

# Supporting Information

## Transition-Metal-Free Synthesis of $\beta$ -Trifluoromethylated Enamines with Trifluoromethanesulfinate

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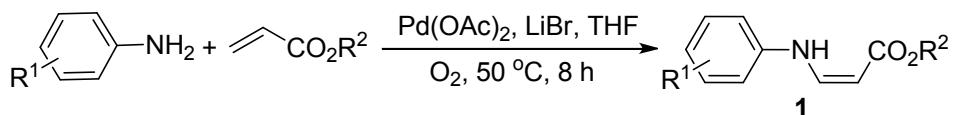
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## A. General Methods

All the commercial reagents were used without further purification.  $^1\text{H}$ ,  $^{13}\text{C}$  and  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker DRX-400 spectrometer using  $\text{CDCl}_3$  as solvent with TMS as the internal standard. The chemical shifts are referenced to signals at 7.26 and 77.0 ppm, respectively. Mass spectra were recorded on a Thermo Scientific ISQ gas chromatograph-mass spectrometer. The data of HRMS was carried out on a high-resolution mass spectrometer (LCMS-IT-TOF). IR spectra were obtained either as potassium bromide pellets or as liquid films between two potassium bromide pellets with a Bruker TENSOR 27 spectrometer. Melting points were determined with a Büchi Melting Point B-545 instrument. TLC was performed using commercially available 100-400 mesh silica gel plates ( $\text{GF}_{254}$ ). X-ray structural analyses were conducted on an x-ray analysis instrument.

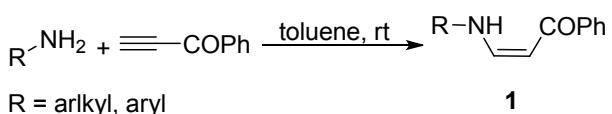
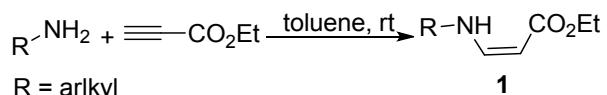
## B. General Procedure for the Preparation of 1 and 3

### General Procedure for the Preparation of 1a-1x, 1a'-1g' [1]



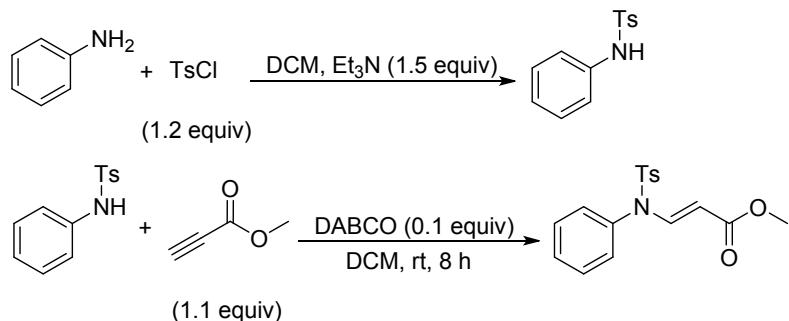
To a 25 mL round bottom flask, a solution of  $\text{Pd(OAc)}_2$  (0.15 mmol), LiBr (10 mmol), amine (5 mmol), and alkene (6 mmol) in THF (10 mL) with an  $\text{O}_2$  balloon, and the mixture was heated at 50 °C under magnetic stirring for 8 h. After completion, the reaction mixture was quenched with water (10 mL) and extracted with ethyl acetate. The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried over  $\text{MgSO}_4$ , and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc/Et<sub>3</sub>N) to afford the corresponding products **1a-1x, 1a'-1g'** in 60-90% yields.

### General Procedure for the Preparation of 1y-1z, 1h'-1i' [2]



To a 25 mL round bottom flask, a solution of amine (5.5 mmol) in toluene, was added ethyl propiolate or ynnone (5 mmol). The mixture was stirred at room temperature for about 4 h and monitored by TLC. After the completion of the reaction, the reaction mixture was then concentrated under reduced pressure and residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography using EtOAc/petroleum ether to afford the corresponding products **1y-1z, 1h'-1i'** in 80-90% yields.

### General Procedure for the Preparation of 3 [3]



To a stirred solution of aniline (10 mmol) and  $\text{Et}_3\text{N}$  (15 mmol) in dry DCM at 0 °C was added *p*-toluenesulfonyl chloride (TsCl) (12 mmol) portion wise and reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1 h. Then the reaction mixture was acidified by the addition of dilute HCl and the aqueous layer was extracted with DCM. The combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$  and evaporated under reduced pressure to afford N-Ts aniline in quantitative yield. Then to a stirred solution of N-Ts aniline (5 mmol) in dry  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ , was added DABCO (0.1 equiv) and ethyl propiolate (1.1 equiv.) at room temperature and stirred for 8 h (TLC). The reaction mixture was then concentrated under reduced pressure and residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography using  $\text{EtOAc}/\text{petroleum ether}$  to yield the vinylogous carbamate in about 85% yield.

### General Procedure for the Preparation of 2

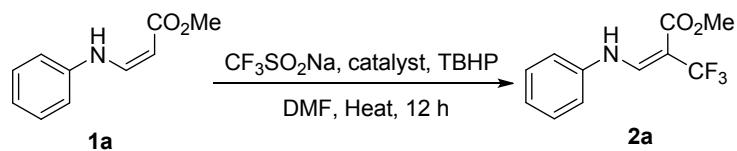
To a test tube, a mixture of enamine **1** (0.5 mmol),  $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{Na}$  (2 mmol), DMF (2 mL) was added TBHP (4 equiv, 274  $\mu\text{L}$ , 70% solution in water) slowly under a vigorous stirring. Then the mixture was stirred under the atmosphere of air at 50 °C for 12 h. After the reaction was completed (monitored by TLC), water (10 mL) was added to the reaction mixture, and the resulting mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate. The combined organic layers were then dried over  $\text{MgSO}_4$ , filtered, and then concentrated in vacuo. Purification of the residue on a preparative TLC afforded the desired products **2**.

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### C. Optimization of the Reaction Conditions

**Table S1.** Screening reaction conditions for trifluoromethylation of enamines<sup>a</sup>



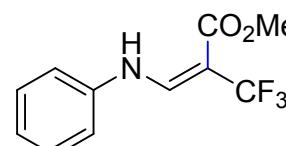
Entry	Catalyst	T/°C	Yield of <b>2a</b> <sup>b</sup> (%)
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1	-	rt	56
2	-	80	60
3	CuCl	50	63
4	CuBr	50	63
5	CuI	50	68
6	CuCl <sub>2</sub> ·2H <sub>2</sub> O	50	64
7	Cu(OAc) <sub>2</sub>	50	66
8	Cu(OTf) <sub>2</sub>	50	67
9	CuSO <sub>4</sub> ·5H <sub>2</sub> O	50	64
10	Cu(acac) <sub>2</sub>	50	69
11 <sup>c</sup>	-	50	51
12 <sup>d</sup>	-	50	69
13 <sup>c</sup>	Cu(OAc) <sub>2</sub>	50	61
14 <sup>d</sup>	Cu(OAc) <sub>2</sub>	50	43
15 <sup>e</sup>	-	50	59
16 <sup>f</sup>	-	50	12

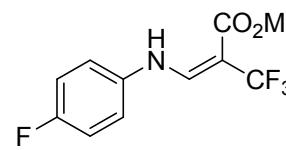
<sup>a</sup> Reaction conditions: All reactions were performed with **1a** (0.1 mmol), CF<sub>3</sub>SO<sub>2</sub>Na (4 equiv), catalyst (10 mol%), TBHP (2 equiv), DMF (1 mL) for 12 h unless otherwise noted. <sup>b</sup> Determined by <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectroscopy using fluorobenzene as an internal standard. <sup>c</sup> The reaction proceeded with an O<sub>2</sub> balloon. <sup>d</sup> Under N<sub>2</sub> atmosphere. <sup>e</sup> With CF<sub>3</sub>SO<sub>2</sub>Na (2 equiv). <sup>f</sup> With CF<sub>3</sub>SO<sub>2</sub>Na (1 equiv).

## D. Analytical Data

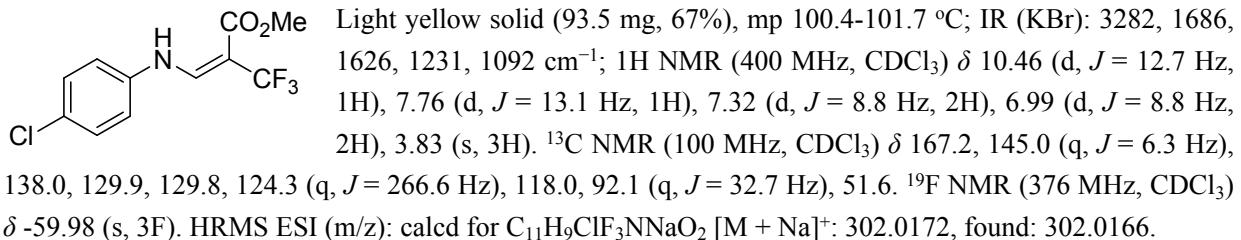
### (E)-Methyl 3-(Phenylamino)-2-(trifluoromethyl)acrylate (2a)

 Yellow solid (104.1 mg, 85%), mp 59.2-60.7 °C; IR (KBr): 3240, 1685, 1638, 1235, 1113 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 10.47 (d, *J* = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 7.84 (d, *J* = 13.3 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.14 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.06 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.84 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 167.2, 145.3 (q, *J* = 6.3 Hz), 139.3, 129.8, 124.6, 124.5 (q, *J* = 266.6 Hz), 116.8, 91.4 (q, *J* = 32.3 Hz), 51.4. <sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ -59.79 (s, 3F). HRMS ESI (m/z): calcd for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>10</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NNaO<sub>2</sub> [M + Na]<sup>+</sup>: 268.0561, found: 268.0556.

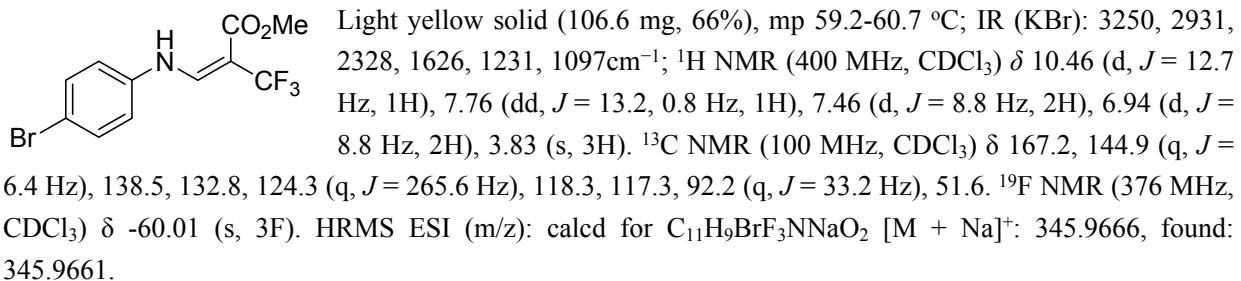
### (E)-Methyl 3-((4-Fluorophenyl)amino)-2-(trifluoromethyl)acrylate (2b)

 White solid (94.7 mg, 72%), mp 64.3-66.1 °C; IR (KBr): 3297, 1685, 1630, 1223, 1093 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 10.46 (d, *J* = 12.7 Hz, 1H), 7.75 (dd, *J* = 13.2, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 7.10-7.03 (m, 4H), 3.84 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 167.3, 159.8 (d, *J* = 242.9 Hz), 145.8 (q, *J* = 6.3 Hz), 135.7 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz), 124.5 (q, *J* = 266.5 Hz), 118.5 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz), 116.6 (d, *J* = 23 Hz), 91.5 (q, *J* = 32.5 Hz), 51.4. <sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ -59.86 (s, 3F), -117.89--117.96 (m, 1F). HRMS ESI (m/z): calcd for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>9</sub>F<sub>4</sub>NNaO<sub>2</sub> [M + Na]<sup>+</sup>: 286.0467, found: 286.0462.

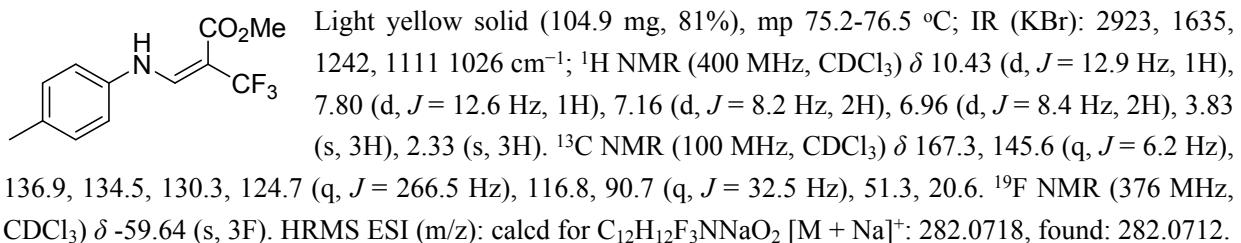
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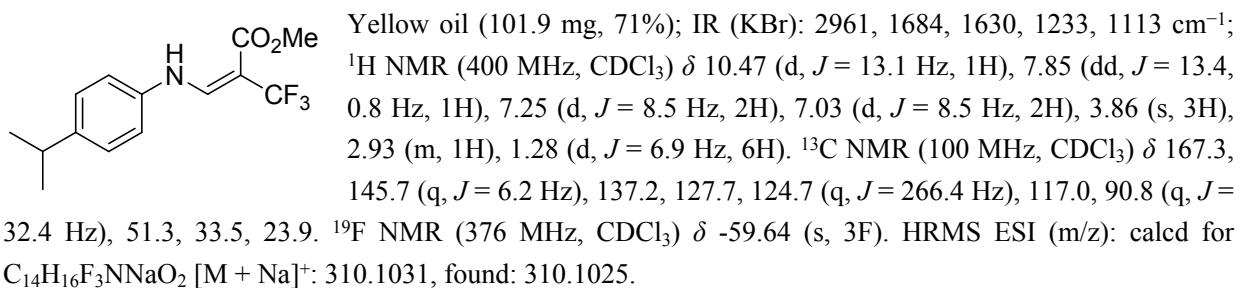
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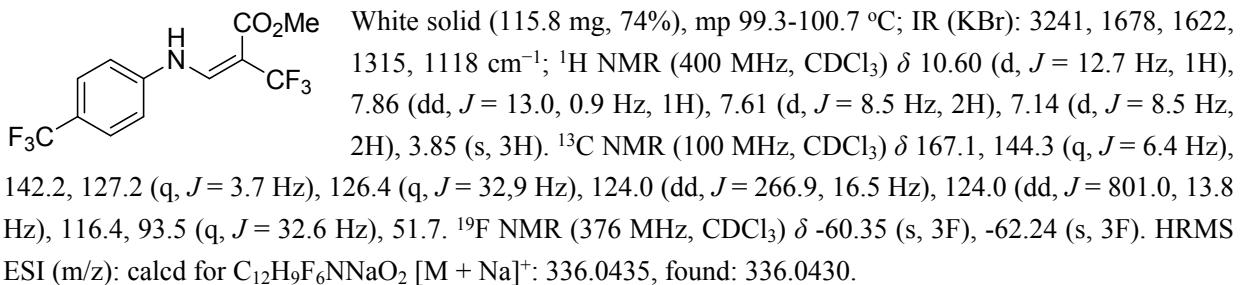
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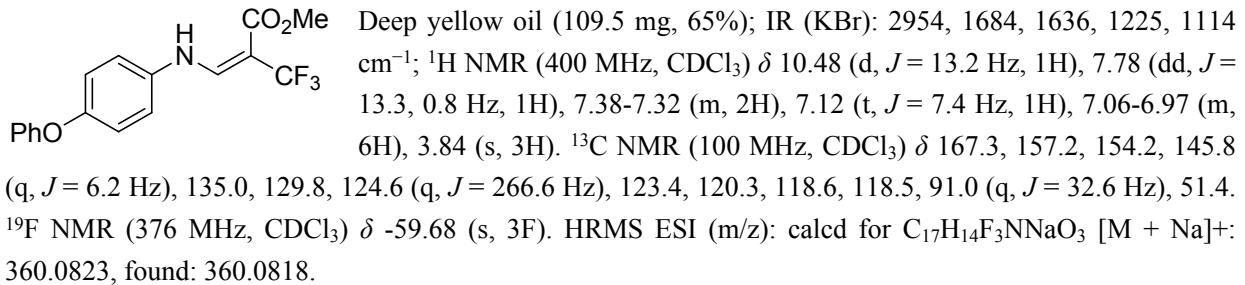
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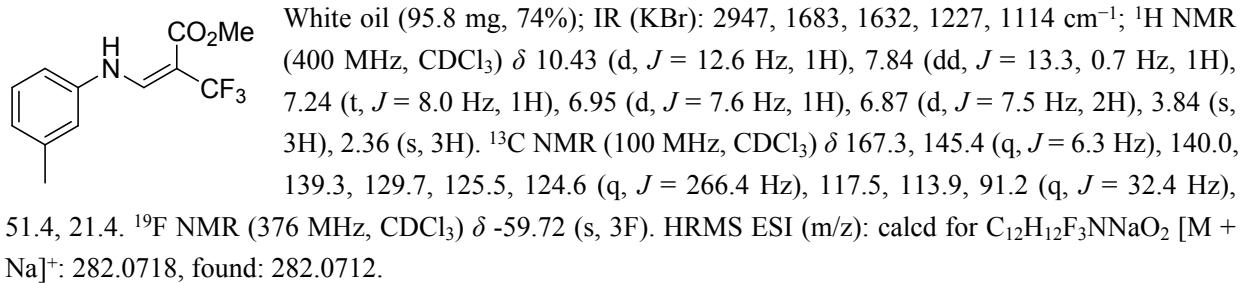
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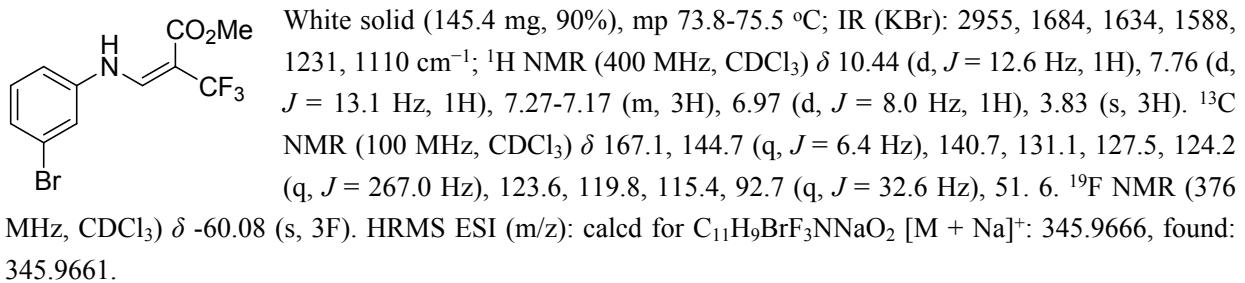
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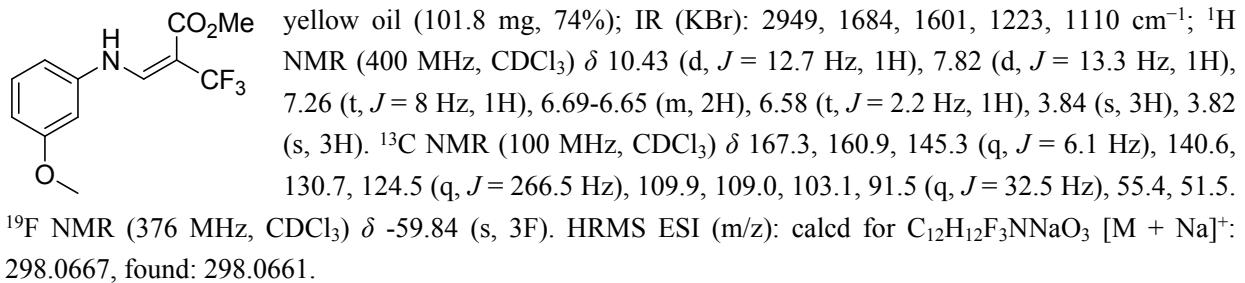
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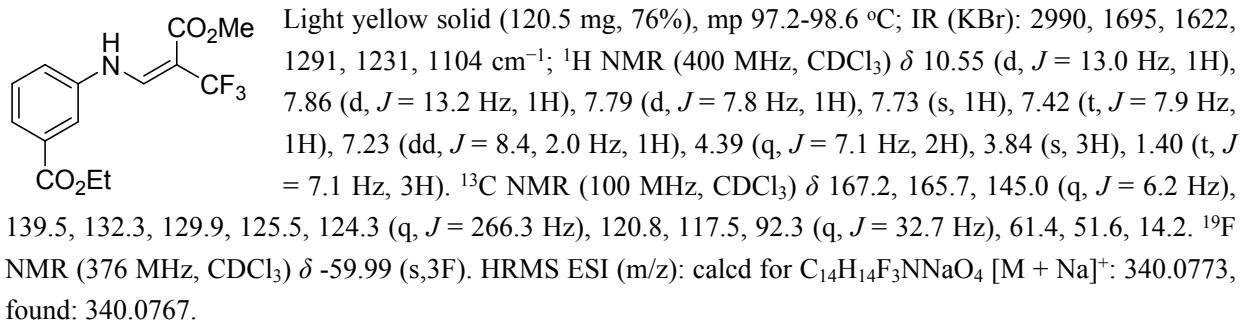
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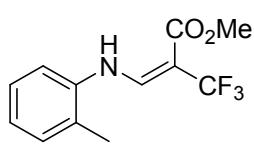
**(E)-Methyl 3-((3-Methoxyphenyl)amino)-2-(trifluoromethyl)acrylate (2k)**



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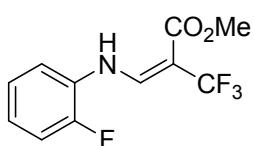


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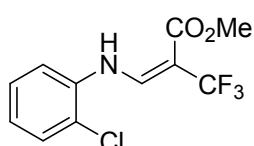
Light yellow solid (89.4 mg, 69%), mp 64.7-65.7 °C; IR (KBr): 2938, 1666, 1599, 1244, 1107 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 10.59 (d, *J* = 12.1 Hz, 1H), 7.87 (d, *J* = 13.1 Hz, 1H), 7.27-7.20 (m, 2H), 7.12 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.07 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 2.36 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 167.5, 145.8 (q, *J* = 6.2 Hz), 138.0, 131.2, 127.4, 127.0, 124.6 (q, *J* = 266.4 Hz), 124.6, 114.9, 91.5 (q, *J* = 32.5 Hz), 51.5 (d, *J* = 3.1 Hz), 17.3 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz). <sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ -59.75 (s, 3F). HRMS ESI (m/z): calcd for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>12</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NNaO<sub>2</sub> [M + Na]<sup>+</sup>: 282.0718, found: 282.0712.

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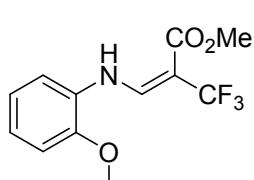
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**(E)-Methyl 3-((2-Chlorophenyl)amino)-2-(trifluoromethyl)acrylate (2o)**



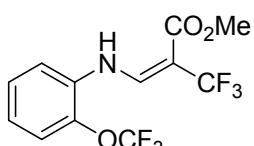
White solid (118.6 mg, 85%), mp 98.2-99.8 °C; IR (KBr): 2941, 1684, 1627, 1236, 1098 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 10.89 (d, *J* = 12.6 Hz, 1H), 7.84 (d, *J* = 13.0 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.31-7.26 (m, 1H), 7.18 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (td, *J* = 7.9, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 3.86 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 166.8, 143.8 (q, *J* = 6.4 Hz), 136.3, 130.2, 128.1, 124.7, 124.3 (q, *J* = 266.8 Hz), 123.3, 114.9, 93.3 (q, *J* = 32.3 Hz), 51.7. <sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ -60.20 (s, 3F). HRMS ESI (m/z): calcd for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>9</sub>ClF<sub>3</sub>NNaO<sub>2</sub> [M + Na]<sup>+</sup>: 302.0172, found: 302.0166.

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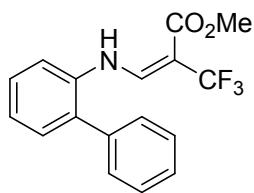
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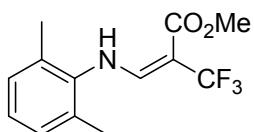
White oil (151.3 mg, 92%); IR (KBr): 2955, 1687, 1638, 1254, 1198 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 10.76 (d, *J* = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 7.82 (d, *J* = 13.0 Hz, 1H), 7.34-7.28 (m, 2H), 7.24 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.12 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 3.86 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 166.7, 143.9 (q, *J* = 6.4 Hz), 138.5, 132.5, 128.0, 124.4, 124.2 (q, *J* = 266.9 Hz), 122.0 (d, *J* = 1.1 Hz), 120.6 (q, *J* = 257.9 Hz), 115.6, 93.8 (q, *J* = 32.5 Hz), 51.7. <sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ -58.05 (s), -60.40 (s, 3F). HRMS ESI (m/z): calcd for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>9</sub>F<sub>6</sub>NNaO<sub>3</sub> [M + Na]<sup>+</sup>: 352.0384, found: 352.0379.

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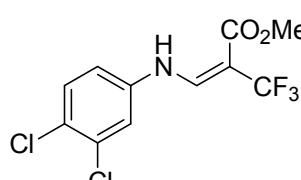
White solid (96.3 mg, 60%), mp 77.6-79.1 °C; IR (KBr): 2954, 1688, 1633, 1306, 1232, 1117 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 10.31 (d, *J* = 12.8 Hz, 1H), 7.80 (d, *J* = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 7.52-7.48 (m, 2H), 7.44-7.41 (m, 1H), 7.39-7.35 (m, 3H), 7.31-7.28 (m, 1H), 7.23-7.17 (m, 2H), 3.65 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 166.2, 144.9 (q, *J* = 6.1 Hz), 137.3, 136.9, 132.5, 131.2, 129.2, 129.1, 128.9, 128.1, 125.9, 124.6 (q, *J* = 266.8 Hz), 124.5, 115.5, 91.5 (q, *J* = 32.0 Hz), 51.3. <sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ -59.85 (s, 3F). HRMS ESI (m/z): calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>14</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NNaO<sub>2</sub> [M + Na]<sup>+</sup>: 344.0874, found: 344.0869.

**(E)-Methyl 3-((2,6-Dimethylphenyl)amino)-2-(trifluoromethyl)acrylate (2s)**



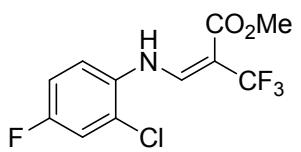
White solid (101.0 mg, 74%), mp 70.1-72.6 °C; IR (KBr): 2925, 1686, 1630, 1229, 1112 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 9.93 (d, *J* = 12.9 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (dd, *J* = 13.6, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 7.11 (s, 3H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 2.31 (s, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 167.5, 152.1 (q, *J* = 6.2 Hz), 137.8, 132.8, 128.9, 126.9, 124.8 (q, *J* = 266.2 Hz), 89.3 (q, *J* = 32.4 Hz), 51.2, 18.3. <sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ -59.53 (s, 3F). HRMS ESI (m/z): calcd for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>14</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NNaO<sub>2</sub> [M + Na]<sup>+</sup>: 296.0874, found: 296.0869.

**(E)-Methyl 3-((3,4-Dichlorophenyl)amino)-2-(trifluoromethyl)acrylate (2t)**



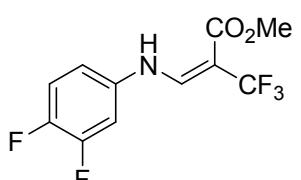
Light yellow solid (104.8 mg, 67%), mp 82.3-83.9 °C; IR (KBr): 2956, 1684, 1640, 1233, 1122 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 10.47 (d, *J* = 12.7 Hz, 1H), 7.72 (dd, *J* = 13.0, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.16 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 6.90 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 2.7 Hz, 1H), 3.84 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 167.1, 144.5 (q, *J* = 6.3 Hz), 138.9, 133.9, 131.4, 128.0, 124.1 (q, *J* = 267.0 Hz), 118.4, 116.0, 93.1 (q, *J* = 32.6 Hz), 51.7. <sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ -60.23 (s, 3F). HRMS ESI (m/z): calcd for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>8</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NNaO<sub>2</sub> [M + Na]<sup>+</sup>: 335.9782, found: 335.9776.

**(E)-Methyl 3-((2-Chloro-4-fluorophenyl)amino)-2-(trifluoromethyl)acrylate (2u)**



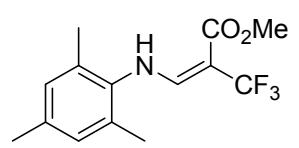
White solid (95.0 mg, 64%), mp 91.3-92.5 °C; IR (KBr): 3217, 1687, 1628, 1219, 1097 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 10.82 (d, *J* = 12.6 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (d, *J* = 12.9 Hz, 1H), 7.22-7.14 (m, 2H), 7.07-7.01 (m, 1H), 3.86 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 167.0, 158.7 (d, *J* = 246.0 Hz), 144.3 (q, *J* = 6.3 Hz), 133.2 (d, *J* = 3.3 Hz), 124.2 (q, *J* = 266.8 Hz), 124.1 (d, *J* = 10.3 Hz), 117.6 (d, *J* = 36 Hz), 116.3 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz), 115.3 (d, *J* = 22.6 Hz), 93.4 (q, *J* = 32.6 Hz), 51.8. <sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ -60.25 (s, 3F), -116.52 (s, 1F). HRMS ESI (m/z): calcd for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>8</sub>ClF<sub>4</sub>NNaO<sub>2</sub> [M + Na]<sup>+</sup>: 320.0077, found: 320.0072.

**(E)-Methyl 3-((3,4-Difluorophenyl)amino)-2-(trifluoromethyl)acrylate (2v)**

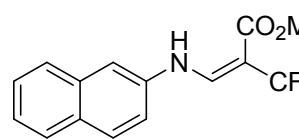


White solid (98.4 mg, 70%), mp 86.5-87.5 °C; IR (KBr): 3234, 1691, 1629, 1218, 1102 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 10.45 (d, *J* = 12.3 Hz, 1H), 7.69 (dd, *J* = 13.0, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 7.16 (dd, *J* = 18.3, 8.8 Hz, 1H), 6.94-6.88 (m, 1H), 6.82-6.76 (m, 1H), 3.84 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 167.2, 150.9 (dd, *J* = 248.6, 13.7 Hz), 147.4 (dd, *J* = 244.9, 12.6 Hz), 145.2 (q, *J* = 6.3 Hz), 136.2 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 3.1 Hz), 124.2 (q, *J* = 266.9 Hz), 118.5 (d, *J* = 18.6 Hz), 112.7 (dd, *J* = 6.2, 3.6 Hz), 106.5 (d, *J* = 20.8 Hz), 92.6 (q, *J* = 32.8 Hz), 51.7. <sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ -60.16 (s, 3F), -134.12 (d, 1F), -142.44 (d, 1F). HRMS ESI (m/z): calcd for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>8</sub>F<sub>5</sub>NNaO<sub>2</sub> [M + Na]<sup>+</sup>: 304.0373, found: 304.0367.

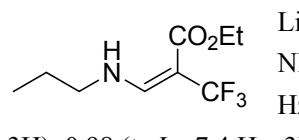
**(E)-Methyl 3-(Mesylamino)-2-(trifluoromethyl)acrylate (2w)**

 White solid (107.6 mg, 75%), mp 93.3-94.5 °C; IR (KBr): 3297, 1683, 1632, 1220, 1110 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 9.83 (d, *J* = 13.1 Hz, 1H), 7.32 (dd, *J* = 13.6, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (s, 2H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 2.29 (s, 3H), 2.25 (s, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 167.6, 152.5 (q, *J* = 6.2 Hz), 136.8, 135.3, 132.8, 129.5, 124.9 (q, *J* = 266.3 Hz), 89.0 (q, *J* = 32.6 Hz), 51.2, 20.8, 18.2. <sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ -59.81 (s, 3F). HRMS ESI (m/z): calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>16</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NNaO<sub>2</sub> [M + Na]<sup>+</sup>: 310.1031, found: 310.1025.

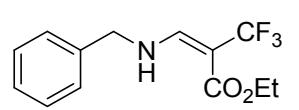
**(E)-Methyl 3-(Naphthalen-2-ylamino)-2-(trifluoromethyl)acrylate (2x)**

 Light yellow solid (106.2 mg, 72%), mp 77.3-79.1 °C; IR (KBr): 2939, 1678, 1624, 1223, 1107 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 10.65 (d, *J* = 12.9 Hz, 1H), 7.99 (dd, *J* = 13.2, 0.7 Hz, 1H), 7.85 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.79 (dd, *J* = 11.8, 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.53-7.48 (m, 1H), 7.47-7.39 (m, 2H), 7.24 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 3.87 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 167.3, 145.3 (q, *J* = 6.2 Hz), 136.8, 133.9, 130.8, 130.1, 127.8, 127.3, 127.2, 125.3, 124.5 (q, *J* = 266.8 Hz), 117.1, 112.8, 91.6 (q, *J* = 32.6 Hz), 51.5. <sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ -59.76 (s, 3F). HRMS ESI (m/z): calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>12</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NNaO<sub>2</sub> [M + Na]<sup>+</sup>: 318.0718, found: 318.0712.

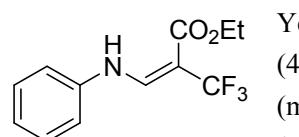
**(E)-Ethyl 3-(Propylamino)-2-(trifluoromethyl)acrylate (2y)**

 Light yellow oil (47.2 mg, 42%); IR (KBr): 3795, 2939, 1623, 1458, 1108 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.60 (s, 1H), 7.27 (d, *J* = 14.3 Hz, 1H), 4.24 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 3.24 (q, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 2H), 1.63 (dt, *J* = 14.4, 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.32 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H), 0.98 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 167.4, 152.9 (q, *J* = 5.9 Hz), 125.2 (q, *J* = 265.7 Hz), 87.1 (q, *J* = 32.1 Hz), 59.7, 51.1, 24.1, 14.3, 10.9. <sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ -58.97 (s, 3F). HRMS ESI (m/z): calcd for C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>14</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NNaO<sub>2</sub> [M + Na]<sup>+</sup>: 248.0874, found: 248.0869.

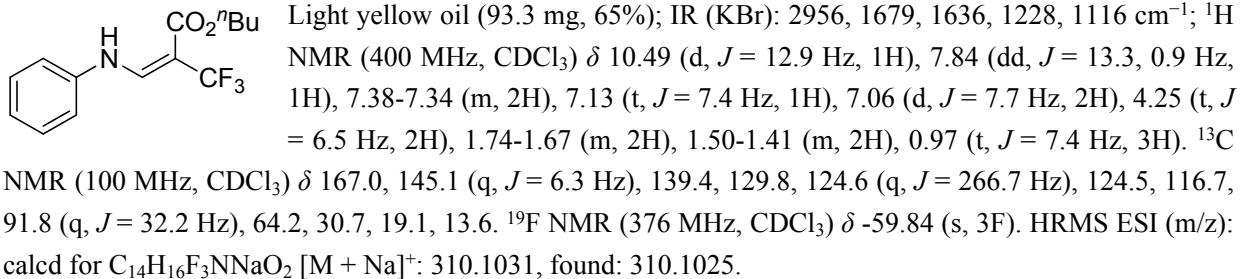
**(E)-Ethyl 3-(Benzylamino)-2-(trifluoromethyl)acrylate (2z)**

 Light yellow solid (61.4 mg, 45%), mp 55.0-55.9 °C; IR (KBr): 2936, 1685, 1623, 1392, 1224, 1108 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.85 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.39-7.29 (m, 4H), 7.26-7.22 (m, 2H), 4.43 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 4.21 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 1.29 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 167.2, 152.7 (q, *J* = 6.1 Hz), 136.9, 129.0, 128.1, 127.2, 125.0 (q, *J* = 266.0 Hz), 88.3 (q, *J* = 32.3 Hz), 59.9, 52.9, 14.3. <sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ -59.15 (s, 3F). HRMS ESI (m/z): calcd for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>14</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NNaO<sub>2</sub> [M + Na]<sup>+</sup>: 296.0874, found: 296.0869.

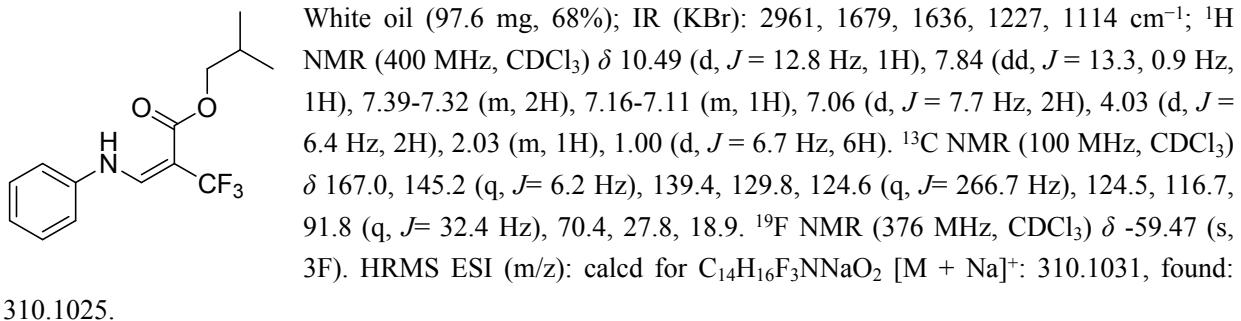
**(E)-Ethyl 3-(Phenylamino)-2-(trifluoromethyl)acrylate (2a')**

 Yellow oil (107.5 mg, 83%); IR (KBr): 2986, 1677, 1634, 1225, 1111 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 10.49 (d, *J* = 12.5 Hz, 1H), 7.84 (dd, *J* = 13.3, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (m, 2H), 7.13 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.06 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 4.30 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 1.35 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 166.9, 145.2 (q, *J* = 6.3 Hz), 139.4, 129.8, 124.6 (q, *J* = 266.7 Hz), 124.5, 116.7, 91.8 (q, *J* = 32.3 Hz), 60.4, 14.2. <sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ -59.80 (s, 3F). HRMS ESI (m/z): calcd for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>12</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NNaO<sub>2</sub> [M + Na]<sup>+</sup>: 282.0718, found: 282.0712.

**(E)-Butyl 3-(Phenylamino)-2-(trifluoromethyl)acrylate (2b')**

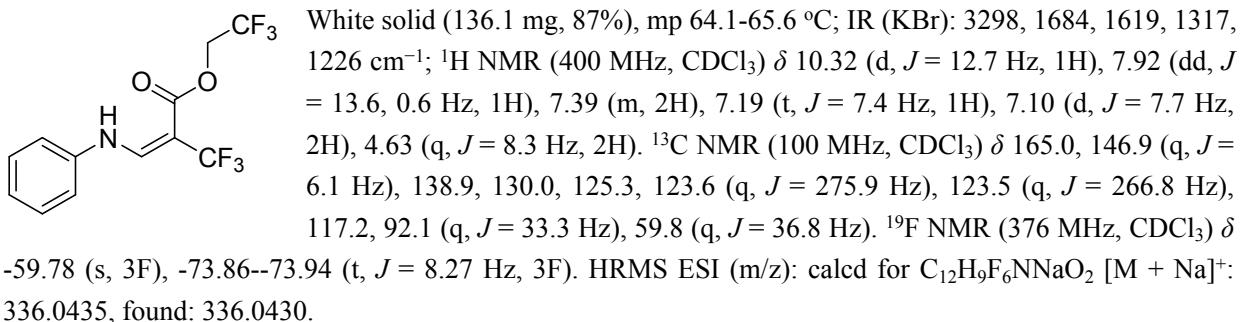


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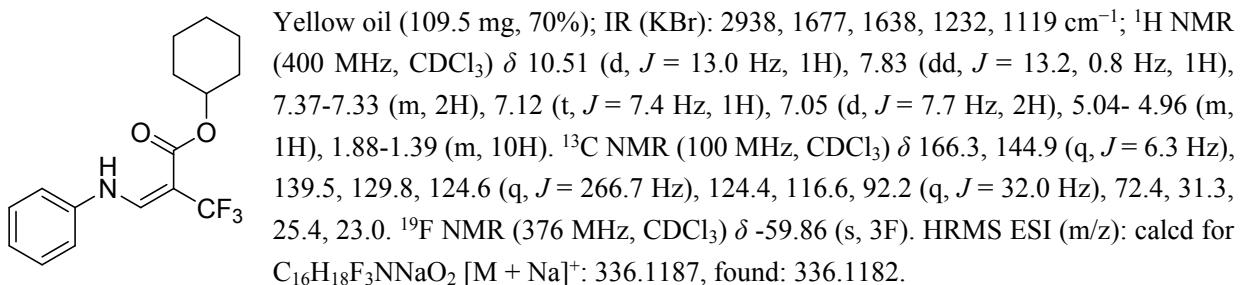


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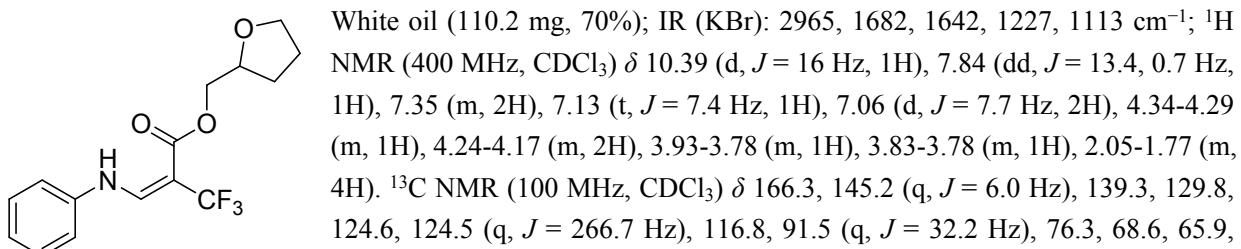
**(E)-2,2,2-Trifluoroethyl 3-(Phenylamino)-2-(trifluoromethyl)acrylate (2d')**



**(E)-Cyclohexyl 3-(Phenylamino)-2-(trifluoromethyl)acrylate (2e')**

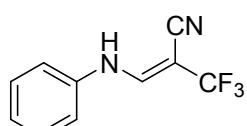


**(E)-(Tetrahydrofuran-2-yl)methyl 3-(Phenylamino)-2-(trifluoromethyl)acrylate (2f')**



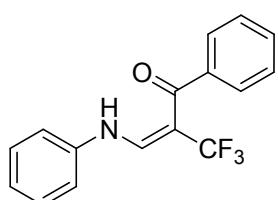
27.8, 25.7.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  -59.69 (s, 3F). HRMS ESI (m/z): calcd for  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{16}\text{F}_3\text{NNaO}_3$  [M + Na] $^+$ : 338.0980, found: 338.0974.

**(E)-3-(Phenylamino)-2-(Trifluoromethyl)acrylonitrile (2g')**



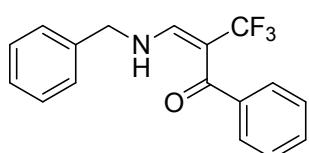
Yellow solid (63.6 mg, 60%), mp 143.8-145.4 °C; IR (KBr): 3249, 2218, 1663, 1297, 1108  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.15 (d,  $J$  = 13.9 Hz, 1H), 7.78 (d,  $J$  = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 7.42-7.35 (m, 2H), 7.19 (t,  $J$  = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.09 (d,  $J$  = 8.6 Hz, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  146.6 (q,  $J$  = 4.3 Hz), 138.8, 130.0, 125.2, 123.3 (q,  $J$  = 267.3 Hz), 117.1, 113.7, 74.2 (q,  $J$  = 38.5 Hz).  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  -58.69 (s, 3F). HRMS ESI (m/z): calcd for  $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_7\text{F}_3\text{N}_2\text{Na}$  [M + Na] $^+$ : 235.0459, found: 235.0454.

**(E)-1-Phenyl-3-(Phenylamino)-2-(trifluoromethyl)prop-2-en-1-one (2h')**



Yellow solid (80.0 mg, 55%), mp 64.3-65.4 °C; IR (KBr): 3060, 2927, 1653, 1320, 1107  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  12.50 (d,  $J$  = 11.5 Hz, 1H), 8.01 (d,  $J$  = 12.9 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (d,  $J$  = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.48-7.32 (m, 5H), 7.25-7.12 (m, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  194.3, 147.7 (q,  $J$  = 6.1 Hz), 141.0, 138.9, 130.2, 129.9, 127.9, 126.5 (d,  $J$  = 1.6 Hz), 125.7, 125.6 (q,  $J$  = 267.8 Hz), 117.7, 101.6 (q,  $J$  = 31.5 Hz).  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  -52.95 (s). HRMS ESI (m/z): calcd for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{12}\text{F}_3\text{NNaO}$  [M + Na] $^+$ : 314.0769, found: 314.0763.

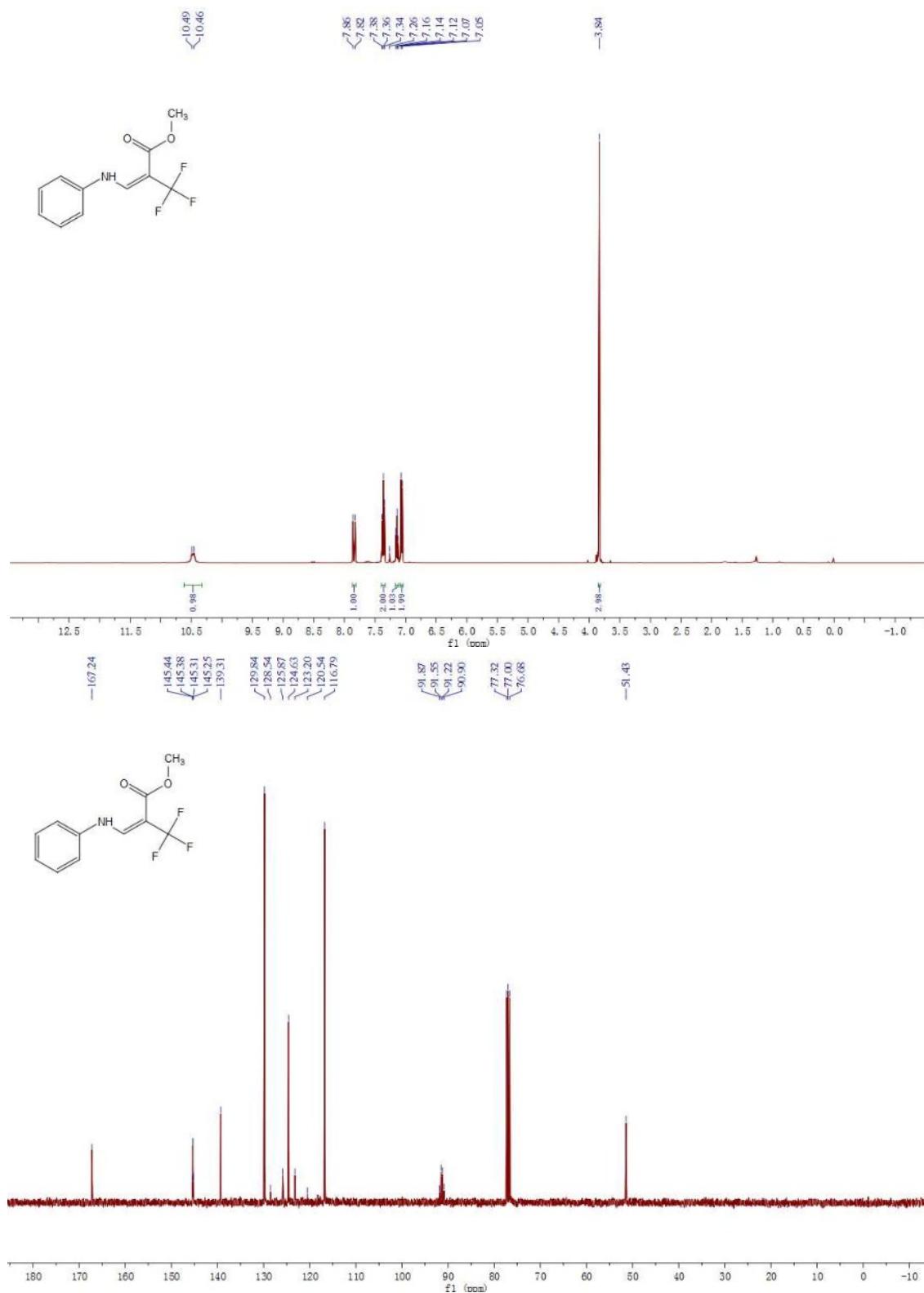
**(E)-3-(Benzylamino)-1-Phenyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)prop-2-en-1-one (2i')**

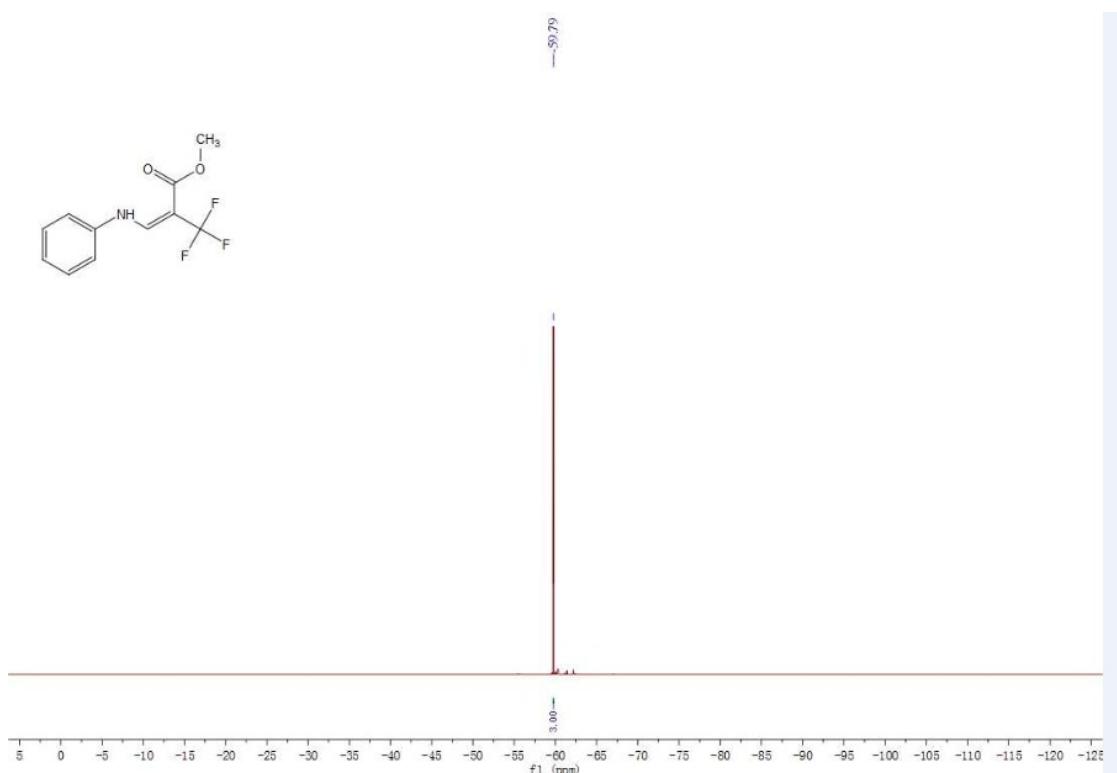


Light yellow solid (76.3 mg, 50%), mp 96.4-97.6 °C; IR (KBr): 3187, 2934, 1648, 1564, 1105  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  11.05 (s, 1H), 7.56 (d,  $J$  = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (d,  $J$  = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 7.42-7.32 (m, 6H), 7.28 (d,  $J$  = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 4.52 (d,  $J$  = 6.0 Hz, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  193.8, 155.2 (q,  $J$  = 6.0 Hz), 141.4, 136.1, 129.8, 129.1, 128.4, 127.8, 127.4, 126.4 (d,  $J$  = 1.5 Hz), 126.0 (q,  $J$  = 267.3 Hz), 99.3 (q,  $J$  = 31.4 Hz), 53.6.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  -52.39 (s, 3F). HRMS ESI (m/z): calcd for  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{14}\text{F}_3\text{NNaO}$  [M + Na] $^+$ : 328.0925, found: 328.0920.

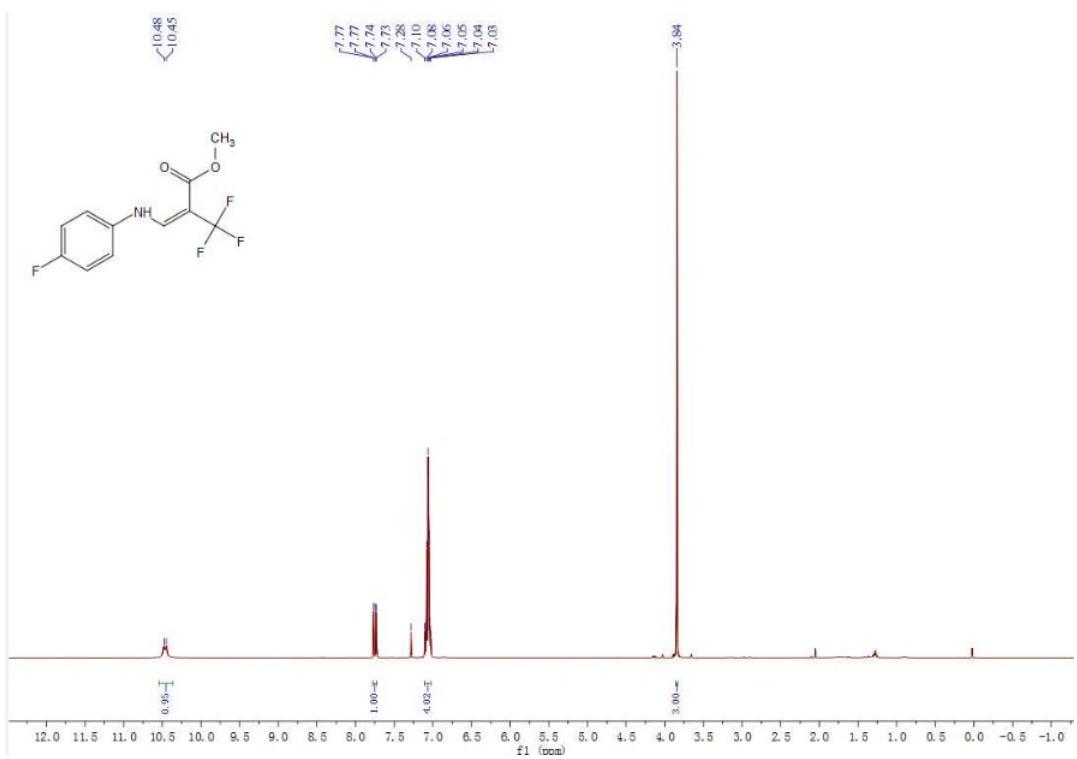
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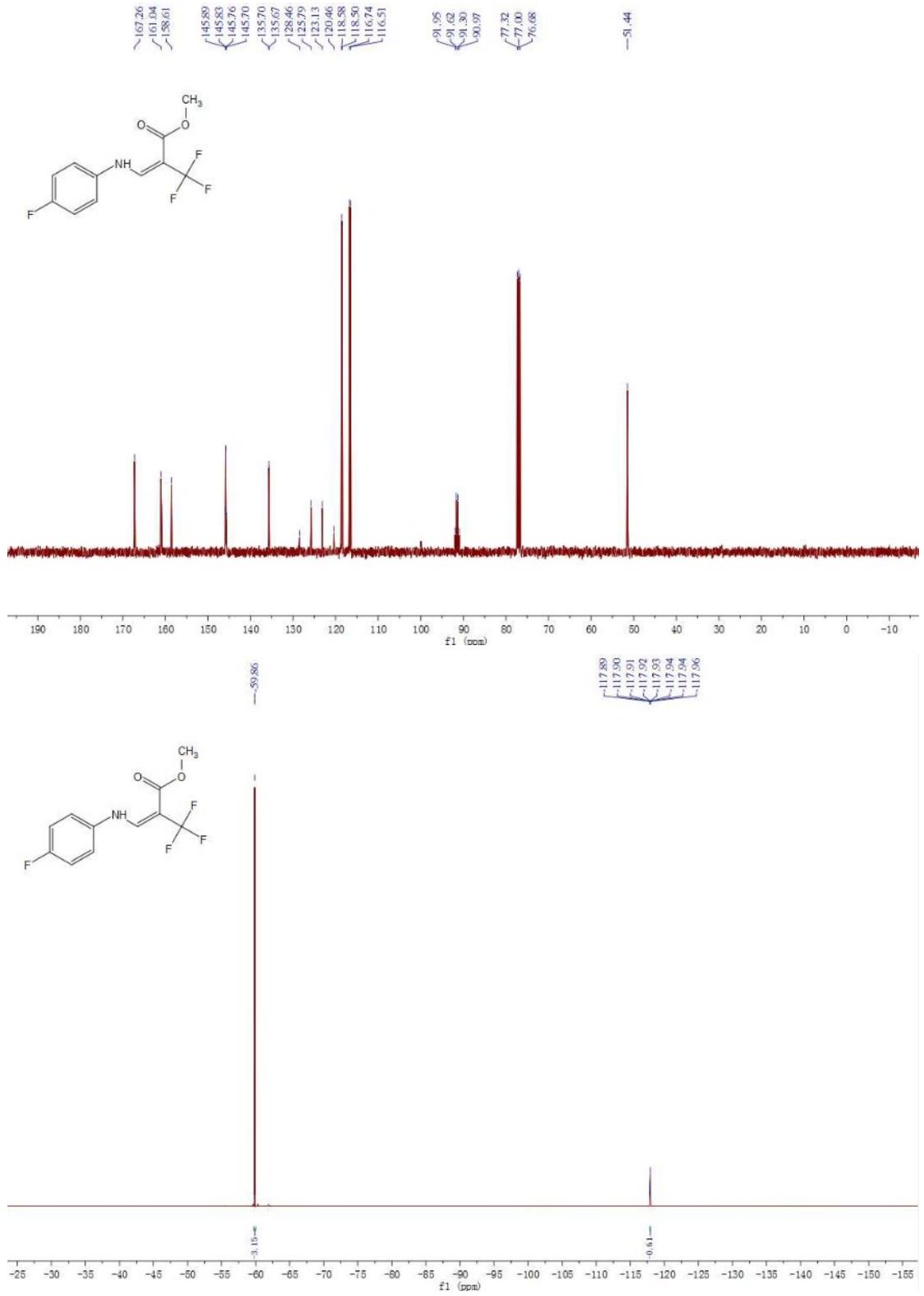
**2a**



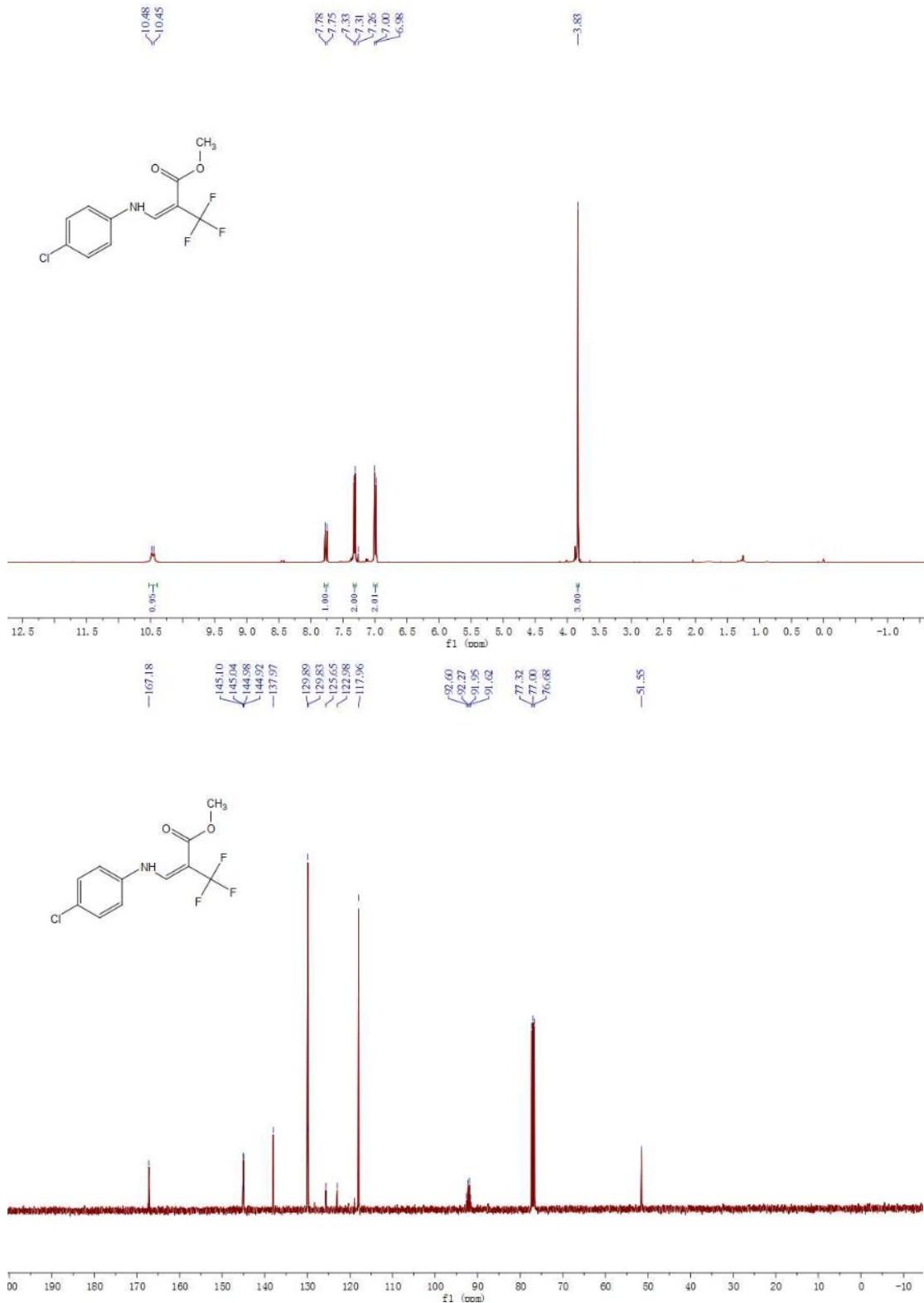


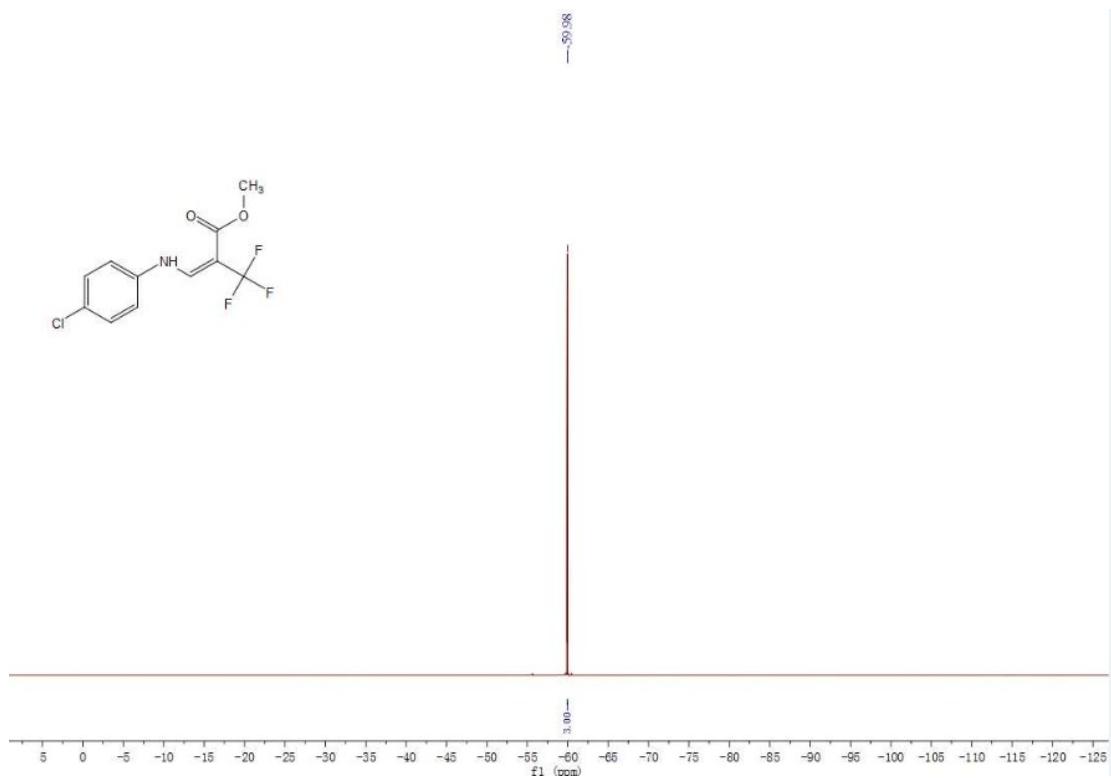
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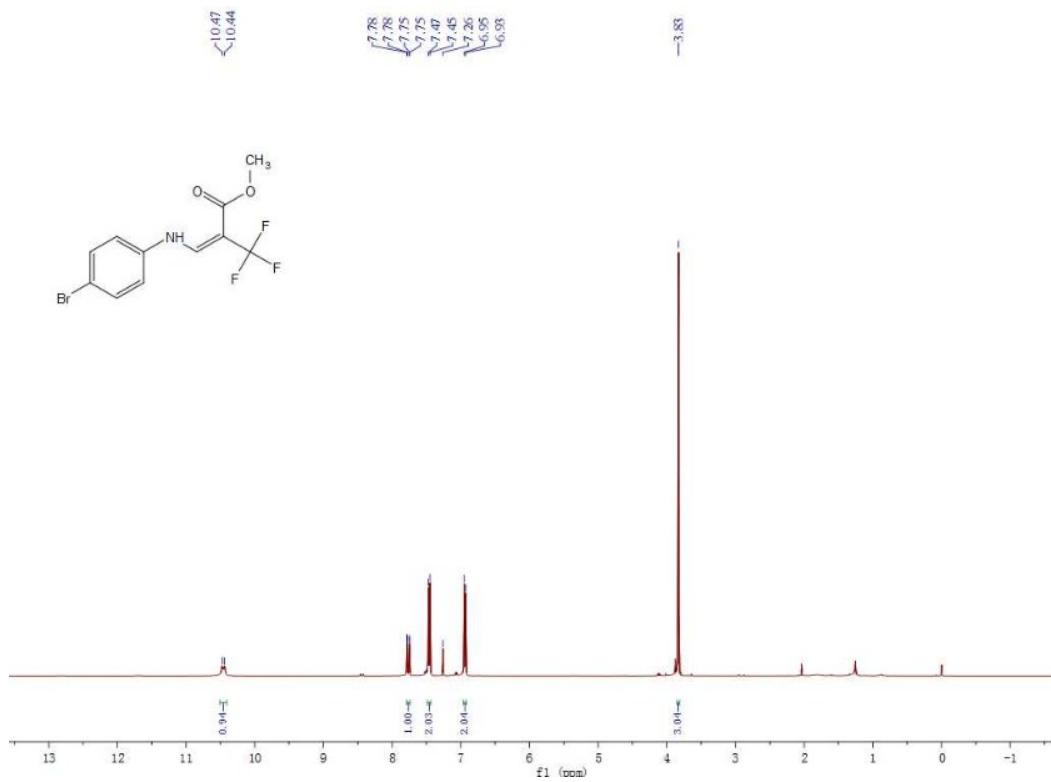


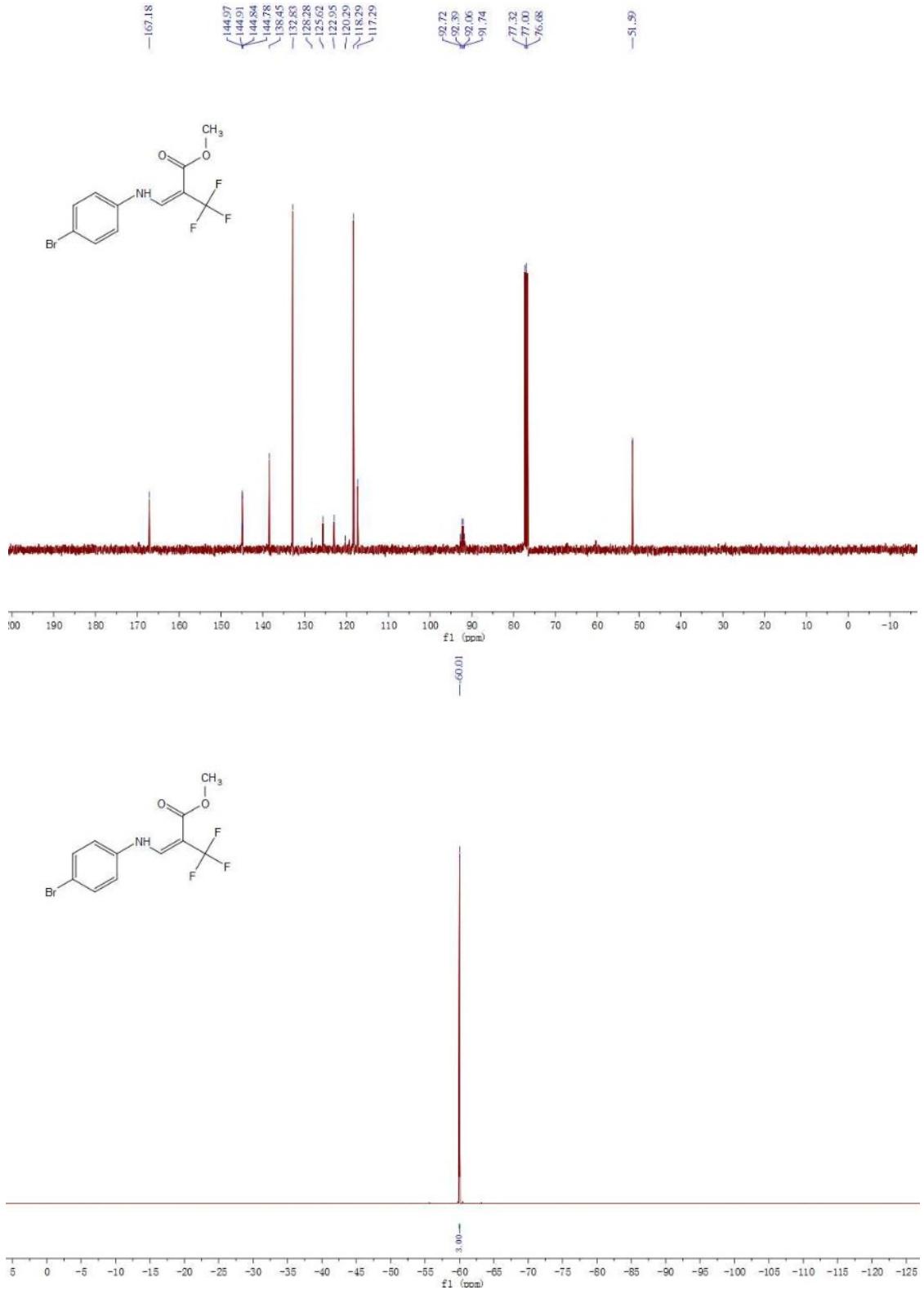
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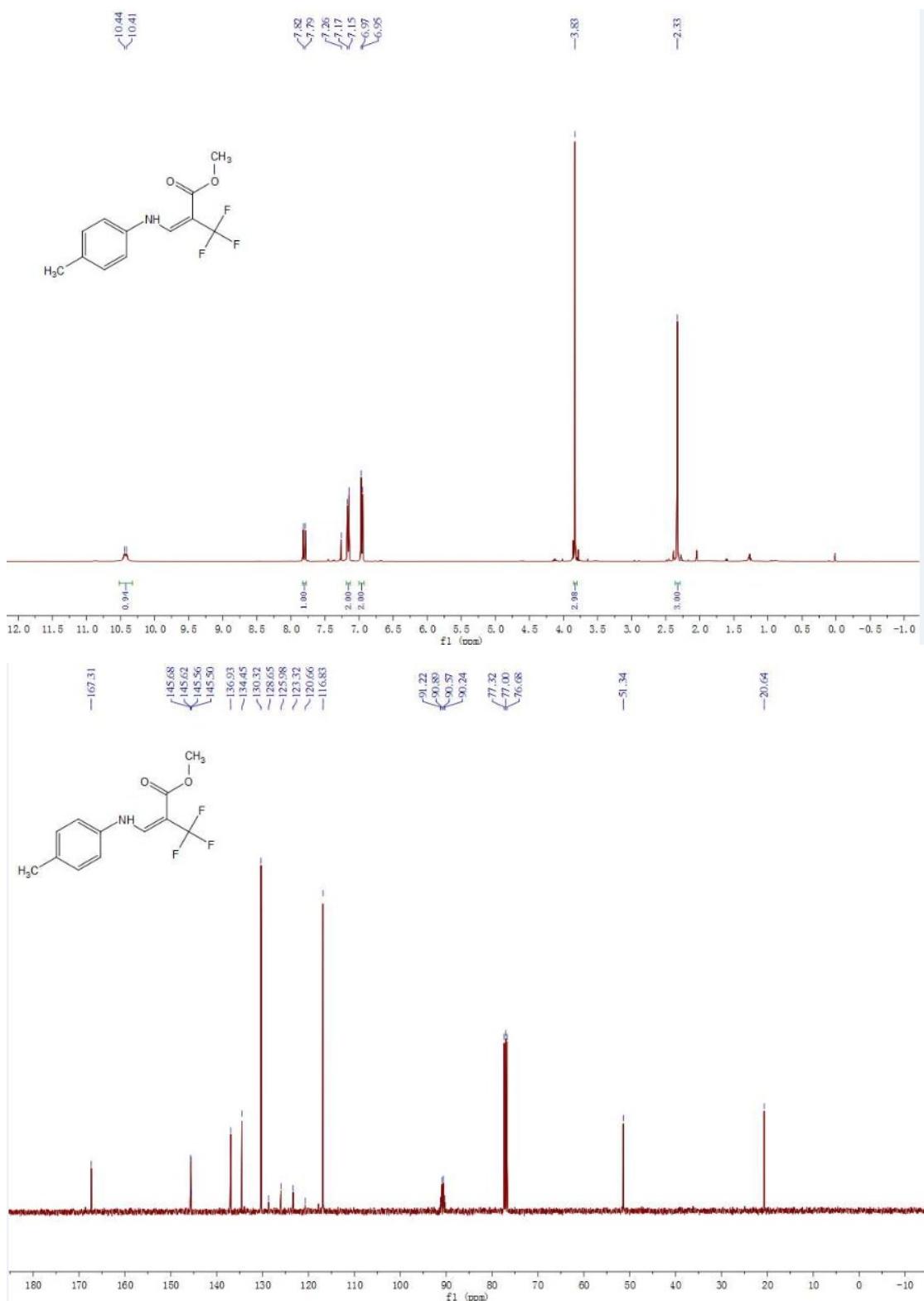


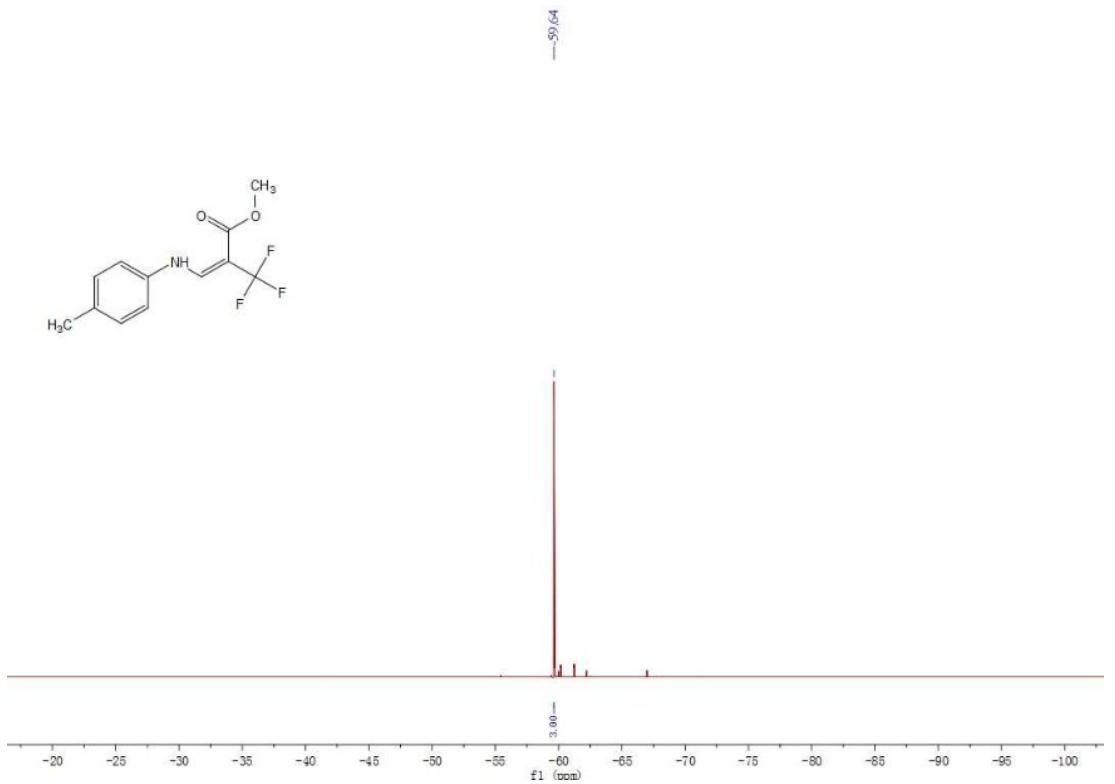
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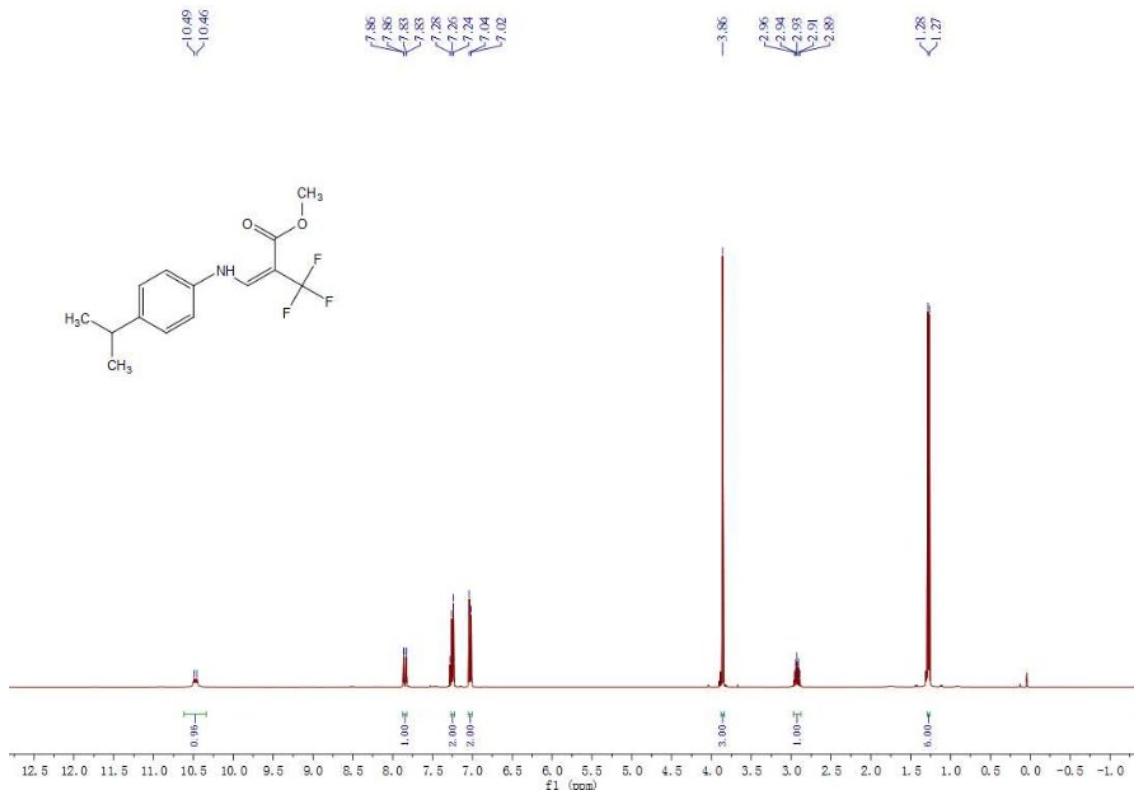


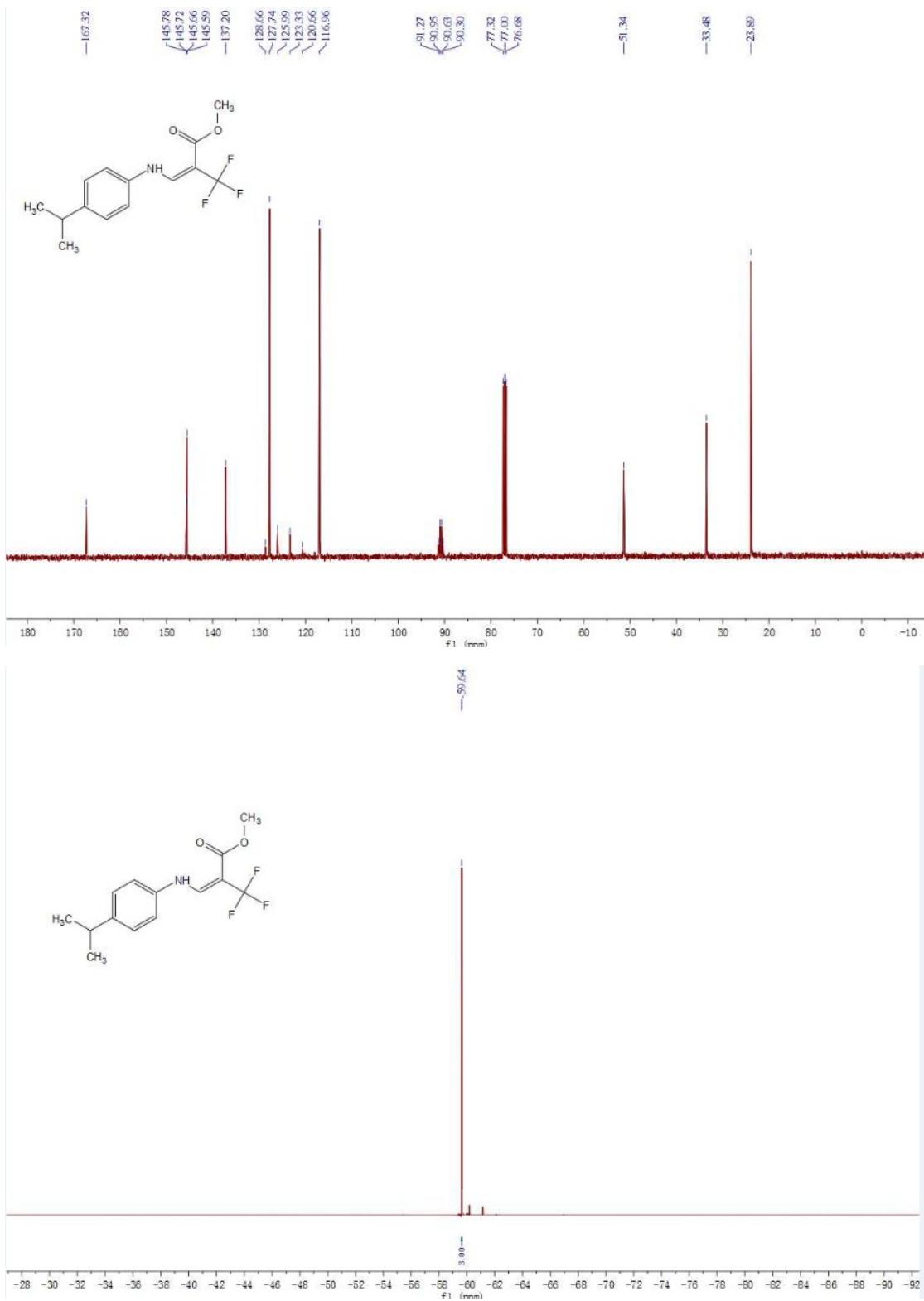
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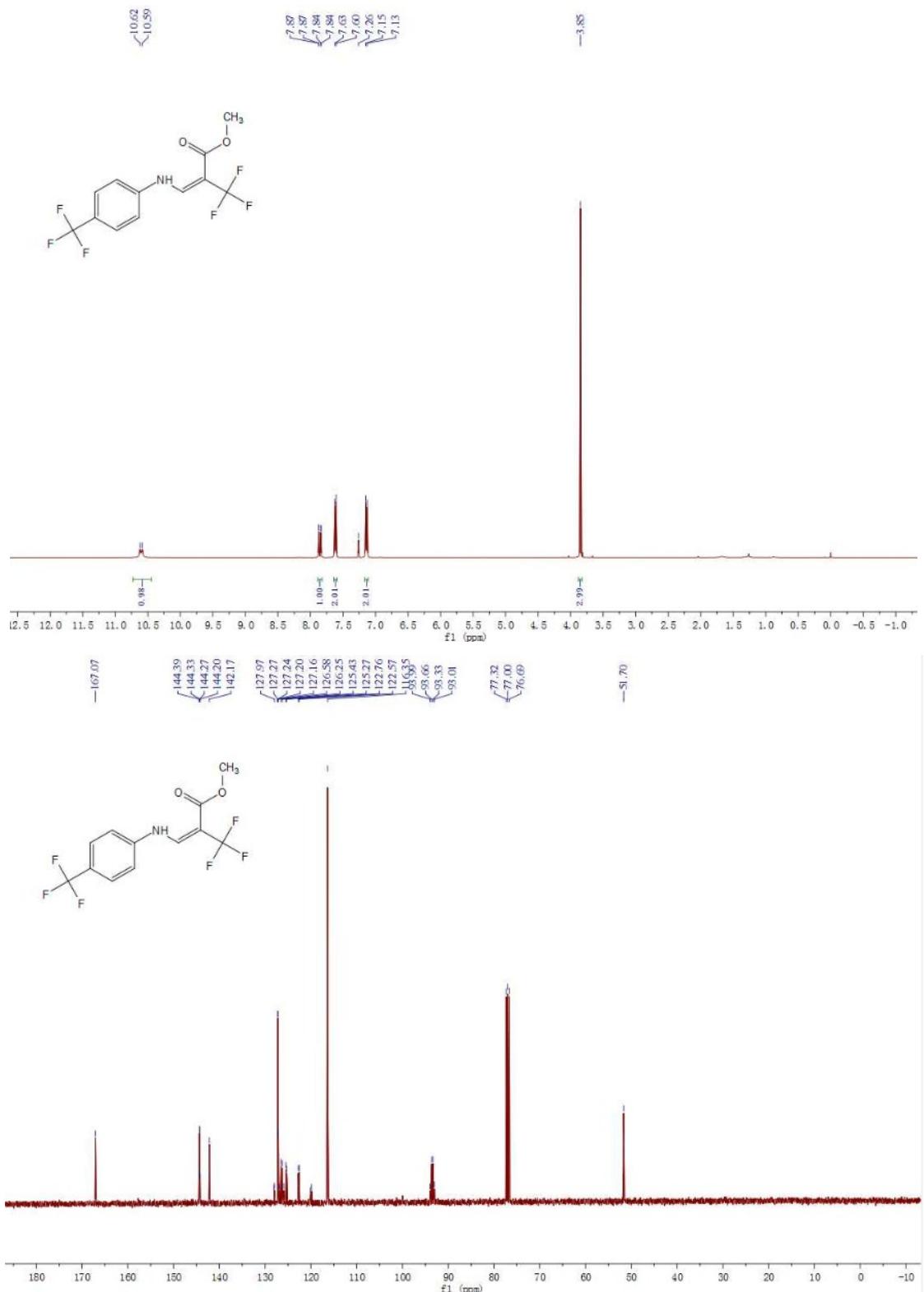


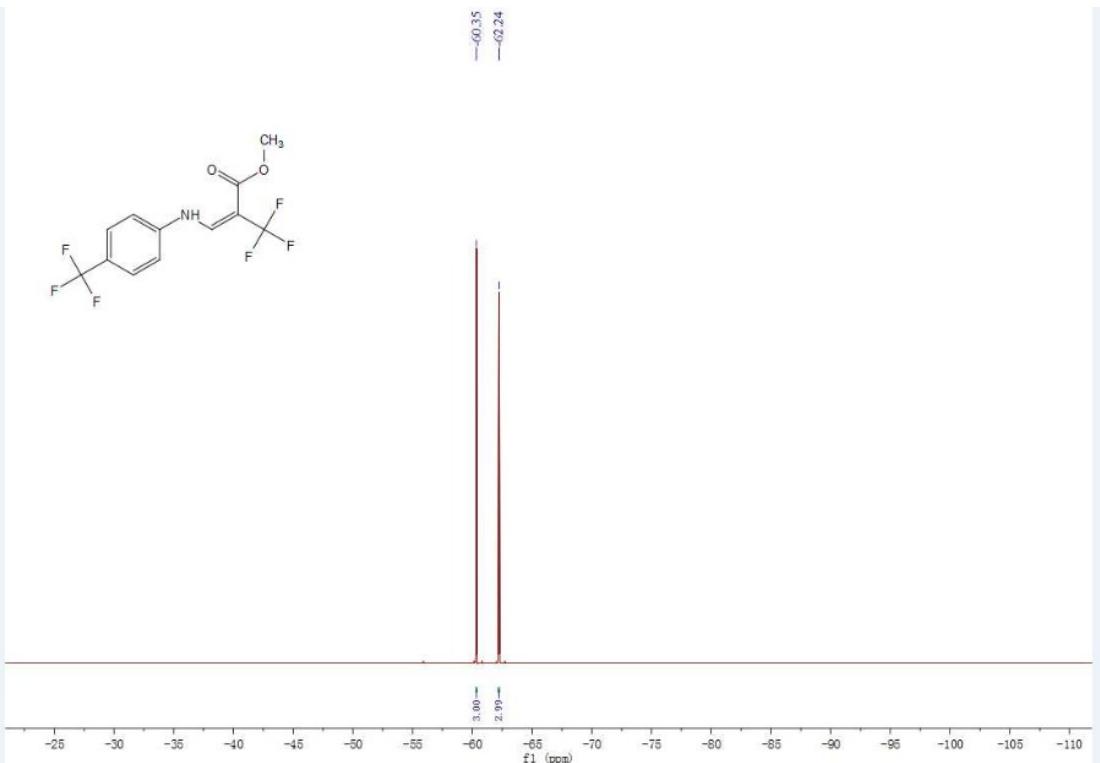
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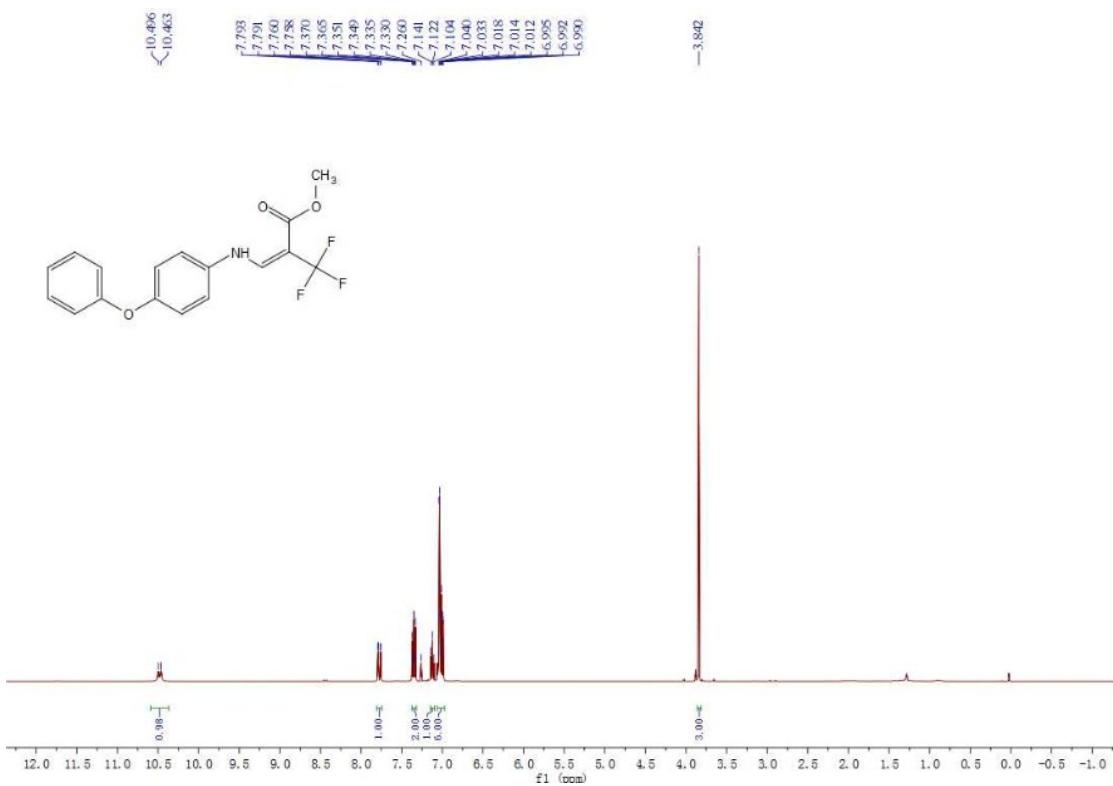


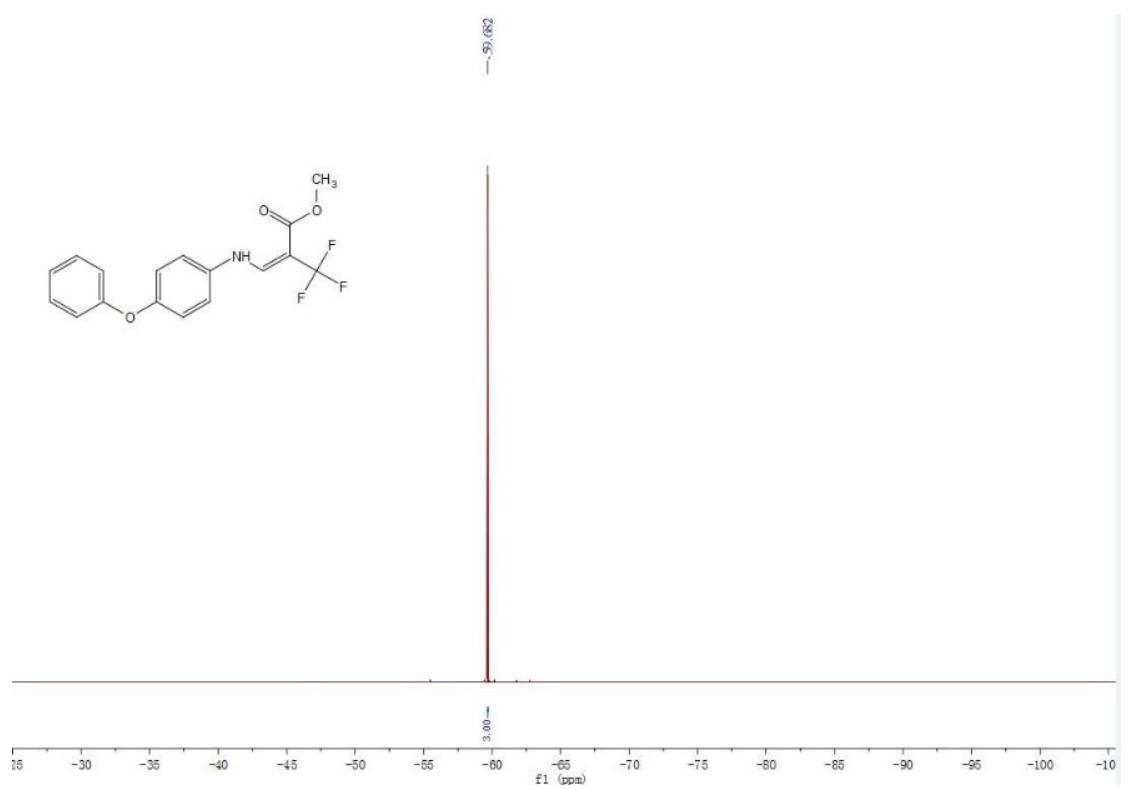
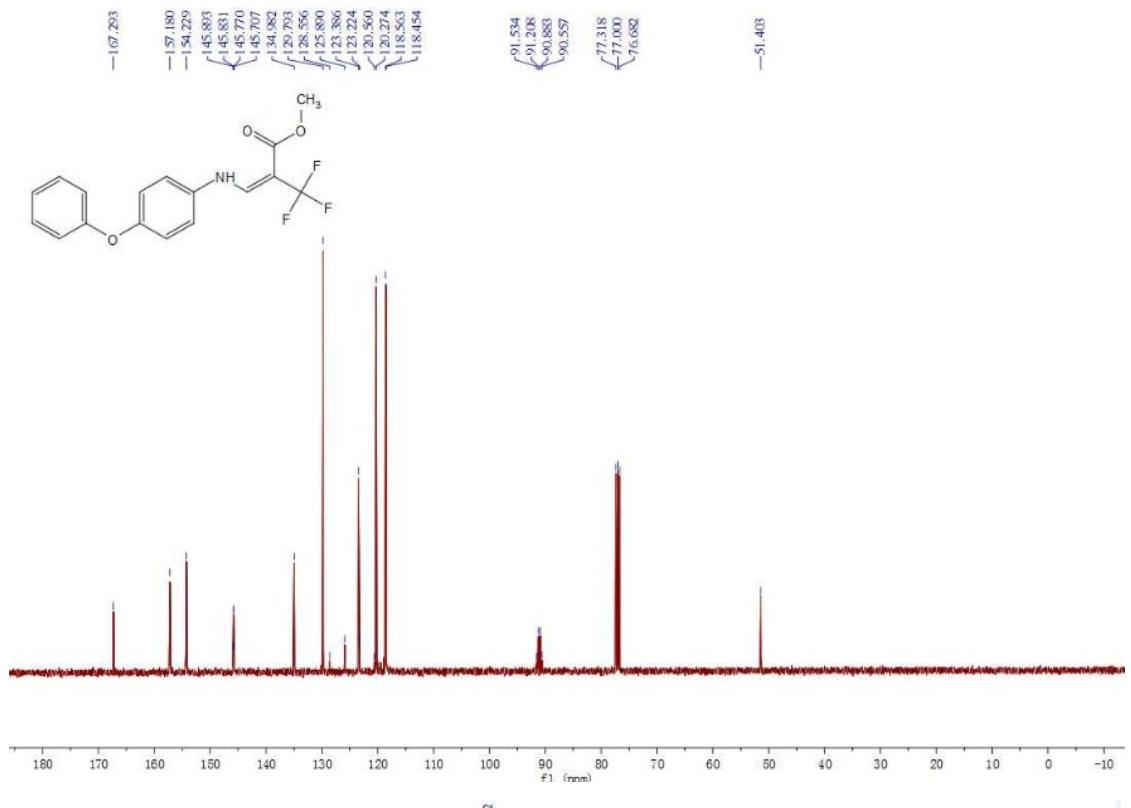
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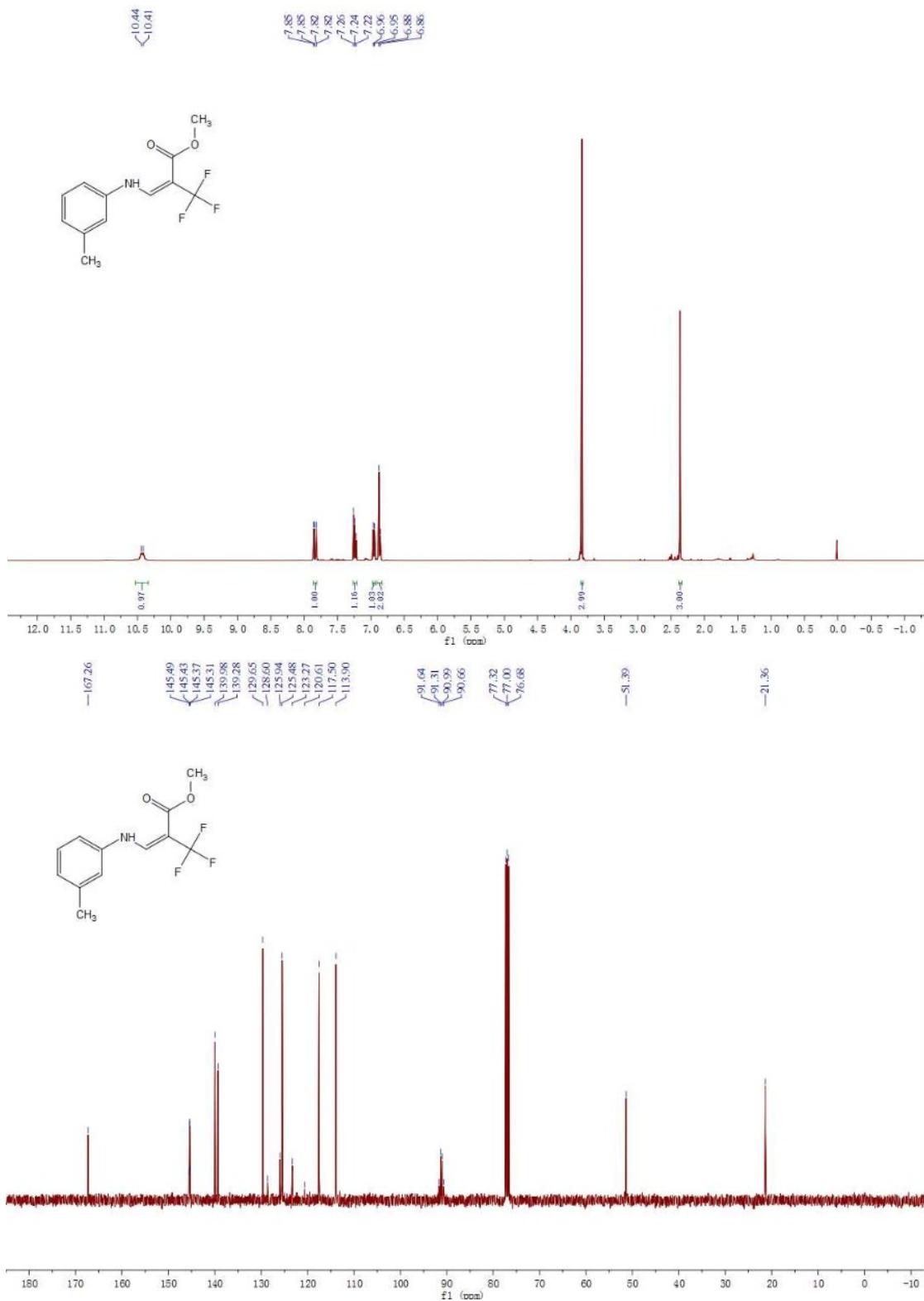


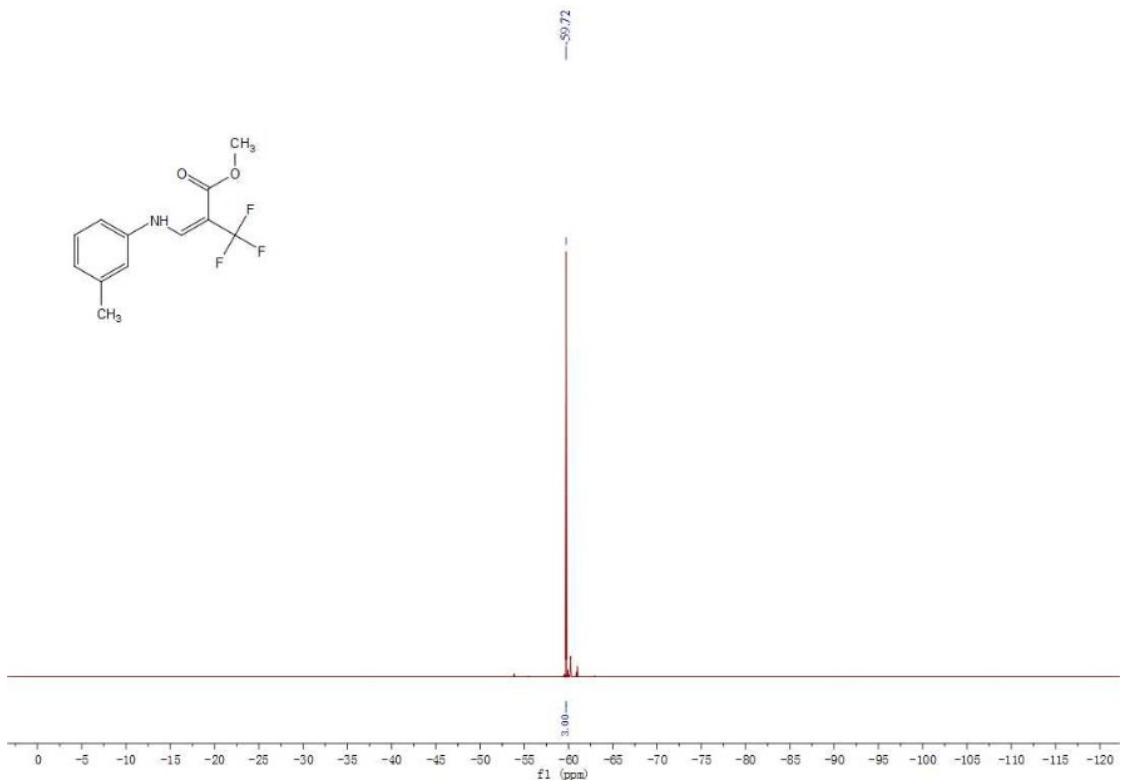
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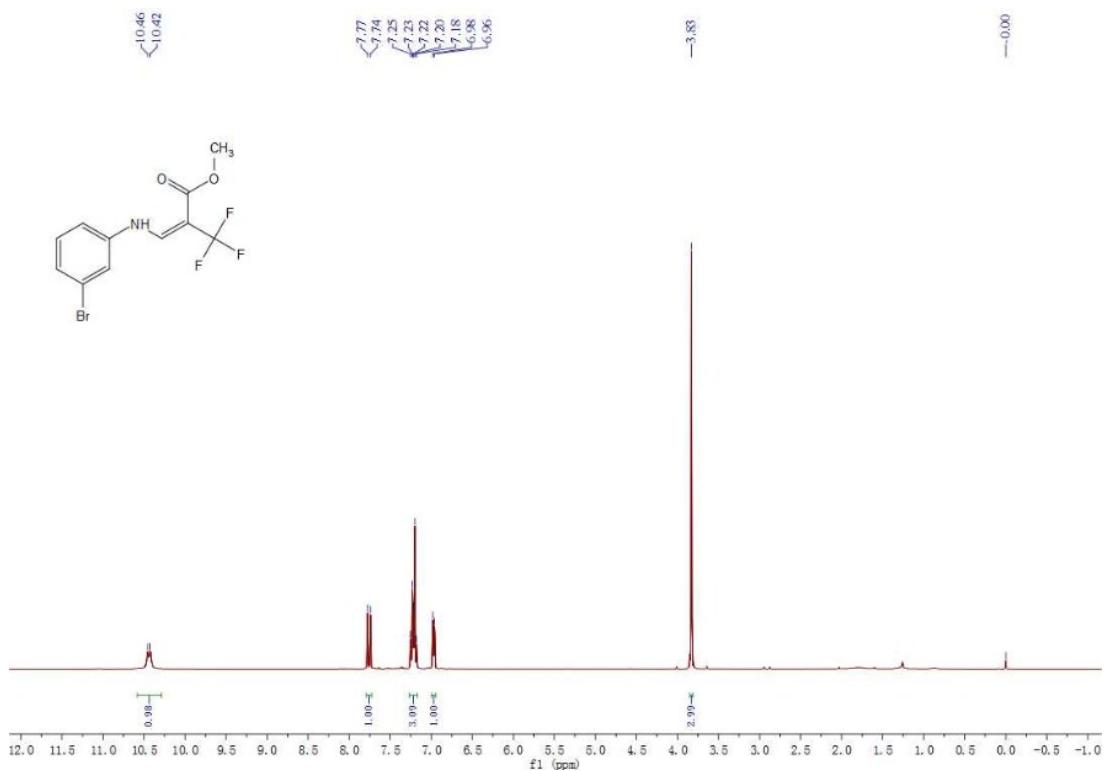


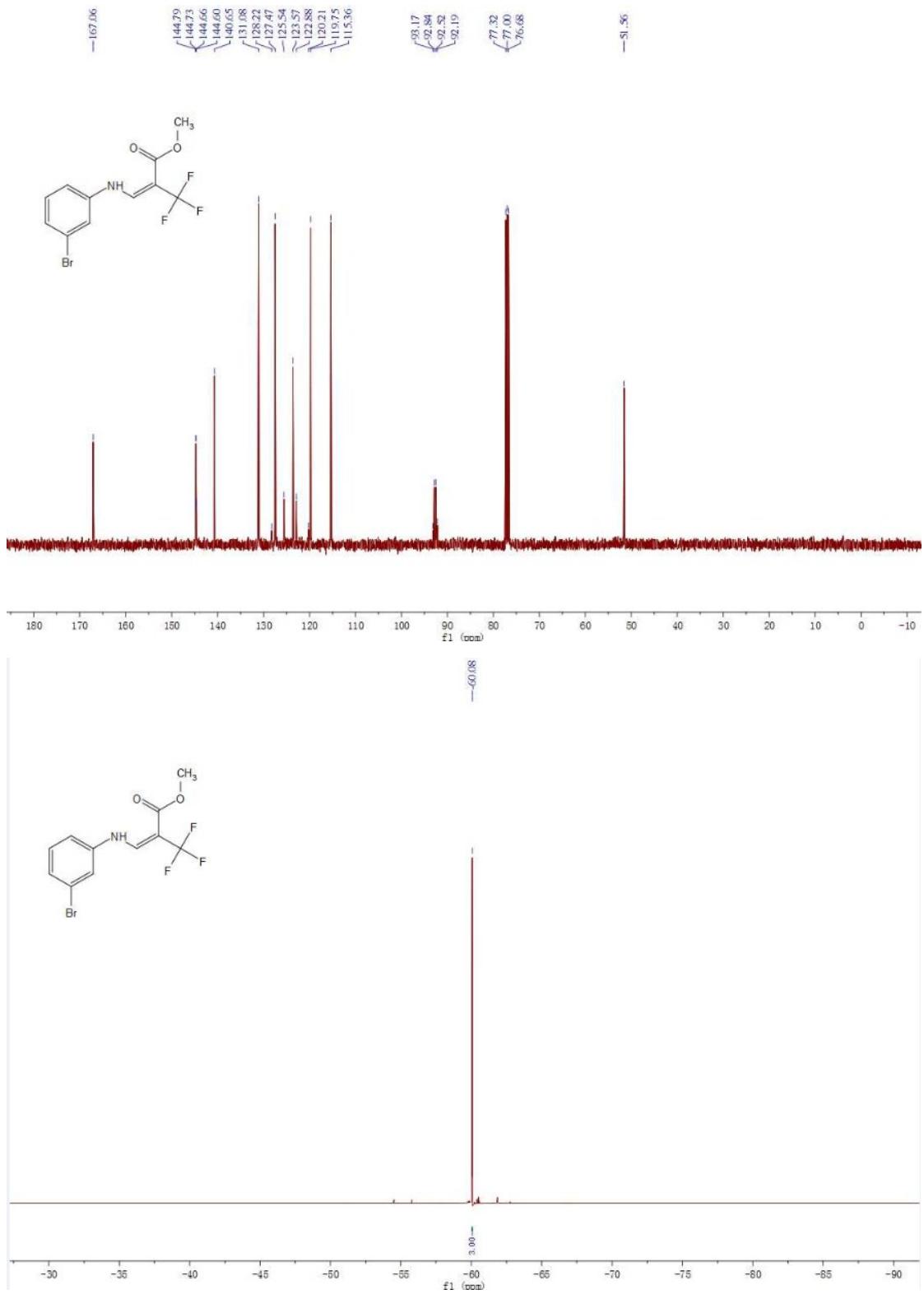
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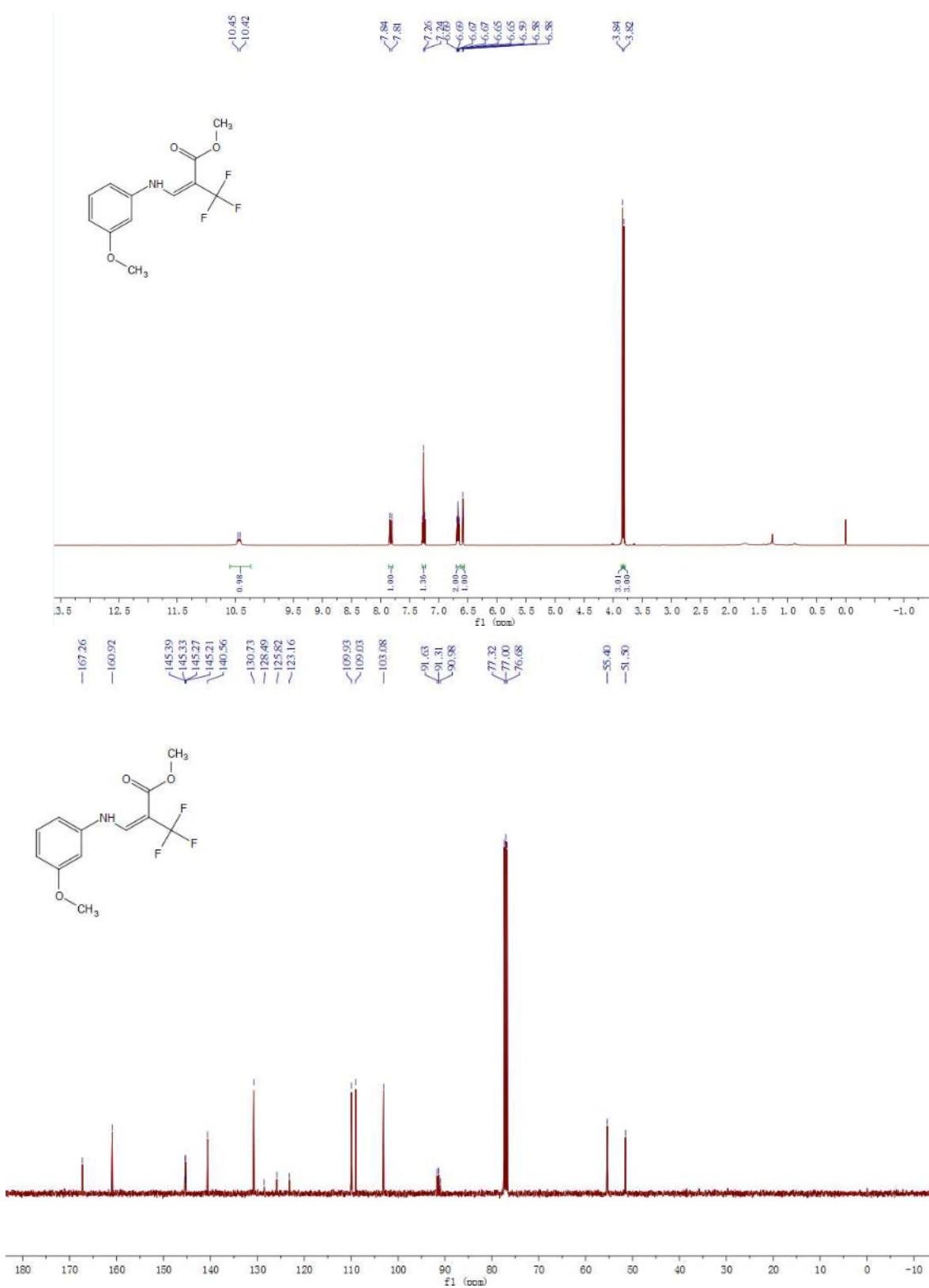


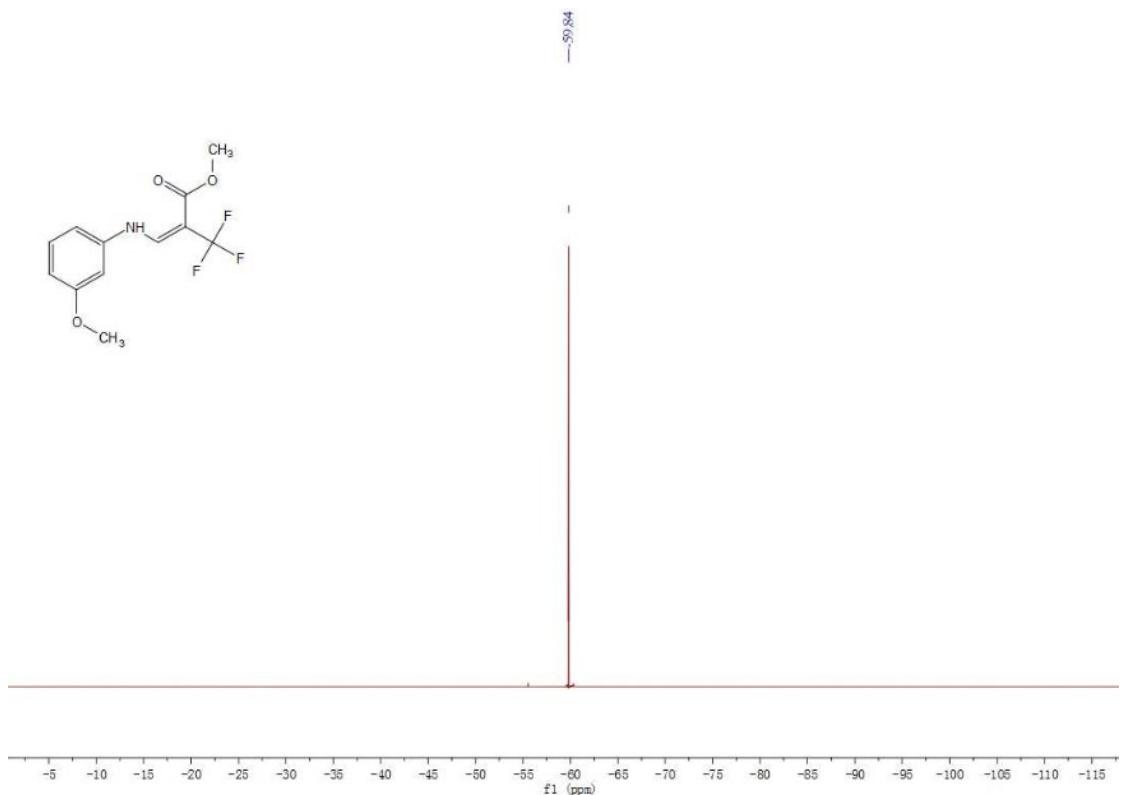
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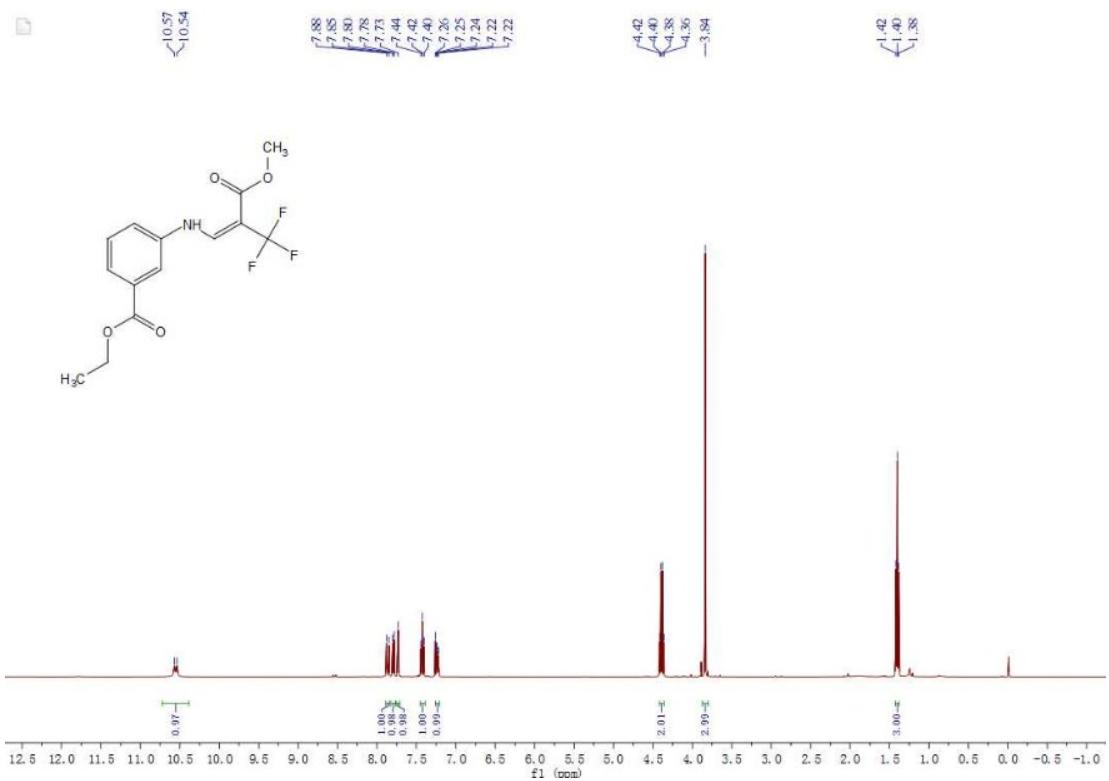


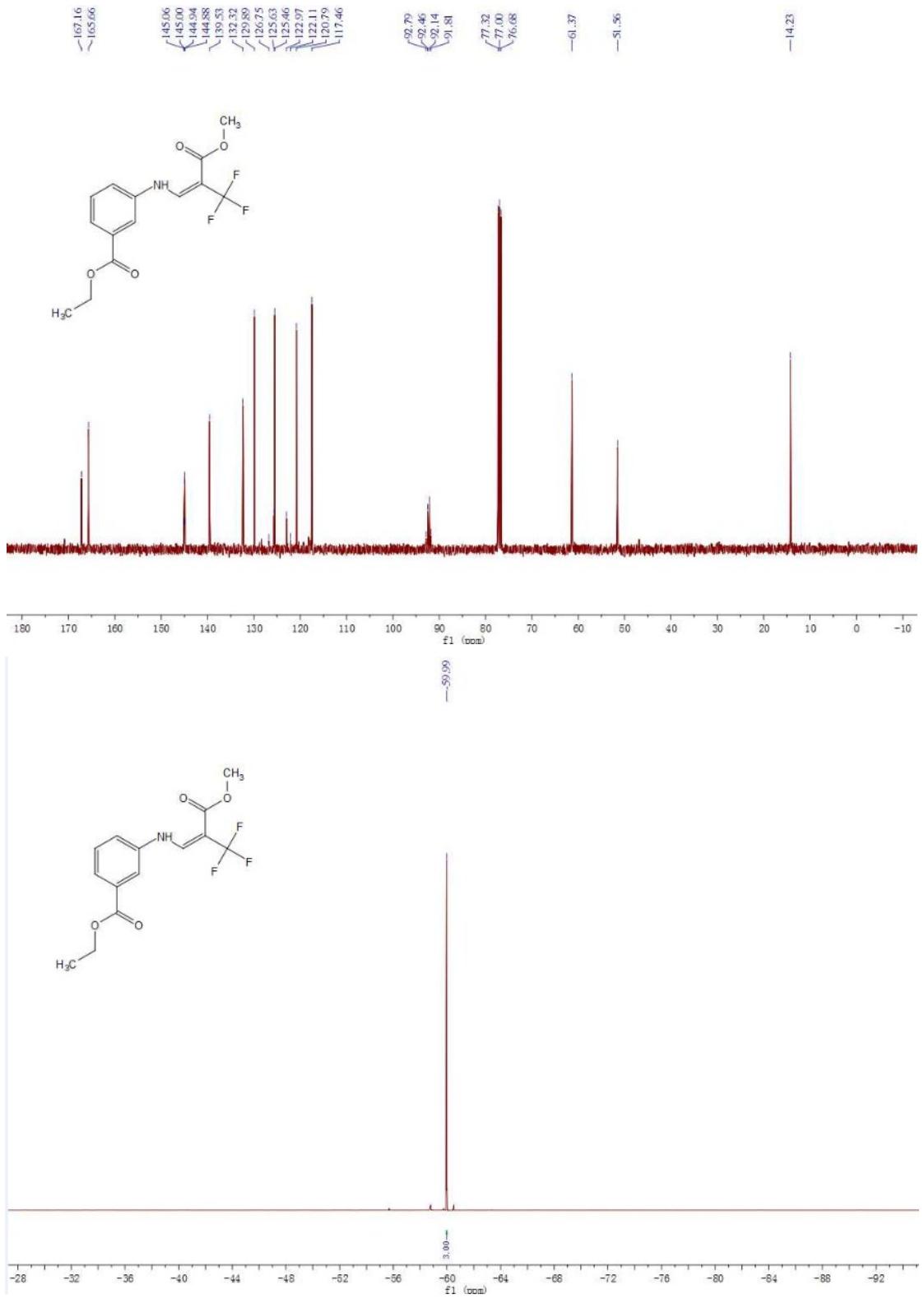
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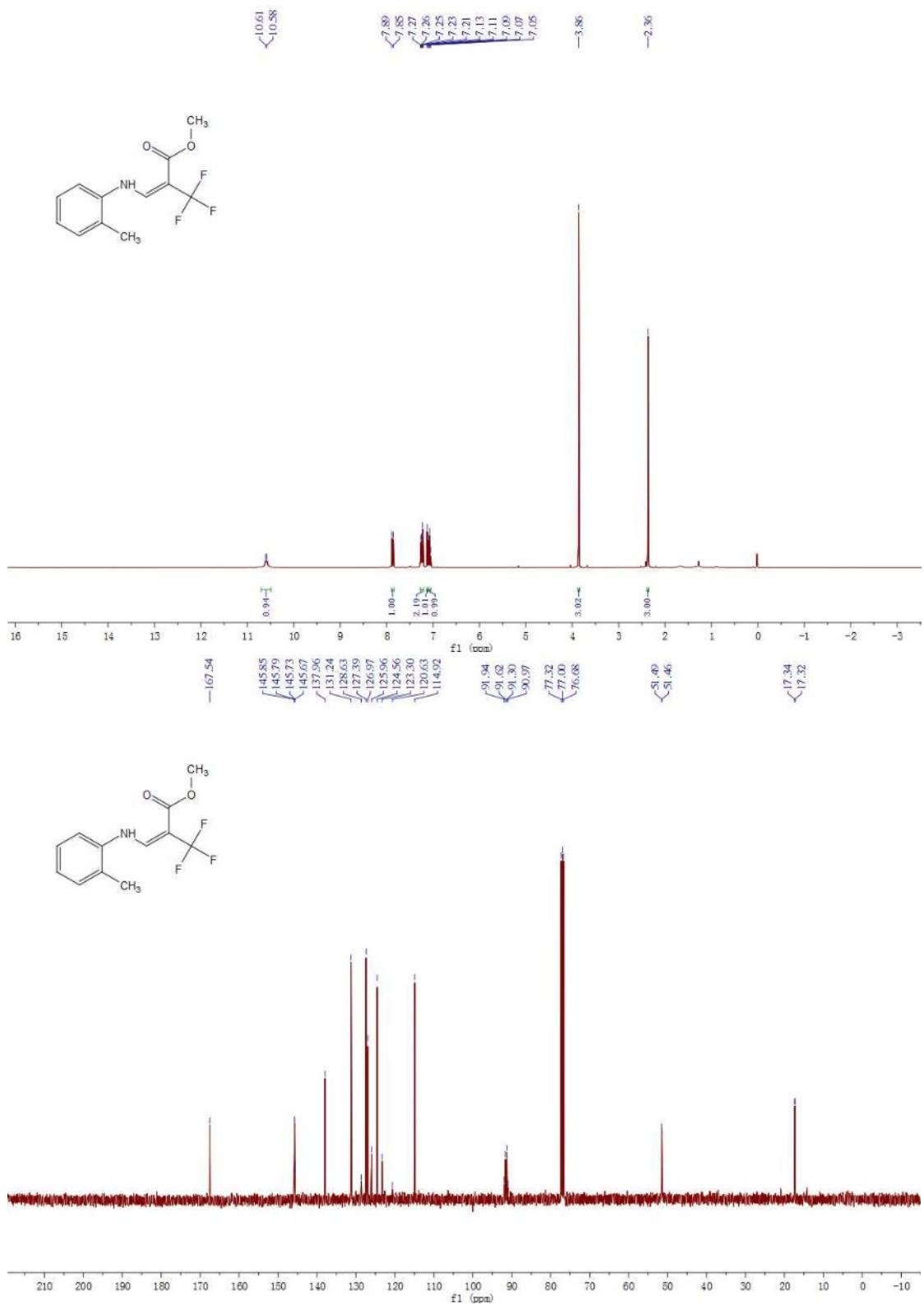


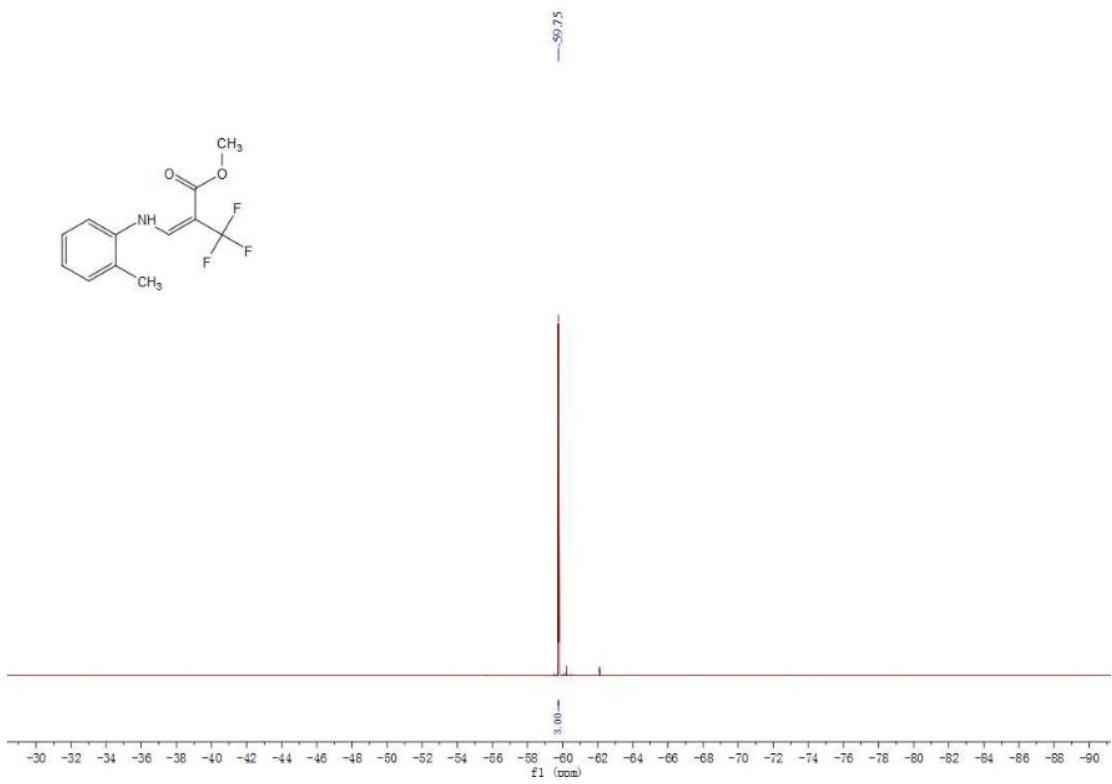
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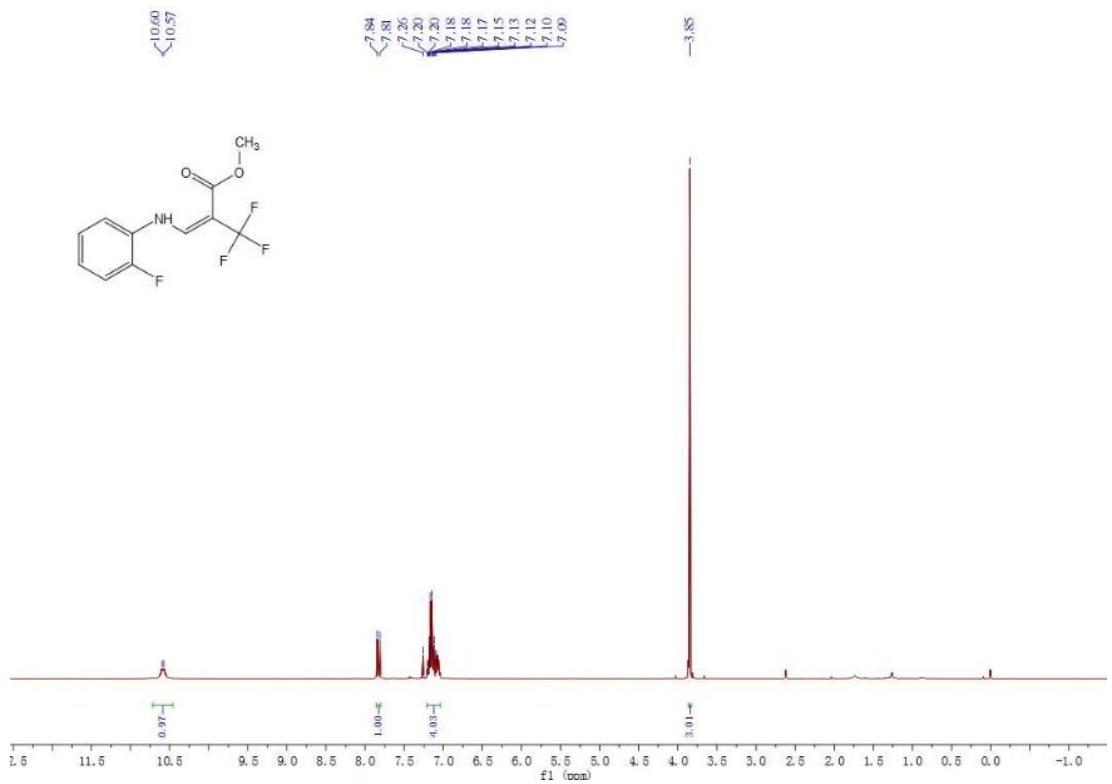


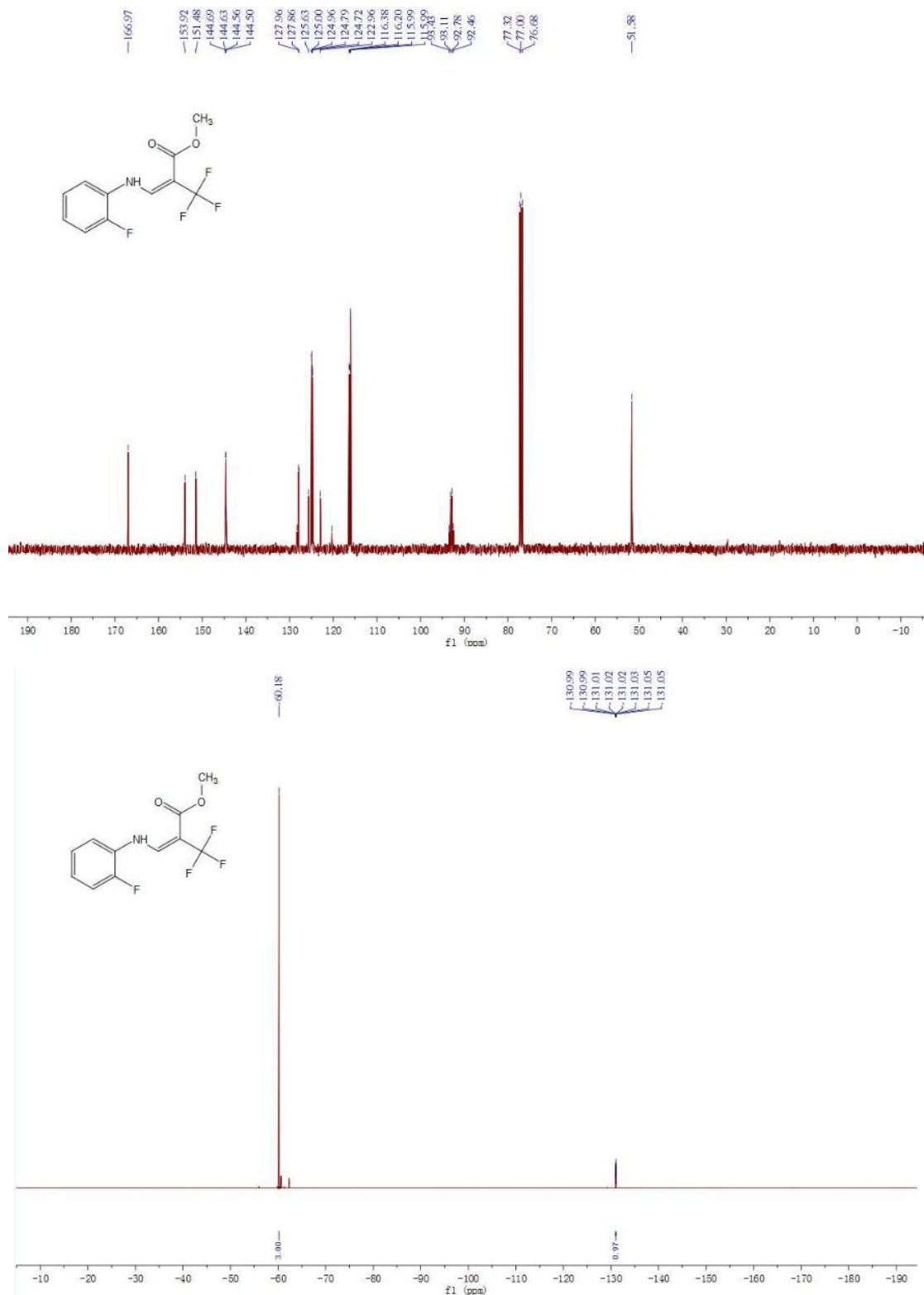
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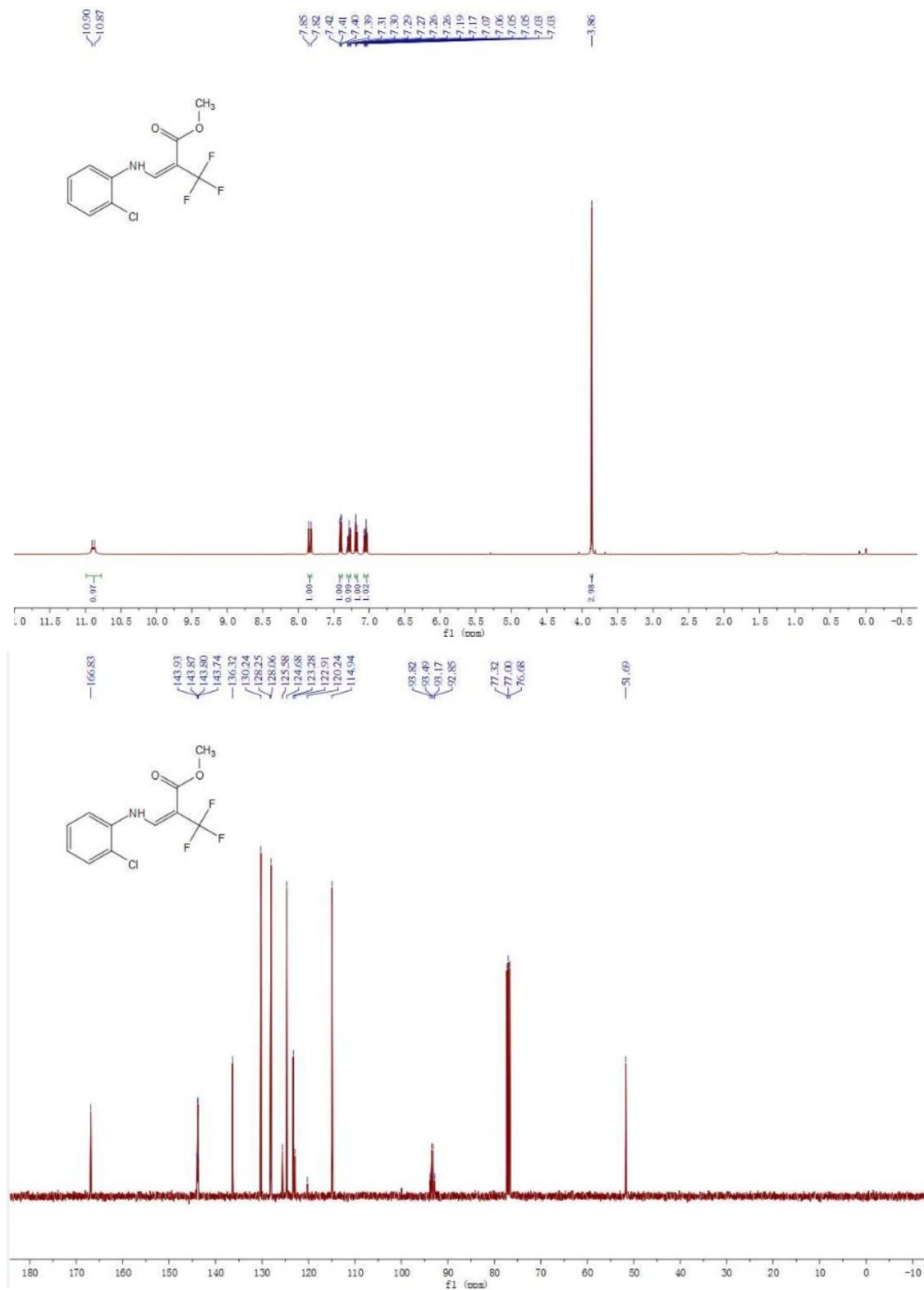


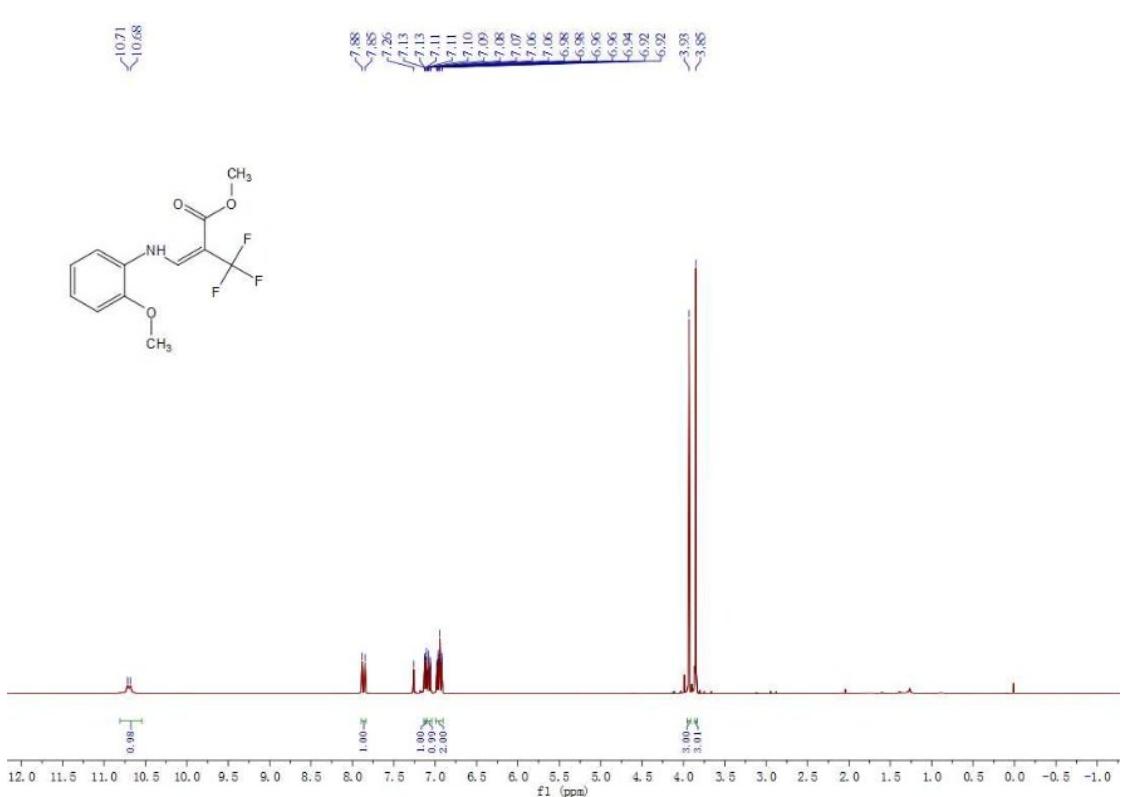
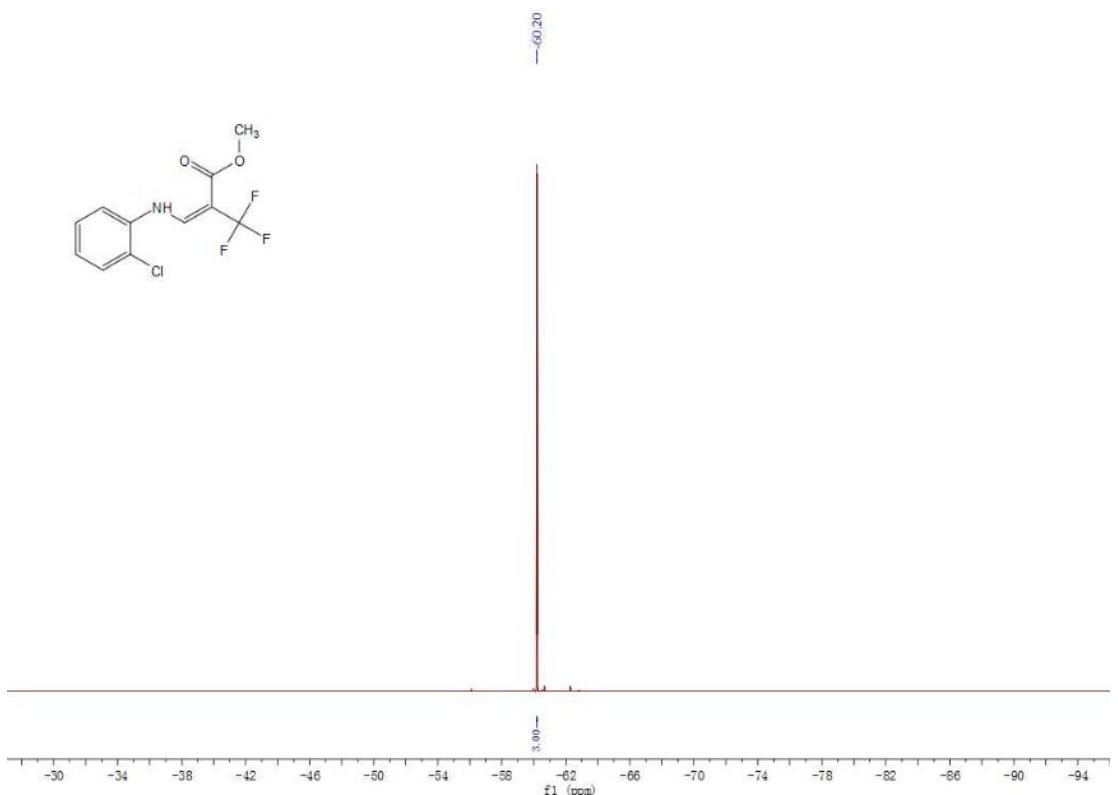
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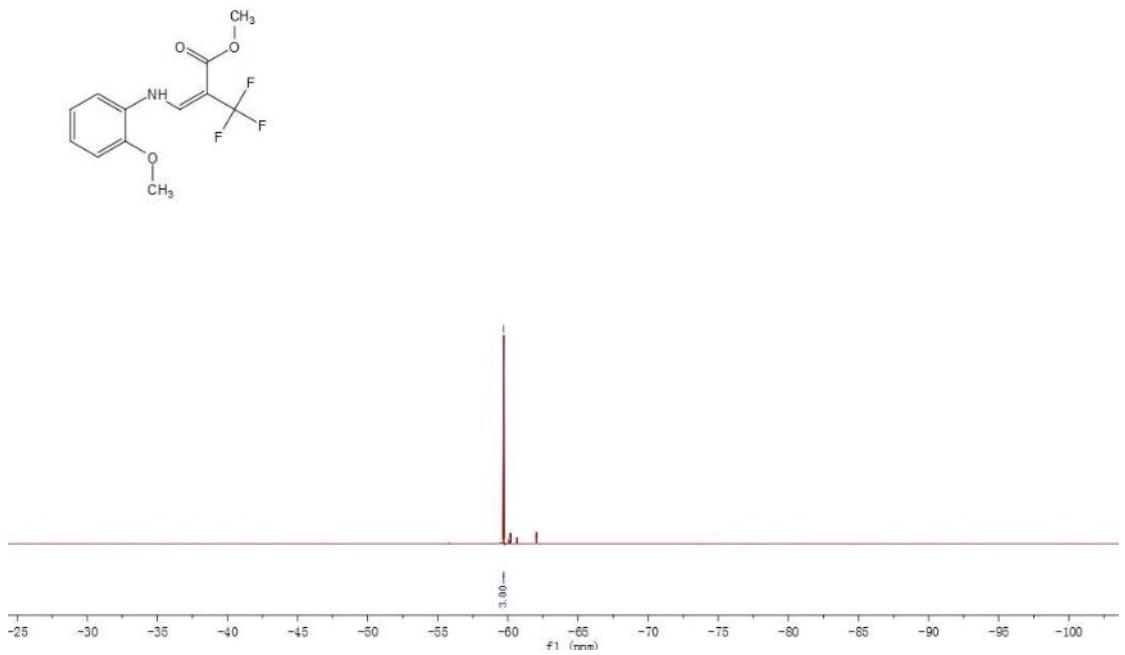
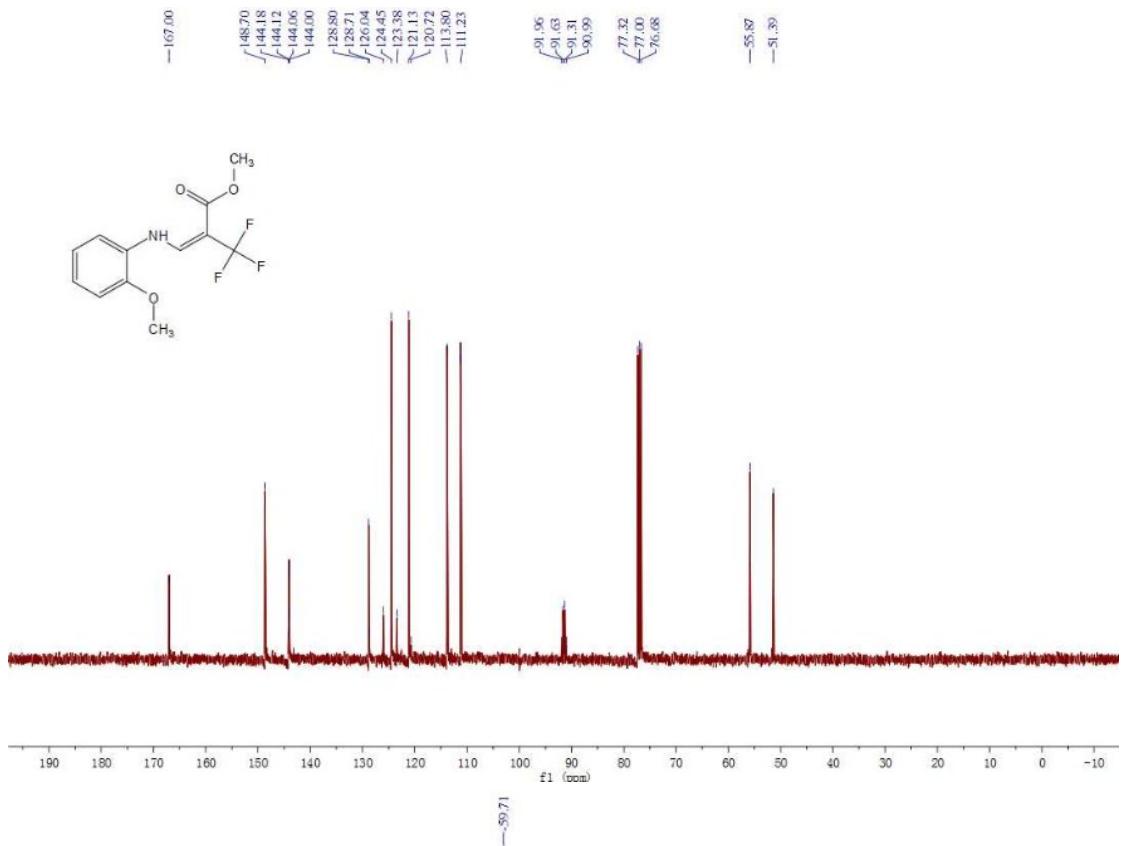




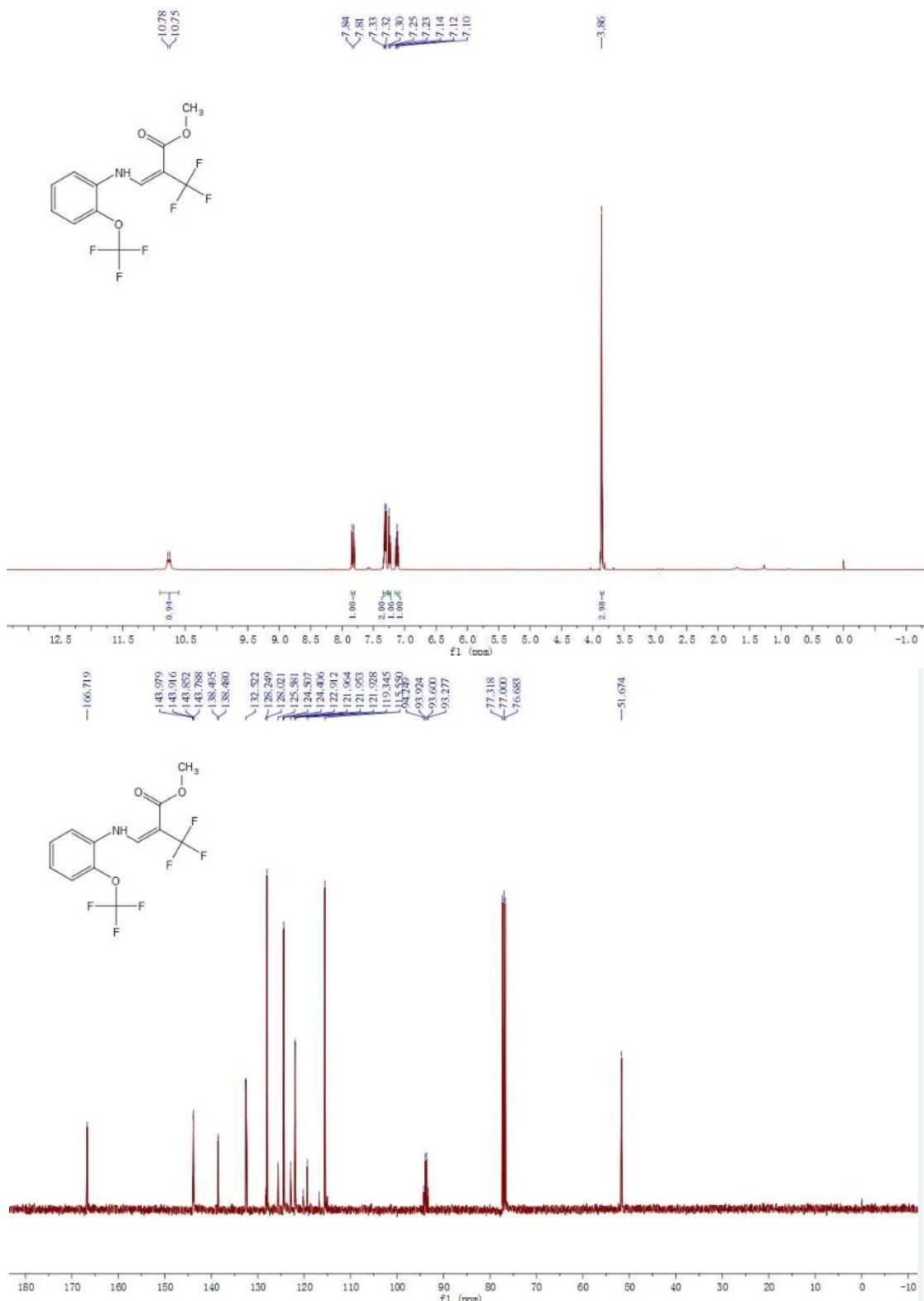
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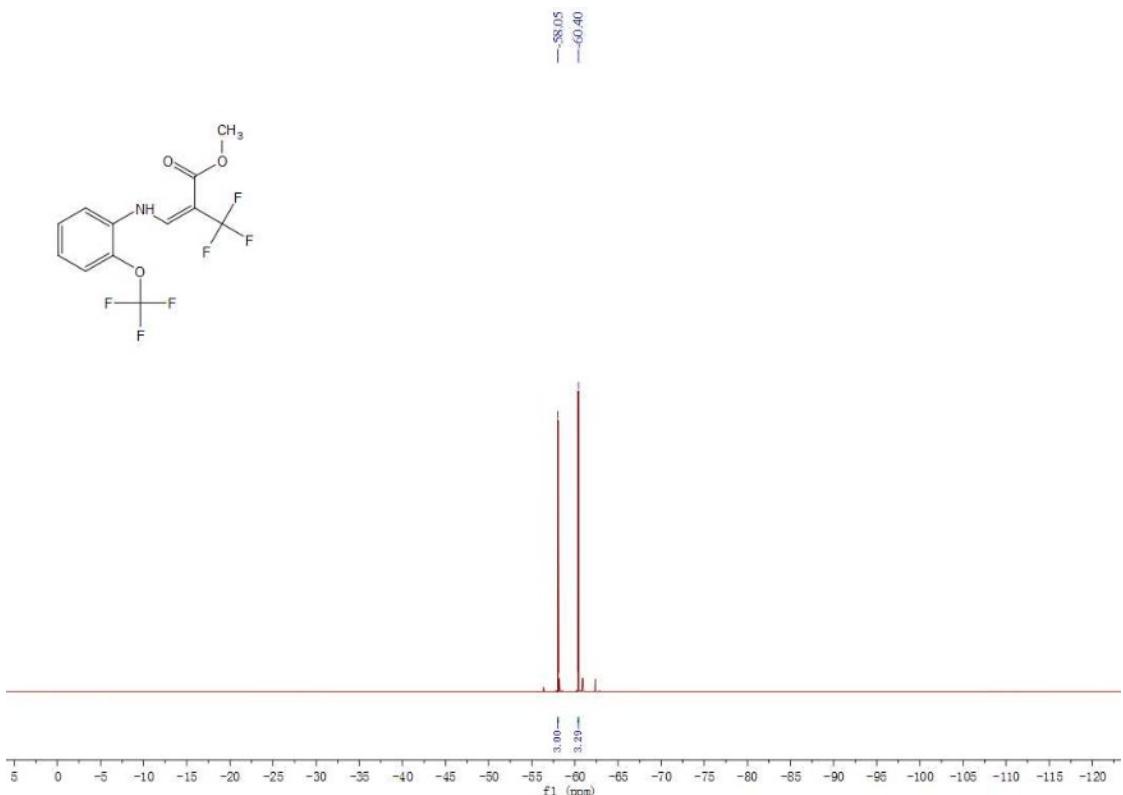




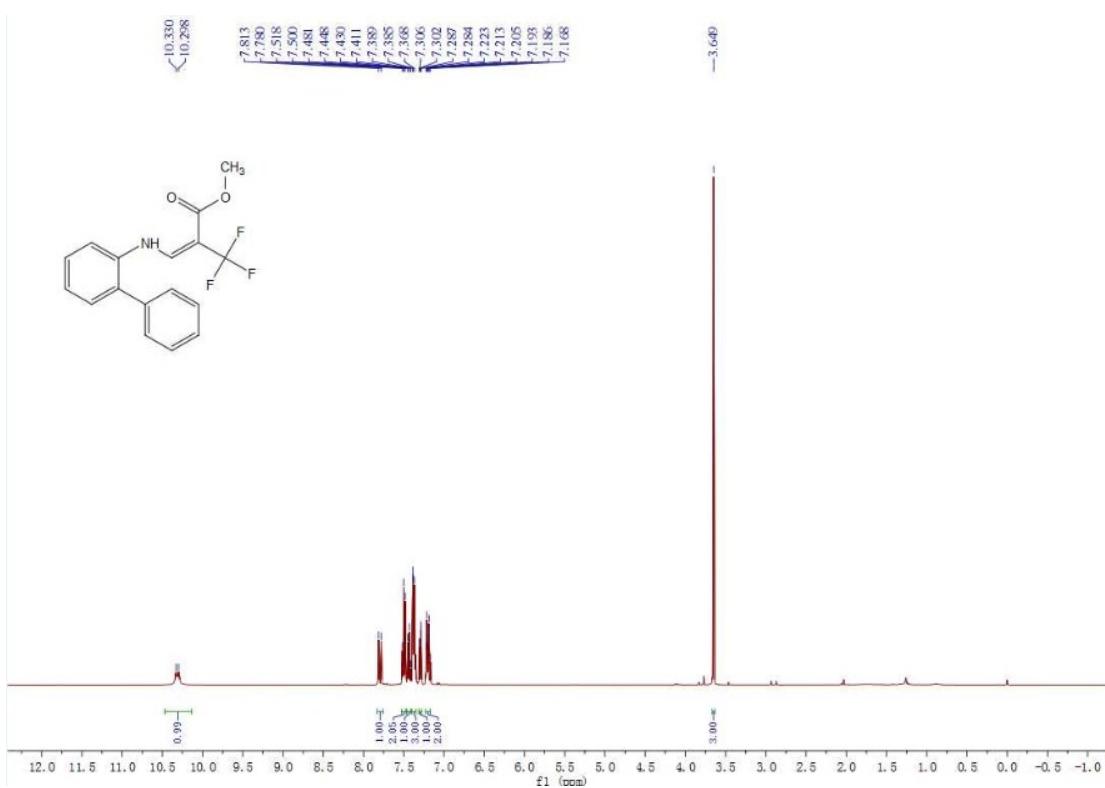


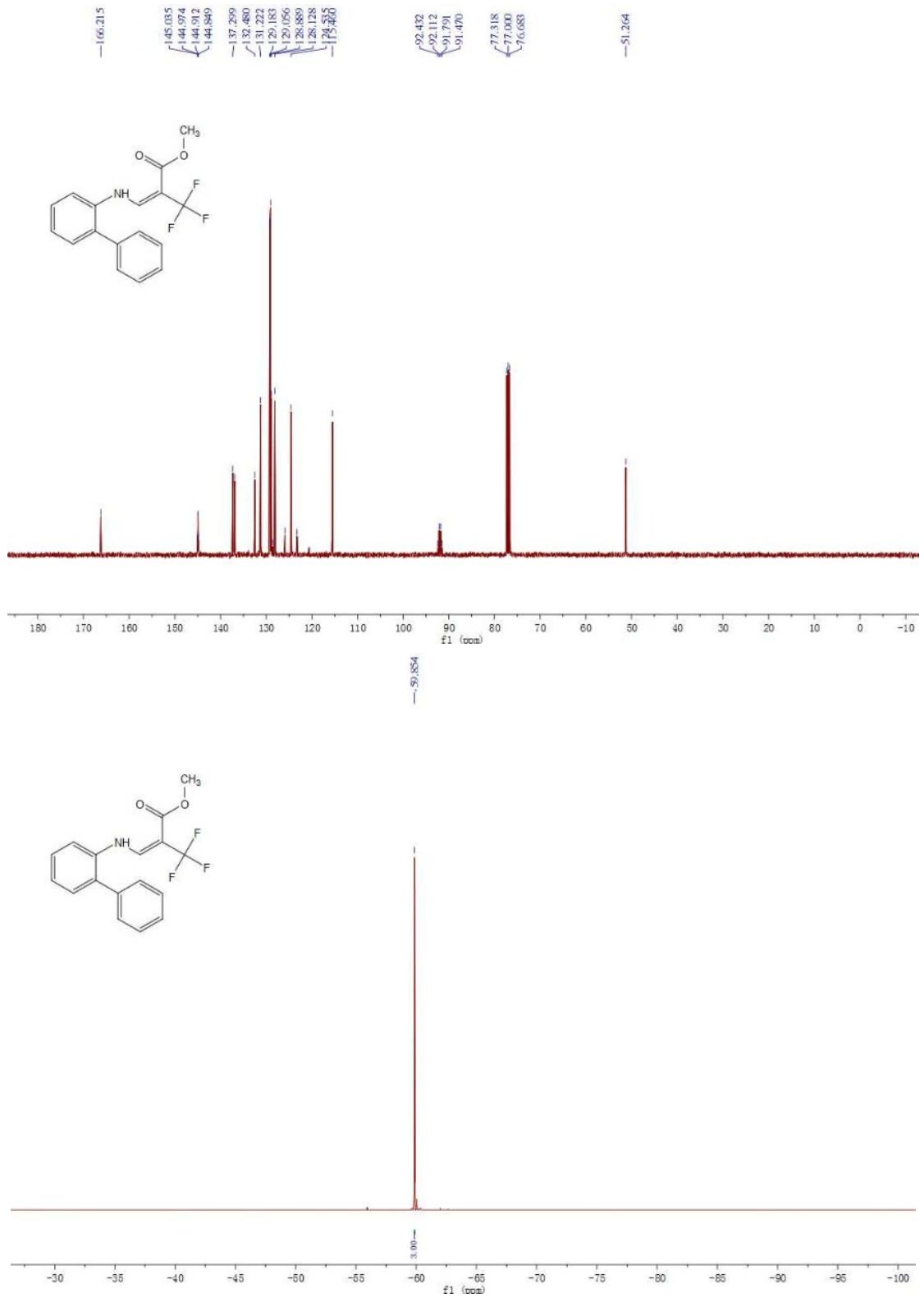
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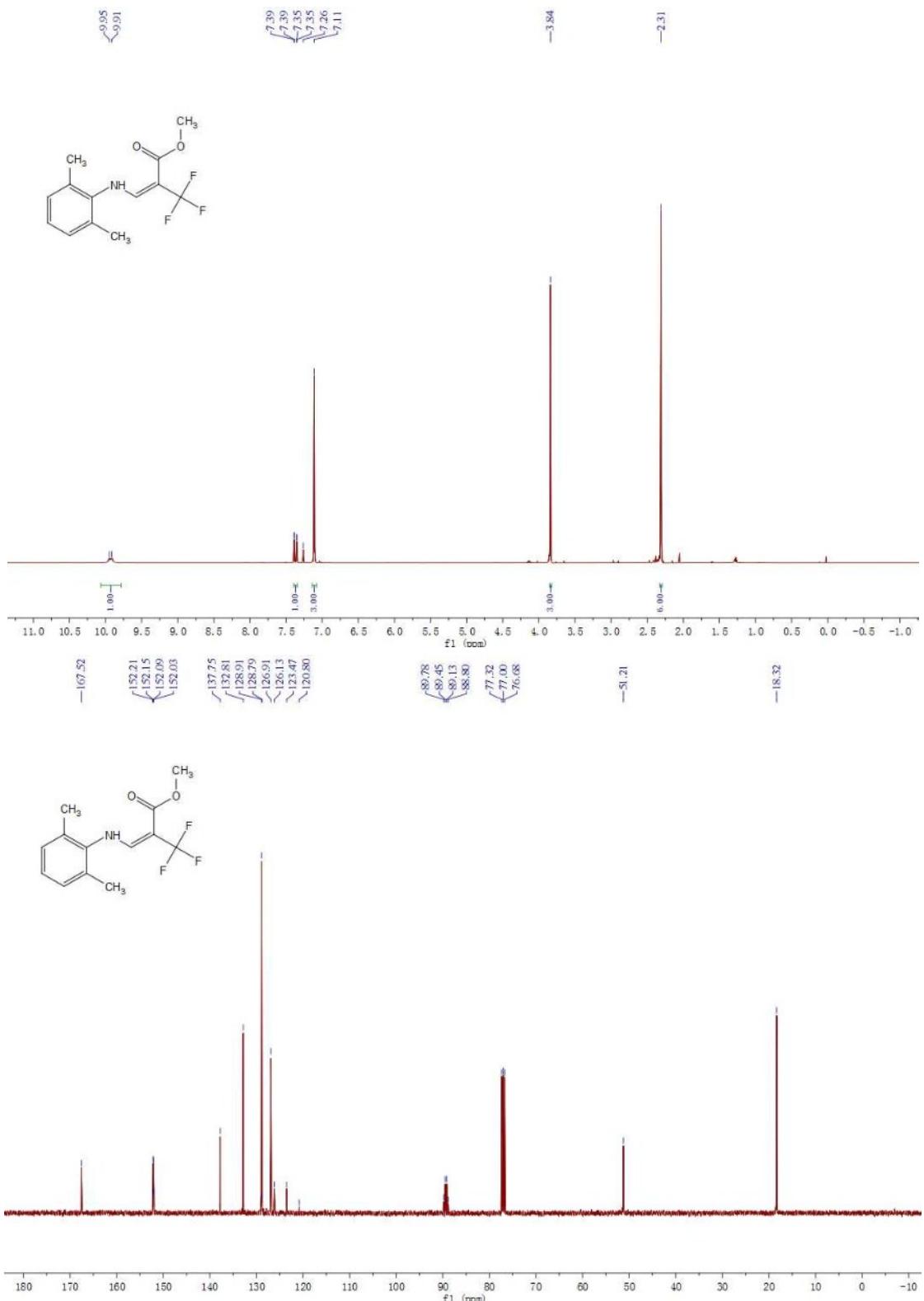


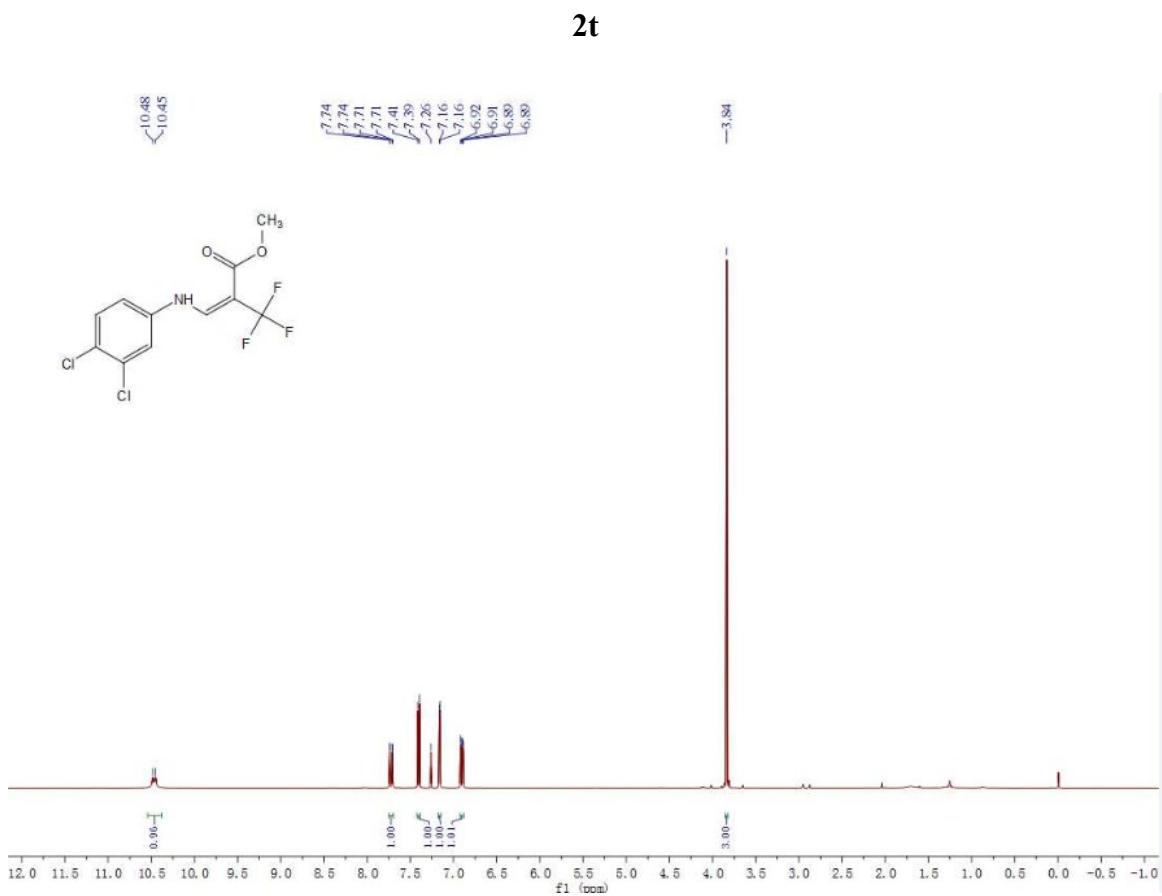
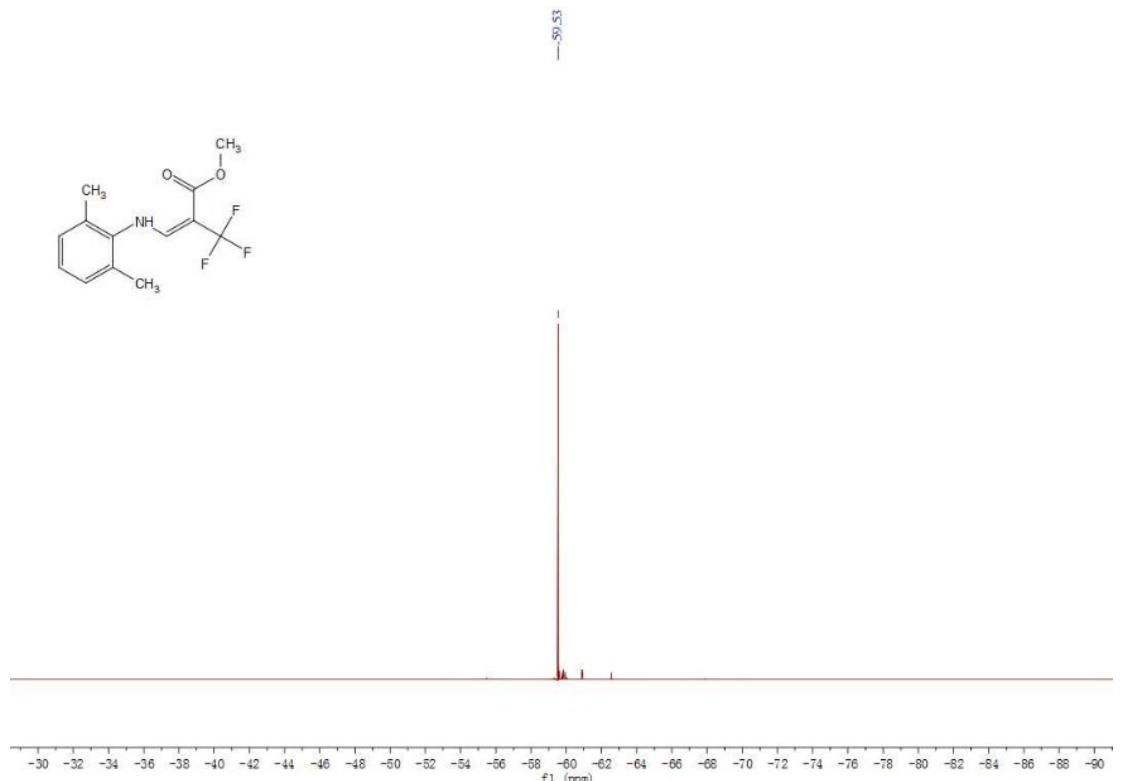
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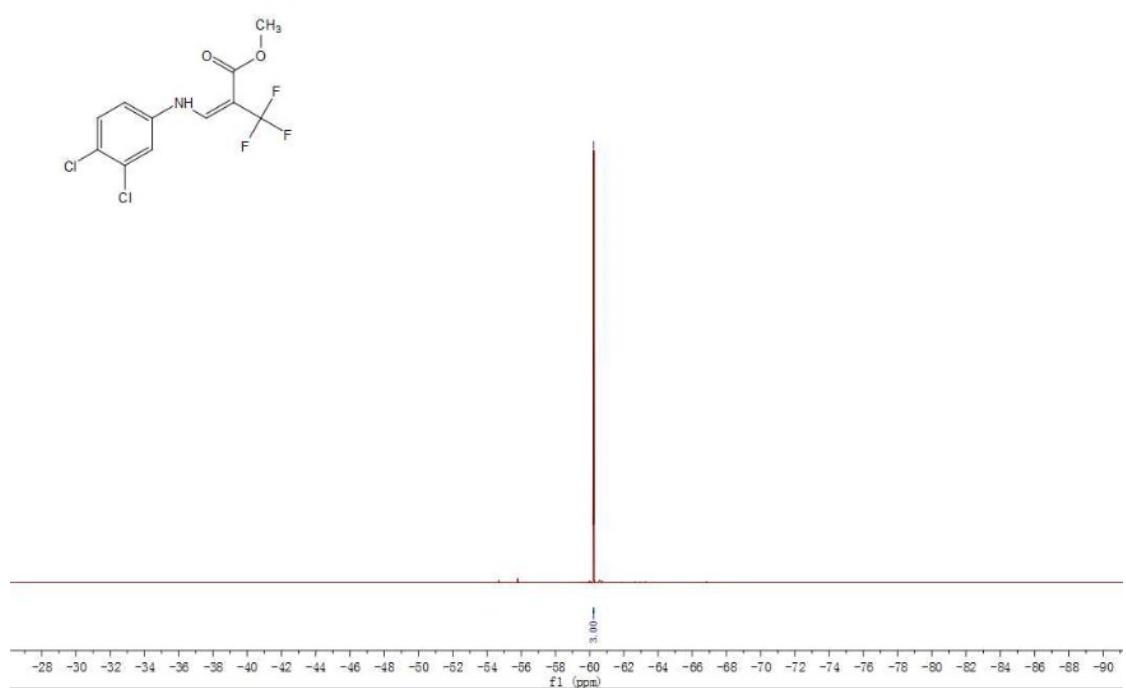
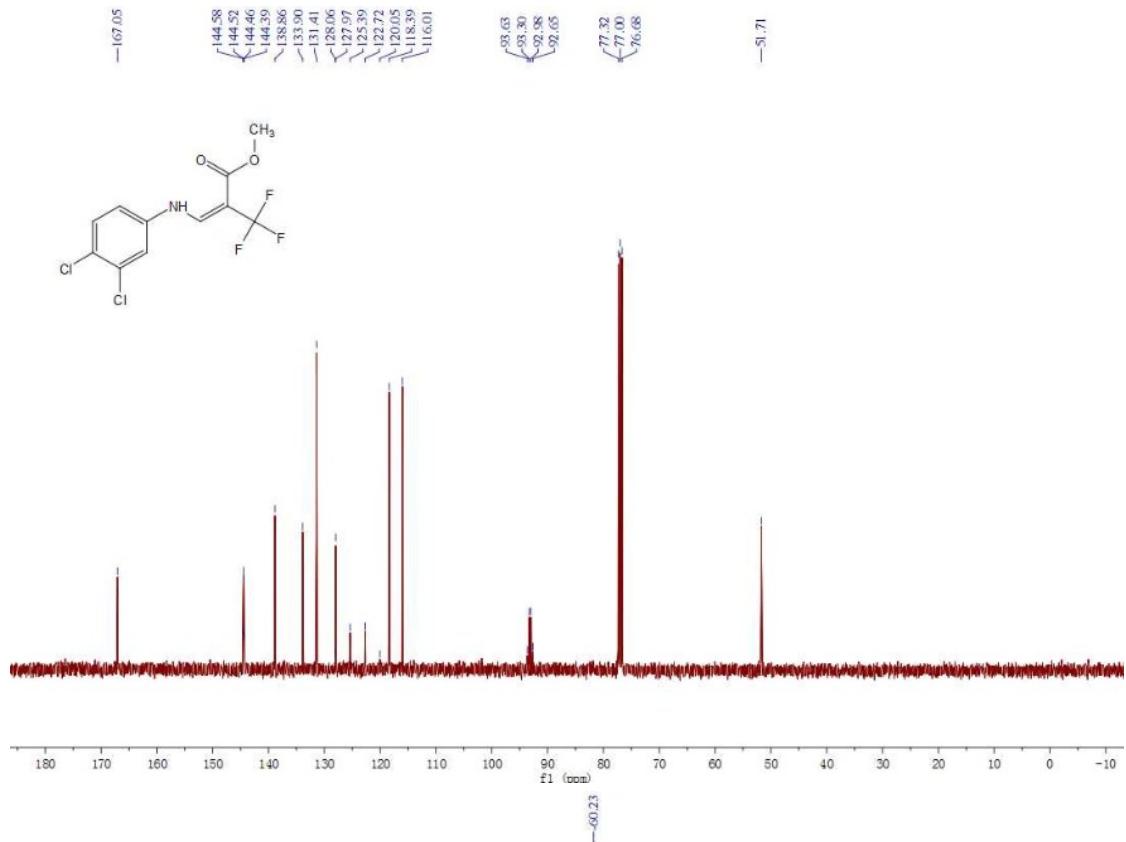




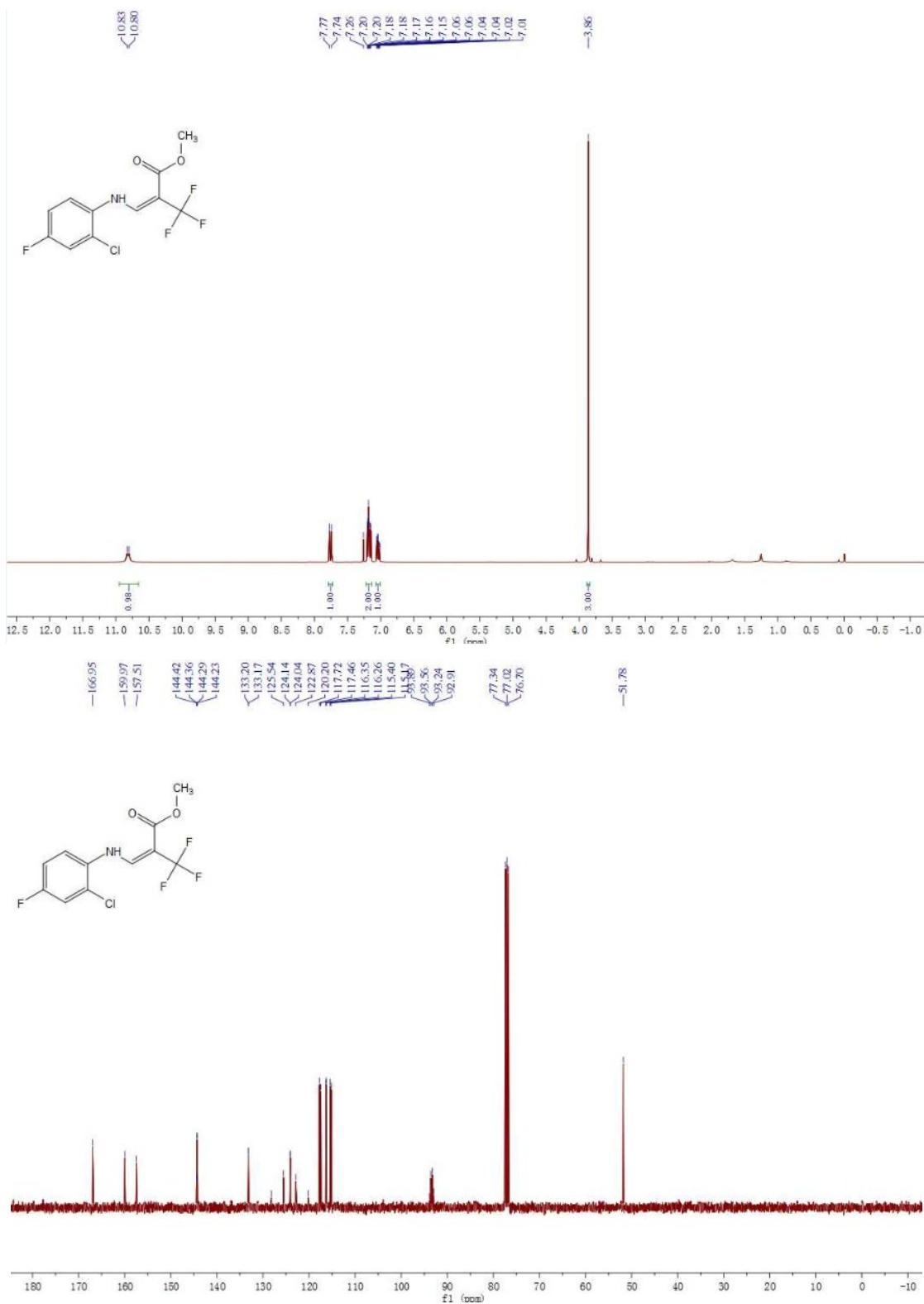
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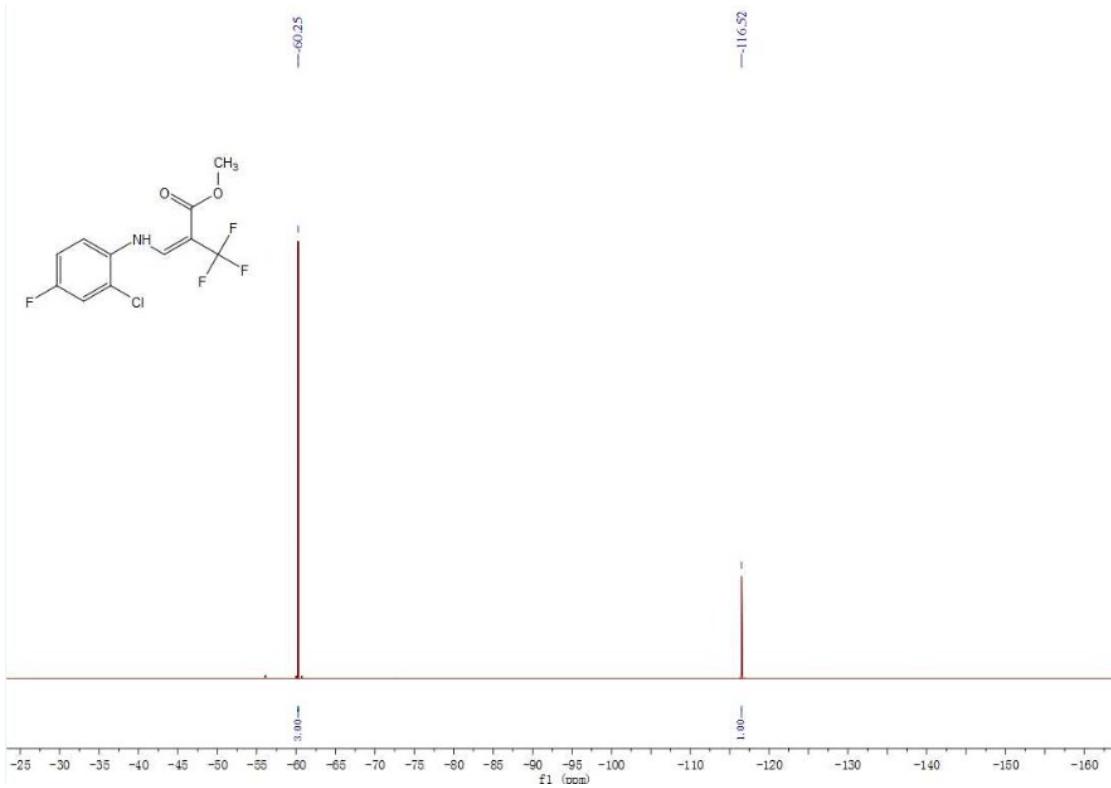




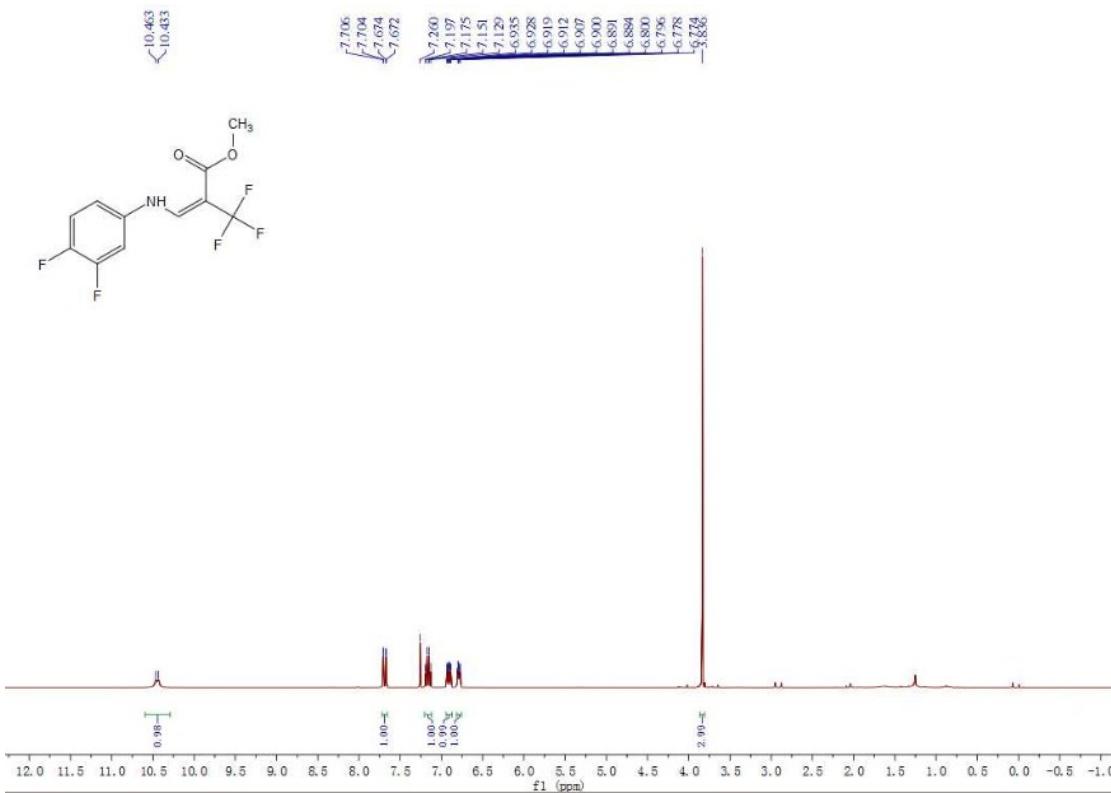


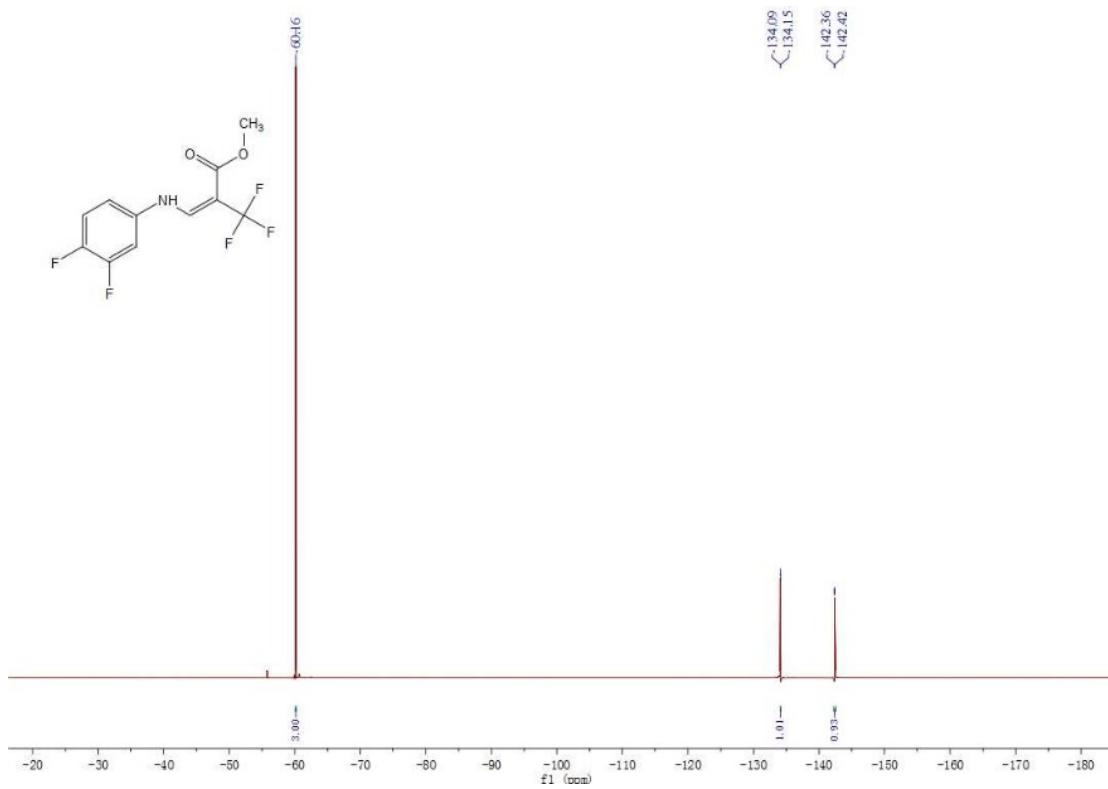
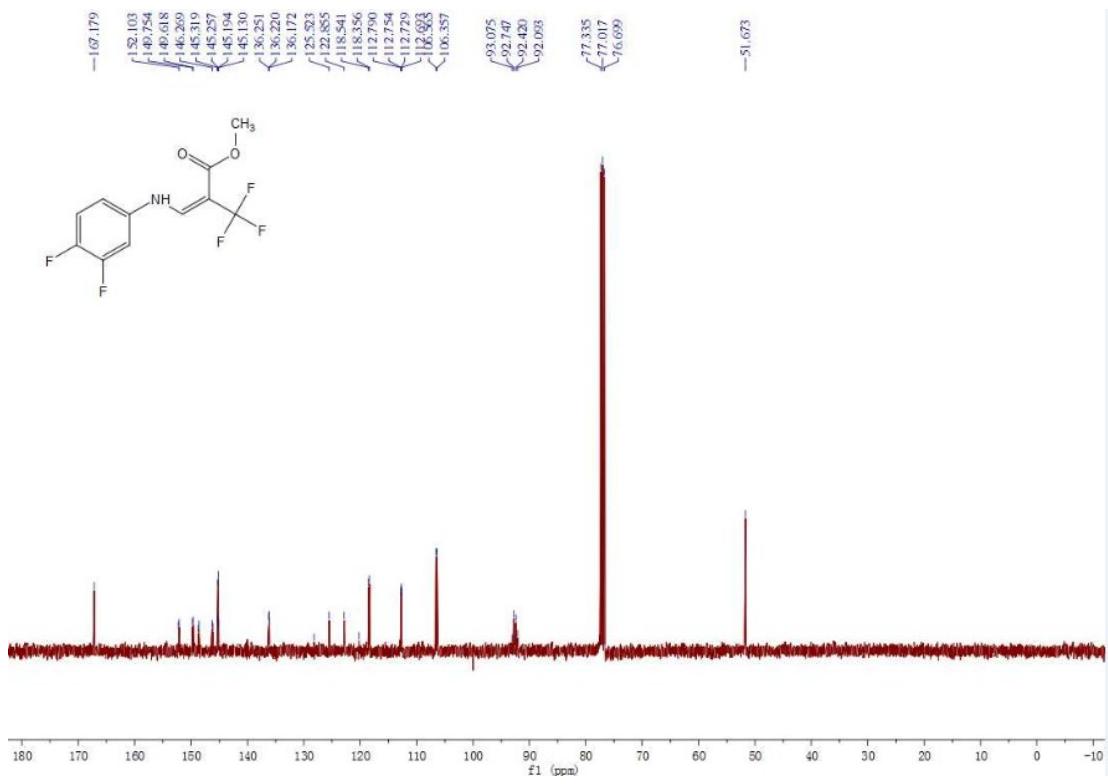
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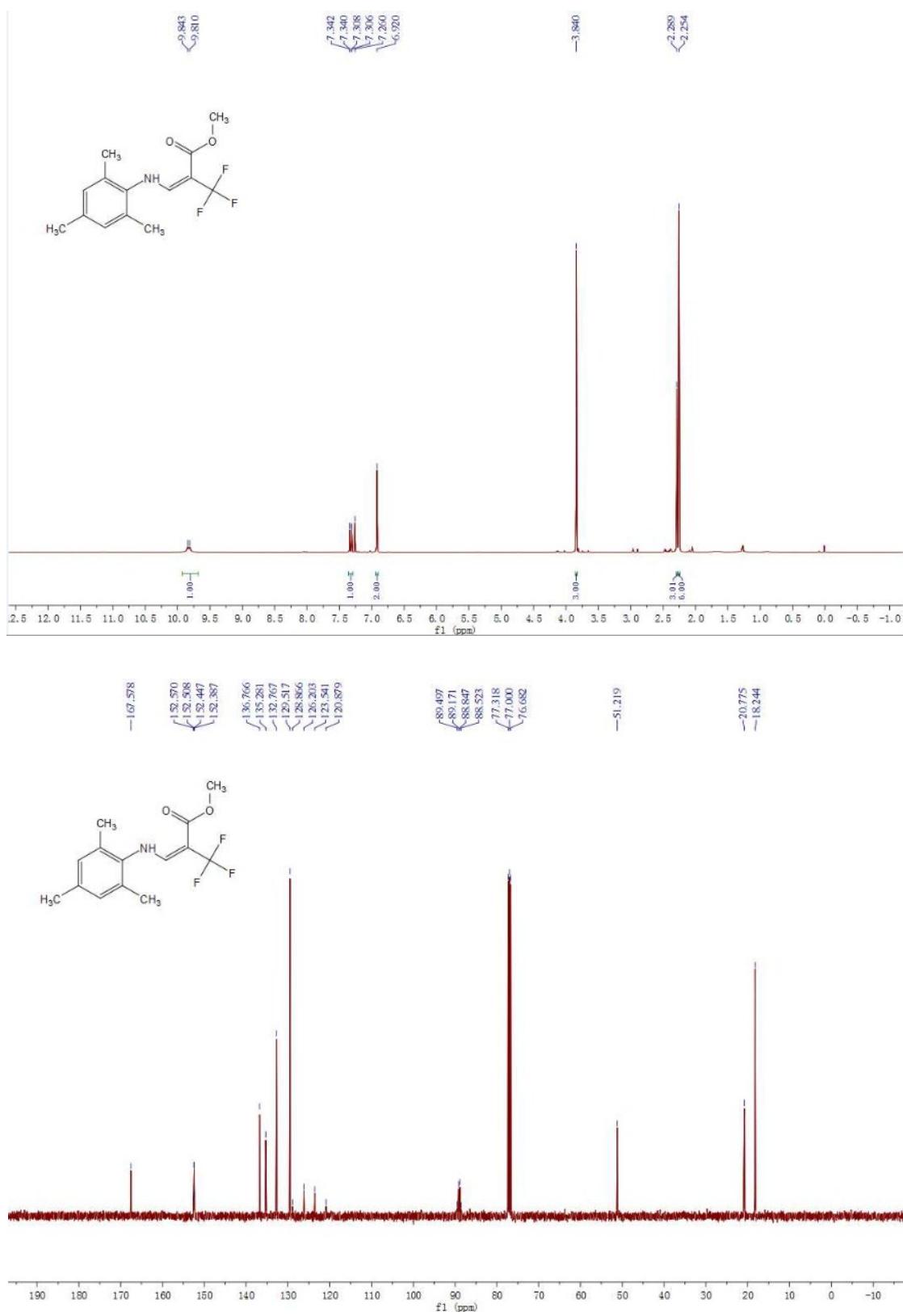


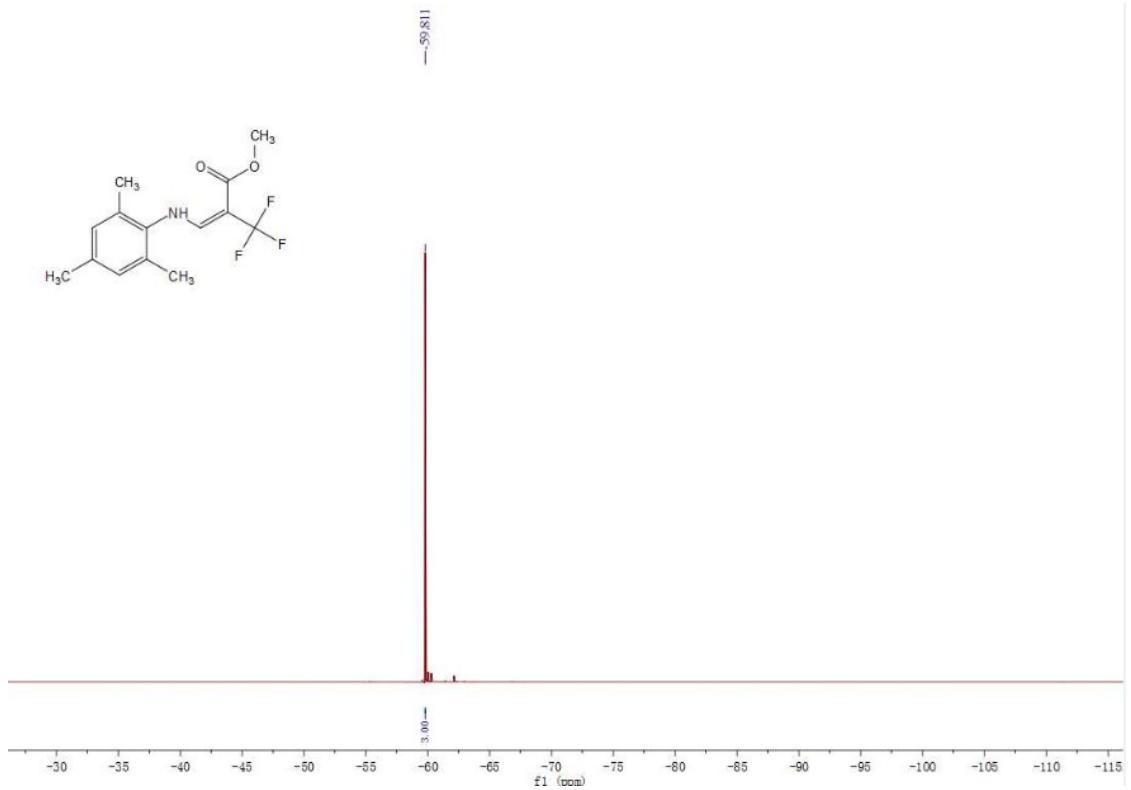
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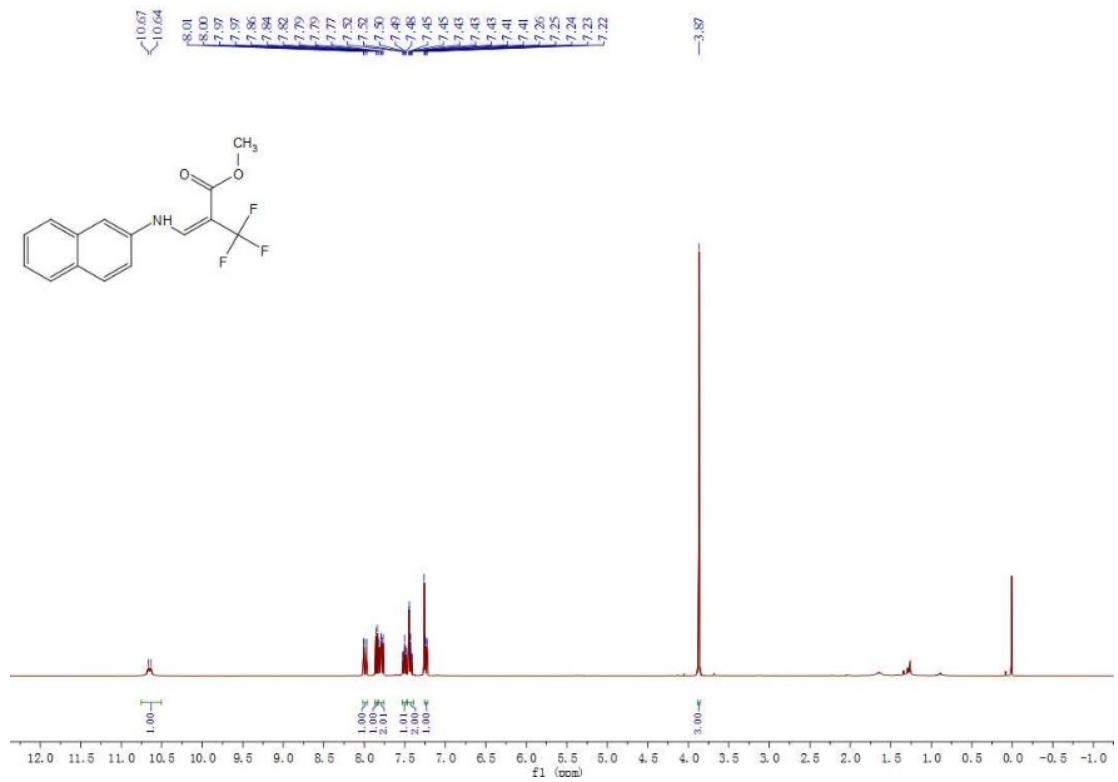


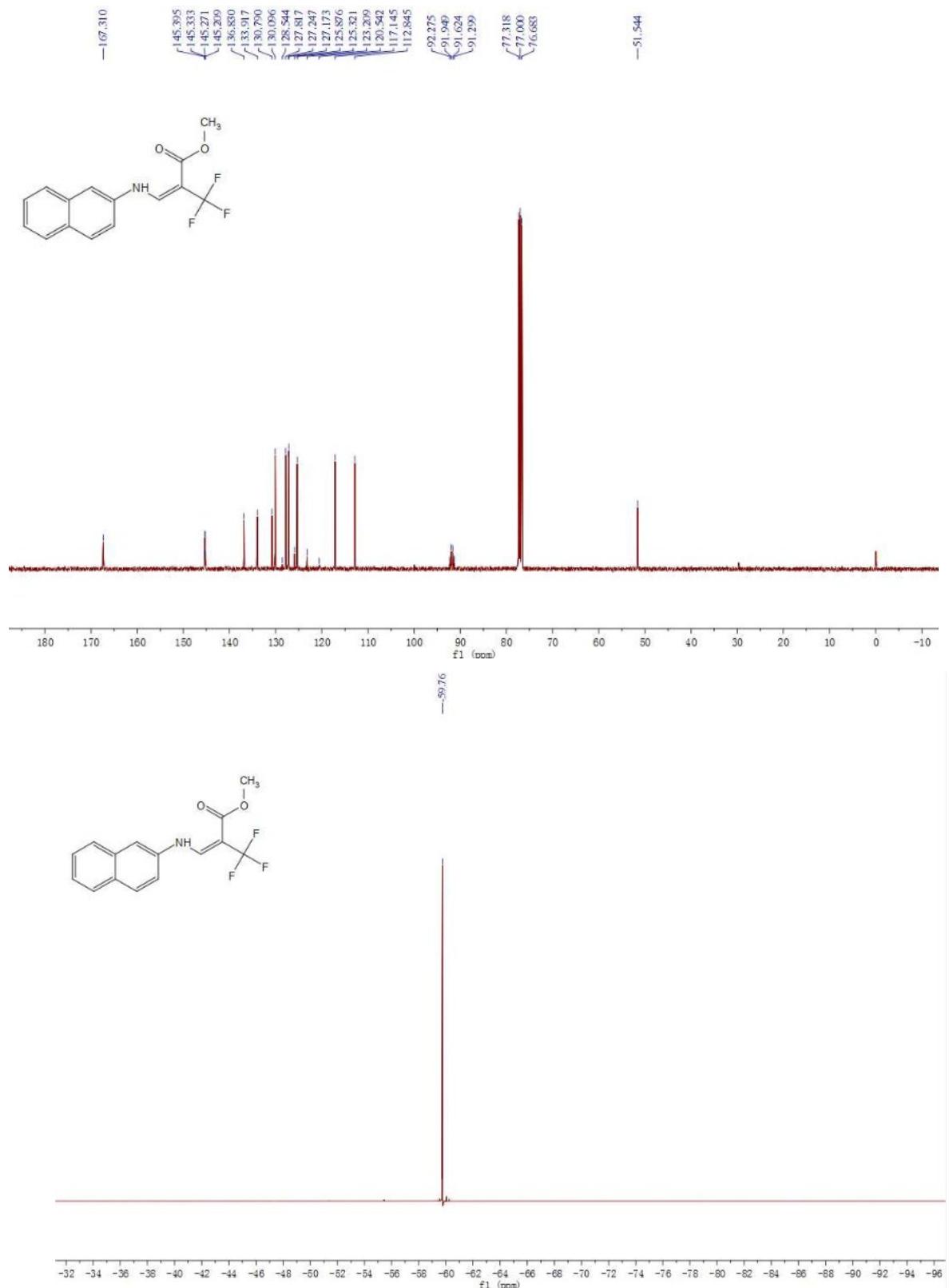
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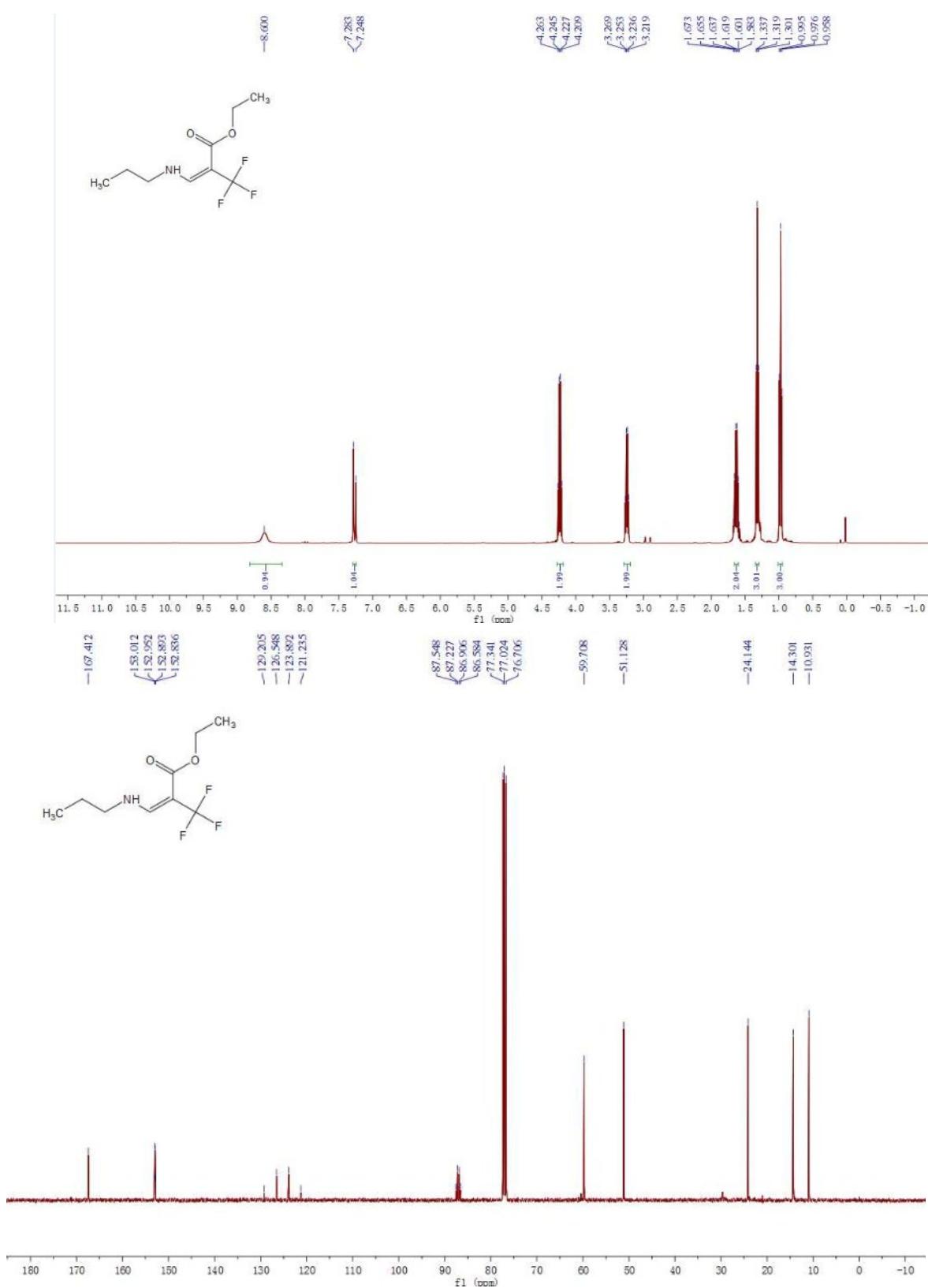


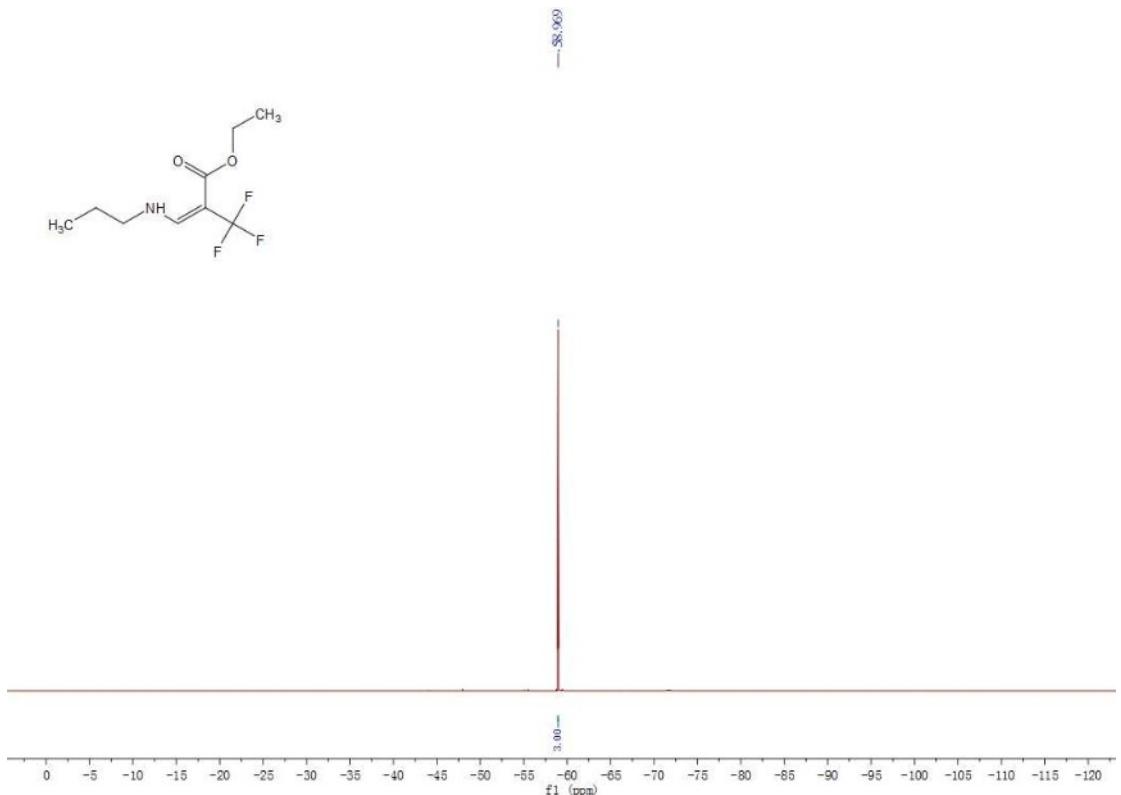
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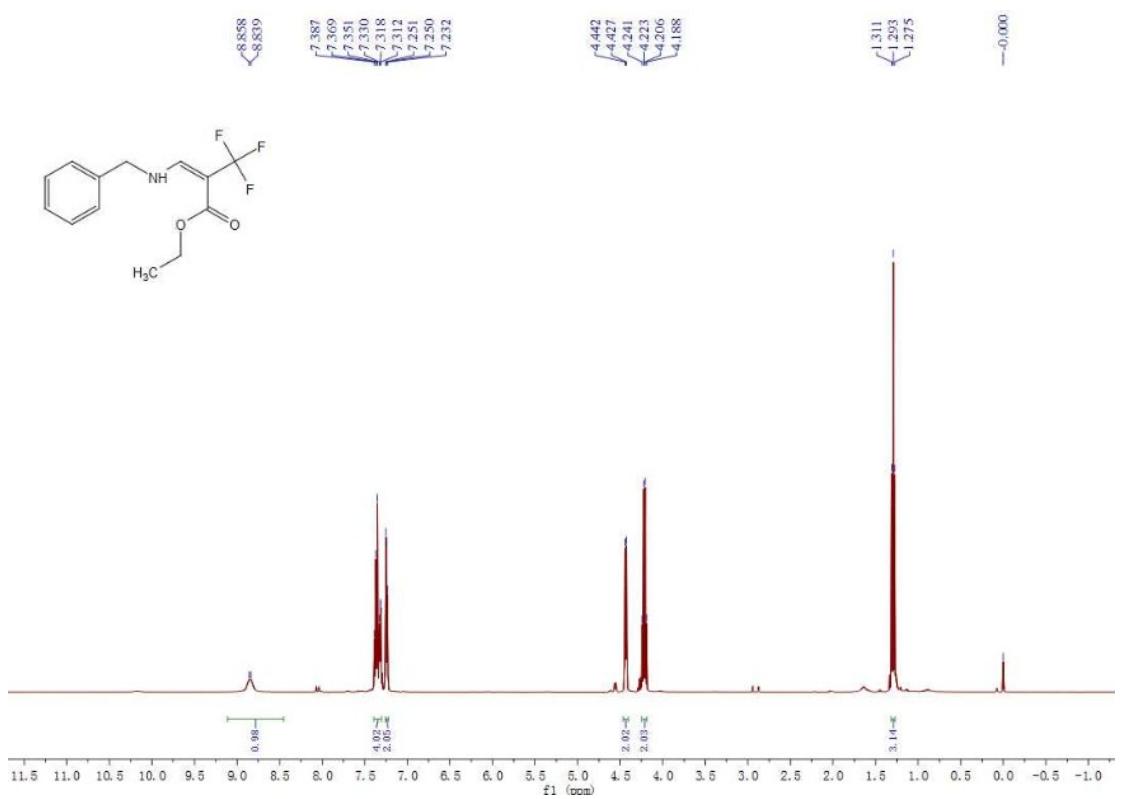


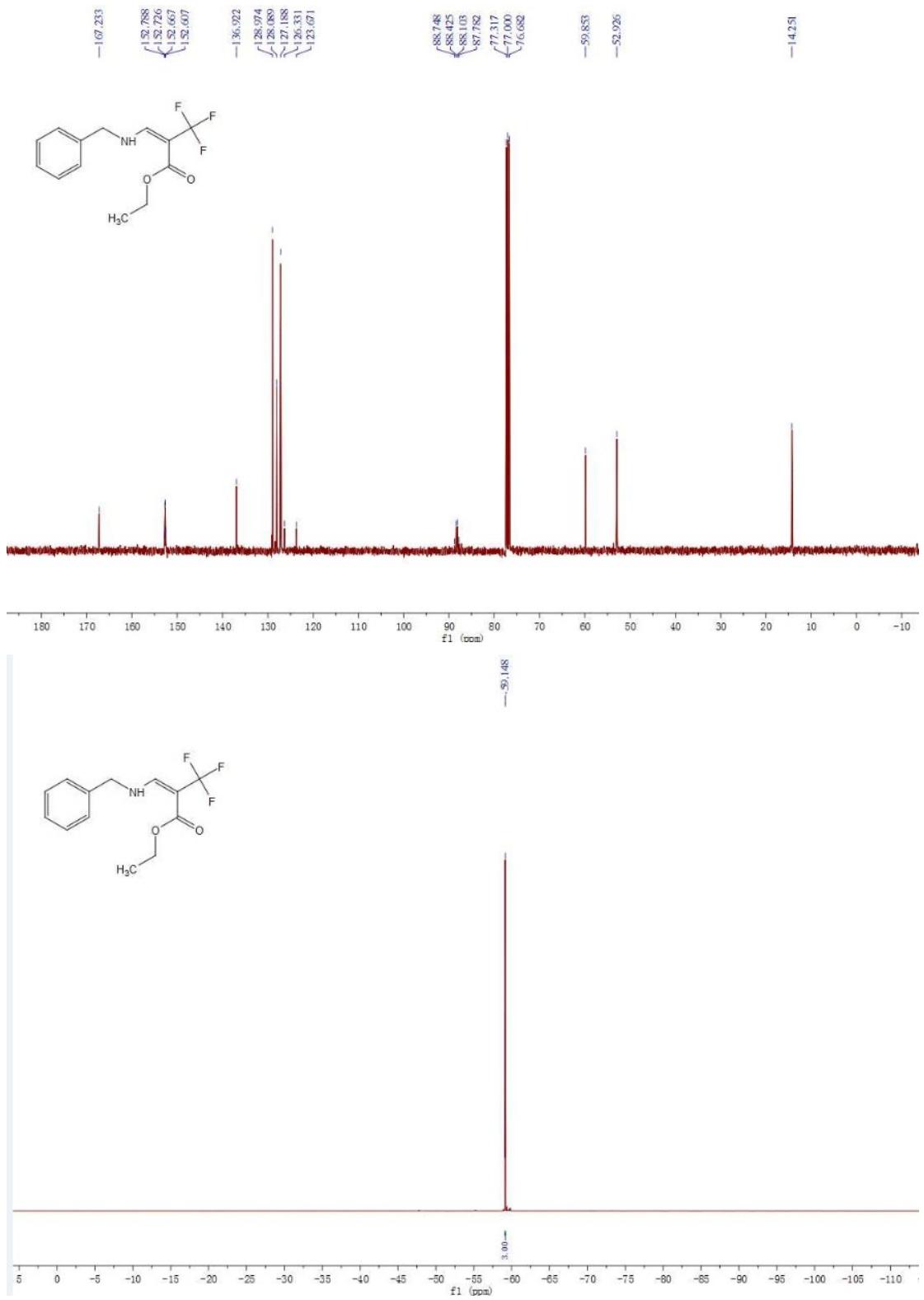
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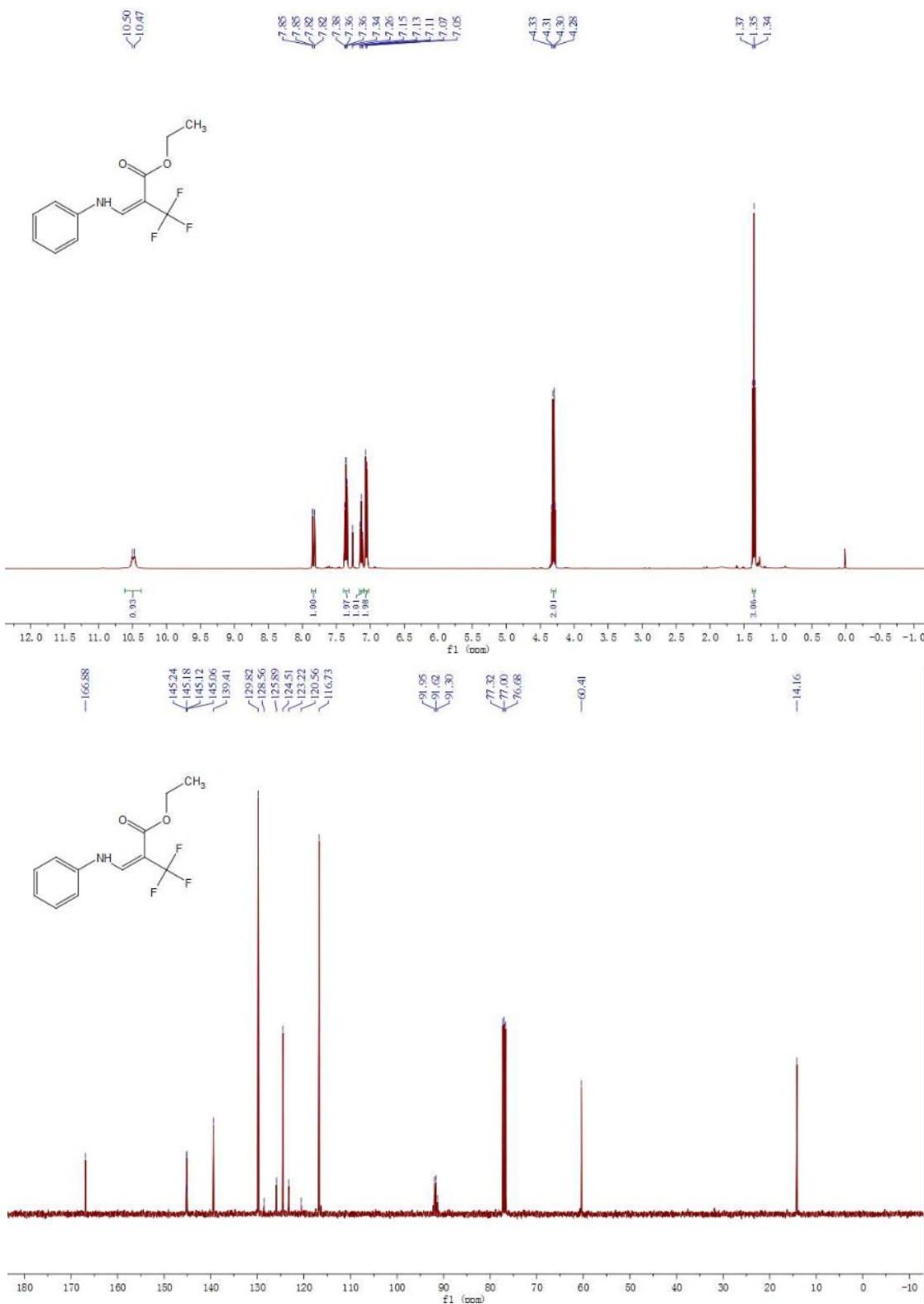


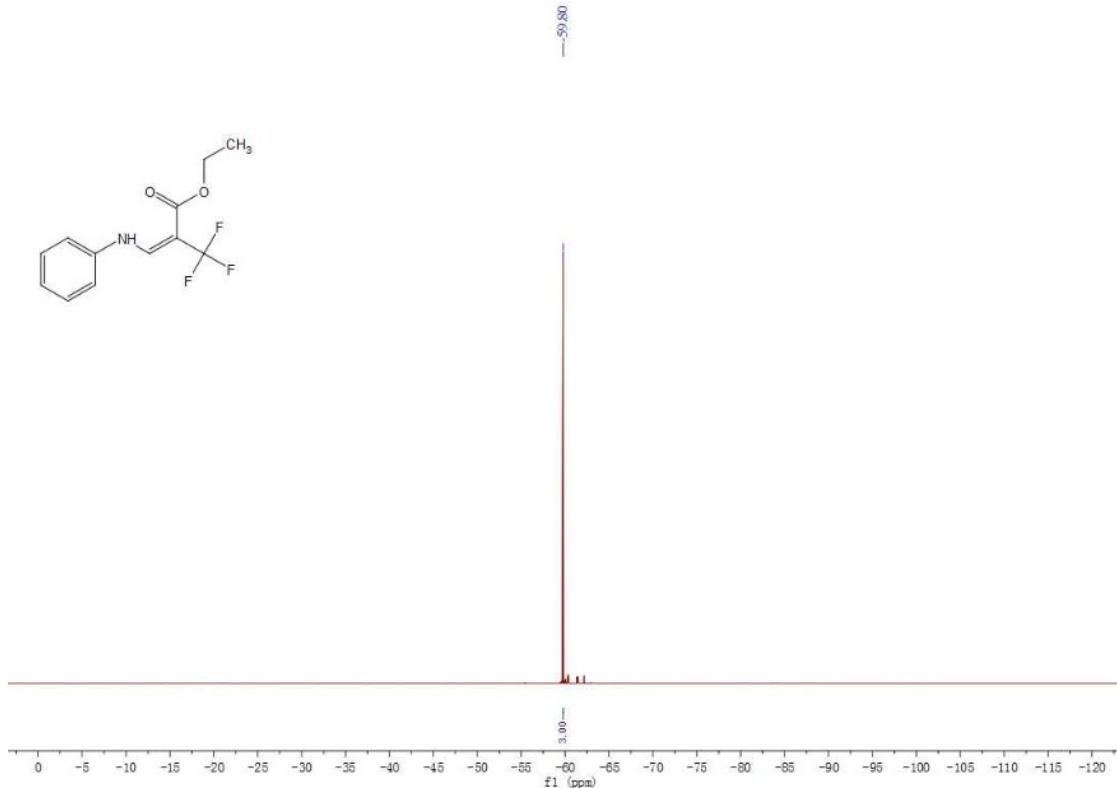
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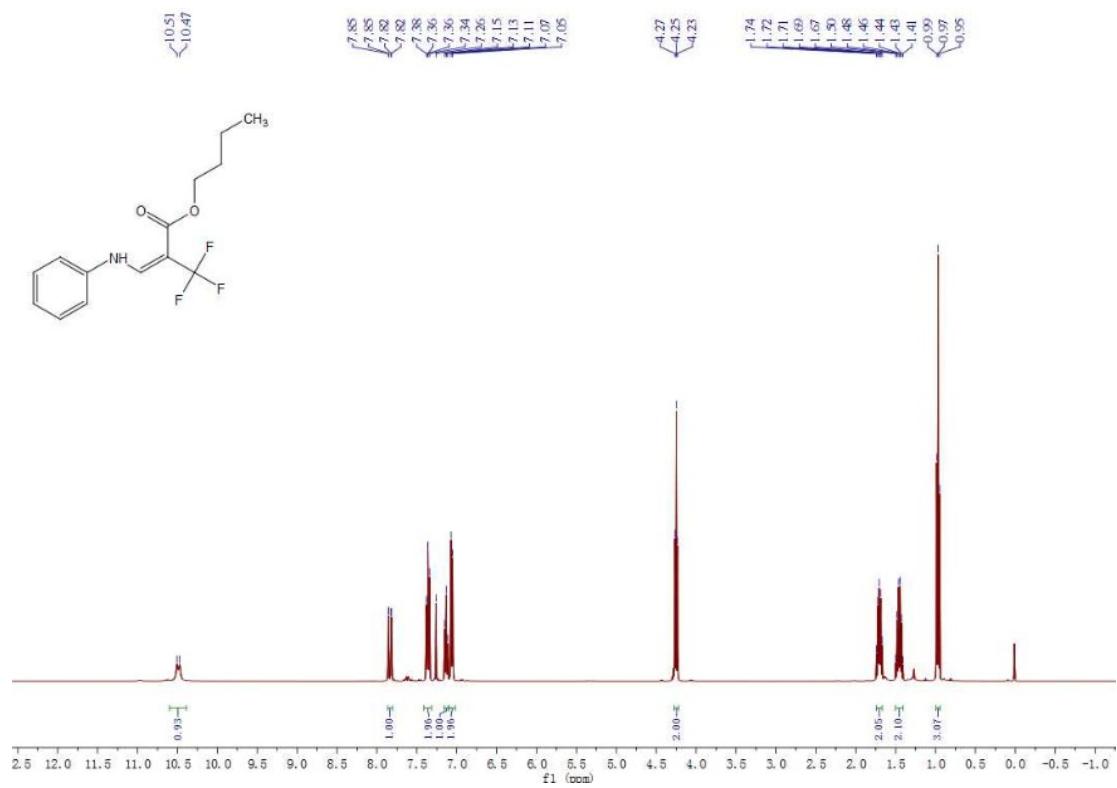


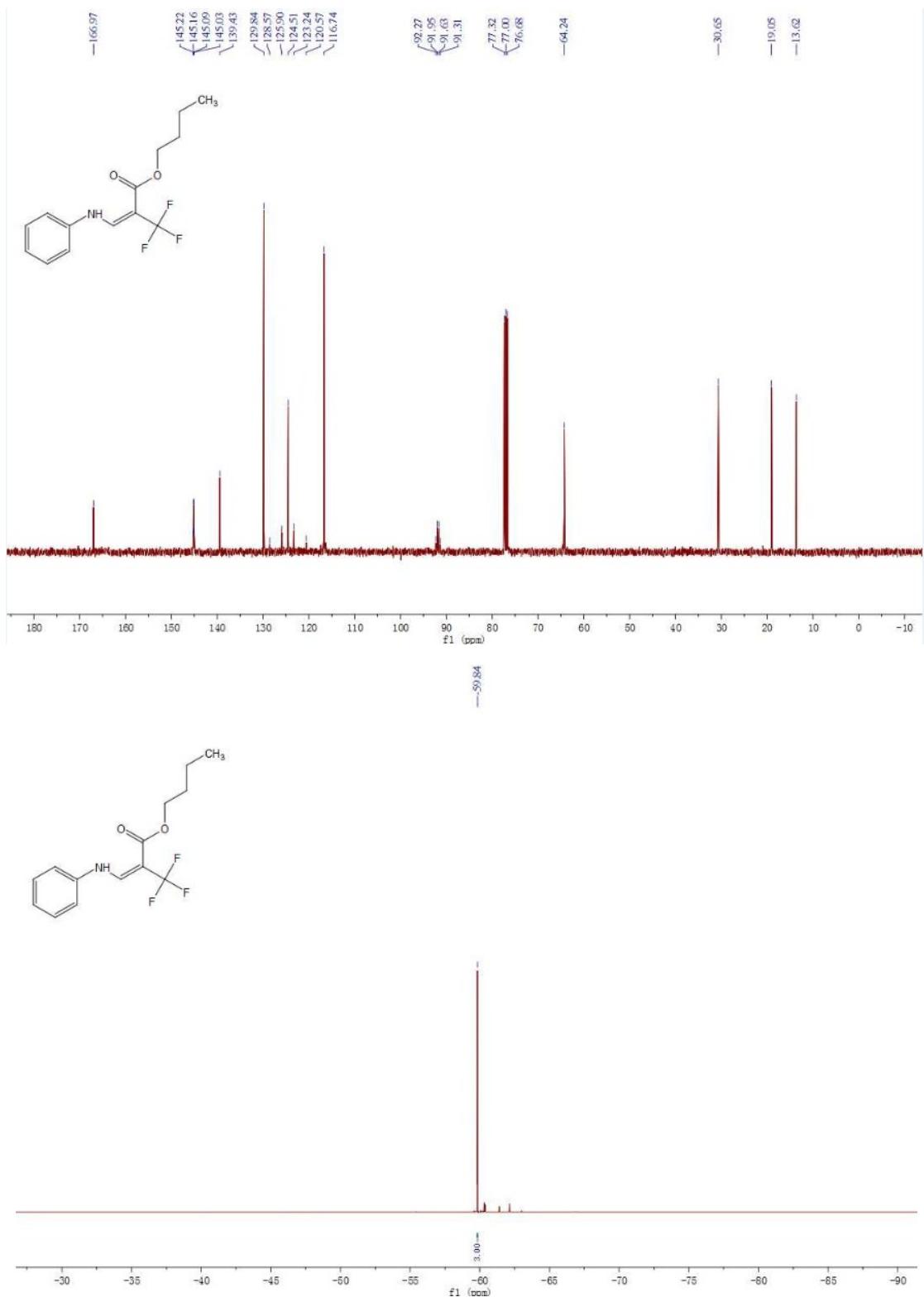
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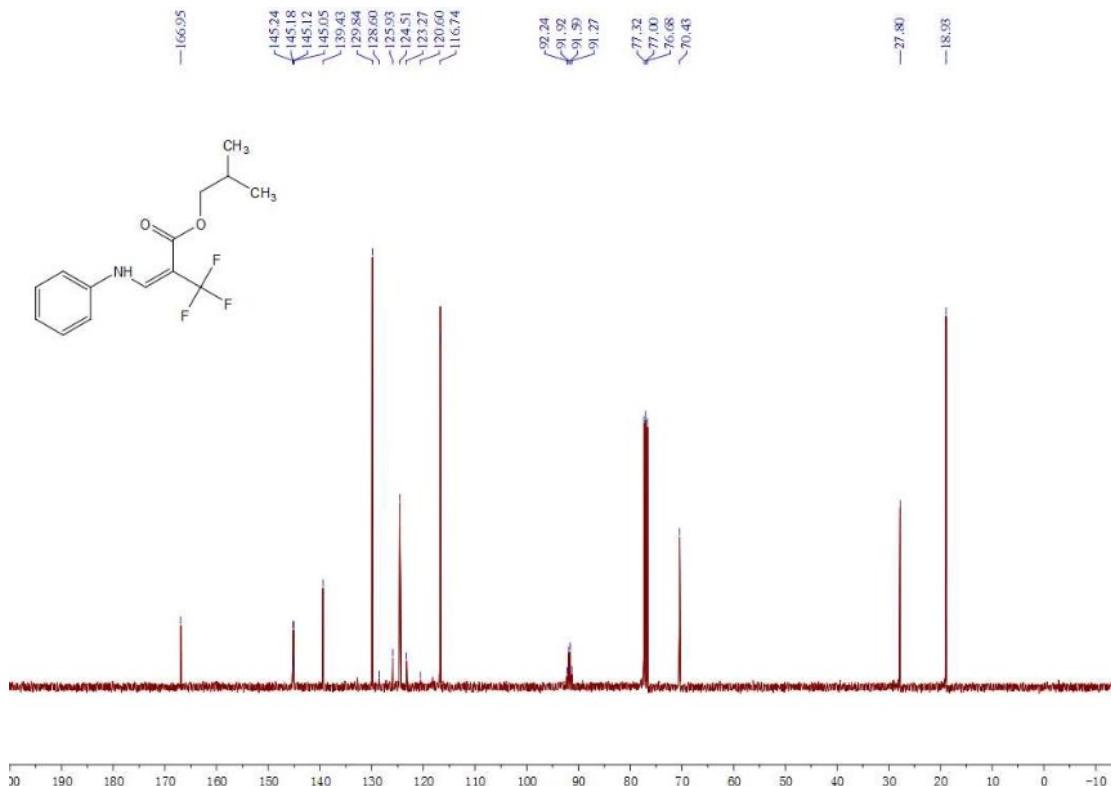
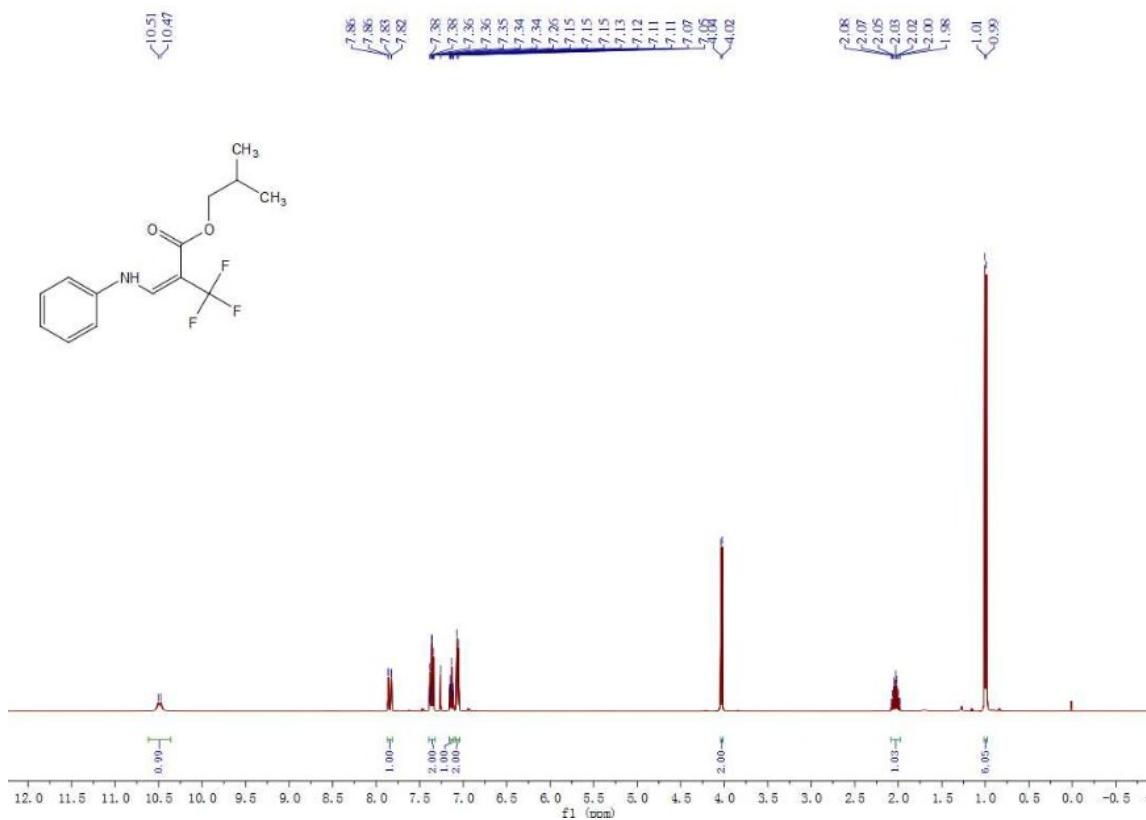


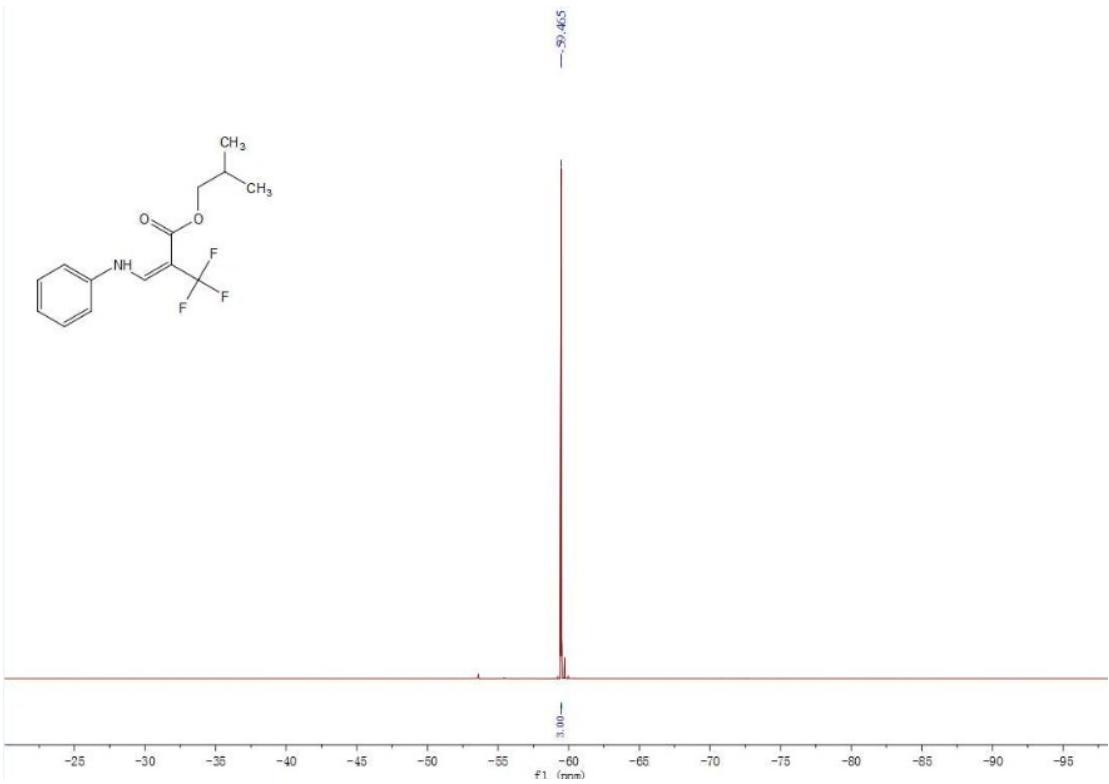
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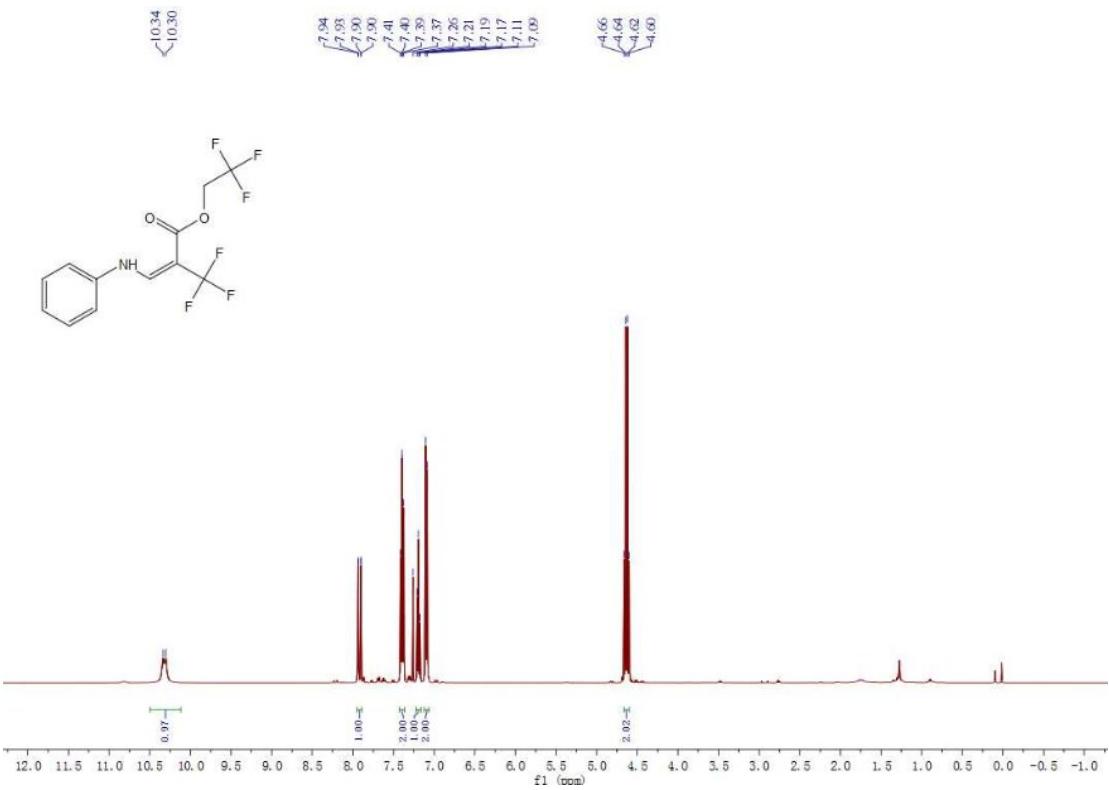


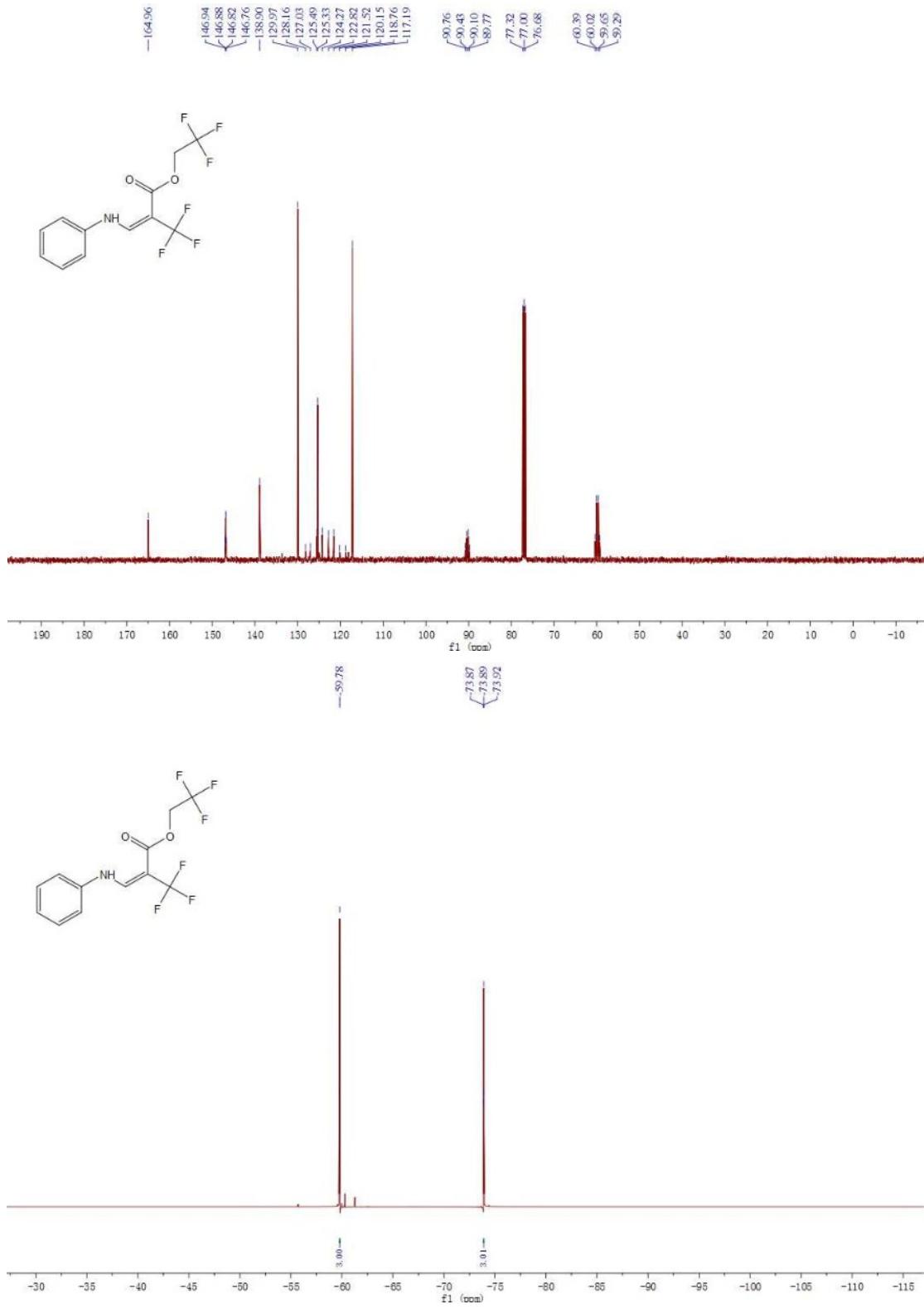
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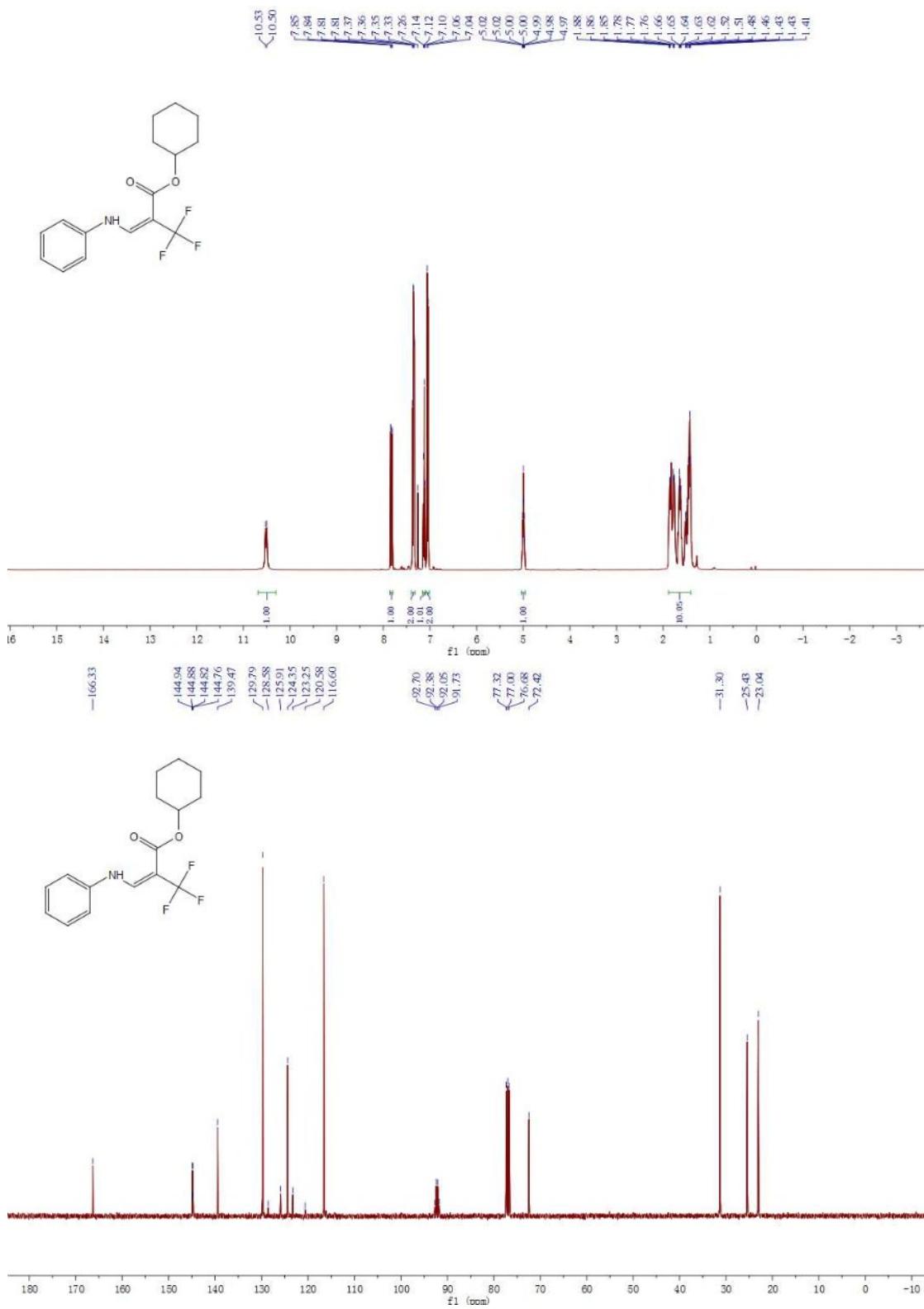


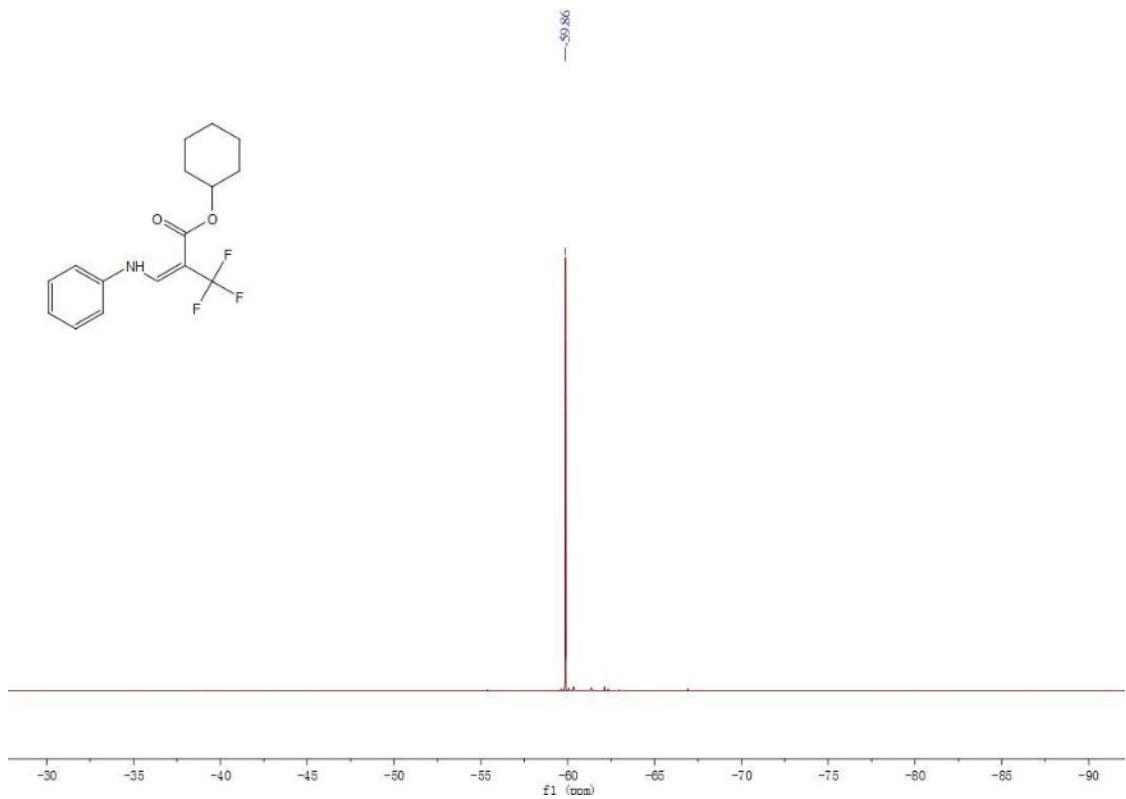
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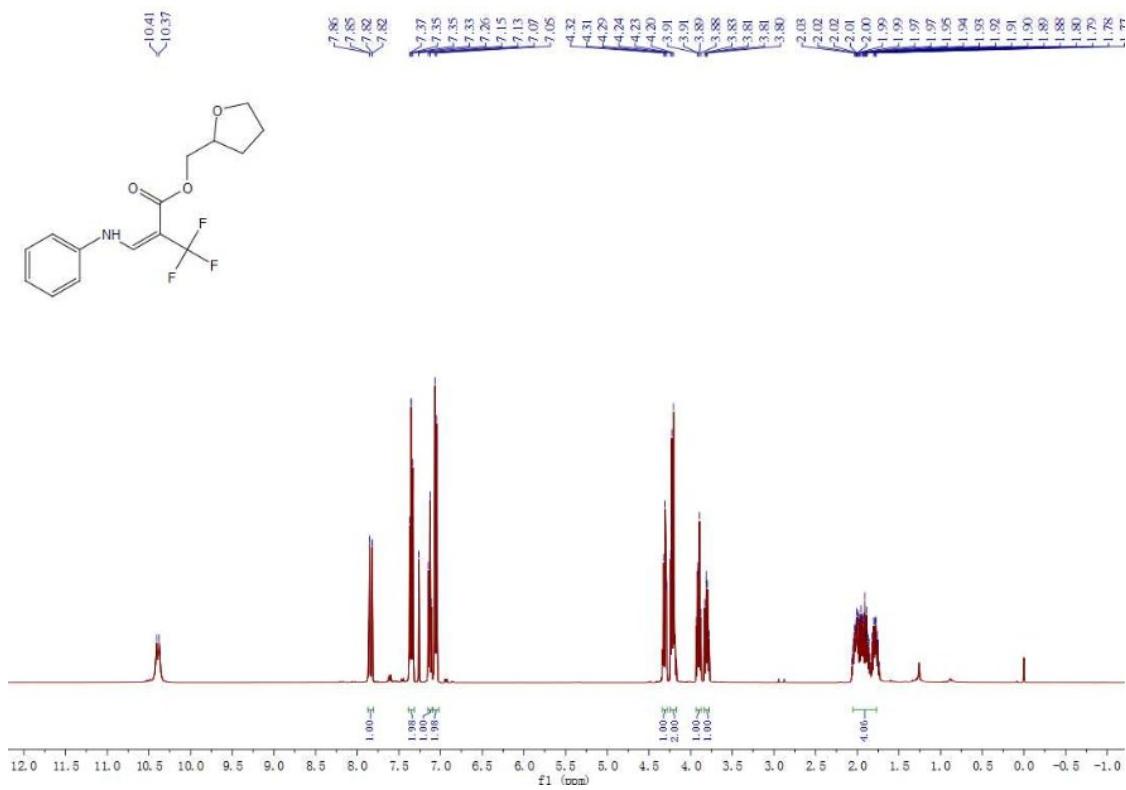


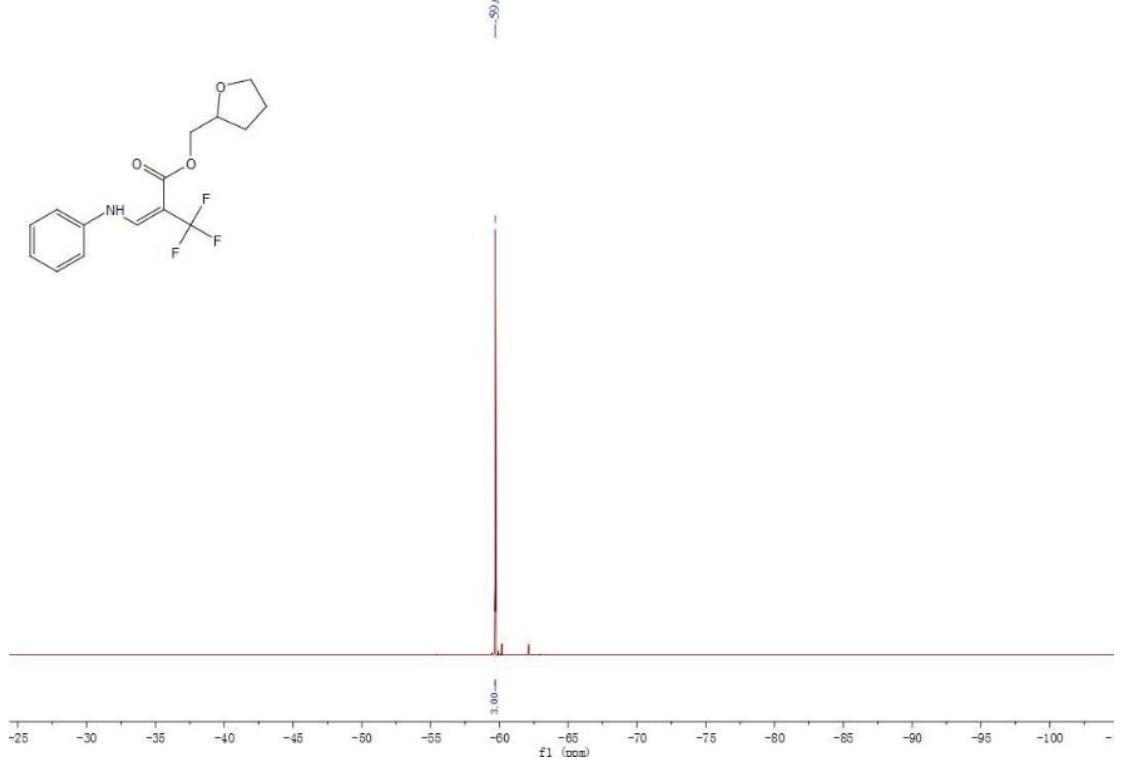
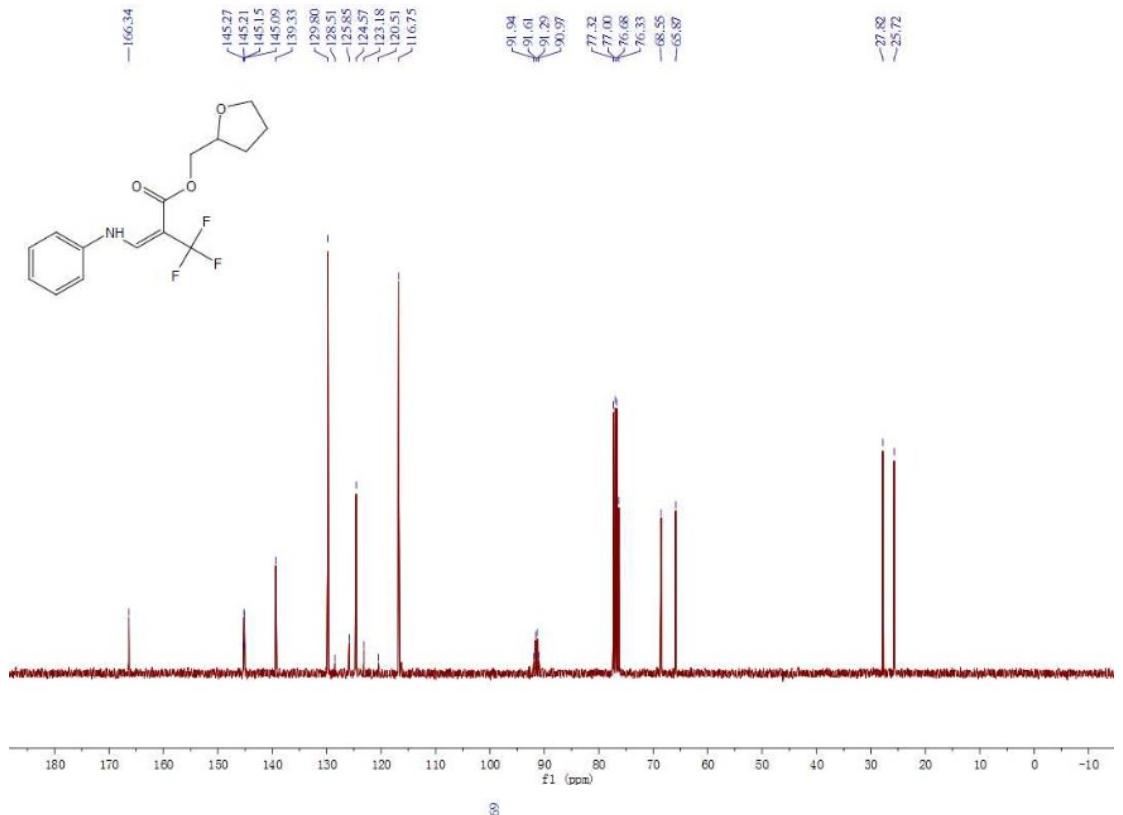
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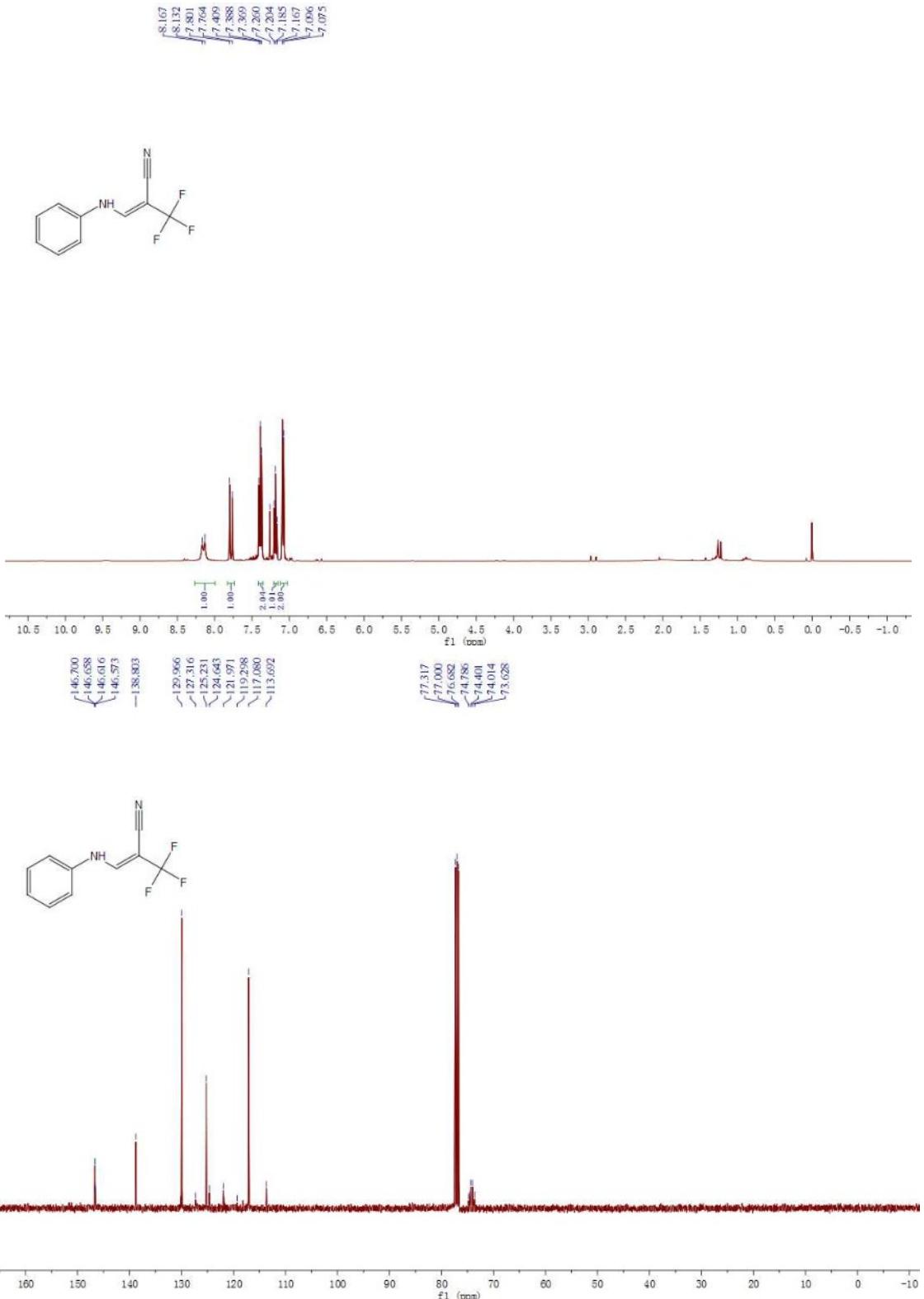


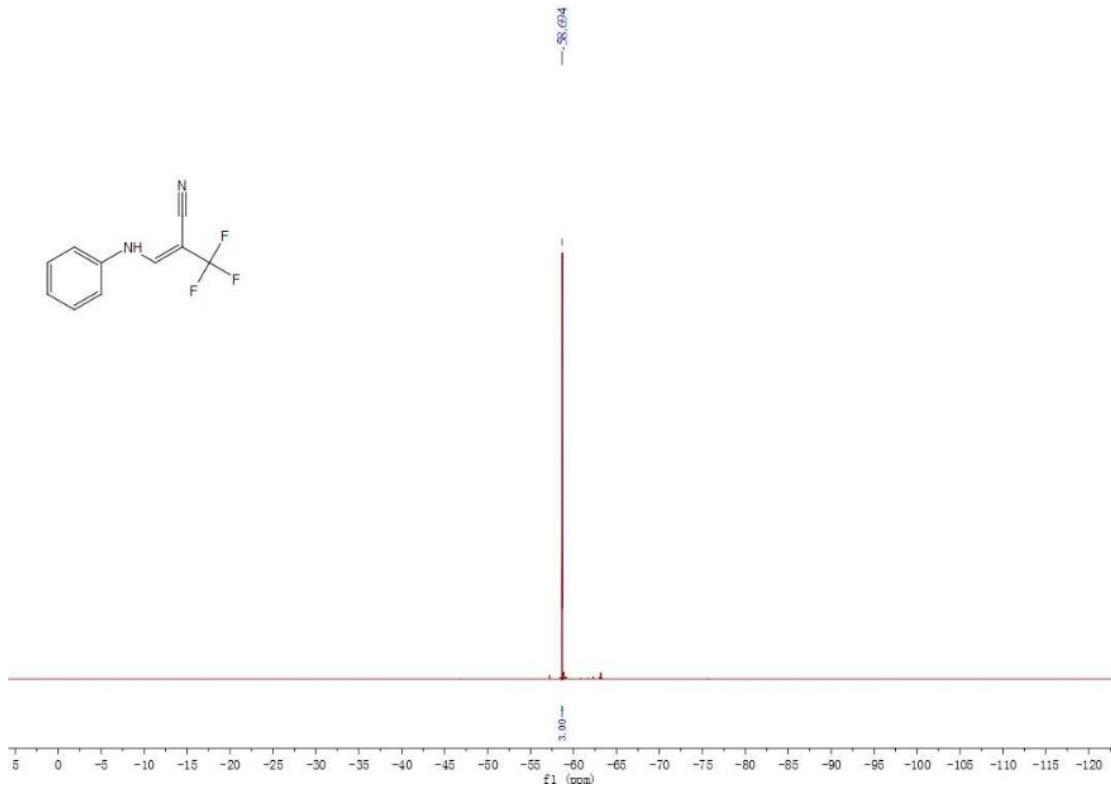
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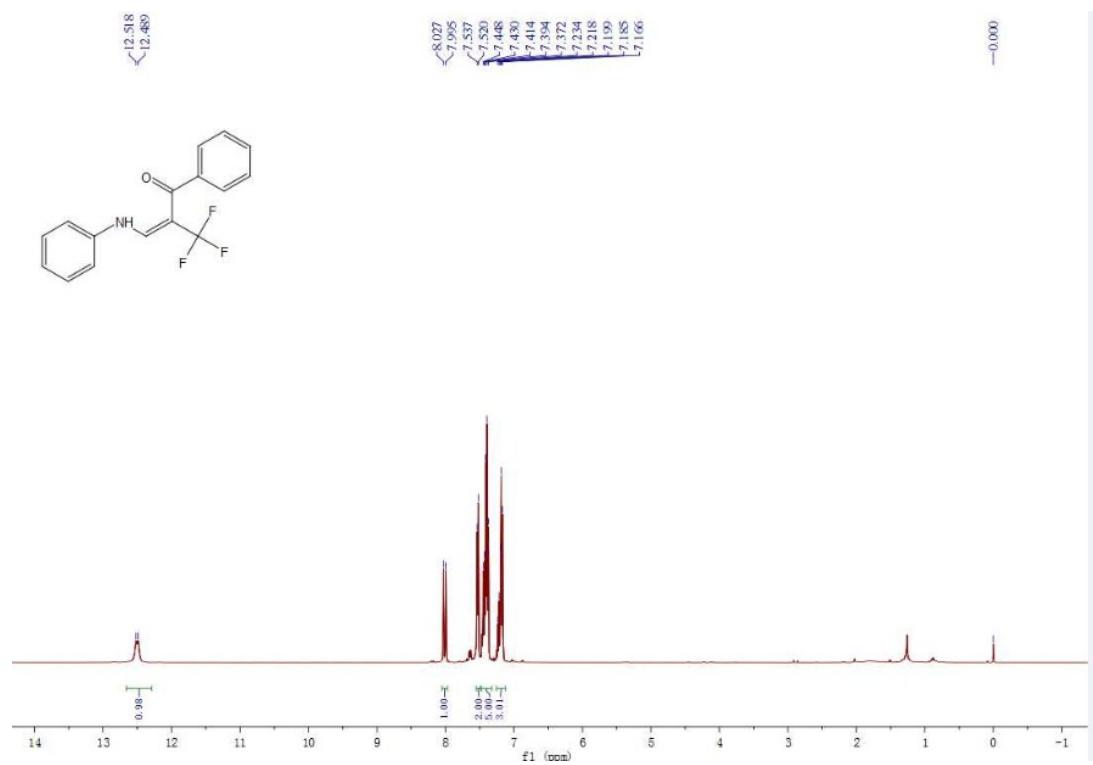


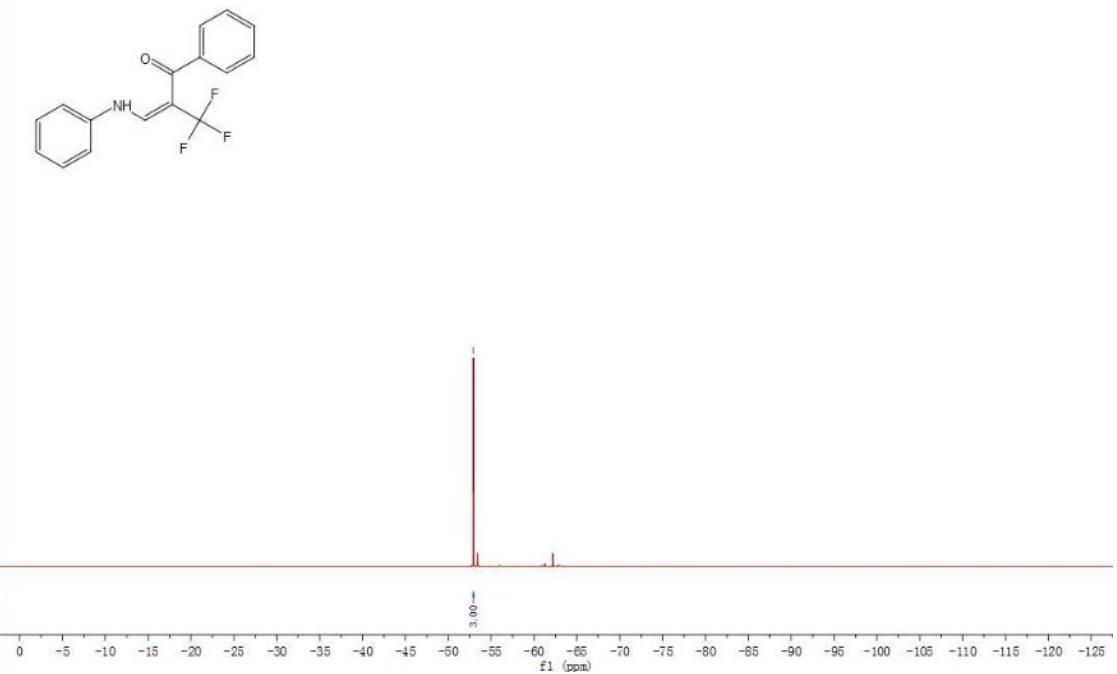
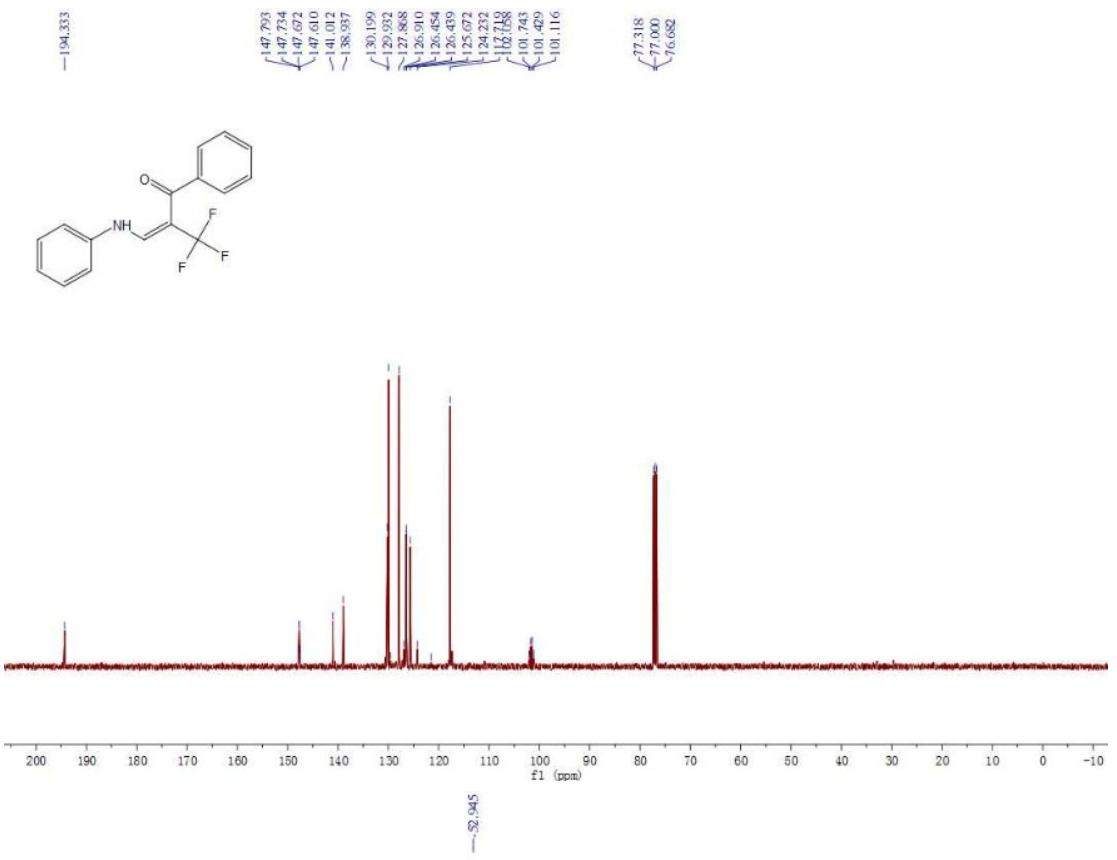
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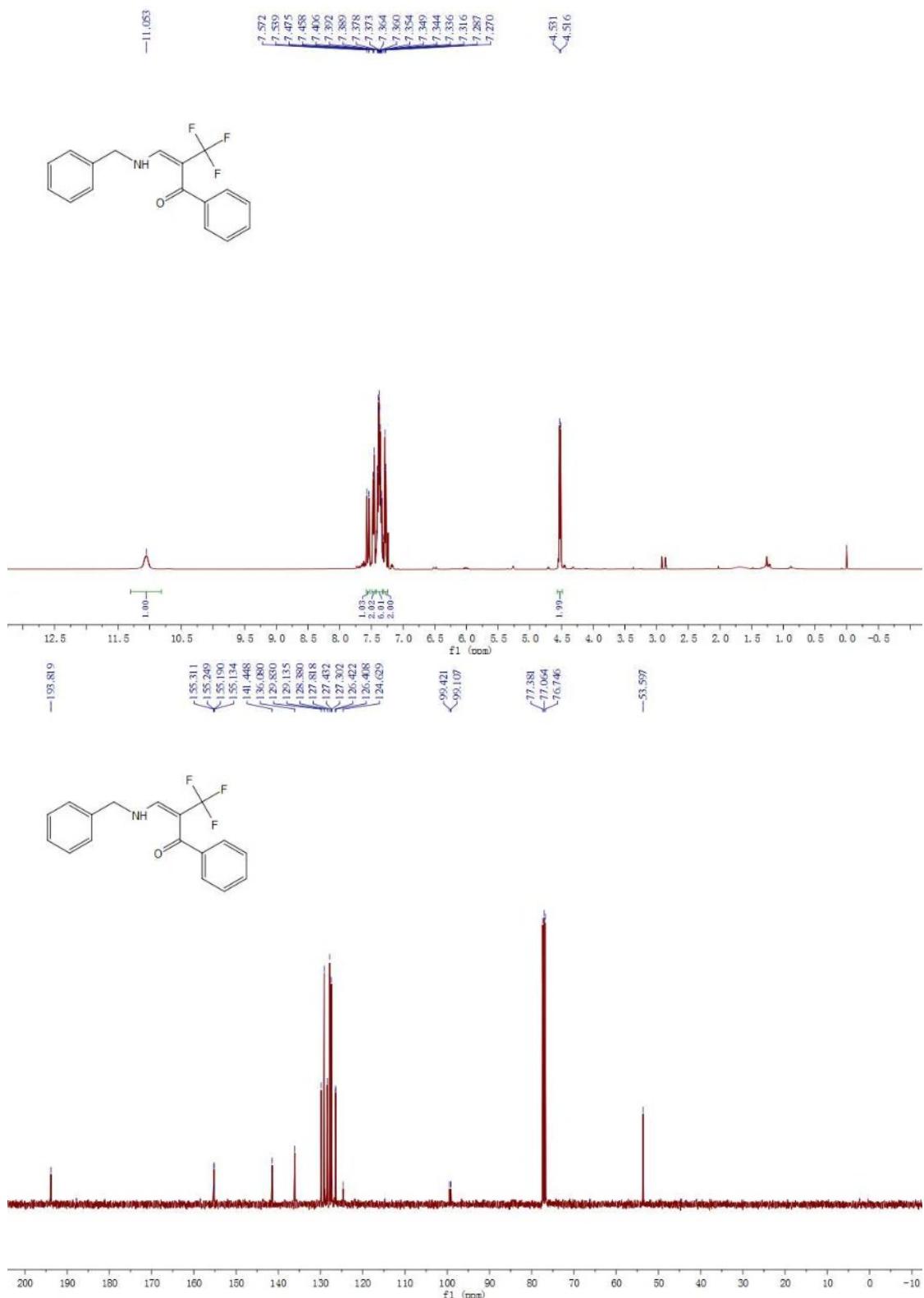


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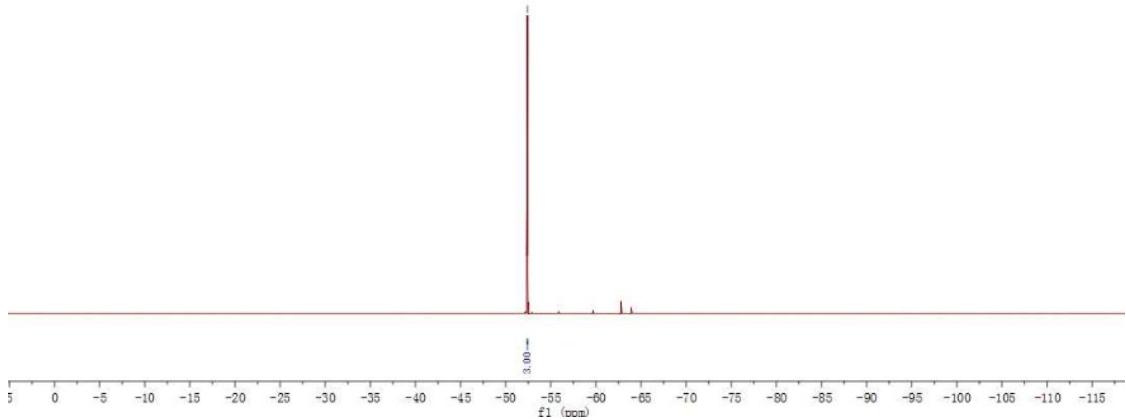


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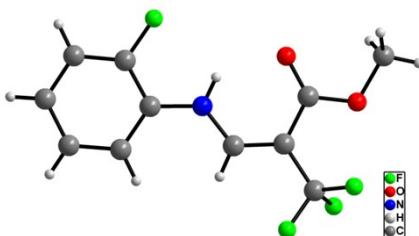


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## F. X-ray Crystallographic Data

The X-ray crystallographic structures for **2n**. Crystal data have been deposited to CCDC, number 1542511.




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Empirical formula	$C_{11}H_9F_4NO_2$	
Formula weight	263.19	
Temperature	150.00 (10) K	
Wavelength	1.54184 Å	
Crystal system, space group	monoclinic, $P_{1}2_1/c_1$	
Unit cell dimensions	$a = 9.57475(17)$ Å	$\alpha = 90.00$ deg.
	$b = 13.6182(2)$ Å	$\beta = 98.8820(17)$ deg.
	$c = 8.60542(16)$ Å	$\gamma = 90.00$ deg.
Volume	$1108.61(3)$ Å <sup>3</sup>	
Z, Calculated density	4, 1.577 Mg/m <sup>3</sup>	
Absorption coefficient	$1.359$ mm <sup>-1</sup>	
F(000)	536	
Crystal size	$0.60 \times 0.40 \times 0.08$ mm	
Theta range for data collection	4.67 to 74.38 deg.	
Limiting indices	$-8 \leq h \leq 11, -13 \leq k \leq 16, -10 \leq l \leq 9$	
Reflections collected / unique	4161 / 2186, [R(int) = 0.0222]	
Completeness to theta = 74.38	99.90%	
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F <sup>2</sup>	
Data / restraints / parameters	2186 / 0 / 164	
Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>	1.061	

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Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]                    R1 = 0.0377, wR2 = 0.1036

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R indices (all data)                            R1 = 0.0404, wR2 = 0.1065

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