

Copper-catalyzed, hypervalent iodine mediated C=C bond activation of enaminones for the synthesis of α -keto amides

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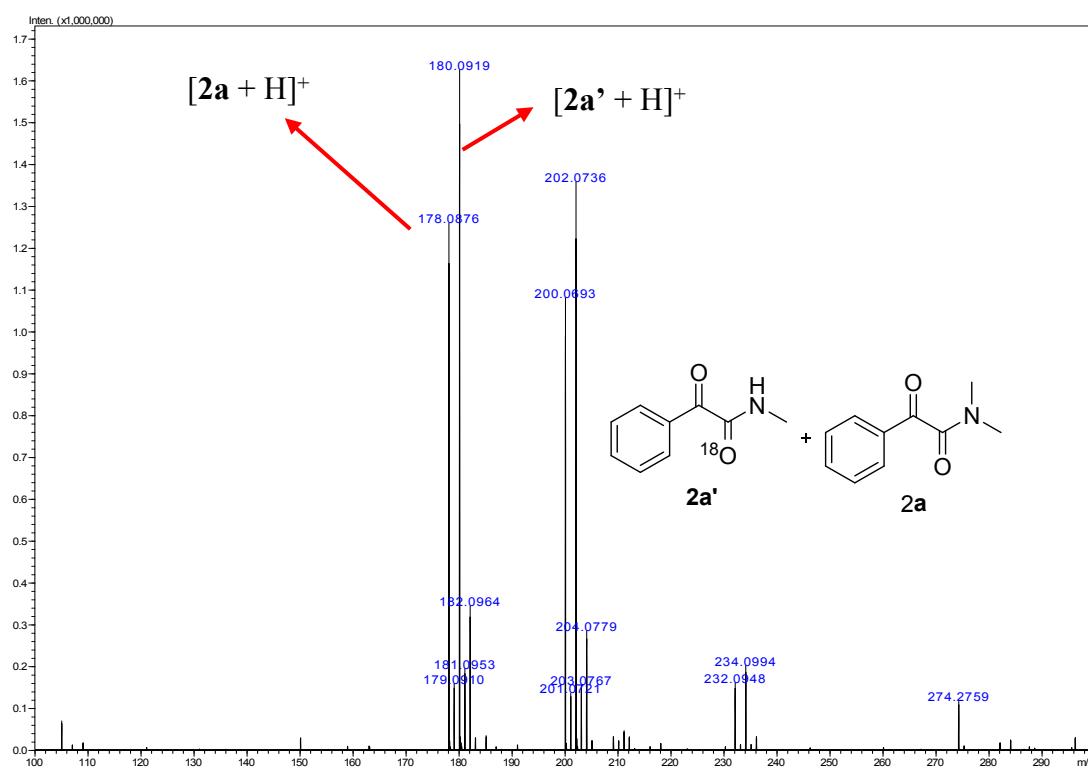
General experimental information

Enaminones **1** were prepared following literature process.¹⁻³ All other chemicals and solvents used in the experiments were acquired from commercial sources and used directly without further treatment. ¹H and ¹³C NMR were recorded in 400 or 600 MHz spectrometer using CDCl₃ as solvent and TMS as internal standard. The chemical shifts were reported in ppm, and the frequencies for ¹H and ¹³C NMR test were 400/600 MHz and 100/150 MHz, respectively. High resolution mass spectrometry (HRMS) data for all new products were obtained under ESI model in a apparatus equipped with TOF analyzer. The melting points were tested with X-4A apparatus without correcting the temperature. Thin-layer chromatography was performed on GF254 plates.

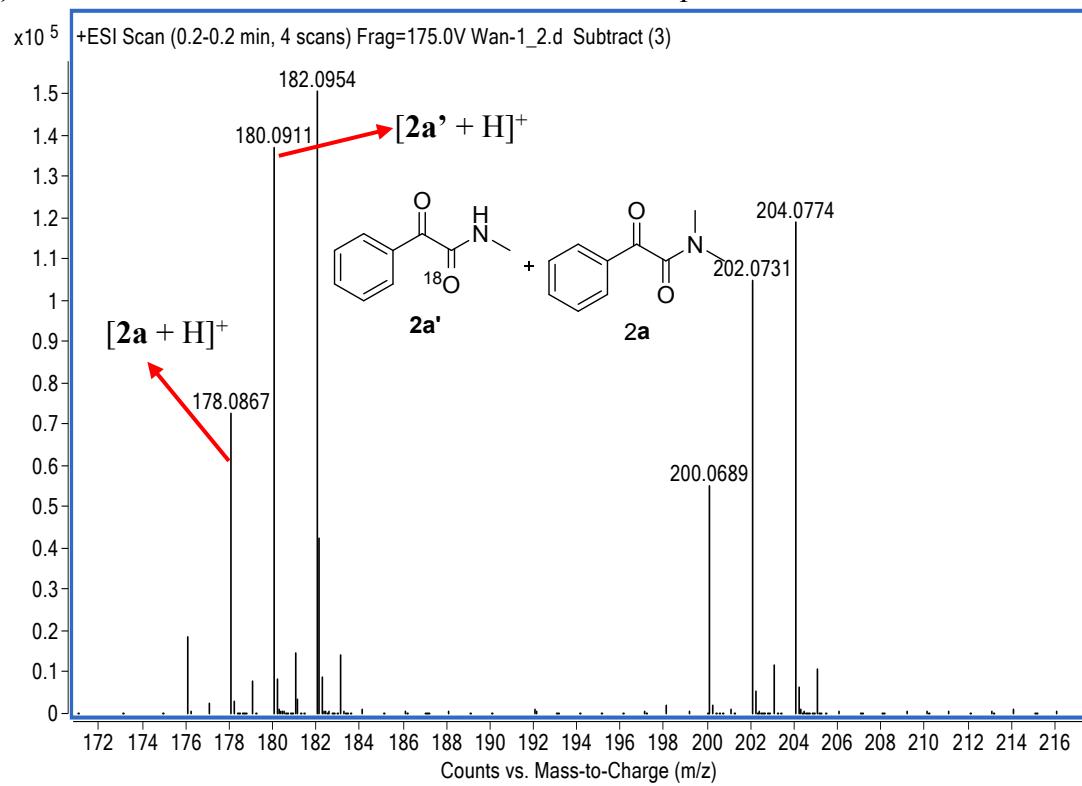
General procedure for the synthesis of α -ketoamides **2**

Enaminone **1** (0.3 mmol), CuI (0.18 mmol) and PhI(AcO)₂ (0.3 mmol) or oxygen balloon (for **2o** and **2p**) were charged in a 25 ml round bottom flask equipped with stirring bar (0.09 mmol morpholine was additionally employed in the synthesis of **2t** and **2u**). DMSO (2 mL) was added and the mixture was stirred at 120 °C under open air for 12 h or 16 h (TLC). After cooling down to room temperature, 5 mL water was added, and the resulting mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate (3 × 8 mL). The organic layers were combined and dried overnight with anhydrous Na₂SO₄. After removing the solvent under reduced pressure, the residue was subjected to silica gel chromatography to provide pure product by using mixed ethyl acetate/petroleum ether as eluent (v/v = 1/4).

HMRS spectra for products $2\mathbf{a}+2\mathbf{a}'$ from the reaction employing H_2^{18}O

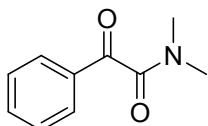


a) The reaction with untreated DMSO under air atmosphere

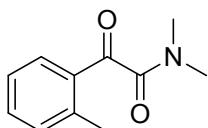


b) The reaction with dry DMSO under nitrogen atmosphere (unlabeled product came from the H_2O mixed in commercial H_2^{18}O and few air because the experiment could not guarantee full moisture-free condition during the operation and long time stirring).

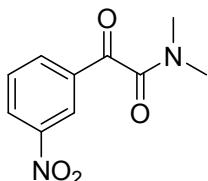
Characterization data of all products



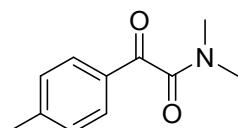
N,N-Dimethyl-2-oxo-2-phenylacetamide (2a).⁴ Yellow oil; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.94 (d, 2 H, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 7.64 (t, 1 H, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.51 (t, 2 H, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 3.11 (s, 3 H), 2.95 (s, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 191.3, 166.6, 134.2, 132.5, 129.1, 128.5, 36.5, 33.4.



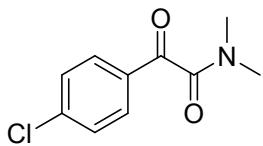
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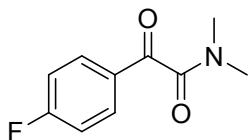
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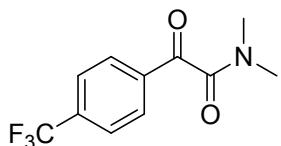
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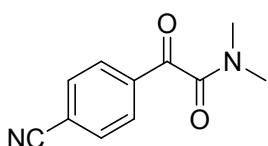
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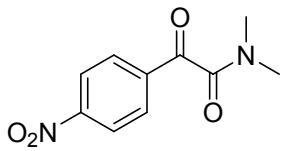
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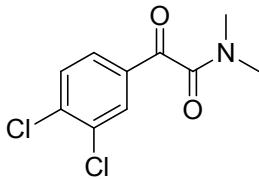
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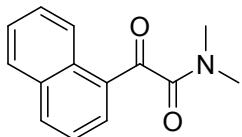
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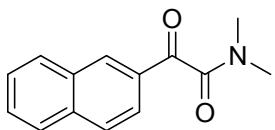
N,N-Dimethyl-2-(4-nitrophenyl)-2-oxoacetamide (2i).⁴ Pale yellow solid; mp.: 135-136 °C [lit. 136-138 °C]; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 8.35 (d, 2 H, J = 9.0 Hz), 8.15 (d, 2 H, J = 8.4 Hz), 3.15 (s, 3 H), 3.01 (s, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 189.8, 166.1, 151.6, 138.1, 131.3, 124.6, 37.6, 34.9.



2-(3,4-Dichlorophenyl)-N,N-dimethyl-2-oxoacetamide (2j). White solid; mp.: 81-82 °C; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 8.04 (d, 1 H, J = 2.4 Hz), 7.79 (d, 1 H, J = 4.2 Hz), 7.60 (d, 1 H, J = 8.4 Hz), 3.13 (s, 3 H), 2.98 (s, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 191.7, 168.5, 142.1, 136.4, 135.4, 134.0, 133.8, 131.2, 39.7, 36.9; ESI-HRMS: Calcd for C₁₀H₉Cl₂NNaO₂ [M+Na]⁺: 267.9903; Found: 267.9921.

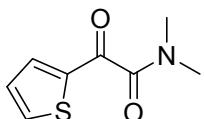


N,N-Dimethyl-2-(naphthalen-1-yl)-2-oxoacetamide (2k).⁴ Pale yellow oil; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 9.25 (d, 1 H, J = 8.4 Hz), 8.10 (d, 1 H, J = 7.8 Hz), 7.99 (d, 1 H, J = 7.8 Hz), 7.90 (d, 1 H, J = 7.8 Hz), 7.68 (t, 1 H, J = 7.2 Hz), 7.58 (t, 1 H, J = 7.2 Hz), 7.53 (d, 1 H, J = 7.8 Hz), 3.14 (s, 3 H), 3.00 (s, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 196.9, 170.3, 138.5, 137.0, 136.7, 133.6, 131.9, 131.4, 131.1, 129.6, 128.4, 127.2, 39.8, 36.8.

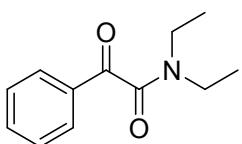


N,N-Dimethyl-2-(naphthalen-2-yl)-2-oxoacetamide (2l).⁵ Pale yellow solid; mp.: 112-113 °C [lit. 112-114 °C] ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 8.44 (s, 1 H), 8.00 (d, 1 H, J = 8.4 Hz), 7.97 (d, 1 H, J = 7.8 Hz), 7.93 (d, 1 H, J = 9.0 Hz), 7.88 (d, 1 H, J =

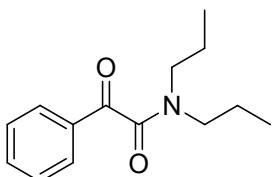
7.8 Hz), 7.64 (dd, 1 H, J = 7.2 Hz, 1.2 Hz), 7.56 (t, 1 H., J = 7.8 Hz), 3.17(s, 3 H), 2.99 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl_3) δ = 194.5, 169.8, 139.0, 135.6, 135.1, 133.1, 132.5, 132.0, 131.7, 130.6, 129.8, 126.3, 39.8, 36.8.



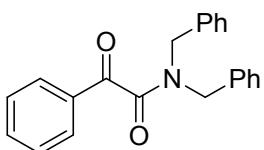
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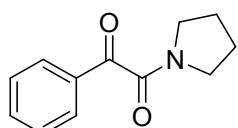
***N,N*-Diethyl-2-oxo-2-phenylacetamide (2n).**⁴ Yellow oil; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ = 7.94 (d, 2 H, J = 8.0 Hz), 7.64 (t, 1 H, J = 7.2 Hz), 7.51 (t, 2 H, J = 8.0 Hz), 3.57 (q, 2 H, J = 7.2 Hz), 3.24 (q, 2 H, J = 7.2 Hz), 1.29 (t, 3 H, J = 7.2 Hz), 1.15 (t, 3 H, J = 7.2 Hz); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ = 191.6, 166.8, 134.6, 133.2, 129.6, 129.0, 42.1, 38.8, 14.1, 12.8.



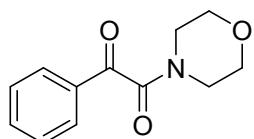
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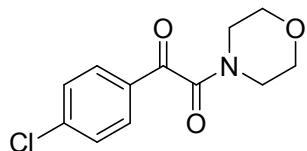
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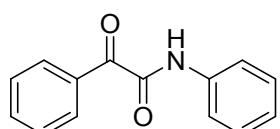
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1-Morpholino-2-phenylethane-1,2-dione (2r).⁴ Yellow oil; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.97 (d, 2 H, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 7.66 (t, 1 H, *J* = 7.8 Hz), 7.53 (t, 2 H, *J* = 7.8 Hz), 3.80 (s, 4 H), 3.66 (t, 2 H, *J* = 4.8 Hz), 3.39 (t, 2 H, *J* = 4.8 Hz); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 193.8, 168.1, 137.6, 135.7, 132.3, 131.7, 69.4, 69.3, 48.9, 44.3.

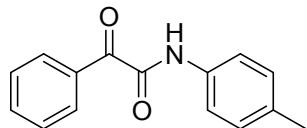


1-(4-Chlorophenyl)-2-morpholinoethane-1,2-dione (2s).⁵ Yellow gummy compound; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.91 (d, 2 H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.50 (d, 2 H, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 3.79 (s, 4 H), 3.66 (t, 2 H, *J* = 4.0 Hz), 3.39 (t, 2 H, *J* = 4.0 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 189.7, 164.9, 141.6, 131.5, 131.0, 129.5, 66.7, 66.6, 46.3, 41.7.



2-Oxo-N-2-diphenylacetamide (2t).⁸ Yellow solid; mp.: 44-45 °C [lit. 43-45 °C]; ¹H

NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 8.98 (s, 1 H), 8.40 (d, 2 H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.71-7.63 (m, 3 H), 7.50 (t, 2 H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.39 (t, 2 H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.19 (t, 1 H, *J* = 7.2 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 187.5, 158.9, 136.7, 134.6, 133.1, 131.5, 129.2, 128.5, 125.3, 120.0.



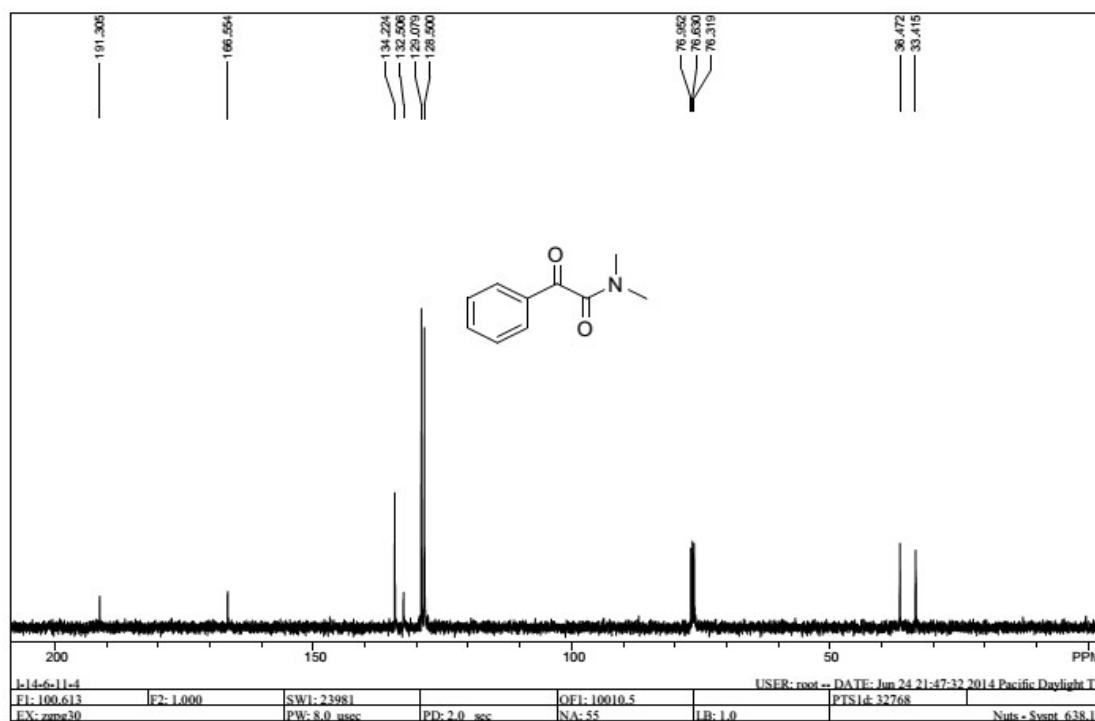
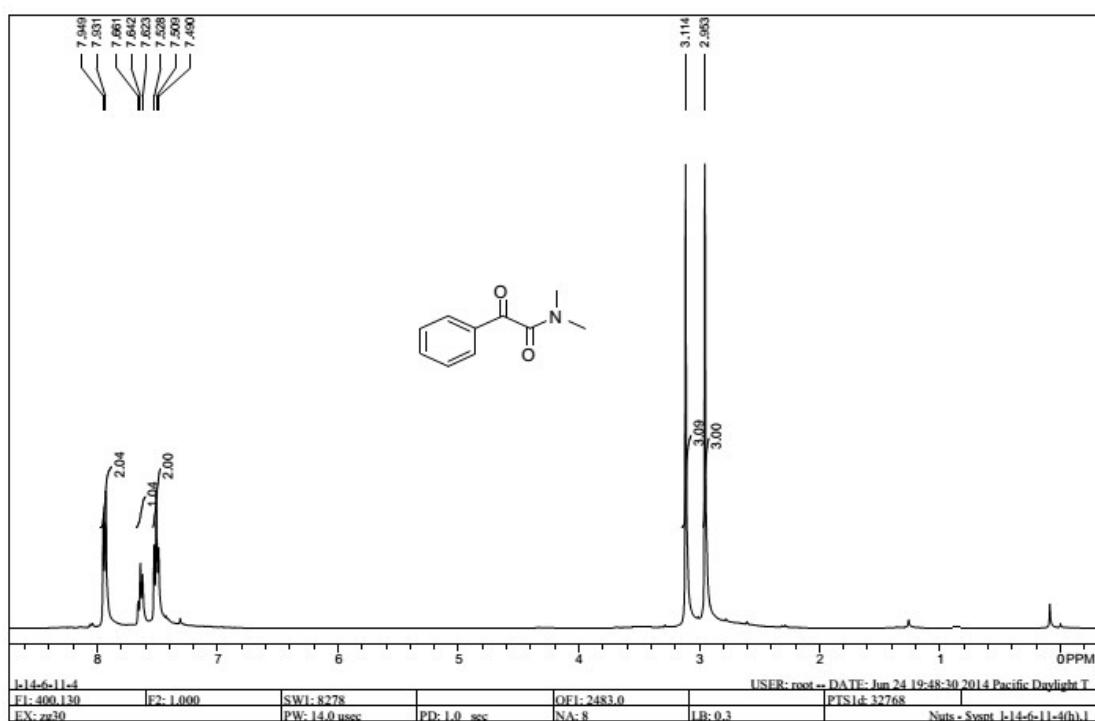
2-oxo-2-phenyl-N-p-tolylacetamide (2u).⁸ Pale yellow solid; mp.: 114-115 °C [lit. 114.5-116.4 °C]; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 8.91 (s, 1 H), 8.41 (d, 2 H, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 7.65 (t, 1 H, *J* = 8.8 Hz), 7.59 (d, 2 H, *J* = 8.8 Hz), 7.50 (t, 2 H, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.20 (t, 2 H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 2.35 (s, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 187.5, 158.8, 135.1, 134.6, 134.2, 133.2, 131.5, 129.7, 128.5, 119.9, 21.0.

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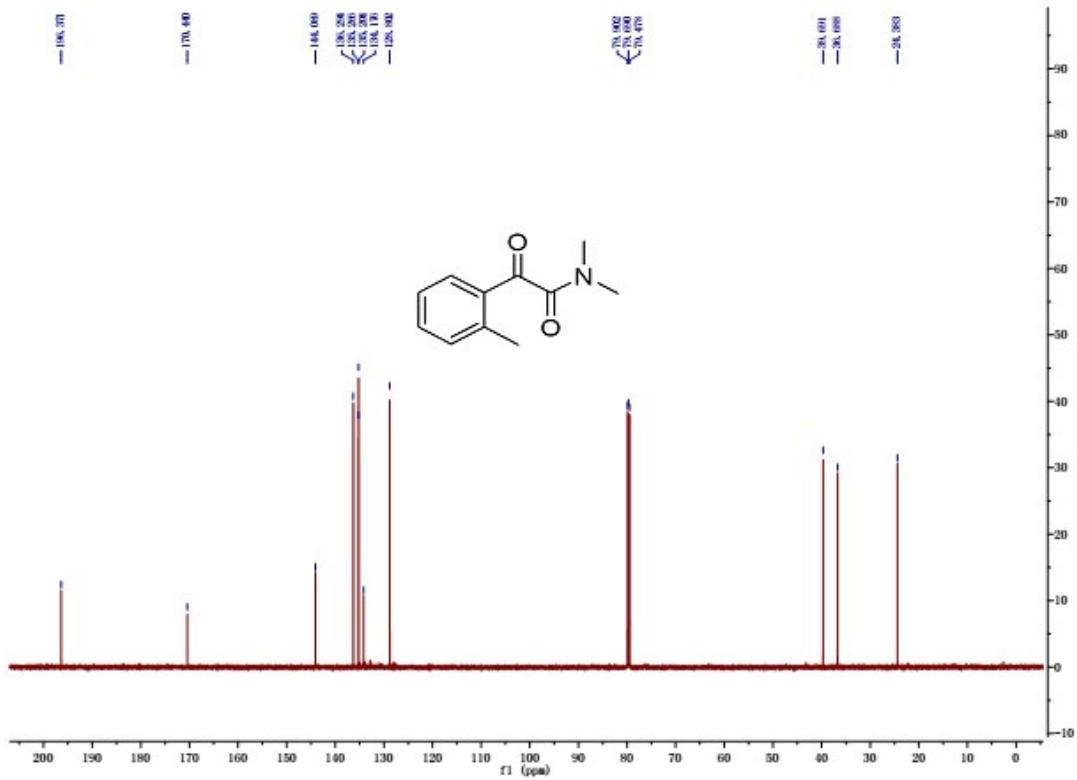
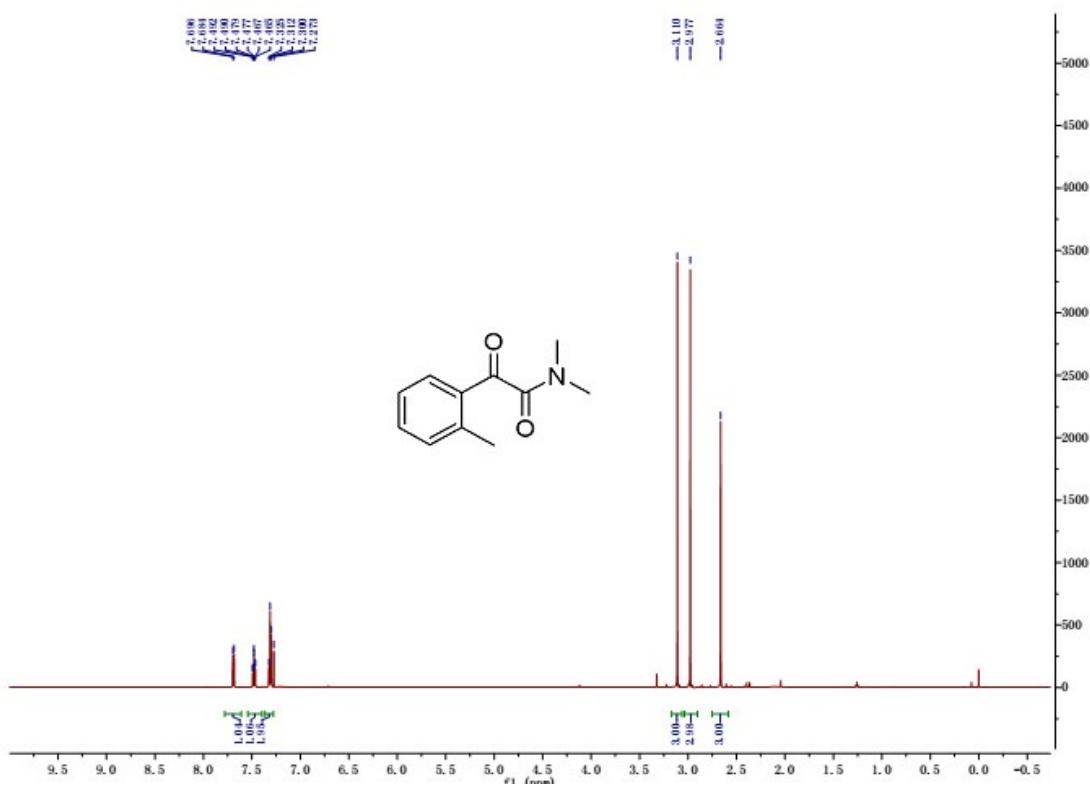
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¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of all products

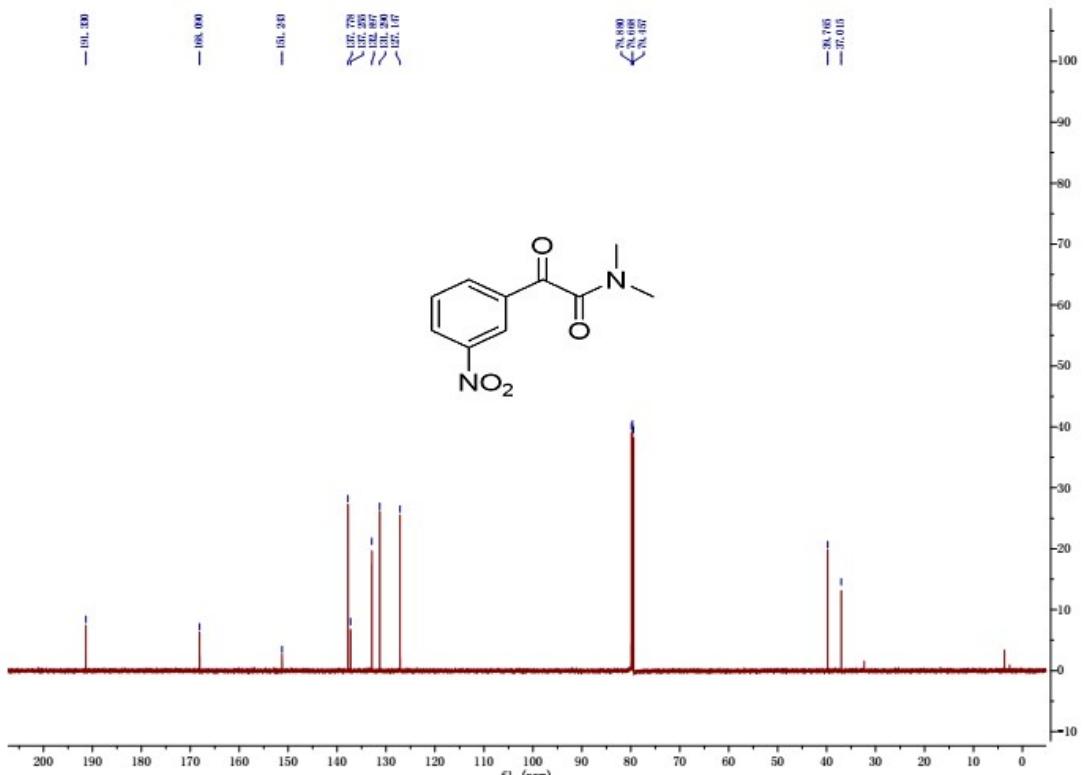
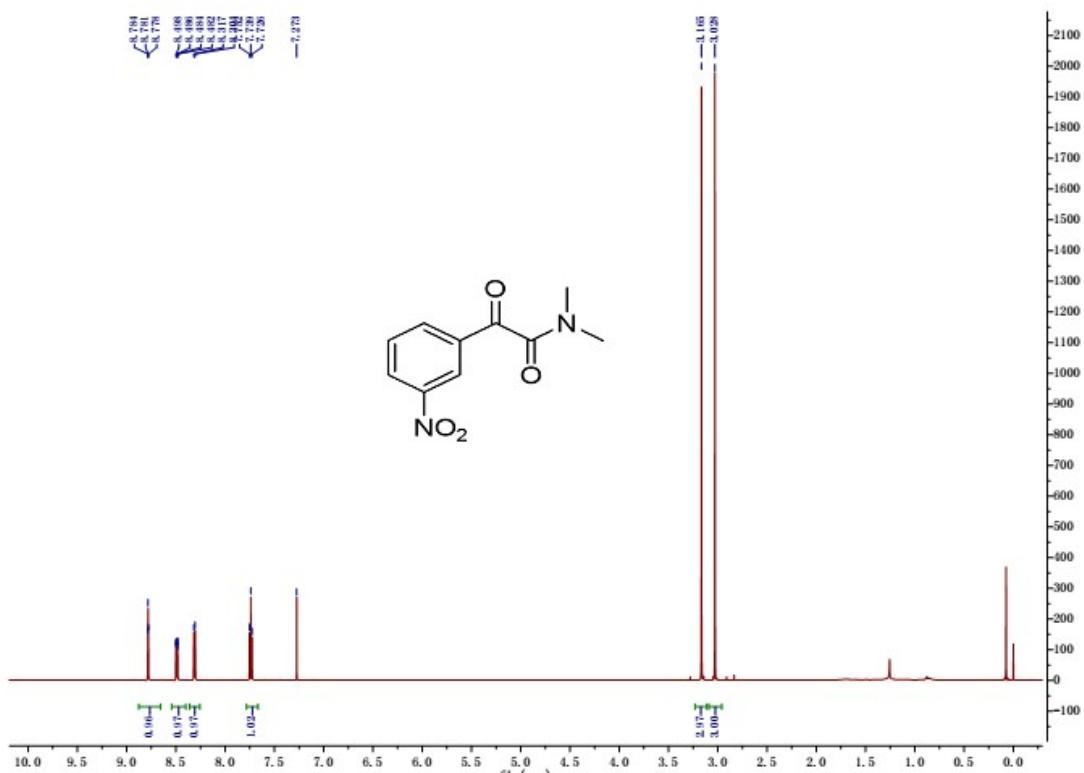
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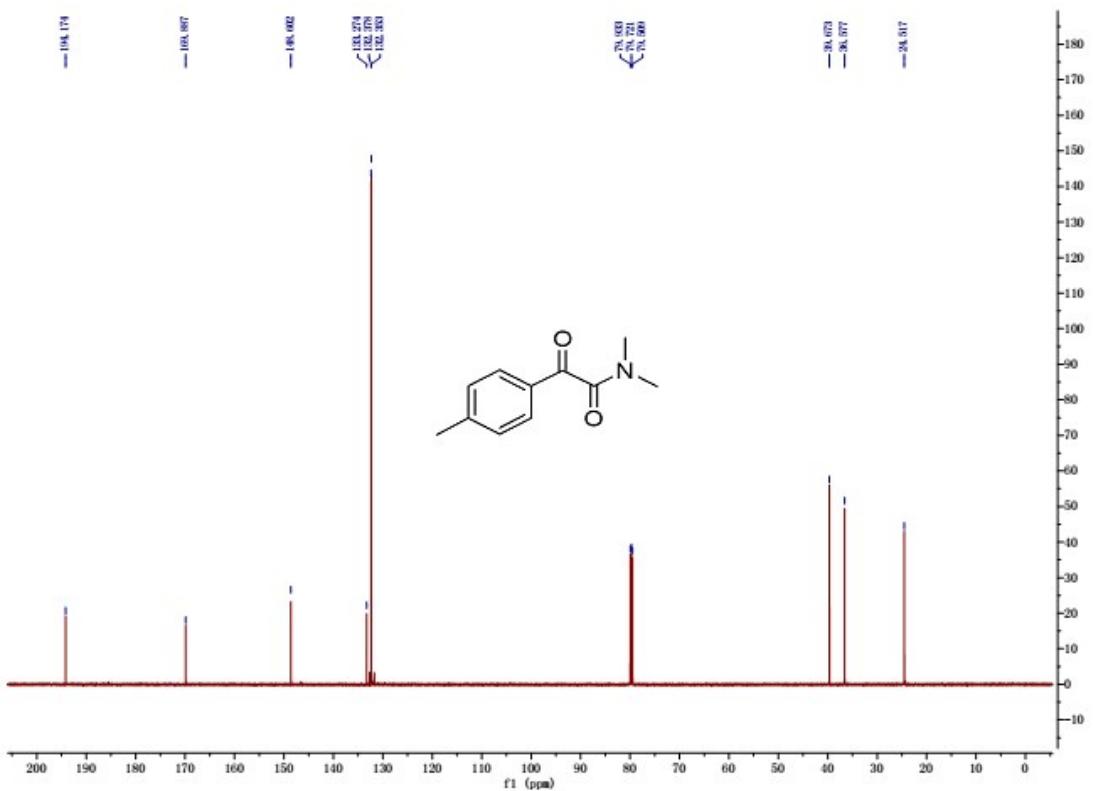
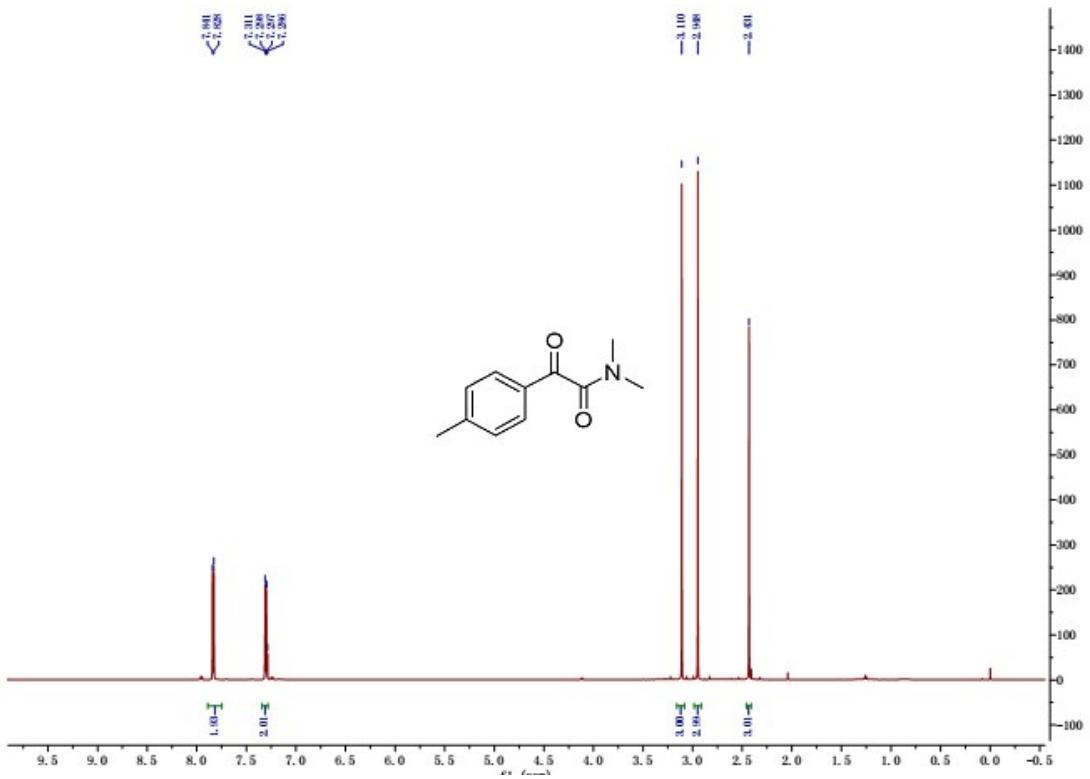
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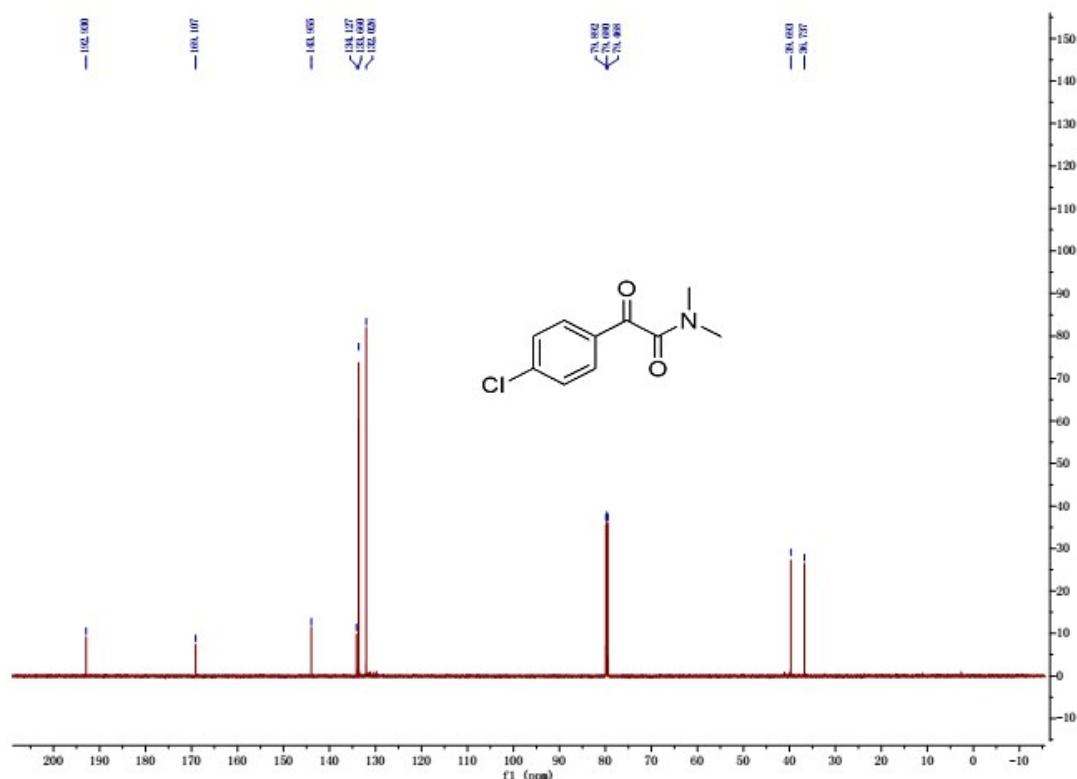
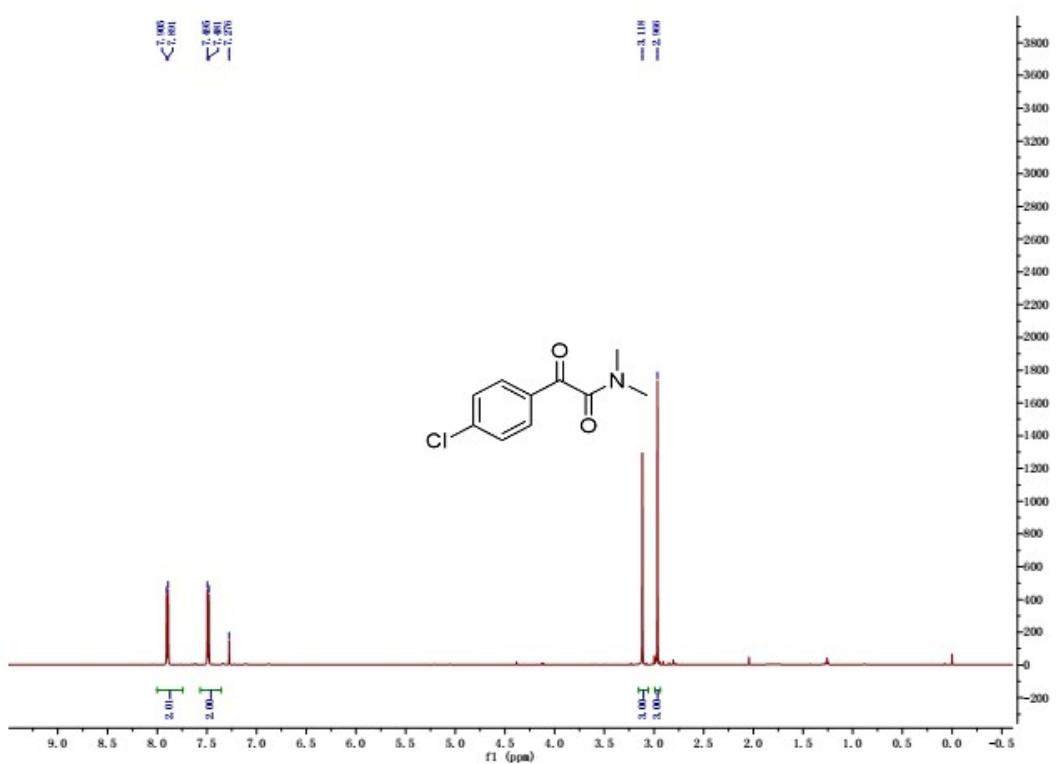
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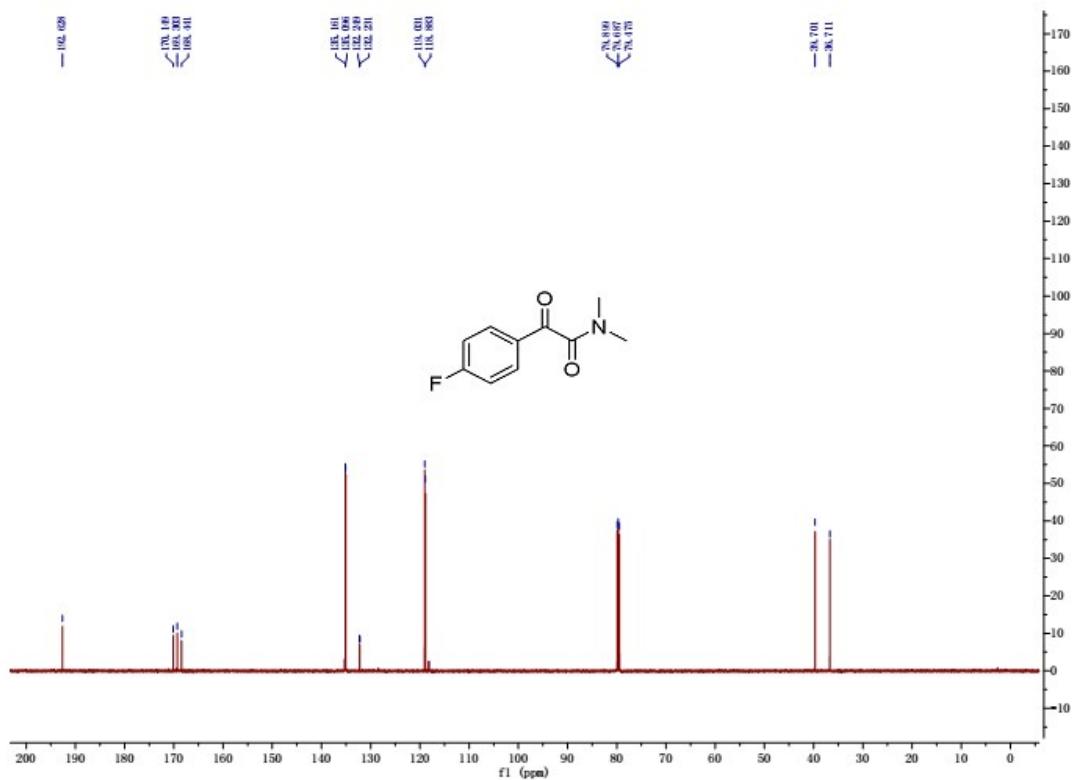
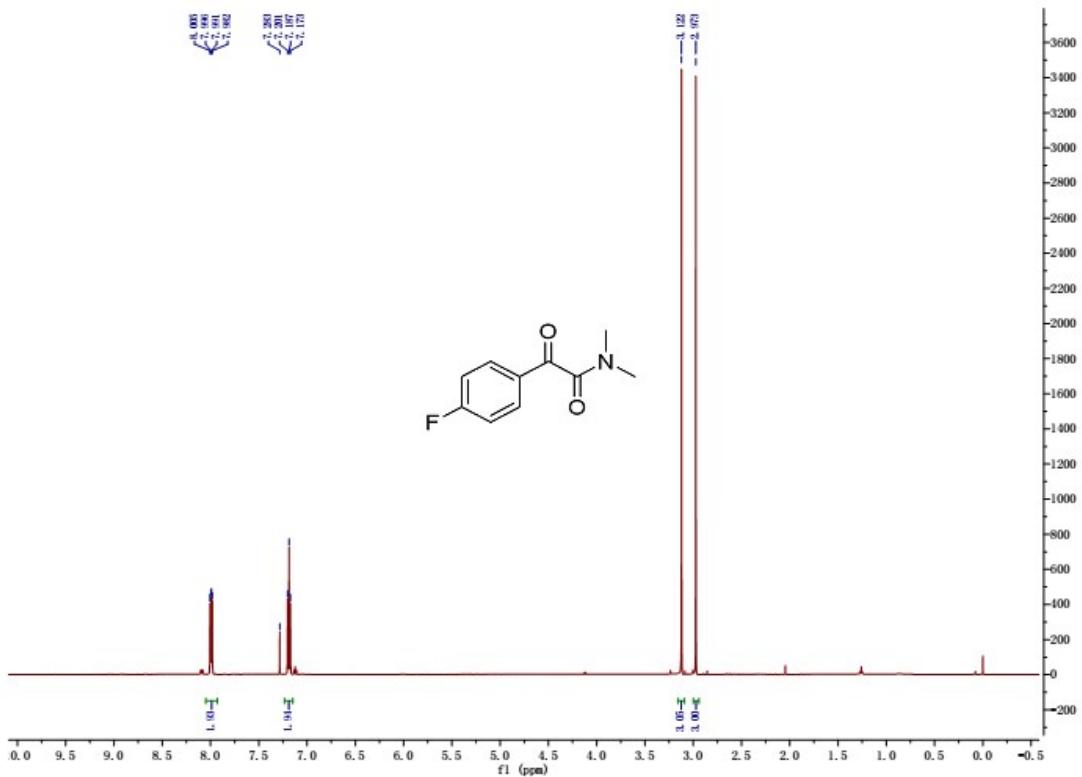
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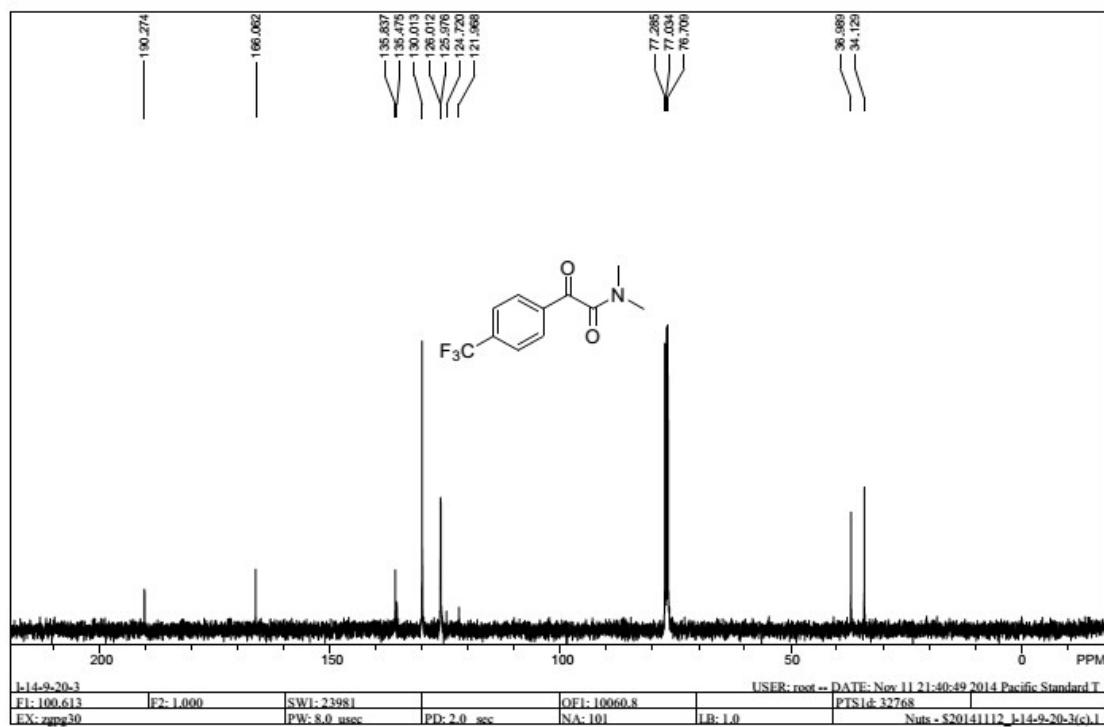
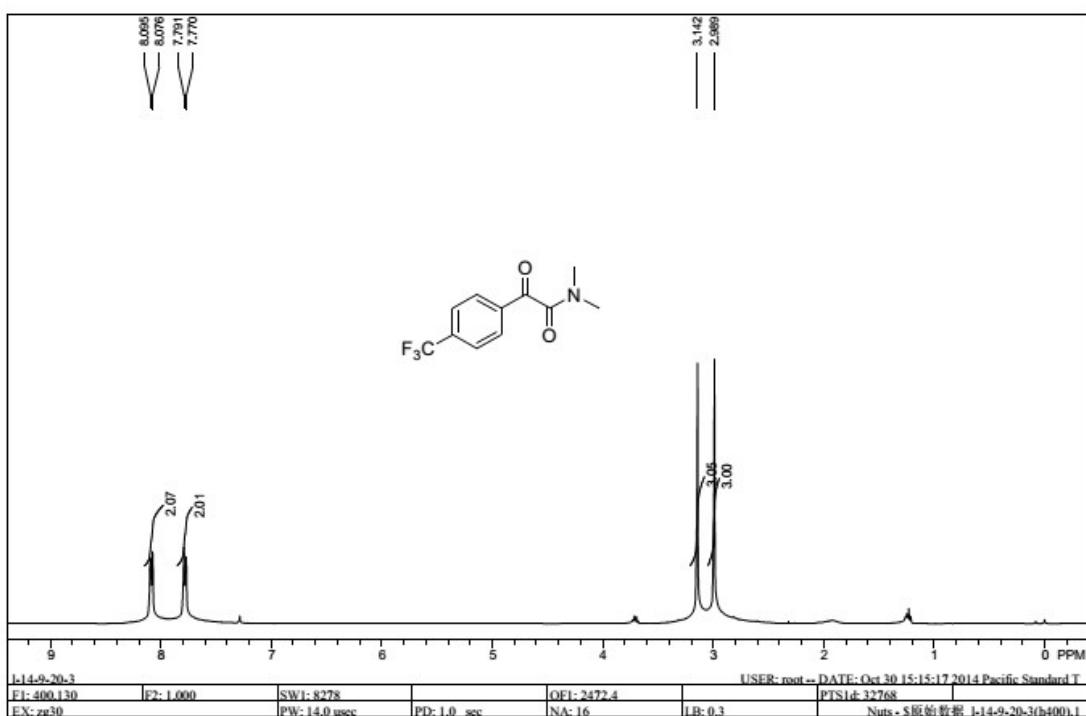
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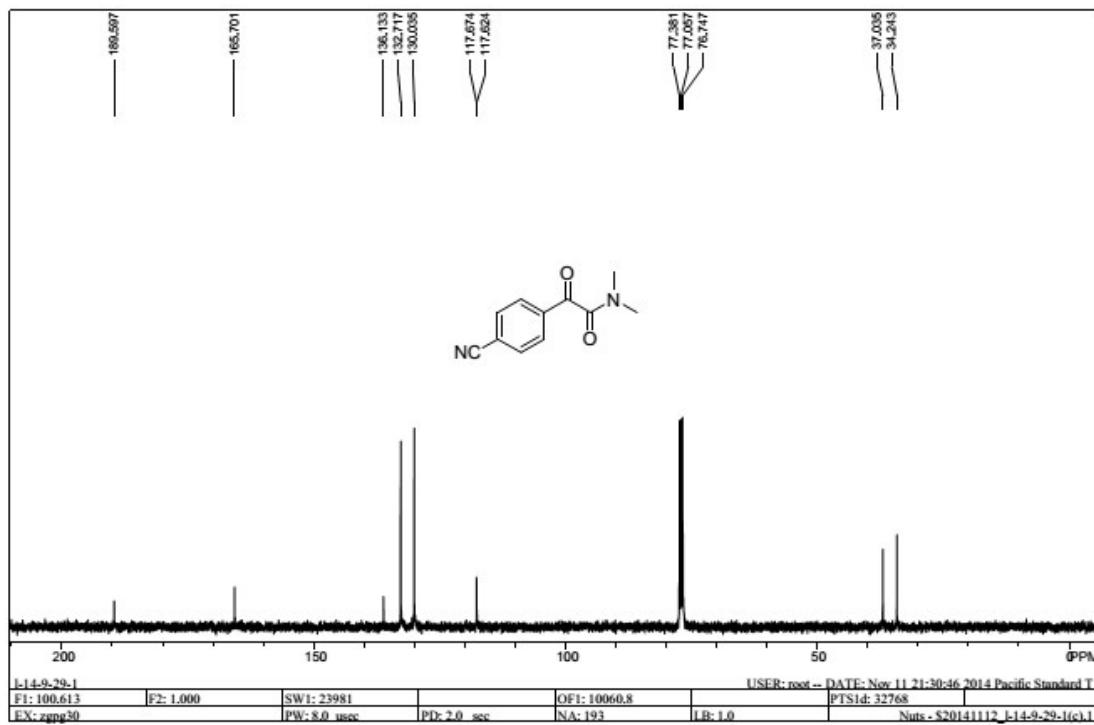
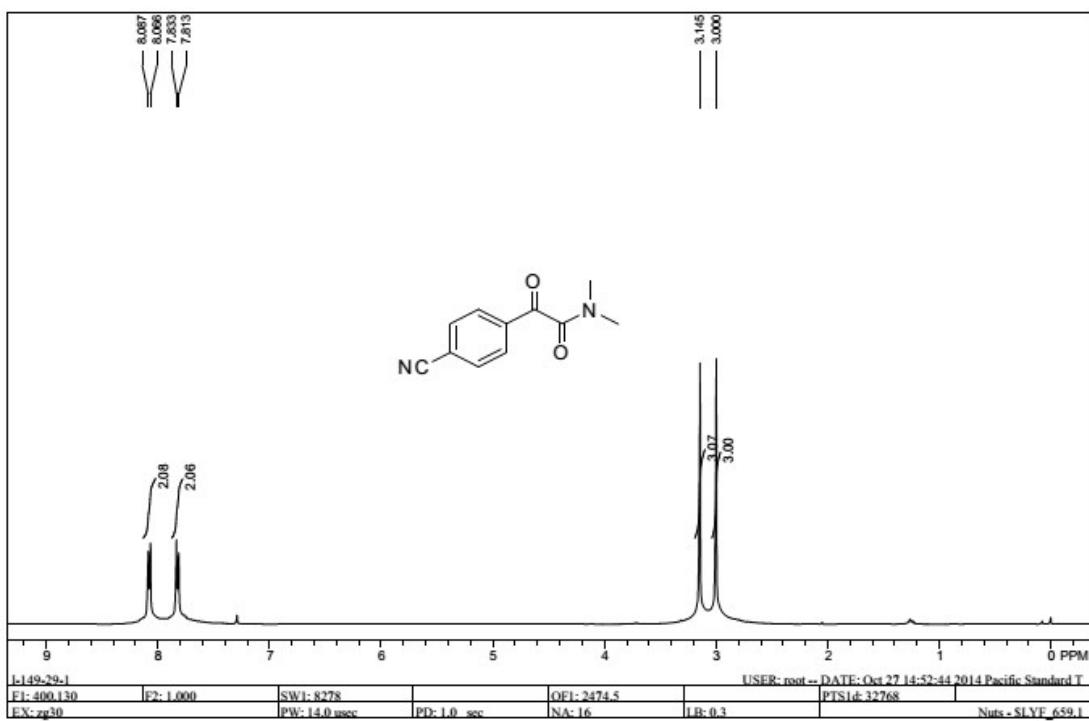
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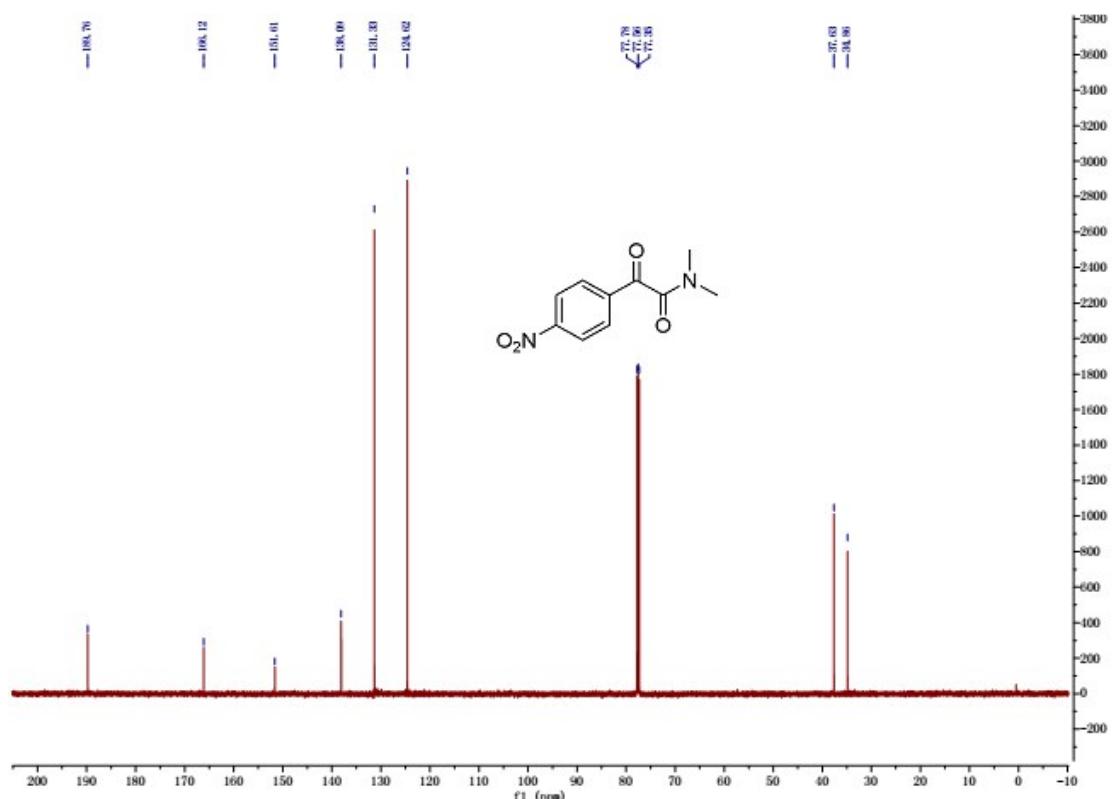
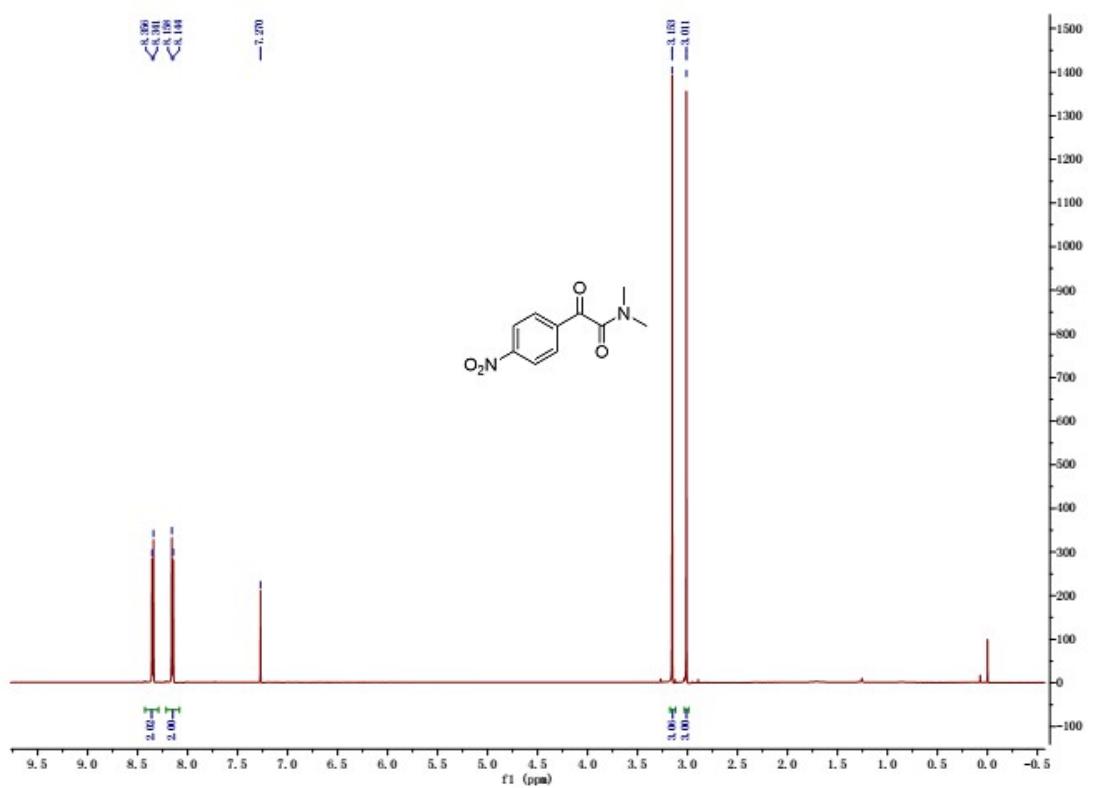
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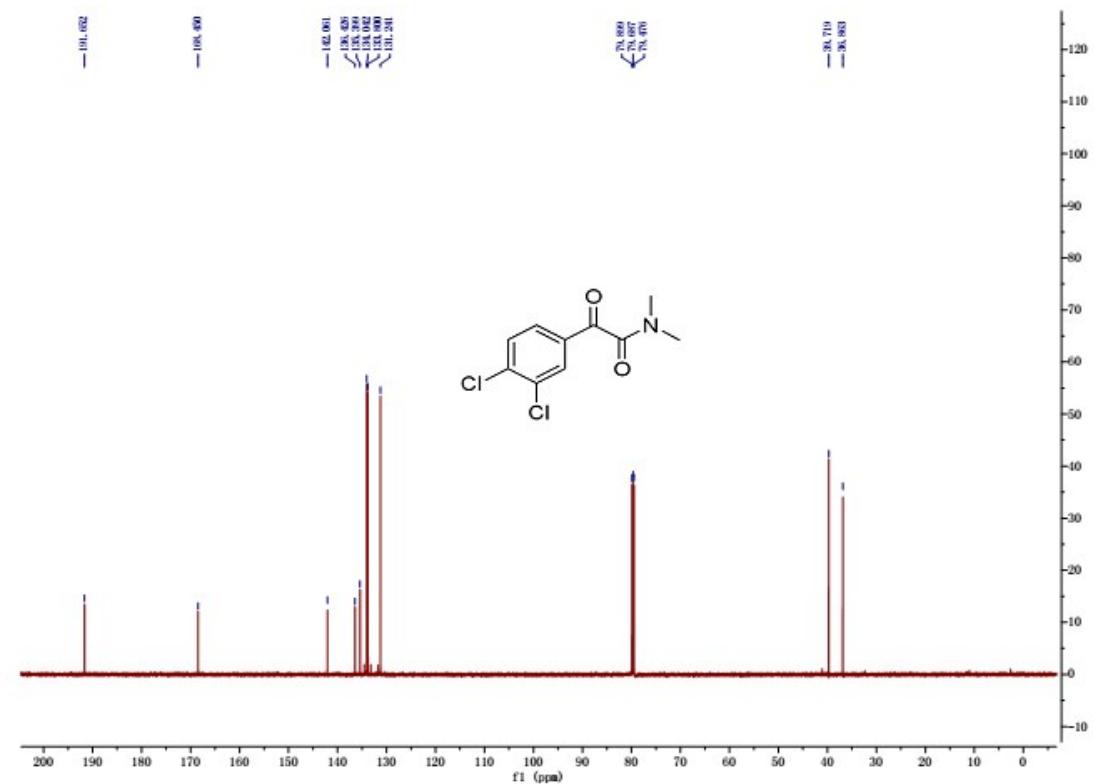
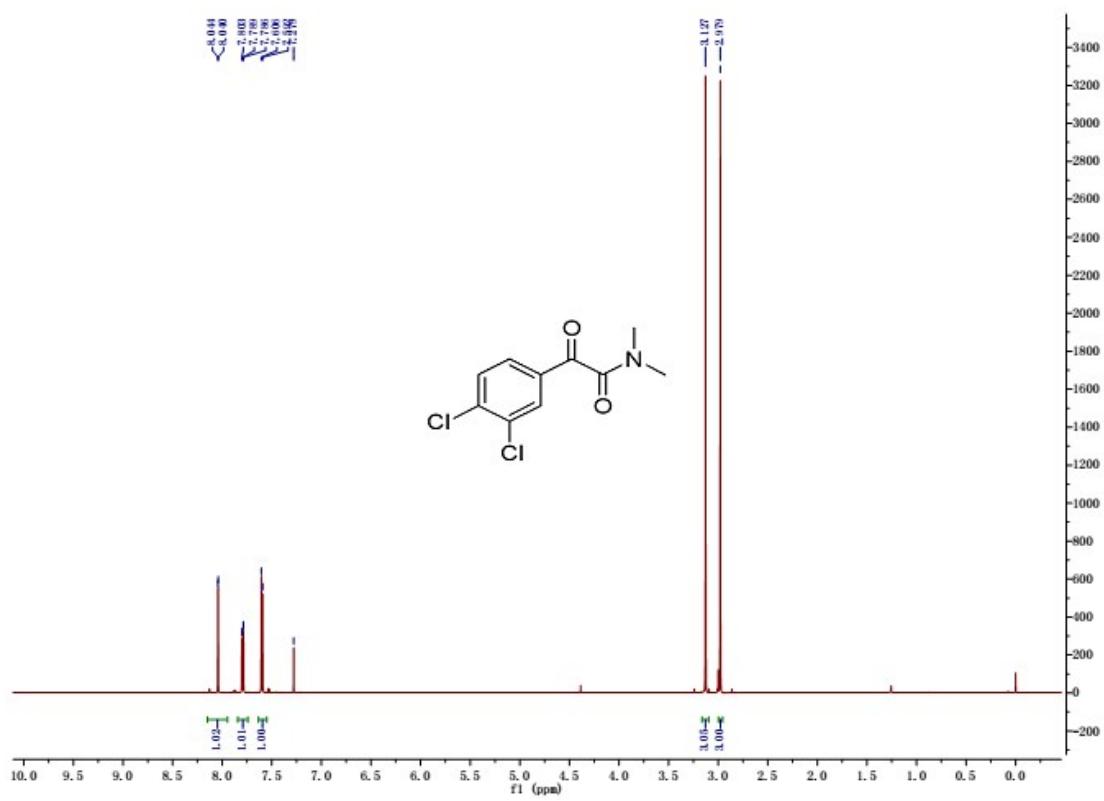
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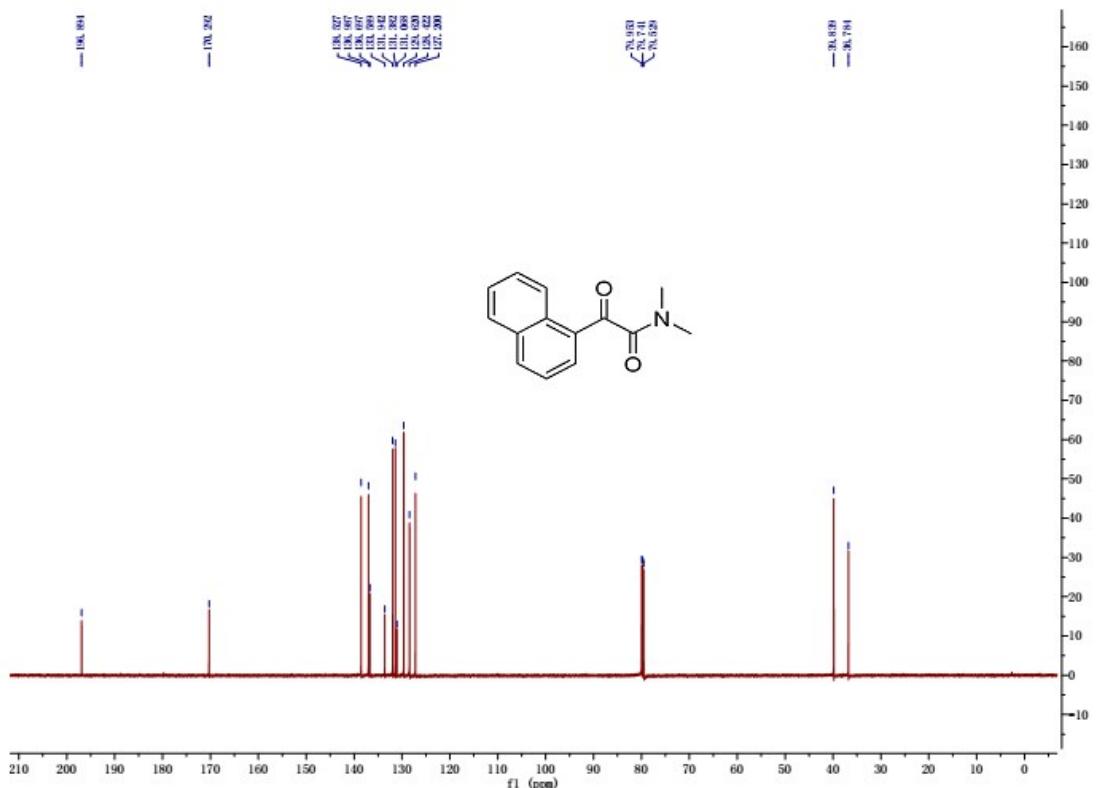
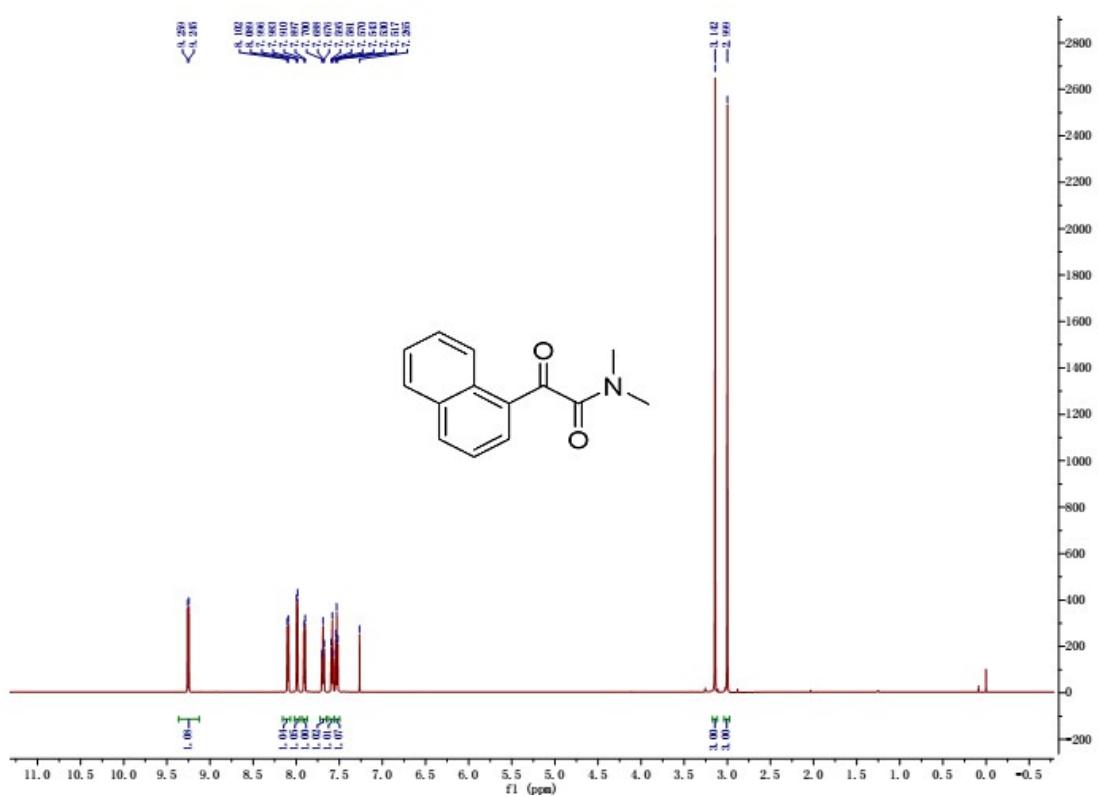
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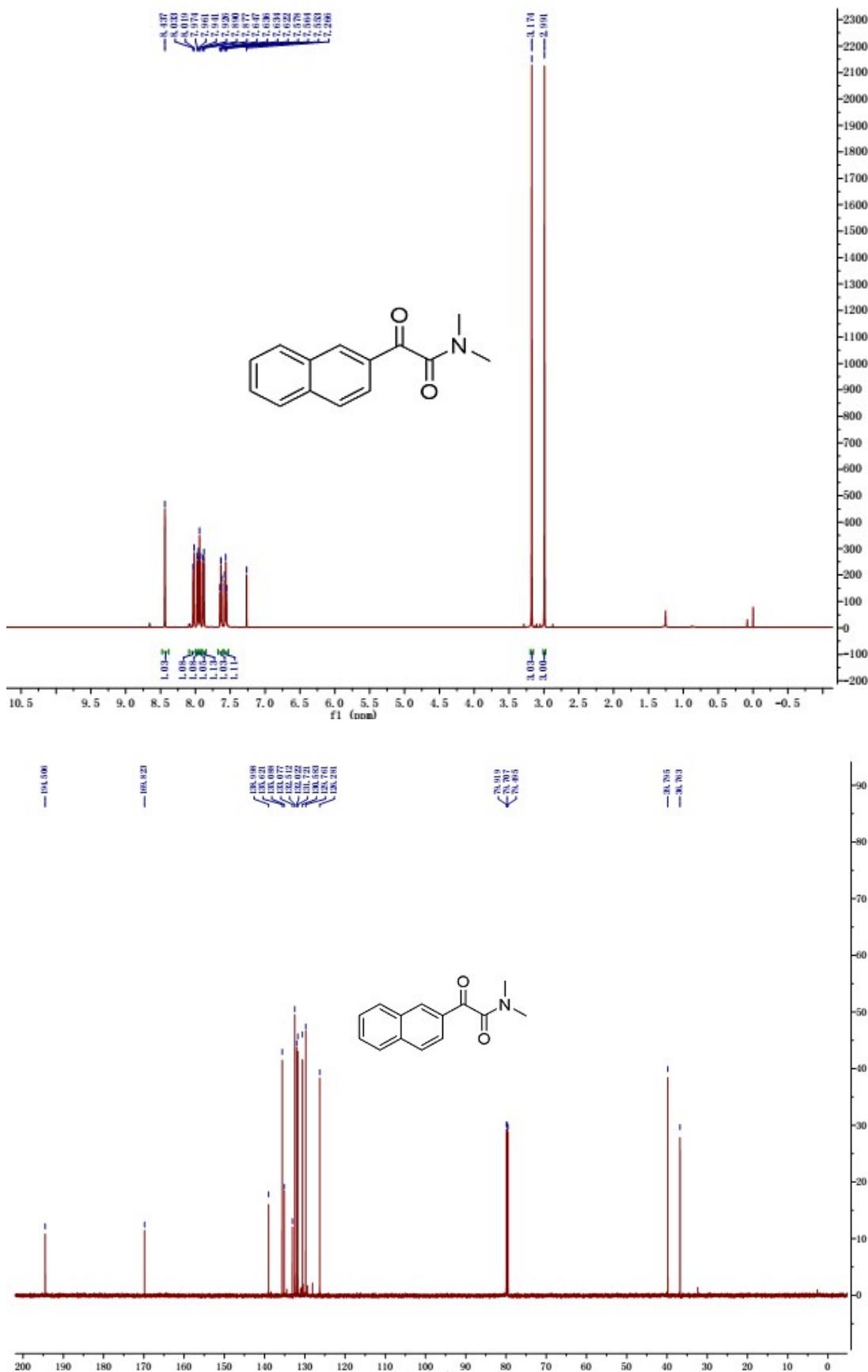
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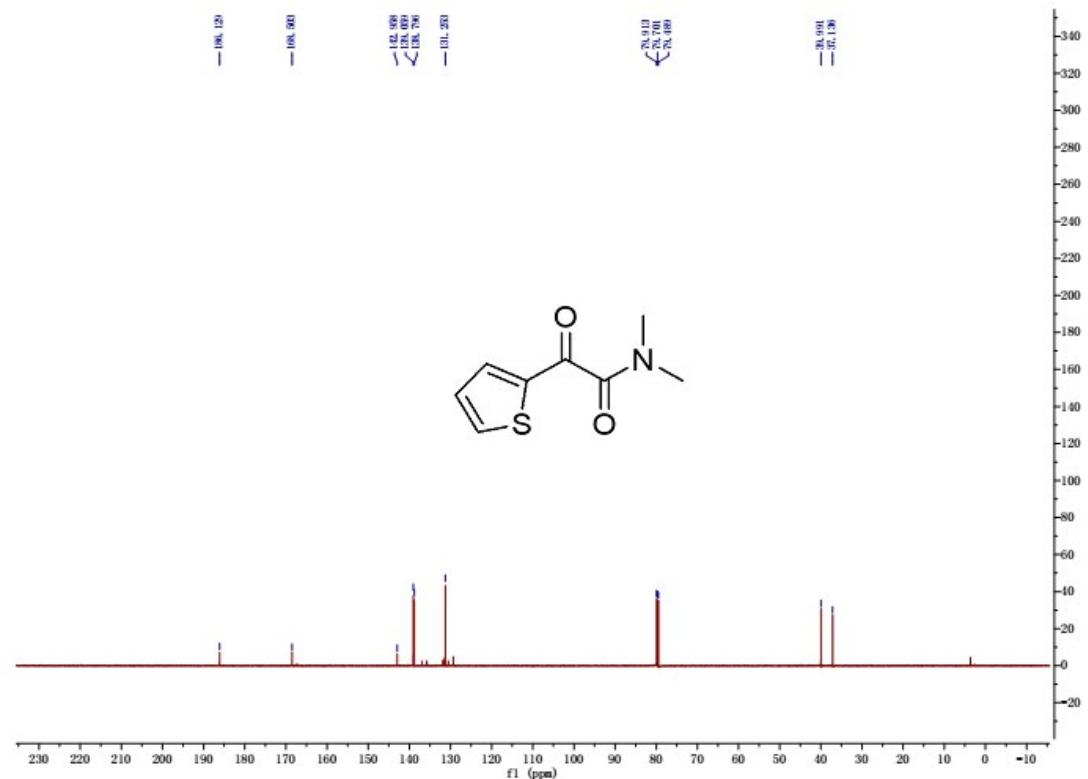
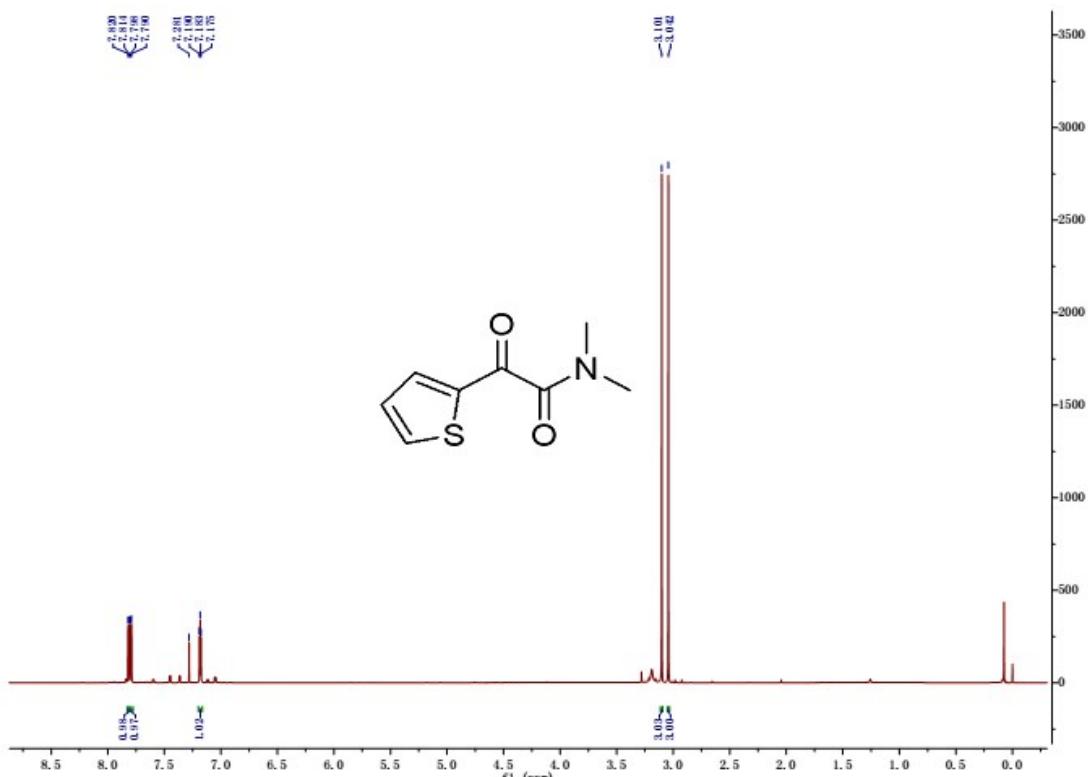
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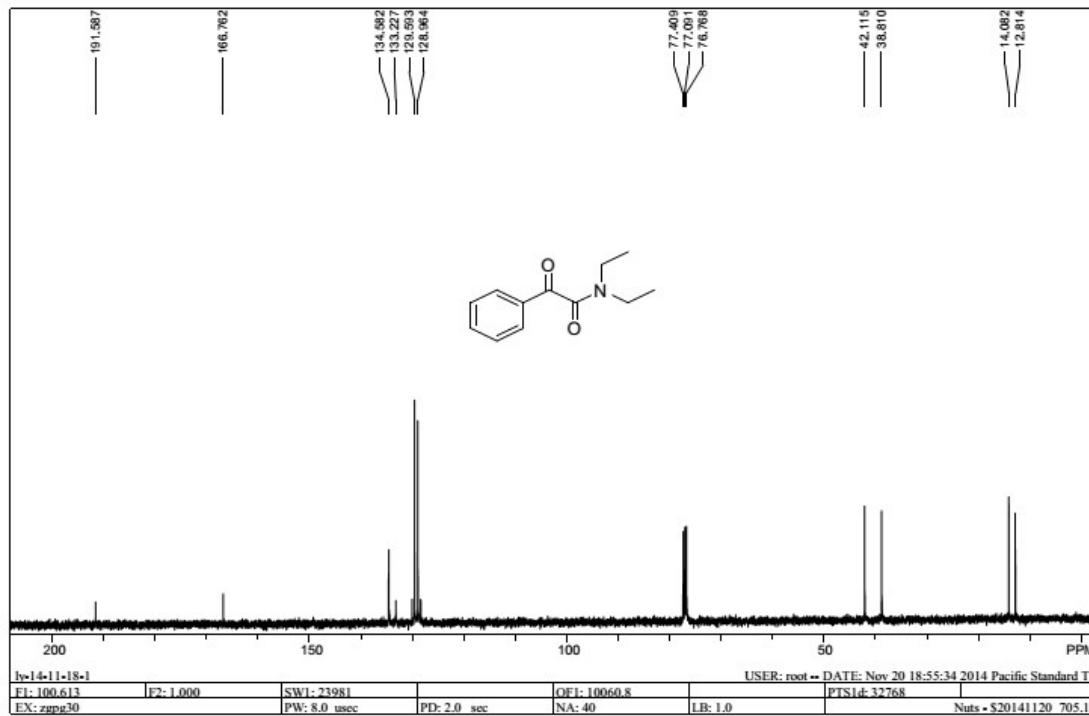
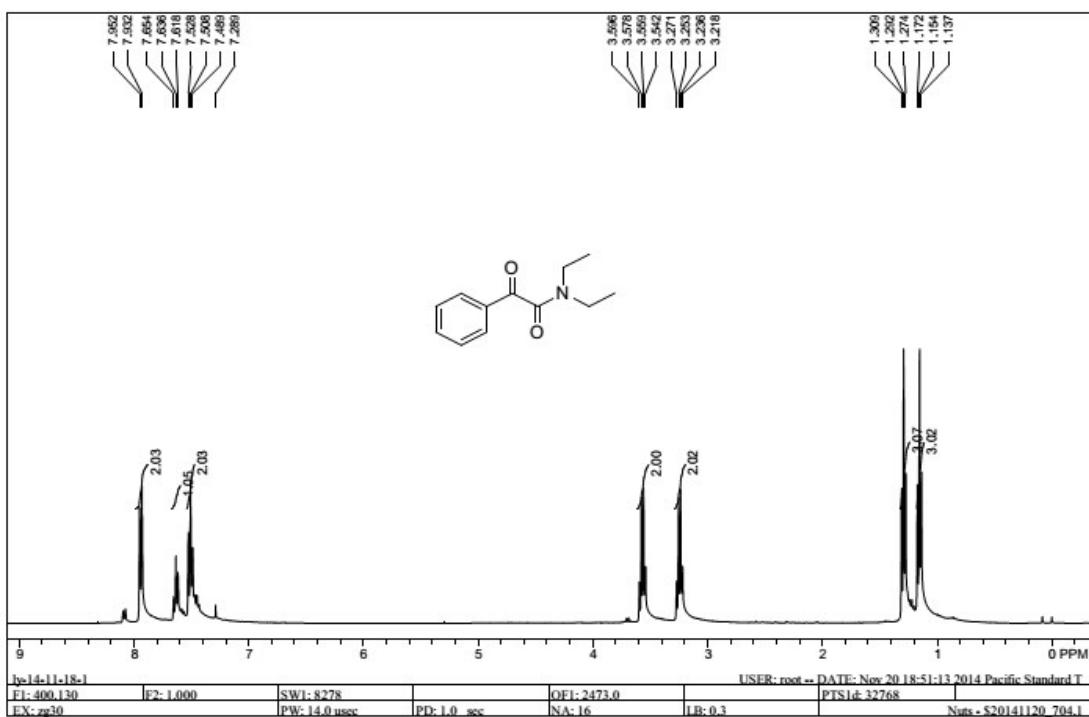
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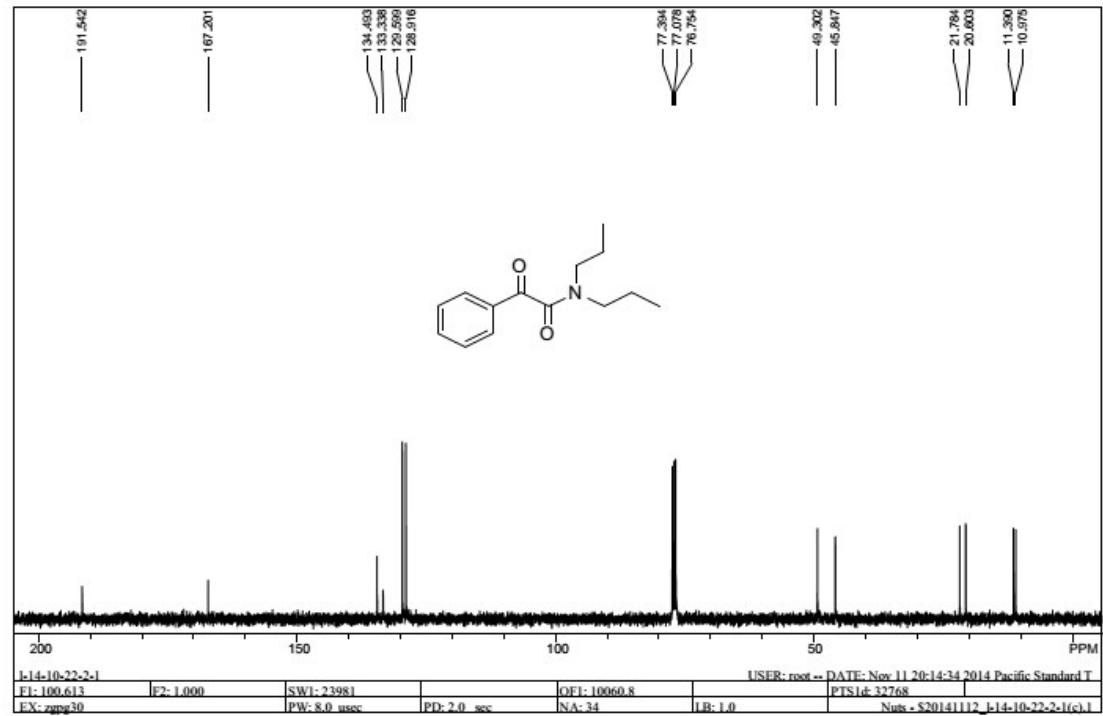
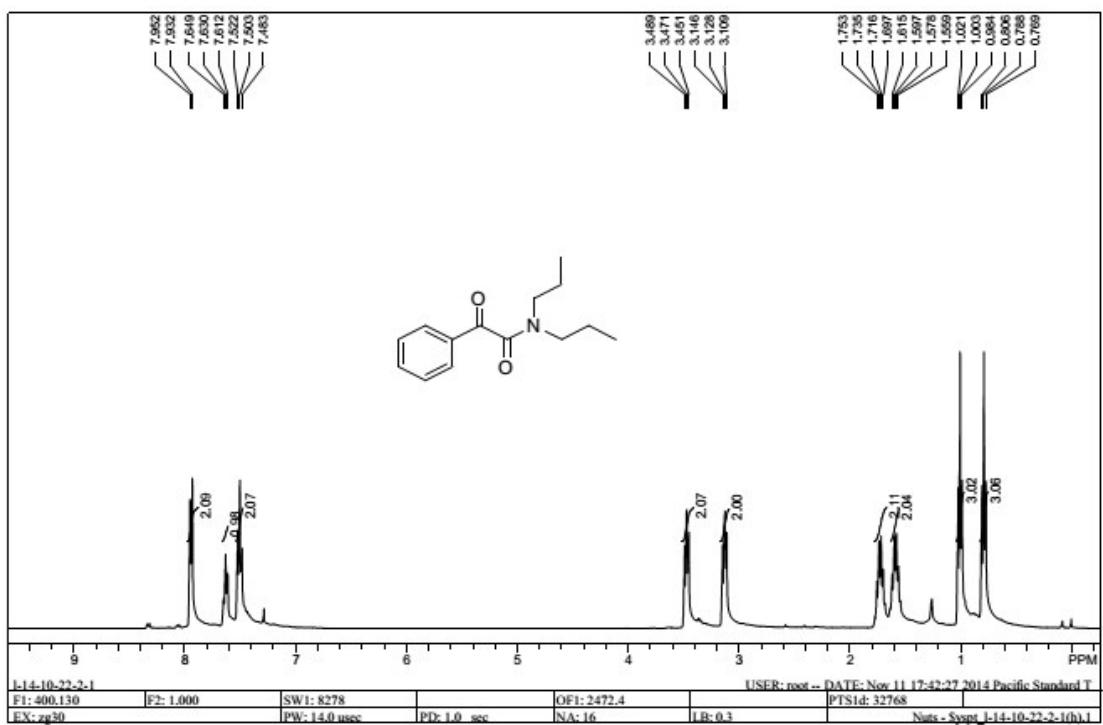
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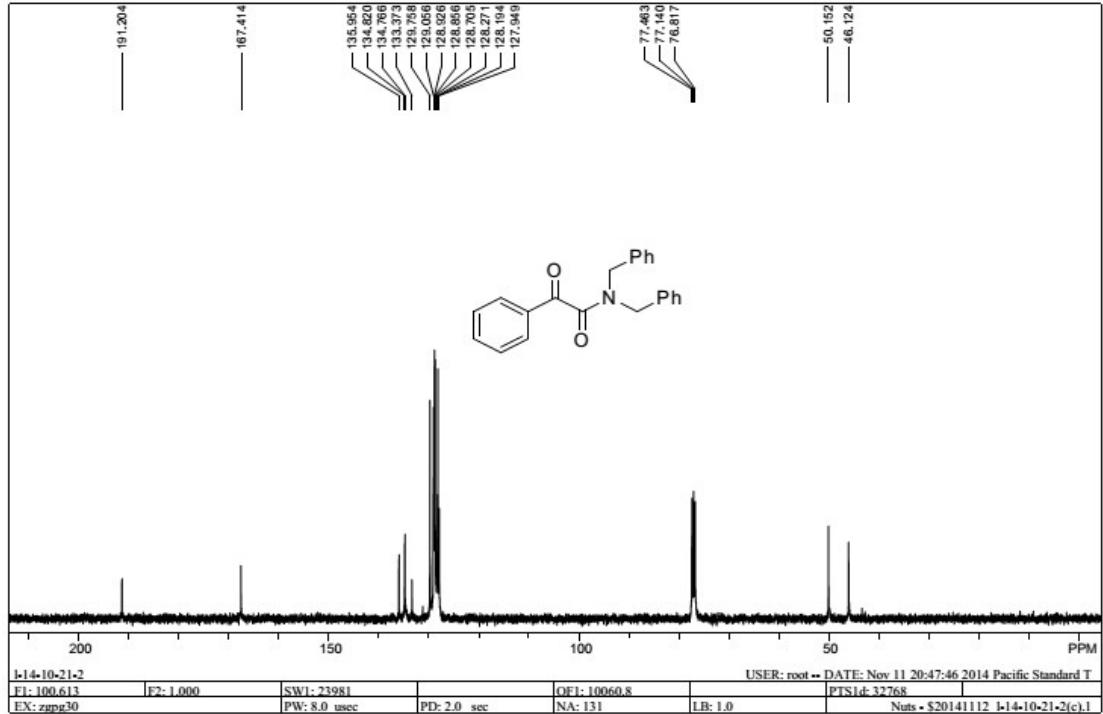
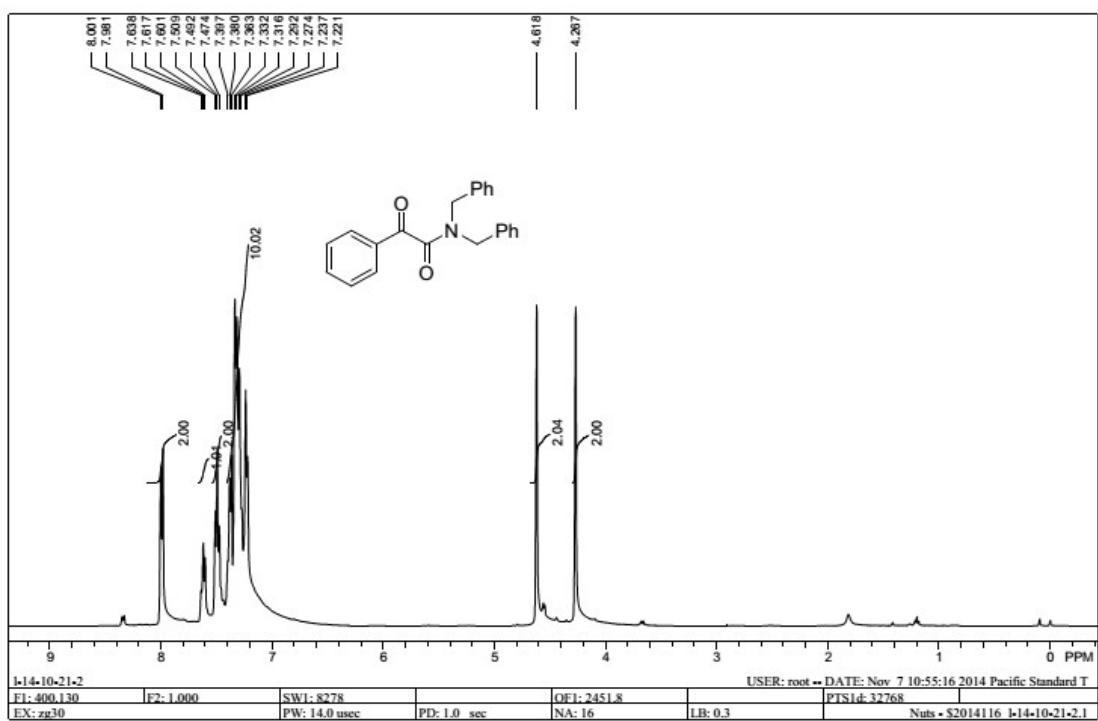
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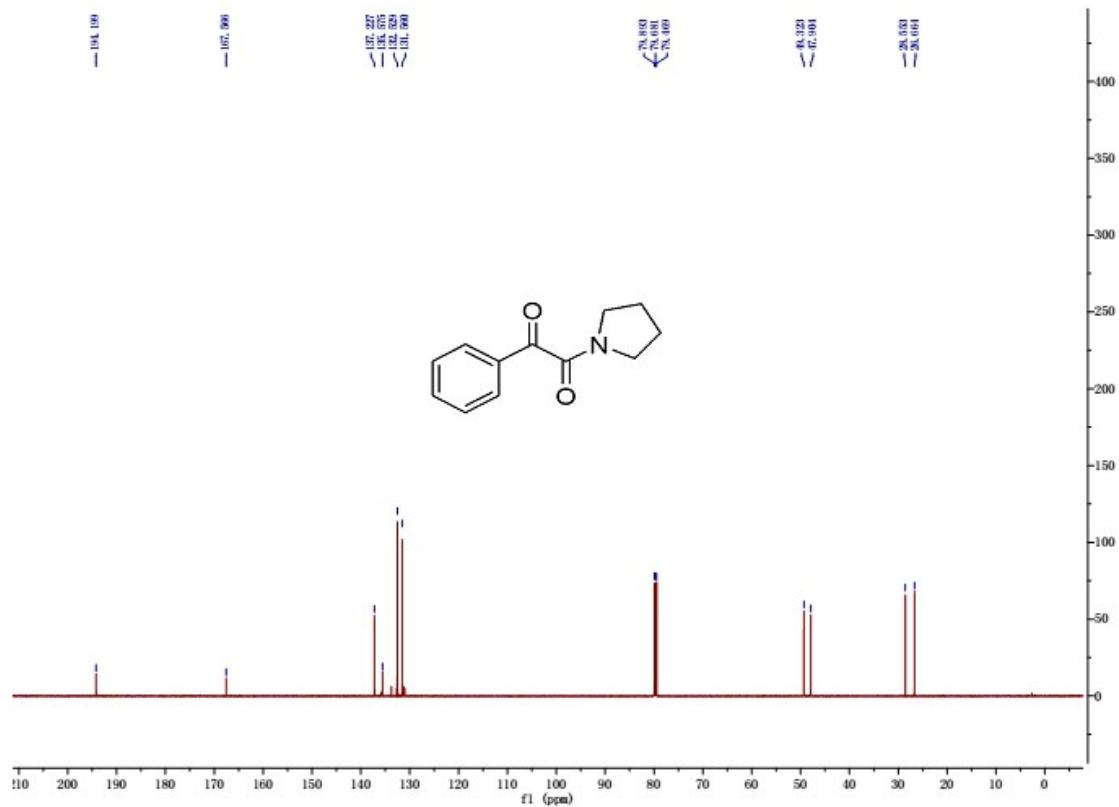
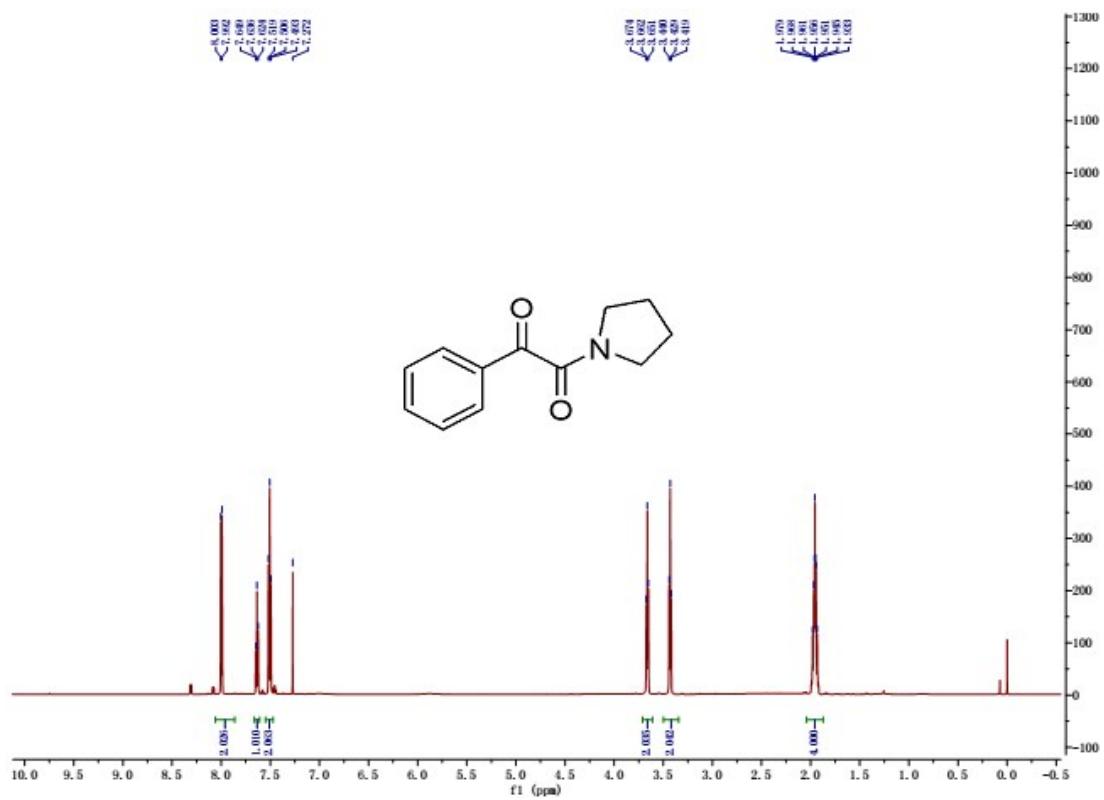
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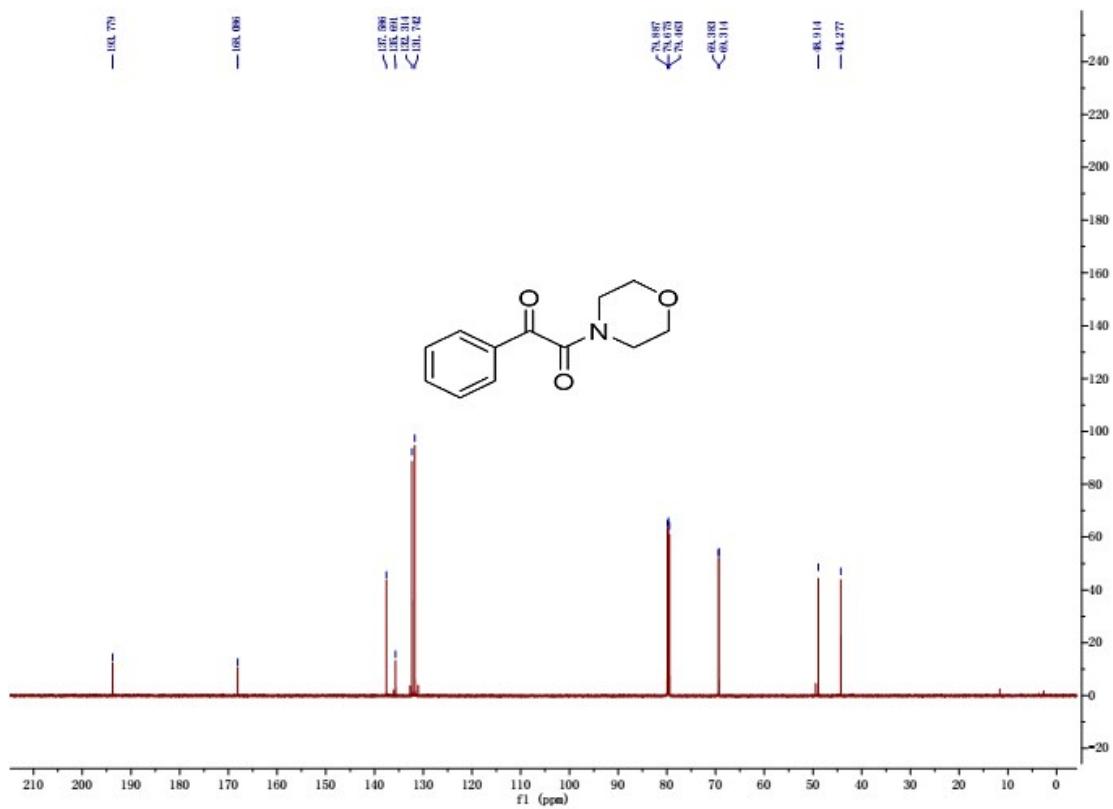
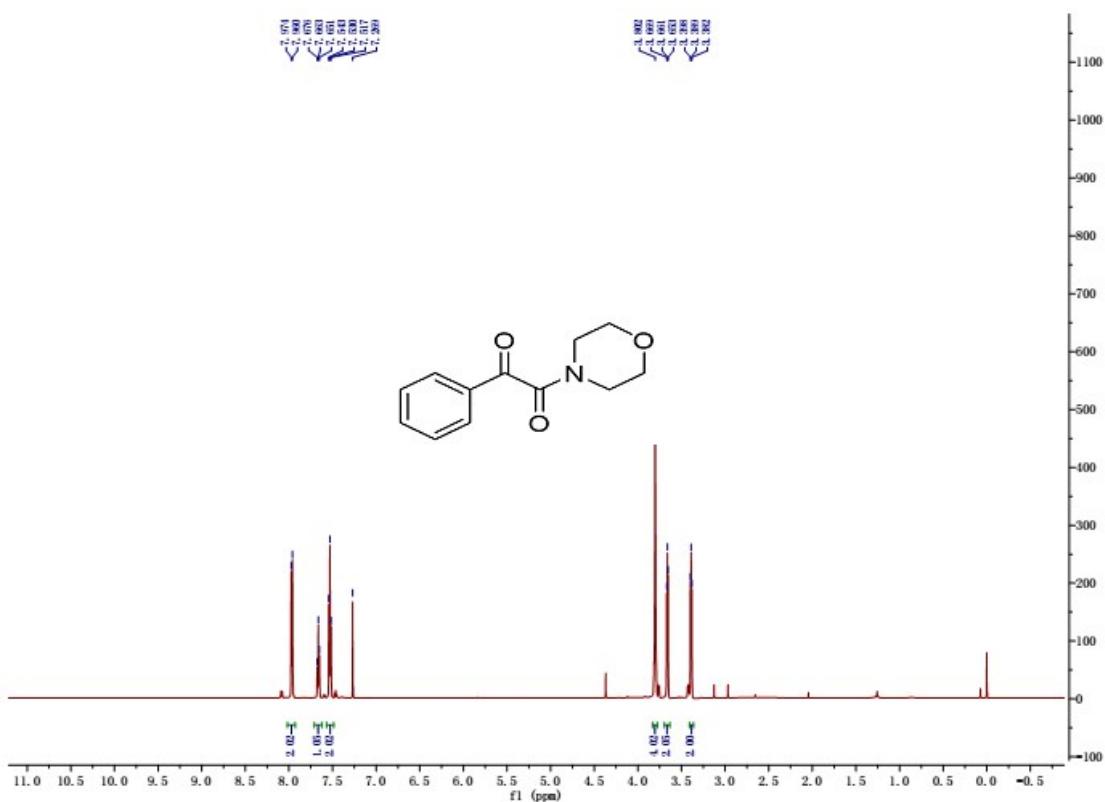
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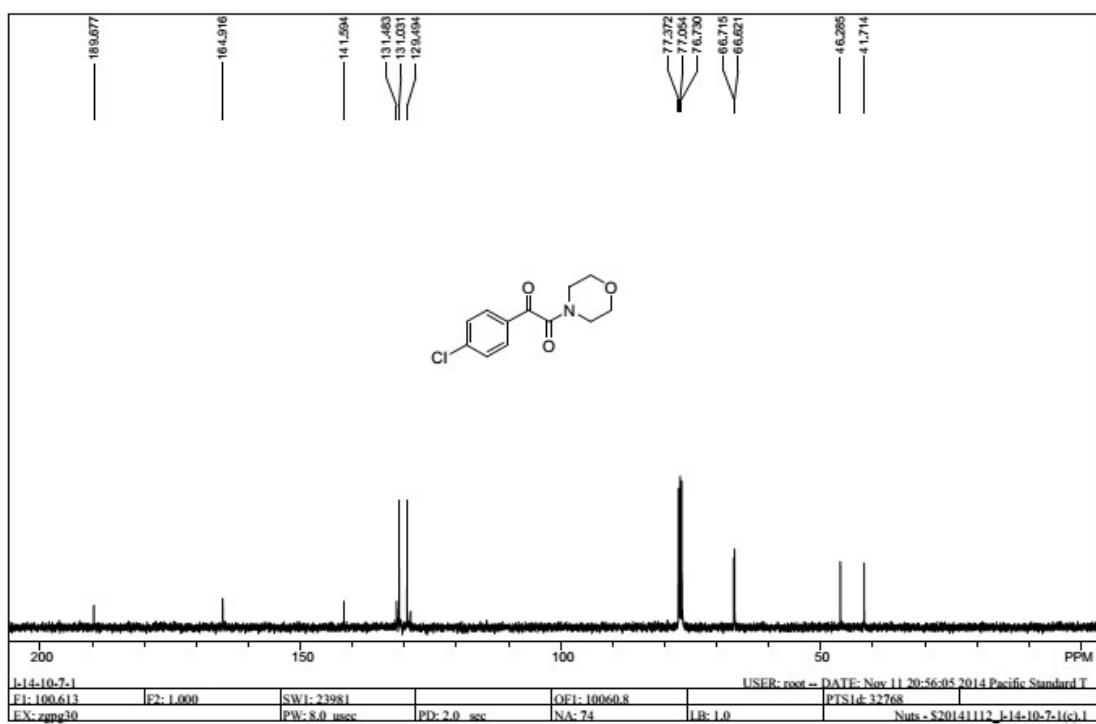
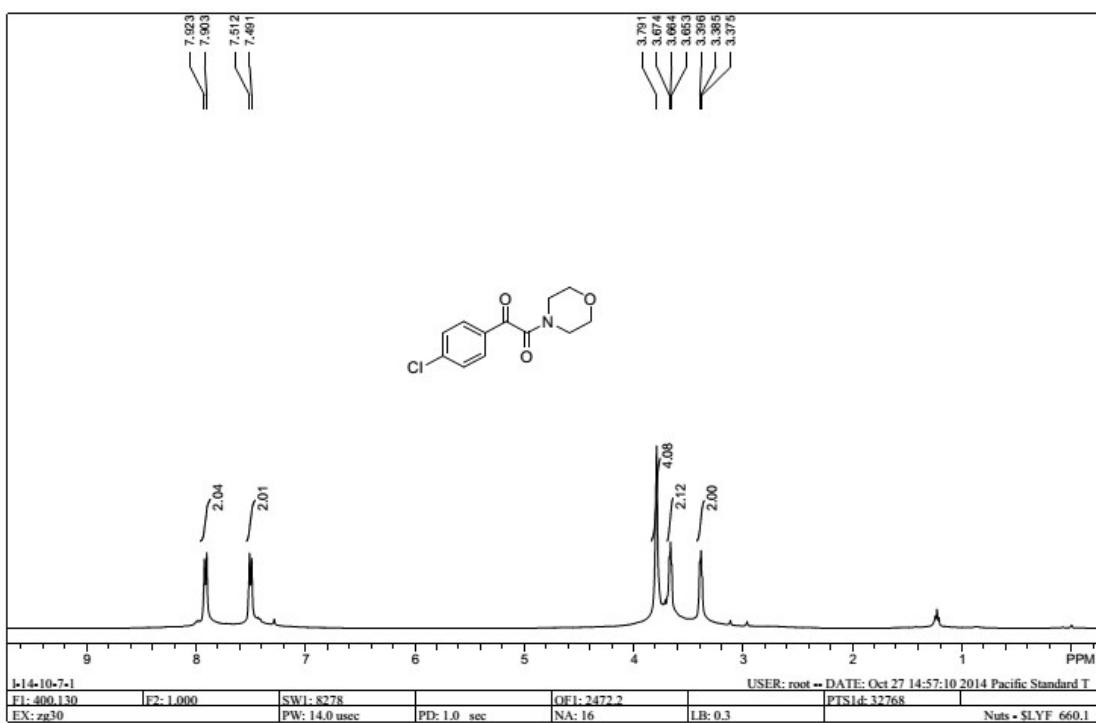
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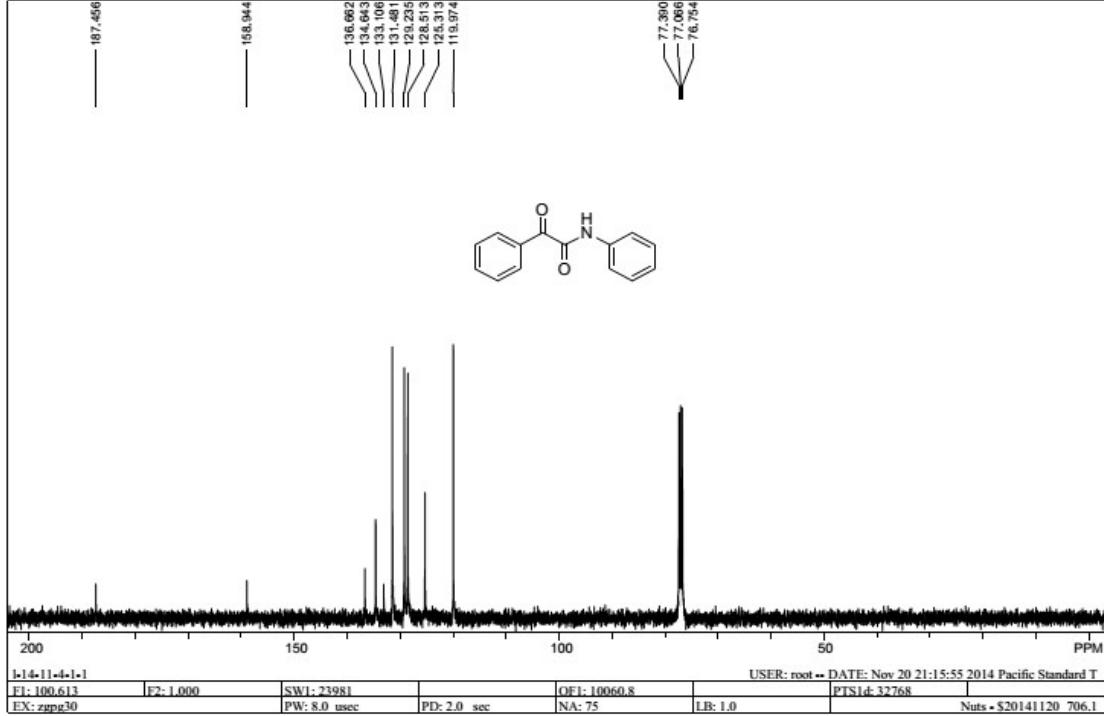
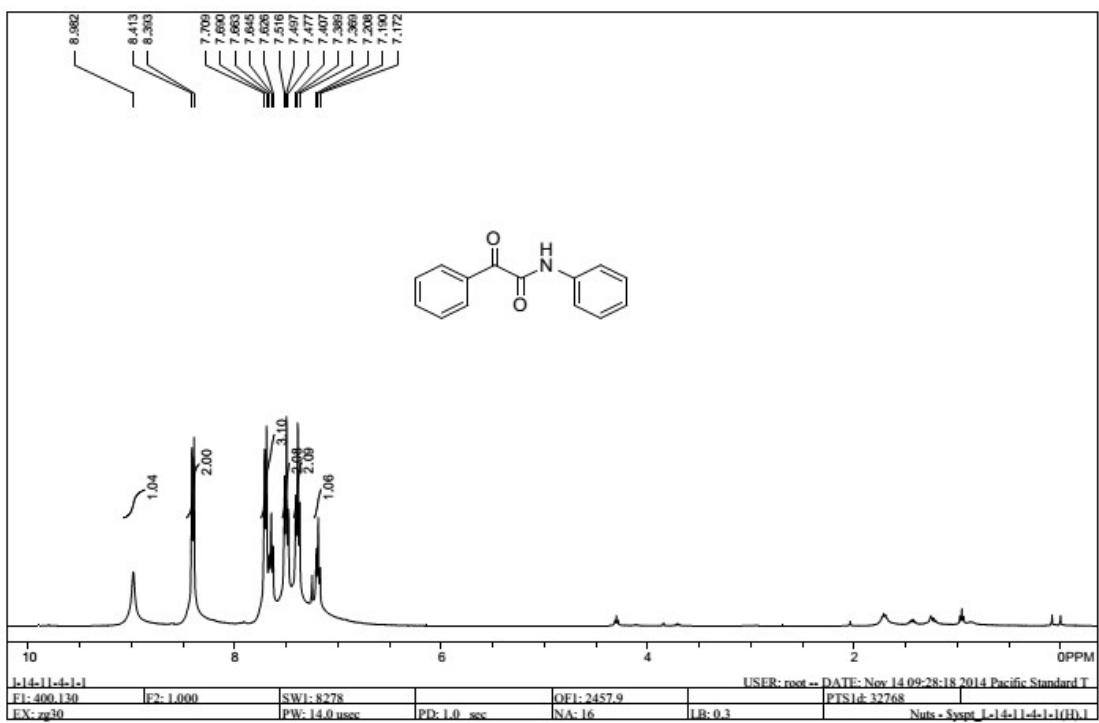
¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of **2r** (recorded in 600 MHz NMR apparatus)



¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of **2s** (recorded in 400 MHz NMR apparatus)



¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of **2t** (recorded in 400 MHz NMR apparatus)



¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of **2u** (recorded in 400 MHz NMR apparatus)

