

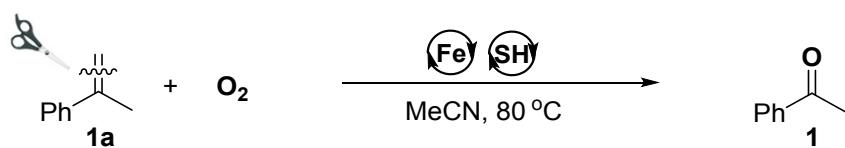
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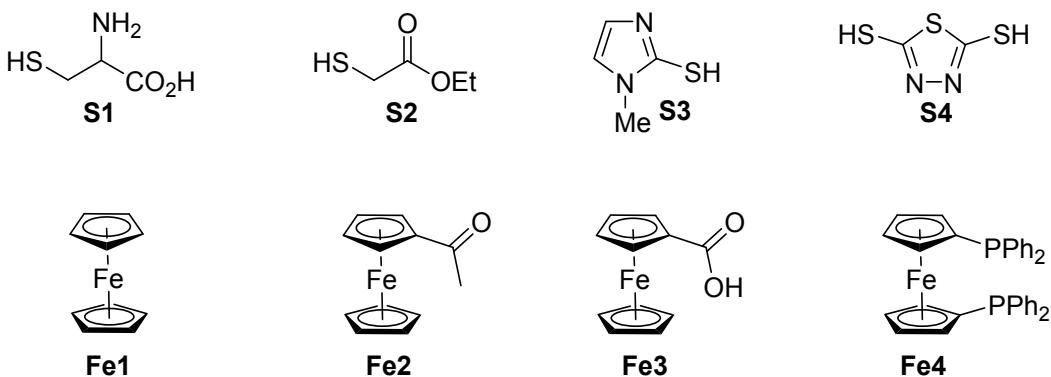
General information: ^1H NMR ad ^{13}C NMR spectra were recorded on an Agilent 400MR or 600MR DD2 spectrometer at ambient temperature. Chemical shifts (δ) are reported in ppm, ad coupling constats (J) are in Hertz (Hz). The following abbreviations were used to explain the multiplicities: s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet, br = broad. NMR yield was determined by ^1H NMR using mesitylene as an internal standard before working up the reaction.

Materials: All reagents were used as received from commercial sources, unless specified otherwise. MeCN, DCM and Toluene were distilled under reduced pressure from CaH_2 . 1,4-Dioxane and THF were distilled from sodium and benzophenone before use.

Table S1. Optimization of the Iron-Catalyzed Oxidation of 2-Phenyl-1-propene **1a.^a**



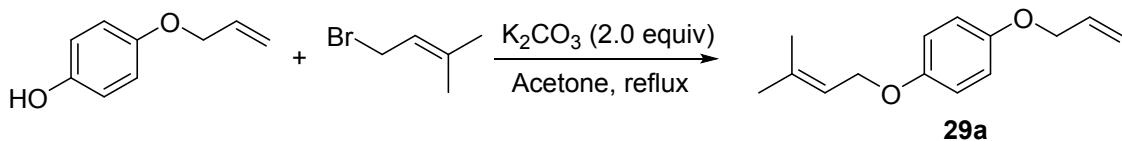
entry	[Fe]	[Thiol]	Temperature	Oxidant	Solvent (mL)	1 yield (%) ^b
1	Fe(OTf) ₂	S1	80 °C	O ₂	MeCN (0.5)	30
2	Fe(ClO ₄) ₂	S1	80 °C	O ₂	MeCN (0.5)	32
3	FeCl ₂	S2	80 °C	O ₂	MeCN (0.5)	19
4	Fe(ClO ₄) ₂	S2	80 °C	O ₂	MeCN (0.5)	44
5	Fe1	S2	80 °C	O ₂	MeCN (0.5)	44
6	Fe(OTf) ₂	S3	80 °C	O ₂	MeCN (0.5)	38
7	Fe(ClO ₄) ₂	S3	80 °C	O ₂	MeCN (0.5)	31
8	Fe4	S3	80 °C	O ₂	MeCN (0.5)	38
9	Fe4	S3	80 °C	O ₂	MeCN (0.5)	39 ^c
10	Fe(OTf) ₂	S4	80 °C	O ₂	MeCN (0.5)	40
11	Fe1	S4	80 °C	O ₂	MeCN (0.5)	45
12	Fe2	S4	80 °C	O ₂	MeCN (0.5)	67
13	Fe3	S4	80 °C	O ₂	MeCN (0.5)	64
14	Fe4	S4	80 °C	O ₂	MeCN (0.5)	85 (81)
15	Fe1	PhSH	80 °C	O ₂	MeCN (0.5)	33
16	Fe2	PhSH	80 °C	O ₂	MeCN (0.5)	67
17	Fe4	PhSH	80 °C	O ₂	MeCN (0.5)	72
18	Fe4	S4	80 °C	O ₂	MeCN (2.0)	71
19	Fe4	S4	60 °C	O ₂	MeCN (0.5)	71
20	Fe4	S4	40 °C	O ₂	MeCN (0.5)	19
21	Fe4	S4	rt	O ₂	MeCN (0.5)	16
22	Fe4	S4	80 °C	air	MeCN (0.5)	40
23	Fe4	S4	80 °C	Ar	MeCN (0.5)	nd
24	Fe4	S4	80 °C	O ₂	DCE (0.5)	70
25	Fe4	S4	80 °C	O ₂	Toluene (0.5)	65
26	Fe4	S4	80 °C	O ₂	Acetone (0.5)	53
27	Fe1	none	80 °C	O ₂	MeCN (0.5)	29
28	Fe4	none	80 °C	O ₂	MeCN (0.5)	trace
29	Fe(OTf) ₂	none	80 °C	O ₂	MeCN (0.5)	< 5
30	Fe(ClO ₄) ₂	none	80 °C	O ₂	MeCN (0.5)	15



^aReaction conditions (unless otherwise specified): **1a** (0.3 mmol, 1.0 equiv), O₂ (1 atm), [Fe] (0.03 mmol, 0.1 equiv), thiol (0.03 mmol, 0.1 equiv), MeCN (0.5 mL), 80 °C, 15 h. ^bDetermined by ¹H NMR using mesitylene as an internal standard. The isolated yield is shown in parentheses. ^c[Fe] (0.03 mmol, 0.1 equiv), thiol (0.06 mmol, 0.2 equiv), MeCN (0.5 mL), 80 °C, 15 h.

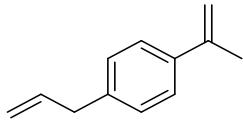
Characterization data of alkenes

1-(Allyloxy)-4-((3-methylbut-2-en-1-yl)oxy)benzene (**29a**)

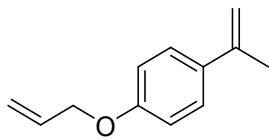


4-(Allyloxy)phenol (1.50 g, 10 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and K₂CO₃ (2.76 g, 20 mmol, 2.0 equiv) was added to a 50 ml of Schlenk tube under N₂, then acetone (10 mL) and 3,3-Dimethylallyl bromide (1.79 g, 12 mmol, 1.2 equiv) was injected by syringe. This mixture was heated to 80 °C and allowed to react for 5 h. The reaction mixture was filtered and the solvents removed in vacuo, the reaction crude was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 40:1) to provide the product (1.53 g, 70% yield) as a colorless liquid.

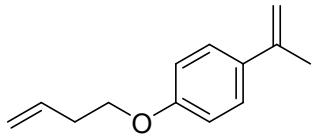
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.84 (s, 4 H), 6.09-5.99 (m, 1 H), 5.51-5.46 (m, 1 H), 5.42-5.36 (m, 1 H), 5.28-5.24 (m, 1 H), 4.49-4.44 (m, 4 H), 1.78 (s, 3 H), 1.72 (s, 3 H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 153.1, 152.7, 137.9, 133.6, 119.9, 117.4, 115.6, 115.5, 69.5, 65.3, 25.8, 18.1. HRMS: Calculated for C₁₄H₁₈O₂ (M+Na)⁺: 241.1199; Found: 241.1203.



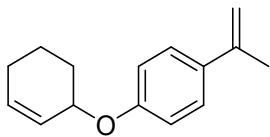
1-Allyl-4-(prop-1-en-2-yl)benzene (30a) ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.45 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2 H), 7.20 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2 H), 6.06-5.96 (m, 1 H), 5.39 (s, 1 H), 5.16-5.11 (m, 1 H), 5.11-5.08 (m, 2 H), 3.43 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 2 H), 2.19 (s, 3 H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 143.0, 139.3, 139.1, 137.3, 128.4, 125.5, 115.8, 111.8, 39.8, 21.8. HRMS: Calculated for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{14}$ (M^+): 158.1096; Found: 158.1092.



1-(Allyloxy)-4-(prop-1-en-2-yl)benzene (31a) ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.42 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 2 H), 6.89 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 2 H), 6.12-6.03 (m, 1 H), 5.46-5.41 (m, 1 H), 5.32-5.29 (m, 2 H), 5.01-5.00 (m, 1 H), 4.57-4.55 (m, 2 H), 2.15 (s, 3 H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 158.0, 142.5, 133.8, 133.2, 126.5, 117.7, 114.3, 110.7, 68.8, 21.9. HRMS: Calculated for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{14}\text{O}$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 175.1117; Found: 175.1121.

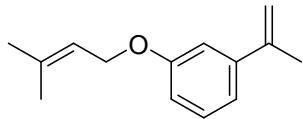


1-(But-3-en-1-yloxy)-4-(prop-1-en-2-yl)benzene (32a) ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.43 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 2 H), 6.88 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 2 H), 5.98-5.88 (m, 1 H), 5.31 (s, 1 H), 5.22-5.12 (m, 2 H), 5.01 (s, 1 H), 4.04 (t, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 2 H), 2.60-2.54 (m, 2 H), 2.15 (s, 3 H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 158.4, 142.5, 134.4, 133.7, 126.5, 117.0, 114.2, 110.6, 67.2, 33.6, 21.9. HRMS: Calculated for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{16}\text{O}$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 189.1273; Found: 189.1277.

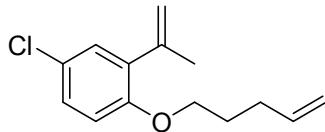


1-(Cyclohex-2-en-1-yloxy)-4-(prop-1-en-2-yl)benzene (33a) ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.41 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2 H), 6.89 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2 H), 6.00-5.96 (m, 1 H), 5.90-5.86 (m, 1 H), 5.29 (s, 1 H), 4.99

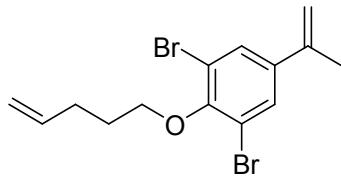
(s, 1 H), 4.83-4.79 (m, 1 H), 2.14 (s, 3 H), 2.08-1.80 (m, 5 H), 1.69-1.60 (m, 1 H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 157.3, 142.5, 133.6, 132.1, 126.6, 126.3, 115.4, 110.5, 70.9, 28.3, 25.1, 21.9, 19.0. HRMS: Calculated for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{18}\text{O} (\text{M}+\text{H})^+$: 215.1430; Found: 215.1434.



1-((3-Methylbut-2-en-1-yl)oxy)-3-(prop-1-en-2-yl)benzene (34a) ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.26 (t, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1 H), 7.09-7.06 (m, 1 H), 7.04 (m, 1 H), 6.86 (dd, $J = 8.0, J = 2.4$ Hz, 1 H), 5.56-5.51 (m, 1 H), 5.38 (s, 1 H), 5.10 (s, 1 H), 4.55 (d, $J = 6.4$ Hz, 2 H), 2.16 (s, 3 H), 1.82 (s, 3 H), 1.78 (s, 3 H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 158.8, 143.2, 142.7, 138.1, 129.1, 119.8, 118.0, 113.3, 112.5, 112.4, 64.7, 25.8, 21.8, 18.2. HRMS: Calculated for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{18}\text{O} (\text{M}^+)$: 202.1358; Found: 202.1364.

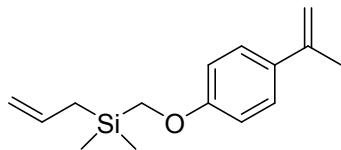


4-Chloro-1-(pent-4-en-1-yloxy)-2-(prop-1-en-2-yl)benzene (35a) ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.17 (s, 1 H), 7.17-7.15 (m, 1 H), 6.77 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1 H), 5.90-5.90 (m, 1 H), 5.15 (m, 1 H), 5.08 (m, 1 H), 5.08-5.04 (m, 1 H), 4.99 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1 H), 3.96 (t, $J = 6.4$ Hz, 2 H), 2.27-2.11 (m, 2 H), 2.11 (s, 3 H), 1.93-1.86 (m, 2 H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 154.7, 143.1, 137.6, 134.4, 129.2, 127.7, 125.1, 115.8, 115.3, 113.0, 67.8, 30.2, 28.4, 23.0. HRMS: Calculated for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{17}\text{ClO} (\text{M}^+)$: 236.0968; Found: 236.0977.

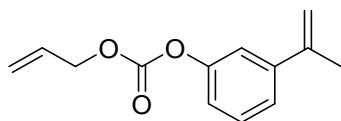


1,3-Dibromo-2-(pent-4-en-1-yloxy)-5-(prop-1-en-2-yl)benzene (36a) ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.56 (s, 2 H), 5.94-5.84 (m, 1 H), 5.30 (s, 1 H), 5.12-5.07 (m, 1 H), 5.09 (s, 1 H), 5.02-4.99 (d, $J = 10.0$ Hz, 1 H), 4.01 (t, $J = 6.4$ Hz, 2 H), 2.35-2.29 (m, 2 H), 2.07 (s, 3 H), 2.00-1.93 (m, 2 H). ^{13}C

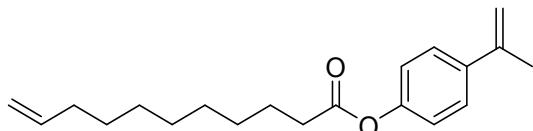
NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 152.5, 140.4, 139.7, 138.0, 129.7, 118.1, 115.0, 114.0, 72.9, 30.1, 29.3, 21.6. HRMS: Calculated for C₁₄H₁₆Br₂O (M+Na)⁺: 380.9460; Found: 380.9462.



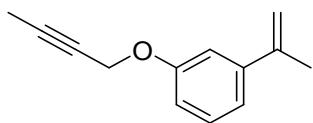
Allyldimethyl((4-(prop-1-en-2-yl)phenoxy)methyl)silane (37a) ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.40 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 6.91 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 5.87-5.77 (m, 1 H), 5.28 (s, 1 H), 4.98 (m, 1 H), 4.93-4.85 (m, 2 H), 3.61 (s, 2 H), 2.13 (s, 3 H), 1.70 (d, *J* = 8.0, 2 H), 0.15 (s, 6 H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.0, 142.7, 134.2, 133.4, 126.4, 113.7, 113.5, 110.4, 59.6, 21.9, 21.5, -5.1. HRMS: Calculated for C₁₅H₂₂OSi (M+H)⁺: 247.1512; Found: 247.1518.



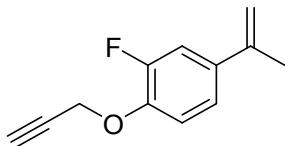
Allyl (3-(prop-1-en-2-yl)phenyl) carbonate (38a) ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.37-7.32 (m, 2 H), 7.26 (s, 1 H), 7.12-7.06 (m, 1 H), 6.06-5.96 (m, 1 H), 5.44 (dd, *J* = 17.6, *J* = 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 5.39 (s, 1 H), 5.34 (dd, *J* = 10.4, *J* = 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 5.12 (s, 1 H), 4.75 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 2 H), 2.14 (s, 3 H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 153.5, 151.0, 142.9, 142.1, 131.1, 129.2, 123.2, 119.9, 119.6, 118.2, 113.5, 69.2, 21.7. HRMS: Calculated for C₁₃H₁₄O₃ (M+H)⁺: 219.1015; Found: 219.1019.



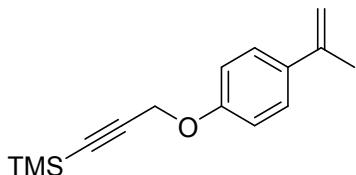
4-(Prop-1-en-2-yl)phenyl undec-10-enoate (39a) ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.47 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2 H), 7.03 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2 H), 5.87-5.76 (m, 1 H), 5.34 (s, 1 H), 5.08 (s, 1 H), 5.01 (d, *J* = 16.4 Hz, 1 H), 4.93 (d, *J* = 10.4 Hz, 1 H), 2.55 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2 H), 2.14 (s, 3 H), 2.05 (q, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2 H), 1.79-1.71 (m, 2 H), 1.42-1.25 (m, 10 H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 172.4, 150.0, 142.4, 139.2, 138.8, 126.5, 121.2, 114.1, 112.6, 34.4, 33.8, 29.3, 29.2, 29.1, 29.0, 28.9, 24.9, 21.9. HRMS: Calculated for C₂₀H₂₈O₂ (M+Na)⁺: 323.1981; Found: 323.1985.



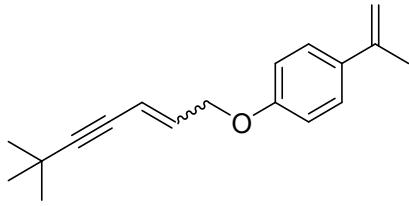
1-(But-2-yn-1-yloxy)-3-(prop-1-en-2-yl)benzene (40a) ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.25 (t, $J = 8.4$, 1 H), 7.10-7.07 (m, 2 H), 6.88 (dd, $J = 8.4, J = 6.0$ Hz, 1 H), 5.37 (s, 1 H), 5.08 (s, 1 H), 4.66 (dd, $J = 4.8, J = 2.4$ Hz, 2 H), 2.14 (s, 3 H), 1.87 (t, $J = 2.4$ Hz, 3 H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 157.7, 143.0, 142.7, 129.0, 118.6, 113.4, 112.7, 112.6, 83.7, 74.0, 56.4, 21.8, 3.6. HRMS: Calculated for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{14}\text{O} (\text{M}+\text{H})^+$: 187.1117; Found: 187.1121.



2-Fluoro-4-(prop-1-en-2-yl)-1-(prop-2-yn-1-yloxy)benzene (41a) ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.26-7.17 (m, 2 H), 7.05 (t, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2 H), 5.31 (s, 1 H), 5.05 (s, 1 H), 4.77 (d, $J = 2.4$ Hz, 2 H), 2.54 (t, $J = 2.4$ Hz, 1 H), 2.11 (s, 3 H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 152.4 ($J = 245.0$ Hz), 144.6 ($J = 11.0$ Hz), 141.4 ($J = 2.0$ Hz), 135.8 ($J = 7.0$ Hz), 121.0 ($J = 3.0$ Hz), 115.4 ($J = 2.0$ Hz), 113.6 ($J = 18.0$ Hz), 112.2, 78.0, 76.2, 57.1, 21.6. HRMS: Calculated for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{11}\text{FO} (\text{M}^+)$: 190.0794; Found: 190.0788.

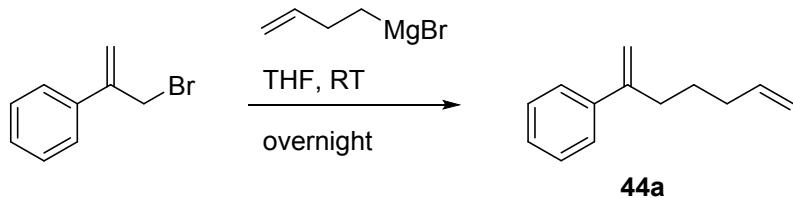


Trimethyl(3-(4-(prop-1-en-2-yl)phenoxy)prop-1-yn-1-yl)silane (42a) ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.43 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 2 H), 6.94 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 2 H), 5.31 (s, 1 H), 5.01 (s, 1 H), 4.68 (s, 2 H), 2.14 (s, 3 H), 0.19 (s, 9 H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 157.2, 142.4, 134.3, 126.5, 114.5, 110.9, 100.0, 92.7, 56.7, 21.9, -0.2. HRMS: Calculated for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{20}\text{OSi} (\text{M}+\text{H})^+$: 245.1356; Found: 245.1359.



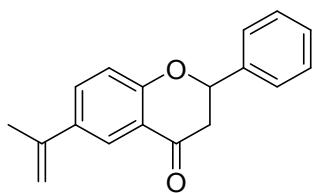
1-((6,6-Dimethylhept-2-en-4-yn-1-yl)oxy)-4-(prop-1-en-2-yl)benzene (43a) ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.39 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 2 H), 6.85 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 2 H), 6.23-6.16 (m, 1 H), 5.87-5.82 (m, 1 H), 5.29 (s, 1 H), 5.00 (m, 1 H), 4.57 (dd, $J = 5.6, 1.6$ Hz, 2 H), 2.13 (s, 3 H), 1.25 (s, 9 H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 157.9, 142.5, 135.8, 134.0, 126.6, 114.3, 113.3, 110.8, 100.1, 67.8, 30.9, 27.9, 21.9. HRMS: Calculated for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{22}\text{O} (\text{M}+\text{H})^+$: 255.1743; Found: 255.1748.

Hepta-1,6-dien-2-ylbenzene (44a)

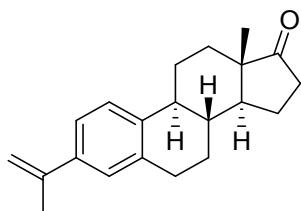


To a solution of the α -bromomethyl styrenes (985 mg, 5 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in THF (20 mL) was added 0.5 M solution of 3-Butenylmagnesium bromide in THF (30 mL, 15 mmol, 3 equiv) at room temperature. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature overnight, before it was quenched by adding sat. aq. NH_4Cl solution. Then the aqueous solution was extracted with diethyl ether three times. The combined organic phases were washed with sat. aq. NaHCO_3 solution and brine, dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and removed in vacuo. The reaction crude was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 40:1) to provide the product (440 mg, 51% yield) as a colorless liquid.

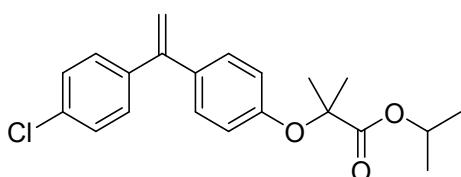
^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.47-7.45 (m, 2 H), 7.40-7.36 (m, 2 H), 7.33-7.29 (m, 1 H), 5.91-5.81 (m, 1 H), 5.33 (m, 1 H), 5.12 (m, 1 H), 5.08-5.04 (m, 1 H), 5.02-5.00 (m, 1 H), 2.57 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2 H), 2.14 (dd, $J = 14.8, 7.2$ Hz, 2 H), 1.65-1.57 (m, 2 H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 148.3, 141.3, 138.6, 128.2, 127.3, 126.1, 114.7, 112.3, 34.7, 33.3, 27.4. HRMS: Calculated for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{16} (\text{M})^+$: 172.1252; Found: 172.1256.



2-Phenyl-6-(prop-1-en-2-yl)chroma-4-one (45a) This compound was synthesized via cross-coupling according to the literature.¹ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.00 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.68 (dd, *J* = 8.4, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.51-7.38 (m, 5 H), 7.03 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1 H), 5.49 (dd, *J* = 13.2, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1 H), 5.38 (s, 1 H), 5.09 (s, 1 H), 3.10 (dd, *J* = 16.8, *J* = 13.2 Hz, 1 H), 2.91 (dd, *J* = 16.8, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1 H), 2.16 (s, 3 H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.1, 160.9, 141.6, 138.6, 134.6, 133.4, 128.89, 128.85, 126.1, 123.5, 120.2, 118.0, 112.2, 79.6, 44.6, 21.8. HRMS: Calculated for C₁₈H₁₆O₂ (M+H)⁺: 265.1223; Found: 265.1227.



(8*R*,9*S*,13*S*,14*S*)-13-Methyl-3-(prop-1-en-2-yl)-6,7,8,9,11,12,13,14,15,16-decahydro-17*H*-cyclopenta[*a*]phenathren-17-one (46a) This compound was synthesized via cross-coupling according to the literature.¹ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.25 (m, 2 H), 7.19 (s, 1 H), 5.32 (s, 1 H), 5.03 (s, 1 H), 2.92 (dd, *J* = 9.2, *J* = 4.4 Hz, 2 H), 2.53-2.40 (m, 2 H), 2.33-2.27 (m, 1 H), 2.18-1.94 (m, 7 H), 1.68-1.40 (m, 6 H), 1.90 (s, 3 H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 220.8, 143.0, 139.0, 138.8, 136.2, 126.1, 125.2, 123.0, 111.8, 50.5, 48.0, 44.4, 38.2, 35.8, 31.6, 29.5, 26.6, 25.7, 21.8, 21.6, 13.8. HRMS: Calculated for C₂₁H₂₆O (M+Na)⁺: 317.1875; Found: 317.1879.



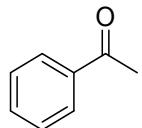
Isopropyl 2-(4-(1-(4-chlorophenyl)vinyloxy)-2-methylpropoate (47a) This compound was synthesized via methylenation of the Fenofibrate. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.29-7.23 (m, 4 H), 7.17 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 6.78 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 5.38 (s, 1 H), 5.32 (s, 1 H), 5.13-5.03 (m, 1 H),

1.60 (s, 6 H), 1.21 (d, $J = 6.0$ Hz, 6 H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 173.6, 155.4, 148.3, 140.1, 134.3, 133.4, 129.6, 128.8, 128.2, 118.2, 113.6, 79.0, 69.0, 25.3, 21.5. HRMS: Calculated for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{23}\text{ClO}_3(\text{M}+\text{H})^+$: 359.1408; Found: 359.1410.

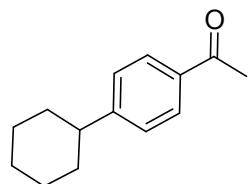
General procedure for the oxidative cleavage of alkenes

To a 25 ml of Schlenk tube was added **1,1'-bis(diphenylphosphino)ferrocene (dppf)** (16.6 mg, 0.03 mmol, 0.1 equiv) and **bismuththiol** (4.5 mg, 0.03 mmol, 0.1 equiv) at room temperature. The reaction tube was degassed with dioxygen gas (1 atm, 3 times), then alkenes (0.30 mmol, 1 equiv) and freshly distilled MeCN (0.5 mL) were added. The reaction mixture was heated to 80 °C and allowed to react for 15 h. The mixture was concentrated, and the residue was purified with silica gel chromatography to give product.

Characterization data of products

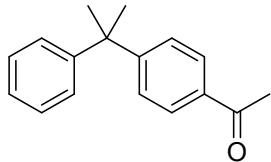


Acetophenone (1) The product (29 mg, 81% yield) as a colorless oil was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 19:1). This compound is known.² ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.97-7.94 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2 H), 7.55(t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1 H), 7.45 (t, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2 H), 2.60 (s, 3 H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 198.1, 137.1, 133.0, 128.5, 128.2, 26.5. HRMS Calculated for $\text{C}_8\text{H}_8\text{O}(\text{M}^+)$: 120.0575; Found: 120.0574

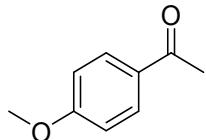


1-(4-Cyclohexylphenyl)etha-1-one (2) The product (46 mg, 76% yield) as a white solid was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 19:1). This compound is known.⁴ ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.89-7.87 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2 H), 7.29 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2 H), 2.57 (s, 3 H),

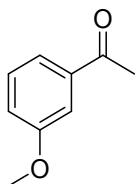
1.90-1.74 (m, 5 H), 1.48-1.23 (m, 6 H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 197.8, 153.7, 135.0, 128.5, 127.0, 44.7, 34.1, 26.7, 26.5, 26.0. HRMS: Calculated for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}$ ($\text{M}+\text{Na}$) $^+$: 225.1249; Found: 225.1248.



1-(4-(2-Phenylpropan-2-yl)phenyl)ethanone (3) The product (57 mg, 79% yield) as a colorless liquid, was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 19:1). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.87 (d, J = 6.8, 2 H), 7.33 (d, J = 6.8, 2 H), 7.30-7.25 (m, 2 H), 7.22-7.17 (m, 3 H), 2.57 (s, 3 H), 1.71 (s, 6 H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 197.8, 156.3, 149.6, 134.6, 128.19, 128.15, 127.0, 126.6, 125.9, 43.2, 30.4, 26.5. HRMS: Calculated for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 239.1430; Found: 239.1434.

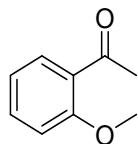


1-(4-Methoxyphenyl)ethanone (4) The product (36 mg, 80% yield) as a white solid, was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 15:1). This compound is known.⁵ ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.92 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2 H), 6.92 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2 H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 2.54 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 196.7, 163.4, 130.5, 130.3, 113.6, 55.4, 26.3. HRMS: Calculated for $\text{C}_9\text{H}_{10}\text{O}_2$ ($\text{M}+\text{Na}$) $^+$: 173.0573; Found: 173.0571.

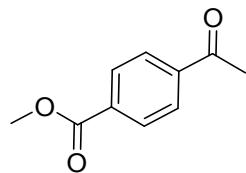


1-(3-Methoxyphenyl)ethanone (5) The product (34 mg, 75% yield) as a colorless liquid, was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 15:1). This compound is known.⁶ ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.52 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1 H), 7.47 (m, 1 H), 7.36 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.12-7.09 (m, 1 H), 3.85 (s, 3 H), 2.59 (s, 3 H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 197.9, 159.8, 138.5,

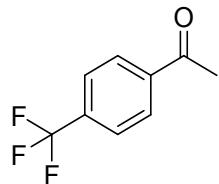
129.5, 121.1, 119.5, 112.3, 55.4, 26.7. HRMS: Calculated for C₉H₁₀O₂ (M+Na)⁺: 173.0573; Found: 173.0576.



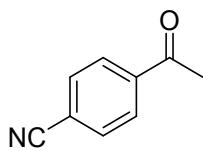
1-(2-Methoxyphenyl)etha-1-one (6) The product (23 mg, 50% yield) as a colorless liquid, was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 15:1). This compound is known.⁵ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.73 (dd, *J* = 8.0, *J* = 1.6 Hz, 1 H), 7.48-7.44 (m, 1 H), 7.01-6.96 (m, 2 H), 3.91 (s, 3 H), 2.61 (s, 3 H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.8, 158.9, 133.6, 130.3, 128.3, 120.5, 111.5, 55.4, 31.8. HRMS: Calculated for C₉H₁₀O₂ (M+Na)⁺: 173.0573; Found: 173.0575.



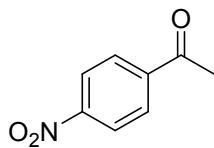
Methyl 4-acetylbenzoate (7) The product (43 mg, 81% yield) as a white solid, was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 15:1). This compound is known.⁷ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.10 (d, *J* = 8.4, 2 H), 7.98 (d, *J* = 8.4, 2 H), 3.93 (s, 3H), 2.62 (s, 3 H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 197.4, 166.1, 140.2, 133.8, 129.7, 128.1, 52.4, 26.8. HRMS: Calculated for C₁₀H₁₀O₃ (M+H)⁺: 179.0702; Found: 179.0706.



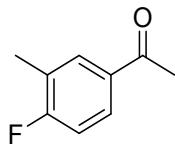
1-(4-(Trifluoromethyl)phenyl)etha-1-one (8) The product (39 mg, 70% yield) as a white solid, was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 19:1). This compound is known.⁶ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.05 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2 H), 7.72 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2 H), 2.64 (s, 3 H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.9, 139.7, 134.5 (q, *J* = 32.0 Hz), 128.6, 125.7 (q, *J* = 3.6 Hz), 123.6 (q, *J* = 271.0 Hz), 26.7. HRMS: Calculated for C₉H₇F₃O (M⁺): 188.0449; Found: 188.0450



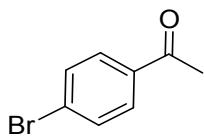
4-Acetylbenzonitrile (9) The product (37 mg, 85% yield) as a white solid, was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 12:1). This compound is known.⁸ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.04 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 7.77 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 2.64 (s, 3 H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.4, 139.9, 132.5, 128.7, 117.9, 116.4, 26.7.



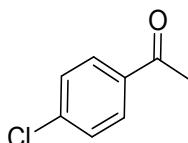
1-(4-Nitrophenyl)etha-1-one (10) The product (35 mg, 71% yield) as a white solid, was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10:1). This compound is known.⁹ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.32 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 8.11 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 2.68 (s, 3 H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.2, 150.4, 141.4, 129.3, 123.8, 27.0. HRMS: Calculated for C₈H₇NO₃ (M-H)⁻: 164.0353 ; Found: 164.0359.



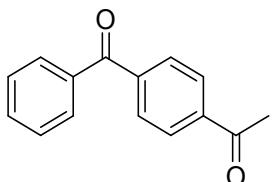
1-(4-Fluoro-3-methylphenyl)etha-1-one (11) The product (37 mg, 82% yield) as a colorless liquid, was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 19:1). This compound is known.¹⁰ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.83-7.80 (m, 1 H), 7.79-7.75 (m, 1 H), 7.05 (t, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1 H), 2.57 (s, 3 H), 2.31 (s, 3 H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.8, 164.3 (d, *J* = 252.0 Hz), 133.2 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz), 132.1 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz), 128.3 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz), 125.3 (d, *J* = 18.0 Hz), 115.2 (d, *J* = 23.0 Hz), 26.5, 14.5 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz). HRMS: Calculated for C₉H₉FO (M⁺): 152.0637; Found: 152.0535.



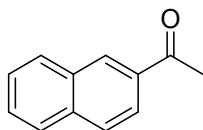
1-(4-Bromophenyl)etha-1-one (12) The product (49 mg, 82% yield) as a white solid, was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 19:1). This compound is known.² ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.80 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2 H), 7.58 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2 H), 2.57 (s, 3 H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.9, 135.8, 131.8, 129.8, 128.2, 26.5. HRMS: Calculated for C₈H₇BrO (M⁺): 197.9680; Found: 197.9684.



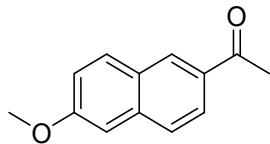
1-(4-Chlorophenyl)etha-1-one (13) The product (42 mg, 91% yield) as a light yellow liquid, was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 19:1). This compound is known.² ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.88 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 7.42 (*J* = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 2.57 (s, 3 H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.7, 139.5, 135.4, 129.7, 128.8, 26.5. HRMS: Calculated for C₈H₇ClO (M⁺): 154.0185; Found: 154.0182.



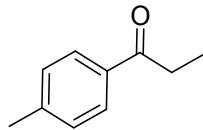
1-(4-Benzoylphenyl)etha-1-one (14) The product (53 mg, 78% yield) as a white solid, was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 12:1). This compound is known.¹¹ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.03 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2 H), 7.84 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2 H), 7.77 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2 H), 7.59 (t, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.47 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2 H), 2.64 (s, 3 H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 197.5, 195.9, 141.2, 139.4, 136.8, 132.9, 130.06, 130.01, 128.4, 128.1, 26.9. HRMS: Calculated for C₁₅H₁₂O₂ (M+H)⁺: 225.0910; Found: 225.0913.



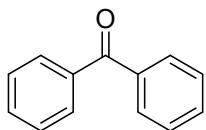
1-(Naphthalen-2-yl)etha-1-one (15) The product (39 mg, 76% yield) as a white solid, was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 19:1). This compound is known.¹² ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.45 (s, 1 H), 8.03 (dd, *J* = 8.8, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.95 (d *J* = 8.0, 1 H), 7.89-7.85 (m, 2 H), 7.61-7.53 (m, 2 H), 2.72 (s, 3 H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 198.0, 135.5, 134.4, 132.4, 130.1, 129.5, 128.4, 128.3, 127.7, 126.7, 123.8, 26.6. HRMS: Calculated for C₁₂H₁₀O (M+H)⁺: 171.0804; Found: 171.0806.



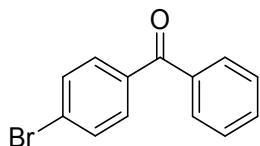
1-(6-Methoxynaphthalen-2-yl)etha-1-one (16) The product (45 mg, 75% yield) as a white solid, was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 12:1). This compound is known.¹³ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.38 (s, 1 H), 8.00 (dd, *J* = 8.8, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.84 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1 H), 7.75 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1 H), 7.20 (dd, *J* = 8.8, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.14 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 3.94 (s, 3 H), 2.69 (s, 3 H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 197.7, 159.7, 137.2, 132.6, 131.0, 130.0, 127.8, 127.0, 124.6, 119.6, 105.7, 55.4, 26.5. HRMS: Calculated for C₁₃H₁₂O₂(M+H)⁺: 201.0910; Found: 201.0913.



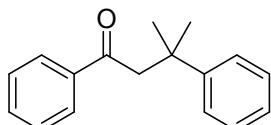
1-(p-Tolyl)propa-1-one (17) The product (27 mg, 62% yield) as a light yellow liquid, was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 19:1). This compound is known.¹⁴ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.86 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2 H), 7.24 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2 H), 2.97 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2 H), 2.40 (s, 3 H), 1.21 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3 H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 200.5, 143.5, 134.4, 129.2, 128.0, 31.6, 21.6, 8.3. HRMS: Calculated for C₁₀H₁₂O (M+Na)⁺: 171.0780; Found: 171.0785.



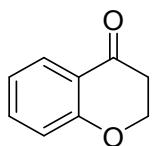
Benzophenone (18) The product (39 mg, 72% yield) as a white solid, was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 19:1). This compound is known.² ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.81-7.79 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 4 H), 7.57 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2 H), 7.47 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 4 H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.7, 137.5, 132.3, 130.0, 128.2. HRMS: Calculated for C₁₃H₁₀O (M+Na)⁺: 205.0623; Found: 205.0627.



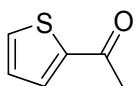
(4-Bromophenyl)(phenyl)methaone (19) The product (56 mg, 72% yield) as a white solid, was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 19:1). This compound is known.² ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.77 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2 H), 7.68 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2 H), 7.63-7.58 (m, 3 H), 7.49 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2 H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 195.6, 137.1, 136.3, 132.6, 131.6, 131.5, 129.9, 128.4, 127.5. HRMS: Calculated for C₁₃H₉BrO (M+H)⁺: 260.9909; Found: 260.9913.



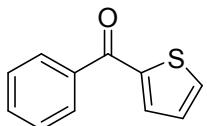
3-Methyl-1,3-diphenylbuta-1-one (20) The product (44 mg, 62% yield) as a colorless liquid, was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 19:1). This compound is known.¹⁵ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.83-7.80 (m, 2 H), 7.51-7.46 (m, 1 H), 7.39-7.35 (m, 4 H), 7.30-7.25 (m, 2 H), 7.17-7.13 (m, 1 H), 3.30 (s, 2 H), 1.50 (s, 6 H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.0, 148.8, 138.1, 132.6, 128.3, 128.1, 128.0, 125.7, 125.4, 50.8, 37.5, 29.1. HRMS: Calculated for C₁₇H₁₈O (M+Na)⁺: 261.1249 ; Found: 261.1254.



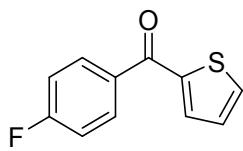
Chroma-4-one (21) The product (29 mg, 66% yield) as a white solid, was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 15:1). This compound is known.¹⁶ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.89 (dd, *J* = 8.0 Hz, *J* = 1.6 Hz, 1 H), 7.48-7.44 (m, 1 H), 7.03-6.99 (m, 1 H), 6.96 (d, *J* = 8.8, 1 H), 4.53 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2 H), 2.80 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2 H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.7, 161.8, 135.9, 127.1, 121.3, 117.8, 67.0, 37.7. HRMS: Calculated for C₉H₈O₂ (M+MeOH+H)⁺: 181.0859; Found: 181.0864.



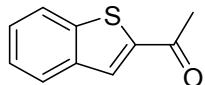
1-(Thiophen-2-yl)etha-1-one (22) The product (25 mg, 66% yield) as a yellow liquid, was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 19:1). This compound is known.¹⁷ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.69 (d, *J* = 4.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.63 (d, *J* = 5.2 Hz, 1 H), 7.12 (t, *J* = 4.4 Hz, 1 H), 2.56 (s, 3 H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 190.7, 144.5, 133.7, 132.4, 128.1, 26.9. HRMS: Calculated for C₆H₆OS (M⁺): 126.0139; Found: 126.0136.



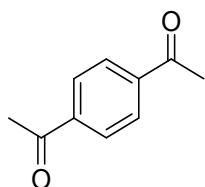
Phenyl(thiophen-2-yl)methaone (23) The product (33 mg, 59% yield) as a yellow solid, was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 15:1). This compound is known.³ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.88-7.85 (m, 2 H), 7.71 (dd, *J* = 5.2 Hz, *J* = 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 7.64 (dd, *J* = 4.0 Hz, *J* = 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 7.61-7.57 (m, 1 H), 7.51-7.48 (m, 2 H), 7.16 (dd, *J* = 4.8 Hz, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1 H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 188.1, 143.6, 138.1, 134.8, 134.1, 132.2, 129.1, 128.4, 127.9. HRMS: Calculated for C₁₁H₈OS (M+Na)⁺: 211.0188; Found: 211.0191.



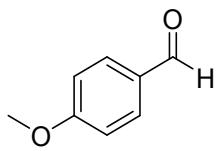
(4-Fluorophenyl)(thiophen-2-yl)methaone (24) The product (33 mg, 53% yield) as a yellow solid, was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 15:1). This compound is known.¹⁸ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.92-7.89 (m, 2 H), 7.72 (dd, *J* = 5.2 Hz, *J* = 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 7.63 (dd, *J* = 4.0 Hz, *J* = 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 7.20-7.15 (m, 3 H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 186.6, 165.5 (d, *J* = 252.0 Hz), 143.3, 134.5, 134.3 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz), 134.2, 131.7 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz), 127.9, 115.6 (d, *J* = 21 Hz). HRMS: Calculated for C₁₁H₇FOS (M+H)⁺: 207.0274; Found: 207.0278.



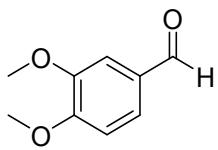
1-(Benzo[b]thiophen-2-yl)etha-1-one (25) The product (43 mg, 82% yield) as a yellow solid, was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 15:1). This compound is known.¹⁹ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.93 (s, 1 H), 7.87 (t, *J* = 9.6 Hz, 2 H), 7.48-7.43(m, 1 H), 7.42-7.38 (m, 1 H), 2.66 (s, 3 H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.1, 143.9, 142.6, 139.1, 129.6, 127.4, 125.9, 124.9, 122.9, 26.7. HRMS: Calculated for C₁₀H₈OS (M+H)⁺: 177.0368; Found: 177.0372.



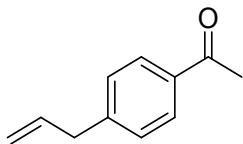
1,1'-(1,4-Phenylene)bis(etha-1-one) (26) The product (29 mg, 60% yield) as a white solid, was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10:1). This compound is known.²⁰ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.01 (s, 4 H), 2.63 (s, 6 H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 197.4, 140.1, 128.4, 26.8. HRMS: Calculated for C₁₀H₁₀O₂ (M⁺): 162.0681; Found: 162.0678.



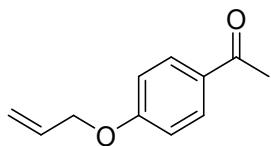
4-Methoxybenzaldehyde (27) The product (25 mg, 60% yield) as a colorless liquid, was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 19:1). This compound is known.³ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.89 (s, 1 H), 7.84 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 7.01 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 3.89 (s, 3 H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 190.8, 164.6, 132.0, 130.0, 114.3, 55.6.



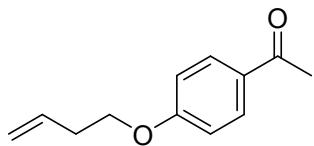
3,4-Dimethoxybenzaldehyde (28) The product (25 mg, 50% yield) as a yellow liquid, was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10:1). This compound is known.² ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.82 (s, 1 H), 7.43 (dd, *J* = 8.0, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.39 (s, 1 H), 6.95 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 3.94 (s, 3 H), 3.91 (s, 3 H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 190.8, 154.4, 149.6, 130.1, 126.8, 110.3, 108.9, 56.1, 56.0. HRMS: Calculated for C₉H₁₀O₃ (M+H)⁺: 189.0522; Found: 189.0526.



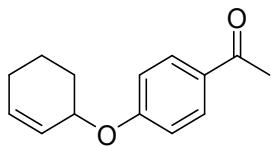
1-(4-allylphenyl)etha-1-one (30) The product (30 mg, 63% yield) as a colorless liquid, was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 19:1). This compound is known.²¹ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.88 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2 H), 7.27 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2 H), 5.99-5.89 (m, 1 H), 5.11 (s, 1 H), 5.07 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 3.43 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2 H), 2.57 (s, 3 H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 197.7, 145.7, 136.2, 135.3, 128.7, 128.5, 116.6, 40.1, 26.5. HRMS: Calculated for C₁₁H₁₂O (M+Na)⁺: 183.0780; Found: 183.0785.



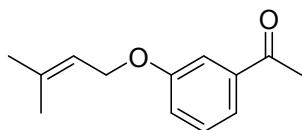
1-(4-(Allyloxy)phenyl)etha-1-one (31) The product (30 mg, 78% yield) as a colorless liquid, was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 15:1). This compound is known.²² ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.91 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 6.93 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 6.08-5.99 (m, 1 H), 5.41 (d, *J* = 17.2 Hz, 1 H), 5.30 (d, *J* = 10.4 Hz, 1 H), 4.58 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 2 H), 2.53 (s, 3 H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.7, 162.4, 132.4, 130.5, 130.3, 118.1, 114.3, 68.8, 26.3. HRMS: Calculated for C₁₁H₁₂O₂ (M+Na)⁺: 199.0729; Found: 199.0735.



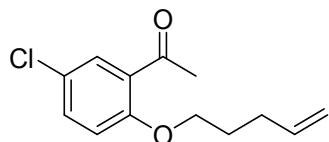
1-(4-(But-3-en-1-yloxy)phenyl)etha-1-one (32) The product (41 mg, 71% yield) as a colorless liquid, was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 15:1). This compound is known.²³ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.91 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 6.91 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 5.94-5.84 (m, 1 H), 5.19-5.14 (m, 1 H), 5.13-5.09 (m, 1 H), 4.06 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2 H), 2.58-2.52 (m, 2 H), 2.53 (s, 3 H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.6, 162.8, 133.9, 130.5, 130.2, 117.3, 114.1, 67.3, 33.4, 26.2. HRMS: Calculated for C₁₂H₁₄O₂ (M+Na)⁺: 213.0886; Found: 213.0889.



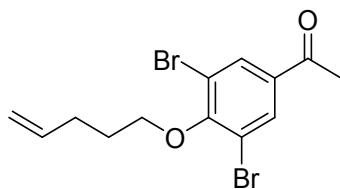
1-(4-(Cyclohex-2-en-1-yloxy)phenyl)etha-1-one (33) The product (39 mg, 60% yield) as a colorless liquid, was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 12:1). This compound is known.²⁴ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.91 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 6.94 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 6.03-5.98 (m, 1 H), 5.85 (m, 1 H), 4.91-4.86 (m, 1 H), 2.54 (s, 3 H), 2.54-1.79 (m, 5 H), 1.70-1.61 (m, 1 H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.6, 161.9, 132.8, 130.6, 130.0, 125.4, 115.1, 70.9, 28.2, 26.3, 25.0, 18.8. HRMS: Calculated for C₁₄H₁₆O₂ (M+Na)⁺: 239.1042; Found: 239.1044.



1-((3-Methylbut-2-en-1-yl)oxy)phenyletha-1-one (34) The product (38 mg, 62% yield) as a colorless liquid, was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 15:1). This compound is known.²⁵ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.52 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.50 (m, 1 H), 7.35 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.11 (dd, *J* = 8.4 Hz, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 5.51-5.47 (m, 1 H), 4.56 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2 H), 2.58 (s, 3 H), 1.80 (s, 3 H), 1.76 (s, 3 H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 197.9, 159.0, 138.6, 138.4, 129.5, 120.9, 120.2, 119.2, 113.2, 64.9, 26.7, 25.8, 18.2. HRMS: Calculated for C₁₃H₁₆O₂ (M+Na)⁺: 227.1042; Found: 227.1043.

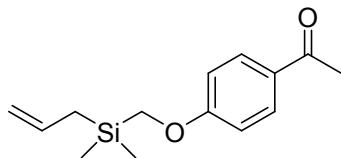


1-(5-Chloro-2-(pent-4-en-1-yloxy)phenyl)etha-1-one (35) The product (36 mg, 50% yield) as a colorless liquid, was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 15:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.69 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1 H), 7.37 (dd, *J* = 8.8, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1 H), 6.88 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1 H), 5.89-5.78 (m, 1 H), 5.09-5.01 (m, 2 H), 4.07-4.03 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2 H), 2.62 (s, 3 H), 2.29-2.23 (m, 2 H), 1.99-1.92 (m, 2 H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 198.2, 156.9, 137.1, 133.1, 130.0, 129.3, 125.8, 115.7, 113.8, 68.2, 31.9, 30.2, 28.2. HRMS: Calculated for C₁₃H₁₅ClO₂ (M+Na)⁺: 261.0652; Found: 261.0656.

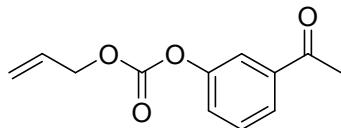


1-(3,5-Dibromo-4-(pent-4-en-1-yloxy)phenyl)etha-1-one (36) The product (74 mg, 68% yield) as a colorless liquid, was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 12:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.07 (s, 2 H), 5.93-5.83 (m, 1 H), 5.12-5.06 (m, 1 H), 5.03-4.99 (m, 1 H), 4.07 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2 H), 2.55 (s, 3 H), 2.35-2.29 (m, 2 H), 2.02-1.95 (m, 2 H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz,

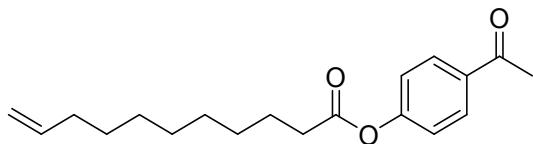
CDCl_3) δ 194.5, 157.3, 137.7, 134.8, 132.9, 118.7, 115.2, 73.2, 30.0, 29.2, 26.4. HRMS: Calculated for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{14}\text{Br}_2\text{O}_2(\text{M}+\text{Na})^+$: 382.9252; Found: 382.9254.



1-((Allyldimethylsilyl)methoxy)phenyl)etha-1-one (37) The product (50 mg, 67% yield) as a colorless liquid, was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 19:1). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.92 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 6.98 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 5.86-5.75 (m, 1 H), 4.92-4.85 (m, 2 H), 3.67 (s, 2 H), 2.54 (s, 3 H), 1.69 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2 H), 0.16 (s, 6 H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 196.7, 165.3, 133.8, 130.4, 130.0, 113.8, 113.7, 59.9, 26.2, 21.3, -5.1. HRMS: Calculated for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}_2\text{Si}(\text{M}+\text{Na})^+$: 271.1124; Found: 271.1129.

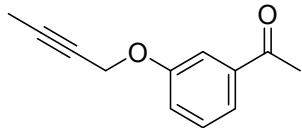


3-Acetylphenyl allyl carbonate (38) The product (47 mg, 71% yield) as a colorless liquid, was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 15:1). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.84-7.82 (dt, J = 7.6 Hz, J = 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 7.76 (t, J = 1.6 Hz, 1 H), 7.48 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.40-7.37 (m, 1 H), 6.04-5.95 (m, 1 H), 5.44 (dq, J = 13.6 Hz, J = 1.6 Hz, 1 H), 5.33 (dq, J = 10.4 Hz, J = 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 4.74 (dt, J = 5.6 Hz, J = 1.6 Hz, 2 H), 2.59 (s, 3 H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 196.7, 153.2, 151.3, 138.6, 130.9, 129.7, 125.9, 125.7, 120.9, 119.7, 69.3, 26.6. HRMS: Calculated for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_4(\text{M}+\text{Na})^+$: 243.0627; Found: 243.0631.

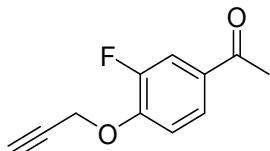


4-Acetylphenyl undec-10-enoate (39) The product (64 mg, 70% yield) as a white solid, was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 12:1). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.99 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2 H), 7.18 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 5.86-5.76 (m, 1 H), 5.01-4.96 (m, 1 H), 4.94-4.91 (m, 1 H), 2.58 (s, 3 H), 2.56 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2 H), 2.07-2.01 (m, 2 H), 1.79-1.71 (m, 2 H),

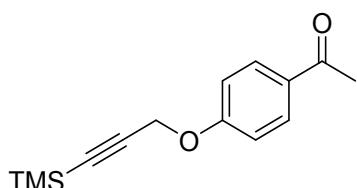
1.45-1.25 (m, 10 H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 196.7, 171.6, 154.4, 139.1, 134.6, 129.9, 121.7, 114.1, 34.3, 33.7, 29.2, 29.1, 29.0, 28.8, 26.5, 24.8. HRMS: Calculated for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{26}\text{O}_3$ ($\text{M}+\text{Na}$) $^+$: 325.1774; Found: 325.1780.



1-(3-(But-2-yn-1-yloxy)phenyl)etha-1-one (40) The product (42 mg, 75% yield) as a colorless liquid, was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 15:1). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.56-7.53 (m, 2 H), 7.37 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.16 (dd, J = 8.4 Hz, 2.8 Hz, 1 H), 4.69 (q, J = 2.4 Hz, 2 H), 2.58 (s, 3 H), 1.85 (t, J = 2.4 Hz, 3 H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 197.7, 157.9, 138.4, 129.5, 121.4, 120.1, 113.7, 84.1, 73.5, 56.5, 26.7, 3.6. HRMS: Calculated for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_2$ ($\text{M}+\text{Na}$) $^+$: 211.0729; Found: 211.0732.

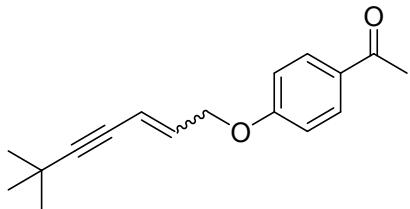


1-(3-Fluoro-4-(prop-2-yn-1-yloxy)phenyl)etha-1-one (41) The product (41 mg, 70% yield) as a white solid, was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 15:1). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.74-7.68 (m, 2 H), 7.14 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 4.83 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 2 H), 2.58 (t, J = 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 2.54 (s, 3 H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 195.7, 152.2 (d, J = 247.0 Hz), 149.6 (d, J = 11.0 Hz), 131.5 (d, J = 5.0 Hz), 125.3 (d, J = 4.0 Hz), 116.2 (d, J = 19.0 Hz), 114.4, 77.2, 76.8, 56.9, 26.3. HRMS: Calculated for $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{9}\text{FO}_2$ ($\text{M}+\text{Na}$) $^+$: 215.0478; Found: 215.0480.

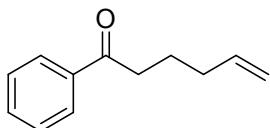


1-(4-((3-(Trimethylsilyl)prop-2-yn-1-yl)oxy)phenyl)etha-1-one (42) The product (54 mg, 73% yield) as a colorless liquid, was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 19:1). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.92 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 7.00 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 4.72 (s, 2 H).

H), 2.54 (s, 3 H), 0.16 (s, 9 H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 196.6, 161.5, 130.8, 130.4, 114.6, 99.1, 93.5, 56.7, 26.3, -0.3. HRMS: Calculated for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}_2\text{Si}(\text{M}+\text{Na})^+$: 269.0968; Found: 269.0973.

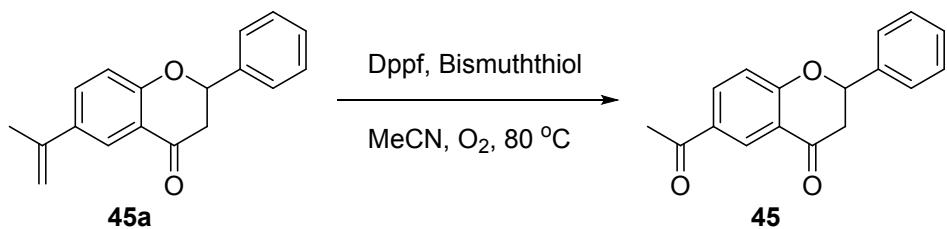


1-((4-((6,6-Dimethylhept-2-en-4-yn-1-yl)oxy)phenyl)etha-1-one (43) The product (44 mg, 57% yield) as a white solid, was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 15:1). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.93-7.90 (m, 2 H), 6.99-6.96 (m, 0.4 H), 6.92-6.90 (m, 1.6 H), 6.20-6.14 (m, 0.8 H), 6.01-5.96 (m, 0.2 H), 5.86-5.81 (m, 0.8 H), 5.74-5.71 (m, 0.2 H), 4.85 (dd, J = 6.4 Hz, J = 1.6 Hz, 0.4 H), 4.61 (dd, J = 5.6 Hz, J = 1.6 Hz, 1.6 H), 2.54 (s, 3 H), 1.28 (s, 1.8 H), 1.24 (s, 7.2 H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 196.6, 162.2, 135.1 (134.7), 130.5, 114.3, 113.9 (113.6), 110.5, 76.4, 67.9 (66.0), 30.9 (30.8), 27.9, 26.3. HRMS: Calculated for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}_2(\text{M}+\text{Na})^+$: 279.1355; Found: 279.1361.



1-Phenylhex-5-en-1-one (44) The product (15 mg, 30% yield) as a colorless liquid, was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 19:1). This compound is known.²⁶ ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.96 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2 H), 7.57-7.53 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1 H), 7.46 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2 H), 5.88-5.77 (m, 1 H), 5.08-4.98 (m, 2 H), 2.98 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2 H), 2.16 (q, J = 7.6 Hz, 2 H), 1.89-1.82 (m, 2 H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 200.2, 138.0, 137.0, 132.9, 128.5, 128.0, 115.3, 37.7, 33.2, 23.3. HRMS: Calculated for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{14}\text{O}(\text{M}+\text{Na})^+$: 197.0936; Found: 197.0940.

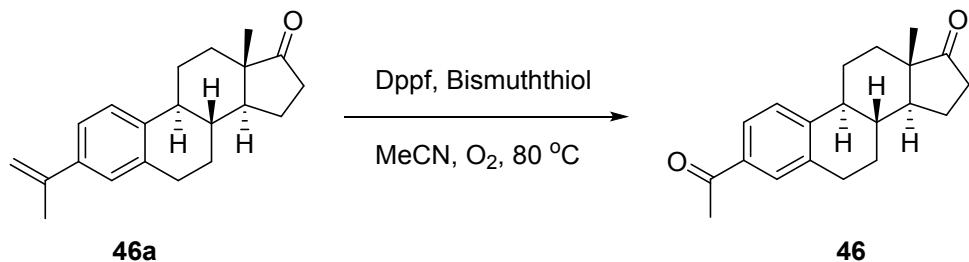
Synthesis of 6-Acetyl-2-phenylchroma-4-one (45)



To a 25 ml of Schlenk tube was added dppf (11 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv), bismuththiol (3.0 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv) and **45a** (52.8 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1 equiv) at room temperature. The reaction tube was degassed with dioxygen gas (1 atm, 3 times), then freshly distilled MeCN (0.5 mL) was injected by syringe. The reaction tube was heated to 80 °C and allowed to react for 15 h. The reaction mixture was concentrated and the residual was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10:1) to provide the product **45** (35 mg, 66% yield) as a white solid.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.50 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 8.17 (dd, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.50-7.39 (m, 5 H), 7.12 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1 H), 5.56 (dd, *J* = 13.2, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1 H), 3.14 (dd, *J* = 16.8, *J* = 13.2 Hz, 1 H), 2.96 (dd, *J* = 16.8, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1 H), 2.61 (s, 3 H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.2, 191.1, 164.7, 137.8, 135.4, 130.9, 129.0, 128.9, 128.5, 126.1, 120.0, 118.8, 79.9, 44.2, 26.4. HRMS: Calculated for C₁₇H₁₄O₃ (M+H)⁺: 267.1015; Found: 267.1021.

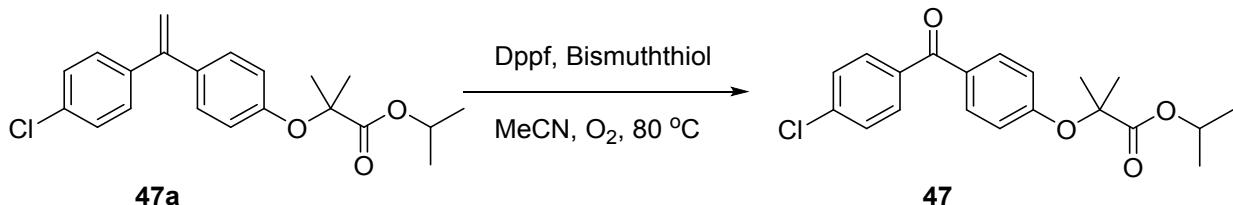
Synthesis of (8*R*,9*S*,13*S*,14*S*)-3-Acetyl-13-methyl-6,7,8,9,11,12,13,14,15,16-decahydro-17*H*-cyclopenta[*a*]phenathren-17-one (**46**)



To a 25 ml of Schlenk tube was added dppf (16.6 mg, 0.03 mmol, 0.1 equiv), bismuththiol (4.5 mg, 0.03 mmol, 0.1 equiv) and **46a** (88.3 mg, 0.30 mmol, 1 equiv) at room temperature. The reaction tube was degassed with dioxygen gas (1 atm, 3 times), then freshly distilled MeCN (0.5 mL) was injected by syringe. The reaction tube was heated to 80 °C and allowed to react for 15 h. The reaction mixture was concentrated and the residual was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10:1) to provide the product **46** (36 mg, 40% yield) as a white solid.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.71 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.68 (s, 1 H), 7.36 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1 H), 2.97-2.93 (m, 2 H), 2.55 (s, 3 H), 2.53-2.41 (m, 2 H), 2.35-2.29 (m, 1 H), 2.18-1.95 (m, 4 H), 1.68-1.41 (m, 6 H), 0.90 (s, 3 H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 220.3, 198.0, 145.4, 136.9, 134.9, 128.9, 125.8, 125.5, 50.5, 47.8, 44.7, 37.8, 35.8, 31.5, 29.3, 26.5, 26.3, 25.6, 21.6, 13.8. HRMS: Calculated for C₂₀H₂₄O₂ (M+Na)⁺: 319.1668 ; Found: 319.1672.

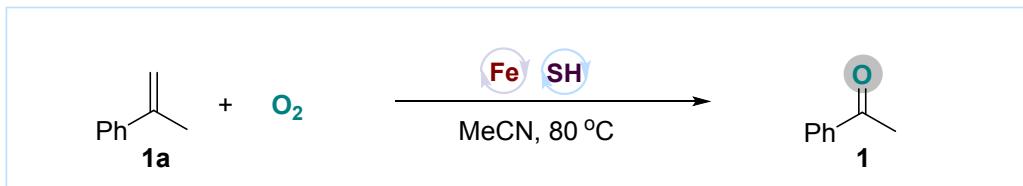
Synthesis of Isopropyl 2-(4-(4-chlorobenzoyl)phenoxy)-2-methylpropoate (47)



To a 25 ml of Schlenk tube was added dppf (16.6 mg, 0.03 mmol, 0.1 equiv), bismuththiol (4.5 mg, 0.03 mmol, 0.1 equiv) and **47a** (107.6 mg, 0.30 mmol, 1 equiv) at room temperature. The reaction tube was degassed with dioxygen gas (1 atm, 3 times), then freshly distilled MeCN (0.5 mL) was injected by syringe. The reaction tube was heated to 80 °C and allowed to react for 15 h. The reaction mixture was concentrated and the residual was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10:1) to provide the product **47** (72 mg, 67% yield) as a white solid. This compound is known.²⁶

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.73 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2 H), 7.70 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2 H), 7.44 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2 H), 6.86 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2 H), 5.08 (m, 1 H), 1.66 (s, 6 H), 1.20 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 6 H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.3, 173.1, 159.7, 138.3, 136.3, 131.9, 131.1, 130.1, 128.5, 117.1, 79.3, 69.3, 25.3, 21.5. HRMS: Calculated for C₂₀H₂₁ClO₄ (M+H)⁺: 361.1201; Found: 361.1202.

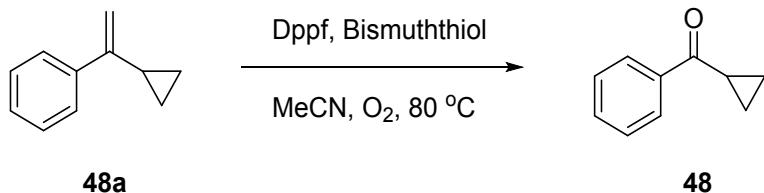
Radical Inhibition Experiments



Entry	additive	Yield
1	None	85%
2	TEMPO (10 mol%)	76%
3	TEMPO (100 mol%)	11%
4	BHT (10 mol%)	74%
5	BHT (100 mol%)	54%

General Procedure: To a 25 mL of Schlenk tube were added dppf (16.6 mg, 0.03 mmol, 0.1 equiv), bismuththiol (4.5 mg, 0.03 mmol, 0.1 equiv), additive (0.1-1.0 equiv) under air. The mixture was then evacuated and backfilled with O₂ (3 times). 2-phenyl-1-propene **1a** (0.3 mmol), and fresh distilled MeCN (0.5 mL) were added subsequently. The reaction mixture was heated to 80 °C (oil bath). After stirring for 15 h, the reaction was cooled to room temperature and mesitylene (0.3 mmol) was added. The yield was determined by ¹H NMR.

Radical Clock Experiment



To a 25 ml of Schlenk tube was added dppf (16.6 mg, 0.03 mmol, 0.1 equiv), bismuththiol (4.5 mg, 0.03 mmol, 0.1 equiv) at room temperature. The reaction tube was degassed with dioxygen gas (1 atm, 3 times), then **48a** (0.30 mmol, 1 equiv) and freshly distilled MeCN (0.5 mL) was injected by syringe. The reaction tube was heated to 80 °C and allowed to react for 15 h. The reaction mixture was transferred to a round bottom flask and the solvents removed in vacuo, the reaction crude was purified with silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 19:1) to provide the product (28 mg, 65% yield) as a light yellow liquid.

Cyclopropyl(phenyl)methane (48**)** This compound is known.¹ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.02 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2 H), 7.56 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1 H), 7.47 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2 H), 2.71-2.65 (m, 1 H), 1.27-1.23

(m, 2 H), 1.07-1.02 (m, 2 H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 200.6, 138.0, 132.7, 128.5, 128.0, 17.1, 11.6. HRMS: Calculated for $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{10}\text{O} (\text{M}+\text{Na})^+$: 169.0623; Found: 169.0628.

Cyclic Voltammetry Studies

The cyclic voltammograms were recorded in an electrolyte of $n\text{Bu}_4\text{NClO}_4$ (0.1 M) in MeCN using a glassy carbon disk working electrode (diameter, 3 mm), a Pt wire auxiliary electrode and a Ag/AgCl reference electrode. The scan rate is 100 mV/s. The electrode potential of ferrocene: $E_{\text{p}/2} = +0.52$ V vs. Ag/AgCl; and bismuththiol: $E_{\text{p}} = +0.44$ V vs. Ag/AgCl.

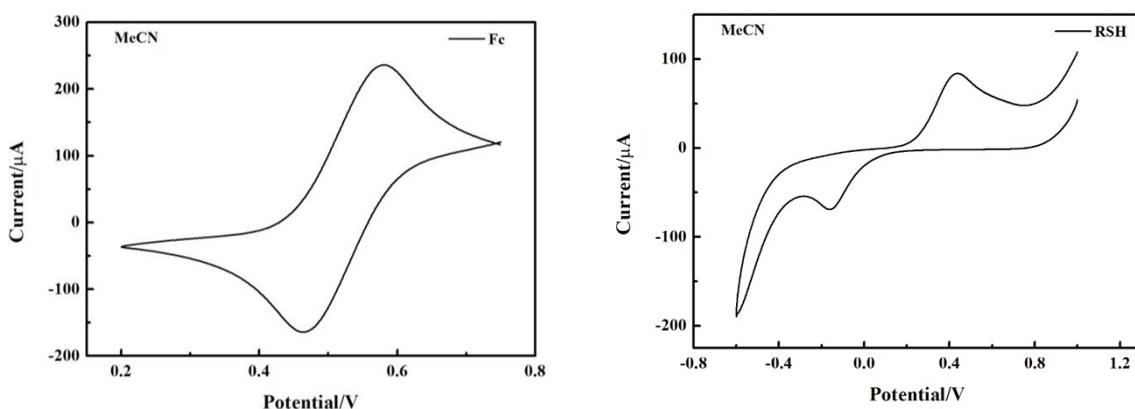
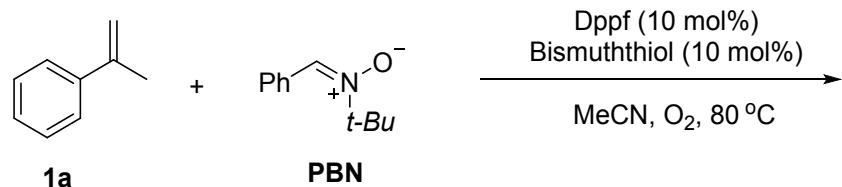


Figure S2. Cyclic voltammograms of ferrocene or bismuththiol in 0.1 M $n\text{Bu}_4\text{NClO}_4/\text{MeCN}$

Electron Paramagnetic Resonance (EPR) Experiments.



To a 25 ml of Schlenk tube was added dppf (16.6 mg, 0.03 mmol, 0.1 equiv), bismuththiol (4.5 mg, 0.03 mmol, 0.1 equiv) at room temperature. The reaction tube was degassed with dioxygen gas (1 atm, 3 times), then **1a** (0.30 mmol, 1 equiv), PBN (0.30 mmol) and freshly distilled MeCN (0.5 mL) was injected by syringe. The reaction tube was heated to 80 °C and allowed to react for 3 h. The resulting mixture was then analyzed by EPR at 80 °C.

The EPR showed a broad EPR triplet spectrum of nitroxide ($g = 2.0056$, $a = 16.15$ G), indicating that a free radical must be involved in this reaction.

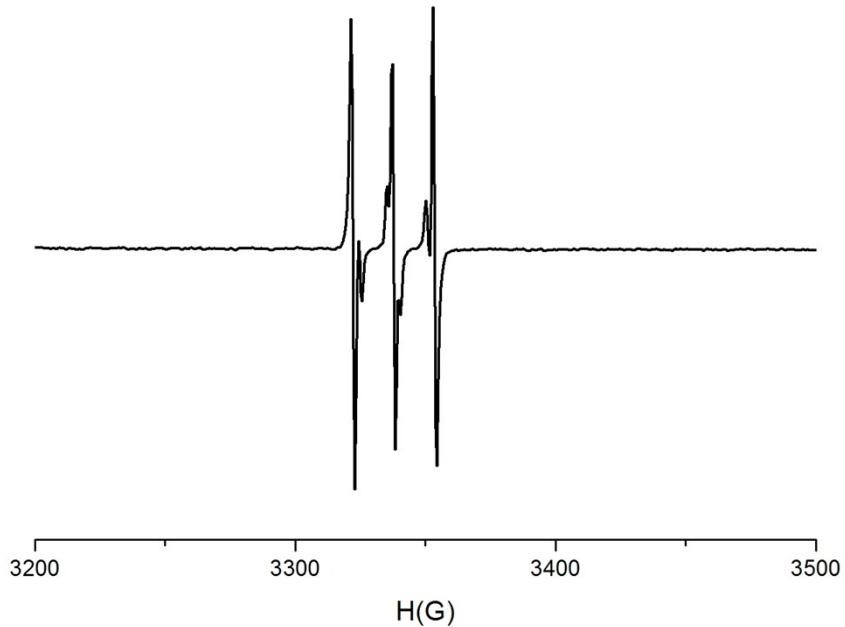
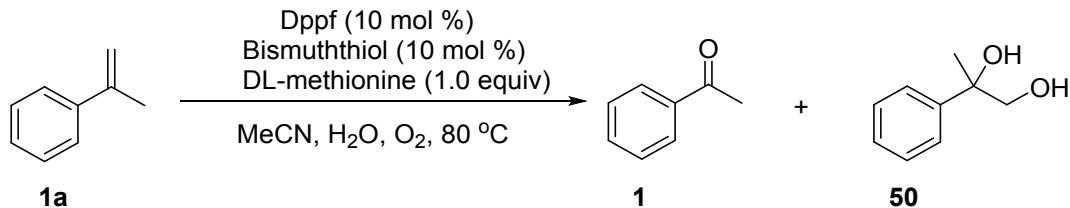


Figure S1. The Electron Paramagnetic Resonance (EPR) Spectrum of our reaction mixture in the presence of PBN

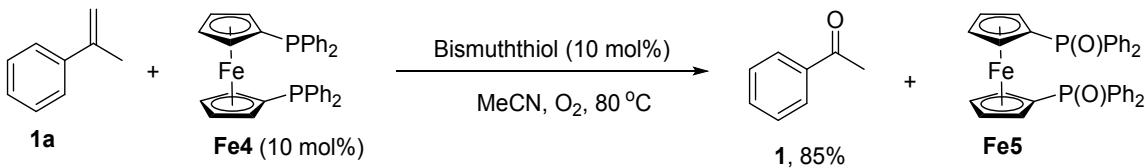
Mechanistic studies



To a 25 ml of Schlenk tube was added dppf (16.6 mg, 0.03 mmol, 0.1 equiv), bismuththiol (4.5 mg, 0.03 mmol, 0.1 equiv) and DL-methionine (49.7 mg, 0.3 mmol, 1.0 equiv) at room temperature. The reaction tube was degassed with dioxygen gas (1 atm, 3 times), then 2-phenyl-1-propene **1a** (0.30 mmol, 1 eq) and freshly distilled MeCN (0.4 mL) and H₂O (0.2 mL) was injected by syringe. The reaction tube was heated to 80 °C and allowed to react for 15 h. The reaction mixture was transferred to a round bottom flask and the solvents removed in vacuo, the reaction crude was purified with silica gel chromatography provide product **50** (10% yield) as a white solid.

2-Phenylpropae-1,2-diol (50) This compound is known.²⁷ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.46 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2 H), 7.37 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2 H), 7.28 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1 H), 3.81 (d, *J* = 11.2 Hz, 1 H), 3.64

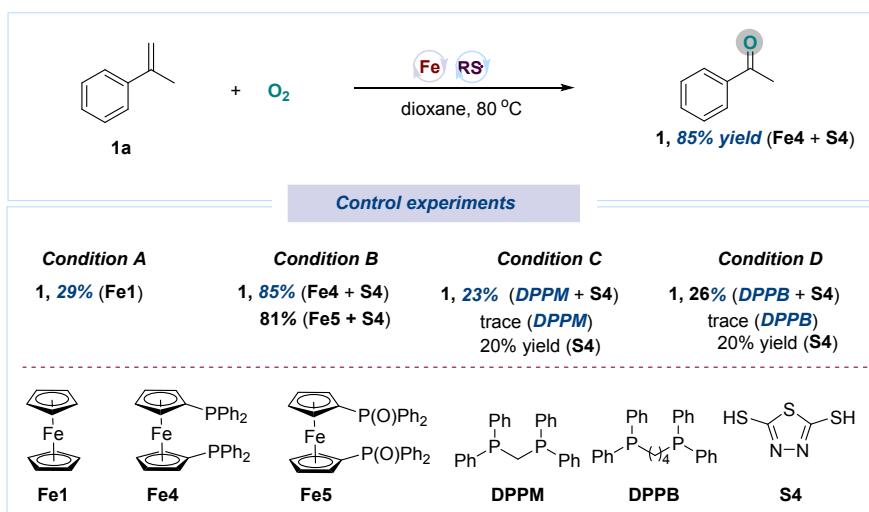
(m, 1 H), 2.61 (s, 1 H), 1.86 (s, 1 H), 1.54 (s, 3 H). HRMS: Calculated for $C_9H_{12}O_2$ ($M+Na$) $^+$: 175.0729; Found: 175.0733.



To a 25 mL of Schlenk tube were added dppf (16.6 mg, 0.03 mmol, 0.1 equiv), bismuththiol (4.5 mg, 0.03 mmol, 0.1 equiv) under air. The mixture was then evacuated and backfilled with O_2 (3 times). 2-phenyl-1-propene **1a** (0.3 mmol), and fresh distilled MeCN (0.5 mL) were added subsequently. The reaction mixture was heated to 80 $^{\circ}C$ (oil bath). After stirring for 15 h, the reaction was cooled to room temperature and mesitylene (0.3 mmol) was added. The yield was determined by 1H NMR, and we found that **Fe5** was obtained as well.

Bis(2-(diphenylphosphoryl)cyclopenta-2,4-dien-1-yl)iron (Fe5) 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.59-7.55 (m, 8 H), 7.50-7.46 (m, 4 H), 7.41-7.39 (m, 8 H), 4.67 (s, 4 H), 4.26 (s, 4 H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 134.1, 133.0, 131.7, 131.6, 131.3, 131.2, 128.3, 128.2, 74.7, 74.0, 73.9, 73.5, 73.4, 73.3. HRMS: Calculated for $C_{34}H_{29}FeO_2P_2$ ($M+H$) $^+$: 587.0987; Found: 587.0986.

To determine the real catalysts in this reaction, we conducted the control experiments (as shown, below)



When we monitored this reaction by 1H NMR, we found that a new iron species, **Fe5** was generated, which was successfully isolated as well. The dppf analogue **Fe5** could be synthesized

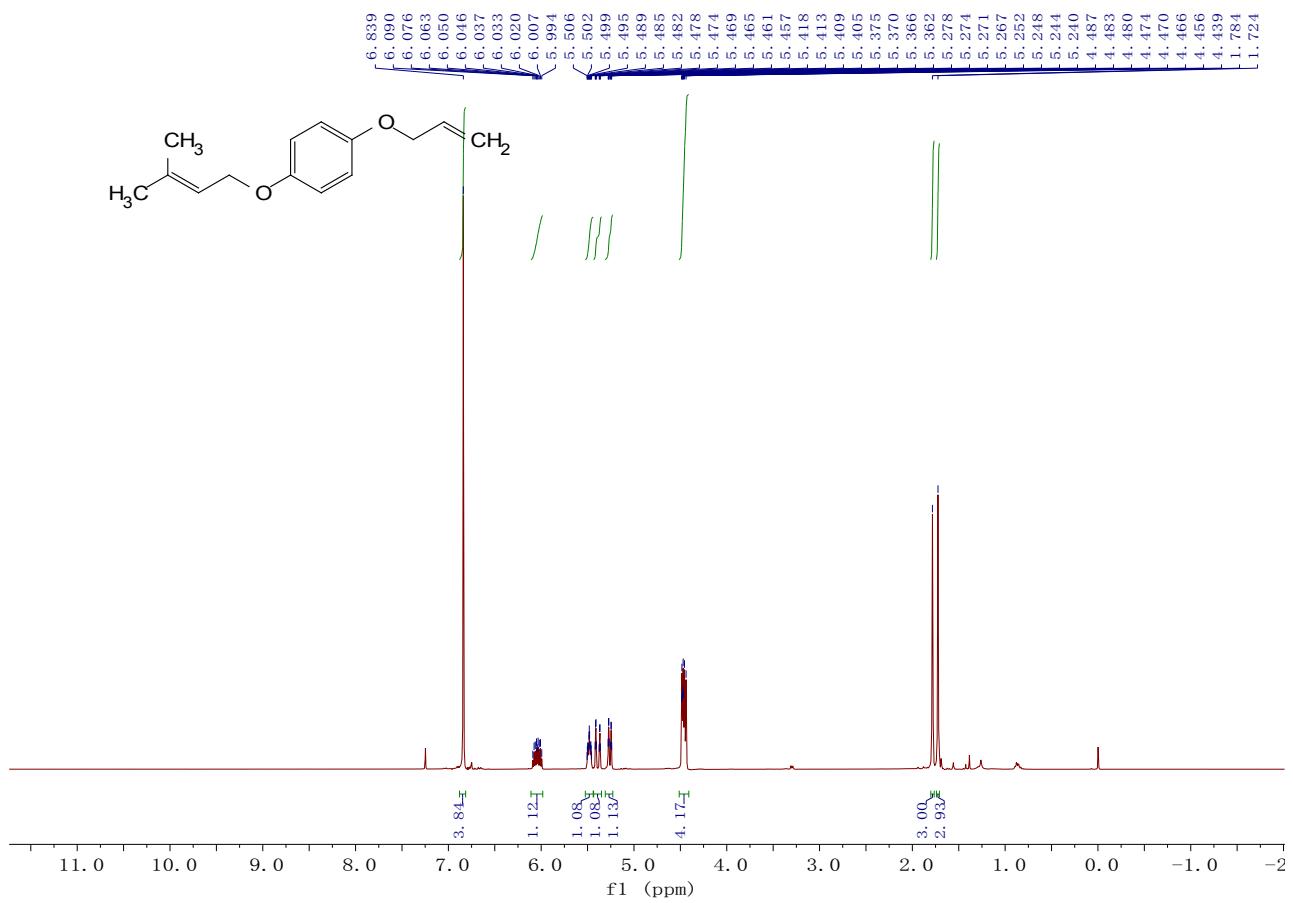
through the oxidation of dppf using H₂O₂ as oxidant. Furthermore, 81% yield of desired product was obtained when dppf analogue **Fe5** was used as catalyst. To rule out phosphine moieties on the dppf might promote this transformation, the control experiments were conducted. As shown, when DPPM, and DPPB were used as catalysts in the absence of thiols, this transformation was totally shut down. In addition, 23%-26% yiled were obtained using phosphine and thiol as co-catalysts, which is similar with the thiol as sole catalyst. What's more, ferrocene **Fe1** without any phosphine moieties could also promote this transformation, providing ketone in 29% yield. These result demonstrats that phosphine might not promote this transformation, so we still think that this reaction was promoted by iron species, not phosphine species.

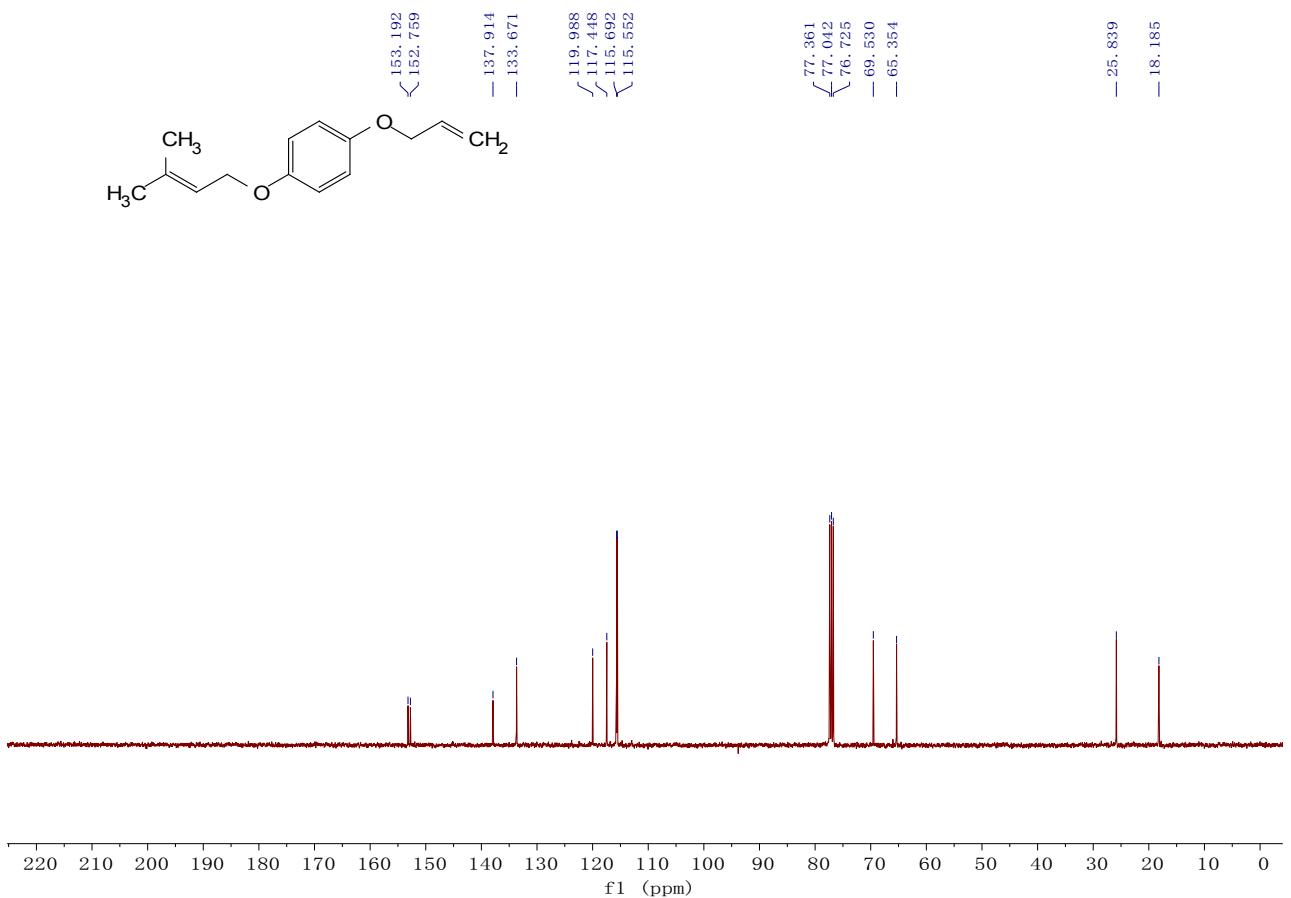
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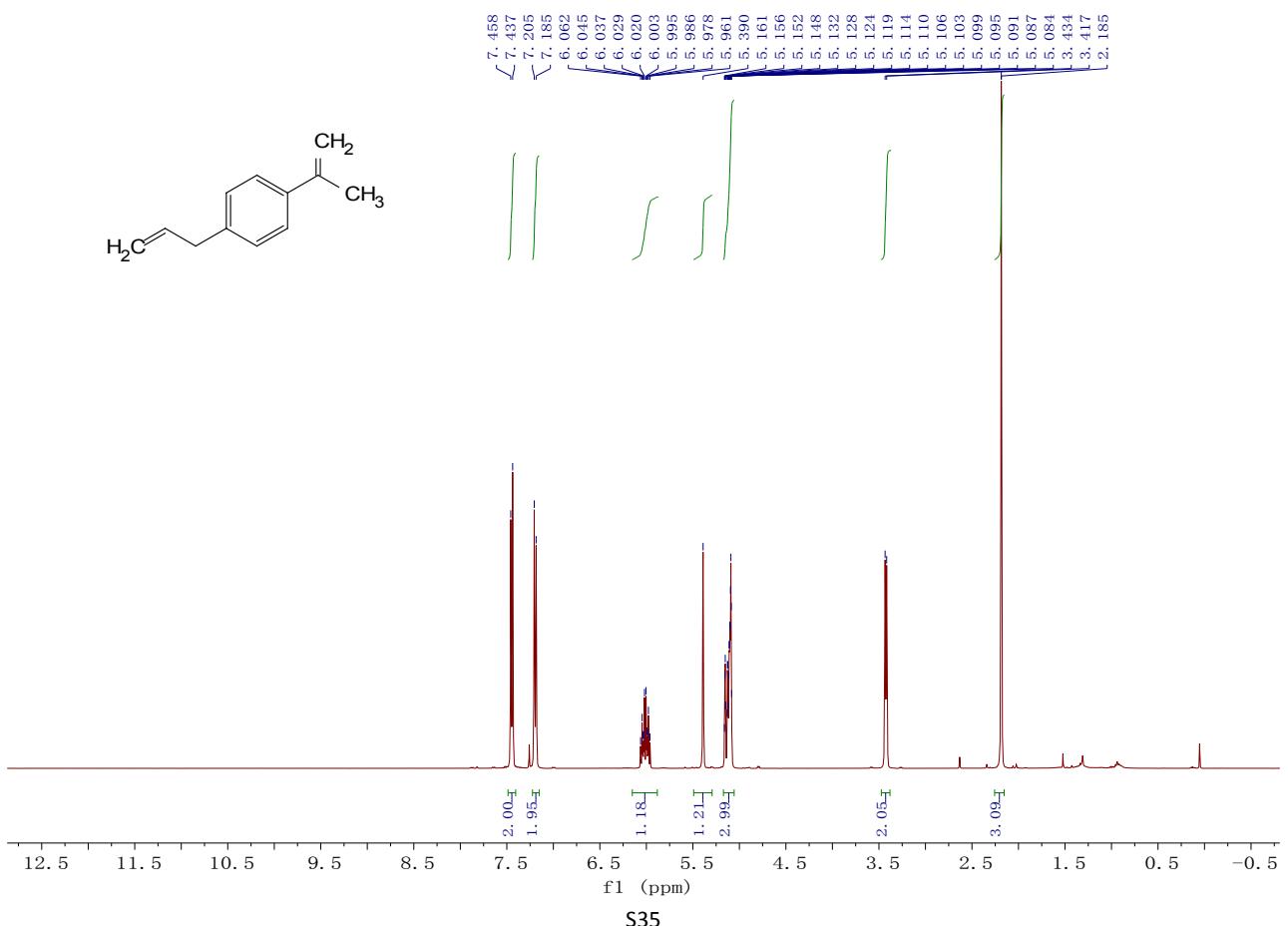
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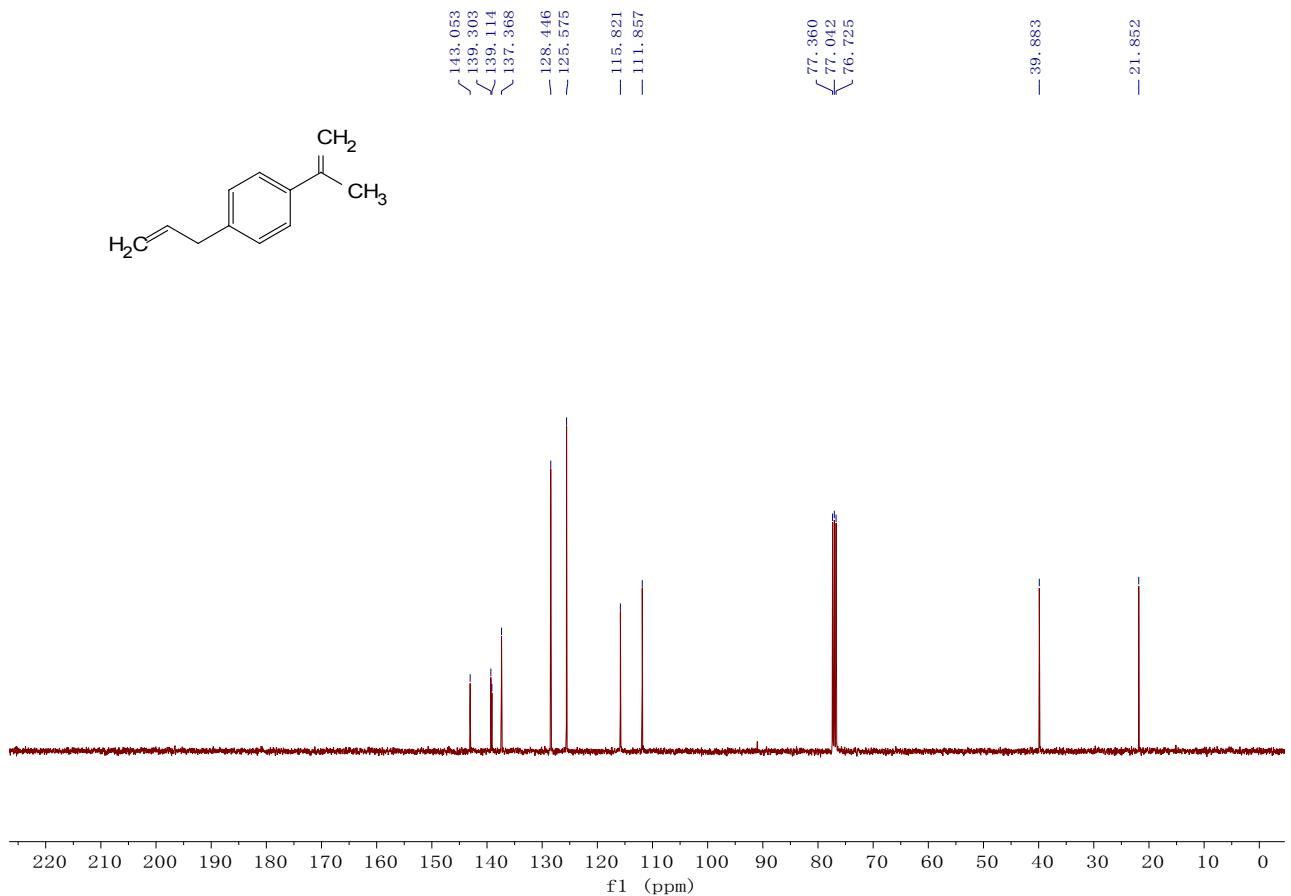
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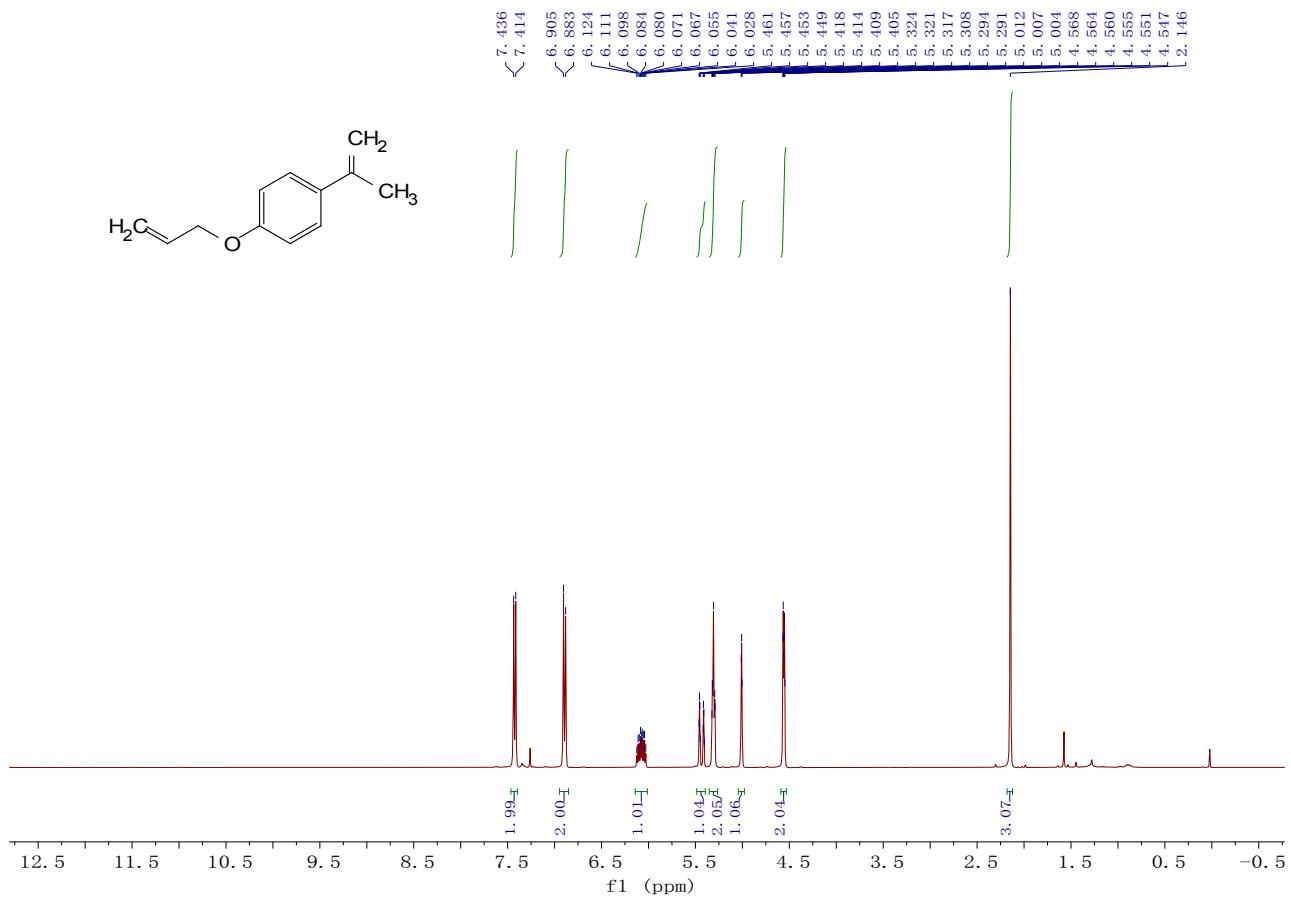


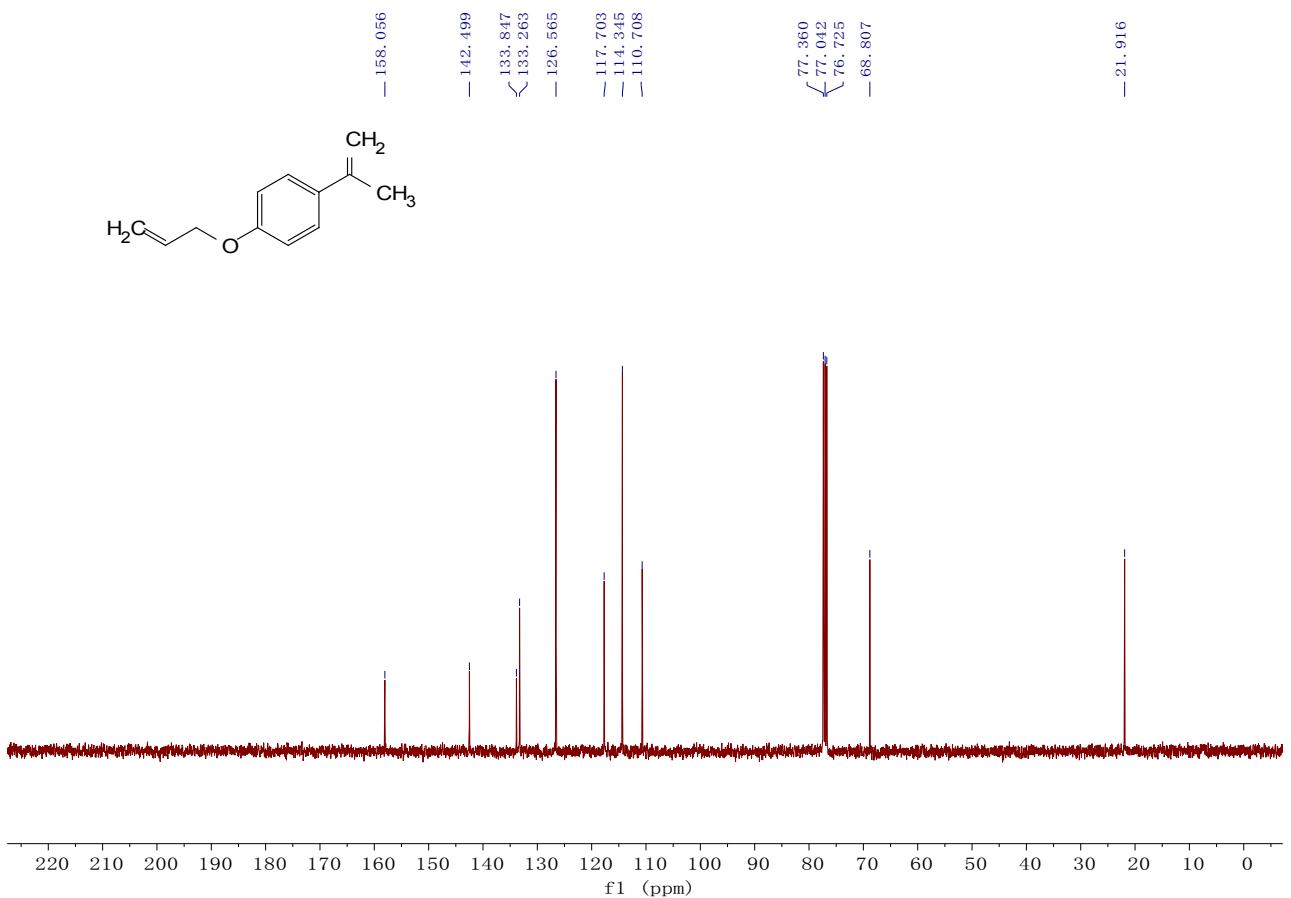
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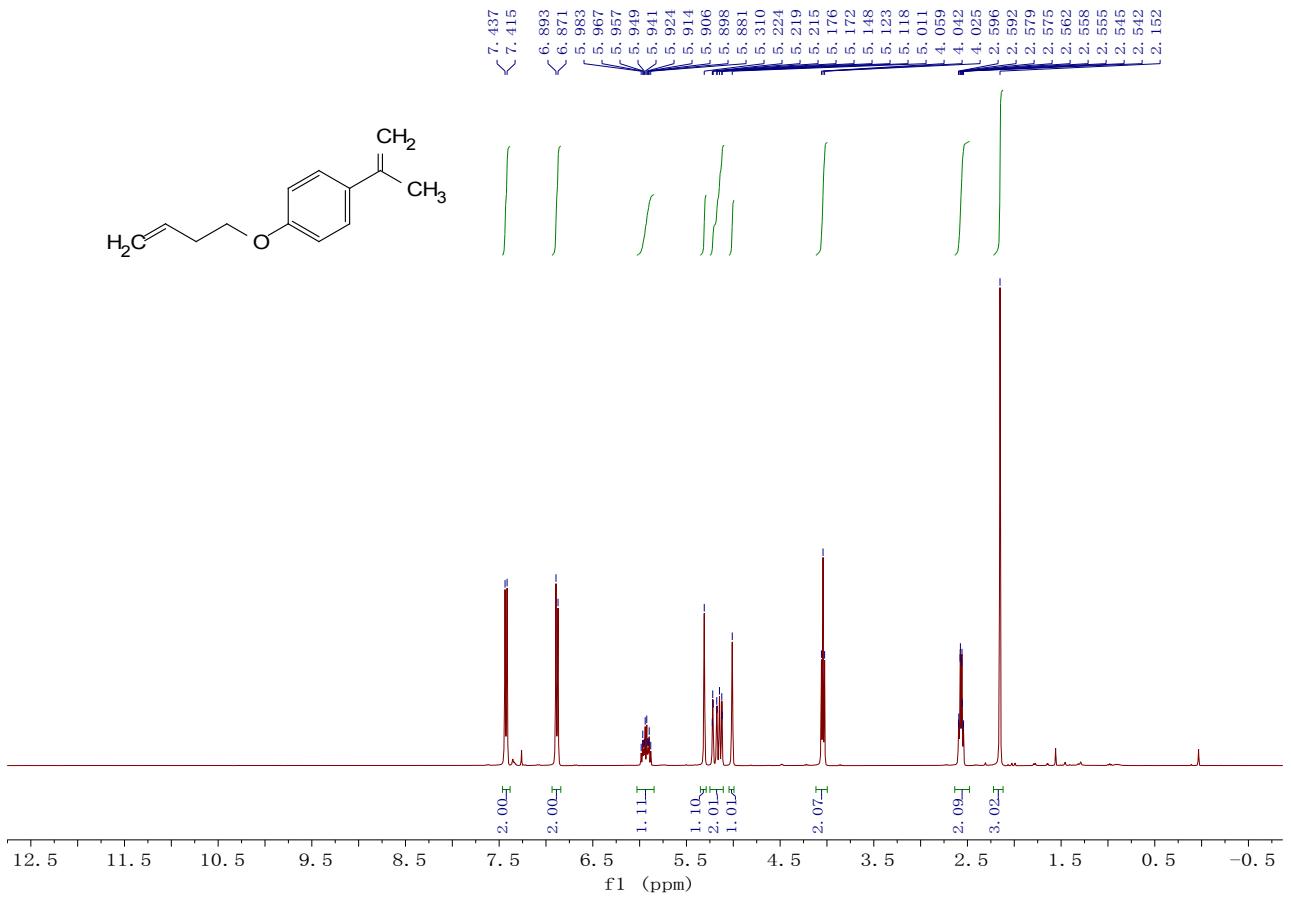


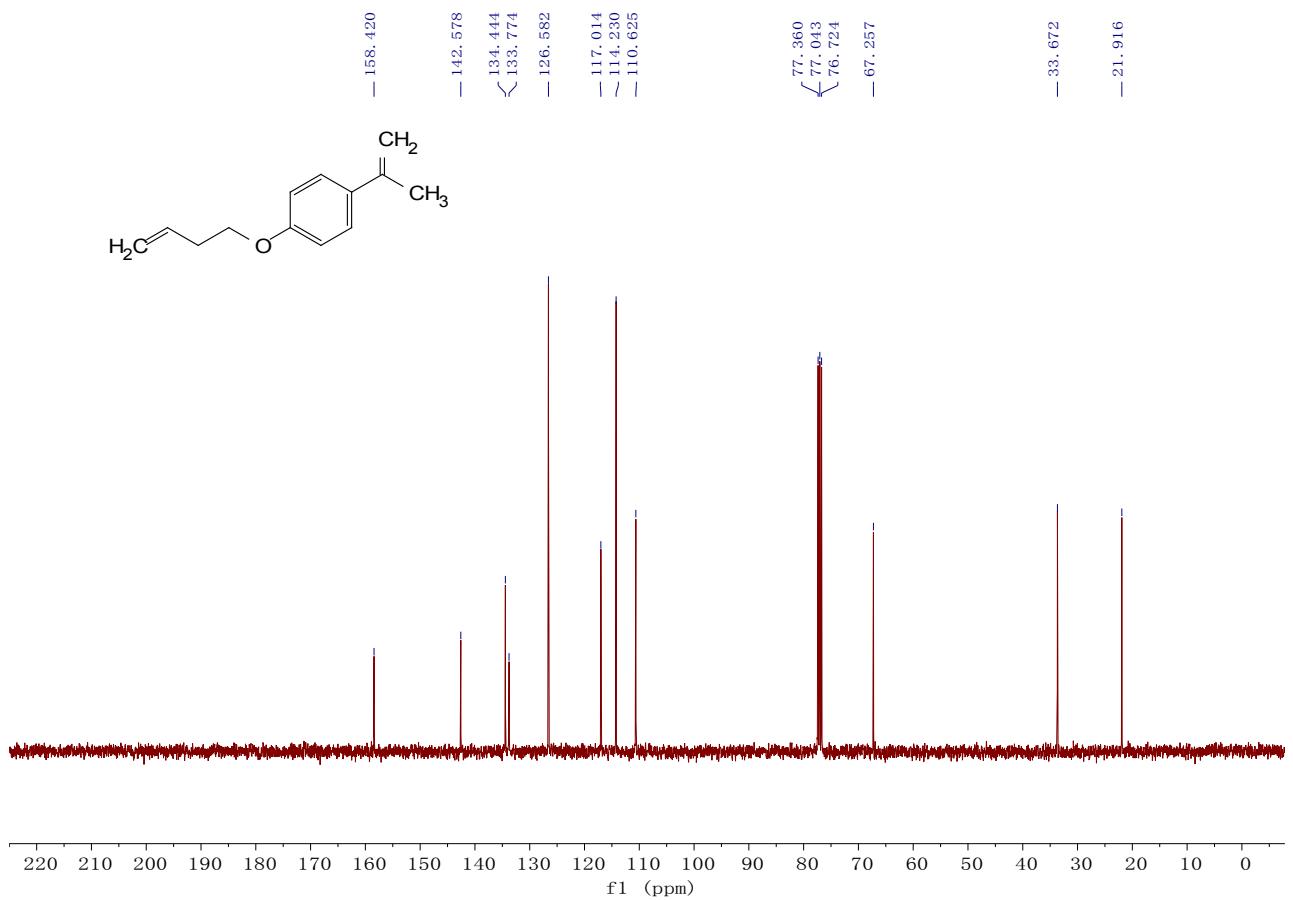
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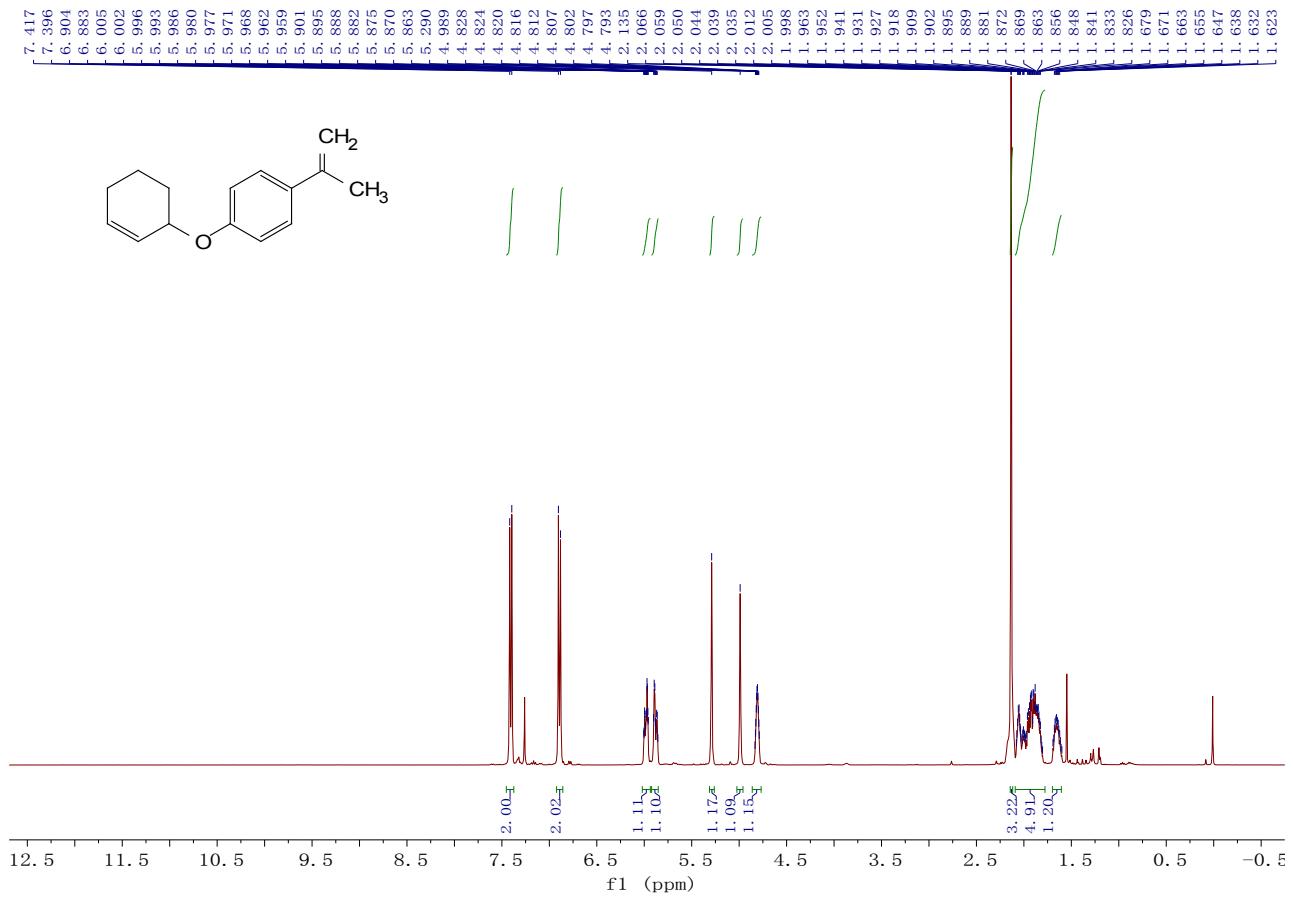


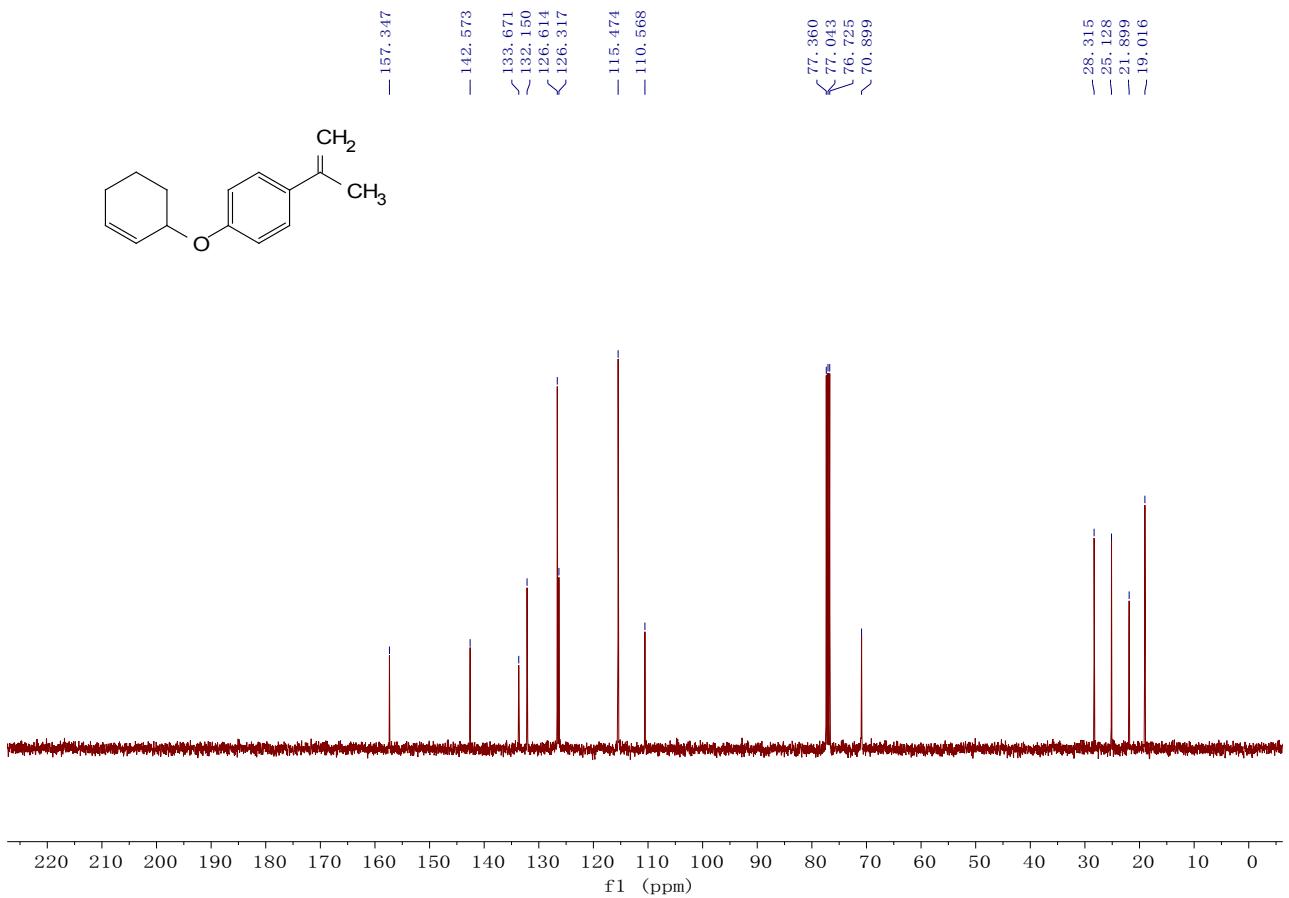
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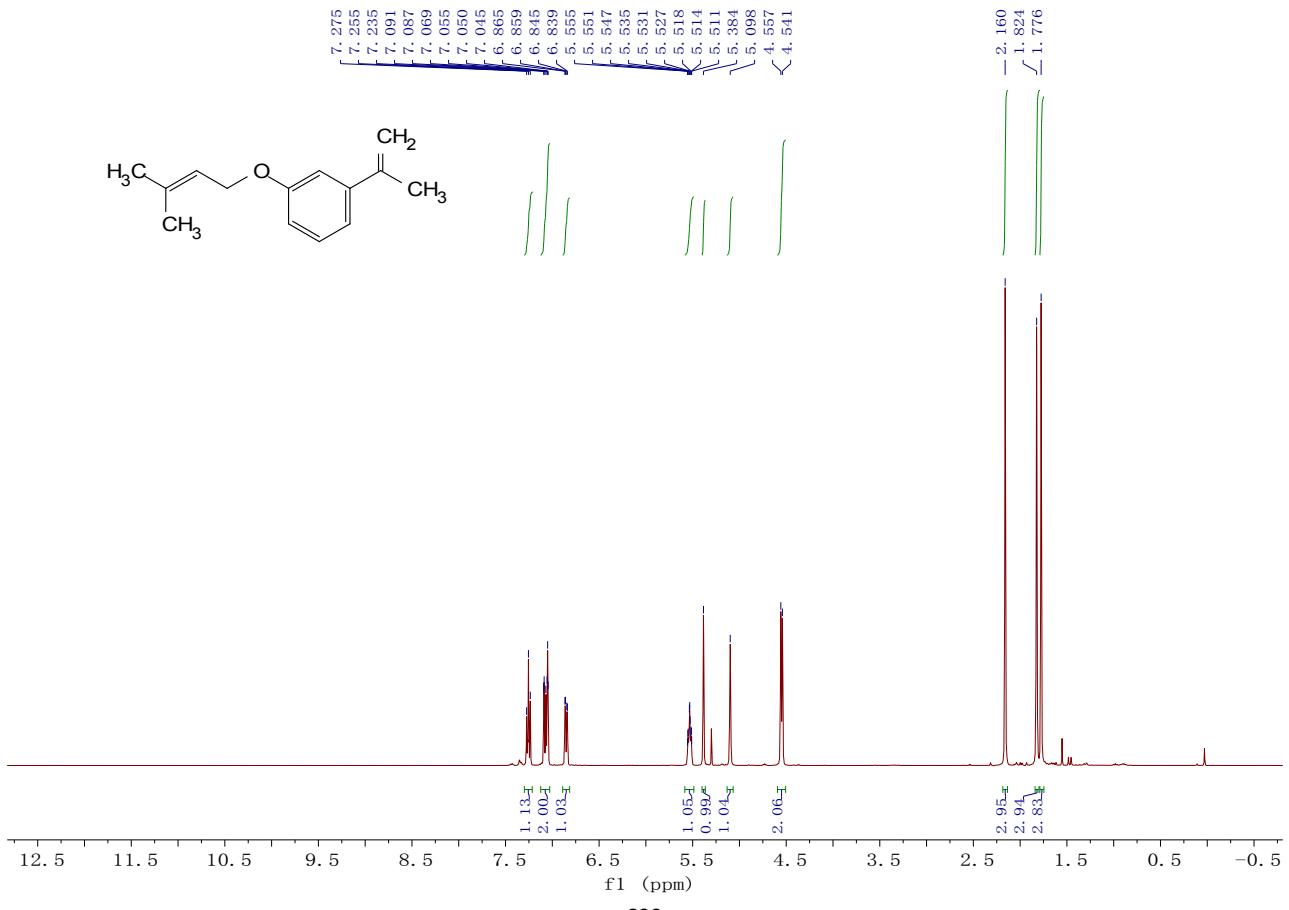


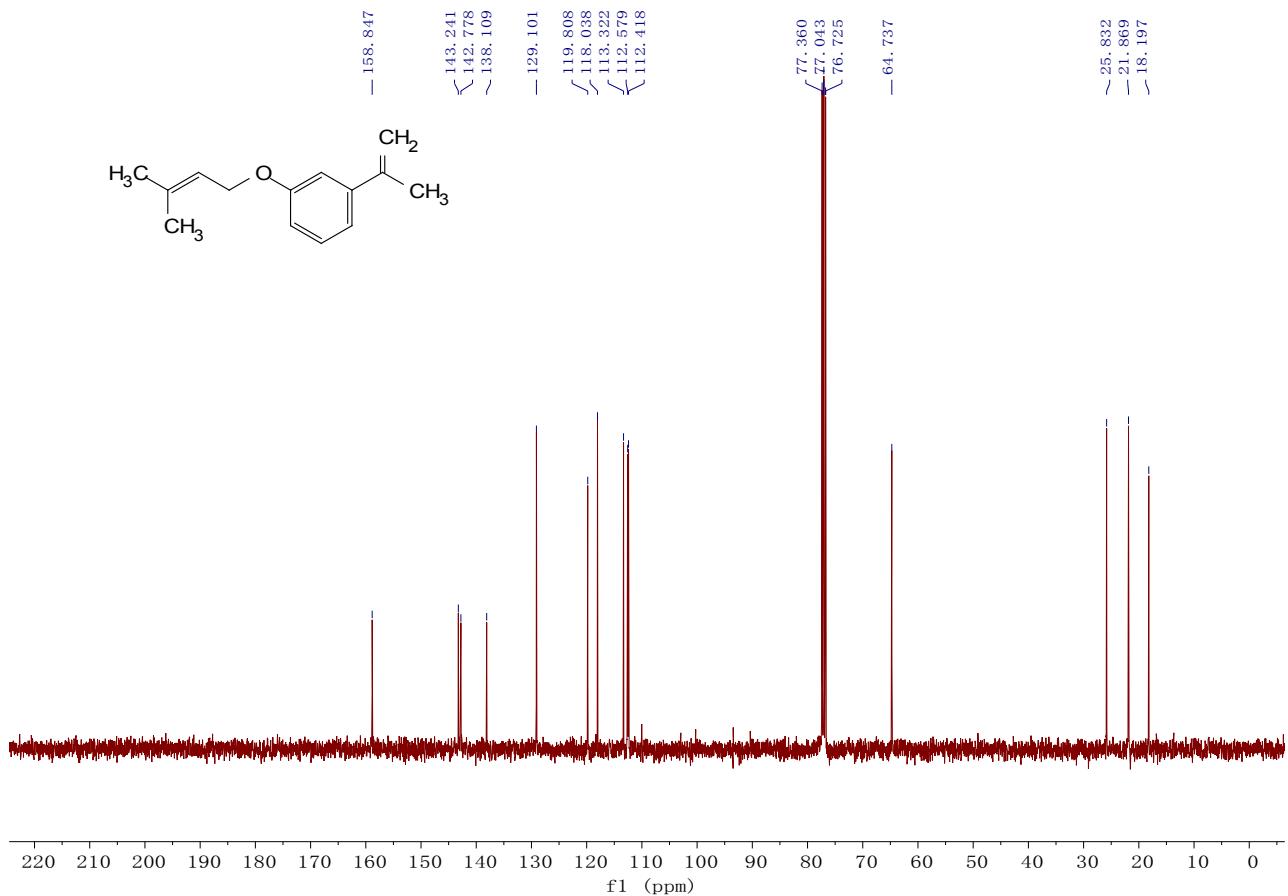
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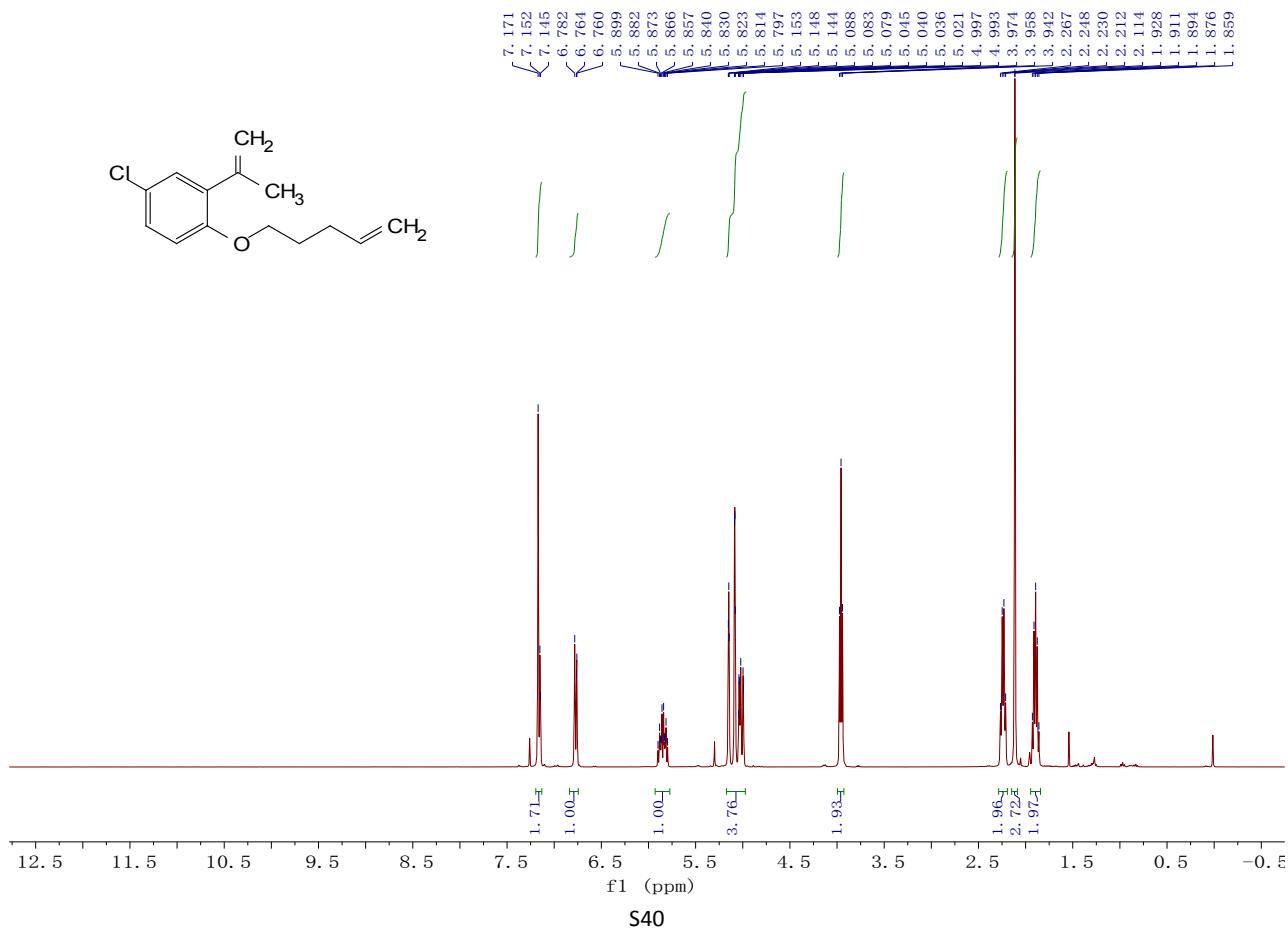


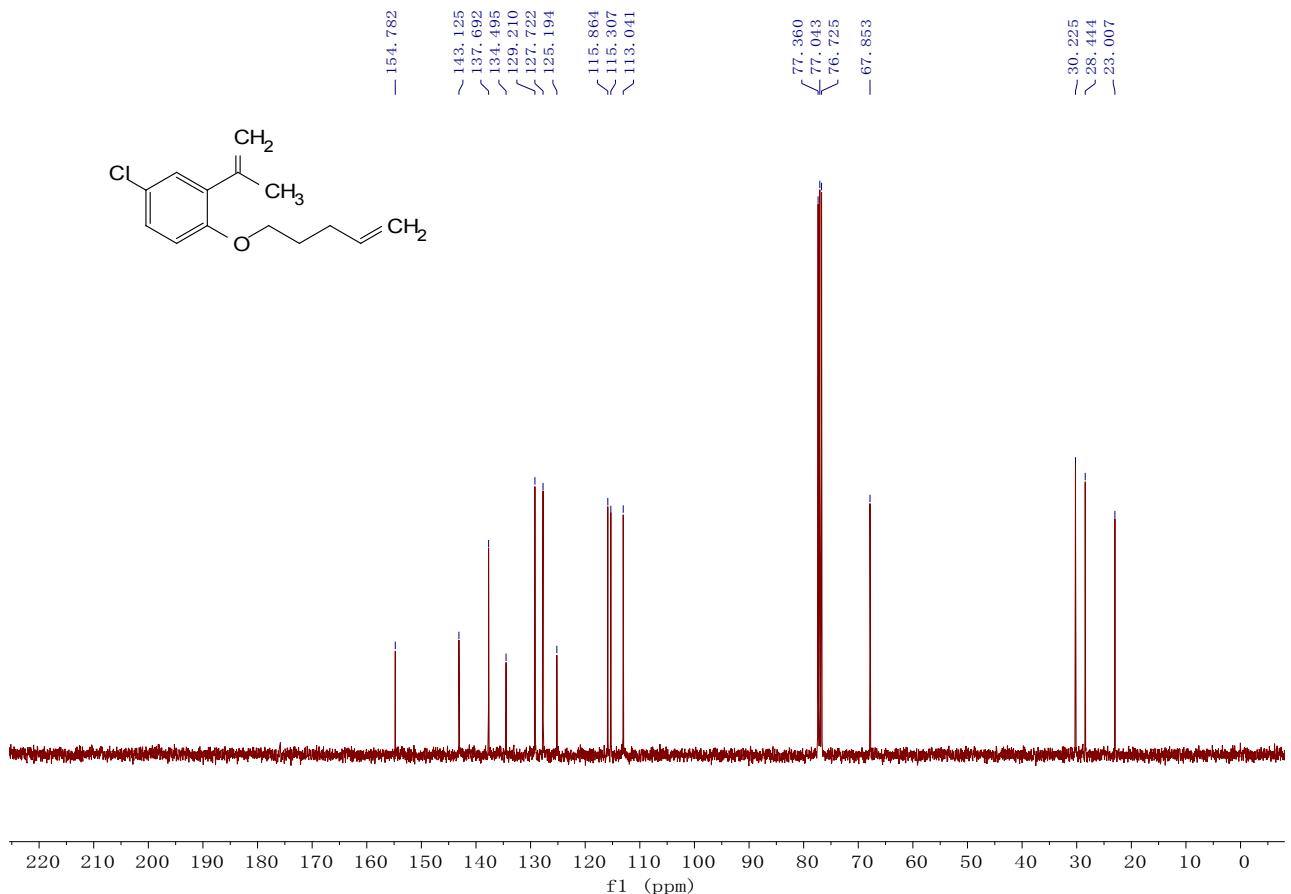
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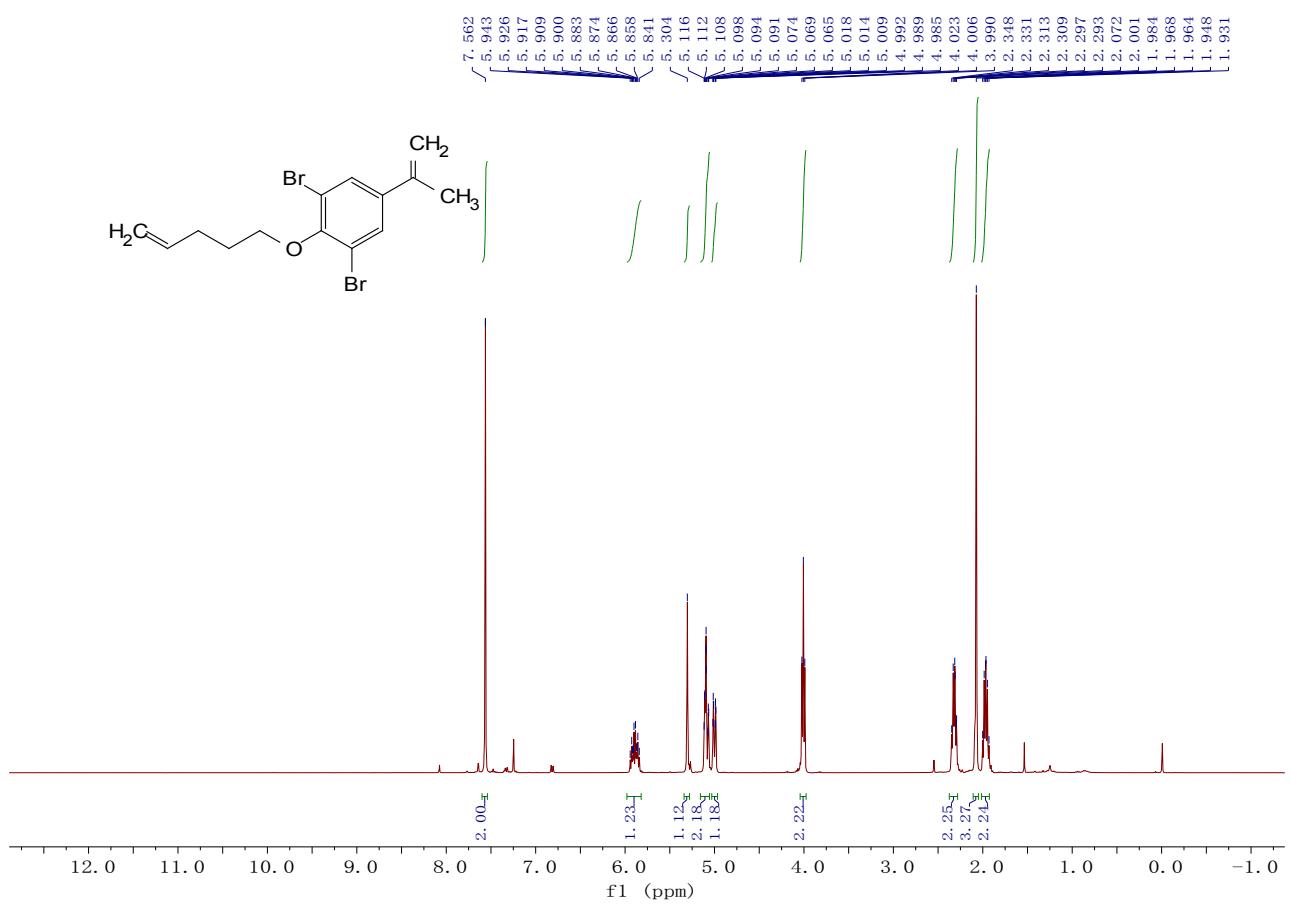


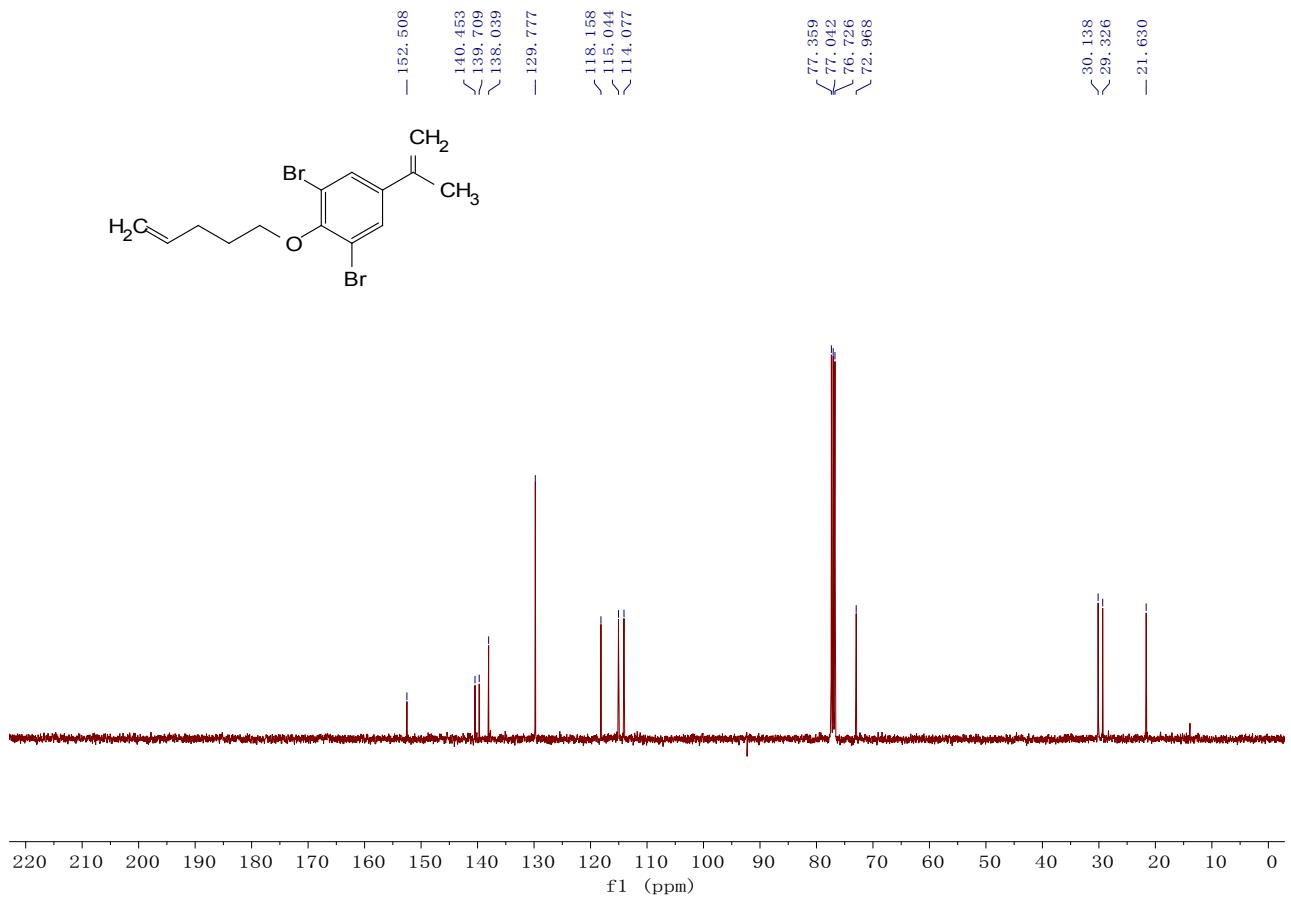
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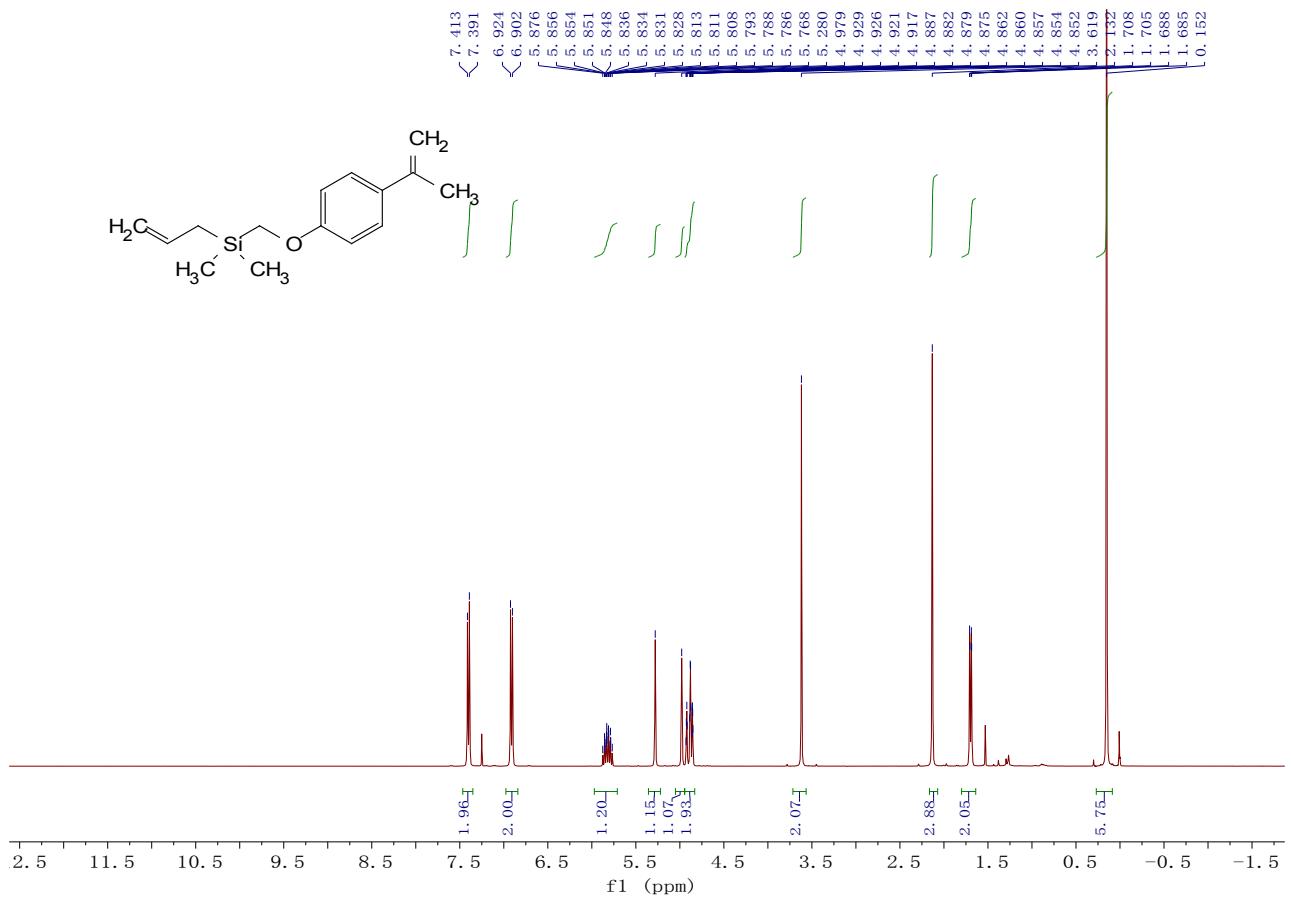


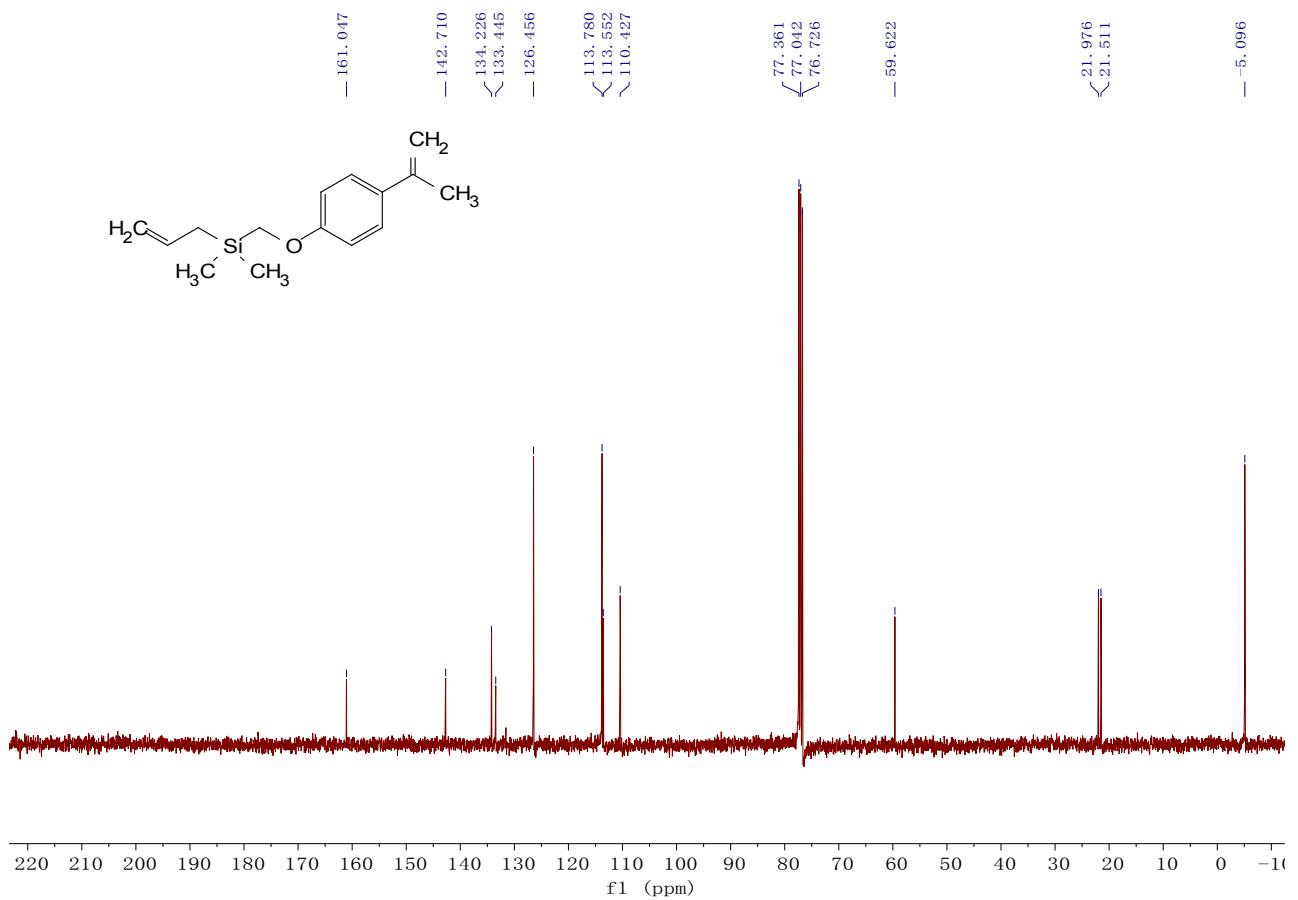
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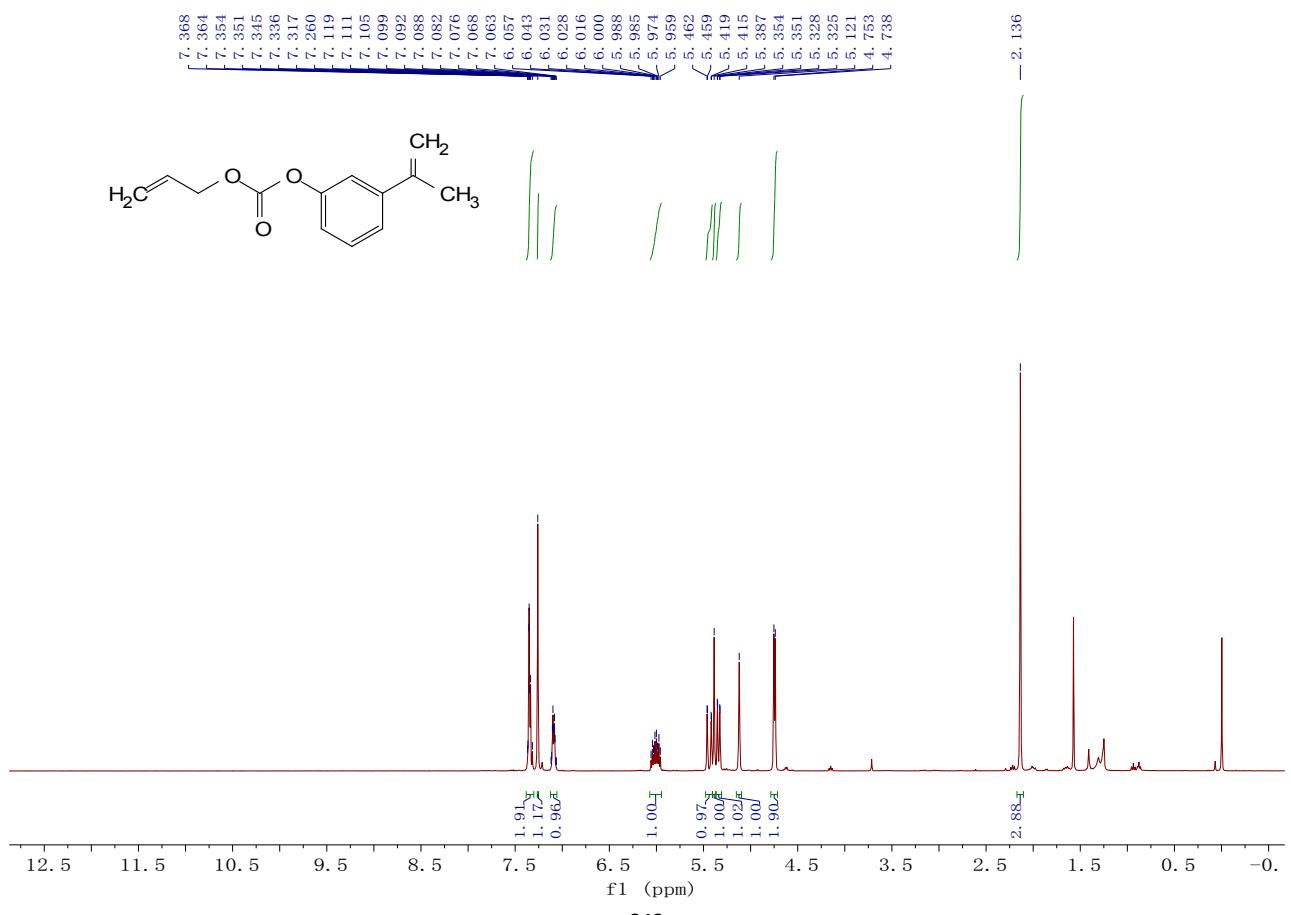


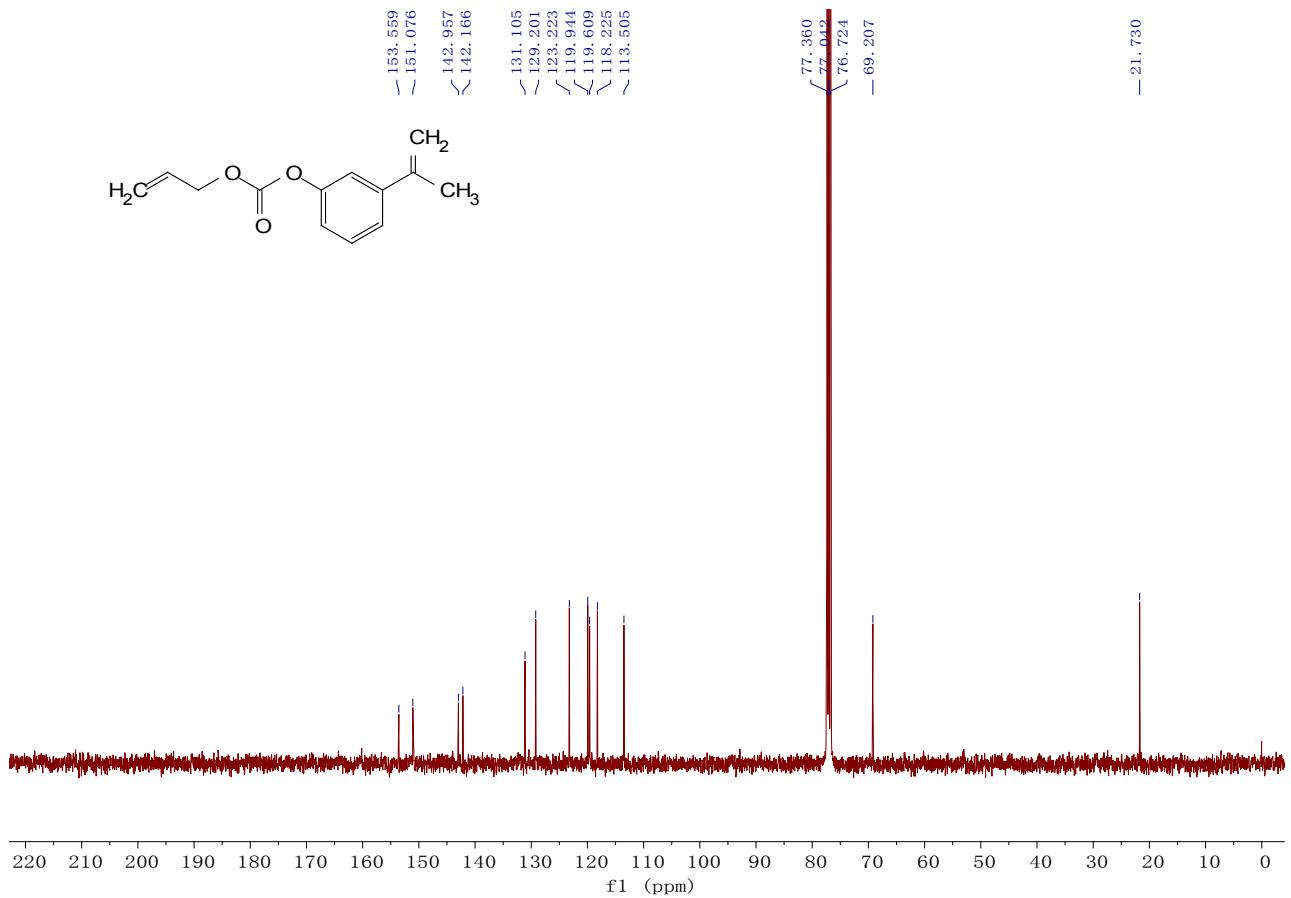
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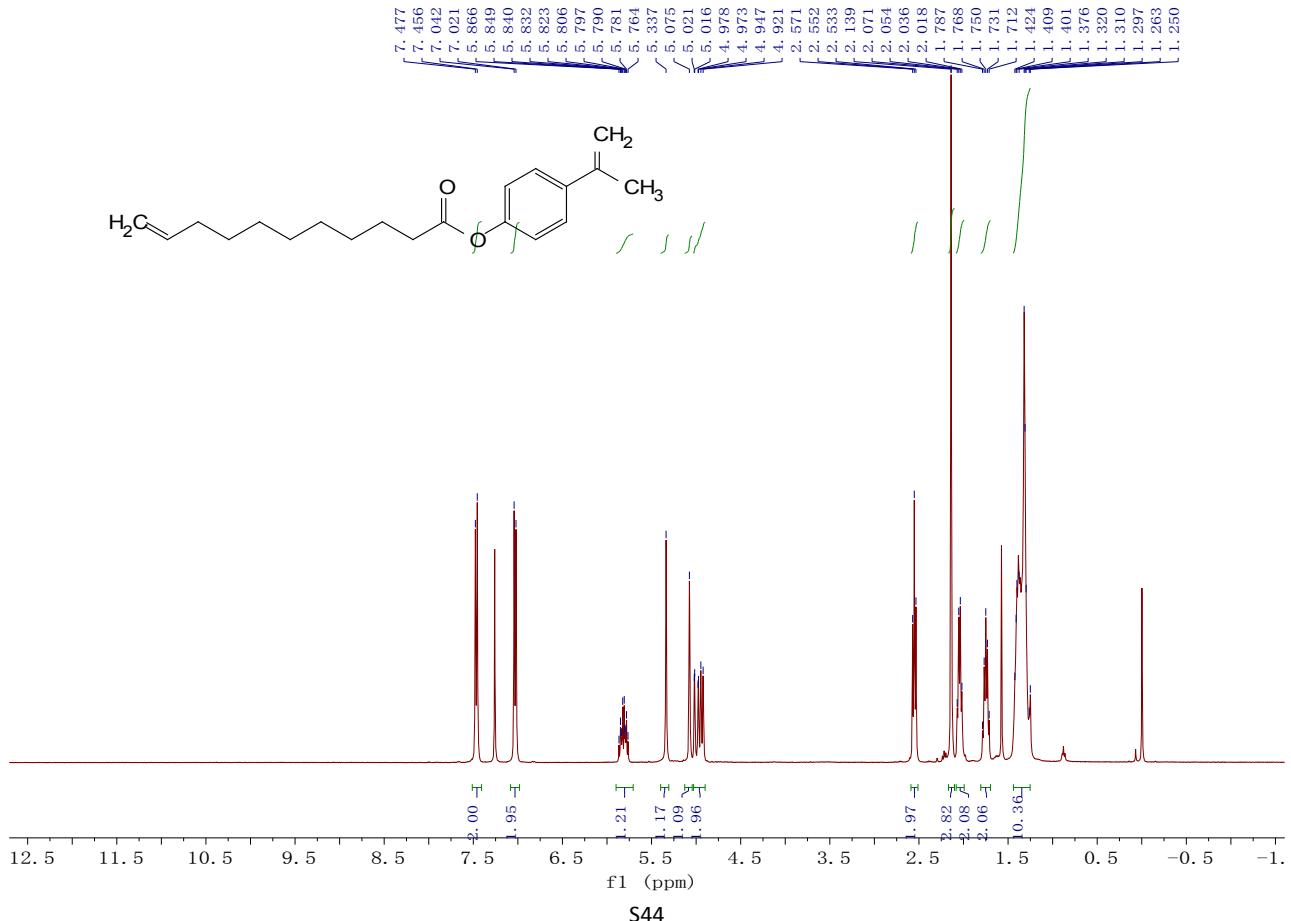


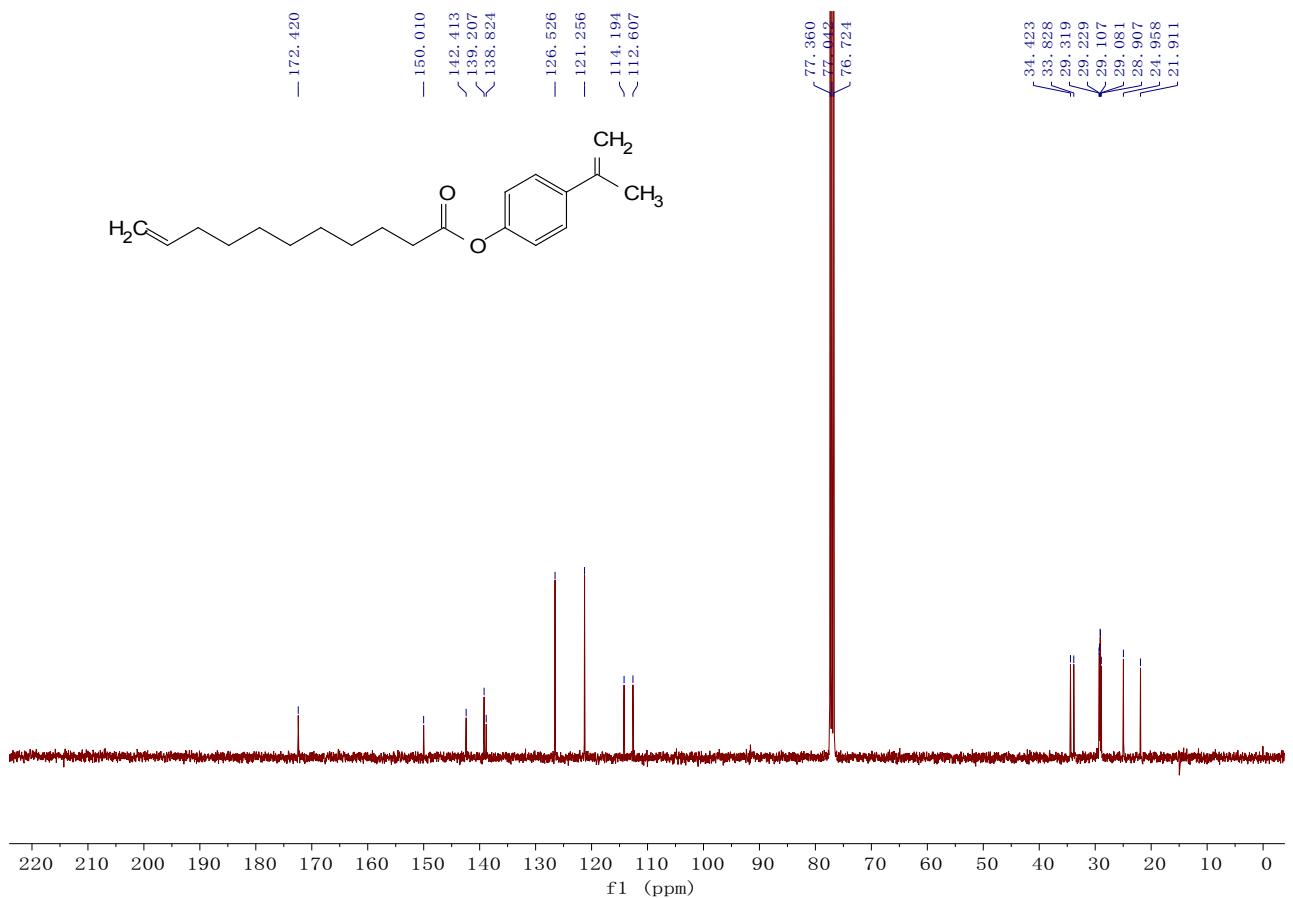
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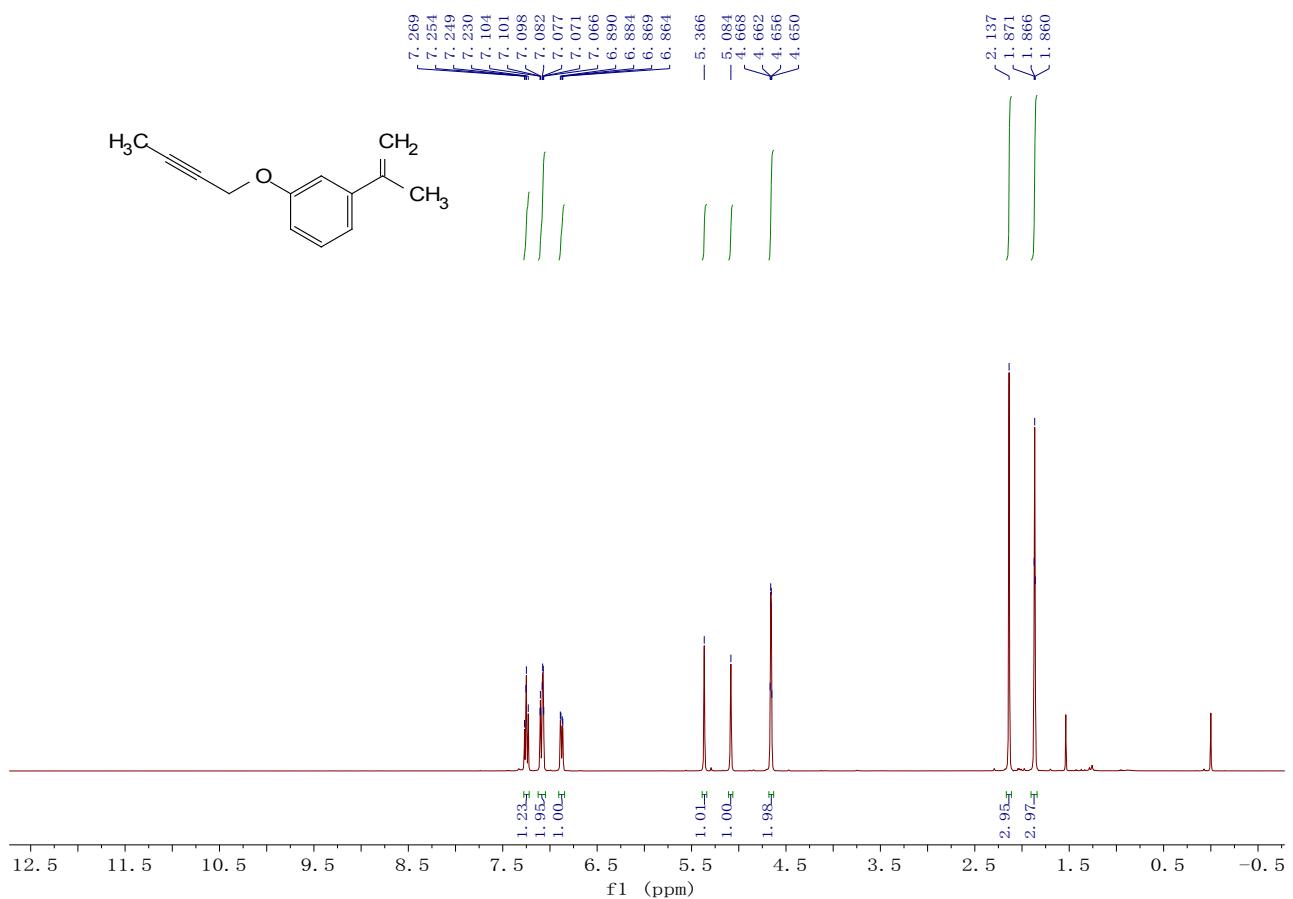


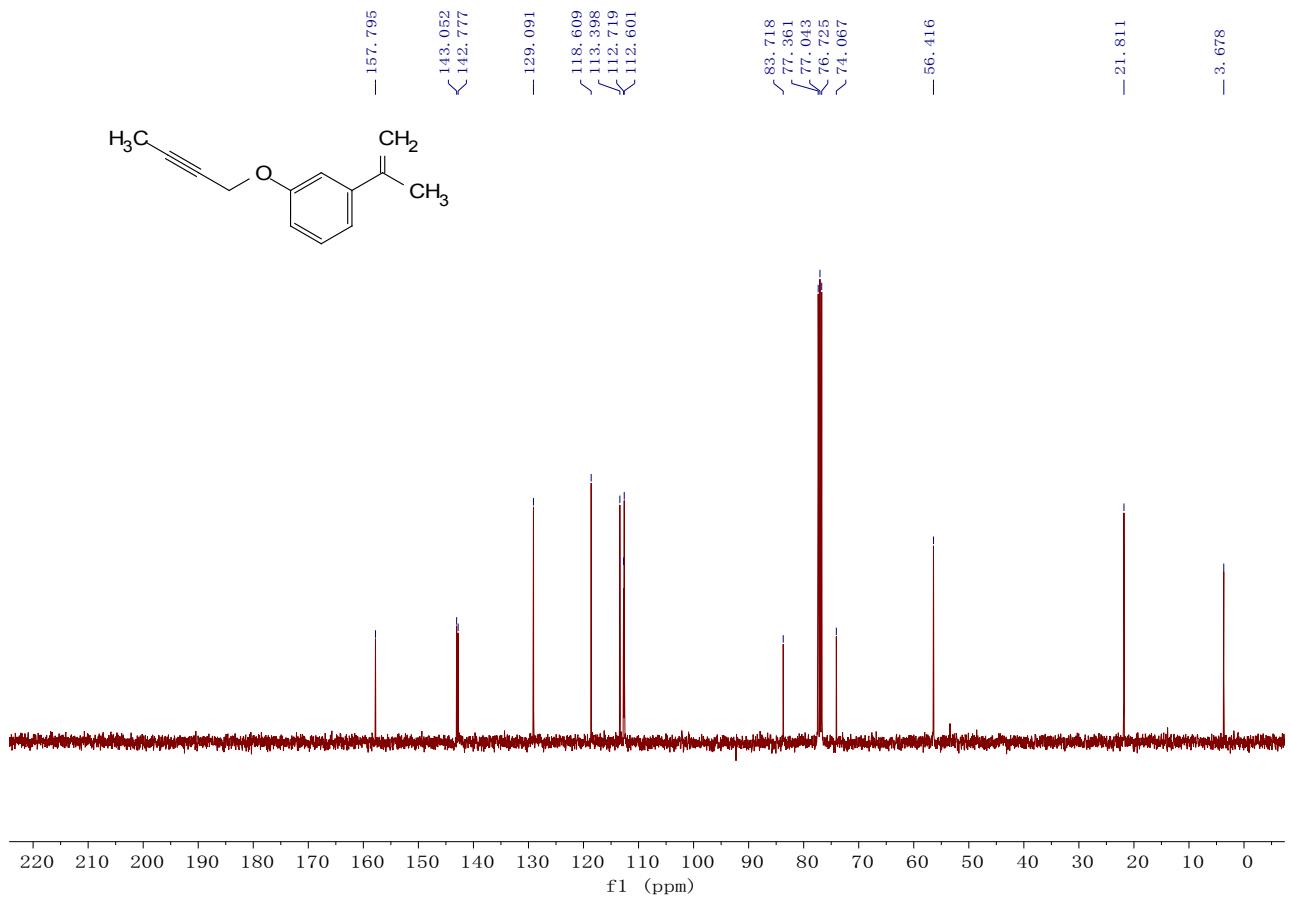
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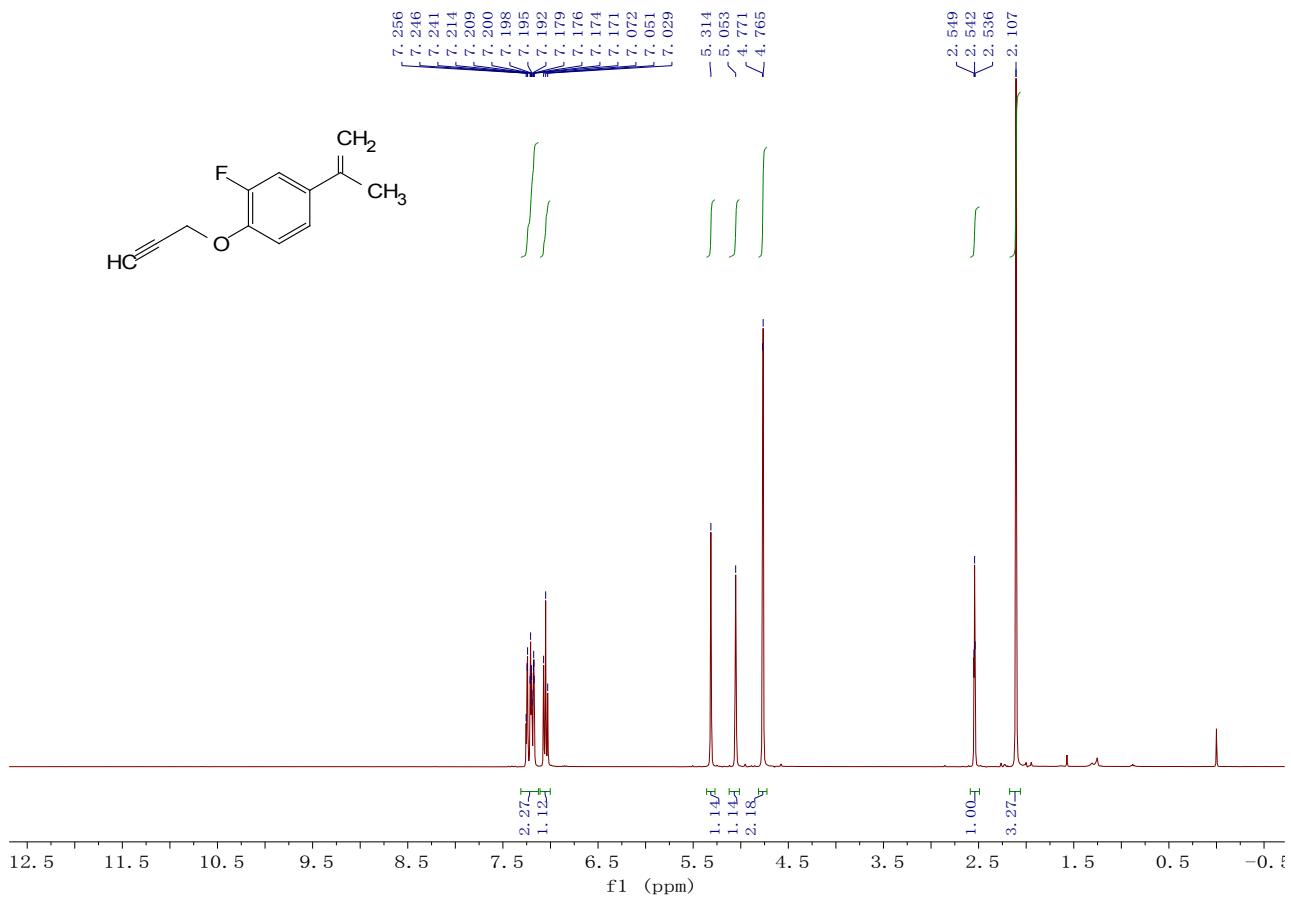


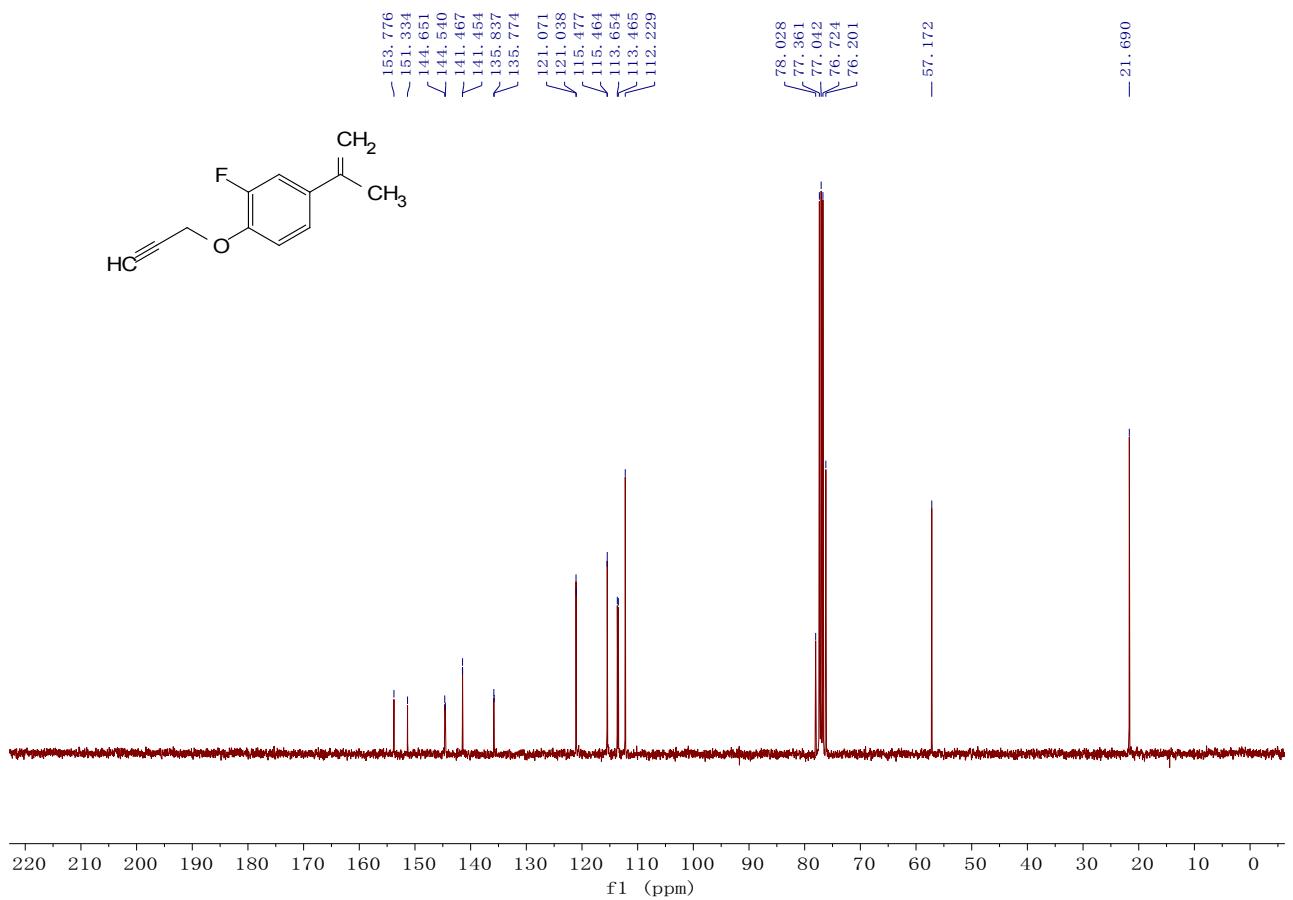
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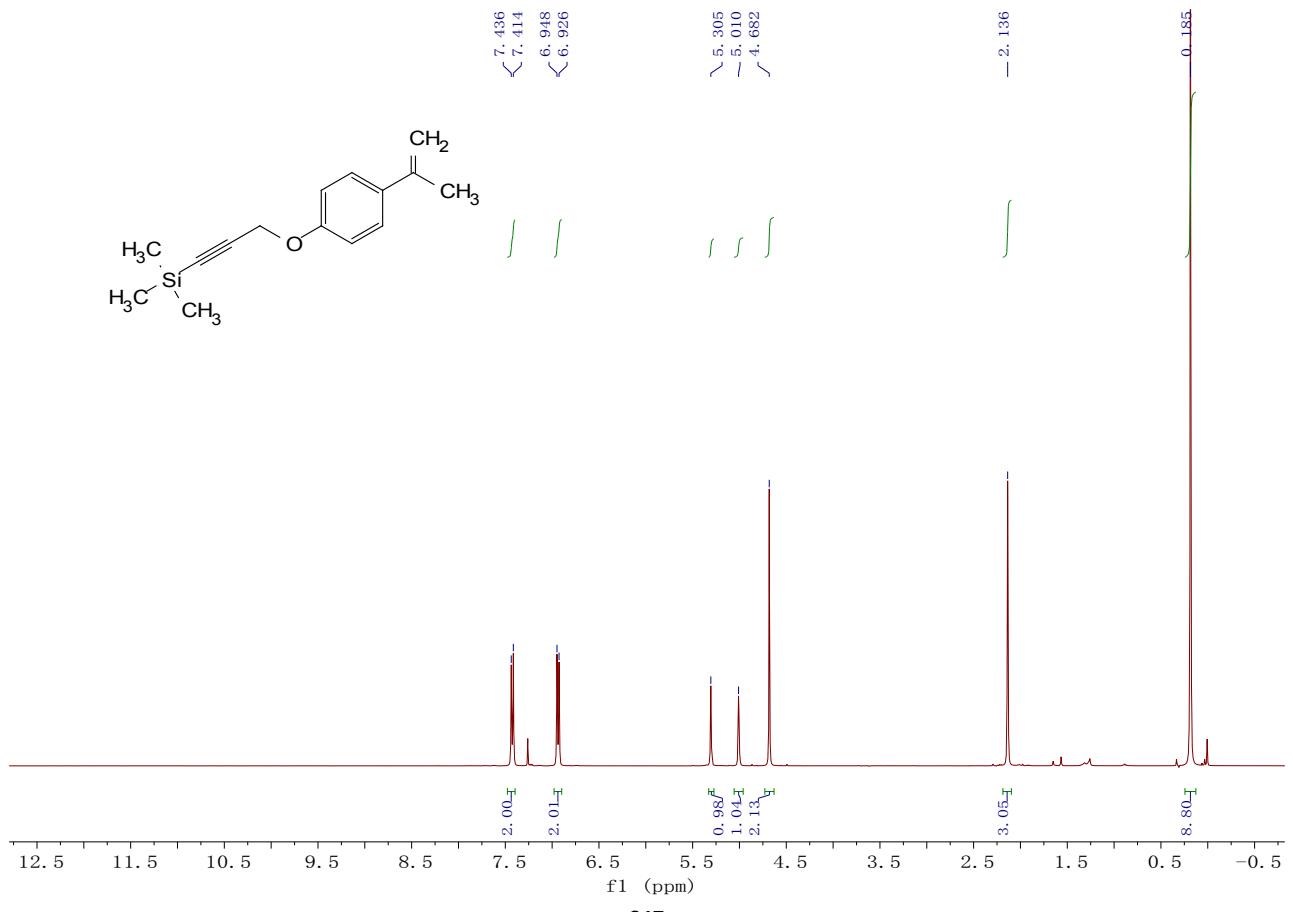


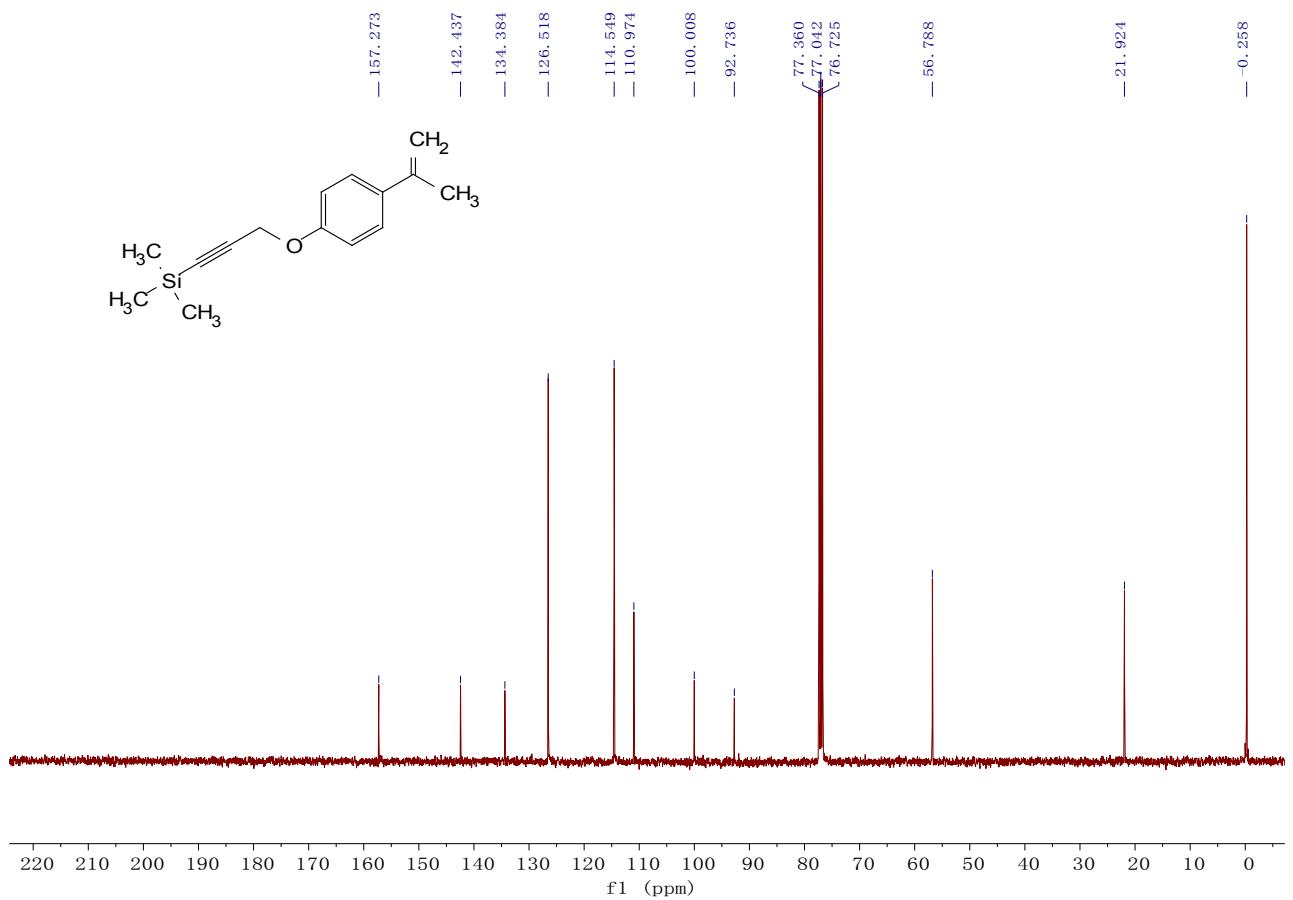
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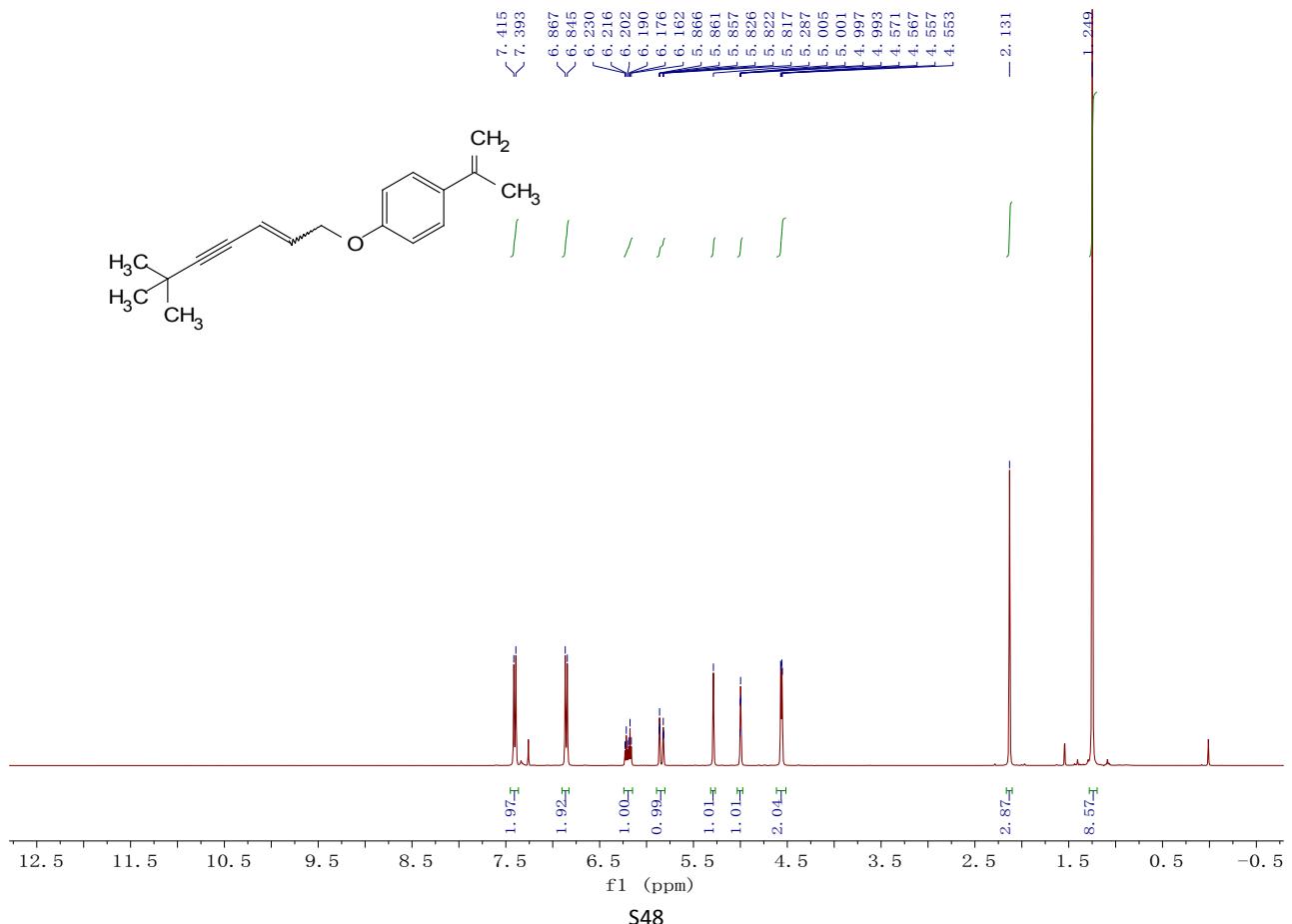


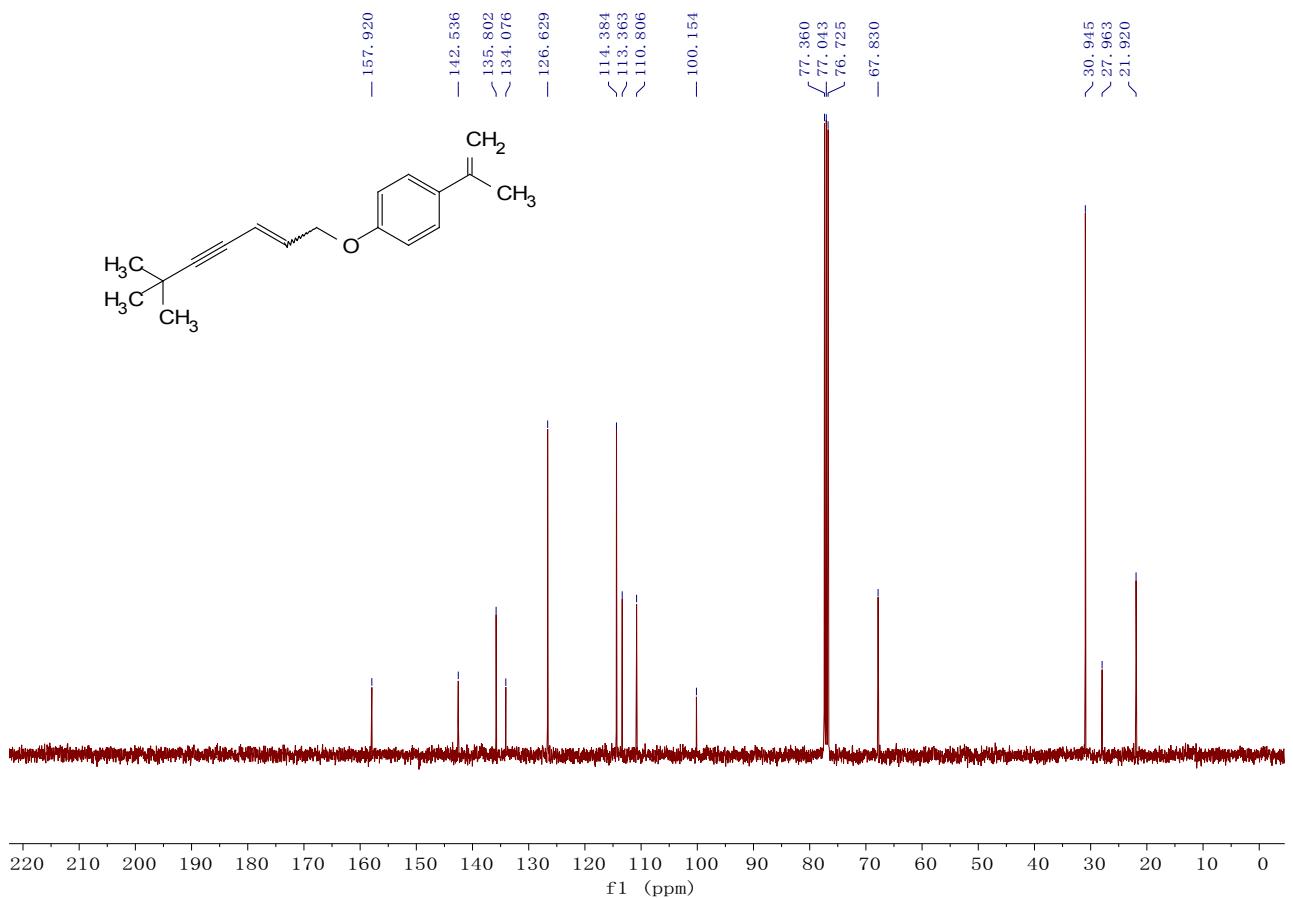
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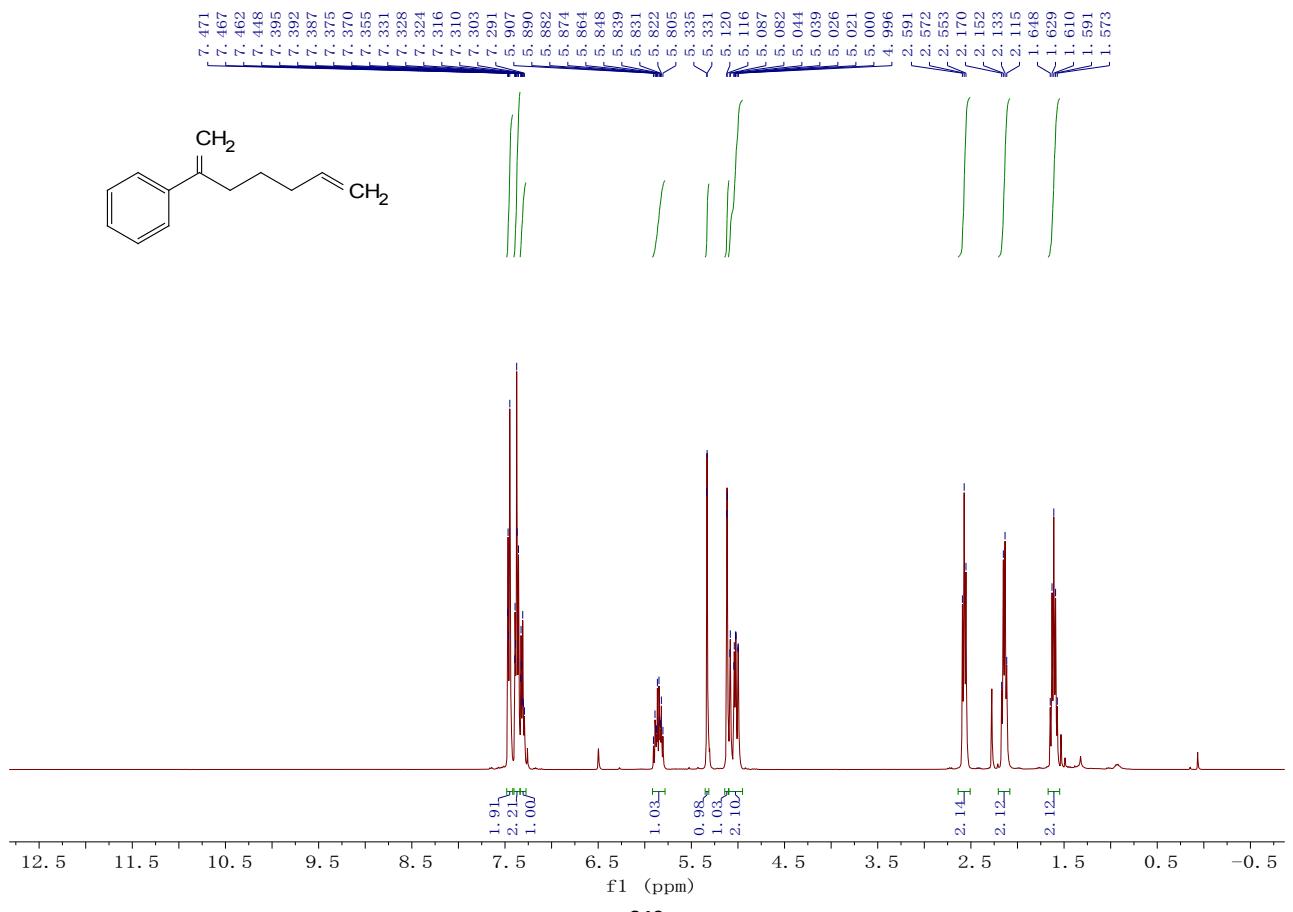


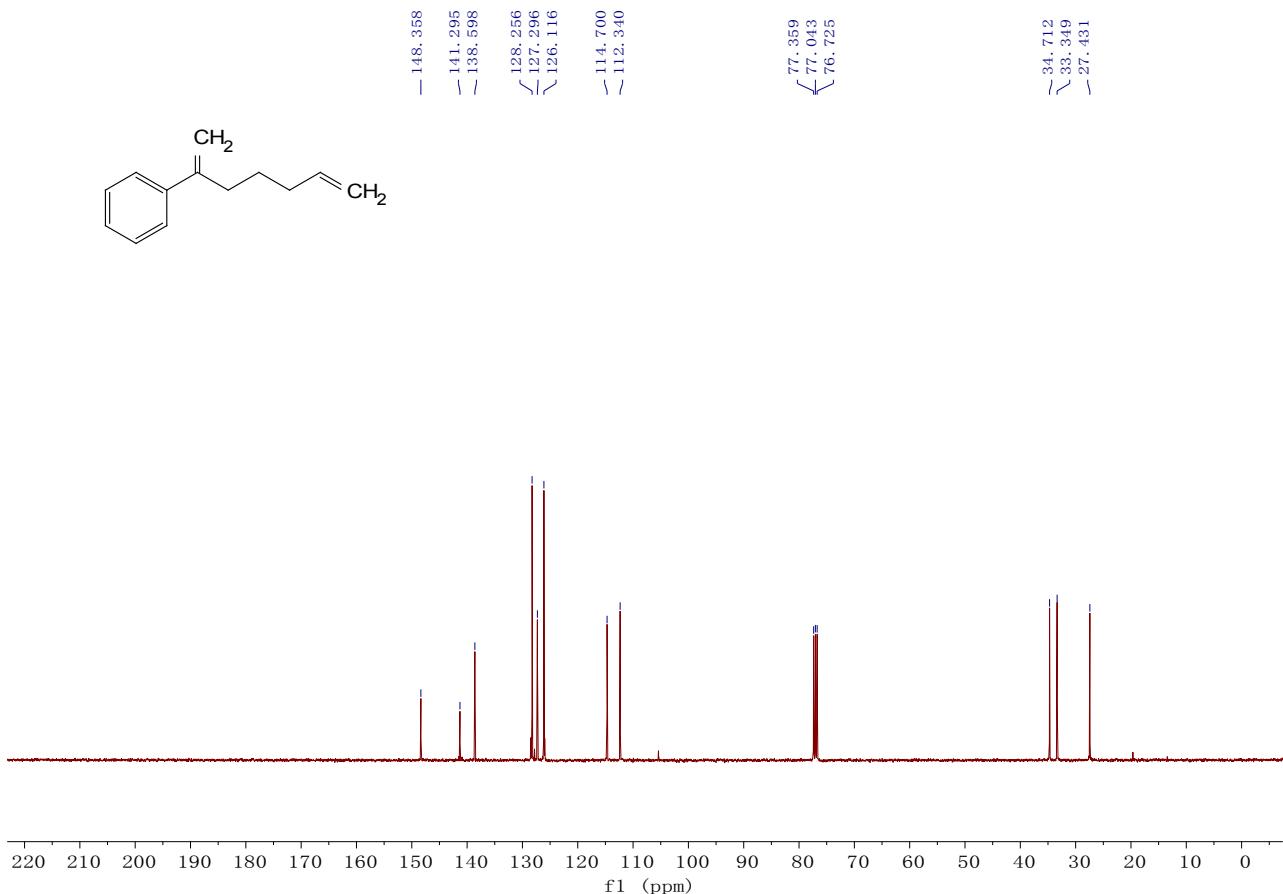
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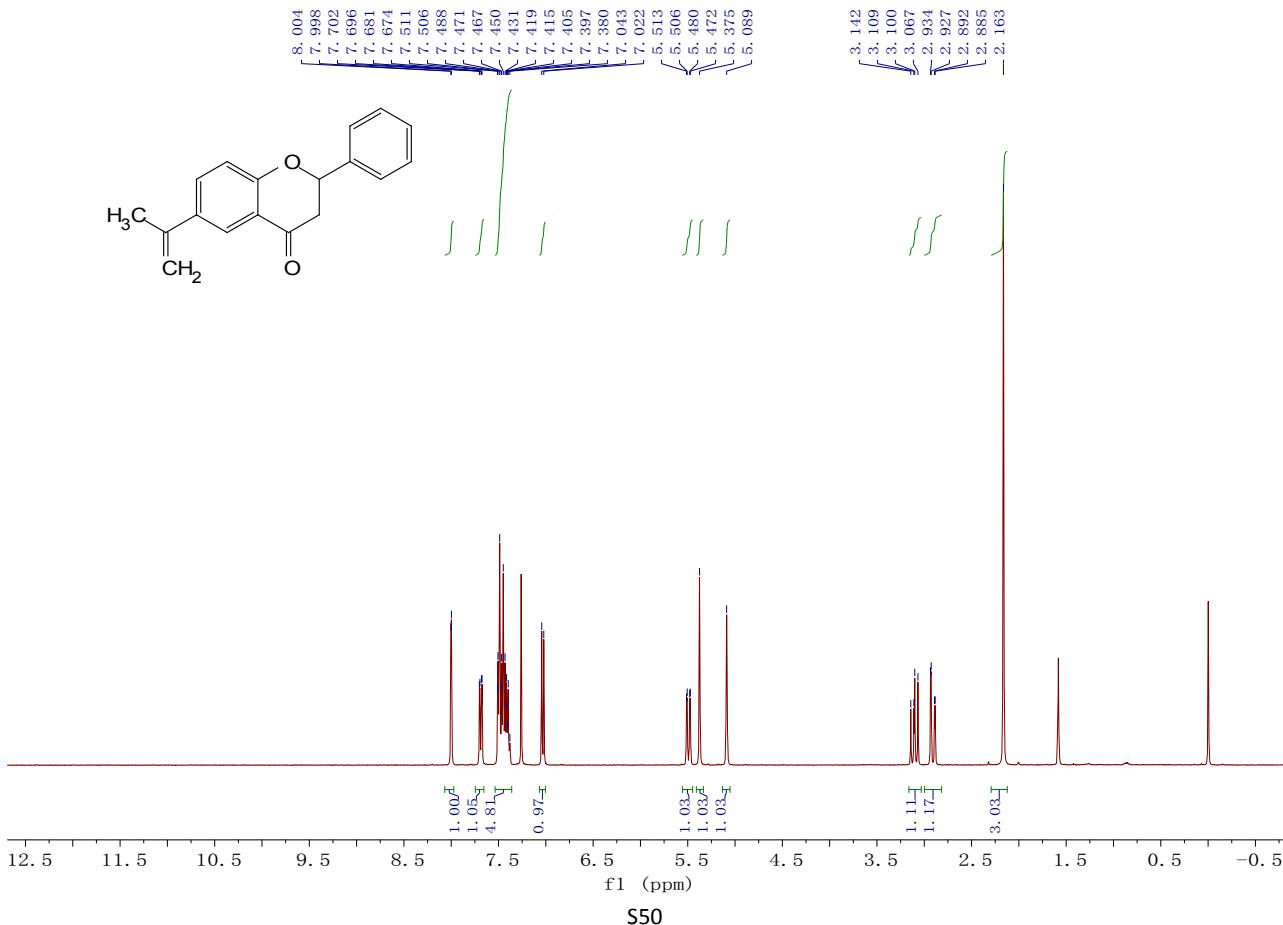


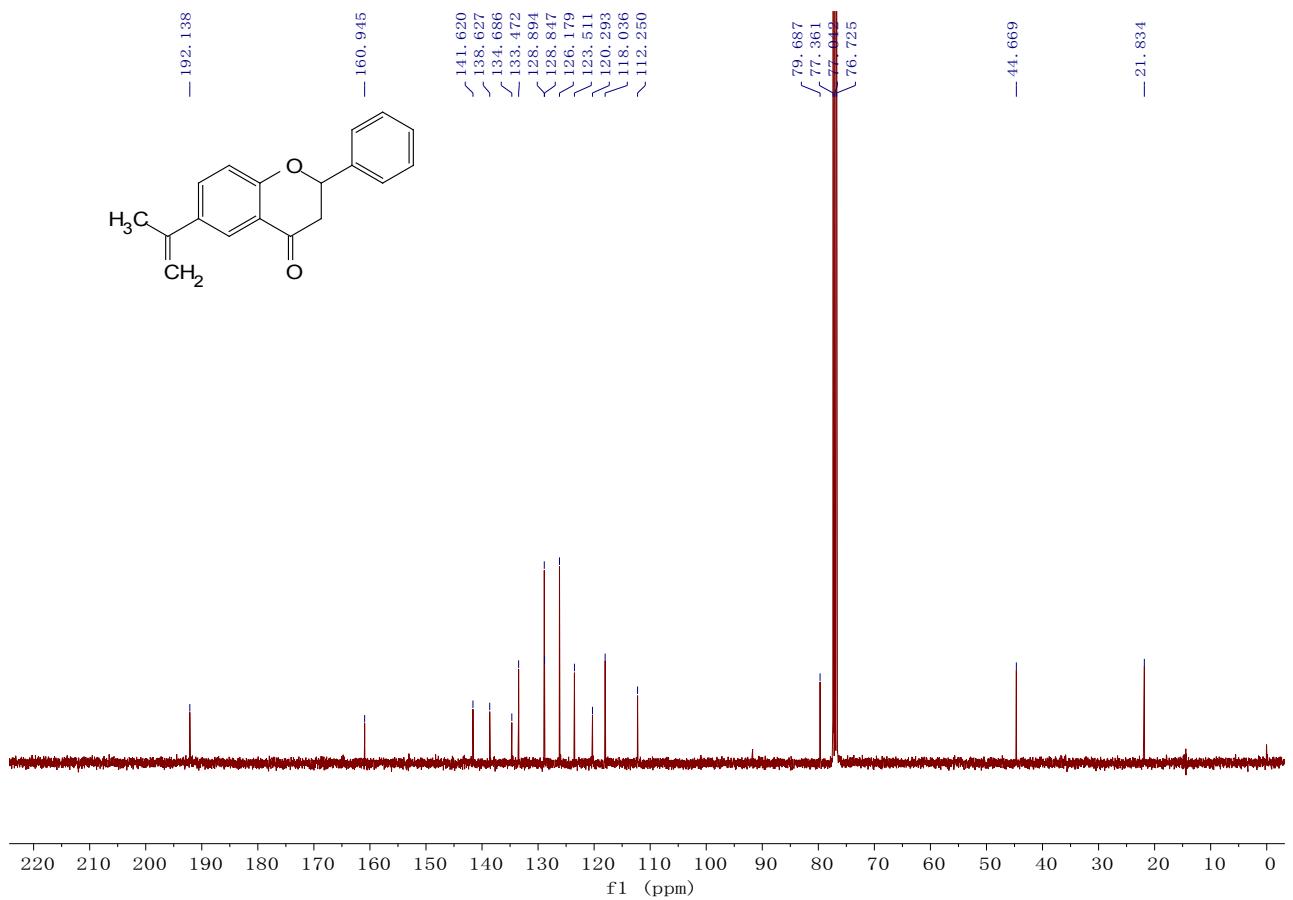
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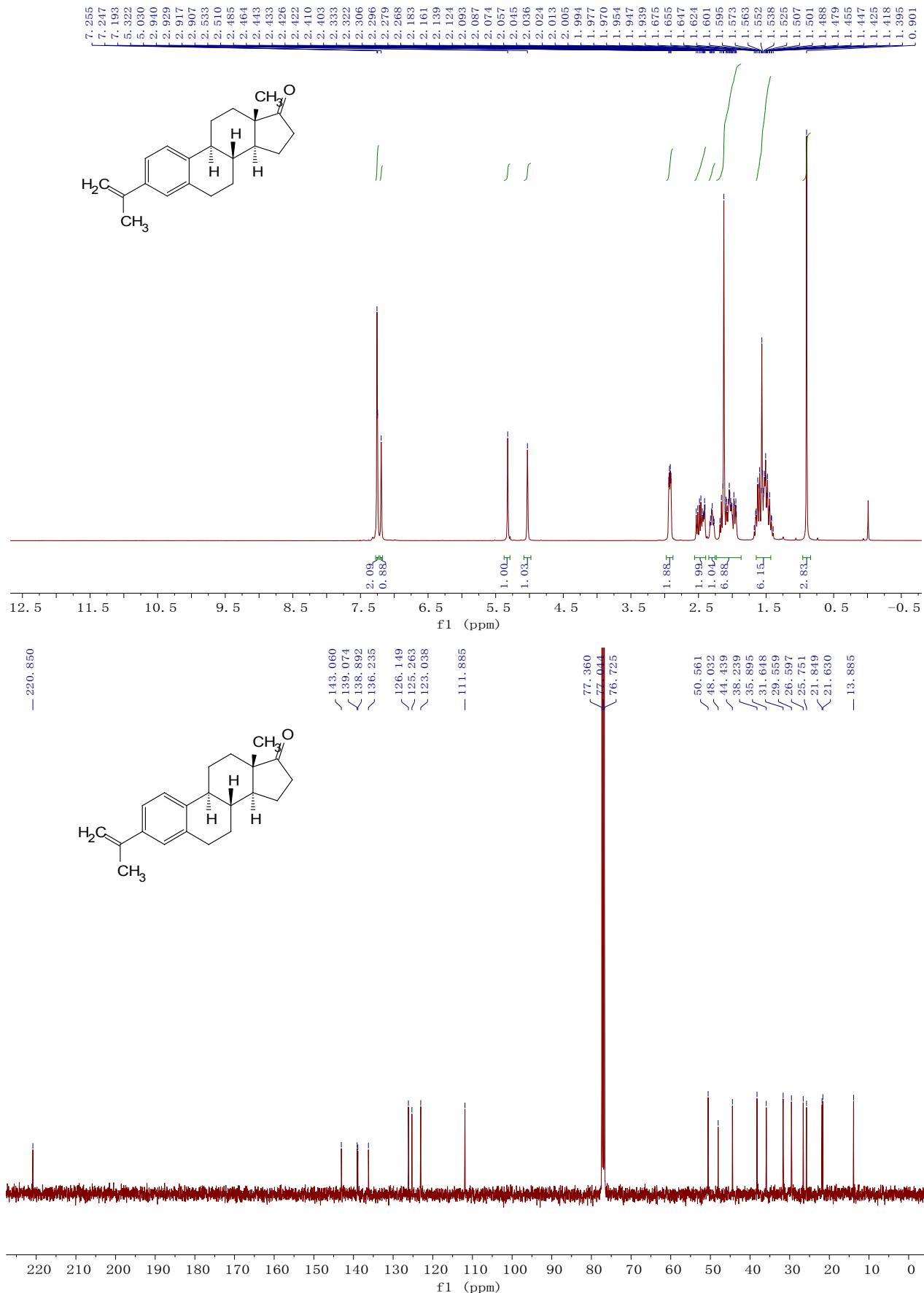


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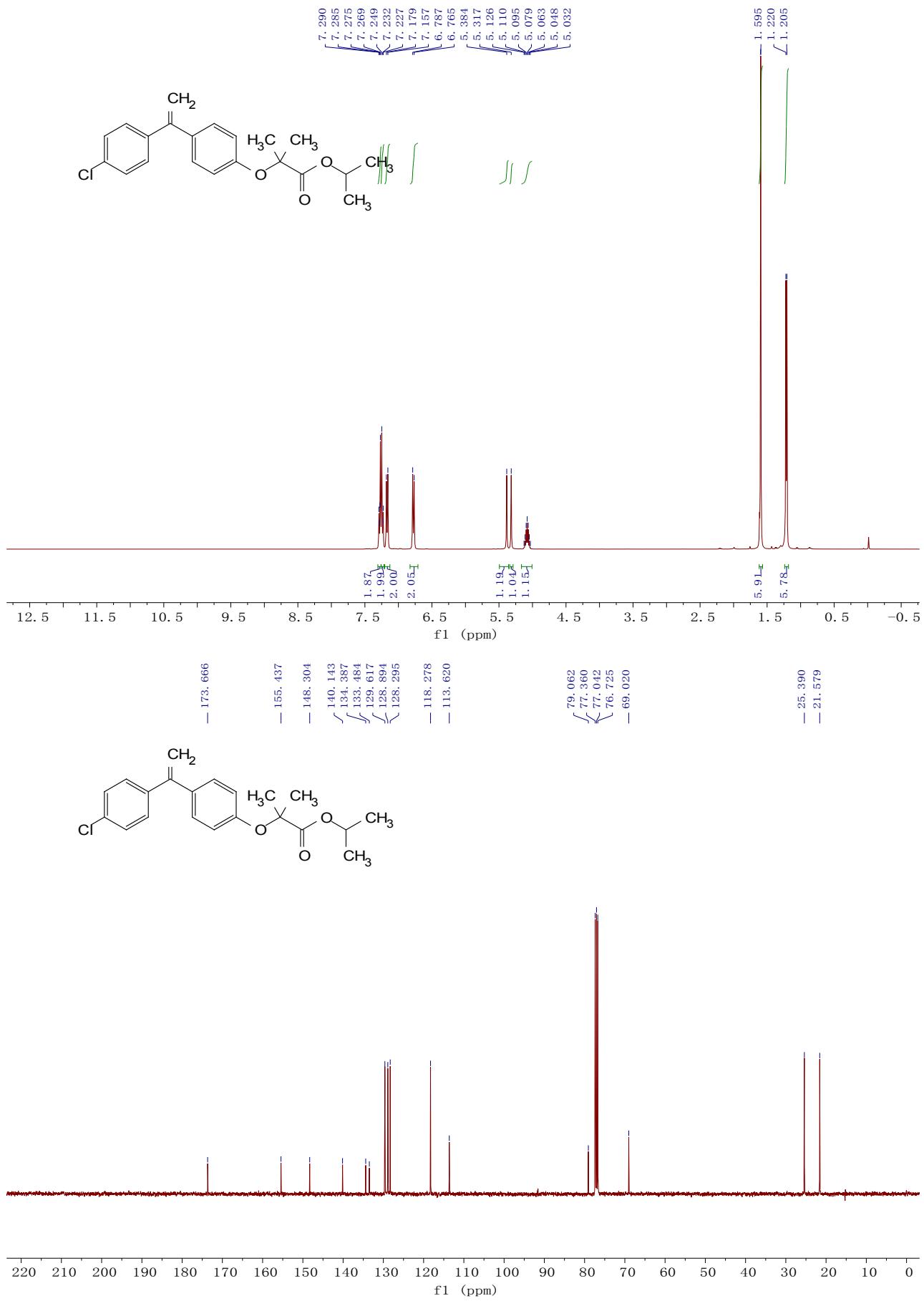




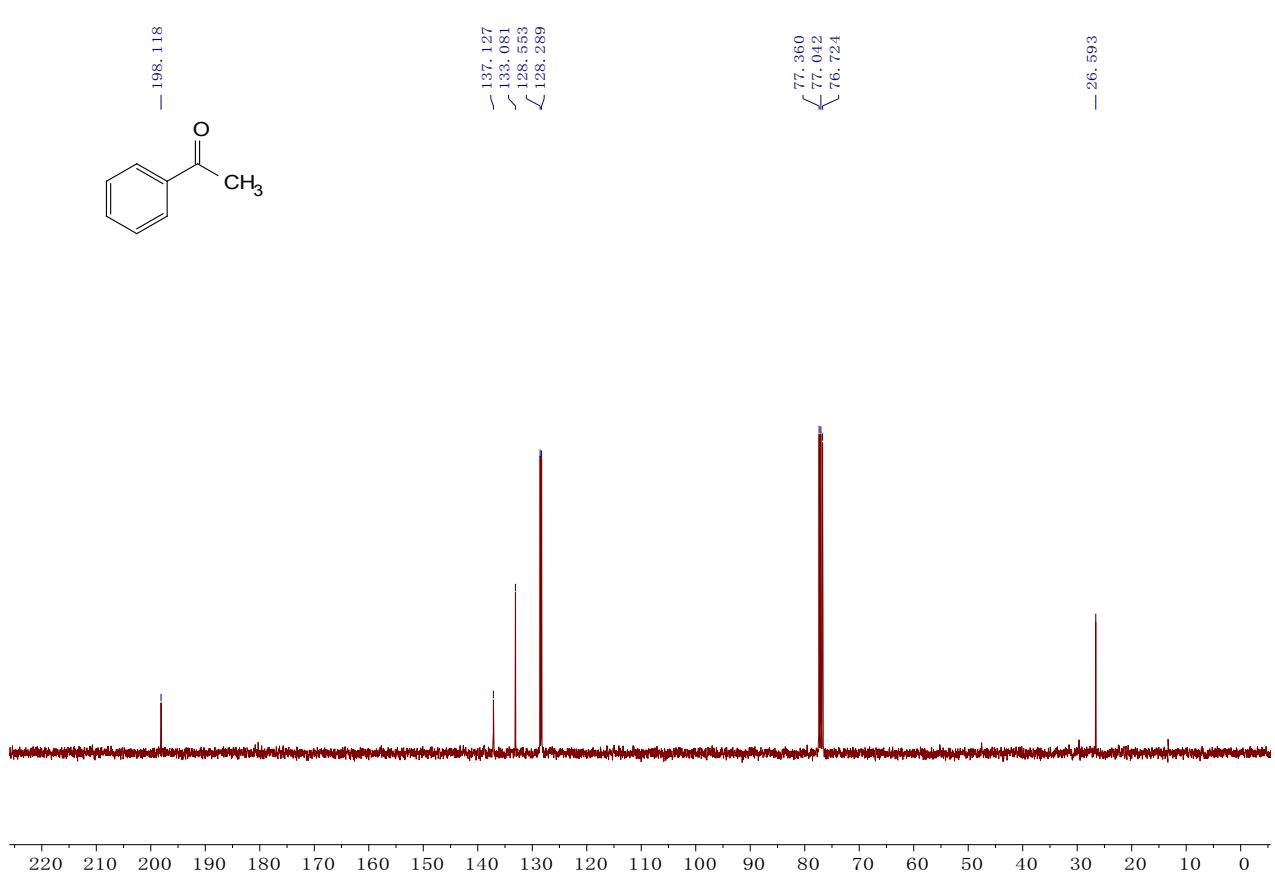
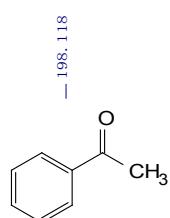
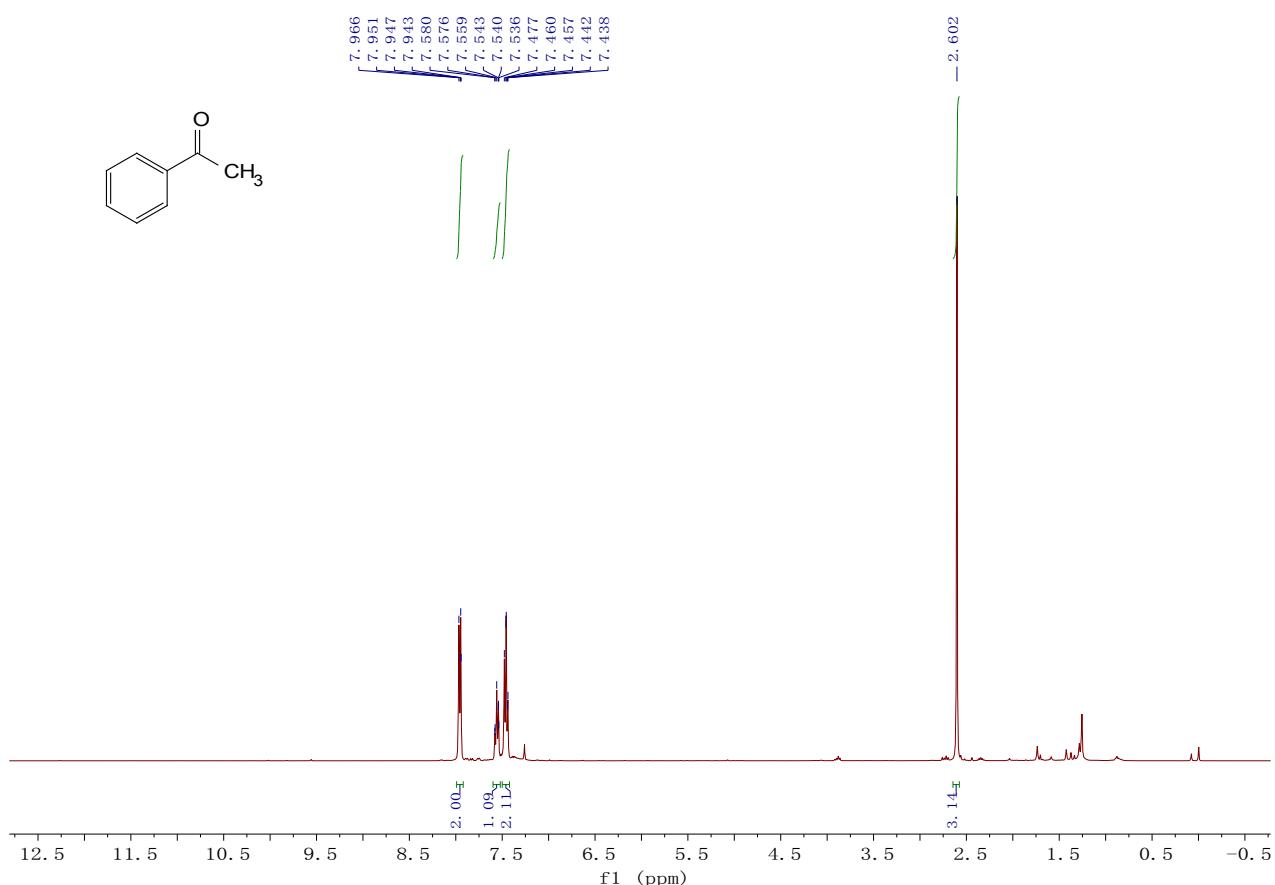
(8R,9S,13S,14S)-13-Methyl-3-(prop-1-en-2-yl)-6,7,8,9,11,12,13,14,15,16-decahydro-17H-cyclopenta[a]phenanthren-17-one (46a)



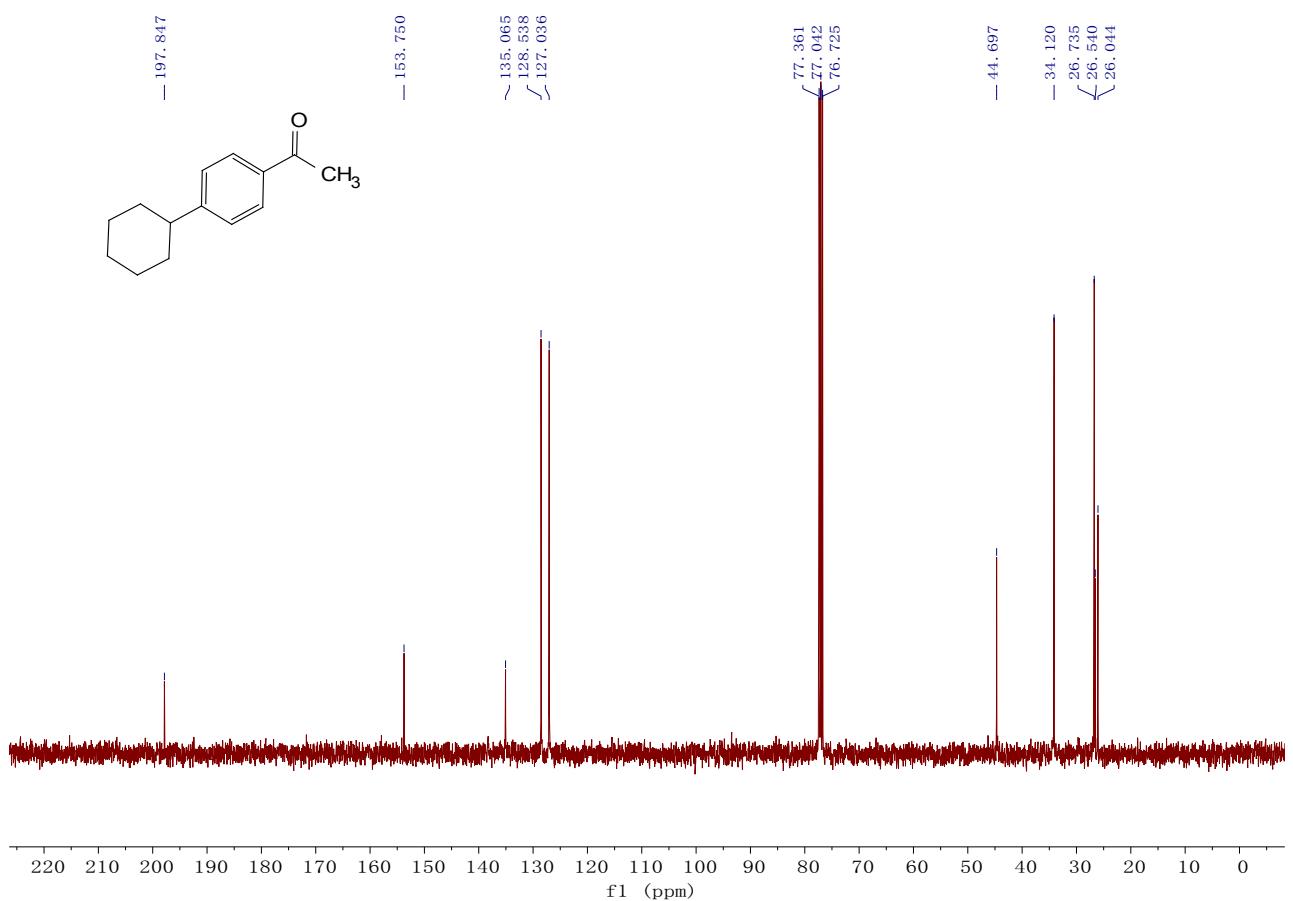
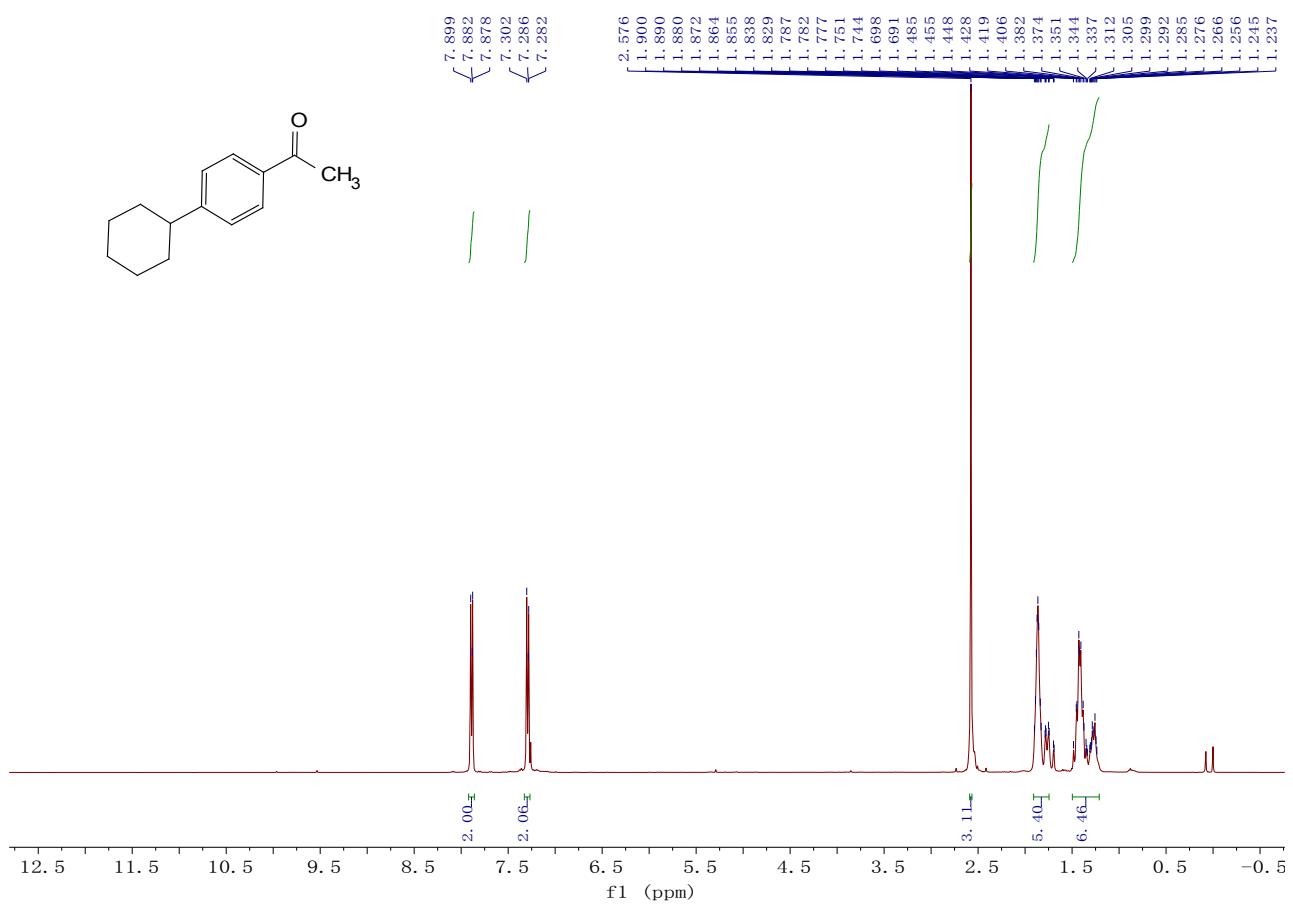
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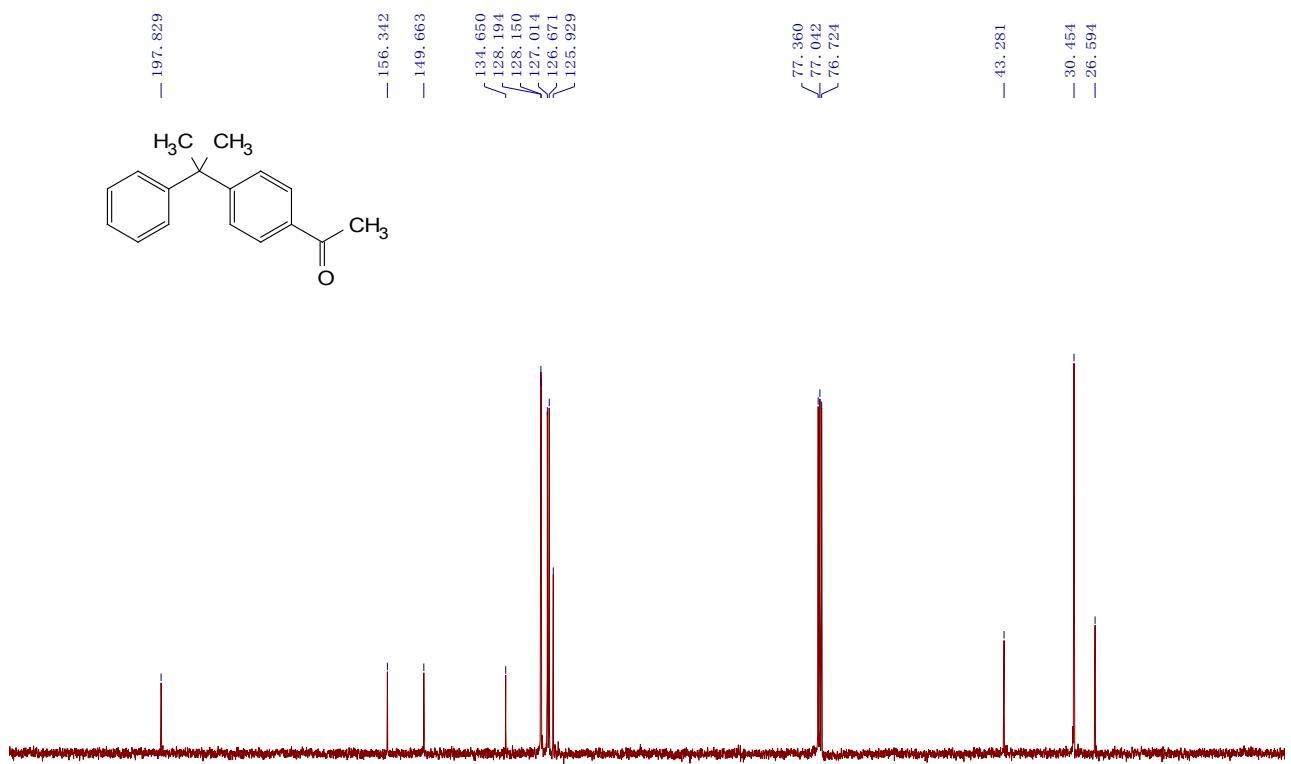
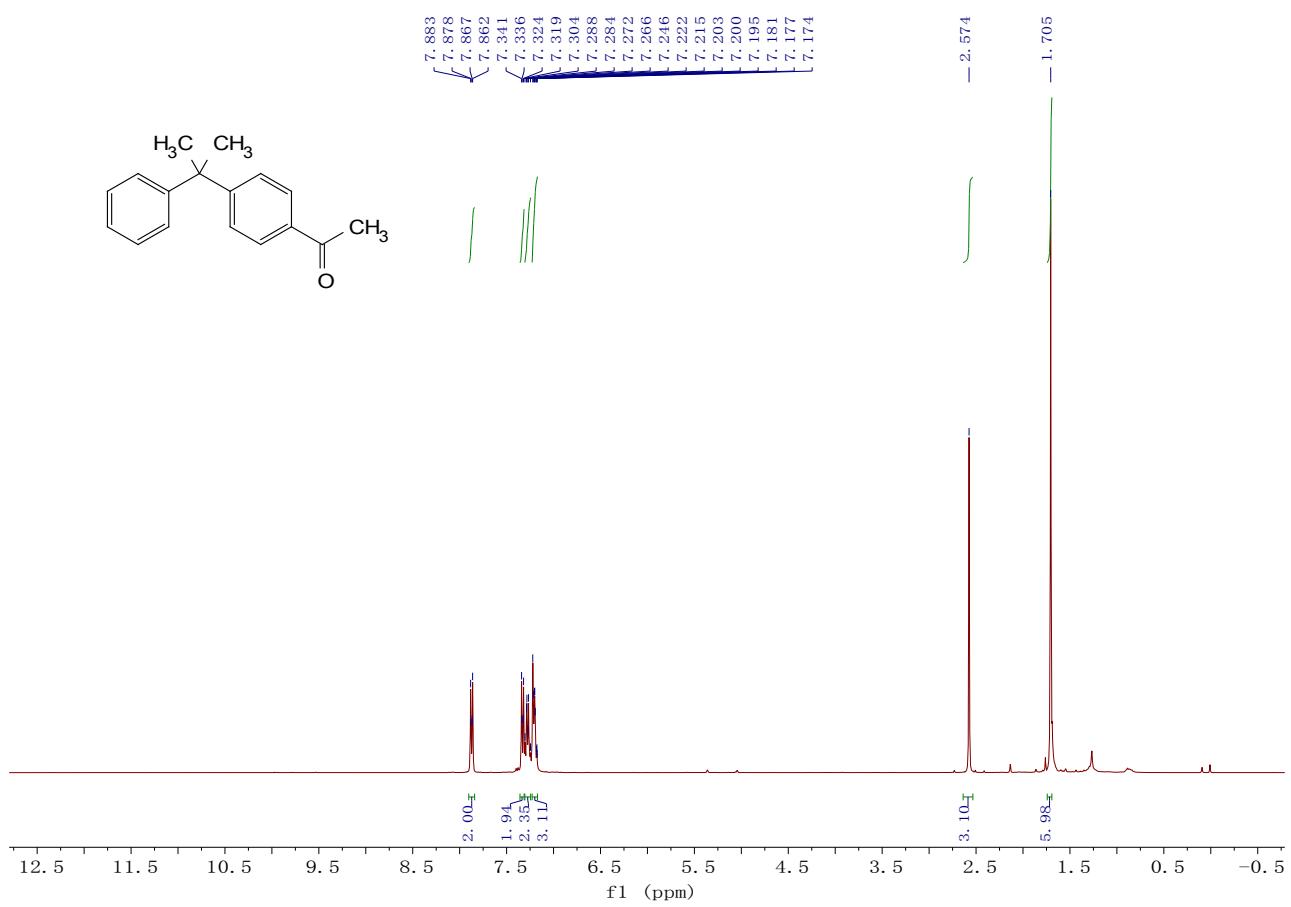
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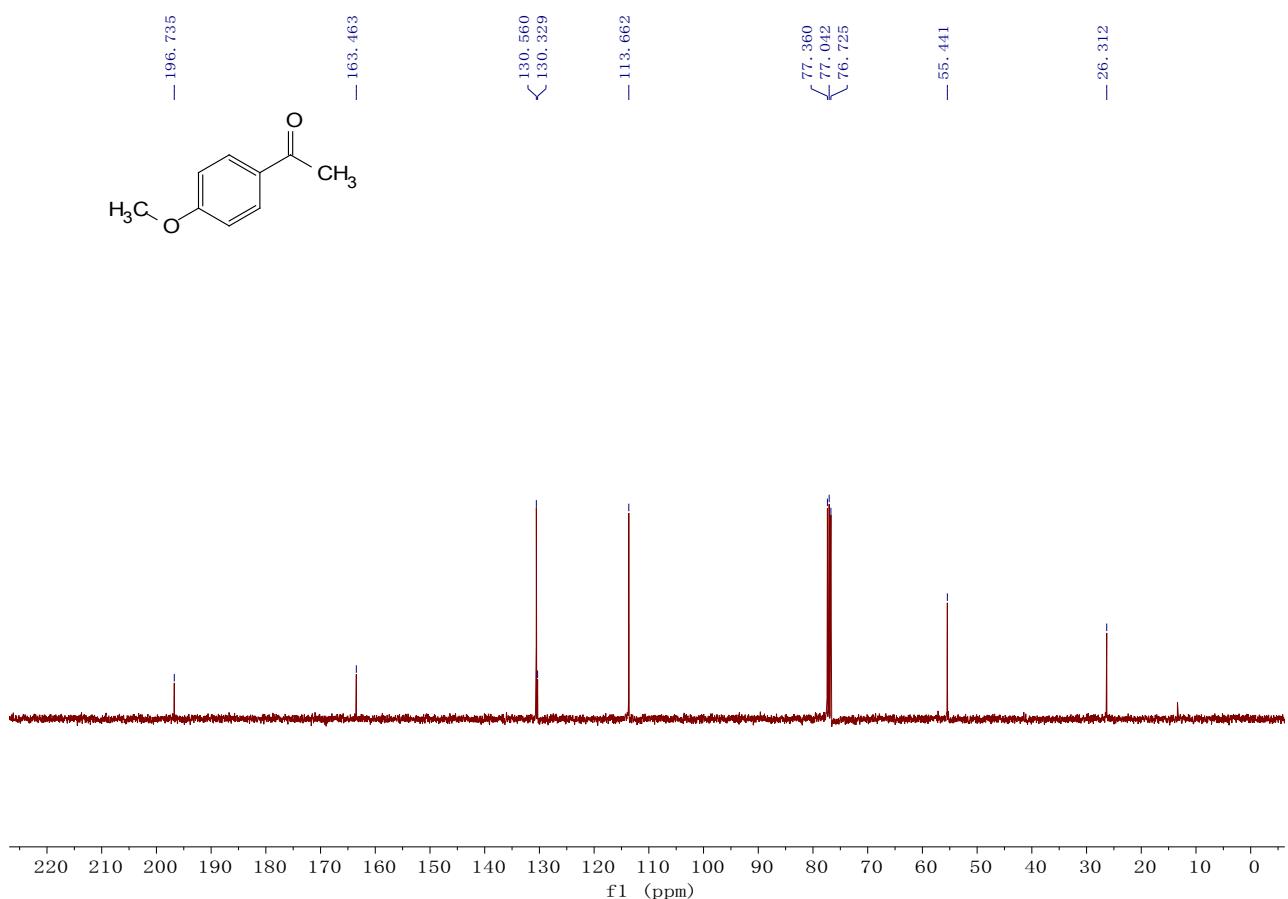
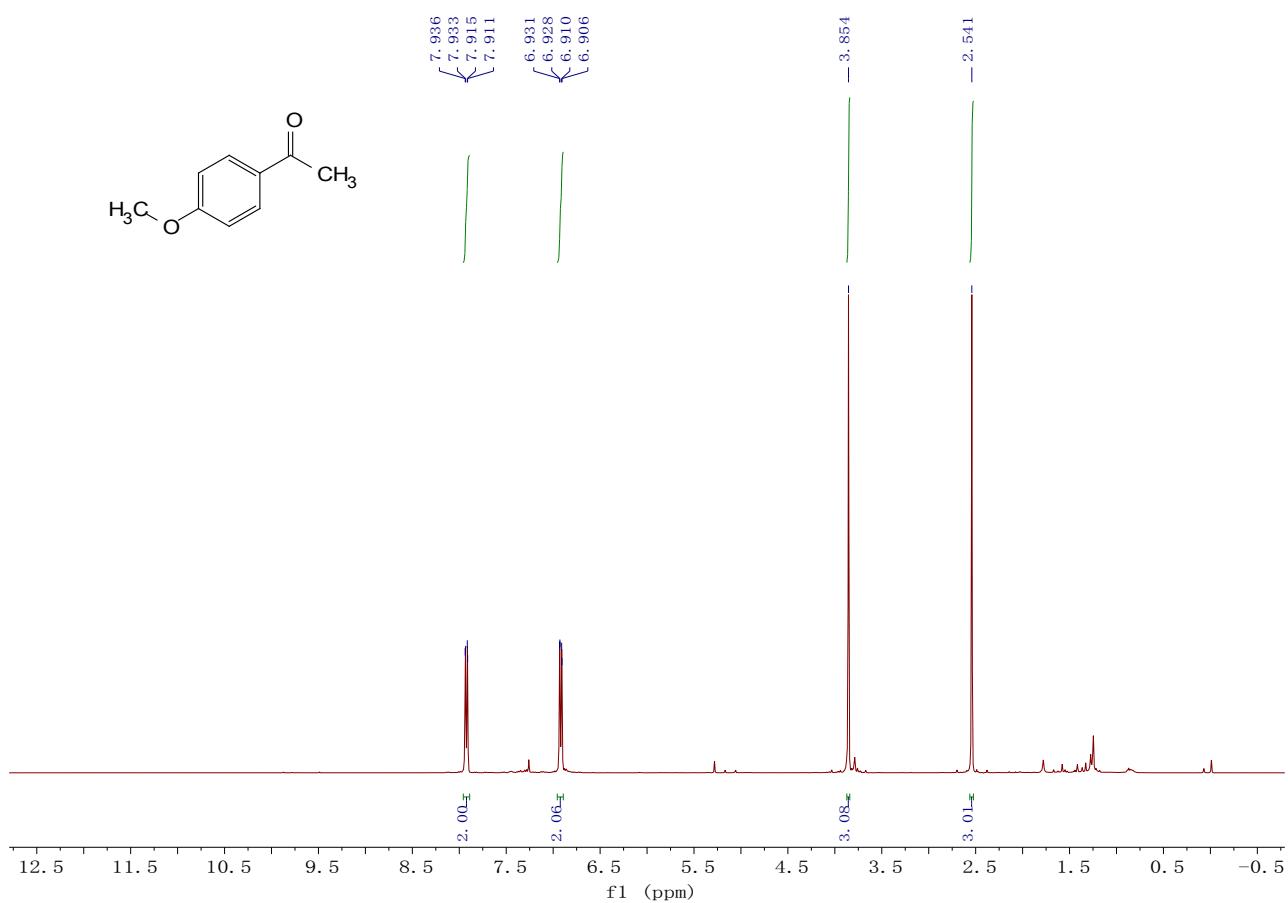
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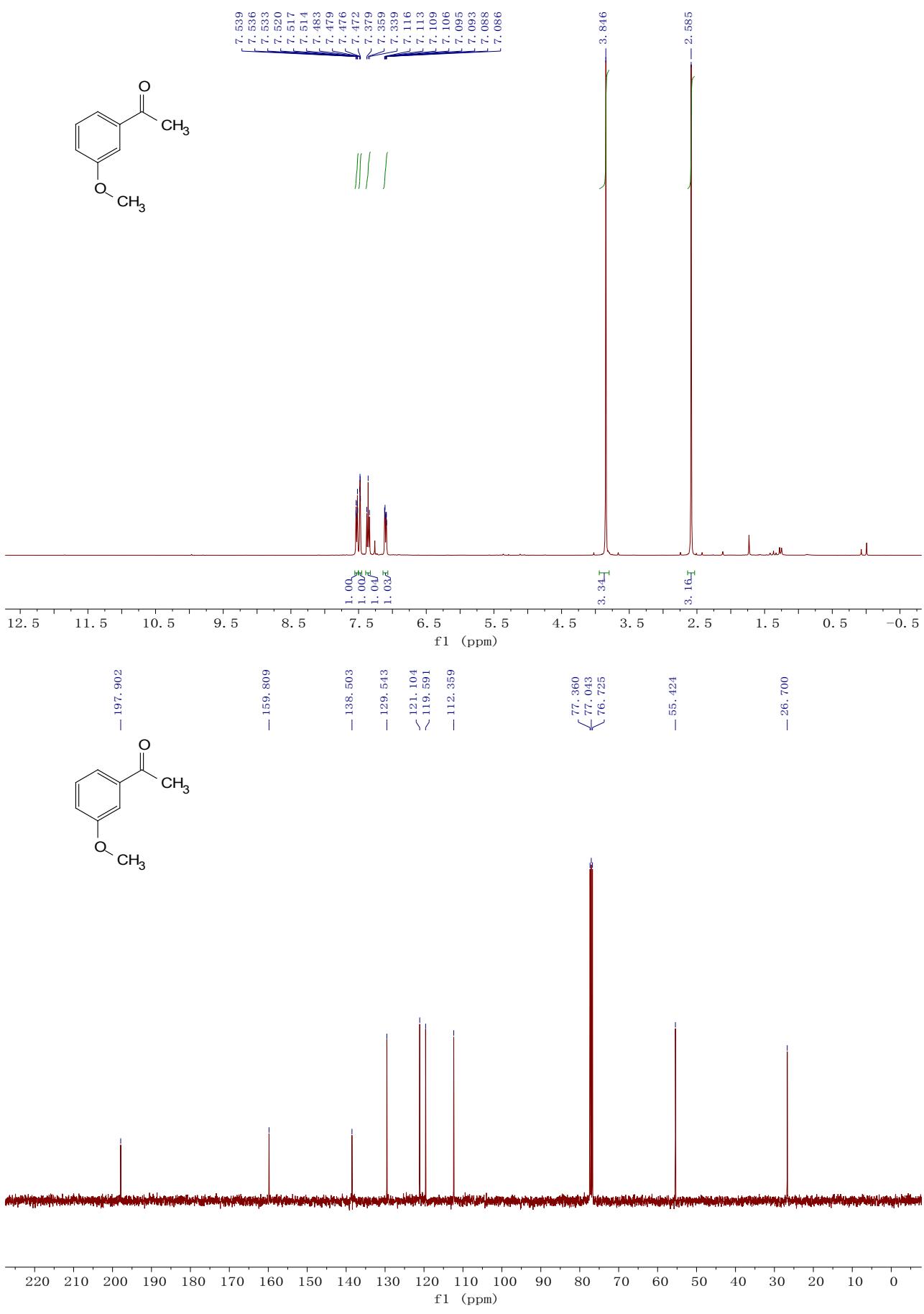
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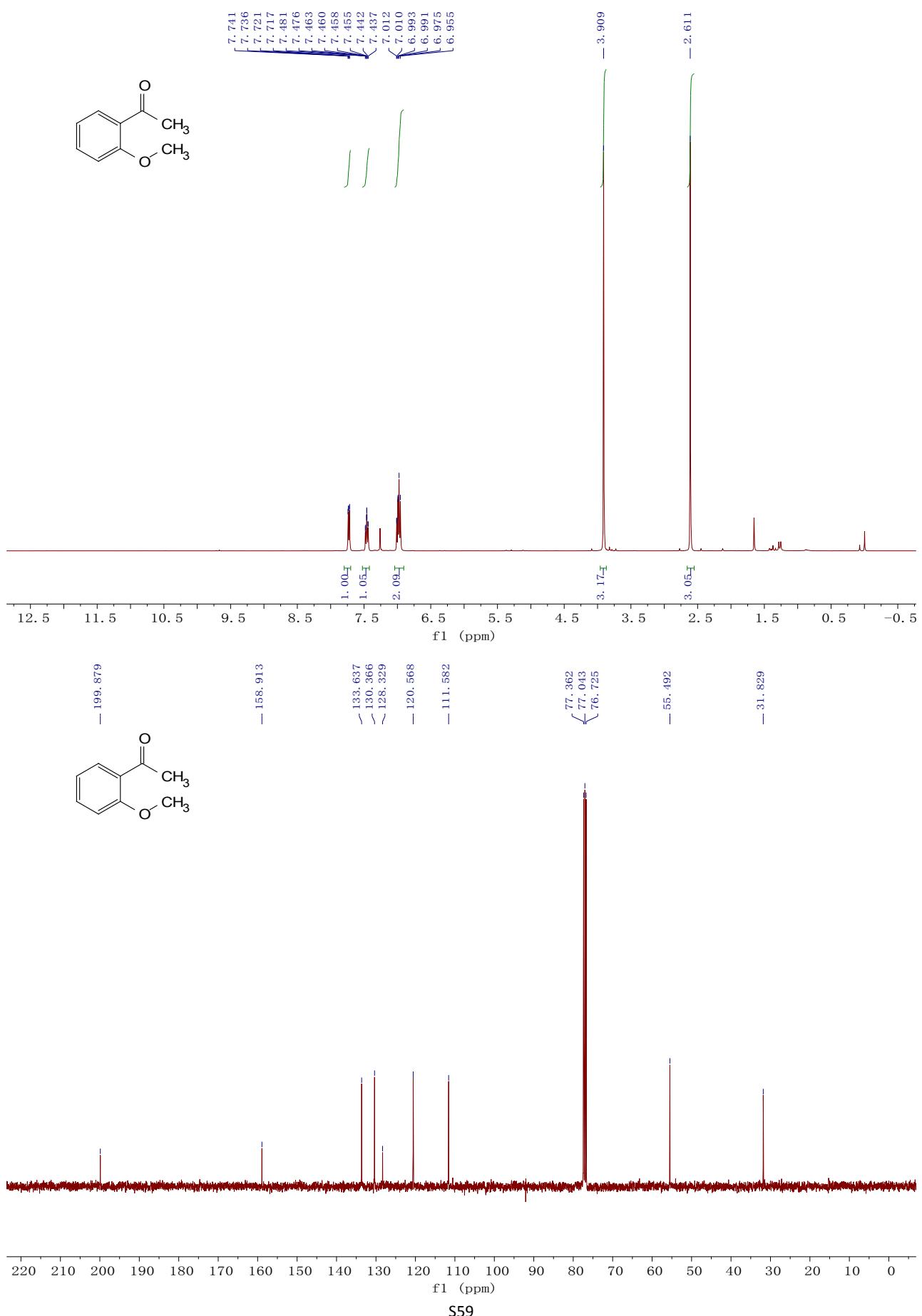
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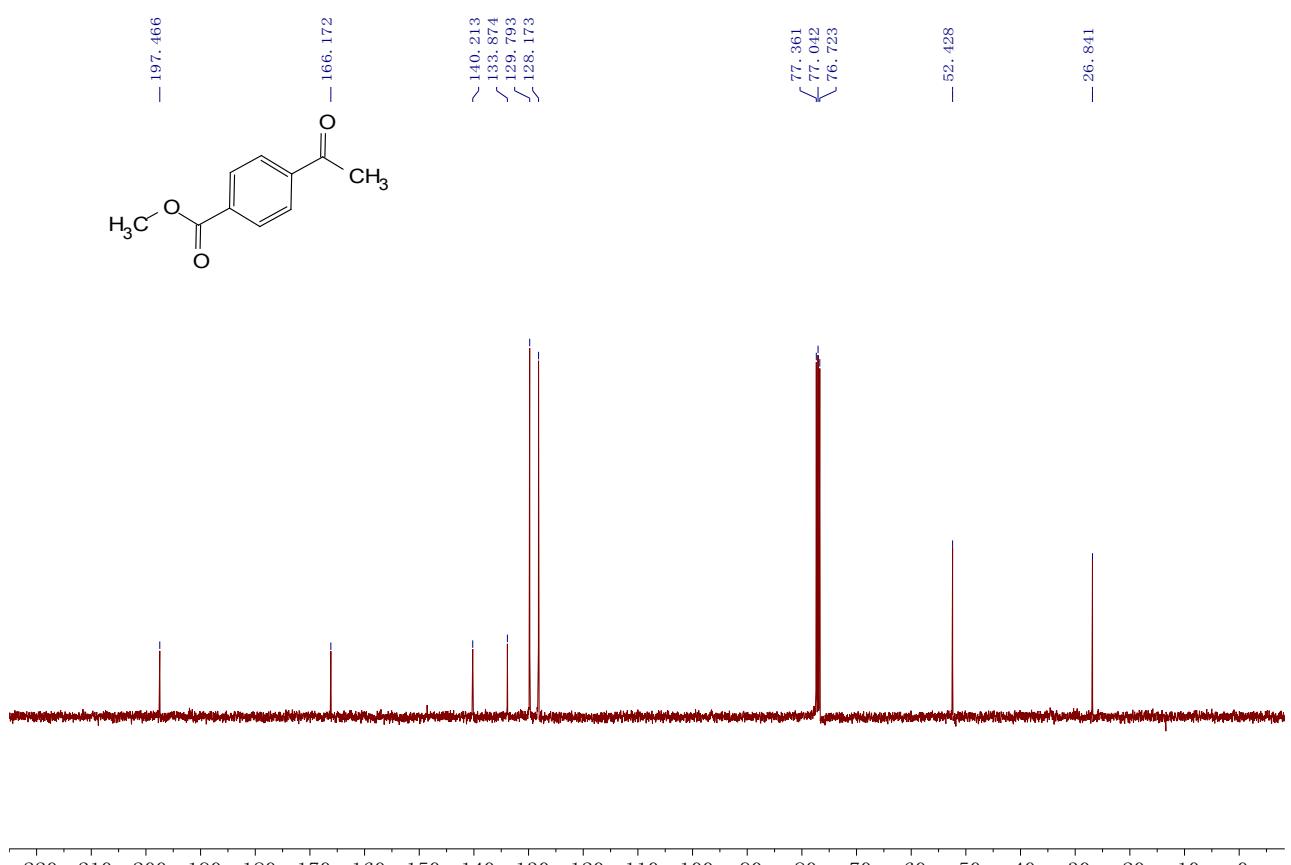
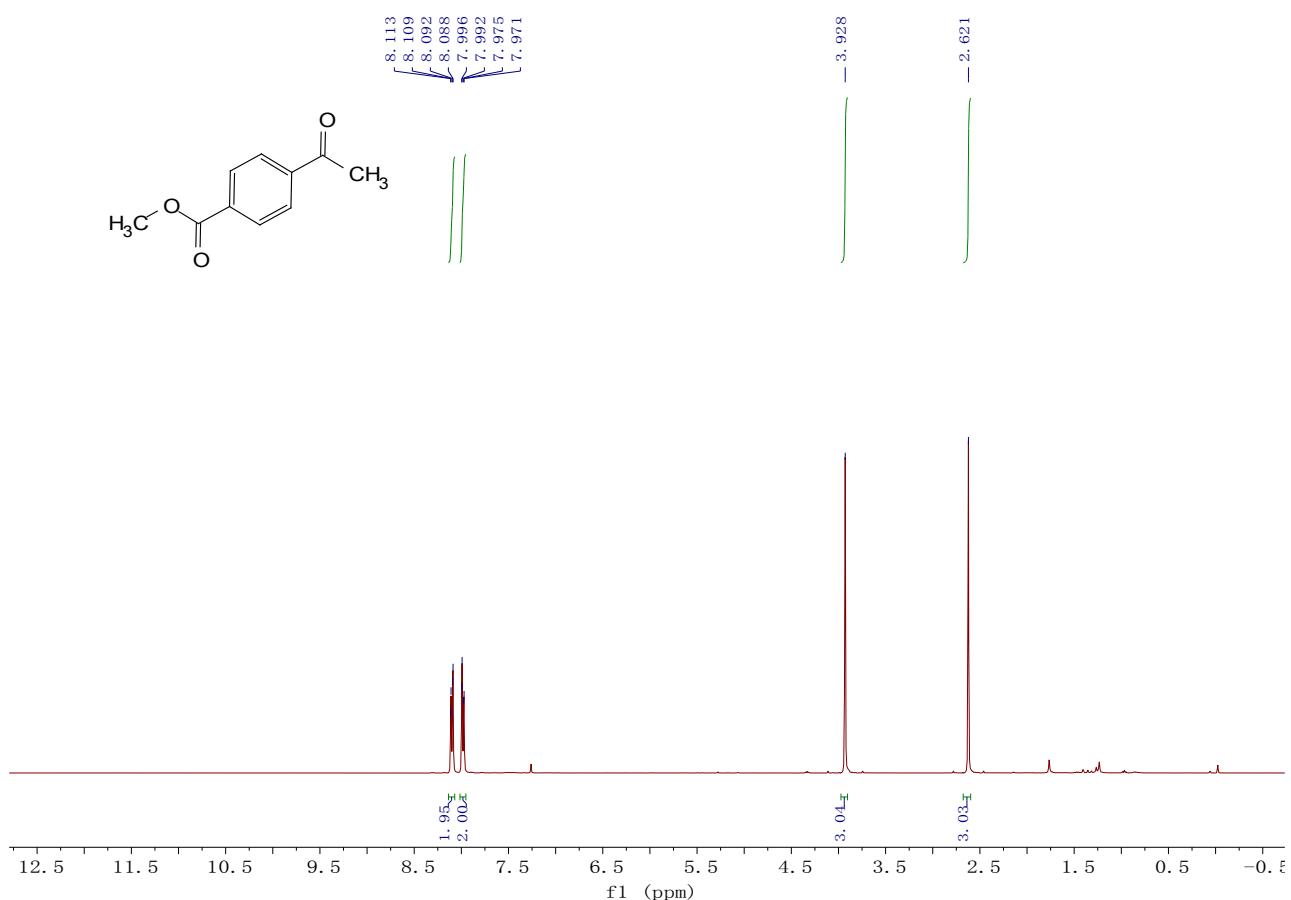
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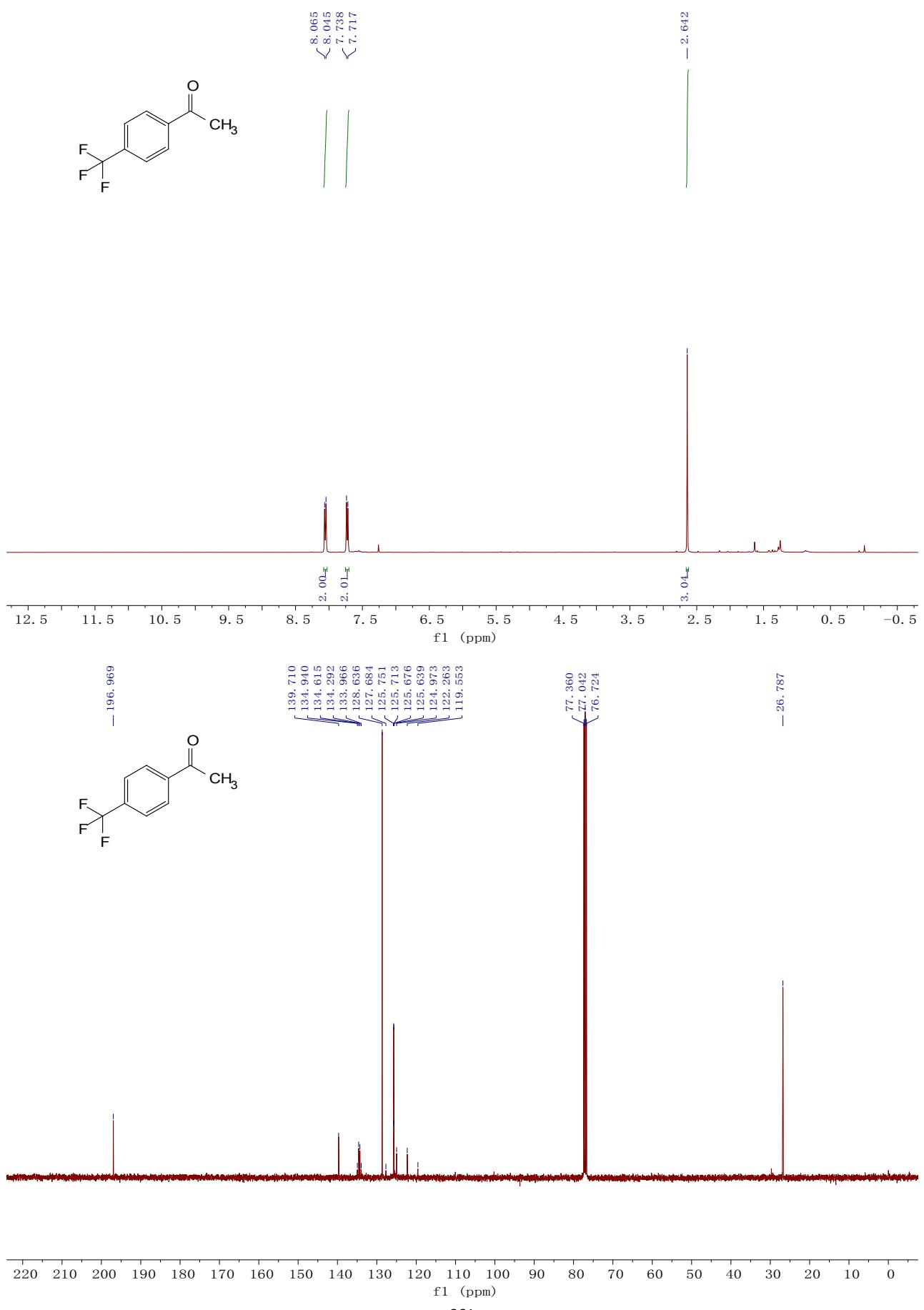
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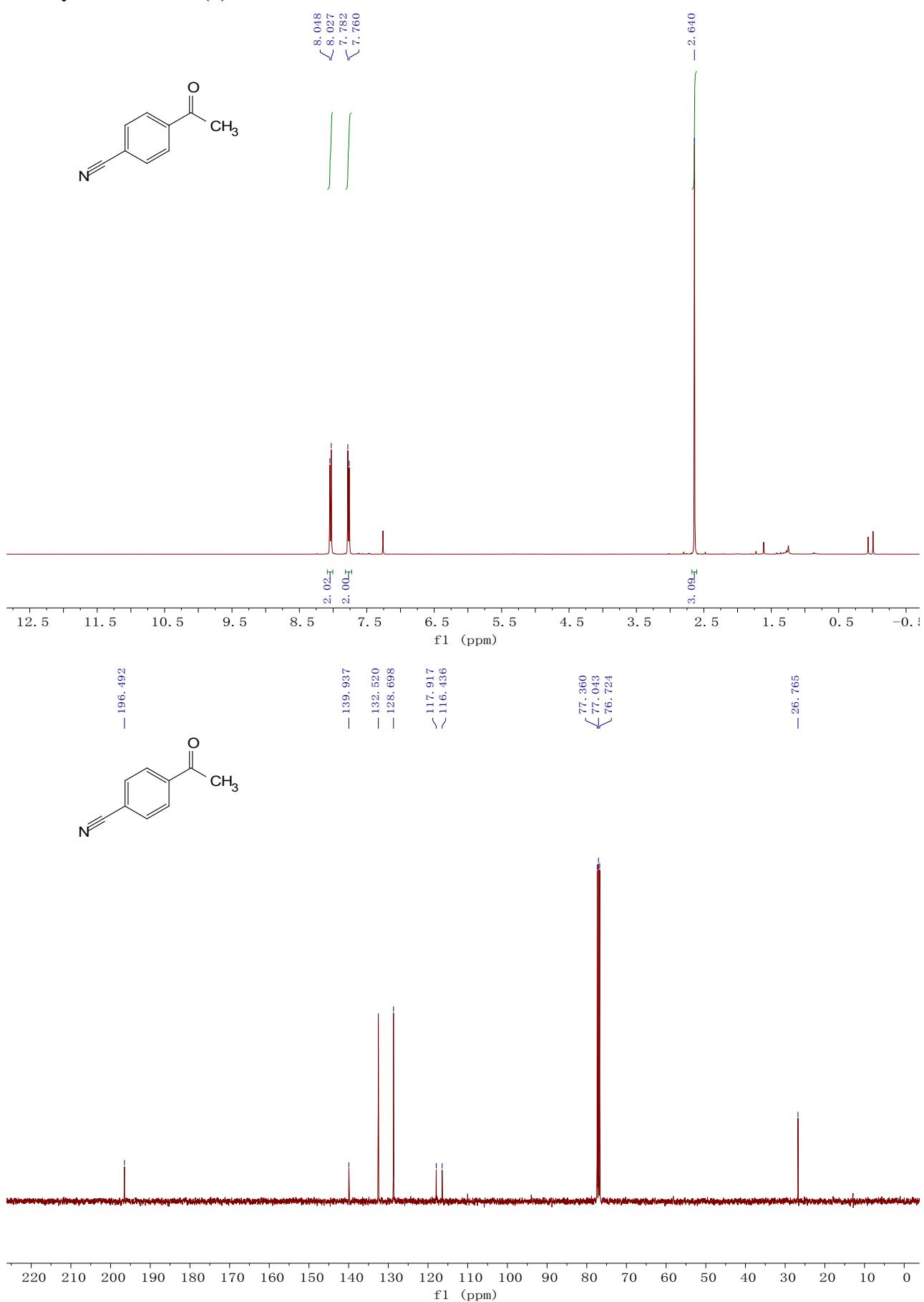
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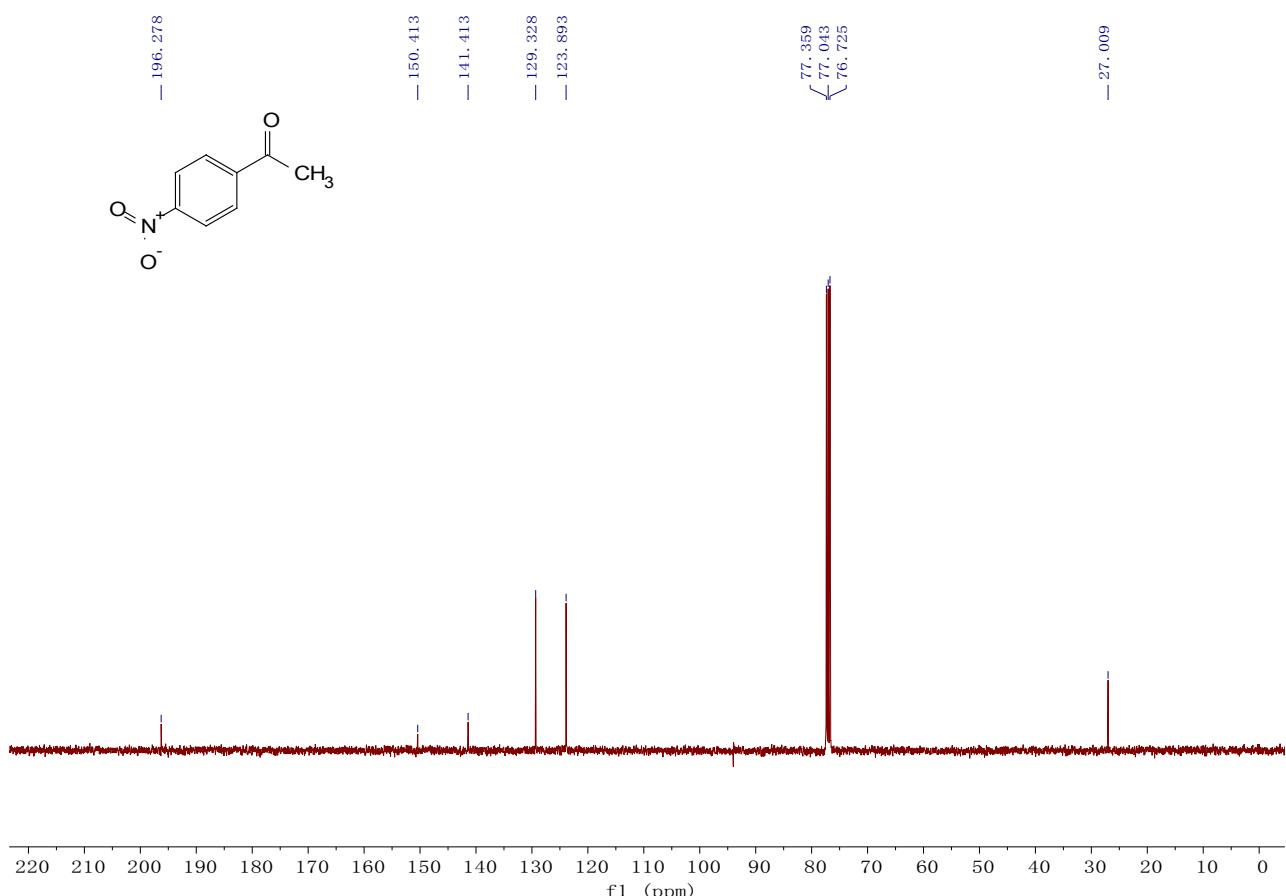
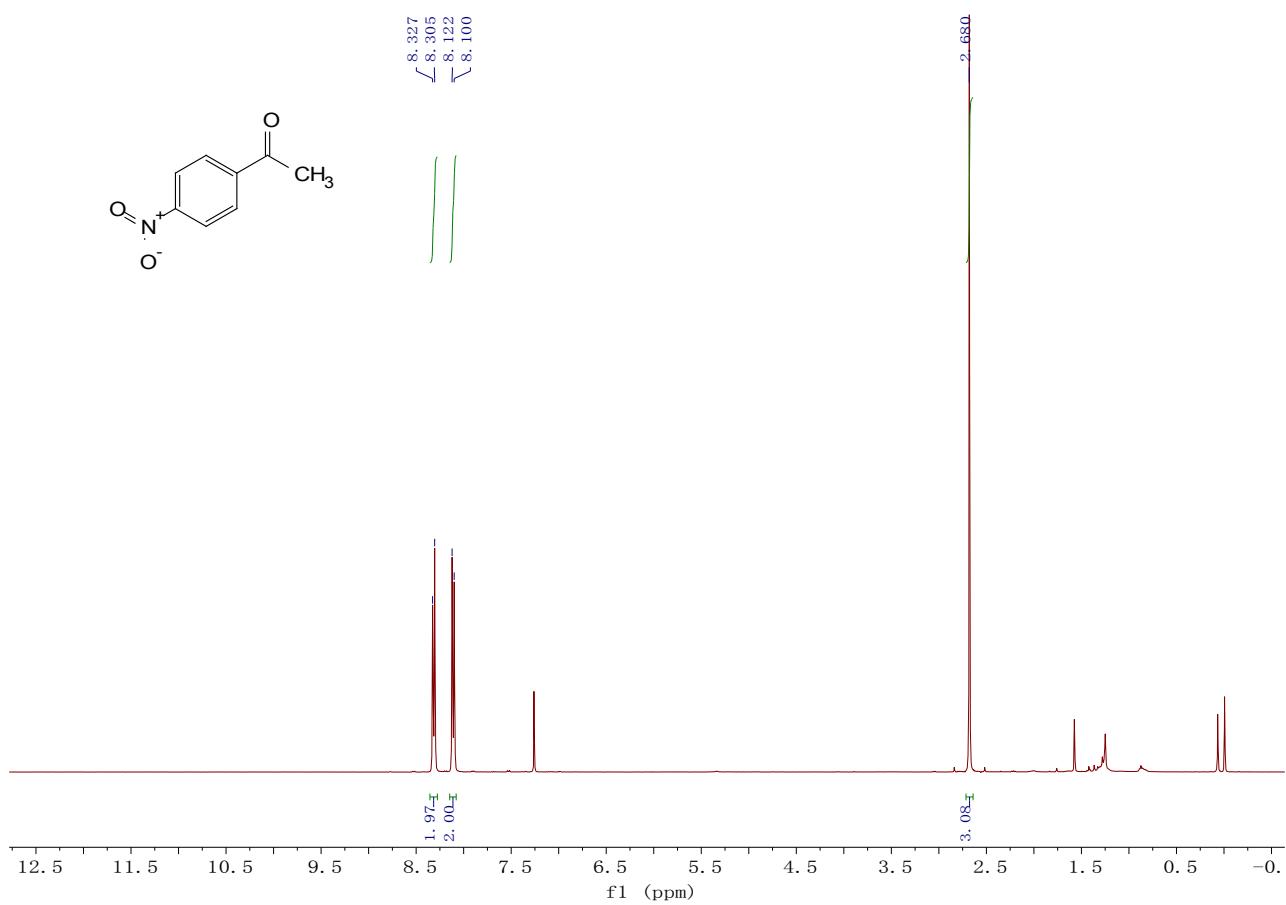
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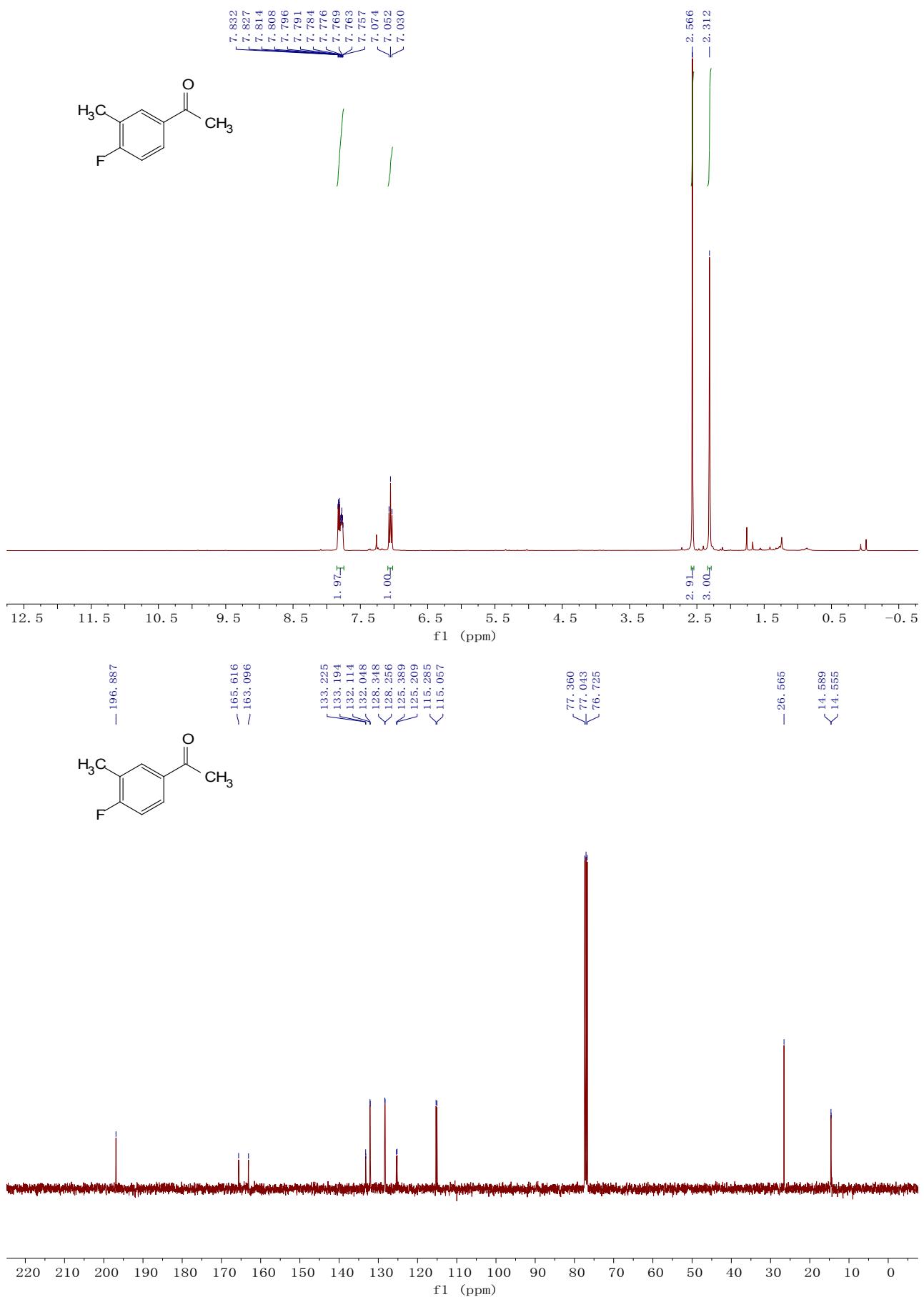
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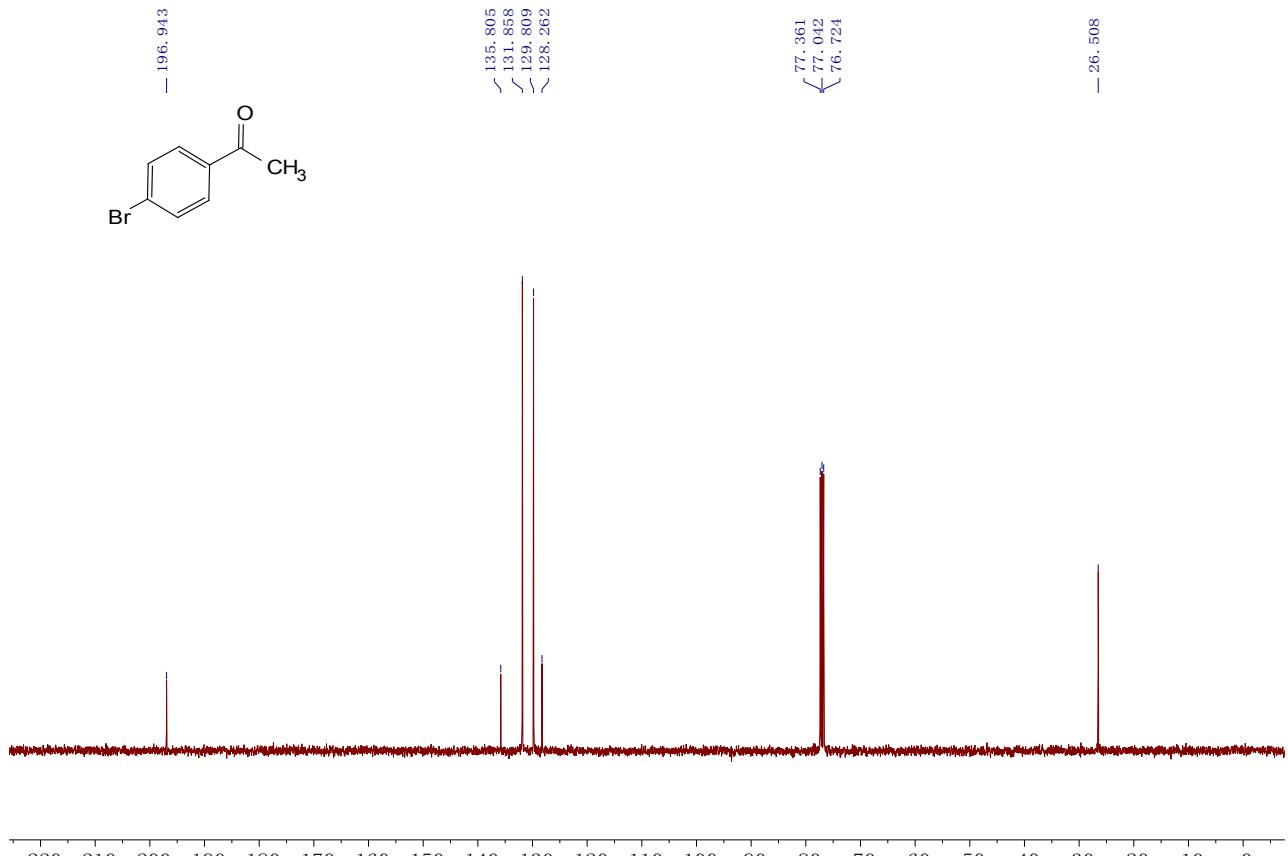
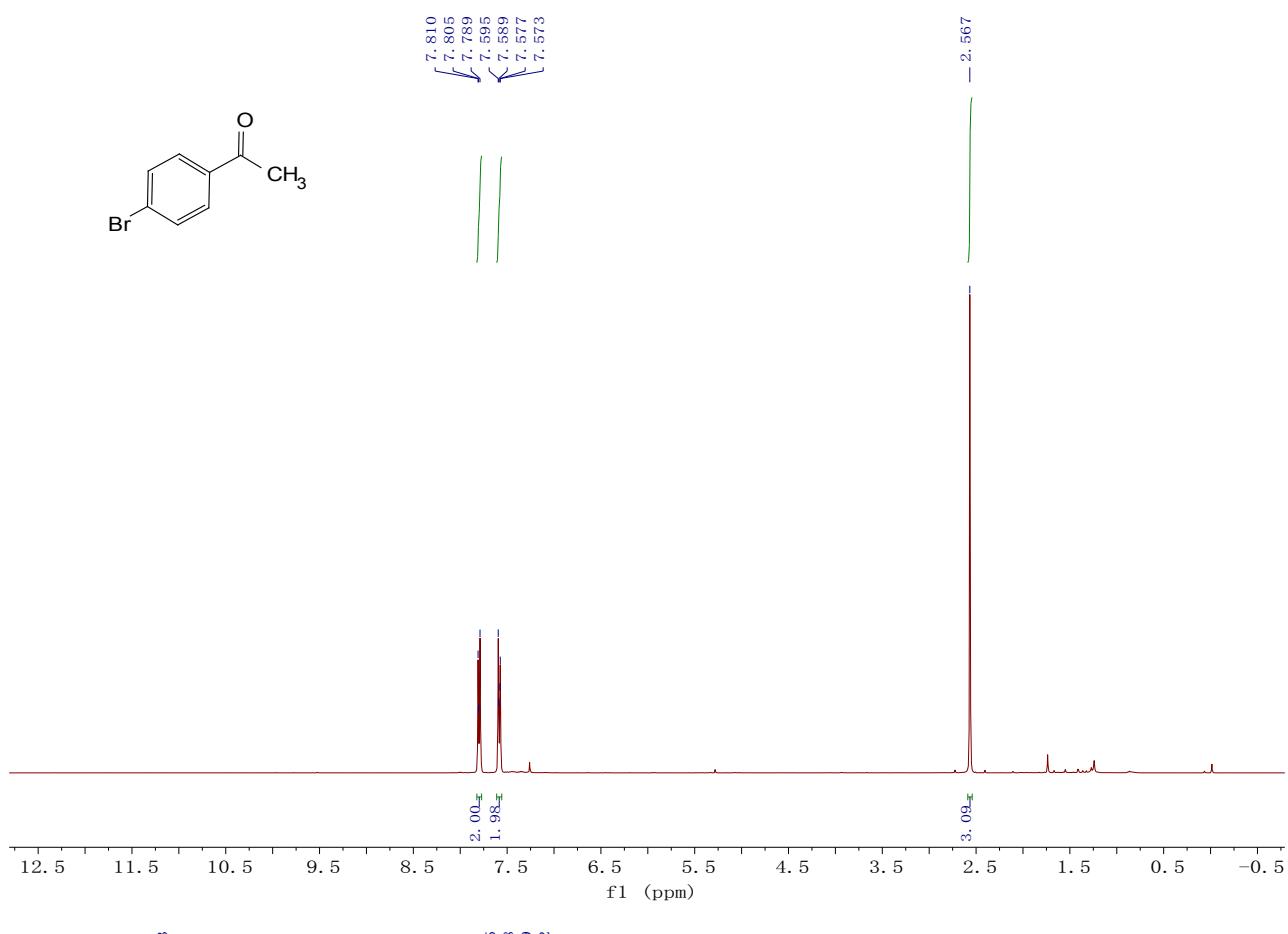
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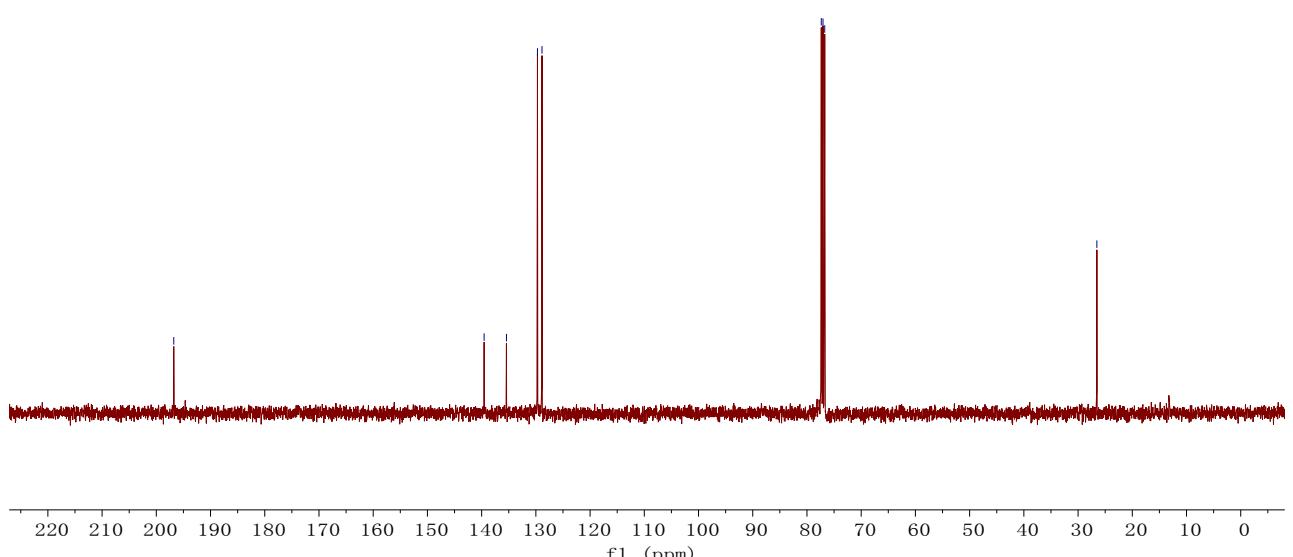
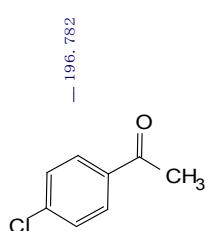
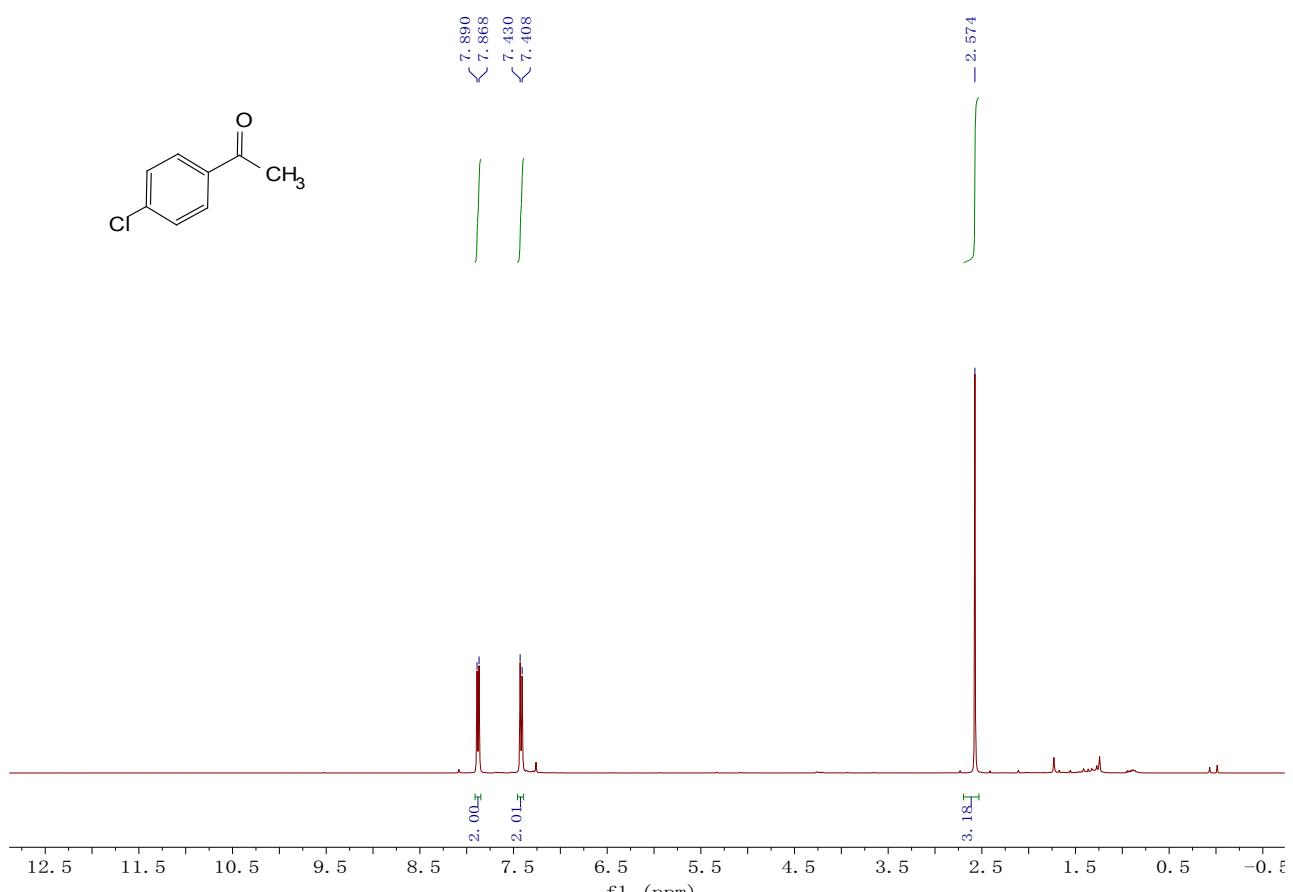
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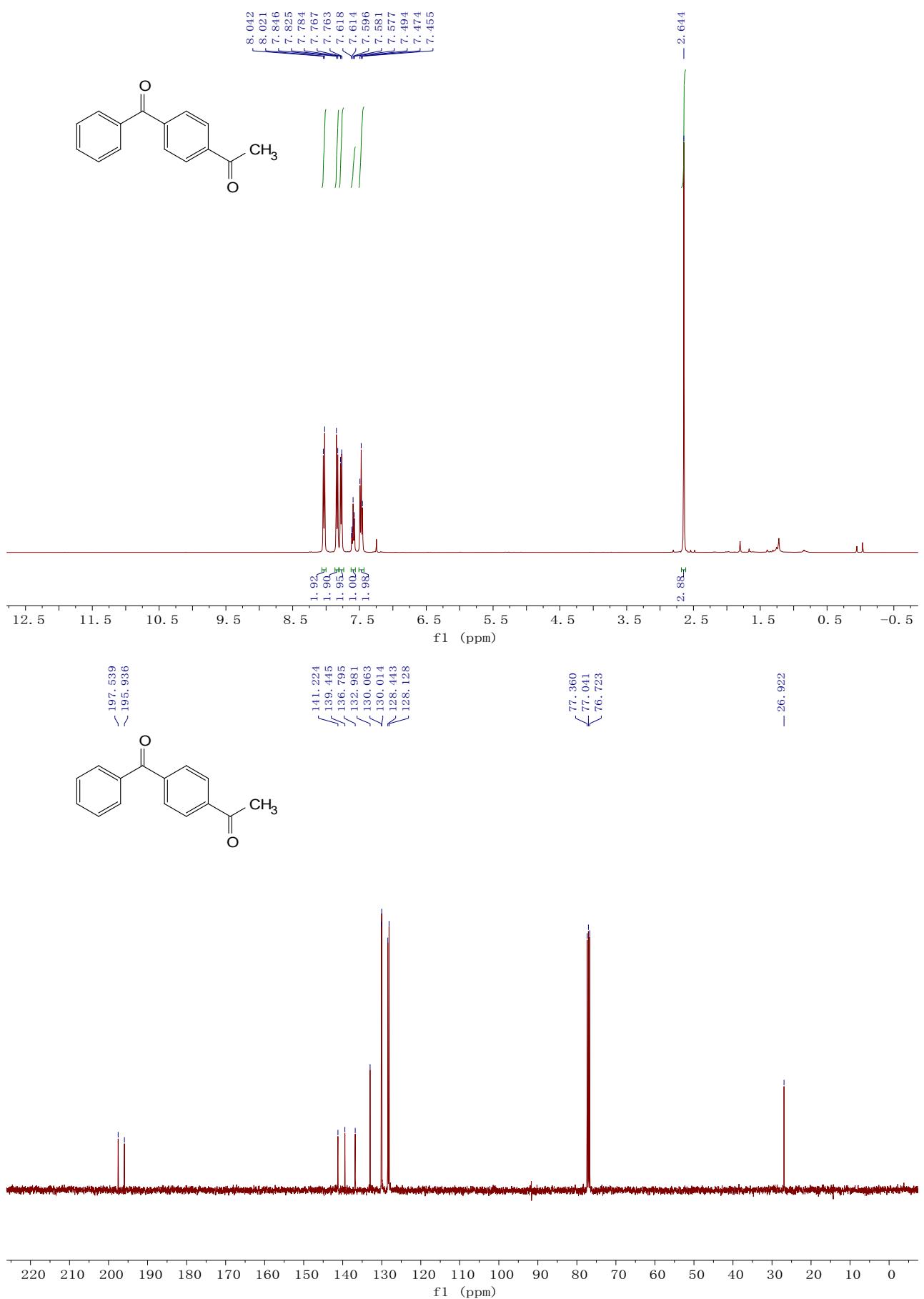
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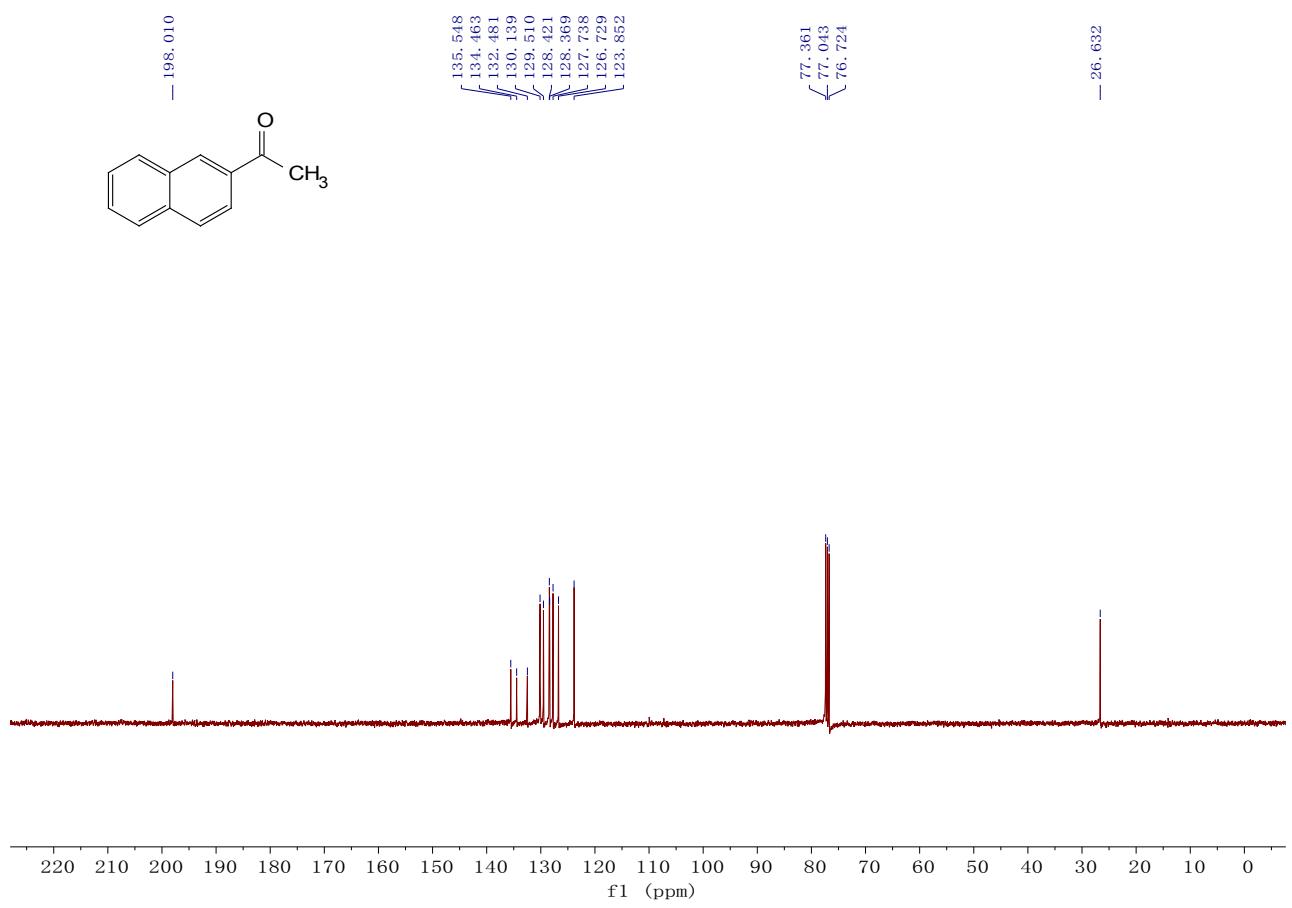
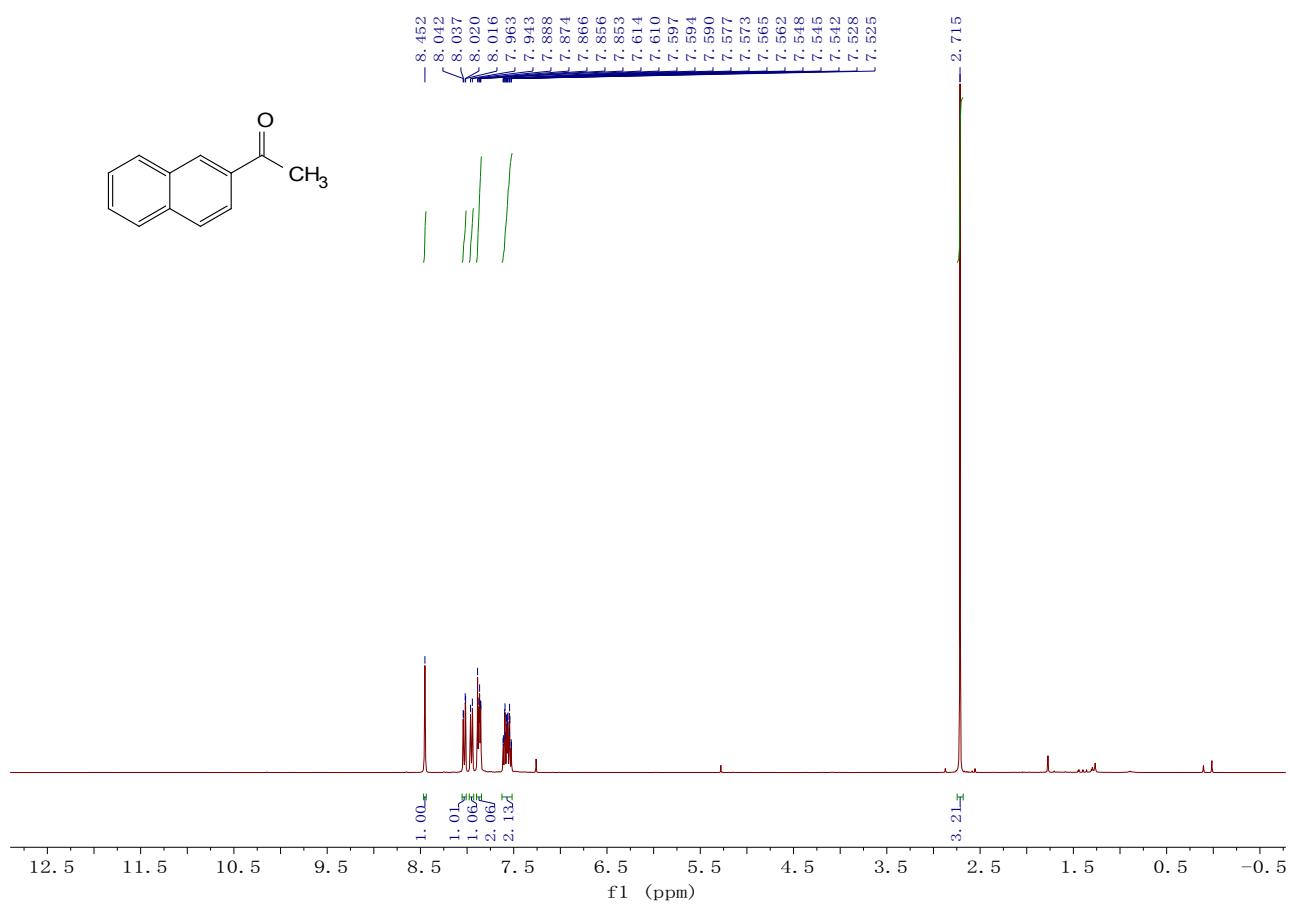
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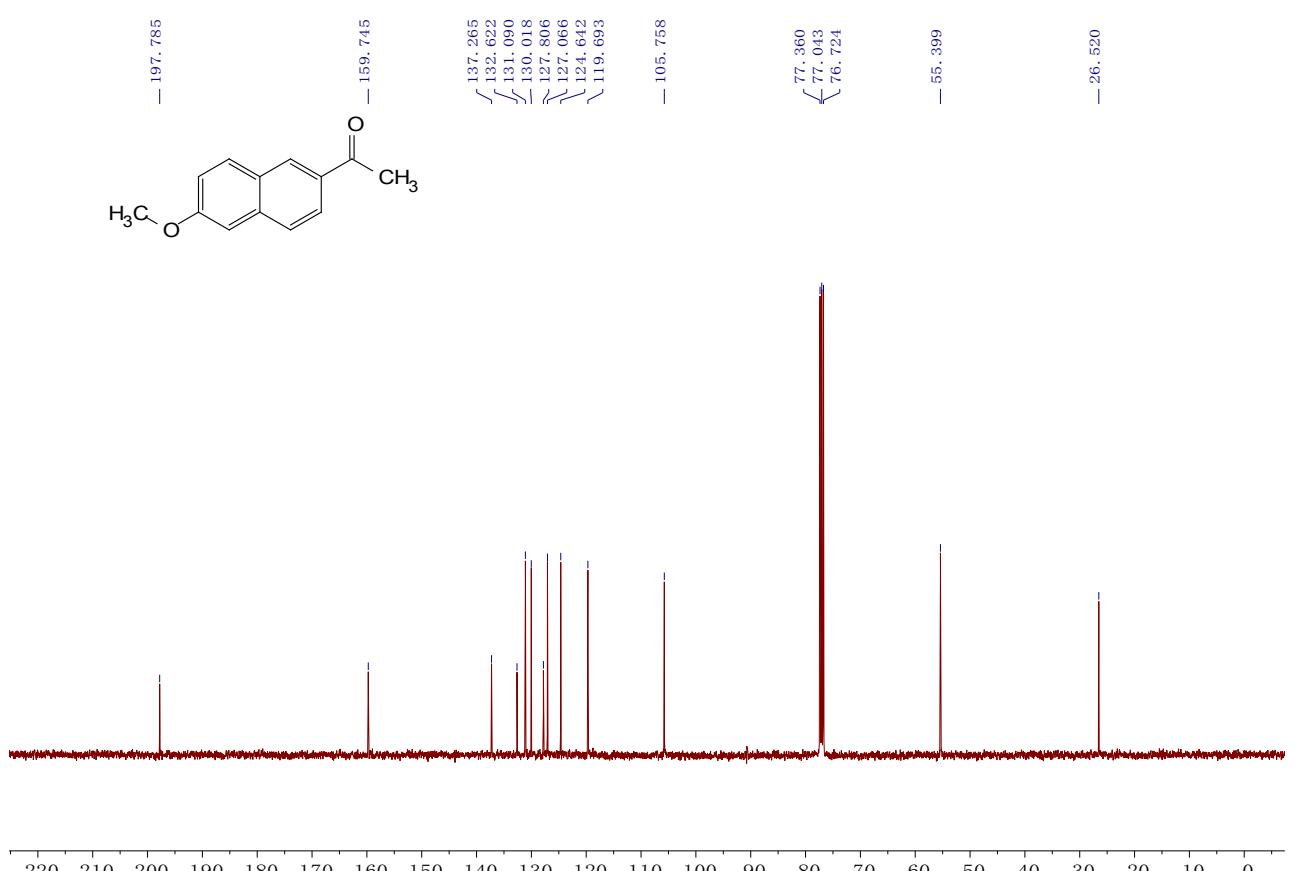
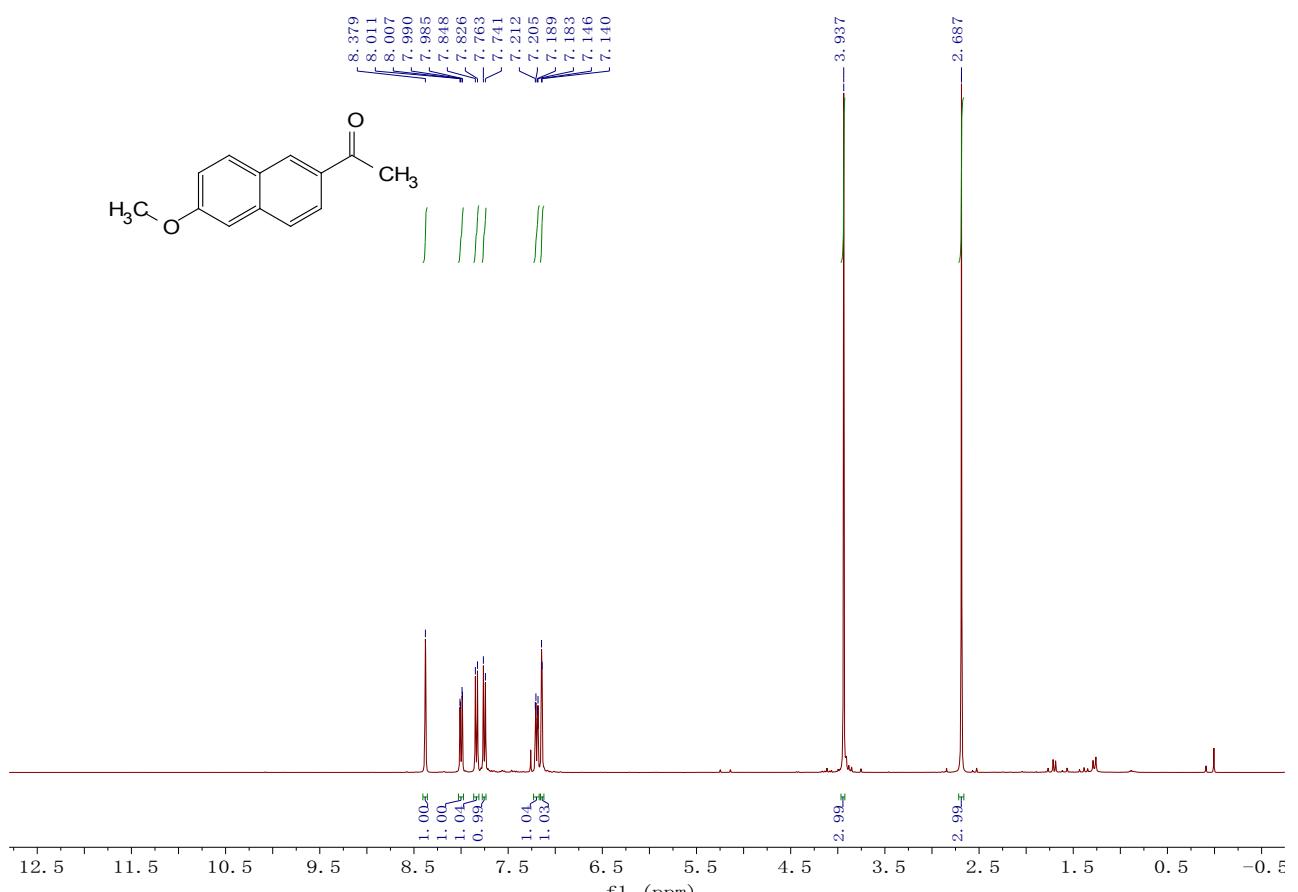
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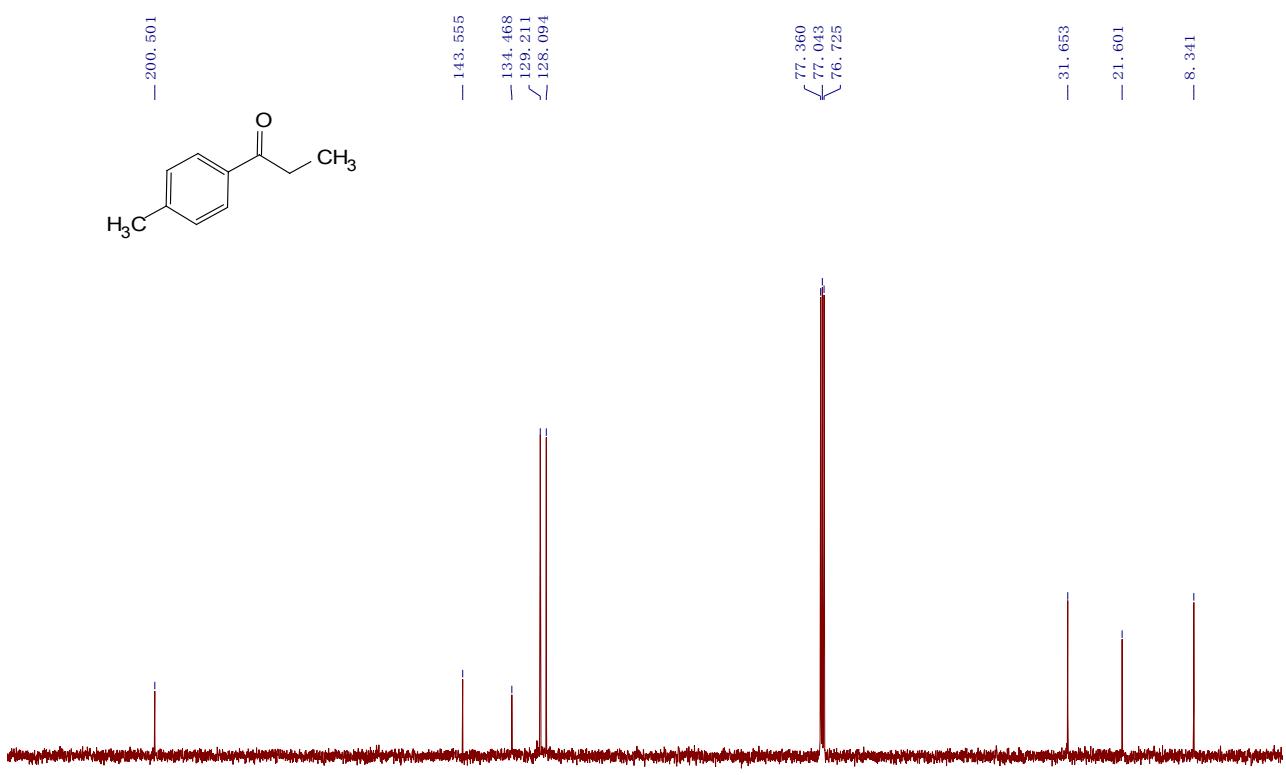
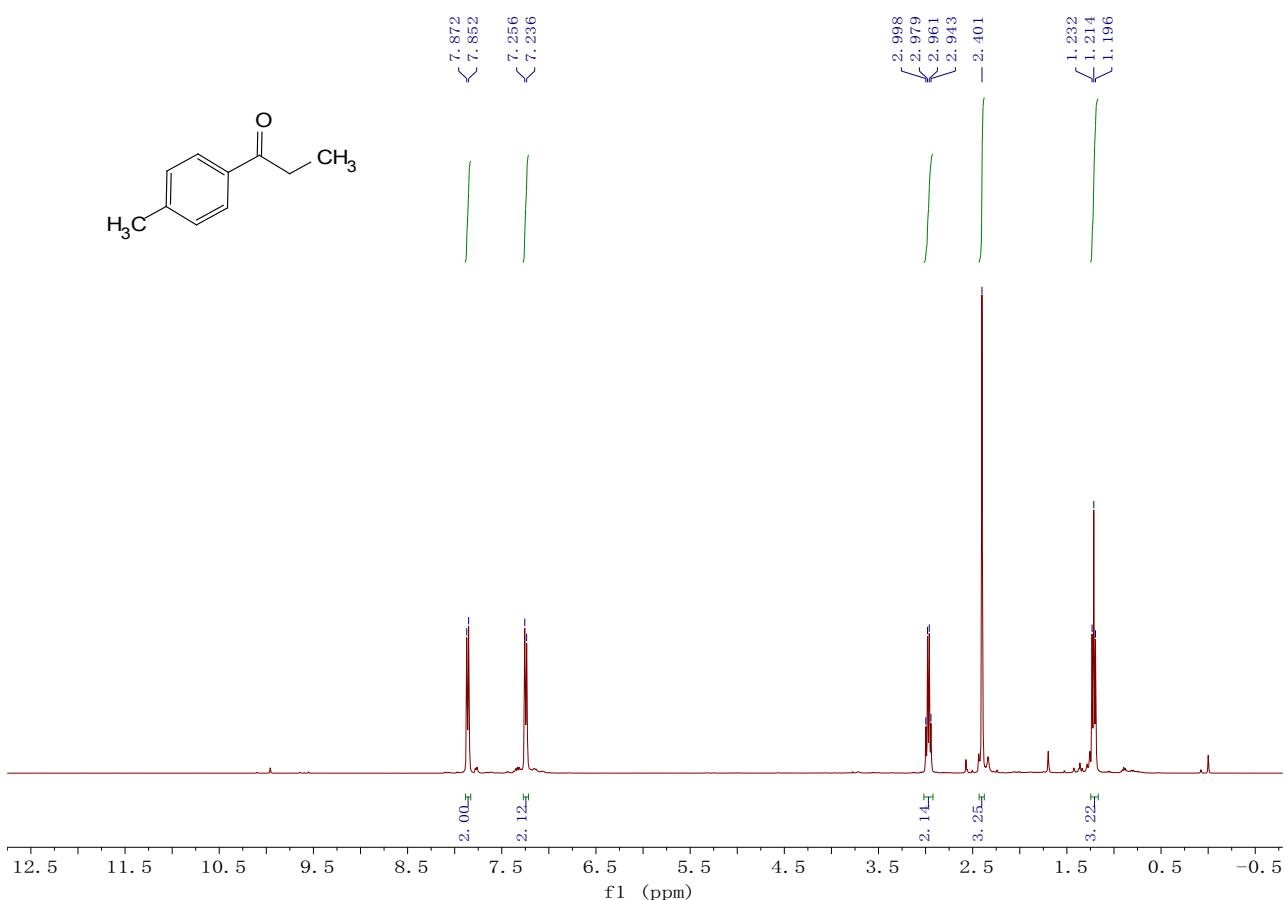
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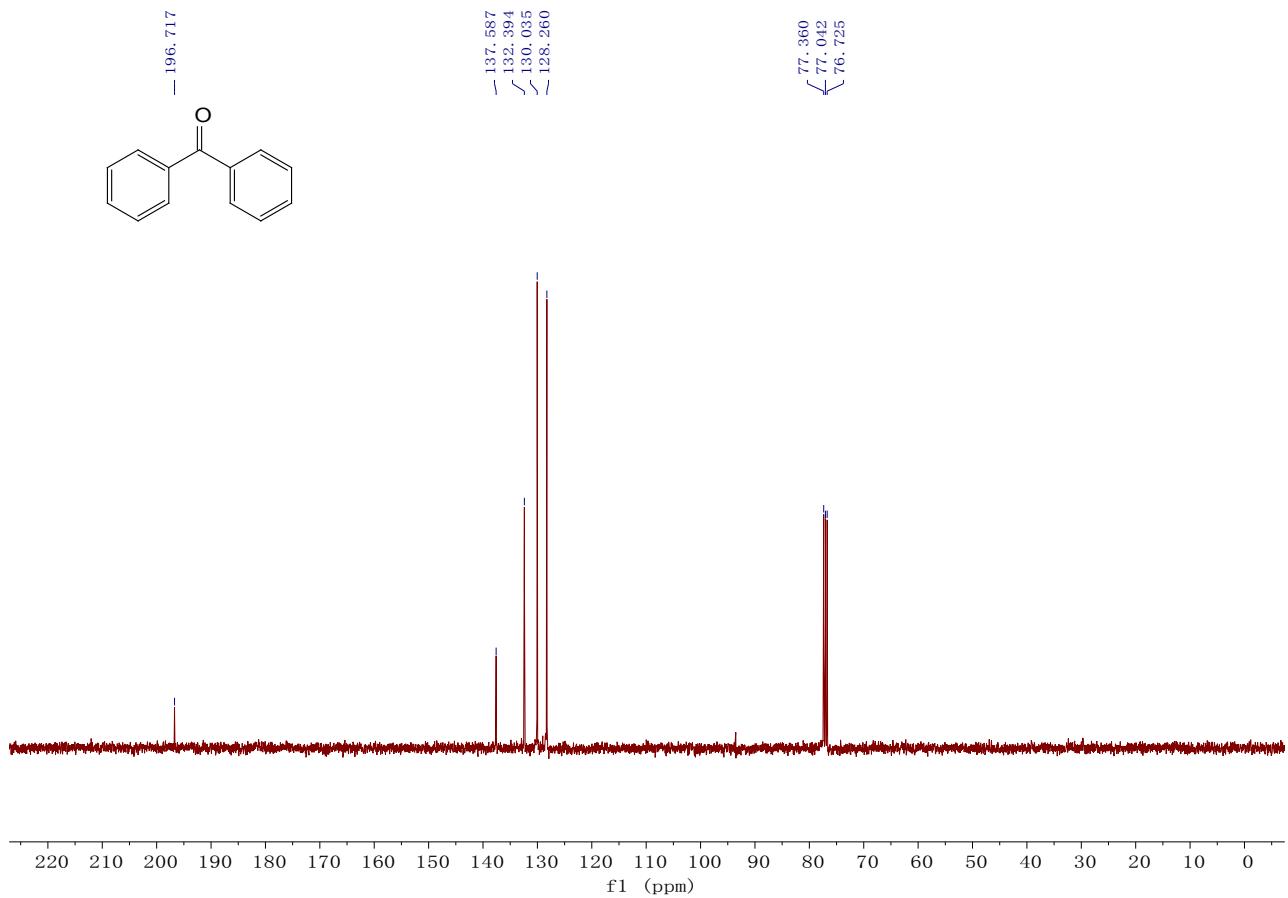
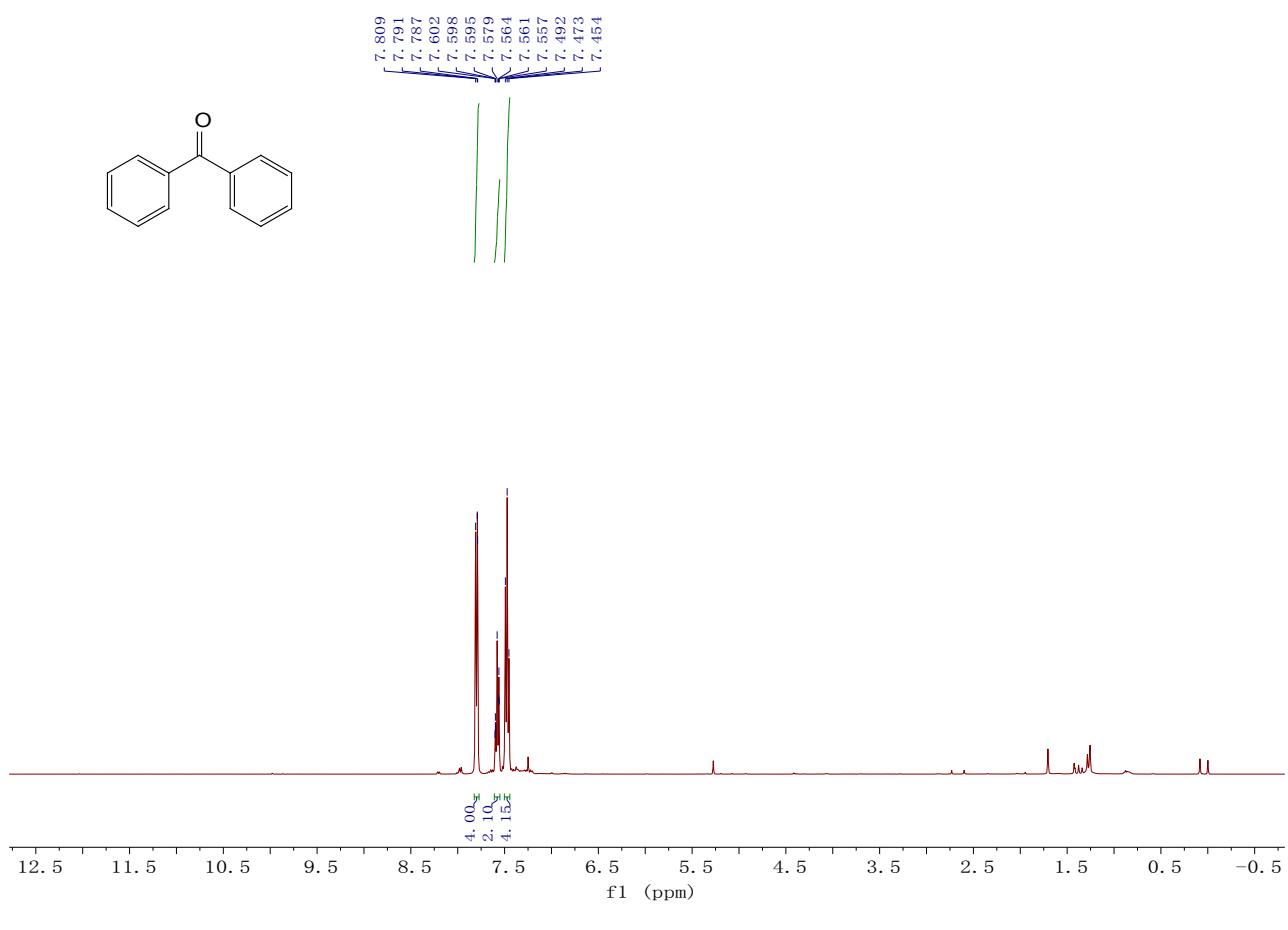
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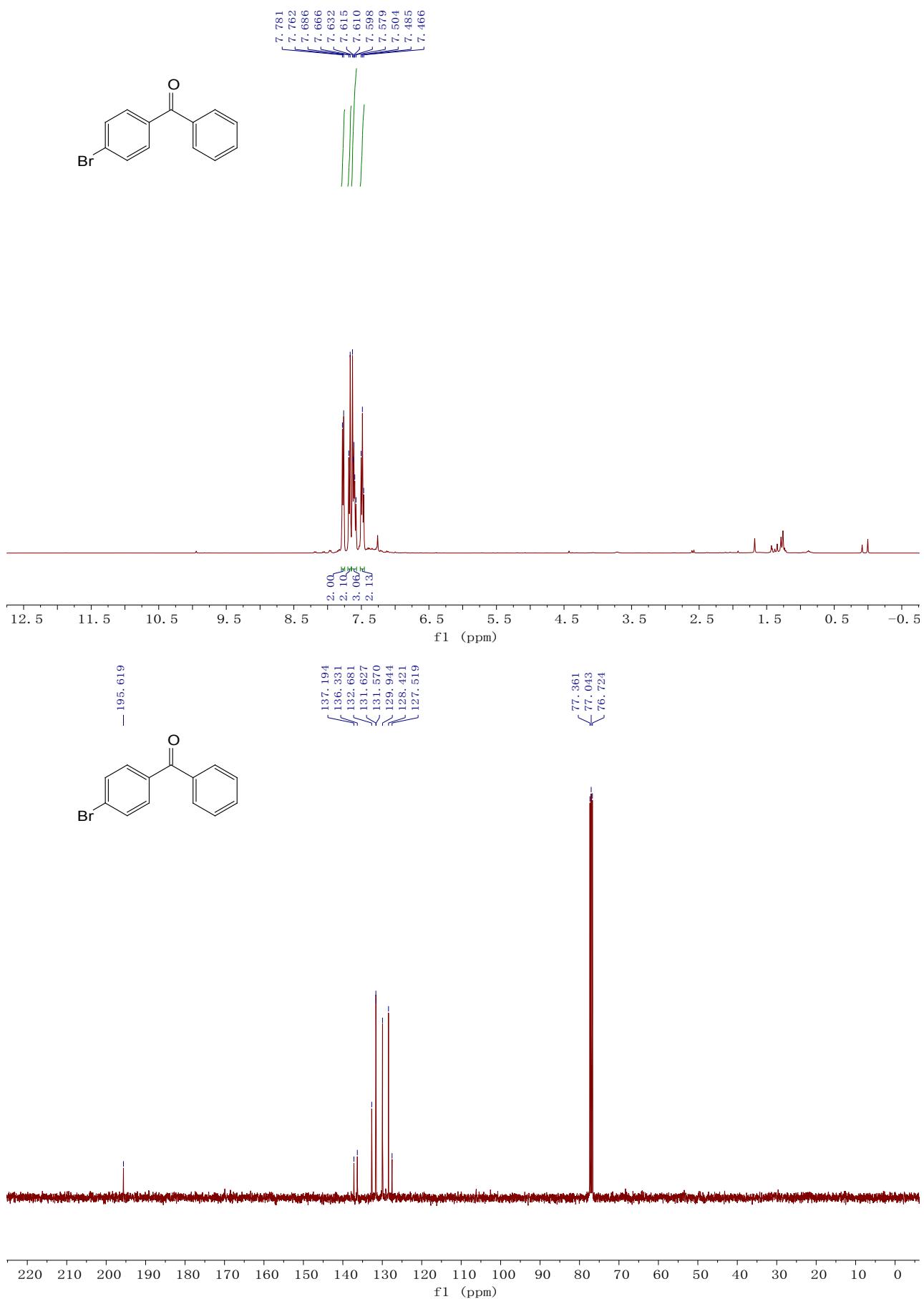
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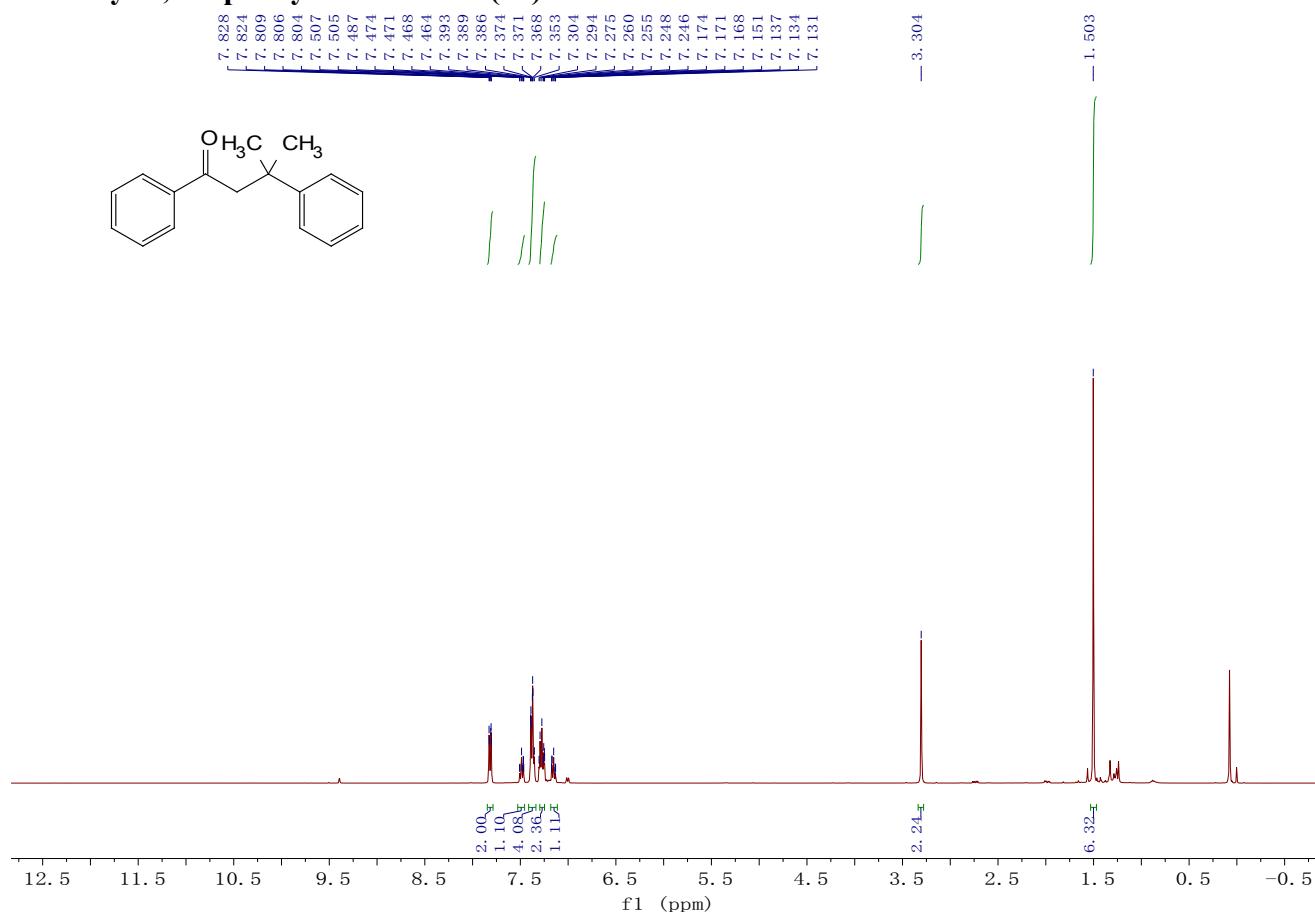
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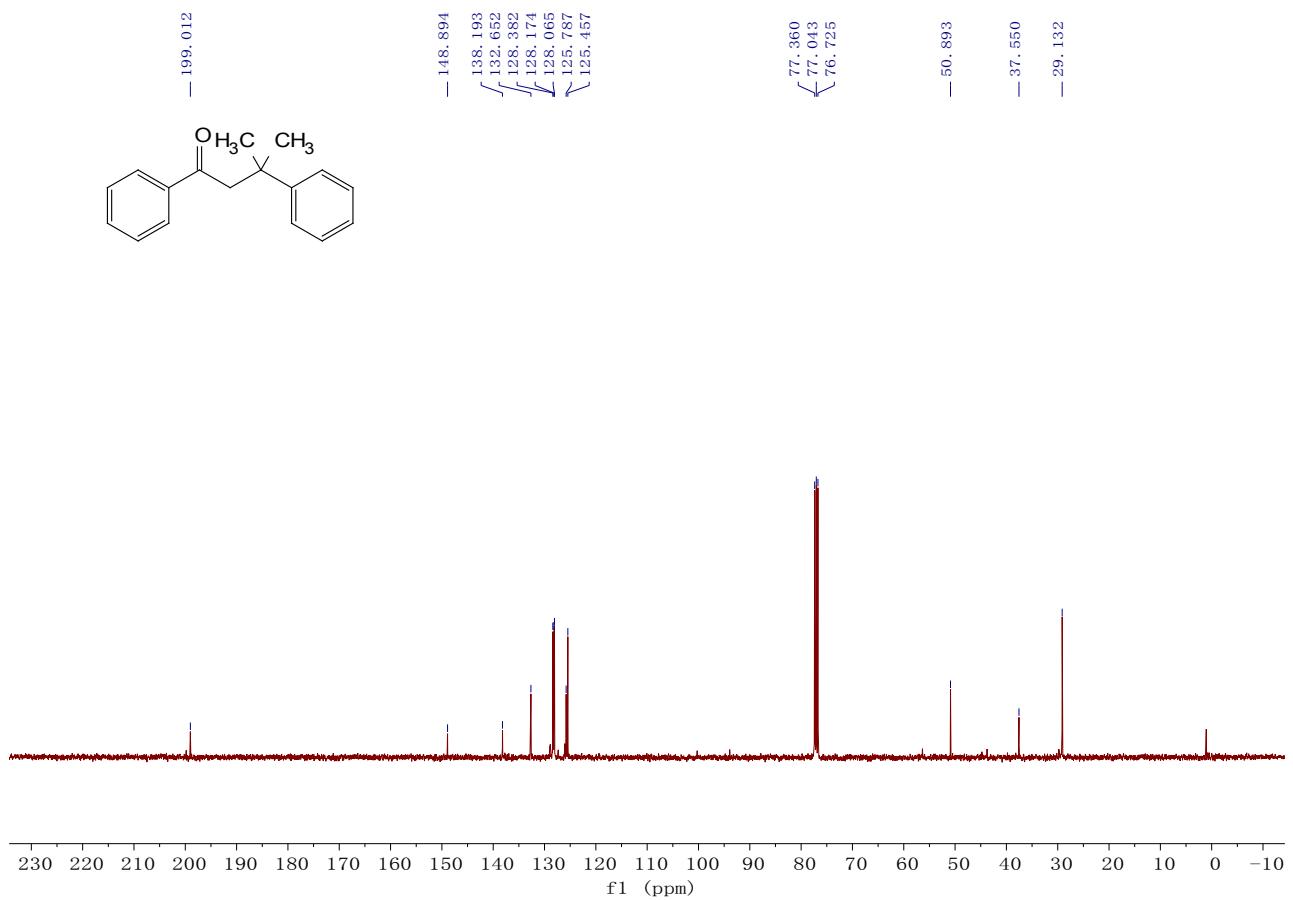


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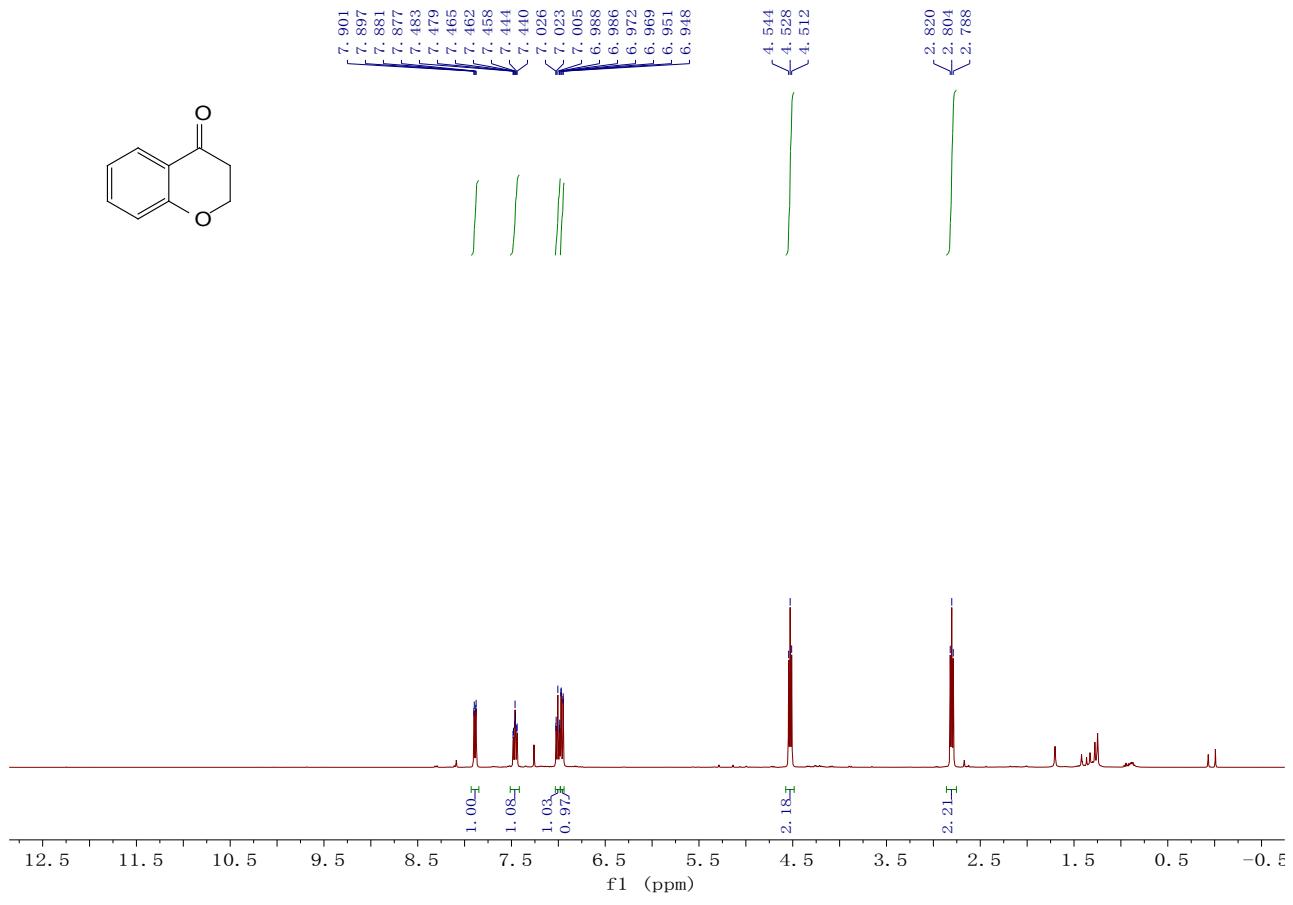


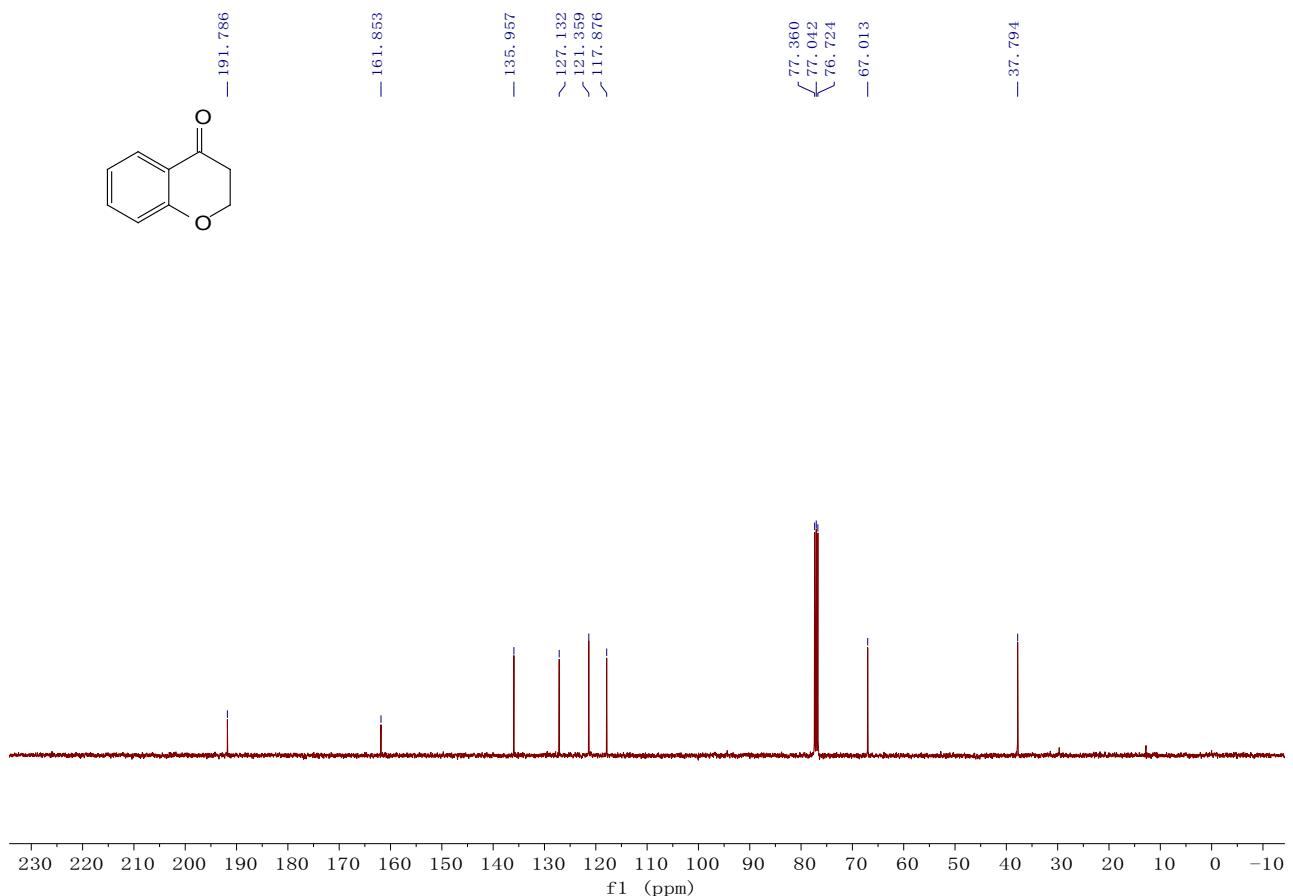
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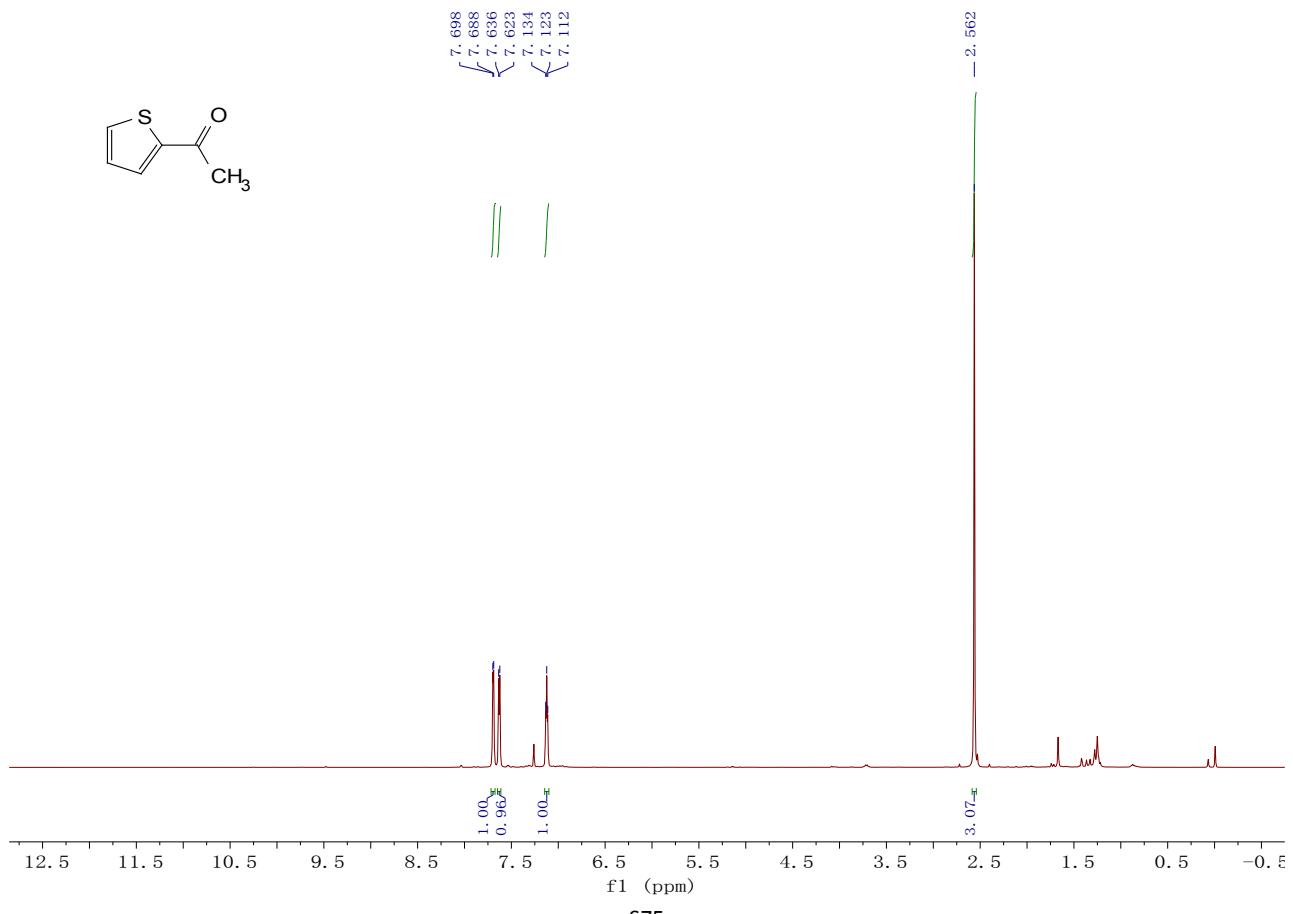


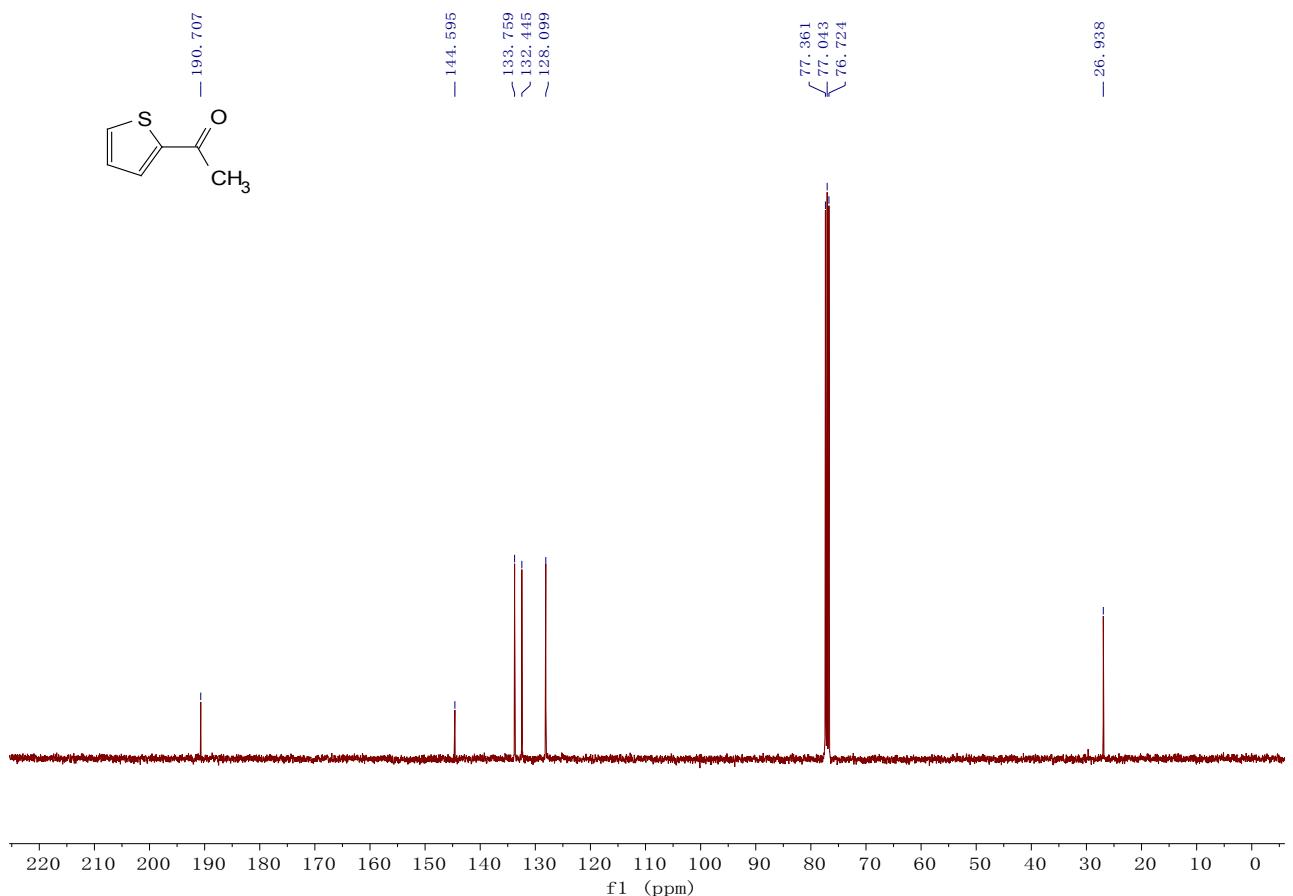
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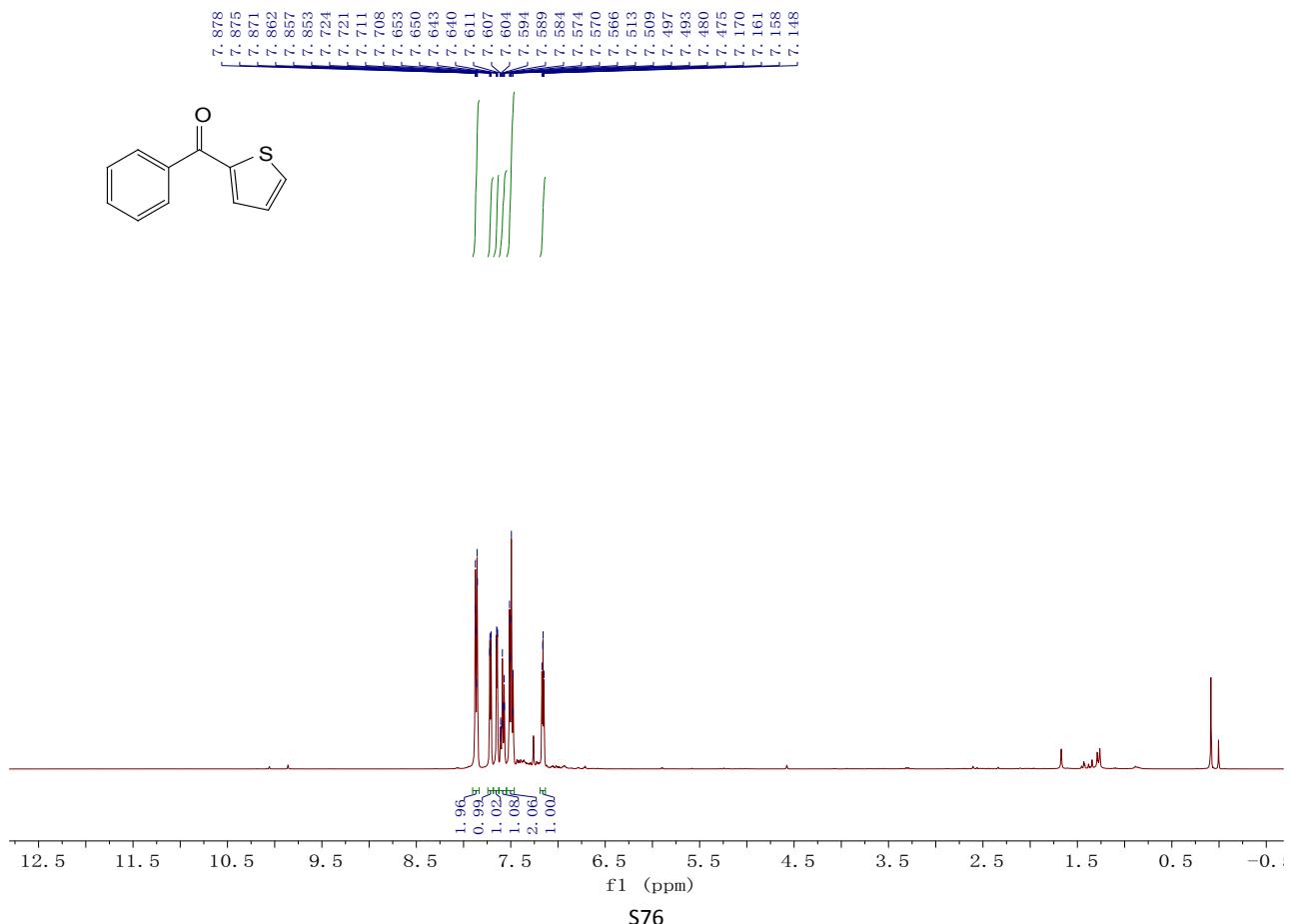


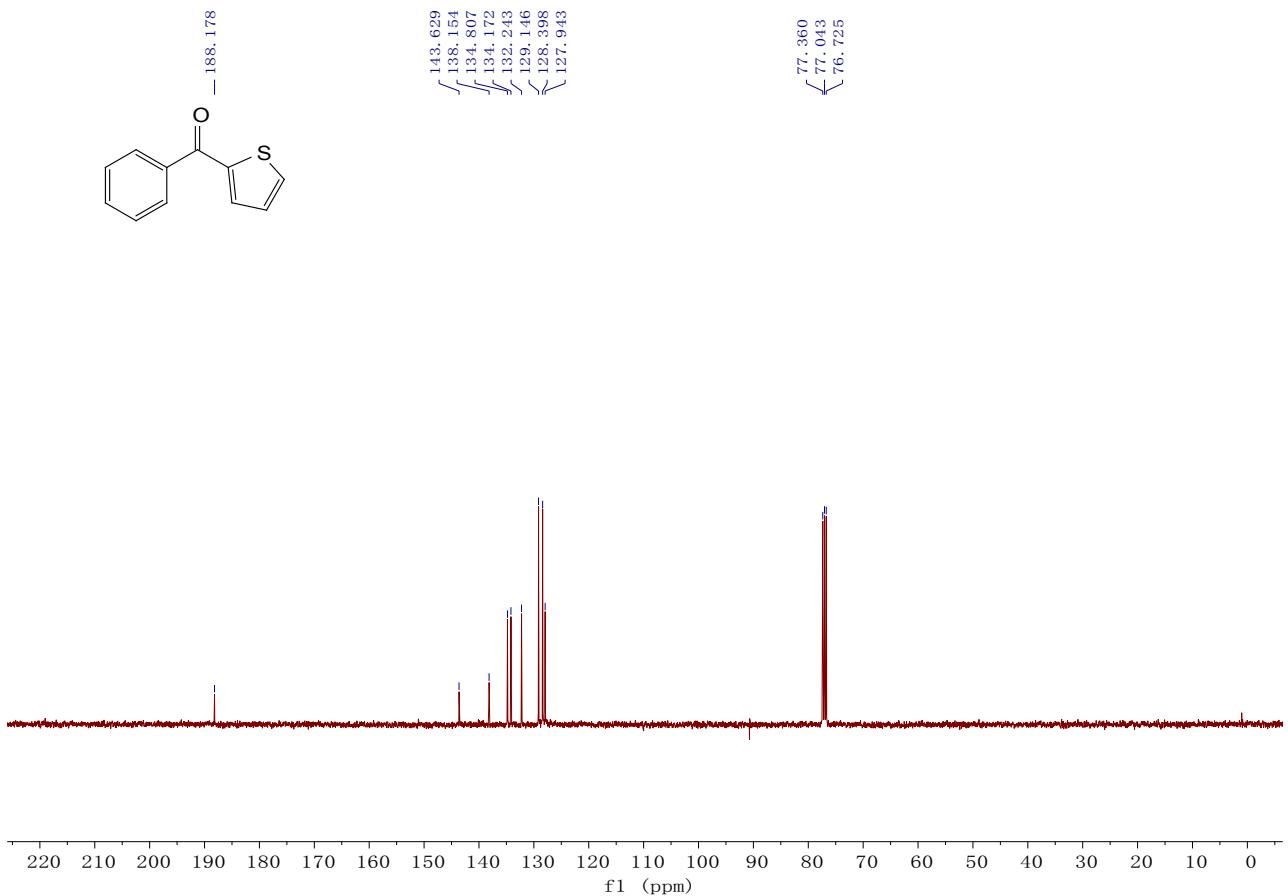
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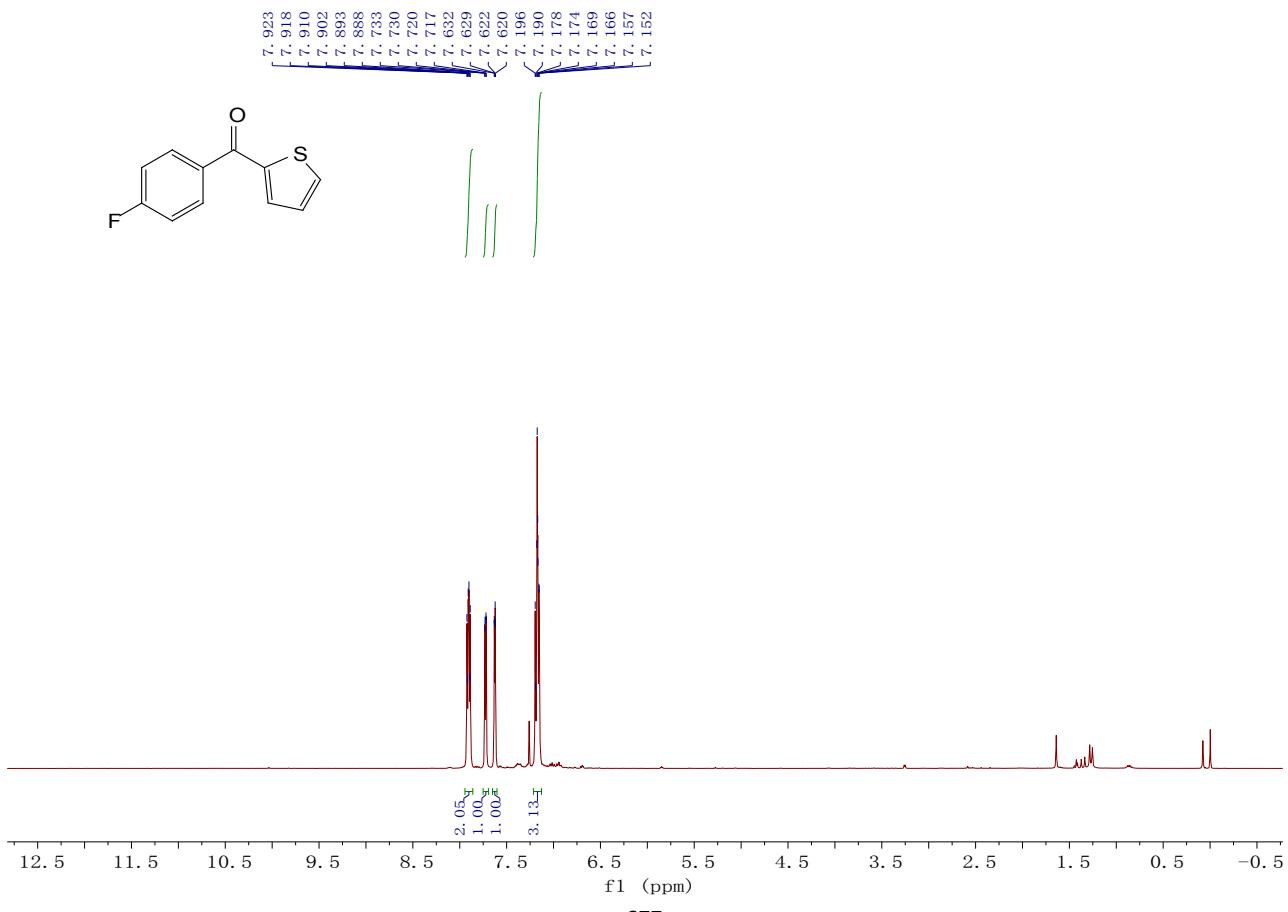


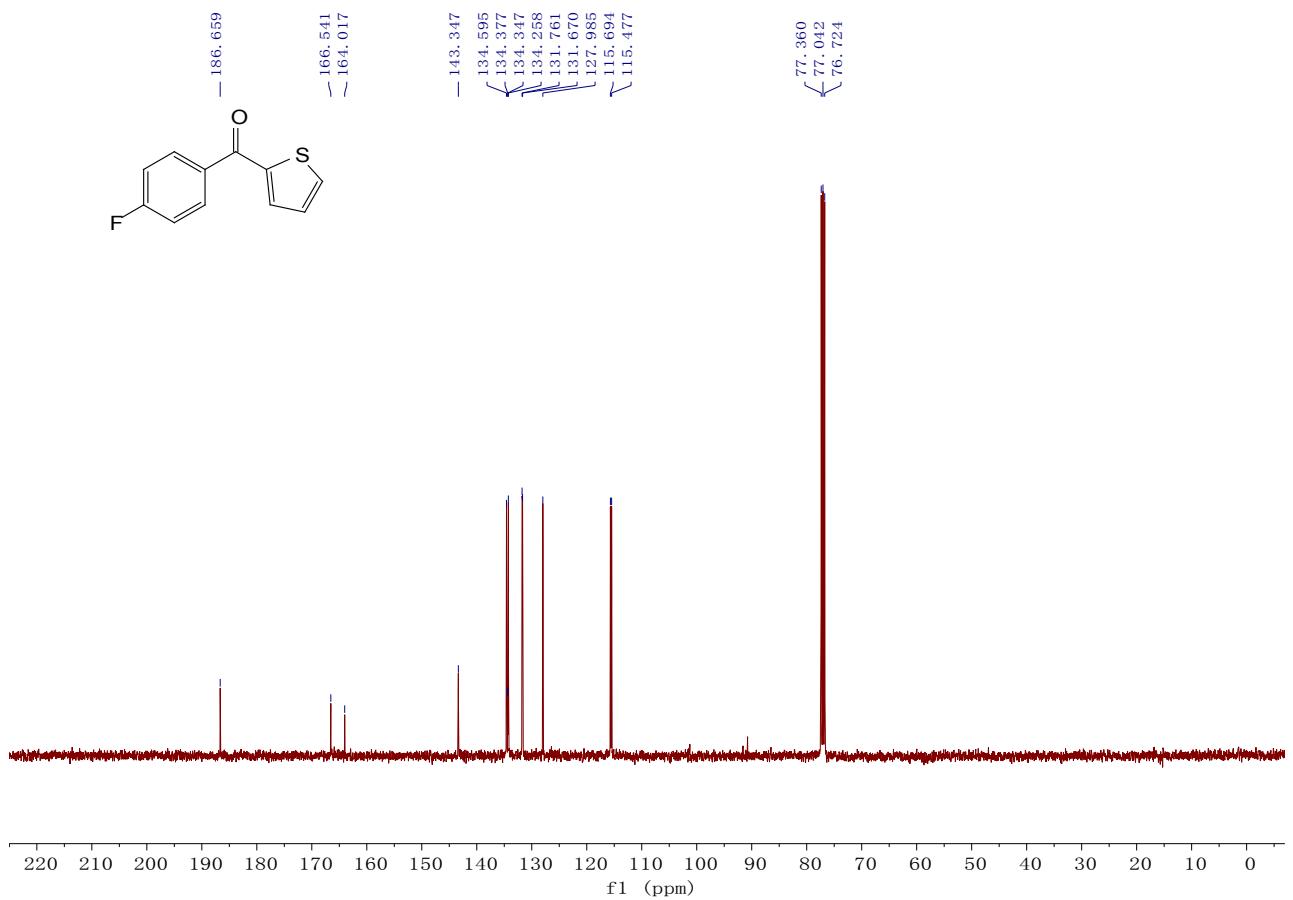
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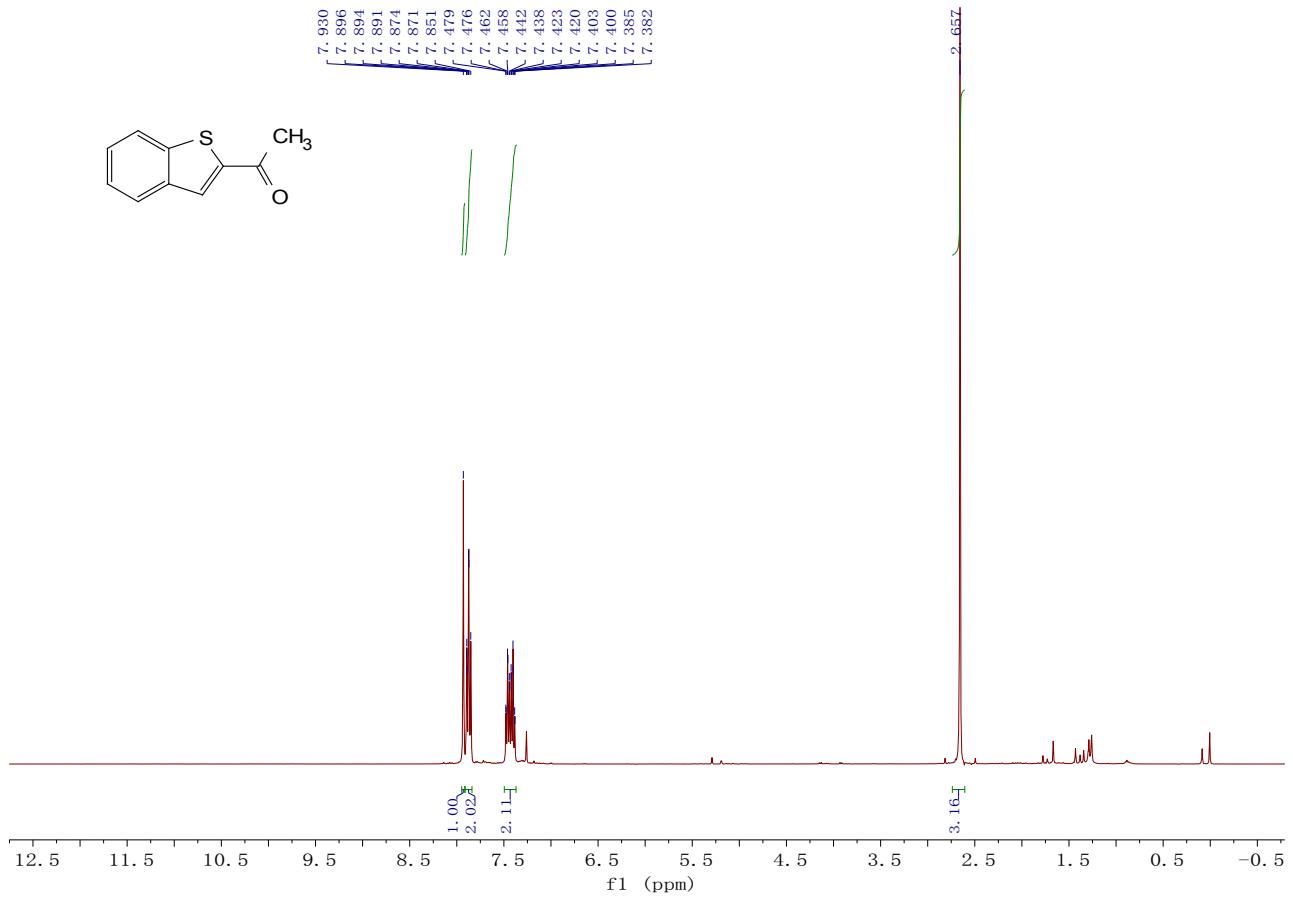


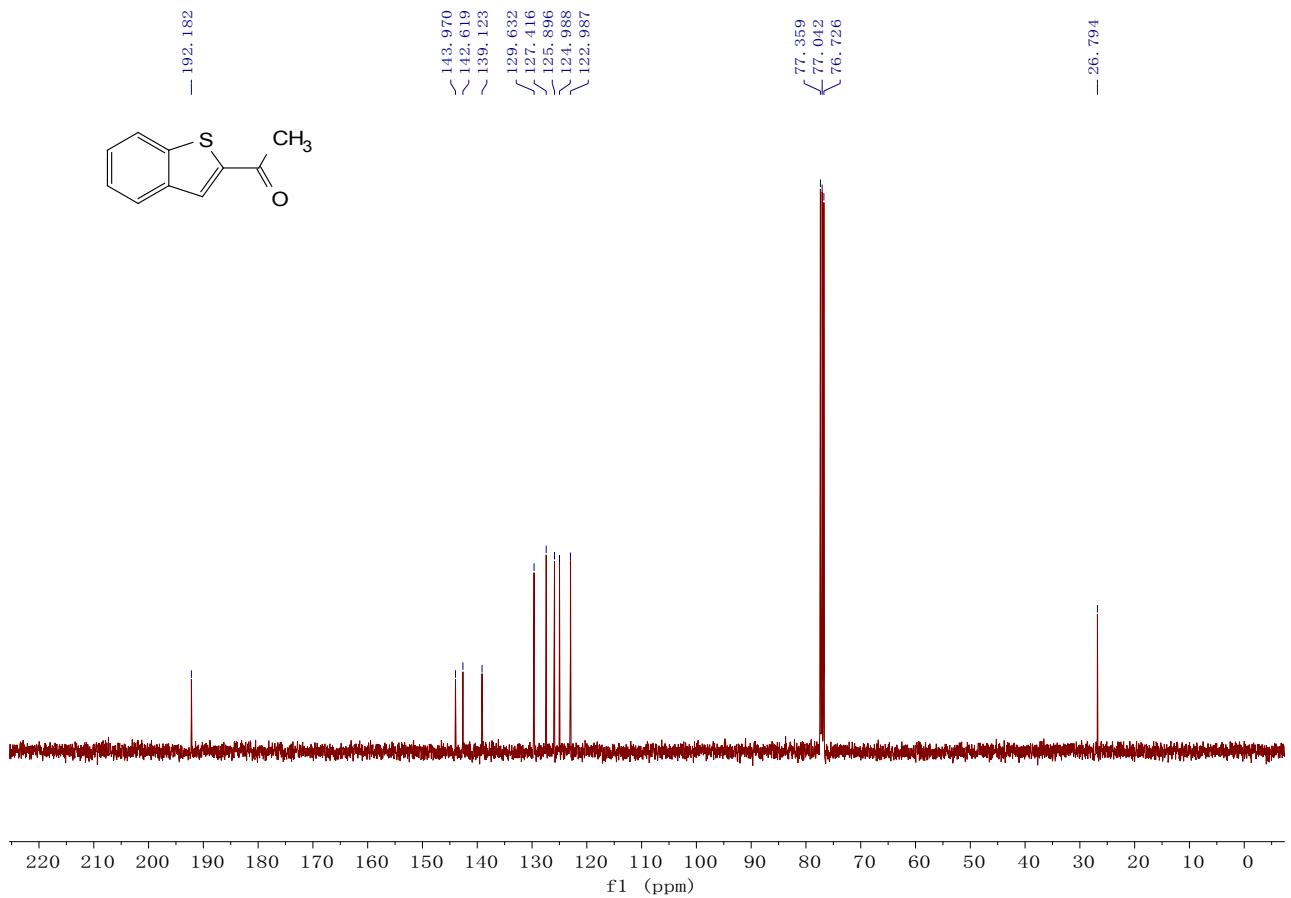
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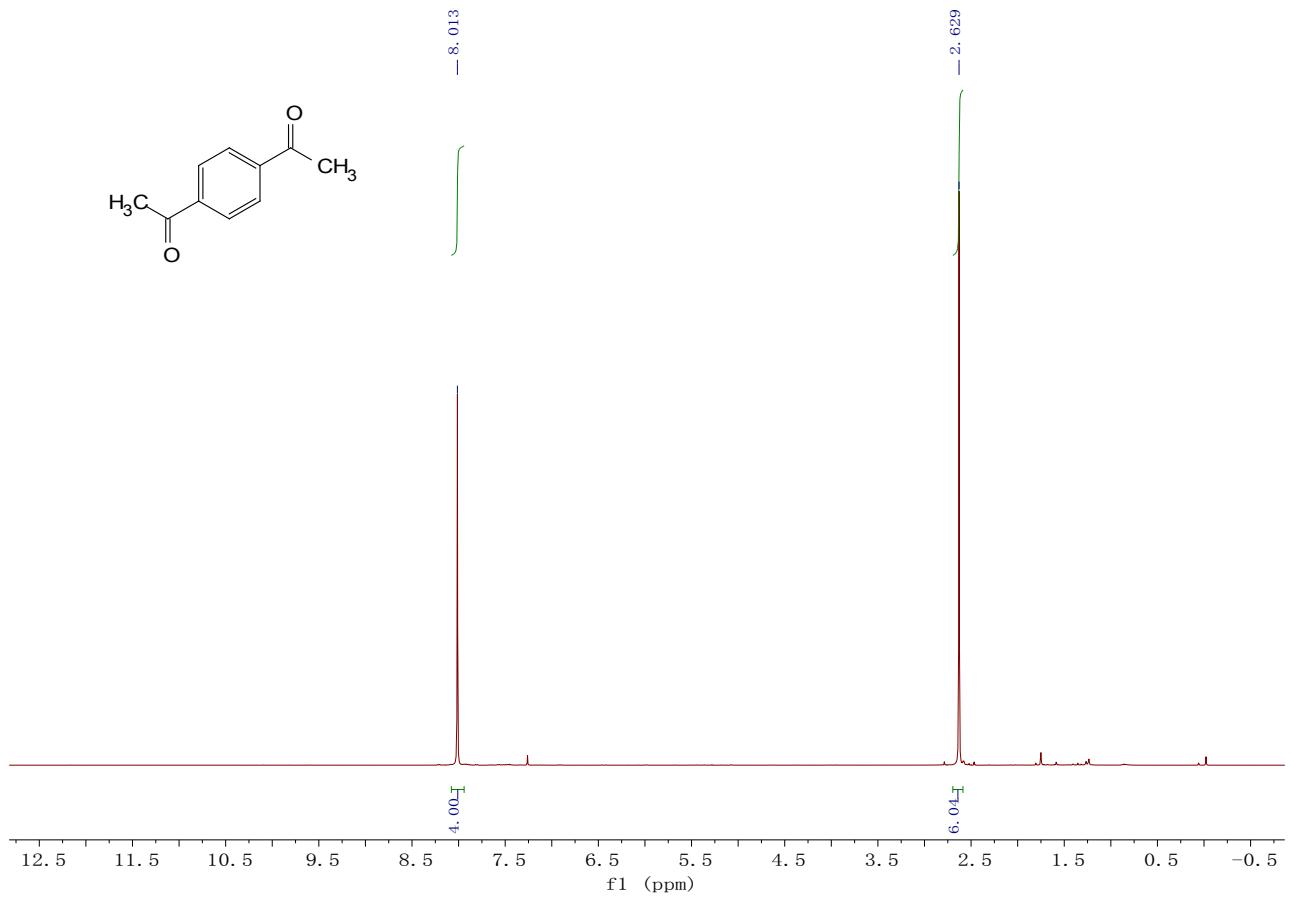


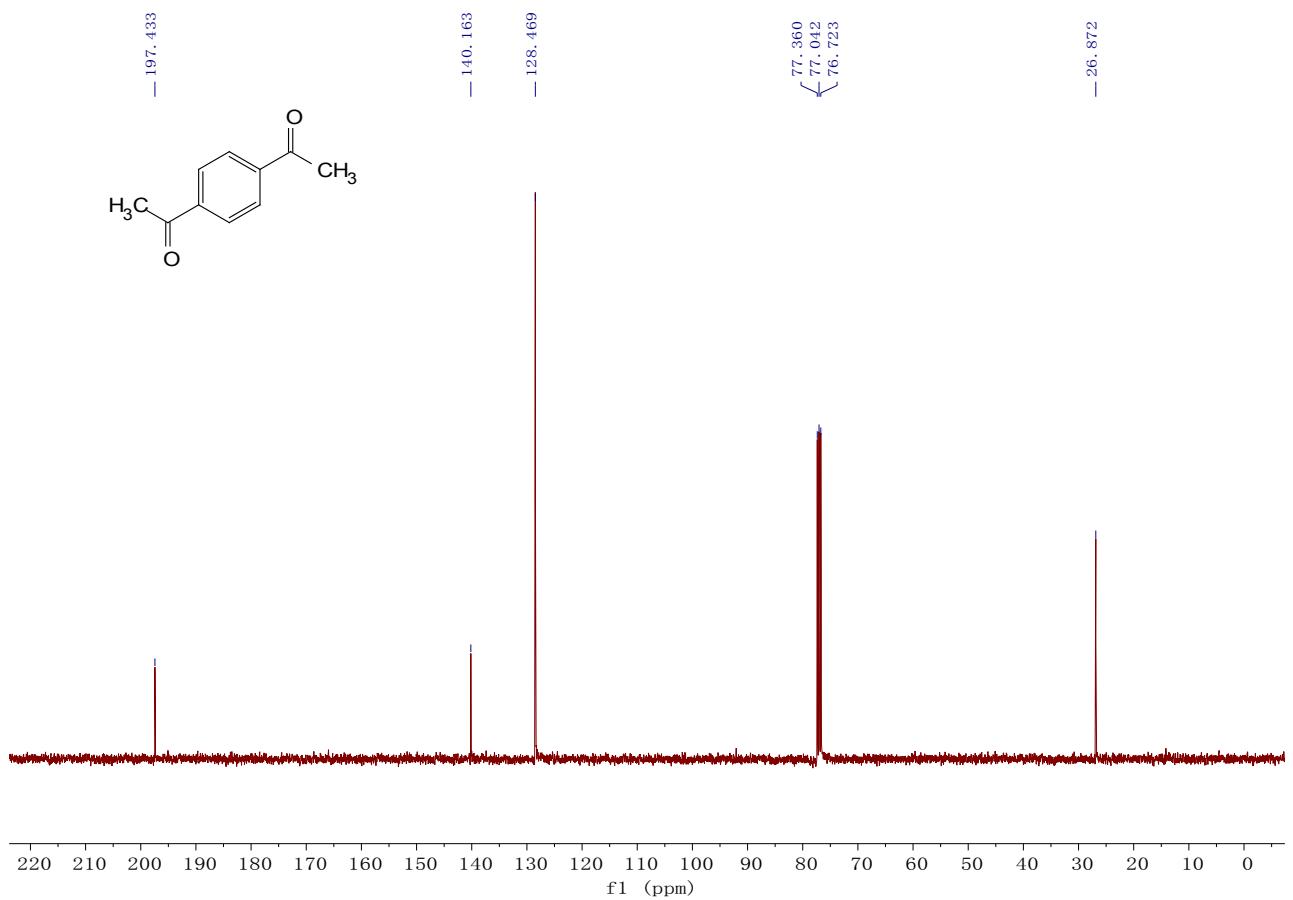
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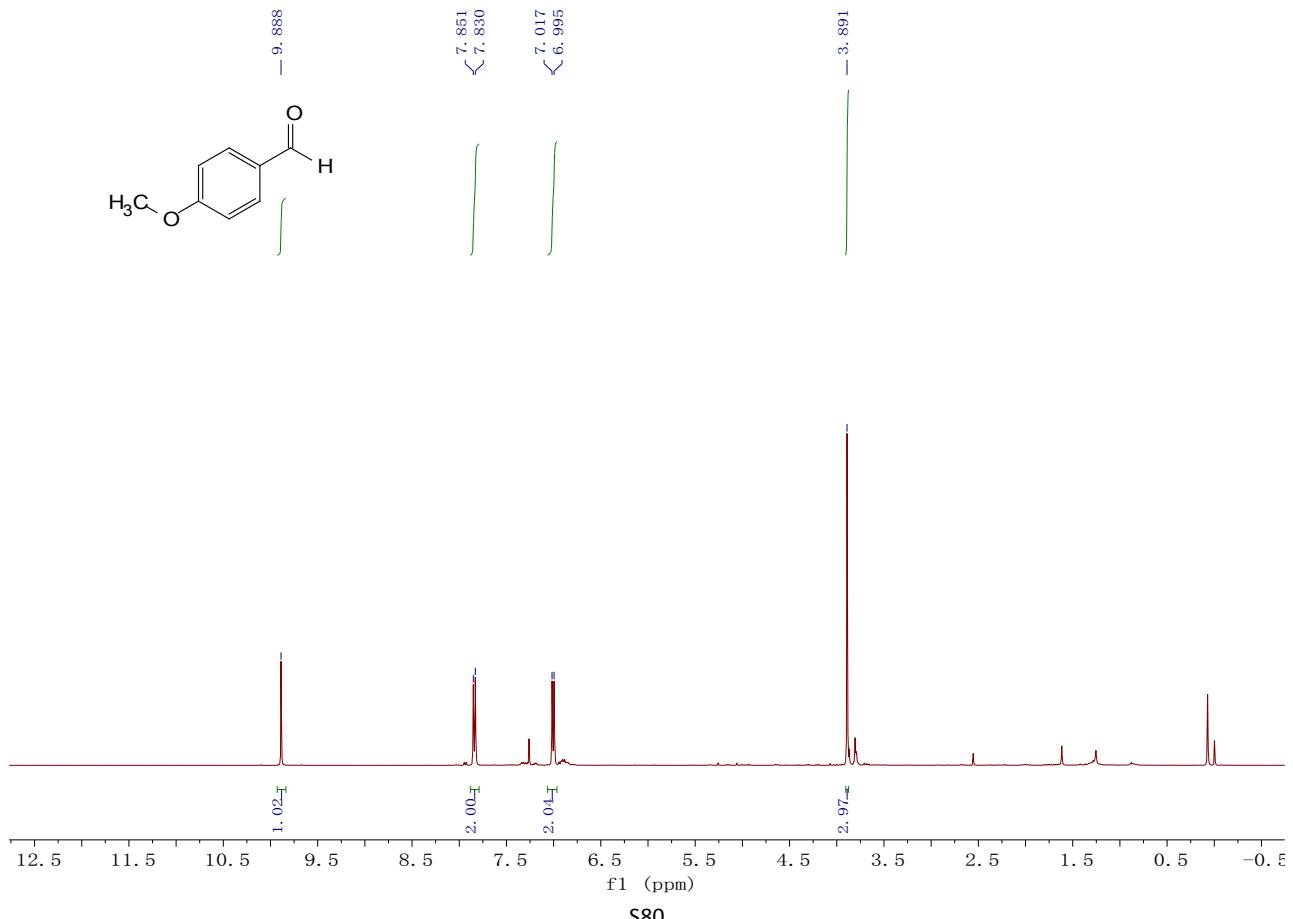


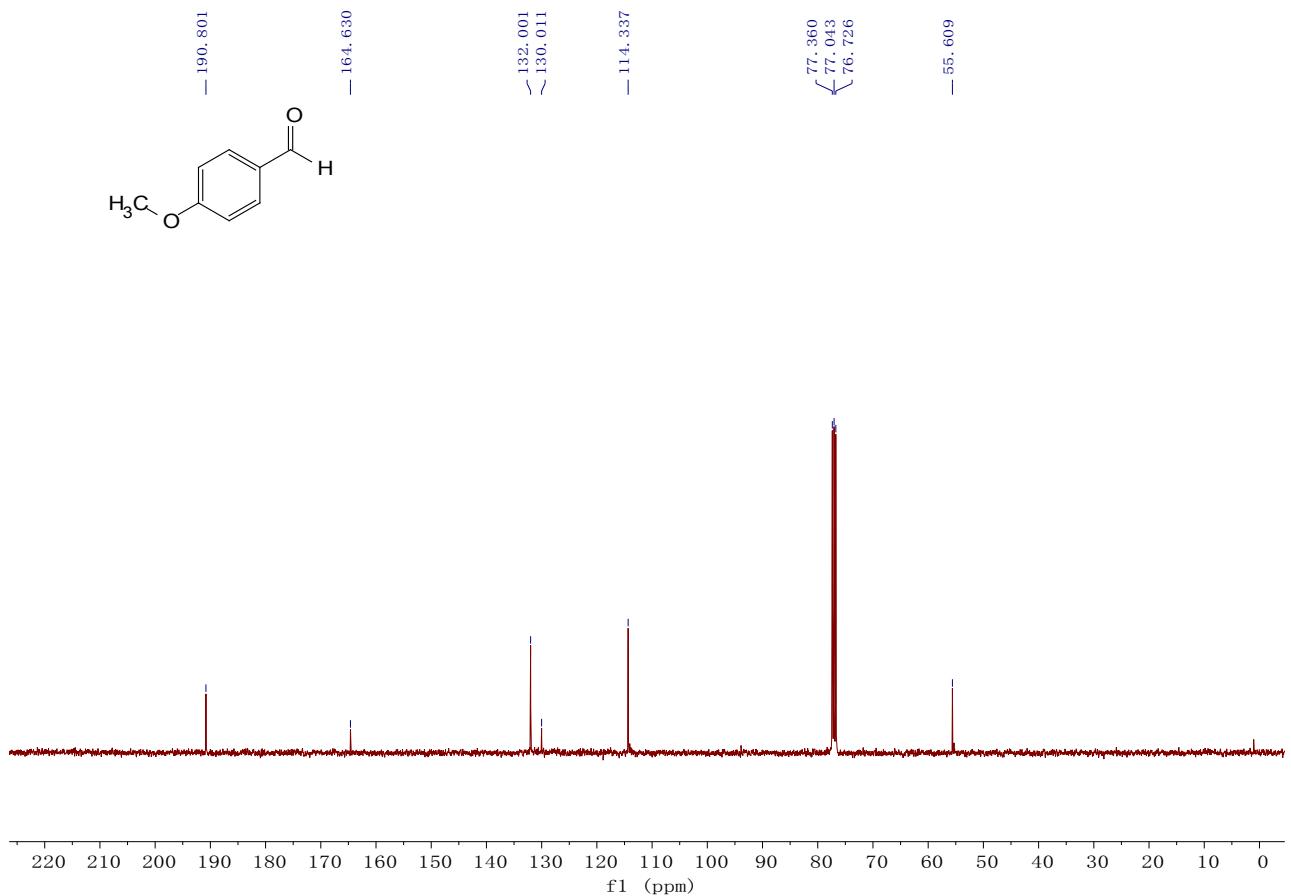
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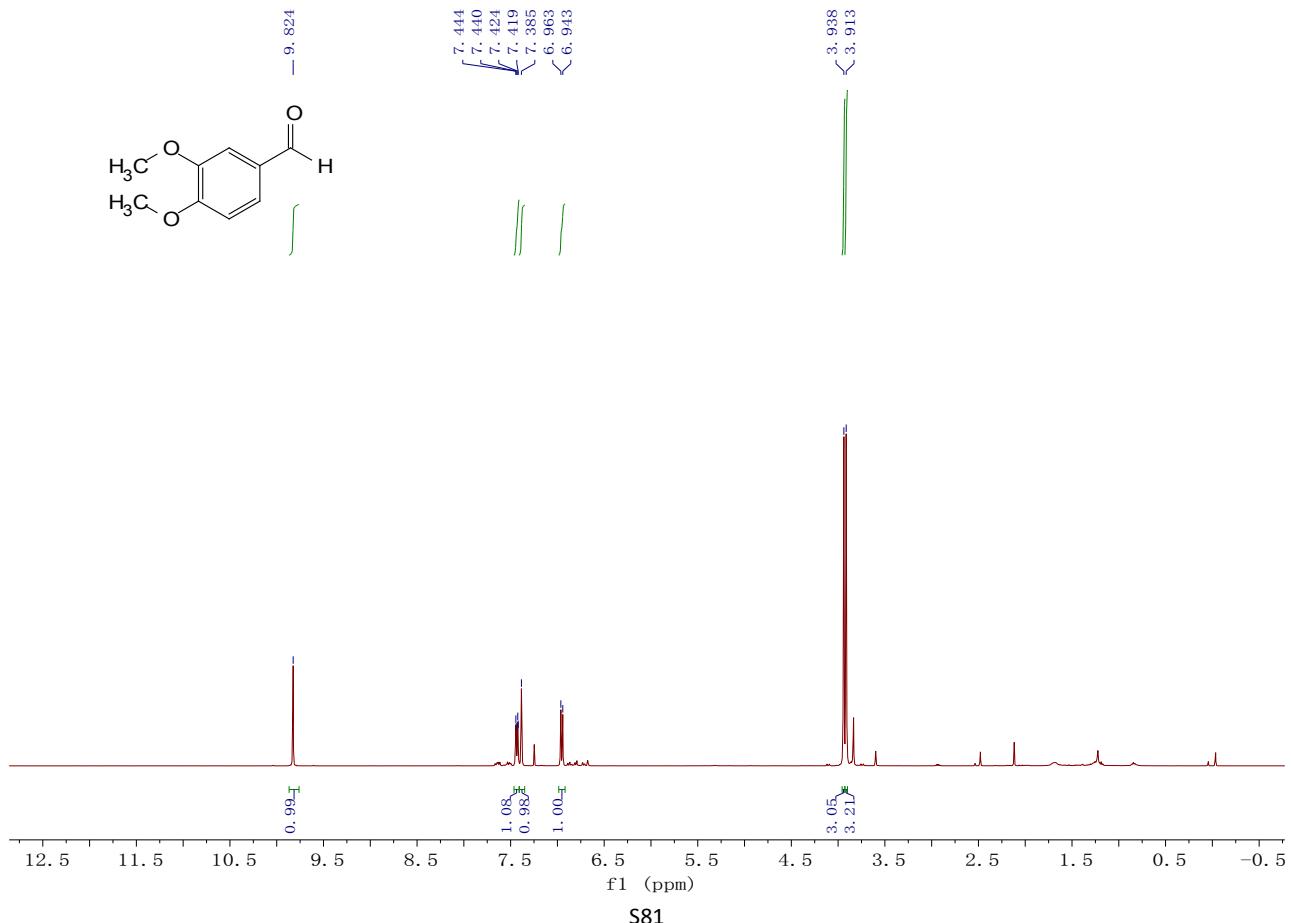


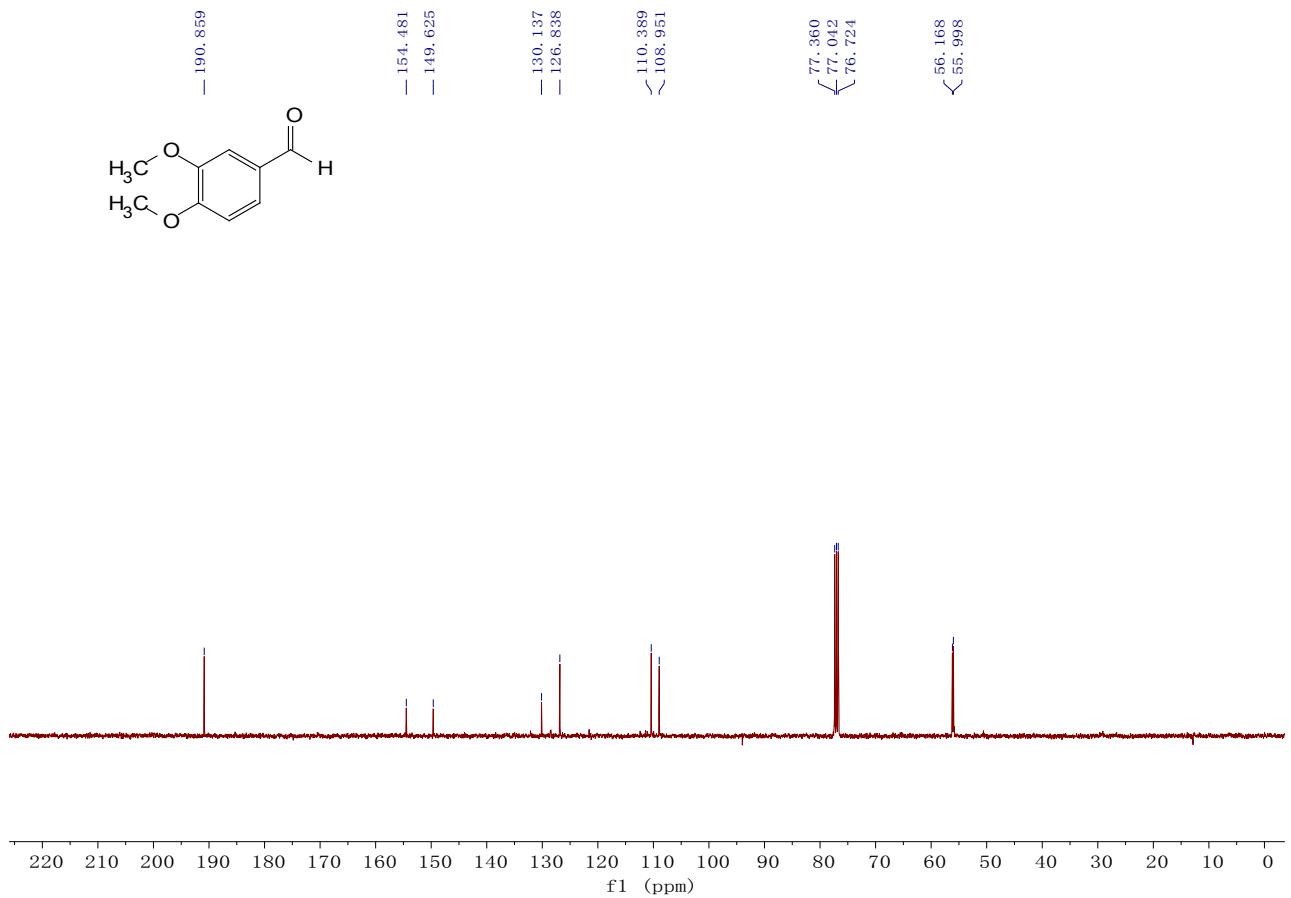
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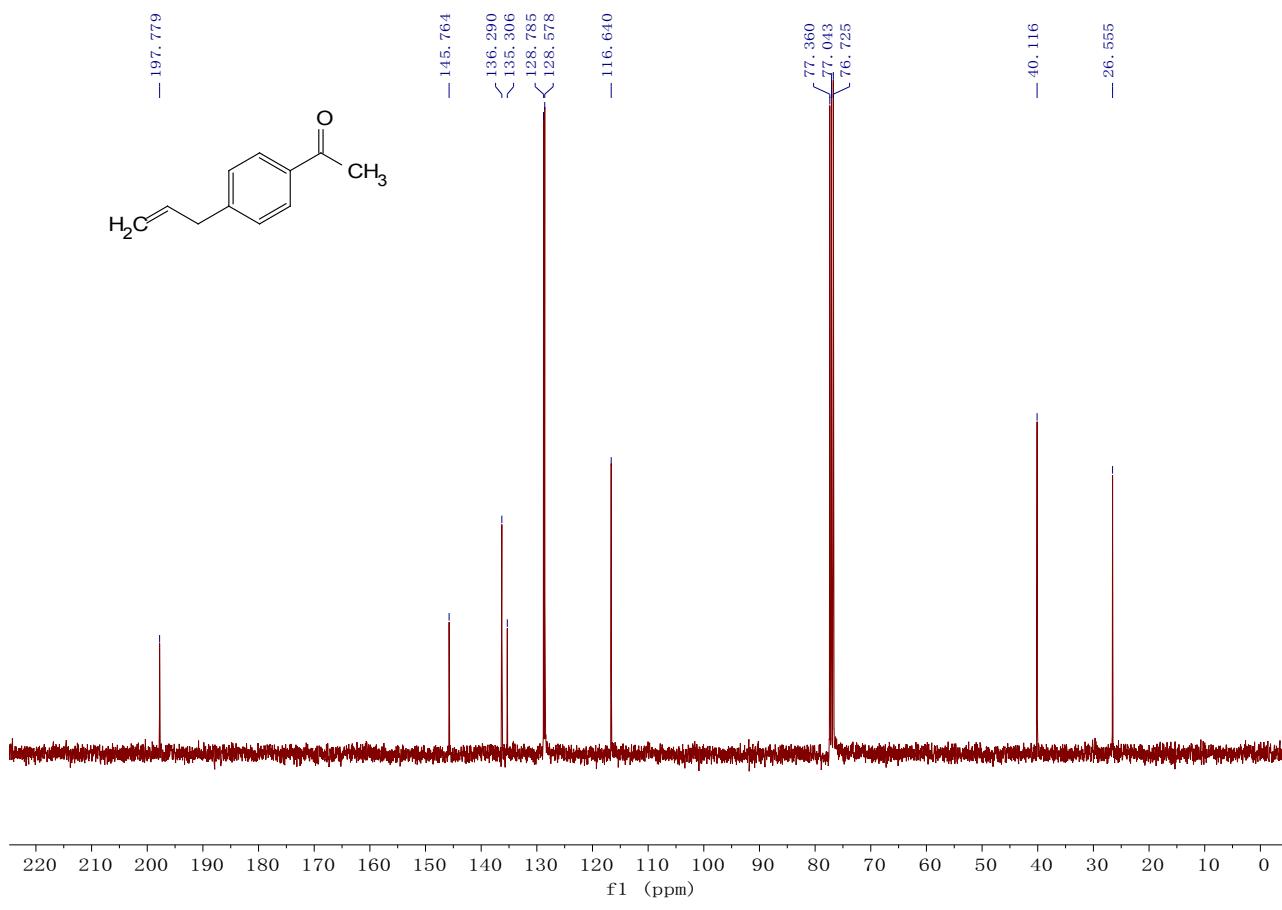
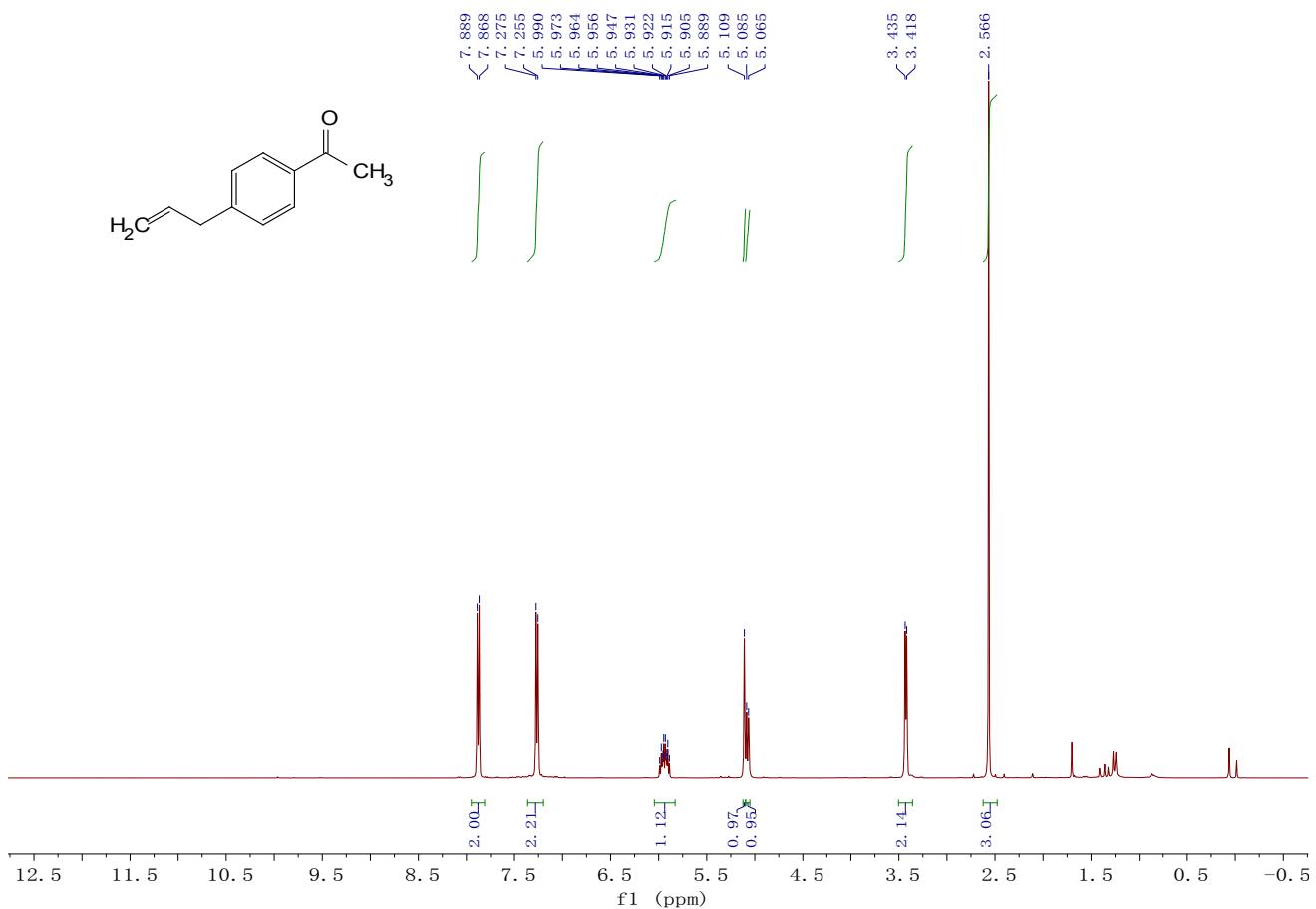


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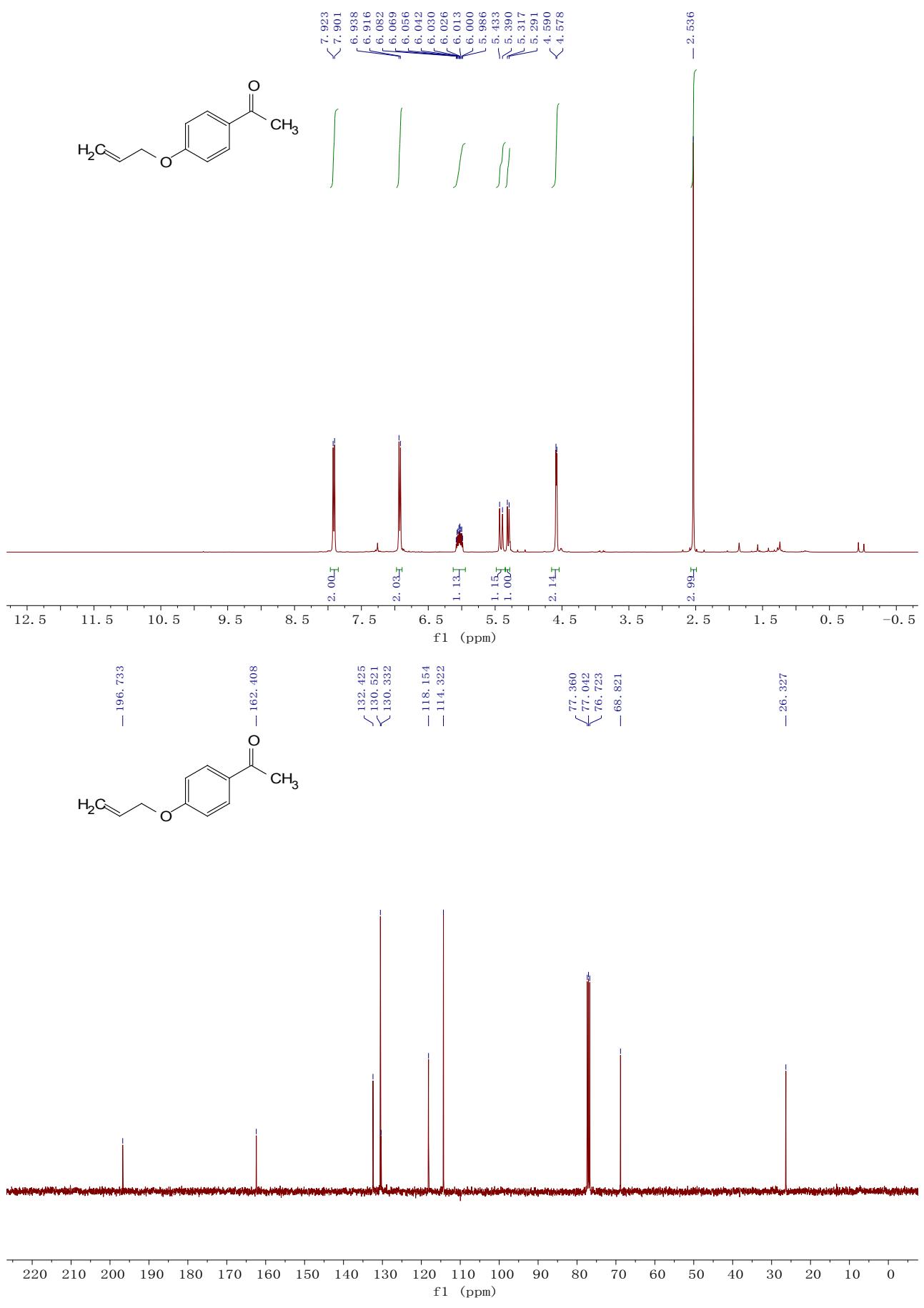




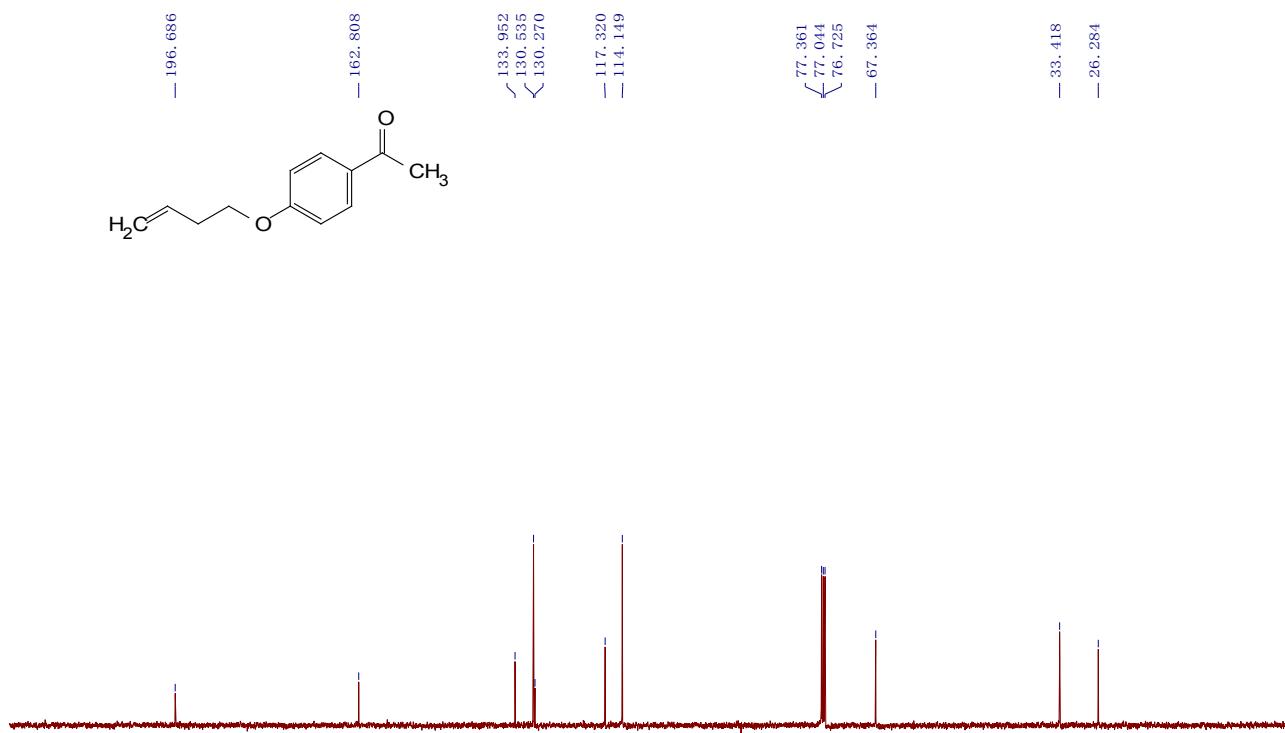
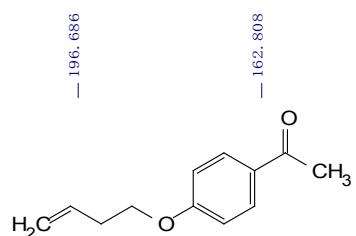
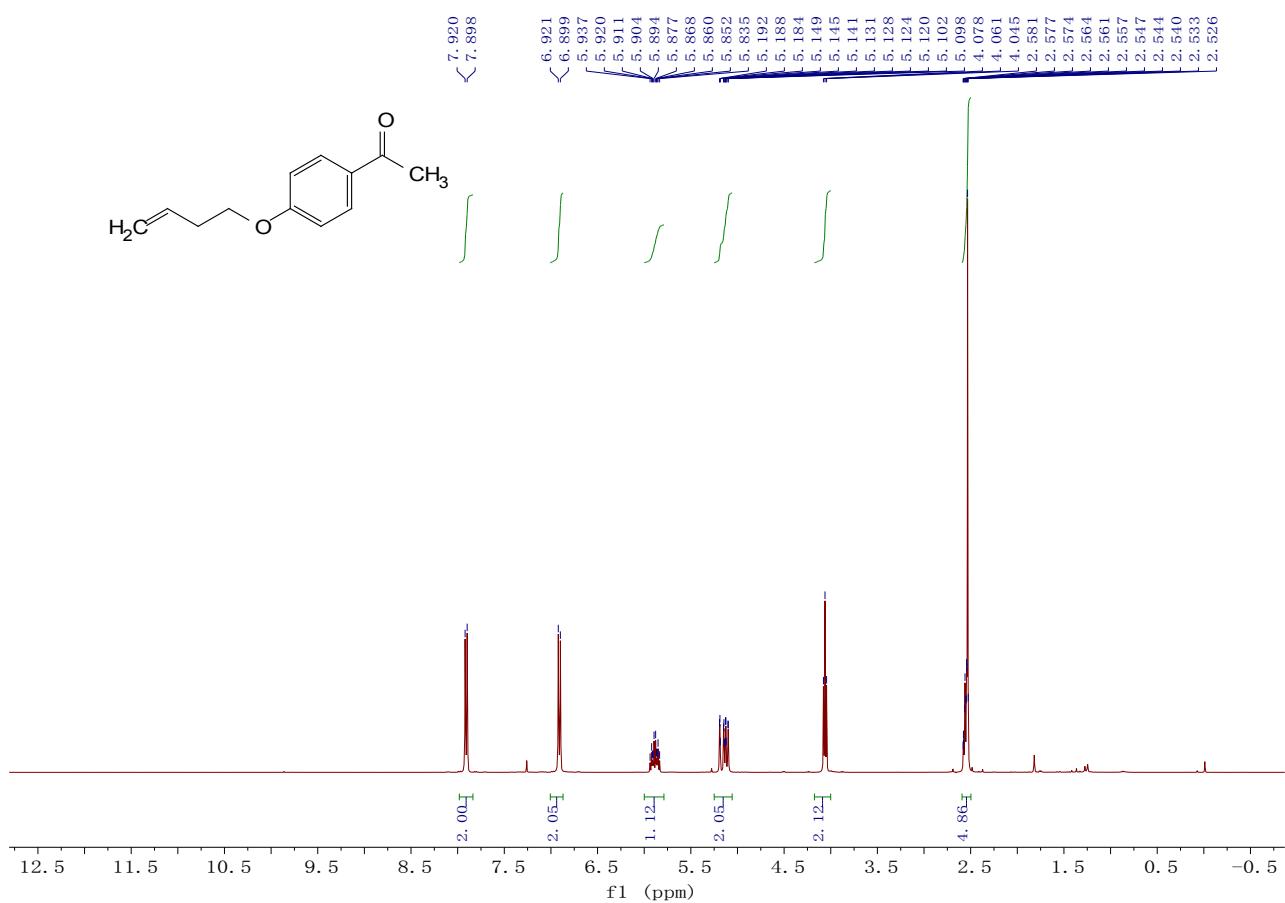
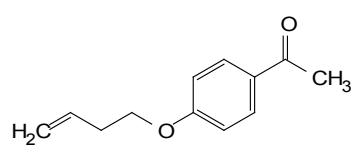
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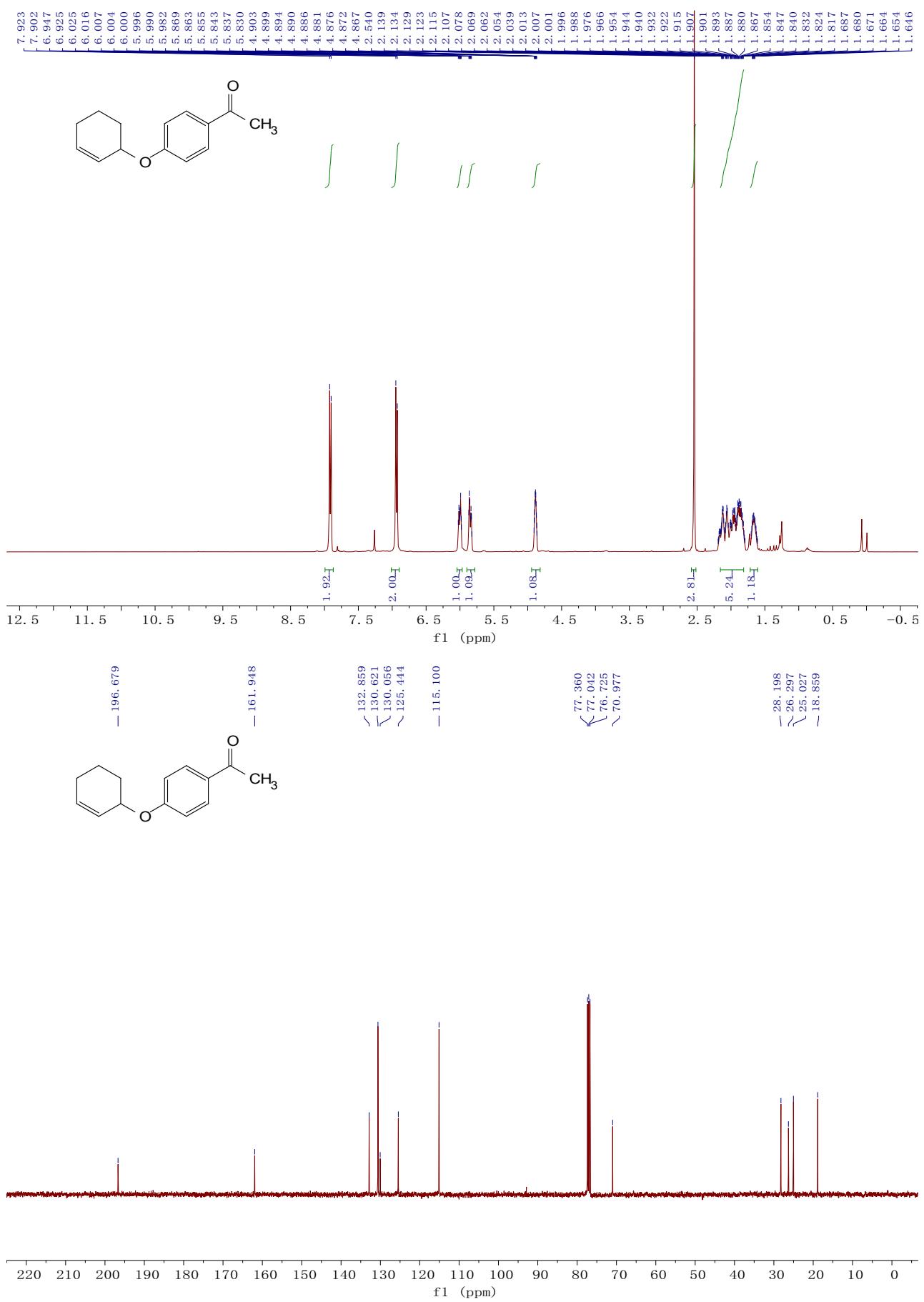
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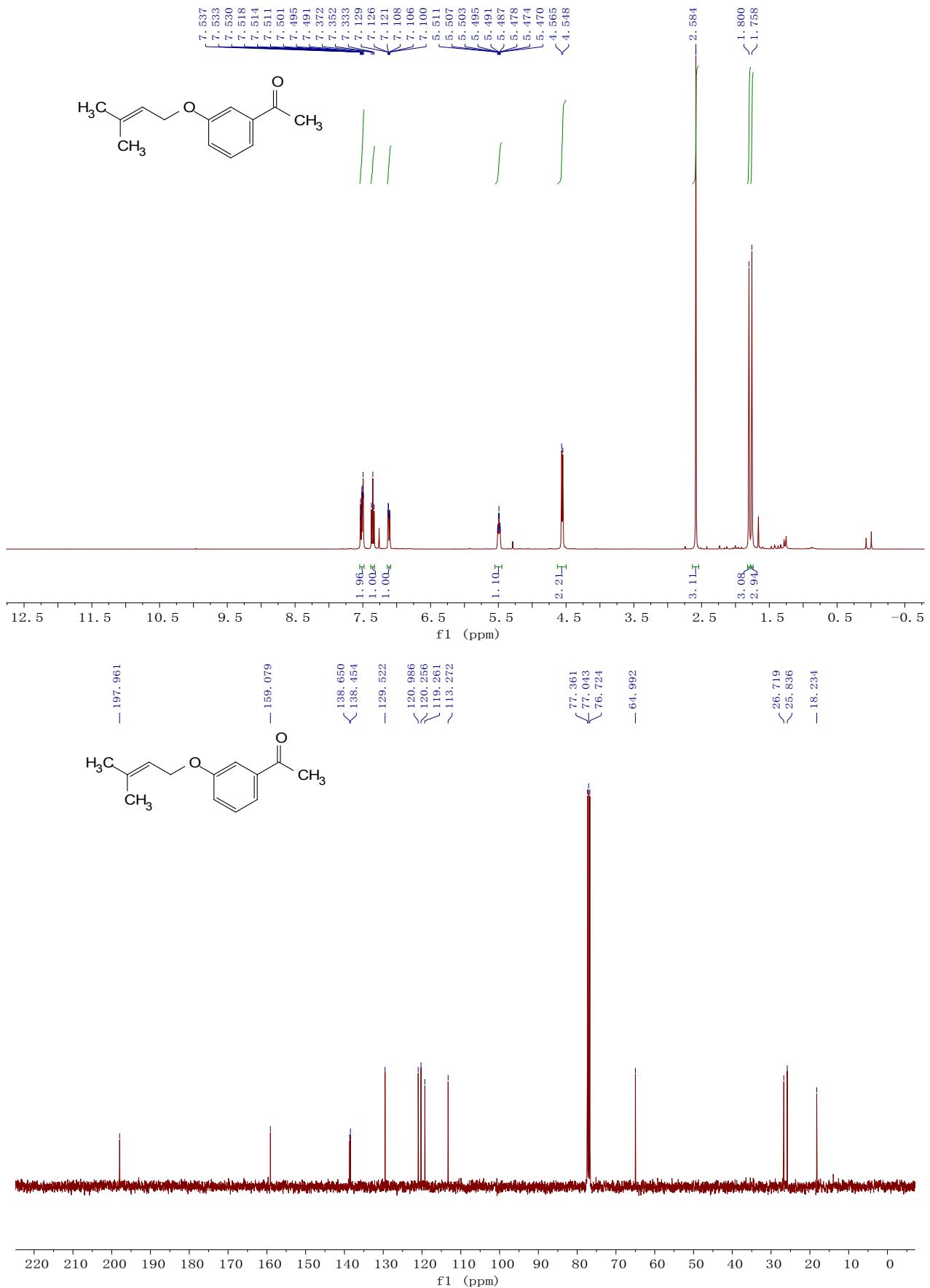
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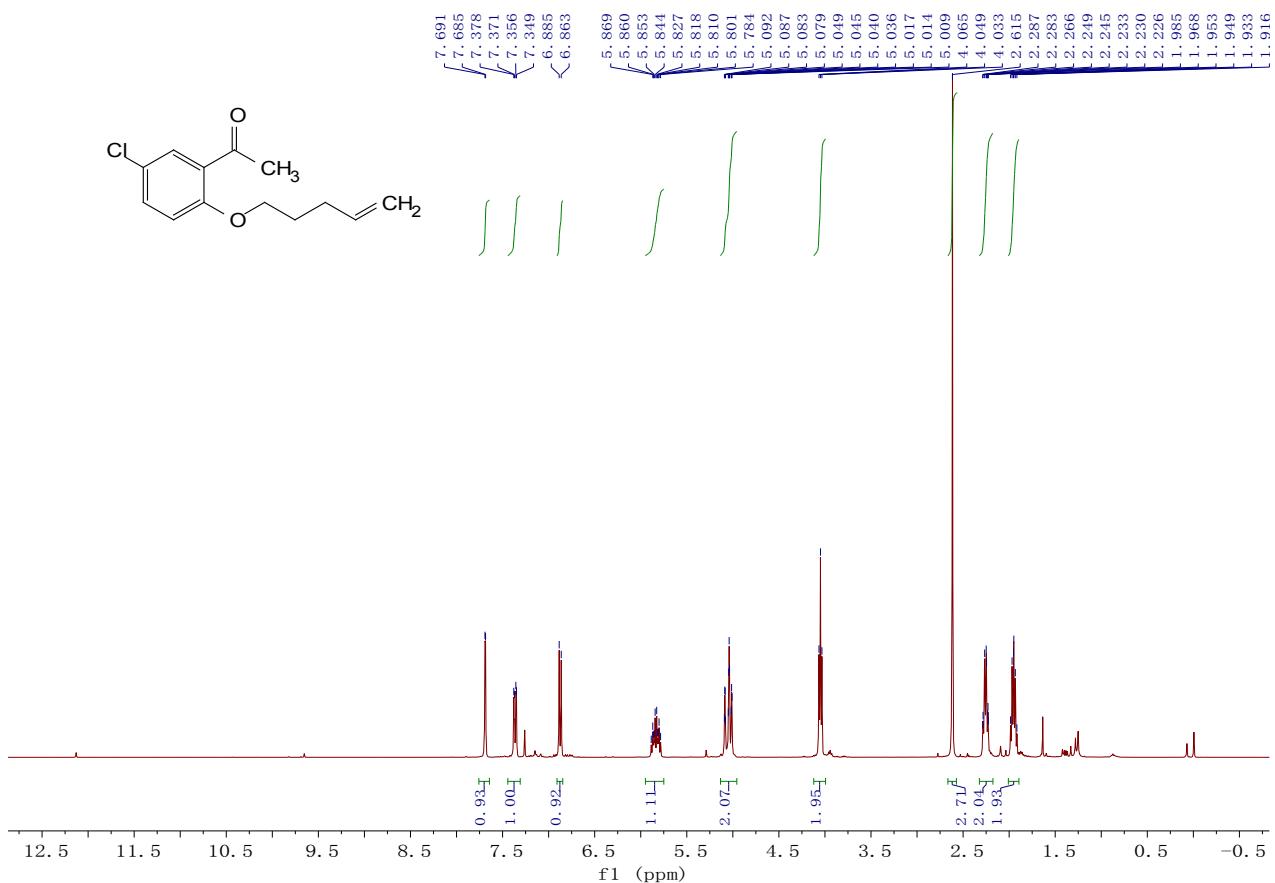
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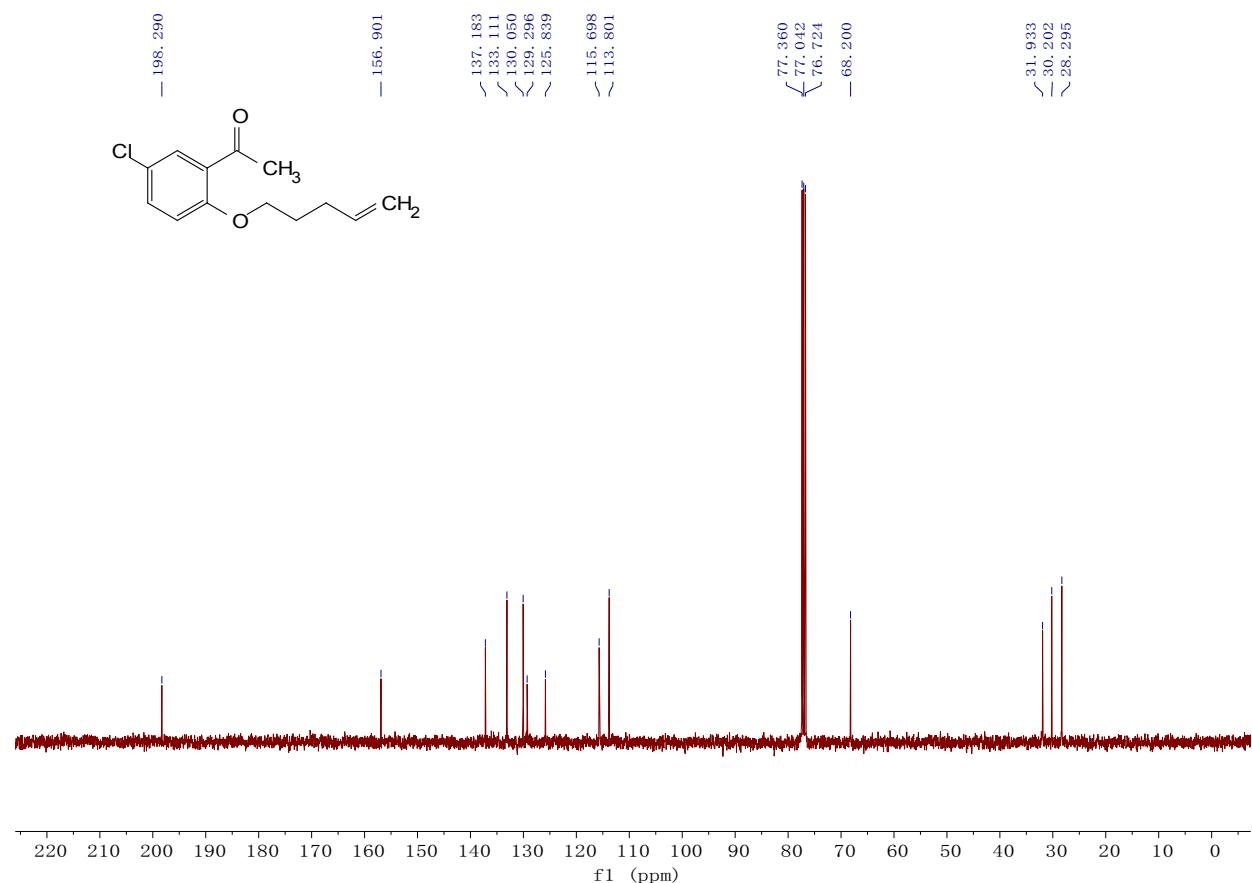


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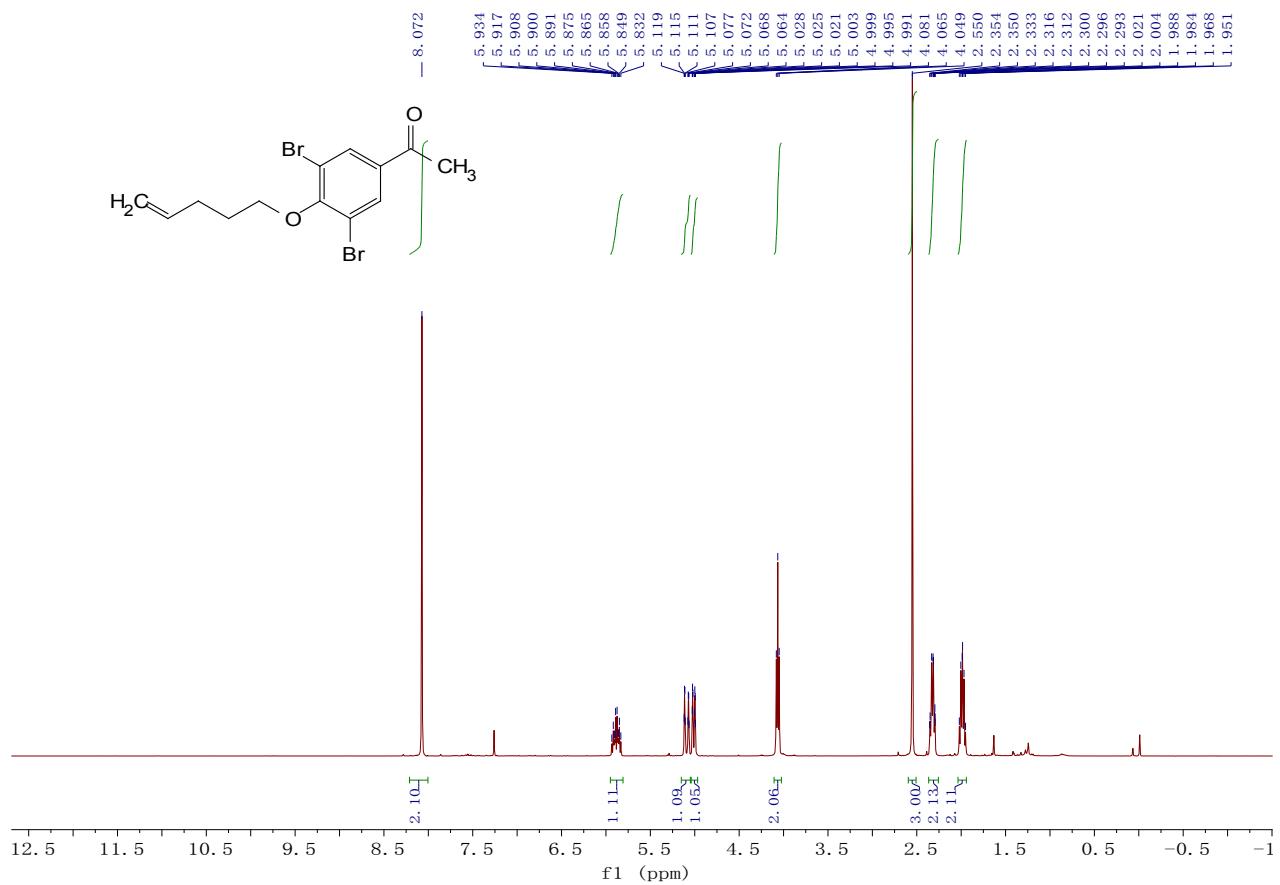


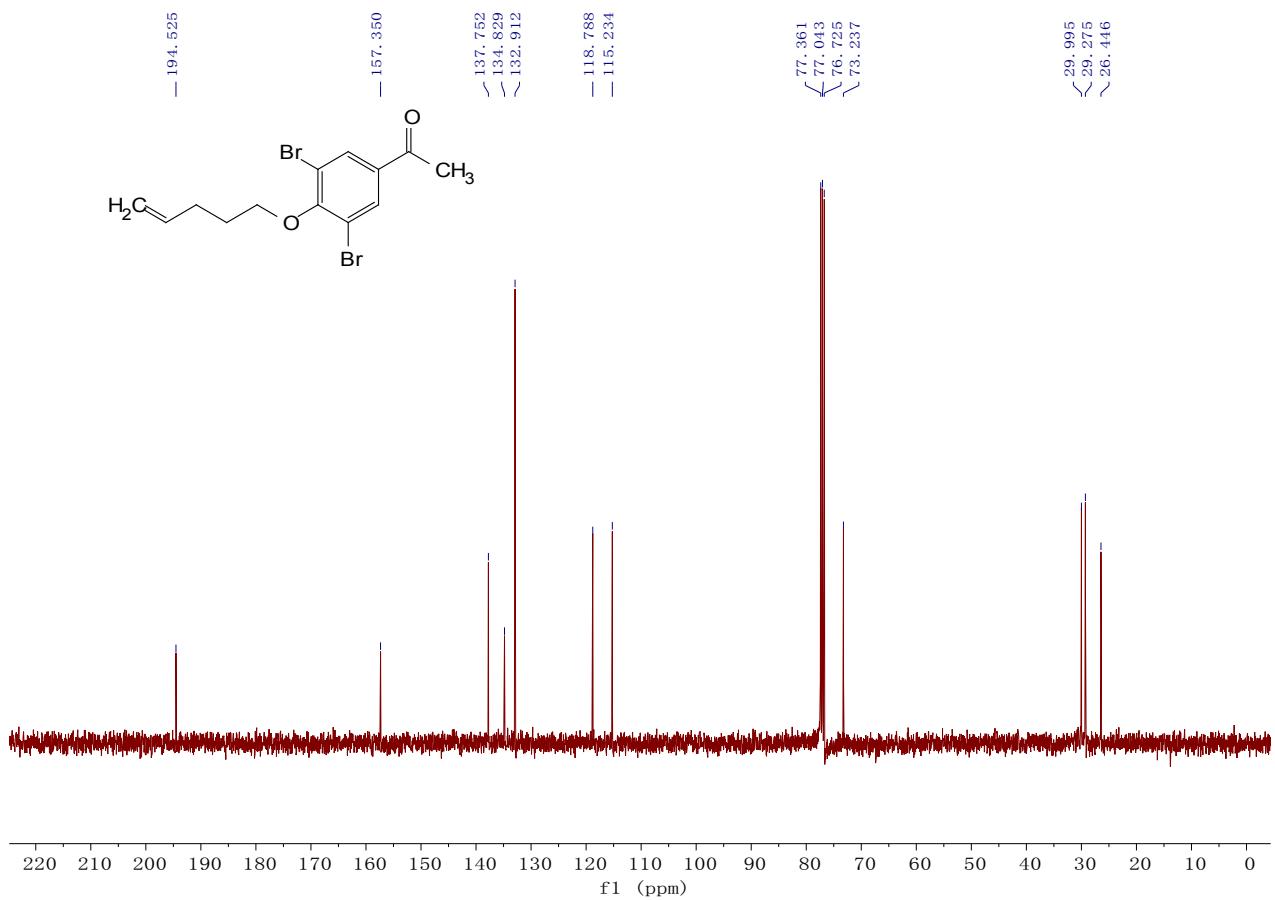
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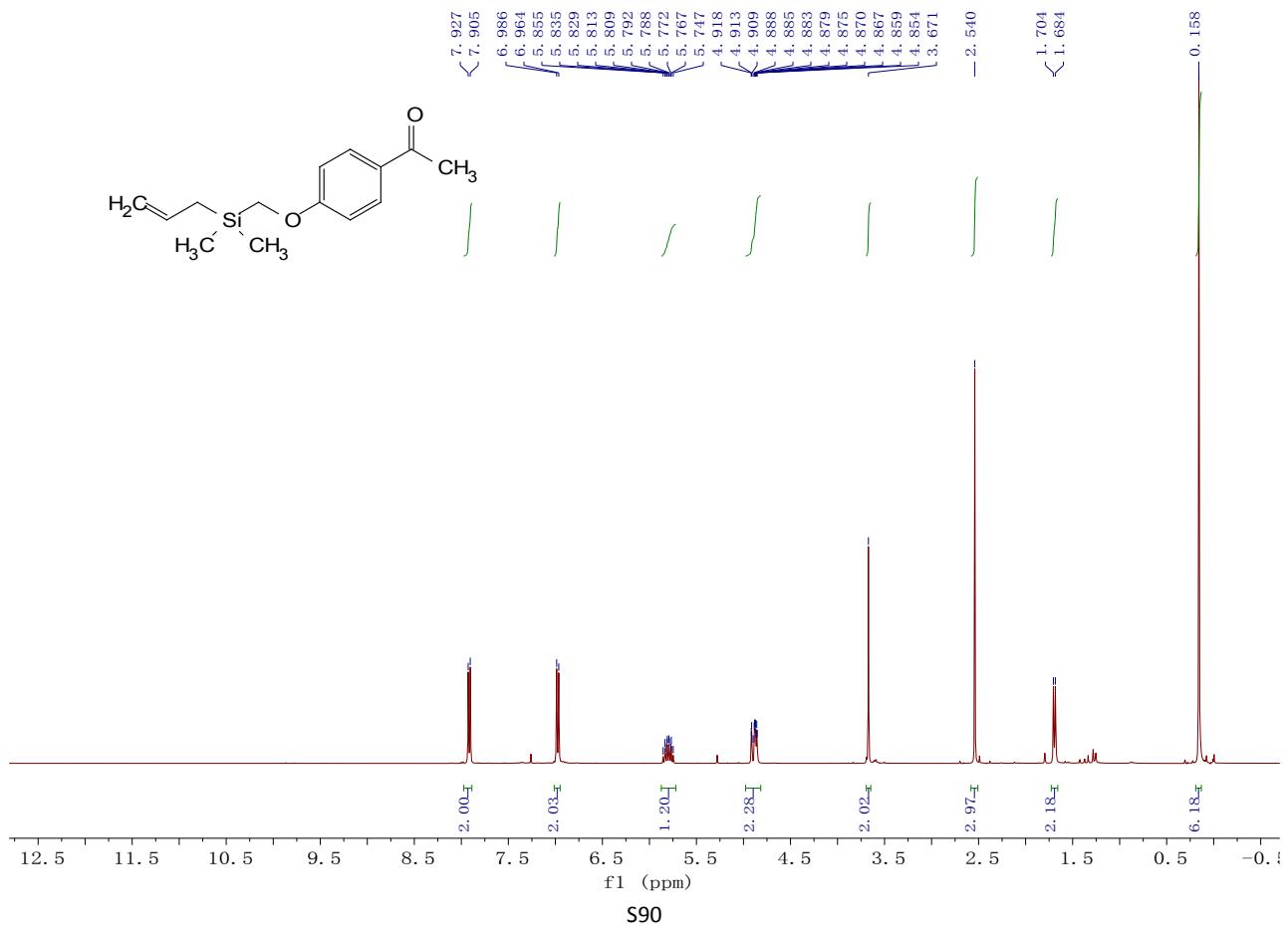


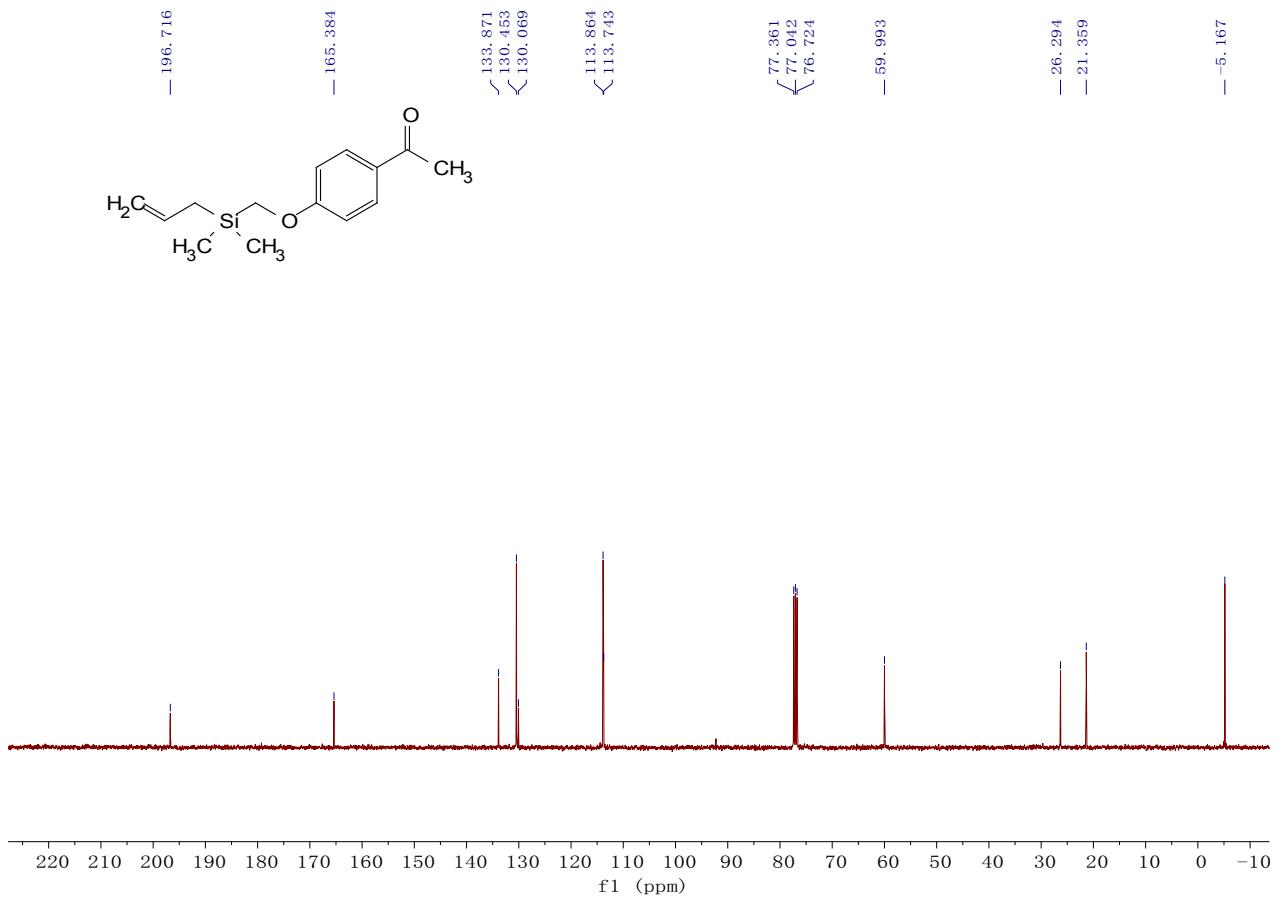
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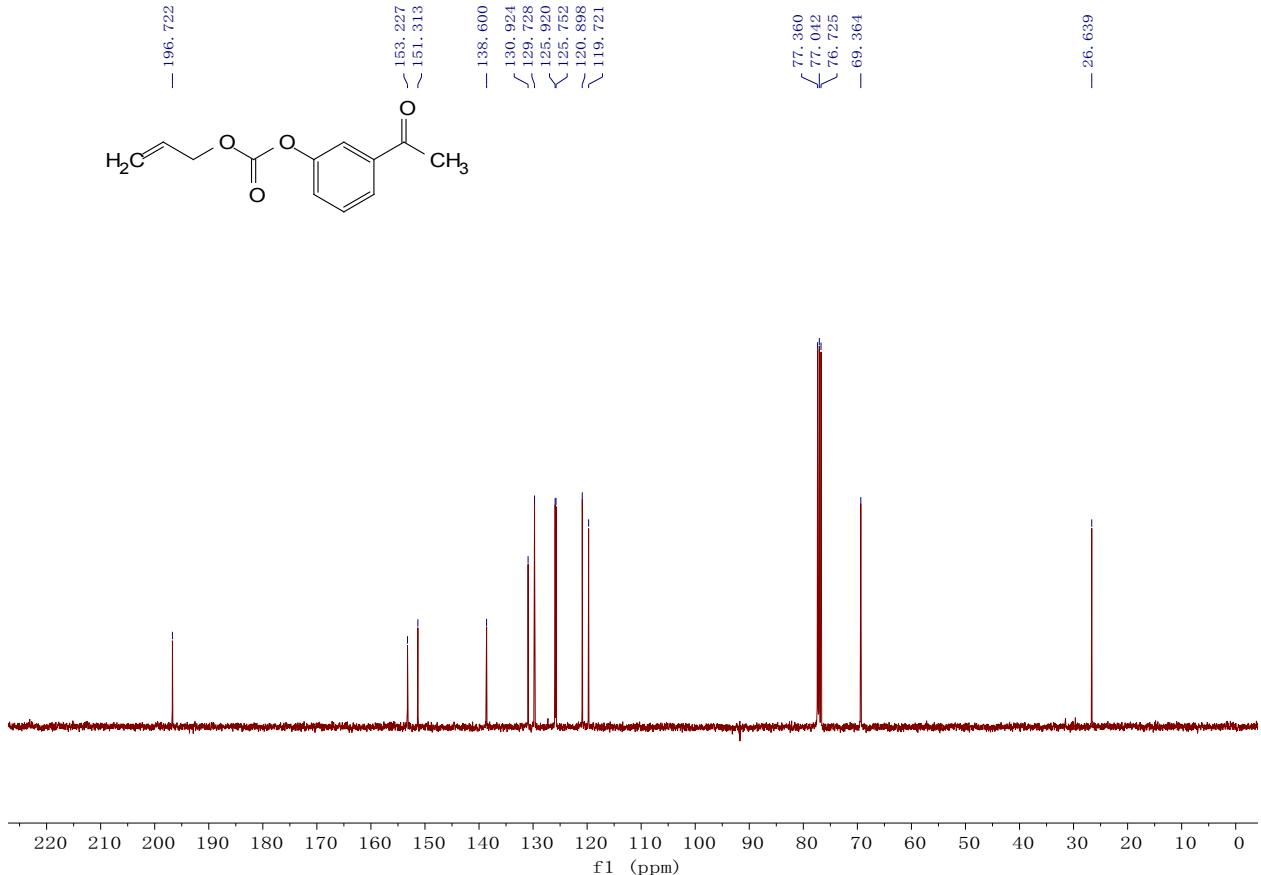
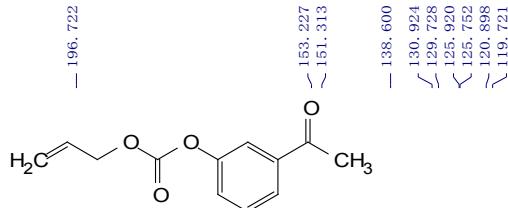
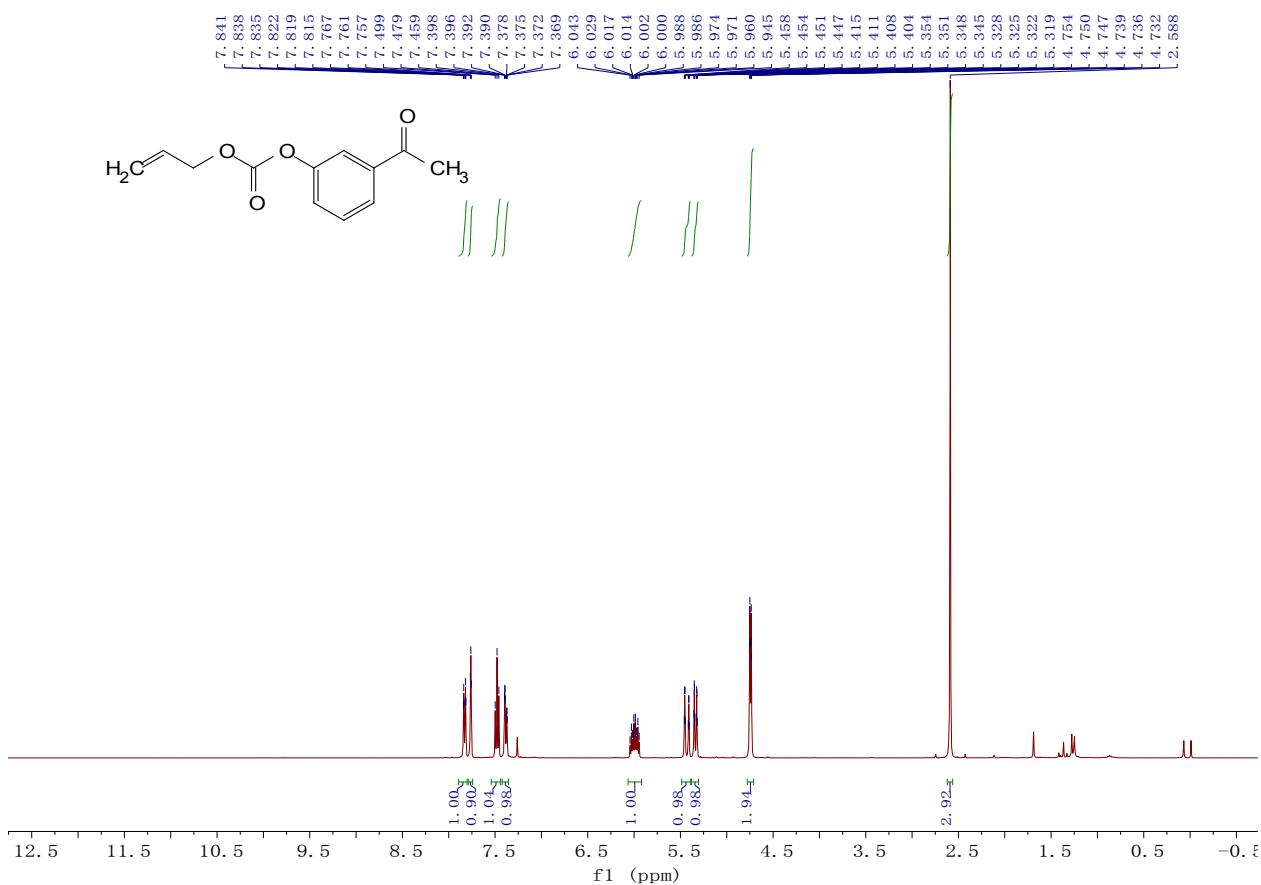


1-(4-((Allyldimethylsilyl)methoxy)phenyl)ethan-1-one (37)

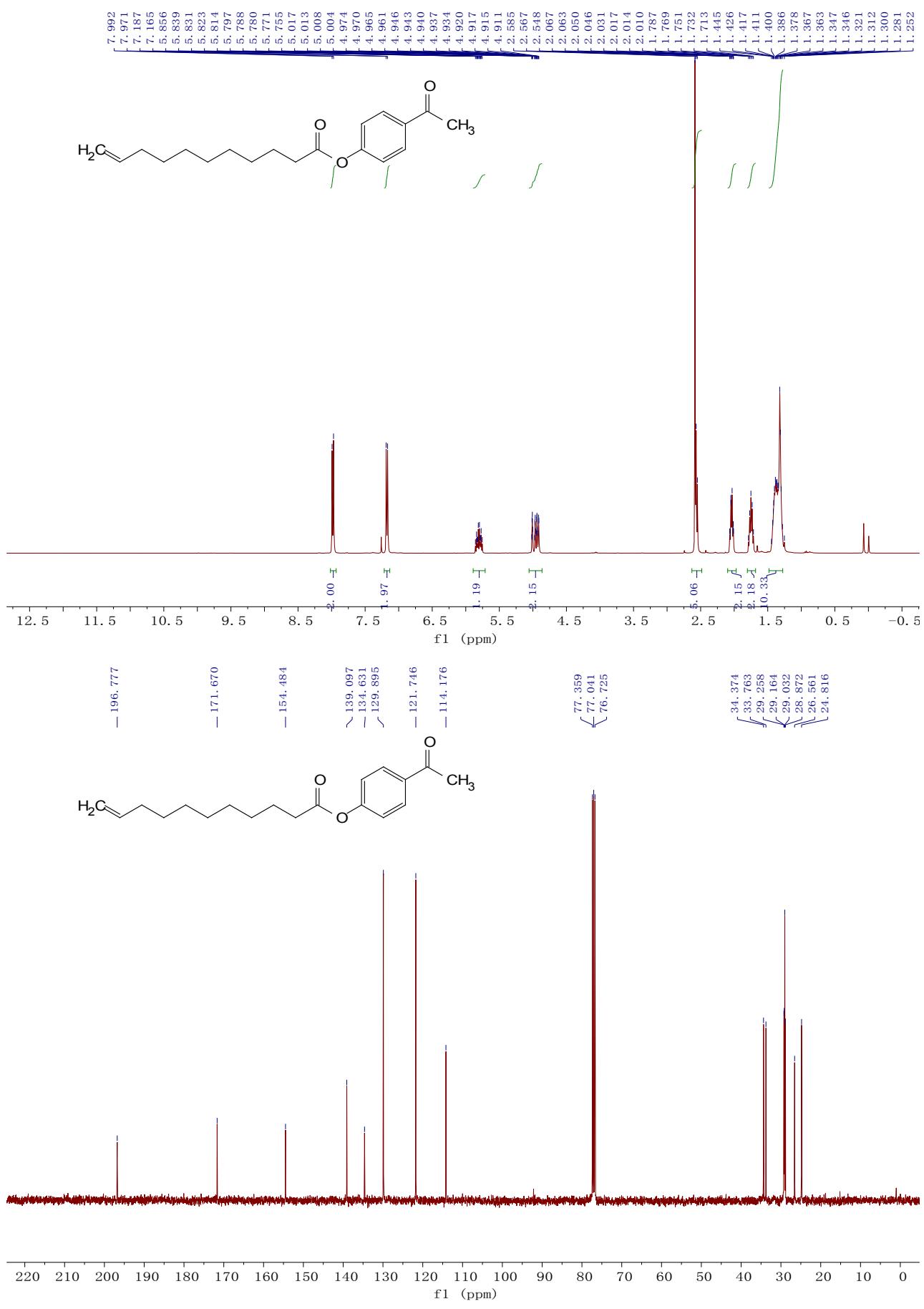




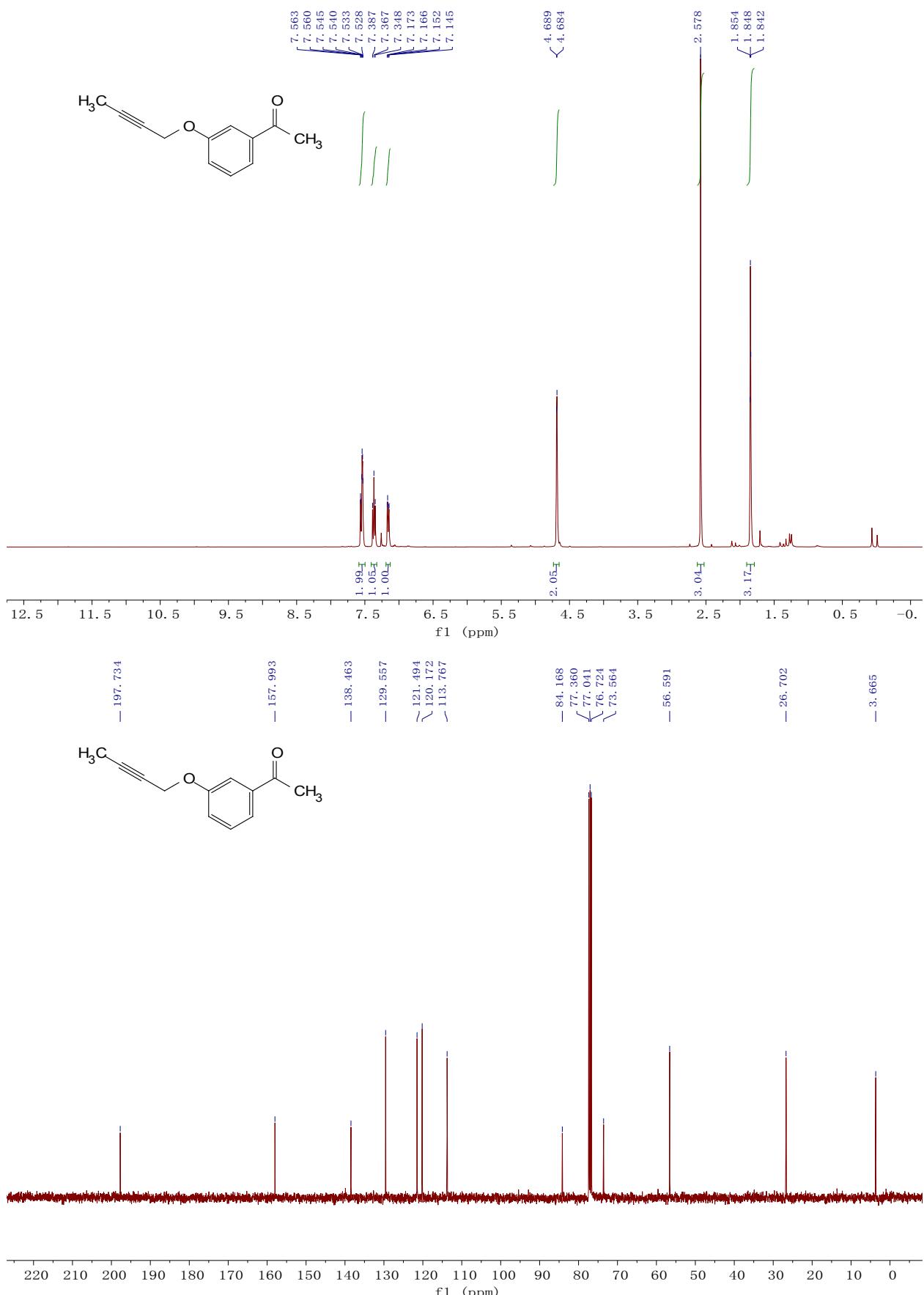
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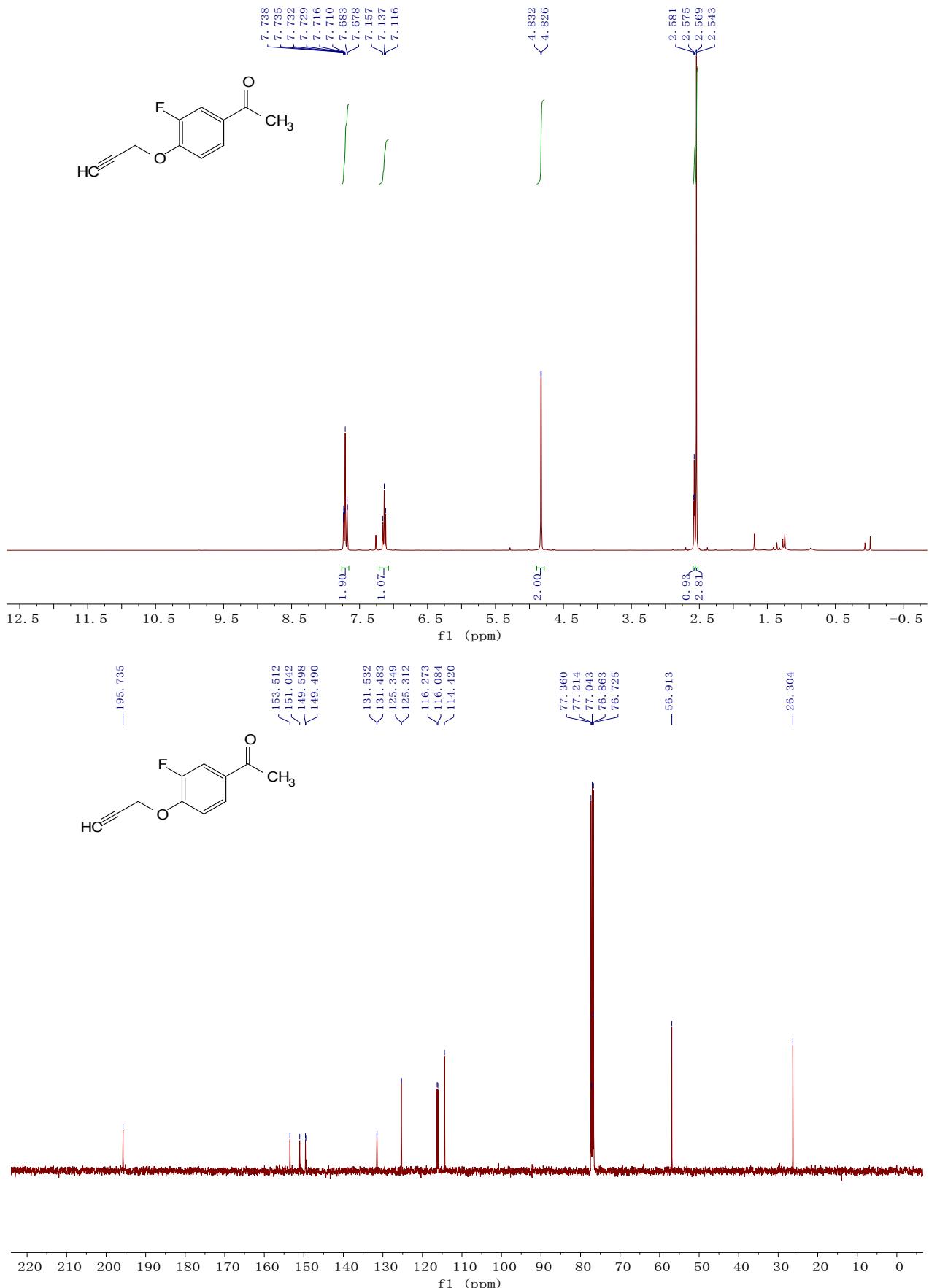
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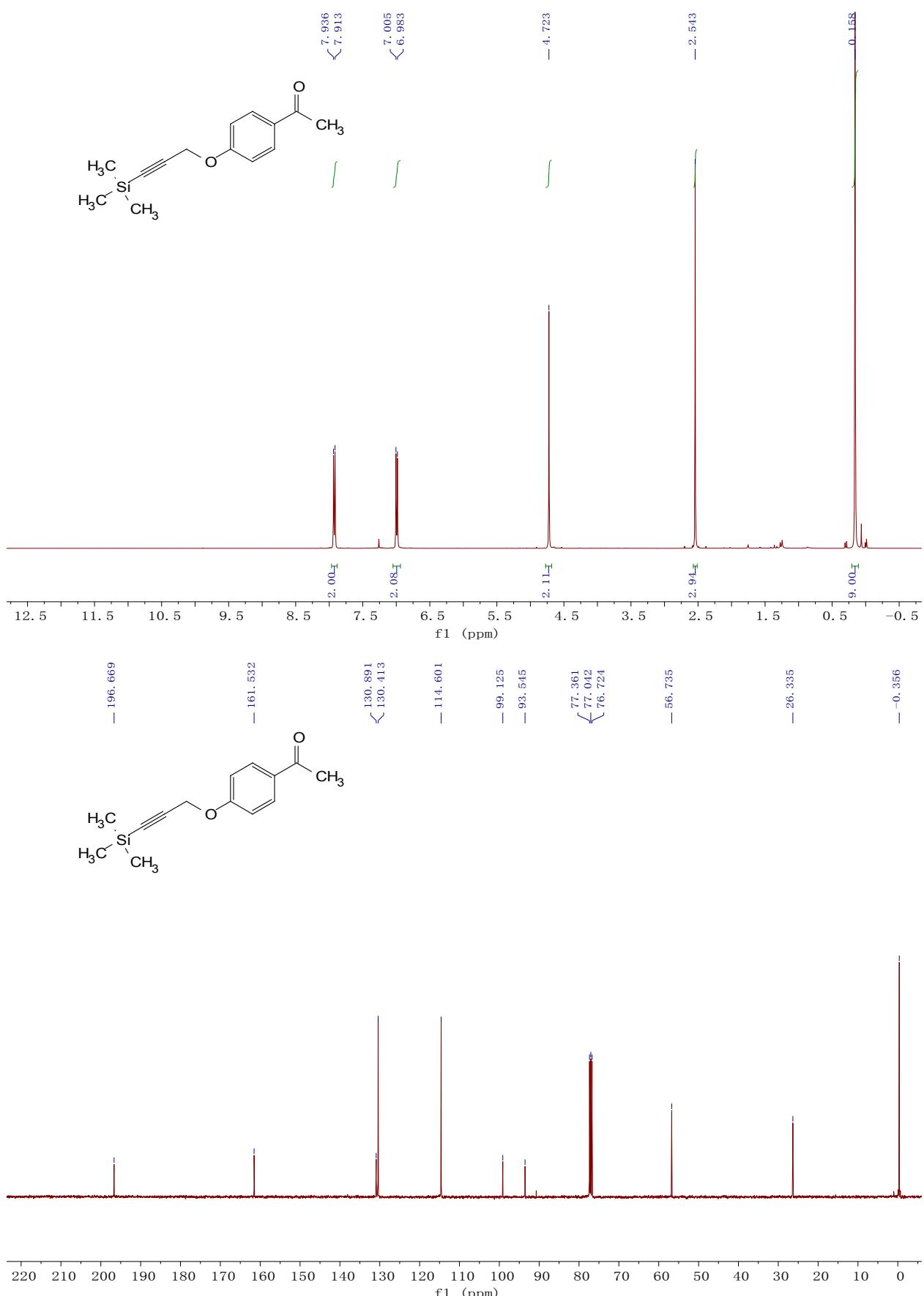
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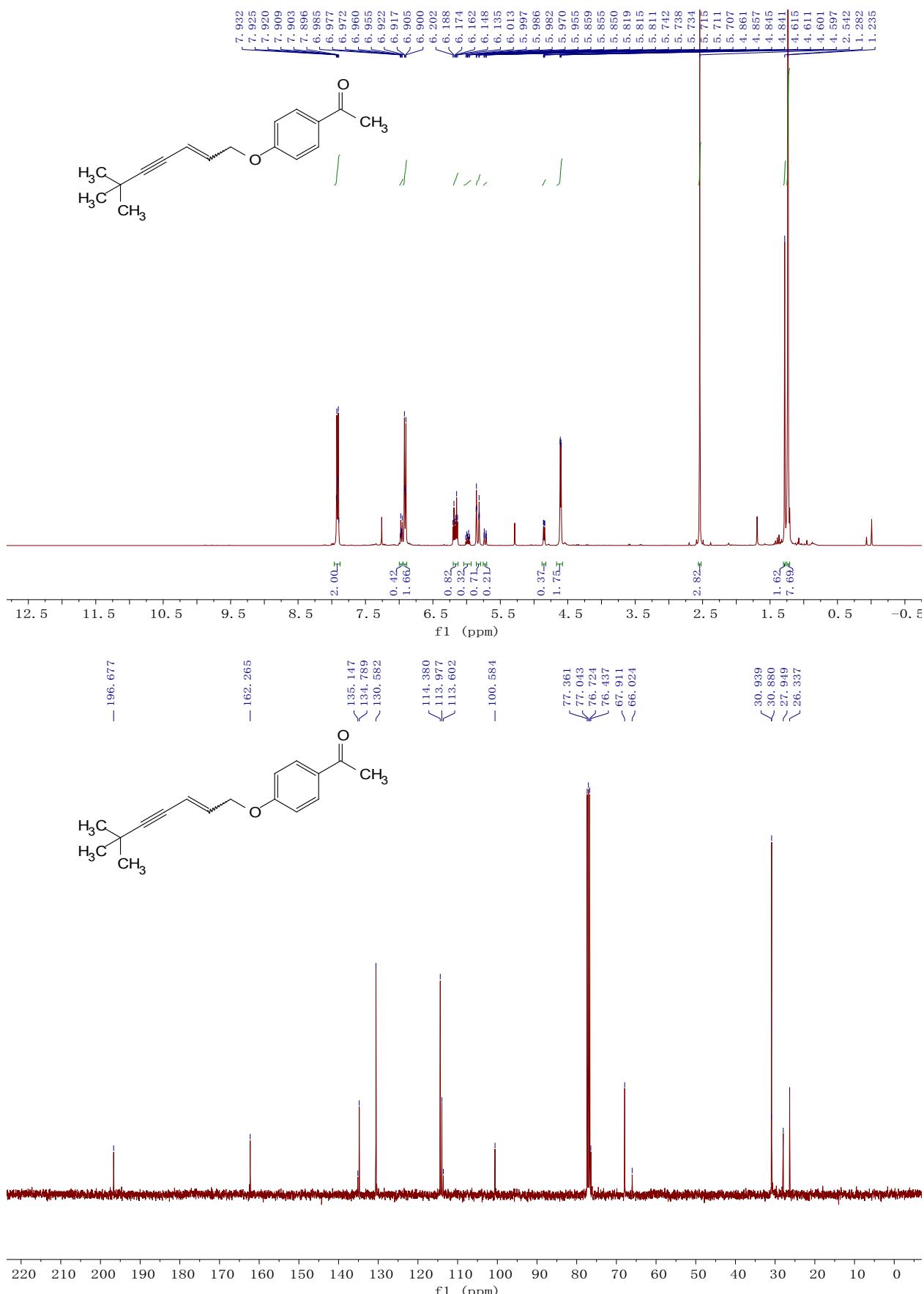
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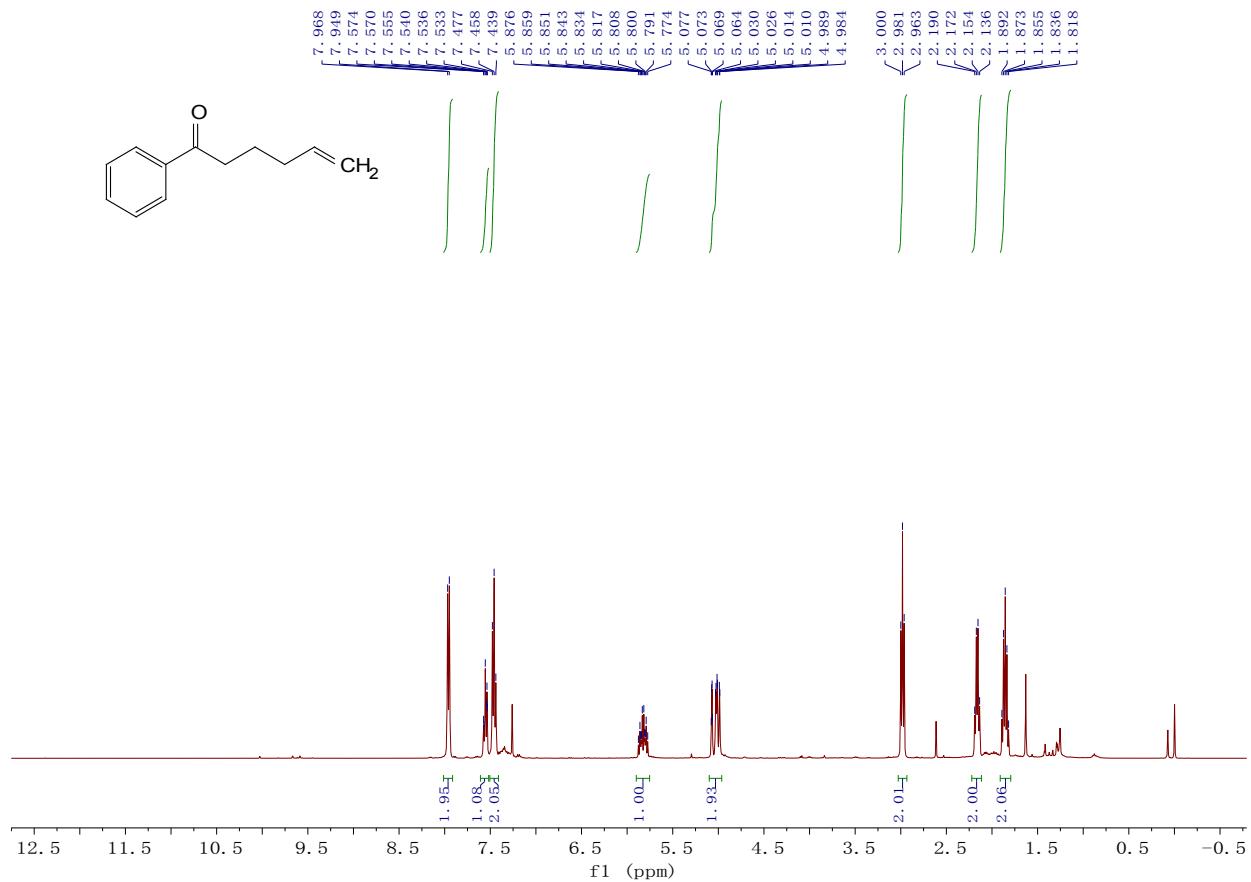
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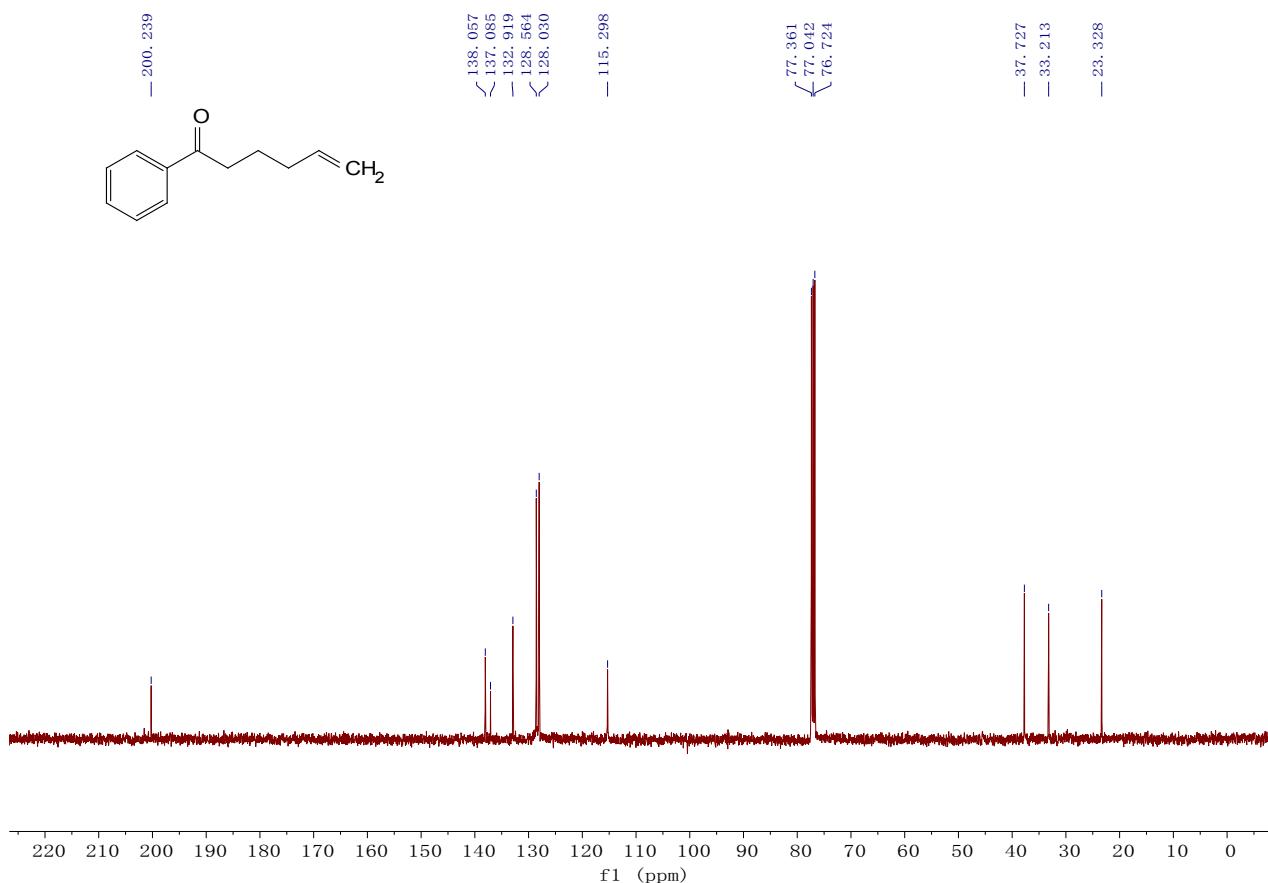


1-((4-((6,6-Dimethylhept-2-en-4-yn-1-yl)oxy)phenyl)ethan-1-one (43)

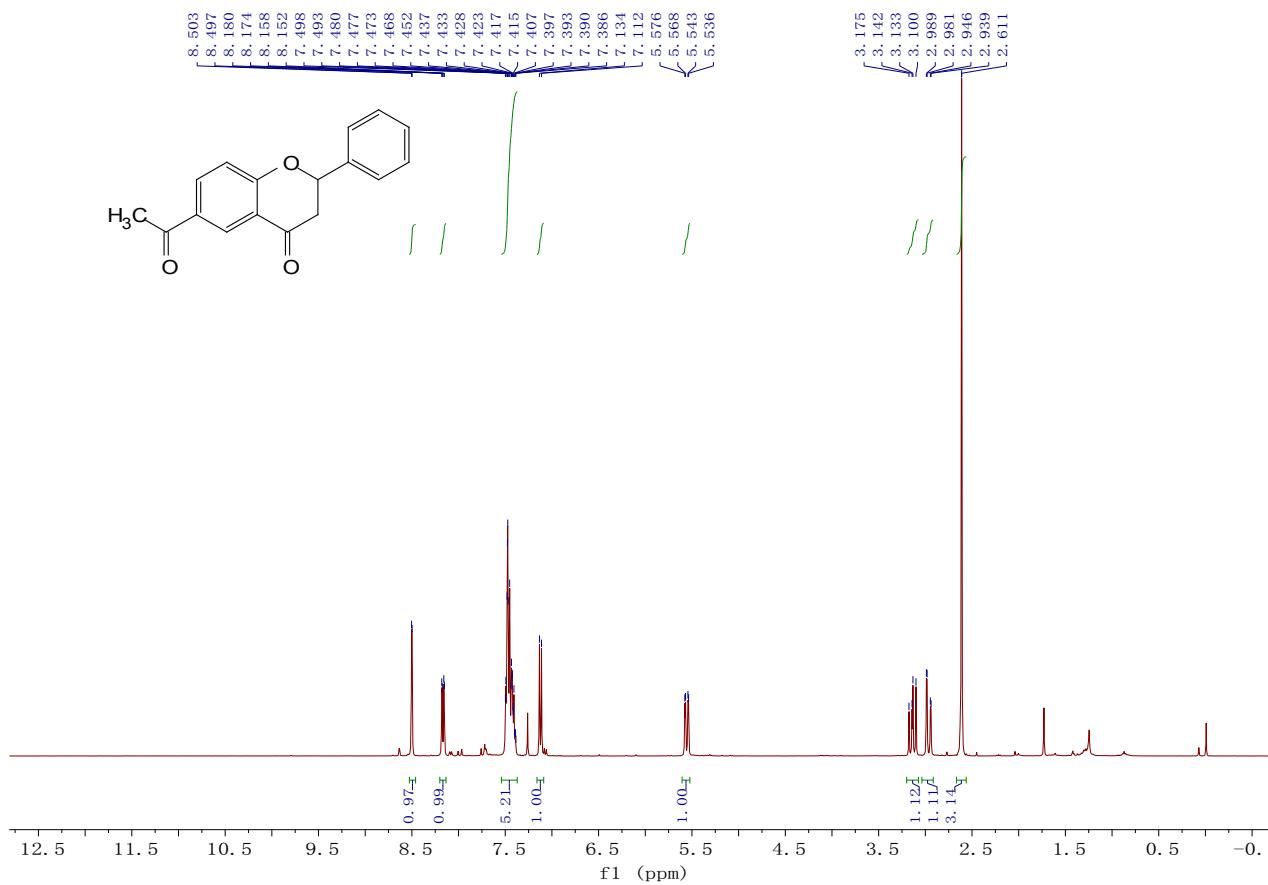


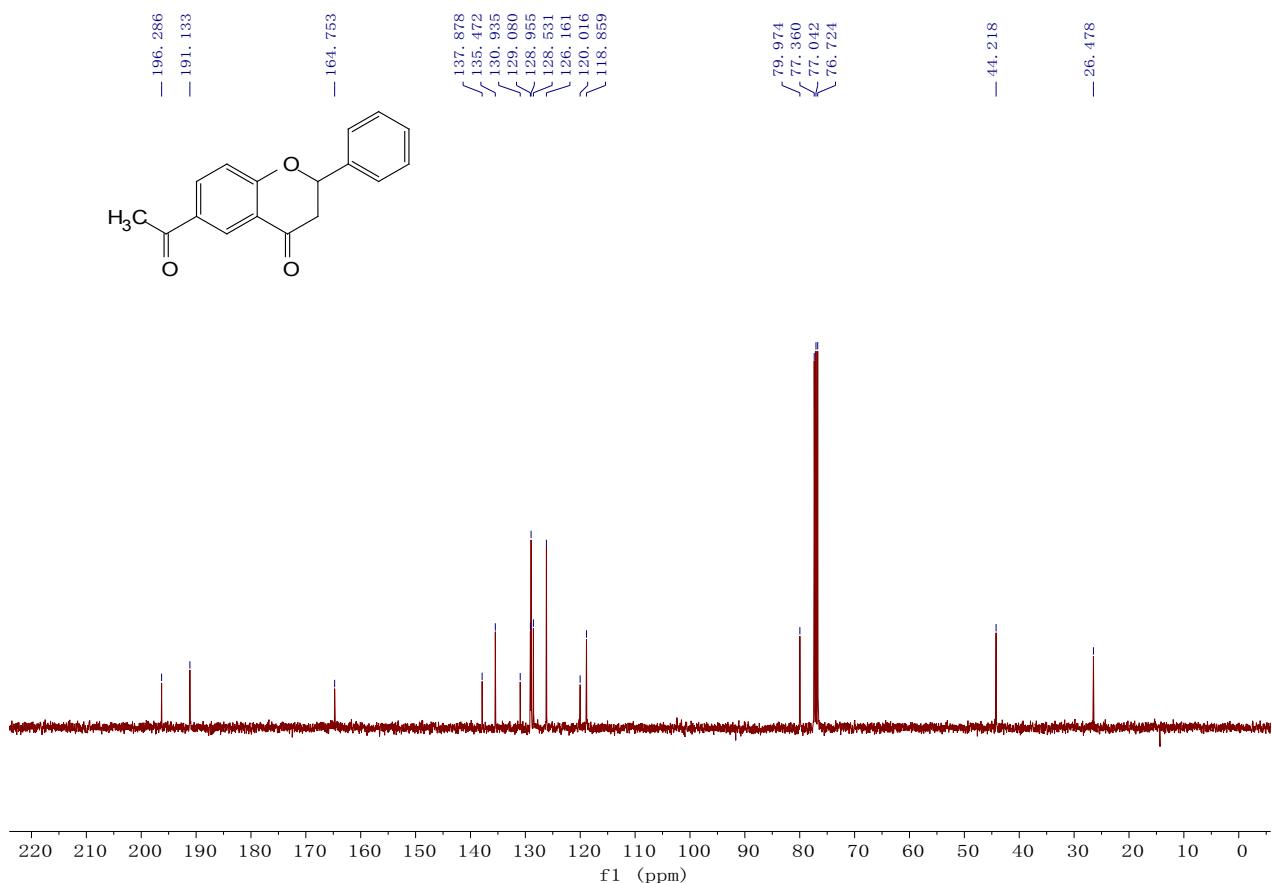
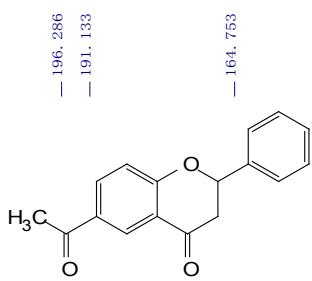
1-Phenylhex-5-en-1-one (44)



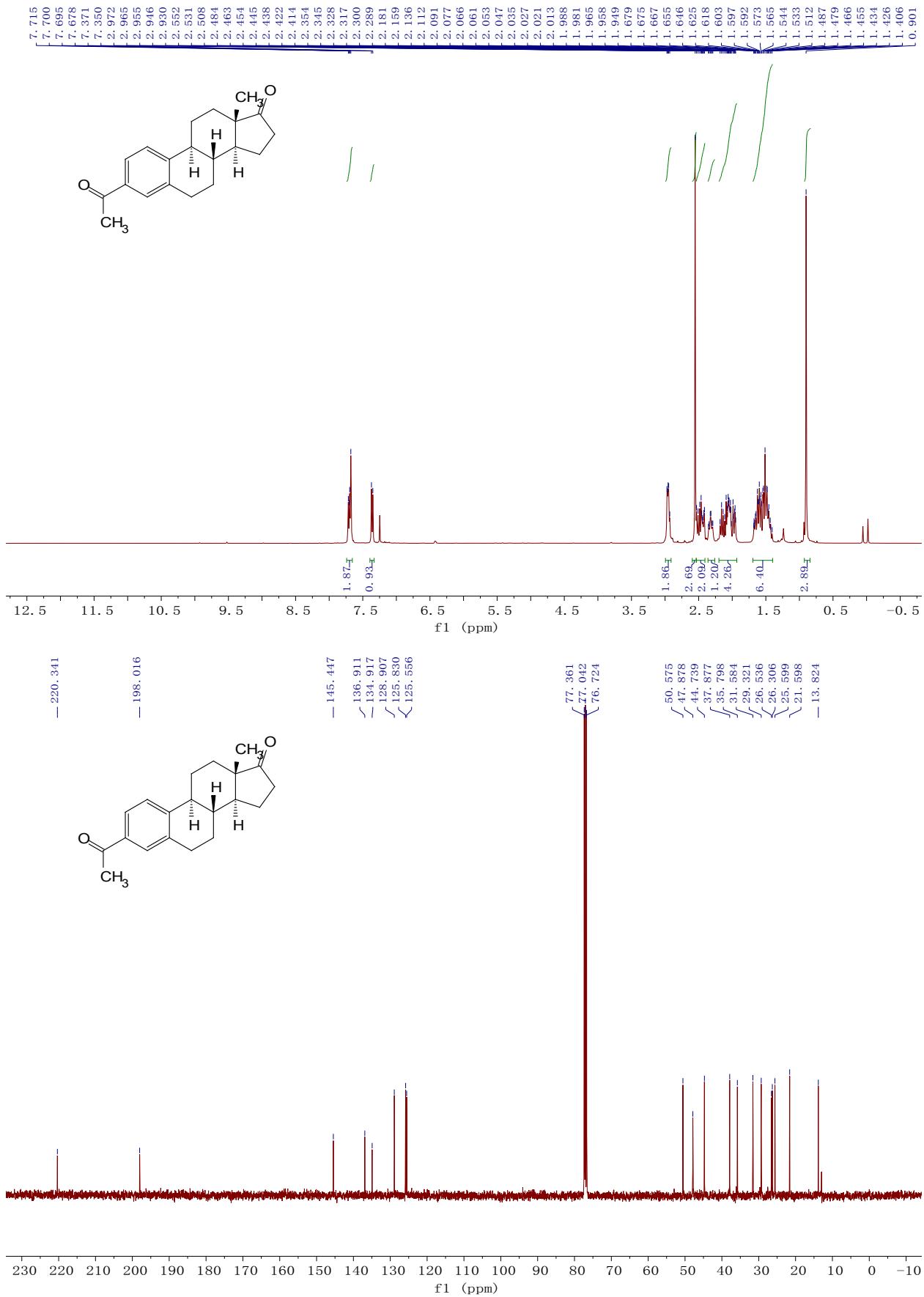


6-Acetyl-2-phenylchroman-4-one (45)

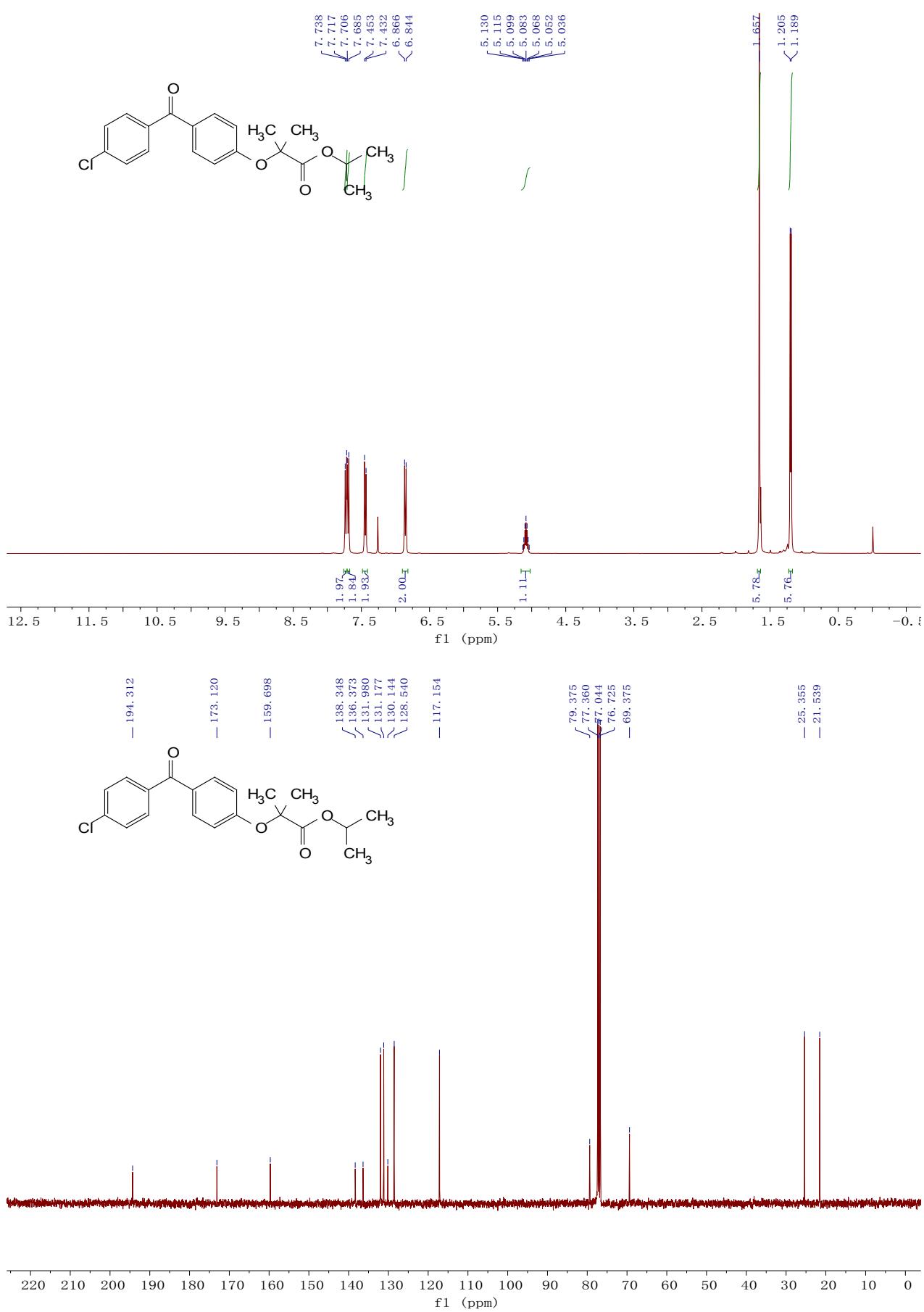




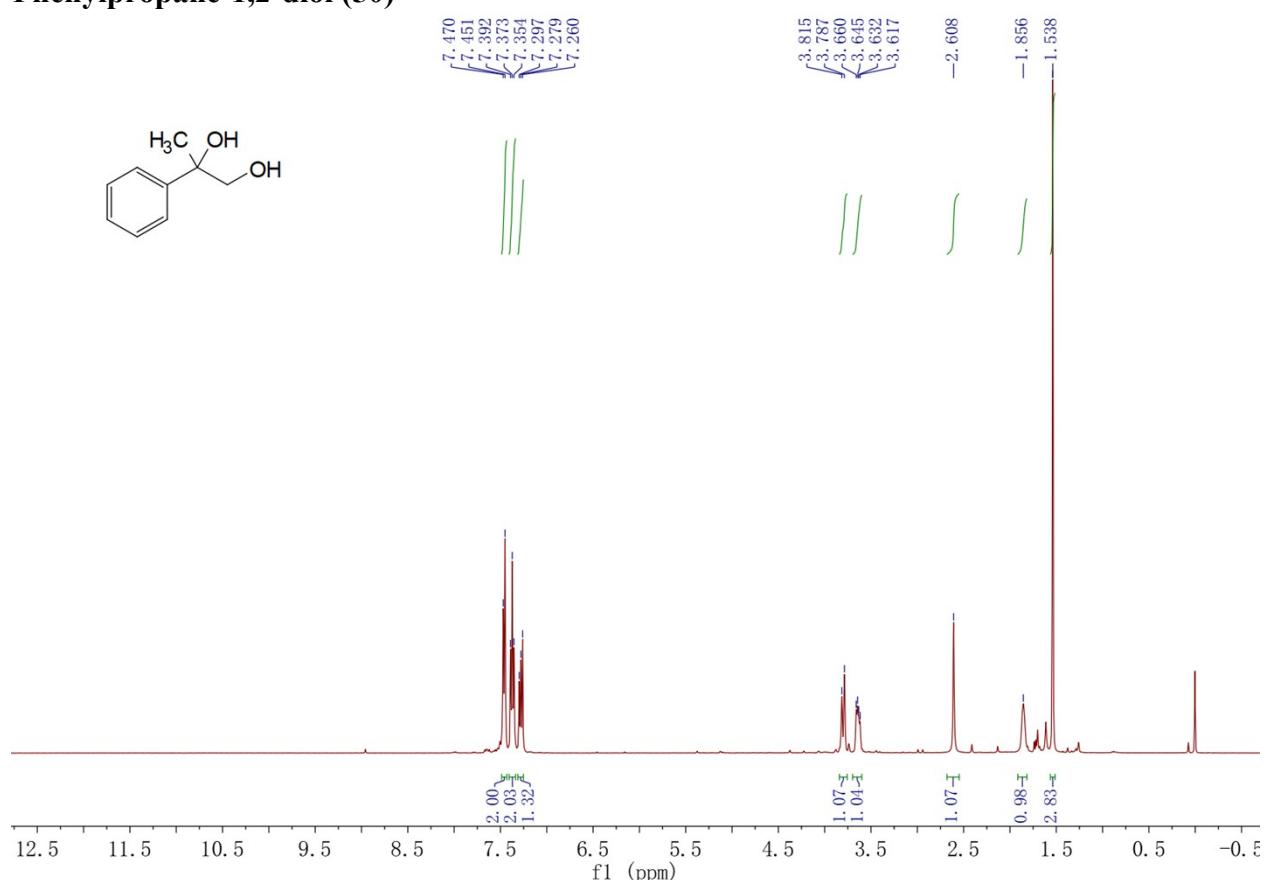
(8R,9S,13S,14S)-3-Acetyl-13-methyl-6,7,8,9,11,12,13,14,15,16-decahydro-17H-cyclopenta[a]phenanthren-17-one (46)



Isopropyl 2-(4-(4-chlorobenzoyl)phenoxy)-2-methylpropanoate (47)



2-Phenylpropane-1,2-diol (50)



Bis(2-(diphenylphosphoryl)cyclopenta-2,4-dien-1-yl)iron (Fe5)

