

Metal-free oxidative carbonylation on enaminone C=C bond for the cascade synthesis of benzothiazole-containing vicinal diketones

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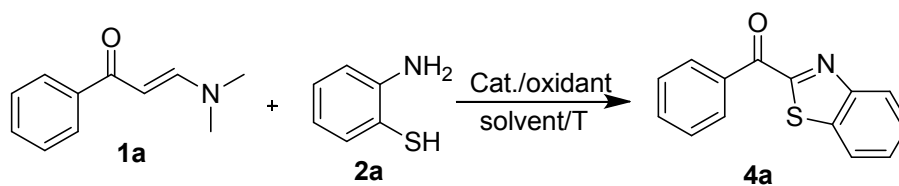
General information

Enaminones **1** were synthesized following literature process,¹ all other chemicals and solvents were obtained from commercial source and used directly without further treatment. Unless otherwise specified, all reaction were performed under air atmosphere. The ¹H and ¹³C NMR were recorded in an 400 MHz apparatus by using CDCl₃ as solvent. The chemical shift was reported in ppm with TMS as internal standard (0 ppm). HRMS data were tested under ESI model in the spectrometer equipped TOF analyzer, and the melting points were measured in a X-4A apparatus without correcting the temperature.

General procedure for the synthesis of vicinal diketones

In a 25 mL round-bottom flask equipped with a stirring bar were located enaminone **1** (0.3 mmol), *o*-aminothiophenol **2** (0.3 mmol), I₂ (0.06mmol) and DMSO (2 mL). The resulting mixture was then stirred at 110 °C for 12 h under air atmosphere. Upon completion of the reaction (TCL), water (5 mL) was added to the vessel and the suspension was extracted with ethyl acetate (3 × 10 mL). The combined organic solution was dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. After filtration, the organic solvent was removed from the solution under reduced pressure. The resulting residue was then subjected to silica gel chromatography to give pure product by using mixed ethyl acetate/petroleum ether as eluent (v/v = 1/15).

Optimization data for the synthesis of 2-arylbenzothiazole (Table 1)



Entry	Catalyst	Oxidant	Solvent	T(°C)	Yield(%) ^b
1	FeCl ₃	-	DMSO	120	27
2	<i>p</i> -TSA	-	DMSO	120	19
3	CAN	-	DMSO	120	trace
4	Rose Bengal	-	DMSO	120	nr
5	CuI	-	DMSO	120	33
6	CuI	TBHP	DMSO	120	42
7	CuI	KMnO ₄	DMSO	120	nr
8	CuI	PhI(AcO) ₂	DMSO	120	trace
9	CuI	MnO ₂	DMSO	120	nr
10	CuI	DDQ	DMSO	120	trace
11 ^c	CuI	TBHP	DMSO	120	52
12 ^d	CuI	TBHP	DMSO	120	46
13^c	CuI	TBHP	DMSO	110	54
14 ^c	CuI	TBHP	DMSO	100	48
15 ^{c,e}	CuI	TBHP	DMSO	110	39
16 ^{c,f}	CuI	TBHP	DMSO	110	47
17 ^c	CuBr	TBHP	DMSO	110	51
18 ^c	CuCl	TBHP	DMSO	110	43
19 ^c	CuBr ₂	TBHP	DMSO	110	37
20 ^c	Cu(AcO) ₂	TBHP	DMSO	110	36
21 ^{c,g}	CuI	TBHP	DMF	110	21
22 ^{c,g}	CuI	TBHP	Toluene	110	trace
23 ^{c,g}	CuI	TBHP	EtOH	110	nr
24 ^{c,g}	CuI	TBHP	CH ₃ CN	110	nr

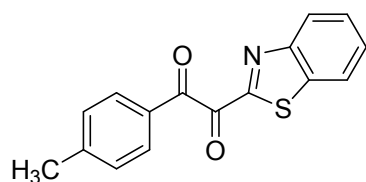
[a] Unless otherwise specified, the reaction conditions are: **1a** (0.3 mmol), **2a** (0.3 mmol), catalyst (0.06 mmol) and oxidant (0.6 mmol) in 2 mL of solvent(s), stirred for 12 h at air atmosphere. [b] Yield of isolated product. [c] The TBHP was 0.45 mmol. [d] The TBHP was 0.3 mmol. [e] The CuI was 0.03 mmol. [f] The CuI was 0.09 mol. [g] The reactions were run at reflux.

General procedure for the synthesis of 2-arylbenzothiazole

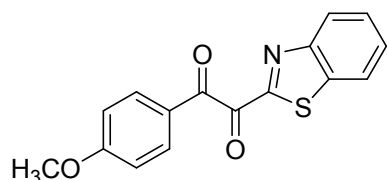
In a 25 mL round-bottom flask equipped with a stirring bar were added enaminone **1** (0.3 mmol), *o*-aminothiophenol **2** (0.3 mmol), CuI (0.06mmol), TBHP (0.45 mmol) and DMSO (2 mL). The resulting mixture was stirred at 110 °C for 12 h under air atmosphere. Upon completion of the reaction (TCL), the water (5 mL) was added to

the vessel and the resulting suspension was extracted with ethyl acetate (3×10 mL). The combined organic solution was dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. After filtration, the organic solvent was removed from the solution under reduced pressure. The retained residue was then subjected to silica gel chromatography to give pure product by using mixed ethyl acetate/petroleum ether as eluent (v/v = 1/50).

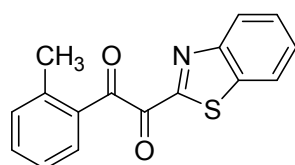
Characterization data of all products



1-Benzothiazol-2-yl-2-p-tolyl-ethane-1,2-dione (3a). Orange solid; m.p. 173-175 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.19-8.16 (m, 1 H), 8.04-8.01 (m, 1 H), 7.91 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2 H), 7.58-7.56 (m, 2 H), 7.33 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2 H), 2.44 (s, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.8, 188.0, 162.9, 153.8, 146.6, 137.3, 130.2, 130.0, 129.8, 128.6, 127.4, 126.3, 122.4, 22.0; ESI-HRMS: Calcd for C₁₆H₁₂NO₂S [M+H]⁺: 282.0589; Found: 282.0589.

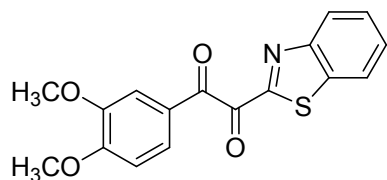


1-Benzothiazol-2-yl-2-(4-methoxy-phenyl)-ethane-1,2-dione (3b). Orange solid; m.p. 186-188 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.19-8.17 (m, 1 H), 8.03-8.00 (m, 2 H), 7.99 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1 H), 7.58-7.55 (m, 2 H), 6.99 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2 H), 3.89 (s, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 190.5, 187.9, 165.3, 162.9, 153.8, 137.0, 132.6, 128.6, 127.4, 126.3, 125.4, 122.4, 114.5, 55.7; ESI-HRMS: Calcd for C₁₆H₁₂NO₃S [M+H]⁺: 298.0538; Found: 298.0545.

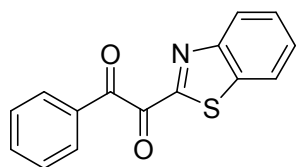


1-Benzothiazol-2-yl-2-o-tolyl-ethane-1,2-dione (3c). Yellow solid; m.p. 118-121 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.18-8.15 (m, 1 H), 8.03-8.01 (m, 1 H), 7.69 (d, *J* = 8.0

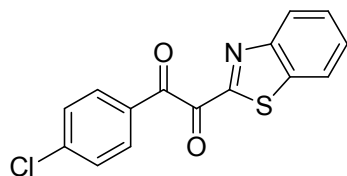
Hz, 1 H), 7.58-7.55 (m, 2 H), 7.50 (t, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1 H), 7.36 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1 H), 7.29 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1 H), 2.76 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 194.1, 187.9, 163.0, 153.8, 141.8, 137.0, 134.0, 133.1, 132.6, 131.1, 128.6, 127.4, 126.3, 126.0, 122.4, 21.9; ESI-HRMS: Calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{12}\text{NO}_2\text{S}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 282.0589; Found: 282.0582.



1-Benzothiazol-2-yl-2-(3,4-dimethoxy-phenyl)-ethane-1,2-dione (3d). Green solid; m.p. 127-129 °C; ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.20-8.19 (m, 1 H), 8.04-8.03 (m, 1 H), 7.67 (s, 1 H), 7.59-7.57 (m, 2 H), 7.52 (dd, $J_1 = 8.4$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.8$ Hz, 1 H), 6.91 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1 H), 3.98 (s, 3 H), 3.96 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 190.6, 187.7, 163.0, 155.3, 153.8, 149.8, 137.0, 128.6, 127.4, 126.6, 126.3, 125.6, 122.4, 110.4, 110.3, 56.3, 56.1; ESI-HRMS: Calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{14}\text{NO}_4\text{S}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 328.0644; Found: 328.0637.

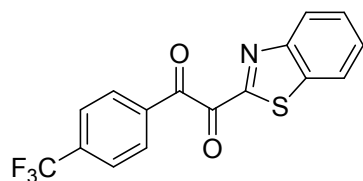


1-Benzothiazol-2-yl-2-phenyl-ethane-1,2-dione (3e). Yellow solid; m.p. 144-145 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.19-8.16 (m, 1 H), 8.03 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 3 H), 7.68 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1 H), 7.59-7.52 (m, 4 H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 192.0, 187.8, 162.7, 153.8, 137.1, 135.0, 132.5, 130.0, 129.0, 128.6, 127.4, 126.3, 122.4; ESI-HRMS: Calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{10}\text{NO}_2\text{S}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 268.0427; Found: 268.0427.

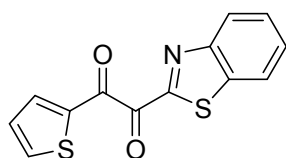


1-Benzothiazol-2-yl-2-(4-chloro-phenyl)-ethane-1,2-dione (3f). Yellow solid; m.p. 208-210 °C; ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.19-8.18 (m, 1 H), 8.05-8.04 (m, 1 H), 7.96 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2 H), 7.60-7.59 (m, 2 H), 7.52 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2 H); ^{13}C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 190.8, 187.4, 162.5, 153.8, 141.9, 137.0, 131.3, 130.8, 129.5, 128.8,

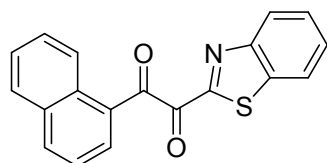
127.5, 126.4, 122.5; ESI-HRMS: Calcd for C₁₅H₉ClNO₂S [M+H]⁺: 302.0037; Found: 302.0047.



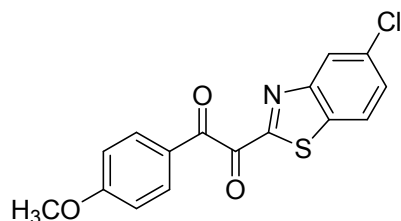
1-Benzothiazol-2-yl-2-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-ethane-1,2-dione (3g). Orange solid; m.p. 157-159 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.18-8.13 (m, 3 H), 8.05 (t, *J* = 4.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.81 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2 H), 7.60 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 2 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.0, 187.0, 162.2, 153.7, 137.1, 136.3, 135.9, 135.0, 130.3, 129.0, 127.6, 126.4, 126.1 (t, *J* = 3.6 Hz), 122.5; ESI-HRMS: Calcd for C₁₆H₉F₃NO₂S [M+H]⁺: 336.0301; Found: 336.0310.



1-Benzothiazol-2-yl-2-thiophen-2-yl-ethane-1,2-dione (3h). Brown solid; m.p. 100-102 °C; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.25-8.23 (m, 1 H), 8.04-8.02 (m, 1 H), 7.90-7.88 (m, 2 H), 7.60-7.58 (m, 2 H), 7.21 (t, *J* = 4.2 Hz, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 184.8, 182.9, 161.7, 153.7, 139.0, 137.5, 137.3, 137.1, 128.9, 128.7, 127.5, 126.4, 122.4; ESI-HRMS: Calcd for C₁₃H₈NO₂S₂ [M+H]⁺: 273.9991; Found: 273.9989.

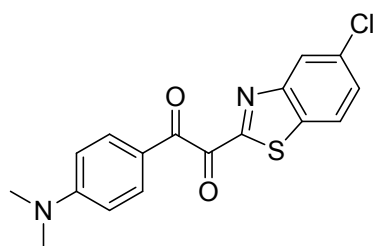


1-Benzothiazol-2-yl-2-naphthalen-1-yl-ethane-1,2-dione (3i). Green solid; m.p. 168-170 °C; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.37 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1 H), 8.14 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2 H), 8.05 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 1 H), 8.04-7.94 (m, 2 H), 7.79-7.76 (m, 1 H), 7.65 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1 H), 7.58-7.55 (m, 2 H), 7.51 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.3, 187.6, 163.3, 153.9, 137.1, 136.3, 135.3, 134.1, 131.1, 129.6, 128.7, 128.6, 127.9, 127.4, 127.2, 126.3, 126.2, 124.4, 122.4; ESI-HRMS: Calcd for C₁₉H₁₂NO₂S [M+H]⁺: 318.0589; Found: 318.0588.



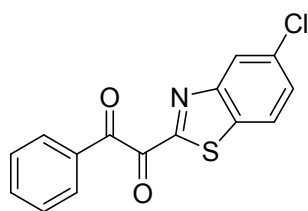
1-(5-Chloro-benzothiazol-2-yl)-2-(4-methoxy-phenyl)-ethane-1,2-dione (3j).

Orange solid; m.p. 186-187 °C; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.17 (s, 1 H), 7.98 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 2 H), 7.95 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.55-7.54 (m, 1 H), 7.01 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 2 H), 3.90 (s, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 190.1, 187.4, 165.4, 164.6, 154.5, 135.2, 133.6, 132.6, 129.2, 125.7, 125.3, 123.2, 114.6, 55.7; ESI-HRMS: Calcd for C₁₆H₁₁ClNO₃S [M+H]⁺: 332.0148; Found: 332.0140.



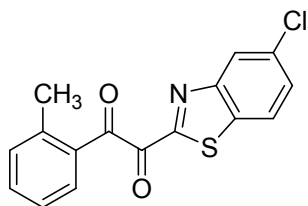
1-(5-Chloro-benzothiazol-2-yl)-2-(4-dimethylamino-phenyl)-ethane-1,2-dione (3k).

Orange solid; m.p. 154-156 °C; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.17 (d, *J* = 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 7.93 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.89 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2 H), 7.53-7.51 (m, 1 H), 6.69 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 2 H), 3.11 (s, 6 H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 189.0, 187.8, 165.2, 154.8, 154.5, 135.2, 133.4, 132.6, 128.9, 125.7, 123.1, 120.0, 111.1, 40.1; ESI-HRMS: Calcd for C₁₇H₁₄ClN₂O₂S [M+H]⁺: 345.0464; Found: 345.0463.

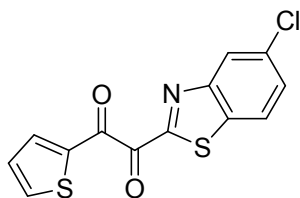


1-(5-Chloro-benzothiazol-2-yl)-2-phenyl-ethane-1,2-dione (3l).

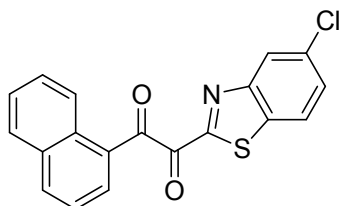
Reseda solid; m.p. 77-79 °C; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.17 (s, 1 H), 8.01 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2 H), 7.96 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.70 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1 H), 7.57-7.54 (m, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.8, 187.4, 164.3, 154.4, 135.3, 135.2, 133.7, 132.3, 130.0, 129.3, 129.1, 125.7, 123.2; ESI-HRMS: Calcd for C₁₅H₉ClNO₂S [M+H]⁺: 302.0043; Found: 302.0074.



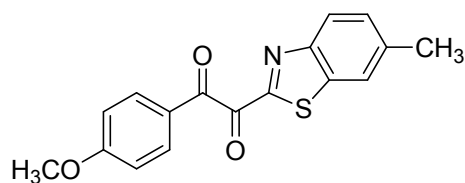
1-(5-Chloro-benzothiazol-2-yl)-2-o-tolyl-ethane-1,2-dione (3m). Yellow solid; m.p. 139-141 °C; ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.16 (d, $J = 2.4$ Hz, 1 H), 7.95 (d, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 1 H), 7.55 (dd, $J_1 = 9.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.8$ Hz, 1 H), 7.52 (dd, $J_1 = 7.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.2$ Hz, 2 H), 7.38 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1 H), 7.29 (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1 H), 2.75 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 193.8, 187.4, 164.7, 154.5, 141.8, 135.2, 134.1, 133.6, 133.0, 132.7, 130.9, 129.2, 126.1, 125.7, 123.2, 21.9; ESI-HRMS: Calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{10}\text{ClNO}_2\text{SNa}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 338.0018; Found: 338.0028.



1-(5-Chloro-benzothiazol-2-yl)-2-thiophen-2-yl-ethane-1,2-dione (3n). Brown solid; m.p. 143-145 °C; ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.23 (s, 1 H), 7.96 (d, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 1 H), 7.92-7.90 (m, 2 H), 7.56 (d, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 1 H), 7.24-7.22 (m, 1 H); ^{13}C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 184.2, 182.3, 163.1, 154.3, 138.7, 137.8, 137.3, 135.5, 133.7, 129.4, 129.0, 125.8, 123.2; ESI-HRMS: Calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_7\text{ClNO}_2\text{S}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 307.9607; Found: 307.9598.

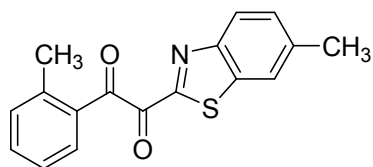


1-(5-Chloro-benzothiazol-2-yl)-2-naphthalen-1-yl-ethane-1,2-dione (3o). Brown solid; m.p. 92-94 °C; ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 9.34 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1 H), 8.15 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1 H), 8.12 (s, 1 H), 7.97-7.94 (m, 3 H), 7.78 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1 H), 7.65 (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1 H), 7.55-7.51 (m, 2 H); ^{13}C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 193.9, 187.1, 164.9, 154.4, 136.4, 135.3, 135.2, 134.1, 133.5, 131.0, 129.7, 129.2, 128.8, 127.7, 127.3, 126.1, 125.7, 124.4, 123.2; ESI-HRMS: Calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{10}\text{ClNO}_2\text{SNa}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 374.0018; Found: 374.0025.

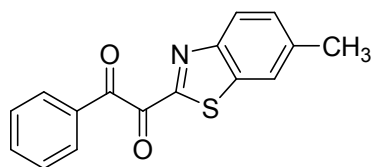


1-(4-Methoxy-phenyl)-2-(6-methyl-benzothiazol-2-yl)-ethane-1,2-dione (3p).

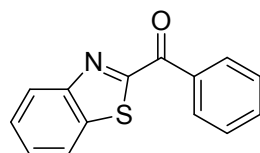
Orange solid; m.p. 119-120 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.04 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1 H), 7.98 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 2 H), 7.79 (s, 1 H), 7.38-7.35 (m, 1 H), 6.98 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 2 H), 3.88 (s, 3 H), 2.52 (s, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 190.6, 188.1, 165.2, 161.9, 152.1, 139.5, 137.4, 132.6, 129.4, 125.8, 125.6, 121.9, 114.4, 55.7, 21.9; ESI-HRMS: Calcd for C₁₇H₁₄NO₃S [M+H]⁺: 312.0694; Found: 312.0700.



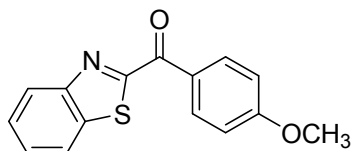
1-(6-Methyl-benzothiazol-2-yl)-2-o-tolyl-ethane-1,2-dione (3q). Orange solid; m.p. 115-117 °C; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.04 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.81 (s, 1 H), 7.69 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1 H), 7.50 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1 H), 7.39-7.35 (m, 2 H), 7.29-7.25 (m, 1 H), 2.75 (s, 3 H), 2.53 (s, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.3, 188.0, 162.0, 152.1, 141.8, 139.5, 137.4, 133.9, 133.1, 132.6, 131.1, 129.4, 126.0, 125.8, 121.9, 21.9, 21.8; ESI-HRMS: Calcd for C₁₇H₁₄NO₂S [M+H]⁺: 296.0745; Found: 296.0718.



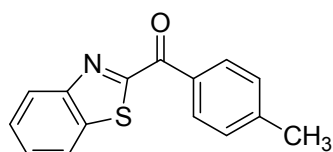
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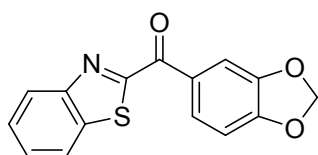
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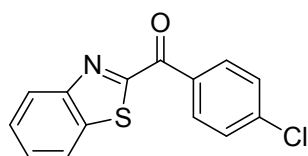
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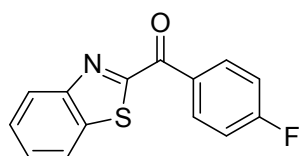
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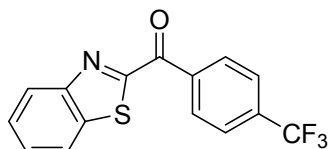
Benzothiazol-2-yl-(1,3-dihydro-isobenzofuran-5-yl)-methanone (4d).² ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.40 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 8.22 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1 H), 8.06 (s, 1 H), 7.99 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.58-7.51 (m, 2 H), 6.96 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 6.10 (s, 2H).



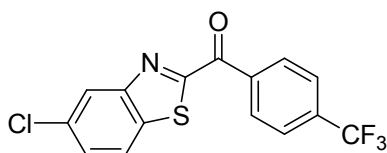
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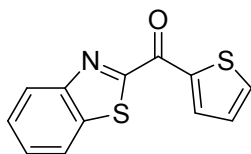
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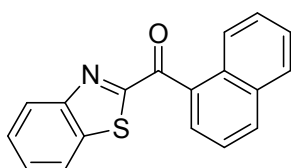
Benzothiazol-2-yl-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-methanone (4g). Yellow solid; m.p. 168-170 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.65 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2 H), 8.23 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1 H), 8.01 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1 H), 7.81 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2 H), 7.62-7.54 (m, 2 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 184.5, 166.3, 153.8, 137.8, 137.1, 135.0, 134.7, 131.6, 128.0, 127.2, 125.9, 125.4 (q, *J* = 3.6 Hz), 122.2; ESI-HRMS: Calcd for C₁₅H₉F₃NOS [M+H]⁺: 308.0351; Found: 308.0330.



(5-Chloro-benzothiazol-2-yl)-(4-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-methanone (4h). Orange solid; m.p. 119-121 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.65 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2 H), 8.23 (s, 1 H), 7.94 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1 H), 7.82 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2 H), 7.55-7.53 (m, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 184.1, 168.0, 154.5, 137.4, 135.3, 135.2, 134.9, 133.3, 131.6, 128.6, 125.5 (q, *J* = 3.6 Hz), 125.4, 123.0; ESI-HRMS: Calcd for C₁₅H₈ClF₃NOS [M+H]⁺: 341.9962; Found: 341.9933.



Benzothiazol-2-yl-(thiophen-2-yl)-methanone (4i).² ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.76 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1 H), 8.24 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1 H), 8.00 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1 H), 7.84 (d, *J* = 5.2 Hz, 1 H), 7.61-7.52 (m, 2 H), 7.26 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1 H).



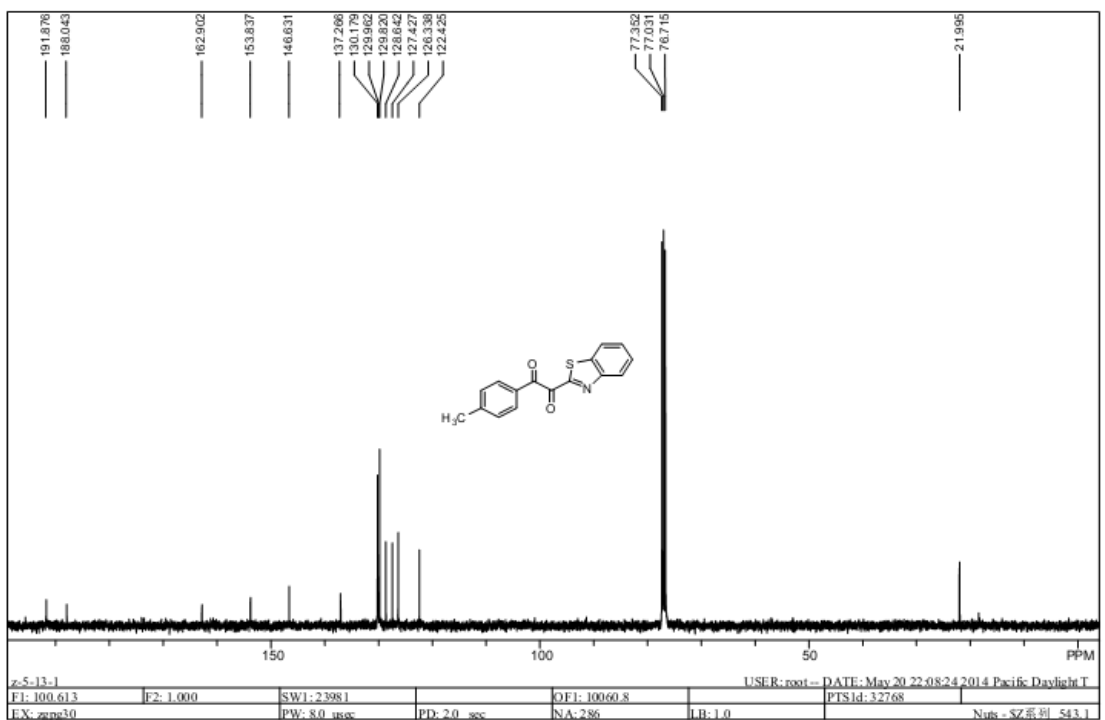
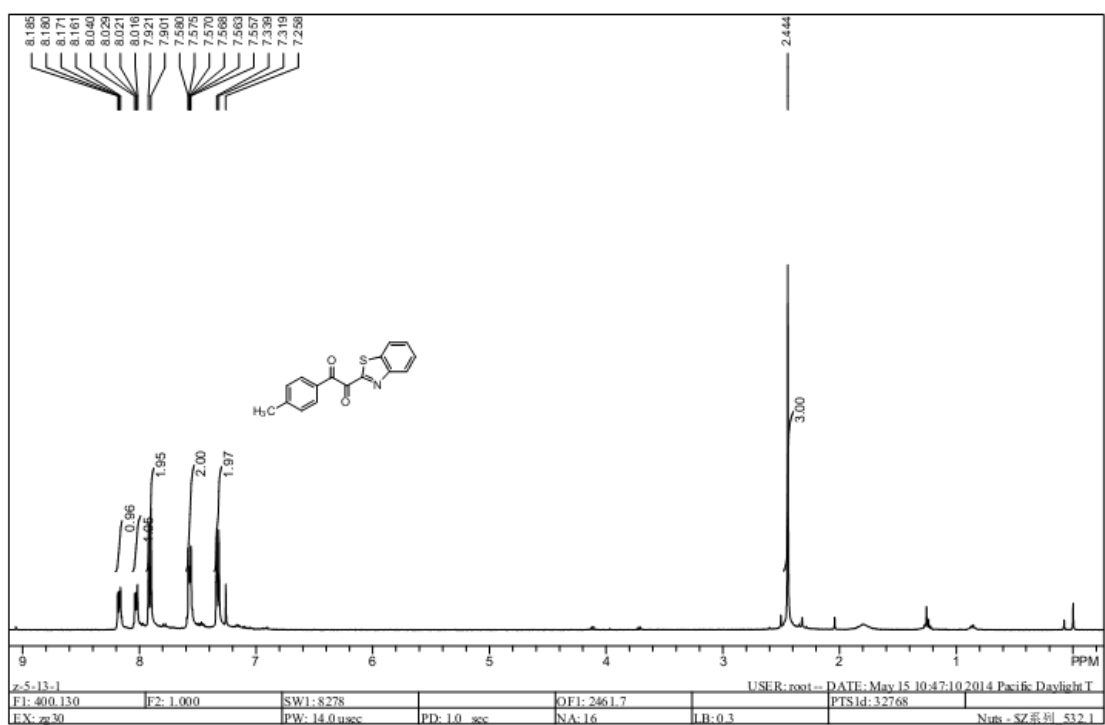
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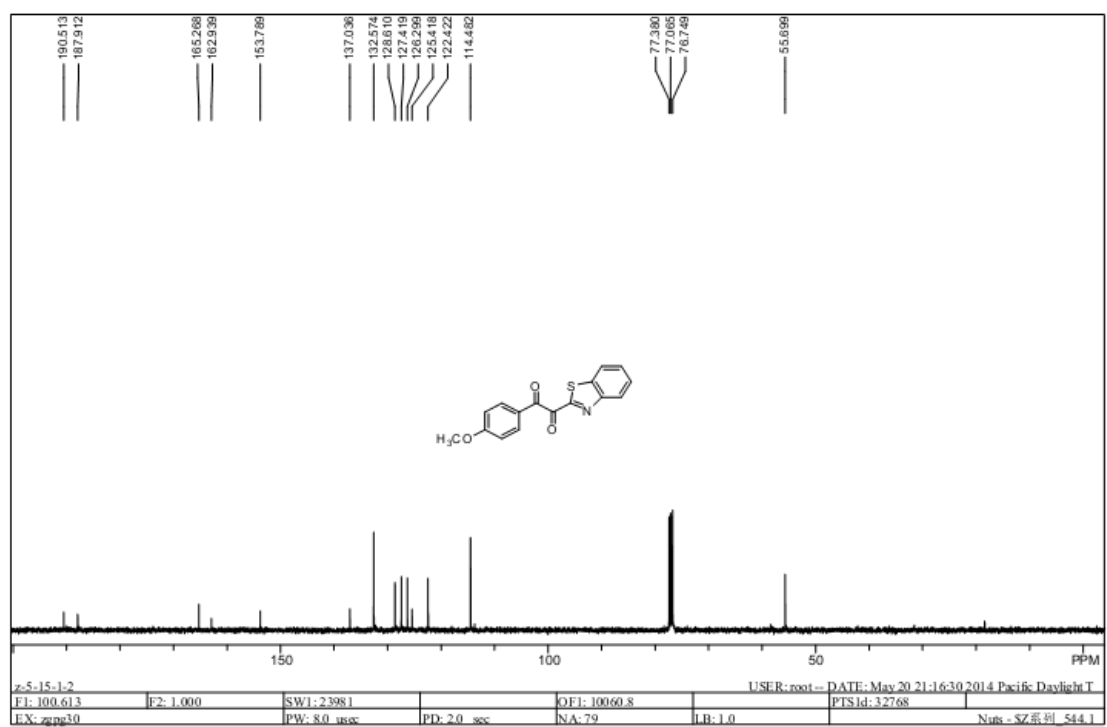
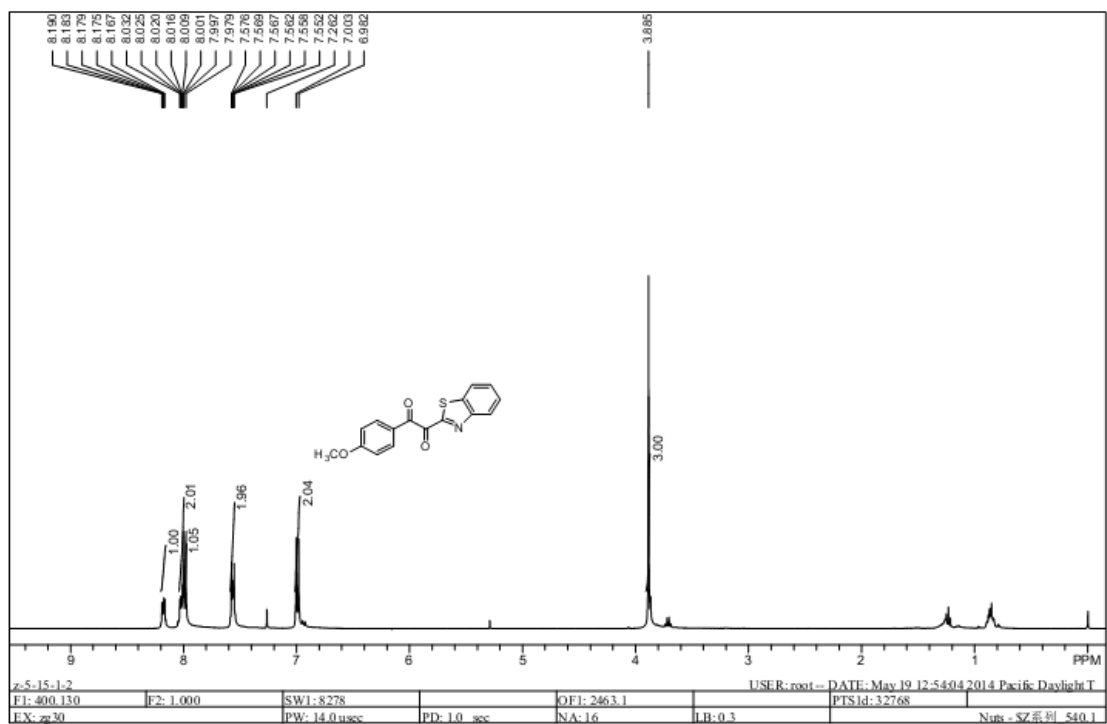
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¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of all products

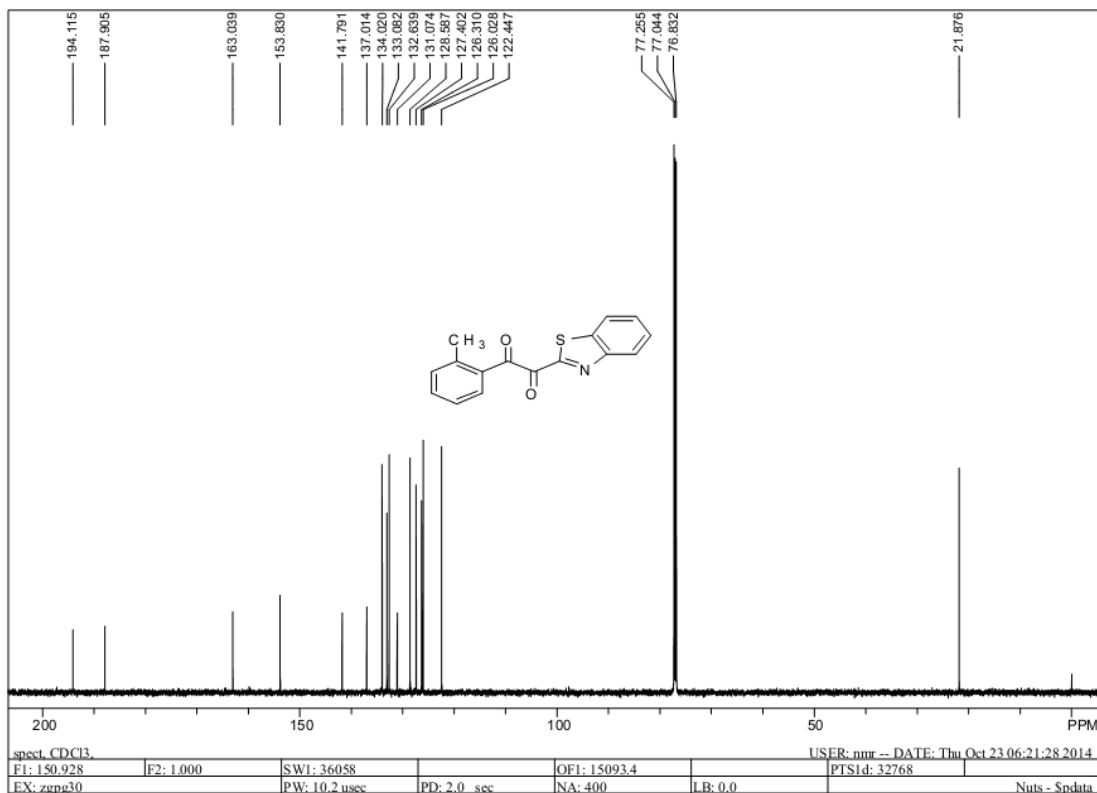
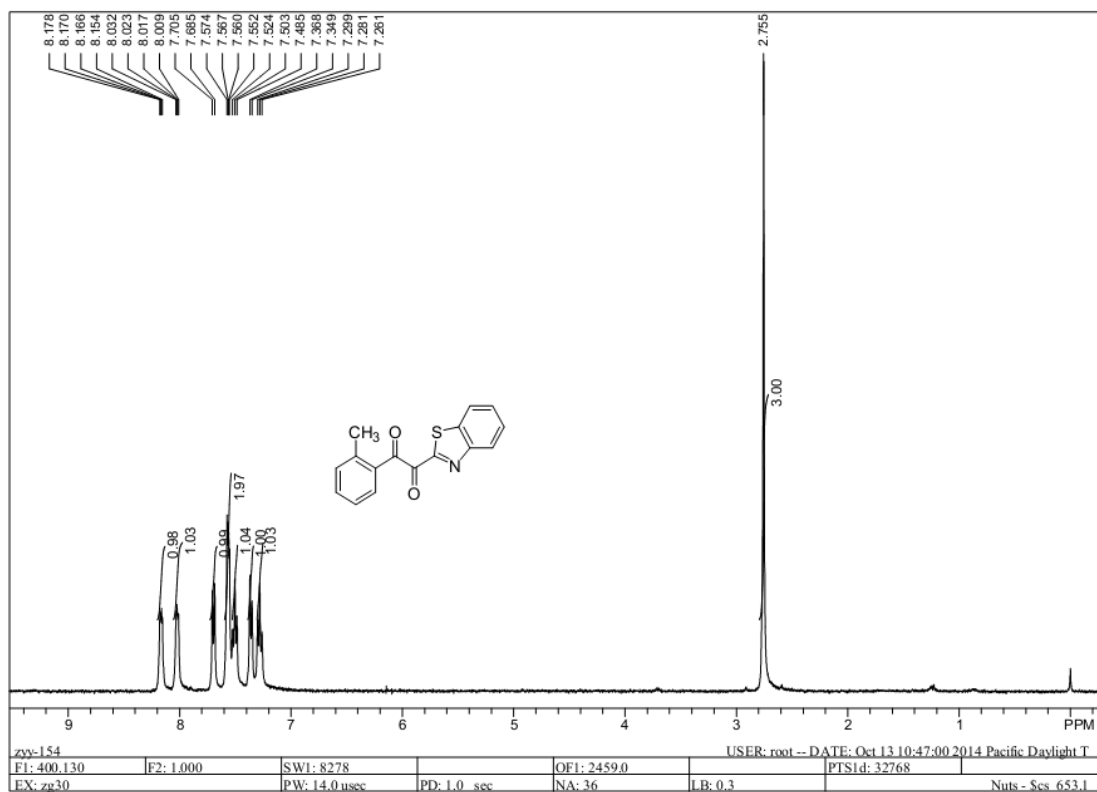
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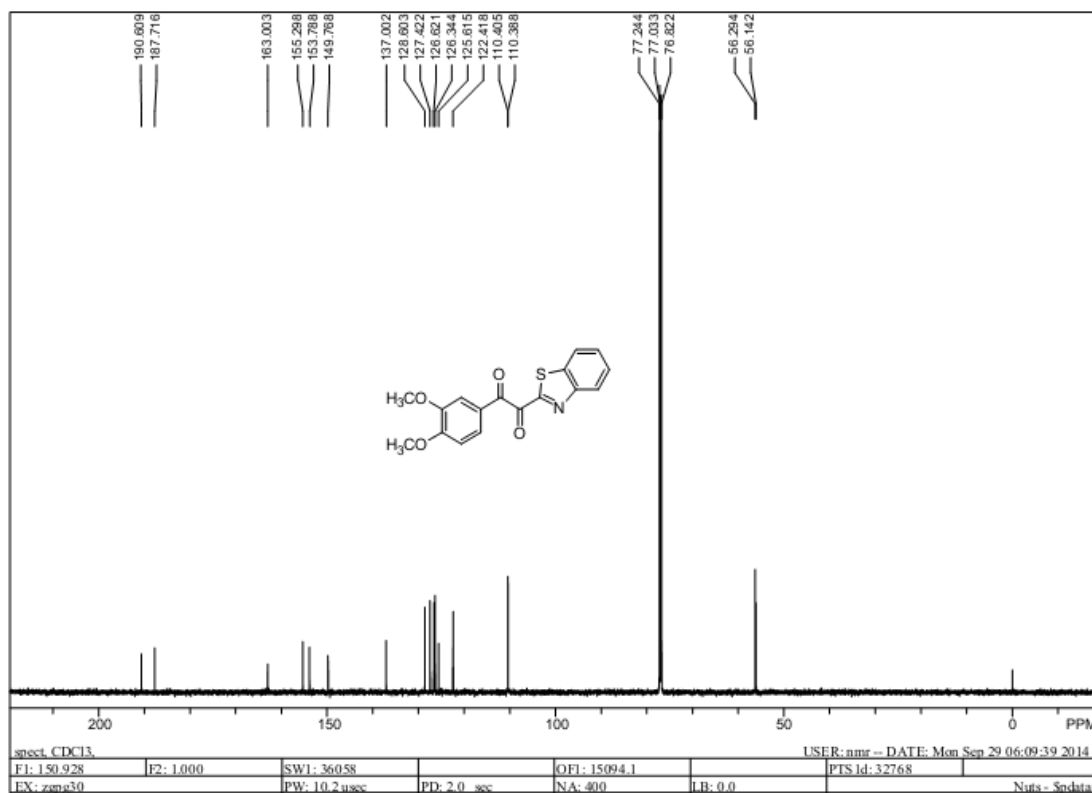
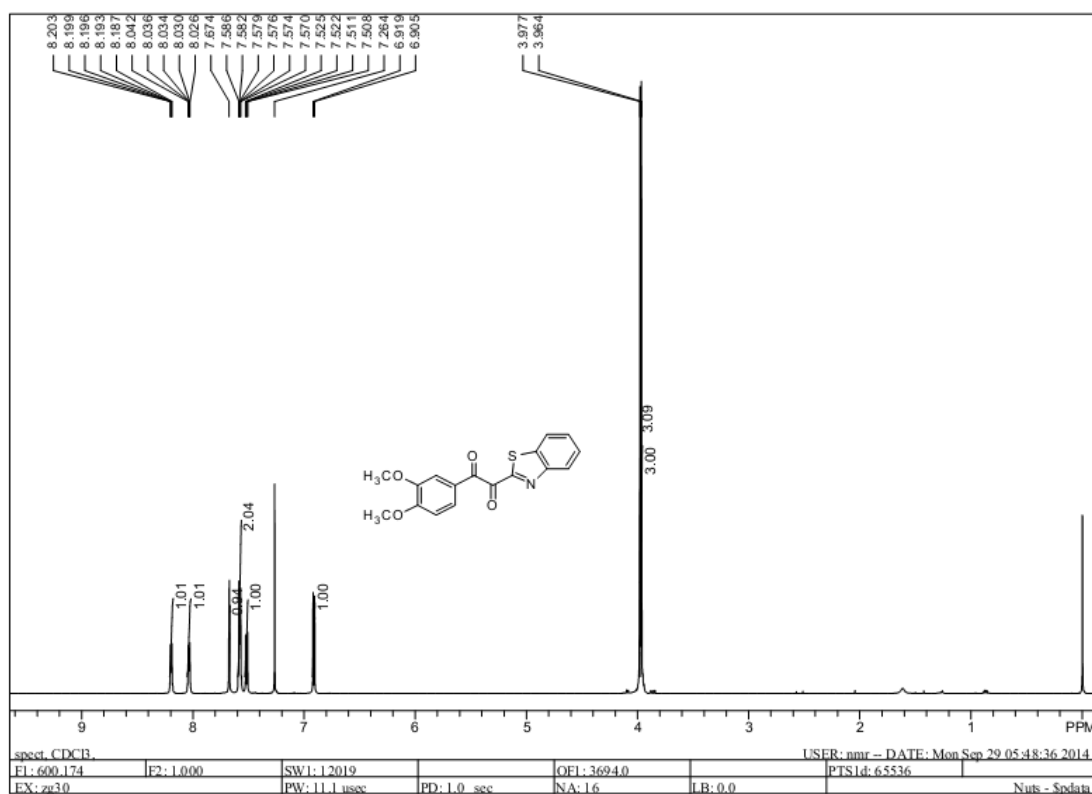
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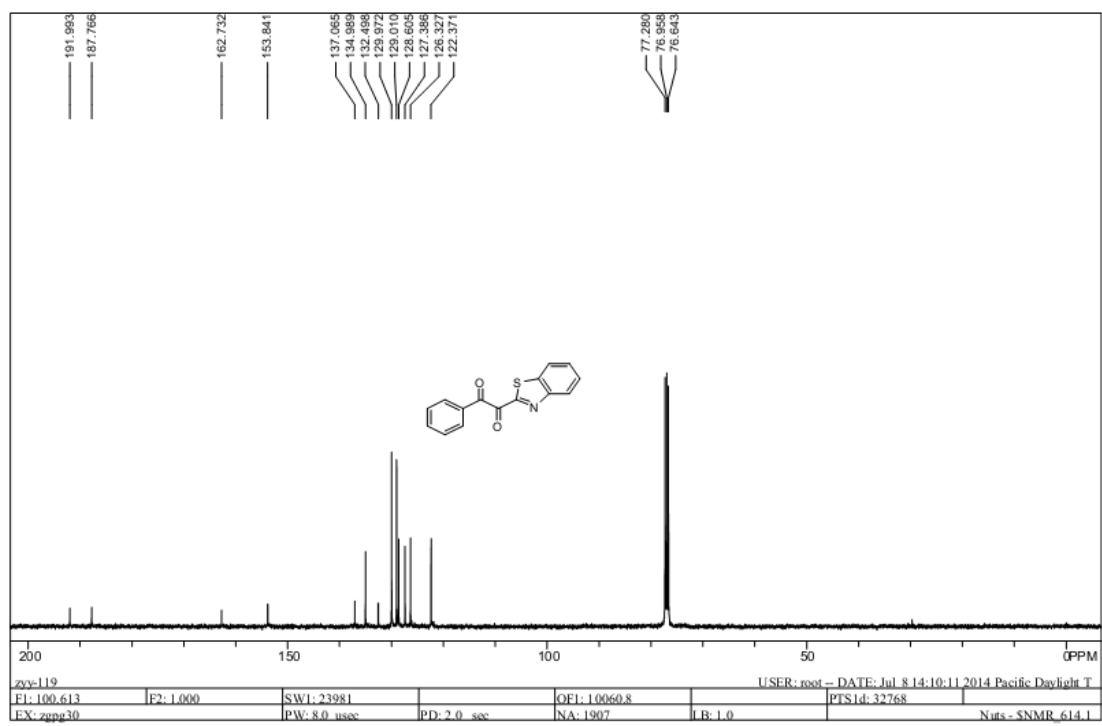
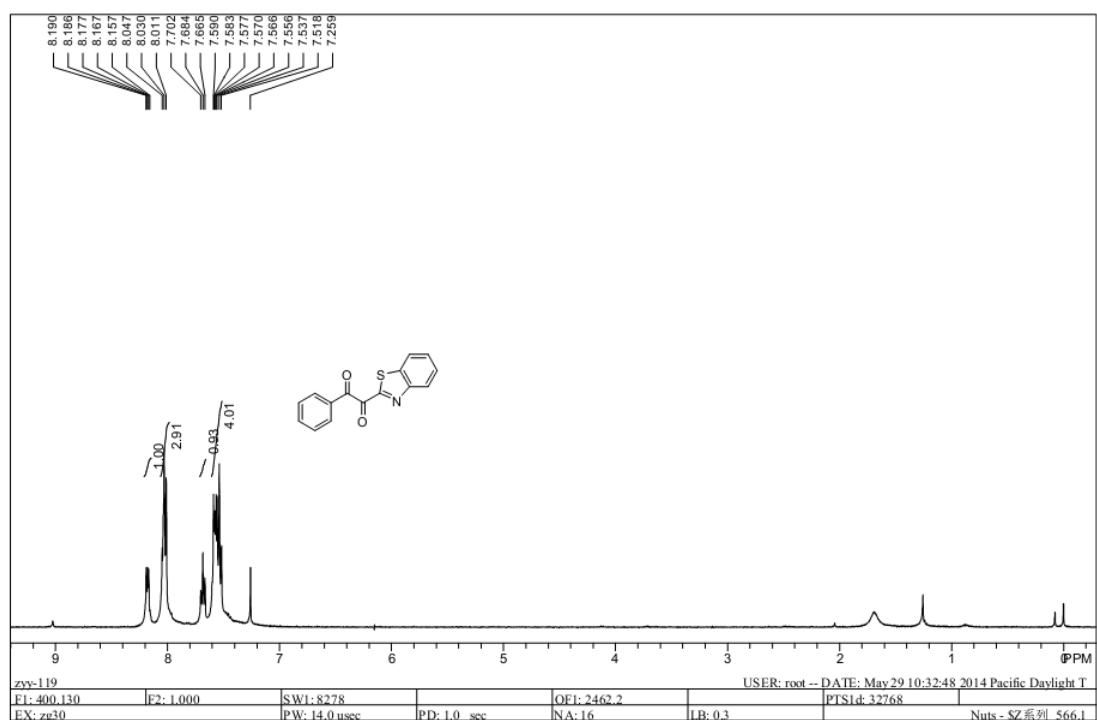
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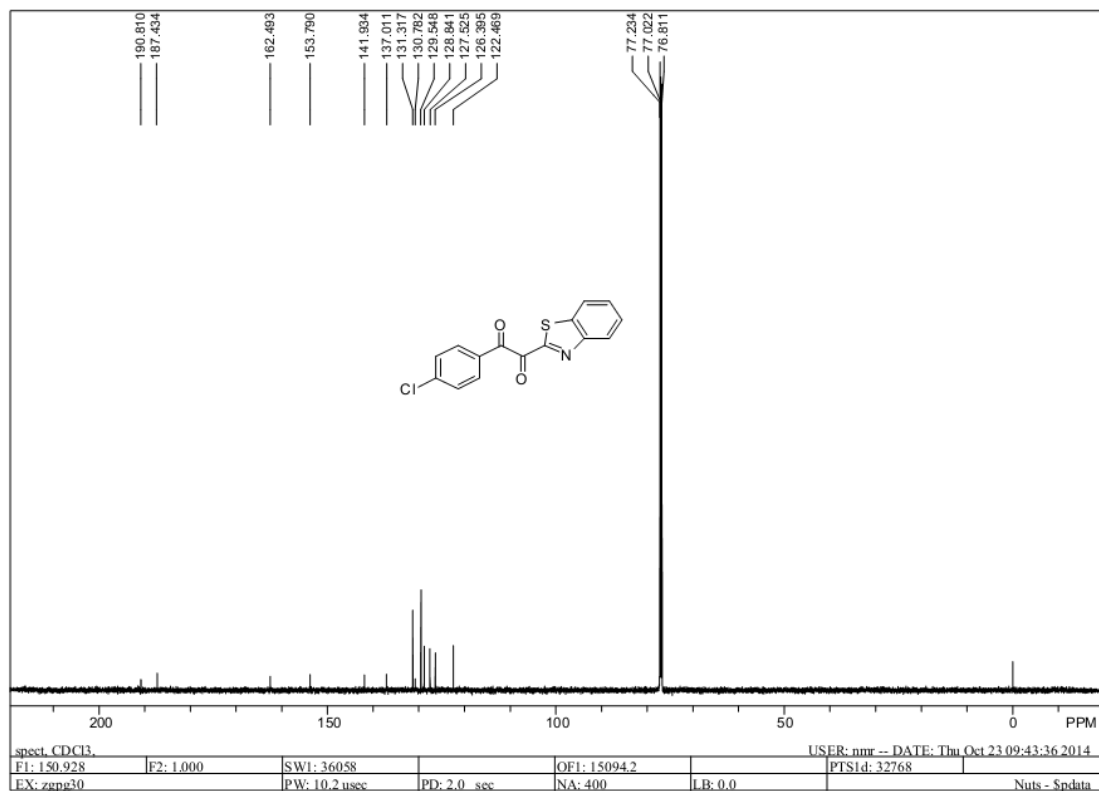
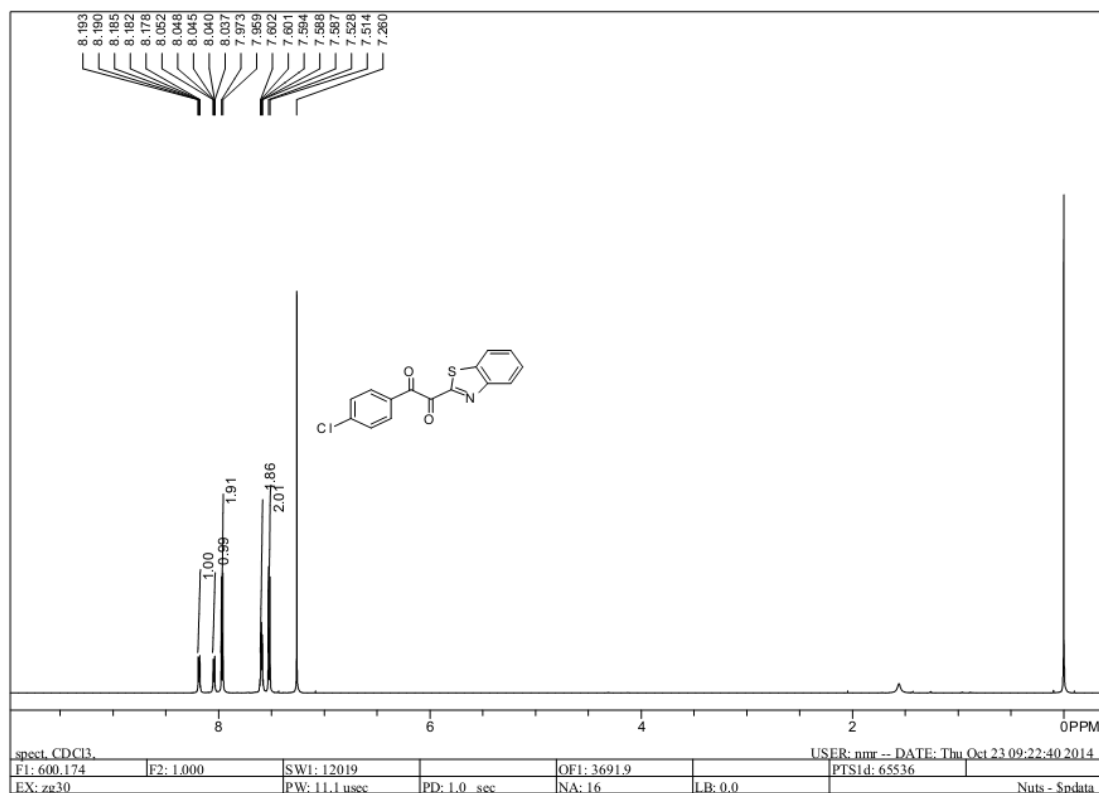
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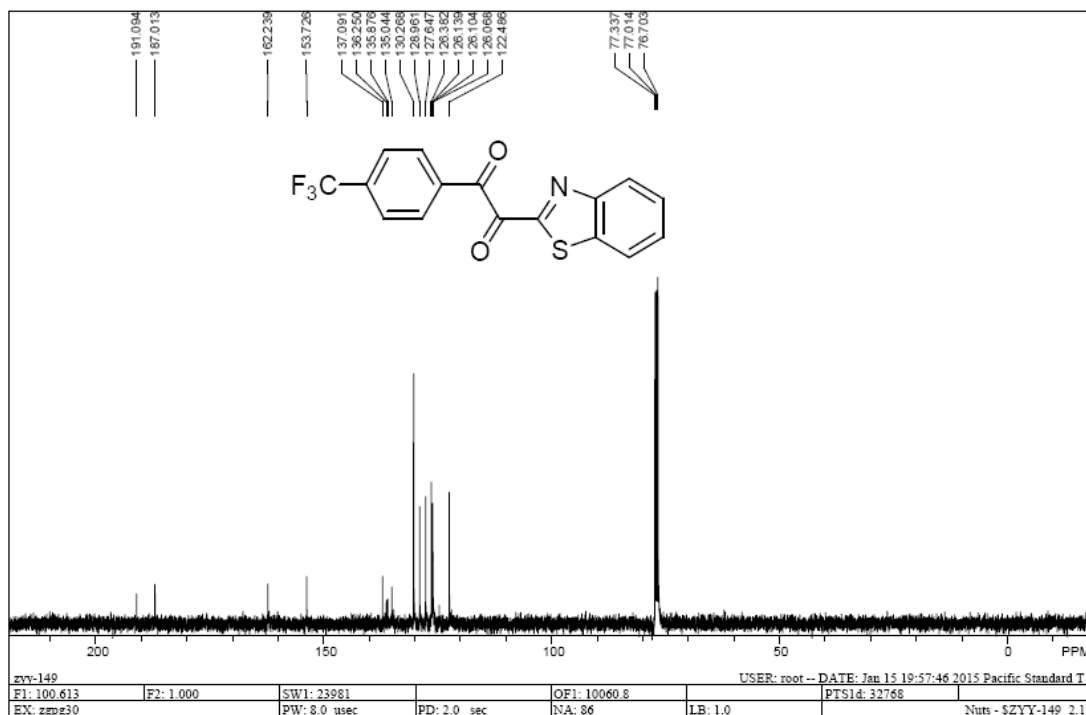
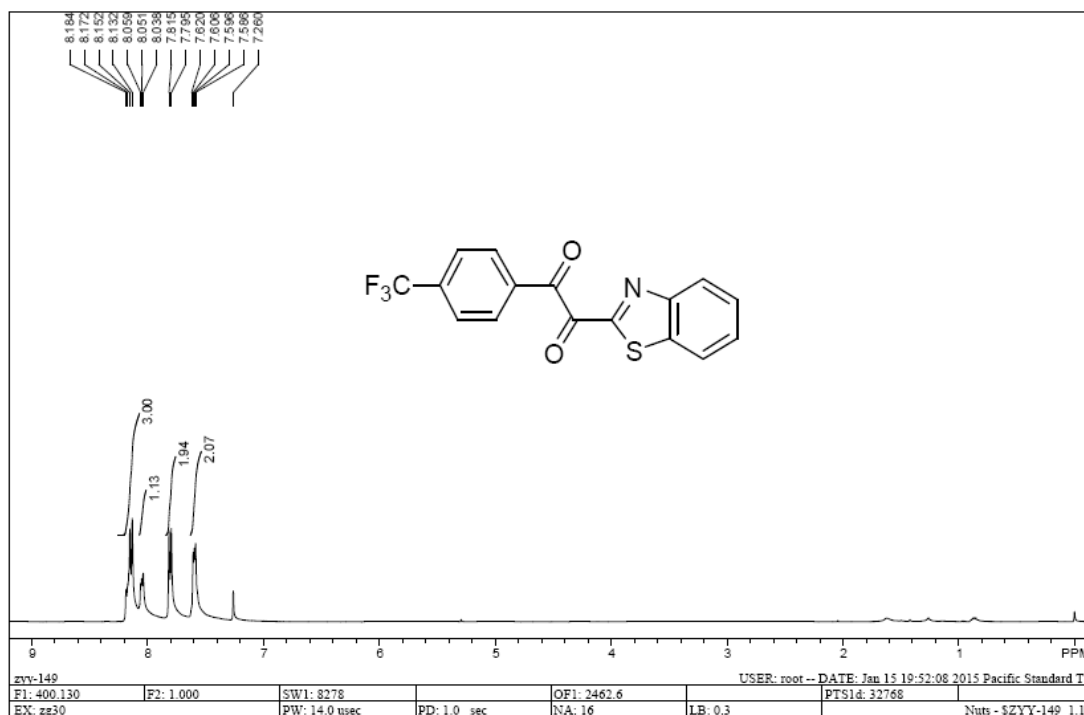
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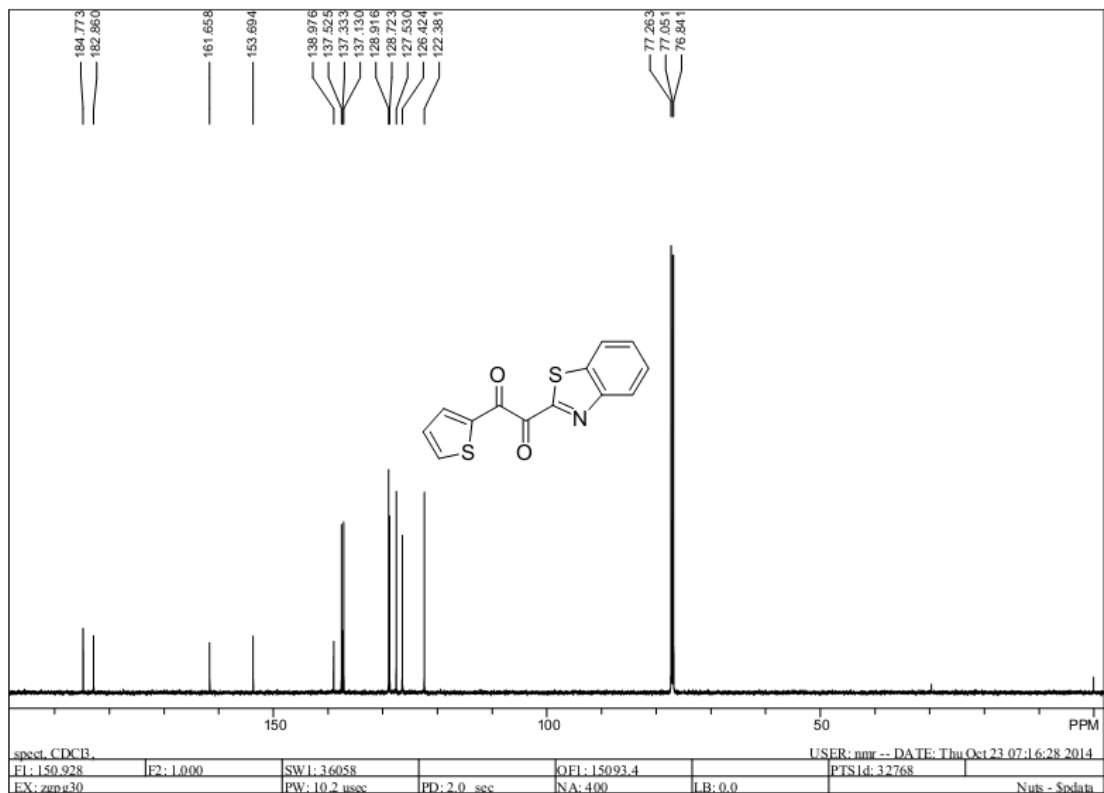
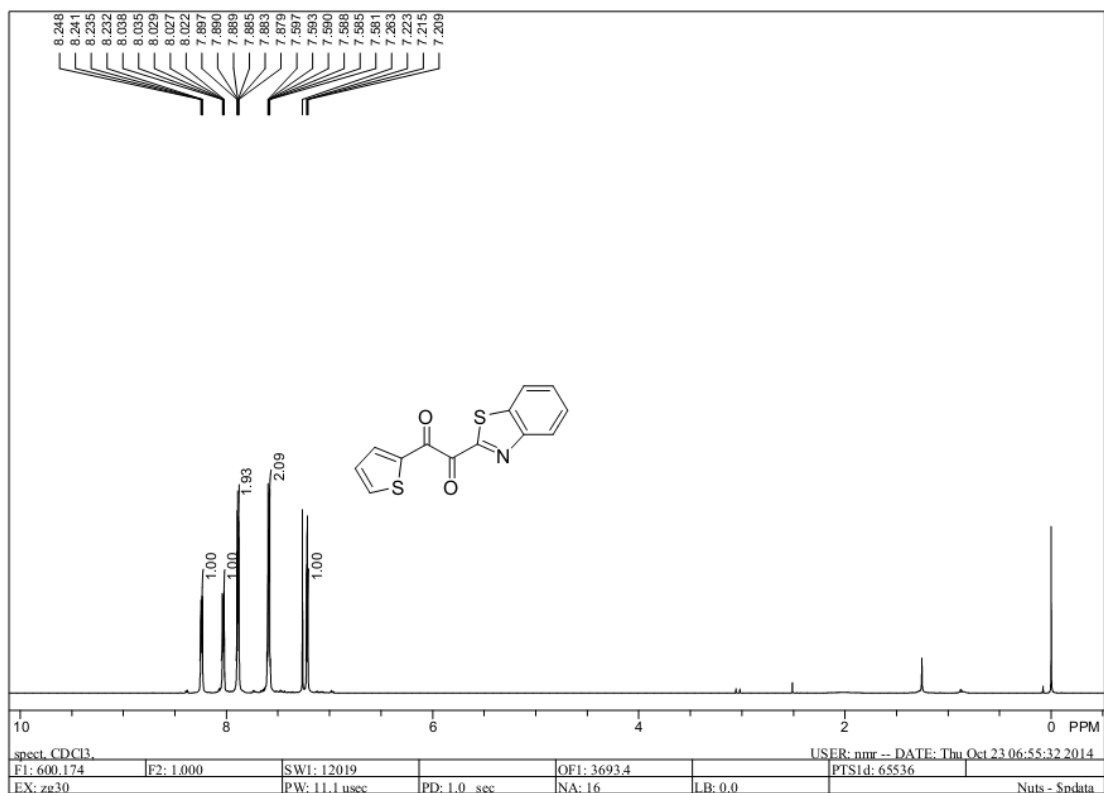
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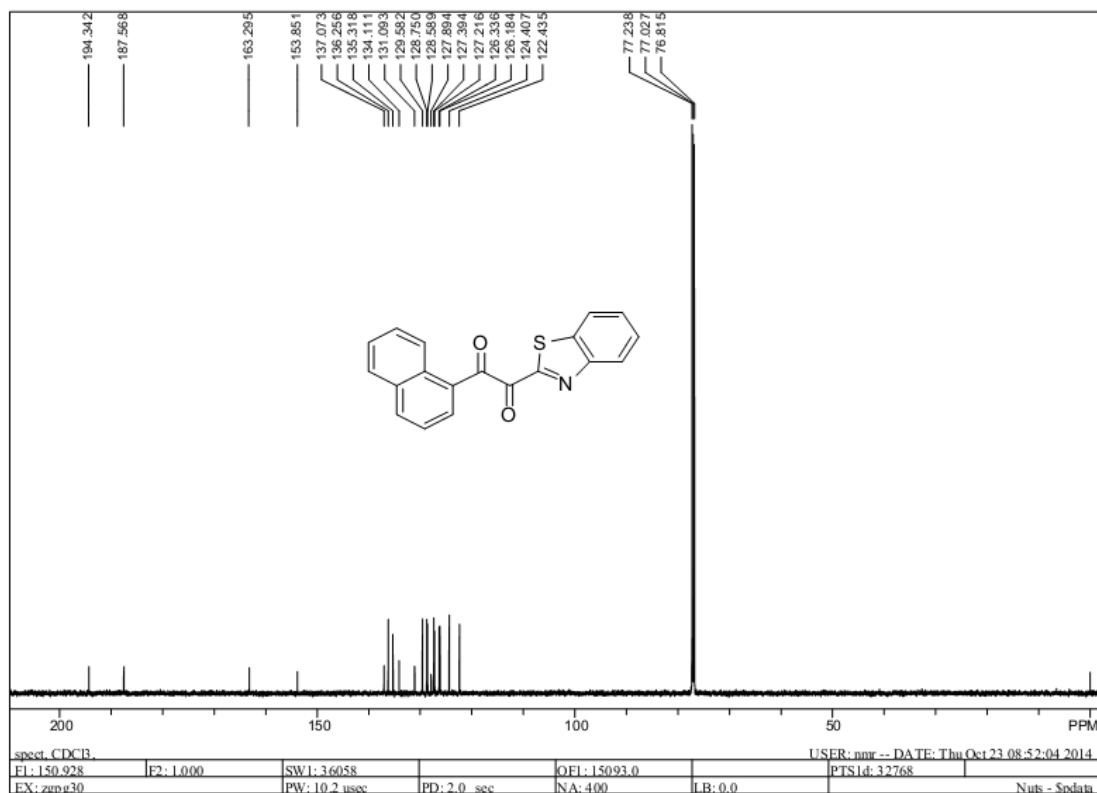
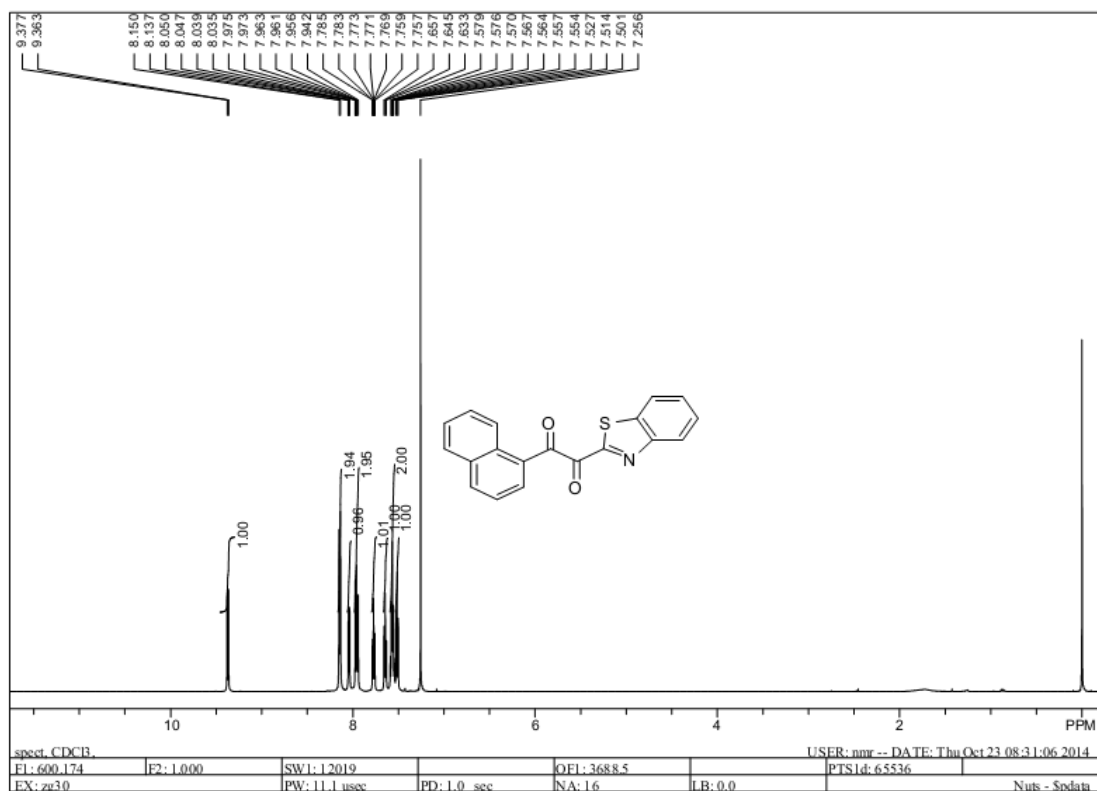
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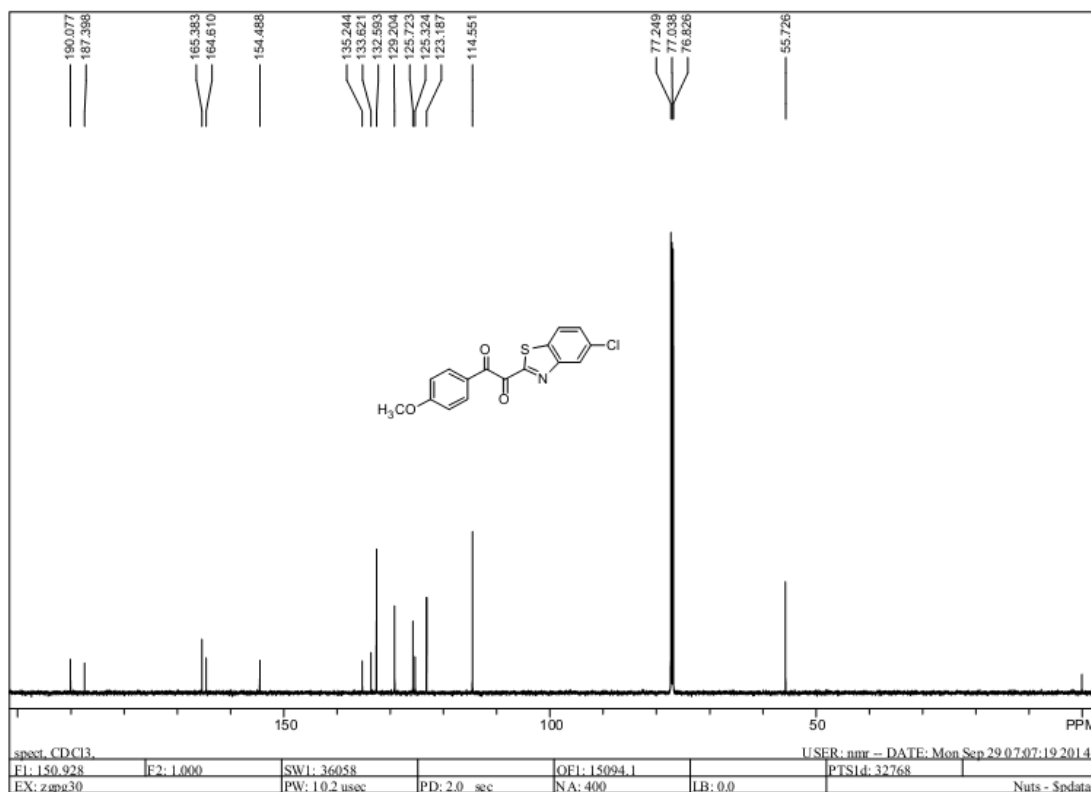
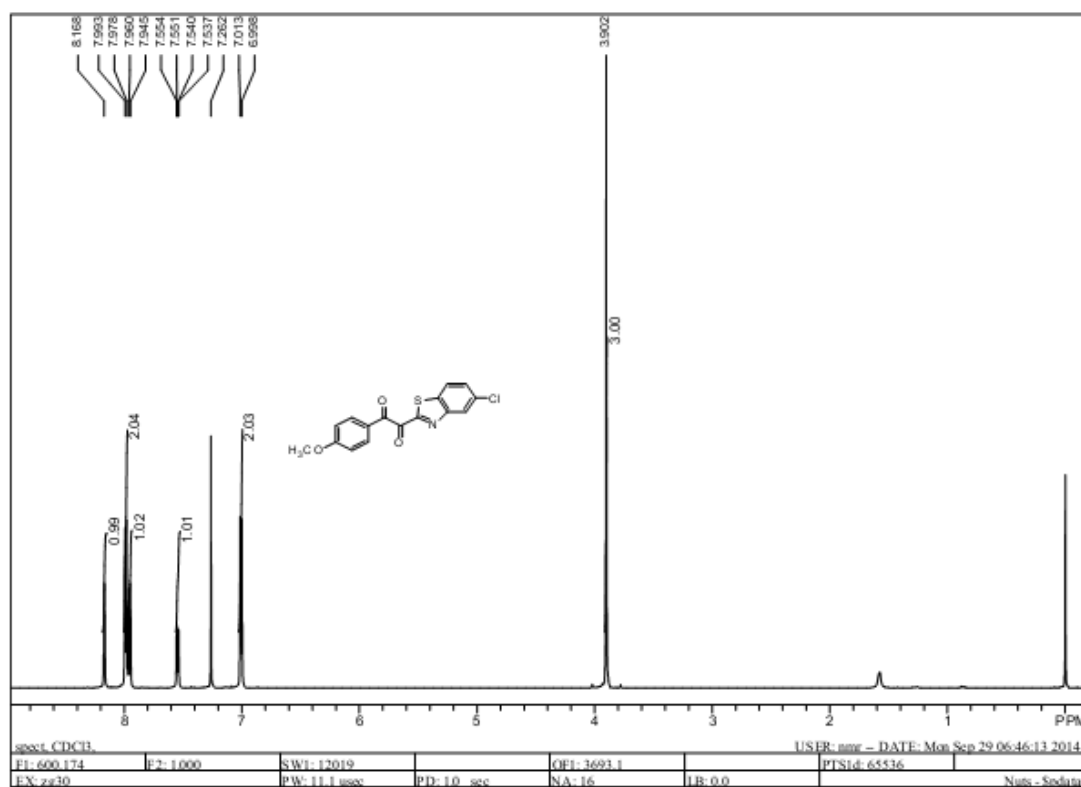
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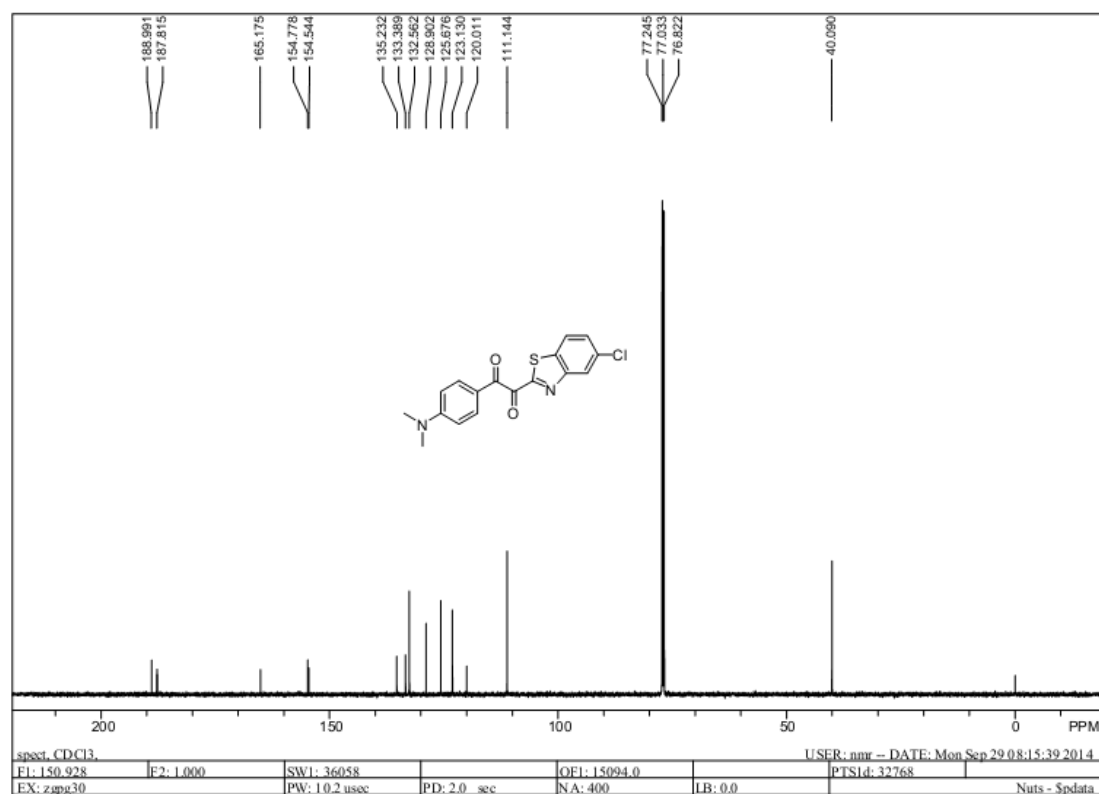
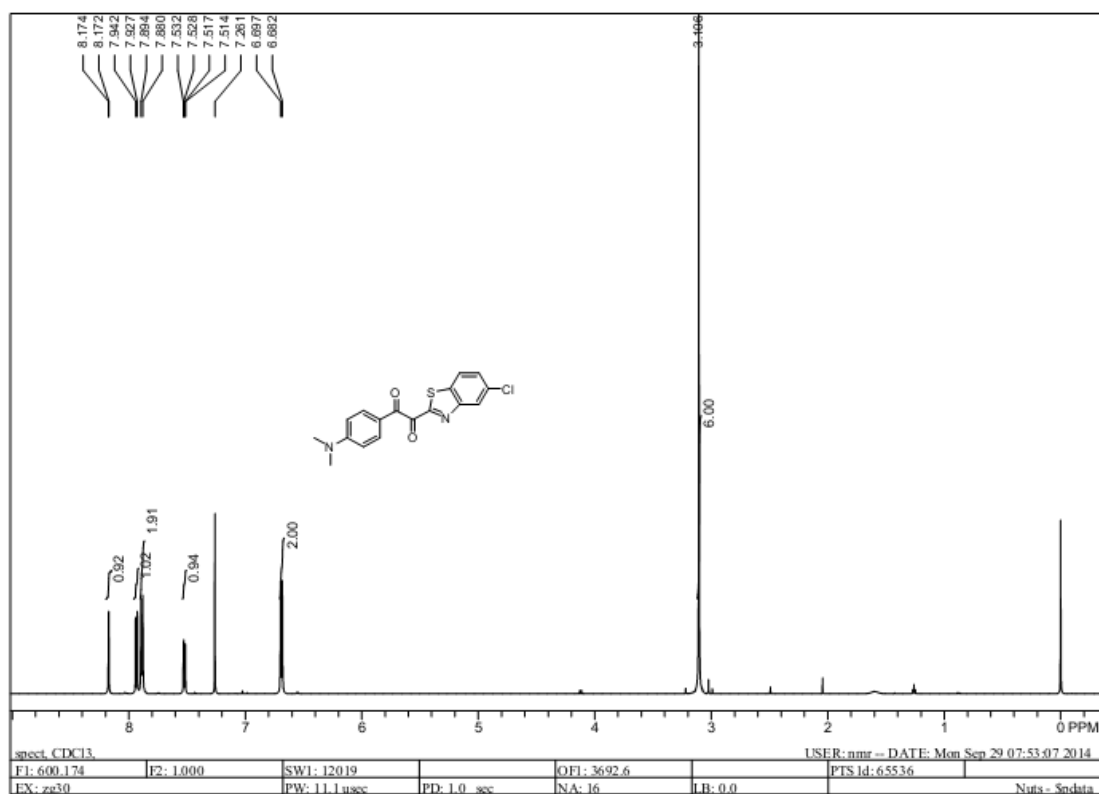
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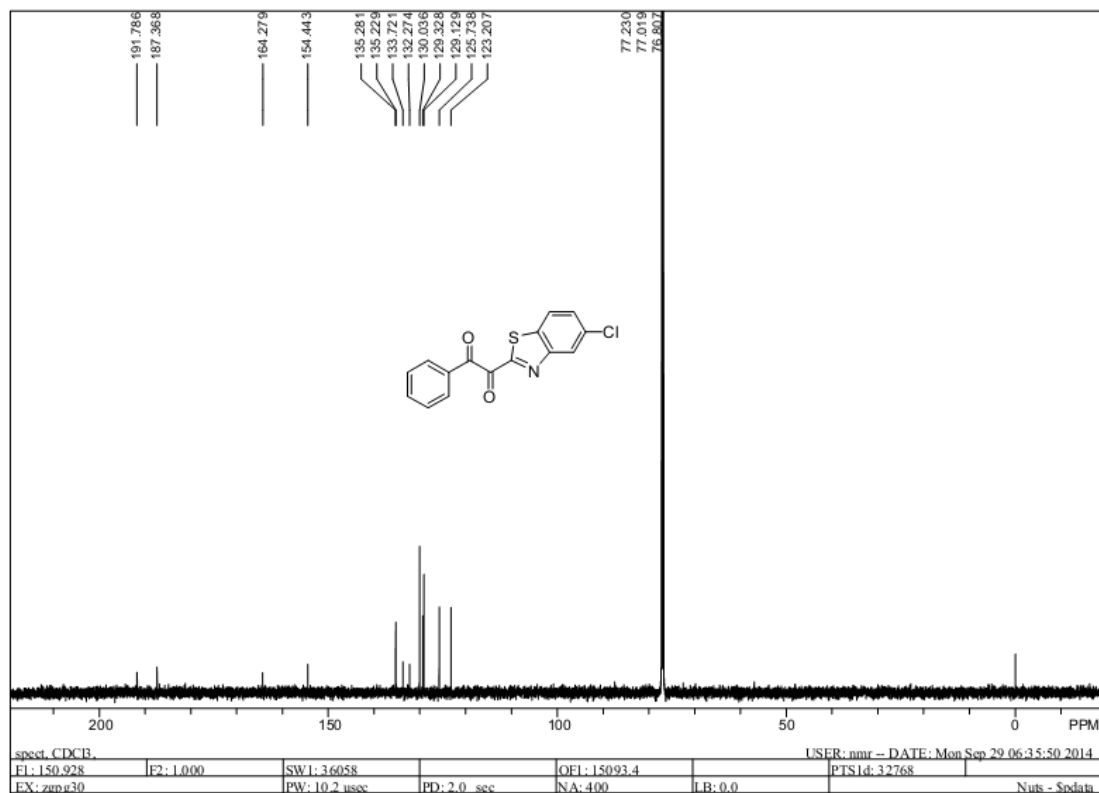
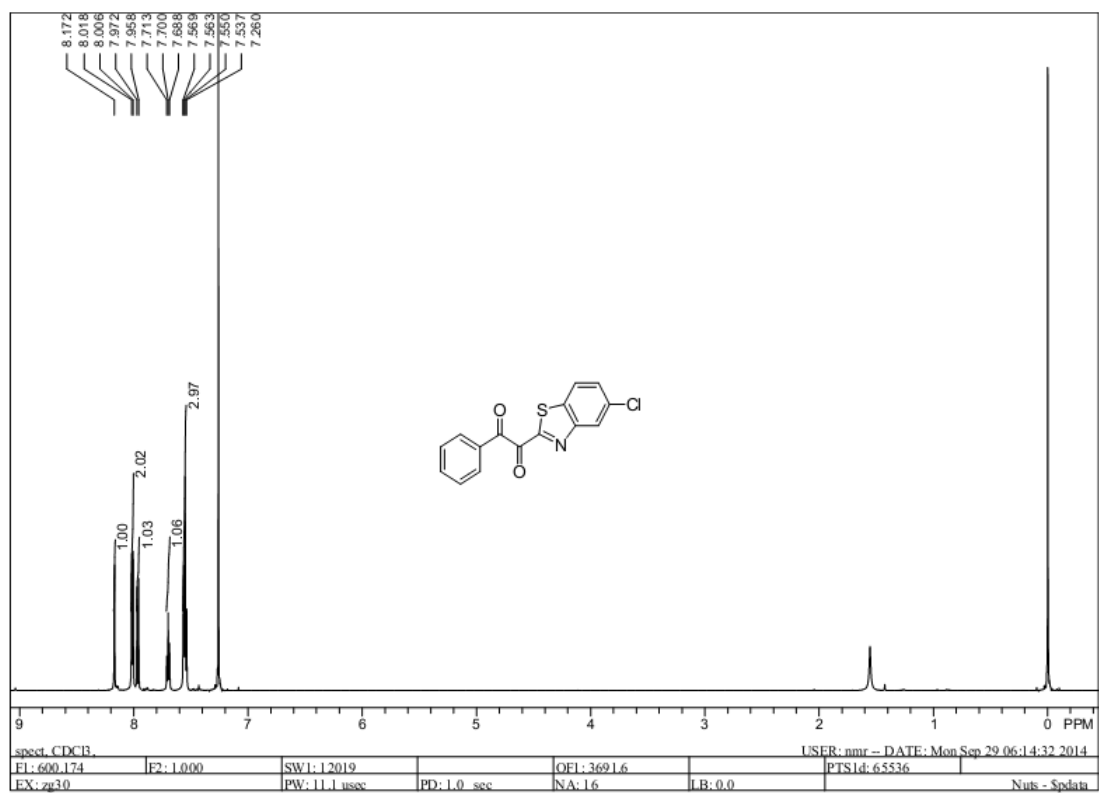
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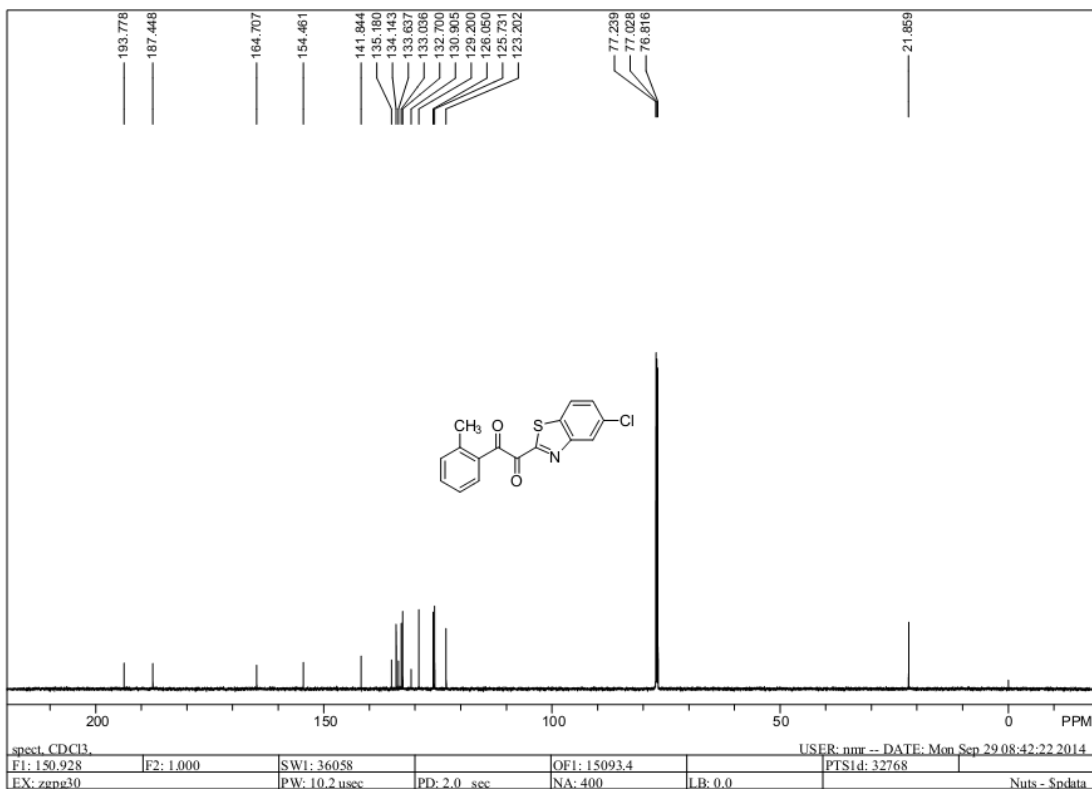
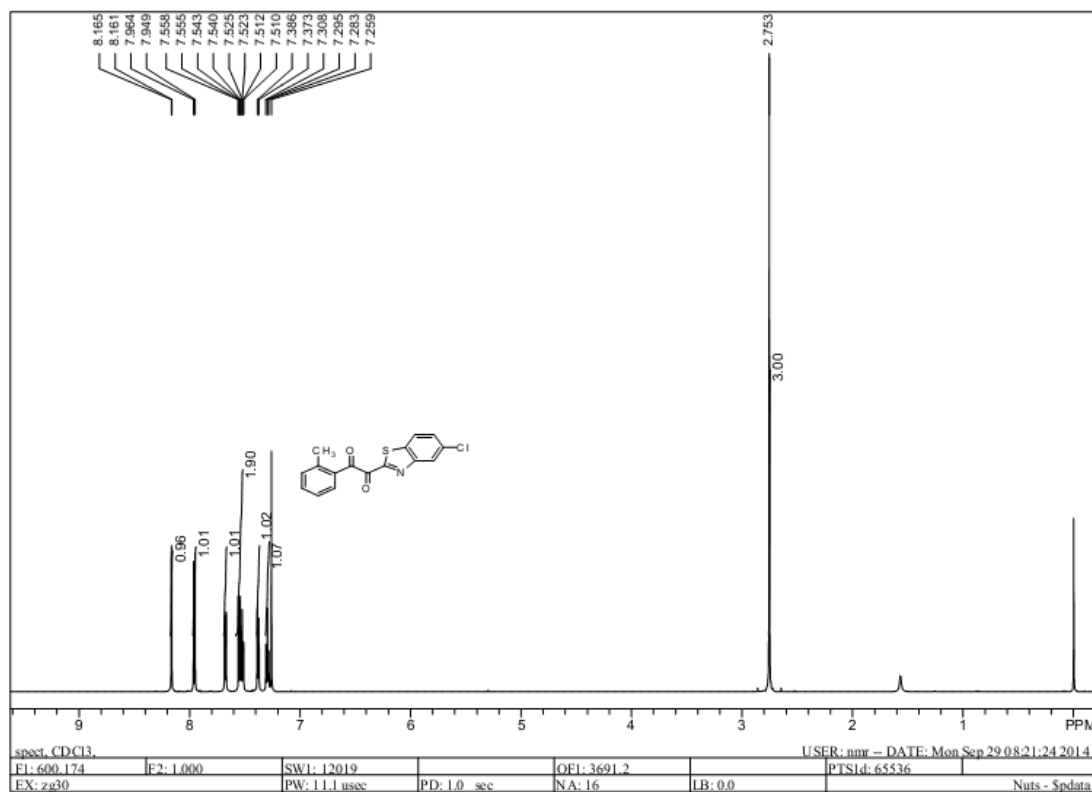
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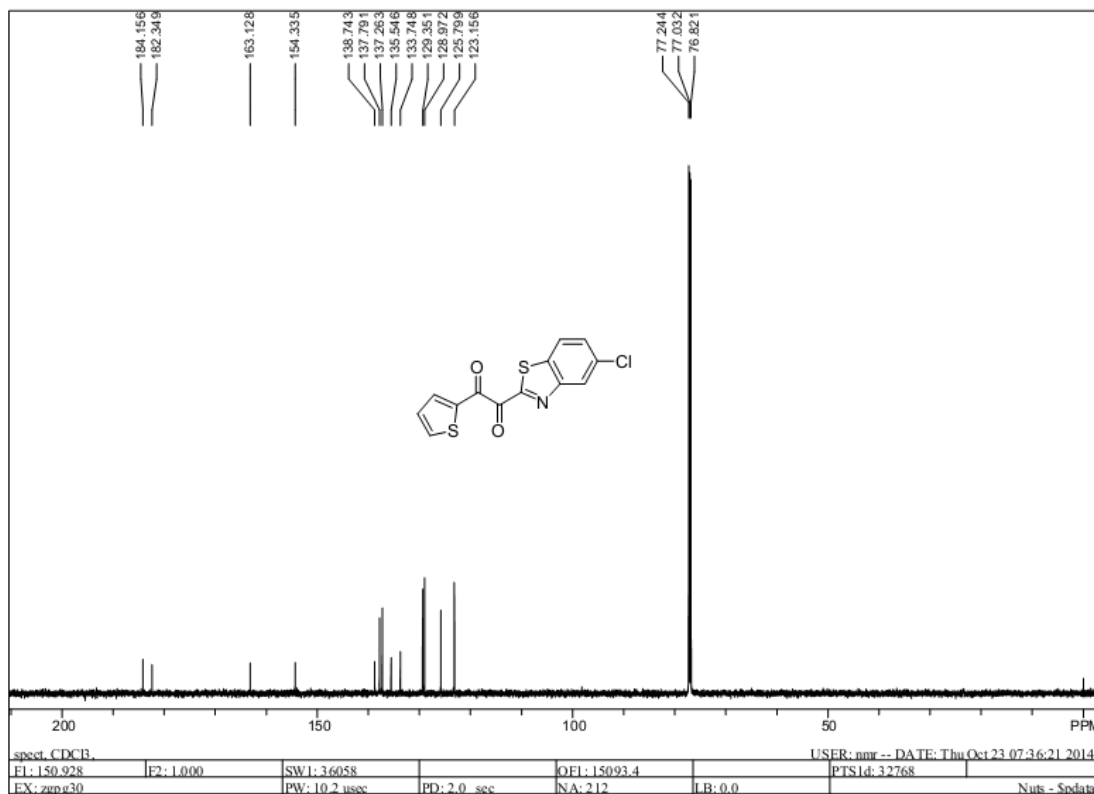
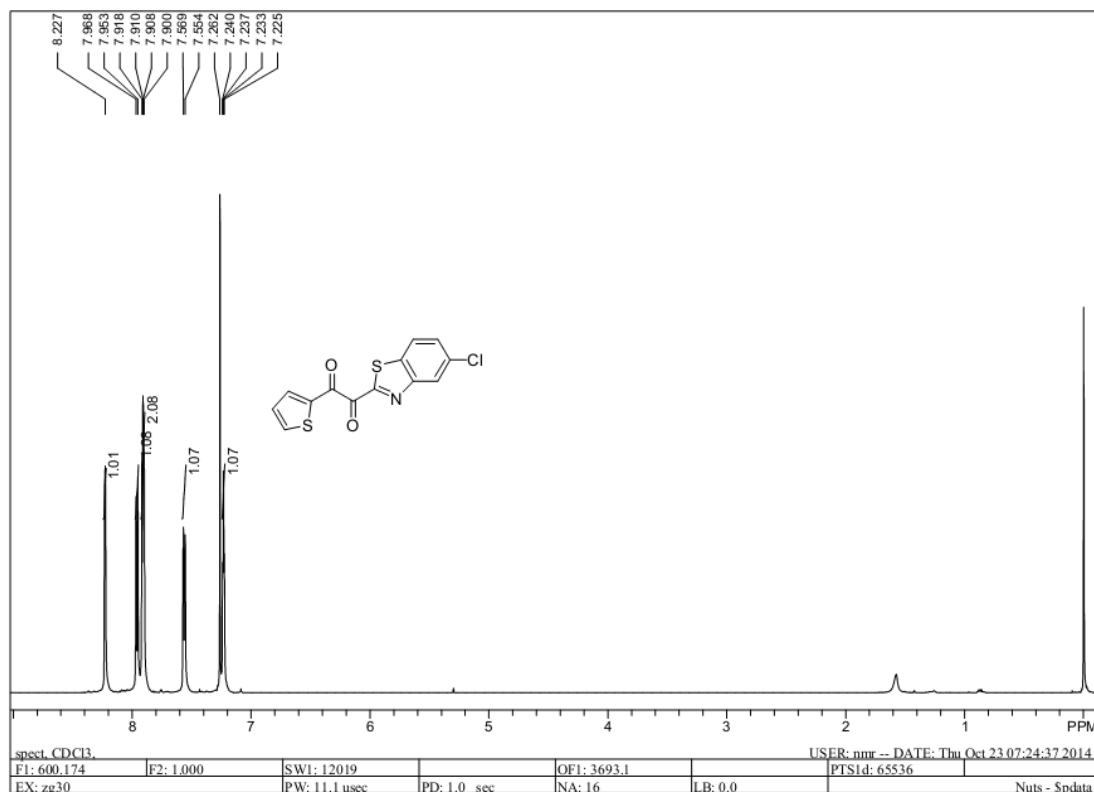
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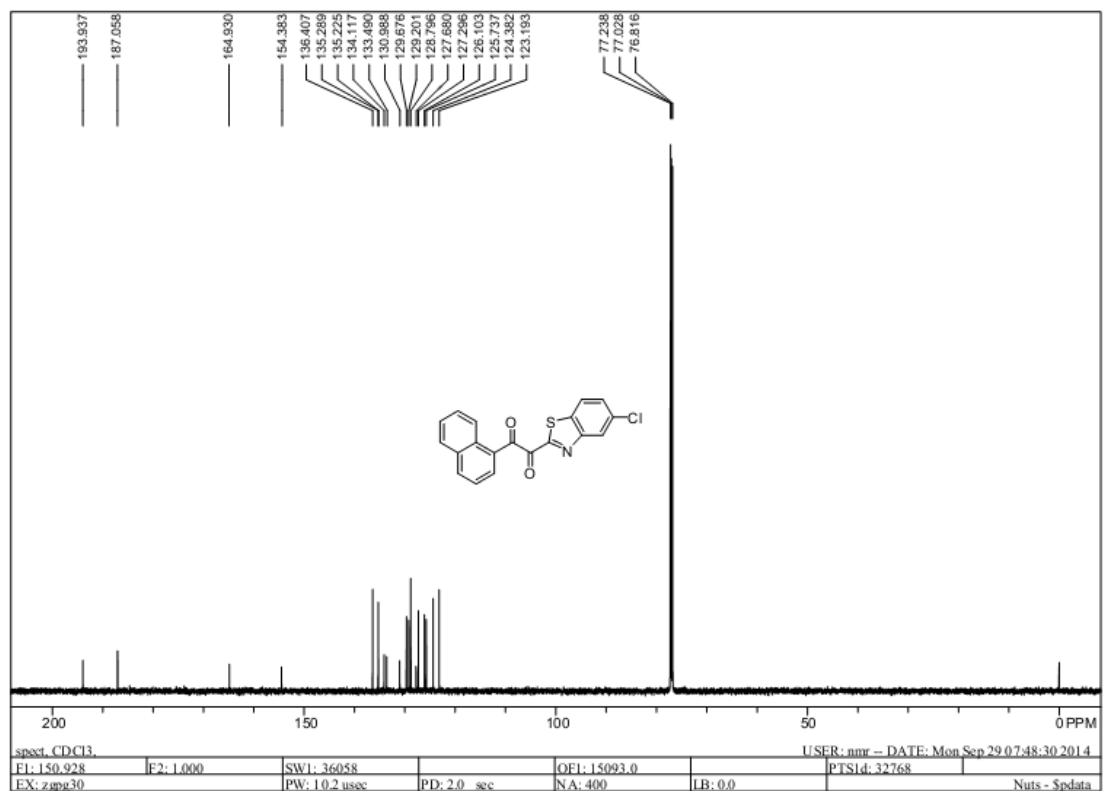
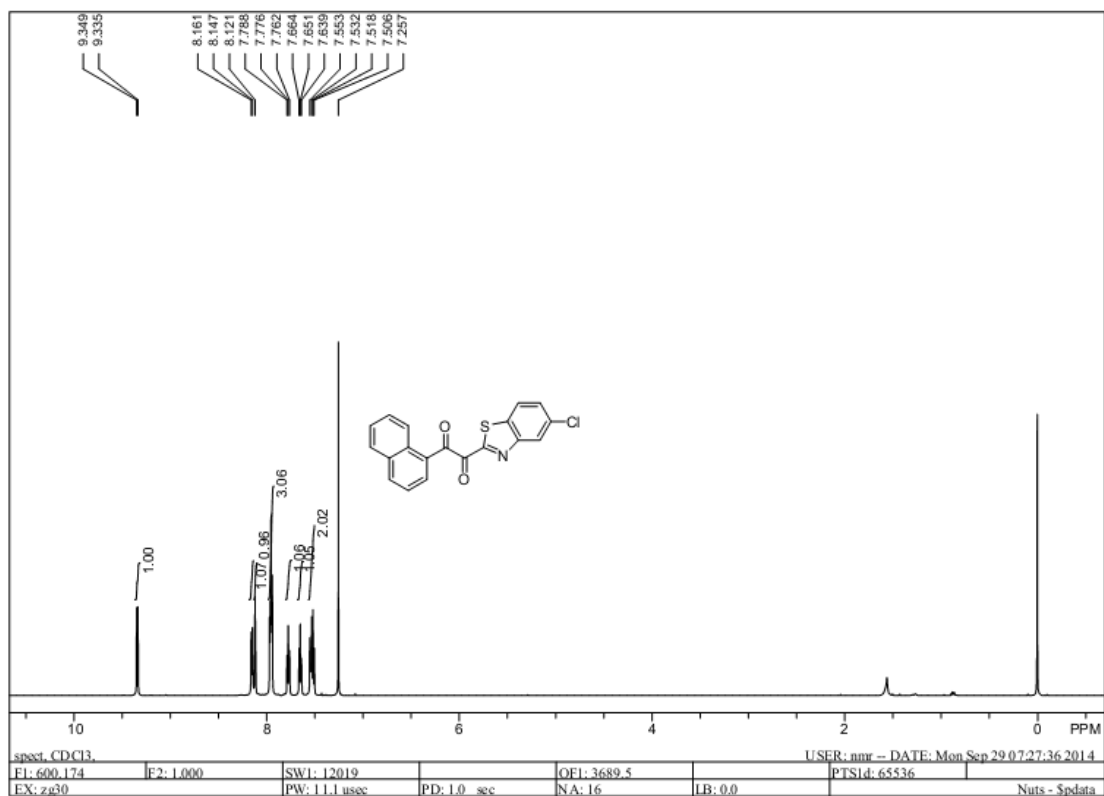
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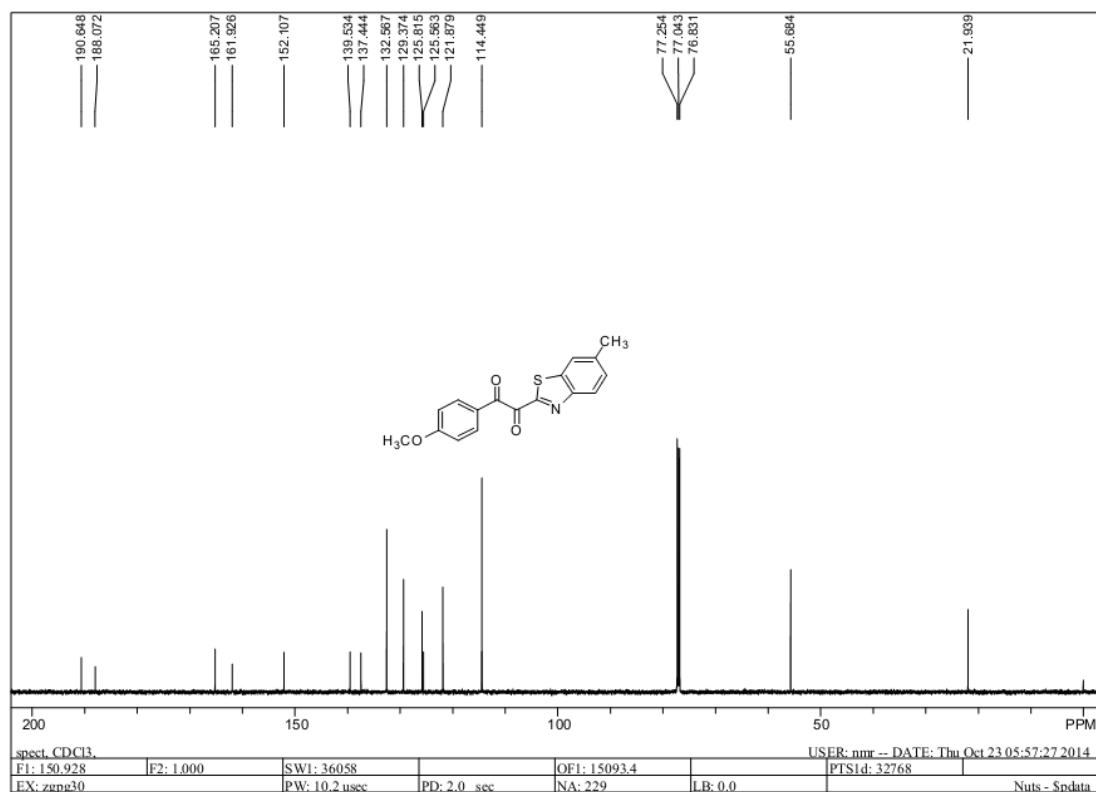
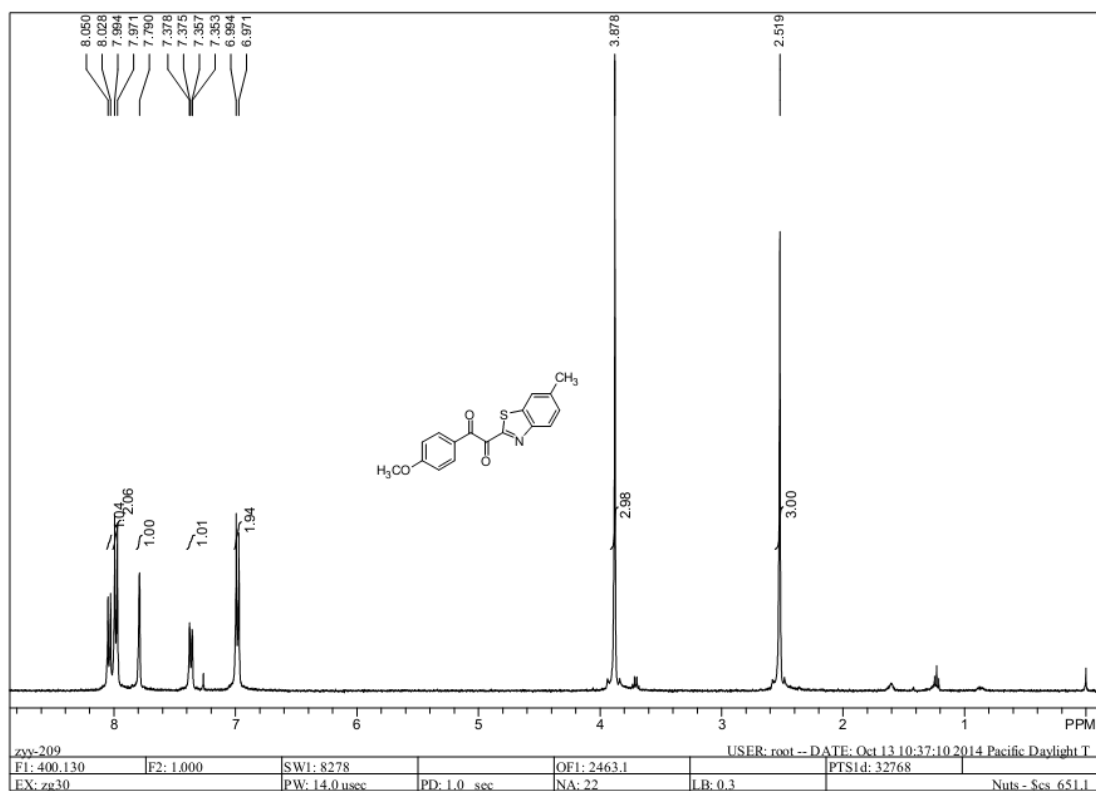
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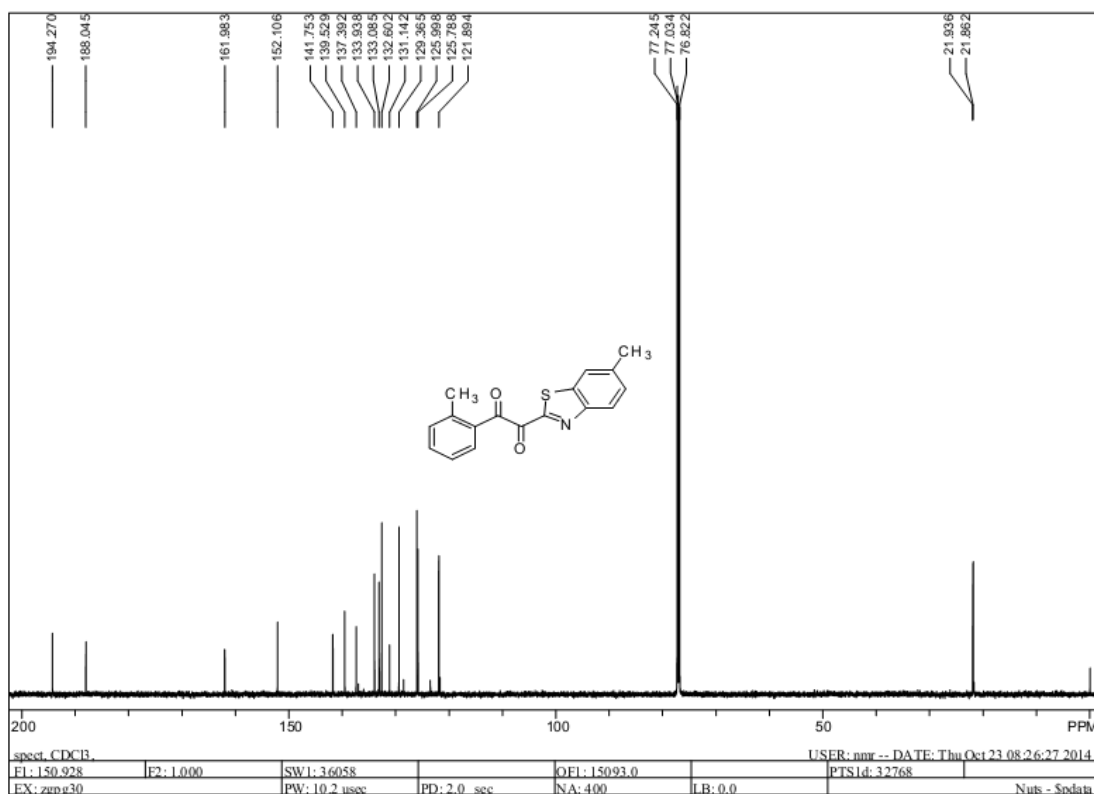
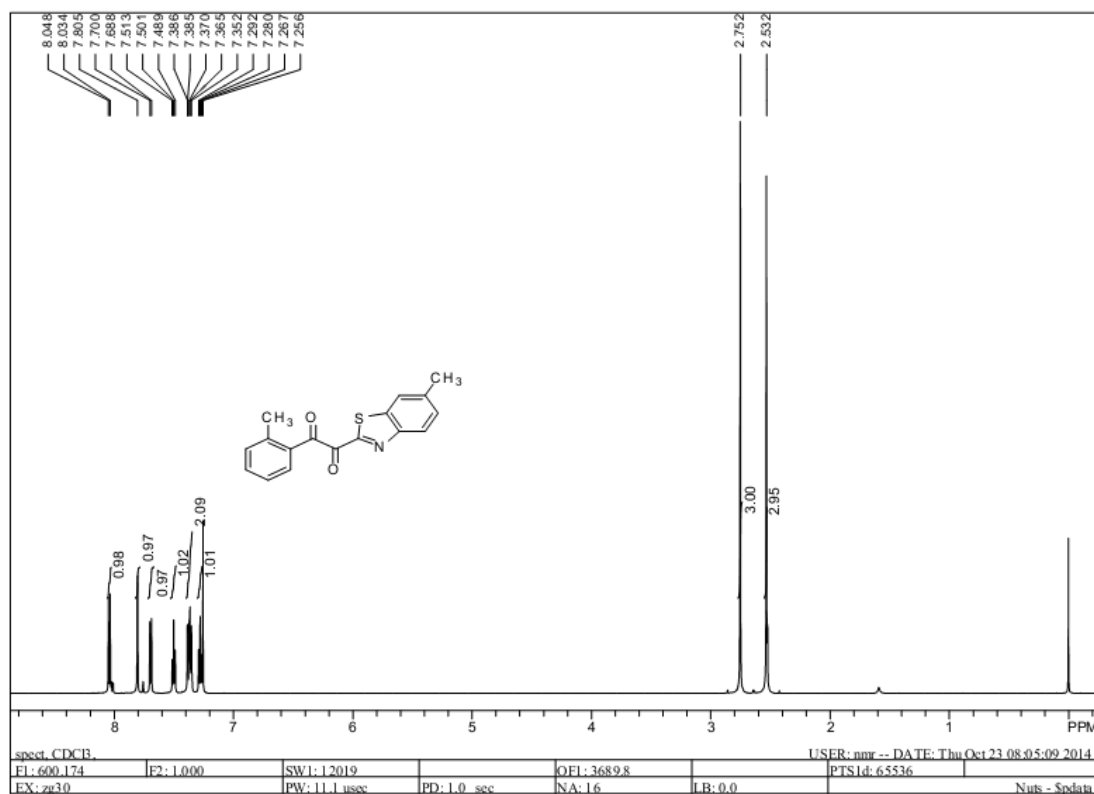
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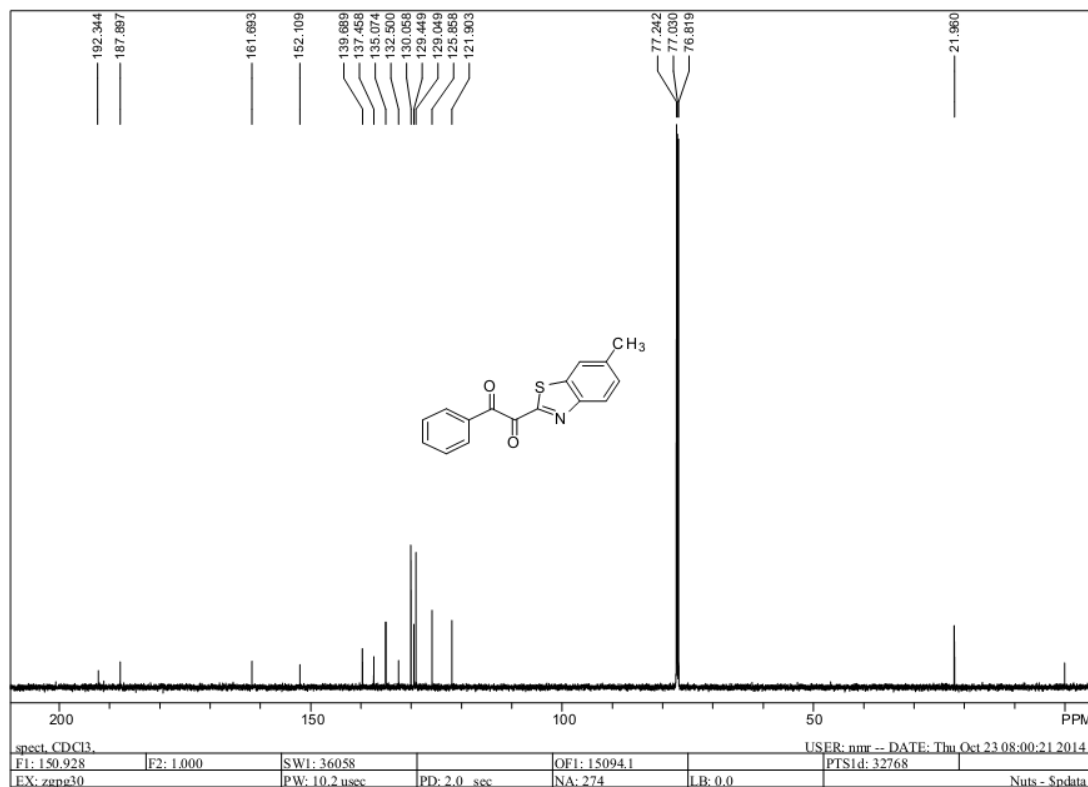
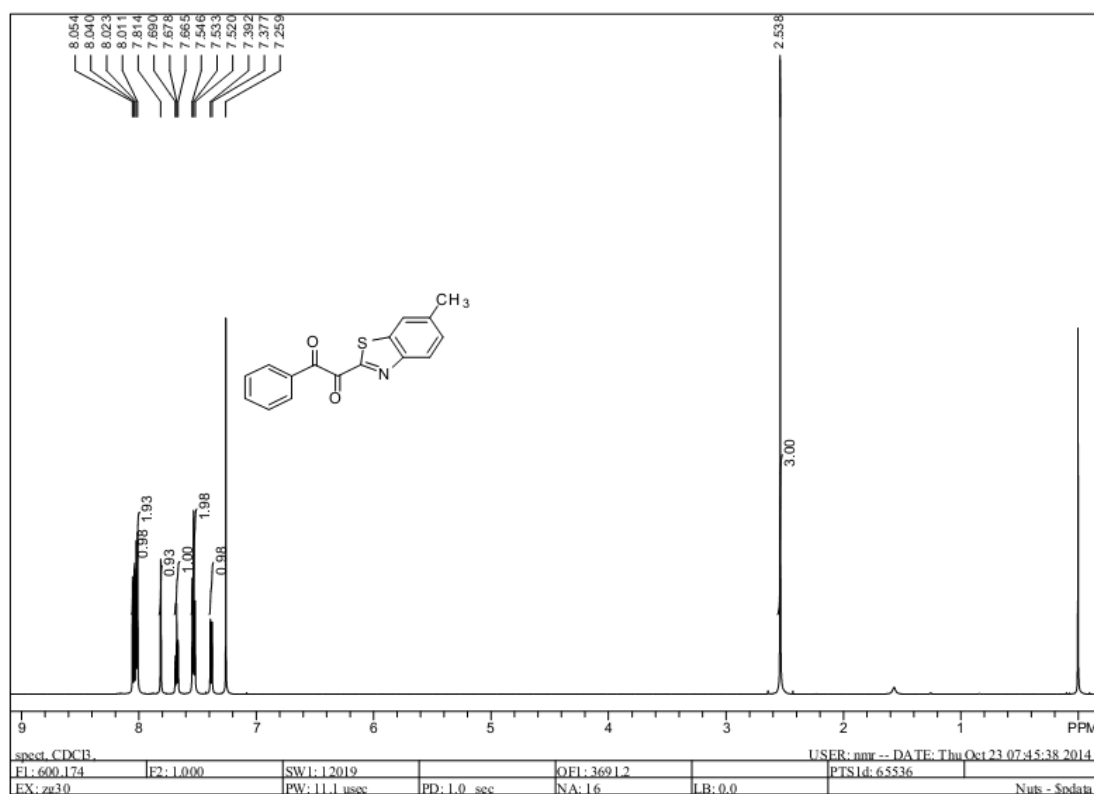
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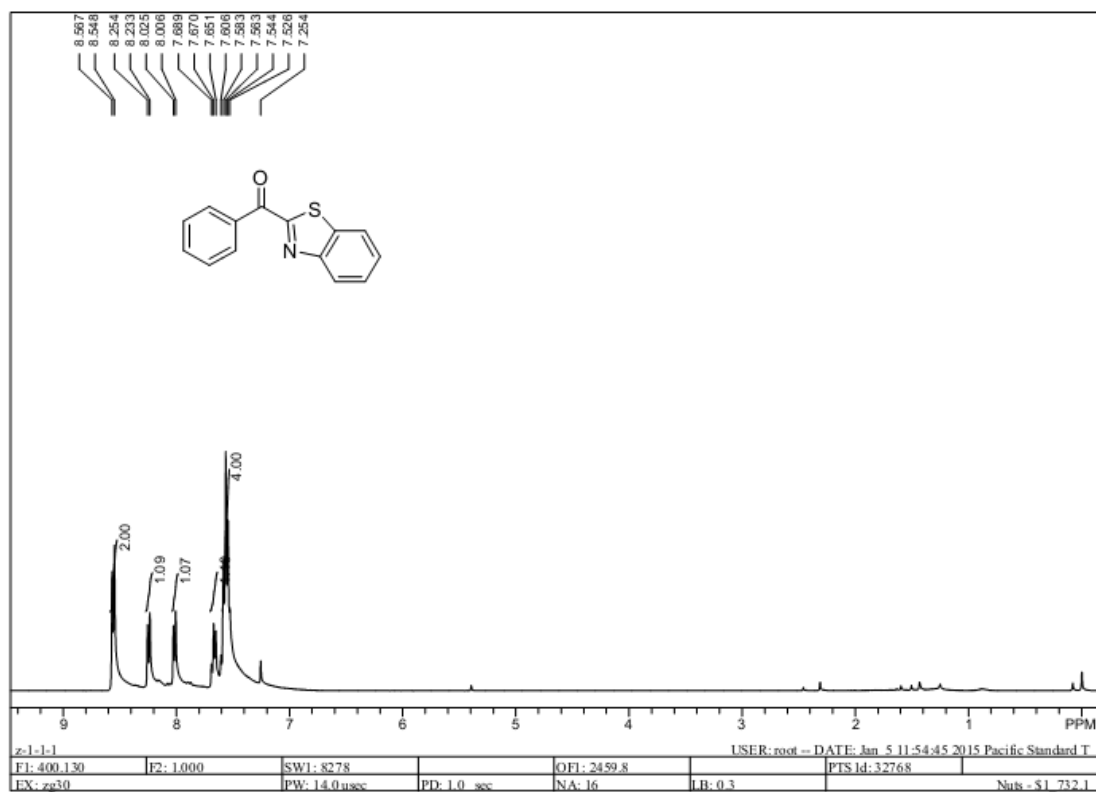
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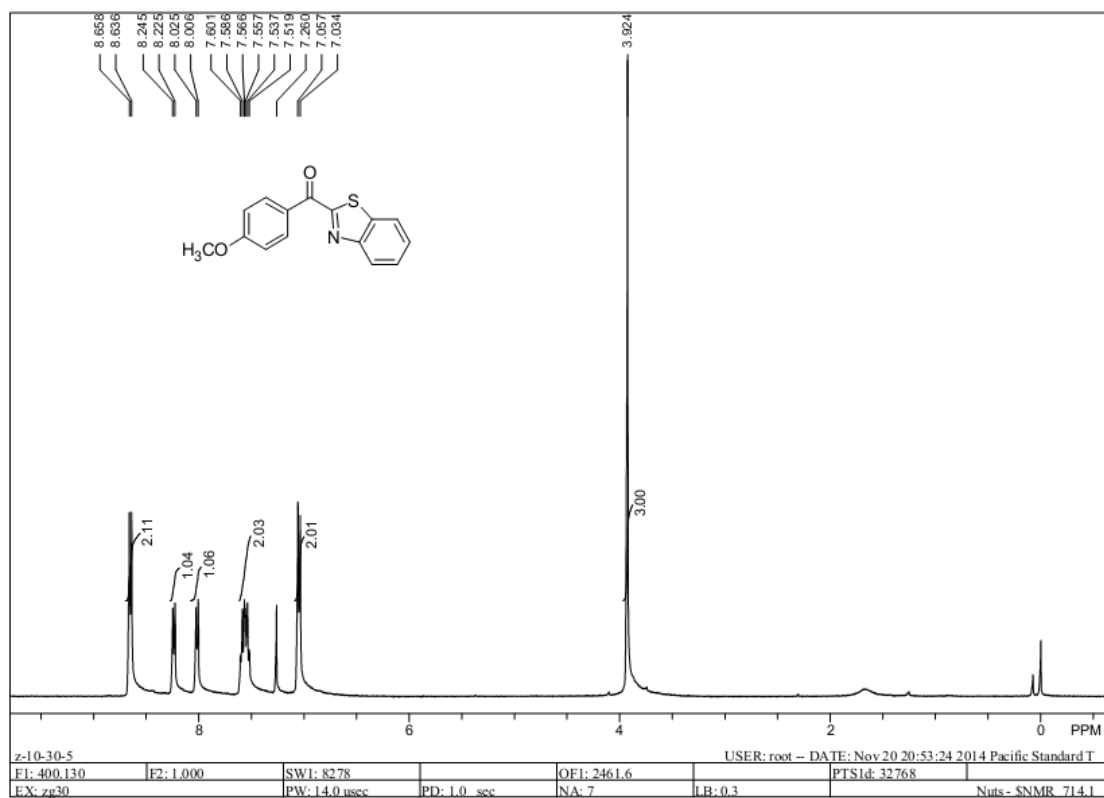
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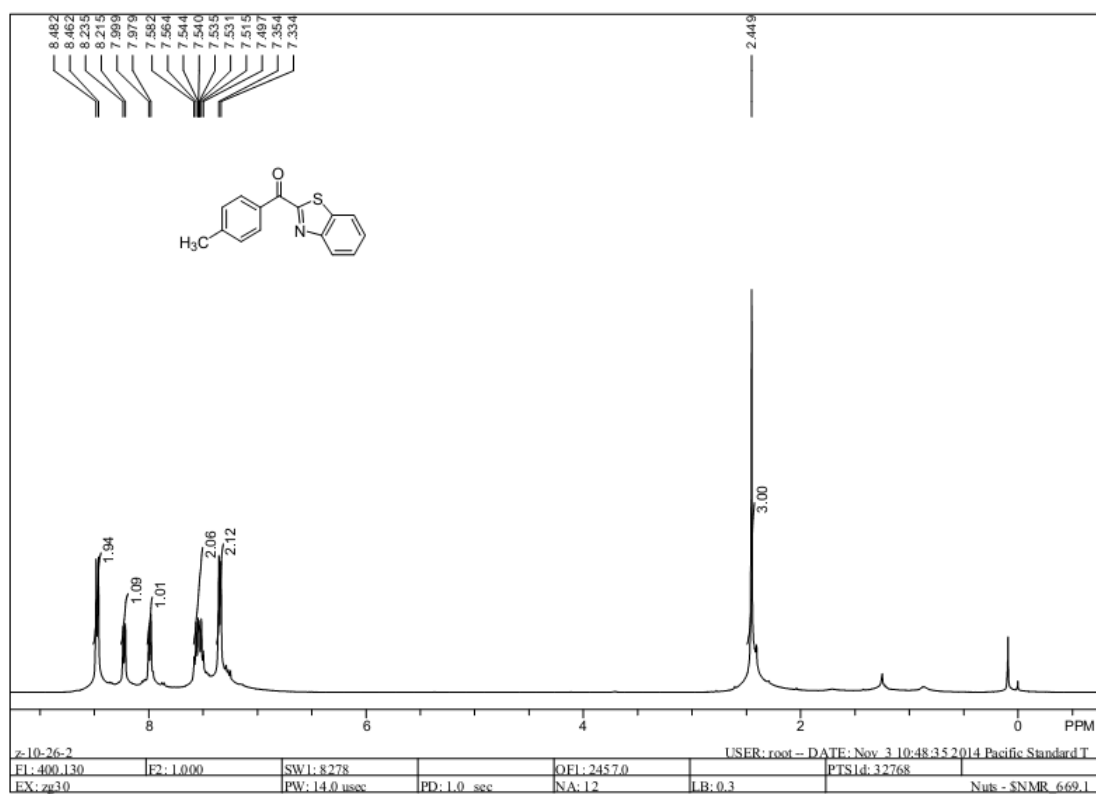
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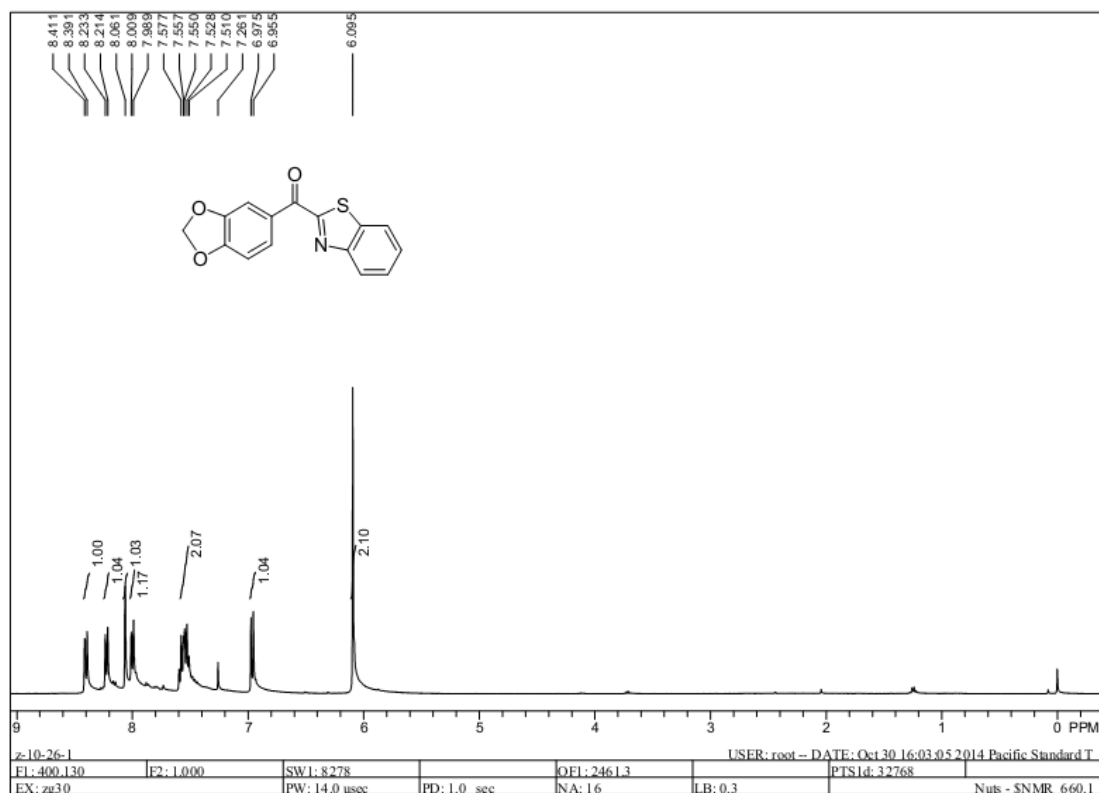
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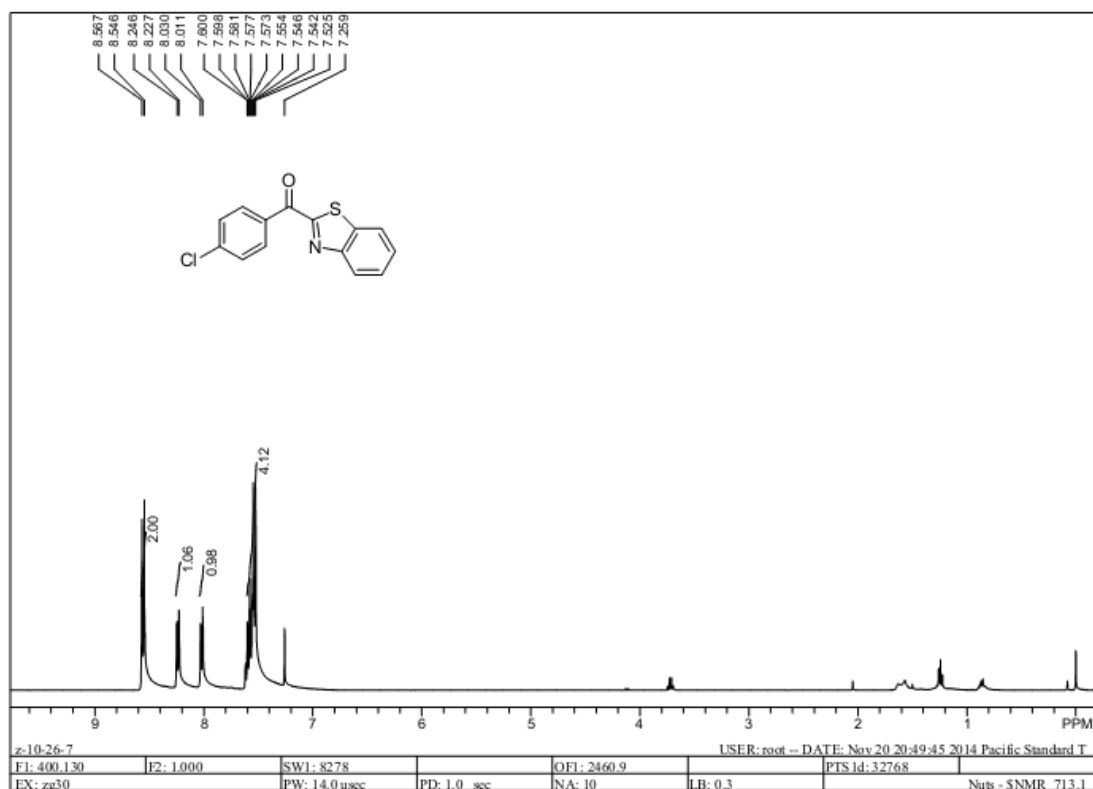
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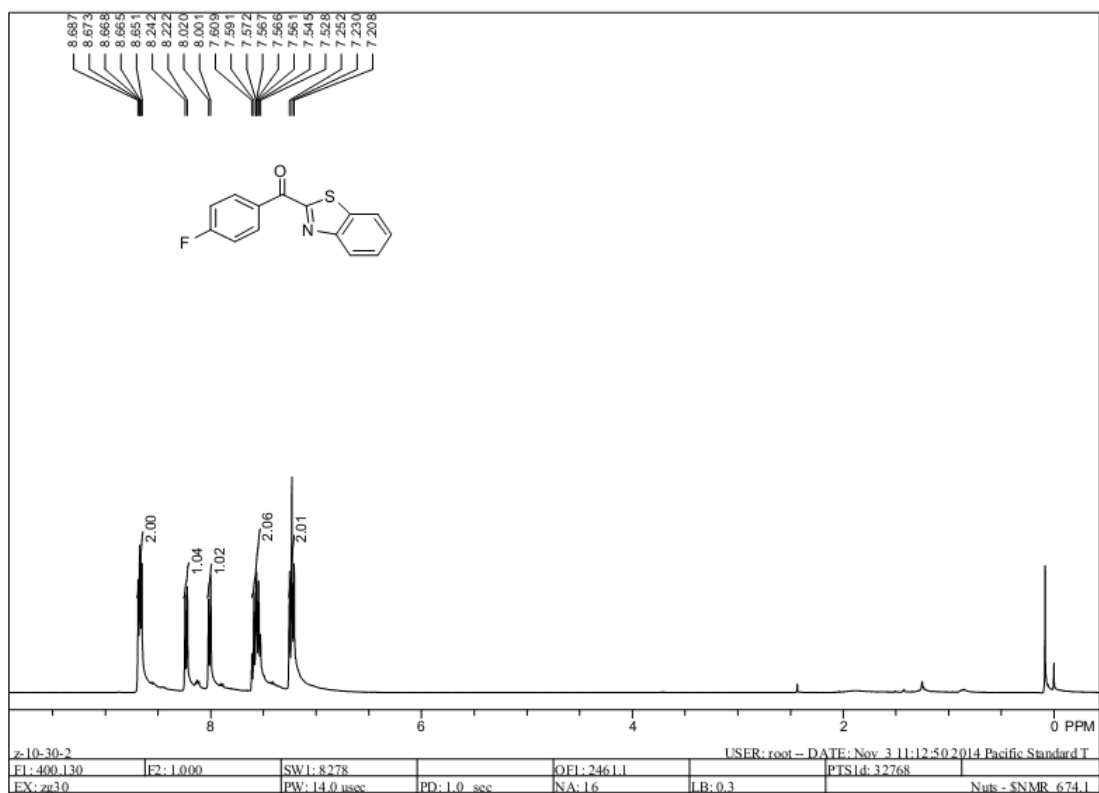
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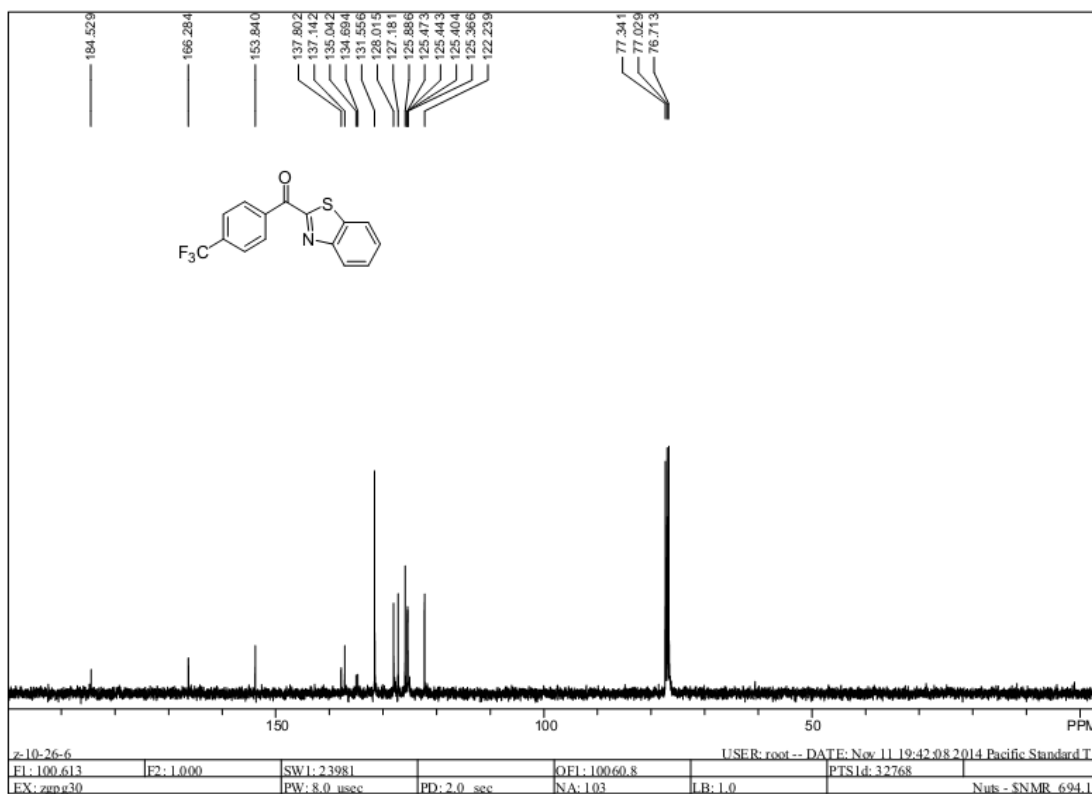
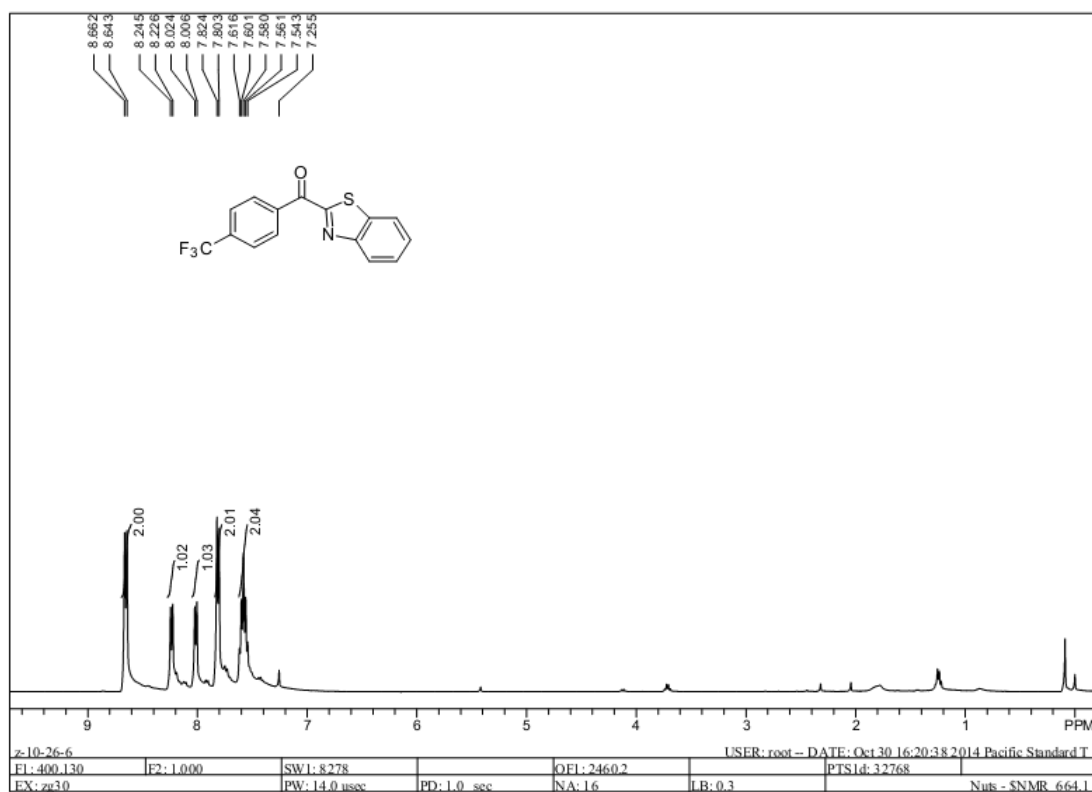
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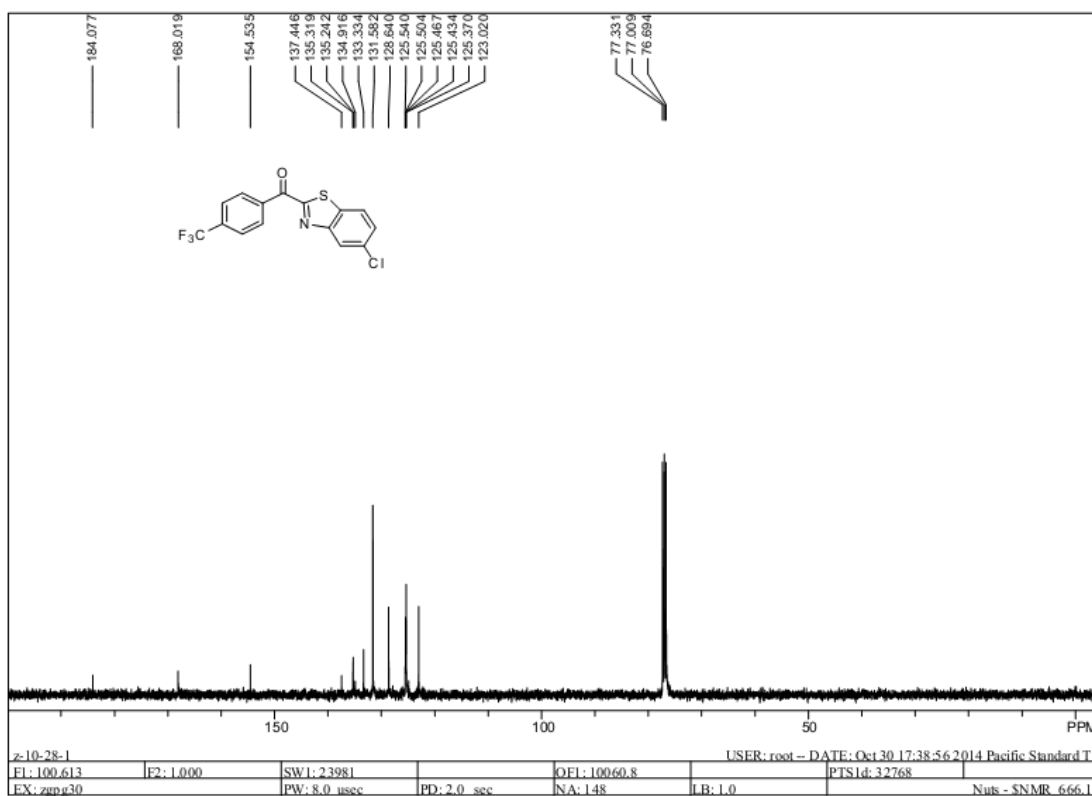
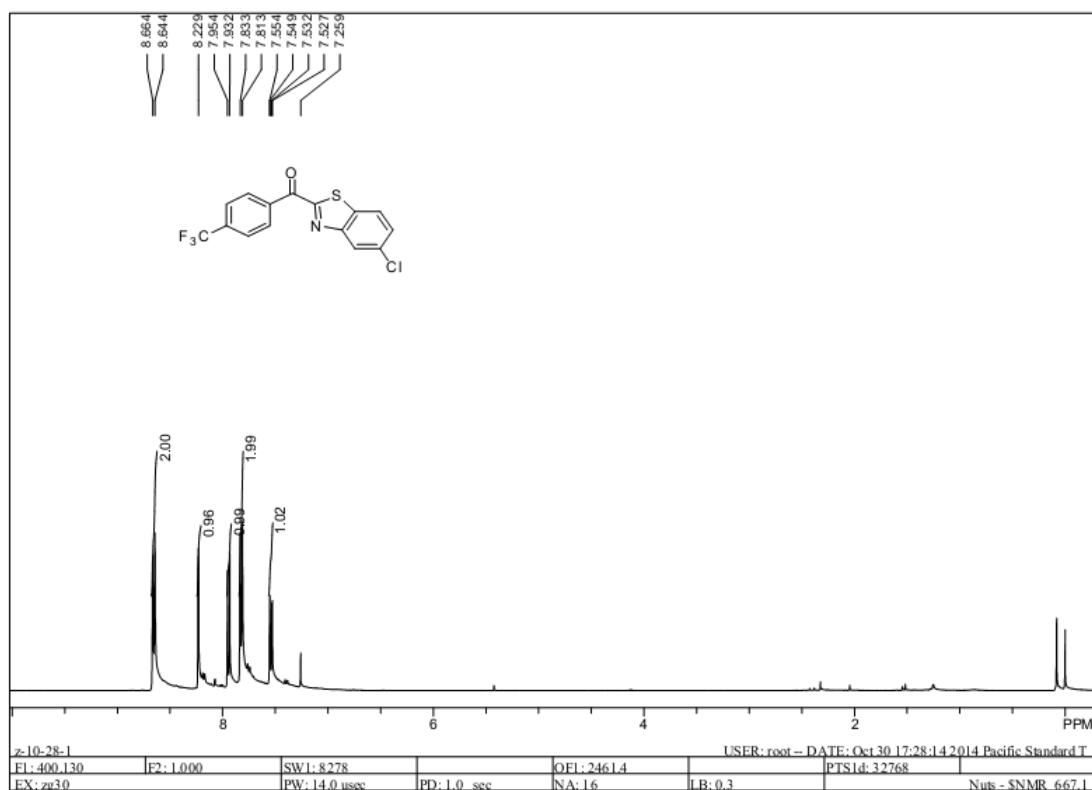
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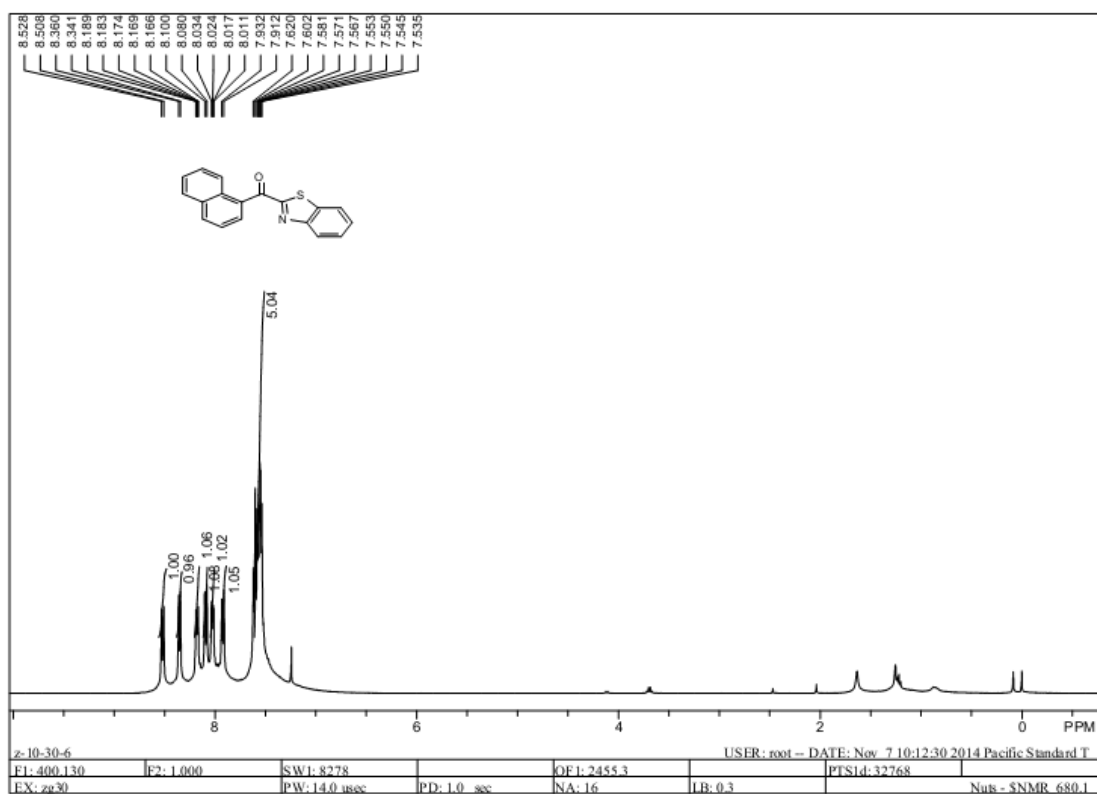
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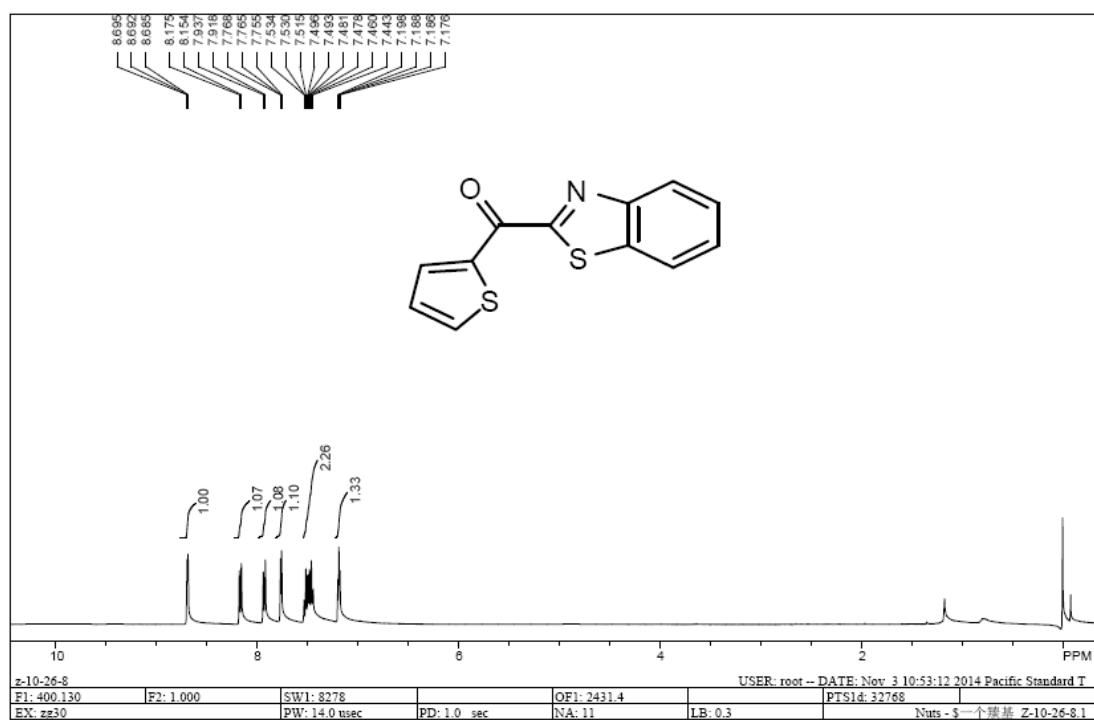
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¹H NMR spectrum of **4j** (Known compound)



Crystal structure of **3i**

