

Supporting Information

**Rh(II)-catalyzed Formal N-S Bond Insertion Reaction of
Aryldiazoacetates into N-Phenyl-Sulfenyl Phthalimide**

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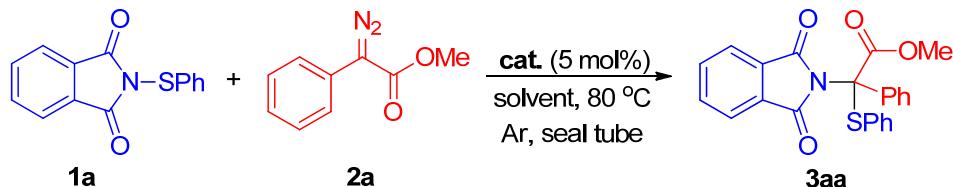
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General Methods.

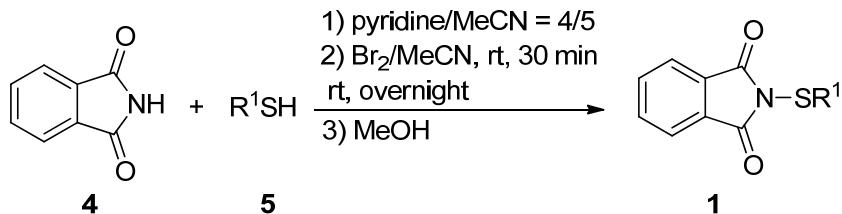
¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded on an ACF* 300Q Bruker spectrometer. Low-and high-resolution mass spectra (LRMS and HRMS) were recorded in electron impact mode. The mass analyzer type used for the HRMS measurements was TOF. IR spectra were measured for samples as KBr pellets in a FT-IR spectrophotometer (Shimadzu, IR Affinity-1). Reactions were monitored by TLC on silica gel 60 F254 plates. Column chromatography was carried out on silica gel (200-300 mesh). Data for ¹H NMR are recorded as follows: chemical shift (δ , ppm), multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, m = multiplet or unresolved, br s = broad singlet, coupling constant (s) in Hz, integration). Data for ¹³C NMR are reported in terms of chemical shift (δ , ppm).

Optimization of the reaction conditions.



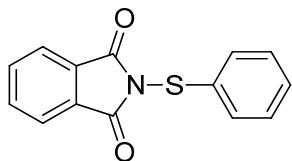
| entry | cat. (X mol%) | solvent | yield (%) |
|-------|---|---------|-----------|
| 1 | 0.05 mol% Rh ₂ (OAc) ₄ | Hexane | 78 |
| 2 | 0.1 mol% Rh ₂ (OAc) ₄ | Hexane | 91 |
| 3 | 0.2 mol% Rh ₂ (OAc) ₄ | Hexane | 83 |
| 3 | 0.5 mol% Rh ₂ (OAc) ₄ | Hexane | 85 |
| 4 | Rh ₂ (OCOCF ₃) ₄ | Hexane | 79 |
| 5 | Rh ₂ (O ₂ n-Oct) ₄ | Hexane | 37 |
| 6 | Rh ₂ (R-DOSP) ₄ | Hexane | 9 |

General procedure for synthesis of substrate 1.^[1]

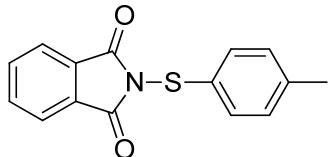


Substituted thiol **5** (10.5 mmol, 1.05 equiv.) and phthalimide **4** (10 mmol, 1 equiv.) were dissolved in hot pyridine-acetonitrile (9 mL, v/v = 4/5) and the solution was cooled to room temperature with stirring. A solution of bromine (615 μ L, 12 mmol, 1.2 equiv.) in acetonitrile (5 mL) was then added dropwise over 30 min. After a further period of 2 h, methanol (20 mL) was added dropwise over 30 min. The solution were cooled in an ice-water bath for 30 min, and then the product **1** was

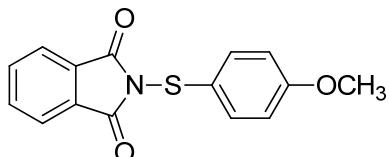
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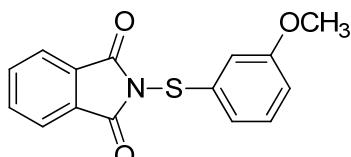
1a, white solid, 86% yield (2.2 g). m.p. 161-163 °C. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.93-7.90 (m, 2H), 7.78-7.75 (m, 2H), 7.61-7.58 (m, 2H), 7.35-7.30 (m, 3H).



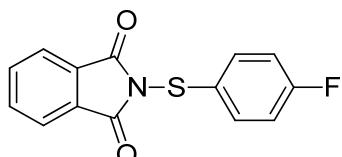
1b, pale yellow solid, 82% yield (2.2 g). m.p. 198-200 °C. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.92-7.88 (m, 2H), 7.76-7.73 (m, 2H), 7.59 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 2H), 7.13 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 2H), 2.31 (s, 3H).



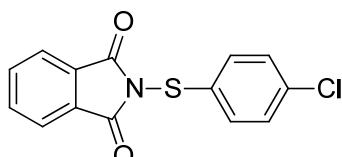
1c, pale yellow solid, 69% yield (1.97 g). m.p. 196-198 °C. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.90-7.86 (m, 2H), 7.78-7.72 (m, 4H), 6.84 (d, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 2H), 3.78 (s, 3H).



1d, ivory solid, 74% yield (2.1 g). m.p. 135-138 °C. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.95-7.91 (m, 2H), 7.80-7.77 (m, 2H), 7.26-7.21 (m, 1H), 7.16-7.10 (m, 2H), 6.86-6.82 (m, 1H), 3.78 (s, 3H).

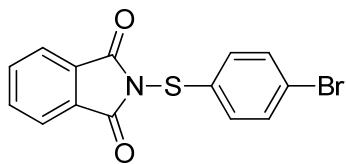


1e, ivory solid, 86% yield (2.35 g). m.p. 194-196 °C. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.92-7.89 (m, 2H), 7.79-7.71 (m, 4H), 7.02 (t, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H).

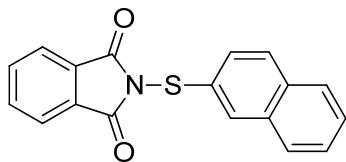


1f, ivory solid, 73% yield (2.1 g). m.p. 176-178 °C. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ

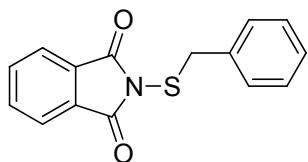
7.94-7.91 (m, 2H), 7.79-7.76 (m, 2H), 7.58 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.29 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H).



1g, ivory solid, 78% yield (2.61 g). m.p. 176-178 °C. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.94-7.91 (m, 2H), 7.80-7.77 (m, 2H), 7.50-7.43 (m, 4H).



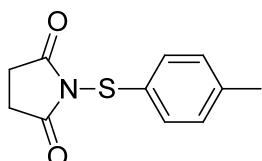
1h, yellow solid, 62% yield (1.9 g). m.p. 202-205 °C. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.15 (s, 1H), 7.97-7.88 (m, 2H), 7.82-7.75 (m, 5H), 7.68-7.62 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 7.49-7.47 (m, 2H).



1i, white solid, 5% yield (125 mg). m.p. 158-161 °C. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.86-7.84 (m, 2H), 7.75-7.73 (m, 2H), 7.28-7.20 (m, 5H), 4.12 (s, 2H).

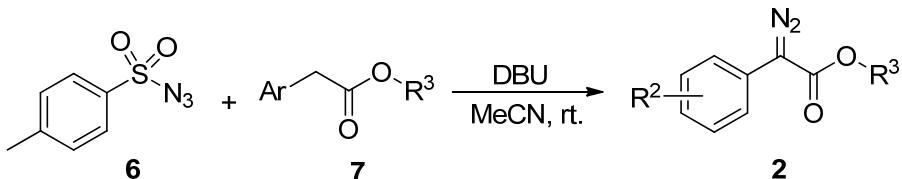
Synthesis of substrate **1j**.^[2]

A solution of *p*-thiocresol (10 mmol) in toluene (1.24 g, 10 mL) at room temperature was added to suspension of N-chlorosuccinimide (1.34 g, 10 mmol) in toluene (40 mL). After stirred for 10 min, the mixture turned from yellow-green to orange, and keep stirring for another 35 min. A solution of Et₃N (1.53 mL, 11 mmol) in toluene (10 mL) was added, drop by drop, over a period of 5 min at room temperature. The reaction mixture was faded. It was then allowed to stand for 35 min, washed thoroughly with water, and then extracted with ethyl acetate, after washing with brine, the combined organic extracts were dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated by rotary evaporation. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 8/1 to 2/1) to afford the white solid product **1j**.

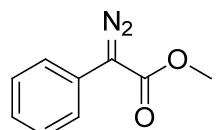


1j, white solid, 62% yield (1.38g). m.p. 112-113 °C. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.58 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 2H), 7.14 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 2H), 2.78 (s, 4H), 2.33 (s, 3H).

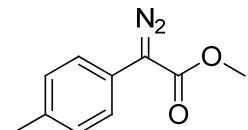
General procedure for synthesis of diazoesters **2.**^[3]



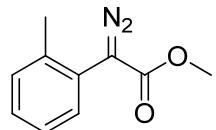
To a mixture of esters **7** (1.0 equiv.) and *p*-toluenesulfonyl azide (TsN_3) **6** (1.2 equiv.) in anhydrous acetonitrile (3 mL/mmol), DBU (1.4 equiv.) was added. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for overnight. Upon the complete consumption of the starting materials, the reaction mixture was diluted with appropriate water, followed by extraction with ethyl acetate. After washing with 10% NH_4Cl solution and brine, the combined organic extracts were dried over Na_2SO_4 and concentrated by rotary evaporation. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 60/1 to 30/1) to afford the diazo esters **2**.



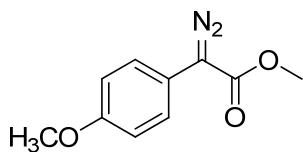
2a, red brown oil, 92% yield. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.48 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.39 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.19 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 3.87 (s, 3H).



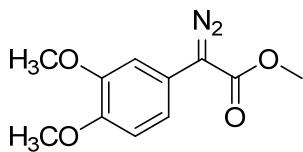
2b, orange solid, 77% yield. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.37 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.21 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 2H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 2.34 (s, 3H).



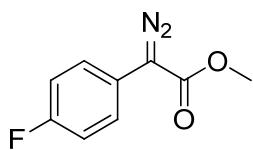
2c, red brown oil, 81% yield. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.42-7.39 (m, 1H), 7.29-7.27 (m, 3H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 2.33 (s, 3H).



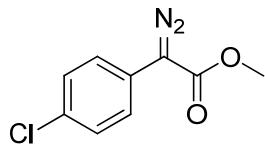
2d, orange solid, 46% yield. m.p. 47-49 °C. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.38 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.94 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 3.8 (s, 3H).



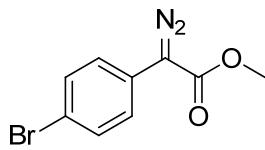
2e, red brown solid, 54% yield. m.p. 90-92 °C. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.18 (s, 1H), 6.91-6.88 (m, 2H), 3.90 (s, 3H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 3.86 (s, 3H).



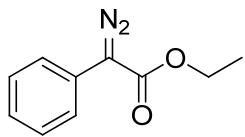
2f, orange oil, 69% yield. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.44 (dd, J = 5.1, 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.09 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 3.86 (s, 3H).



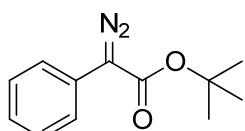
2g, orange solid, 90% yield. m.p. 64-65 °C. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.44 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.36 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 3.86 (s, 3H).



2h, orange solid, 95% yield. m.p. 39-41 °C. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.49 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.35 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 3.87 (s, 3H).



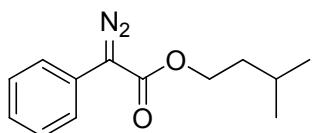
2i, red brown oil, 88% yield. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.51-7.47 (m, 2H), 7.41-7.36 (m, 2H), 7.21-7.16 (m, 1H), 4.34 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 1.35 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H).



2j, red brown oil, 62% yield. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.48 (d, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 2H), 7.38 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.17 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 1.57 (s, 9H).

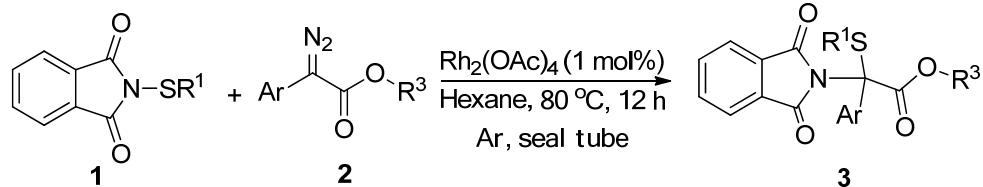


2k, orange solid, 86% yield. m.p. 62-64 °C. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.50 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.40-7.33 (m, 7H), 7.18 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 1H), 5.33 (s, 2H).

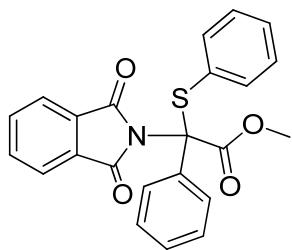


2l, red brown oil, 85% yield. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.50-7.46 (m, 2H), 7.41-7.36 (m, 2H), 7.21-7.15 (m, 1H), 4.31 (t, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 2H), 1.80-1.64 (m, 1H), 1.61-1.57 (m, 2H), 0.95 (d, $J = 6.5$ Hz, 6H).

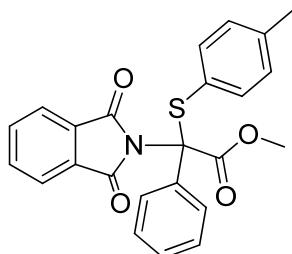
General procedure for synthesis of product **3**.



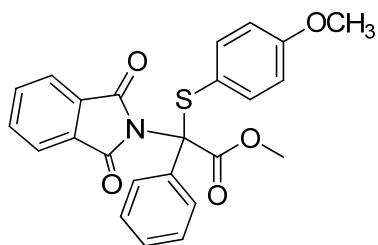
In 25 ml seal tube, a mixture of substrate **1** (0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and diazo esters **2** (0.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) were dissolved in anhydrous hexane, and 1 mol % $\text{Rh}_2(\text{OAc})_4$ was added. The reaction was heated for 12 h at 80 °C under argon atmosphere. The reaction mixture was diluted with water (3 mL), followed by extraction with ethyl acetate (3 * 10 mL). After washing with brine, the combined organic extracts were dried over Na_2SO_4 and concentrated by rotary evaporation. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 30/1 to 5/1) to afford the product **3**.



3aa, white solid, 85% yield (68.6 mg). m.p. 142-146 °C. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.90 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 2H), 7.68 (s, 4H), 7.45-7.37 (m, 5H), 7.18 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.02-6.97 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 3.70 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 168.08, 166.44, 137.91, 135.51, 134.46, 131.43, 130.16, 129.93, 128.83, 128.76, 128.26, 128.22, 123.45, 76.71, 53.76. IR (film): ν_{max} (cm^{-1}) = 2943, 1755, 1726, 1605, 1572, 1491, 1470, 1449, 1429, 1366, 1346, 1310, 1223, 1111, 926, 790, 758, 719. MS (ESI) m/z 426.1 [M+Na] $^+$; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{18}\text{NO}_4\text{S}$ [M+H] $^+$ 404.0951, found 404.0954.

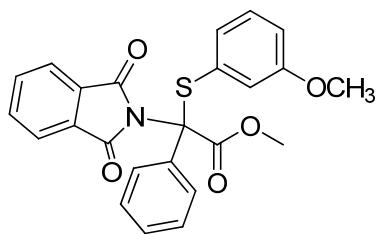


3ba, colorless viscous oil, 82% yield (64.9 mg). ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.90 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.69 (s, 4H), 7.38-7.36 (m, 3H), 7.30 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 6.81 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 2H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 2.16 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 168.13, 166.51, 140.57, 137.87, 135.60, 134.42, 131.53, 129.57, 128.79, 128.28, 128.20, 126.40, 123.44, 76.65, 53.73, 21.36. IR (film): ν_{max} (cm^{-1}) = 2916, 1747, 1728, 1599, 1493, 1470, 1447, 1366, 1346, 1315, 1234, 1111, 1028, 926, 814, 716, 694. MS (ESI) m/z 440.1 [M+Na] $^+$; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{19}\text{NO}_4\text{SNa}$ [M+Na] $^+$ 440.0927, found 440.0920.

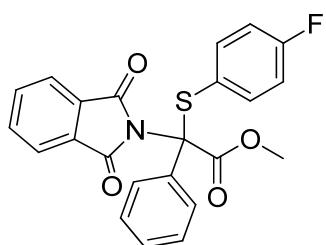


3ca, white solid, 83% yield (72 mg). m.p. 158-160 °C. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.88 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.69 (s, 4H), 7.38-7.32 (m, 5H), 6.52 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 2H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 3.64 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 168.19, 166.54, 161.49, 139.55, 135.69, 134.44, 131.59, 128.78, 128.24, 123.48, 120.70, 114.83, 114.37, 76.65, 55.45, 53.71. IR (film): ν_{max} (cm^{-1}) = 2951, 1742, 1724, 1589, 1491, 1468, 1449, 1425, 1369, 1344, 1314, 1248, 1231, 1173, 1111, 1024, 922, 841, 737, 715, 696. MS (ESI) m/z 456.1 [M+Na] $^+$; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{19}\text{NO}_5\text{SNa}$ [M+Na] $^+$

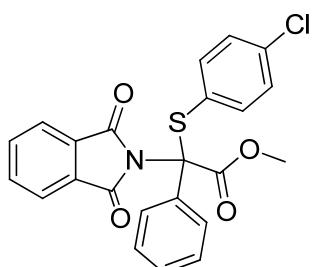
456.0874, found 456.0874.



3da, white solid, 93% yield (80.9 mg). m.p. 110-111 °C. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.90 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.69 (s, 4H), 7.41-7.37 (m, 3H), 7.05 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.94-6.89 (m, 2H), 6.72-6.69 (m, 1H), 3.71 (s, 3H), 3.41 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 168.16, 166.40, 159.39, 135.40, 134.49, 131.51, 130.76, 130.26, 129.55, 128.87, 128.28, 128.21, 123.46, 122.06, 117.13, 76.94, 55.13, 53.84. IR (film): ν_{max} (cm⁻¹) = 2955, 1736, 1724, 1587, 1479, 1367, 1321, 1240, 1113, 1026, 999, 918, 862, 789, 719, 692, 665. MS (ESI) *m/z* 456.0 [M+Na]⁺; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C₂₄H₁₉NO₅SNa [M+Na]⁺ 456.0876, found 456.0877.

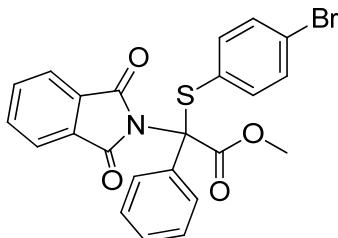


3ea, ivory solid, 77% yield (65 mg). m.p. 129-131 °C. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.88-7.85 (m, 2H), 7.71 (s, 4H), 7.44-7.37 (m, 5H), 6.70 (t, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 3.70 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.99, 166.48, 164.22 (d, *J* = 247.5 Hz), 140.00 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz), 135.37, 134.64, 131.37, 129.18, 128.91, 128.30, 128.14, 123.57, 115.95 (d, *J* = 21.8 Hz), 79.23, 53.80. IR (film): ν_{max} (cm⁻¹) = 2955, 1751, 1726, 1585, 1487, 1449, 1429, 1366, 1350, 1315, 1221, 1109, 1085, 924, 841, 723, 691. MS (ESI) *m/z* 444.1 [M+Na]⁺; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C₂₃H₁₆FNO₄SNa [M+Na]⁺ 444.0676, found 444.0679.

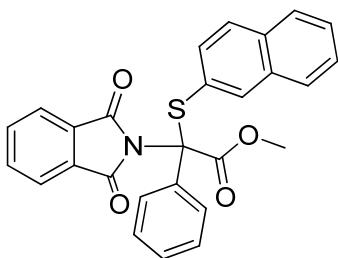


3fa, white solid, 88% yield (74.6 mg). m.p. 109-110 °C. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.86 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.72 (s, 4H), 7.39-7.35 (m, 5H), 6.98 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 3.70 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.93, 166.52, 139.03, 136.86, 135.28, 134.69, 131.35, 129.21, 129.01, 128.34, 128.17, 127.90, 123.63, 79.34, 53.87. IR (film): ν_{max} (cm⁻¹) = 3063, 1744, 1724, 1606, 1582, 1497, 1440, 1366, 1346, 1319,

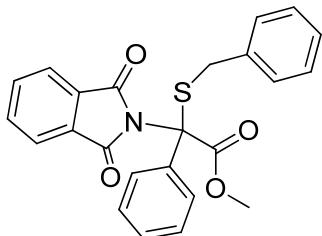
1232, 1111, 997, 930, 868, 785, 718, 694. MS (ESI) m/z 460.0 [M+Na]⁺; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C₂₃H₁₆ClNO₄SNa [M+Na]⁺ 460.0381, found 460.0376.



3ga, white solid, 95% yield (76.8 mg). m.p. 130-131 °C. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.89-7.84 (m, 2H), 7.72 (s, 4H), 7.40-7.37 (m, 2H), 7.38 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.14 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 3.70 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.92, 166.54, 139.23, 134.70, 134.54, 132.01, 131.39, 129.00, 128.34, 128.20, 123.83, 123.64, 114.85, 76.64, 53.87. IR (film): ν_{max} (cm⁻¹) = 2949, 1748, 1726, 1608, 1566, 1470, 1447, 1366, 1346, 1315, 1234, 1175, 1111, 1069, 1009, 926, 820, 783, 716, 694. MS (ESI) m/z 504.0 [M+Na]⁺; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C₂₃H₁₆BrNO₄SNa [M+Na]⁺ 503.9876, found 503.9874

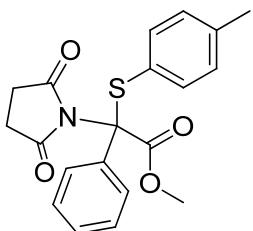


3ha, white solid, 68% yield (61.4 mg). m.p. 123-124 °C. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.93 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 7.77 (s, 1H), 7.65 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.60-7.49 (m, 6H), 7.43-7.33 (m, 4H), 7.26-7.24 (m, 2H), 3.70 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 168.11, 166.48, 138.71, 135.59, 134.90, 134.34, 133.67, 133.21, 131.37, 128.87, 128.31, 128.25, 127.78, 127.62, 127.31, 126.33, 124.25, 123.34, 77.16, 53.76. IR (film): ν_{max} (cm⁻¹) = 2951, 1747, 1728, 1581, 1504, 1470, 1366, 1342, 1315, 1223, 1110, 1082, 926, 864, 818, 733, 714, 694. MS (ESI) m/z 476.0 [M+Na]⁺; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C₂₇H₁₉NO₄SNa [M+Na]⁺ 476.0927, found 476.0924.

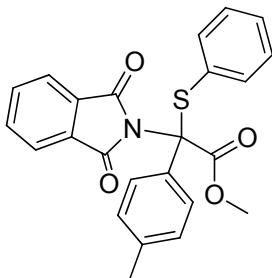


3ia, white solid, 96% yield (77.6 mg). m.p. 127-128 °C. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.81-7.70 (m, 6H), 7.44-7.38 (m, 3H), 7.28 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.11 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.04-7.00 (m, 1H), 3.94 (AB, J = 13.0 Hz, 1H), 3.84 (AB, J = 13.0 Hz, 1H), 3.80 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.99, 167.20, 136.17, 134.69, 134.46, 131.57, 129.26, 128.90, 128.55, 128.45, 128.33, 127.17, 123.70, 73.59, 53.86, 36.18. IR (film):

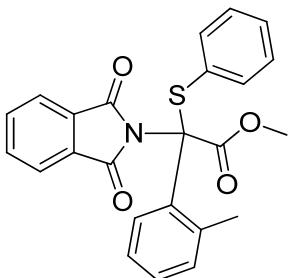
ν_{max} (cm⁻¹) = 2957, 1740, 1721, 1607, 1493, 1472, 1450, 1368, 1319, 1242, 1231, 1115, 1030, 934, 907, 781, 708, 696. MS (ESI) m/z 440.1 [M+Na]⁺; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C₂₄H₁₉NO₄SNa [M+Na]⁺ 440.0927, found 440.0932.



3ja, white solid, 21% yield (15 mg). m.p. 163-164 °C. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.82 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.40-7.35 (m, 5H), 7.06 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 3.64 (s, 3H), 2.49 (s, 4H), 2.32 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 174.85, 167.72, 140.92, 137.81, 135.23, 129.68, 128.75, 128.18, 128.05, 126.55, 76.40, 53.61, 28.13, 21.51. IR (film): ν_{max} (cm⁻¹) = 2957, 1732, 1717, 1597, 1493, 1437, 1408, 1340, 1250, 1186, 1167, 1061, 1003, 903, 874, 810, 741, 719, 692. MS (ESI) m/z 392.1 [M+Na]⁺; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C₂₀H₁₉NO₄SNa [M+Na]⁺ 392.0927, found 392.0929.

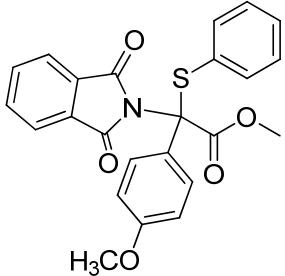


3ab, white solid, 96% yield (80.9 mg). m.p. 136-139 °C. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.88 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.67 (s, 4H), 7.44 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.20-7.14 (m, 3H), 6.99 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 2.37 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 168.21, 166.48, 138.76, 137.91, 134.43, 132.54, 131.51, 130.11, 129.62, 129.01, 128.77, 128.20, 123.44, 76.69, 53.73, 21.31. IR (film): ν_{max} (cm⁻¹) = 2959, 1753, 1724, 1608, 1572, 1508, 1466, 1437, 1366, 1312, 1221, 1111, 920, 868, 719, 652. MS (ESI) m/z 440.1 [M+Na]⁺; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C₂₄H₁₉NO₄SNa [M+Na]⁺ 440.0927, found 440.0933.

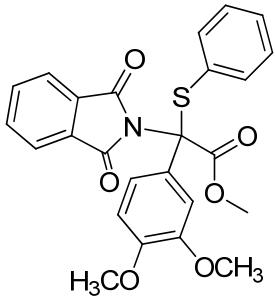


3ac, white solid, 44% yield (37.0 mg). m.p. 158-160 °C. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.08-8.05 (m, 1H), 7.69 (s, 4H), 7.42 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.25-7.22 (m, 2H), 7.12-7.09 (m, 2H), 6.96 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 3.78 (s, 3H), 2.42 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75

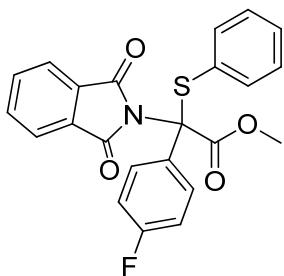
MHz, CDCl₃) δ 168.02, 166.37, 137.81, 137.18, 134.50, 133.72, 133.01, 131.37, 130.36, 129.95, 129.15, 128.72, 128.53, 126.03, 123.48, 76.20, 53.88, 21.73. IR (film): ν_{max} (cm⁻¹) = 2947, 1751, 1726, 1607, 1468, 1365, 1315, 1220, 1130, 1101, 924, 754, 715, 696. MS (ESI) *m/z* 440.1 [M+Na]⁺; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C₂₄H₁₉NO₄SNa [M+Na]⁺ 440.0927, found 440.0924.



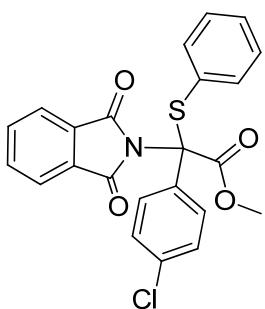
3ad, ivory solid, 83% yield (71.7 mg). m.p. 197-198 °C. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.82 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 7.68 (s, 4H), 7.42 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.16 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.00 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 6.91 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 3.69 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 168.23, 166.51, 160.00, 137.82, 134.43, 131.48, 130.11, 129.71, 128.77, 127.29, 123.44, 113.60, 77.68, 76.40, 55.48, 53.69. IR (film): ν_{max} (cm⁻¹) = 2943, 1753, 1726, 1605, 1464, 1437, 1366, 1314, 1254, 1221, 1177, 1107, 1034, 1009, 918, 829, 789, 754, 721, 694. MS (ESI) *m/z* 456.1 [M+Na]⁺; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C₂₄H₁₉NO₅SNa [M+Na]⁺ 456.0876, found 456.0877.



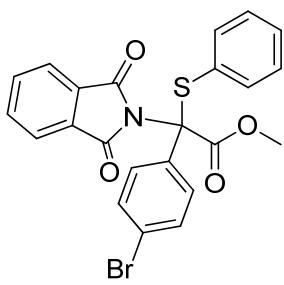
3ae, white solid, 81% yield (71.3mg). m.p. 145-146 °C. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.68 (s, 4H), 7.49 (dd, *J* = 1.7, 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.43-7.41 (m, 3H), 7.17 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.00 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 6.87 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 3.89 (s, 3H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 3.69 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 168.13, 166.52, 149.60, 148.63, 137.78, 134.46, 131.52, 130.16, 128.80, 127.75, 123.48, 121.25, 112.22, 110.61, 76.43, 56.33, 56.07, 53.70. IR (film): ν_{max} (cm⁻¹) = 2951, 1741, 1724, 1602, 1589, 1516, 1466, 1441, 1410, 1366, 1314, 1258, 1240, 1148, 1111, 1024, 947, 726, 692, 648. MS (ESI) *m/z* 486.1 [M+Na]⁺; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C₂₅H₂₁NO₆SNa [M+Na]⁺ 486.0982, found 486.0985.



3af, white solid, 94% yield (64.7 mg). m.p. 108-111 °C. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.93-7.89 (m, 2H), 7.69 (s, 4H), 7.40 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.18 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.09-6.98 (m, 4H), 3.70 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.98, 166.45, 163.00 (d, *J* = 247.5 Hz), 137.85, 134.57, 131.39, 130.43, 130.32, 129.80, 129.60, 128.86, 123.53, 115.18 (d, *J* = 21.8 Hz), 78.31, 53.82. IR (film): ν_{max} (cm⁻¹) = 2947, 1757, 1724, 1602, 1508, 1468, 1429, 1366, 1344, 1312, 1233, 1215, 1109, 922, 841, 810, 756, 719, 696. MS (ESI) *m/z* 444.1 [M+Na]⁺; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C₂₃H₁₆FNO₄SNa [M+Na]⁺ 444.0676, found 444.0672.

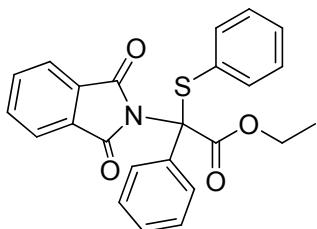


3ag, white solid, 79% yield (70.0 mg). m.p. 141-143 °C. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.87 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.69 (s, 4H), 7.41-7.34 (m, 4H), 7.19 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.00 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 3.70 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.81, 166.40, 137.90, 134.61, 134.18, 131.38, 130.38, 129.86, 128.99, 128.90, 128.44, 123.95, 123.56, 76.98, 53.93. IR (film): ν_{max} (cm⁻¹) = 2957, 1751, 1726, 1611, 1572, 1491, 1468, 1435, 1366, 1312, 1221, 1111, 1086, 1015, 920, 870, 762, 719, 696. MS (ESI) *m/z* 460.0 [M+Na]⁺; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C₂₃H₁₆ClNO₄SNa [M+Na]⁺ 460.0381, found 460.0381.

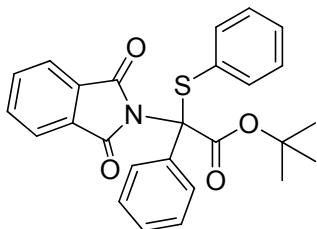


3ah, white solid, 77% yield (62.3 mg). m.p. 135-138 °C. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.80 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.69 (s, 4H), 7.50 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.39 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.18 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.00 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 3.70 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.74, 166.38, 137.90, 134.78, 134.61, 131.40, 130.38, 130.23, 130.16, 129.60, 128.90, 123.56, 123.33, 76.24, 53.94. IR (film): ν_{max} (cm⁻¹) = 2959,

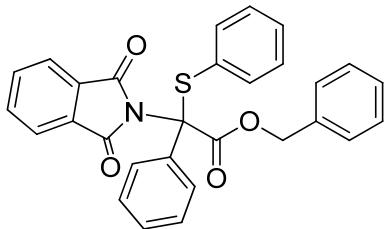
1753, 1726, 1608, 1572, 1487, 1468, 1437, 1366, 1312, 1221, 1111, 1078, 1011, 920, 796, 718, 696. MS (ESI) m/z 504.0 [M+Na]⁺; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C₂₃H₁₆BrNO₄SnA [M+Na]⁺ 503.9876, found 503.9870.



3ai, white solid, 90% yield (75 mg). m.p. 122-123 °C. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.93 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 7.68 (s, 4H), 7.44-7.37 (m, 5H), 7.17 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 6.99 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 4.19-4.14 (m, 2H), 1.15 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.63, 166.42, 137.90, 135.55, 134.44, 131.50, 130.11, 128.79, 128.77, 128.39, 128.13, 123.44, 77.42, 63.12, 13.91. IR (film): ν_{max} (cm⁻¹) = 2978, 1751, 1724, 1597, 1487, 1468, 1439, 1354, 1319, 1228, 1113, 1078, 1024, 957, 908, 797, 752, 723, 692, 661. MS (ESI) m/z 440.1 [M+Na]⁺; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C₂₄H₁₉NO₄SnA [M+Na]⁺ 440.0927, found 440.0924.

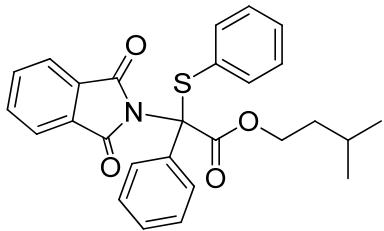


3aj, white solid, 85% yield (76 mg). m.p. 160-161 °C. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.96-7.93 (m, 2H), 7.67 (s, 4H), 7.41-7.36 (m, 5H), 7.14 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.96 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 1.34 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.62, 166.34, 137.79, 135.59, 134.32, 131.54, 130.38, 129.93, 128.70, 128.62, 128.55, 127.88, 123.34, 84.05, 77.86, 27.66. IR (film): ν_{max} (cm⁻¹) = 2967, 1736, 1726, 1610, 1574, 1472, 1445, 1369, 1317, 1252, 1150, 1110, 962, 903, 835, 793, 752, 718, 689. MS (ESI) m/z 468.1 [M+Na]⁺; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C₂₆H₂₃NO₄SK [M+K]⁺ 484.0979, found 484.0977.



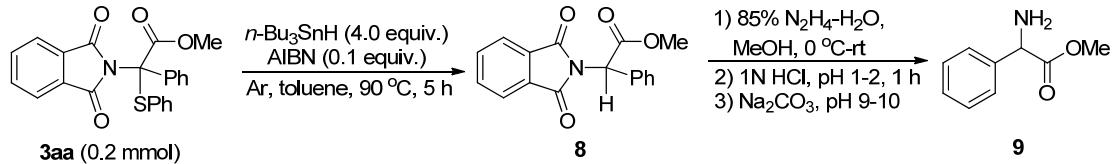
3ak, white solid, 96% yield (92 mg). m.p. 104-105 °C. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.89-7.86 (m, 2H), 7.69-7.66 (m, 4H), 7.43 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.36-7.34 (m, 3H), 7.25-7.21 (m, 3H), 7.16 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.07-7.05 (m, 2H), 6.97 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 5.23 (AB, J = 12.4 Hz, 1H); 5.02 (AB, J = 12.4 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz,

CDCl_3) δ 167.38, 166.41, 138.03, 135.42, 135.29, 134.46, 132.10, 131.48, 130.17, 129.90, 128.83, 128.78, 128.55, 128.31, 128.21, 128.08, 123.46, 77.12, 68.55. IR (film): ν_{max} (cm^{-1}) = 3063, 1744, 1724, 1607, 1495, 1470, 1441, 1366, 1346, 1319, 1231, 1111, 997, 924, 868, 787, 718, 692. MS (ESI) m/z 502.1 [M+Na] $^+$; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{21}\text{NO}_4\text{SNa}$ [M+Na] $^+$ 502.1083, found 502.1086.



3al, colorless viscous oil, 81% yield (73.5 mg). ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.91 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 7.68 (s, 4H), 7.44-7.36 (m, 5H), 7.17 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.99 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 4.24-4.06 (m, 2H), 1.46-1.38 (m, 3H), 0.78 (d, J = 5.4 Hz, 6H). ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.64, 166.43, 137.93, 135.56, 134.45, 131.50, 130.12, 128.78, 128.57, 128.35, 128.14, 123.44, 76.98, 65.71, 37.01, 25.05, 22.54, 22.46. IR (film): ν_{max} (cm^{-1}) = 2957, 1744, 1726, 1611, 1468, 1447, 1439, 1366, 1344, 1315, 1220, 1173, 1111, 1080, 926, 752, 716, 692. MS (ESI) m/z 482.1 [M+Na] $^+$; HRMS (ESI) calcd. for $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{25}\text{NO}_4\text{SNa}$ [M+Na] $^+$ 482.1397, found 482.1399.

Transformation of the product **3aa**.



The product **3aa** (84 mg, 0.208 mmol) solved in dry toluene (1 mL) were added to 25 mL three-necked bottle under argon condition. $n\text{-Bu}_3\text{SnH}$ (234 μL , 0.87 mmol) and AIBN (3.4 mg, 0.02 mmol) were dissolved in dry toluene (1 mL), and then added dropwise to the reaction bottle over 3 min, and then the reaction was conducted at 90 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ for 5 h. After the reaction completed, cooled to the room temperature, added saturated KF solution (5 mL) and stirred for 30 min, then extracted with EtOAc (20 mL x 3), The combined extracts were washed with brine, and dried over Na_2SO_4 , concentrated and dried in vacuo to provide the crude product, purified by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10/1) to afford the product **8**, white solid, 95% yield (58 mg). m.p. 87-88 $^{\circ}\text{C}$. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.87- 7.84 (m, 2H), 7.73-7.71(m, 2H), 7.56-7.53(m, 2H), 7.38-7.32(m, 3H), 6.02(s, 1H), 3.81(s, 3H). MS (ESI) m/z 318.1 [M+Na] $^+$.

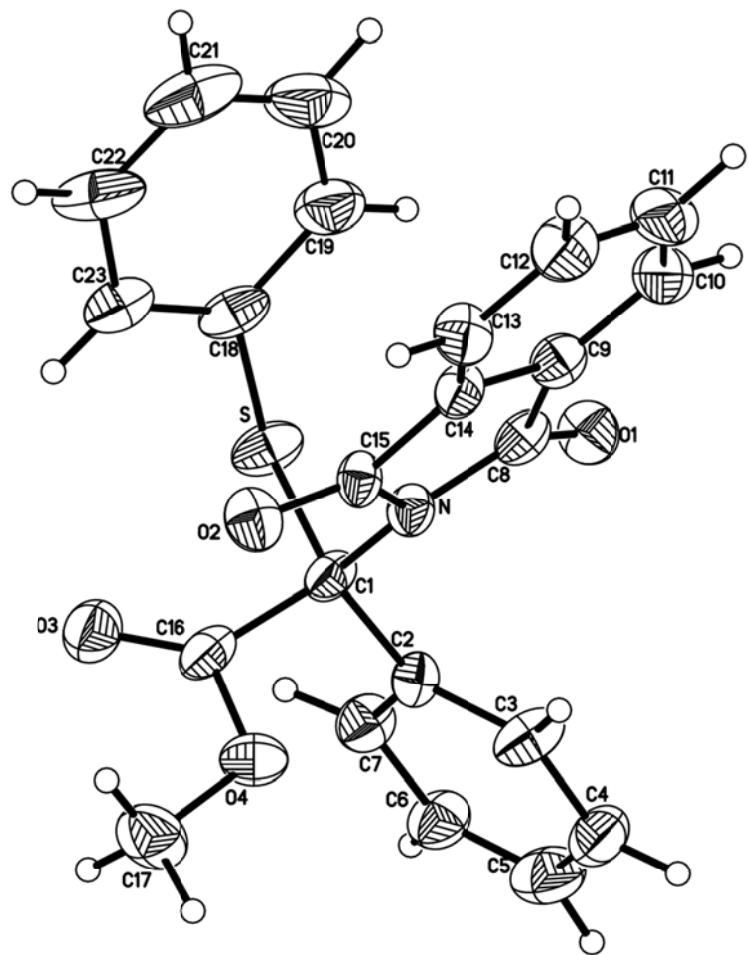
Compound **8** (91.3 mg, 0.3 mmol) was dissolved in MeOH (3 mL), stirred at 0 $^{\circ}\text{C}$. 85% hydrazine hydrate (95 μL , 1.5 mmol) was added dropwise over 2 min. The reaction was stirred at 0 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ for 1 h, and then warmed up to room temperature and

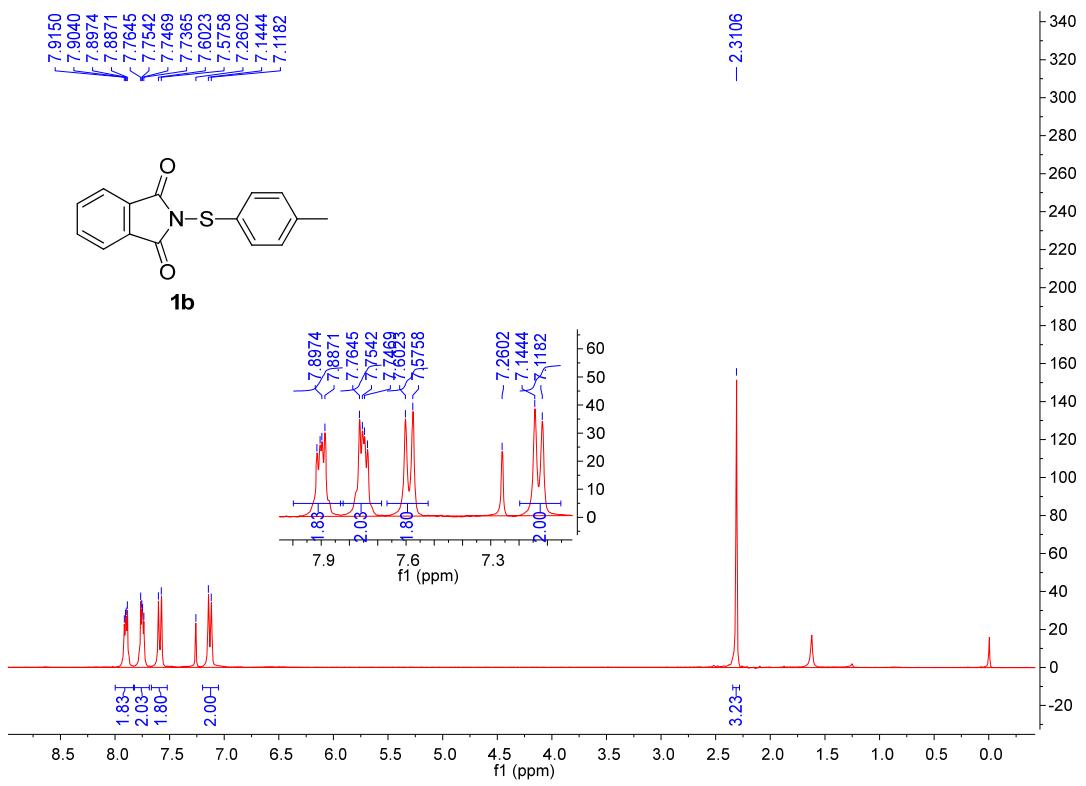
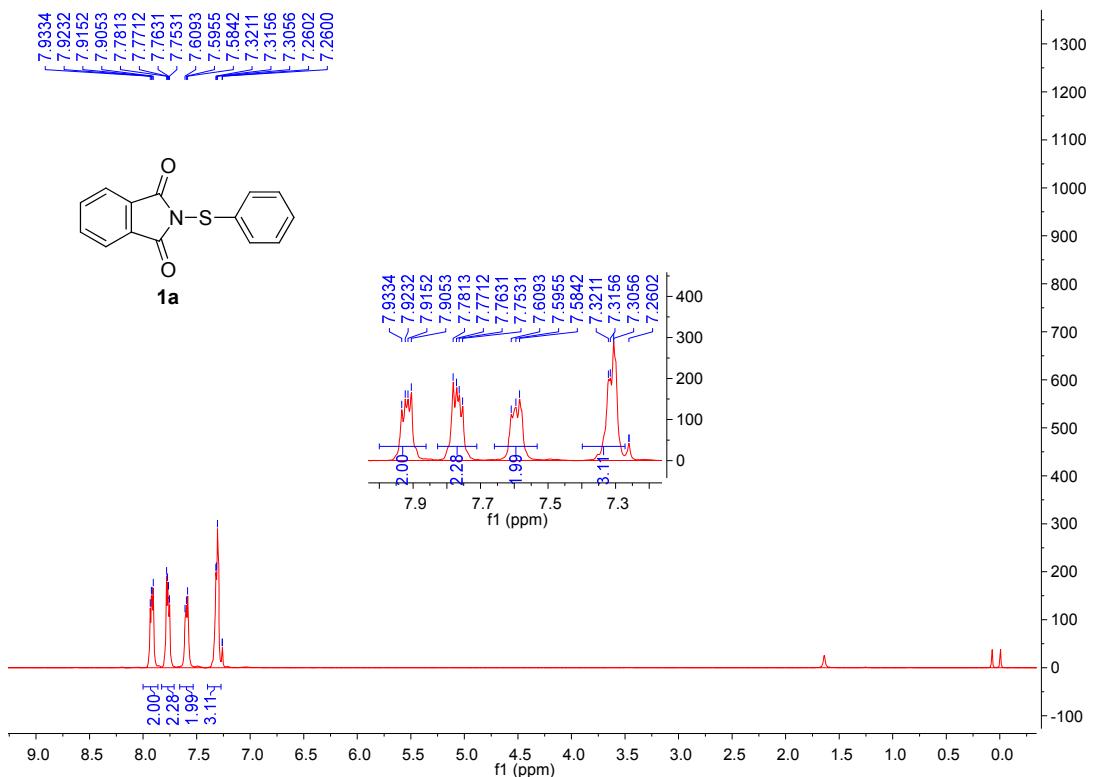
reacted overnight. After the reaction completed, the solvents were removed in vacuo and the residue was dissolved in water (5 mL). The pH of solution was then adjusted to 1-2 by adding 1N HCl at 0 °C. The whole mixture was stirred for 1 h at rt, and then filtered. The filtrate was treated with solid Na₂CO₃ until the pH reached at 9-10. The mixture was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL x 3). The combined extracts were dried over Na₂SO₄, concentrated and dried in vacuo to provide a yellow oil (46 mg, 90% yield). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.39-7.26 (m, 5H), 4.61 (s, 3H), 3.70 (s, 3H), 2.02 (br s, 2H). MS (ESI) *m/z* 166.2 [M+H]⁺.

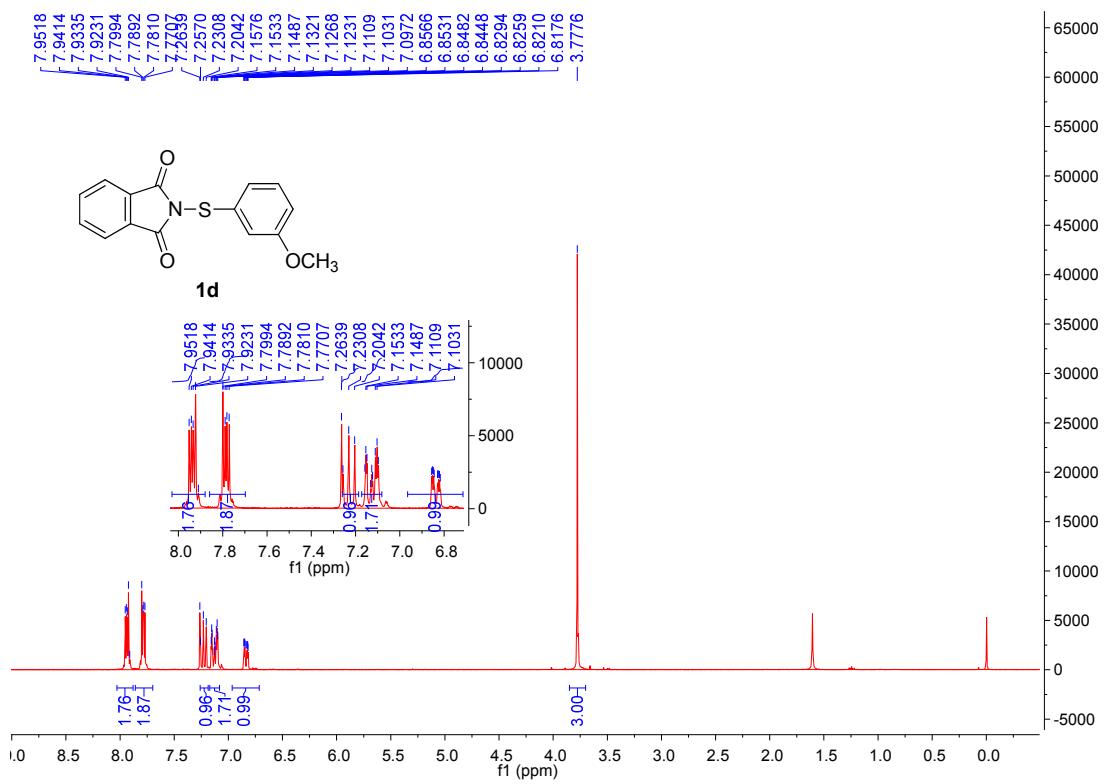
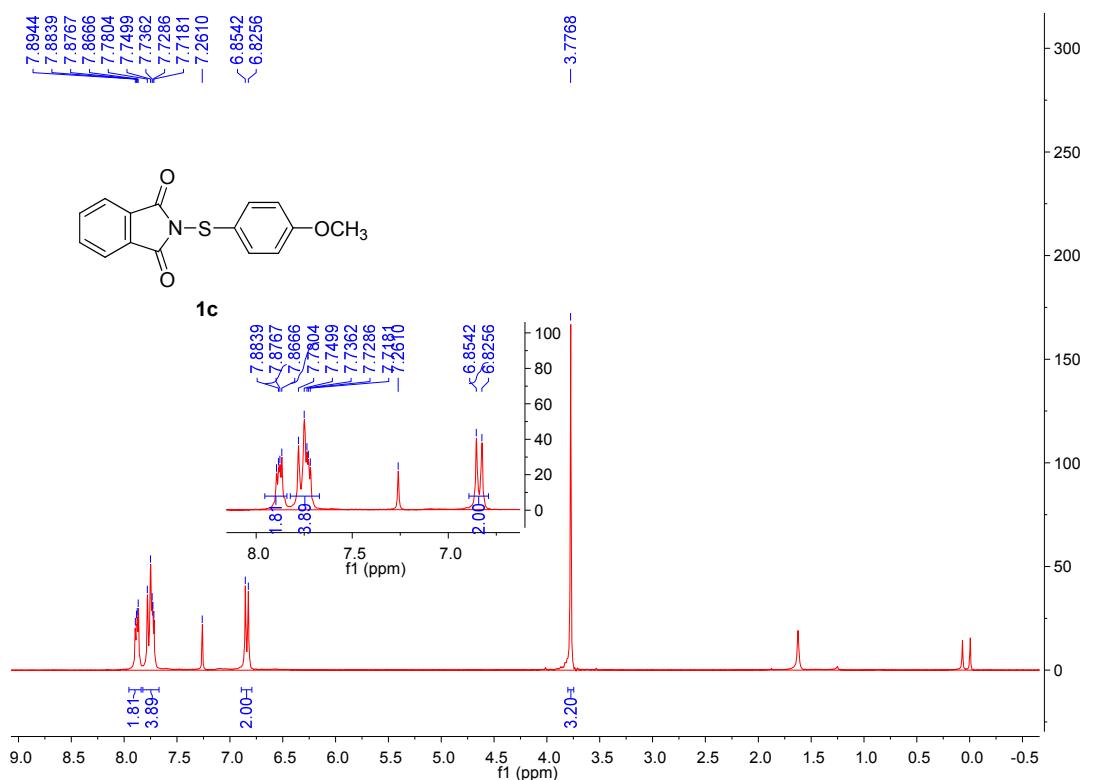
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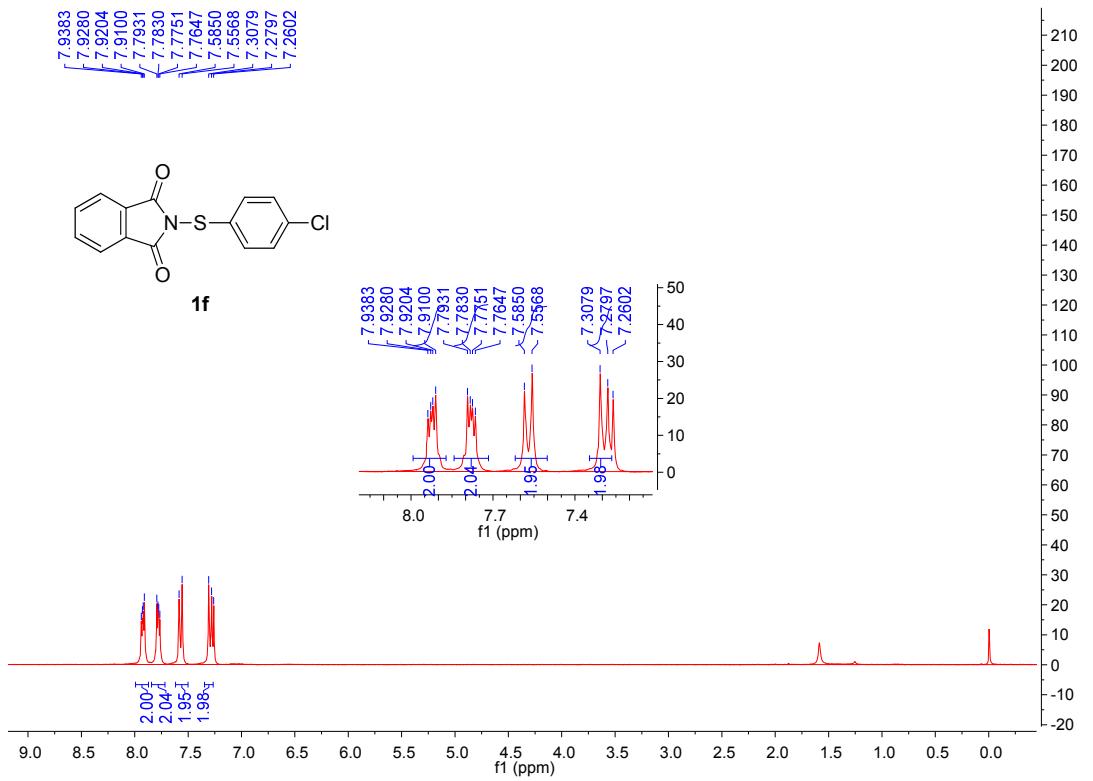
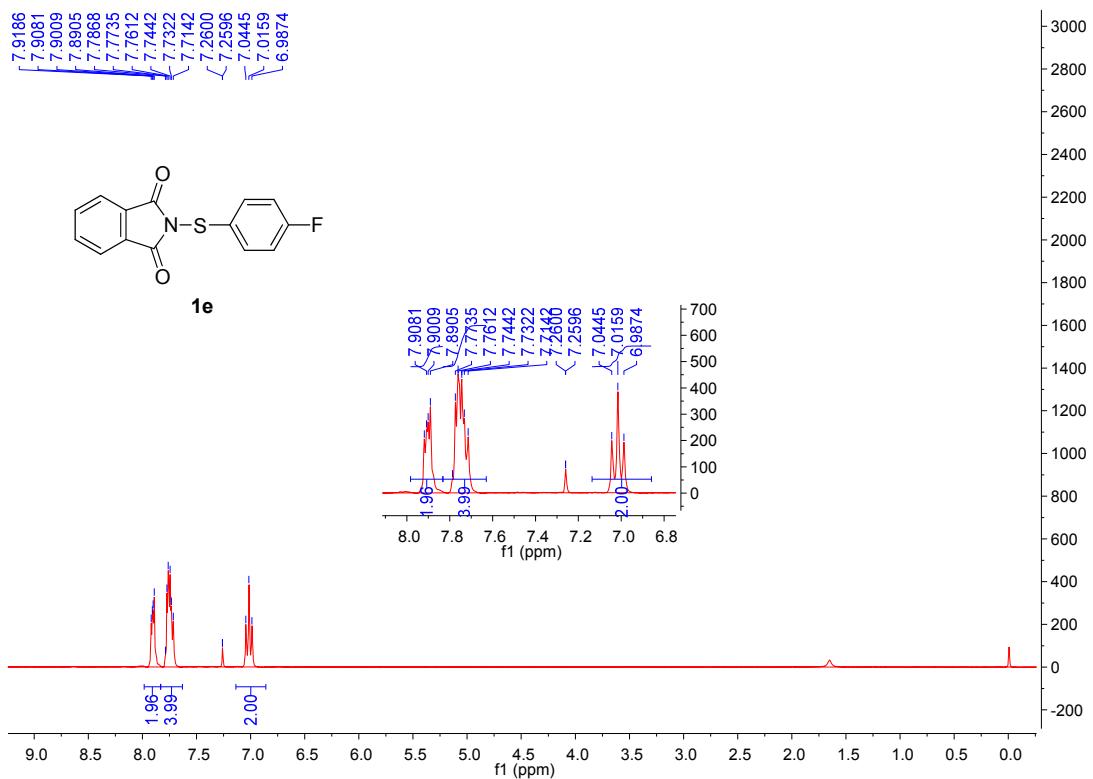
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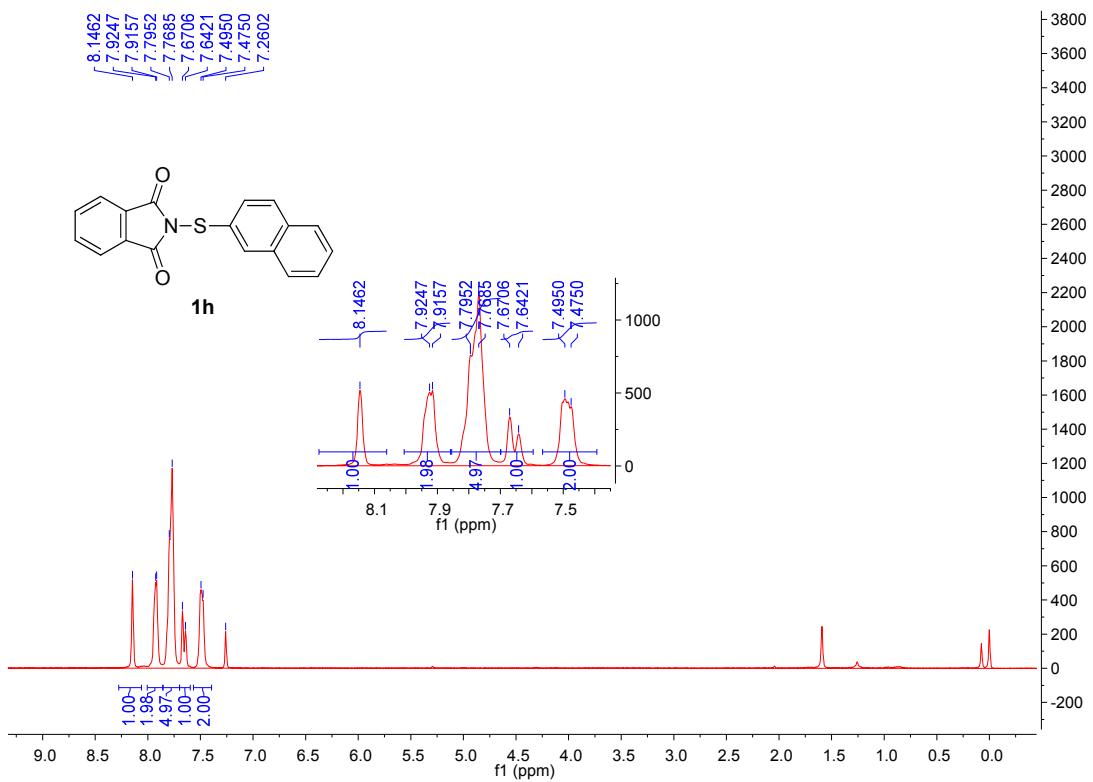
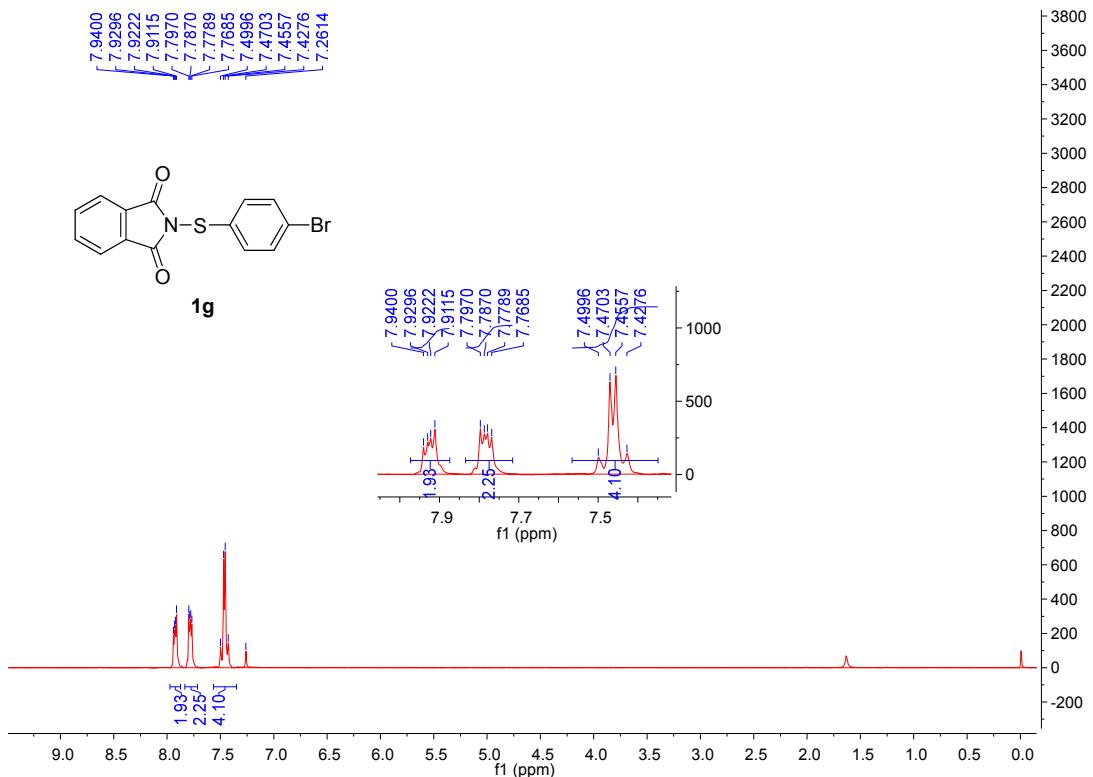
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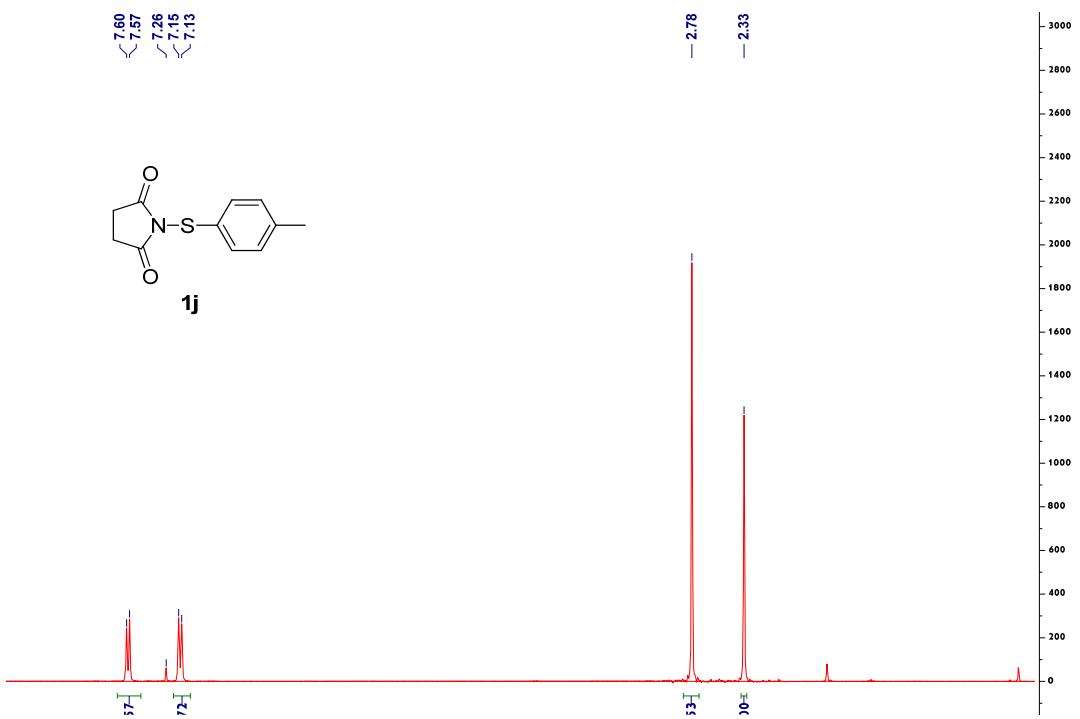
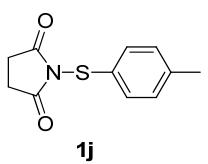
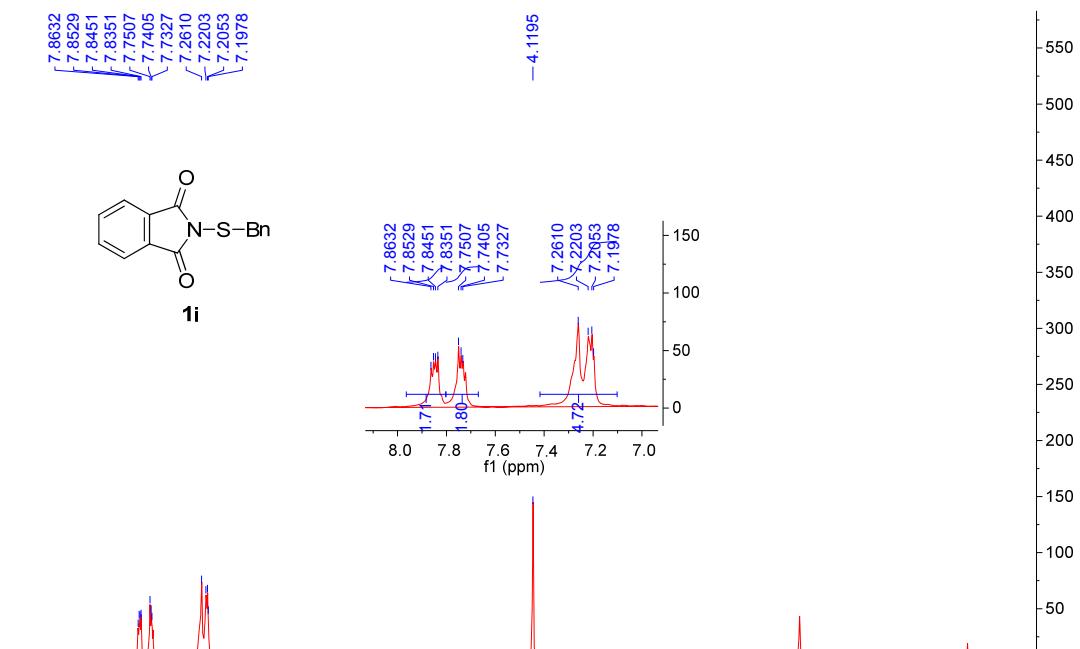
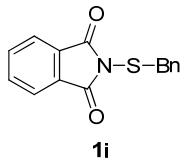


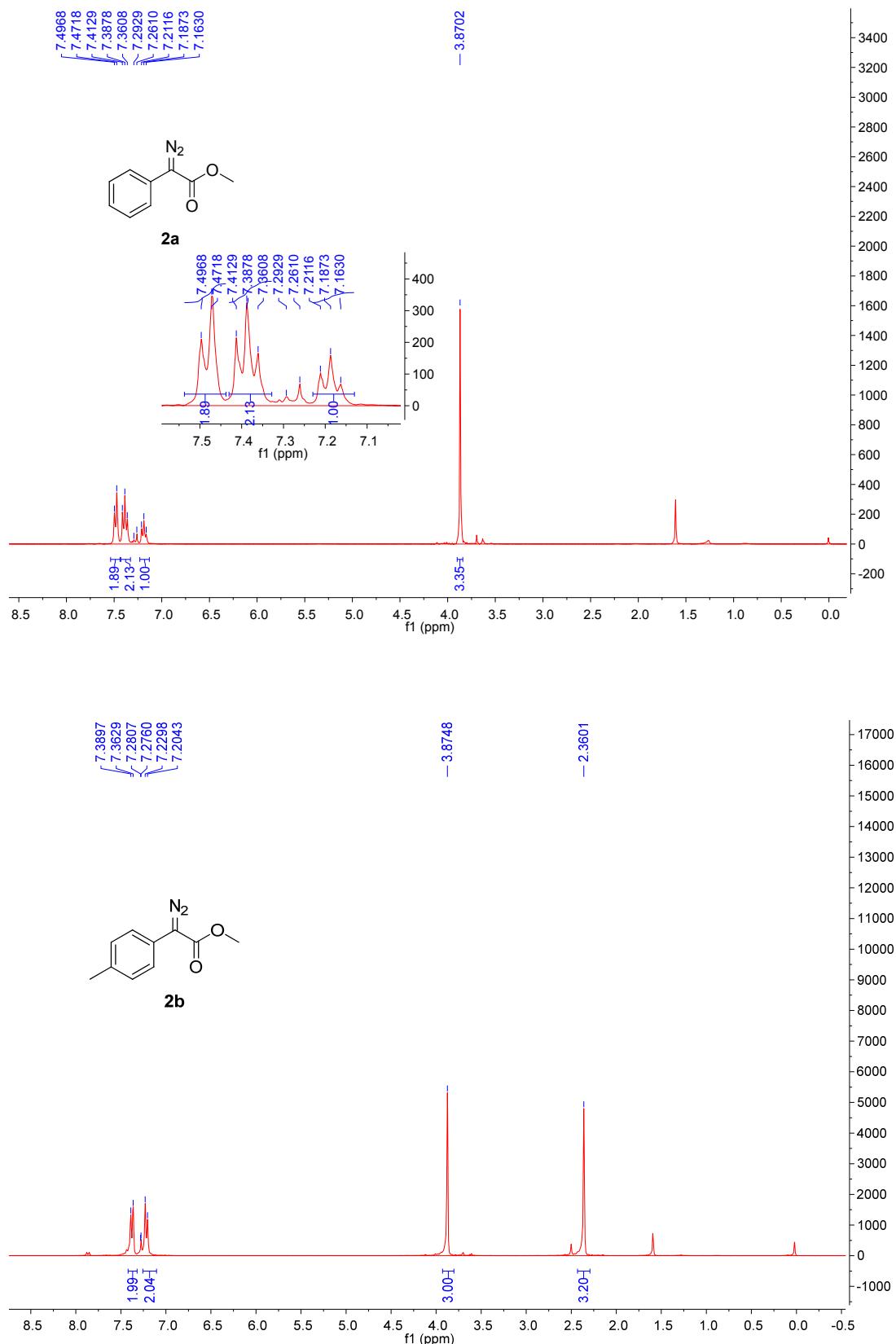


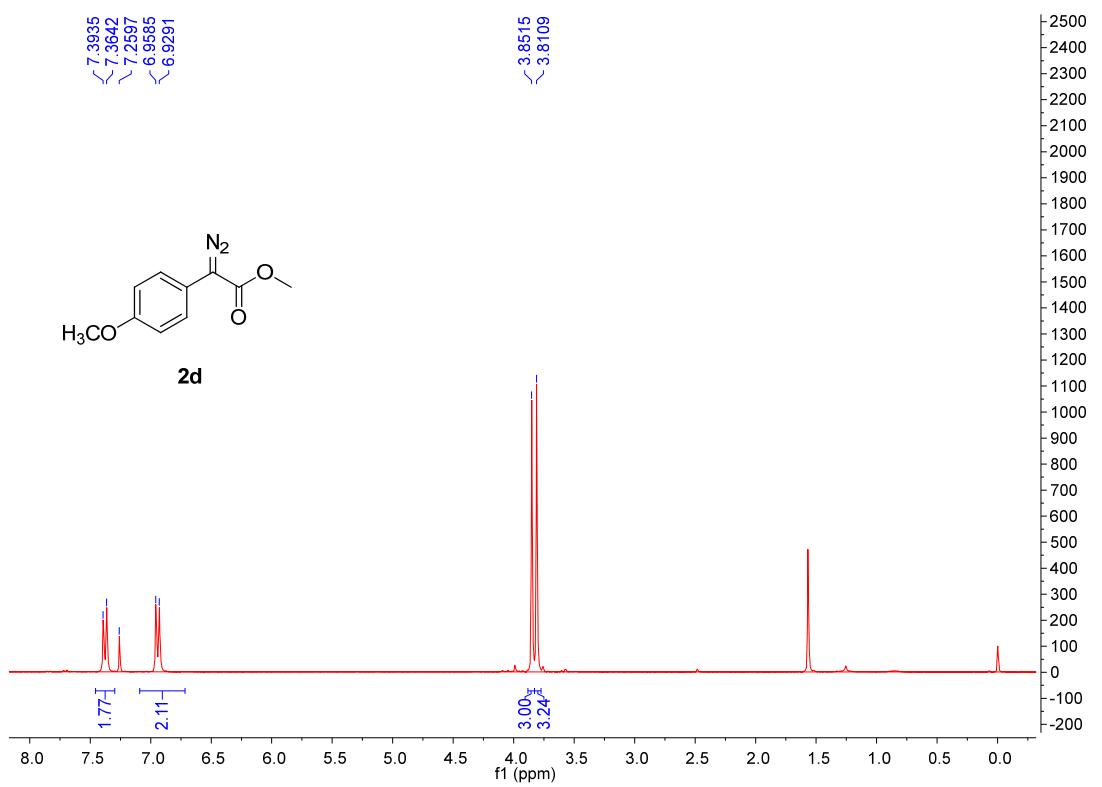
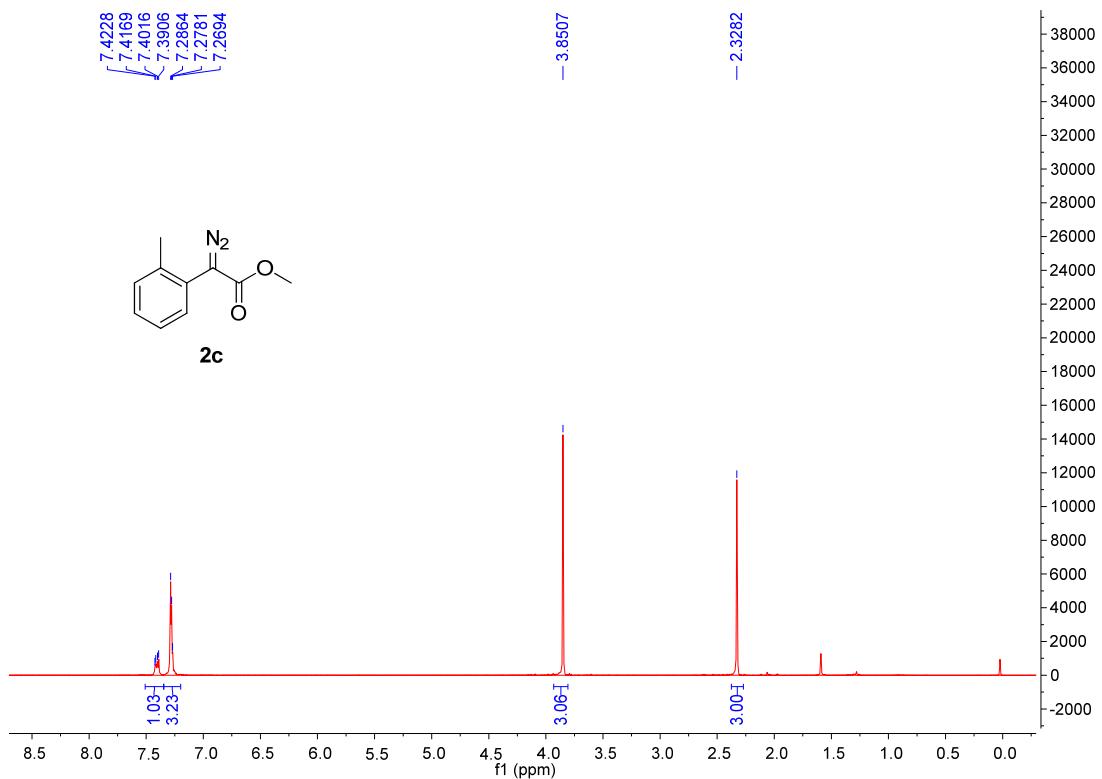


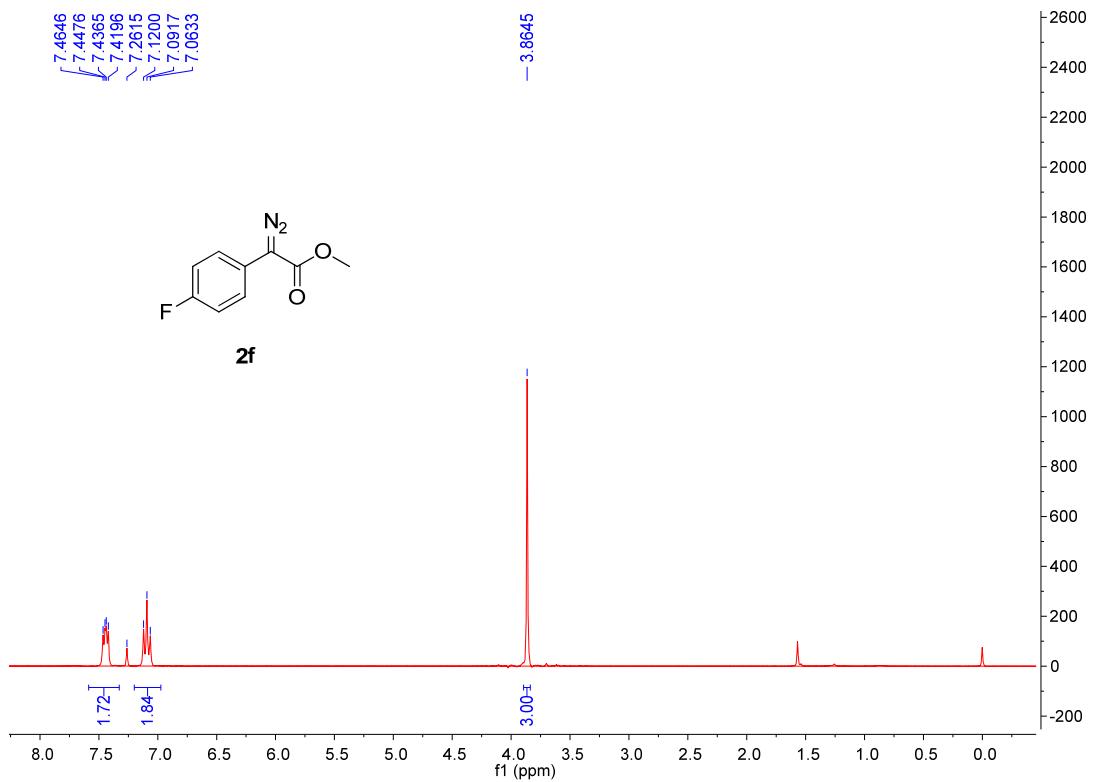
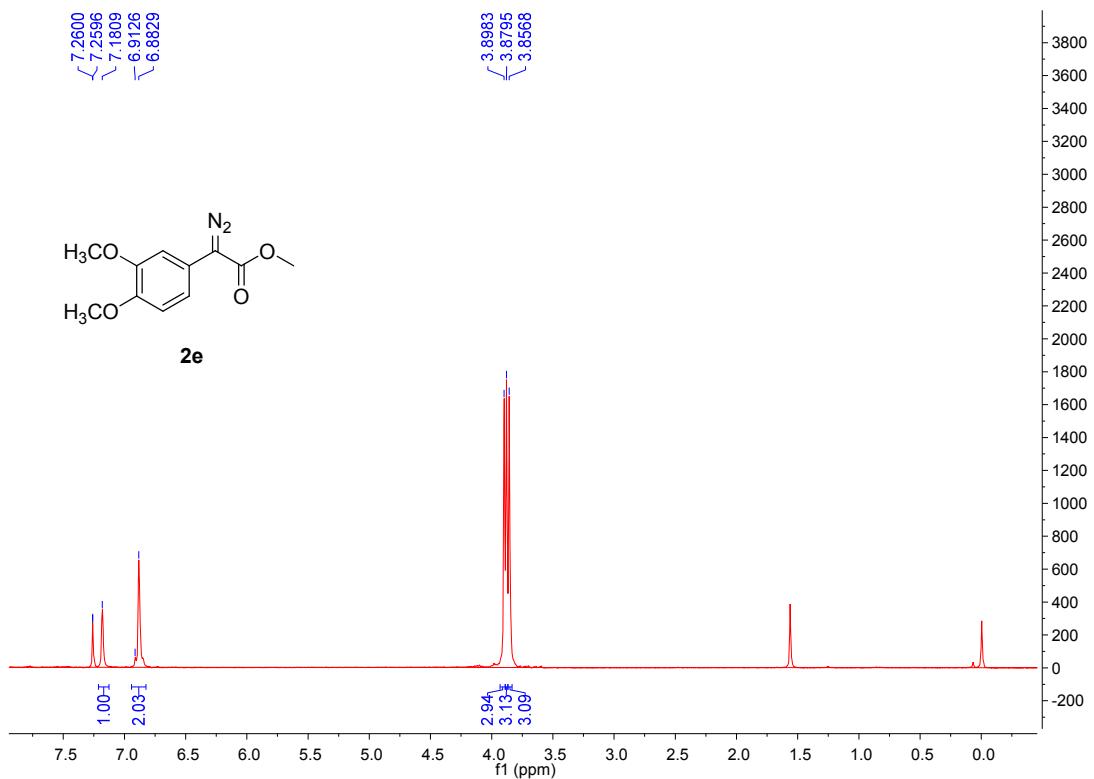


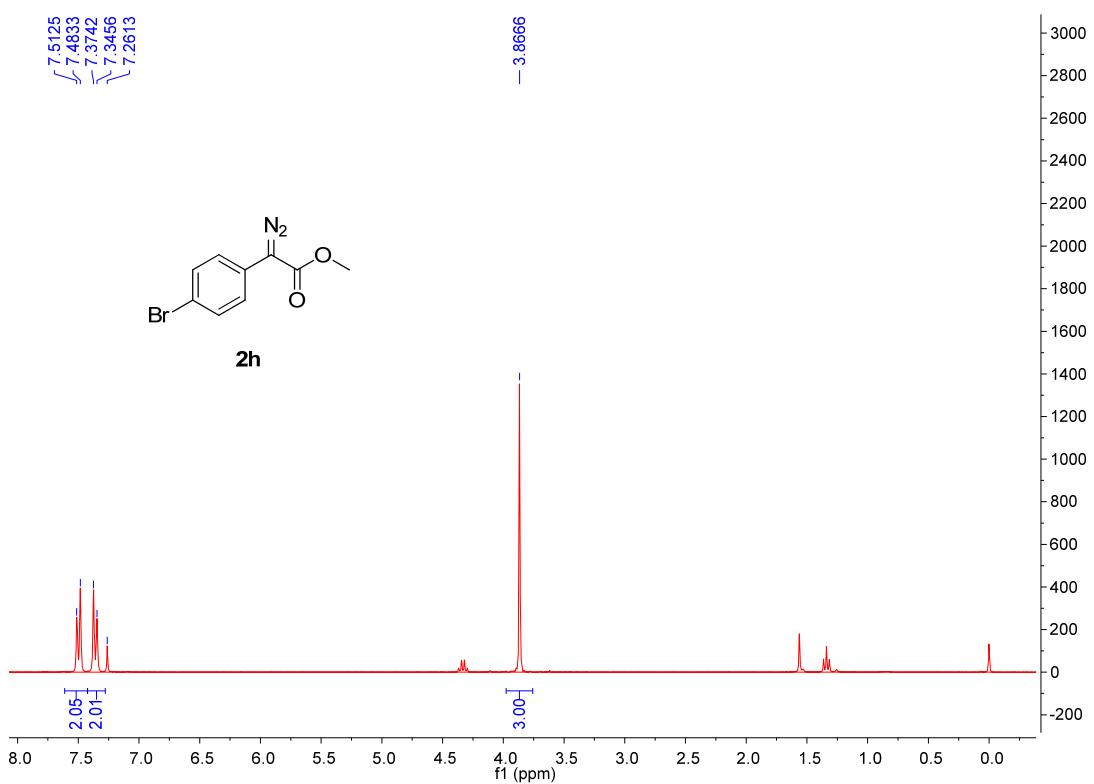
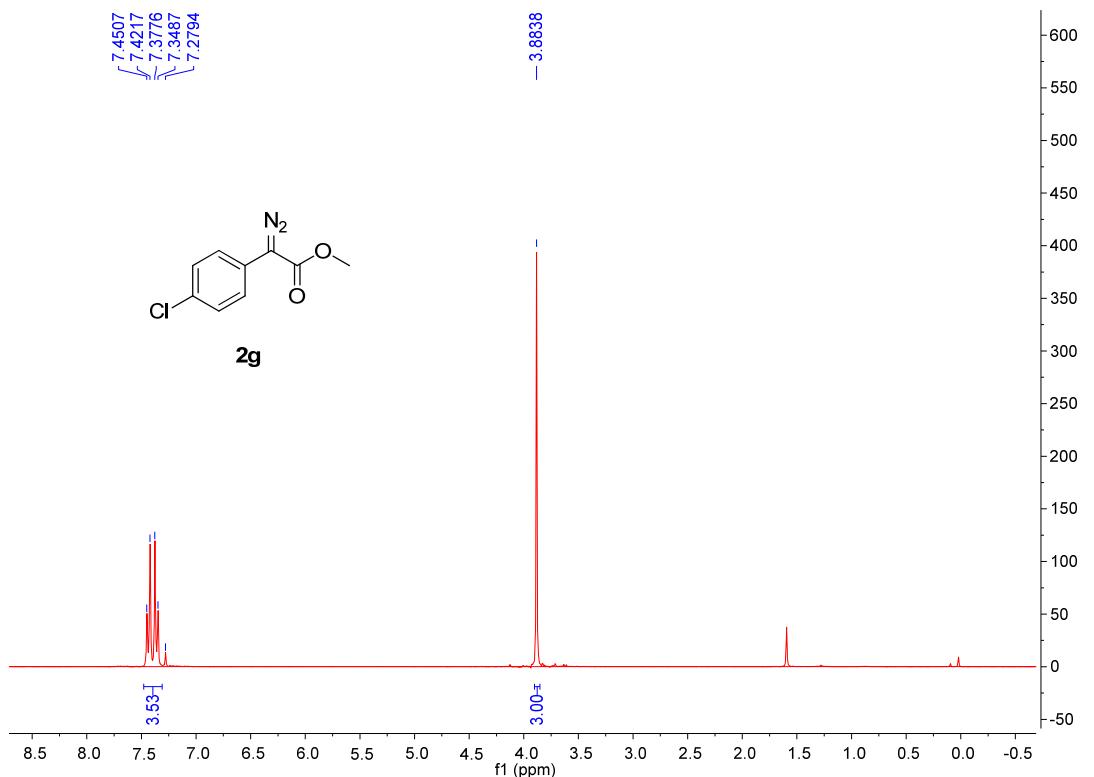


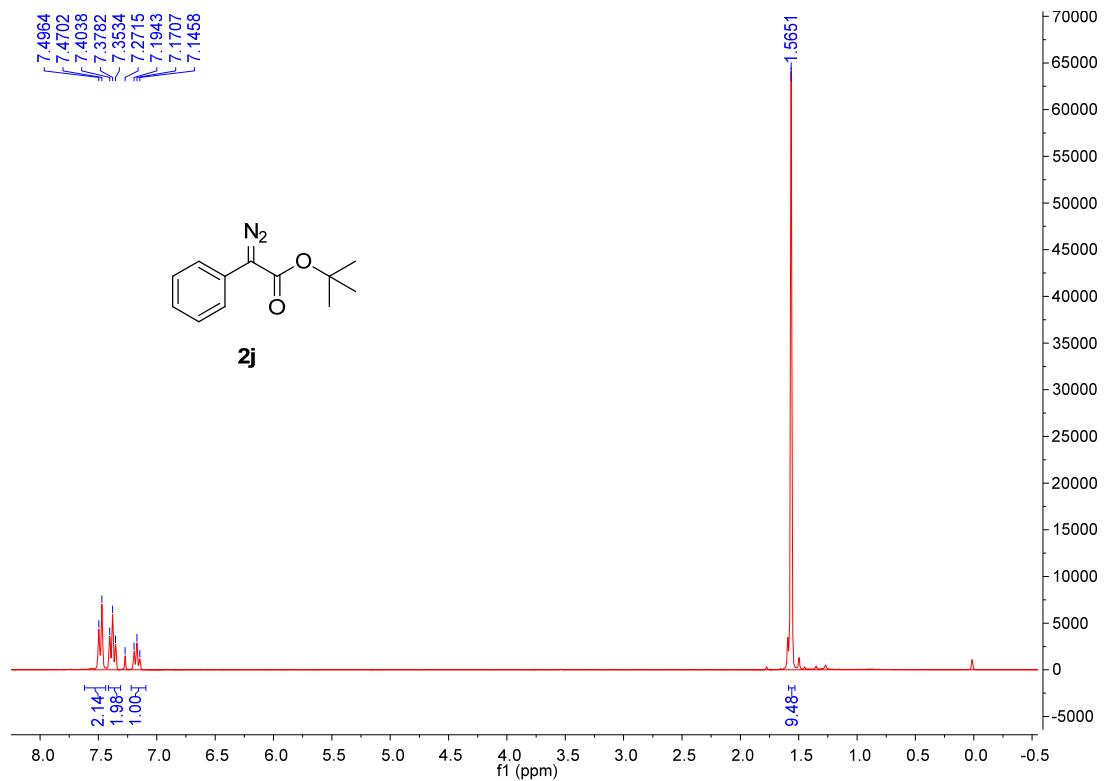
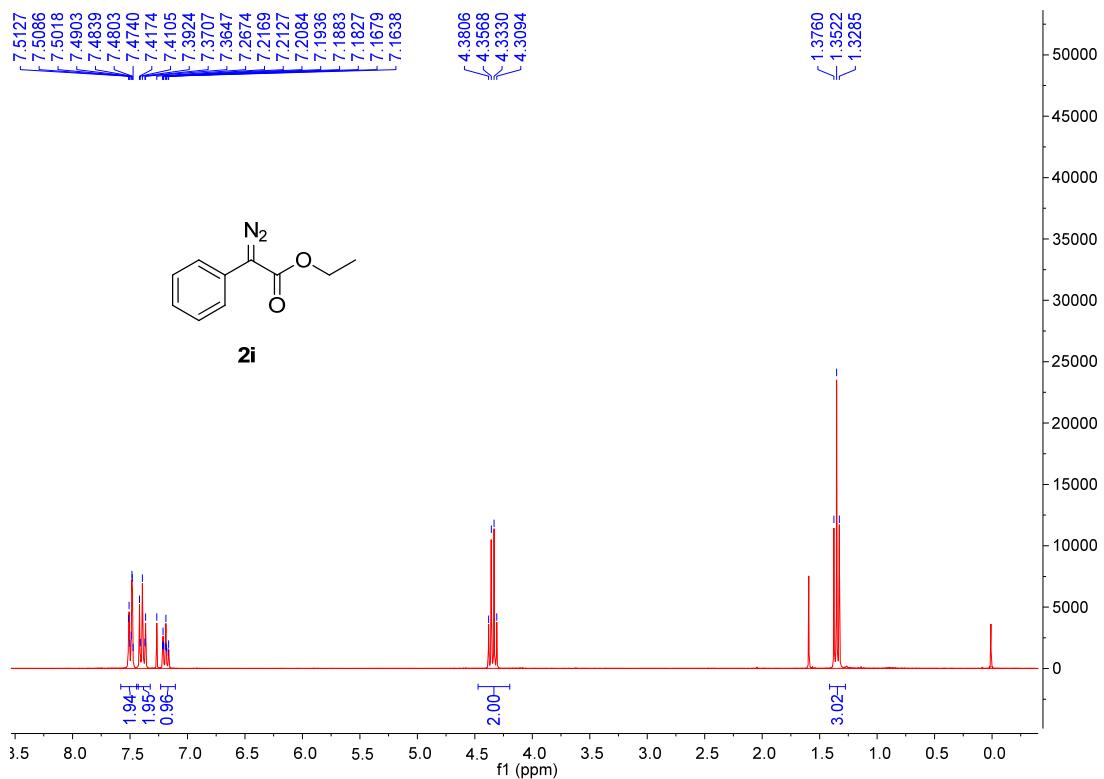


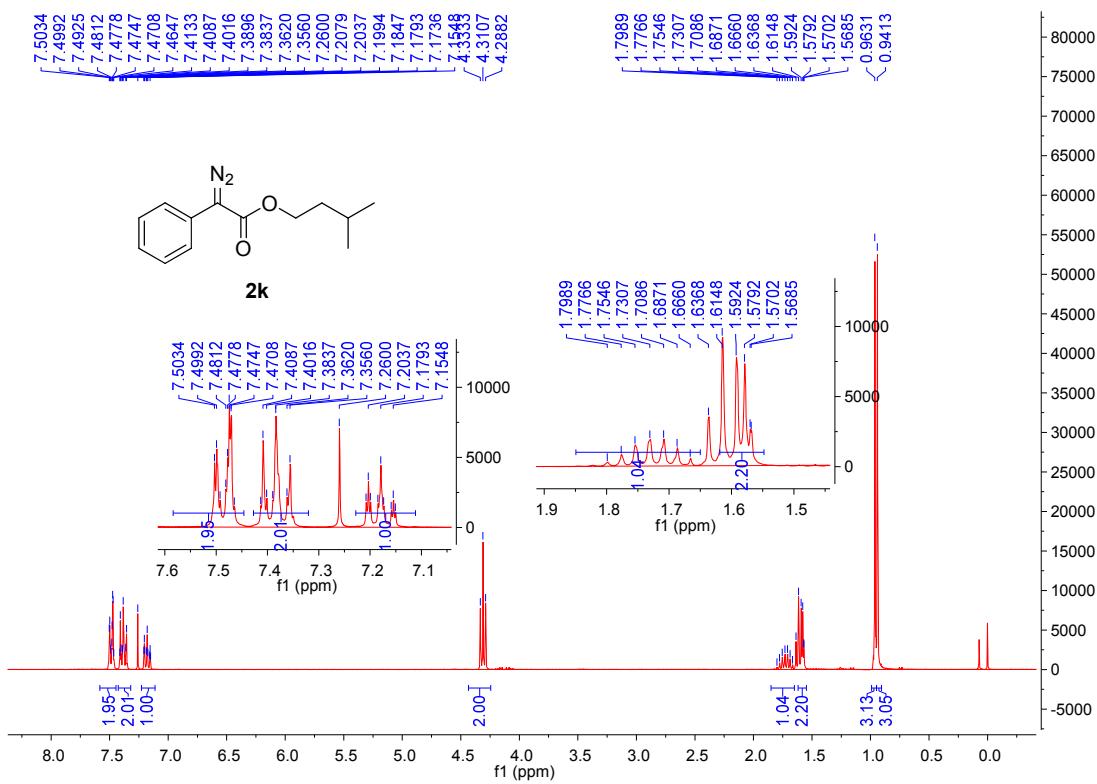
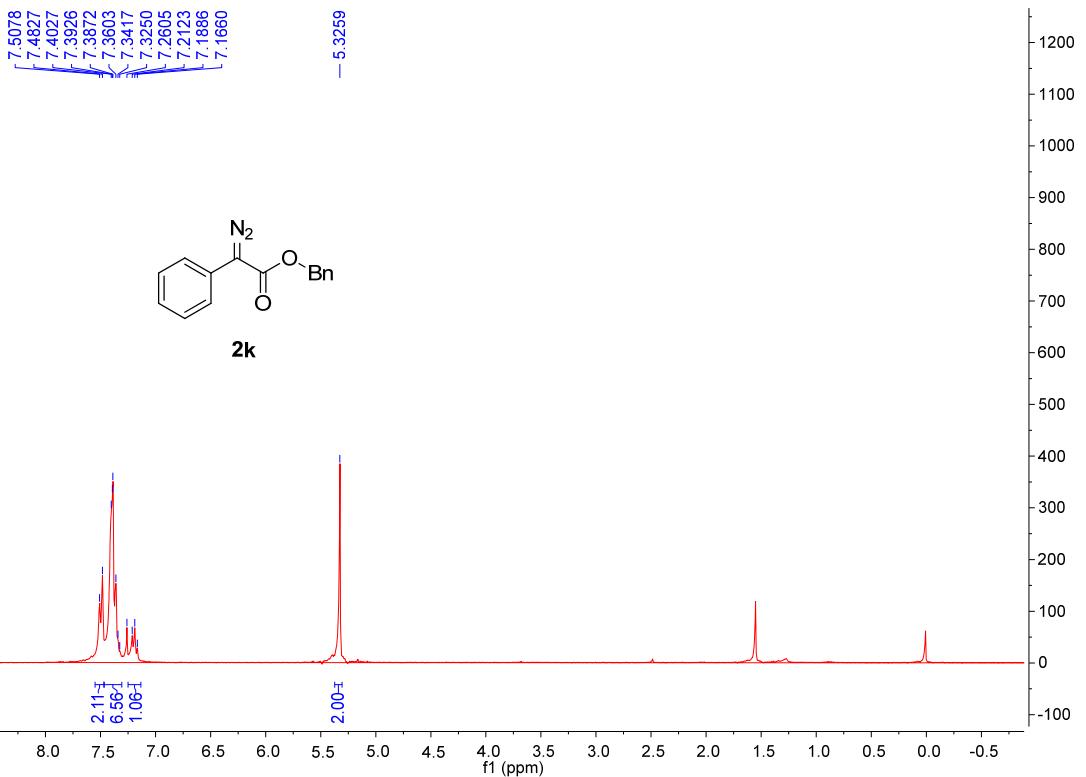


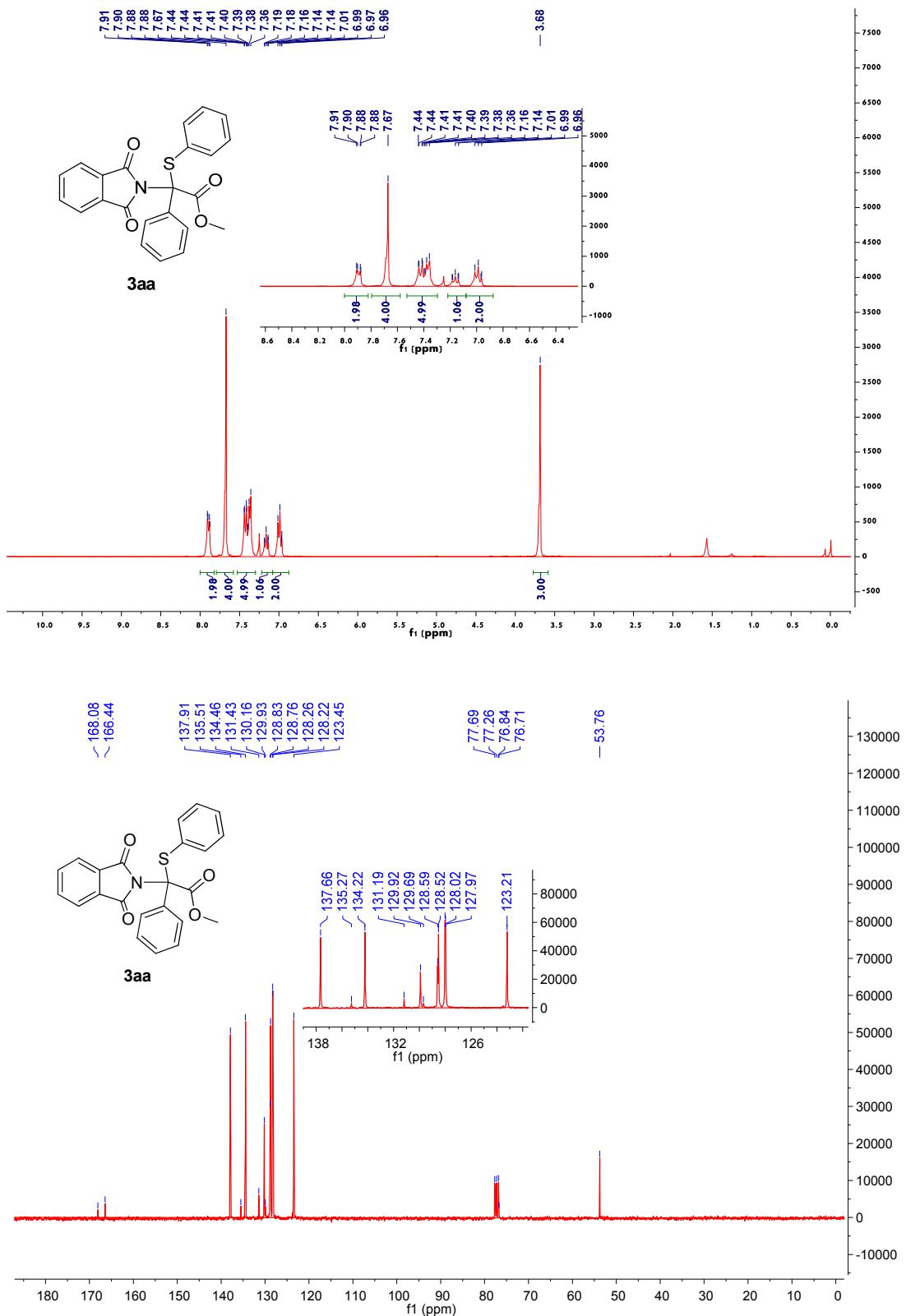






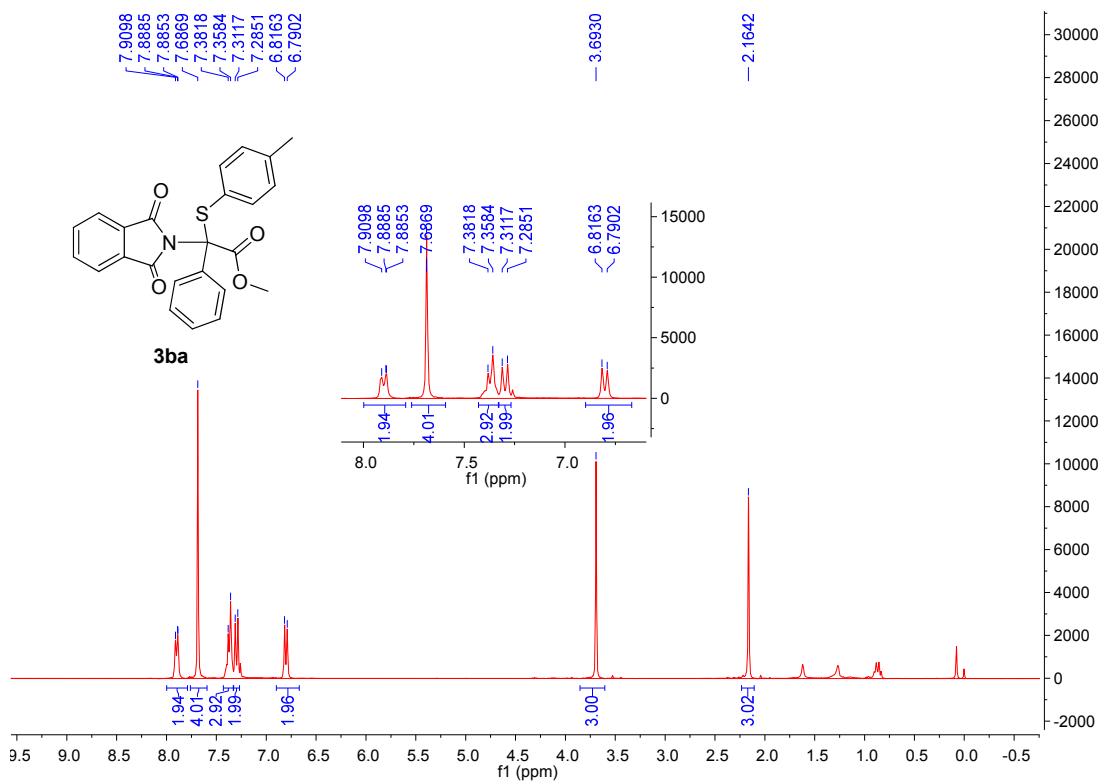
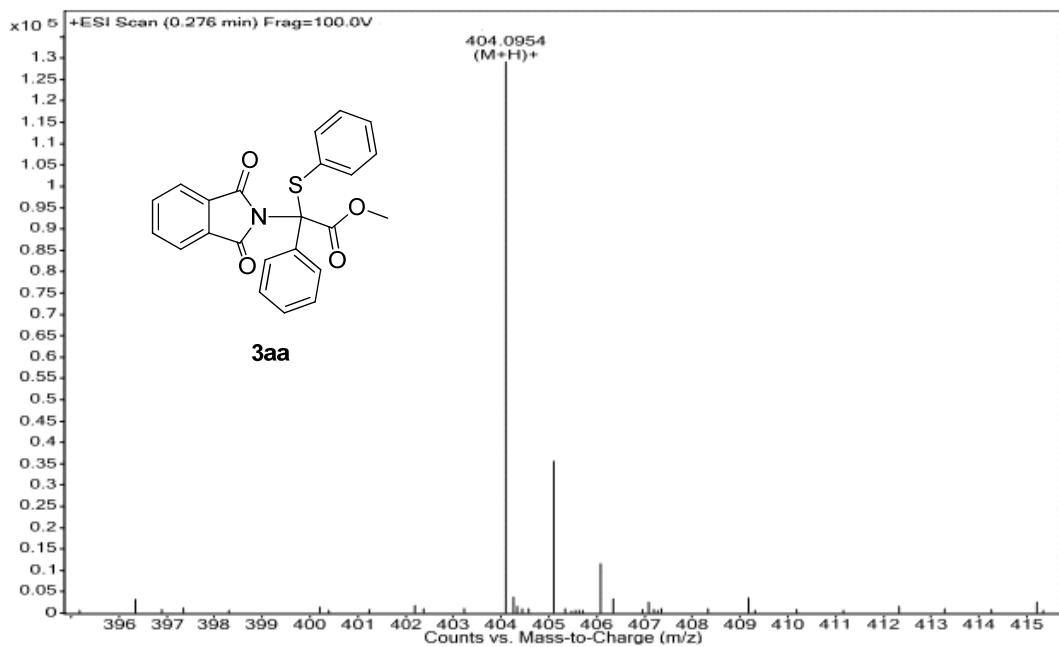


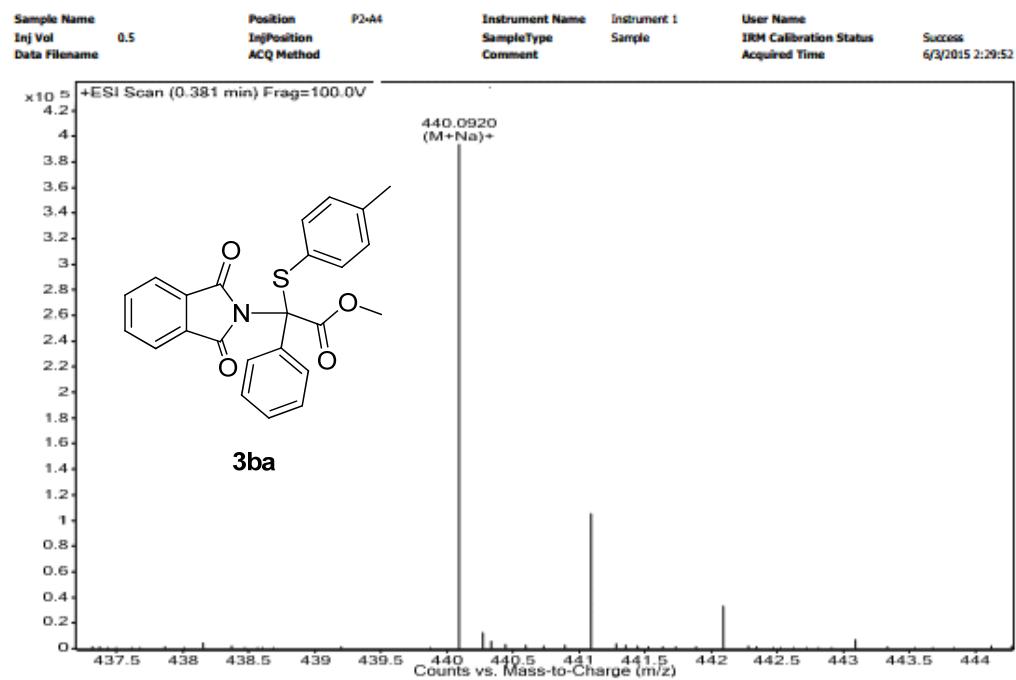
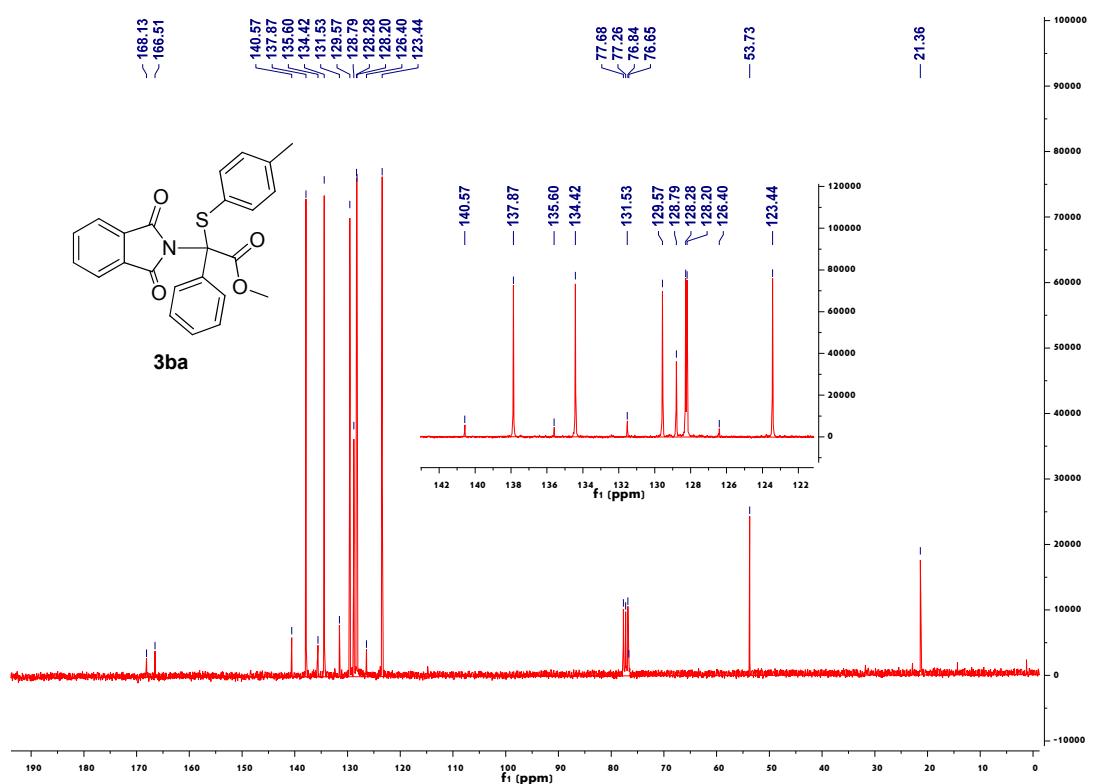


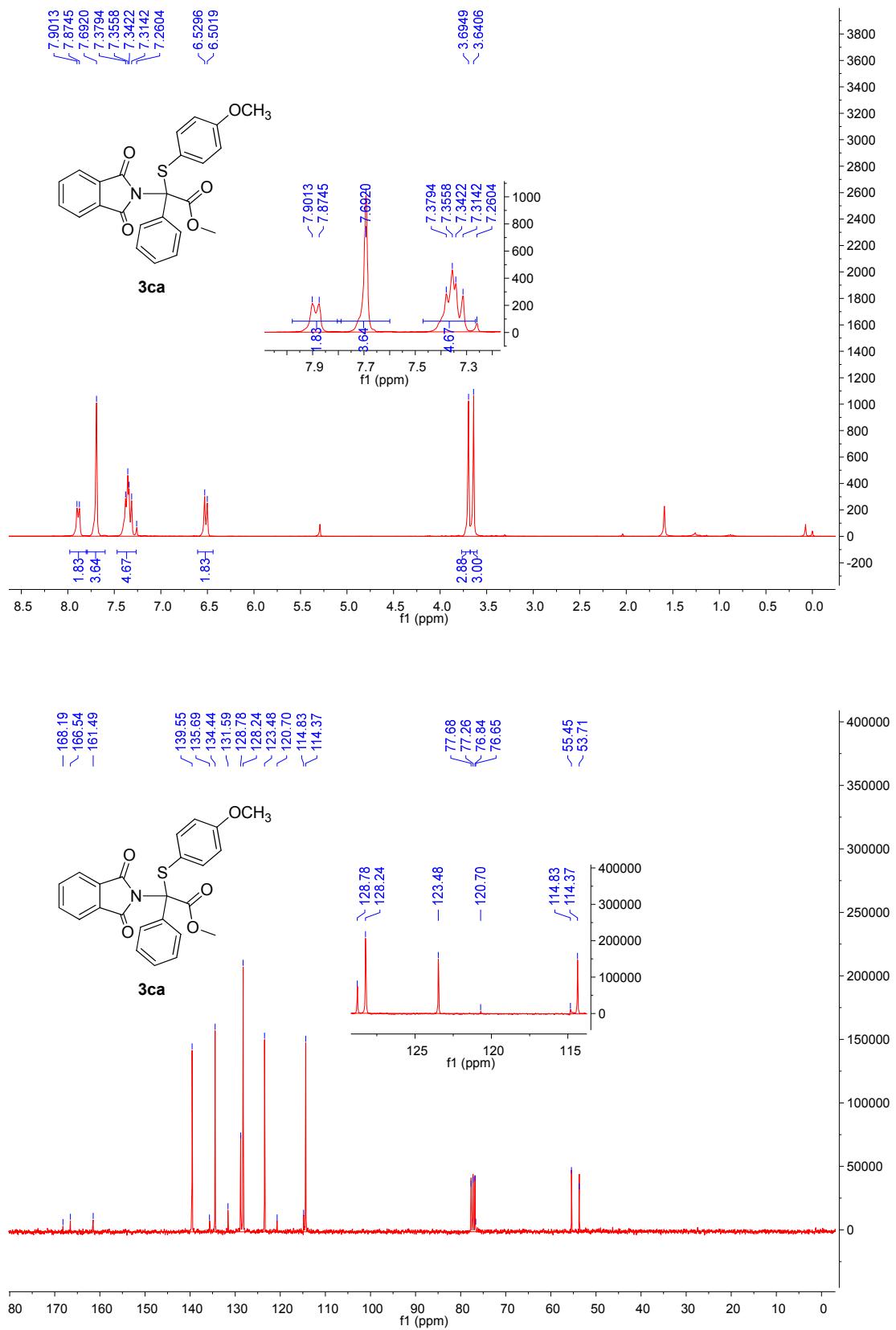


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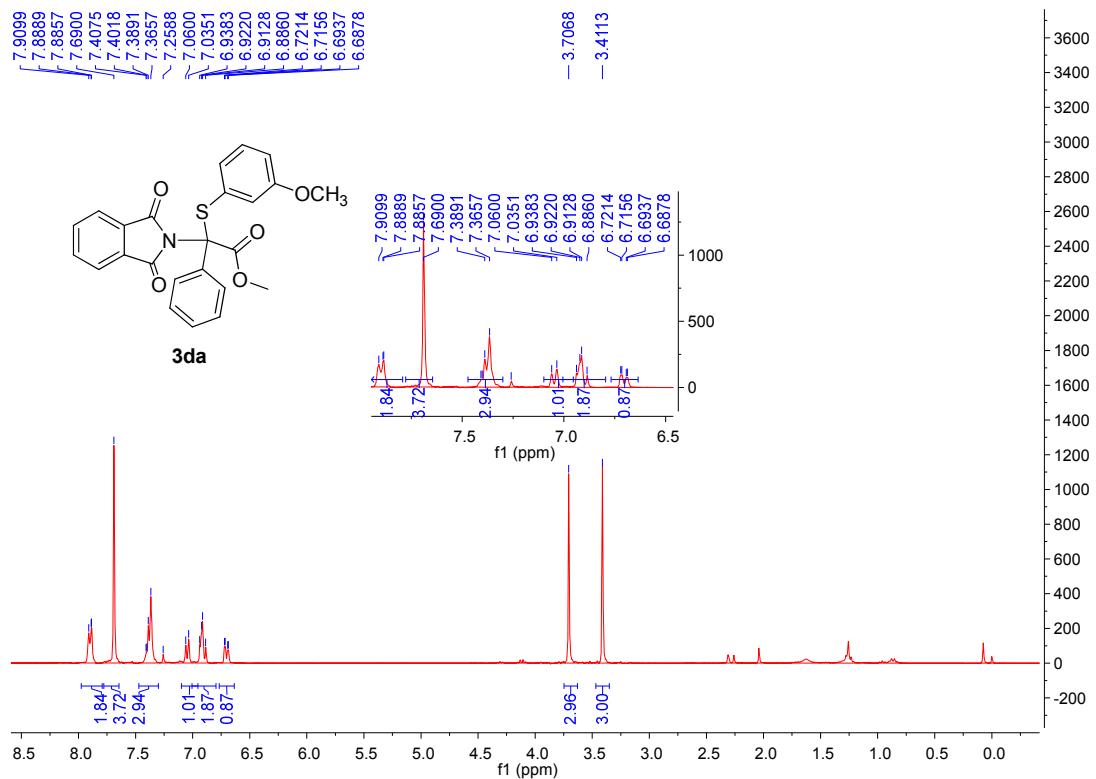
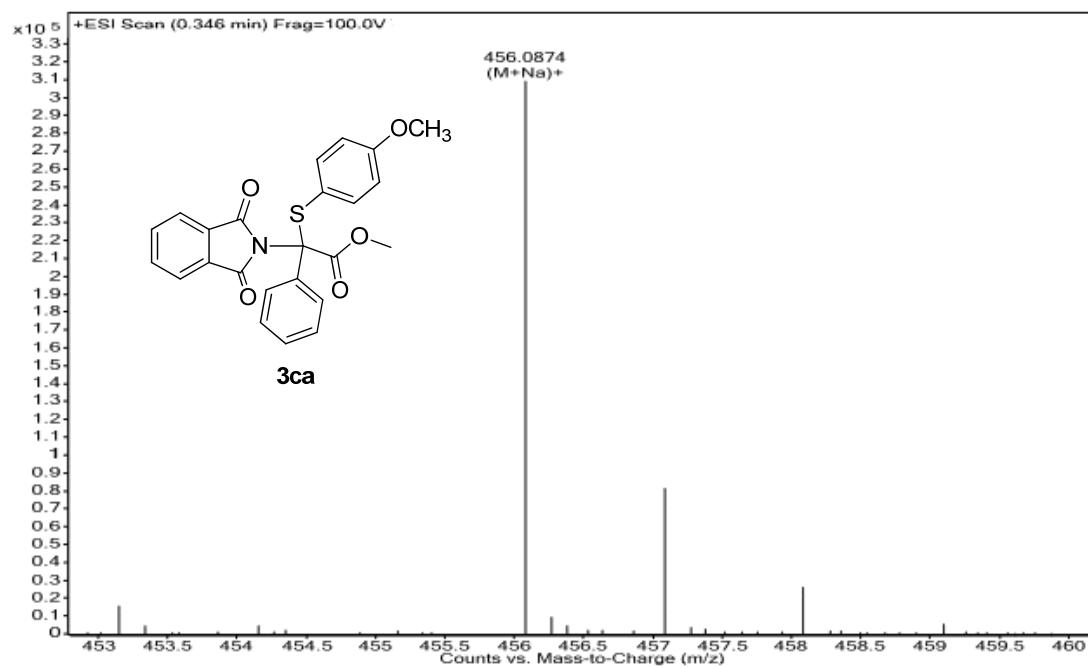
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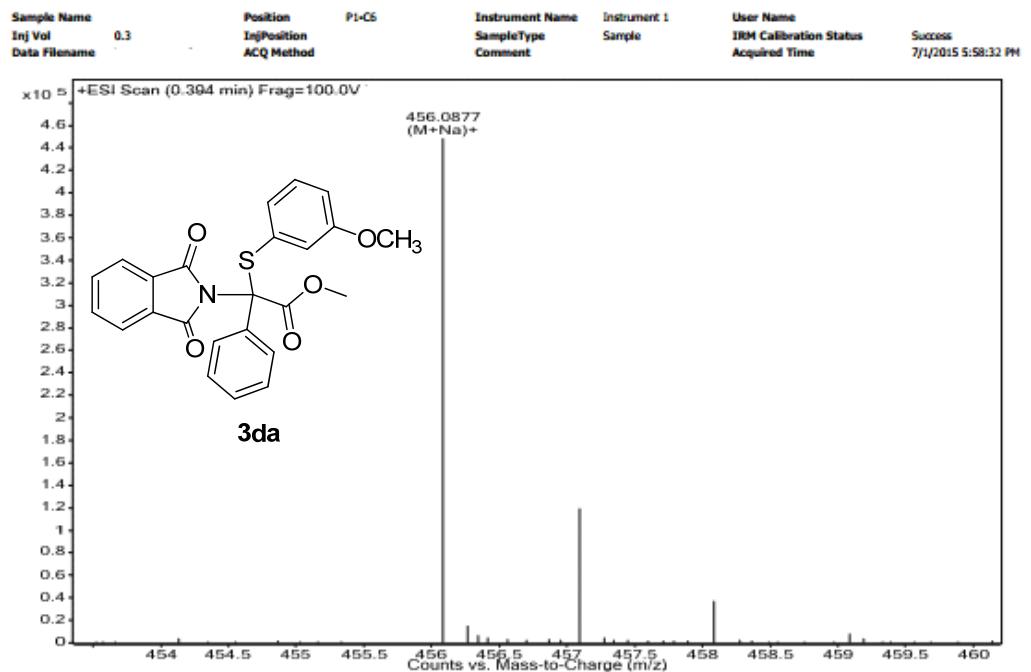
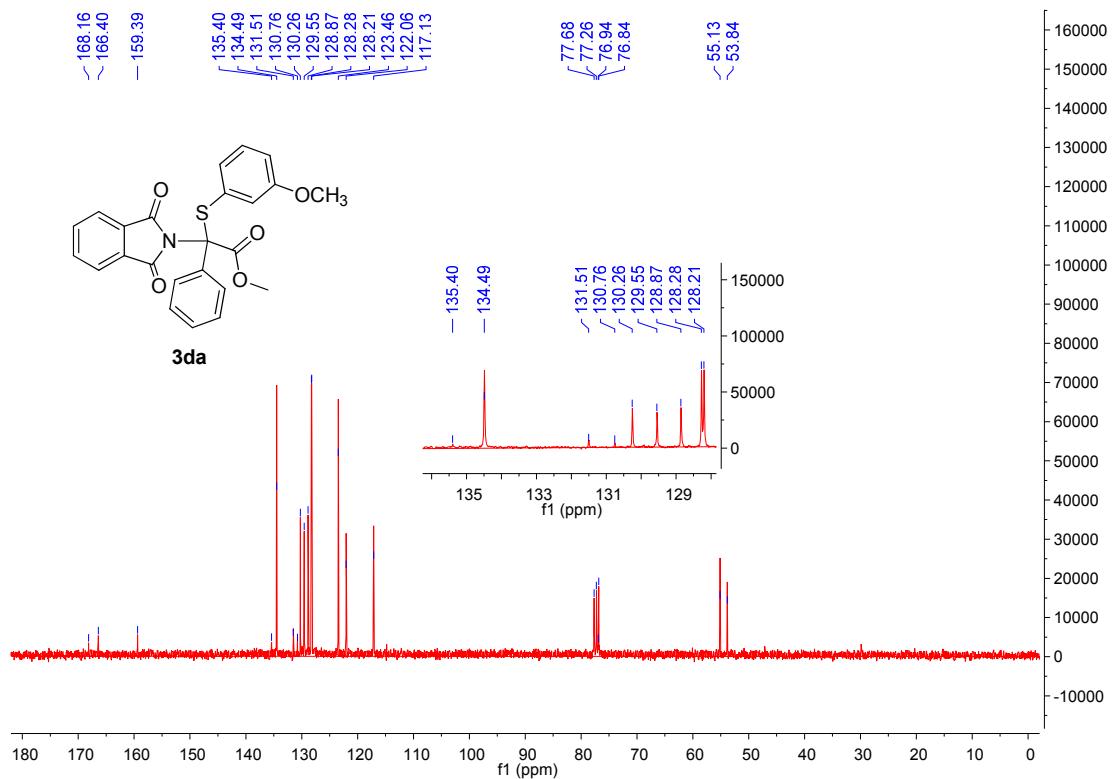


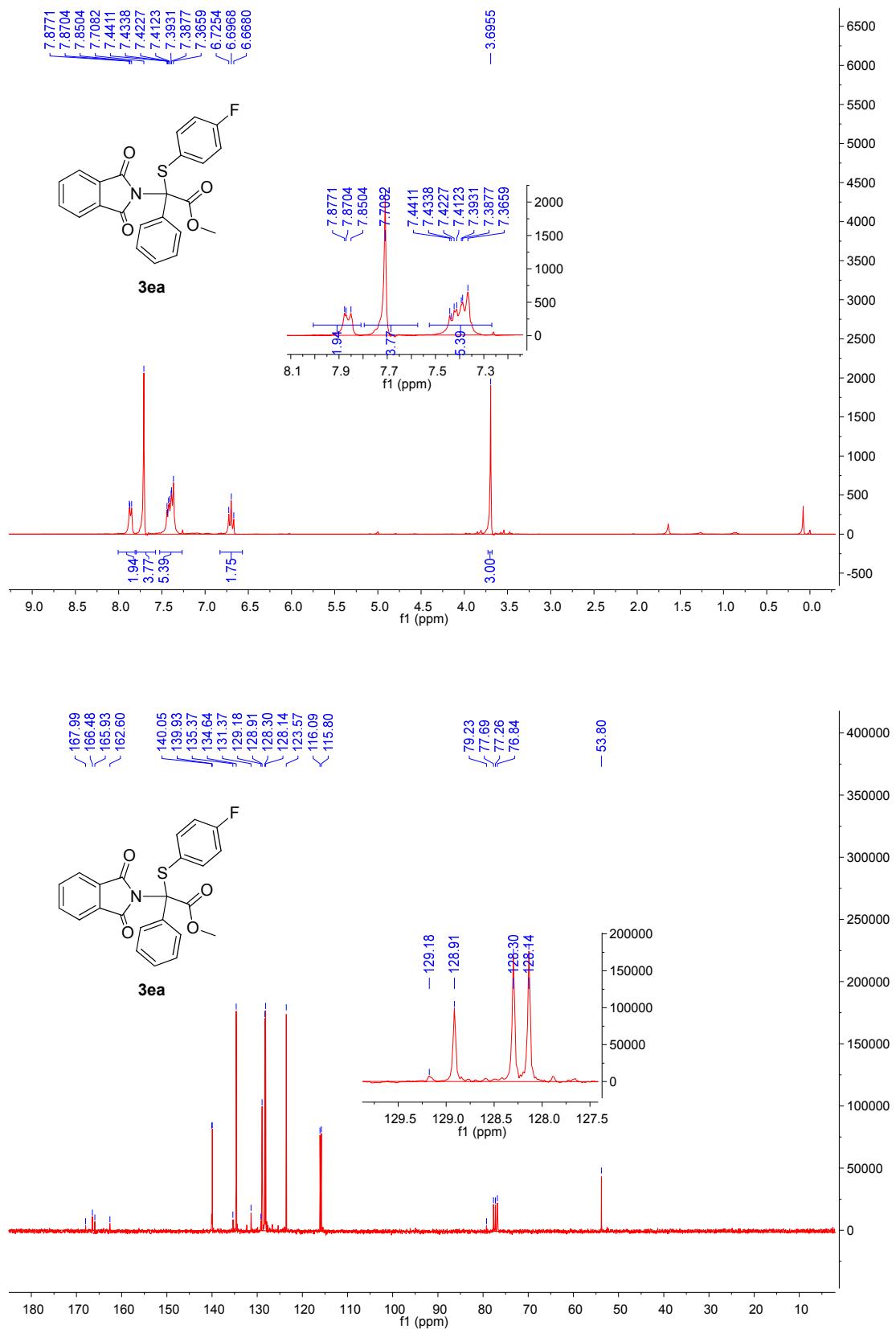




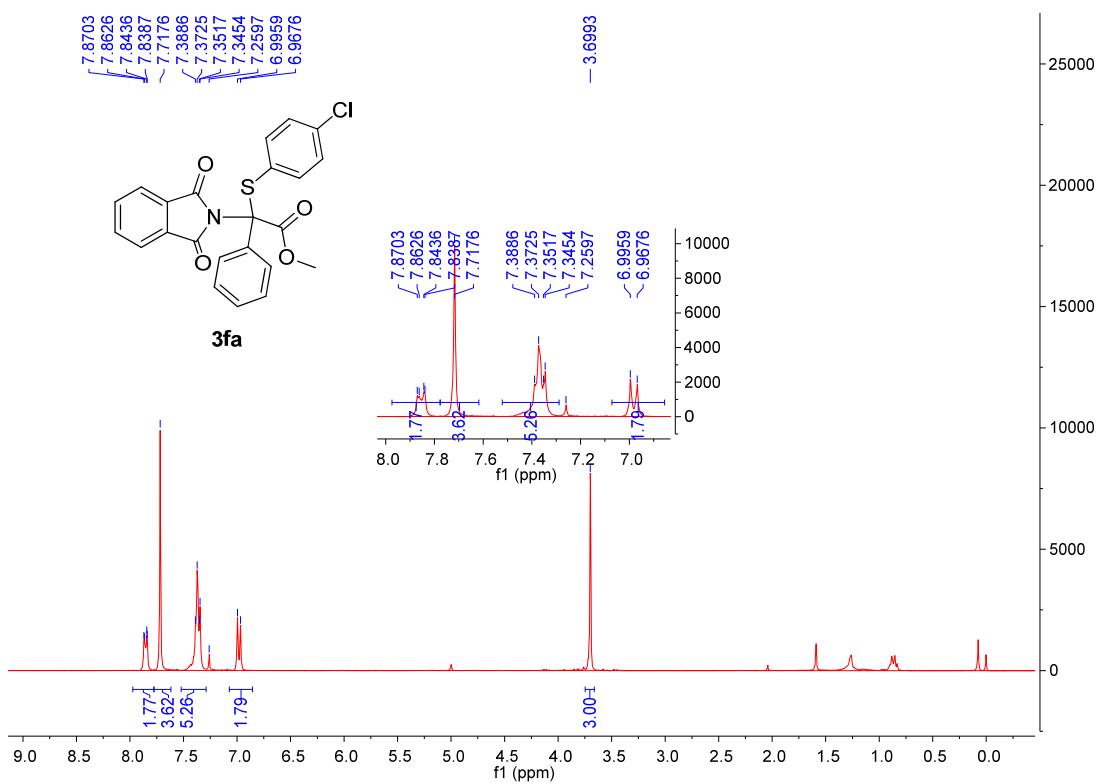
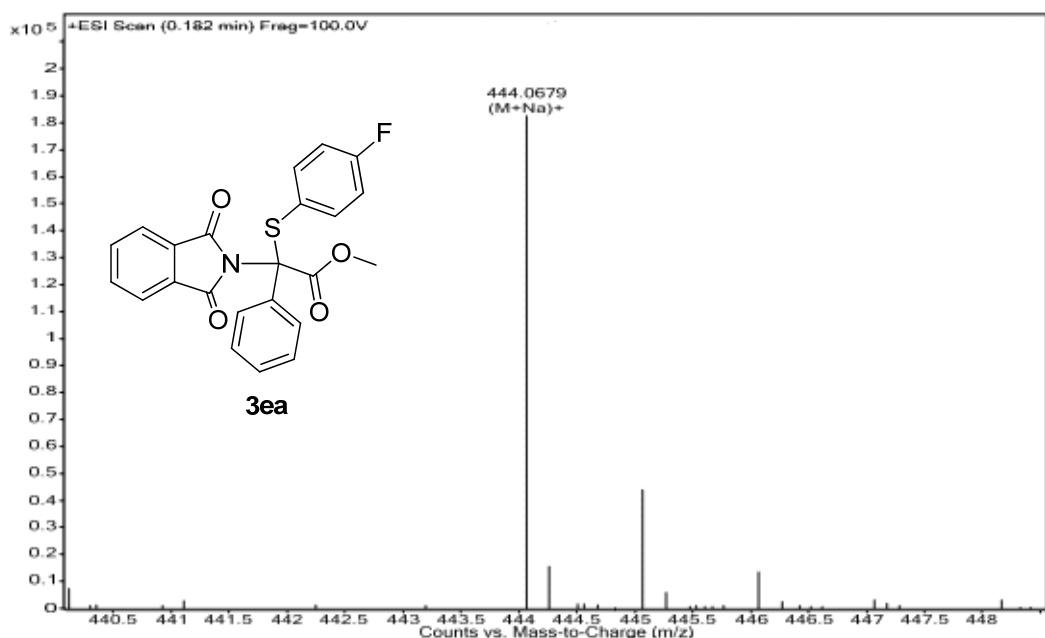
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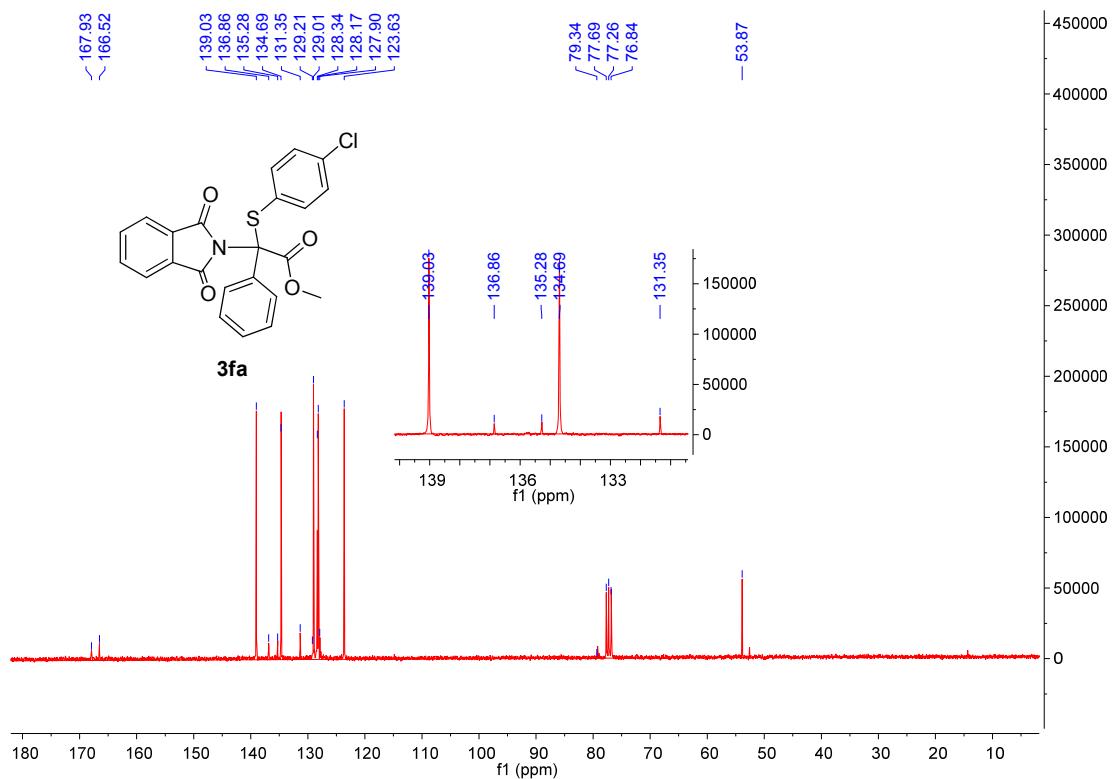




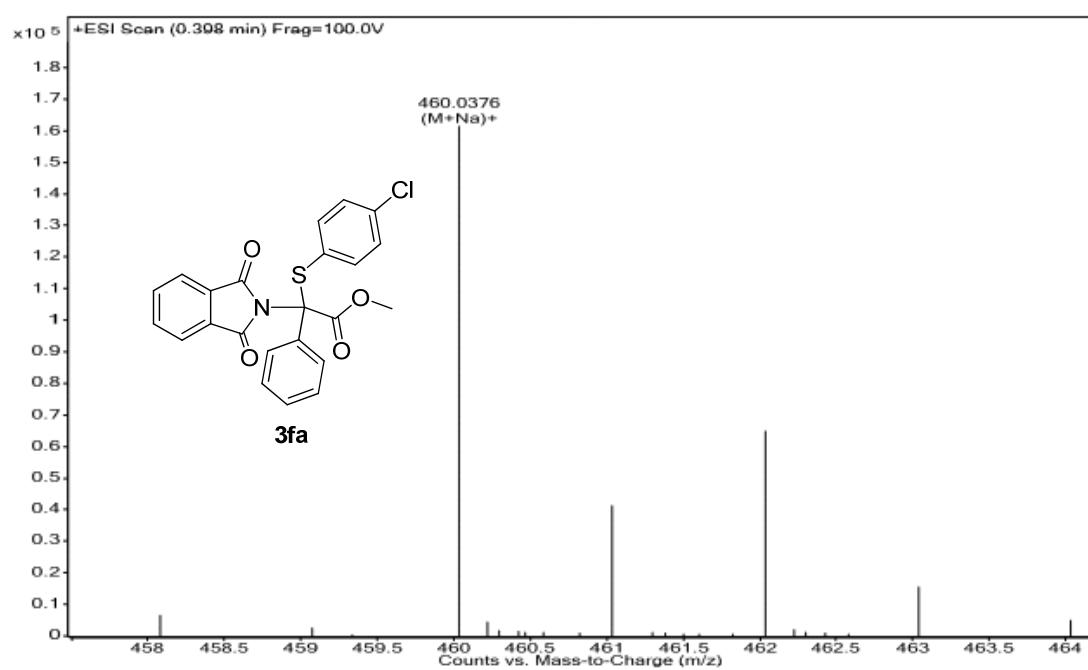


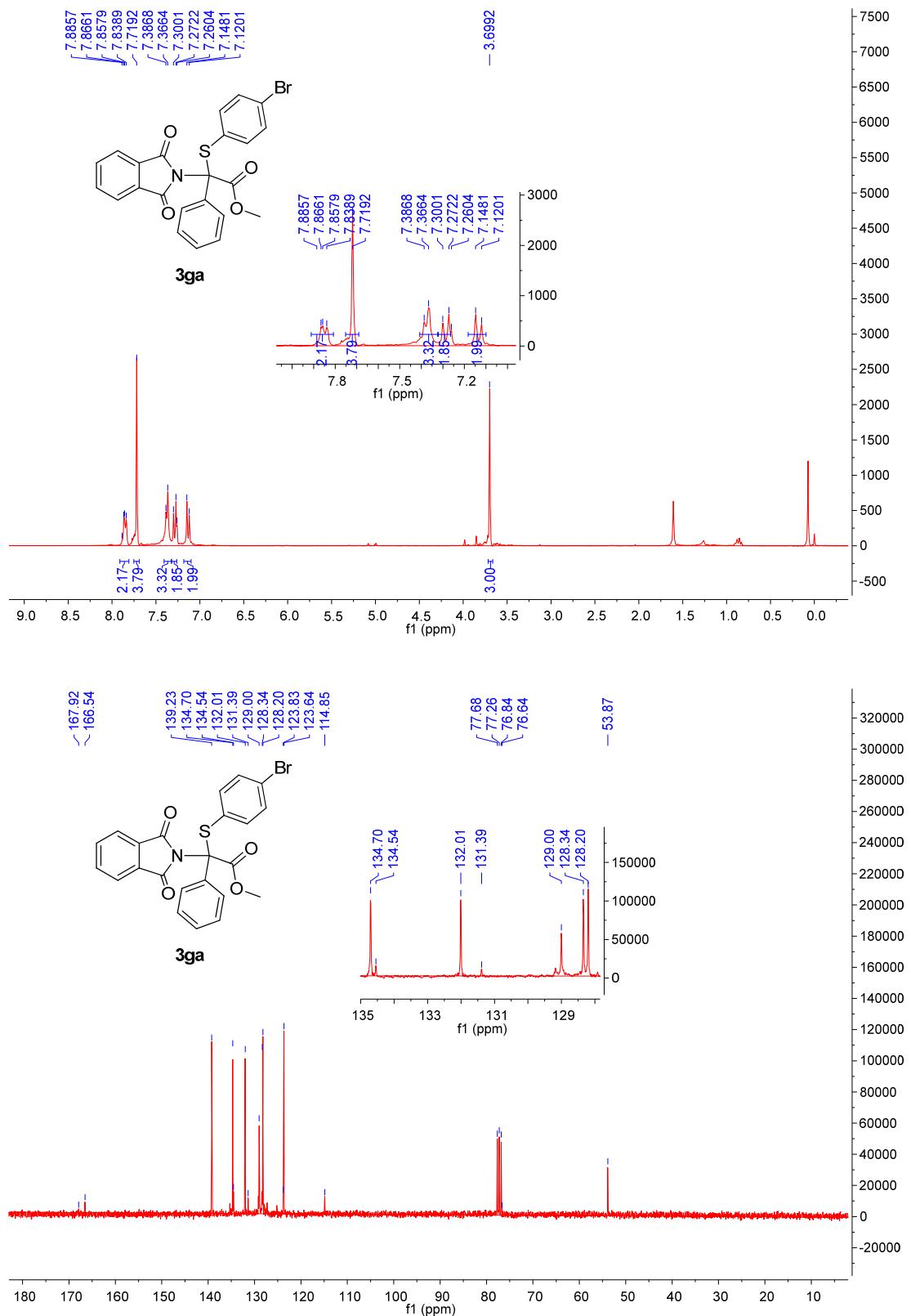
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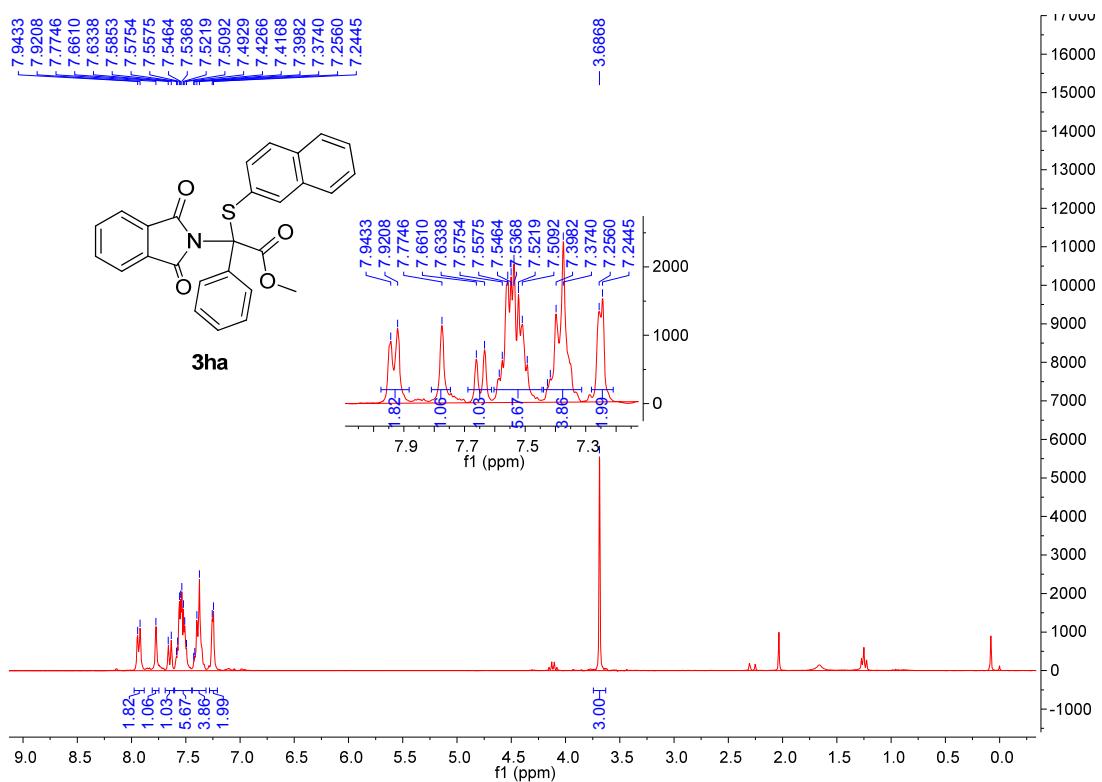
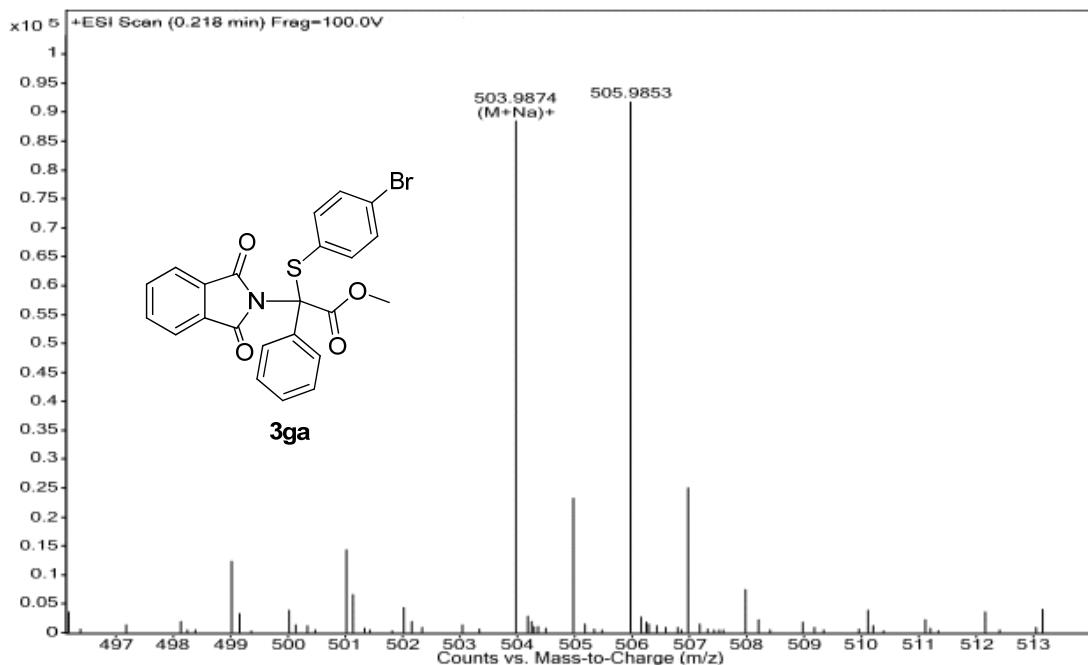
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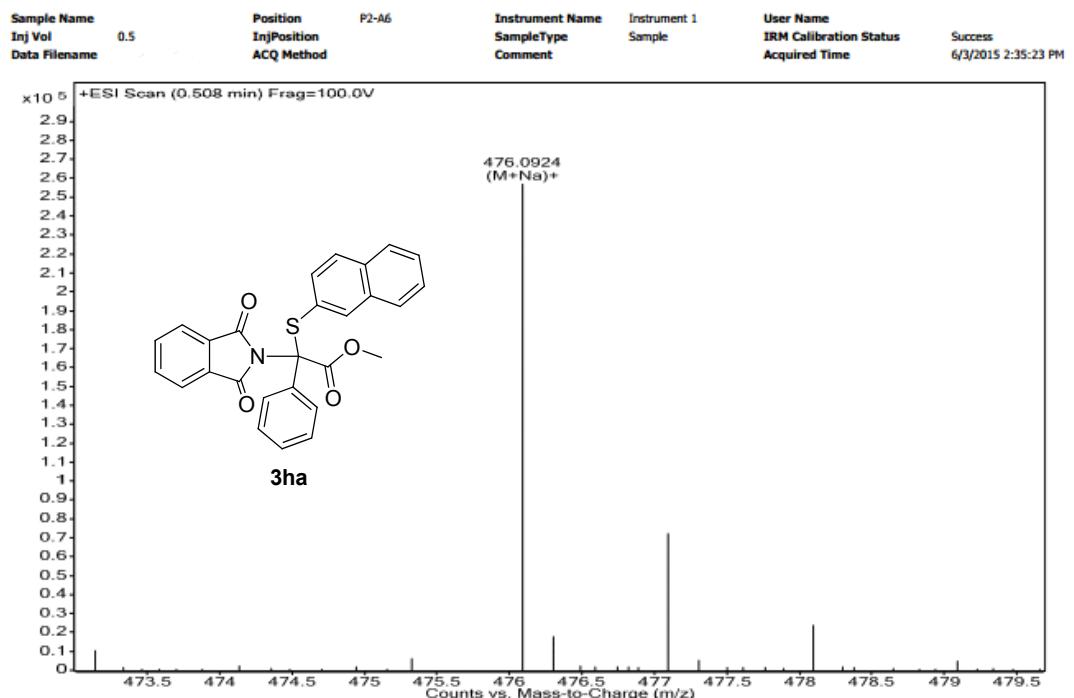
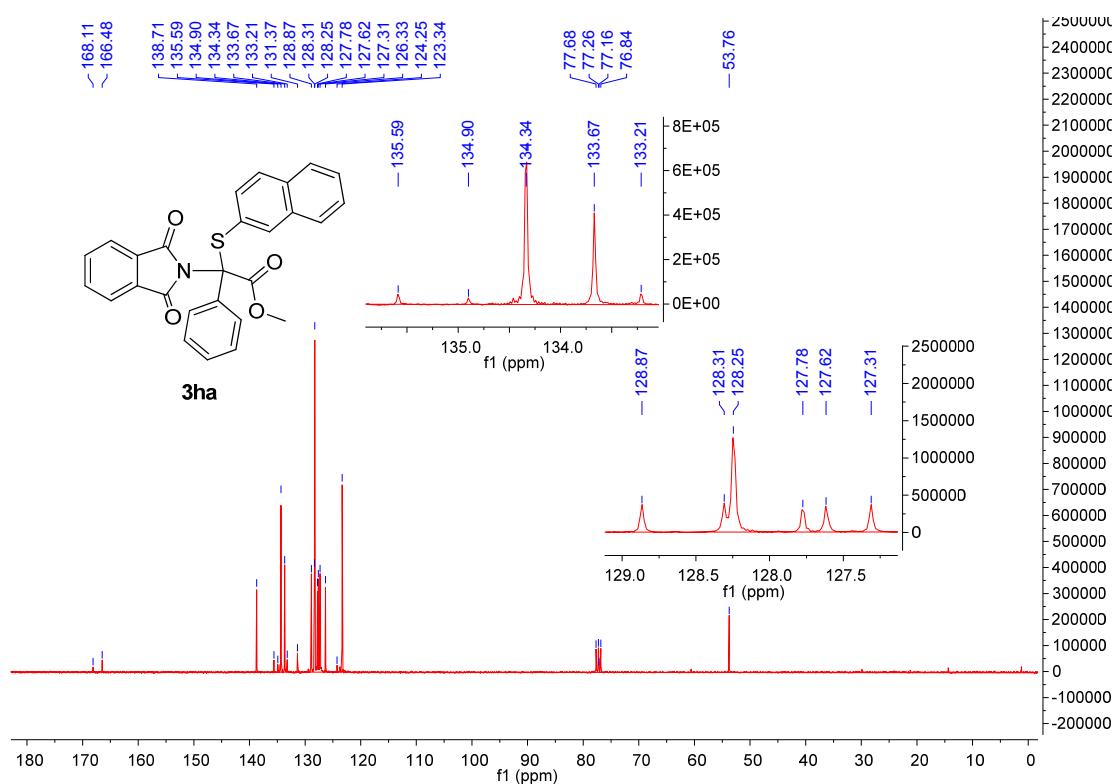


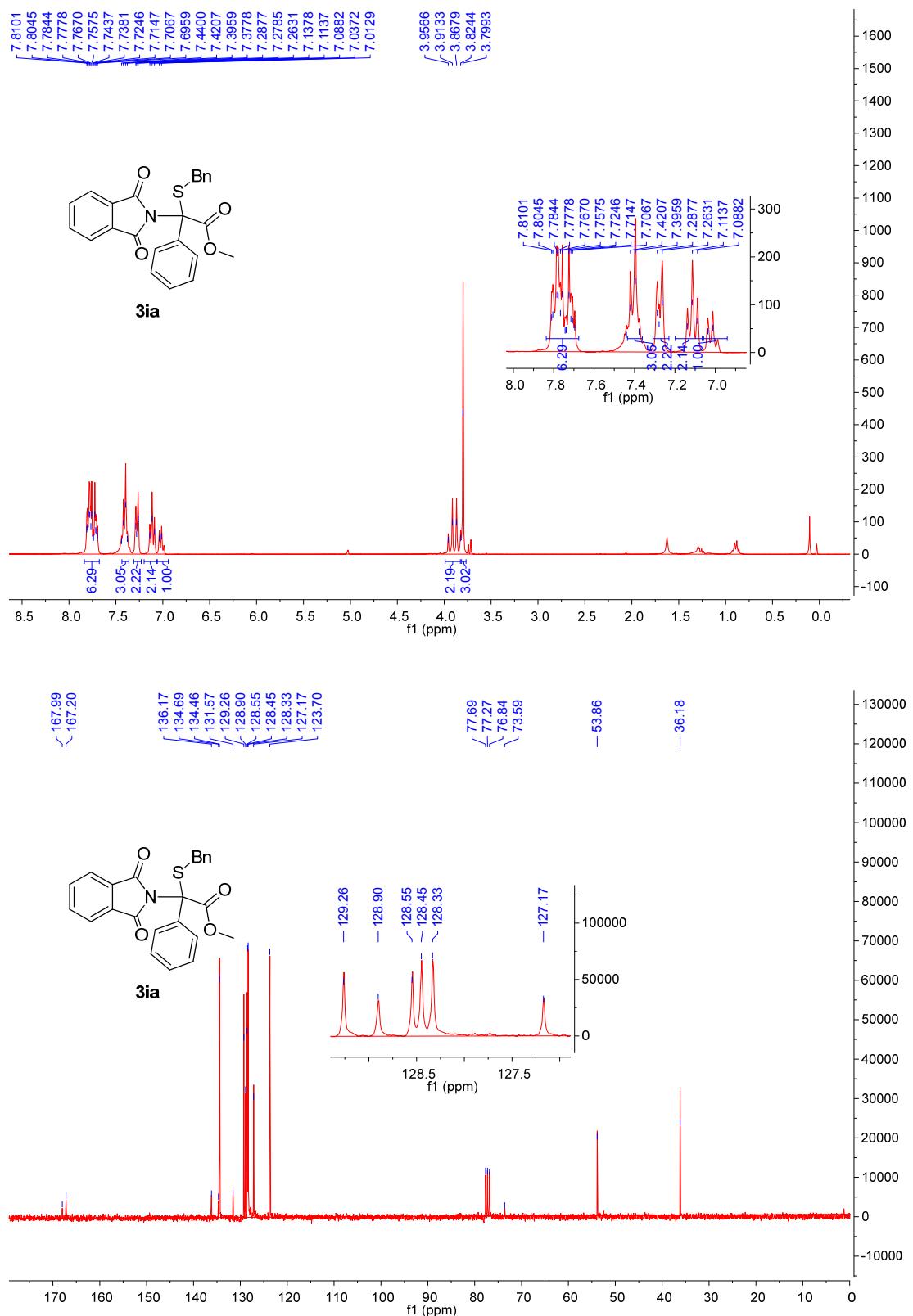


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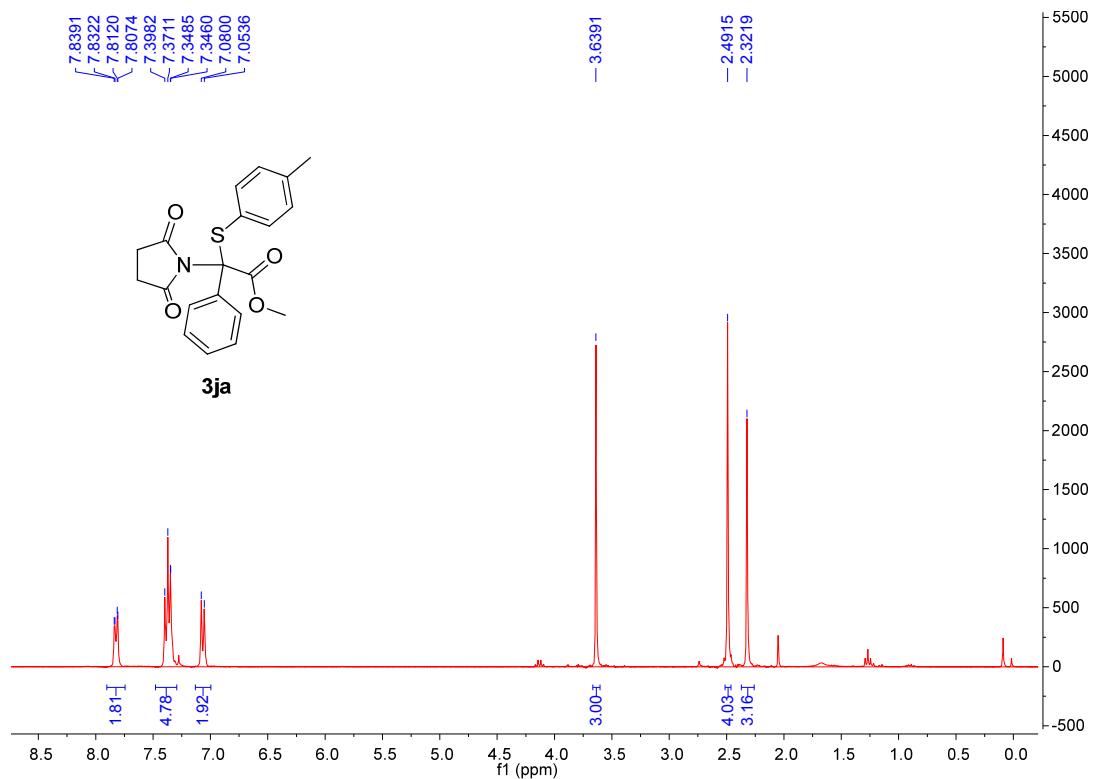
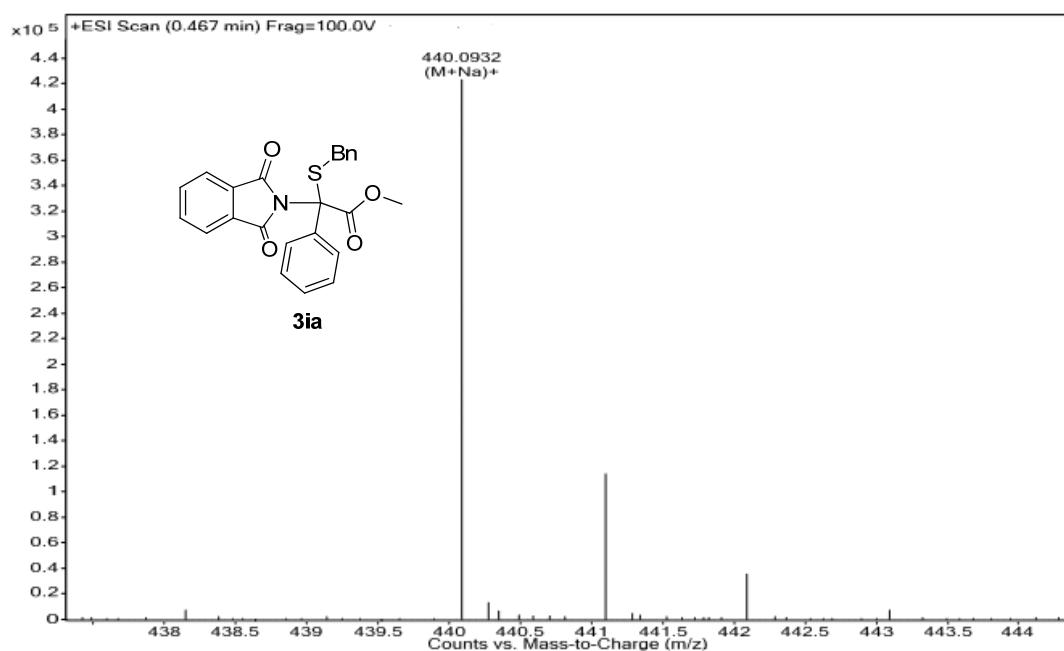
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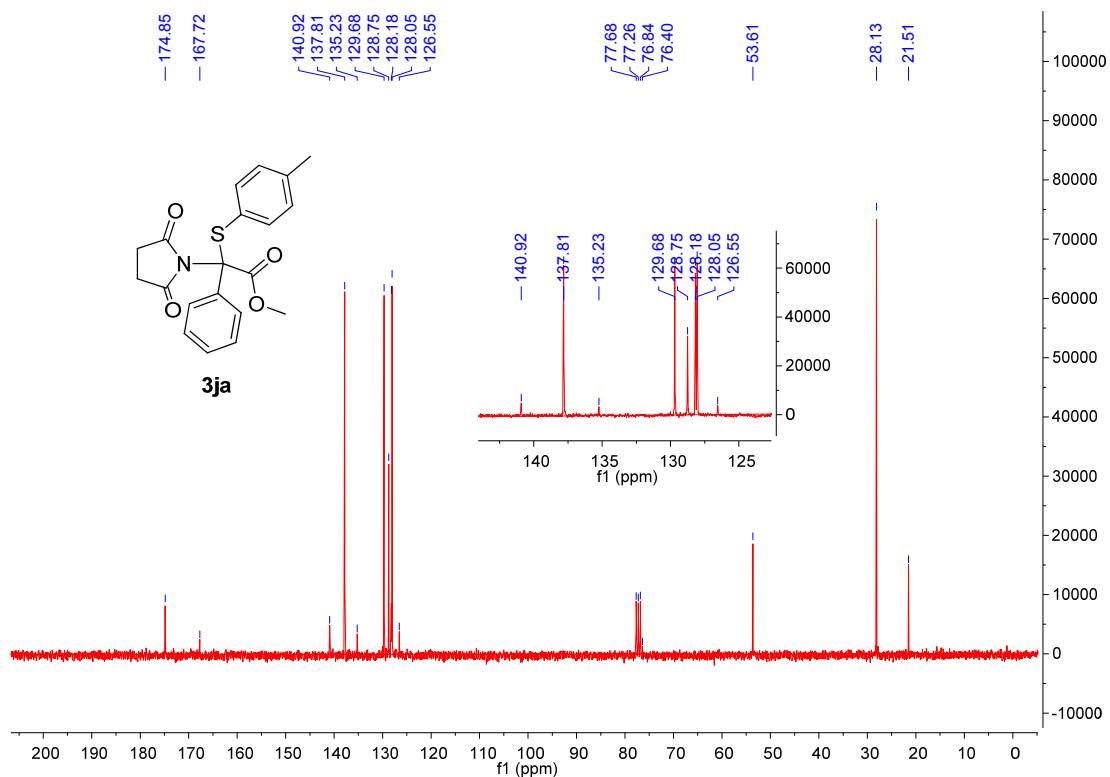






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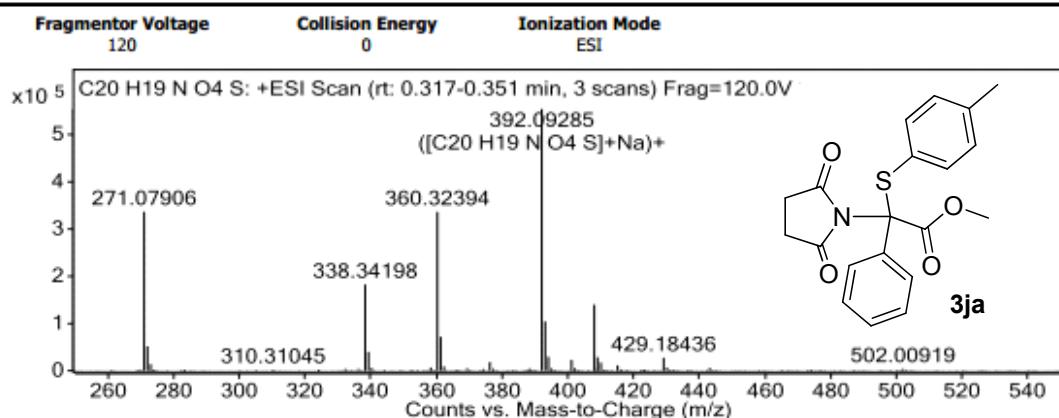


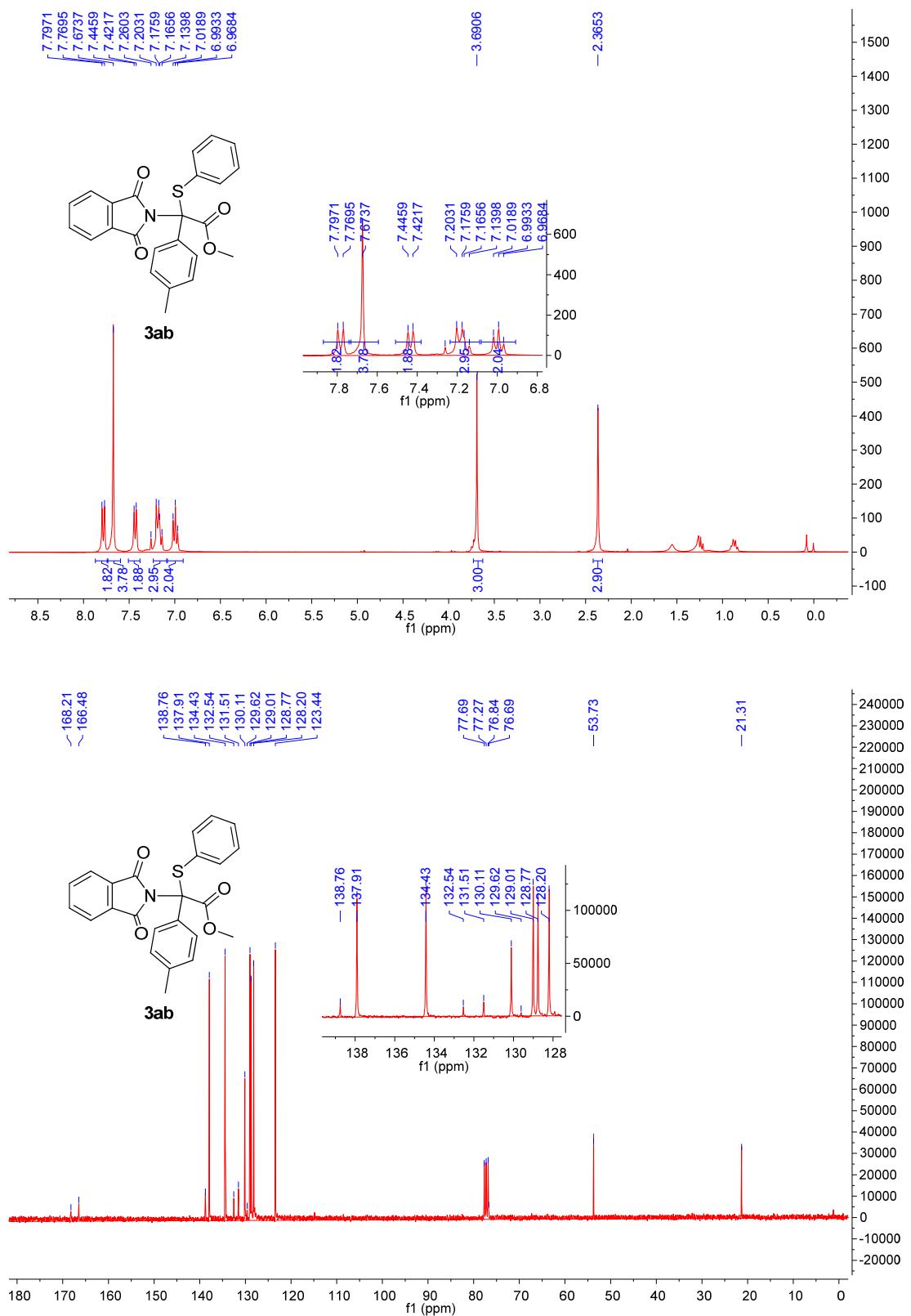


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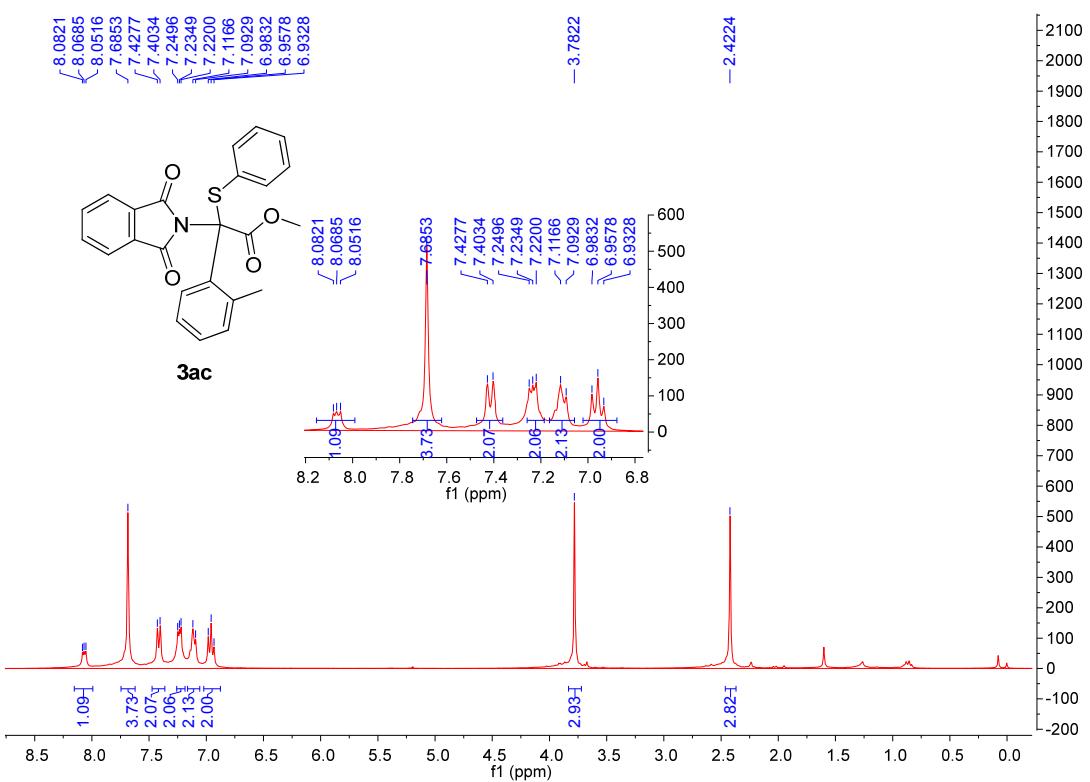
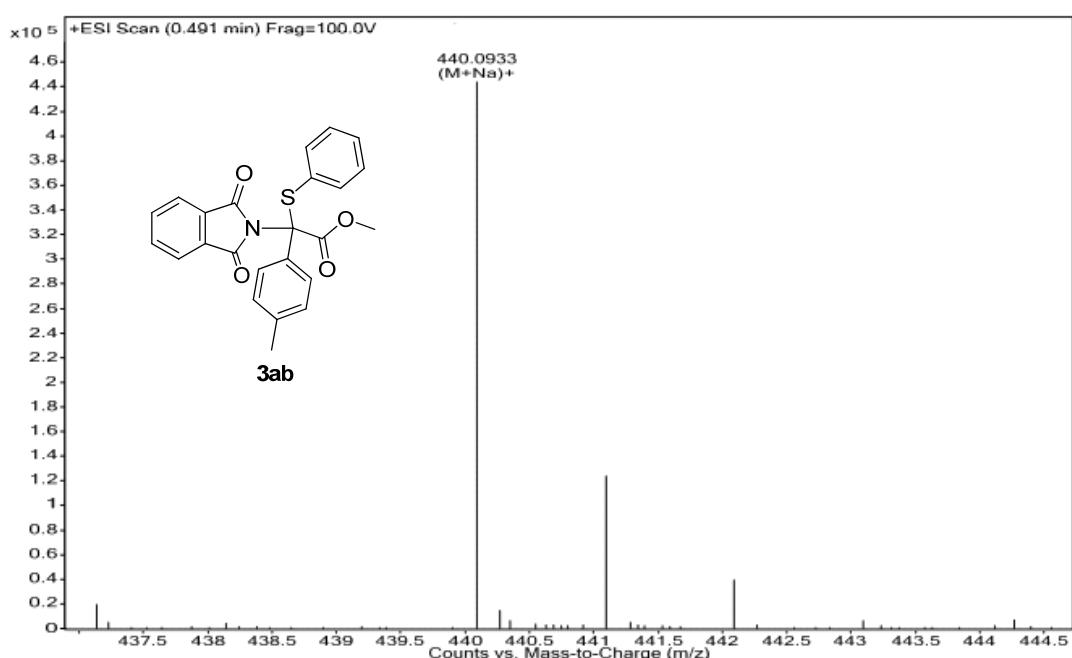
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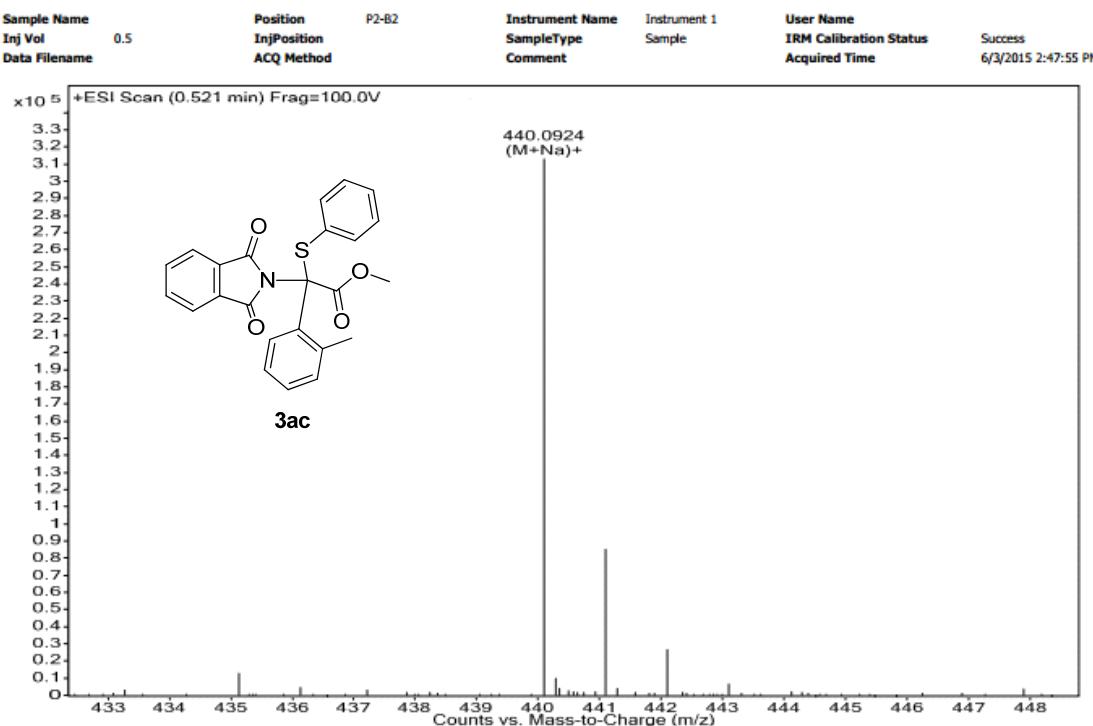
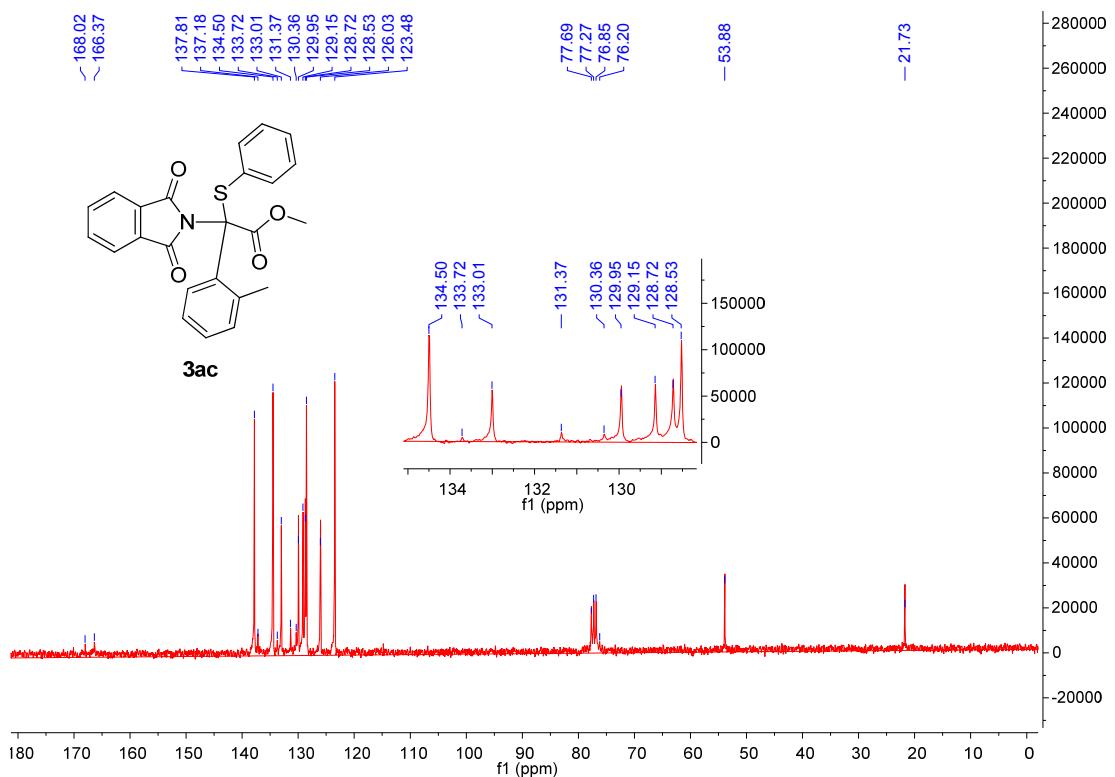
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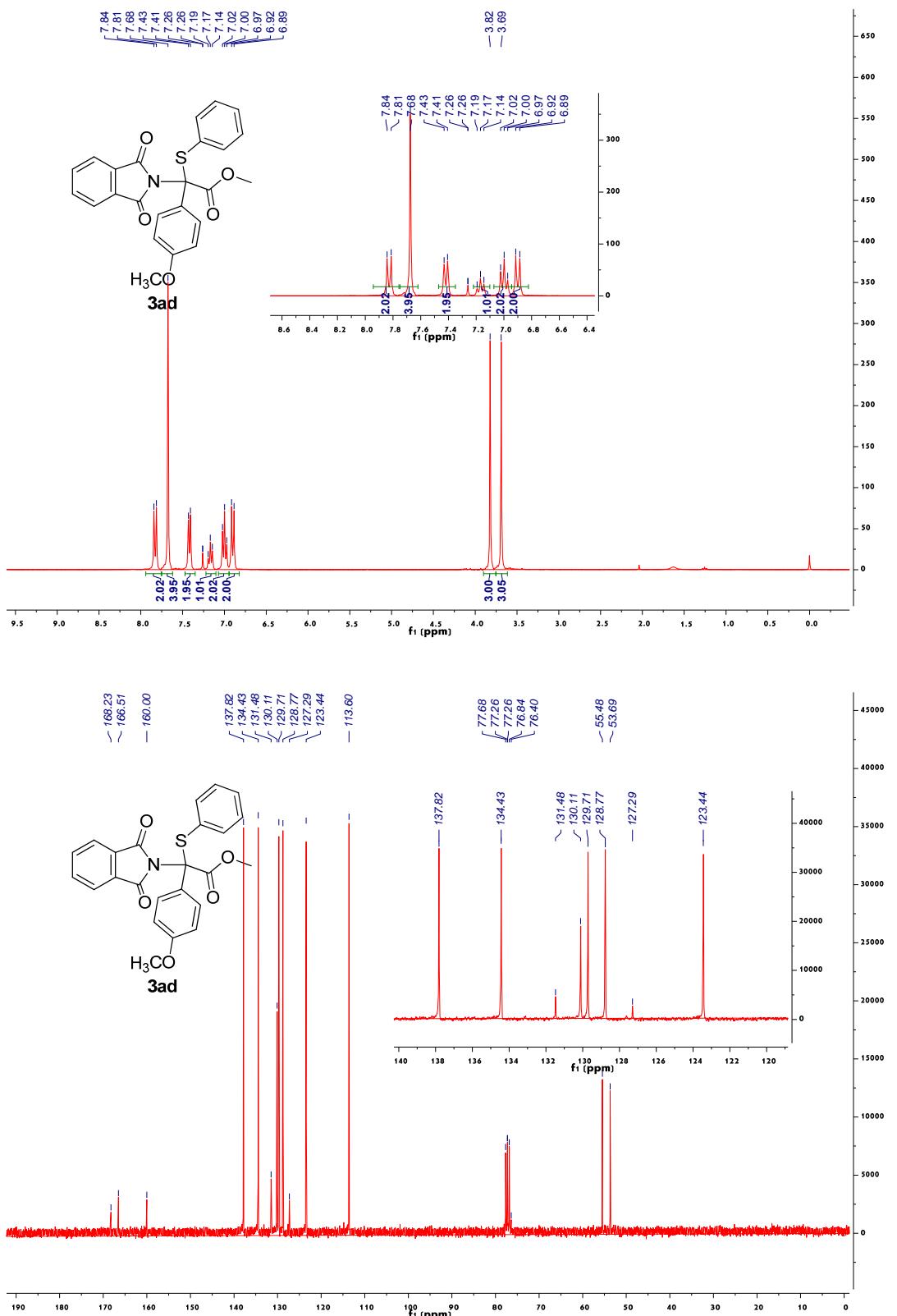




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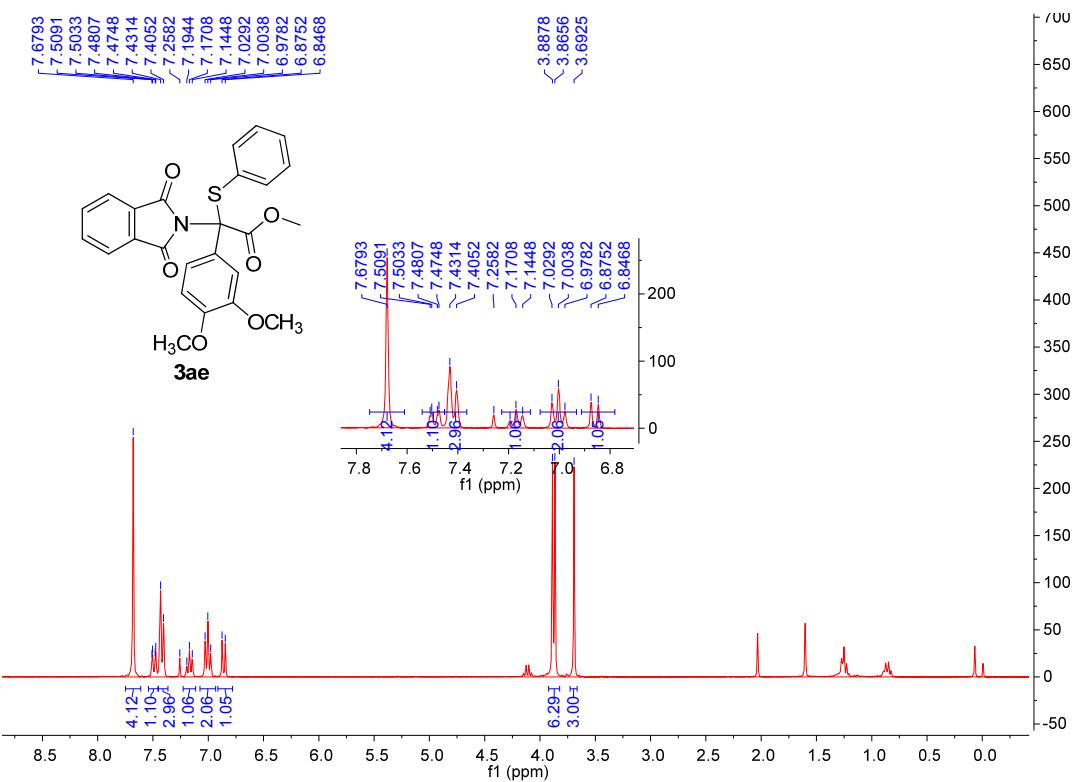
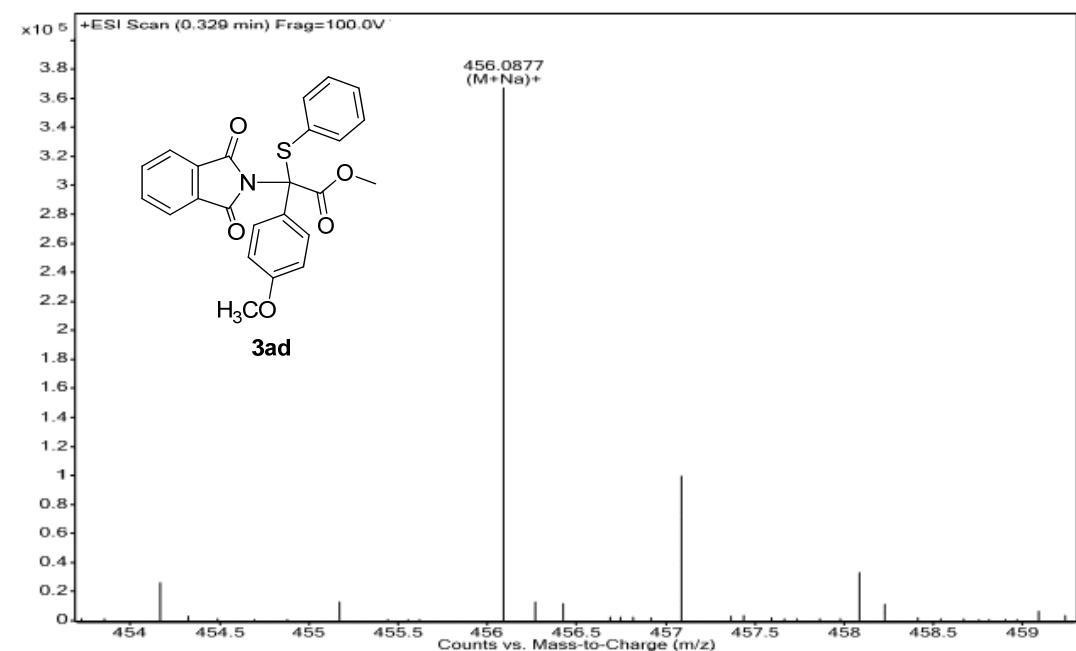


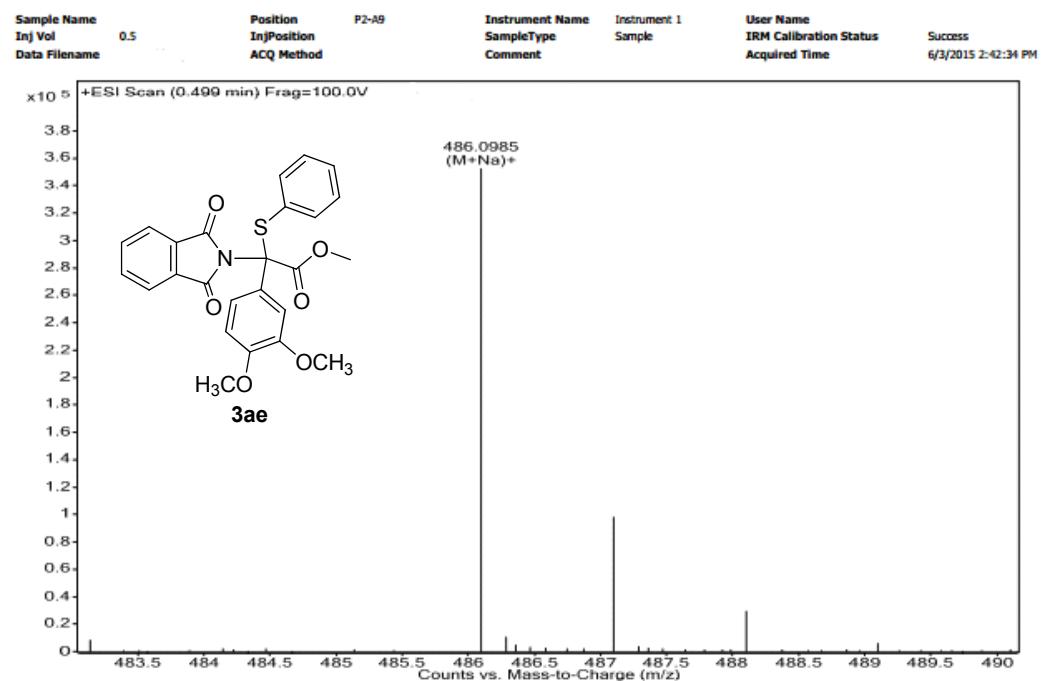
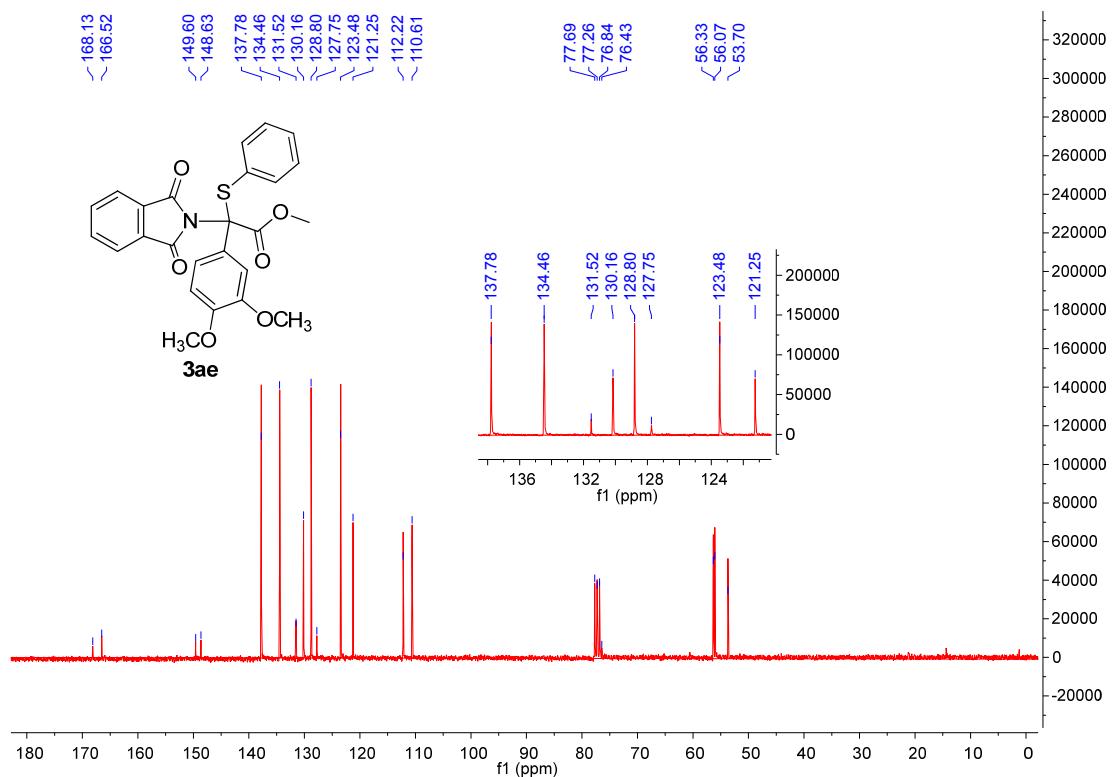


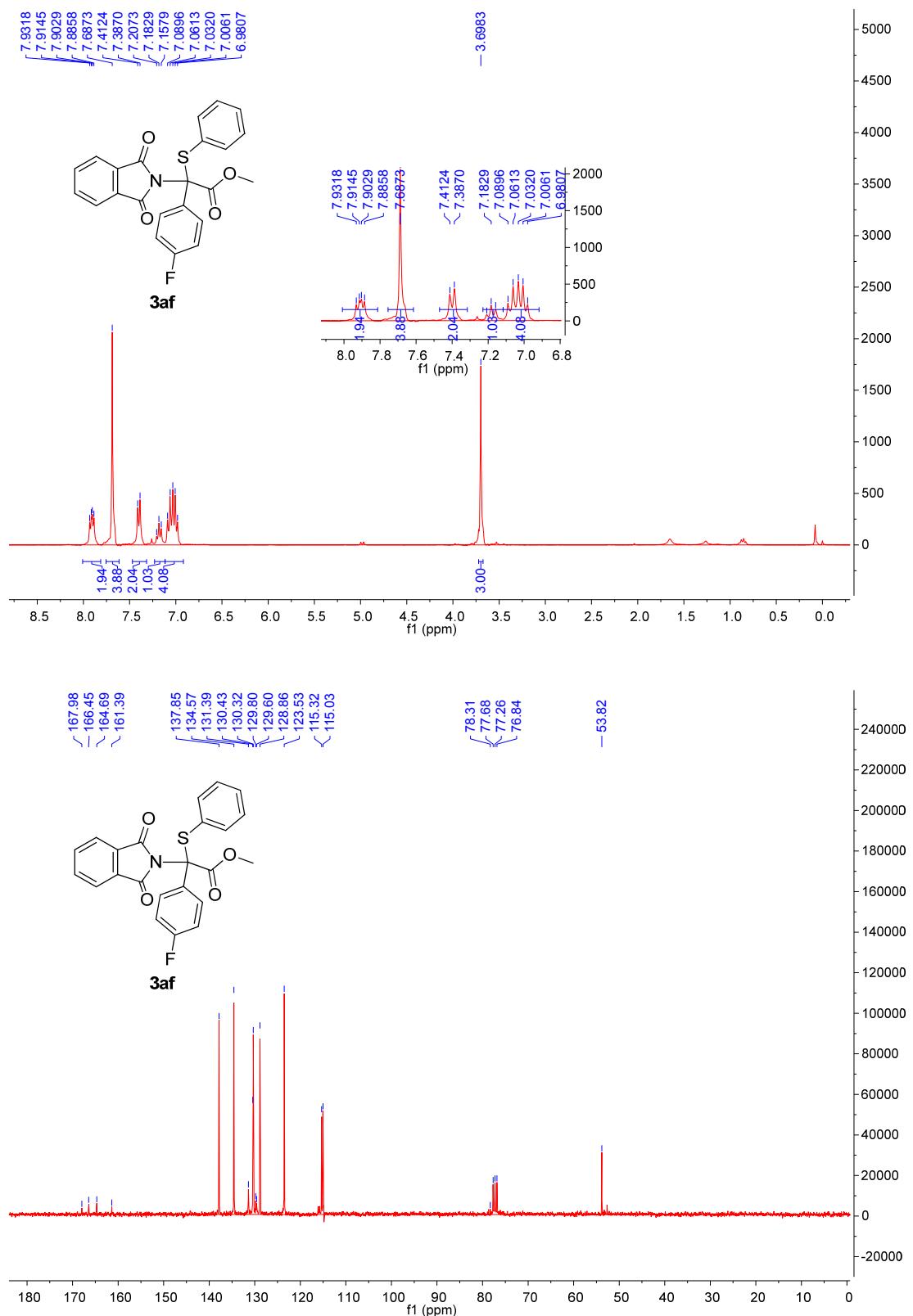


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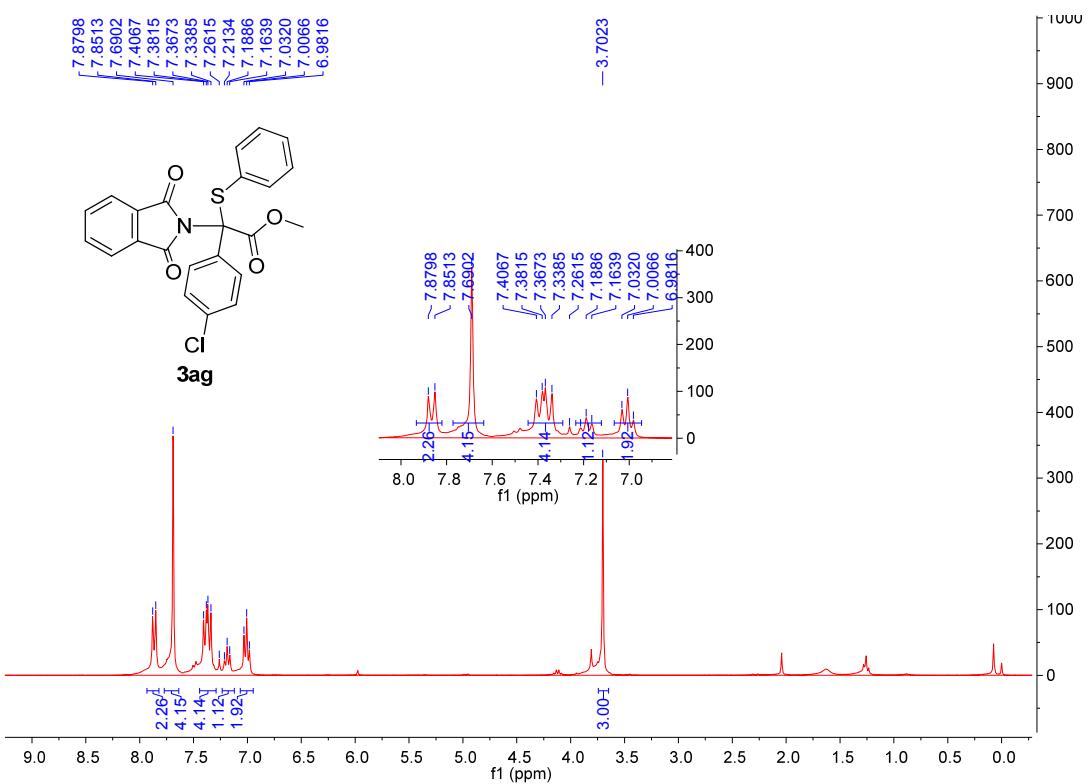
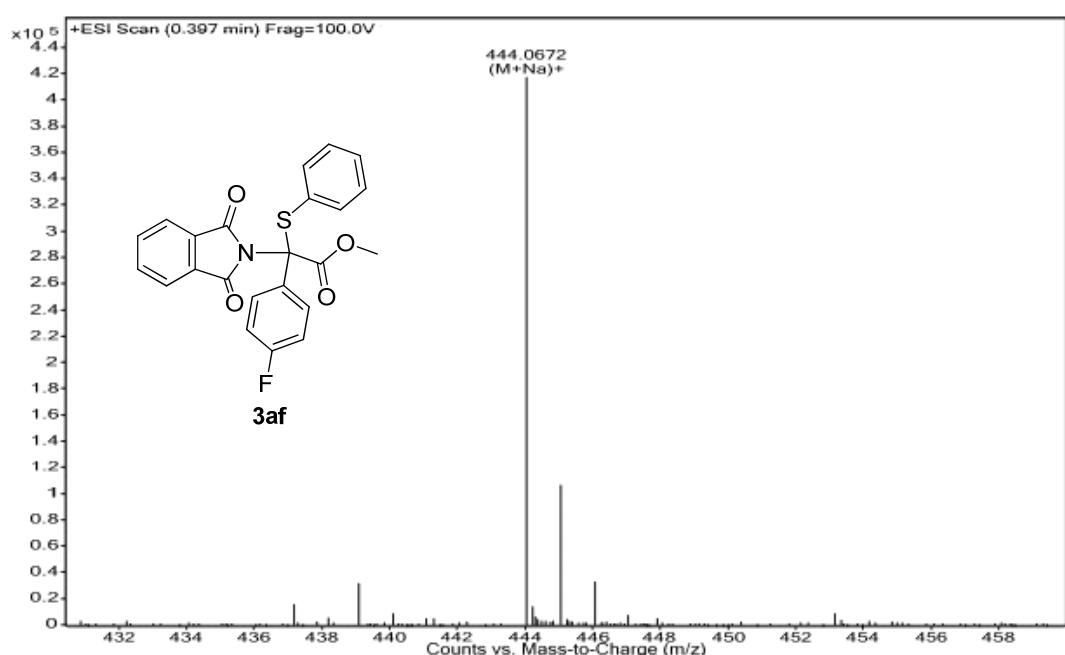
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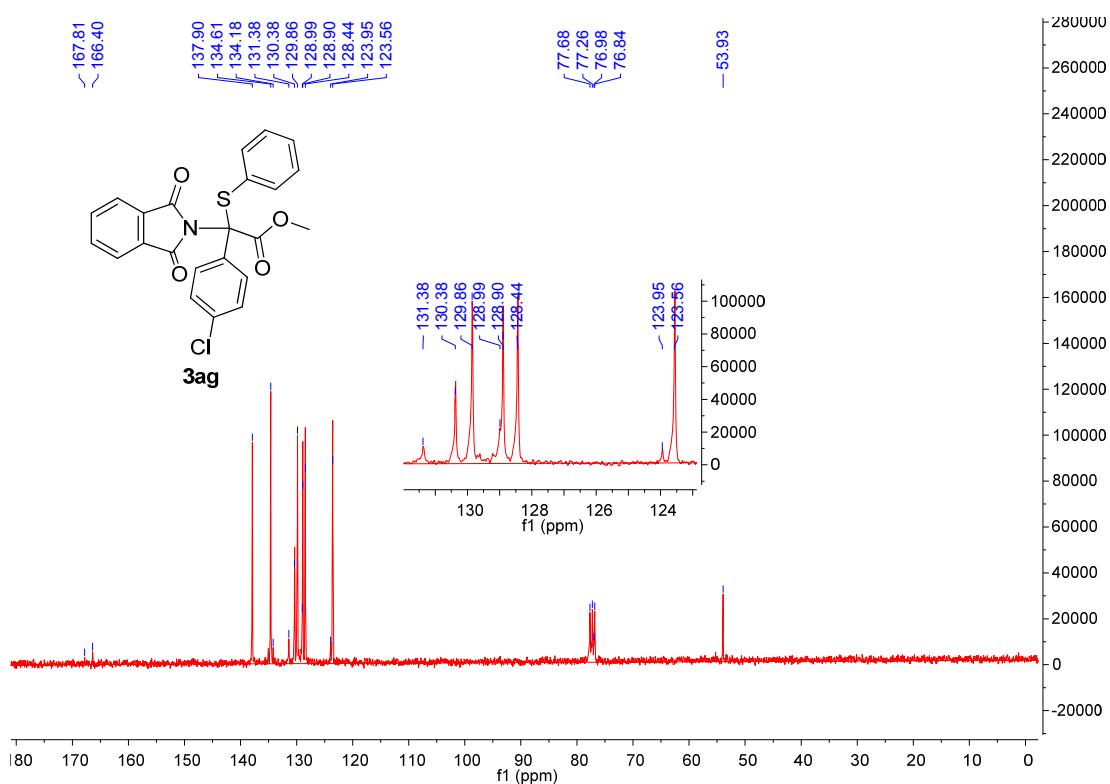




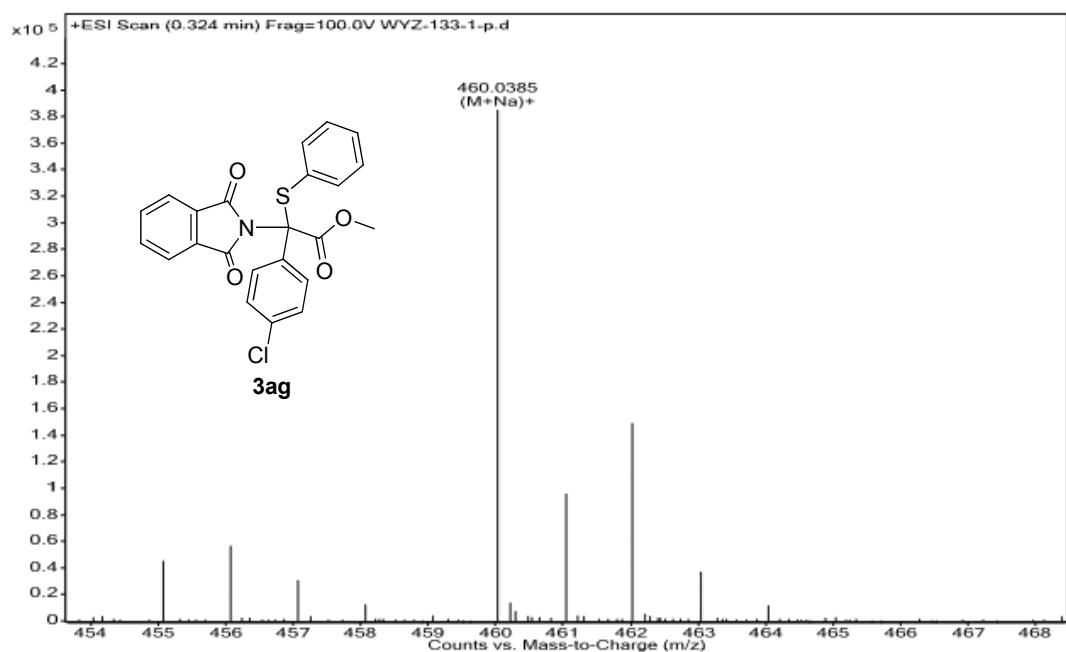


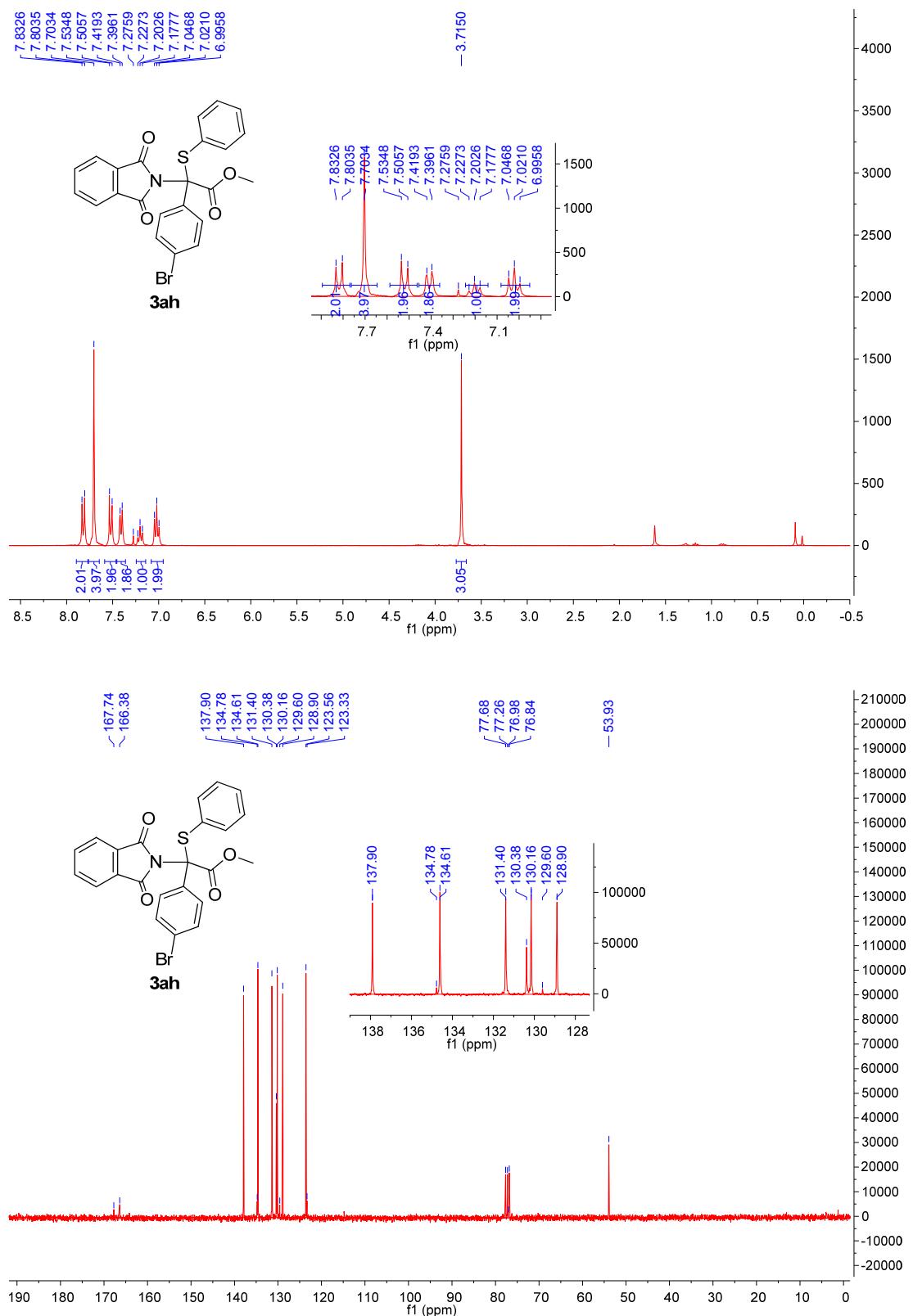
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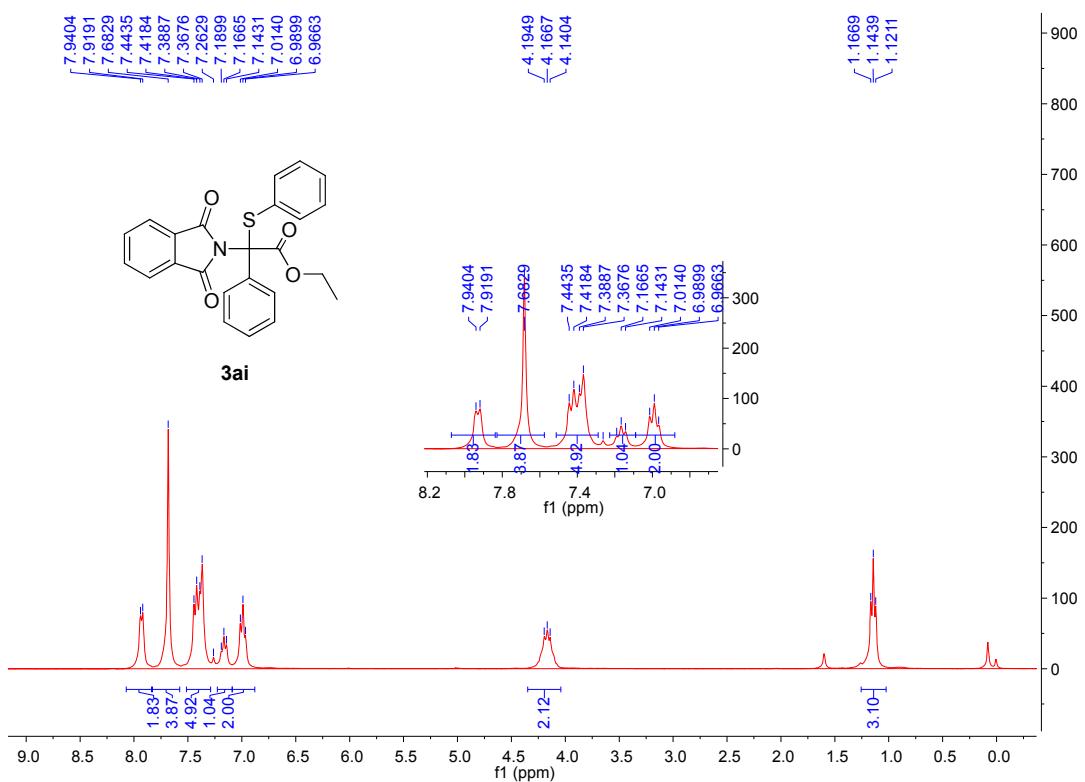
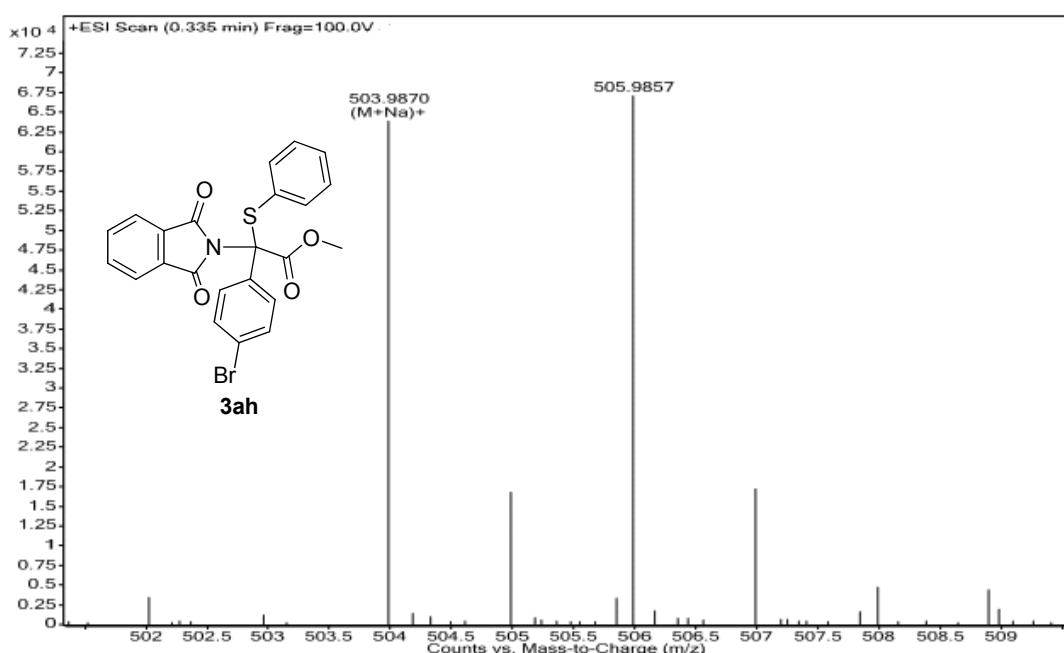


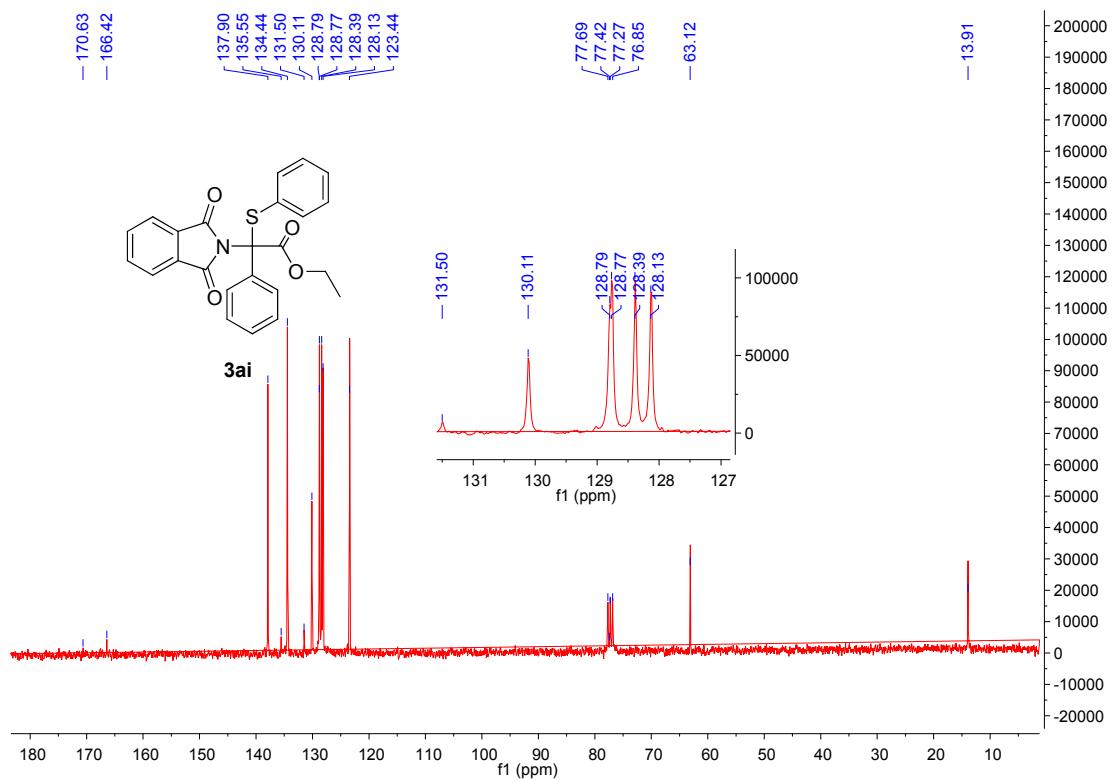
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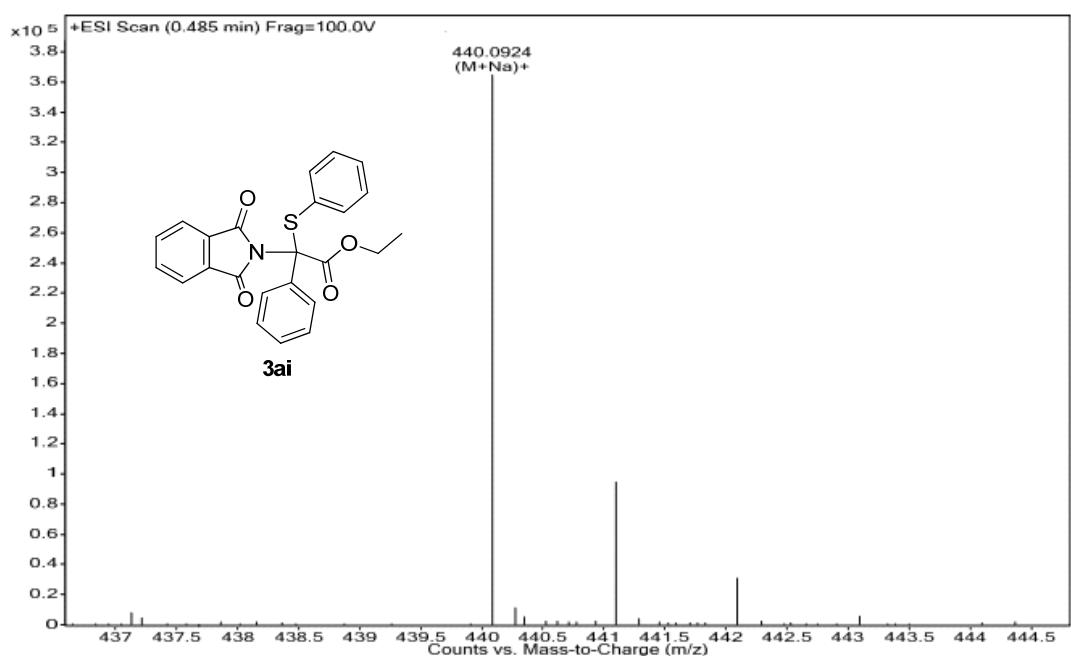


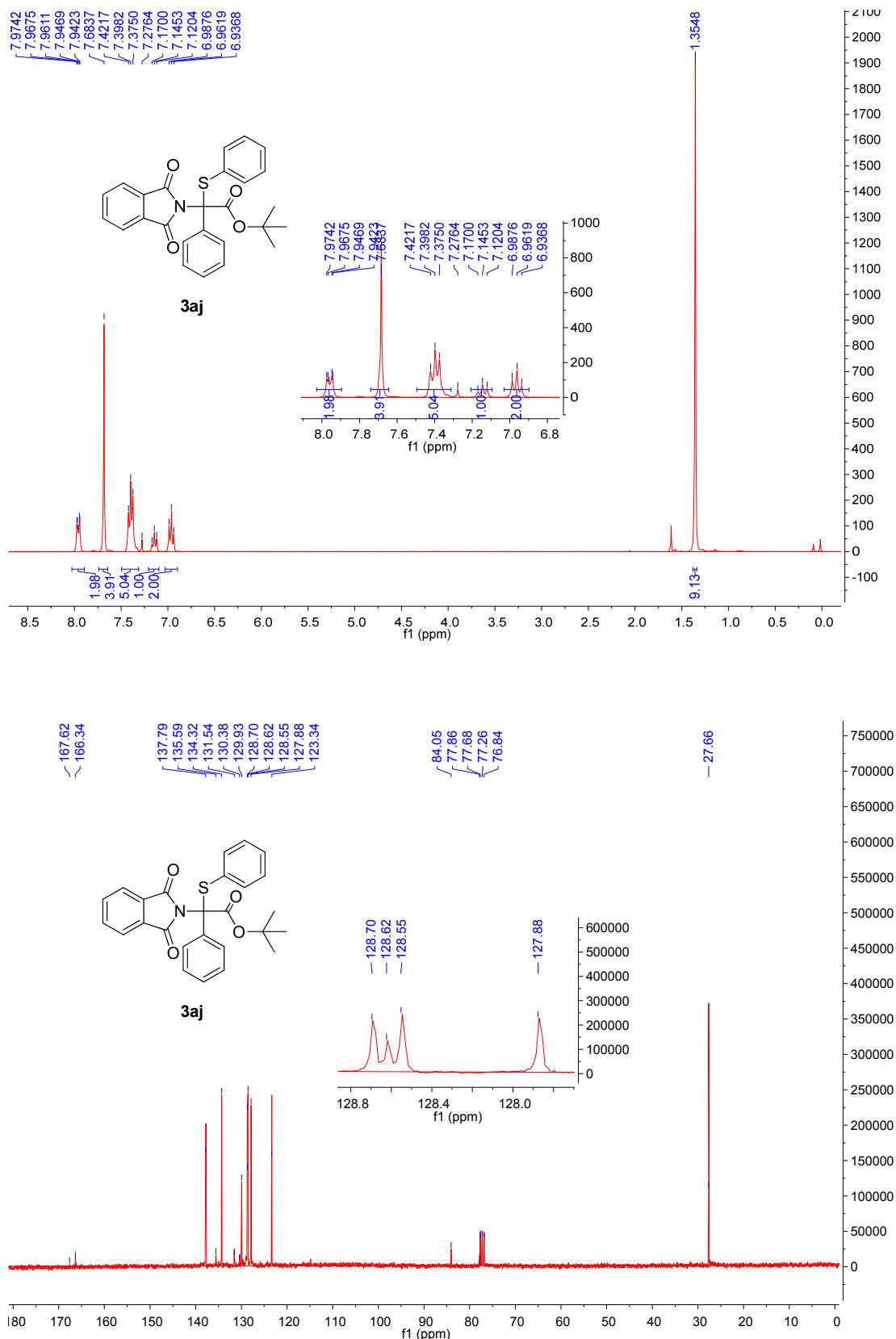
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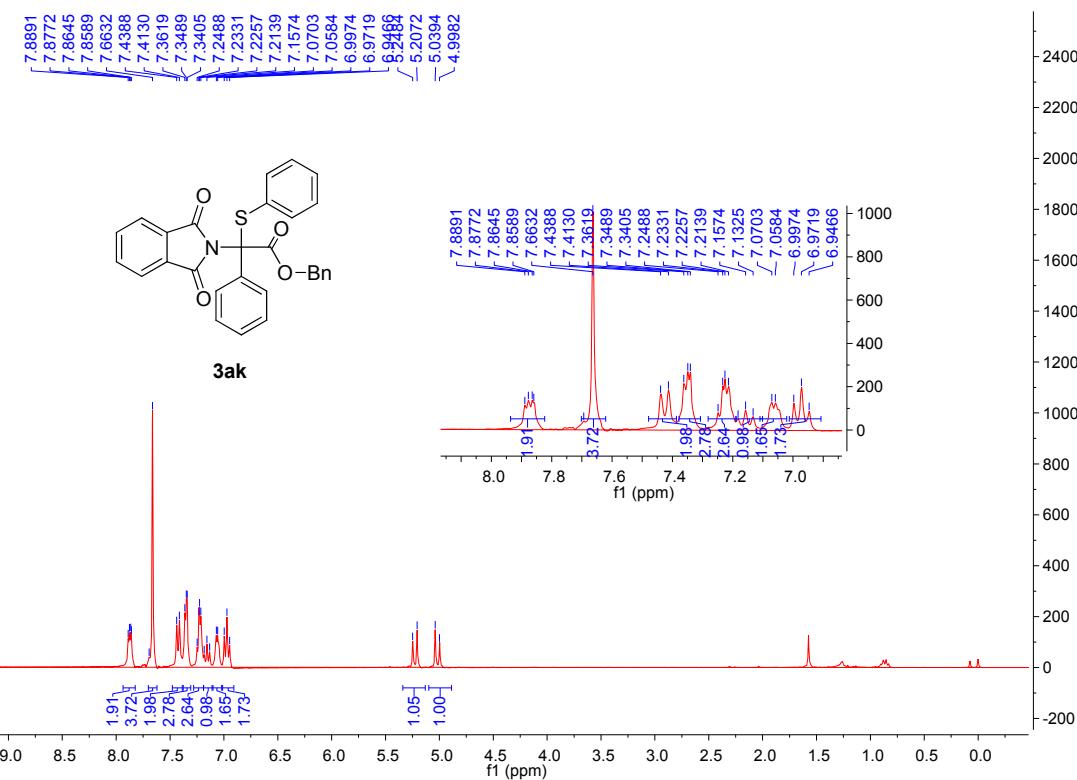
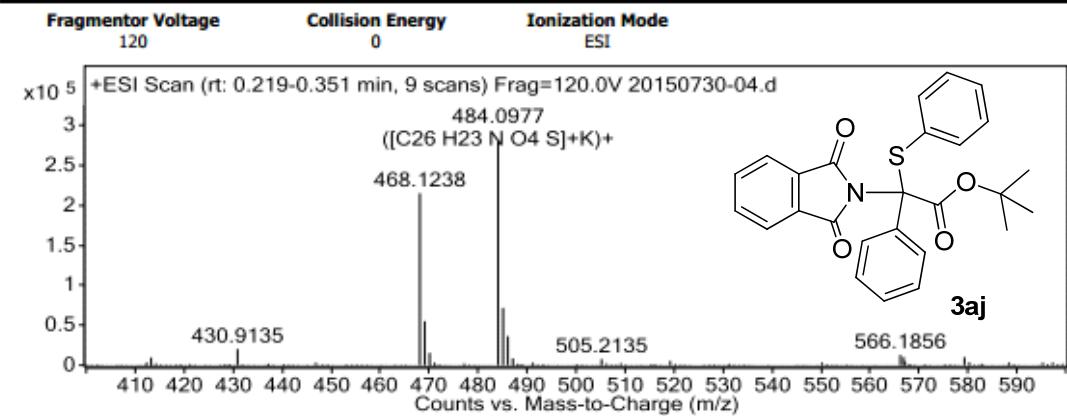


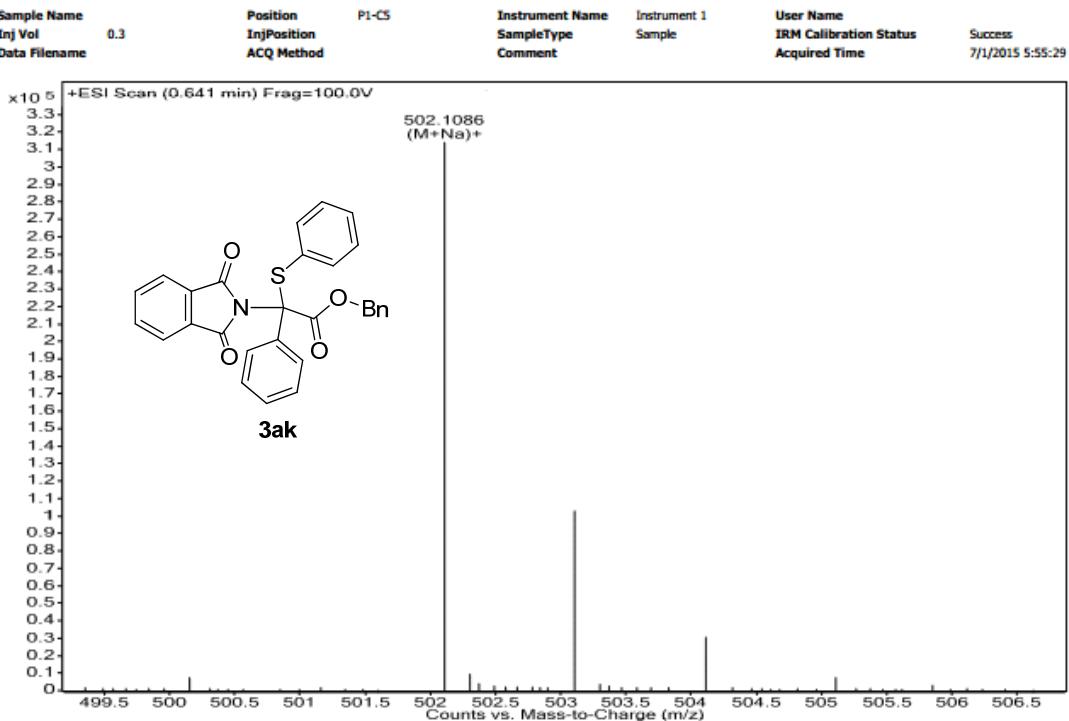
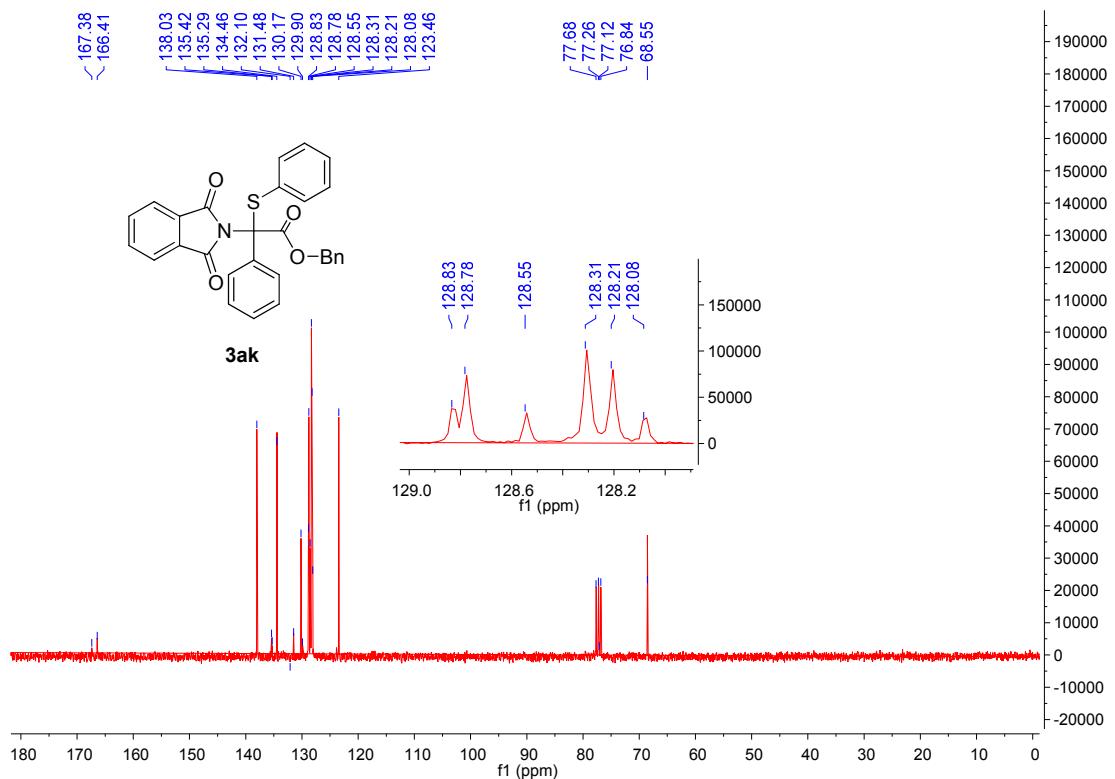


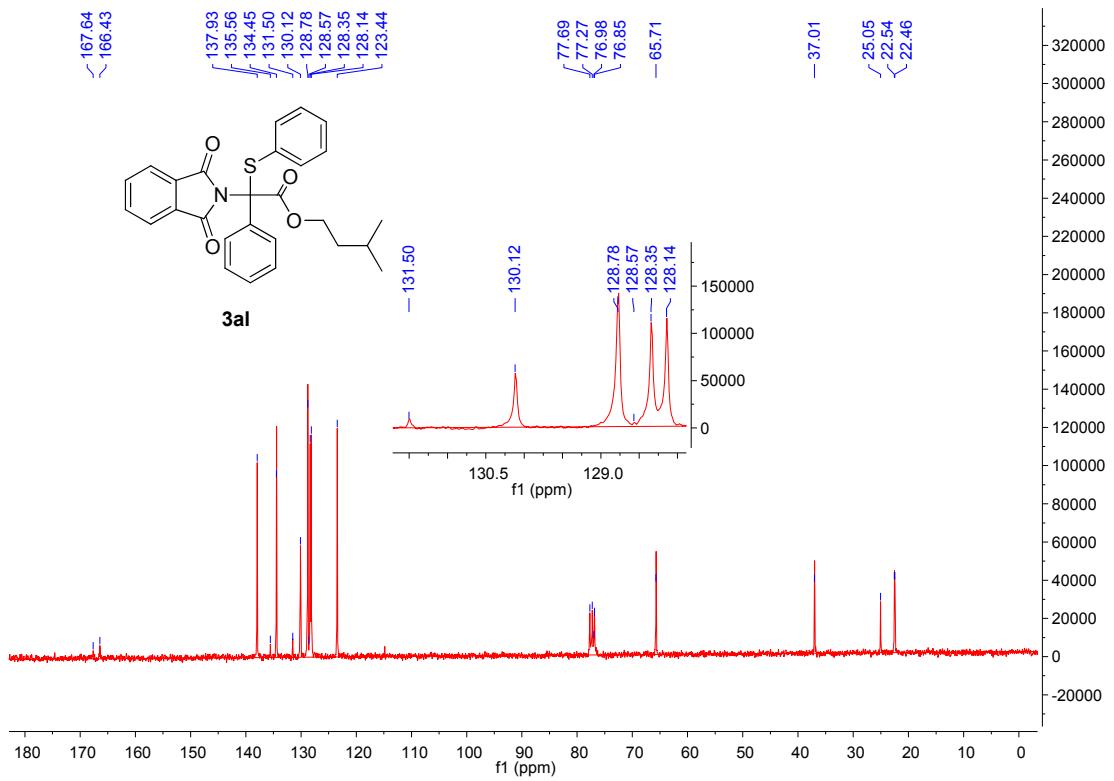
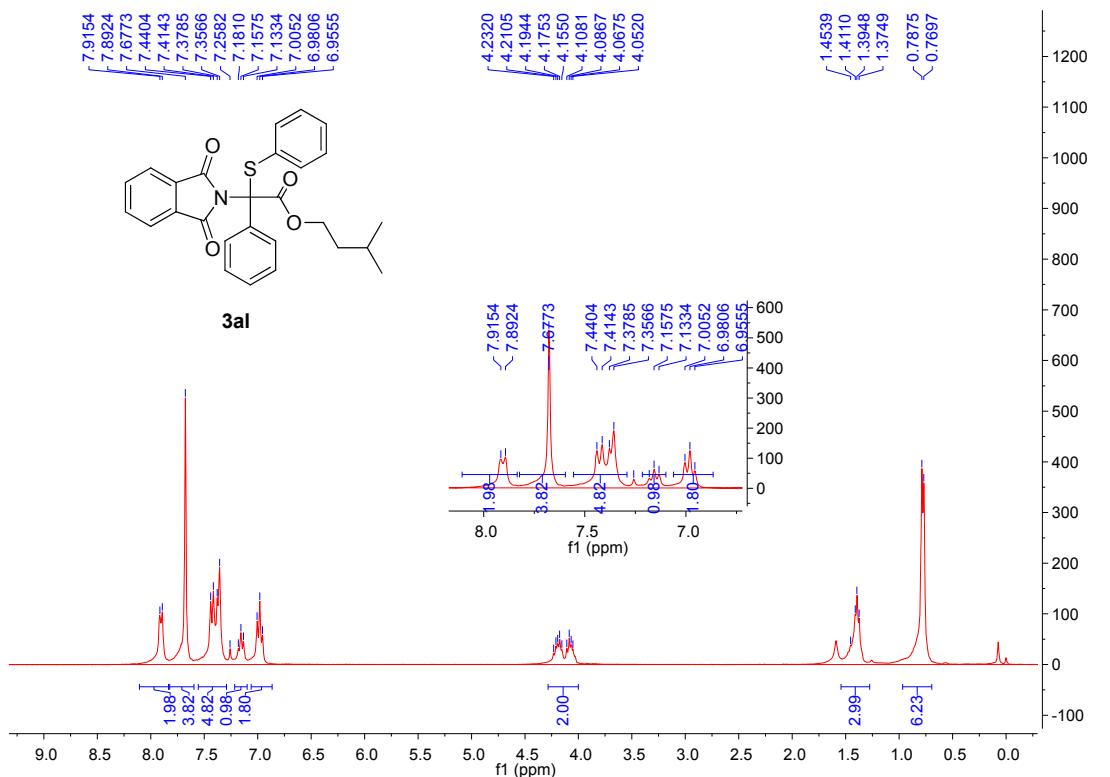
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