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Enantioselective synthesis of α -alkenyl α -amino acids via N–H insertion reactions

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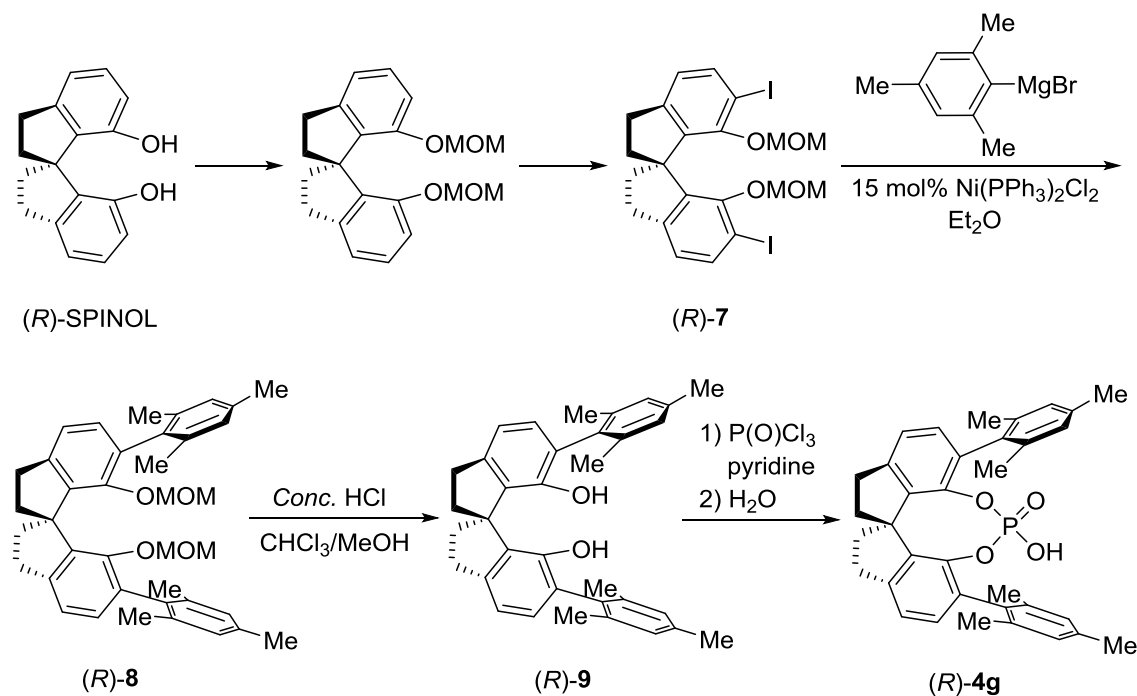
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1. General Information

All solvents were purified and dried using standard procedures.¹ Dirhodium (II) (Sigma-Aldrich) and other commercially available reagents were used without further purification. The chiral spiro phosphoric acids (SPAs) **4a-4f**, **4h**, **4i** were synthesized according to the reported procedures.² Vinyl diazoacetates **1a-1s** were prepared according to the literature procedures.³ All reactions were performed in an argon-filled glovebox (MBRAUN Labstar or Mikrouna super 1220/750) or using standard Schlenk techniques. Melting points were measured on a RY-I apparatus and uncorrected. NMR spectra were recorded with a Bruker AV 400 spectrometer at 400 MHz (¹H NMR) and 100 MHz (¹³C NMR). Chemical shifts (δ values) were reported in ppm down field from internal Me₄Si (¹H and ¹³C NMR). High Resolution Mass Spectra (HRMS) were recorded on an IonSpec FT-ICR mass spectrometer with Electron Spray Ionization (ESI) resource. Enantiomeric excesses (ee) of the N-H insertion products were determined by High Performance Liquid Chromatography (HPLC). HPLC analyses were performed on a Hewlett Packard Model HP 1100 Series chromatography.

2. Synthesis of (R)-4g



The (R)-7 were prepared from optically pure (R)-1,1'-spirobiindane-7,7'-diols (SPINOL) according to our previously reported procedures.⁴ A typical procedure for preparation of (R)-4g is described as following.

In a flame dried 100 mL three neck round bottom flask Mg (330 mg, 13.7 mmol) was layered with a minimum amount of anhydrous Et₂O. After addition of 2-bromo-1,3,5-trimethylbenzene (0.1 mL) and a few drops of 1,2-dibromoethane the Grignard reaction was initiated by local heating. After initiation the remaining Et₂O (25 mL in total) and 2-

bromo-1,3,5-trimethylbenzene (1.55 g, 7.8 mmol in total) were added alternately to keep the reaction refluxing without the need for external heating. After complete addition the mixture was refluxed for 16 h. After cooling to ambient temperature this Grignard solution was added dropwise to a mixture of (*R*)-**7** (464 mg, 0.78 mmol) and Ni(PPh₃)₂Cl₂ (76 mg, 0.12 mmol) in anhydrous Et₂O (20 mL) upon which the mixture turned dark. The reaction mixture was refluxed for 24 h, cooled to ambient temperature, carefully quenched by slow addition of H₂O and saturated NH₄Cl solution and diluted with CH₂Cl₂. The layers were dried over by MgSO₄ and the solvent removed under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography (PE/CH₂Cl₂ = 4:1 v/v; PE = petroleum ether) to give (*R*)-**8** as a light yellow solid (206 mg, 46% yield). TLC *R*_f = 0.40 (PE/CH₂Cl₂ = 4:1 v/v). Mp: 170–171 °C. [α]_D²⁶ = +191 (c 0.93, CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.90 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 6.80 (s, 4H, Ar-H), 6.75 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 4.11 (d, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 3.86 (d, *J* = 5.2 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 3.05–2.90 (m, 4H, 2CH₂), 2.53 (s, 6H, 2OCH₃), 2.50–2.42 (m, 2H, 2CH₂), 2.40–2.22 (m, 2H, 2CH₂), 2.20 (s, 6H, 2ArCH₃), 2.01 (s, 6H, 2CH₃), 1.94 (s, 6H, 2CH₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 151.9 (2C, Ar-C), 144.6 (2C, Ar-C), 142.3 (2C, Ar-C), 137.1 (2C, Ar-C), 136.5 (2C, Ar-C), 136.4 (2C, Ar-C), 136.1 (2C, Ar-C), 131.1 (2C, Ar-C), 130.3 (2C, Ar-C), 128.0 (4C, Ar-C), 119.9 (2C, Ar-C), 97.5 (2C, 2OCH₂O), 60.0 (1C, C), 55.9 (2C, 2OCH₃), 39.8 (2C, 2CH₂), 31.2 (2C, 2CH₂), 21.0 (2C, 2CH₃), 20.9 (2C, 2CH₃), 20.4 (2C, 2CH₃). HRMS (ESI) Calcd for [C₃₉H₄₄O₄Na, M + Na]⁺: 599.3132, Found: 599.3131.

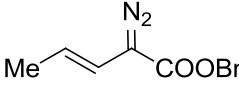
To a solution of (*R*)-**8** (859 mg, 1.49 mmol) in 8 mL CHCl₃ and 12 mL MeOH, conc. HCl (8.0 mL) was added and the mixture was heated at reflux for 3 h. After cooled to ambient temperature, the mixture was poured into water, extracted by CH₂Cl₂ and the combined organic phase was washed with saturated NaHCO₃ and brine, dried over by MgSO₄. The solvent was removed, and the residue was purified by chromatography (PE/EA = 10:1 v/v; EA = ethyl acetate) to give (*R*)-**9** (727 mg, 100% yield) as a white solid. TLC *R*_f = 0.38 (PE/EA = 10:1 v/v). Mp: 223–224 °C. [α]_D²⁵ = +271 (c 1.0, CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.99 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 4H, Ar-H), 6.95–6.87 (m, 4H, Ar-H), 4.60 (s, 2H, 2OH), 3.35–3.15 (m, 4H, 2CH₂), 2.55–2.40 (m, 4H, 2CH₂), 2.37 (s, 6H, 2CH₃), 2.10 (s, 6H, 2CH₃), 1.98 (s, 6H, 2CH₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 149.2 (2C, Ar-C), 144.5 (2C, Ar-C), 137.6 (2C, Ar-C), 137.4 (2C, Ar-C), 137.2 (2C, Ar-C), 132.7 (2C, Ar-C), 129.5 (2C, Ar-C), 128.3 (2C, Ar-C), 128.2 (2C, Ar-C), 125.1 (2C, Ar-C), 116.9 (2C, Ar-C), 58.5 (1C, C), 38.2 (2C, 2CH₂), 31.3 (2C, 2CH₂), 21.0 (2C, 2CH₃), 20.4 (2C, 2CH₃), 20.1 (2C, 2CH₃). HRMS (ESI) Calcd for [C₃₅H₃₆O₂Na, M + Na]⁺: 511.2608, Found: 511.2608.

To a 50 mL oven-dried Schlenk flask containing (*R*)-**9** (122 mg, 0.25 mmol) was added 4 mL anhydrous pyridine and freshly distilled P(O)Cl₃ (249 mg, 1.63 mmol) under a nitrogen atmosphere. The mixture was stirred for 12 h under 90 °C. After cooling to room temperature, 4 mL of H₂O was added. The mixture was stirred for another 12 h under 90 °C, then cooled by an ice-bath, followed by slow addition of 35 mL 3N HCl. After stirring for 1 h, the mixture was extracted by CHCl₃ (20 mL × 4). The combined organic layer was concentrated and purified by chromatography on silica gel (first PE/EA = 1:2, then MeOH/CH₂Cl₂ = 1:10) to give 744 mg white solid. The white solid was dissolved with 100 mL CHCl₃, washed with 3N HCl (50 mL × 3), distilled water (50 mL × 3), and dried

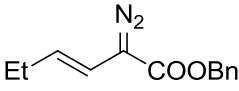
under vacuum to give (*R*)-**4g** as a white solid (136 mg, 98% yield). TLC R_f = 0.35 (PE/EA = 2:1 v/v). Mp: 302–304 °C. $[\alpha]_D^{24}$ = +217 (c 0.6, CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.13 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 6.99 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 6.74 (s, 2H, Ar-H), 6.70 (s, 2H, Ar-H), 3.15–3.04 (m, 2H, CH₂), 2.92–2.82 (m, 2H, CH₂), 2.32–2.23 (m, 2H, CH₂), 2.17 (s, 6H, 2CH₃), 2.10–2.00 (m, 2H, CH₂), 2.03 (s, 6H, 2CH₃), 1.96 (s, 6H, 2CH₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 144.6 (2C, Ar-C), 143.1 (2C, Ar-C), 139.9 (2C, Ar-C), 136.8 (2C, Ar-C), 136.4 (2C, Ar-C), 136.2 (2C, Ar-C), 133.4 (2C, Ar-C), 132.6 (2C, Ar-C), 131.5 (2C, Ar-C), 128.6 (2C, Ar-C), 127.4 (2C, Ar-C), 121.9 (2C, Ar-C), 59.9 (1C, C), 38.5 (2C, 2CH₂), 30.1 (2C, 2CH₂), 21.3 (2C, 2CH₃), 21.1 (2C, 2CH₃), 20.4 (2C, 2CH₃). ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -9.3 (s). HRMS (ESI) calcd for [C₃₅H₃₄O₄P⁺, M - H]⁺: 549.2200, Found: 549.2205.

3. Analytical Data of New Vinyldiazoacetates

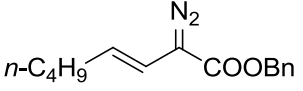
(*E*)-Benzyl 2-diazopent-3-enoate (**1a**)

 Red oil, TLC R_f = 0.25 (PE/EA = 25:1 v/v), 80% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.35–7.29 (m, 5H, Ar-H), 5.75 (dd, J_1 = 16.0 Hz, J_2 = 1.6 Hz, 1H, CH=CH), 5.35–5.26 (m, 1H, CH=CH), 5.22 (s, 2H, CH₂Ph), 1.81 (dd, J_1 = 6.8 Hz, J_2 = 1.6 Hz, 3H, CH₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.3 (1C, C=O), 135.8 (1C, CH=CH), 128.4 (2C, Ar-C), 128.2 (1C, Ar-C), 128.1 (1C, Ar-C), 128.0 (1C, Ar-C), 120.3 (1C, Ar-C), 112.5 (1C, CH=CH), 66.4 (1C, CH₂Ph), 18.1 (1C, CH₃). IR (neat): 3030w, 2962w, 2881w, 2080s (C=N), 1702s, 1252s, 735w, 697w cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) Calcd for [C₁₂H₁₂N₂O₂Na, M + Na]⁺: 239.0791, Found: 239.0793.

(*E*)-Benzyl 2-diazohept-3-enoate (**1b**)

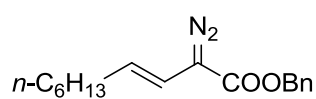
 Red oil, TLC R_f = 0.20 (PE/EA = 25:1 v/v), 74% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.36–7.31 (m, 5H, Ar-H), 5.74 (dt, J_1 = 16.0 Hz, J_2 = 1.6 Hz, 1H, CH=CH), 5.37–5.33 (m, 1H, CH=CH), 5.24 (s, 2H, CH₂Ph), 2.21–2.14 (m, 2H, CH₂), 1.02 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H, CH₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.4 (1C, C=O), 135.8 (1C, CH=CH), 128.5 (1C, Ar-C), 128.2 (2C, Ar-C), 128.1 (1C, Ar-C), 127.2 (2C, Ar-C), 110.7 (1C, CH=CH), 66.5 (1C, CH₂Ph), 25.8 (1C, CH₂), 13.7 (1C, CH₃). IR (neat): 2964w, 2080s (C=N), 1702s, 1455m, 1307m, 1135m, 951m, 735w, 697w cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) Calcd for [C₁₃H₁₄N₂O₂Na, M + Na]⁺: 253.0947, Found: 253.0952.

(*E*)-Benzyl 2-diazo-oct-3-enoate (**1c**)

 Red oil, TLC R_f = 0.24 (PE/EA = 25:1 v/v), 63% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.37–7.34 (m, 5H, Ar-H), 5.76–5.71 (m, 1H, CH=CH), 5.34–5.24 (m, 3H, CH=CH and CH₂Ph), 2.19–2.14 (m, 2H, CH₂), 1.38–1.34 (m, 4H, (CH₂)₂), 0.90 (t, J = 3.6 Hz, 3H, CH₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.3 (1C, C=O), 135.8 (1C, CH=CH), 128.4 (1C, Ar-C), 128.1 (2C, Ar-C), 128.0 (1C, Ar-C), 125.8 (2C, Ar-C), 111.4 (1C, CH=CH), 66.4 (1C, CH₂Ph), 32.4 (1C, CH₂), 31.5 (1C, CH₂), 22.0 (1C, CH₂), 13.8 (1C, CH₃). IR (neat): 2957m, 2928m, 2080s (C=N), 1703s, 1456m, 1311m, 1257m, 1134m, 1097s, 950m, 735w, 697w cm⁻¹.

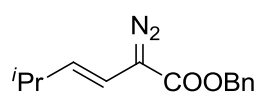
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(E)-Benzyl 2-diazodec-3-enoate (1d)



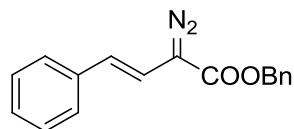
Red oil, TLC R_f = 0.23 (PE/EA = 20:1 v/v), 75% yield. 1H NMR (300 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.36–7.32 (m, 5H, Ar-H), 5.70 (d, J = 21.2 Hz, 1H, CH=CH), 5.36–5.24 (m, 3H, CH=CH and CH_2Ph), 2.15 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H, CH_2), 1.38–1.27 (m, 8H, $(CH_2)_4$), 0.88 (t, J = 6.3 Hz, 3H, CH_3). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 165.5 (1C, C=O), 135.9 (1C, CH=CH), 128.5 (1C, Ar-C), 128.3 (2C, Ar-C), 128.1 (1C, Ar-C), 126.0 (2C, Ar-C), 111.4 (1C, CH=CH), 66.5 (1C, CH_2Ph), 32.8 (1C, CH_2), 31.7 (1C, CH_2), 29.5 (1C, CH_2), 28.7 (1C, CH_2), 22.6 (1C, CH_2), 14.1 (1C, CH_3). IR (neat): 2926m, 2079s (C=N), 1703s, 1243s, 1133s, 735m, 697m cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) Calcd for $[C_{17}H_{22}N_2O_2Na, M + Na]^+$: 309.1573, Found: 309.1574.

(E)-Benzyl 2-diazo-5-methylhex-3-enoate (1e)



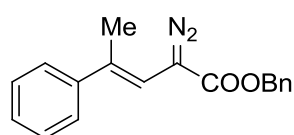
Red oil, TLC R_f = 0.30 (PE/EA = 20:1 v/v), 75% yield. 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.37–7.34 (m, 5H, Ar-H), 5.71 (dd, J_1 = 15.6 Hz, J_2 = 1.2 Hz, 1H, CH=CH), 5.31–5.24 (m, 3H, CH=CH and CH_2Ph), 2.46–2.41 (m, 1H, CH), 1.02 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 6H, $2CH_3$). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 165.5 (1C, C=O), 135.9 (1C, CH=CH), 132.6 (1C, Ar-C), 128.5 (2C, Ar-C), 128.2 (1C, Ar-C), 128.1 (2C, Ar-C), 109.1 (1C, CH=CH), 66.5 (1C, CH_2Ph), 31.4 (1C, CH), 22.5 (2C, CH_3). IR (neat): 3090w, 3034w, 2960m, 2079s (C=N), 1702s cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) Calcd for $[C_{14}H_{16}N_2O_2Na, M + Na]^+$: 267.1104, Found: 267.1108.

(E)-Benzyl 2-diazo-4-phenylbut-3-enoate (1f)



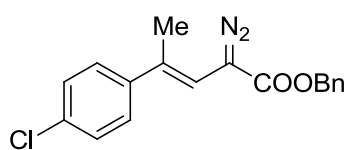
Red solid, TLC R_f = 0.40 (PE/EA = 10:1 v/v), 73% yield. Mp: 52–54 °C. 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.40–7.29 (m, 9H, Ar-H), 7.22–7.18 (m, 1H, Ar-H), 6.49 (d, J = 16.4 Hz, 1H, CH=CH), 6.20 (d, J = 16.4 Hz, 1H, CH), 5.31 (s, 2H, CH_2Ph). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 165.0 (1C, C=O), 136.7 (1C, CH=CH), 135.6 (1C, Ar-C), 128.7 (1C, Ar-C), 128.6 (2C, Ar-C), 128.4 (2C, Ar-C), 128.2 (2C, Ar-C), 127.1 (2C, Ar-C), 125.8 (1C, Ar-C), 123.1 (1C, Ar-C), 111.2 (1C, CH=CH), 66.9 (1C, CH_2Ph). IR (neat): 3059w, 3030w, 2959w, 2079s (C=N), 1701s, 1238s, 734m, 693m cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) Calcd for $[C_{17}H_{14}N_2O_2Na, M + Na]^+$: 301.0947, Found: 301.0952.

(E)-Benzyl 2-diazo-4-phenylpent-3-enoate (1g)



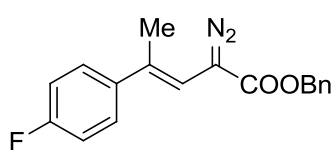
Red oil, TLC R_f = 0.35 (PE/EA = 10:1 v/v), 85% yield. 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.35–7.10 (m, 10H, Ar-H), 5.90 (q, J = 1.1 Hz, 1H, CH=), 5.18 (s, 2H, CH_2Ph), 1.99 (d, J = 1.1 Hz, 3H, CH_3). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 166.3 (1C, C=O), 142.4 (1C, C), 135.8 (1C, Ar-C), 134.7 (1C, Ar-C), 128.5 (2C, Ar-C), 128.3 (2C, Ar-C), 128.2 (4C, Ar-C), 127.32 (1C, Ar-C), 125.7 (1C, Ar-C), 108.9 (1C, CH), 66.8 (1C, CH_2Ph), 16.9 (1C, CH_3). IR (neat): 3059w, 3032w, 2955w, 2075s (C=N), 1701s, 1235s, 1108m, 756m, 736m, 696m cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) Calcd for $[C_{18}H_{16}O_2Na, M + Na - N_2]^+$: 287.1043, Found: 287.1036.

(E)-Benzyl 4-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-diazopent-3-enoate (1h)



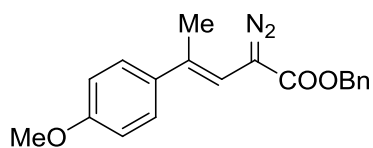
Red solid, TLC R_f = 0.30 (PE/EA = 10:1 v/v), 72% yield. Mp: 42–44 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.40–7.25 (m, 9H, Ar-H), 5.98 (q, J = 1.2 Hz, 1H, CH=), 5.27 (s, 2H, CH_2Ph), 2.05 (d, J = 0.8 Hz, 3H, CH_3). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.2 (1C, C=O), 140.9 (1C, C), 135.7 (1C, Ar-C), 133.2 (1C, Ar-C), 133.1 (2C, Ar-C), 128.6 (2C, Ar-C), 128.4 (1C, Ar-C), 128.3 (2C, Ar-C), 128.2 (2C, Ar-C), 127.0 (1C, Ar-C), 109.6 (1C, CH), 66.9 (1C, CH_2Ph), 16.9 (1C, CH_3). IR (neat): 3089w, 3065w, 2953w, 2932w, 2077s (C=N), 1700s, 1439m, 1403m, 1323m, 1295m, 1236s, 1096m, 1010m, 979m, 822m, 751m, 736m, 697m cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) Calcd for $[\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{15}\text{ClO}_2\text{Na}, \text{M} + \text{Na} - \text{N}_2]^+$: 321.0653, Found: 321.0655.

(E)-Benzyl 2-diazo-4-(4-fluorophenyl)pent-3-enoate (1i)



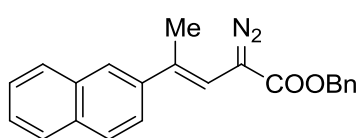
Red solid, TLC R_f = 0.28 (PE/EA = 10:1 v/v), 80% yield. Mp: 36–39 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.30–7.22 (m, 7H, Ar-H), 6.92 (t, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 5.84 (q, J = 0.4 Hz, 1H, CH=), 5.18 (s, 2H, CH_2Ph), 1.96 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 3H, CH_3). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.3 (1C, C=O), 162.0 (d, J = 245.3 Hz, 1C, Ar-C), 138.5 (d, J = 3.1 Hz, 1C, Ar-C), 135.7 (1C, Ar-C), 133.7 (1C, Ar-C), 128.5 (2C, Ar-C), 128.3 (1C, Ar-C), 128.2 (2C, Ar-C), 127.4 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2C, Ar-C), 115.2 (d, J = 21.2 Hz, 2C, Ar-C), 108.9 (1C, CH), 66.8 (1C, CH_2Ph), 17.1 (1C, CH_3). IR (neat): 3065w, 3035w, 2932w, 2855w, 2077s (C=N), 1700s, 1509s, 1235s, 1108m, 827m, 736m, 697m cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) Calcd for $[\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{15}\text{FO}_2\text{Na}, \text{M} + \text{Na} - \text{N}_2]^+$: 305.0948, Found: 305.0952.

(E)-Benzyl 2-diazo-4-(4-methoxyphenyl)pent-3-enoate (1j)



Red solid, TLC R_f = 0.25 (PE/EA = 10:1 v/v), 70% yield. Mp: 82–84 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.38–7.33 (m, 7H, Ar-H), 6.88–6.85 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 5.90 (q, J = 1.2 Hz, 1H, CH), 5.27 (s, 2H, CH_2Ph), 3.81 (s, 3H, OCH_3), 2.05 (d, J = 0.8 Hz, 3H, CH_3). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 159.1 (1C, C=O), 135.8 (1C, C), 134.9 (1C, Ar-C), 134.6 (1C, Ar-C), 128.6 (2C, Ar-C), 128.3 (2C, Ar-C), 128.2 (2C, Ar-C), 127.0 (2C, Ar-C), 113.7 (2C, Ar-C), 107.1 (1C, CH), 66.7 (1C, CH_2Ph), 55.3 (1C, OCH_3), 17.1 (1C, CH_3). IR (neat): 3031w, 2982w, 2955w, 2896w, 2839w, 2080s (C=N), 1687s, 1255s, 1103m, 820m, 756m, 735m, 697m cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) Calcd for $[\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}_3\text{Na}, \text{M} + \text{Na} - \text{N}_2]^+$: 317.1148, Found: 317.1145.

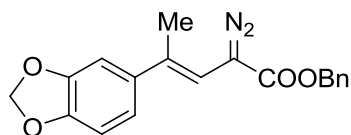
(E)-Benzyl 2-diazo-4-(naphthalen-2-yl)pent-3-enoate (1k)



Red solid, TLC R_f = 0.31 (PE/EA = 10:1 v/v), 65% yield. Mp: 88–90 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.82–7.59 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 7.46–7.26 (m, 9H, Ar-H), 6.16 (q, J = 1.1 Hz, 1H, CH), 5.30 (s, 2H, CH_2Ph), 2.20 (d, J = 1.1 Hz, 3H, CH_3). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.3 (1C, C=O), 139.6 (1C, C), 135.8 (1C, Ar-H), 134.3 (1C, Ar-C), 133.3 (1C, Ar-C), 132.6 (1C, Ar-C), 128.6 (2C, C), 128.3 (1C, Ar-C), 128.2 (2C, Ar-C), 128.1 (1C, Ar-C), 127.9 (1C, Ar-C), 127.5 (1C, Ar-C), 126.2 (1C, Ar-C), 125.9 (1C, Ar-C), 124.4 (1C, Ar-C), 124.0 (1C, Ar-C), 109.4 (1C, CH), 66.8 (1C,

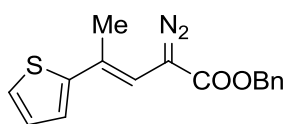
CH₂Ph), 17.0 (1C, CH₃). IR (neat): 3052w, 3035w, 2897w, 2084s (C=N), 1696s, 1382m, 1318m, 1249m, 1216m, 1117m, 820m, 740m, 698m, 494m, 476m cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) Calcd for [C₂₂H₁₈O₂Na, M + Na - N₂]⁺: 337.1199, Found: 337.1198.

(E)-Benzyl 4-(benzo[d][1,3]dioxol-5-yl)-2-diazopent-3-enoate (1l)



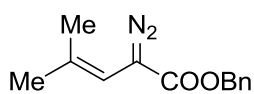
Red oil, TLC R_f = 0.27 (PE/EA = 10:1 v/v), 74% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.39–7.34 (m, 5H, Ar-H), 6.91 (d, J = 1.7 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 6.88 (dd, J_1 = 8.0 Hz, J_2 = 1.8 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 6.77 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 5.95 (s, 2H, CH₂), 5.88 (d, J = 0.8 Hz, 1H, CH), 5.27 (s, 2H, CH₂Ph), 2.03 (d, J = 0.8 Hz, 3H, CH₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.4 (1C, C=O), 147.7 (1C, C), 147.0 (1C, Ar-C), 136.4 (1C, Ar-C), 135.8 (1C, Ar-C), 134.6 (1C, Ar-C), 128.6 (2C, Ar-C), 128.3 (1C, Ar-C), 128.2 (1C, Ar-C), 119.4 (2C, Ar-C), 108.0 (1C, Ar-C), 107.8 (1C, Ar-C), 106.4 (1C, CH), 101.1 (1C, CH₂), 66.8 (1C, CH₂Ph), 17.3 (1C, CH₃). IR (neat): 3065w, 3033w, 2955w, 2894w, 2077s (C=N), 1670s, 1503m, 1488m, 1219s, 1101m, 1038m, 804m, 736m, 697m cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) Calcd for [C₁₉H₁₆O₄Na, M + Na - N₂]⁺: 331.0941, Found: 331.0947.

(E)-Benzyl 2-diazo-4-(thiophen-2-yl)pent-3-enoate (1m)



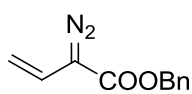
Red oil, TLC R_f = 0.29 (PE/EA = 10:1 v/v), 71% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.38–7.34 (m, 5H, Ar-H), 7.18 (dd, J_1 = 5.1 Hz, J_2 = 0.9 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.04 (dd, J_1 = 3.6 Hz, J_2 = 1.0 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 6.98 (dd, J_1 = 5.1 Hz, J_2 = 3.7 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 6.10 (q, J = 1.0 Hz, 1H, CH), 5.28 (s, 2H, CH₂Ph), 2.09 (d, J = 1.0 Hz, 3H, CH₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.1 (1C, C=O), 146.4 (1C, C), 135.7 (1C, Ar-C), 128.6 (1C, Ar-C), 128.3 (2C, Ar-C), 128.2 (1C, Ar-C), 128.1 (1C, Ar-C), 127.5 (2C, Ar-C), 124.5 (1C, Ar-C), 122.9 (1C, Ar-C), 107.9 (1C, CH), 66.9 (1C, CH₂Ph), 17.1 (1C, CH₃). IR (neat): 3107w, 3089w, 3067w, 3033w, 2955w, 2075s (C=N), 1700s, 1497s, 1315m, 1284m, 1209m, 849m, 735m cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) Calcd for [C₁₆H₁₄SO₂Na, M + Na - N₂]⁺: 293.0607, Found: 293.0605.

Benzyl 2-diazo-4-methylpent-3-enoate (1n)



Red oil, TLC R_f = 0.30 (PE/EA = 10:1 v/v), 59% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.37–7.33 (m, 5H, Ar-H), 5.43 (s, 1H, CH), 5.24 (s, 2H, CH₂), 1.86 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.68 (s, 3H, CH₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.8 (1C, C=O), 156.1 (1C, C), 136.1 (1C, Ar-C), 128.5 (2C, Ar-C), 128.2 (1C, Ar-C), 128.1 (1C, Ar-C), 118.3 (1C, Ar-C), 106.3 (1C, CH), 66.0 (1C, CH₂Ph), 31.0 (1C, CH₃), 21.2 (1C, CH₃). IR (neat): 3033w, 2075s (C=N), 1700s, 1279s, 1191m, 1048m, 735w, 697w cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) Calcd for [C₁₃H₁₄N₂O₂Na, M + Na]⁺: 253.0947, Found: 253.0950.

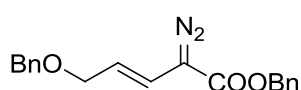
Benzyl 2-diazobut-3-enoate (1o)



Red oil, TLC R_f = 0.30 (PE/EA = 10:1 v/v), 55% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.39–7.34 (m, 5H, Ar-H), 6.18 (dd, J_1 = 17.4 Hz, J_2 = 11.0 Hz, 1H, CH), 5.24 (s, 2H, CH₂Ph), 5.11 (d, J = 11.0 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 4.86 (d, J = 17.4 Hz, 1H, CH₂). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 164.6 (1C, C=O), 135.7

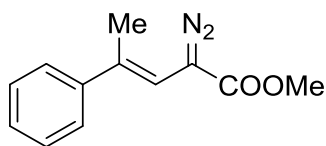
(1C, Ar-C), 128.6 (2C, Ar-C), 128.3 (1C, Ar-C), 128.1 (2C, Ar-C), 120.3 (1C, CH₂), 107.5 (1C, CH), 66.6 (1C, CH₂Ph). IR (neat): 3033w, 2085s (C=N), 1704s, 1615m, 1379m, 1305s, 1266s, 1133s, 1100m, 743m, 697m cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) Calcd for [C₁₁H₁₀N₂O₂Na, M + Na]⁺: 225.0634, Found: 225.0638.

(E)-Benzyl 5-(benzyloxy)-2-diazopent-3-enoate (1q)



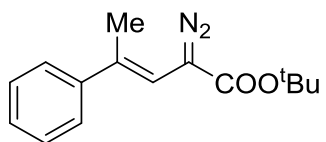
Red oil, TLC R_f = 0.30 (PE/EA = 20:1 v/v), 45% yield. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.74–7.25 (m, 10H, Ar-H), 6.11 (d, J = 15.9 Hz, 1H, CH=CH), 5.48 (dt, J_1 = 15.9 Hz, J_2 = 1.8 Hz, 1H, CH=CH), 5.25 (s, 2H, CH₂), 4.52 (s, 2H, CH₂), 4.11 (dd, J_1 = 6.3 Hz, J_2 = 1.1 Hz, 2H, CH₂). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 164.7 (1C, C=O), 138.0 (1C, Ar-C), 135.6 (1C, Ar-C), 128.5 (1C, CH), 128.3 (2C, Ar-C), 128.1 (2C, Ar-C), 127.7 (2C, Ar-C), 120.1 (2C, Ar-C), 116.4 (2C, CH), 72.0 (1C, CH₂), 70.1 (1C, CH₂), 66.7 (1C, CH₂). HRMS (ESI) Calcd for [C₁₉H₁₉N₂O₃, M + H]⁺: 323.1390, Found: 323.1385.

(E)-Methyl 2-diazo-4-phenylpent-3-enoate (1r)



Red oil, TLC R_f = 0.31 (PE/EA = 20:1 v/v), 89% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.41 (dd, J_1 = 5.5 Hz, J_2 = 3.6 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.35–7.29 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 7.25 (ddd, J_1 = 7.2 Hz, J_2 = 3.7 Hz, J_3 = 1.3 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 5.98 (d, J = 1.1 Hz, 1H, CH=), 3.82 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 2.08 (d, J = 1.1 Hz, 3H, CH₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.86 (1C, C=O), 142.39 (1C, C), 134.54 (1C, Ar-C), 128.26 (2C, Ar-C), 127.25 (1C, Ar-C), 125.68 (2C, Ar-C), 108.92 (1C, CH), 52.22 (1C, OCH₃), 16.86 (1C, CH₃). IR (neat): 3080w, 3057w, 2998w, 2078s (C=N), 1706s, 1242s, 1115s, 758s, 739s, 698s cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) Calcd for [C₁₂H₁₂O₂Na, M + Na – N₂]⁺: 211.0730, Found: 211.0702.

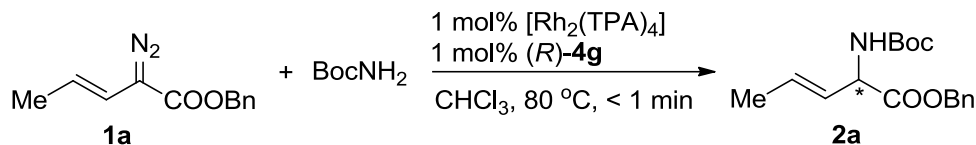
(E)-tert-Butyl 2-diazo-4-phenylpent-3-enoate (1s)



Red oil, TLC R_f = 0.49 (PE/EA = 20:1 v/v), 80% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.44–7.38 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 7.32 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.27–7.24 (m, 1H, Ar-H), 5.96 (d, J = 1.0 Hz, 1H, CH=), 2.08 (d, J = 1.1 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 1.52 (s, 9H, C(CH₃)₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.78 (1C, C=O), 142.71 (1C, C), 133.64 (1C, Ar-C), 128.29 (2C, Ar-C), 127.12 (1C, Ar-C), 125.72 (2C, Ar-C), 109.62 (1C, Ar-C), 81.99 (1C, O-C), 28.30 (3C, (CH₃)₃), 16.88 (1C, CH₃). IR (neat): 3057w, 3027w, 2979w, 2073s (C=N), 1699s, 1247s, 1164s, 1114s, 791s, 739s, 696s cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) Calcd for [C₁₅H₁₈O₂Na, M + Na – N₂]⁺: 253.1199, Found: 253.1165.

4. Procedures of N–H Insertions

4.1 The typical procedure



The $\text{Rh}_2(\text{TPA})_4$ (2.7 mg, 0.002 mmol, 1 mol%) and $(R)\text{-4g}$ (1.1 mg, 0.002 mmol, 1 mol%) were introduced into an oven-dried Schlenk tube in an argon-filled glovebox. After 2 mL CHCl_3 was injected into the Schlenk tube, the mixture was stirred at 80 °C. The mixed solution of (*E*)-benzyl 2-diazopent-3-enoate **1a** (43.2 mg, 0.2 mmol) and *tert*-butyl carbamate (23.4 mg, 0.2 mmol) in 1 mL CHCl_3 was added by a syringe in one portion. The reaction finished in 1 min after the addition (TLC monitoring). Then the reaction mixture was concentrated and purified by a flash chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 10:1 v/v) to give (*E*)-benzyl 2-(*tert*-butoxycarbonylamino)pent-3-enoate **2a** as a colorless oil. The analysis data for N–H insertion products was listed below.

Table S1: Solvent evaluation ^[a]

Reaction scheme for Table S1:

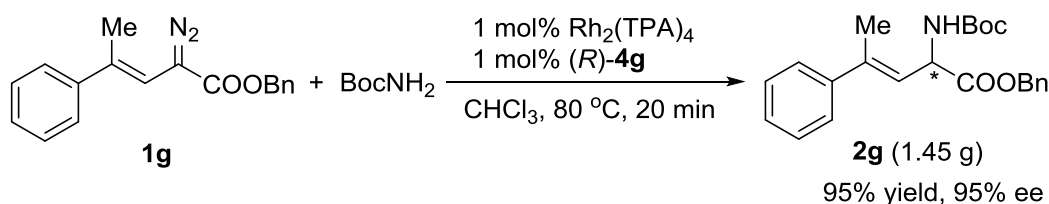
$$\text{Me}-\text{CH}=\text{CH}-\text{C}(\text{N}_2)=\text{COOBn} + \text{BocNH}_2 \xrightarrow[\text{solvent, 25 }^\circ\text{C, time}]{1\text{ mol\% } [\text{Rh}_2(\text{TPA})_4], 1\text{ mol\% } (R)\text{-4g}} \text{Me}-\text{CH}=\text{CH}-\text{C}(\text{NH}^*\text{Boc})=\text{COOBn}$$

1a **2a**

Entry	Solvent	Time	Yield (%) ^[b]	ee (%) ^[c]
1	CHCl_3	< 1 min	74	96
2	DCM	< 1 min	70	92
3	DCE	< 1 min	45	89
4	c-hexane	2 h	39	67
5	THF	0.5 h	56	3
6	toluene	2 h	53	6

[a] Reaction conditions: $[\text{Rh}_2(\text{TPA})_4]/(R)\text{-4g}/\mathbf{1a}/\text{BocNH}_2 = 0.002:0.002:0.2:0.2$ (mmol) in 3 mL solvent at 25 °C. [b] Isolated yield. [c] Determined by HPLC using Chiralcel OD-H column.

4.2 The gram-scale experiment

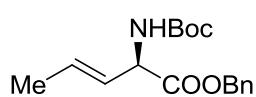


The $\text{Rh}_2(\text{TPA})_4$ (36.6 mg, 0.027 mmol, 1 mol%), $(R)\text{-4g}$ (14.8 mg, 0.027 mmol, 1 mol%), and *tert*-butyl carbamate (320 mg, 2.7 mmol) were introduced into an oven-dried three-necked round bottom flask in an argon-filled glovebox. After 13 mL CHCl_3 was

injected into the flask, the mixture was stirred at 80 °C. The solution of (*E*)-benzyl 2-diazo-4-phenylpent-3-enoate **1g** (1.2 g, 4.1 mmol) in 27 mL CHCl₃ was added to the flask through constant pressure funnel within 2 h. The reaction finished immediately after the addition (TLC monitoring). Then the reaction mixture was concentrated and purified by a flash chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 10:1 v/v) to give (*E*)-benzyl 2-(*tert*-butoxycarbonylamino)-4-phenylpent-3-enoate **2g** (1.45 g, 95% yield, 95% ee) as a colorless oil, which slowly solidified with standing.

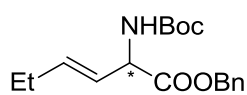
5. Analytical Data of N–H Insertion Products

(*E*)-Benzyl 2-(*tert*-butoxycarbonylamino)pent-3-enoate (**2a**)



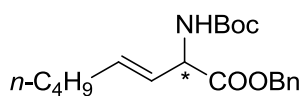
Colorless oil, TLC R_f = 0.3 (PE/EA = 10:1 v/v). 93% yield, 96% ee. [HPLC condition: Chiralcel OD-H column, *n*-hexane/2-propanol = 95:5, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, wavelength = 220 nm, t_R = 9.74 min for major isomer, t_R = 12.53 min for minor isomer], $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ = –16.6 (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.38–7.31 (m, 5H, Ar-H), 5.80–5.73 (m, 1H, CH=CH), 5.48 (dd, J_1 = 15.2 Hz, J_2 = 5.2 Hz, 1H, CH=CH), 5.22–5.15 (m, 3H, CH and CH₂Ph), 4.82 (brs, 1H, NH), 1.69 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 1.43 (s, 9H, C(CH₃)₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.2 (1C, C=O), 154.9 (1C, C=O), 135.3 (1C, Ar-C), 129.6 (1C, CH), 128.5 (1C, Ar-C), 128.2 (1C, Ar-C), 128.0 (1C, Ar-C), 125.3 (1C, CH), 79.9 (1C, C-O), 67.0 (1C, CH₂Ph), 55.4 (1C, CH), 28.2 (3C, C(CH₃)₃), 17.6 (1C, CH₃). HRMS (ESI) Calcd for [C₁₇H₂₃NO₄Na, M + Na]⁺: 328.1519, Found: 328.1521.

(*E*)-Benzyl 2-(*tert*-butoxycarbonylamino)hex-3-enoate (**2b**)



Colorless oil, TLC R_f = 0.25 (PE/EA = 10:1 v/v). 92% yield, 97% ee. [HPLC condition: Chiralcel OD-H column, *n*-hexane/2-propanol = 99:1, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, wavelength = 210 nm, t_R = 8.92 min for major isomer, t_R = 11.05 min for minor isomer], $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ = –22.0 (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.36–7.26 (m, 5H, Ar-H), 5.83–5.76 (m, 1H, CH=CH), 5.45 (dd, J_1 = 15.6 Hz, J_2 = 5.6 Hz, 1H, CH=CH), 5.24–5.13 (m, 3H, CH and CH₂Ph), 4.83 (brs, 1H, NH), 2.08–2.01 (m, 2H, CH₂), 1.44 (s, 9H, C(CH₃)₃), 0.96 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H, CH₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.3 (1C, C=O), 154.9 (1C, C=O), 136.3 (1C, Ar-C), 135.4 (1C, CH), 128.5 (2C, Ar-C), 128.3 (1C, Ar-C), 128.1 (2C, Ar-C), 123.1 (1C, CH), 79.9 (1C, C-O), 67.0 (1C, CH₂Ph), 55.3 (1C, CH), 28.3 (3C, C(CH₃)₃), 25.2 (1C, CH₂), 13.0 (C, CH₃). HRMS (ESI) Calcd for [C₁₈H₂₅NO₄Na, M + Na]⁺: 342.1676, Found: 342.1678.

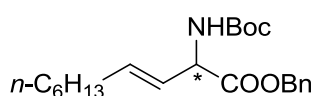
(*E*)-Benzyl 2-(*tert*-butoxycarbonylamino)oct-3-enoate (**2c**)



Colorless oil, TLC R_f = 0.3 (PE/EA = 10:1 v/v). 90% yield, 92% ee. [HPLC condition: Chiralcel OD-H column, *n*-hexane/2-propanol = 99:1, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, wavelength = 210 nm, t_R = 7.57 min for major isomer, t_R = 9.68 min for minor isomer], $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ = –22.8 (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.35–7.32 (m, 5H, Ar-H), 5.78–5.70 (m, 1H, CH=CH), 5.45 (dd, J_1 = 12.0 Hz, J_2 = 8.0 Hz, 1H, CH=CH), 5.24–5.13 (m, 3H, CH and

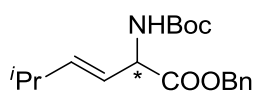
CH₂Ph), 4.84 (brs, 1H, NH), 2.04–2.03 (m, 2H, CH₂), 1.44 (s, 9H, C(CH₃)₃), 1.29–1.26 (m, 4H, (CH₂)₂), 0.87 (t, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 3H, CH₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.2 (1C, C=O), 154.9 (1C, C=O), 135.4 (1C, Ar-C), 135.0 (1C, CH), 128.5 (1C, CH), 128.3 (2C, Ar-C), 128.1 (2C, Ar-C), 124.0 (1C, Ar-C), 79.9 (1C, C-O), 67.0 (1C, CH₂Ph), 55.4 (1C, CH), 31.8 (1C, CH₂), 30.9 (1C, CH₂), 28.2 (3C, C(CH₃)₃), 22.0 (1C, CH₂), 13.8 (C, CH₃). HRMS (ESI) Calcd for [C₂₀H₂₉NO₄Na, M + Na]⁺: 370.1989, Found: 370.1995.

(*E*)-Benzyl 2-(*tert*-butoxycarbonylamino)dec-3-enoate (2d)



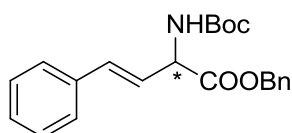
Colorless oil, TLC *R_f* = 0.3 (PE/EA = 10:1 v/v). 93% yield, 94% ee. [HPLC condition: Chiralcel OD-H column, *n*-hexane/2-propanol = 99:1, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, wavelength = 210 nm, *t_R* = 7.76 min for major isomer, *t_R* = 9.57 min for minor isomer], [α]_D²⁵ = –22.4 (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.40–7.28 (m, 5H, Ar-H), 5.80–5.73 (m, 1H, CH=CH), 5.48 (dd, *J*₁ = 15.2 Hz, *J*₂ = 5.8 Hz, 1H, CH=CH), 5.23–5.13 (m, 3H, CH and CH₂Ph), 4.85 (brs, 1H, NH), 2.03 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 1.46 (s, 9H, C(CH₃)₃), 1.36–1.24 (m, 8H, (CH₂)₄), 0.88 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H, CH₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.2 (1C, C=O), 154.9 (1C, C=O), 135.4 (1C, Ar-C), 135.0 (1C, CH), 128.5 (2C, Ar-C), 128.2 (1C, Ar-C), 128.0 (2C, Ar-C), 123.9 (1C, CH), 79.8 (1C, C-O), 67.0 (1C, CH₂Ph), 55.4 (1C, CH), 32.1 (1C, CH₂), 31.6 (1C, CH₂), 28.7 (2C, CH₂), 28.23 (3C, C(CH₃)₃), 22.5 (1C, CH₂), 14.1 (1C, CH₃). HRMS (ESI) Calcd for [C₂₂H₃₃NO₄Na, M + Na]⁺: 398.2302, Found: 398.2302.

(*E*)-Benzyl 2-(*tert*-butoxycarbonylamino)-5-methylhex-3-enoate (2e)



Colorless oil, TLC *R_f* = 0.35 (PE/EA = 10:1 v/v). 83% yield, 93% ee. [HPLC condition: Chiralcel AD-H column, *n*-hexane/2-propanol = 95:5, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, wavelength = 210 nm, *t_R* = 10.85 min for major isomer, *t_R* = 11.82 min for minor isomer], [α]_D²⁵ = –12.4 (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.38–7.26 (m, 5H, Ar-H), 5.74–5.67 (m, 1H, CH=CH), 5.42 (dd, *J*₁ = 15.2 Hz, *J*₂ = 5.8 Hz, 1H, CH=CH), 5.24–5.11 (m, 3H, CH and CH₂Ph), 4.82 (brs, 1H, NH), 2.30–2.25 (m, 1H, CH), 1.44 (s, 9H, C(CH₃)₃), 0.95 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 6H, (CH₃)₂). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.4 (1C, C=O), 155.0 (1C, C=O), 141.5 (1C, Ar-C), 135.5 (1C, CH), 128.5 (2C, Ar-C), 128.3 (1C, Ar-C), 128.1 (2C, Ar-C), 121.3 (1C, CH), 79.9 (1C, C-O), 67.0 (1C, CH₂Ph), 55.3 (1C, CH), 30.8 (1C, CH(CH₃)₂), 28.3 (3C, C(CH₃)₃), 21.9 (1C, CH(CH₃)₂). HRMS (ESI) Calcd for [C₁₉H₂₇NO₄Na, M + Na]⁺: 356.1832, Found: 356.1836.

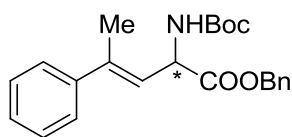
(*E*)-Benzyl 2-(*tert*-butoxycarbonylamino)-4-phenylbut-3-enoate (2f)



Colorless oil, TLC *R_f* = 0.3 (PE/EA = 8:1 v/v). 98% yield, 83% ee. [HPLC condition: Chiralcel OD-H column, *n*-hexane/2-propanol = 90:10, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, wavelength = 254 nm, *t_R* = 8.33 min for major isomer, *t_R* = 11.13 min for minor isomer], [α]_D²⁵ = –22.0 (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.36–7.26 (m, 10H, Ar-H), 6.63 (d, *J* = 16.1 Hz, 1H, CH=CH), 6.19 (dd, *J*₁ = 15.9 Hz, *J*₂ = 6.1 Hz, 1H, CH=CH), 5.29 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H, CH), 5.22 (s, 2H, CH₂Ph), 5.01 (brs, 1H, NH), 1.46 (s, 9H, C(CH₃)₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.8 (1C, C=O), 154.9 (1C, C=O), 135.9 (1C,

Ar-C), 135.2 (1C, Ar-C), 132.9 (1C, CH), 128.6 (2C, Ar-C), 128.5 (2C, Ar-C), 128.2 (2C, Ar-C), 128.1 (2C, Ar-C), 126.6 (2C, Ar-C), 123.8 (1C, CH), 80.2 (1C, C-O), 67.4 (1C, CH₂Ph), 55.5 (1C, CH), 28.3 (3C, C(CH₃)₃). HRMS (ESI) Calcd for [C₂₂H₂₅NO₄Na, M + Na]⁺: 390.1676, Found: 390.1678.

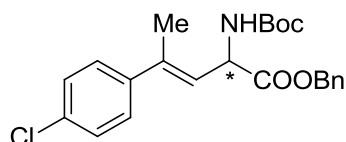
(E)-Benzyl 2-(tert-butoxycarbonylamino)-4-phenylpent-3-enoate (2g)



Colorless oil, TLC R_f = 0.29 (PE/EA = 8:1 v/v). 99% yield, 96% ee. [HPLC condition: Chiralcel OD-H column, *n*-hexane/2-propanol = 90:10, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, wavelength = 254 nm, t_R = 6.54 min for major isomer, t_R = 9.72 min for minor isomer],

$[\alpha]_D^{25}$ = -62.0 (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.32–7.26 (m, 10H, Ar-H), 5.53–5.52 (m, 1H, CH=), 5.26–5.13 (m, 4H, CH and NH and CH₂Ph), 2.20 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.45 (s, 9H, C(CH₃)₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.3 (1C, C=O), 154.9 (1C, C=O), 142.3 (1C, Ar-C), 141.6 (1C, C), 135.5 (1C, Ar-C), 128.5 (2C, Ar-C), 128.2 (3C, Ar-C), 128.2 (1C, Ar-C), 127.8 (1C, Ar-C), 127.6 (1C, Ar-C), 125.9 (2C, Ar-C), 121.9 (1C, CH), 80.0 (1C, C-O), 67.0 (1C, CH₂Ph), 52.9 (1C, CH), 28.2 (3C, C(CH₃)₃), 16.9 (1C, CH₃). HRMS (ESI) Calcd for [C₂₃H₂₇NO₄Na, M + Na]⁺: 404.1832, Found: 404.1836.

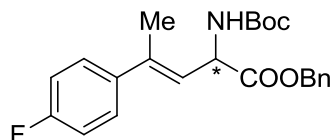
(E)-Benzyl 2-(tert-butoxycarbonylamino)-4-(4-chlorophenyl)pent-3-enoate (2h)



Colorless oil, TLC R_f = 0.25 (PE/EA = 8:1 v/v). 96% yield, 93% ee. [HPLC condition: Chiralcel OD-H column, *n*-hexane/2-propanol = 90:10, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, wavelength = 254 nm, t_R = 6.92 min for major isomer, t_R =

9.82 min for minor isomer], $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ = -56.2 (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.23–7.14 (m, 9H, Ar-H), 5.44 (dd, J_1 = 8.8 Hz, J_2 = 1.2 Hz, 1H, CH), 5.18–5.05 (m, 4H, CH and NH and CH₂Ph), 2.09 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.36 (s, 9H, C(CH₃)₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.2 (1C, C=O), 154.9 (1C, C=O), 140.7 (1C, Ar-C), 140.4 (1C, Ar-C), 135.4 (1C, Ar-C), 133.4 (1C, C), 128.5 (3C, Ar-C), 128.4 (2C, Ar-C), 128.3 (2C, Ar-C), 127.9 (2C, Ar-C), 122.5 (1C, CH), 80.1 (1C, C-O), 67.1 (1C, CH₂Ph), 52.9 (1C, CH), 28.3 (3C, C(CH₃)₃), 16.9 (1C, CH₃). HRMS (ESI) Calcd for [C₂₃H₂₆ClNO₄Na, M + Na]⁺: 438.1443, Found: 438.1442.

(E)-Benzyl 2-(tert-butoxycarbonylamino)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)pent-3-enoate (2i)

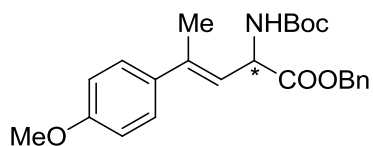


Colorless oil, TLC R_f = 0.27 (PE/EA = 10:1 v/v). 99% yield, 97% ee. [HPLC condition: Chiralcel OD-H column, *n*-hexane/2-propanol = 90:10, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, wavelength = 254 nm, t_R = 6.21 min for major isomer, t_R =

8.33 min for minor isomer], $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ = -62.4 (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.36–7.29 (m, 7H, Ar-H), 7.03 (t, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 5.55 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H, CH), 5.40–5.13 (m, 4H, CH and NH and CH₂Ph), 2.22 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.49 (s, 9H, C(CH₃)₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.2 (1C, C=O), 163.5 (1C, C=O), 161.1 (1C, Ar-C), 154.9 (1C, Ar-C), 140.5 (1C, Ar-C), 138.3 (1C, C), 135.4 (1C, Ar-C), 128.5 (2C, Ar-C), 128.2 (1C, Ar-C), 127.8 (2C, Ar-C), 127.5 (1C, Ar-C), 127.4 (1C, Ar-C), 121.9 (1C, Ar-C), 115.1 (1C, Ar-C), 114.9 (1C, C), 80.0 (1C, C-O), 67.0 (1C, CH₂Ph), 52.9 (1C, CH), 28.2 (3C, C(CH₃)₃), 17.0 (1C, CH₃). HRMS (ESI) Calcd for [C₂₃H₂₆FNO₄Na, M + Na]⁺:

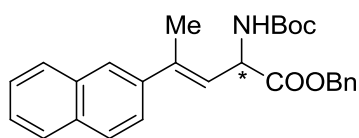
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(E)-Benzyl 2-(tert-butoxycarbonylamino)-4-(4-methoxyphenyl)pent-3-enoate(2j)



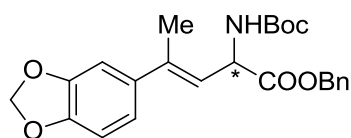
Colorless oil, TLC R_f = 0.26 (PE/EA = 8:1 v/v). 97% yield, 94% ee. [HPLC condition: Chiralcel OD-H column, *n*-hexane/2-propanol = 90:10, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, wavelength = 254 nm, t_R = 8.96 min for major isomer, t_R = 12.15 min for minor isomer], $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ = -64.0 (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.35–7.29 (m, 7H, Ar-H), 6.87 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 5.52 (dd, *J*₁ = 8.8 Hz, *J*₂ = 1.1 Hz, 1H, CH), 5.29–5.15 (m, 4H, CH and NH and CH₂Ph), 3.83 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 2.20 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.48 (s, 9H, C(CH₃)₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.5 (1C, C=O), 159.2 (1C, C=O), 155.0 (1C, Ar-C), 141.0 (1C, Ar-C), 135.5 (1C, Ar-C), 134.6 (1C, C), 128.5 (2C, Ar-C), 128.1 (2C, Ar-C), 127.8 (2C, Ar-C), 127.0 (2C, Ar-C), 120.2 (1C, Ar-C), 113.6 (1C, CH), 79.9 (1C, C-O), 66.9 (1C, CH₂Ph), 55.2 (1C, CH), 53.0 (1C, OCH₃), 28.3 (3C, C(CH₃)₃), 16.9 (1C, CH₃). HRMS (ESI) Calcd for [C₂₄H₂₉NO₅Na, M + Na]⁺: 434.1938, Found: 434.1936.

(E)-Benzyl 2-(tert-butoxycarbonylamino)-4-(naphthalen-2-yl)pent-3-enoate (2k)



Colorless oil, TLC R_f = 0.30 (PE/EA = 10:1 v/v). 99% yield, 90% ee. [HPLC condition: Chiralcel OD-H column, *n*-hexane/2-propanol = 90:10, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, wavelength = 210 nm, t_R = 9.35 min for major isomer, t_R = 10.68 min for minor isomer], $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ = -68.8 (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.75–7.60 (m, 4H, Ar-H), 7.40–7.30 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 7.25–7.10 (m, 5H, Ar-H), 5.60 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 1H, CH), 5.24–5.03 (m, 4H, CH and NH and CH₂Ph), 2.20 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.36 (s, 9H, C(CH₃)₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.3 (1C, C=O), 155.0 (1C, C=O), 135.5 (1C, C), 133.2 (2C, Ar-C), 132.8 (1C, Ar-C), 128.5 (2C, Ar-C), 128.2 (1C, Ar-C), 128.1 (1C, Ar-C), 127.9 (2C, Ar-C), 127.8 (1C, Ar-C), 127.5 (2C, Ar-C), 126.2 (1C, Ar-C), 126.0 (1C, Ar-C), 124.8 (1C, Ar-C), 124.1 (1C, Ar-C), 122.4 (1C, CH), 80.1 (1C, C-O), 67.0 (1C, CH₂Ph), 53.0 (1C, CH), 28.3 (3C, C(CH₃)₃), 16.9 (1C, CH₃). HRMS (ESI) Calcd for [C₂₇H₂₉NO₄Na, M + Na]⁺: 454.1989, Found: 454.1980.

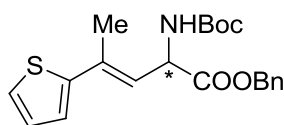
(E)-Benzyl-4-(benzo[d][1,3]dioxol-5-yl)-2-(tert-butoxycarbonylamino)pent-3-enoate (2l)



Colorless oil, TLC R_f = 0.26 (PE/EA = 8:1 v/v). 98% yield, 92% ee. [HPLC condition: Chiralcel OD-H column, *n*-hexane/2-propanol = 90:10, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, wavelength = 220 nm, t_R = 9.05 min for major isomer, t_R = 11.40 min for minor isomer], $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ = -54.4 (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.36–7.29 (m, 5H, Ar-H), 6.85–6.83 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 6.78 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 5.98 (s, 2H, CH₂), 5.45 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H, CH), 5.30–5.16 (m, 4H, CH and NH and CH₂Ph), 2.18 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.48 (s, 9H, C(CH₃)₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.4 (1C, C=O), 155.0 (1C, C=O), 147.6 (1C, Ar-C), 147.2 (1C, Ar-C), 136.6 (1C, Ar-C), 135.5 (1C, Ar-C), 128.5 (2C, C), 128.2 (1C, Ar-C), 127.9 (2C, Ar-C), 121.0 (1C, Ar-C), 119.5 (1C, Ar-C), 108.0 (1C, Ar-C), 106.5 (1C, CH), 101.1 (1C, CH₂), 80.0 (1C, C-O), 67.0 (1C, CH₂Ph),

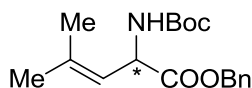
52.9 (1C, CH), 28.3 (3C, C(CH₃)₃), 17.1 (1C, CH₃). HRMS (ESI) Calcd for [C₂₄H₂₇NO₆Na, M + Na]⁺: 448.1731, Found: 448.1733.

(E)-Benzyl 2-(tert-butoxycarbonylamino)-4-(thiophen-2-yl)pent-3-enoate (2m)



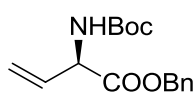
Colorless oil, TLC R_f = 0.28 (PE/EA = 10:1 v/v). 99% yield, 97% ee. [HPLC condition: Chiralcel OD-H column, *n*-hexane/2-propanol = 90:10, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, wavelength = 273 nm, t_R = 7.11 min for major isomer, t_R = 8.75 min for minor isomer], $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ = -60.4 (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.32–7.25 (m, 5H, Ar-H), 7.17 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.05 (dd, *J*₁ = 3.6 Hz, *J*₂ = 0.8 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 6.97 (dd, *J*₁ = 5.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 3.7 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 5.70 (dd, *J*₁ = 8.8 Hz, *J*₂ = 1.1 Hz, 1H, CH), 5.23–5.17 (m, 4H, CH and NH and CH₂Ph), 2.21 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.44 (s, 9H, C(CH₃)₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.2 (1C, C=O), 154.9 (1C, C=O), 145.8 (1C, Ar-C), 135.4 (1C, Ar-C), 135.0 (1C, C), 128.5 (1C, Ar-C), 128.2 (2C, Ar-C), 127.8 (1C, Ar-C), 127.4 (2C, Ar-C), 124.5 (1C, Ar-C), 124.0 (1C, Ar-C), 120.1 (1C, CH), 80.1 (1C, C-O), 67.1 (1C, CH₂Ph), 52.6 (1C, CH), 28.3 (3C, C(CH₃)₃), 16.7 (1C, CH₃). HRMS (ESI) Calcd for [C₂₁H₂₅NSO₄Na, M + Na]⁺: 410.1397, Found: 410.1398.

Benzyl 2-(tert-butoxycarbonylamino)-4-methylpent-3-enoate (2n)



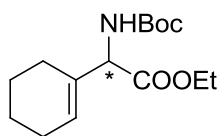
Colorless oil, TLC R_f = 0.3 (PE/EA = 10:1 v/v). 66% yield, 98% ee. [HPLC condition: Chiralcel OD-H column, *n*-hexane/2-propanol = 90:10, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, wavelength = 210 nm, t_R = 4.84 min for major isomer, t_R = 5.92 min for minor isomer], $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ = -126.9 (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.37–7.26 (m, 5H, Ar-H), 5.22–5.01 (m, 5H, CH and NH and CH₂Ph), 1.78 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.73 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.43 (s, 9H, C(CH₃)₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.9 (1C, C=O), 155.0 (1C, C=O), 139.7 (1C, Ar-C), 135.6 (1C, C), 128.5 (2C, Ar-C), 128.2 (1C, Ar-C), 127.8 (2C, Ar-C), 119.2 (1C, CH), 79.9 (1C, C-O), 66.8 (1C, CH₂Ph), 52.6 (1C, CH), 28.3 (3C, C(CH₃)₃), 25.7 (1C, CH₃), 18.7 (1C, CH₃). HRMS (ESI) Calcd for [C₁₈H₂₅NO₄Na, M + Na]⁺: 342.1676, Found: 342.1676.

Benzyl 2-(tert-butoxycarbonylamino)but-3-enoate (2o)



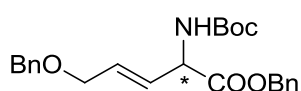
Colorless oil, TLC R_f = 0.35 (PE/EA = 10:1 v/v). 88% yield, 90% ee. [HPLC condition: Chiralpak AD-H column, *n*-hexane/2-propanol = 90:10, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, wavelength = 210 nm, t_R = 8.74 min for major isomer, t_R = 10.40 min for minor isomer], $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ = 8.0 (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.37–7.33 (m, 5H, Ar-H), 5.96–5.88 (m, 1H, CH), 5.37–5.15 (m, 5H, CH₂ and CH and CH₂Ph), 4.92 (brs, 1H, NH), 1.45 (s, 9H, C(CH₃)₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.6 (1C, C=O), 155.0 (1C, C=O), 135.2 (1C, Ar-C), 132.5 (1C, CH), 128.6 (2C, Ar-C), 128.4 (1C, Ar-C), 128.1 (2C, Ar-C), 117.4 (1C, CH₂), 80.1 (1C, C-O), 67.3 (1C, CH₂Ph), 55.8 (1C, CH), 28.3 (3C, C(CH₃)₃). HRMS (ESI) Calcd for [C₁₆H₂₁NO₄Na, M + Na]⁺: 314.1363, Found: 314.1365.

Ethyl 2-(tert-butoxycarbonylamino)-2-cyclohexenylacetate (2p)



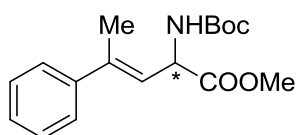
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(E)-Benzyl 5-(benzyloxy)-2-(tert-butoxycarbonylamino)pent-3-enoate (2q)



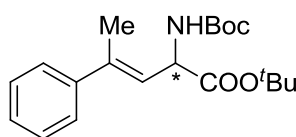
Colorless oil, TLC R_f = 0.35 (PE/EA = 10:1 v/v). 90% yield, 87% ee [using (S)-**4g**]. [HPLC condition: Chiralcel OD-H column, *n*-hexane/2-propanol = 90:10, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, wavelength = 210 nm, t_R = 19.19 min for major isomer, t_R = 25.53 min for minor isomer], $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ = -11.4 (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.24–7.21 (m, 10H, Ar-H), 5.77–5.74 (m, 2H, CH₂), 5.19–5.17 (m, 1H, CH), 5.09 (s, 2H, CH₂), 4.85 (brs, 1H, NH), 4.37 (s, 1H, CH), 3.95–3.80 (m, 2H, CH₂), 1.35 (s, 9H, C(CH₃)₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.6 (1C, C=O), 154.9 (1C, C=O), 137.9 (1C, Ar-C), 135.1 (1C, Ar-C), 129.9 (1C, CH), 128.5 (2C, Ar-C), 128.3 (2C, Ar-C), 128.1 (2C, Ar-C), 127.7 (2C, Ar-C), 127.6 (2C, Ar-C), 126.7 (1C, CH), 80.0 (1C, C-O), 72.0 (1C, CH₂), 69.3 (1C, CH₂), 67.2 (1C, CH₂), 54.9 (1C, CH), 28.2 (3C, C(CH₃)₃). IR (neat): 3088w, 2859w, 2085s (C=N), 1722s, 1496m, 1286s, 1165m, 973w, 737m, 697m cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) Calcd for [C₂₄H₃₃N₂O₅, M + NH₄]⁺: 429.2384, Found: 429.2388.

(E)-Methyl 2-(tert-butoxycarbonylamino)-4-phenylpent-3-enoate (2r)



Colorless oil, TLC R_f = 0.59 (PE/EA = 5:1 v/v). 99% yield, 93% ee. [HPLC condition: Chiralcel OD-H column, *n*-hexane/2-propanol = 90:10, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, wavelength = 254 nm, t_R = 5.37 min for major isomer, t_R = 6.09 min for minor isomer], $[\alpha]_D^{27}$ = -146.8 (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.41–7.24 (m, 5H, Ar-H), 5.57 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H, CH=), 5.28 (s, 1H, NH), 5.21–5.06 (m, 1H, CH), 3.74 (s, 3H, OMe), 2.23 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.45 (s, 9H, C(CH₃)₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 172.14 (1C, C=O), 154.93 (1C, C=O), 142.14 (1C, C), 141.42 (1C, Ar-C), 128.25 (2C, Ar-C), 127.66 (1C, Ar-C), 125.86 (2C, Ar-C), 121.82 (1C, CH), 79.99 (1C, C-O), 52.66 (1C, C-O), 52.50 (1C, C-N), 28.26 (3C, C(CH₃)₃), 16.70 (1C, CH₃). HRMS (ESI) Calcd for [C₁₇H₂₃NO₄Na, M + Na]⁺: 328.1519, Found: 328.1518.

(E)-tert-Butyl 2-(tert-butoxycarbonylamino)-4-phenylpent-3-enoate (2s)

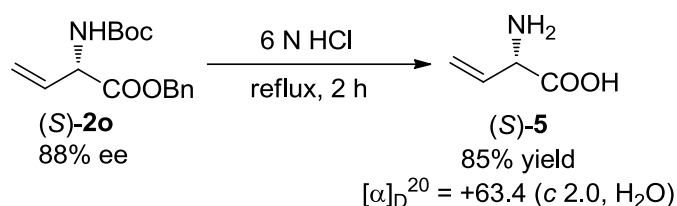


White solid, Mp: 100–102 °C. TLC R_f = 0.78 (PE/EA = 5:1 v/v). 99% yield, 97% ee. [HPLC condition: Chiralcel OD-H column, *n*-hexane/2-propanol = 90:10, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, wavelength = 254 nm, t_R = 3.79 min for major isomer, t_R = 4.23

min for minor isomer], $[\alpha]_D^{27} = -126.6$ (c 1.0, CHCl_3). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.31 (ddd, $J = 25.7, 12.6, 5.4$ Hz, 5H, Ar-H), 5.52 (dd, $J = 9.0, 1.1$ Hz, 1H, CH=), 5.27 (d, $J = 6.3$ Hz, 1H, NH), 5.05 (t, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 1H, CH), 2.23 (s, 3H, CH_3), 1.45 (d, $J = 1.2$ Hz, 18H, $2\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)_3$). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 170.58 (1C, C=O), 154.95 (1C, C=O), 142.62 (1C, Ar-C), 140.68 (1C, C), 128.25 (2C, Ar-C), 127.49 (1C, Ar-C), 125.90 (2C, Ar-C), 123.11 (1C, CH), 82.01 (1C, C-N), 79.71 (1C, C-O), 53.47 (1C, C-O), 28.30 (3C, $\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)_3$), 27.93 (3C, $\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)_3$), 16.88 (1C, CH_3). HRMS (ESI) Calcd for $[\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{29}\text{NO}_4\text{Na}, \text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$: 370.1989, Found: 370.1983.

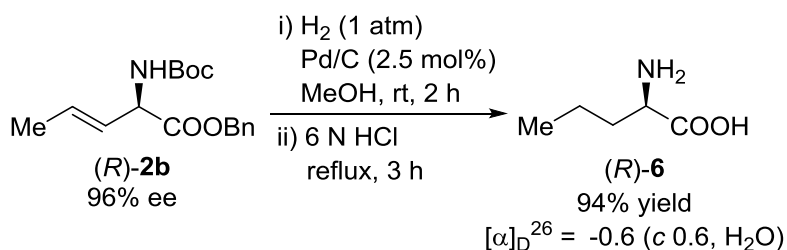
6. Transformations of N-H Insertion Products

6.1 Synthesis of (S)-vinylglycine (5)⁵



Compound (S)-2o (118 mg, 0.4 mmol) was dissolved in 8 mL 6 N HCl. The resulting solution was heated to reflux for 2 h and then evaporated under reduced pressure at 30 °C. The residue was dissolved in the minimum amount of water and applied to a column of Dowex 50W-X8 ion exchange resin. The column was washed with water and eluted with 4% aqueous pyridine. The eluate was evaporated under reduced pressure to give product (S)-5 with 85% yield as a white solid. Mp: 195–197 °C (dec.); $[\alpha]_D^{26} = +63.4$ (c 2.0, H_2O); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, D_2O) δ 5.99–5.95 (m, 1H, CH), 5.50–5.46 (m, 2H, CH_2), 4.27 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H, CH). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) 133.1 (1C, CH=), 119.5 (1C, CH_2 =), 58.5 (1C, CH).

6.2 Synthesis of (R)-2-aminopentanoic acid (6)⁶

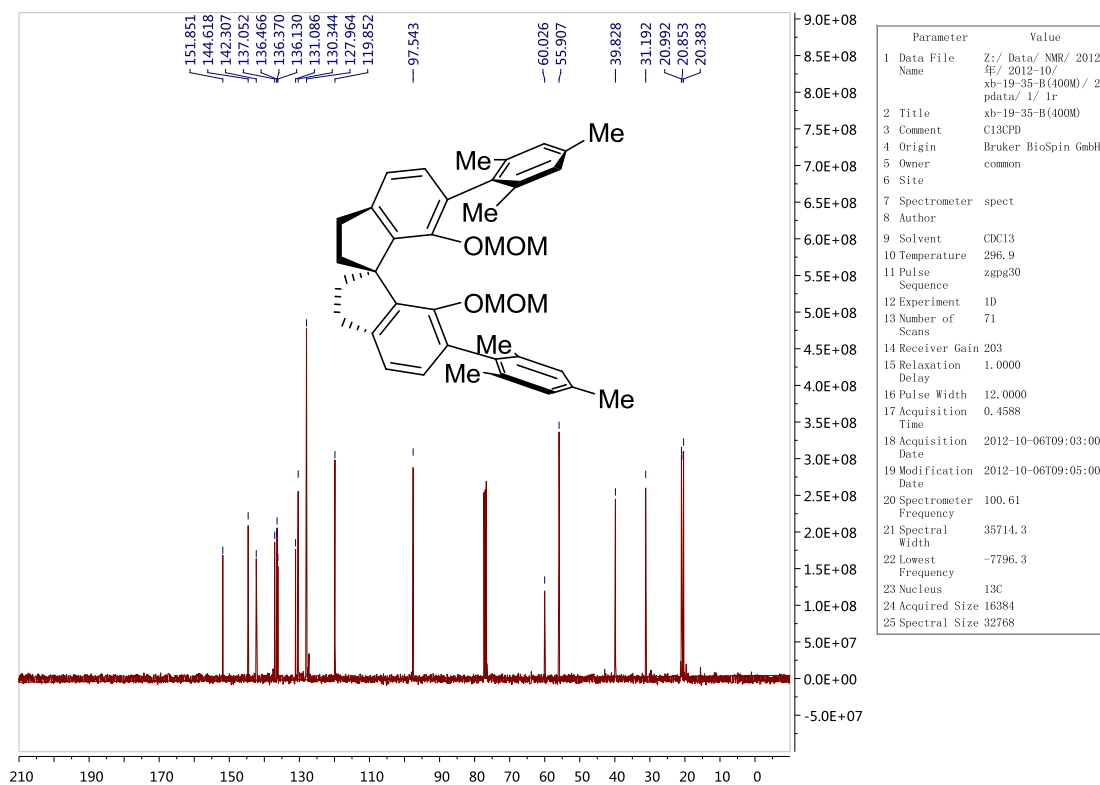
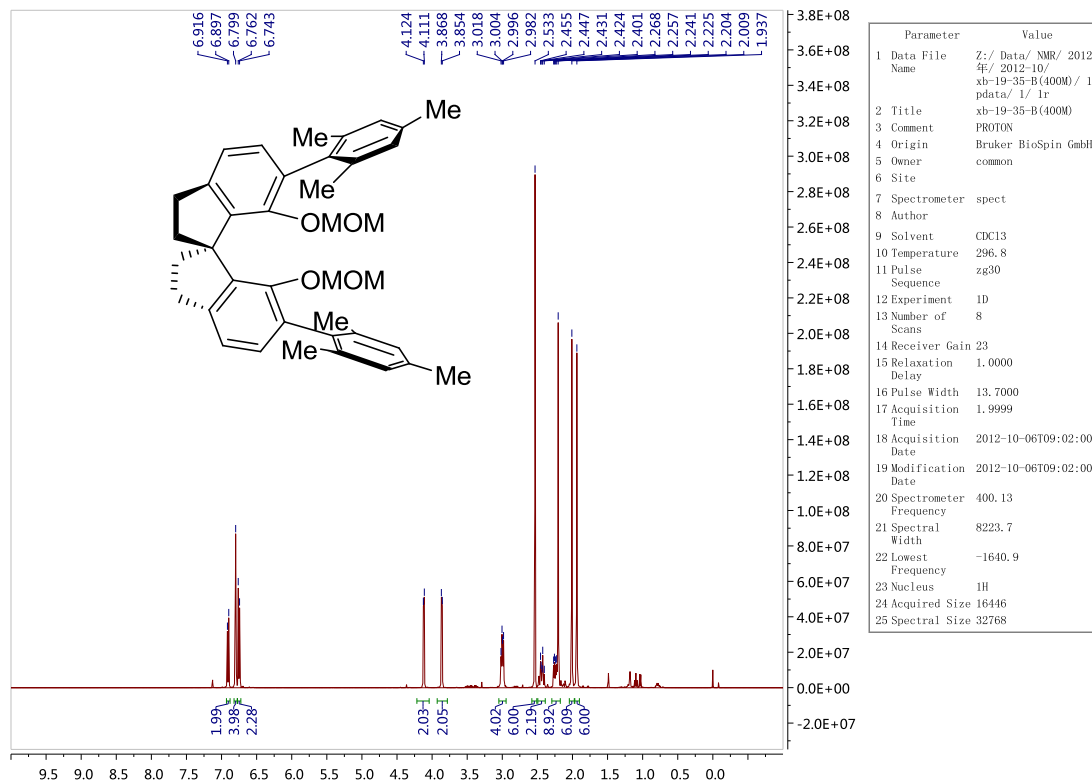


A suspension of (R)-2b (127 mg, 0.4 mmol) and Pd/C (11 mg, 2.5 mol%) in 4 mL MeOH was stirred under hydrogen atmosphere for 2 h. The mixture was concentrated under vacuum and then 8 mL of 6 N HCl was added. The resulting solution was heated to reflux for 3 h and then evaporated under reduced pressure at 30 °C. The residue was dissolved in the minimum amount of water and applied to a column of Dowex 50W-X8 ion exchange resin. The column was washed with water and eluted with 4% aqueous pyridine. The eluate was evaporated under reduced pressure to give product (R)-6 with 94% yield as a white solid. $[\alpha]_D^{26} = -0.6$ (c 0.6, H_2O); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, D_2O) δ 3.73

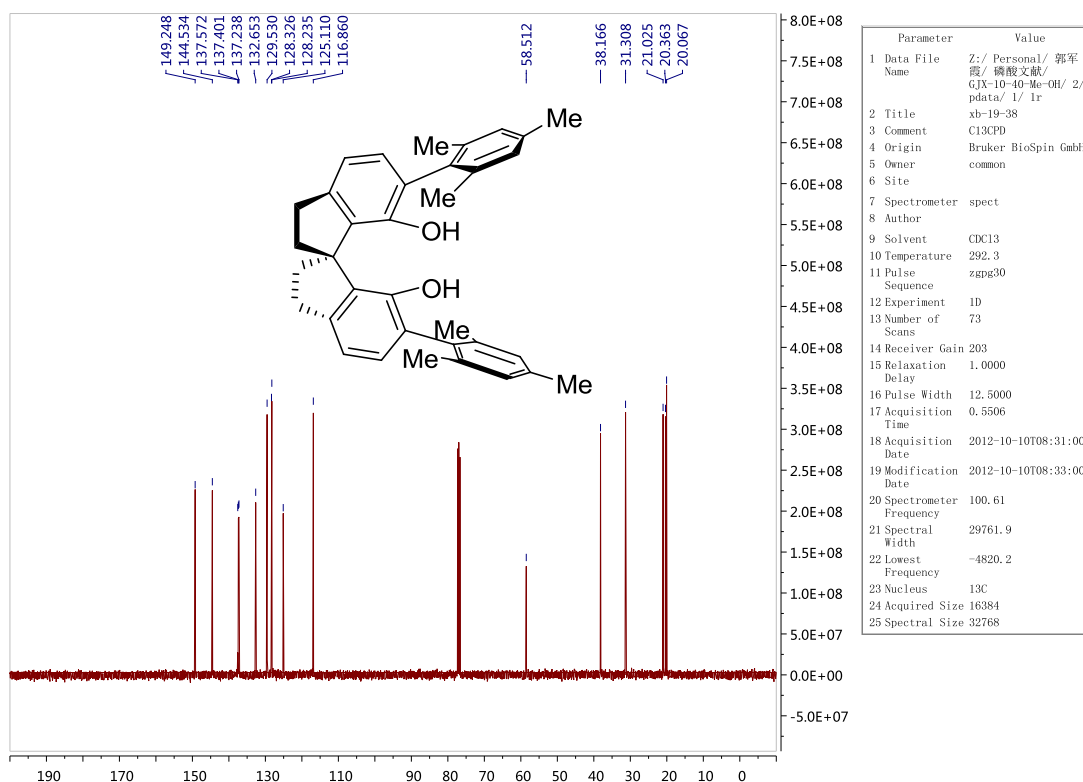
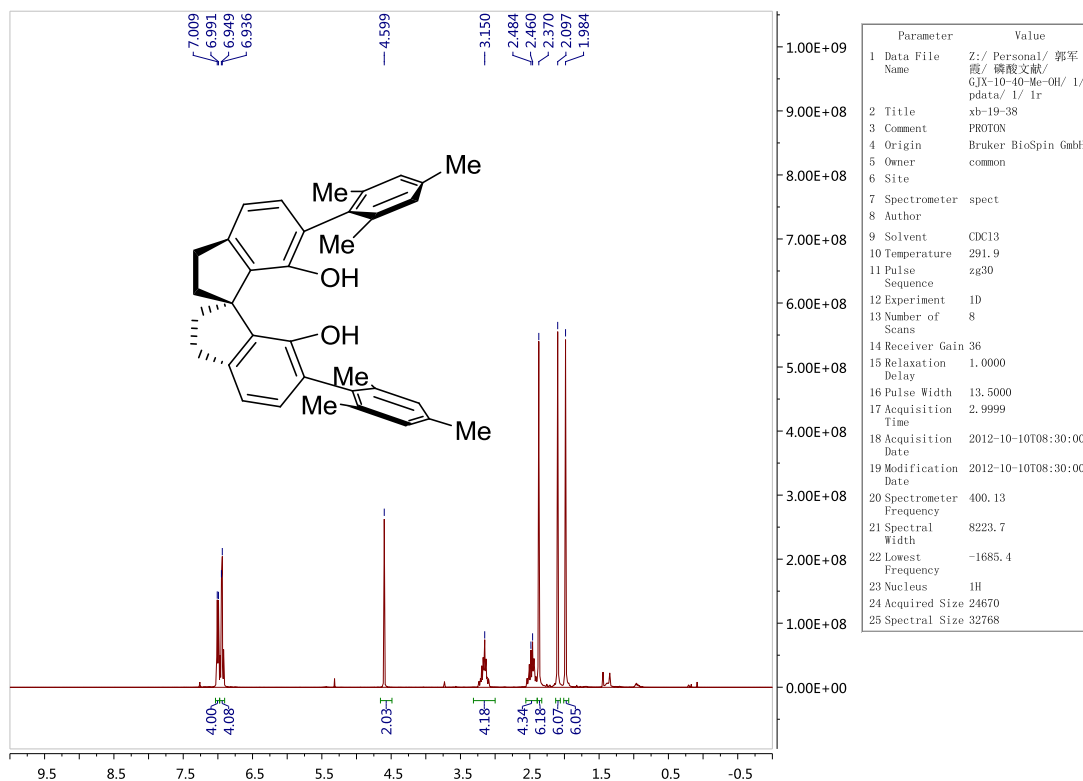
(t, $J = 6.0$ Hz, 1H, CH), 1.91–1.75 (m, 2H, CH₂), 1.45–1.30 (m, 2H, CH₂), 0.93 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 3H, CH₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): 174.9 (1C, C=O), 56.0 (1C, CH), 34.4 (1C, CH₂), 19.6 (1C, CH₂), 14.2 (1C, CH₃).

7. NMR Spectra of New Compounds

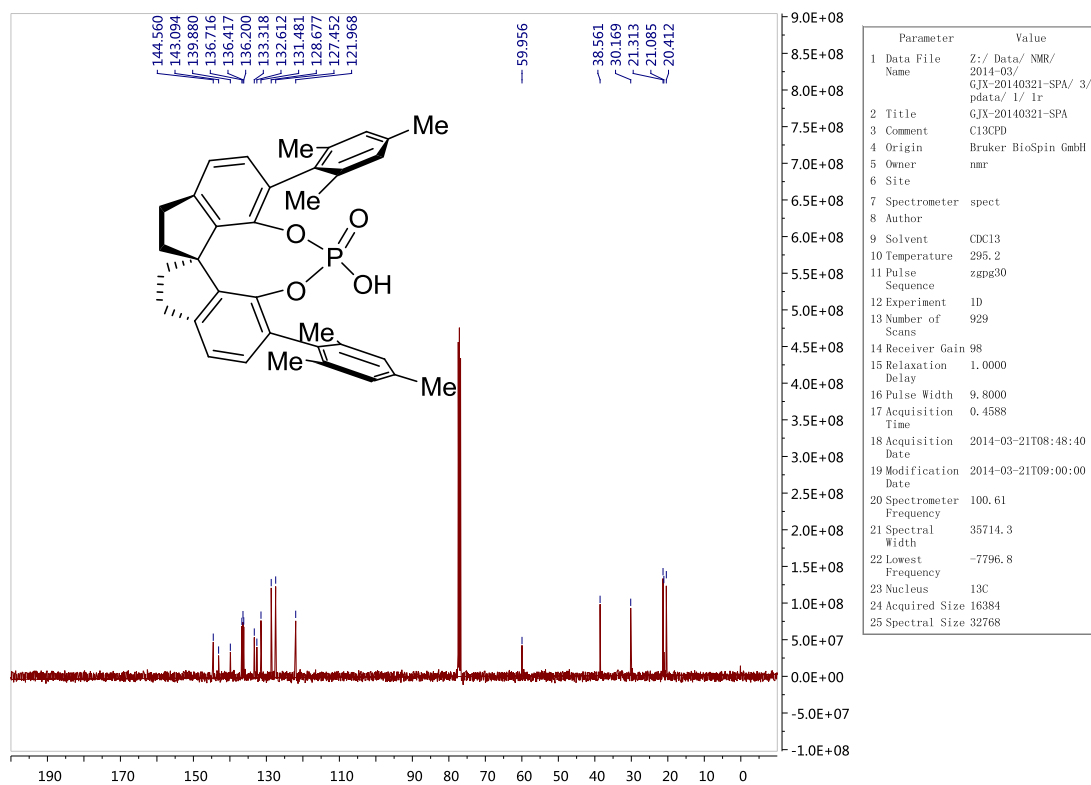
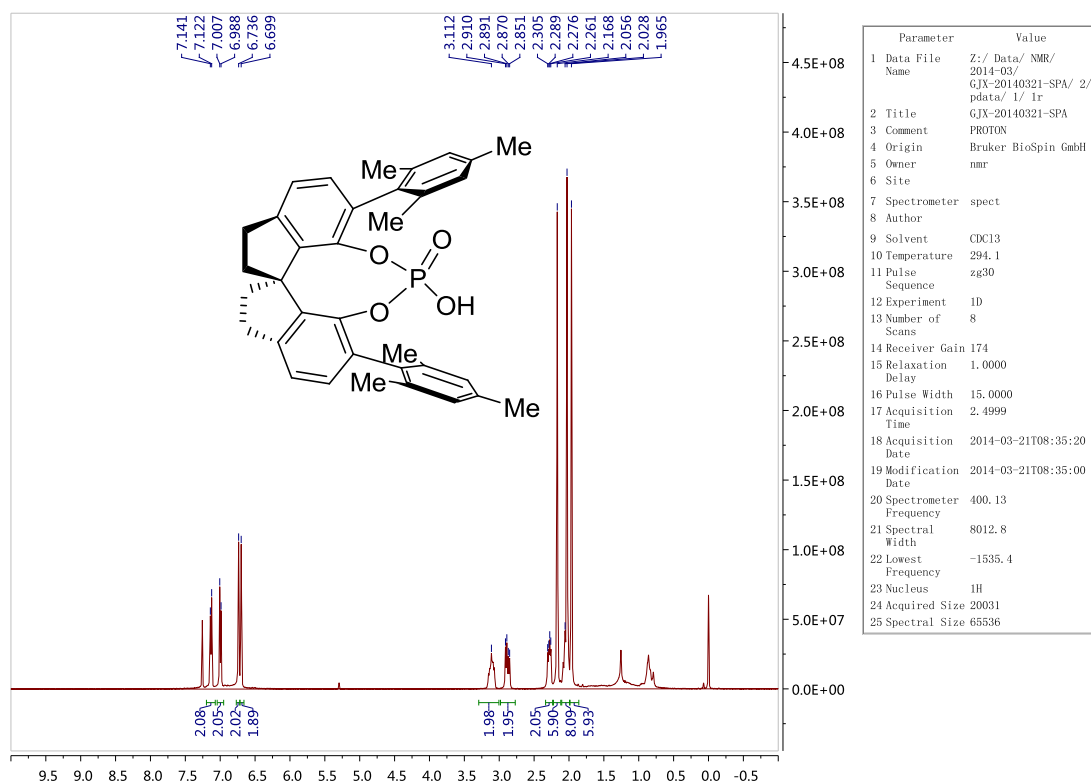
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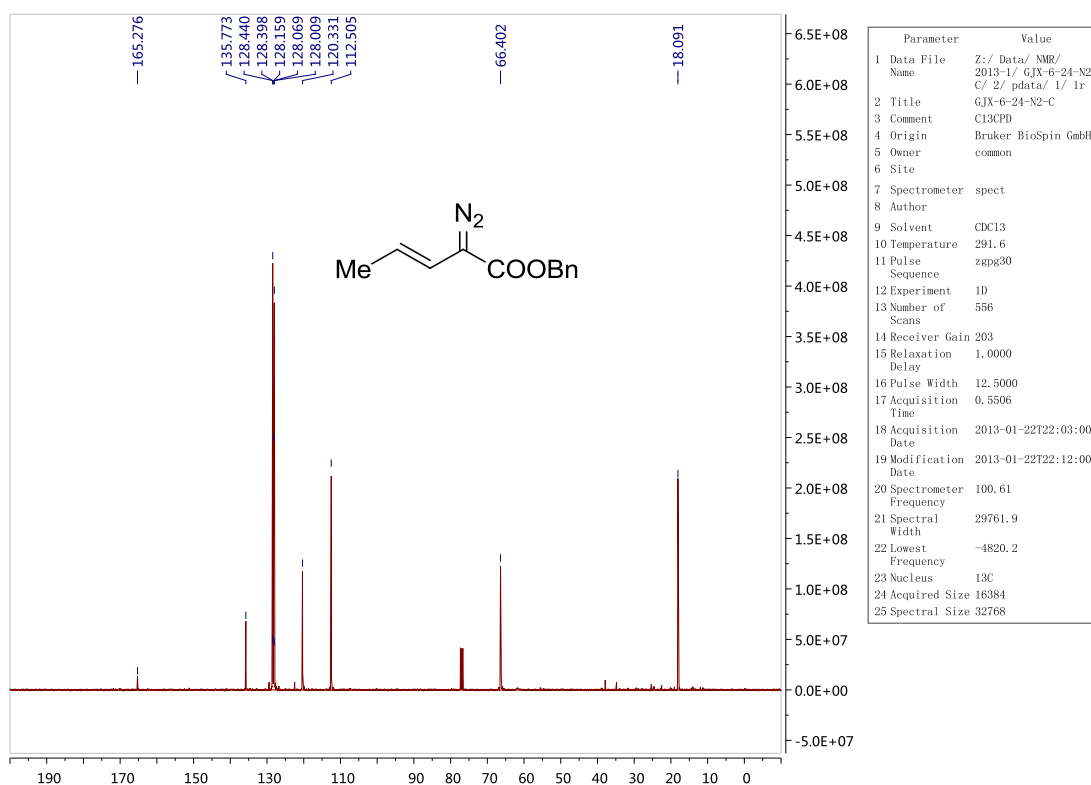
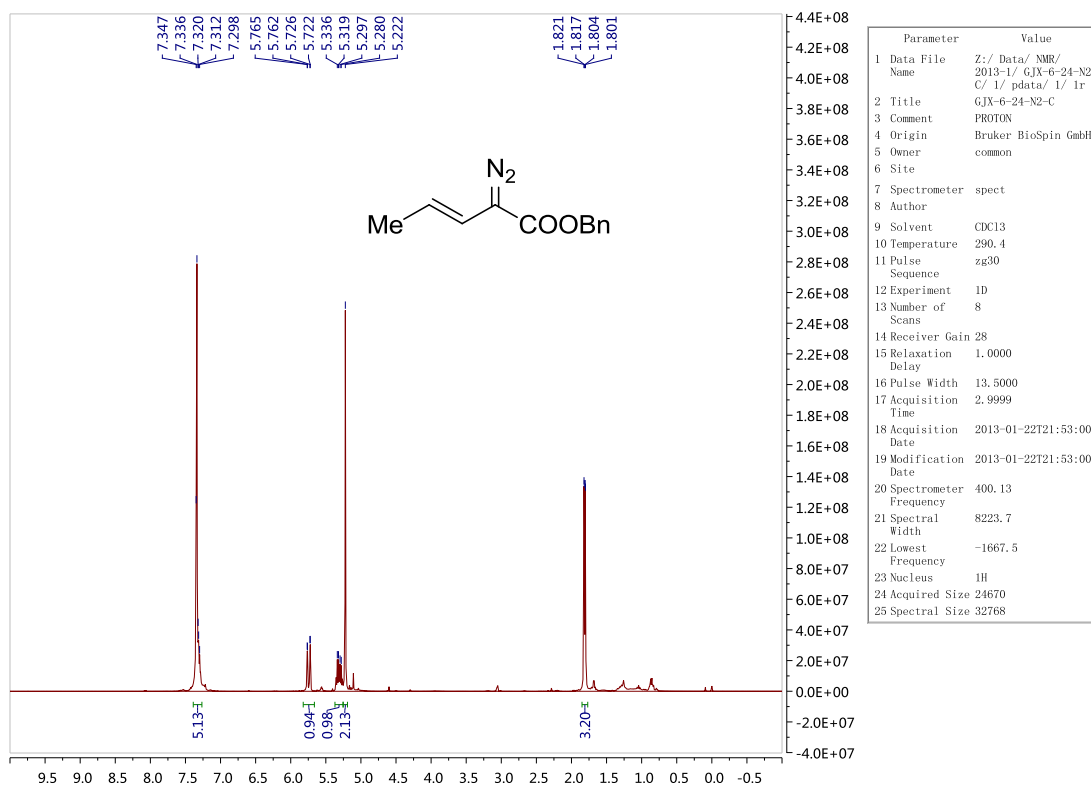
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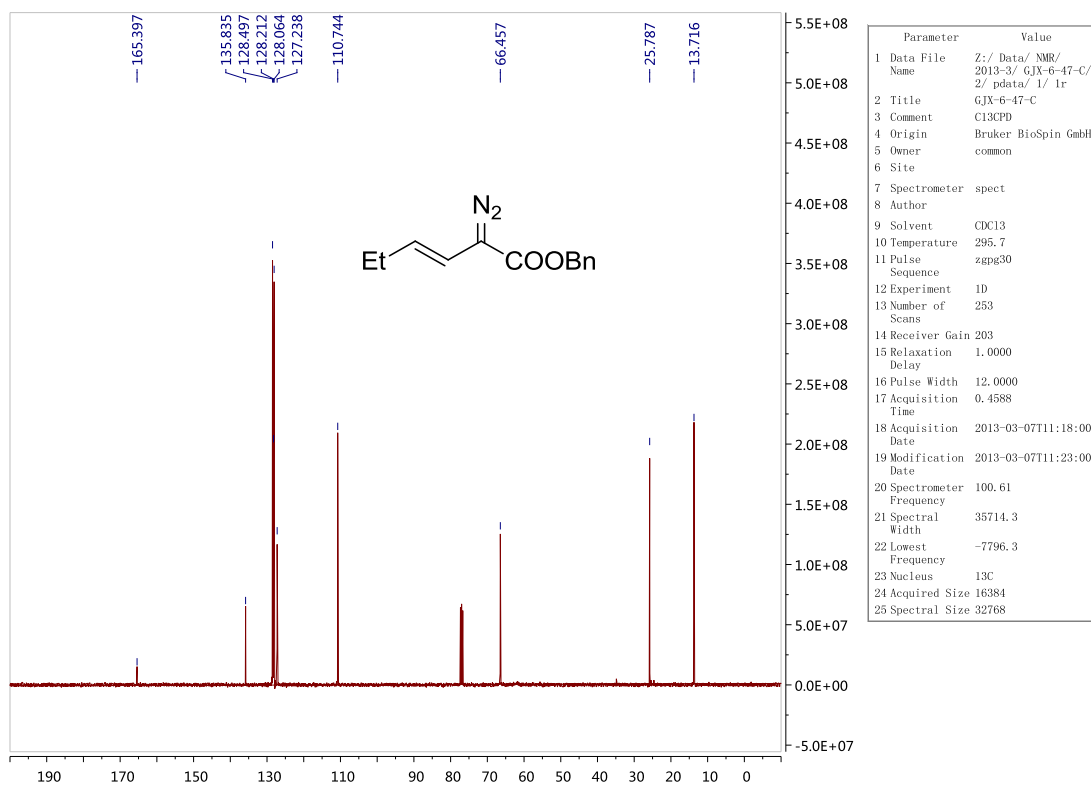
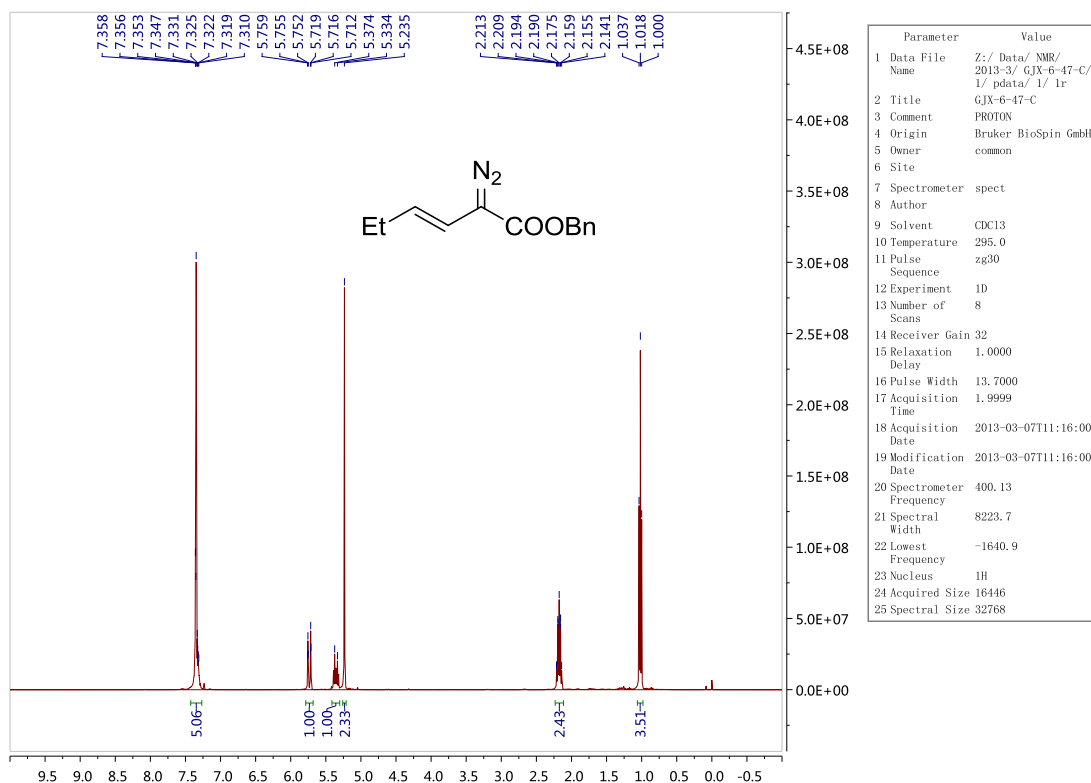
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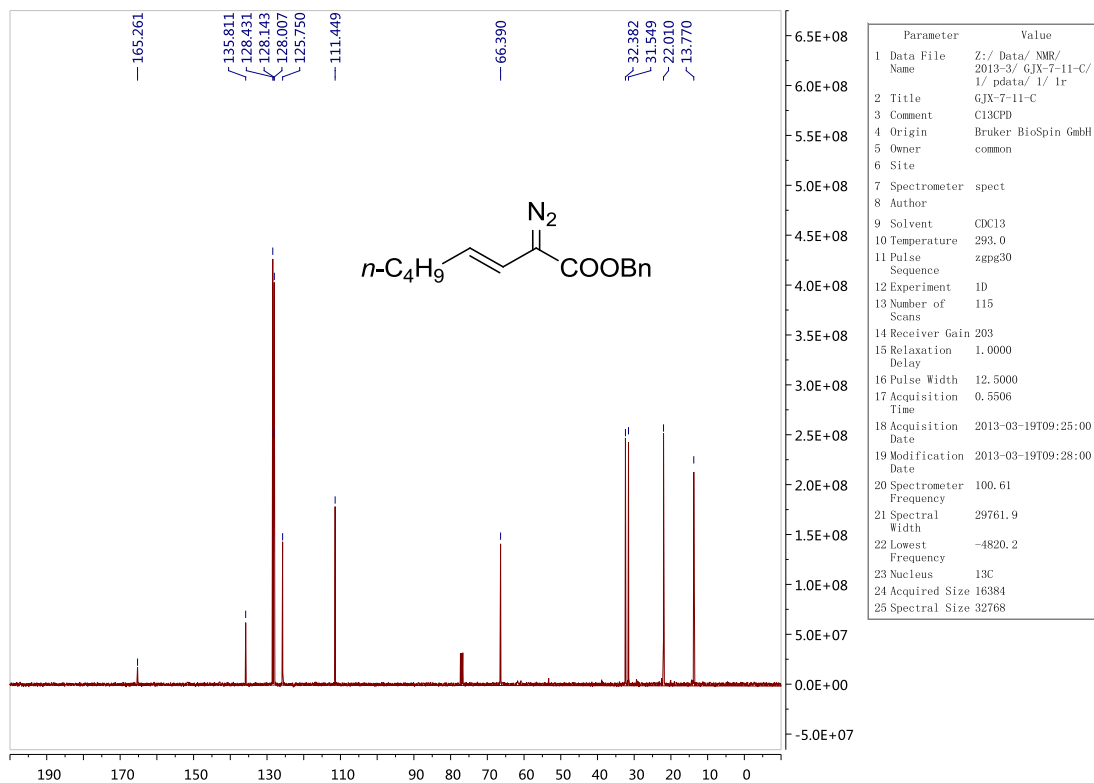
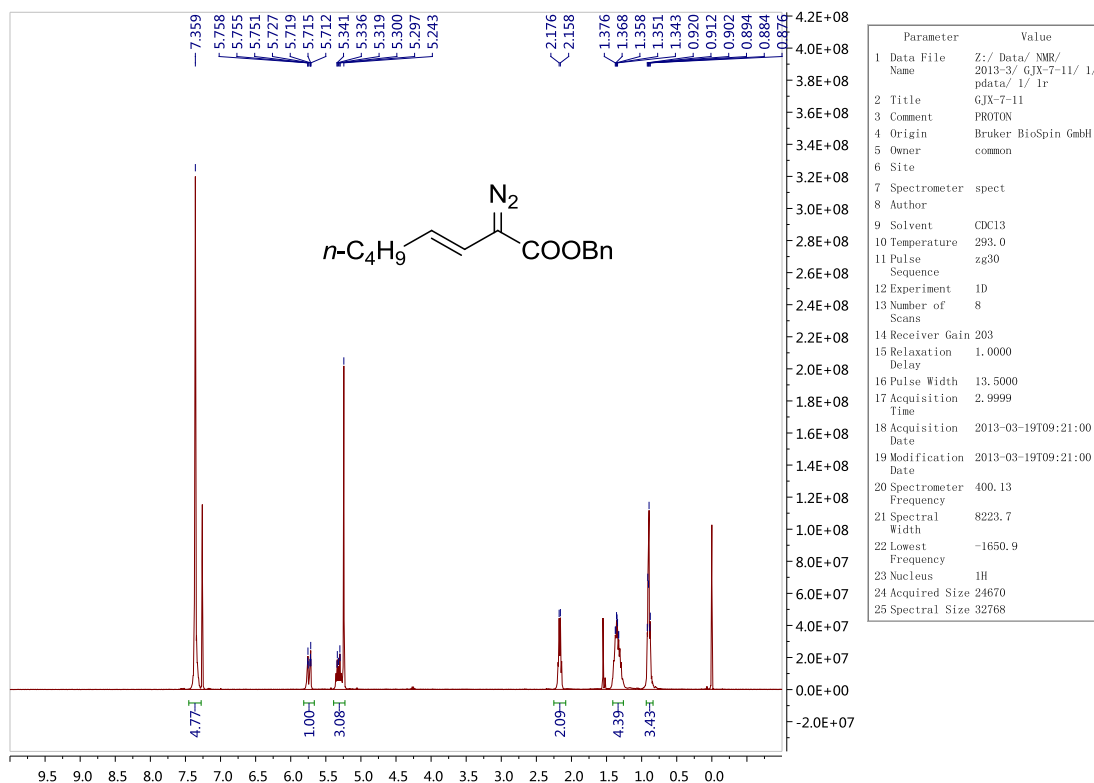
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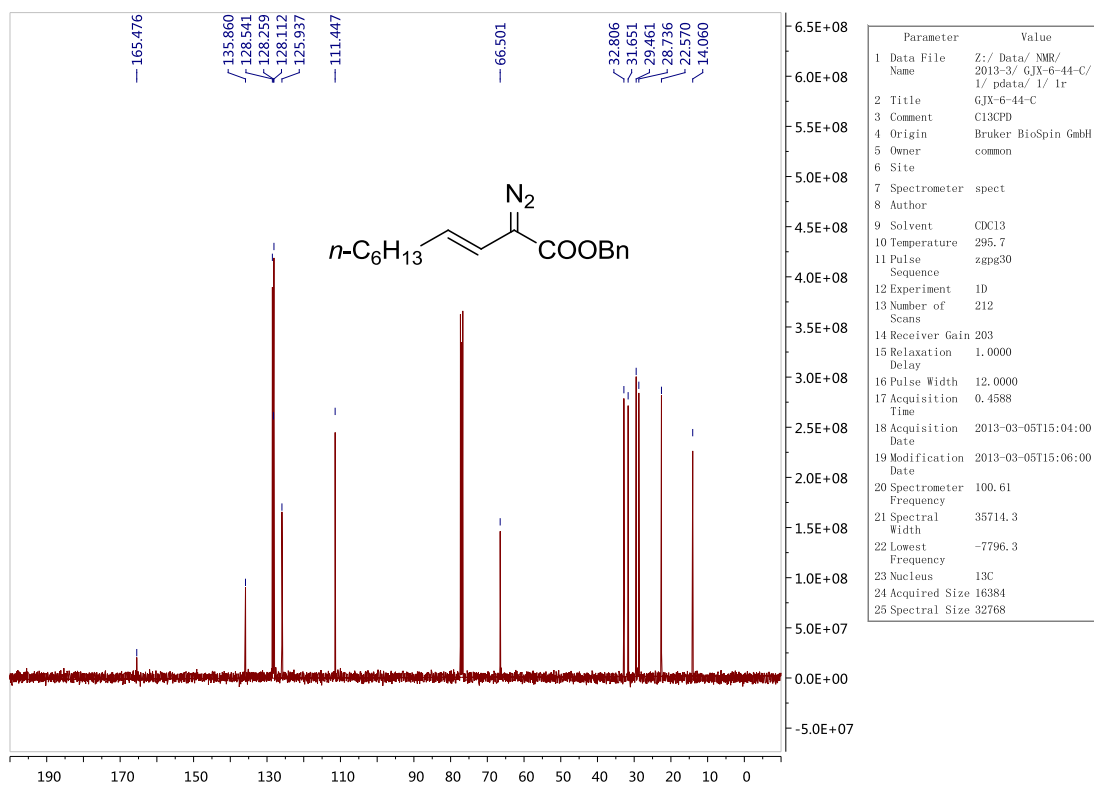
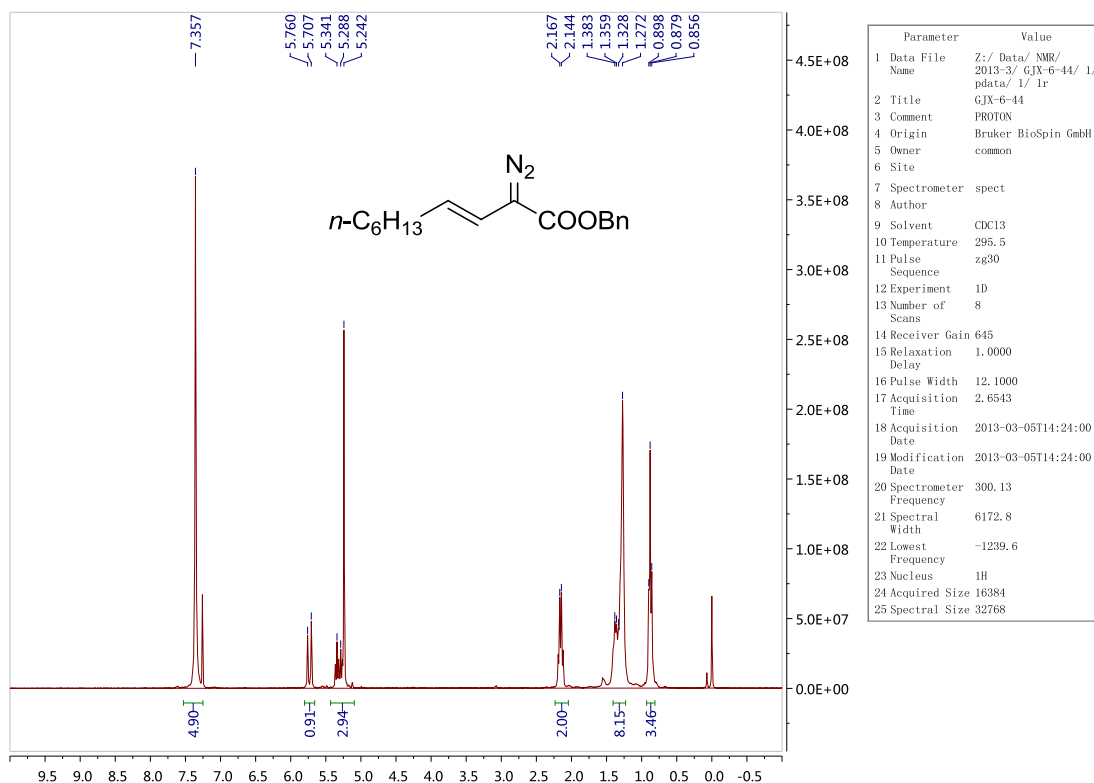
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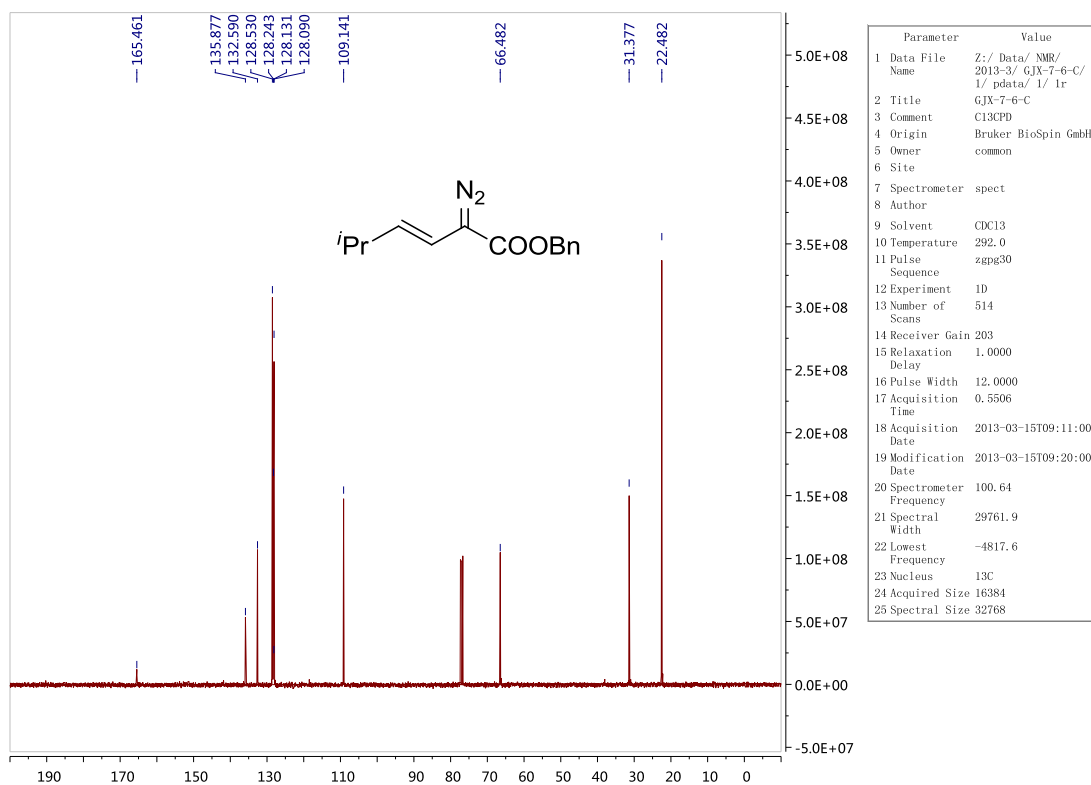
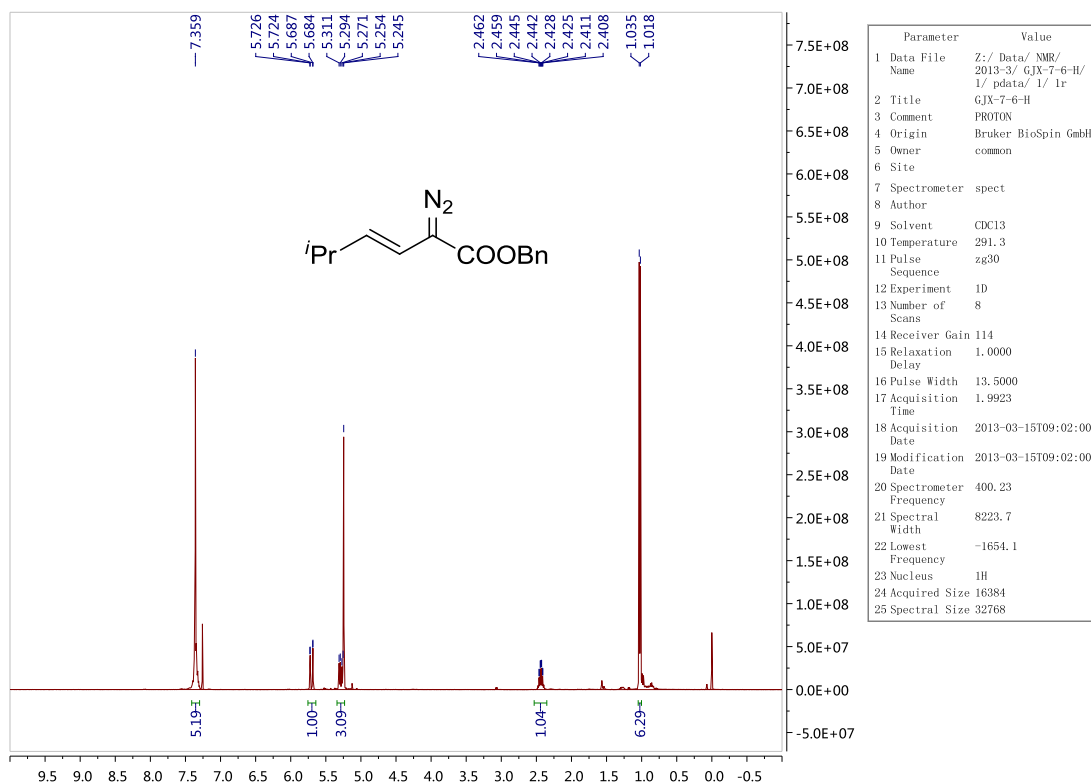
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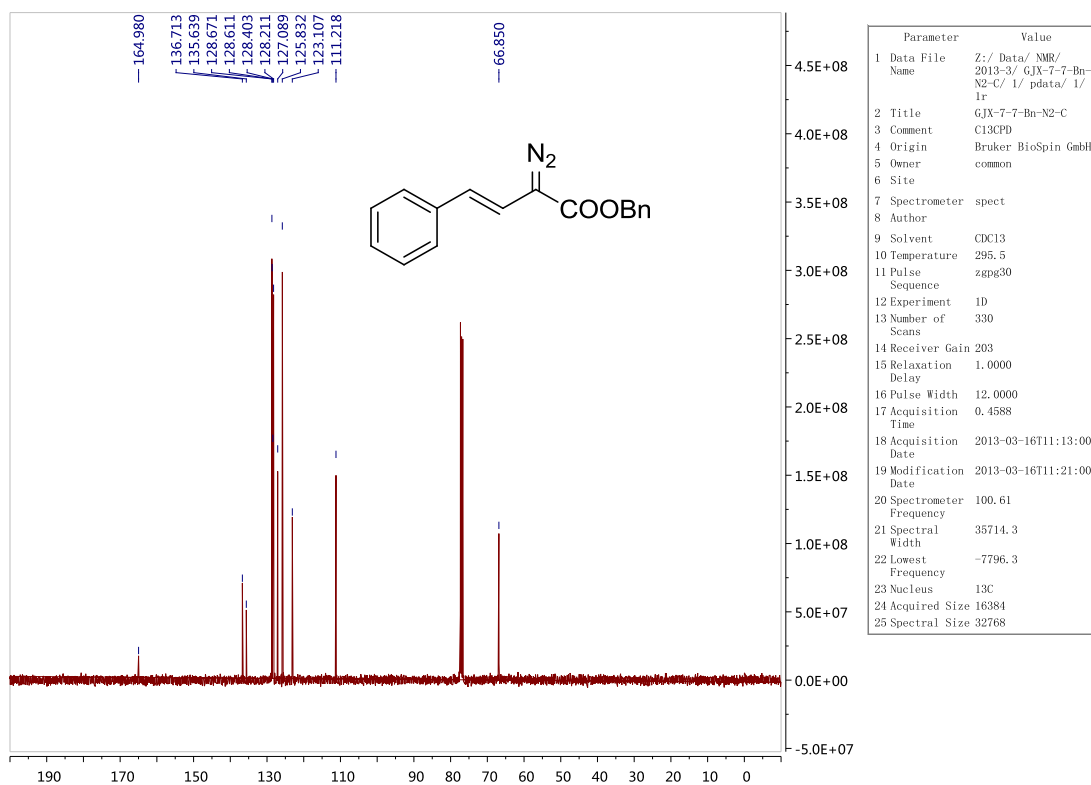
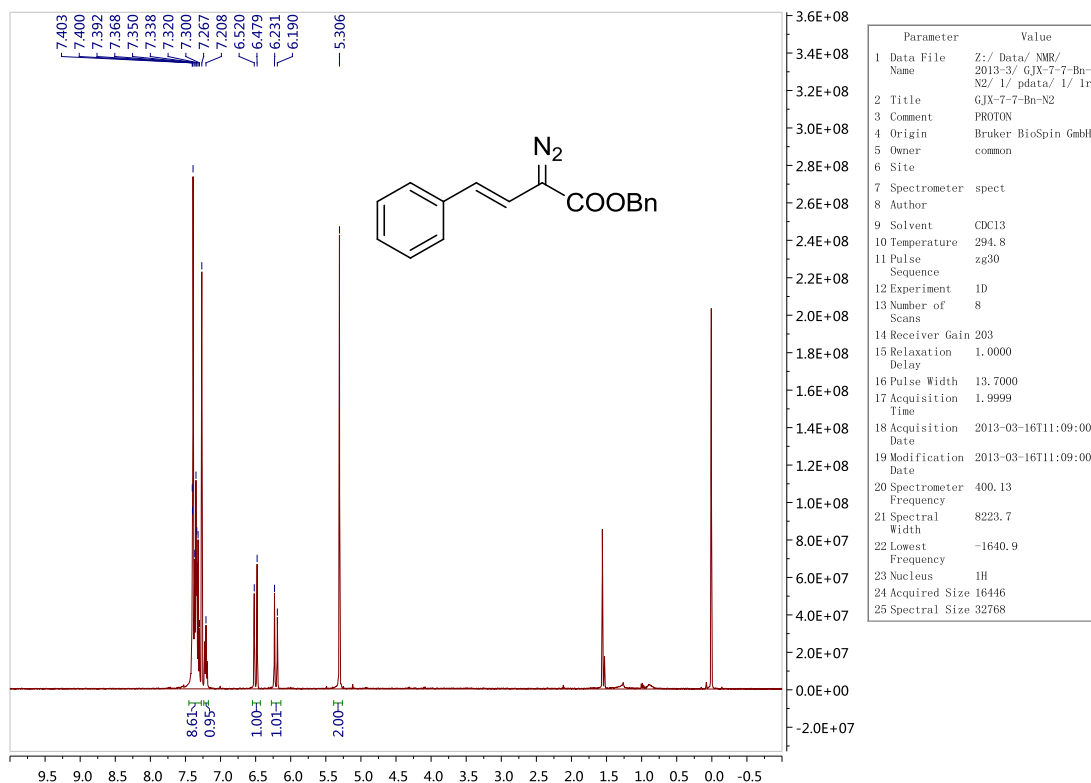
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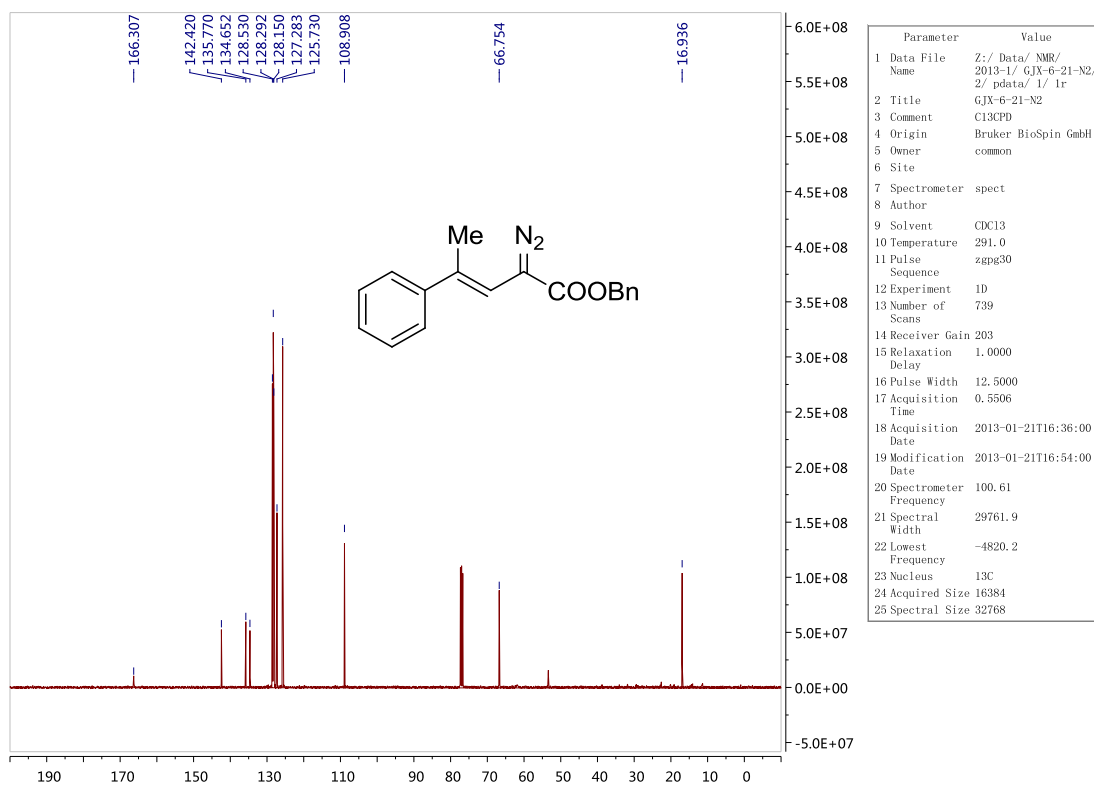
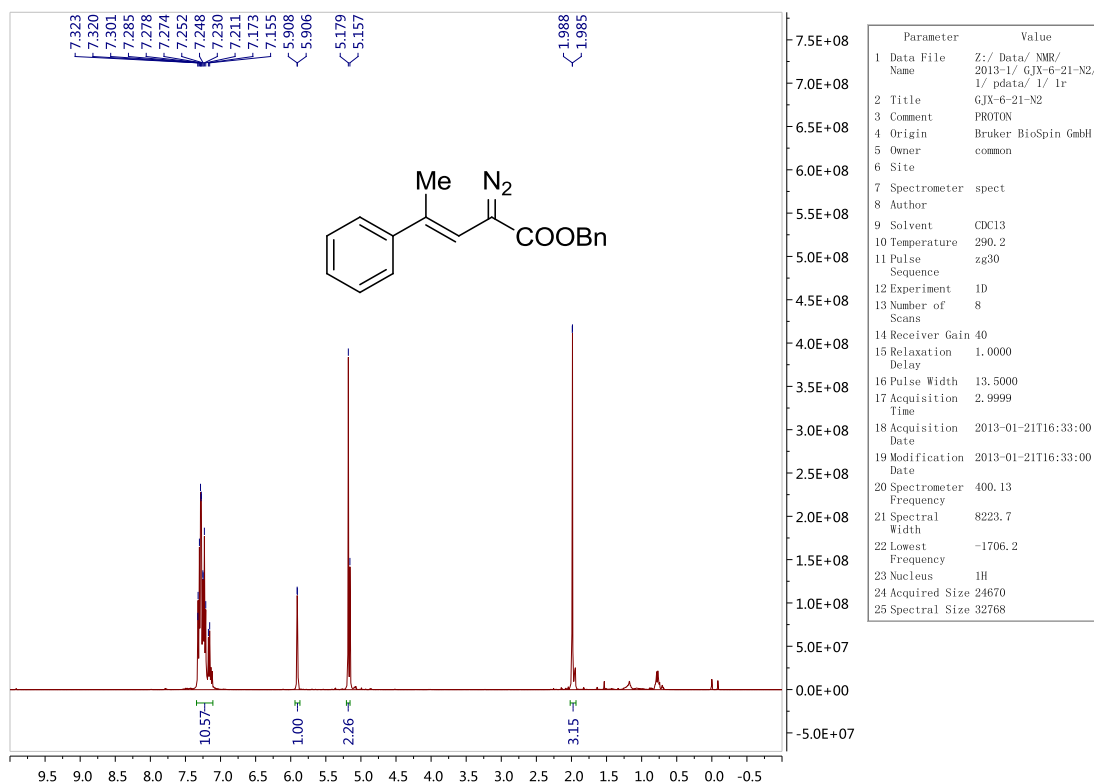
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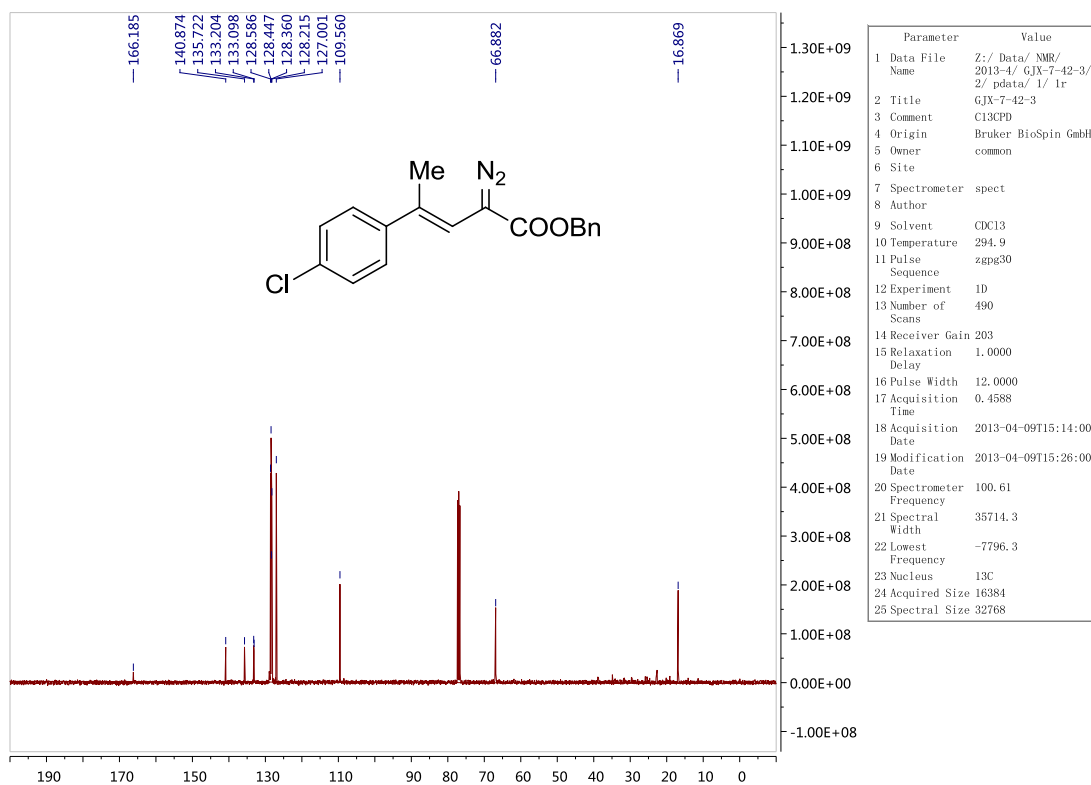
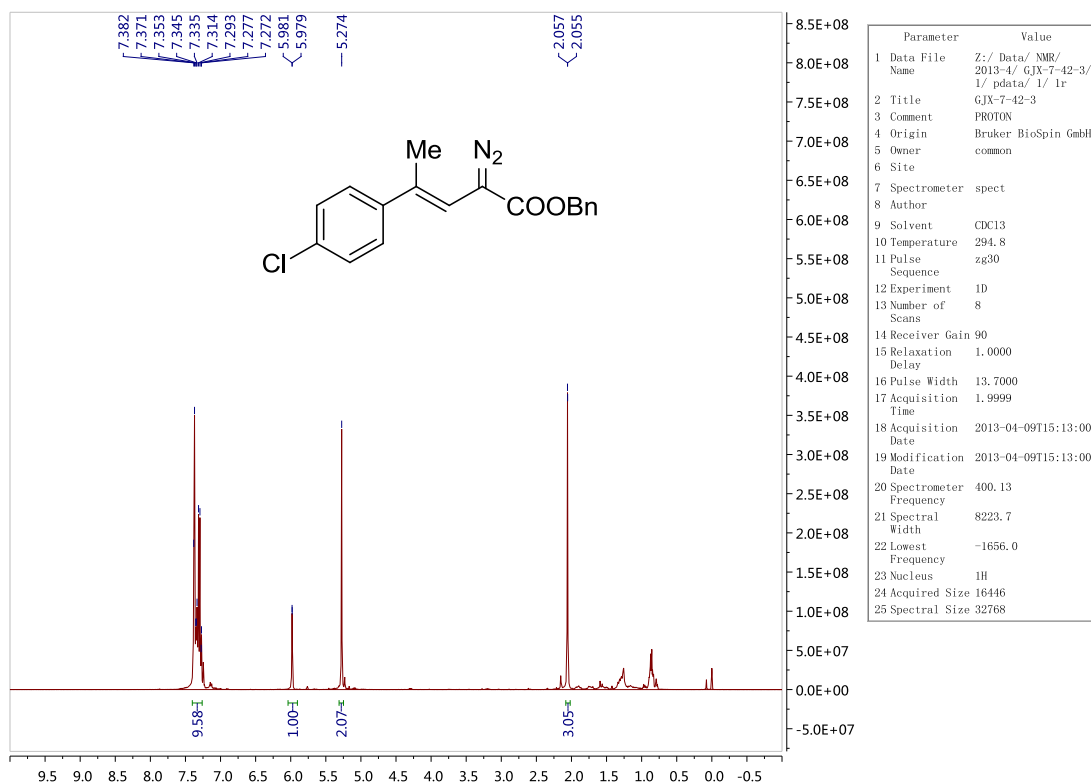
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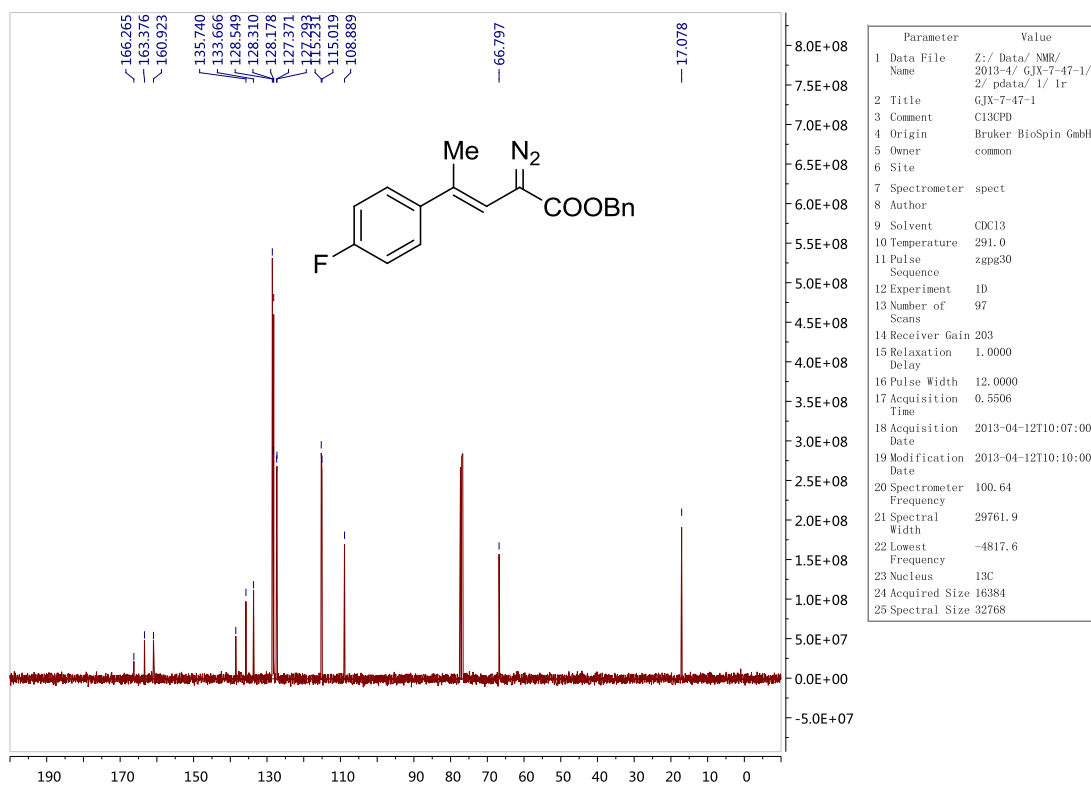
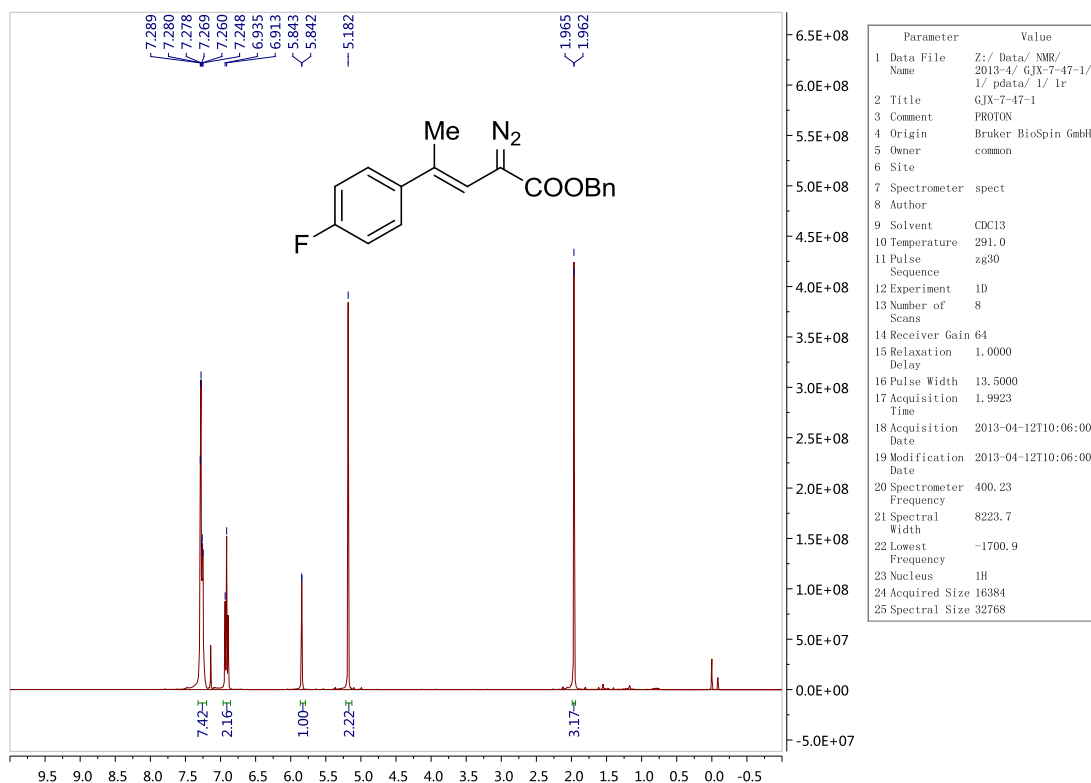
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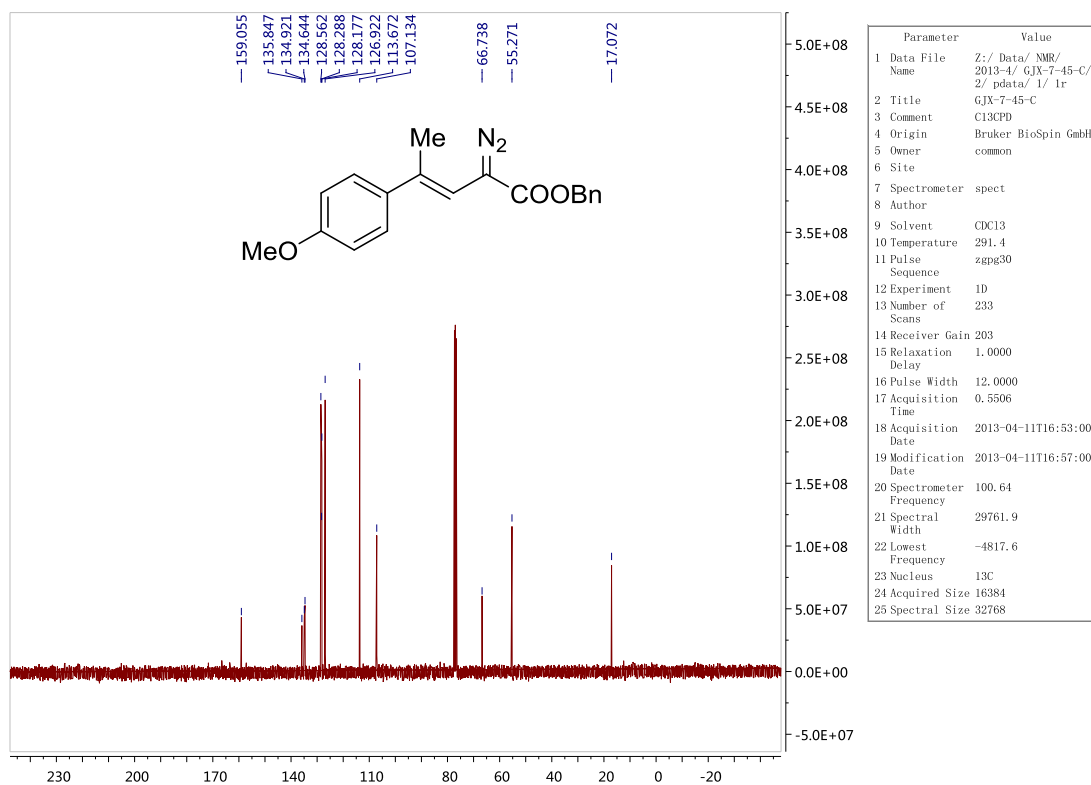
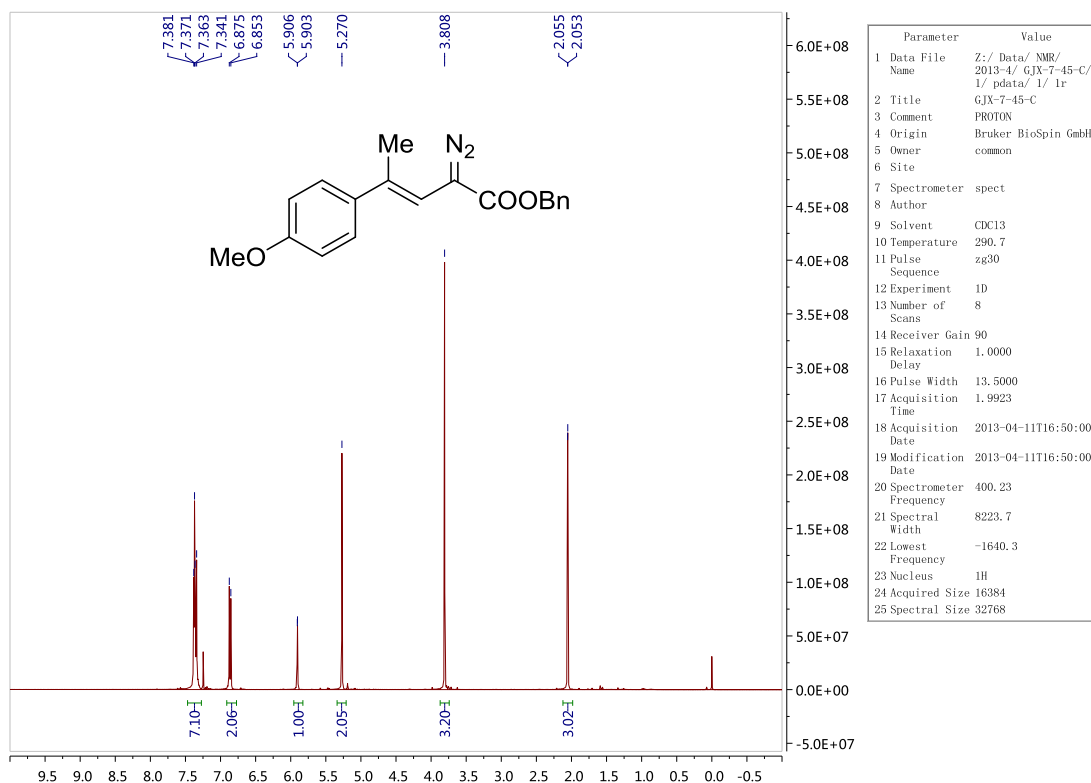
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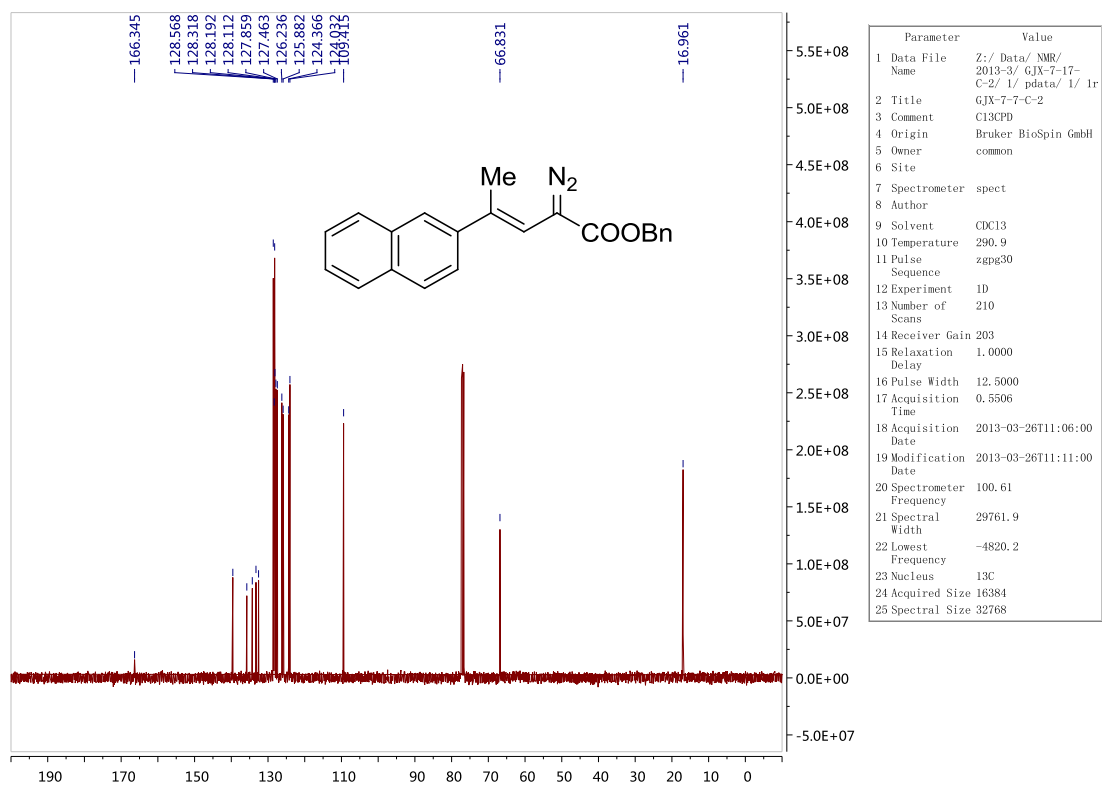
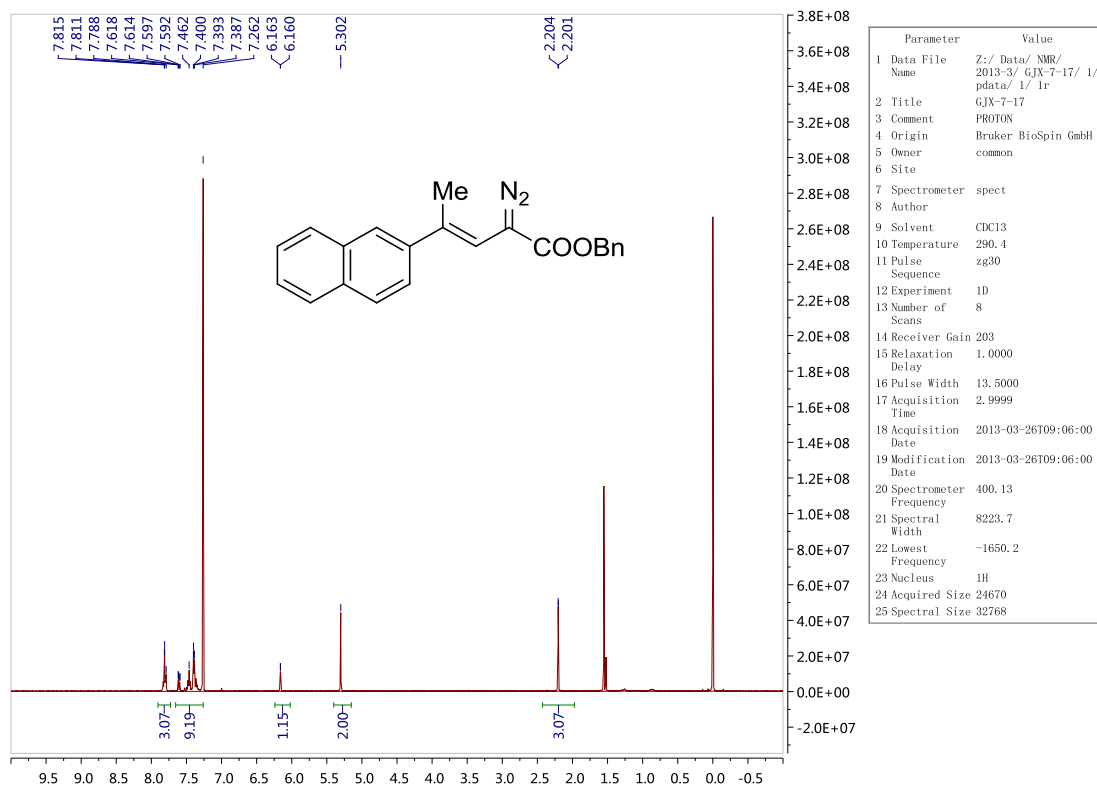
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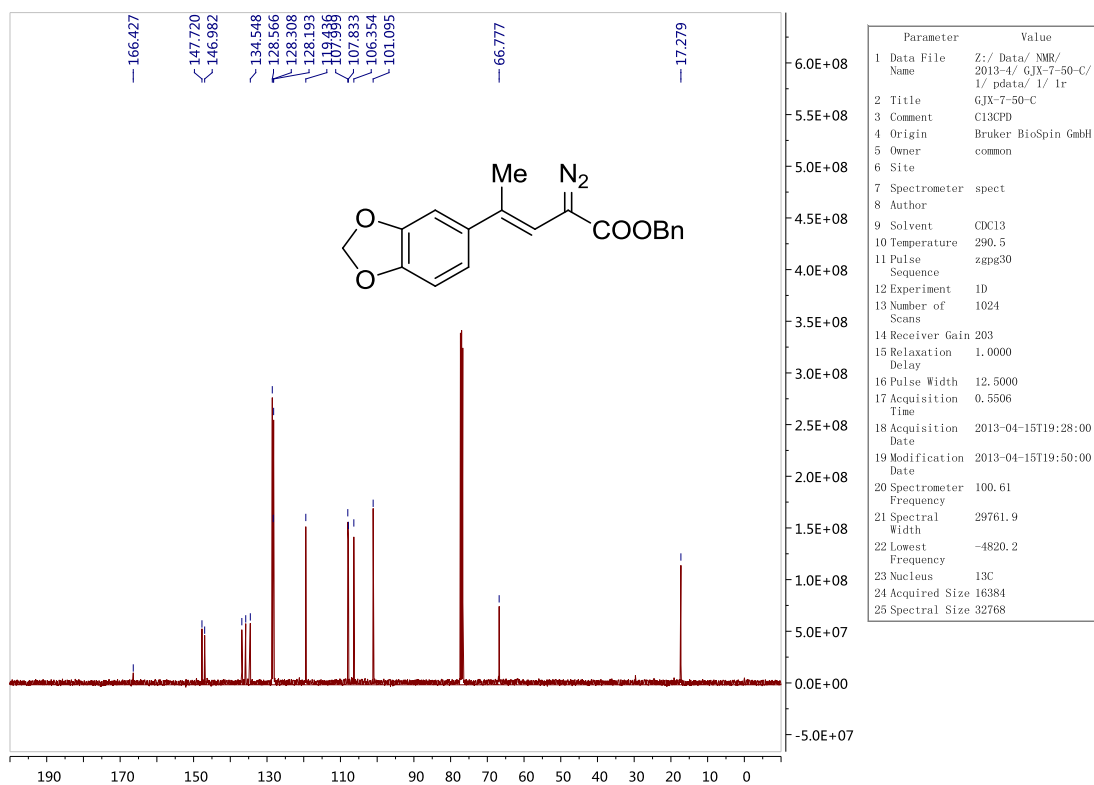
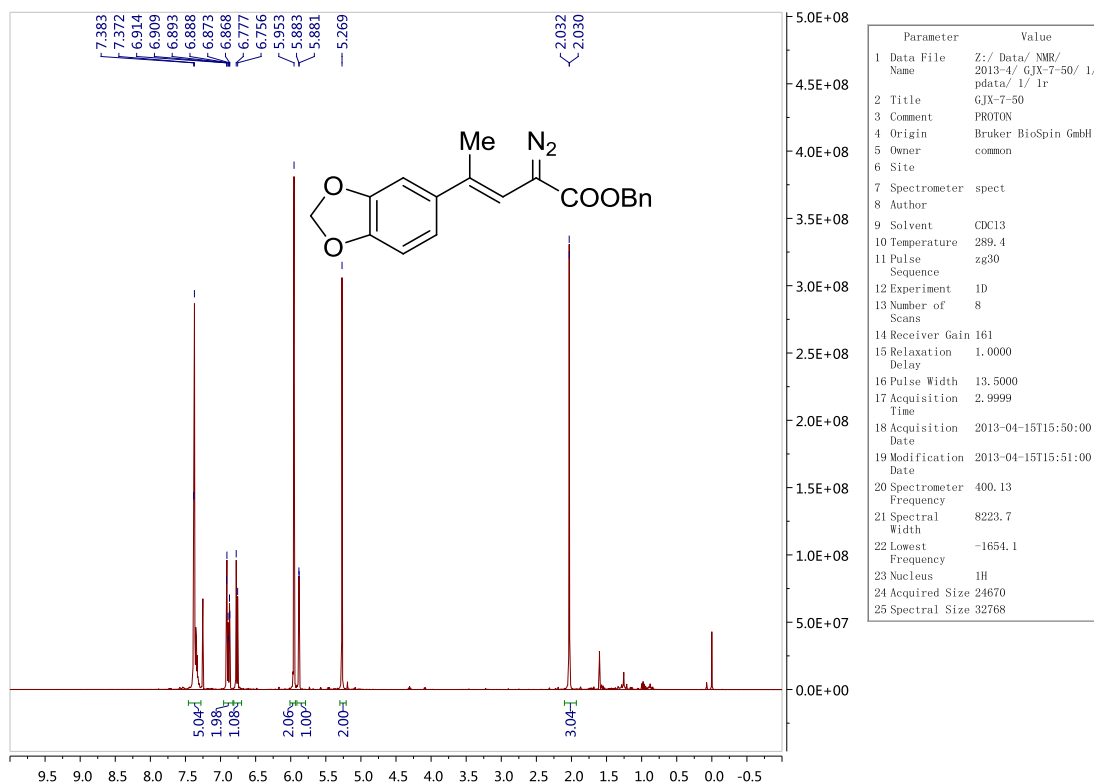
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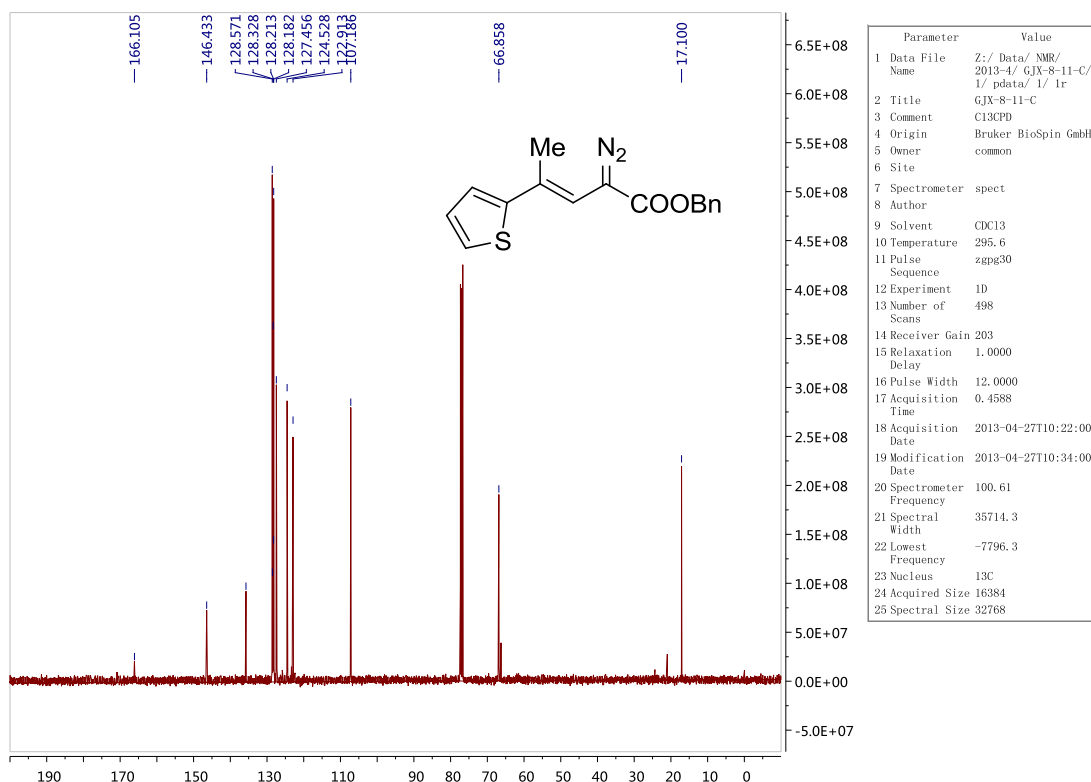
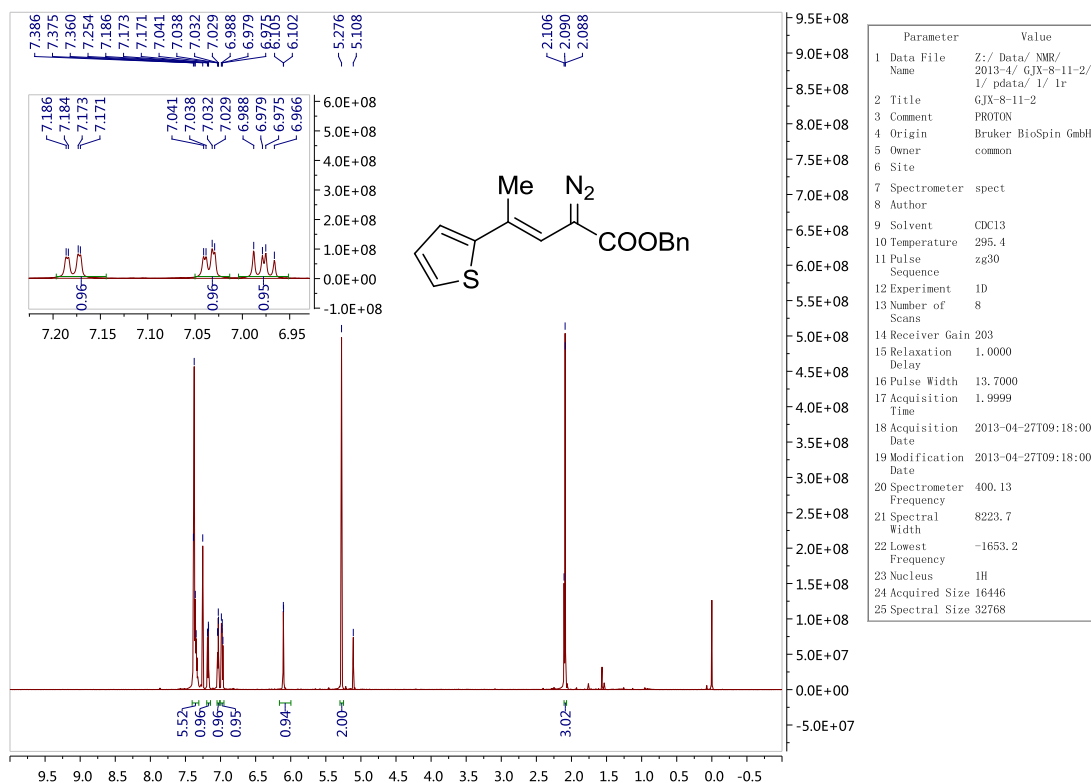
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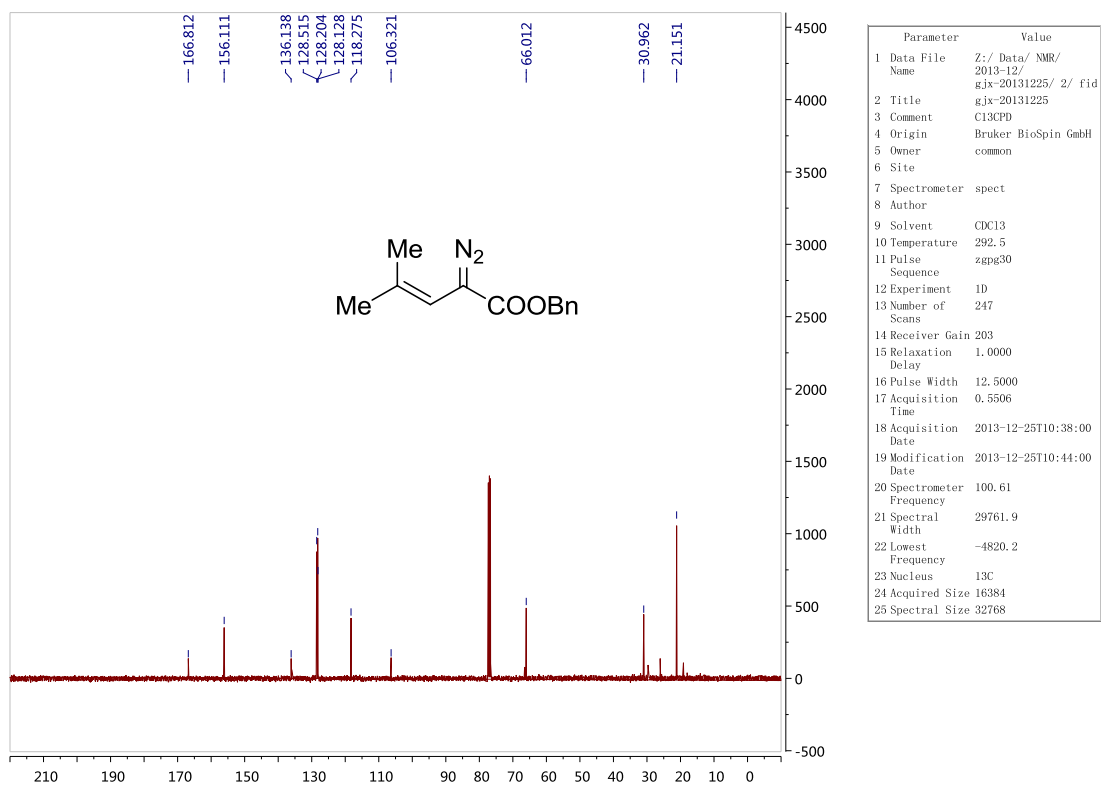
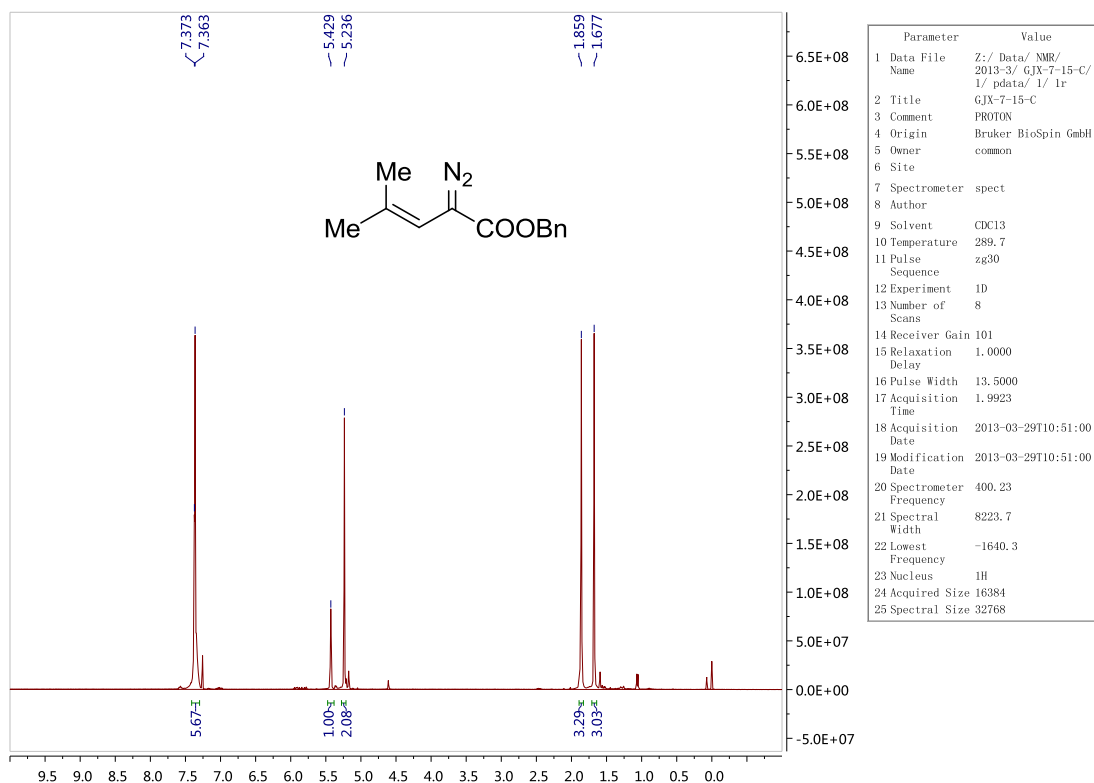
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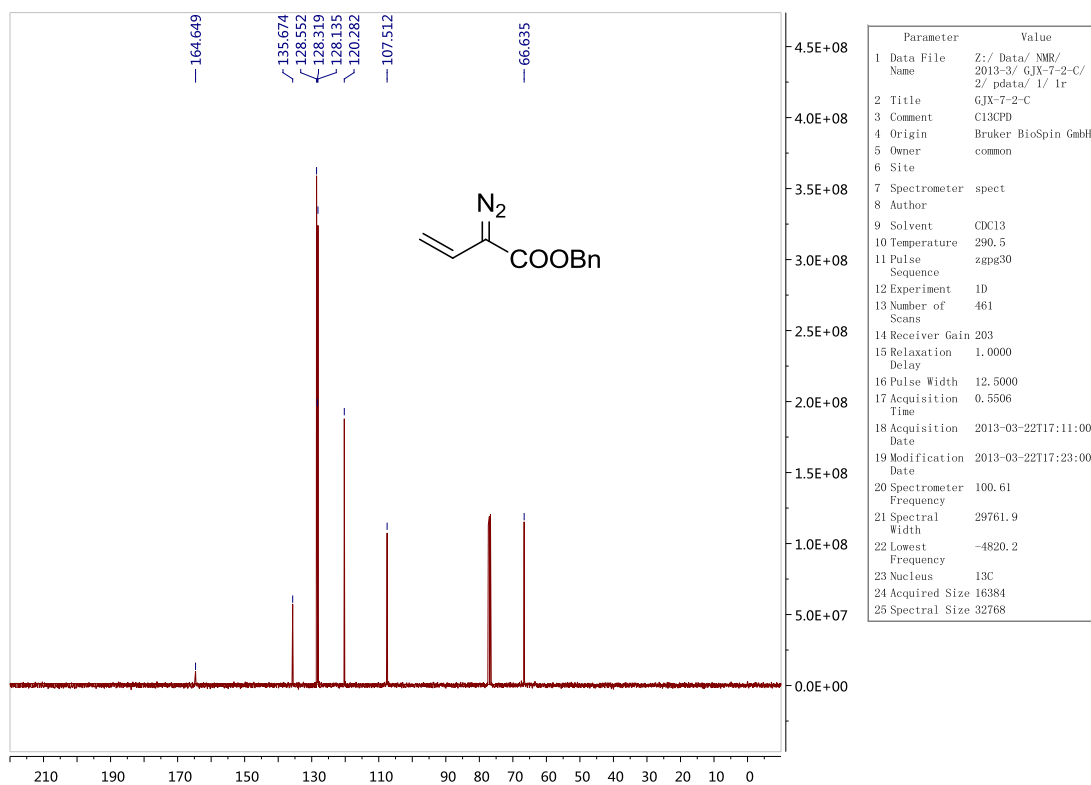
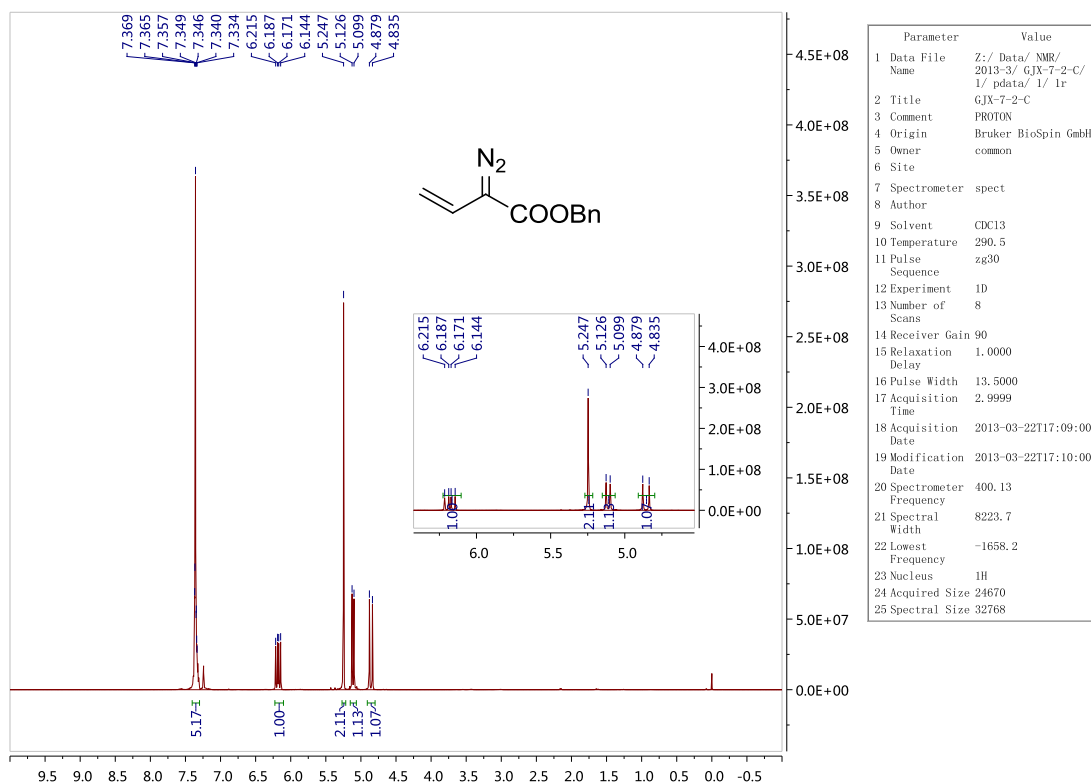
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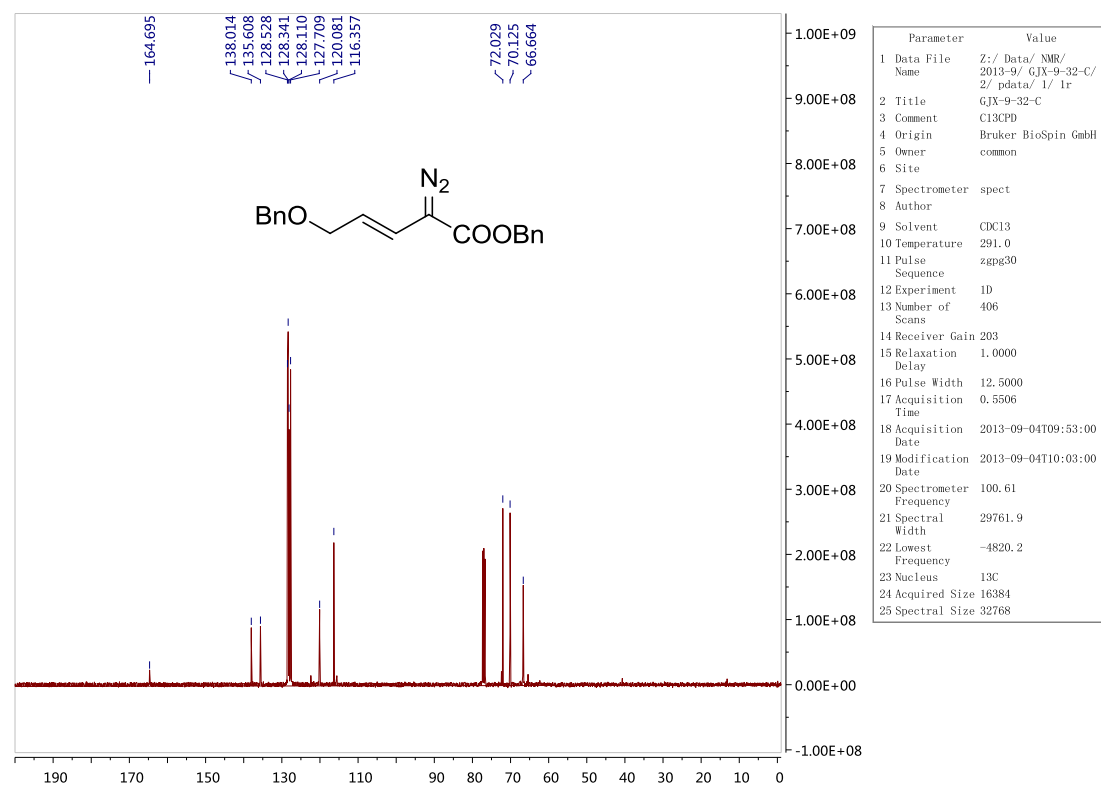
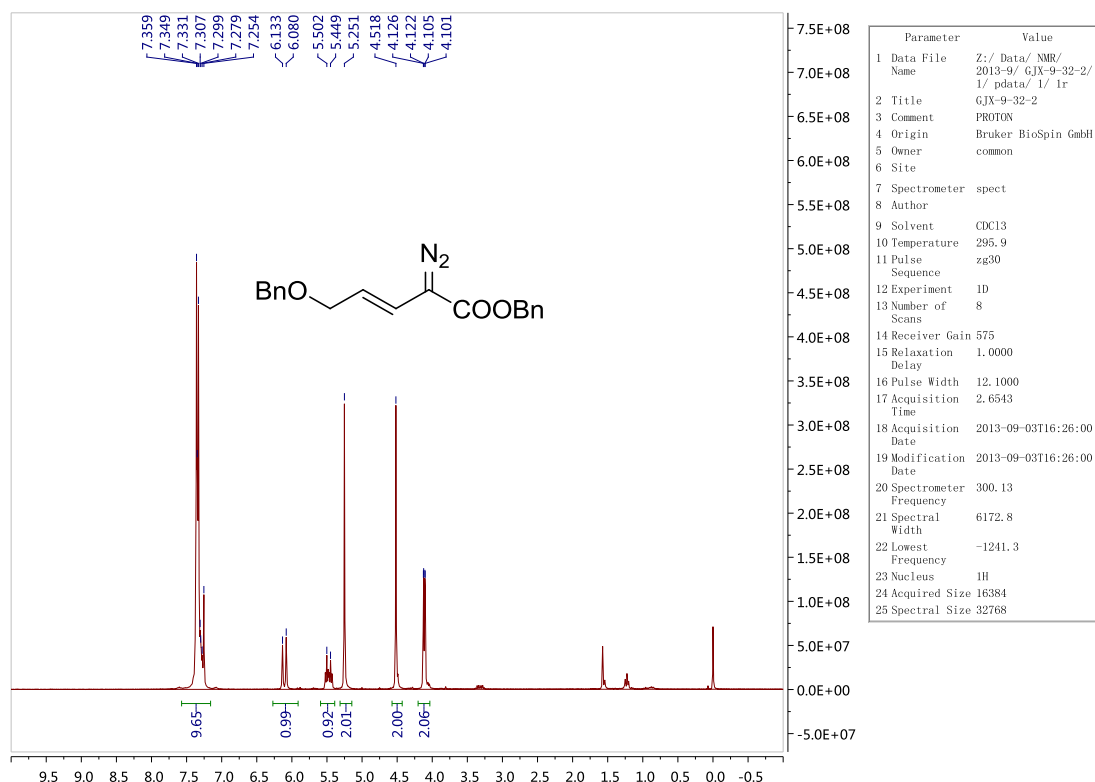
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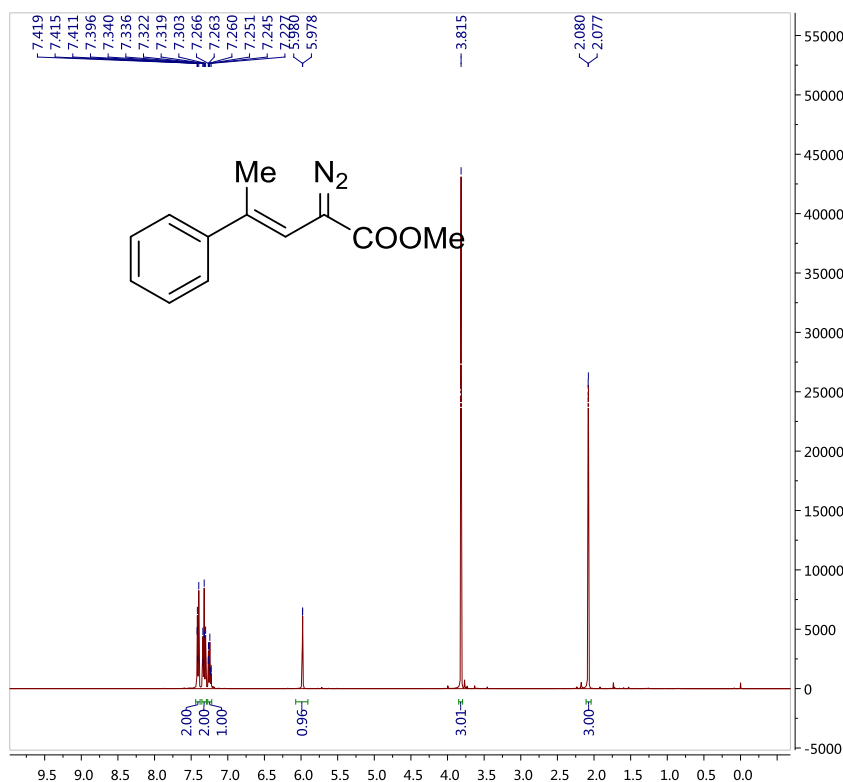
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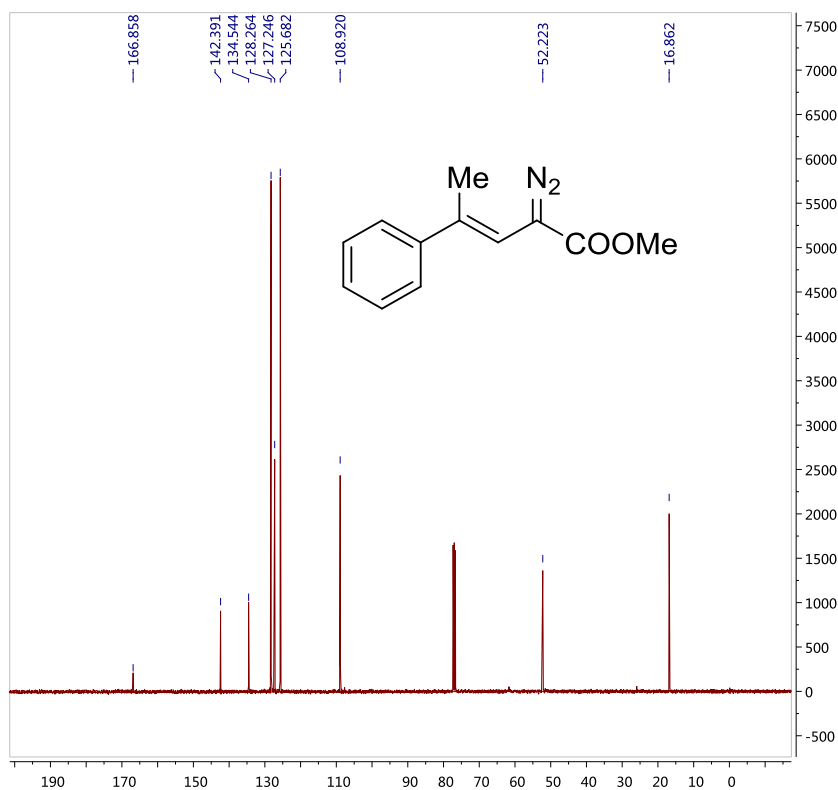
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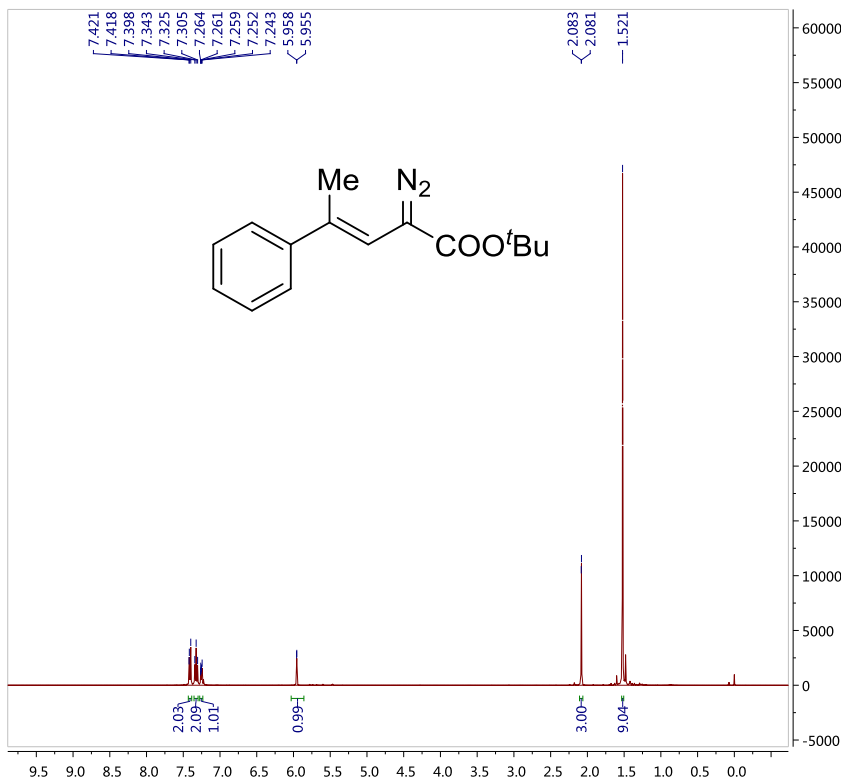


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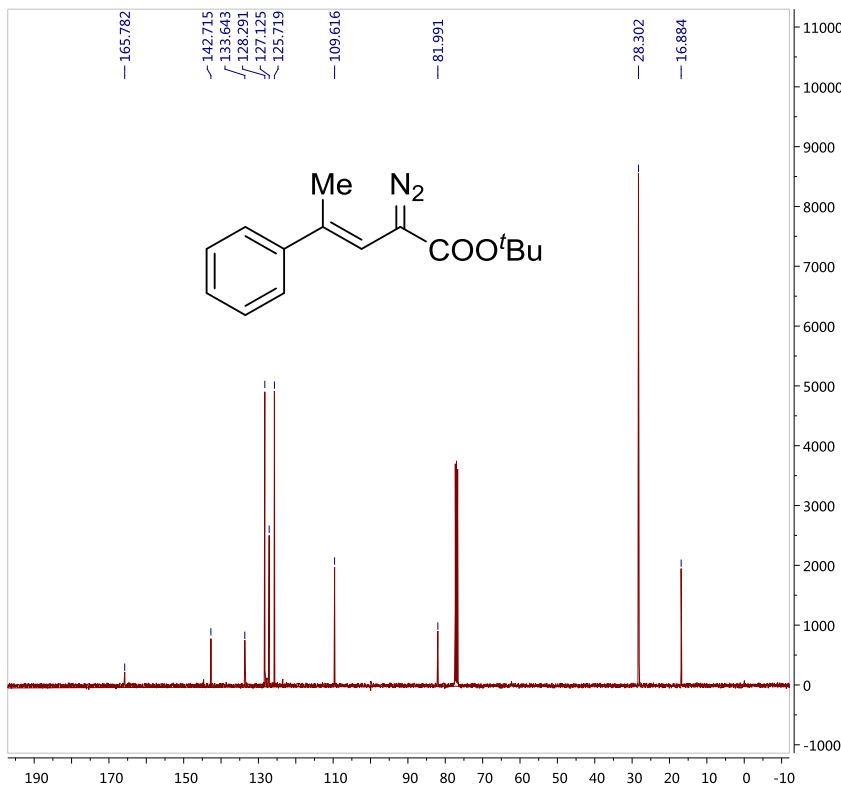


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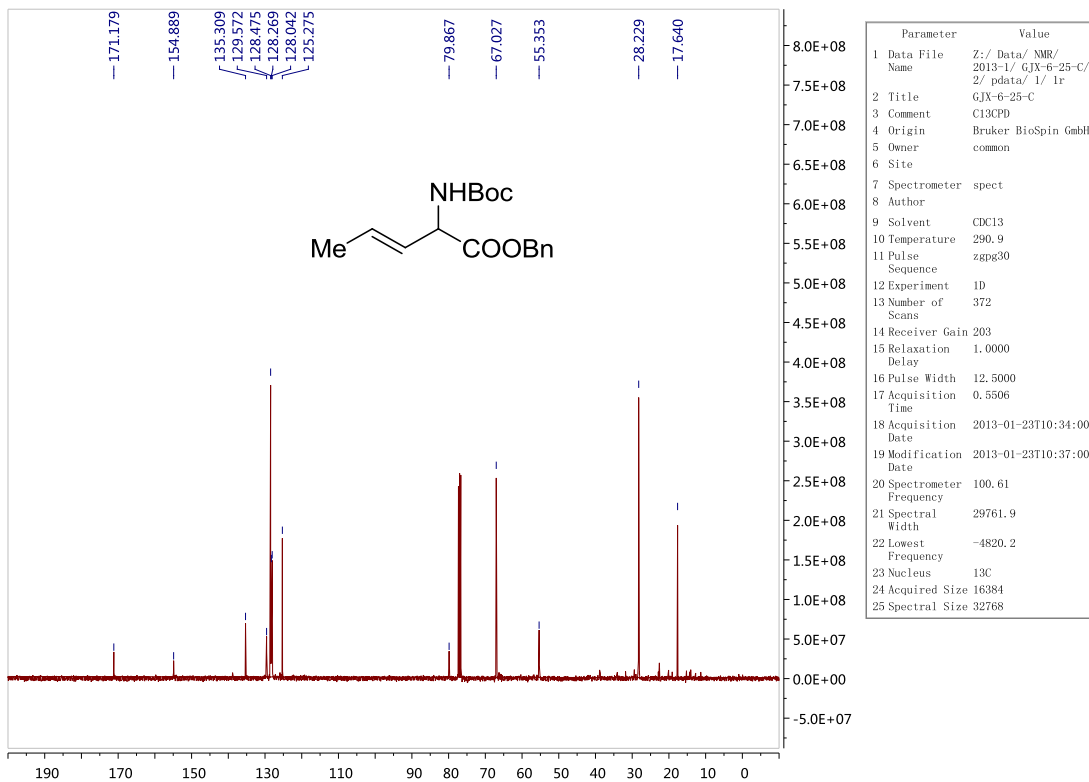
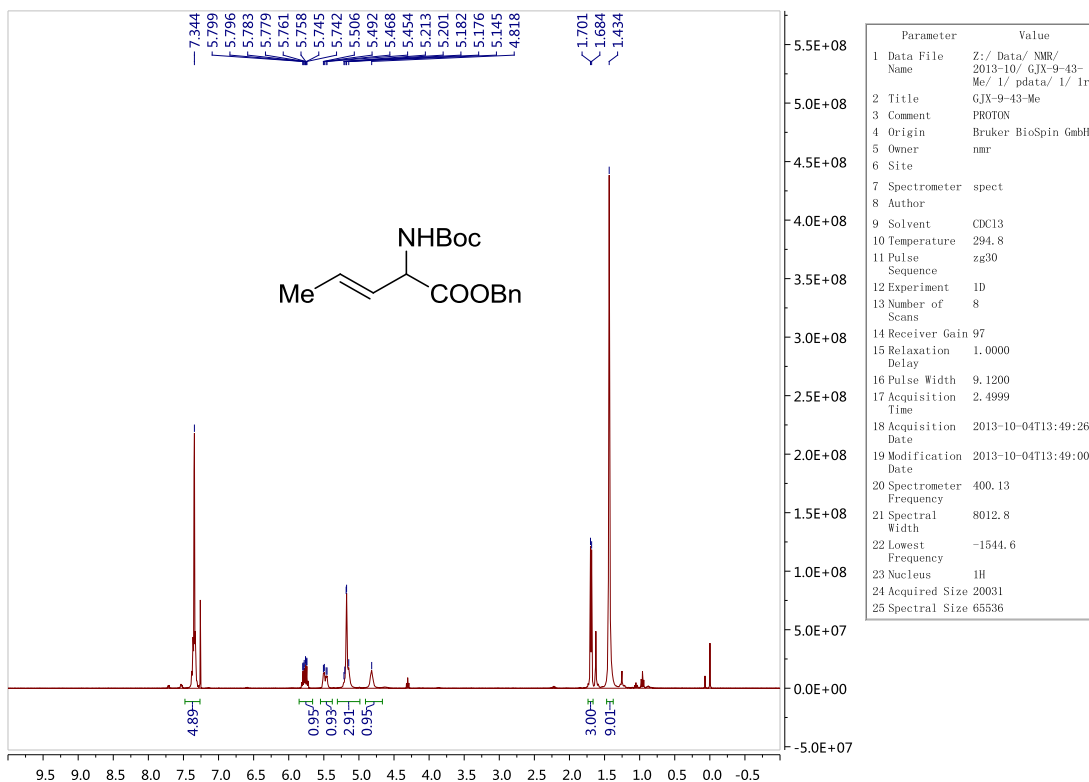


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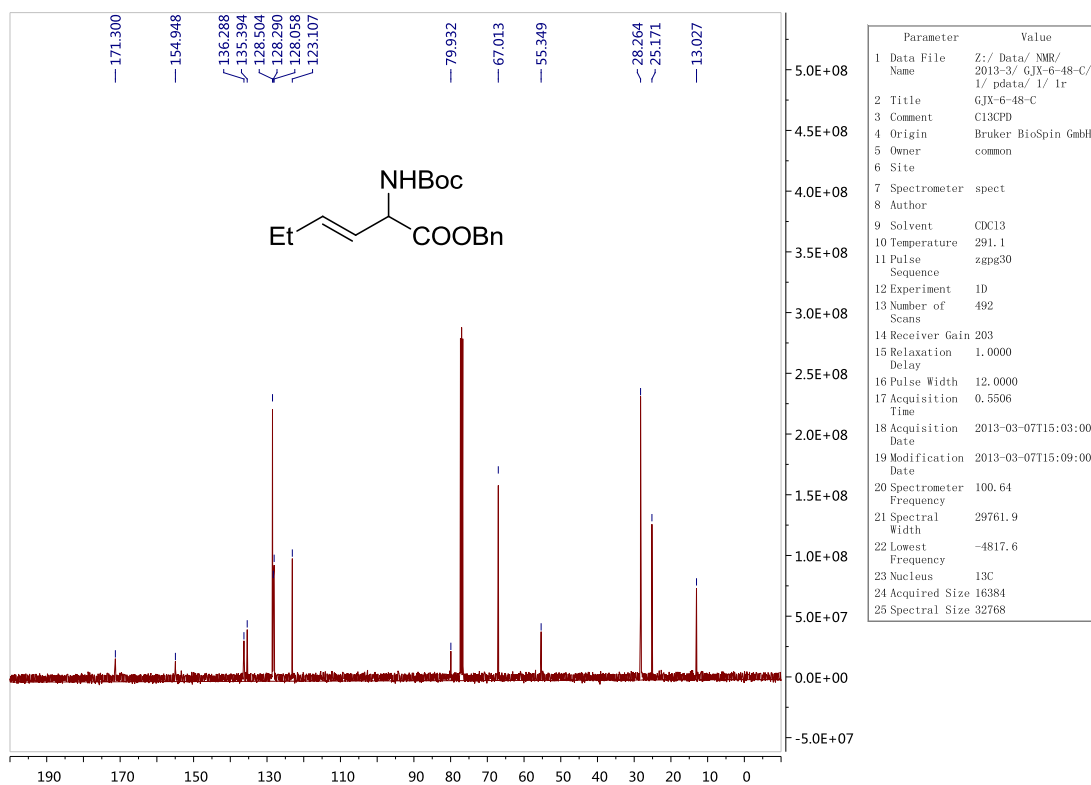
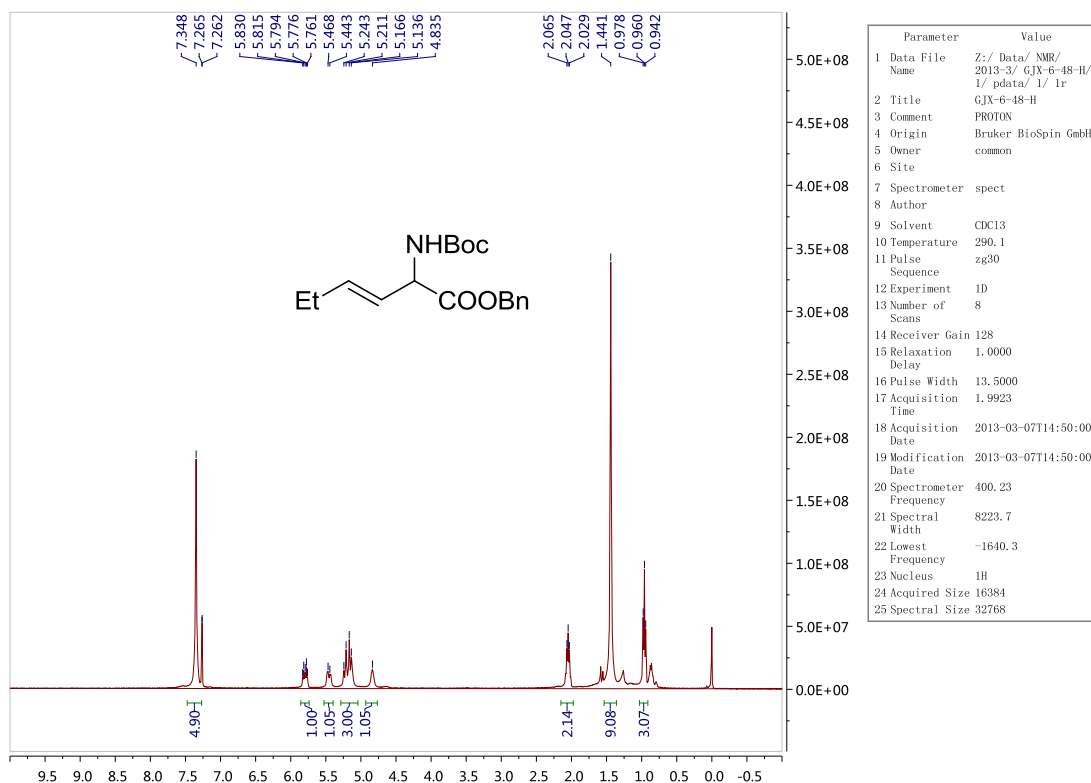


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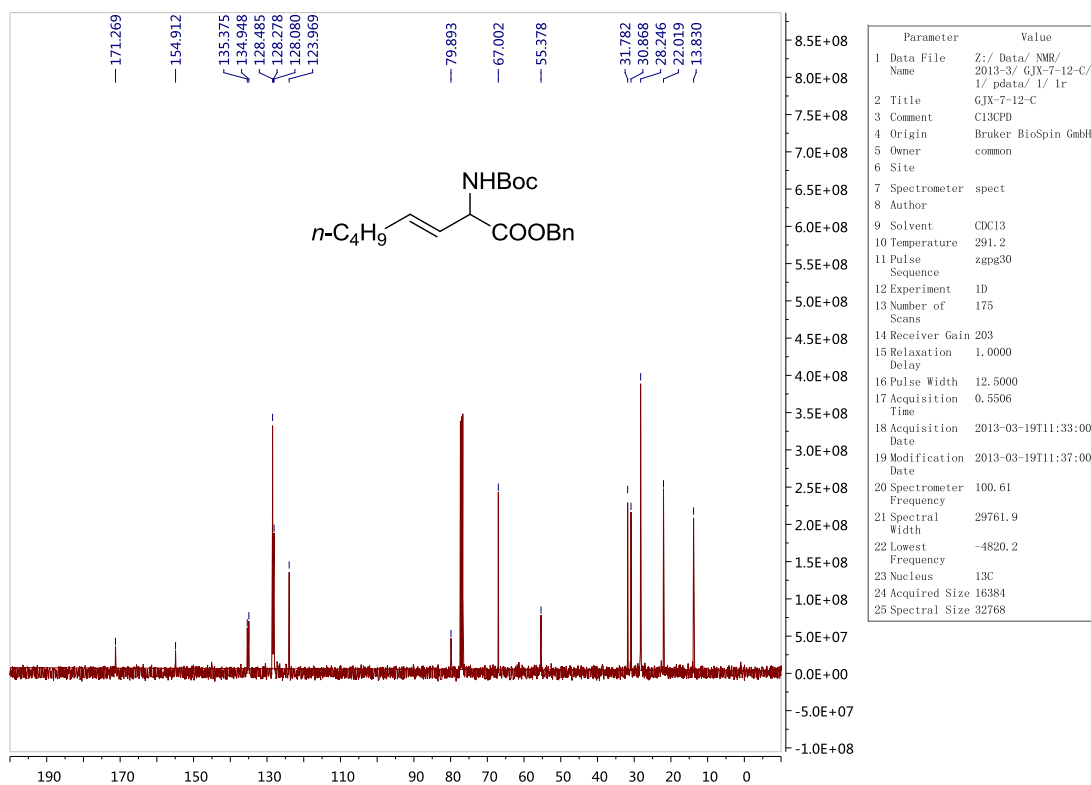
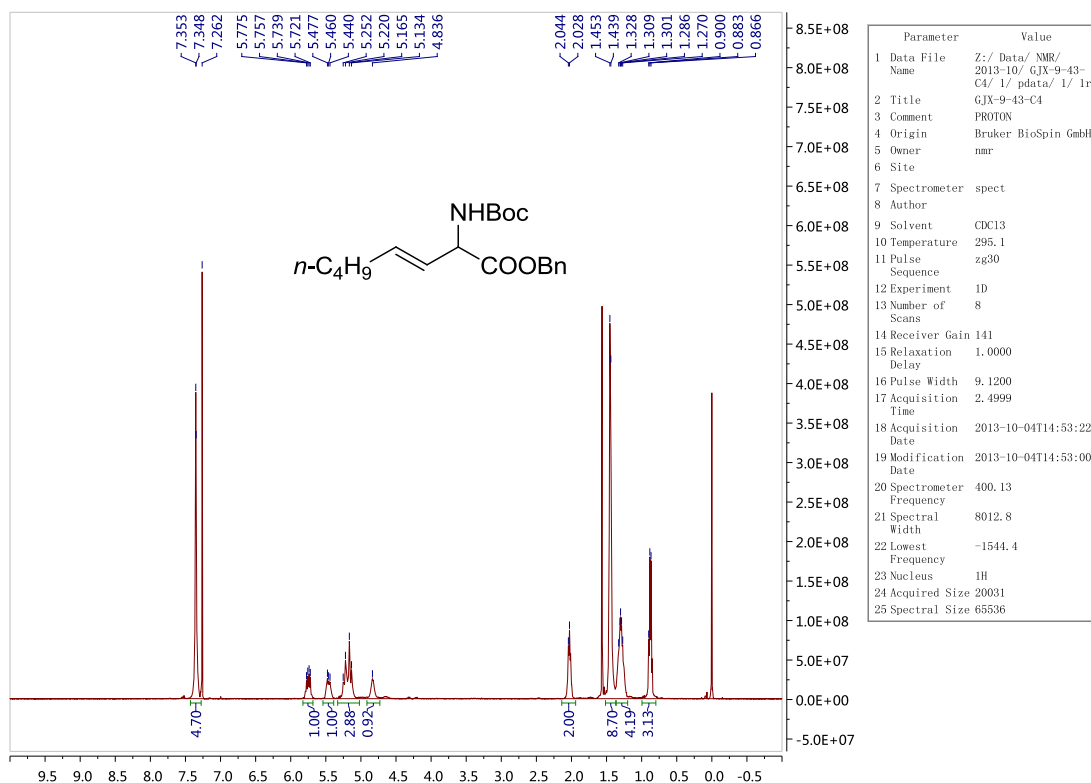
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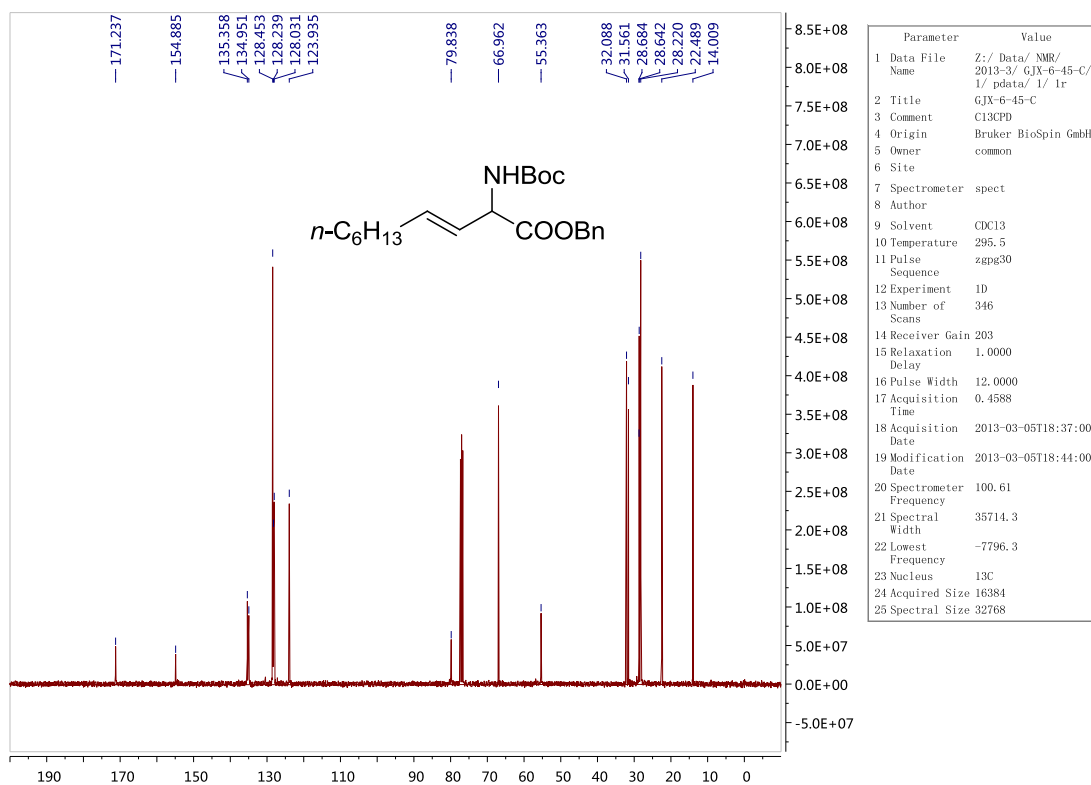
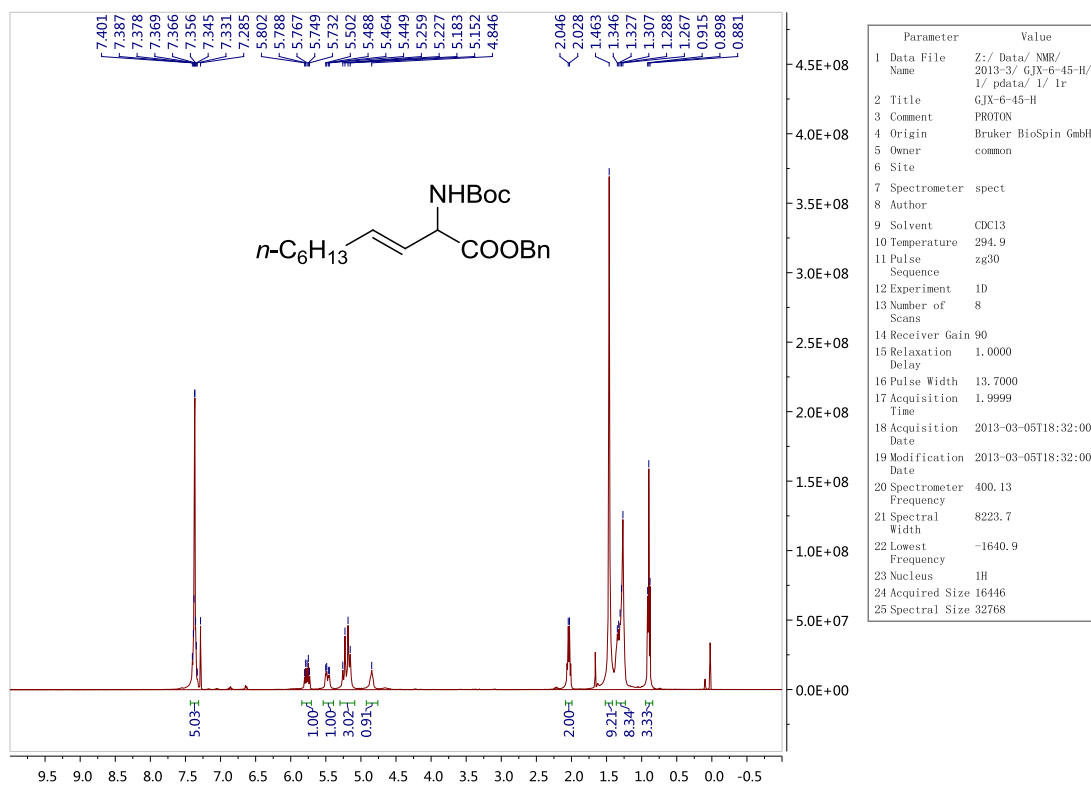
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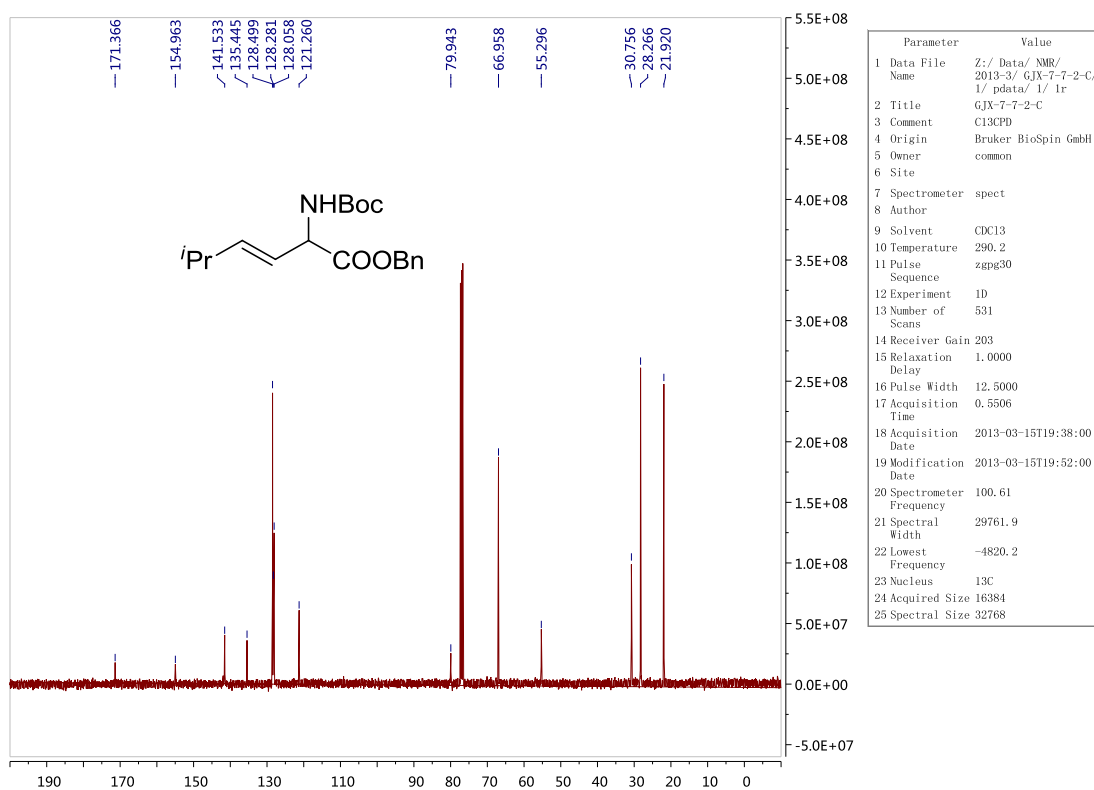
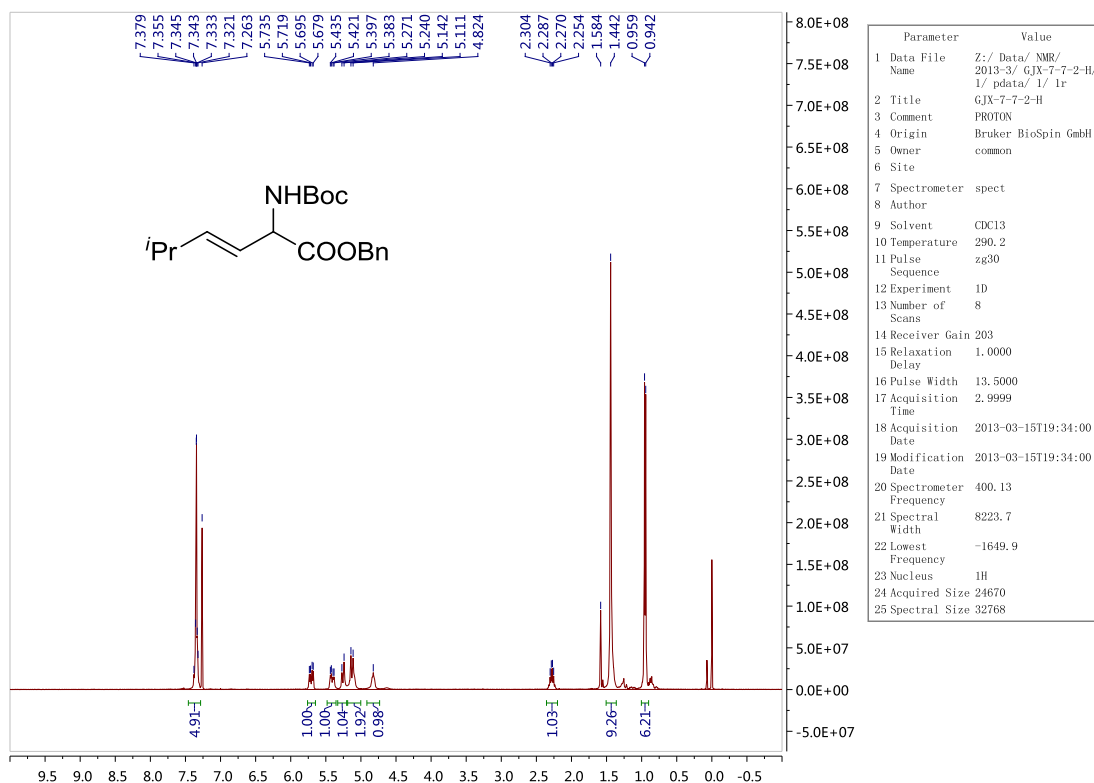
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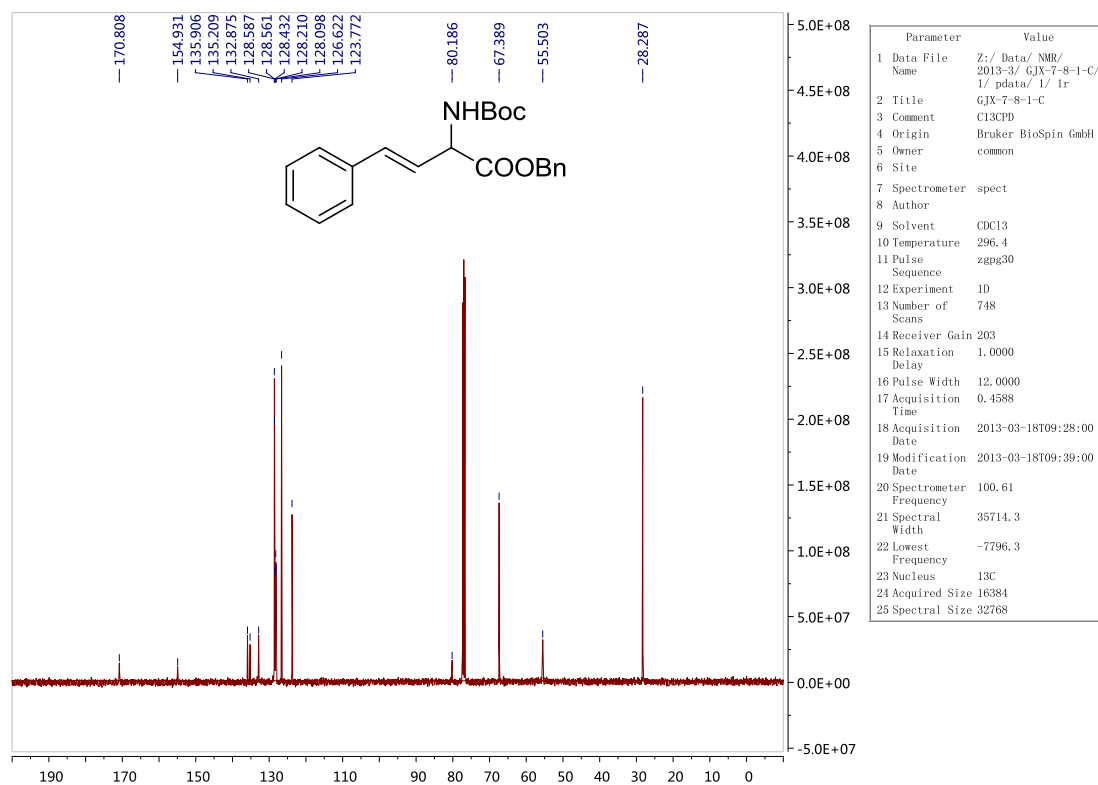
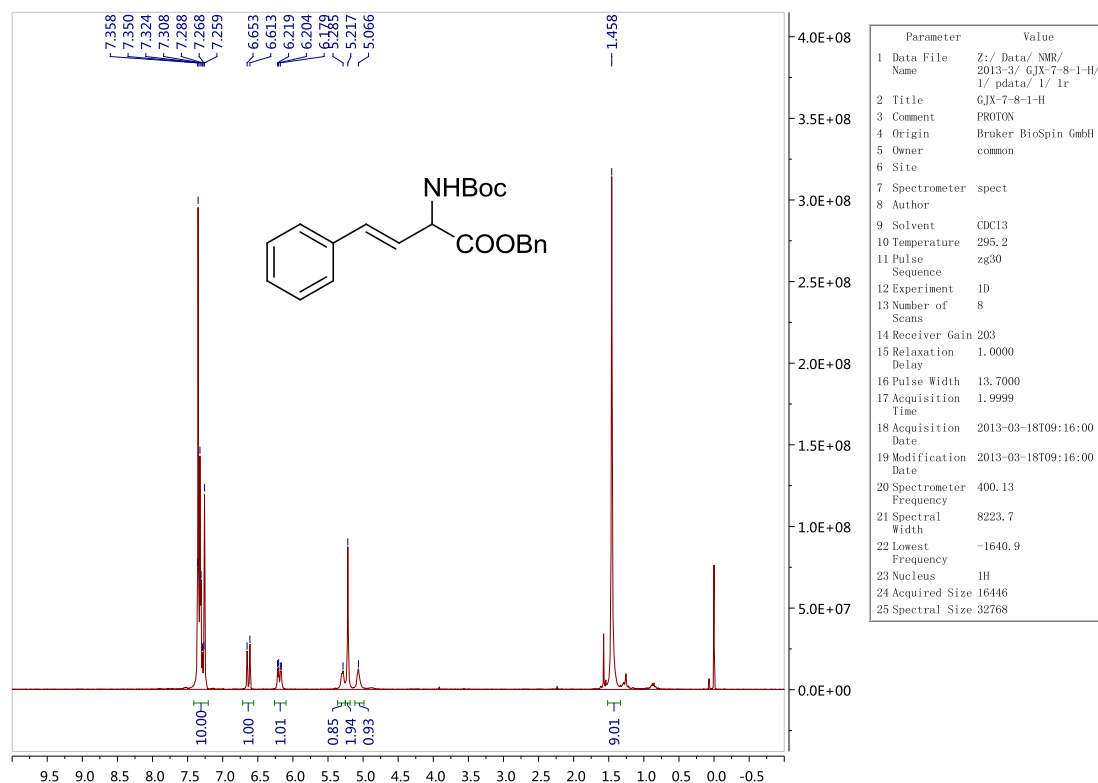
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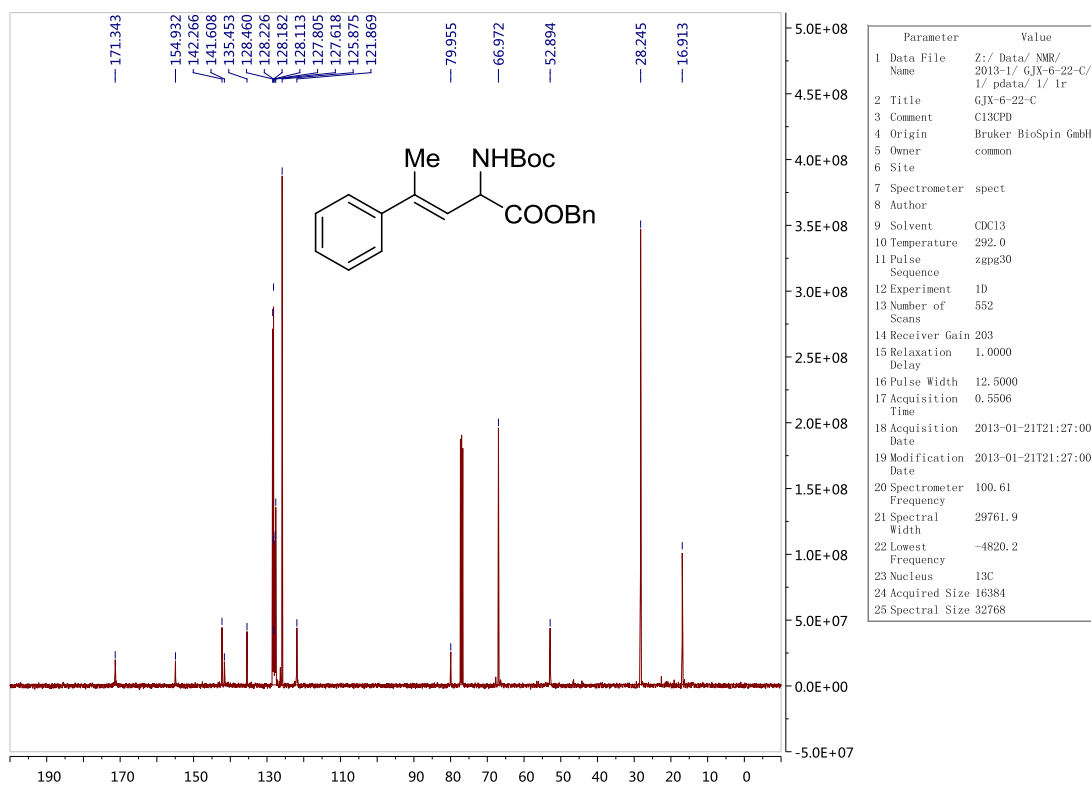
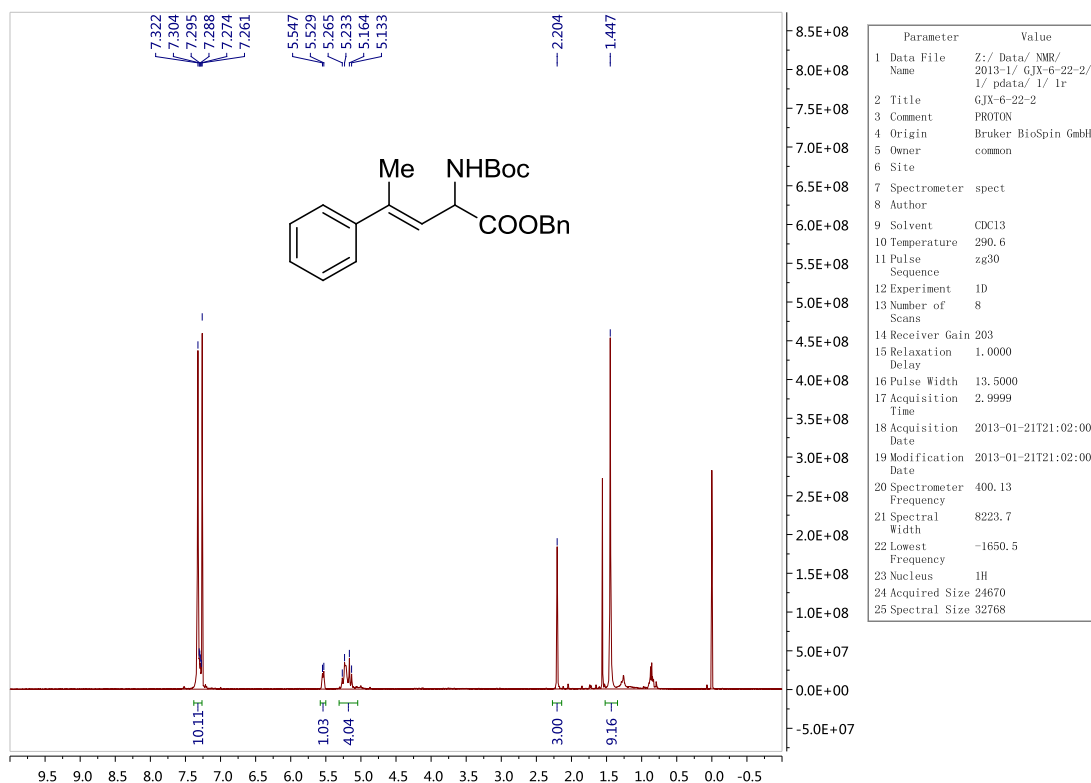
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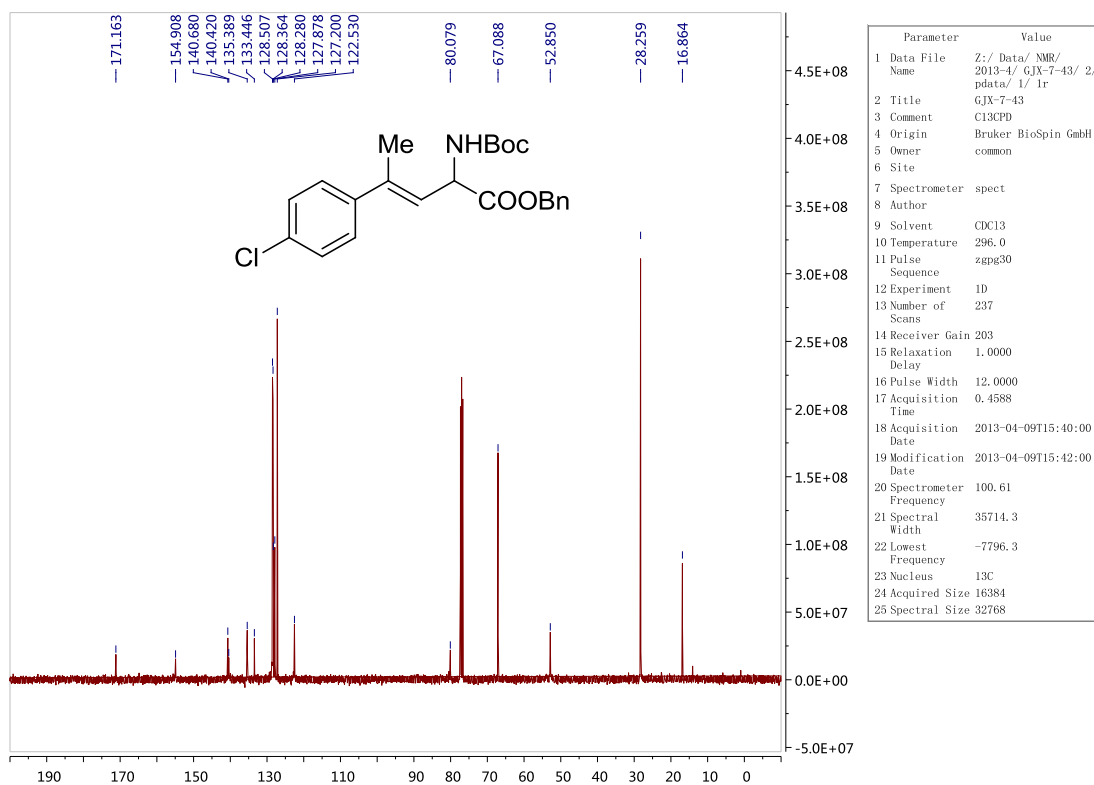
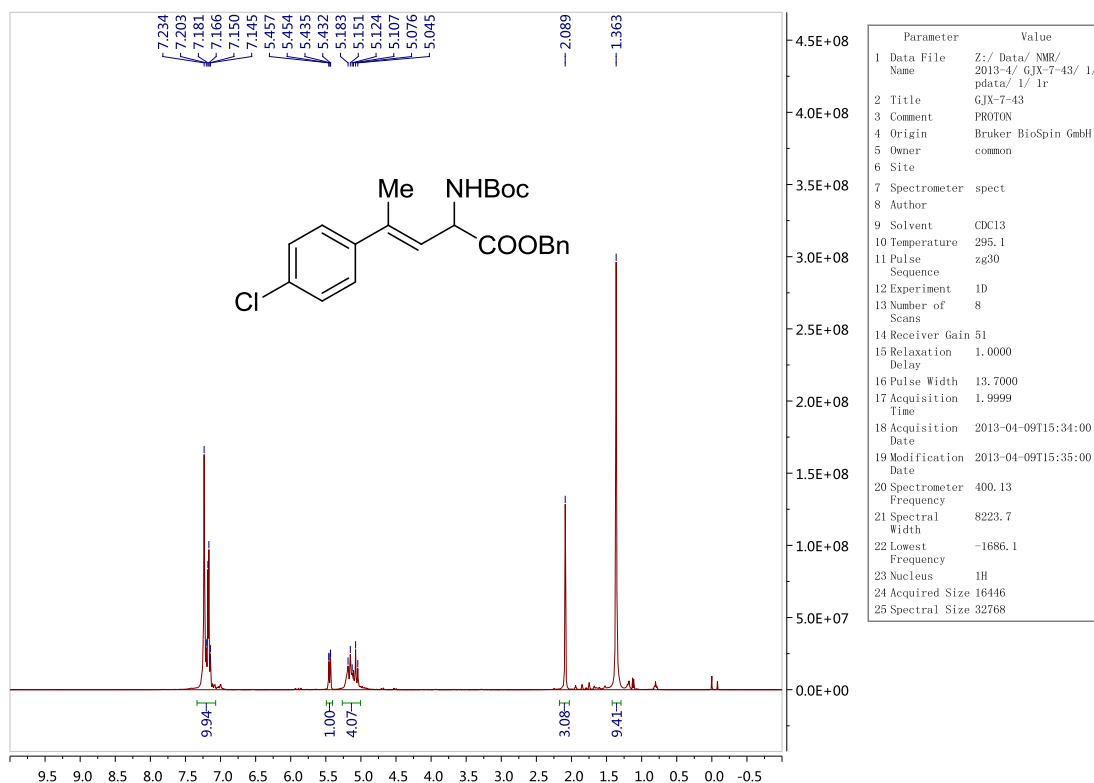
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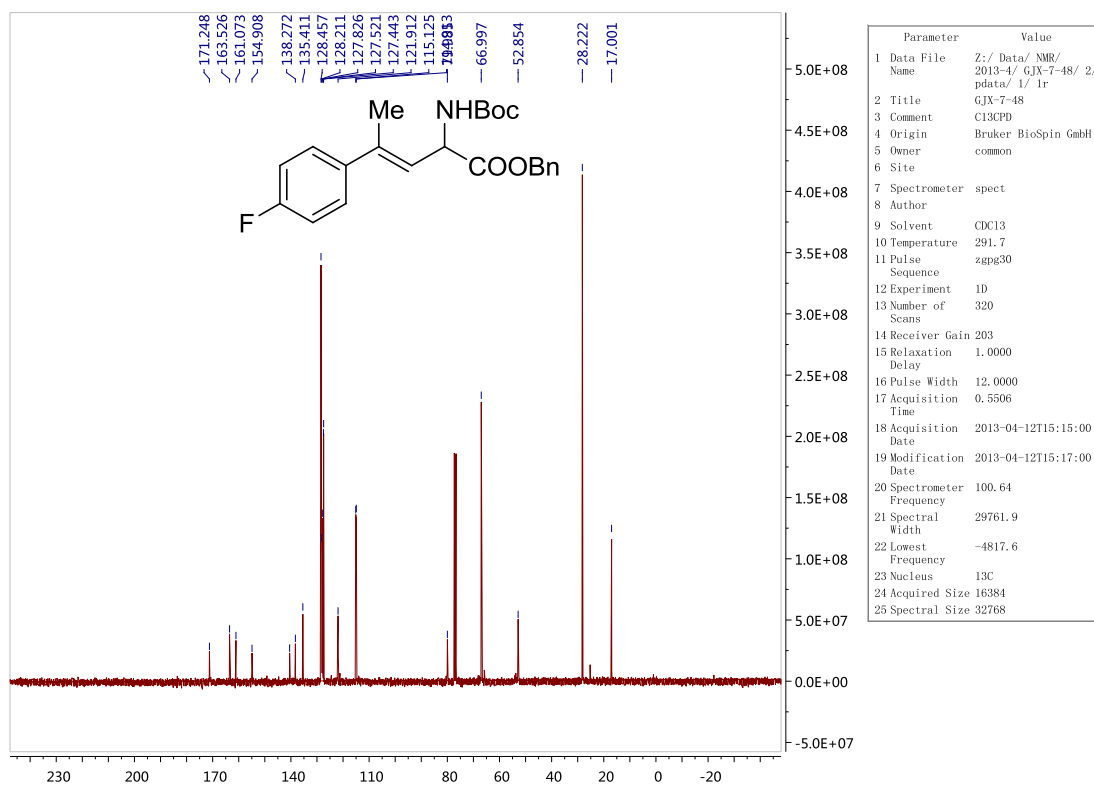
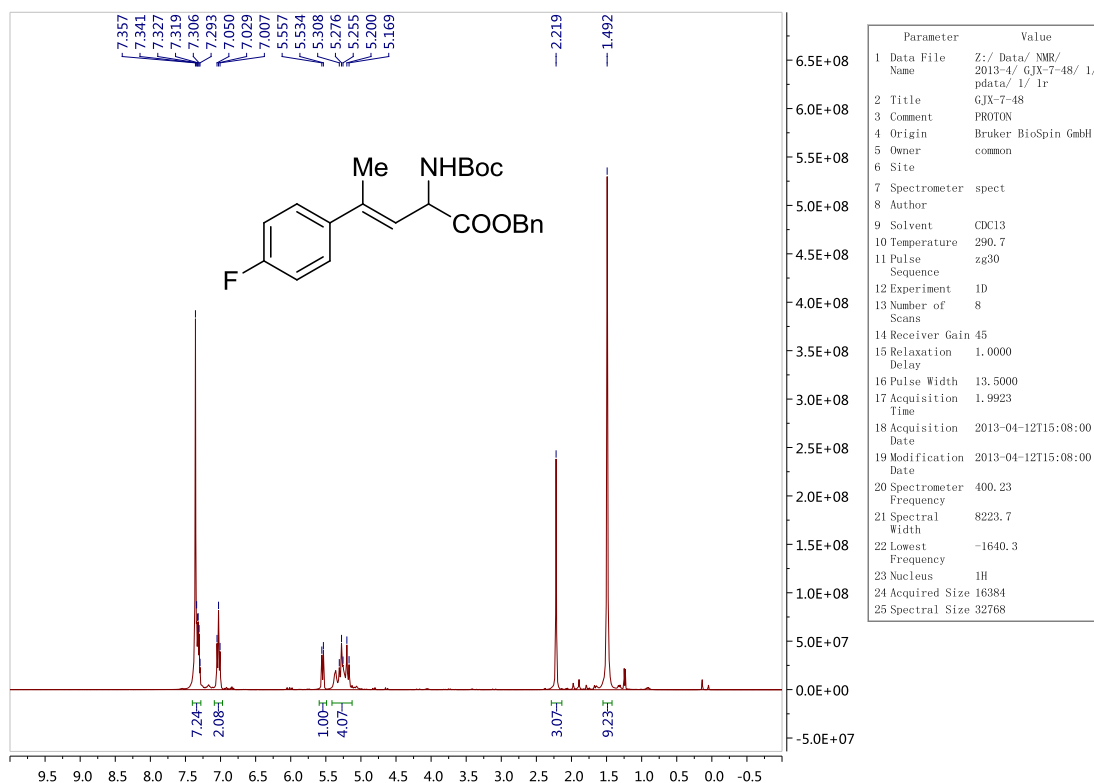
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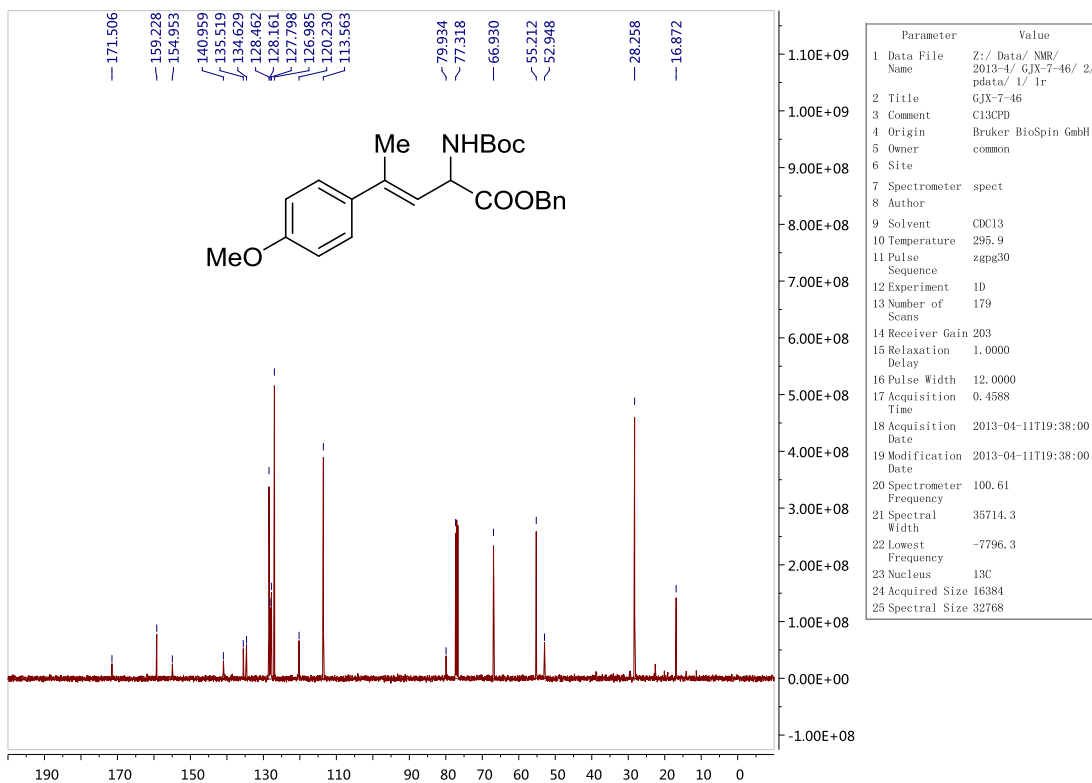
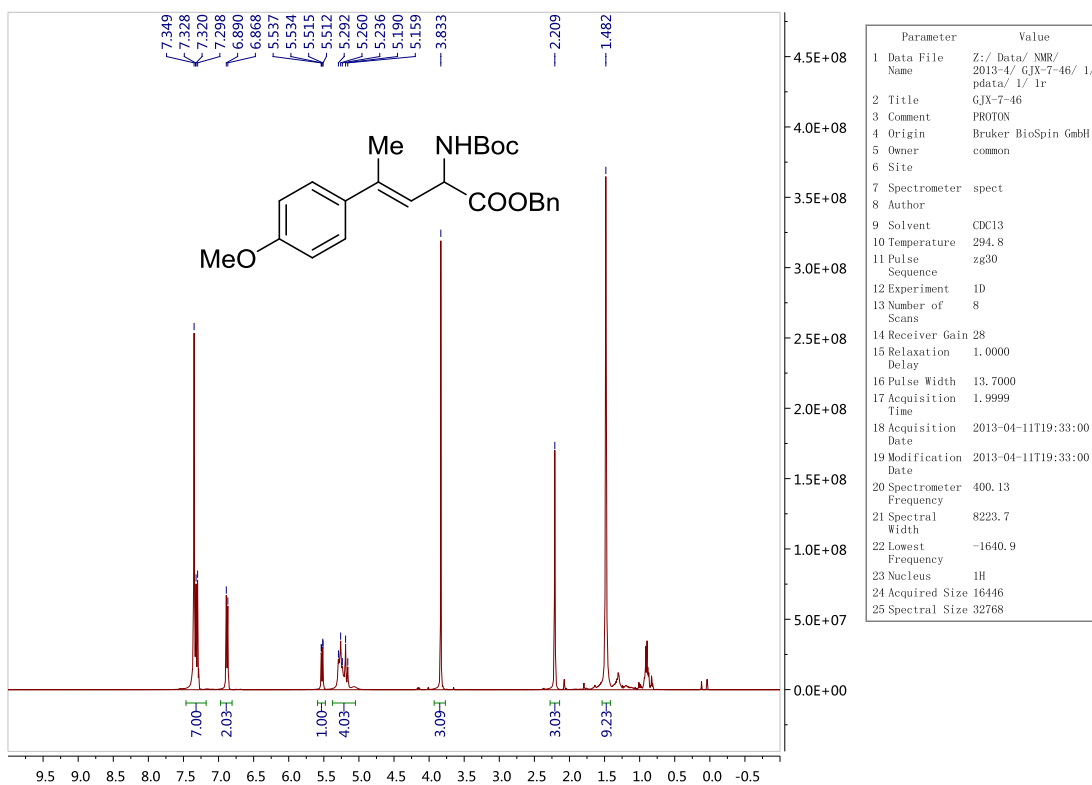
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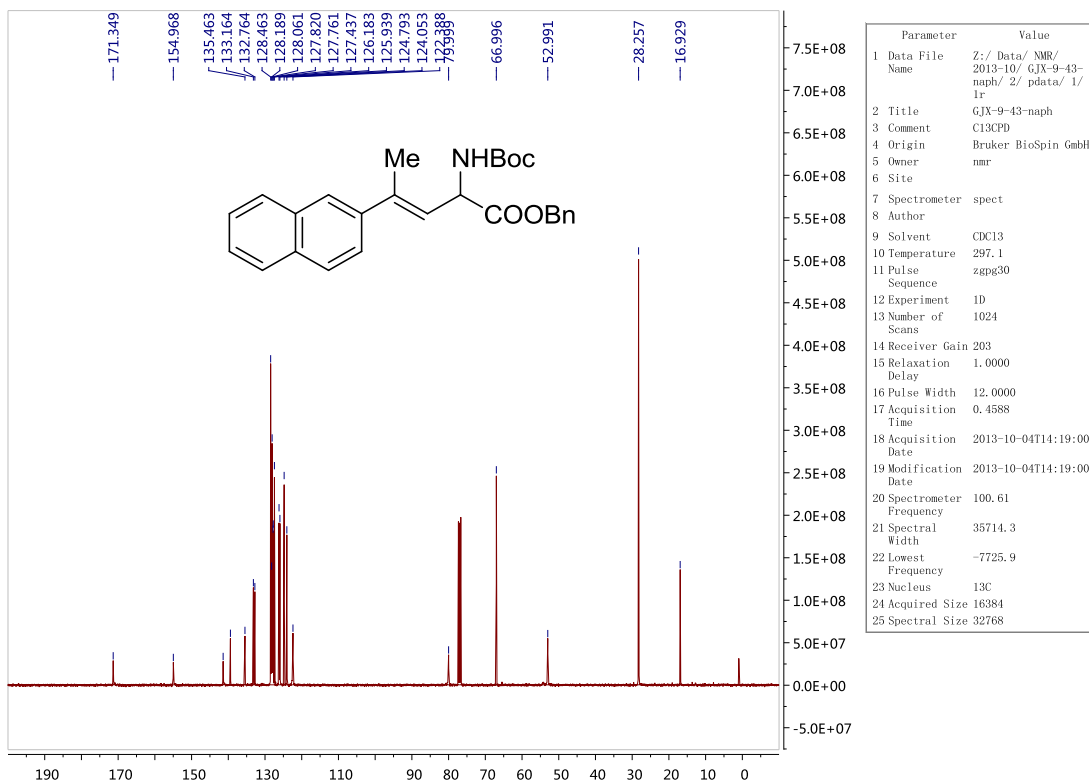
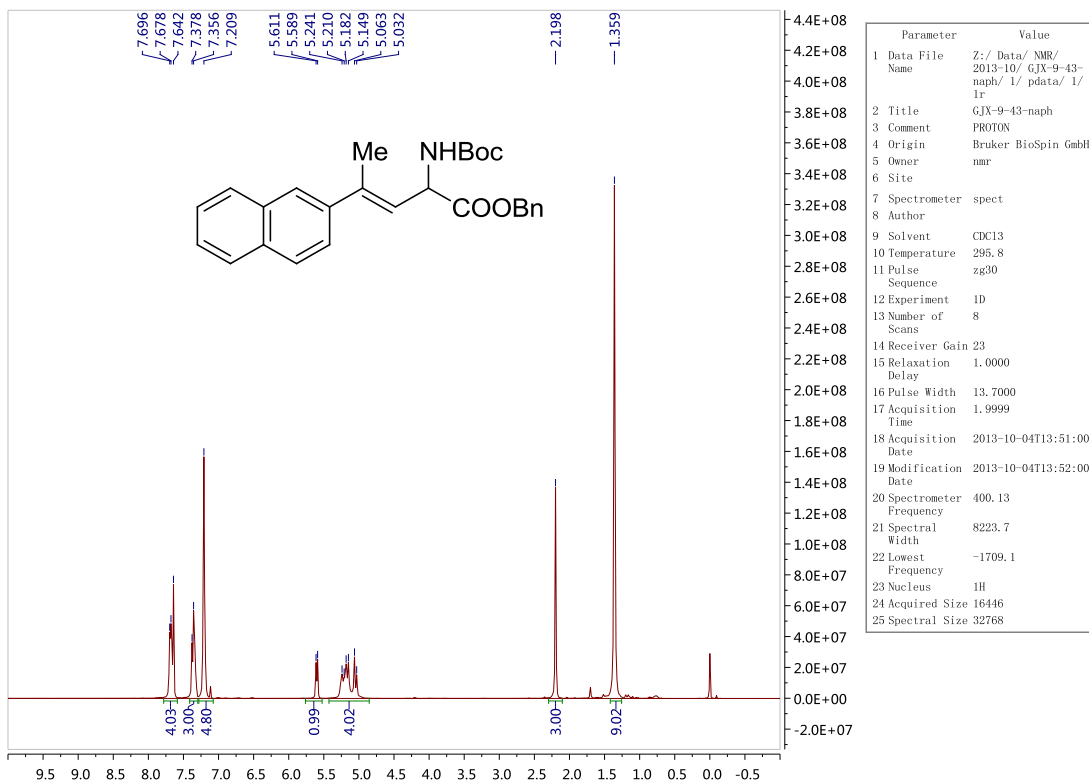
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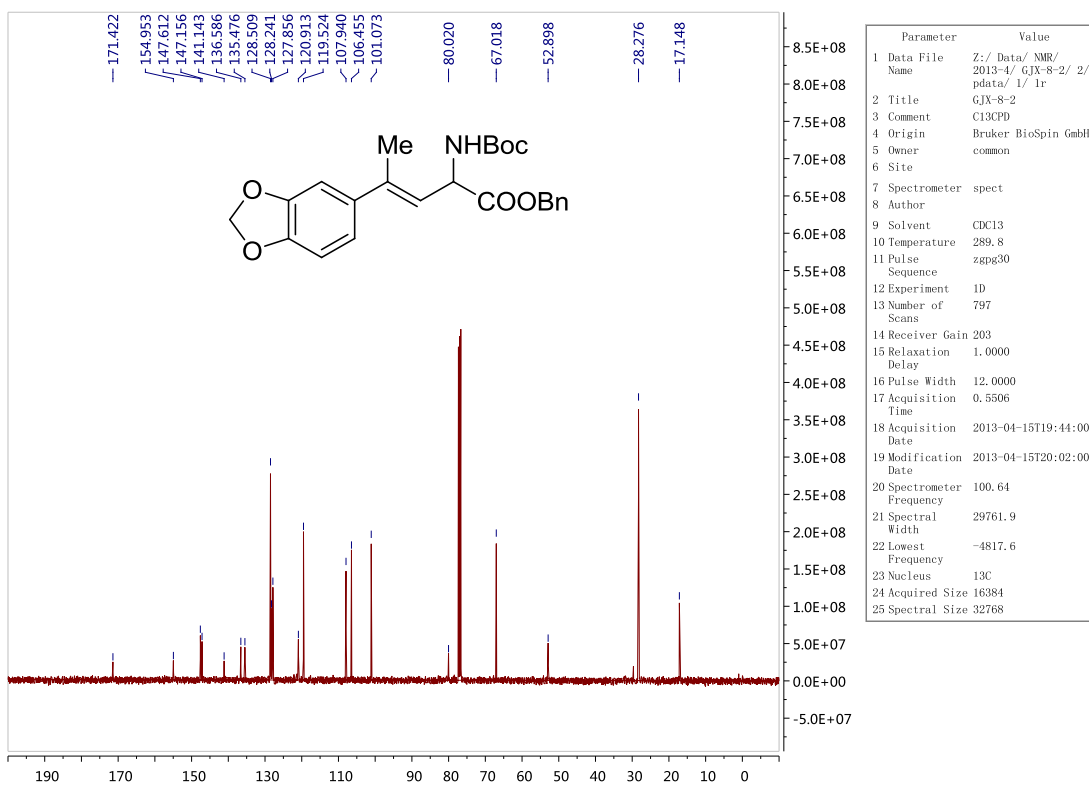
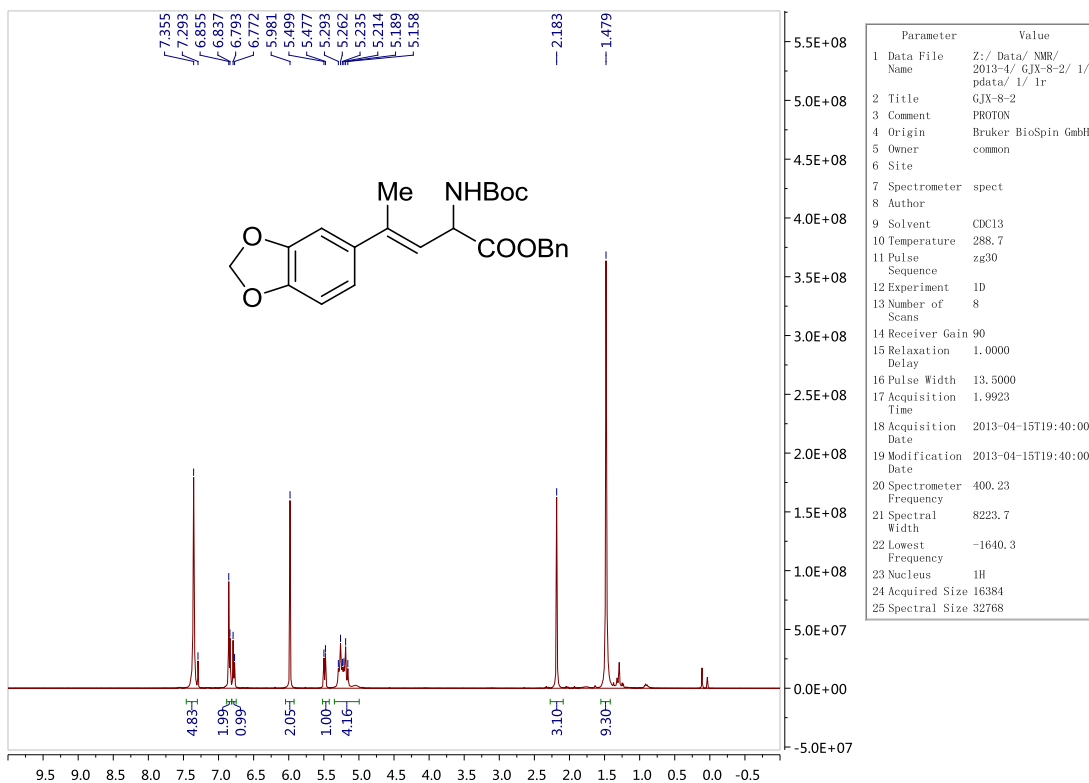
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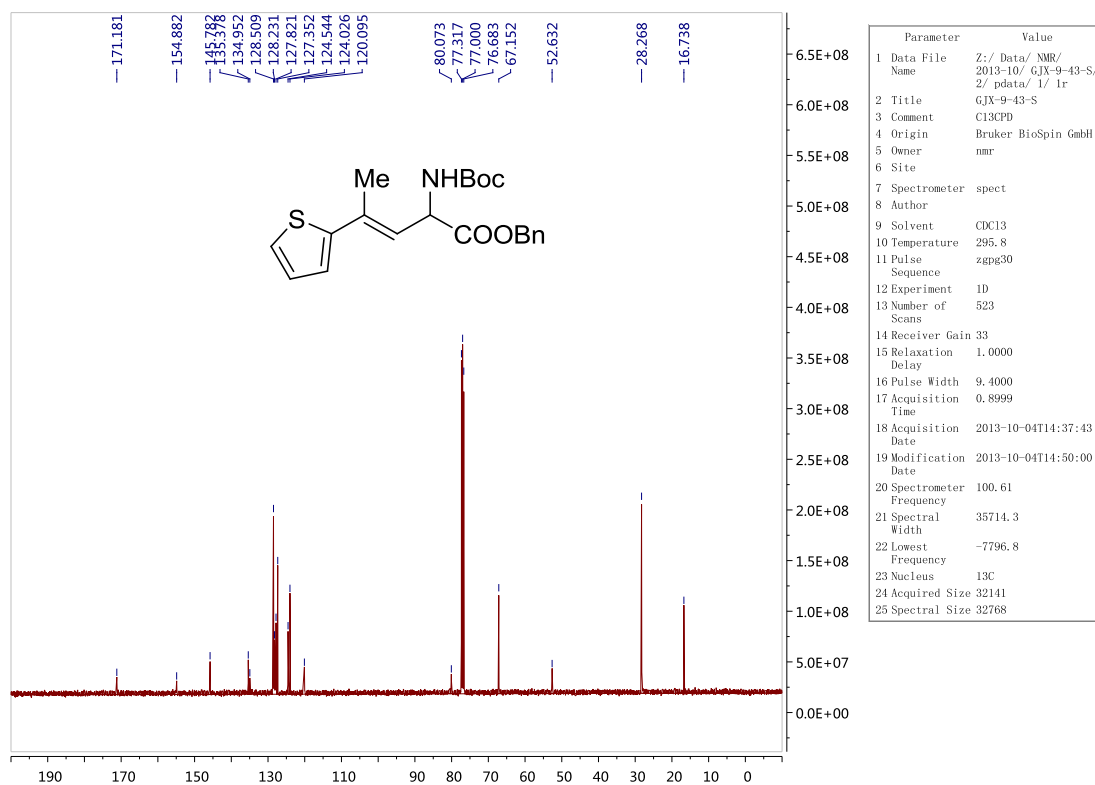
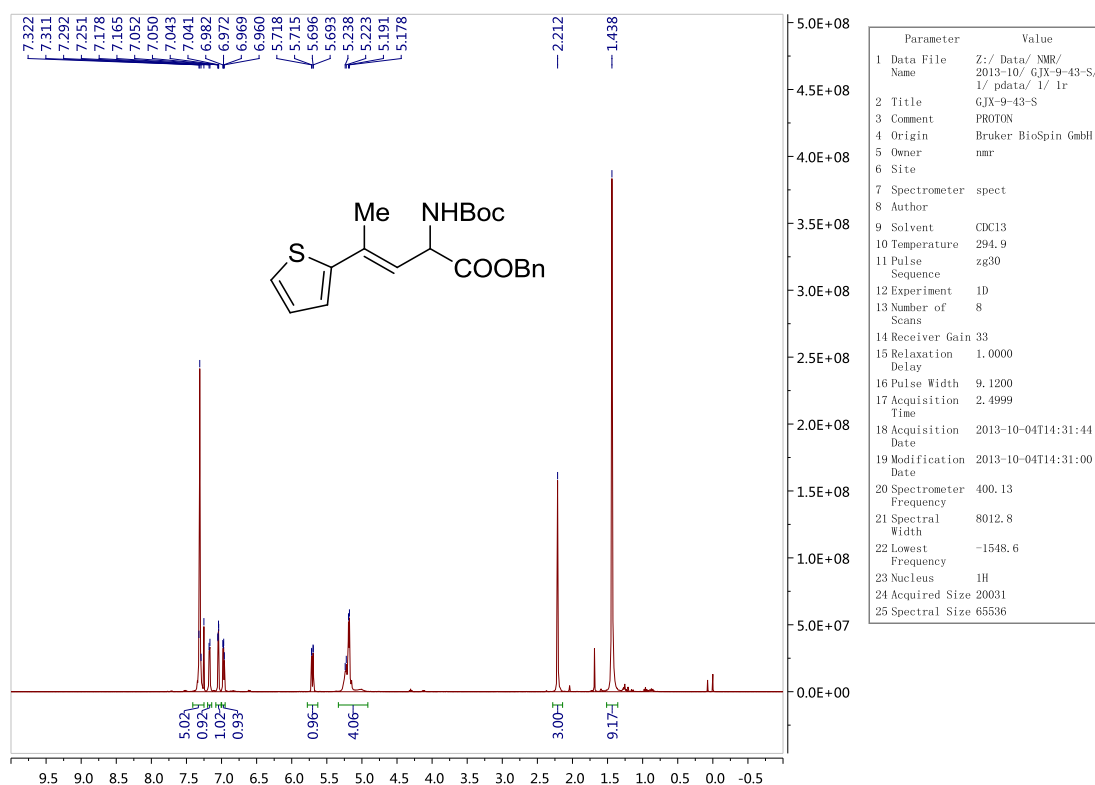
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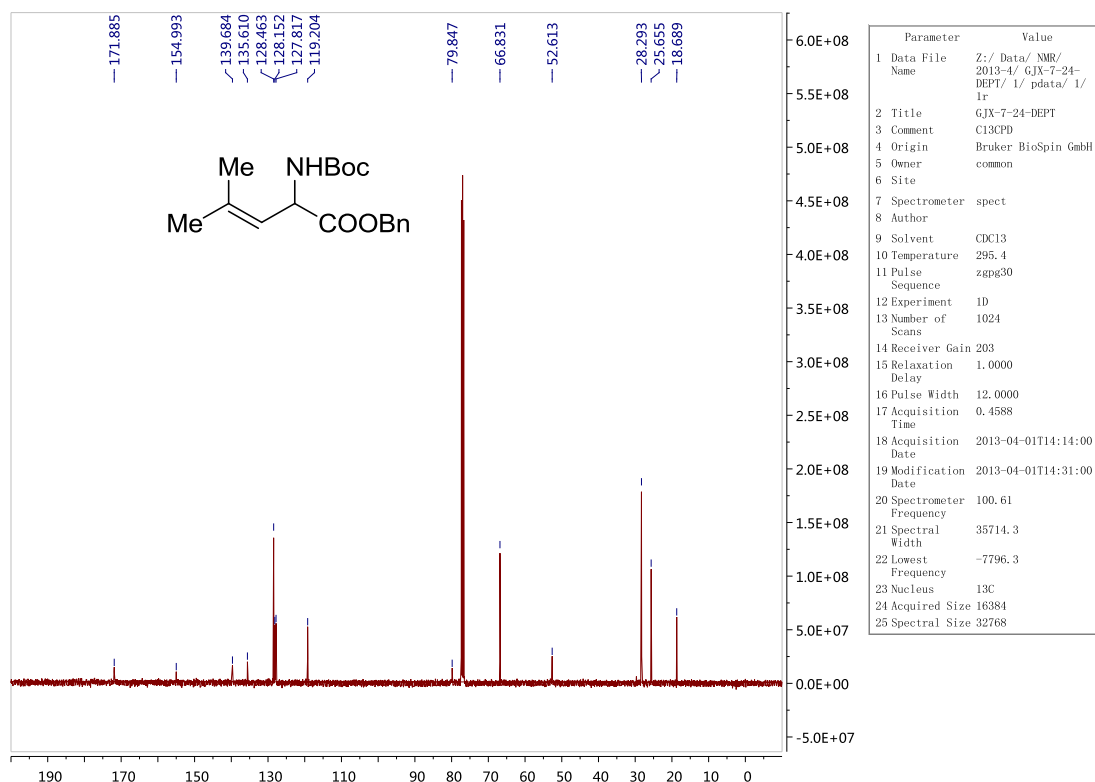
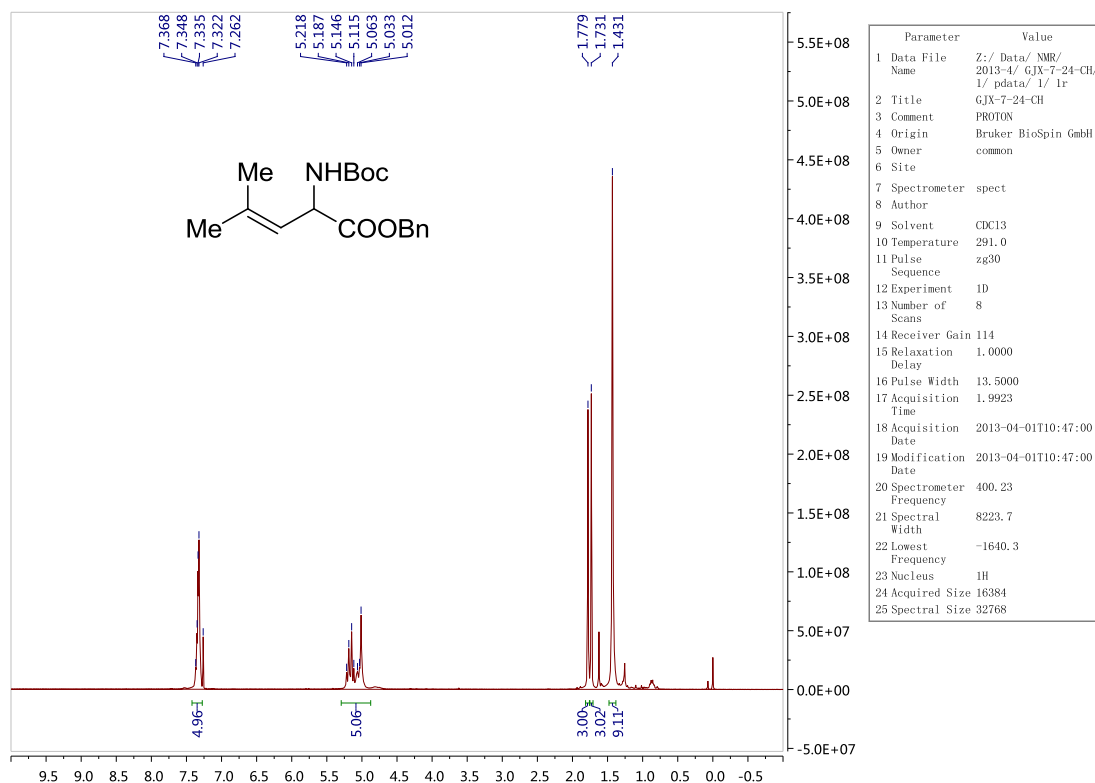
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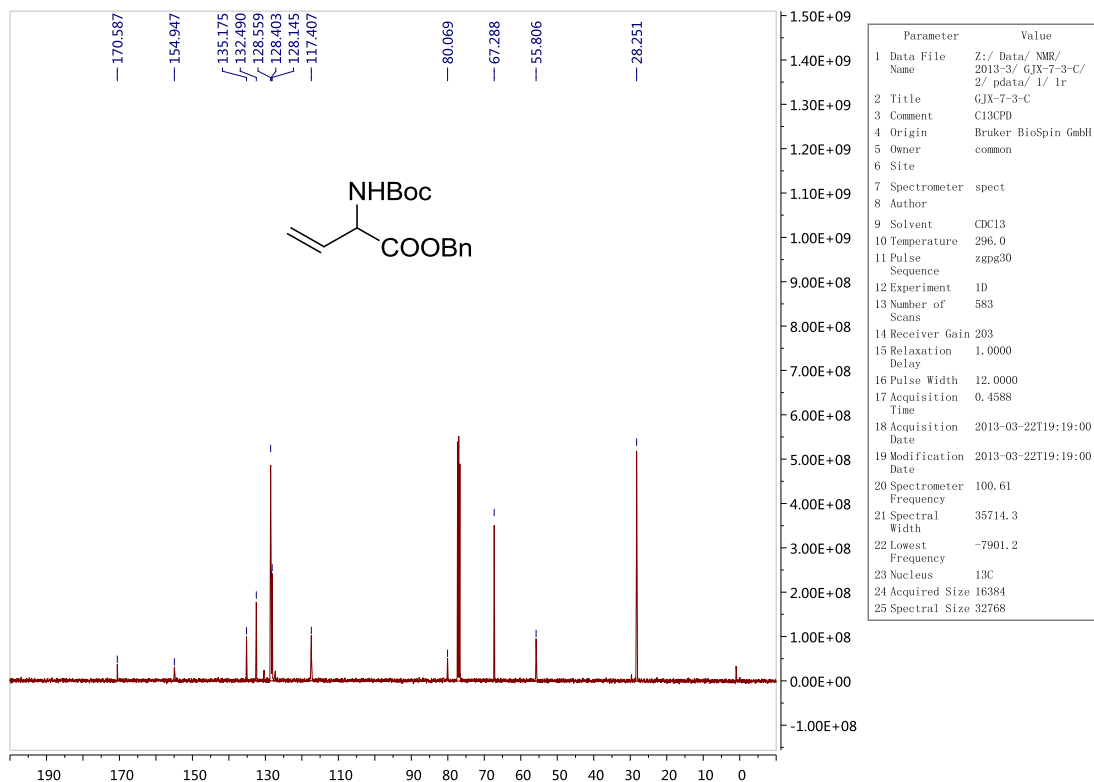
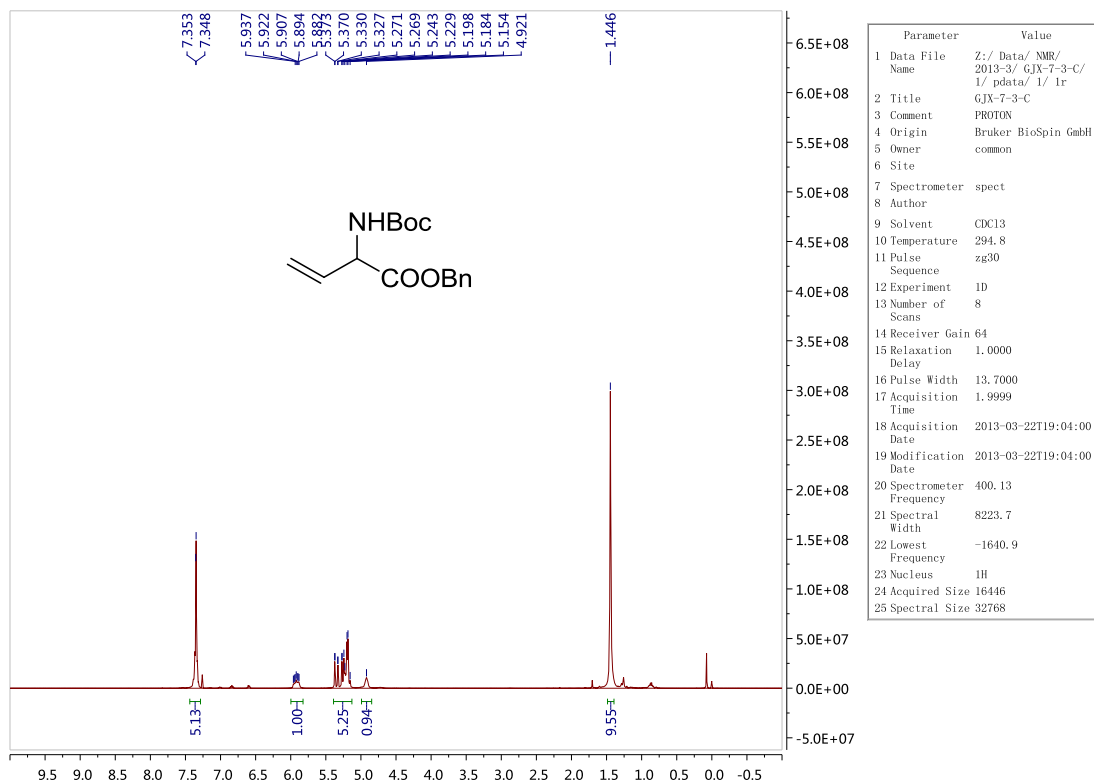
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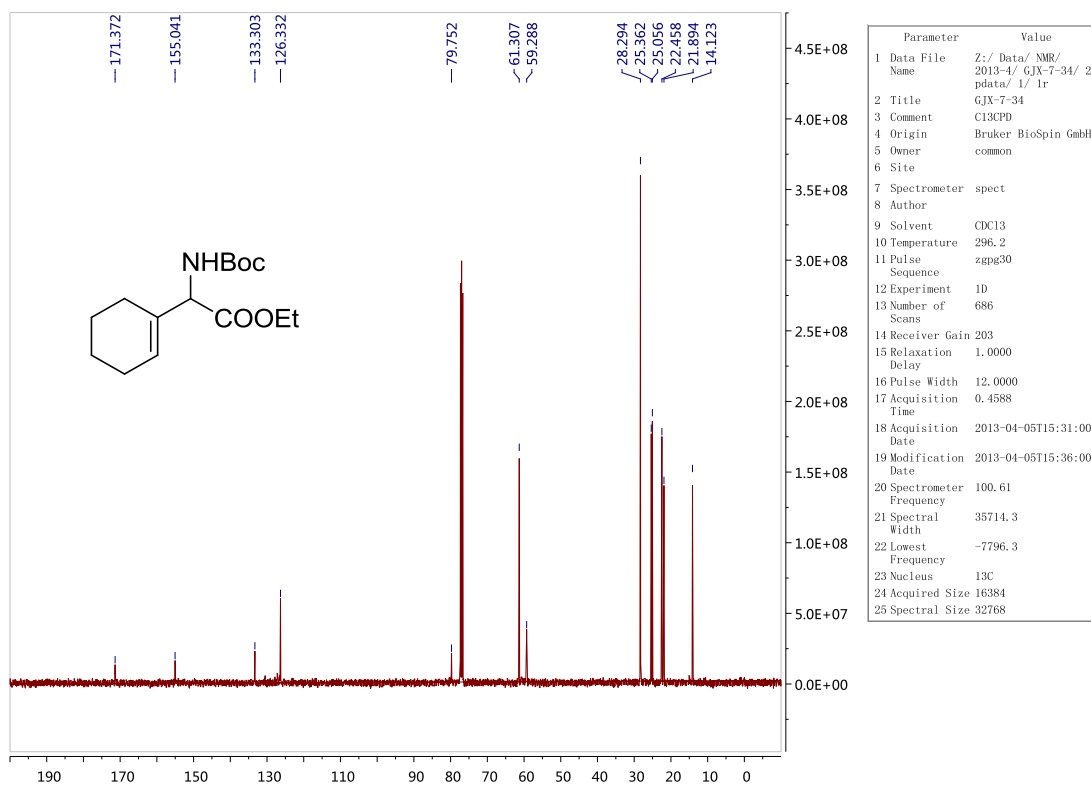
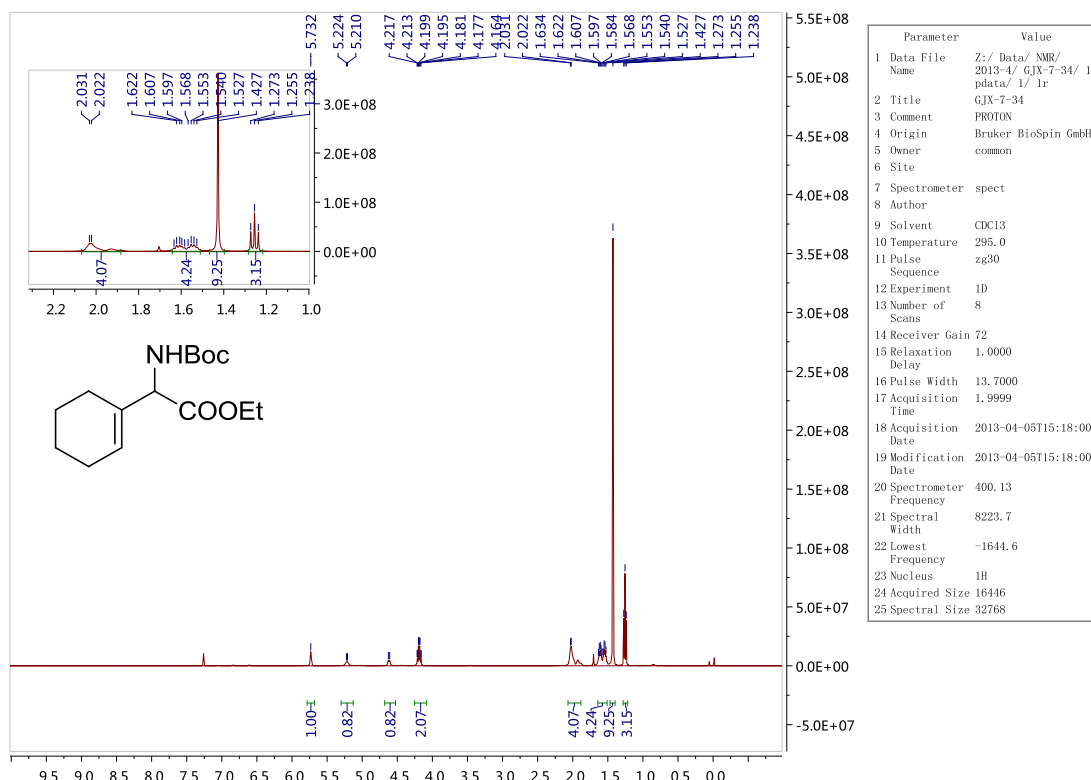
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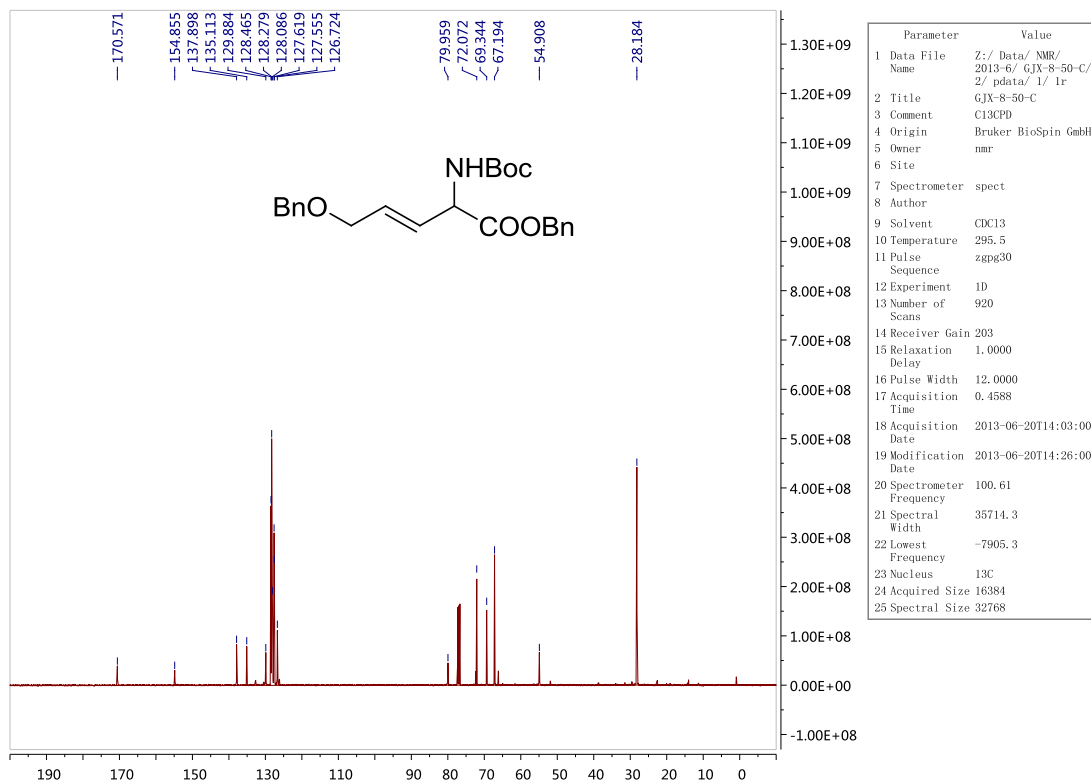
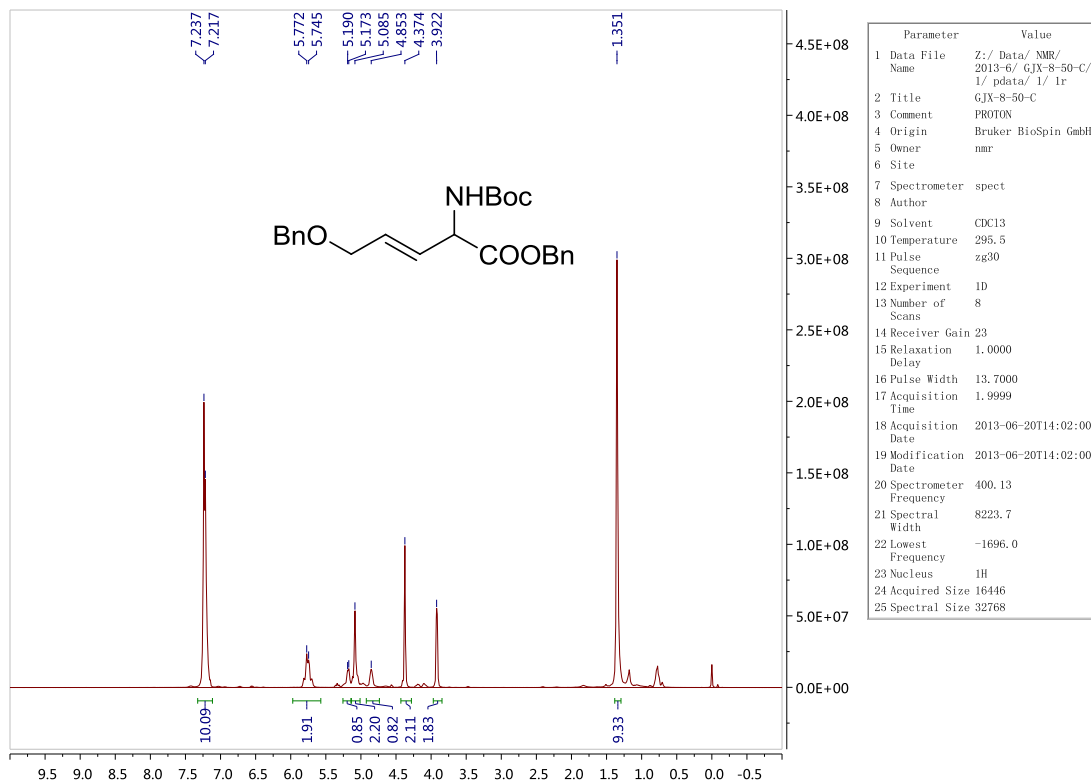
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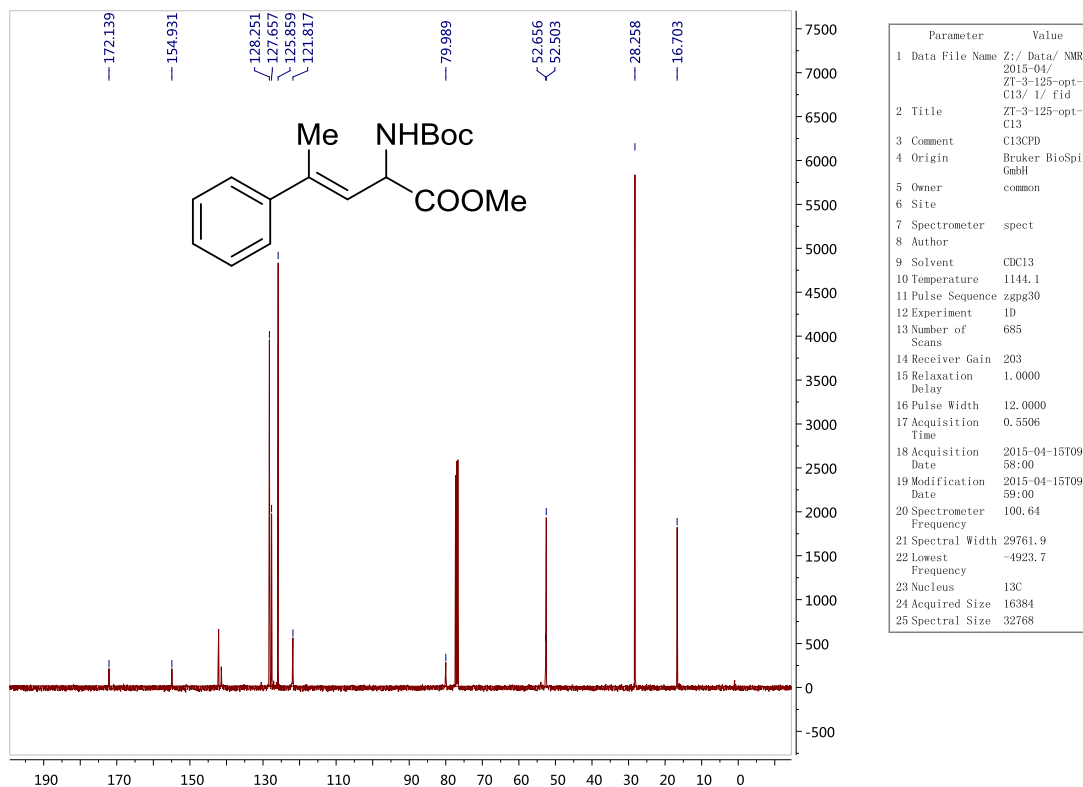
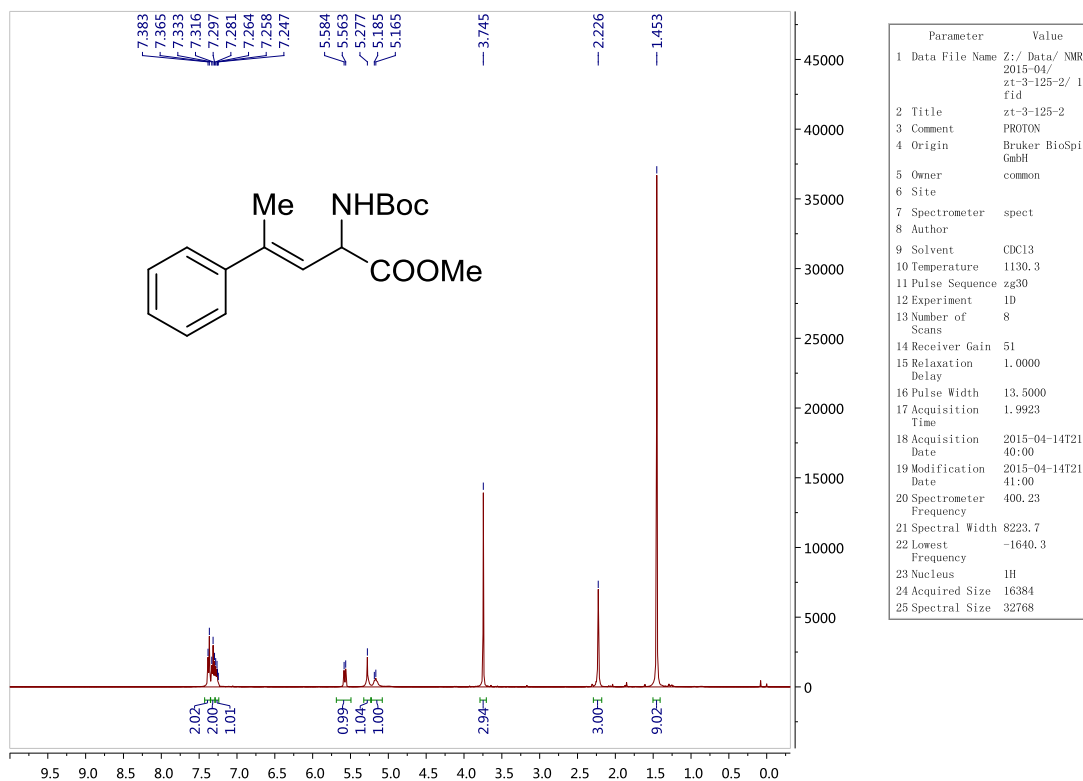
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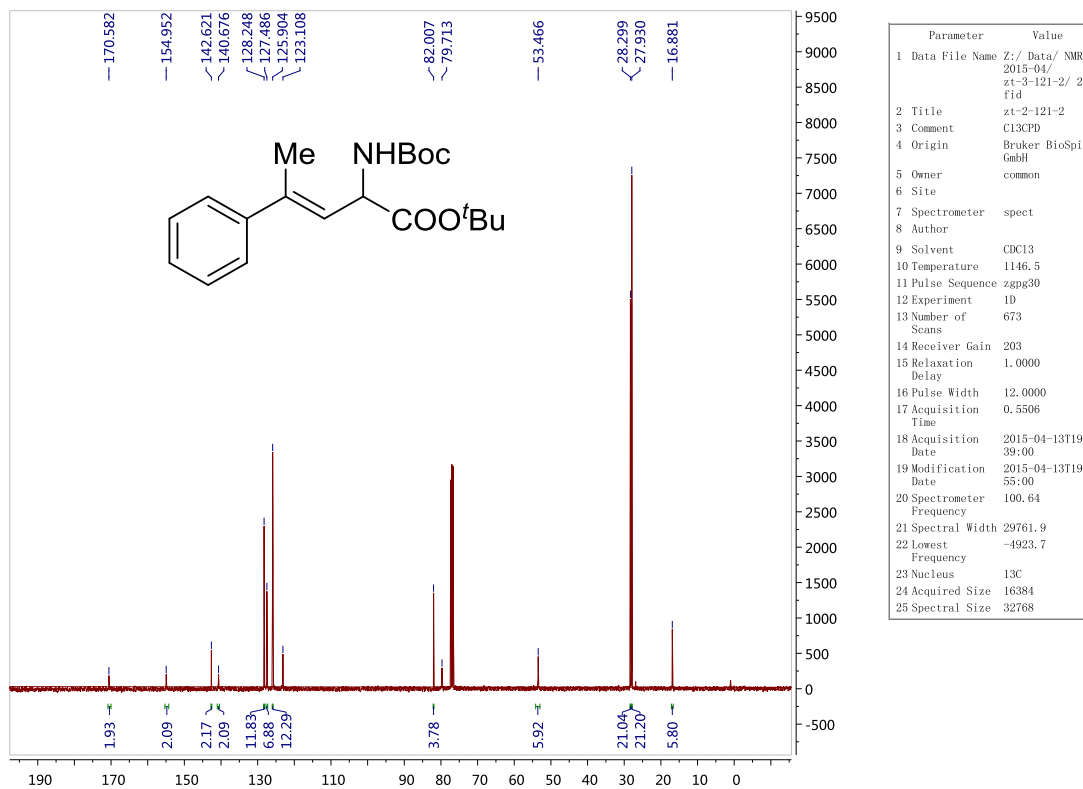
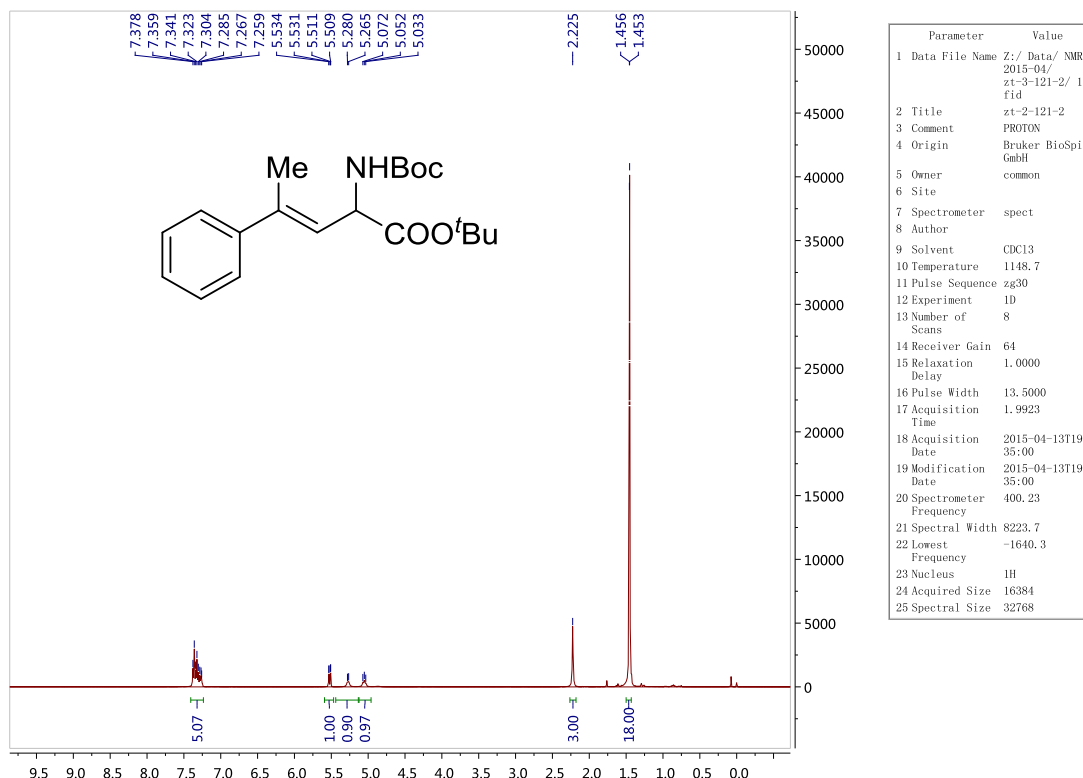
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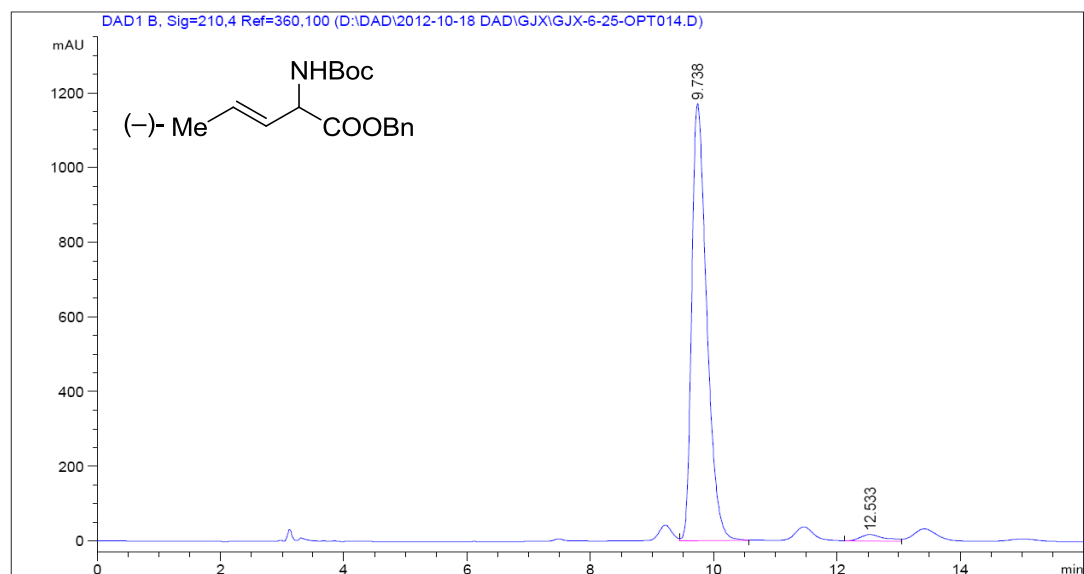
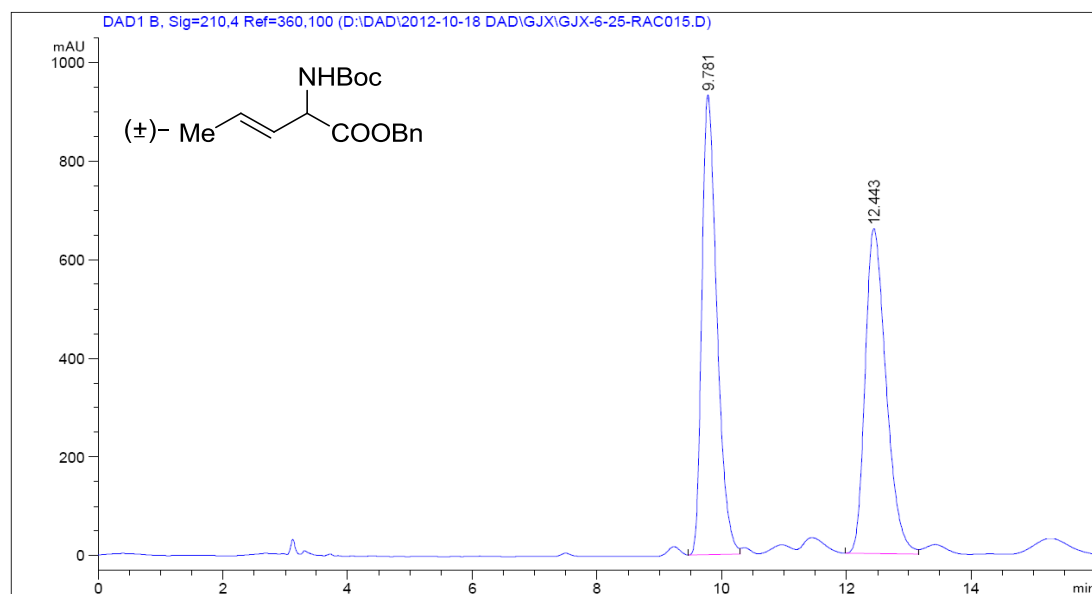


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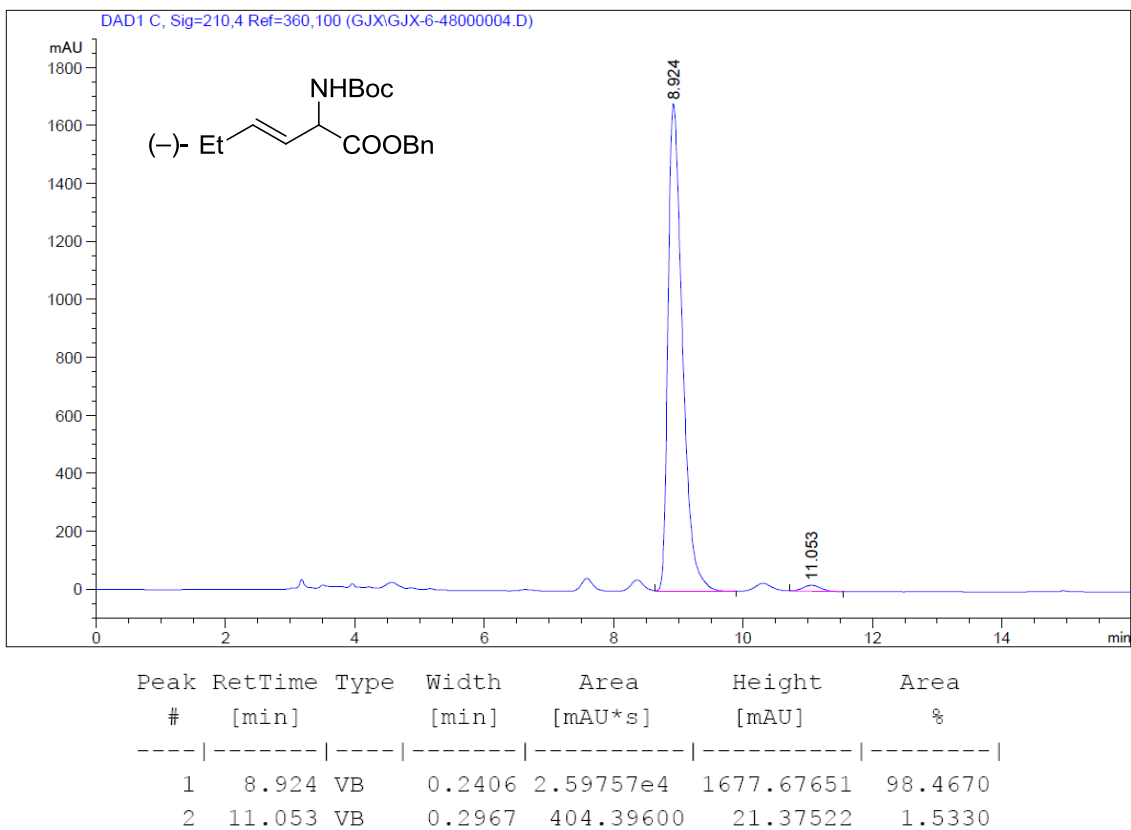
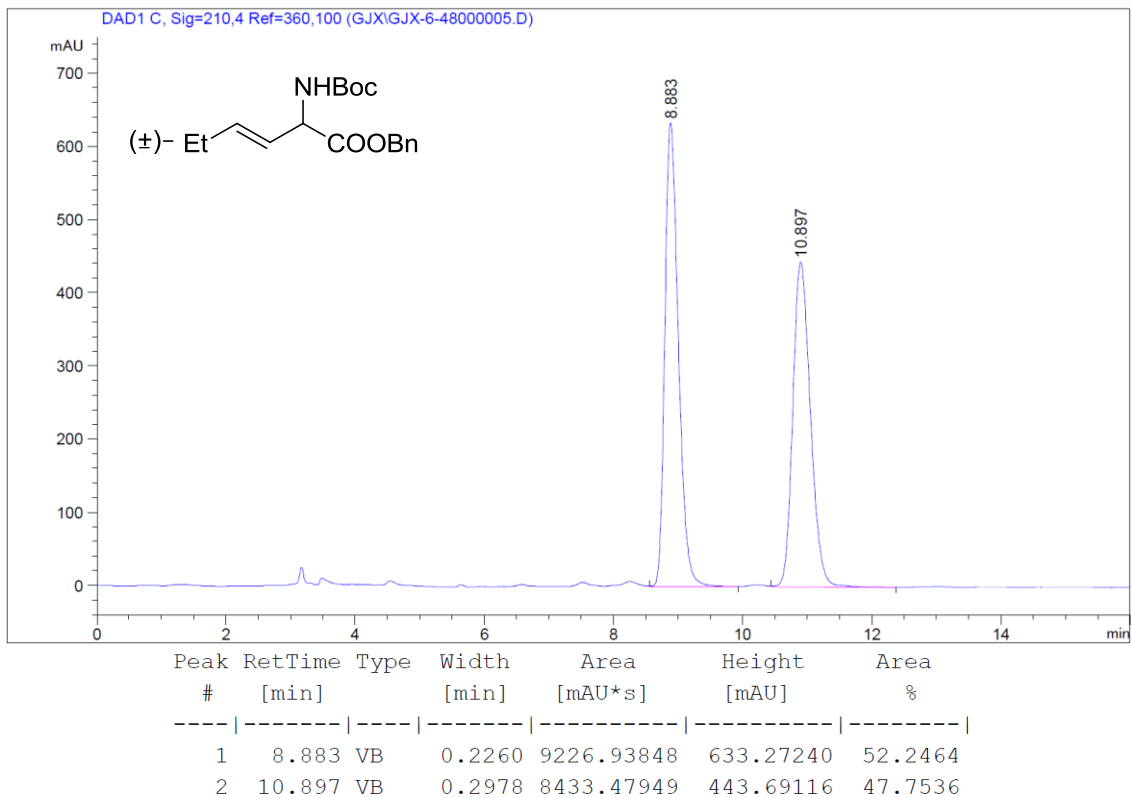


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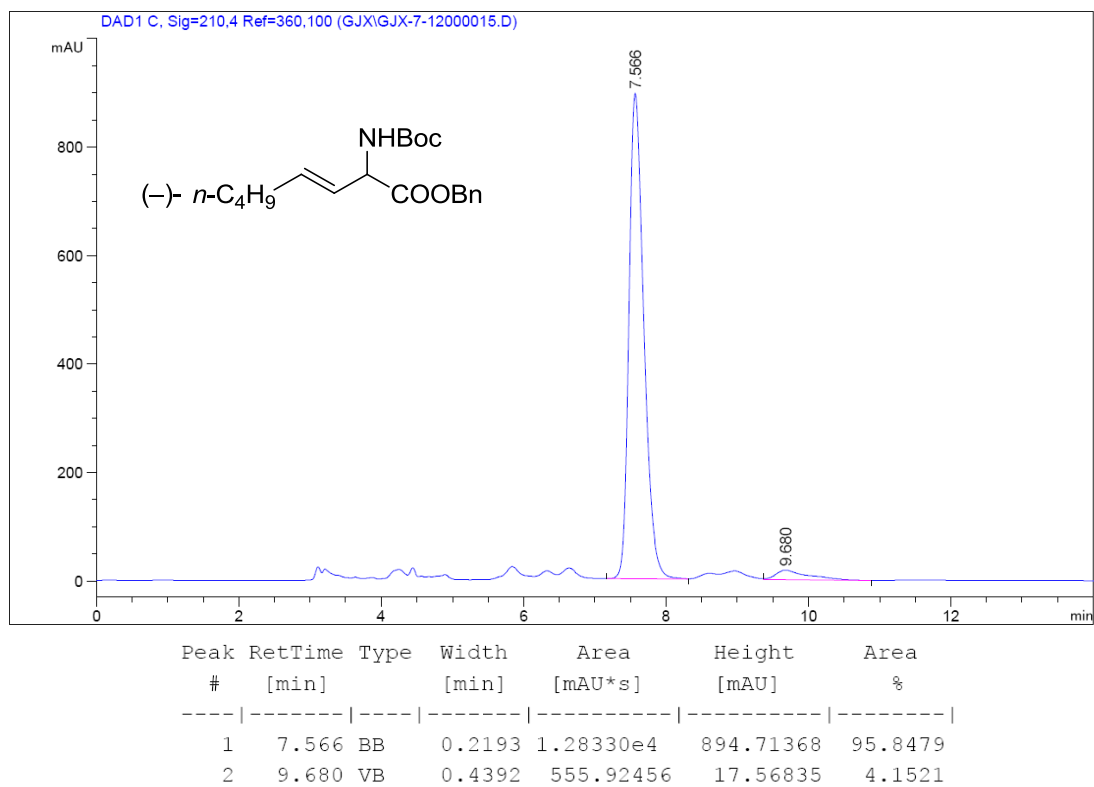
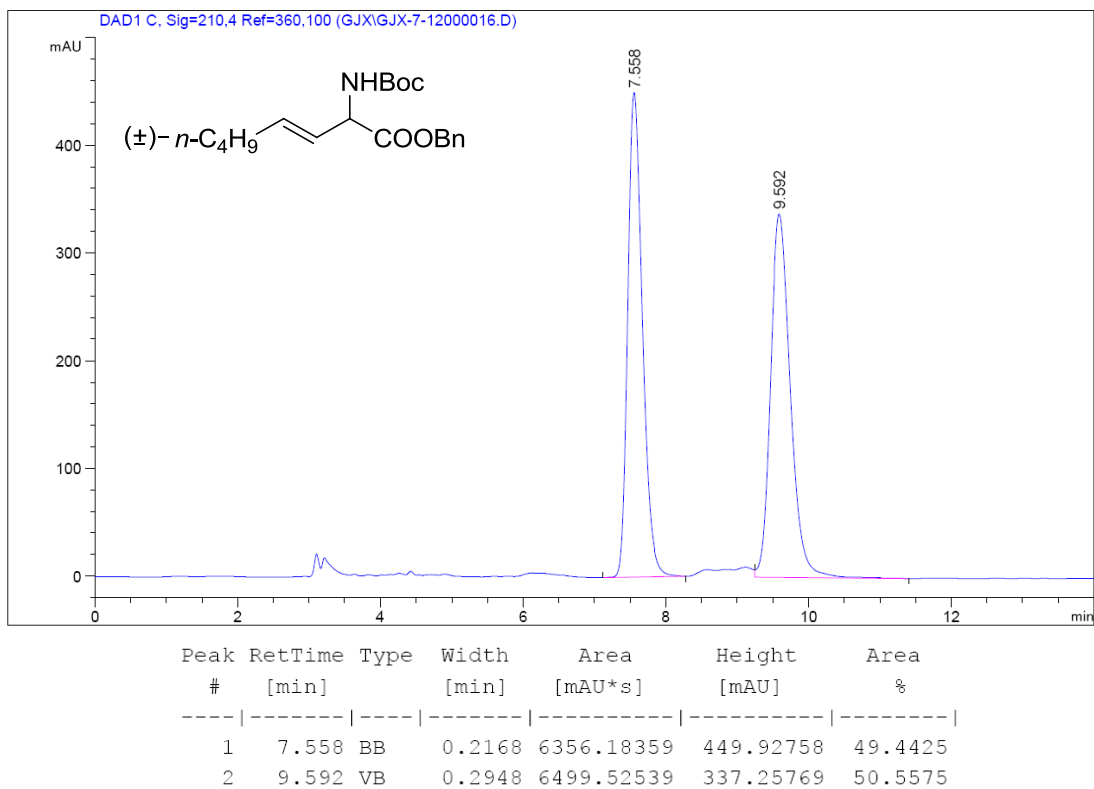
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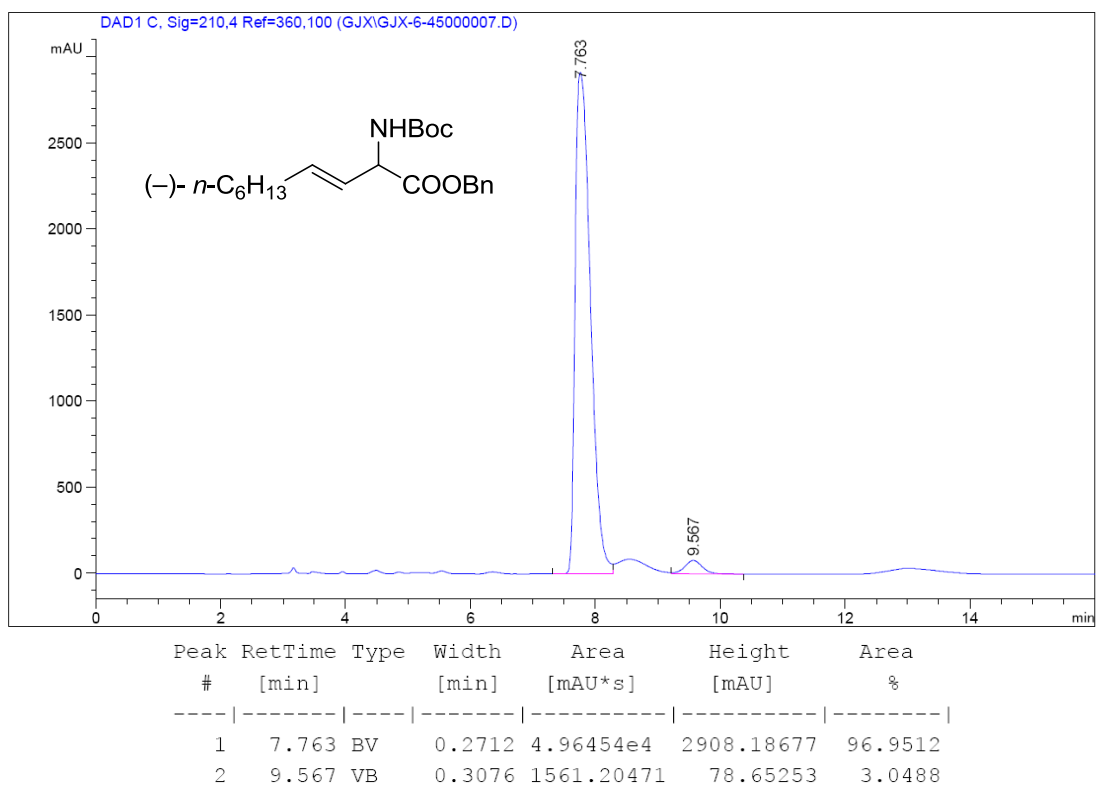
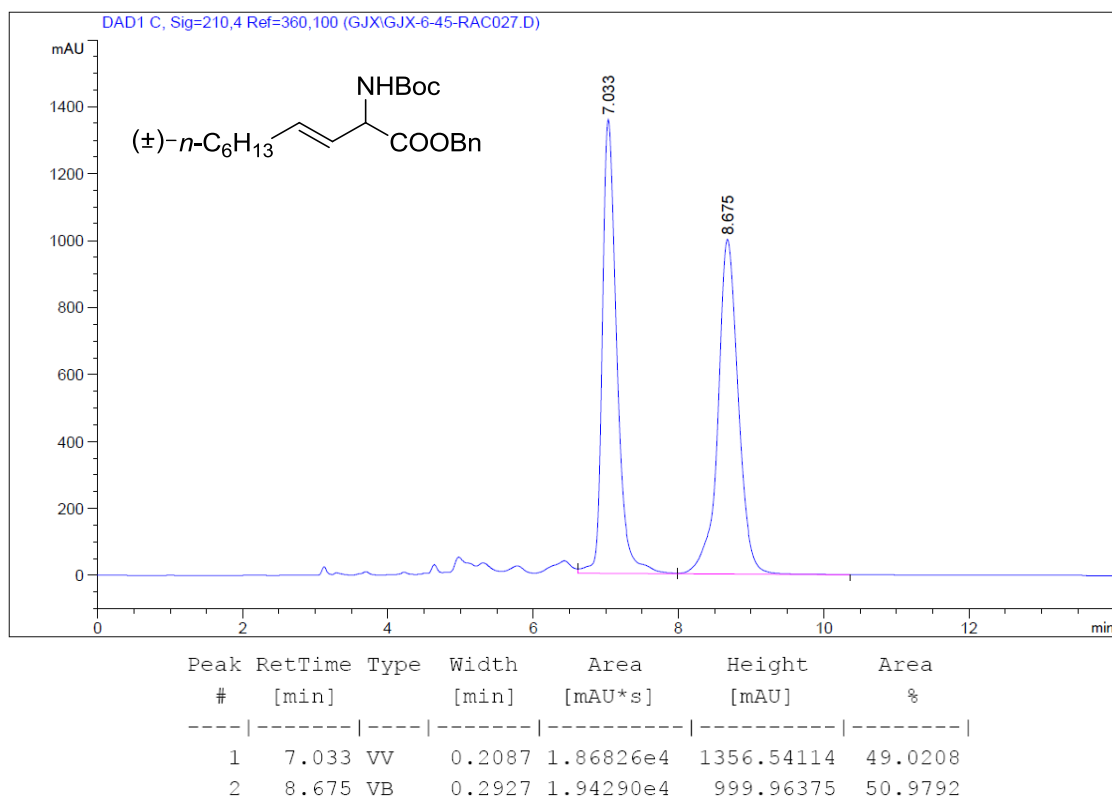
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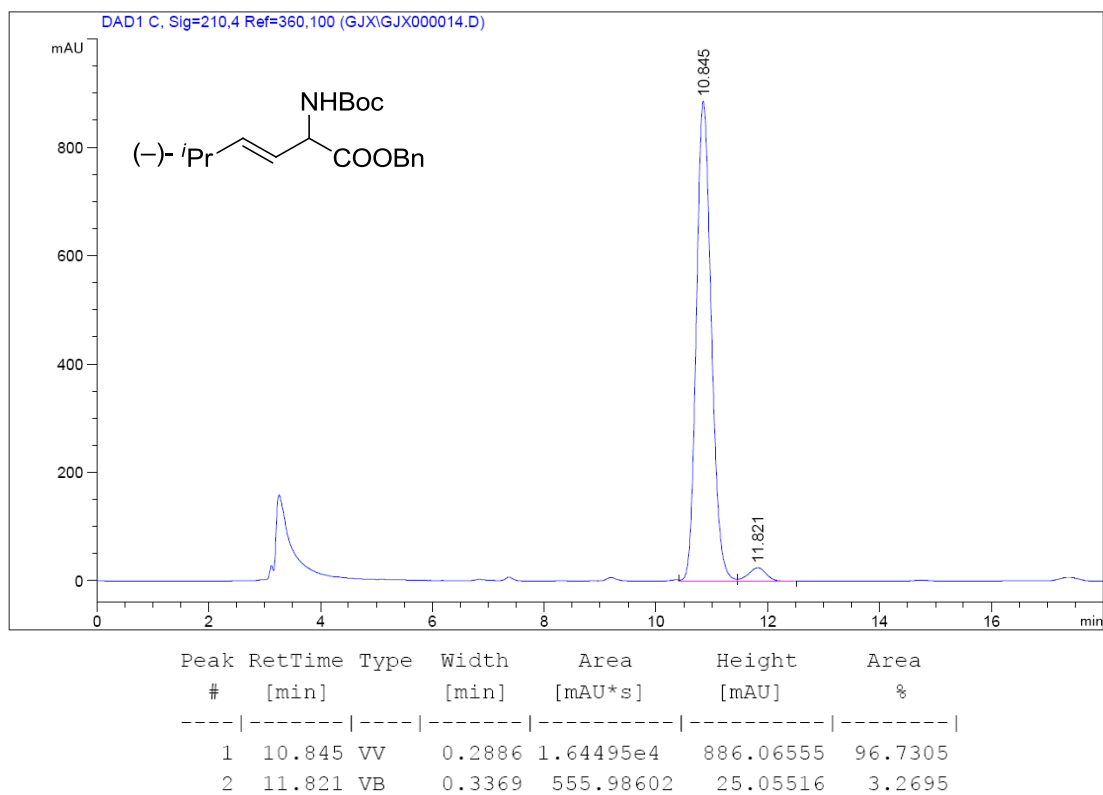
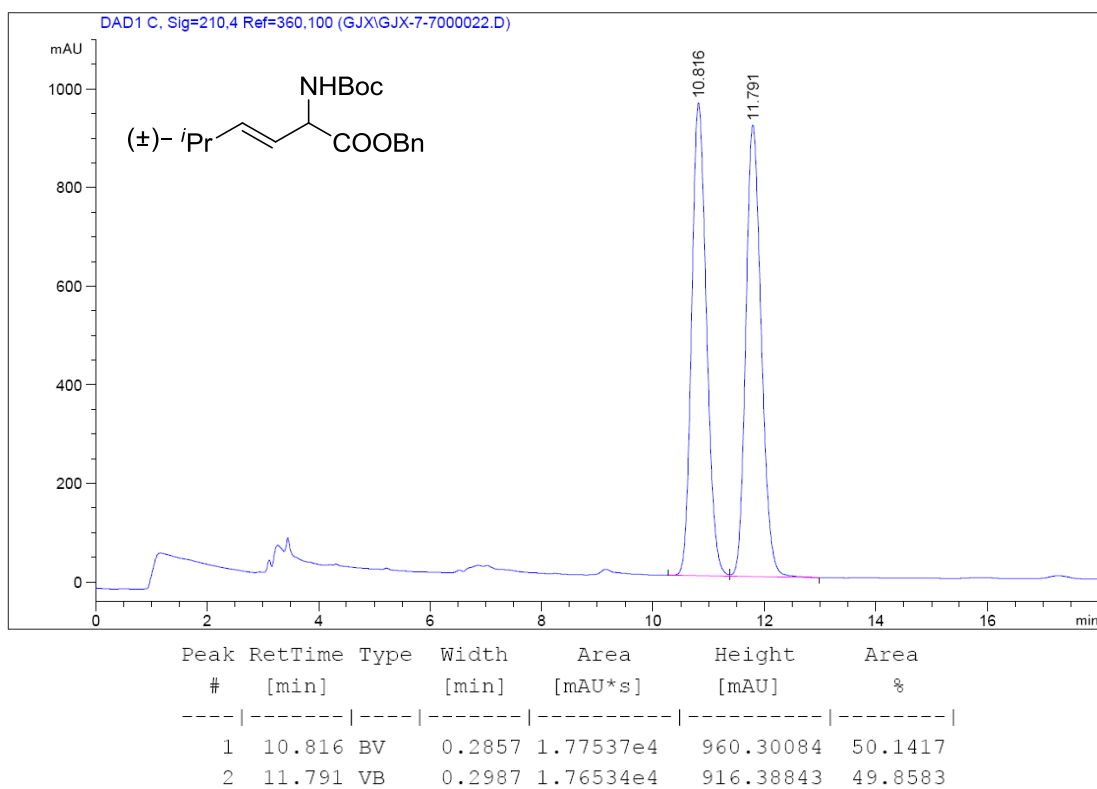
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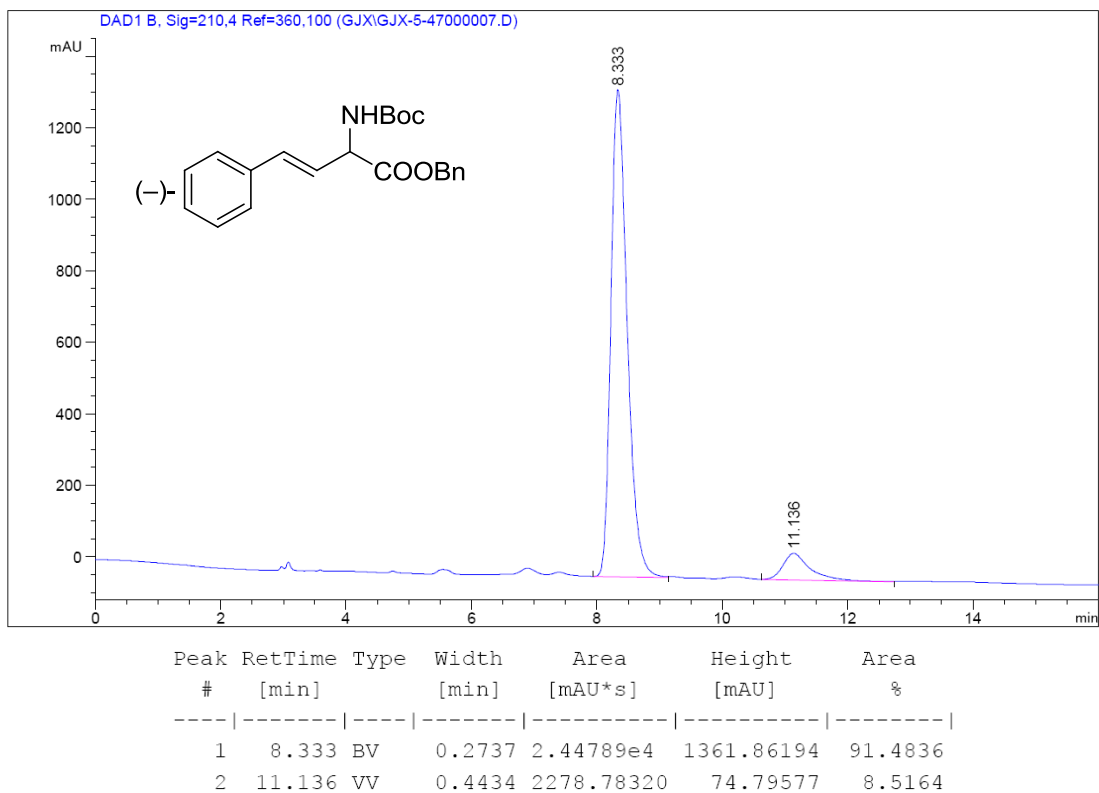
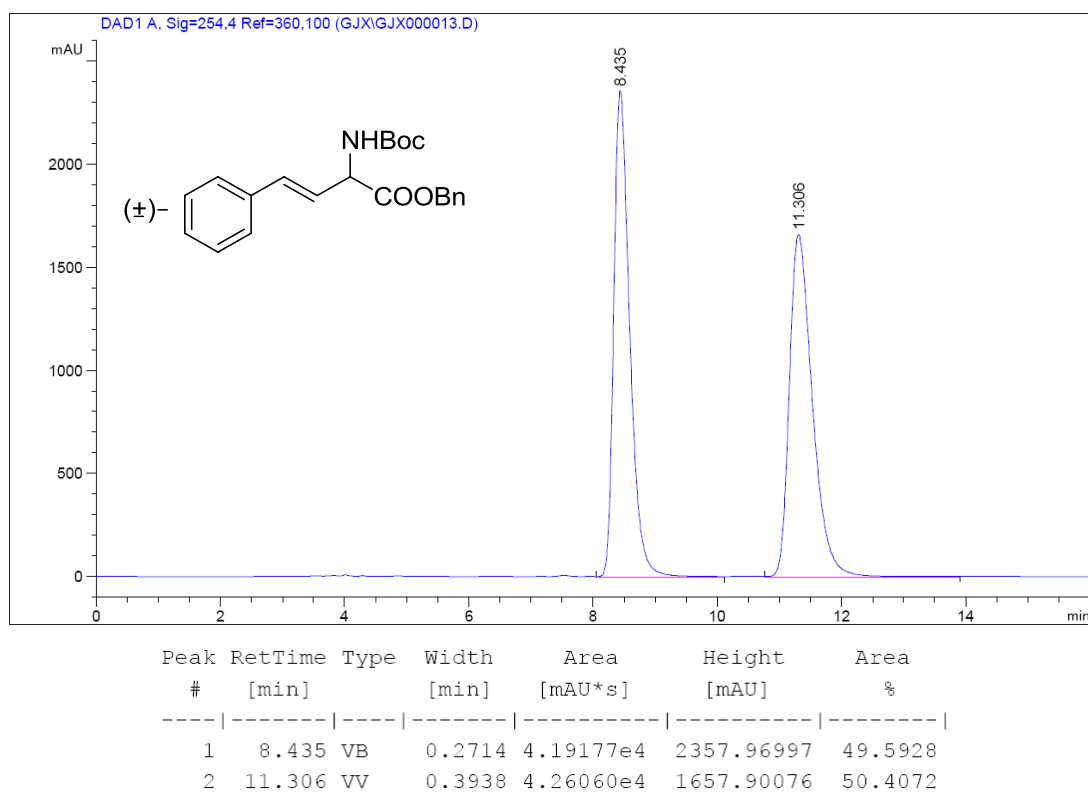
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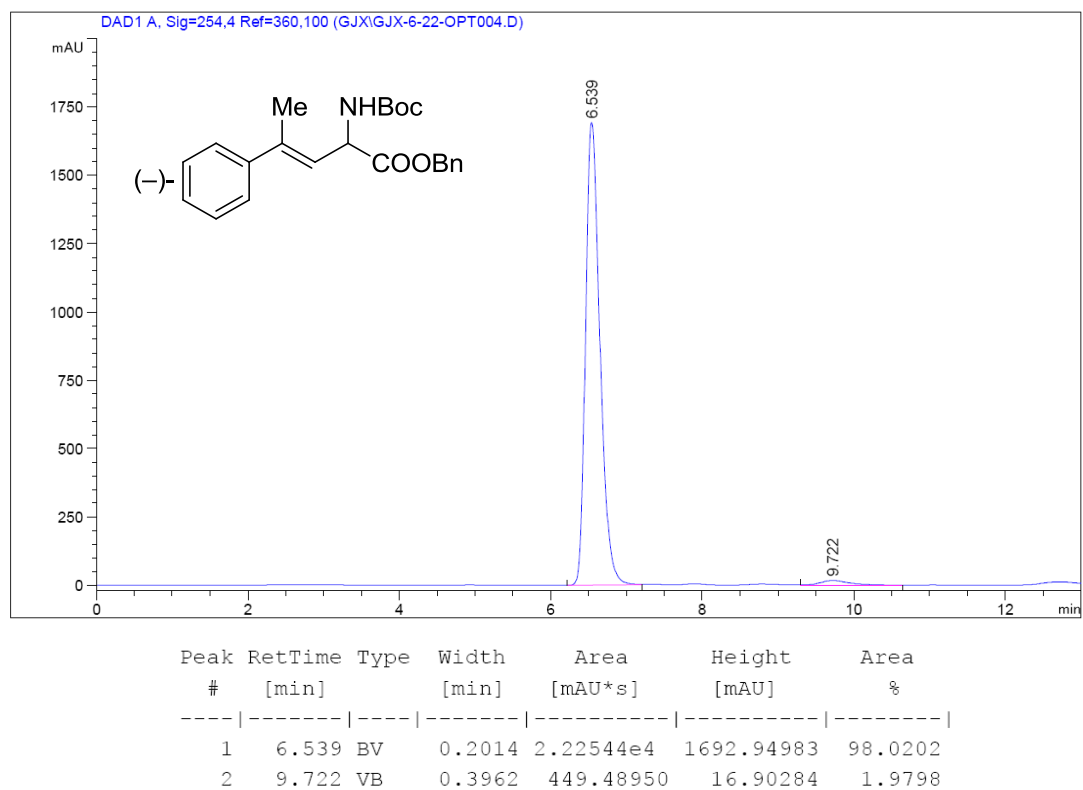
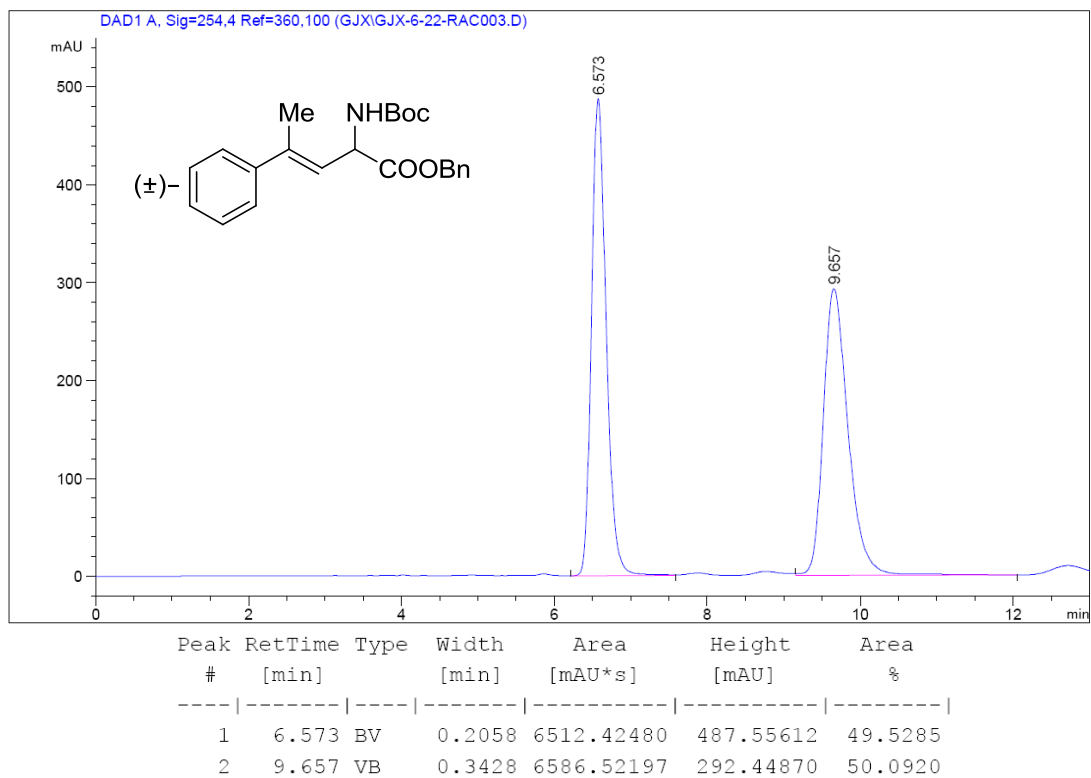
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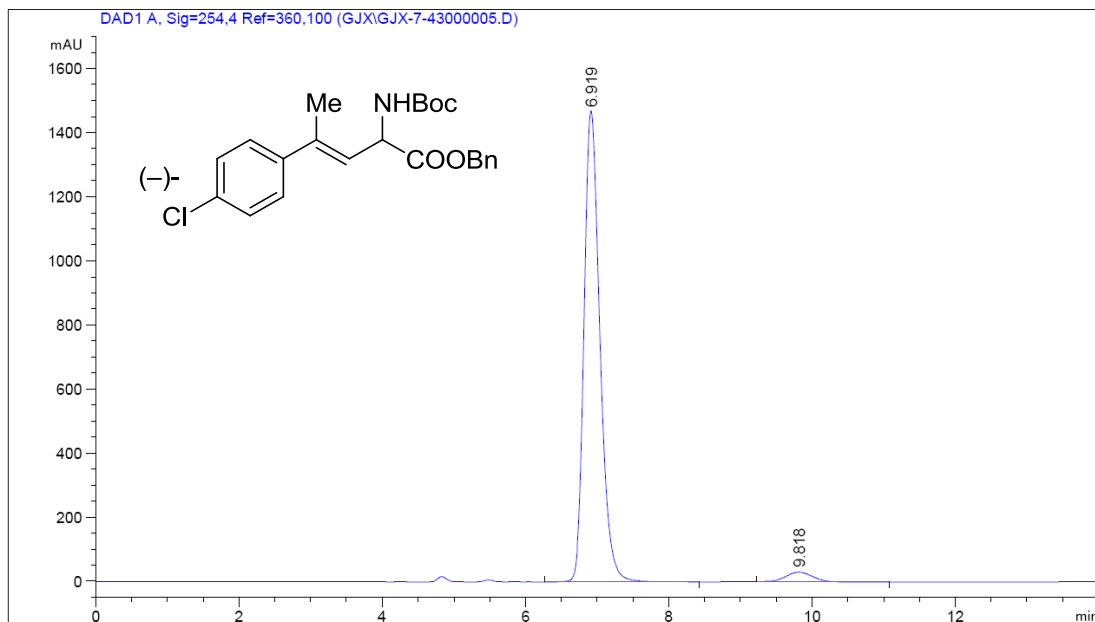
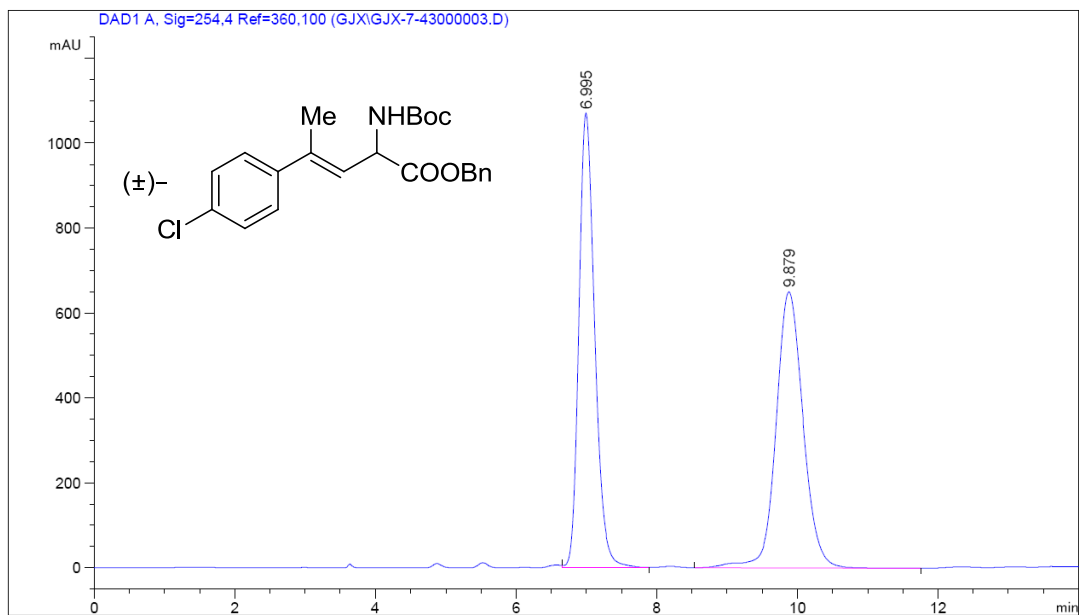
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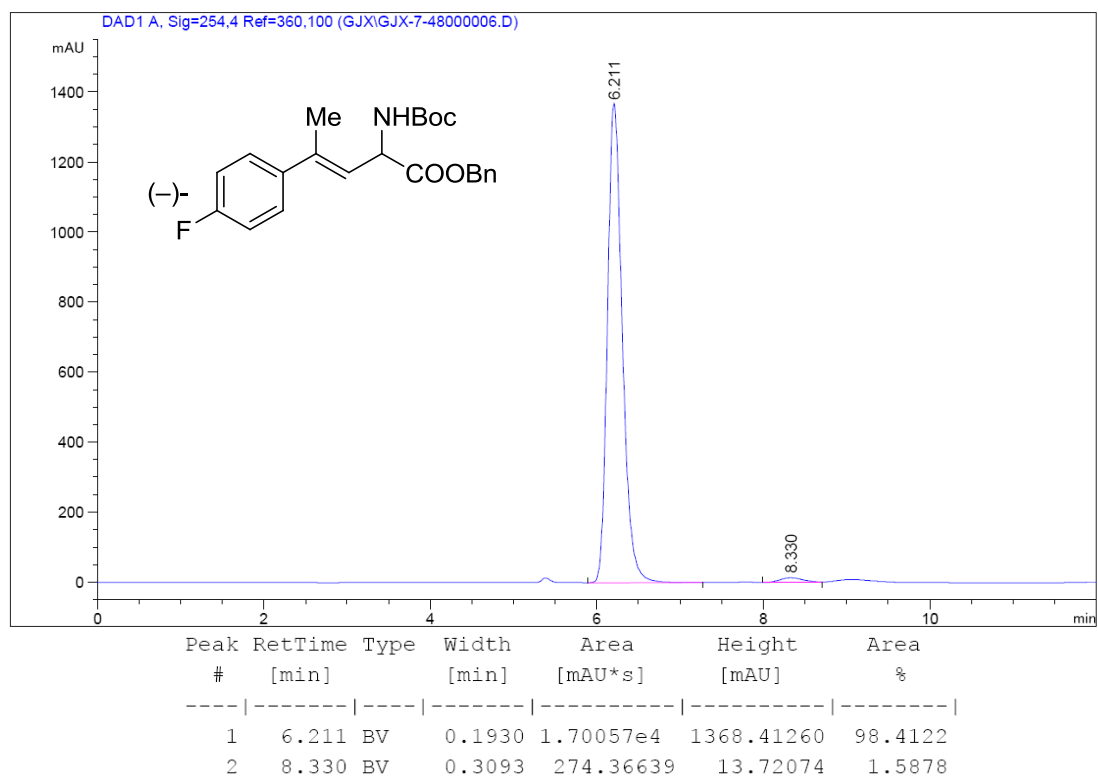
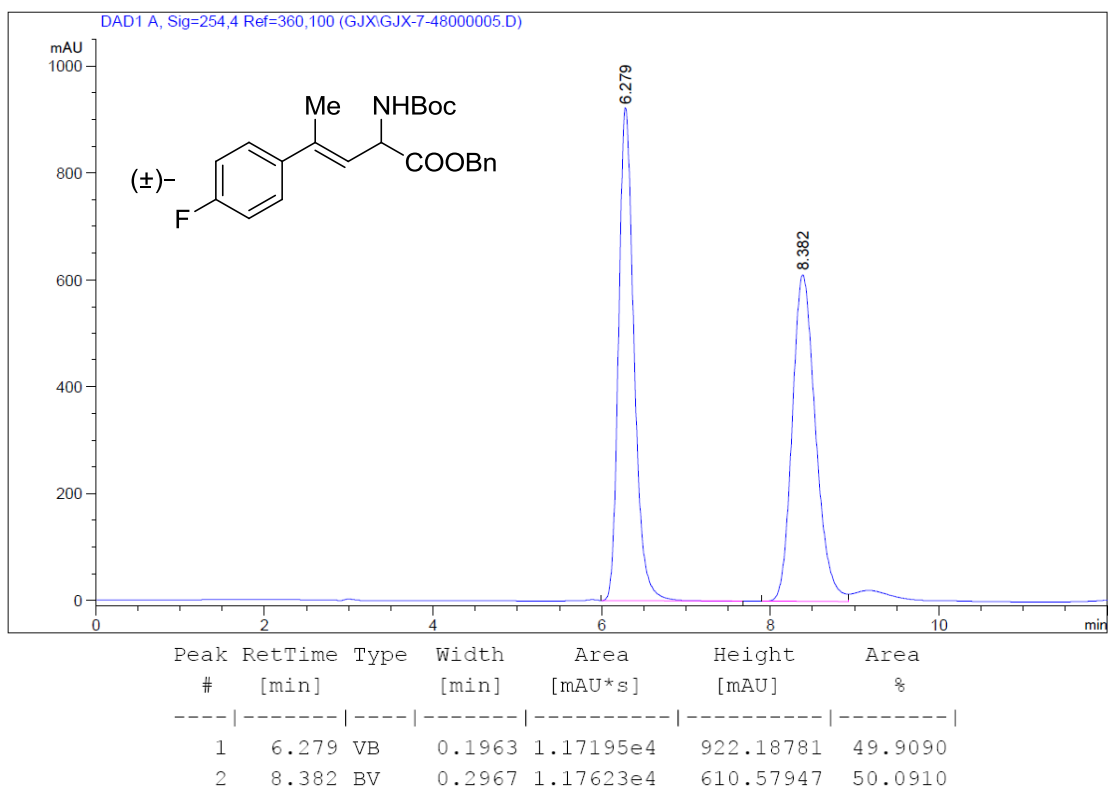
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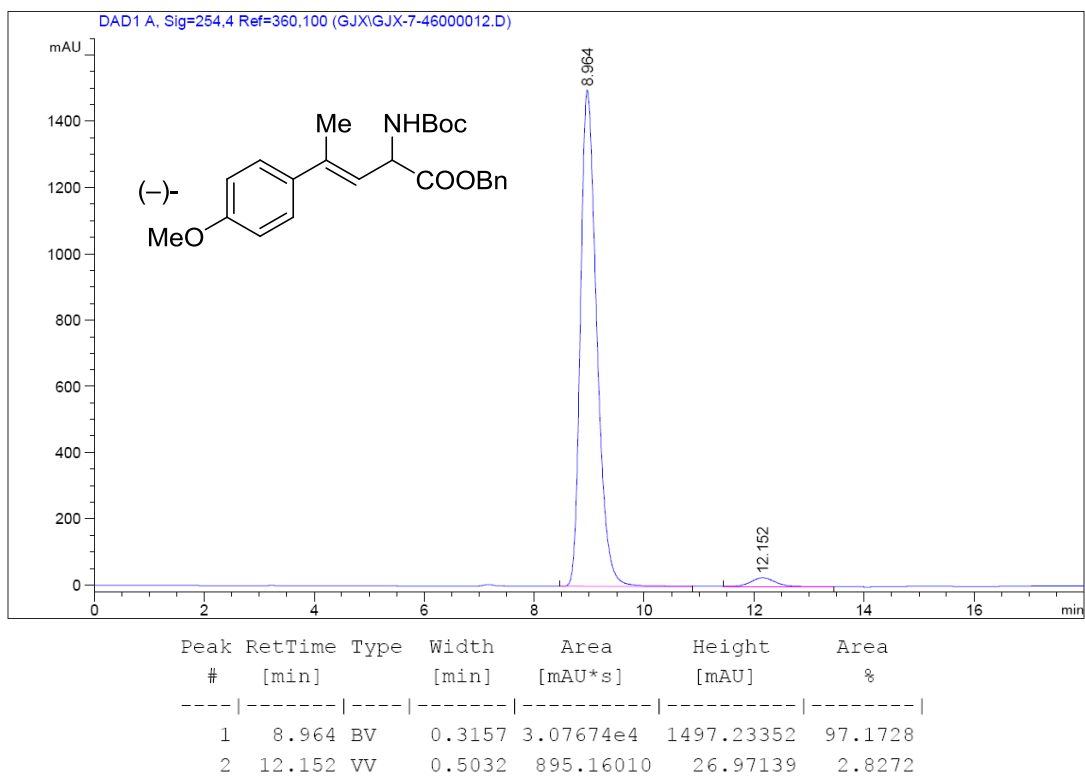
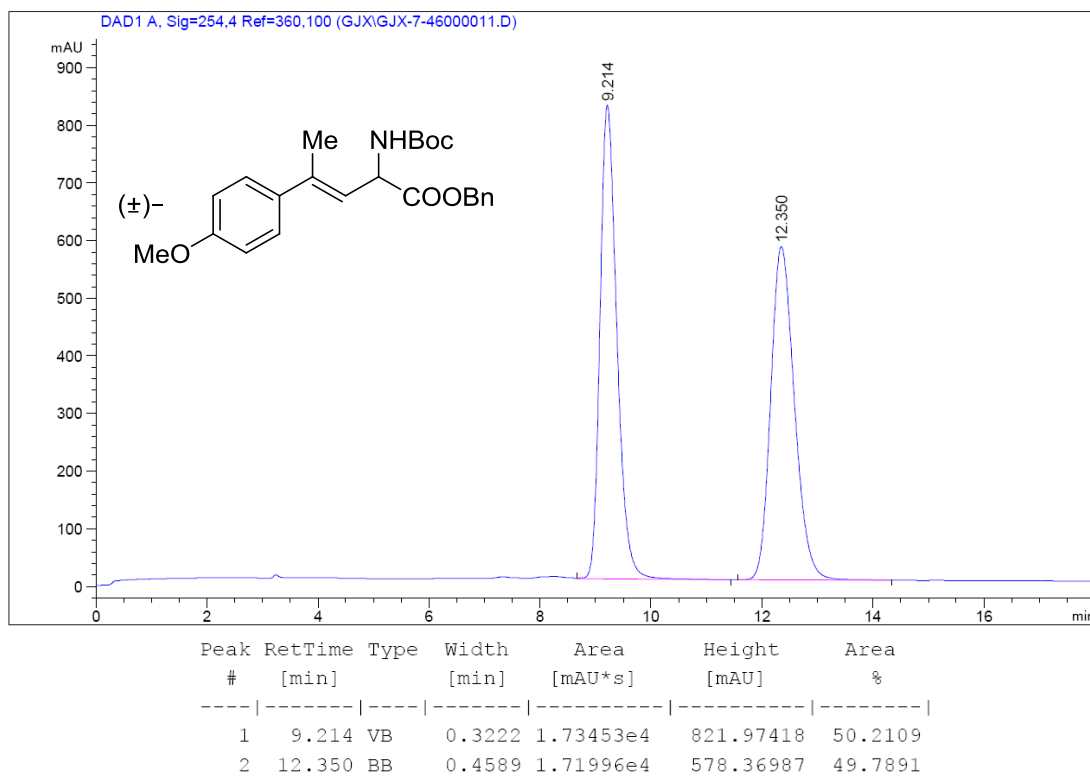
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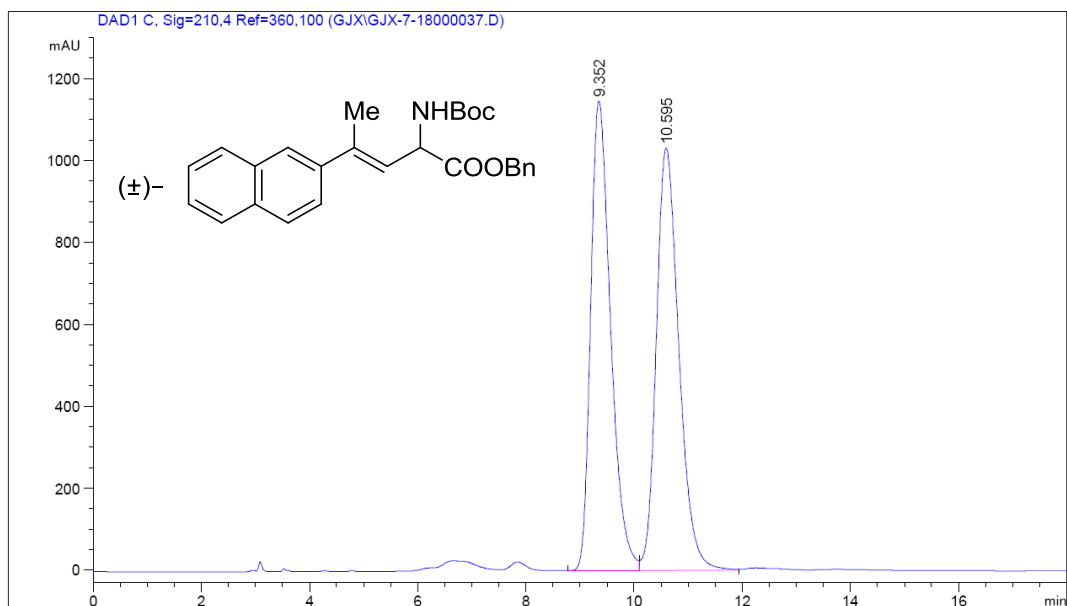
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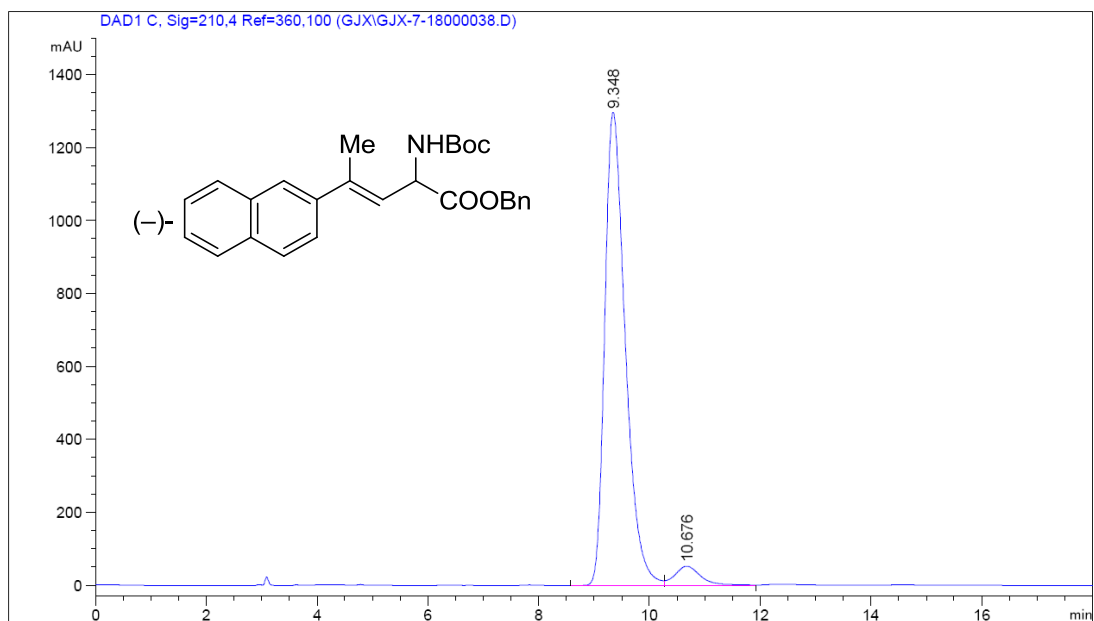
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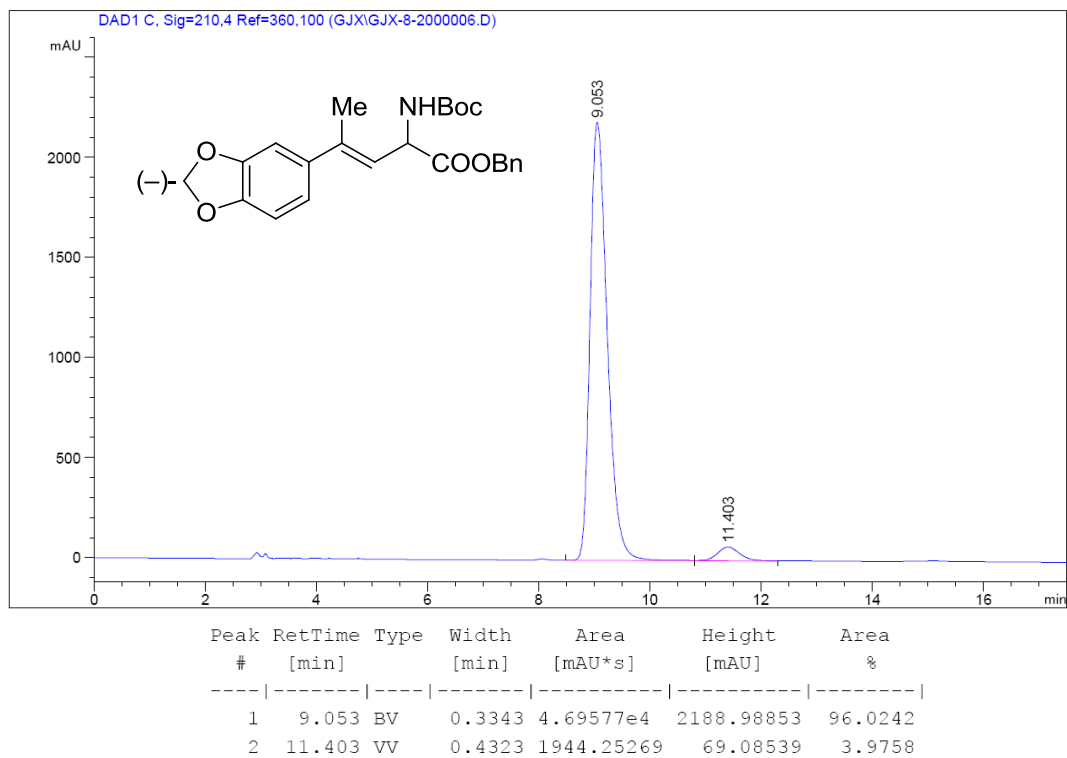
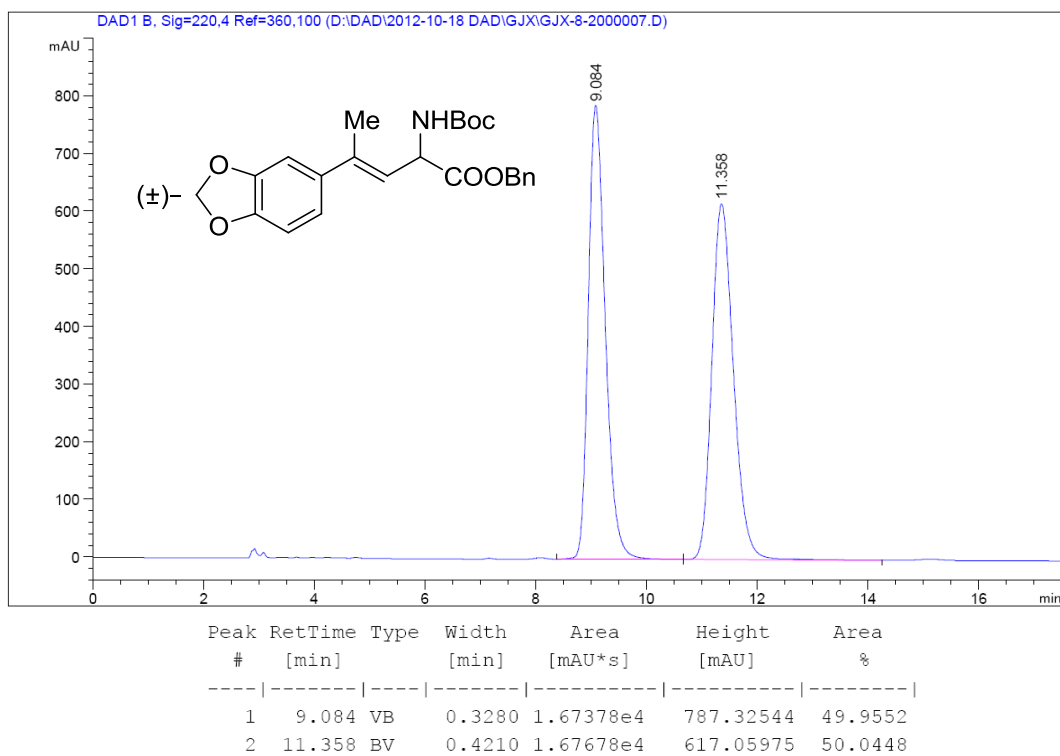


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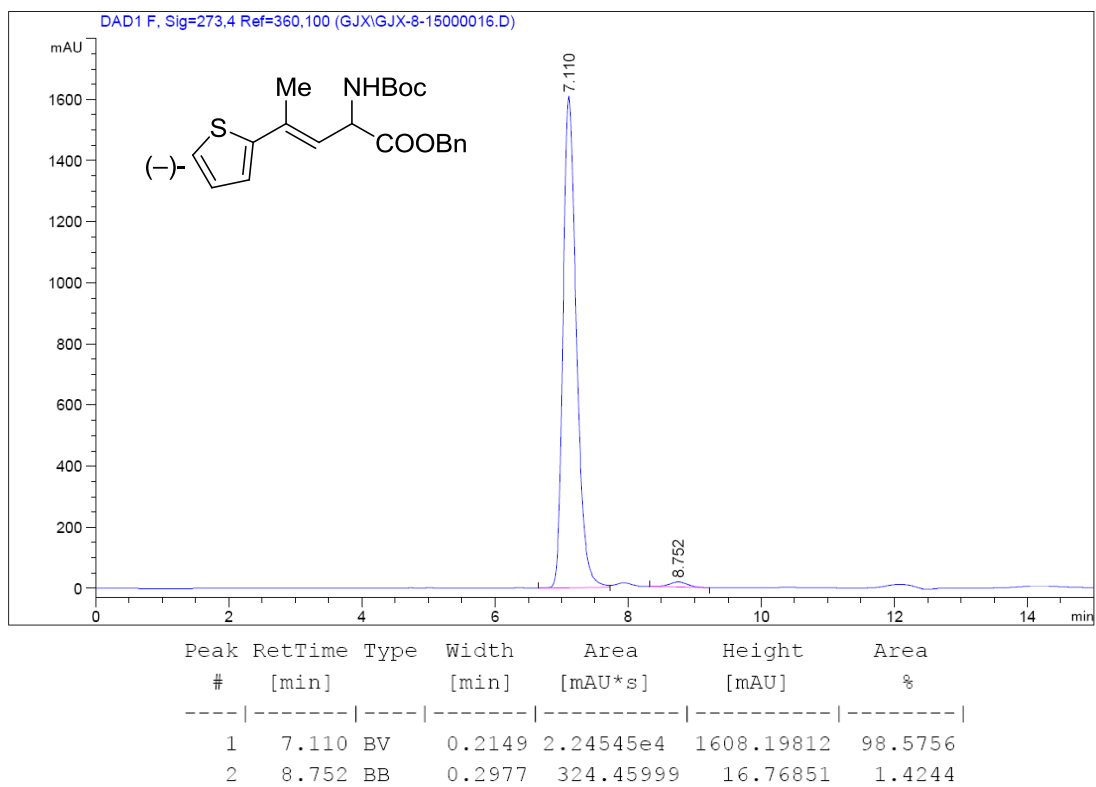
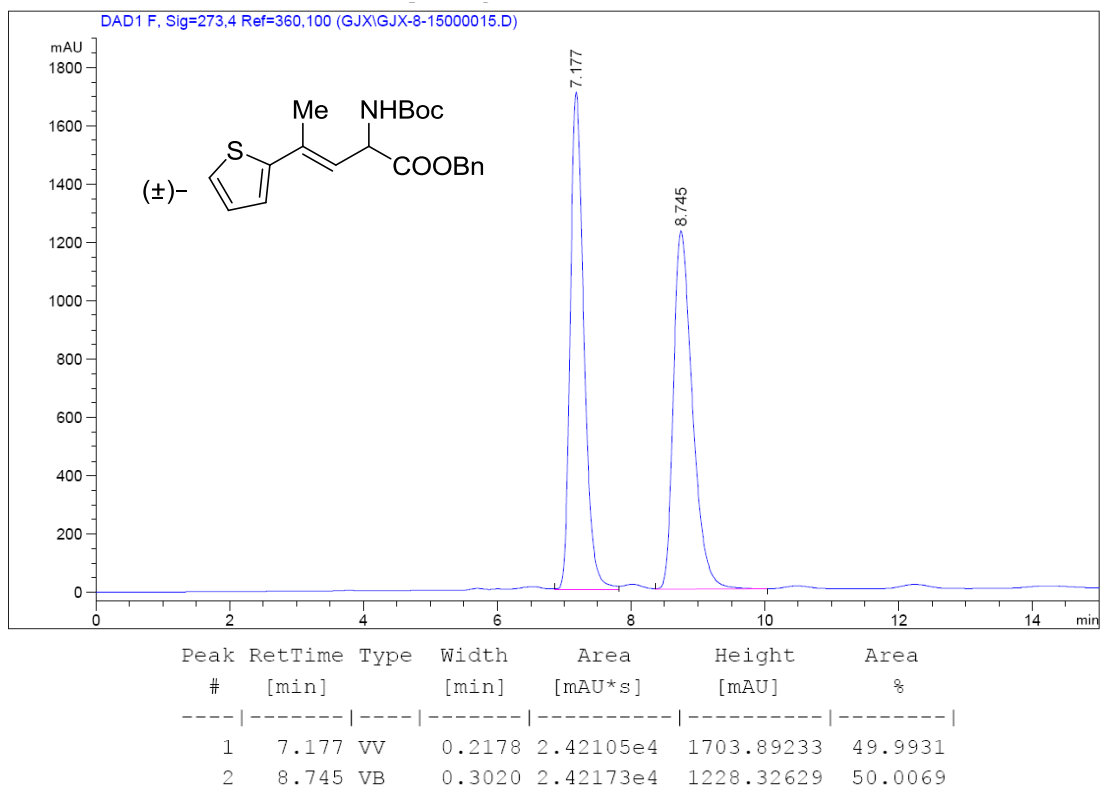


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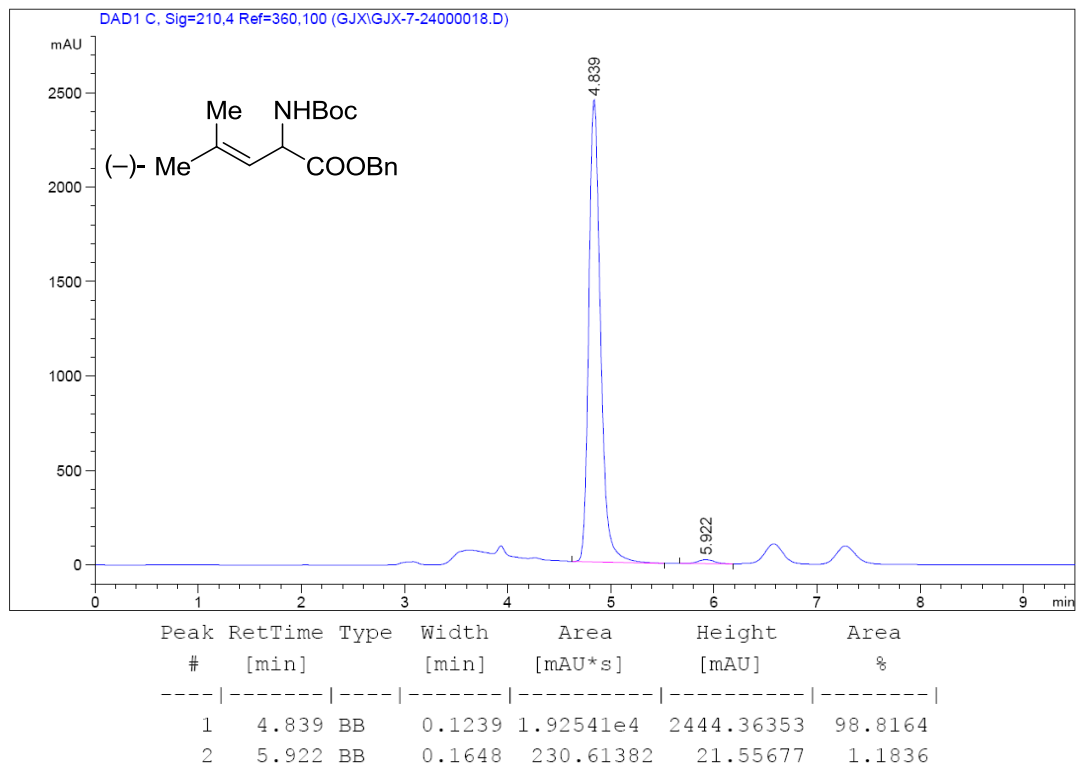
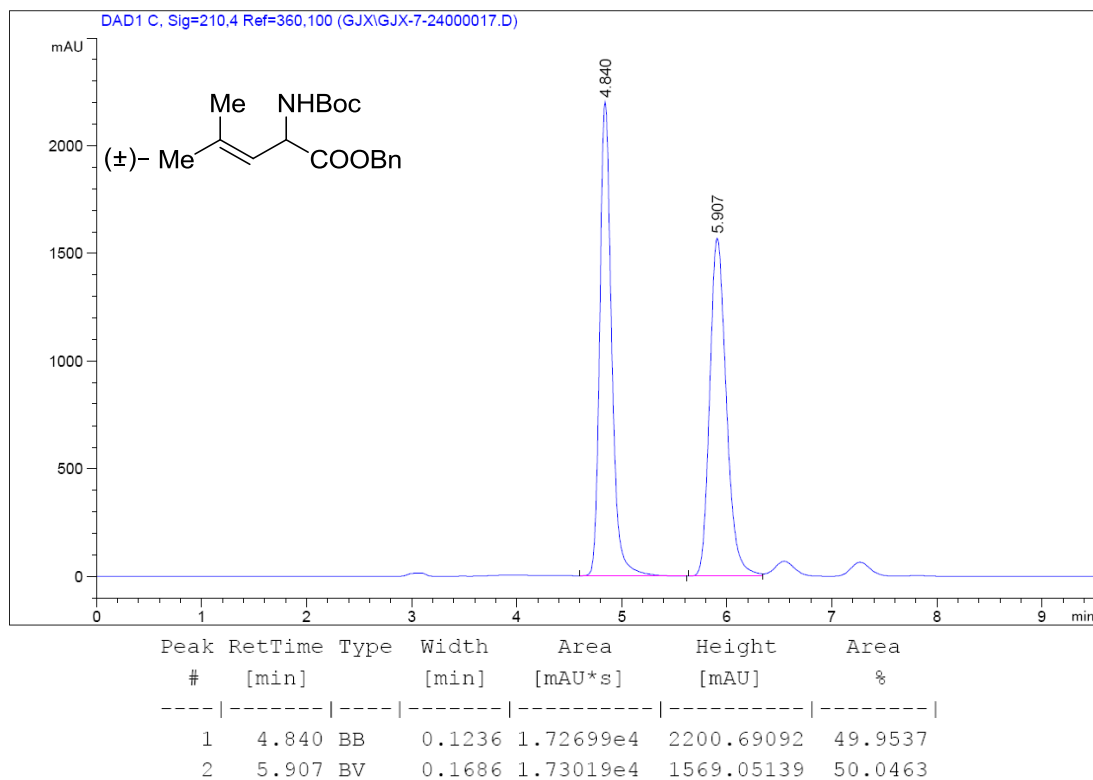
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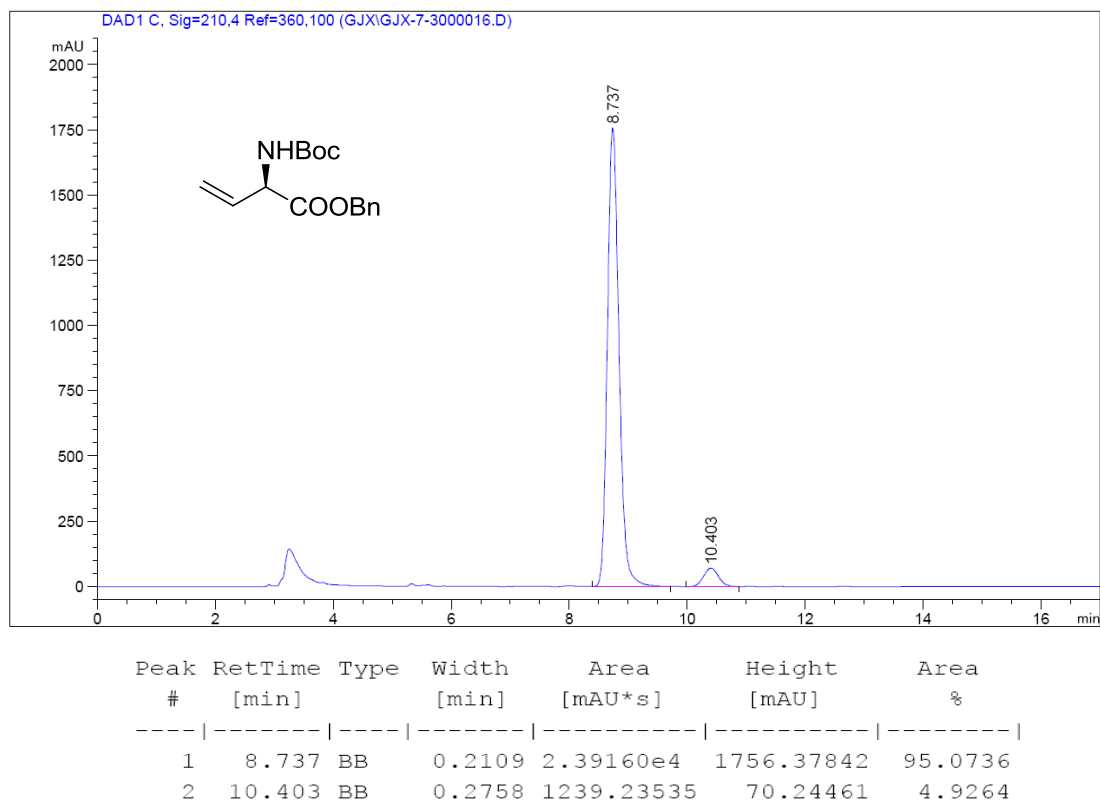
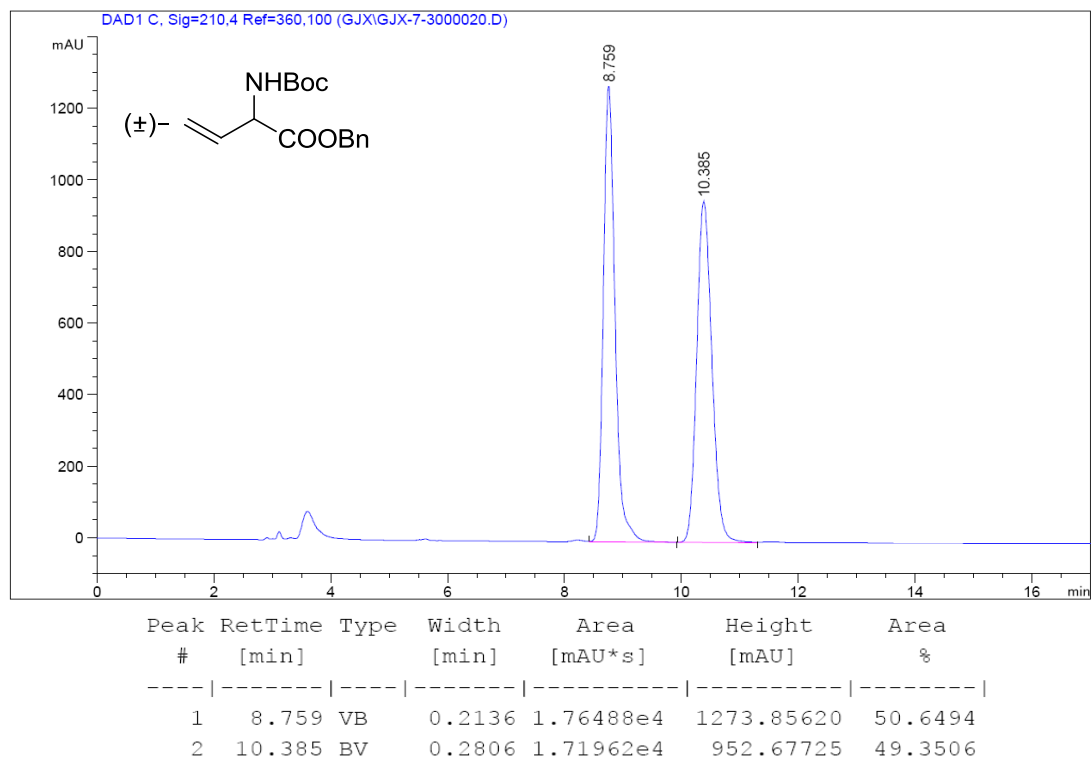
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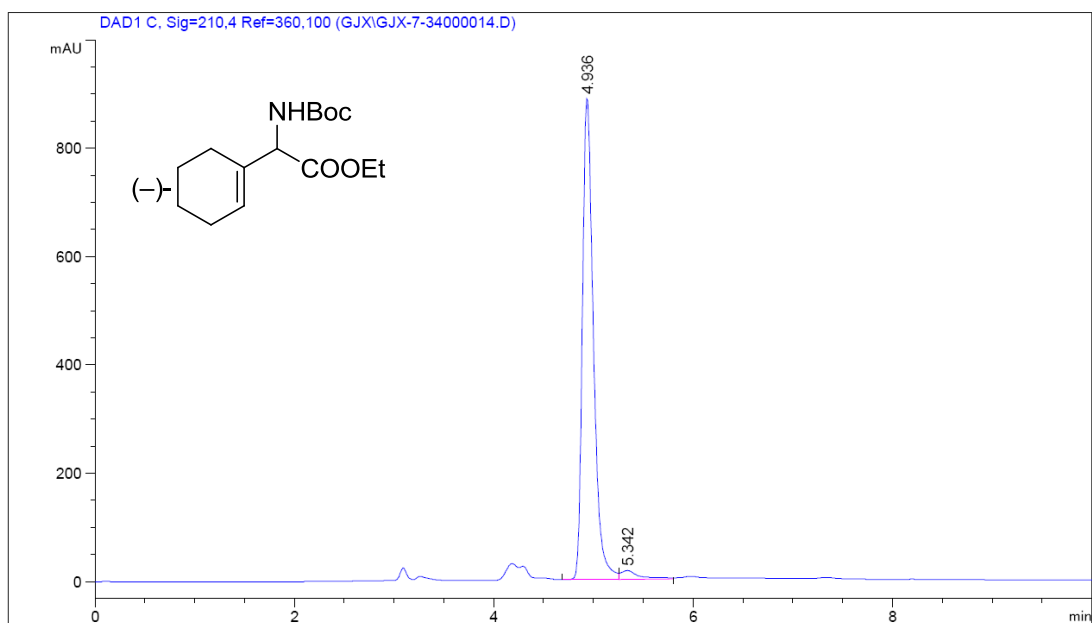
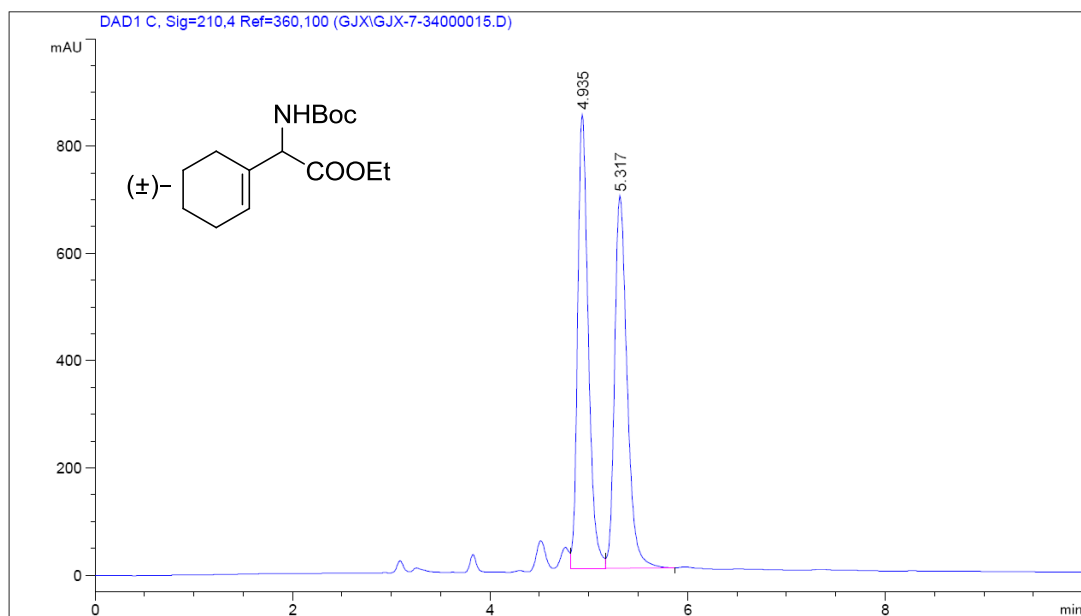
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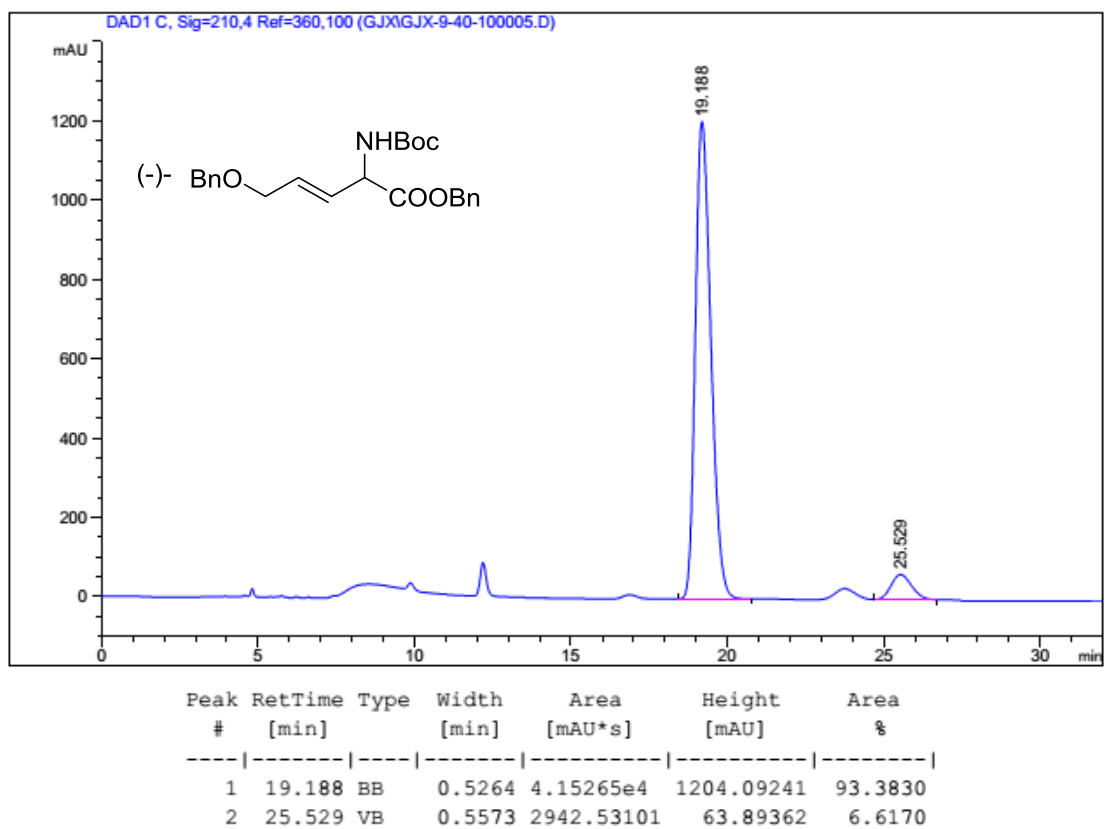
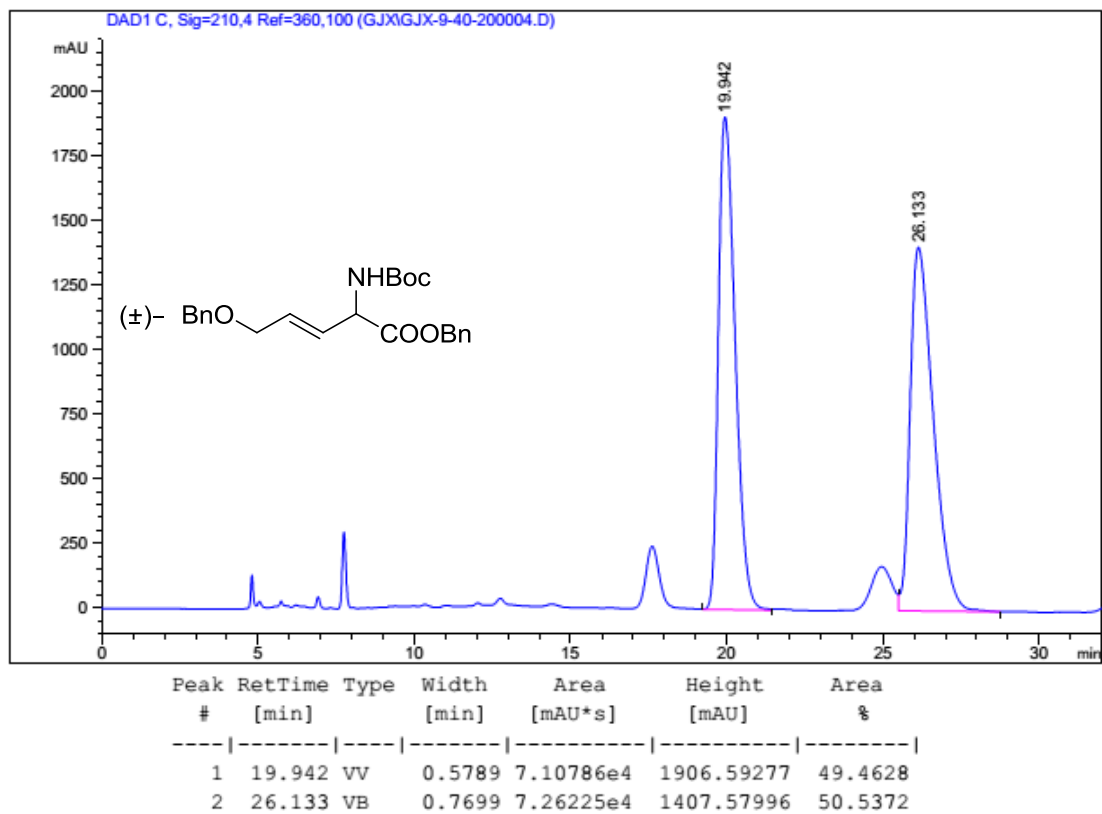
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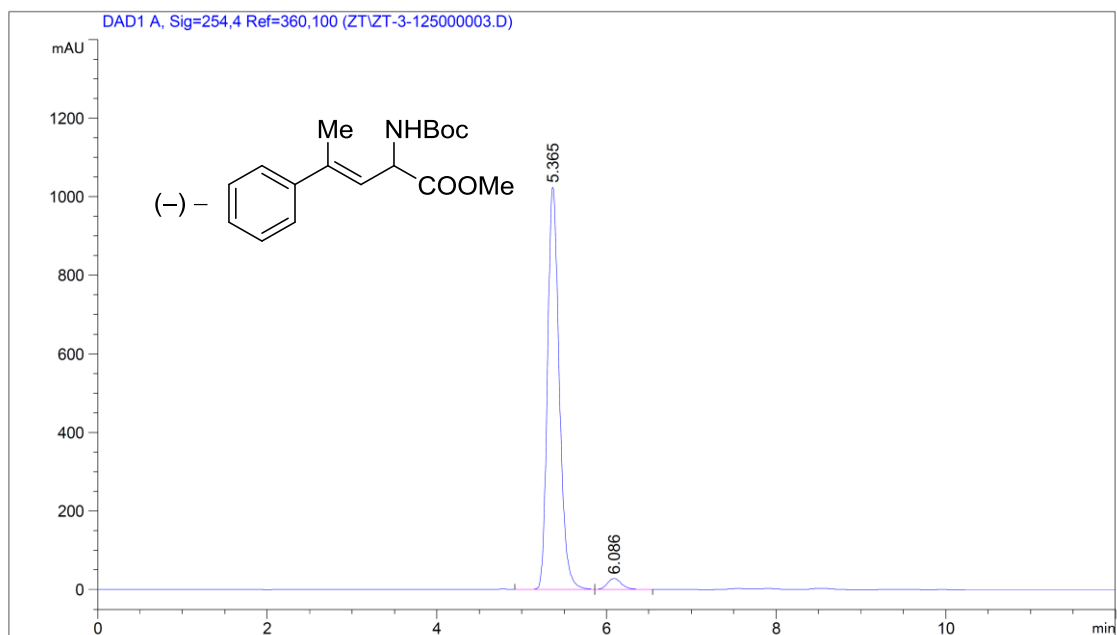
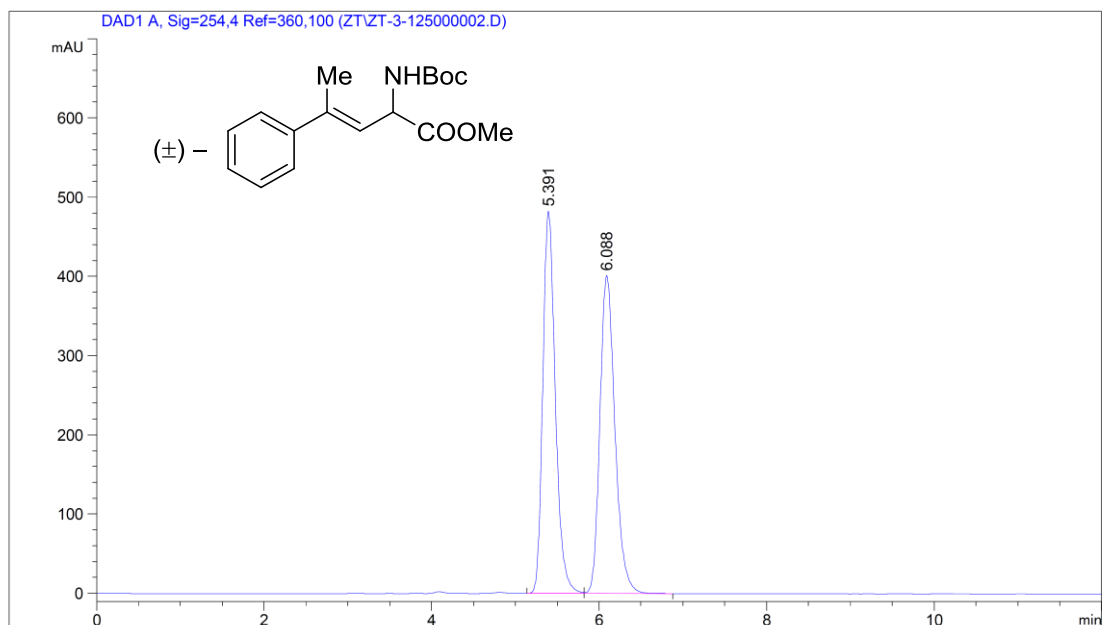
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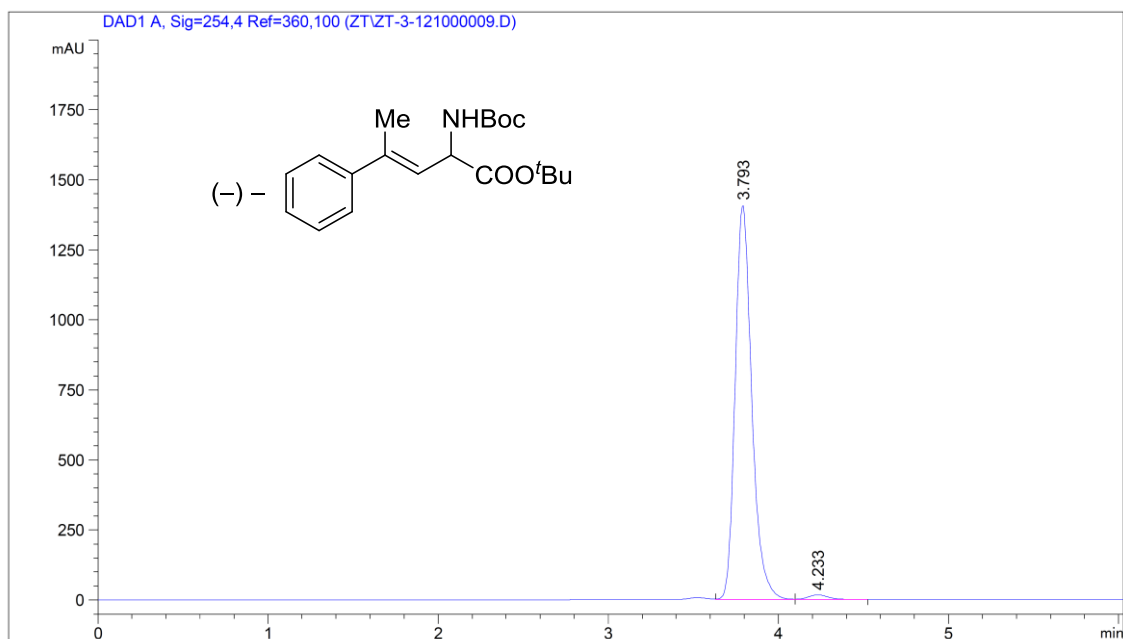
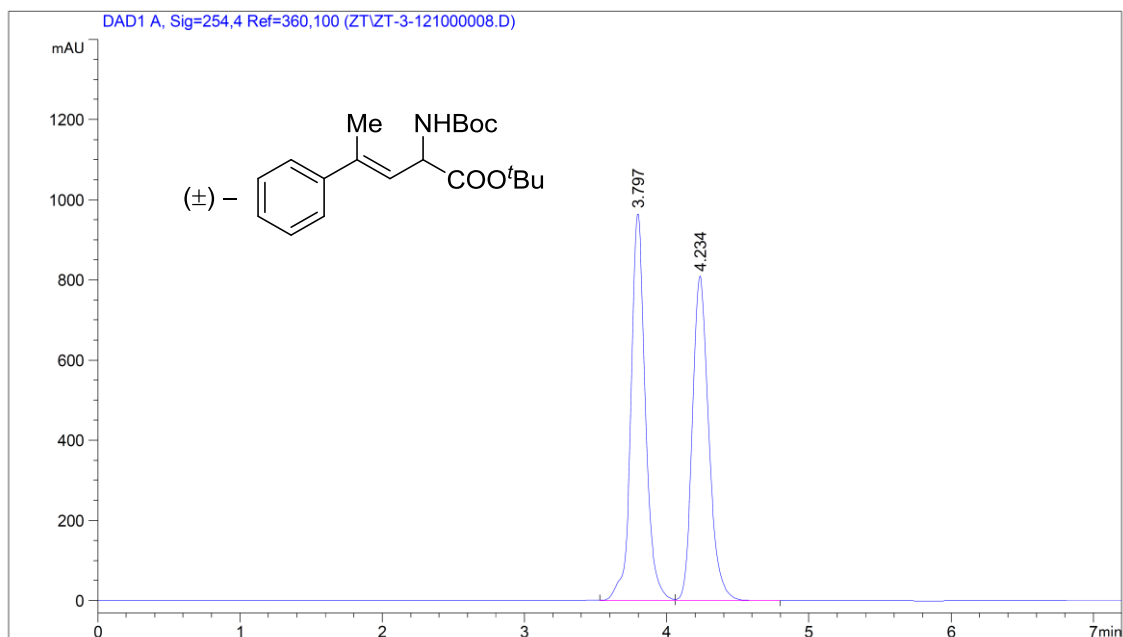
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(E)-Methyl 2-(tert-butoxycarbonylamino)-4-phenylpent-3-enoate (2r)



(E)-tert-Butyl 2-(tert-butoxycarbonylamino)-4-phenylpent-3-enoate (2s)



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