

Supporting Information

Asymmetric Synthesis of 1*H*-Pyrrol-3(2*H*)-ones from 2,3-Diketoesters

By Combination of Aldol Condensation With Benzyllic Acid

Rearrangement

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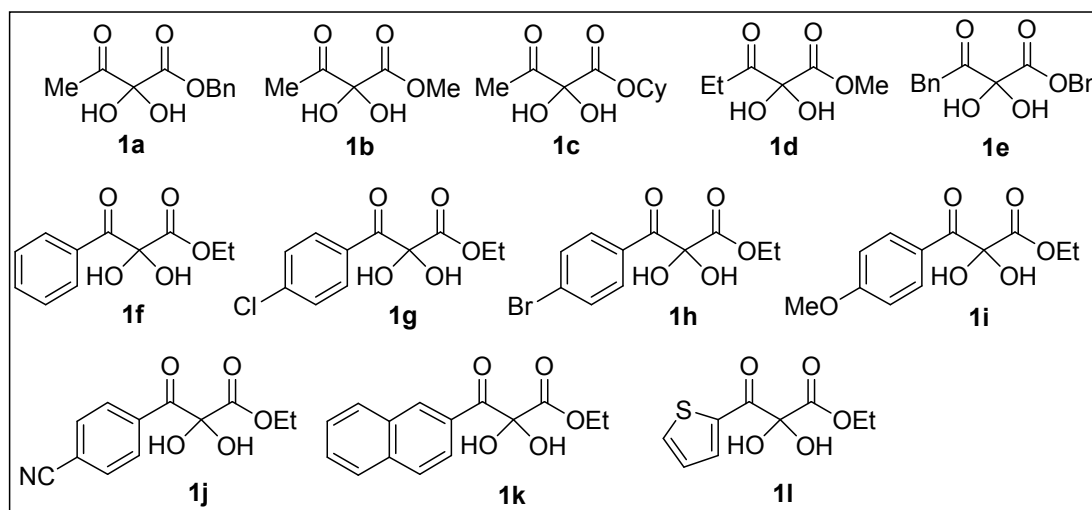
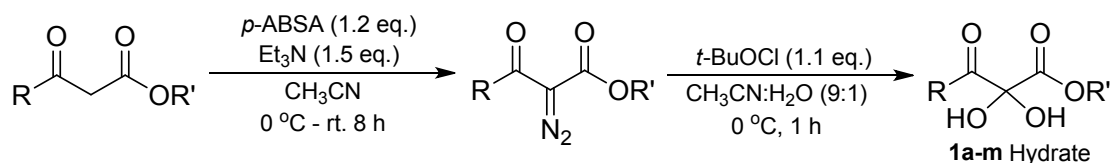
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General. ^1H NMR and ^{13}C NMR spectra were recorded in CDCl_3 on an Agilent DD2-500 MHz spectrometer. Chemical shifts are reported in ppm with the solvent signals as reference, and coupling constants (J) are given in Hertz (Hz). The peak information is described as: s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet, comp = composite. High-resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were performed on a microTOF-ESI mass spectrometer using CsOAc as the standard. Melting points were obtained uncorrected from an Electrothermo Mel-Temp DLX 104 device.

General procedure for the synthesis of 2,3-diketoesters.



Preparation of α -Diazo- β -ketoesters:¹ A solution of β -ketoester (10 mmol, 1.0 eq.) and p -acetamidobenzenesulfonyl azide (p -ABSA) (2.8 g, 12 mmol, 1.2 eq.) in 75 mL of CH_3CN was added triethylamine (2.1 mL, 1.5 mmol, 1.5 eq.) at $0\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$, and the resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 8 hours during which time the corresponding sulfonamide precipitated as a white solid. The white precipitate was filtered, and the resulting solution was concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography (SiO_2), eluting with hexane and ethyl acetate to provide α -diazo- β -ketoester.

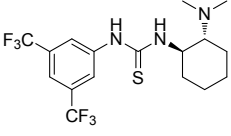
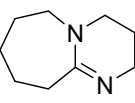
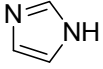
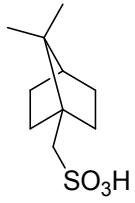
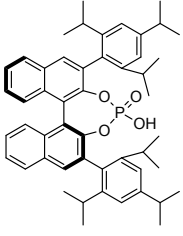
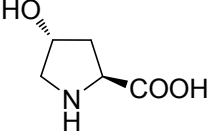
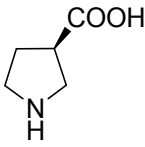
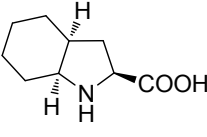
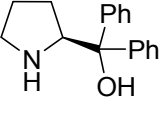
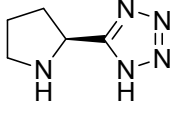
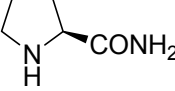
General Procedure for the Synthesis of 2,3-Diketoesters 1a-m:^{1a} A solution of α -diazo- β -ketoesters (5.0 mmol, 1.0 eq.) in 20 mL of solvent [$\text{CH}_3\text{CN}:\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (9:1)] at $0\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ was added tert-

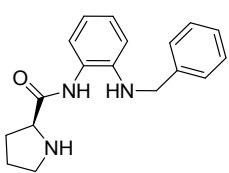
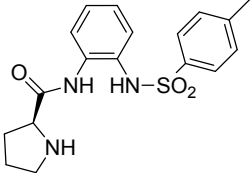
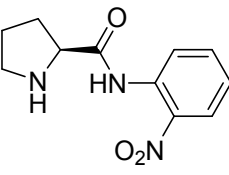
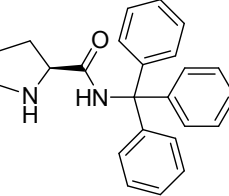
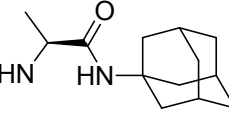
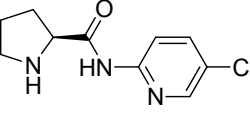
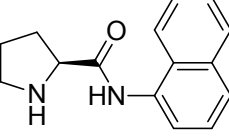
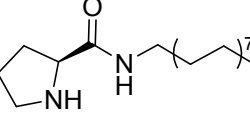
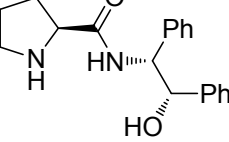
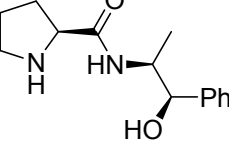
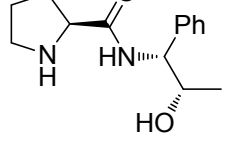
butyl hypochlorite (0.61 ml, 5.5 mmol) dropwise over 30 min via syringe pump. The reaction was stirred for an additional 30 min at room temperature and then concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography (SiO₂), eluting with hexane and ethyl acetate to provide compounds **1a-m** as their monohydrates. 2,3-Diketoesters **1a**,^{1a} **1b**,^{1a} **1d**,² **1f**,³ **1g**,³ **1i**⁴ are known compounds, **1c**, **1e**, **1h**, **1j**, **1k**, **1l** are new compounds and characterized in detail.

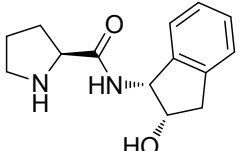
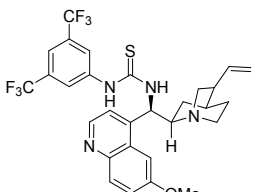
Optimization of the *L*-proline catalyzed aldol reaction.

Various solvents, additives and organocatalysts were screened from which *L*-proline in DCM at room temperature gave the highest diastereoselectivity. Additives were not effective.

Entry	Catalyst ^a	Additive ^b	Solvent	Temp.	Yield (%) ^c	3a/4a d.r. ^d
1	<i>L</i> -proline	---	DMF	rt	90	65:35
2	<i>L</i> -proline	---	MeCN	rt	91	65:35
3	<i>L</i> -proline	---	THF	rt	67	65:35
4	<i>L</i> -proline	---	DCM	rt	92	74:26
5	<i>L</i> -proline	---	CHCl ₃	rt	88	73:27
6	<i>L</i> -proline	---	DCE	rt	95	73:27
7 ^e	<i>L</i> -proline	---	DCM	0 °C	72	74:26
8	<i>L</i> -proline	CF ₃ COOH	DCM	rt	34	65:35
9	<i>L</i> -proline	H ₂ O	DCM	rt	90	74:26
10	<i>L</i> -proline		DCM	rt	82	60:40
11	<i>L</i> -proline		DCM	rt	92	60:40
12	<i>L</i> -proline		DCM	rt	65	63:37

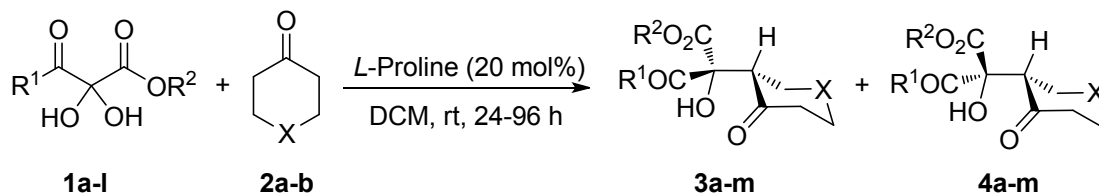
13	<i>L</i> -proline		DCM	rt	71	59:41
14	<i>L</i> -proline		DCM	rt	19	37:63
15	<i>L</i> -proline		DCM	rt	90	64:36
16	<i>L</i> -proline		DCM	rt	87	67:33
17	<i>L</i> -proline		DCM	rt	48	66:34
18		---	DCM	rt	trace	---
19		---	DCM	rt	trace	---
20		---	DCM	rt	85	50:50
21		---	DCM	rt	NR	---
22		---	DCM	rt	85	54:46
23		---	DCM	rt	86	36:64

24		---	DCM	rt	87	40:60
25		---	DCM	rt	79	48:52
26		---	DCM	rt	91	43:57
27		---	DCM	rt	95	53:47
28		---	DCM	rt	97	44:56
29		---	DCM	rt	94	50:50
30		---	DCM	rt	96	46:54
31		---	DCM	rt	93	49:51
32		---	DCM	rt	89	37:63
33		---	DCM	rt	88	36:64
34		---	DCM	rt	98	42:58

35		---	DCM	rt	95	37:63
36		---	DCM	rt	87	60:40

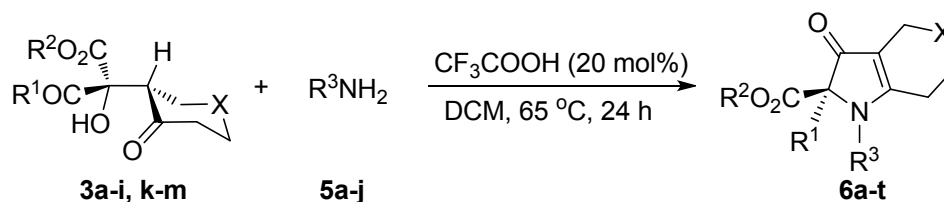
^a 20 mol% catalyst was added. ^b 20 mol% additive was added. ^c Determined by crude ¹H NMR using CH₂I₂ as internal standard. ^d Determined by ¹H NMR. ^e Reaction was run for 48 h.

General procedure for the *L*-proline catalyzed aldol reaction.



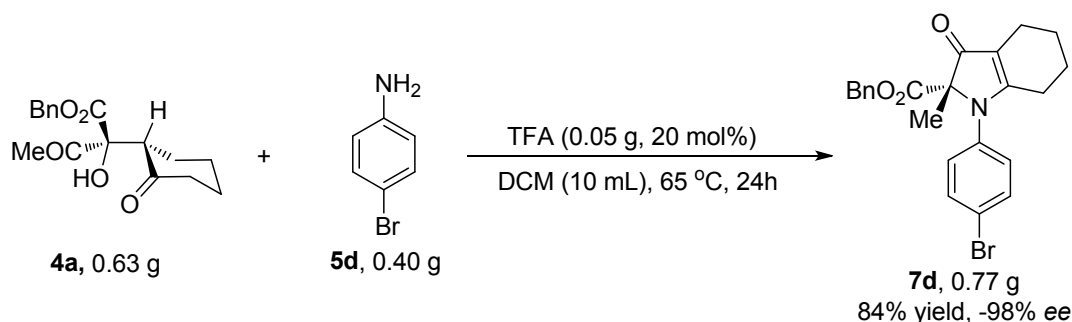
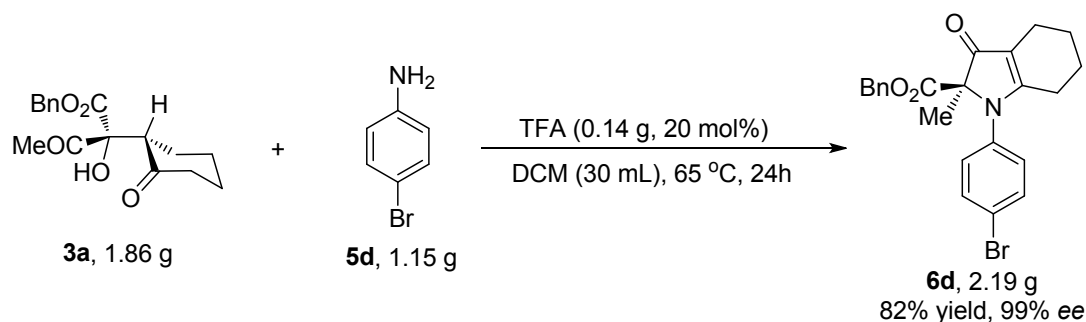
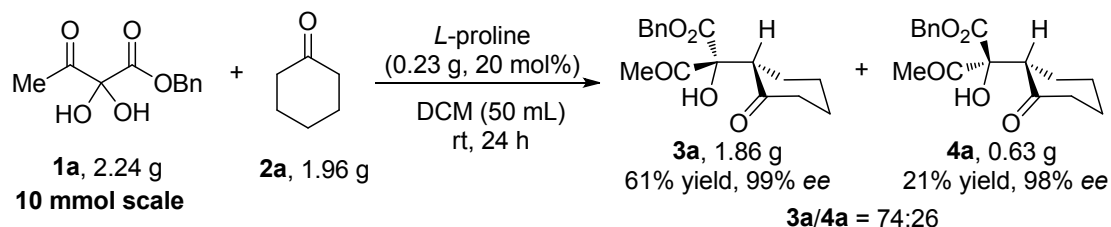
In a 25 mL one-neck flask containing a magnetic stirring bar, dichloromethane (5.0 mL), **1** (1.0 mmol), **2** (2.0 mmol) and *L*-proline (23.0 mg, 0.2 mmol) were added in sequence, then the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 24-96 h. After reaction was complete, the product mixture was concentrated and its components were purified by flash column chromatography (SiO₂), eluting with hexane/ethyl acetate, to provide products **3** and **4**.

General procedure for TFA catalyzed benzylic-benzilic acid rearrangement reaction.



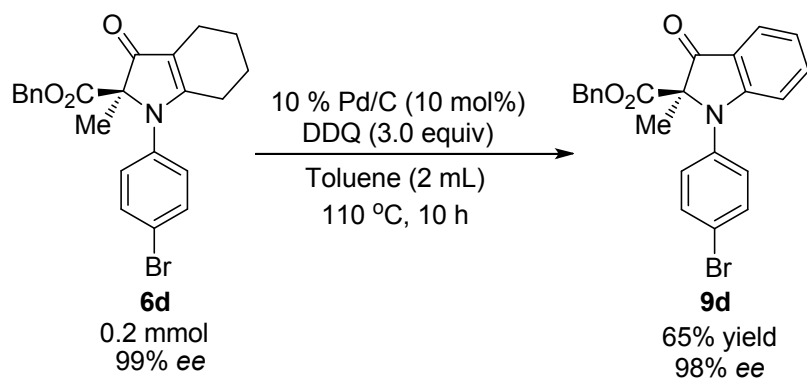
In a 8 mL vial containing a magnetic stirring bar and a screw cap, a solution containing **3** (0.10 mmol, 1.0 eq.), **5** (0.11 mol, 1.1 eq.), trifluoroacetic acid (2.28 mg, 0.02 mmol) in dichloromethane (0.5 mL) were stirred in an oil bath at 65 °C for 24 h. Then the reaction mixture was directly injected into the chromatography column (4g) and purified by flash column chromatography (SiO₂) eluting with hexanes/ethyl acetate to provide products **6**.

General procedures for gram-scale reactions.



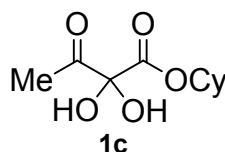
In a 100 mL one-neck flask containing a magnetic stirring bar, dichloromethane (50 mL), **1a** (2.24 g, 10 mmol), **2a** (1.96 g, 20 mmol) and *L*-proline (230 mg, 2 mmol) were added in sequence, then the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 24 h. After reaction was complete, the product mixture was concentrated and its components were purified by flash column chromatography (SiO₂), eluting with hexane/ethyl acetate, to provide products **3a** (1.86 g, 61% yield, 99% *ee*) and **4a** (0.63 g, 21% yield, 98% *ee*).

In a 100 mL one-neck flask containing a magnetic stirring bar and a condenser, dichloromethane (30 mL), **3a** (1.86 g), **5d** (1.15 g) and trifluoroacetic acid (0.14 g) were added in sequence, then the reaction mixture was stirred at 65 °C for 24 h. After reaction was complete, the mixture was concentrated and purified by flash column chromatography (SiO₂), eluting with hexane/ethyl acetate, to provide **6d** (2.19 g, 82% yield, 99% *ee*).

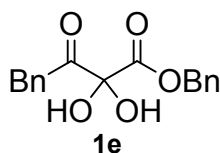


In a 8 mL vial containing a magnetic stirring bar and a screw cap, a solution containing **6d** (87.8 mg, 0.2 mmol), DDQ (135.6 mg, 0.6 mmol), 10% Pd/C (11.0 mg, 0.02 mmol) and toluene (2 mL) were stirred in oil bath at 110°C for 10 h. After this time the reaction mixture was allowed to cool to room temperature, 5 mL saturated Na₂CO₃ solution was added, the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 5 min then was extracted three times (ethyl acetate 10 mL ×3). After drying the combined organic layer over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, the solution was concentrated and purified by flash column chromatography (SiO₂), eluting with hexanes/ethyl acetate, to provide **9d** (56.5 mg, 65% yield, 98% *ee*).

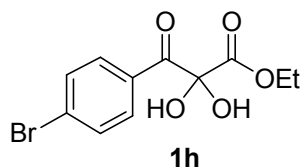
Characterization data of products 1, 3a-m, 4a-m, 6a-t.



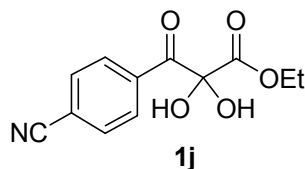
Cyclohexyl 2,2-Dihydroxy-3-oxobutanoate (1c). White solid (73% yield); mp = 49.3-50.7 °C; TLC R_f = 0.29 (3:1 hexanes/EtOAc). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 5.08 (brs, 2H), 4.92-4.89 (m, 1H), 2.28 (s, 3H), 1.86-1.83 (comp, 2H), 1.71-1.67 (comp, 2H), 1.54-1.44 (comp, 3H), 1.44-1.33 (comp, 2H), 1.30-1.23 (m, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 200.98, 168.41, 92.49, 76.24, 31.00, 25.03, 23.32, 23.04. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{16}\text{O}_5+\text{Na}]^+$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 239.0890, found: 239.0890.



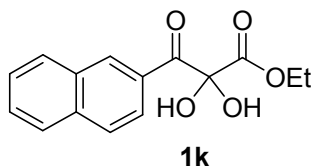
Benzyl 2,2-Dihydroxy-3-oxo-4-phenylbutanoate (1e). Yellow solid (78% yield); mp = 78.6-82.4 °C; TLC R_f = 0.20 (3:1 hexanes/EtOAc). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.39-7.38 (comp, 3H), 7.32-7.28 (comp, 5H), 7.09-7.07 (comp, 2H), 5.15 (s, 2H), 5.03 (brs, 2H), 3.86 (s, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 200.77, 168.74, 134.01, 132.11, 129.75, 128.99, 128.79, 128.59, 128.54, 127.42, 92.56, 68.77, 42.54. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{16}\text{O}_5+\text{Na}]^+$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 323.0890, found: 323.0891.



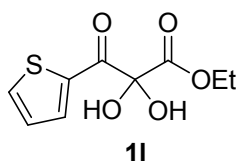
Ethyl 3-(4-Bromophenyl)-2,2-dihydroxy-3-oxopropanoate (1h). White solid (75% yield); mp = 88.0-89.5 °C; TLC R_f = 0.37 (3:1 hexanes/EtOAc). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.96 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.63 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 5.37 (brs, 2H), 4.23 (q, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 1.12 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 190.83, 169.60, 132.18, 131.57, 130.23, 130.15, 91.74, 63.34, 13.71. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{11}\text{BrO}_5+\text{Na}]^+ [\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 324.9682, found: 324.9681.



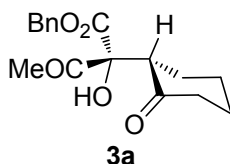
Ethyl 3-(4-Cyanophenyl)-2,2-dihydroxy-3-oxopropanoate (1j). White solid (70% yield); mp = 102.9-106.9 °C; TLC R_f = 0.20 (3:1 hexanes/EtOAc). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.20 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.80 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 5.28 (brs, 2H), 4.23 (q, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 1.17 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 190.81, 169.12, 134.65, 132.48, 130.43, 117.68, 117.52, 91.96, 63.51, 13.70. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{11}\text{NO}_5+\text{Na}]^+ [\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 272.0529, found: 272.0525.



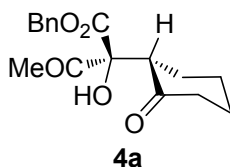
Ethyl 2,2-Dihydroxy-3-(naphthalen-2-yl)-3-oxopropanoate (1k). Light yellow solid (71% yield); mp = 75.7-77.0 °C; TLC R_f = 0.33 (3:1 hexanes/EtOAc). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.70 (s, 1H), 8.10 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.98 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.91 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.89 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.57 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 5.52 (brs, 2H), 4.22 (q, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 1.07 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 191.51, 170.05, 136.15, 132.94, 132.28, 130.12, 129.47, 128.66, 127.79, 127.07, 124.79, 91.85, 63.24, 13.68. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{14}\text{O}_5+\text{Na}]^+ [\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 297.0733, found: 297.0725.



Ethyl 2,2-Dihydroxy-3-oxo-3-(thiophen-2-yl)propanoate (11). Yellow solid (77% yield); mp = 58.9-61.3 °C; TLC R_f = 0.26 (3:1 hexanes/EtOAc). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.95 (dd, J = 4.0 Hz, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.79 (d, J = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (t, J = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 5.30 (brs, 2H), 4.25 (q, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 1.16 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 184.90, 169.70, 136.57, 136.29, 128.68, 109.99, 92.08, 63.41, 13.72. HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_9\text{H}_{10}\text{O}_5\text{S}+\text{Na}]^+$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 253.0141, found: 253.0136.

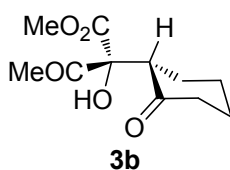


(R)-Benzyl 2-Hydroxy-3-oxo-2-[(S)-2-oxocyclohexyl]butanoate (3a). Light yellow solid (68% yield); mp = 48.8-50.6 °C; TLC R_f = 0.30 (3:1 hexanes/EtOAc). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.39-7.36 (comp, 5H), 5.27 (d, J = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 5.20 (d, J = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 4.31 (s, 1H), 3.65 (dd, J = 15.0 Hz, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.44-2.30 (comp, 5H), 2.06-2.05 (m, 1H), 1.89-1.88 (m, 1H), 1.81-1.75 (comp, 2H), 1.69-1.61 (comp, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 209.52, 204.48, 169.57, 134.68, 128.71, 128.66, 128.25, 84.96, 68.40, 56.51, 41.87, 27.49, 26.71, 24.92, 24.48. Enantiomeric excess: 99% (Diacel Chirapak OD-H, hexanes/i-PrOH = 80:20, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, 230 nm, major enantiomer tr = 7.6 min, minor enantiomer tr = 8.6 min). HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}_5+\text{Na}]^+$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 327.1203, found: 327.1195.

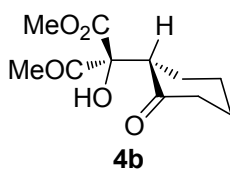


(S)-Benzyl 2-Hydroxy-3-oxo-2-[(S)-2-oxocyclohexyl]butanoate (4a). Light yellow solid (24% yield); mp = 71.0-72.5 °C; TLC R_f = 0.40 (3:1 hexanes/EtOAc). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ

7.39-7.30 (comp, 5H), 5.22 (d, $J = 15.0$ Hz, 1H), 5.16 (d, $J = 15.0$ Hz, 1H), 4.09 (s, 1H), 3.62 (dd, $J = 15.0$ Hz, 7.5 Hz, 1H), 2.44-2.30 (comp, 2H), 2.25 (s, 3H), 2.10-2.07 (m, 1H), 1.92-1.83 (comp, 2H), 1.77-1.62 (comp, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 210.47, 205.72, 170.17, 134.92, 128.55, 128.43, 128.12, 84.75, 68.26, 55.84, 41.95, 27.58, 27.12, 25.85, 24.57. Enantiomeric excess: 97% (Diacel Chirapak OD-H, hexanes/*i*-PrOH = 80:20, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, 230 nm, major enantiomer $t_r = 6.4$ min, minor enantiomer $t_r = 7.0$ min). HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}_5 + \text{Na}]^+ [\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$ 327.1203, found: 327.1200.

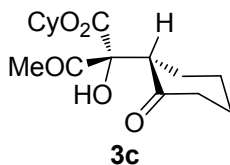


(R)-Methyl 2-Hydroxy-3-oxo-2-[(S)-2-oxocyclohexyl]butanoate (3b). White solid (60% yield); mp = 64.5-65.6 °C; TLC $R_f = 0.27$ (3:1 hexanes/EtOAc). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 4.26 (s, 1H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 3.53 (dd, $J = 12.0$ Hz, 6.0 Hz, 1H), 2.34-2.16 (comp, 5H), 1.99-1.94 (m, 1H), 1.85-1.82 (m, 1H), 1.78-1.47 (comp, 4H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 209.22, 204.56, 170.10, 84.86, 56.50, 53.61, 41.73, 27.50, 26.55, 24.79, 24.41. Enantiomeric excess: 99% (Diacel Chirapak OD-H, hexanes/*i*-PrOH = 90:10, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, 210 nm, major enantiomer $t_r = 9.2$ min, minor enantiomer $t_r = 9.8$ min). HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{16}\text{O}_5 + \text{Na}]^+ [\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$ 251.0890, found: 251.0882.

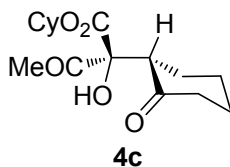


(S)-Methyl 2-Hydroxy-3-oxo-2-[(S)-2-oxocyclohexyl]butanoate (4b). White solid (16%yield); mp = 71.6-72.8 °C; TLC $R_f = 0.37$ (3:1hexanes/EtOAc). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 4.07 (s, 1H), 3.71 (s, 3H), 3.57-3.53 (m, 1H), 2.36-2.30 (comp, 2H), 2.24 (s, 3H), 2.05-2.03 (m, 1H), 1.87-1.86 (m, 1H), 1.78-1.77 (m, 1H), 1.71-1.61 (comp, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 210.28, 205.98, 170.79, 84.58, 55.85, 53.50, 41.93, 27.46, 27.01, 25.82, 24.55. Enantiomeric excess: 97% (Diacel Chirapak OD-H, hexanes/*i*-PrOH = 93:7, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, 210 nm, major enantiomer $t_r = 9.6$ min, minor enantiomer $t_r = 10.0$ min). HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for

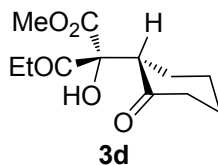
$[\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{16}\text{O}_5+\text{Na}]^+ [\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 251.0890, found: 251.0884.



(R)-Cyclohexyl 2-Hydroxy-3-oxo-2-[(S)-2-oxocyclohexyl]butanoate (3c). Colorless liquid (67% yield); TLC R_f = 0.48 (3:1 hexanes/EtOAc). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 4.86-4.80 (m, 1H), 4.25 (s, 1H), 3.61 (dd, J = 12.5 Hz, 6.0 Hz, 1H), 2.40-2.26 (comp, 5H), 2.06-2.03 (m, 1H), 1.93-1.91 (m, 1H), 1.86-1.75 (comp, 4H), 1.70-1.61 (comp, 4H), 1.52-1.23 (comp, 6H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 209.32, 204.76, 169.16, 84.80, 75.65, 56.46, 41.87, 31.20, 31.07, 27.46, 26.72, 25.10, 24.92, 24.59, 23.38, 23.31. Enantiomeric excess: 99% (Diacel Chirapak OD-H, hexanes/i-PrOH = 93:7, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, 210 nm, major enantiomer tr = 7.1 min, minor enantiomer tr = 8.4 min). HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{24}\text{O}_5+\text{Na}]^+ [\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 319.1516, found: 319.1516.

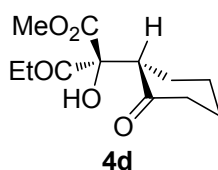


(S)-Cyclohexyl 2-Hydroxy-3-oxo-2-[(S)-2-oxocyclohexyl]butanoate (4c). Colorless liquid (20% yield); TLC R_f = 0.57 (3:1 hexanes/EtOAc). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 4.86-4.83 (m, 1H), 4.07 (s, 1H), 3.60 (dd, J = 11.5 Hz, 5.5 Hz, 1H), 2.43-2.30 (comp, 2H), 2.27 (s, 3H), 2.10-2.07 (m, 1H), 1.91-1.64 (comp, 9H), 1.52-1.26 (comp, 6H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 210.26, 206.01, 169.70, 84.75, 75.25, 55.71, 42.03, 31.06, 31.02, 27.71, 27.20, 25.77, 25.22, 24.68, 23.41, 23.40. Enantiomeric excess: 98% (Diacel Chirapak OD-H, hexanes/i-PrOH = 98:2, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, 210 nm, major enantiomer tr = 8.3 min, minor enantiomer tr = 8.7 min). HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{24}\text{O}_5+\text{Na}]^+ [\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 319.1516, found: 319.1512.

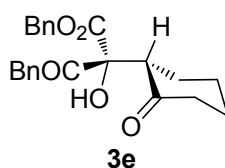


(R)-Methyl 2-Hydroxy-3-oxo-2-[(S)-2-oxocyclohexyl]pentanoate (3d). Colorless liquid (65%

yield); TLC R_f = 0.31 (3:1 hexanes/EtOAc). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 4.23 (s, 1H), 3.73 (s, 3H), 3.63-3.59 (m, 1H), 2.96-2.88 (m, 1H), 2.47-2.39 (m, 1H), 2.36-2.23 (comp, 2H), 2.03-1.99 (m, 1H), 1.91-1.88 (m, 1H), 1.80-1.53 (comp, 4H), 1.00 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 209.44, 207.30, 170.46, 84.76, 56.67, 53.70, 41.86, 30.25, 27.52, 26.66, 24.49, 7.56. Enantiomeric excess: 99% (Diacel Chirapak OD-H, hexanes/*i*-PrOH = 95:5, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, 210 nm, major enantiomer t_r = 9.9 min, minor enantiomer t_r = 12.9 min). HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}_5+\text{Na}]^+$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 265.1046, found: 265.1036.

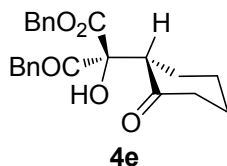


(S)-Methyl 2-Hydroxy-3-oxo-2-((S)-2-oxocyclohexyl)pentanoate (4d). White solid (19% yield); mp = 39.5-41.9 °C; TLC R_f = 0.45 (3:1 hexanes/EtOAc). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 4.02 (s, 1H), 3.71 (s, 3H), 3.58-3.55 (m, 1H), 2.75-2.67 (m, 1H), 2.63-2.55 (m, 1H), 2.39-2.28 (comp, 2H), 2.06-2.03 (m, 1H), 1.87-1.85 (m, 1H), 1.77-1.57 (comp, 4H), 0.98 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 210.48, 208.60, 170.98, 84.54, 56.18, 53.53, 41.95, 31.31, 27.56, 27.04, 24.57, 7.26. Enantiomeric excess: 97% (Diacel Chirapak AD-H, hexanes/*i*-PrOH = 80:20, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, 210 nm, major enantiomer t_r = 7.8 min, minor enantiomer t_r = 8.9 min). HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}_5+\text{Na}]^+$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 265.1046, found: 265.1043.

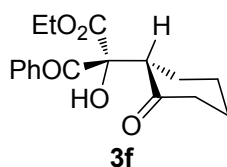


(R)-Benzyl 2-Hydroxy-3-oxo-2-[(S)-2-oxocyclohexyl]-4-phenylbutanoate (3e). Yellow solid (59% yield); mp = 80.8-83.1 °C; TLC R_f = 0.33 (3:1 hexanes/EtOAc). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.38-7.37 (comp, 3H), 7.32-7.24 (comp, 5H), 7.14 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 5.17 (d, J = 12.5 Hz, 1H), 5.10 (d, J = 12.5 Hz, 1H), 4.27 (s, 1H), 4.17 (d, J = 11.5 Hz, 1H), 4.02 (d, J = 11.5 Hz, 1H), 3.72 (dd, J = 12.5 Hz, 6.0 Hz, 1H), 2.45-2.42 (m, 1H), 2.35-2.28 (m, 1H), 2.06-2.03 (m, 1H), 1.88-1.87 (m, 1H), 1.79-1.76 (m, 1H), 1.71-1.60 (comp, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 209.33, 204.20, 169.76, 134.66, 133.66, 129.92, 128.74, 128.70, 128.43, 128.33, 126.90, 84.75,

68.52, 57.21, 44.29, 41.92, 27.29, 26.77, 24.47. Enantiomeric excess: 99% (Diacel Chirapak OD-H, hexanes/i-PrOH = 80:20, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, 210 nm, major enantiomer *tr* = 10.2 min, minor enantiomer *tr* = 11.8 min). HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calculated for [C₂₃H₂₄O₅+Na]⁺ [M+Na]⁺ 403.1516, found: 403.1517.

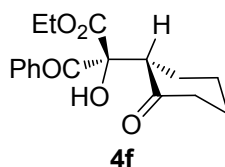


(S)-Benzyl 2-Hydroxy-3-oxo-2-[(S)-2-oxocyclohexyl]-4-phenylbutanoate (4e). Yellow liquid (21% yield); TLC *R_f* = 0.43 (3:1 hexanes/EtOAc). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.40-7.35 (comp, 3H), 7.31-7.24 (comp, 5H), 7.07 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 5.19 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 5.11 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 4.16 (s, 1H), 3.98 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 3.90 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 3.66 (dd, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 5.5 Hz, 1H), 2.42-2.40 (m, 1H), 2.35-2.30 (m, 1H), 2.10-2.08 (m, 1H), 1.87-1.78 (comp, 2H), 1.76-1.66 (comp, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 210.76, 204.85, 170.12, 134.91, 133.13, 129.75, 128.57, 128.44, 128.24, 127.00, 84.94, 68.32, 56.10, 44.30, 42.00, 27.84, 27.20, 24.61. Enantiomeric excess: 98% (Diacel Chirapak OD-H, hexanes/i-PrOH = 90:10, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, 210 nm, major enantiomer *tr* = 12.6 min, minor enantiomer *tr* = 14.5 min). HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calculated for [C₂₃H₂₄O₅+Na]⁺ [M+Na]⁺ 403.1516, found: 403.1516.

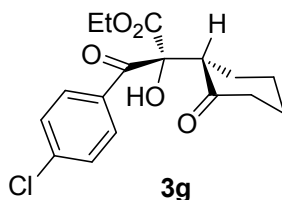


(R)-Ethyl 2-Hydroxy-3-oxo-2-[(S)-2-oxocyclohexyl]-3-phenylpropanoate (3f). Colorless liquid (51% yield); TLC *R_f* = 0.43 (3:1 hexanes/EtOAc). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.07 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.57-7.53 (m, 1H), 7.45-7.42 (comp, 2H), 4.59 (s, 1H), 4.34-4.20 (comp, 2H), 3.85 (dd, *J* = 16.5 Hz, 6.5 Hz, 1H), 2.55-2.40 (comp, 2H), 2.18-2.13 (m, 1H), 2.00-1.63 (comp, 3H), 1.23 (t, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 212.68, 195.74, 169.27, 134.68, 133.00, 129.76, 128.25, 84.73, 62.63, 56.08, 42.53, 28.49, 28.02, 24.95, 13.99. Enantiomeric excess: 99% (Diacel Chirapak OD-H, hexanes/i-PrOH = 97:3, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, 230 nm, major enantiomer *tr* = 17.0 min, minor enantiomer *tr* = 20.1 min). HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calculated for [C₁₇H₂₀O₅+Na]⁺

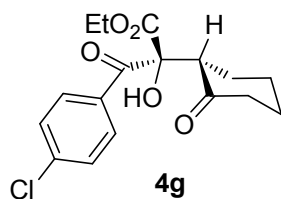
[M+Na]⁺ 327.1203, found: 327.1200.



(S)-Ethyl 2-Hydroxy-3-oxo-2-((S)-2-oxocyclohexyl)-3-phenylpropanoate (4f). Colorless liquid (12% yield); TLC R_f = 0.50 (3:1 hexanes/EtOAc). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.10 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.58-7.54 (m, 1H), 7.46-7.42 (comp, 2H), 4.30-4.21 (comp, 3H), 3.88-3.83 (m, 1H), 2.47-2.37 (comp, 2H), 2.14-2.10 (m, 1H), 2.04-2.00 (m, 1H), 1.93-1.92 (m, 1H), 1.86-1.67 (comp, 3H), 1.24 (t, J = 8.5 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 212.12, 197.09, 171.31, 135.92, 133.52, 130.29, 128.55, 85.72, 63.29, 57.43, 42.65, 28.81, 27.77, 25.18, 14.30. Enantiomeric excess: 98% (Diacel Chirapak OD-H, hexanes/*i*-PrOH = 99:1, flow rate 0.6 mL/min, 254 nm, major enantiomer t_r = 31.1 min, minor enantiomer t_r = 32.9 min). HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for [C₁₇H₂₀O₅+Na]⁺ [M+Na]⁺ 327.1203, found: 327.1197.

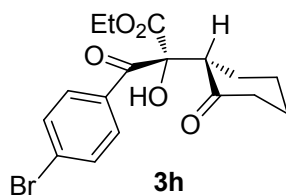


(R)-Ethyl 3-(4-Chlorophenyl)-2-hydroxy-3-oxo-2-[(S)-2-oxocyclohexyl]propanoate (3g). Colorless liquid (58% yield); TLC R_f = 0.46 (3:1 hexanes/EtOAc). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.01 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.37 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 4.55 (s, 1H), 4.27-4.19 (comp, 2H), 3.80 (dd, J = 12.5 Hz, 5.5 Hz, 1H), 2.50-2.44 (m, 1H), 2.39-2.36 (m, 1H), 2.14-2.10 (m, 1H), 1.97-1.89 (comp, 2H), 1.86-1.70 (comp, 2H), 1.68-1.59 (m, 1H), 1.20 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 212.67, 194.62, 169.07, 139.43, 133.00, 131.33, 128.54, 84.81, 62.76, 56.07, 42.48, 28.41, 27.99, 24.90, 14.01. Enantiomeric excess: 99% (Diacel Chirapak OJ-H, hexanes/*i*-PrOH = 80:20, flow rate 0.8 mL/min, 254 nm, major enantiomer t_r = 9.1 min, minor enantiomer t_r = 11.7 min). HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for [C₁₇H₁₉ClO₅+Na]⁺ [M+Na]⁺ 361.0813, found: 361.0810.



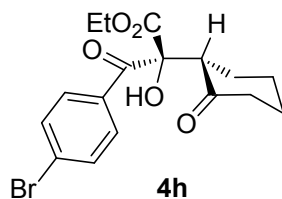
(S)-Ethyl 3-(4-Chlorophenyl)-2-hydroxy-3-oxo-2-[(S)-2-oxocyclohexyl]propanoate (4g).

Colorless liquid (7% yield); TLC R_f = 0.55 (3:1 hexanes/EtOAc). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.09 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.40 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 4.30-4.19 (comp, 3H), 3.82 (dd, J = 12.0 Hz, 5.5 Hz, 1H), 2.46-2.38 (comp, 2H), 2.13-2.11 (m, 1H), 2.00-2.19 (m, 1H), 1.92-1.91 (m, 1H), 1.83-1.70 (comp, 3H), 1.23 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 211.95, 195.31, 170.71, 139.71, 133.70, 131.57, 128.46, 85.47, 62.97, 57.02, 42.23, 28.47, 27.41, 24.76, 13.89. Enantiomeric excess: 94% (Diacel Chirapak OJ-H, hexanes/*i*-PrOH = 80:20, flow rate 0.8 mL/min, 254 nm, major enantiomer t_r = 8.0 min, minor enantiomer t_r = 10.0 min). HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{19}\text{ClO}_5+\text{Na}]^+ [\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 361.0813, found: 361.0811.



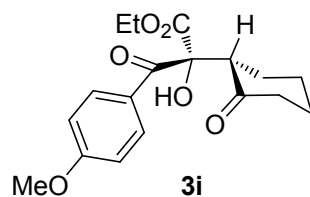
(R)-Ethyl 3-(4-Bromophenyl)-2-hydroxy-3-oxo-2-[(S)-2-oxocyclohexyl]propanoate (3h).

White solid (56% yield); mp = 61.7-63.1 °C; TLC R_f = 0.42 (3:1 hexanes/EtOAc). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.94 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.55 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 4.54 (s, 1H), 4.30-4.20 (comp, 2H), 3.81 (dd, J = 12.5 Hz, 6.0 Hz, 1H), 2.52-2.45 (m, 1H), 2.41-2.38 (m, 1H), 2.16-2.11 (m, 1H), 1.98-1.90 (comp, 2H), 1.88-1.60 (comp, 3H), 1.22 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 212.68, 194.88, 169.06, 133.43, 131.56, 131.41, 128.26, 84.82, 62.79, 56.11, 42.50, 28.42, 28.00, 24.91, 14.03. Enantiomeric excess: 99% (Diacel Chirapak OJ-H, hexanes/*i*-PrOH = 80:20, flow rate 0.8 mL/min, 254 nm, major enantiomer t_r = 9.5 min, minor enantiomer t_r = 12.1 min). HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{19}\text{BrO}_5+\text{Na}]^+ [\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 405.0308, found: 405.0298.



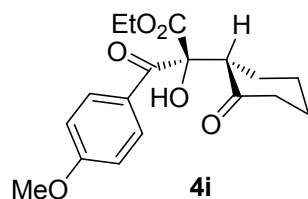
(S)-Ethyl 3-(4-Bromophenyl)-2-hydroxy-3-oxo-2-[(S)-2-oxocyclohexyl]propanoate (4h).

Colorless liquid (6% yield); TLC R_f = 0.36 (10:1 hexanes/EtOAc). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.00 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.56 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 4.29-4.19 (comp, 3H), 3.81 (dd, J = 12.0 Hz, 5.5 Hz, 1H), 2.46-2.37 (comp, 2H), 2.13-2.10 (m, 1H), 2.02-1.99 (m, 1H), 1.92-1.91 (m, 1H), 1.82-1.68 (comp, 3H), 1.22 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 211.93, 195.56, 170.68, 134.14, 131.62, 131.45, 128.51, 85.46, 62.98, 57.01, 42.22, 28.45, 27.39, 24.75, 13.89. Enantiomeric excess: 95% (Diacel Chirapak OJ-H, hexanes/*i*-PrOH = 80:20, flow rate 0.8 mL/min, 254 nm, major enantiomer t_r = 8.5 min, minor enantiomer t_r = 10.6 min). HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{19}\text{BrO}_5 + \text{Na}]^+ [\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$ 405.0308, found: 405.0305.



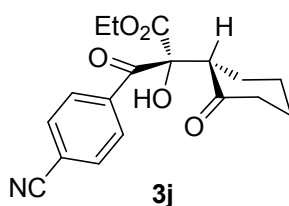
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Colorless liquid (25% yield); TLC R_f = 0.26 (3:1 hexanes/EtOAc). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.13 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 6.89 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 4.68 (s, 1H), 4.28-4.17 (comp, 2H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 3.80 (dd, J = 12.5 Hz, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 2.54-2.48 (m, 1H), 2.40-2.37 (m, 1H), 2.16-2.12 (m, 1H), 1.97-1.91 (comp, 2H), 1.90-1.84 (m, 1H), 1.81-1.62 (comp, 2H), 1.19 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 213.28, 193.49, 169.37, 163.54, 132.45, 127.19, 113.52, 84.77, 62.39, 55.66, 55.43, 42.68, 28.75, 28.26, 25.05, 14.02. Enantiomeric excess: 99% (Diacel Chirapak AD-H, hexanes/*i*-PrOH = 70:30, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm, major enantiomer t_r = 15.2 min, minor enantiomer t_r = 26.2 min). HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{22}\text{O}_6 + \text{Na}]^+ [\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$ 357.1308, found: 357.1306.



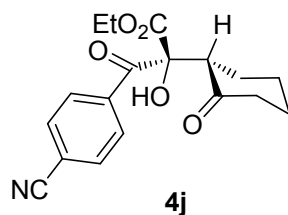
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Colorless liquid (4% yield); TLC R_f = 0.32 (3:1 hexanes/EtOAc). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.20 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 6.91 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 4.29 (s, 1H), 4.28-4.19 (comp, 2H), 3.89-3.83 (comp, 4H), 2.46-2.37 (comp, 2H), 2.12-2.09 (m, 1H), 2.00-1.99 (m, 1H), 1.91-1.89 (m, 1H), 1.82-1.71 (comp, 3H), 1.22 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 211.90, 194.10, 171.20, 163.66, 132.78, 127.96, 113.43, 85.23, 62.70, 57.03, 55.45, 42.30, 28.46, 27.47, 24.80, 13.90. Enantiomeric excess: 98% (Diacel Chirapak AD-H, hexanes/*i*-PrOH = 70:30, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm, major enantiomer t_r = 12.0 min, minor enantiomer t_r = 23.1 min). HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{22}\text{O}_6 + \text{Na}]^+$ $[\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$ 357.1308, found: 357.1300.

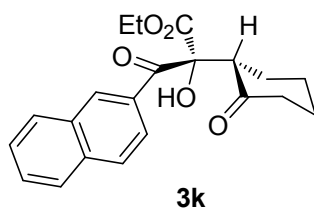


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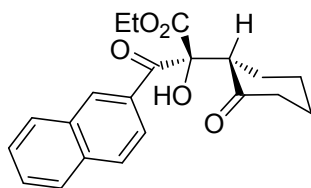
White solid (70% yield); mp = 84.2-85.3 °C; TLC R_f = 0.29 (3:1 hexanes/EtOAc). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.08 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.71 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 4.40 (s, 1H), 4.33-4.23 (comp, 2H), 3.84 (dd, J = 12.5 Hz, 6.0 Hz, 1H), 2.49-2.39 (comp, 2H), 2.15-2.12 (m, 1H), 1.99-1.96 (m, 1H), 1.92-1.72 (comp, 3H), 1.68-1.60 (m, 1H), 1.24 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 211.91, 195.65, 169.00, 138.66, 131.94, 130.06, 118.02, 115.82, 84.82, 63.23, 56.79, 42.28, 28.02, 27.67, 24.75, 14.03. Enantiomeric excess: 99% (Diacel Chirapak OD-H, hexanes/*i*-PrOH = 80:20, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm, major enantiomer t_r = 8.9 min, minor enantiomer t_r = 9.9 min). HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{19}\text{NO}_5 + \text{Na}]^+$ $[\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$ 352.1155, found: 352.1150.



(S)-Ethyl 3-(4-Cyanophenyl)-2-hydroxy-3-oxo-2-[(S)-2-oxocyclohexyl]propanoate (4j). White solid (13% yield); mp = 102.2-105.7 °C; TLC R_f = 0.39 (3:1 hexanes/EtOAc). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.16 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.72 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 4.31-4.20 (comp, 3H), 3.80 (dd, J = 12.0 Hz, 5.5 Hz, 1H), 2.47-2.37 (comp, 2H), 2.14-2.11 (m, 1H), 2.01-1.93 (comp, 2H), 1.82-1.67 (comp, 3H), 1.23 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 211.82, 195.92, 170.30, 138.94, 131.85, 130.30, 117.95, 116.12, 85.58, 63.21, 57.03, 42.16, 28.44, 27.33, 24.70, 13.89. Enantiomeric excess: 96% (Diacel Chirapak OD-H, hexanes/i-PrOH = 90:10, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm, major enantiomer tr = 12.4 min, minor enantiomer tr = 13.5 min). HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{19}\text{NO}_5 + \text{Na}]^+$ $[\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$ 352.1155, found: 352.1154.



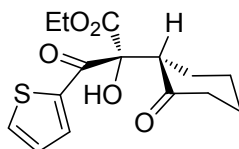
(R)-Ethyl 2-Hydroxy-3-(naphthalen-2-yl)-3-oxo-2-[(S)-2-oxocyclohexyl]propanoate (3k). Colorless liquid (45% yield); TLC R_f = 0.41 (3:1 hexanes/EtOAc). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.78 (s, 1H), 8.07 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.96 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.87-7.84 (comp, 2H), 7.60-7.51 (comp, 2H), 4.73 (s, 1H), 4.33-4.21 (comp, 2H), 3.91 (dd, J = 12.5 Hz, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 2.56-2.49 (m, 1H), 2.43-2.41 (m, 1H), 2.16-2.14 (m, 1H), 2.00-1.90 (comp, 3H), 1.84-1.64 (comp, 2H), 1.21 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 212.89, 195.42, 169.37, 135.45, 132.30, 131.89, 129.93, 128.60, 128.04, 127.64, 126.60, 125.34, 85.01, 62.64, 56.12, 42.59, 28.60, 28.10, 24.99, 14.05. Enantiomeric excess: 99% (Diacel Chirapak AD-H, hexanes/i-PrOH = 70:30, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm, major enantiomer tr = 30.2 min, minor enantiomer tr = 36.5 min). HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{22}\text{O}_5 + \text{Na}]^+$ $[\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$ 377.1359, found: 377.1359.



4k

(S)-Ethyl 2-Hydroxy-3-(naphthalen-2-yl)-3-oxo-2-[(S)-2-oxocyclohexyl]propanoate (4k).

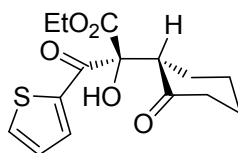
Colorless liquid (12% yield); TLC R_f = 0.48 (3:1 hexanes/EtOAc). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.82 (s, 1H), 8.07 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.98 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.87-7.85 (comp, 2H), 7.72-7.59 (m, 1H), 7.56-7.53 (m, 1H), 4.39 (s, 1H), 4.32-4.22 (comp, 2H), 3.91 (dd, J = 12.0 Hz, 5.5 Hz, 1H), 2.48-2.40 (comp, 2H), 2.14-2.05 (comp, 2H), 1.94-1.91 (m, 1H), 1.88-1.67 (comp, 3H), 1.24 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 211.81, 196.28, 171.01, 135.44, 132.69, 132.25, 132.23, 130.01, 128.70, 127.84, 127.61, 126.61, 125.35, 85.57, 62.88, 57.14, 42.29, 28.49, 27.39, 24.80, 13.93. Enantiomeric excess: 97% (Diacel Chirapak AD-H, hexanes/*i*-PrOH = 70:30, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm, major enantiomer t_r = 12.5 min, minor enantiomer t_r = 24.9 min). HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{22}\text{O}_5 + \text{Na}]^+$ $[\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$ 377.1359, found: 377.1354.



3l

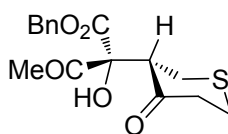
(R)-Ethyl 2-Hydroxy-3-(thiophen-2-yl)-3-oxo-2-[(S)-2-oxocyclohexyl]propanoate (3l).

Yellow liquid (67% yield); TLC R_f = 0.32 (3:1 hexanes/EtOAc). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.10 (dd, J = 4.0 Hz, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (dd, J = 5.0 Hz, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.06 (dd, J = 5.0 Hz, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 4.65 (s, 1H), 4.25-4.13 (comp, 2H), 3.77 (dd, J = 12.0 Hz, 6.0 Hz, 1H), 2.47-2.40 (m, 1H), 2.37-2.33 (m, 1H), 2.11-2.06 (m, 1H), 1.93-1.79 (comp, 3H), 1.77-1.68 (m, 1H), 1.66-1.57 (m, 1H), 1.17 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 211.98, 187.99, 169.07, 139.26, 135.32, 134.91, 127.89, 84.74, 62.79, 55.72, 42.42, 28.33, 27.87, 24.88, 13.97. Enantiomeric excess: 99% (Diacel Chirapak OD-H, hexanes/*i*-PrOH = 90:10, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm, major enantiomer t_r = 12.6 min, minor enantiomer t_r = 15.3 min). HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}_5\text{S} + \text{Na}]^+$ $[\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$ 333.0767, found: 333.0766.



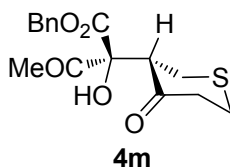
4l

(S)-Ethyl 2-Hydroxy-3-oxo-2-[(S)-2-oxocyclohexyl]-3-(thiophen-2-yl)propanoate (4l). Yellow solid (9% yield); mp = 69.7-70.4 °C; TLC R_f = 0.42 (3:1 hexanes/EtOAc). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.22 (dd, J = 4.0 Hz, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.69 (dd, J = 5.0 Hz, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.12 (dd, J = 5.0 Hz, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 4.36 (s, 1H), 4.27-4.17 (comp, 2H), 3.81 (dd, J = 12.0 Hz, 5.5 Hz, 1H), 2.45-2.36 (comp, 2H), 2.12-2.09 (m, 1H), 2.04-2.01 (m, 1H), 1.91-1.89 (m, 1H), 1.85-1.66 (comp, 3H), 1.22 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 211.22, 188.44, 170.59, 139.06, 136.38, 135.94, 127.80, 84.81, 62.99, 56.84, 42.19, 28.23, 27.40, 24.72, 13.86. Enantiomeric excess: 92% (Diacel Chirapak AD-H, hexanes/*i*-PrOH = 92:8, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm, major enantiomer tr = 25.7 min, minor enantiomer tr = 27.5 min). HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}_5\text{S}+\text{Na}]^+$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 333.0767, found: 333.0760.



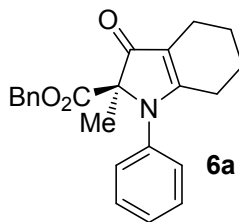
3m

(R)-Benzyl 2-Hydroxy-3-oxo-2-[(S)-4-oxotetrahydro-2H-thiopyran-3-yl]butanoate (3m). White solid (56% yield); mp = 92.4-94.0 °C; TLC R_f = 0.29 (3:1 hexanes/EtOAc). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.38-7.33 (comp, 5H), 5.28 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 5.19 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 3.94 (dd, J = 12.0 Hz, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 3.04-2.99 (m, 1H), 2.96-2.90 (m, 1H), 2.86-2.84 (m, 1H), 2.77-2.67 (comp, 2H), 2.53-2.50 (m, 1H), 2.27 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 206.56, 203.38, 169.21, 134.49, 128.90, 128.77, 128.36, 84.98, 68.71, 58.55, 44.37, 30.10, 29.59, 24.70. Enantiomeric excess: 99% (Diacel Chirapak OD-H, hexanes/*i*-PrOH = 80:20, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, 210 nm, major enantiomer tr = 10.2 min, minor enantiomer tr = 12.2 min). HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}_5\text{S}+\text{Na}]^+$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 345.0767, found: 345.0757.



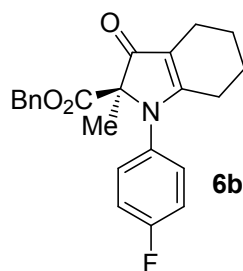
(S)-Benzyl 2-Hydroxy-3-oxo-2-[(S)-4-oxotetrahydro-2H-thiopyran-3-yl]butanoate (4m).

Yellow solid (17% yield); mp = 63.4-64.8 °C; TLC R_f = 0.42 (3:1 hexanes/EtOAc). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.38-7.33 (comp, 3H), 7.29-7.27 (comp, 2H), 5.19 (d, J = 12.5 Hz, 1H), 5.16 (d, J = 12.5 Hz, 1H), 4.16 (s, 1H), 3.95 (dd, J = 12.0 Hz, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 3.01-2.93 (comp, 2H), 2.90-2.86 (m, 1H), 2.74-2.64 (comp, 3H), 2.23 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 207.70, 204.79, 169.63, 134.67, 128.61, 128.21, 84.71, 68.50, 57.71, 44.55, 30.38, 30.10, 25.55, 25.54. Enantiomeric excess: 89% (Diacel Chirapak OD-H, hexanes/i-PrOH = 80:20, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, 210 nm, major enantiomer tr = 9.5 min, minor enantiomer tr = 11.1 min). HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}_5\text{S}+\text{Na}]^+ [\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 345.0767, found: 345.0757.

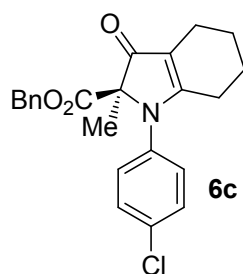


(R)-Benzyl 2-Methyl-3-oxo-1-phenyl-2,3,4,5,6,7-hexahydro-1H-indole-2-carboxylate (6a).

Yellow liquid (87% yield); TLC R_f = 0.33 (3:1 hexanes/EtOAc). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.26-7.18 (comp, 8H), 6.91-6.90 (comp, 2H), 5.13 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 5.04 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 2.30-2.20 (comp, 4H), 1.67-1.55 (comp, 4H), 1.46 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 195.52, 174.87, 167.59, 137.24, 135.43, 129.24, 128.46, 128.17, 128.04, 127.98, 127.46, 107.56, 74.97, 67.30, 25.46, 22.16, 22.08, 18.99, 18.93. Enantiomeric excess: 99% (Diacel Chirapak AD-H, hexanes/i-PrOH = 90:10, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, 210 nm, major enantiomer tr = 12.8 min, minor enantiomer tr = 14.5 min). HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{23}\text{NO}_3+\text{Na}]^+ [\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 384.1570, found: 384.1568.

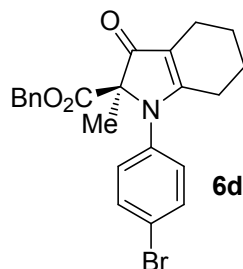


(R)-Benzyl 1-(4-Fluorophenyl)-2-methyl-3-oxo-2,3,4,5,6,7-hexahydro-1H-indole-2-carboxylate (6b). Yellow solid (84% yield); mp = 64.5-65.2 °C; TLC R_f = 0.31 (3:1 hexanes/EtOAc). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.33-7.26 (comp, 5H), 6.96-6.93 (comp, 4H), 5.21 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 5.08 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 2.30-2.23 (comp, 4H), 1.74-1.70 (comp, 4H), 1.53 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 195.38, 174.96, 167.39, 161.70 (d, J = 247 Hz), 135.34, 133.06, 133.04, 130.25 (d, J = 8.6 Hz), 128.52, 128.31, 128.20, 116.17 (d, J = 22.5 Hz), 107.45, 74.96, 67.39, 25.21, 22.06, 22.02, 18.95, 18.93. Enantiomeric excess: 99% (Diacel Chirapak AD-H, hexanes/*i*-PrOH = 95:5, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, 210 nm, major enantiomer t_r = 24.5 min, minor enantiomer t_r = 26.3 min). HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{22}\text{FNO}_3 + \text{Na}]^+ [\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$ 402.1476, found: 402.1474.

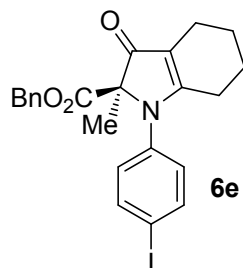


(R)-Benzyl 1-(4-Chlorophenyl)-2-methyl-3-oxo-2,3,4,5,6,7-hexahydro-1H-indole-2-carboxylate (6c). Yellow solid (84% yield); mp = 68.2-68.8 °C; TLC R_f = 0.36 (3:1 hexanes/EtOAc). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.34-7.33 (comp, 3H), 7.29-7.26 (comp, 2H), 7.21 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.90 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 5.21 (d, J = 12.5 Hz, 1H), 5.08 (d, J = 12.5 Hz, 1H), 2.32-2.28 (comp, 4H), 1.76-1.66 (comp, 4H), 1.54 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 195.38, 174.54, 167.34, 135.76, 135.29, 133.26, 129.44, 129.22, 128.53, 128.33, 128.21, 108.15, 74.91, 67.45, 25.40, 22.11, 21.97, 19.04, 18.95. Enantiomeric excess: 99% (Diacel Chirapak IC-3, hexanes/*i*-PrOH = 70:30, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, 210 nm, major enantiomer t_r = 22.3 min, minor enantiomer t_r = 25.3 min). HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{22}\text{ClNO}_3 + \text{Na}]^+ [\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$

418.1180, found: 418.1175.

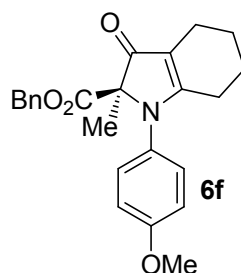


(R)-Benzyl 1-(4-Bromophenyl)-2-methyl-3-oxo-2,3,4,5,6,7-hexahydro-1H-indole-2-carboxylate (6d). Yellow liquid (82% yield); TLC R_f = 0.37 (3:1 hexanes/EtOAc). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.37-7.33 (comp, 5H), 7.29-7.26 (comp, 2H), 6.83 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 5.21 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 5.09 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 2.33-2.29 (comp, 4H), 1.76-1.67 (comp, 4H), 1.54 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 195.37, 174.47, 167.34, 136.28, 135.28, 132.44, 129.45, 128.54, 128.35, 128.22, 121.18, 108.25, 74.86, 67.47, 25.44, 22.12, 21.96, 19.07, 18.95. Enantiomeric excess: 99% (Diacel Chirapak IC-3, hexanes/*i*-PrOH = 70:30, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, 210 nm, major enantiomer t_r = 23.0 min, minor enantiomer t_r = 26.3 min). HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{22}\text{BrNO}_3 + \text{Na}]^+ [\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$ 462.0675, found: 462.0672.

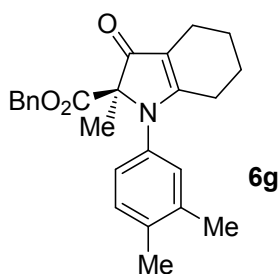


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calculated for $[C_{23}H_{22}IO_3+Na]^+$ $[M+Na]^+$ 510.0536, found: 510.0535.

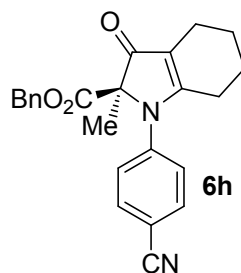


(R)-Benzyl 1-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-2-methyl-3-oxo-2,3,4,5,6,7-hexahydro-1H-indole-2-carboxylate (6f). Yellow liquid (84% yield); TLC R_f = 0.23 (3:1 hexanes/EtOAc). 1H NMR (500 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.33-7.26 (comp, 5H), 6.91 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.75 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 5.19 (d, J = 12.5 Hz, 1H), 5.08 (d, J = 12.5 Hz, 1H), 3.77 (s, 3H), 2.35-2.16 (comp, 4H), 1.71-1.63 (comp, 4H), 1.53 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 195.45, 175.61, 167.58, 158.98, 135.45, 129.87, 129.53, 128.48, 128.19, 128.10, 114.38, 106.55, 75.05, 67.23, 55.43, 25.15, 22.12, 22.07, 18.98, 18.89. Enantiomeric excess: 99% (Diacel Chirapak AD-H, hexanes/i-PrOH = 90:10, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, 210 nm, major enantiomer tr = 17.6 min, minor enantiomer tr = 19.6 min). HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[C_{24}H_{25}NO_4+Na]^+$ $[M+Na]^+$ 414.1676, found: 414.1677.

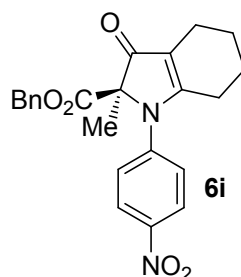


(R)-Benzyl 1-(3,4-Dimethylphenyl)-2-methyl-3-oxo-2,3,4,5,6,7-hexahydro-1H-indole-2-carboxylate (6g). Yellow liquid (87% yield); TLC R_f = 0.35 (3:1 hexanes/EtOAc). 1H NMR (500 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.33-7.26 (comp, 5H), 7.01 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.75 (s, 1H), 6.71 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 5.20 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 5.10 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 2.30-2.26 (comp, 4H), 2.22 (s, 3H), 2.13 (s, 3H), 1.73-1.64 (comp, 4H), 1.53 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 195.53, 175.23, 167.69, 137.66, 136.26, 135.55, 134.73, 130.25, 129.08, 128.45, 128.13, 128.04, 125.48, 106.90, 75.00, 67.21, 25.39, 22.15, 19.73, 19.28, 19.01, 18.89. Enantiomeric excess: 99% (Diacel Chirapak AD-H, hexanes/i-PrOH = 90:10, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, 210 nm, major enantiomer tr = 9.4 min, minor enantiomer tr = 12.0 min). HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[C_{25}H_{27}NO_3+Na]^+$

[M+Na]⁺ 412.1883, found: 412.1884.



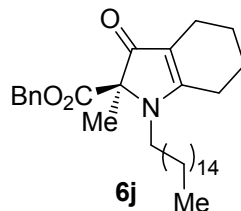
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(R)-Benzyl 2-Methyl-1-(4-nitrophenyl)-3-oxo-2,3,4,5,6,7-hexahydro-1H-indole-2-carboxylate (6i). Yellow liquid (85% yield); TLC R_f = 0.30 (3:1 hexanes/EtOAc). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.05 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.33-7.25 (comp, 5H), 6.98 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 5.24 (d, J = 12.5 Hz, 1H), 5.08 (d, J = 12.5 Hz, 1H), 2.51-2.50 (comp, 2H), 2.35-2.34 (comp, 2H), 1.86-1.81 (comp, 2H), 1.74-1.67 (comp, 2H), 1.59 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 195.08, 172.76, 167.00, 144.72, 143.36, 134.99, 128.56, 128.38, 124.95, 124.85, 111.85, 74.82, 67.85, 26.56, 22.36, 21.61, 19.30, 19.01. Enantiomeric excess: 99% (Diacel Chirapak AD-H, hexanes/i-PrOH = 90:10, flow

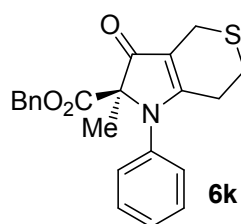
rate 1.0 mL/min, 210 nm, major enantiomer *tr* = 29.0 min, minor enantiomer *tr* = 33.3 min).

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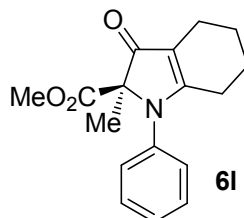
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Yellow liquid (46% yield); TLC *R_f* = 0.34 (3:1 hexanes/EtOAc). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.35-7.28 (comp, 5H), 5.18 (d, *J* = 12.5 Hz, 1H), 5.14 (d, *J* = 12.5 Hz, 1H), 7.30-7.23 (m, 1H), 3.09-3.02 (m, 1H), 2.49-2.48 (m, 1H), 2.43-2.41 (m, 1H), 2.25-2.23 (comp, 2H), 1.80-1.79 (comp, 2H), 1.69-1.10 (comp, 2H), 1.59 (s, 3H), 1.47-1.45 (comp, 2H), 1.31-1.22 (comp, 26H), 0.89 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.27, 175.90, 168.05, 135.60, 128.47, 128.14, 127.82, 105.05, 73.89, 67.22, 44.14, 31.92, 30.37, 29.70, 29.66, 29.62, 29.55, 29.52, 29.36, 29.20, 27.02, 24.47, 22.69, 22.13, 22.05, 19.04, 18.80, 14.12. Enantiomeric excess: 99% (Diacel Chirapak AD-H, hexanes/*i*-PrOH = 95:5, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, 230 nm, major enantiomer *tr* = 7.2 min, minor enantiomer *tr* = 9.2 min). HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calculated for [C₃₃H₅₁NO₃+Na]⁺ [M+Na]⁺ 532.3761, found: 532.3753.



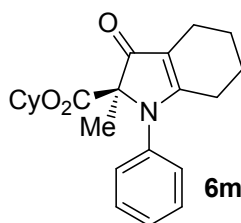
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mL/min, 230 nm, major enantiomer t_r = 19.7 min, minor enantiomer t_r = 25.5 min). HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[C_{22}H_{21}NO_3S+Na]^+$ $[M+Na]^+$ 402.1134, found: 402.1127.



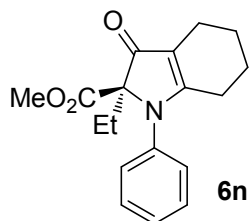
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Yellow solid (89% yield); mp = 96.5-97.9 °C; TLC R_f = 0.21 (3:1 hexanes/EtOAc). 1H NMR (500 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.38 (comp, 2H), 7.32-7.29 (m, 1H), 7.11 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.71 (s, 3H), 2.33-2.28 (comp, 4H), 1.76-1.65 (comp, 4H), 1.52 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 195.53, 175.08, 168.23, 137.31, 129.35, 128.15, 127.69, 107.33, 74.98, 52.84, 25.44, 22.10, 22.03, 19.08, 18.95. Enantiomeric excess: 99% (Diacel Chirapak AD-H, hexanes/*i*-PrOH = 96:4, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm, major enantiomer t_r = 18.2 min, minor enantiomer t_r = 19.8 min). HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[C_{17}H_{19}NO_3+Na]^+$ $[M+Na]^+$ 308.1257, found: 308.1257.



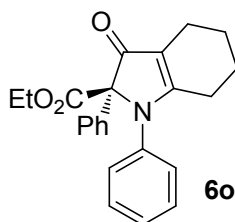
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Yellow liquid (88% yield); TLC R_f = 0.42 (3:1 hexanes/EtOAc). 1H NMR (500 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.35-7.33 (comp, 2H), 7.28-7.26 (m, 1H), 7.12-7.10 (comp, 2H), 4.79-4.76 (m, 1H), 2.36-2.28 (comp, 4H), 1.78-1.56 (comp, 9H), 1.50 (s, 3H), 1.49-1.23 (comp, 7H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 195.78, 174.61, 167.03, 137.49, 129.23, 127.72, 127.29, 107.57, 75.22, 73.91, 31.12, 30.98, 25.57, 25.31, 23.18, 23.09, 22.25, 22.12, 19.02, 18.71. Enantiomeric excess: 99% (Diacel Chirapak AD-H, hexanes/*i*-PrOH = 95:5, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, 210 nm, major enantiomer t_r = 12.2 min, minor enantiomer t_r = 15.8 min). HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[C_{22}H_{27}NO_3+Na]^+$ $[M+Na]^+$ 376.1883, found: 376.1874.

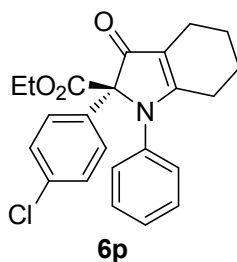


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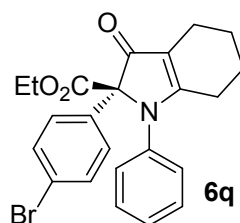
White solid (28% yield); mp = 121.0-123.0 °C; TLC R_f = 0.25 (3:1 hexanes/EtOAc). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.31-7.28 (comp, 2H), 7.23-7.19 (m, 1H), 7.04-7.02 (comp, 2H), 3.62 (s, 3H), 2.37-2.31 (comp, 3H), 2.25-2.24 (comp, 2H), 1.90-1.87 (m, 1H), 1.70-1.58 (comp, 5H), 0.69 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 194.62, 175.95, 167.99, 137.42, 129.30, 127.06, 126.97, 109.58, 79.19, 52.74, 25.78, 24.72, 22.30, 22.05, 18.85, 7.01. Enantiomeric excess: 99% (Diacel Chirapak IC-3, hexanes/*i*-PrOH = 70:30, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, 210 nm, major enantiomer t_r = 21.8 min, minor enantiomer t_r = 29.5 min). HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{21}\text{NO}_3 + \text{Na}]^+$ $[\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$ 322.1413, found: 322.1414.



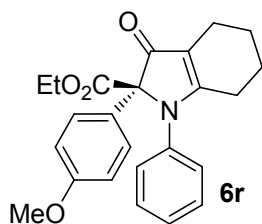
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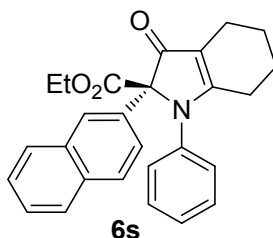
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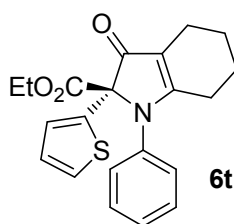
(R)-Ethyl 2-(4-Bromophenyl)-3-oxo-1-phenyl-2,3,4,5,6,7-hexahydro-1H-indole-2-carboxylate (6q). Yellow solid (46% yield); mp = 126.9-129.8 °C; TLC R_f = 0.43 (3:1 hexanes/EtOAc). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.43 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.25-7.23 (comp, 3H), 7.15 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.95-6.93 (comp, 2H), 4.18 (q, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 2.59-2.54 (m, 1H), 2.42-2.38 (m, 1H), 2.34-2.30 (comp, 2H), 1.87-1.84 (m, 1H), 1.78-1.70 (comp, 3H), 1.14 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 193.49, 175.92, 166.30, 137.63, 134.26, 131.42, 130.44, 128.96, 127.68, 127.22, 122.63, 108.42, 81.41, 62.40, 26.07, 22.26, 21.99, 19.10, 13.96. Enantiomeric excess: 99% (Diacel Chirapak OD-H, hexanes/*i*-PrOH/MeOH = 94:4:2, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm, major enantiomer t_r = 8.2 min, minor enantiomer t_r = 8.8 min). HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{22}\text{BrNO}_3 + \text{Na}]^+ [\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$ 462.0675, found: 462.0672.



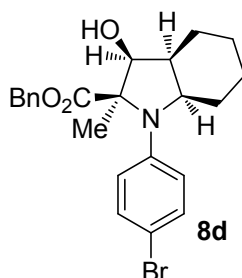
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(R)-Ethyl 2-(Naphthalen-2-yl)-3-oxo-1-phenyl-2,3,4,5,6,7-hexahydro-1H-indole-2-carboxylate (6s). Yellow solid (61% yield); mp = 162.6-165.5 °C; TLC R_f = 0.33(3:1 hexanes/EtOAc). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.85 (s, 1H), 7.80 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.73 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.50-7.46 (comp, 2H), 7.22-7.19 (comp, 4H), 6.96-6.94 (comp, 2H), 4.25 (q, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 2.61-2.56 (m, 1H), 2.48-2.31 (comp, 3H), 1.89-1.87 (m, 1H), 1.81-1.78 (comp, 3H), 1.19 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 193.73, 175.85, 166.73, 137.79, 133.12, 133.00, 132.69, 128.80, 128.49, 128.19, 127.77, 127.44, 127.19, 126.45, 126.34, 126.01, 108.22, 82.17, 77.30, 77.05, 76.80, 62.34, 26.02, 22.31, 22.09, 19.20, 14.03. Enantiomeric excess: 99% (Diacel Chirapak OD-H, hexanes/*i*-PrOH = 90:10, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm, major enantiomer t_r = 9.6 min, minor enantiomer t_r = 12.0 min). HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{25}\text{NO}_3+\text{Na}]^+$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 434.1726, found: 434.1721.

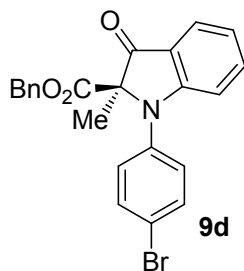


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(2R,3S,3aS,7aR)-Benzyl 1-(4-Bromophenyl)-3-hydroxy-2-methyloctahydro-1H-indole-2-carboxylate (8d). White solid (81% yield); mp = 43.0-45.3 °C; TLC R_f = 0.20 (3:1 hexanes/EtOAc). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.34-7.28 (comp, 5H), 7.19 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 6.37 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 5.26 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 5.21 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 4.20-4.18 (t, J = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 3.91-3.87 (m, 1H), 2.46-2.40 (m, 1H), 2.31 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 2.18-2.15 (m, 1H), 1.95-1.92 (m, 1H), 1.74-1.51 (comp, 8H), 1.23-1.20 (m, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 173.29, 143.07, 135.46, 131.46, 128.50, 128.31, 128.27, 116.36, 108.36, 85.46, 72.64, 67.23, 58.77, 38.10, 27.21, 23.43, 22.31, 20.86. Enantiomeric excess: 99% (Diacel Chirapak OD-H, hexanes/*i*-PrOH = 95:5, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm, major enantiomer t_r = 8.4 min, minor enantiomer t_r = 9.5

min). HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[C_{23}H_{26}BrNO_3S+Na]^+$ $[M+Na]^+$ 466.0988, found: 466.0990.



(R)-Benzyl 1-(4-Bromophenyl)-2-methyl-3-oxoindoline-2-carboxylate (9d). Yellow solid (65% yield); mp = 63.7-64.8 °C; TLC R_f = 0.22 (3:1 hexanes/EtOAc). 1H NMR (500 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.72 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.50-7.46 (m, 1H), 7.40 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.34-7.32 (comp, 3H), 7.23-7.21 (comp, 2H), 6.98 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 6.94-6.91 (comp, 2H), 5.24 (d, J = 12.5 Hz, 1H), 5.06 (d, J = 12.5 Hz, 1H), 1.60 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 196.36, 167.80, 159.30, 137.85, 137.61, 135.00, 132.83, 128.54, 128.44, 128.31, 127.28, 125.62, 119.93, 119.78, 111.35, 74.85, 67.72, 19.05. Enantiomeric excess: 98% (Diacel Chirapak AD-H, hexanes/*i*-PrOH = 90:10, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm, major enantiomer tr = 10.2 min, minor enantiomer tr = 10.9 min). HRMS (ESI) m/z calculated for $[C_{23}H_{18}BrNO_3+Na]^+$ $[M+Na]^+$ 458.0368, found: 458.0366.

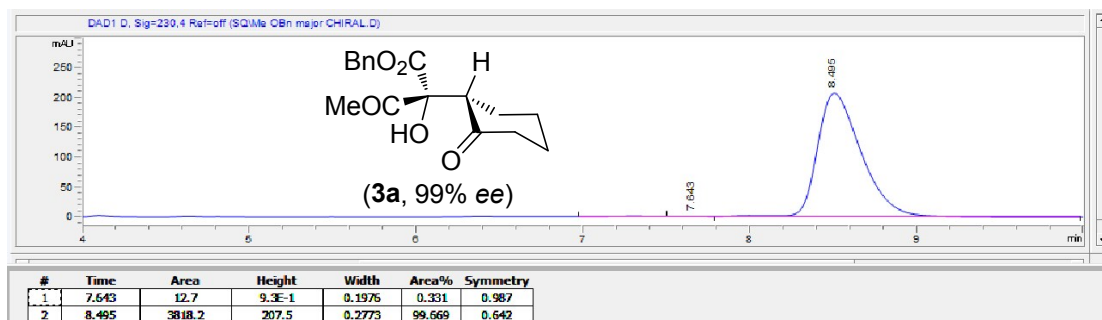
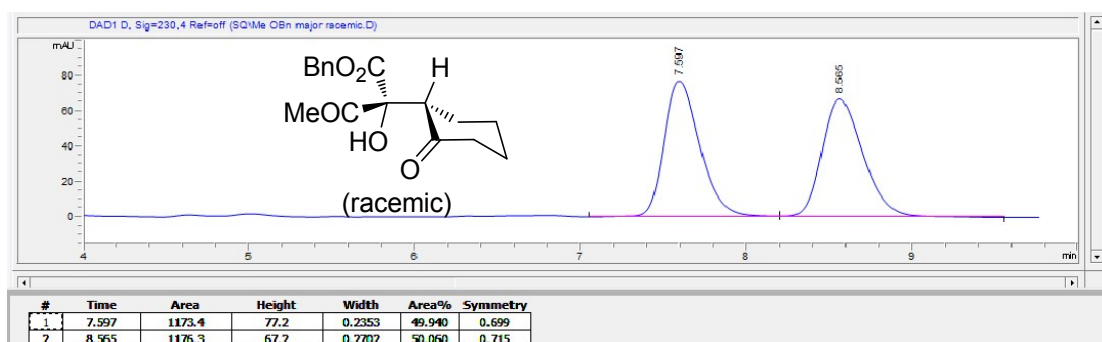
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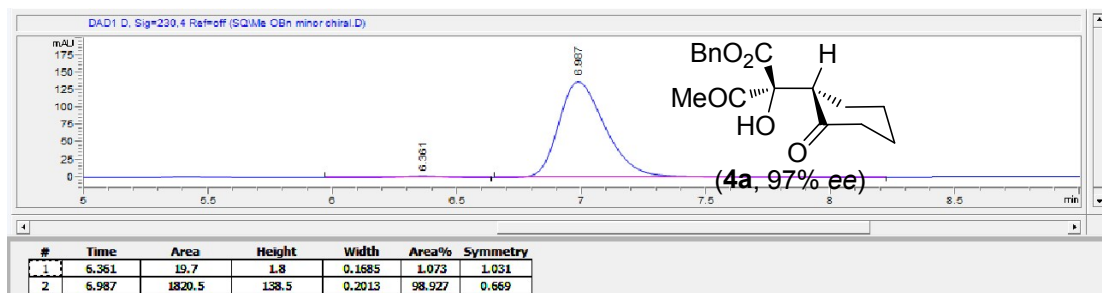
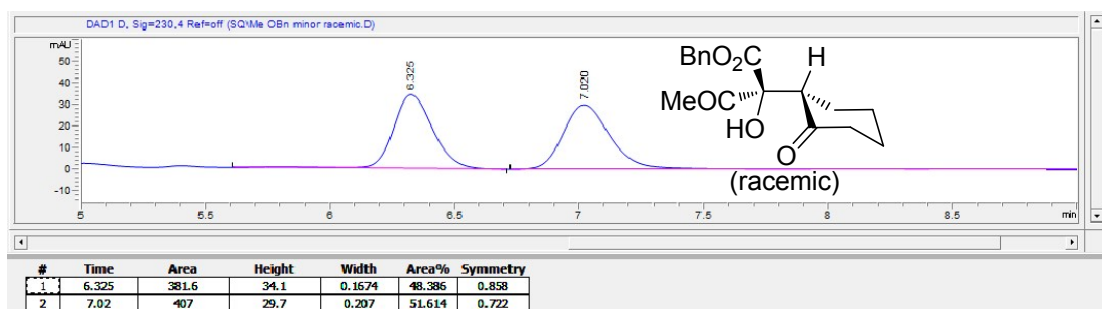
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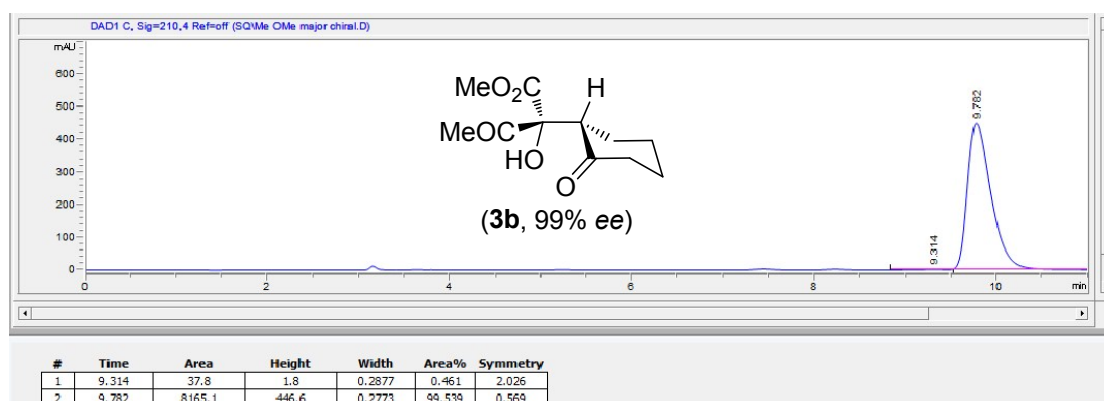
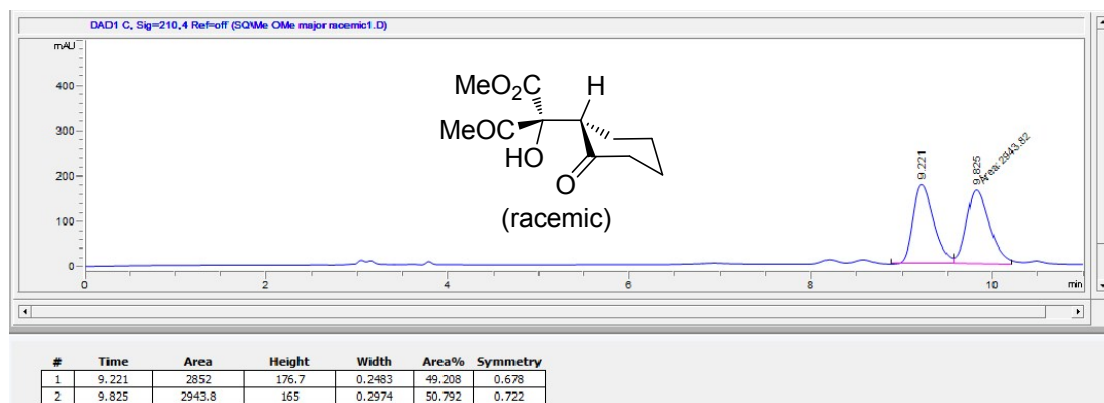
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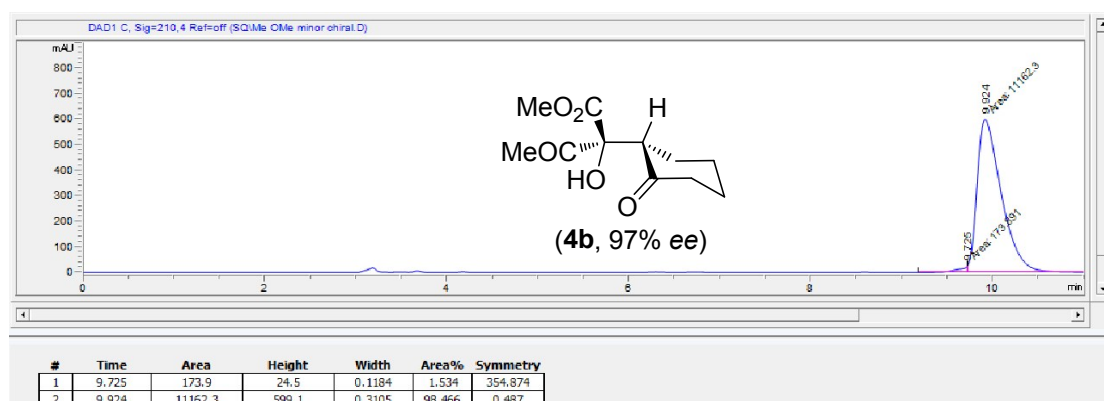
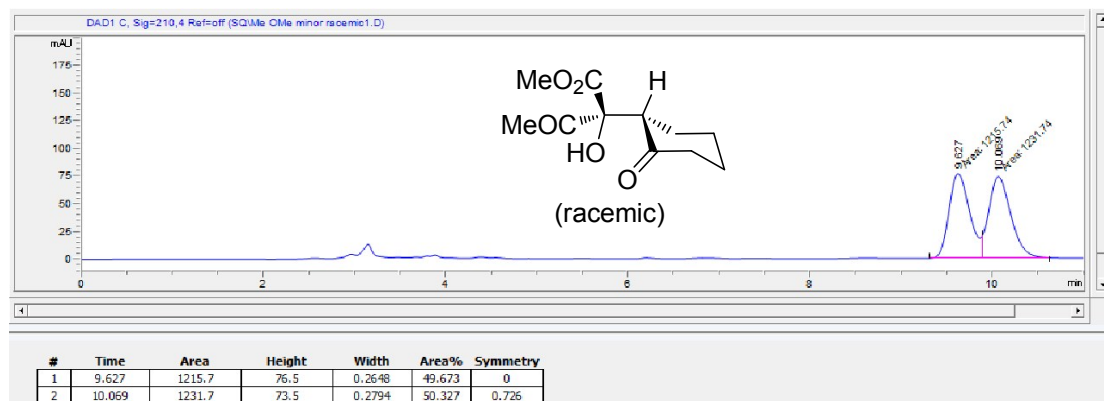
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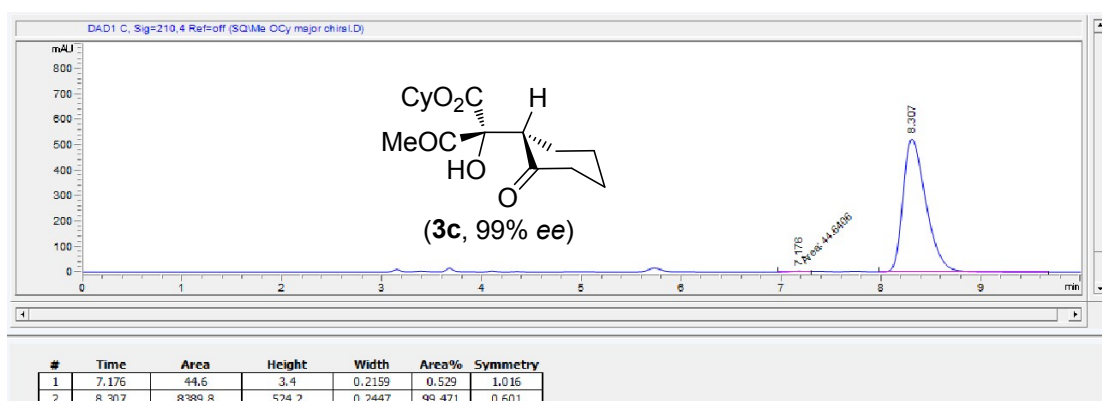
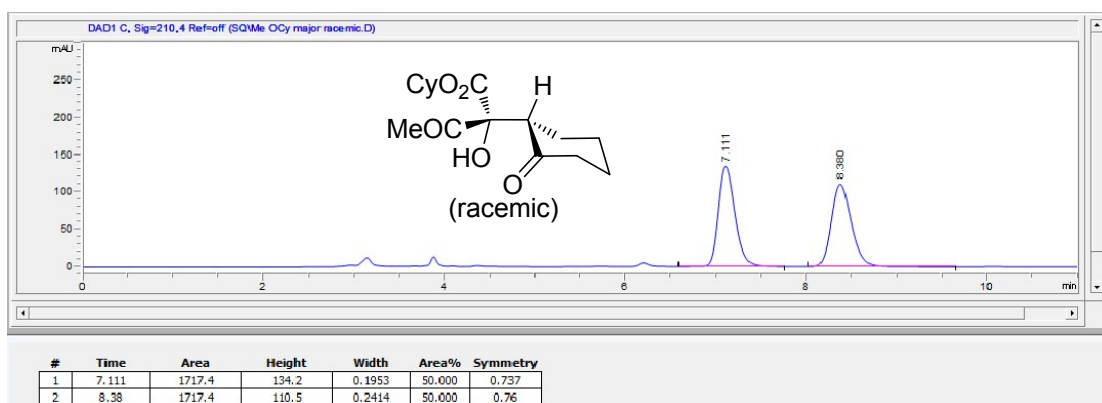
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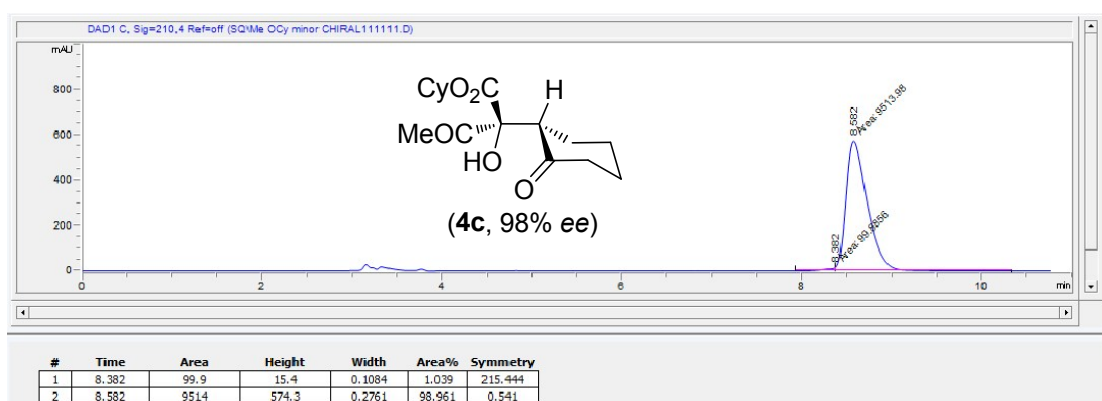
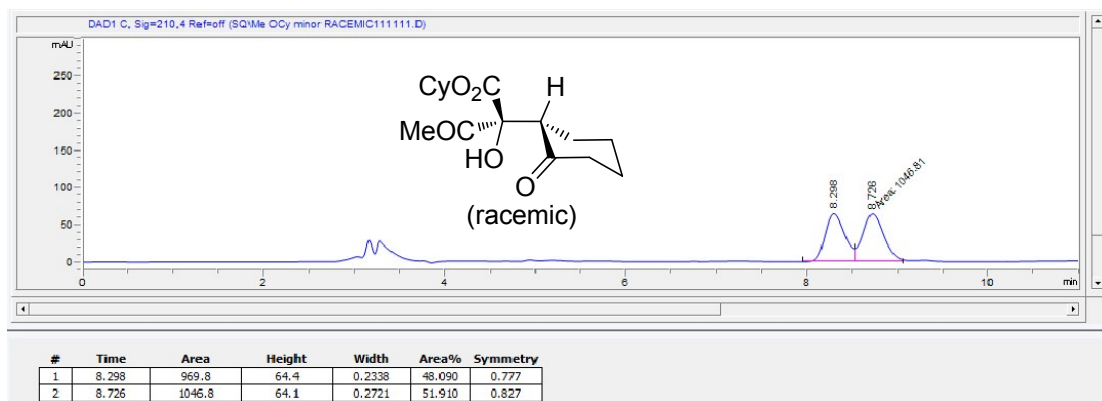
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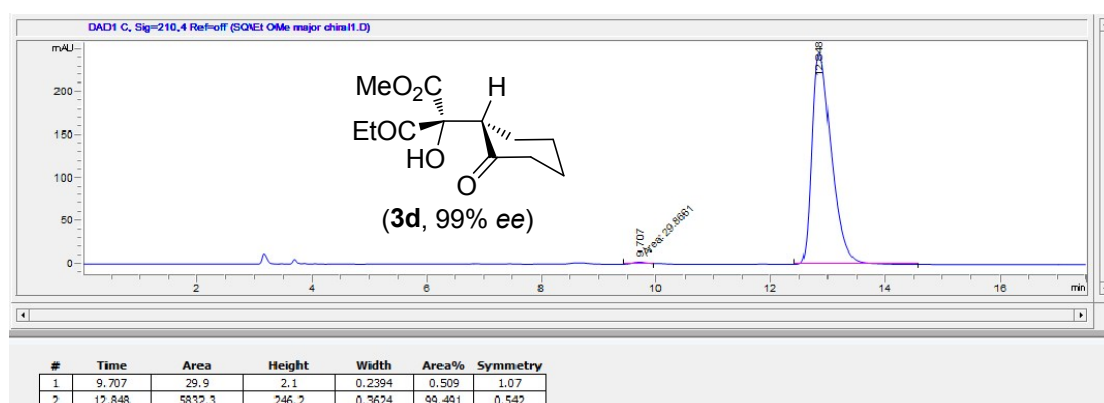
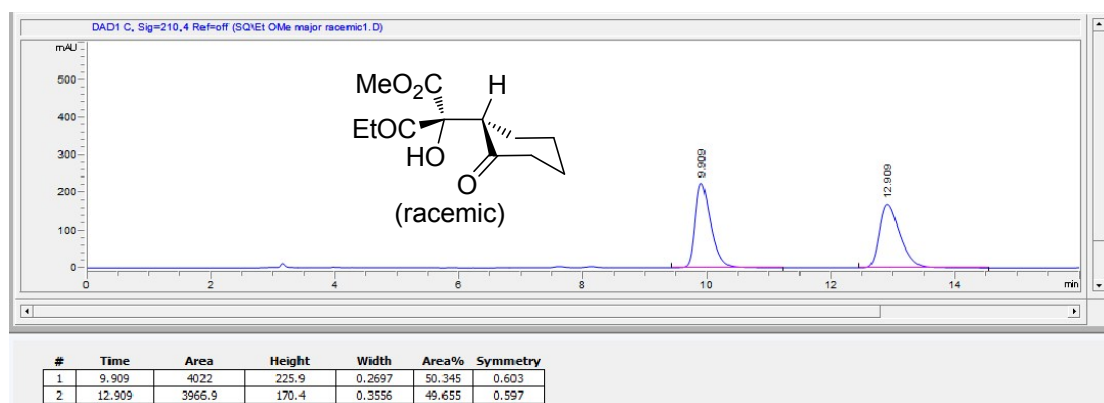
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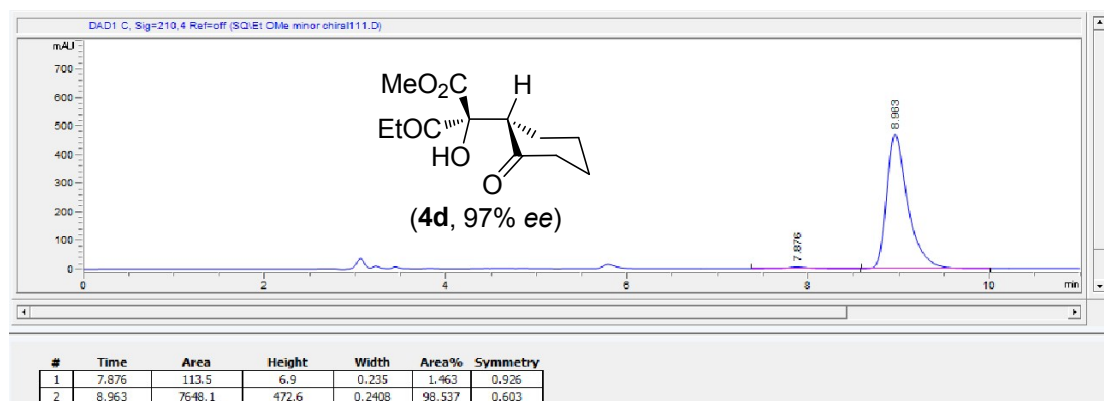
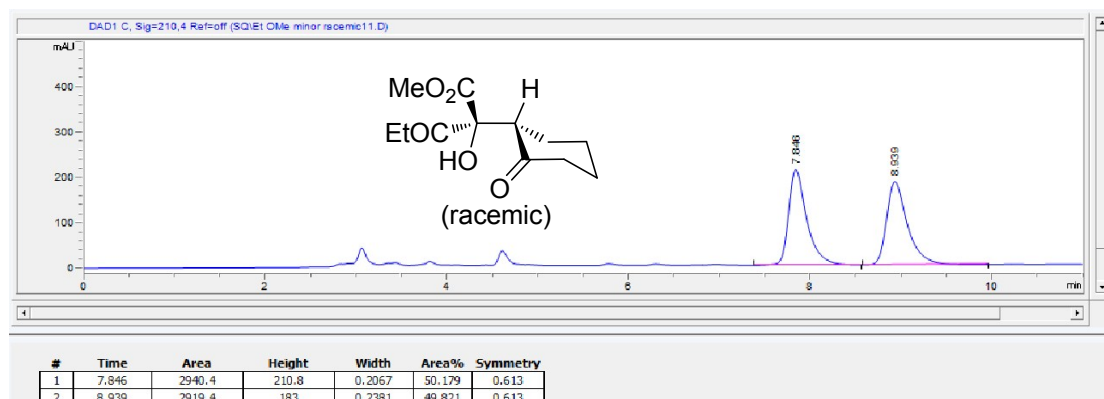
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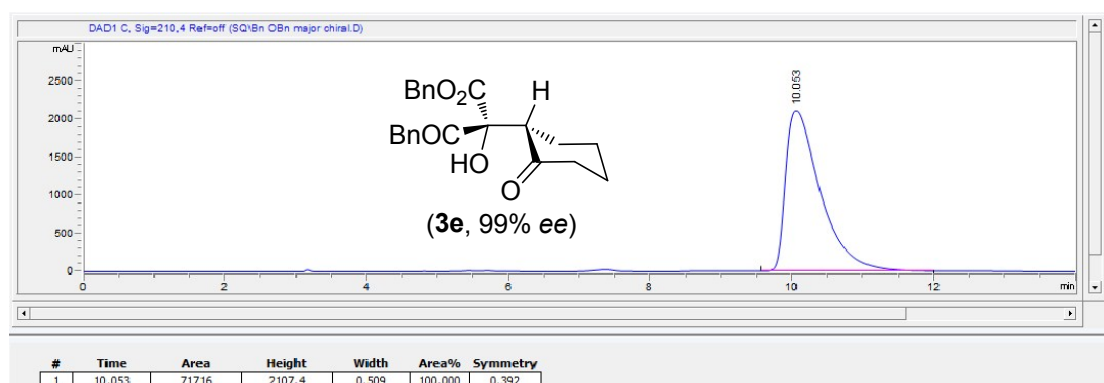
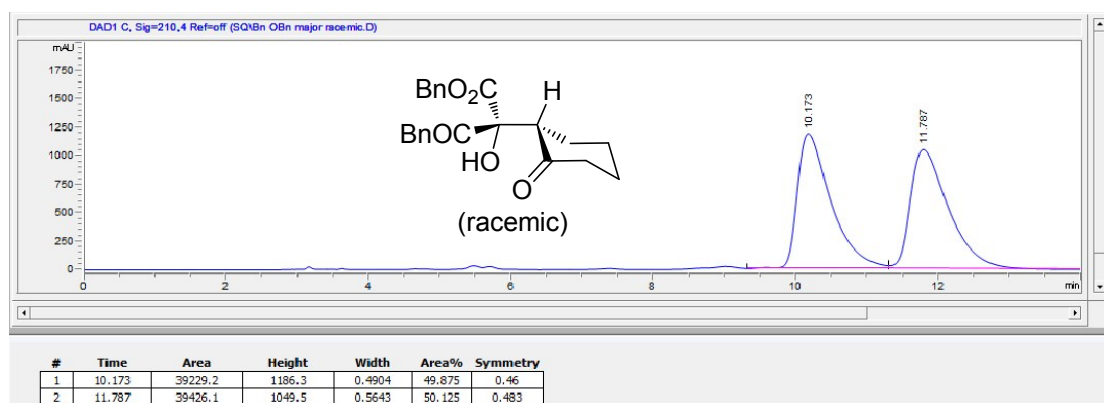
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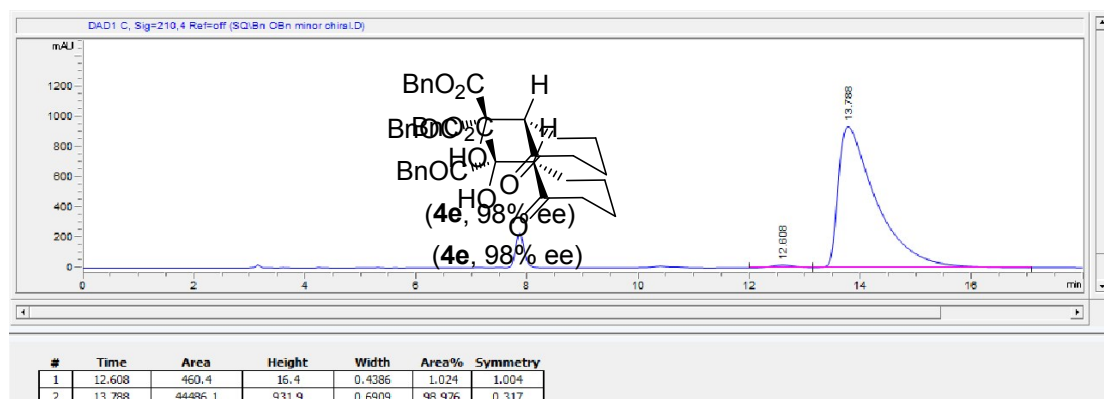
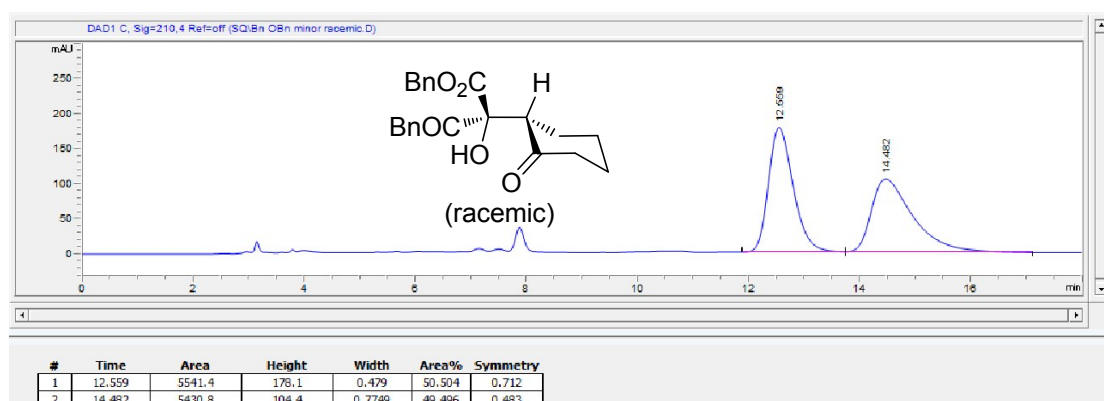
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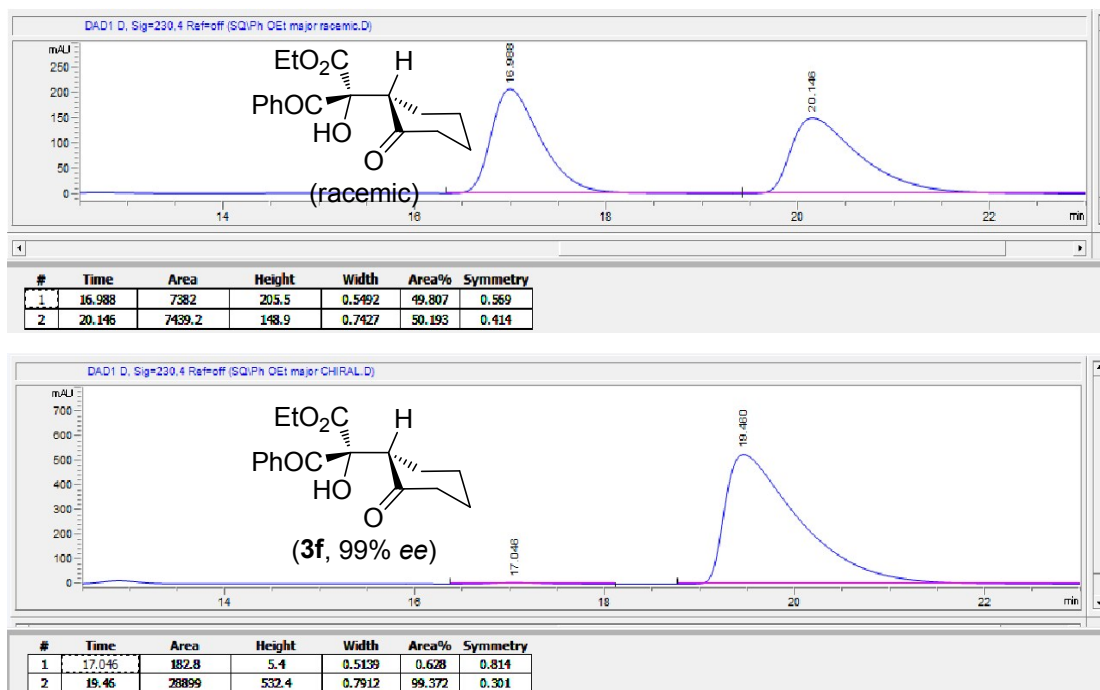
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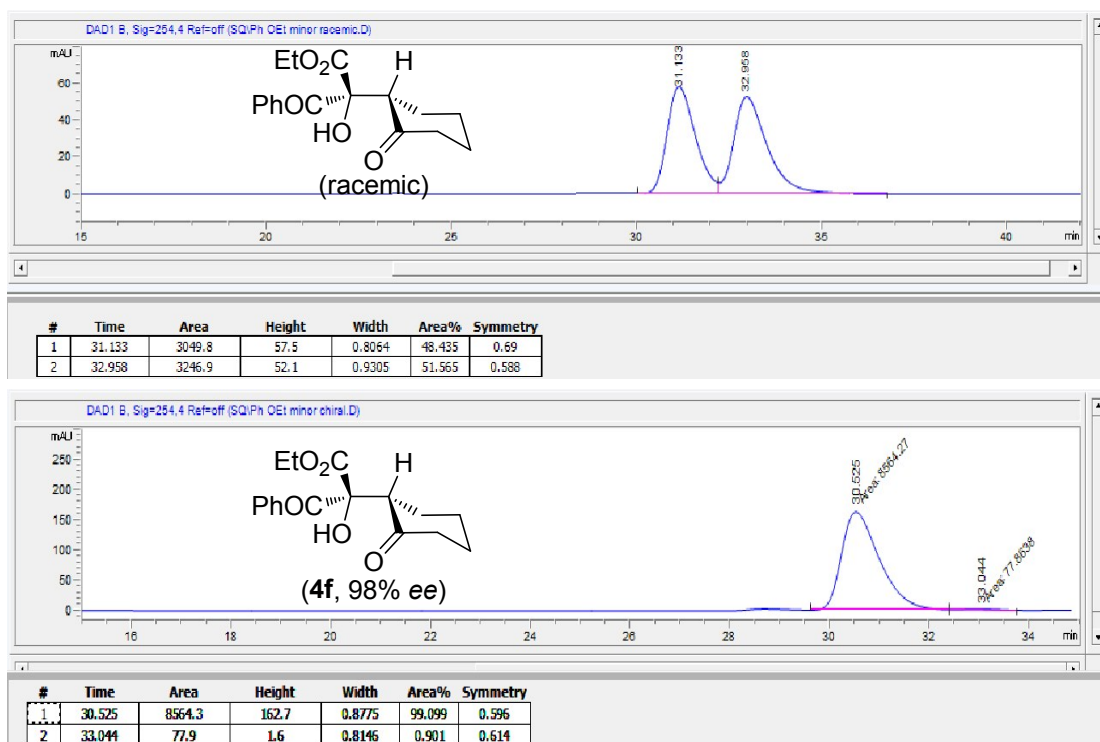
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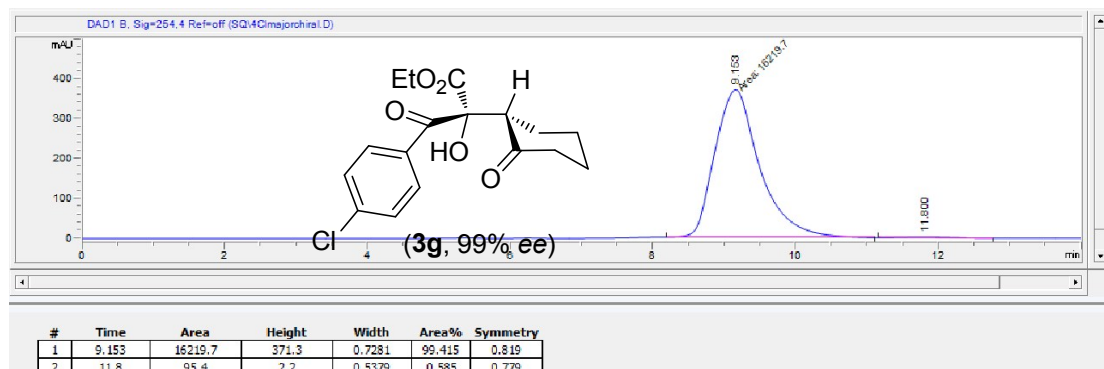
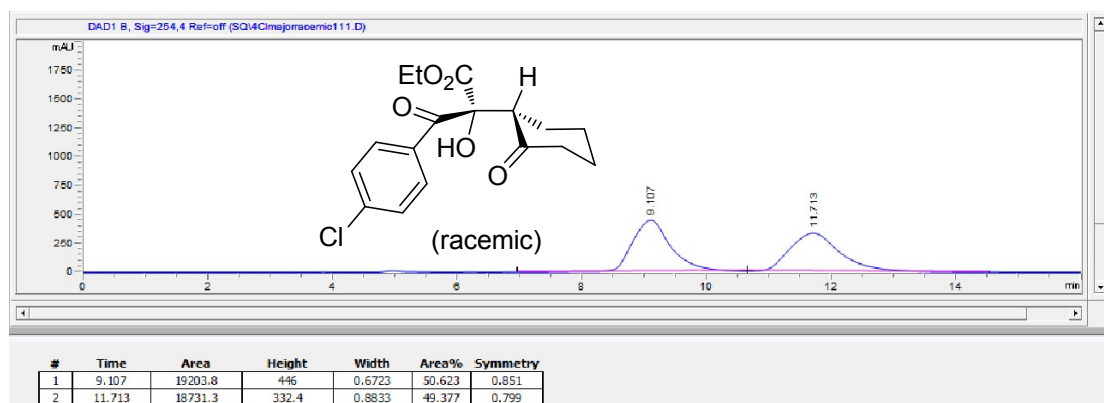
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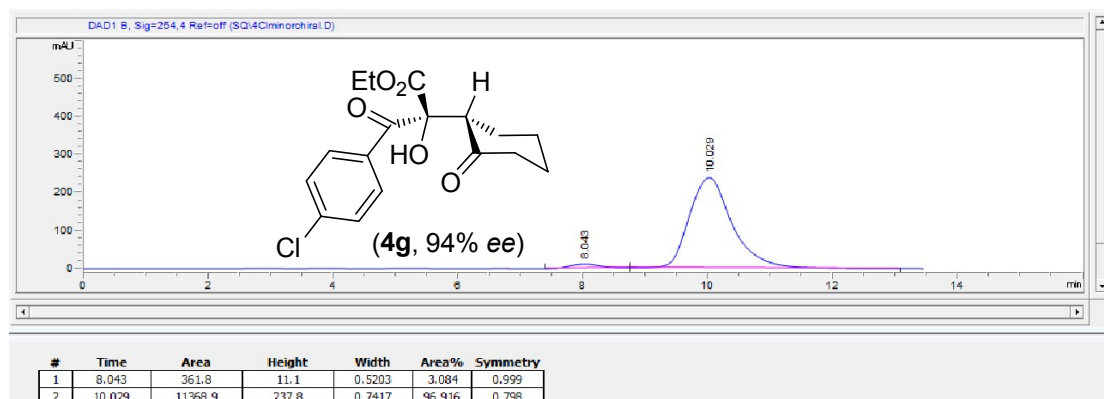
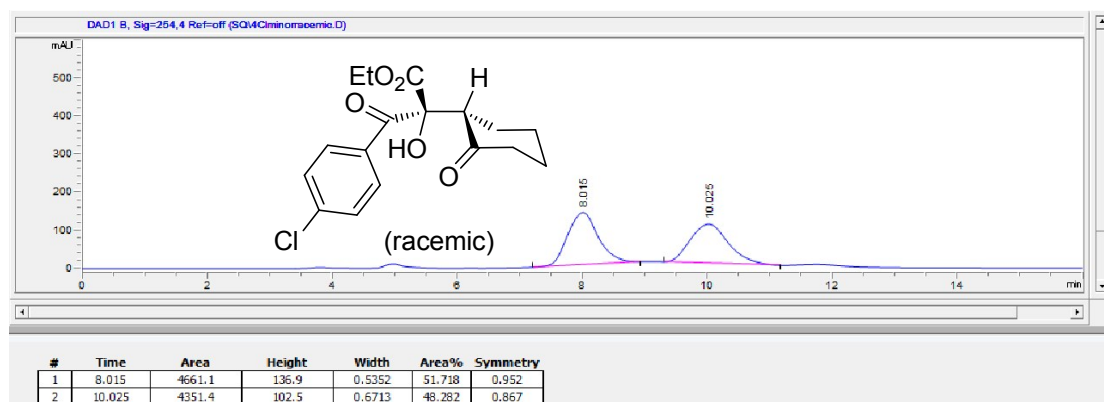
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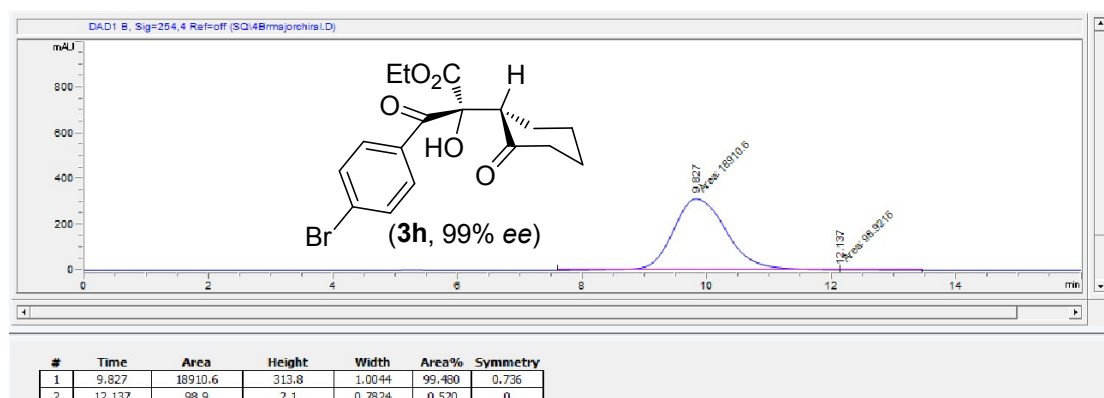
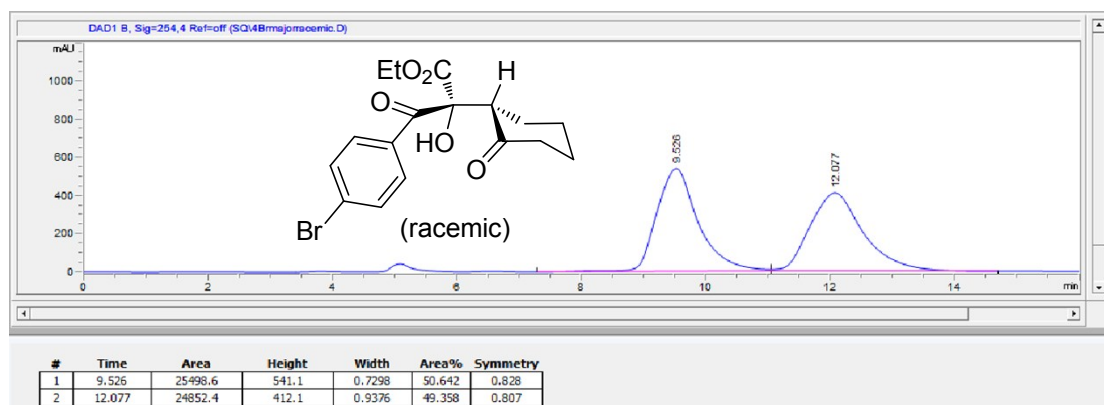
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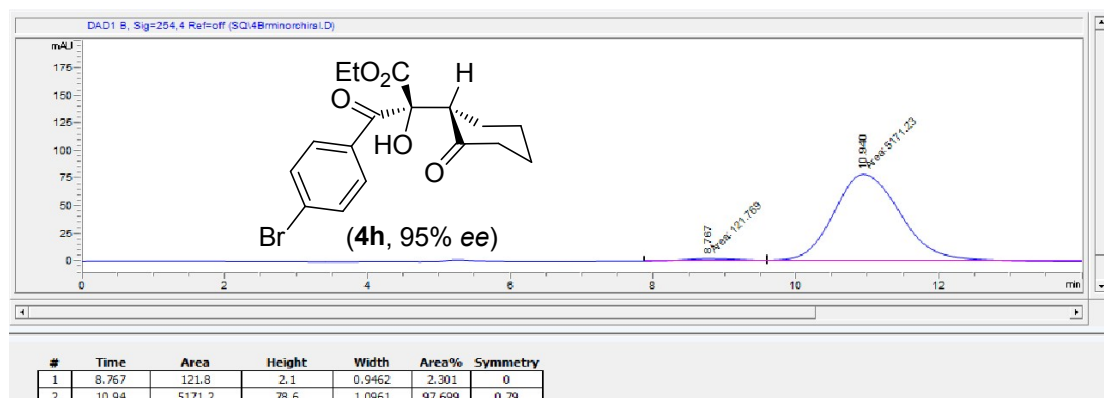
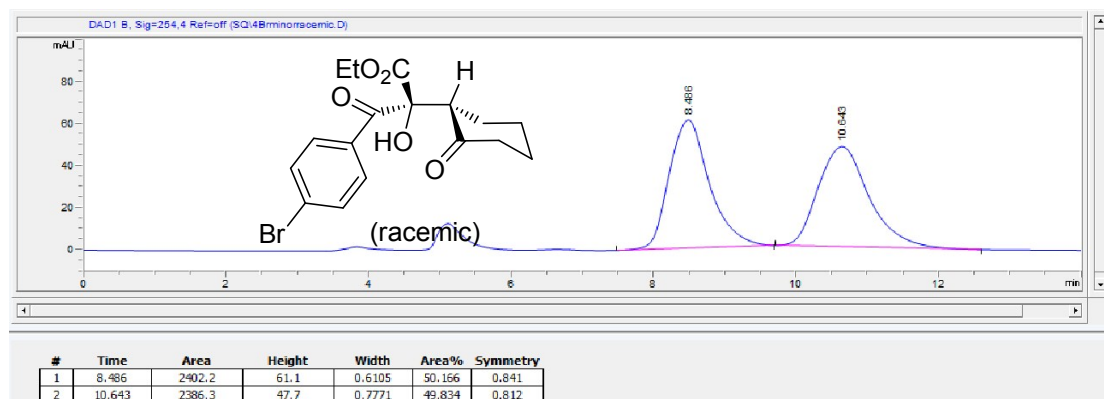
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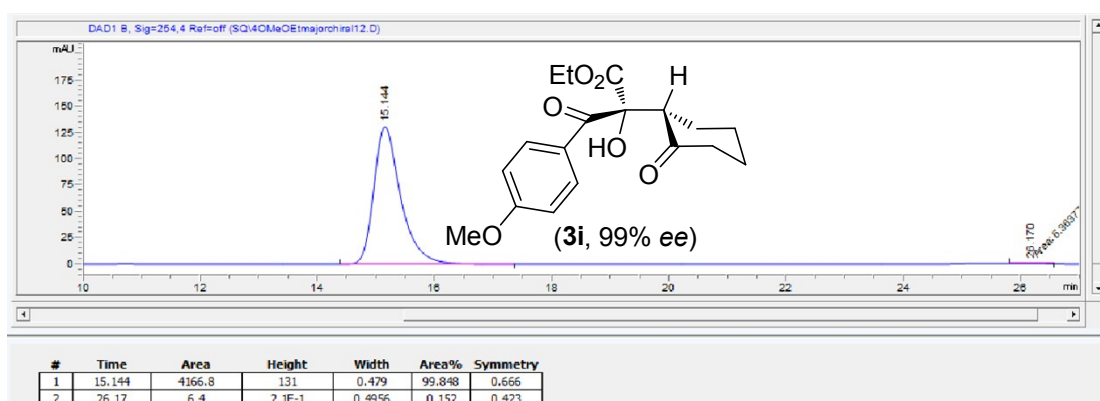
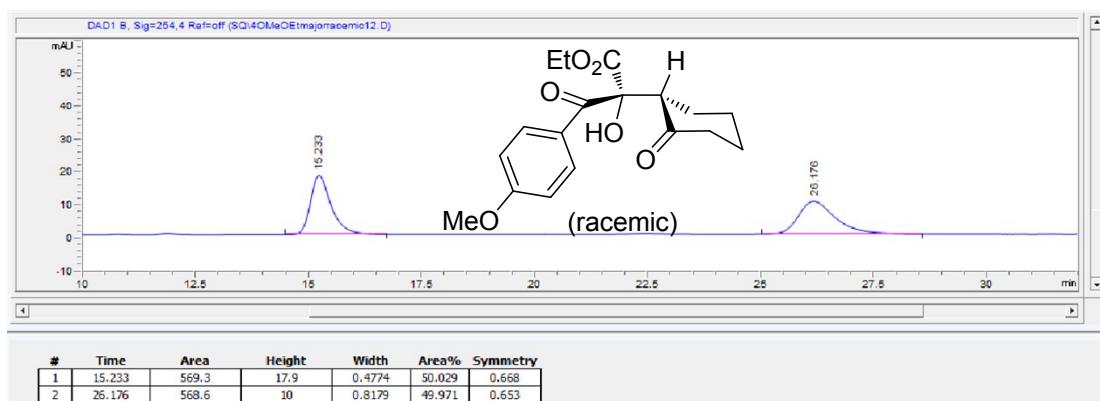
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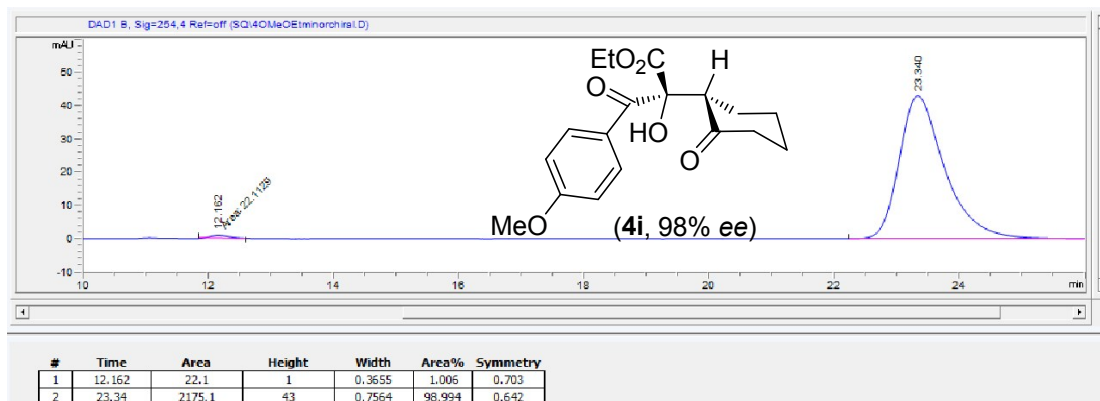
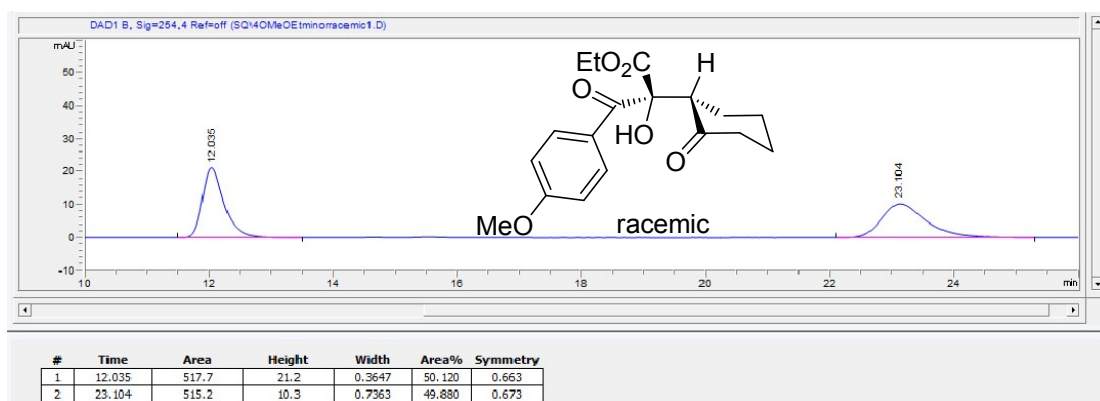
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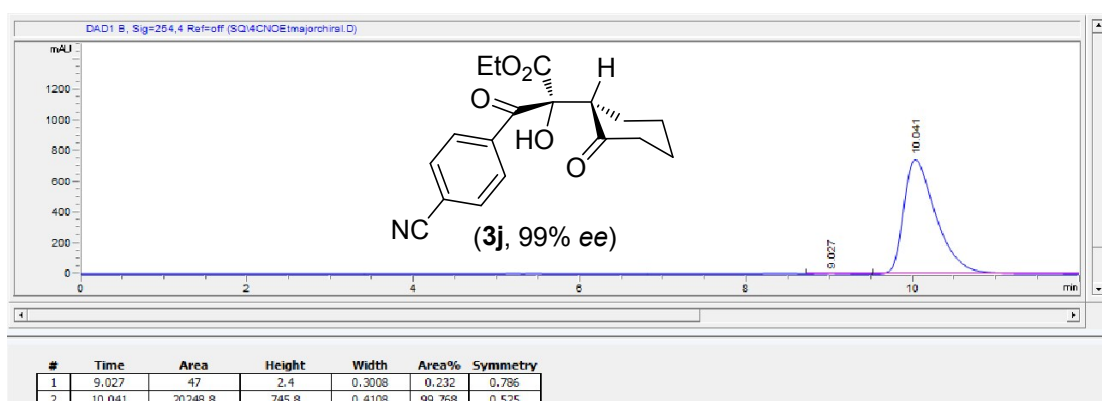
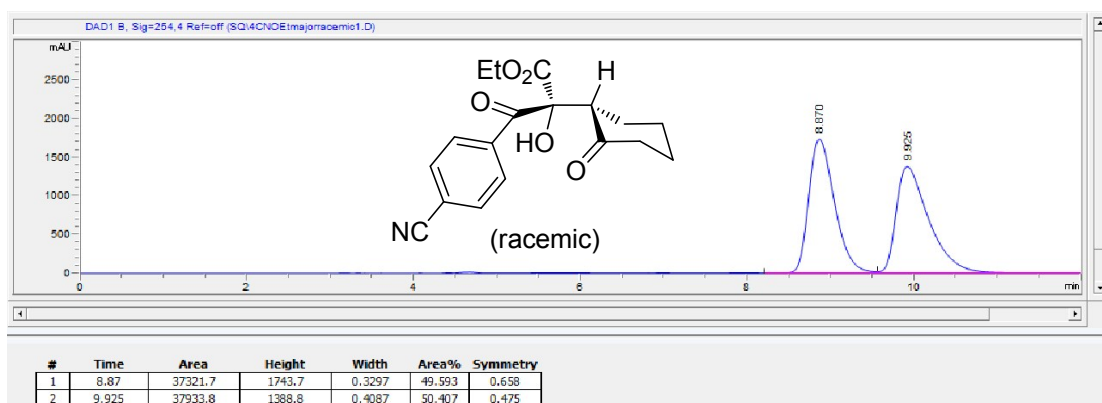
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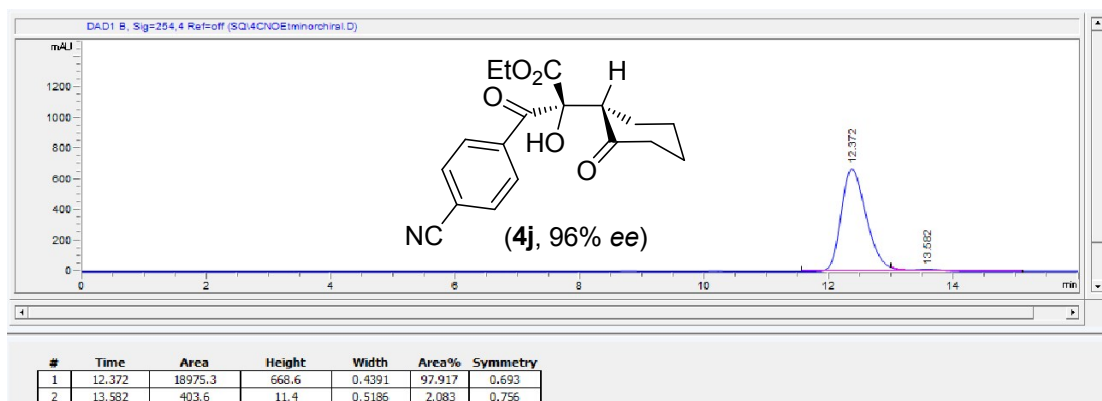
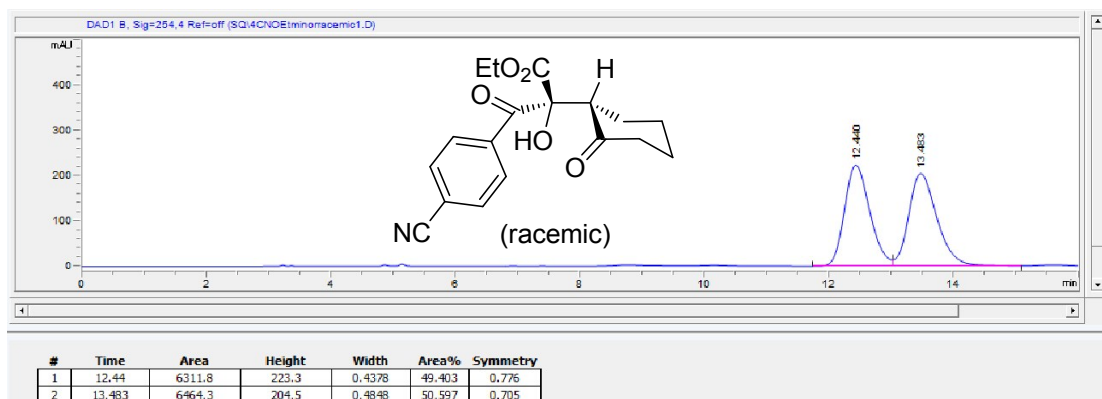
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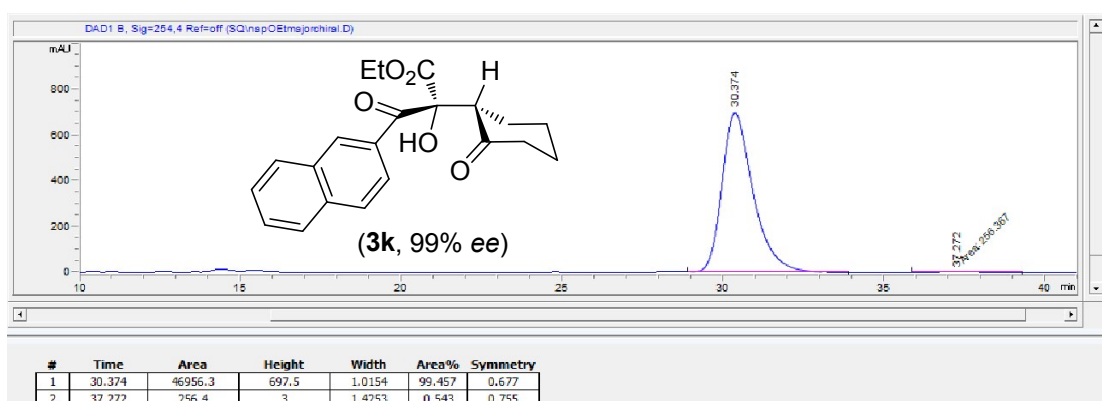
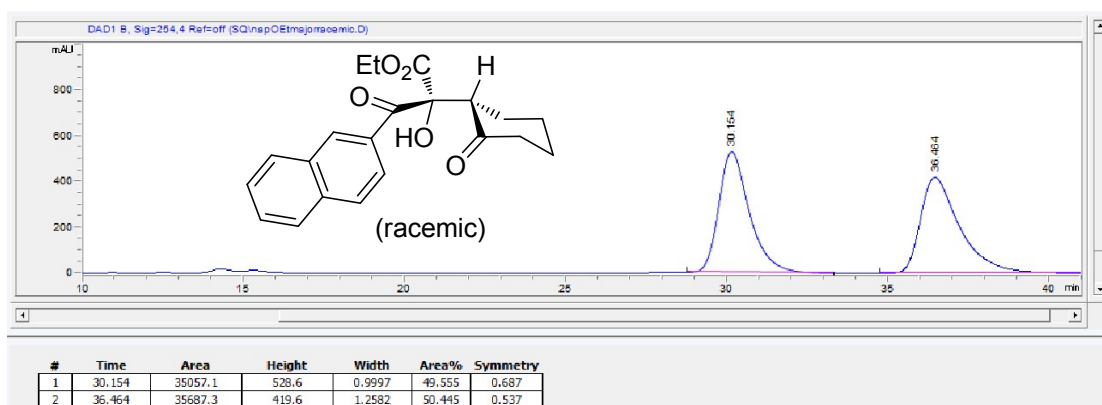
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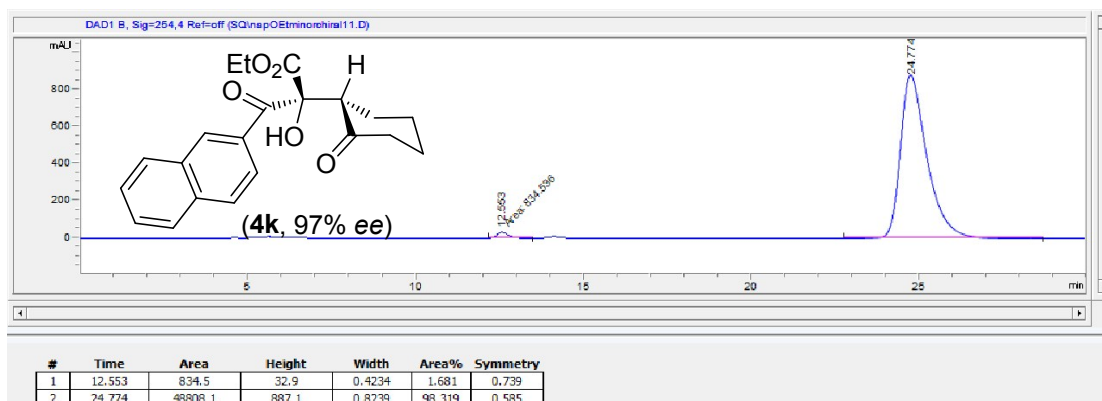
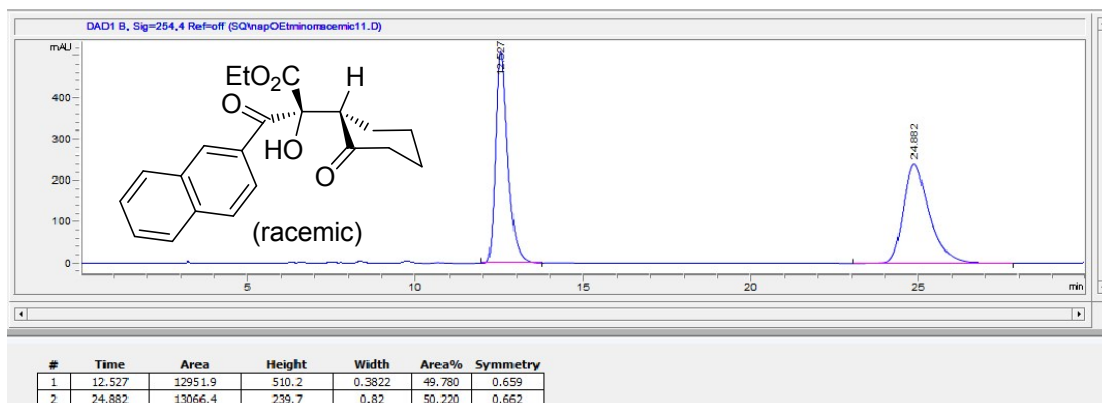
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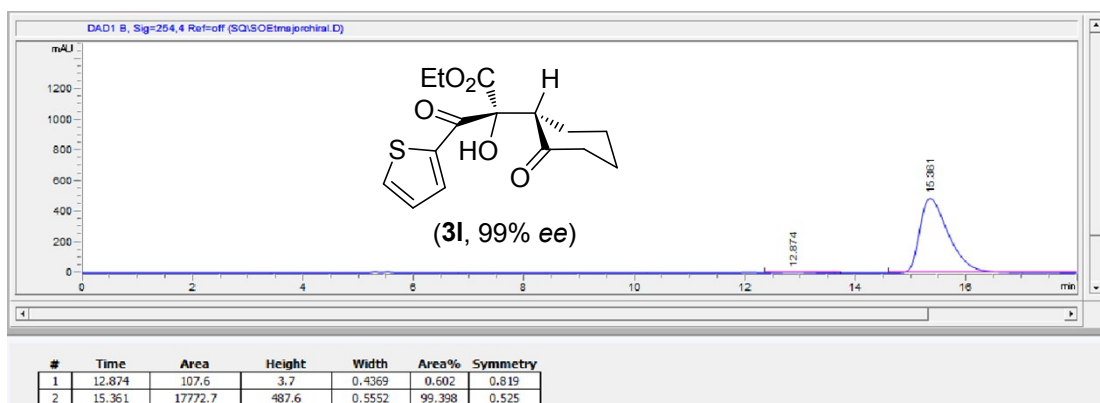
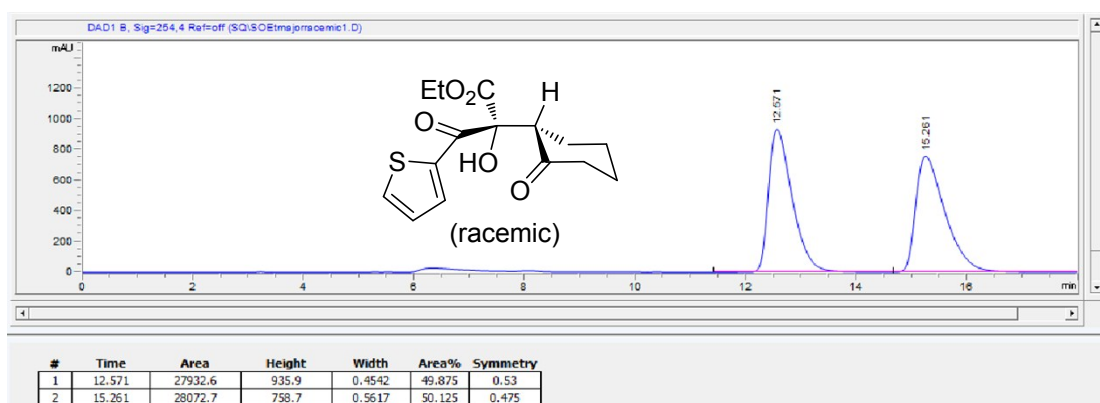
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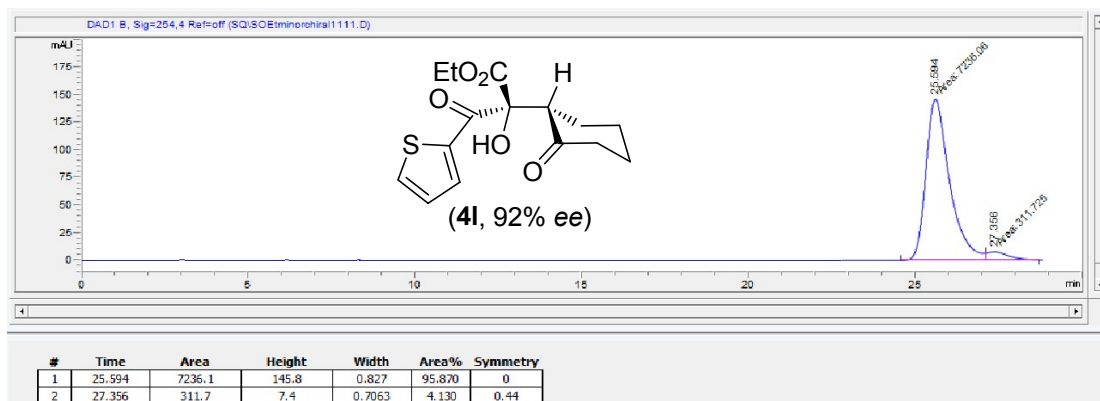
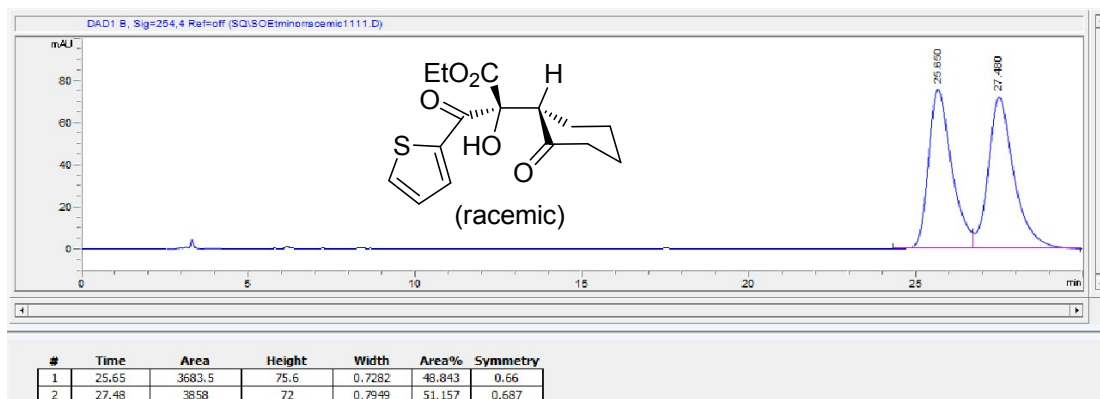
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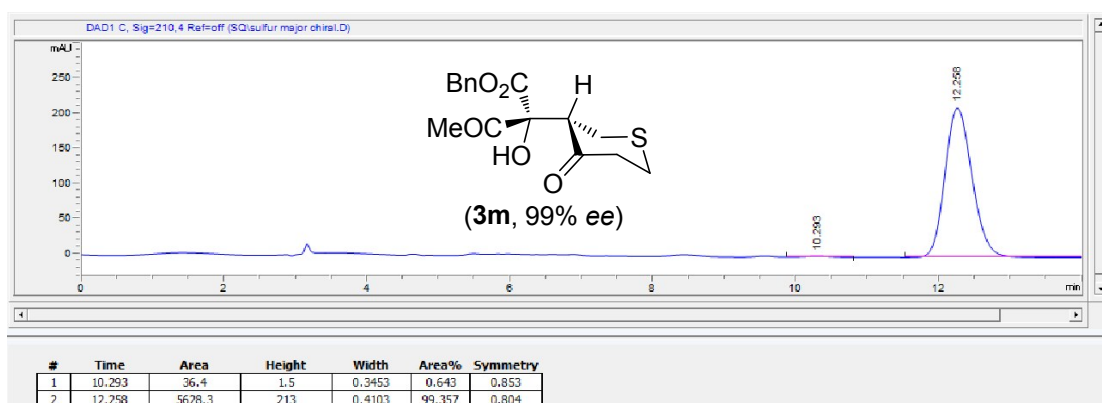
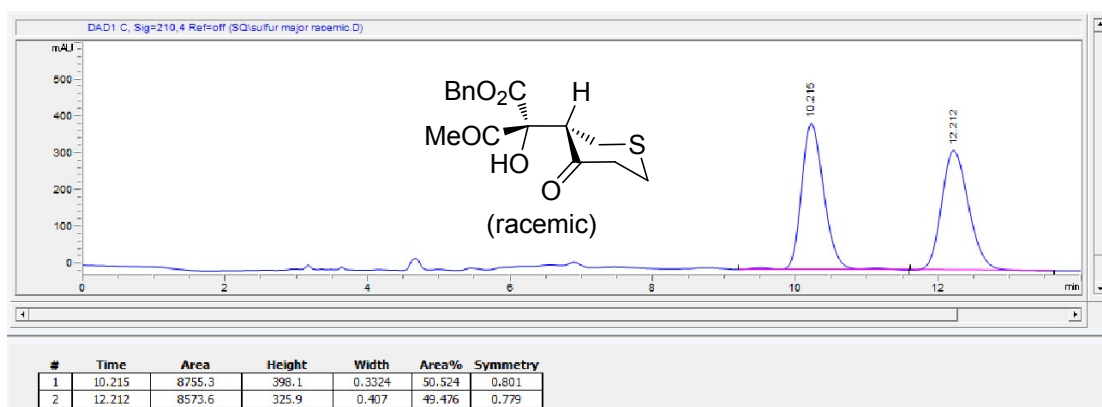
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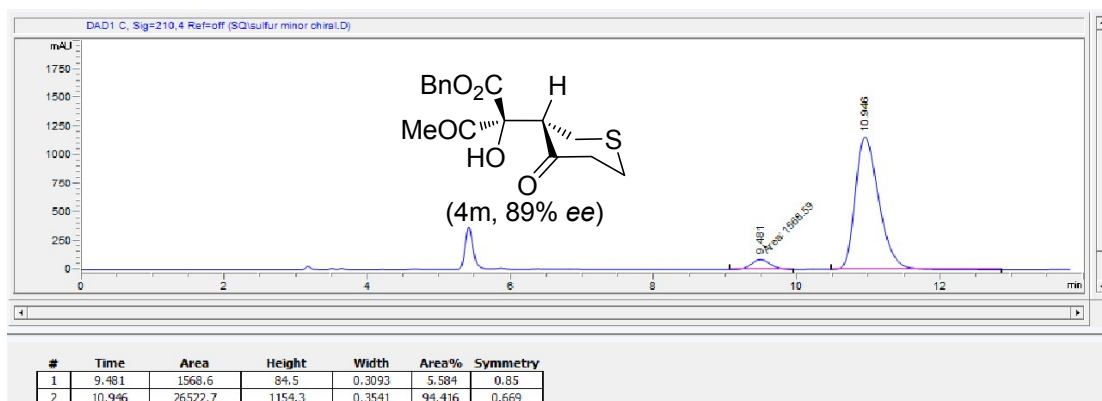
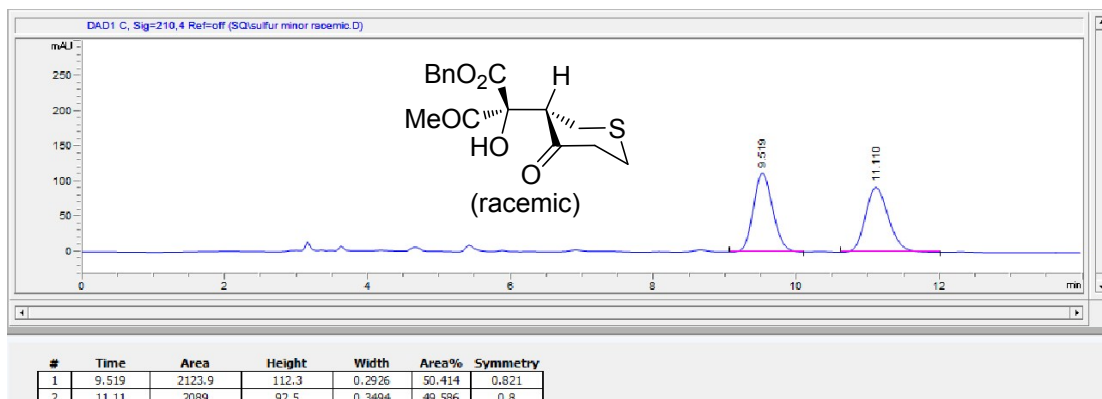
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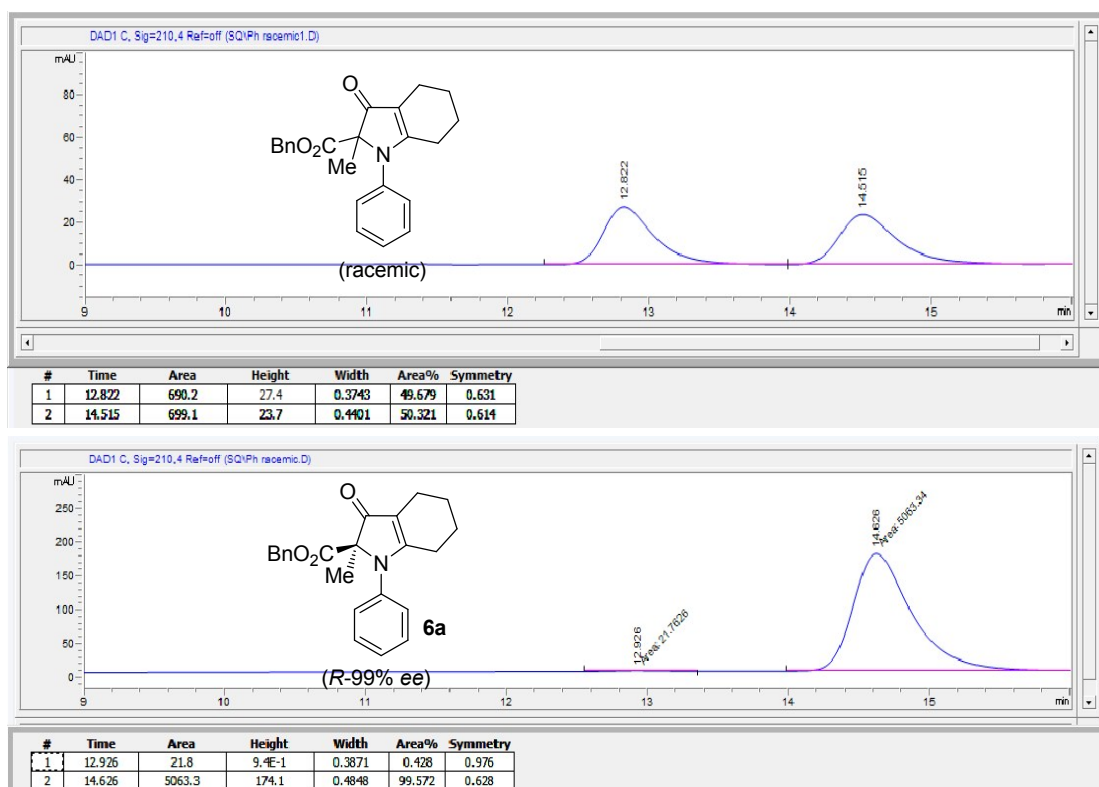
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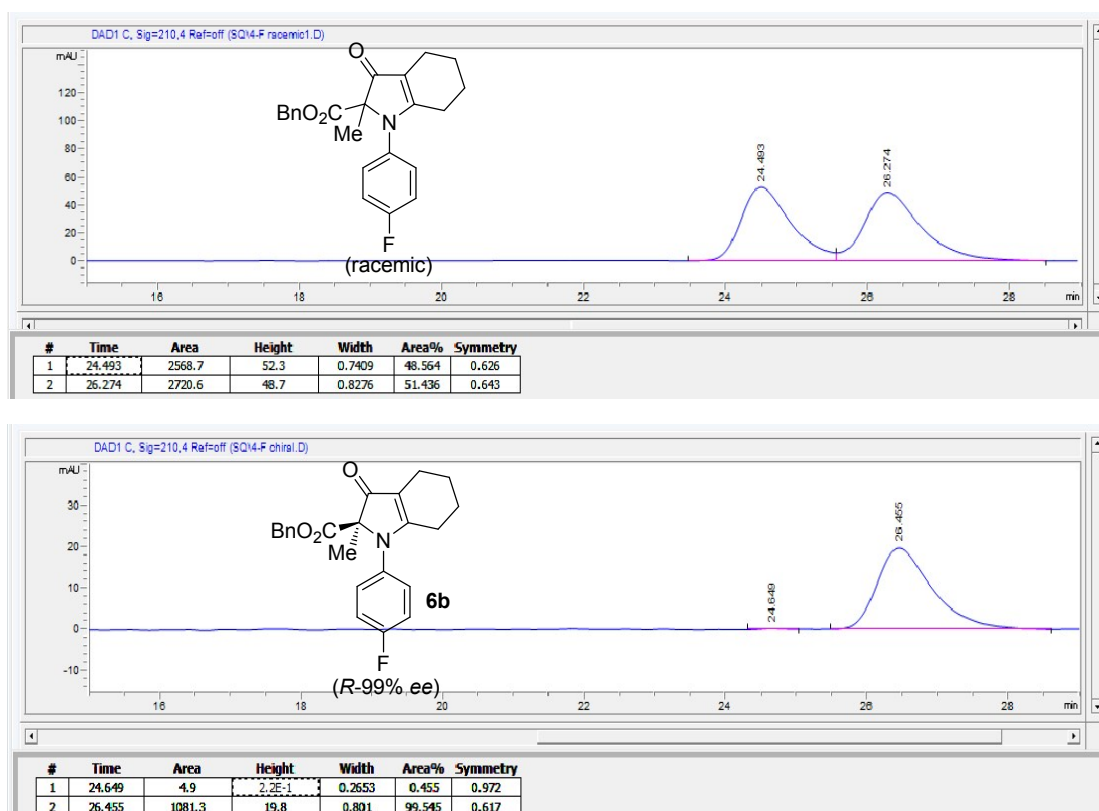
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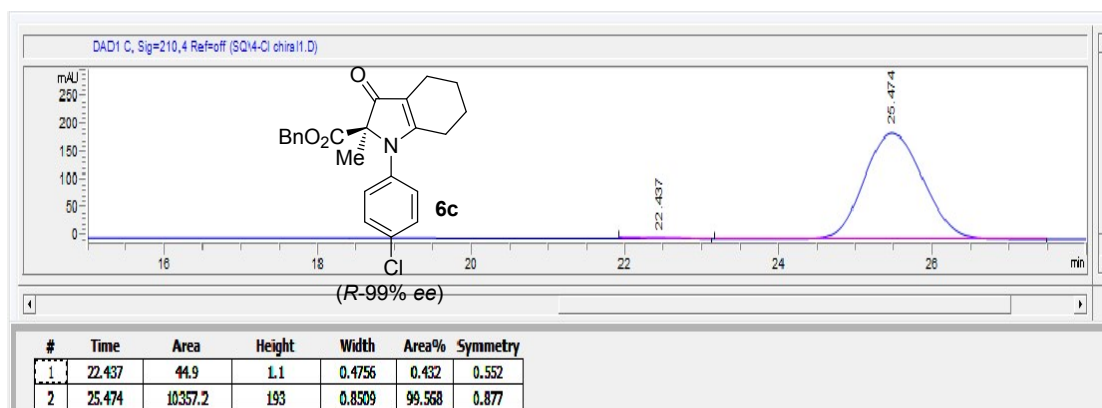
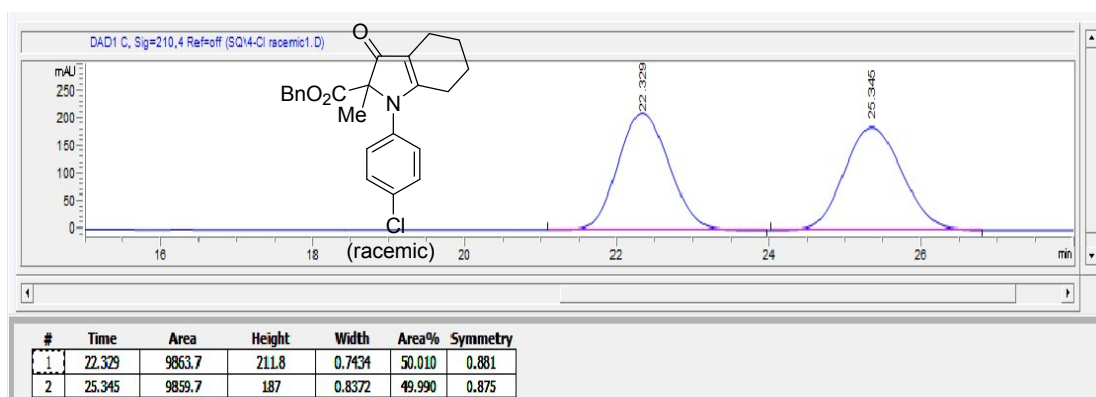
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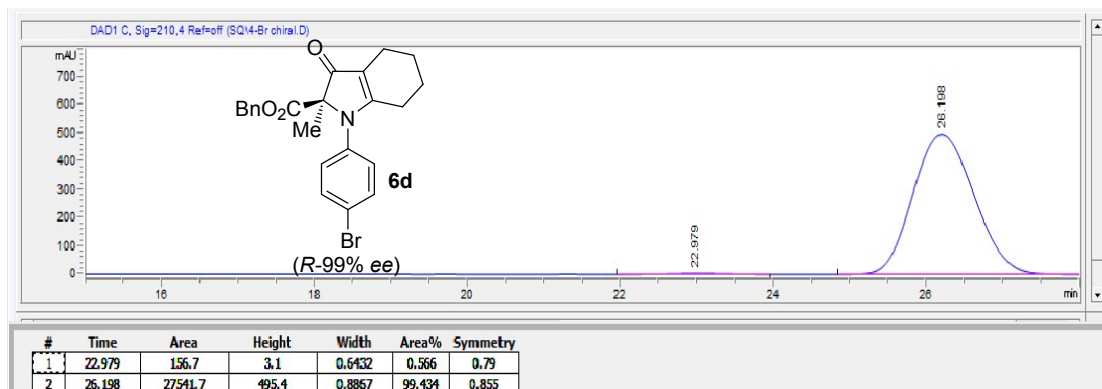
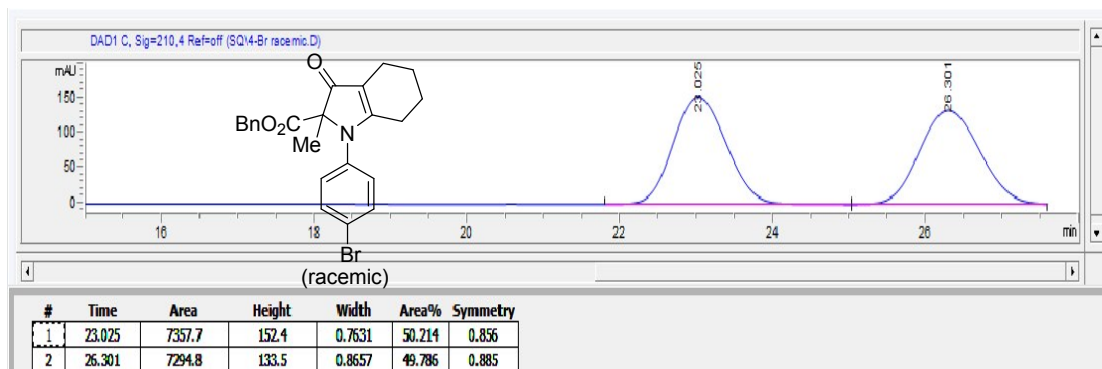
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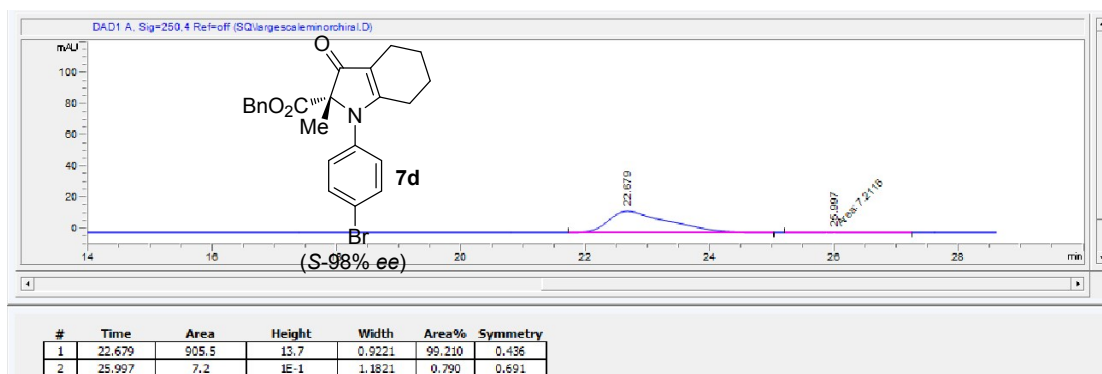


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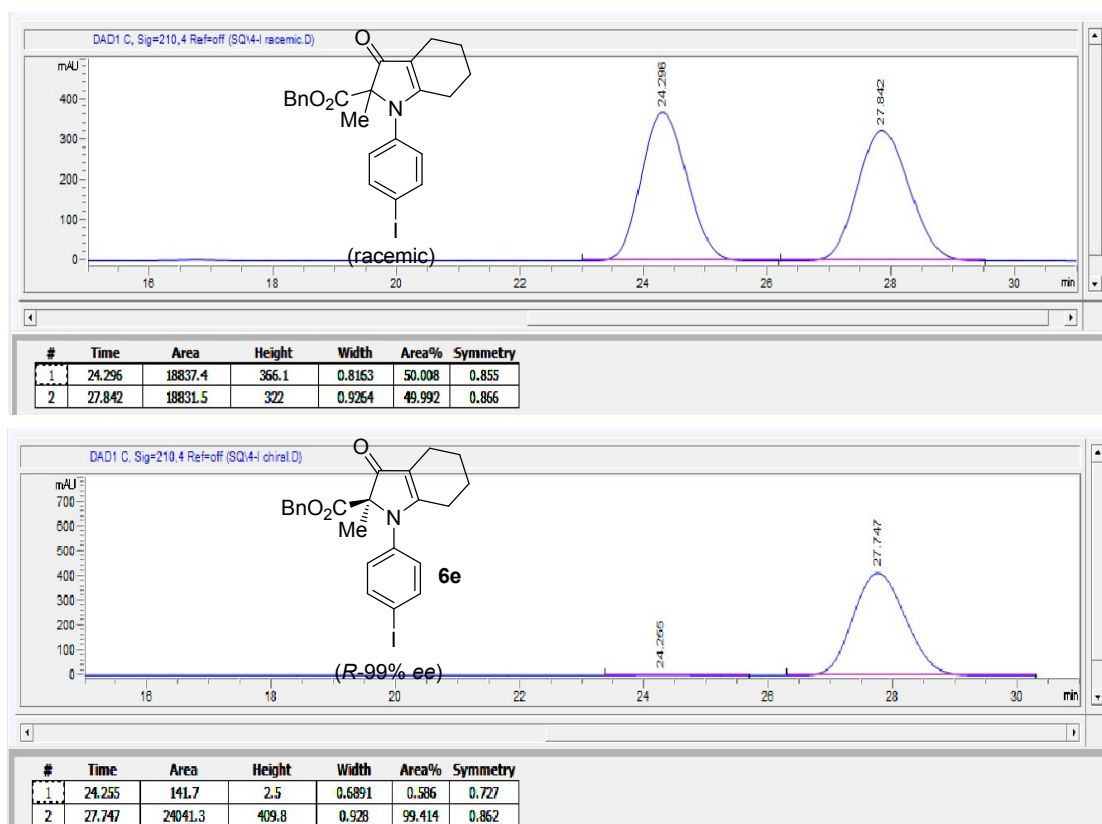


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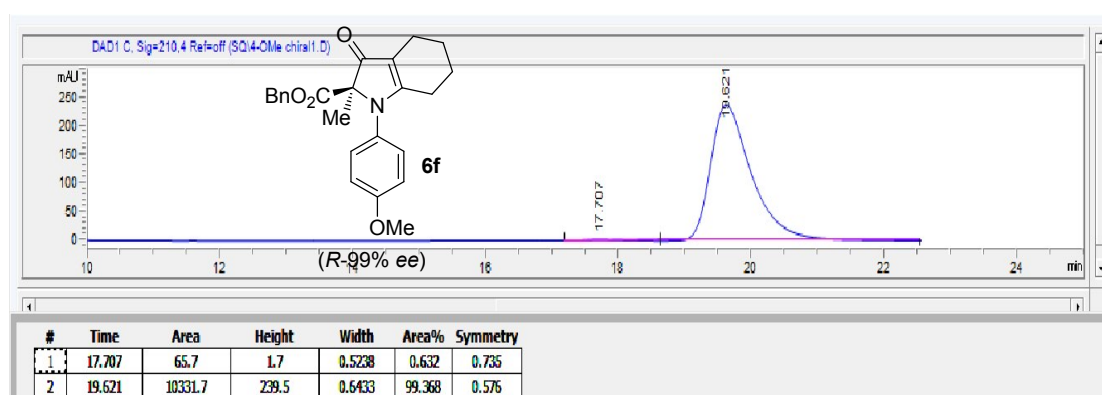
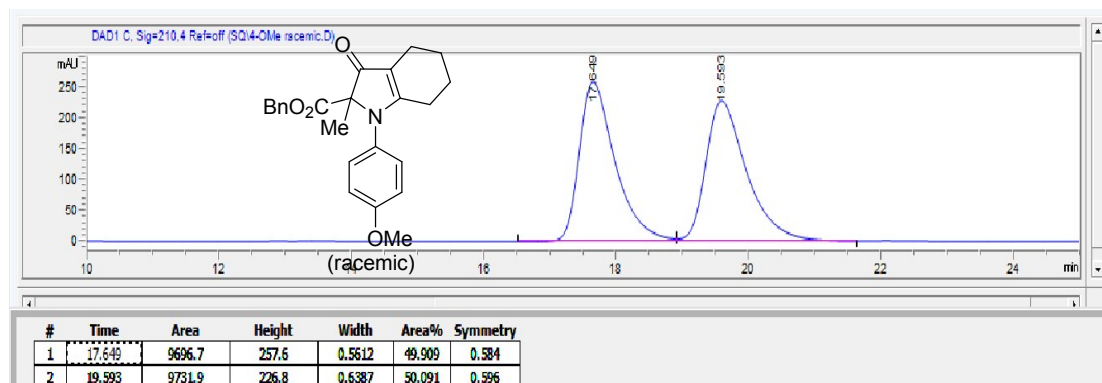




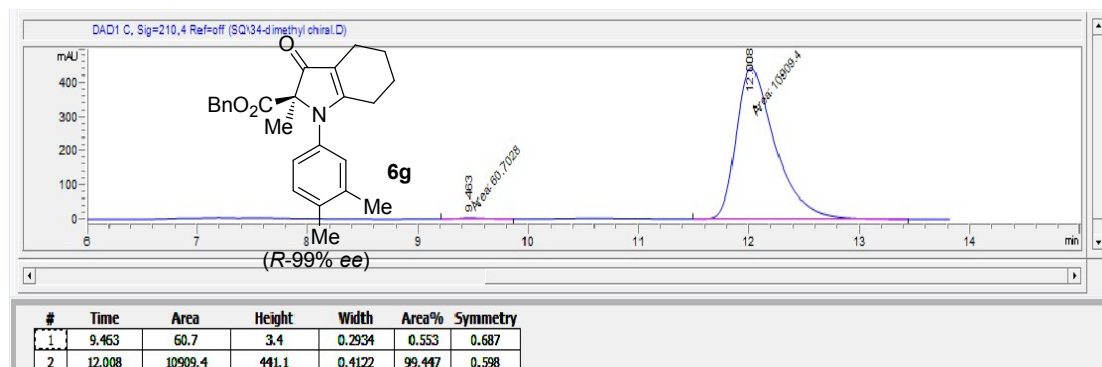
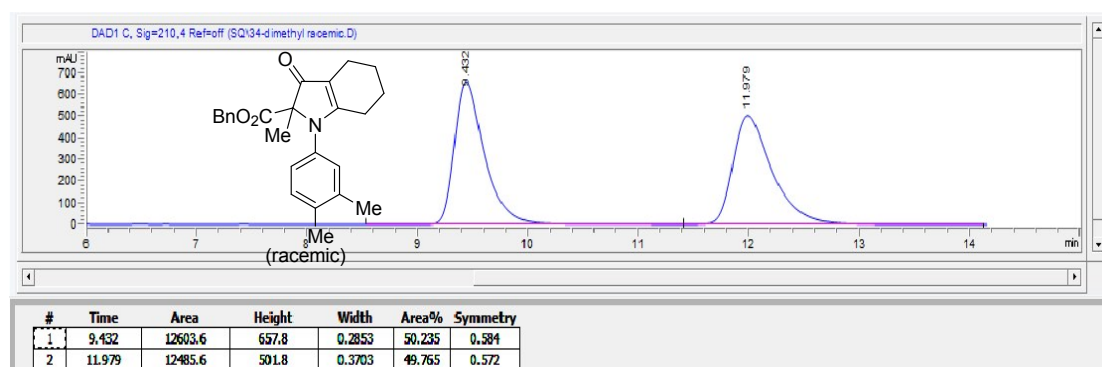
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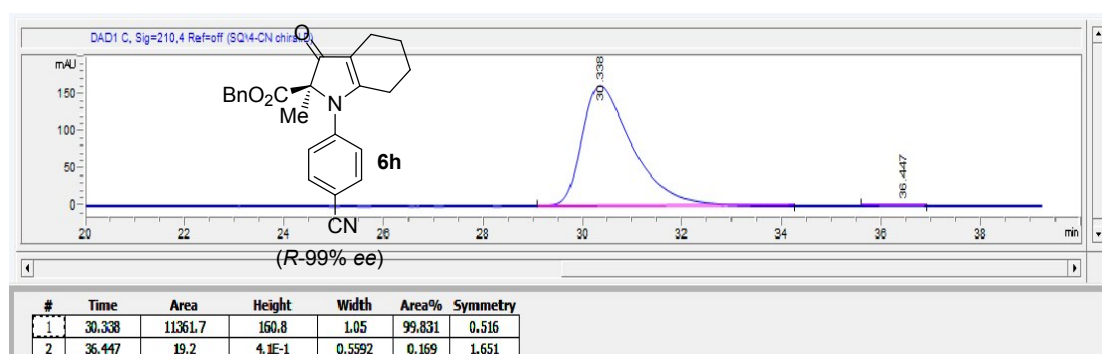
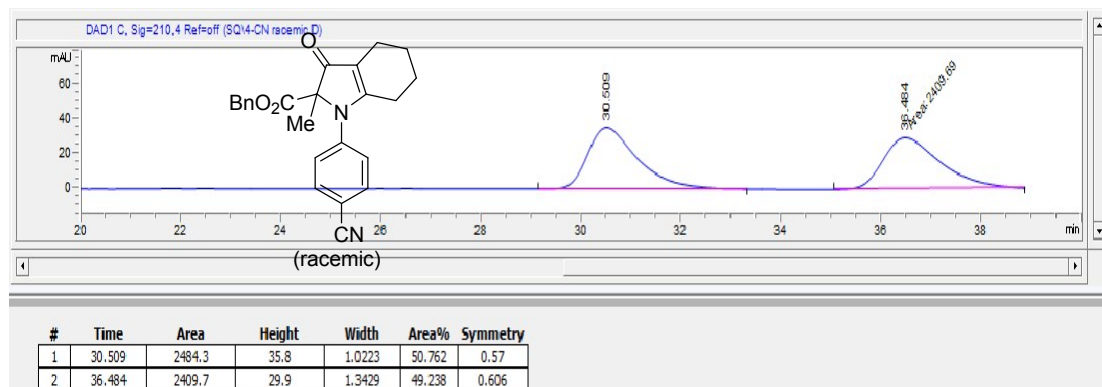


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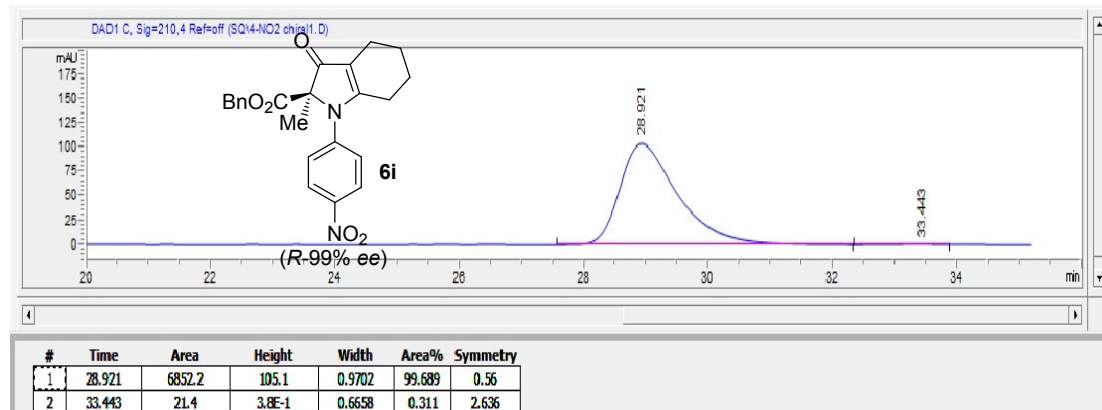
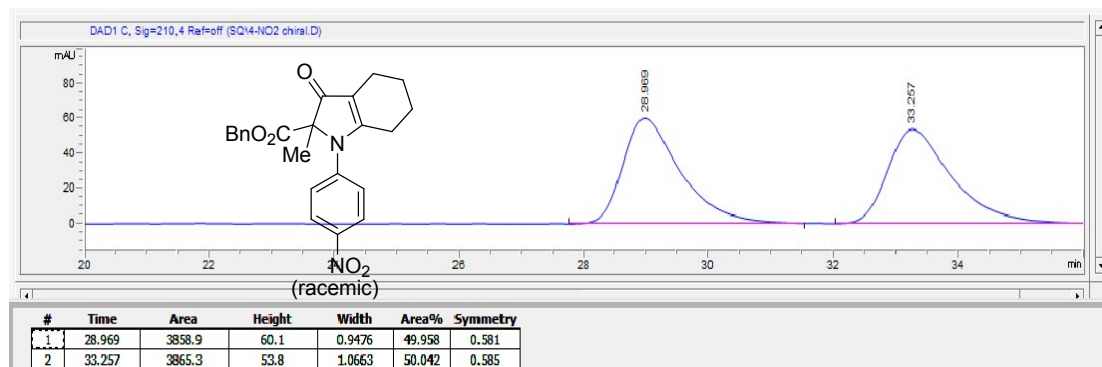


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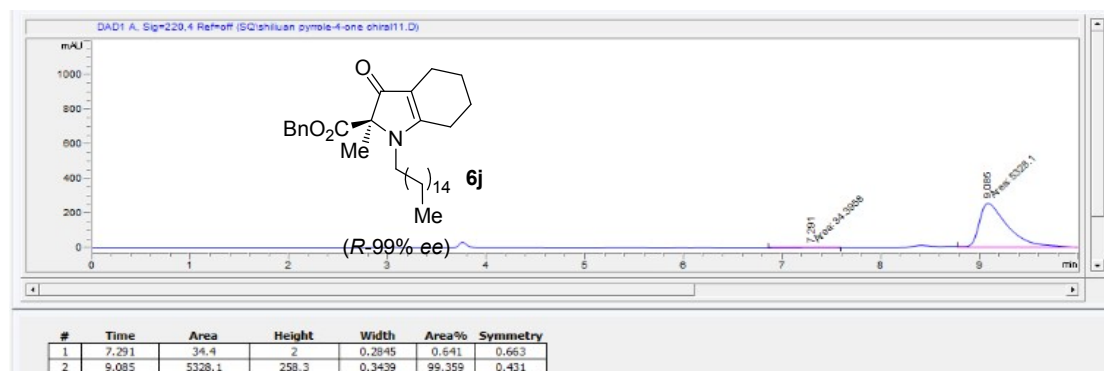
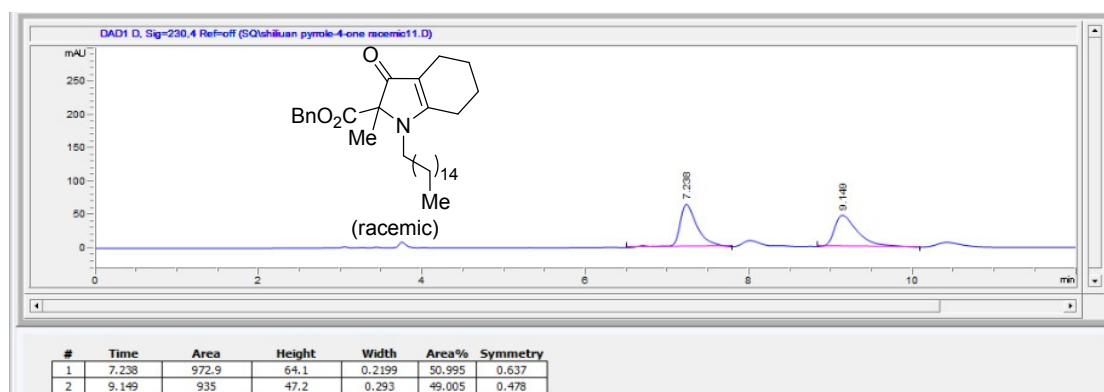
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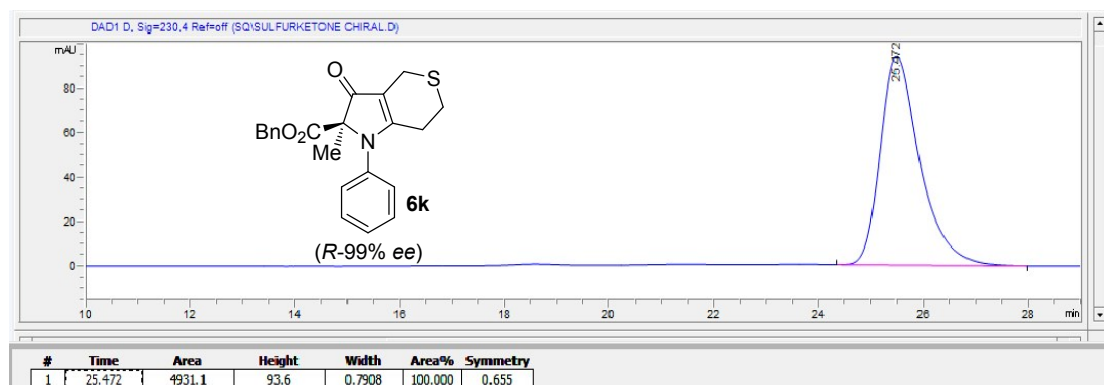
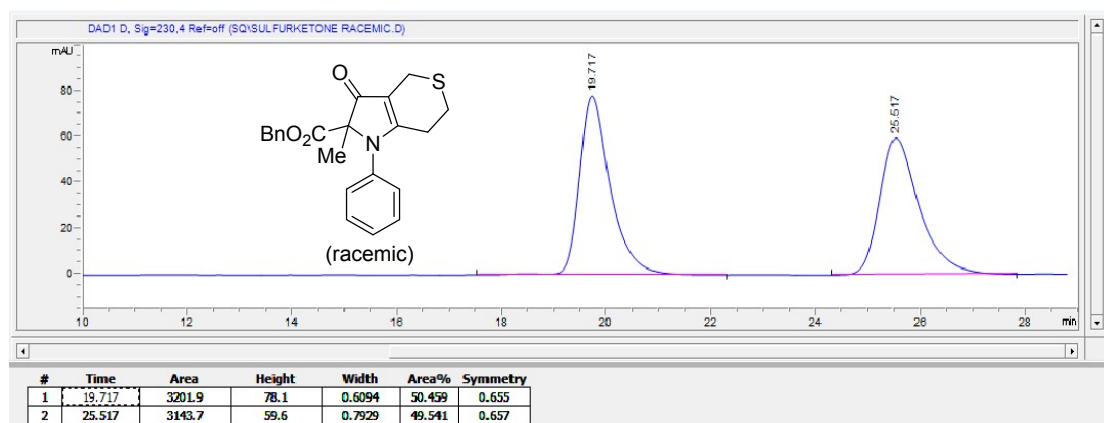
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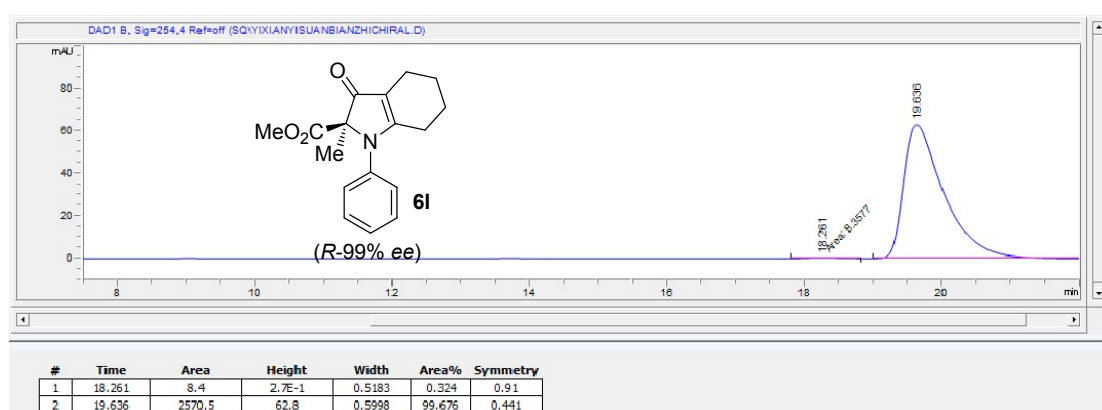
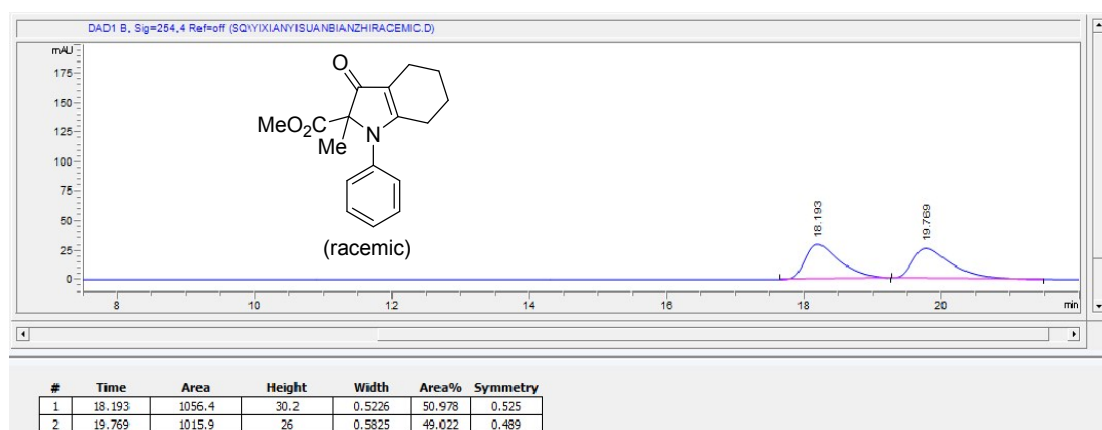
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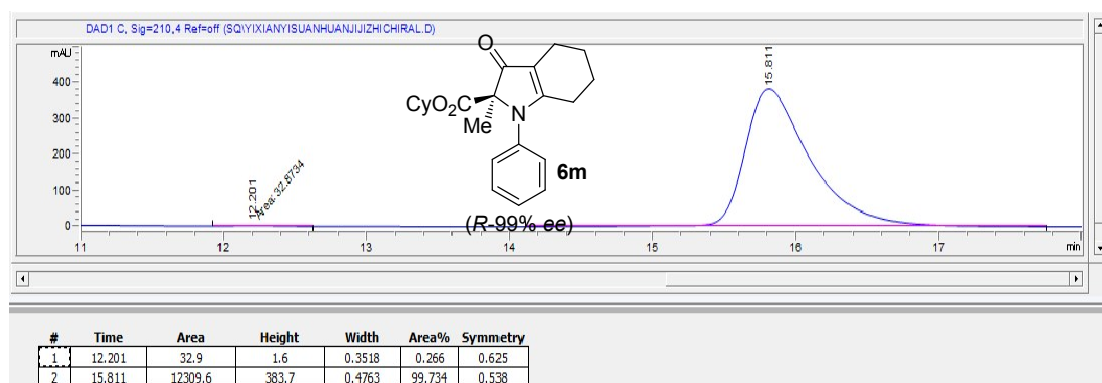
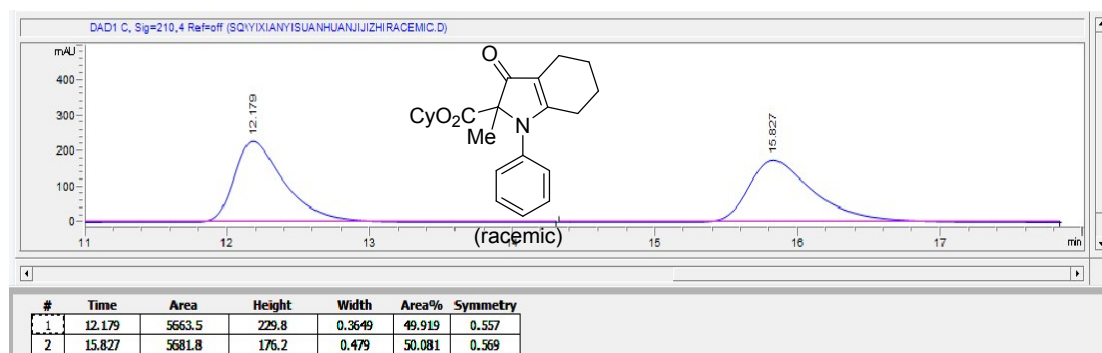
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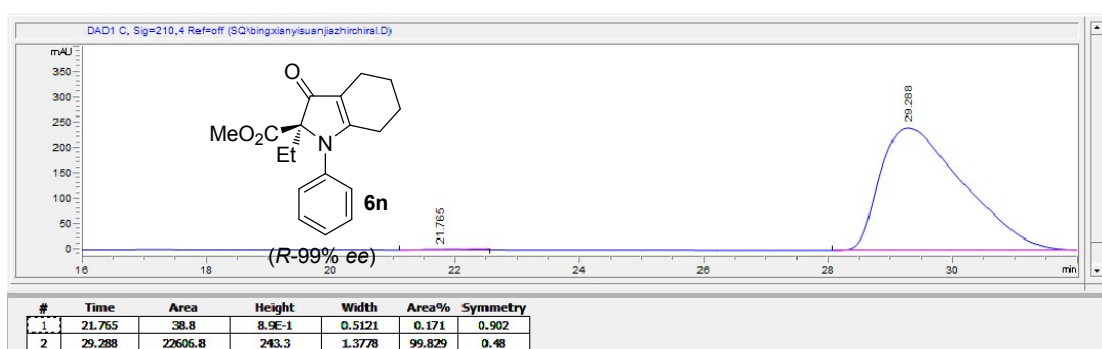
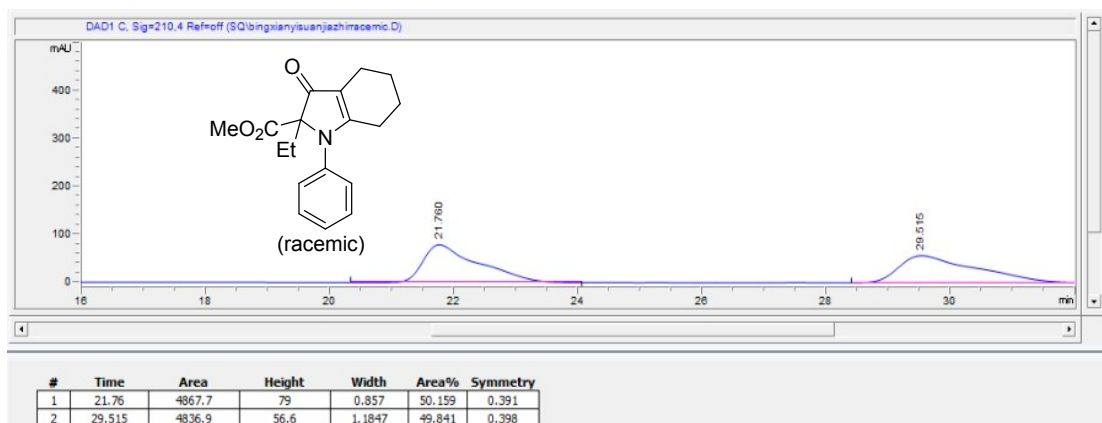
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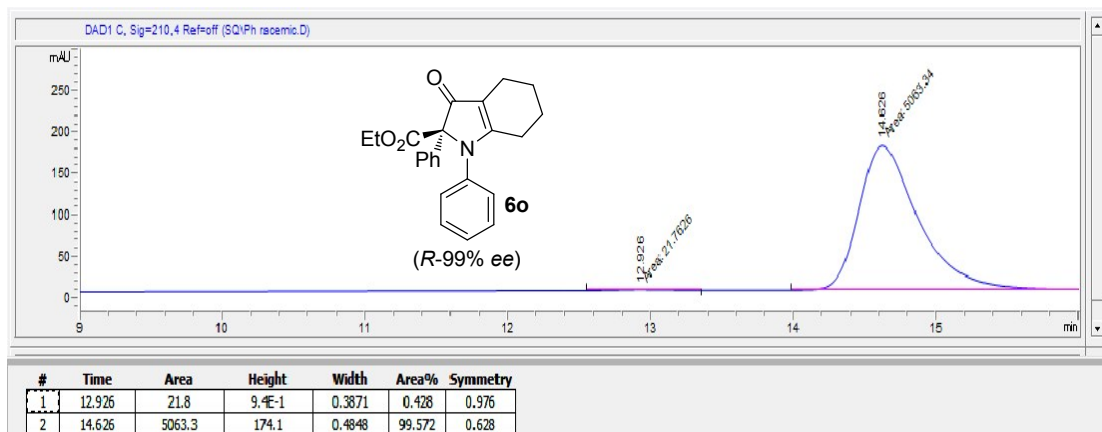
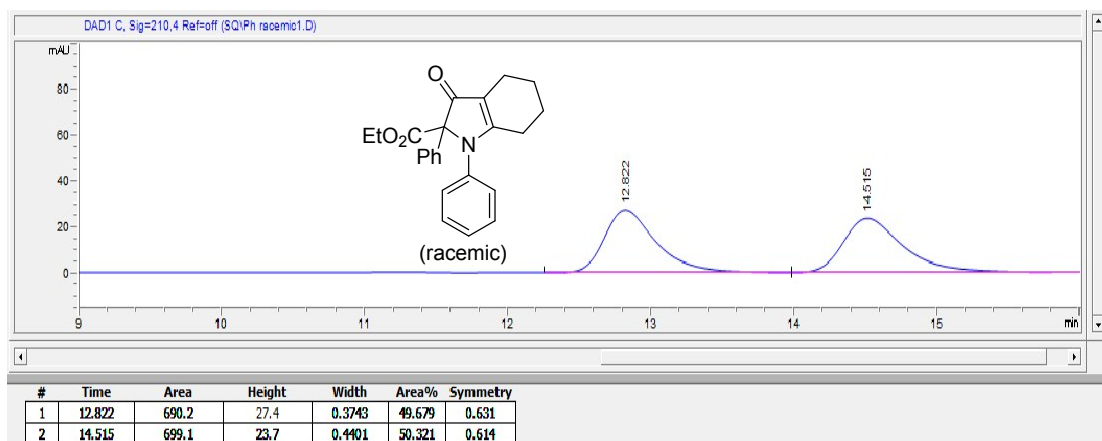
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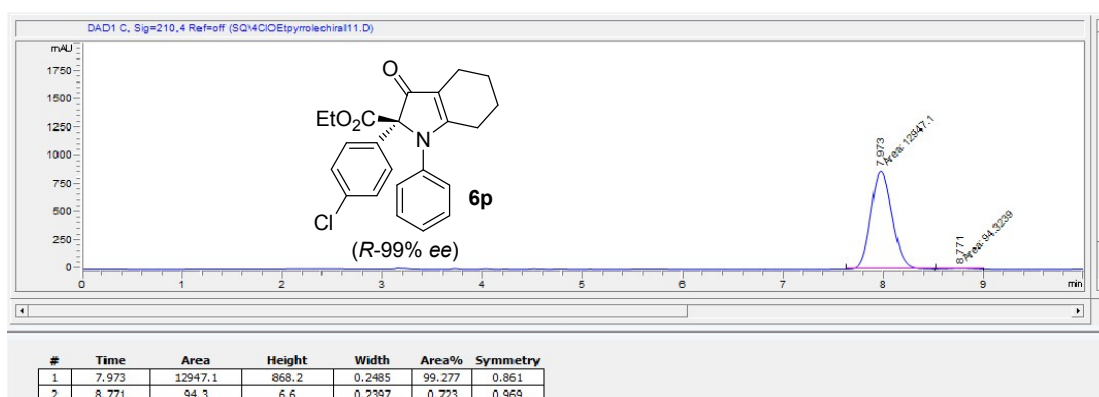
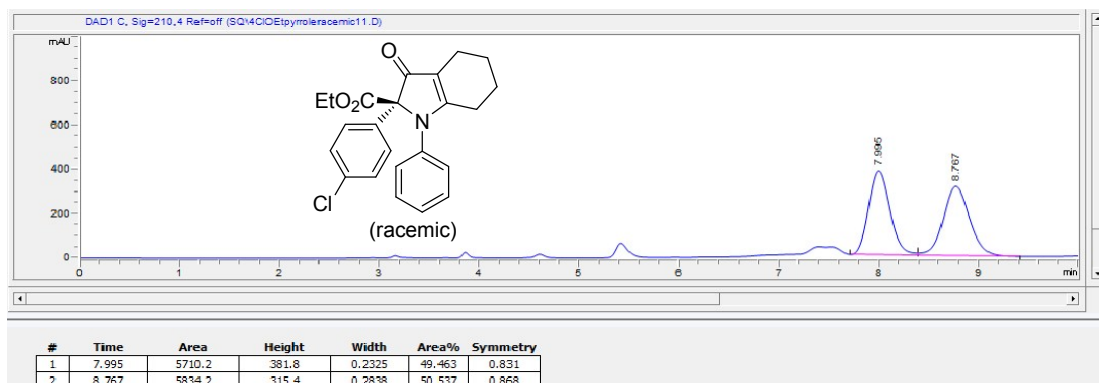
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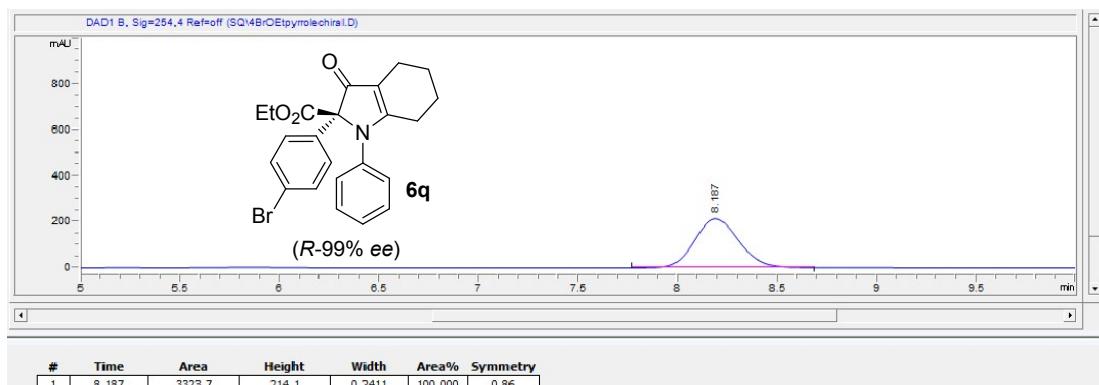
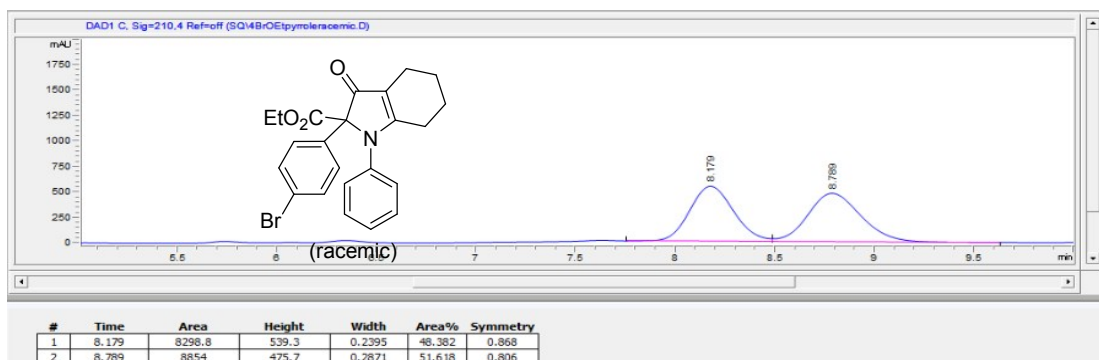
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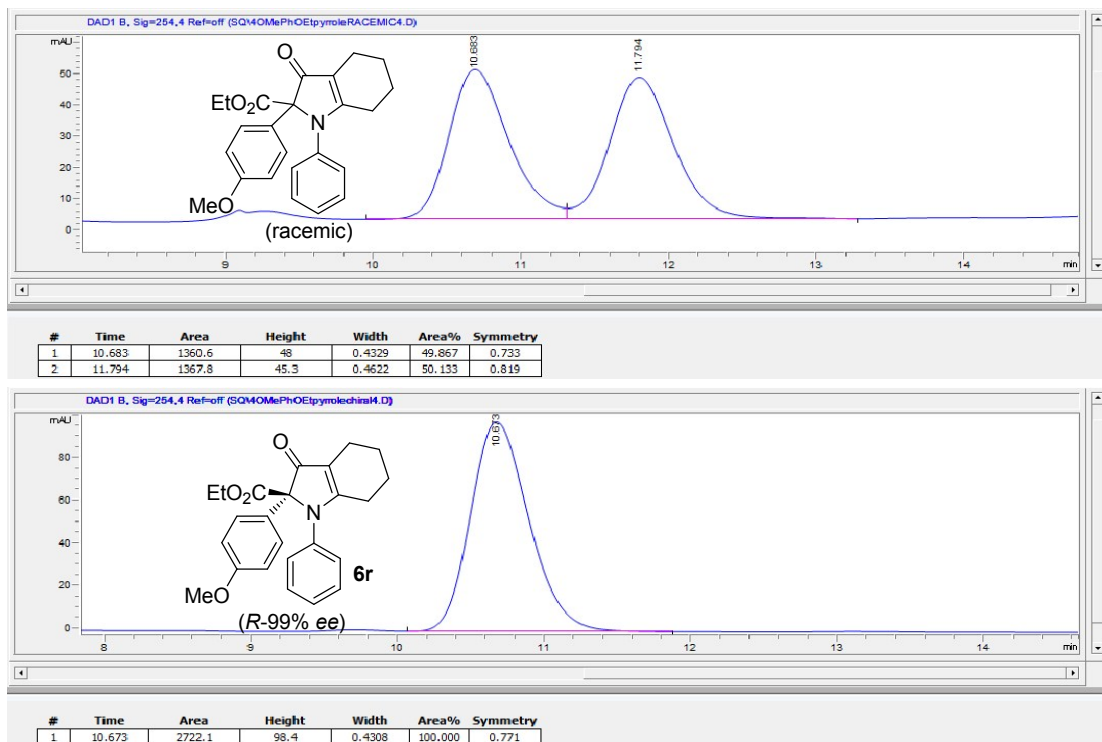
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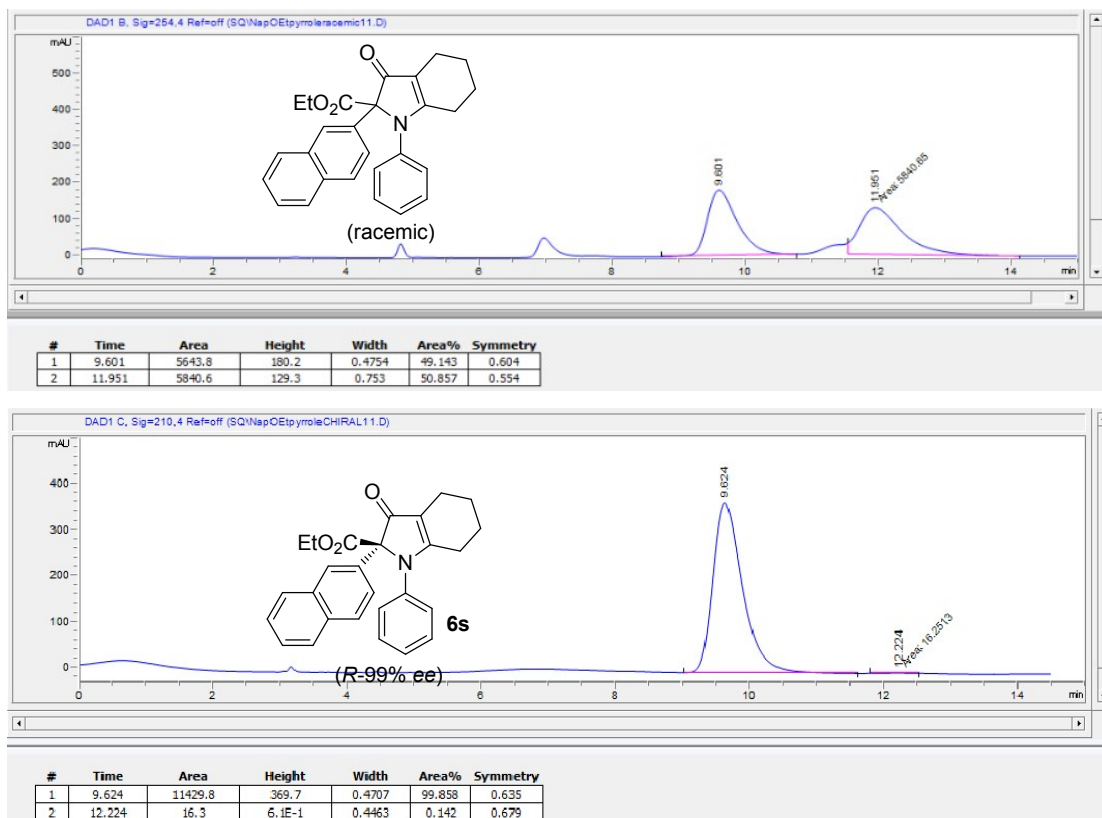
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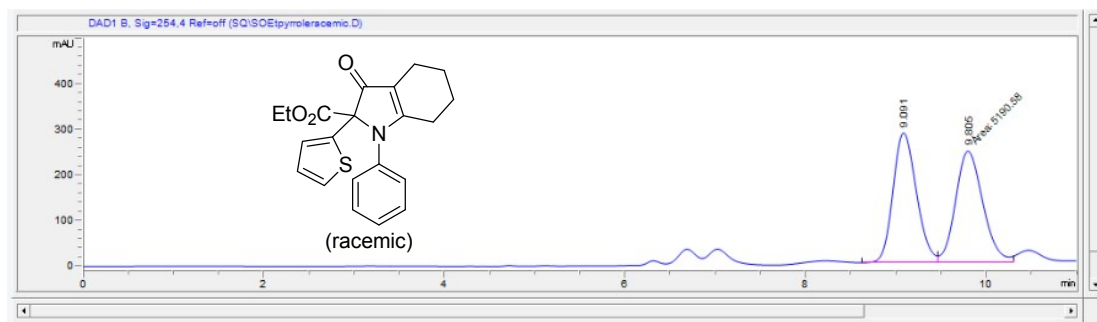
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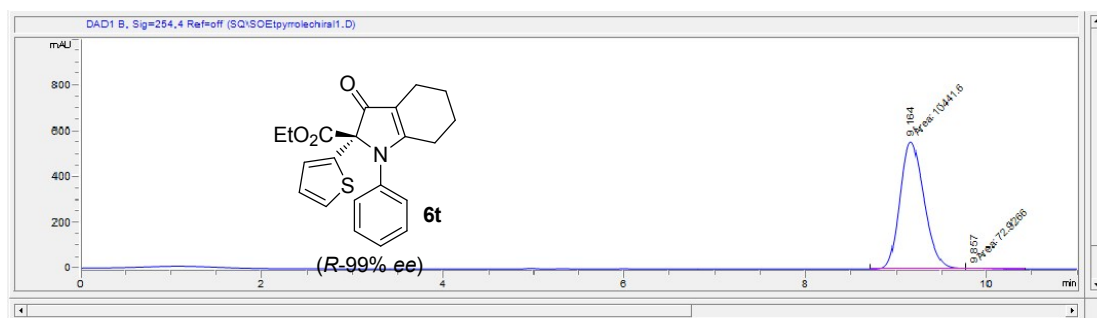
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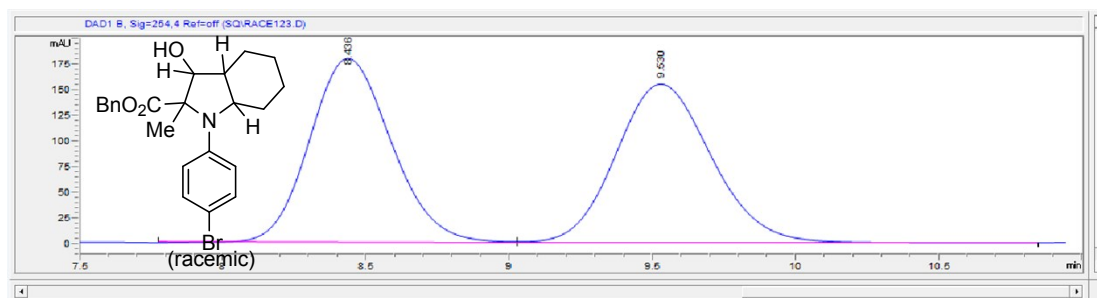


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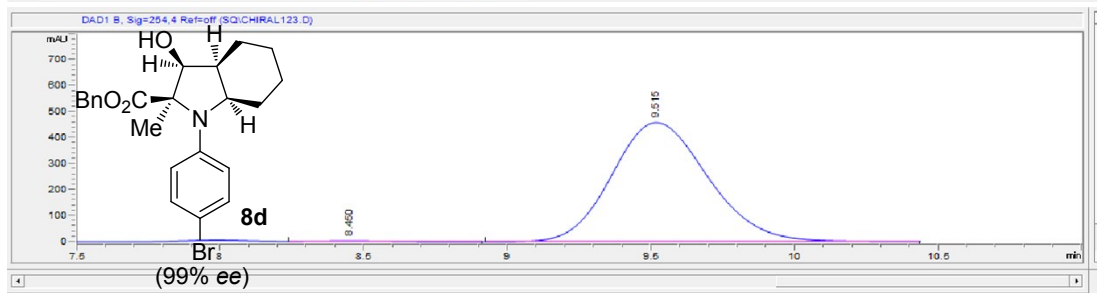


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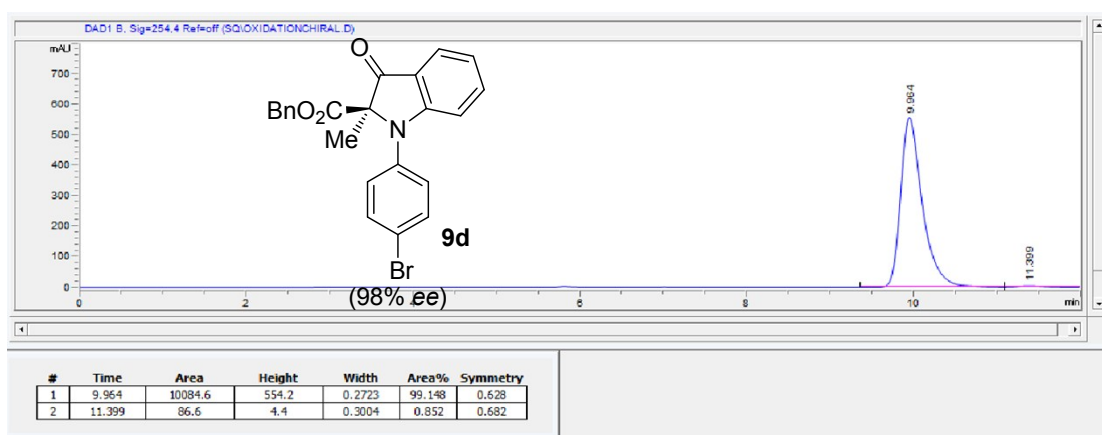
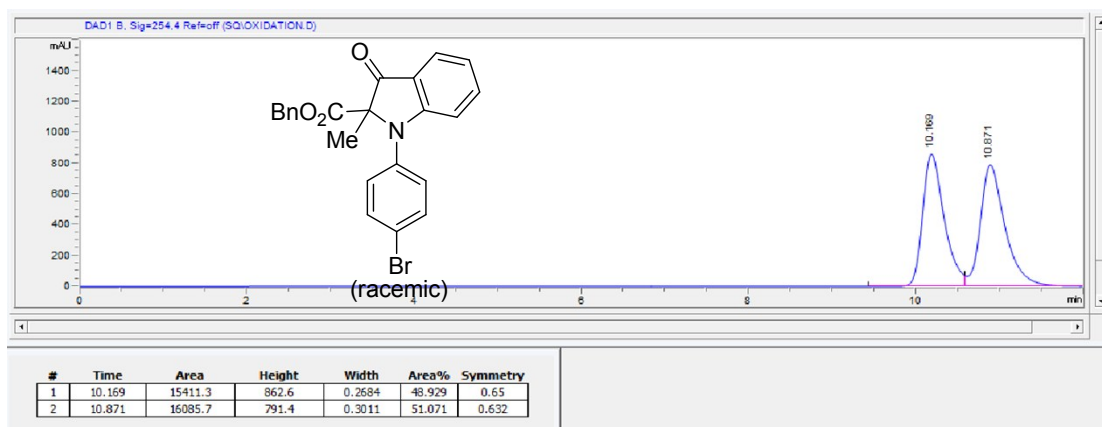


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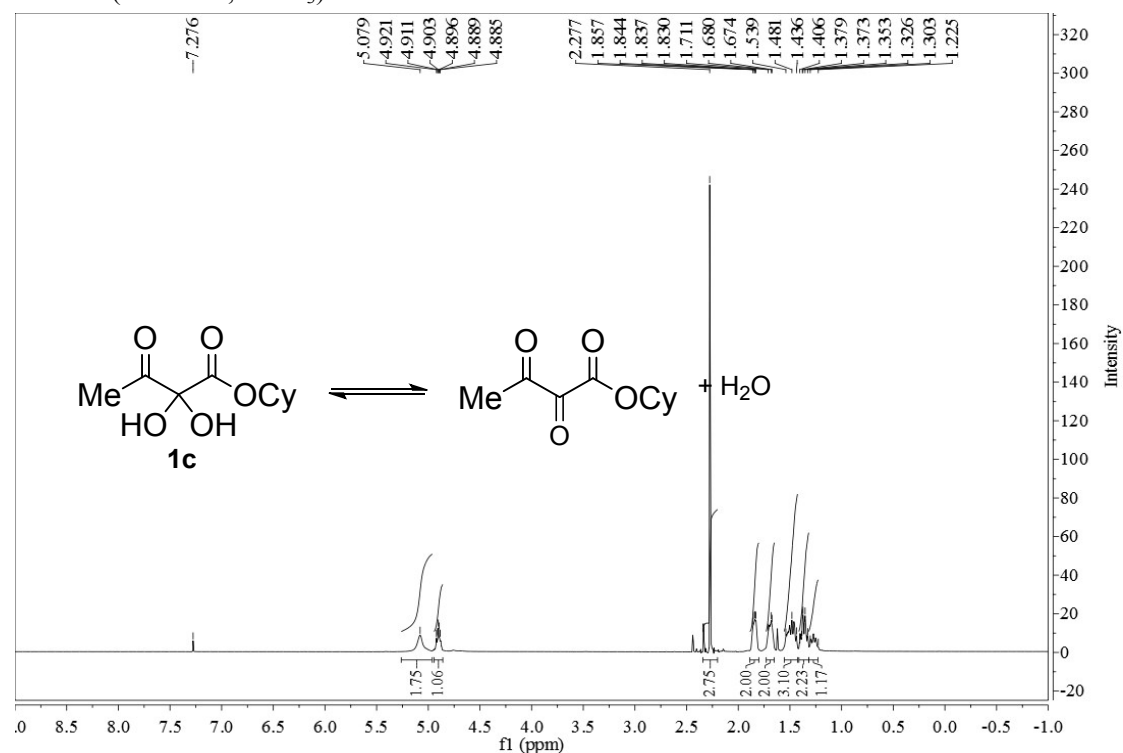
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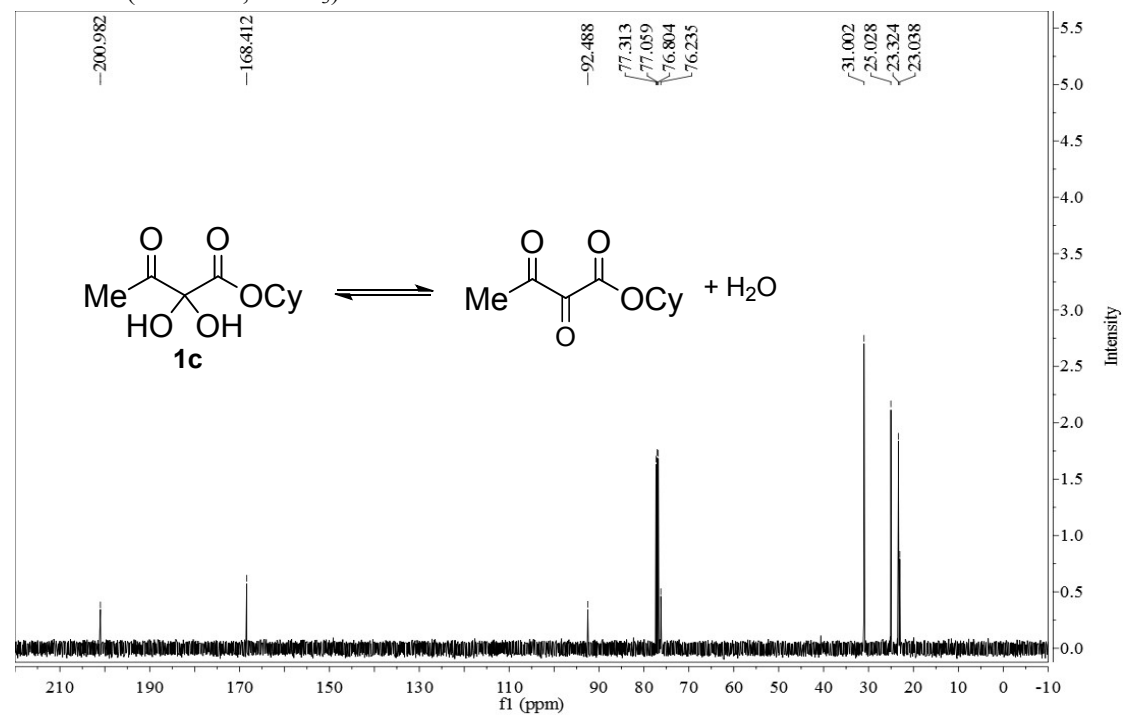
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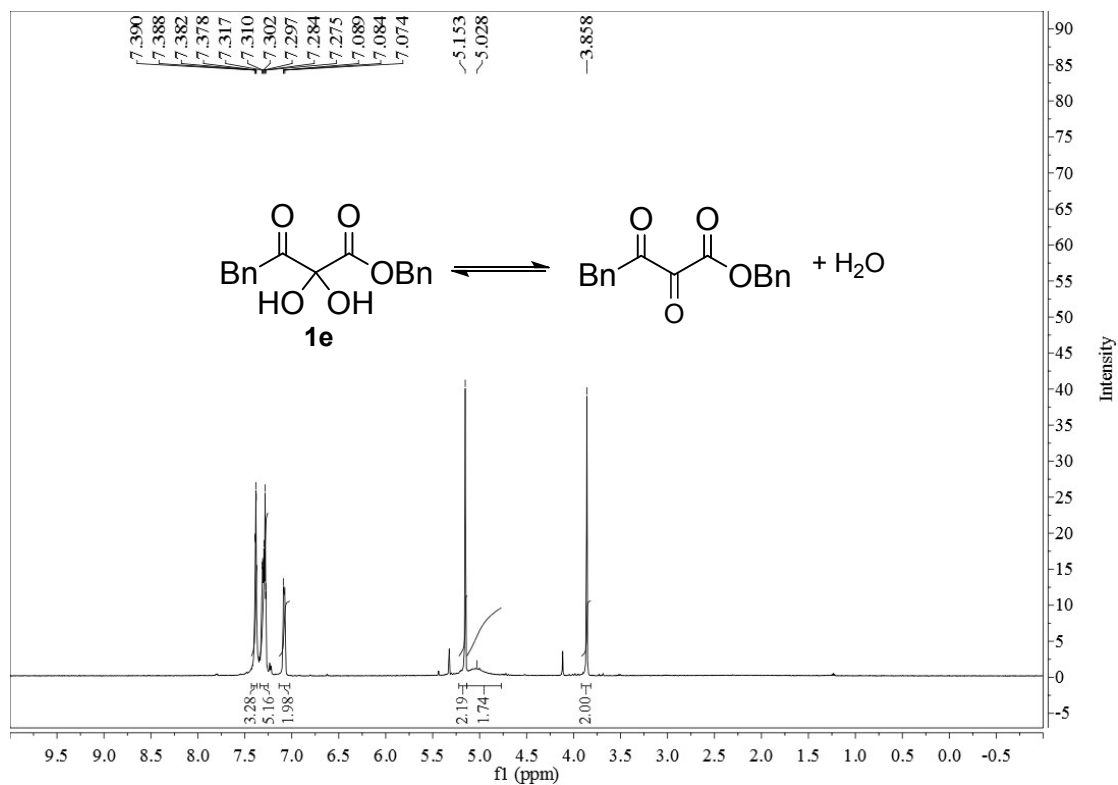


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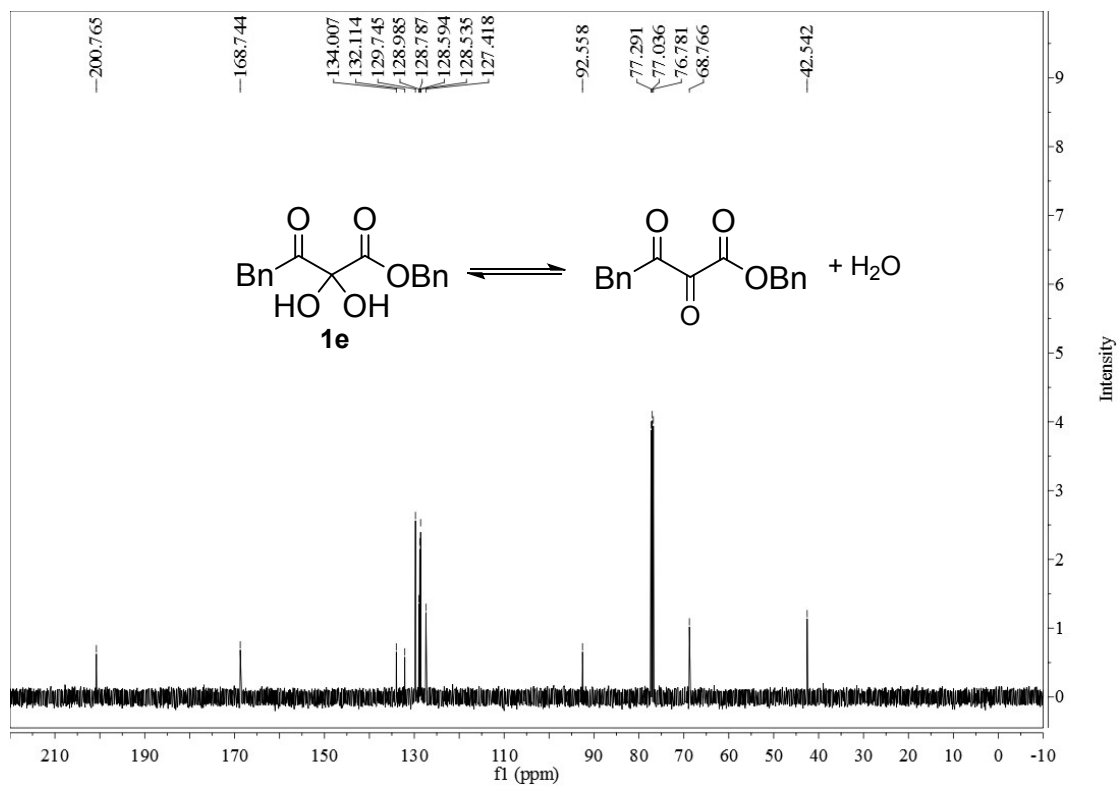


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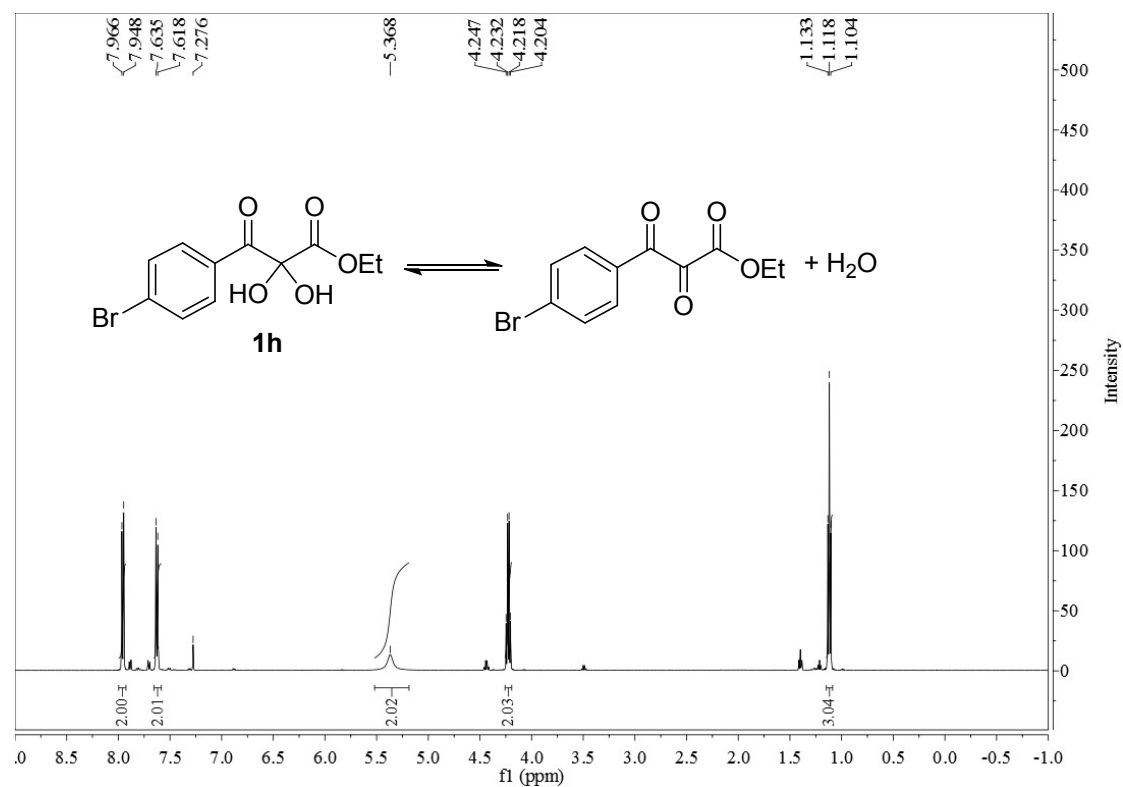


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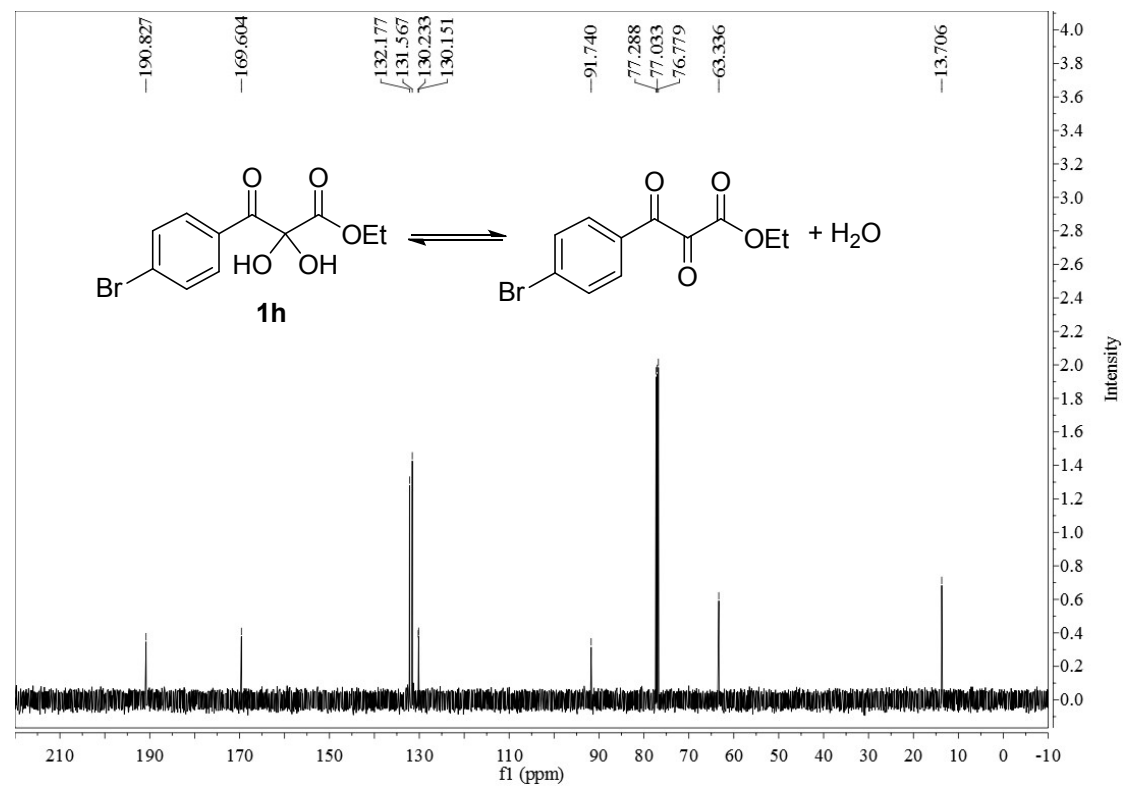


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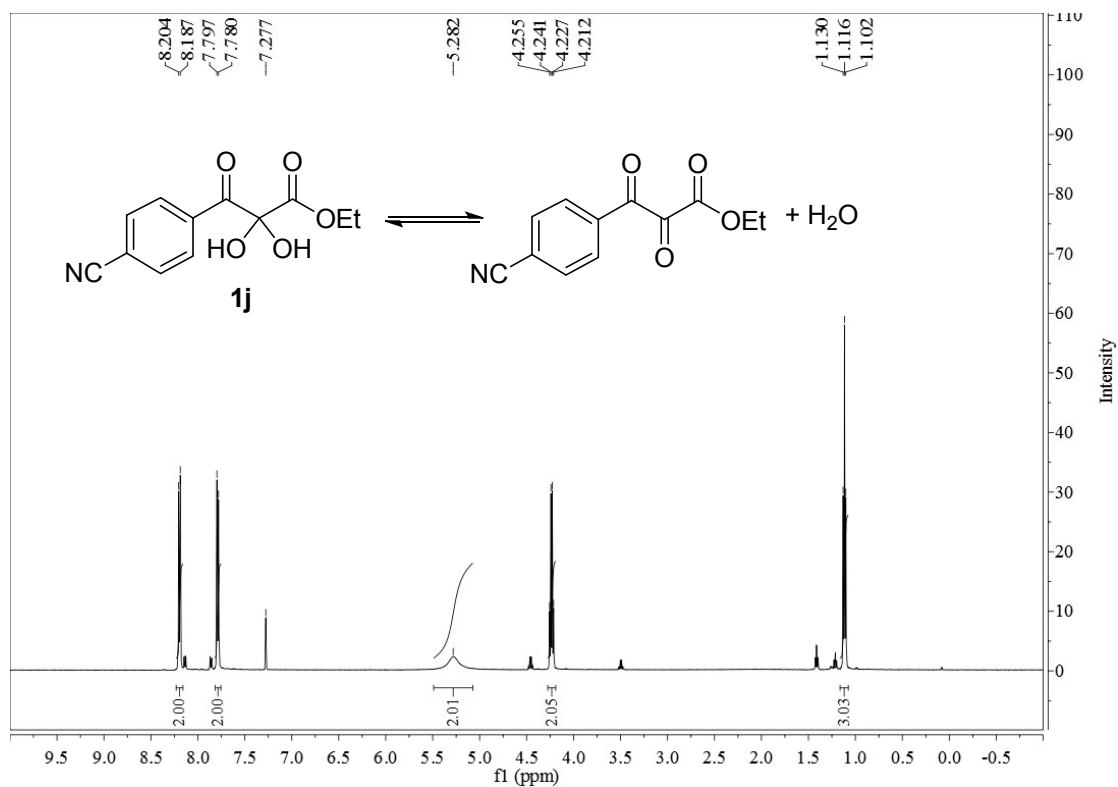


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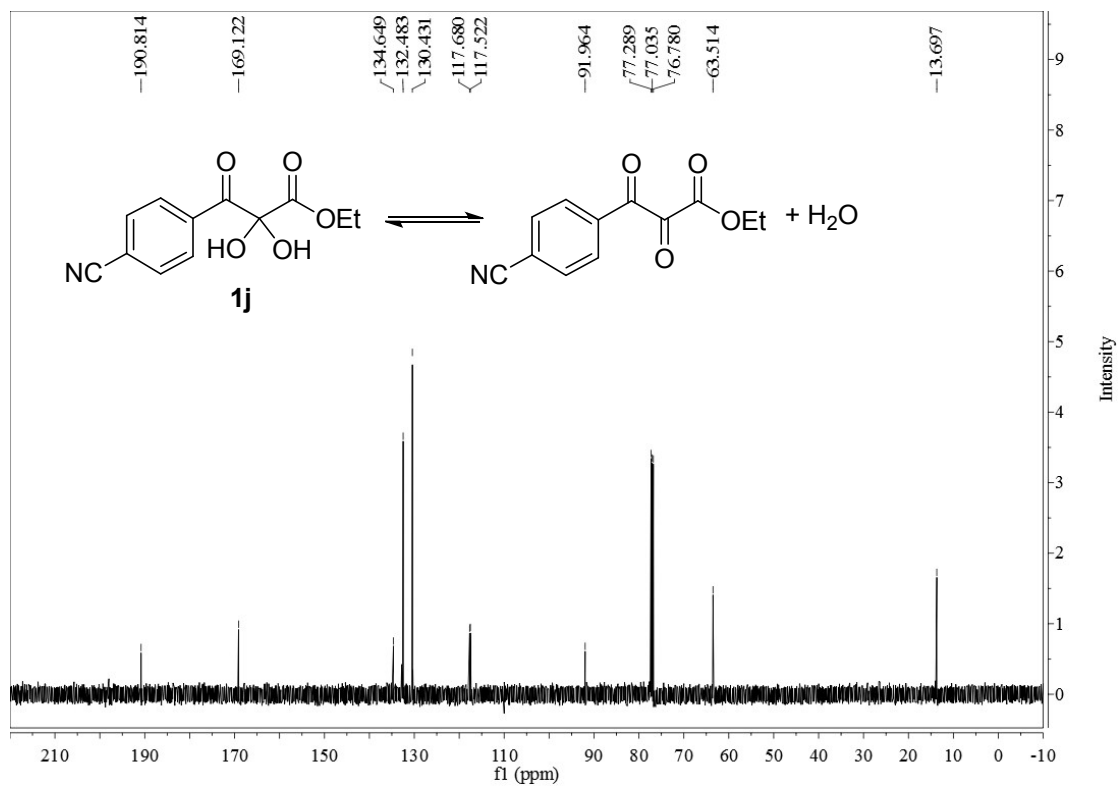


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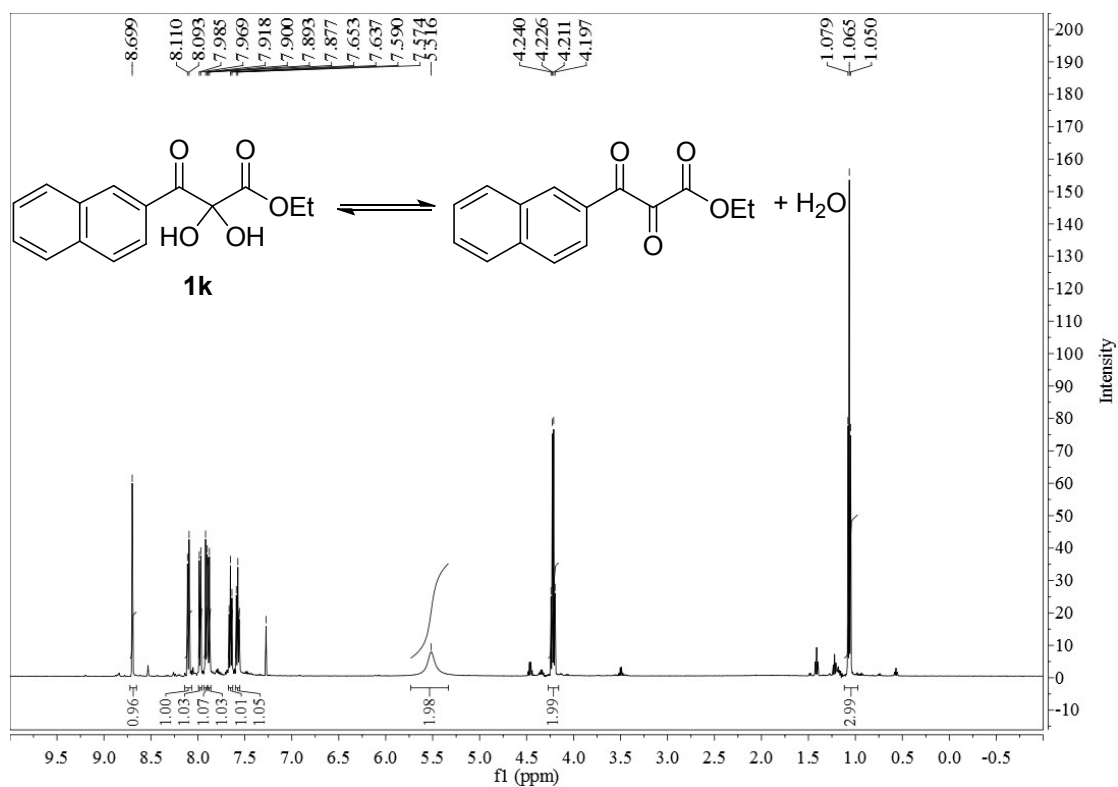


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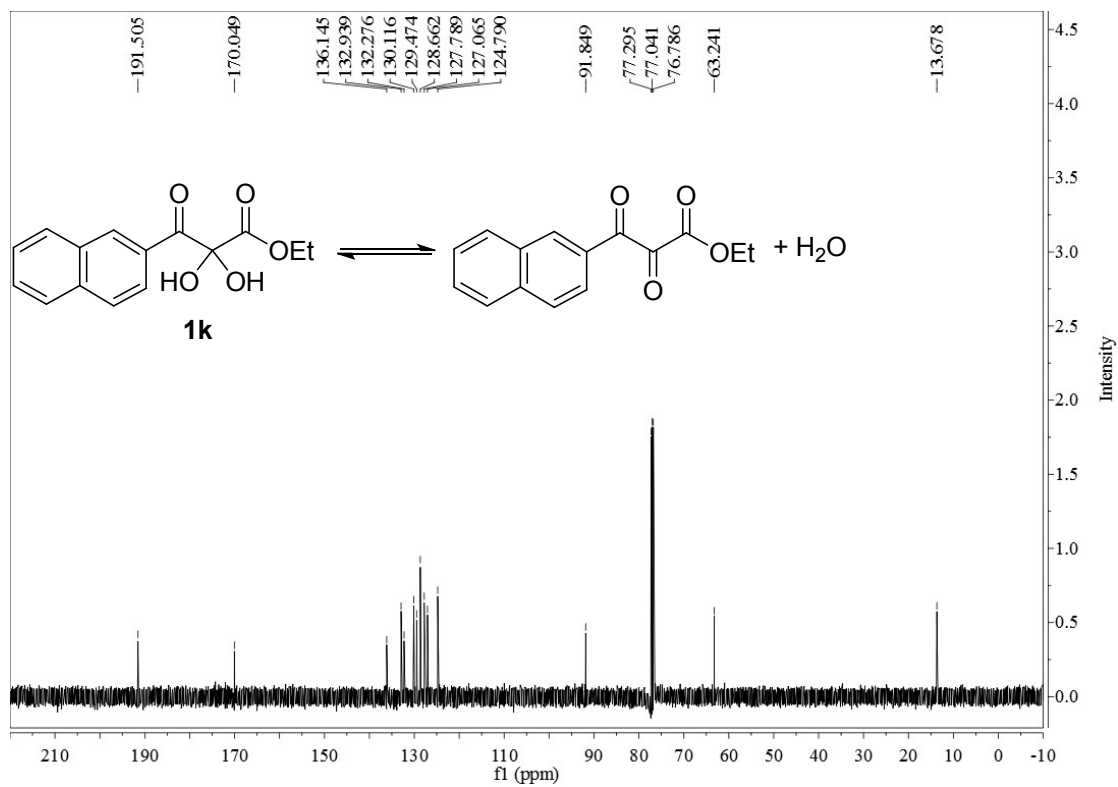


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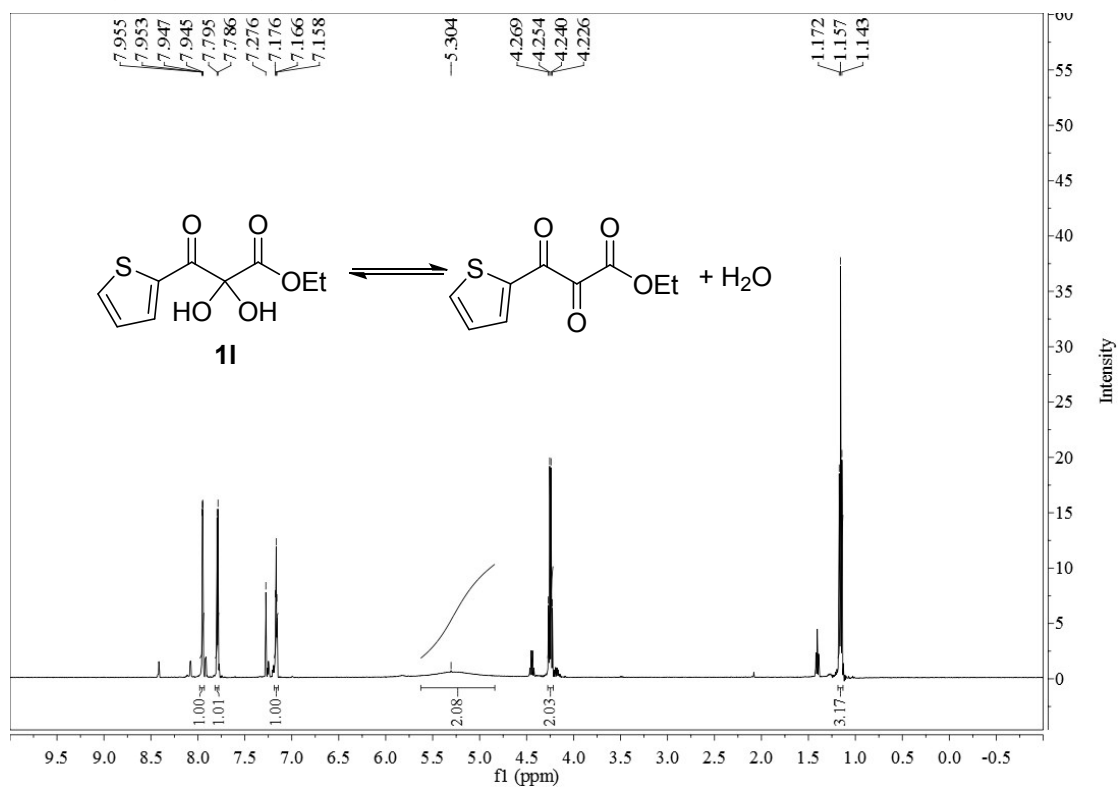


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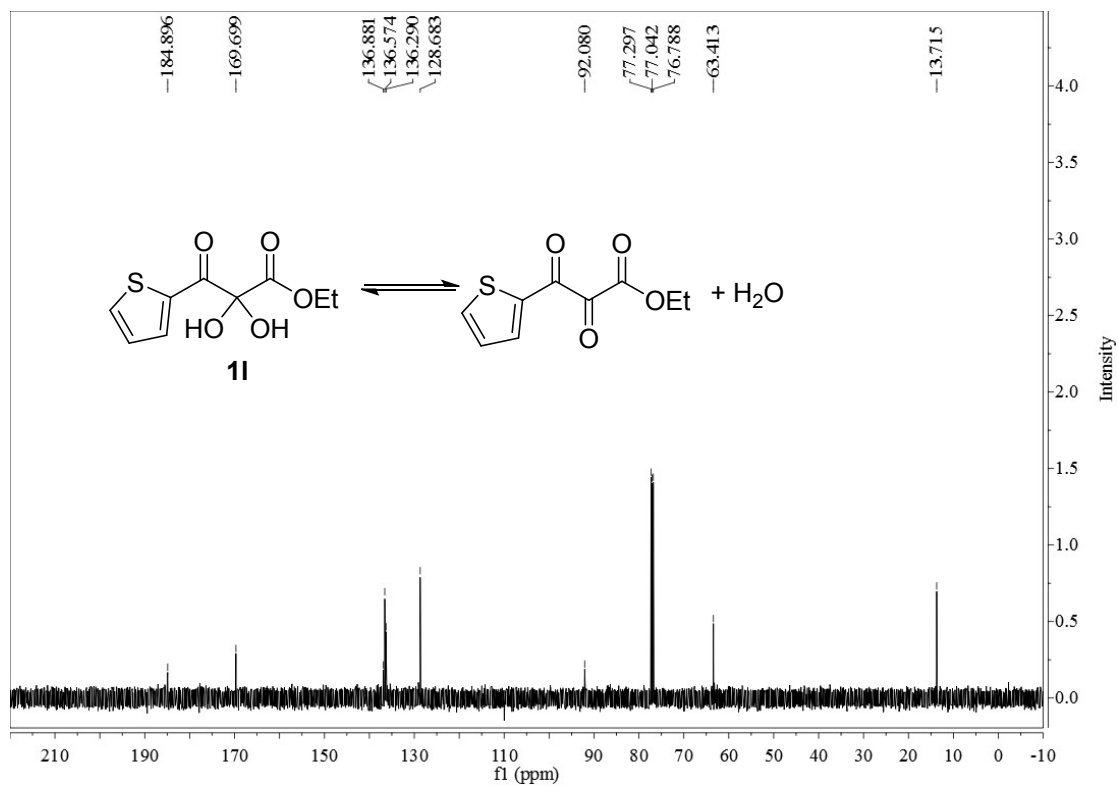


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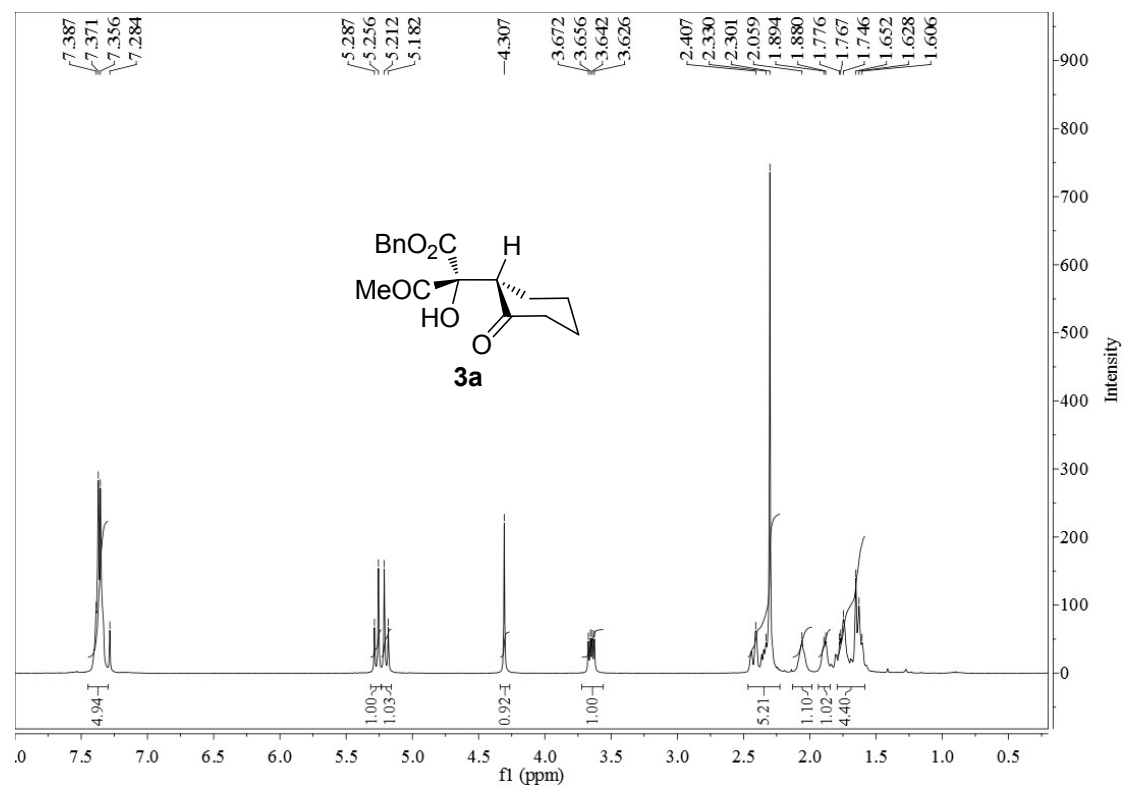


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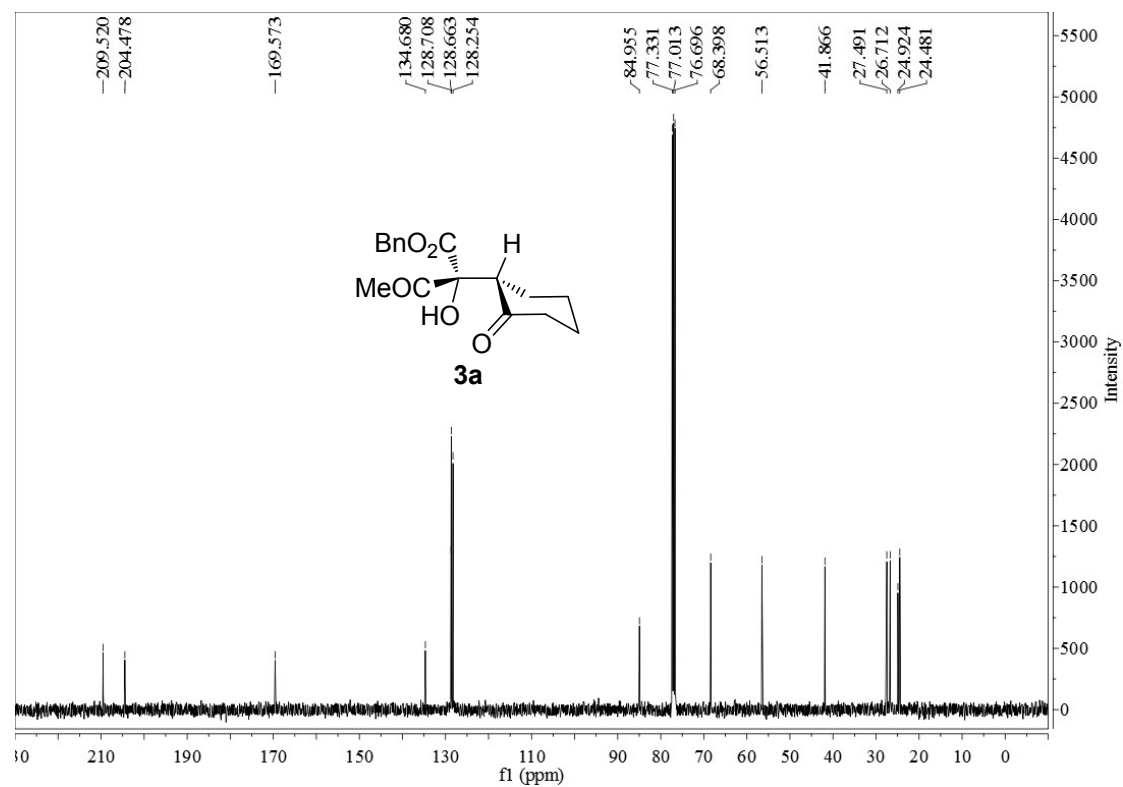


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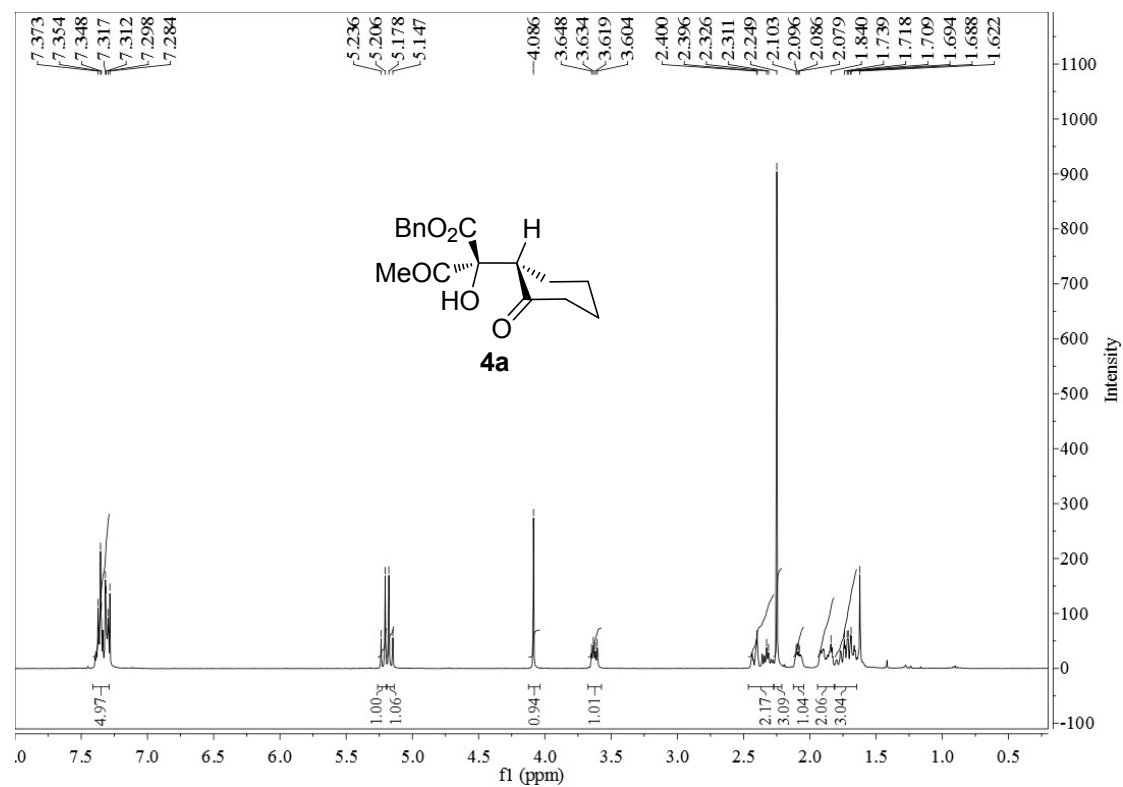


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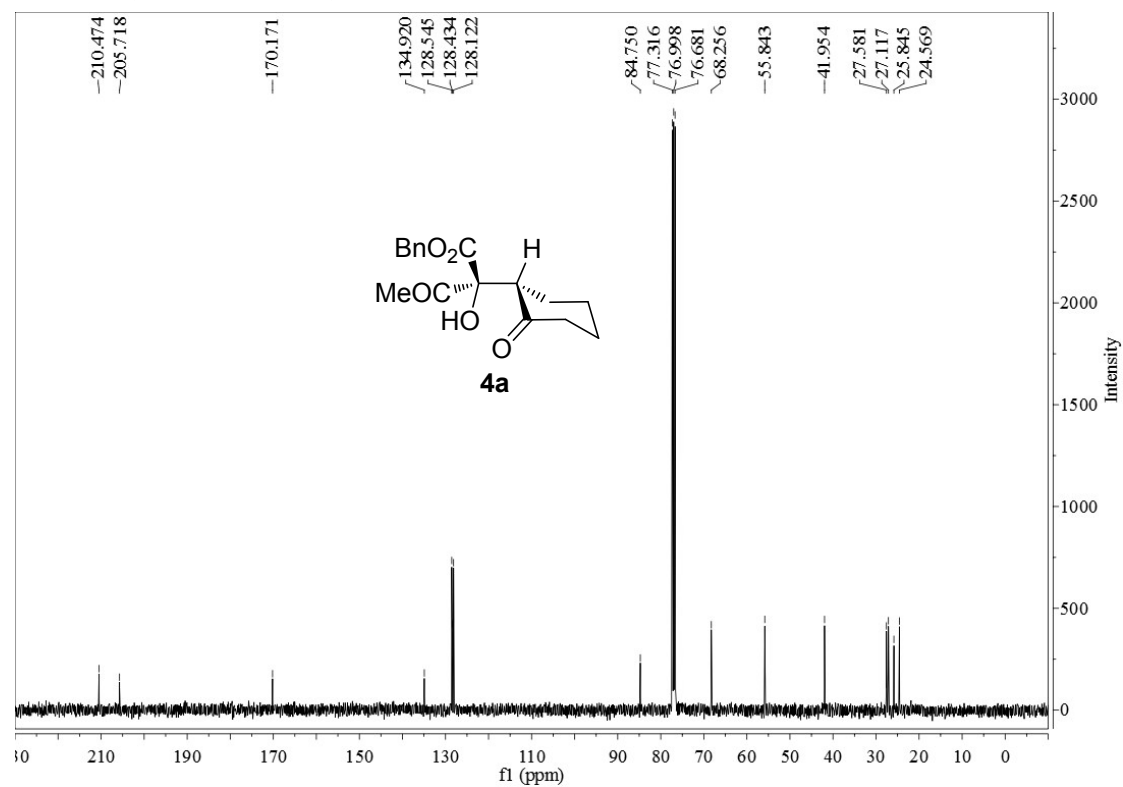


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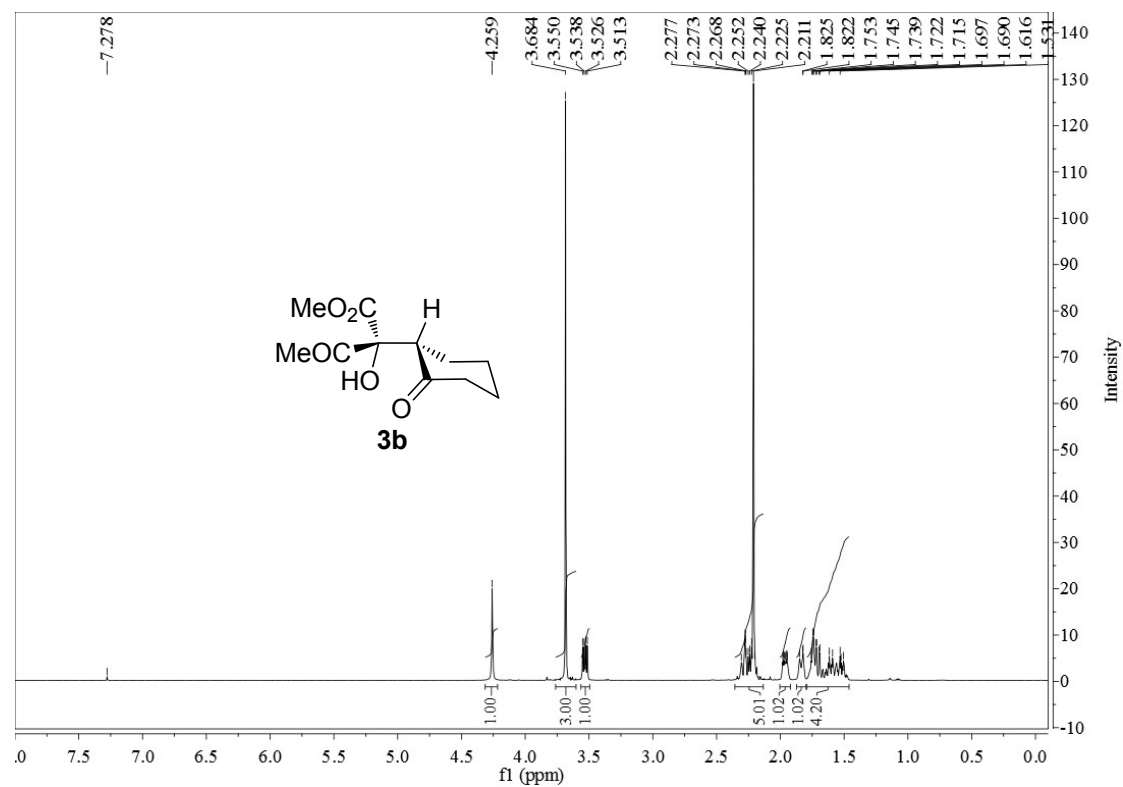


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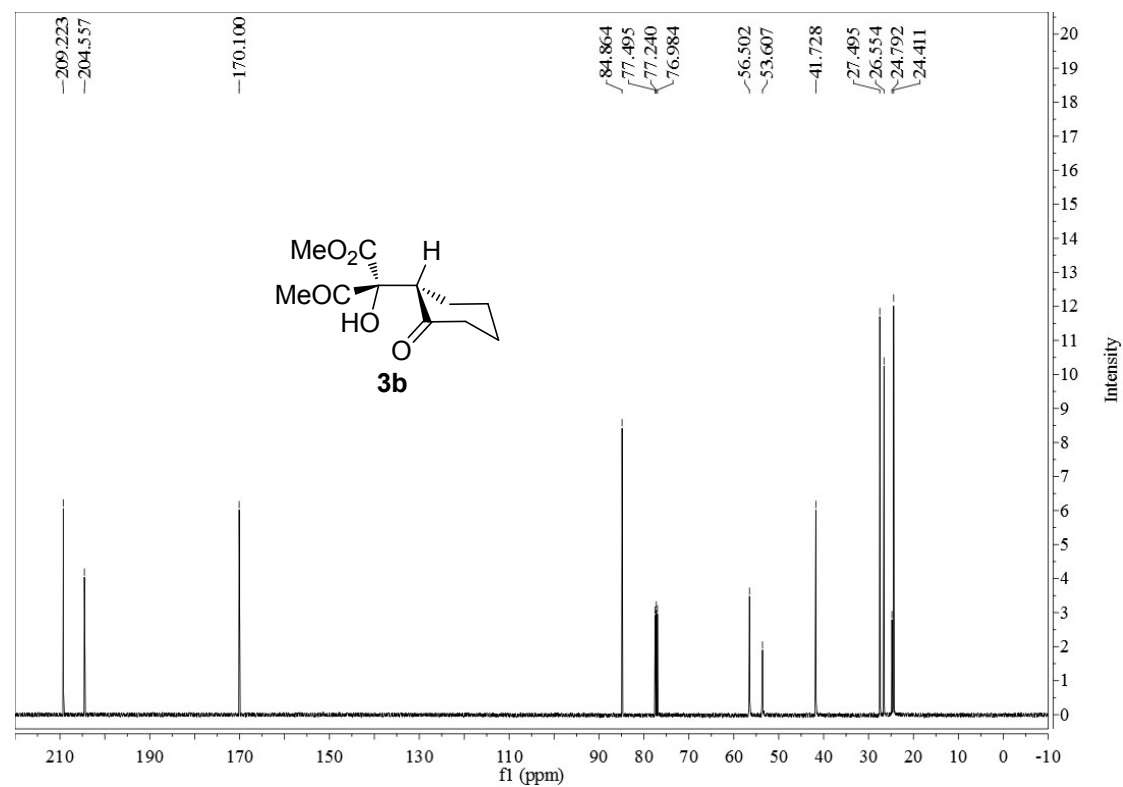


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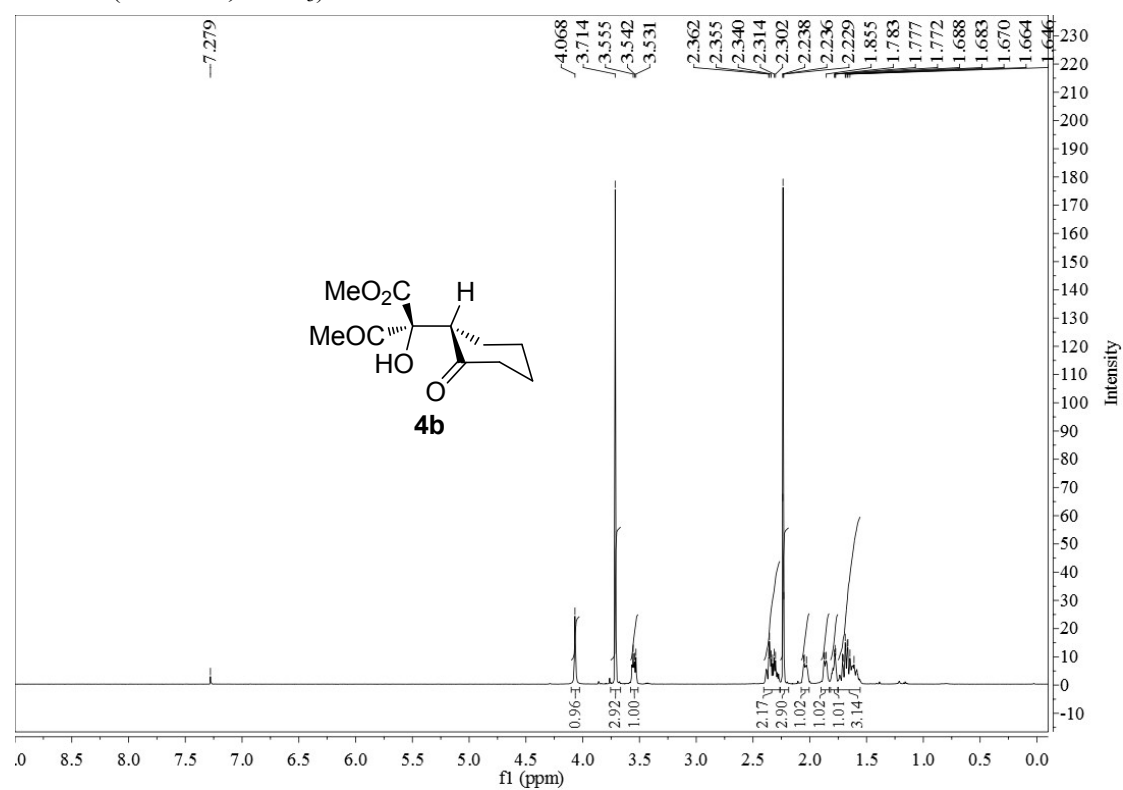


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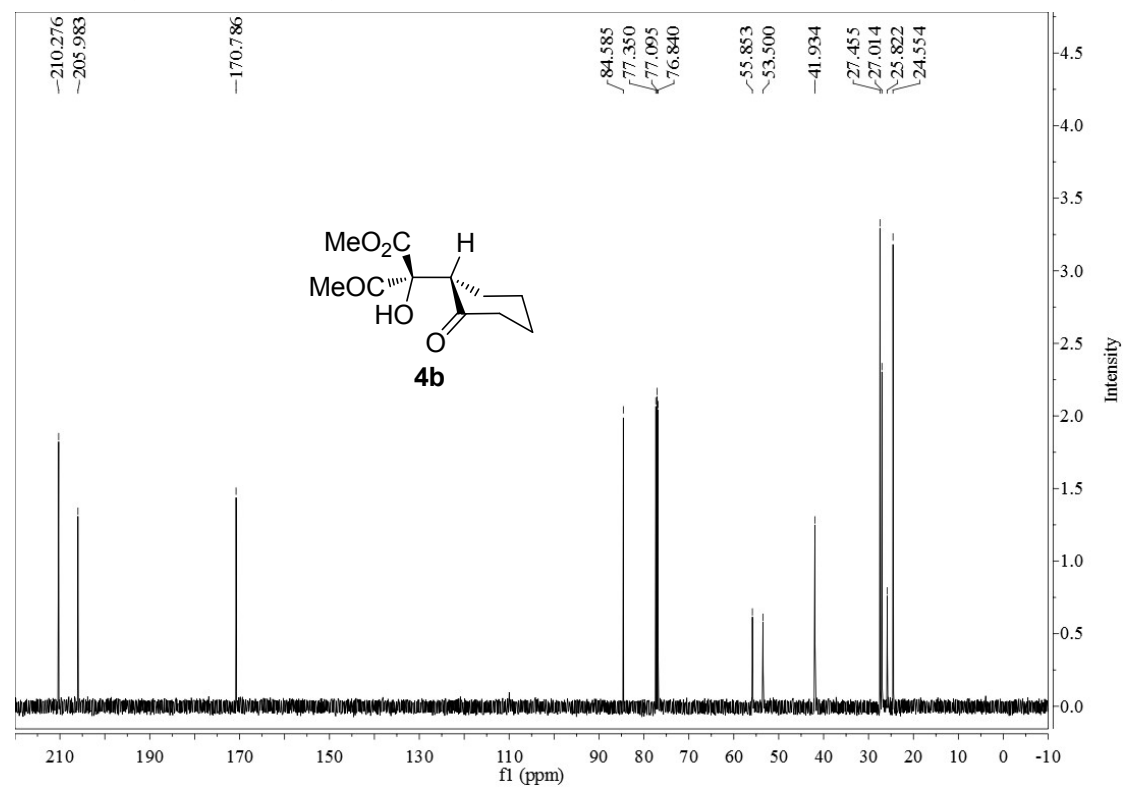


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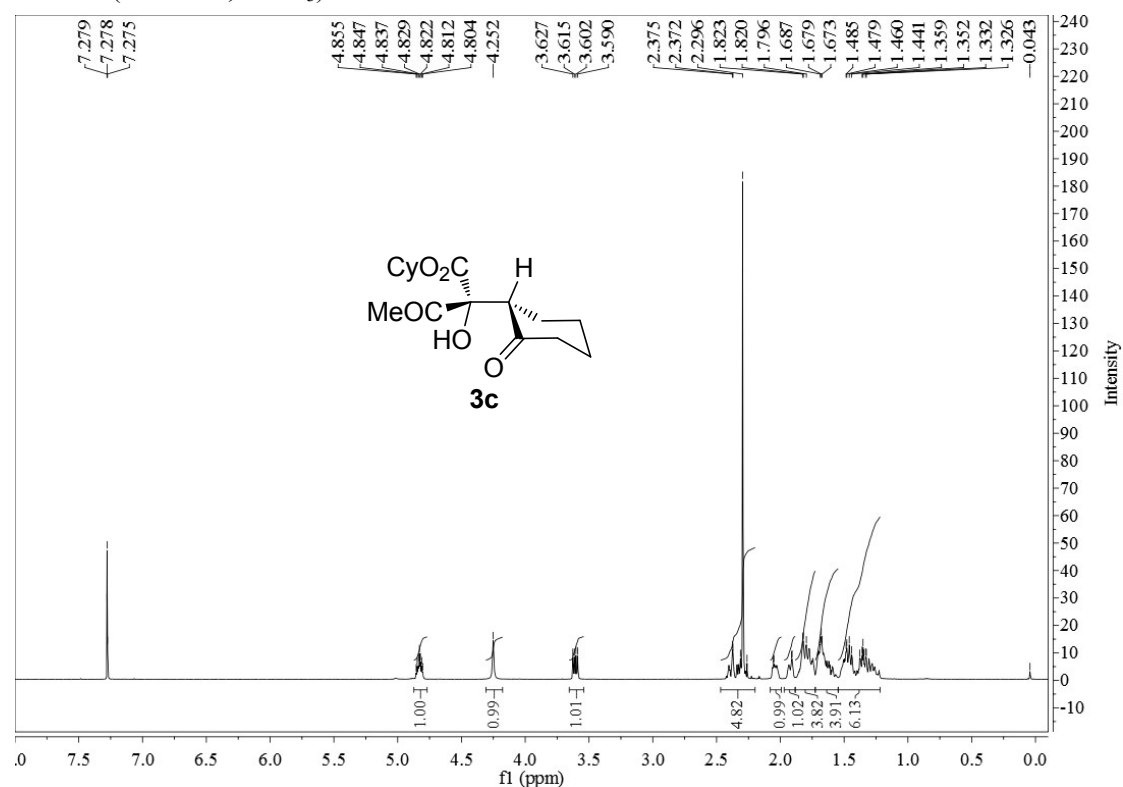


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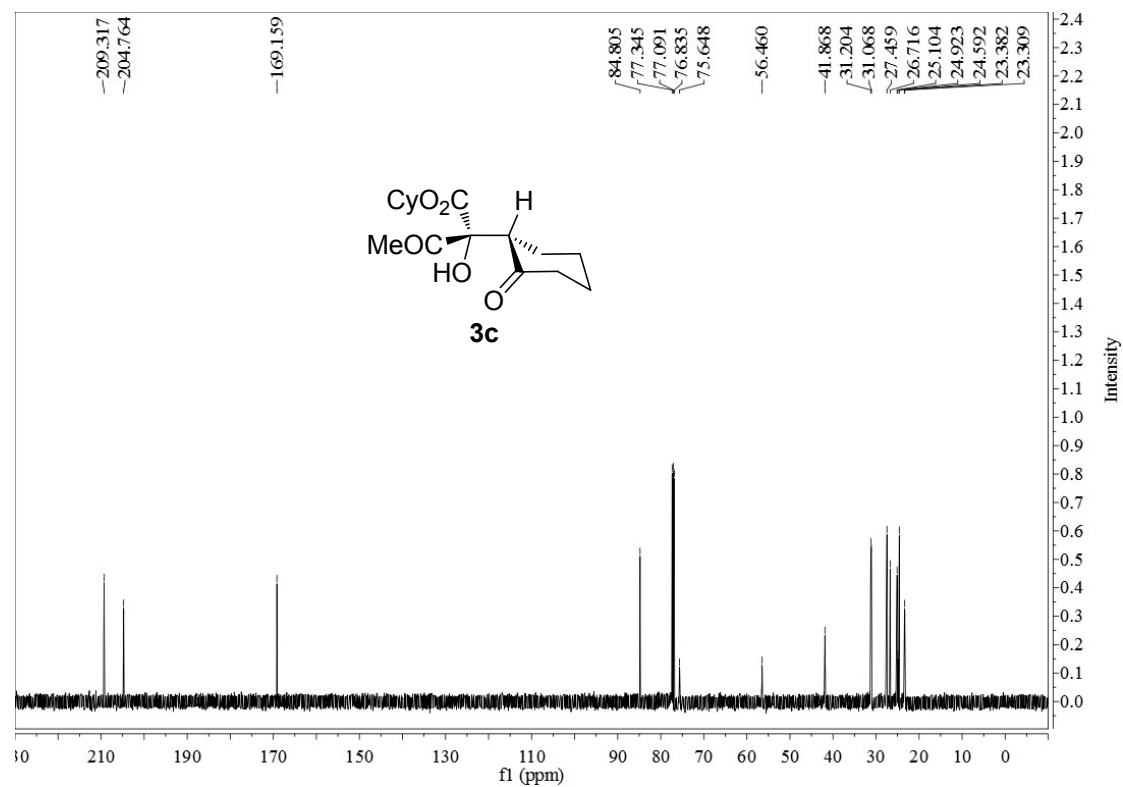


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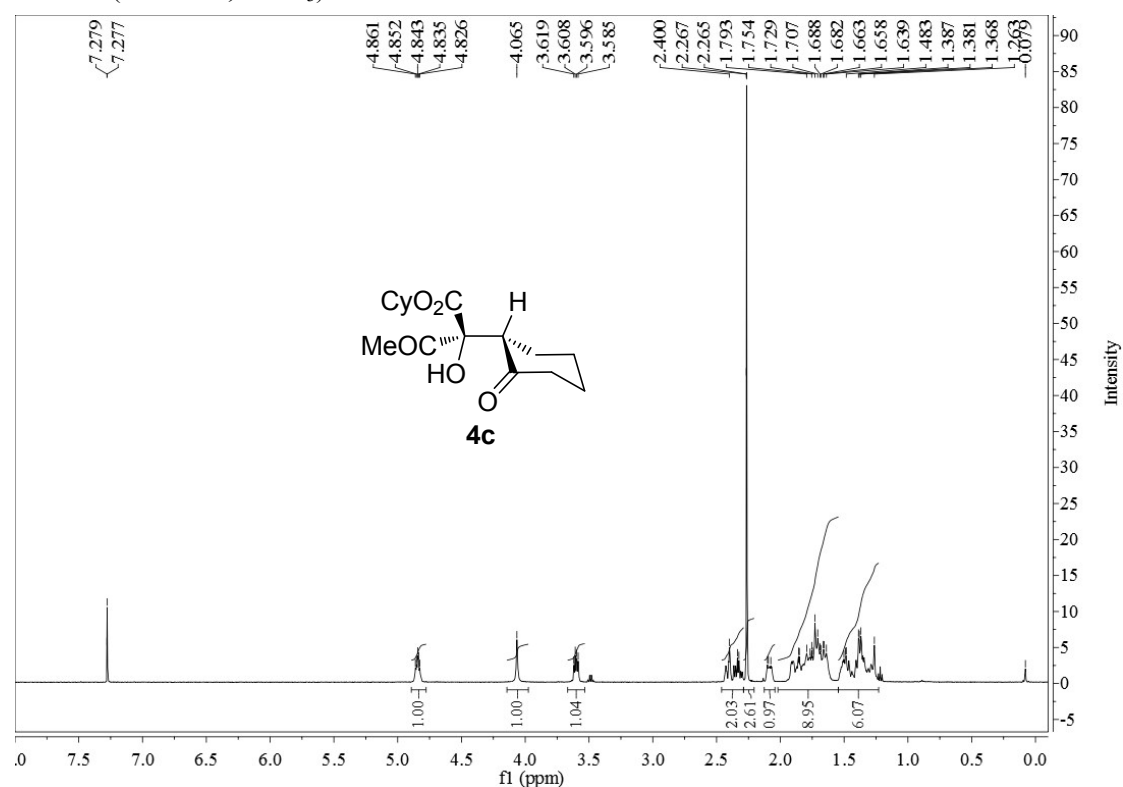


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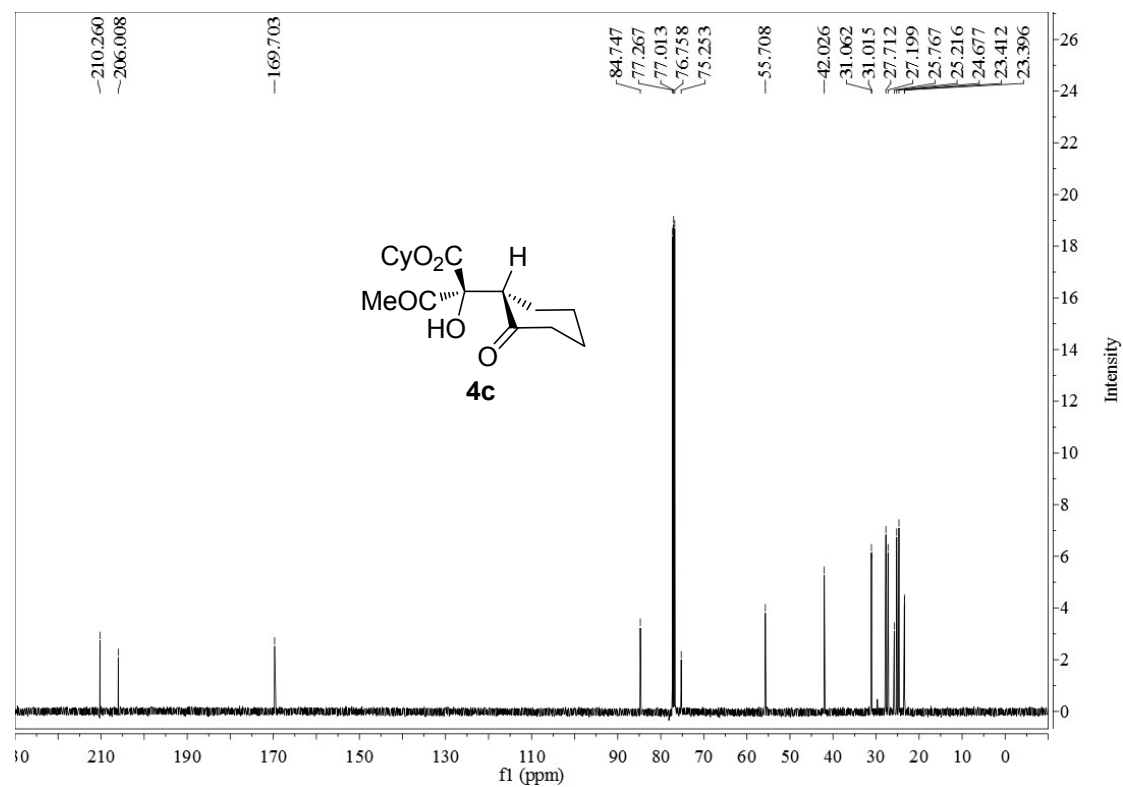


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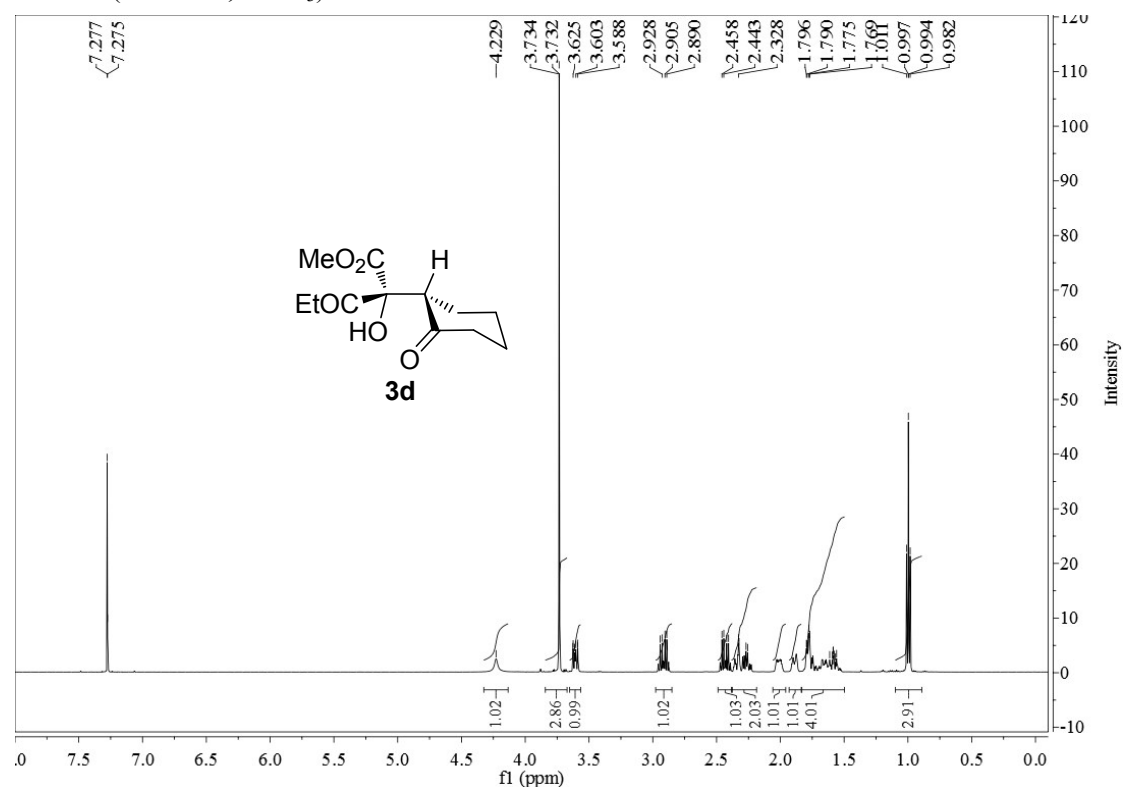


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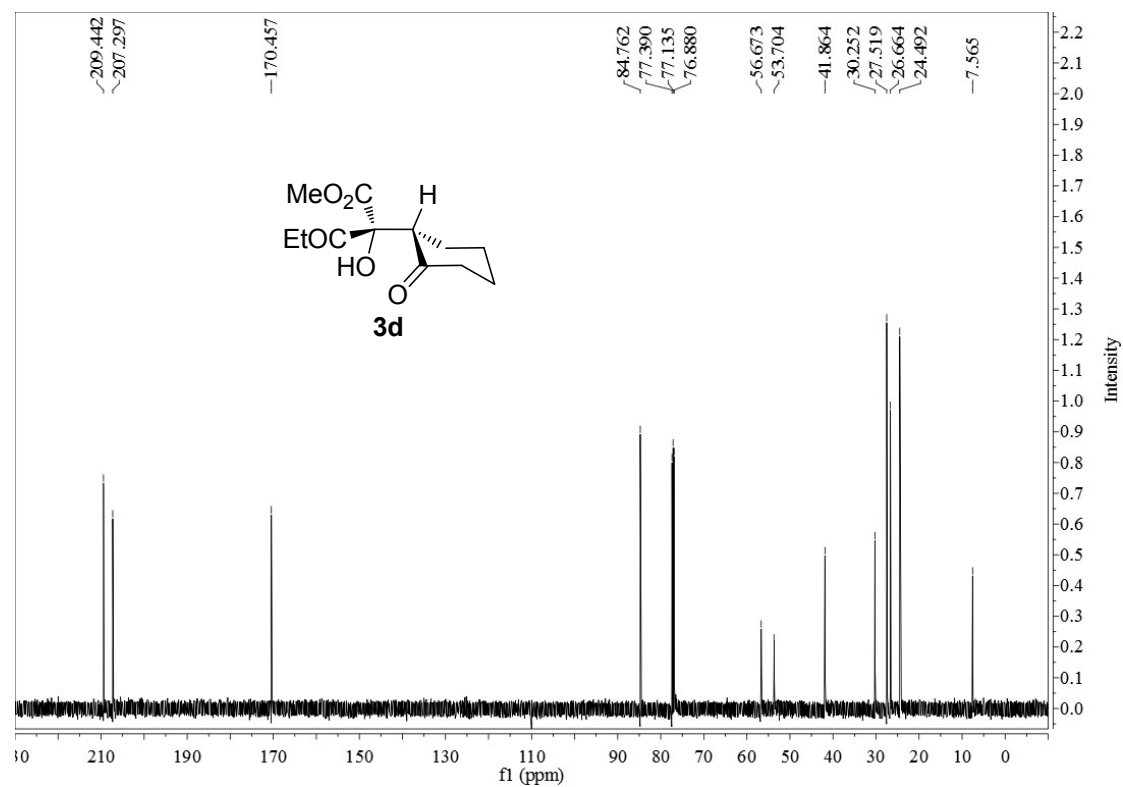


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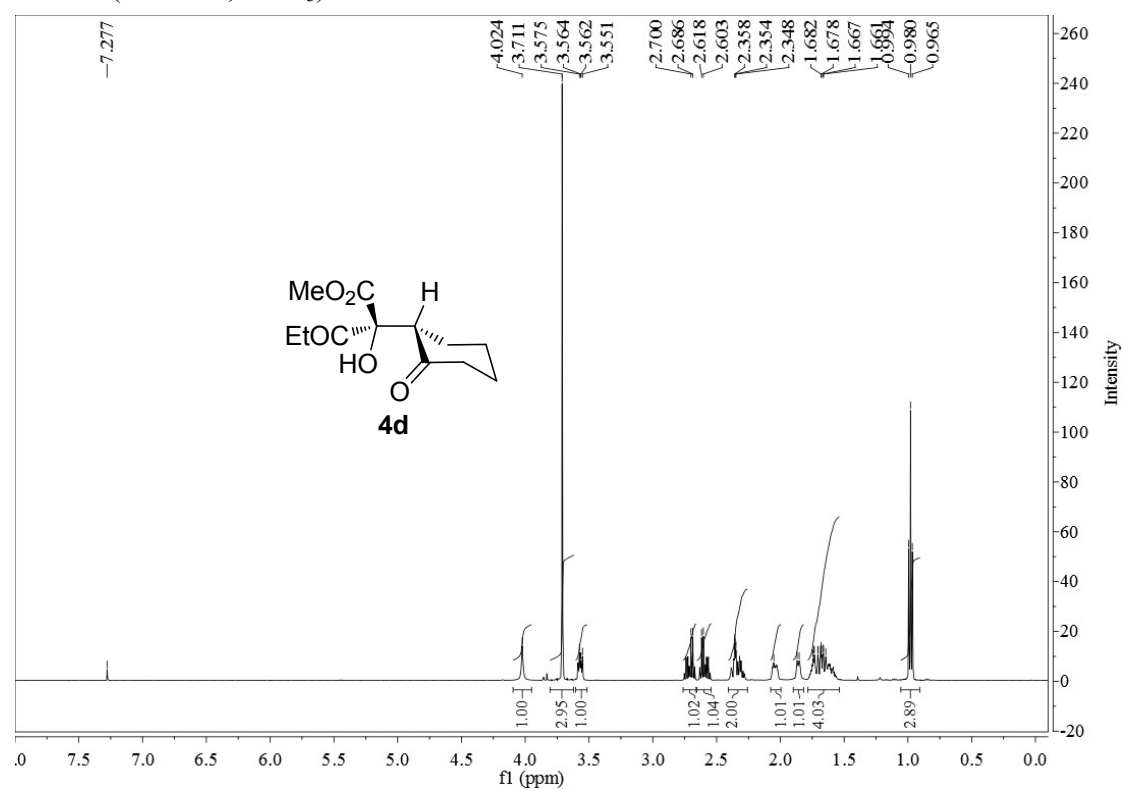


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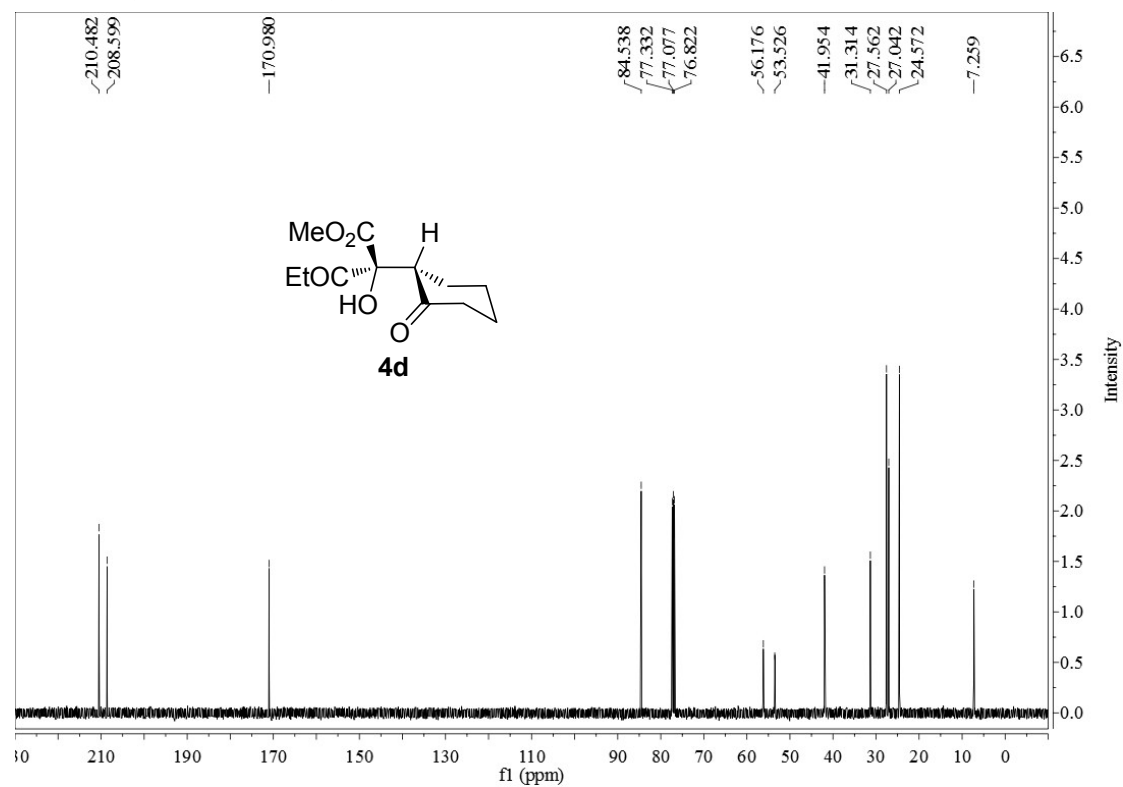


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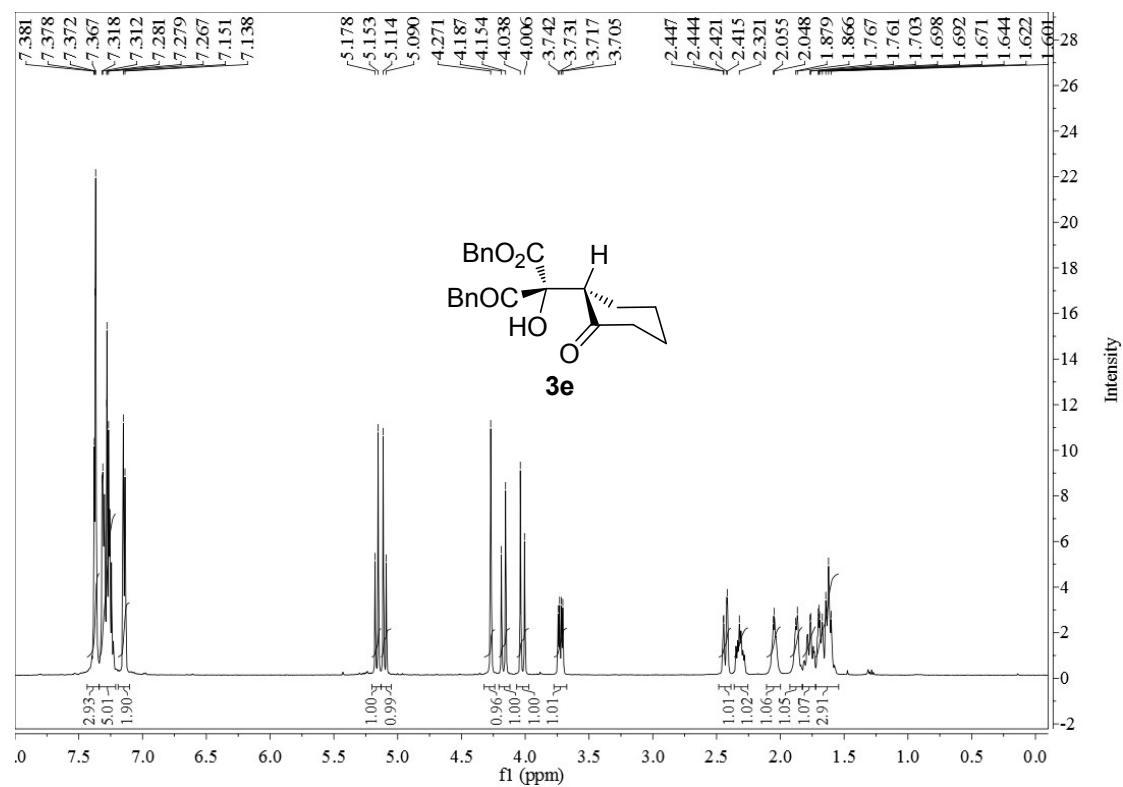


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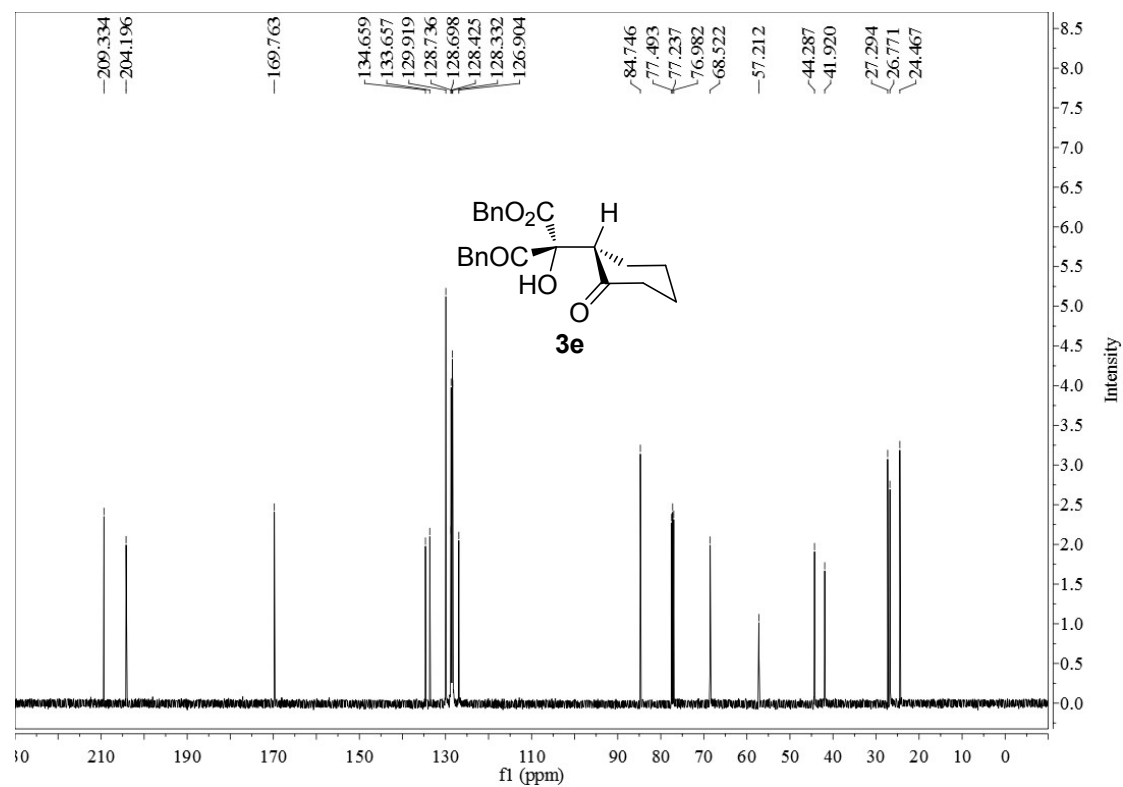


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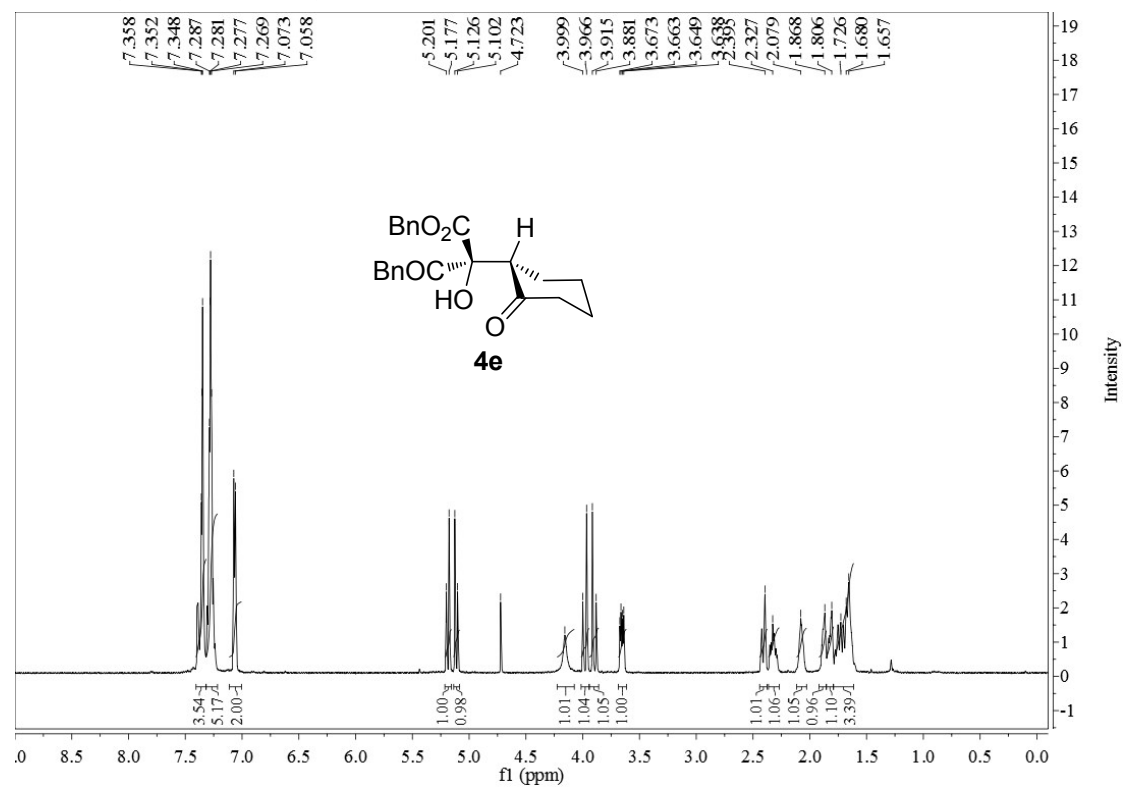


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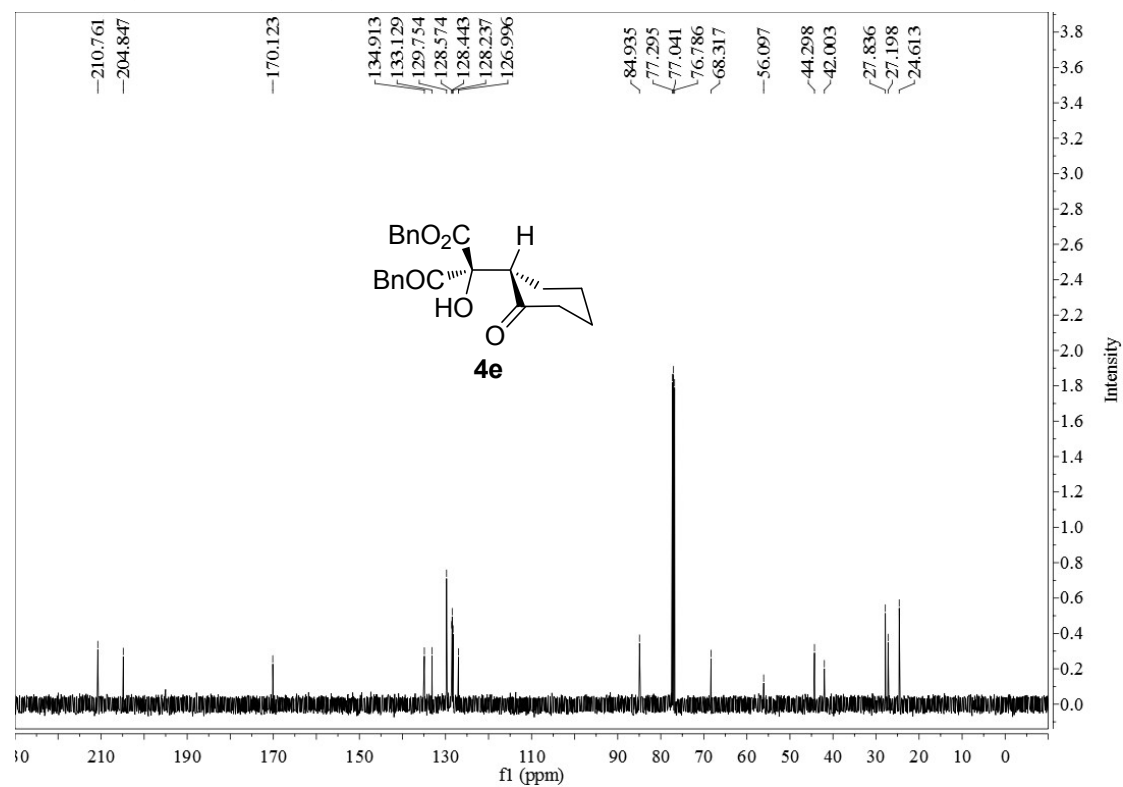


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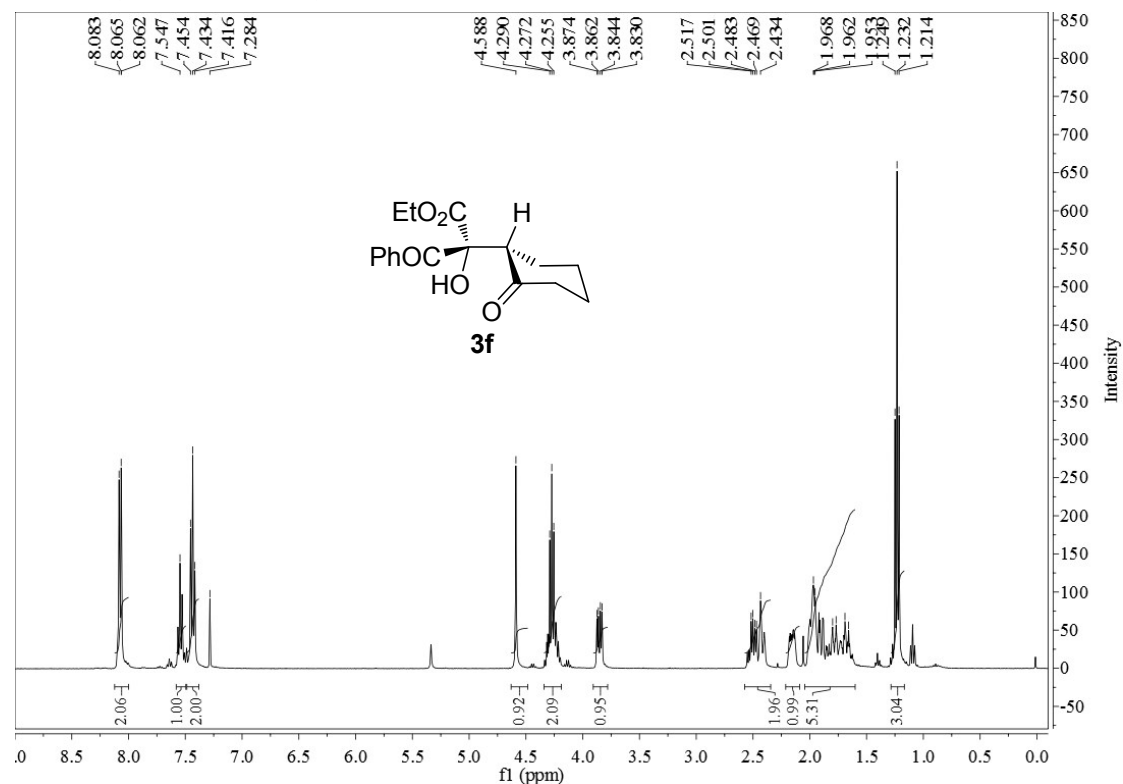


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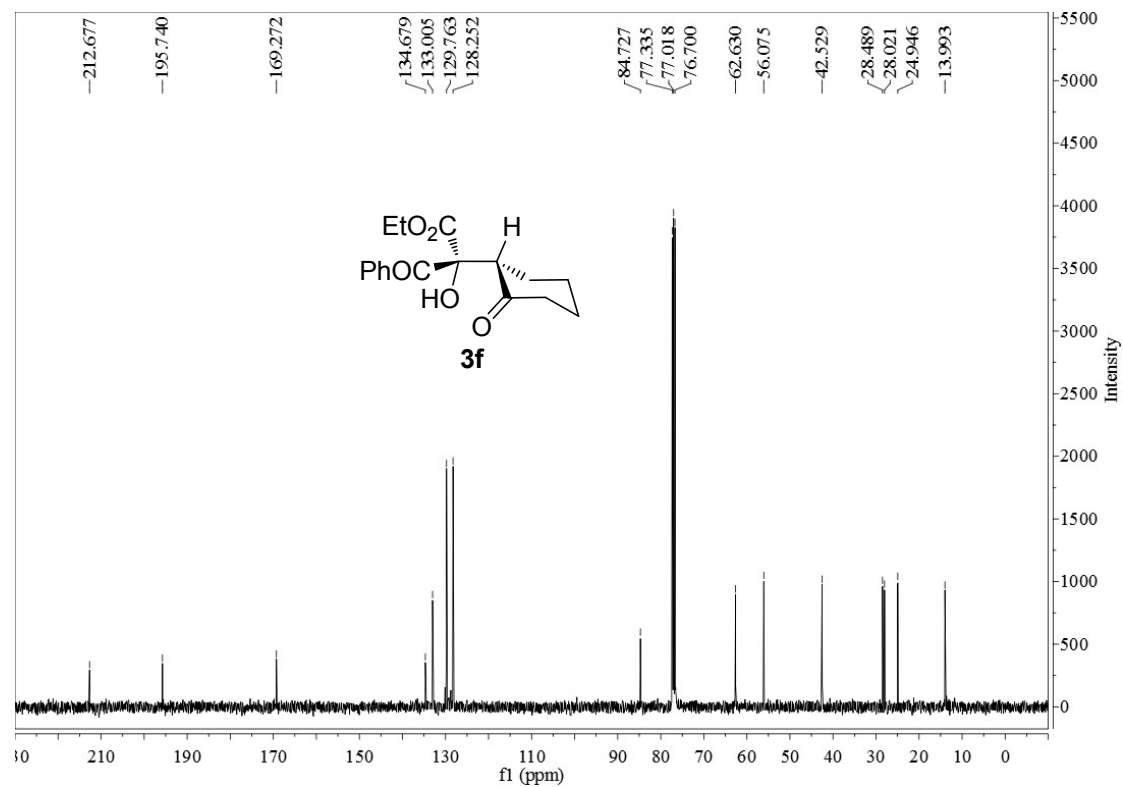


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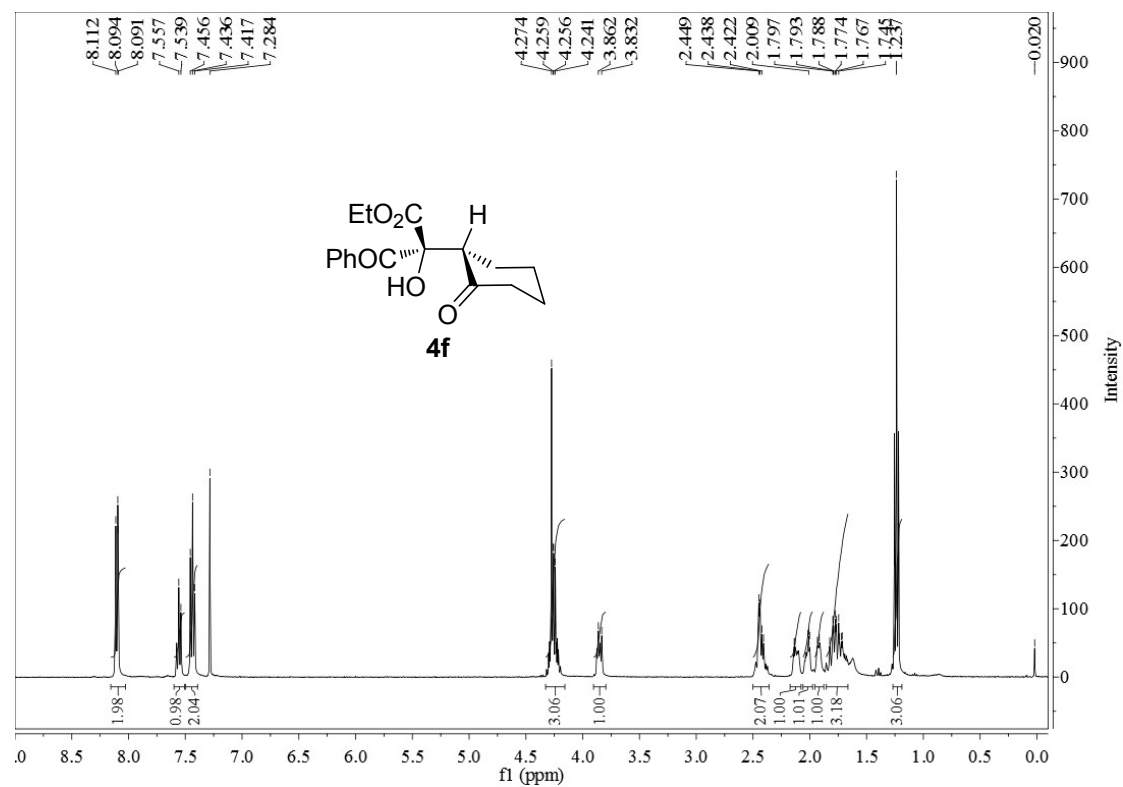


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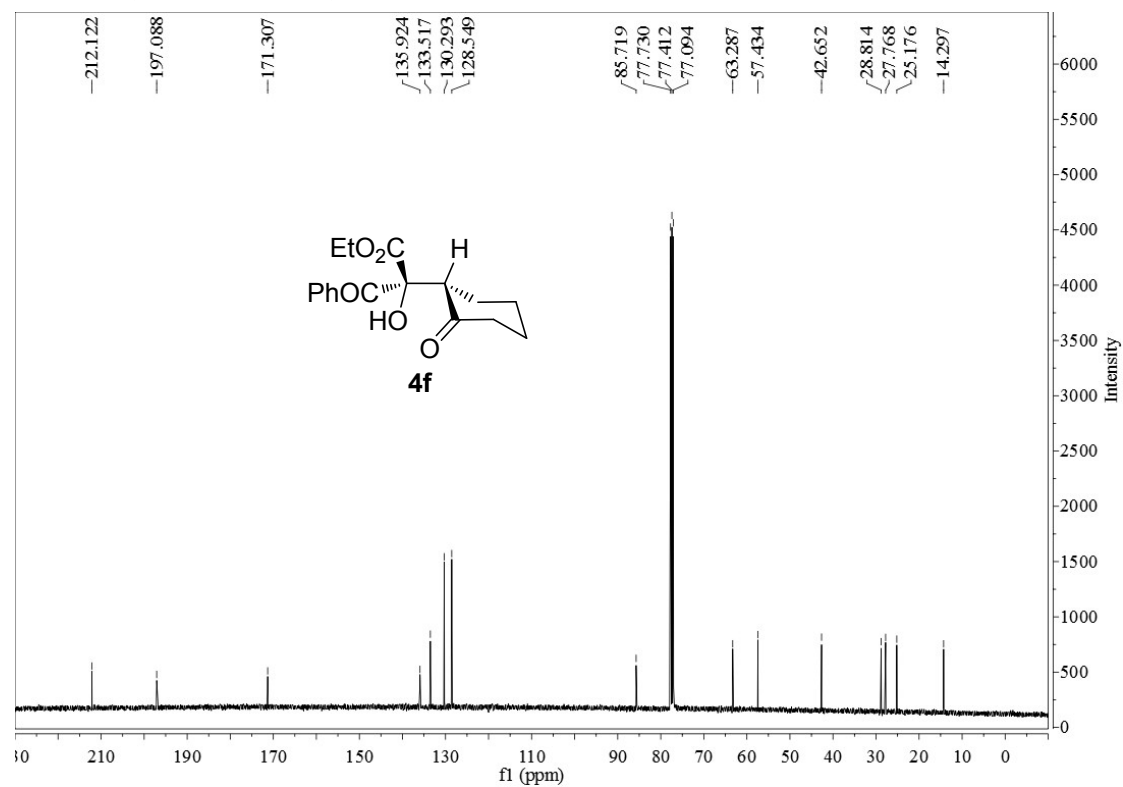


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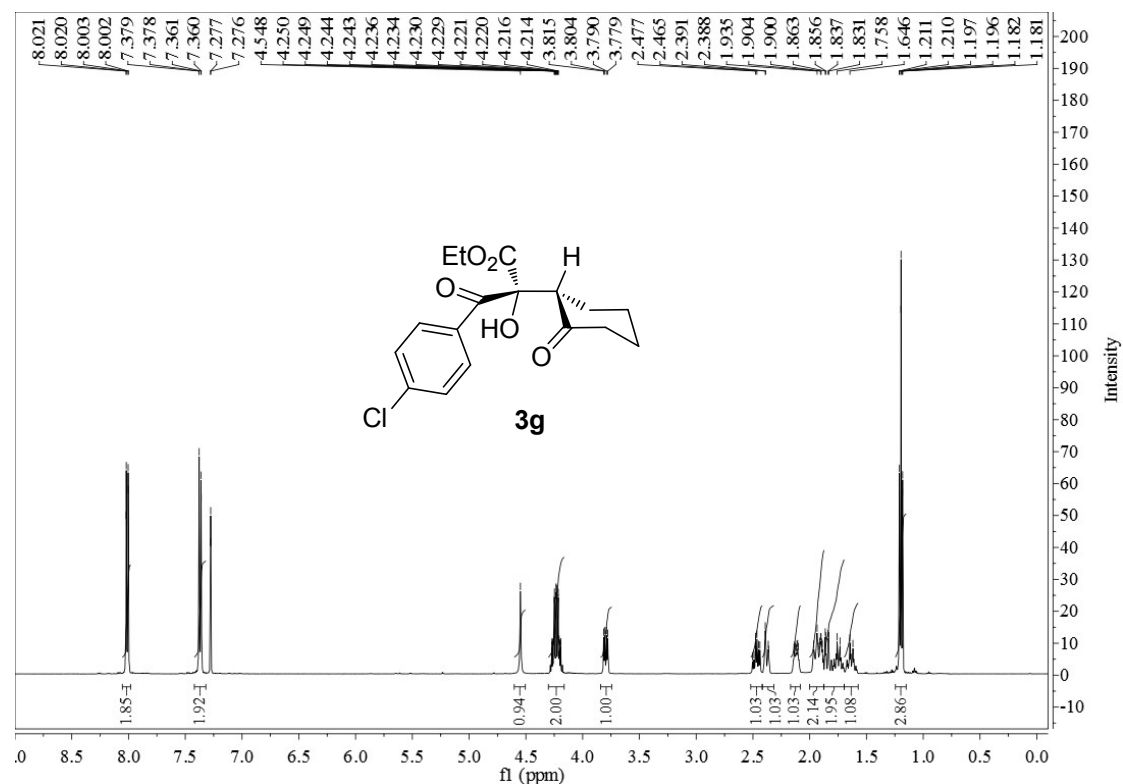


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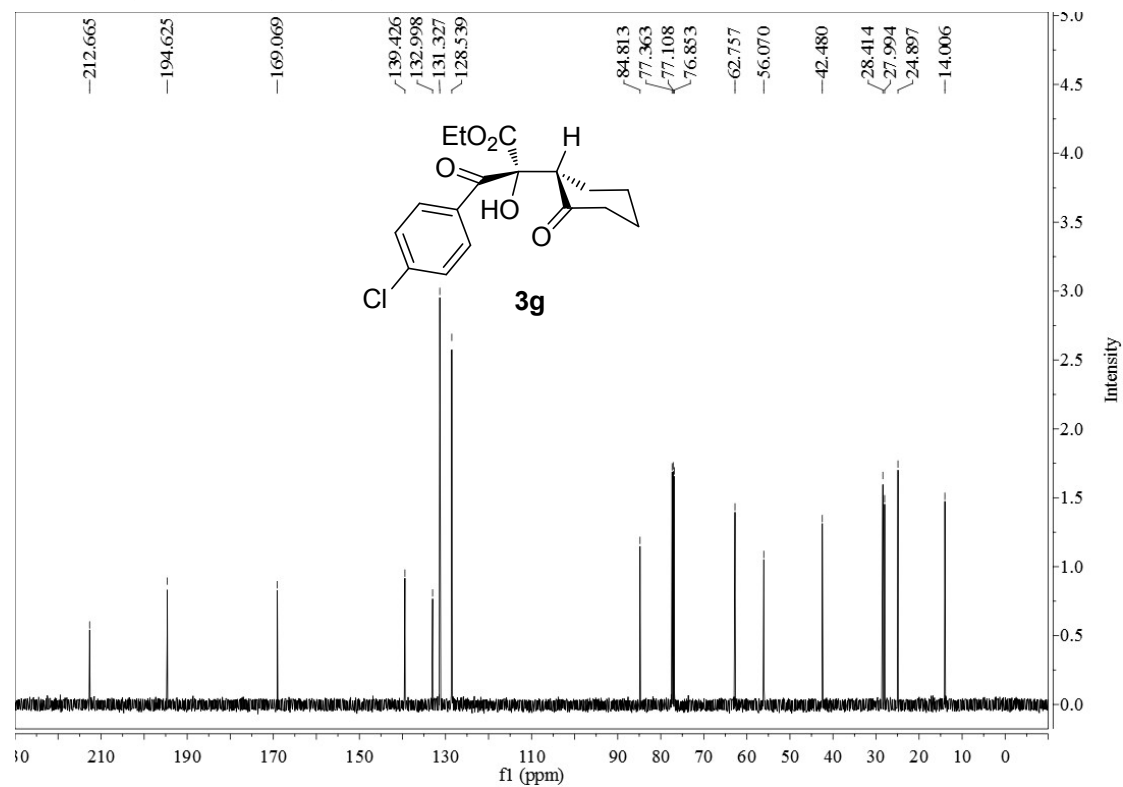


(R)-Ethyl 3-(4-Chlorophenyl)-2-hydroxy-3-oxo-2-[(S)-2-oxocyclohexyl]propanoate (3g).

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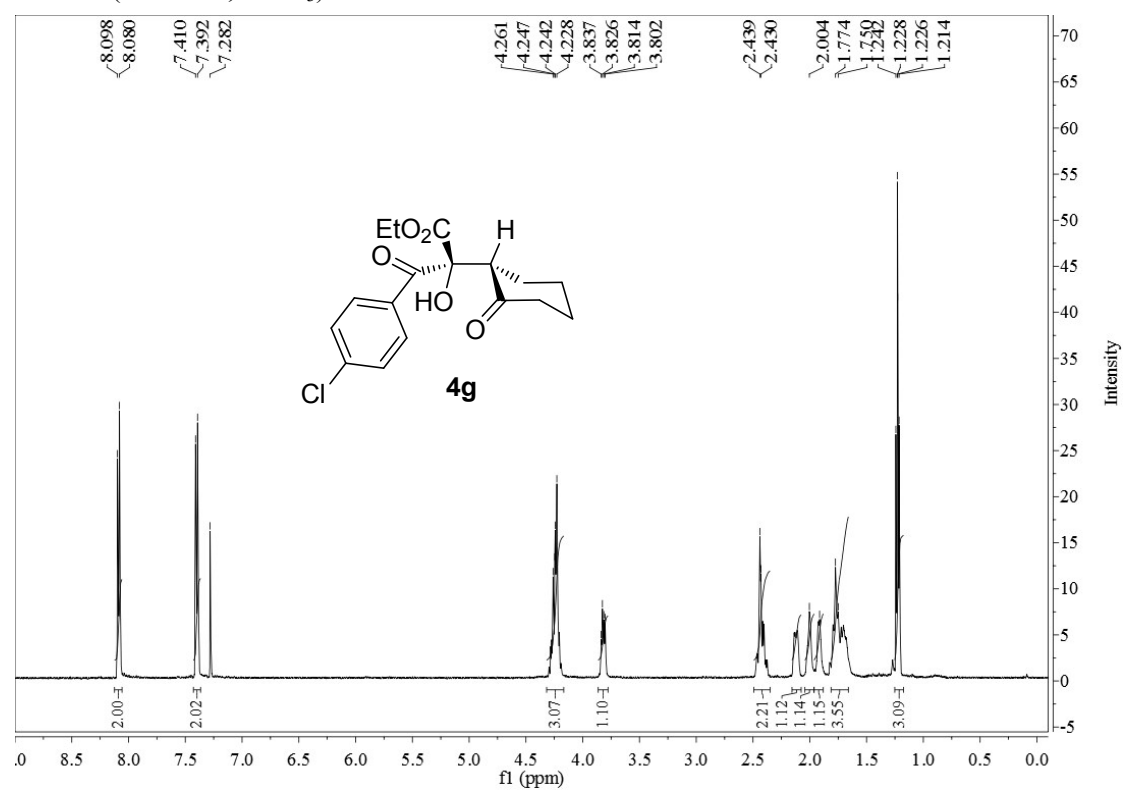


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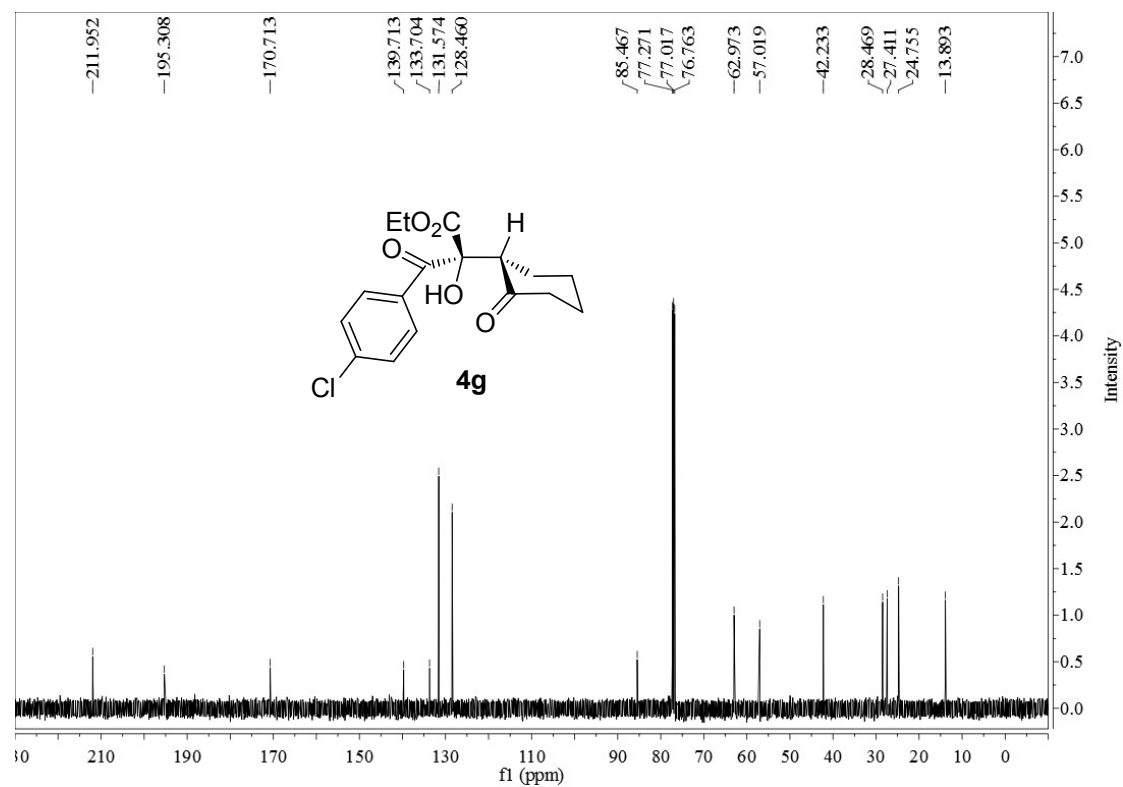


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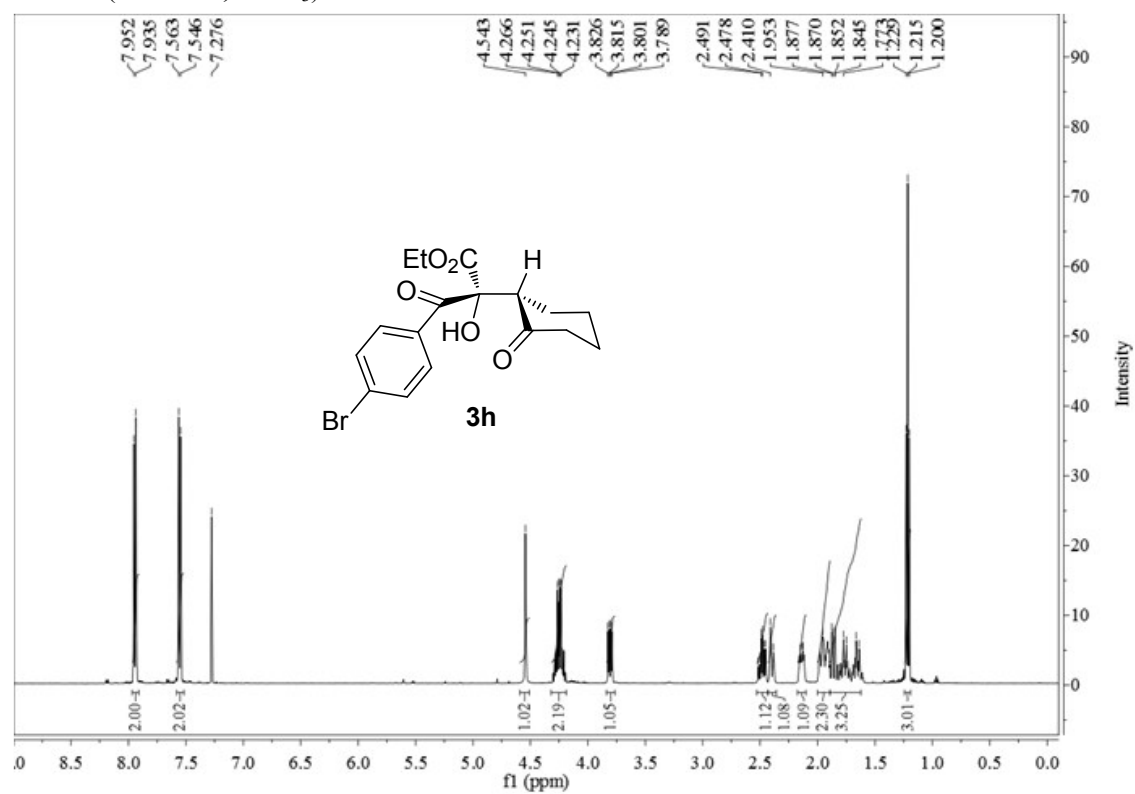


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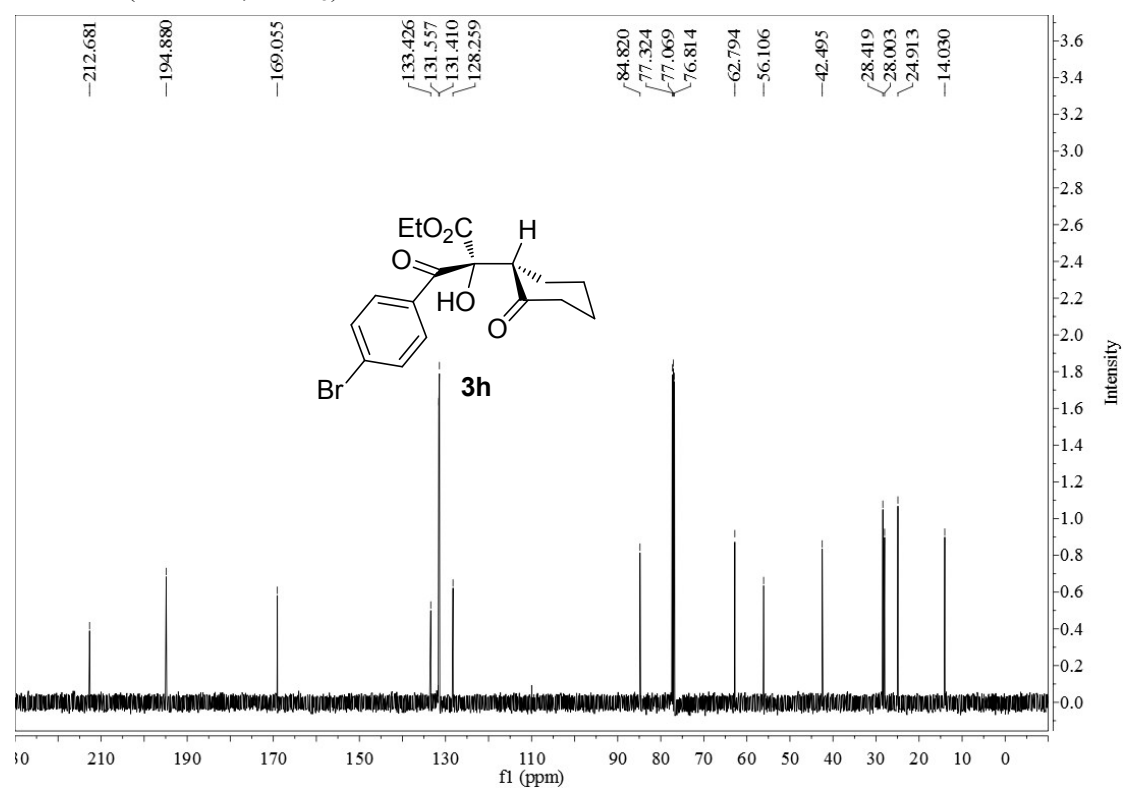


(R)-Ethyl 3-(4-Bromophenyl)-2-hydroxy-3-oxo-2-[(S)-2-oxocyclohexyl]propanoate (3h).

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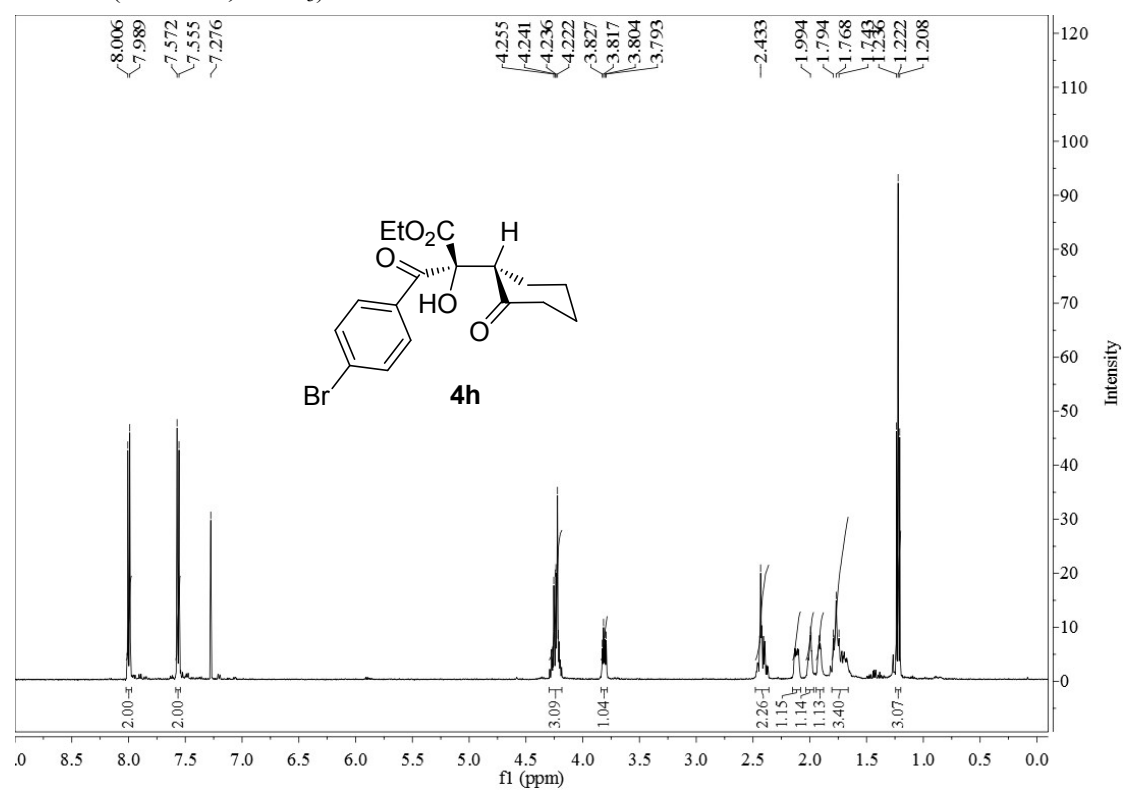


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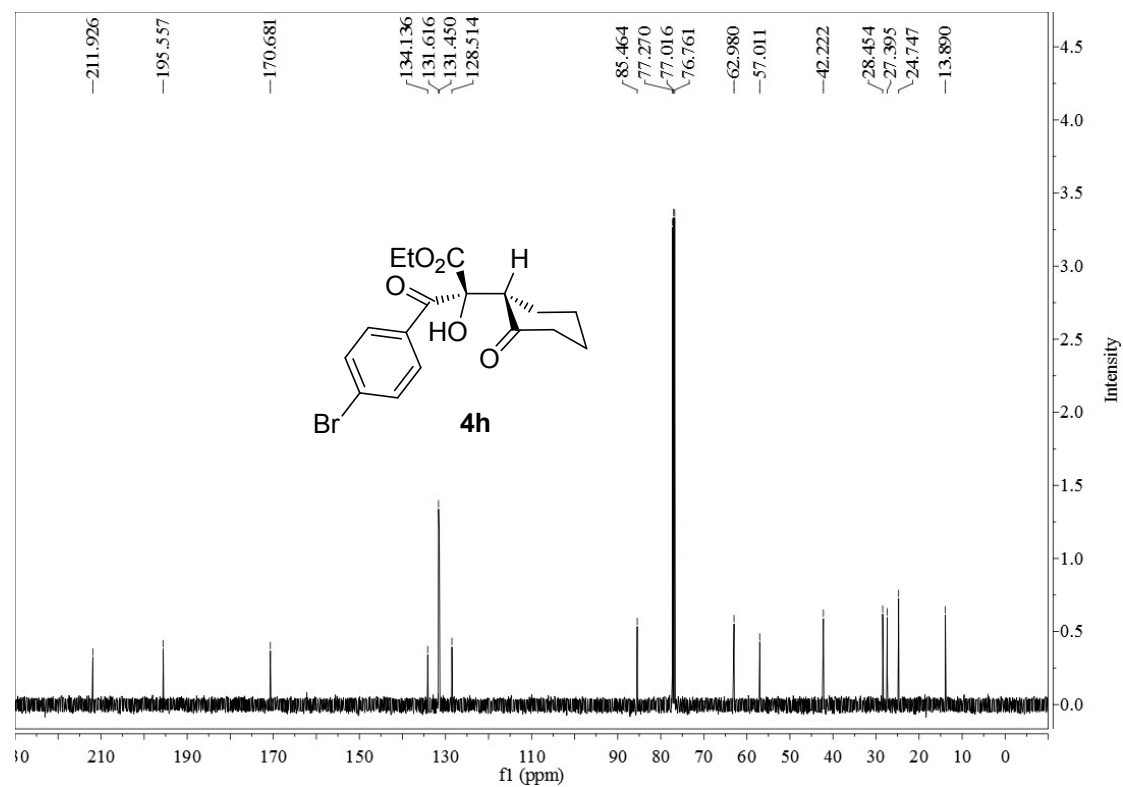


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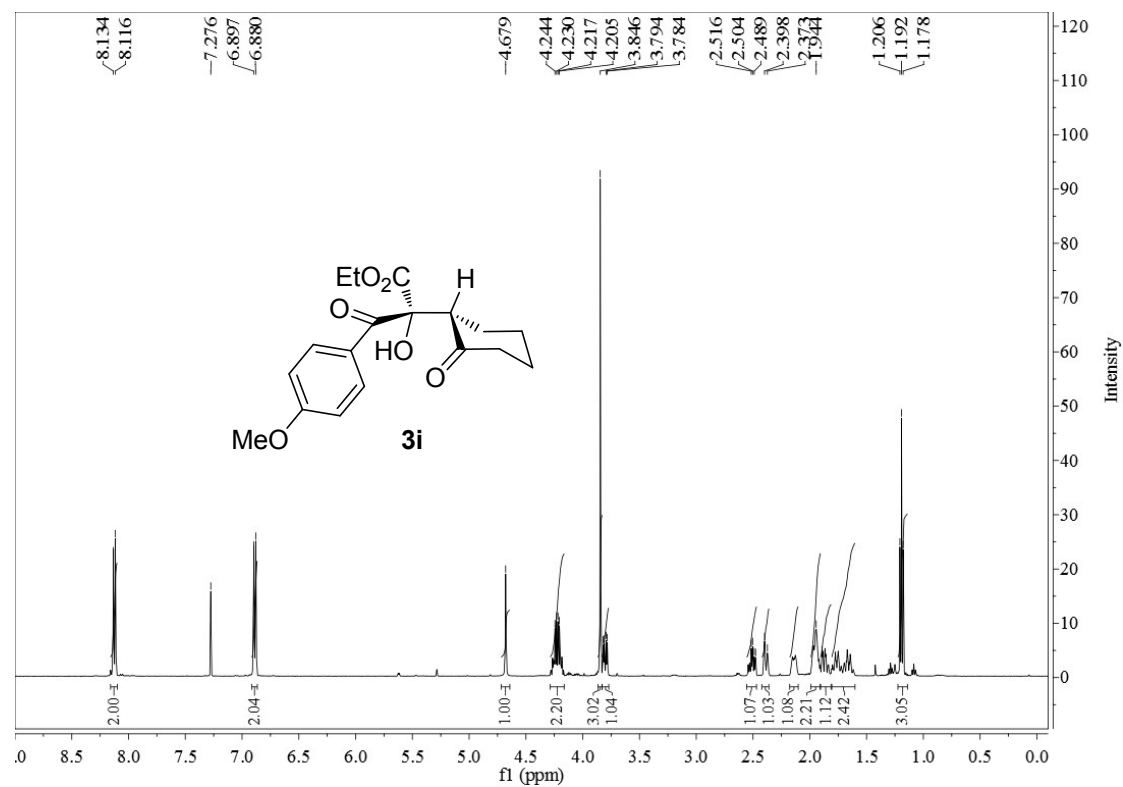


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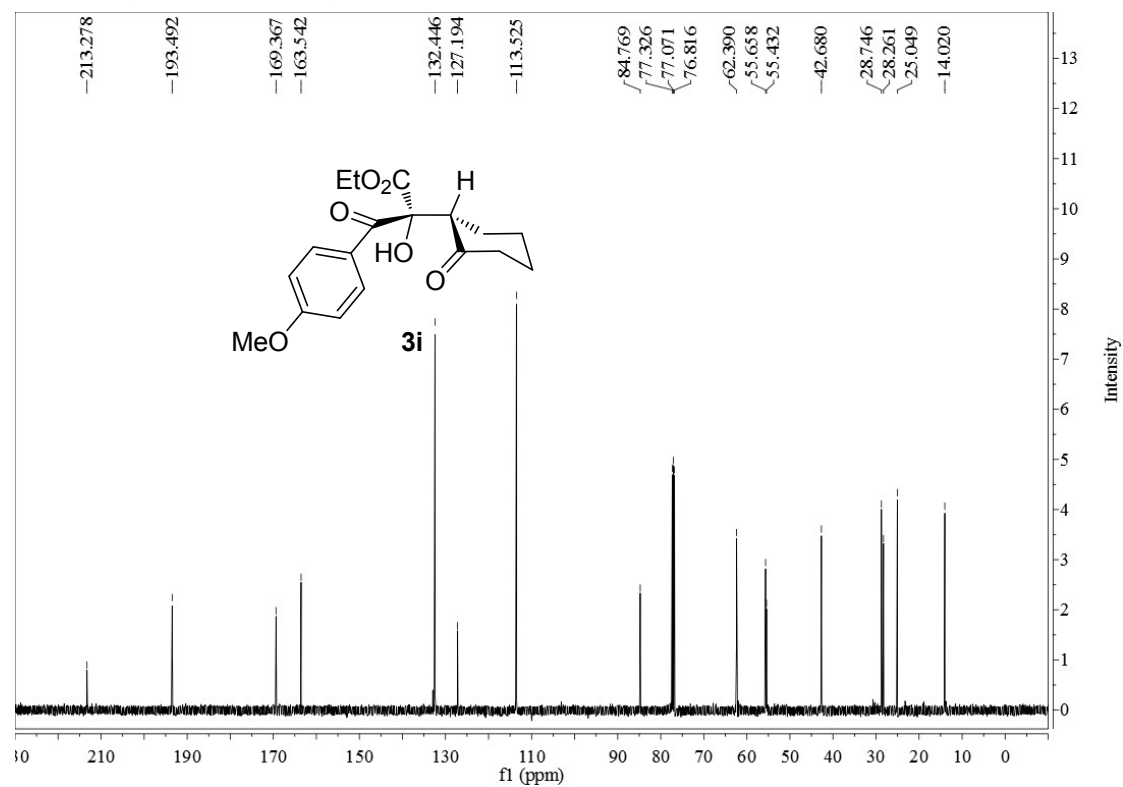


(*R*)-Ethyl 2-Hydroxy-3-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-oxo-2-[(*S*)-2-oxocyclohexyl]propanoate (3i**).**

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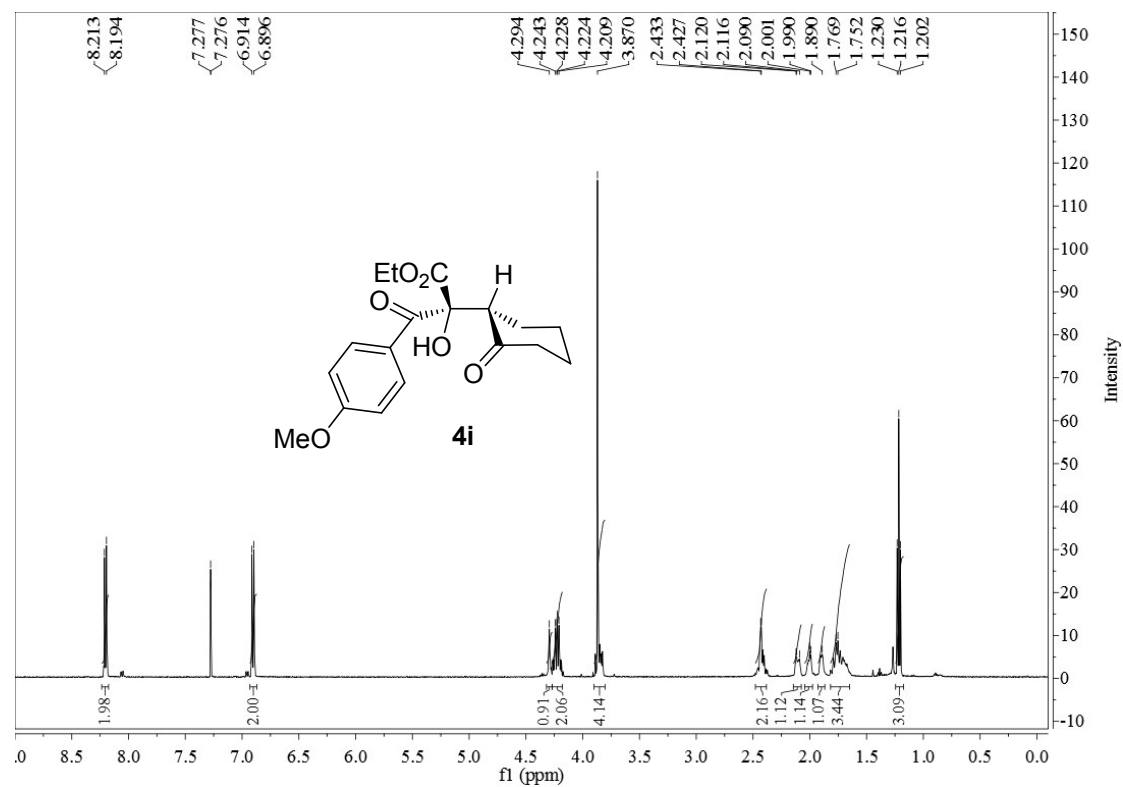


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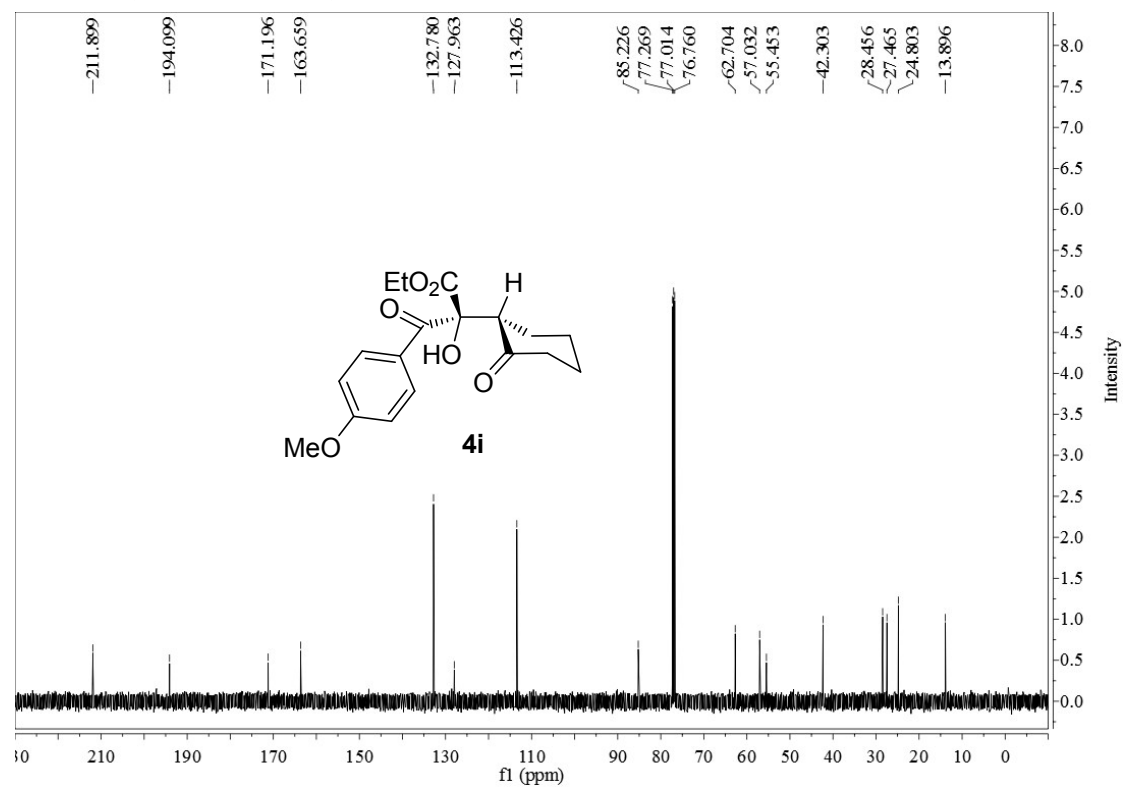


(S)-Ethyl 2-Hydroxy-3-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-oxo-2-[(S)-2-oxocyclohexyl]propanoate (4i).

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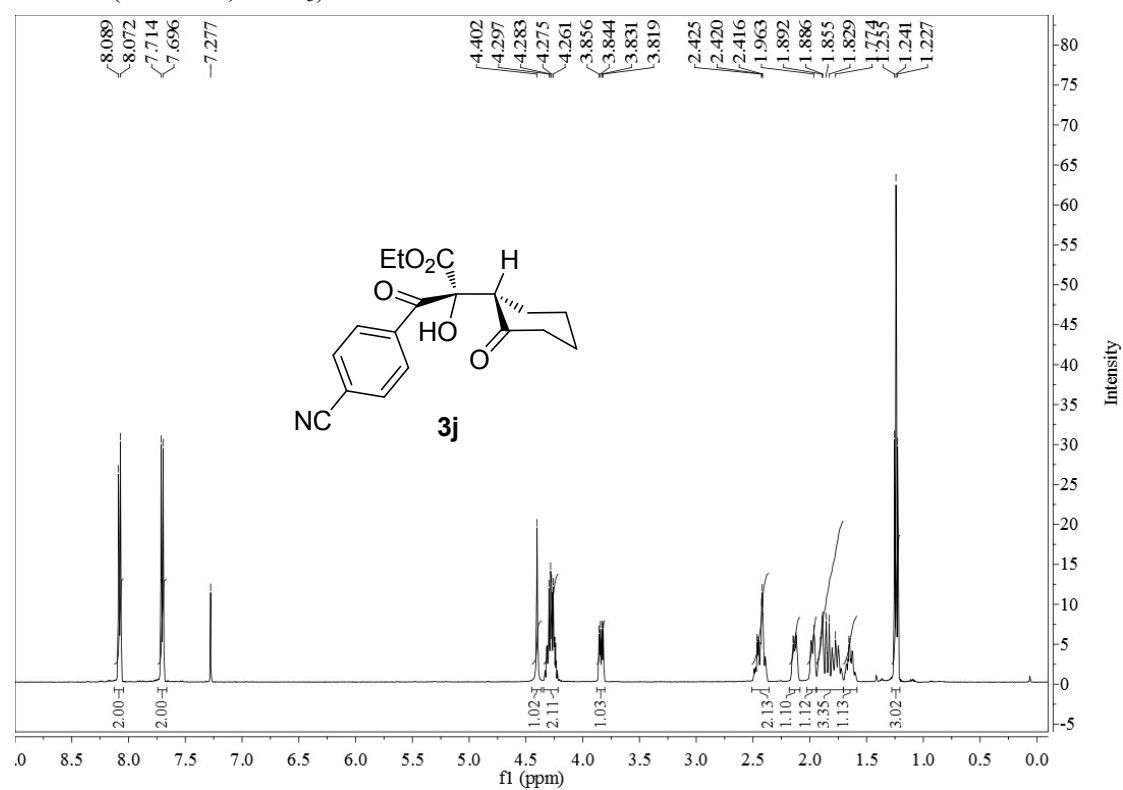


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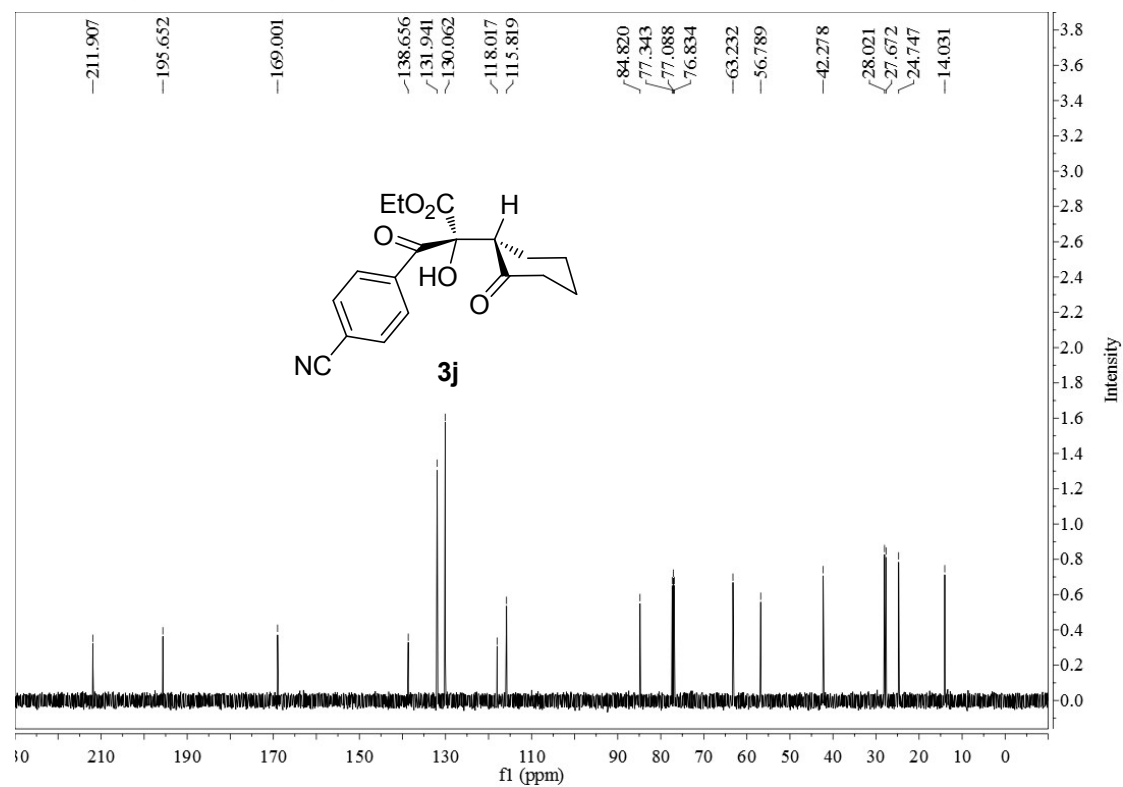


(R)-Ethyl 3-(4-Cyanophenyl)-2-hydroxy-3-oxo-2-[(S)-2-oxocyclohexyl]propanoate (3j).

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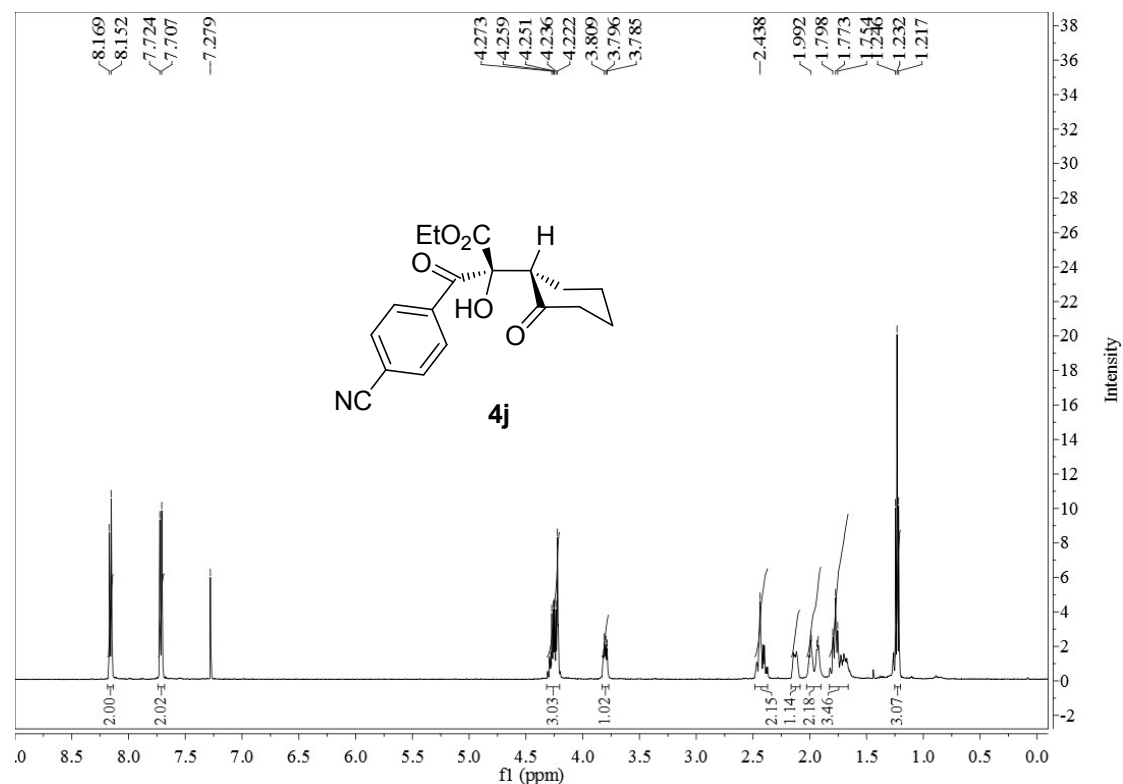


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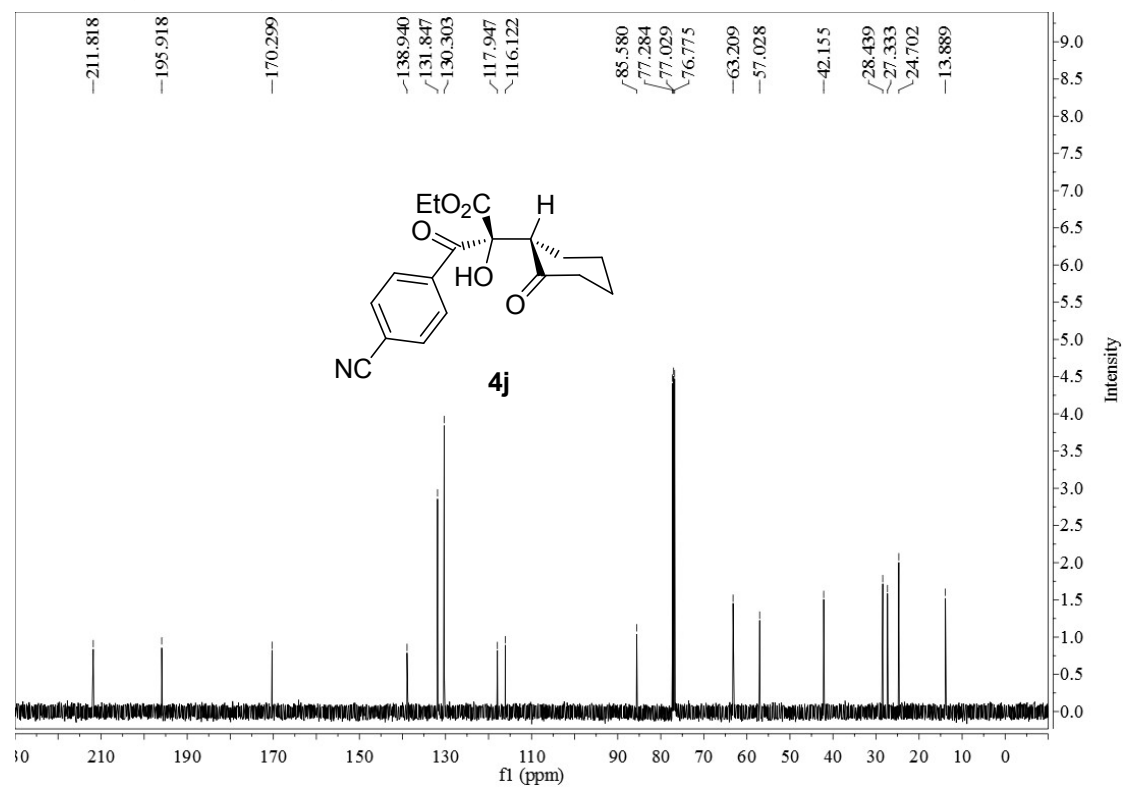


(S)-Ethyl 3-(4-Cyanophenyl)-2-hydroxy-3-oxo-2-[(S)-2-oxocyclohexyl]propanoate (4j).

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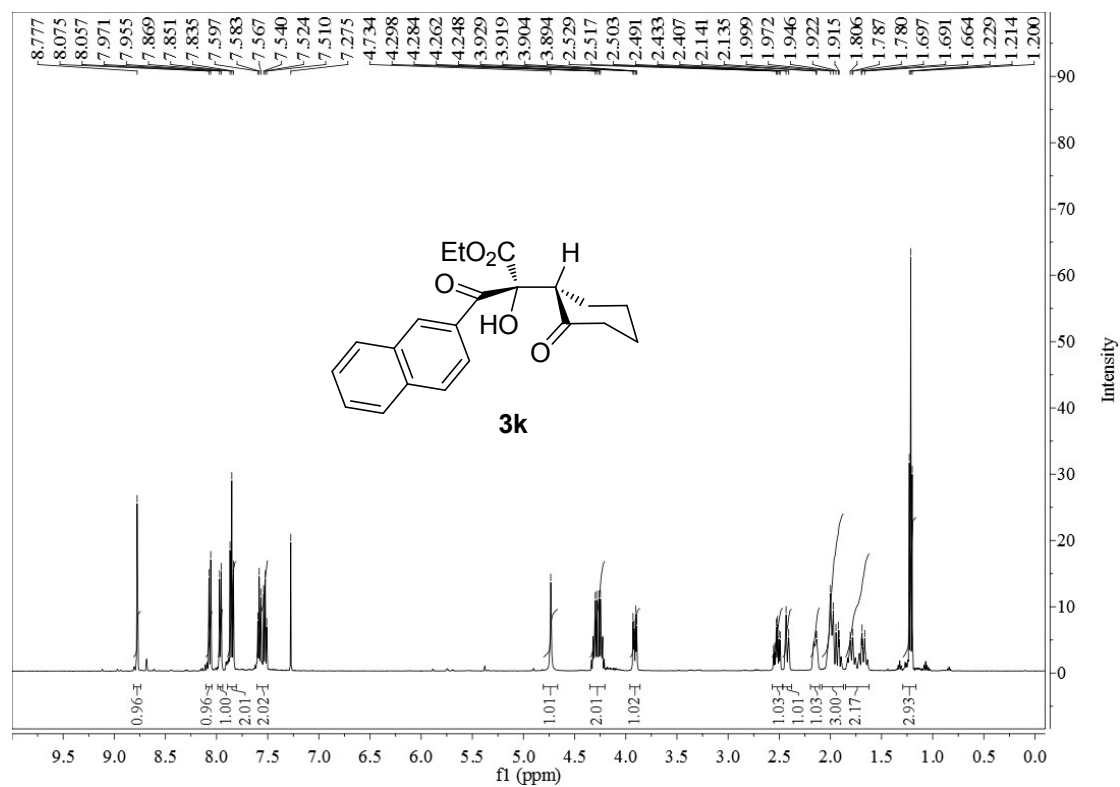


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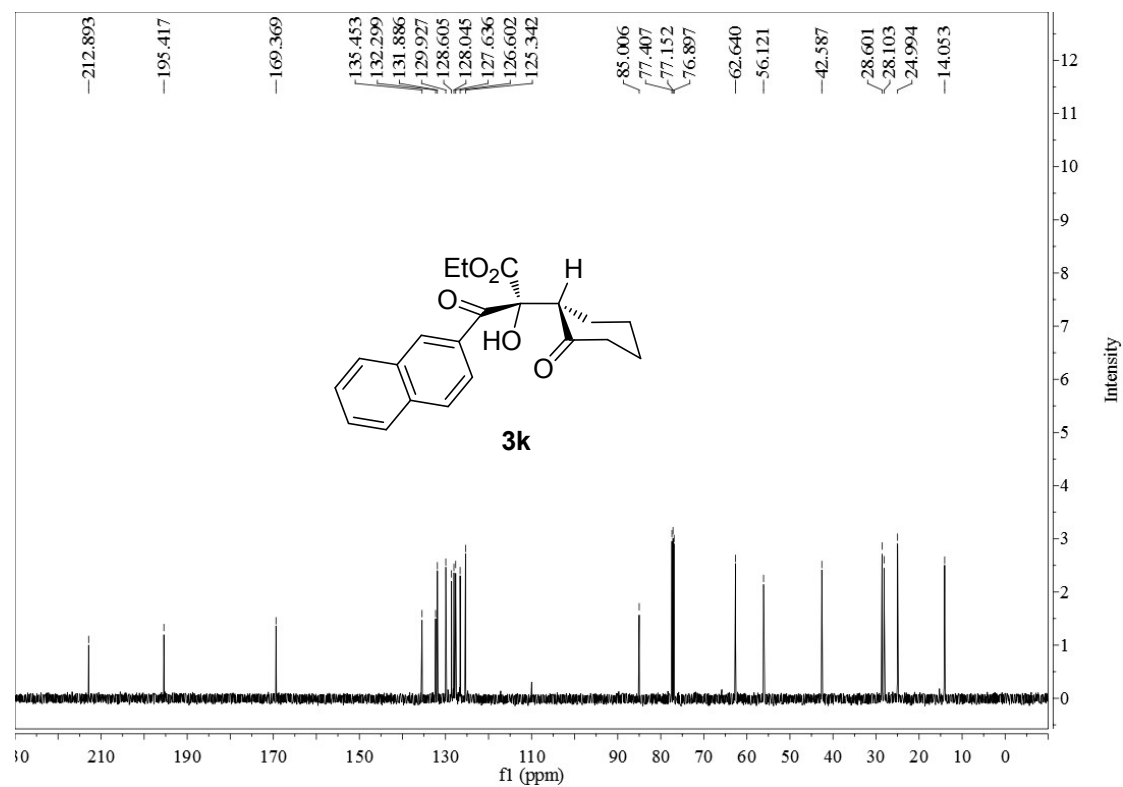


(R)-Ethyl 2-Hydroxy-3-(naphthalen-2-yl)-3-oxo-2-[(S)-2-oxocyclohexyl]propanoate (3k).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃)

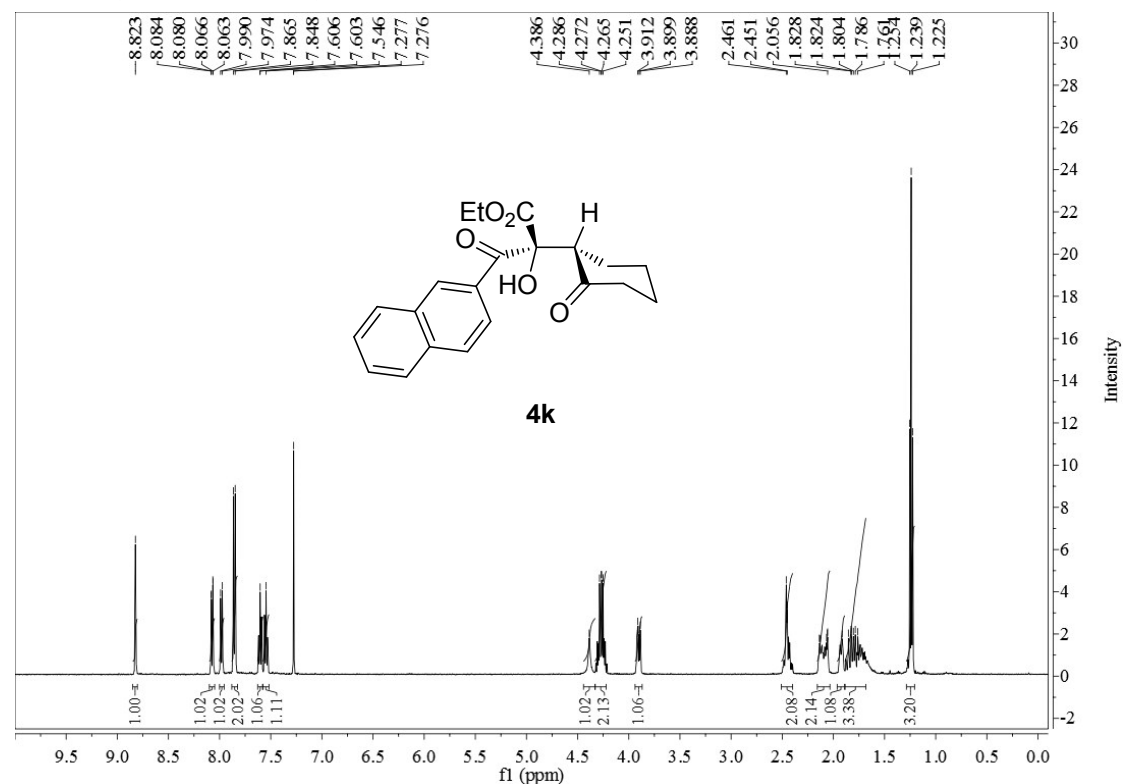


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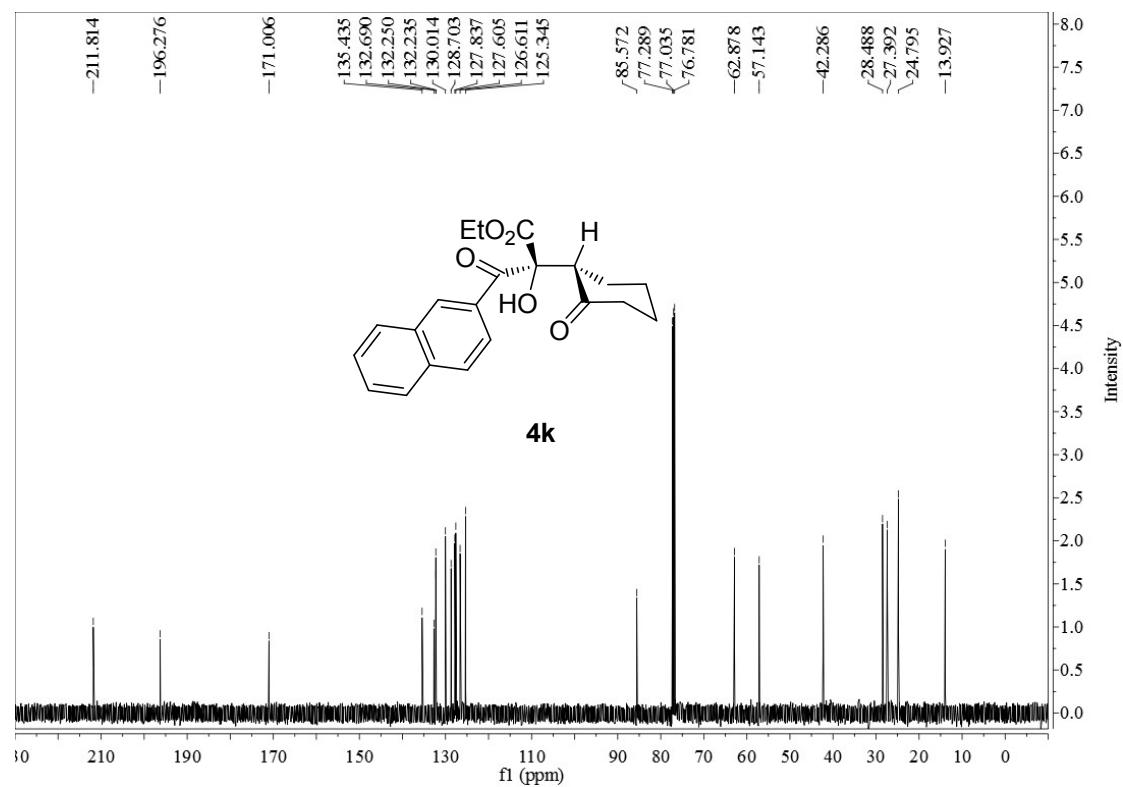


(S)-Ethyl 2-Hydroxy-3-(naphthalen-2-yl)-3-oxo-2-[(S)-2-oxocyclohexyl]propanoate (4k).

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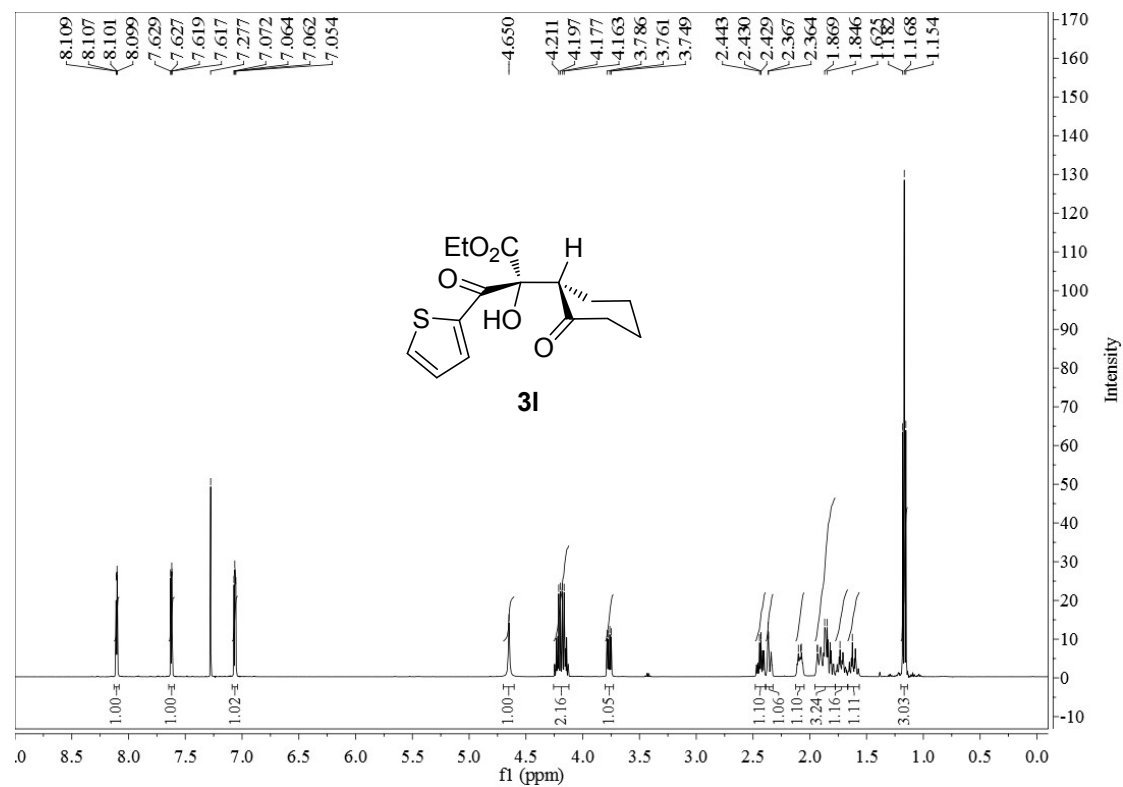


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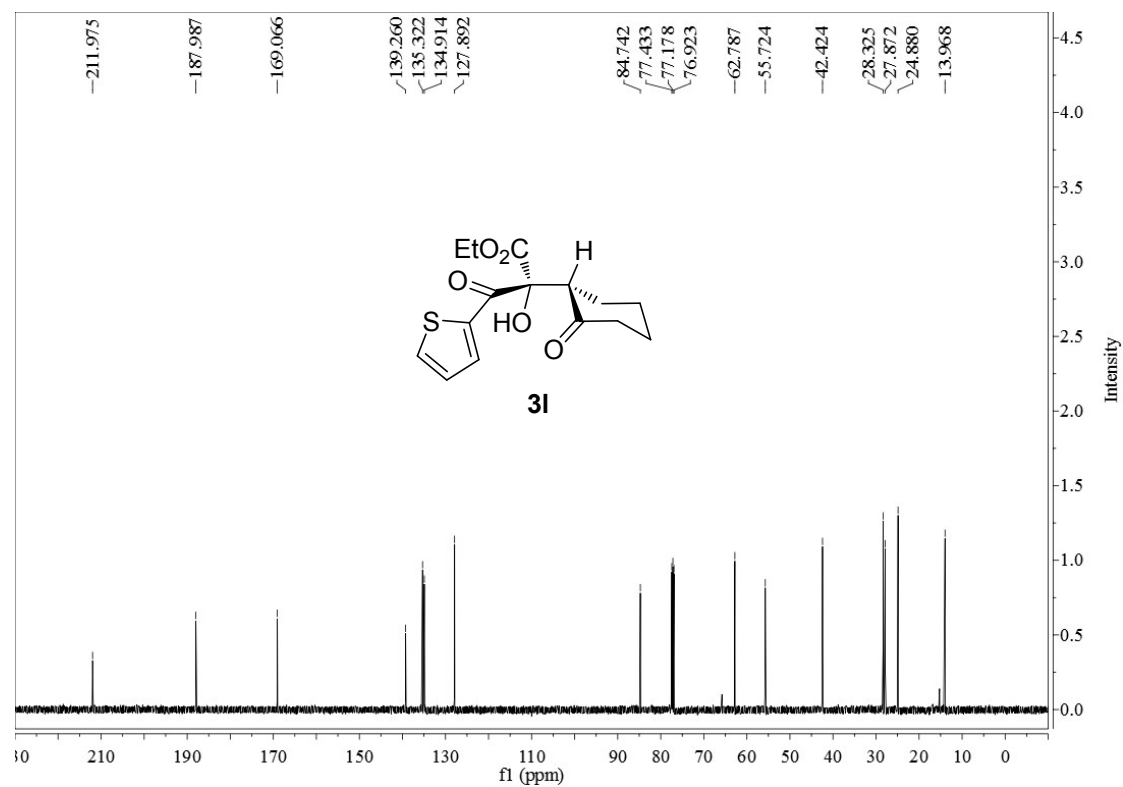


(*R*)-Ethyl 2-Hydroxy-3-oxo-2-[(*S*)-2-oxocyclohexyl]-3-(thiophen-2-yl)propanoate (3I).

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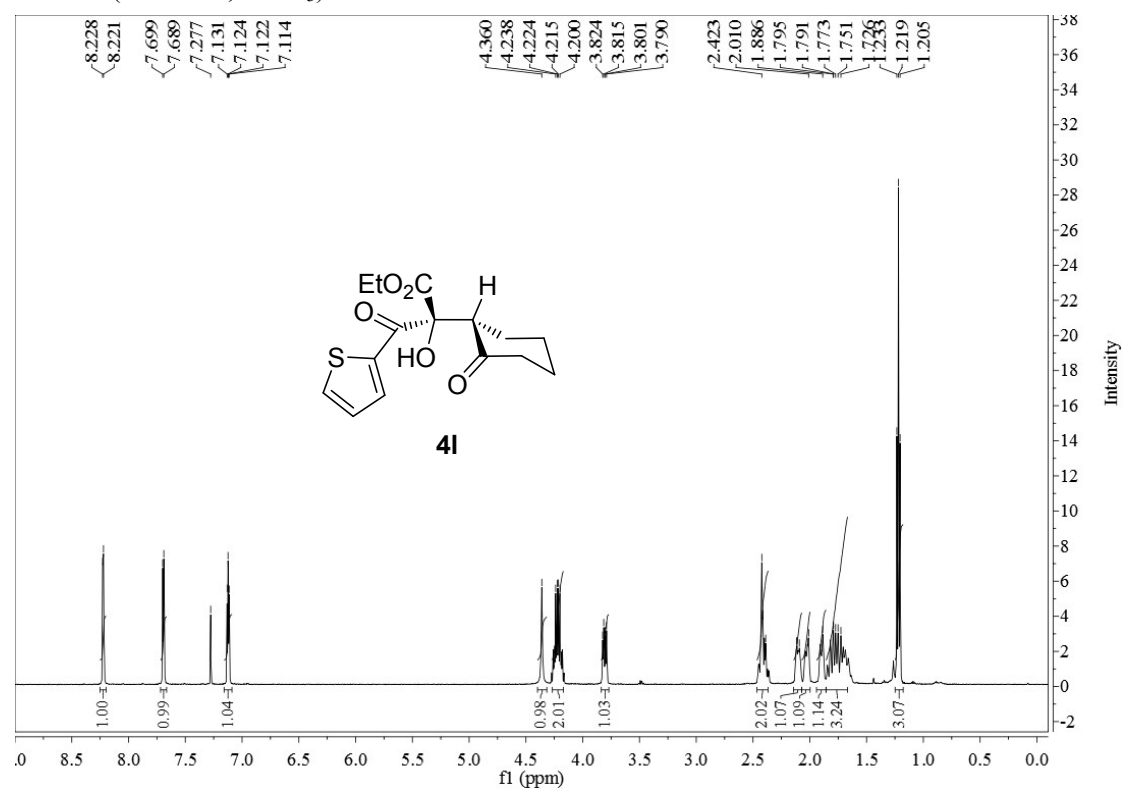


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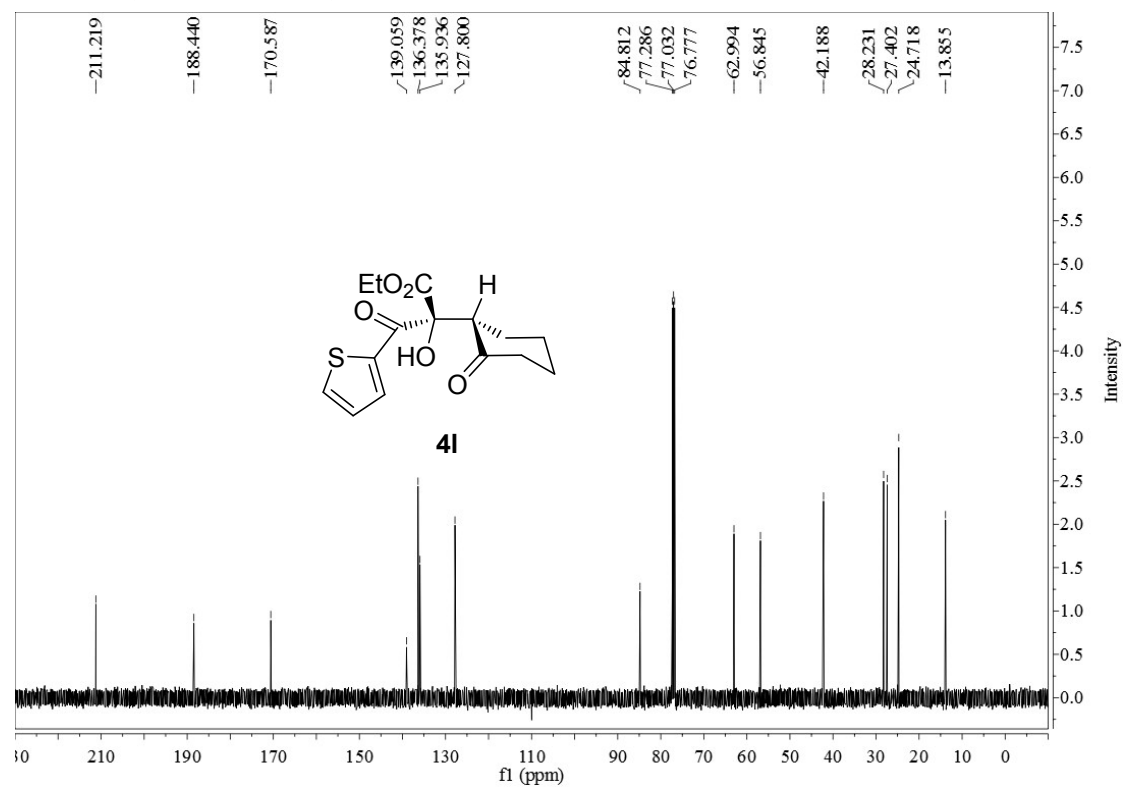


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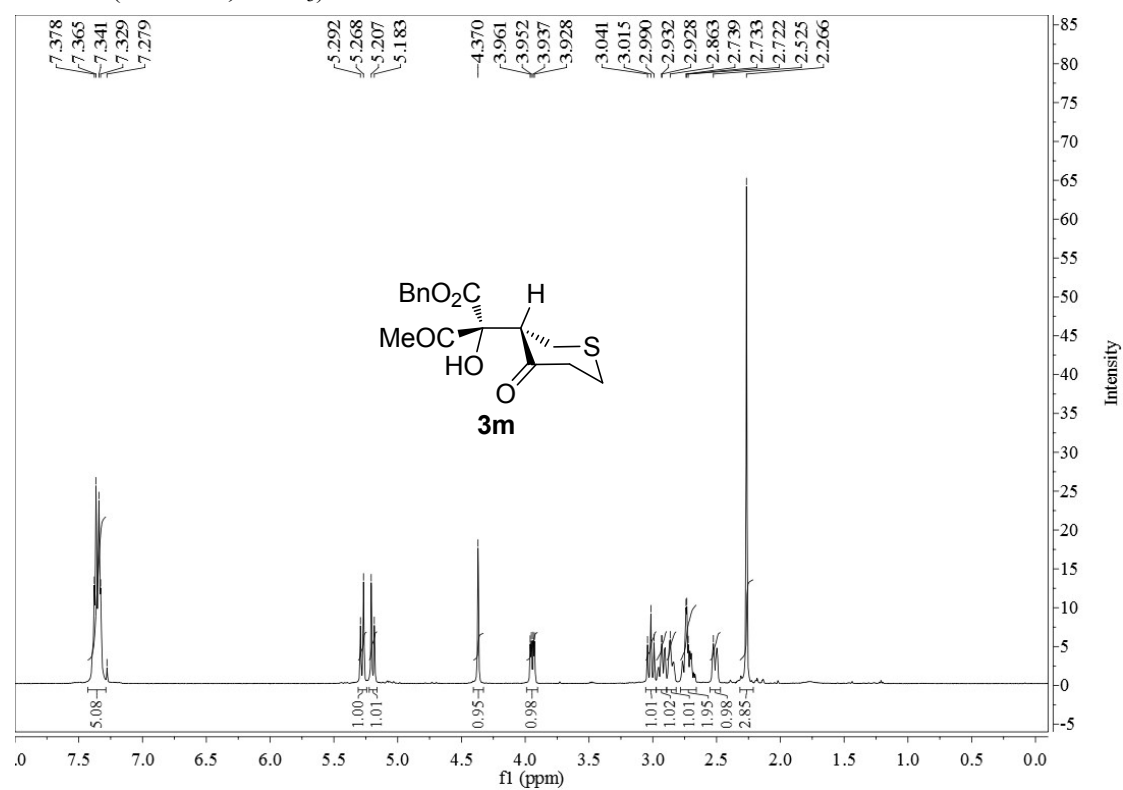


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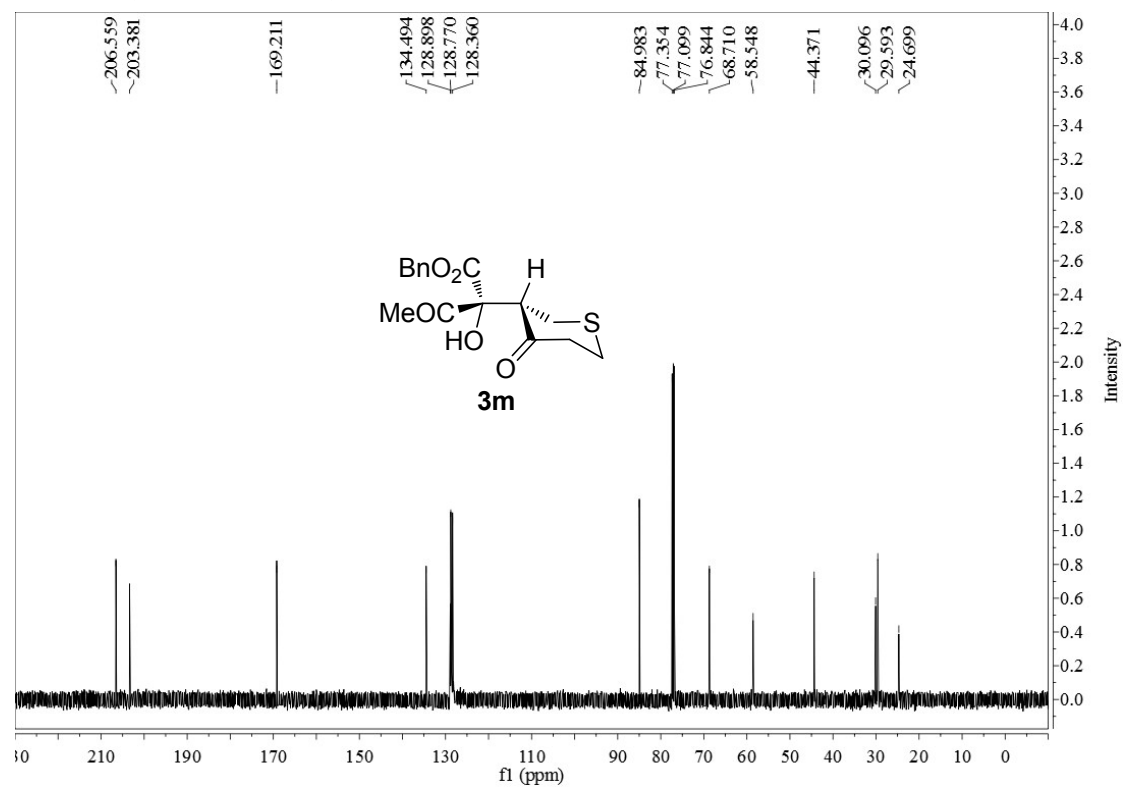


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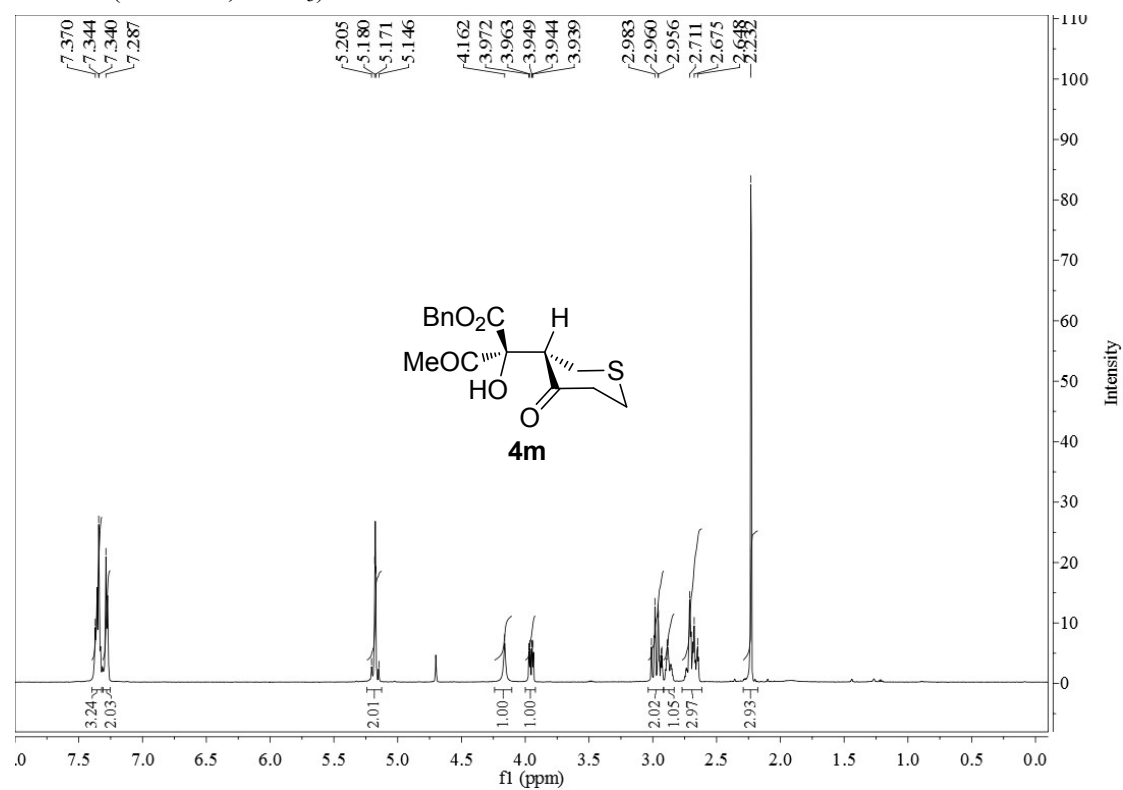


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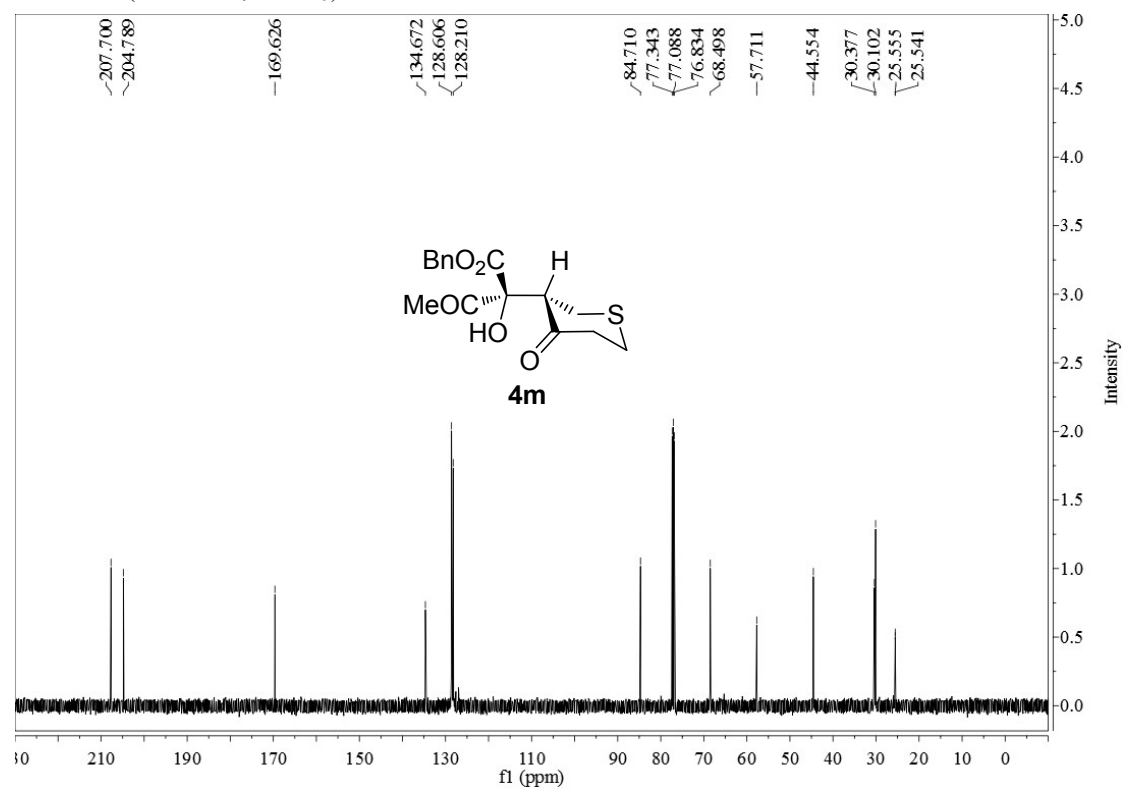


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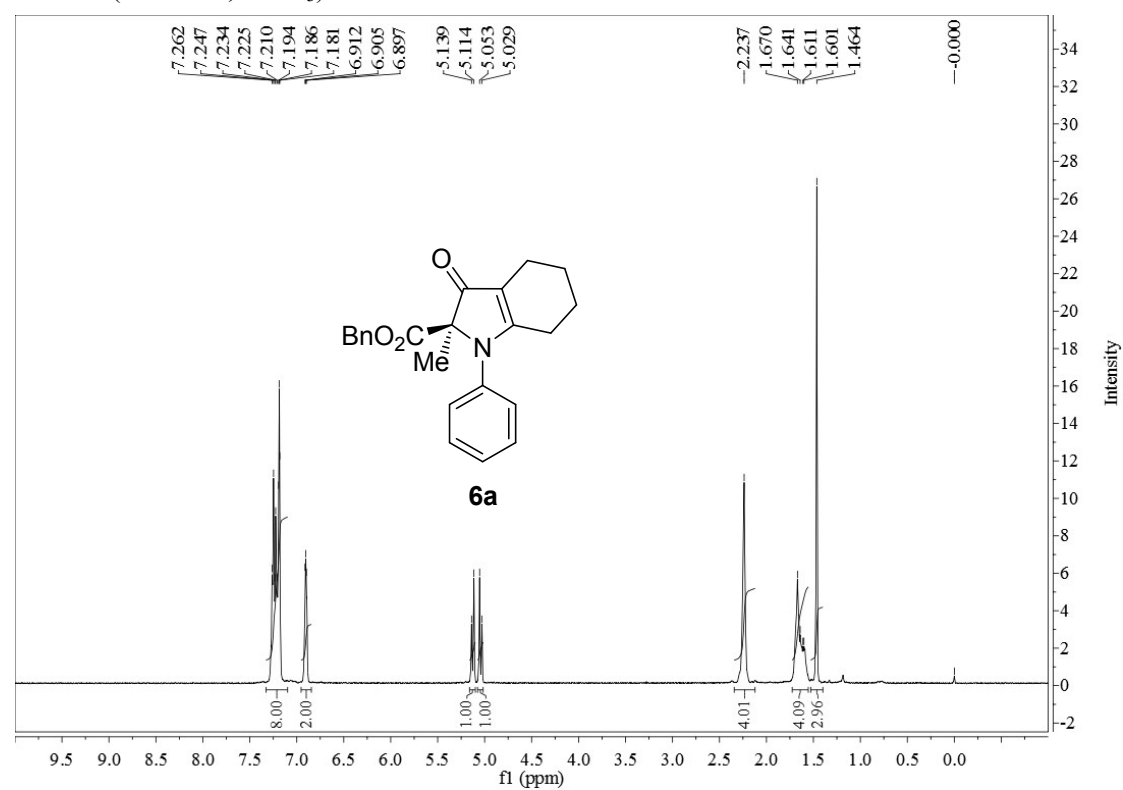


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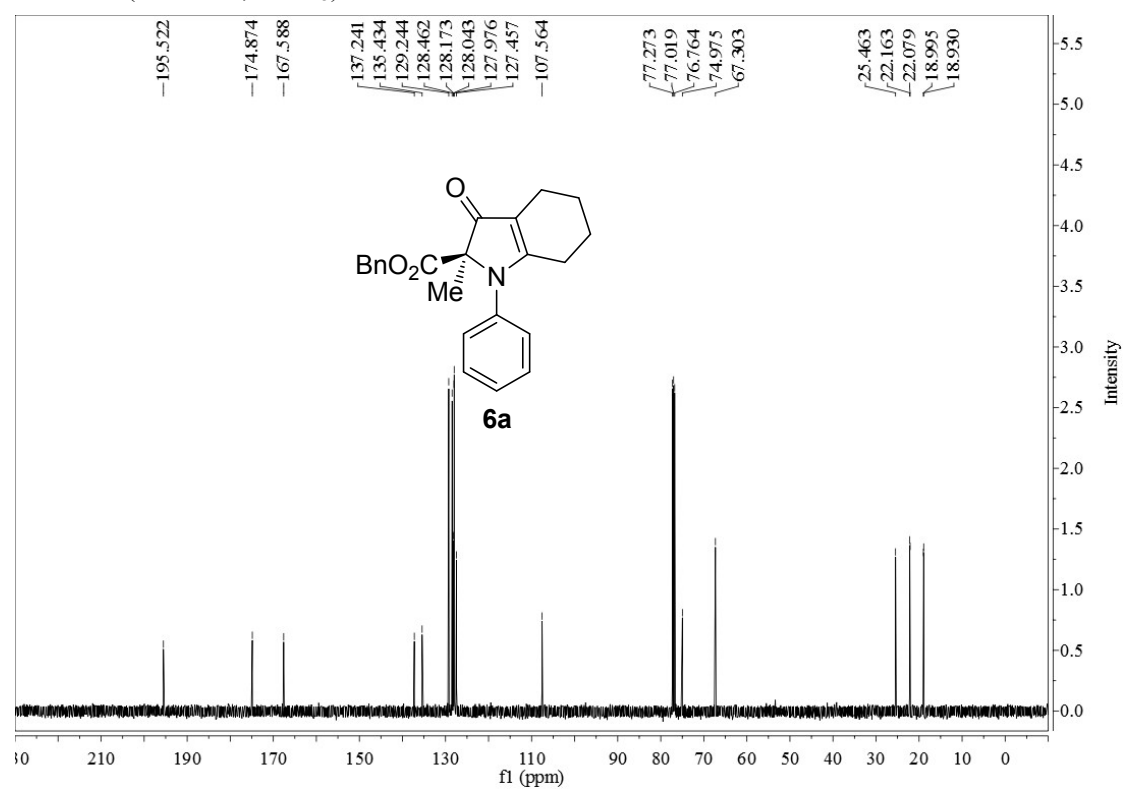


(R)-Benzyl 2-Methyl-3-oxo-1-phenyl-2,3,4,5,6,7-hexahydro-1H-indole-2-carboxylate (6a).

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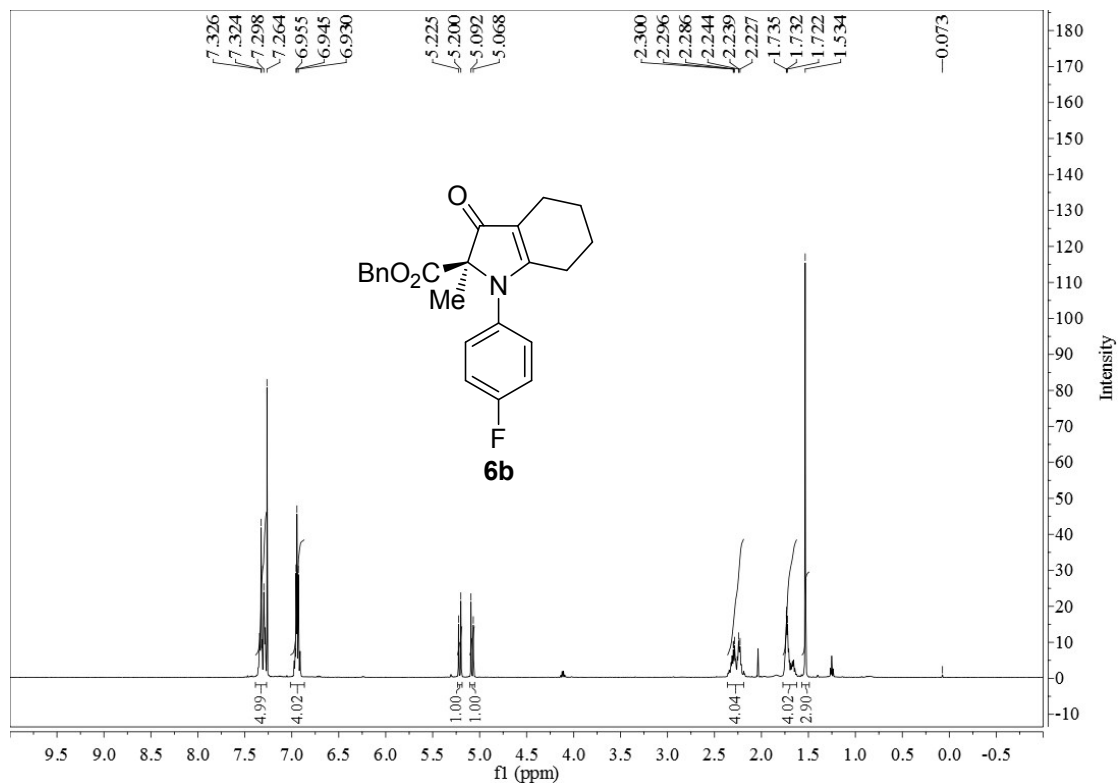


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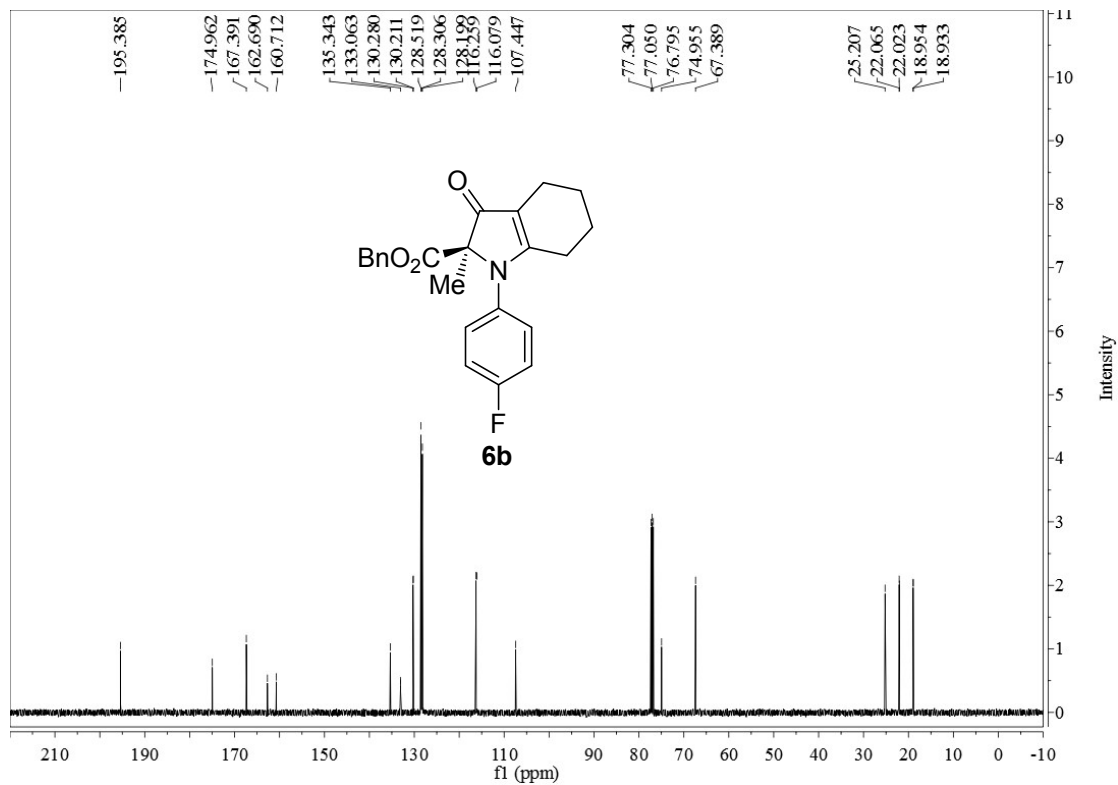


(R)-Benzyl 1-(4-Fluorophenyl)-2-methyl-3-oxo-2,3,4,5,6,7-hexahydro-1H-indole-2-carboxylate (6b).

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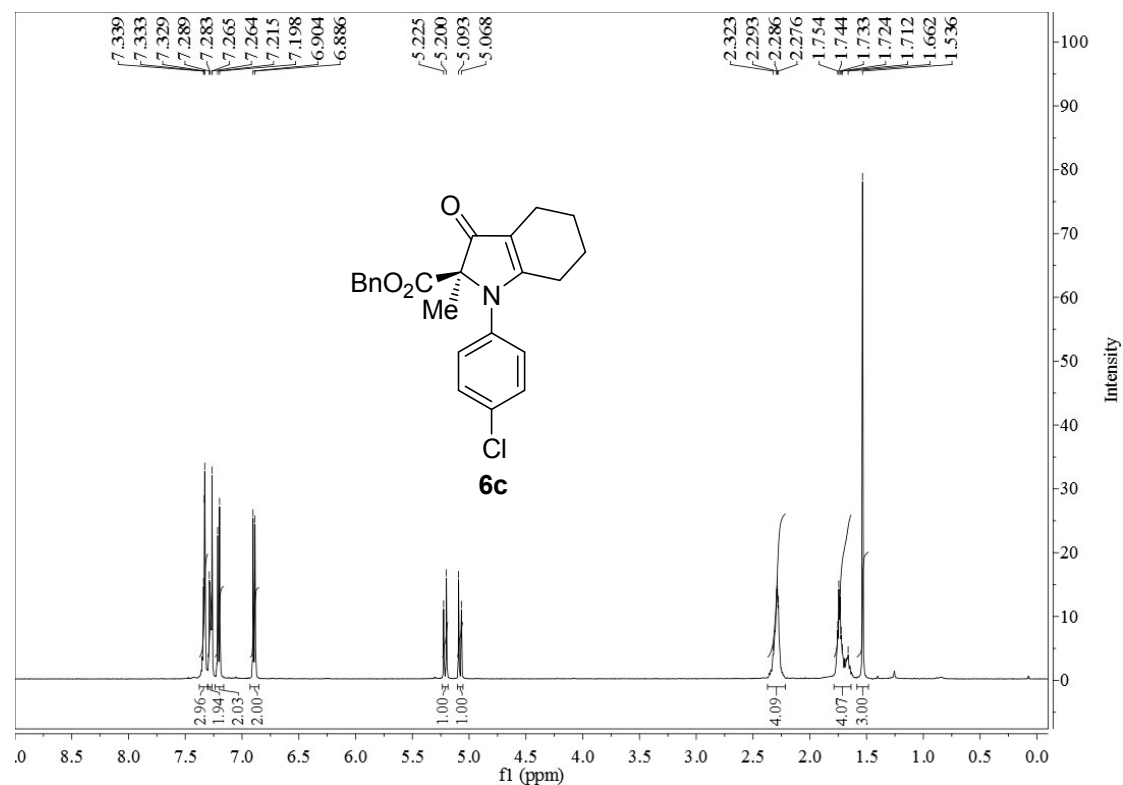


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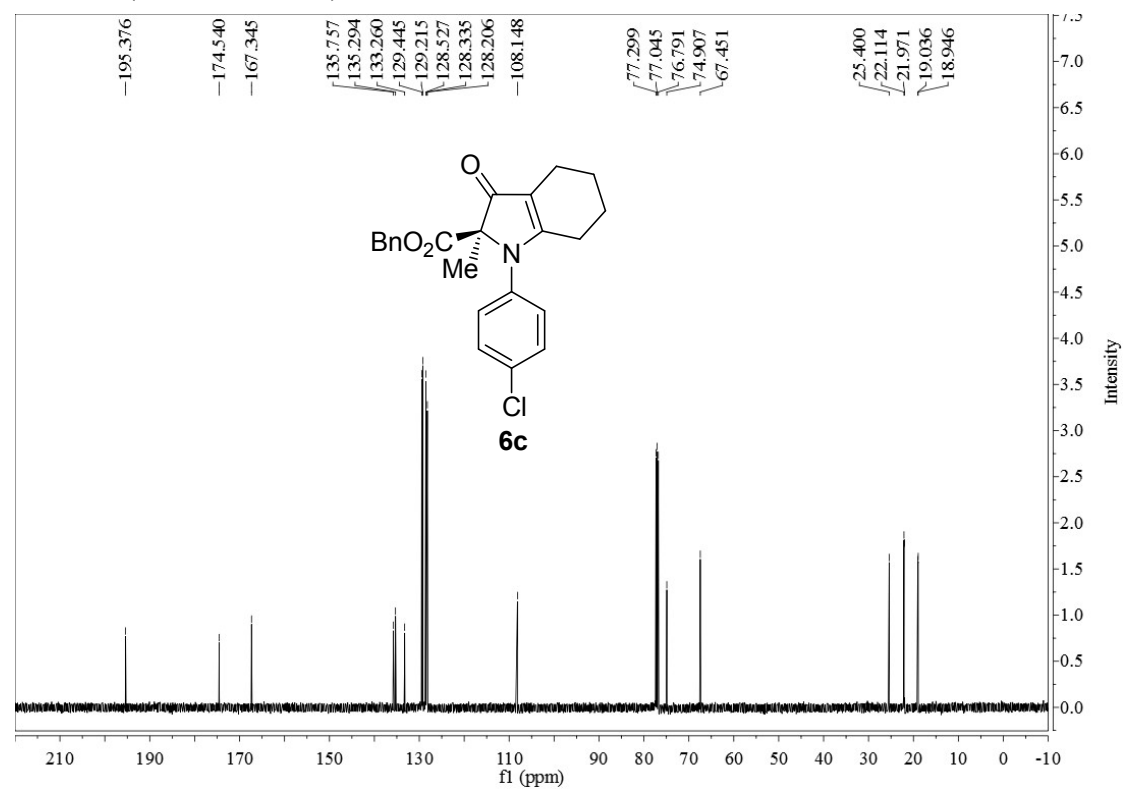


(R)-Benzyl 1-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-methyl-3-oxo-2,3,4,5,6,7-hexahydro-1H-indole-2-carboxylate (6c).

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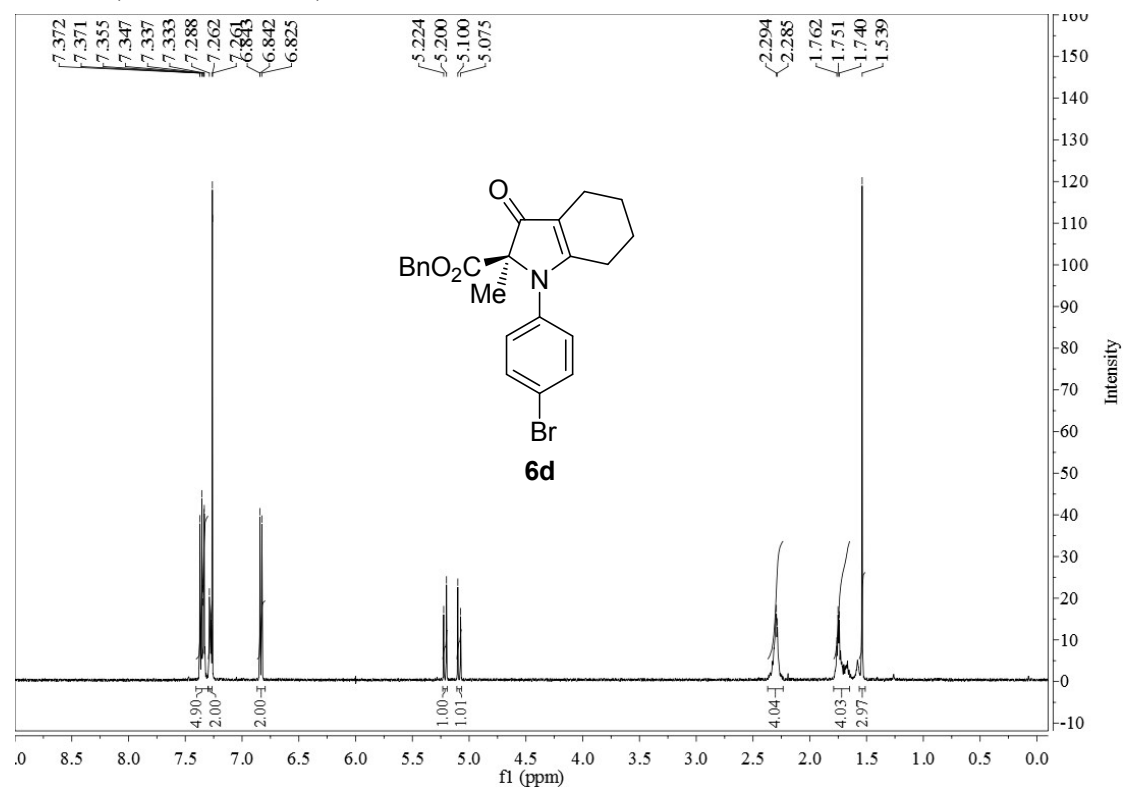


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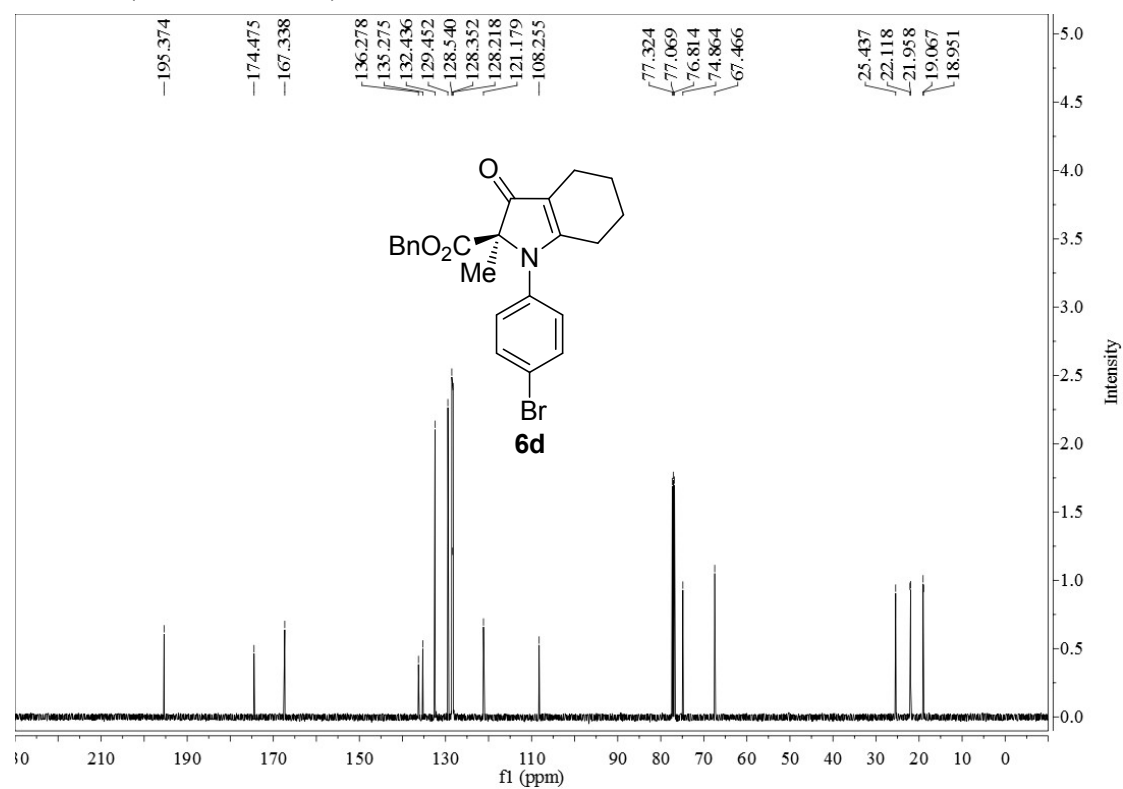


(R)-Benzyl 1-(4-Bromophenyl)-2-methyl-3-oxo-2,3,4,5,6,7-hexahydro-1H-indole-2-carboxylate (6d).

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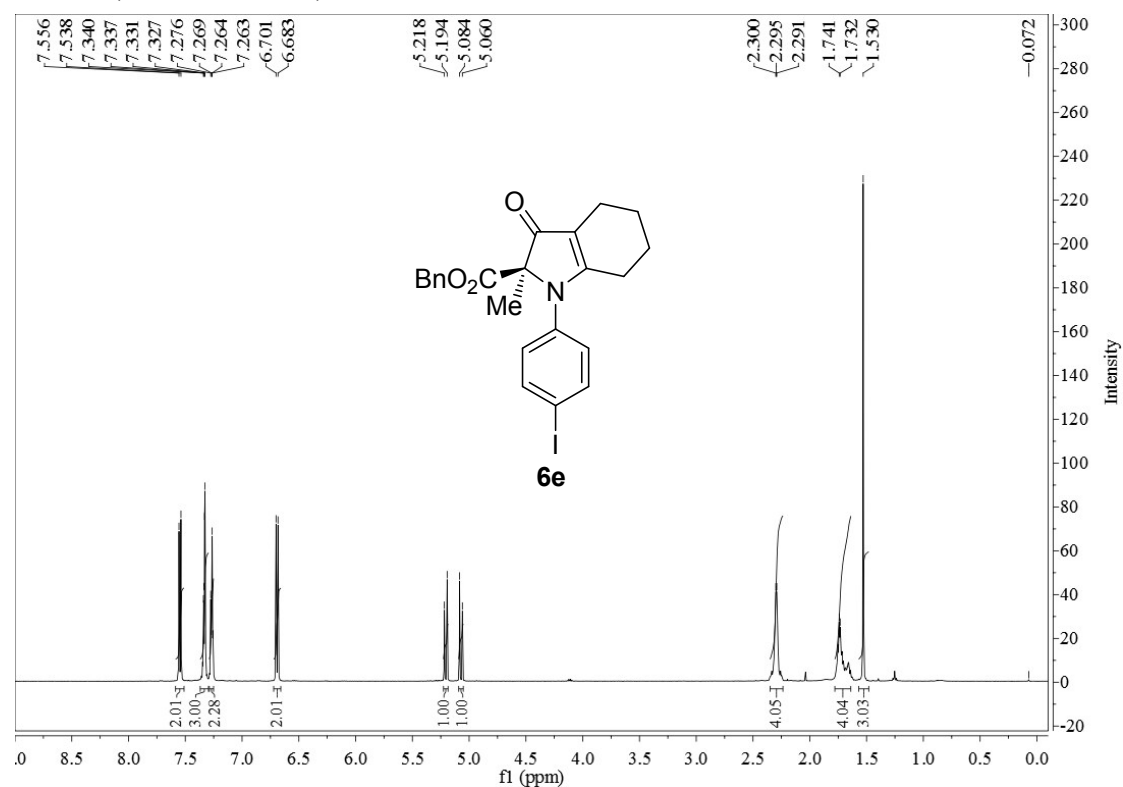


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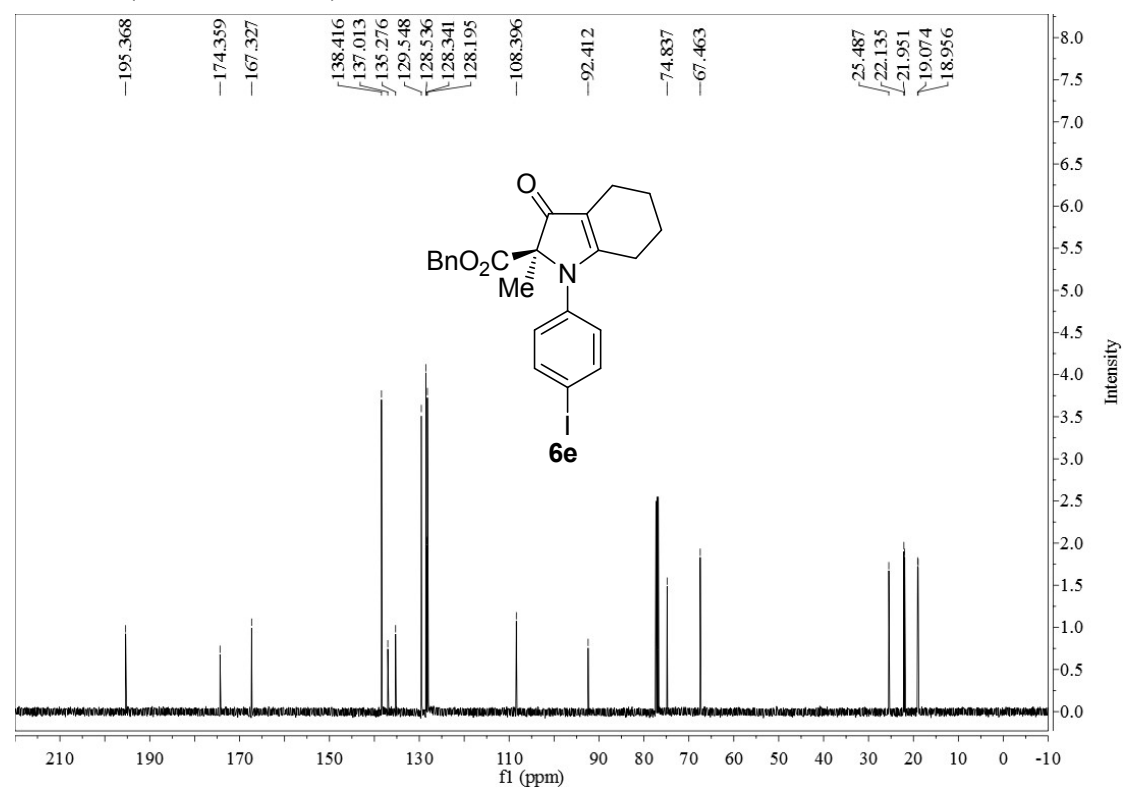


(R)-Benzyl 1-(4-Iodophenyl)-2-methyl-3-oxo-2,3,4,5,6,7-hexahydro-1H-indole-2-carboxylate (6e).

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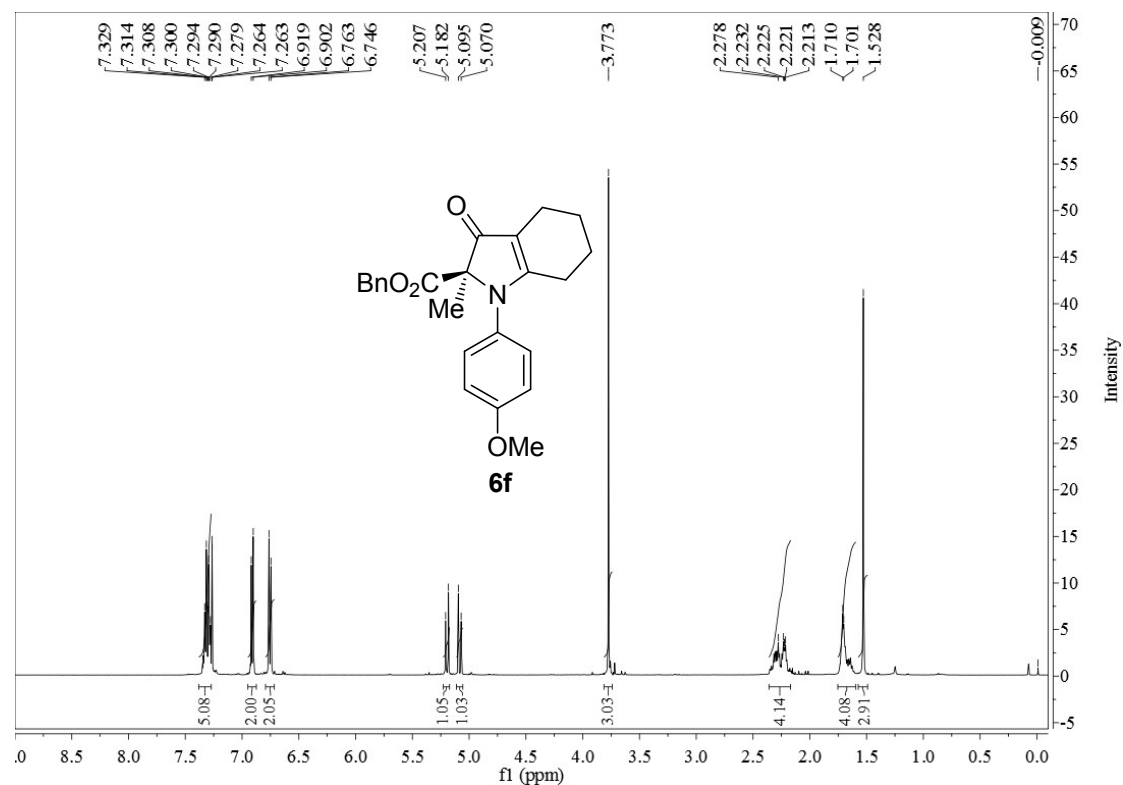


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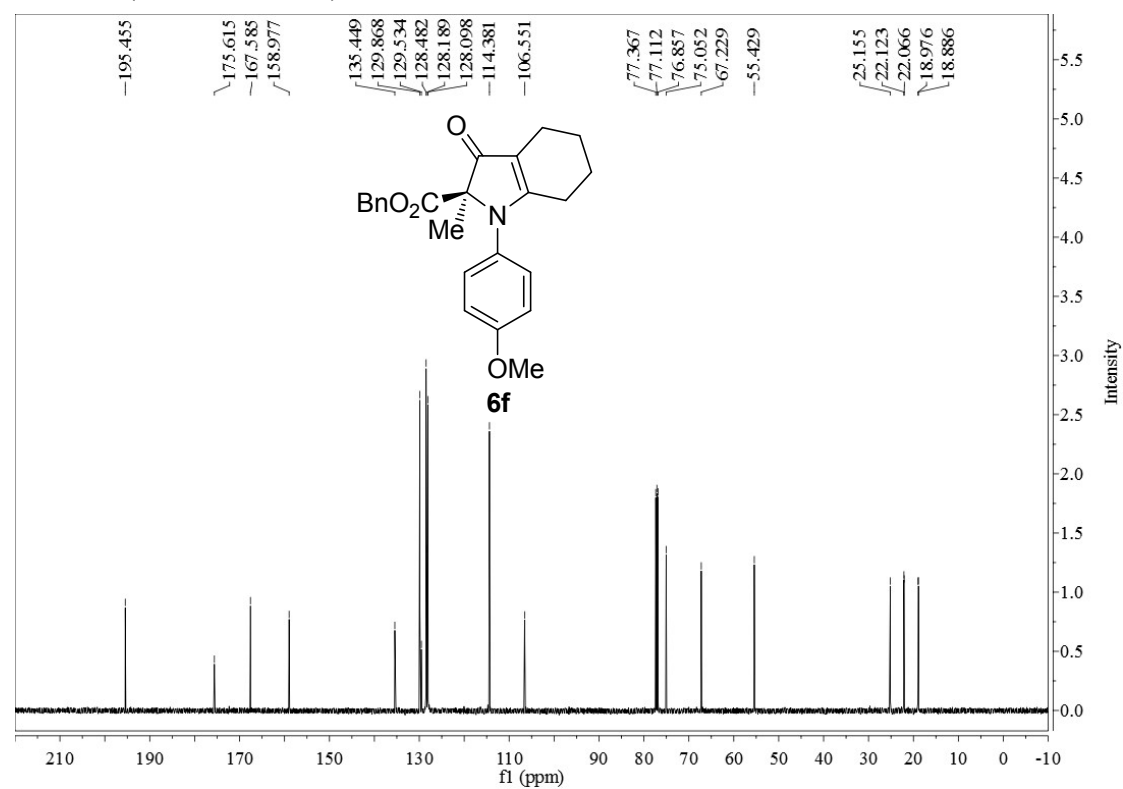


(R)-Benzyl 1-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-2-methyl-3-oxo-2,3,4,5,6,7-hexahydro-1H-indole-2-carboxylate (6f).

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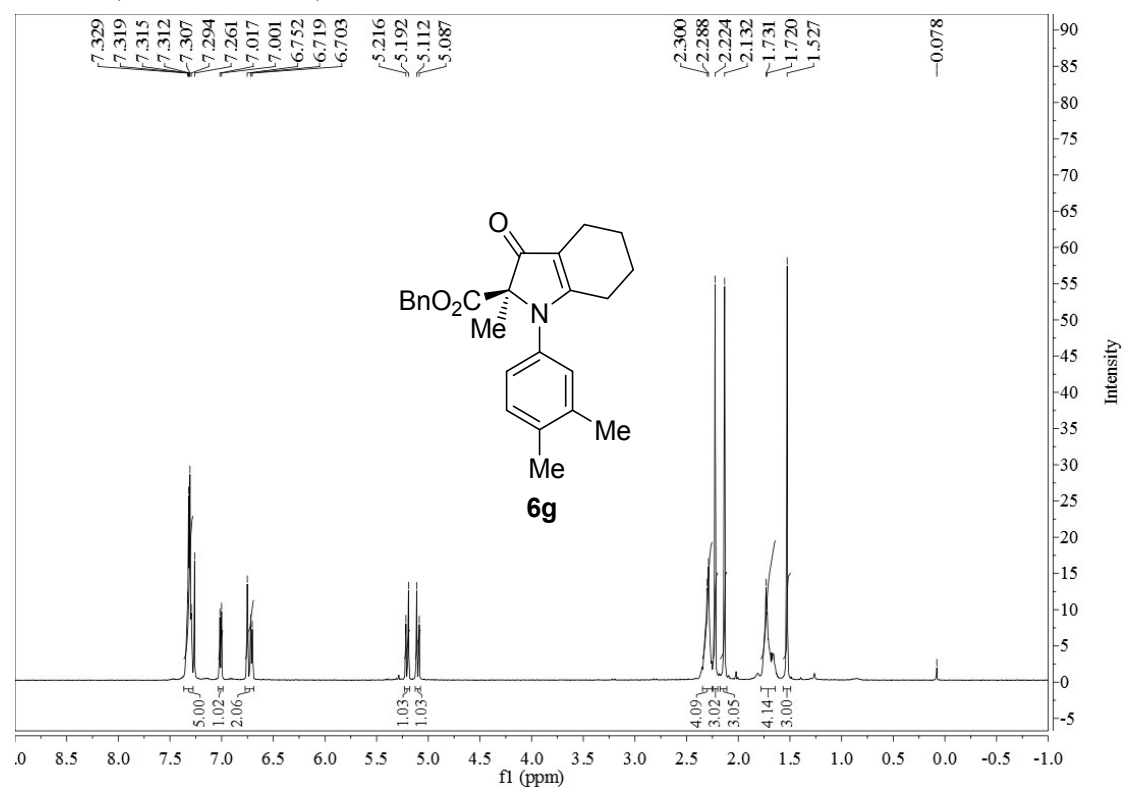


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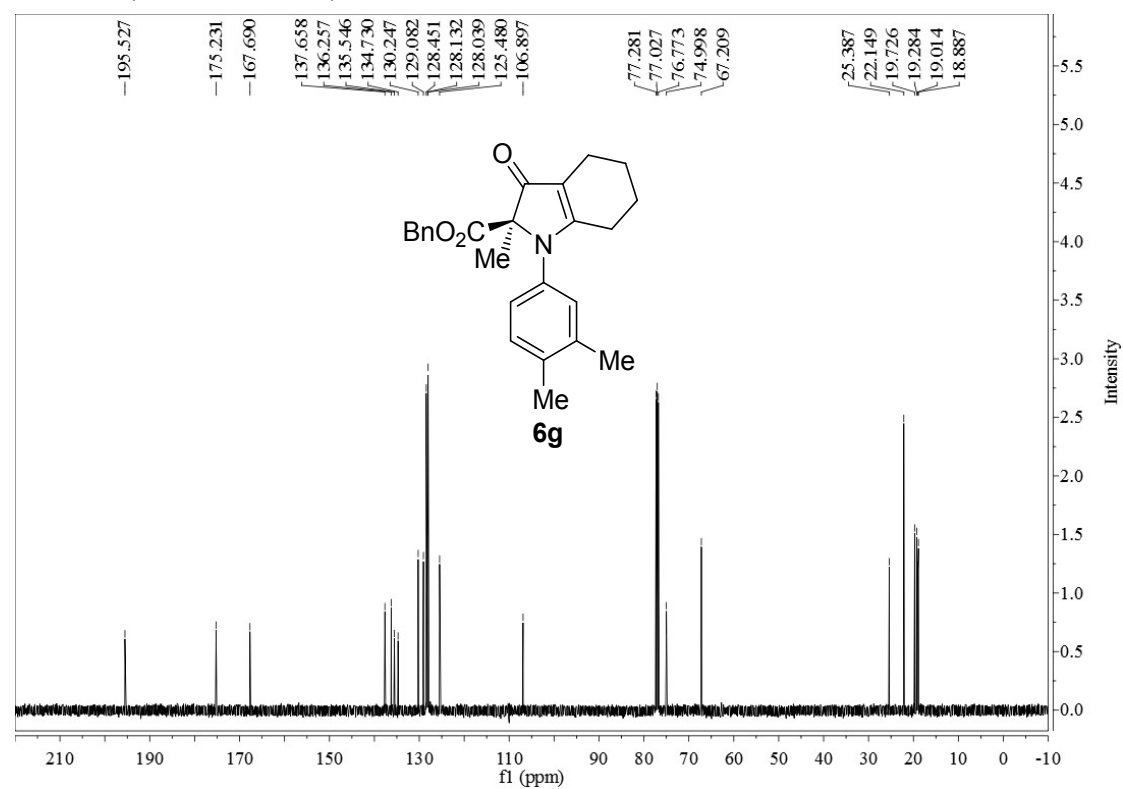


(R)-Benzyl 1-(3,4-Dimethylphenyl)-2-methyl-3-oxo-2,3,4,5,6,7-hexahydro-1H-indole-2-carboxylate (6g).

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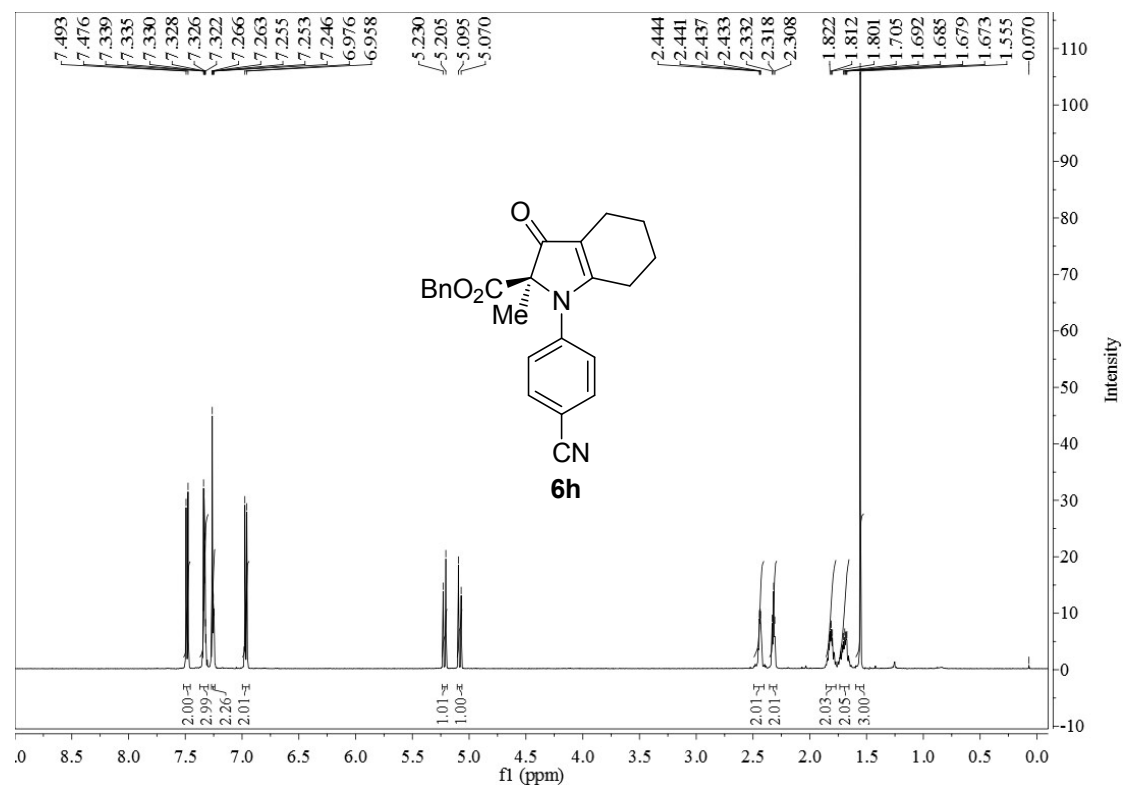


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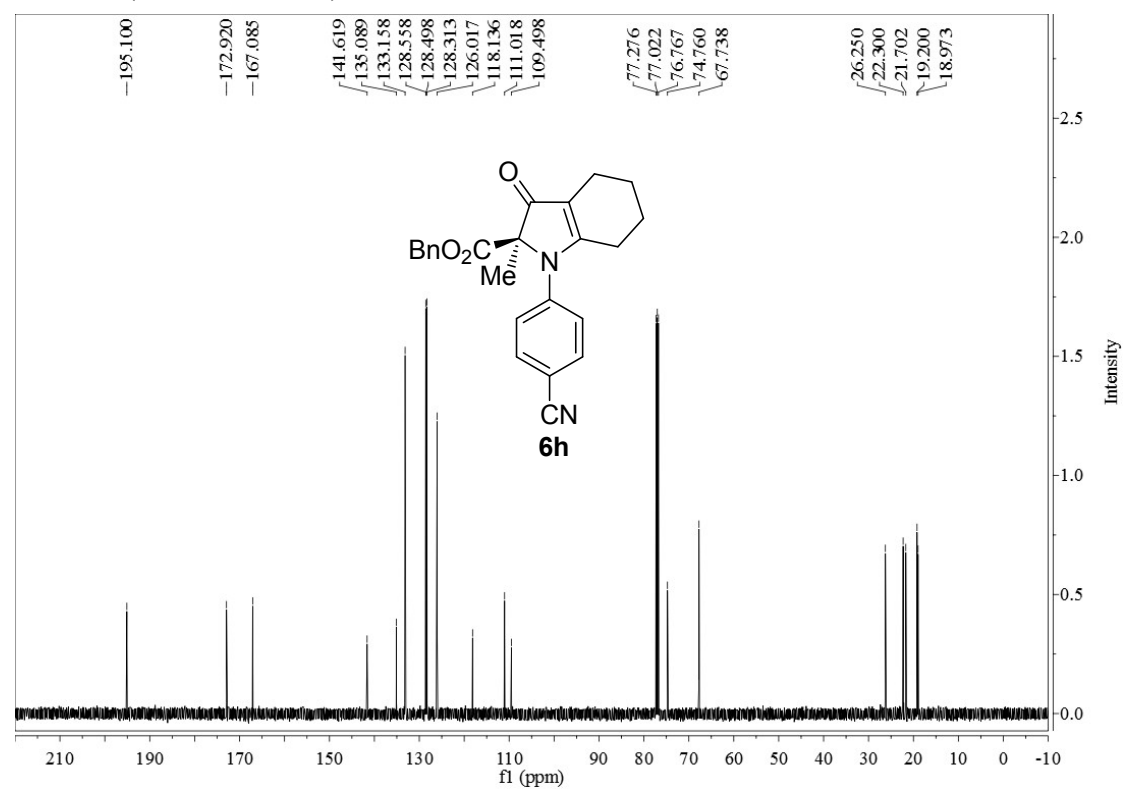


(R)-Benzyl 1-(4-Cyanophenyl)-2-methyl-3-oxo-2,3,4,5,6,7-hexahydro-1H-indole-2-carboxylate (6h).

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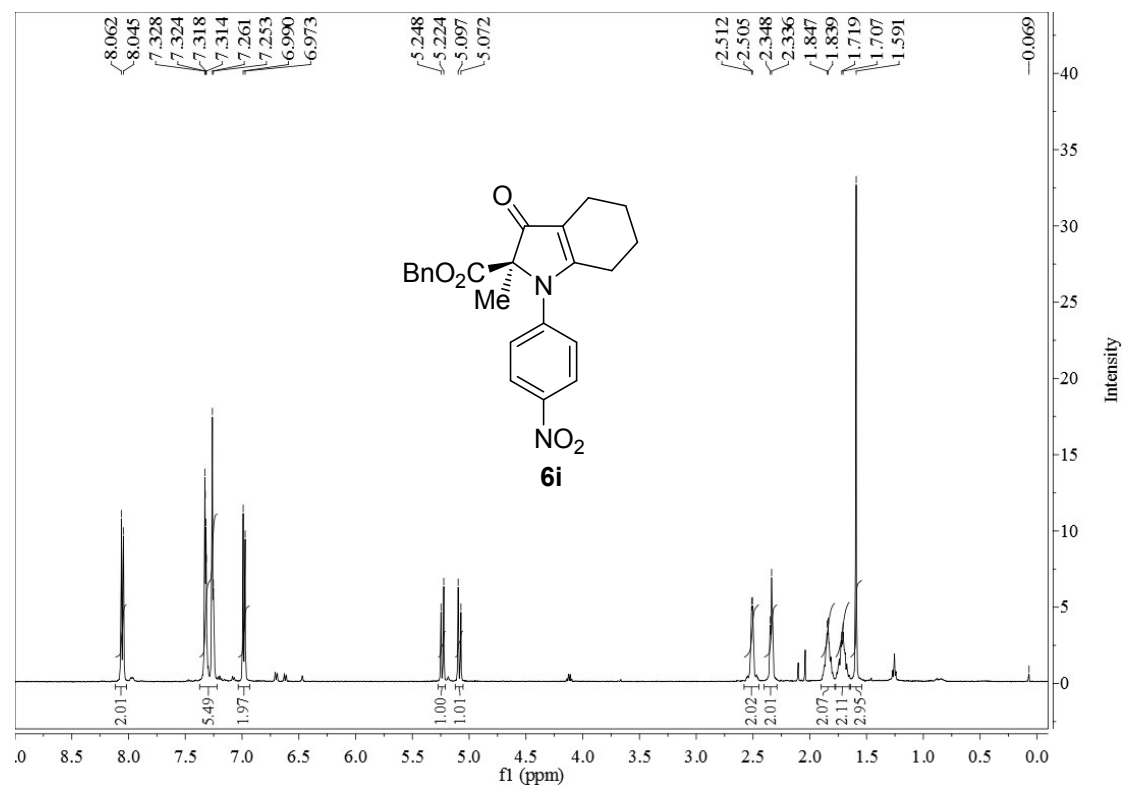


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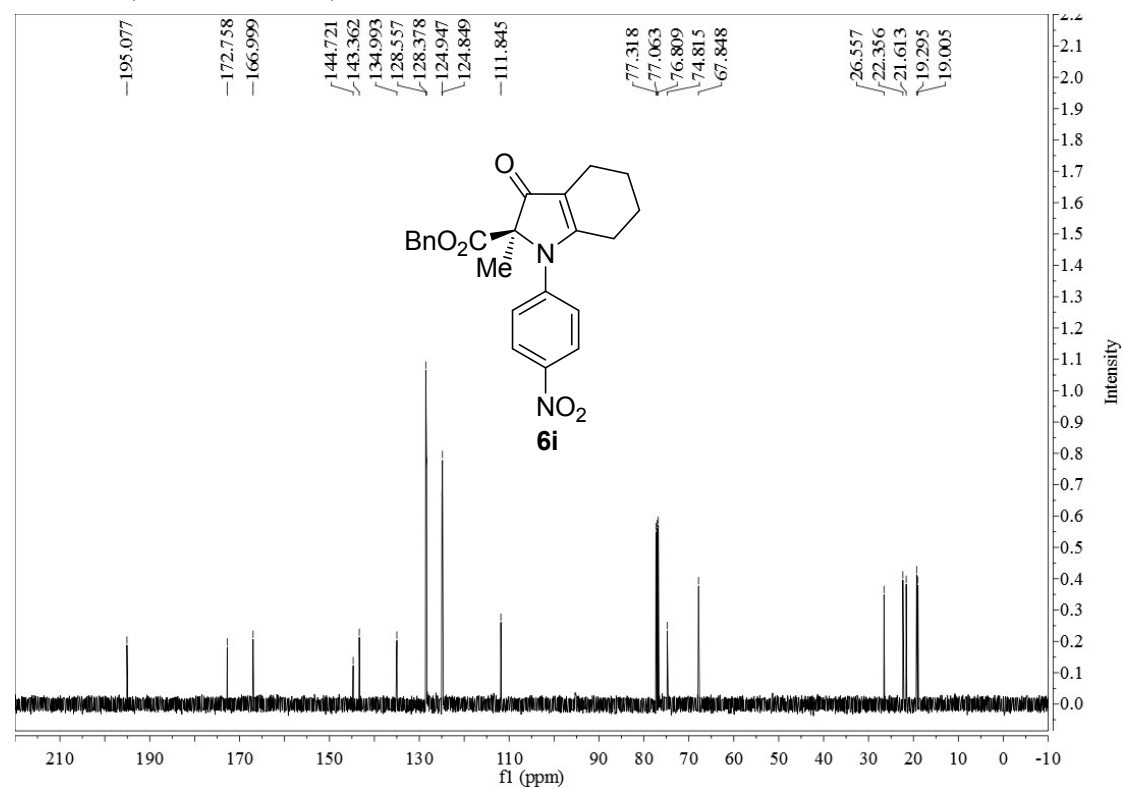


(R)-Benzyl 2-Methyl-1-(4-nitrophenyl)-3-oxo-2,3,4,5,6,7-hexahydro-1H-indole-2-carboxylate (6i).

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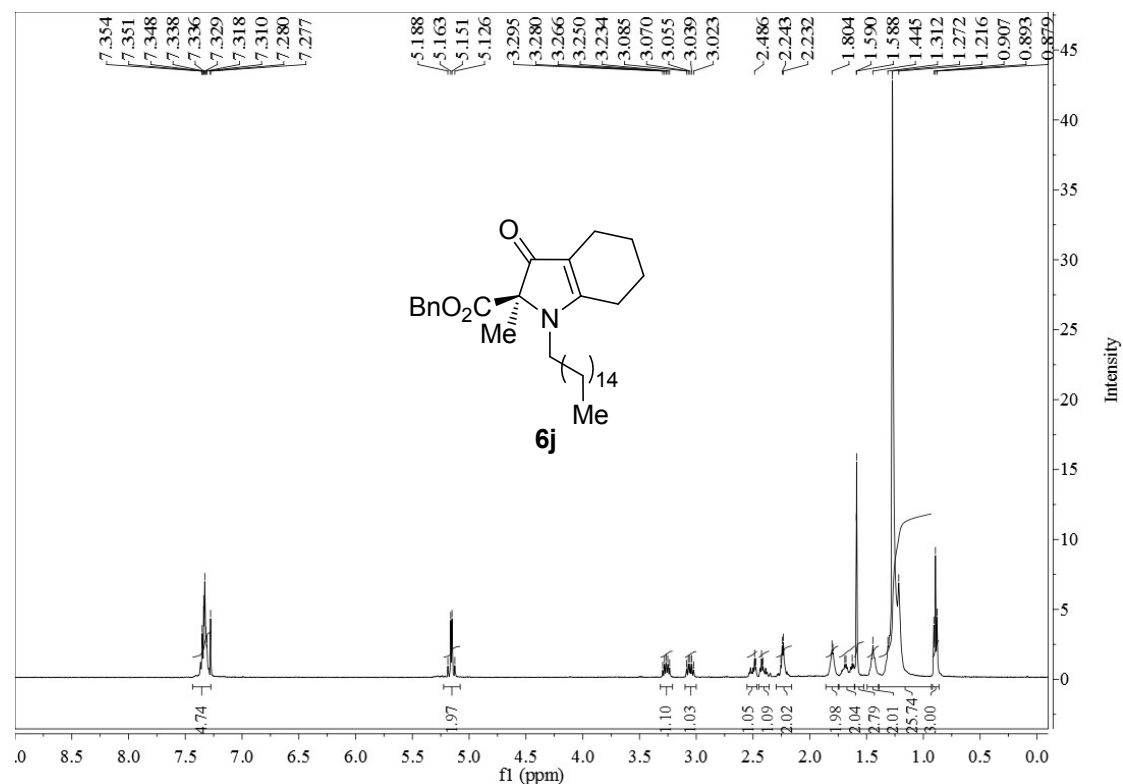


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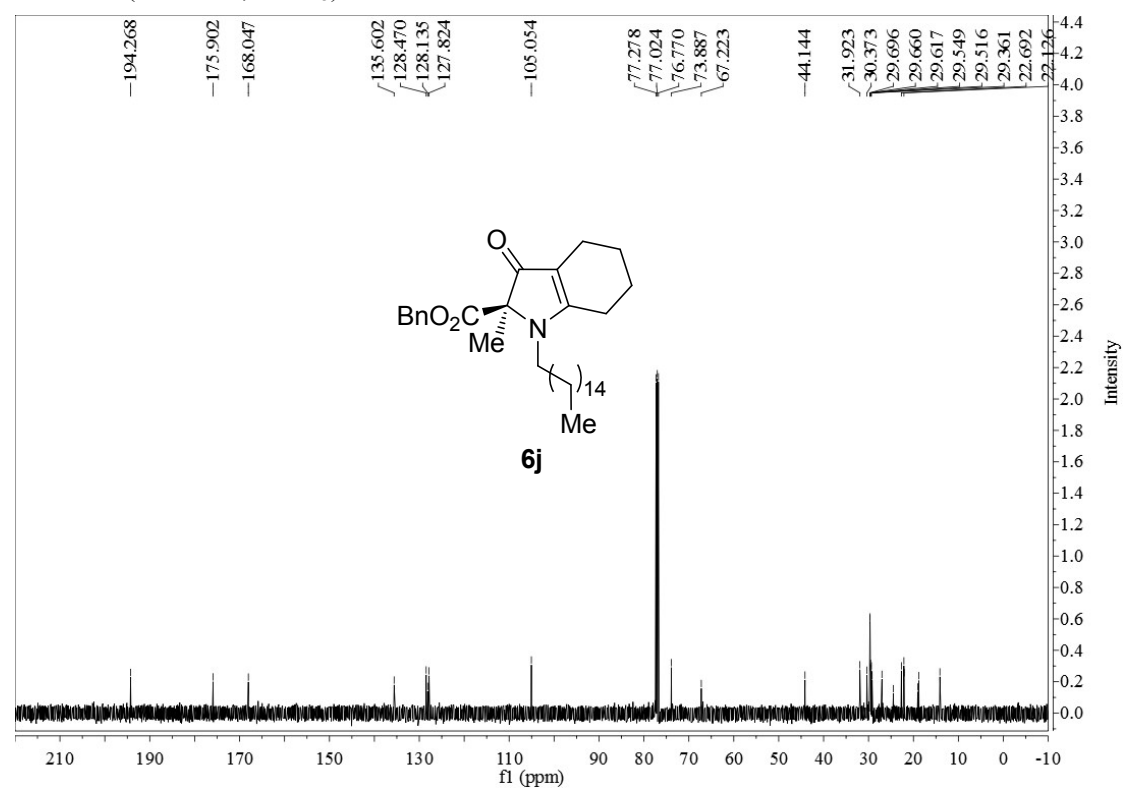


(*R*)-Benzyl 1-Hexadecyl-2-methyl-3-oxo-2,3,4,5,6,7-hexahydro-1*H*-indole-2-carboxylate (6j).

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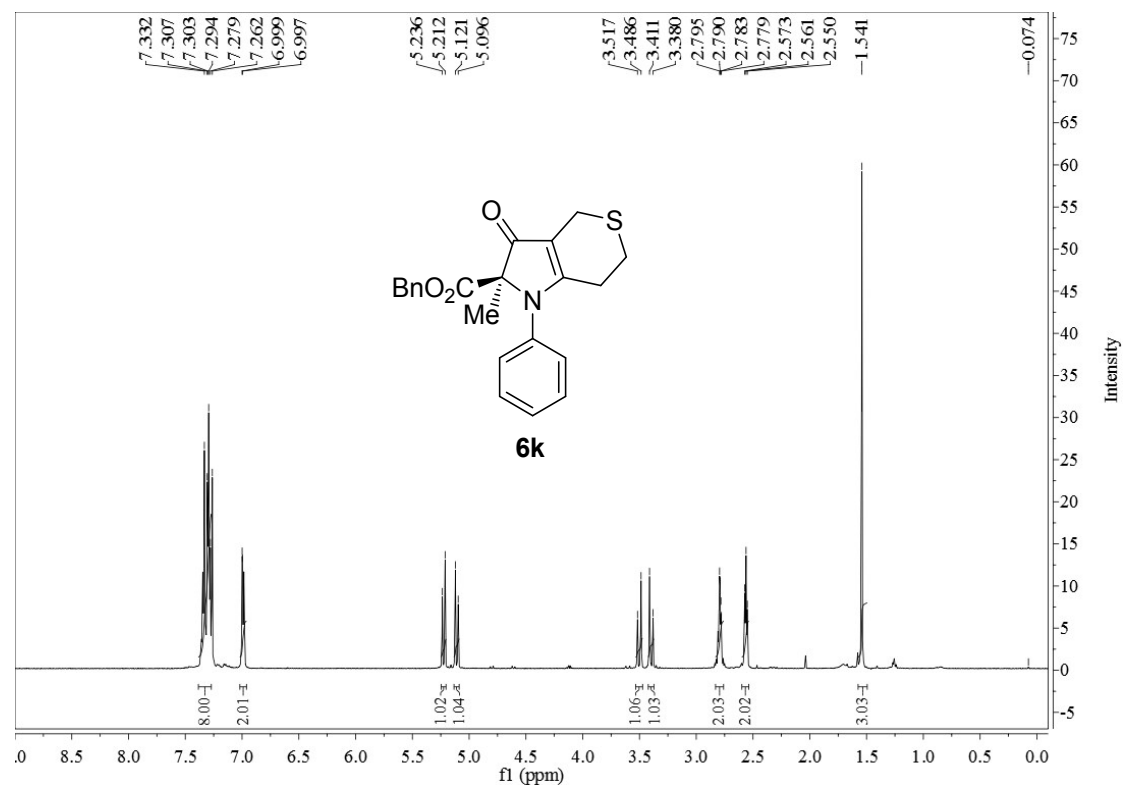


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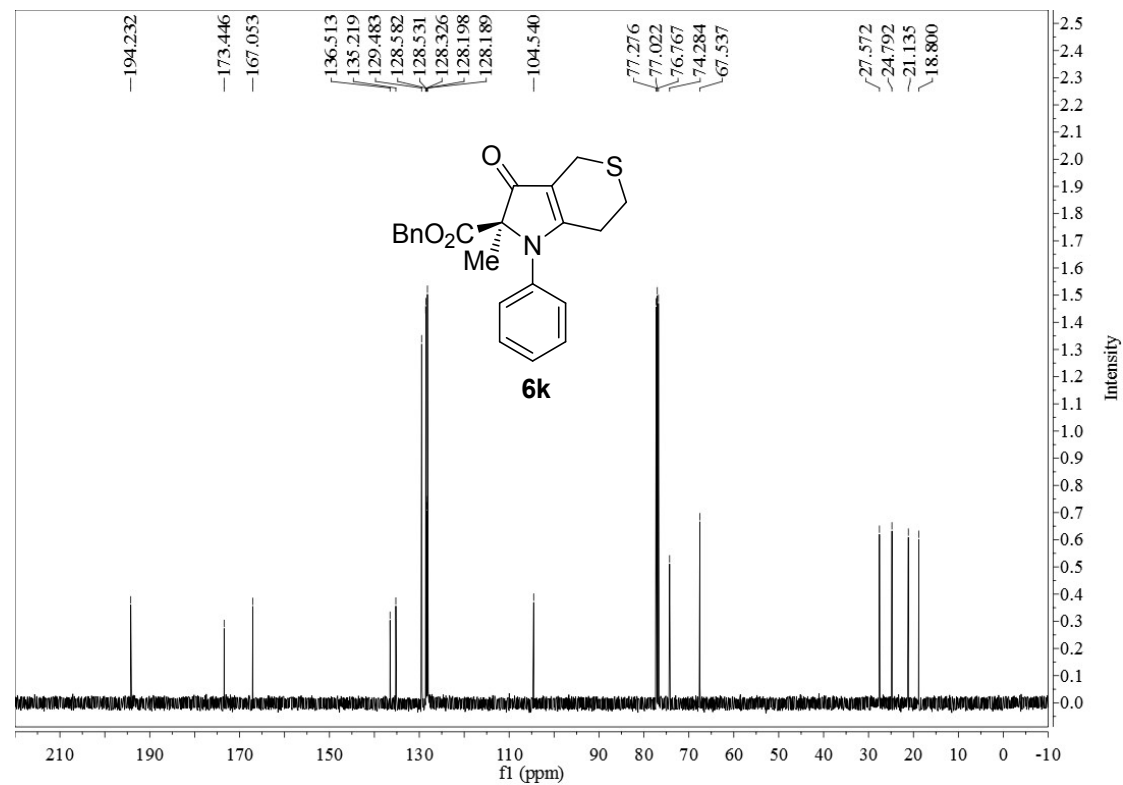


(R)-Benzyl 2-Methyl-3-oxo-1-phenyl-1,2,3,4,6,7-hexahydrothiopyrano[4,3-*b*]pyrrole-2-carboxylate (6k).

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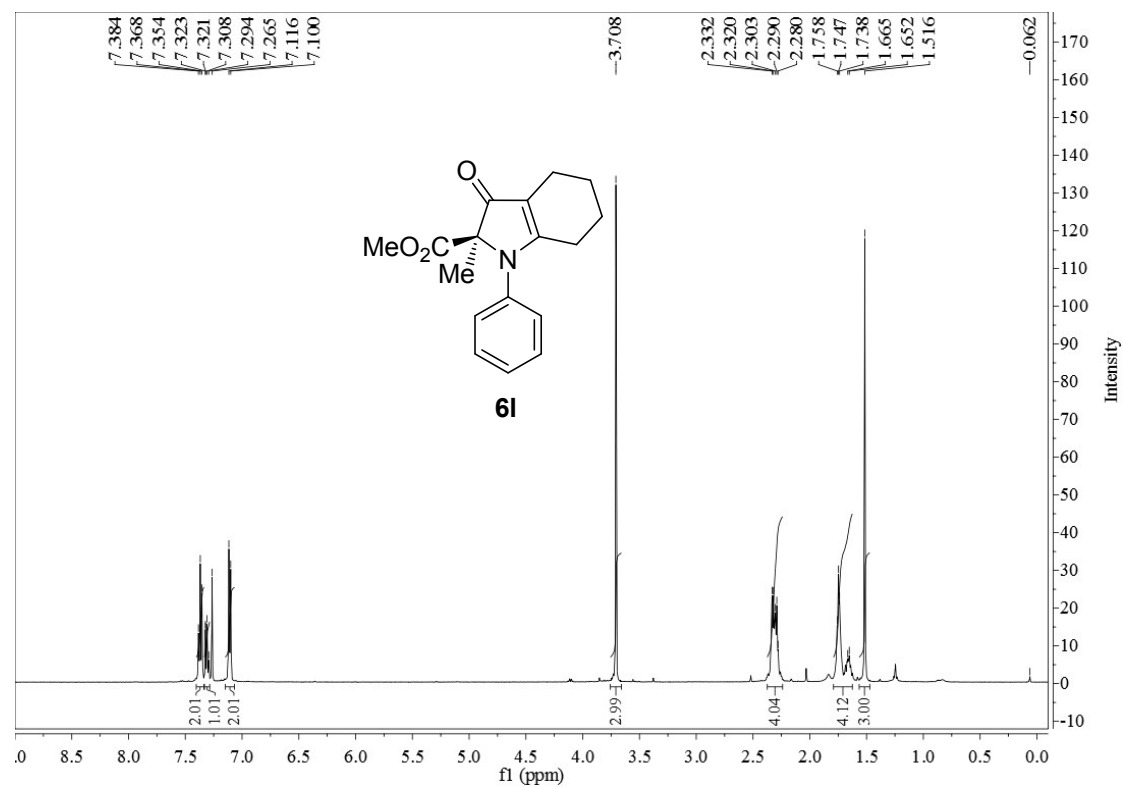


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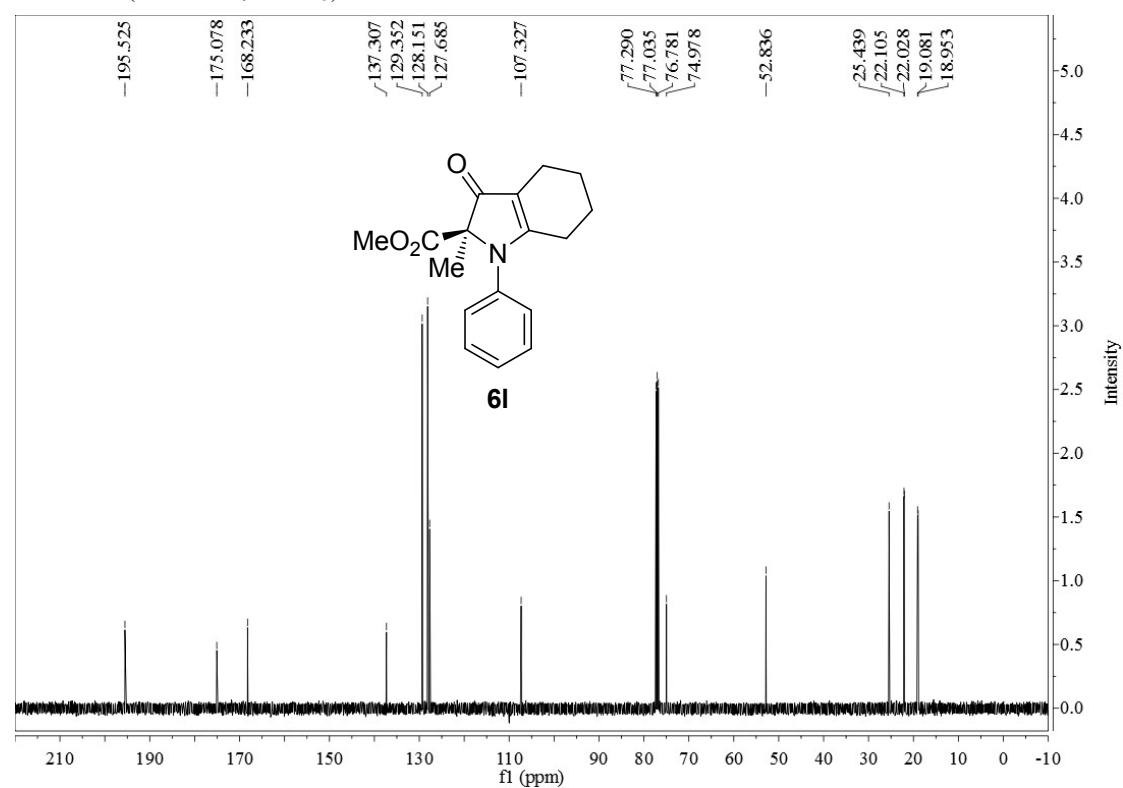


(R)-Methyl 2-Methyl-3-oxo-1-phenyl-2,3,4,5,6,7-hexahydro-1H-indole-2-carboxylate (6I).

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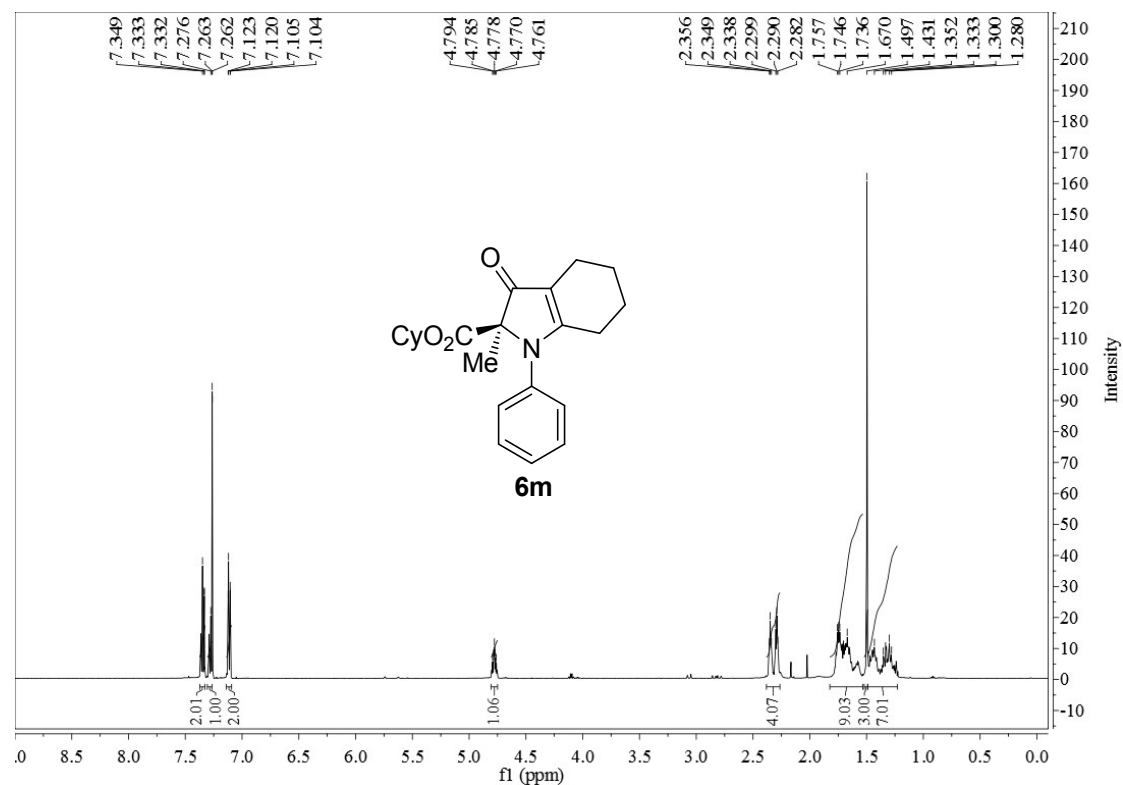


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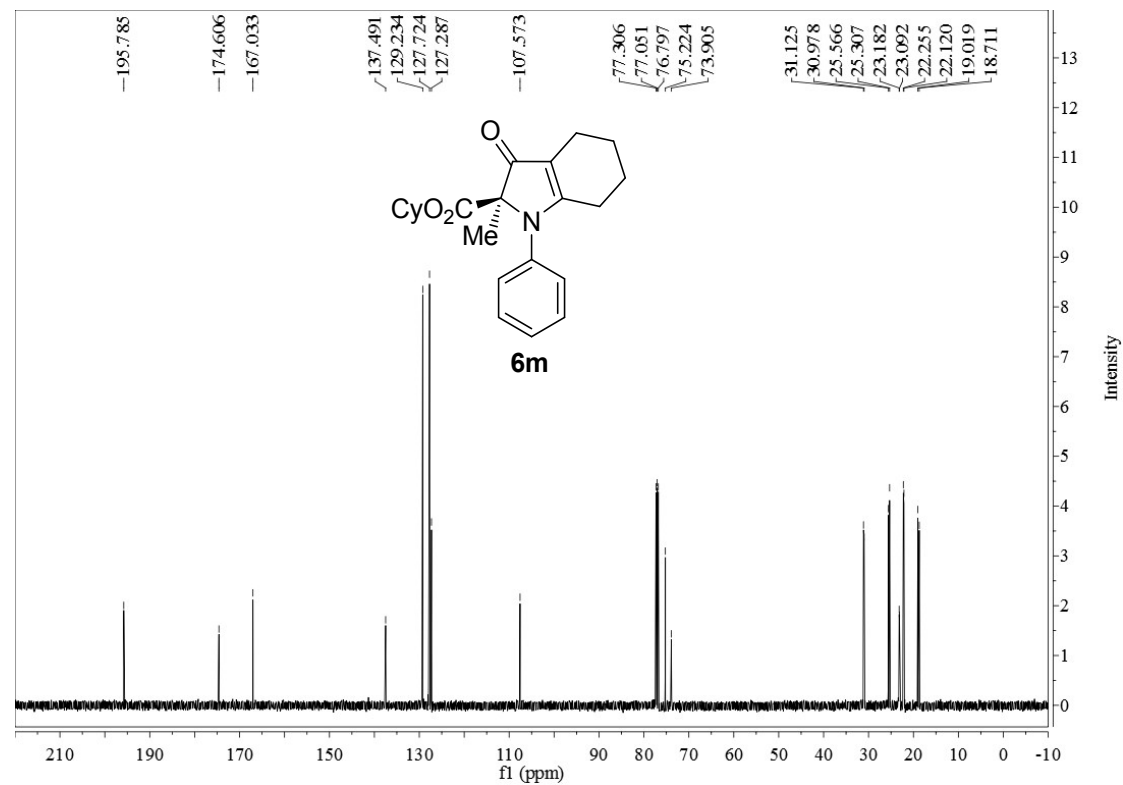


(R)-Cyclohexyl 2-Methyl-3-oxo-1-phenyl-2,3,4,5,6,7-hexahydro-1H-indole-2-carboxylate (6m).

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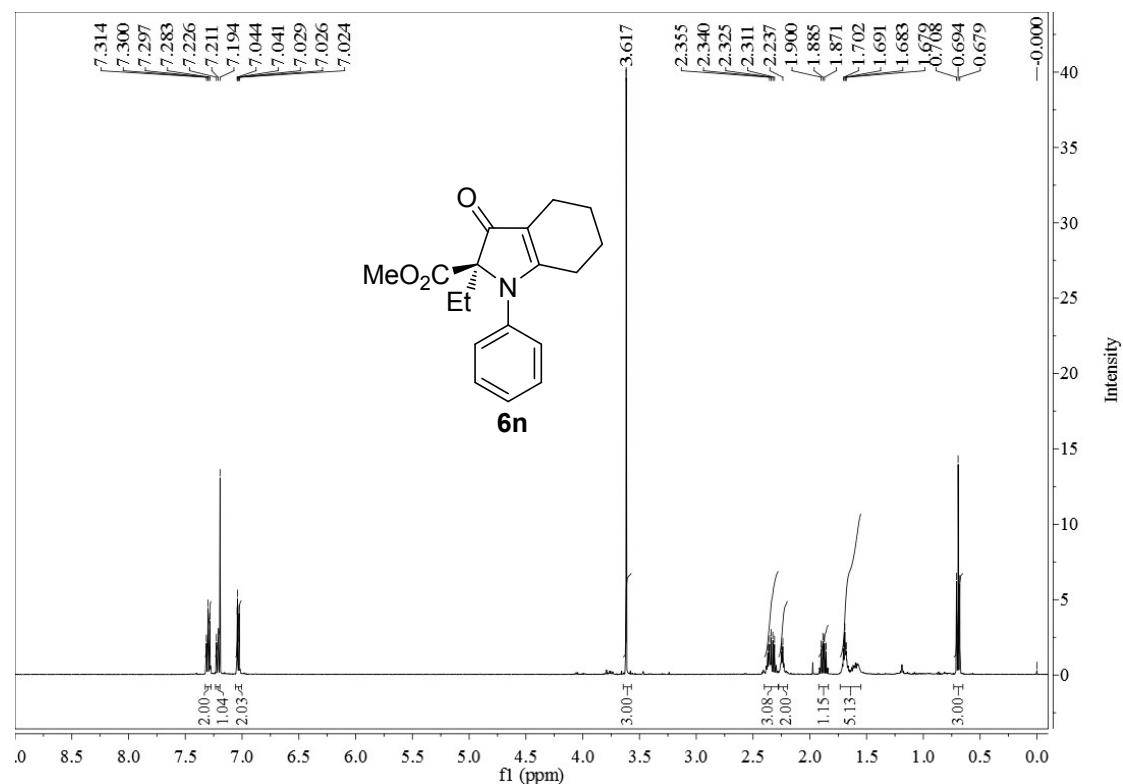


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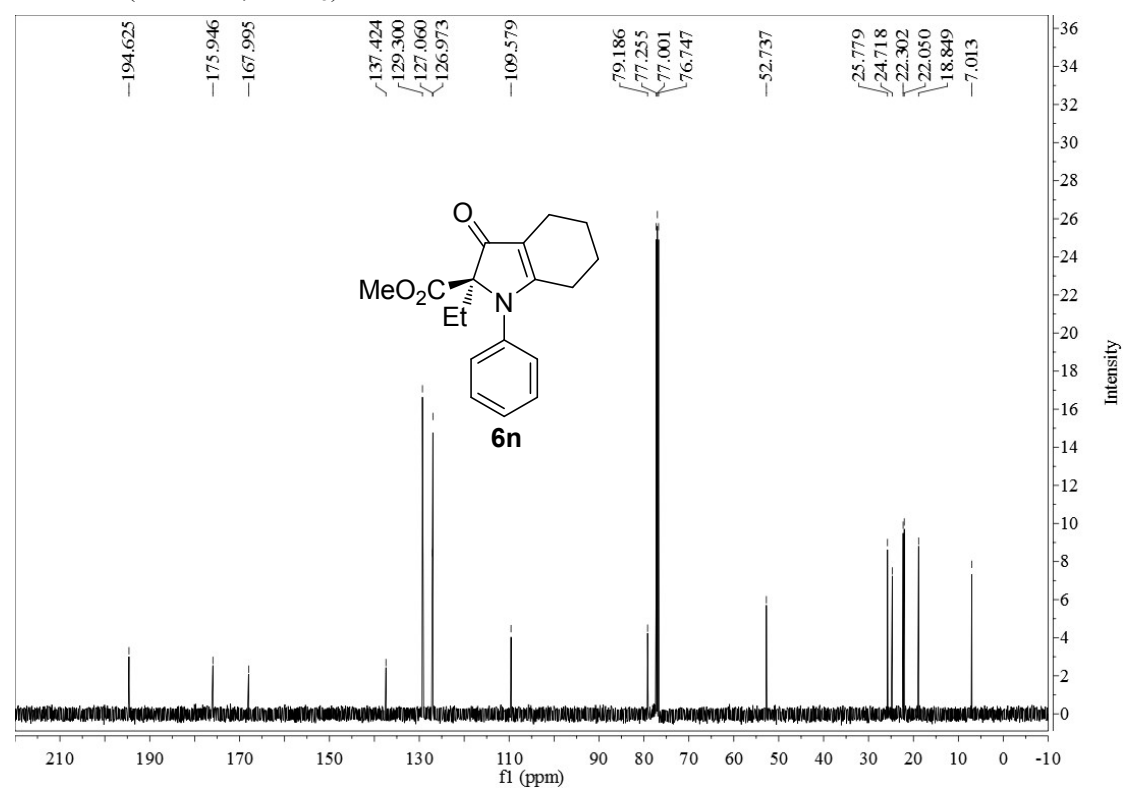


(R)-Methyl 2-Ethyl-3-oxo-1-phenyl-2,3,4,5,6,7-hexahydro-1H-indole-2-carboxylate (6n).

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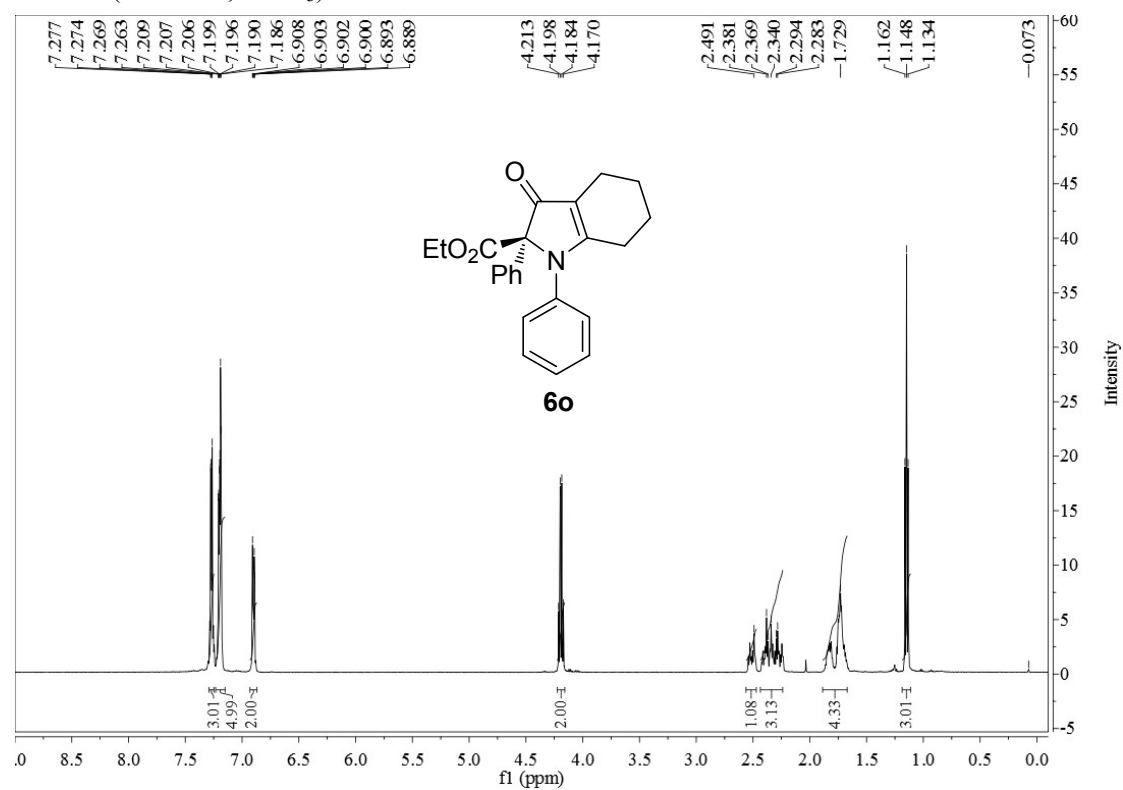


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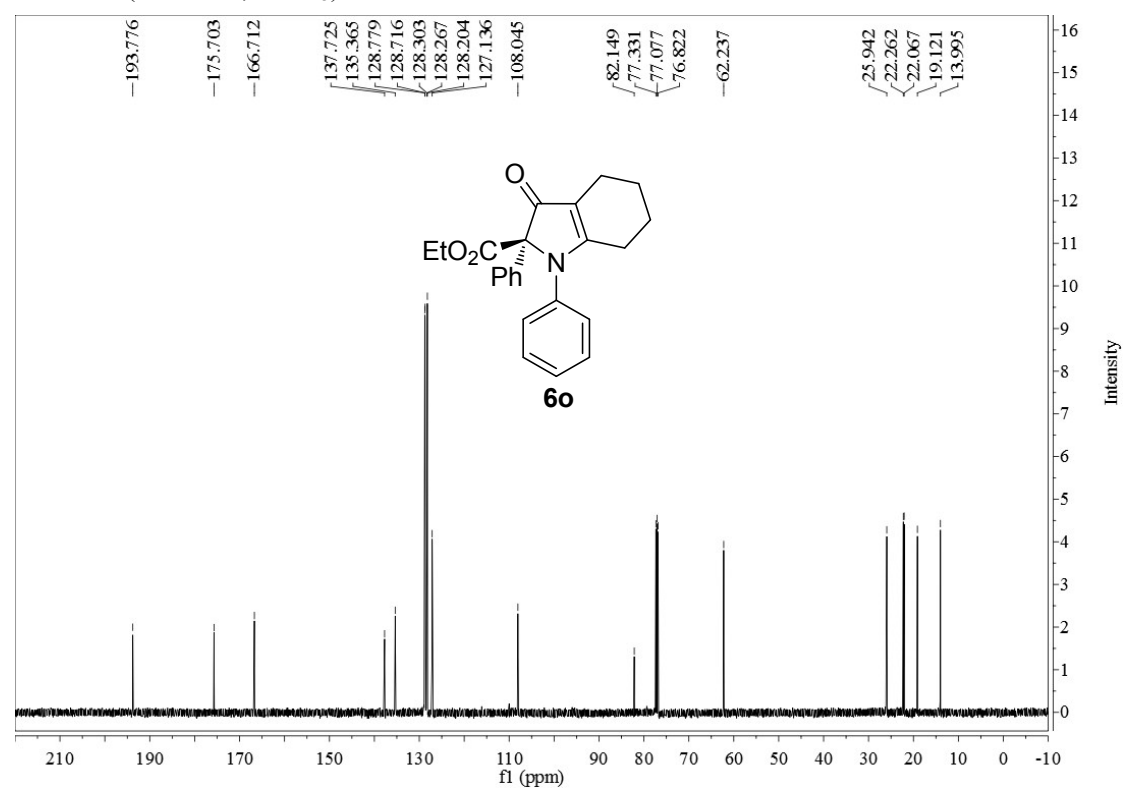


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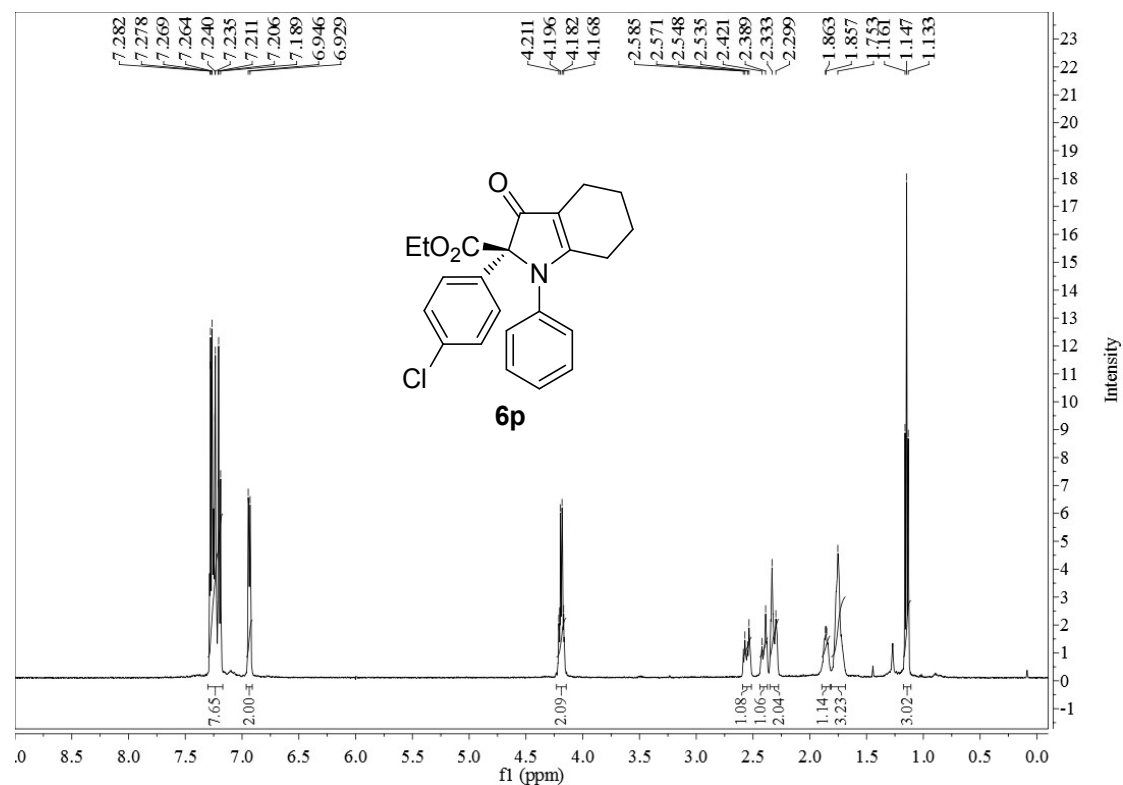


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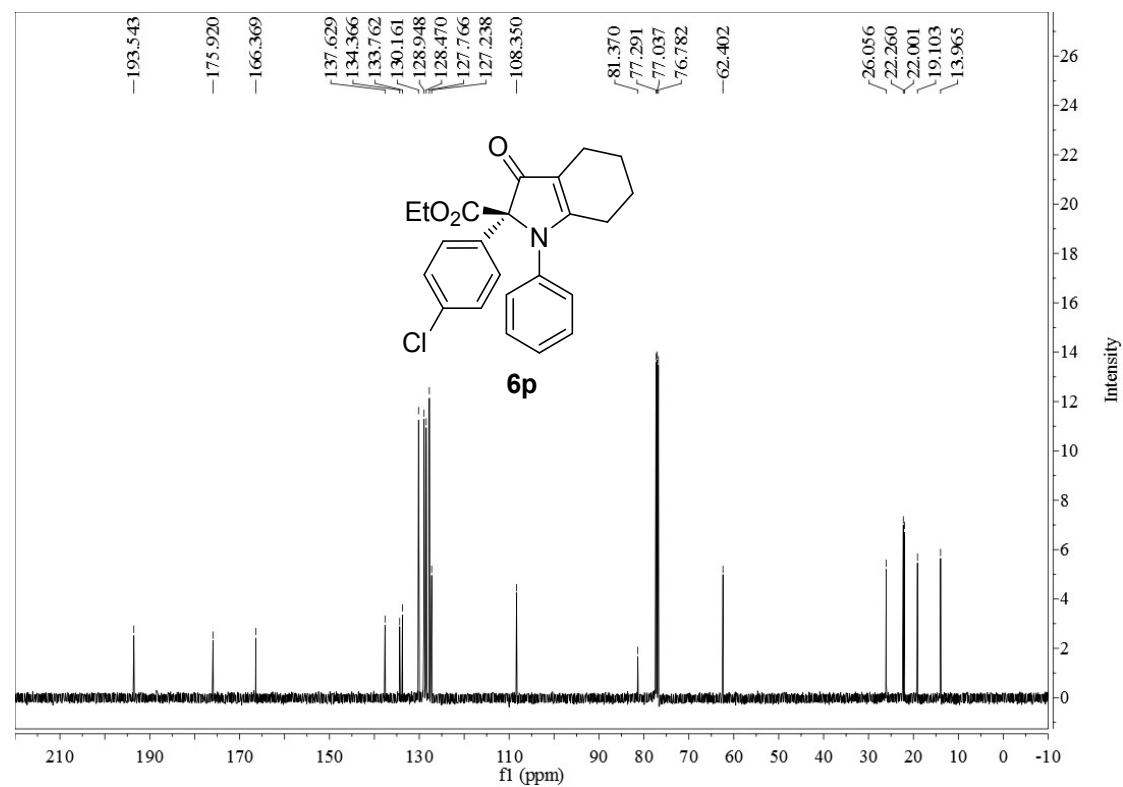


(R)-Ethyl 2-(4-Chlorophenyl)-3-oxo-1-phenyl-2,3,4,5,6,7-hexahydro-1H-indole-2-carboxylate (6p).

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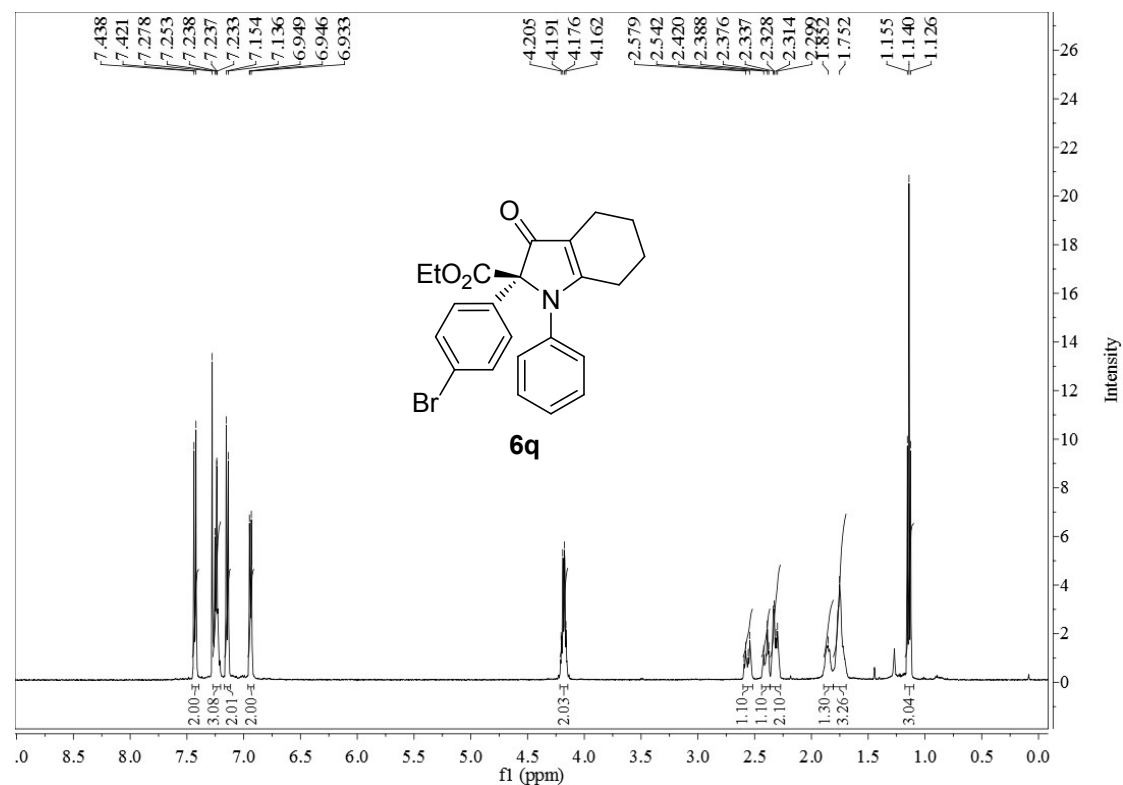


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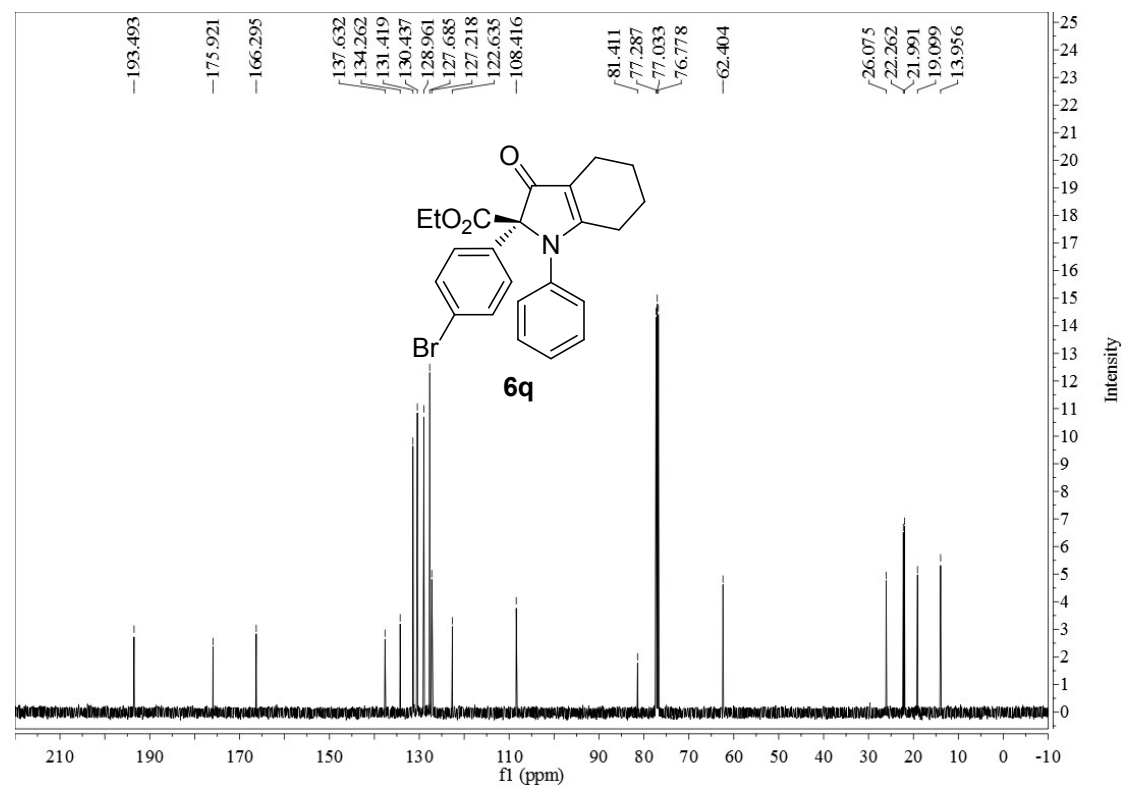


(*R*)-Ethyl 2-(4-Bromophenyl)-3-oxo-1-phenyl-2,3,4,5,6,7-hexahydro-1*H*-indole-2-carboxylate (6q).

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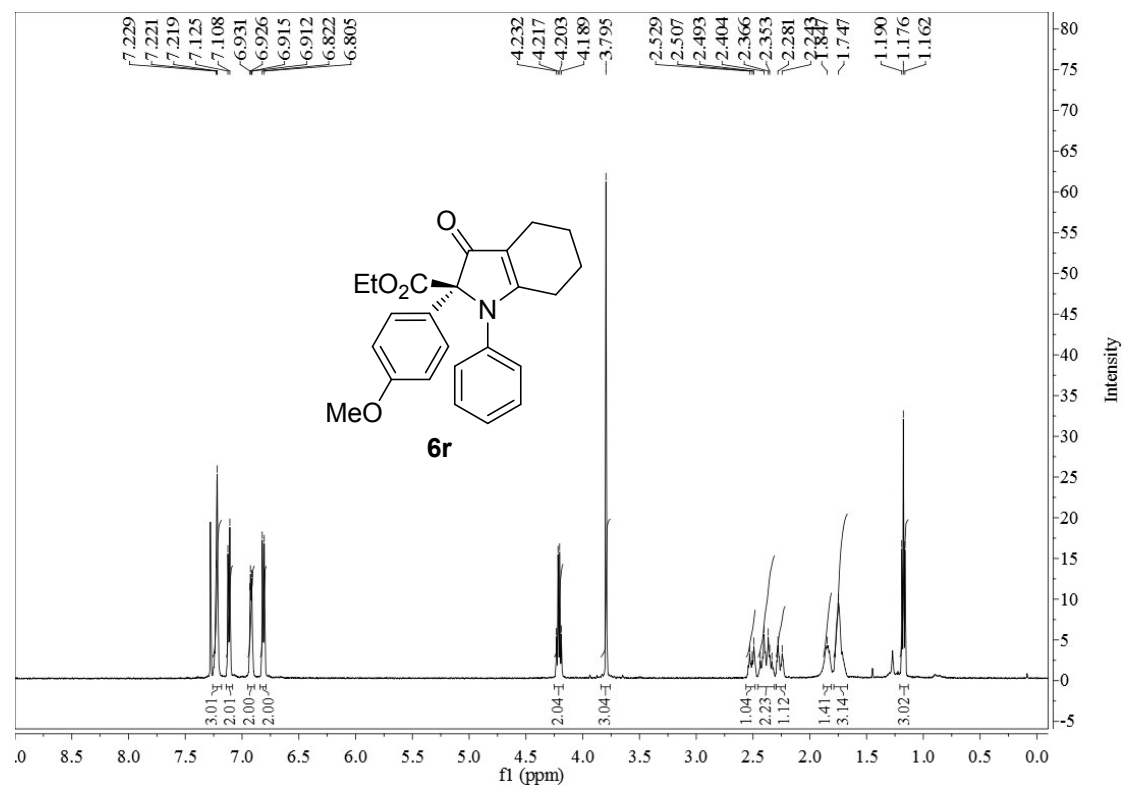


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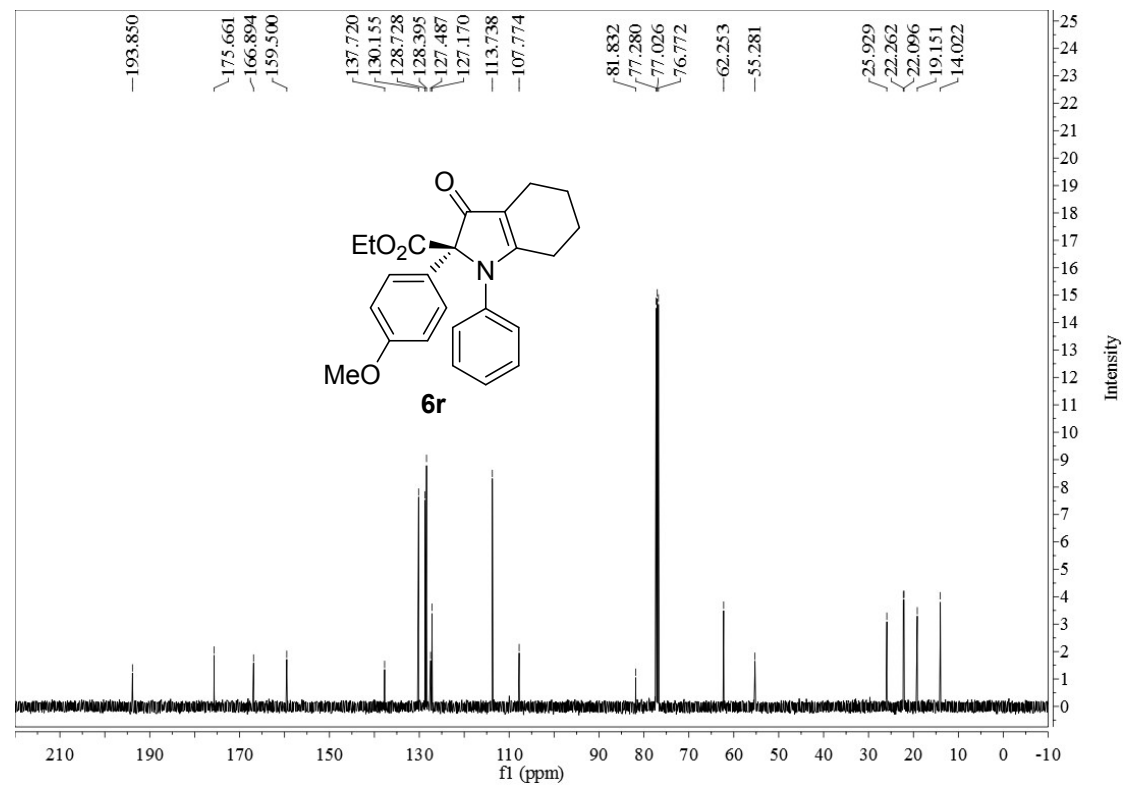


(R)-Ethyl 2-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-3-oxo-1-phenyl-2,3,4,5,6,7-hexahydro-1*H*-indole-2-carboxylate (6r).

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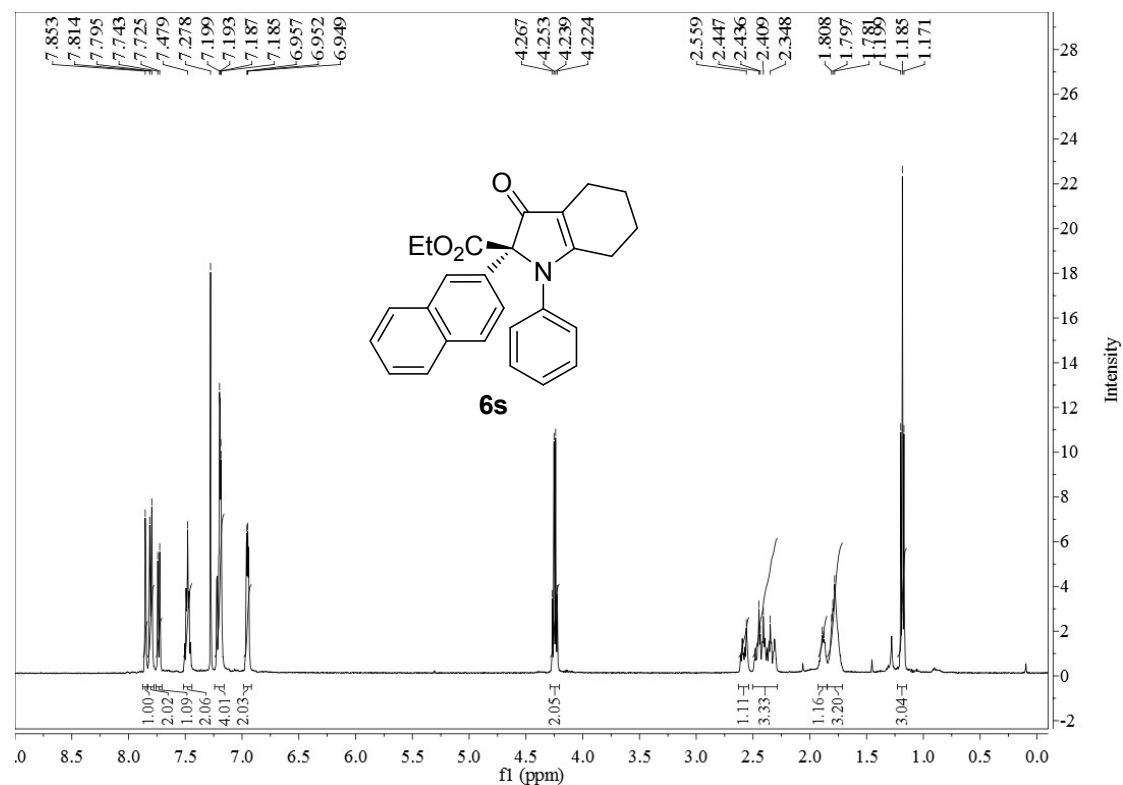


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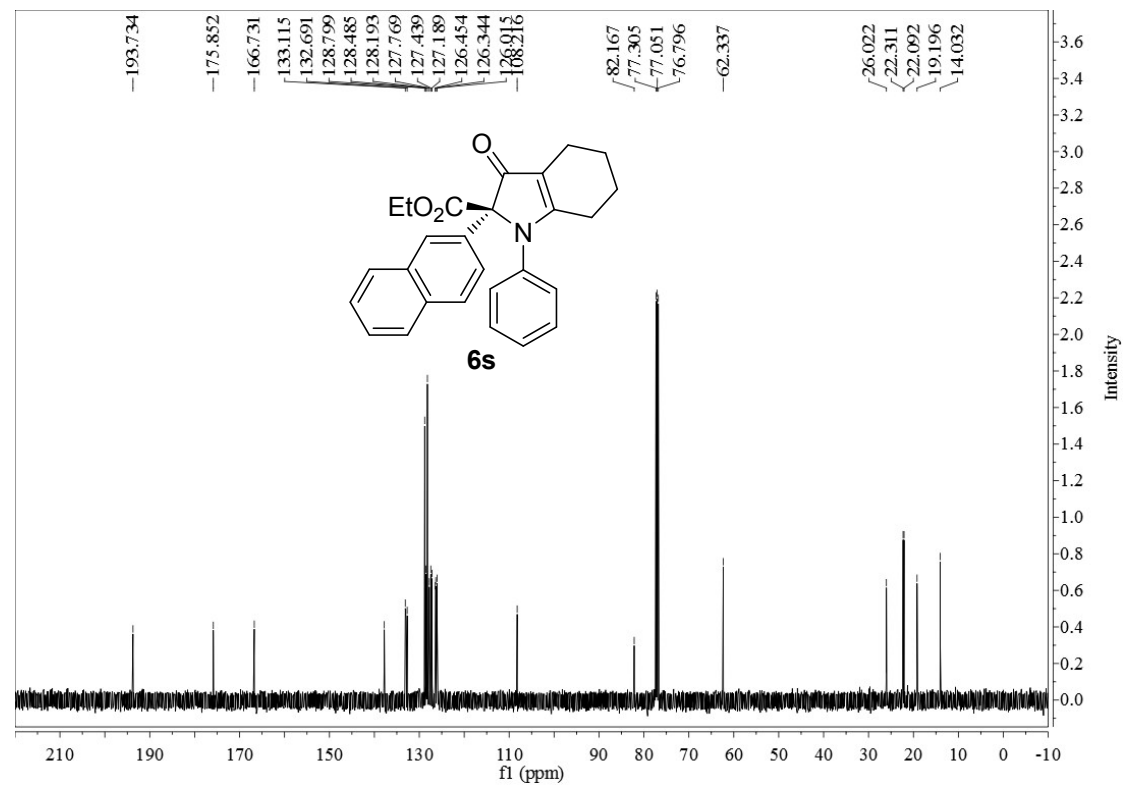


(R)-Ethyl 2-(Naphthalen-2-yl)-3-oxo-1-phenyl-2,3,4,5,6,7-hexahydro-1*H*-indole-2-carboxylate (6s).

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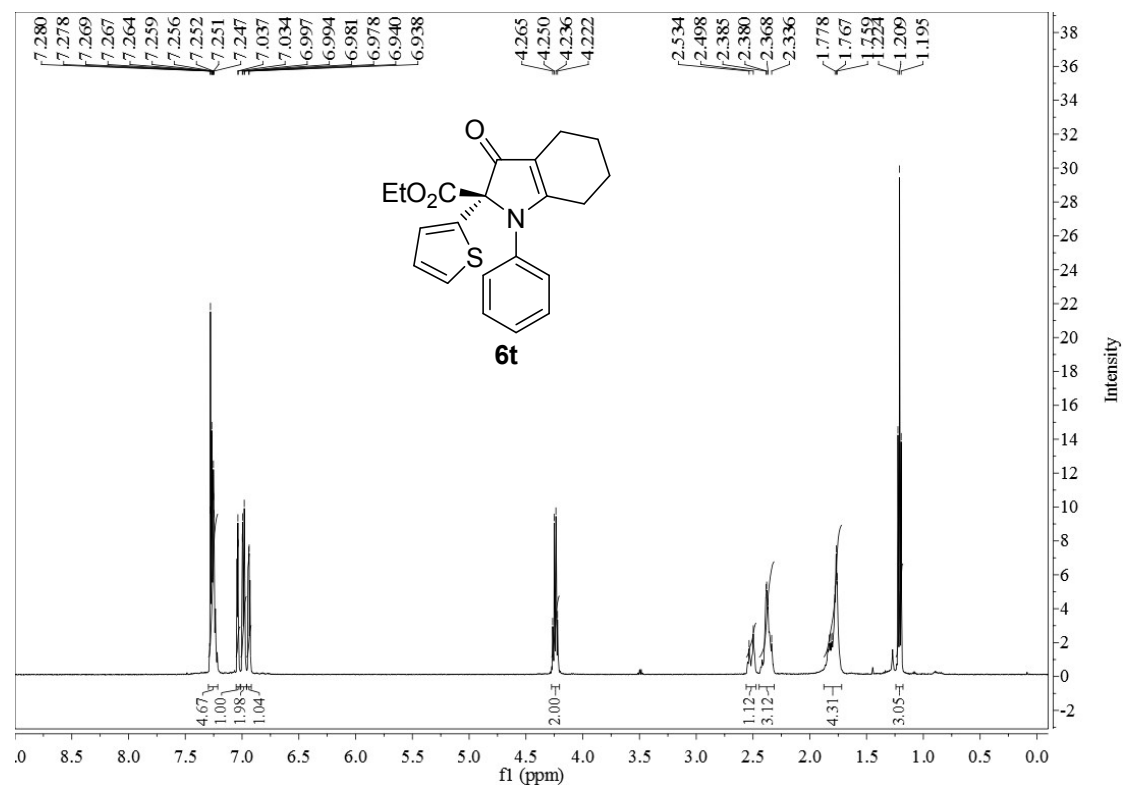


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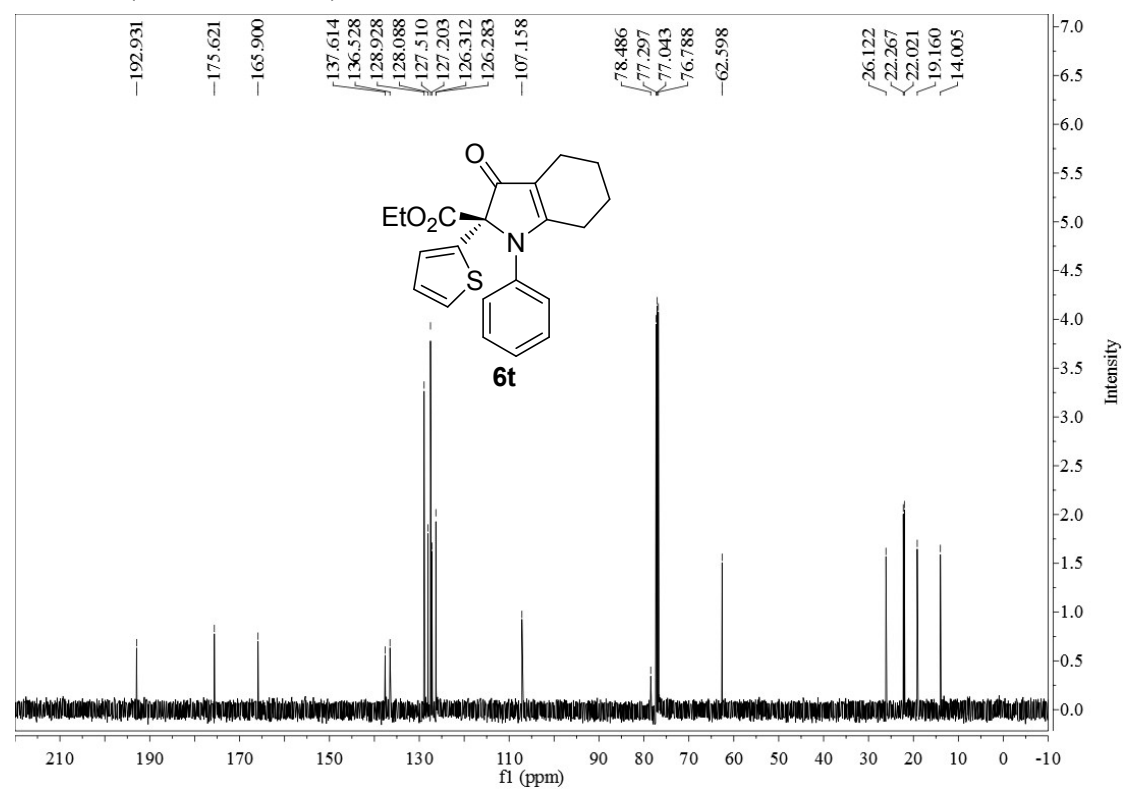


(R)-Ethyl 3-Oxo-1-phenyl-2-(thiophen-2-yl)-2,3,4,5,6,7-hexahydro-1H-indole-2-carboxylate (6t).

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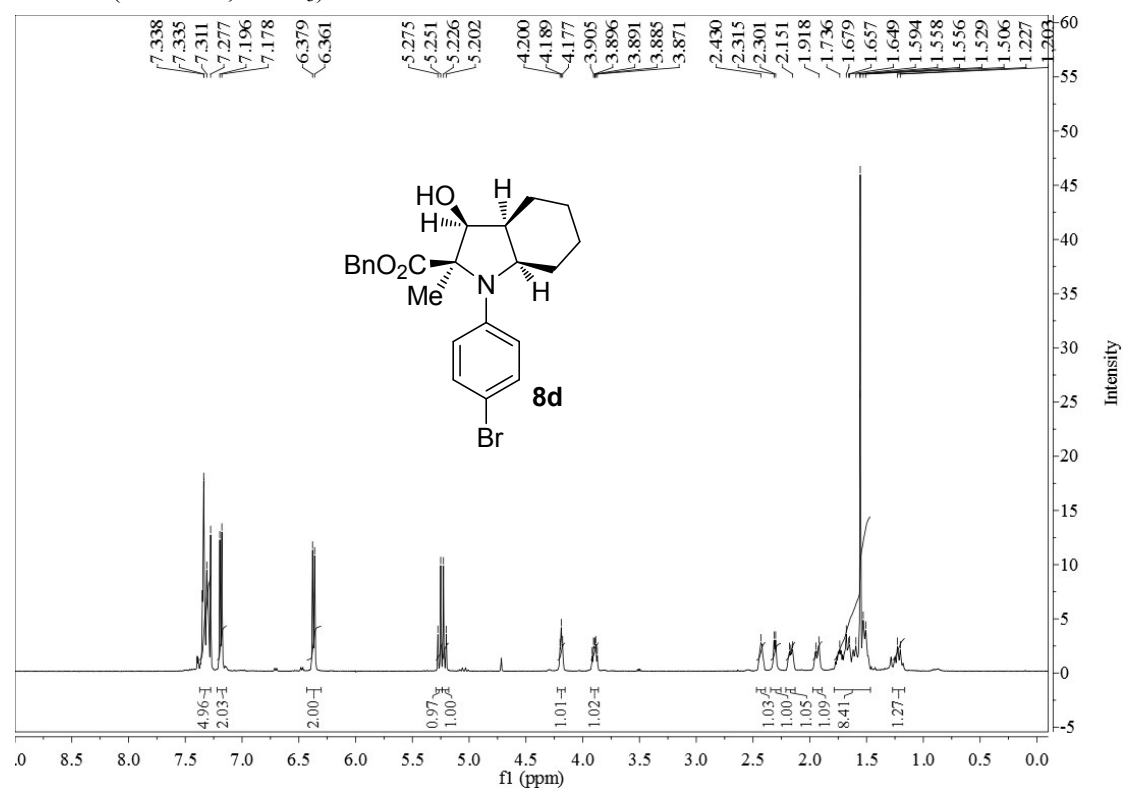


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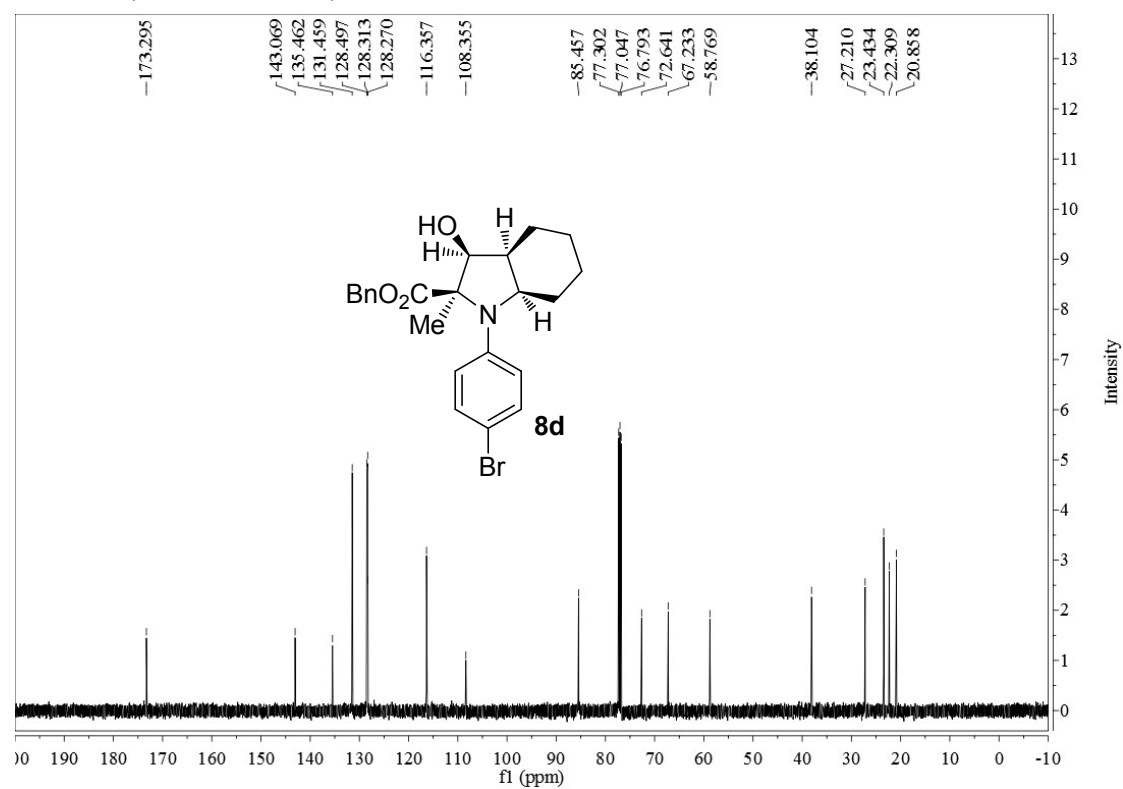


(2*R*,3*S*,3*aS*,7*aR*)-Benzyl 1-(4-Bromophenyl)-3-hydroxy-2-methyloctahydro-1*H*-indole-2-carboxylate (8d).

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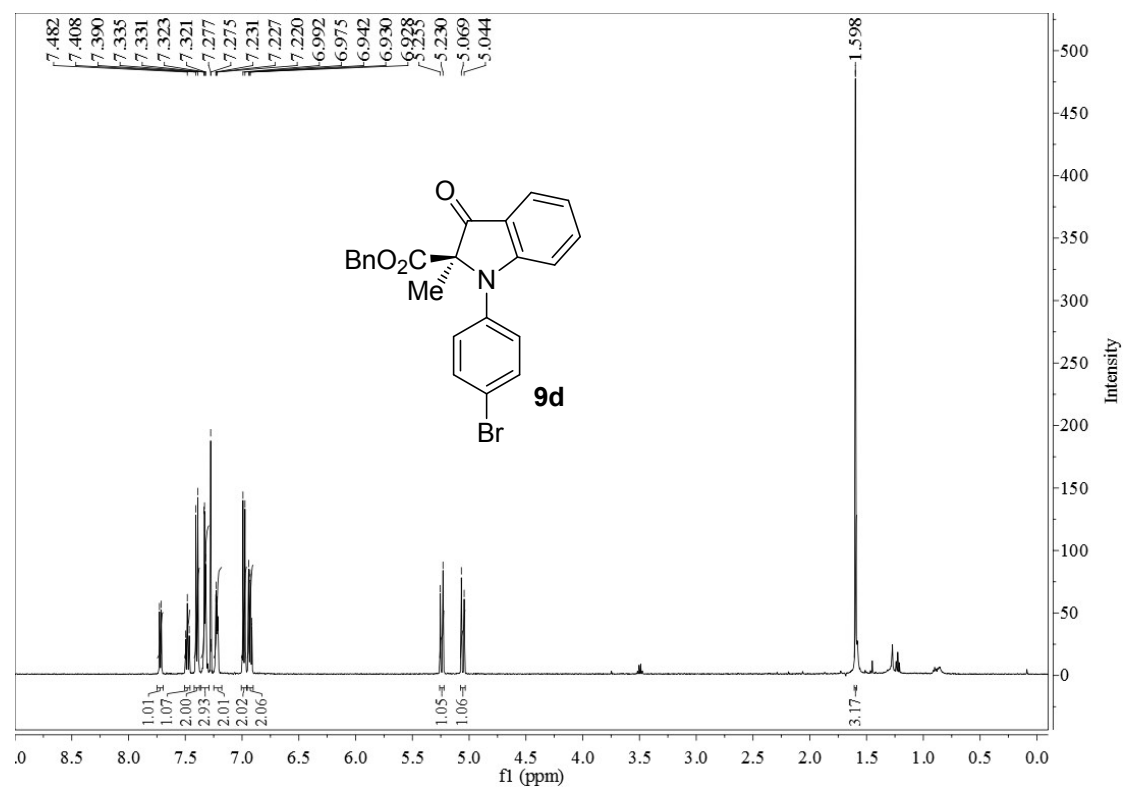


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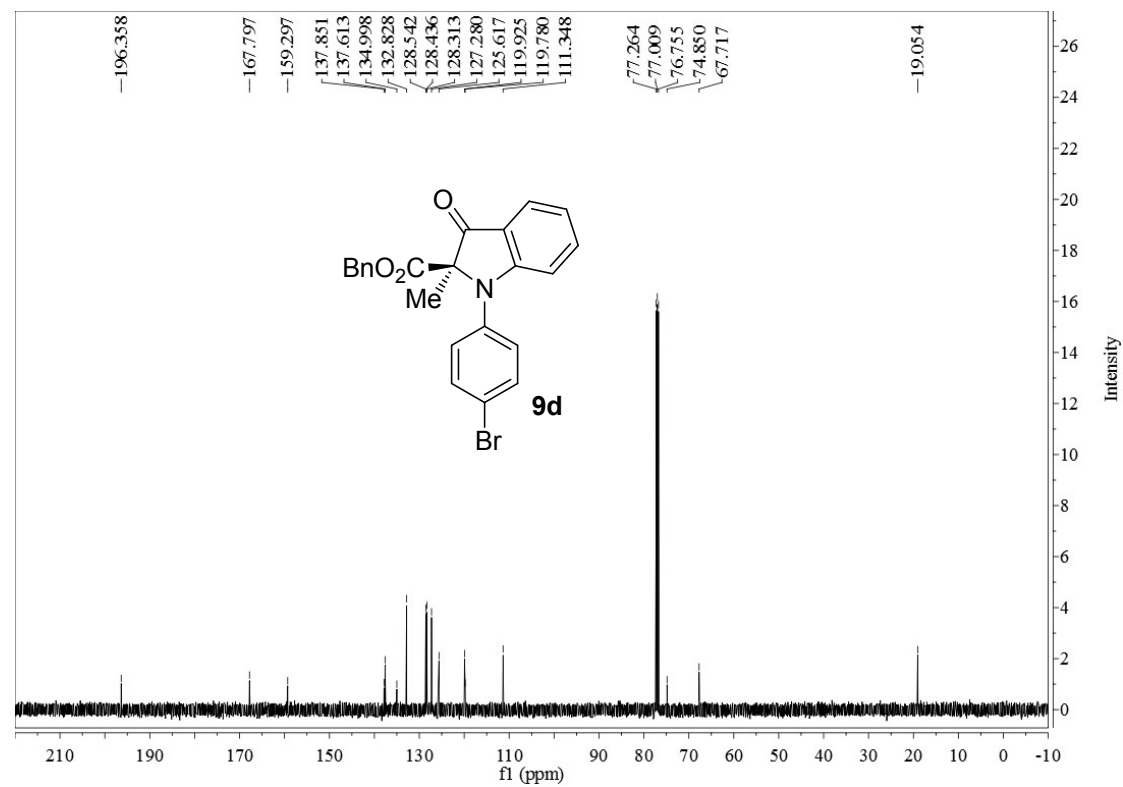


(R)-Benzyl 1-(4-Bromophenyl)-2-methyl-3-oxindoline-2-carboxylate (9d).

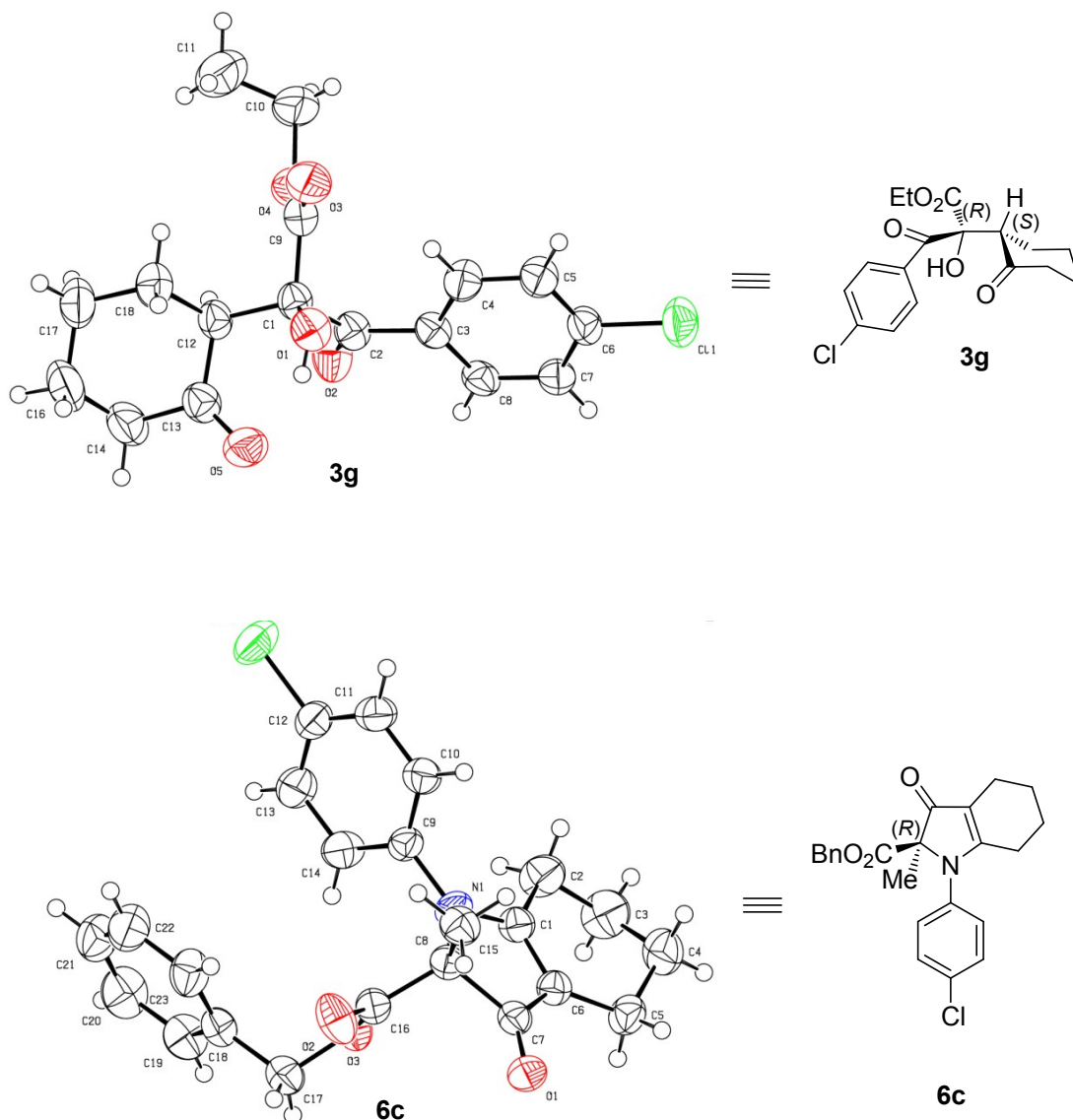
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¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃)



Crystallographic datas for compound **3g** and **6c**



Single crystals of **3g** ($C_{17}H_{19}ClO_5$) and **6c** ($C_{23}H_{22}ClNO_3$) were prepared by slow evaporation of ethyl ether and hexane. Suitable colorless prism-like crystals of both compounds, with dimensions of 0.50 x 0.47 x 0.30 mm and 0.50 x 0.40 x 0.23 mm, respectively, were mounted in epoxy onto glass fibers. The data were collected at 293(2) K using a Rigaku AFC12/Saturn 724 CCD fitted with Mo $K\alpha$ radiation ($\lambda = 0.71073$ Å). Data collection and unit cell refinement were performed using *Crystal Clear* software.¹ The total number of data were measured in the range $4.6 < 2\theta < 50.1^\circ$ using ω scans. Data processing and absorption correction, giving minimum and maximum transmission factors (0.512, 1.000 and 0.872, 1.000, respectively), were accomplished with *Crystal Clear* and *ABSCOR*,² respectively. The structure, using Olex2,³ was solved with the ShelXT⁴ structure solution program using direct methods and refined (on F^2) with the ShelXL⁵

refinement package using full-matrix, least-squares techniques. All non-hydrogen atoms were refined with anisotropic displacement parameters. All hydrogen atom positions were determined by geometry and refined by a riding model.

Crystallographic data and Structure Refinement Table

Compound	6c	3g
Empirical formula	C ₂₃ H ₂₂ ClNO ₃	C ₁₇ H ₁₉ ClO ₅
Formula weight	395.86	338.77
Crystal system	orthorhombic	monoclinic
Space Group	<i>P</i> 2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁	<i>C</i> 2
<i>a</i> (Å)	9.258(2)	21.410(6)
<i>b</i> (Å)	9.554(2)	9.115(3)
<i>c</i> (Å)	22.789(5)	8.678(3)
$\alpha(^{\circ})$	90	90
$\beta(^{\circ})$	90	90.827(4)
$\gamma(^{\circ})$	90	90
Volume(Å ³)	2015.8(9)	1693.5(9)
<i>Z</i> , <i>Z'</i>	4,1	4,1
ρ (calc.)	1.304	1.329
λ	0.71075	0.71075
Temp.(K)	293	293
F(000)	832	712
μ (mm ⁻¹)	0.213	0.248
T _{min} , T _{max}	0.512, 1.000	0.872, 1.000
2 θ _{range} ($^{\circ}$)	4.624- 50.484	4.694- 50.096
Reflections Collected	7560	5190
Independent reflections	3718	2420
Completeness	99.0%	98.0%
Data / restraints / parameters	3718/ 0/ 255	2420/ 1/ 210
Observed data [<i>I</i> > 2 σ (<i>I</i>)]	3490	2350
<i>wR</i> (<i>F</i> ² all data)	0.1149	0.0924
<i>R</i> (<i>F</i> obsd data)	0.0421	0.0340
Goodness-of-fit on <i>F</i> ²	1.062	1.050
largest diff. peak and hole, e Å ⁻³	0.20/-0.27	0.20/-0.25

$$wR_2 = \{ \Sigma [w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2] / \Sigma [w(F_o^2)^2] \}^{1/2}$$

$$R_1 = \Sigma ||F_o| - |F_c|| / \Sigma |F_o|$$

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