

Supporting Information

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A: General Information and Starting Materials

General Information. Proton nuclear magnetic resonance (¹H NMR) spectra and carbon nuclear magnetic resonance (¹³C NMR) spectra were recorded on a Bruker ACF300 spectrometer (500 MHz and 125 MHz). Chemical shifts for protons are reported in parts per million downfield from tetramethylsilane and are referenced to residual protium in the NMR solvent (CDCl₃: δ 7.26). Chemical shifts for carbon are reported in parts per million downfield from tetramethylsilane and are referenced to the carbon resonances of the solvent (CDCl₃: δ 77.16). Data are represented as follows: chemical shift, integration, multiplicity (br = broad, s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet), coupling constants in Hertz (Hz). All high resolution mass spectra were obtained on a Finnigan/MAT 95XL-T mass spectrometer. For thin layer chromatography (TLC), Merck pre-coated TLC plates (Merck 60 F254) were used, and compounds were visualized with a UV light at 254 nm. Flash chromatography separations were performed on Merck 60 (0.040-0.063 mm) mesh silica gel.

Starting Materials. All solvents, inorganic reagents and β-functionalized ketones were from commercial sources and used without purification unless otherwise noted. The quinone methides and bifunctional organocatalysts were prepared following the literature procedures.¹⁻²

B: General Procedure for Cascade Reactions

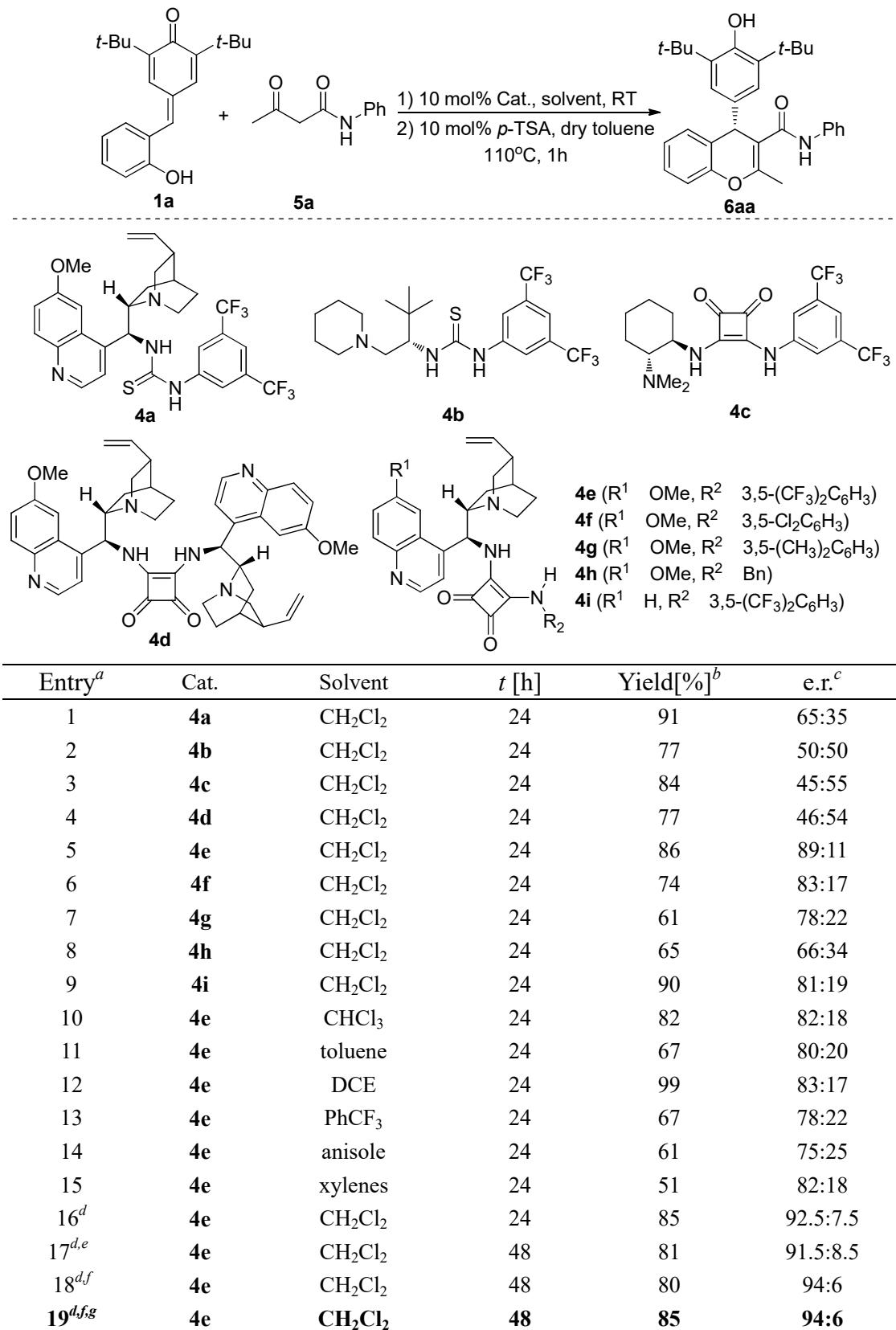
Malononitrile

To a solution of CHCl₃ (1.0 mL) were added quinone methides **1** (0.05 mmol), malononitrile **2** (0.06 mmol) and catalyst **4e** (0.0025 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 24-48h and then the solvent was removed under vacuum. The residue was purified by silica gel chromatography to yield the desired product **3**.

β-Functionalized ketone

To a solution of CH₂Cl₂ (1.0 mL) were added quinone methides **1** (0.05 mmol), β-functionalized ketones **2** (0.06 mmol) and catalyst **4e** (0.0025 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2-96h and then the solvent was removed under vacuum. The residue was purified by silica gel chromatography to yield the intermediate product, which was treated with 5 mol% of *p*-TSA in dry toluene (0.5 mL) at 110°C and then the solvent was removed under vacuum. The residue was purified by silica gel chromatography to yield the desired product **6**.

C: Screening of Catalysts and Condition Optimization



^a Reaction conditions: a mixture of **1a** (0.05 mmol), **5a** (0.06 mmol) and catalyst (10 mol%) in the solvent (0.3 mL) was stirred at room temperature for 24–48h. After column chromatography, the immediate product was treated with 10 mol% of *p*-TSA in dry toluene (0.5 mL) at 110 °C for 1h.

^b Yield of isolated product.

^c Determined by HPLC analysis.

^d 1.0 mL CH₂Cl₂ was used.

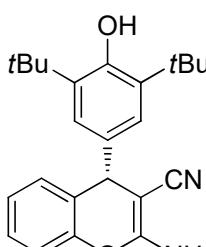
^e The reaction temperature is 0°C.

^f 5 mol% catalyst was used.

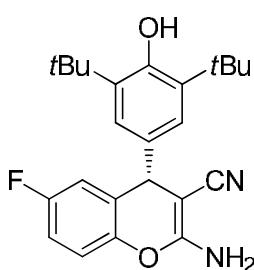
^g 5 mol% *p*-TSA was used.

D: Characterization Data

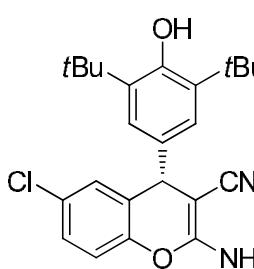
(S)-2-amino-4-(3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-4*H*-chromene-3-carbonitrile (3a)

 White solid, 97% yield. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz): δ (ppm) 7.21-7.17 (m, 1H), 7.05-6.99 (m, 3H), 6.93 (s, 2H), 5.10 (s, 1H), 4.66 (s, 1H), 4.55 (s, 2H), 1.38 (s, 18H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 MHz): δ (ppm) 159.2, 152.8, 148.8, 135.9, 135.3, 129.6, 127.9, 124.9, 124.2, 123.5, 120.1, 116.1, 61.5, 40.7, 34.3, 30.2. HRMS (ESI): exact mass calculated for M^+ ($\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{29}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$) requires m/z 377.2224, found m/z 377.2227. The enantiomeric ratio was determined to be 97.5:2.5 by HPLC. [IA column, 254 nm, *n*-hexane:IPA = 96:4, 0.8 mL/min]: 18.4 min (minor), 21.1 min (major).

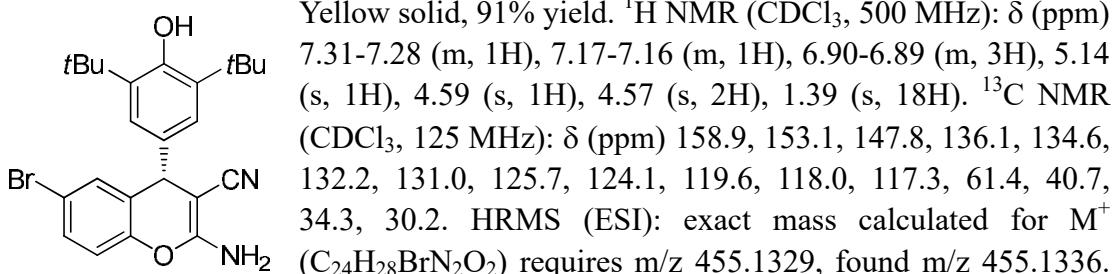
(S)-2-amino-4-(3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-6-fluoro-4*H*-chromene-3-carbonitrile (3b)

 White solid, 94% yield. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz): δ (ppm) 6.99-6.96 (m, 1H), 6.91-6.86 (m, 3H), 6.73-6.71 (m, 1H), 5.13 (s, 1H), 4.61 (s, 1H), 4.56 (s, 2H), 1.39 (s, 18H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 MHz): δ (ppm) 159.2 (d, J = 965.0 Hz), 159.1, 153.0, 144.7 (d, J = 10.0 Hz), 136.1, 134.6, 125.3 (d, J = 30.0 Hz), 124.2, 119.8, 117.6 (d, J = 30.0 Hz), 115.6 (d, J = 95.0 Hz), 115.0 (d, J = 95.0 Hz), 60.9, 41.0, 34.3, 30.2. HRMS (ESI): exact mass calculated for M^+ ($\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{28}\text{FN}_2\text{O}_2$) requires m/z 395.2129, found m/z 395.2135. The enantiomeric ratio was determined to be 96:4 by HPLC. [IA column, 254 nm, *n*-hexane:IPA = 96:4, 0.5 mL/min]: 30.2 min (minor), 32.5 min (major).

(S)-2-amino-6-chloro-4-(3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-4*H*-chromene-3-carbonitrile (3c)

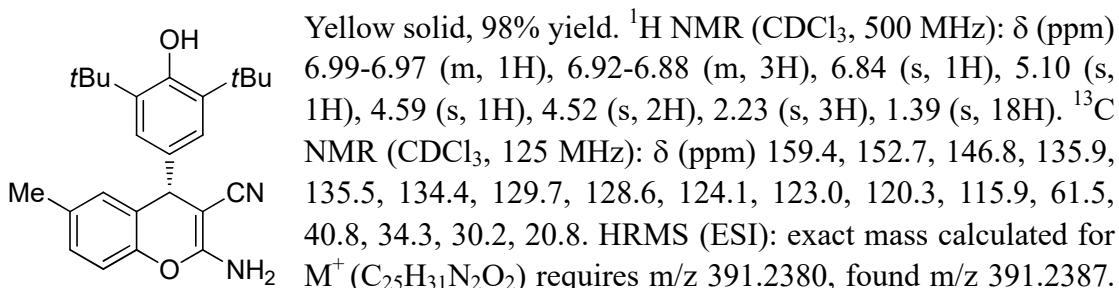
 Yellow solid, 74% yield. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz): δ (ppm) 7.16-7.14 (m, 1H), 7.02-7.01 (m, 1H), 6.96-6.94 (m, 1H), 6.90 (s, 2H), 5.14 (s, 1H), 4.59 (s, 1H), 4.57 (s, 2H), 1.39 (s, 18H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 MHz): δ (ppm) 158.9, 153.0, 147.3, 136.1, 134.6, 129.8, 129.3, 128.1, 125.3, 124.1, 119.6, 117.6, 61.4, 40.8, 34.3, 30.2. HRMS (ESI): exact mass calculated for M^+ ($\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{28}\text{ClN}_2\text{O}_2$) requires m/z 411.1839, found m/z 411.1842. The enantiomeric ratio was determined to be 94:6 by HPLC. [IA column, 254 nm, *n*-hexane:IPA = 96:4, 0.8 mL/min]: 16.5 min (minor), 18.2 min (major).

(S)-2-amino-6-bromo-4-(3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-4*H*-chromene-3-carbonitrile (3d)



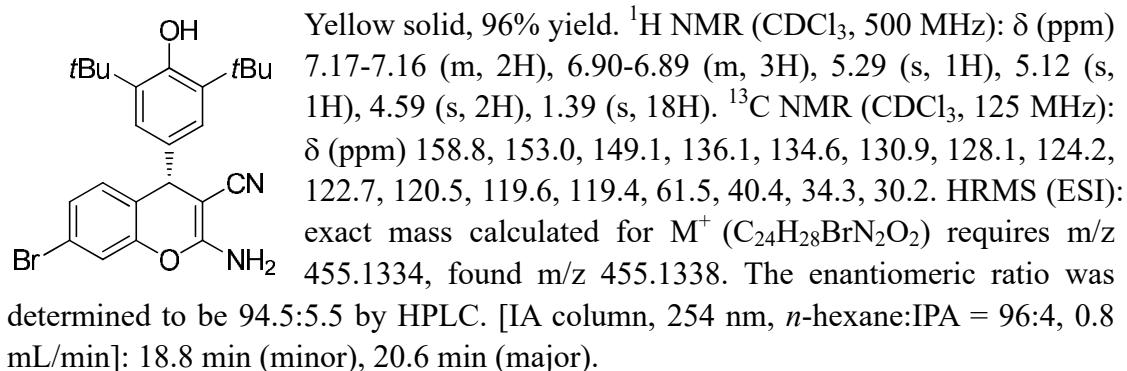
The enantiomeric ratio was determined to be 95:5 by HPLC. [IA column, 254 nm, *n*-hexane:IPA = 96:4, 0.8 mL/min]: 17.2 min (minor), 19.2 min (major).

(*S*)-2-amino-4-(3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-6-methyl-4*H*-chromene-3-carbonitrile (3e)

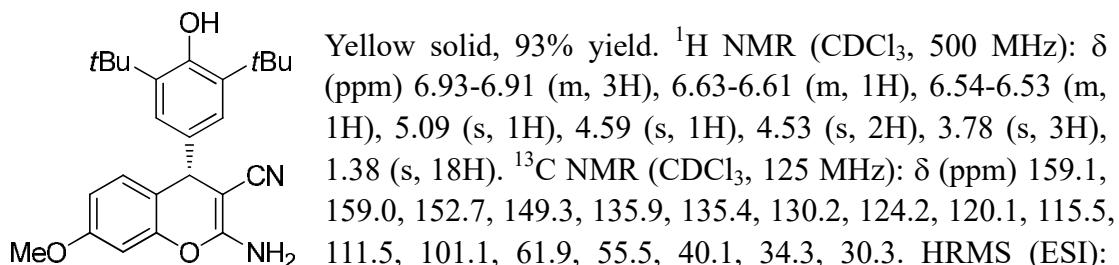


The enantiomeric ratio was determined to be 97:3 by HPLC. [IA column, 254 nm, *n*-hexane:IPA = 96:4, 0.8 mL/min]: 15.7 min (minor), 18.0 min (major).

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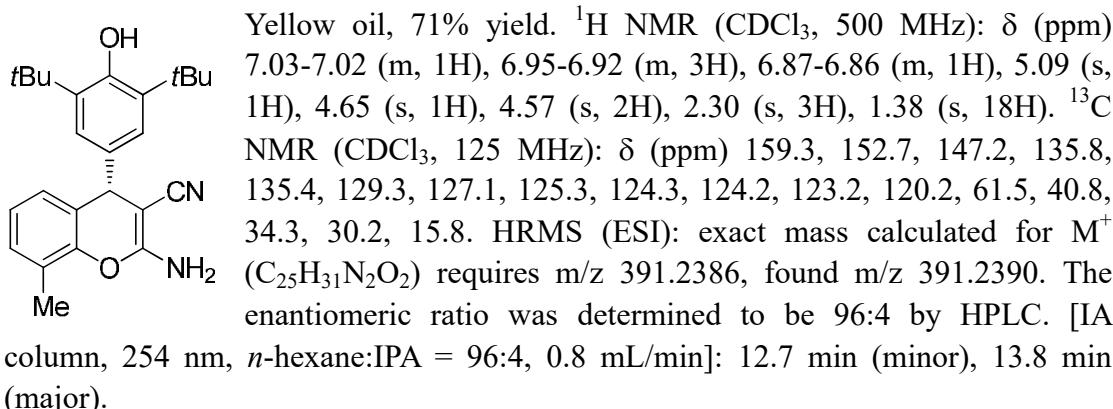


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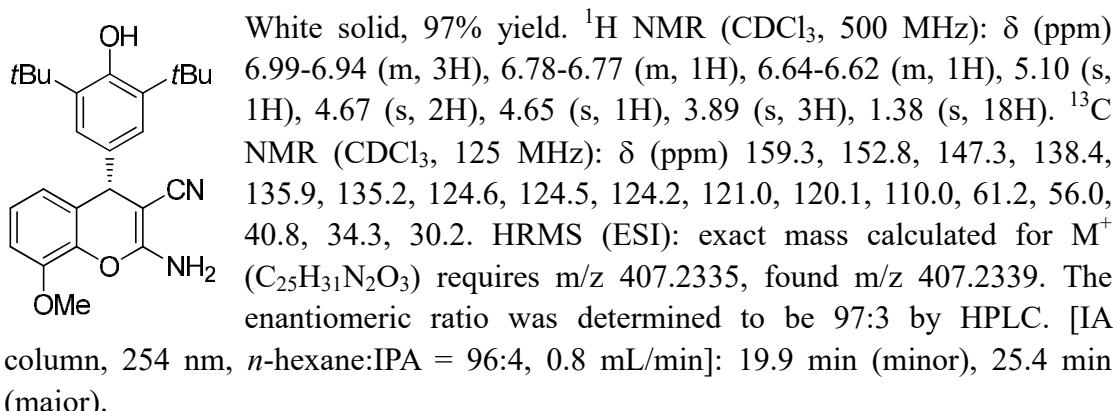


exact mass calculated for M^+ ($C_{25}H_{31}N_2O_3$) requires m/z 407.2329, found m/z 407.2334. The enantiomeric ratio was determined to be 98:2 by HPLC. [IA column, 254 nm, *n*-hexane:IPA = 96:4, 0.8 mL/min]: 22.3 min (minor), 25.0 min (major).

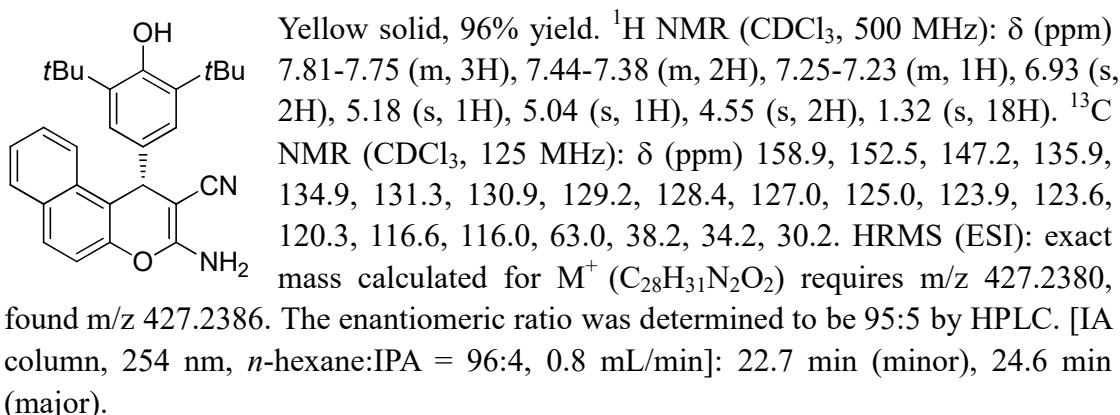
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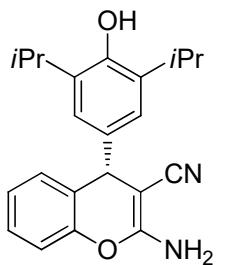
(S)-2-amino-4-(3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-8-methoxy-4*H*-chromene-3-carbonitrile (3i)



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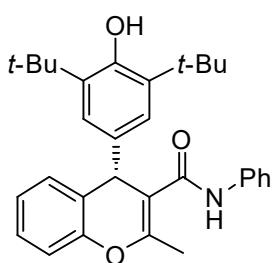


**(S)-2-amino-4-(4-hydroxy-3,5-diisopropylphenyl)-4*H*-chromene-3-carbonitrile
(3k)**



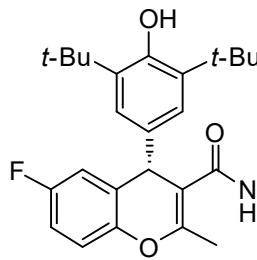
Yellow solid, 99% yield. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz): δ (ppm) 7.20-7.17 (m, 1H), 7.04-6.99 (m, 3H), 6.82 (s, 2H), 4.67 (s, 1H), 4.57 (s, 2H), 3.12-3.06 (m, 2H), 1.24 (d, $J = 5.0$ Hz, 6H), 1.20 (d, $J = 5.0$ Hz, 6H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 MHz): δ (ppm) 159.1, 149.2, 148.6, 136.5, 133.8, 129.6, 127.9, 124.9, 123.4, 122.9, 120.0, 116.1, 61.3, 40.6, 27.3, 22.7. HRMS (ESI): exact mass calculated for M^+ ($\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{25}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$) requires m/z 349.1916, found m/z 349.1919. The enantiomeric ratio was determined to be 93:7 by HPLC. [IA column, 254 nm, n-hexane:IPA = 96:4, 0.8 mL/min]: 73.7 min (minor), 80.6 min (major).

(S)-4-(3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-2-methyl-N-phenyl-4*H*-chromene-3-carboxamide (6aa)



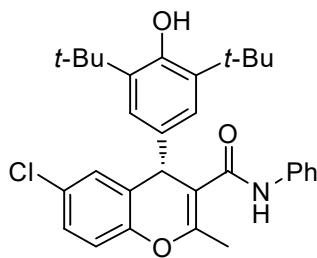
White solid, 85% yield. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz): δ (ppm) 7.24-7.17 (m, 4H), 7.15 (s, 2H), 7.14-7.06 (m, 3H), 7.05-6.99 (m, 3H), 5.22 (s, 1H), 4.75 (s, 1H), 2.41 (s, 3H), 1.40 (s, 18H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 MHz): δ (ppm) 166.5, 155.8, 153.3, 149.4, 138.1, 137.1, 136.0, 128.9, 128.9, 127.5, 124.5, 124.1, 124.1, 123.9, 119.3, 116.3, 109.1, 42.8, 34.4, 30.2, 18.7. HRMS (ESI): exact mass calculated for M^+ ($\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{36}\text{NO}_3$) requires m/z 470.2695, found m/z 470.2691. The enantiomeric ratio was determined to be 94:6 by HPLC. [IA column, 254 nm, n-hexane:IPA = 9:1, 0.8 mL/min]: 9.9 min (major), 15.7 min (minor).

(S)-4-(3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-6-fluoro-2-methyl-N-phenyl-4*H*-chromene-3-carboxamide (6ba)



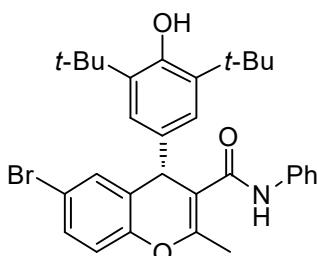
Yellow solid, 89% yield. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz): δ (ppm) 7.24-7.22 (m, 2H), 7.18-7.17 (m, 2H), 7.12 (s, 2H), 7.05-7.02 (m, 2H), 6.99-6.97 (m, 1H), 6.87-6.83 (m, 1H), 6.76-6.74 (m, 1H), 5.25 (s, 1H), 4.71 (s, 1H), 2.39 (s, 3H), 1.41 (s, 18H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 MHz): δ (ppm) 166.3, 158.8 (d, $J = 965.0$ Hz), 155.6, 153.5, 145.5, 138.0, 137.3, 135.5, 128.9, 125.8 (d, $J = 30.0$ Hz), 124.1, 124.0, 119.3, 117.6 (d, $J = 30.0$ Hz), 114.8 (d, $J = 95.0$ Hz), 114.6 (d, $J = 95.0$ Hz), 108.4, 42.9, 34.4, 30.2, 18.6. HRMS (ESI): exact mass calculated for M^+ ($\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{35}\text{FNO}_3$) requires m/z 488.2601, found m/z 488.2595. The enantiomeric ratio was determined to be 95:5 by HPLC. [IA column, 254 nm, n-hexane:IPA = 9:1, 0.8 mL/min]: 10.0 min (major), 15.6 min (minor).

(S)-6-chloro-4-(3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-2-methyl-N-phenyl-4*H*-chromene-3-carboxamide (6ca)



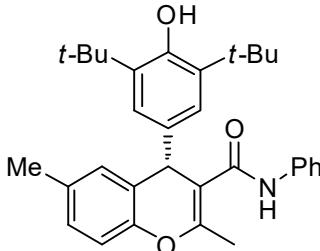
White solid, 73% yield. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz): δ (ppm) 7.24-7.22 (m, 2H), 7.18-7.17 (m, 2H), 7.11-7.10 (m, 3H), 7.05-7.03 (m, 3H), 6.97-6.95 (m, 1H), 5.25 (s, 1H), 4.68 (s, 1H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 1.41 (s, 18H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 MHz): δ (ppm) 166.1, 155.3, 153.6, 148.0, 137.9, 137.3, 135.4, 128.9, 128.6, 127.7, 126.0, 124.1, 124.0, 119.3, 117.8, 110.0, 109.1, 42.7, 34.4, 30.2, 18.5. HRMS (ESI): exact mass calculated for M^+ ($\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{35}\text{ClNO}_3$) requires m/z 504.2305, found m/z 504.2300. The enantiomeric ratio was determined to be 95:5 by HPLC. [IA column, 254 nm, n-hexane:IPA = 9:1, 0.8 mL/min]: 9.6 min (major), 14.9 min (minor).

(S)-6-bromo-4-(3,5-di-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-2-methyl-N-phenyl-4H-chromene-3-carboxamide (6da)



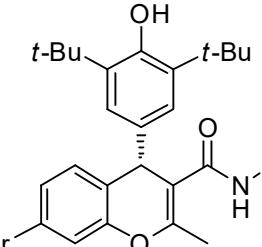
Yellow solid, 73% yield. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz): δ (ppm) 7.24-7.22 (m, 2H), 7.19-7.17 (m, 3H), 7.11 (s, 2H), 7.05-7.03 (m, 2H), 6.92-6.90 (m, 1H), 5.26 (s, 1H), 4.68 (s, 1H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 1.41 (s, 18H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 MHz): δ (ppm) 166.1, 155.2, 153.6, 148.6, 137.9, 137.3, 135.4, 131.5, 130.6, 128.9, 126.5, 124.1, 124.0, 119.4, 118.2, 116.2, 109.3, 42.6, 34.4, 30.2, 18.5. HRMS (ESI): exact mass calculated for M^+ ($\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{35}\text{BrNO}_3$) requires m/z 548.1800, found m/z 548.1795. The enantiomeric ratio was determined to be 95:5 by HPLC. [IA column, 254 nm, n-hexane:IPA = 9:1, 0.8 mL/min]: 10.2 min (major), 15.6 min (minor).

(S)-4-(3,5-di-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-2,6-dimethyl-N-phenyl-4H-chromene-3-carboxamide (6ea)



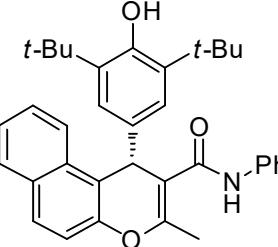
White solid, 99% yield. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz): δ (ppm) 7.24-7.18 (m, 4H), 7.15 (s, 2H), 7.10 (s, 1H), 7.04-7.03 (m, 1H), 6.95-6.90 (m, 2H), 6.86 (s, 1H), 5.22 (s, 1H), 4.68 (s, 1H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 2.24 (s, 3H), 1.41 (s, 18H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 MHz): δ (ppm) 166.6, 156.1, 153.3, 147.4, 138.2, 137.1, 136.2, 133.5, 128.9, 128.9, 128.2, 124.1, 123.8, 119.3, 116.0, 109.1, 42.9, 34.4, 30.2, 20.8, 18.7. HRMS (ESI): exact mass calculated for M^+ ($\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{38}\text{NO}_3$) requires m/z 484.2852, found m/z 484.2849. The enantiomeric ratio was determined to be 96:4 by HPLC. [IA column, 254 nm, n-hexane:IPA = 9:1, 0.8 mL/min]: 8.8 min (major), 17.2 min (minor).

(S)-7-bromo-4-(3,5-di-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-2-methyl-N-phenyl-4H-chromene-3-carboxamide (6fa)



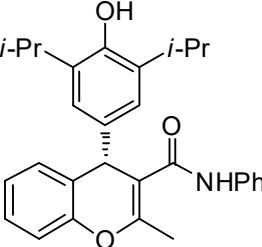
 White solid, 86% yield. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz): δ (ppm) 7.24-7.22 (m, 2H), 7.20-7.16 (m, 3H), 7.13-7.11 (m, 3H), 7.05-7.02 (m, 2H), 6.95-6.93 (m, 1H), 5.23 (s, 1H), 4.70 (s, 1H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 1.40 (s, 18H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 MHz): δ (ppm) 166.1, 155.0, 153.5, 150.0, 137.9, 137.3, 135.5, 130.2, 128.9, 128.2, 127.2, 124.0, 123.5, 120.3, 119.5, 119.4, 109.5, 42.4, 34.4, 30.2, 18.5. HRMS (ESI): exact mass calculated for M^+ ($\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{35}\text{BrNO}_3$) requires m/z 548.1800, found m/z 548.1795. The enantiomeric ratio was determined to be 93:7 by HPLC. [IA column, 254 nm, n-hexane:IPA = 9:1, 0.8 mL/min]: 13.1 min (minor), 17.1 min (major).

(S)-1-(3,5-di-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-3-methyl-N-phenyl-1H-benzo[f]chromene-2-carboxamide (6ga)



 White solid, 68% yield. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz): δ (ppm) 8.03-8.01 (m, 1H), 7.80-7.78 (m, 1H), 7.72-7.71 (m, 1H), 7.47-7.44 (m, 1H), 7.42-7.27 (m, 7H), 7.24 (s, 2H), 7.11-7.07 (m, 1H), 5.34 (s, 1H), 5.13 (s, 1H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 1.35 (s, 18H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 MHz): δ (ppm) 166.8, 154.0, 153.0, 147.9, 138.1, 136.6, 135.3, 131.2, 129.0, 128.6, 128.6, 126.5, 124.5, 124.3, 124.0, 123.0, 119.4, 117.4, 111.2, 39.6, 34.3, 30.2, 18.3. HRMS (ESI): exact mass calculated for M^+ ($\text{C}_{35}\text{H}_{38}\text{NO}_3$) requires m/z 520.2852, found m/z 520.2847. The enantiomeric ratio was determined to be 77:23 by HPLC. [IA column, 254 nm, n-hexane:IPA = 9:1, 0.8 mL/min]: 10.8 min (major), 32.3 min (minor).

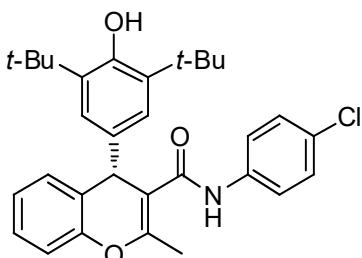
(S)-4-(4-hydroxy-3,5-diisopropylphenyl)-2-methyl-N-phenyl-4H-chromene-3-carboxamide (6ha)



 White solid, 69% yield. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz): δ (ppm) 7.25-7.19 (m, 4H), 7.16-7.11 (m, 2H), 7.06-6.96 (m, 6H), 4.83 (s, 1H), 4.79 (s, 1H), 3.15-3.09 (m, 2H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 1.25 (d, $J = 5.0$ Hz, 6H), 1.29 (d, $J = 5.0$ Hz, 6H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 MHz): δ (ppm) 166.5, 155.6, 149.6, 149.3, 138.0, 137.3, 134.9, 128.9, 128.8, 127.5, 124.4, 124.1, 123.9, 122.6, 119.5, 116.3, 109.0, 42.6, 27.4, 22.7, 18.7. HRMS (ESI): exact mass calculated for M^+ ($\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{32}\text{NO}_3$) requires m/z 442.2382, found m/z 442.2377. The enantiomeric ratio was determined to be 96:4 by HPLC. [IA column, 254 nm, n-hexane:EtOH = 95:5, 0.8 mL/min]: 20.3 min (major), 25.4 min (minor).

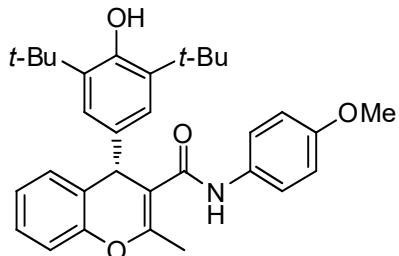
(S)-N-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-(3,5-di-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-2-methyl-4H-chromene-3-carboxamide (6ab)

White solid, 97% yield. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz): δ (ppm) 7.20-7.18 (m, 2H), 7.15-6.95 (m, 9H), 5.22 (s, 1H), 4.73 (s, 1H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 1.40 (s, 18H). ^{13}C NMR



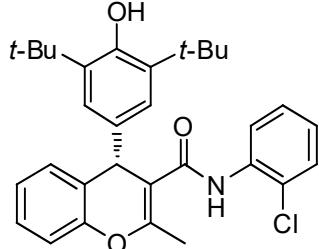
(CDCl₃, 125 MHz): δ (ppm) 166.4, 156.3, 153.4, 149.3, 137.2, 136.7, 136.0, 128.9, 128.8, 128.7, 127.6, 124.3, 124.2, 124.1, 120.5, 116.3, 108.8, 42.7, 34.4, 30.2, 18.7. HRMS (ESI): exact mass calculated for M⁺ (C₃₁H₃₅ClNO₃) requires m/z 504.2305, found m/z 504.2300. The enantiomeric ratio was determined to be 96:4 by HPLC. [IA column, 254 nm, n-hexane:IPA = 9:1, 0.8 mL/min]: 9.9 min (major), 25.6 min (minor).

(S)-4-(3,5-di-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-N-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-methyl-4H-chromene-3-carboxamide (6ac)



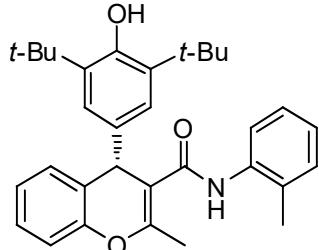
Yellow solid, 83% yield. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz): δ (ppm) 7.15-7.07 (m, 6H), 7.01-7.00 (m, 3H), 6.79-6.77 (m, 2H), 5.20 (s, 1H), 4.75 (s, 1H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 1.40 (s, 18H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 MHz): δ (ppm) 166.3, 156.1, 153.2, 149.5, 137.0, 136.1, 131.3, 128.9, 127.5, 124.5, 124.1, 124.0, 121.0, 116.3, 114.1, 109.2, 55.5, 42.7, 34.4, 30.2, 18.6. HRMS (ESI): exact mass calculated for M⁺ (C₃₂H₃₈NO₄) requires m/z 500.2801, found m/z 500.2796. The enantiomeric ratio was determined to be 90:10 by HPLC. [IA column, 254 nm, n-hexane:IPA = 9:1, 0.8 mL/min]: 14.9 min (major), 40.3 min (minor).

(S)-N-(2-chlorophenyl)-4-(3,5-di-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-2-methyl-4H-chromene-3-carboxamide (6ad)



White solid, 79% yield. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz): δ (ppm) 8.31-8.30 (m, 1H), 7.67 (s, 1H), 7.24-7.13 (m, 6H), 7.03-6.94 (m, 3H), 5.14 (s, 1H), 4.80 (s, 1H), 2.48 (s, 3H), 1.40 (s, 18H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 MHz): δ (ppm) 166.5, 157.8, 153.4, 149.3, 136.8, 135.2, 134.7, 128.9, 128.4, 127.4, 127.4, 124.3, 124.2, 123.9, 121.8, 116.3, 108.5, 42.5, 34.3, 30.1, 18.8. HRMS (ESI): exact mass calculated for M⁺ (C₃₁H₃₅ClNO₃) requires m/z 504.2305, found m/z 504.2301. The enantiomeric ratio was determined to be 94:6 by HPLC. [IA column, 254 nm, n-hexane:IPA = 9:1, 0.8 mL/min]: 6.8 min (major), 10.9 min (minor).

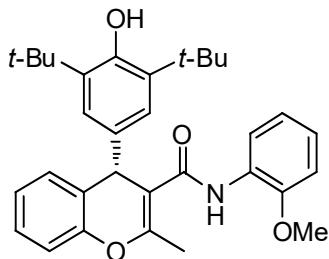
(S)-4-(3,5-di-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-2-methyl-N-(o-tolyl)-4H-chromene-3-carboxamide (6ae)



White solid, 84% yield. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz): δ (ppm) 7.92-7.90 (m, 1H), 7.21-7.13 (m, 5H), 7.01-6.97 (m, 5H), 5.18 (s, 1H), 4.79 (s, 1H), 2.48 (s, 3H), 1.52 (s, 3H), 1.40 (s, 18H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 MHz): δ (ppm) 166.4, 157.2, 153.5, 149.3, 137.1, 136.2, 135.1, 130.2, 128.4,

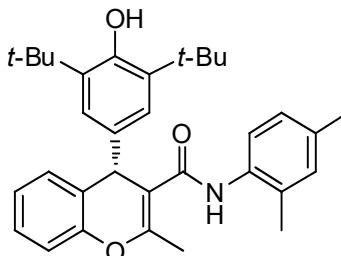
127.4, 126.6, 124.2, 123.8, 122.0, 116.4, 110.0, 108.4, 42.6, 34.4, 30.1, 18.7, 16.7. HRMS (ESI): exact mass calculated for M^+ ($C_{32}H_{38}NO_3$) requires m/z 484.2852, found m/z 484.2847. The enantiomeric ratio was determined to be 93:7 by HPLC. [IA column, 254 nm, n-hexane:IPA = 9:1, 0.8 mL/min]: 10.6 min (major), 21.1 min (minor).

(S)-4-(3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-N-(2-methoxyphenyl)-2-methyl-4*H*-chromene-3-carboxamide (6af)



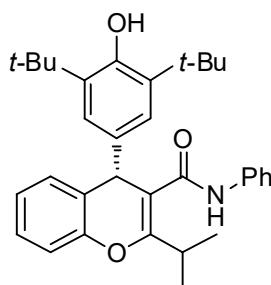
White solid, 80% yield. 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 500 MHz): δ (ppm) 8.29-8.27 (m, 1H), 7.68 (s, 1H), 7.17-7.13 (m, 4H), 7.02-6.91 (m, 4H), 6.76-6.75 (m, 1H), 5.13 (s, 1H), 4.83 (s, 1H), 3.57 (s, 3H), 2.41 (s, 3H), 1.38 (s, 18H). ^{13}C NMR ($CDCl_3$, 125 MHz): δ (ppm) 166.5, 155.2, 152.9, 149.7, 148.1, 136.3, 135.1, 128.6, 127.8, 127.3, 125.1, 124.0, 123.9, 123.5, 120.9, 120.1, 116.2, 110.0, 109.7, 55.8, 42.5, 34.3, 30.2, 18.6. HRMS (ESI): exact mass calculated for M^+ ($C_{32}H_{38}NO_4$) requires m/z 500.2801, found m/z 500.2795. The enantiomeric ratio was determined to be 93:7 by HPLC. [IA column, 254 nm, n-hexane:IPA = 9:1, 0.8 mL/min]: 9.3 min (major), 17.3 min (minor).

(S)-4-(3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-N-(2,4-dimethylphenyl)-2-methyl-4*H*-chromene-3-carboxamide (6ag)



White solid, 68% yield. 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 500 MHz): δ (ppm) 7.72-7.71 (m, 1H), 7.20-7.13 (m, 4H), 7.00-6.97 (m, 3H), 6.90 (s, 1H), 6.84 (s, 1H), 5.17 (s, 1H), 4.79 (s, 1H), 2.46 (s, 3H), 2.24 (s, 3H), 1.40 (s, 18H). ^{13}C NMR ($CDCl_3$, 125 MHz): δ (ppm) 166.4, 156.8, 153.5, 149.4, 137.0, 135.2, 134.0, 133.5, 130.8, 128.4, 127.7, 127.4, 127.1, 125.0, 124.1, 123.8, 122.3, 116.3, 108.5, 42.6, 34.4, 30.1, 20.8, 18.7, 16.7. HRMS (ESI): exact mass calculated for M^+ ($C_{33}H_{40}NO_3$) requires m/z 498.3008, found m/z 498.3002. The enantiomeric ratio was determined to be 96:4 by HPLC. [IA column, 254 nm, n-hexane:IPA = 9:1, 0.8 mL/min]: 14.9 min (major), 31.1 min (minor).

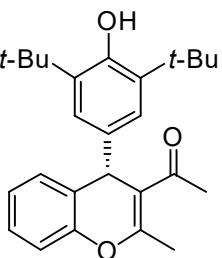
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Yellow solid, 74% yield. 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 500 MHz): δ (ppm) 7.23-7.14 (m, 7H), 7.11-7.10 (m, 1H), 7.06-6.99 (m, 4H), 5.22 (s, 1H), 4.69 (s, 1H), 3.60-3.55 (m, 1H), 1.41 (s, 18H) 1.33-1.30 (m, 6H). ^{13}C NMR ($CDCl_3$, 125 MHz): δ (ppm) 166.4, 162.6, 153.3, 149.7, 138.2, 137.2, 136.2, 128.9, 128.6, 127.4, 124.9, 124.0, 123.9, 123.8, 119.2, 116.3, 108.0, 43.1,

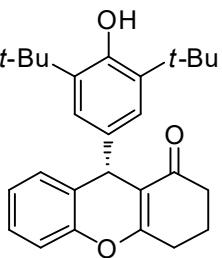
34.5, 30.3, 30.1, 20.3, 19.8. HRMS (ESI): exact mass calculated for M^+ ($C_{33}H_{40}NO_3$) requires m/z 498.3008, found m/z 498.3002. The enantiomeric ratio was determined to be 99:1 by HPLC. [IA column, 254 nm, n-hexane:IPA = 9:1, 0.8 mL/min]: 8.0 min (minor), 9.6 min (major).

(S)-1-(4-(3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-2-methyl-4*H*-chromen-3-yl)ethanone (6ai)



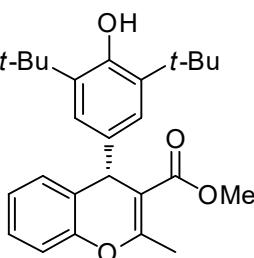
Yellow solid, 75% yield. 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 500 MHz): δ (ppm) 7.17-7.12 (m, 2H), 7.03-7.00 (m, 4H), 5.05 (s, 1H), 4.90 (s, 1H), 2.45 (s, 3H), 2.18 (s, 3H), 1.38 (s, 18H). ^{13}C NMR ($CDCl_3$, 125 MHz): δ (ppm) 199.2, 159.1, 152.5, 149.3, 136.3, 136.0, 128.8, 127.3, 125.8, 124.4, 123.9, 116.2, 114.6, 42.1, 34.3, 30.3, 30.0, 20.0. HRMS (ESI): exact mass calculated for M^+ ($C_{26}H_{33}O_3$) requires m/z 393.2430, found m/z 393.2425. The enantiomeric ratio was determined to be 95:5 by HPLC. [IA column, 254 nm, n-hexane:IPA = 9:1, 0.8 mL/min]: 5.1 min (major), 5.6 min (minor).

(S)-9-(3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-2,3,4,9-tetrahydro-1*H*-xanthene-1-one (6aj)



Yellow solid, 85% yield. 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 500 MHz): δ (ppm) 7.19-7.15 (m, 2H), 7.07-7.04 (m, 2H), 7.00 (s, 2H), 5.02 (s, 1H), 5.01 (s, 1H), 2.75-2.61 (m, 2H), 2.48-2.34 (m, 2H), 2.09-2.05 (m, 2H), 1.37 (s, 18H). ^{13}C NMR ($CDCl_3$, 125 MHz): δ (ppm) 197.0, 166.5, 152.2, 149.8, 136.6, 135.4, 129.8, 127.2, 126.3, 124.9, 124.2, 116.3, 115.3, 37.1, 37.0, 34.3, 30.3, 27.9, 20.5. HRMS (ESI): exact mass calculated for M^+ ($C_{27}H_{33}O_3$) requires m/z 405.2430, found m/z 405.2424. The enantiomeric ratio was determined to be 93:7 by HPLC. [IA column, 254 nm, n-hexane:IPA = 95:5, 0.8 mL/min]: 10.5 min (major), 12.3 min (minor).

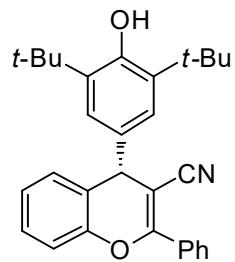
(S)-methyl 4-(3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-2-methyl-4*H*-chromene-3-carboxylate (6ak)



Yellow solid, 53% yield. 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 500 MHz): δ (ppm) 7.17-7.10 (m, 2H), 7.04-7.00 (m, 2H), 6.97 (s, 2H), 5.02 (s, 1H), 4.96 (s, 1H), 3.70 (s, 3H), 2.47 (s, 3H), 1.37 (s, 18H). ^{13}C NMR ($CDCl_3$, 125 MHz): δ (ppm) 167.8, 160.3, 152.2, 150.0, 137.1, 135.4, 129.1, 127.2, 125.7, 124.5, 124.2, 116.0, 106.9, 51.2, 41.0, 34.2, 30.3, 19.5. HRMS (ESI): exact mass calculated for M^+ ($C_{26}H_{33}O_4$) requires m/z 409.2379, found m/z 409.2374. The enantiomeric ratio was determined to be 90:10 by HPLC. [IA column, 254 nm, n-hexane:IPA = 9:1, 0.8 mL/min]: 5.2 min (major), 5.9 min (minor).

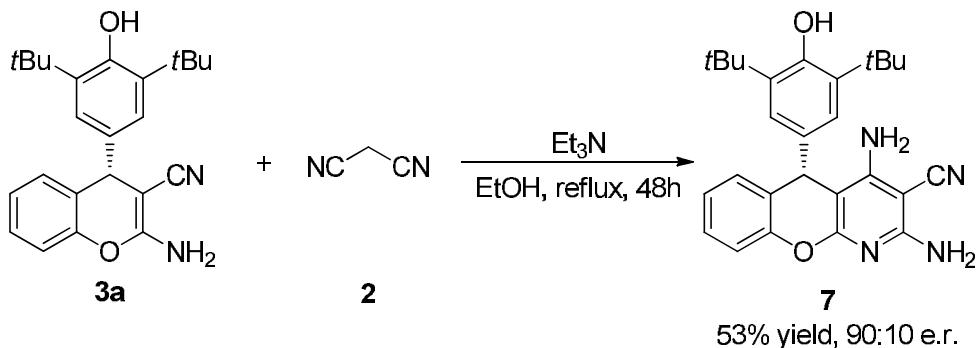
(S)-4-(3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-2-phenyl-4*H*-chromene-3-carbonitrile

(6al)



Yellow solid, 85% yield. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz): δ (ppm) 7.89-7.88 (m, 2H), 7.50-7.49 (m, 3H), 7.26-7.24 (m, 1H), 7.17-7.16 (m, 1H), 7.11-7.10 (m, 2H), 7.04 (s, 2H), 5.16 (s, 1H), 4.81 (s, 1H), 1.40 (s, 18H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 MHz): δ (ppm) 160.0, 153.2, 149.5, 136.2, 134.4, 132.0, 131.0, 129.4, 128.5, 128.2, 128.1, 125.3, 124.5, 122.4, 119.2, 116.7, 89.1, 43.0, 34.3, 30.2. HRMS (ESI): exact mass calculated for M^+ ($\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{32}\text{NO}_2$) requires m/z 438.2433, found m/z 438.2434. The enantiomeric ratio was determined to be >99:1 by HPLC. [IA column, 254 nm, n-hexane:IPA = 95:5, 0.8 mL/min]: 7.8 min (major), 8.3 min (minor).

E: The Synthetic Transformations

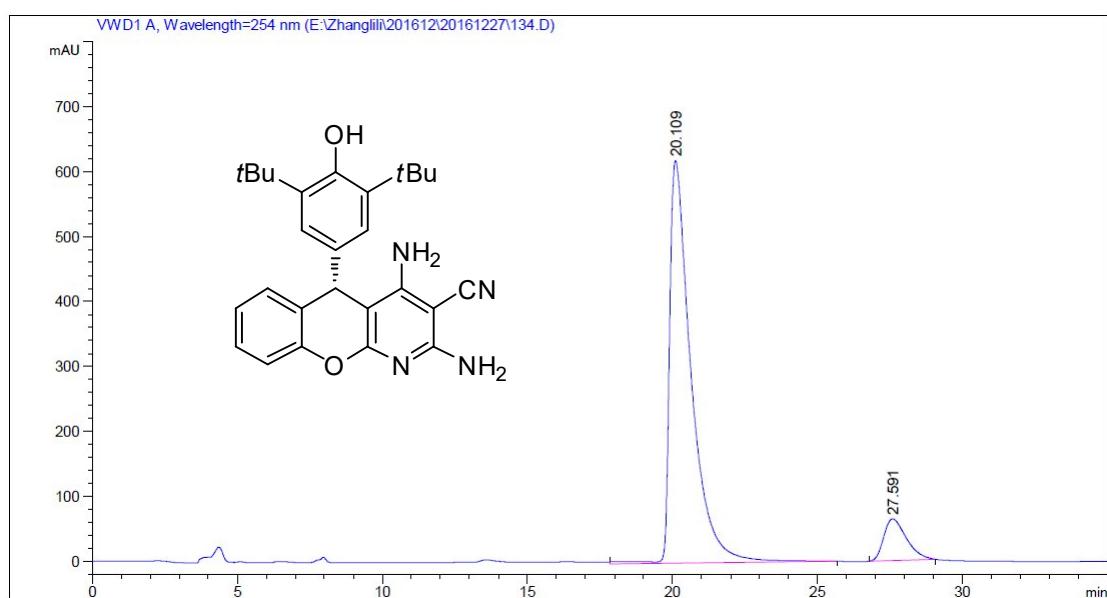
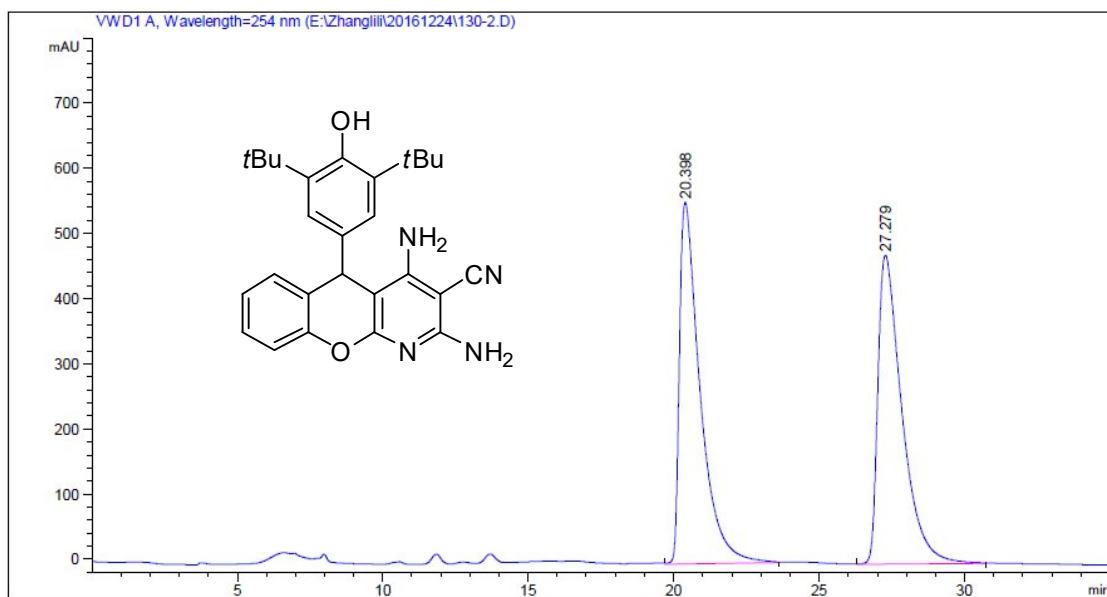


To a solution of **3a** (64.0 mg, 0.17 mmol) and malononitrile **2** (22.0 mg, 0.17 mmol) in 4.0 mL of ethanol was added Et₃N (0.05 mmol) dropwise at room temperature. The resulting mixture was refluxed for 48h and then allowed to cool to room temperature. The solvent was removed under vacuum and the residue was purified by silica gel chromatography to afford the desired product **7** as a yellow solid (39.4 mg, 53% yield, 90:10 e.r.).

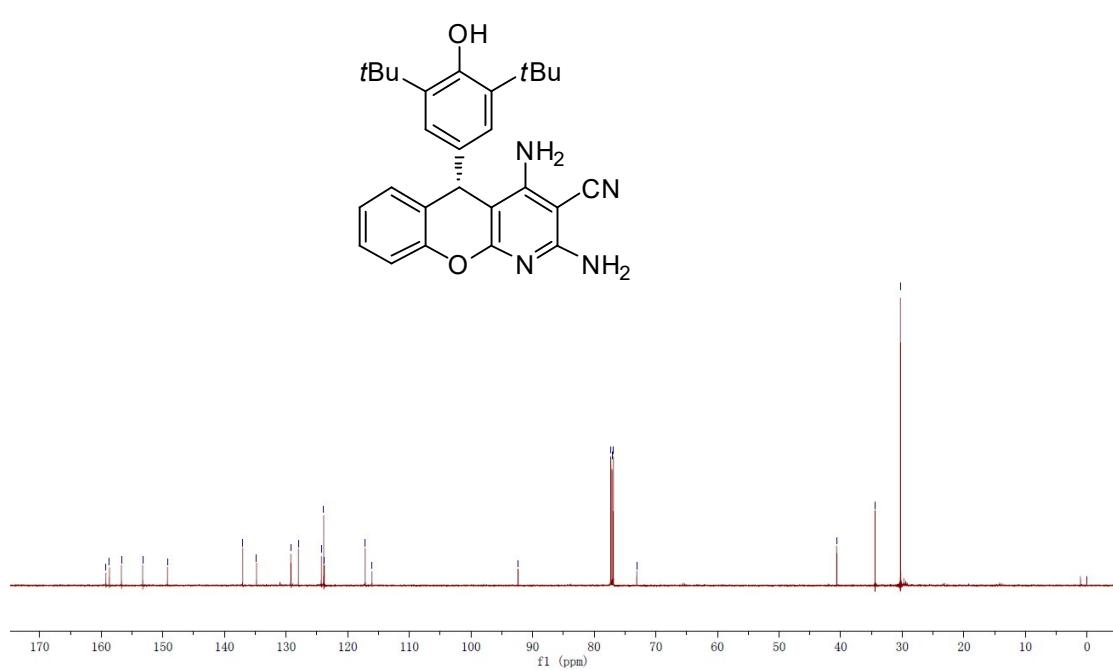
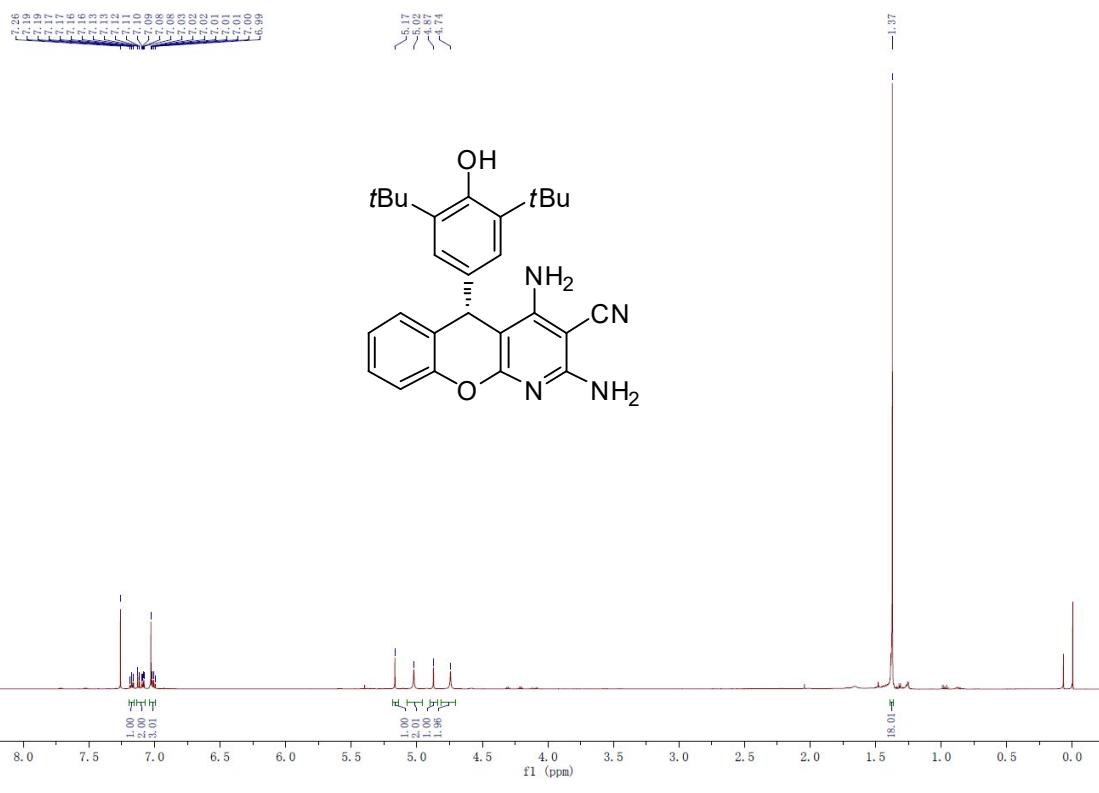
(*S*)-2,4-diamino-5-(3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-5*H*-chromeno[2,3-*b*]pyridine-3-carbonitrile (**7**)

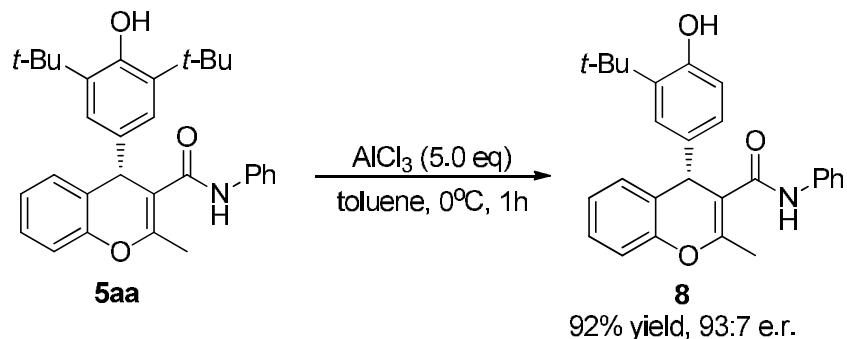
Yellow solid, 53% yield. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz): δ (ppm) 7.19-7.16 (m, 1H), 7.13-7.08 (m, 2H), 7.03-6.99 (m, 3H), 5.17 (s, 1H), 5.02 (s, 2H), 4.87 (s, 1H), 4.74 (s, 2H), 1.37 (s, 18H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 MHz): δ (ppm) 159.2, 158.7, 156.7, 153.3, 149.3, 137.0, 134.8, 129.2, 128.0, 124.3, 123.9, 123.8, 117.2, 116.1, 92.4, 73.0, 40.6, 34.4, 30.3. HRMS (ESI): exact mass calculated for M⁺ (C₂₇H₃₁N₄O₂) requires m/z 443.2447, found m/z 443.2451. The enantiomeric ratio was determined to be 90:10 by HPLC. [IA column, 254 nm, *n*-hexane:IPA = 93:7, 0.8 mL/min]: 27.6 min (minor), 20.1 min (major).

(S)-2,4-diamino-5-(3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-5*H*-chromeno[2,3-*b*]pyridine-3-carbonitrile (7)



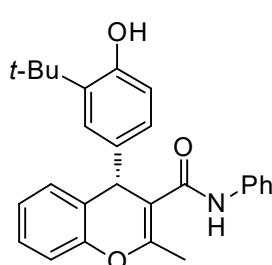
(S)-2,4-diamino-5-(3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-5*H*-chromeno[2,3-*b*]pyridine-3-carbonitrile (7)

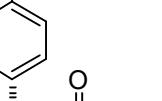




To a solution of compound **5aa** (17.6 mg, 0.038 mol) in dry toluene (1.5 mL) was added AlCl₃ (25.27 mg, 5.0 eq) at 0°C and the reaction mixture was stirred at 0°C for 1h. Then the solvent was concentrated under reduced pressure to give a residue, which was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel to afford the product **8** as a white solid (14.5 mg, 92% yield, 93:7 e.r.).

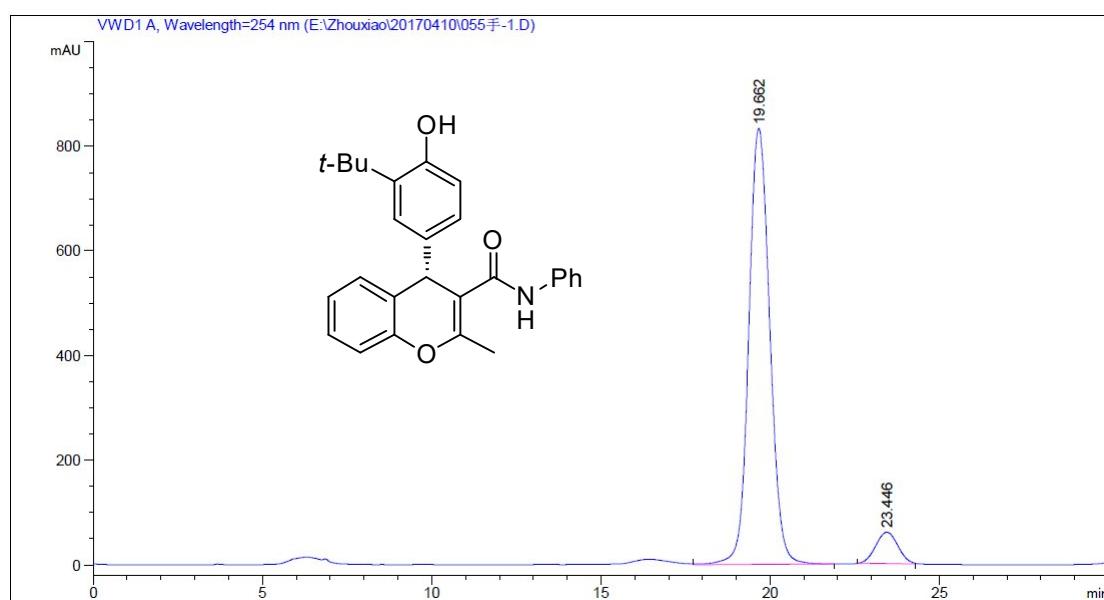
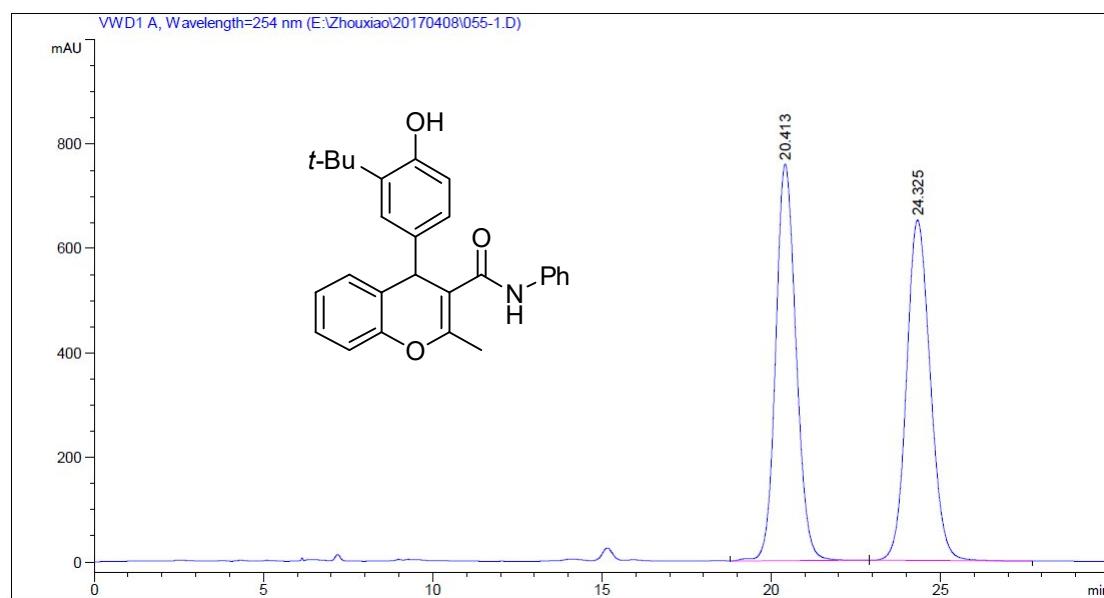
(S)-4-(3-(*tert*-butyl)-4-hydroxyphenyl)-2-methyl-N-phenyl-4*H*-chromene-3-carboxamide (8)



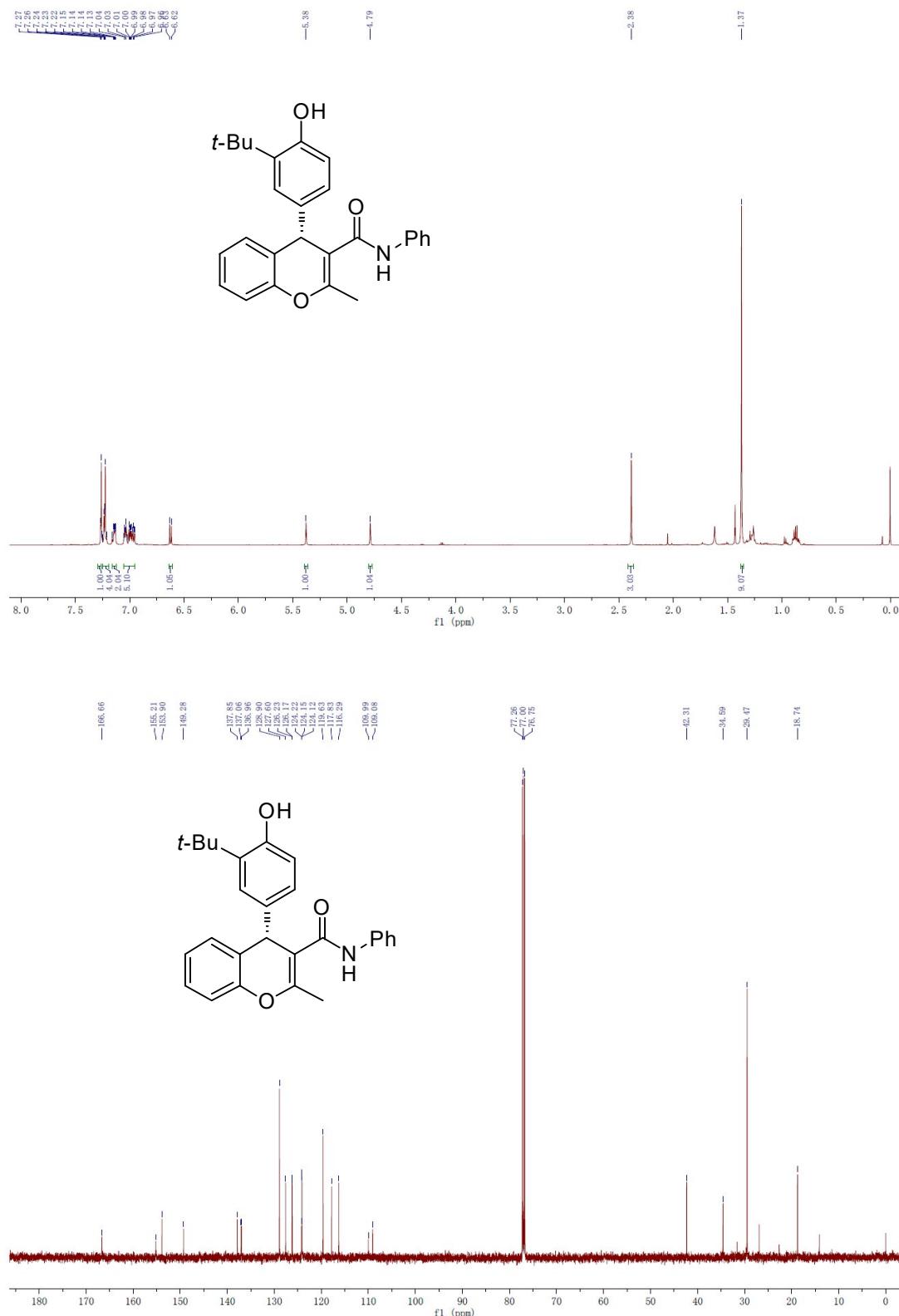


 White solid, 92% yield. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz): δ (ppm) 7.27-7.26 (m, 1H), 7.24-7.21 (m, 4H), 7.16-7.13 (m, 2H), 7.06-6.95 (m, 5H), 6.63-6.62 (m, 1H), 5.38 (s, 1H), 4.79 (s, 1H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 1.37 (s, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 MHz): δ (ppm) 166.7, 155.2, 153.9, 149.3, 137.9, 137.1, 137.0, 128.9, 127.6, 126.2, 126.2, 124.2, 124.2, 124.1, 119.6, 117.8, 116.3, 110.0, 109.1, 42.3, 34.6, 29.5, 18.7. HRMS (ESI): exact mass calculated for M^+ ($\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{28}\text{NO}_3$) requires m/z 414.2069, found m/z 414.2064. The enantiomeric ratio was determined to be 93:7 by HPLC. [IA column, 254 nm, n-hexane:IPA = 95:5, 0.8 mL/min]: 19.7 min (major), 23.4 min (minor).

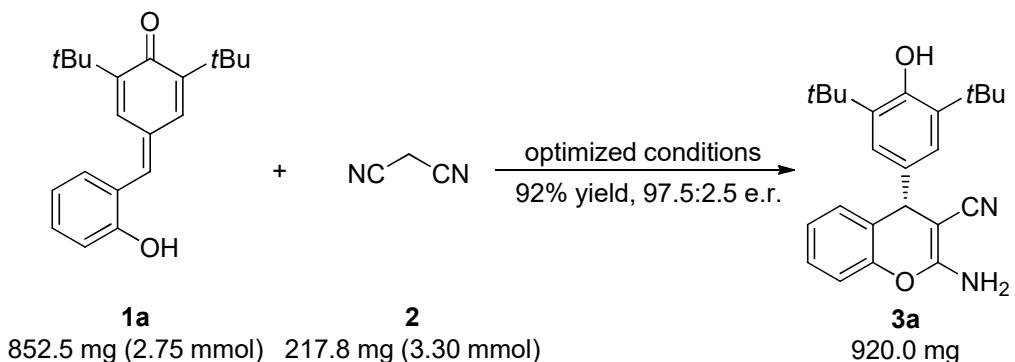
(S)-4-(3-(*tert*-butyl)-4-hydroxyphenyl)-2-methyl-N-phenyl-4*H*-chromene-3-carboxamide (8)



(S)-4-(3-(*tert*-butyl)-4-hydroxyphenyl)-2-methyl-N-phenyl-4*H*-chromene-3-carboxamide (8)

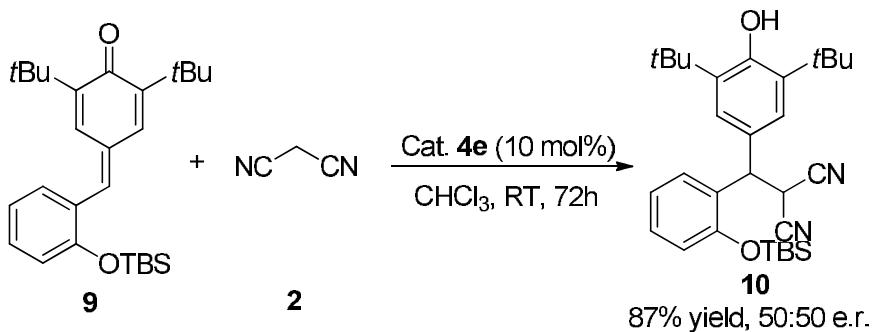


F: Gram Scale Reaction



To a solution of CHCl_3 (50.0 mL) were added quinone methide **1a** (852.5 mg, 2.75 mmol), malononitrile **2** (217.8 mg, 3.3 mmol) and catalyst **4e** (88.0 mg, 0.14 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 48h. The solvent is evaporated to give the crude product, which is purified by silica gel chromatography to provide the desired product **3a** as a white solid (920.0 mg, 92% yield, 97.5:2.5 e.r.).

G: The Mechanistic Study

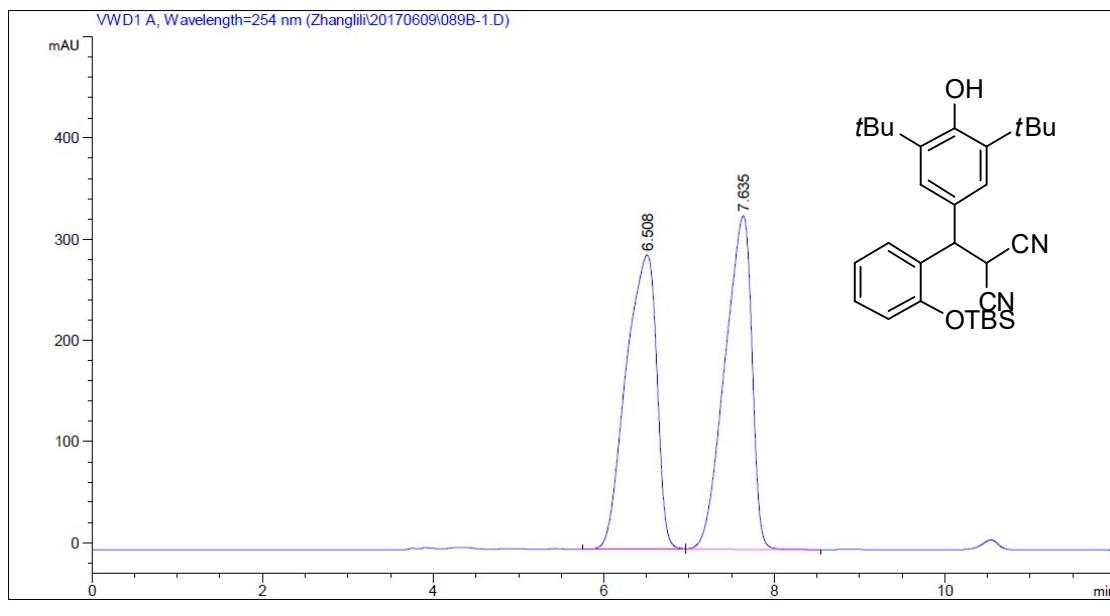


To a solution of CHCl_3 (0.3 mL) were added TBS-protected quinone methide **9** (21.2 mg, 0.05 mmol), malononitrile **2** (3.96 mg, 0.06 mmol) and catalyst **4e** (3.15 mg, 0.005 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 72h. The solvent is evaporated to give the crude product, which is directly purified by silica gel chromatography to provide the desired product **10** as a white solid (21.3 mg, 87% yield, 50:50 e.r.).

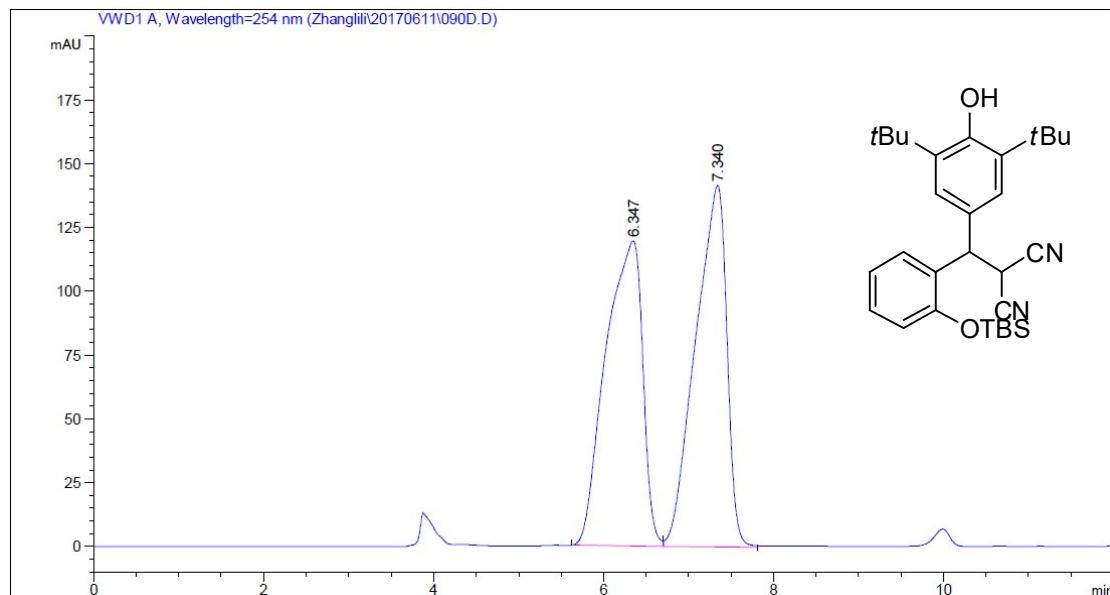
2-((2-((tert-Butyldimethylsilyl)oxy)phenyl)(3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)methyl)malononitrile (**10**)

White solid, 87% yield. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz): δ (ppm) 7.27-7.25 (m, 1H), 7.23-7.20 (m, 1H), 7.14 (s, 2H), 7.01-6.98 (m, 1H), 6.88 (d, $J = 10.0$ Hz, 1H), 5.24 (s, 1H), 4.99 (d, $J = 10.0$ Hz, 1H), 4.42 (d, $J = 10.0$ Hz, 1H), 1.41 (s, 18H), 0.99 (s, 9H), 0.31 (s, 3H), 0.20 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 MHz): δ (ppm) 153.7, 153.0, 136.2, 129.2, 128.4, 128.3, 127.1, 124.9, 121.5, 118.7, 112.6, 112.5, 44.9, 34.4, 30.1, 28.4, 25.9, 18.3, -3.9, -4.2. HRMS (ESI): exact mass calculated for M^+ ($\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{43}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{Si}$) requires m/z 491.3094, found m/z 491.3090. The enantiomeric ratio was determined to be 50:50 by HPLC. [IA column, 254 nm, *n*-hexane:IPA = 98:2, 0.8 mL/min]: 6.3 min, 7.3 min.

2-((2-((*tert*-Butyldimethylsilyl)oxy)phenyl)(3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)methyl)malononitrile (10)

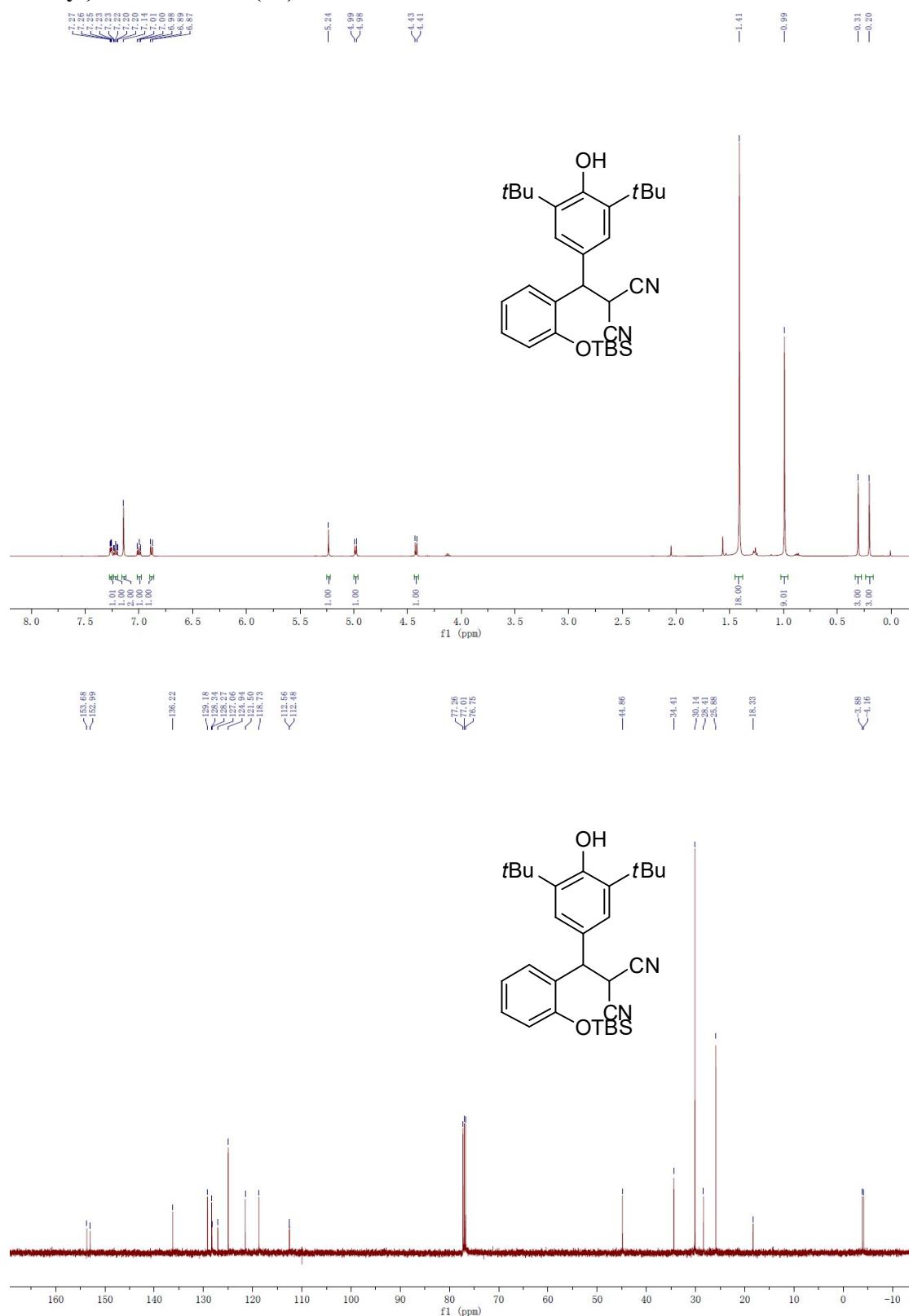


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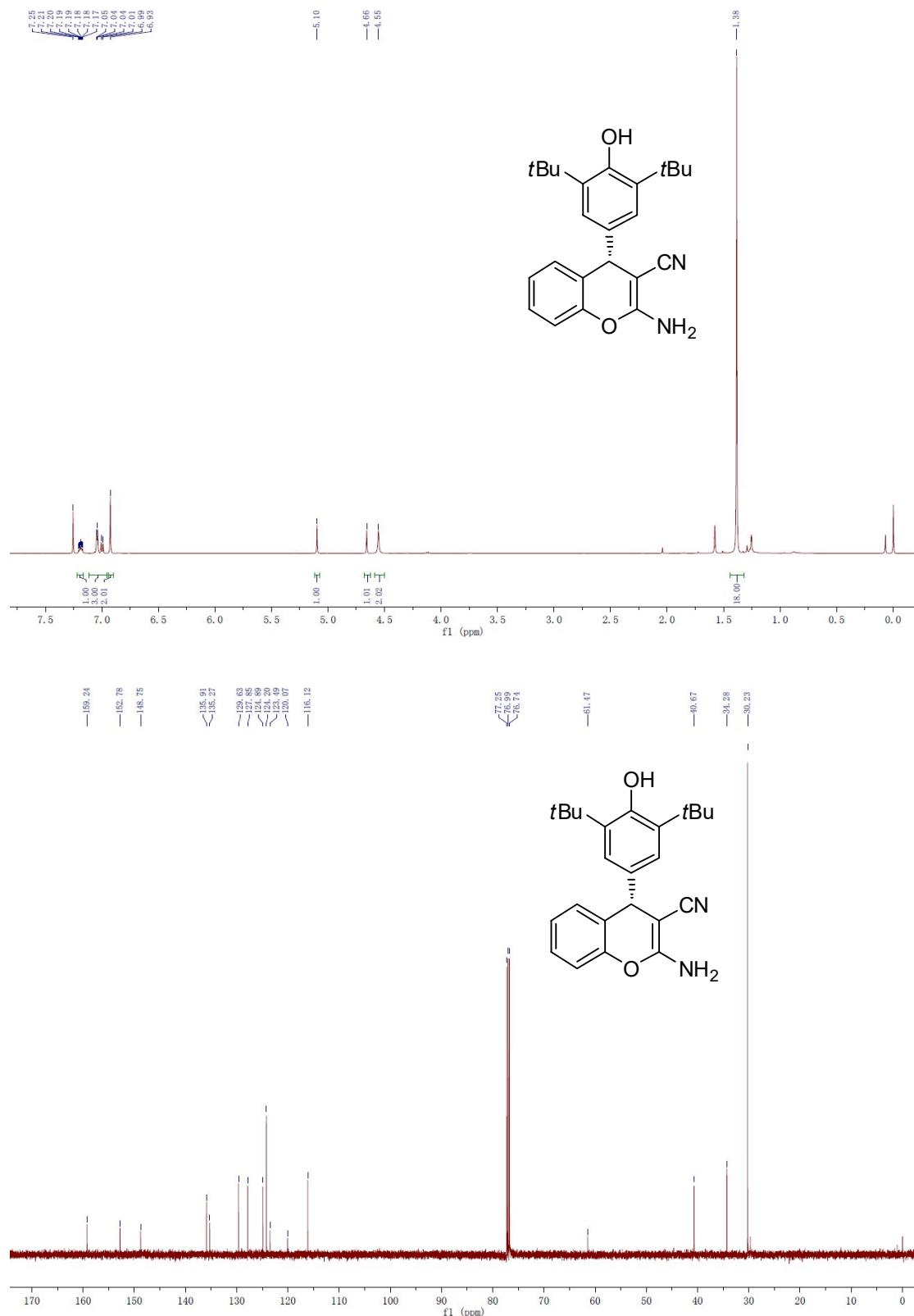
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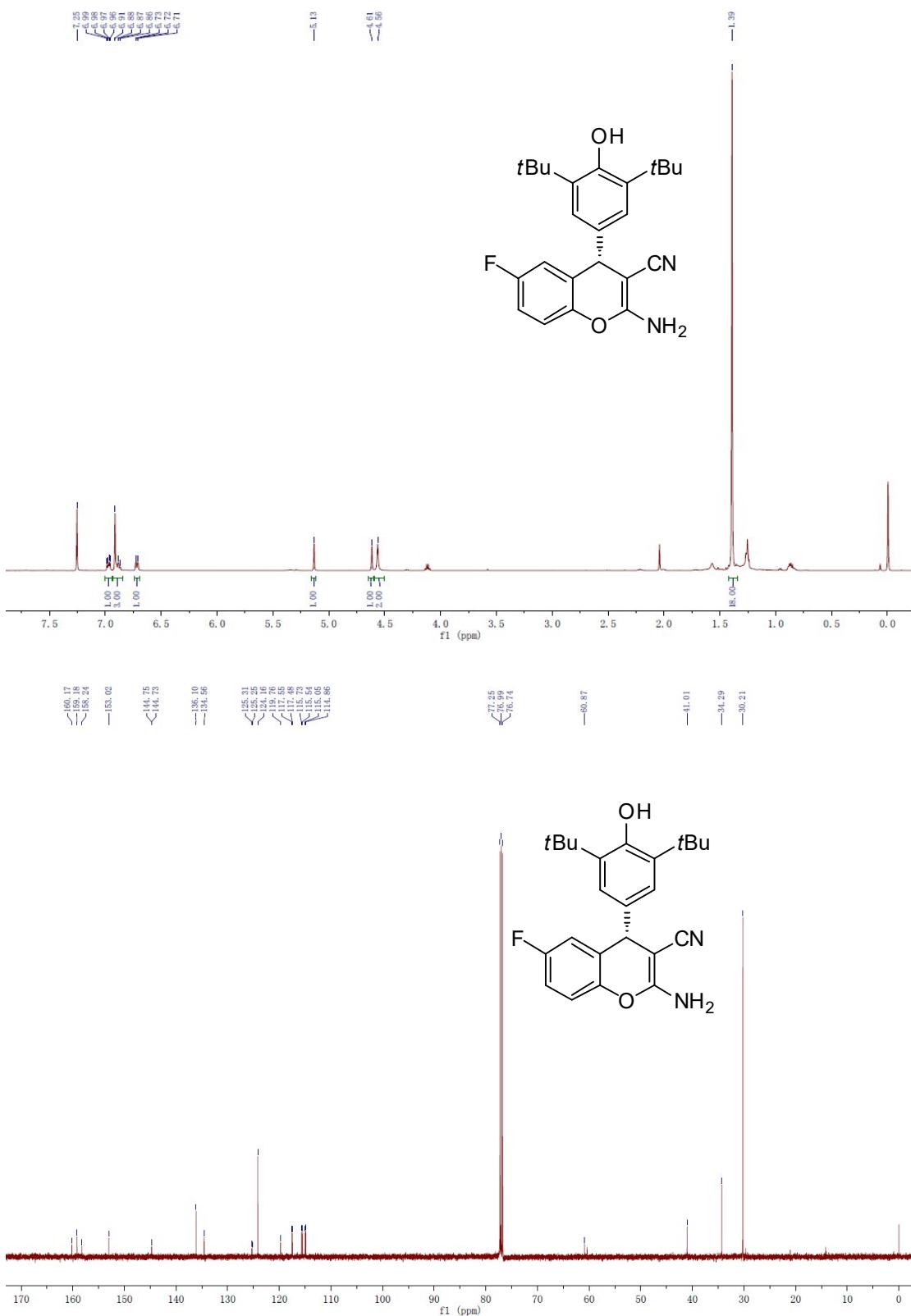


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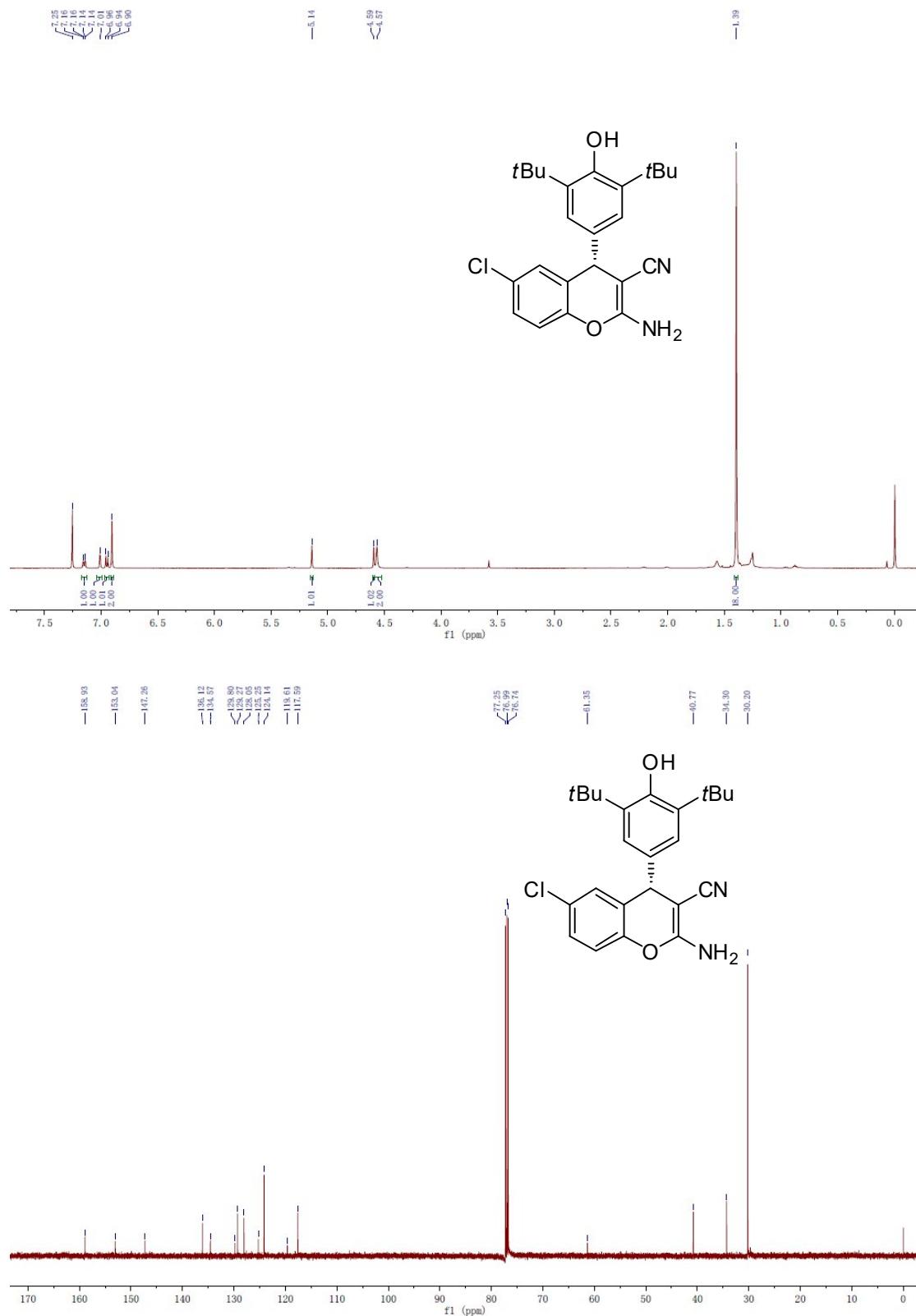
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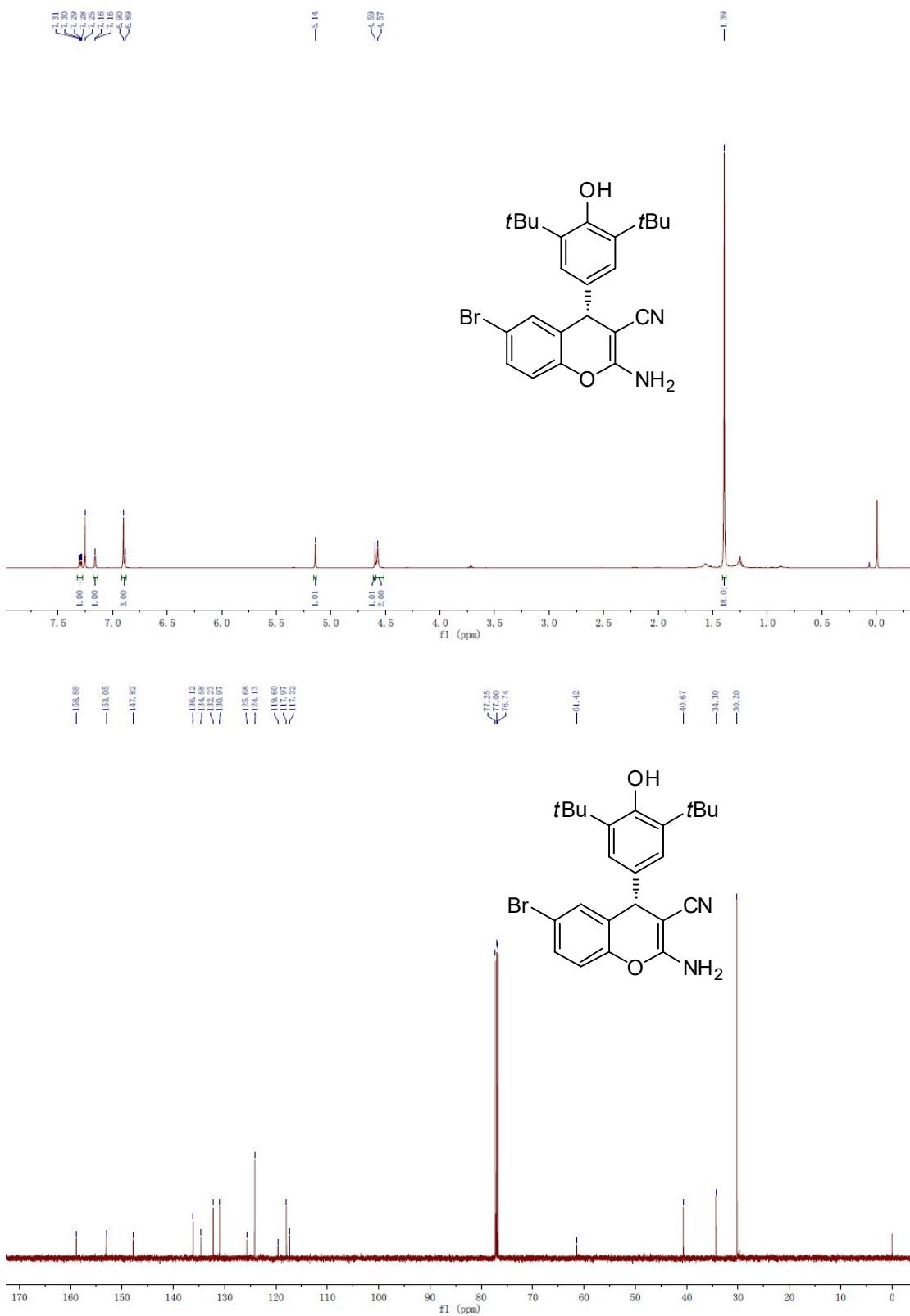
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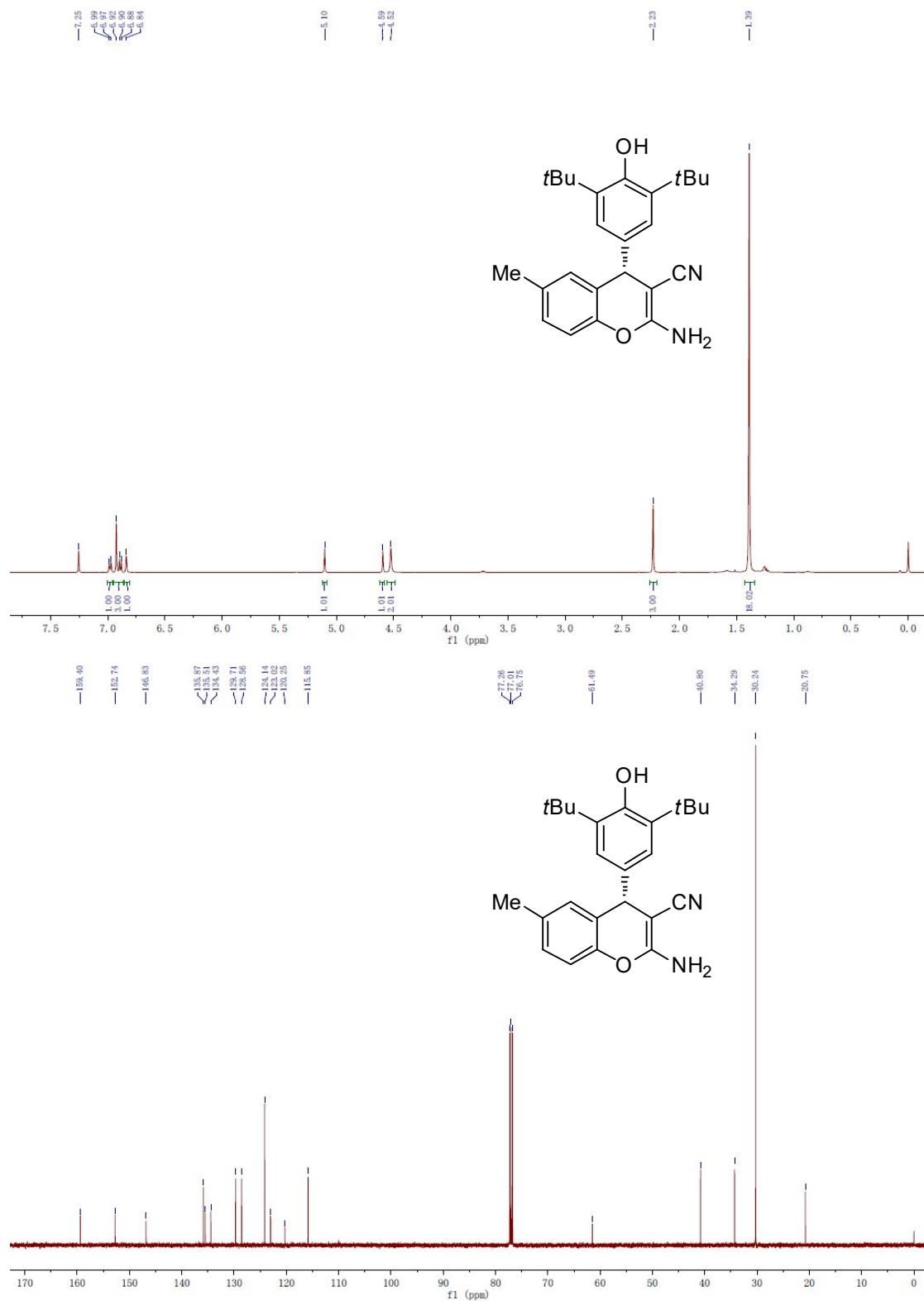
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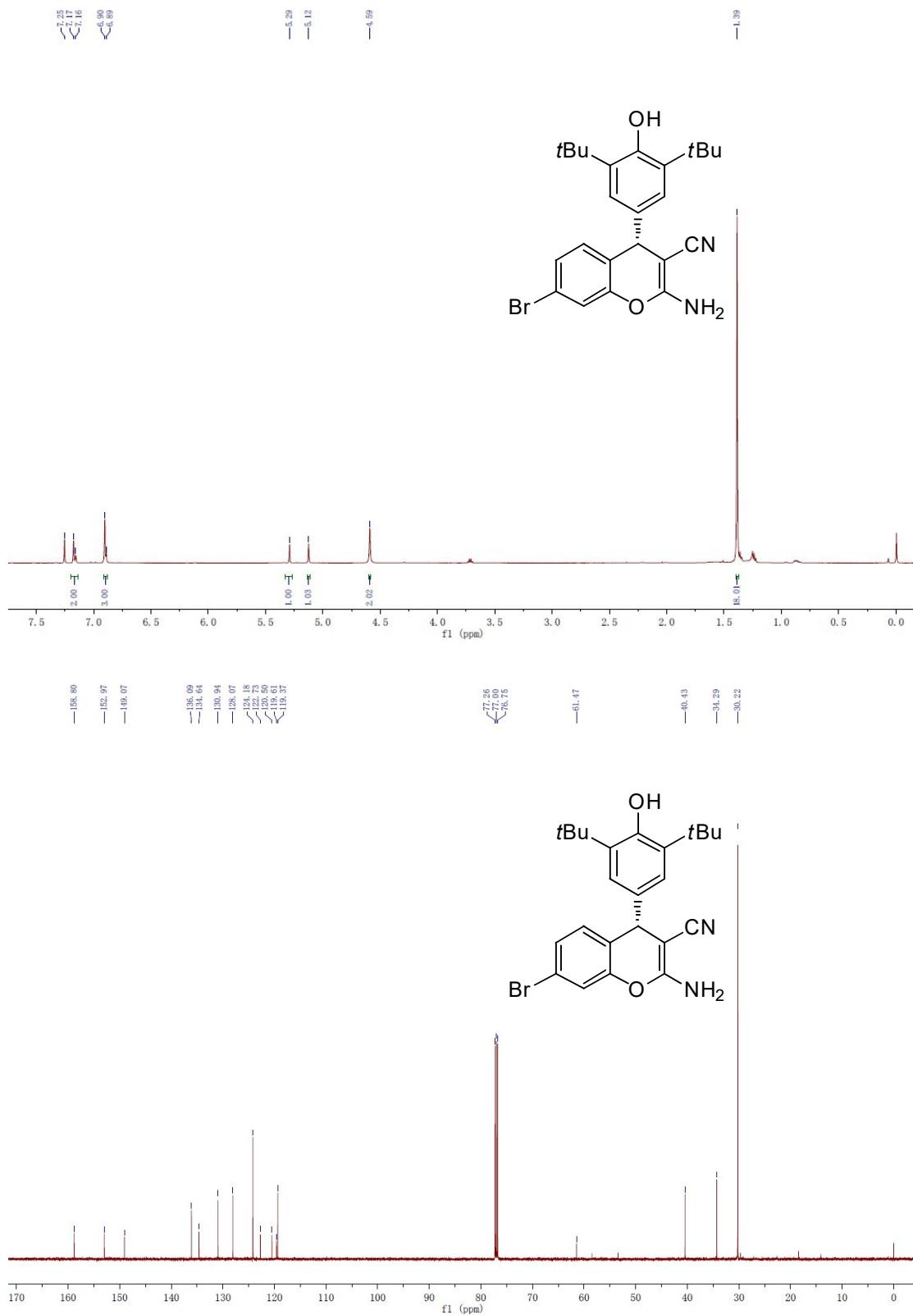
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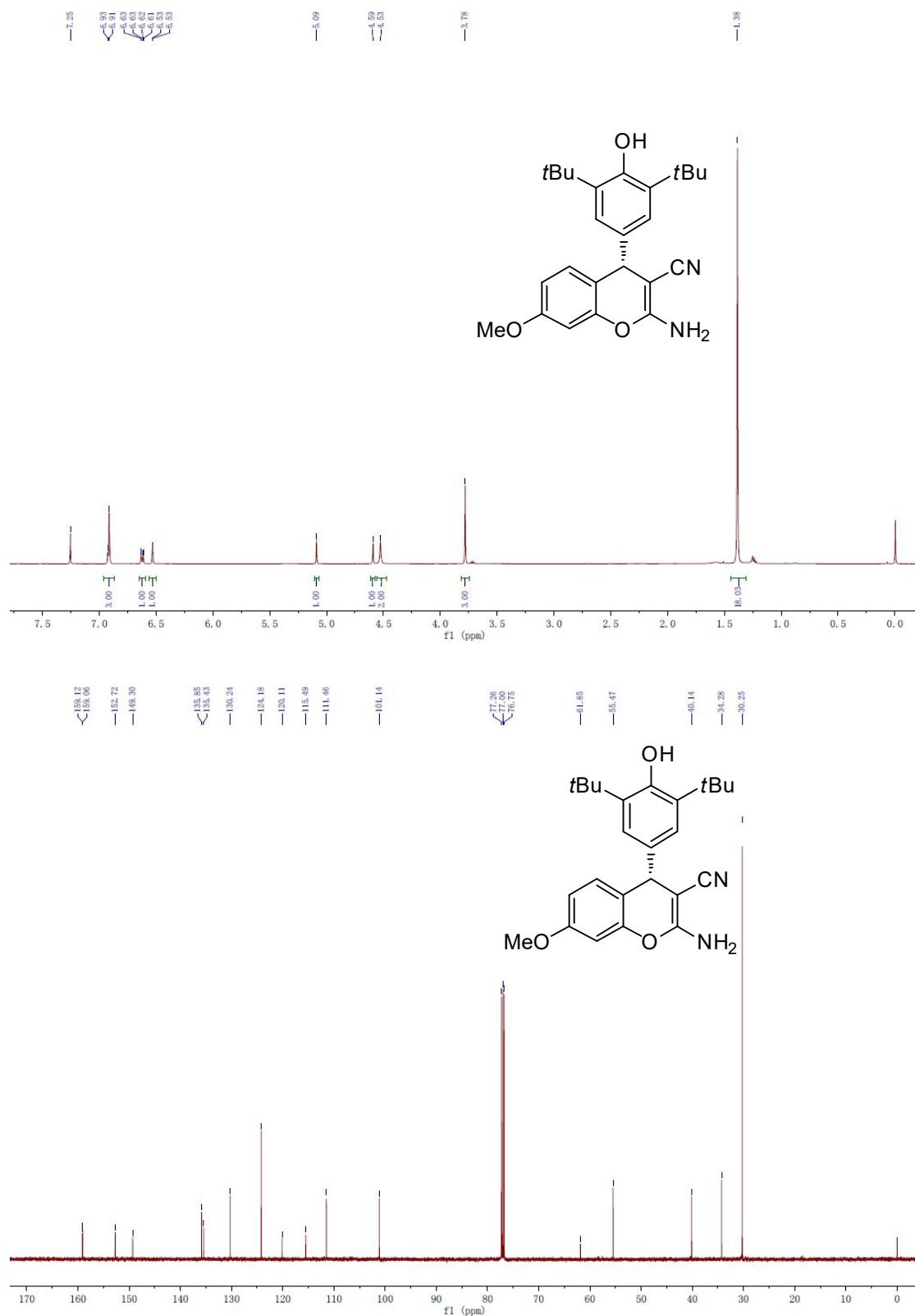
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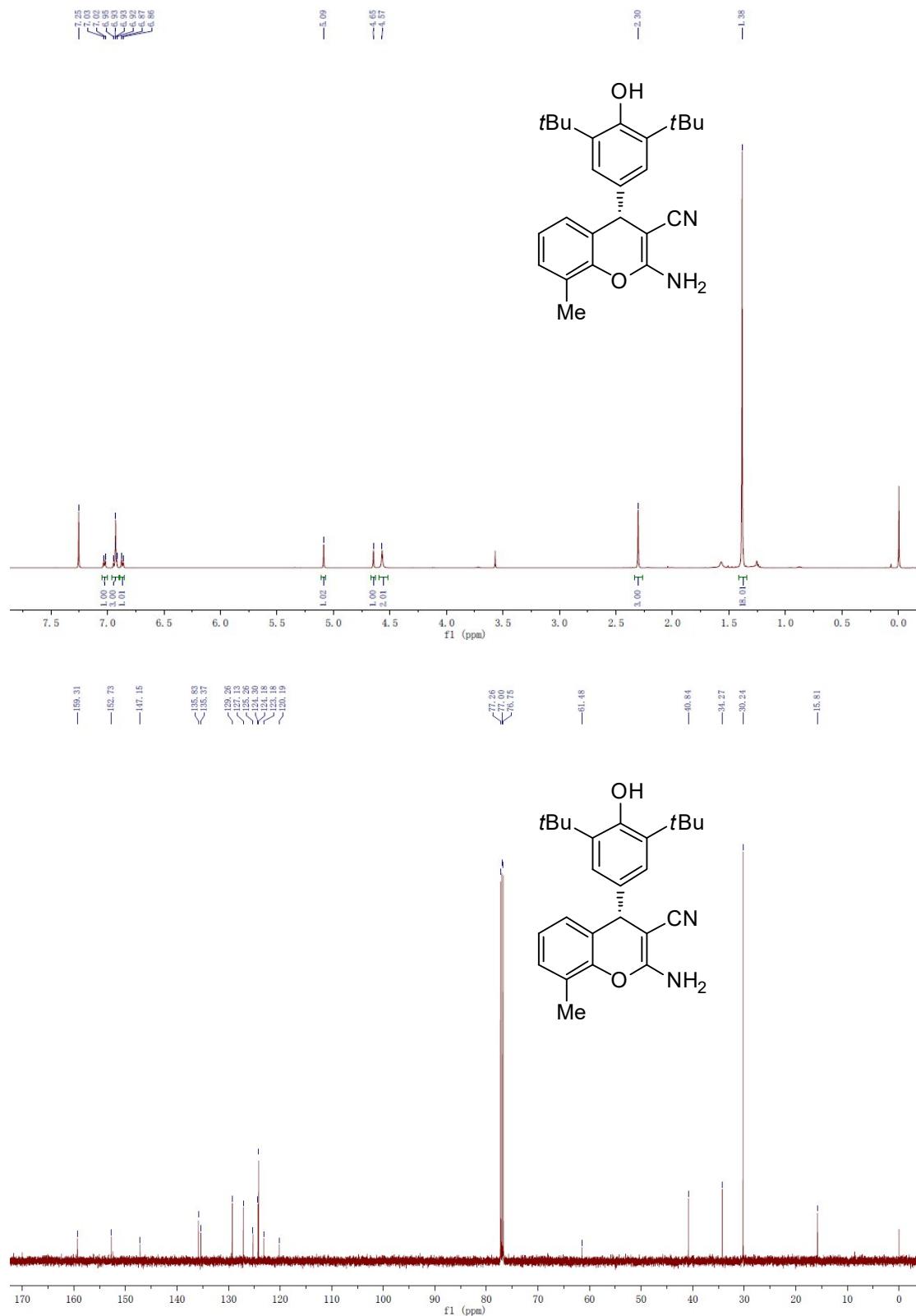
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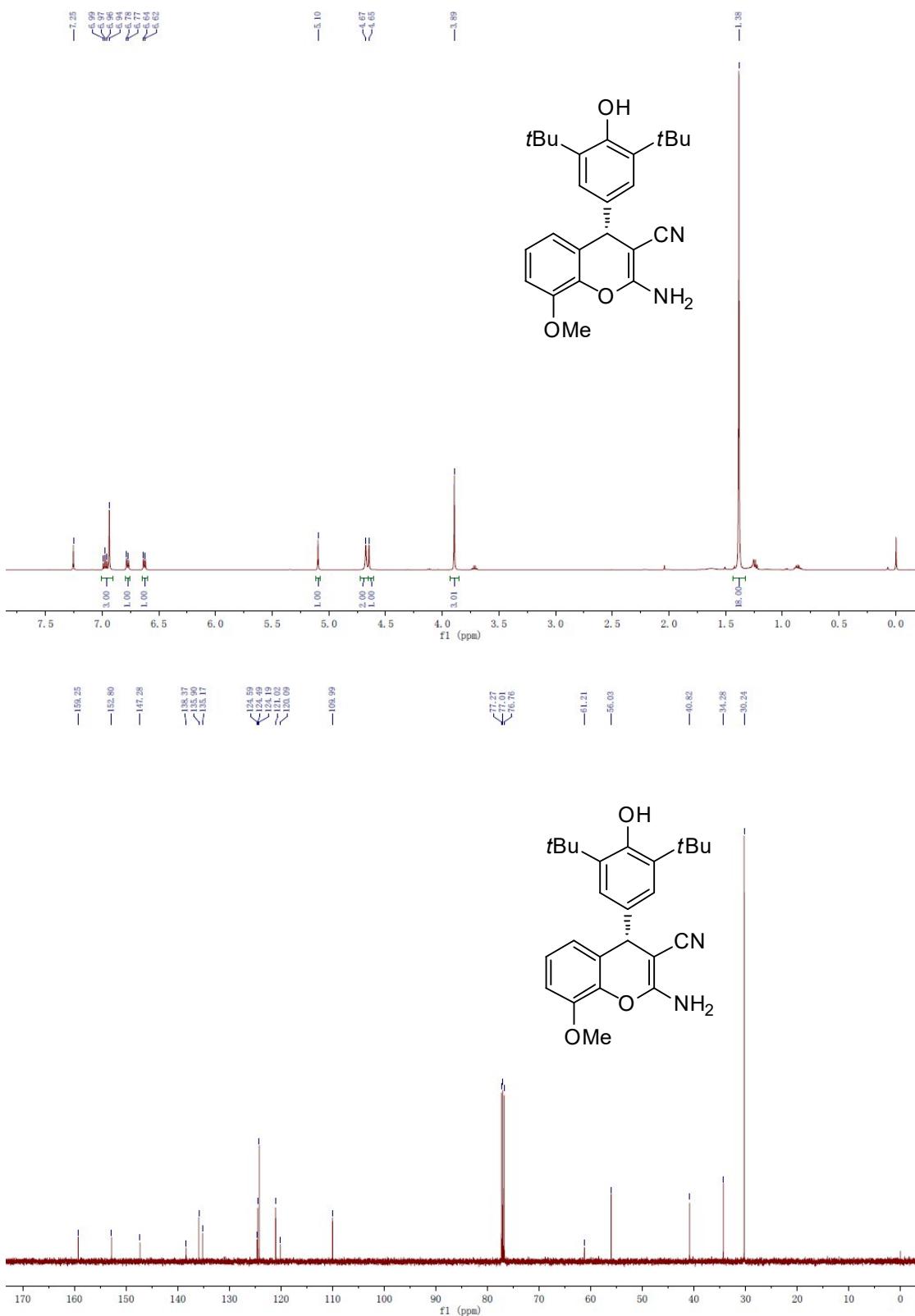
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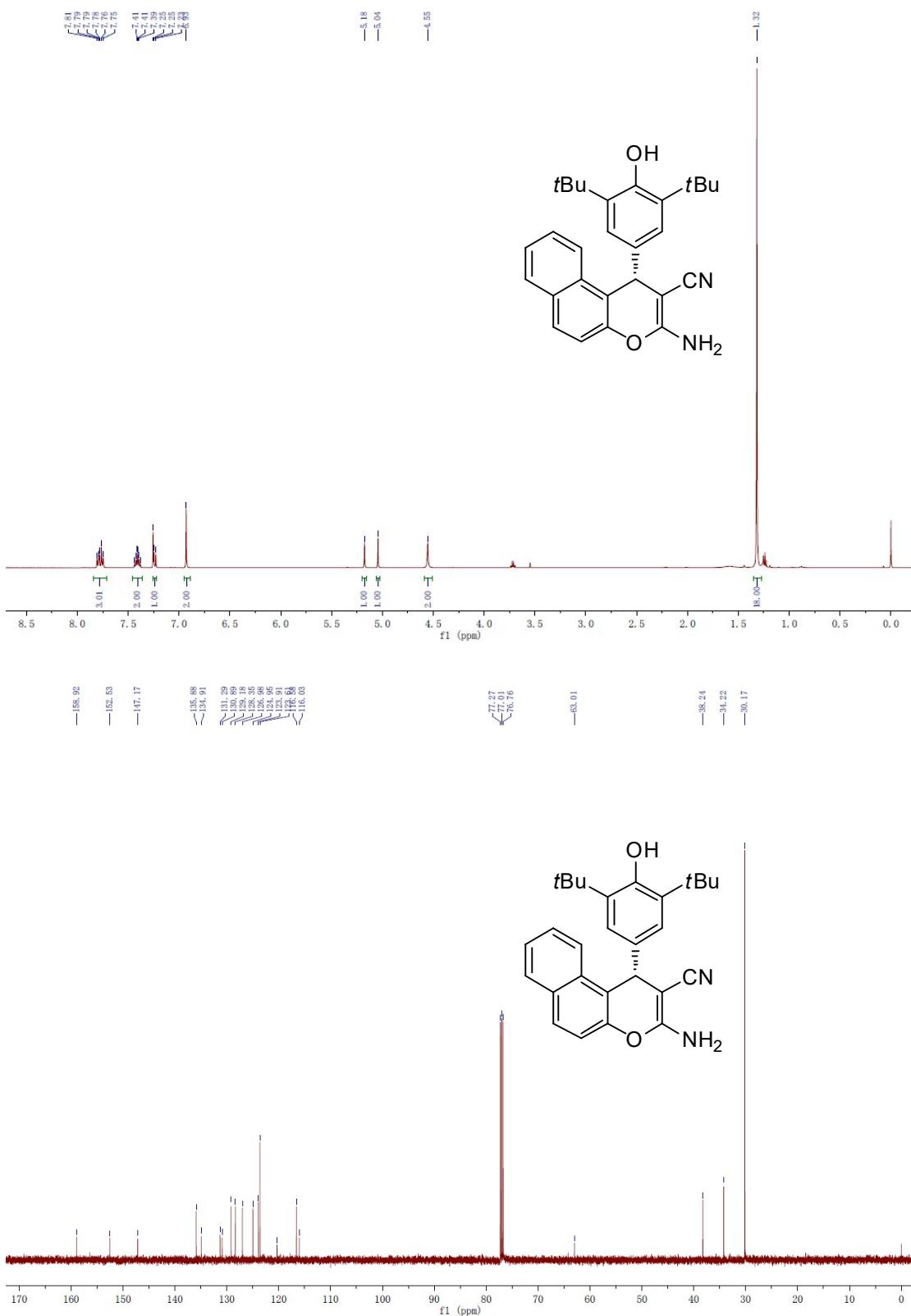
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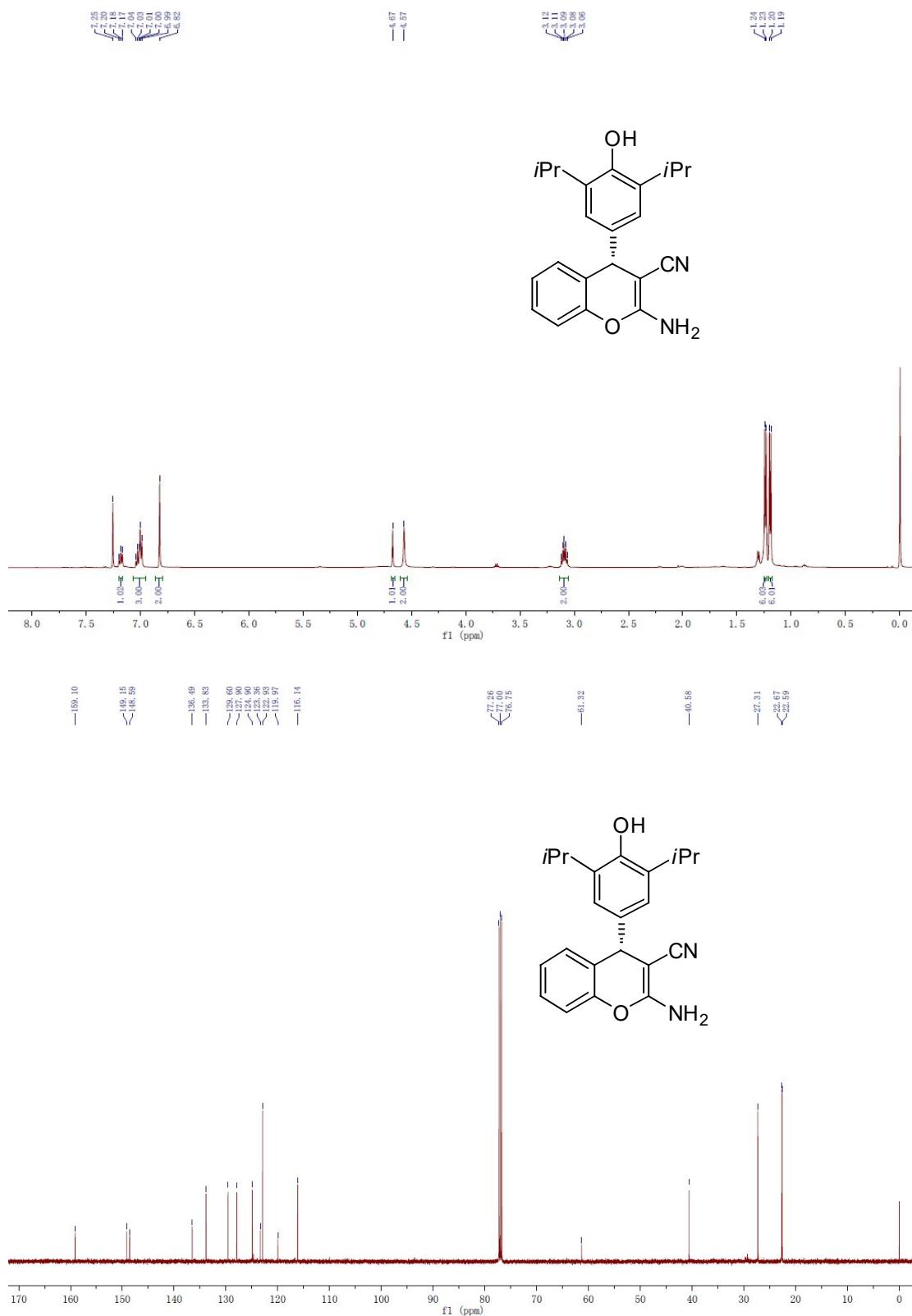
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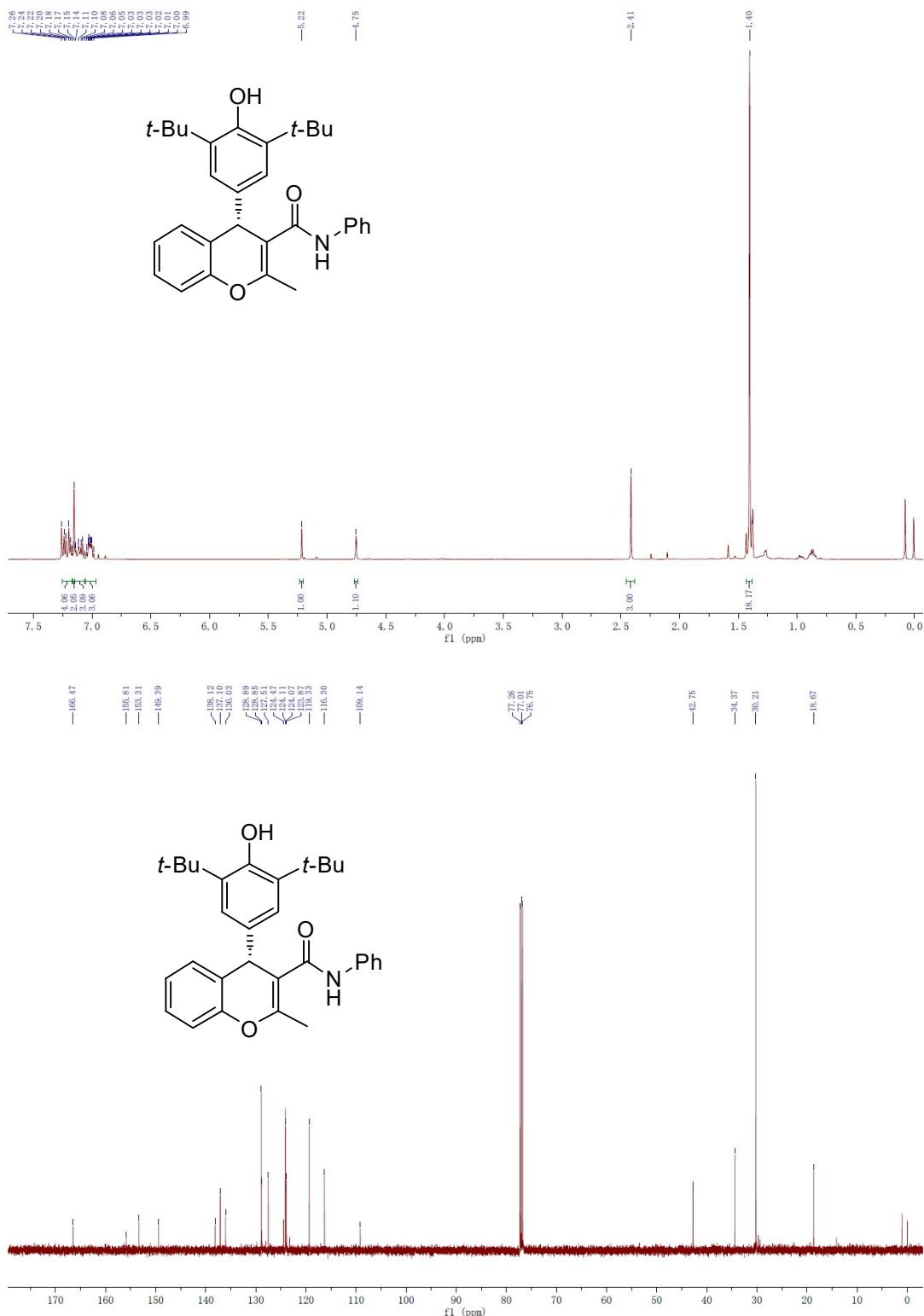
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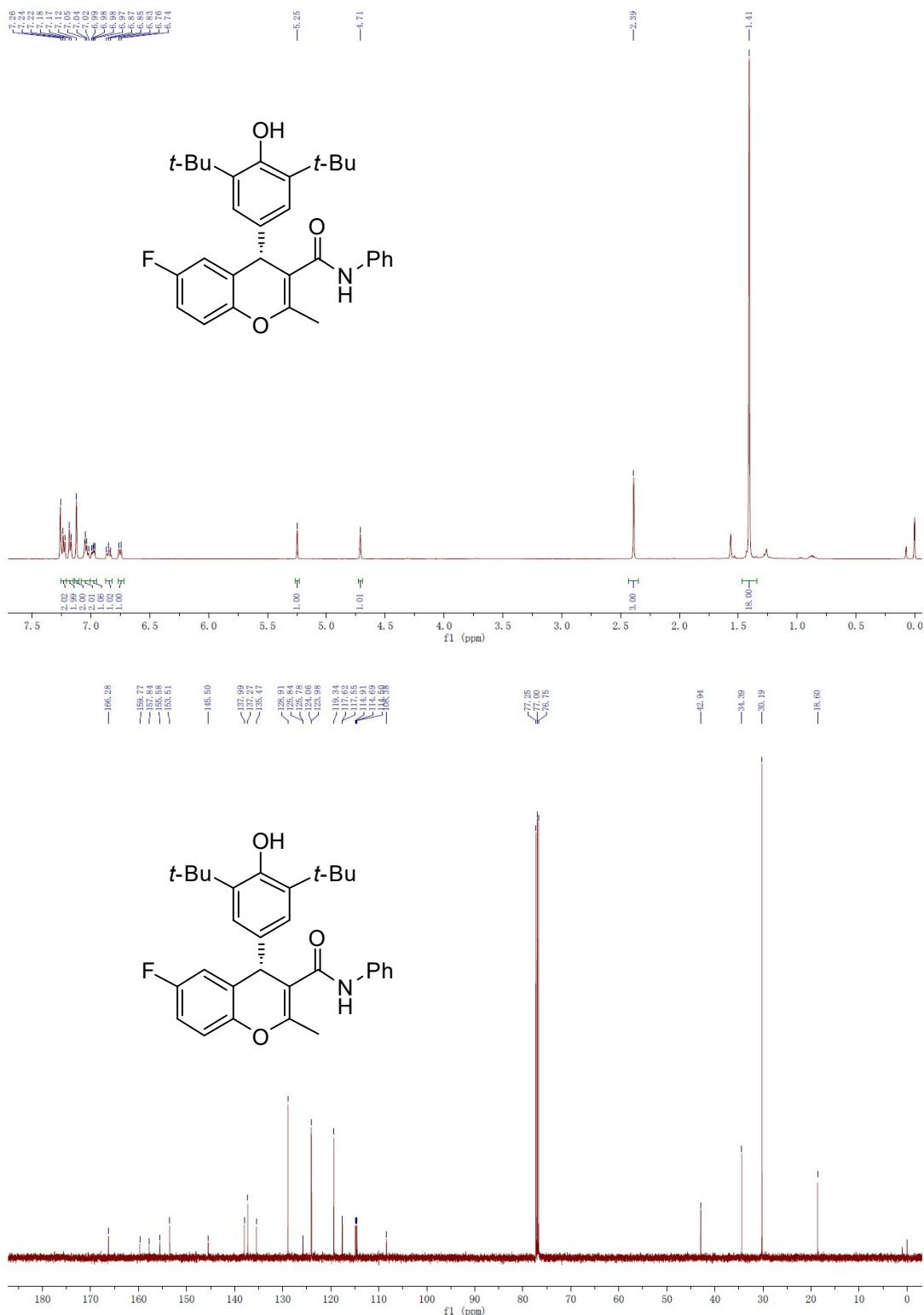
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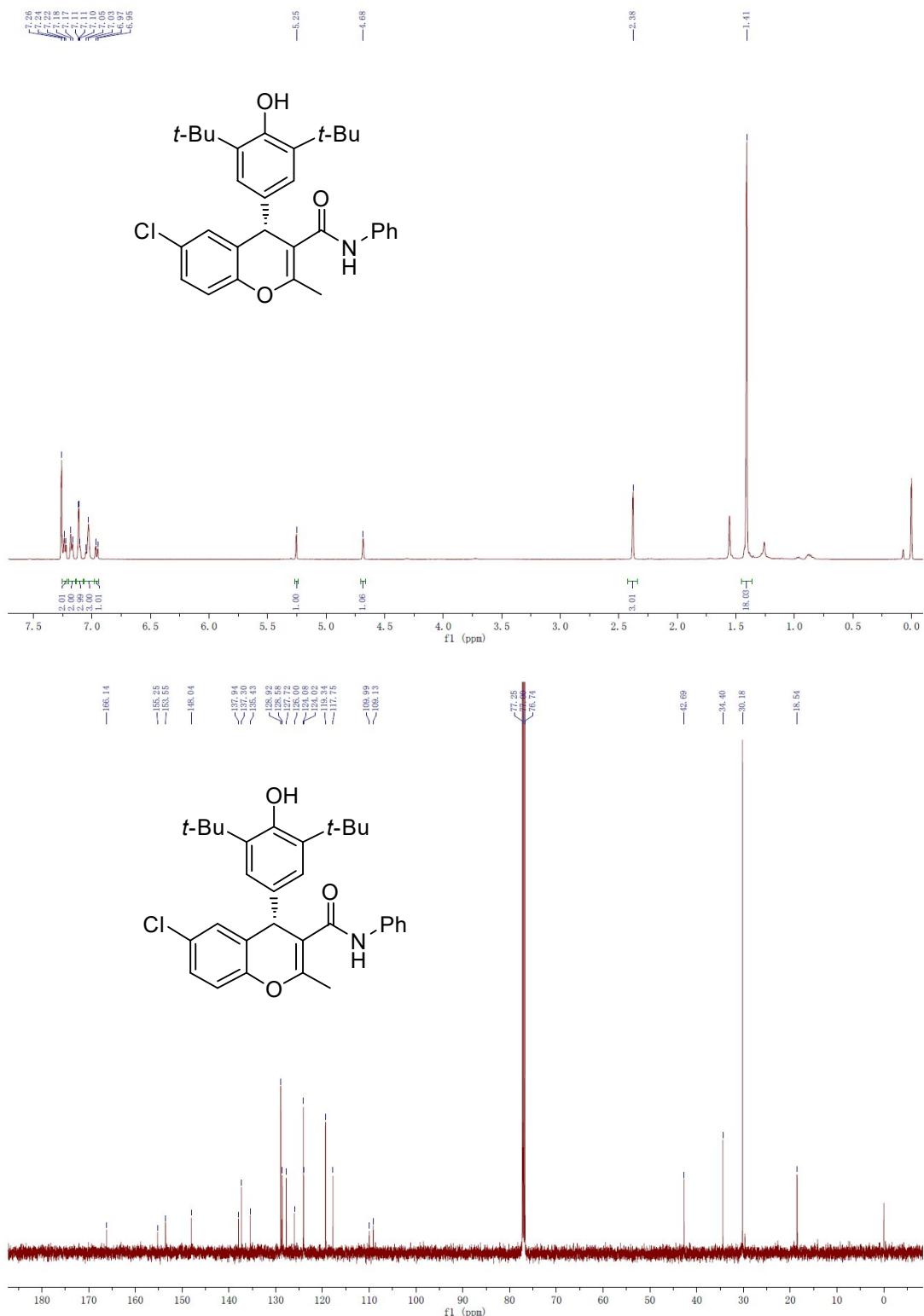
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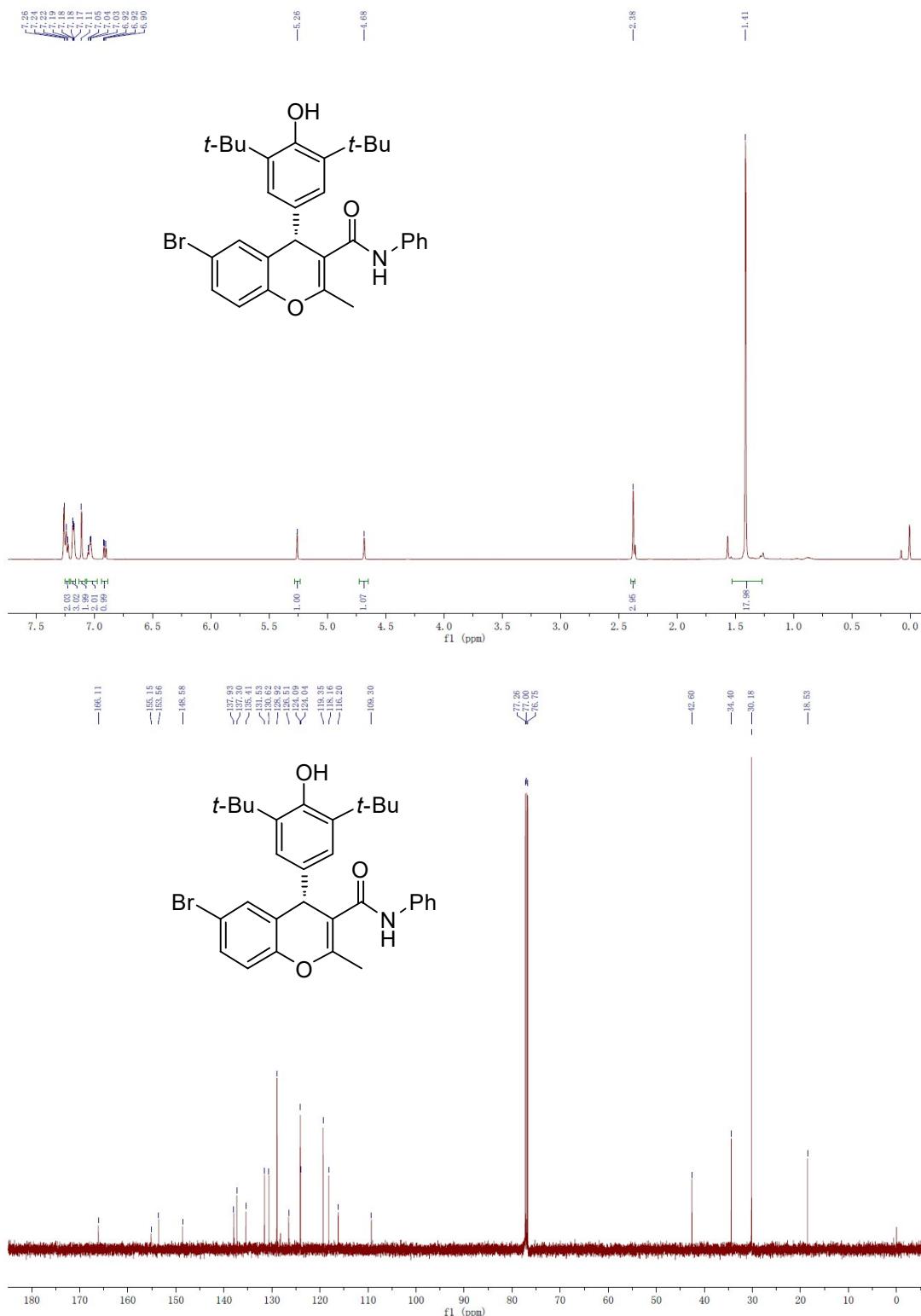
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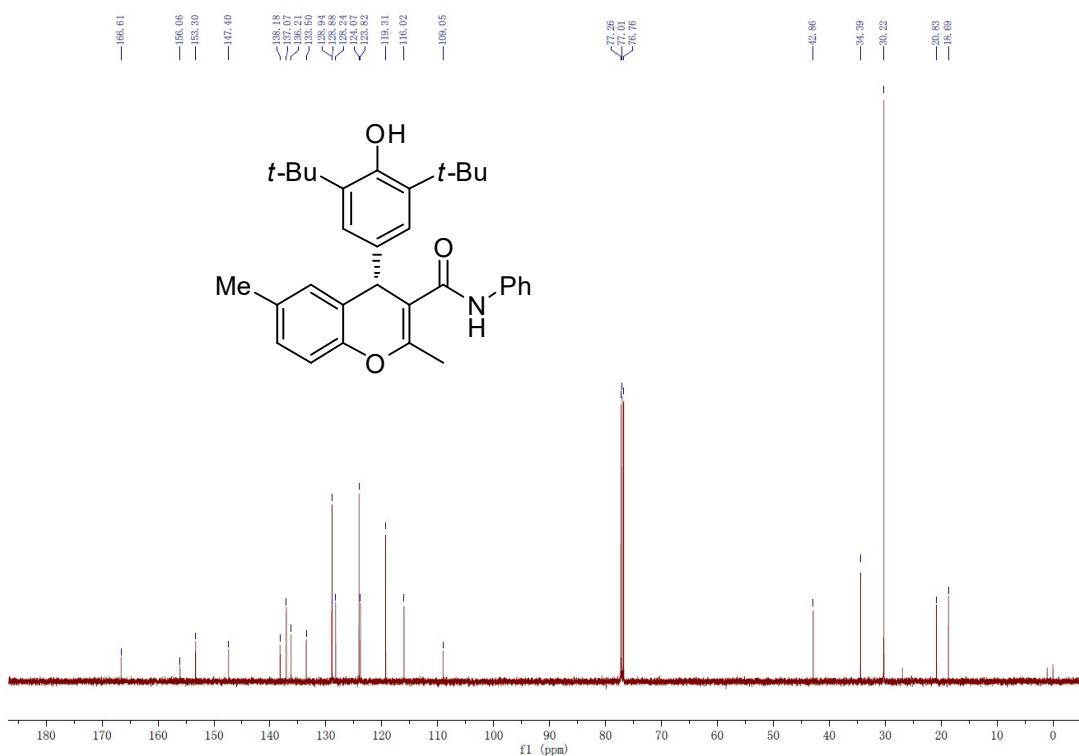
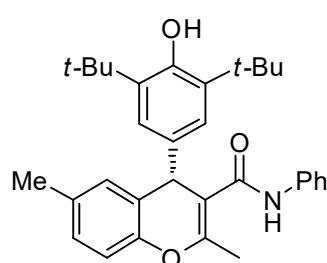
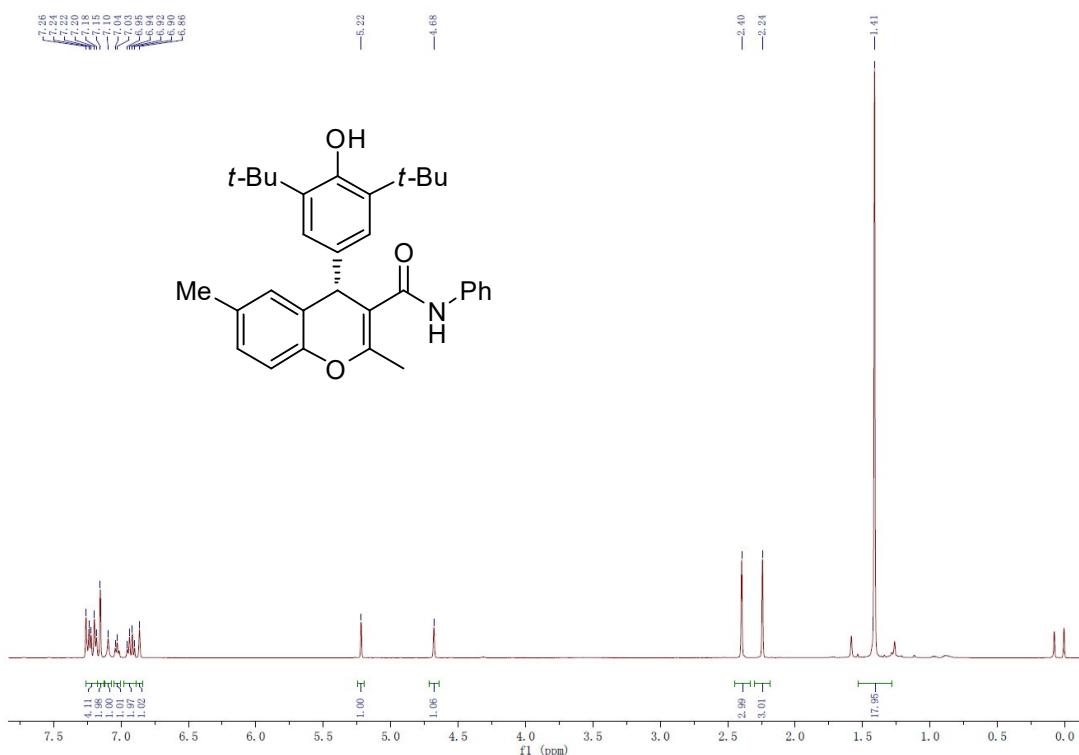
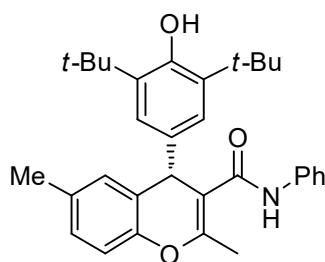
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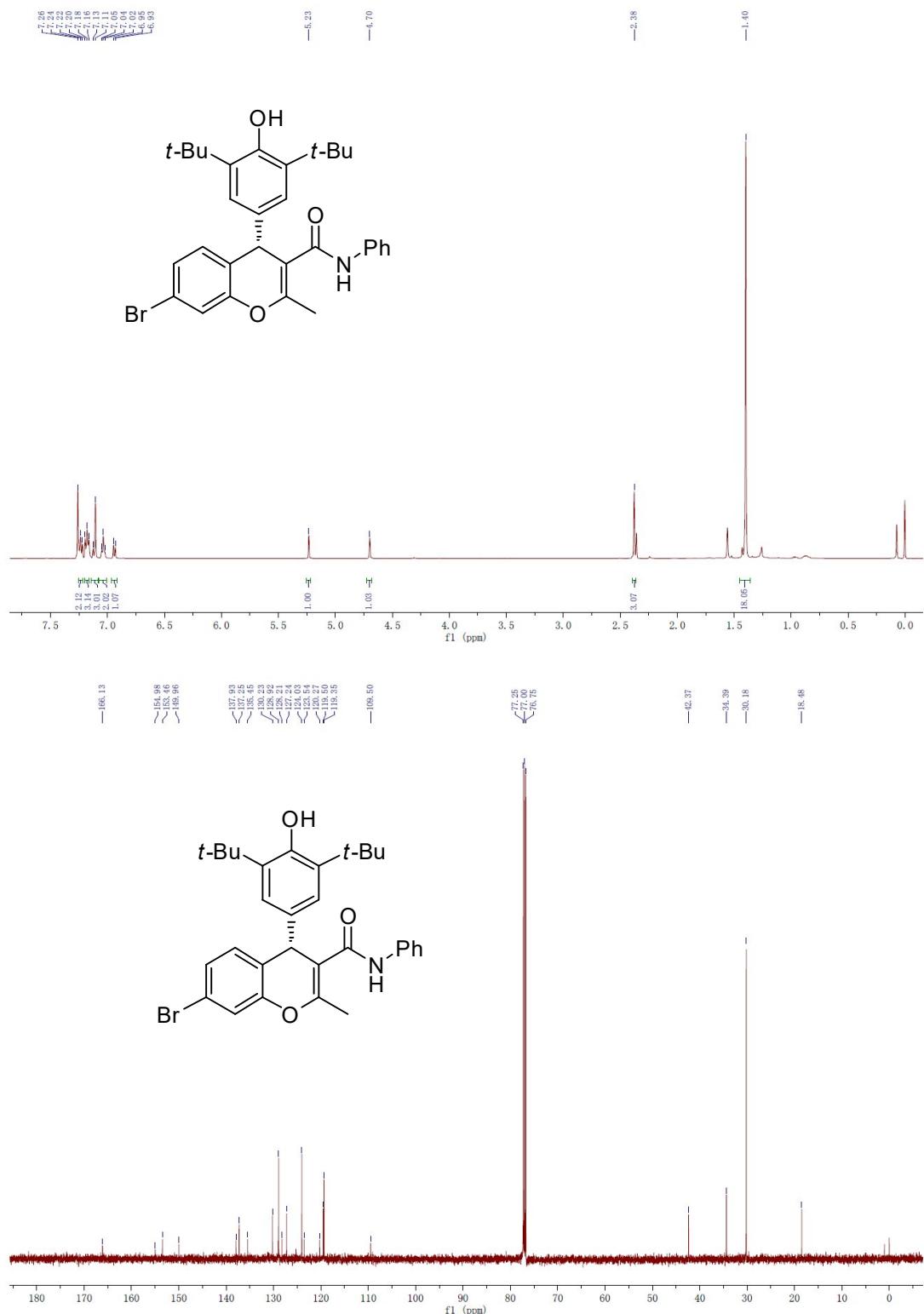
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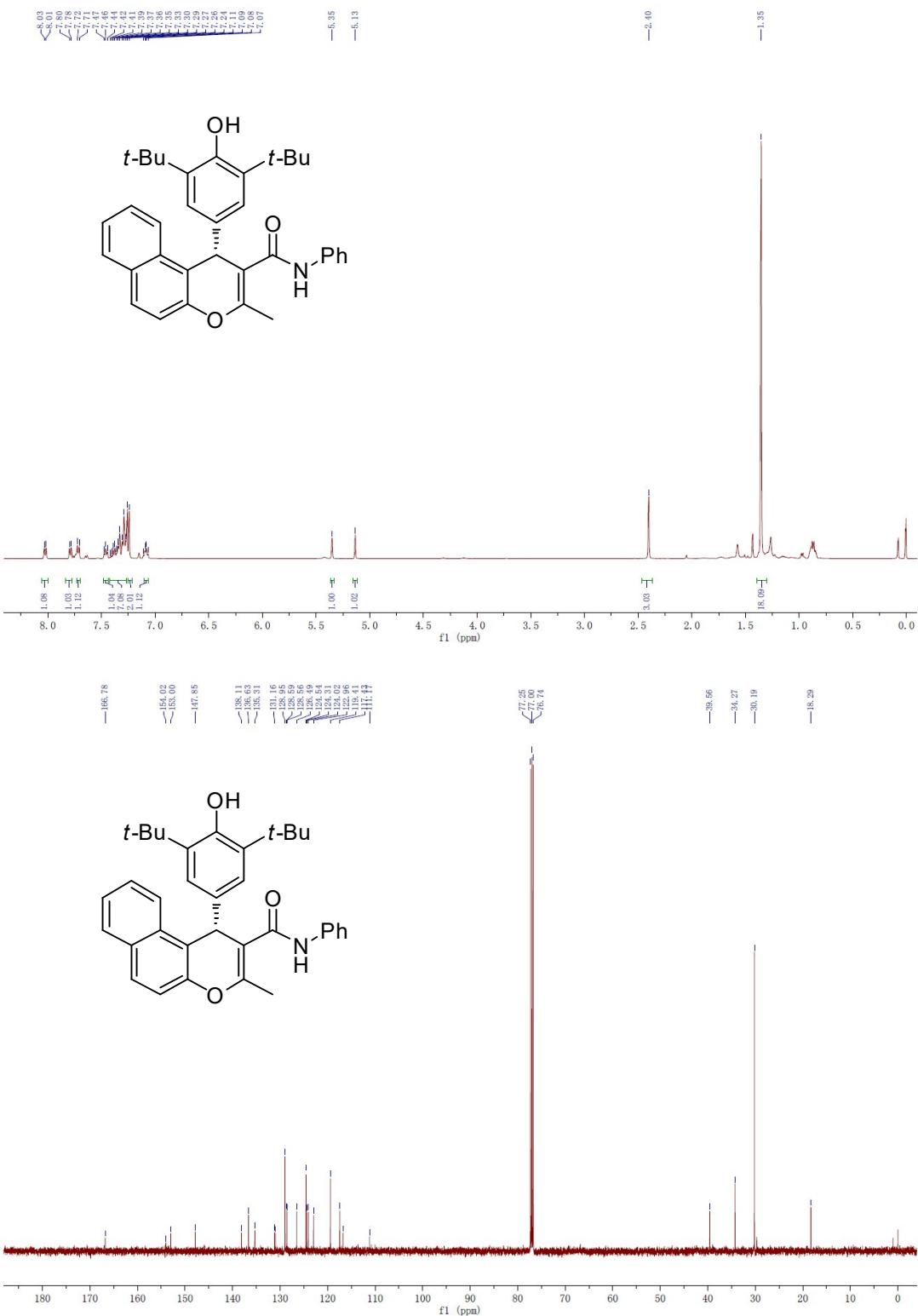
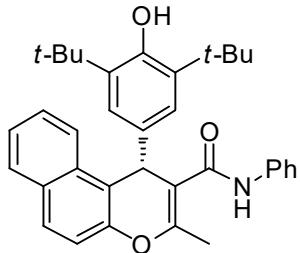
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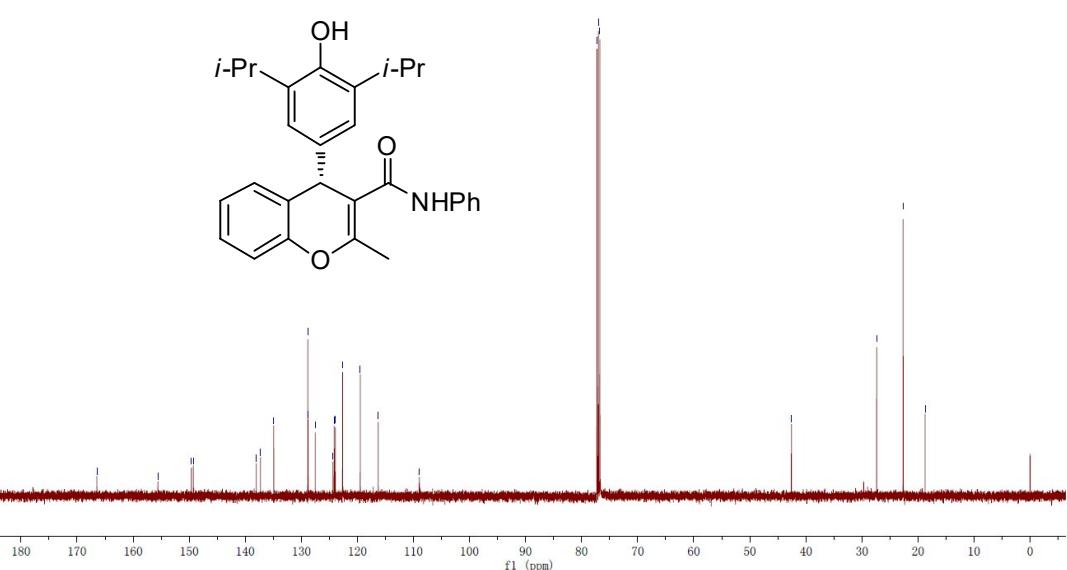
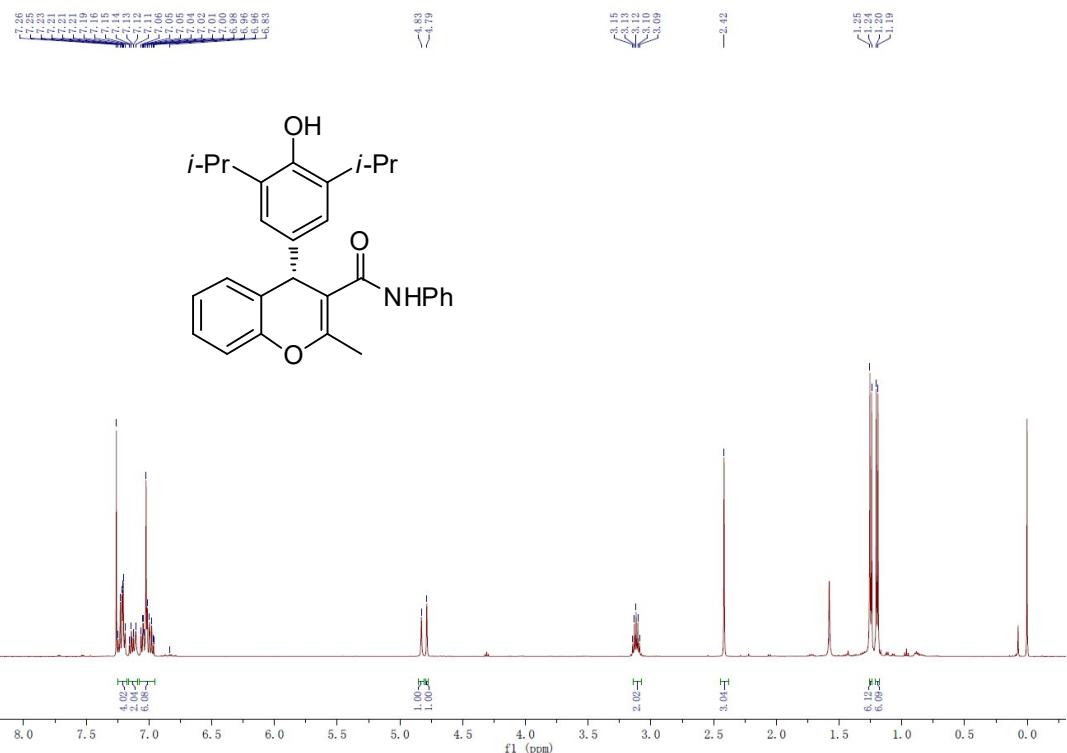
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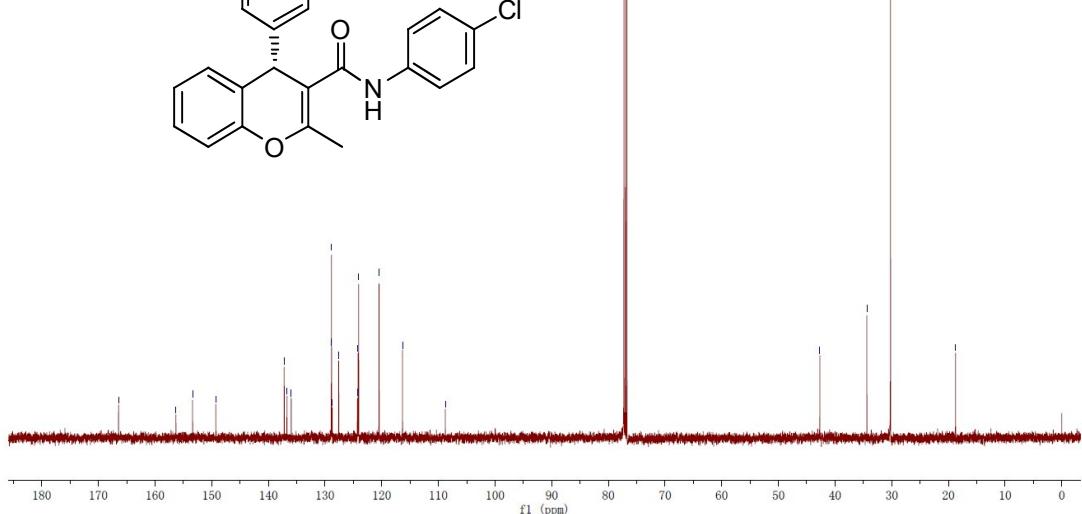
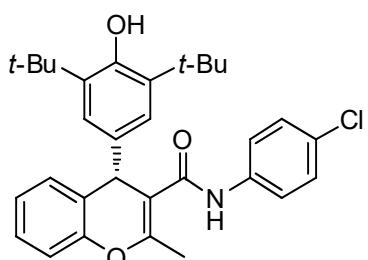
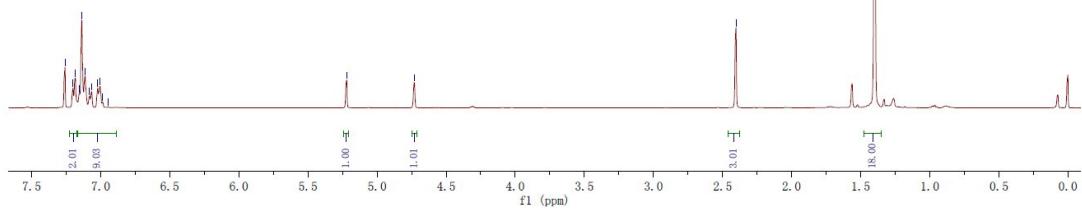
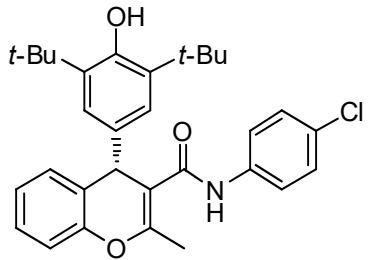
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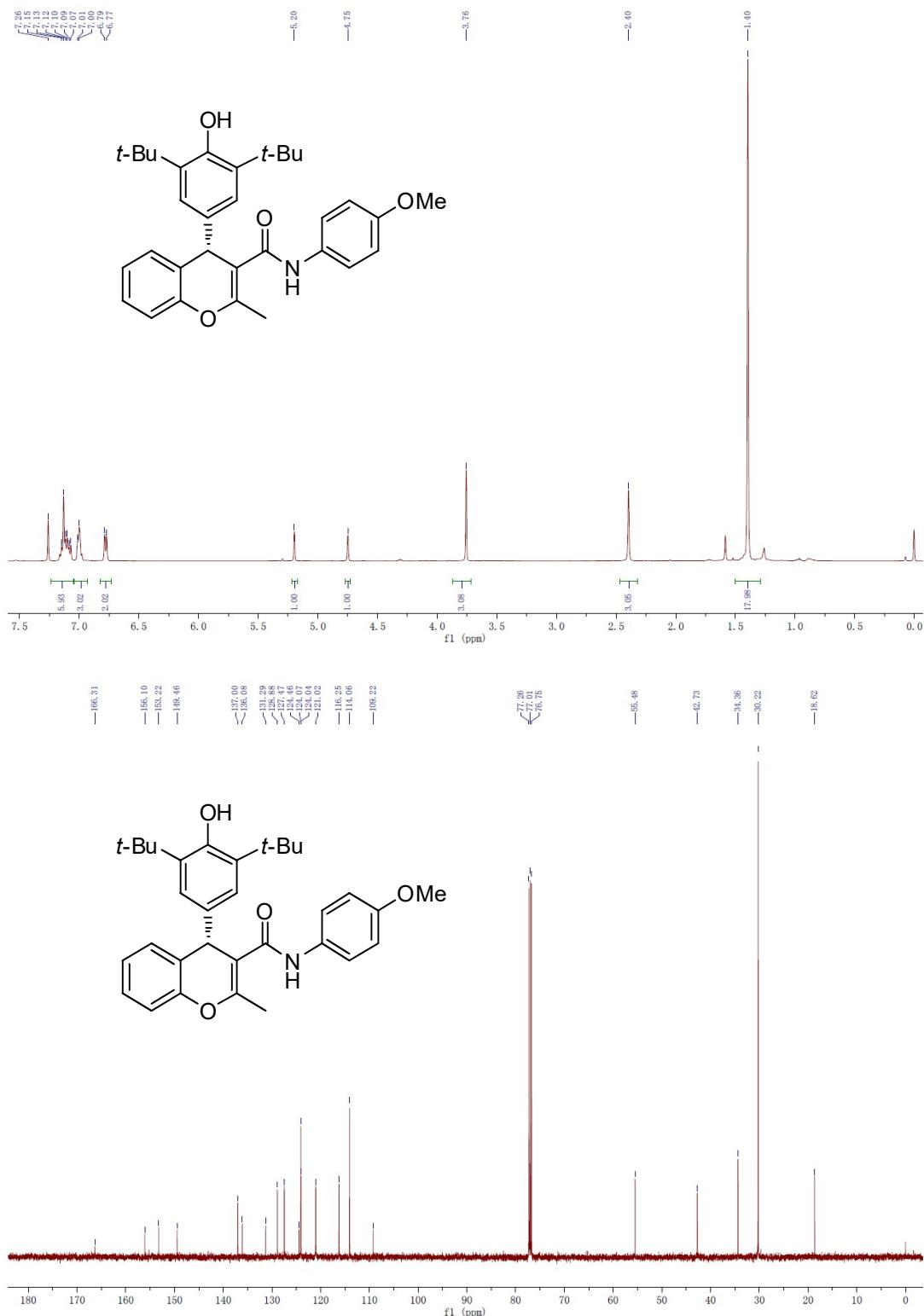
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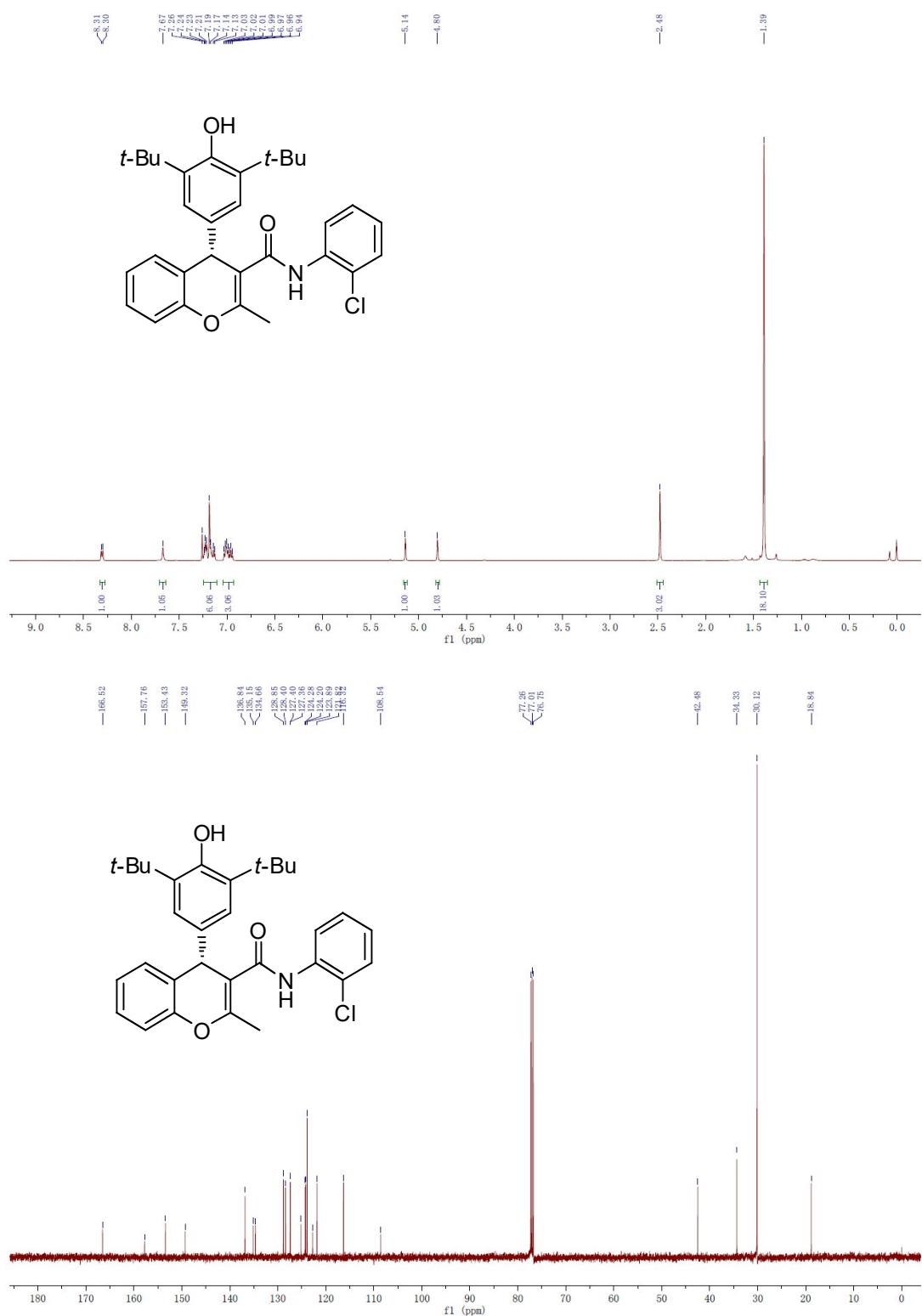
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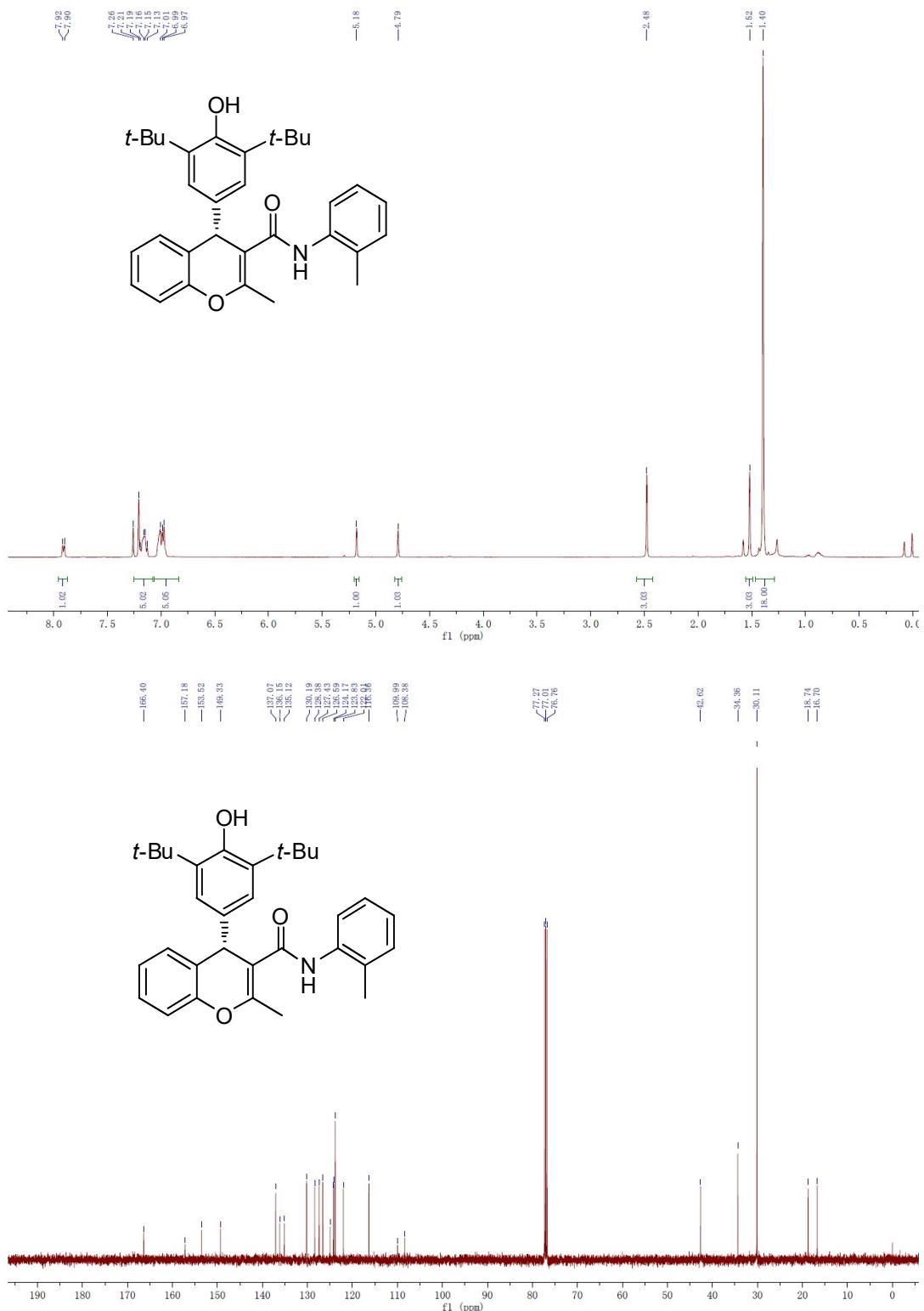
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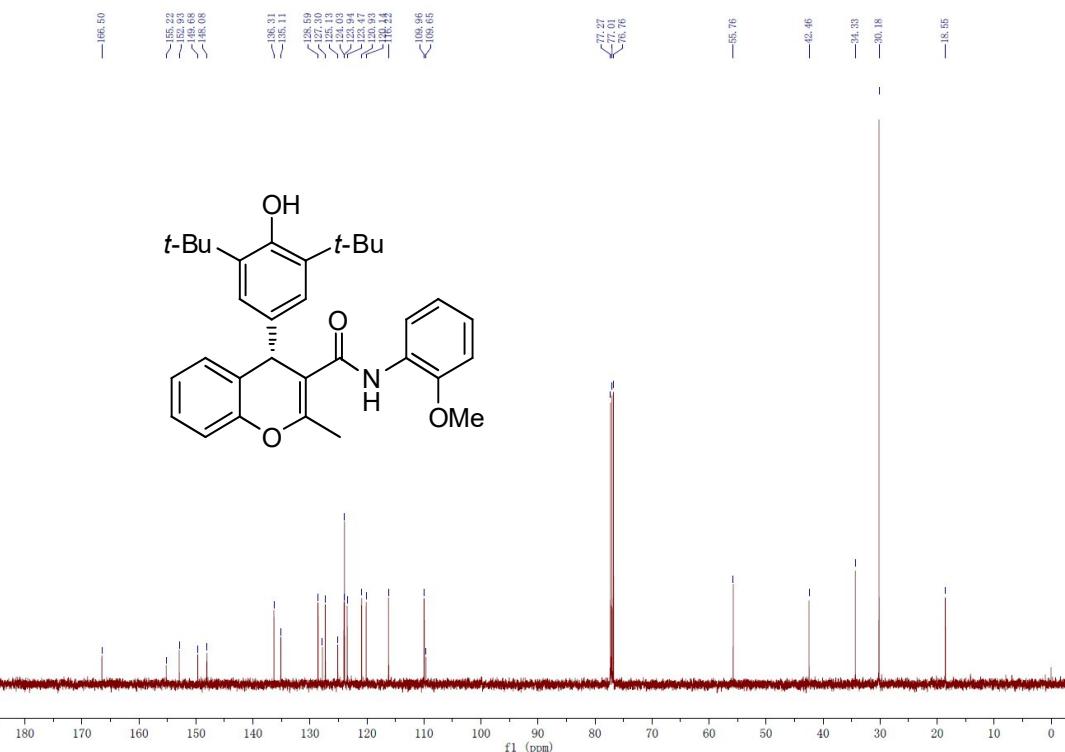
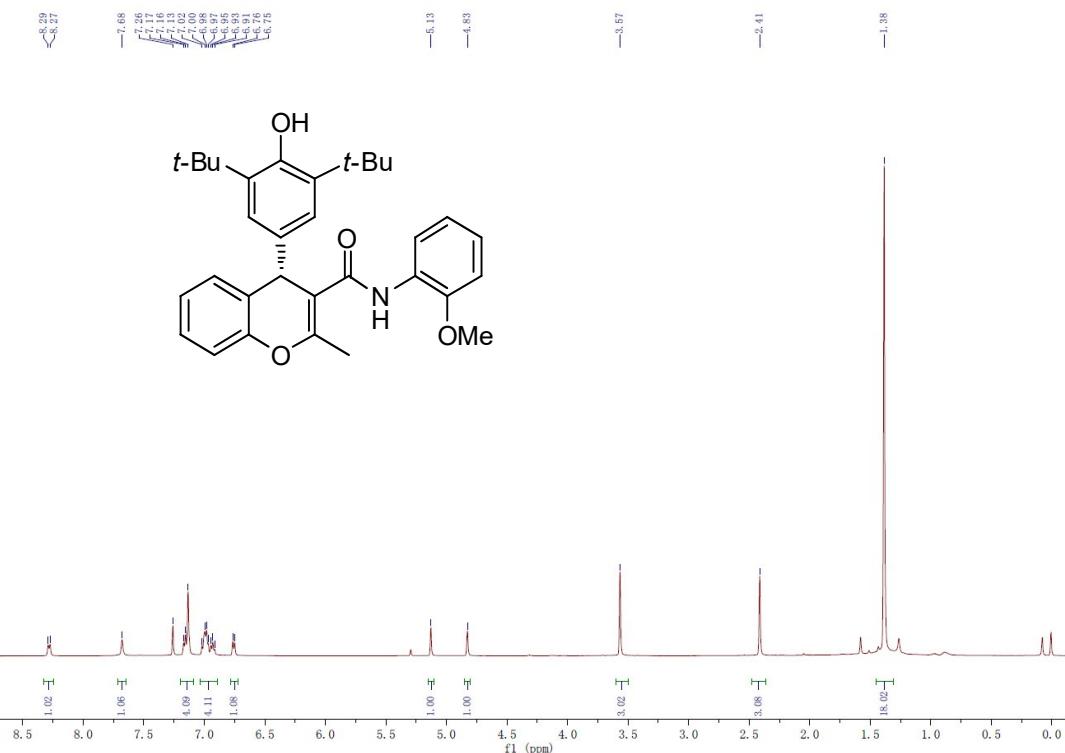
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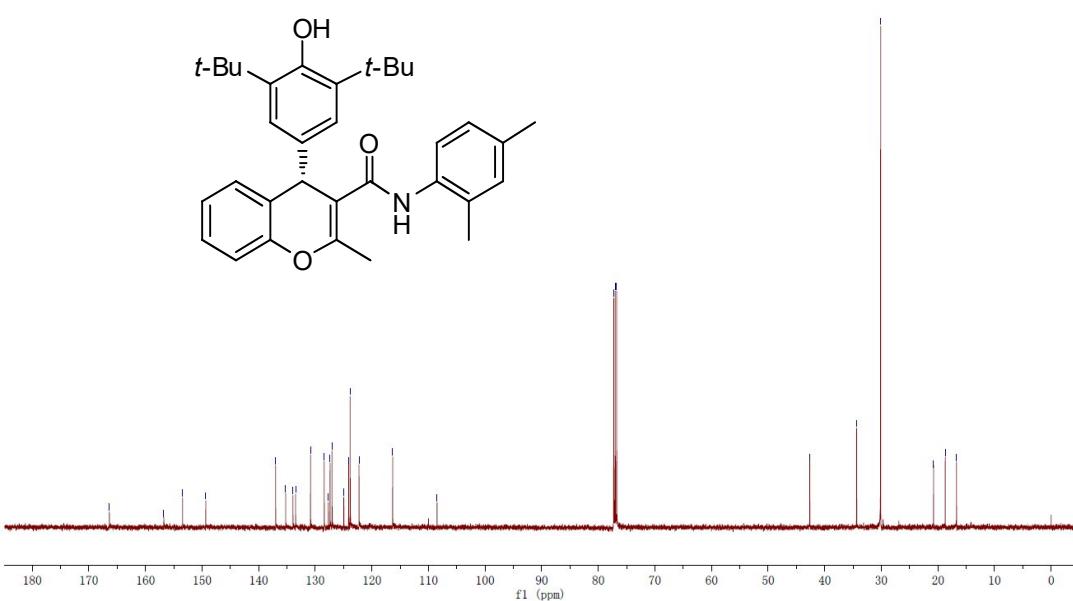
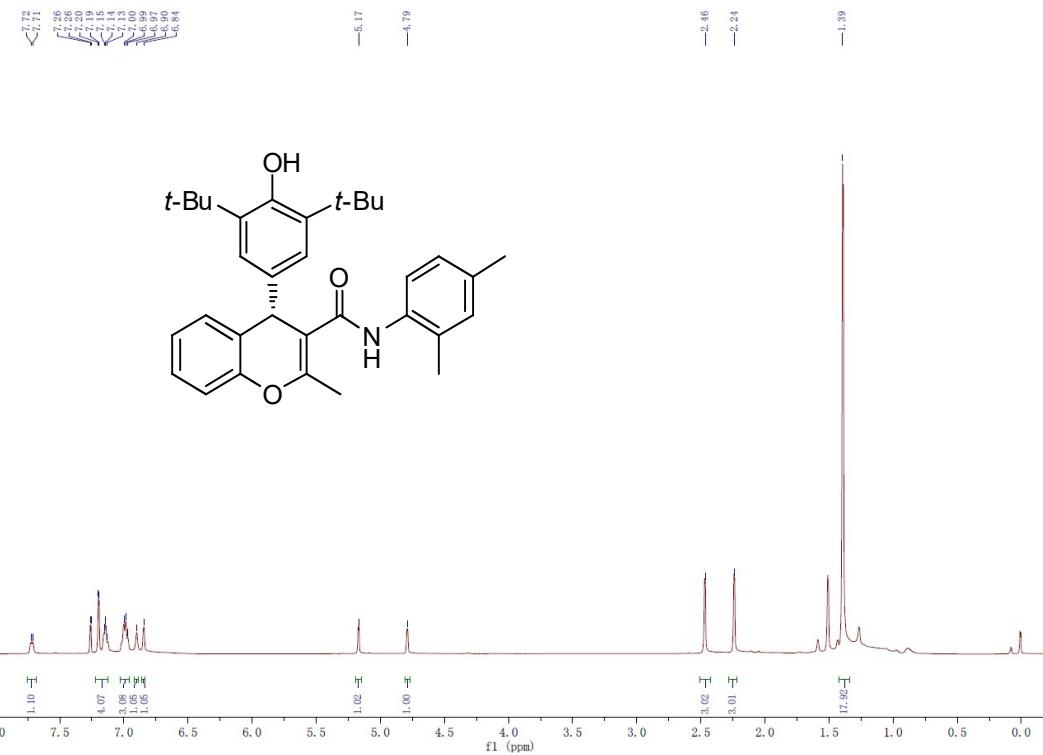
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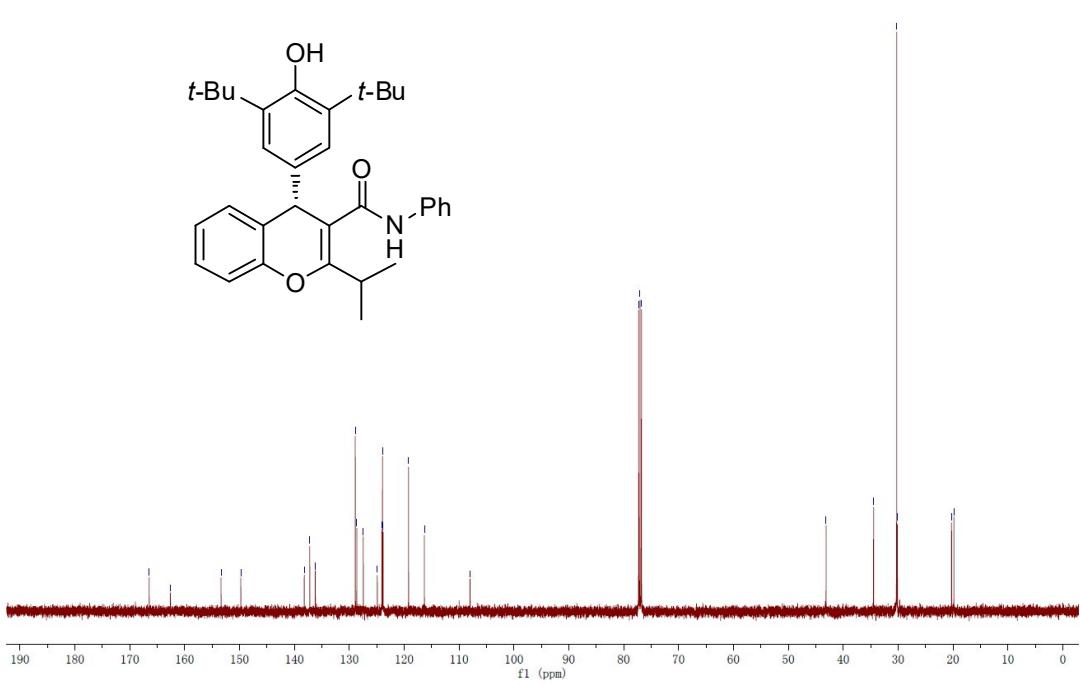
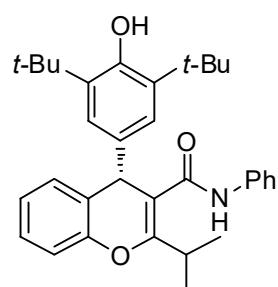
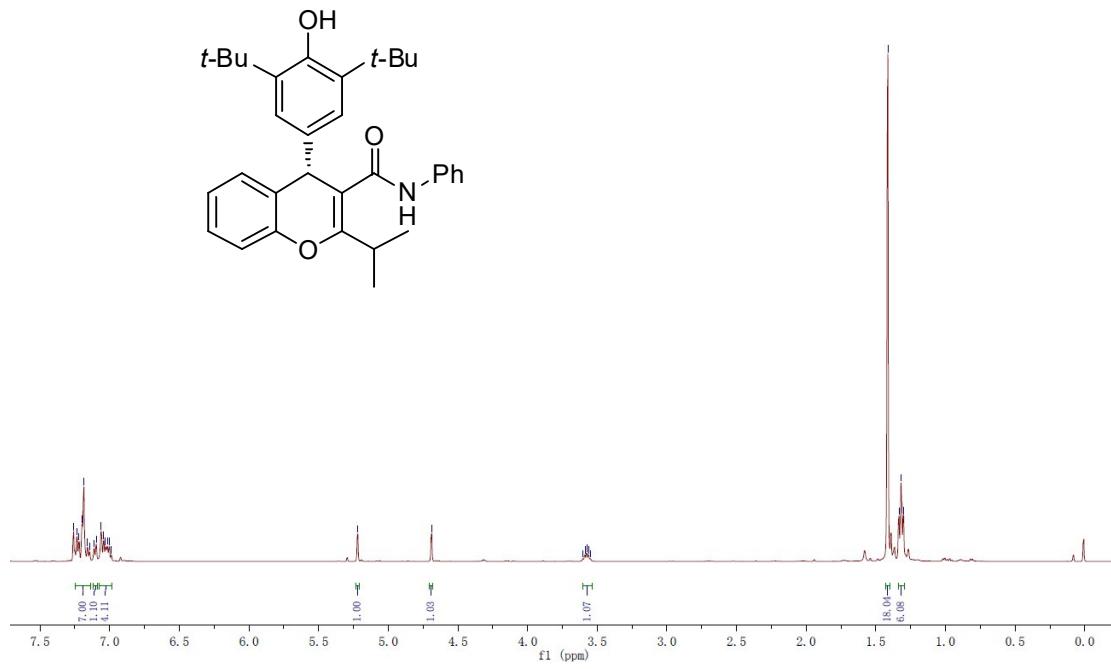
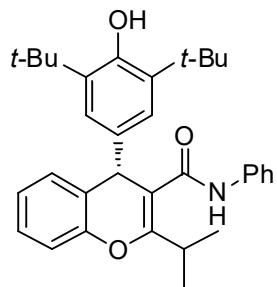
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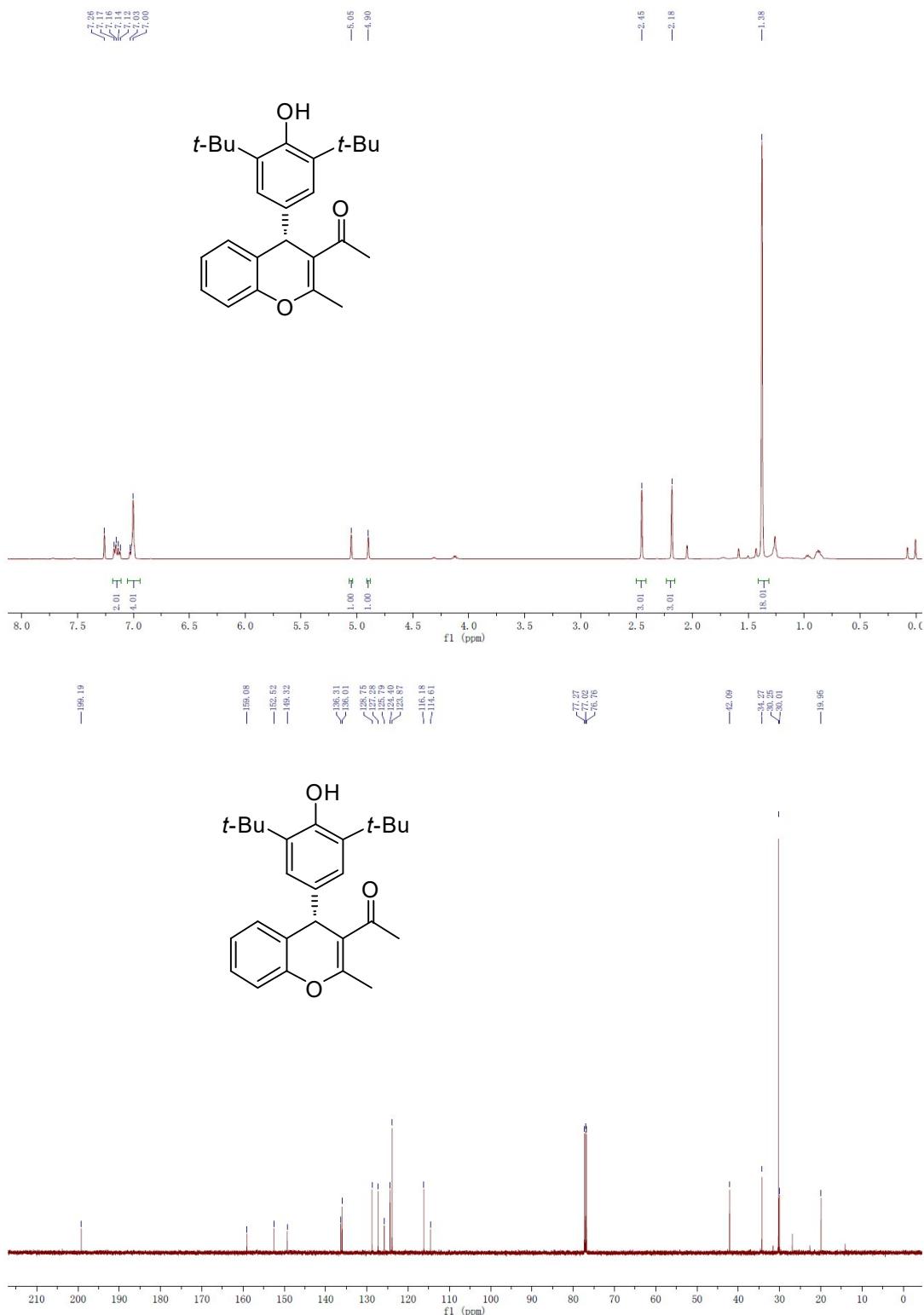
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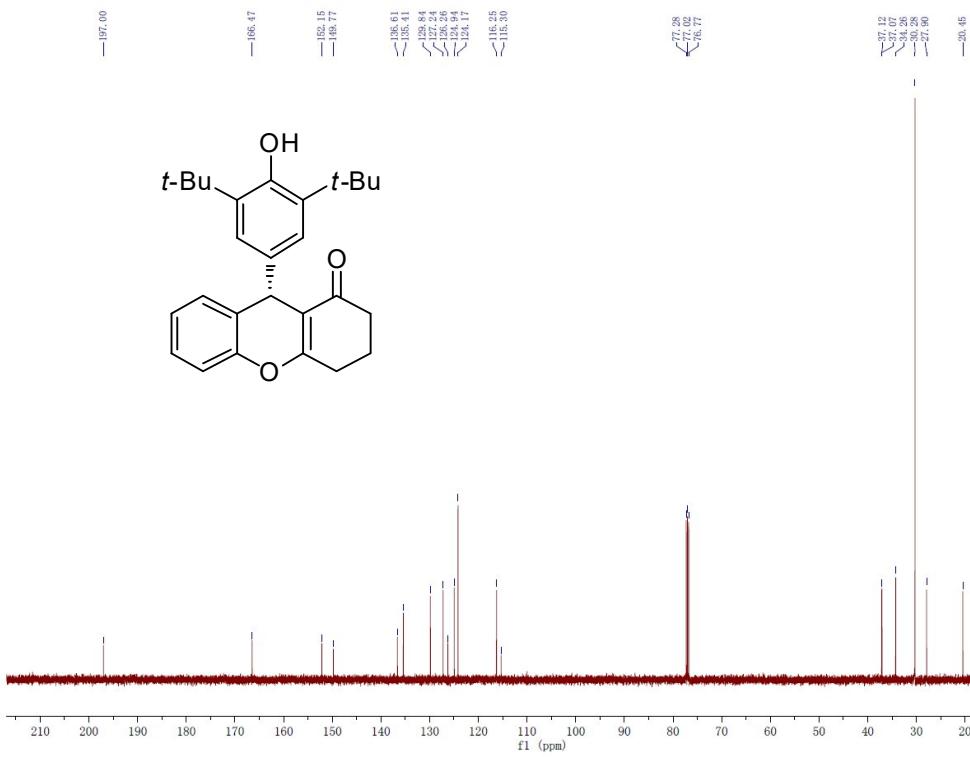
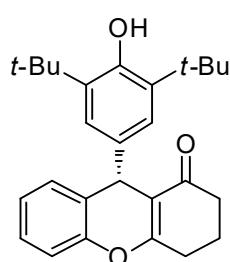
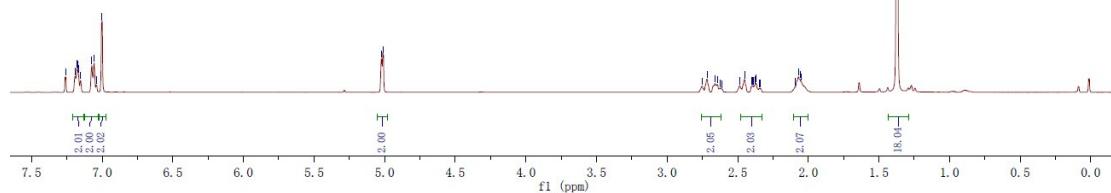
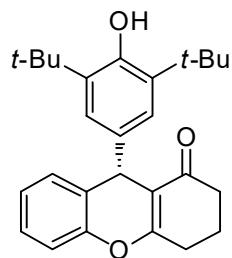
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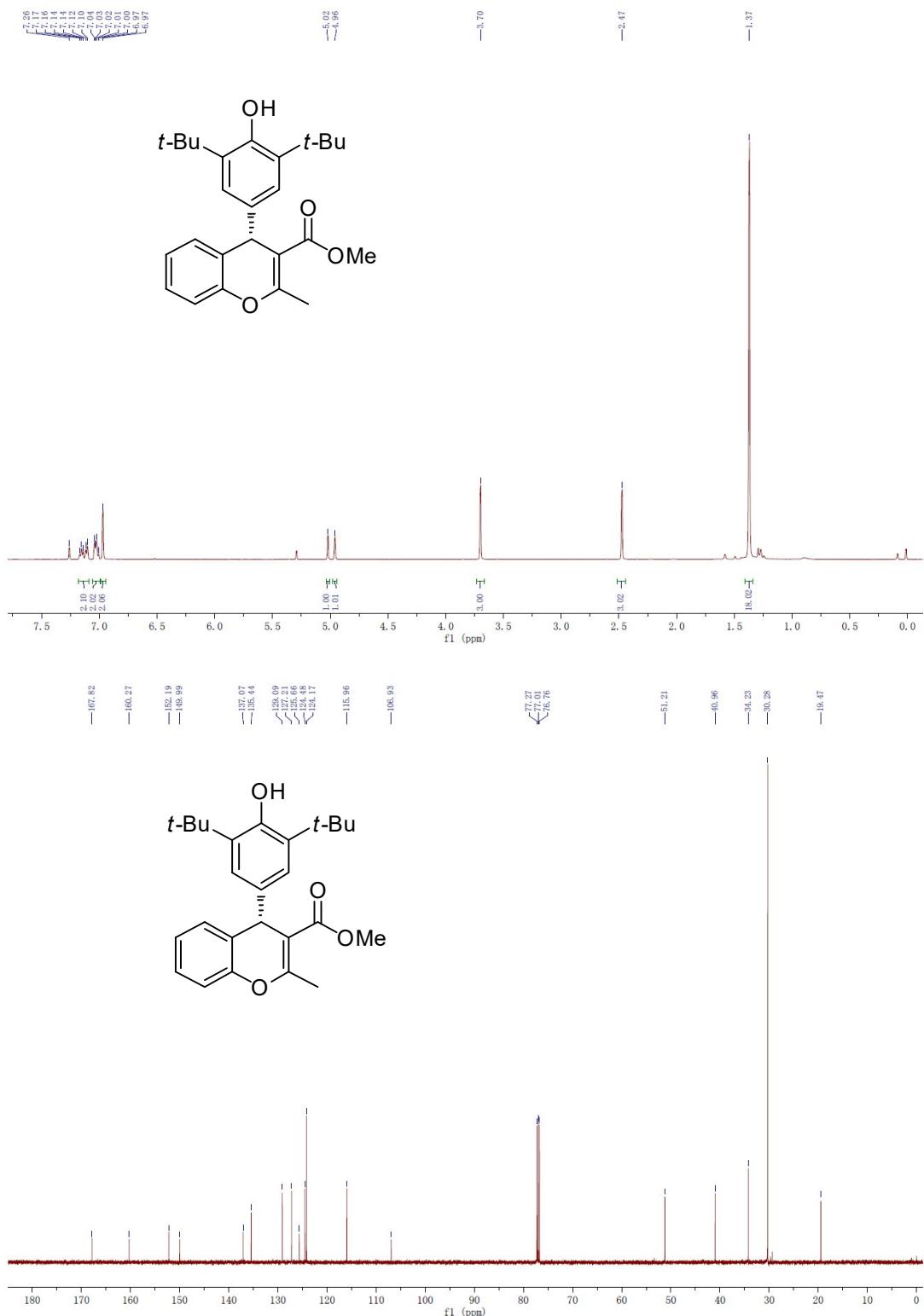
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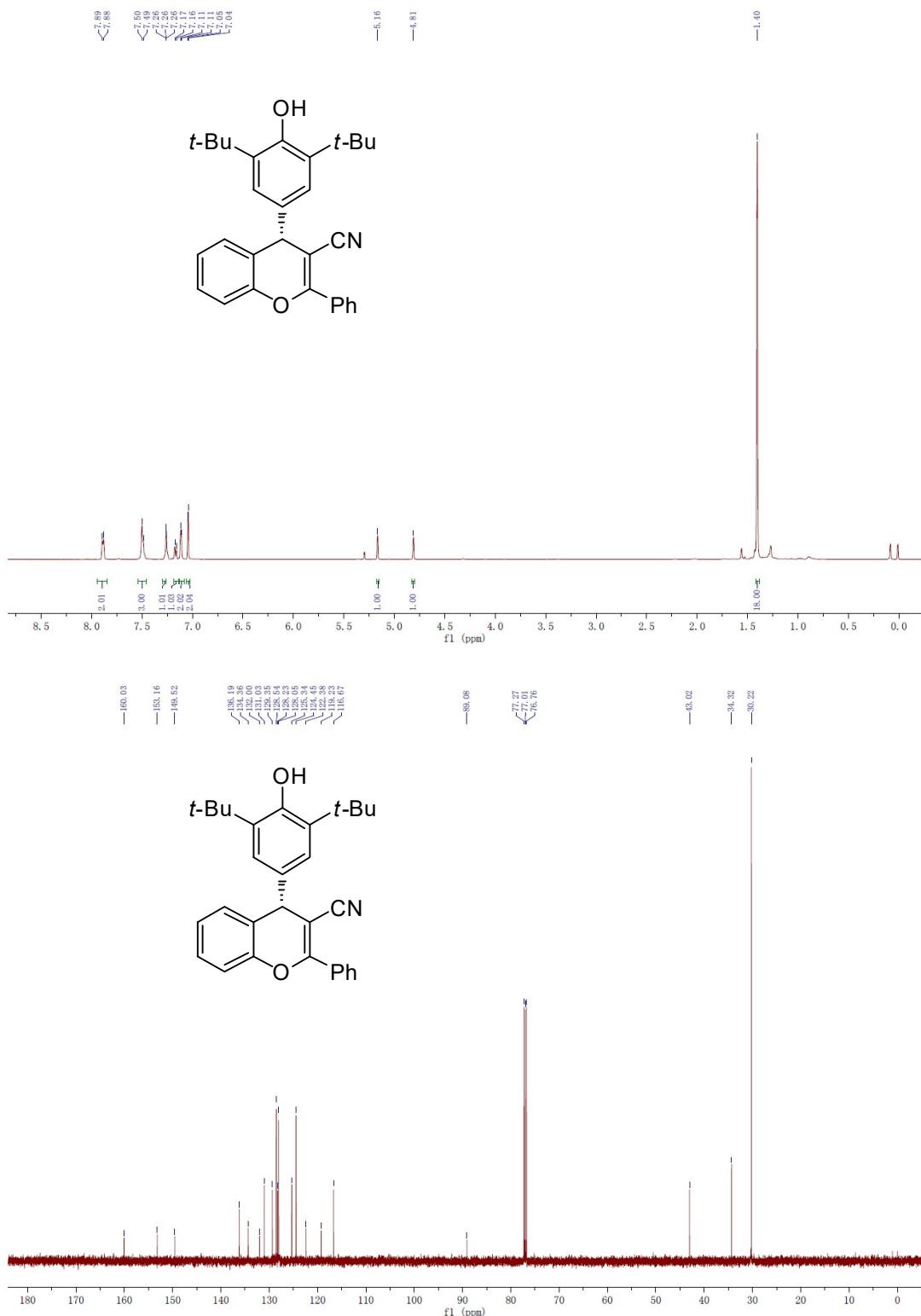
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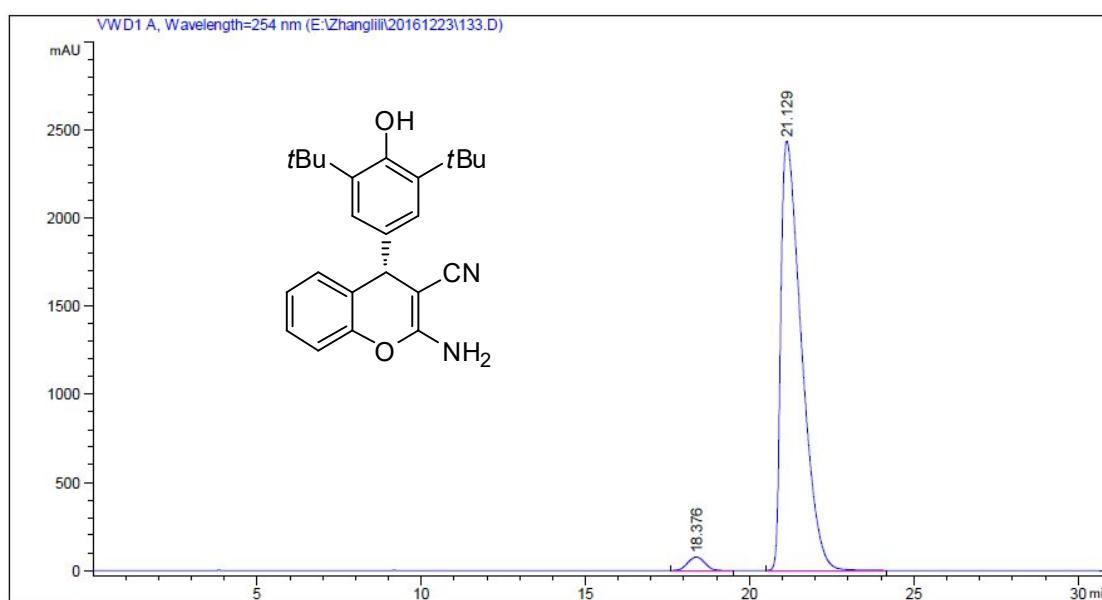
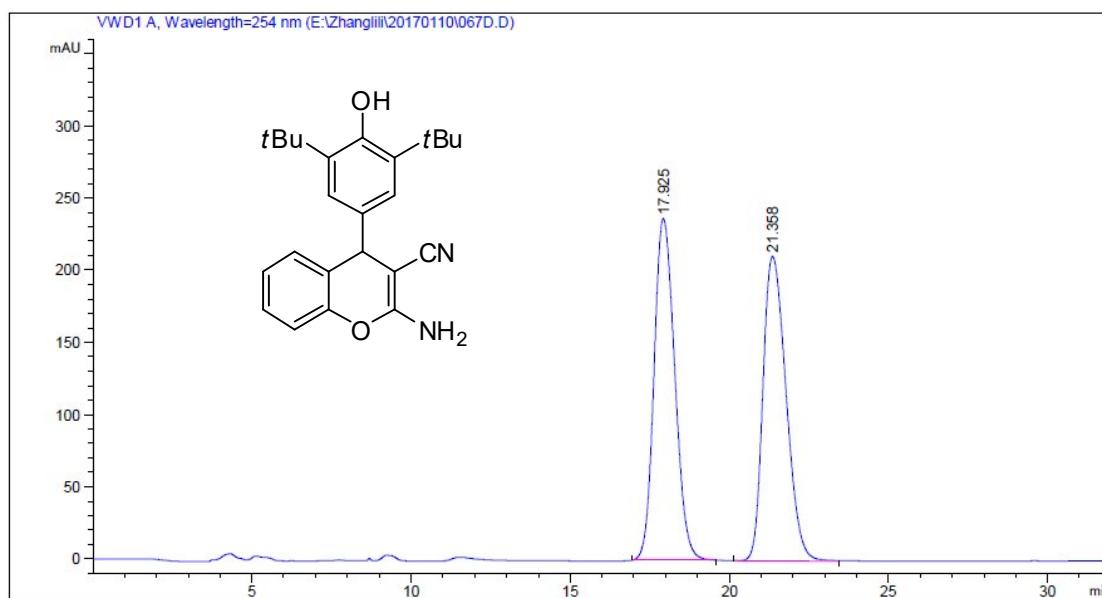


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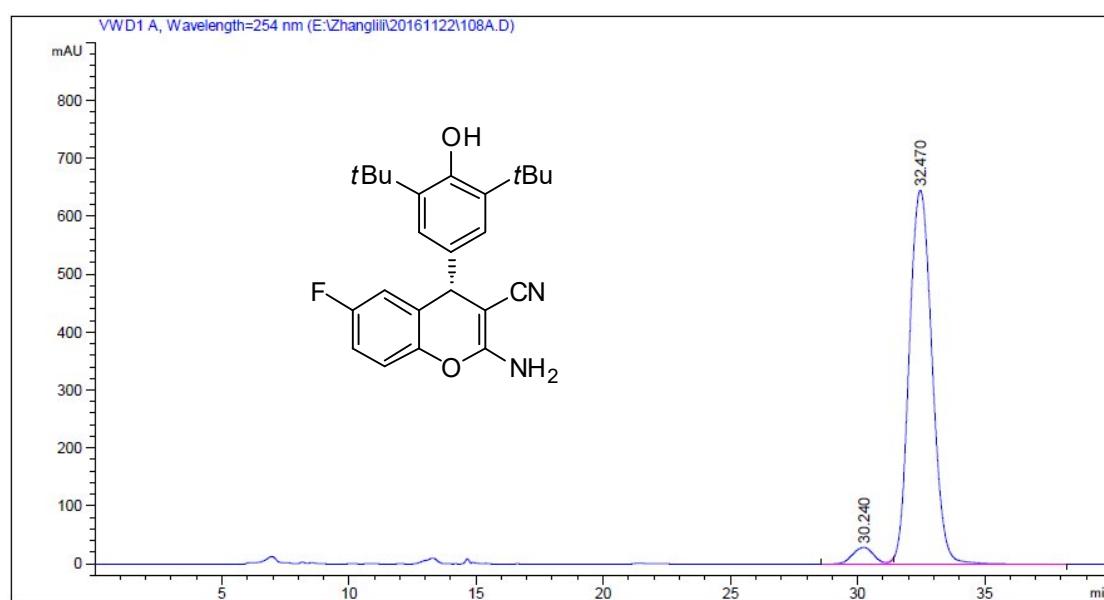
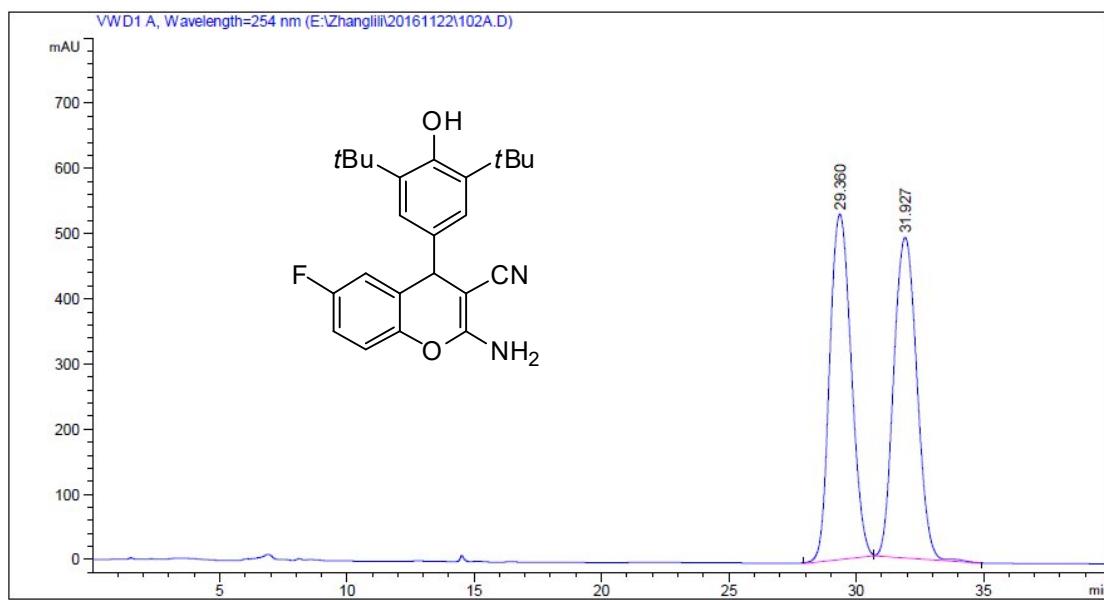


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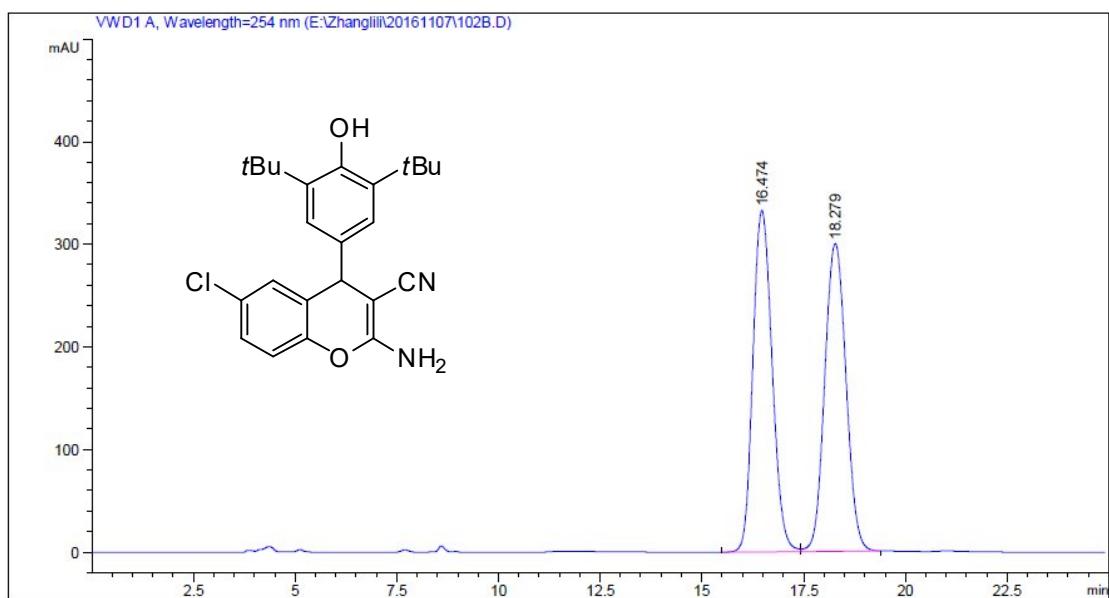
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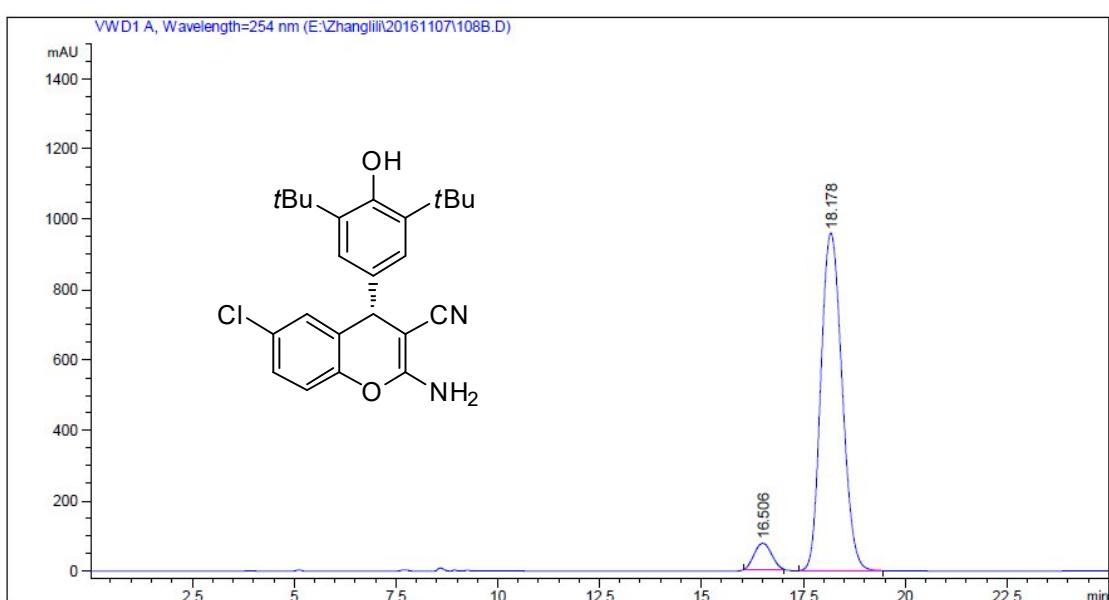
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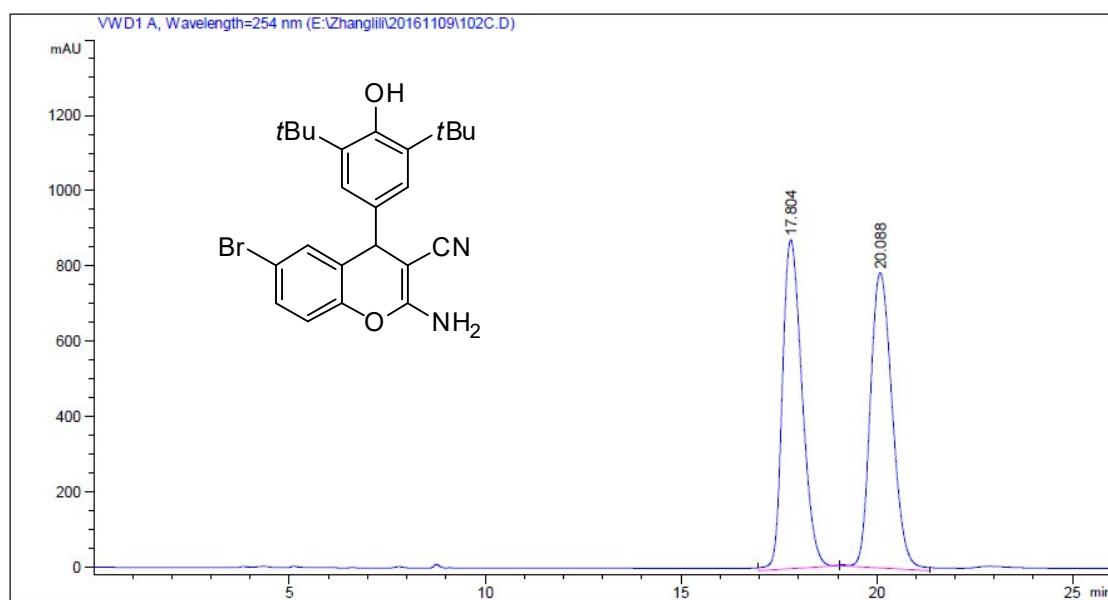


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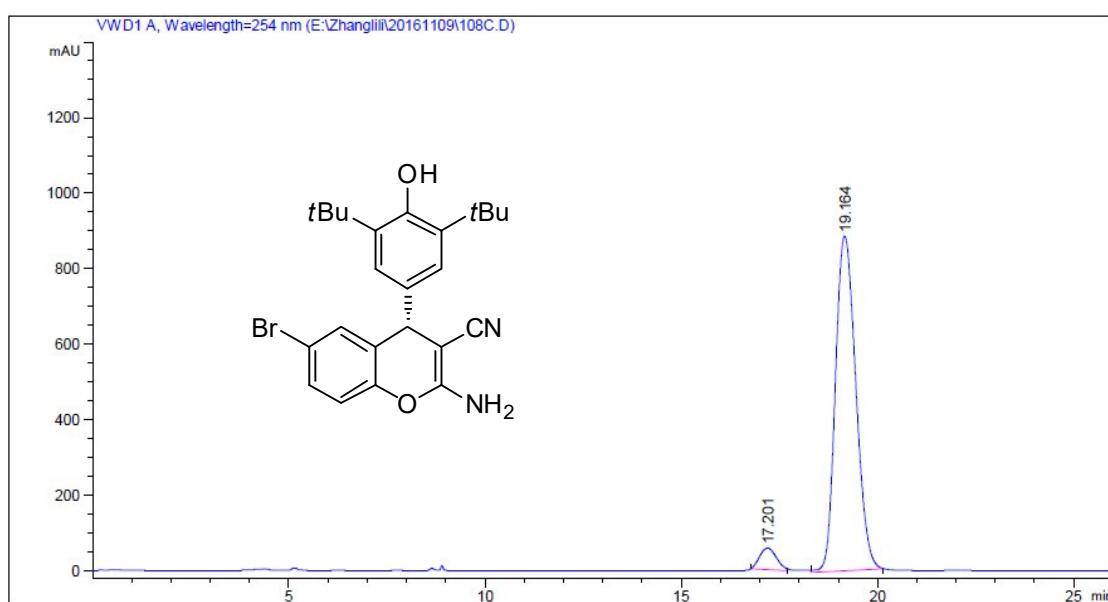


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| 2 | 18.178 | 34700.5 | 960.4 | 0.5972 | 0 | 94.013 |

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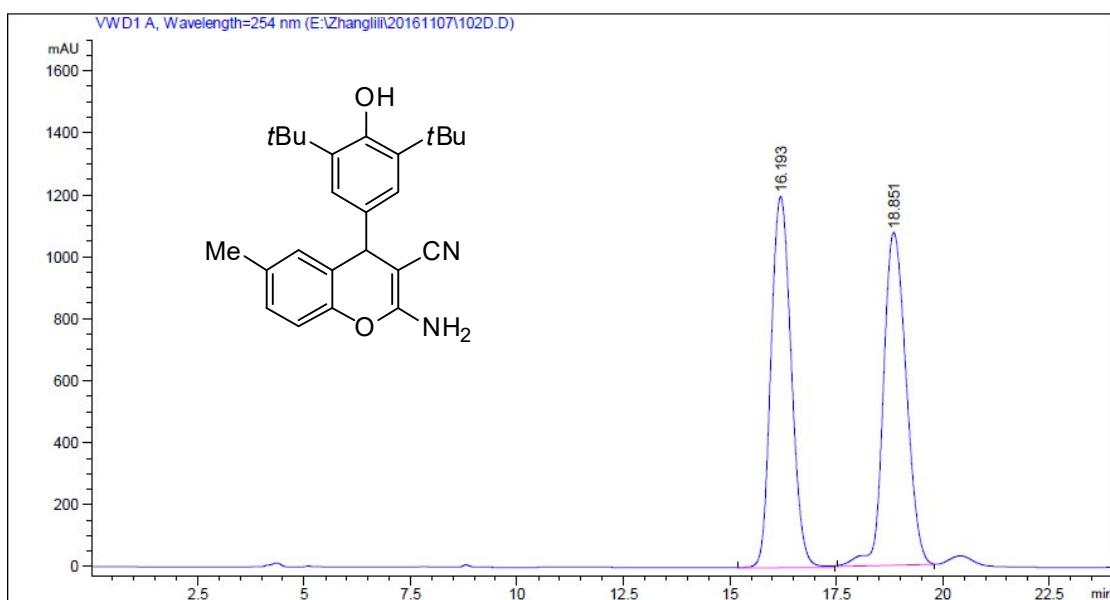


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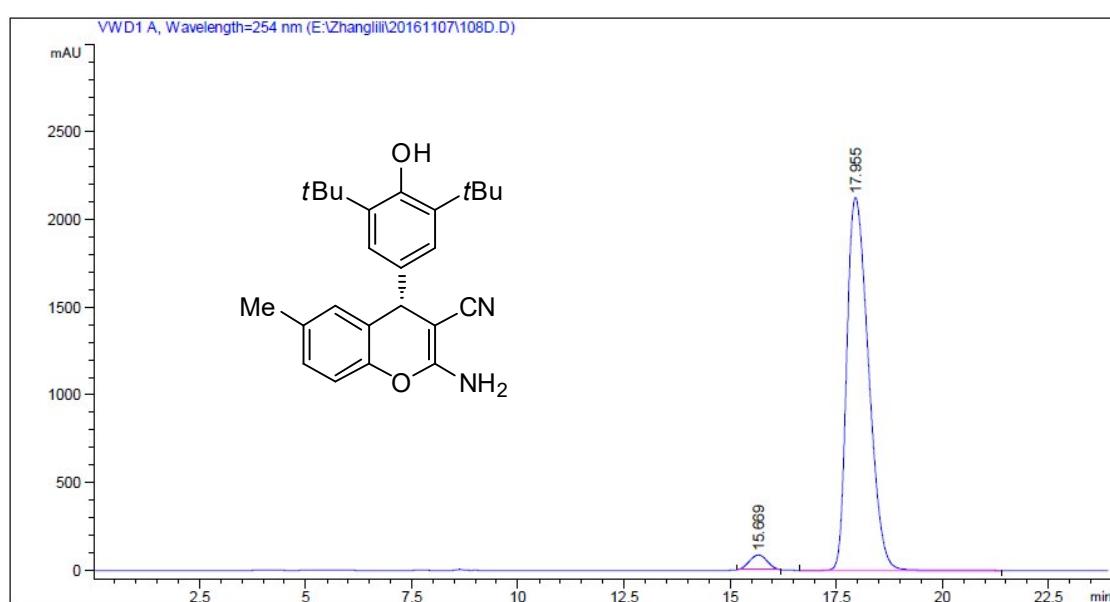


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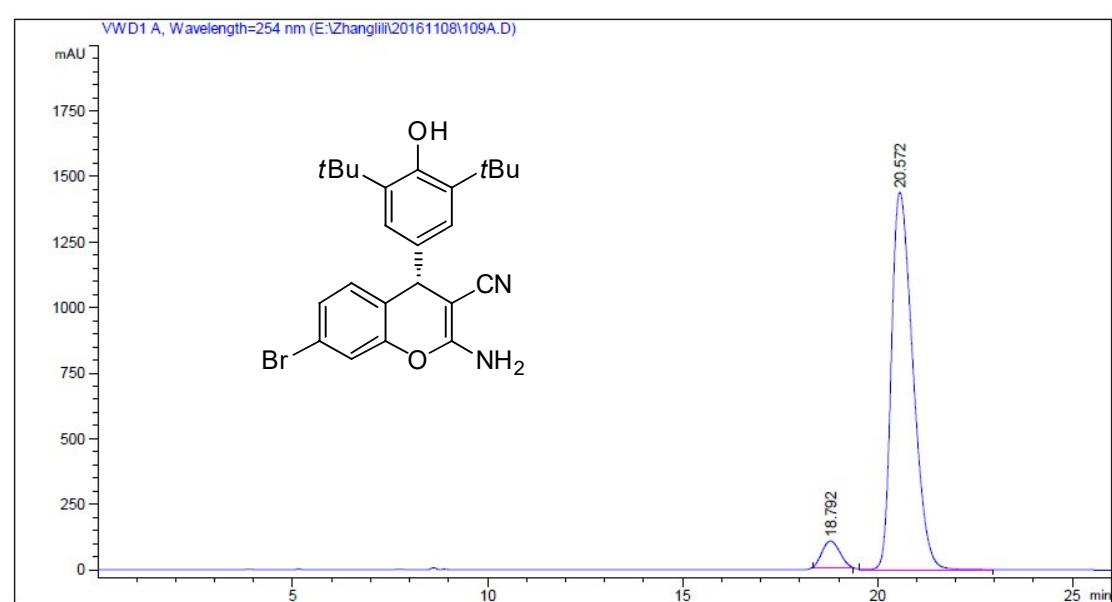
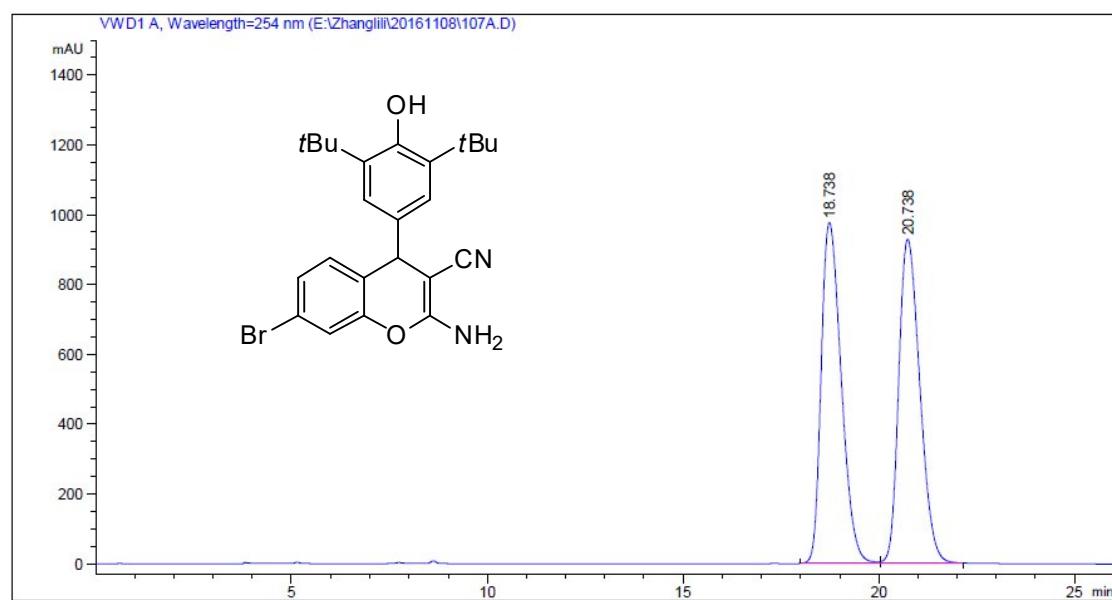


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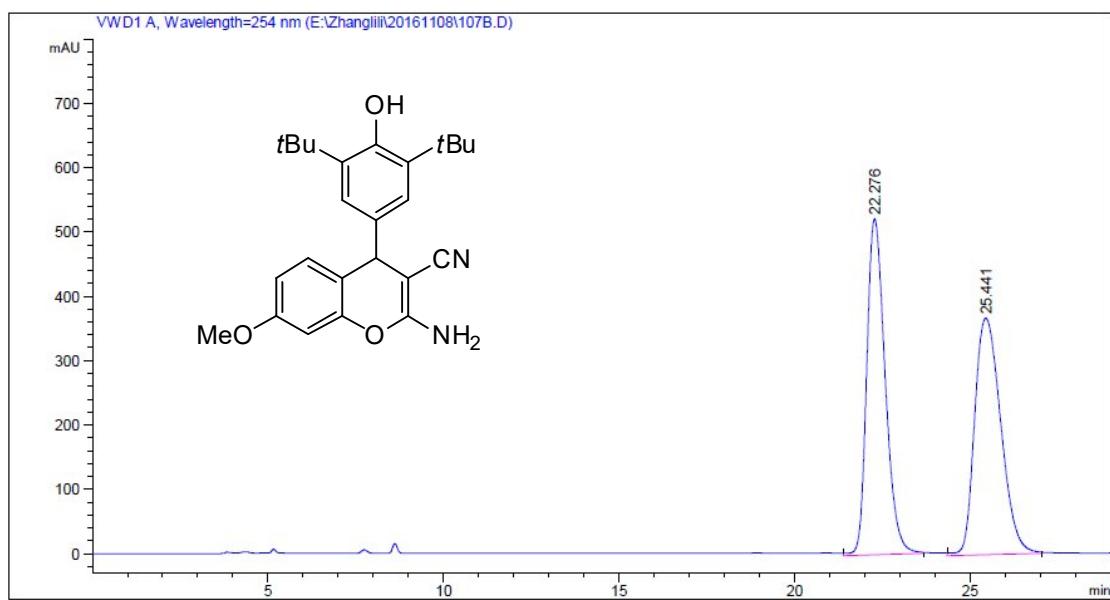


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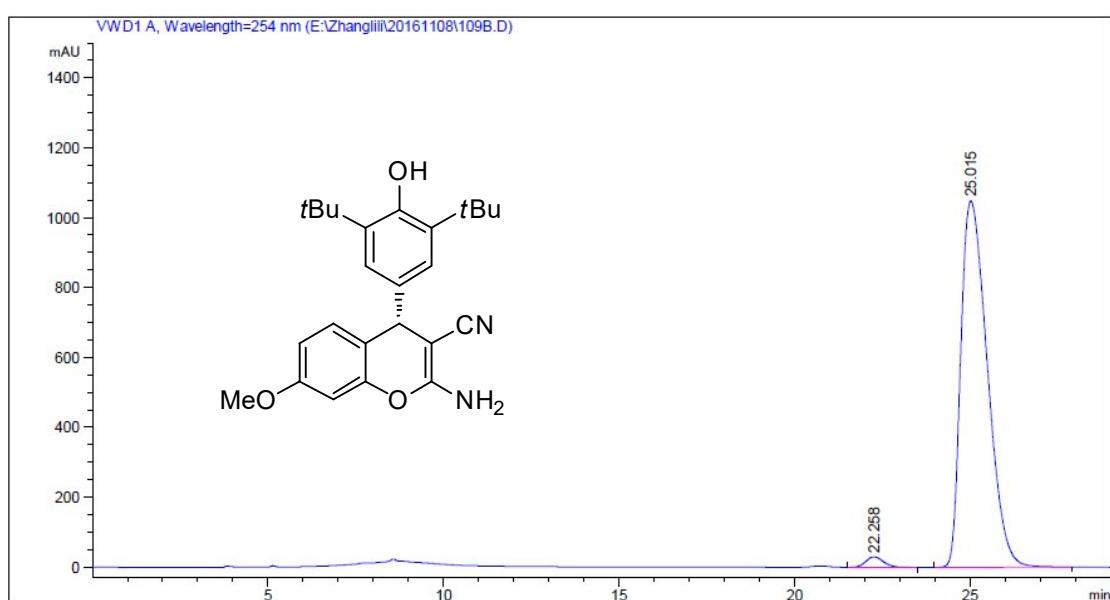
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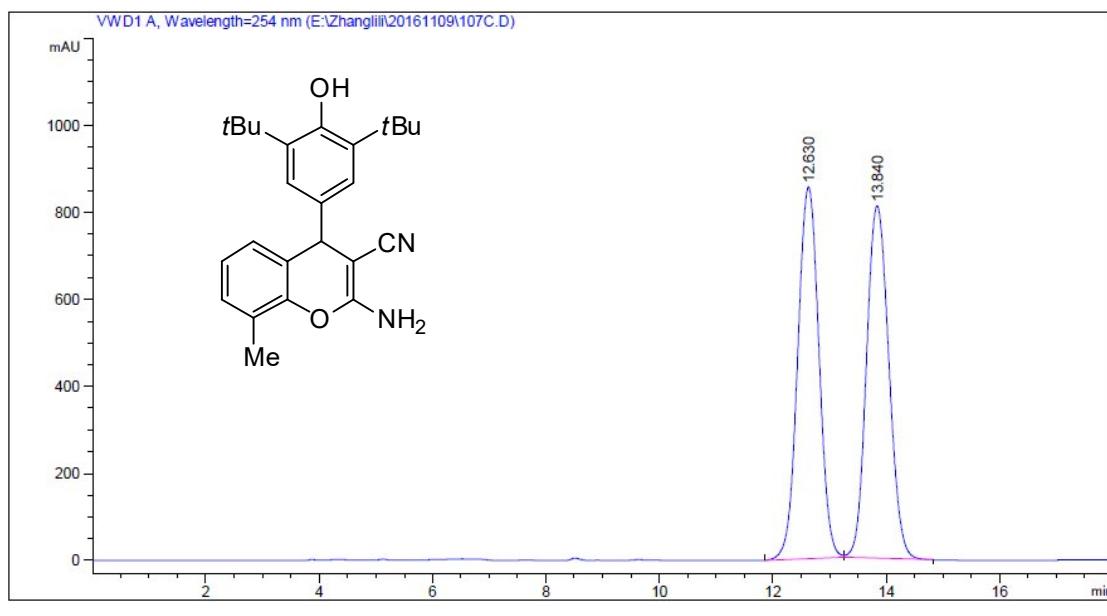


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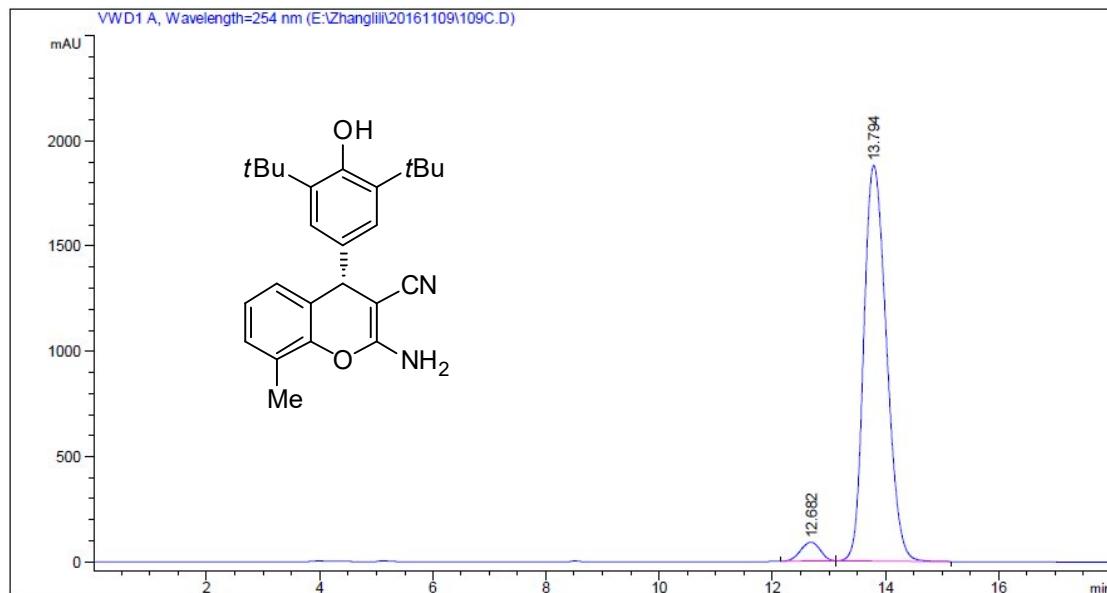


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| 2 | 25.015 | 54996.2 | 1049.9 | 0.873 | 0.584 | 98.095 |

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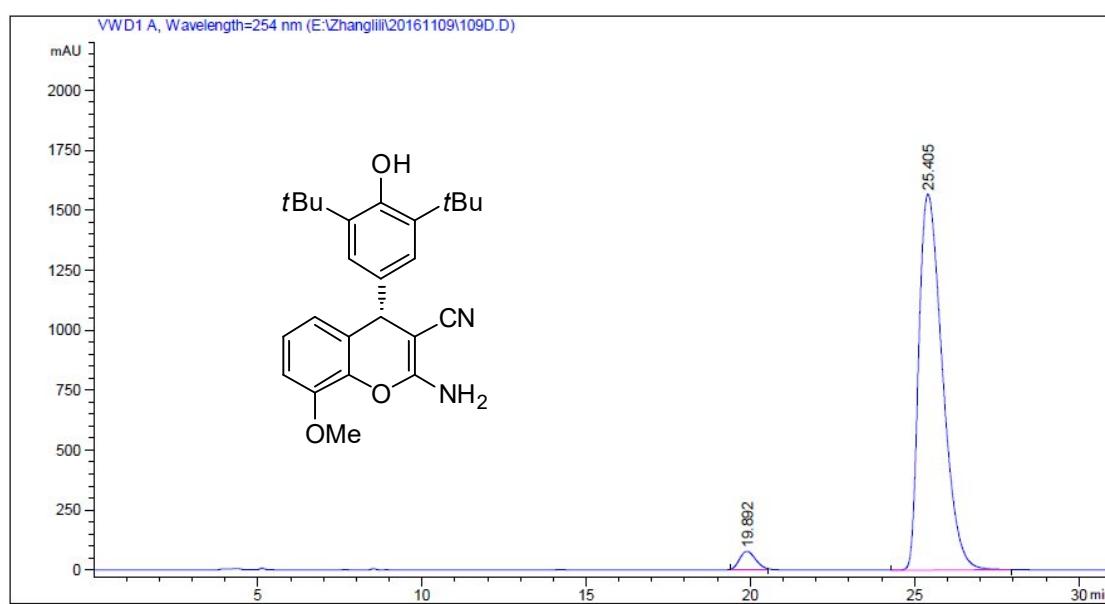
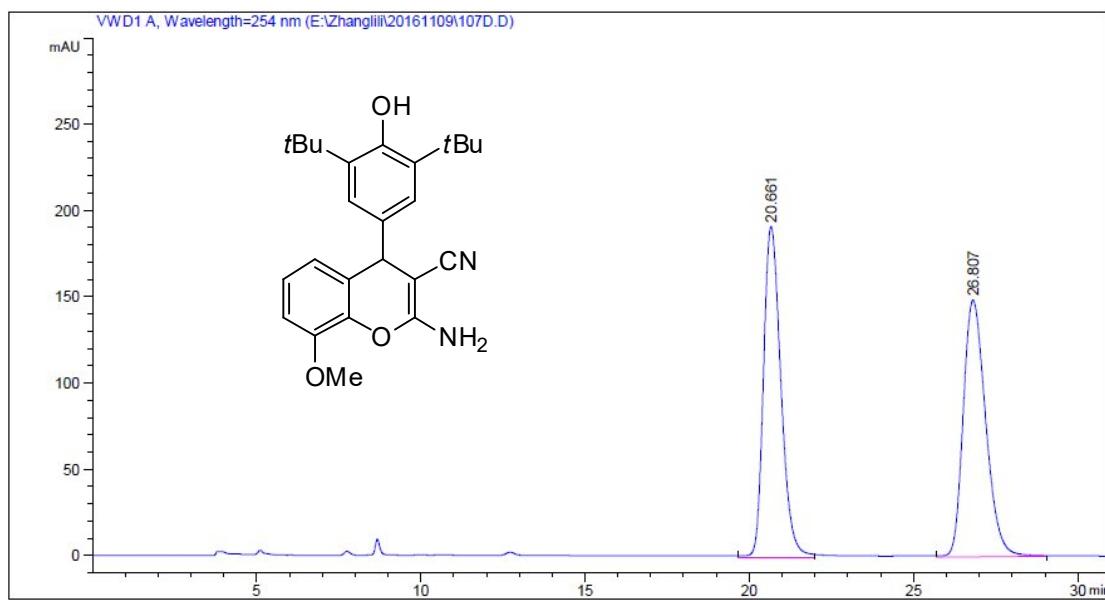


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|---|-------|---------|--------|--------|----------|--------|
| 1 | 12.63 | 22172.8 | 853.5 | 0.4294 | 0 | 50.088 |
| 2 | 13.84 | 22095 | 809.2 | 0.4481 | 0 | 49.912 |

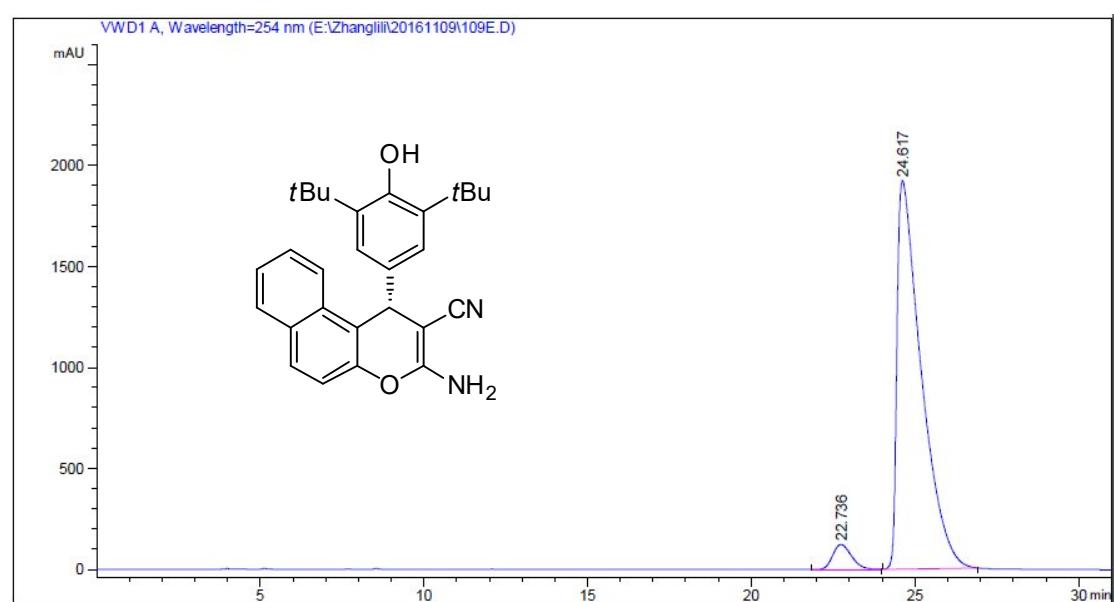
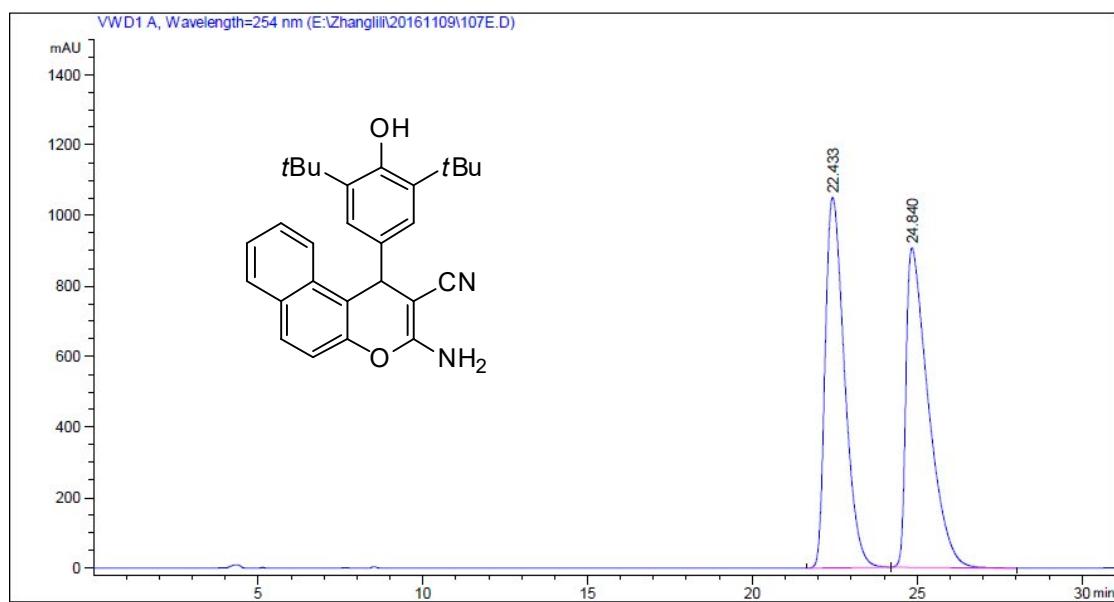


| # | Time | Area | Height | Width | Symmetry | Area % |
|---|--------|---------|--------|--------|----------|--------|
| 1 | 12.682 | 2186.1 | 89.7 | 0.4063 | 1.095 | 4.023 |
| 2 | 13.794 | 52156.7 | 1880.3 | 0.441 | 0 | 95.977 |

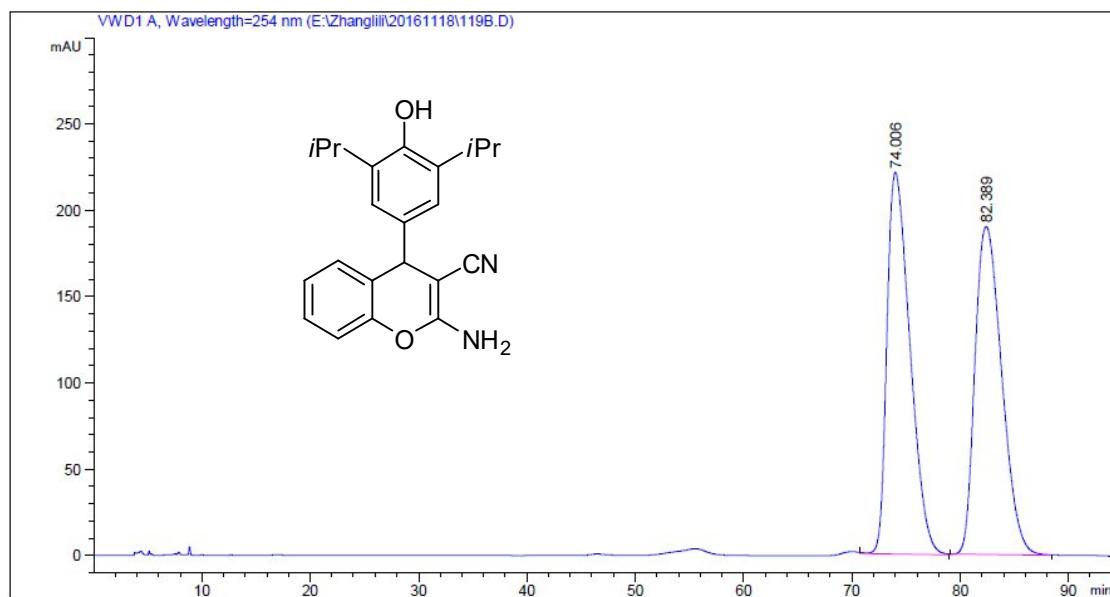
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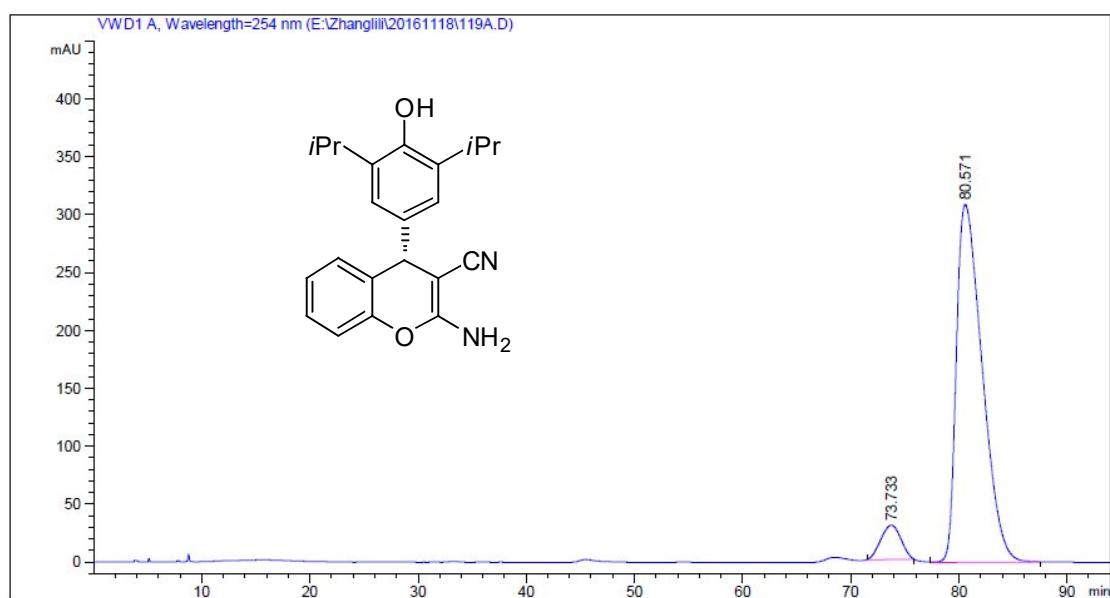
(S)-3-amino-1-(3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-1*H*-benzo[*f*]chromene-2-carbonitrile (3j)



**(S)-2-amino-4-(4-hydroxy-3,5-diisopropylphenyl)-4H-chromene-3-carbonitrile
(3k)**

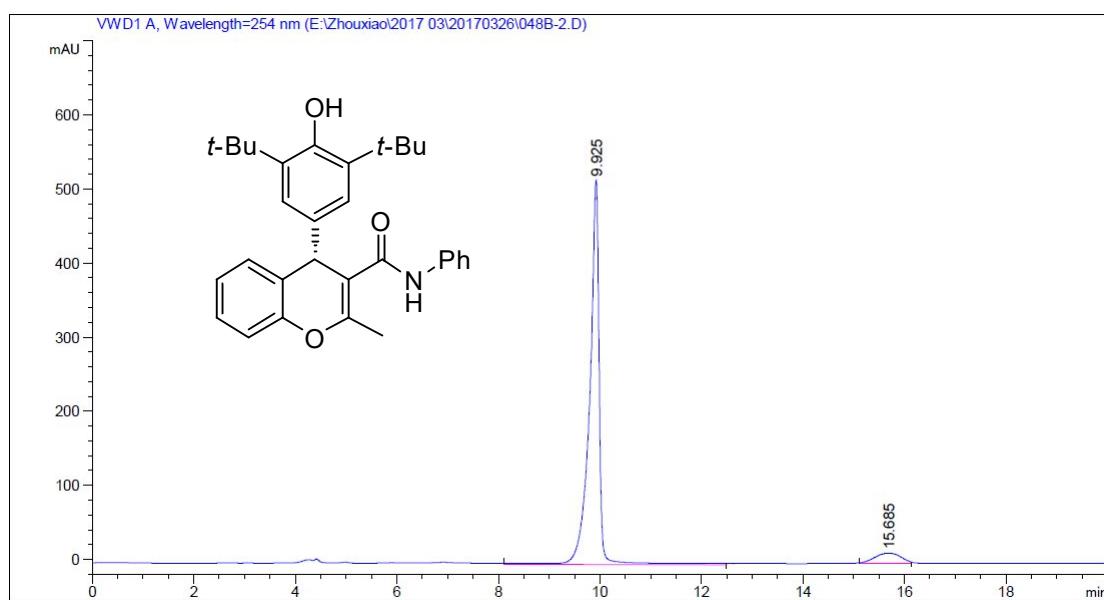
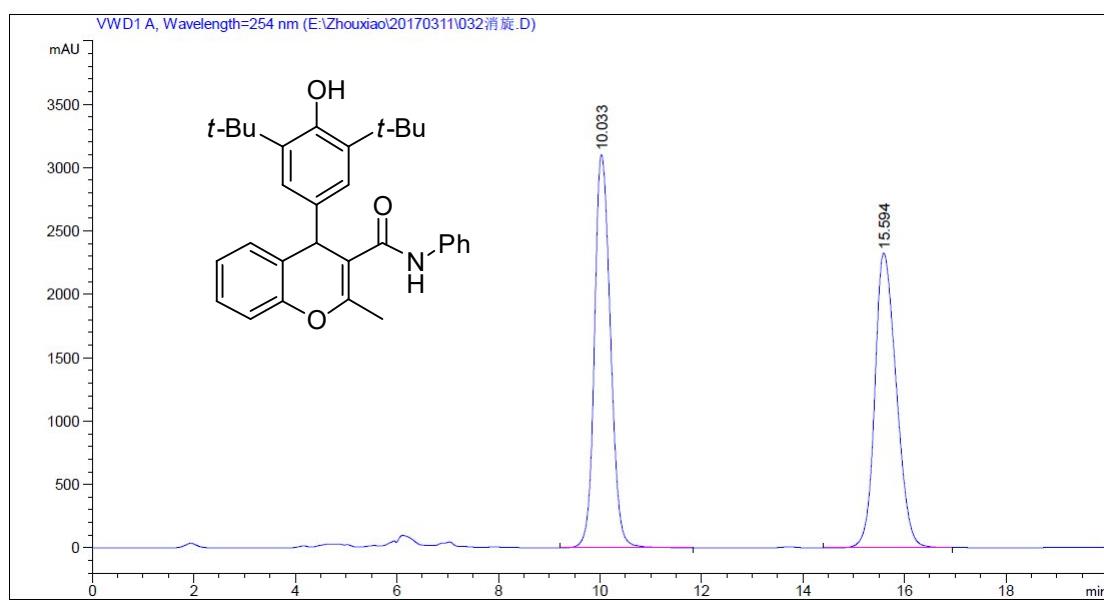


| # | Time | Area | Height | Width | Symmetry | Area % |
|---|--------|---------|--------|--------|----------|--------|
| 1 | 74.006 | 32531.8 | 221.2 | 2.2659 | 0 | 49.911 |
| 2 | 82.389 | 32647.3 | 190.1 | 2.6941 | 0 | 50.089 |

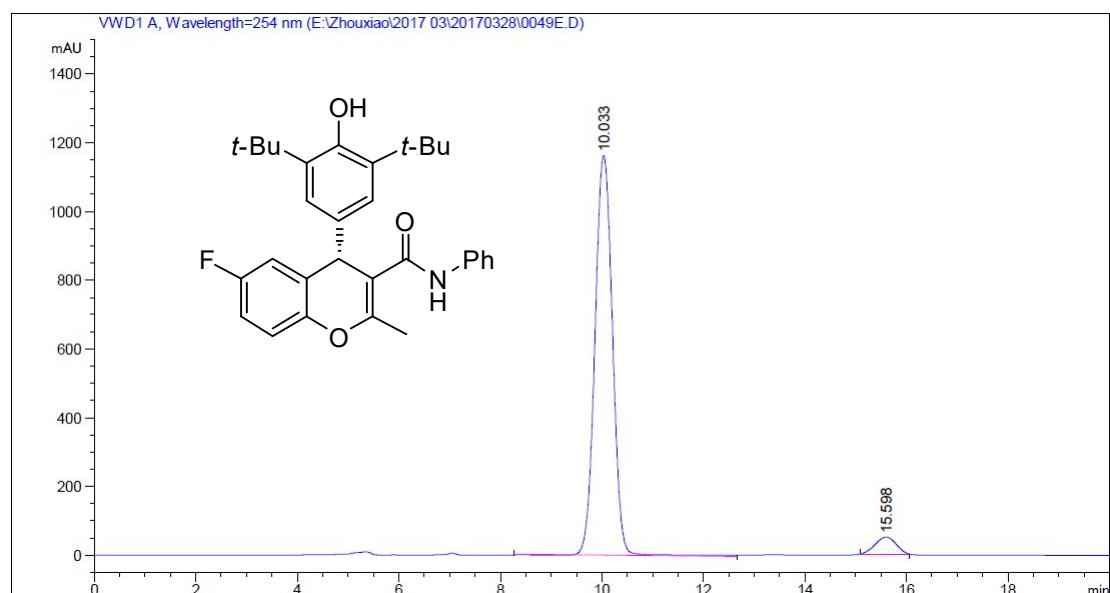
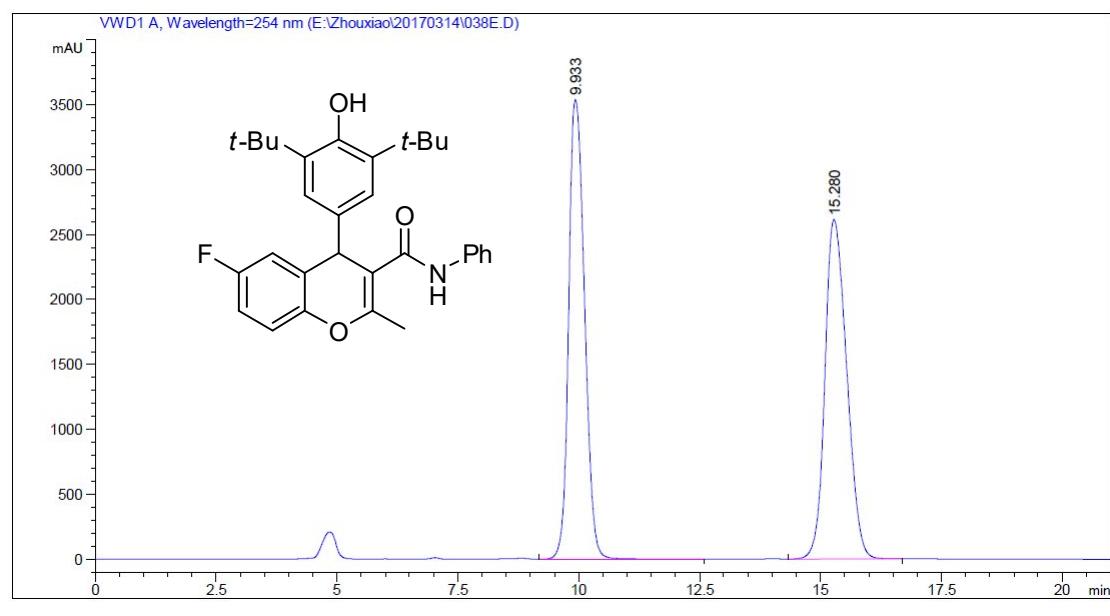


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|---|--------|---------|--------|--------|----------|--------|
| 1 | 73.733 | 3843.1 | 29.6 | 2.1668 | 1.051 | 7.011 |
| 2 | 80.571 | 50974.2 | 308.9 | 2.7505 | 0.502 | 92.989 |

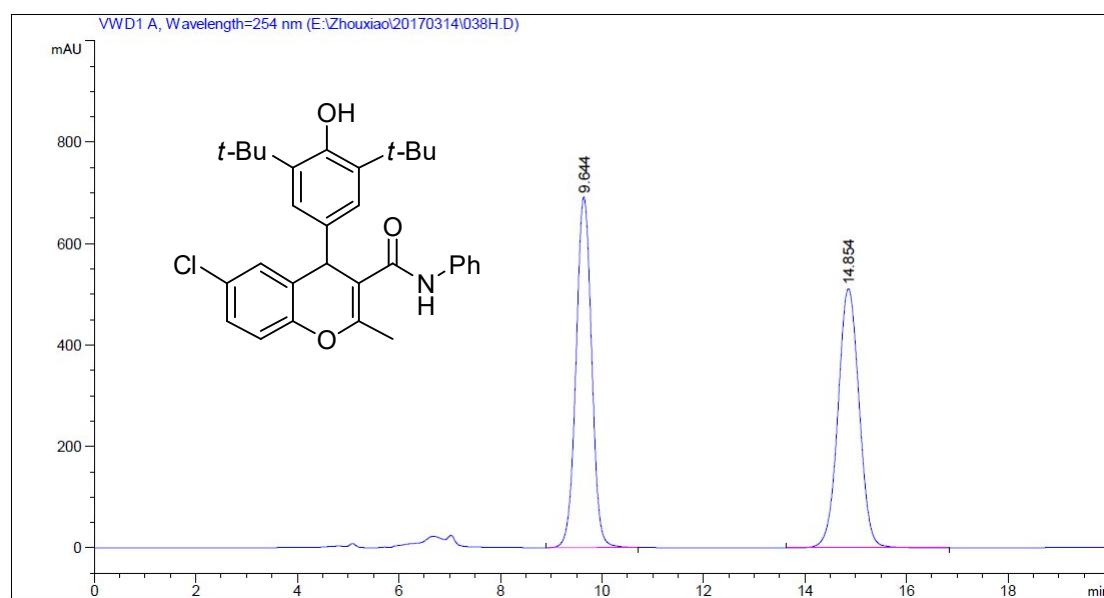
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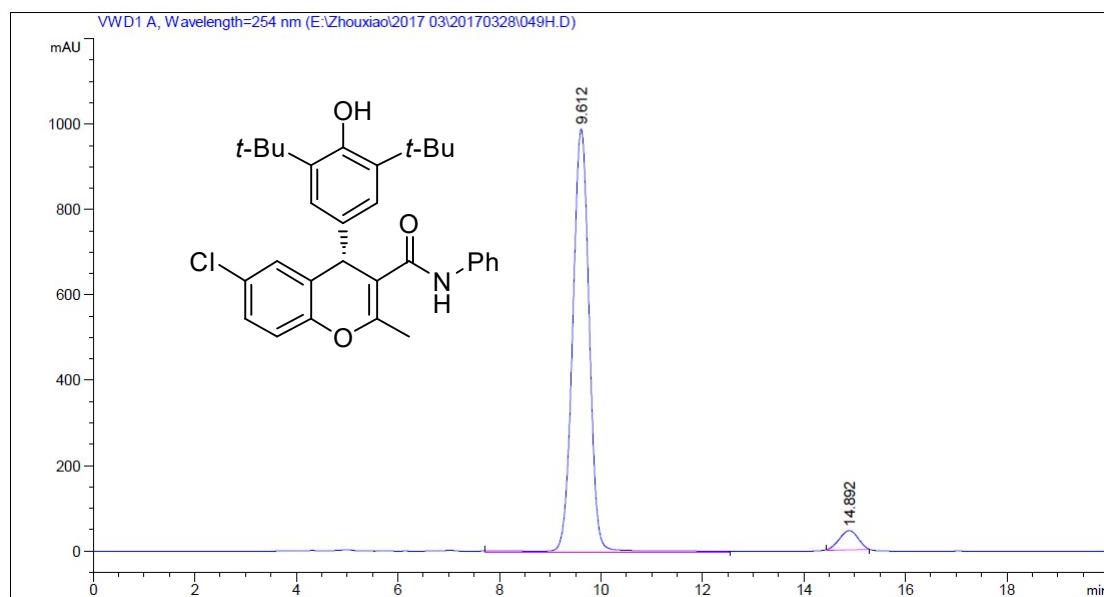
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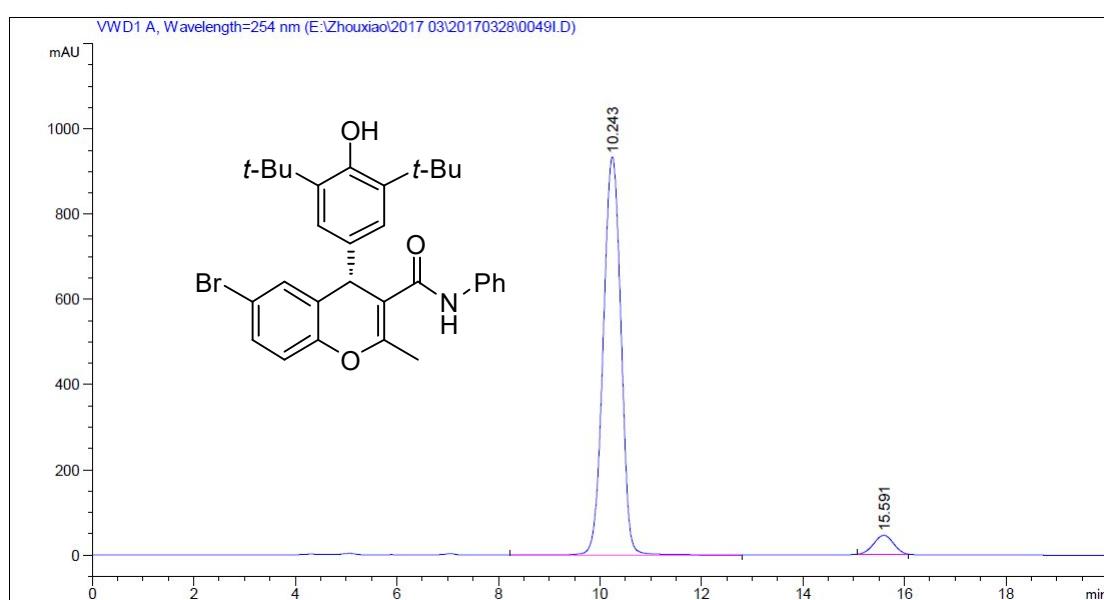
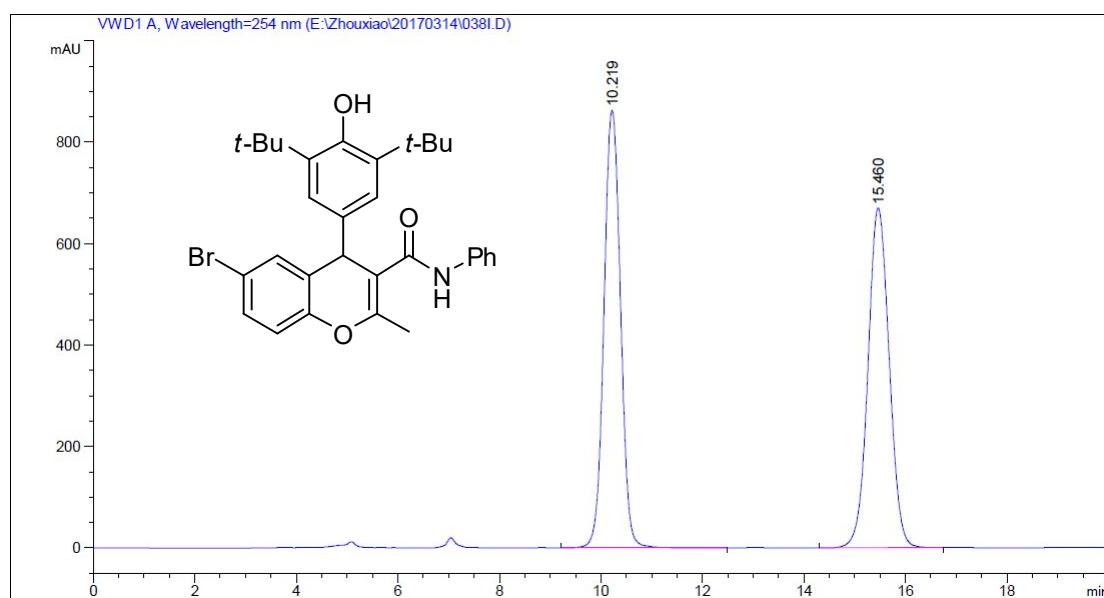


| # | Time | Area | Height | Width | Symmetry | Area% |
|---|--------|---------|--------|--------|----------|--------|
| 1 | 9.644 | 14723.9 | 690.8 | 0.3347 | 0.974 | 49.882 |
| 2 | 14.854 | 14793.4 | 511 | 0.4537 | 0.936 | 50.118 |

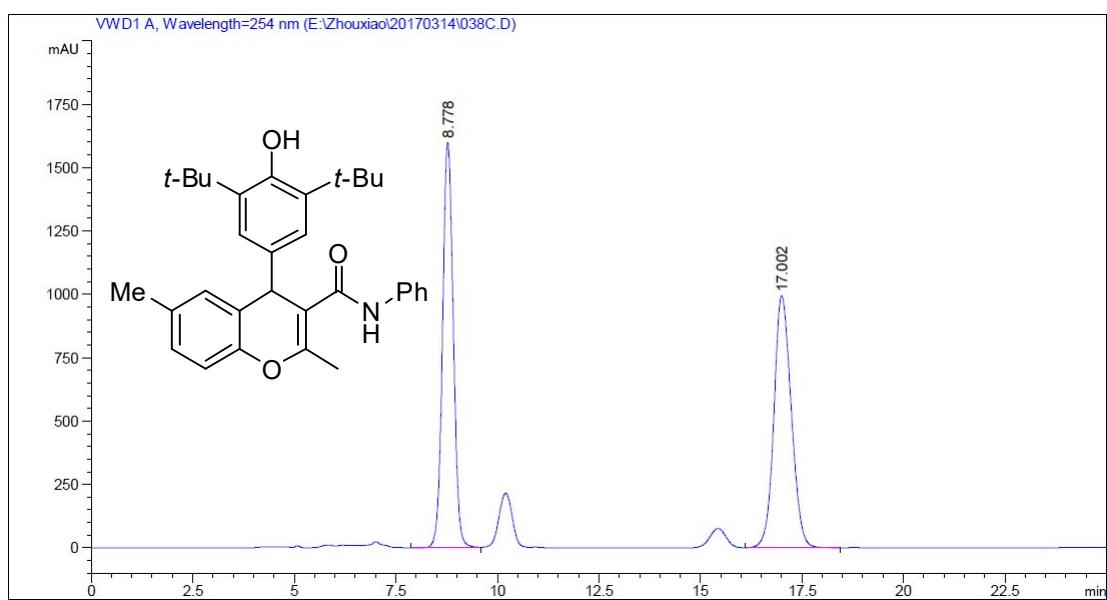


| # | Time | Area | Height | Width | Symmetry | Area% |
|---|--------|---------|--------|--------|----------|--------|
| 1 | 9.612 | 22737.3 | 991.6 | 0.3822 | 1.001 | 95.115 |
| 2 | 14.892 | 1167.8 | 45 | 0.4329 | 1.101 | 4.885 |

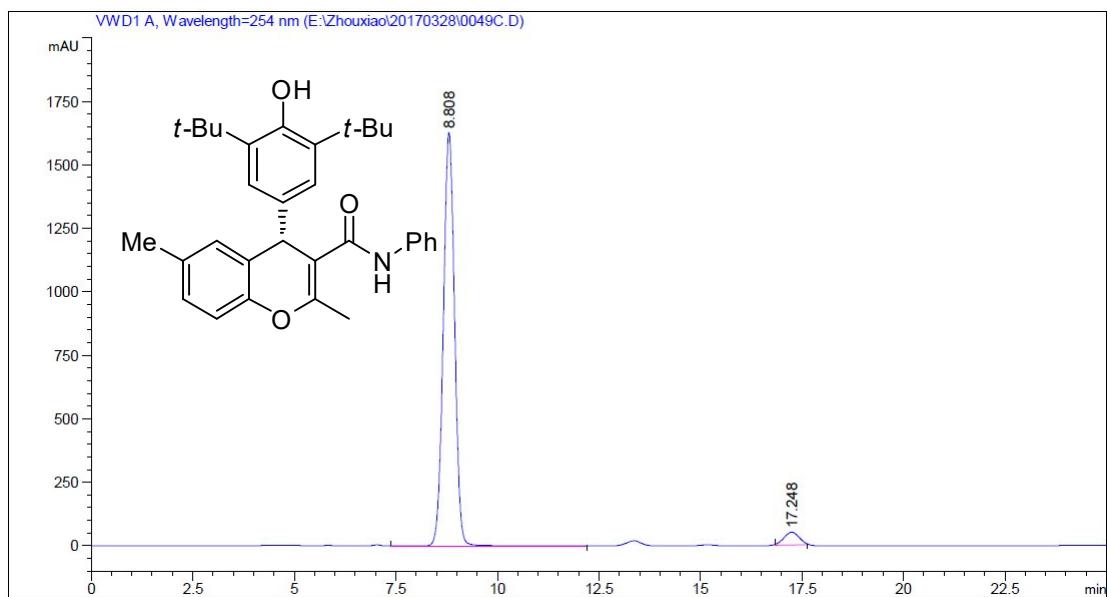
(S)-6-bromo-4-(3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-2-methyl-N-phenyl-4*H*-chromene-3-carboxamide (6da)



(S)-4-(3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-2,6-dimethyl-N-phenyl-4*H*-chromene-3-carboxamide (6ea)

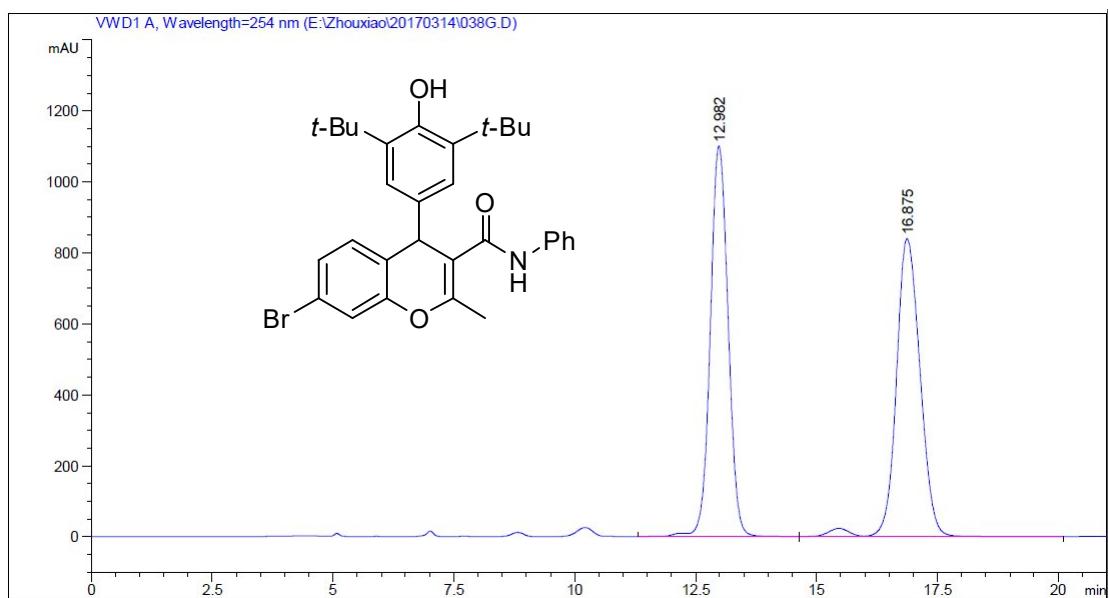


| # | Time | Area | Height | Width | Symmetry | Area% |
|---|--------|---------|--------|--------|----------|--------|
| 1 | 8.778 | 29386.5 | 1599.2 | 0.2864 | 0.891 | 49.878 |
| 2 | 17.002 | 29530.7 | 993.8 | 0.4597 | 0.796 | 50.122 |

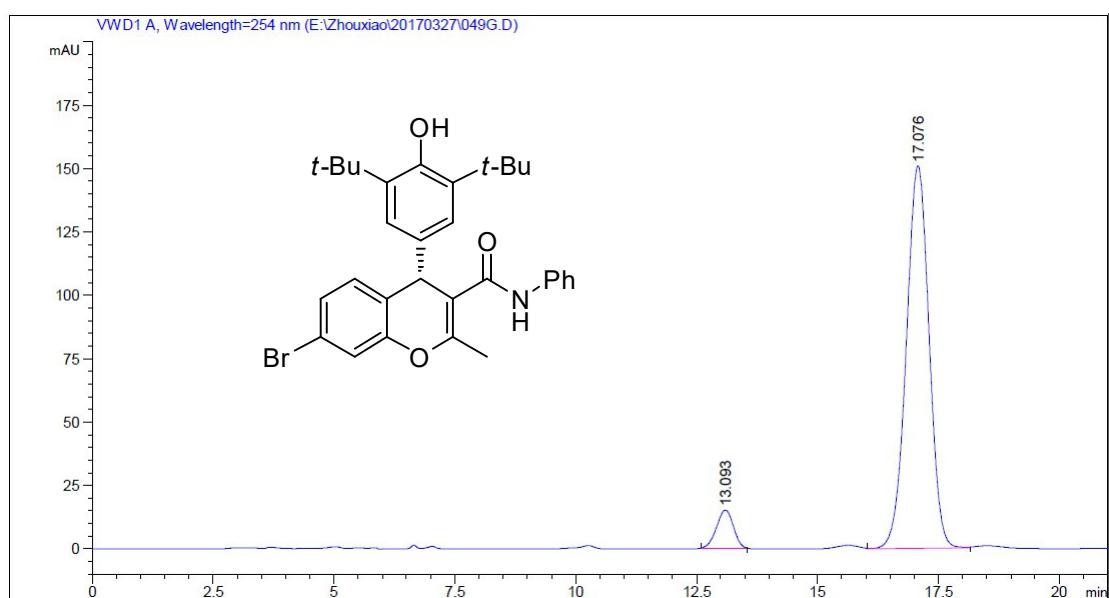


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|---|--------|---------|--------|--------|----------|--------|
| 1 | 8.808 | 31829.9 | 1627.7 | 0.3259 | 0.952 | 95.980 |
| 2 | 17.248 | 1333 | 50.4 | 0.441 | 1.046 | 4.020 |

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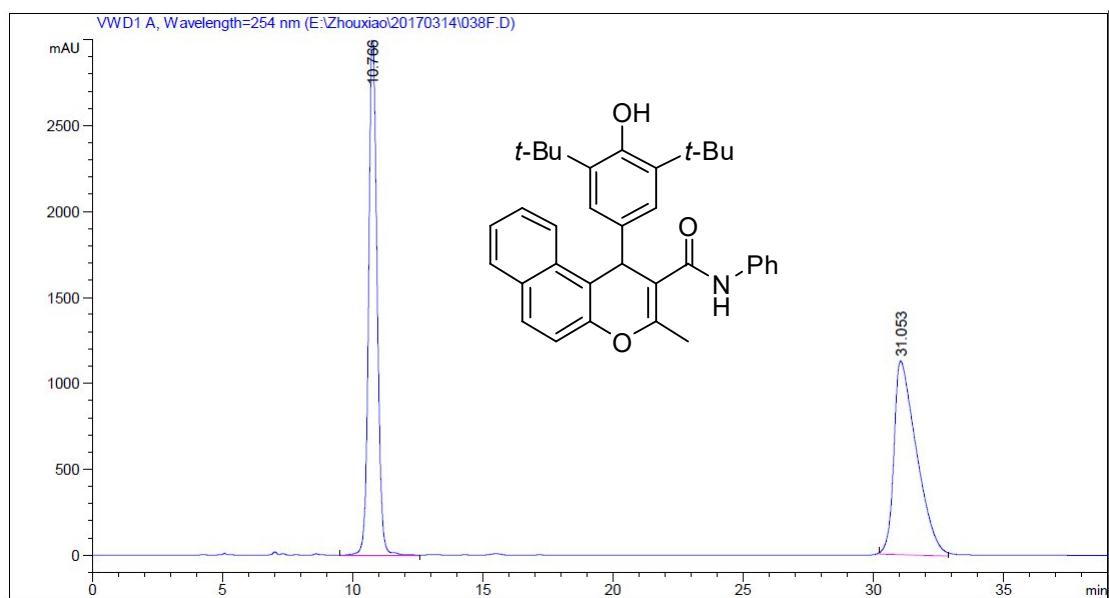


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|---|--------|---------|--------|--------|----------|--------|
| 1 | 12.982 | 28287.2 | 1100.2 | 0.3999 | 0.932 | 49.367 |
| 2 | 16.875 | 29012.2 | 839.4 | 0.5287 | 0.889 | 50.633 |

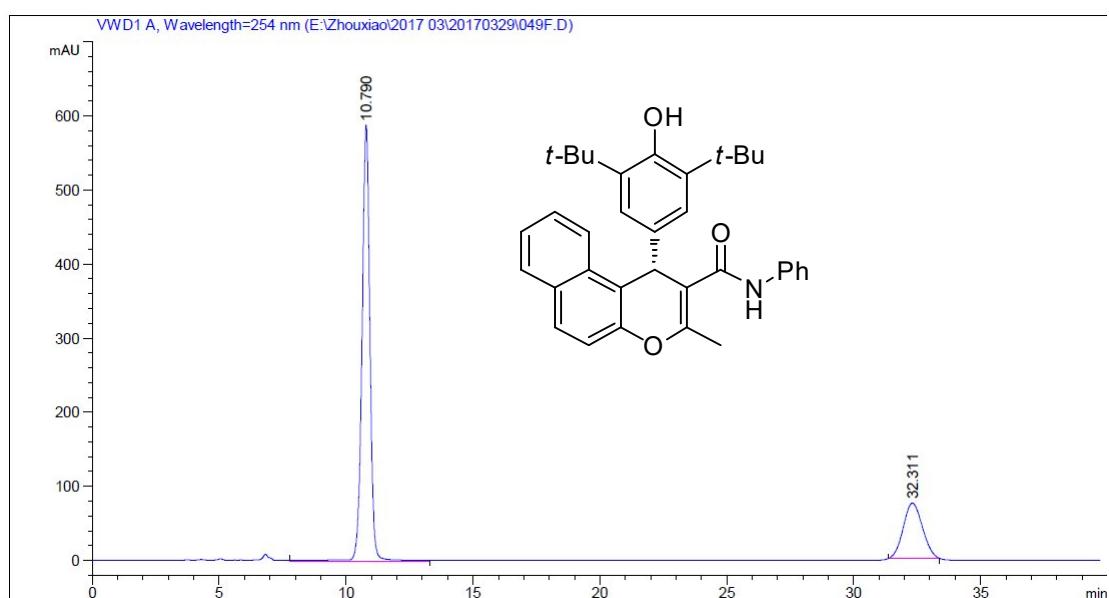


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|---|--------|--------|--------|--------|----------|--------|
| 1 | 13.093 | 364.9 | 15.1 | 0.4038 | 1.074 | 6.899 |
| 2 | 17.076 | 4923.8 | 150.8 | 0.5442 | 1.015 | 93.101 |

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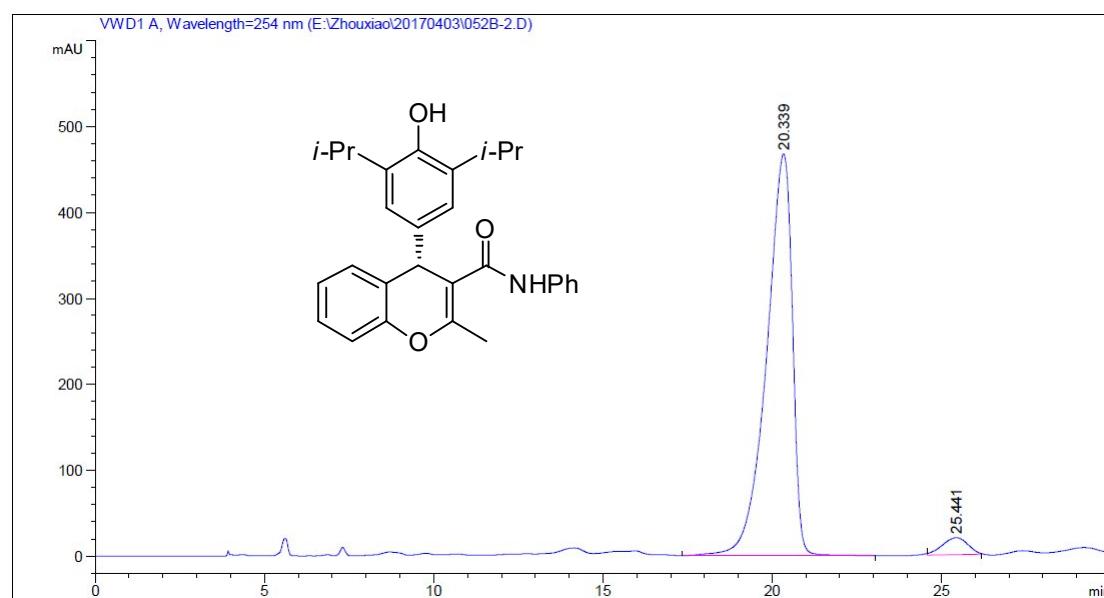
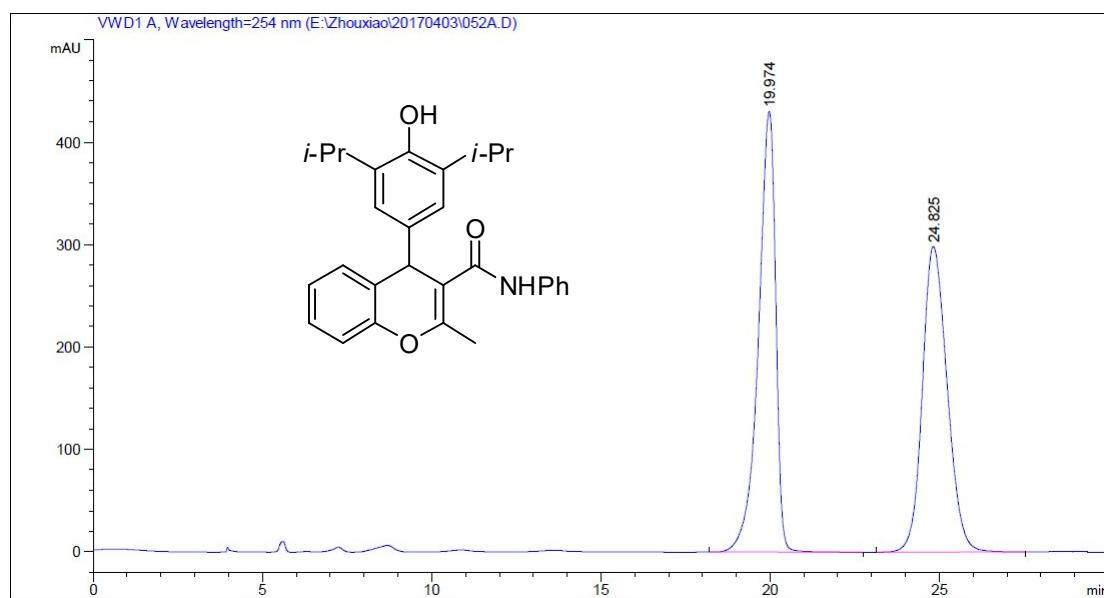


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|---|--------|---------|--------|--------|----------|--------|
| 1 | 10.766 | 68116.8 | 3068 | 0.3378 | 0.816 | 50.020 |
| 2 | 31.053 | 68061.1 | 1127.3 | 1.0063 | 0.414 | 49.980 |

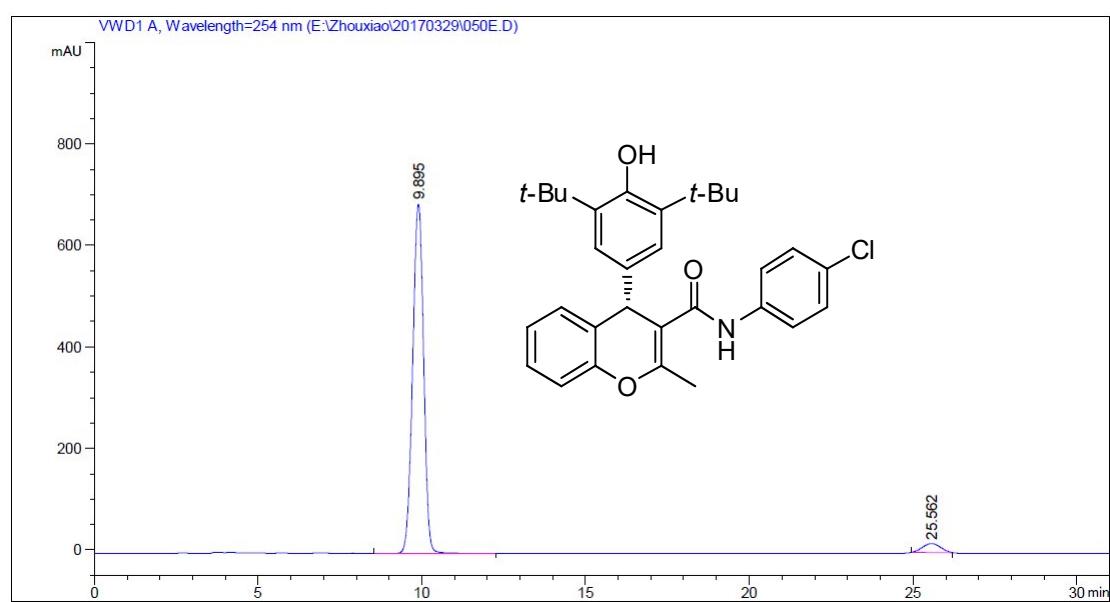
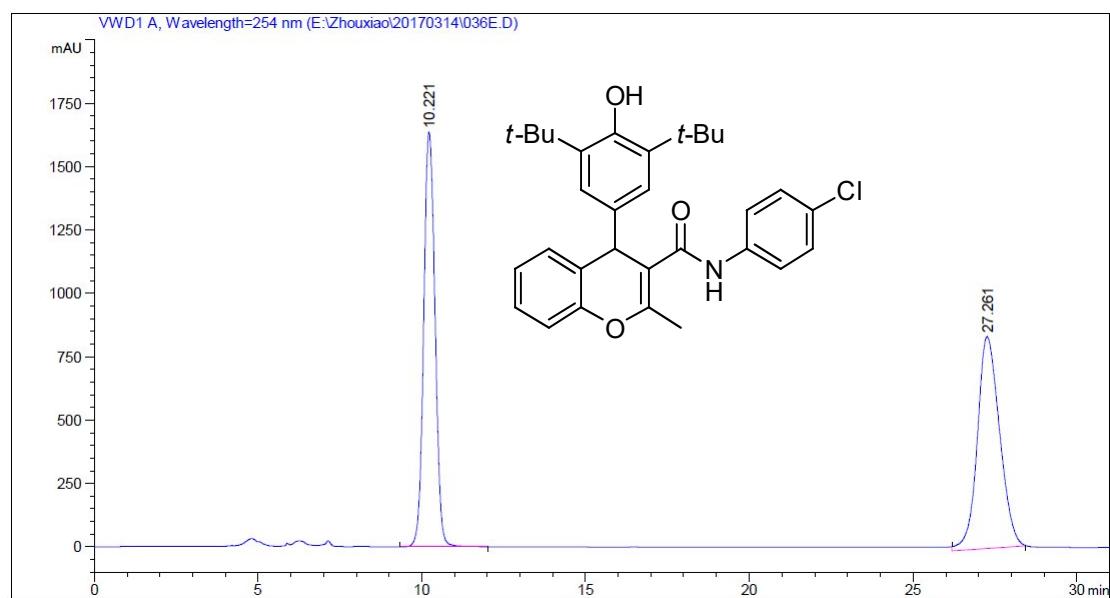


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|---|--------|---------|--------|--------|----------|--------|
| 1 | 10.79 | 12980.7 | 588.8 | 0.3674 | 1.056 | 76.855 |
| 2 | 32.311 | 3909.2 | 74.5 | 0.8747 | 0.887 | 23.145 |

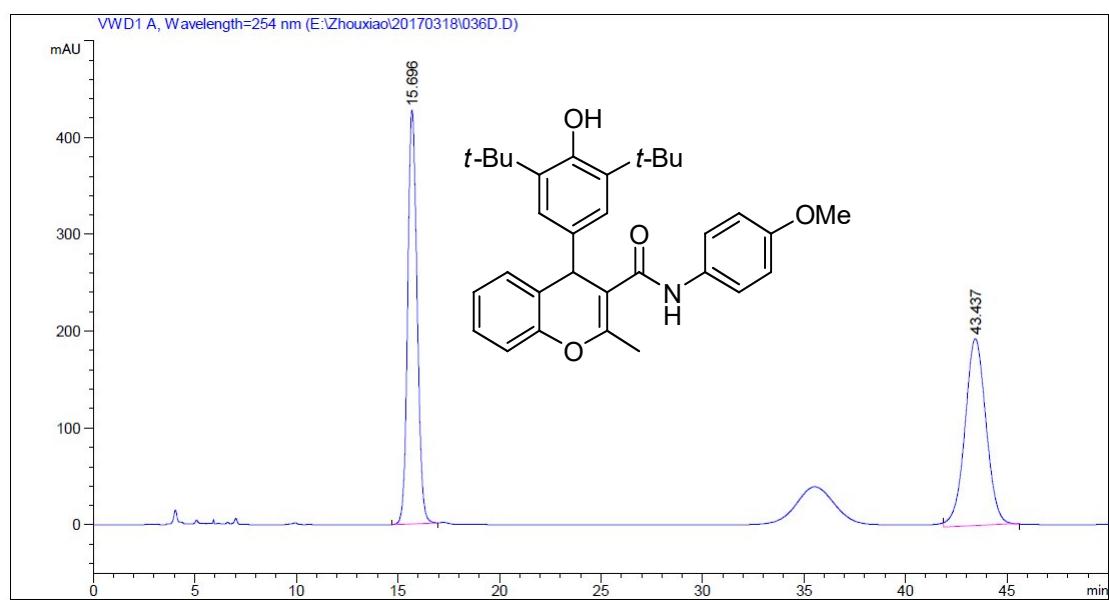
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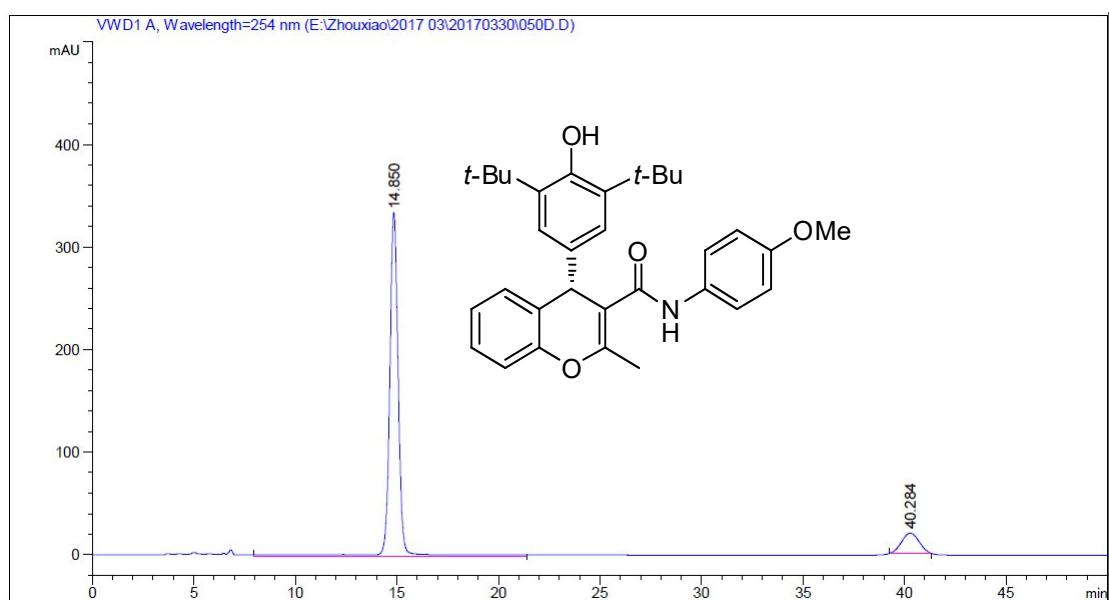
(S)-N-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-(3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-2-methyl-4*H*-chromene-3-carboxamide (6ab)



(S)-4-(3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-N-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-methyl-4*H*-chromene-3-carboxamide (6ac)

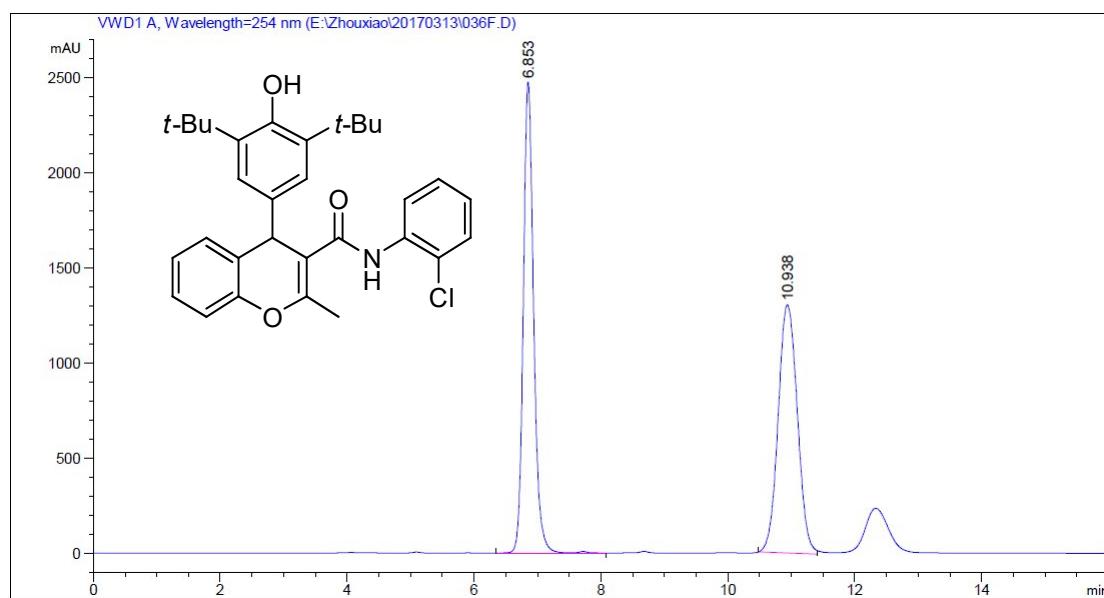


| # | Time | Area | Height | Width | Symmetry | Area% |
|---|--------|---------|--------|--------|----------|--------|
| 1 | 15.696 | 13728 | 427.3 | 0.5018 | 0.813 | 49.577 |
| 2 | 43.437 | 13962.5 | 193.1 | 1.205 | 0.95 | 50.423 |

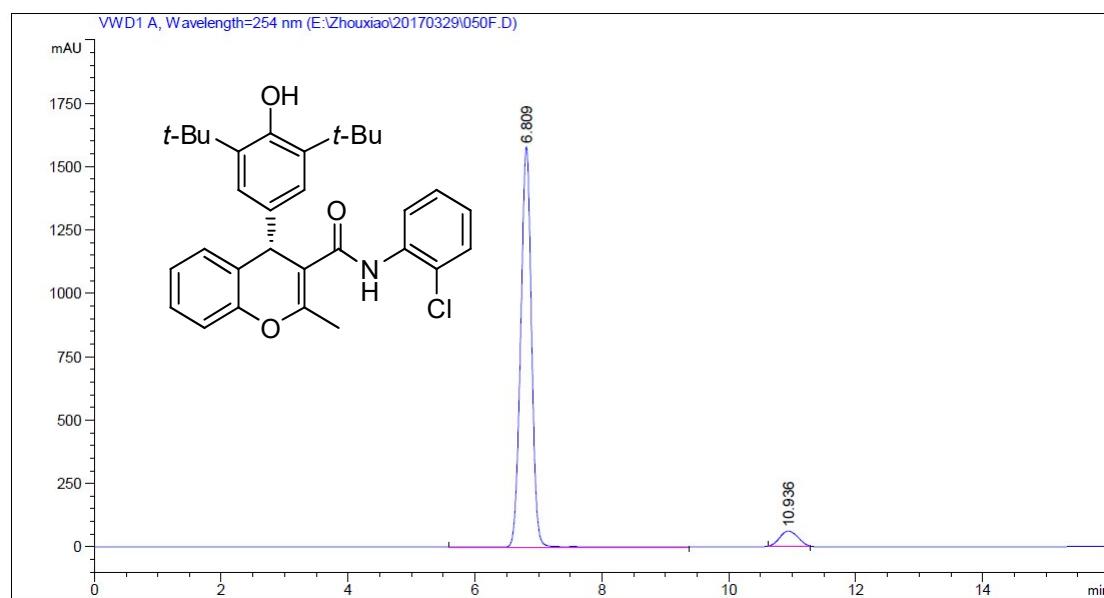


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|---|--------|---------|--------|--------|----------|--------|
| 1 | 14.85 | 10492.8 | 335 | 0.5221 | 0.923 | 89.864 |
| 2 | 40.284 | 1183.5 | 19.8 | 0.9965 | 0.968 | 10.136 |

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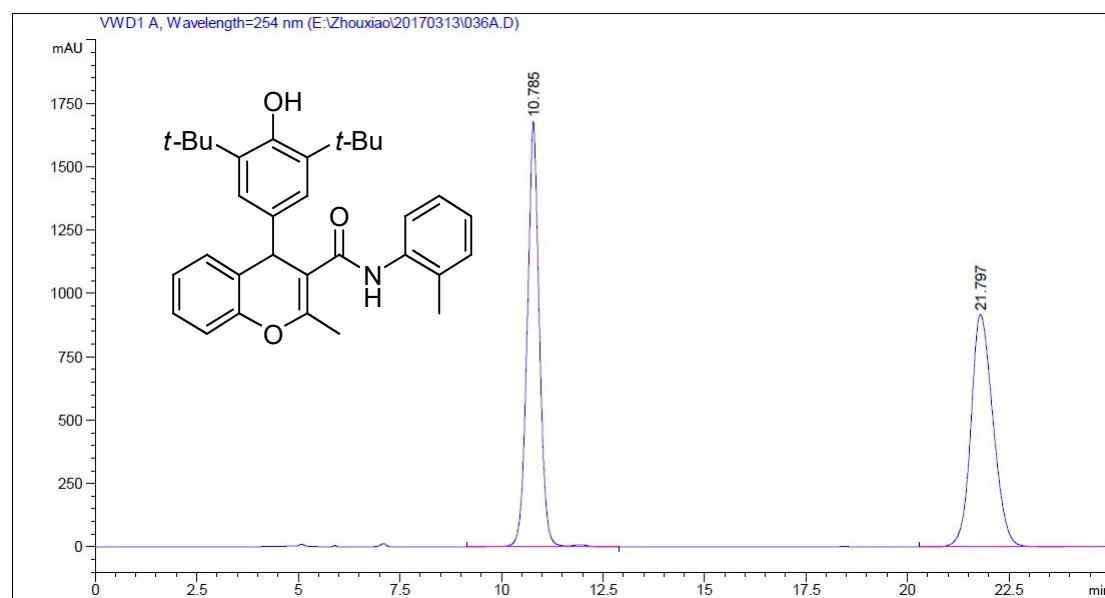


| # | Time | Area | Height | Width | Symmetry | Area% |
|---|--------|---------|--------|--------|----------|--------|
| 1 | 6.853 | 27943.7 | 2476.8 | 0.1722 | 0.81 | 50.504 |
| 2 | 10.938 | 27385.5 | 1304.7 | 0.3498 | 0.893 | 49.496 |

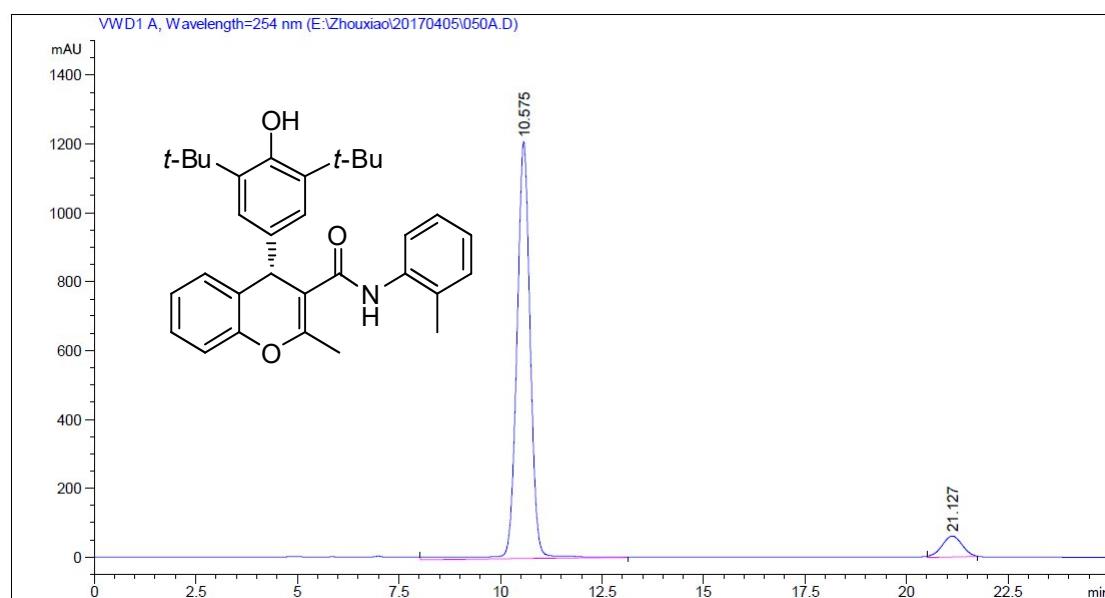


| # | Time | Area | Height | Width | Symmetry | Area% |
|---|--------|---------|--------|--------|----------|--------|
| 1 | 6.809 | 18963.2 | 1579.2 | 0.2001 | 1.049 | 93.909 |
| 2 | 10.936 | 1230 | 61 | 0.3363 | 0.88 | 6.091 |

(S)-4-(3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-2-methyl-N-(*o*-tolyl)-4*H*-chromene-3-carboxamide (6ae)

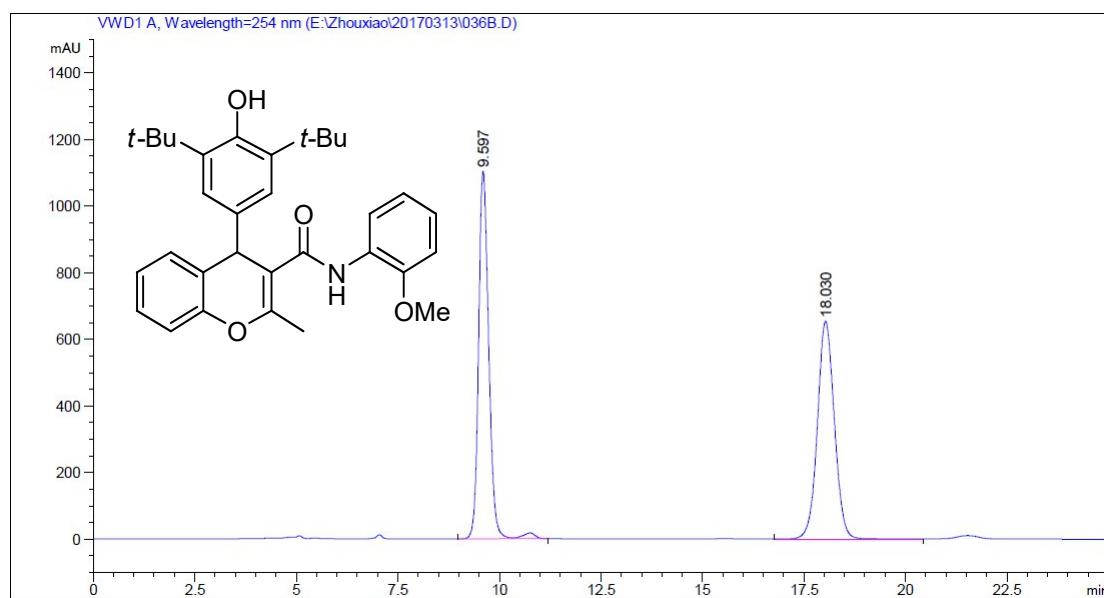


| # | Time | Area | Height | Width | Symmetry | Area% |
|---|--------|---------|--------|--------|----------|--------|
| 1 | 10.785 | 34777.4 | 1678.1 | 0.2923 | 0.978 | 50.017 |
| 2 | 21.797 | 34754 | 916.5 | 0.5844 | 0.739 | 49.983 |

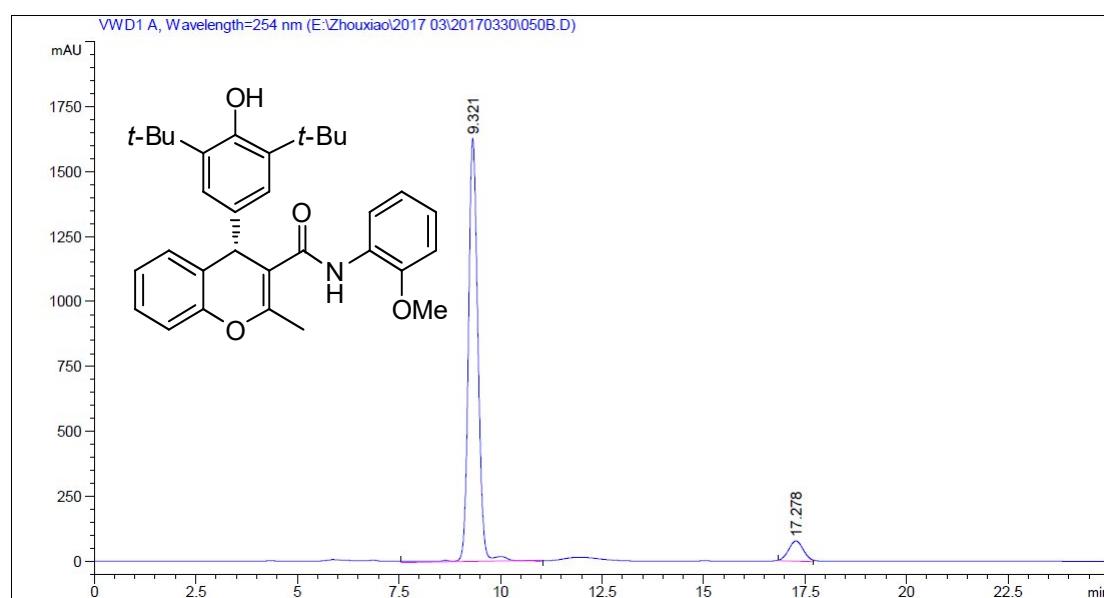


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|---|--------|---------|--------|--------|----------|--------|
| 1 | 10.575 | 28311.3 | 1210.9 | 0.3897 | 1.026 | 92.975 |
| 2 | 21.127 | 2139.1 | 61.1 | 0.5835 | 1.024 | 7.025 |

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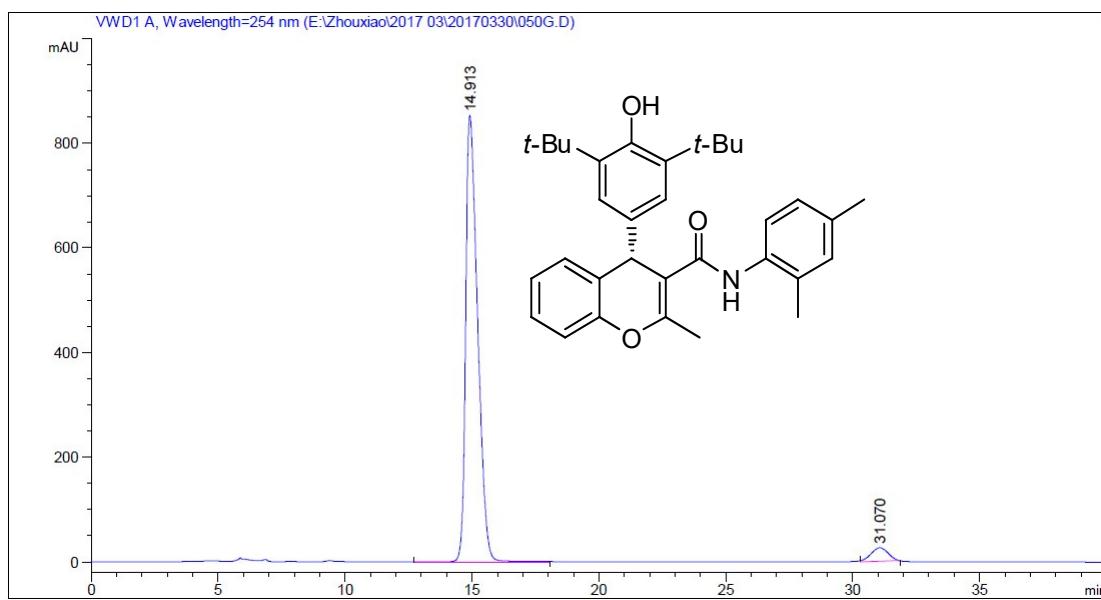
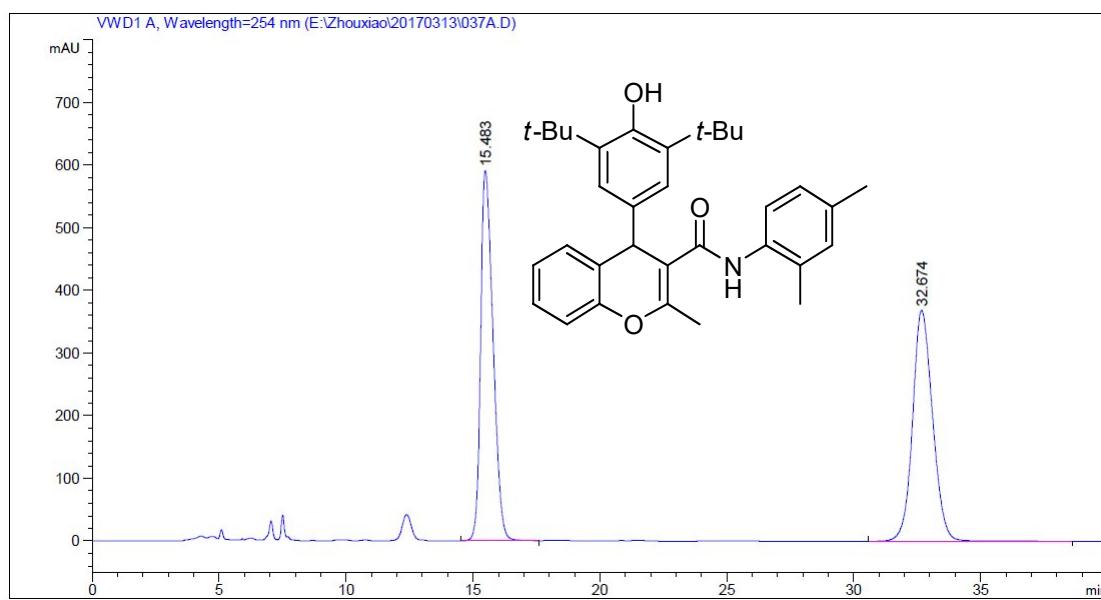


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|---|-------|---------|--------|--------|----------|--------|
| 1 | 9.597 | 19373.2 | 1104.9 | 0.2648 | 0.756 | 50.525 |
| 2 | 18.03 | 18970.8 | 653.9 | 0.4465 | 0.893 | 49.475 |

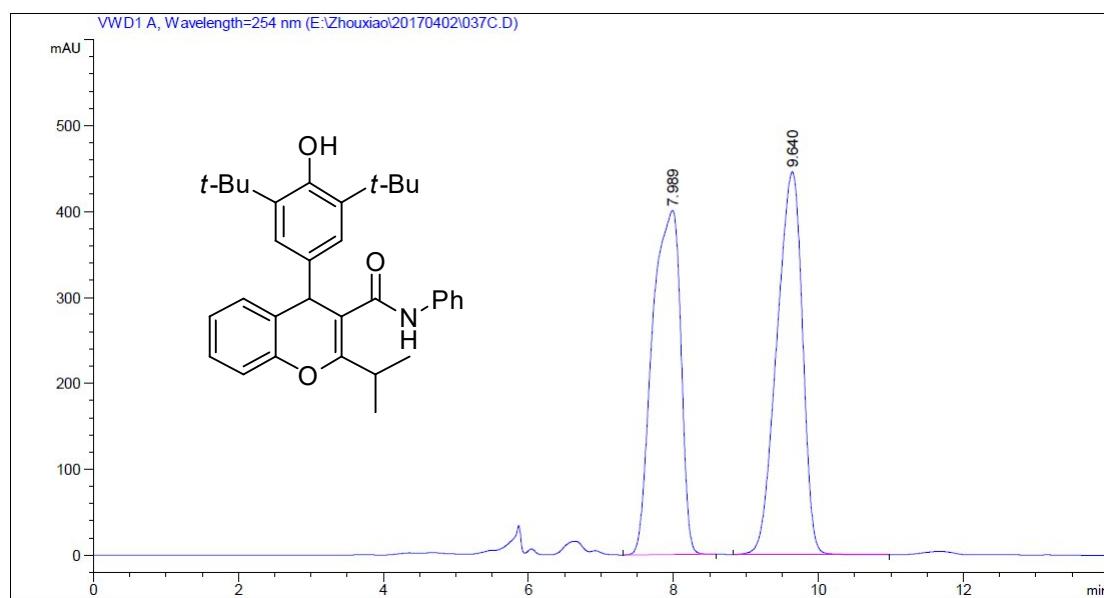


| # | Time | Area | Height | Width | Symmetry | Area% |
|---|--------|---------|--------|--------|----------|--------|
| 1 | 9.321 | 26618.9 | 1629.1 | 0.2723 | 0.824 | 93.158 |
| 2 | 17.278 | 1955 | 77 | 0.423 | 0.945 | 6.842 |

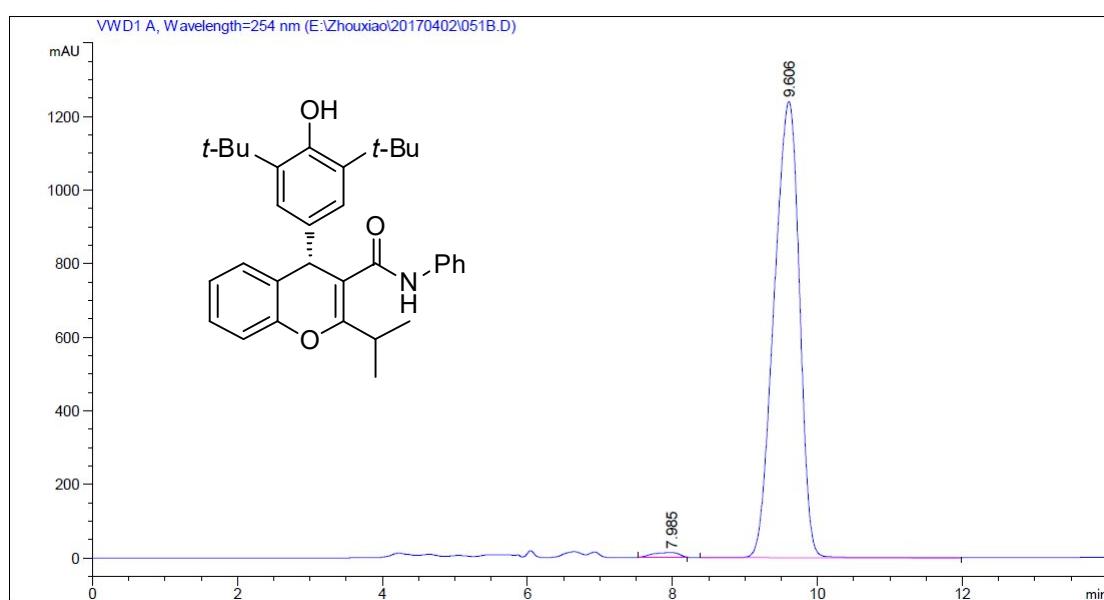
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(S)-4-(3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-2-isopropyl-*N*-phenyl-4*H*-chromene-3-carboxamide (6ah)

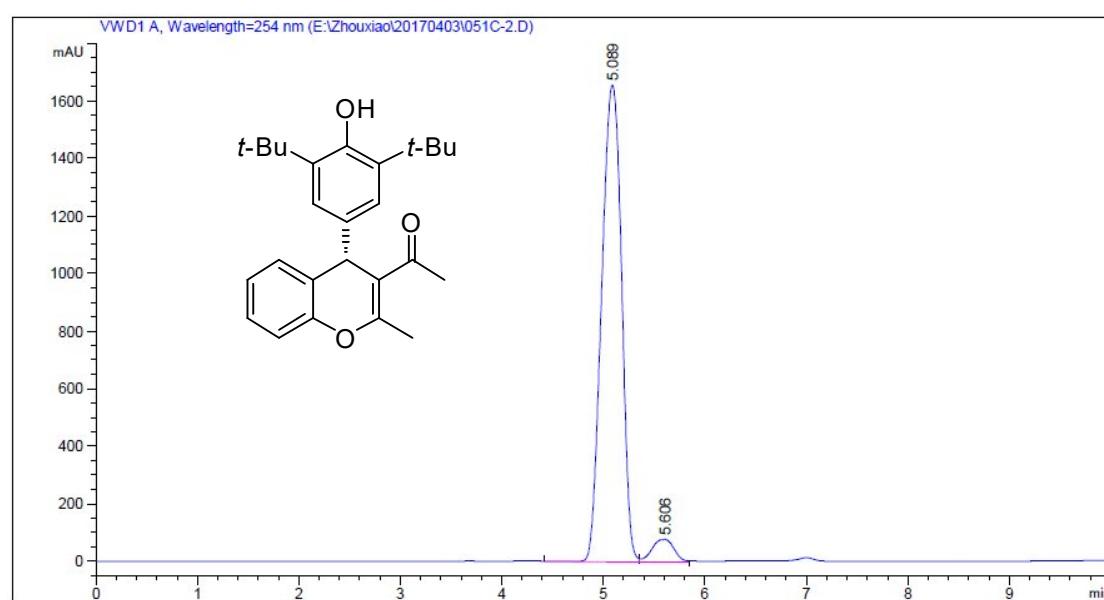
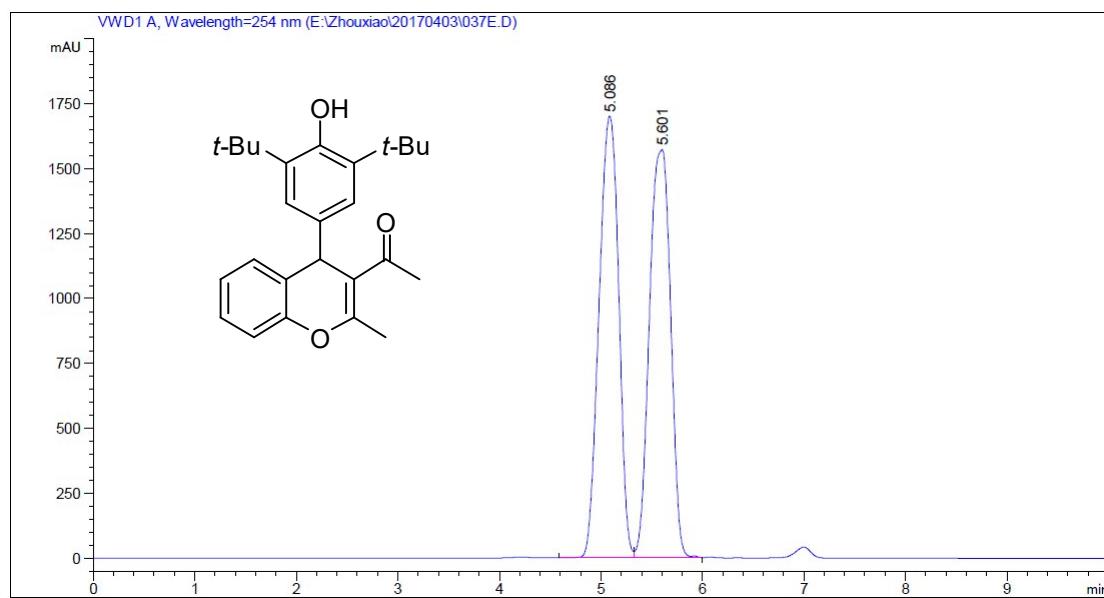


| # | Time | Area | Height | Width | Symmetry | Area% |
|---|-------|---------|--------|--------|----------|--------|
| 1 | 7.989 | 10806.9 | 400.6 | 0.3687 | 2.242 | 49.713 |
| 2 | 9.64 | 10931.8 | 445.6 | 0.4012 | 1.449 | 50.287 |

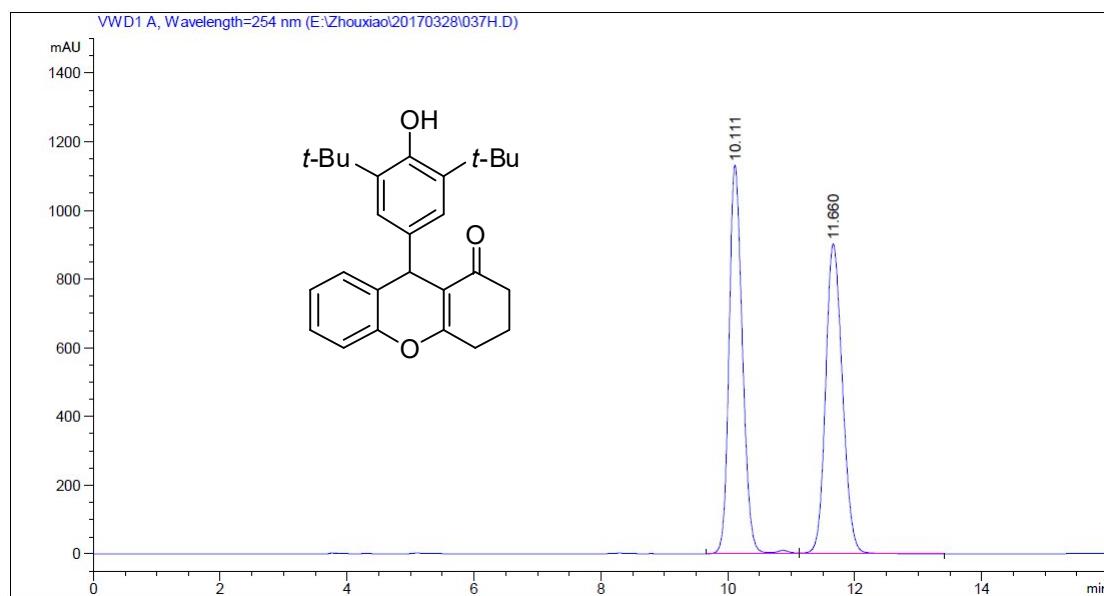


| # | Time | Area | Height | Width | Symmetry | Area% |
|---|-------|---------|--------|--------|----------|--------|
| 1 | 7.985 | 350.3 | 13.5 | 0.4325 | 2.368 | 1.149 |
| 2 | 9,606 | 30139.1 | 1239.8 | 0.4052 | 1.325 | 98.851 |

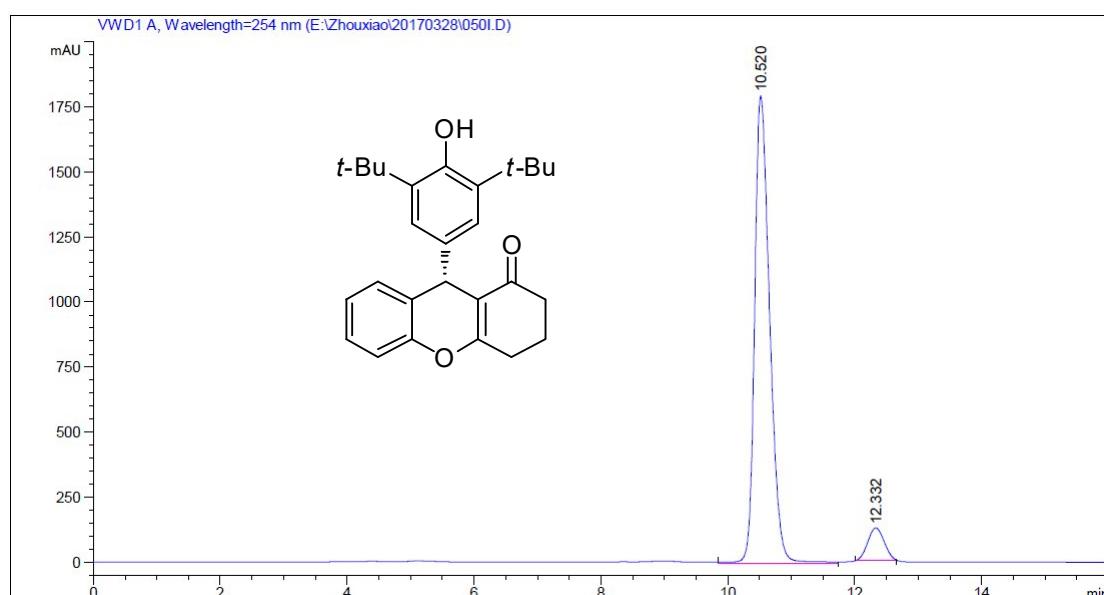
(S)-1-(4-(3,5-Di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-2-methyl-4*H*-chromen-3-yl)ethanone (6ai)



**(S)-9-(3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-2,3,4,9-tetrahydro-1*H*-xanthen-1-one
(6aj)**

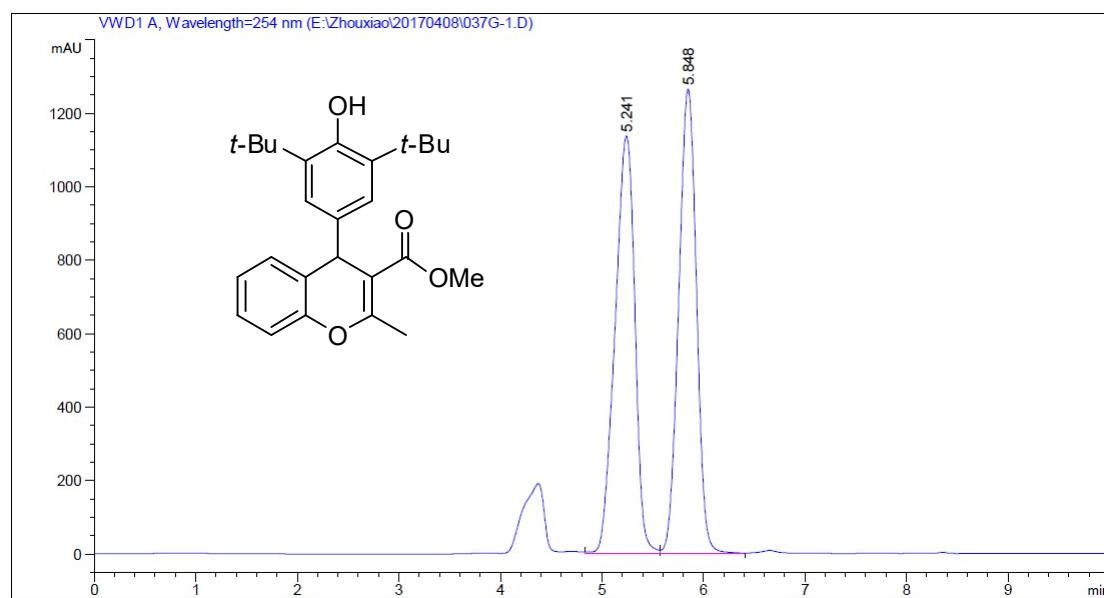


| # | Time | Area | Height | Width | Symmetry | Area% |
|---|--------|---------|--------|--------|----------|--------|
| 1 | 10.111 | 16644.6 | 1131.2 | 0.2248 | 0.751 | 50.042 |
| 2 | 11.66 | 16616.9 | 901.5 | 0.2871 | 0.795 | 49.958 |

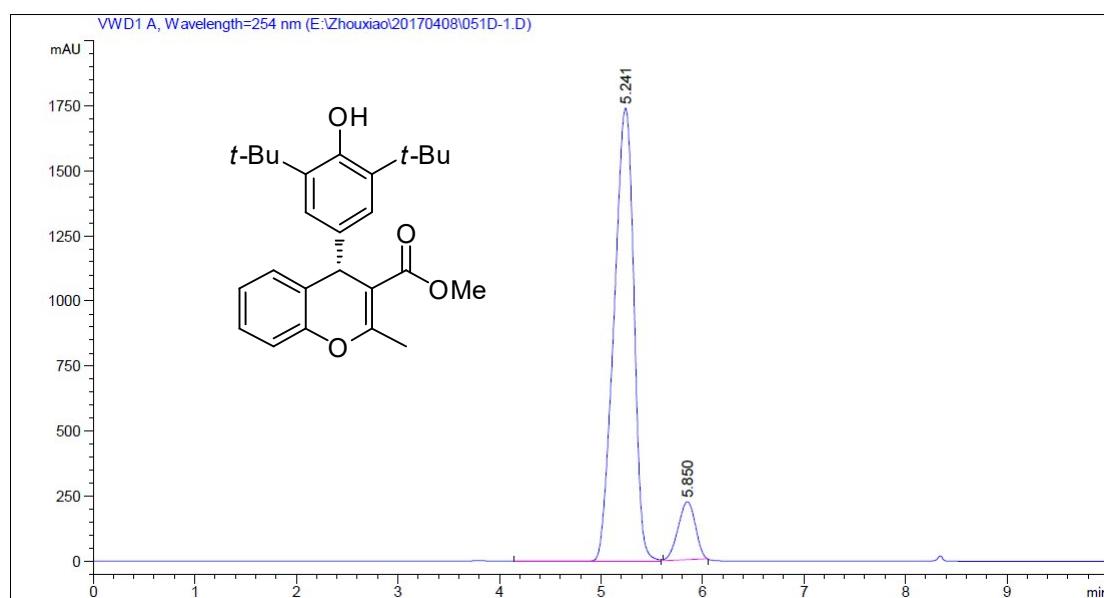


| # | Time | Area | Height | Width | Symmetry | Area% |
|---|--------|---------|--------|--------|----------|--------|
| 1 | 10.52 | 29630.5 | 1796.8 | 0.2748 | 0.654 | 92.911 |
| 2 | 12.332 | 2260.9 | 125.4 | 0.3005 | 0.928 | 7.089 |

(S)-methyl 4-(3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-2-methyl-4*H*-chromene-3-carboxylate (6ak)

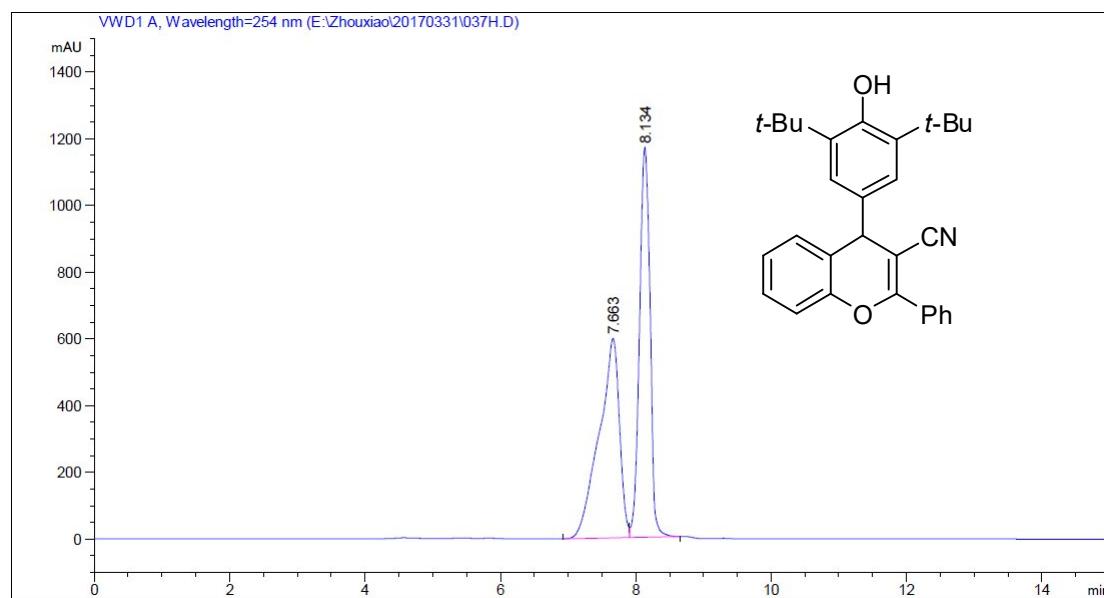


| # | Time | Area | Height | Width | Symmetry | Area% |
|---|-------|---------|--------|--------|----------|--------|
| 1 | 5.241 | 15436.4 | 1136.1 | 0.2095 | 1.3 | 50.126 |
| 2 | 5.848 | 15359 | 1263.4 | 0.1908 | 1.055 | 49.874 |

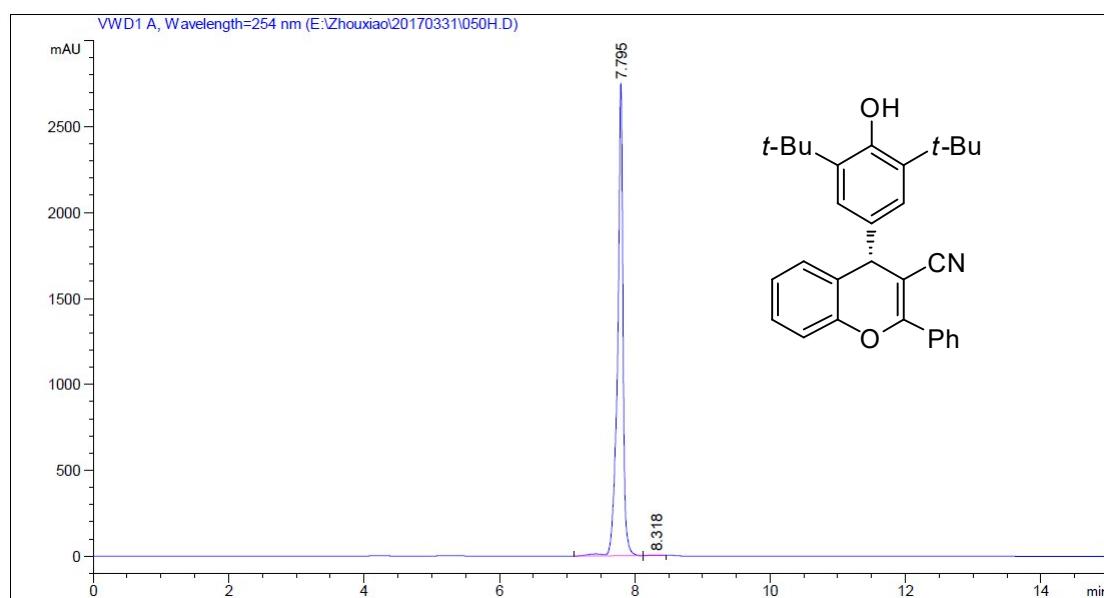


| # | Time | Area | Height | Width | Symmetry | Area% |
|---|-------|---------|--------|--------|----------|--------|
| 1 | 5.241 | 23699.3 | 1741.6 | 0.2268 | 1.298 | 90.027 |
| 2 | 5.85 | 2625.4 | 223 | 0.1962 | 1.132 | 9.973 |

**(S)-4-(3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-2-phenyl-4*H*-chromene-3-carbonitrile
(6al)**

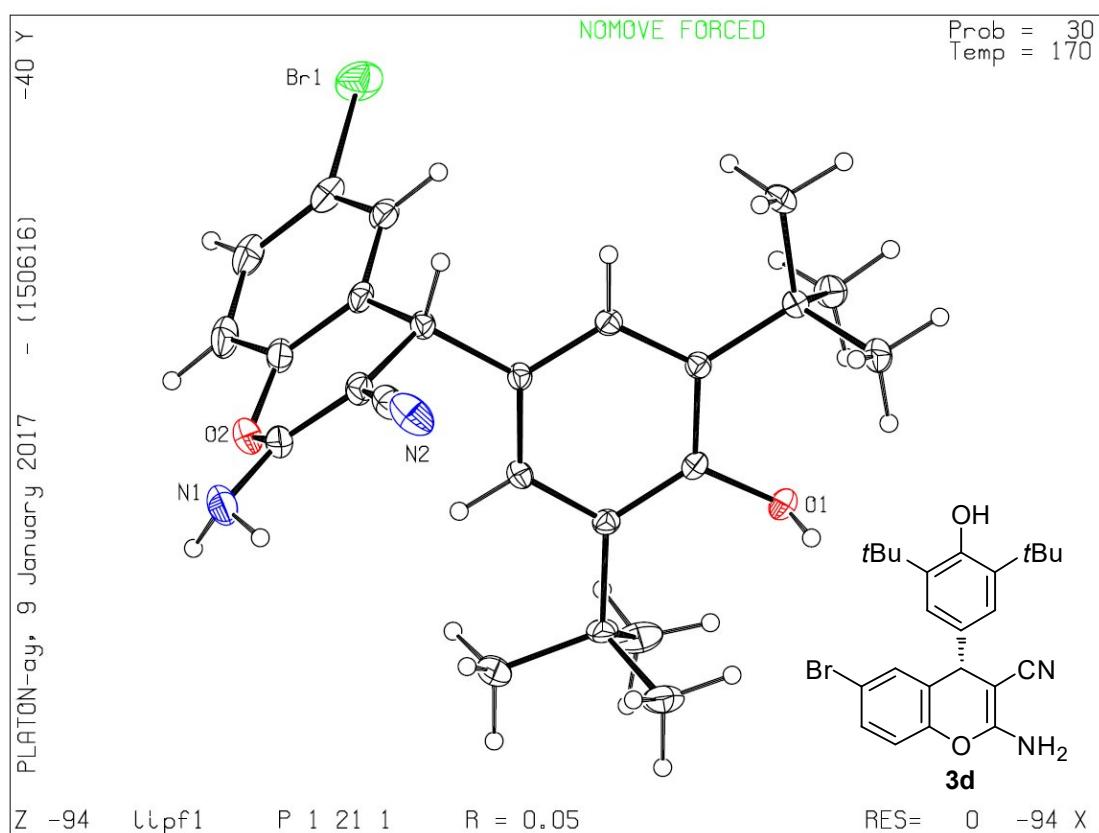


| # | Time | Area | Height | Width | Symmetry | Area% |
|---|-------|---------|--------|--------|----------|--------|
| 1 | 7.663 | 12535.8 | 597.9 | 0.2896 | 2.116 | 49.665 |
| 2 | 8.134 | 12704.9 | 1168.4 | 0.1799 | 0.973 | 50.335 |



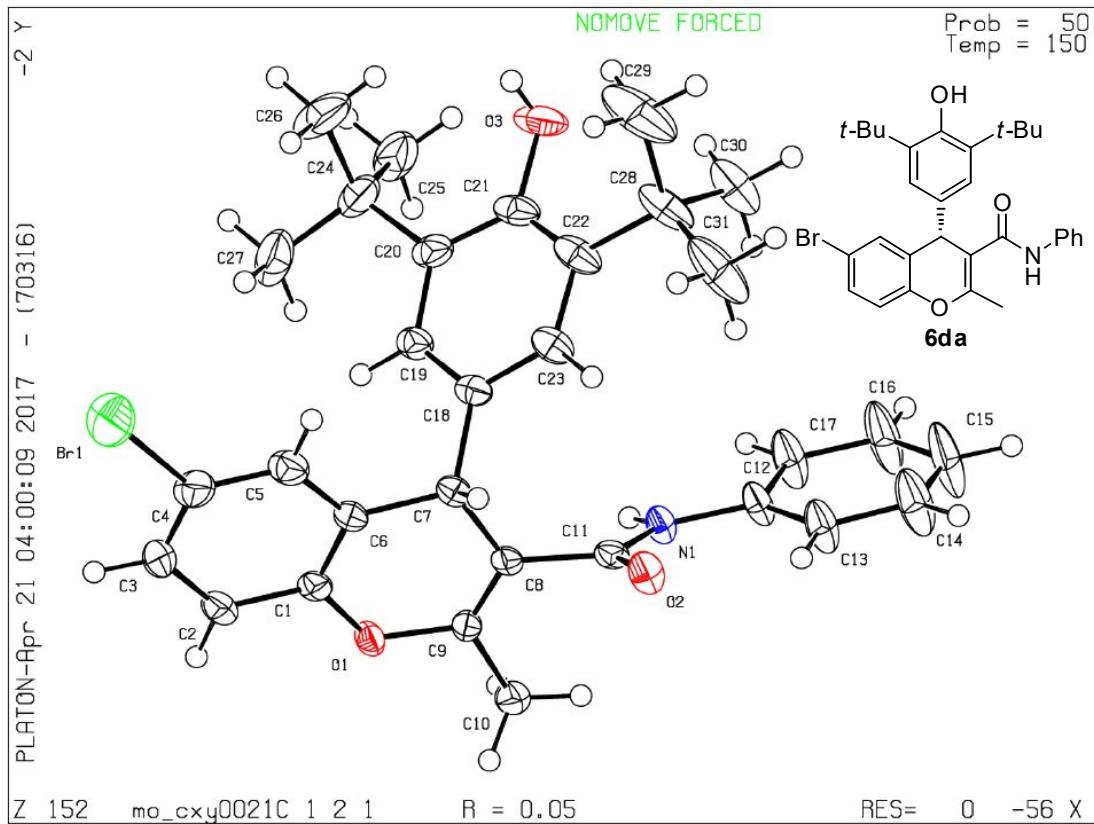
| # | Time | Area | Height | Width | Symmetry | Area% |
|---|-------|---------|--------|--------|----------|--------|
| 1 | 7.795 | 15224.8 | 2748 | 0.0789 | 1.579 | 99.664 |
| 2 | 8.318 | 51.4 | 3.6 | 0.2143 | 0.744 | 0.336 |

J: Absolute Configuration and X-Ray Analysis Data



Crystal data and structure refinement for 3d.

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|---|---|
| Identification code | 3d |
| Empirical formula | C ₂₄ H ₂₇ BrN ₂ O ₂ |
| Formula weight | 455.38 |
| Temperature/K | 170.03 |
| Crystal system | monoclinic |
| Space group | P2 ₁ |
| a/Å | 10.4410(8) |
| b/Å | 9.3621(7) |
| c/Å | 11.5467(9) |
| α/° | 90 |
| β/° | 93.816(2) |
| γ/° | 90 |
| Volume/Å ³ | 1126.18(15) |
| Z | 2 |
| ρ _{calc} g/cm ³ | 1.343 |
| μ/mm ⁻¹ | 2.651 |
| F(000) | 472.0 |
| Crystal size/mm ³ | 0.4 × 0.35 × 0.28 |
| Radiation | CuKα ($\lambda = 1.54178$) |
| 2Θ range for data collection/° | 7.674 to 136.794 |
| Index ranges | -12 ≤ h ≤ 12, -11 ≤ k ≤ 11, -13 ≤ l ≤ 13 |
| Reflections collected | 27406 |
| Independent reflections | 4111 [R _{int} = 0.0903, R _{sigma} = 0.0416] |
| Data/restraints/parameters | 4111/2/270 |
| Goodness-of-fit on F ² | 1.076 |
| Final R indexes [I>=2σ (I)] | R ₁ = 0.0533, wR ₂ = 0.1401 |
| Final R indexes [all data] | R ₁ = 0.0534, wR ₂ = 0.1402 |
| Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å ⁻³ | 0.40/-0.91 |
| Flack parameter | -0.01(3) |



Crystal data and structure refinement for 6da.

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| Identification code | 6da |
| Empirical formula | C31H34BrNO3 |
| Formula weight | 548.50 |
| Temperature/K | 150.0 |
| Crystal system | monoclinic |
| Space group | C2 |
| a/Å | 23.095(3) |
| b/Å | 9.4325(9) |
| c/Å | 14.3653(14) |
| $\alpha/^\circ$ | 90 |
| $\beta/^\circ$ | 114.589(3) |
| $\gamma/^\circ$ | 90 |
| Volume/Å ³ | 2845.6(5) |
| Z | 4 |
| $\rho_{\text{calcg}}/\text{cm}^3$ | 1.280 |
| μ/mm^{-1} | 1.475 |
| F(000) | 1144.0 |
| Crystal size/mm ³ | 0.4 × 0.24 × 0.22 |
| Radiation | MoKα ($\lambda = 0.71073$) |
| 2 Θ range for data collection/ $^\circ$ | 4.734 to 55.124 |
| Index ranges | -30 ≤ h ≤ 30, -12 ≤ k ≤ 12, -17 ≤ l ≤ 18 |
| Reflections collected | 35274 |
| Independent reflections | 6549 [Rint = 0.0580, Rsigma = 0.0455] |
| Data/restraints/parameters | 6549/2/333 |
| Goodness-of-fit on F ² | 1.057 |
| Final R indexes [I >= 2σ (I)] | R1 = 0.0478, wR2 = 0.0875 |
| Final R indexes [all data] | R1 = 0.0742, wR2 = 0.0964 |
| Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å ⁻³ | 0.74/-0.79 |
| Flack parameter | -0.012(3) |

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