\text{O} + \text{Na}]^+$  578.9406, found 578.9404.

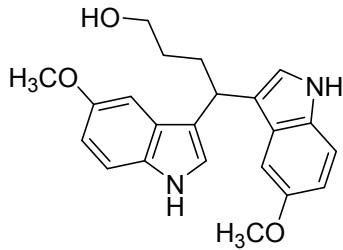
**4,4-Bis(5-methyl-1*H*-indol-3-yl)butan-1-ol (**3f**)**



Brown amorphous solid.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.82 (s, 2H, NH), 7.41 (s, 2H, Ar-H), 7.22 (d,  $J = 8.3$  Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.00 (d,  $J = 8.3$  Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 6.91 (s, 2H, Ar-H), 4.45 (t,  $J = 7.4$  Hz, 1H), 3.67 (t,  $J = 6.6$  Hz, 2H), 2.43 (s, 6H,  $\text{CH}_3$ ), 2.27 (dt,  $J = 7.6, 15.4$  Hz, 2H), 1.74-1.66 (m, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  135.0, 128.2, 127.3, 123.4, 121.8, 119.6, 119.2, 110.8, 63.2,

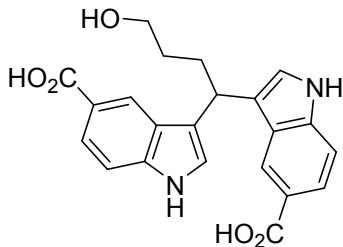
33.8, 32.0, 31.6, 21.6. MS (ESI): 333 ( $M+H^+$ , 100). These assignments matched with those previously published.<sup>1</sup>

**4,4-Bis(5-methoxy-1*H*-indol-3-yl)butan-1-ol (3g)**



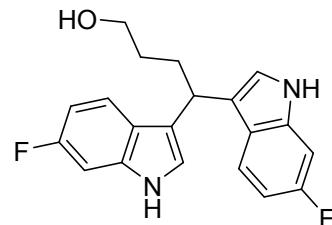
Brown amorphous solid.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.85 (s, 2H, NH), 7.44 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 6.83 (s, 2H, Ar-H), 6.78 (s, 2H, Ar-H), 6.71 (dd,  $J = 8.7, 2.3$  Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 4.38 (t,  $J = 7.4$  Hz, 1H), 3.81 (s, 6H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 3.63 (t,  $J = 6.5$  Hz, 2H), 2.27-2.18 (m, 2H), 1.70-1.60 (m, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  156.3, 137.3, 121.6, 120.3, 120.1, 120.0, 109.0, 94.8, 63.1, 55.7, 34.0, 31.9, 31.5. MS (ESI): 365 ( $M+H^+$ , 100). These assignments matched with those previously published.<sup>2</sup>

**3,3'-(4-Hydroxybutane-1,1-diyl)bis(1*H*-indole-5-carboxylic acid) (3h)**



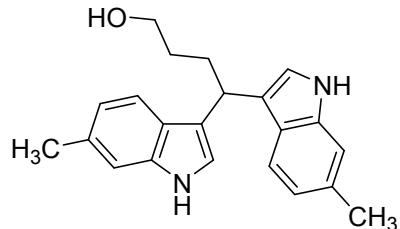
Brown amorphous solid.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ ):  $\delta$  11.16 (s, 2H, NH), 8.15 (s, 2H, Ar-H), 7.64 (d,  $J = 8.3$  Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.35 (d,  $J = 8.3$  Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.34 (s, 2H, Ar-H), 4.46 (t,  $J = 7.0$  Hz, 1H), 2.30-2.15 (m, 2H), 1.95-1.85 (m, 2H), 1.52-1.40 (m, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ ):  $\delta$  169.0, 139.5, 126.6, 124.1, 122.6, 122.2, 121.3, 120.4, 111.5, 61.2, 33.7, 32.1, 31.8. HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $[\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2\text{O}_5 + \text{K}]^+$  431.1009, found 431.1002.

**4,4-Bis(6-fluoro-1*H*-indol-3-yl)butan-1-ol (3i)**



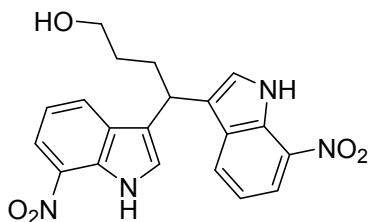
Brown amorphous solid.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  8.07 (s, 2H, NH), 7.43 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.42 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 6.99 (d,  $J = 9.6$  Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 6.97 (d,  $J = 2.3$  Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 6.78 (dt,  $J = 2.3, 9.6$  Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 4.43 (t,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 3.67 (t,  $J = 6.5$  Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 2.25 (dd,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 1.70-1.63 (m, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  159.9 (d,  $J = 237.3$  Hz), 126.51 (d,  $J = 12.3$  Hz), 123.6, 121.6 (d,  $J = 3.5$  Hz), 120.1 (d,  $J = 10.1$  Hz), 119.9, 107.8 (d,  $J = 24.4$  Hz), 97.4 (d,  $J = 25.9$  Hz), 63.0, 33.8, 31.7, 31.3. HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $[\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{18}\text{F}_2\text{N}_2\text{O} + \text{H}]^+$  341.1465, found 341.1483.

**4,4-Bis(6-methyl-1*H*-indol-3-yl)butan-1-ol (3j)**



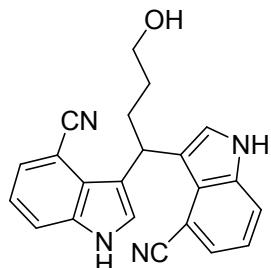
Brown amorphous solid.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.83 (s, 2H, NH), 7.46 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.09 (s, 2H, Ar-H), 6.87 (dd,  $J = 8.1, 1.0$  Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 6.86 (s, 2H, Ar-H), 4.43 (t,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 1H), 4.34 (t,  $J = 7.1$  Hz, 1H), 3.64 (t,  $J = 6.6$  Hz, 2H), 2.44 (s, 6H, 2 $\text{CH}_3$ ), 2.29-2.23 (m, 2H), 1.7-1.63 (m, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  137.1, 131.5, 125.0, 120.9, 120.8, 120.0, 119.2, 111.1, 63.1, 33.9, 31.9, 31.5, 21.6. HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $[\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{24}\text{N}_2\text{O} + \text{H}]^+$  333.1967, found 333.1950.

#### 4,4'-Bis(7-nitro-1*H*-indol-3-yl)butan-1-ol (**3k**)



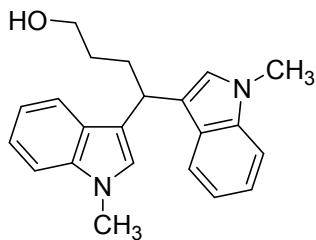
Brown amorphous solid.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  9.86 (s, 2H, NH), 8.12 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.84 (d,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.29 (s, 2H, Ar-H), 7.10 (t,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 4.57 (t,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 1H), 3.75 (t,  $J = 5.5$  Hz, 2H), 2.45-2.30 (m, 2H), 1.65-1.55 (m, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  133.0, 130.7, 130.0, 127.4, 123.8, 120.9, 119.4, 118.8, 62.7, 33.5, 31.8, 31.1. HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $[\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_4\text{O}_5 + \text{Na}]^+$  417.1175, found 417.1235.

#### 3,3'-(4-Hydroxybutane-1,1-diyl)bis(1*H*-indole-4-carbonitrile) (**3l**)



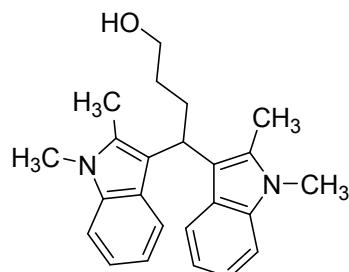
Brown amorphous solid.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ ):  $\delta$  11.41 (d,  $J = 2.2$  Hz, 2H, NH), 7.69 (dd,  $J = 8.2, 0.8$  Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.41 (dd,  $J = 7.3, 0.8$  Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.18 (t,  $J = 7.3$  Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.12 (d,  $J = 2.2$  Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 5.23 (t,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 1H), 4.35 (t,  $J = 5.2$  Hz, 1H, OH), 3.45 (dt,  $J = 6.7, 12.2$  Hz, 2H), 2.08 (dt,  $J = 7.2, 12.2$  Hz, 2H), 1.73-1.64 (m, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ ):  $\delta$  137.4, 126.4, 125.8, 125.7, 121.1, 119.6, 119.2, 117.3, 101.4, 61.6, 34.4, 32.2, 31.5. MS (ESI): 355 ( $\text{M}+\text{H}^+$ , 100). Anal calcd for  $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_4\text{O}$ : C, 74.56; H, 5.12; N, 15.81. Found C, 74.19; H, 5.37; N, 15.53.

#### 4,4'-Bis(1-methyl-1*H*-indol-3-yl)butan-1-ol (**3m**)



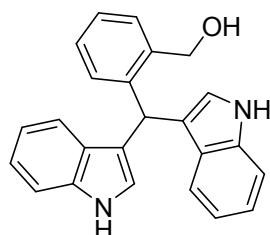
Brown amorphous solid.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.65 (d,  $J = 7.9$  Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.30 (d,  $J = 8.2$  Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.23 (t,  $J = 7.9$  Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.08 (t,  $J = 7.9$  Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 6.90 (s, 2H, Ar-H), 4.53 (t,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 1H), 3.74 (s, 6H,  $\text{CH}_3$ ), 3.69 (t,  $J = 6.6$  Hz, 2H), 2.31 (dt,  $J = 7.6, 10.0$  Hz, 2H), 1.75-1.68 (m, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  132.6, 122.8, 121.6, 116.6, 114.9, 114.1, 113.8, 104.4, 58.4, 29.0, 27.9, 27.7, 26.9. MS (ESI): 333 ( $\text{M}+\text{H}^+$ , 100). These assignments matched with those previously published.<sup>1</sup>

#### 4,4-Bis(1,2-dimethyl-1*H*-indol-3-yl)butan-1-ol (**3n**)



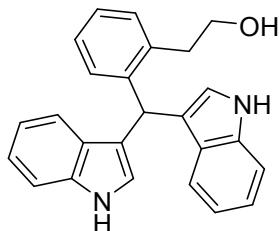
Brown amorphous solid.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.77 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.25 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.14 (t,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.04 (t,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 4.52 (t,  $J = 7.9$  Hz, 1H), 3.70 (t,  $J = 6.7$  Hz, 2H), 3.63 (s, 6H,  $\text{NCH}_3$ ), 2.60-2.53 (m, 2H), 2.37 (s, 6H,  $\text{CH}_3$ ), 1.75-1.63 (m, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  136.6, 132.8, 127.3, 120.0, 119.5, 118.6, 114.4, 108.5, 63.2, 35.6, 32.3, 31.5, 29.4, 10.9. MS (ESI): 361 ( $\text{M}+\text{H}^+$ , 100). These assignments matched with those previously published.<sup>3</sup>

#### (2-(Di(*1H*-indol-3-yl)methyl)phenyl)methanol (**3o**)



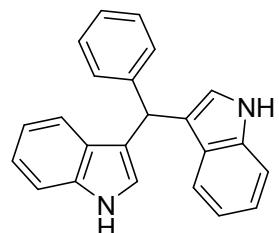
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#### 2-(2-(Di(*1H*-indol-3-yl)methyl)phenyl)ethan-1-ol (**3p**)



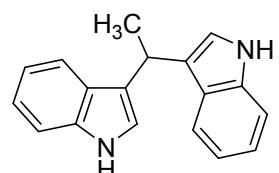
Brown amorphous solid.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  10.81 (s, 2H, NH), 7.35 (d,  $J$  = 8.1 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.24 (d,  $J$  = 8.1 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.22 (d,  $J$  = 8.1 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.12 (t,  $J$  = 8.1 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.07 (t,  $J$  = 8.1 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.04 (t,  $J$  = 8.1 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 6.86 (t,  $J$  = 7.4 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 6.60 (s, 2H, Ar-H), 6.07 (s, 1H, OH), 4.77 (t,  $J$  = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 3.64 (dt,  $J$  = 7.2, 12.6 Hz, 2H), 2.86 (t,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  143.2, 137.4, 137.1, 130.3, 128.6, 127.1, 126.3, 126.2, 124.5, 121.3, 119.5, 118.6, 118.4, 111.9, 62.6, 36.5, 35.8. HRMS (ESI) calcd for [C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>22</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O + K]<sup>+</sup> 405.1369, found 405.1390.

**3,3'-(Phenylmethylene)bis(1H-indole) (3q)**



Brown amorphous solid.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.78 (s, 2H, NH), 7.45 (d,  $J$  = 8.1 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.39 (d,  $J$  = 7.1 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.36 (d,  $J$  = 8.1 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.33 (t,  $J$  = 7.9 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.27 (d,  $J$  = 7.1 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.22 (dt,  $J$  = 0.8, 7.9 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.06 (dt,  $J$  = 0.8, 7.9 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 6.62 (t,  $J$  = 7.9 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 5.93 (s, 1H, Ar-H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  144.1, 136.7, 128.8, 128.3, 127.1, 126.2, 123.7, 122.0, 120.0, 119.7, 119.3, 111.1, 40.2. MS (ESI): 323 (M+H<sup>+</sup>, 100). These assignments matched with those previously published.<sup>5</sup>

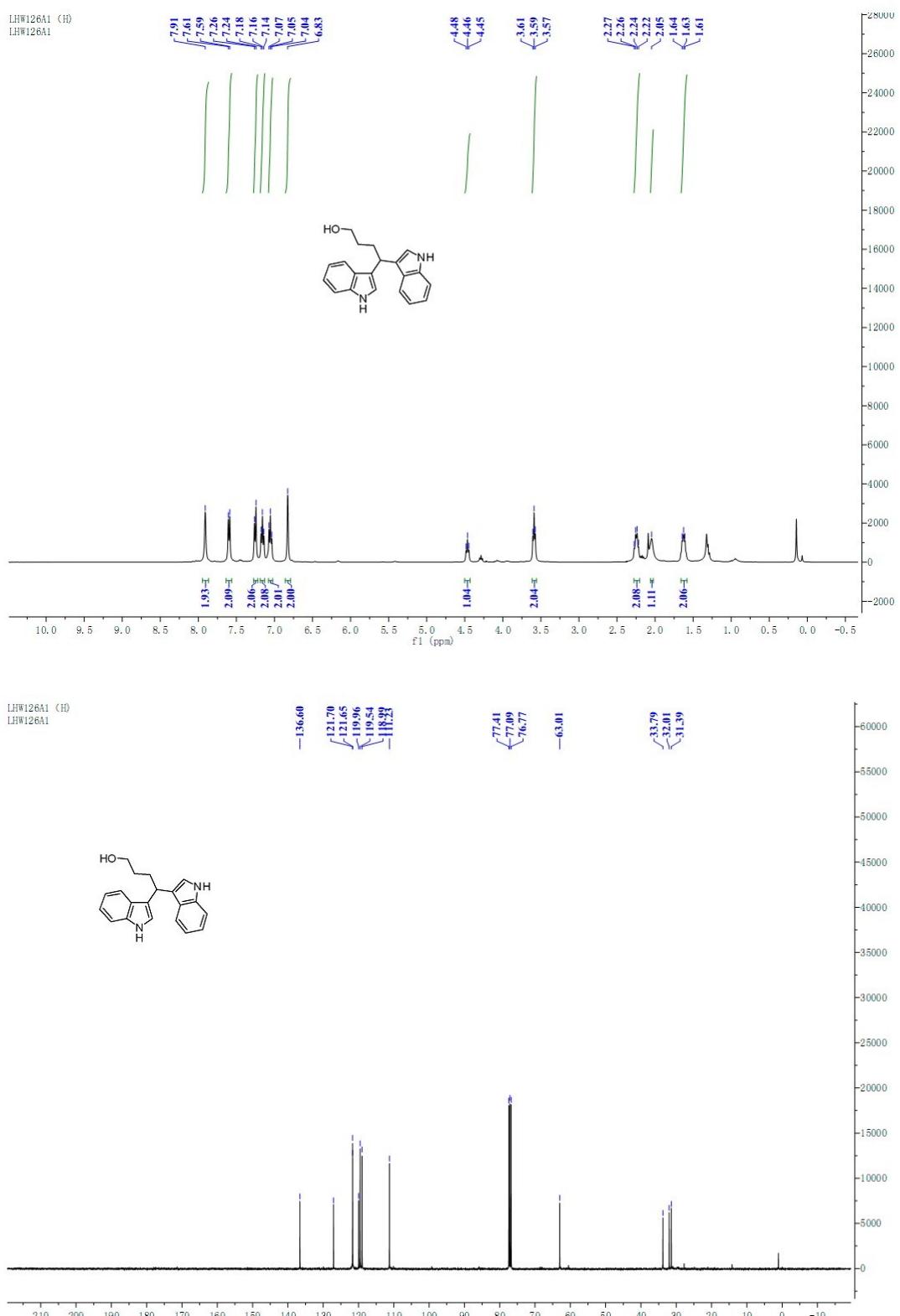
**3,3'-(Ethane-1,1-diyl)bis(1H-indole) (3r)**



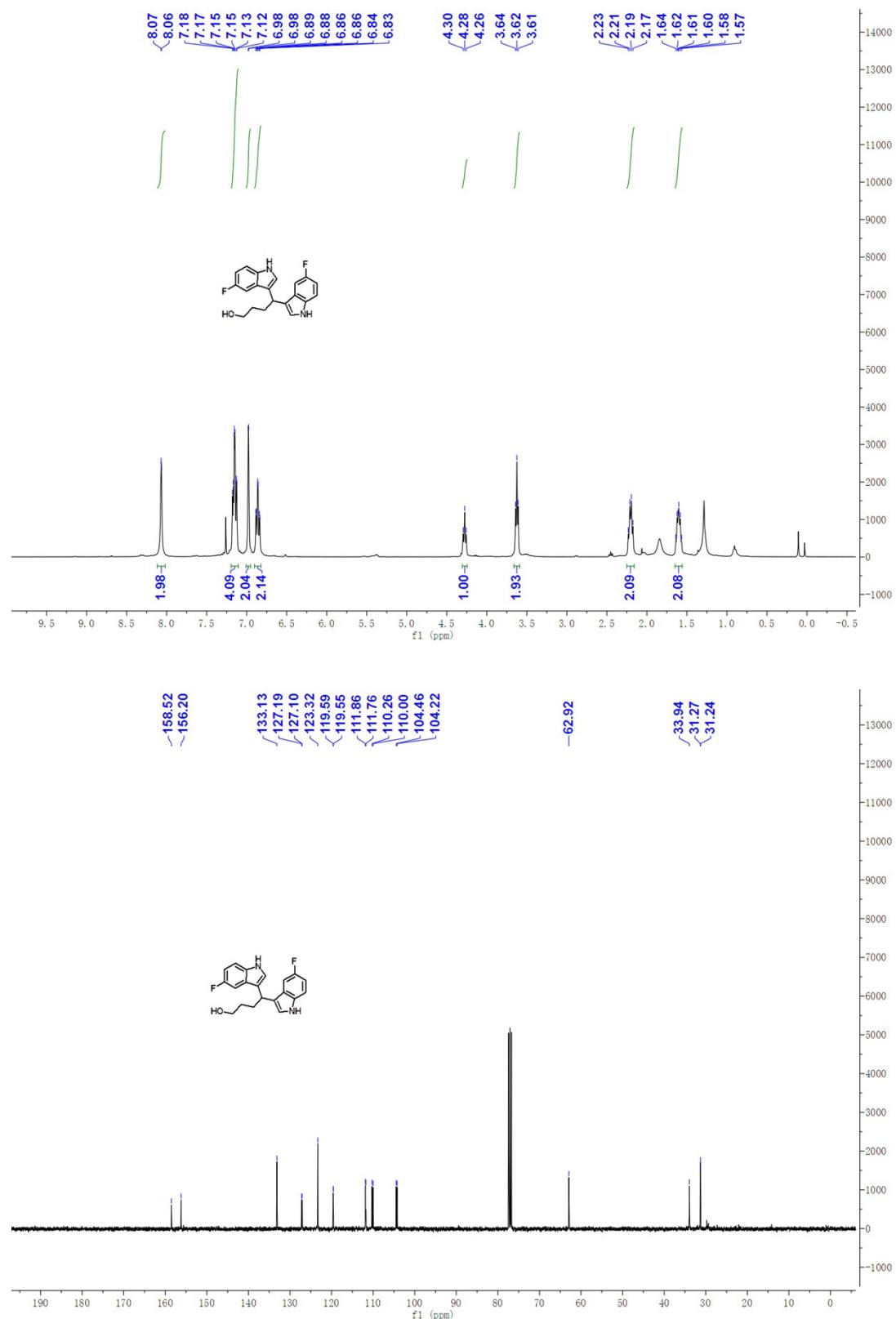
Brown amorphous solid.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.84 (s, 2H, NH), 7.61 (d,  $J$  = 7.9 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.36 (d,  $J$  = 8.1 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.20 (dt,  $J$  = 1.0, 7.1 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.08 (dt,  $J$  = 1.0, 8.1 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 6.90 (d,  $J$  = 2.1 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 4.71 (dq,  $J$  = 6.5, 7.1 Hz, 1H), 1.84 (d,  $J$  = 7.1 Hz, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  136.7, 126.9, 121.8, 121.7, 121.2, 119.8, 119.0, 111.1, 28.2, 21.8. MS (ESI): 261 (M+H<sup>+</sup>, 100). These assignments matched with those previously published.<sup>6</sup>

## 5. Copies of $^1\text{H}$ and $^{13}\text{C}$ Spectra

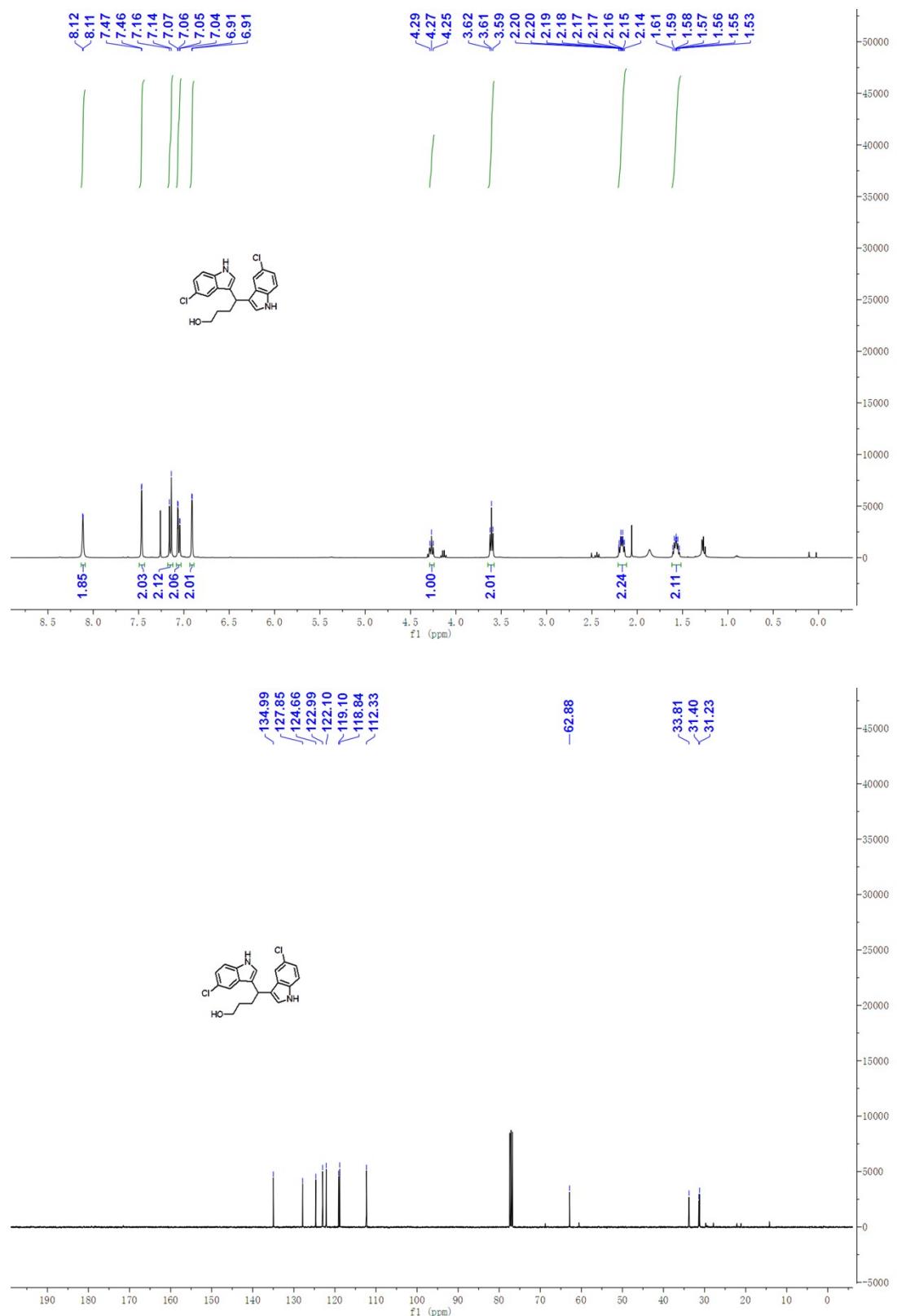
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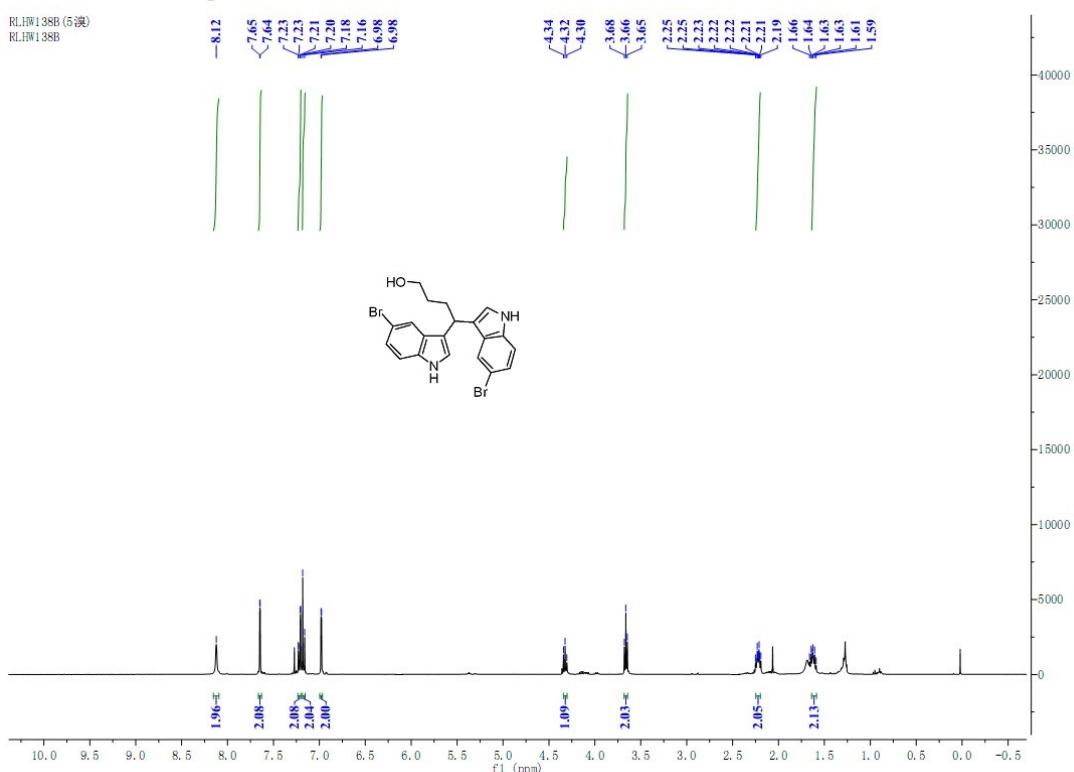


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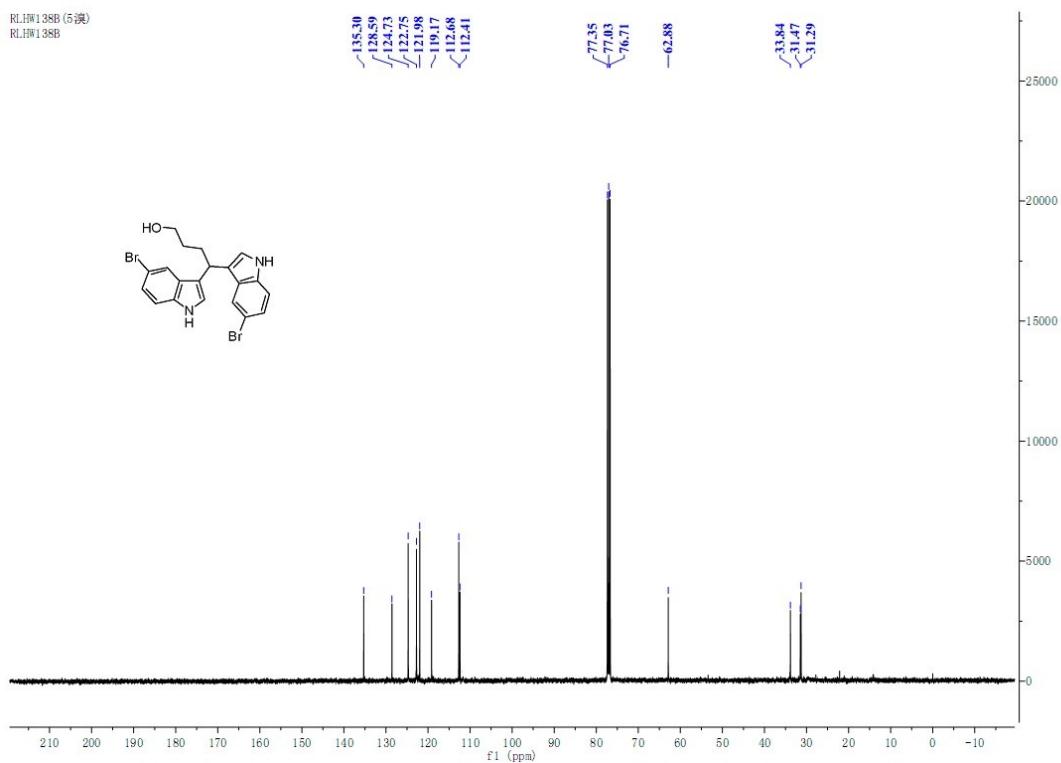


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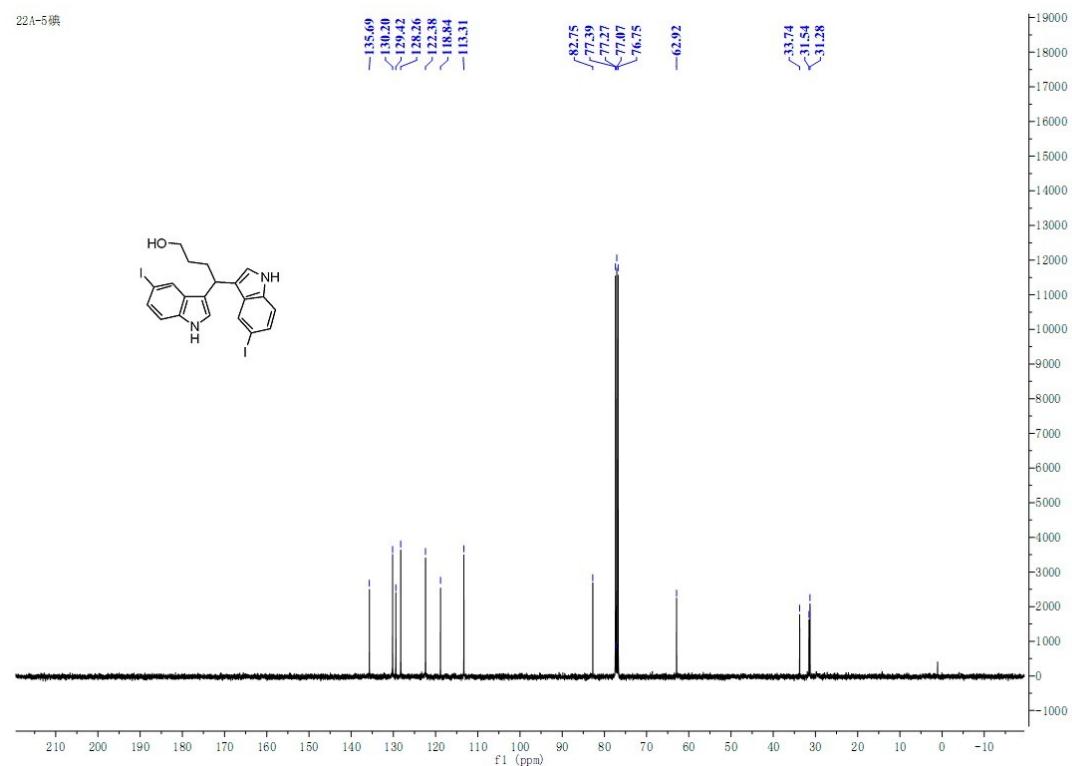
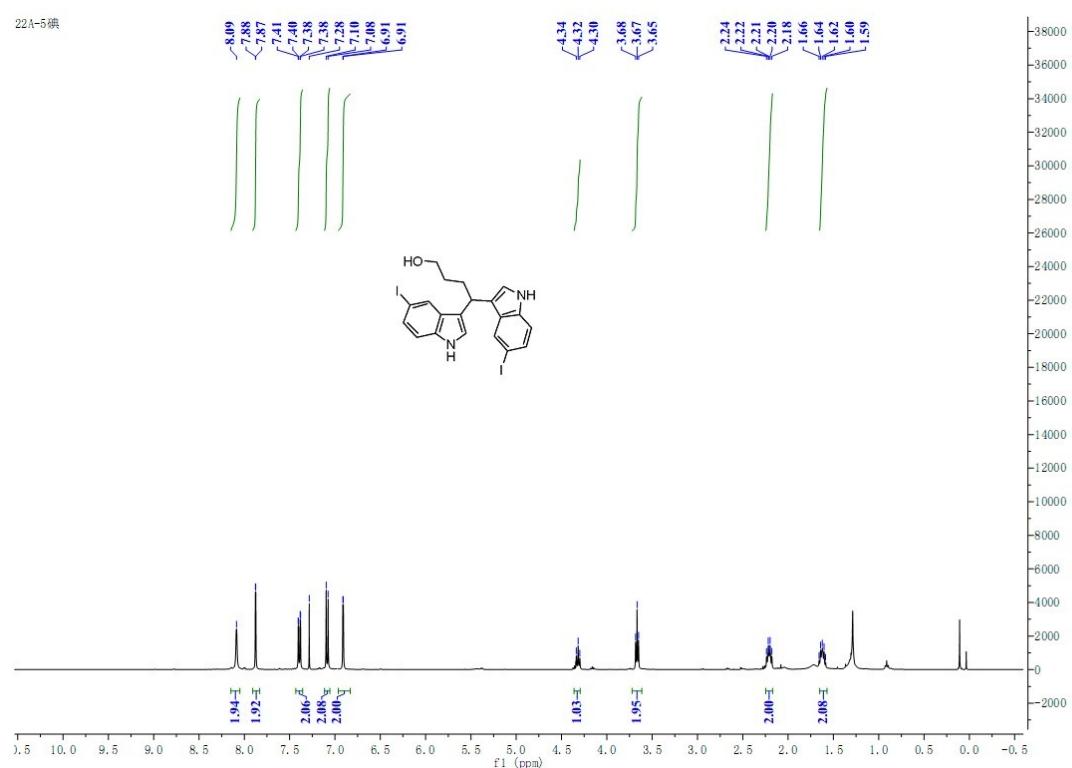
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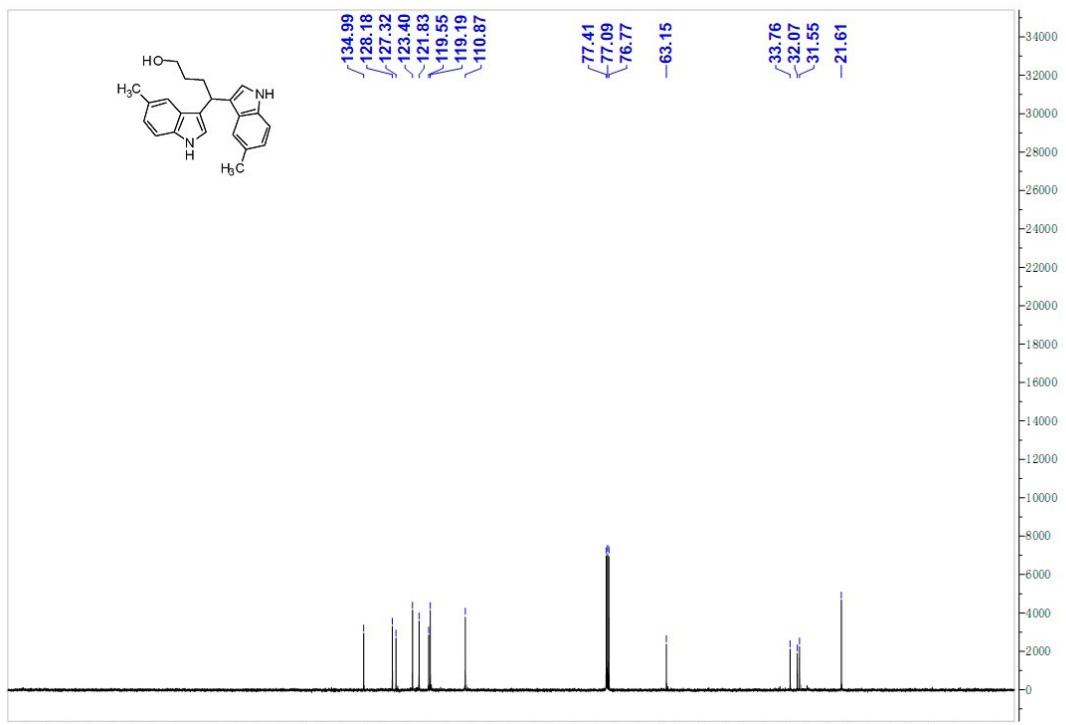
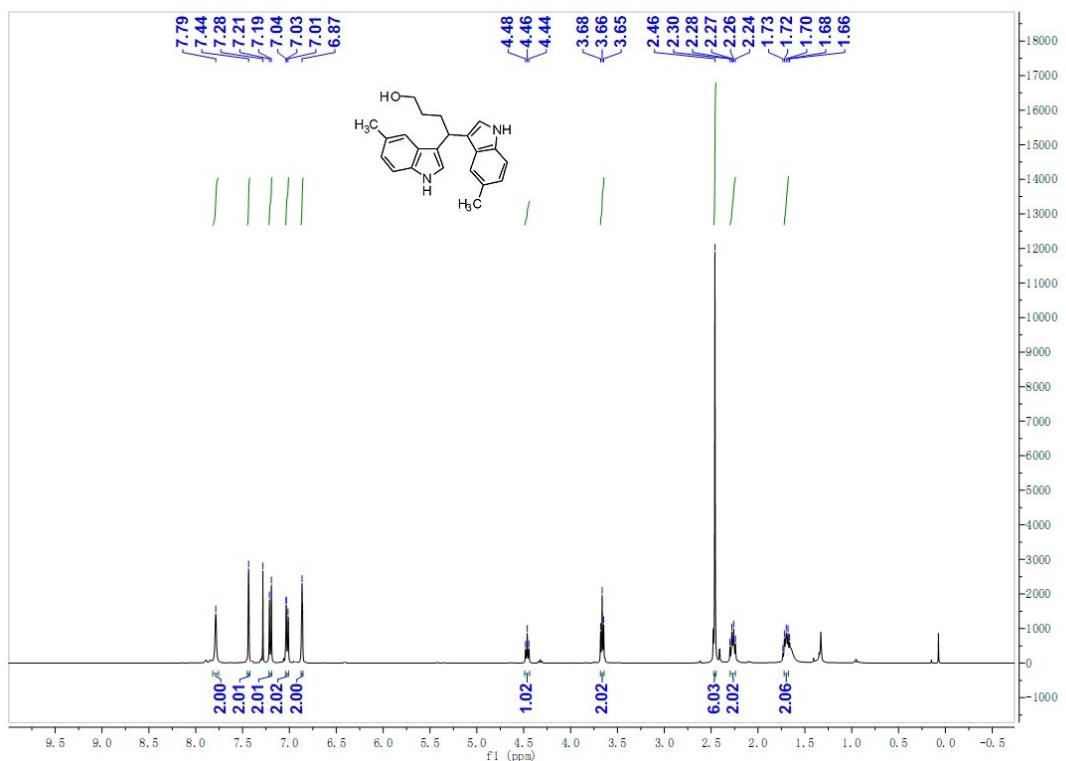
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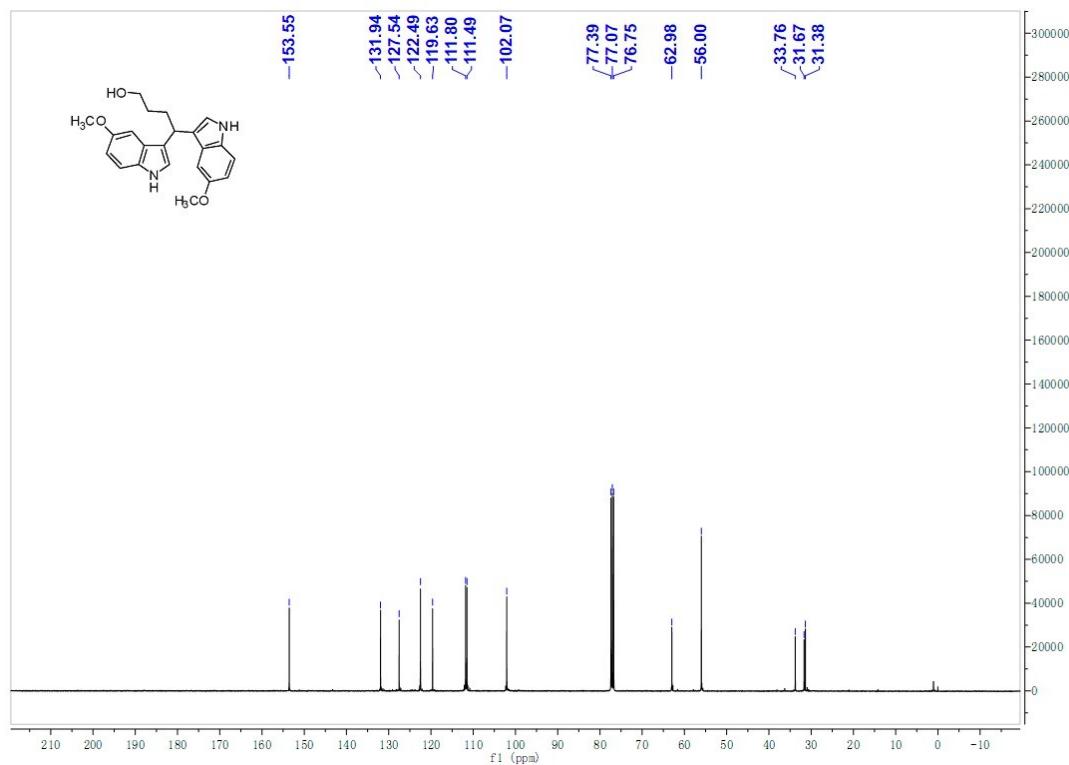
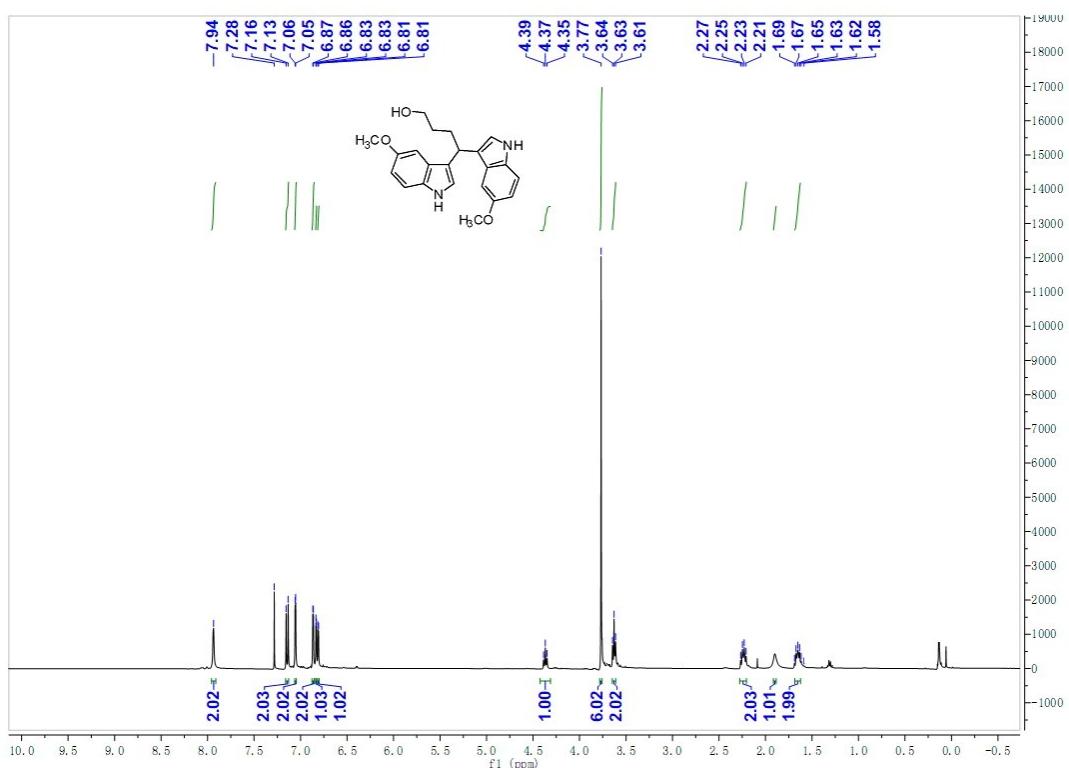
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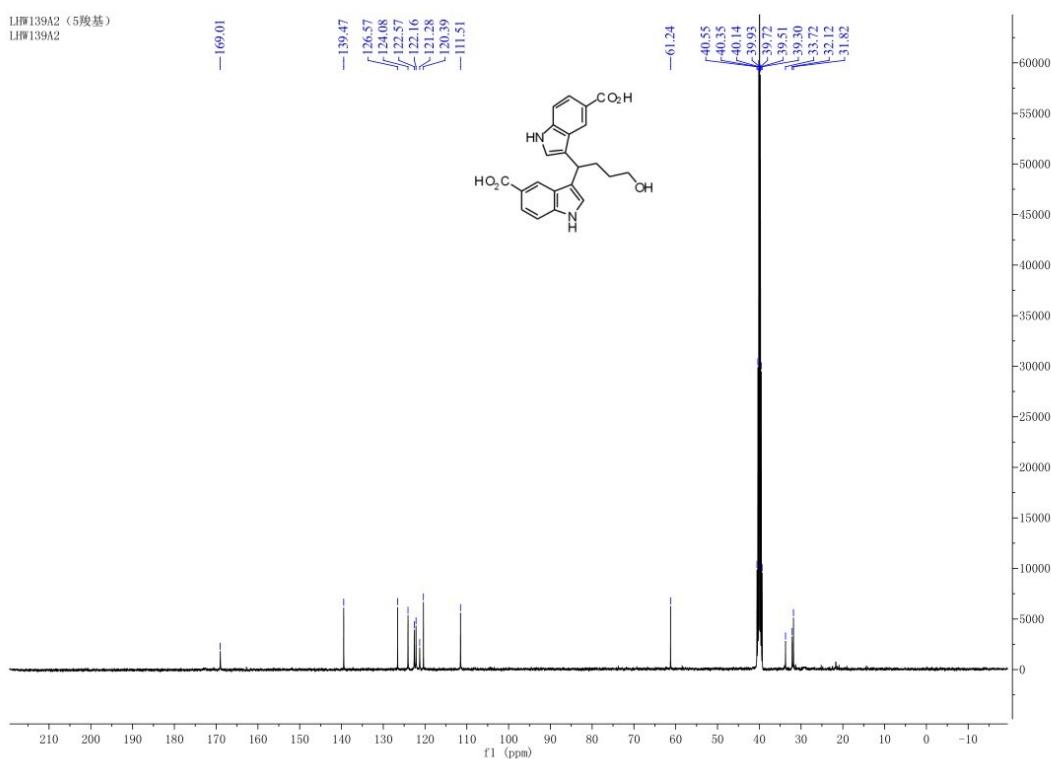
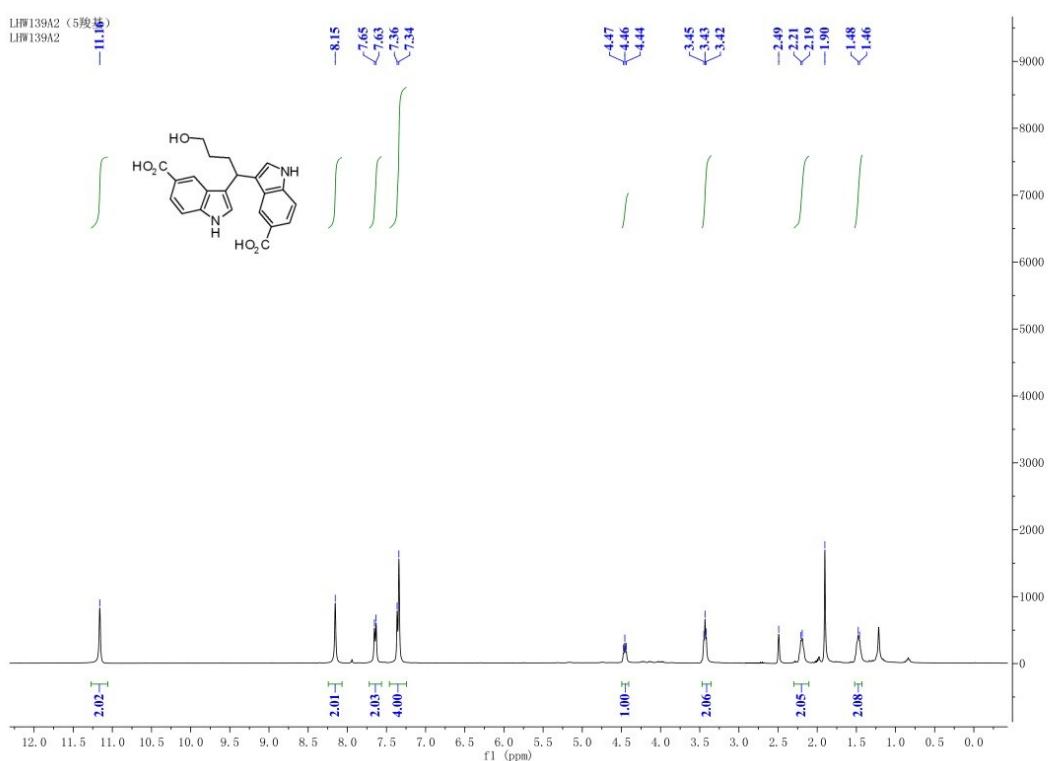
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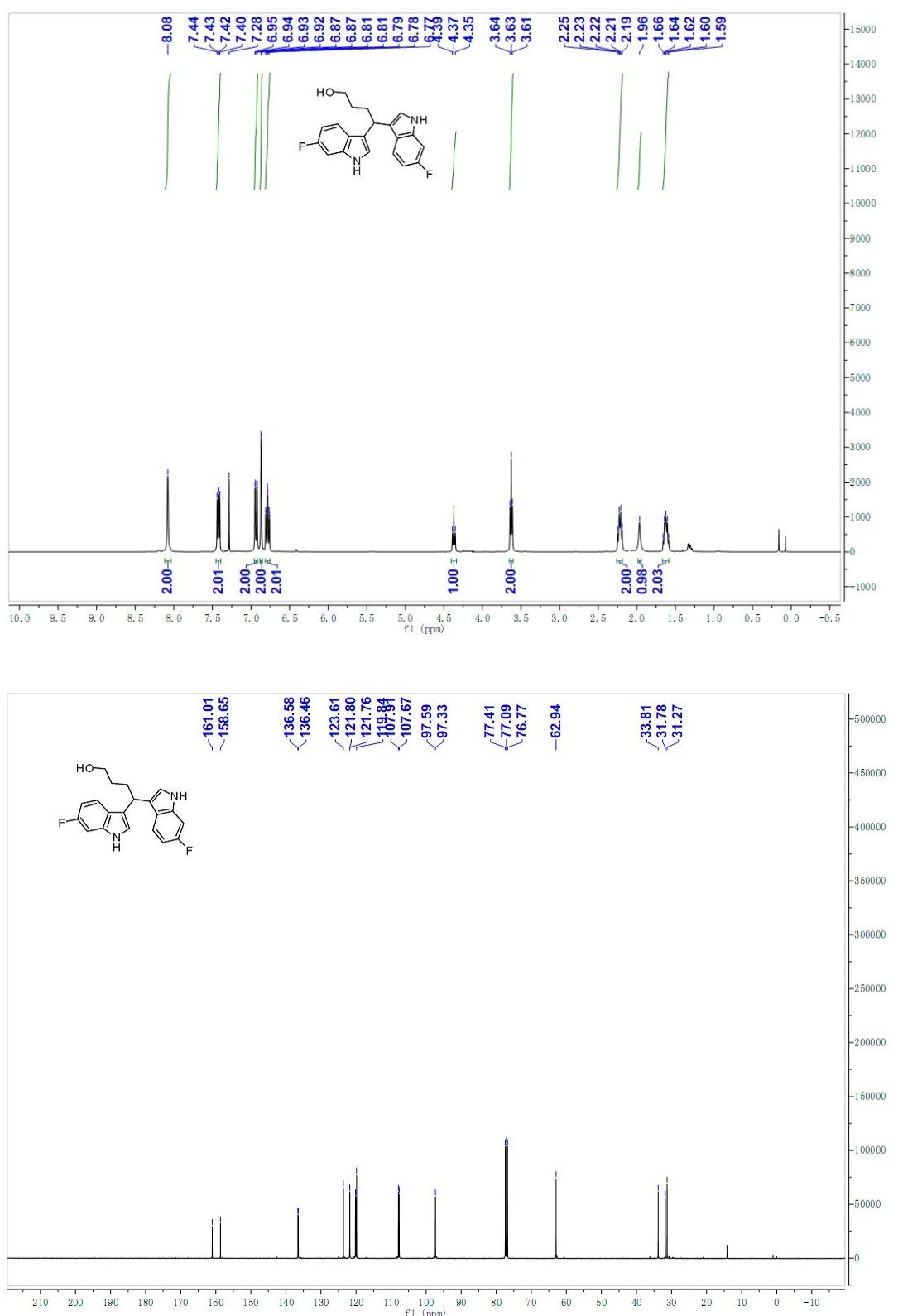
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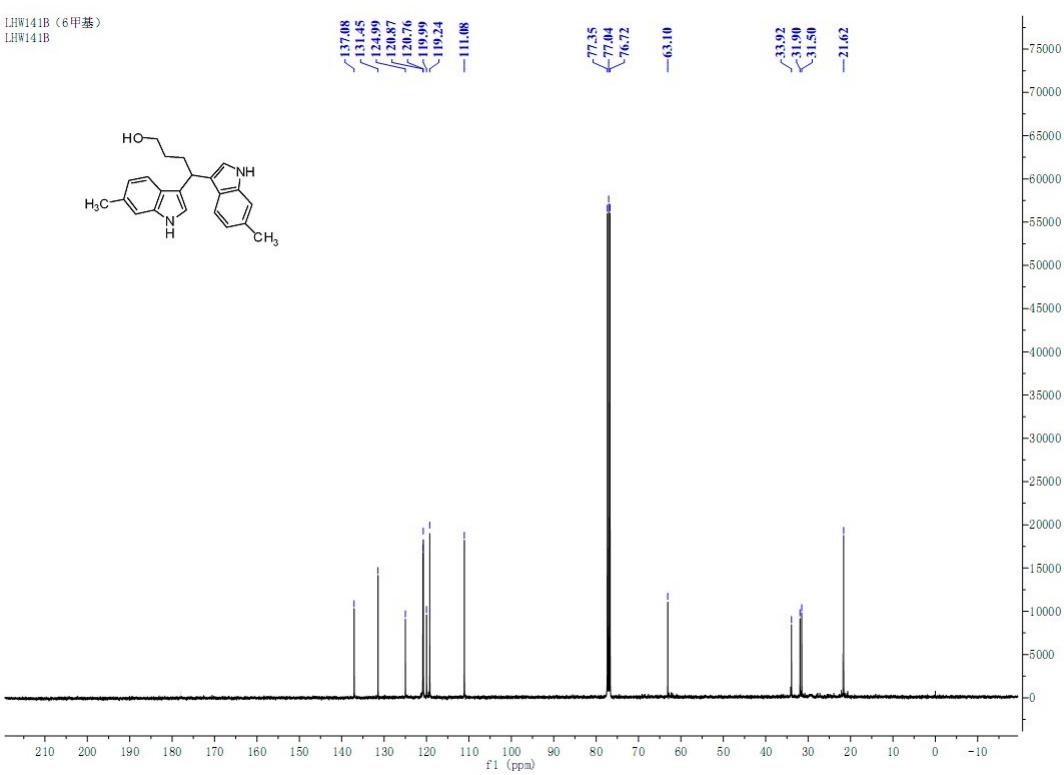
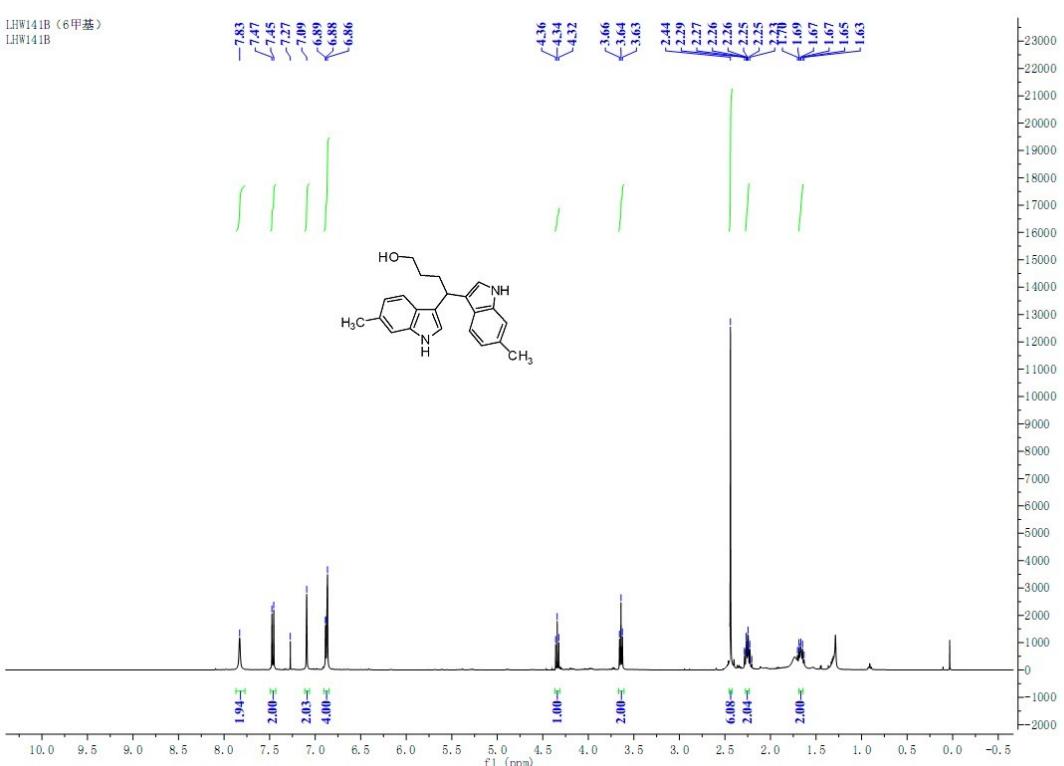
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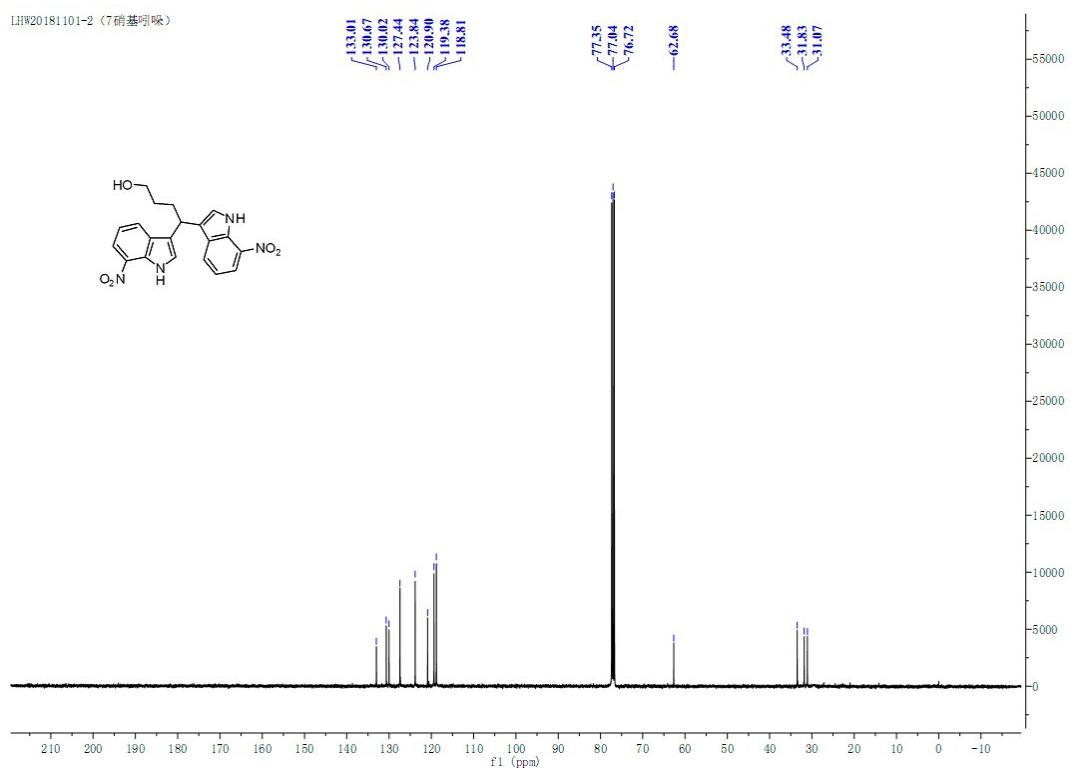
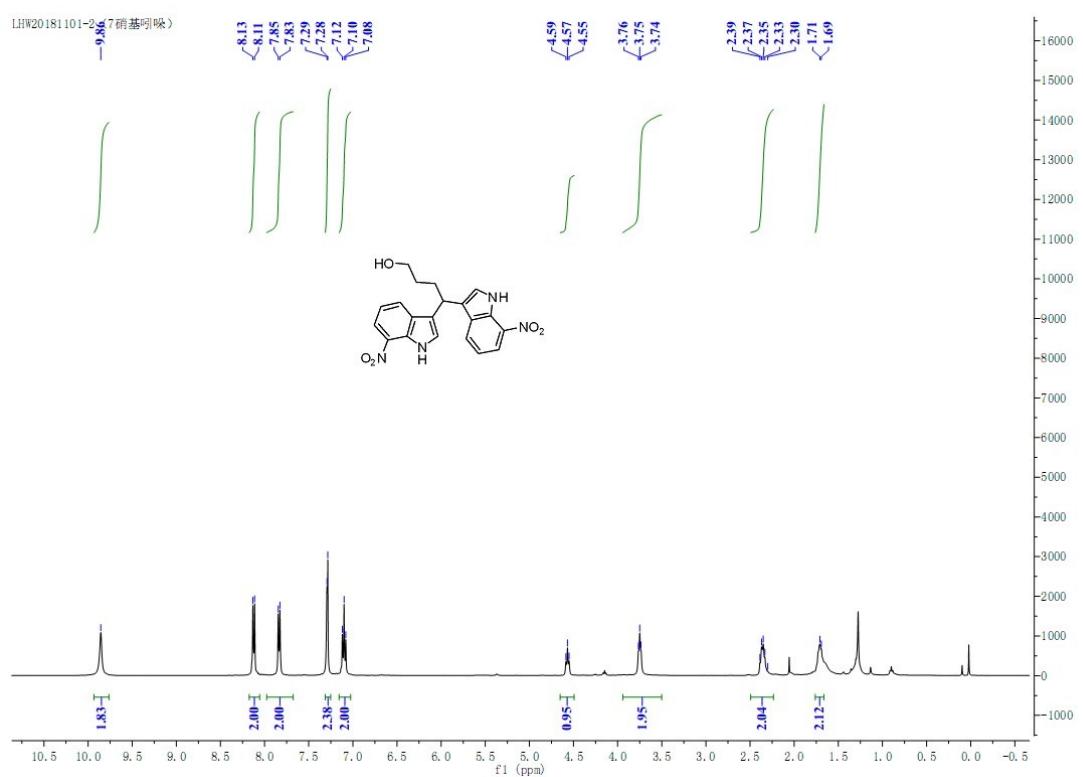
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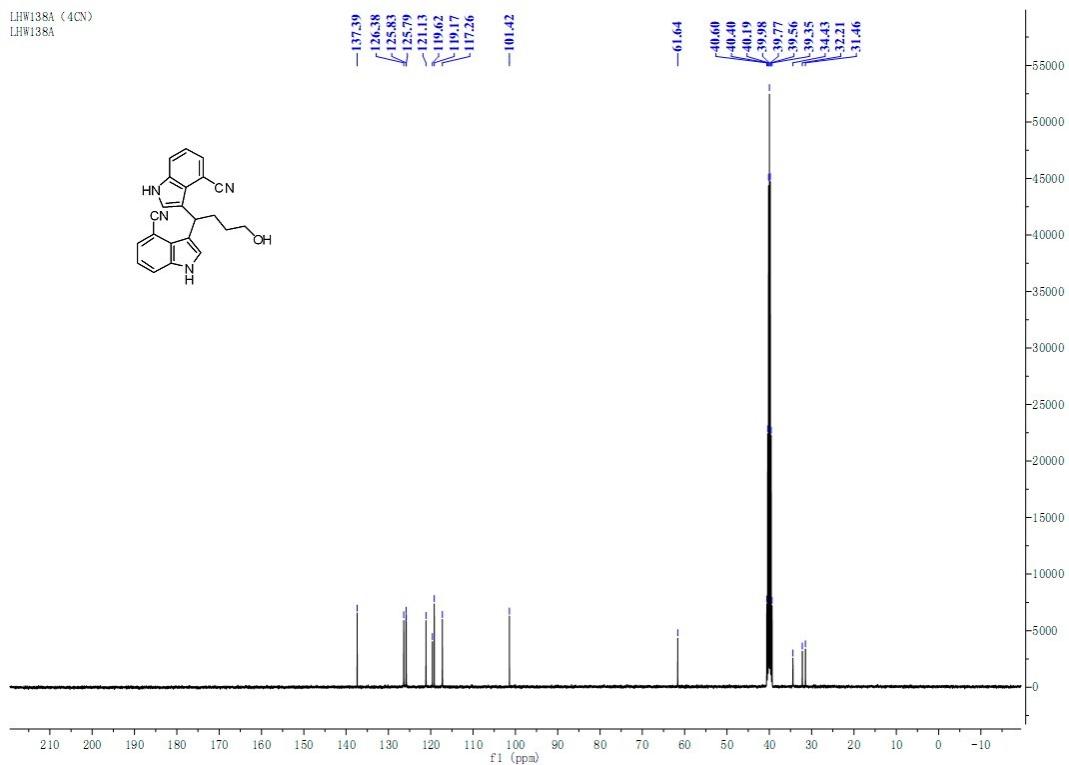
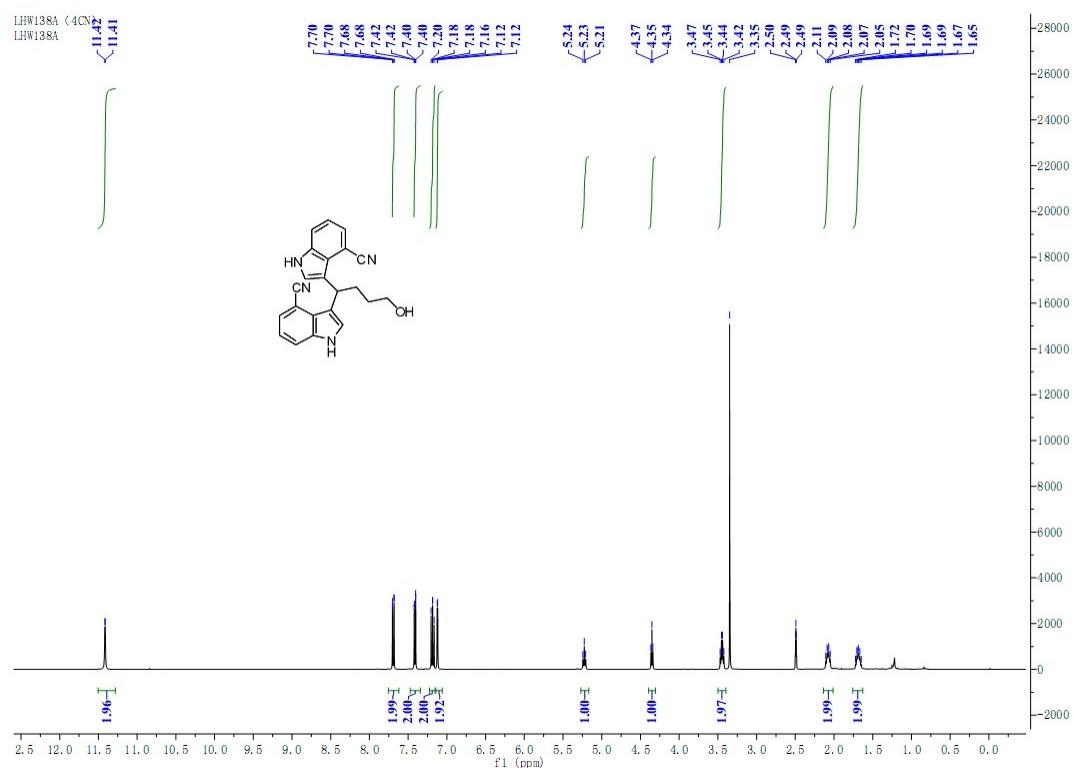
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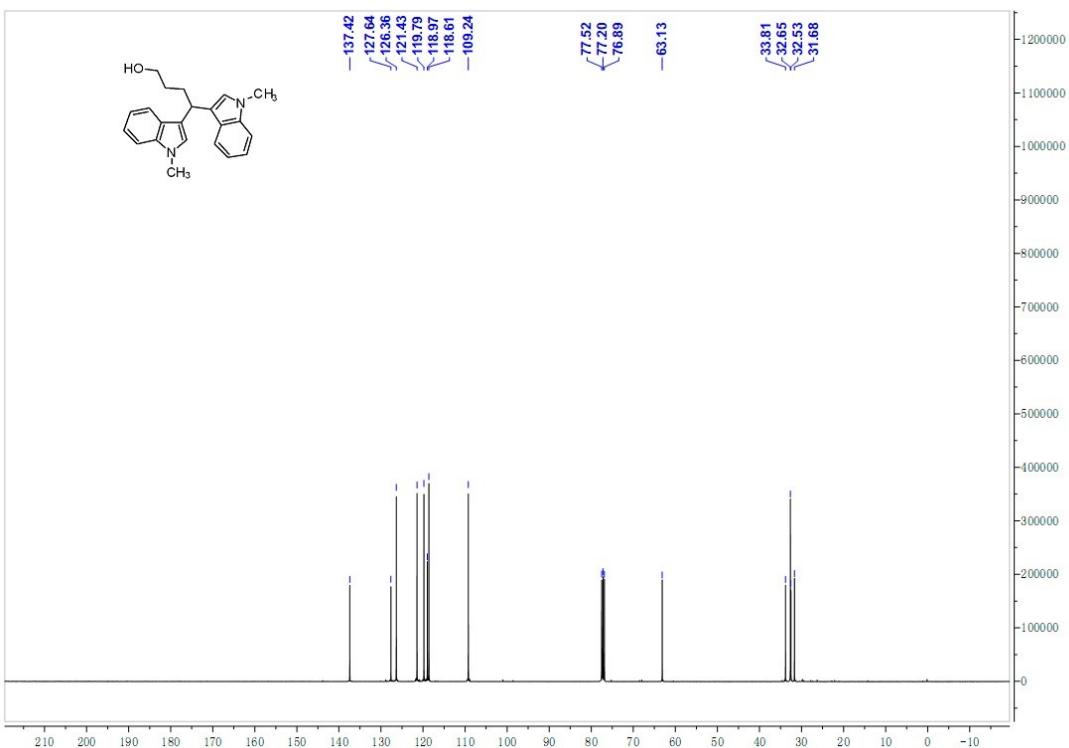
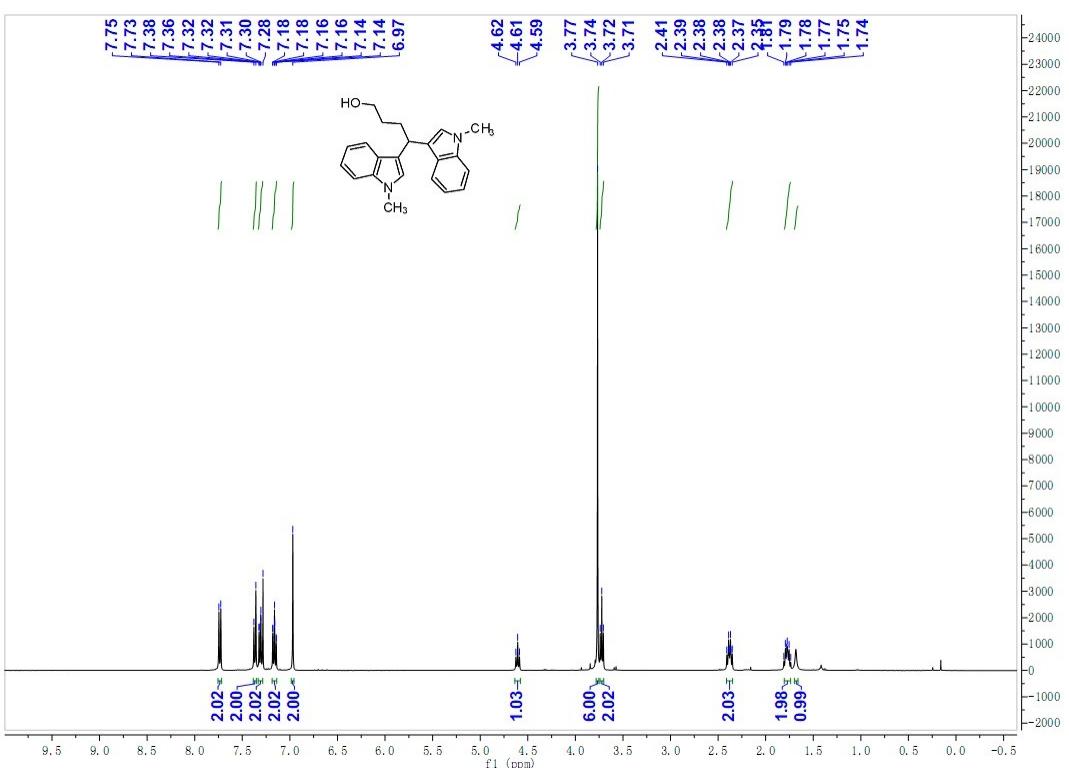
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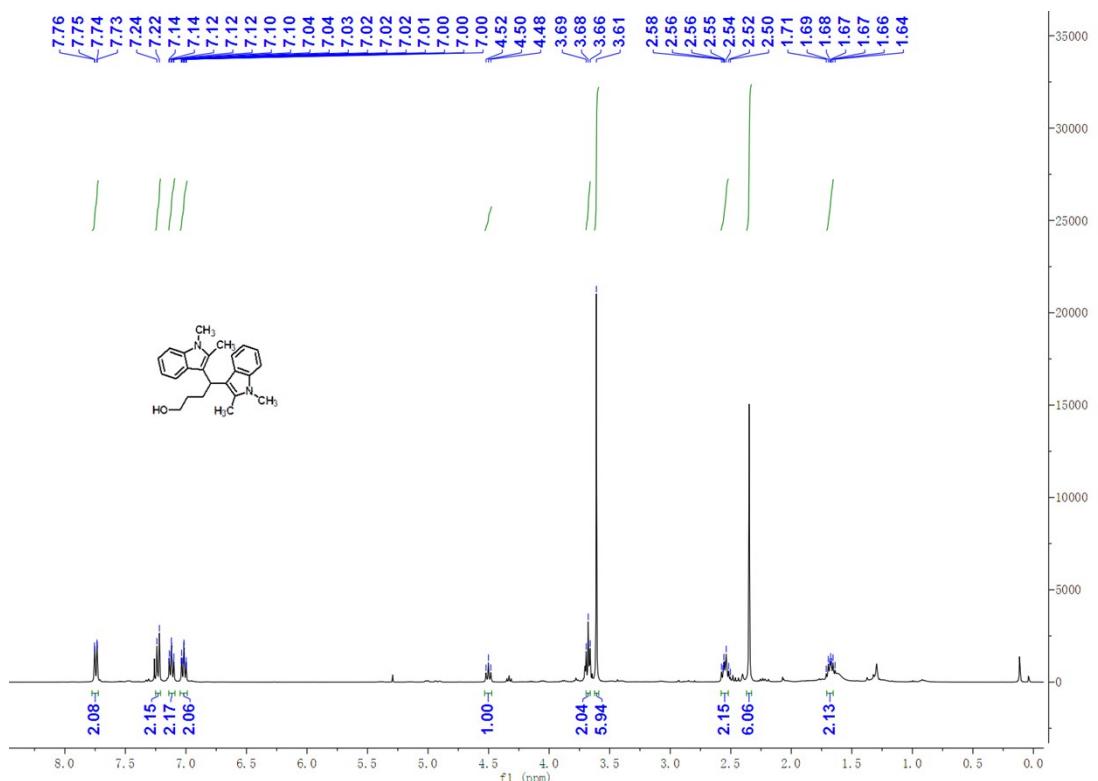
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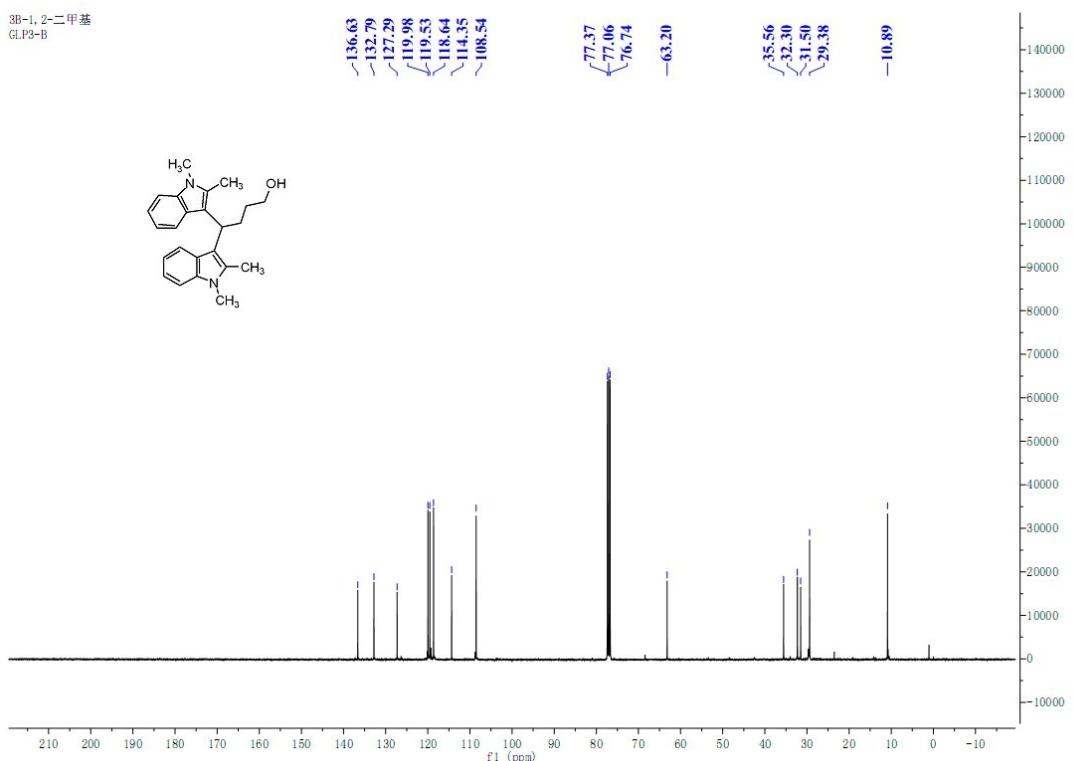
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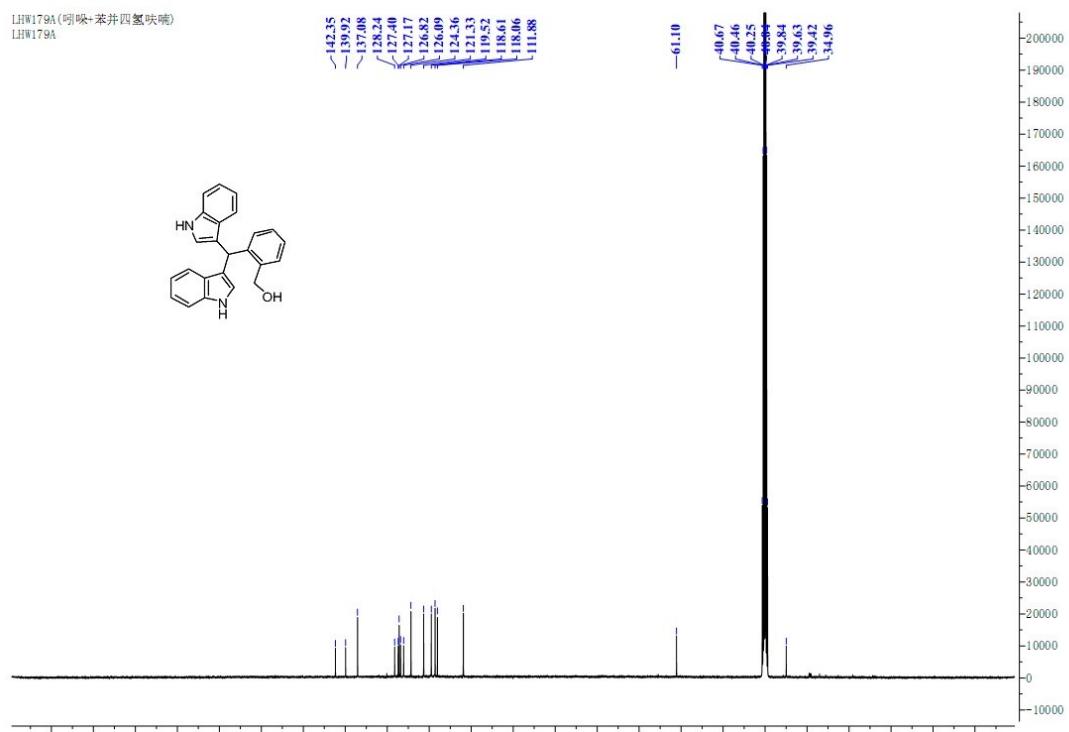
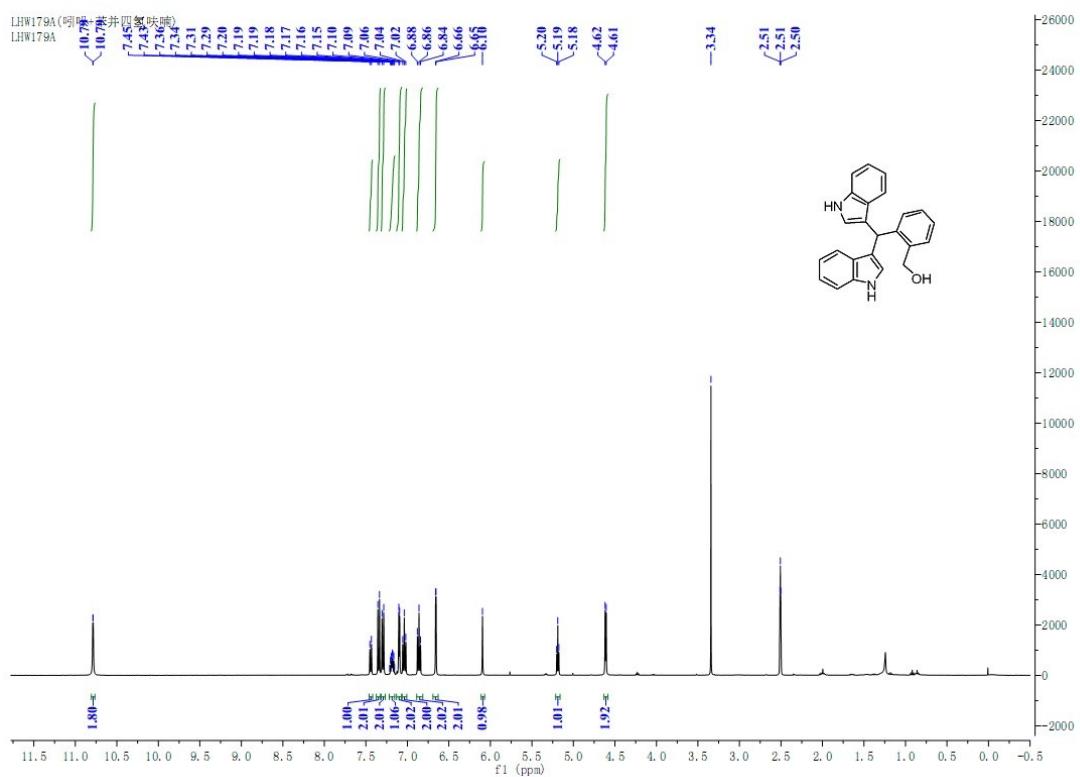
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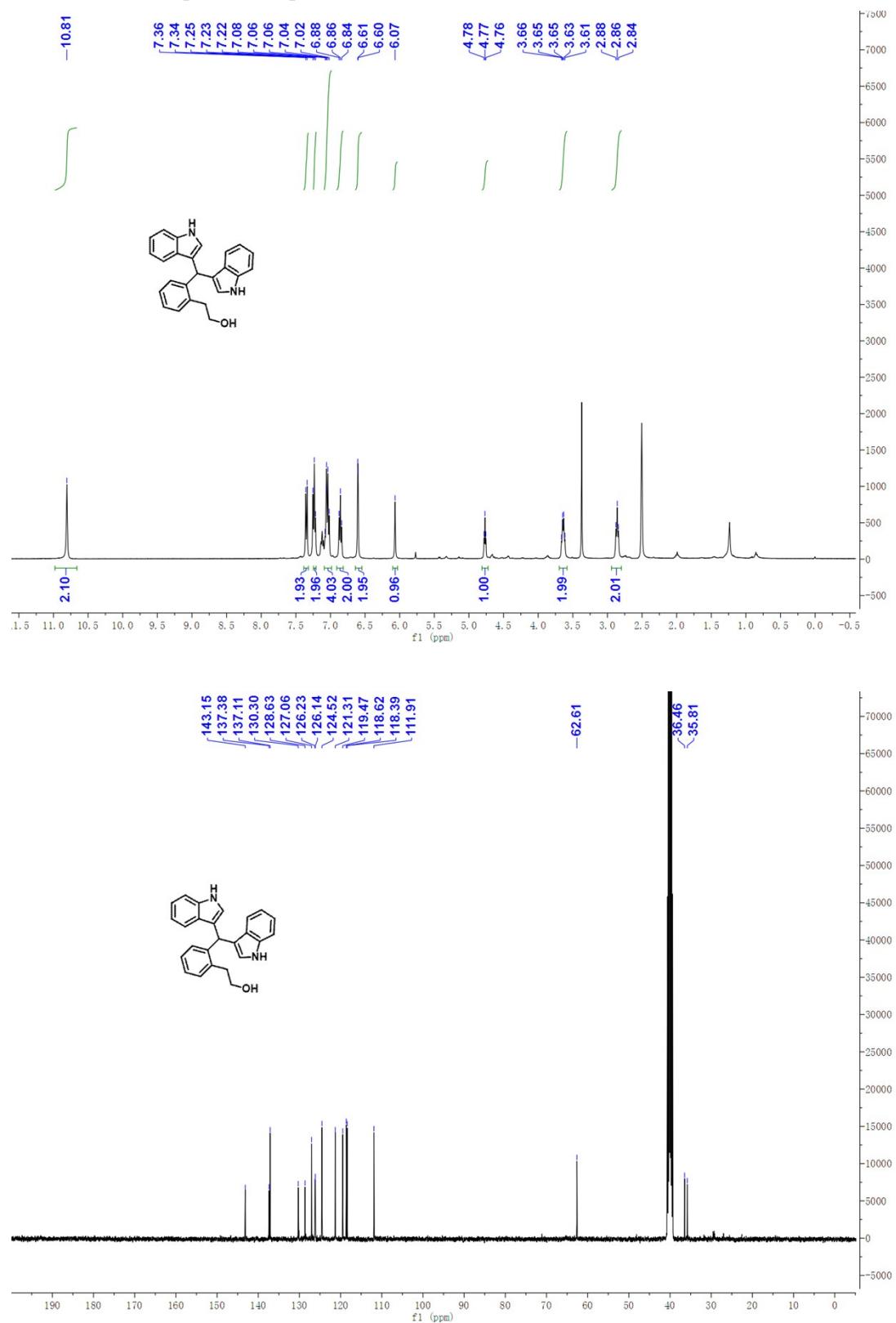
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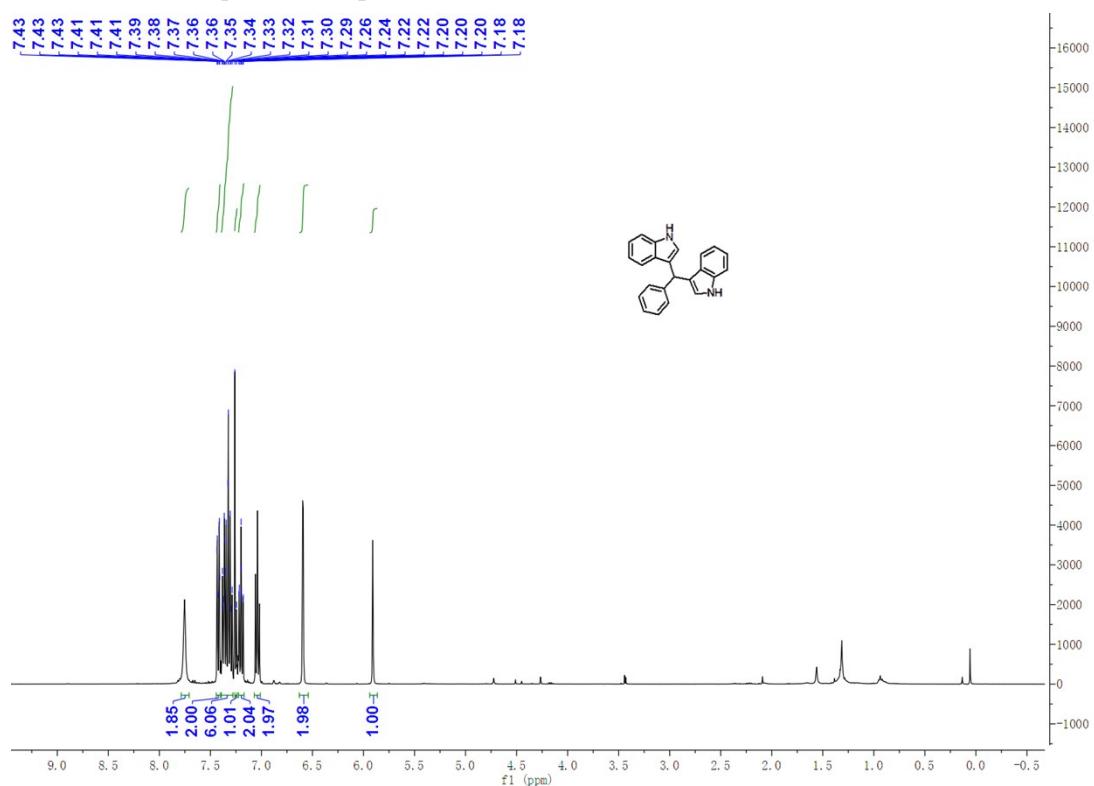
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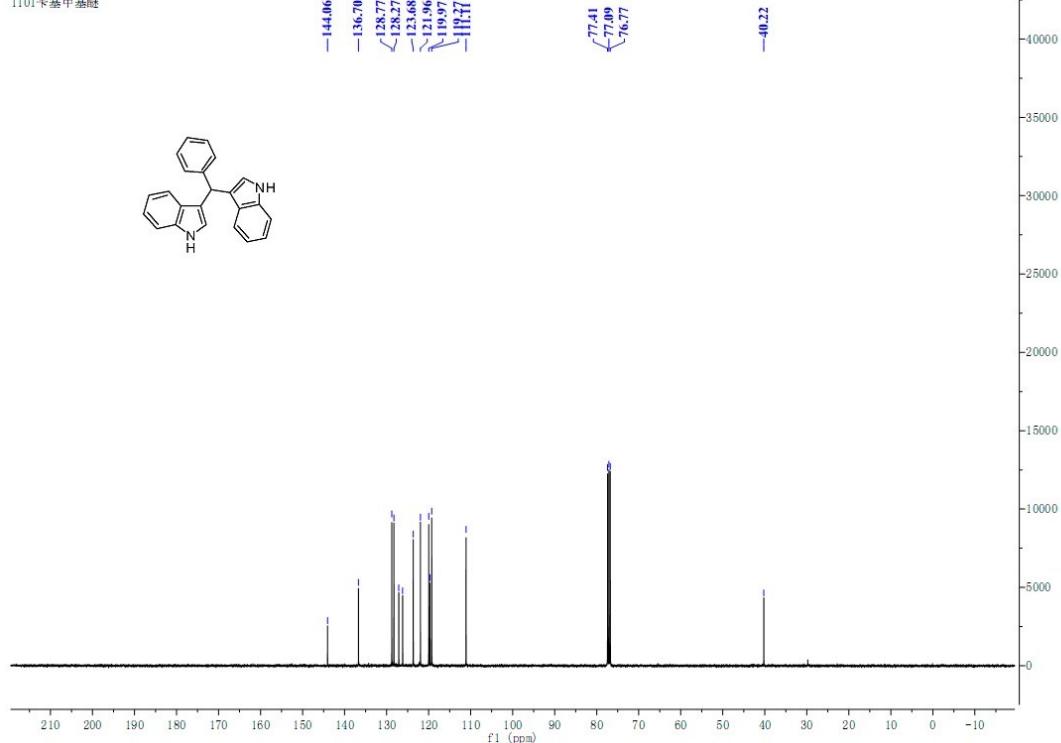
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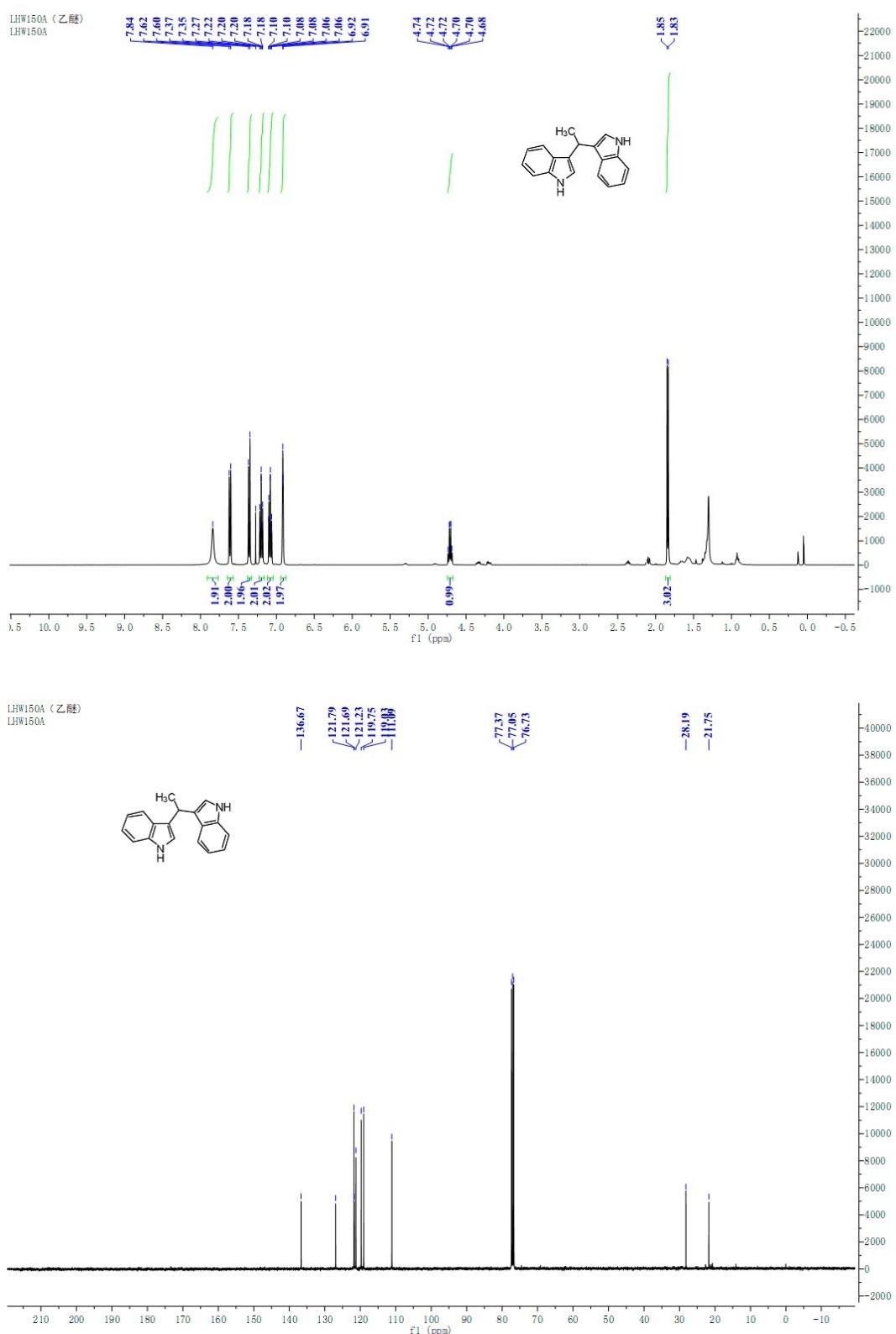
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<sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR Spectra for **3r**



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