

Palladium nano-particles as recyclable catalyst for C-O bond formation under solvent free conditions

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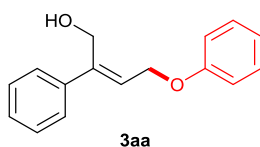
General experimental details

Analytical thin-layer chromatography (TLC) was carried out using 0.2 mm commercial silica gel plates (Yantai Jiangyou Silica Gel Development Co., Ltd., silica gel HSGF 254). Preparative column chromatography employing silica gel (Qingdao Shenghai Fine Silica Gel Chemical Co., Ltd., 200-300 mesh) was performed according to the method of Still. Solvents for the chromatography are listed as volume/volume ratios. High-resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were performed at Instrumental Analysis Center of Xi'an Jiao Tong University using ESI method. Proton nuclear magnetic resonance (^1H NMR) spectra were recorded with a Varian Mercuryplus 400 (400 MHz) spectrometer. Chemical shifts are reported in delta (δ) units, parts per million (ppm) downfield from tetramethylsilane or ppm relative to the center of the singlet at 7.26 ppm for deuteriochloroform. Coupling constants are reported in Hertz (Hz). Carbon-13 nuclear magnetic resonance (^{13}C NMR) spectra were recorded with a Varian Gemini 400 (100 MHz) spectrometer. Chemical shifts are reported in delta (δ) units, ppm relative to the center of the triplet at 77.0 ppm for deuteriochloroform. ^{13}C NMR spectra were routinely run with broadband decoupling. $\text{Pd}_2(\text{dba})_3$ and other palladium catalysts were purchased from Energy Chemicals and Aladin/Sigma-Aldrich companies and used as received. Substituted vinyl ethylene carbonates (VECs) were synthesized according to the previously reported procedure.¹ All other chemicals were used as received from commercial resources.

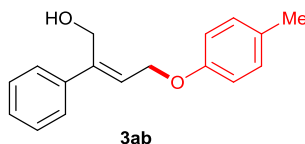
General procedure for PdNPs catalyzed cross coupling of vinyl cyclic carbonate **1a** with phenol (**2a**)

To an oven dried screw-cap reaction tube equipped with a magnetic stir bar, Pd₂(dba)₃ (2.5 mol%), vinyl cyclic carbonate **1a** (0.2 mmol) and phenol **2a** (0.3 mmol). The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 15 hours. After the completion of reaction, the product **3aa** was isolated by using flash column chromatography using PE/EA (10:1) as a solvent. The *Z/E* ratio of the product was determined by ¹H-NMR analysis.

Scale-up Experiment: To an oven dried screw-cap reaction tube equipped with a magnetic stir bar, Pd₂(dba)₃ (2.5 mol%), vinyl cyclic carbonate **1a** (10.0 mmol, 1.9g) and phenol **2a** (15 mmol, 1.41g) were added. The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 15 hours. After the completion of reaction, the residue was filtered, washed with ethanol, concentrated and purified by flash column chromatography to afford the product **3aa** in 81% yield (1.94g). The upper solid layer was further recycled and examined for TEM analysis.

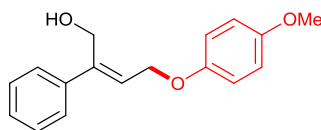


(*Z*)-4-phenoxy-2-phenylbut-2-en-1-ol (**3aa**)² was prepared according to the general procedure from **1a** and **2a**. The crude product was purified by flash column chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1) on silica gel to provide the title compound as a light-yellow oil in 93% yield (44.7 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.49–7.45 (m, 2H), 7.38–7.28 (m, 5H), 6.99–6.93 (m, 3H), 6.15 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.80 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 4.61 (s, 2H), 1.89 (brs, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.3, 143.2, 139.9, 129.5, 128.6, 127.9, 126.4, 126.2, 121.1, 114.8, 64.4, 60.3; HRMS (ESI-MS): Calcd. for C₁₆H₁₆O₂ (M + Na): 263.1048, Found: 263.1054.



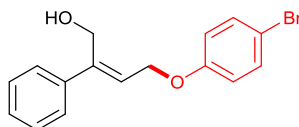
(*Z*)-2-phenyl-4-(*p*-tolylloxy)but-2-en-1-ol (**3ab**) was prepared according to the general procedure from **1a** and **2b**. The crude product was purified by flash column chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1) on silica gel to provide the title compound as a colorless oil in 91% yield (46.3 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.49–7.45 (m, 2H), 7.37–7.27 (m, 3H), 7.11–7.08 (m, 2H), 6.87–6.83 (m, 2H), 6.15 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.77 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 4.60 (s, 2H), 2.29 (s, 3H), 1.87 (brs, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.2, 143.2, 139.9, 130.4,

130.0, 128.5, 127.8, 126.4, 126.3, 114.7, 64.6, 60.3, 20.5; HRMS (ESI-MS): Calcd. for $C_{17}H_{18}O_2$ ($M + Na$): 277.1204, Found: 277.1208.



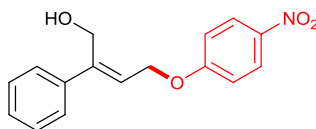
3ac

(Z)-4-(4-methoxyphenoxy)-2-phenylbut-2-en-1-ol (3ac)² was prepared according to the general procedure from **1a** and **2c**. The crude product was purified by flash column chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1) on silica gel to provide the title compound as a white solid in 96% yield (52.0 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.49–7.46 (m, 2H), 7.38–7.28 (m, 3H), 6.92–6.83 (m, 4H), 6.15 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.75 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 4.60 (s, 2H), 3.77 (s, 3H), 1.84 (brs, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 154.1, 152.4, 143.2, 139.9, 128.6, 127.8, 126.4, 126.3, 115.9, 114.7, 65.2, 60.3, 55.7; HRMS (ESI-MS): Calcd. for $C_{17}H_{18}O_3$ ($M + Na$): 293.1154, Found: 293.1162.



3ad

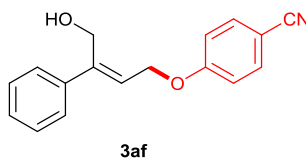
(Z)-4-(4-bromophenoxy)-2-phenylbut-2-en-1-ol (3ad) was prepared according to the general procedure from **1a** and **2d**. The crude product was purified by flash column chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1) on silica gel to provide the title compound as a white solid in 88% yield (56.2 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.48–7.44 (m, 2H), 7.41–7.29 (m, 5H), 6.85–6.81 (m, 2H), 6.11 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.78 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 4.62 (s, 2H), 1.75 (brs, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.5, 143.3, 139.7, 132.3, 128.6, 128.0, 126.5, 125.7, 116.5, 113.3, 64.7, 60.4; HRMS (ESI-MS): Calcd. for $C_{16}H_{15}BrO_2$ ($M + Na$): 341.0153, Found: 341.0147.



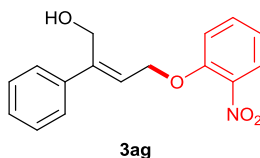
3ae

(Z)-4-(4-nitrophenoxy)-2-phenylbut-2-en-1-ol (3ae) was prepared according to the general procedure from **1a** and **2e**. The crude product was purified by flash column chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1) on silica gel to provide the title compound as a light yellow solid in 92% yield (52.5 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.23–8.19 (m, 2H), 7.48–7.45 (m, 2H), 7.42–7.31 (m, 3H), 7.04–7.00 (m, 2H), 6.10 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.94 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 4.66 (s, 2H), 1.78 (brs, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 163.5, 143.6, 141.7, 139.4, 128.7, 128.2,

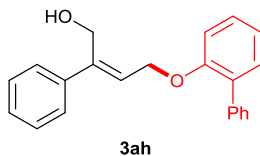
126.5, 126.0, 124.8, 114.7, 65.3, 60.5; HRMS (ESI-MS): Calcd. for $C_{16}H_{15}NO_4$ (M + Na): 308.0899, Found: 308.0906.



(Z)-4-((4-hydroxy-3-phenylbut-2-en-1-yl)oxy)benzonitrile (3af) was prepared according to the general procedure from **1a** and **2f**. The crude product was purified by flash column chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1) on silica gel to provide the title compound as a white solid in 93% yield (49.3 mg). 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.62–7.59 (m, 2H), 7.48–7.45 (m, 2H), 7.41–7.34 (m, 3H), 7.03–6.99 (m, 2H), 6.10 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.89 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 4.66 (s, 2H), 1.63 (brs, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 161.7, 143.6, 139.5, 134.1, 128.7, 128.2, 126.5, 125.0, 119.1, 115.4, 104.3, 64.8, 60.5; HRMS (ESI-MS): Calcd. for $C_{17}H_{15}NO_2$ (M + Na): 288.1000, Found: 288.1008.

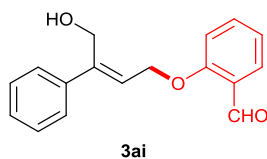


(Z)-4-(2-nitrophenoxy)-2-phenylbut-2-en-1-ol (3ag) was prepared according to the general procedure from **1a** and **2g**. The crude product was purified by flash column chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1) on silica gel to provide the title compound as a light yellow solid in 84% yield (48.0 mg). 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.86 (dd, J = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.57–7.47 (m, 3H), 7.40–7.31 (m, 3H), 7.17 (dd, J = 1.2, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.08–7.04 (m, 1H), 6.16 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.97 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 4.64 (s, 2H), 2.07 (brs, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 151.8, 145.0, 140.1, 139.6, 134.2, 128.6, 128.1, 126.5, 125.9, 124.1, 120.7, 114.8, 65.8, 60.6; HRMS (ESI-MS): Calcd. for $C_{16}H_{15}NO_4$ (M + Na): 308.0899, Found: 308.0907.

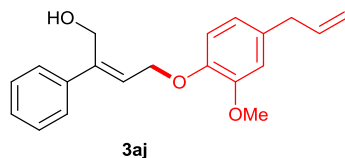


(Z)-4-([1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yloxy)-2-phenylbut-2-en-1-ol (3ah) was prepared according to the general procedure from **1a** and **2h**. The crude product was purified by flash column chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1) on silica gel to provide the title compound as a white solid in 89% yield (56.3 mg). 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.56–7.52 (m, 2H), 7.42–7.38 (m, 4H), 7.36–7.29 (m, 6H), 7.09–7.04 (m, 2H), 6.08 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.77 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 4.45 (s, 2H), 1.55 (brs, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 155.3, 143.2, 139.9,

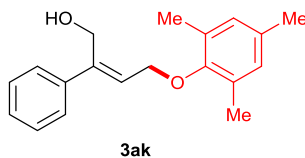
138.3, 131.4, 131.1, 129.5, 128.6, 128.5, 128.1, 127.8, 127.0, 126.4, 126.0, 121.6, 113.4, 65.1, 60.3; HRMS (ESI-MS): Calcd. for C₂₂H₂₀O₂ (M + Na): 339.1361, Found: 339.1354.



(Z)-2-((4-hydroxy-3-phenylbut-2-en-1-yl)oxy)benzaldehyde (3ai) was prepared according to the general procedure from **1a** and **2i**. The crude product was purified by flash column chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1) on silica gel to provide the title compound as a light-yellow oil in 82% yield (44.0 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.45 (s, 1H), 7.84 (dd, *J* = 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.58–7.47 (m, 3H), 7.40–7.32 (m, 3H), 7.08–7.04 (m, 2H), 6.16 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.95 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 4.66 (s, 2H), 2.04 (brs, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 190.0, 160.6, 143.6, 139.6, 135.9, 129.5, 128.7, 128.1, 126.5, 125.1, 125.0, 121.0, 112.8, 65.0, 60.4; HRMS (ESI-MS): Calcd. for C₁₇H₁₆O₃ (M + Na): 291.0997, Found: 291.1005.

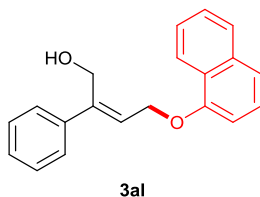


(Z)-4-(4-allyl-2-methoxyphenoxy)-2-phenylbut-2-en-1-ol (3aj) was prepared according to the general procedure from **1a** and **2j**. The crude product was purified by flash column chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1) on silica gel to provide the title compound as a white solid in 90% yield (55.8 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.55–7.50 (m, 2H), 7.37–7.27 (m, 3H), 6.88 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 6.75–6.72 (m, 2H), 6.24 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 6.01–5.91 (m, 1H), 5.12–5.05 (m, 2H), 4.78 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 4.54 (s, 2H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 3.34 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 2.77 (brs, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 149.2, 145.9, 145.2, 140.5, 137.5, 133.5, 128.5, 127.7, 126.3, 125.5, 120.4, 115.7, 113.3, 111.9, 65.1, 60.7, 55.7, 39.8; HRMS (ESI-MS): Calcd. for C₂₀H₂₂O₃ (M + Na): 333.1467, Found: 333.1475.

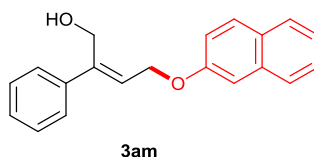


(Z)-4-(mesityloxy)-2-phenylbut-2-en-1-ol (3ak) was prepared according to the general procedure from **1a** and **2k**. The crude product was purified by flash column chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1) on silica gel to provide the title compound as a light-yellow oil in 72% yield (40.7 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.52–7.49 (m, 2H), 7.43–7.31 (m, 3H), 6.84 (s, 2H), 6.25 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.56 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 4.55 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.29 (s, 6H), 2.24 (s, 3H), 1.74 (brt, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 153.0, 143.5, 140.2, 133.5,

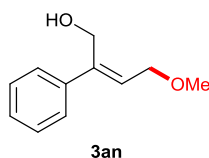
130.6, 129.5, 128.6, 127.8, 126.5, 126.4, 68.4, 60.2, 20.6, 16.5; HRMS (ESI-MS): Calcd. for $C_{19}H_{22}O_2$ (M + Na): 305.1517, Found: 305.1524.



(Z)-4-(naphthalen-1-yloxy)-2-phenylbut-2-en-1-ol (3al) was prepared according to the general procedure from **1a** and **2l**. The crude product was purified by flash column chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1) on silica gel to provide the title compound as a yellow solid in 94% yield (54.6 mg). 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 8.30–8.27 (m, 1H), 7.82–7.78 (m, 1H), 7.52–7.44 (m, 5H), 7.39–6.31 (m, 4H), 6.87 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.28 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.98 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 4.67 (s, 2H), 1.74 (brs, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 154.2, 142.9, 139.8, 134.5, 128.6, 127.9, 127.5, 126.5, 126.4, 126.3, 125.8, 125.7, 125.3, 121.9, 120.7, 105.2, 64.8, 60.3; HRMS (ESI-MS): Calcd. for $C_{20}H_{18}O_2$ (M + Na): 313.1204, Found: 313.1206.

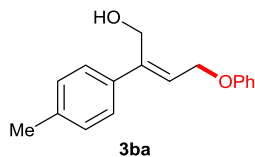


(Z)-4-(naphthalen-2-yloxy)-2-phenylbut-2-en-1-ol (3am) was prepared according to the general procedure from **1a** and **2m**. The crude product was purified by flash column chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1) on silica gel to provide the title compound as a light yellow solid in 92% yield (53.4 mg). 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 8.78–8.73 (m, 3H), 7.51–7.42 (m, 3H), 7.39–7.31 (m, 4H), 7.21–6.17 (m, 2H), 6.22 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.92 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 4.67 (s, 2H), 1.79 (brs, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 156.3, 143.2, 139.8, 134.5, 129.6, 129.1, 128.6, 127.9, 127.7, 126.8, 126.5, 126.4, 126.1, 123.8, 118.9, 107.1, 64.5, 60.4; HRMS (ESI-MS): Calcd. for $C_{20}H_{18}O_2$ (M + Na): 313.1204, Found: 313.1208.

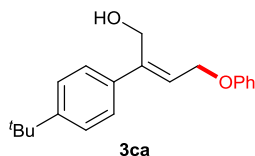


(Z)-4-methoxy-2-phenylbut-2-en-1-ol (3an) was prepared according to the general procedure from **1a** and **2n**. The crude product was purified by flash column chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1) on silica gel to provide the title compound as a colorless oil in 78% yield (27.8 mg). 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.48–7.44 (m, 2H), 7.39–7.27 (m, 3H), 6.05 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.54 (s, 2H), 4.18 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 3.41 (s, 3H), 2.22 (brs, 1H); ^{13}C NMR

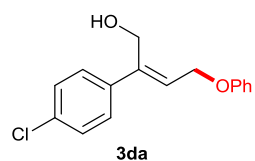
(100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 144.0, 140.4, 128.5, 127.7, 127.0, 126.3, 68.6, 60.5, 58.3; HRMS (ESI-MS): Calcd. for C₁₁H₁₄O₂ (M + Na): 201.0891, Found: 201.0898.



(Z)-4-phenoxy-2-(p-tolyl)but-2-en-1-ol (3ba)² was prepared according to the general procedure from **1b** and **2a**. The crude product was purified by flash column chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1) on silica gel to provide the title compound as a colorless oil in 90% yield (45.7 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.38–7.35 (m, 2H), 7.32–7.27 (m, 2H), 7.17–7.15 (m, 2H), 6.99–6.93 (m, 3H), 6.12 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.78 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 4.59 (s, 2H), 2.34 (s, 3H), 1.83 (brs, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.4, 143.0, 137.7, 136.9, 129.5, 129.3, 126.3, 125.3, 121.1, 114.8, 64.4, 60.3, 21.1; HRMS (ESI-MS): Calcd. for C₁₇H₁₈O₂ (M + Na): 277.1204, Found: 277.1208.

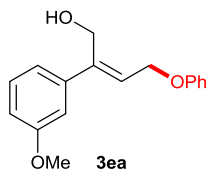


(Z)-2-(4-(tert-butyl)phenyl)-4-phenoxybut-2-en-1-ol (3ca) was prepared according to the general procedure from **1c** and **2a**. The crude product was purified by flash column chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1) on silica gel to provide the title compound as a white solid in 92% yield (54.5 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.43–7.35 (m, 4H), 7.31–7.27 (m, 2H), 6.98–6.94 (m, 3H), 6.14 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.79 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 4.61 (s, 2H), 1.87 (brs, 1H), 1.32 (s, 9); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.3, 151.0, 142.9, 136.8, 129.5, 126.1, 125.5, 125.4, 121.1, 114.8, 64.4, 60.2, 34.5, 31.3; HRMS (ESI-MS): Calcd. for C₂₀H₂₄O₂ (M + Na): 319.1674, Found: 319.1668.

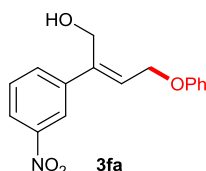


(Z)-2-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-phenoxybut-2-en-1-ol (3da) was prepared according to the general procedure from **1d** and **2a**. The crude product was purified by flash column chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1) on silica gel to provide the title compound as a colorless oil in 82% yield (45.0 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.42–7.39 (m, 2H), 7.33–7.27 (m, 4H), 6.97–6.92 (m, 3H), 6.14 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.78 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 4.57 (s, 2H), 2.03 (brs, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.2, 142.1, 138.4, 133.7, 129.6, 128.7, 127.8, 126.6,

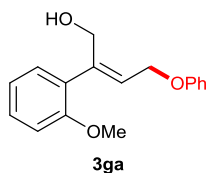
121.3, 114.7, 64.3, 60.2; HRMS (ESI-MS): Calcd. for C₁₆H₁₅ClO₂ (M + Na): 297.0658, Found: 297.0664.



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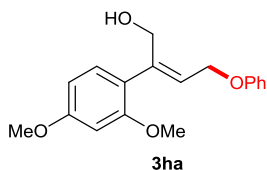


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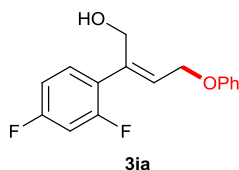


(Z)-2-(2-methoxyphenyl)-4-phenoxybut-2-en-1-ol (3ga) was prepared according to the general procedure from **1g** and **2a**. The crude product was purified by flash column chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1) on silica gel to provide the title compound as a yellow solid in 85% yield (46.0 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.31–7.20 (m, 4H), 6.98–6.88 (m, 5H), 5.94 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.84 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 4.41 (s, 2H), 3.41 (s, 3H), 2.53 (brs, 1H);

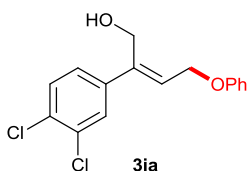
^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 158.5, 156.3, 142.5, 130.8, 130.3, 129.4, 129.1, 129.0, 121.2, 120.8, 114.8, 110.5, 64.4, 61.4, 55.7; HRMS (ESI-MS): Calcd. for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}_3$ ($\text{M} + \text{Na}$): 293.1154, Found: 293.1161.



(Z)-2-(2,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-4-phenoxybut-2-en-1-ol (3ha) was prepared according to the general procedure from **1h** and **2a**. The crude product was purified by flash column chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1) on silica gel to provide the title compound as a white solid in 92% yield (55.2 mg). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.34–7.28 (m, 2H), 7.17–7.16 (m, 1H), 7.01–6.99 (m, 3H), 6.53–6.49 (m, 2H), 5.93 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.85 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 4.43 (d, J = 5.8 Hz, 2H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 2.44 (brt, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 160.7, 158.5, 157.3, 142.2, 130.8, 129.44, 128.3, 123.6, 120.8, 114.8, 104.6, 98.6, 64.4, 61.5, 55.6, 55.4; HRMS (ESI-MS): Calcd. for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}_4$ ($\text{M} + \text{Na}$): 323.1259, Found: 323.1265.

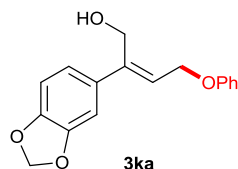


(Z)-2-(2,4-difluorophenyl)-4-phenoxybut-2-en-1-ol (3ia) was prepared according to the general procedure from **1i** and **2a**. The crude product was purified by flash column chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1) on silica gel to provide the title compound as a yellow solid in 87% yield (48.0 mg). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.33–7.27 (m, 3H), 6.99–6.93 (m, 3H), 6.87–6.78 (m, 2H), 6.01 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.80 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 4.51 (s, 2H), 2.11 (brs, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 163.7, 163.6, 161.3, 161.3, 161.1, 158.7, 158.6, 158.3, 138.4, 131.2, 131.1, 129.7, 129.5, 124.7, 124.6, 124.5, 121.2, 114.7, 104.3, 104.0, 103.7, 64.2, 60.9; HRMS (ESI-MS): Calcd. for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{14}\text{F}_2\text{O}_2$ ($\text{M} + \text{Na}$): 299.0860, Found: 299.0866.

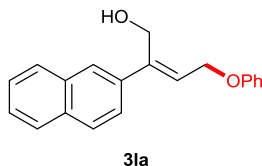


(Z)-2-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-4-phenoxybut-2-en-1-ol (3ja) was prepared according to the general procedure from **1j** and **2a**. The crude product was purified by flash column chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1) on silica gel to provide the title compound as a white solid

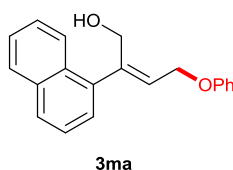
in 91% yield (56.3 mg). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.62 (d, $J = 2.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.44 (d, $J = 2.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.37–7.33 (m, 3H), 7.05–6.96 (m, 3H), 6.21 (t, $J = 6.4$ Hz, 1H), 4.81 (d, $J = 6.4$ Hz, 2H), 4.59 (s, 2H), 1.96 (brs, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 158.1, 141.1, 140.0, 132.6, 131.8, 130.4, 129.6, 128.4, 127.7, 125.8, 121.4, 114.7, 64.2, 60.0; HRMS (ESI-MS): Calcd. for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{14}\text{Cl}_2\text{O}_2$ ($\text{M} + \text{Na}$): 331.0269, Found: 331.0262.



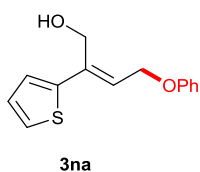
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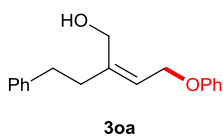
(Z)-2-(naphthalen-2-yl)-4-phenoxybut-2-en-1-ol (3la) was prepared according to the general procedure from **1k** and **2a**. The crude product was purified by flash column chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1) on silica gel to provide the title compound as a yellow solid in 92% yield (53.4 mg). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.93 (d, $J = 1.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.83–7.79 (m, 3H), 7.59 (dd, $J = 1.2$, 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.49–7.43 (m, 2H), 7.33–7.28 (m, 2H), 7.00–6.95 (m, 3H), 6.29 (t, $J = 6.4$ Hz, 1H), 4.82 (d, $J = 6.4$ Hz, 2H), 4.69 (s, 2H), 2.02 (brs, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 158.3, 143.0, 137.1, 133.3, 132.9, 129.6, 128.2, 128.1, 127.5, 126.6, 126.3, 126.1, 125.4, 124.5, 121.2, 114.8, 64.4, 60.3; HRMS (ESI-MS): Calcd. for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}_2$ ($\text{M} + \text{Na}$): 313.1204, Found: 313.1198.



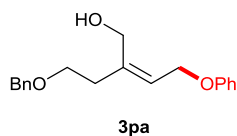
(Z)-2-(naphthalen-1-yl)-4-phenoxybut-2-en-1-ol (3ma) was prepared according to the general procedure from **1m** and **2a**. The crude product was purified by flash column chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1) on silica gel to provide the title compound as a yellow solid in 89% yield (52.7 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.94–7.78 (m, 3H), 7.49–7.41 (m, 3H), 7.35–7.29 (m, 3H), 7.02–6.97 (m, 3H), 5.98 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.91 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 4.59 (s, 2H), 1.90 (brs, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.3, 143.1, 138.8, 133.7, 131.5, 129.5, 128.7, 128.4, 128.0, 126.2, 126.1, 125.9, 125.4, 125.3, 121.2, 114.9, 64.3, 62.4; HRMS (ESI-MS): C₂₀H₁₈O₂ (M + Na): 313.1204, Found: 313.1198.



(E)-4-phenoxy-2-(thiophen-2-yl)but-2-en-1-ol (3na) was prepared according to the general procedure from **1n** and **2a**. The crude product was purified by flash column chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1) on silica gel to provide the title compound as a light-yellow oil in 90% yield (44.3 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.40 (dd, *J* = 1.2, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 7.33–7.27 (m, 4H), 7.02–6.94 (m, 3H), 6.26 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.79 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 4.58 (s, 2H), 1.82 (brs, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.3, 140.9, 137.9, 129.6, 126.0, 125.7, 124.6, 121.5, 121.2, 114.8, 64.2, 60.3; HRMS (ESI-MS): Calcd. for C₁₄H₁₄O₂S (M + Na): 269.0612, Found: 269.0618.



(Z)-2-phenethyl-4-phenoxybut-2-en-1-ol (3oa) was prepared according to the general procedure from **1p** and **2a**. The crude product was purified by flash column chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1) on silica gel to provide the title compound as a colorless oil in 73% yield (39.2 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.30–7.24 (m, 5H), 7.21–7.17 (m, 3H), 6.98–6.88 (m, 2H), 5.69 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.61 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 4.22 (s, 2H), 2.83–2.78 (m, 2H), 2.53–2.48 (m, 2H), 1.56 (brs, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.4, 143.8, 141.6, 129.5, 128.5, 128.4, 126.0, 133.3, 121.0, 114.8, 64.0, 61.0, 37.0, 34.6; HRMS (ESI-MS): Calcd. for C₁₈H₂₀O₂ (M + Na): 291.1361, Found: 291.1368.



(Z)-2-(2-(benzyloxy)ethyl)-4-phenoxybut-2-en-1-ol (3pa) was prepared according to the general procedure from **1q** and **2a**. The crude product was purified by flash column chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3:1) on silica gel to provide the title compound as a colorless oil in 78% yield (46.6 mg). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.37–7.25 (m, 8H), 6.97–6.89 (m, 2H), 5.68 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.60 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 4.19 (s, 2H), 3.64 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 2.50 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 1.63 (brs, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 158.5, 142.2, 137.5, 129.5, 128.5, 128.9, 127.8, 124.5, 120.9, 114.7, 73.3, 70.4, 63.9, 60.8, 36.1; HRMS (ESI-MS): Calcd. for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}_3$ ($\text{M} + \text{Na}$): 307.1310, Found: 307.1316.

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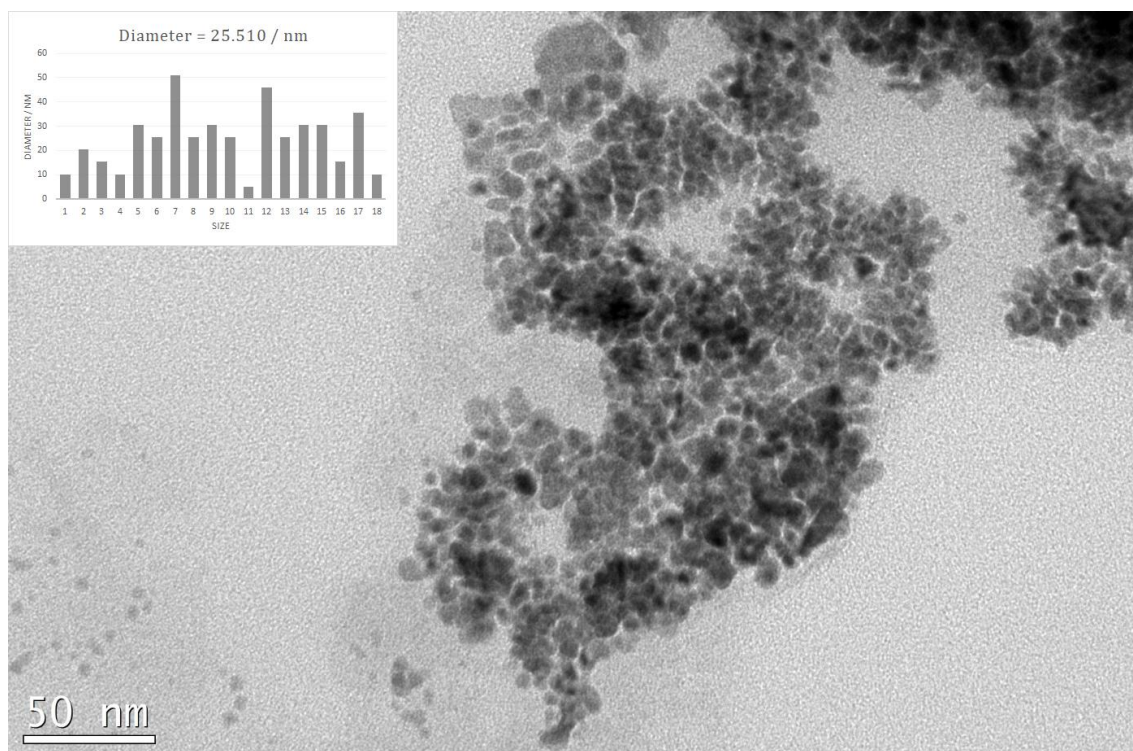


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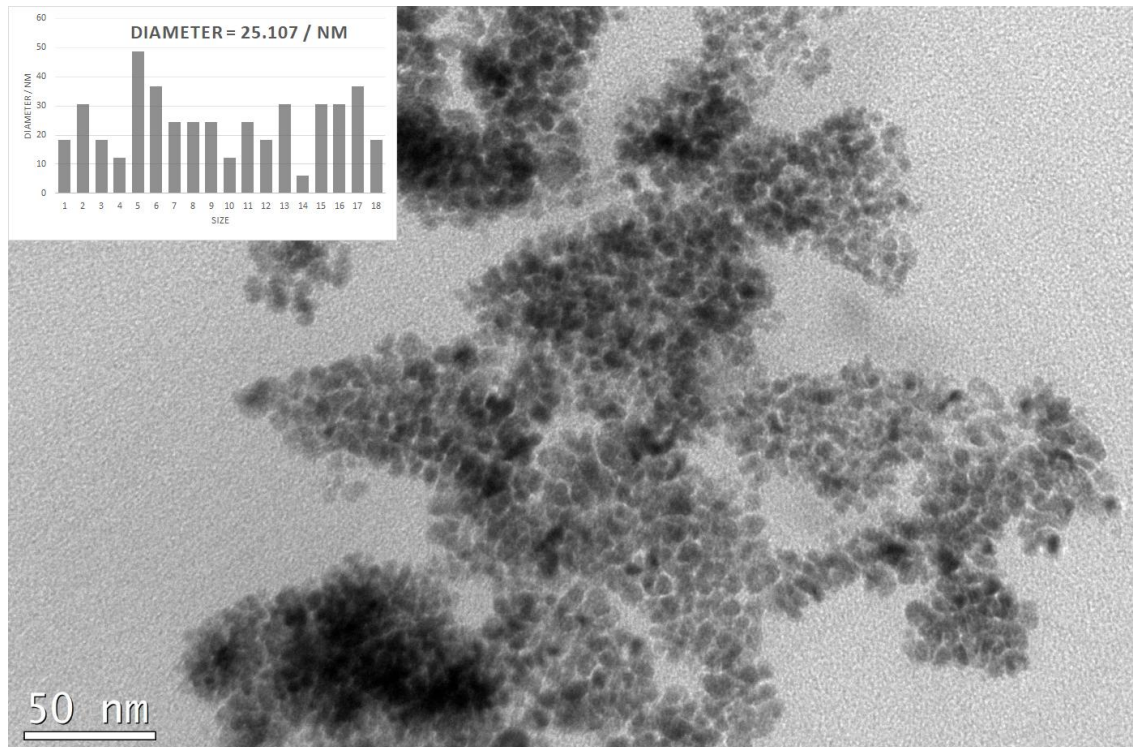


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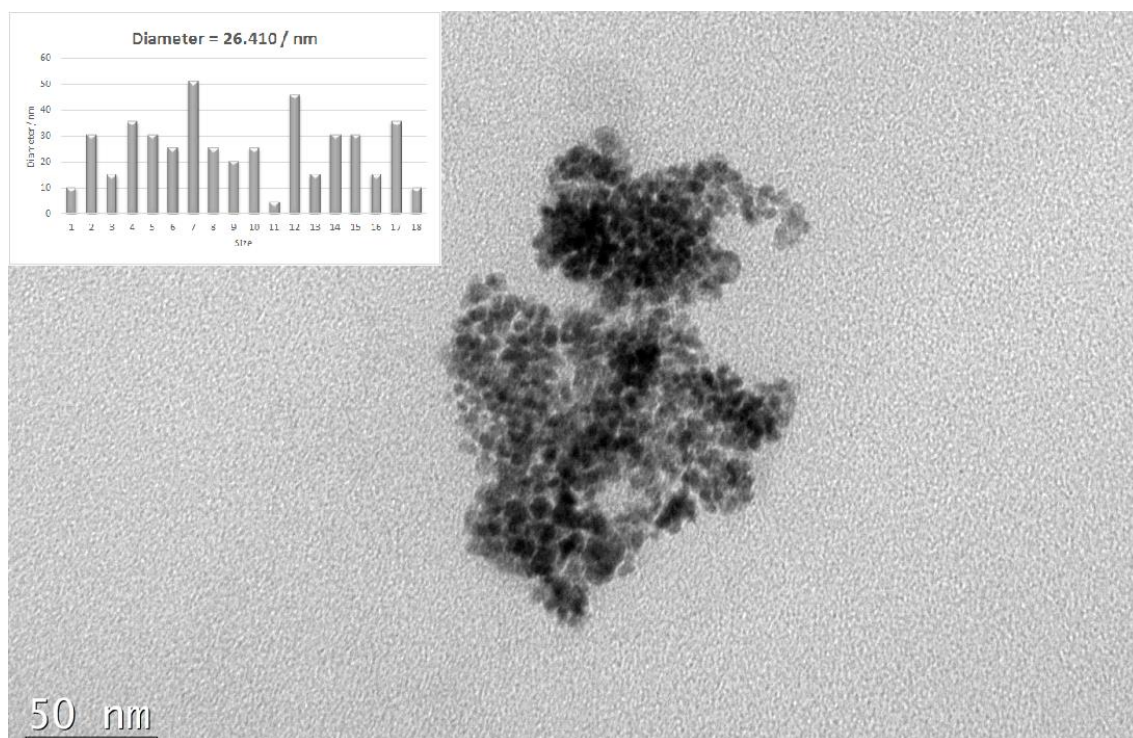


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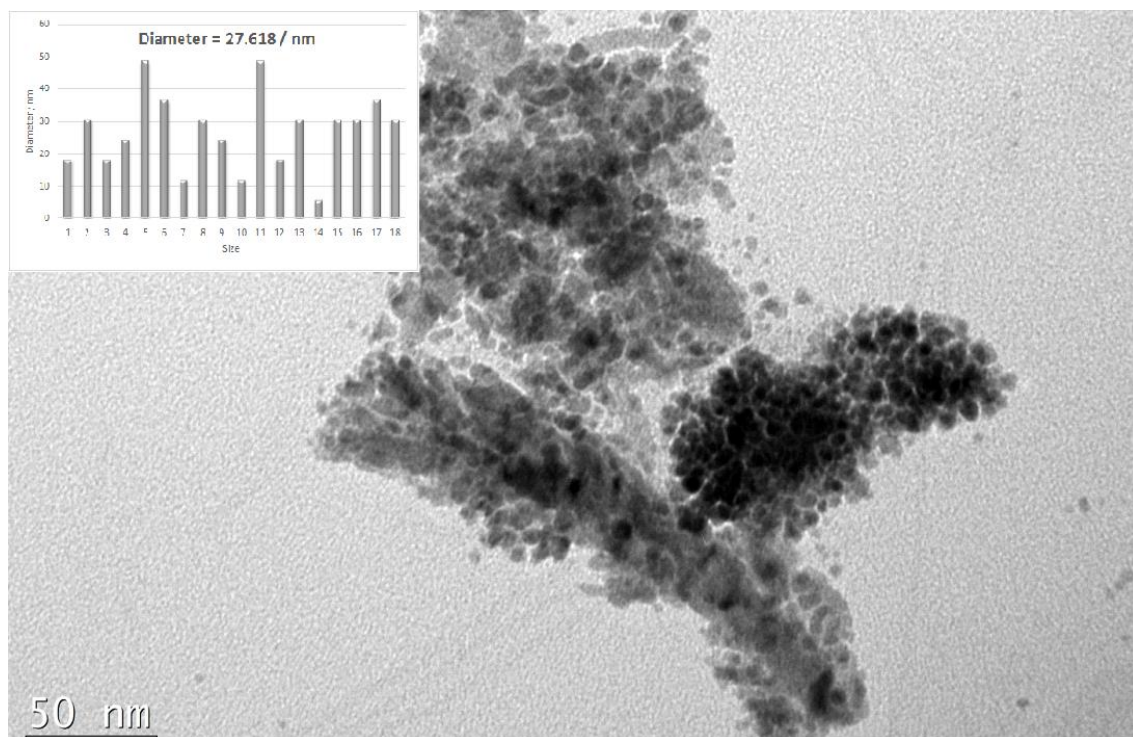


Figure S4. TEM image. A sample taken after fifth cycle of the reaction mixture.

Kinetic Curves for recycling study and hot filtration test experiments.

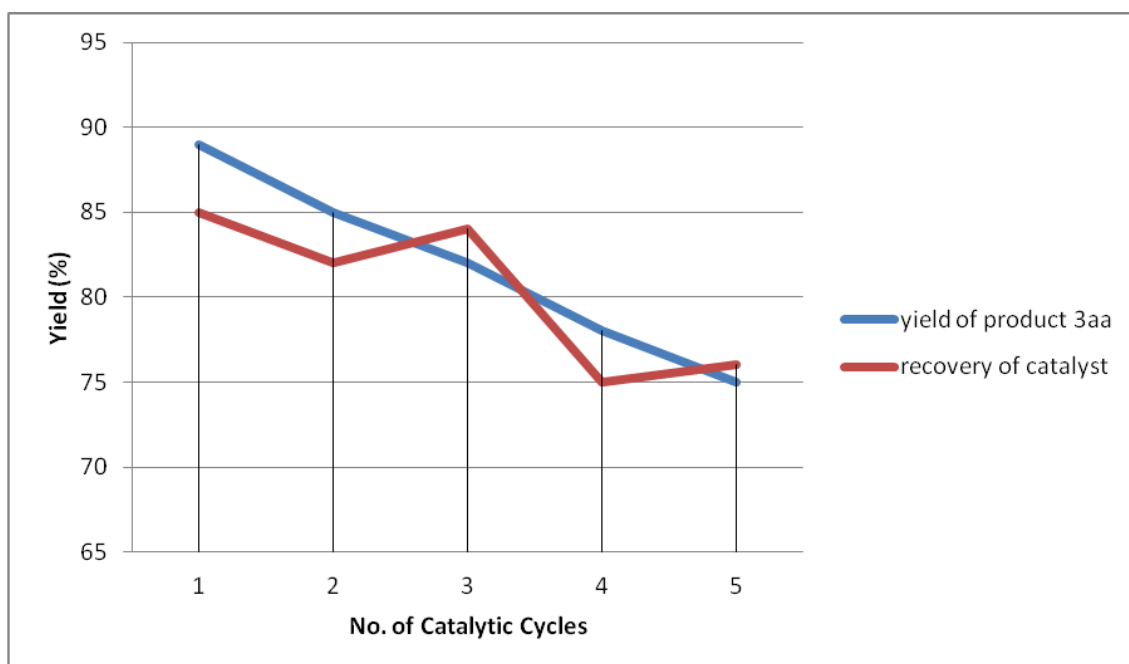


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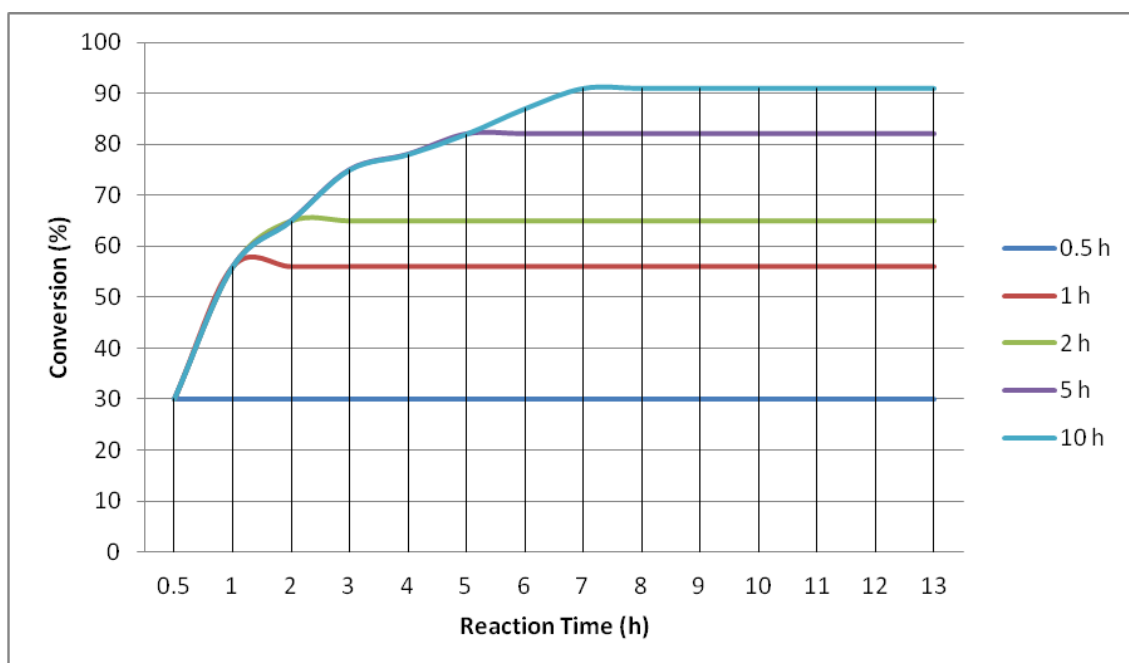
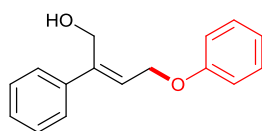
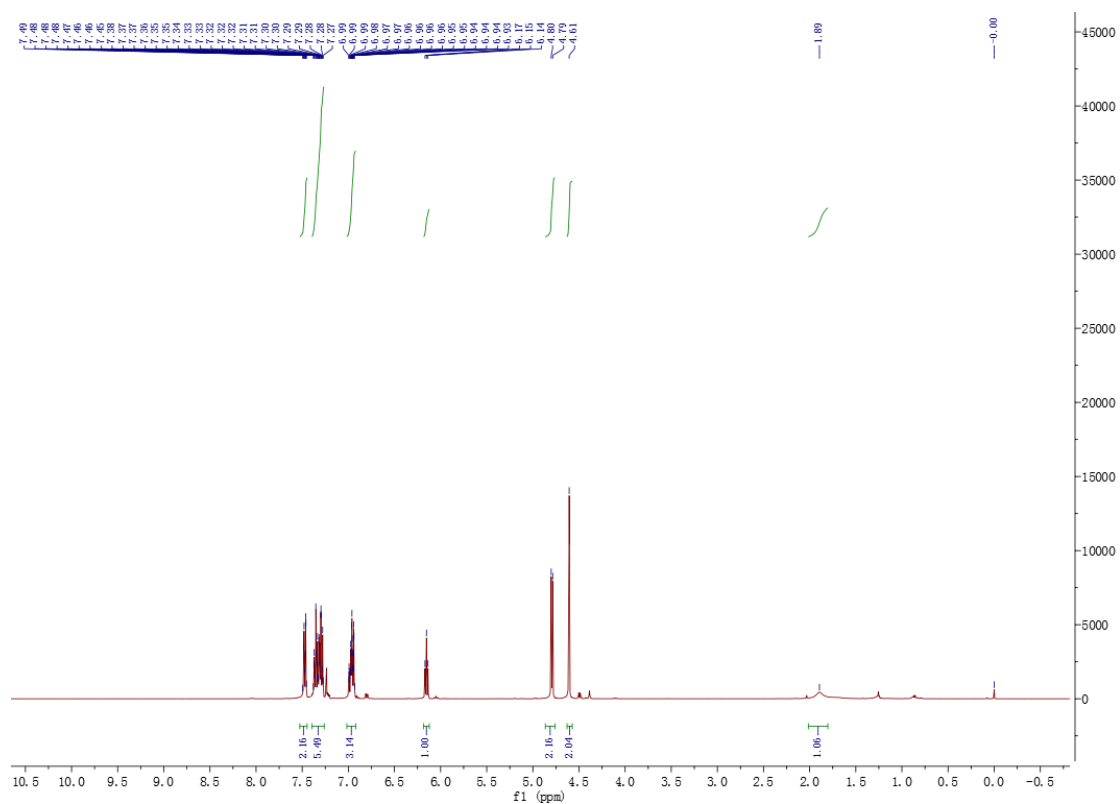
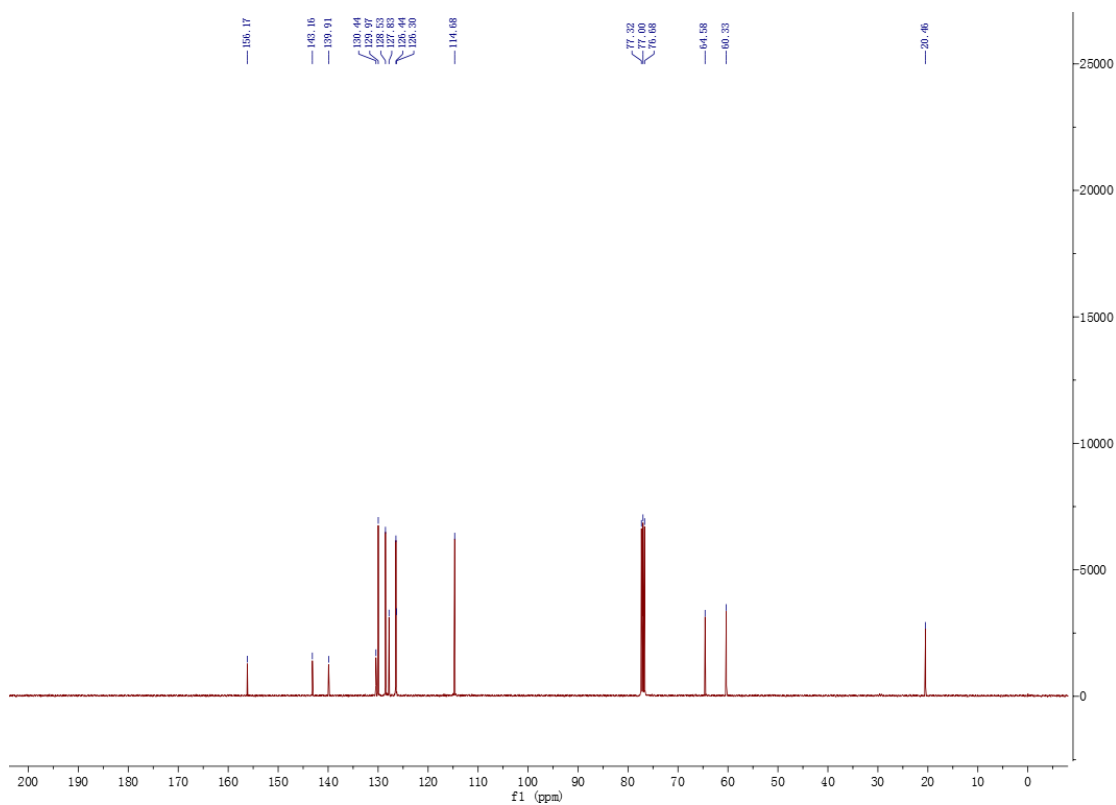
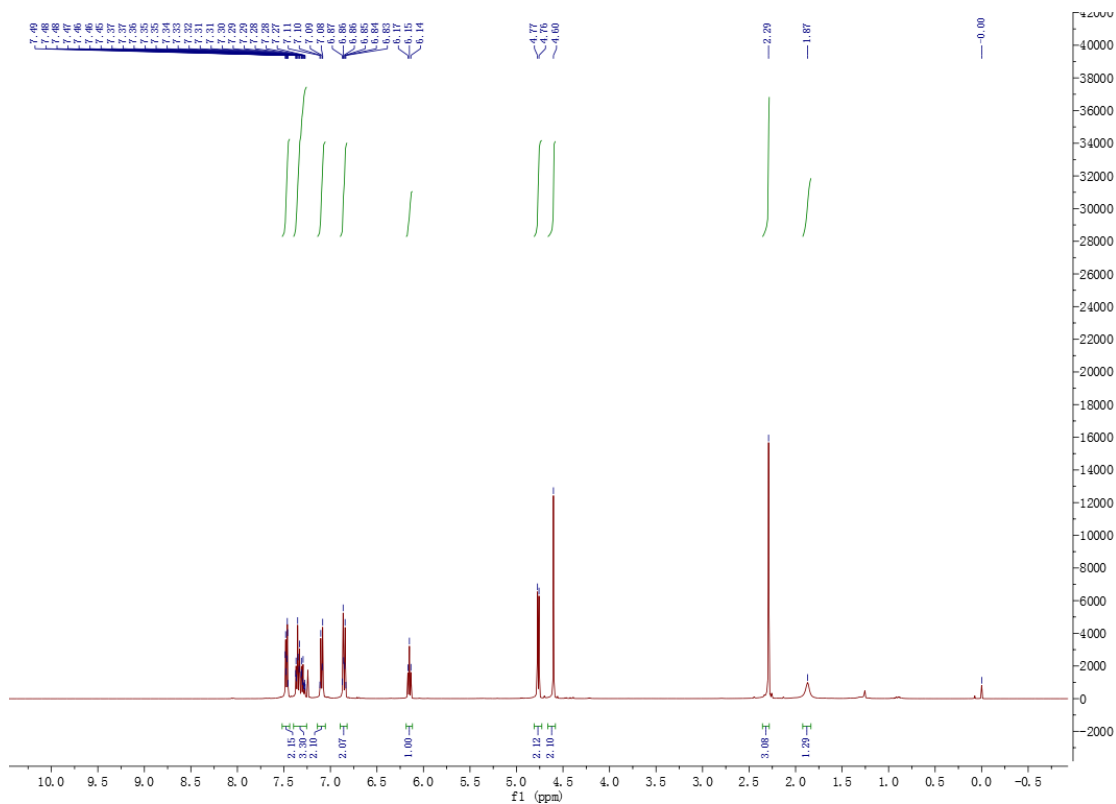
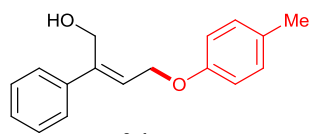


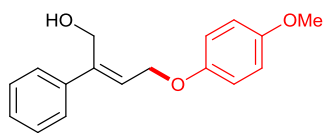
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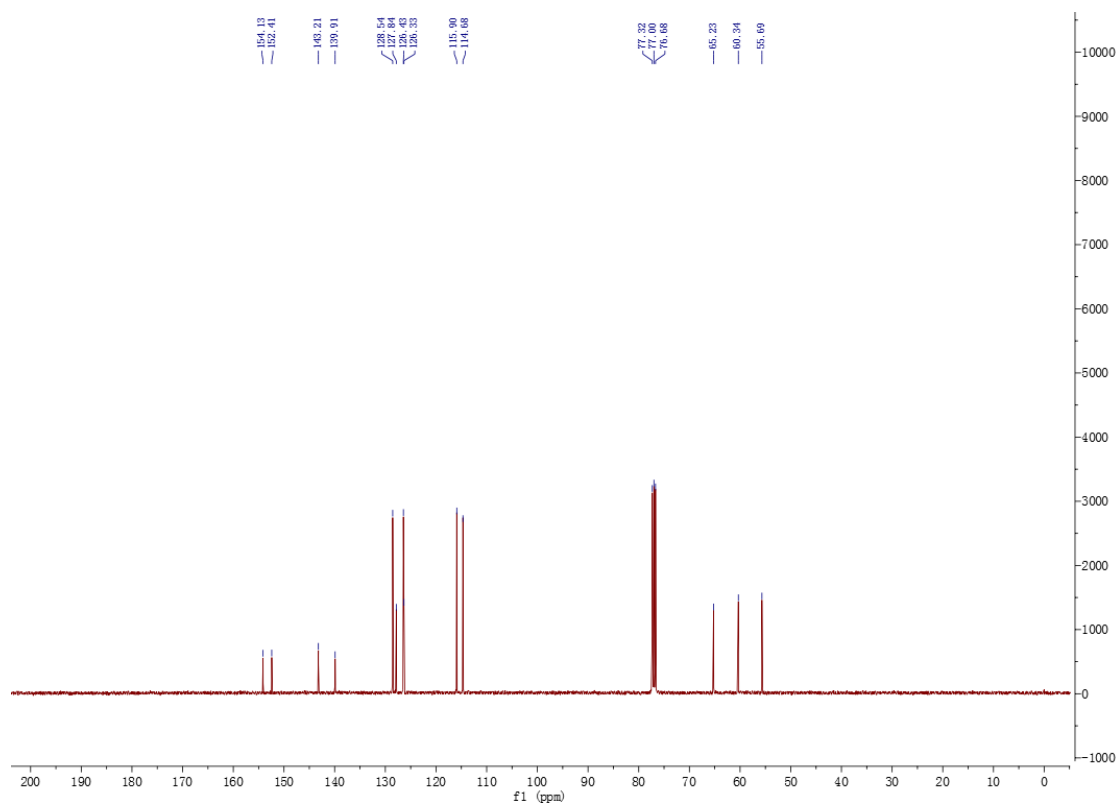
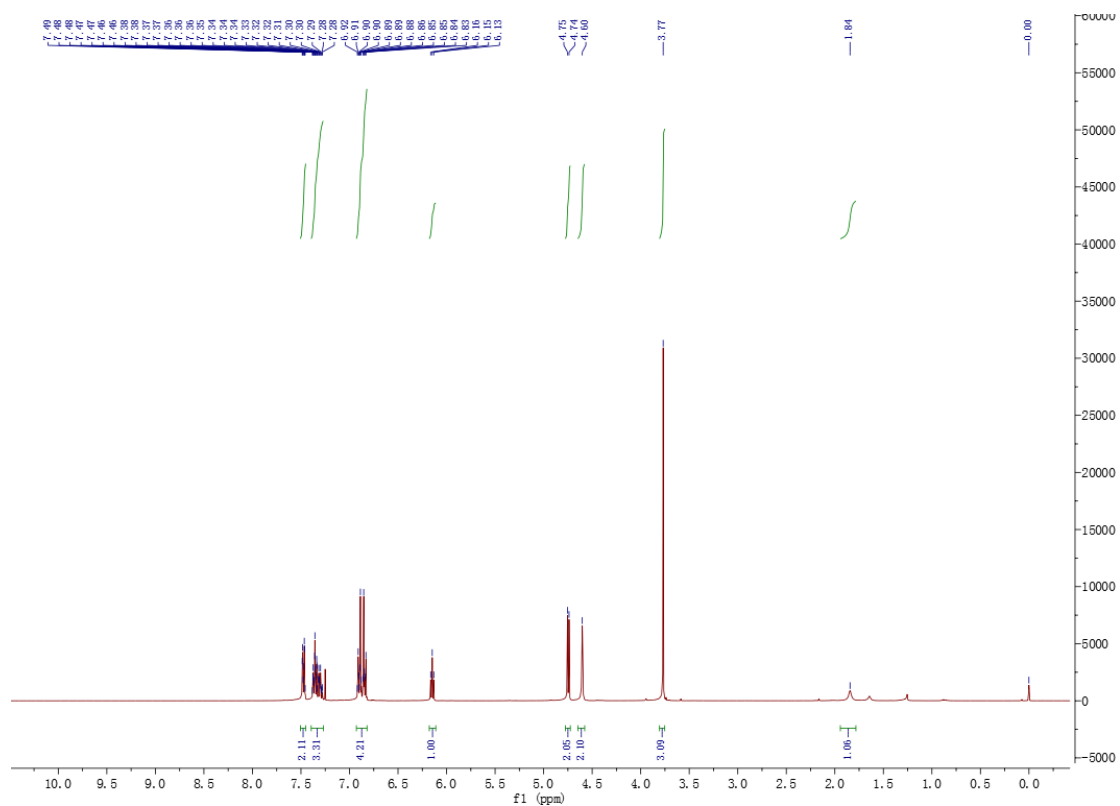
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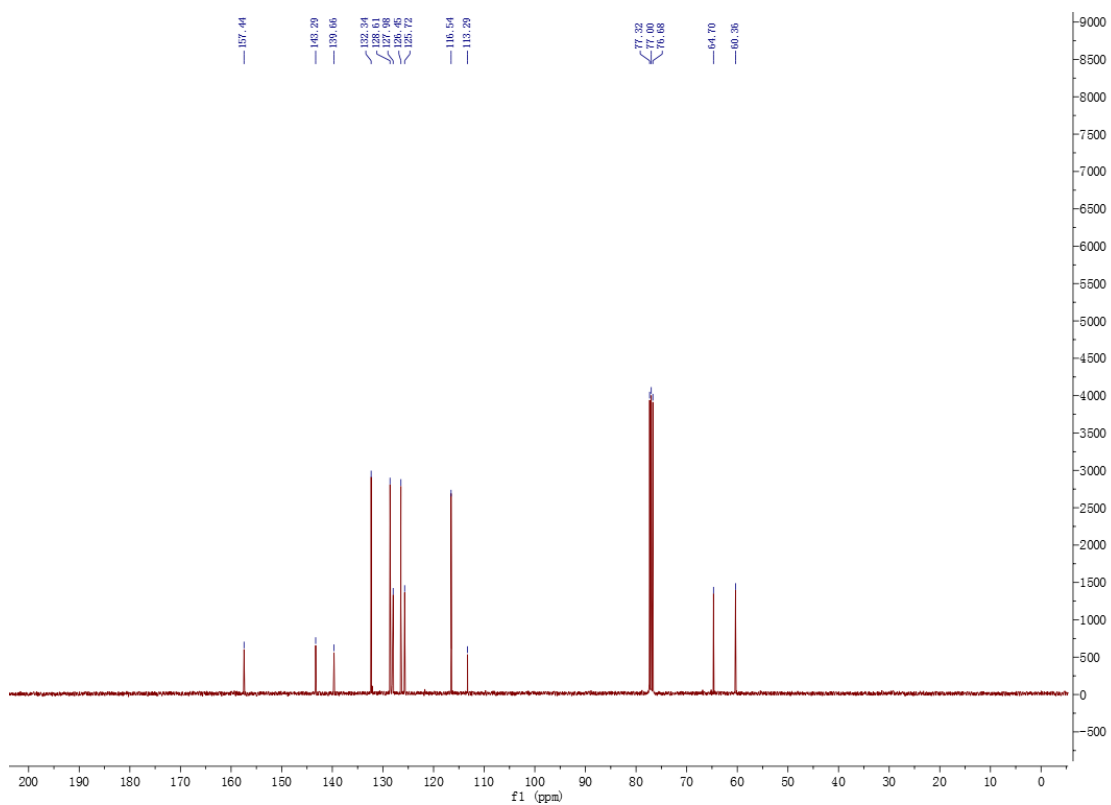




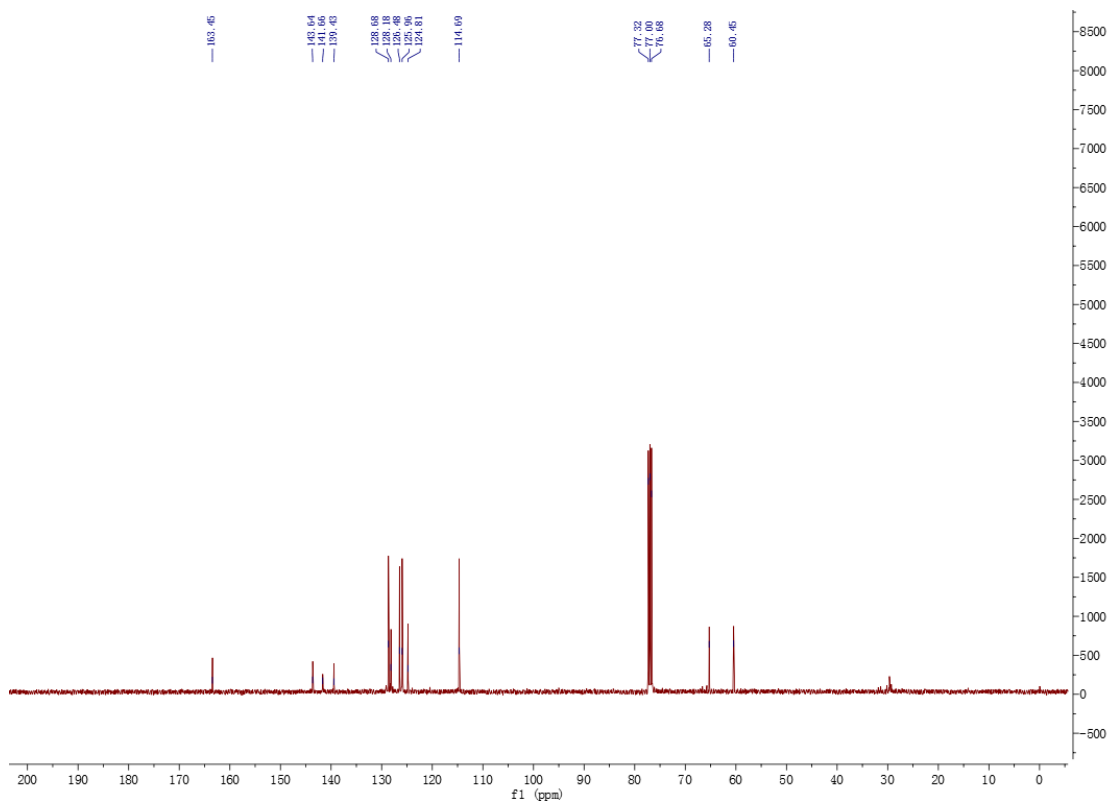


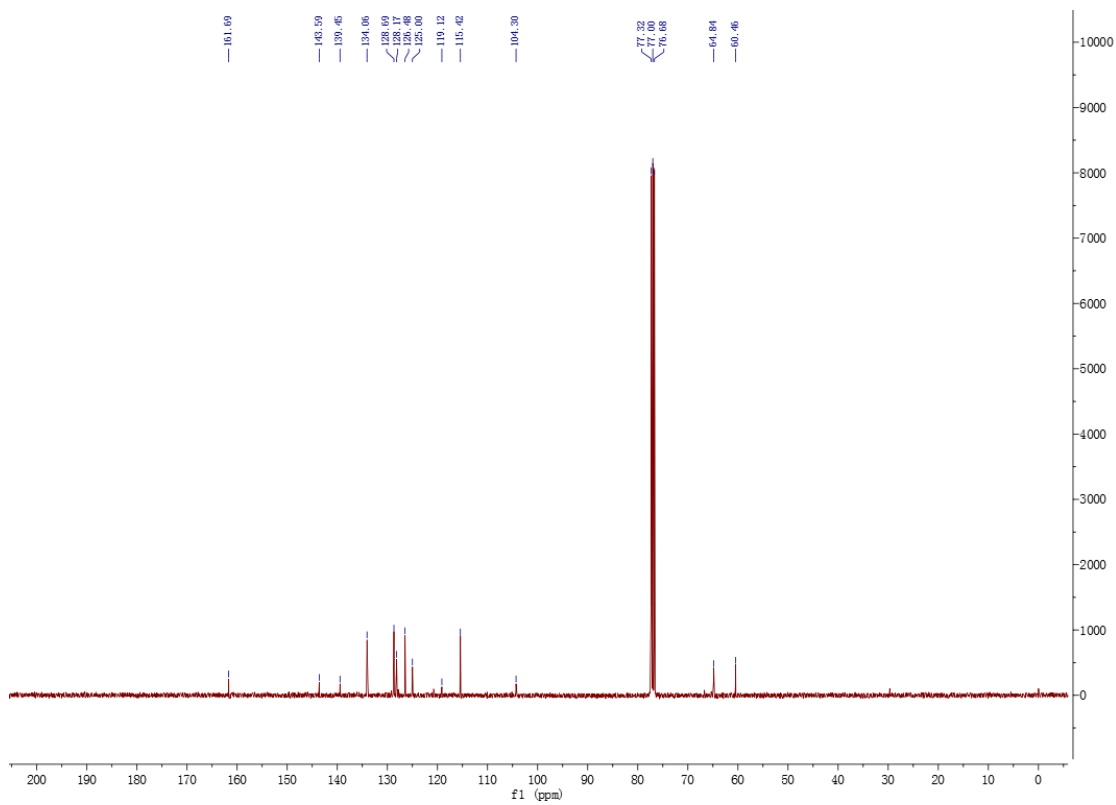
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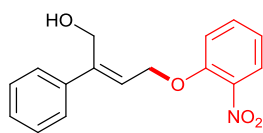




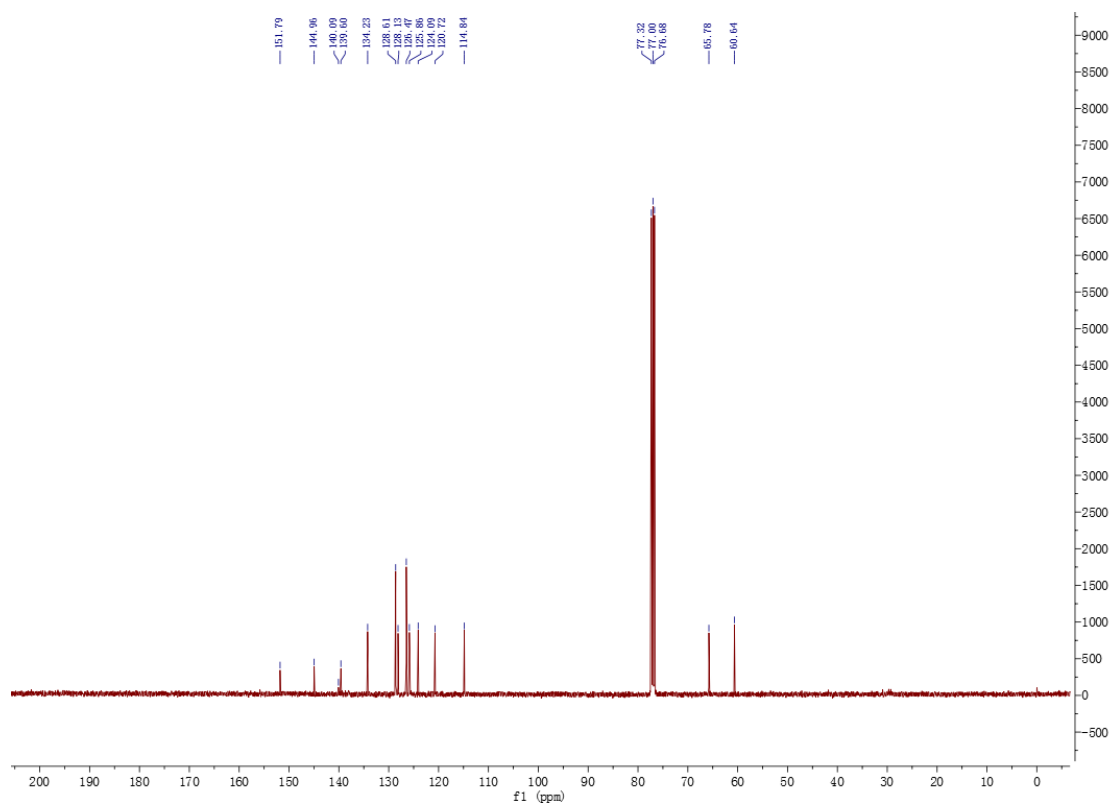
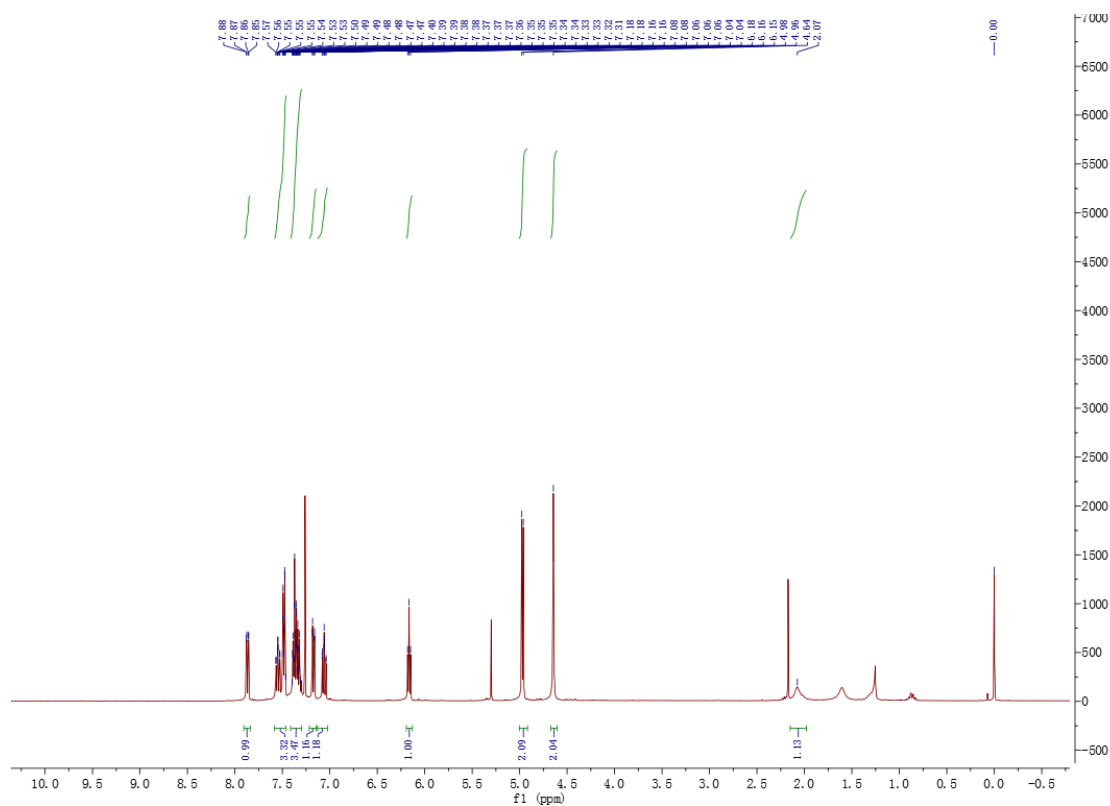
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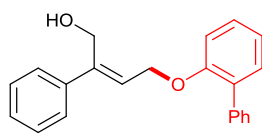




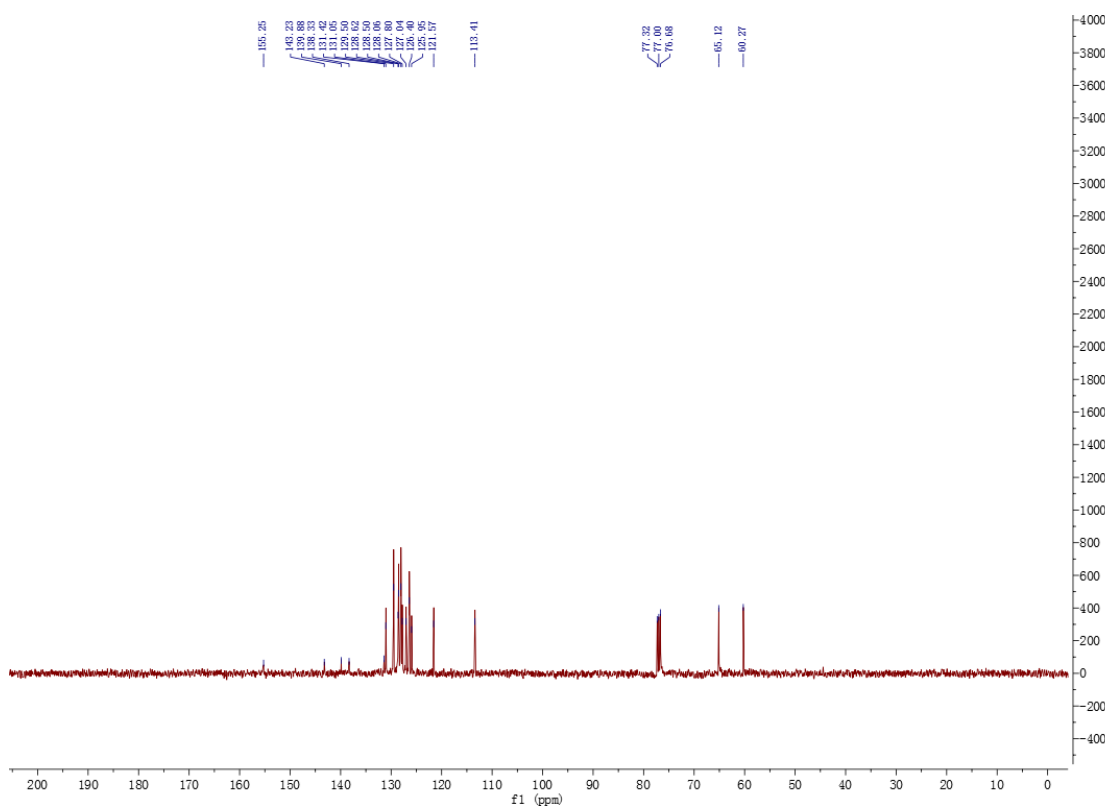
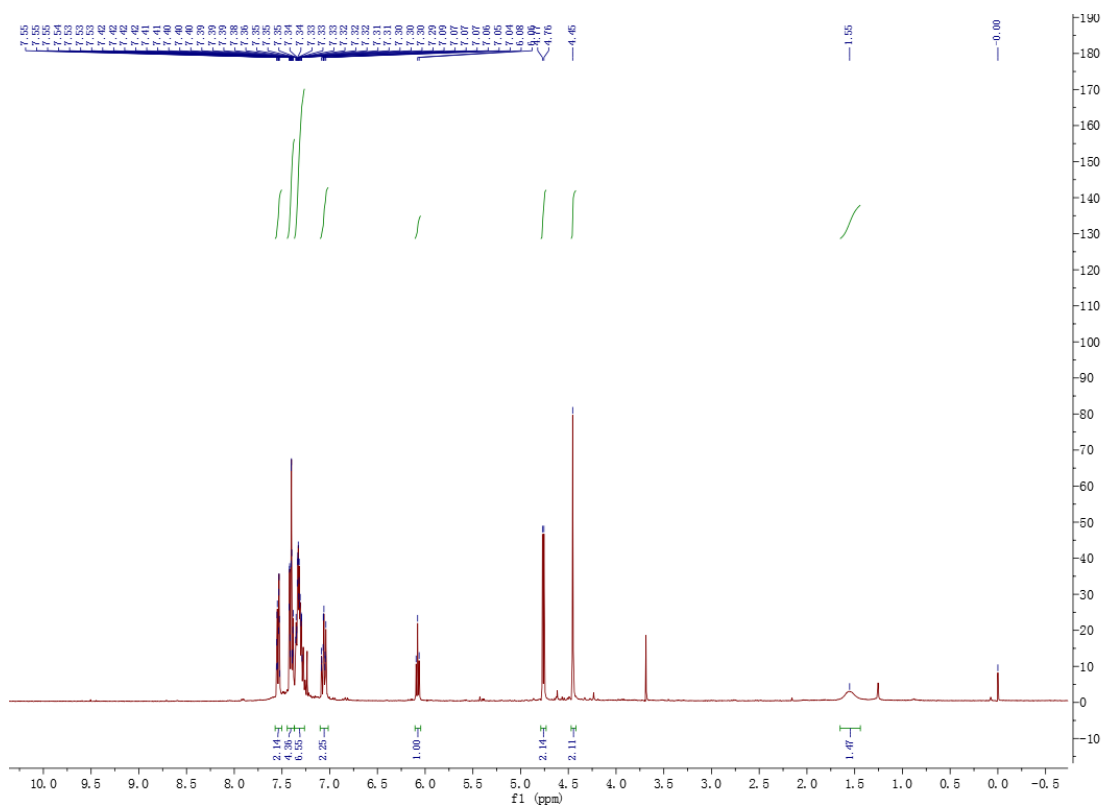


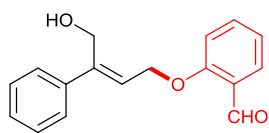
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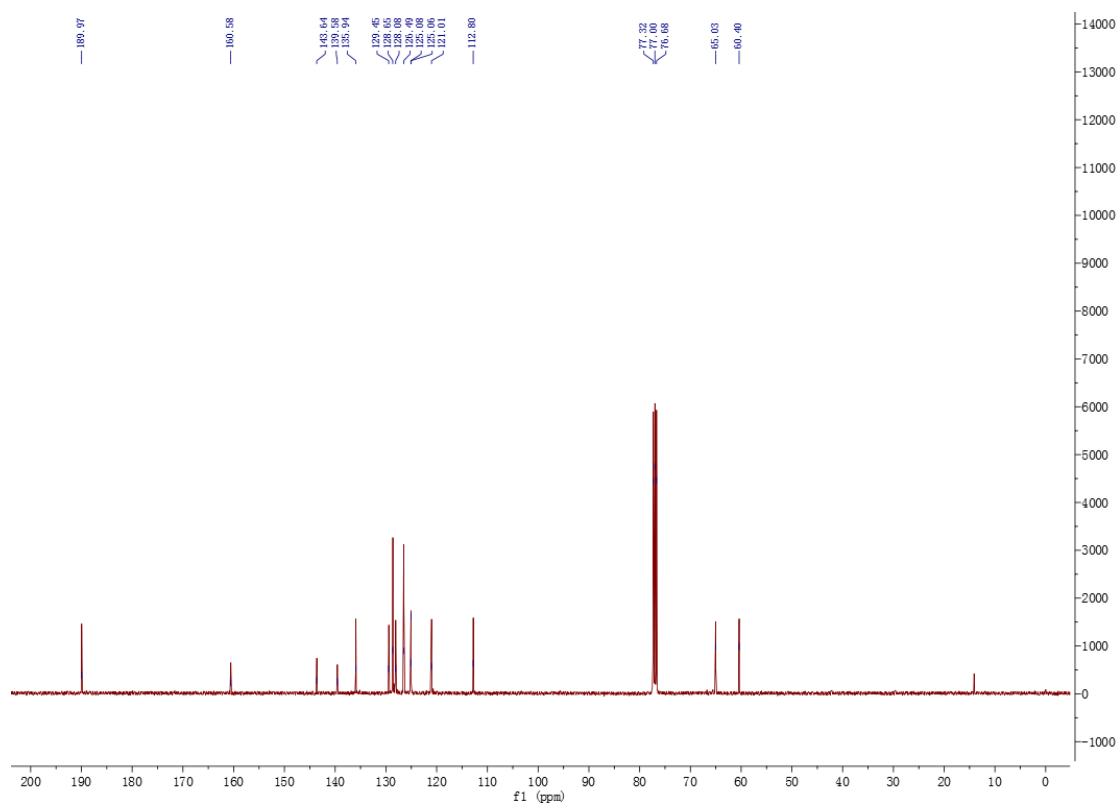
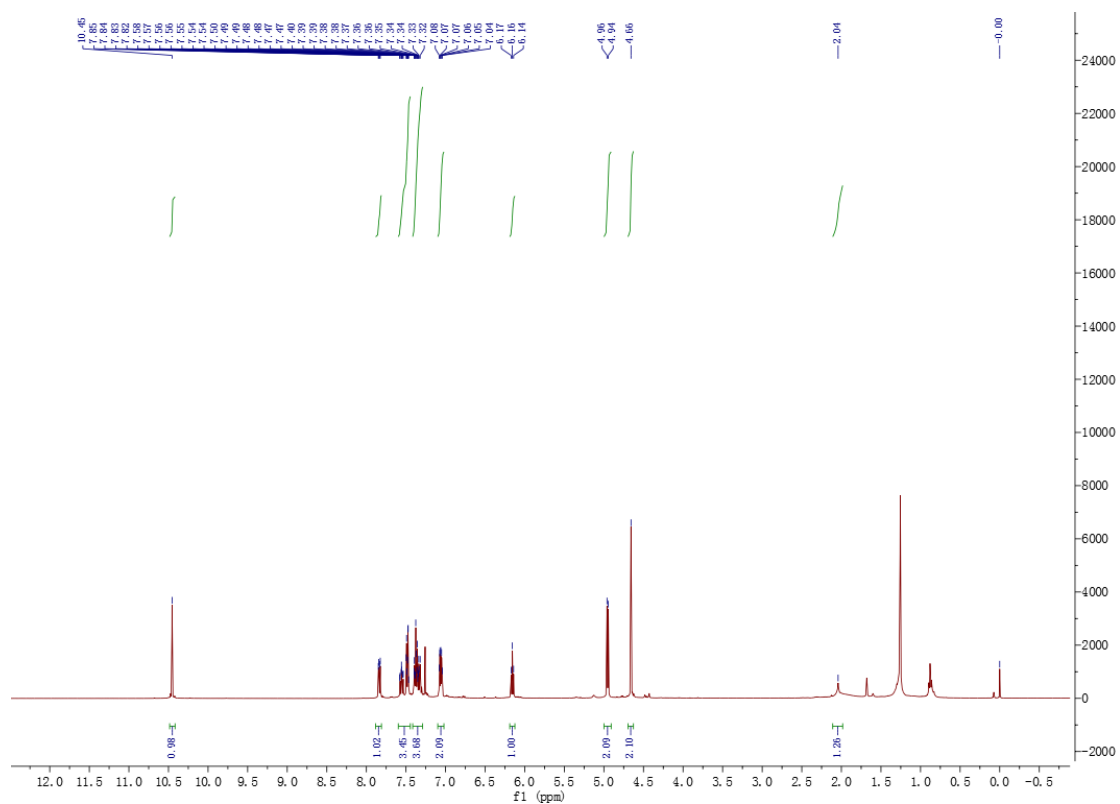


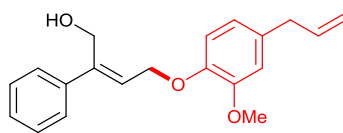
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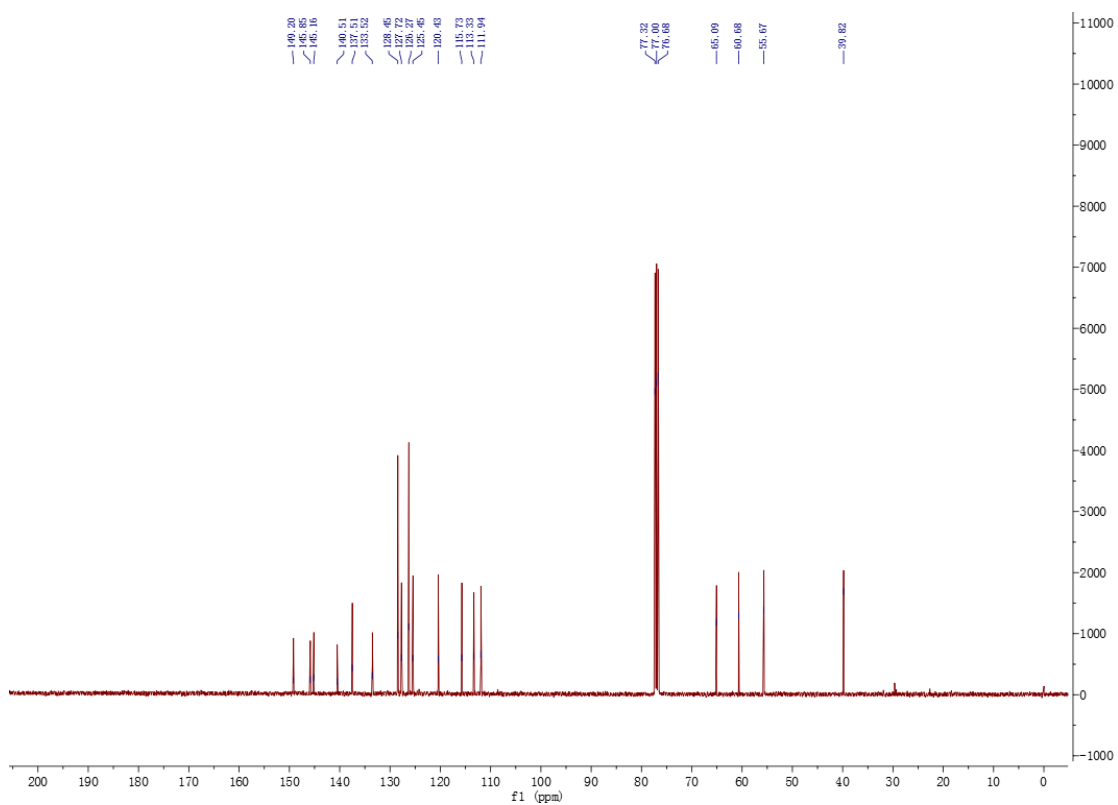
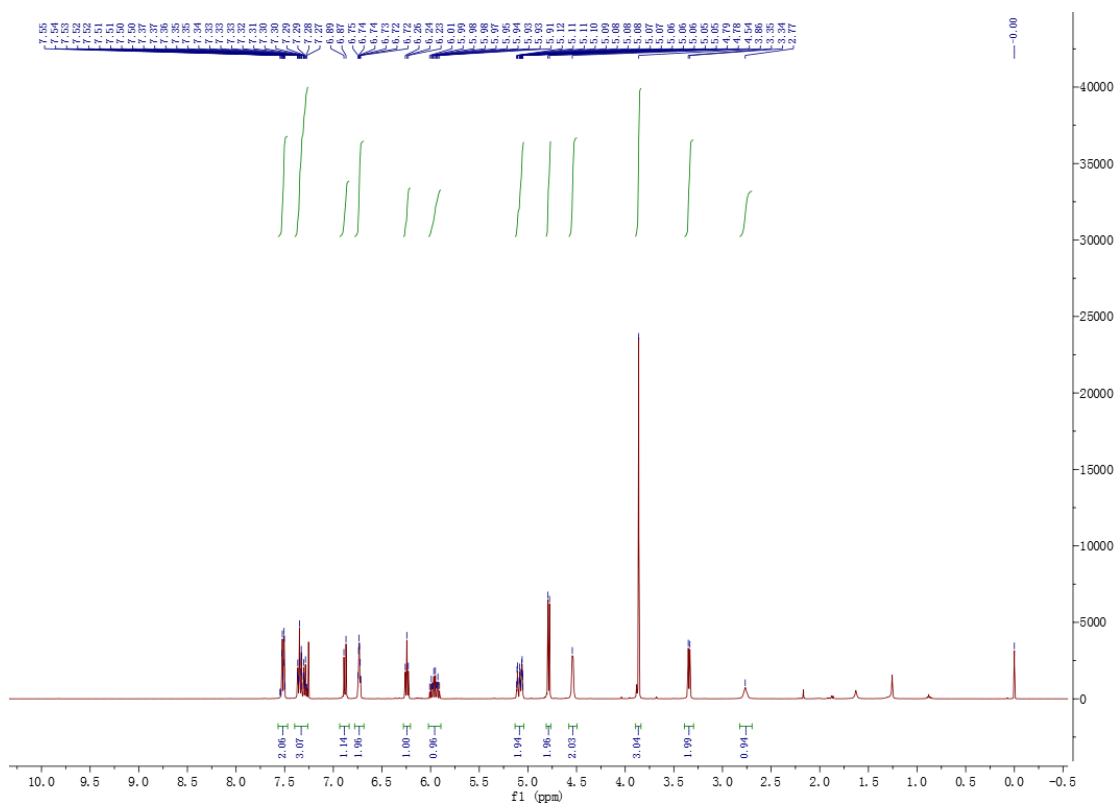


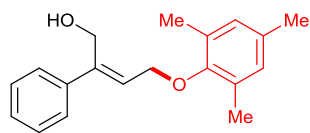
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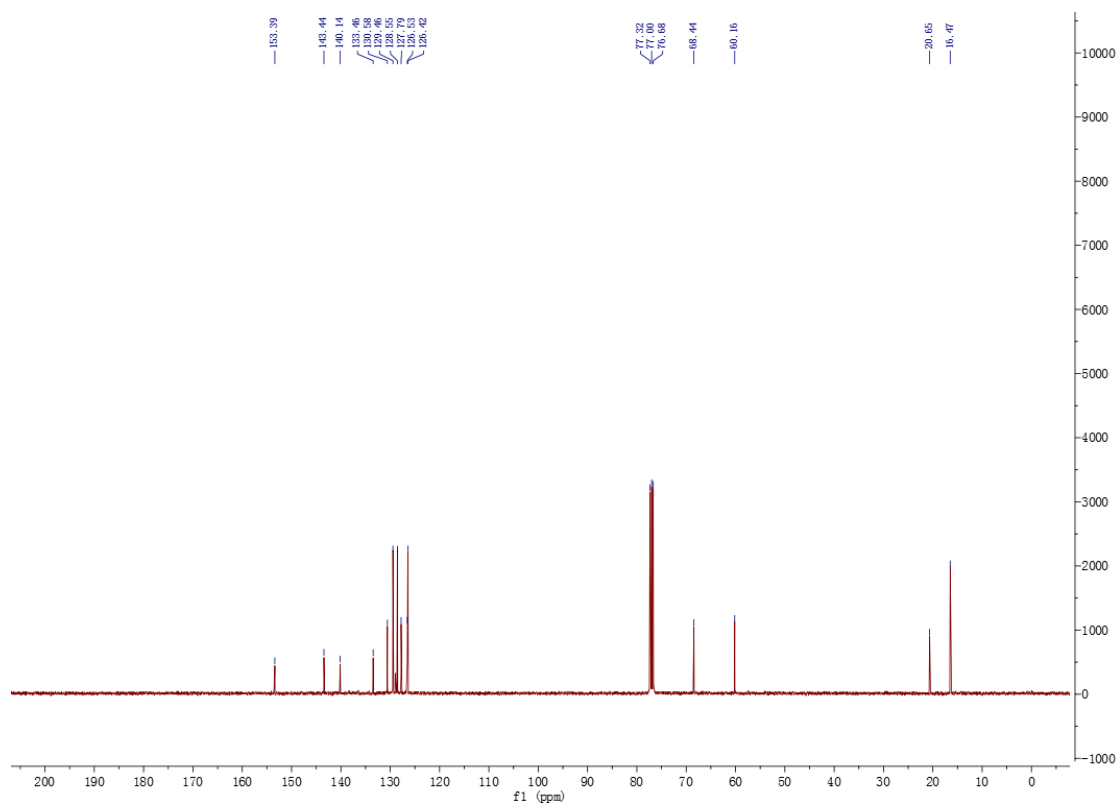
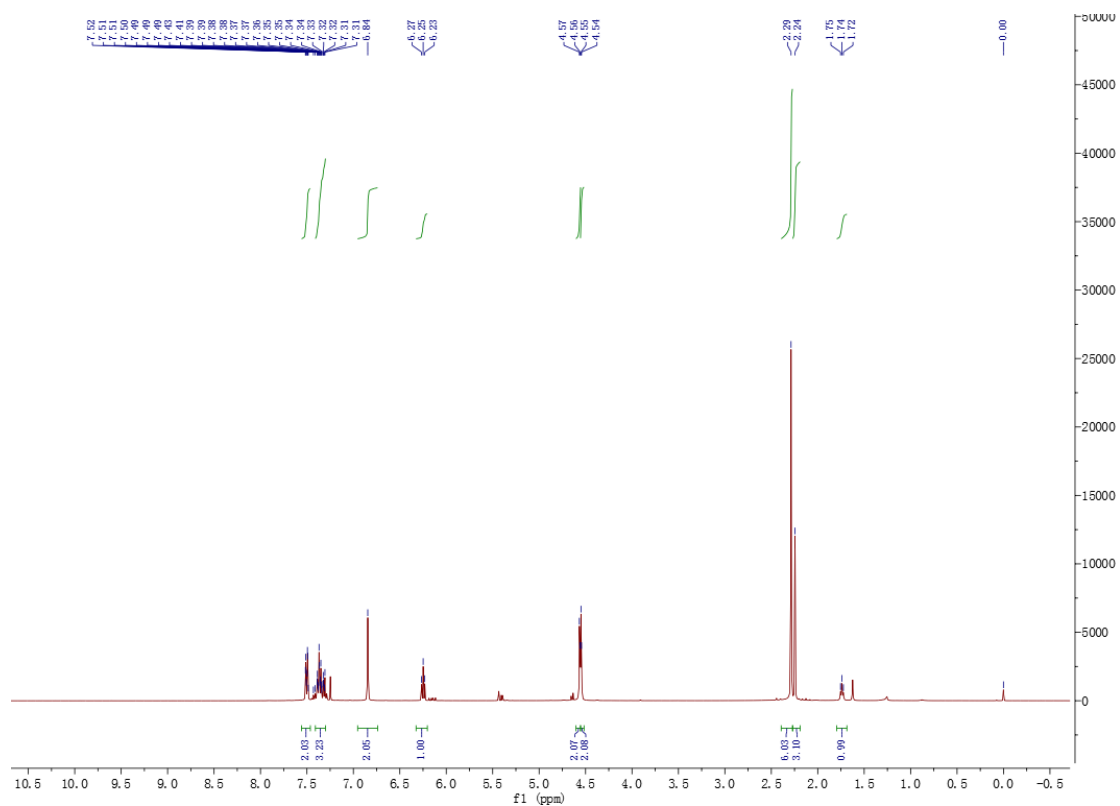


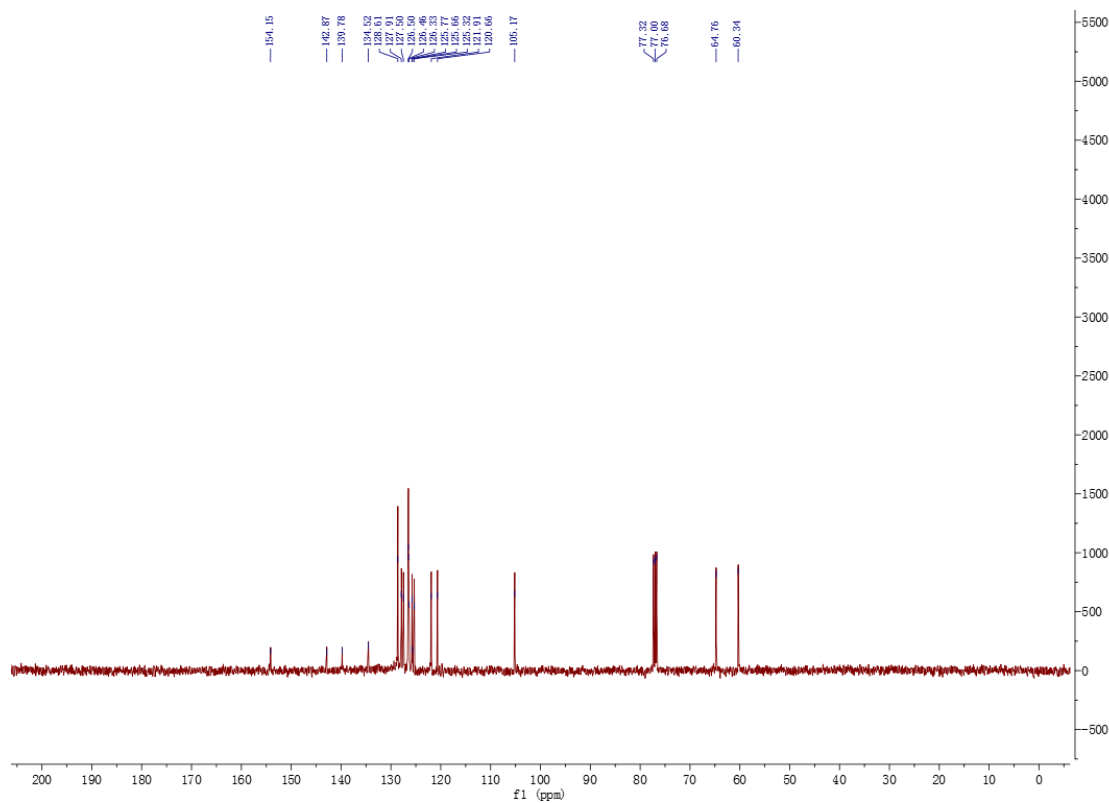
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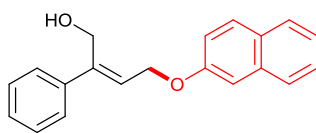


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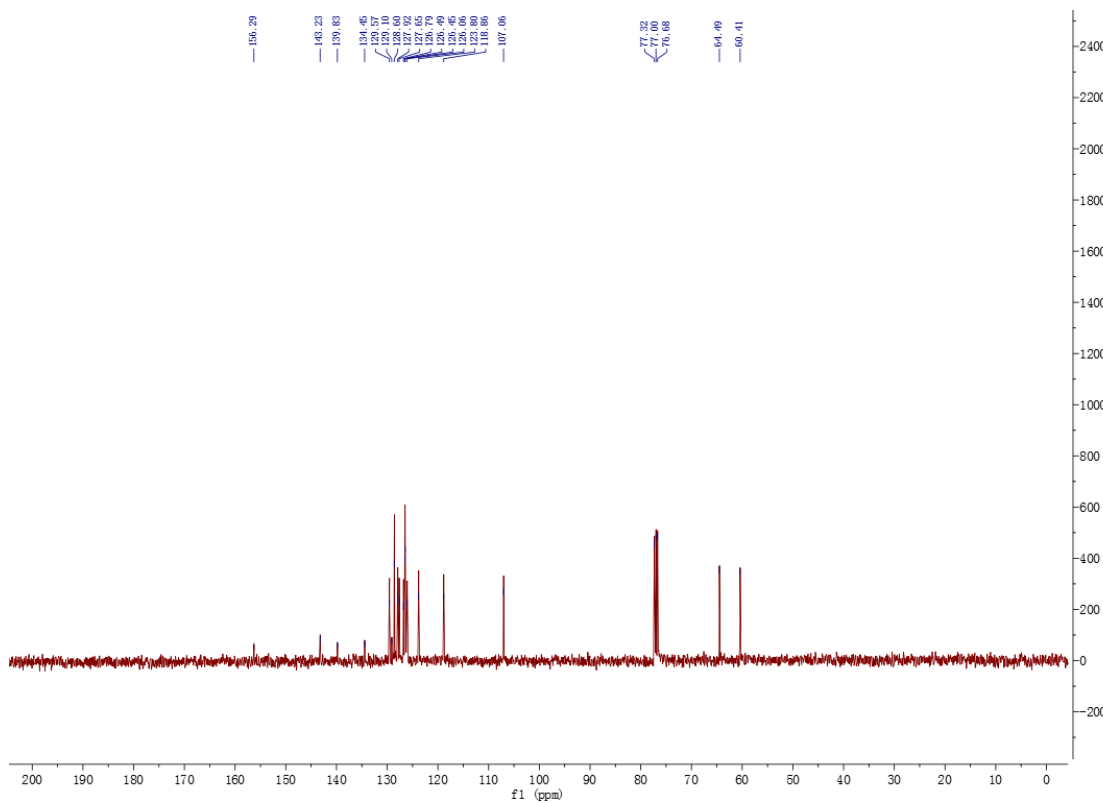
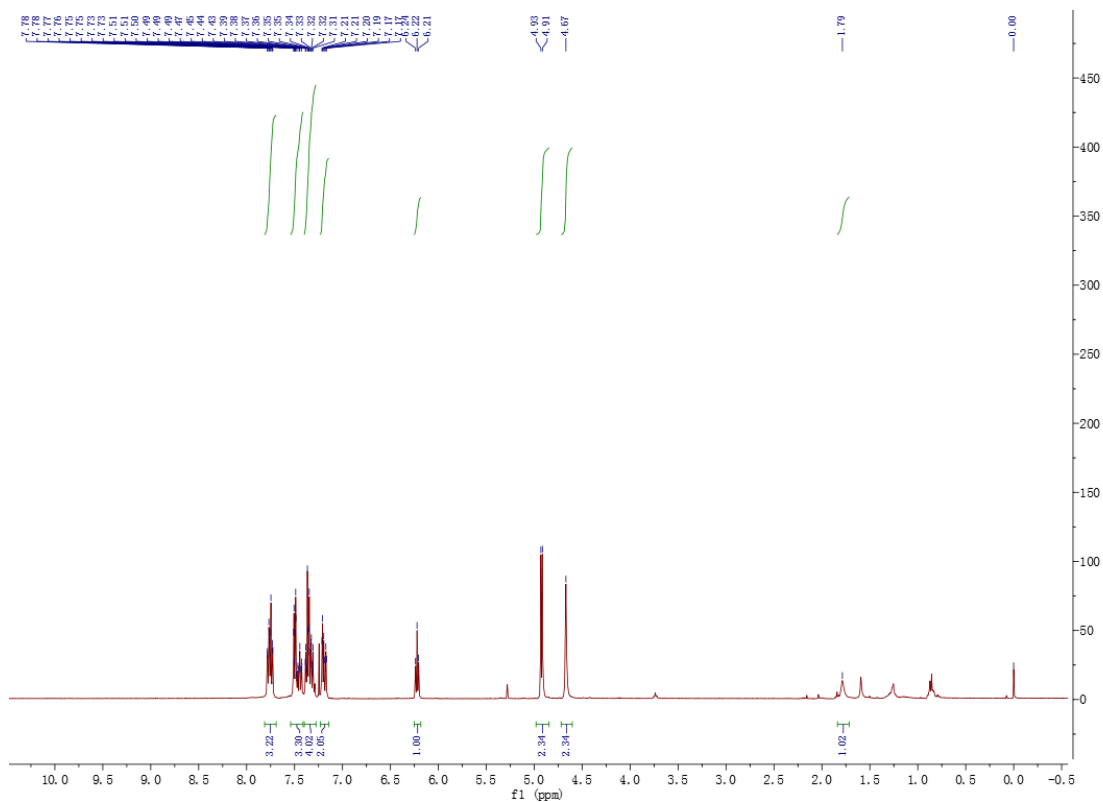


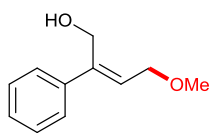


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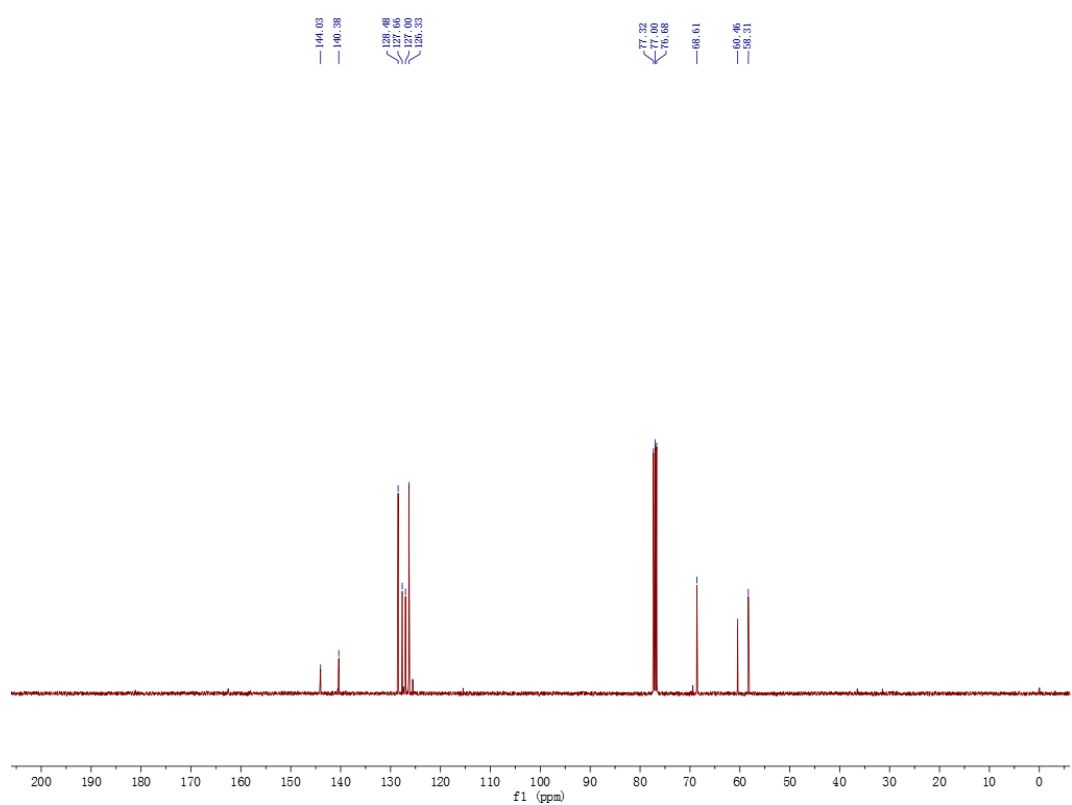
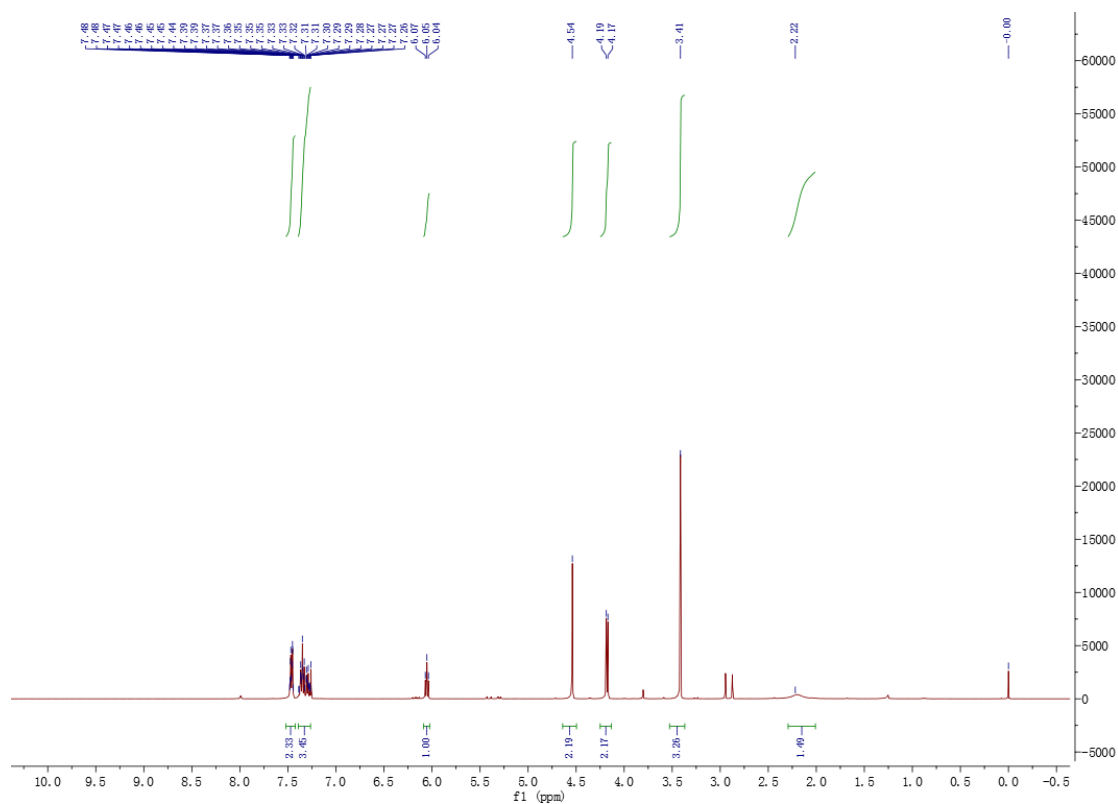


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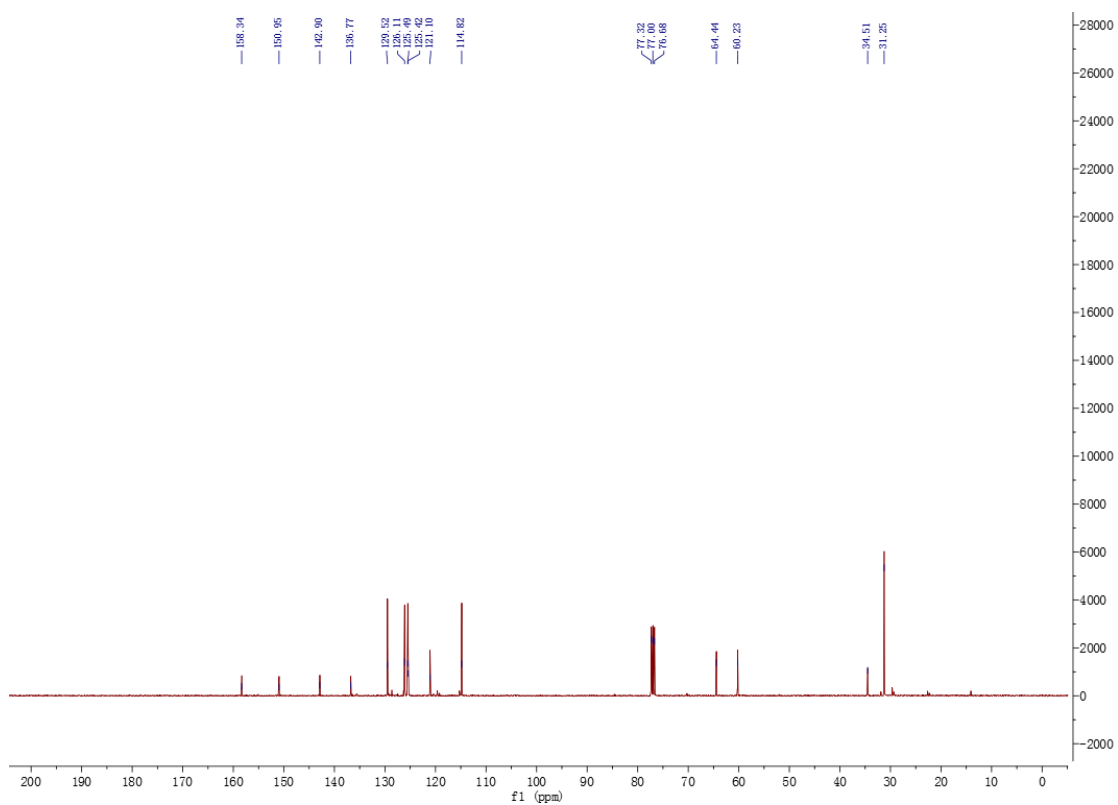
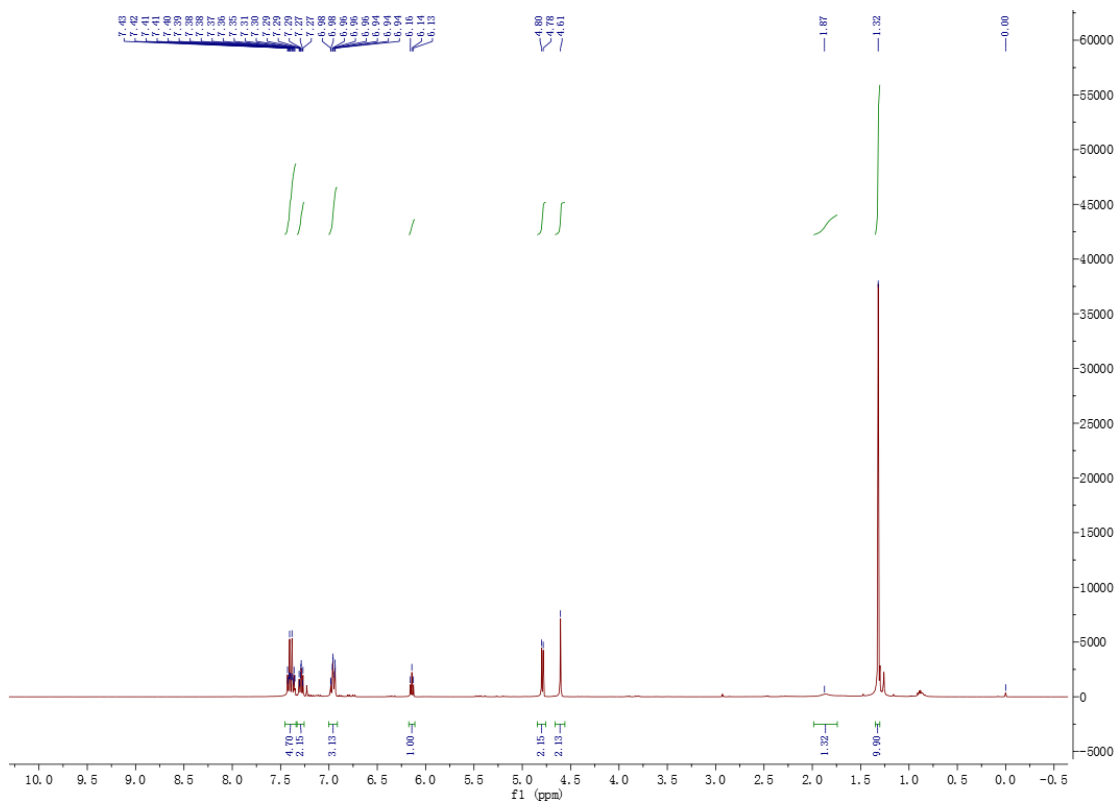
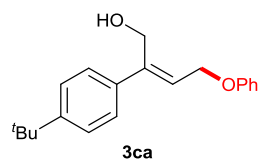


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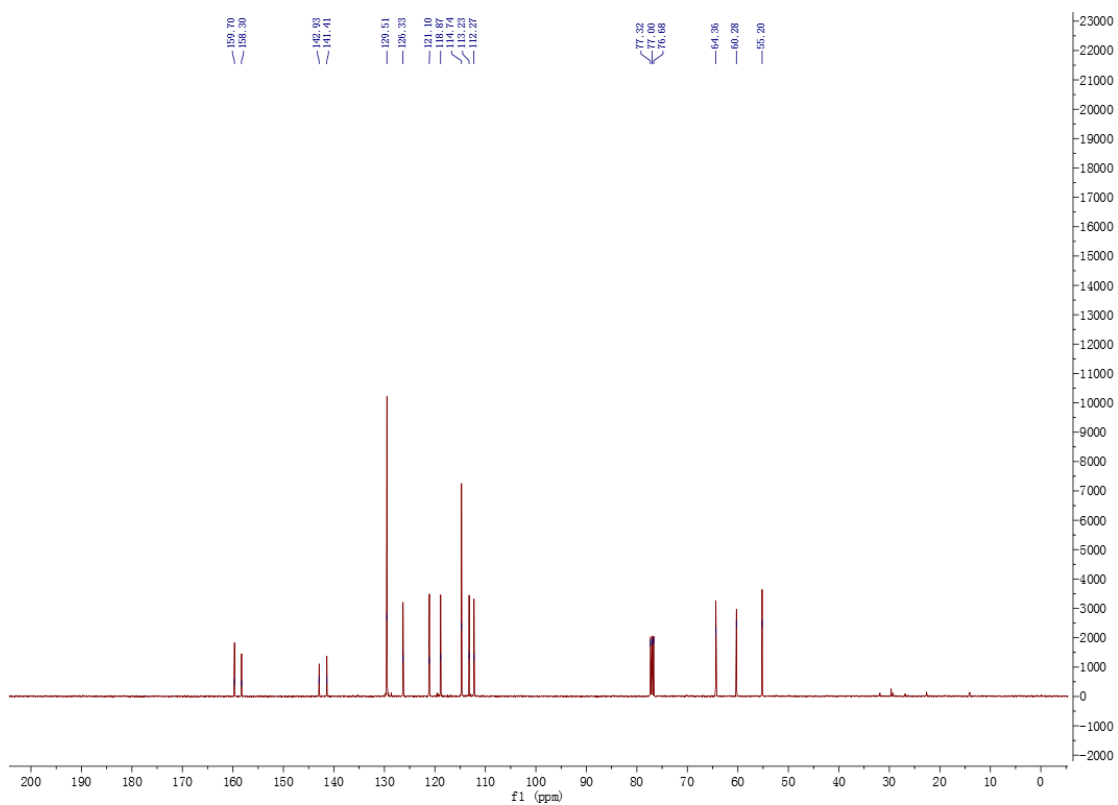
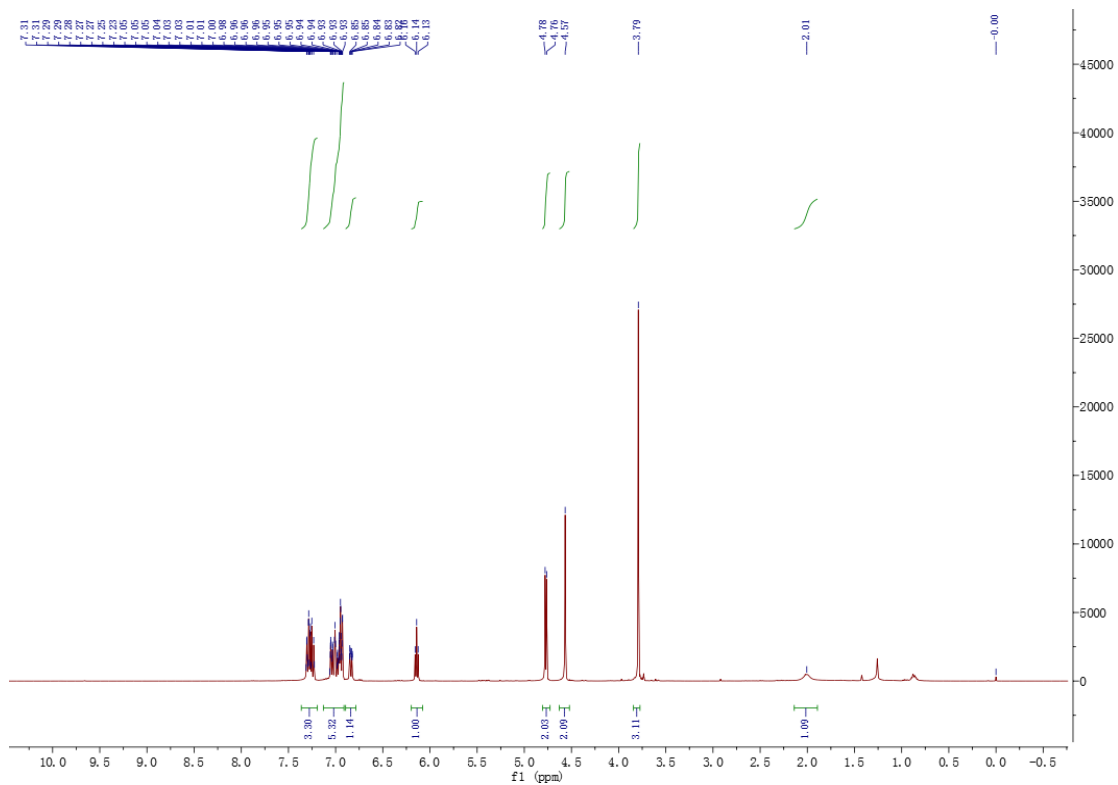


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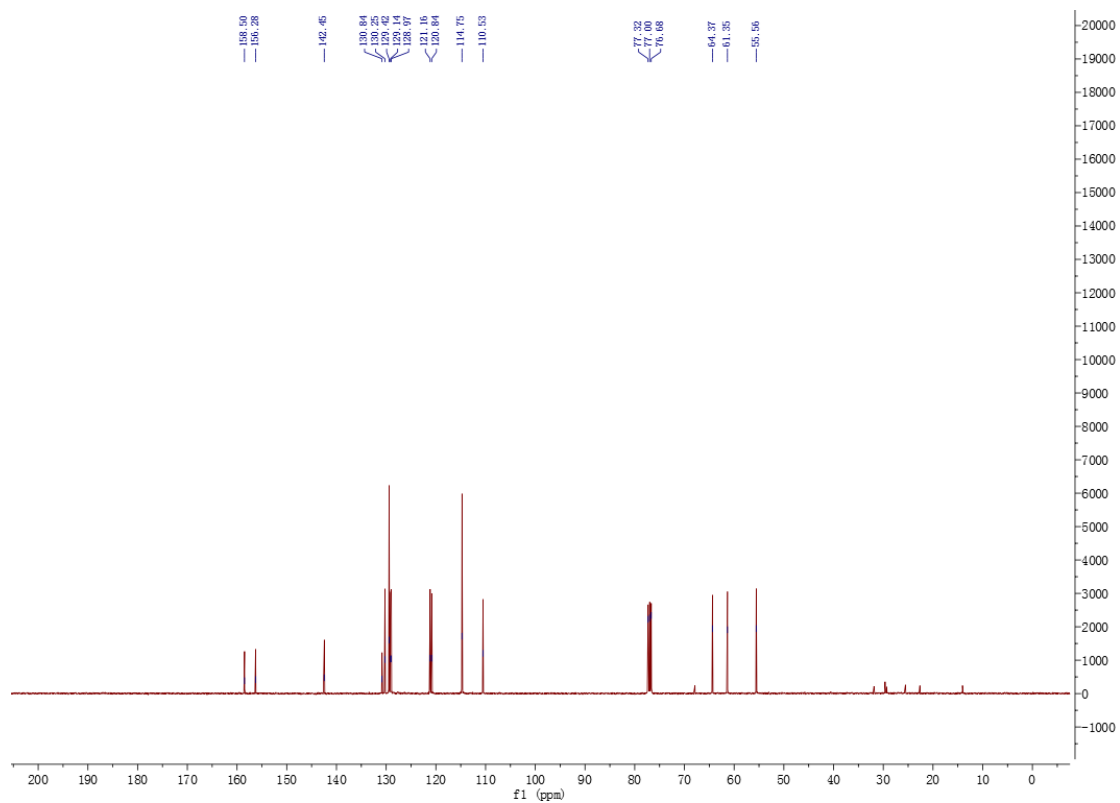
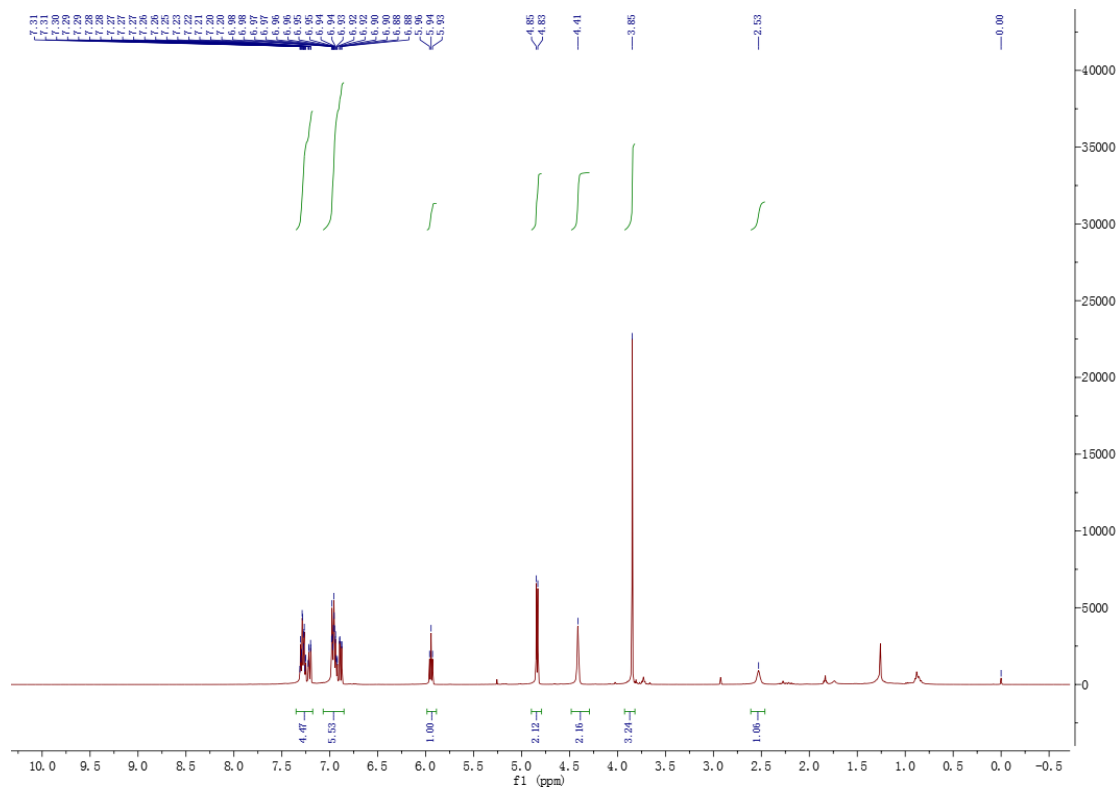
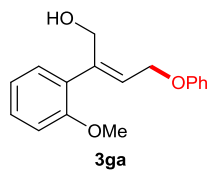


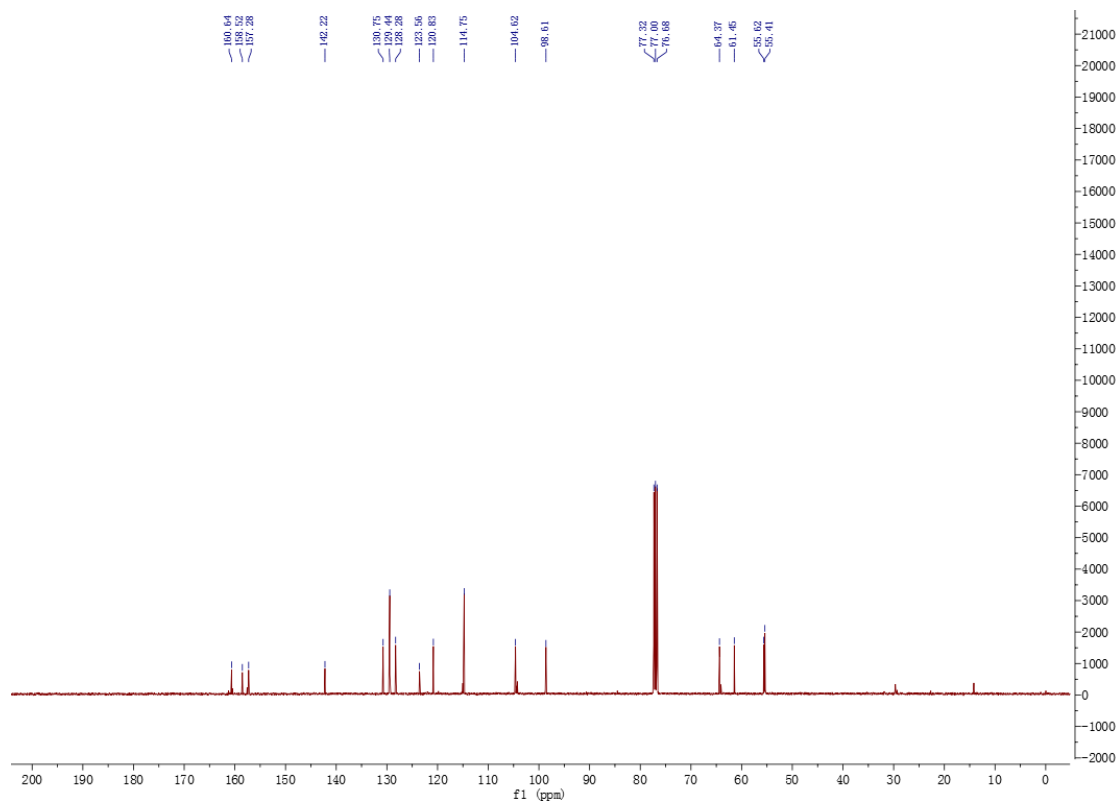


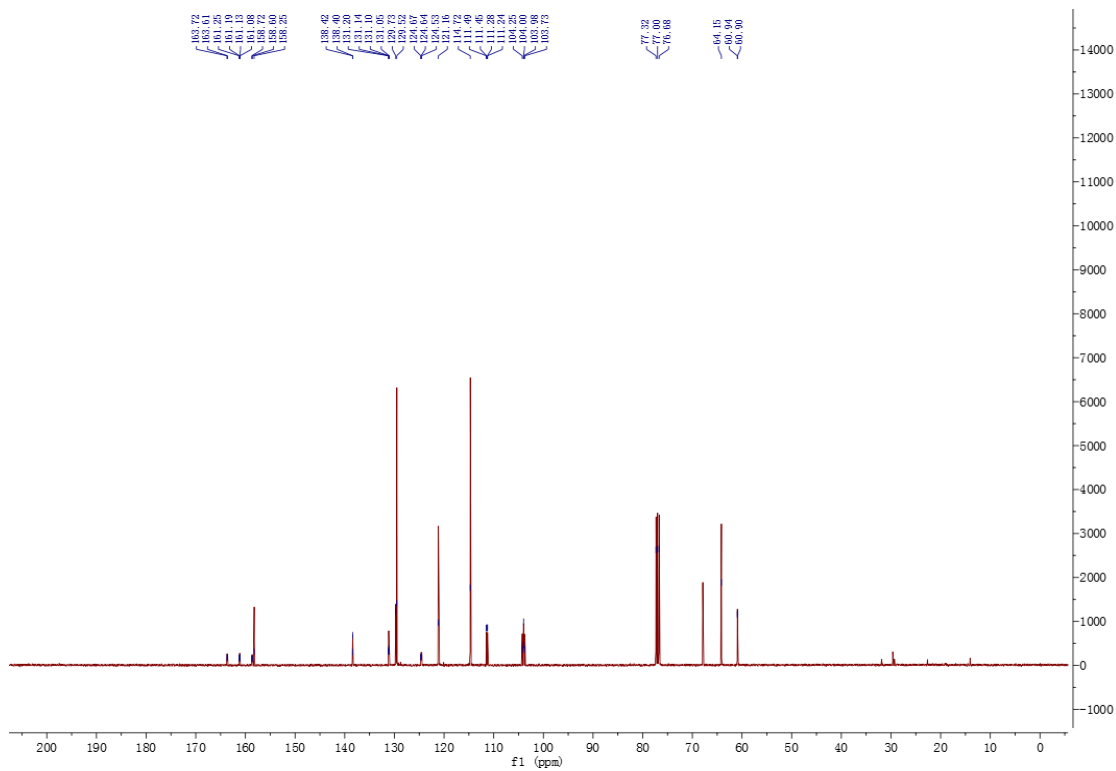


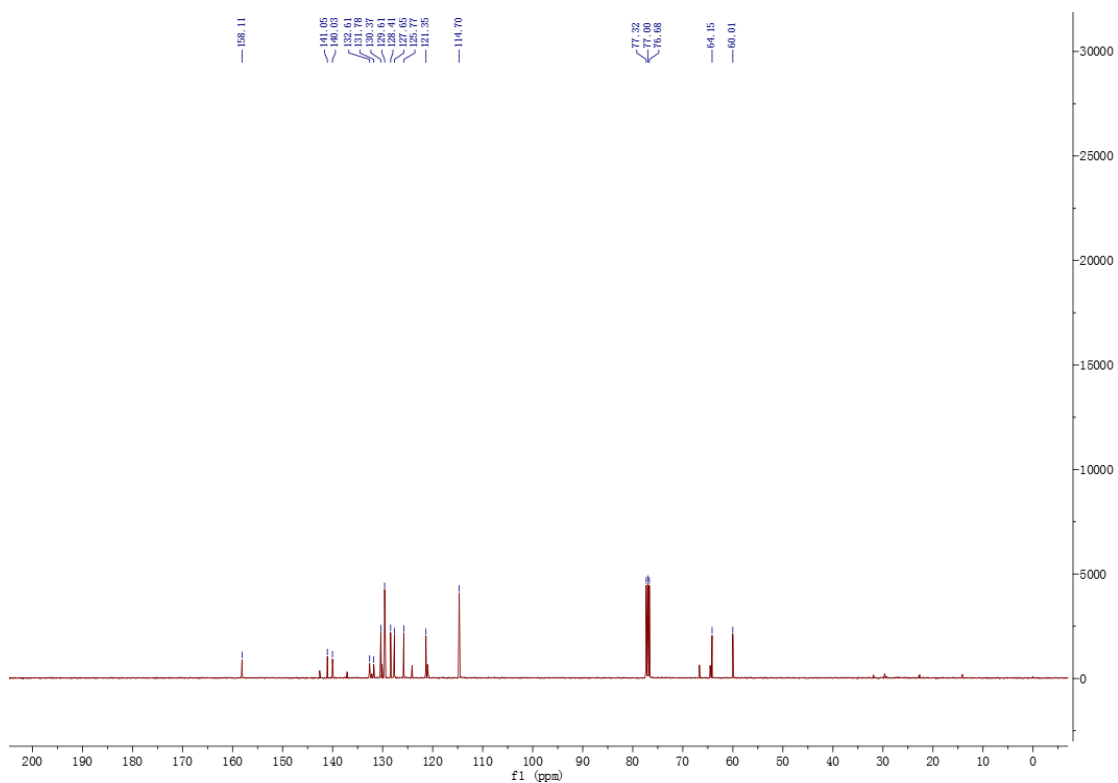
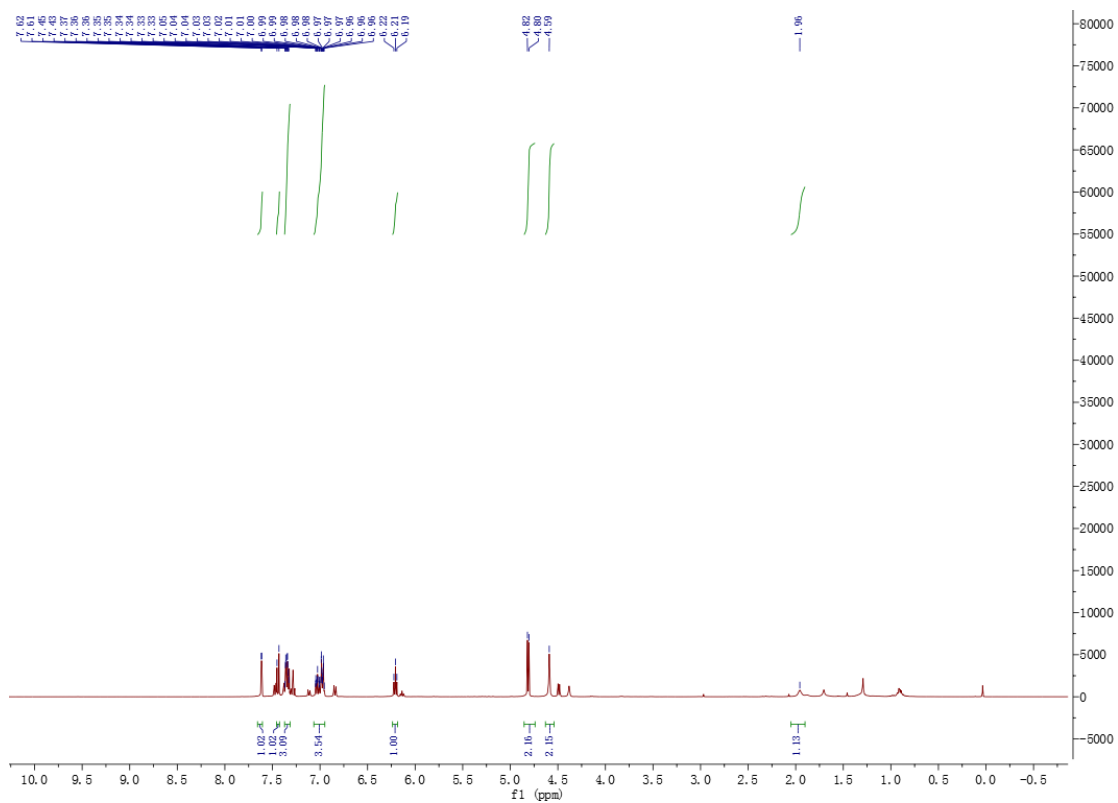
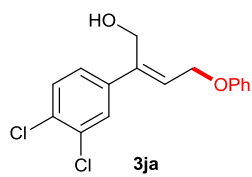


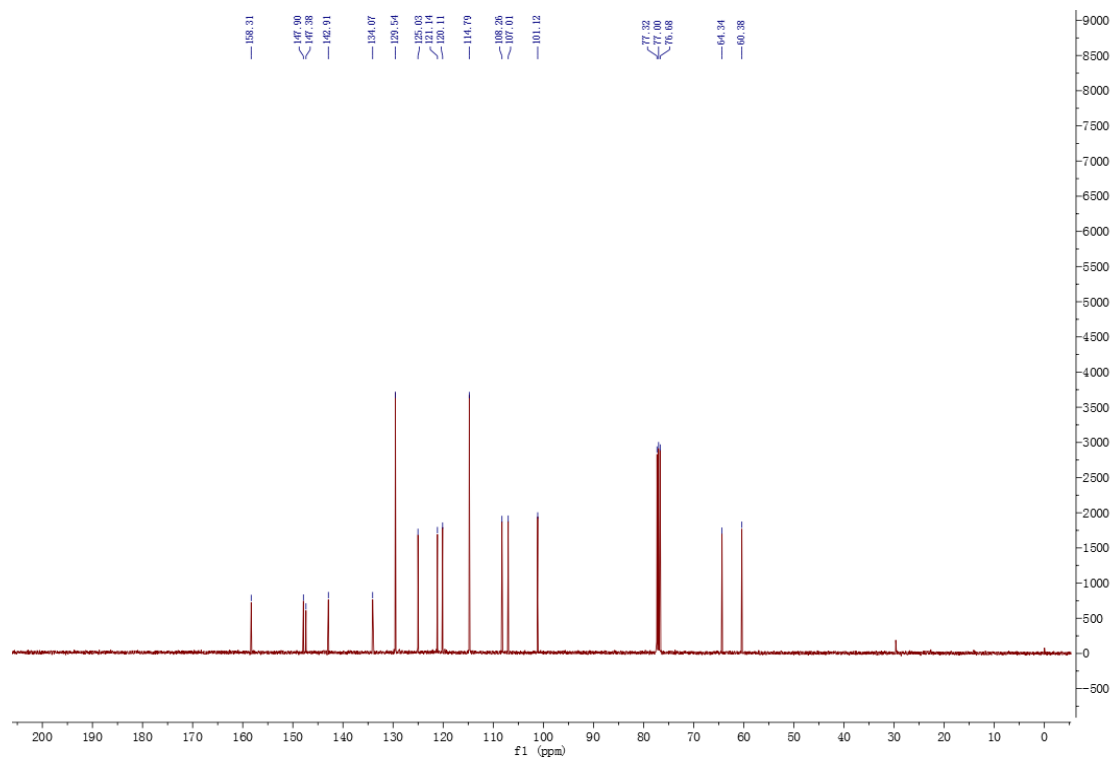
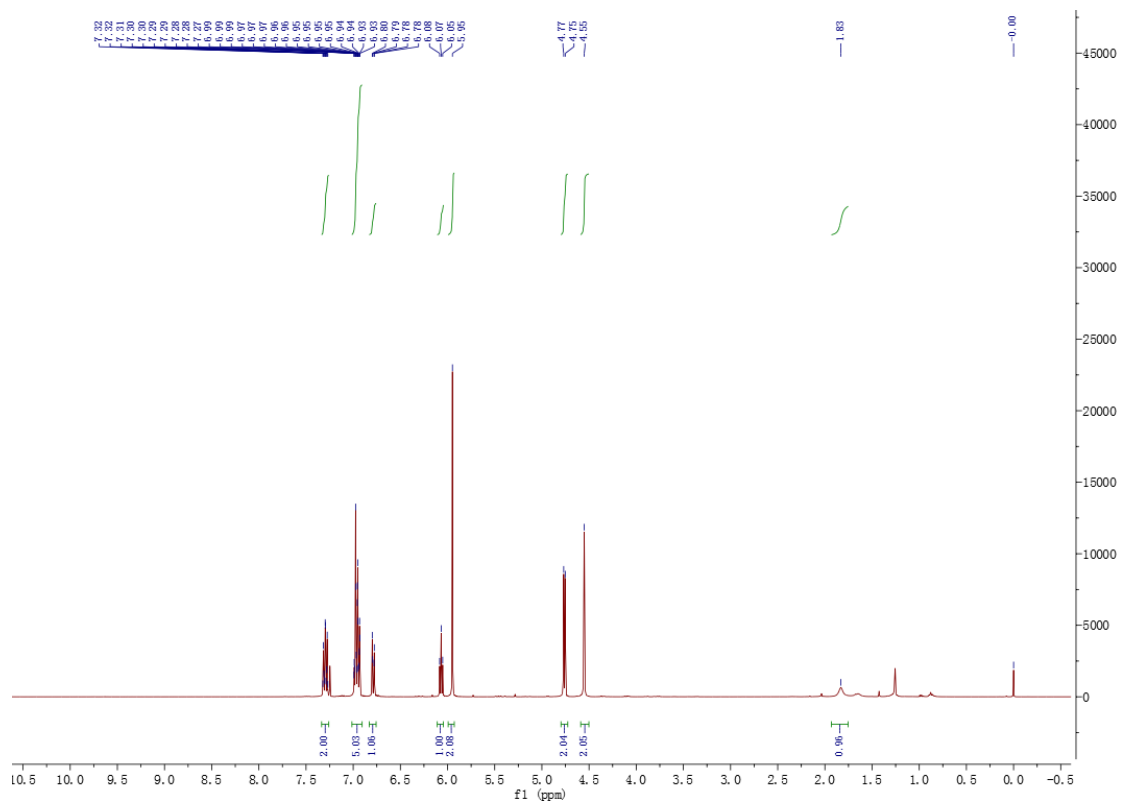
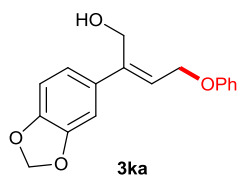


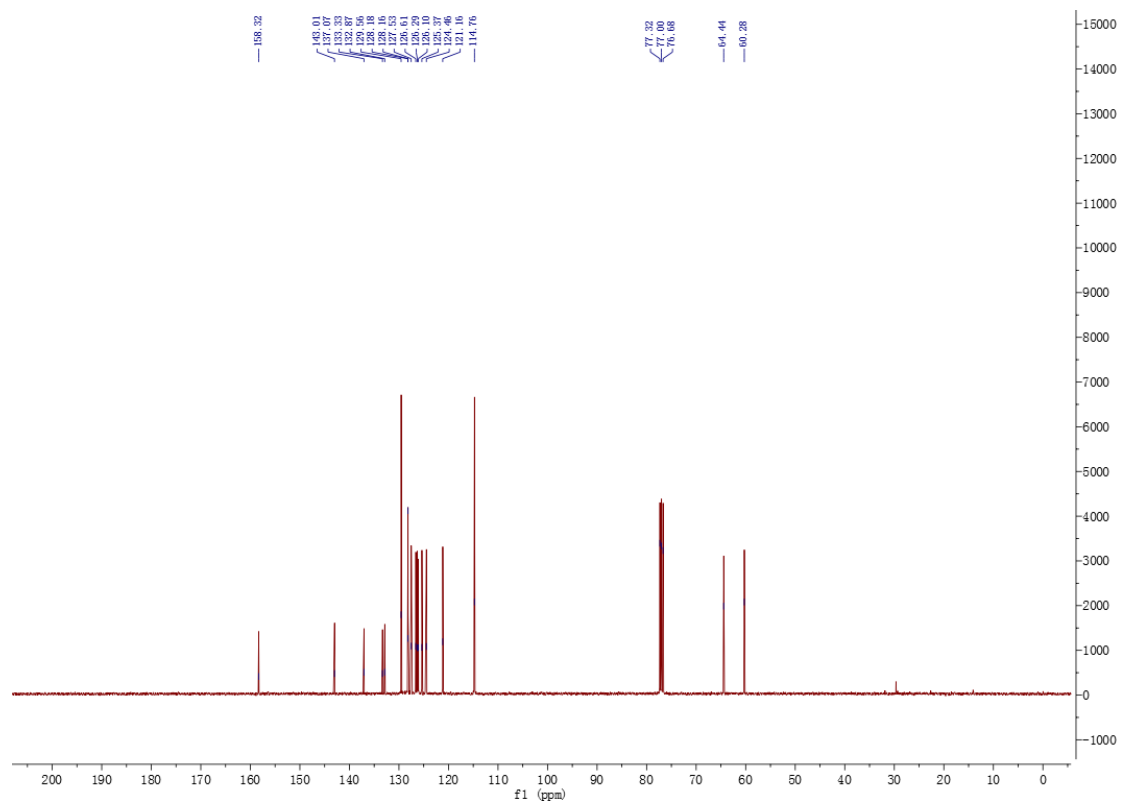
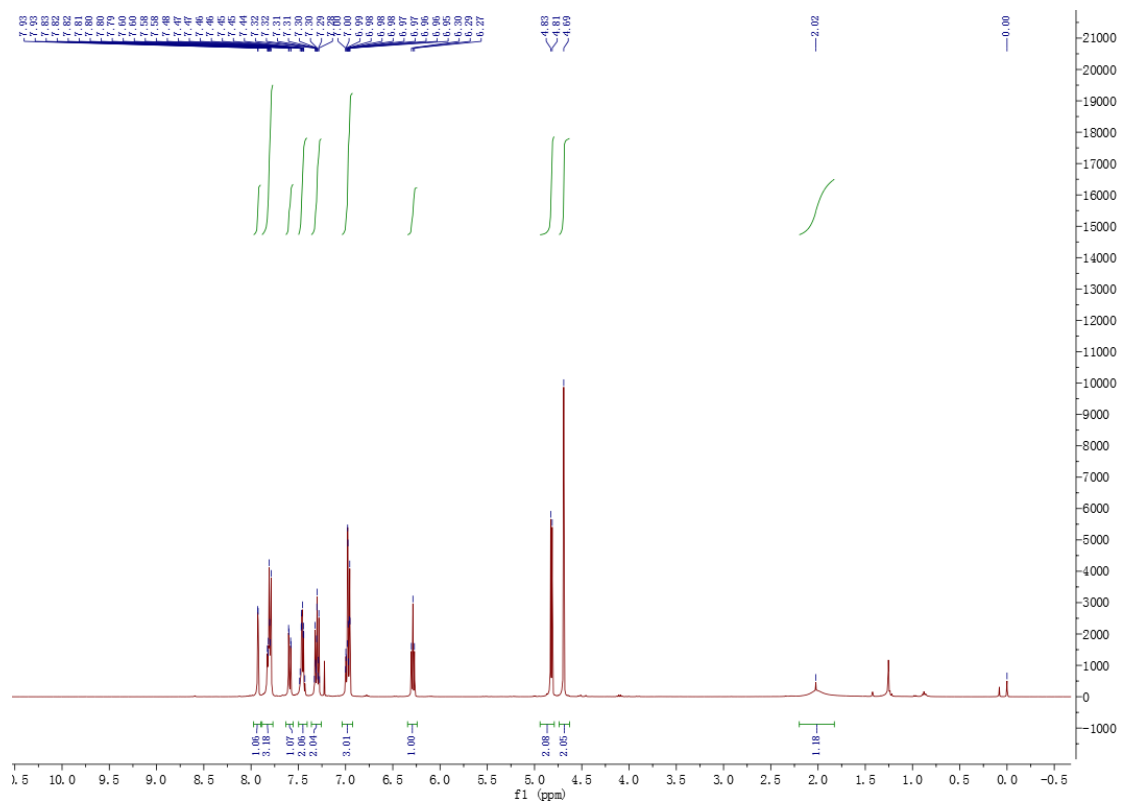
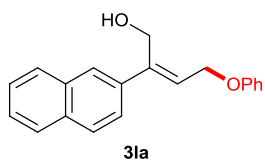


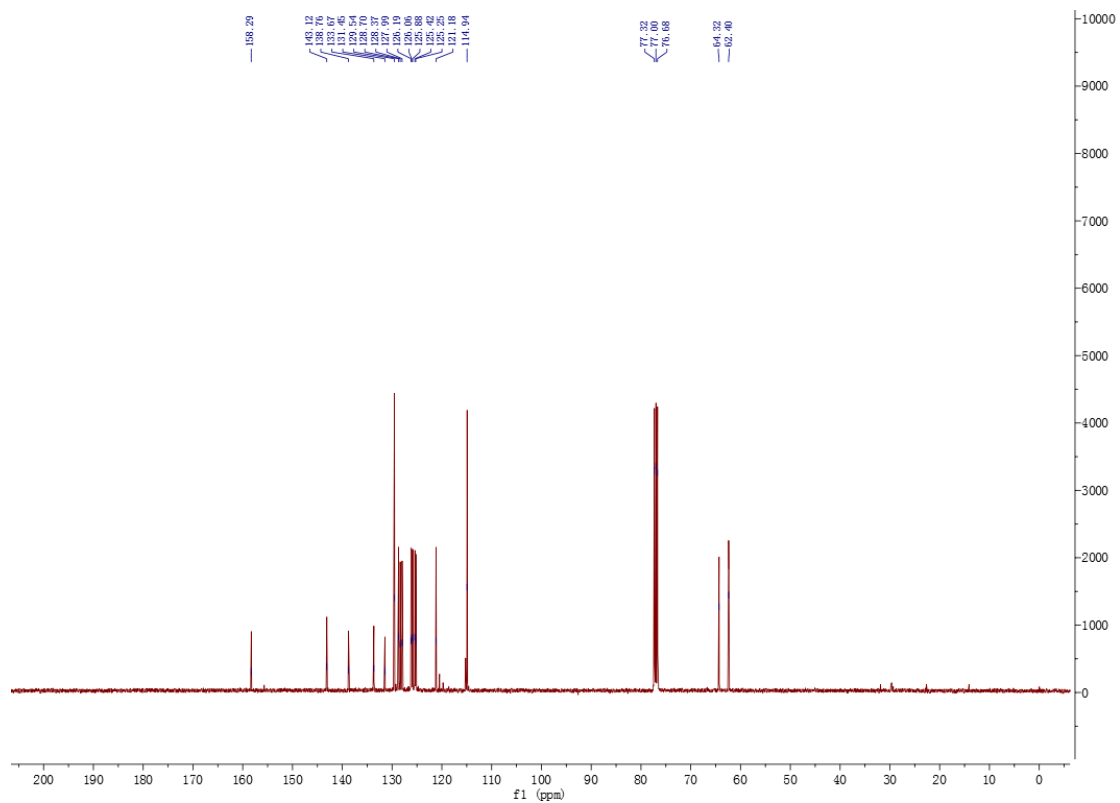


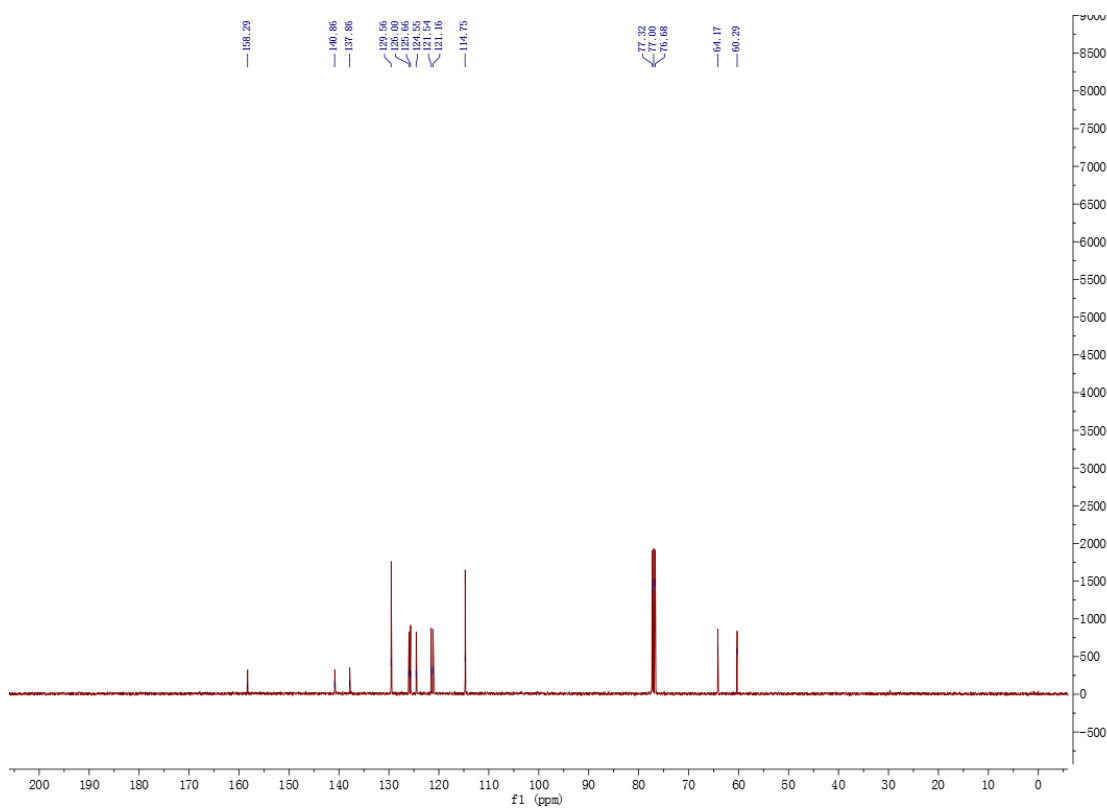
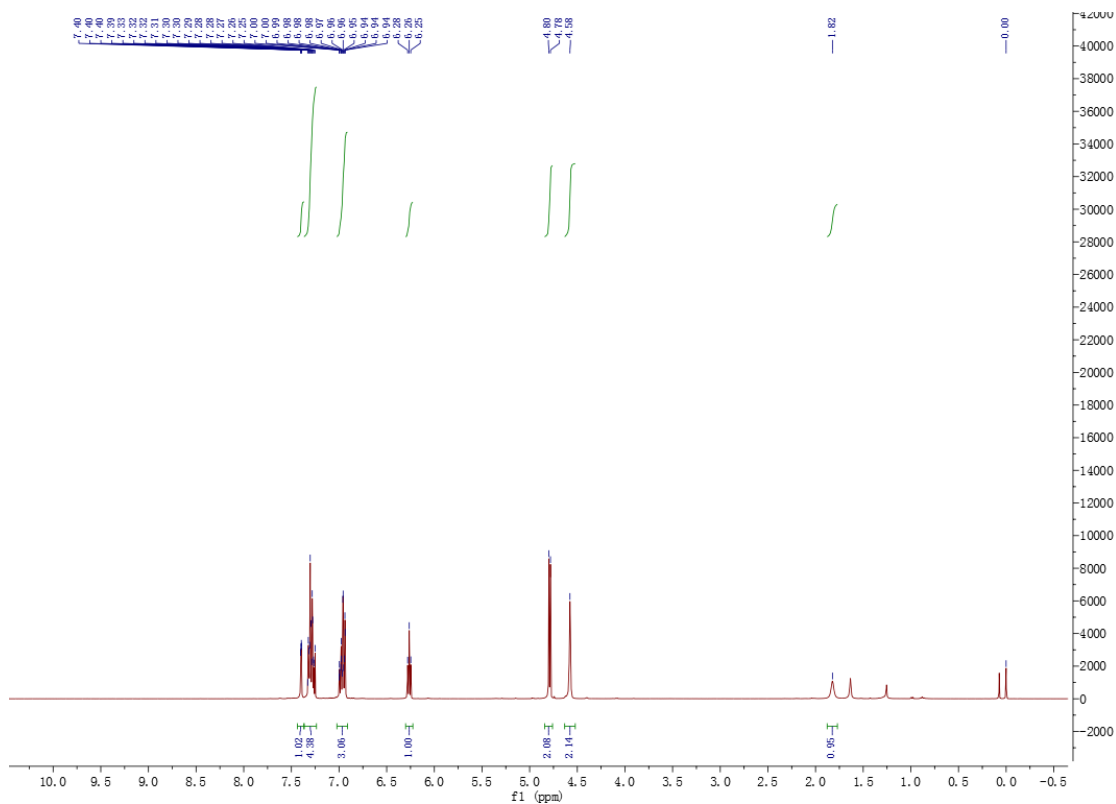
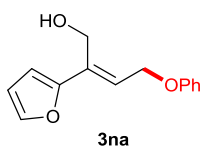


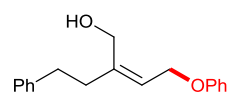




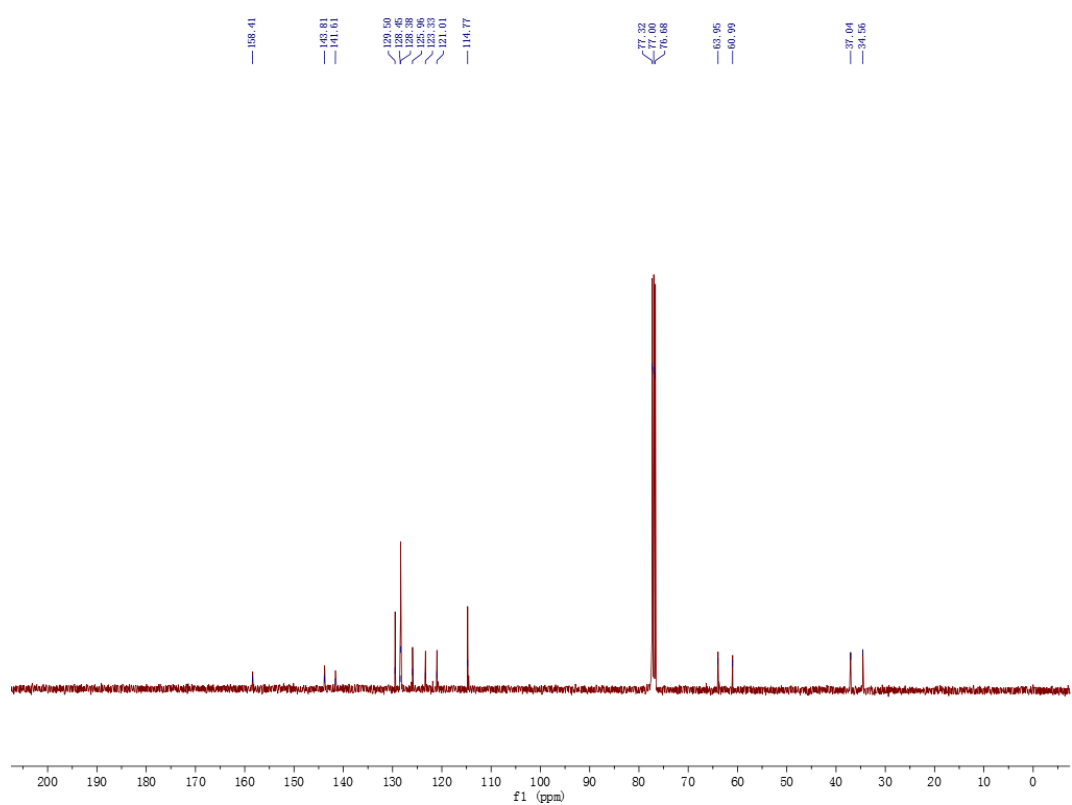
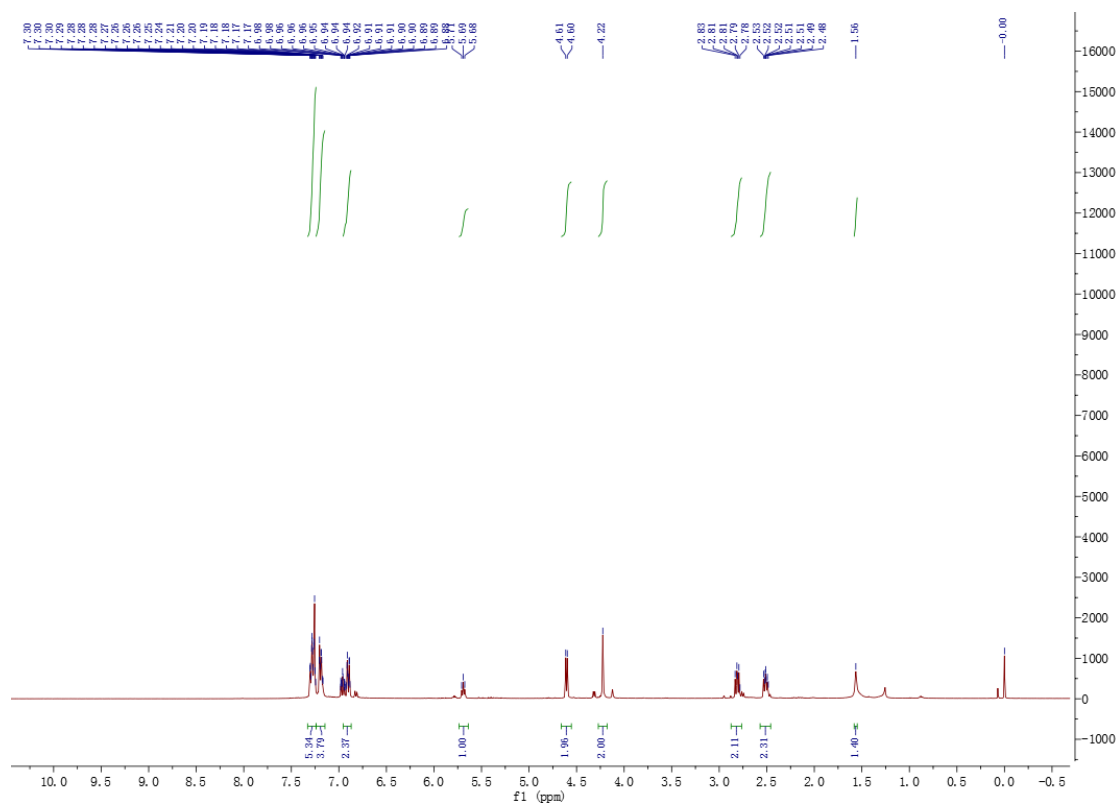


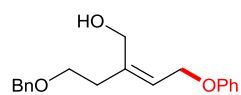




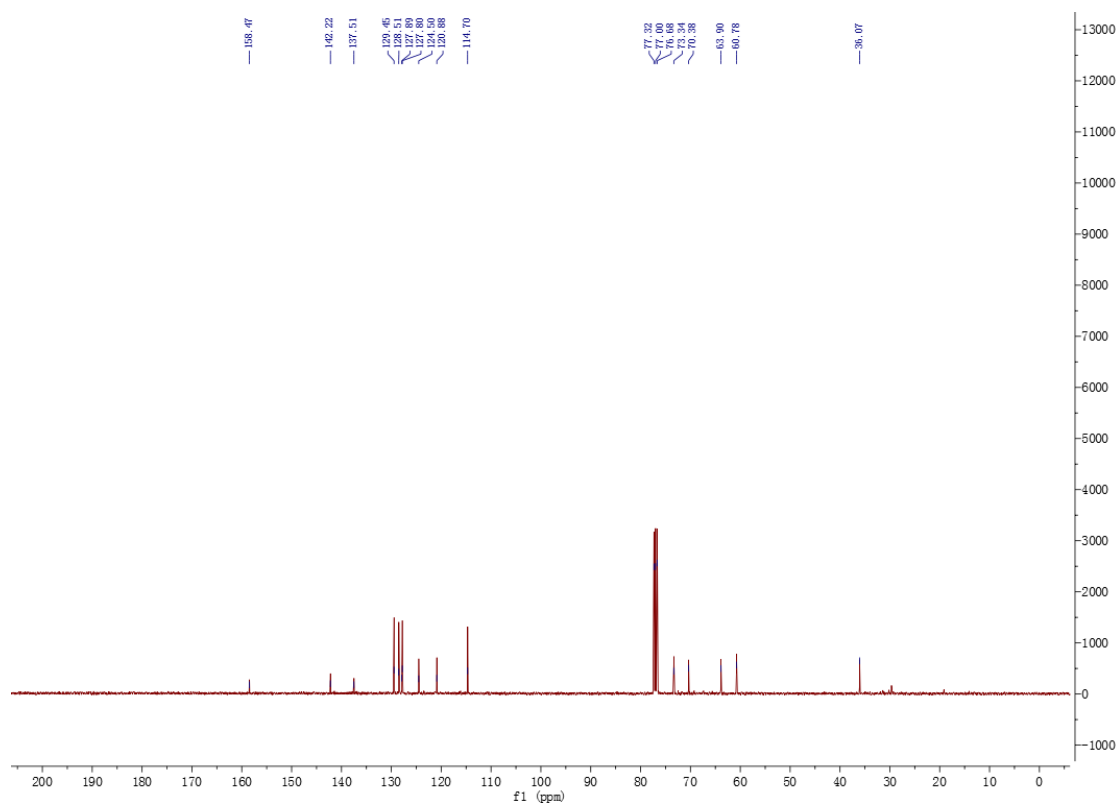
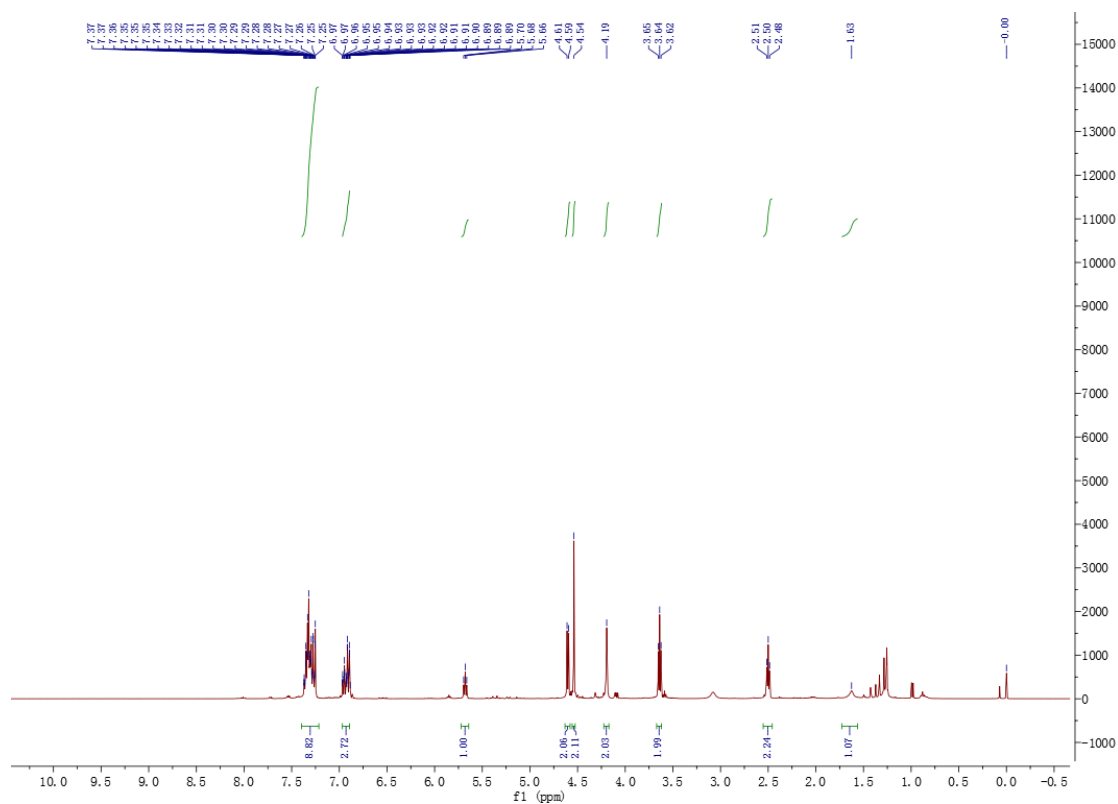


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