

Electronic Supplementary Information

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Peroxide promoted tunable decarboxylative alkylation of cinnamic acids to form alkenes or ketones under metal-free conditions

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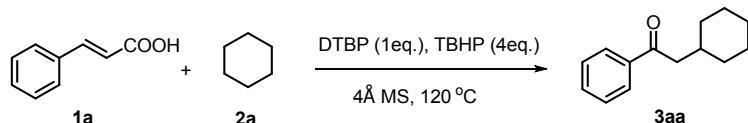
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1. General Considerations:

All reactions were run in a sealed tube with a Teflon lined cap under air atmosphere. Chemicals were commercially available and were used without purification. Disulfides were purchased or prepared according to the literature procedures.¹ ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker Avance 400 spectrometers in CDCl₃ [using (CH₃)₄Si (for ¹H, δ = 0.00; for ¹³C, δ = 77.00) as internal standard]. The following abbreviations were used to explain the multiplicities: s = singlet, d = doublet, dd = doublet of doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet. High-resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were obtained with a Waters Q-TOF mass spectrometer. LC-MS was determined on an Agilent 1200HPLC. Melting points are uncorrected.

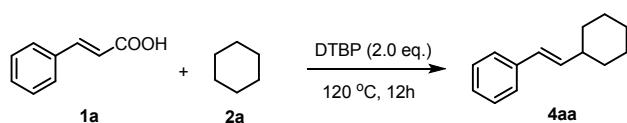
2. General Experimental Procedures

2.1 Representative procedure for decarboxylative alkylation of cinnamic acids to form ketones

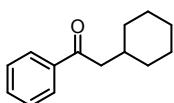


A mixture of cinnamic acid **1a** (0.5 mmol), 4A molecular sieves (200 mg), cyclohexane **2a** (2.0 mL), DTBP (0.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and TBHP (2.0 mmol, 4.0 equiv., 70% aqueous solution) was sealed in a 25 mL tube with a Teflon lined cap under nitrogen atmosphere. The tube was then placed in an oil bath, stirred and heated at 120 °C for 24 h. After cooling to room temperature, the reaction mixture was quenched with water (20 mL) and extracted with dichloromethane (25 mL × 3). The combined organic layers were dried with anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and the solvent was removed under vacuum. The crude product was purified over a column of silica gel (eluent: hexane/ethyl acetate = 20 : 1) to afford the desired product **3aa**.

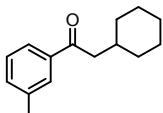
2.2 Representative procedure for decarboxylative alkylation of cinnamic acids to form alkenes:



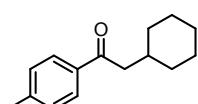
A mixture of cinnamic acid **1a** (0.5 mmol), cyclohexane **2a** (2.0 mL) and DTBP (1.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) was sealed in a 25 mL tube with a Teflon lined cap under nitrogen atmosphere. The tube was then placed in an oil bath, stirred and heated at 120 °C for 24 h. After cooling to room temperature, the reaction mixture was quenched with water (20 mL) and extracted with dichloromethane (25 mL × 3). The combined organic layers were dried with anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and the solvent was removed under vacuum. The crude product was purified over a column of silica gel (eluent: hexane/ethyl acetate = 40 : 1) to afford the desired product **4aa**.



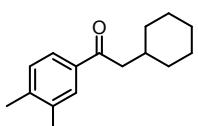
2-Cyclohexyl-1-phenylethan-1-one (3aa):¹ Colorless oil. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 7.97 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 7.59–7.55 (m, 1H), 7.49–7.45 (m, 2H), 2.84 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.05–1.95 (m, 1H), 1.80–1.66 (m, 5H), 1.36–1.16 (m, 3H), 1.09–0.99 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 200.3, 137.5, 132.8, 128.5, 128.1, 46.2, 34.6, 33.5, 26.3, 26.2.



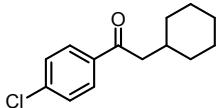
2-Cyclohexyl-1-(*m*-tolyl)ethan-1-one (3ba): Colorless oil. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 7.76 (dd, *J* = 9.2, 1.6 Hz, 2H), 7.40–7.34 (m, 2H), 2.83 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.43 (s, 3H), 2.05–1.94 (m, 1H), 1.80–1.65 (m, 5H), 1.33–1.15 (m, 3H), 1.08–0.98 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 200.5, 138.3, 137.6, 133.6, 128.6, 128.4, 125.4, 46.3, 34.6, 33.4, 26.3, 26.2, 21.4; HRMS-ESI (m/z): calcd for C₁₅H₂₀ONa [M + Na]⁺ 239.1406, found 239.1412.



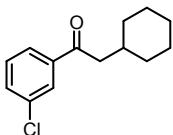
2-Cyclohexyl-1-(*p*-tolyl)ethan-1-one (3ca):² Colorless oil. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 7.87 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.27 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.81 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.43 (s, 3H), 2.04–1.94 (m, 1H), 1.79–1.65 (m, 5H), 1.32–1.15 (m, 3H), 1.08–0.98 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 200.0, 143.6, 135.0, 129.2, 128.3, 46.1, 34.7, 33.5, 26.3, 26.2, 21.6.



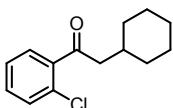
2-Cyclohexyl-1-(3,4-dimethylphenyl)ethan-1-one (3da): Colorless oil. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz) δ 7.75 (d, $J = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.70 (dd, $J = 8.0, 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.23 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.81 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 2H), 2.34 (s, 6H), 2.03–1.92 (m, 1H), 1.79–1.65 (m, 5H), 1.32–1.15 (m, 3H), 1.07–0.98 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz) δ 200.3, 142.3, 136.9, 135.5, 129.7, 129.3, 126.0, 46.1, 34.7, 33.5, 26.3, 26.2, 20.0, 19.8; HRMS-ESI (m/z): calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{22}\text{ONa} [\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$ 253.1563, found 253.1569.



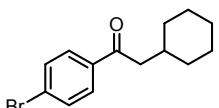
1-(4-Chlorophenyl)-2-cyclohexylethan-1-one (3ea):³ White solid. Mp: 52–54 °C. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz) δ 7.90 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 2H), 7.44 ($J = 8.8$ Hz, 2H), 2.80 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 2H), 2.01–1.92 (m, 1H), 1.78–1.65 (m, 5H), 1.32–1.15 (m, 3H), 1.07–0.98 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz) δ 199.0, 139.3, 135.8, 129.6, 128.8, 46.2, 34.5, 33.4, 26.2, 26.1.



1-(3-Chlorophenyl)-2-cyclohexylethan-1-one (3fa): Colorless oil. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz) δ 7.92 (dd, $J = 3.6, 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.84–7.81 (m, 1H), 7.54–7.51 (m, 1H), 7.41 (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 2.81 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 2H), 2.02–1.93 (m, 1H), 1.78–1.65 (m, 5H), 1.32–1.15 (m, 3H), 1.07–0.98 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz) δ 198.9, 139.0, 134.9, 132.8, 129.9, 128.2, 126.2, 46.3, 34.4, 33.4, 26.2, 26.1; HRMS-ESI (m/z): calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{17}\text{ClONa} [\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$ 259.0860, found 259.0869.

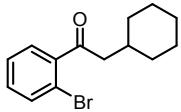


1-(2-Chlorophenyl)-2-cyclohexylethan-1-one (3ga): Colorless oil.. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz) δ 7.43–7.29 (m, 4H), 2.82 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 2H), 2.00–1.90 (m, 1H), 1.79–1.62 (m, 5H), 1.31–1.13 (m, 3H), 1.05–0.95 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz) δ 203.5, 140.1, 131.4, 130.7, 130.5, 128.6, 126.9, 50.6, 34.2, 33.2, 26.2, 26.1; HRMS-ESI (m/z): calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{17}\text{ClONa} [\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$ 259.0860, found 259.0866.

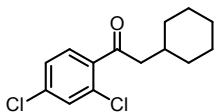


1-(4-Bromophenyl)-2-cyclohexylethan-1-one (3ha): White solid. Mp: 52–54 °C. ^1H NMR

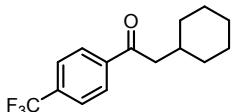
(CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 7.81 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.60 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 2.79 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.01–1.91 (m, 1H), 1.77–1.64 (m, 5H), 1.31–1.14 (m, 3H), 1.06–0.97 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 199.1, 136.1, 131.8, 129.7, 128.0, 46.1, 34.5, 33.4, 26.2, 26.1; HRMS-ESI (m/z): calcd for C₁₄H₁₇BrONa [M + Na]⁺ 303.0355, found 303.0361.



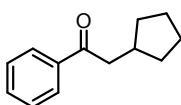
1-(2-Bromophenyl)-2-cyclohexylethan-1-one (3ia): Colorless oil. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 7.61 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.38–7.35 (m, 2H), 7.31–7.27 (m, 1H), 2.82 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.02–1.91 (m, 1H), 1.82–1.64 (m, 5H), 1.36–1.14 (m, 3H), 1.07–0.97 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 204.2, 142.3, 133.7, 131.3, 128.3, 127.4, 118.6, 50.4, 34.1, 33.2, 26.2, 26.1; HRMS-ESI (m/z): calcd for C₁₄H₁₇BrONa [M + Na]⁺ 303.0355, found 303.0378.



2-Cyclohexyl-1-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)ethan-1-one (3ja): Yellow oil. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 7.44 (d, *J* = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.31 (dd, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 2.81 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 1.99–1.88 (m, 1H), 1.77–1.64 (m, 5H), 1.33–1.13 (m, 3H), 1.05–0.96 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 202.2, 138.2, 137.0, 131.9, 130.4, 129.9, 127.3, 50.5, 34.3, 33.2, 26.2, 26.1; HRMS-ESI (m/z): calcd for C₁₄H₁₆Cl₂ONa [M + Na]⁺ 253.1563, found 253.1568.

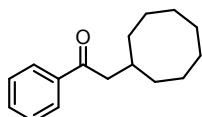


2-Cyclohexyl-1-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)ethan-1-one (3ka): Colorless oil. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz), δ 8.06 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.73 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 2.86 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.05–1.94 (m, 1H), 1.79–1.65 (m, 5H), 1.33–1.15 (m, 3H), 1.08–0.99 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 199.2, 140.1, 134.2 (q, *J* = 32.4 Hz), 128.4, 125.6 (q, *J* = 3.5 Hz), 123.6 (q, *J* = 270.9 Hz), 46.5, 34.4, 33.4, 26.2, 26.1; HRMS-ESI (m/z): calcd for C₁₅H₁₇F₃ONa [M + Na]⁺ 293.1123, found 293.1136.

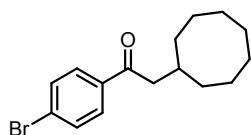


2-Cyclopentyl-1-phenylethan-1-one (3ab):¹ Colorless oil. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 8.00–7.97 (m, 2H), 7.60–7.55 (m, 1H), 7.50–7.46 (m, 2H), 3.00 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.47–2.35 (m, 1H),

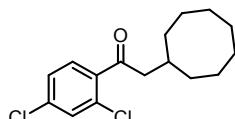
1.94–1.86 (m, 2H), 1.69–1.55 (m, 4H), 1.25–1.18 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz) δ 200.4, 137.3, 132.8, 128.5, 128.1, 44.8, 36.1, 32.7, 25.0.



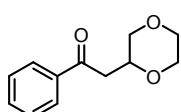
2-Cyclooctyl-1-phenylethan-1-one (3ac): Colorless oil. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz) δ 7.98–7.94 (m, 2H), 7.59–7.54 (m, 1H), 7.49–7.44 (m, 2H), 2.88 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 2H), 2.34–2.26 (m, 1H), 1.69–1.52 (m, 12H), 1.42–1.35 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz) δ 200.5, 137.5, 132.8, 128.5, 128.1, 46.9, 34.1, 32.5, 27.1, 26.2, 25.3; HRMS-ESI (m/z): calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{22}\text{ONa} [\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$ 253.1563, found 253.1568.



1-(4-Bromophenyl)-2-cyclooctylethan-1-one (3hc): White solid. Mp: 40–42 °C. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz) δ 7.83 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 2H), 7.61 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 2H), 2.84 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 2H), 2.30–2.23 (m, 1H), 1.67–1.51 (m, 12H), 1.41–1.33 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz) δ 199.4, 136.1, 131.9, 129.7, 128.0, 46.8, 34.0, 32.5, 27.1, 26.2, 25.3. HRMS-ESI (m/z): calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{21}\text{BrOK} [\text{M} + \text{K}]^+$ 347.0407, found 347.0403.

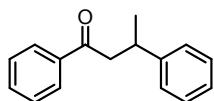


2-Cyclooctyl-1-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)ethan-1-one (3jc): Yellow oil. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz) δ 7.44 (d, $J = 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.41 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.32 (dd, $J = 8.0, 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.85 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 2.26–2.18 (m, 1H), 1.66–1.49 (m, 12H), 1.39–1.32 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz) δ 202.5, 138.2, 137.0, 131.9, 130.4, 129.9, 127.3, 51.3, 33.9, 32.4, 27.0, 26.2, 25.2; HRMS-ESI (m/z): calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{20}\text{Cl}_2\text{ONa} [\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$ 321.0783, found 321.0781.

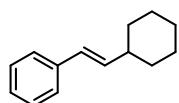


2-(1,4-Dioxan-2-yl)-1-phenylethan-1-one (3ad):⁴ Colorless oil. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz) δ 7.99–7.96 (m, 2H), 7.62–7.58 (m, 1H), 7.51–7.47 (m, 2H), 4.30–4.24 (m, 1H), 3.95 (d, $J = 11.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.82–3.74 (m, 3H), 3.68–3.62 (m, 1H), 3.41 (t, $J = 10.4$ Hz, 1H), 3.27 (dd, $J = 16.4, 6.4$ Hz, 1H), 2.91 (dd, $J = 16.4, 6.0$, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz) δ 197.1, 136.9, 133.4, 128.7,

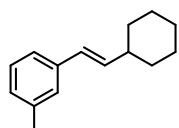
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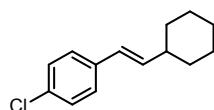
1,3-Diphenylbutan-1-one (3ae):⁵ Colorless oil. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 7.95 (dd, *J* = 7.2, 5.2 Hz, 2H), 7.59–7.55 (m, 1H), 7.49–7.45 (m, 2H), 7.35–7.29 (m, 4H), 7.24–7.20 (m, 1H), 3.58–3.49 (m, 1H), 3.33 (dd, *J* = 16.4, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 3.21 (dd, *J* = 16.4, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 1.36 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 199.1, 146.6, 137.2, 133.0, 128.6, 128.5, 128.1, 126.9, 126.3, 47.0, 35.6, 21.9.



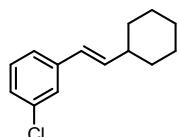
(E)-(2-Cyclohexylvinyl)benzene (4aa):⁶ Colorless oil. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 7.40–7.37 (m, 2H), 7.33–7.29 (m, 2H), 7.23–7.19 (m, 1H), 6.37 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.21 (dd, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 6.8 Hz, 1H), 2.20–2.12 (m, 1H), 1.86–1.69 (m, 5H), 1.41–1.16 (m, 5H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 138.1, 136.9, 128.5, 127.2, 126.7, 125.9, 41.2, 33.0, 26.2, 26.1.



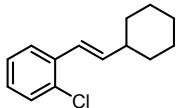
(E)-1-(2-Cyclohexylvinyl)-3-methylbenzene (4ba):⁷ Colorless oil. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 7.27–7.20 (m, 3H), 7.07 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 6.39 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.23 (dd, *J* = 16.0, 6.8 Hz, 1H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 2.24–2.15 (m, 1H), 1.89–1.73 (m, 5H), 1.44–1.20 (m, 5H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 138.1, 138.0, 136.7, 128.4, 127.6, 127.3, 126.7, 123.2, 41.2, 33.0, 26.2, 26.1, 21.5.



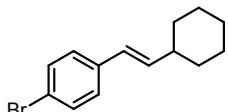
(E)-1-Chloro-4-(2-cyclohexylvinyl)benzene (4ea):⁶ Colorless oil. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 7.31–7.26 (m, 4H), 6.33 (dd, *J* = 16.0, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 6.18 (dd, *J* = 16.0, 6.8 Hz, 1H), 2.20–2.11 (m, 1H), 1.86–1.70 (m, 5H), 1.42–1.16 (m, 5H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 137.5, 136.6, 132.2, 128.6, 127.2, 126.1, 41.2, 32.9, 26.2, 26.0.



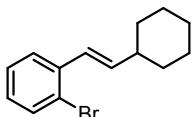
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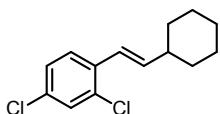
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(E)-1-Bromo-4-(2-cyclohexylvinyl)benzene (4ha):⁶ White solid. Mp: 43–45 °C. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 7.43 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.23 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.31 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.20 (dd, *J* = 16.0, 6.8 Hz, 1H), 2.19–2.11 (m, 1H), 1.85–1.70 (m, 5H), 1.41–1.16 (m, 5H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 137.7, 137.0, 131.5, 127.5, 126.2, 120.3, 41.2, 32.9, 26.2, 26.0.

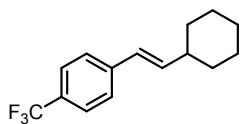


(E)-1-Bromo-2-(2-cyclohexylvinyl)benzene (4ia): Colorless oil. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 7.57–7.52 (m, 2H), 7.28–7.24 (m, 1H), 7.10–7.06 (m, 1H), 6.72 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.16 (dd, *J* = 16.0, 6.8 Hz, 1H), 2.27–2.18 (m, 1H), 1.89–1.71 (m, 5H), 1.42–1.19 (m, 5H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 139.8, 137.8, 132.8, 128.1, 127.4, 126.8, 126.3, 123.4, 41.3, 32.9, 26.2, 26.0; HRMS-ESI (m/z): calcd for C₁₄H₁₈Br [M + H]⁺ 265.0592, found 265.0597.

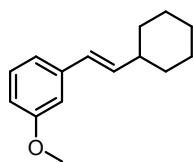


(E)-2,4-Dichloro-1-(2-cyclohexylvinyl)benzene (4ja): Colorless oil. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 7.45 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.8 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 2.0 Hz, 2H), 6.67 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.16 (dd, *J* = 16.0, 6.8 Hz, 1H), 2.24–2.15 (m, 1H), 1.86–1.69 (m, 5H), 1.38–1.17 (m, 5H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 140.3, 134.7, 133.1, 132.6, 129.2, 127.3, 127.0, 122.7, 41.4,

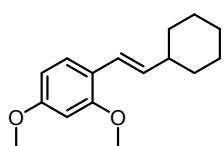
32.8, 26.1, 26.0; HRMS-ESI (m/z): calcd for $C_{14}H_{17}Cl_2$ [M + H]⁺ 255.0707, found 255.0711.



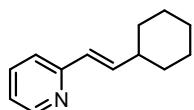
(E)-1-(2-Cyclohexylvinyl)-4-(trifluoromethyl)benzene (4ka):⁹ Colorless oil. ¹H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 400 MHz) δ 7.57 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.46 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 6.41 (d, $J = 16.4$ Hz, 1H), 6.31 (dd, $J = 16.4$, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 2.24–2.15 (m, 1H), 1.87–1.71 (m, 5H), 1.43–1.18 (m, 5H); ¹³C NMR ($CDCl_3$, 100 MHz) δ 141.6, 139.6, 128.6 (q, $J = 32.1$ Hz), 126.2, 126.1, 125.4 (q, $J = 3.7$ Hz), 124.4 (q, $J = 270.1$ Hz), 41.2, 32.8, 26.1, 26.0.



(E)-1-(2-Cyclohexylvinyl)-3-methoxybenzene (4la):⁷ Colorless oil. ¹H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 400 MHz) δ 7.24 (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.99 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 6.94 (t, $J = 1.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.79 (dd, $J = 8.0$, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.36 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.22 (dd, $J = 16.0$, 6.8 Hz, 1H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 2.21–2.13 (m, 1H), 1.87–1.71 (m, 5H), 1.43–1.18 (m, 5H); ¹³C NMR ($CDCl_3$, 100 MHz) δ 159.8, 139.6, 137.2, 129.4, 127.2, 118.7, 112.4, 111.3, 55.2, 41.2, 33.0, 26.2, 26.1.

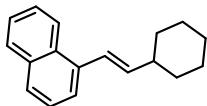


(E)-1-(2-Cyclohexylvinyl)-2,4-dimethoxybenzene (4ma): Colorless oil. ¹H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 400 MHz) δ 7.38 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 6.63 (d, $J = 16.4$ Hz, 1H), 6.50–6.46 (m, 2H), 6.08 (dd, $J = 16.4$, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 2.20–2.12 (m, 1H), 1.87–1.69 (m, 5H), 1.38–1.20 (m, 5H); ¹³C NMR ($CDCl_3$, 100 MHz) δ 159.8, 157.3, 135.4, 126.8, 121.4, 120.2, 104.7, 98.4, 55.4, 55.3, 41.6, 33.2, 26.3, 26.2. HRMS-ESI (m/z): calcd for $C_{16}H_{23}O_2$ [M + H]⁺ 247.1698, found 247.1687.

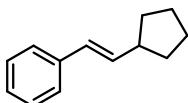


(E)-2-(2-Cyclohexylvinyl)pyridine (4na):¹⁰ Yellow oil. ¹H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 400 MHz) δ 8.53 (d, $J = 4.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.62–7.57 (m, 1H), 7.25 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.10–7.07 (m, 1H), 6.71 (dd, $J = 16.0$, 6.8 Hz, 1H), 6.45 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.24–2.15 (m, 1H), 1.87–1.67 (m, 5H), 1.36–1.18 (m, 5H); ¹³C NMR ($CDCl_3$, 100 MHz) δ 156.3, 149.3, 141.5, 136.4, 127.4, 121.5, 121.1, 41.0, 32.6, 26.1,

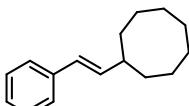
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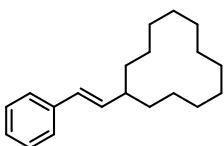
(E)-1-(2-Cyclohexylvinyl)naphthalene (4oa):⁶ Yellow oil. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 8.22 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 7.91 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.81 (d, *J* = 4.2 Hz, 1H), 7.65–7.48 (m, 4H), 7.17 (d, *J* = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 6.28 (dd, *J* = 15.6, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 2.38–2.30 (m, 1H), 2.00–1.78 (m, 5H), 1.48–1.31 (m, 5H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 140.3, 136.0, 133.7, 131.3, 128.5, 127.2, 125.8, 125.7, 125.6, 124.4, 124.0, 123.5, 41.6, 33.1, 26.3, 26.2.



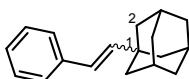
(E)-(2-Cyclopentylvinyl)benzene (4ab):⁶ Colorless oil. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 7.42–7.40 (m, 2H), 7.37–7.32 (m, 2H), 7.26–7.22 (m, 1H), 6.44 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.27 (dd, *J* = 16.0, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 2.71–2.61 (m, 1H), 1.97–1.89 (m, 2H), 1.82–1.64 (m, 4H), 1.51–1.42 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 138.0, 135.7, 128.5, 127.9, 126.7, 126.0, 43.9, 33.3, 25.3.



(E)-Styrylcyclooctane (4ac):⁶ Colorless oil. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 7.41–7.39 (m, 2H), 7.35–7.32 (m, 2H), 7.25–7.21 (m, 1H), 6.38 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.27 (dd, *J* = 16.0, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 2.45–2.43 (m, 1H), 1.86–1.57 (m, 14H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 138.2, 137.9, 128.5, 126.9, 126.7, 126.0, 41.4, 31.9, 27.5, 26.0, 25.1.

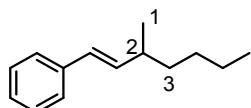


(E)-Styrylcyclododecane (4af): White solid. Mp: 38–40 °C. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 7.40 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.35–7.31 (m, 2H), 7.25–7.20 (m, 1H), 6.39 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.15 (dd, *J* = 16.0, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.43–2.35 (m, 1H), 1.66–1.51 (m, 2H), 1.47–1.34 (m, 20H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 138.1, 136.6, 128.5, 128.2, 126.7, 126.0, 37.6, 30.0, 23.9, 23.8, 23.4, 22.4; HRMS-ESI (m/z): calcd for C₂₀H₃₁ [M + H]⁺ 271.2426, found 271.2413.



(3r,5r,7r)-1-((E)-Styryl)adamantine (4ag):¹¹ White solid (a mixture, 83% coupling on C(1) and S10

17% coupling on C(2), determined by ^1H NMR). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz) δ 7.44–7.20 (m, 5H), 6.55 (dd, J = 16.0, 6.4 Hz, 0.17H), 6.45 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 0.17H), 6.29 (d, J = 16.4 Hz, 0.83H), 6.15 (d, J = 16.4 Hz, 0.83H), 2.61 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 0.17H), 2.08–1.90 (m, 4H), 1.82–1.73 (m, 10.83H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz) δ 142.1, 138.2, 135.1, 128.9, 128.5, 126.7, 126.0, 124.5, 47.8, 47.4, 42.3, 38.8, 38.1, 36.9, 35.6, 35.2, 33.1, 32.2, 31.7, 28.5, 28.1, 27.9.

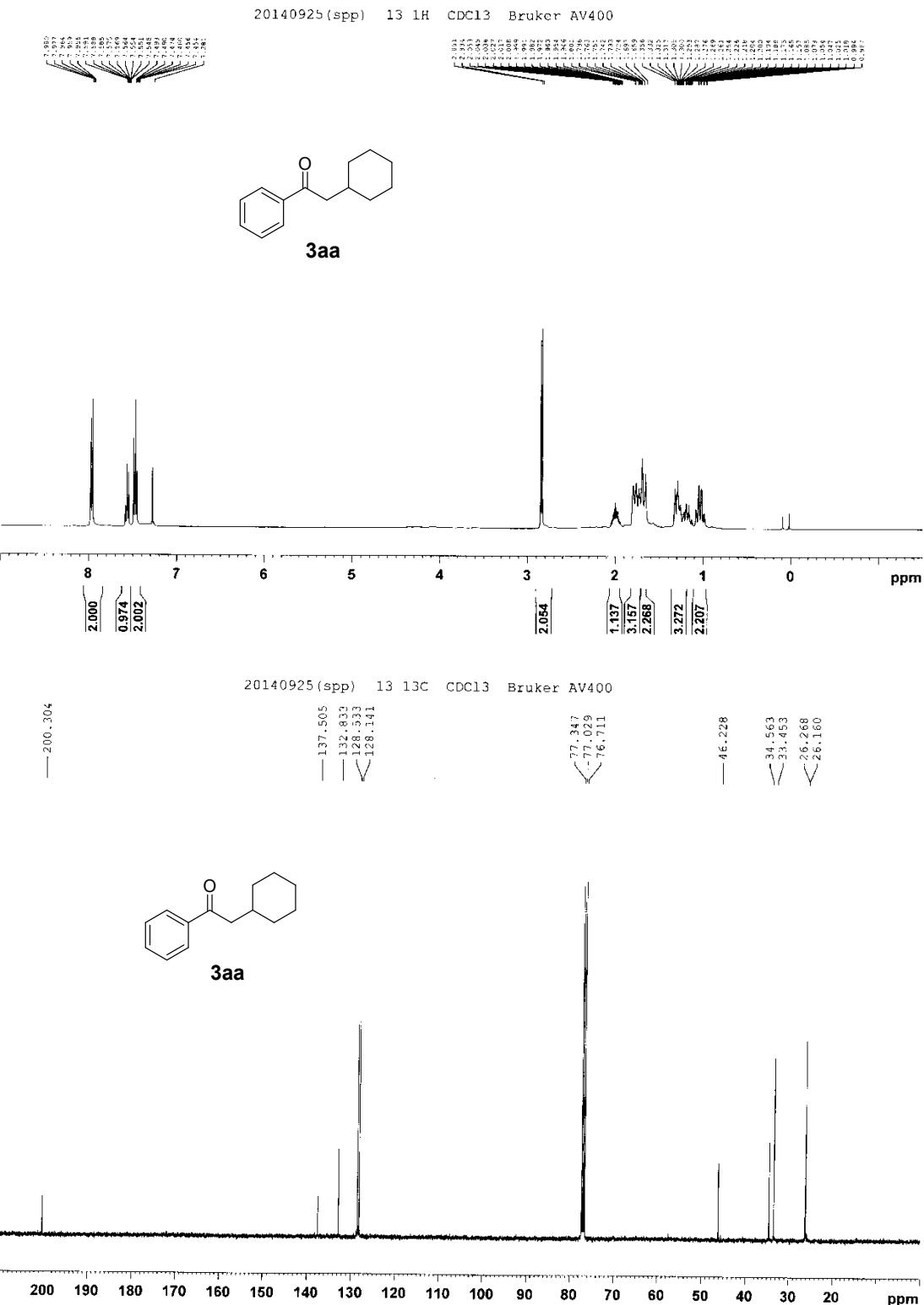


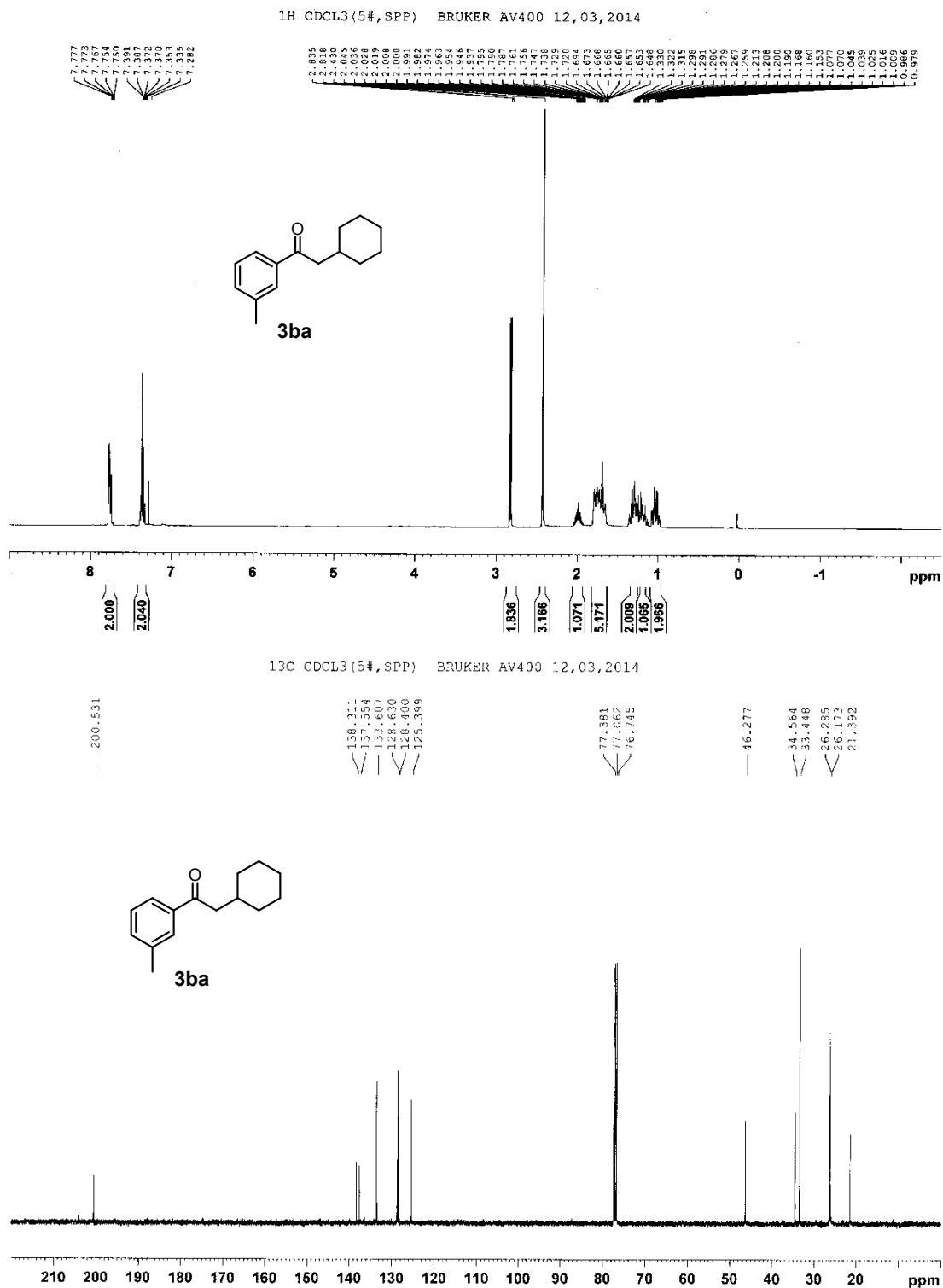
(E)-(3-Methylhept-1-en-1-yl)benzene (4ah):⁶ Colorless oil (a mixture, 10% coupling on C(1), 50% coupling on C(2) and 40% coupling on C(3), determined by ^1H NMR). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz) δ 7.42–7.40 (m, 2H), 7.34 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.26–7.22 (m, 1H), 6.41–6.37 (m, 1H), 6.29 (dt, J = 16.0, 6.8 Hz, 0.10H), 6.16 (dd, J = 16.0, 8.0 Hz, 0.50H), 6.01 (dd, J = 16.0, 8.8 Hz, 0.40H), 2.37–2.27 (m, 0.5H), 2.26–2.24 (m, 0.1H), 2.13–2.07 (m, 0.4H), 1.55–1.33 (m, 6H), 1.13 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 1.5H), 0.97–0.93 (m, 4.5H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz) δ 138.0, 137.1, 135.6, 129.7, 128.5, 128.0, 126.8, 126.7, 126.0, 44.9, 37.4, 37.3, 36.9, 29.7, 28.2, 22.9, 20.7, 20.5, 14.2, 14.1, 11.9.

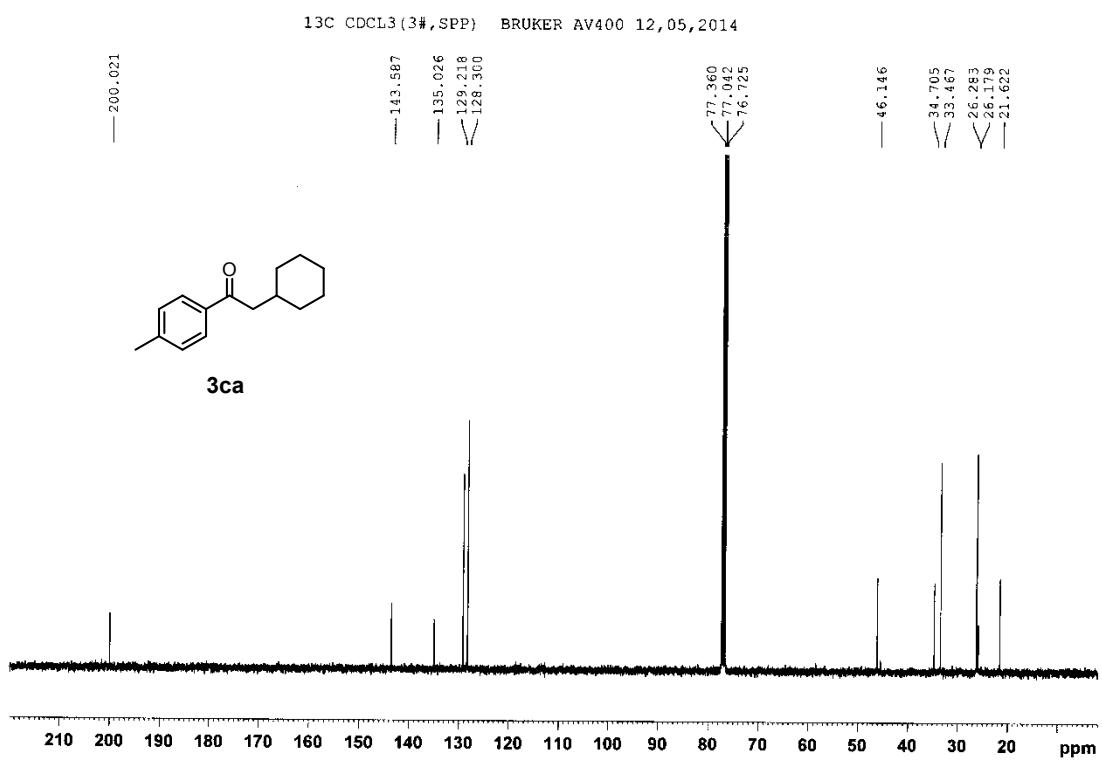
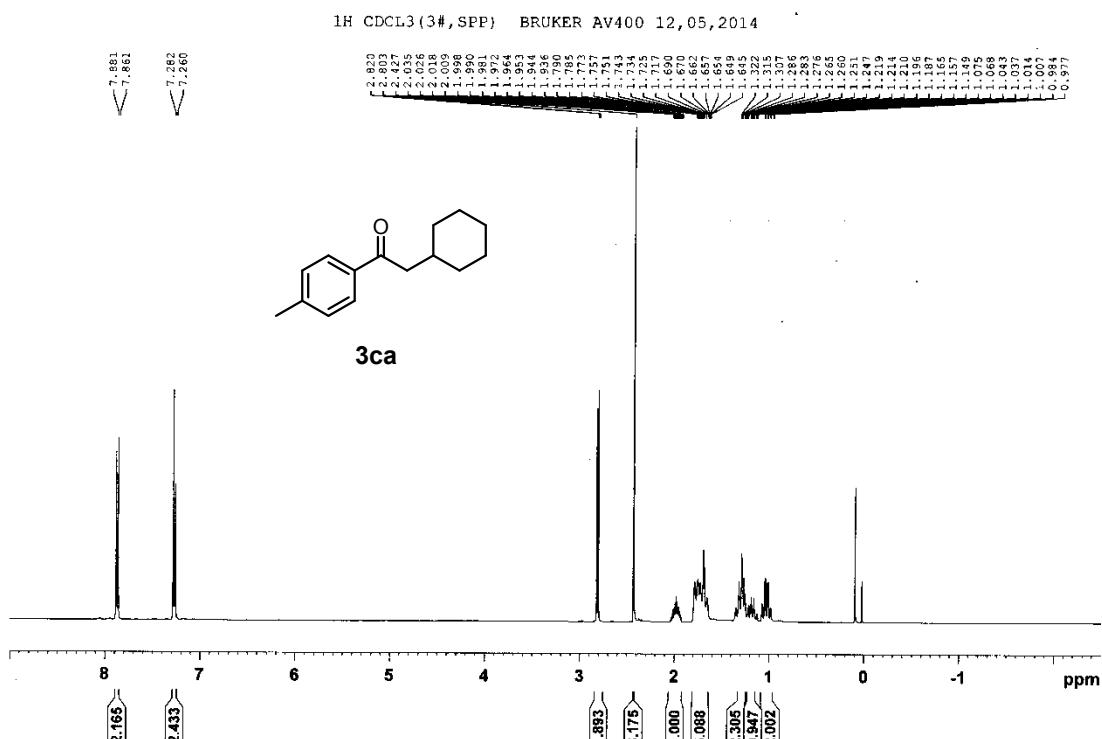
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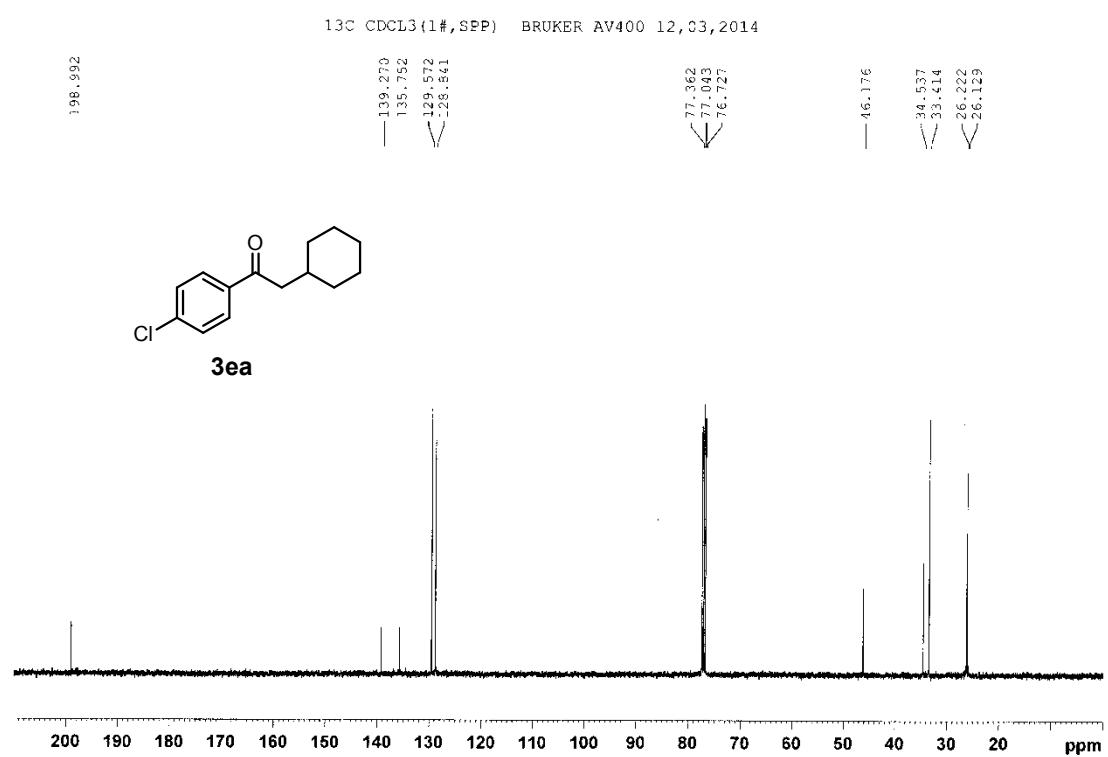
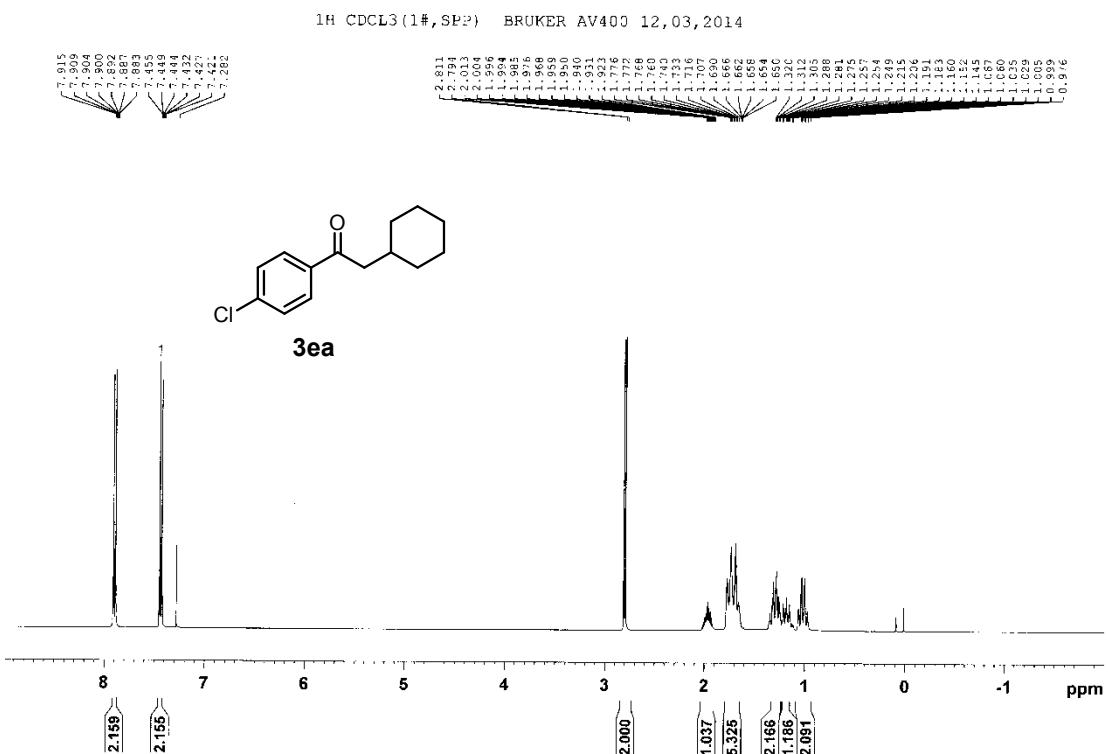
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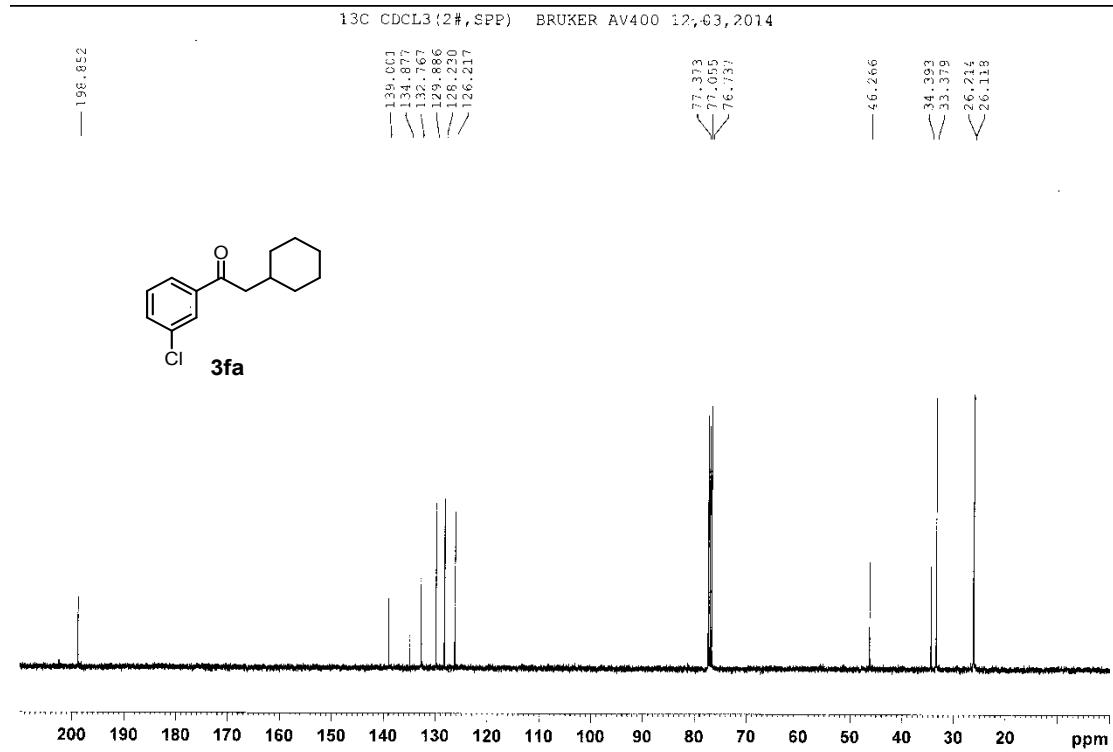
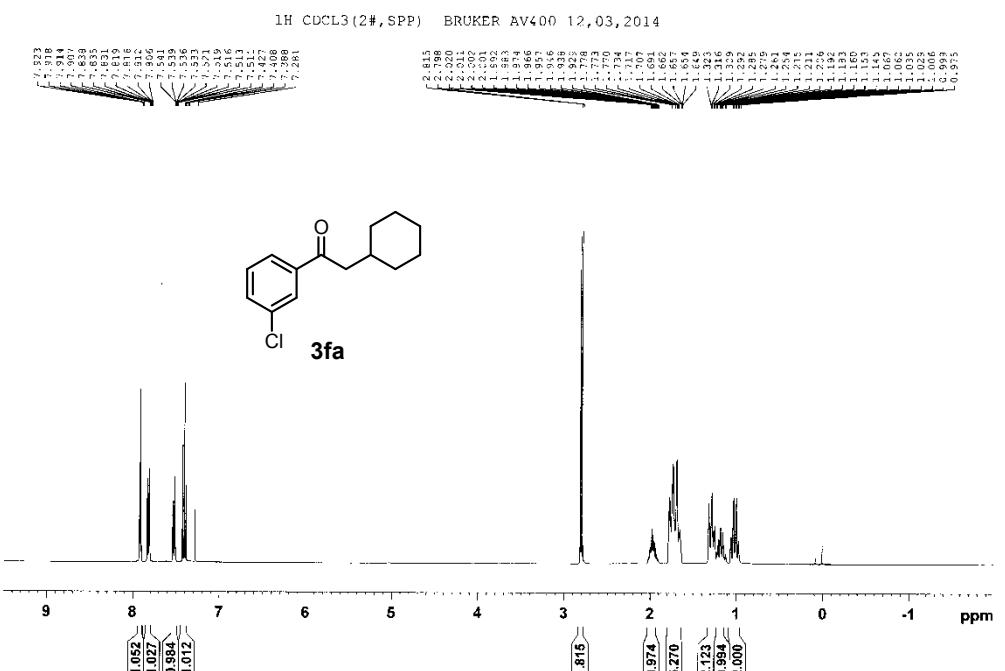
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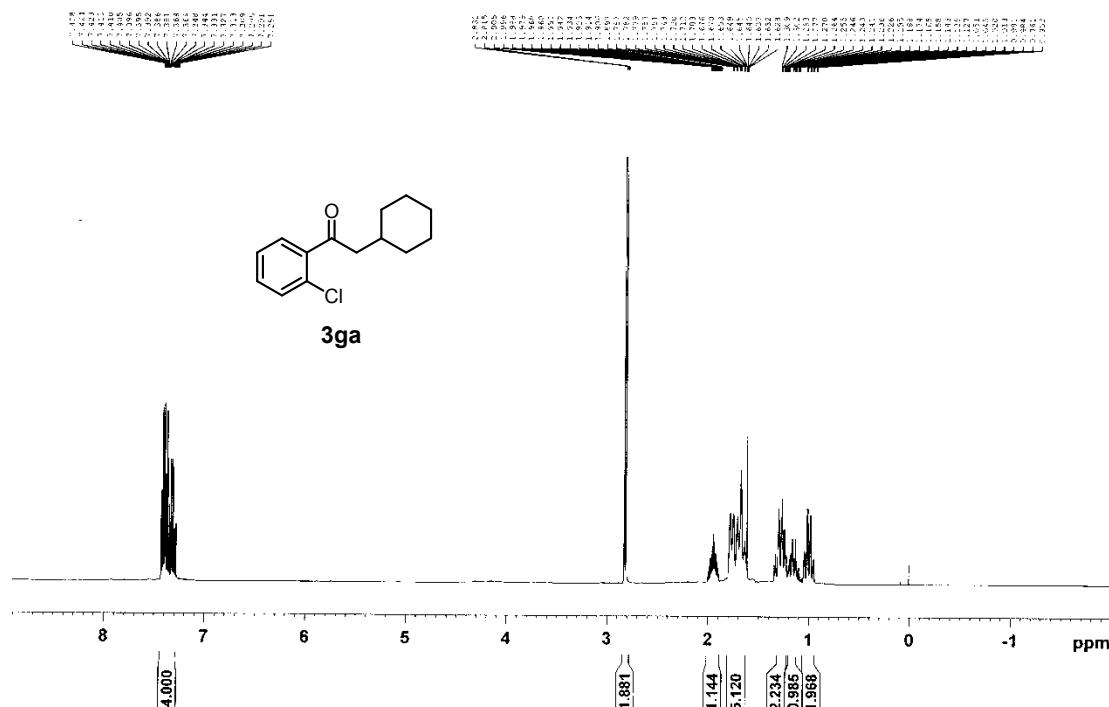




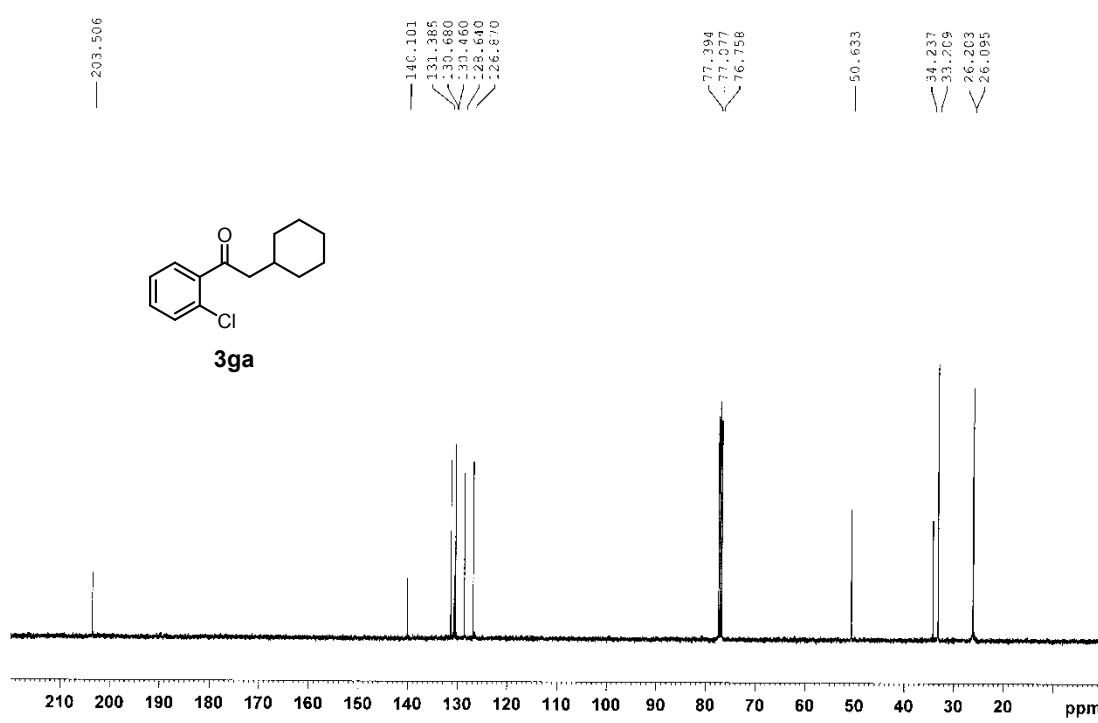


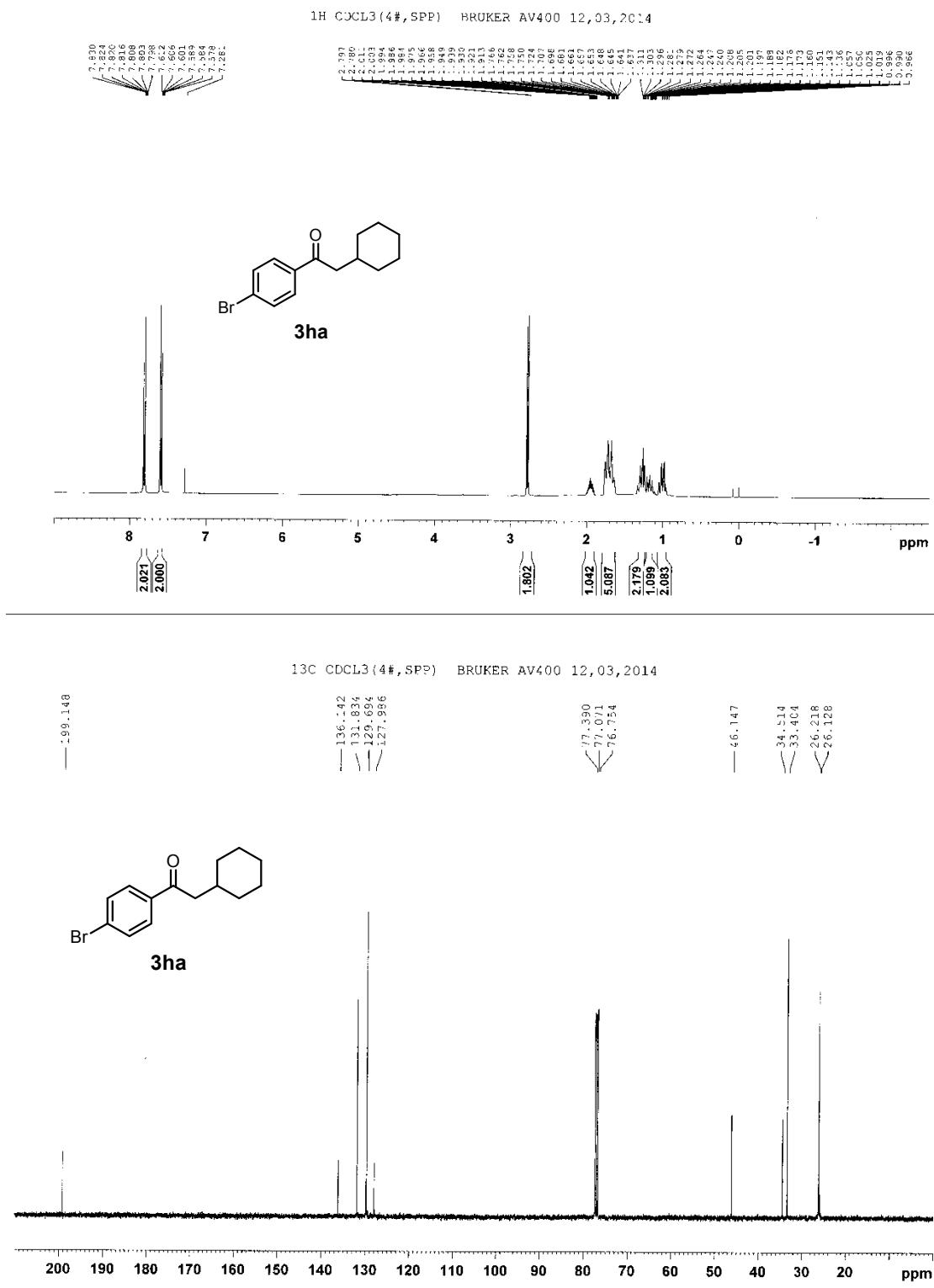


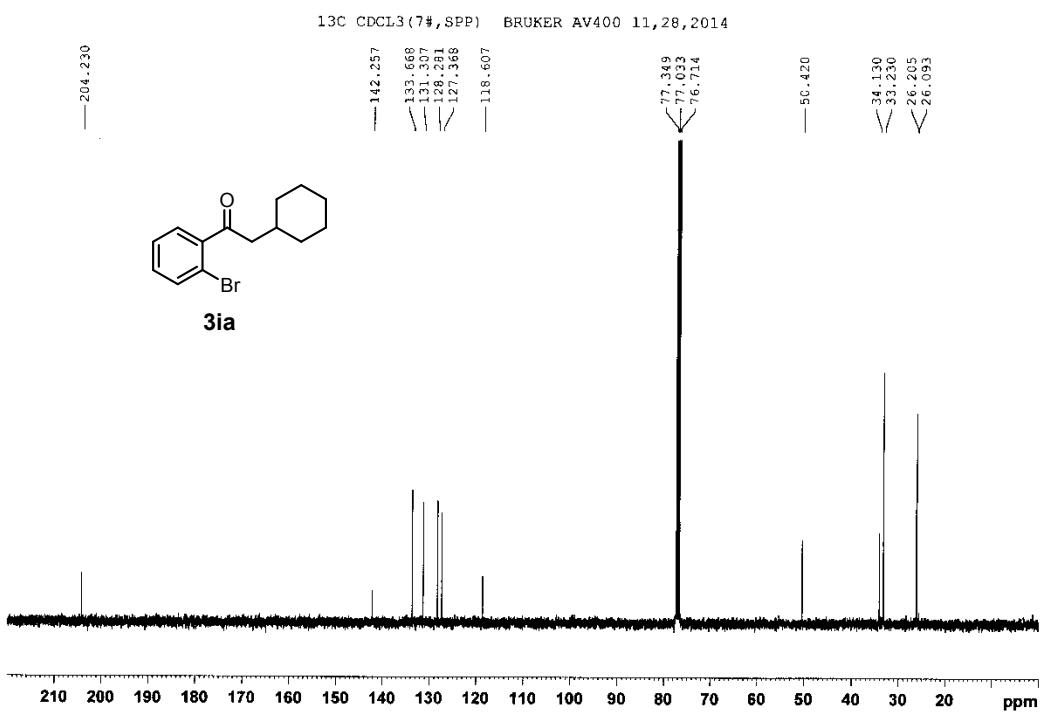
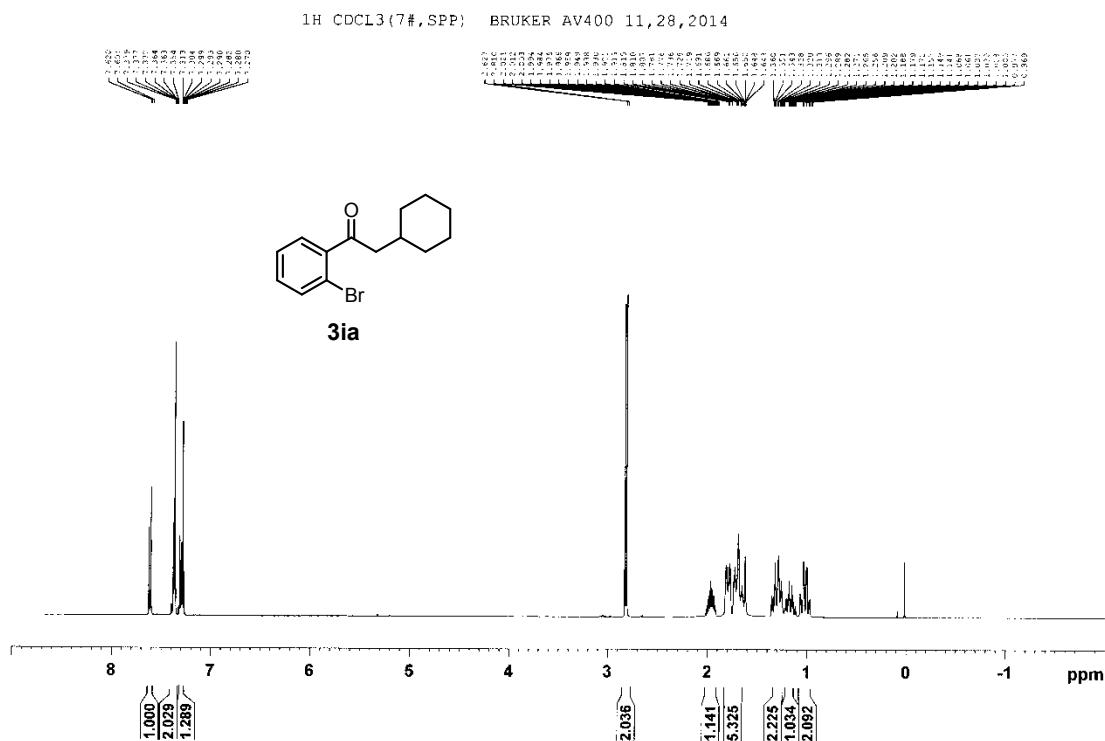
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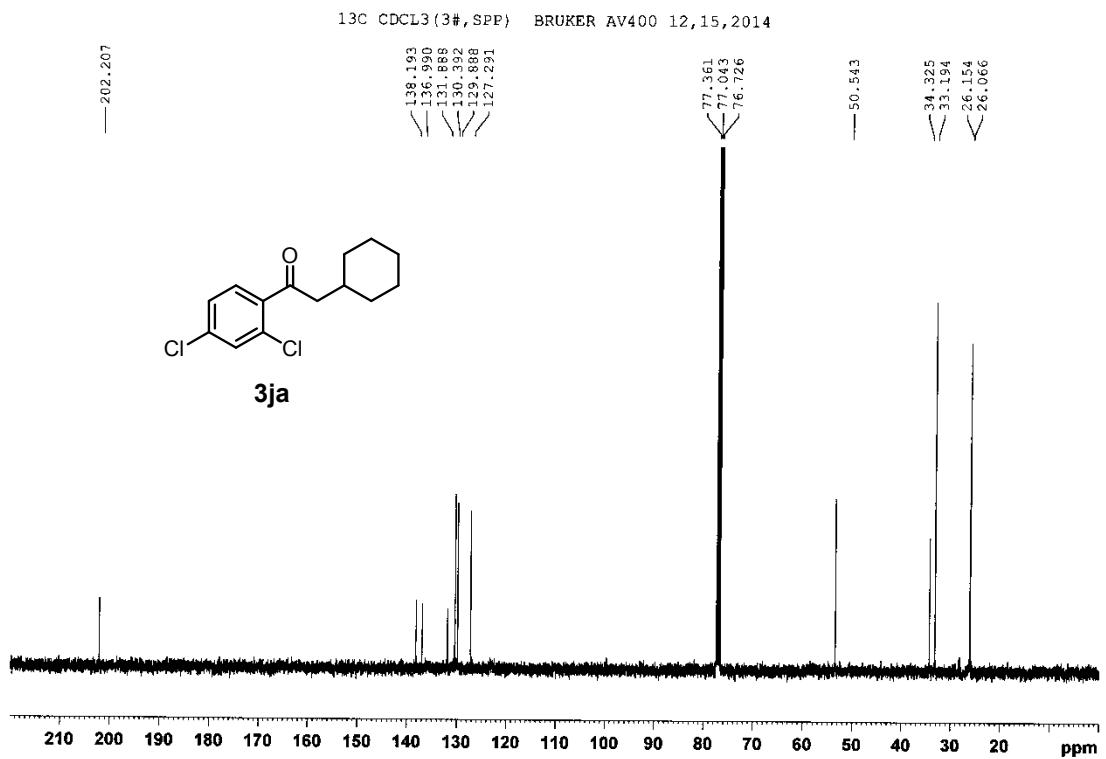
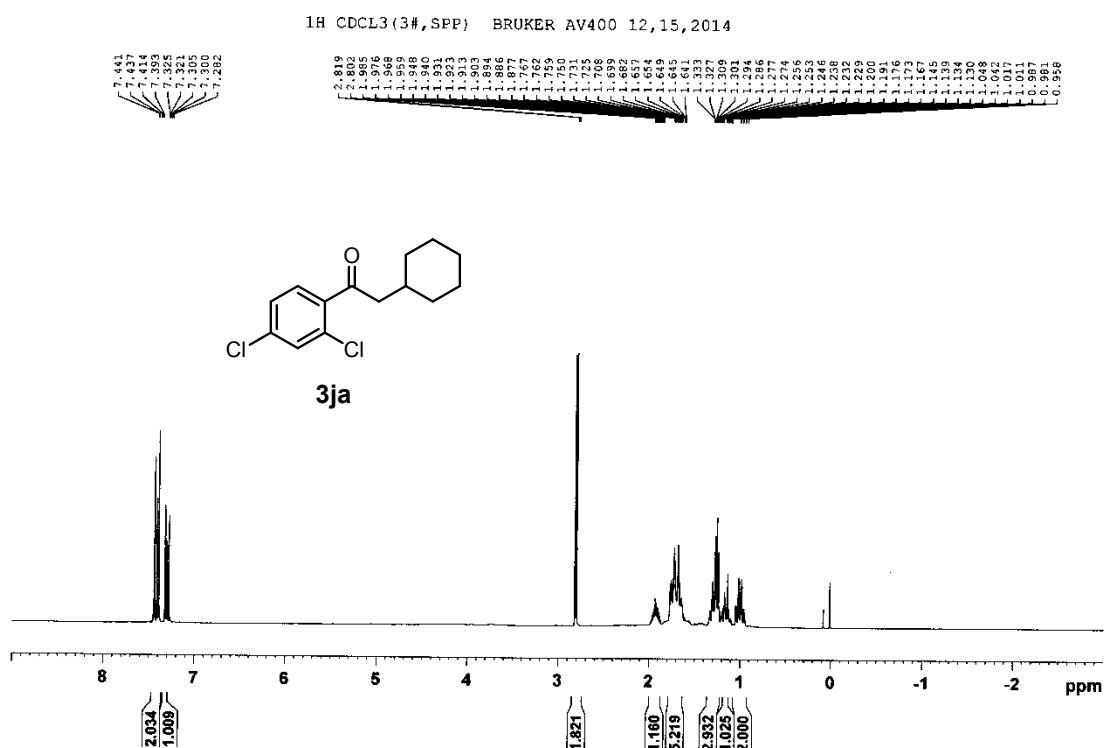


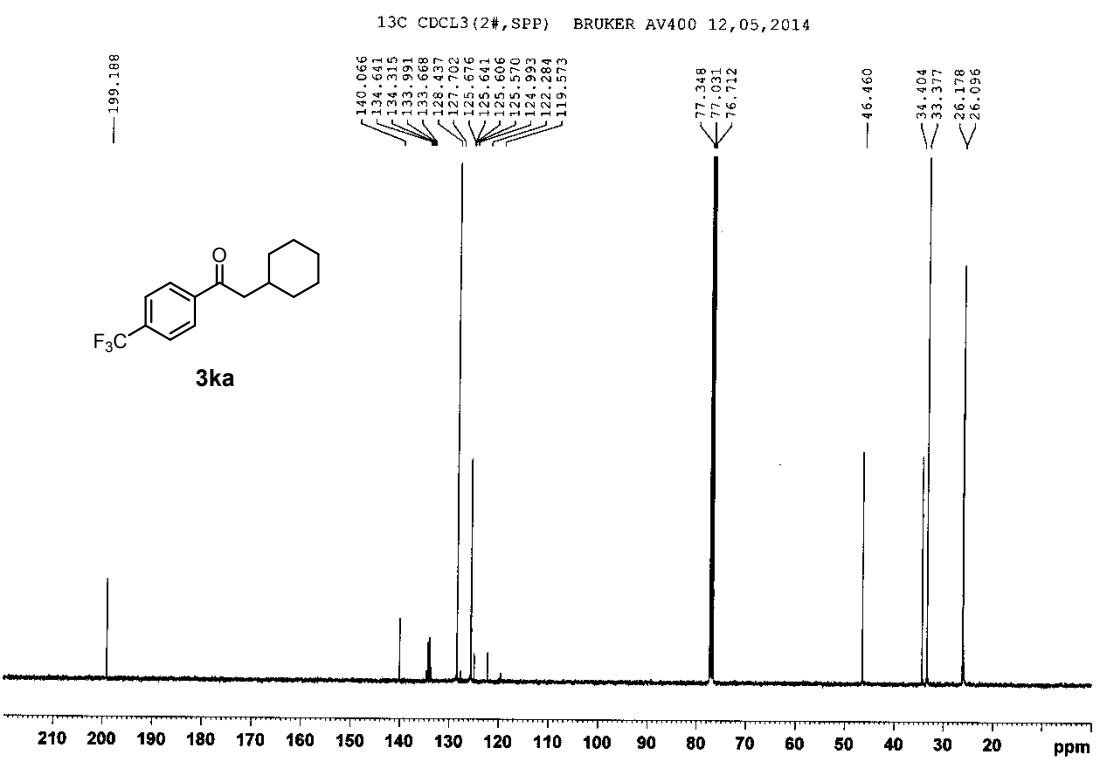
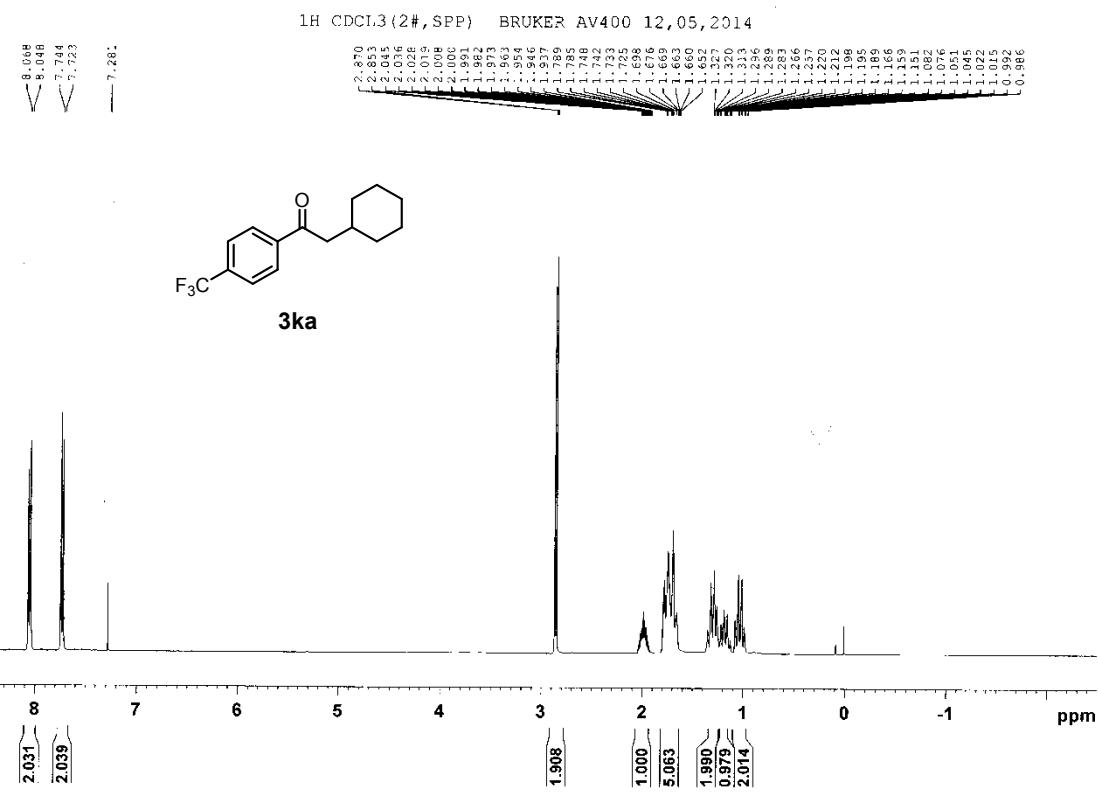
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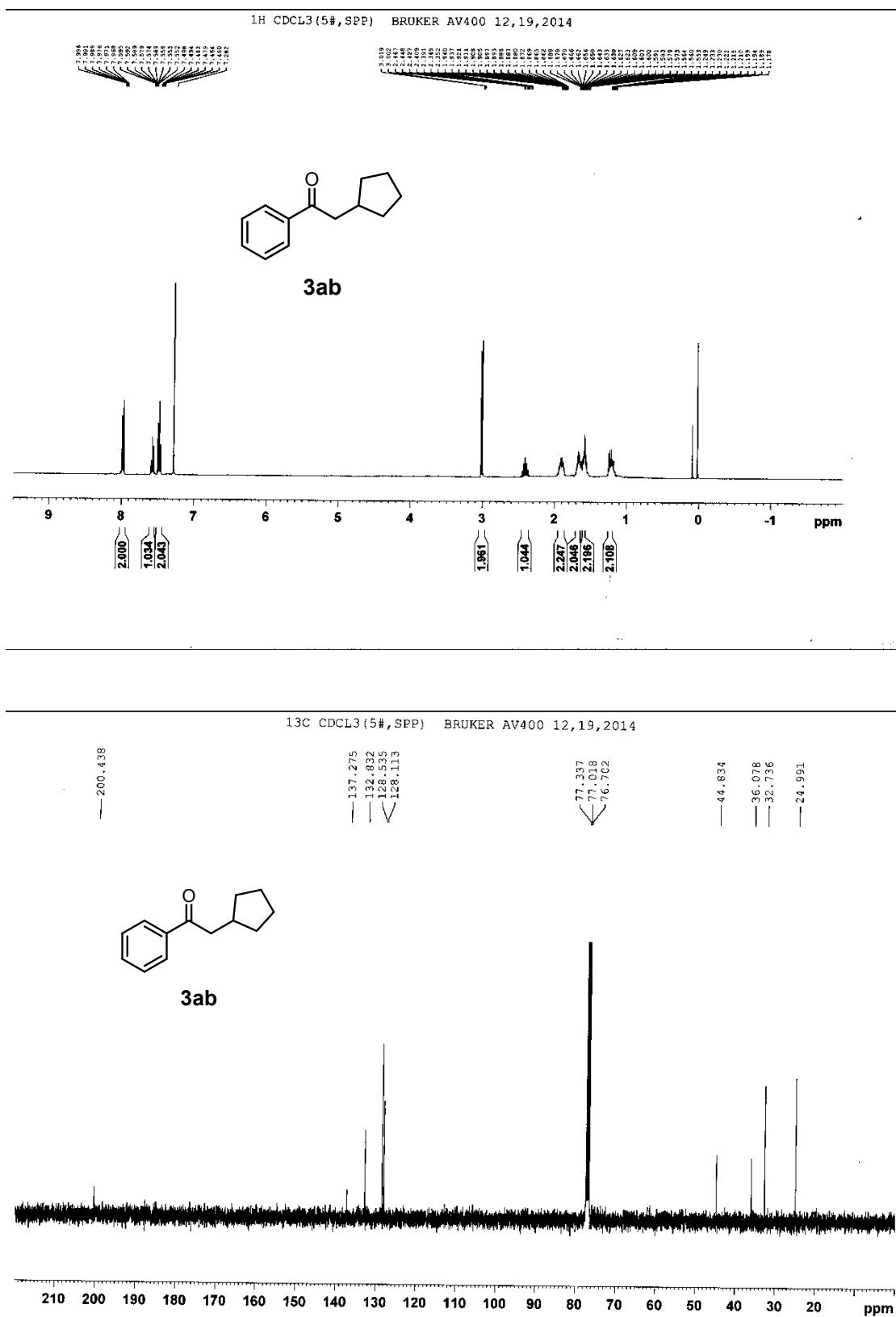


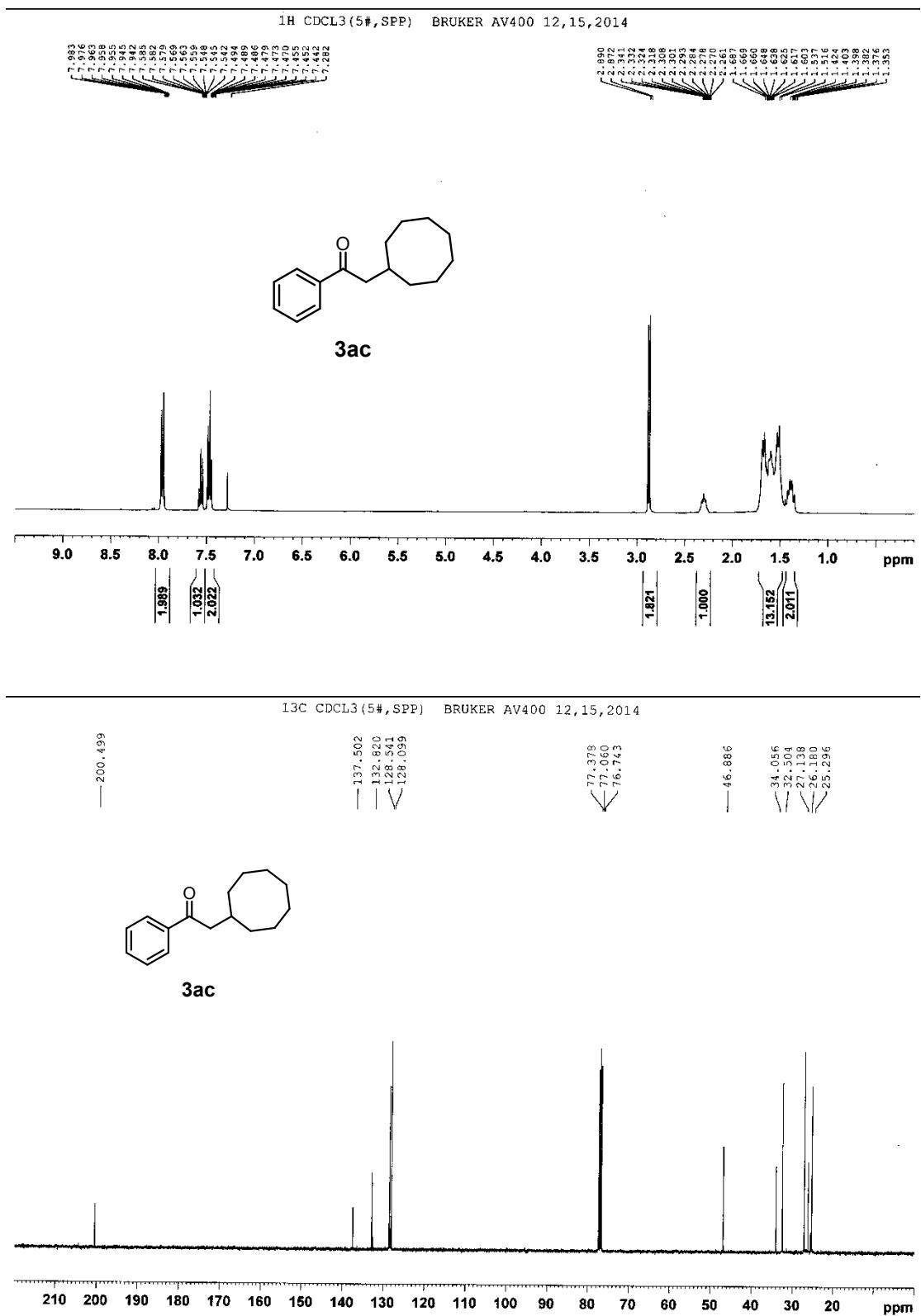


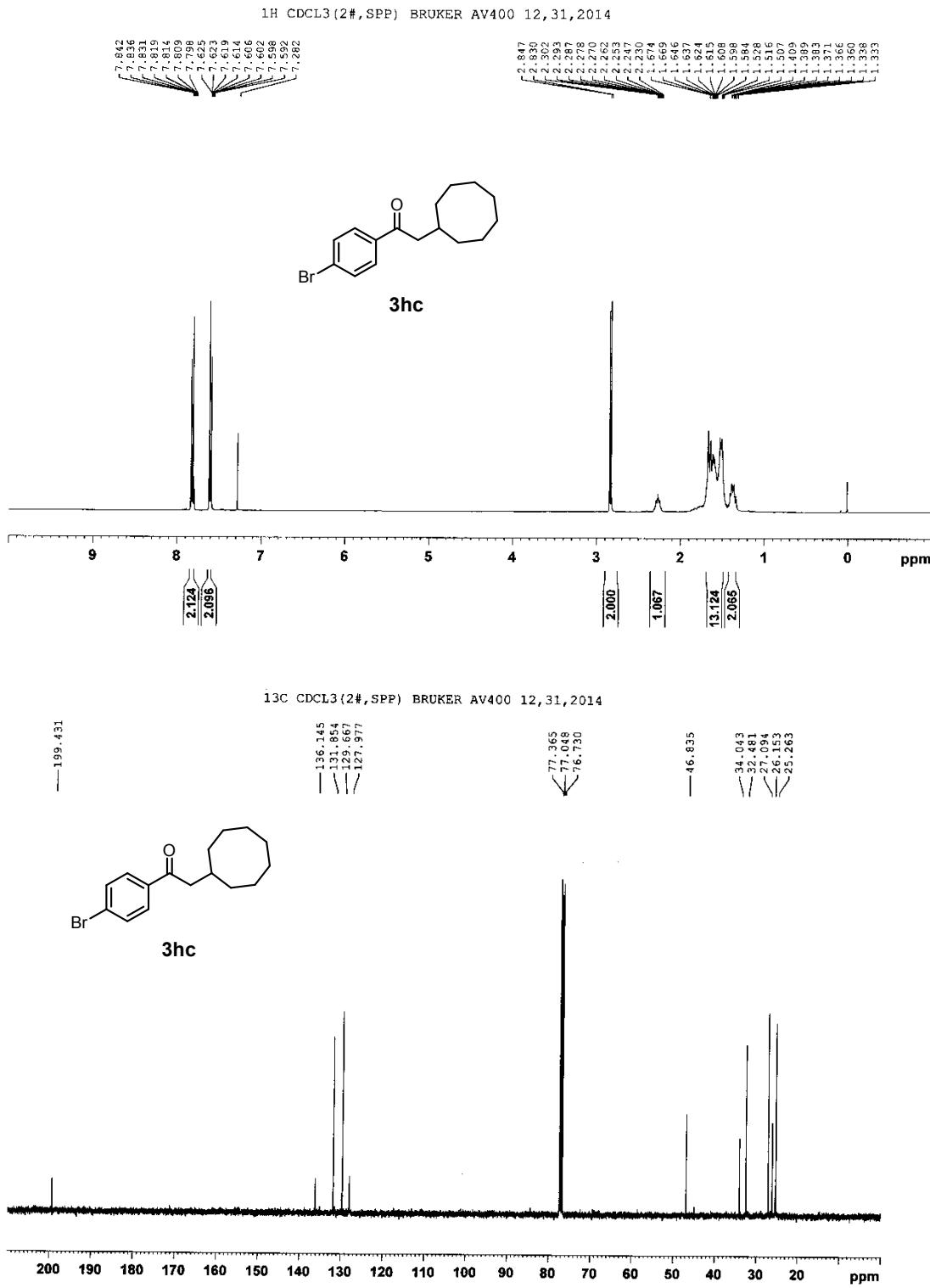


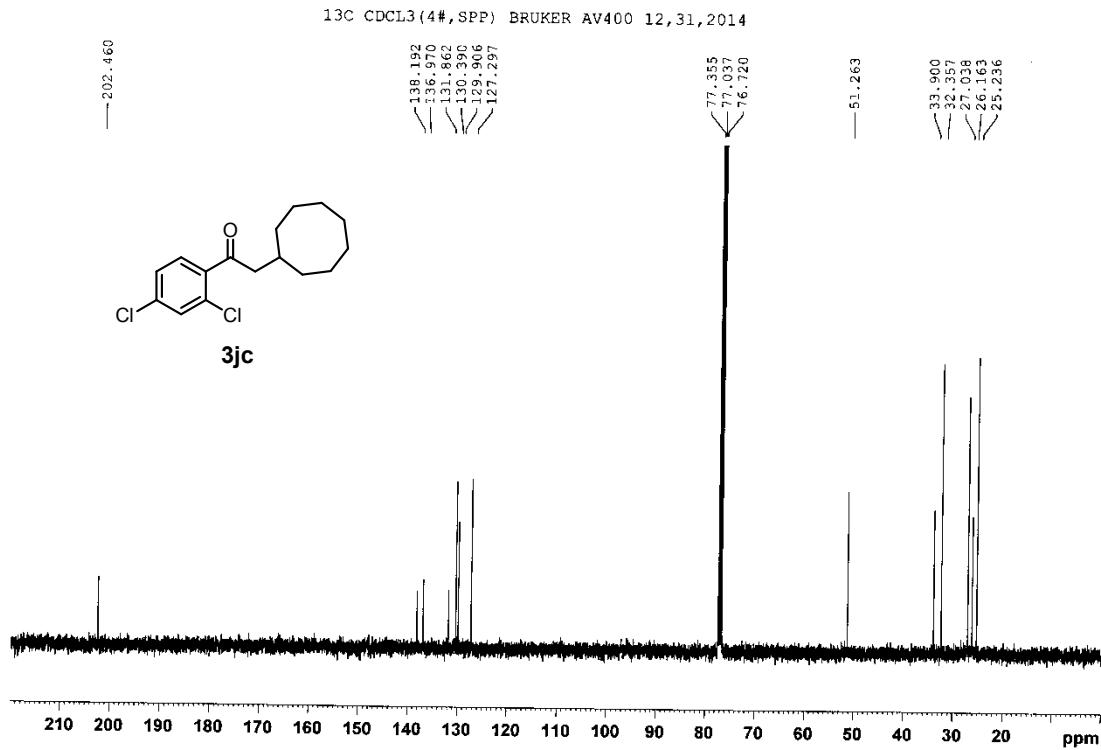
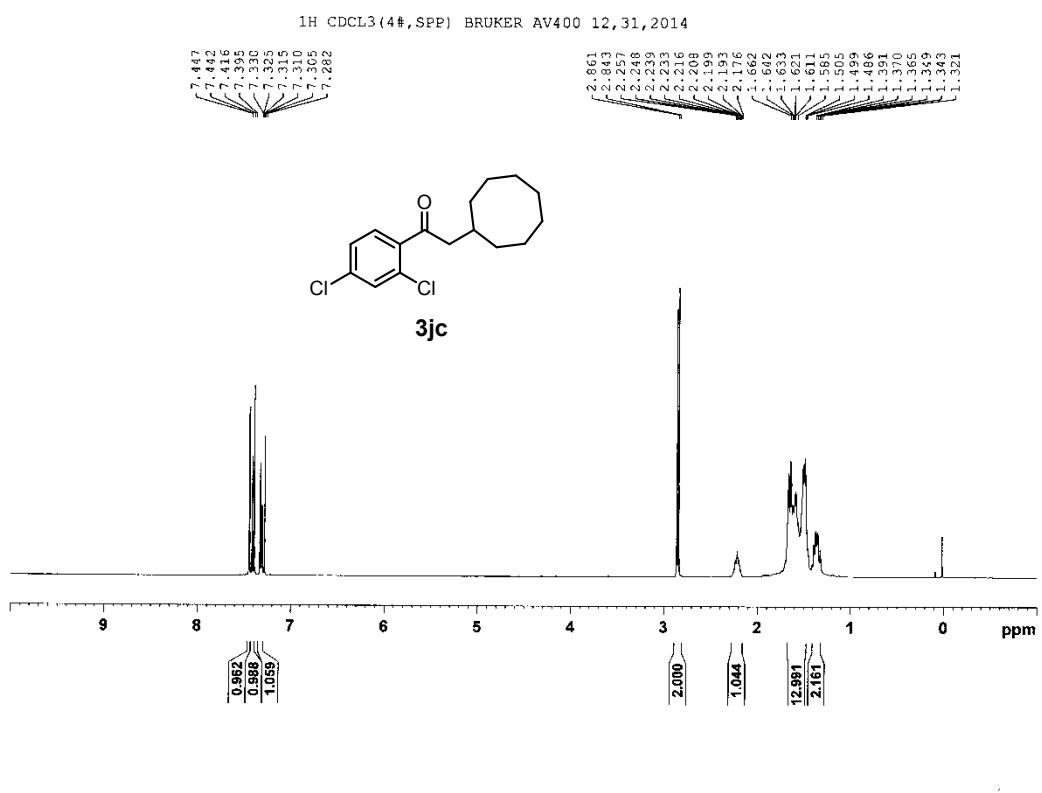


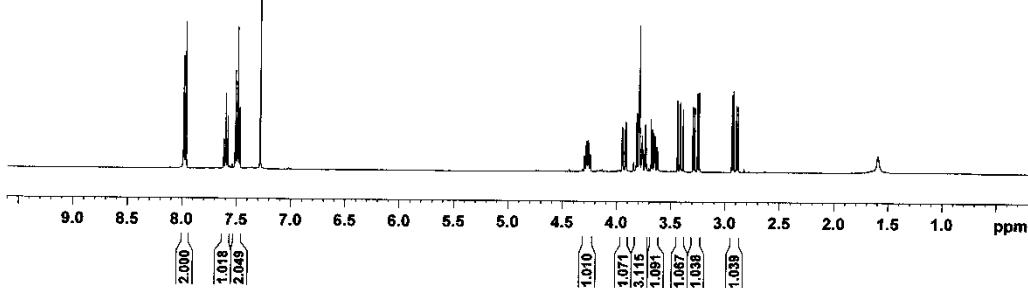
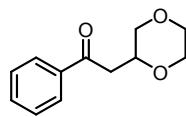
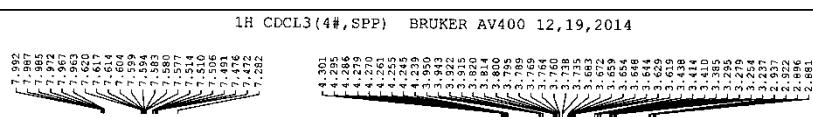




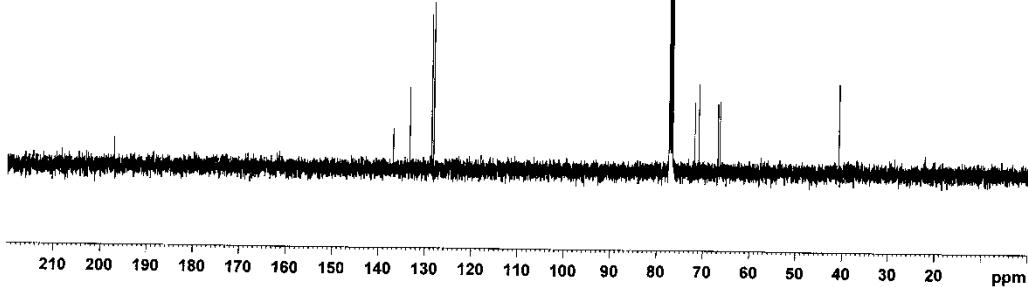
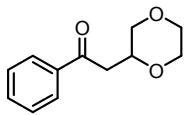
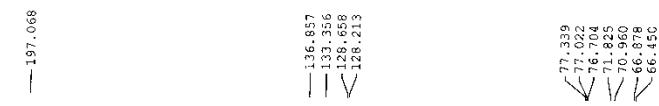


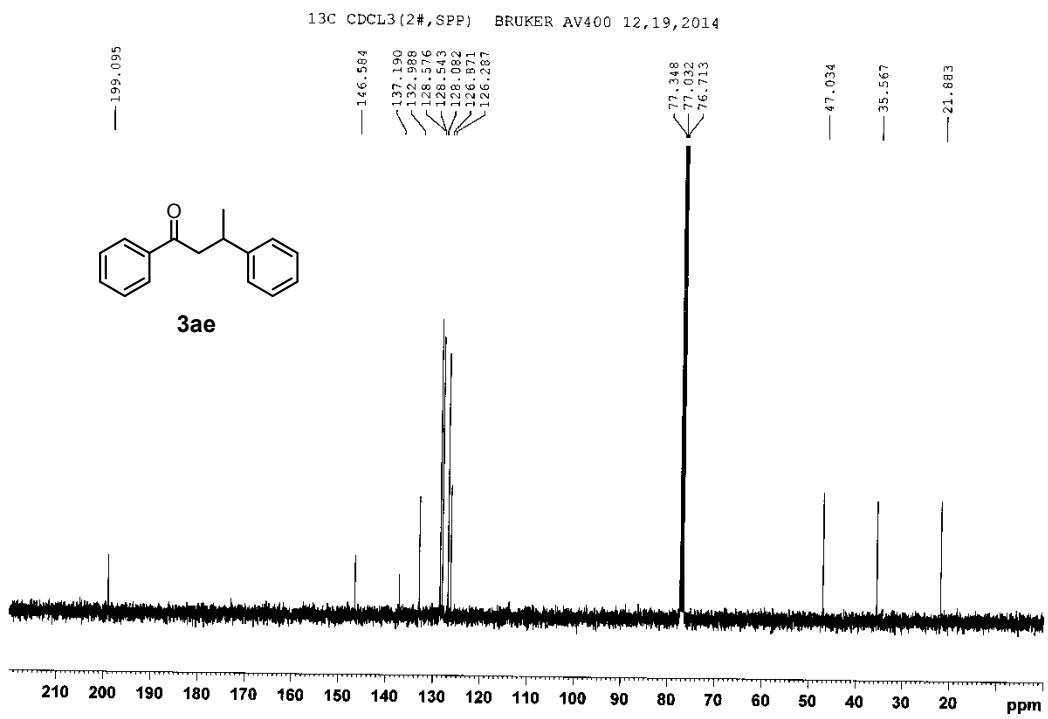
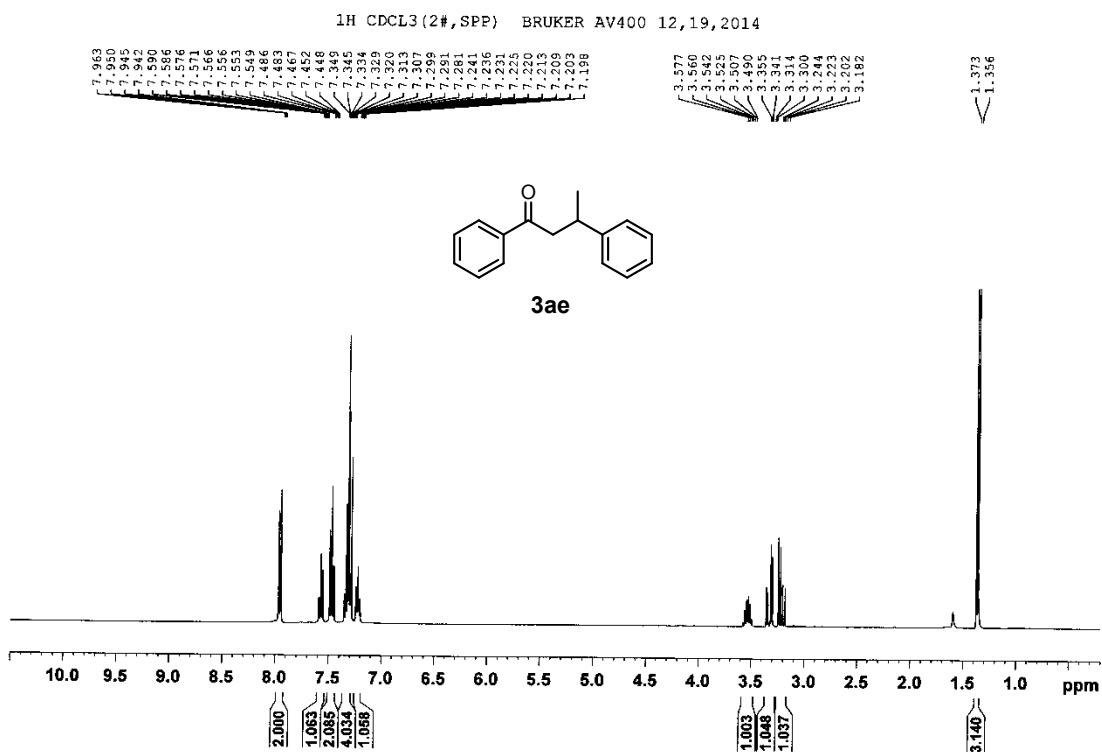




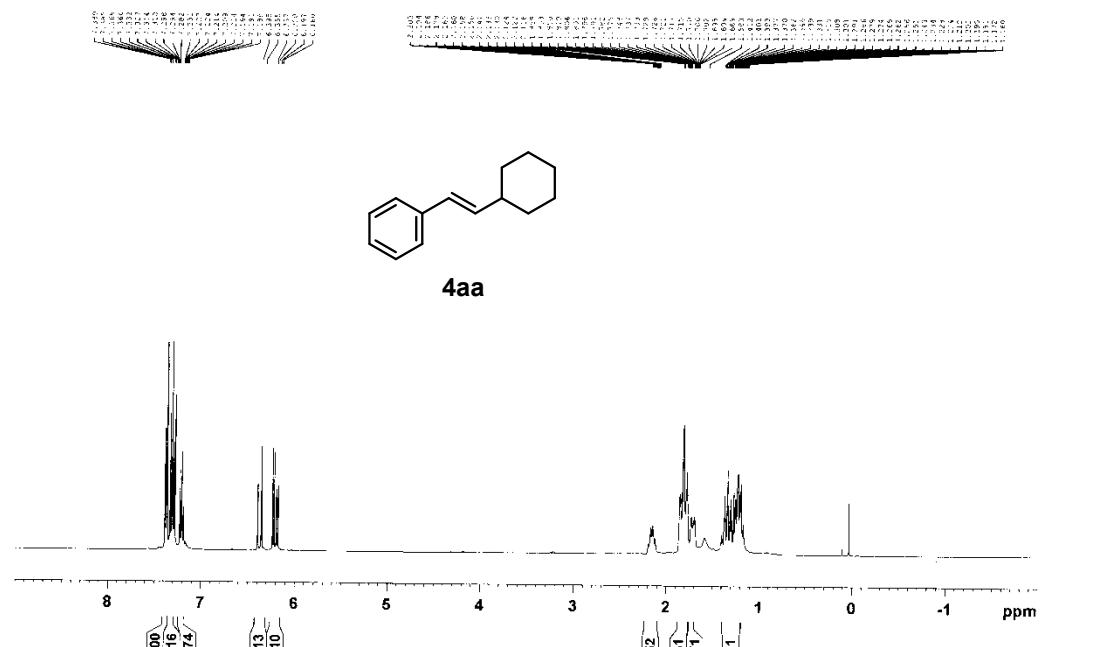


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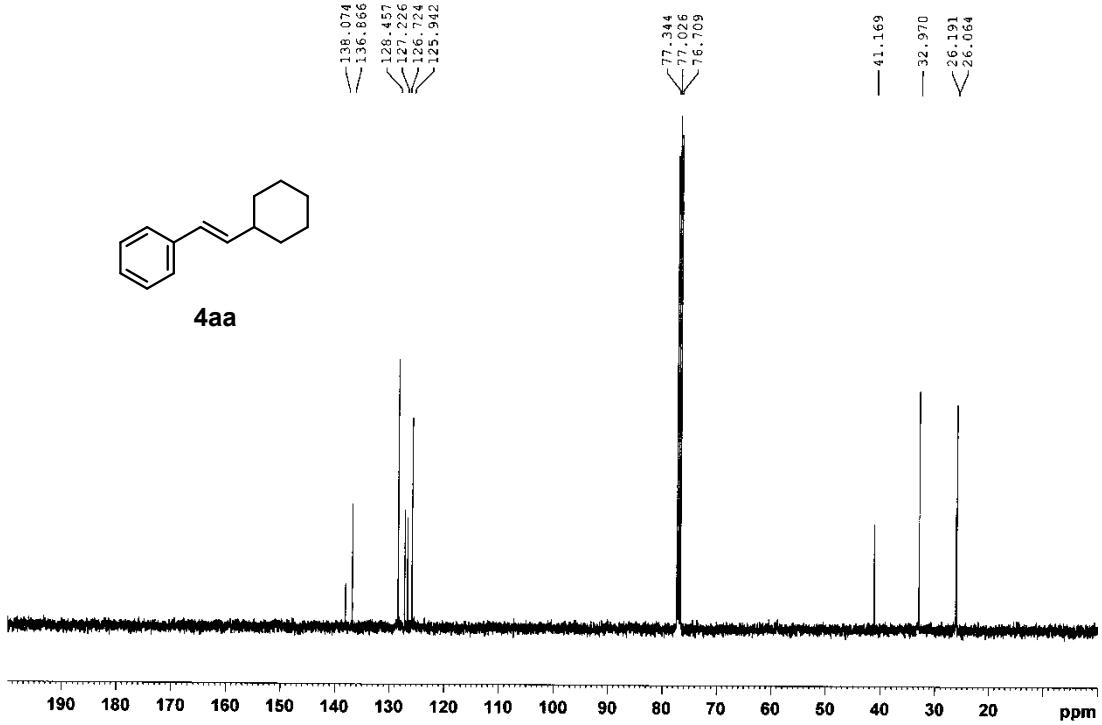


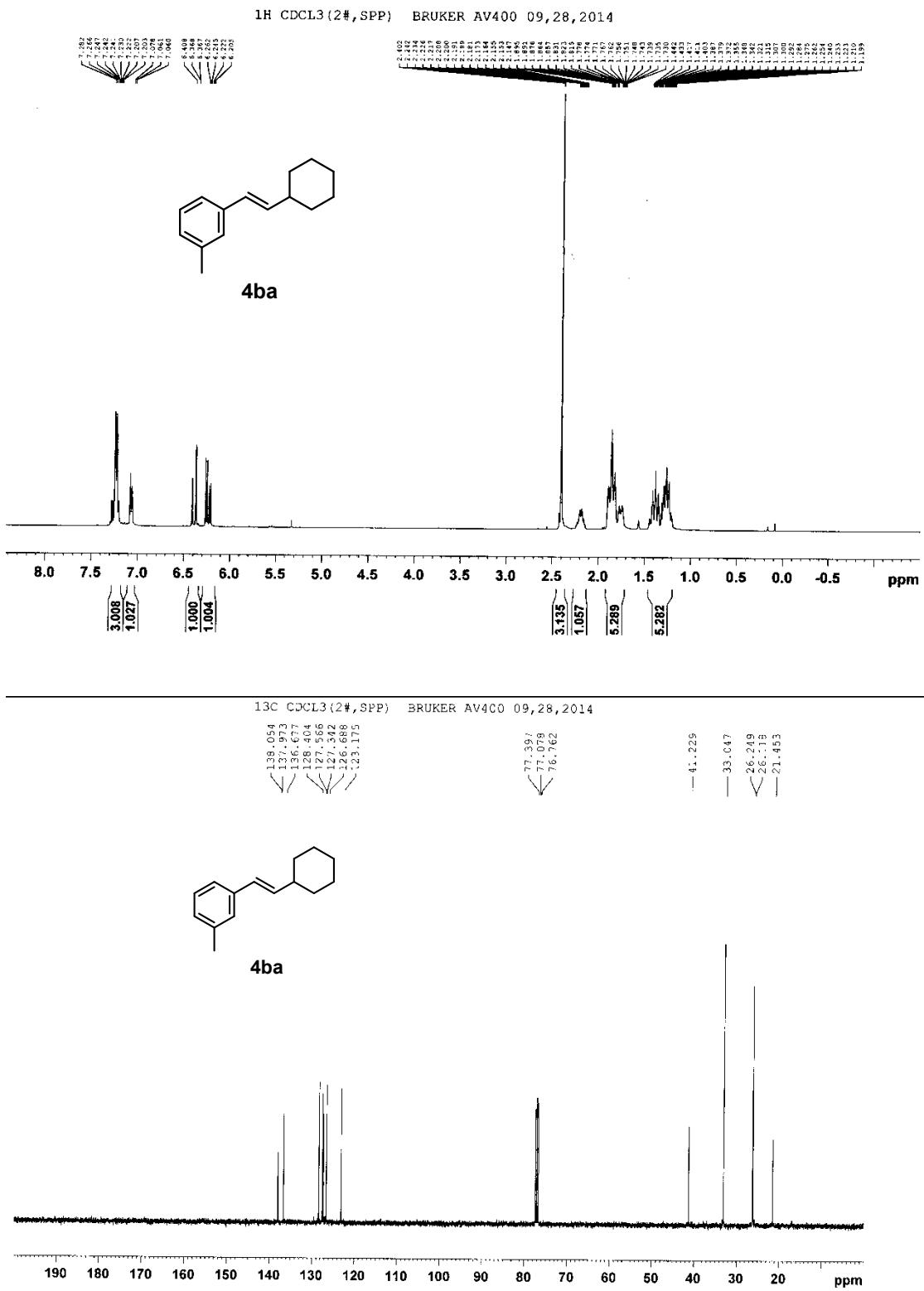


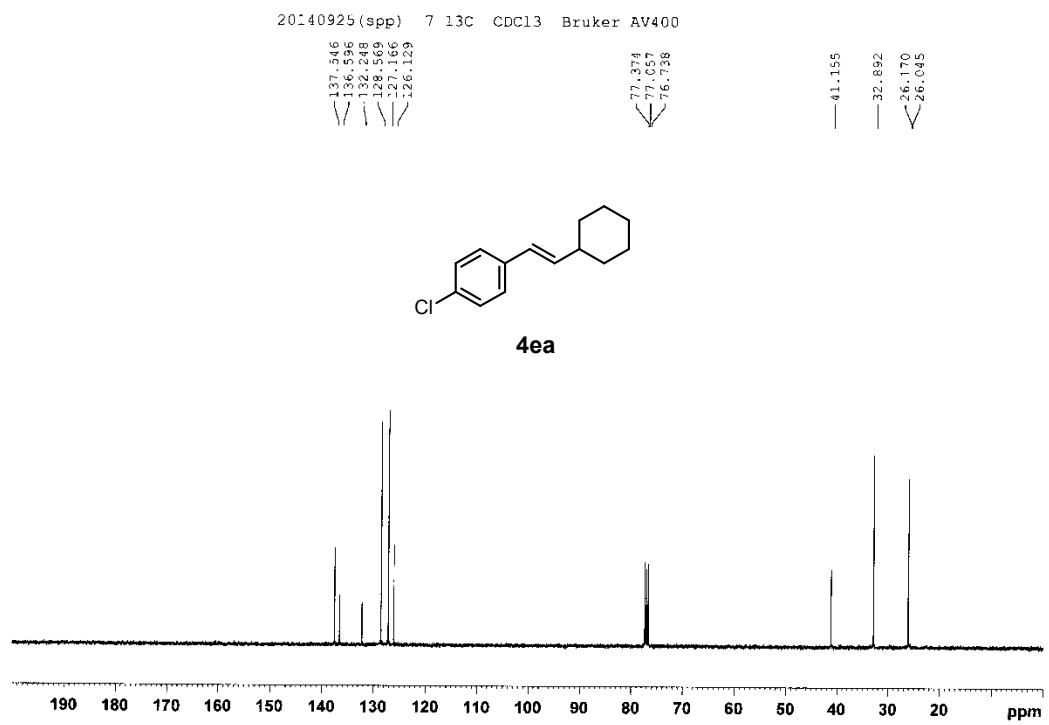
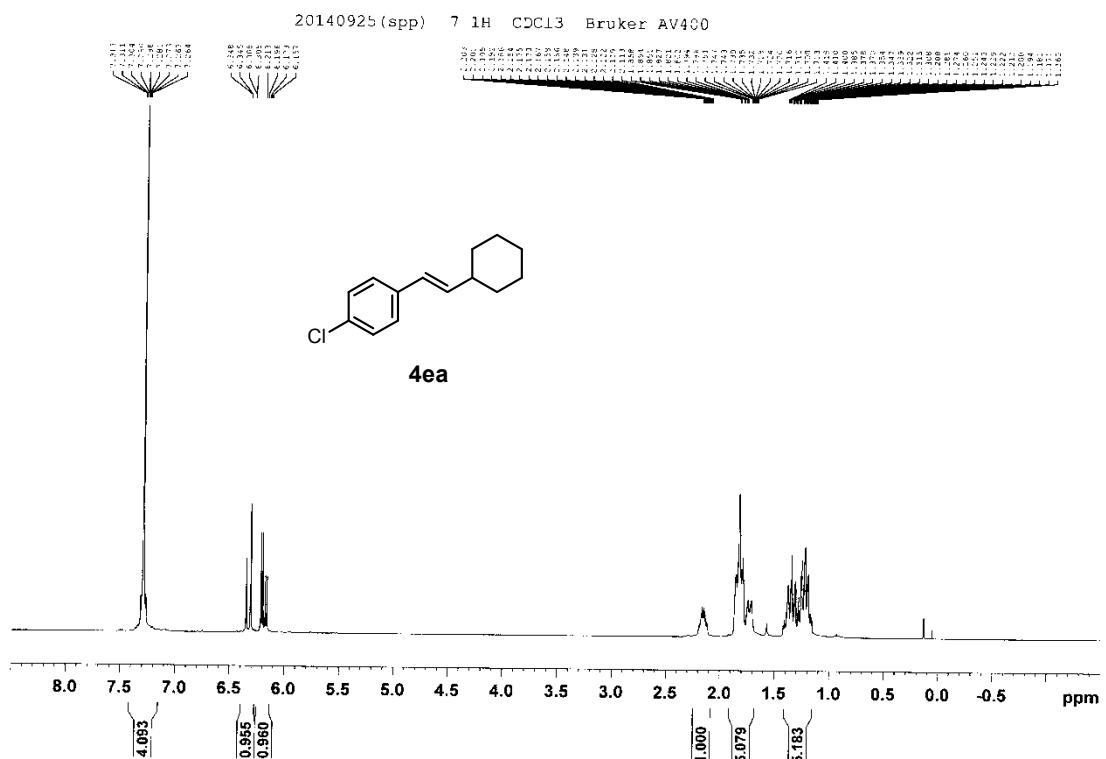
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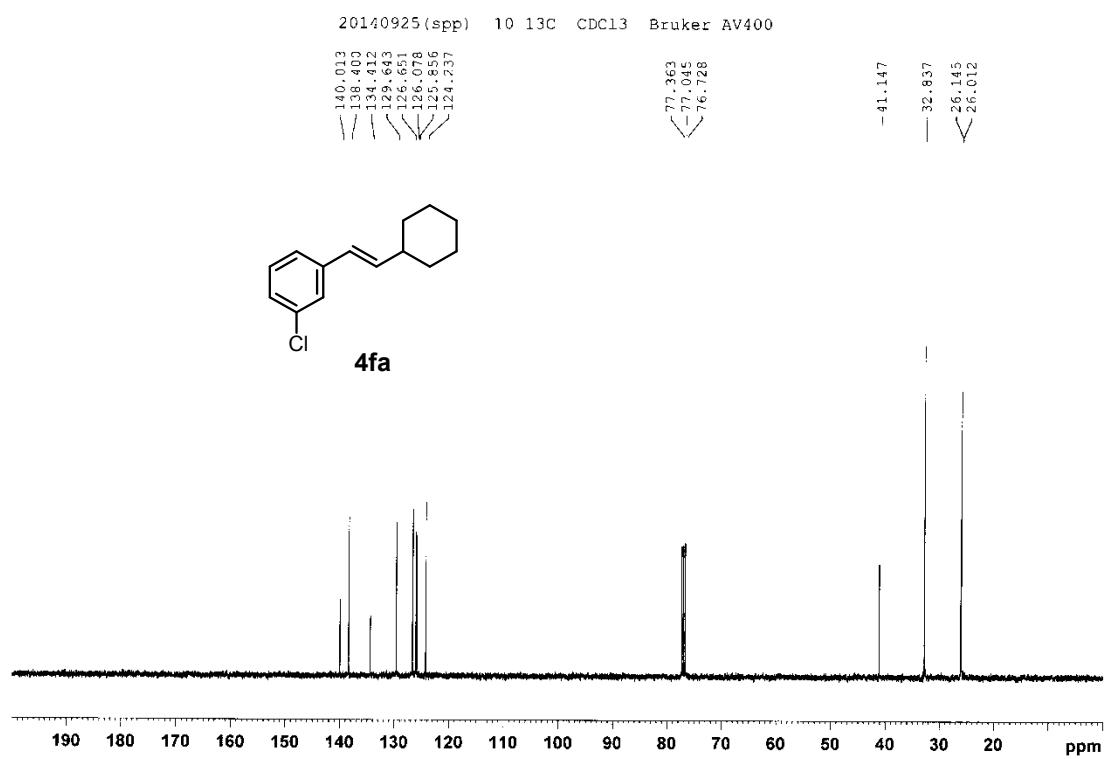
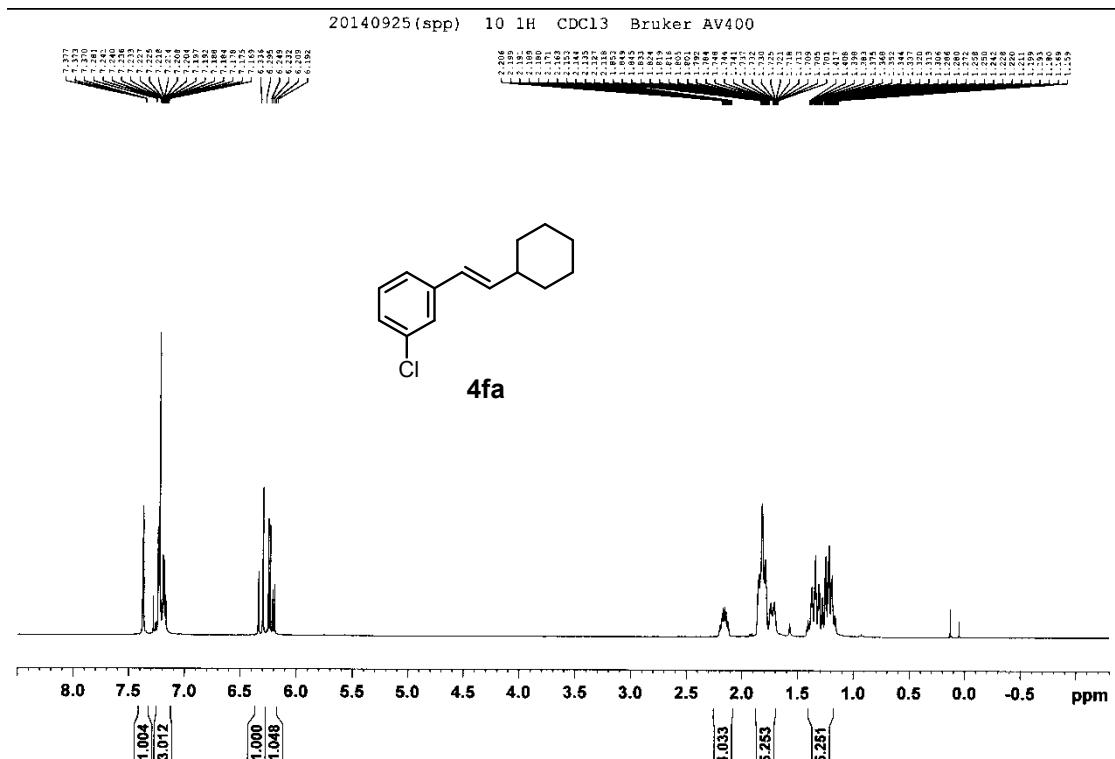


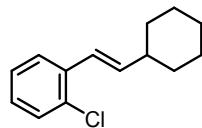
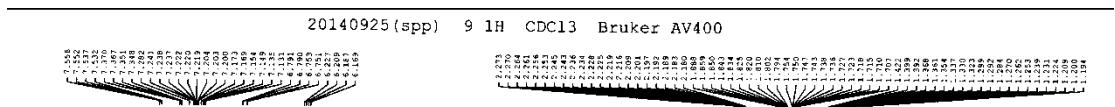
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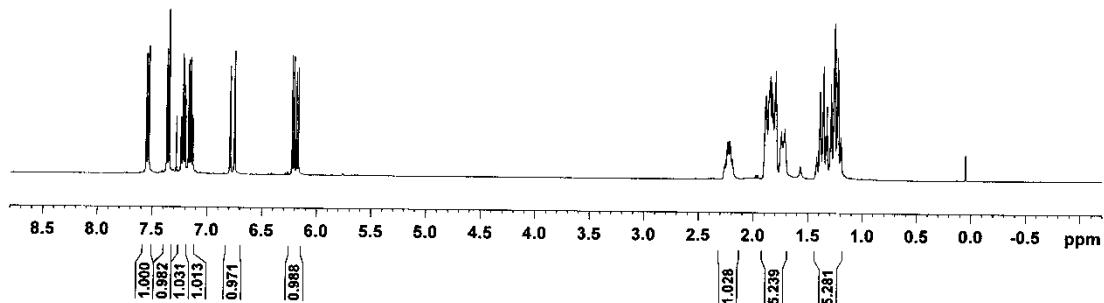




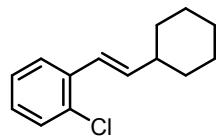




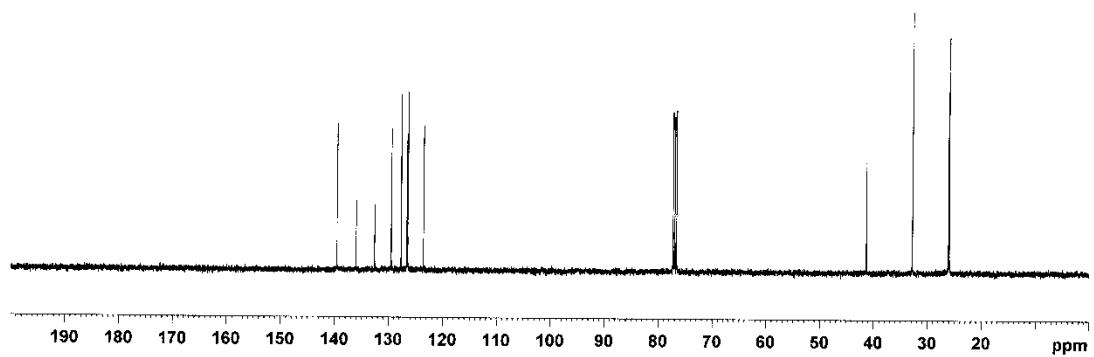
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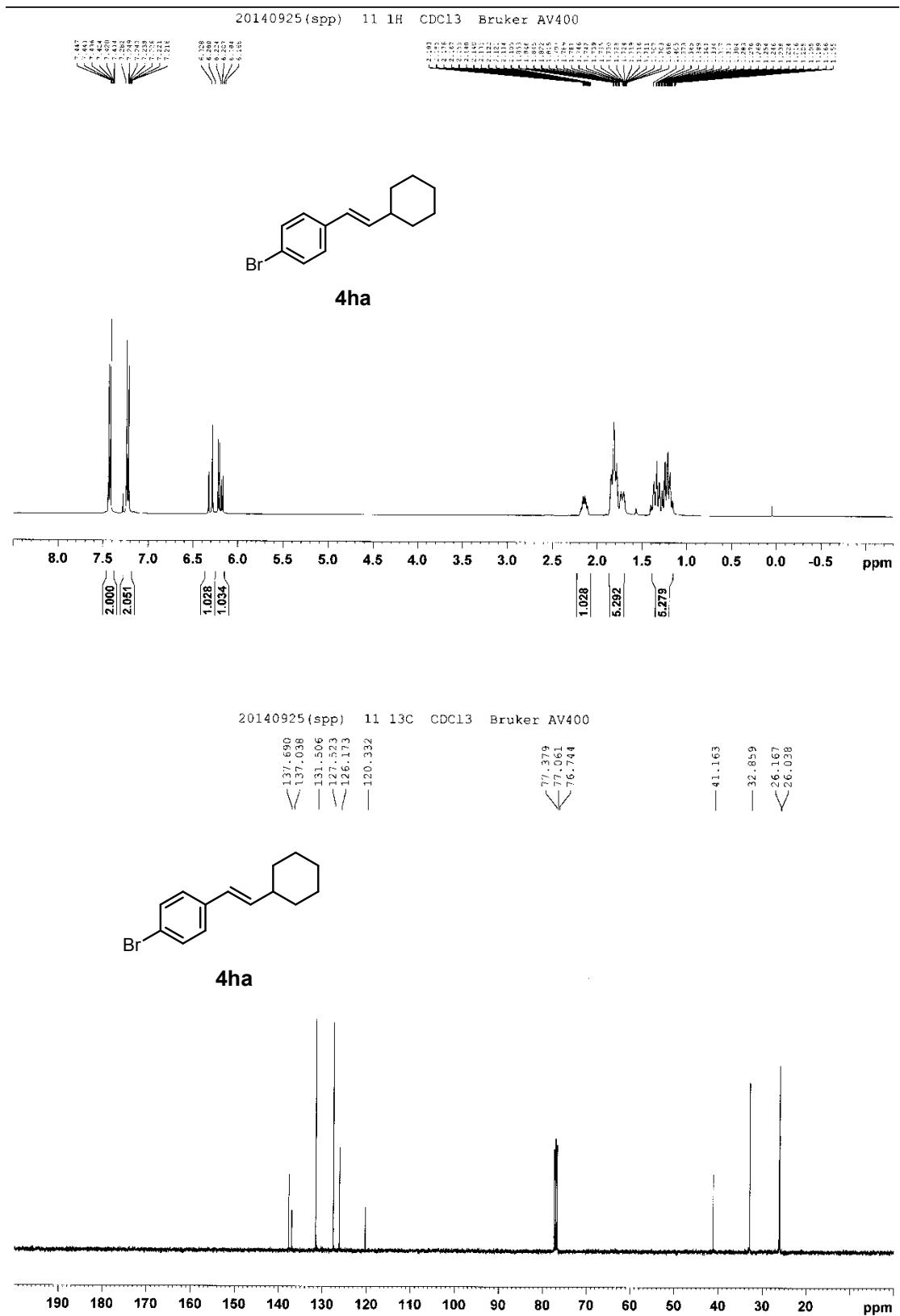


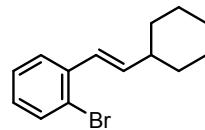
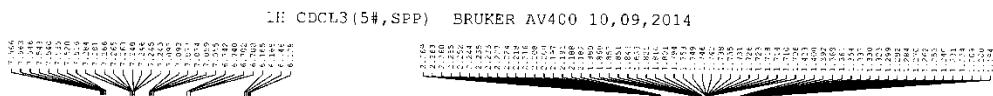
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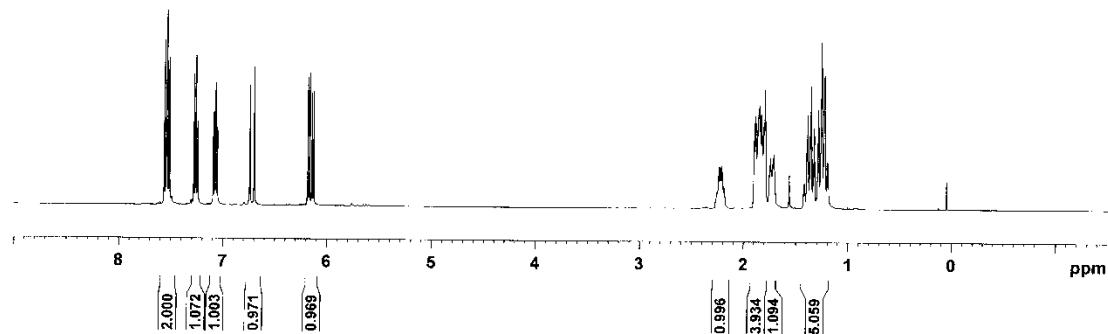
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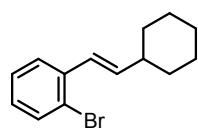
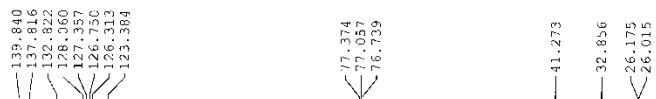




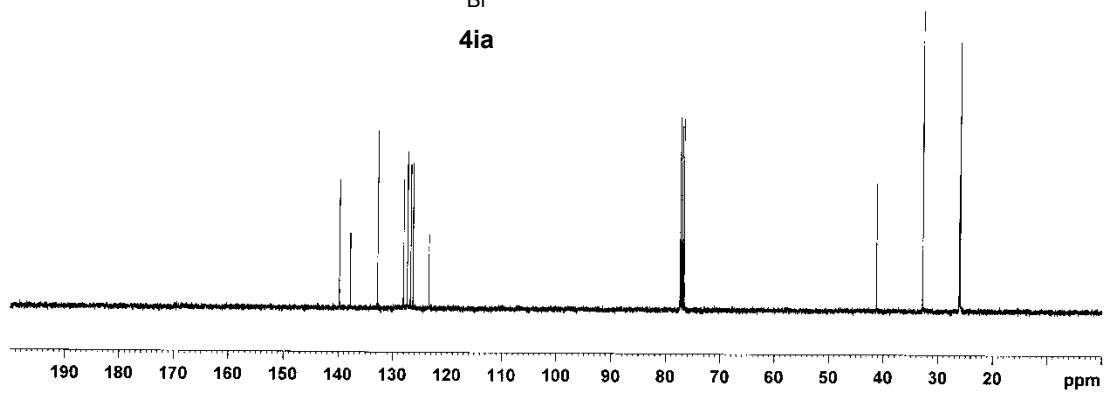
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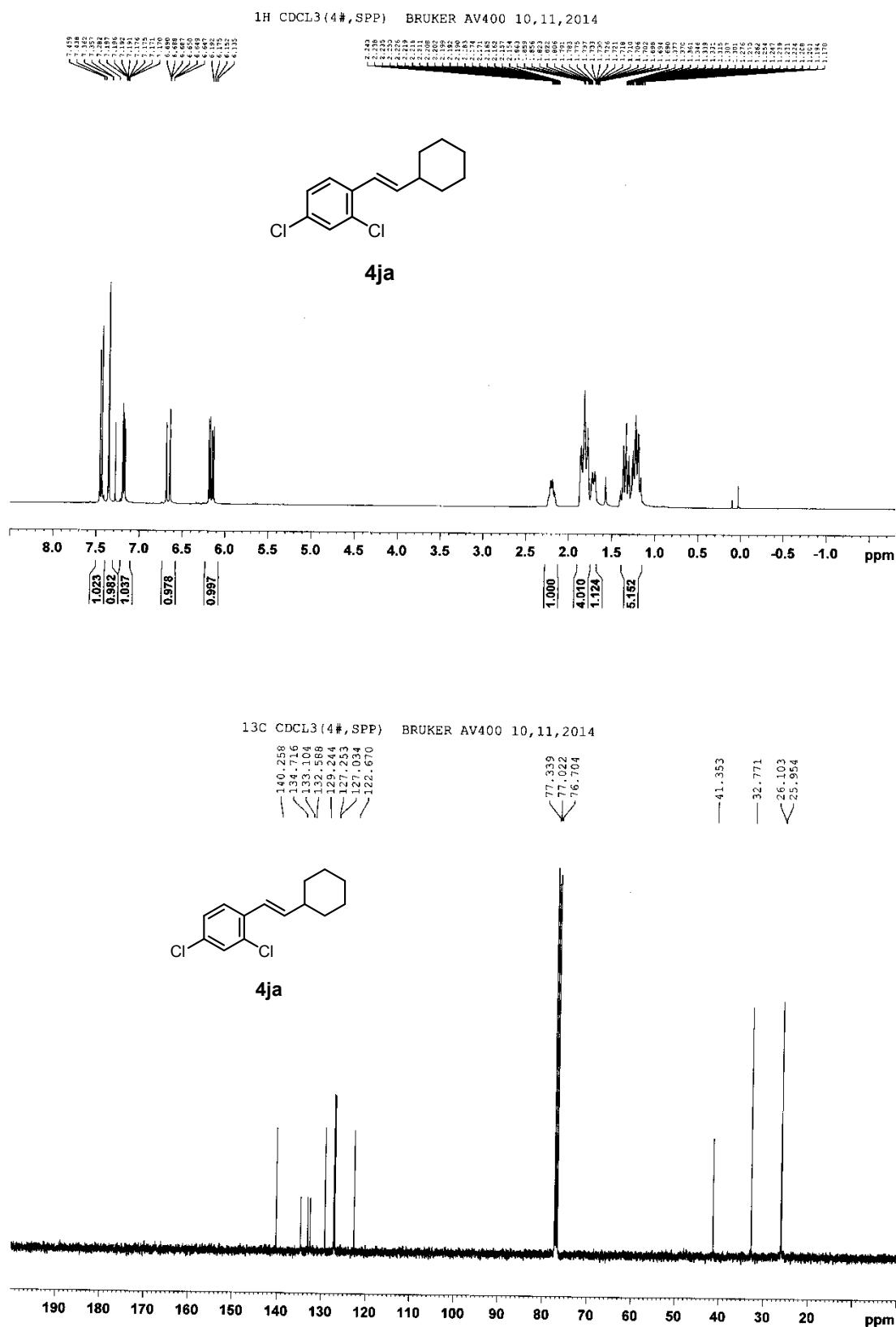


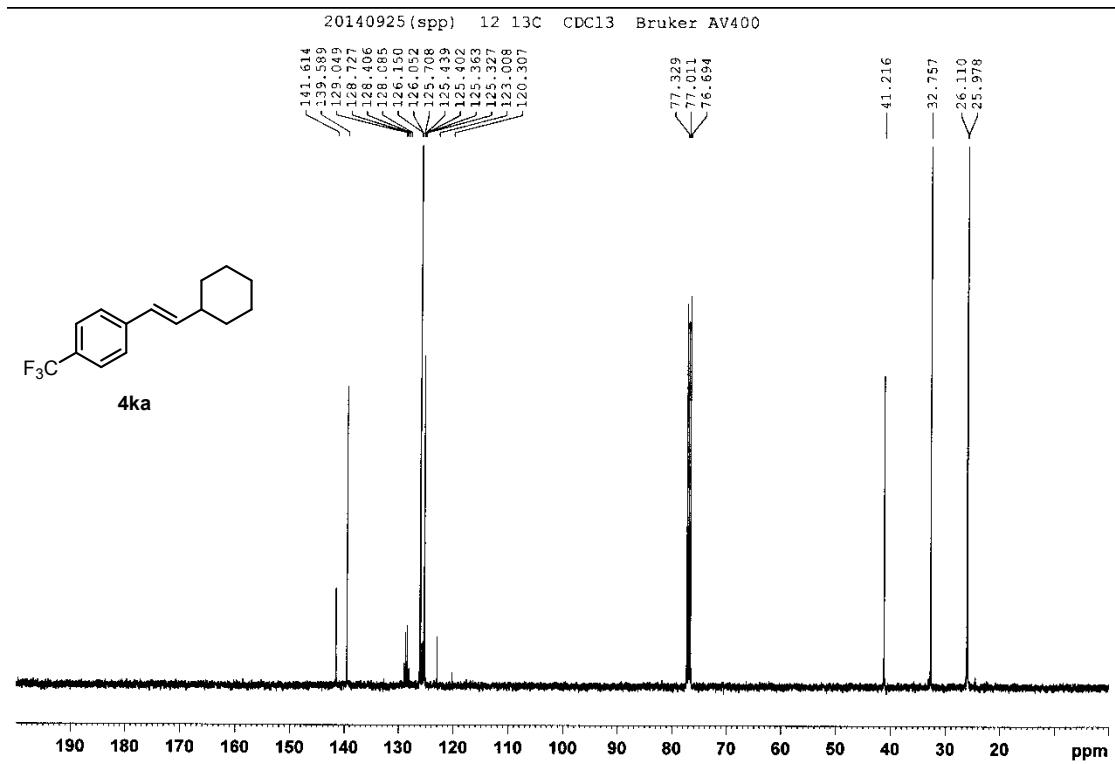
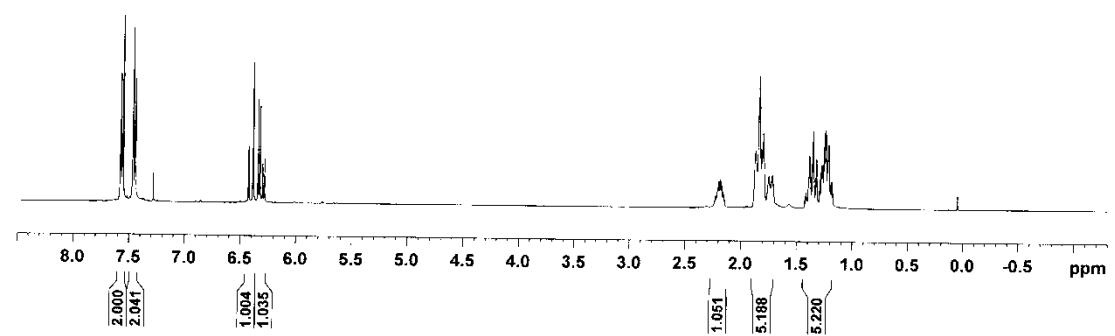
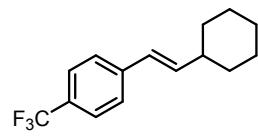
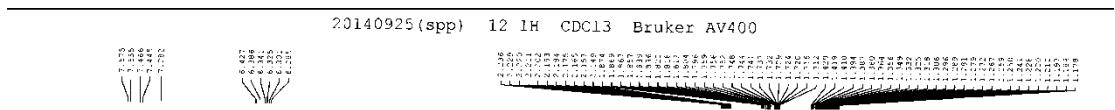
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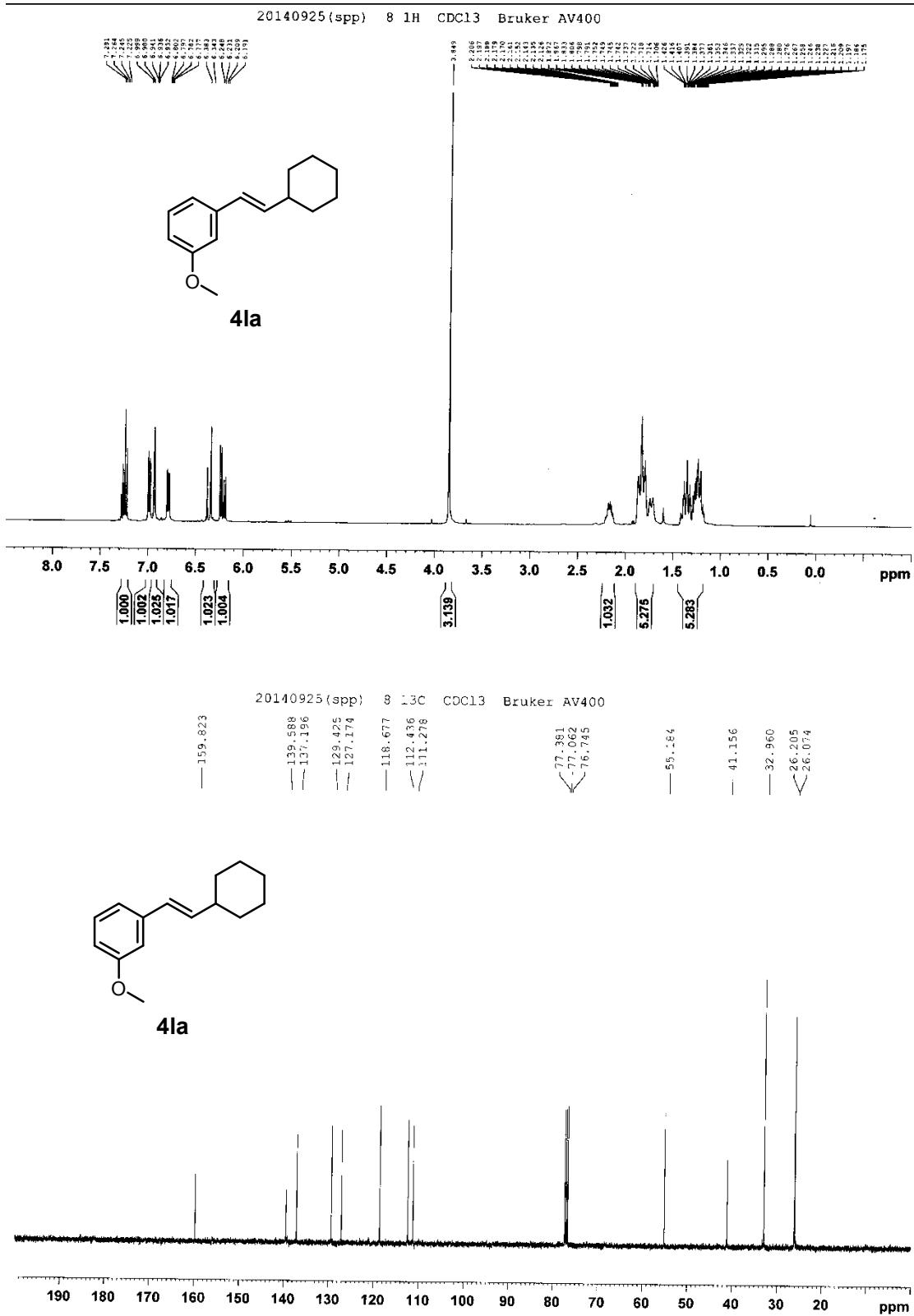


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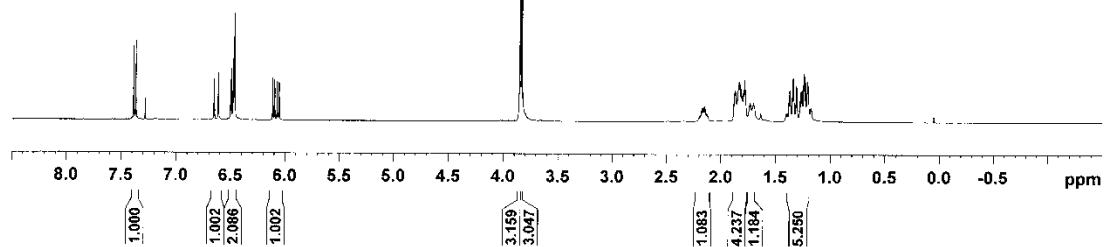




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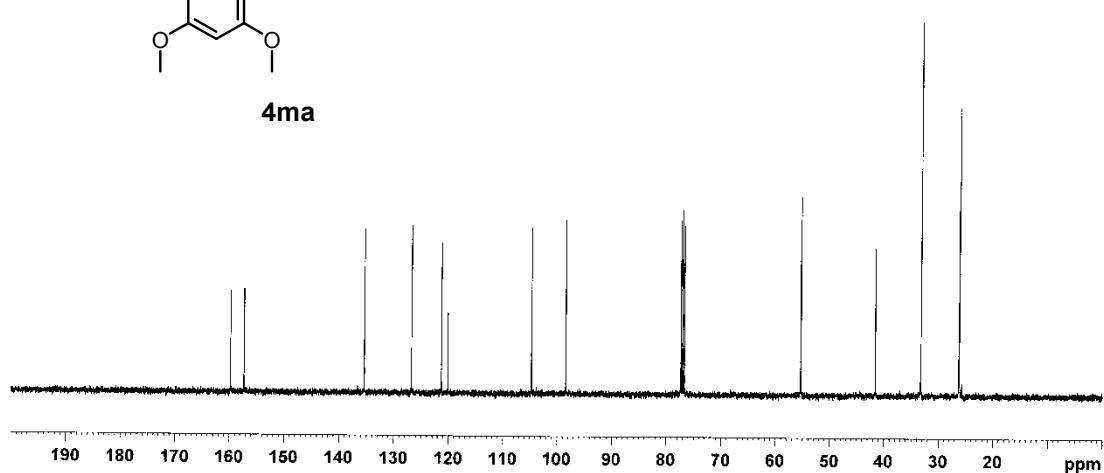
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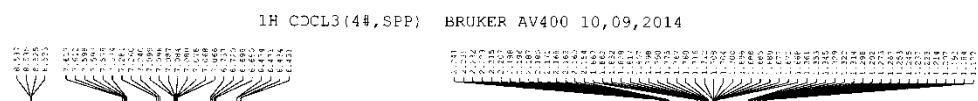


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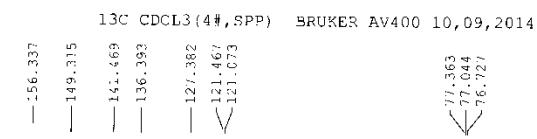
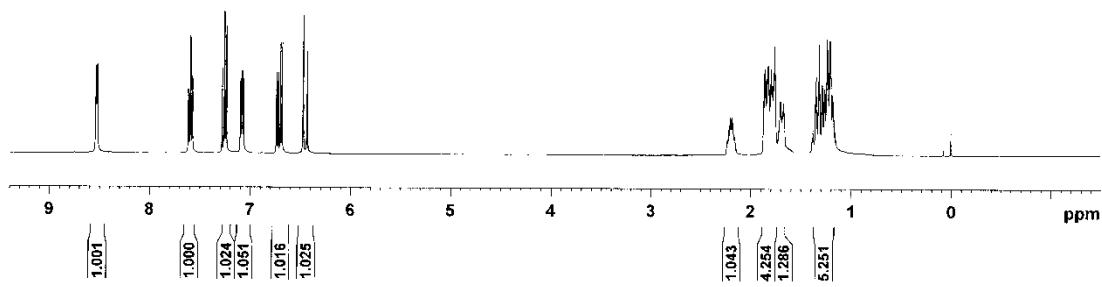


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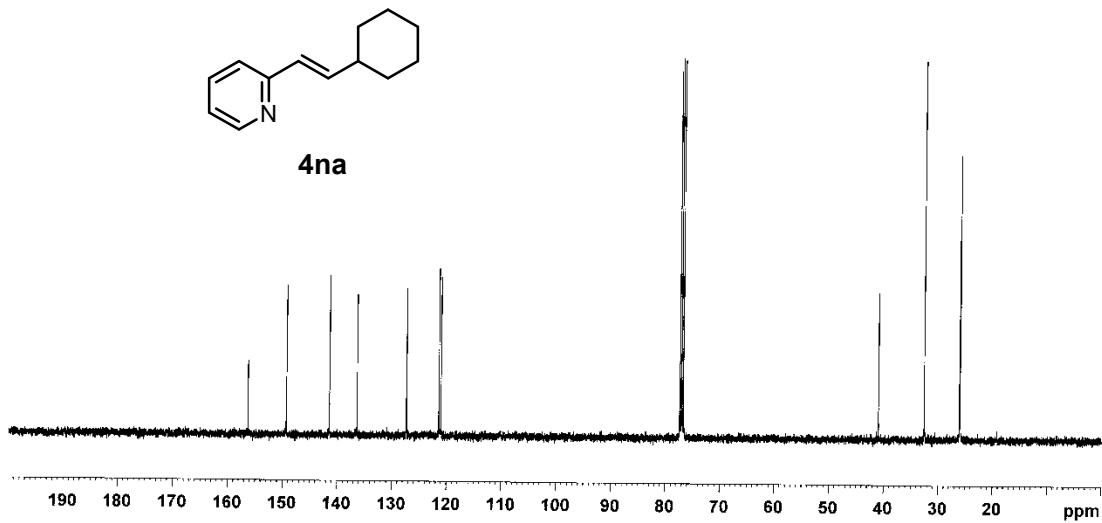




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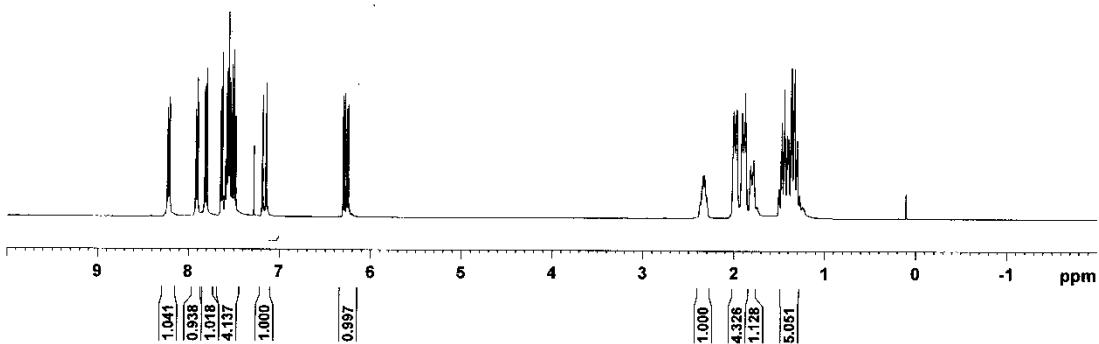
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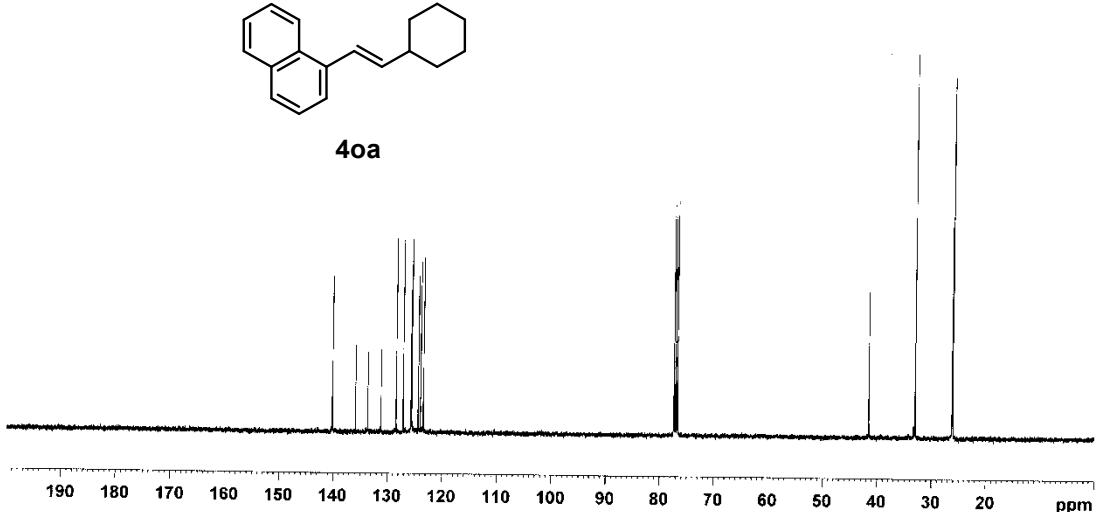
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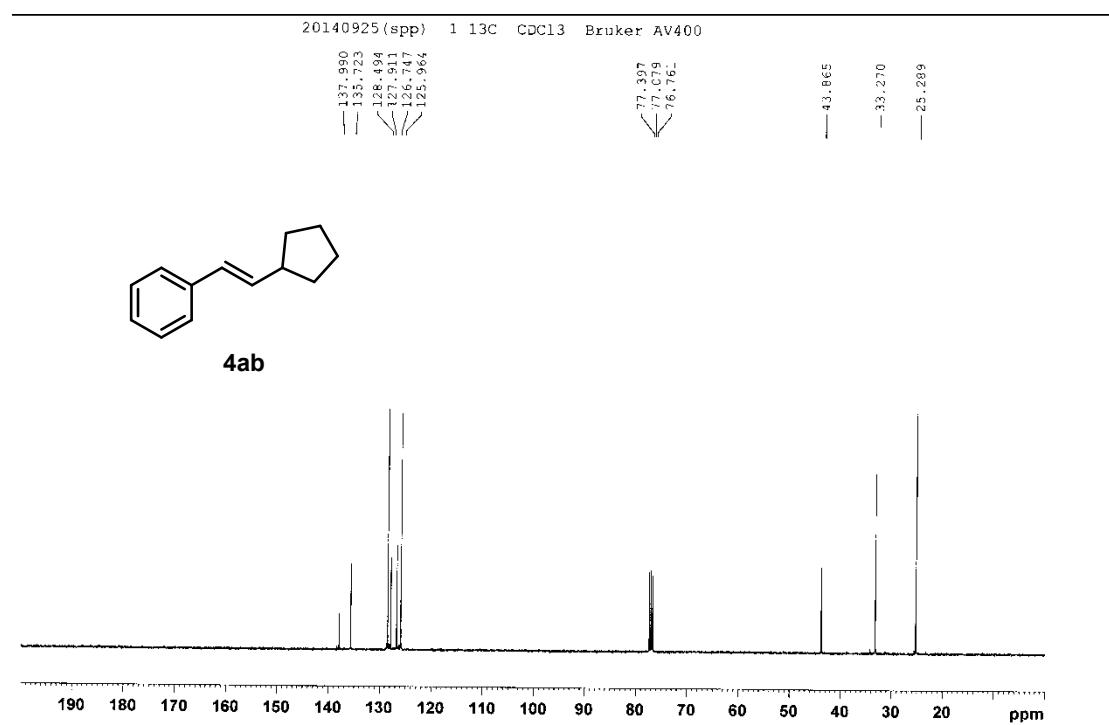
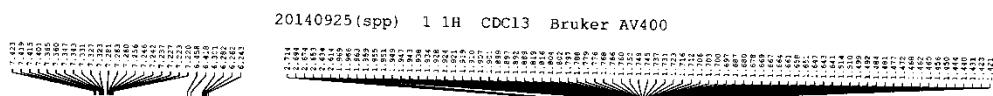


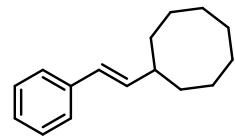
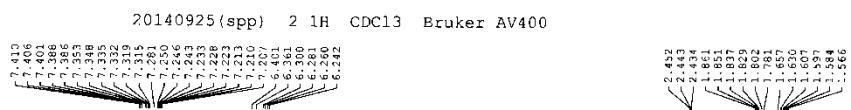
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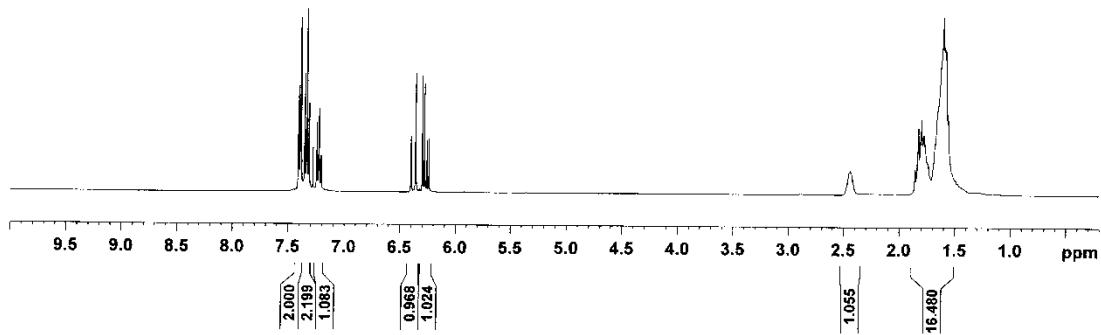
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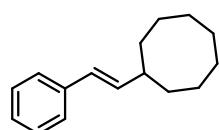




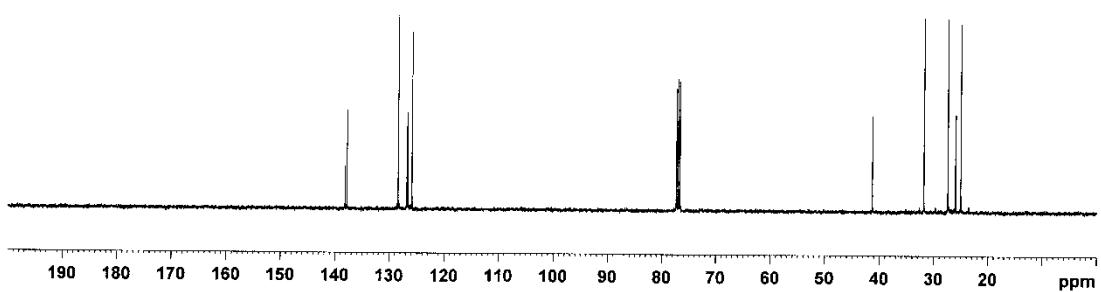
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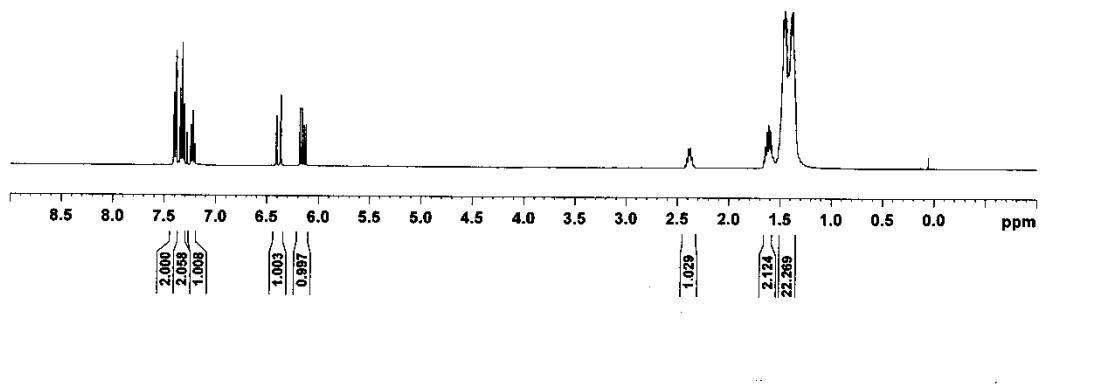
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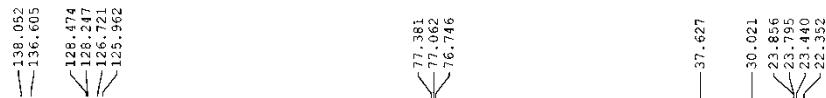
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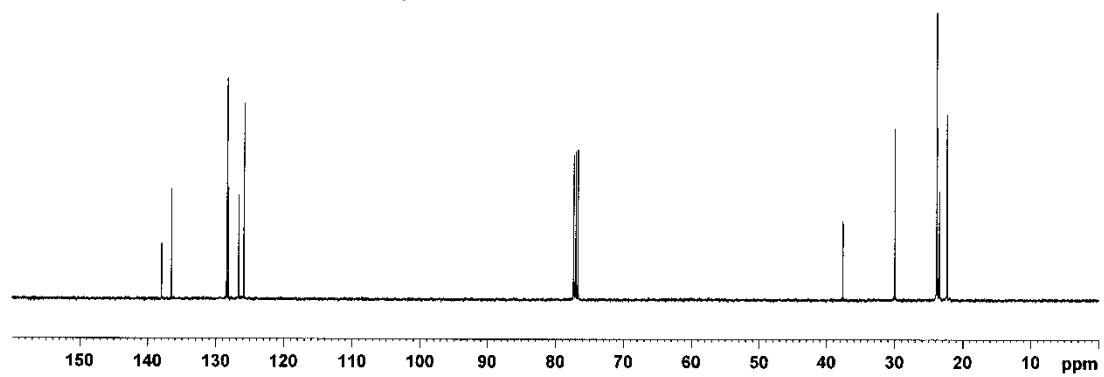
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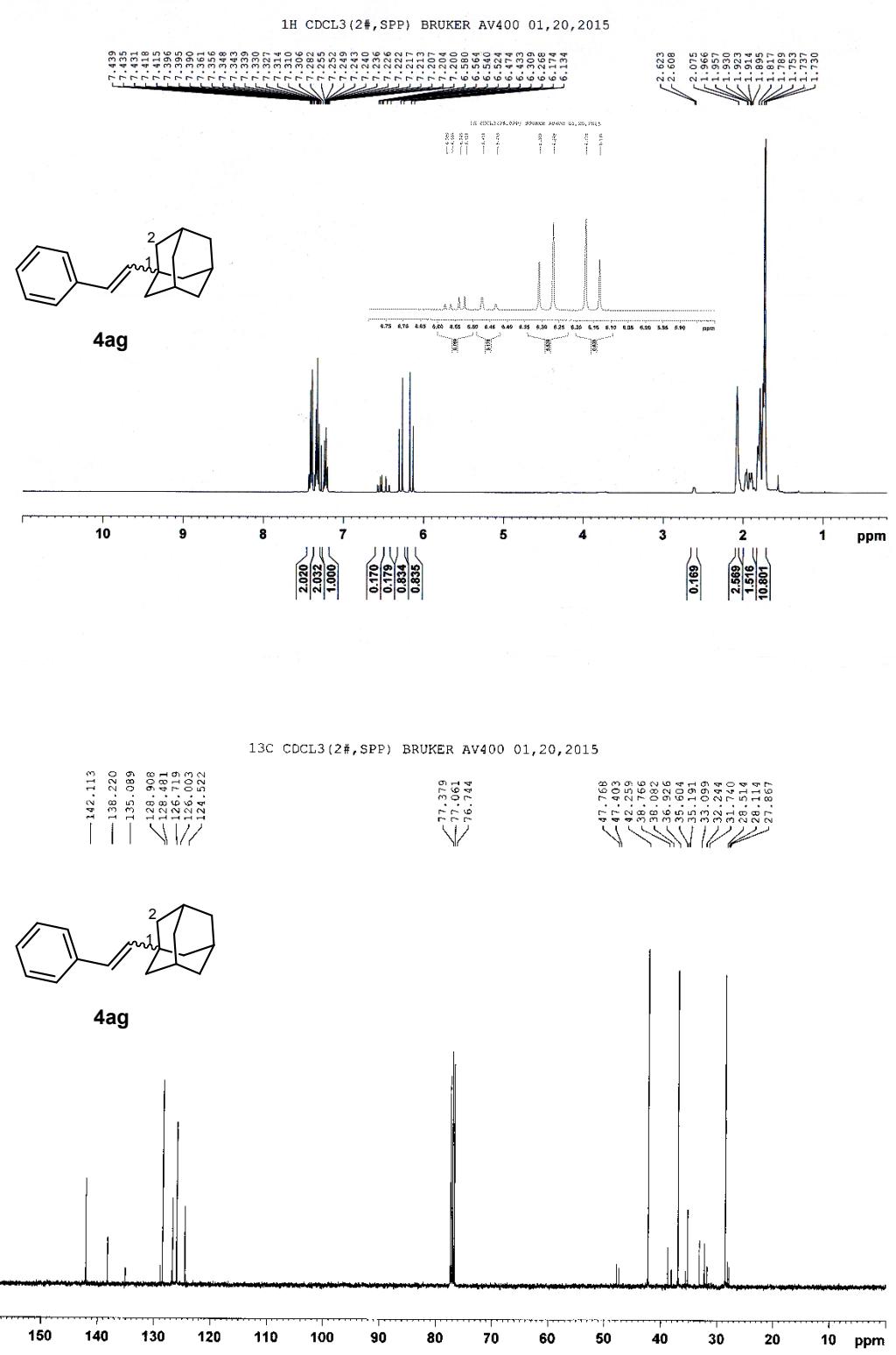


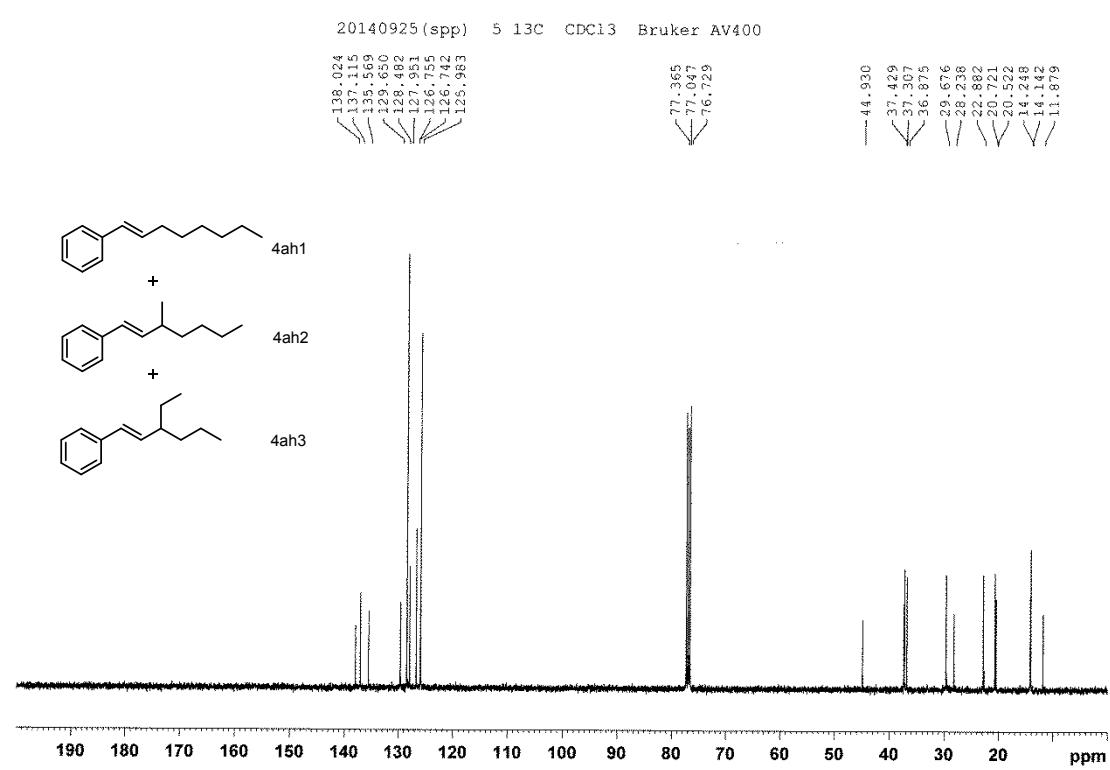
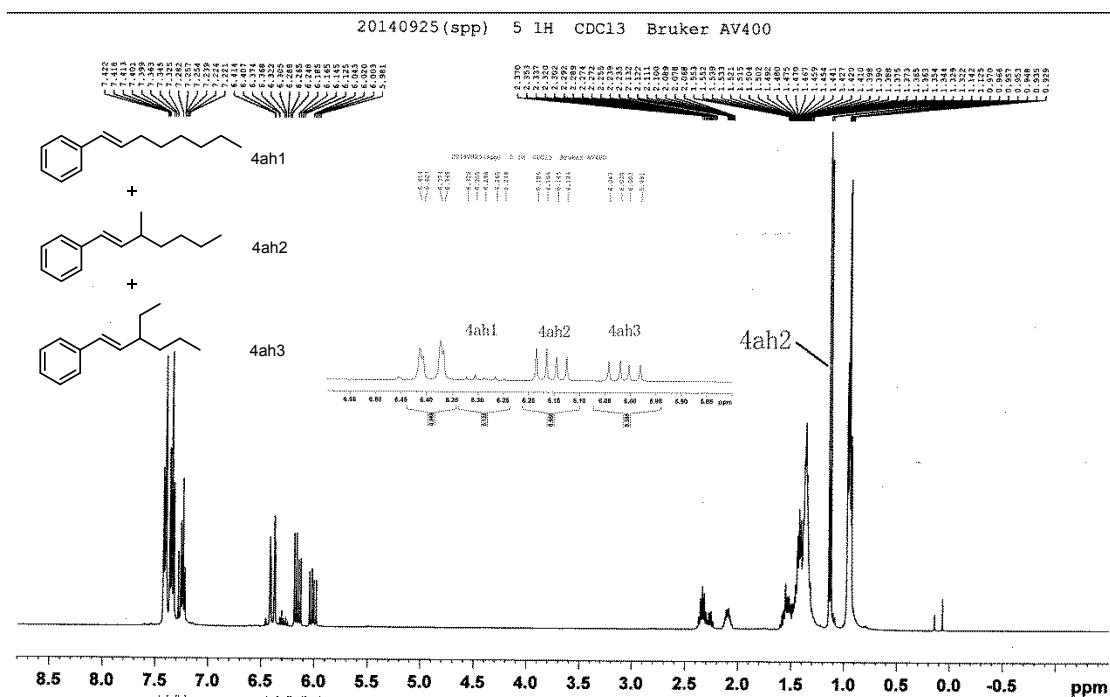
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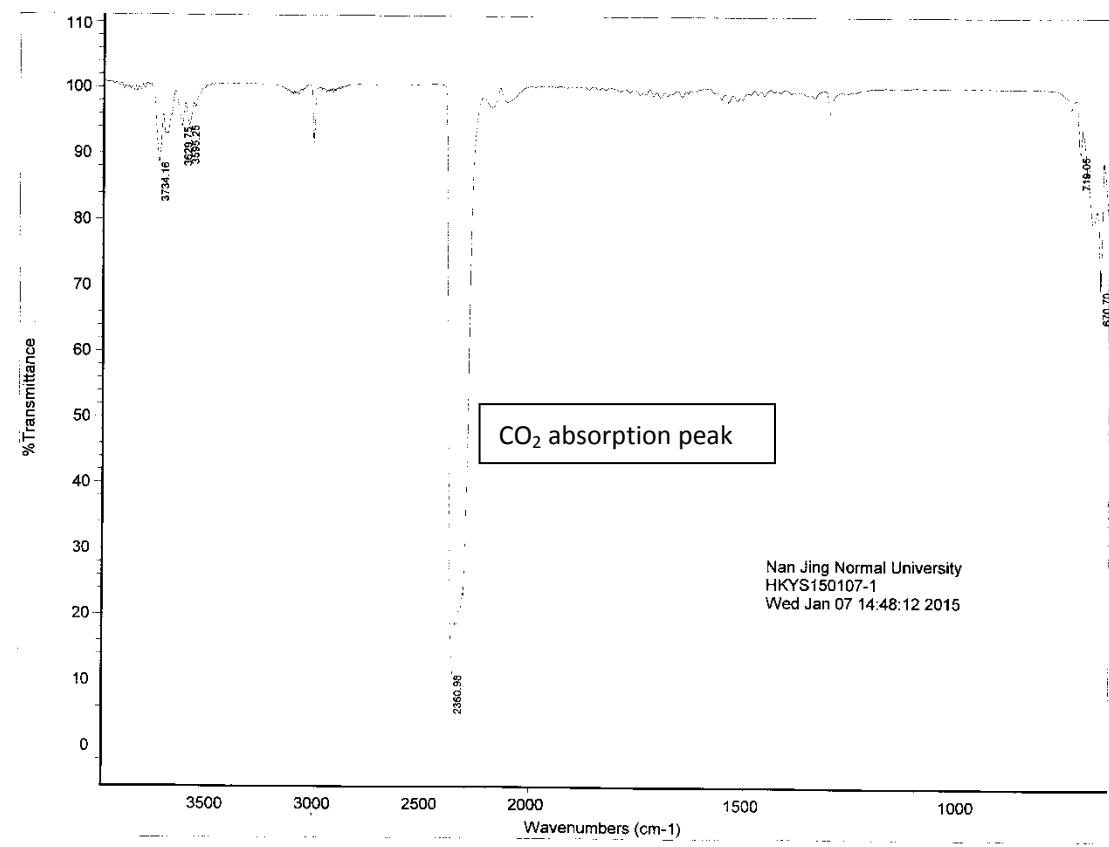
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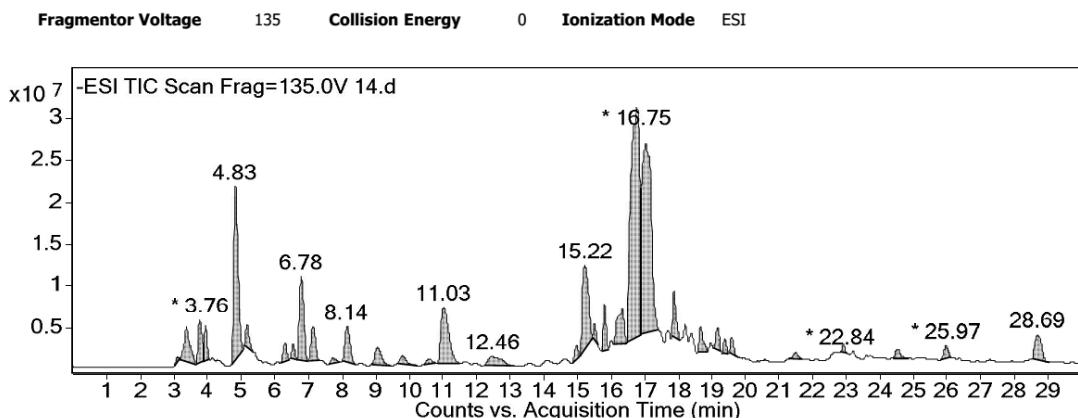
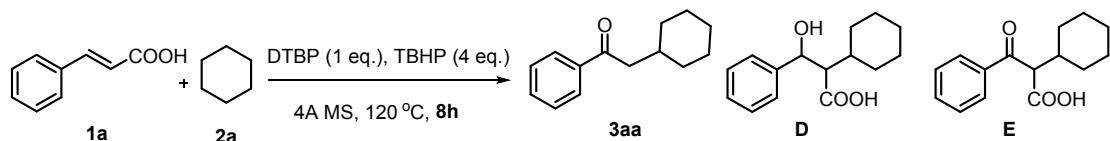




**5. GC-FTIR Spectra of the Components of the Gas Generated from the Reaction to form
3aa**

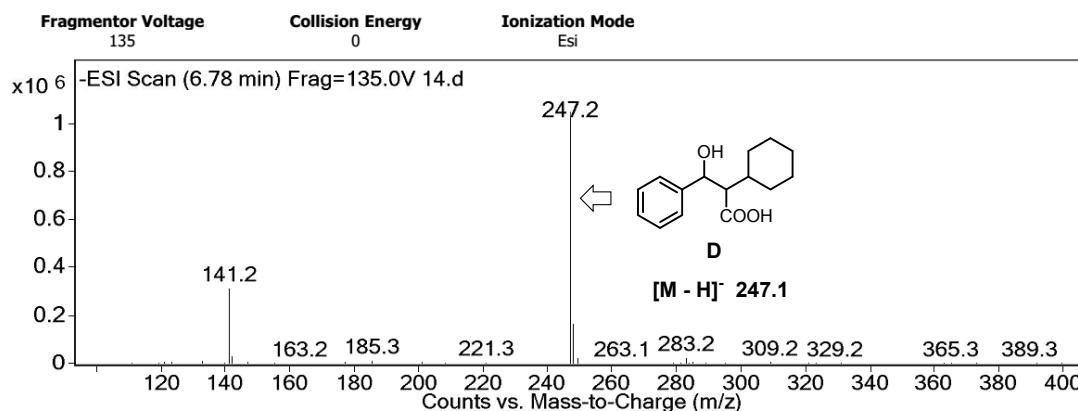


6. LC–MS Analysis for the Reaction Mixture to Form 3aa after Reacting for 8 h under the Standard Reaction Conditions



Integration Peak List

Peak	Start	RT	End	Height	Area	Area %
3	3.66	3.76	3.88	5207840	41535817	8.48
5	4.7	4.83	5.06	20667638	180285856	36.79
9	6.65	6.78	6.99	10004558	89968971	18.36
12	8.01	8.14	8.41	4273206	44265062	9.03
16	10.84	11.03	11.5	6730793	109370437	22.32
19	15.07	15.22	15.44	10015550	124681471	25.45
21	15.72	15.81	15.92	5522550	31652722	6.46
23	16.47	16.75	16.87	27510111	489992868	100
24	16.87	17.03	17.4	22618896	443779158	90.57
25	17.8	17.87	18.06	5417192	36222725	7.39



Peak List

m/z	Abund
133.2	11290
141.2	310347
142.2	27086
185.3	10324
247.2	1047752
248.2	165041
249.2	20046
283.2	22730
285.2	6390
295.2	6312

