

Step economical synthesis of *o*-aryl benzamides via C-H activation relayed by the *in situ* installation of directing group: a multicomponent method

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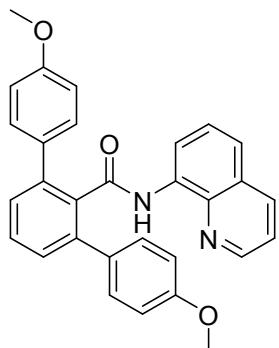
General experimental information

All chemicals and solvents used in the experiments were obtained from commercial sources and used directly without further treatment. All reactions were performed in open air conditions. The ¹H and ¹³C NMR were recorded in 400 MHz apparatus using CDCl₃ as solvent, the frequency for ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR test are 400 MHz and 100 MHz, respectively. The chemical shifts were reported in ppm using TMS as internal standard. HRMS results were tested under ESI model in a spectrometer equipped with TOF analyzer. Melting points were tested in X-4A instrument without correcting temperature.

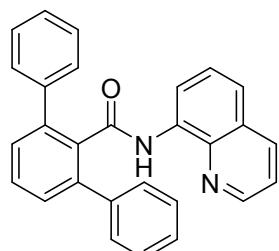
General procedure for the synthesis of benzamides **4** and **5**

In a 25 mL round bottom flask equipped with a condenser were located 8-aminoquinoline **1** (0.3 mmol), acyl chloride **2** (0.3 mmol), iodobenzene **3** (0.9 mmol)/(0.45 mmol in the synthesis of **5**), Pd(OAc)₂ (0.009 mmol), K₂CO₃ (0.6 mmol) and xylene (2 mL). The mixture was stirred at 120 °C for 12h. Upon completion (TCL), the reaction was allowed to cool down to room temperature, and 10 mL water was added. The heterogeneous mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate (3 × 10 mL). The combined organic phase was dried over Na₂SO₄. After filtering, the acquired solution was collected and the solvent was removed at reduced pressure. The residue was subjected to silica gel column chromatography to give pure products by using mixed petroleum ether and ethyl acetate (V_{PET}: V_{EA} = 5:1).

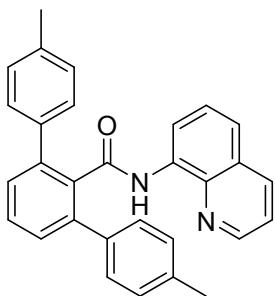
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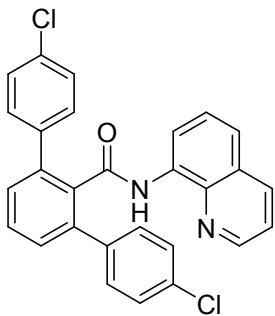
N-(Quinolin-8-yl)-2,6-di(*p*-methoxyphenyl) benzamide (4a).¹ White solid, mp 181-182 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 9.62 (s, 1 H), 8.59-8.55 (m, 2 H), 8.05 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.52 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1 H), 7.47 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 4 H), 7.43-7.40 (m, 4 H), 7.34 (q, *J* = 4.1 Hz, 1 H), 6.78 (d, 4 H), 3.67 (s, 6 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 167.9, 158.9, 147.8, 140.2, 138.4, 136.1, 136.0, 134.4, 132.9, 129.8, 129.2, 129.1, 127.7, 127.2, 121.4, 121.3, 116.5, 113.7, 55.1.



N-(Quinolin-8-yl)-2,6-diphenyl benzamide (4b).² White solid, mp 205-206 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 9.66 (s, 1 H), 8.58-8.53 (m, 2 H), 8.02 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.56 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 4 H), 7.48 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2 H), 7.40 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2 H), 7.32 (q, *J* = 4.3 Hz, 1 H), 7.26 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 4 H), 7.16 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 167.5, 147.8, 140.6, 140.4, 138.2, 136.2, 136.0, 134.3, 129.4, 129.3, 128.7, 128.2, 127.7, 127.3, 127.2, 121.5, 121.3, 116.4.

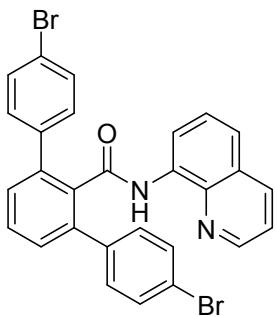


N-(Quinolin-8-yl)-2,6-ditolyl benzamide (4c). White solid, mp 115-116 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 9.63 (s, 1 H), 8.57-8.53 (m, 2 H), 8.03 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.53 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1 H), 7.43-7.40 (m, 8 H), 7.32 (q, *J* = 4.1 Hz, 1 H), 7.04 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 4 H), 2.18 (s, 6 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 167.8, 147.7, 140.5, 138.3, 137.6, 137.0, 136.0, 134.4, 129.2, 128.9, 128.8, 128.6, 127.7, 127.3, 124.4, 121.4, 121.3, 116.6, 21.0; HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₃₀H₂₅N₂O: 429.1967; found: 429.1980.

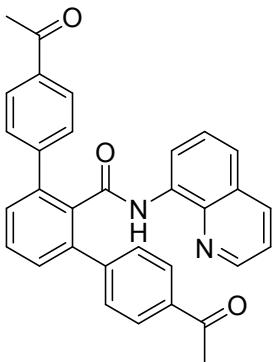


N-(Quinolin-8-yl)-2,6-di(*p*-chlorophenyl) benzamide (4d). White solid, mp 200-201 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 9.63 (s, 1 H), 8.57 (dd, *J* = 4.0, 1.6 Hz, 1 H), 8.51-8.49 (m, 1 H), 8.08 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.56 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1 H), 7.48-7.42 (m, 8 H), 7.37 (q, *J* = 4.1 Hz, 2 H), 7.22 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 167.0, 147.9, 139.4, 138.7, 136.2, 136.0, 133.9, 133.7, 130.3, 130.0, 129.6, 128.6, 128.5, 127.8, 127.2, 121.9, 121.5, 116.7; HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd for

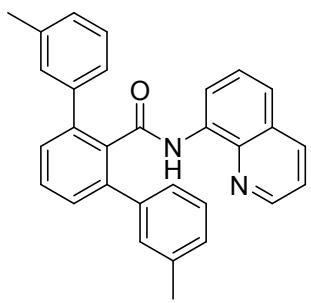
$C_{28}H_{19}Cl_2N_2O$: 496.0874; found: 496.0896.



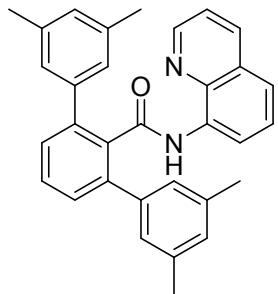
N-(Quinolin-8-yl)-2,6-di(*p*-bromoxyphenyl) benzamide (4e). White solid, mp 215-216 °C; 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ = 9.63 (s, 1 H), 8.57 (dd, J = 4.0, 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 8.51-8.48 (m, 1 H), 8.09 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1 H), 7.56 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1 H), 7.46-7.44 (m, 3 H), 7.42 (s, 2 H), 7.39 (d, J = 5.6 Hz, 6 H), 7.36 (s, 2 H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ = 167.0, 147.9, 139.5, 139.1, 138.2, 136.3, 136.1, 135.9, 133.9, 131.4, 130.4, 129.5, 127.8, 127.2, 122.0, 121.9, 121.5, 116.8; HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + Na] $^+$ calcd for $C_{28}H_{18}Br_2N_2NaO$: 578.9684; found: 578.9686.



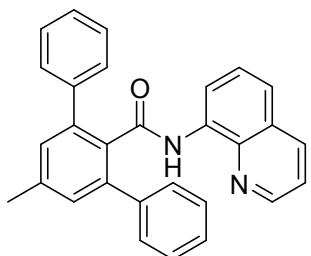
N-(Quinolin-8-yl)-2,6-di(*p*-acetylphenyl) benzamide (4f). Pale yellow solid, mp 188-189 °C; 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ = 9.69 (s, 1 H), 8.56-8.47 (m, 2 H), 8.07 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1 H), 7.85 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 4 H), 7.64 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 5 H), 7.51 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2 H), 7.44 (s, 2 H), 7.35 (q, J = 4.0 Hz, 1 H), 2.47 (s, 6 H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ = 197.7, 166.9, 147.9, 145.0, 139.7, 136.4, 136.0, 135.9, 133.8, 129.9, 129.7, 129.0, 128.9, 128.4, 127.7, 127.3, 122.0, 121.5, 116.8, 26.5; HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + Na] $^+$ calcd for $C_{32}H_{24}N_2NaO_3$: 507.1685; found: 507.1691.



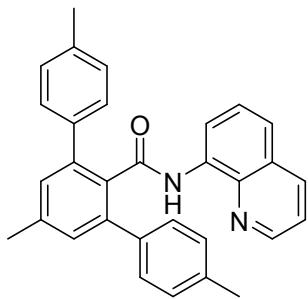
N-(Quinolin-8-yl)-2,6-di(*m*-methylphenyl) benzamide (4g). White solid, mp 134-135 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 9.65 (s, 1 H), 8.60-8.52 (m, 2 H), 8.05-8.02 (m, 1 H), 7.57-7.53 (m, 1 H), 7.46 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2 H), 7.42-7.32 (m, 7 H), 7.12 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2 H), 6.96 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2 H), 2.21 (s, 6 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 167.7, 147.7, 140.7, 140.4, 137.7, 136.2, 136.2, 136.1, 134.4, 129.6, 129.3, 129.2, 128.1, 128.0, 127.7, 127.2, 125.8, 121.4, 121.3, 116.4, 21.3; HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₃₀H₂₅N₂O: 429.1967; found: 429.1982.



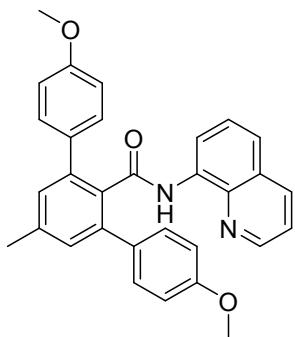
N-(Quinolin-8-yl)-2,6-di(3,5-dimethylphenyl) benzamide (4h). White solid, mp 190-192 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 9.62 (s, 1 H), 8.59-8.58 (m, 1 H), 8.50 (dd, *J* = 7.2, 1.6 Hz, 1 H), 8.00 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.52-7.48 (m, 1 H), 7.43-7.34 (m, 4 H), 7.30 (q, *J* = 4.1 Hz, 1 H), 7.15 (s, 4 H), 6.73 (s, 2 H), 2.12 (s, 12 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 168.0, 147.7, 140.8, 140.4, 138.4, 137.6, 136.2, 136.1, 134.5, 129.2, 129.1, 129.0, 127.7, 127.2, 126.7, 121.4, 121.3, 116.4, 21.3; HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₃₂H₂₉N₂O: 457.2280; found: 457.2303.



N-(Quinolin-8-yl)-2,6-diphenyl 4-methylbenzamide (4i). White solid, mp 160-161 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 9.62 (s, 1 H), 8.55-8.50 (m, 2 H), 8.03-8.01 (m, 1 H), 7.54-7.52 (m, 4 H), 7.41-7.36 (m, 2 H), 7.31 (q, *J* = 4.1 Hz, 1 H), 7.28 (s, 2 H), 7.25-7.21 (m, 4 H), 7.13 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2 H), 2.48 (s, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 167.7, 147.7, 140.6, 140.5, 139.2, 138.2, 136.0, 134.4, 133.6, 130.1, 128.7, 128.1, 127.6, 127.3, 121.3, 116.3, 21.3; HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₉H₂₃N₂O: 415.1810; found: 415.1804.

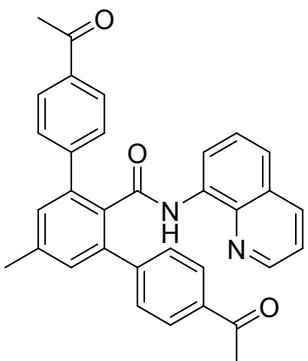


N-(Quinolin-8-yl)-2,6-ditolyl 4-methylbenzamide (4j). White solid, mp 179-180 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 9.62 (s, 1 H), 8.55-8.54 (m, 2 H), 8.03 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.42-7.38 (m, 6 H), 7.32 (q, *J* = 3.9 Hz, 1 H), 7.24 (s, 2 H), 7.03 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 4 H), 2.46 (s, 3 H), 2.18 (s, 6 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 168.1, 147.7, 140.6, 139.1, 138.3, 137.7, 136.9, 136.0, 134.5, 133.5, 130.0, 128.9, 128.5, 127.6, 127.3, 121.3, 121.3, 116.4, 21.4, 21.1; HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₃₁H₂₇N₂O: 443.2123; found: 443.2133.

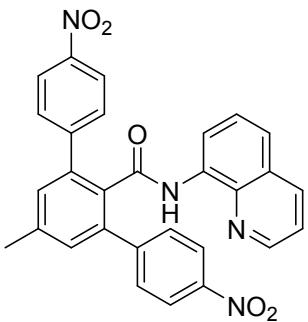


N-(Quinolin-8-yl)-2,6-di(*p*-methoxylphenyl) 4-methylbenzamide (4k).¹ White solid, mp 198-199 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 9.65 (s, 1 H), 8.60-8.59 (m, 2 H), 8.08 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.49-7.44 (m, 6 H), 7.37 (q, *J* = 3.9 Hz, 1 H), 7.25 (s, 2 H), 6.79 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 4 H), 3.69 (s, 6 H), 2.49 (s, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz,

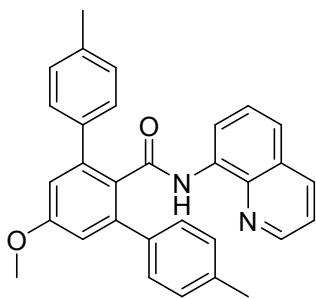
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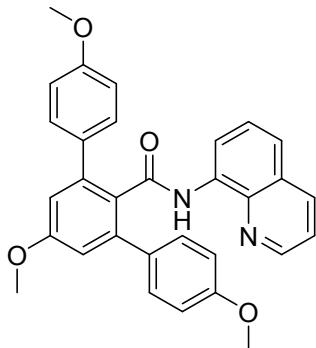
N-(Quinolin-8-yl)-2,6-di(*p*-acetylphenyl) 4-methylbenzamide (4l). Pale yellow solid, mp 205-207 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 9.68$ (s, 1 H), 8.55-8.47 (m, 2 H), 8.07 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1 H), 7.84 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 4 H), 7.63 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 4 H), 7.44 (s, 2 H), 7.37-7.33 (m, 3 H), 2.52 (s, 3 H), 2.47 (s, 6 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 197.7, 167.1, 147.9, 145.2, 139.8, 139.7, 135.9, 133.9, 133.4, 130.5, 128.9, 128.4, 127.7, 127.2, 121.9, 121.5, 116.6, 26.6, 21.4$; HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for $\text{C}_{33}\text{H}_{26}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3\text{Na}$: 521.1836; found: 521.1850.



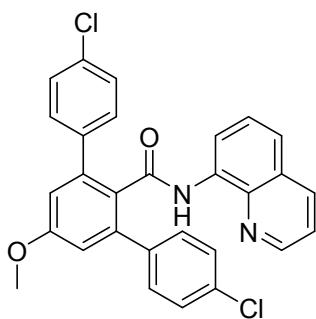
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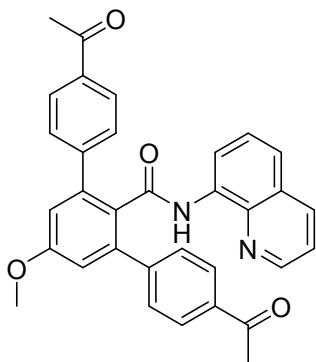
N-(Quinolin-8-yl)-2,6-ditolyl 4-methoxylbenzamide (4n). White solid, mp 159-160 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 9.59 (s, 1 H), 8.55-8.54 (m, 2 H), 7.99 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.44 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 3 H), 7.40-7.35 (m, 3 H), 7.29 (q, *J* = 4.1 Hz, 1 H), 7.04 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 4 H), 6.95 (s, 2 H), 3.88 (s, 3 H), 2.17 (s, 6 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 167.9, 159.6, 147.8, 142.4, 138.3, 137.7, 137.1, 135.9, 134.6, 129.3, 129.0, 128.5, 127.6, 127.3, 121.3, 116.3, 114.6, 55.5, 21.1; HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₃₁H₂₇N₂O₂: 459.2073; found: 459.2066.



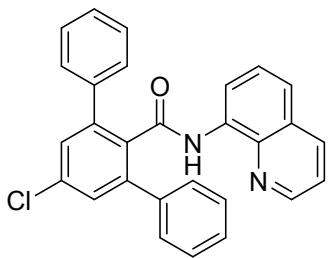
N-(Quinolin-8-yl)-2,6-di(*p*-methoxylphenyl) 4-methoxylbenzamide (4o). White solid, mp 157-159 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 9.61 (s, 1 H), 8.58-8.55 (m, 2 H), 8.00 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.48 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 4 H), 7.43-7.36 (m, 2 H), 7.30 (q, *J* = 4.1 Hz, 1 H), 6.93 (s, 2 H), 6.77 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 4 H), 3.88 (s, 3 H), 3.63 (s, 6 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 168.0, 159.6, 159.0, 147.8, 142.0, 138.3, 136.0, 134.5, 133.0, 129.7, 129.6, 129.3, 127.7, 127.3, 121.3, 116.3, 114.4, 113.7, 55.5, 55.1; HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₃₁H₂₇N₂O₄: 491.1971; found: 491.1965.



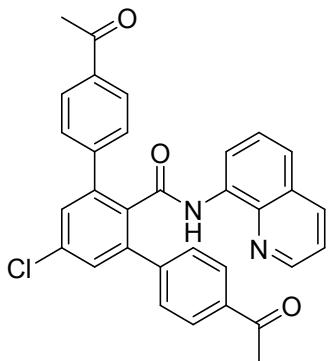
N-(Quinolin-8-yl)-2,6-di(*p*-chlorophenyl) 4-methoxybenzamide (4p). White solid, mp 156-158 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 9.58 (s, 1 H), 8.55-8.48 (m, 2 H), 8.04 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.47-7.41 (m, 6 H), 7.33 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 4.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.21 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 4 H), 6.93 (s, 2 H), 3.89 (s, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 167.1, 159.8, 147.9, 141.3, 138.8, 138.2, 136.2, 134.1, 133.7, 129.9, 129.1, 128.5, 127.7, 127.2, 121.8, 121.5, 116.5, 114.9, 55.6; HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₉H₂₀Cl₂N₂O₂Na: 521.0794; found: 499.0988.



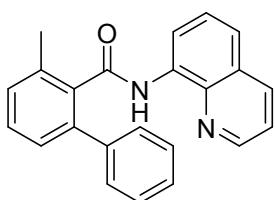
N-(Quinolin-8-yl)-2,6-di(*p*-acetylphenyl) 4-methoxybenzamide (4q). Pale yellow solid, mp 204-205 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 9.61 (s, 1 H), 8.53-8.45 (m, 2 H), 8.03 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1 H), 7.83 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 4 H), 7.62 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 4 H), 7.41 (s, 2 H), 7.33 (q, *J* = 3.7 Hz, 1 H), 7.00 (s, 2 H), 3.92 (s, 3 H), 2.45 (s, 6 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 197.6, 166.9, 159.9, 147.8, 145.1, 141.6, 136.3, 136.2, 136.1, 134.0, 128.8, 128.7, 128.4, 127.7, 127.2, 121.8, 121.5, 116.5, 115.2, 55.7, 26.5; HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₃₃H₂₆N₂NaO₄: 537.1790; found: 537.1808.



N-(Quinolin-8-yl)-2,6-diphenyl 4-chlorobenzamide (4r). White solid, mp 148-150 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 9.64 (s, 1 H), 8.57 (dd, J = 4.4, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 8.49-8.47 (m, 1 H), 8.06 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.52 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 4 H), 7.46 (s, 2 H), 7.41 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 2 H), 7.35 (q, J = 4.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.27-7.23 (m, 4 H), 7.17 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2 H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 166.5, 147.8, 142.3, 139.1, 138.1, 136.1, 134.9, 134.6, 134.0, 129.2, 128.5, 128.3, 127.9, 127.6, 127.2, 121.6, 121.4, 116.4; HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + Na] $^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{19}\text{ClN}_2\text{NaO}$: 457.1084; found: 457.1110.

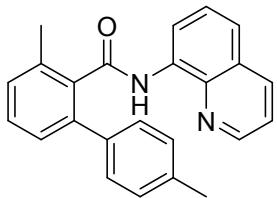


,6-di(*p*-acetylphenyl) 4-chlorobenzamide (4s). Pale yellow solid, mp 216-217 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 9.67 (s, 1 H), 8.56 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 1 H), 8.44 (d, J = 5.2 Hz, 1 H), 8.07 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 1 H), 7.86 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 4 H), 7.63 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 4 H), 7.51 (s, 2 H), 7.44-7.35 (m, 3 H), 2.47 (s, 6 H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 196.3, 164.8, 146.9, 142.5, 140.3, 137.0, 135.4, 135.2, 134.3, 133.4, 132.6, 128.5, 127.8, 127.3, 126.6, 126.1, 121.0, 120.4, 115.7, 25.4; HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + Na] $^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{23}\text{ClN}_2\text{NaO}_3$: 541.1295; found: 541.1308.

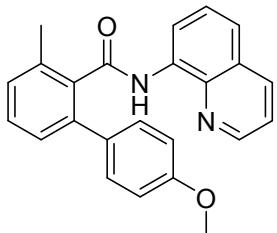


N-(Quinolin-8-yl)-2-methyl-6-phenyl benzamide (5a).¹ Colorless oil; ^1H NMR (400

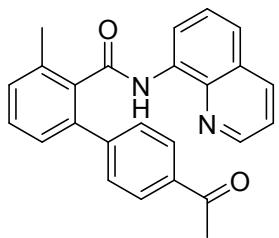
MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 9.63 (s, 1 H), 8.77 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1 H), 8.57 (s, 1 H), 8.02 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.52 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2 H), 7.46 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1 H), 7.42-7.37 (m, 2 H), 7.29 (d, *J* = 4.4 Hz, 3 H), 7.19 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2 H), 7.07 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1 H), 2.53 (s, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 168.3, 148.0, 140.4, 139.7, 138.4, 136.9, 136.1, 135.9, 134.4, 129.5, 129.2, 128.7, 128.2, 127.8, 127.6, 127.3, 127.3, 121.7, 121.5, 116.5, 19.8.



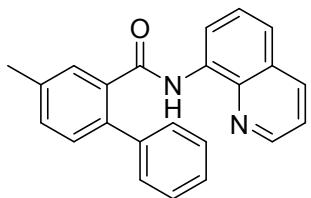
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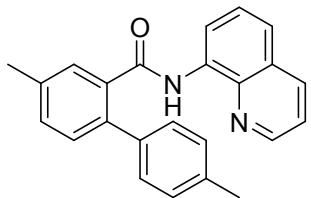
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N-(Quinolin-8-yl)-2-methyl-6-(p-acetylphenyl) benzamide (5d).² White solid, mp 144-145 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 9.69 (s, 1 H), 8.76 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1 H), 8.60 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1 H), 8.07 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.81 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2 H), 7.63 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2 H), 7.52-7.41 (m, 3 H), 7.36-7.29 (m, 3 H), 2.54 (s, 3 H), 2.42 (s, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 197.8, 168.0, 148.1, 145.3, 138.5, 138.3, 136.7, 136.2, 136.1, 135.8, 134.1, 130.3, 129.4, 128.9, 128.3, 127.8, 127.5, 127.2, 122.0, 121.6, 116.6, 26.6, 19.8.

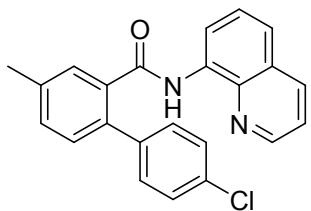


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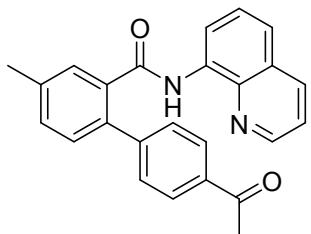


N-(Quinolin-8-yl)-2-(p-tolyl)-5-methyl benzamide (5f). White solid, mp 112-113 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 9.77 (s, 1 H), 8.81 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1 H), 8.50 (s, 1 H), 8.04 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.70 (s, 1 H), 7.49 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.43 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.38-7.34 (m, 5 H), 7.05 (d, *J* = 5.2 Hz, 2 H), 2.45 (s, 3 H), 2.17 (s, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 168.2, 147.6, 138.5, 137.5, 137.2, 137.1, 136.0, 135.9, 134.7, 131.2, 130.6, 129.7, 129.1, 128.9, 127.7, 127.3, 121.4, 121.3, 116.4, 21.0;

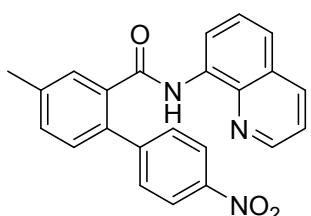
HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₄H₂₀N₂NaO: 375.1473; found: 375.1495.



N-(Quinolin-8-yl)-2-(p-chlorophenyl)-5-methyl benzamide (5g).¹ White solid, mp 158-159 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 9.78 (s, 1 H), 8.79 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1 H), 8.55-8.54 (m, 1 H), 8.10 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.72 (s, 1 H), 7.55-7.47 (m, 2 H), 7.42 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2 H), 7.38-7.32 (m, 3 H), 7.24 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2 H), 2.47 (s, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 167.7, 147.9, 138.5, 138.4, 138.0, 136.1, 135.8, 134.4, 133.6, 131.5, 130.5, 130.4, 129.9, 128.6, 127.8, 127.3, 121.8, 121.5, 116.5, 21.1.



N-(Quinolin-8-yl)-2-(p-acetylphenyl)-5-methyl benzamide (5h).³ Pale yellow oil; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 9.78 (s, 1 H), 8.78 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1 H), 8.49 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 8.05 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.84 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2 H), 7.72 (s, 1 H), 7.57 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2 H), 7.52-7.44 (m, 2 H), 7.37 (s, 2 H), 7.32 (q, J = 4.3 Hz, 1 H), 2.47 (s, 3 H), 2.42 (s, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 197.6, 167.6, 147.8, 145.0, 141.8, 138.4, 138.4, 136.3, 136.1, 136.0, 134.4, 131.4, 130.4, 129.7, 129.2, 128.4, 127.8, 127.3, 121.7, 121.4, 116.4, 26.5, 21.1.



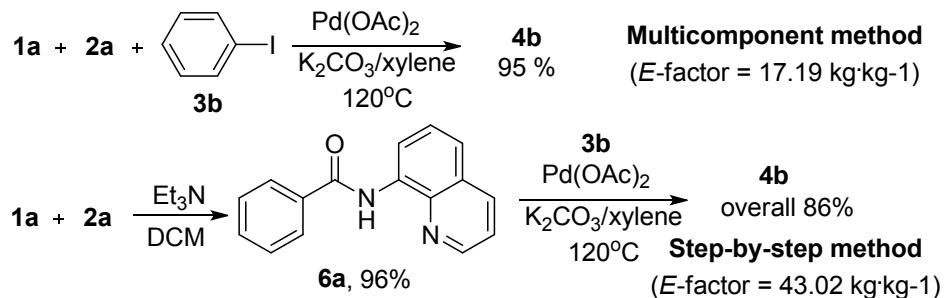
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J = 6.8 Hz, 2 H), 7.41–7.36 (m, 3 H), 2.50 (s, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 167.2, 147.9, 147.1, 147.0, 139.2, 138.3, 136.4, 136.1, 135.3, 134.1, 131.6, 130.4, 129.8, 127.8, 127.3, 123.6, 122.1, 121.7, 116.6, 21.1; HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + Na] $^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{17}\text{N}_3\text{NaO}_3$: 406.1168; found: 406.1180.

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Calculation and comparison of *E*-factor



Calculation of *E*-factor

- (1) **The one-pot procedure:** **1a** (0.3 mmol = 43 mg), **2a** (0.3 mmol = 42 mg), **3b** (0.9 mmol = 184 mg), Pd(OAc)₂ (0.009 mmol = 2 mg), K₂CO₃ (0.6 mmol = 83 mg), xylene (2 mL = 1.72g), **4** (114 mg).

Amount of materials used in the synthesis: 43 mg + 42 mg + 184 mg + 2 mg + 83 mg + 1.72 g = 2074 mg

Amount of Product: 114 mg

Amount of wastes produced from the reaction: 2074 – 114 = 1960 mg

$$E\text{-factor} = 1960/114 = 17.19 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{kg}^{-1}$$

- (2) **The step-by-step procedure:** **1** (0.3 mmol = 43 mg), **2** (0.3 mmol = 42 mg), **3** (0.9 mmol = 184 mg), Et₃N (0.3 mmol = 30 mg), CH₂Cl₂ (2 mL = 2.65 g), Pd(OAc)₂ (0.009 mmol = 2 mg), K₂CO₃ (0.6 mmol = 83 mg), xylene (2 mL = 1.72g), **4** (108

mg).

Amount of materials used in the synthesis: $43 \text{ mg} + 42 \text{ mg} + 184 \text{ mg} + 30 \text{ mg} + 2.65 \text{ g} + 2 \text{ mg} + 83 \text{ mg} + 1.72 \text{ g} = 4754 \text{ mg}$

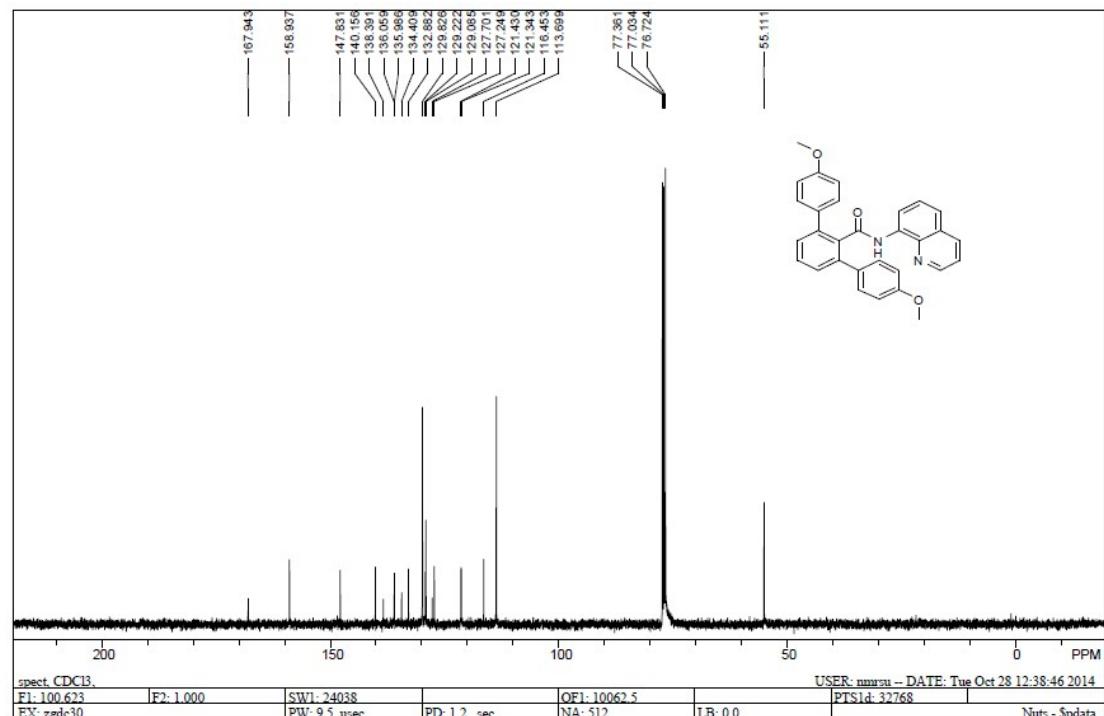
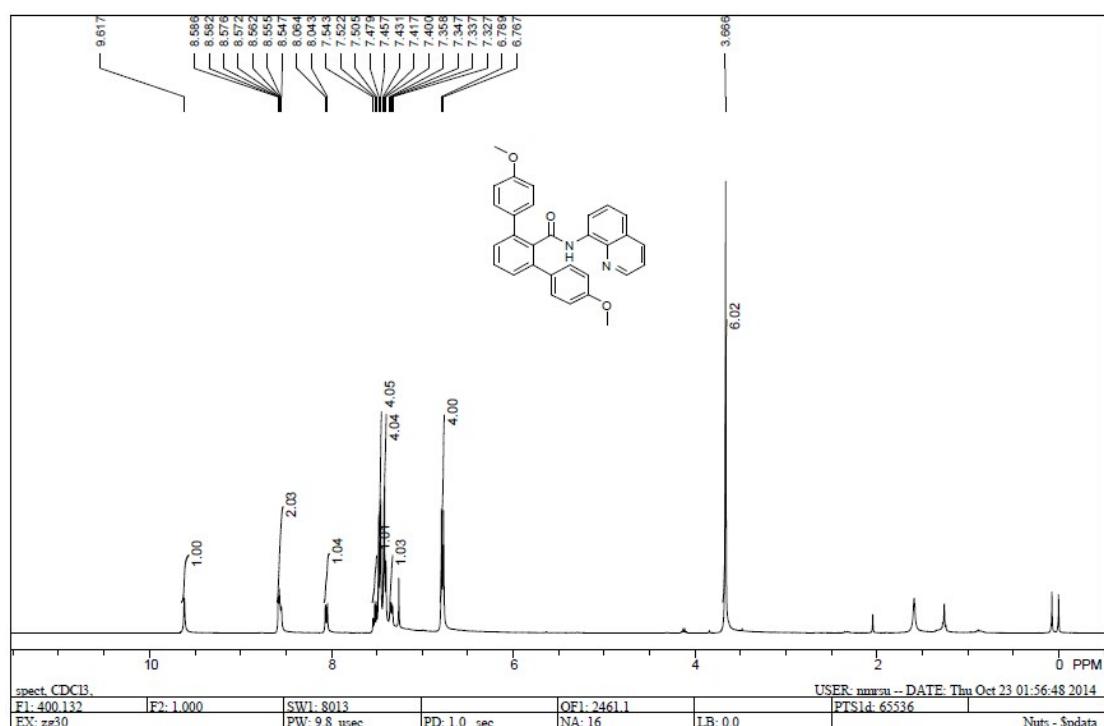
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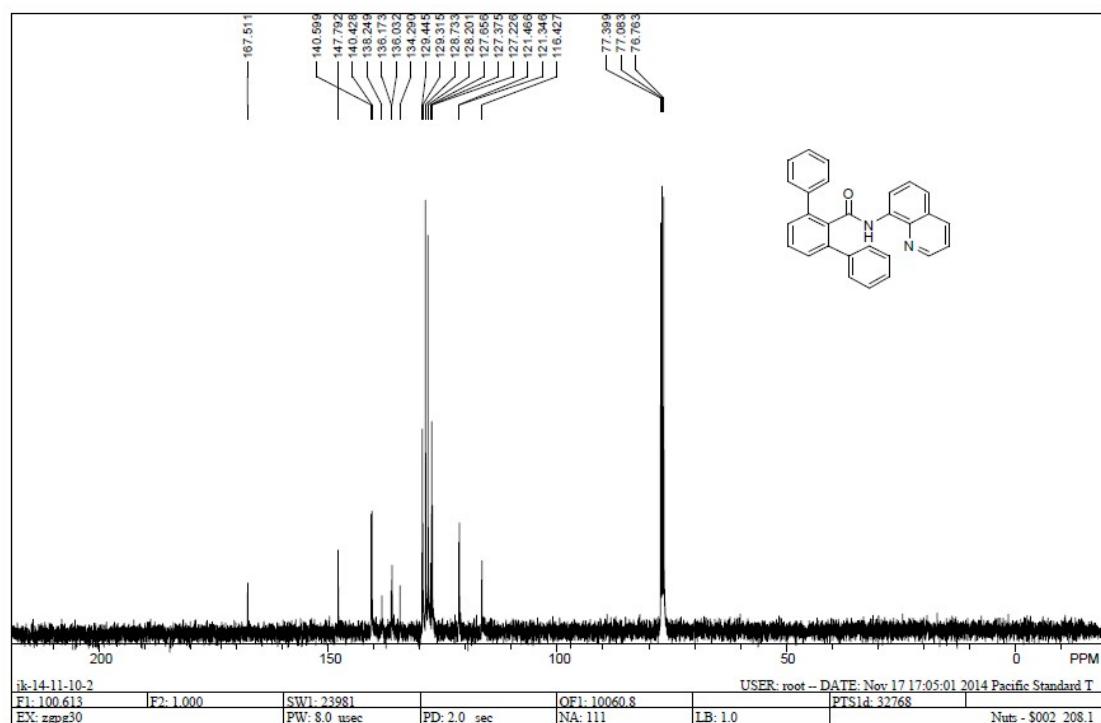
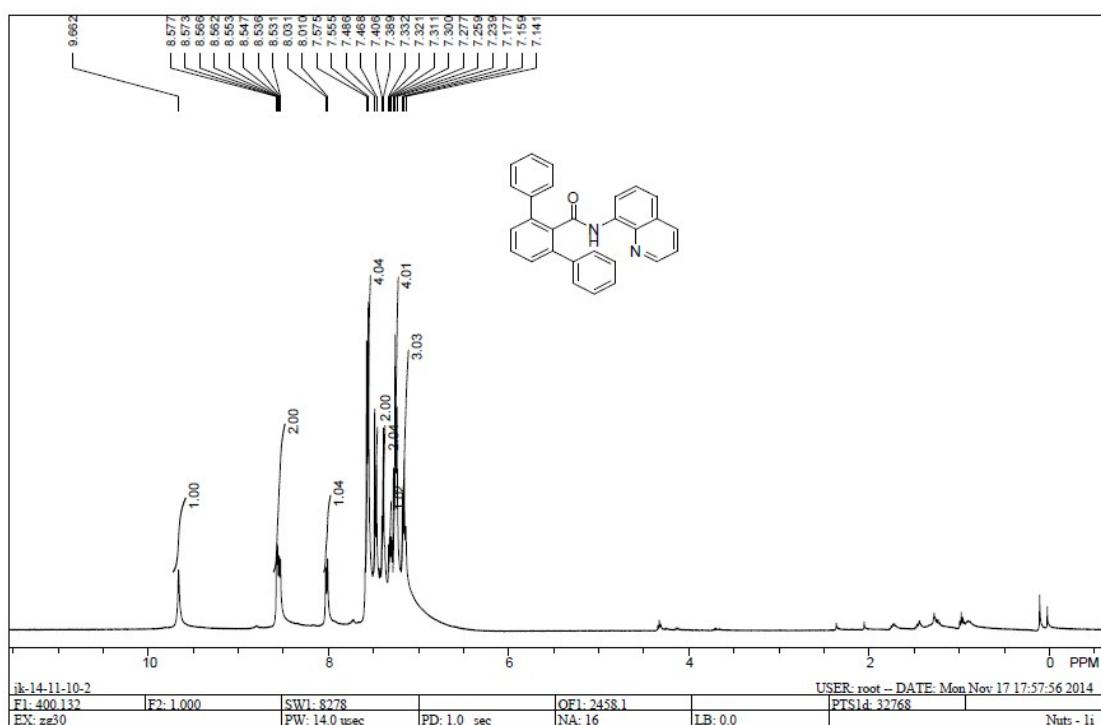
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¹H and ¹³C NMR of all products

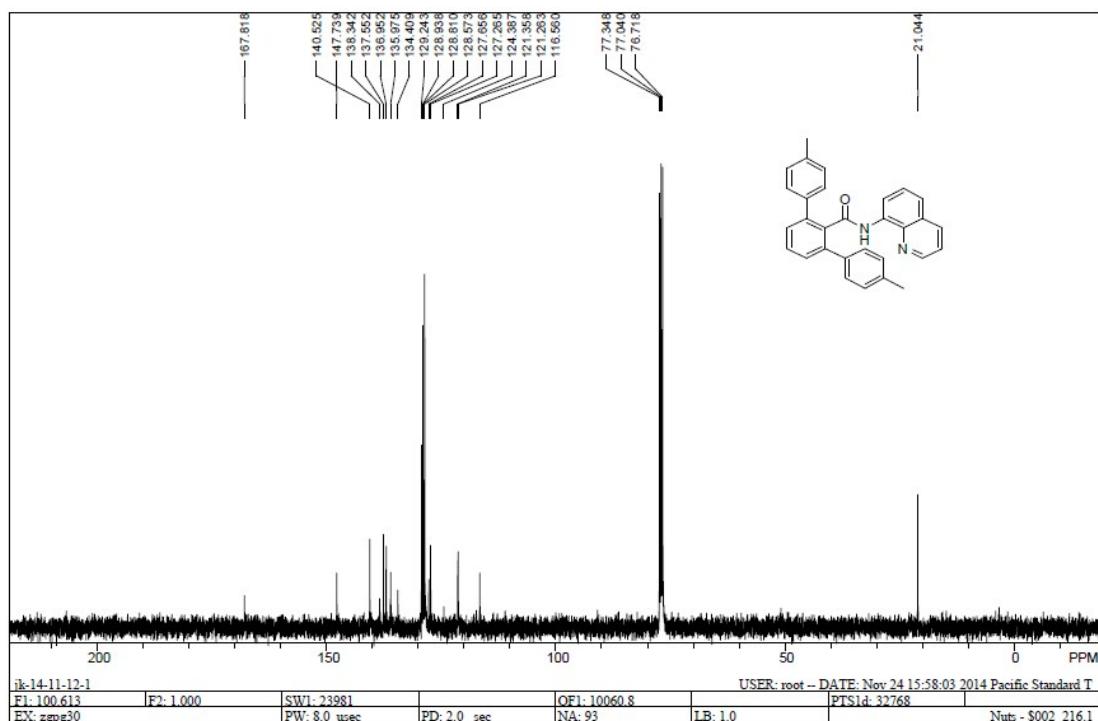
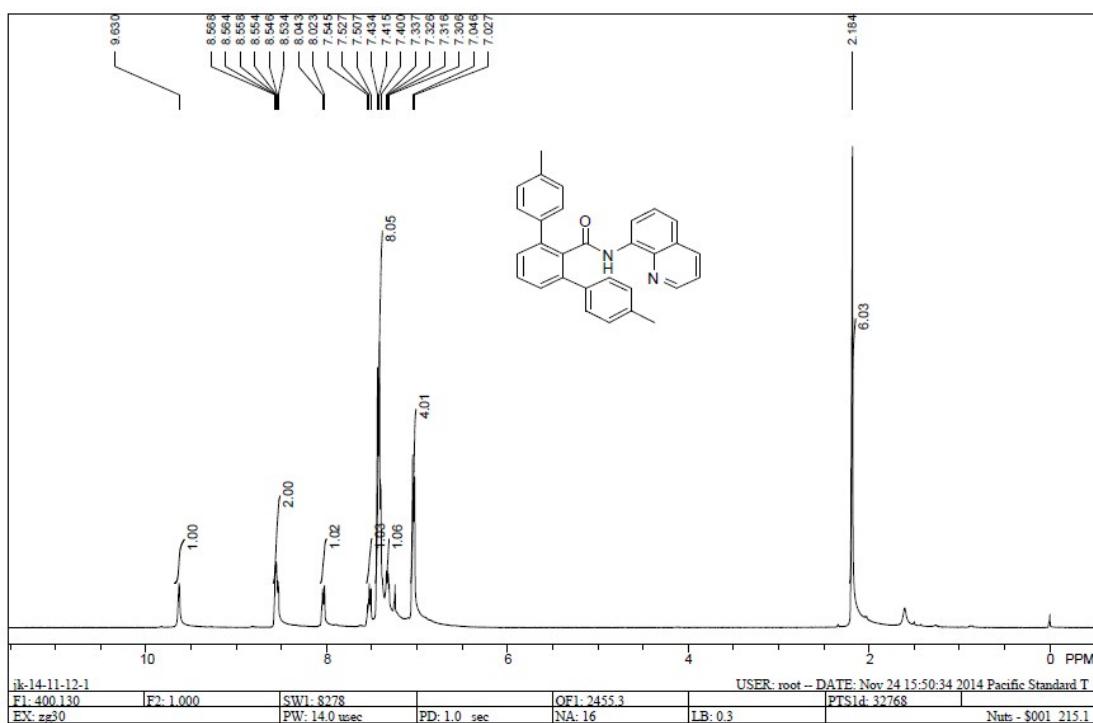
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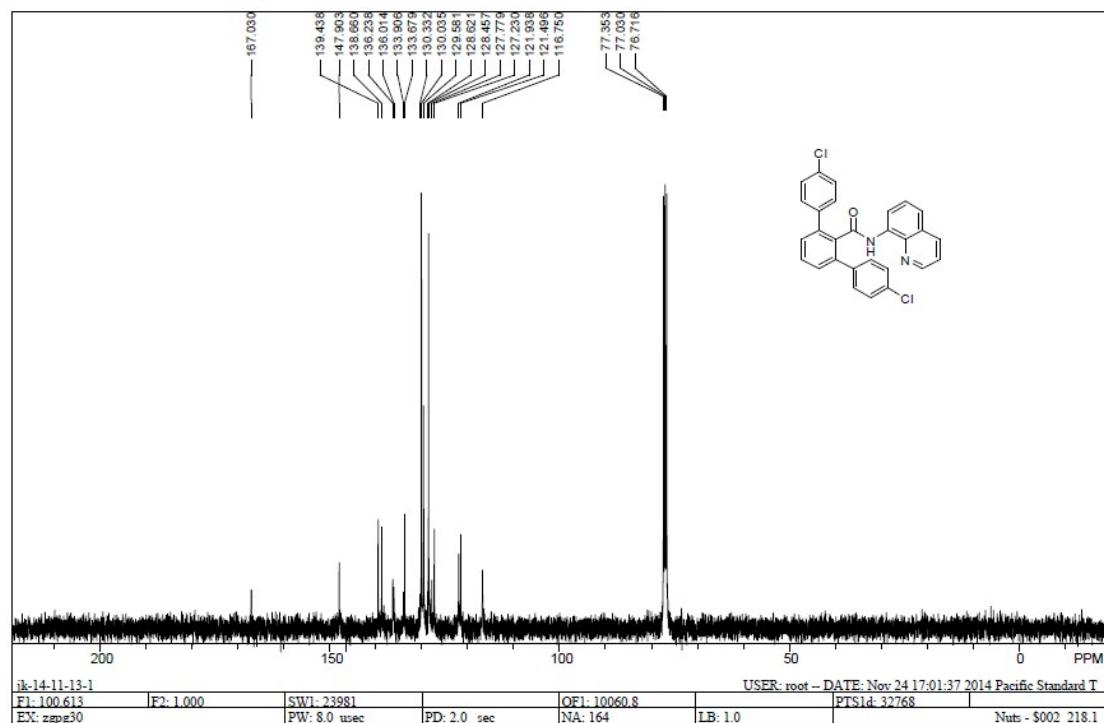
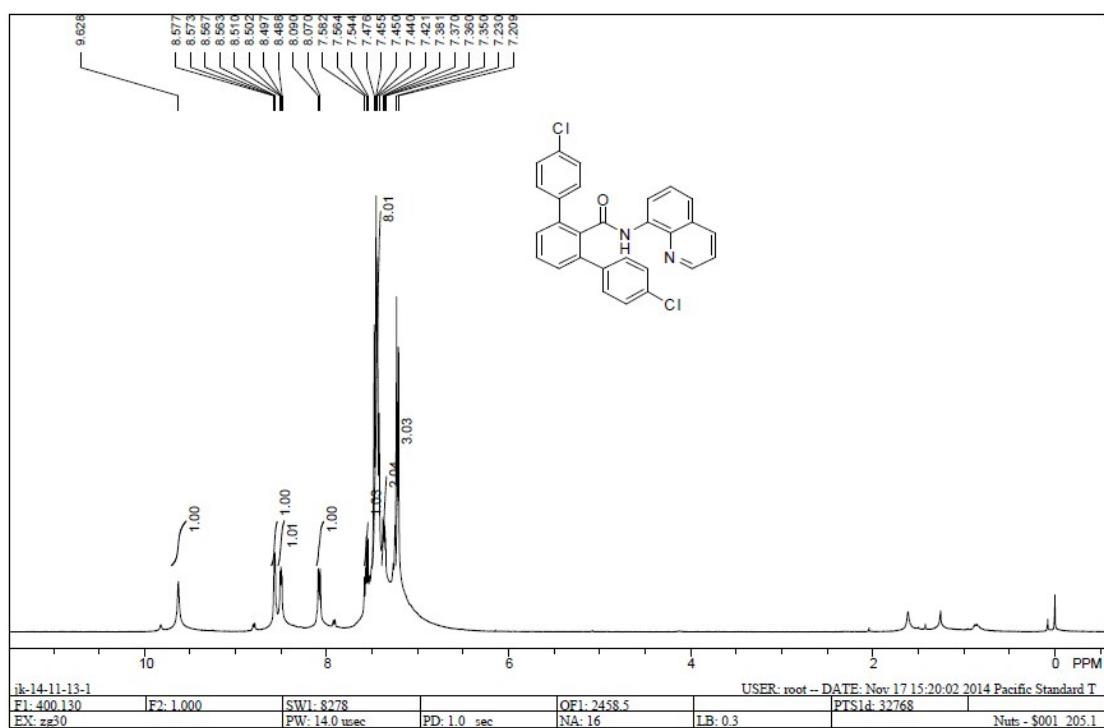
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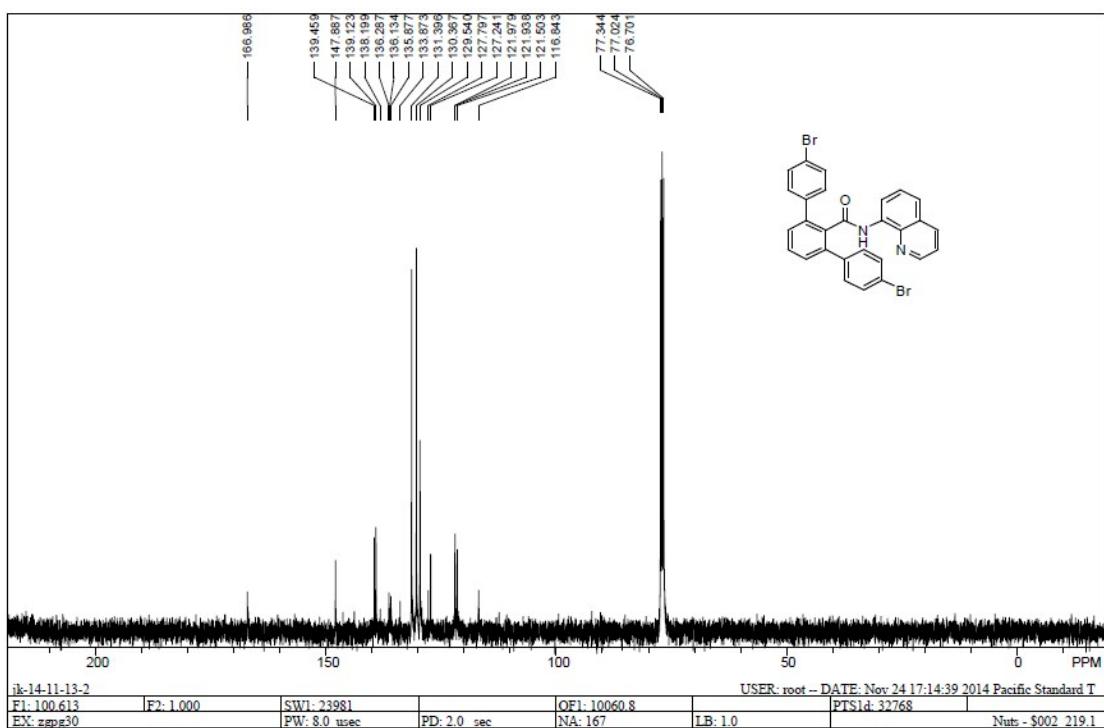
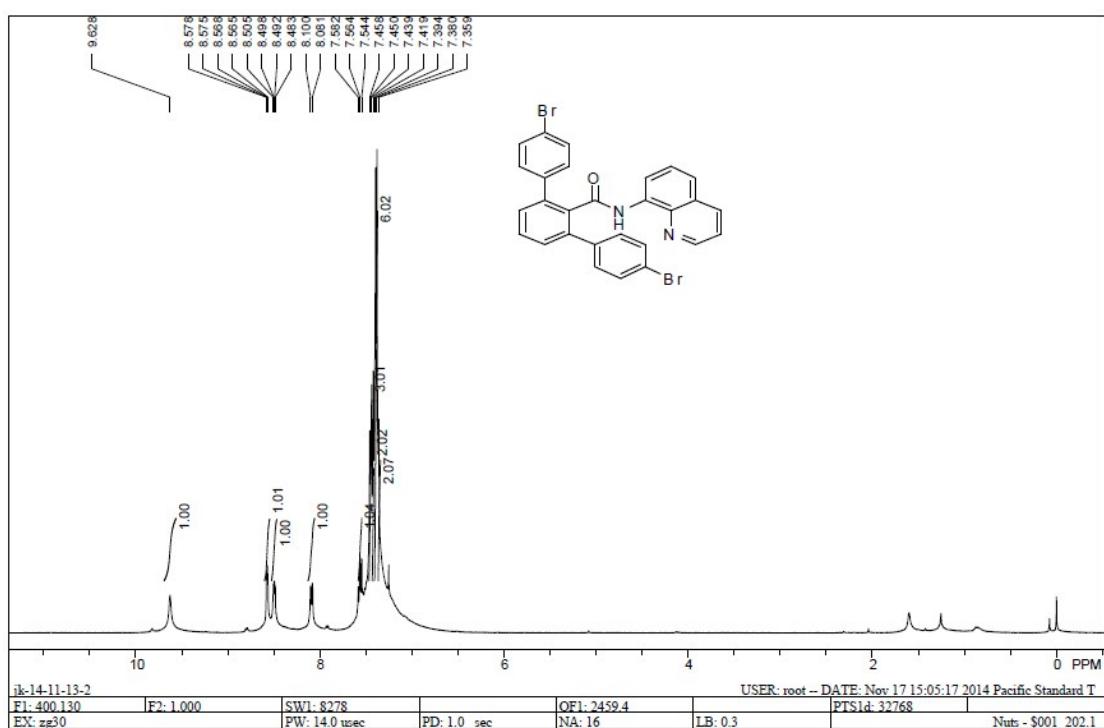
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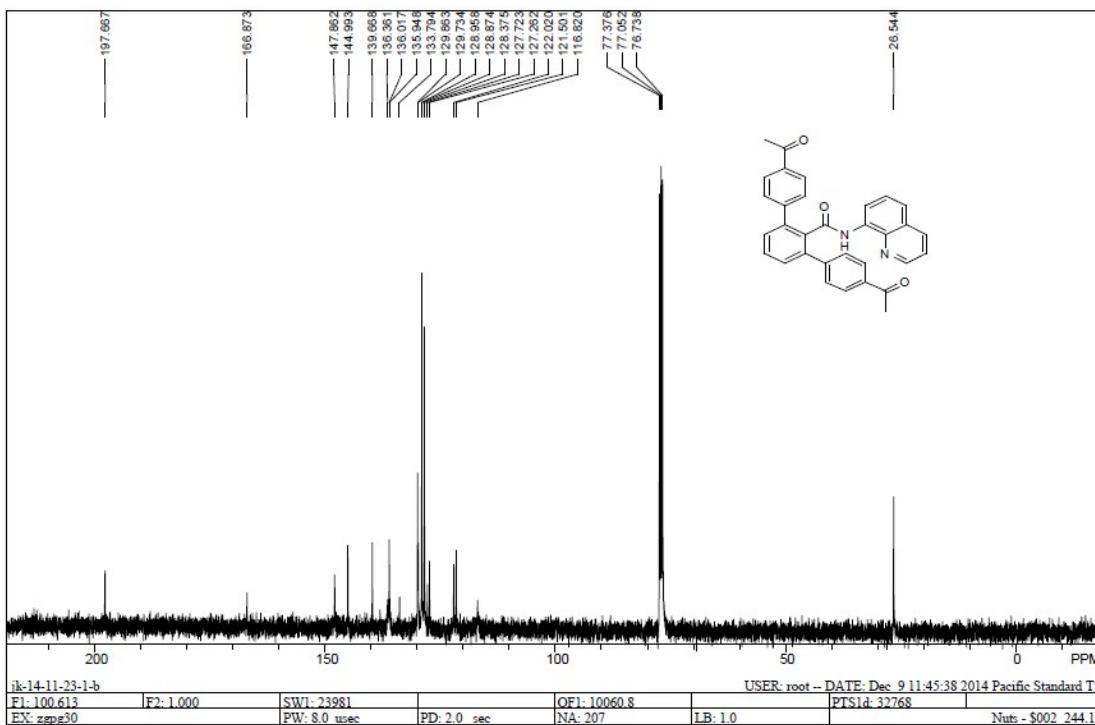
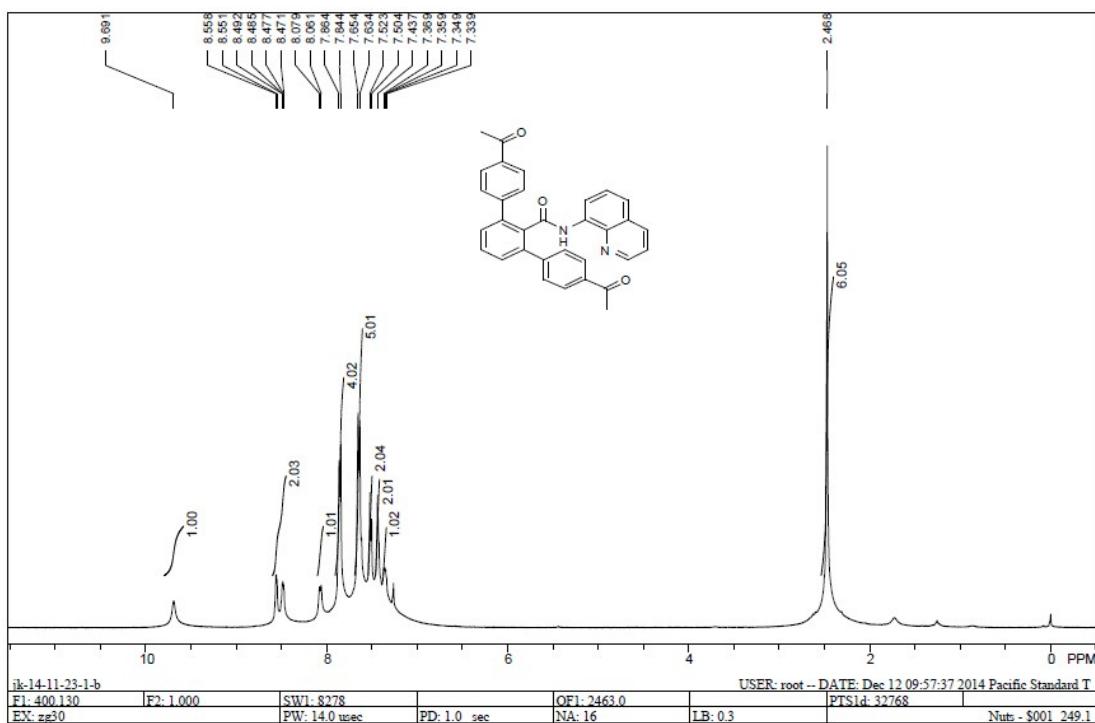
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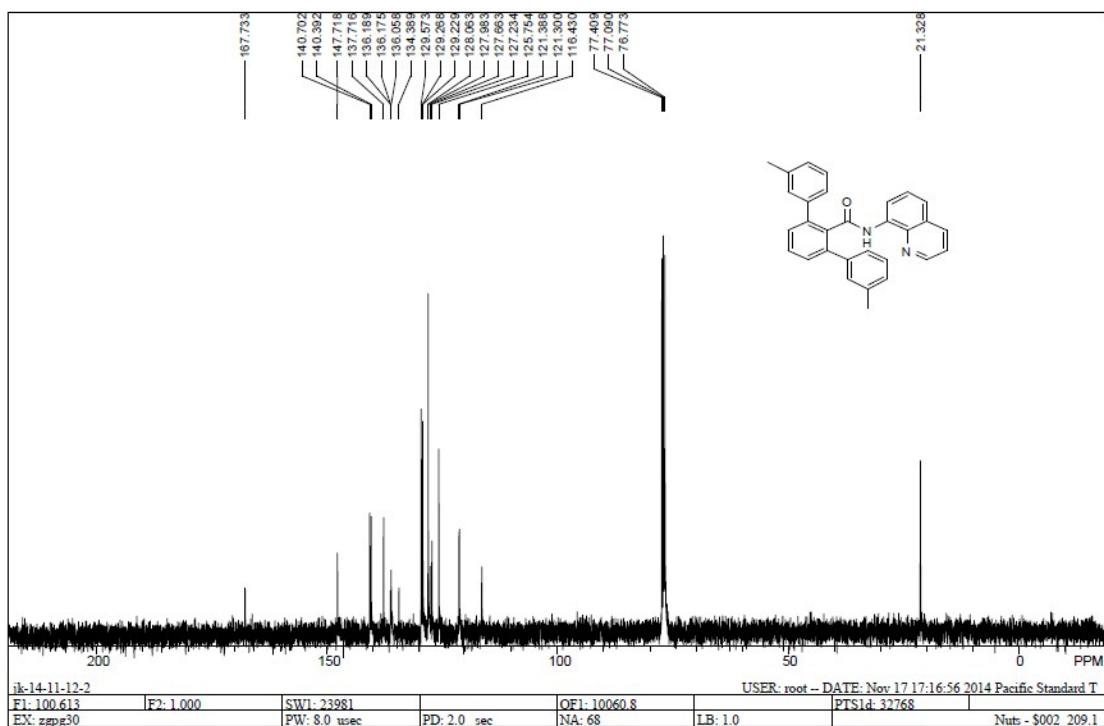
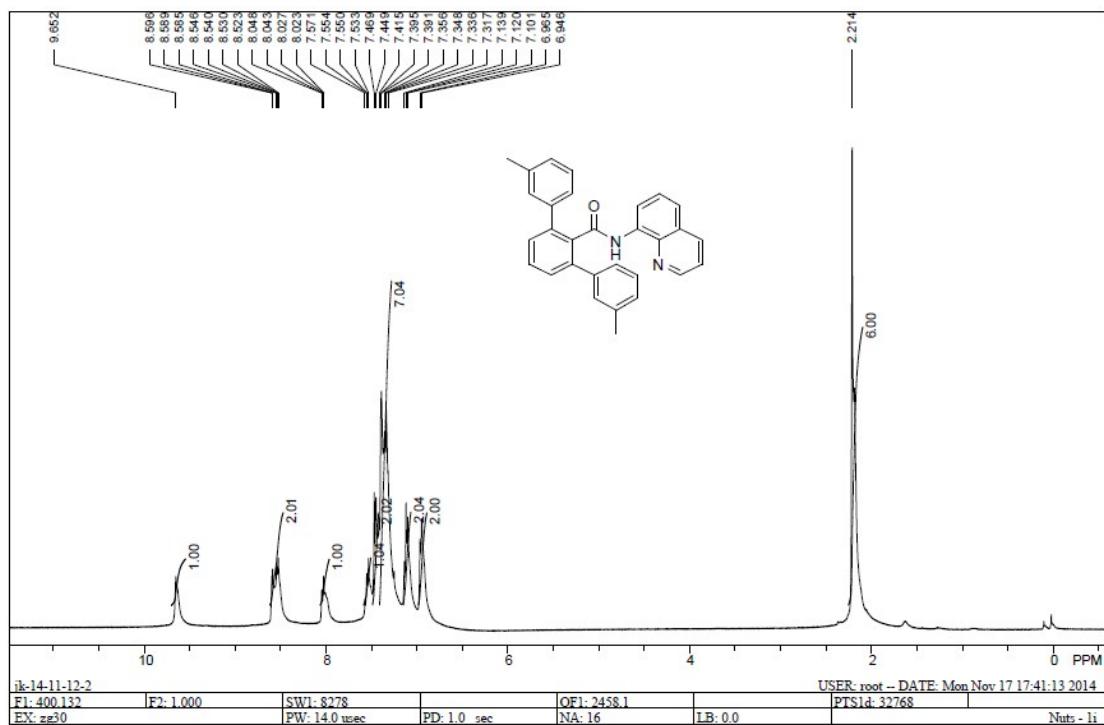
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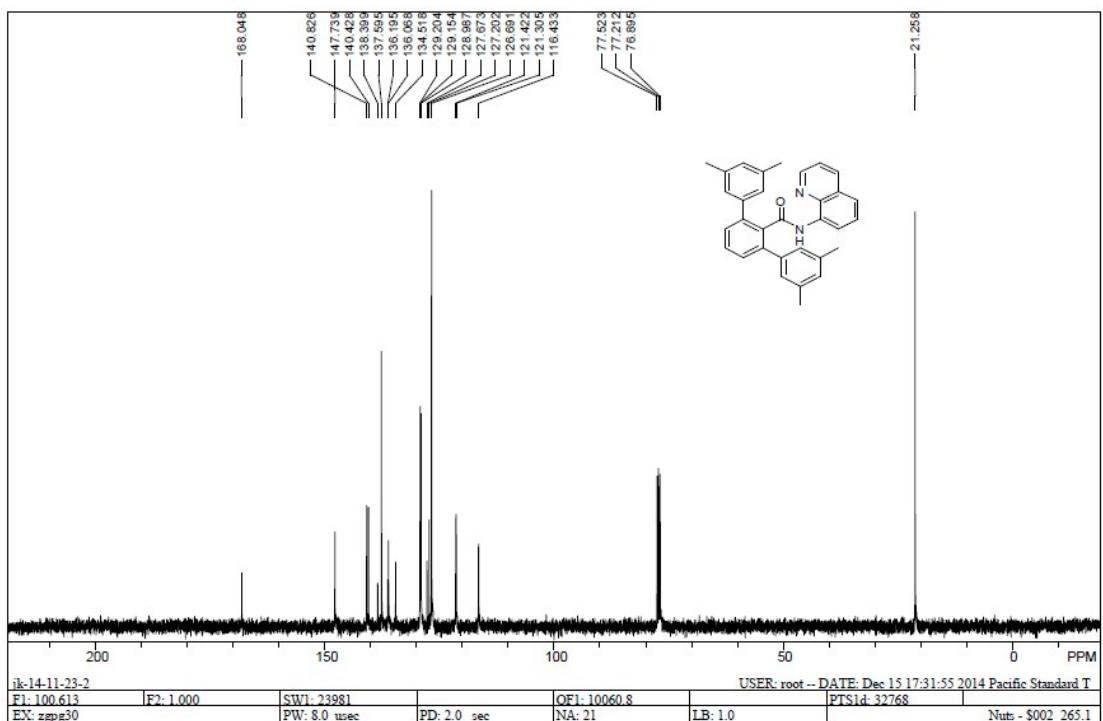
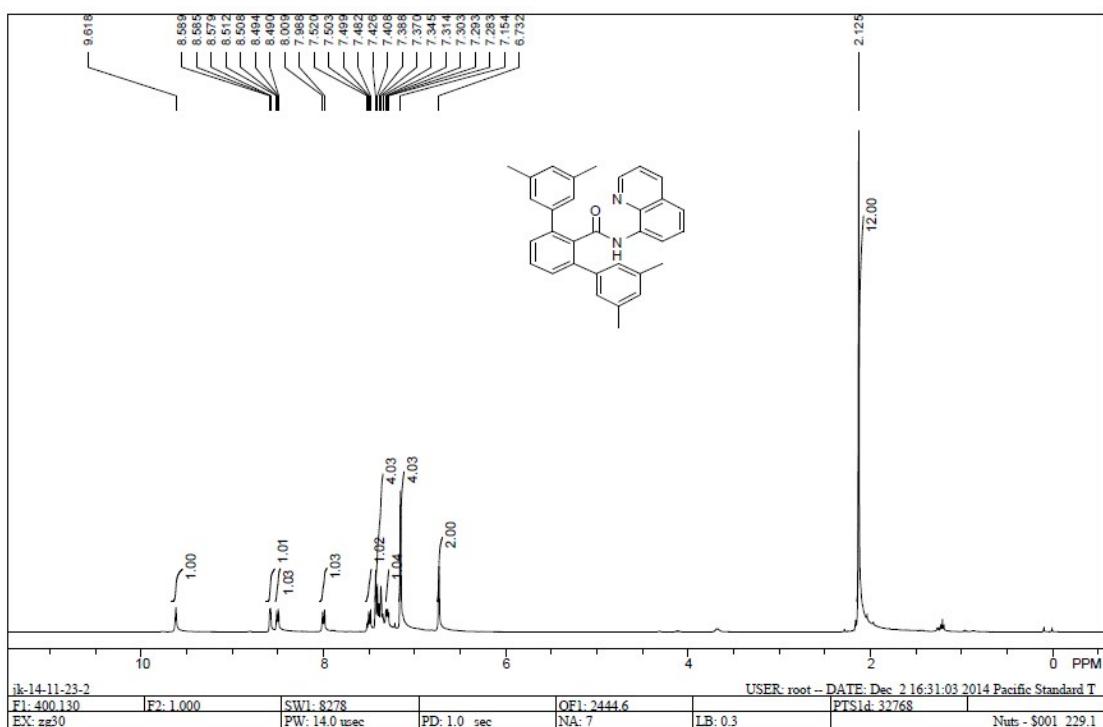
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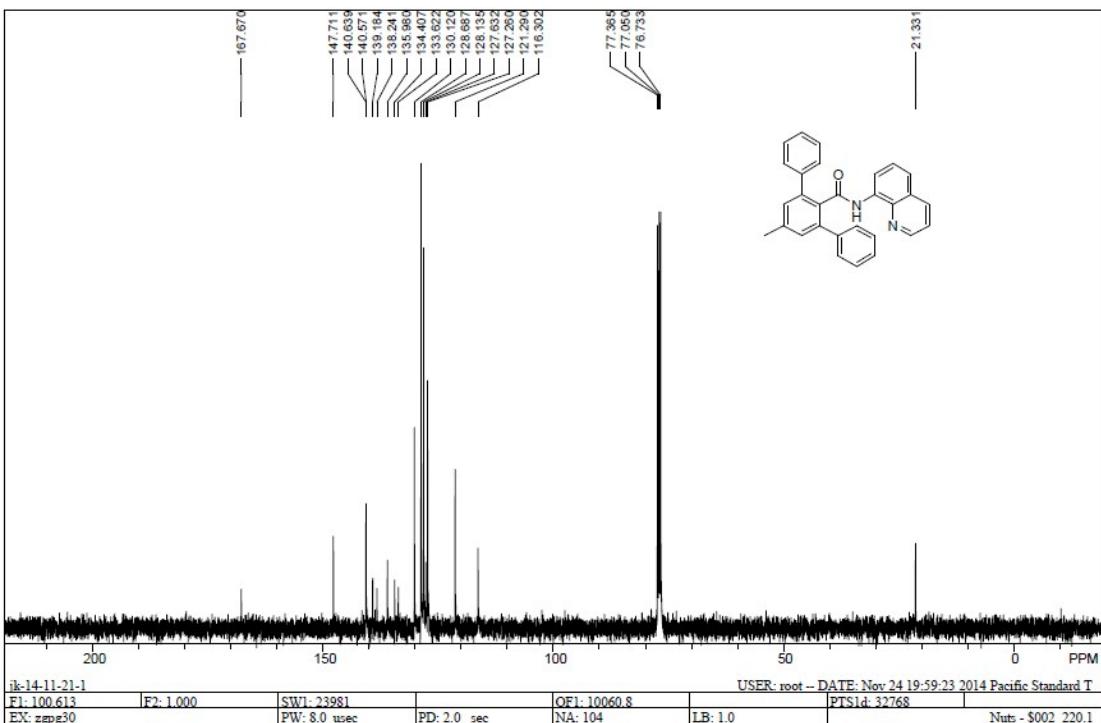
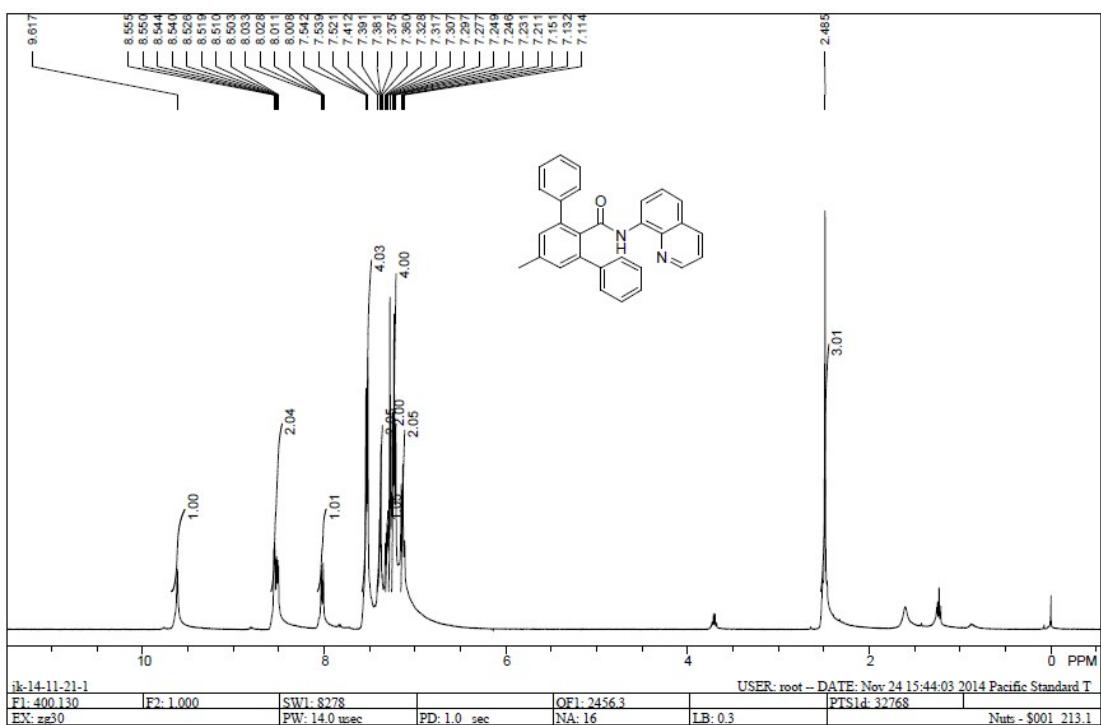
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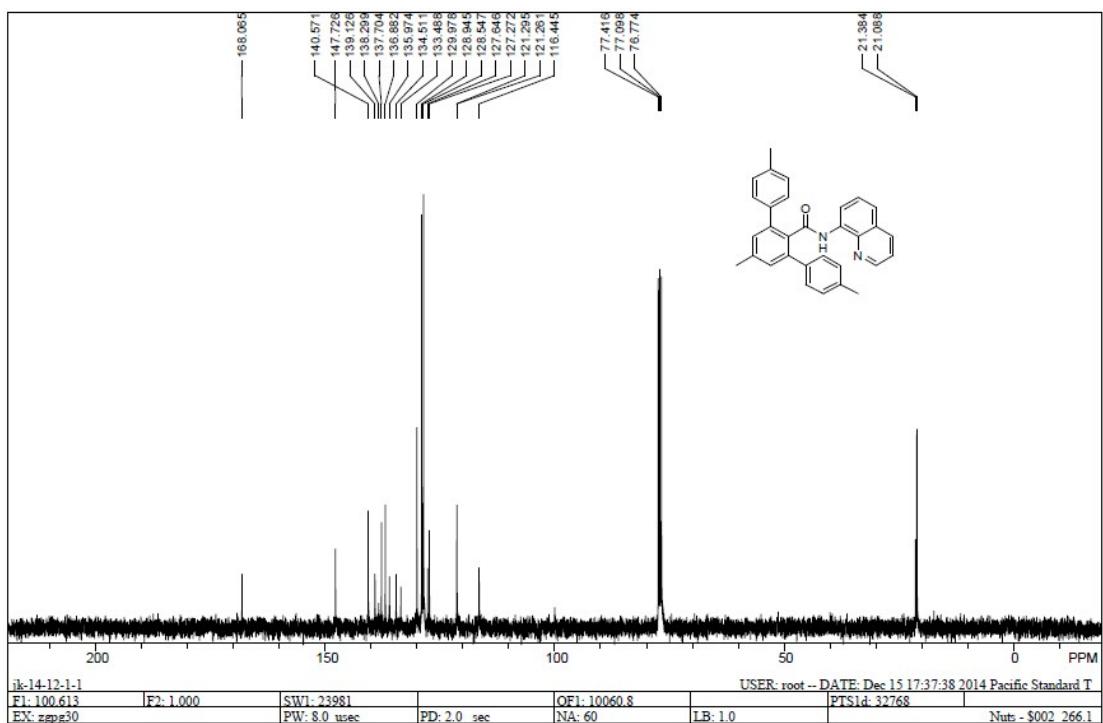
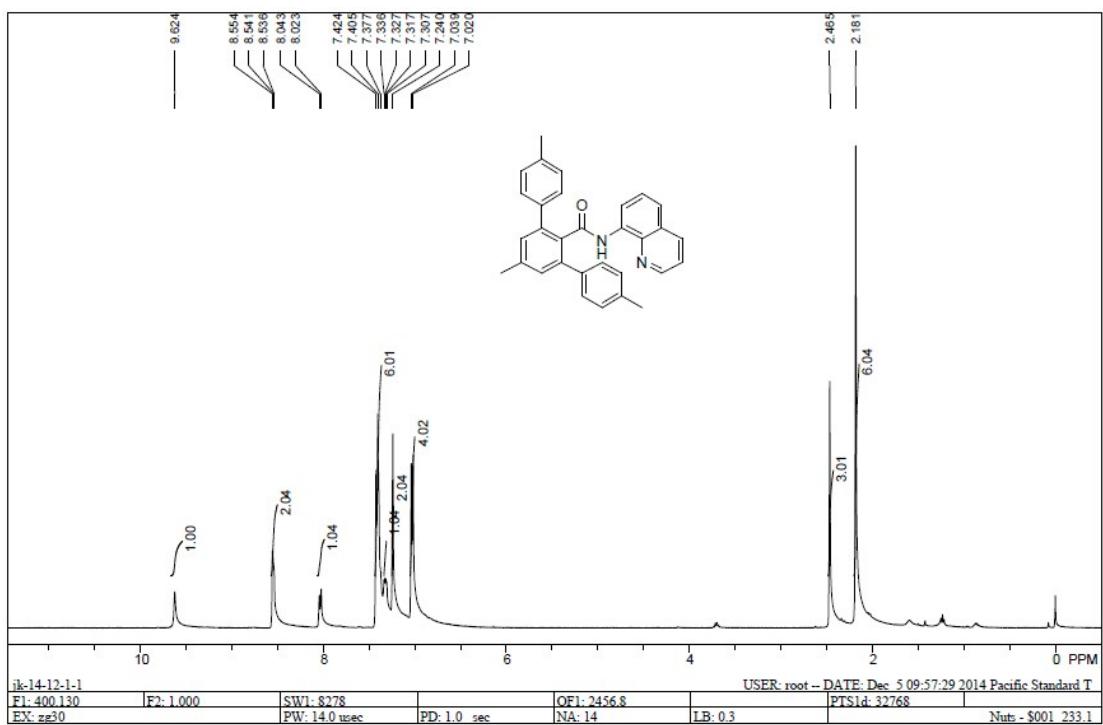
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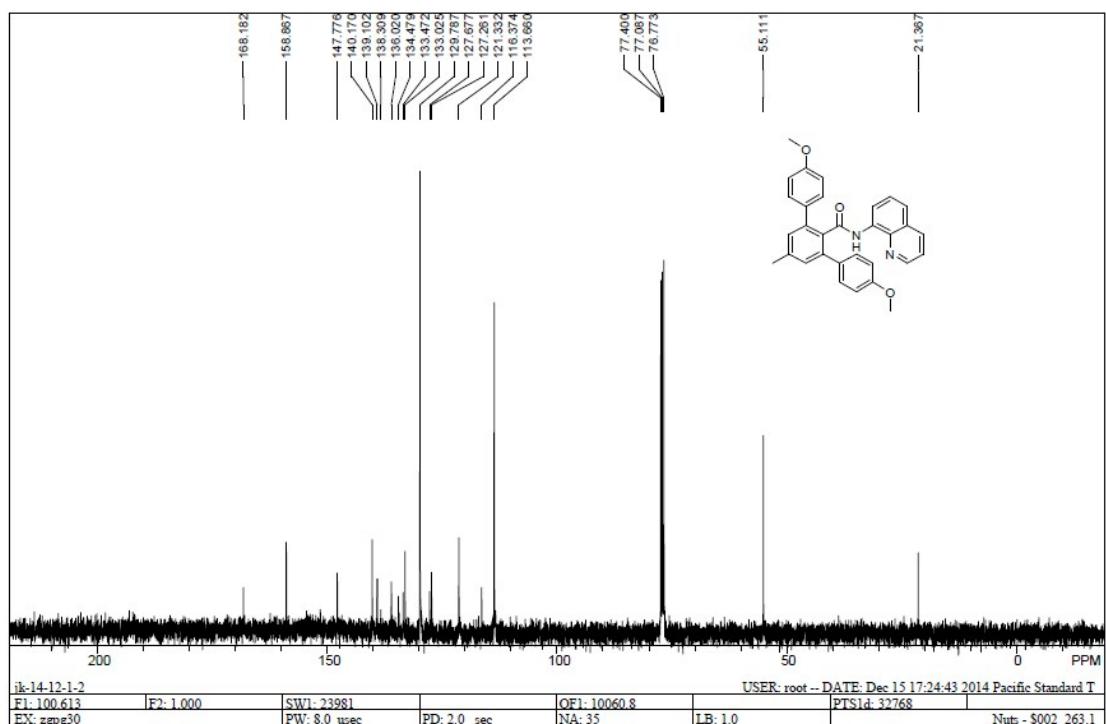
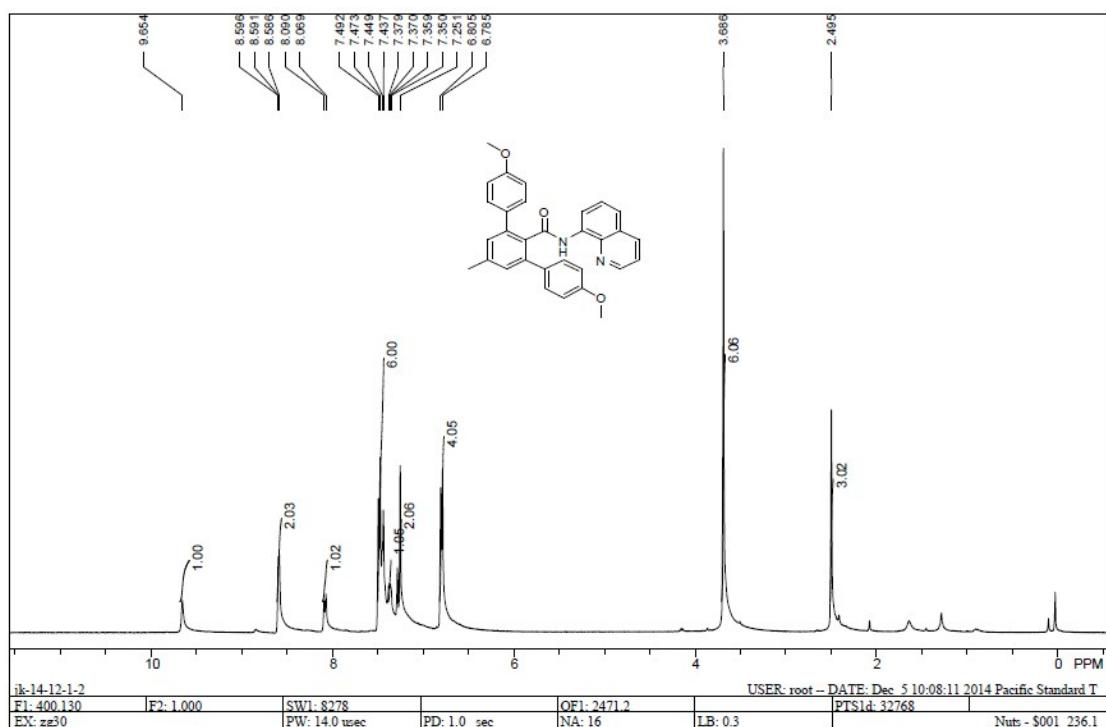
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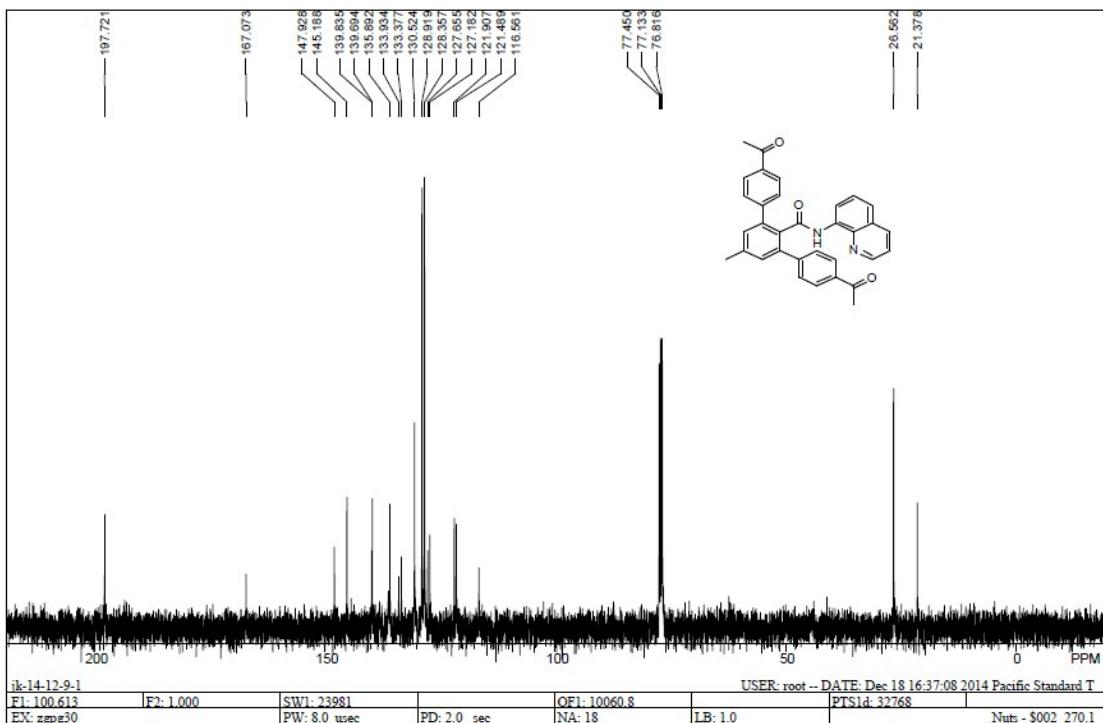
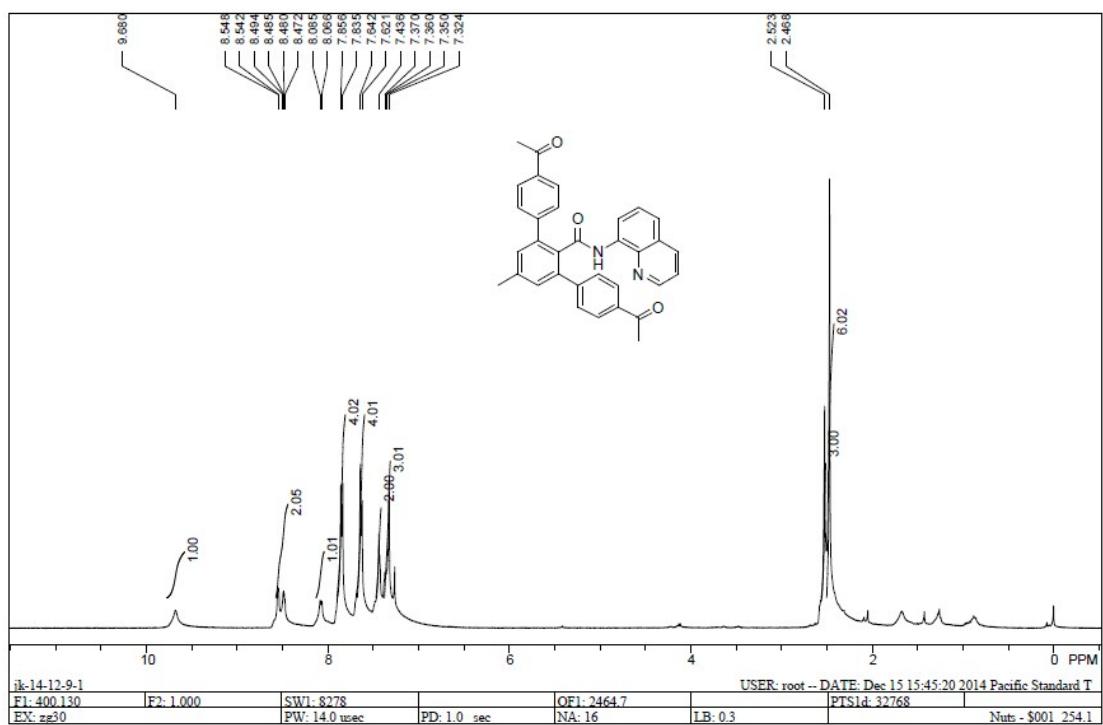
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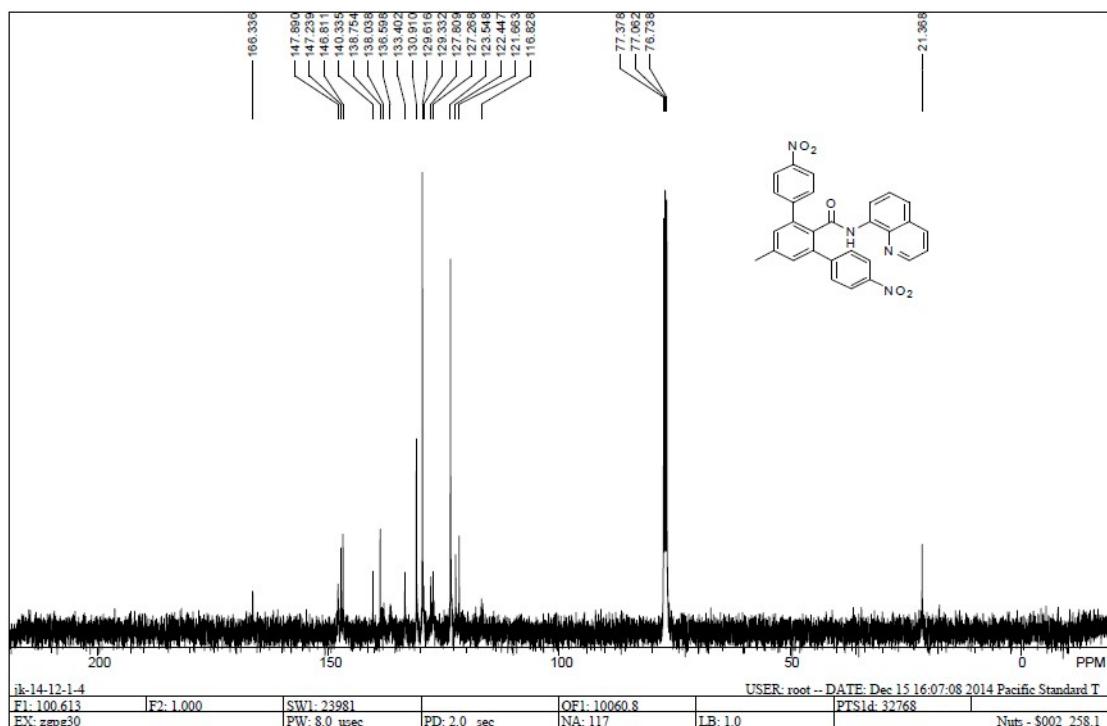
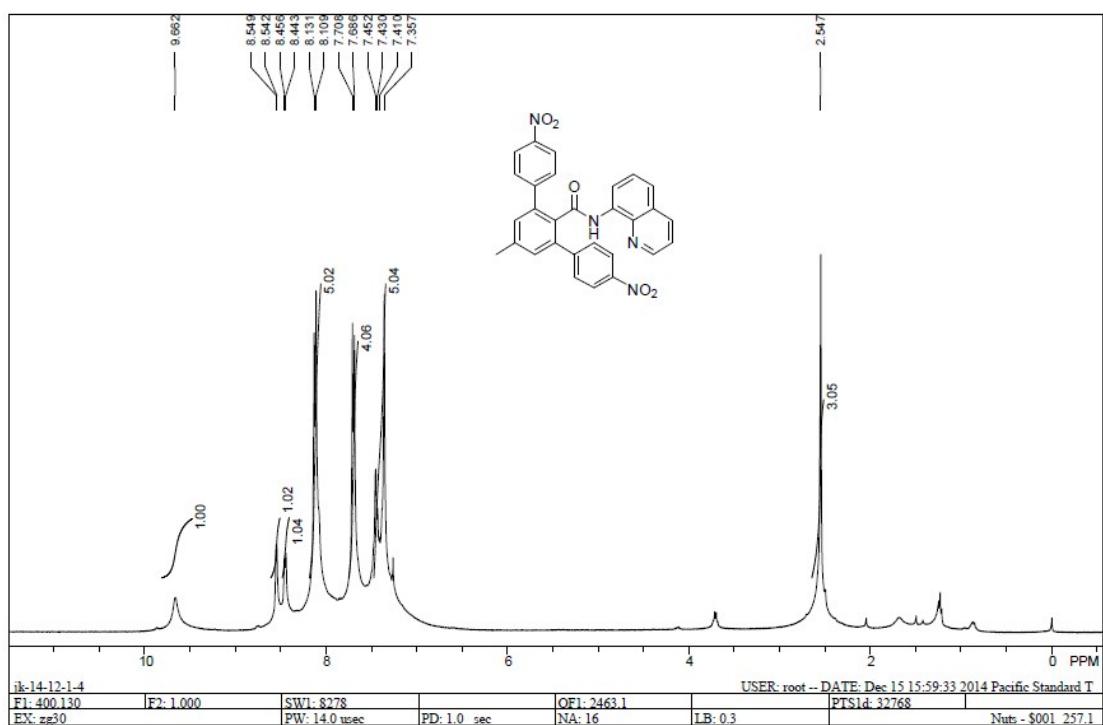
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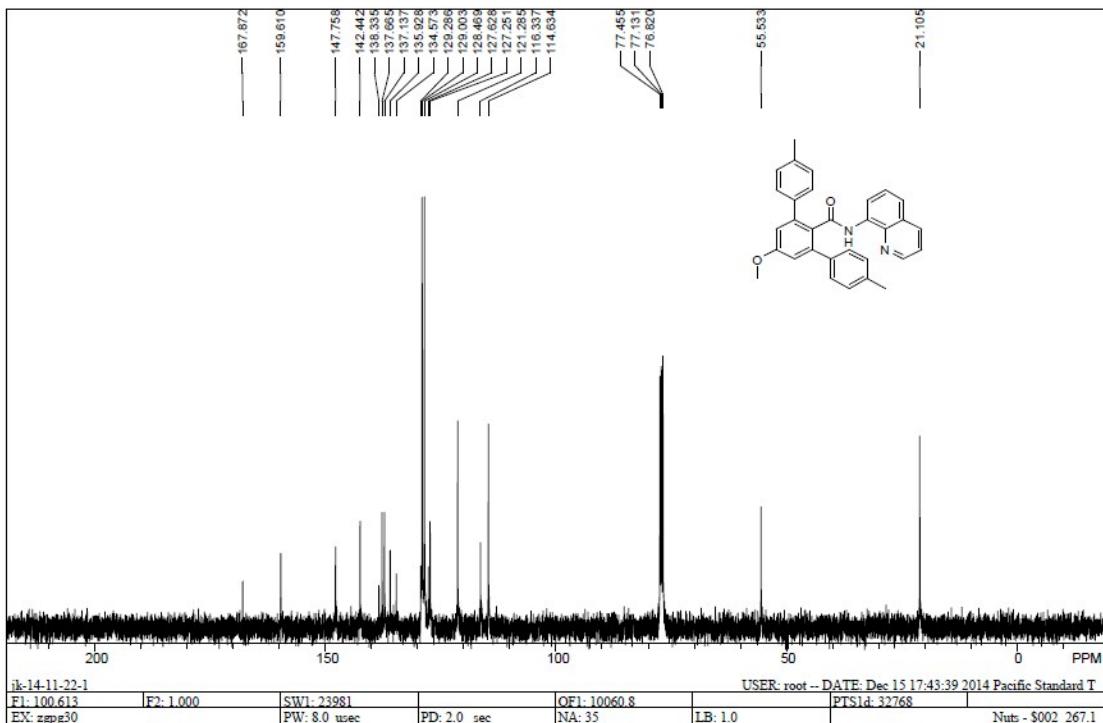
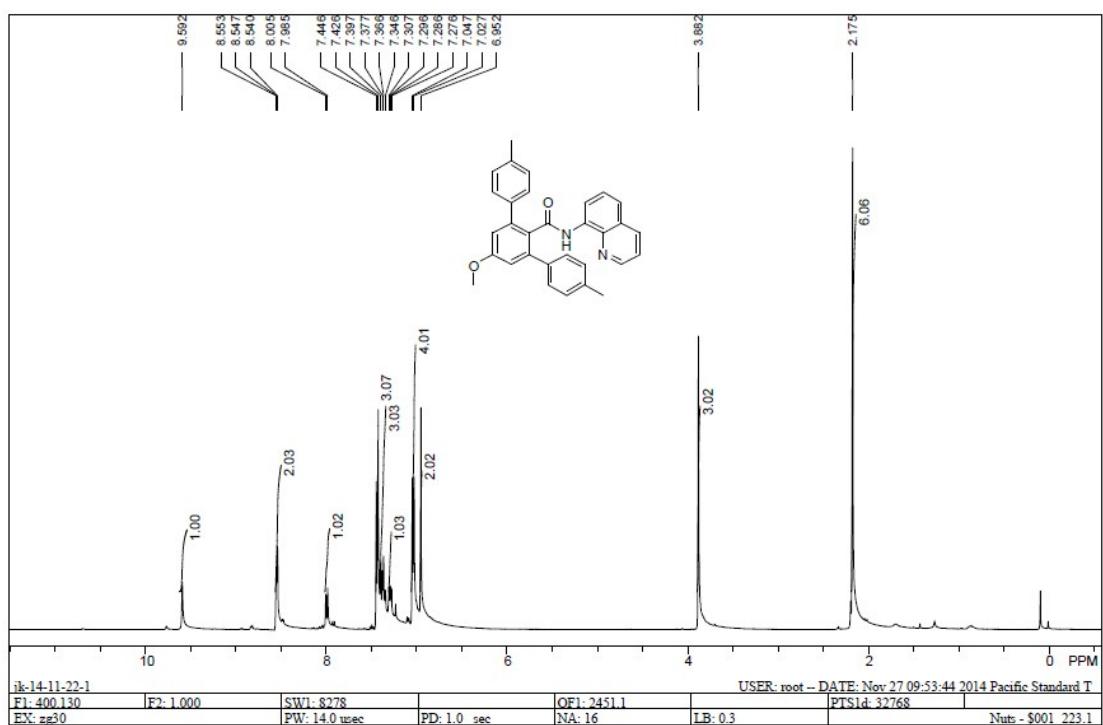
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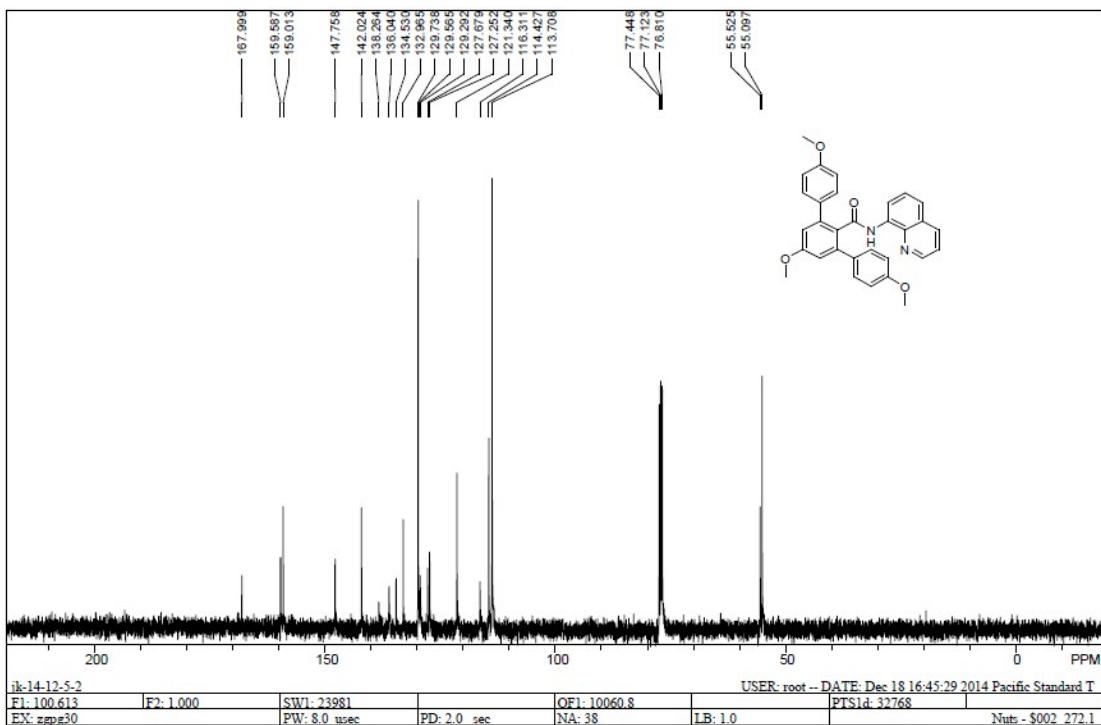
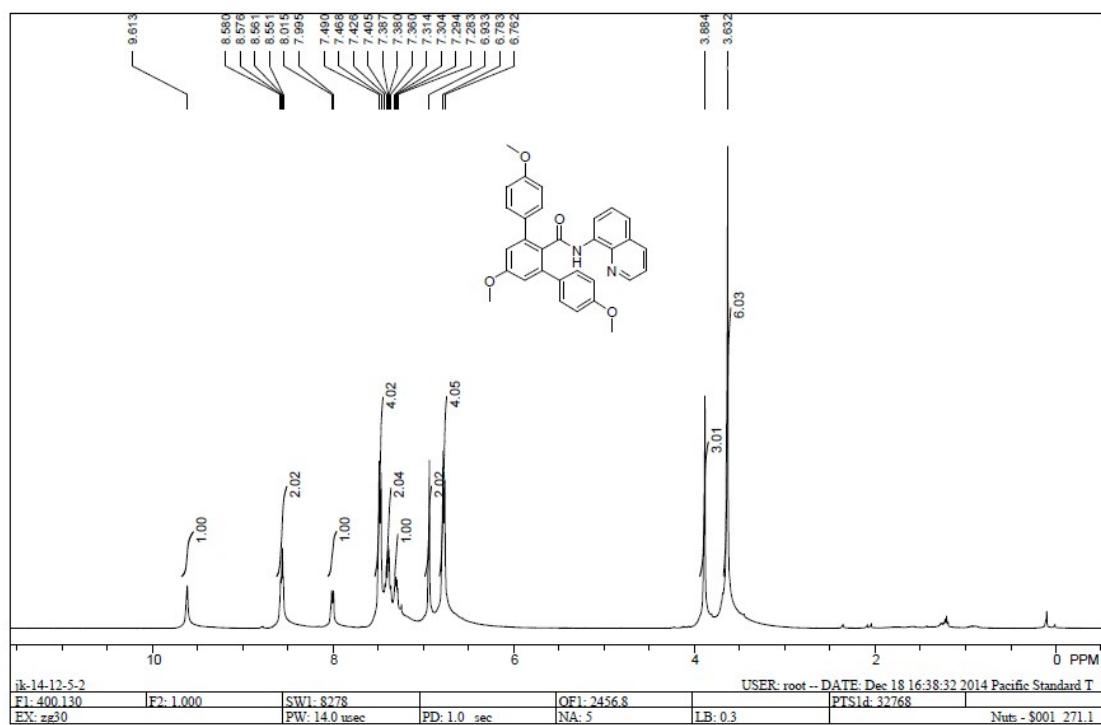
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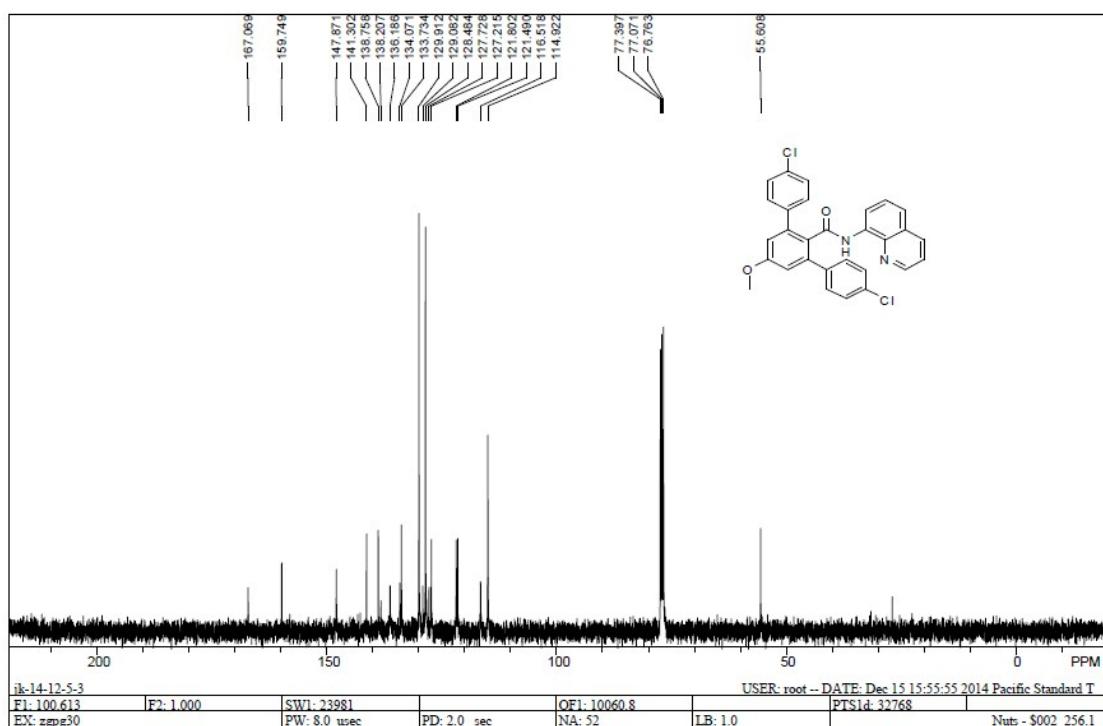
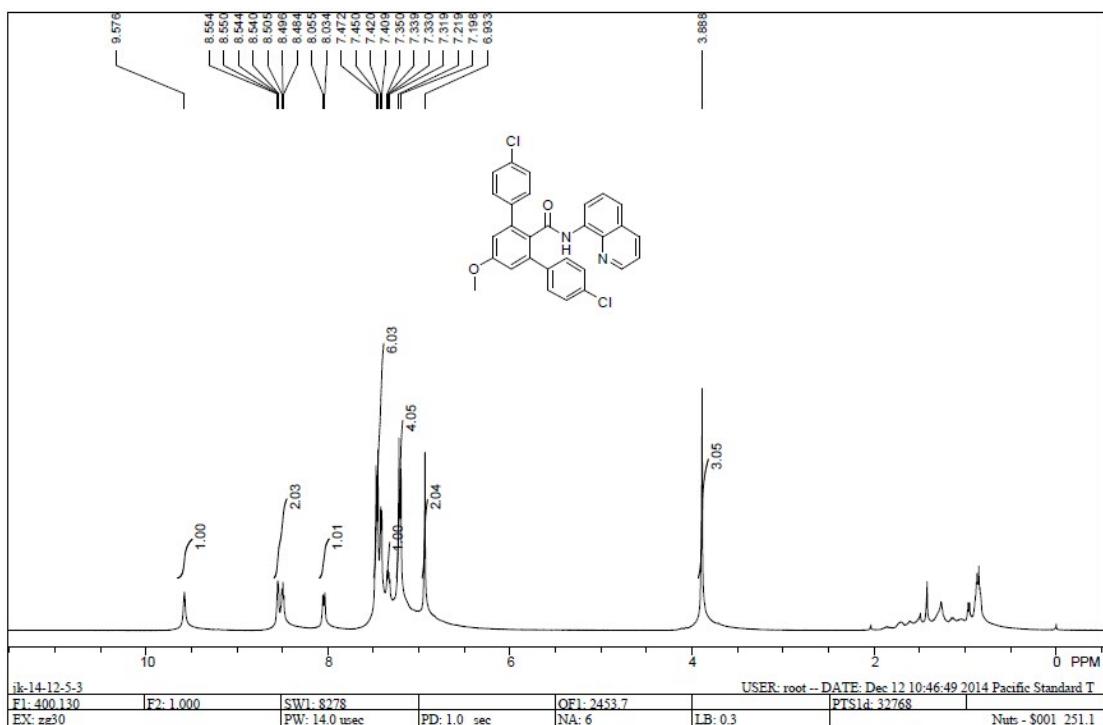
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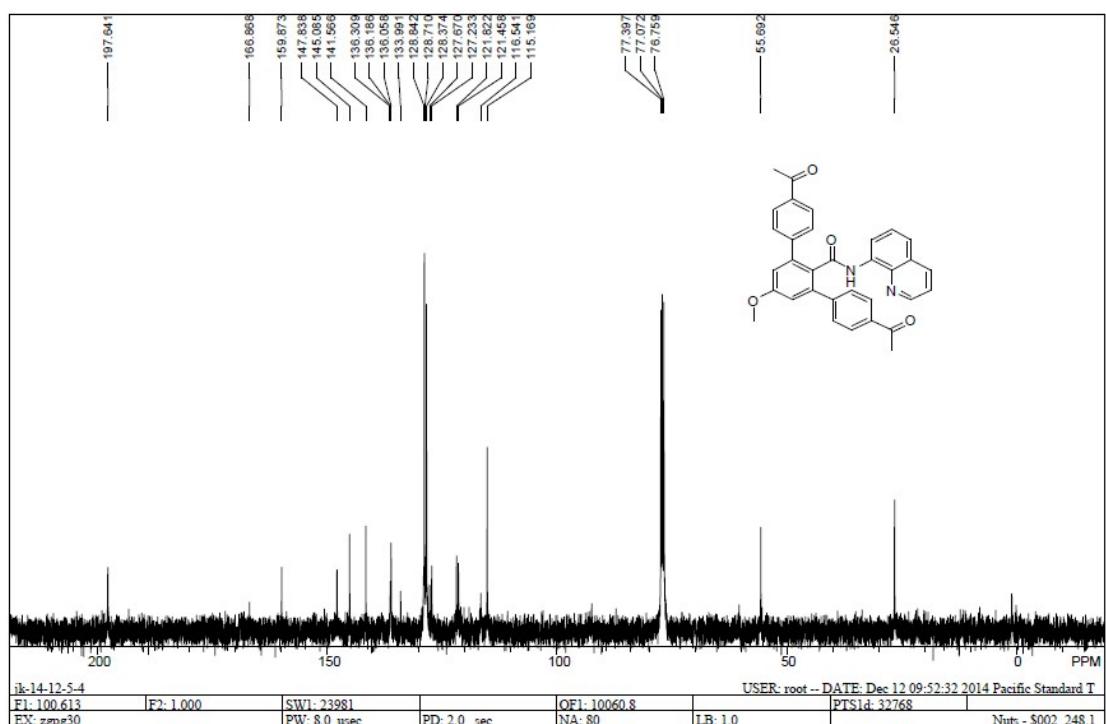
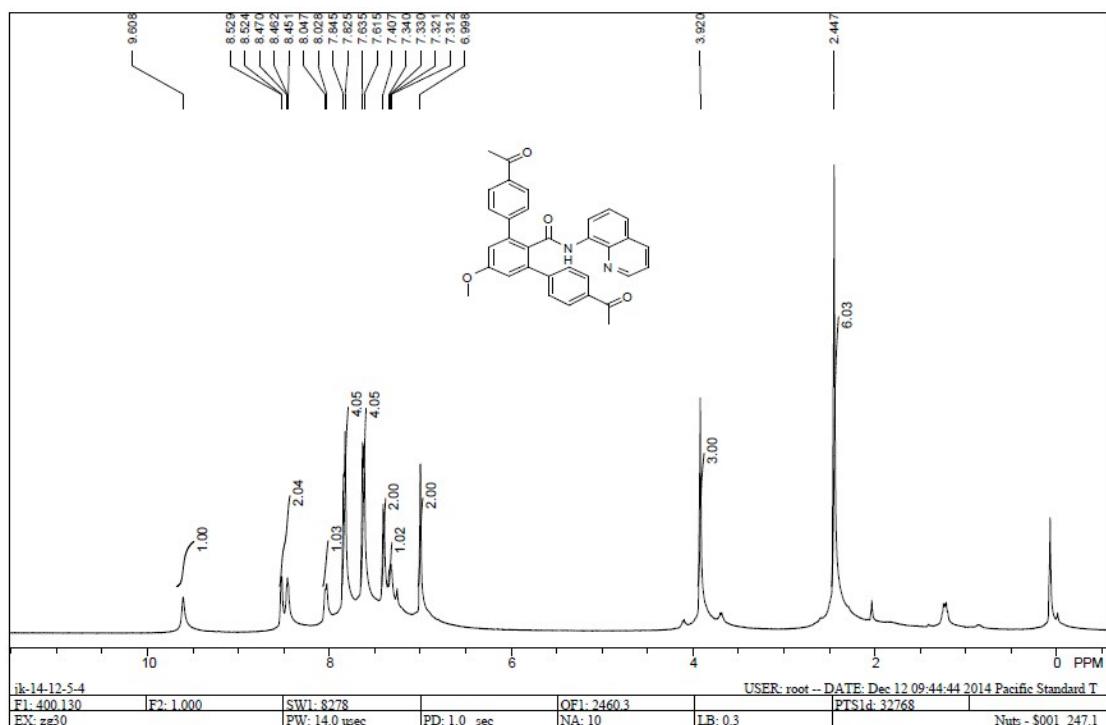
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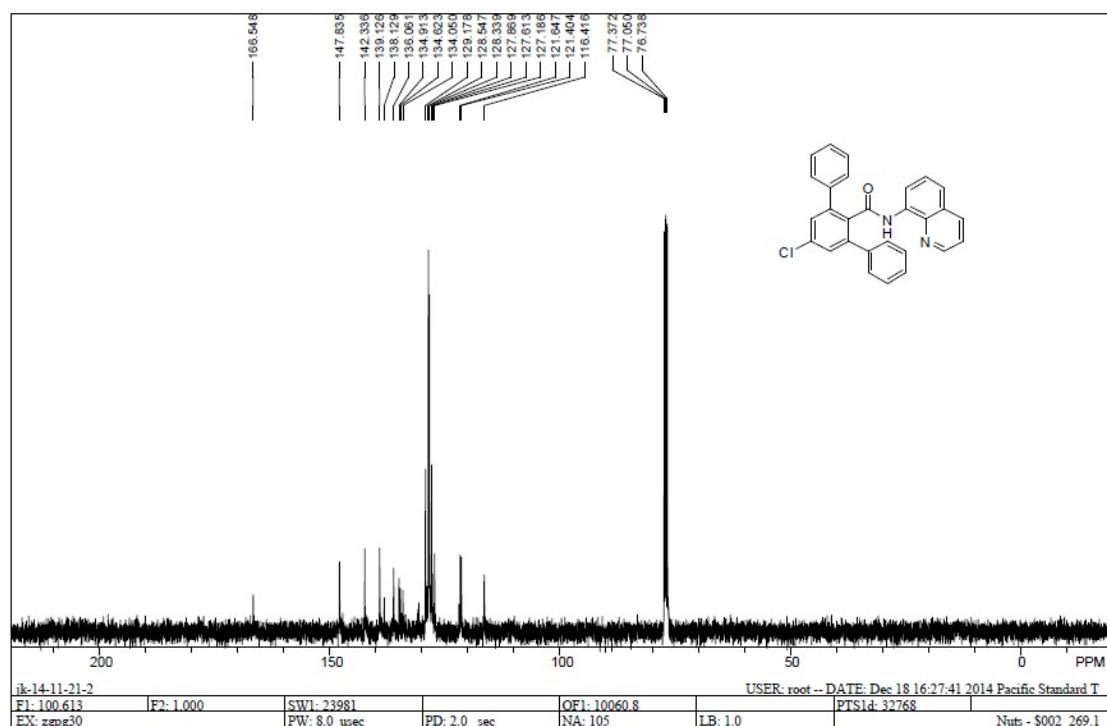
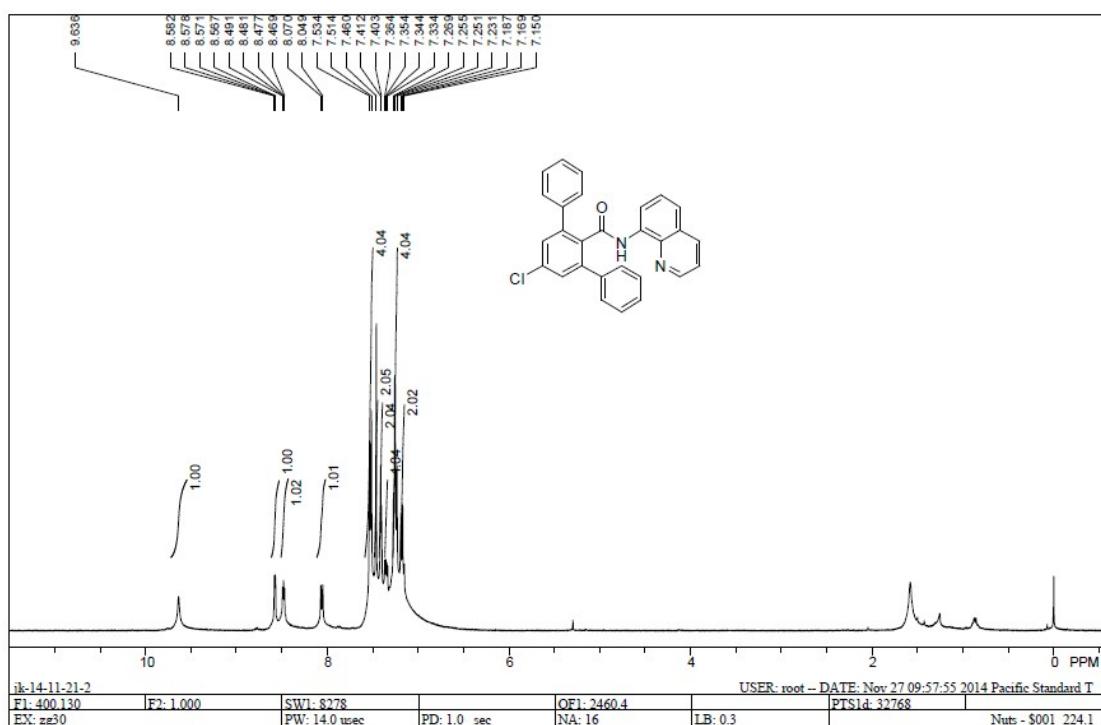
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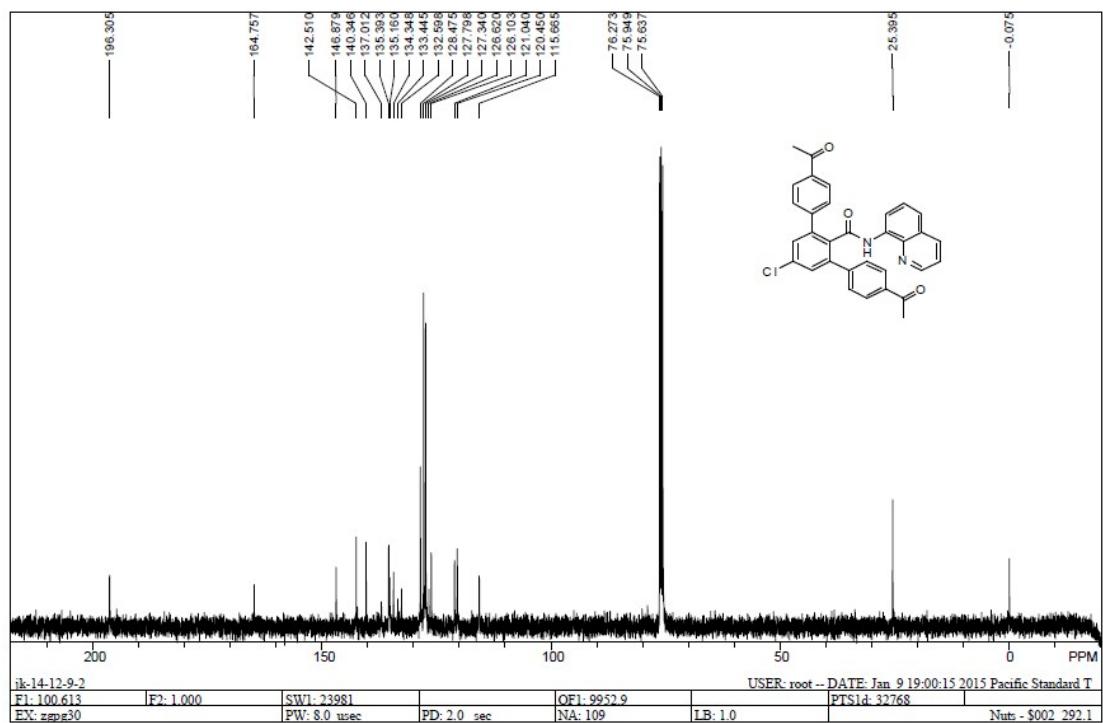
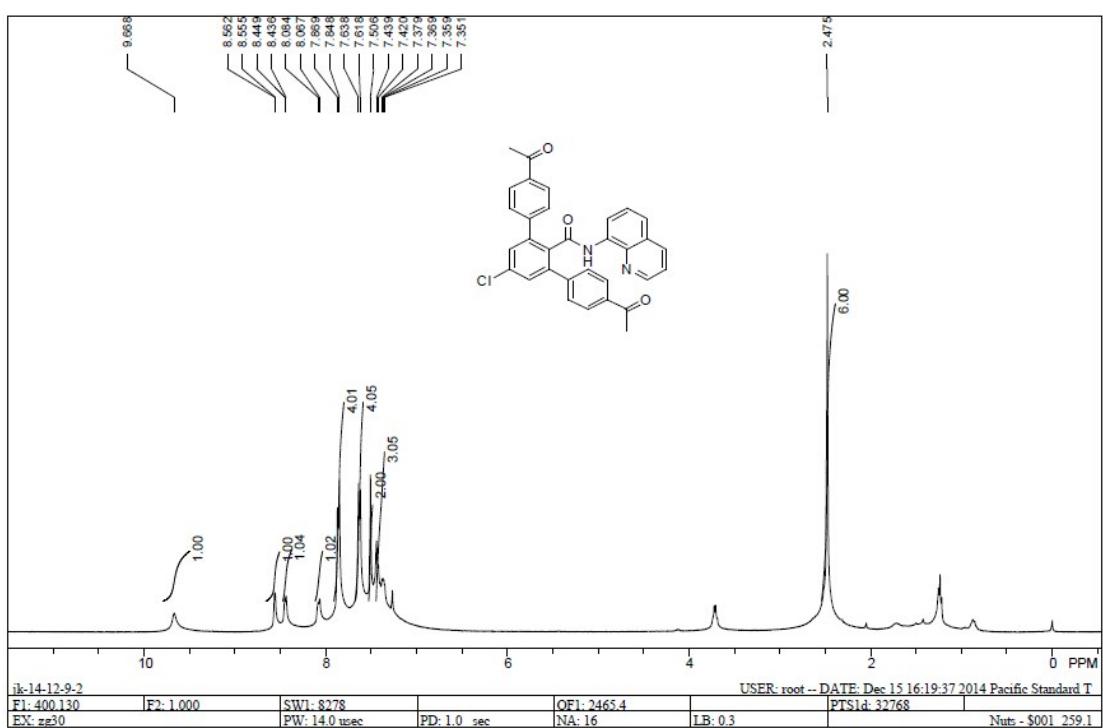
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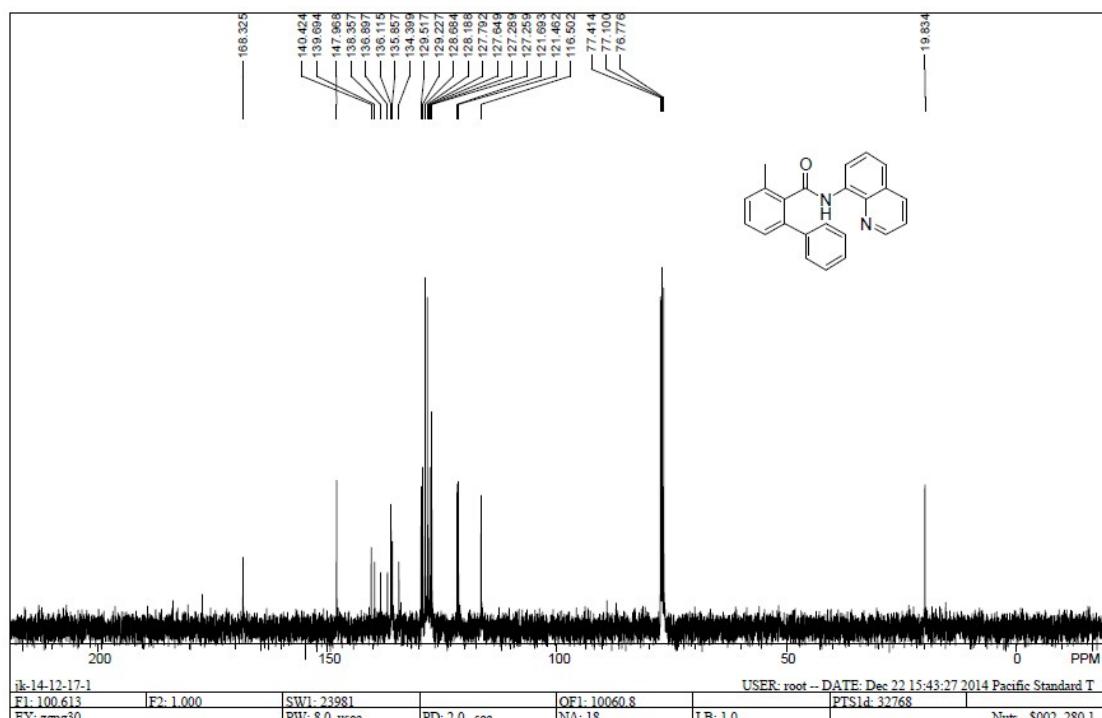
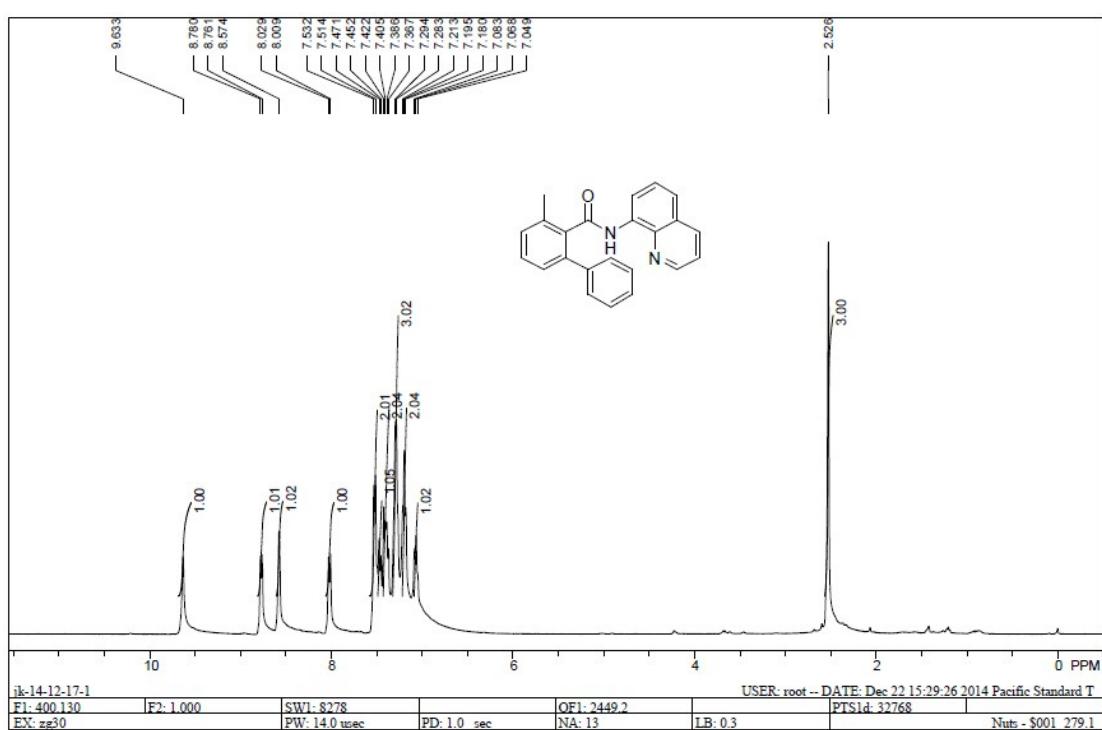
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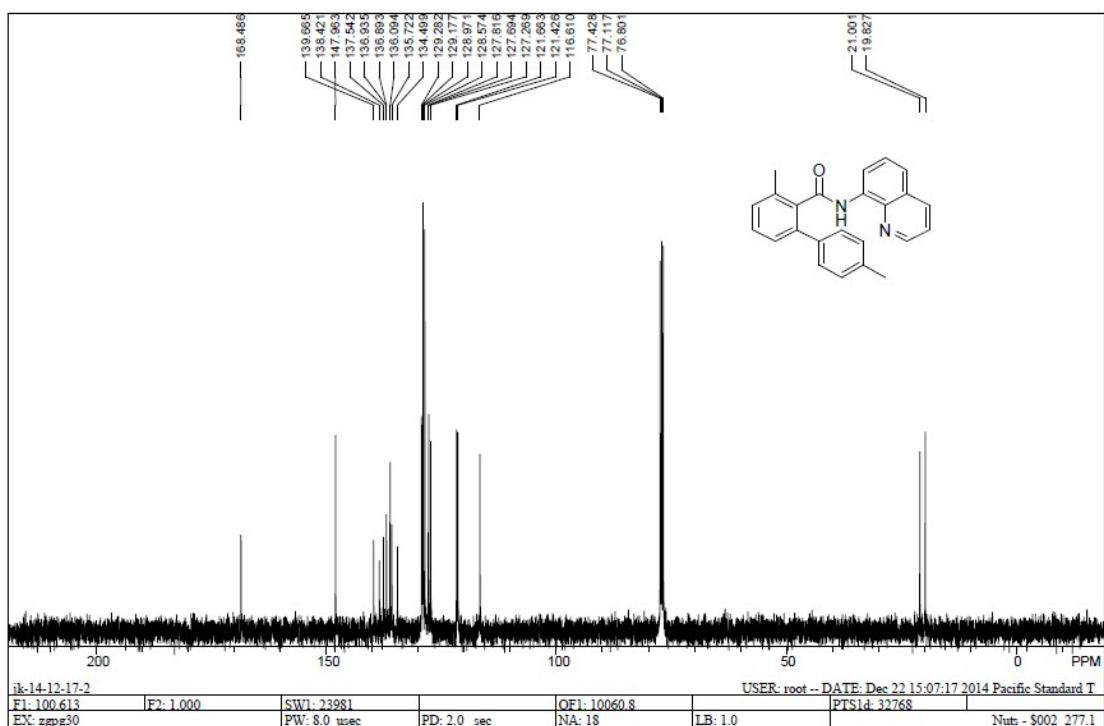
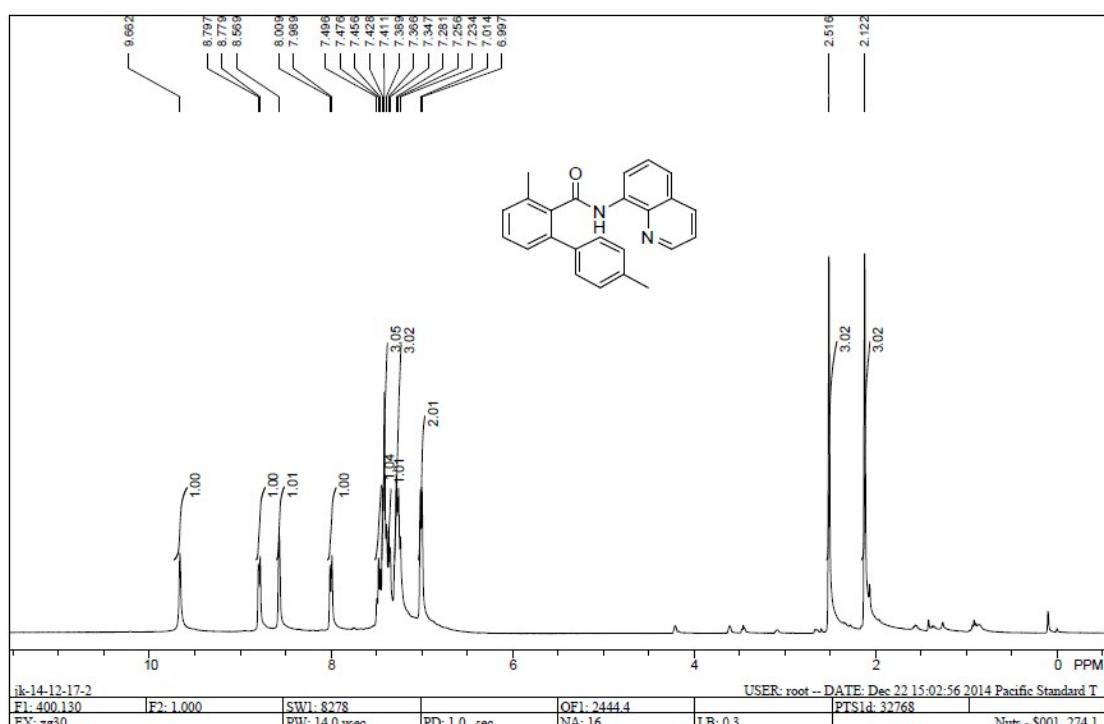
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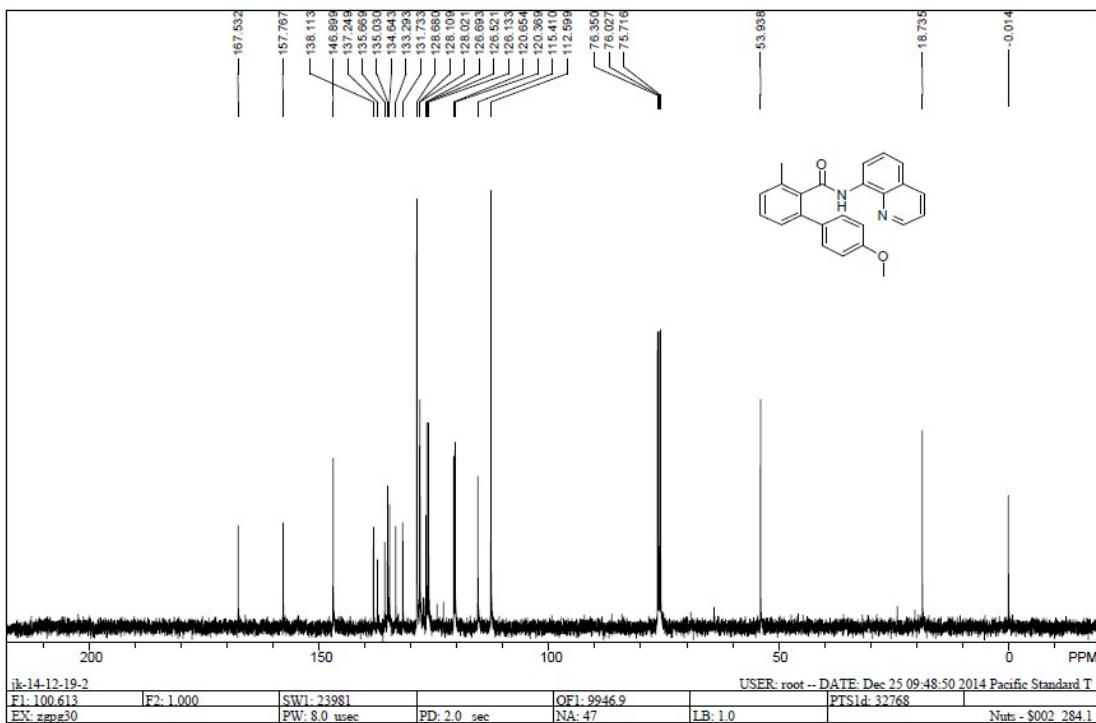
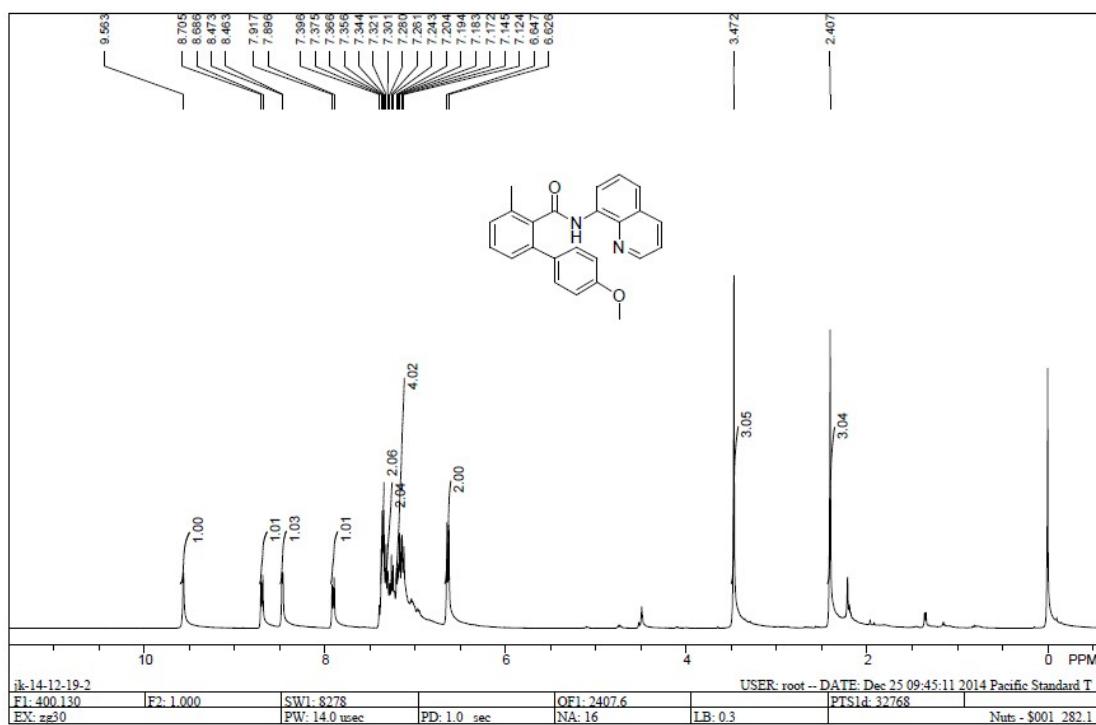
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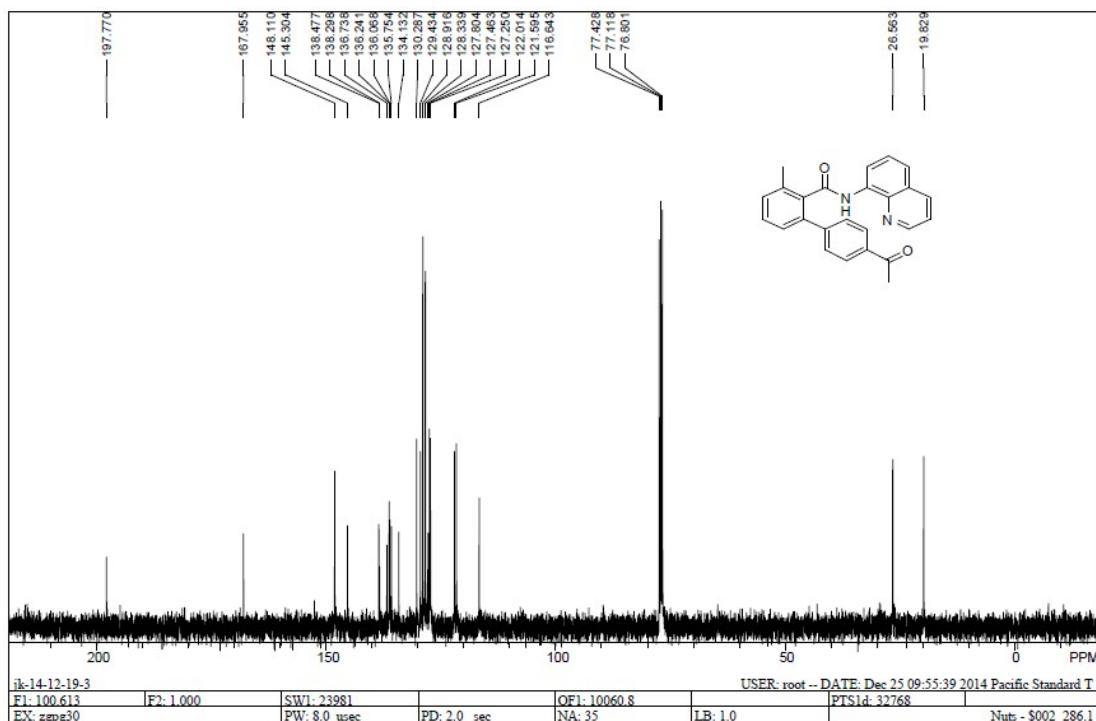
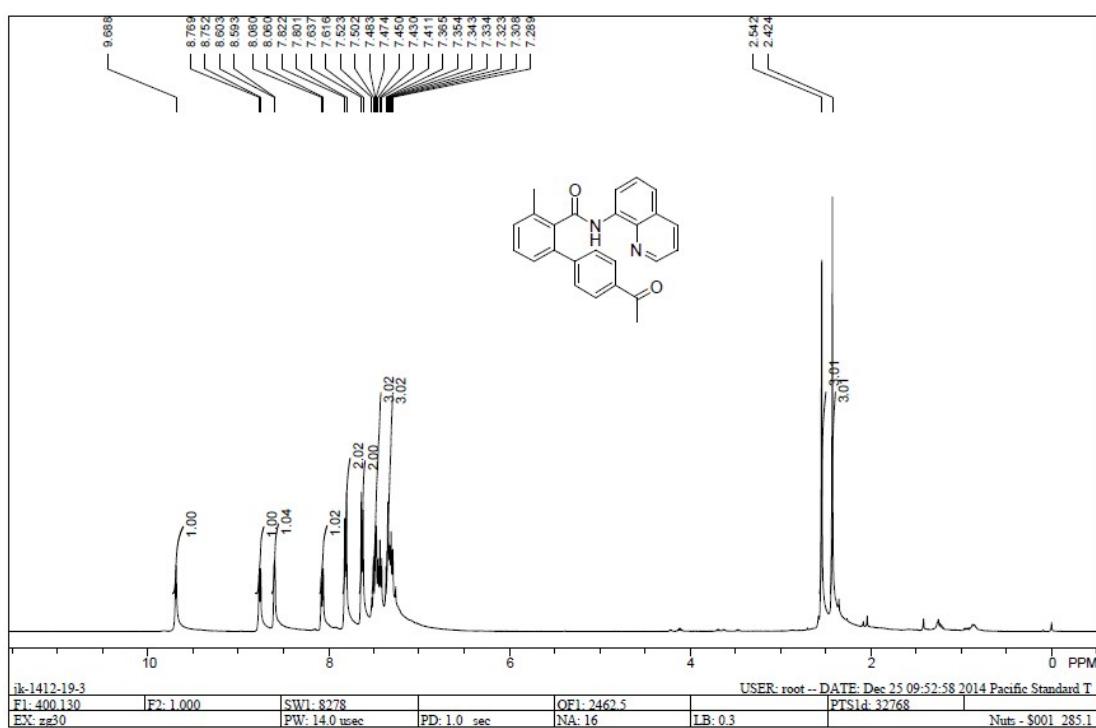
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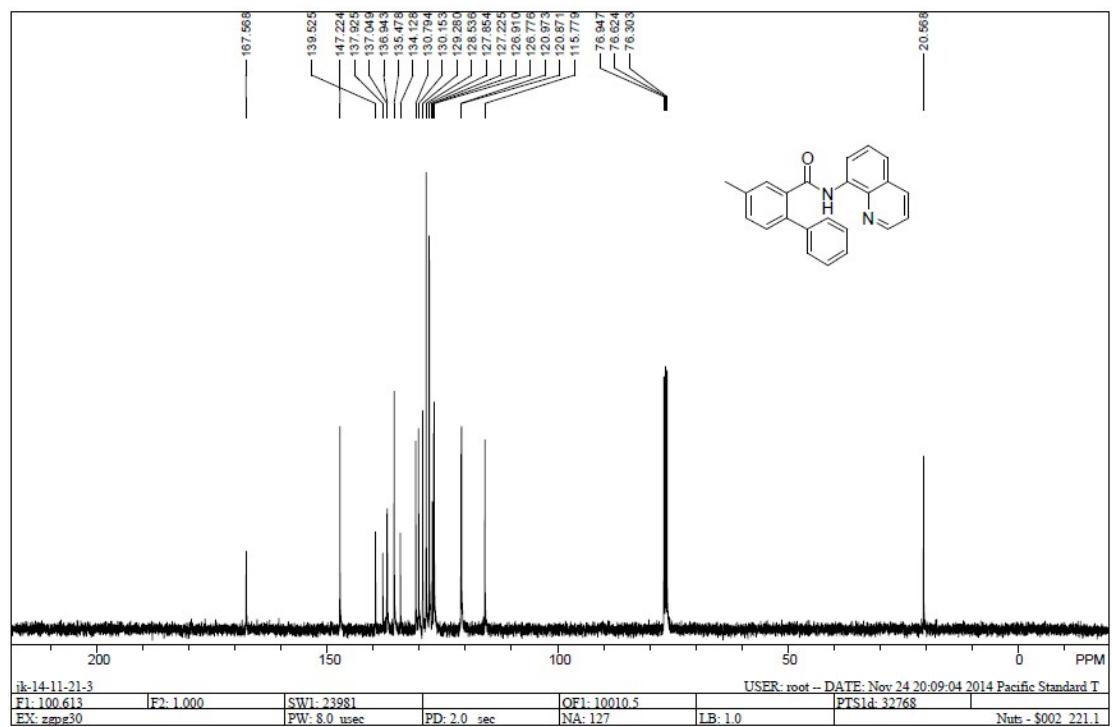
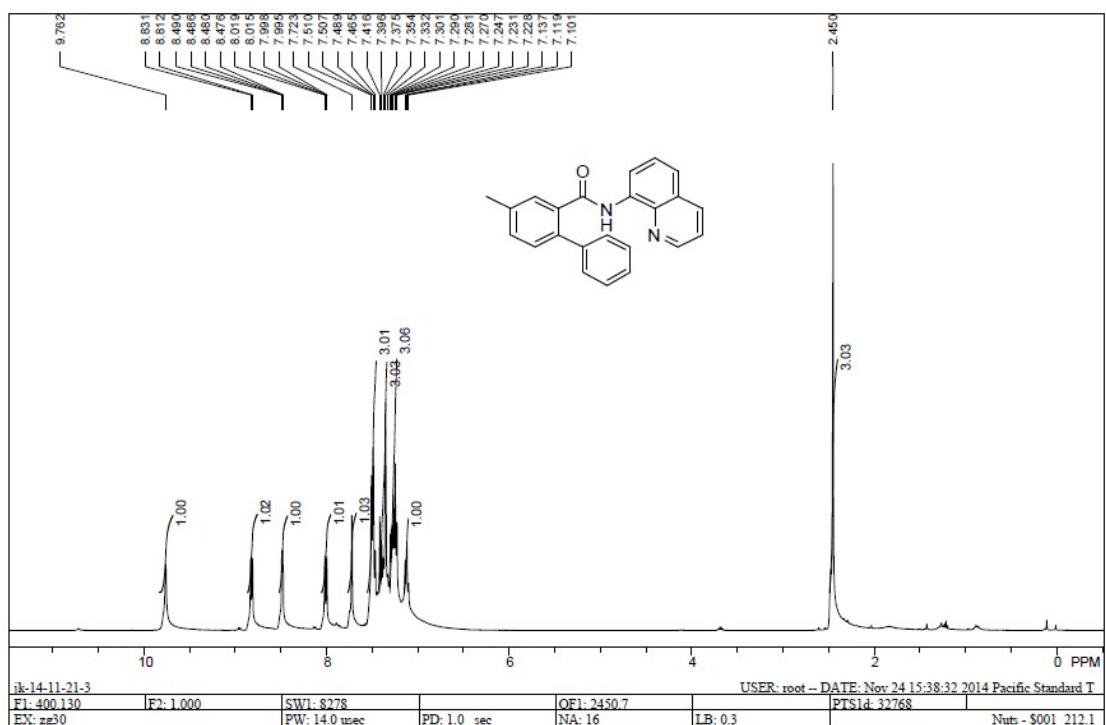
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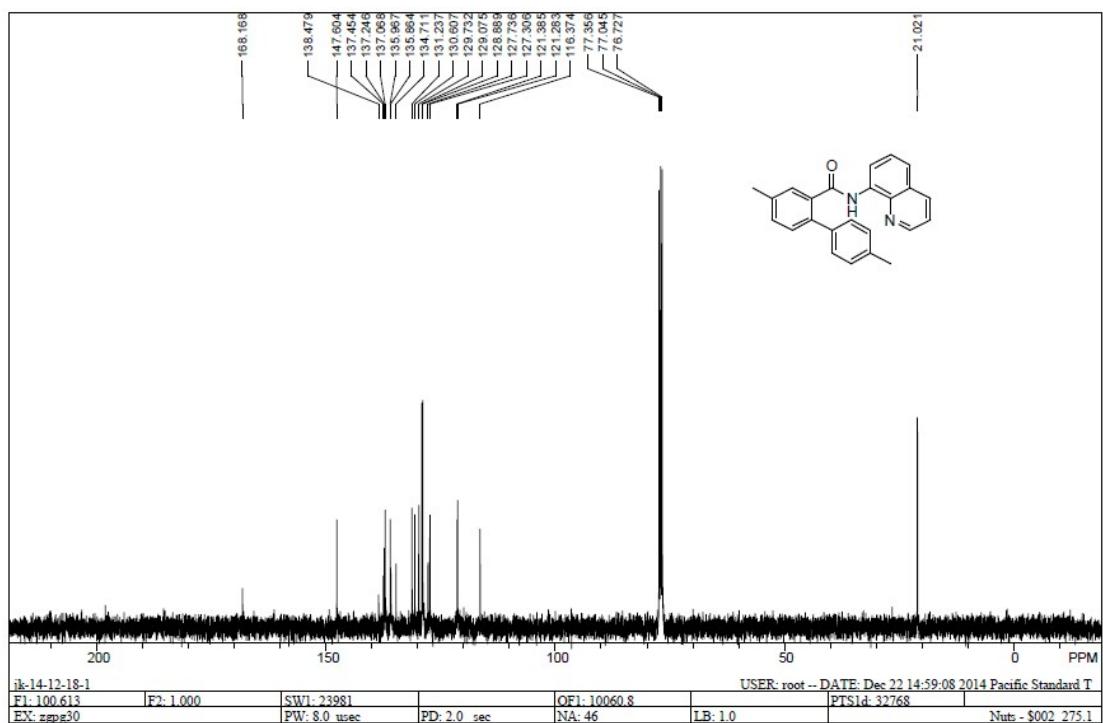
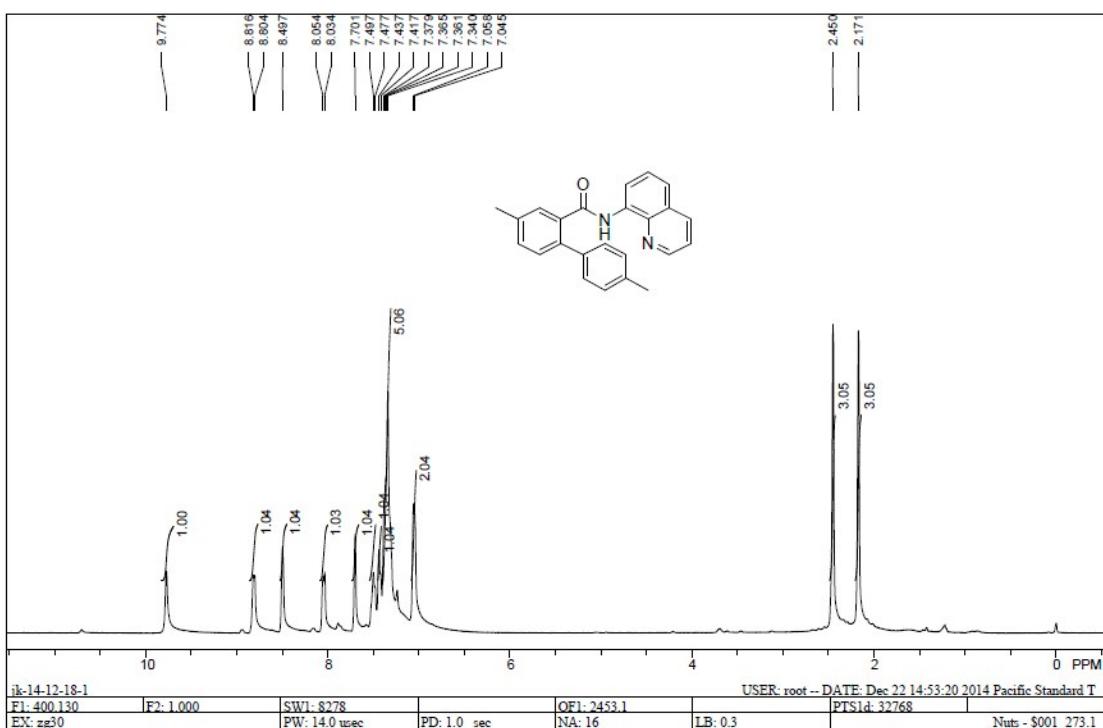
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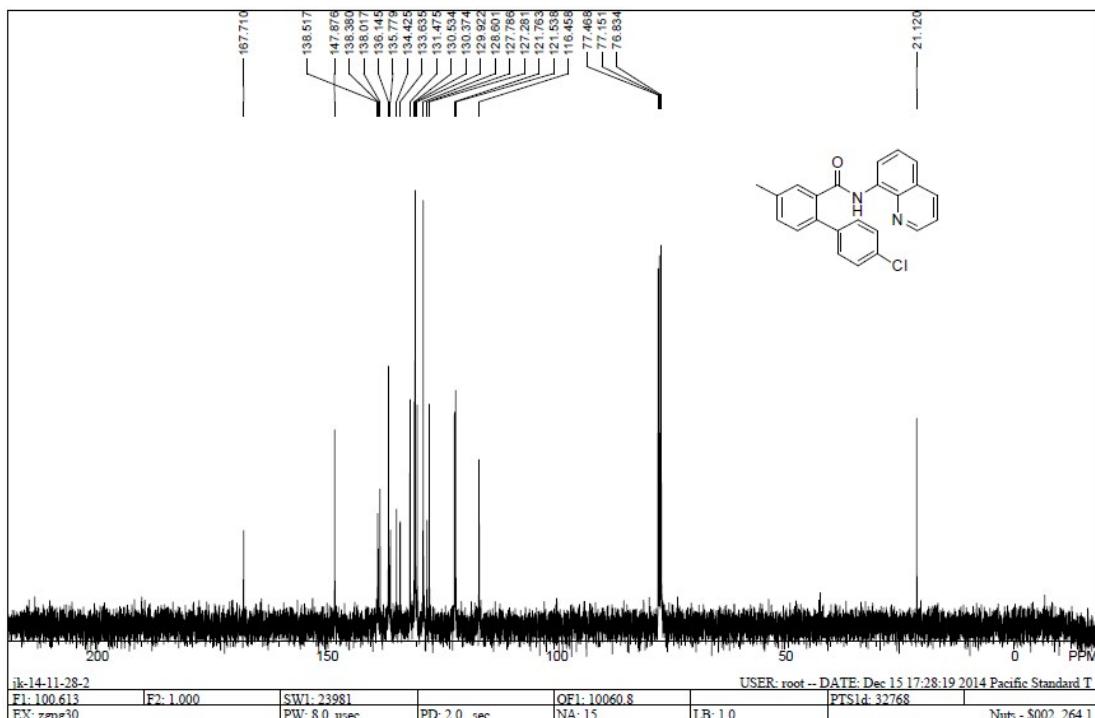
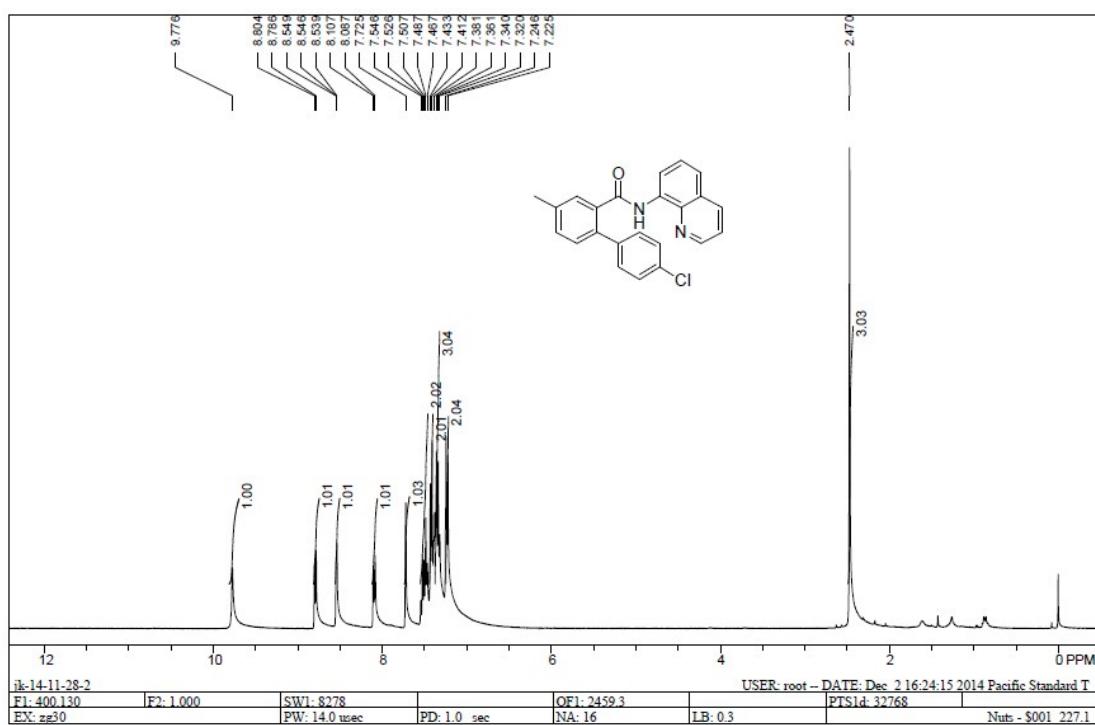
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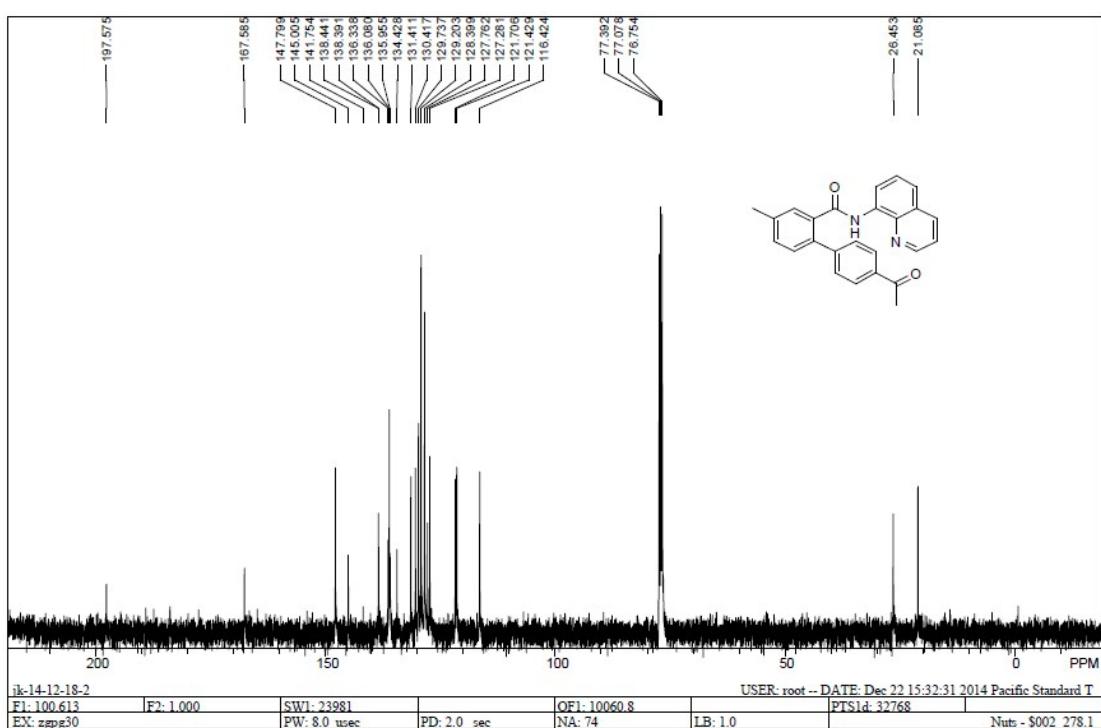
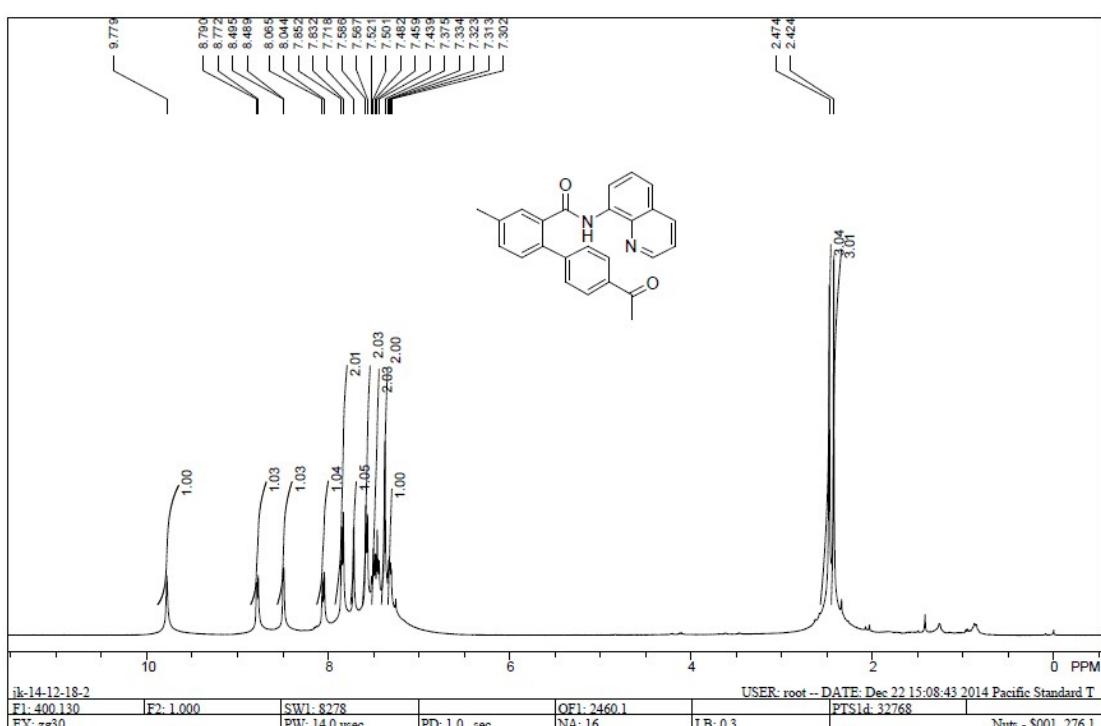
¹H and ¹³C NMR of 5f



¹H and ¹³C NMR of 5g



¹H and ¹³C NMR of 5h



¹H and ¹³C NMR of 5i

