

Electronic Supplementary Information

Copper-catalyzed aerobic benzylic sp^3 C-H oxidation mediated synthesis of 2,4,5-trisubstituted imidazoles via a domino multi-component reaction

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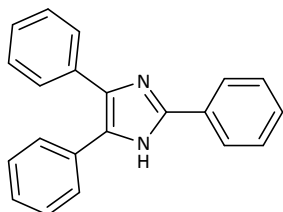
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I. General Information

All reagents were purchased without further purification. All ^1H and ^{13}C Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR) spectra were recorded on a Bruker Advance III spectrometer operating at either 400 or 500 MHz. Chemical shifts (δ) were reported in ppm using the Dimethyl Sulfoxide- d_6 (DMSO- d_6) residual peak (δ 2.50) for ^1H NMR. Chemical shifts of ^{13}C NMR were reported relative to DMSO- d_6 (δ 39.51). The following abbreviations were used to describe peak splitting patterns when appropriate: br = broad, s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet. Coupling constants, J, were reported in Hertz unit (Hz). High-resolution electron-spray ionization (ESI) mass spectra were recorded on a time-of-flight (TOF) micromass spectrometer. Infra-Red (IR) spectra were recorded on Perkin Elmer FTIR Spectrometer. Absorption maxima are expressed in wavenumbers (cm^{-1}). Melting points were determined using Kofler hot-stage melting apparatus.

II. Synthetic Procedures and Characterization of Imidazole Derivatives

2,4,5-Triphenyl-1*H*-imidazole (3a, C₂₁H₁₆N₂)^{1, 2}



2-Phenylacetophenone (98.12 mg, 0.5 mmol), benzaldehyde (51.02 μ L, 0.5 mmol), ammonium acetate (385.4 mg, 5.0 mmol) and catalytic copper chloride dihydrate (5 mol%) were mixed in a round bottomed flask with 1 mL Dimethylformamide (DMF). An oxygen balloon was attached and the mixture was heated at 50 °C for 24 hours. After cooling, ice water was added to the reaction mixture to form a white precipitate which was filtered and dried in an oven at 50 °C for 2 hours. The crude product was recrystallized from 9:1 acetone:water to afford 2, 4, 5-triphenyl-1*H*-imidazole as a white solid (129.20 mg, 87%). Mp 270-271 °C;

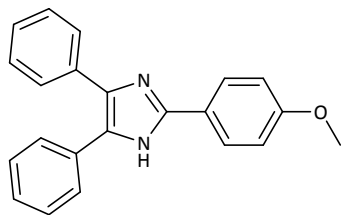
ν_{max} (neat, cm⁻¹): 3419 (N-H), 3039 (C-H), 1600 (C=N), 1461 (C=C), 1488, 1128 (C-N);

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-D₆): 12.71(s, 1H), 8.14-8.12 (d, J = 7.20 Hz, 2H), 7.61-7.59 (d, J = 7.24 Hz, 2H), 7.54-7.53 (d, J = 7.12 Hz, 2H), 7.50-7.42 (m, 4H), 7.40-7.35 (m, 2H), 7.33-7.29 (t, J = 7.14 Hz, 2H), 7.24-7.23 (m, 1H);

¹³C (100 MHz, DMSO-D₆): 145.5, 137.1, 135.2, 131.1, 130.3, 128.6, 128.6, 128.4, 128.2, 128.1, 127.7, 127.1, 126.5, 125.2;

ESI-MS (m/z): 297.1432 (100) [M+H]⁺, 298.1463 (24).

2-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-4,5-diphenyl-1H-imidazole (3b, C₂₂H₁₈N₂O)²



Prepared according to the procedure given for **3a**, using 4-methoxybenzaldehyde (60.84 μ L, 0.5 mmol) obtained as a white solid (97.75 mg, 60%). Mp 230-233 $^{\circ}$ C;

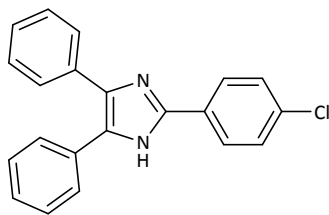
ν_{max} (neat, cm^{-1}): 3411 (N-H), 3024 (C-H), 2959, 1613 (C=N), 1492 (C=C), 1245 (C-N), 1175 (C-O-C);

^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- D_6): 12.51 (s, 1H), 8.05-8.03 (d, $J = 8.80$ Hz, 2H), 7.58-7.56 (d, $J = 7.40$ Hz, 2H), 7.52-7.50 (d, $J = 7.32$ Hz, 2H), 7.45-7.41 (t, $J = 7.46$ Hz, 2H), 7.37-7.34 (t, $J = 7.24$ Hz, 1H), 7.32-7.28 (t, $J = 7.50$ Hz, 2H), 7.23-7.19 (t, $J = 7.26$ Hz, 1H), 7.06-7.04 (d, $J = 8.84$ Hz, 2H), 3.82 (s, 3H);

^{13}C (100 MHz, DMSO- D_6): 159.4, 145.6, 136.8, 135.3, 131.2, 128.6, 128.3, 128.1, 127.6, 127.6, 127.1, 126.7, 126.4, 123.1, 114.1, 55.5;

ESI-MS (m/z): 325.1070 (100) $[\text{M}-\text{H}]^+$, 326.1105 $[\text{M}]$.

2-(4-Chlorophenyl)-4,5-diphenyl-1*H*-imidazole (3c, C₂₁H₁₅ClN₂)^{3,4}



Prepared according to the procedure given for **3a**, using 4-chlorobenzaldehyde (70.29 mg, 0.5 mmol) obtained as a white solid (121.21 mg, 73%). Mp 263-264 °C;

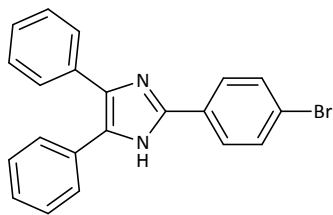
ν_{max} (neat, cm⁻¹): 3408 (N-H), 3059 (C-H), 3027, 1602 (C=N), 1485 (C=C), 1091 (C-N), 764 (C-Cl), 693;

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-D₆): 12.77 (s, 1H), 8.13-8.11 (d, *J* = 8.56 Hz, 2H), 7.55-7.53 (m, 6H), 7.36 (m, 6H);

¹³C (100 MHz, DMSO-D₆): 144.5, 137.4, 135.1, 132.8, 131.0, 129.3, 128.8, 128.7, 128.5, 128.2, 127.9, 127.2, 126.9, 126.6;

ESI-MS (*m/z*): 331.1175 (100) [M+H]⁺, 332.1209 (25), 333.1129 (41).

2-(4-Bromophenyl)-4,5-diphenyl-1*H*-imidazole (3d, C₂₁H₁₅BrN₂)^{3,4}



Prepared according to the procedure given for **3a**, using 4-bromobenzaldehyde (92.15 mg, 0.5 mmol) obtained as a white solid (142.15 mg, 76%). Mp 250-252 °C;

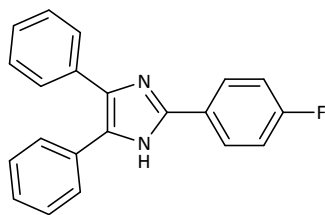
ν_{max} (neat, cm⁻¹): 3415 (N-H), 3057 (C-H), 2835, 1601 (C=N), 1482 (C=C), 1126 (C-N), 604 (C-Br);

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-D₆): 12.77 (s, 1H), 8.06-8.04 (d, *J* = 8.60 Hz, 2H), 7.69-7.67 (d, *J* = 8.60 Hz, 2H), 7.54-7.52 (m, 4H), 7.36 (m, 6H);

¹³C (100 MHz, DMSO-D₆): 144.5, 137.4, 135.0, 131.7, 130.9, 129.6, 128.7, 128.4, 128.2, 127.9, 127.1, 126.6, 121.4;

ESI-MS (*m/z*): 375.0674 (100) [M+H]⁺, 376.0711 (24), 377.0663 (97), 378.0696 (23).

2-(4-Fluorophenyl)-4,5-diphenyl-1*H*-imidazole (3e, C₂₁H₁₅FN₂)³



Prepared according to the procedure given for **3a**, using 4-fluorobenzaldehyde (53.63 μ L, 0.5 mmol) obtained as a white solid (126.24 mg, 80%). Mp 189-190 °C;

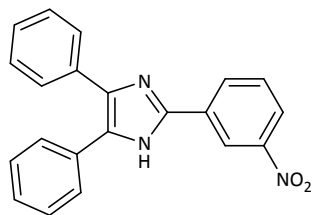
ν_{max} (neat, cm^{-1}): 3423 (N-H), 3028 (C-H), 2794, 1608 (C=N), 1492 (C=C), 1220 (C-N), 1159 (C-F);

^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- D_6): 12.72 (s, 1H), 8.16-8.12 (dd, $J = 8.66$ Hz, 5.50 Hz, 2H), 7.57-7.55 (d, $J = 7.32$ Hz, 2H), 7.52-7.50 (d, $J = 7.24$ Hz, 2H), 7.46-7.42 (t, $J = 7.42$ Hz, 2H), 7.39-7.37 (d, $J = 7.16$ Hz, 1H), 7.35-7.28 (m, 4H), 7.24-7.20 (t, $J = 7.22$ Hz, 1H),;

^{13}C (100 MHz, DMSO- D_6): 163.4, 160.9, 144.7, 137.1, 135.1, 131.1, 128.7, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 127.8, 127.4, 127.3, 127.1, 127.1, 127.0, 126.6, 115.8, 115.6;

ESI-MS (m/z): 315.1533 (100) $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$, 316.1569 (24).

2-(3-Nitrophenyl)-4,5-diphenyl-1*H*-imidazole (3f, C₂₁H₁₅N₃O₂)^{3,4}



Prepared according to the procedure given for **3a**, using 3-nitrobenzaldehyde (75.56 mg, 0.5 mmol) obtained as a yellow solid (129.61 mg, 76%). Mp 315-317 °C;

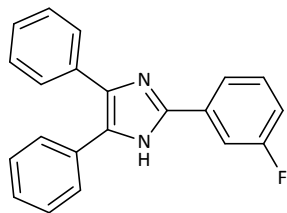
ν_{max} (neat, cm⁻¹): 3396 (N-H), 3057 (C-H), 2860, 1601 (C=N), 1521 (N-O), 1347, 1480 (C=C), 1416, 1252 (C-N), 1071j;

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-D₆): 13.09 (s, 1H), 8.96 (s, 1H), 8.53-8.51 (d, J = 7.76 Hz, 1H), 8.22-8.20 (d, J = 8.08 Hz, 1H), 7.80-7.76 (t, J = 7.98 Hz, 1H), 7.56-7.54 (d, J = 7.20 Hz, 4H), 7.38 (m, 6H);

¹³C (100 MHz, DMSO-D₆): 148.4, 143.4, 137.7, 134.8, 131.8, 131.2, 130.7, 130.4, 129.2, 128.7, 128.4, 128.3, 128.1, 127.2, 126.8, 122.6, 119.4;

ESI-MS (m/z): 364.1623 (100) [M+Na]⁺, 365.1659 (25).

2-(3-Fluorophenyl)-4,5-diphenyl-1H-imidazole (3g, C₂₁H₁₅FN₂)⁵



Prepared according to the procedure given for **3a**, using 3-fluorobenzaldehyde (53.04 μ L, 0.5 mmol) obtained as a white solid (111.48 mg, 71%). Mp 284-285 °C;

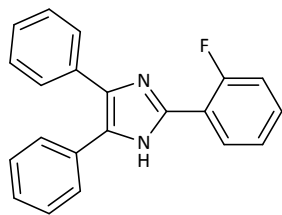
ν_{max} (neat, cm^{-1}): 3434 (N-H), 3056 (C-H), 2970, 1618 (C=N), 1588 (C=C), 1483, 1220 (C-N), 1072 (C-F);

^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- D_6): 12.79 (s, 1H), 7.97-7.95 (d, $J = 7.84$ Hz, 1H), 7.92-7.89 (d, $J = 10.23$ Hz, 1H), 7.58-7.49 (m, 5H), 7.45 (m, 2H), 7.40-7.37 (m, 1H), 7.31 (m, 2H), 7.25-7.18 (m, 2H);

^{13}C (100 MHz, DMSO- D_6): 163.7, 161.3, 144.3, 144.2, 137.4, 134.9, 132.7, 132.6, 130.9, 130.8, 130.7, 128.6, 128.4, 128.2, 127.9, 127.1, 126.6, 121.2, 121.2, 114.9, 114.7, 111.8, 111.5;

ESI-MS (m/z): 337.1488 (100) $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$, 338.1528 (24), 315.1644 (25).

2-(2-Fluorophenyl)-4,5-diphenyl-1H-imidazole (3h, C₂₁H₁₅FN₂)⁵



Prepared according to the procedure given for **3a**, using 2-fluorobenzaldehyde (52.68 μ L, 0.5 mmol) obtained as a white solid (80.52 mg, 51%). Mp 238-240 °C;

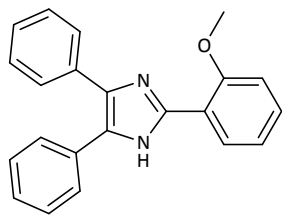
ν_{max} (neat, cm^{-1}): 3457 (N-H), 3058 (C-H), 1602 (C=N), 1484 (C=C), 1470, 1441, 1253 (C-N), 1101;

^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- D_6): 12.53 (s, 1H), 8.03-7.99 (t, $J = 7.70$ Hz, 1H), 7.53-7.49 (m, 4H), 7.47-7.44 (t, $J = 6.60$ Hz, 1H), 7.38-7.32 (m, 8H);

^{13}C (100 MHz, DMSO- D_6): 160.1, 157.6, 140.9, 140.9, 137.3, 135.0, 130.9, 130.5, 130.4, 129.7, 129.7, 128.6, 128.6, 128.2, 127.9, 127.2, 126.6, 124.7, 124.7, 118.8, 118.6, 116.4, 116.2;

ESI-MS (m/z): 337.1273 (100) $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$, 338.1314 (24).

2-(2-Methoxyphenyl)-4,5-diphenyl-1*H*-imidazole (3i, C₂₂H₁₈N₂O)²



Prepared according to the procedure given for **3a**, using 2-methoxybenzaldehyde (60.40 μ L, 0.5 mmol) obtained as a white solid (70.63 mg, 43%). Mp 225-226 $^{\circ}$ C;

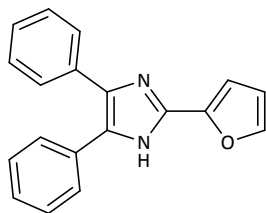
ν_{max} (neat, cm^{-1}): 3431 (N-H), 3186 (C-H), 3065, 2840, 1601 (C=N), 1585, 1481 (C=C), 1470, 1251 (C-N), 1100 (C-O-C);

^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- D_6): 11.87 (s, 1H), 8.06-8.04 (dd, $J = 7.72$ Hz, 1.24 Hz, 1H), 7.54-7.52 (d, $J = 7.52$ Hz, 2H), 7.49-7.47 (m, 2H), 7.44-7.41 (t, $J = 7.42$ Hz, 2H), 7.38-7.35 (m, 2H), 7.31-7.27 (t, $J = 7.27$ Hz, 2H), 7.23-7.19 (m, 1H), 7.17-7.15 (d, $J = 8.32$ Hz, 1H), 7.09-7.05 (t, $J = 7.46$ Hz, 1H), 3.92 (s, 3H);

^{13}C (100 MHz, DMSO- D_6): 156.0, 143.2, 136.4, 135.3, 131.2, 129.7, 128.8, 128.6, 128.5, 128.1, 127.6, 127.4, 127.1, 126.4, 120.6, 118.9, 111.6; 55.6;

ESI-MS (m/z): 325.1070 (100) $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$, 326.1105 (26).

2-(2-Furan-2-yl)-4,5-diphenyl-1H-imidazole (3j, C₁₉H₁₄N₂O)⁶



Prepared according to the procedure given for **3a**, using furfural (41.42 μ L, 0.5 mmol) obtained as a brown solid (62.21 mg, 32%). Mp 228-230 $^{\circ}$ C;

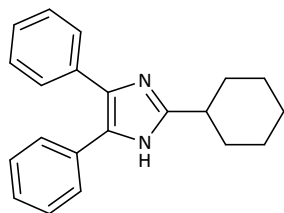
ν_{max} (neat, cm^{-1}): 3396 (N-H), 3025 (C-H), 1602 (C=N), 1445 (C=C), 1014 (C-N);

^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- D_6): 12.80 (s, 1H), 7.80 (d, $J = 1.04$ Hz, 1H), 7.53-7.47 (m, 4H), 7.44-7.40 (t, $J = 7.36$ Hz, 2H), 7.38-7.34 (t, $J = 7.12$ Hz, 1H), 7.31-7.28 (t, $J = 7.44$ Hz, 2H), 7.24-7.20 (t, $J = 7.24$ Hz, 1H), 6.98-6.97 (d, $J = 3.08$ Hz, 1H), 6.65-6.64 (dd, $J = 3.36$ Hz, 1.76 Hz, 1H);

^{13}C (100 MHz, DMSO- D_6): 145.7, 143.0, 138.5, 136.9, 134.9, 130.8, 128.6, 128.3, 128.1, 127.8, 127.5, 127.1, 126.6, 111.8, 107.4;

ESI-MS (m/z): 309.0824 (100) $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$, 310.0858 (22), 287.1017 (53).

2-(Cyclohexyl)-4,5-diphenyl-1*H*-imidazole (3k, C₂₁H₂₂N₂)²



Prepared according to the procedure given for **3a**, using cyclohexanecarboxaldehyde (60.57 μ L, 0.5 mmol) obtained as a brown solid (39.26 mg, 26%). Mp 243-244 °C;

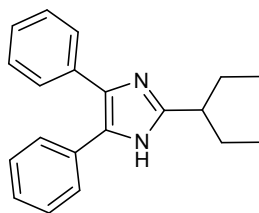
ν_{max} (neat, cm^{-1}): 3392 (N-H), 3031, 2929, 2848 (C-H), 1603 (C=N), 1448 (C=C), 1426, 1182 (C-N);

^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- D_6): 11.91 (s, 1H), 7.49-7.47 (d, $J = 7.40$ Hz, 2H), 7.41-7.35 (m, 4H), 7.30-7.23 (m, 3H), 7.18-7.14 (m, 1H), 2.74-2.67 (m, 1H), 1.99-1.95 (m, 2H), 1.81-1.78 (m, 2H), 1.70-1.67 (m, 1H), 1.65-1.55 (m, 2H), 1.41-1.20 (m, 3H);

^{13}C (100 MHz, DMSO- D_6): 152.3, 135.8, 134.9, 131.6, 128.5, 127.9, 127.8, 127.1, 126.9, 125.9, 125.7, 37.2, 31.5, 25.7, 25.6;

ESI-MS (m/z): 303.2005 (100) $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$, 304.2094 (25).

2-(pentyl-3-yl)-4,5-diphenyl-1*H*-imidazole (3l, C₂₀H₂₂N₂)⁷



Prepared according to the procedure given for **3a**, using 2-ethylbutyraldehyde (61.52 μ L, 0.5 mmol) obtained as a white solid (30.86 mg, 21%). Mp 241-243 °C;

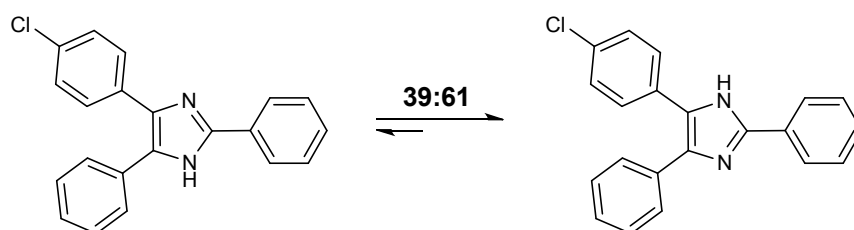
ν_{max} (neat, cm^{-1}): 3140(N-H), 3066, 3031, 2872, 29259, 2928 (C-H), 1062 (C=N), 1449 (C=C), 1428, 1188 (C-N);

^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- D_6): 11.96 (s, 1H), 7.50-7.48 (d, $J = 7.48$ Hz, 2H), 7.42-7.35 (m, 4H), 7.31-7.23 (m, 3H), 7.18-7.14 (m, 1H), 2.62-2.55 (m, 1H), 1.77-1.63 (m, 4H), 0.85-0.81 (t, $J = 7.28$, 6H);

^{13}C (100 MHz, DMSO- D_6): 151.3, 135.8, 135.2, 131.7, 129.6, 129.5, 128.6, 128.1, 127.8, 127.1, 127.0, 126.1, 125.7, 42.3, 26.8, 12.1;

ESI-MS (m/z): 291.2007 (100) $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$, 292.2039 (23).

4-(4-Chlorophenyl)-2,5-diphenyl-1*H*-imidazole : 5-(4-Chlorophenyl)-2,4-diphenyl-1*H*-imidazole (30, C₂₁H₁₅ClN₂)²



Prepared according to the procedure given for **3a**, using 4-chloro-2-phenylacetophenone (115.30 mg, 0.5 mmol) obtained as a white solid (111.20 mg, 67%). Mp 241-243 °C;

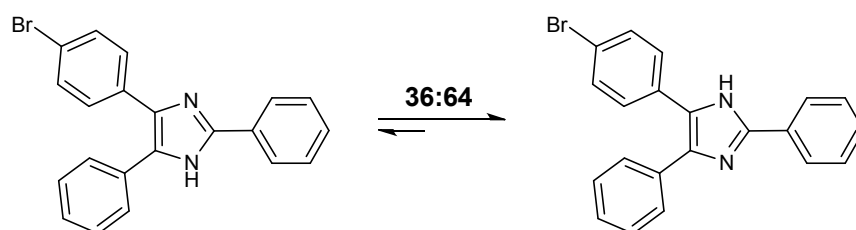
$\nu_{\max}$ (neat, cm⁻¹): 3413 (N-H), 3054 (C-H), 1601 (C=N), 1501 (C=C), 1486, 1461, 1406, 1093 (C-N), 768 (C-Cl), 692;

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-D₆): 12.75-12.72 (s, 1H), 8.10-8.08 (d, *J* = 7.56 Hz, 2H), 7.58-7.44 (m, 8H), 7.41-7.23 (m, 4H);

¹³C (100 MHz, DMSO-D₆): 145.8, 145.6, 137.7, 135.7, 134.9, 133.9, 132.2, 130.9, 130.8, 130.2, 130.1, 129.9, 129.8, 128.7, 128.6, 128.5, 128.5, 128.3, 128.2, 128.2, 127.9, 127.2, 126.9, 126.7, 125.2, 125.2;

ESI-MS (*m/z*): calcd for C₂₁H₁₅ClN₂ 330.0924, found 331.1006 [M+H]⁺.

4-(4-Bromophenyl)-2,5-diphenyl-1*H*-imidazole : 5-(4-Bromophenyl)-2,4-diphenyl-1*H*-imidazole (3p**, C₂₁H₁₅BrN₂)²**



Prepared according to the procedure given for **3a**, using 2-(4-bromophenyl)acetophenone (137.60 mg, 0.5 mmol) obtained as a white solid (135.10 mg, 72%). Mp 253-255 °C;

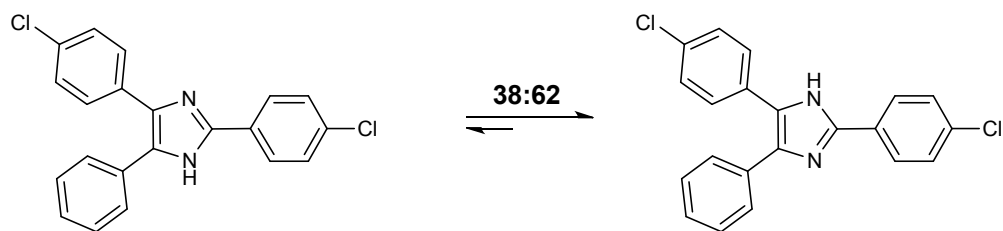
$\nu_{\max}$ (neat, cm⁻¹): 3408 (N-H), 3054 (C-H), 2780, 1598 (C=N), 1539, 1483 (C=C), 1403, 1010 (C-N), 604 (C-Br), 542;

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-D₆): 12.74-12.71 (s, 1H), 8.09-8.07 (d, 2H), 7.64-7.25 (m, 12H);

¹³C (100 MHz, DMSO-D₆): 145.9, 145.8, 137.8, 135.9, 134.9, 134.4, 131.6, 131.2, 130.8, 130.3, 130.2, 128.9, 128.8, 128.7, 128.6, 128.4, 128.4, 128.1, 127.3, 126.9, 126.8, 125.3, 120.8, 119.5;

ESI-MS (*m/z*): calcd for C₂₁H₁₅BrN₂ 374.0419, found 374.0492 [M]⁺.

2,4-Bis-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-phenyl-1*H*-imidazole : 2,5-Bis-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-phenyl-1*H*-imidazole (3q, C₂₁H₁₄Cl₂N₂)



Prepared according to the procedure given for **3a**, using 4-chloro-2-phenylacetophenone (115.30 mg, 0.5 mmol) and 4-chlorobenzaldehyde (70.29 mg, 0.5 mmol) obtained as a white solid (117.35 mg, 64%). Mp 250-252 °C;

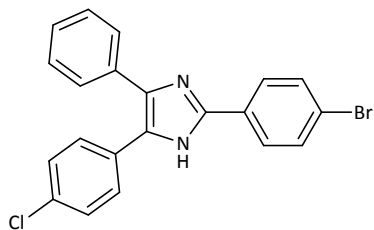
$\nu_{\max}$ (neat, cm⁻¹): 3419 (N-H), 3062 (C-H), 2827, 1600 (C=N), 1500, 1479 (C=C), 1446, 1088 (C-N), 606 (C-Cl), 557, 480;

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-D₆): 12.82-12.80 (s, 1H), 8.10-8.08 (d, *J* = 8.56 Hz, 2H), 7.56-7.24 (m, 11H);

¹³C (100 MHz, DMSO-D₆): 144.7, 144.6, 137.9, 135.9, 1348, 133.8, 132.9, 132.3, 131.0, 130.6, 129.9, 129.7, 129.0, 128.9, 128.7, 128.7, 128.5, 128.5, 128.3, 128.2, 128.0, 127.2, 127.2, 126.9, 126.8;

ESI-MS (*m/z*): calcd for C₂₁H₁₄Cl₂N₂ 364.0534, found 365.0616 [M+H]⁺.

2-(4-Bromophenyl)-5-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-phenyl-1*H*-imidazole (3r, C₂₁H₁₄BrClN₂)



Prepared according to the procedure given for **3a**, using 4-chloro-2-phenylacetophenone (115.30 mg, 0.5 mmol) and 4-bromobenzaldehyde (92.15 mg, 0.5 mmol) obtained as a white solid (139.16 mg, 68%). Mp 249-250 °C;

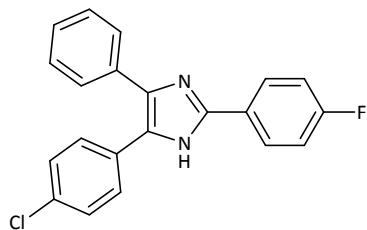
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¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-D₆): 12.82 (s, 1H), 8.04-8.02 (d, *J* = 8.52 Hz, 2H), 7.69-7.67 (d, *J* = 8.52 Hz, 2H), 7.55-7.50 (t, *J* = 8.38 Hz, 4H), 7.41 (m, 5H);

¹³C (100 MHz, DMSO-D₆): 144.8, 131.7, 129.4, 128.9, 128.5, 128.2, 127.2, 125.3, 121.6

ESI-MS (*m/z*): calcd for C₂₁H₁₄ClBrN₂ 408.0029, found 409.0110 [M+H]⁺.

5-(4-Chlorophenyl)-2-(4-fluorophenyl)-4-phenyl-1*H*-imidazole (3s, C₂₁H₁₄ClFN₂)



Prepared according to the procedure given for **3a**, using 4-chloro-2-phenylacetophenone (115.30 mg, 0.5 mmol) and 4-fluorobenzaldehyde (53.63 μ L, 0.5 mmol) obtained as a white solid (90.50, 52%). Mp 246-249 °C;

ν_{max} (neat, cm^{-1}): 3435 (N-H), 3067 (C-H), 2949, 2786, 1606 (C=N), 1503, 1488 (C=C), 1447, 1222 (C-F), 1091 (C-N), 774 (C-Cl), 698, 623;

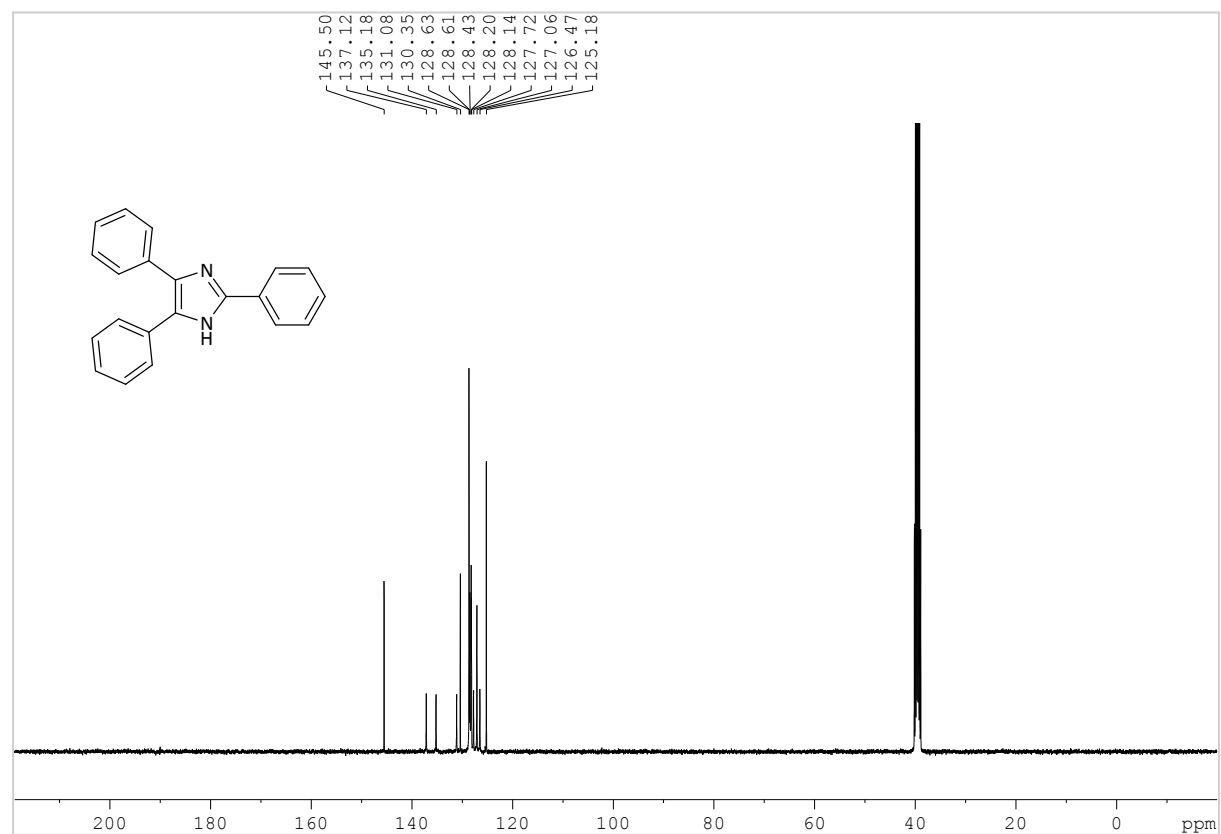
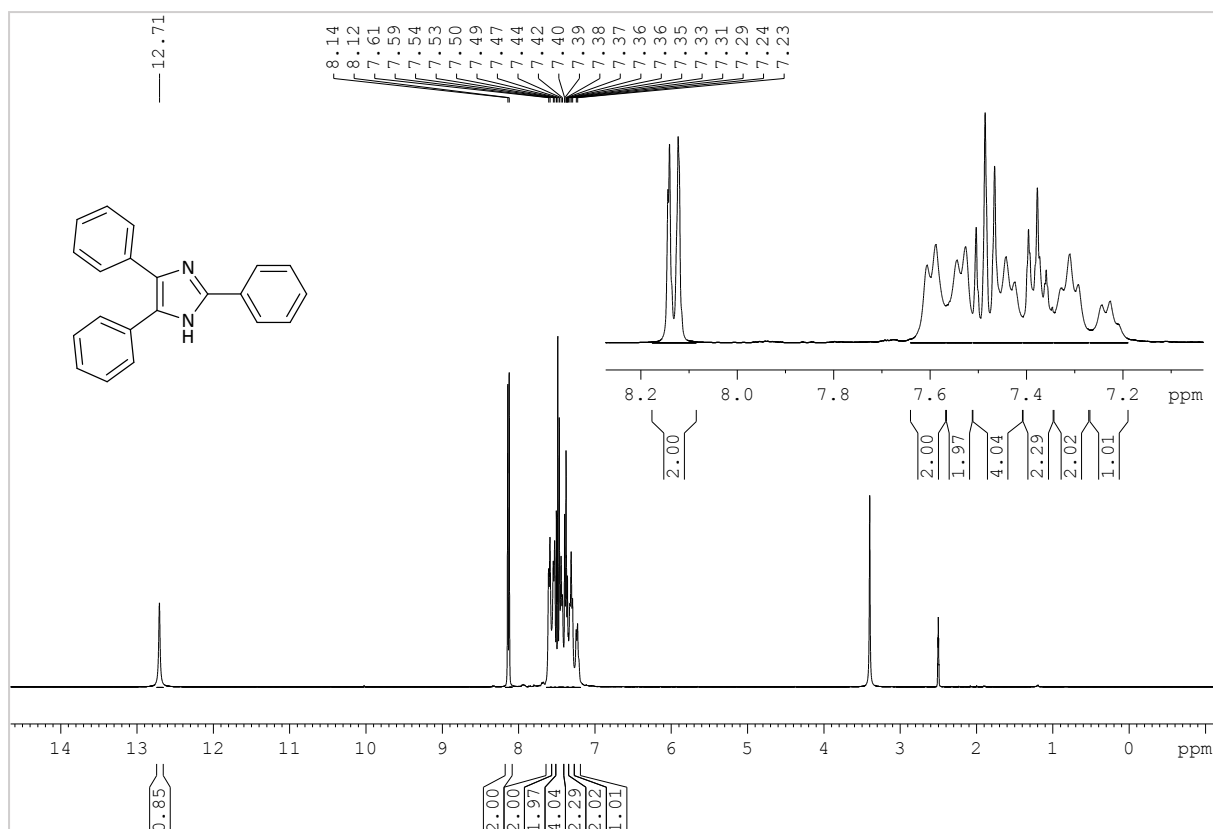
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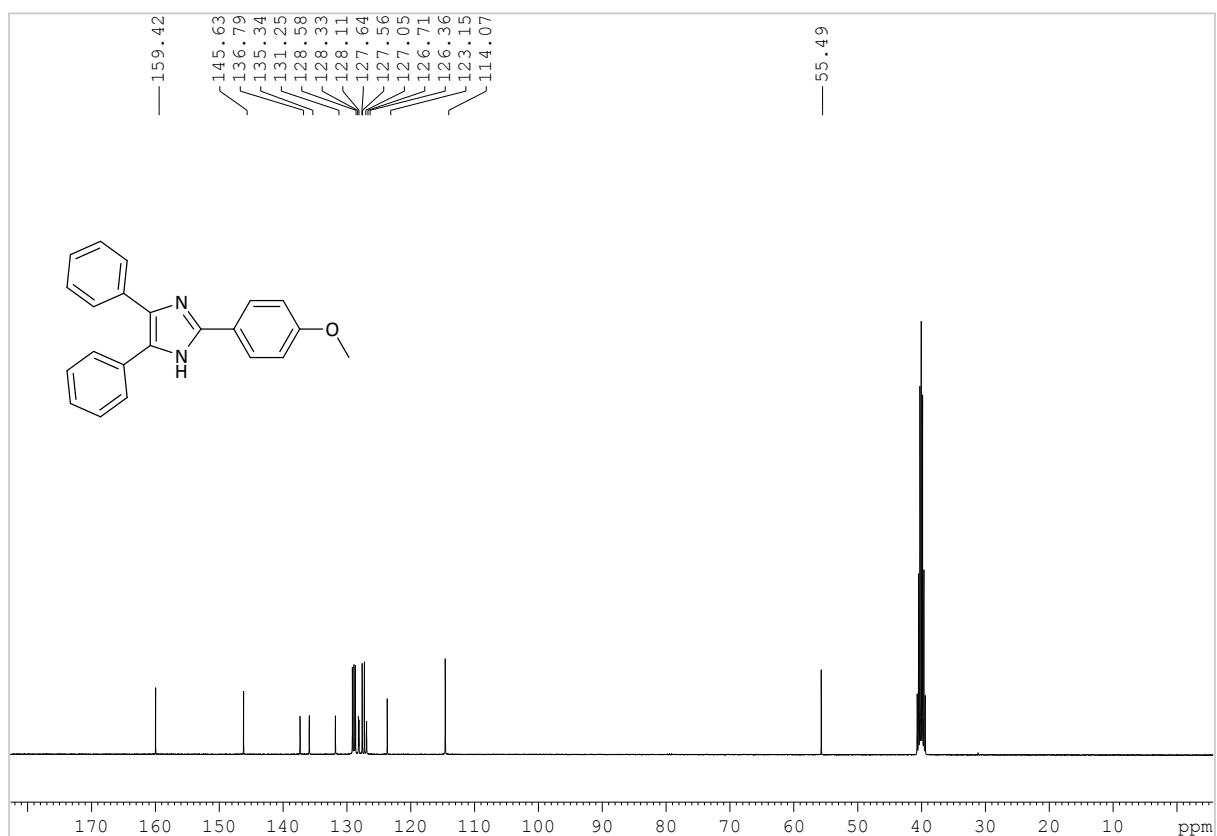
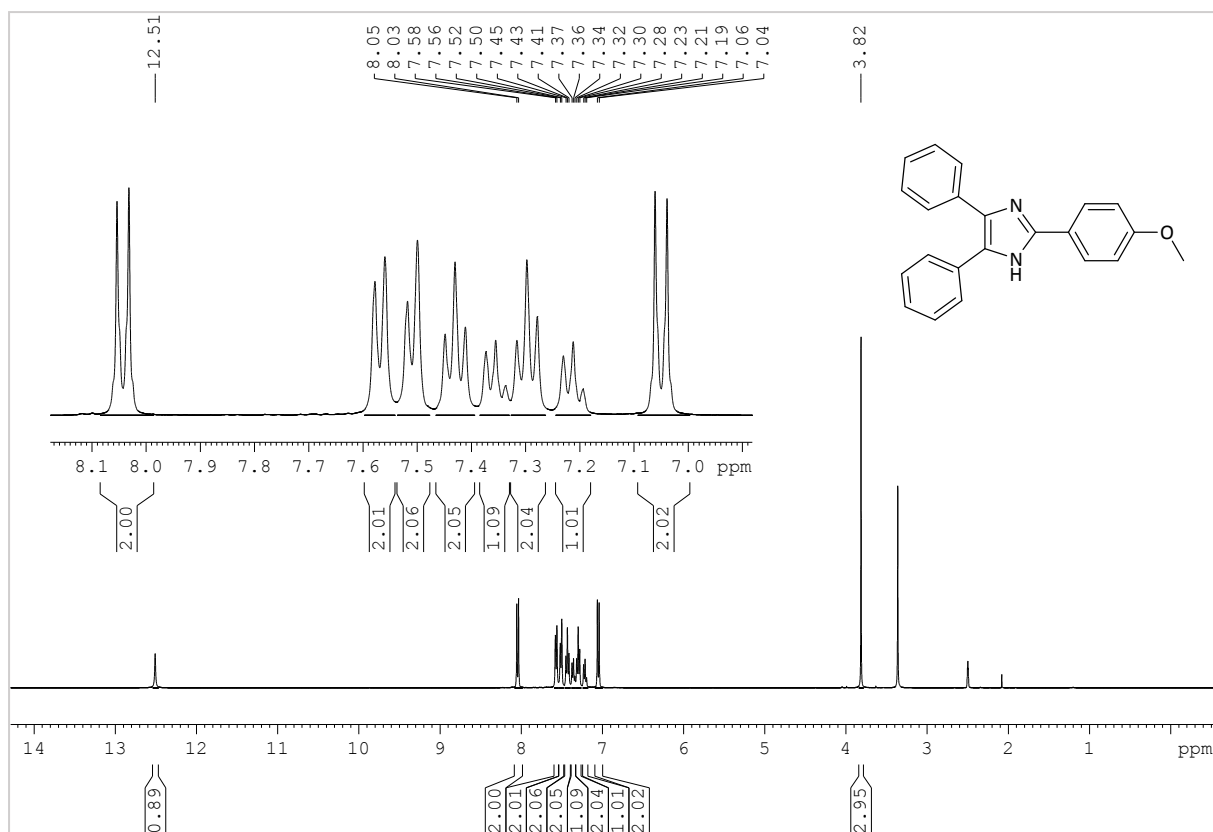
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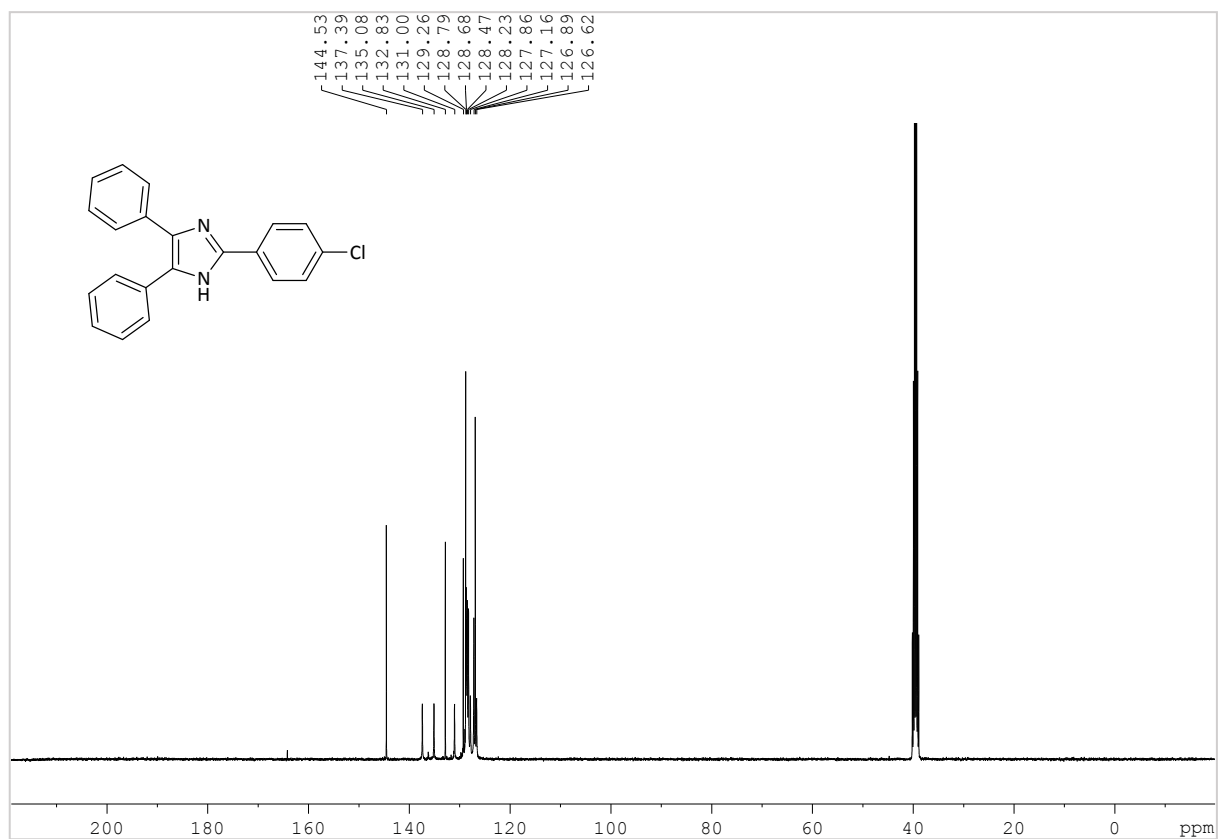
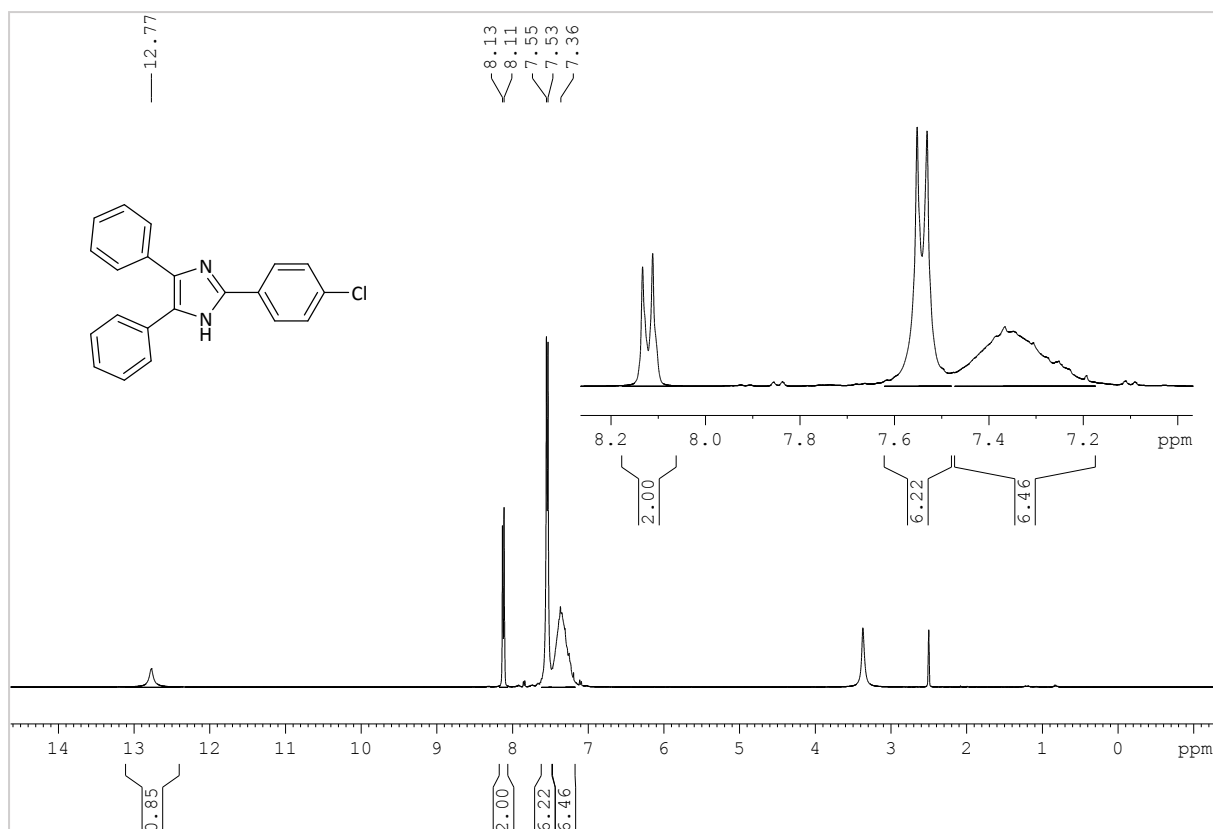
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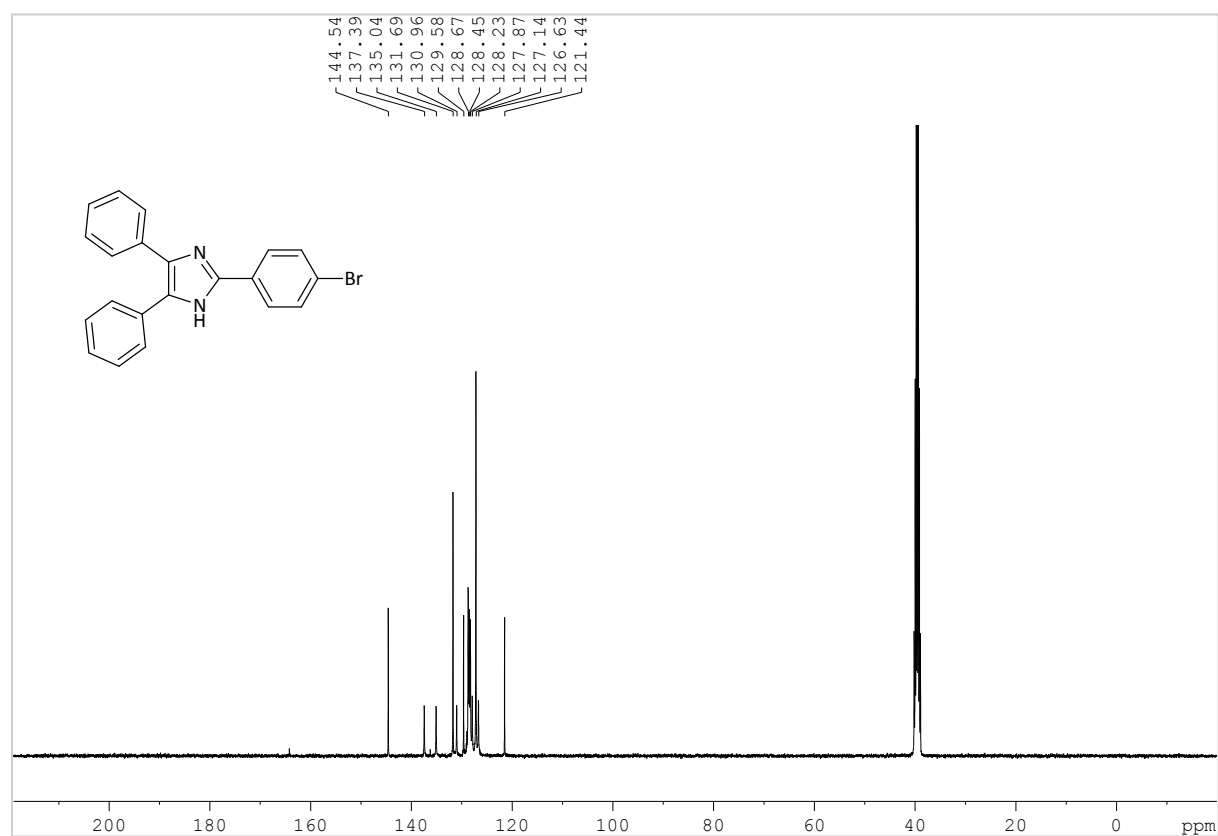
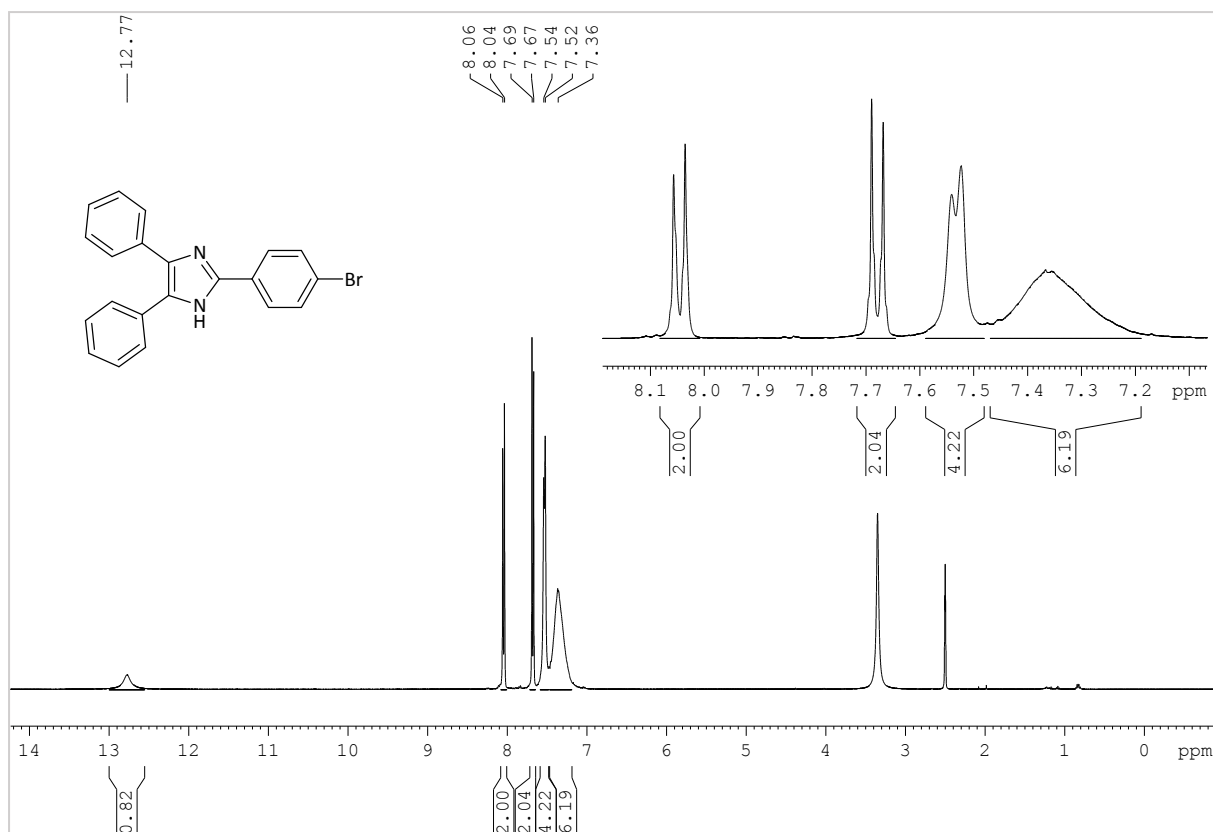
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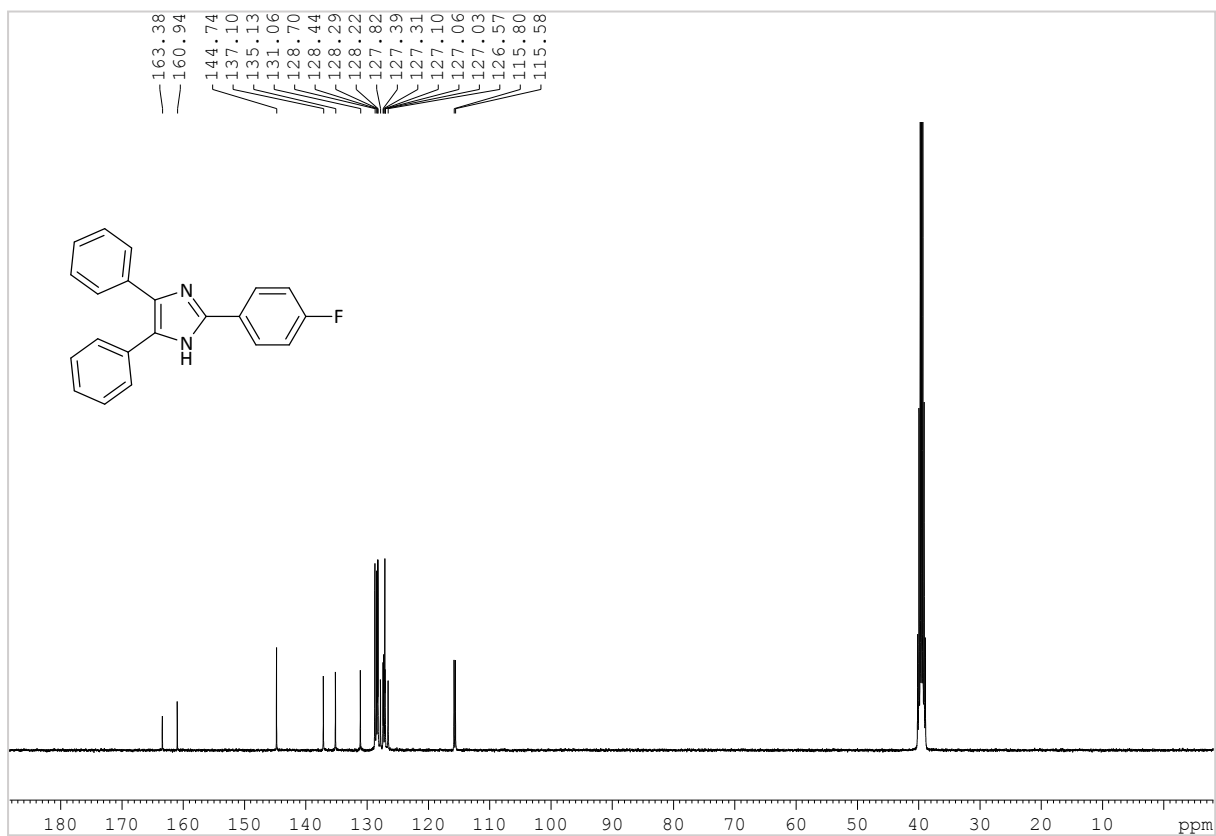
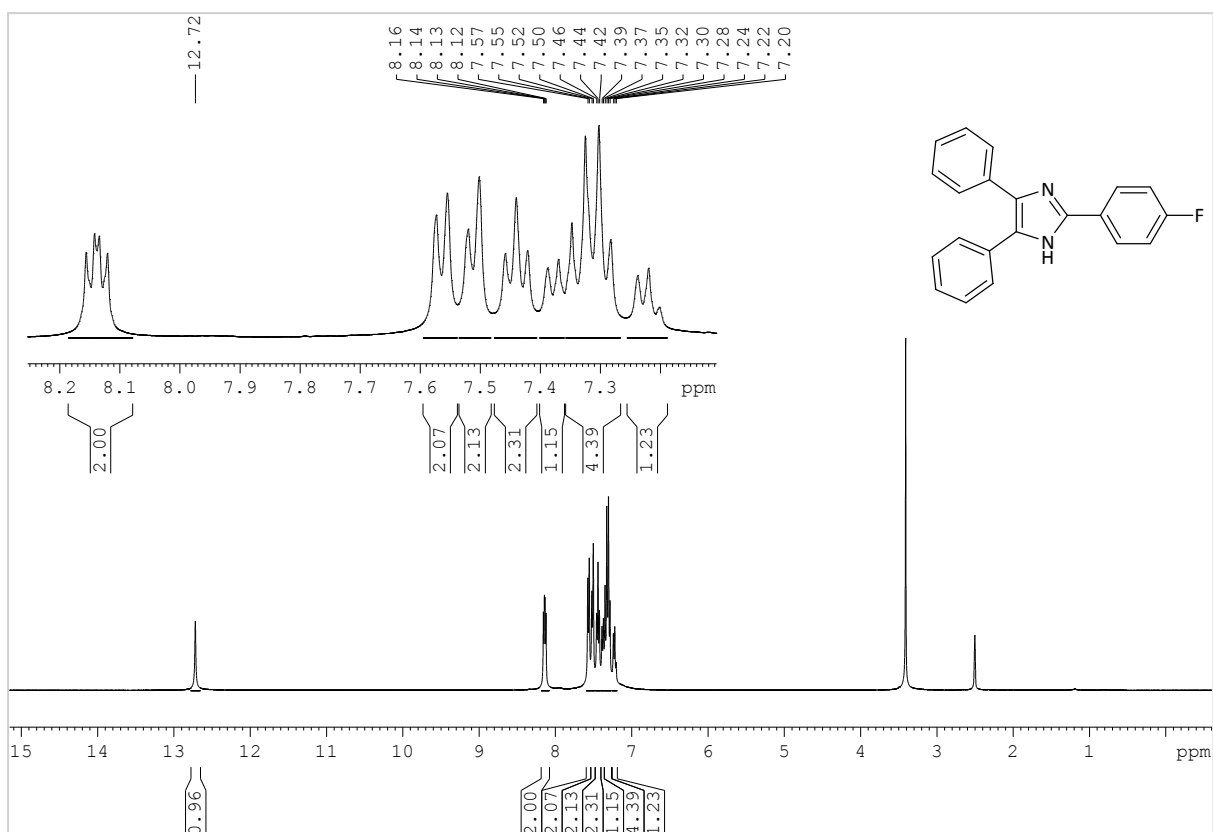
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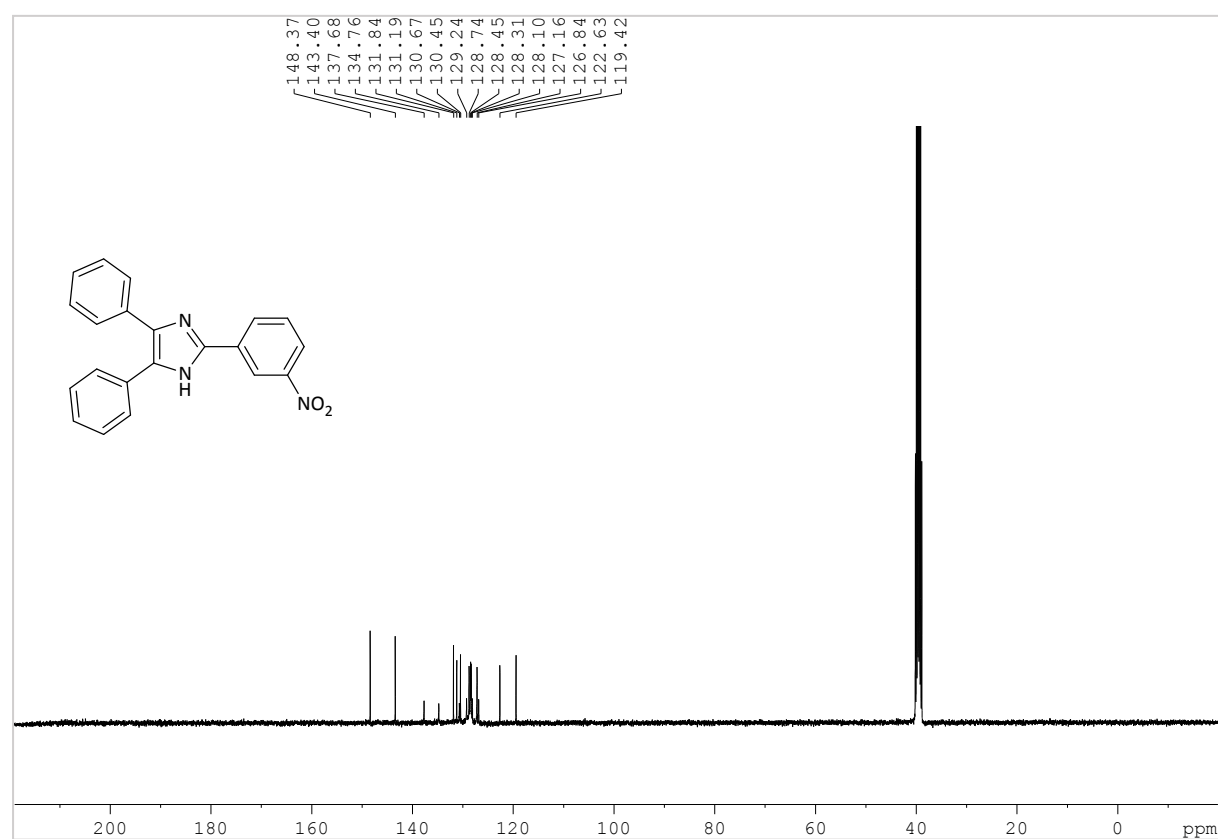
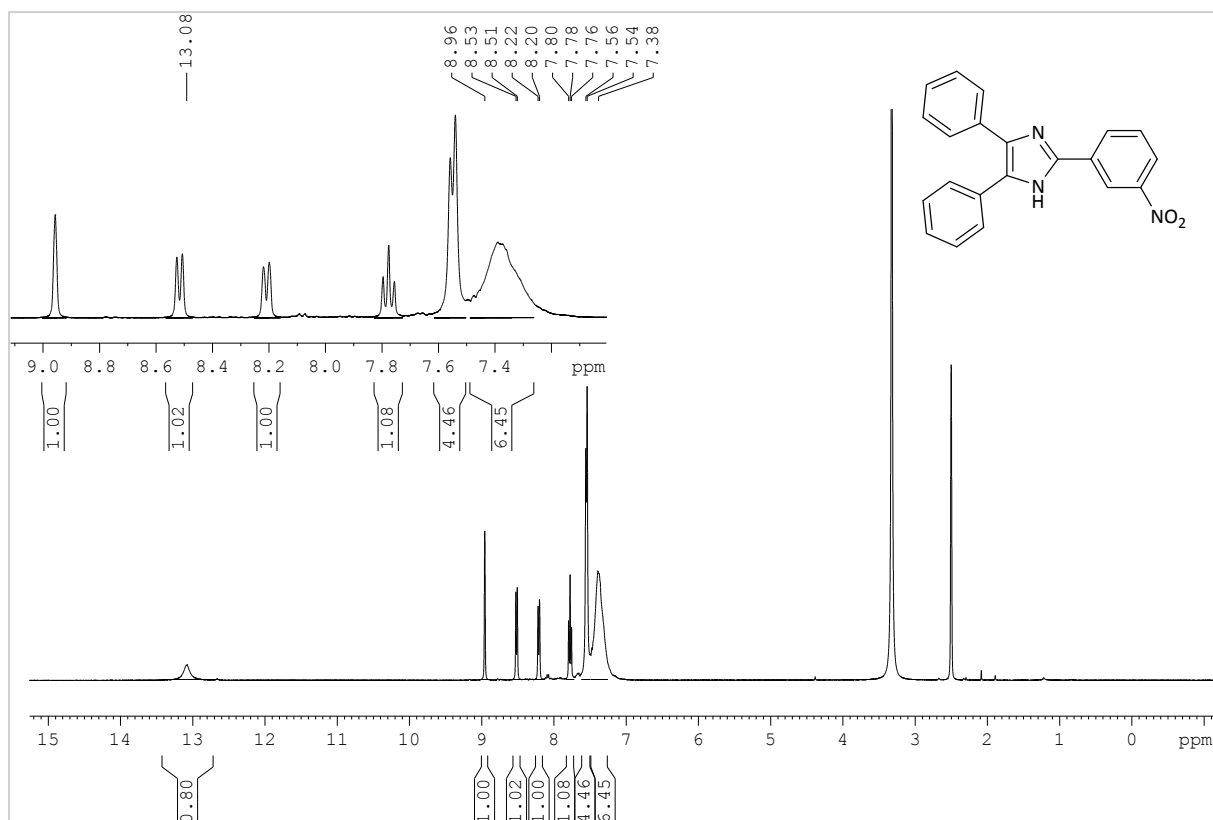


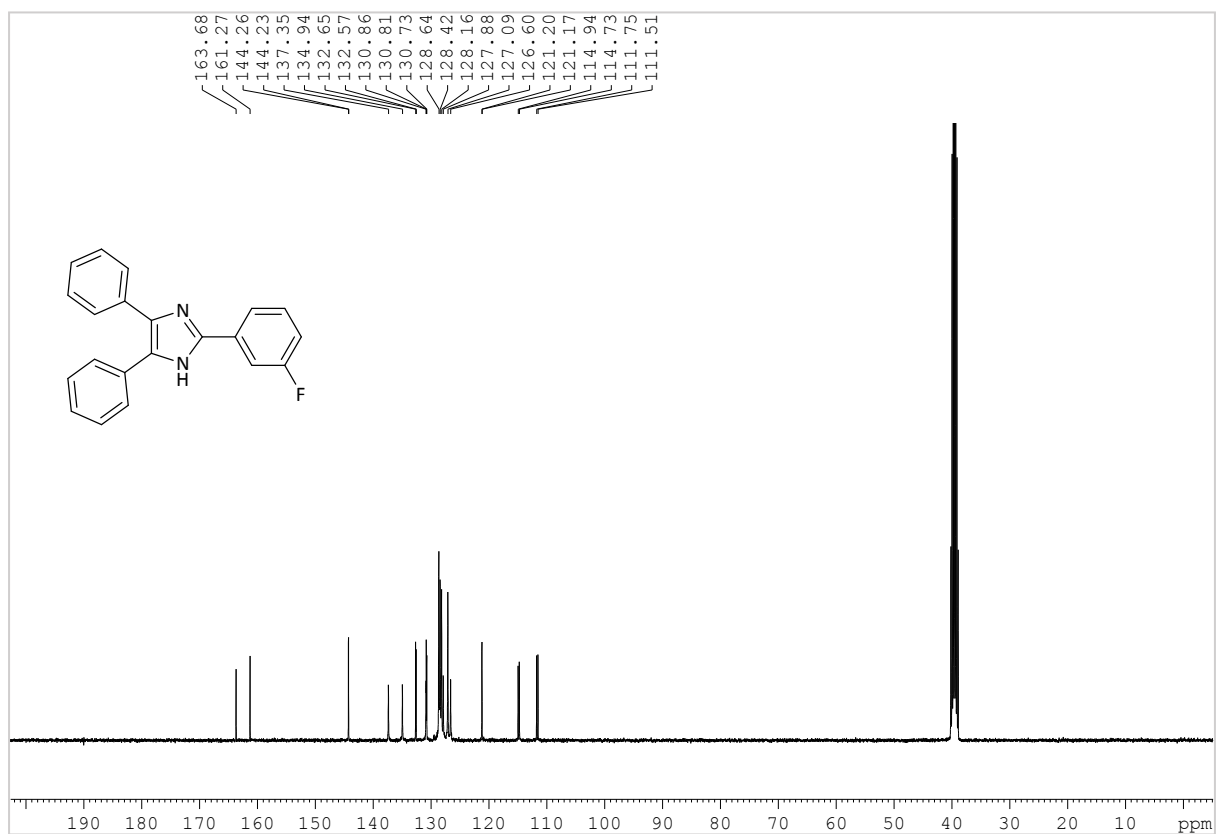
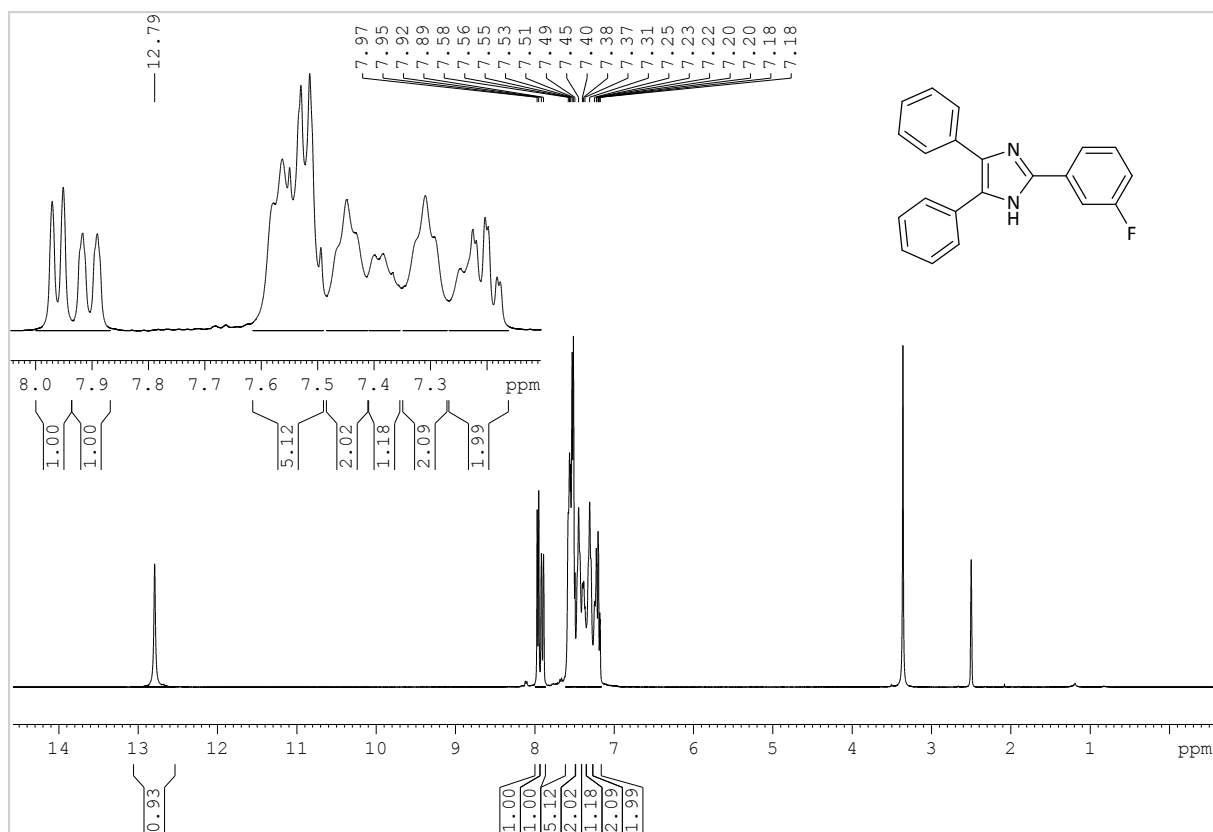


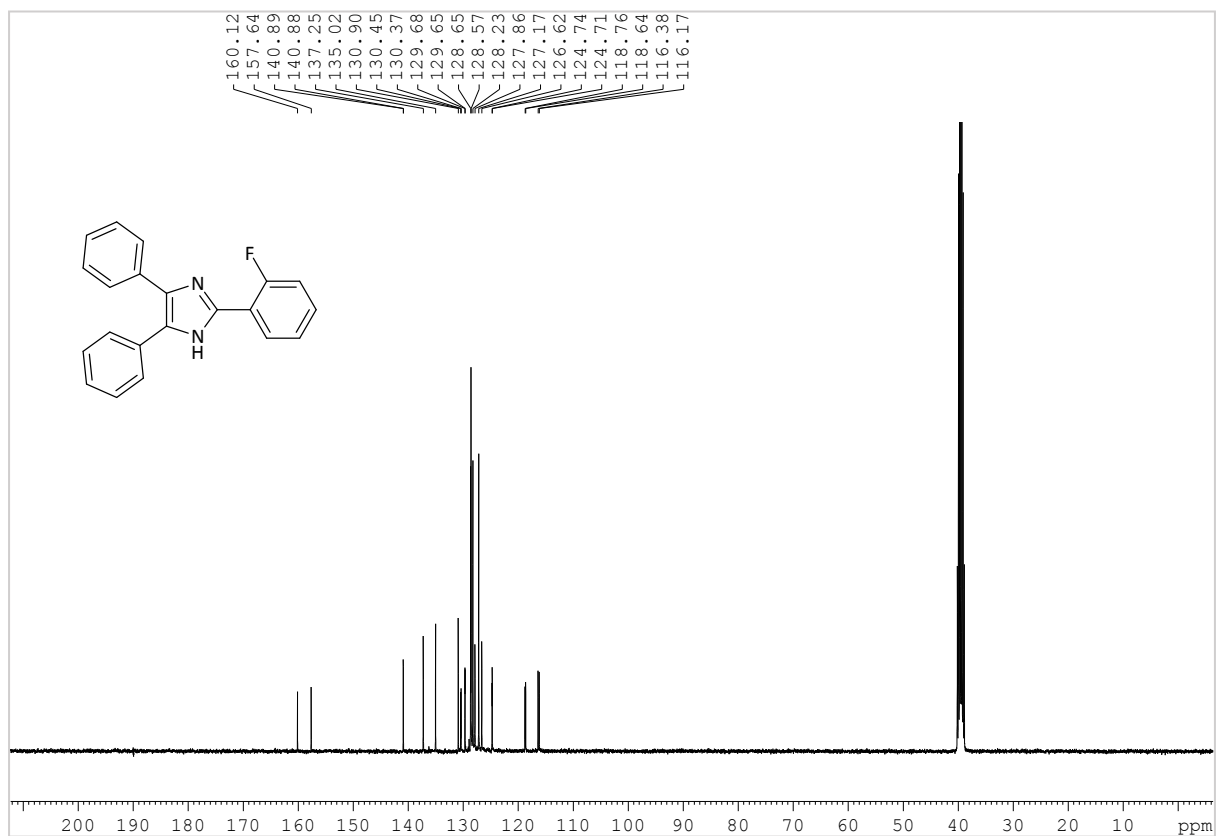
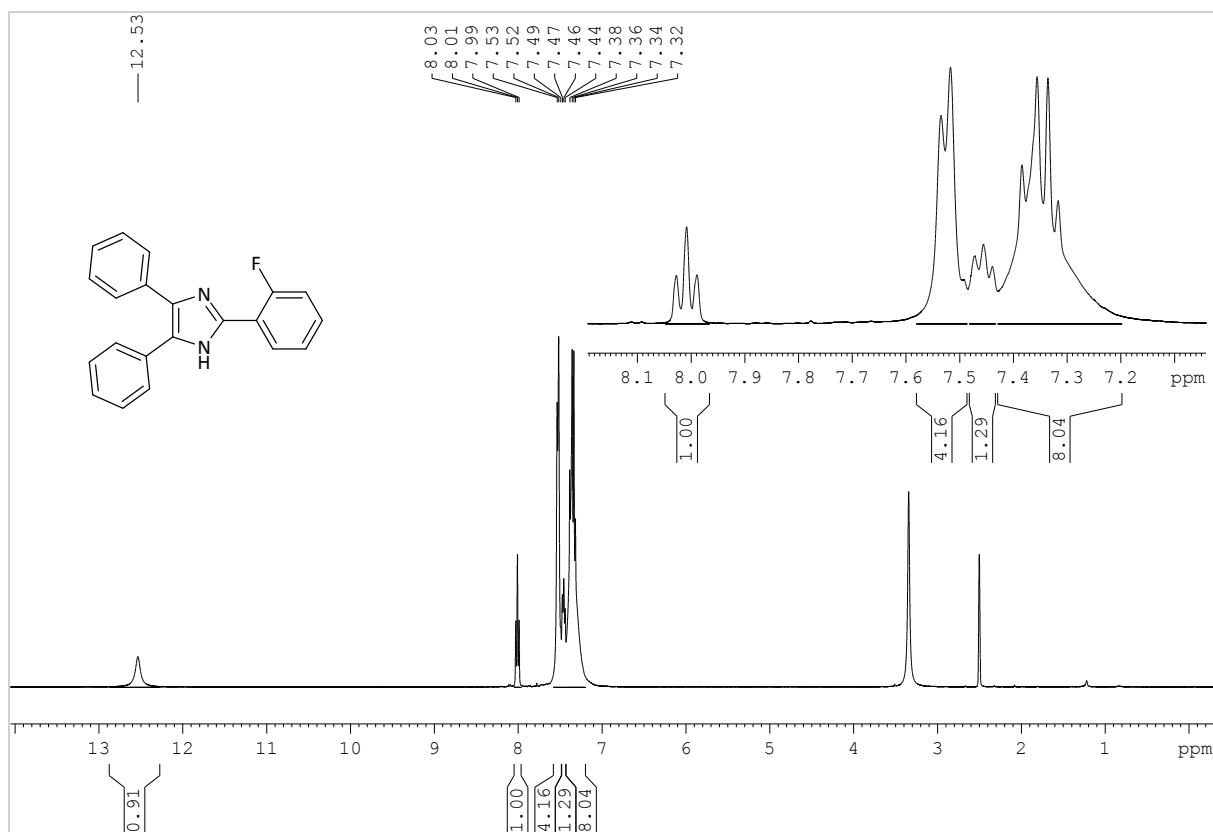


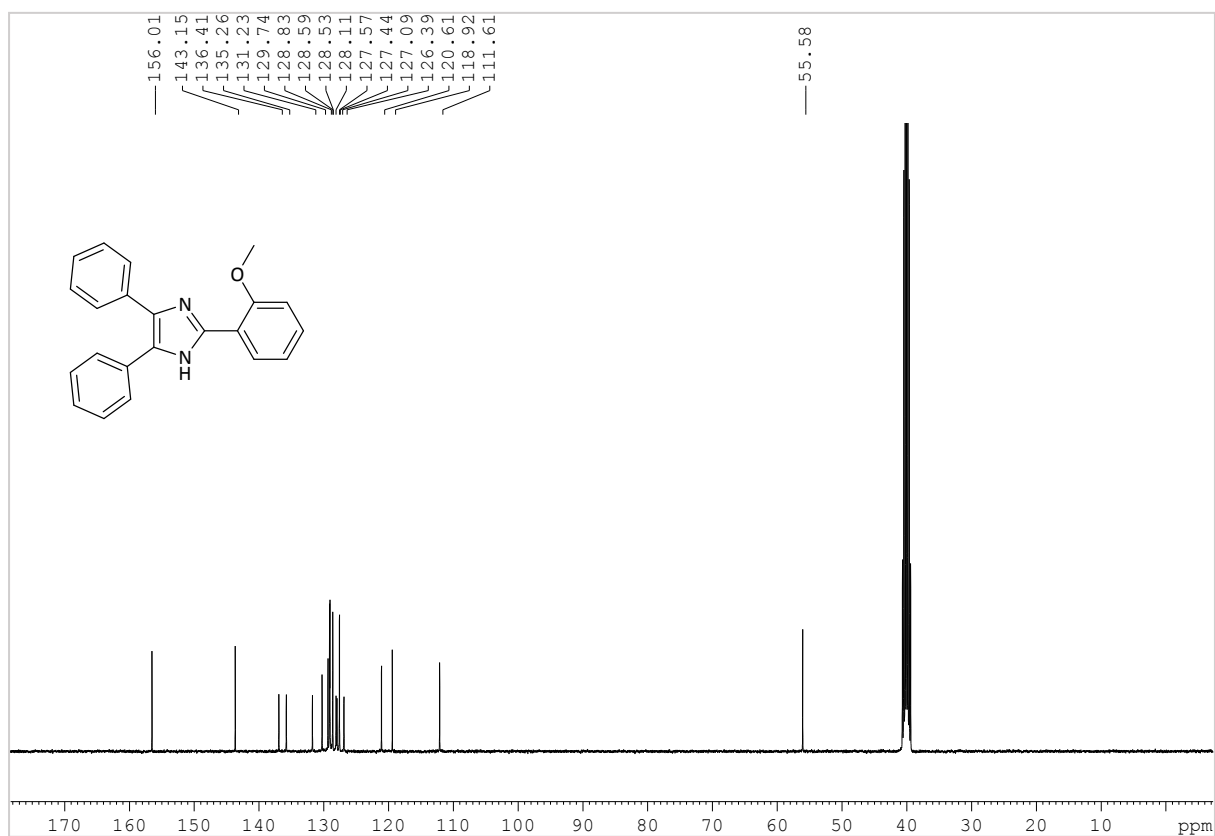
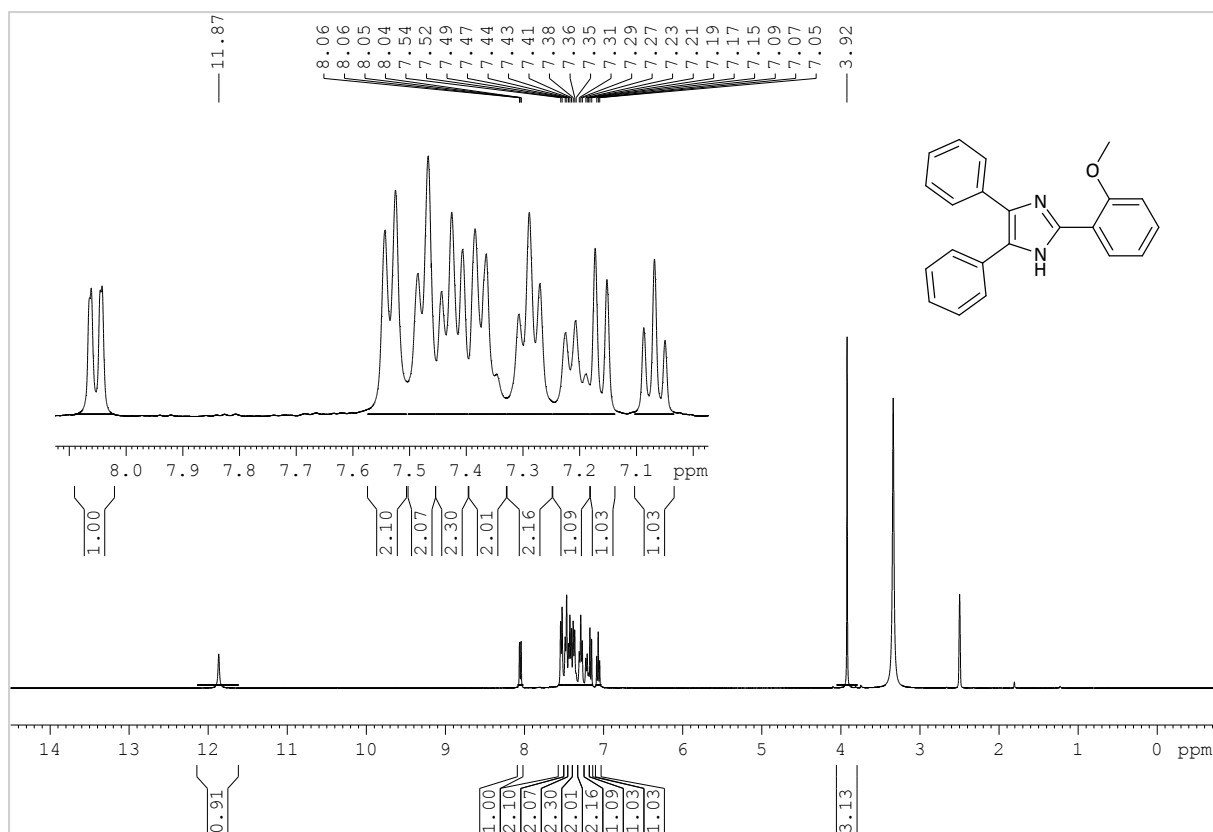


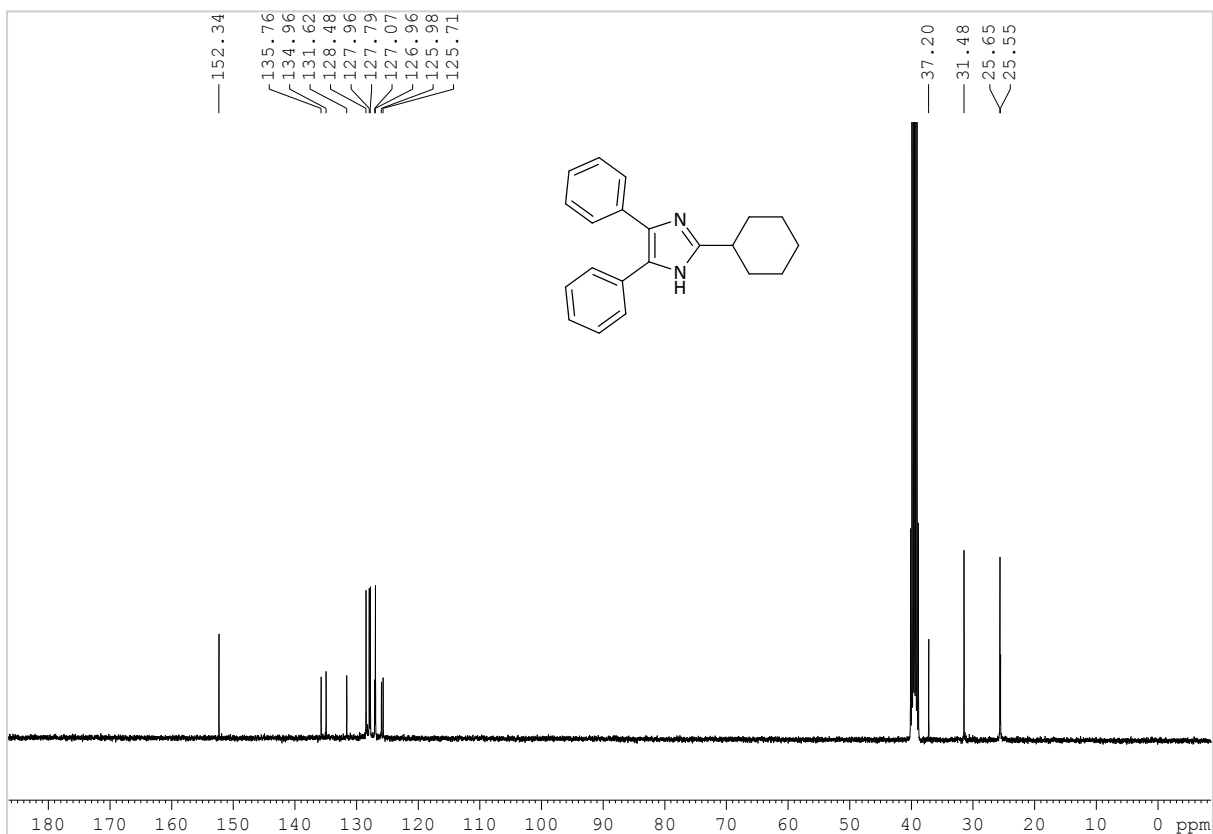
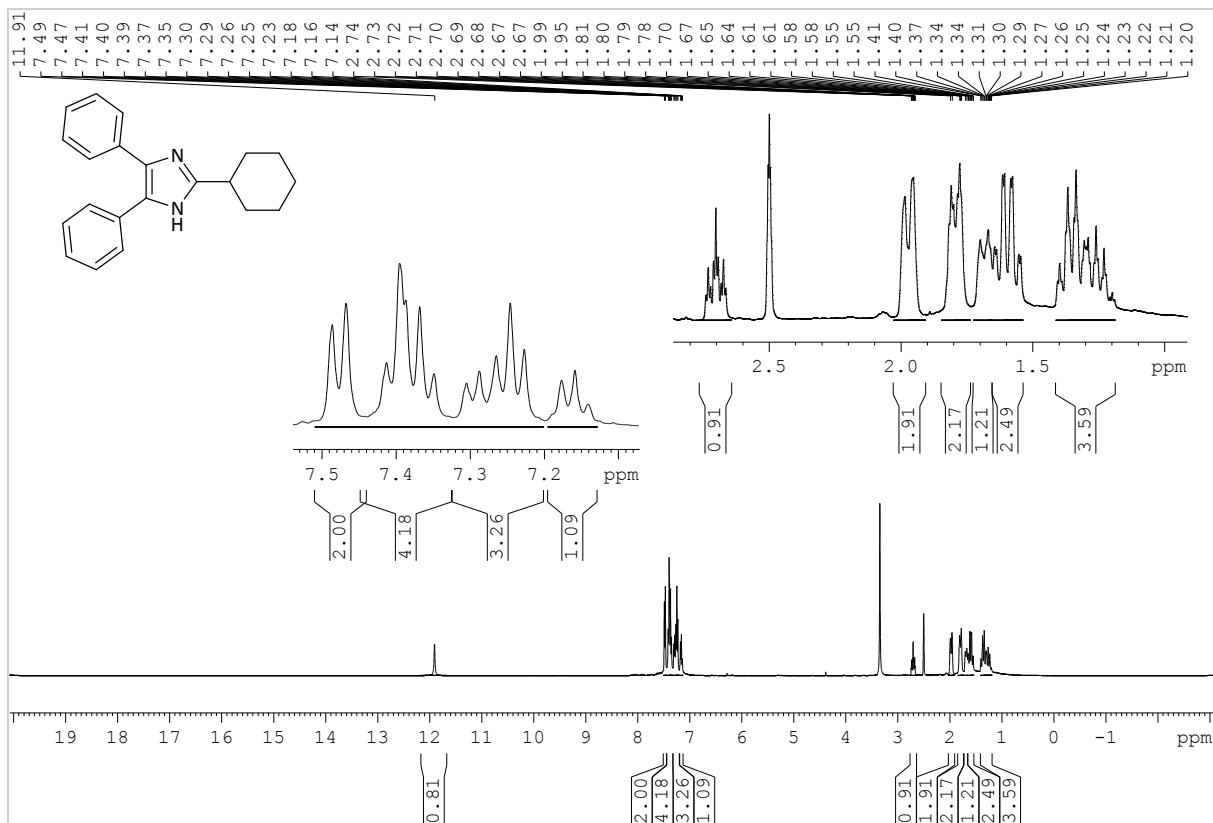


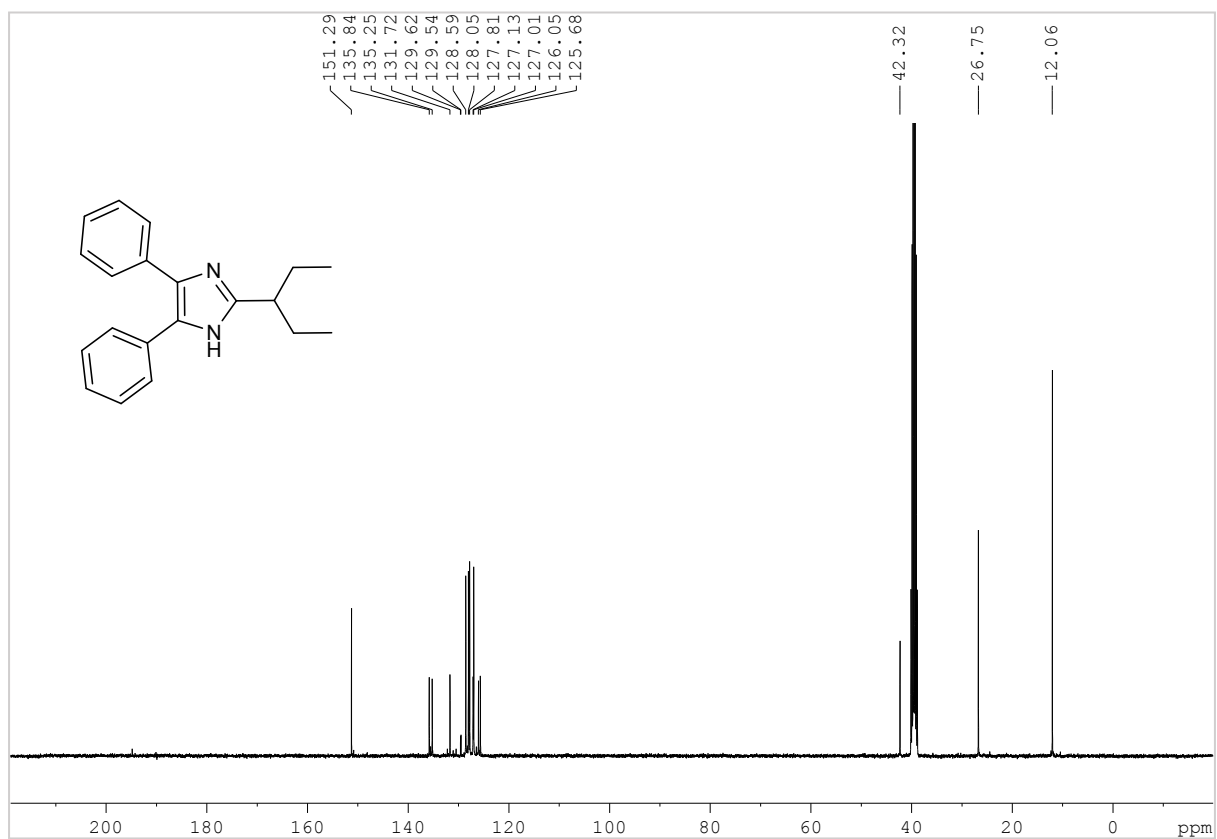
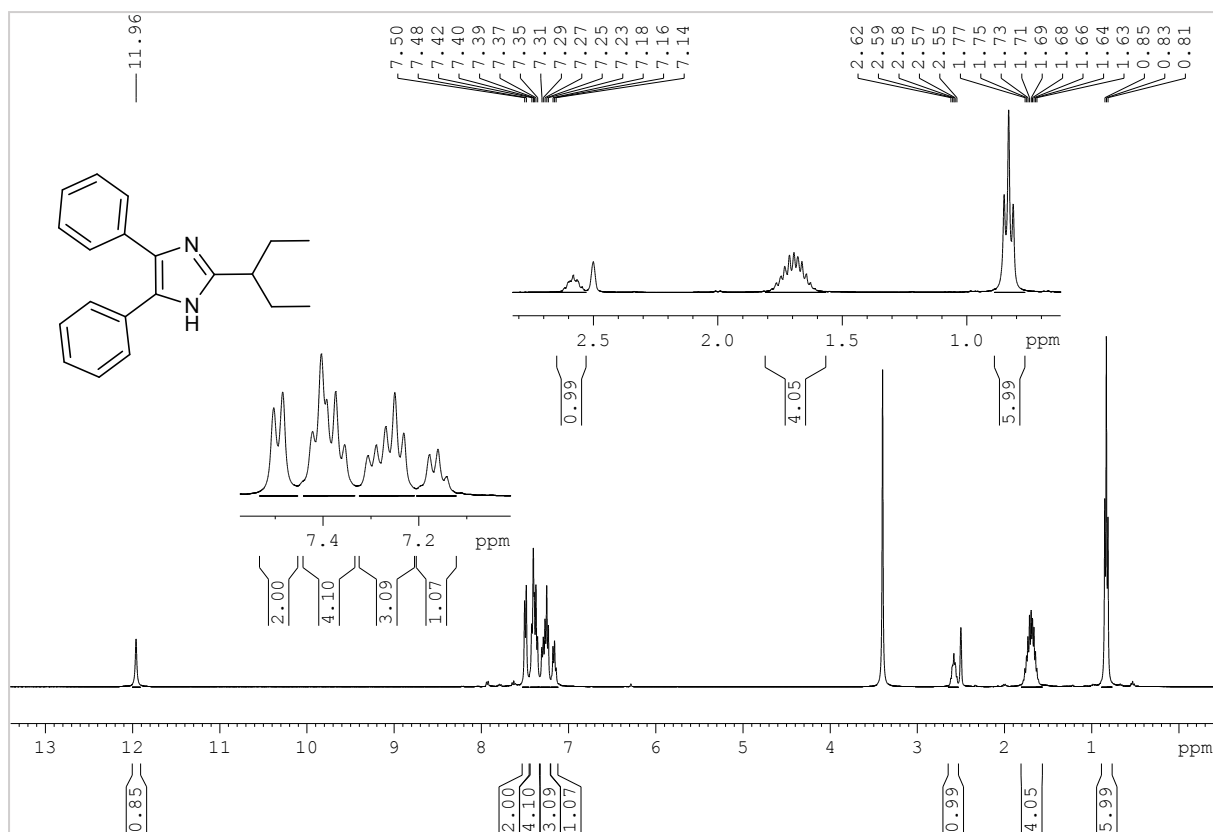


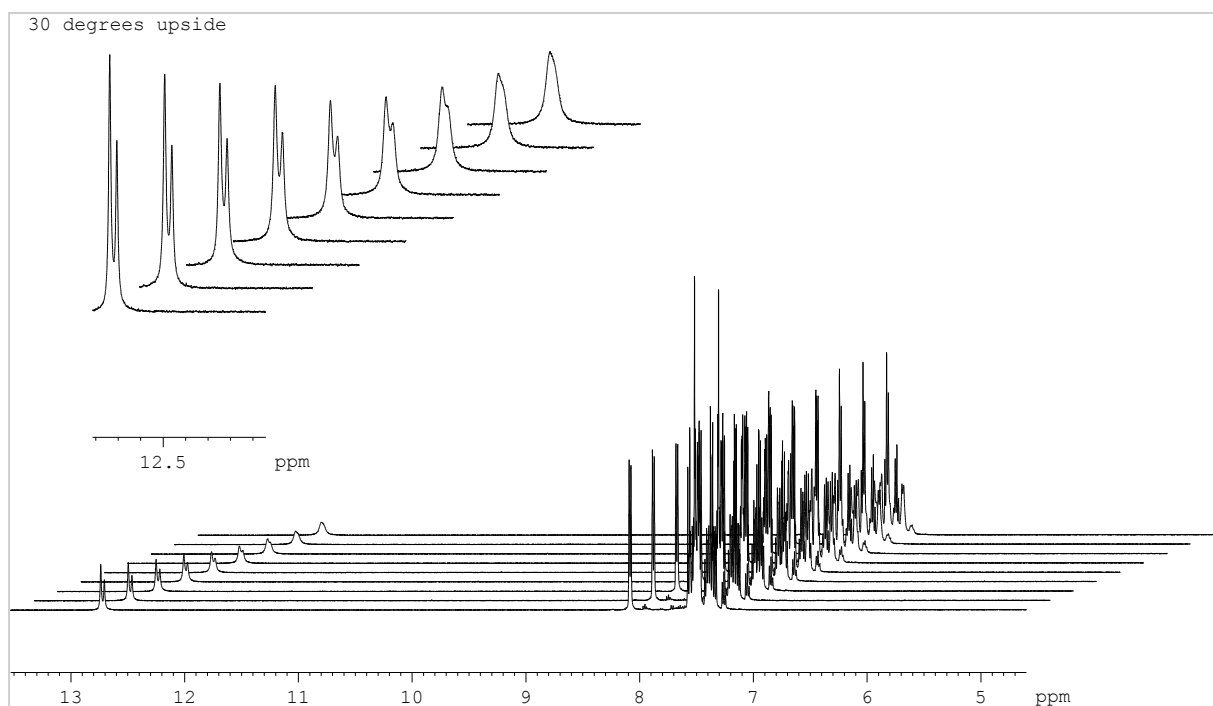
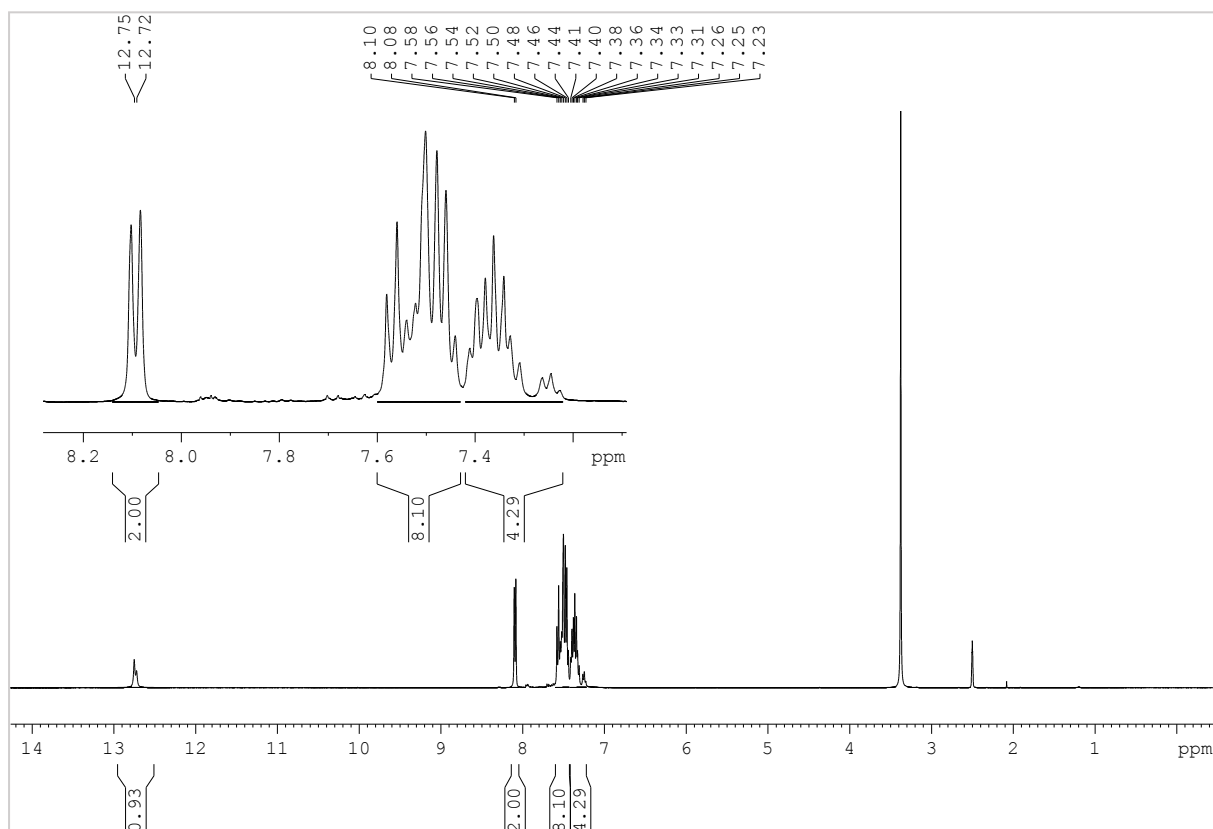
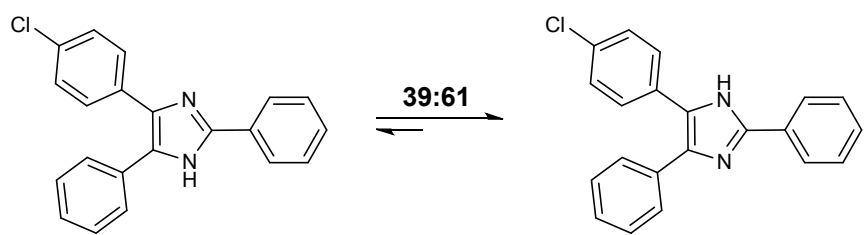


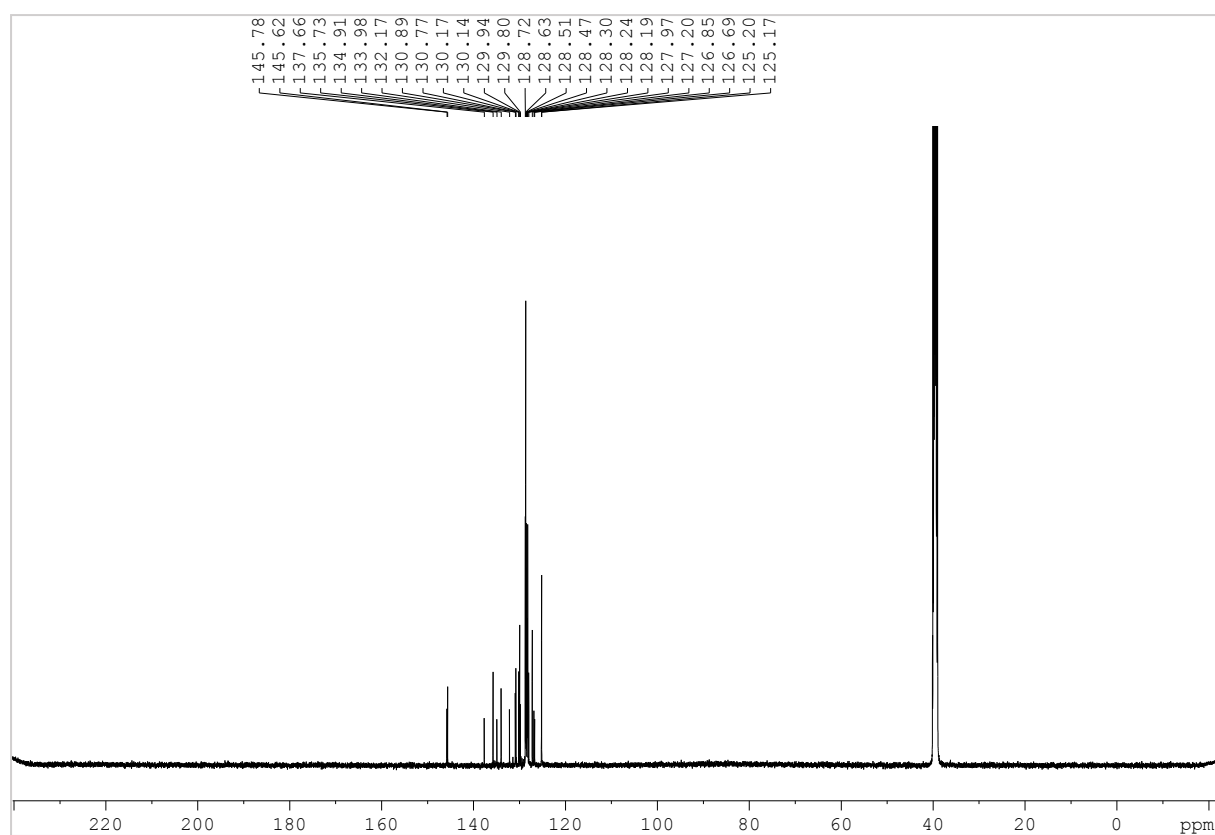












Elemental Composition Report

Single Mass Analysis

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Element prediction: Off

Number of isotope peaks used for i-FIT = 2

Monoisotopic Mass, Even Electron Ions

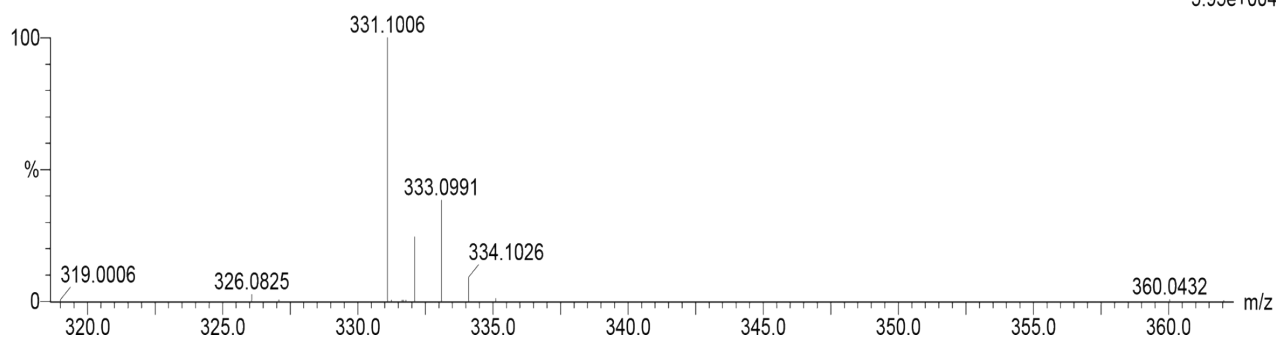
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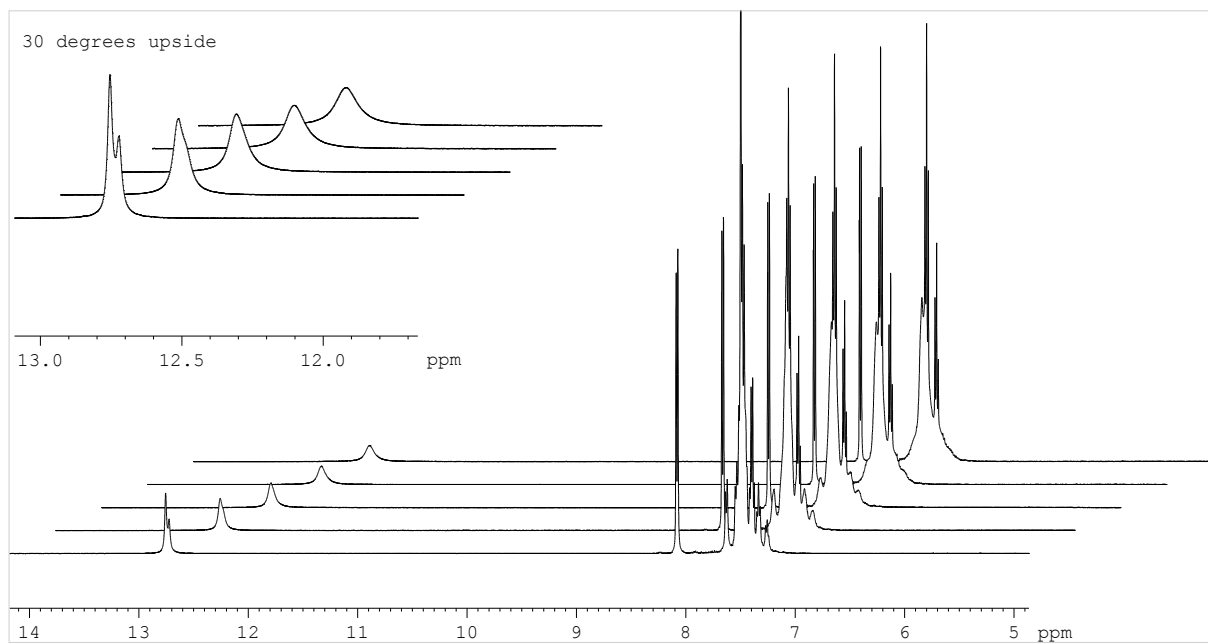
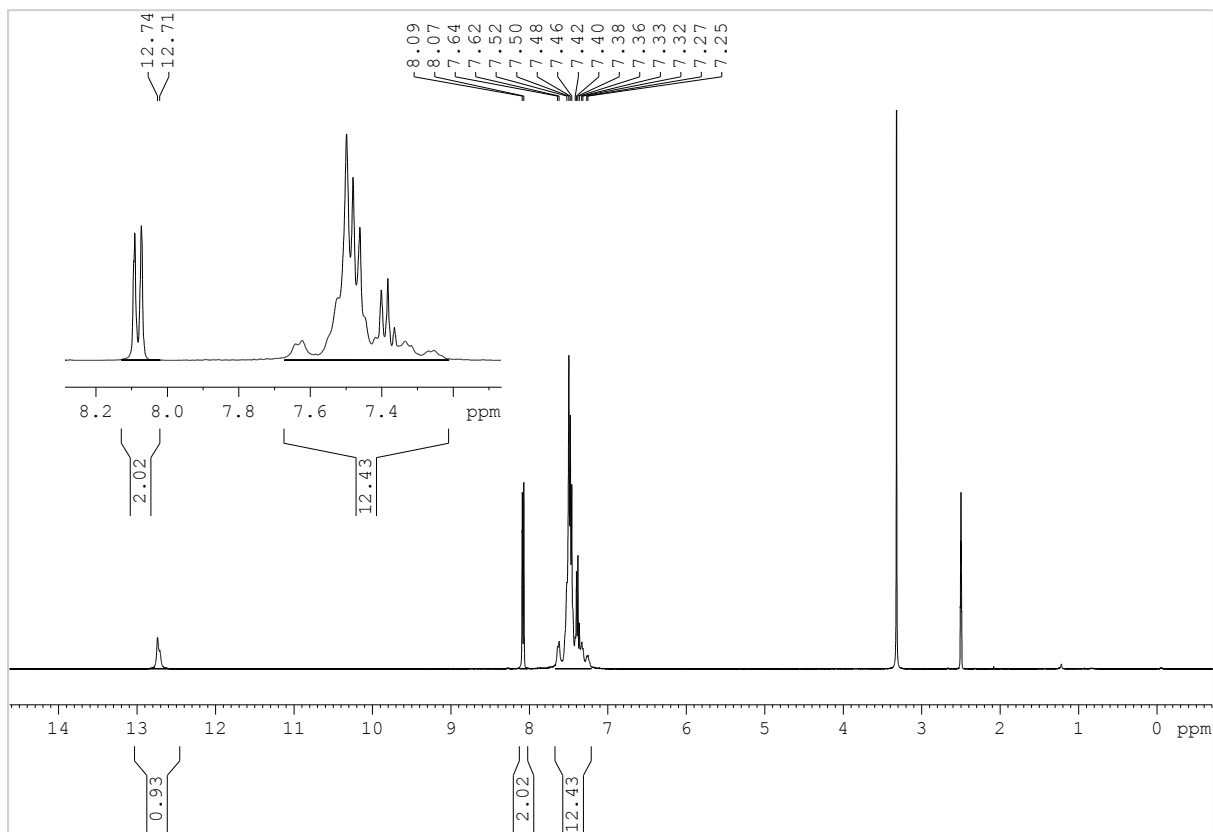
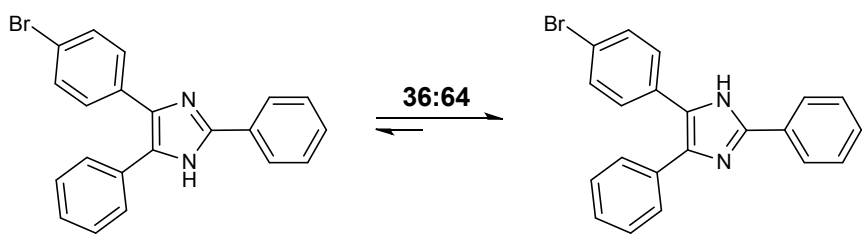
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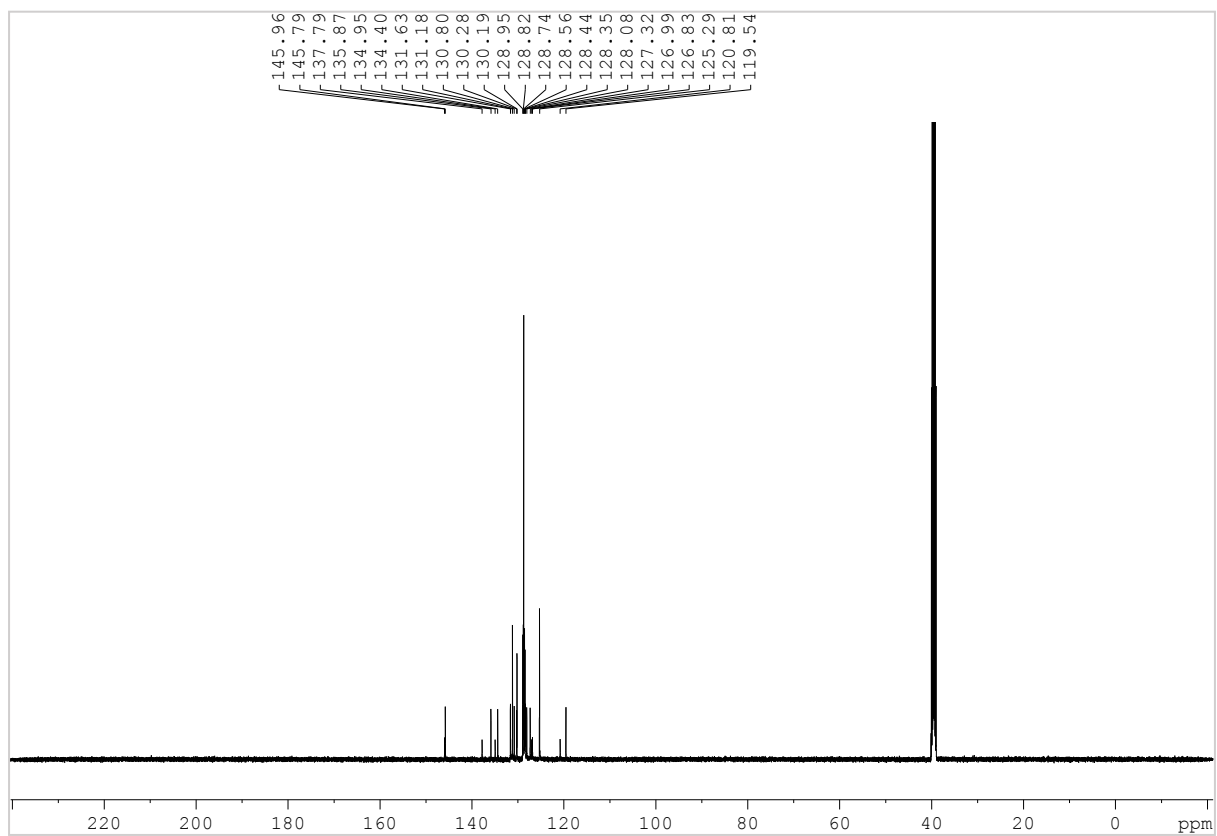
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Single Mass Analysis

Tolerance = 5.0 PPM / DBE: min = -1.5, max = 100.0

Element prediction: Off

Number of isotope peaks used for i-FIT = 2

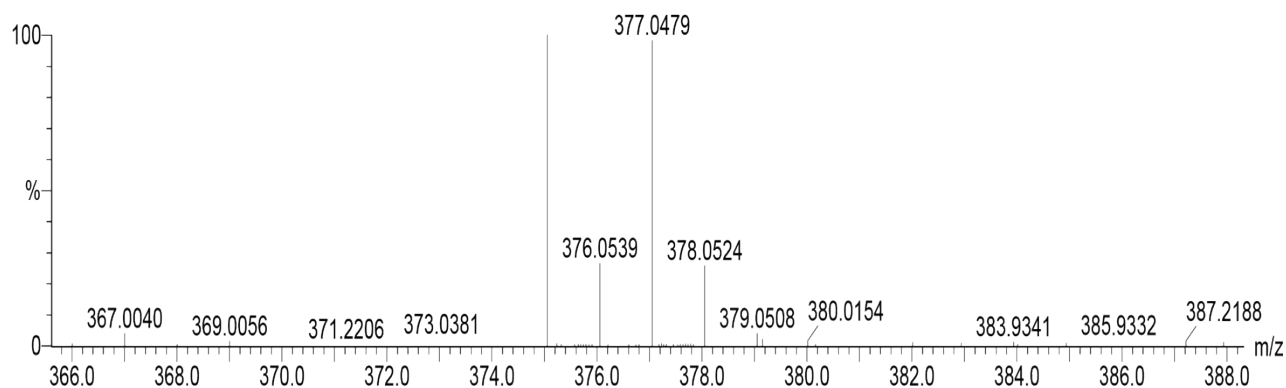
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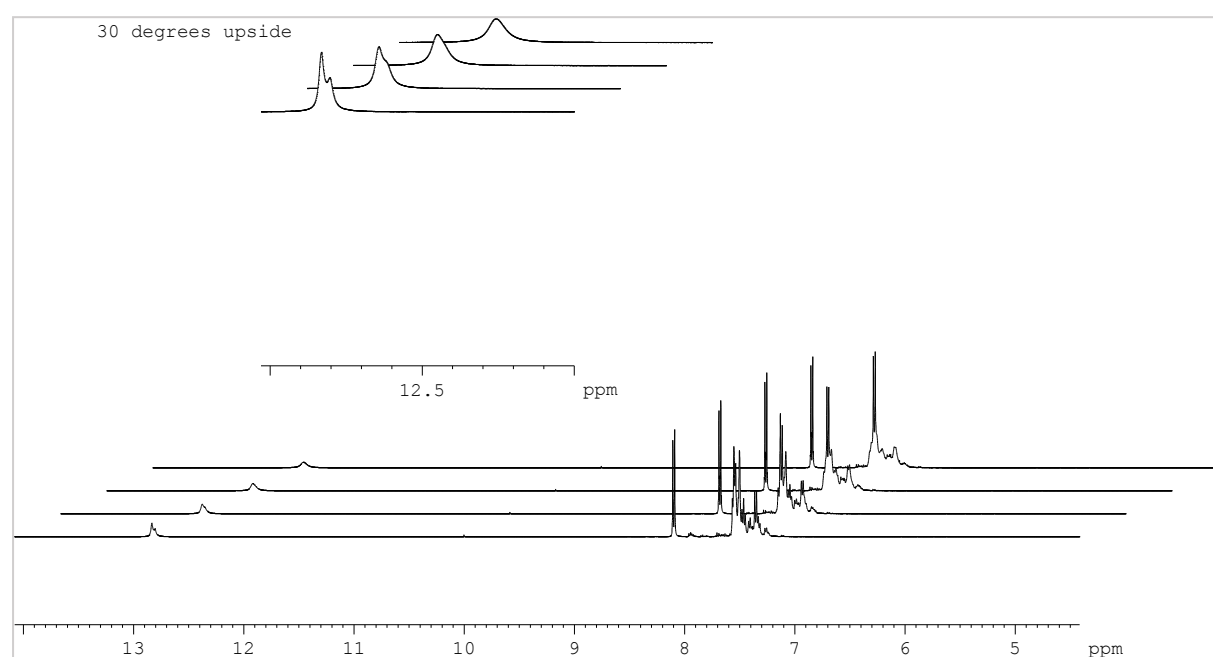
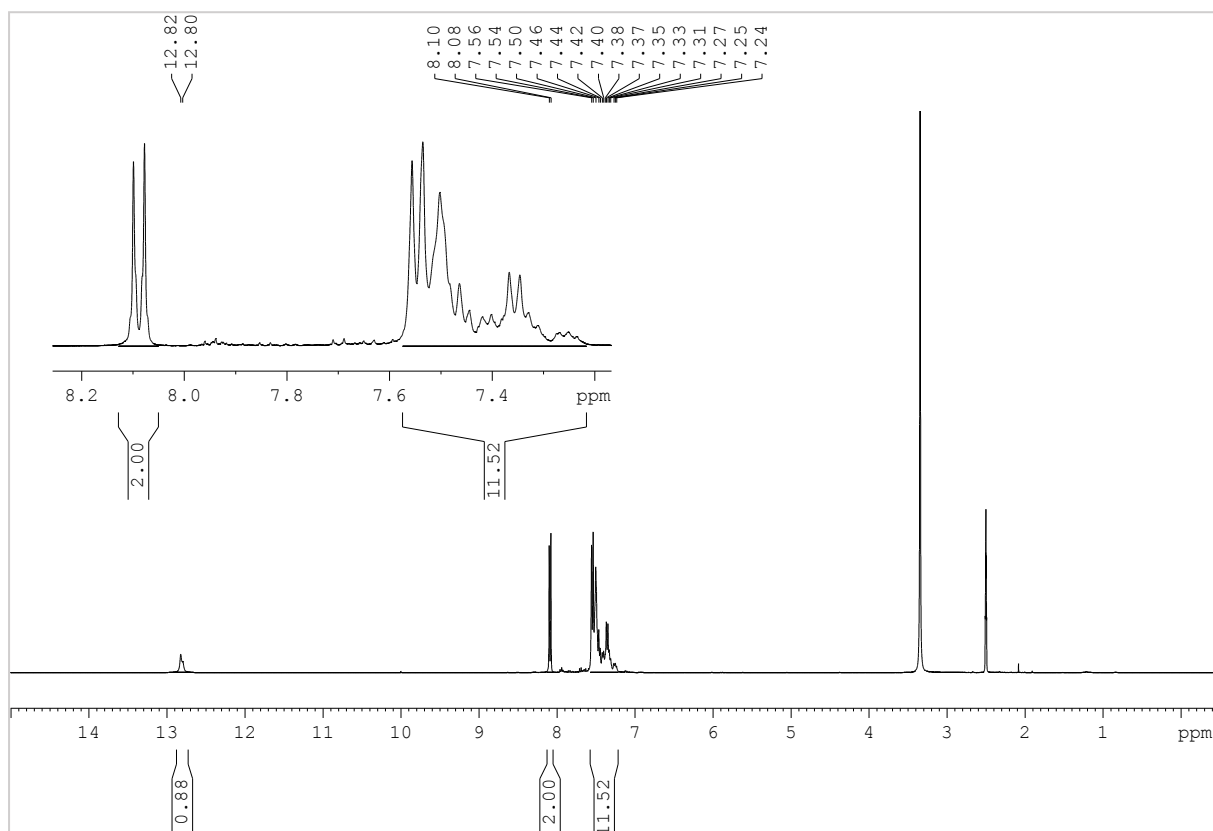
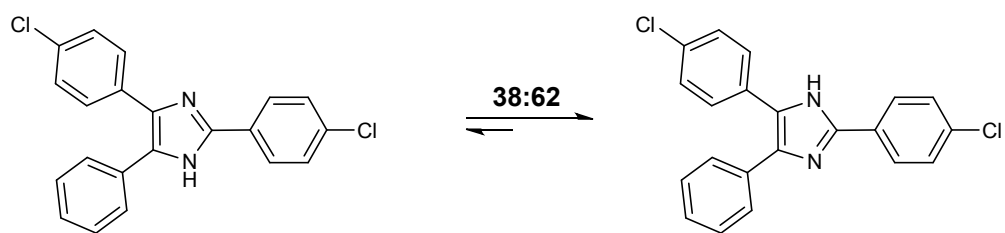
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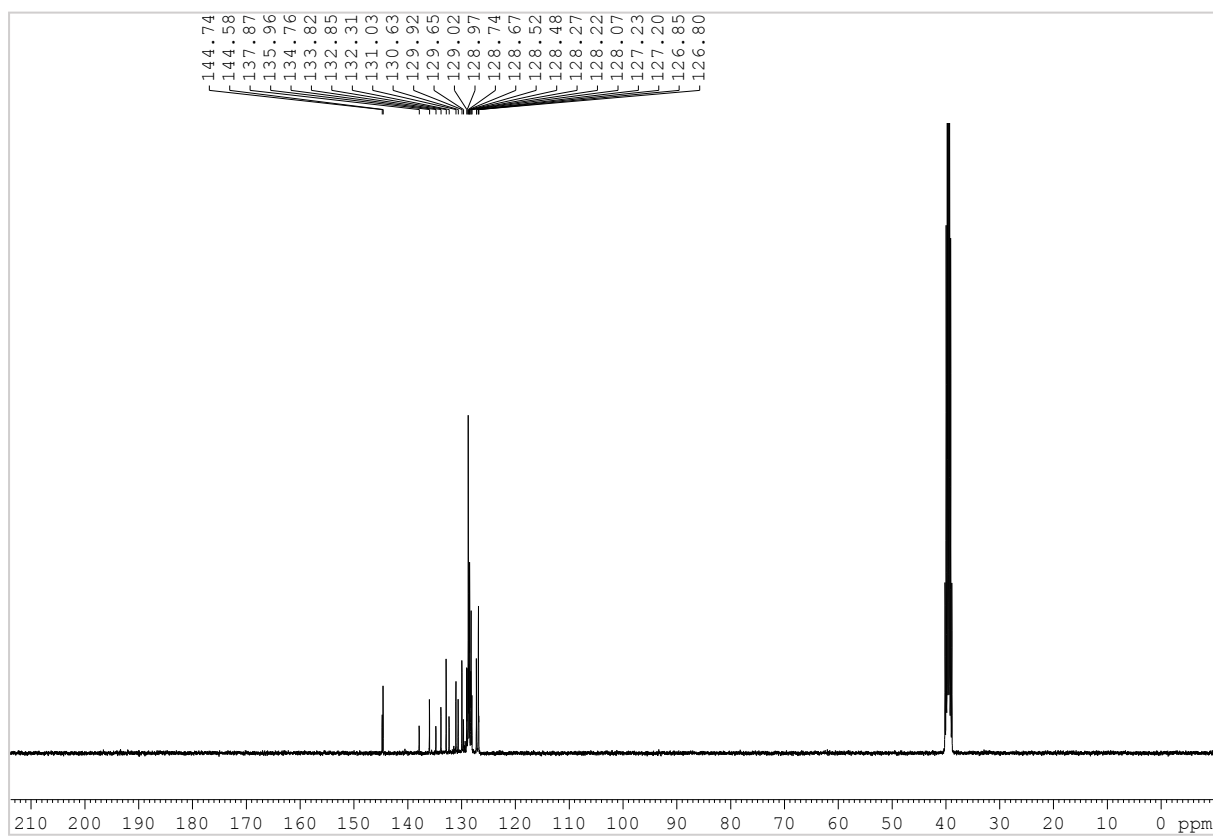


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Single Mass Analysis

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Element prediction: Off

Number of isotope peaks used for i-FIT = 2

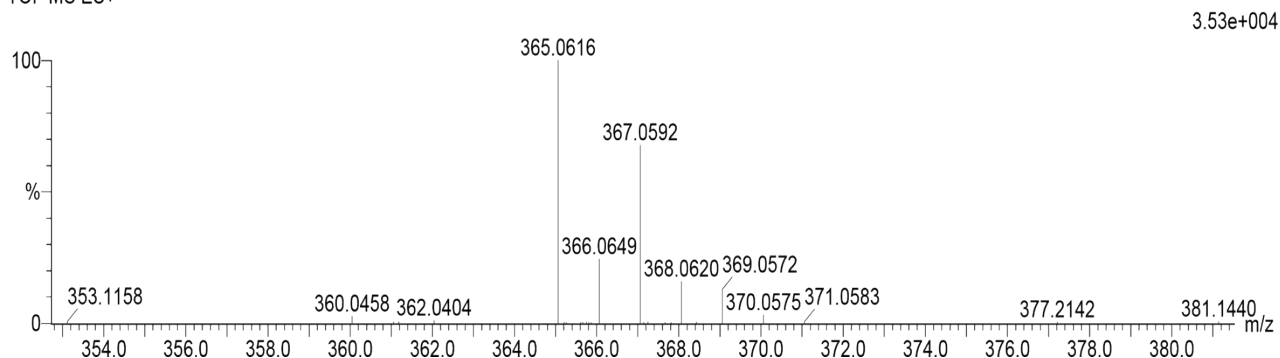
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Chloro-chloro Imidazole 6 (0.169) Cm (1:61)

TOF MS ES+



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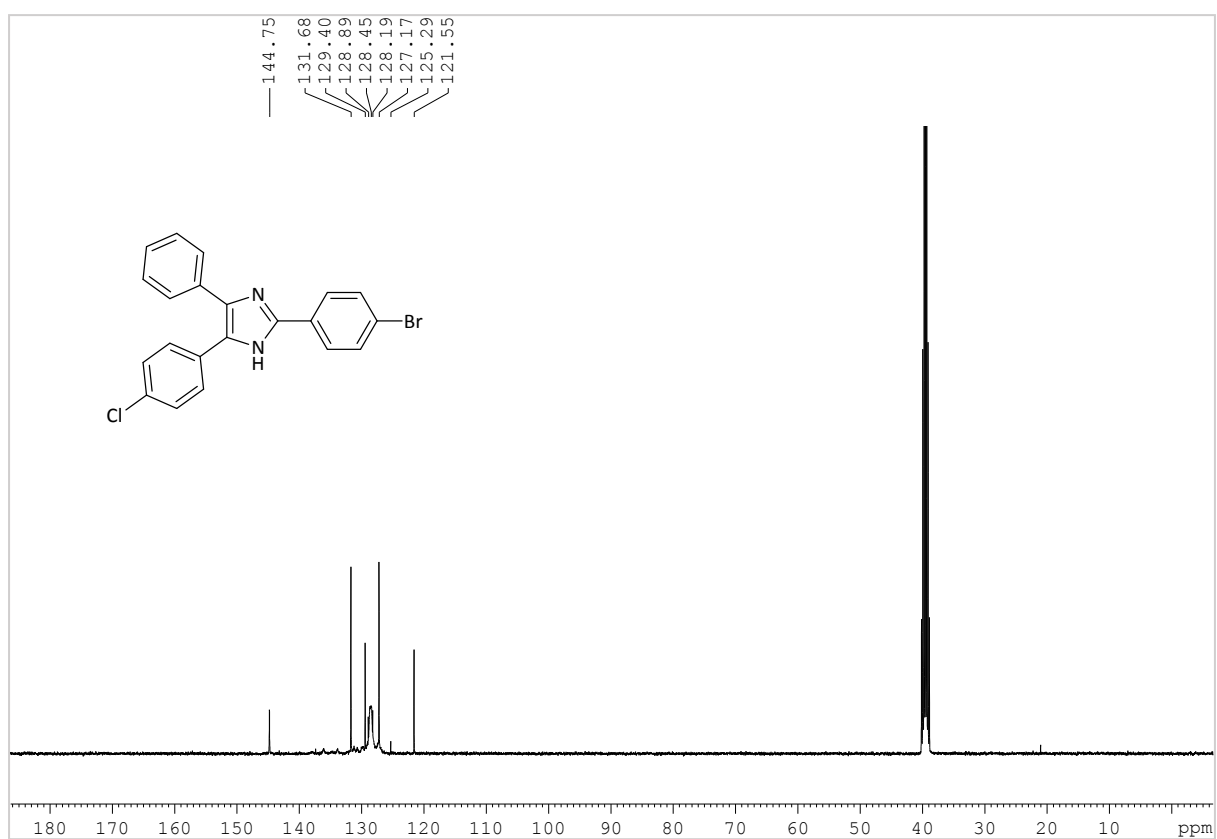
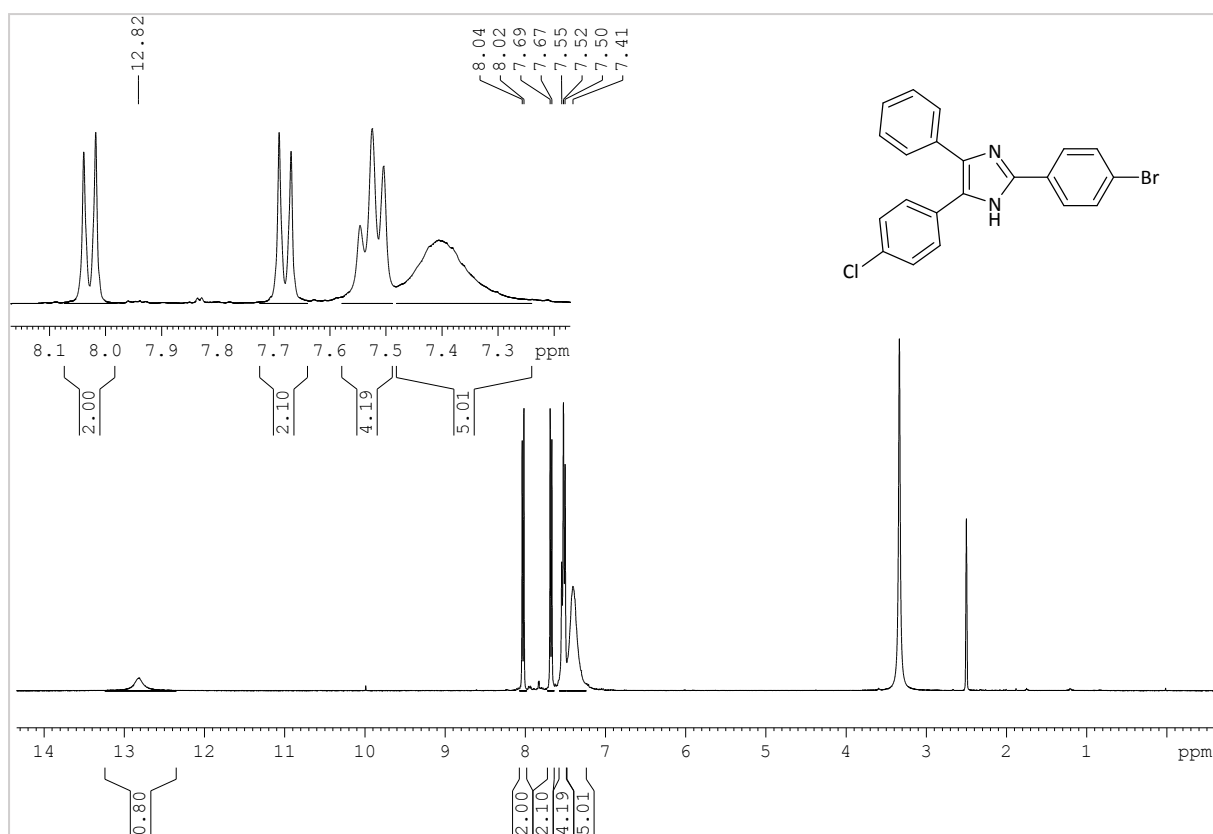
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Single Mass Analysis

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Element prediction: Off

Number of isotope peaks used for i-FIT = 2

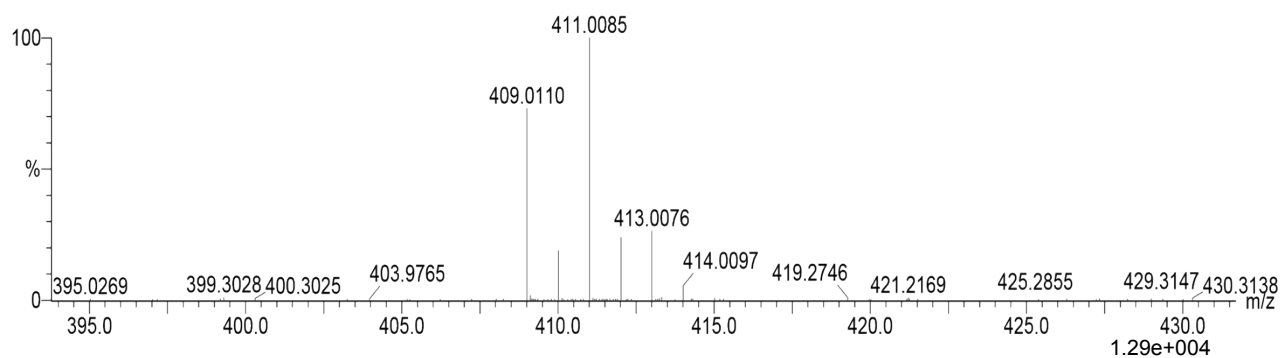
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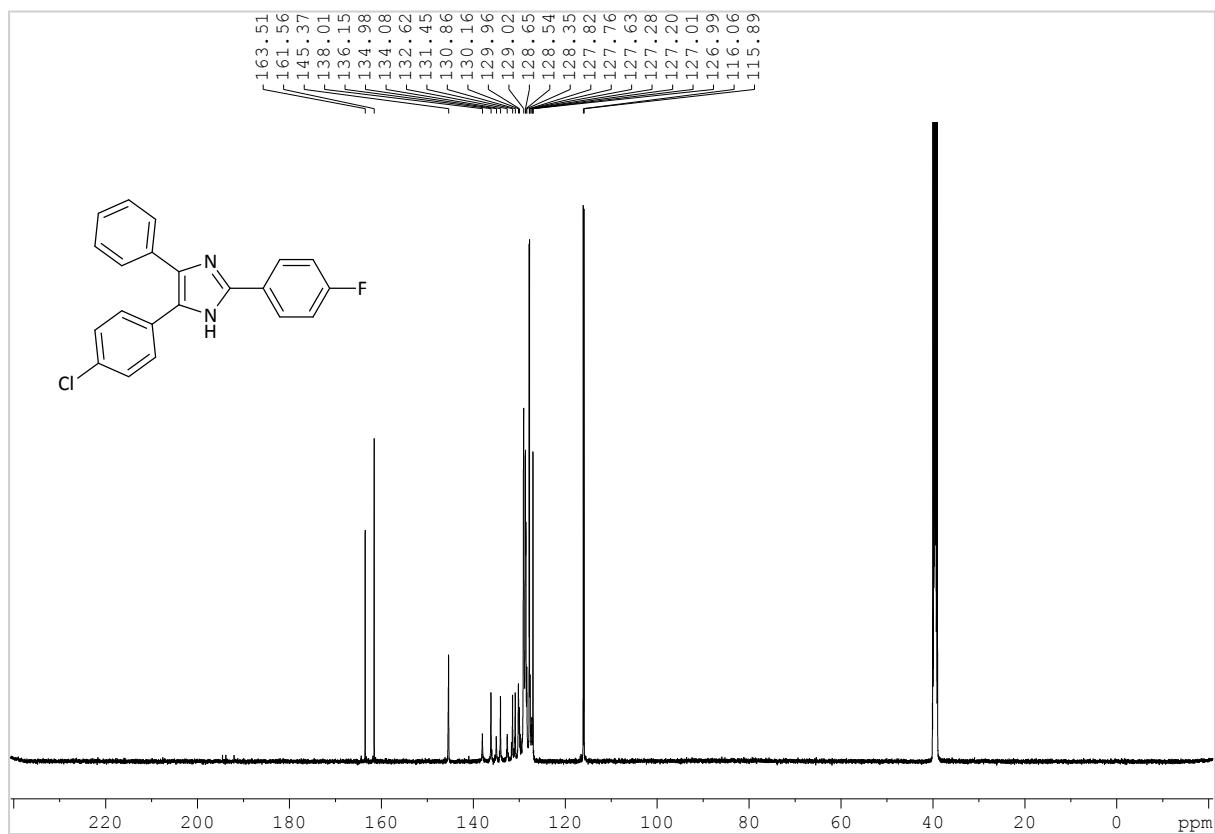
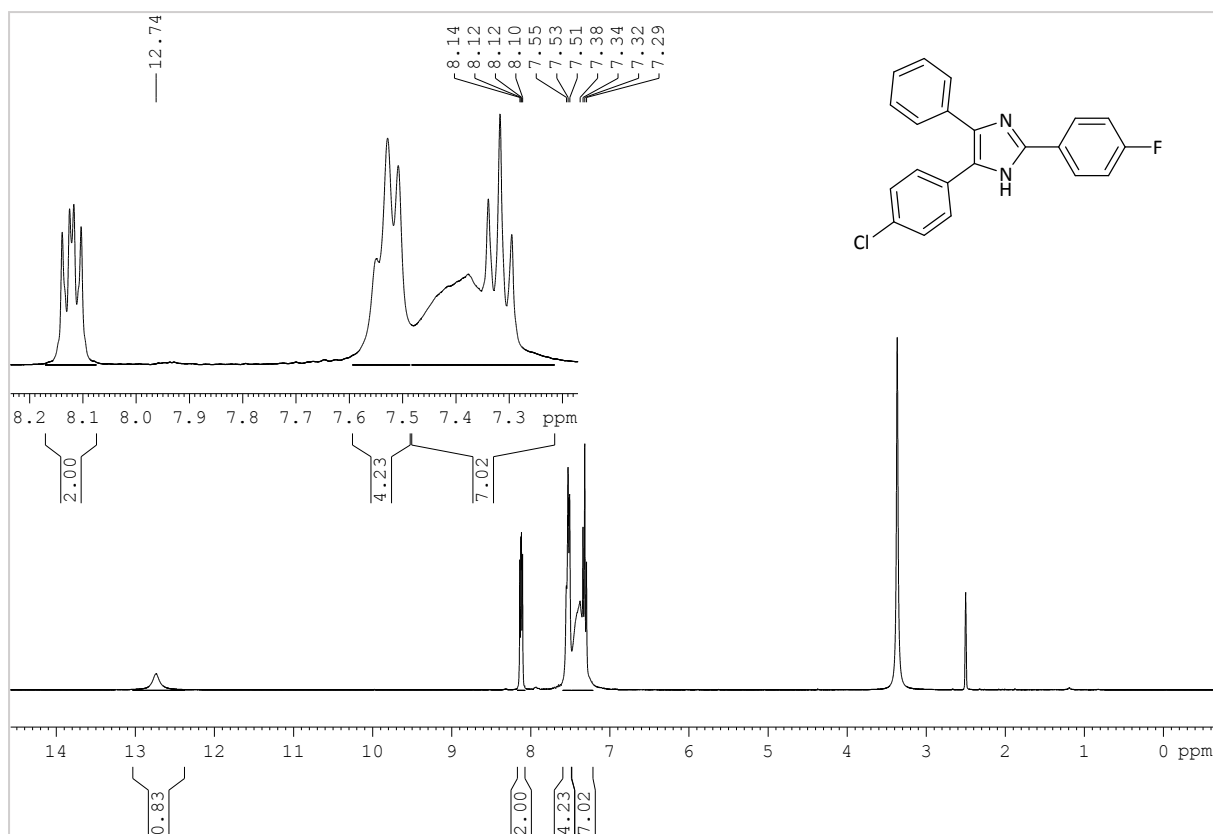
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TOF MS ES+



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Maximum: 5.0 5.0 100.0

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Single Mass Analysis

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Element prediction: Off

Number of isotope peaks used for i-FIT = 2

Monoisotopic Mass, Even Electron Ions

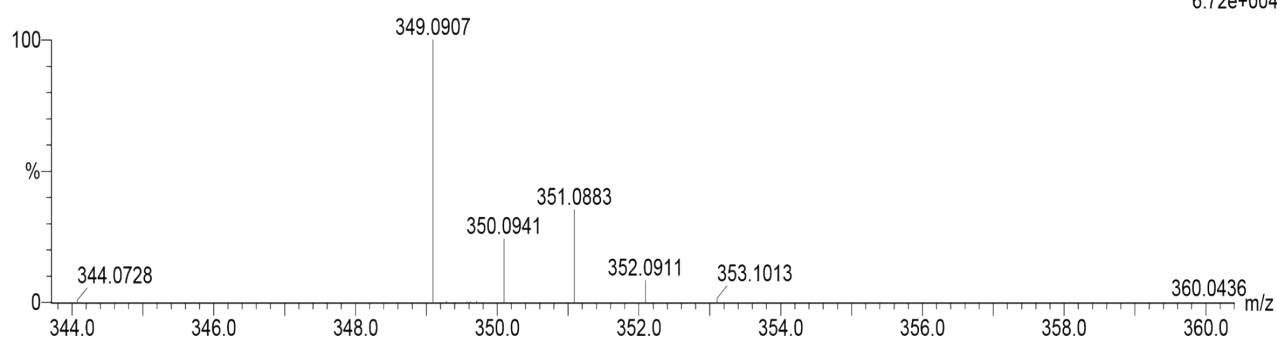
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Chloro-fluoro Imidazole 3 (0.068) Cm (1:61)

TOF MS ES+

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