

Highly diastereoselective synthesis of cyclopropane-fused spiropseudoindoxyl derivatives through [2 + 1] annulation of 2- ylideneoxindoles and sulfonium bromides

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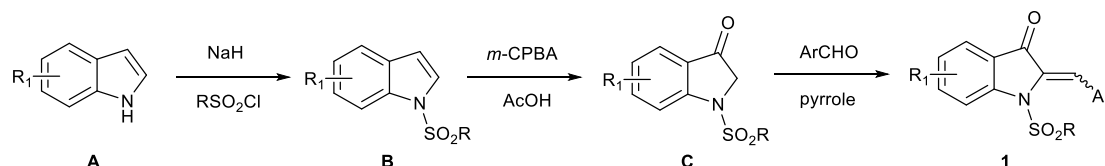
1. General Information

NMR data were obtained for ^1H at 400 MHz and 600 MHz, and for ^{13}C at 100 MHz and 150 MHz. Chemical shifts are reported in ppm from tetramethylsilane with the solvent resonance in CDCl_3 solution as the internal standard. Mass spectra were recorded using ESI as the ionization method. ESI-HRMS spectra were measured with a QTOF instrument. UV detection was performed at 254 nm. Column chromatography was performed on silica gel (200-300 mesh) using an eluent of ethyl acetate and petroleum ether. TLC was performed on glass-backed silica plates; products were visualized using UV light. All reagents and solvents were obtained from commercial sources and used without further purification. 2-Ylideneoxindole **1**^[1-2] and sulfonium bromide **2**^[3] were prepared according to the literature procedures.

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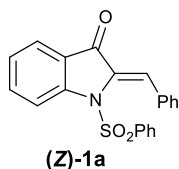
2. General Procedure for the Synthesis of (Z)-2-ylideneoxindoles **1**



Sodium hydride (1.5 equiv) was added to indole **A** (1.0 equiv) in THF while cooling with an ice bath and the mixture was stirred for 0.5 h at this temperature. Then benzenesulfonyl chloride or methanesulfonyl chloride (1.35 equiv) was added and the mixture was stirred at RT. After indole **A** was consumed (monitored by TLC), the reaction mixture was combined with water and extracted three times with EtOAc. The combined organic phase was dried on sodium sulphate and evaporated down. the residue was purified by flash chromatography (PE:EtOAc = 35:1) on silica gel to give sulfonyl-protected intermediate **B**.^[1]

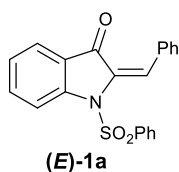
The protected indole **B** (1.0 equiv) and *m*-CPBA (1.05 equiv) were dissolved in glacial acetic acid, and the solution was refluxed for 2.5 h at 125 °C. After cooling, the bulk of the solvent was removed by vacuum distillation, then methylene dichloride and water were added. The resulting suspension was treated with solid sodium bicarbonate until gas evolution ceased. The mixture was extracted three times with methylene dichloride. The combined organic phase was dried on sodium sulphate and evaporated down. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (PE:EtOAc = 17:1 to 15:1) on silica gel to give sulfonyl-protected-indolin-3-one **C**.^[2]

The indolin-3-one **C** (1.0 mmol, 1 equiv) and aromatic aldehyde (1.2 mmol, 1.2 equiv) were stirred at 60 °C with pyrrole (0.4 mmol, 0.4 equiv) in toluene. After compound **C** was consumed (monitored by TLC), the reaction mixture was purified by flash chromatography (PE:EtOAc = 18:1) on silica gel to give the corresponding compound **1**, which was further analyzed by ¹H-NMR, ¹³C-HMR, and HRMS. The major isomer with *Z* configuration and minor isomer with *E* configuration were obtained respectively.



(Z)-2-benzylidene-1-(phenylsulfonyl)indolin-3-one ((Z)-1a).

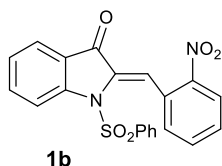
Yellow oil, 243.3 mg, 67% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.07 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.92 (s, 1H), 7.80-7.77 (m, 2H), 7.61-7.57 (m, 1H), 7.53 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.49-7.47 (m, 2H), 7.45-7.42 (m, 1H), 7.35-7.33 (m, 3H), 7.28-7.24 (m, 1H), 7.18 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.16 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H) ppm. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 182.9, 148.4, 136.0, 136.0, 134.1, 133.5, 133.2, 132.2, 131.4, 130.6, 129.1, 128.1, 127.4, 126.6, 125.7, 124.3, 118.9 ppm. HRMS (ESI): *m/z* calculated for C₂₁H₁₅NO₃S⁺Na: 384.0665, found: 384.0667.



(E)-2-benzylidene-1-(phenylsulfonyl)indolin-3-one ((E)-1a).

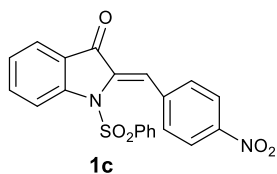
Yellow solid, 50.1 mg, 14% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.01 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.96-7.94 (m, 2H), 7.64-7.60 (m, 1H),

7.49 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.42-7.33 (m, 5H), 7.28-7.26 (m, 2H), 7.23-7.14 (m, 3H), ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 186.3, 150.6, 135.7, 134.0, 133.8, 133.8, 133.2, 132.6, 130.7, 129.6, 128.7, 128.3, 128.0, 127.6, 126.9, 124.3, 121.1$ ppm. HRMS (ESI): m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{15}\text{NO}_3\text{S}^+\text{Na}$: 384.0665, found: 384.0674.



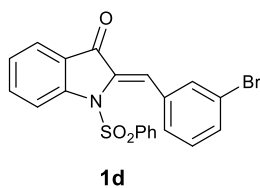
(Z)-2-(2-nitrobenzylidene)-1-(phenylsulfonyl)indolin-3-one

(1b). Yellow solid, 296.4 mg, 73% yield. ^1H NMR (600 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$): $\delta = 8.18$ (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 8.13 (s, 1H), 8.07 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.83-7.80 (m, 3H), 7.72 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.69 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.64 (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.56 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 2H), 7.53 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.48 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.31 (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (150 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$): $\delta = 182.9, 148.2, 147.6, 138.1, 135.8, 135.6, 134.2, 132.9, 132.8, 130.6, 130.3, 129.4, 127.7, 126.6, 126.2, 125.0, 124.9, 117.9$ ppm. HRMS (ESI): m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{14}\text{N}_2\text{O}_5\text{S}^+\text{Na}$: 429.0516, found: 429.0518.



(Z)-2-(4-nitrobenzylidene)-1-(phenylsulfonyl)indolin-3-one

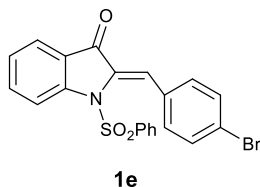
(1c). Yellow solid, 285.2 mg, 70% yield. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 8.25$ -8.23 (m, 2H), 8.17 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.97 (s, 1H), 7.87 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.74-7.70 (m, 1H), 7.65-7.61 (m, 3H), 7.61-7.57 (m, 1H), 7.43-7.39 (m, 2H), 7.31-7.27 (m, 1H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 182.9, 148.7, 148.1, 138.8, 136.9, 136.1, 135.2, 134.5, 131.5, 129.3, 128.0, 127.3, 126.0, 125.6, 124.7, 123.3, 118.4$ ppm. HRMS (ESI): m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{14}\text{N}_2\text{O}_5\text{S}^+\text{Na}$: 429.0516, found: 429.0519.



(Z)-2-(3-bromobenzylidene)-1-(phenylsulfonyl)indolin-3-one

(1d). Yellow solid, 299.5 mg, 68% yield. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 8.15$ (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 8.05-8.03 (m, 1H), 7.90 (s, 1H), 7.73 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.71-7.67 (m, 1H), 7.63 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.59-7.56 (m, 2H), 7.56-7.53 (m, 2H), 7.37 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.30-7.28 (m, 1H), 7.27-7.25 (m, 1H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta =$

182.9, 148.5, 136.3, 136.0, 134.2, 134.2, 133.7, 133.2, 130.5, 129.7, 129.6, 129.2, 127.3, 126.2, 125.8, 124.5, 122.1, 118.7 ppm. HRMS (ESI): m/z calculated for $C_{21}H_{14}BrNO_3S^+Na$: 461.9770, found: 461.9778.



(Z)-2-(4-bromobenzylidene)-1-(phenylsulfonyl)indolin-3-

one (1e). Yellow solid, 315.9 mg, 72% yield. 1H NMR (400

MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ = 8.15 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.90 (s, 1H),

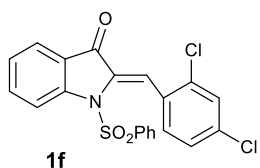
7.75 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.71-7.66 (m, 1H), 7.62 (d, J = 7.6

Hz, 1H), 7.57-7.51 (m, 5H), 7.35 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.27 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H) ppm. ^{13}C

NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ = 183.0, 148.4, 136.2, 136.0, 134.2, 133.8, 132.8, 131.4,

131.4, 131.1, 129.1, 127.4, 126.4, 125.8, 125.1, 124.4, 118.8 ppm. HRMS (ESI): m/z

calculated for $C_{21}H_{14}BrNO_3S^+Na$: 461.9770, found: 461.9777.



(Z)-2-(2,4-dichlorobenzylidene)-1-(phenylsulfonyl)indoli

n-3-one (1f). Yellow solid, 303.3 mg, 70% yield. 1H NMR

(600 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ = 8.18 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.97 (s,

1H), 7.72-7.69 (m, 3H), 7.61 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.59-7.56

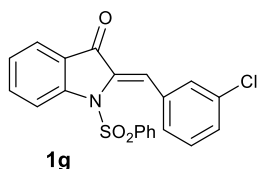
(m, 2H), 7.45 (d, J = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.27 (t, J = 7.8 Hz,

1H) 7.24 (dd, J = 8.4, 2.4 Hz, 1H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (150 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ = 183.0, 148.7,

136.8, 136.3, 136.1, 135.2, 134.4, 134.1, 132.7, 129.6, 129.3, 129.3, 127.5, 126.6,

125.8, 125.7, 124.7, 118.2 ppm. HRMS (ESI): m/z calculated for $C_{21}H_{13}Cl_2NO_3S^+Na$:

451.9885, found: 451.9890.



(Z)-2-(3-chlorobenzylidene)-1-(phenylsulfonyl)indolin-3-

one (1g). Yellow solid, 276.5 mg, 70% yield. 1H NMR (400

MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ = 8.15 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.91 (s, 1H),

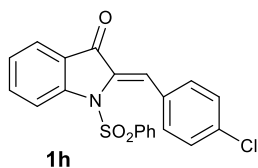
7.89 (t, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.71-7.67 (m, 2H), 7.63 (dd, J =

7.6, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 7.58 (dd, J = 8.4, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 7.57-7.52 (m, 1H), 7.41-7.32 (m, 4H),

7.29-7.25 (m, 1H), ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ = 182.9, 148.5, 136.3, 136.0,

134.2, 134.1, 133.9, 130.8, 130.6, 130.3, 129.3, 129.2, 127.3, 125.8, 124.5, 118.7 ppm.

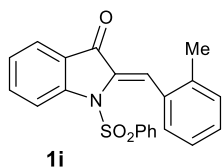
HRMS (ESI): m/z calculated for $C_{21}H_{14}ClNO_3S^+Na$: 418.0275, found: 418.0278.



(Z)-2-(4-chlorobenzylidene)-1-(phenylsulfonyl)indolin-3-

one (1h). Yellow solid, 266.7 mg, 67% yield. 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ = 8.15 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.93 (s, 1H), 7.84 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.70-7.66 (m, 1H), 7.62 (d, J = 7.6

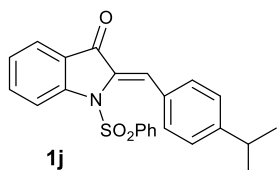
Hz, 1H), 7.57-7.51 (m, 3H), 7.39-7.33 (m, 4H), 7.27 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ = 183.0, 148.4, 136.6, 136.2, 136.0, 134.2, 133.8, 132.7, 131.5, 130.7, 129.1, 128.4, 127.4, 126.4, 125.8, 124.4, 118.8 ppm. HRMS (ESI): m/z calculated for $C_{21}H_{14}ClNO_3S^+Na$: 418.0275, found: 418.0278.



(Z)-2-(2-methylbenzylidene)-1-(phenylsulfonyl)indolin-3-on

e (1i). Yellow solid, 243.8 mg, 65% yield. 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ = 8.18 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.06 (s, 1H), 7.71-7.66 (m, 1H), 7.64 (dd, J = 8.4, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 7.61-7.59 (m, 1H),

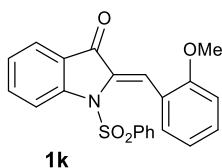
7.58-7.54 (m, 1H), 7.49 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.41-7.31 (m, 2H), 7.31 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.27-7.23 (m, 2H), 7.19 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 2.34 (s, 3H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ = 182.9, 148.5, 137.7, 136.2, 136.2, 134.2, 133.3, 131.5, 130.6, 130.4, 130.1, 130.0, 129.1, 127.4, 126.4, 125.6, 125.3, 124.4, 118.5, 20.3 ppm. HRMS (ESI): m/z calculated for $C_{22}H_{17}NO_3S^+Na$: 398.0821, found: 398.0826.



(Z)-2-(4-isopropylbenzylidene)-1-(phenylsulfonyl)indoli

n-3-one (1j). Yellow solid, 288.2 mg, 71% yield. 1H NMR (600 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ = 8.15 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.00 (s, 1H), 7.90 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.67-7.65 (m, 1H), 7.62 (d,

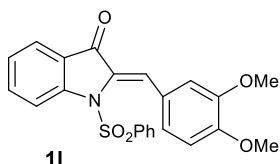
J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.55-7.54 (m, 2H), 7.52-7.50 (m, 1H), 7.33 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.30 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.27 (t, J = .8 Hz, 1H), 2.97 (dq, J = 21.0, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 1.29 (s, 3H), 1.28 (s, 3H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (150 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ = 182.9, 152.5, 148.3, 135.9, 135.9, 134.1, 134.0, 133.1, 132.0, 129.9, 129.1, 127.5, 126.9, 126.4, 125.8, 124.3, 119.1, 34.4, 23.8 ppm. HRMS (ESI): m/z calculated for $C_{24}H_{21}NO_3S^+Na$: 426.1134, found: 426.1137.



1k

(Z)-2-(2-methoxybenzylidene)-1-(phenylsulfonyl)indolin-3-

one (1k). Yellow solid, 279.1 mg, 71% yield. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 8.22 (s, 1H), 8.16 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.81 (dd, J = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.68-7.59 (m, 4H), 7.54-7.50 (m, 1H), 7.43-7.38 (m, 1H), 7.37-7.33 (m, 2H), 7.26-7.22 (m, 1H), 6.97 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.93 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.89 (s, 3H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 182.8, 158.3, 148.3, 136.1, 135.8, 133.9, 133.0, 132.3, 132.0, 128.9, 128.5, 127.5, 126.7, 125.5, 124.2, 121.2, 119.7, 118.7, 110.3, 55.6 ppm. HRMS (ESI): m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{17}\text{NO}_4\text{S}^+\text{Na}$: 414.0770, found: 414.0772.

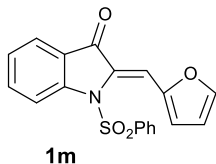


1l

(Z)-2-(3,4-dimethoxybenzylidene)-1-(phenylsulfonyl)in-

dolin-3-one (1l). Yellow solid, 291.1 mg, 69% yield. ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 8.18 (d, J = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 8.13 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.97 (s, 1H), 7.67-7.64 (m, 1H), 7.63 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (dd, J = 8.4, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.51-7.47 (m, 3H), 7.30 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.27-7.25 (m, 1H), 6.92 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.98 (s, 3H), 3.95 (s, 3H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 183.2, 152.0, 148.4, 148.1, 135.8, 135.7, 135.1, 134.0, 132.1, 129.0, 127.8, 127.5, 127.3, 125.8, 125.7, 124.2, 119.3, 114.3, 110.5, 56.1, 56.1 ppm. HRMS (ESI): m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{19}\text{NO}_5\text{S}^+\text{Na}$: 444.0876, found:

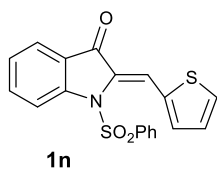
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1m

(Z)-2-(furan-2-ylmethylene)-1-(phenylsulfonyl)indolin-3-on-

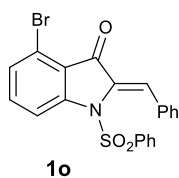
e (1m). Yellow solid, 255.6 mg, 72% yield. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 8.29 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 8.18 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.02 (s, 1H), 7.71-7.64 (m, 3H), 7.61-7.58 (m, 2H), 7.50-7.47 (m, 1H), 7.34-7.30 (m, 2H), 7.29-7.25 (m, 1H), 6.62-6.61 (m, 1H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 182.5, 149.8, 147.8, 146.3, 136.1, 135.6, 134.0, 130.3, 129.1, 127.3, 126.3, 125.5, 124.0, 119.5, 118.3, 118.0, 113.5 ppm. HRMS (ESI): m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{13}\text{NO}_4\text{S}^+\text{Na}$: 374.0457, found: 374.0459.



(Z)-1-(phenylsulfonyl)-2-(thiophen-2-ylmethylene)indolin-3-one

-one (1n). Yellow solid, 267.8 mg, 73% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.32 (s, 1H), 8.19 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.83 (d, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 7.71 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.69-7.66 (m, 1H),

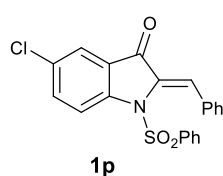
7.65-7.64 (m, 1H), 7.56 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 7.50-7.45 (m, 1H), 7.32-7.26 (m, 3H), 7.21 (dd, *J* = 5.2, 4.0 Hz, 1H) ppm. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 182.9, 147.9, 138.7, 136.2, 135.9, 135.6, 134.0, 133.8, 130.0, 129.1, 127.6, 127.3, 126.4, 125.6, 124.8, 124.1, 118.6 ppm. HRMS (ESI): *m/z* calculated for C₁₉H₁₃NO₃S₂⁺Na: 390.0229, found: 290.0236.



(Z)-2-benzylidene-4-bromo-1-(phenylsulfonyl)indolin-3-one

(1o). Yellow solid, 283.4 mg, 64% yield. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.15 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.03 (s, 1H), 7.88-7.87 (m, 2H), 7.58-7.55 (m, 3H), 7.49 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.45-7.40 (m,

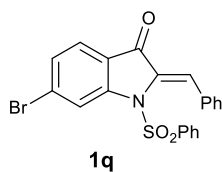
4H), 7.38 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H) ppm. ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 180.7, 150.1, 136.1, 135.8, 134.5, 134.0, 133.1, 132.0, 131.6, 131.0, 130.8, 129.3, 128.3, 127.5, 123.9, 120.1, 117.9 ppm. HRMS (ESI): *m/z* calculated for C₂₁H₁₄BrNO₃S⁺Na: 461.9770, found: 461.9773.



(Z)-2-benzylidene-5-chloro-1-(phenylsulfonyl)indolin-3-one

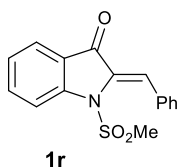
(1p). Yellow solid, 265.5 mg, 67% yield. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.11 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.03 (s, 1H), 7.88-7.87 (m, 2H), 7.63 (dd, *J* = 9.0, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.57-7.55 (m, 4H),

7.46-7.44 (m, 3H), 7.40-7.37 (m, 2H) ppm. ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 181.7, 146.7, 136.0, 135.7, 134.3, 134.3, 133.4, 132.0, 131.9, 131.6, 131.1, 130.3, 129.3, 128.3, 127.5, 124.0, 120.3 ppm. HRMS (ESI): *m/z* calculated for C₂₁H₁₄ClNO₃S⁺Na: 418.0275, found: 418.0279.



(Z)-2-benzylidene-6-bromo-1-(phenylsulfonyl)indolin-3-one

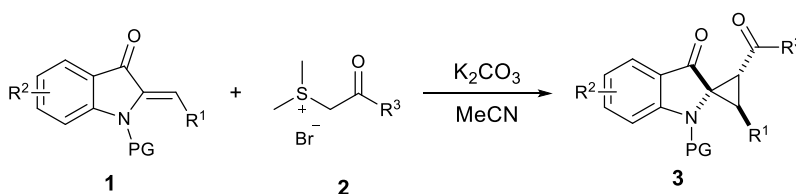
(1q). Yellow solid, 269.9 mg, 61% yield. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 8.38 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 8.02 (s, 1H), 7.86-7.85 (m, 2H), 7.62-7.58 (m, 2H), 7.58-7.55 (m, 1H), 7.48 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.47-7.44 (m, 2H), 7.42 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.40-7.38 (m, 2H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 181.7, 148.9, 135.9, 134.4, 133.6, 133.2, 132.0, 131.4, 131.0, 130.9, 129.3, 128.2, 127.4, 125.3, 125.3, 121.9 ppm. HRMS (ESI): m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{14}\text{BrNO}_3\text{S}^+\text{Na}$: 461.9770, found: 461.9776.



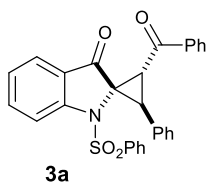
(Z)-2-benzylidene-1-(methylsulfonyl)indolin-3-one (1r).

Yellow solid, 201.6 mg, 67% yield. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 8.00-7.97 (m, 3H), 7.89 (s, 1H), 7.82 (dd, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.69-7.65 (m, 1H), 7.44-7.43 (m, 3H), 7.33 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 2.92 (s, 3H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 182.7, 148.1, 136.4, 133.3, 132.4, 132.2, 132.2, 131.5, 130.7, 128.2, 125.6, 124.7, 117.7, 36.5 ppm. HRMS (ESI): m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{13}\text{NO}_3\text{S}^+\text{Na}$: 322.0508, found: 322.0509.

3. General Procedure for the Synthesis of Cyclopropane-fused Spiro-pseudo-indoxyl Derivatives 3



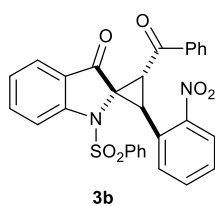
A mixture of (Z)-2-ylideneoxindole **1** (0.1 mmol), sulfonium bromide **2** (0.15 mmol), K_2CO_3 (0.15 mmol) and MeCN (1.0 mL) was stirred at room temperature without exclusion of air. Upon the consumption of (Z)-2-ylideneoxindole **1** (monitored by TLC), the reaction mixture was concentrated and the residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel to give compound **3** which was dried under vacuum and further analyzed by ^1H -NMR, ^{13}C -HMR, IR, and HRMS.



3a

2-benzoyl-3-phenyl-1'-(phenylsulfonyl)spiro[cyclopropane-1,2'-indolin]-3'-one (3a). The residue was purified by a silica gel flash chromatography (PE:EtOAc = 12:1 to PE:EtOAc = 3:1) giving the product **3a** as a white solid in 88% yield (42 mg, >20:1

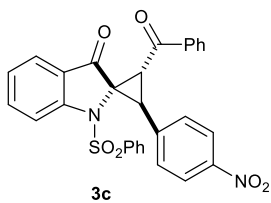
dr), m.p. 194-196 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 8.07 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (dd, J = 8.4, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 7.70-7.65 (m, 2H), 7.61-7.56 (m, 3H), 7.52-7.47 (m, 1H), 7.40-7.30 (m, 5H), 7.25-7.20 (m, 3H), 6.79 (dd, J = 6.8, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 5.23 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.44 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 192.8, 190.5, 153.3, 137.0, 136.9, 136.3, 134.0, 133.5, 132.6, 129.5, 129.1, 128.7, 128.4, 128.0, 127.6, 127.5, 126.5, 126.1, 123.8, 120.7, 59.9, 43.4, 34.7 ppm. IR (CH_2Cl_2 , cm^{-1}): 1707, 1680, 1599, 1473, 1457, 1447, 1367, 1158. HRMS (ESI): m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{21}\text{NO}_4\text{S}^+\text{Na}$: 502.1083, found: 502.1088.



3b

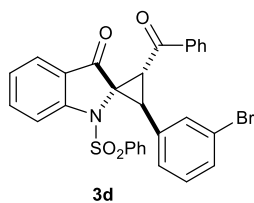
2-benzoyl-3-(2-nitrophenyl)-1'-(phenylsulfonyl)spiro[cyclopropane-1,2'-indolin]-3'-one (3b). The residue was purified by a silica gel flash chromatography (PE:EtOAc = 12:1 to PE:EtOAc = 1:1) giving the product **3b** as a yellow solid in 74% yield (39 mg, >20:1

dr), m.p. 202-204 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 8.04 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.95 (dd, J = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.78-7.76 (m, 2H), 7.74-7.67 (m, 4H), 7.60-7.57 (m, 1H), 7.53-7.44 (m, 3H), 7.42-7.38 (m, 2H), 7.37-7.31 (m, 3H), 6.96 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 5.07 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.32 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 192.1, 190.1, 153.1, 148.8, 137.9, 136.8, 136.7, 134.1, 133.6, 133.0, 132.9, 129.4, 129.1, 128.8, 128.7, 128.5, 127.7, 125.3, 124.9, 124.5, 124.1, 118.5, 61.3, 43.1, 31.9 ppm. IR (CH_2Cl_2 , cm^{-1}): 1717, 1694, 1598, 1530, 1518, 1474, 1458, 1446, 1369, 1344, 1159. HRMS (ESI): m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2\text{O}_6\text{S}^+\text{Na}$: 547.0934, found: 547.0941.



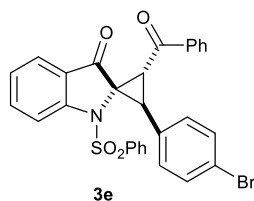
2-benzoyl-3-(4-nitrophenyl)-1'-(phenylsulfonyl)spiro[cyclopropane-1,2'-indolin]-3'-one (3c).

The residue was purified by a silica gel flash chromatography (PE:EtOAc = 12:1 to PE:EtOAc = 1:1) giving the product **3c** as a white solid in 72% yield (38 mg, >20:1 dr), m.p. 190-192 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.08-8.05 (m, 3H), 7.75-7.71 (m, 4H), 7.65 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.56-7.50 (m, 3H), 7.41 (q, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 3H), 7.33 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.87 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 5.21 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.42 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H) ppm. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 192.6, 189.7, 153.5, 147.2, 140.4, 136.9, 136.8, 136.5, 134.3, 133.8, 130.0, 129.7, 128.8, 128.4, 127.5, 126.4, 126.1, 123.9, 123.2, 120.7, 59.4, 43.1, 33.5 ppm. IR (CH₂Cl₂, cm⁻¹): 1699, 1678, 1601, 1521, 1473, 1456, 1445, 1370, 1347, 1158. HRMS (ESI): *m/z* calculated for C₂₉H₂₀N₂O₆S⁺Na: 547.0934, found: 547.0942.



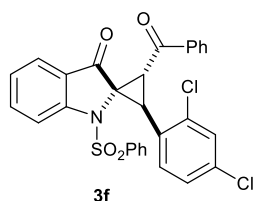
2-benzoyl-3-(3-bromophenyl)-1'-(phenylsulfonyl)spiro[cyclopropane-1,2'-indolin]-3'-one (3d).

The residue was purified by a silica gel flash chromatography (PE:EtOAc = 12:1 to PE:EtOAc = 3:1) giving the product **3d** as a white solid in 77% yield (43 mg, >20:1 dr), m.p. 206-208 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.07 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.73-7.62 (m, 5H), 7.54 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 7.52-7.48 (m, 1H), 7.44-7.35 (m, 4H), 7.32 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.10 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.81-6.79 (m, 1H), 6.64 (s, 1H), 5.13 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.38 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H) ppm. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 192.5, 190.1, 153.5, 136.9, 136.7, 136.5, 134.9, 134.4, 133.7, 132.0, 130.6, 129.6, 129.6, 128.7, 128.4, 127.7, 127.5, 126.3, 126.3, 123.9, 122.0, 120.8, 59.5, 43.1, 33.7 ppm. IR (CH₂Cl₂, cm⁻¹): 1702, 1674, 1591, 1473, 1458, 1448, 1366, 1156. HRMS (ESI): *m/z* calculated for C₂₉H₂₀BrNO₄S⁺Na: 580.0189, found: 580.0193.



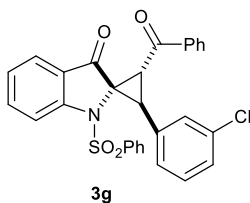
2-benzoyl-3-(4-bromophenyl)-1'-(phenylsulfonyl)spiro[cyclopropane-1,2'-indolin]-3'-one (3e).

The residue was purified by a silica gel flash chromatography (PE:EtOAc = 12:1 to PE:EtOAc = 3:1) giving the product **3e** as a white solid in 72% yield (40 mg, >20:1 dr), m.p. 186-188 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.06 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.73-7.66 (m, 4H), 7.61-7.58 (m, 1H), 7.55-7.48 (m, 3H), 7.40-7.35 (m, 3H), 7.34-7.30 (m, 4H), 6.62 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 5.12 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 3.38 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H) ppm. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 192.7, 190.1, 153.4, 136.9, 136.7, 136.4, 134.0, 133.6, 131.7, 131.2, 130.7, 129.5, 128.7, 128.3, 127.5, 126.3, 126.2, 123.8, 121.5, 120.7, 59.6, 43.3, 33.8 ppm. IR (CH₂Cl₂, cm⁻¹): 1708, 1688, 1602, 1490, 1470, 1457, 1445, 1364, 1152. HRMS (ESI): *m/z* calculated for C₂₉H₂₀BrNO₄S⁺Na: 580.0189, found: 580.0196.



2-benzoyl-3-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-1'-(phenylsulfonyl)spiro[cyclopropane-1,2'-indolin]-3'-one (3f).

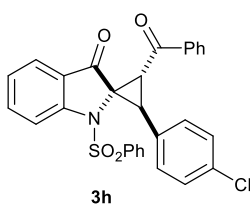
The residue was purified by a silica gel flash chromatography (PE:EtOAc = 12:1 to PE:EtOAc = 3:1) giving the product **3f** as a white solid in 80% yield (44 mg, >20:1 dr), m.p. >220 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.08 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.78-7.74 (m, 3H), 7.71 (td, *J* = 7.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 0.8 Hz, 2H), 7.60-7.56 (m, 1H), 7.53-7.49 (m, 1H), 7.40-7.33 (m, 5H), 7.29 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.07 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.51 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 4.88 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.29 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H) ppm. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 191.9, 190.0, 153.2, 137.7, 136.7, 136.7, 135.4, 134.1, 134.1, 133.6, 132.4, 129.5, 129.5, 129.3, 128.7, 128.4, 127.7, 126.5, 125.7, 125.2, 124.0, 119.4, 60.4, 43.8, 32.1 ppm. IR (CH₂Cl₂, cm⁻¹): 1710, 1684, 1603, 1588, 1474, 1458, 1447, 1376, 1160. HRMS (ESI): *m/z* calculated for C₂₉H₁₉Cl₂NO₄S⁺Na: 570.0304, found: 570.0312.



3g

2-benzoyl-3-(3-chlorophenyl)-1'-(phenylsulfonyl)spiro[cyclopropane-1,2'-indolin]-3'-one (3g). The residue was purified by a silica gel flash chromatography (PE:EtOAc = 12:1 to PE:EtOAc = 3:1) giving the product **3g** as a white solid in 80%

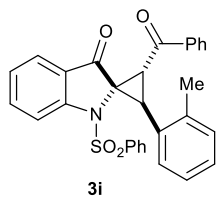
yield (41 mg, >20:1 dr), m.p. 201-203 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.08-8.06 (m, 1H), 7.74-7.68 (m, 4H), 7.65-7.61 (m, 1H), 7.54 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 0.8 Hz, 2H), 7.52-7.47 (m, 1H), 7.43-7.36 (m, 3H), 7.32 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.21 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.16 (t, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.74 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.50 (s, 1H), 5.13 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.39 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H) ppm. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 192.6, 190.1, 153.5, 136.9, 136.7, 136.5, 134.7, 134.3, 133.9, 133.7, 129.6, 129.3, 129.2, 128.7, 128.4, 127.7, 127.5, 127.2, 126.4, 126.3, 123.9, 120.8, 59.5, 43.2, 33.8 ppm. IR (CH₂Cl₂, cm⁻¹): 1706, 1674, 1593, 1473, 1458, 1448, 1369, 1155. HRMS (ESI): *m/z* calculated for C₂₉H₂₀ClNO₄S⁺Na: 536.0694, found: 536.0698.



3h

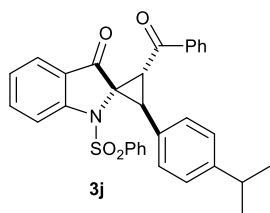
2-benzoyl-3-(4-chlorophenyl)-1'-(phenylsulfonyl)spiro[cyclopropane-1,2'-indolin]-3'-one (3h). The residue was purified by a silica gel flash chromatography (PE:EtOAc = 12:1 to PE:EtOAc = 3:1) giving the product **3h** as a white solid in 74%

yield (38 mg, >20:1 dr), m.p. 187-189 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.06 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.74-7.67 (m, 4H), 7.60 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.50 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.41-7.35 (m, 3H), 7.32 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.18 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.68 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 5.14 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.38 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H) ppm. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 192.8, 190.2, 153.4, 136.9, 136.7, 136.4, 134.0, 133.6, 133.4, 131.2, 130.4, 129.5, 128.7, 128.4, 128.2, 127.6, 126.4, 126.2, 123.8, 120.7, 59.7, 43.4, 33.8 ppm. IR (CH₂Cl₂, cm⁻¹): 1707, 1686, 1602, 1580, 1494, 1474, 1458, 1446, 1364, 1152. HRMS (ESI): *m/z* calculated for C₂₉H₂₀ClNO₄S⁺ Na: 536.0694, found: 536.0700.



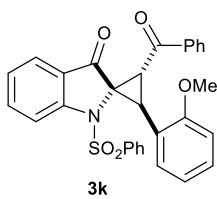
2-benzoyl-1'-(phenylsulfonyl)-3-(o-tolyl)spiro[cyclopropane-1,2'-indolin]-3'-one (3i). The residue was purified by a silica gel flash chromatography (PE:EtOAc = 12:1 to PE:EtOAc = 3:1) giving the product **3i** as a white solid in 81% yield (40 mg, >20:1

dr), m.p. 196-198 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 8.04 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.76-7.72 (m, 3H), 7.68 (td, J = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.58-7.46 (m, 4H), 7.39-7.29 (m, 5H), 7.19-7.16 (m, 2H), 6.94-6.89 (m, 1H), 6.08 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 5.18 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 3.28 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 2.19 (s, 3H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 192.8, 190.1, 153.3, 137.6, 136.8, 136.7, 136.2, 134.0, 133.5, 130.4, 130.3, 129.9, 129.4, 128.6, 128.3, 127.8, 127.5, 126.4, 126.0, 124.7, 123.9, 120.7, 60.8, 45.2, 34.0, 19.6 ppm. IR (CH_2Cl_2 , cm^{-1}): 1715, 1699, 1690, 1678, 1599, 1472, 1457, 1446, 1365, 1154. HRMS (ESI): m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{23}\text{NO}_4\text{S}^+\text{Na}$: 516.1240, found: 516.1246.



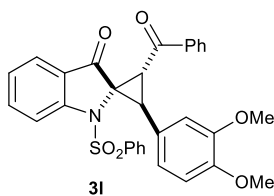
2-benzoyl-3-(4-isopropylphenyl)-1'-(phenylsulfonyl)spiro[cyclopropane-1,2'-indolin]-3'-one (3j). The residue was purified by a silica gel flash chromatography (PE:EtOAc = 12:1 to PE:EtOAc = 3:1) giving the product **3j** as a white solid

in 82% yield (43 mg, >20:1 dr), m.p. 188-190 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 8.06 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (dd, J = 8.4, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 7.69-7.64 (m, 2H), 7.60-7.56 (m, 3H), 7.50-7.47 (m, 1H), 7.40-7.29 (m, 5H), 7.09 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.74 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 5.21 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.43 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 2.88 (dq, J = 20.4 Hz, 6.8 Hz, 1H), 1.24 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 3H), 1.23 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 3H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 192.9, 190.6, 153.3, 148.0, 137.0, 136.9, 136.2, 133.9, 133.5, 129.8, 129.4, 129.0, 128.7, 128.4, 127.7, 126.6, 126.1, 126.1, 123.8, 120.7, 60.0, 43.5, 34.6, 33.8, 23.9, 23.9 ppm. IR (CH_2Cl_2 , cm^{-1}): 1706, 1677, 1601, 1513, 1473, 1450, 1443, 1383, 1363, 1154. HRMS (ESI): m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{27}\text{NO}_4\text{S}^+\text{Na}$: 544.1553, found: 544.1560.



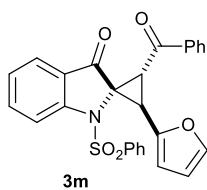
2-benzoyl-3-(2-methoxyphenyl)-1'-(phenylsulfonyl)spiro[cyclopropane-1,2'-indolin]-3'-one (3k).

The residue was purified by a silica gel flash chromatography (PE:EtOAc = 12:1 to PE:EtOAc = 1:1) giving the product **3k** as a white solid in 88% yield (45 mg, >20:1 dr), m.p. 168-170 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.03 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.86 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 7.78 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 7.69 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 7.66-7.62 (m, 1H), 7.56-7.49 (m, 2H), 7.38-7.34 (m, 4H), 7.29-7.23 (m, 2H), 7.02 (dt, *J* = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (td, *J* = 7.6, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 6.72 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.82 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 3.31 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 3.16 (s, 3H) ppm. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 191.6, 191.5, 157.3, 152.5, 138.0, 137.1, 136.0, 133.6, 133.4, 130.7, 129.1, 128.8, 128.6, 128.6, 127.9, 125.0, 125.0, 123.7, 121.3, 120.4, 118.5, 110.0, 60.6, 54.6, 43.2, 29.8 ppm. IR (CH₂Cl₂, cm⁻¹): 1707, 1679, 1598, 1496, 1477, 1460, 1447, 1360, 1164. HRMS (ESI): *m/z* calculated for C₃₀H₂₃NO₅S⁺Na: 532.1189, found: 532.1193.



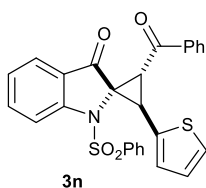
2-benzoyl-3-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-1'-(phenylsulfonyl)spiro[cyclopropane-1,2'-indolin]-3'-one (3l).

The residue was purified by a silica gel flash chromatography (PE:EtOAc = 12:1 to PE:EtOAc = 1:1) giving the product **3l** as a white solid in 85% yield (46 mg, >20:1 dr) White solid, m.p. 189-191 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.06 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.75 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.71-7.65 (m, 2H), 7.60-7.55 (m, 3H), 7.50 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.40-7.31 (m, 5H), 6.71 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.50 (d, *J* = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 6.34-6.32 (m, 1H), 5.17 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 3.43 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H) ppm. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 192.8, 190.6, 153.2, 148.6, 148.4, 137.0, 136.9, 136.2, 133.9, 133.5, 129.4, 128.7, 128.4, 127.6, 126.5, 126.1, 124.8, 123.8, 121.5, 120.6, 112.2, 110.4, 60.1, 56.0, 55.8, 43.5, 34.6 ppm. IR (CH₂Cl₂, cm⁻¹): 1709, 1673, 1591, 1514, 1458, 1446, 1366, 1152. HRMS (ESI): *m/z* calculated for C₃₁H₂₅NO₆S⁺Na: 562.1295, found: 562.1299.



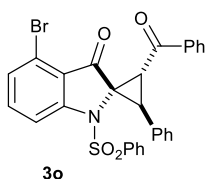
2-benzoyl-3-(furan-2-yl)-1'-(phenylsulfonyl)spiro[cyclopropane-1,2'-indolin]-3'-one (3m). The residue was purified by a silica gel flash chromatography (PE:EtOAc = 12:1 to PE:EtOAc = 3:1) giving the product **3m** as a yellow solid in 87% yield (41

mg, >20:1 dr), m.p. 132-134 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.97 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.77-7.74 (m, 2H), 7.65-7.61 (m, 4H), 7.53-7.47 (m, 2H), 7.36-7.29 (m, 6H), 6.38 (dd, J = 3.2, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.21-6.20 (m, 1H), 5.25 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 3.55 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 192.5, 189.7, 153.1, 146.9, 142.1, 136.8, 136.1, 135.7, 134.0, 133.6, 129.1, 128.7, 128.4, 127.8, 126.8, 126.4, 123.6, 121.2, 110.7, 109.2, 59.3, 41.3, 27.3 ppm. IR (CH_2Cl_2 , cm^{-1}): 1711, 1676, 1600, 1504, 1472, 1457, 1447, 1367, 1157. HRMS (ESI): m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{19}\text{NO}_5\text{S}^+\text{Na}$: 492.0876, found: 492.0884.



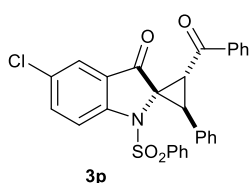
2-benzoyl-1'-(phenylsulfonyl)-3-(thiophen-2-yl)spiro[cyclopropane-1,2'-indolin]-3'-one (3n). The residue was purified by a silica gel flash chromatography (PE:EtOAc = 12:1 to PE:EtOAc = 3:1) giving the product **3n** as a pale yellow solid in 78% yield (38

mg, >20:1 dr). 155-157 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 8.04 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (dd, J = 8.4, 0.8 Hz, 2H), 7.68-7.64 (m, 2H), 7.59-7.54 (m, 3H), 7.52-7.48 (m, 1H), 7.40-7.36 (m, 2H), 7.33 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 3H), 7.22-7.20 (m, 1H), 6.94 (dd, J = 5.2, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 6.78-6.77 (m, 1H), 5.27 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 3.53 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 192.2, 189.9, 153.1, 136.8, 136.5, 136.2, 135.4, 134.0, 133.6, 129.5, 128.7, 128.4, 127.8, 127.6, 126.6, 126.5, 126.2, 125.3, 123.8, 120.7, 60.0, 43.7, 29.6 ppm. IR (CH_2Cl_2 , cm^{-1}): 1705, 1681, 1590, 1473, 1459, 1442, 1365, 1154. HRMS (ESI): m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{19}\text{NO}_4\text{S}_2^+\text{Na}$: 508.0648, found: 508.0652.



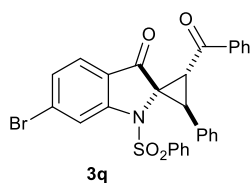
2-benzoyl-4-bromo-3-phenyl-1'-(phenylsulfonyl)spiro[cyclopropane-1,2'-indolin]-3'-one (3o). The residue was purified by a silica gel flash chromatography (PE:EtOAc = 12:1 to PE:EtOAc = 3:1)

giving the product **3o** as a white solid in 79% yield (44 mg, >20:1 dr), m.p. 178-180 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.01 (dd, *J* = 7.2, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.79-7.77 (m, 2H), 7.63-7.59 (m, 3H), 7.53-7.40 (m, 5H), 7.35 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.27-7.22 (m, 3H), 6.91-6.88 (m, 2H), 5.21 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.48 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H) ppm. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 190.4, 190.2, 154.8, 136.9, 136.8, 136.1, 134.2, 133.6, 132.1, 130.9, 129.6, 129.1, 128.7, 128.4, 128.2, 127.6, 127.6, 124.3, 119.5, 119.0, 60.3, 43.3, 35.0 ppm. IR (CH₂Cl₂, cm⁻¹): 1714, 1671, 1589, 1577, 1498, 1460, 1445, 1362, 1162. HRMS (ESI): *m/z* calculated for C₂₉H₂₀BrNO₄S⁺Na: 580.0189, found: 580.0201.



2-benzoyl-5'-chloro-3-phenyl-1'-(phenylsulfonyl)spiro[cyclopropane-1,2'-indolin]-3'-one (3p). The residue was purified by a silica gel flash chromatography (PE:EtOAc = 12:1 to PE:EtOAc = 3:1) giving the product **3p** as a white solid in 72% yield (37

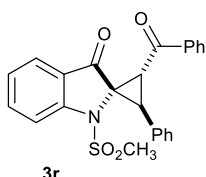
mg, >20:1 dr), m.p. 150-152 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.03 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.64-7.62 (m, 3H), 7.58 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.54-7.51 (m, 1H), 7.43 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.36 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.27-7.21 (m, 3H), 6.76 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 5.22 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.44 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H) ppm. ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 191.6, 190.1, 151.5, 136.7, 136.6, 136.0, 134.1, 133.6, 132.2, 132.1, 129.6, 129.0, 128.7, 128.3, 128.1, 127.6, 123.3, 121.8, 60.3, 43.7, 34.9 ppm. IR (CH₂Cl₂, cm⁻¹): 1715, 1683, 1598, 1497, 1457, 1446, 1377, 1151. HRMS (ESI): *m/z* calculated for C₂₉H₂₀ClNO₄S⁺Na: 536.0694, found: 536.0697.



2-benzoyl-6'-bromo-3-phenyl-1'-(phenylsulfonyl)spiro[cyclopropane-1,2'-indolin]-3'-one (3q). The residue was purified by a silica gel flash chromatography (PE:EtOAc = 12:1 to PE:EtOAc = 3:1) giving the product **3q** as a white solid in 70%

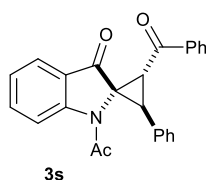
yield (39 mg, >20:1 dr), m.p. 194-196 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.30 (d, *J* = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 7.65-7.61 (m, 3H), 7.55-7.51 (m, 2H), 7.48 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.45-7.41 (m, 2H), 7.36 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.27-7.19 (m, 3H), 6.76 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 5.18 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.44 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H)

ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 191.6, 190.2, 153.8, 136.9, 136.8, 134.2, 133.7, 132.3, 131.7, 129.7, 129.7, 129.0, 128.8, 128.4, 128.1, 127.6, 127.6, 125.0, 124.7, 123.5, 60.2, 43.4, 34.8 ppm. IR (CH_2Cl_2 , cm^{-1}): 1705, 1676, 1594, 1574, 1498, 1472, 1443, 1368, 1161. HRMS (ESI): m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{20}\text{BrNO}_4\text{S}^+\text{Na}$ 580.0189, found: 580.0198.



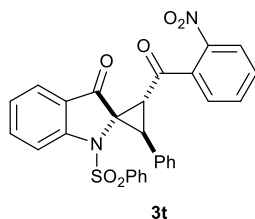
2-benzoyl-1'-(methylsulfonyl)-3-phenylspiro[cyclopropane-1,2'-indolin]-3'-one (3r). The residue was purified by a silica gel flash chromatography (PE:EtOAc = 12:1 to PE:EtOAc = 3:1) giving the product **3r** as a white solid in 86% yield (36 mg, >20:1 dr).

206-208 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.86-7.84 (m, 2H), 7.78 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.75 (dd, J = 11.6, 0.4 Hz, 1H), 7.67-7.62 (m, 1H), 7.55-7.51 (m, 1H), 7.43-7.36 (m, 6H), 7.35-7.30 (m, 2H), 5.07 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 3.70 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 3.10 (s, 3H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 192.3, 191.7, 152.6, 136.9, 136.3, 133.7, 132.2, 129.0, 128.8, 128.5, 128.4, 127.9, 125.5, 125.3, 124.1, 119.1, 61.2, 41.7, 39.1, 35.9 ppm. IR (CH_2Cl_2 , cm^{-1}): 1707, 1679, 1594, 1496, 1472, 1447, 1360, 1150. HRMS (ESI): m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{19}\text{NO}_4\text{S}^+\text{Na}$: 440.0927, found: 440.0927.



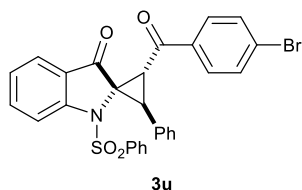
1'-acetyl-2-benzoyl-3-phenylspiro[cyclopropane-1,2'-indolin]-3'-one (3s). The residue was purified by a silica gel flash chromatography (PE:EtOAc = 12:1 to PE:EtOAc = 3:1) giving the product **3s** as a white solid in 84% yield (32 mg, >20:1 dr), m.p.

176-178 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.96-7.94 (m, 2H), 7.77-7.75 (m, 1H), 7.70-7.65 (m, 1H), 7.58 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.55-7.51 (m, 1H), 7.43-7.34 (m, 6H), 7.32-7.24 (m, 2H), 5.05 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 3.57 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 2.49 (s, 3H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 191.7, 191.6, 168.6, 151.2, 136.9, 136.0, 133.1, 133.0, 129.3, 128.7, 128.4, 128.2, 127.6, 124.6, 124.3, 124.0, 115.9, 60.1, 39.8, 36.2, 27.2 ppm. IR (CH_2Cl_2 , cm^{-1}): 1709, 1672, 1595, 1469, 1447, 1430, 1371, 1152. HRMS (ESI): m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{19}\text{NO}_3\text{S}^+\text{Na}$: 404.1257, found: 404.1262.



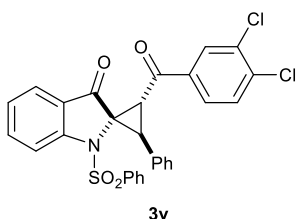
2-(2-nitrobenzoyl)-3-phenyl-1'-(phenylsulfonyl)spiro[cyclopropane-1,2'-indolin]-3'-one (3t). The residue was purified by a silica gel flash chromatography (PE:EtOAc = 12:1 to PE:EtOAc = 3:1) giving the product **3t** as a white solid in 71%

yield (37 mg, >20:1 dr), m.p. 190-192 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 8.23 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.11 (dd, J = 8.0, 0.4 Hz, 1H), 7.78-7.74 (m, 1H), 7.62 (td, J = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.59-7.54 (m, 3H), 7.53-7.50 (m, 2H), 7.37-7.33 (m, 3H), 7.30 (dd, J = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.28-7.21 (m, 3H), 6.89-6.87 (m, 2H), 5.37 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 3.13 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 192.6, 192.4, 153.2, 145.5, 137.2, 136.2, 136.0, 134.7, 134.2, 132.0, 131.0, 129.4, 129.1, 128.1, 127.9, 127.7, 127.7, 127.1, 126.8, 124.4, 124.0, 121.5, 60.5, 47.6, 35.4 ppm. IR (CH_2Cl_2 , cm^{-1}): 1698, 1602, 1573, 1526, 1496, 1472, 1459, 1444, 1377, 1154. HRMS (ESI): m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2\text{O}_6\text{S}^+\text{Na}$: 547.0934, found: 547.0936.



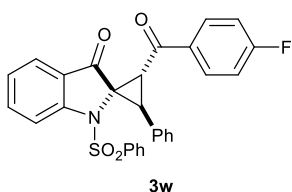
2-(4-bromobenzoyl)-3-phenyl-1'-(phenylsulfonyl)spiro[cyclopropane-1,2'-indolin]-3'-one (3u). The residue was purified by a silica gel flash chromatography (PE:EtOAc = 12:1 to PE:EtOAc = 3:1) giving the product **3u** as a white

solid in 75% yield (42 mg, >20:1 dr), m.p. 200-202 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 8.10-8.08 (m, 1H), 7.72-7.68 (m, 2H), 7.62-7.56 (m, 5H), 7.47 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.41-7.34 (m, 3H), 7.27-7.19 (m, 3H), 6.77-6.76 (m, 2H), 5.18 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.37 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 192.5, 189.7, 153.2, 136.9, 136.5, 135.6, 134.0, 132.3, 132.0, 129.8, 129.5, 129.0, 128.9, 128.1, 127.6, 126.3, 126.2, 123.9, 120.5, 59.8, 43.0, 34.6 ppm. IR (CH_2Cl_2 , cm^{-1}): 1704, 1677, 1583, 1475, 1458, 1446, 1369, 1162. HRMS (ESI): m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{20}\text{BrNO}_4\text{S}^+\text{Na}$: 580.0189, found: 580.0187.



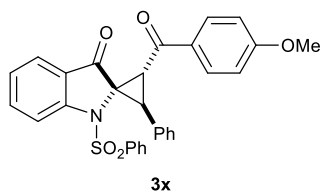
2-(3,4-dichlorobenzoyl)-3-phenyl-1'-(phenylsulfonyl)spiro[cyclopropane-1,2'-indolin]-3'-one (3v).

The residue was purified by a silica gel flash chromatography (PE:EtOAc = 12:1 to PE:EtOAc = 3:1) giving the product **3v** as a white solid in 75% yield (41 mg, >20:1 dr), m.p. 182-184 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.10 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.82 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.74-7.69 (m, 2H), 7.62-7.57 (m, 3H), 7.54 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.42-7.35 (m, 4H), 7.27-7.19 (m, 3H), 6.76 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 5.16 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.33 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H) ppm. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 192.4, 188.7, 153.1, 138.2, 136.9, 136.6, 136.3, 134.1, 133.5, 132.1, 130.8, 130.4, 129.6, 129.0, 128.1, 127.7, 127.6, 127.3, 126.3, 126.3, 123.9, 120.5, 59.6, 42.7, 34.6 ppm. IR (CH₂Cl₂, cm⁻¹): 1711, 1683, 1598, 1474, 1459, 1446, 1369, 1162. HRMS (ESI): *m/z* calculated for C₂₉H₁₉Cl₂NO₄S⁺Na: 570.0304, found: 570.0311



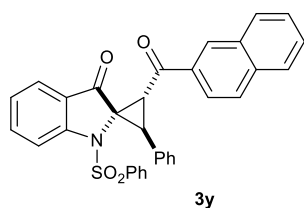
2-(4-fluorobenzoyl)-3-phenyl-1'-(phenylsulfonyl)spiro[cyclopropane-1,2'-indolin]-3'-one (3w).

The residue was purified by a silica gel flash chromatography (PE:EtOAc = 12:1 to PE:EtOAc = 3:1) giving the product **3w** as a white solid in 84% yield (42 mg, >20:1 dr), m.p. 199-201 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.09 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.80-7.76 (m, 2H), 7.71-7.67 (m, 2H), 7.61-7.57 (m, 3H), 7.41-7.34 (m, 3H), 7.26-7.19 (m, 3H), 6.99 (t, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.78-6.76 (m, 2H), 5.18 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.39 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H) ppm. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 192.6, 189.0, 166.0 (d, *J*_{CF} = 254.2 Hz), 153.3, 136.9, 136.4, 134.0, 133.4 (d, *J*_{CF} = 2.9 Hz), 132.4, 131.0 (d, *J*_{CF} = 9.4 Hz), 129.5, 129.0, 128.1, 127.6, 127.6, 126.3, 126.1, 123.9, 120.5, 115.9 (d, *J*_{CF} = 21.9 Hz), 59.8, 43.1, 34.6 ppm. IR (CH₂Cl₂, cm⁻¹): 1708, 1670, 1596, 1505, 1472, 1457, 1449, 1367, 1154. HRMS (ESI): *m/z* calculated for C₂₉H₂₀FNO₄S⁺Na: 520.0989, found: 520.0992.



2-(4-methoxybenzoyl)-3-phenyl-1'-(phenylsulfonyl)spiro[cyclopropane-1,2'-indolin]-3'-one (3x). The residue was purified by a silica gel flash chromatography (PE:EtOAc = 12:1 to PE:EtOAc = 2:1) giving the product

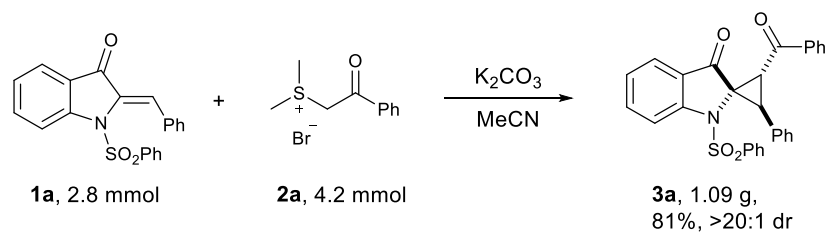
3x as a white solid in 65% yield (33 mg, >20:1 dr), m.p. 188-190 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 8.08 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.69-7.65 (m, 2H), 7.60-7.56 (m, 3H), 7.39-7.33 (m, 3H), 7.26-7.18 (m, 3H), 6.79-6.77 (m, 4H), 5.20 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.39 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 192.9, 188.8, 163.8, 153.3, 137.0, 136.2, 133.9, 132.8, 130.7, 130.1, 129.5, 129.1, 128.0, 127.6, 127.4, 126.5, 126.0, 123.7, 120.6, 113.9, 59.9, 55.5, 43.4, 34.6 ppm. IR (CH_2Cl_2 , cm^{-1}): 1709, 1669, 1603, 1575, 1511, 1474, 1458, 1445, 1366, 1164. HRMS (ESI): m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{23}\text{NO}_5\text{S}^+\text{Na}$: 532.1189, found: 532.1198.



2-(2-naphthoyl)-3-phenyl-1'-(phenylsulfonyl)spiro[cyclopropane-1,2'-indolin]-3'-one (3y). The residue was purified by a silica gel flash chromatography (PE:EtOAc = 12:1 to PE:EtOAc = 3:1) giving the product **3y** as a white

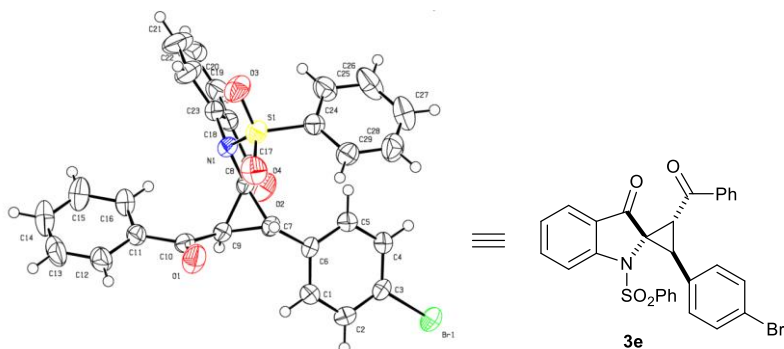
solid in 32% yield (18 mg, >20:1 dr), m.p. 208-210 °C. ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 8.09 (s, 1H), 8.01 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.96-7.95 (m, 1H), 7.82 (q, J = 4.2 Hz, 2H), 7.75 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.62-7.54 (m, 5H), 7.46-7.43 (m, 1H), 7.40-7.36 (m, 3H), 7.28-7.23 (m, 3H), 6.84 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 5.29 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.56 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 192.9, 190.3, 153.3, 136.9, 136.2, 135.7, 134.2, 133.9, 132.6, 132.2, 130.3, 130.3, 129.4, 129.0, 128.6, 128.6, 128.0, 127.7, 127.6, 127.5, 126.7, 126.6, 126.1, 123.9, 123.7, 120.7, 59.8, 43.6, 34.7 ppm. IR (CH_2Cl_2 , cm^{-1}): 1704, 1679, 1624, 1598, 1502, 1474, 1461, 1445, 1367, 1159. HRMS (ESI): m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{33}\text{H}_{23}\text{NO}_4\text{S}^+\text{Na}$: 552.1240, found: 552.1246.

4. Gram-scale Reaction



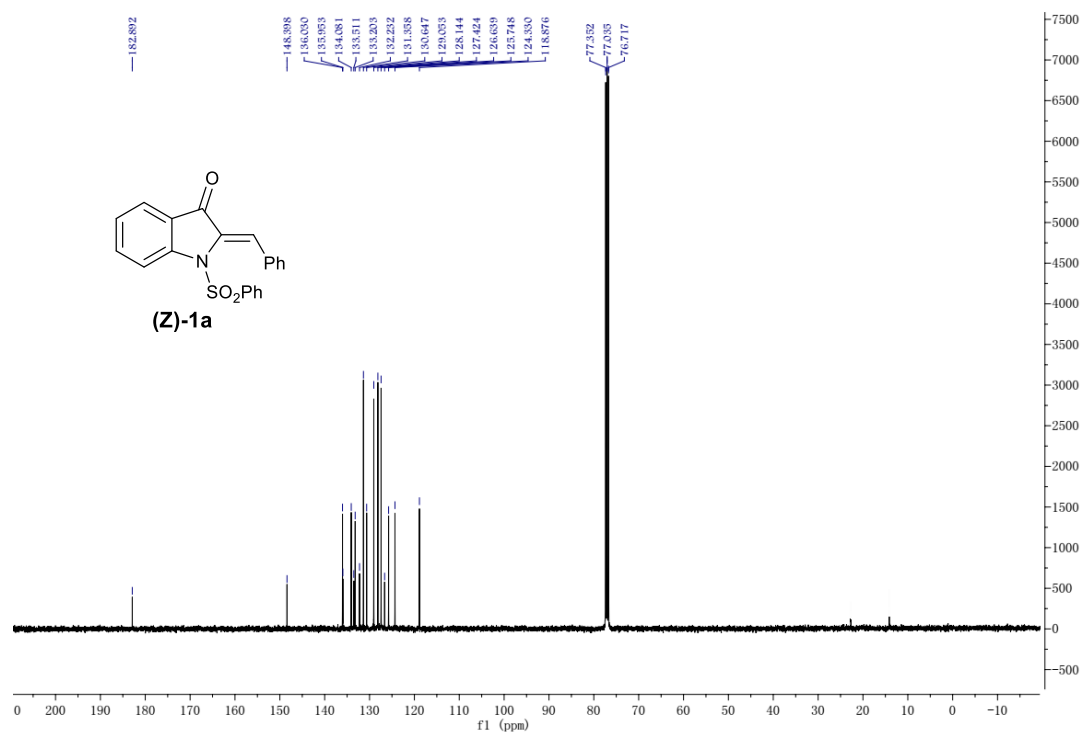
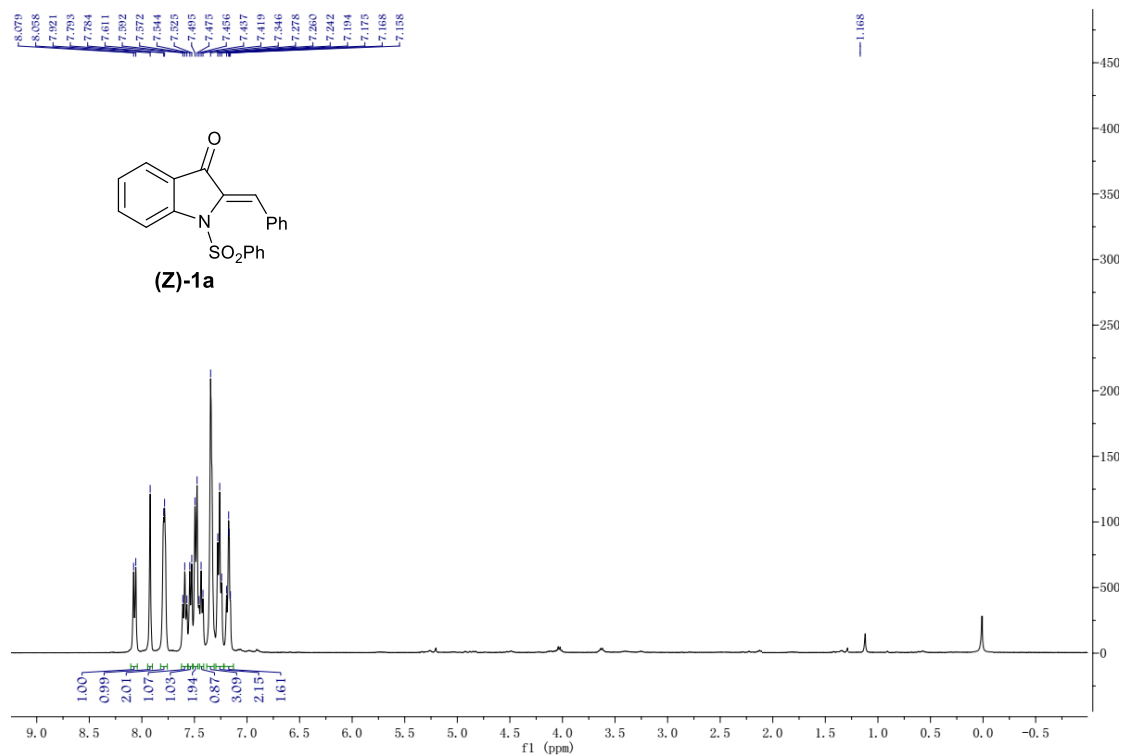
A mixture of (Z)-2-ylideneoxindole **1a** (1.01 g, 2.8 mmol), sulfonium bromide **2a** (1.10 g, 4.2 mmol), K_2CO_3 (0.58 g, 4.2 mmol) and MeCN (28.0 mL) was stirred at room temperature without exclusion of air. After (Z)-2-ylideneoxindoles **1a** was consumed (monitored by TLC), the reaction mixture was concentrated and the residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (PE:EtOAc = 3:1) to give compound **3a** as red solid. Then the solid was recrystallized from 5.0 mL EtOAc and 30.0 mL PE to afford pure compound **3a** as white solid (1.09 g, 81% yield, >20:1 dr).

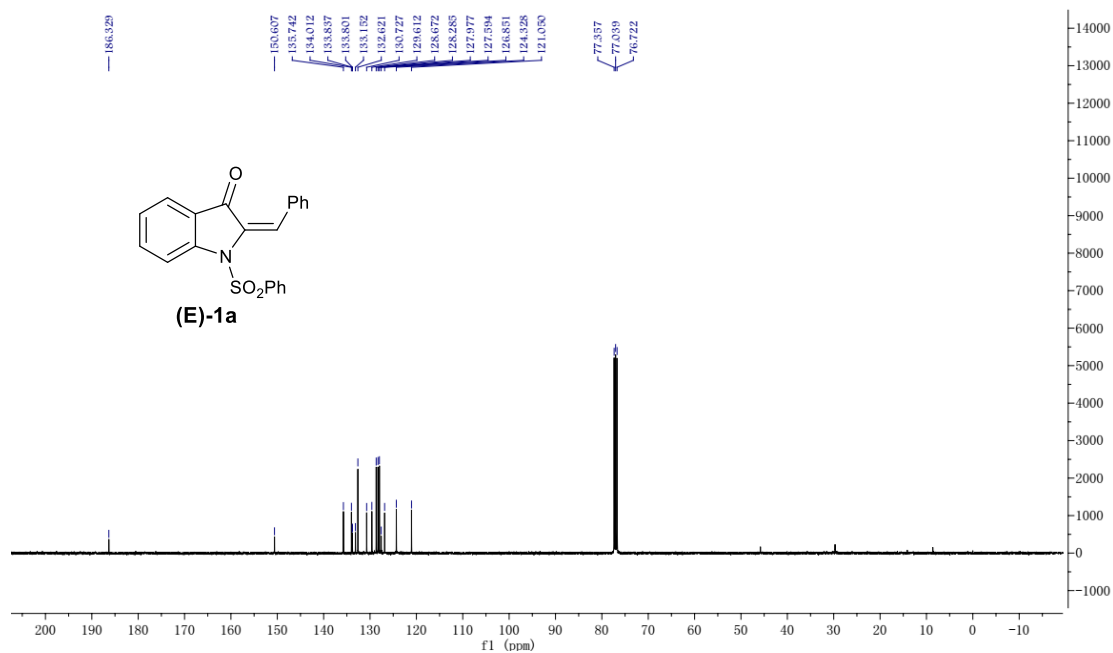
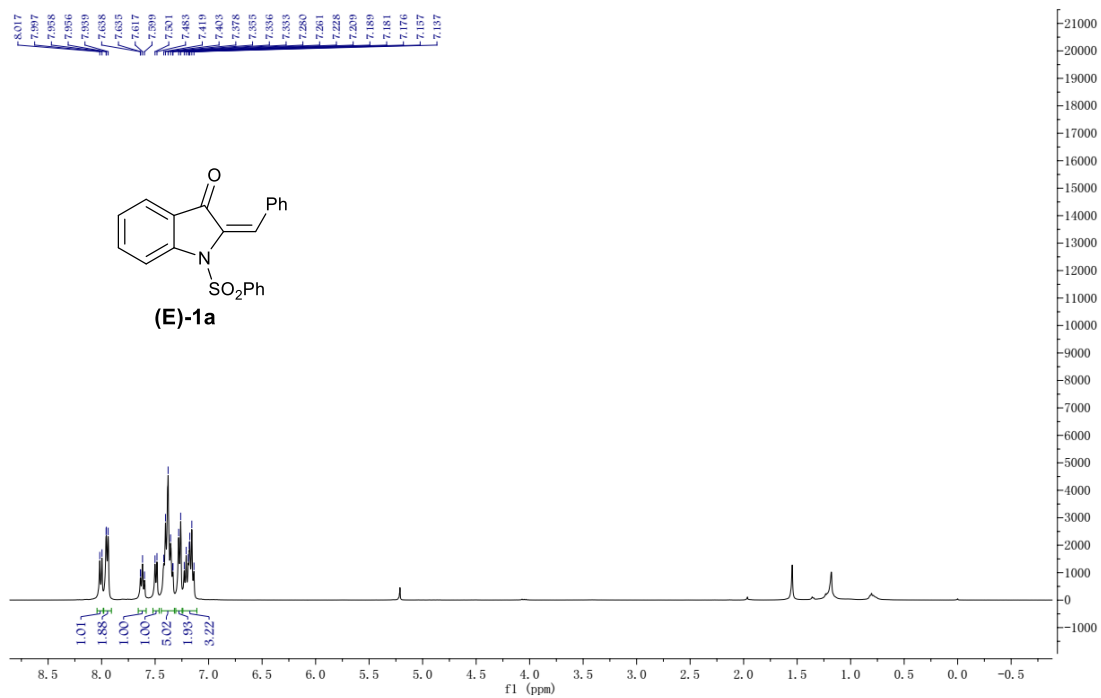
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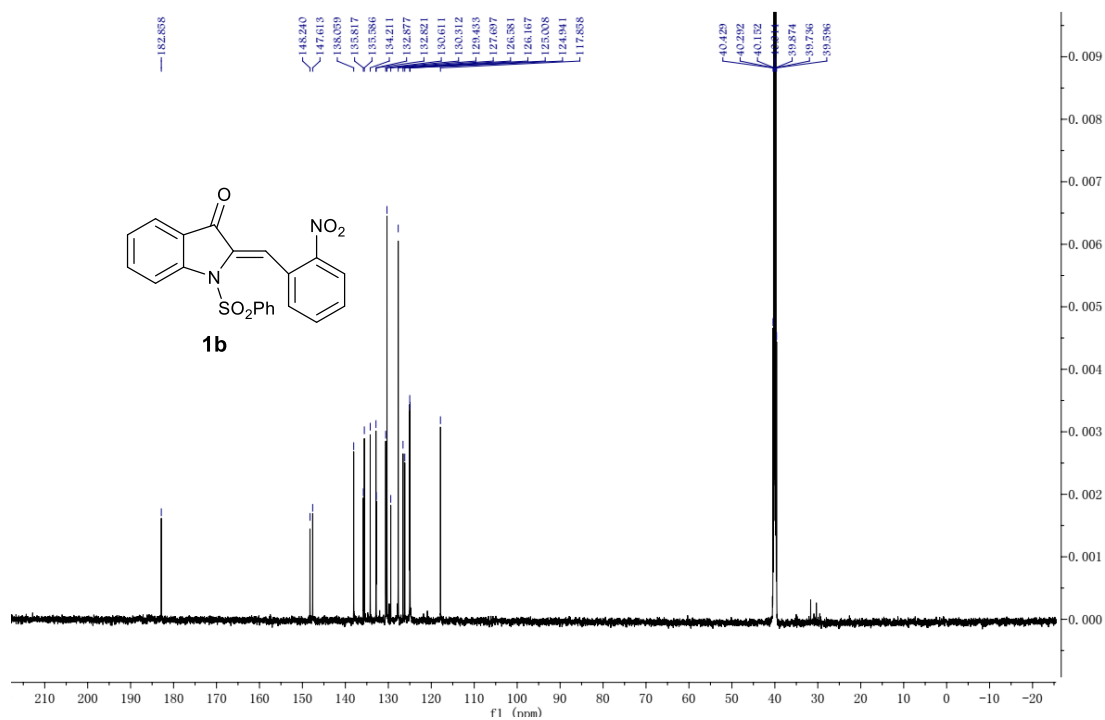
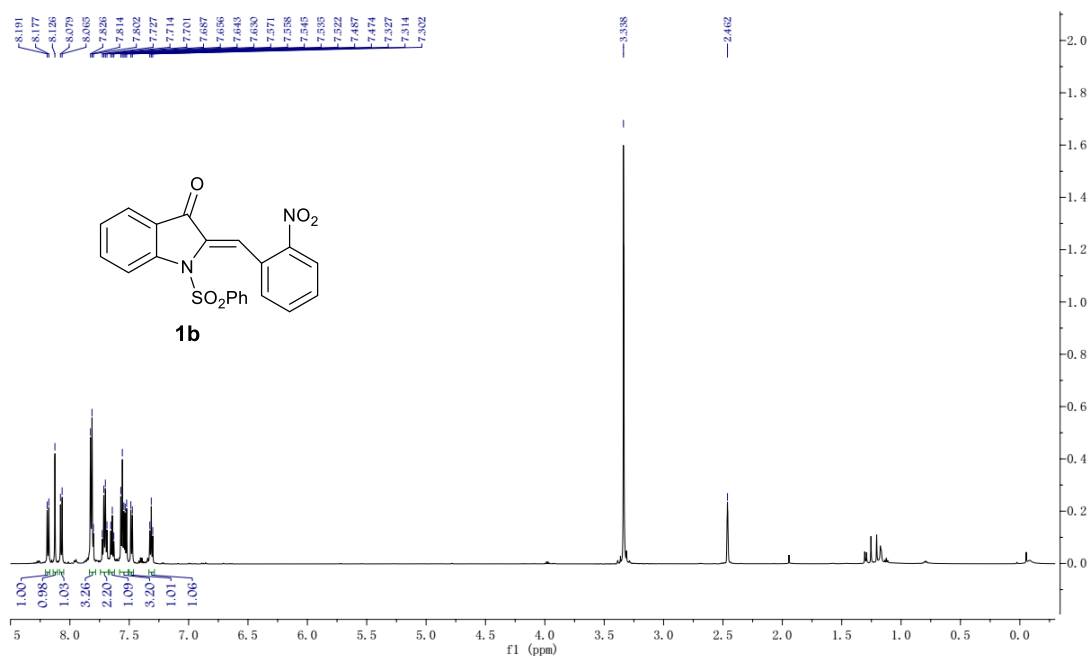


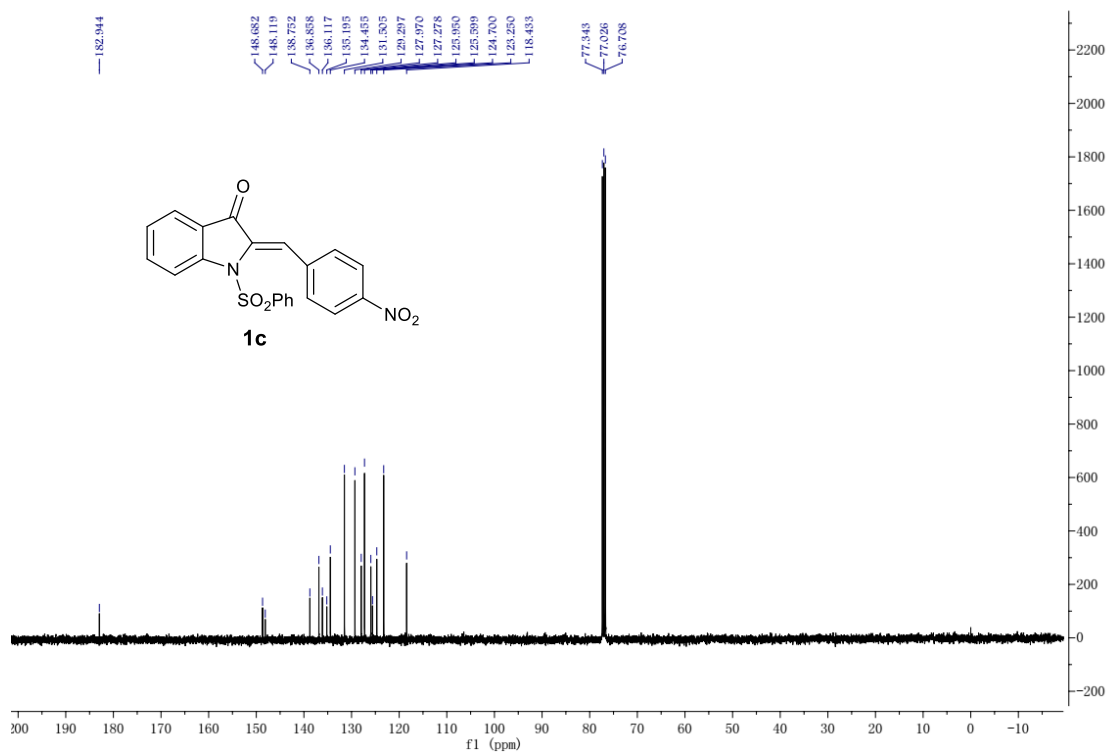
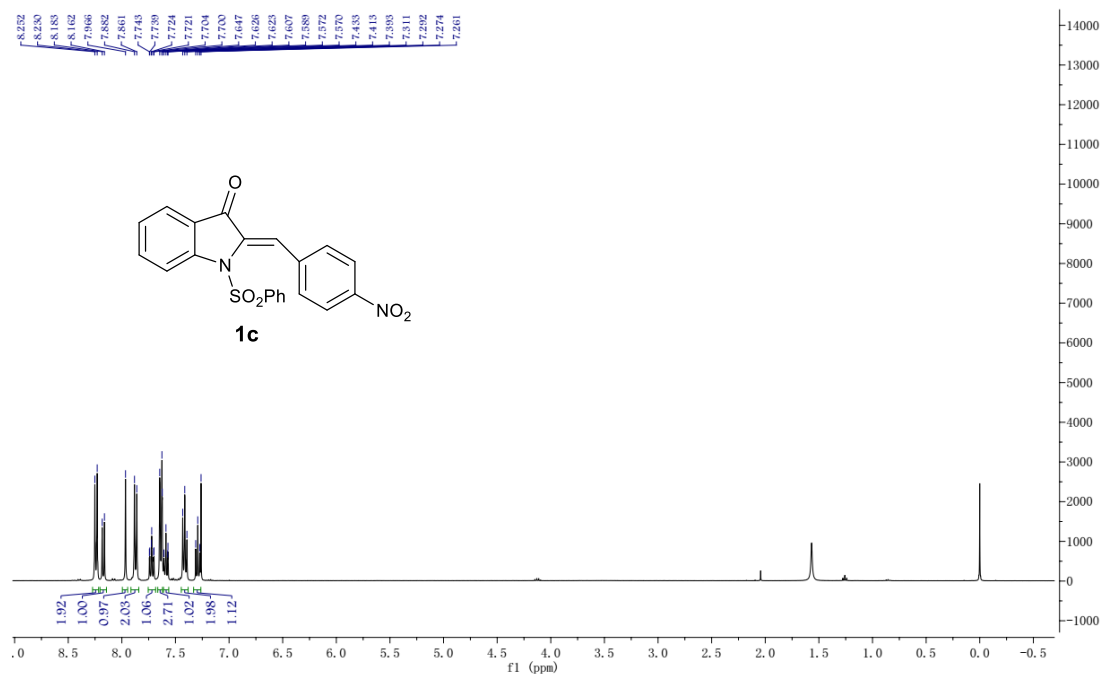
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Crystal system	triclinic
Space group	P-1
a/Å	9.8247(5)
b/Å	11.5260(6)
c/Å	11.6543(5)
α/°	86.407(4)
β/°	74.525(4)
γ/°	72.819(5)
Volume/Å ³	1214.94(11)
Z	2
ρ _{calc} /cm ³	1.526
μ/mm ⁻¹	3.421
F(000)	568.0
Crystal size/mm ³	0.7 × 0.4 × 0.3
Radiation	CuKα (λ = 1.54184)
2θ range for data collection/°	9.76 to 145.602
Index ranges	-11 ≤ h ≤ 9, -14 ≤ k ≤ 13, -14 ≤ l ≤ 10
Reflections collected	13326
Independent reflections	4725 [R _{int} = 0.0434, R _{sigma} = 0.0336]
Data/restraints/parameters	4725/0/325
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.086
Final R indexes [I ≥ 2σ (I)]	R ₁ = 0.0578, wR ₂ = 0.1459
Final R indexes [all data]	R ₁ = 0.0612, wR ₂ = 0.1505
Largest diff. pEtOack/hole / e Å ⁻³	0.43/-1.21

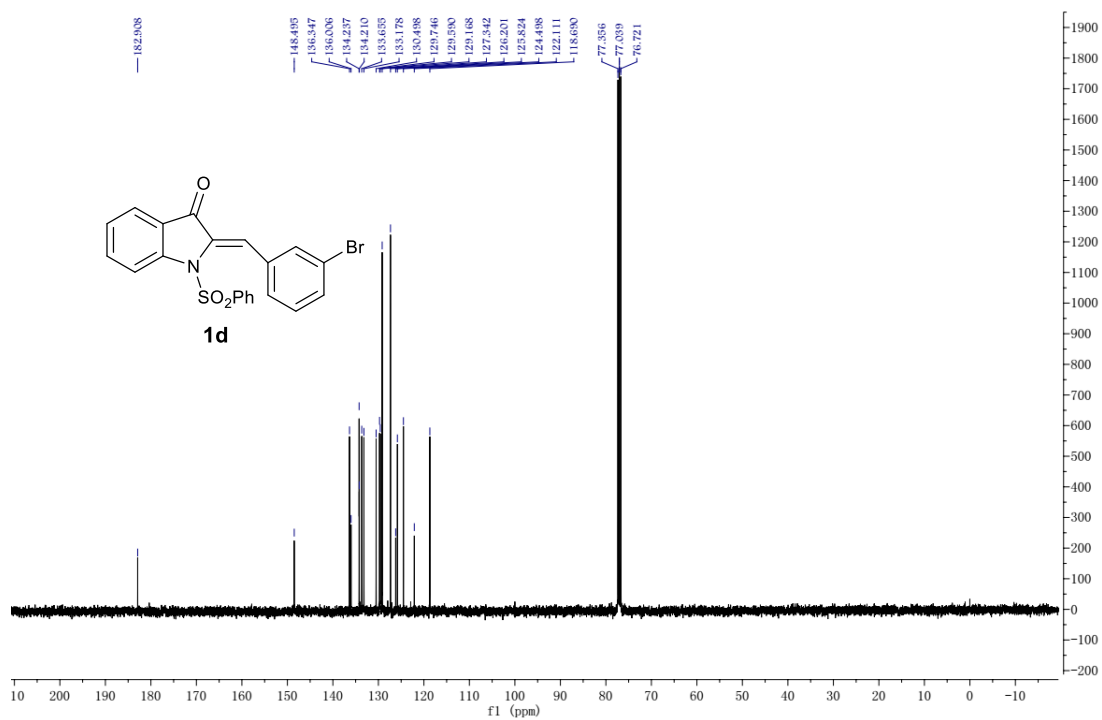
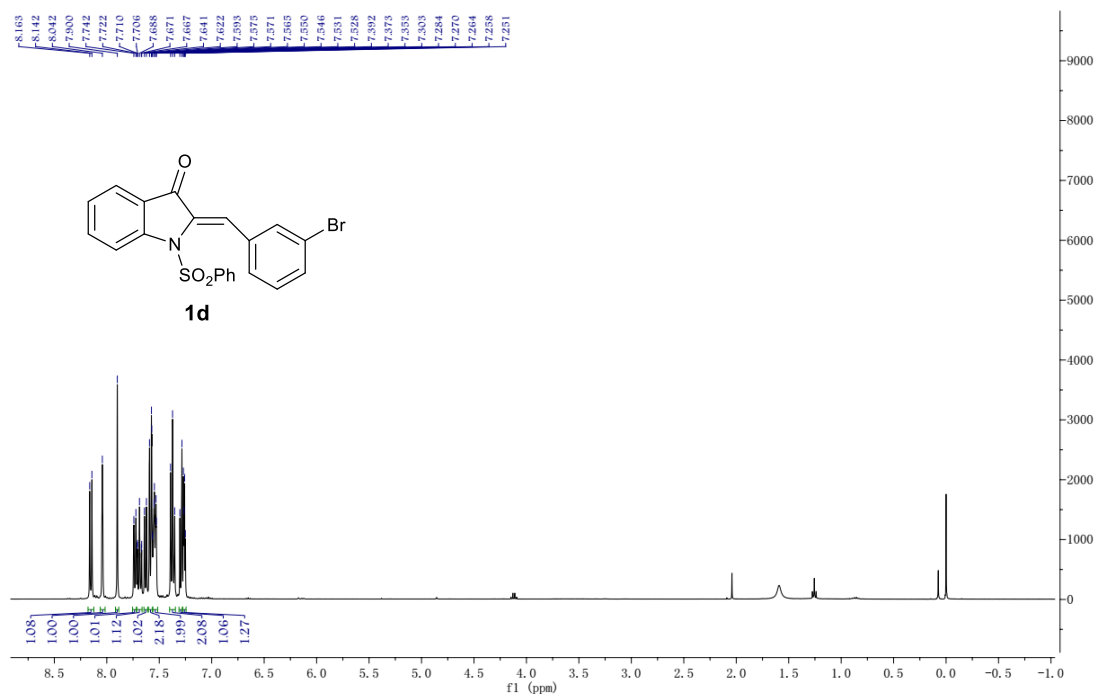
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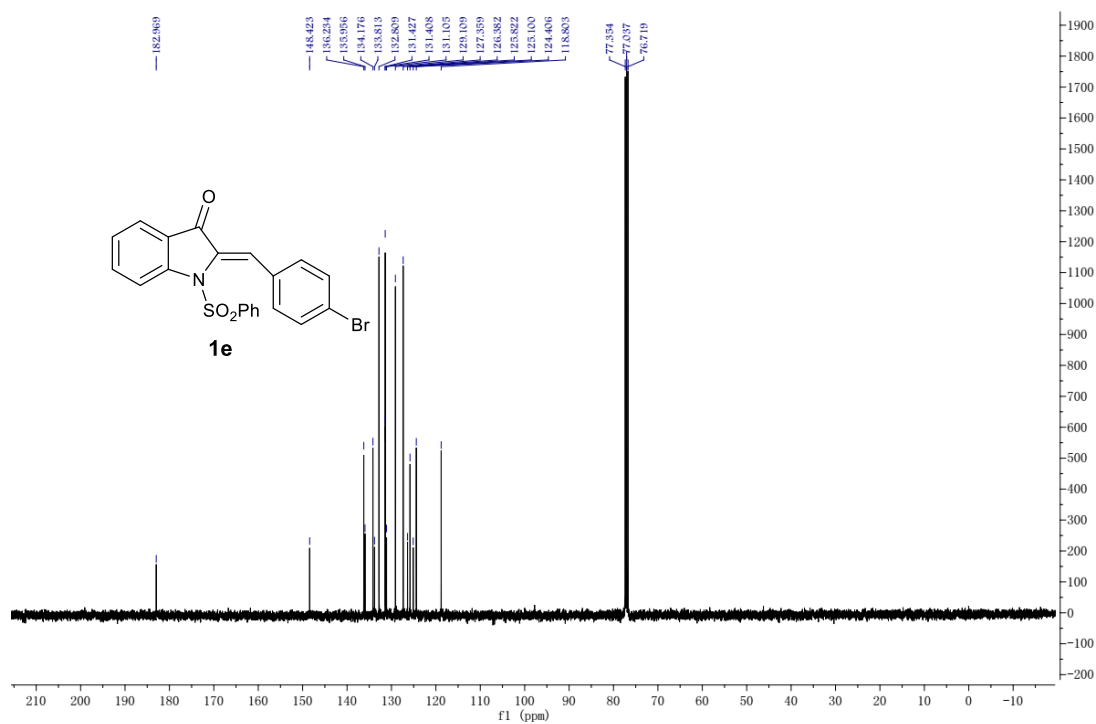
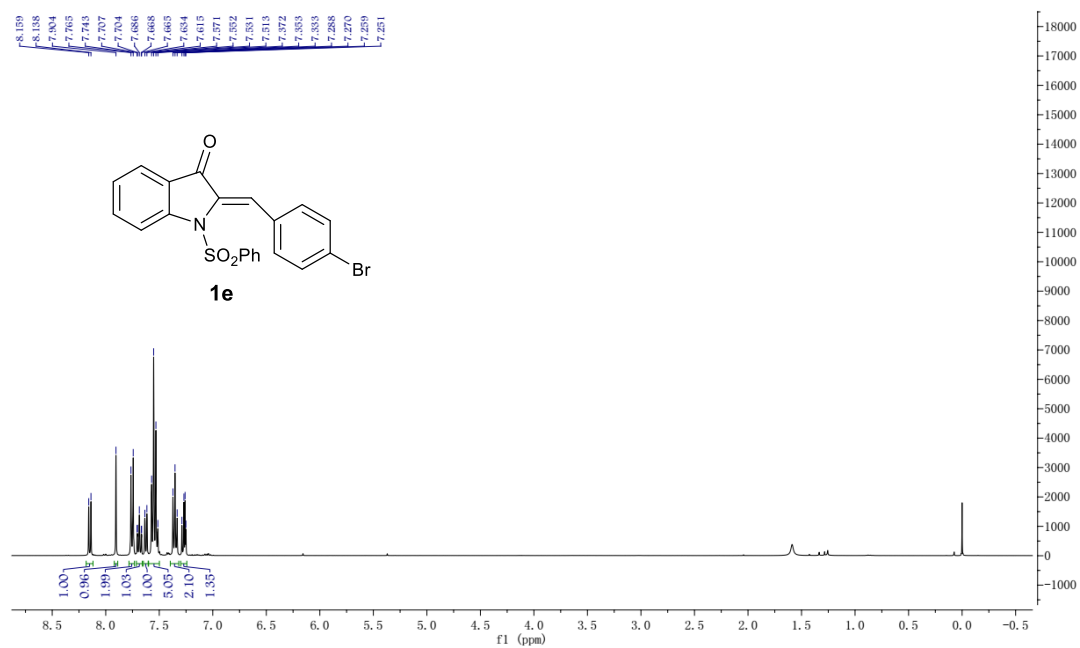


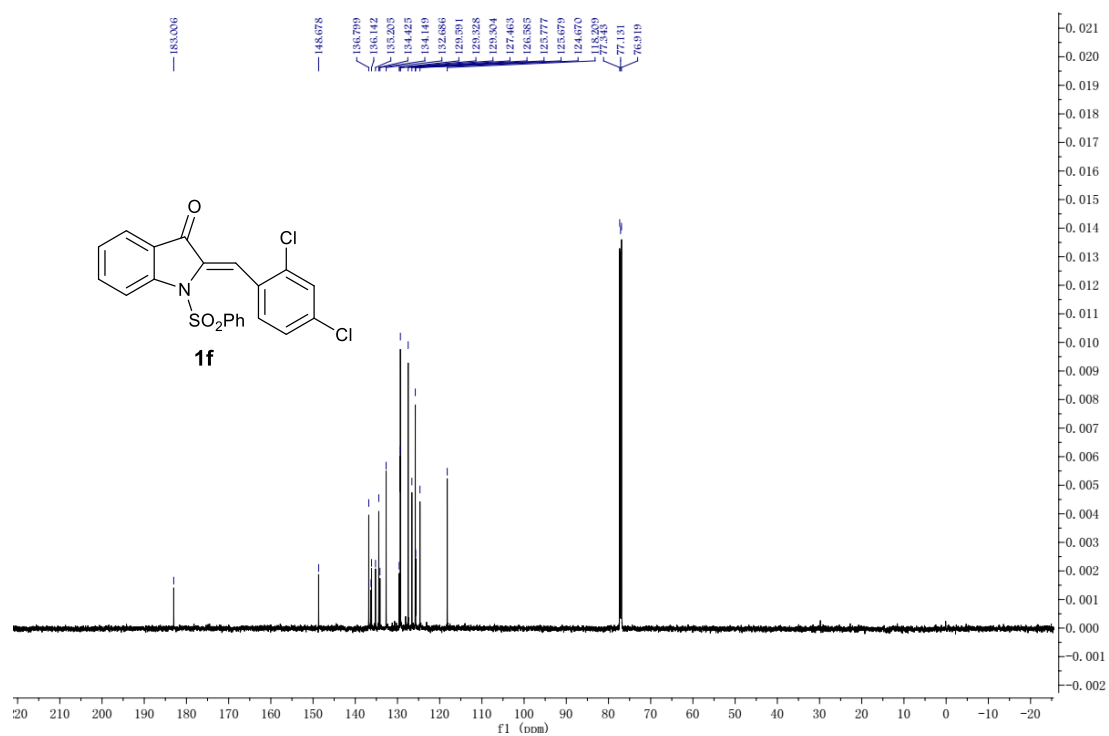
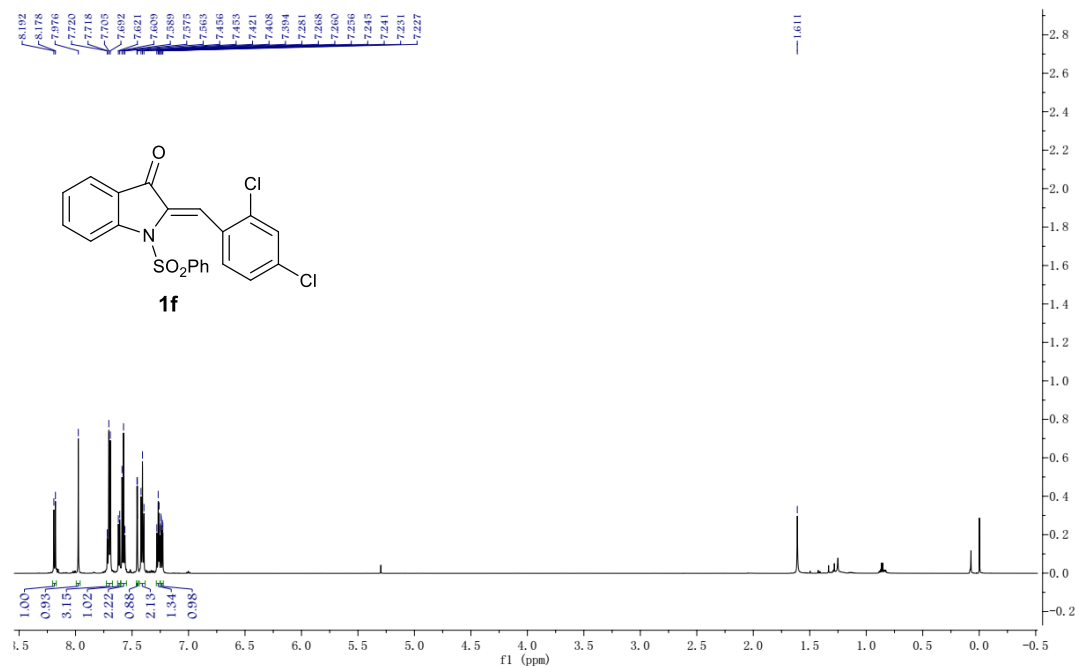


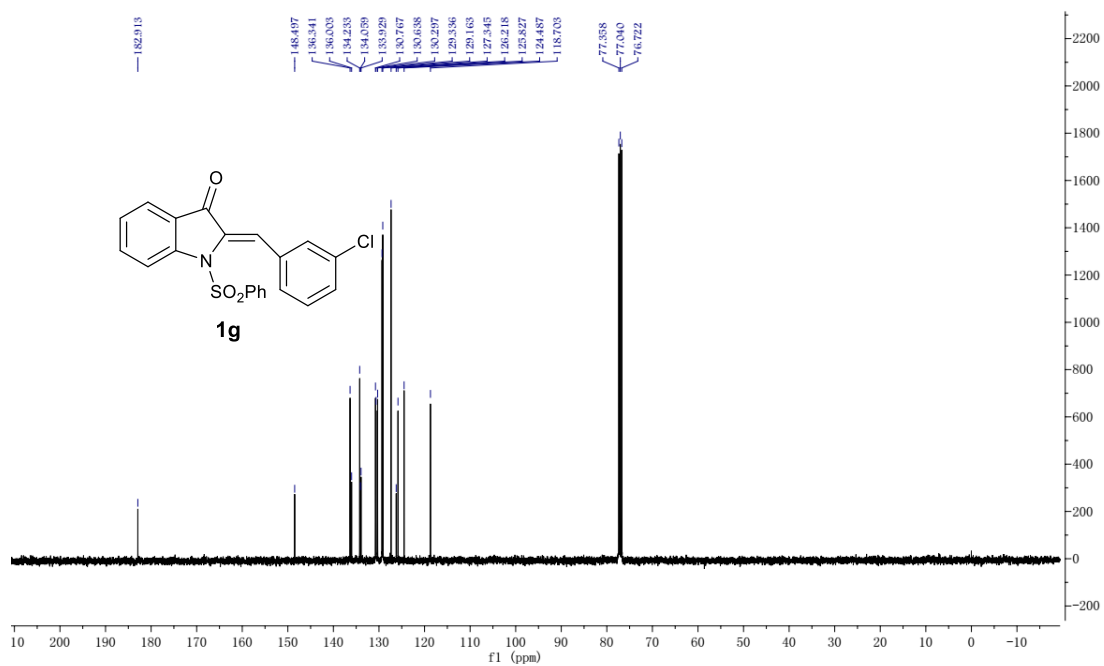
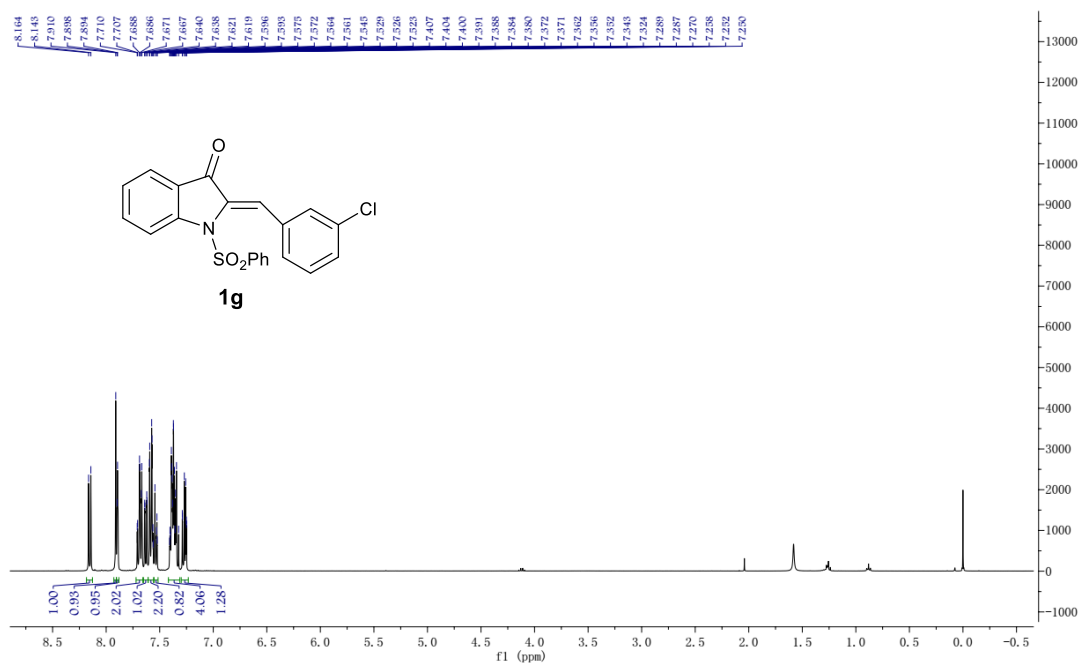


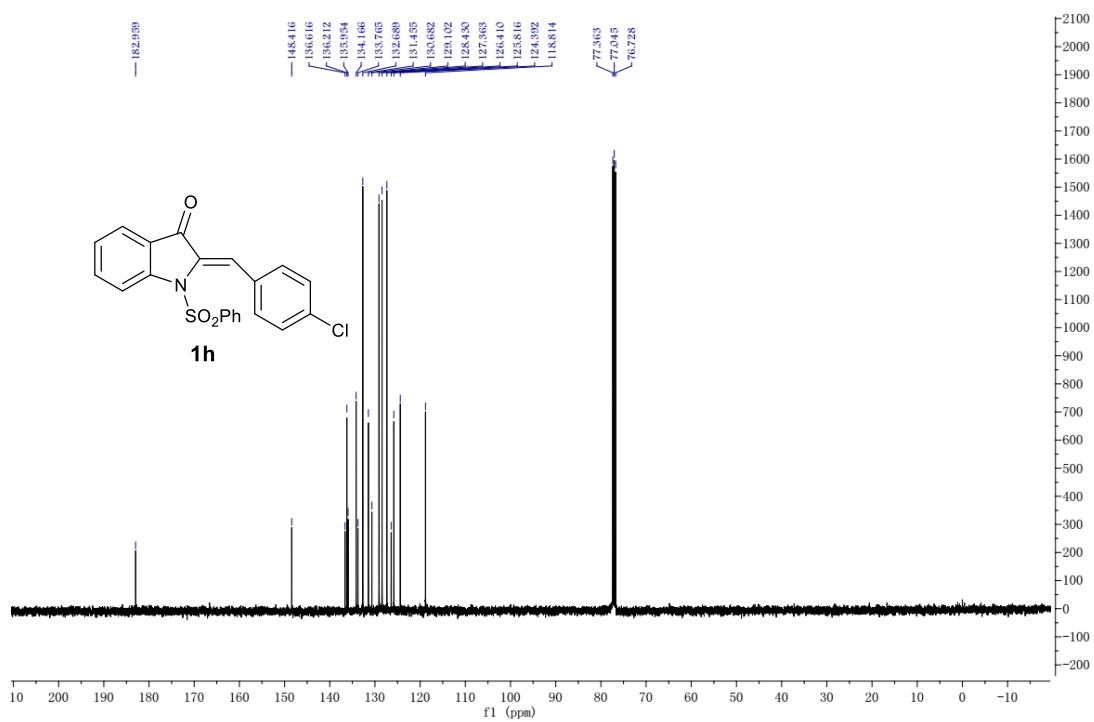
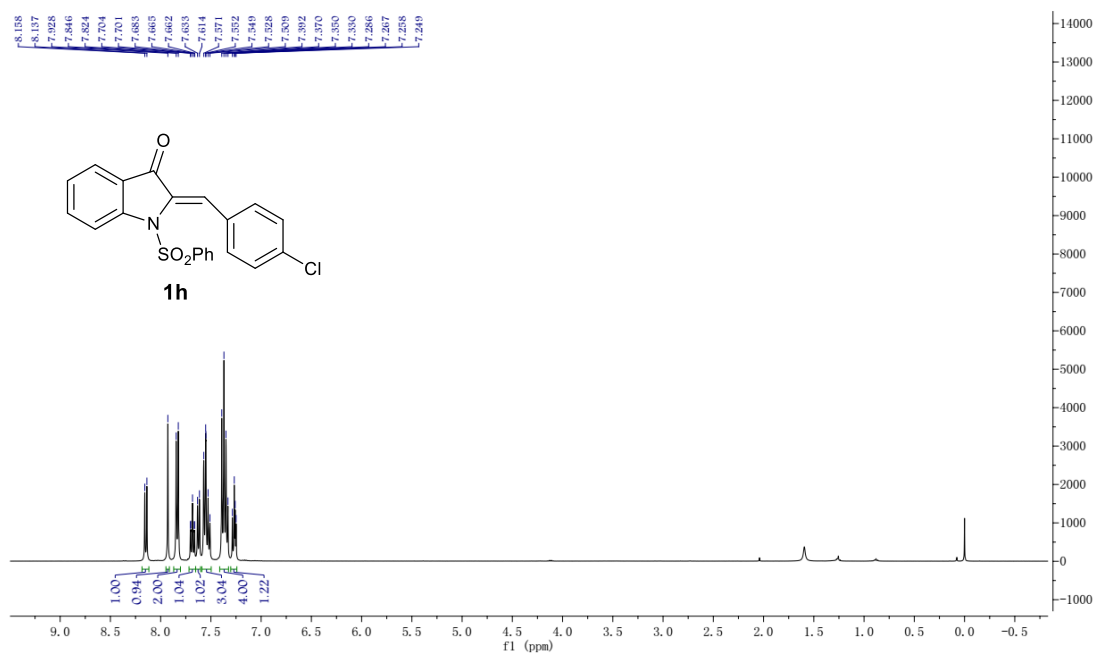


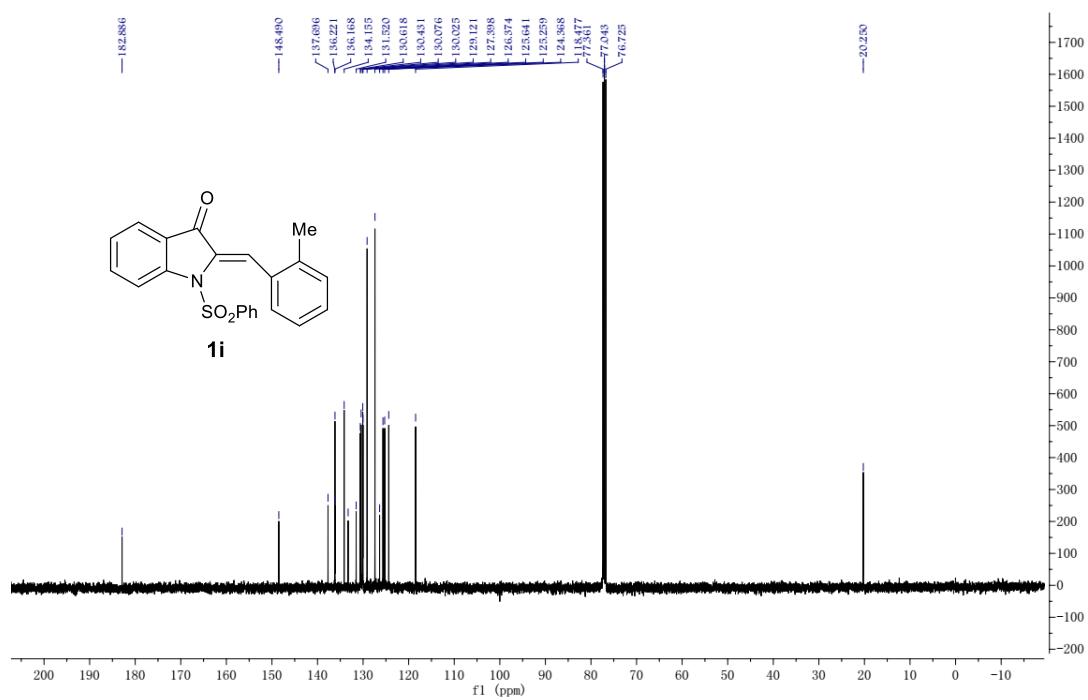
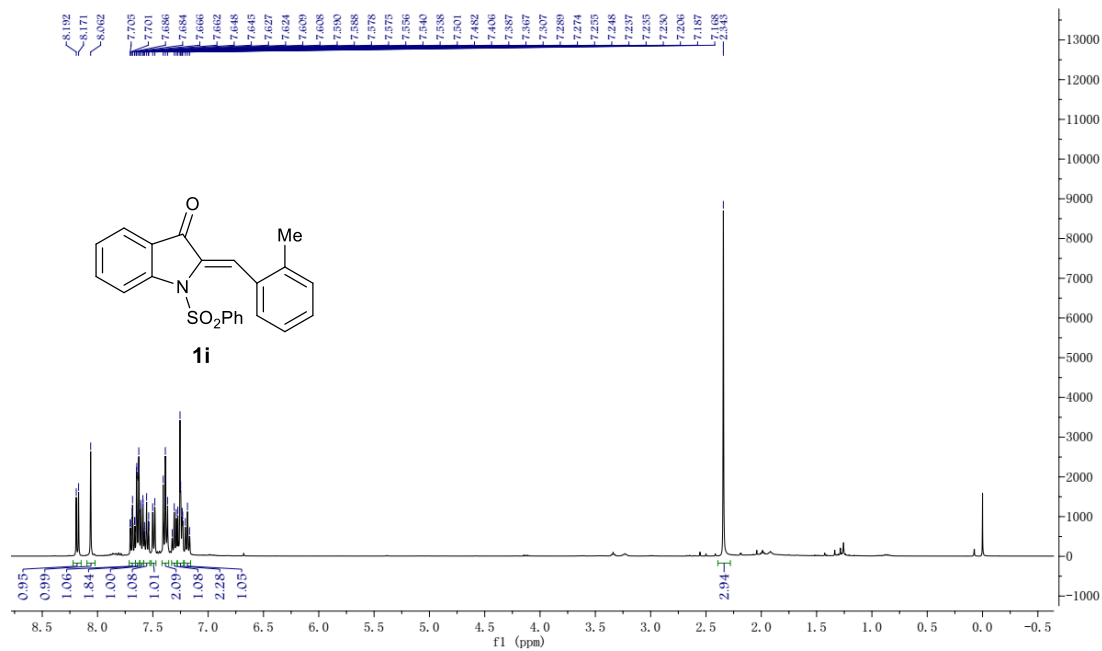


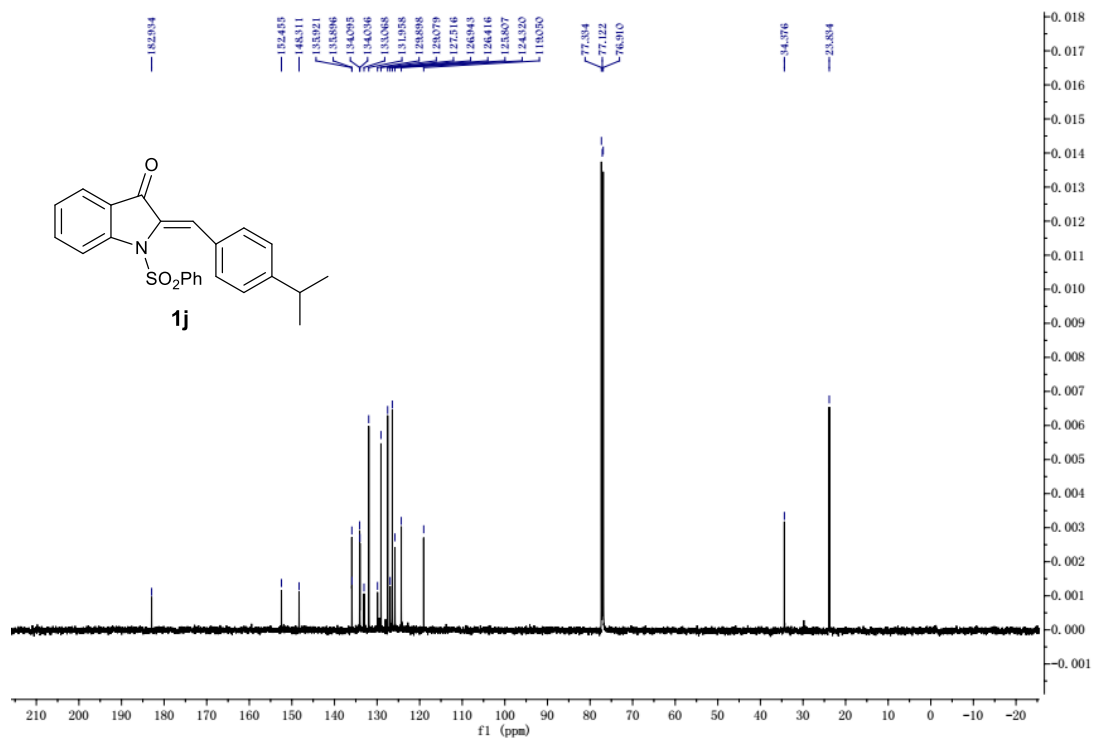
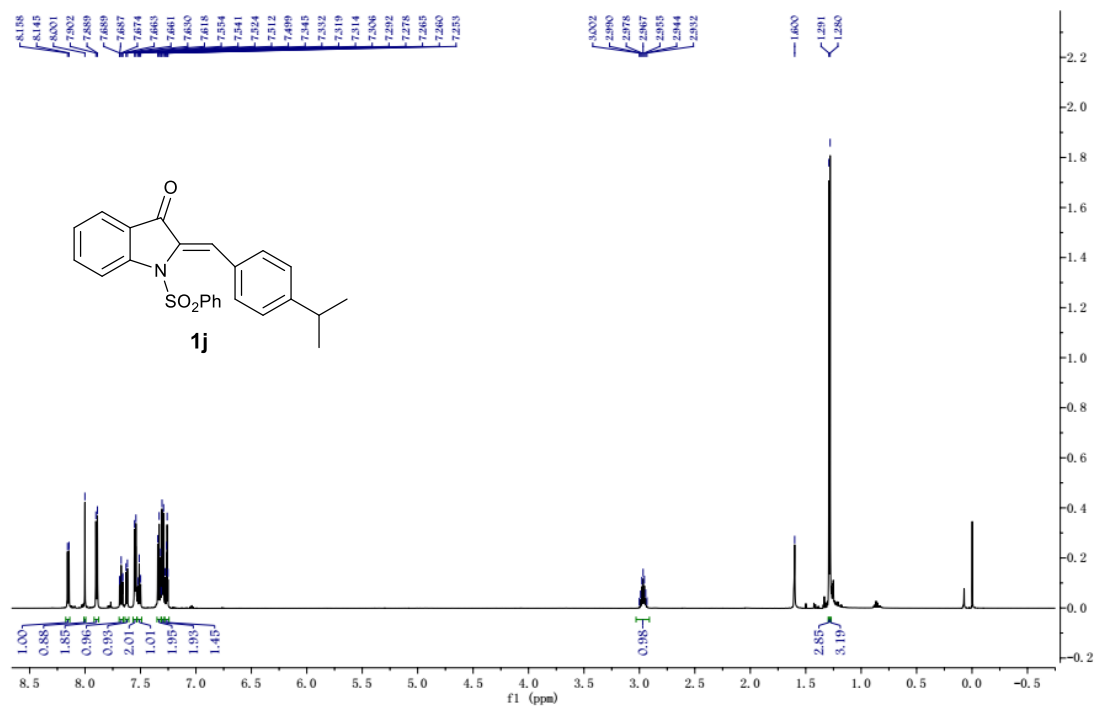


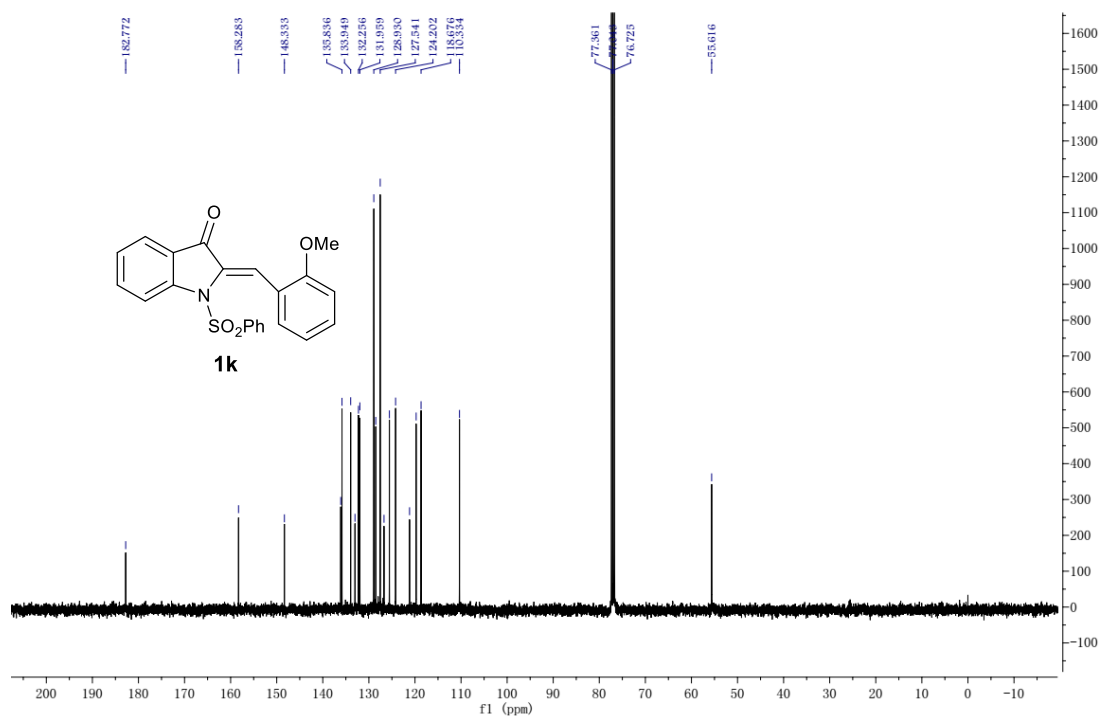
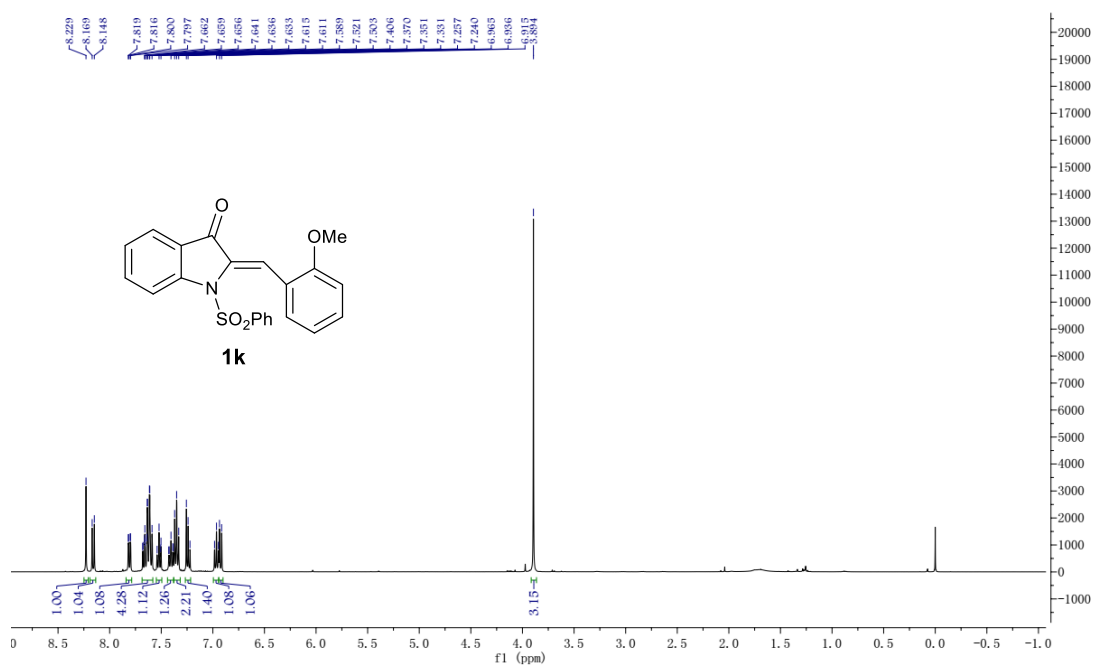


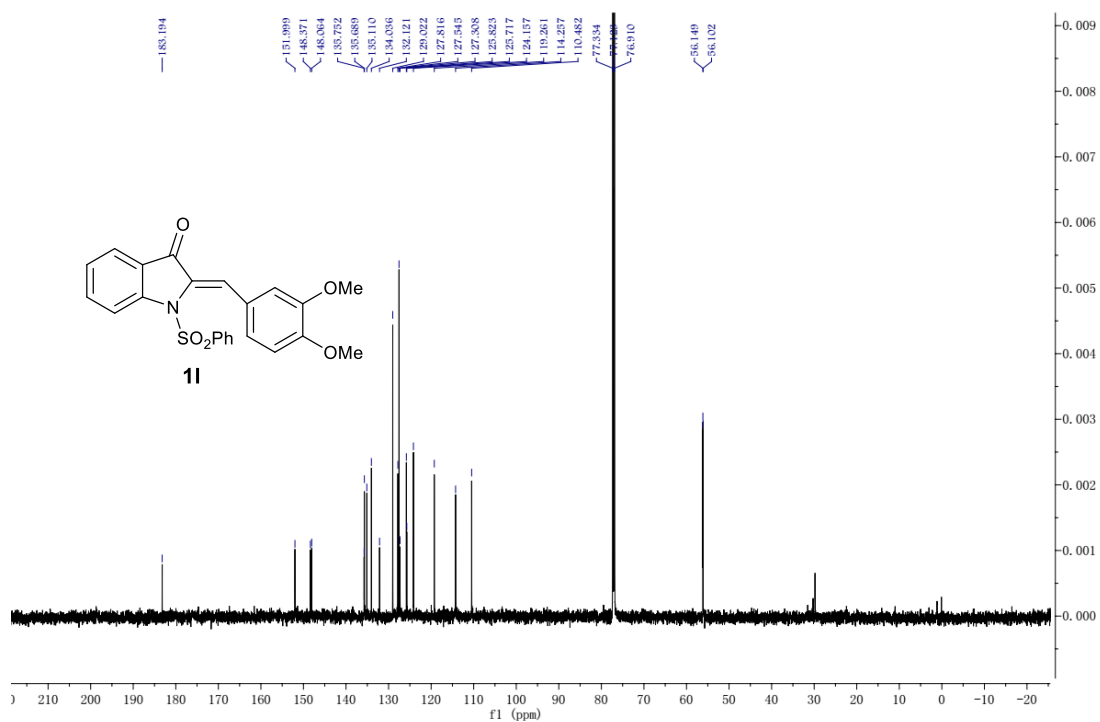
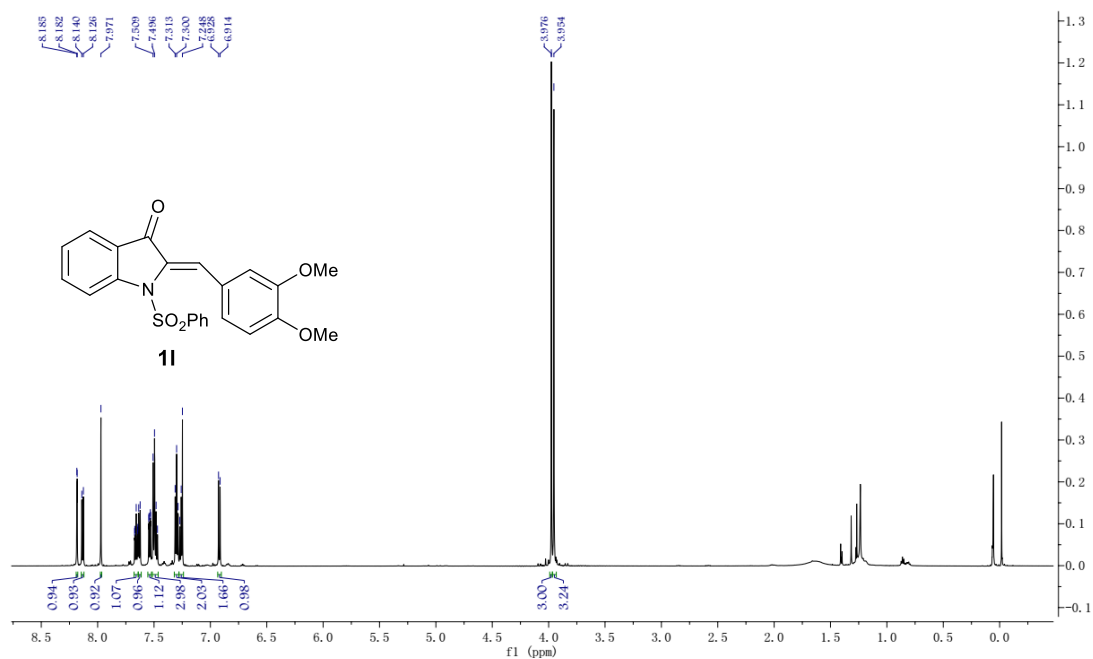


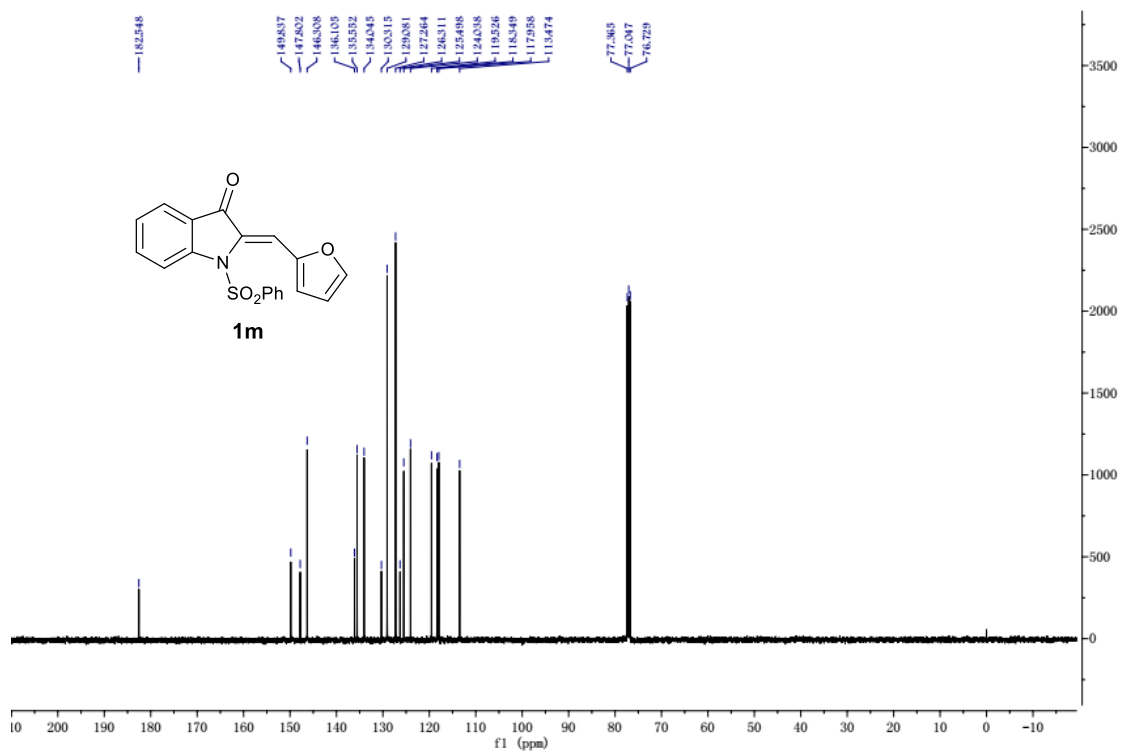
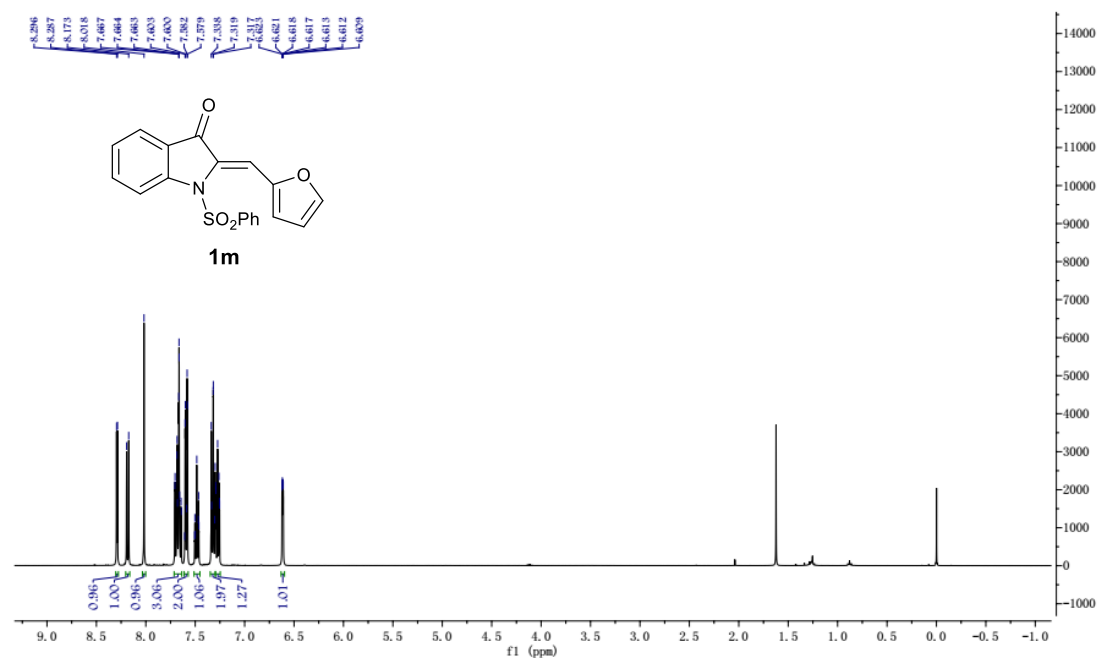


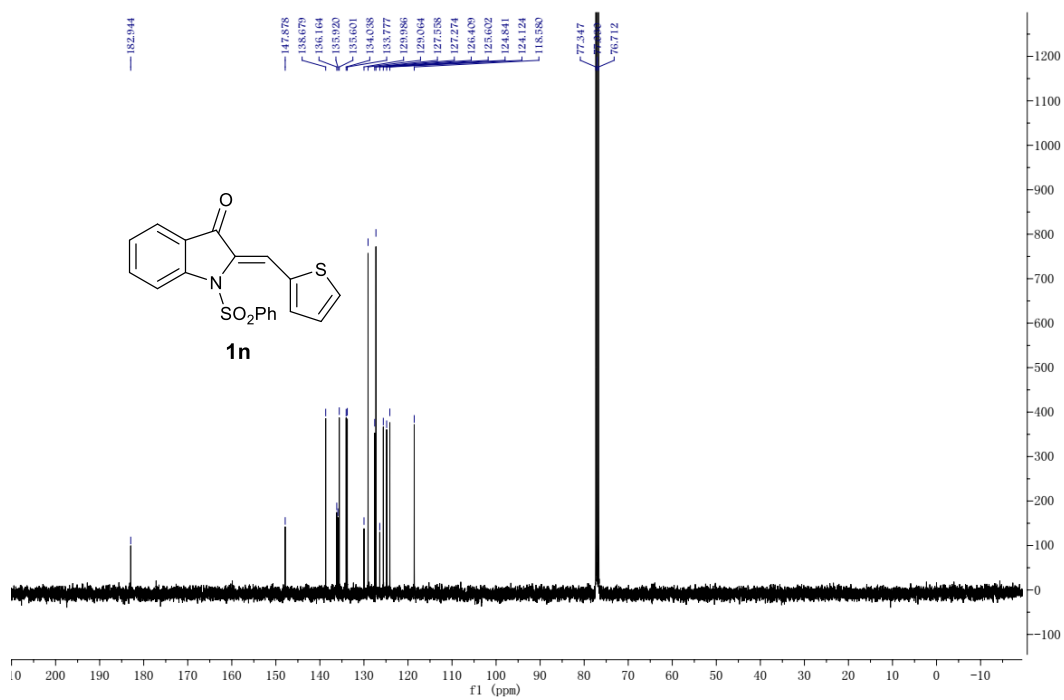
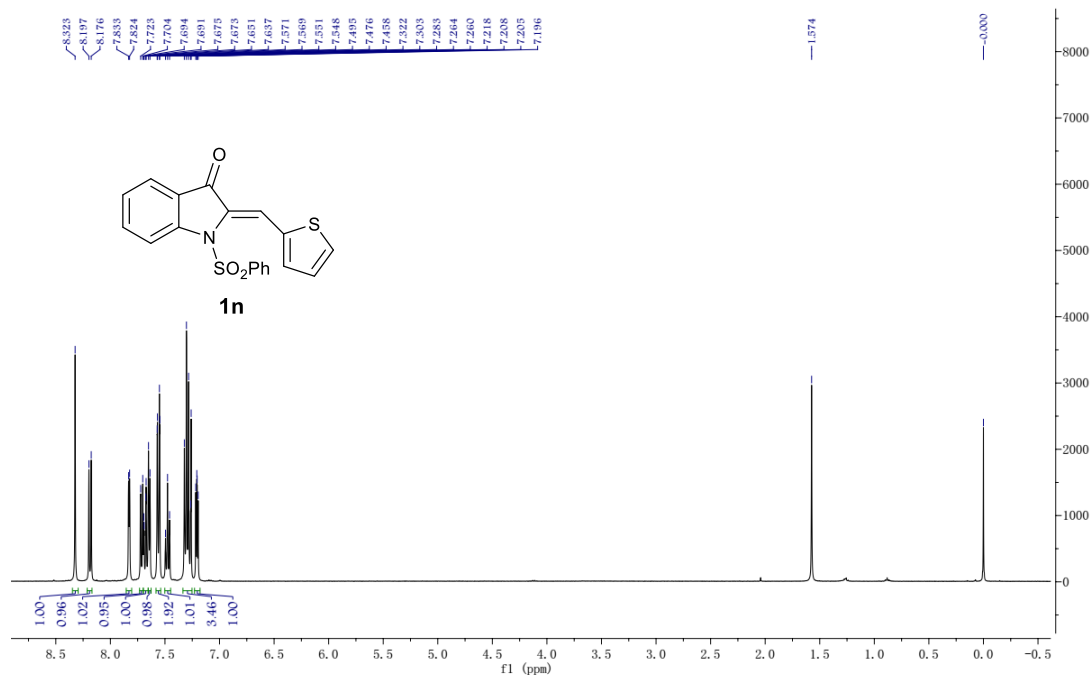


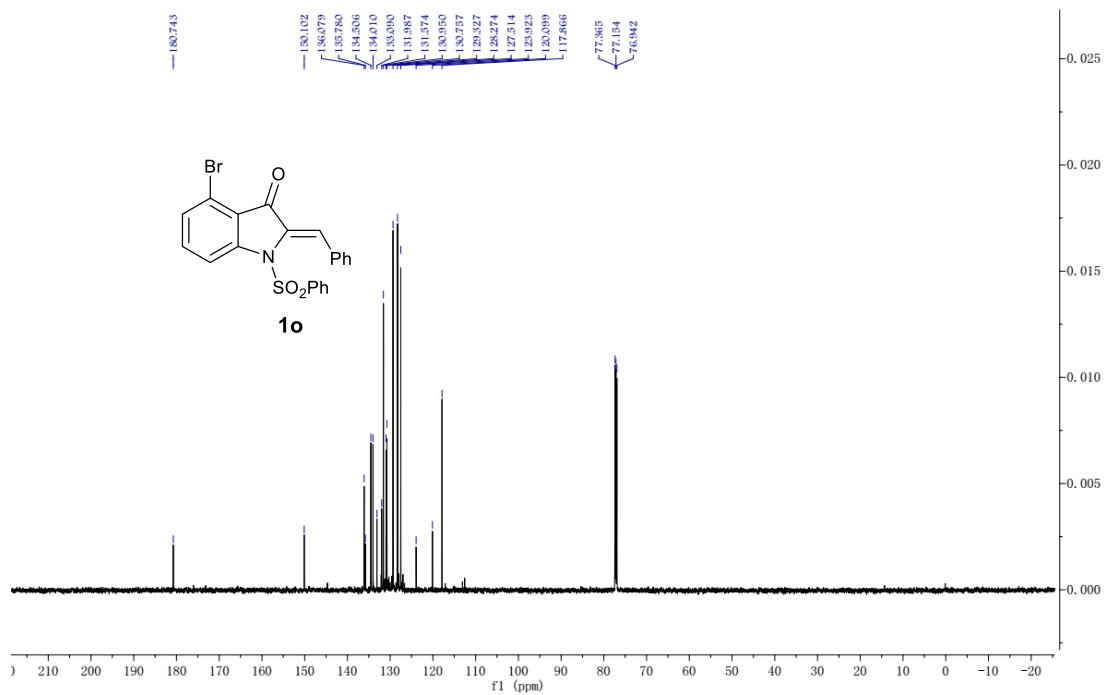
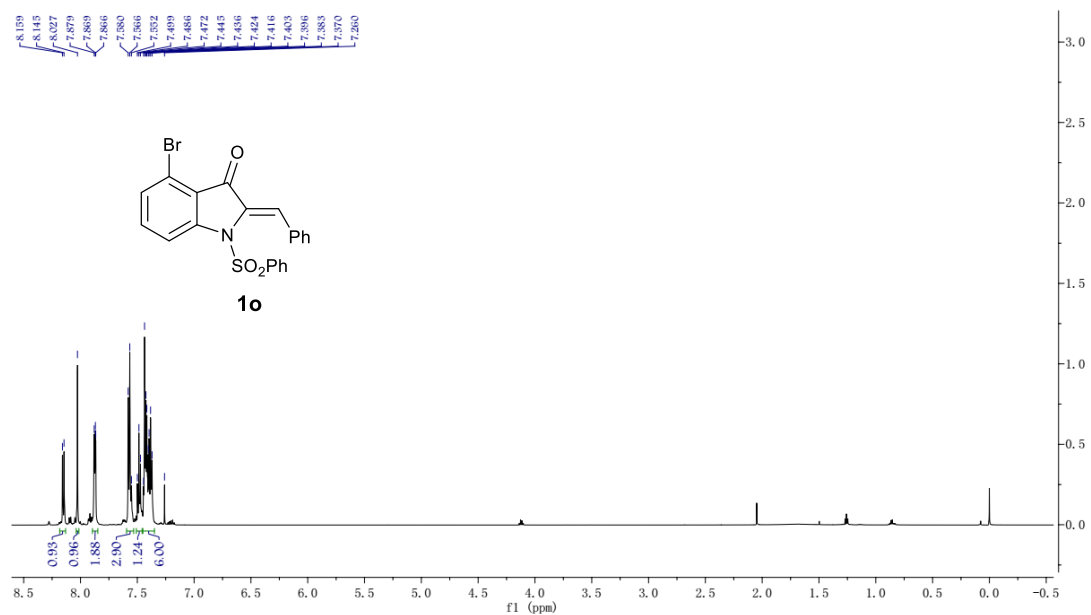


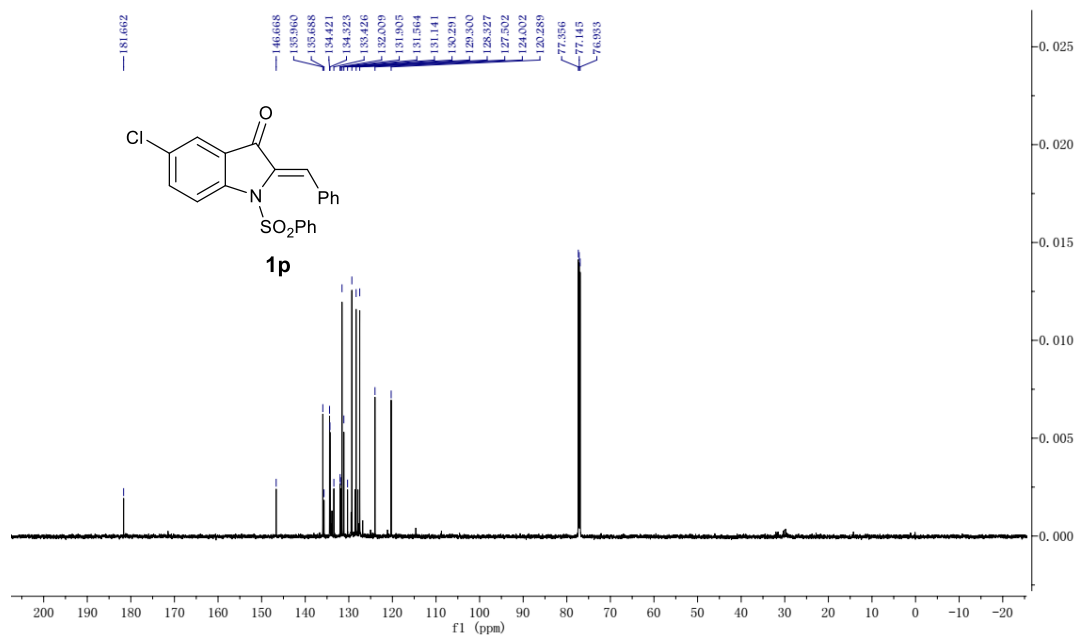
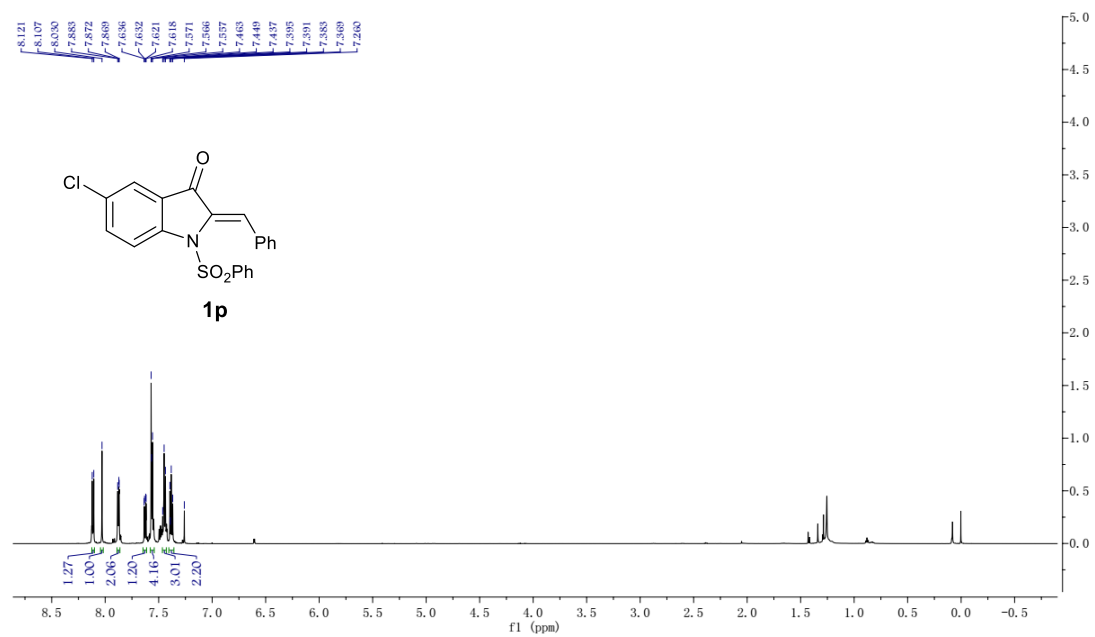


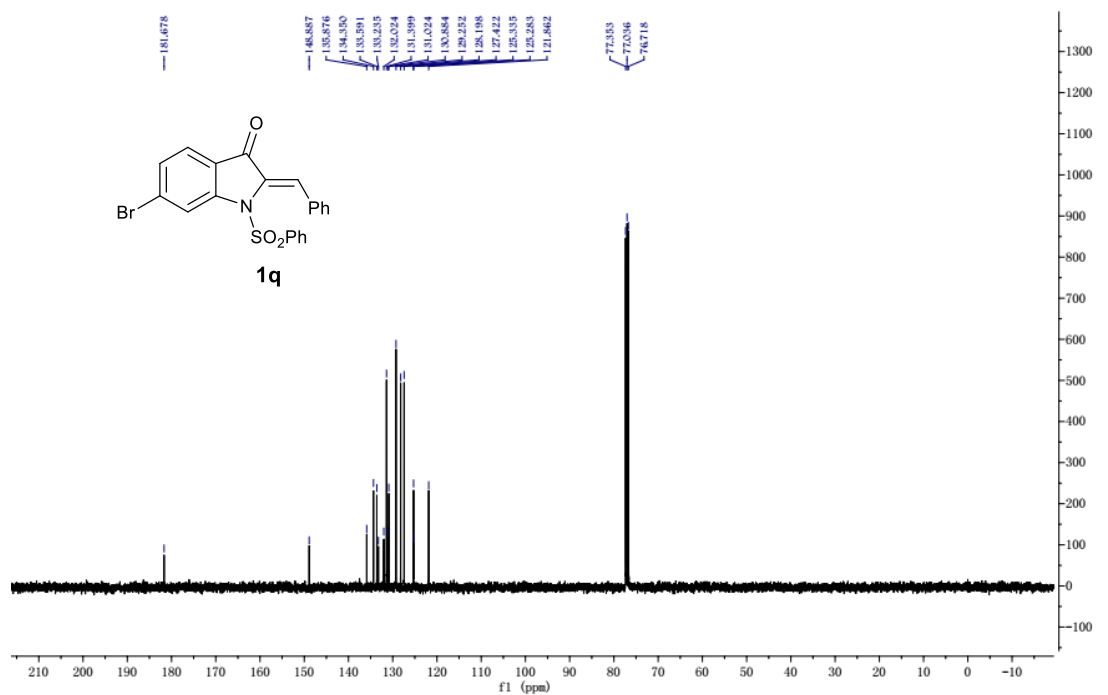
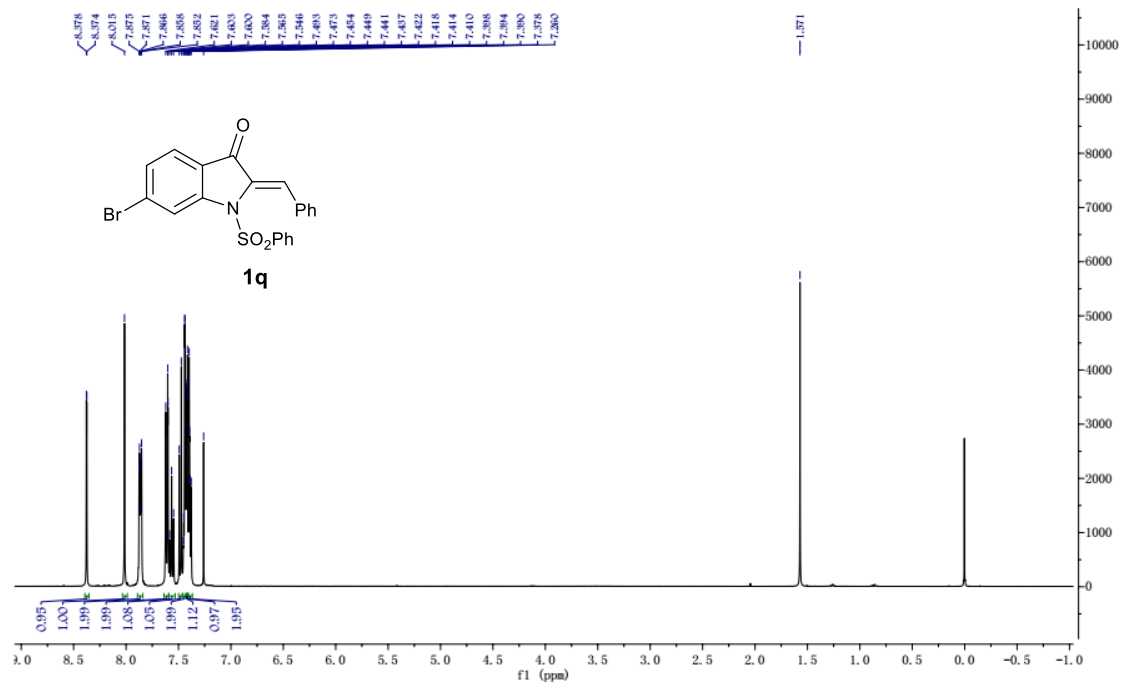


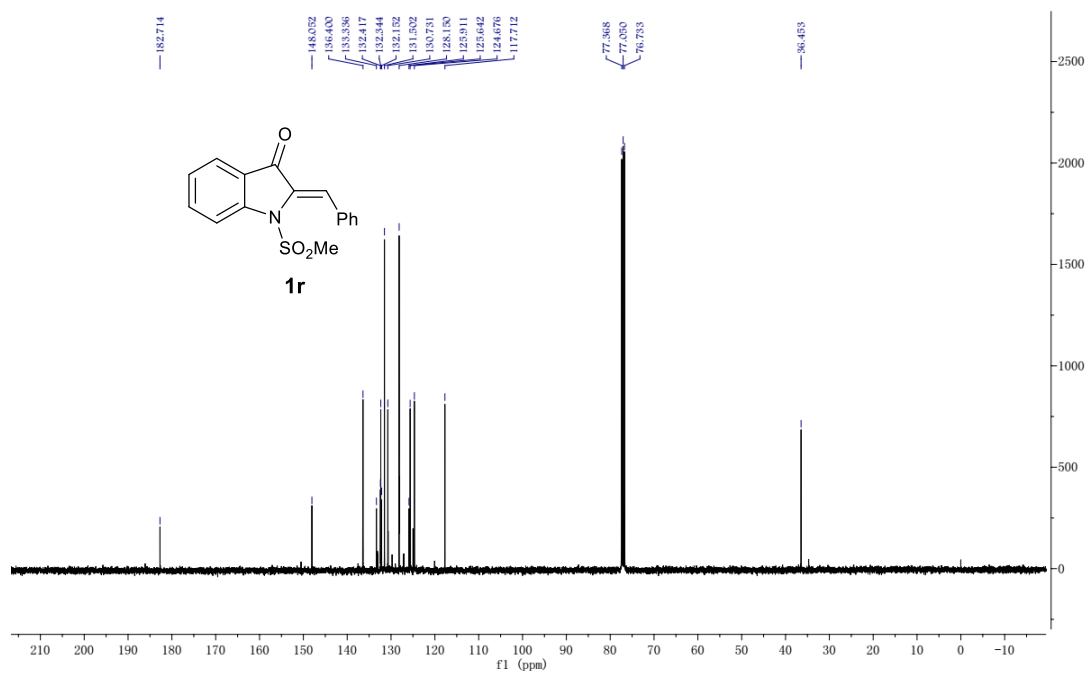
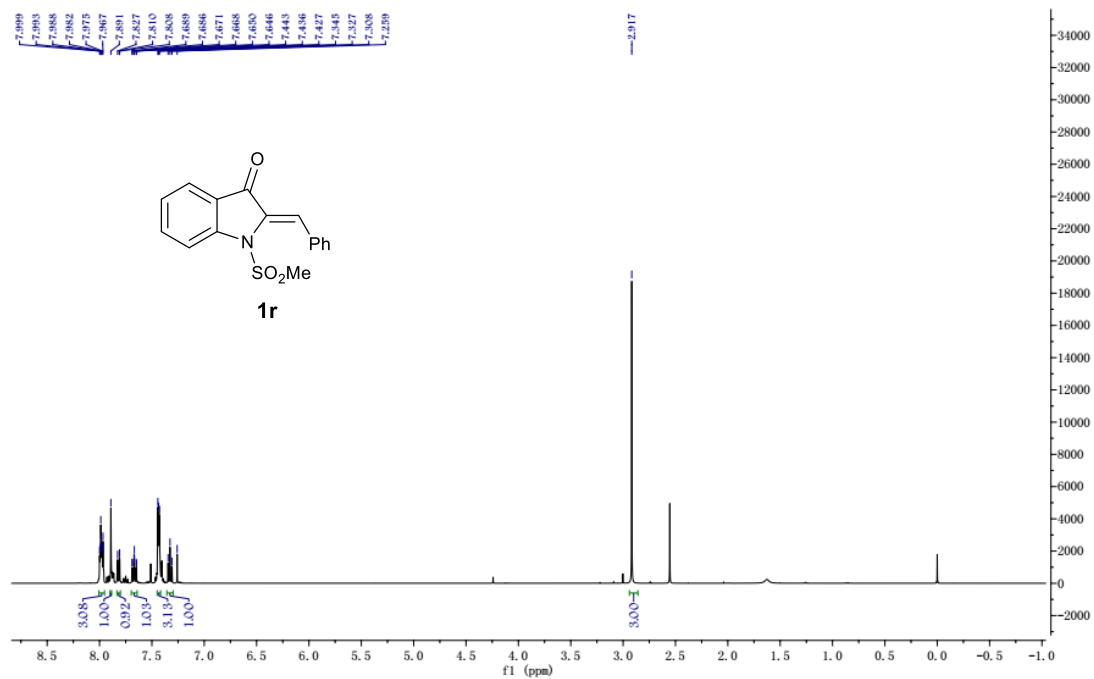




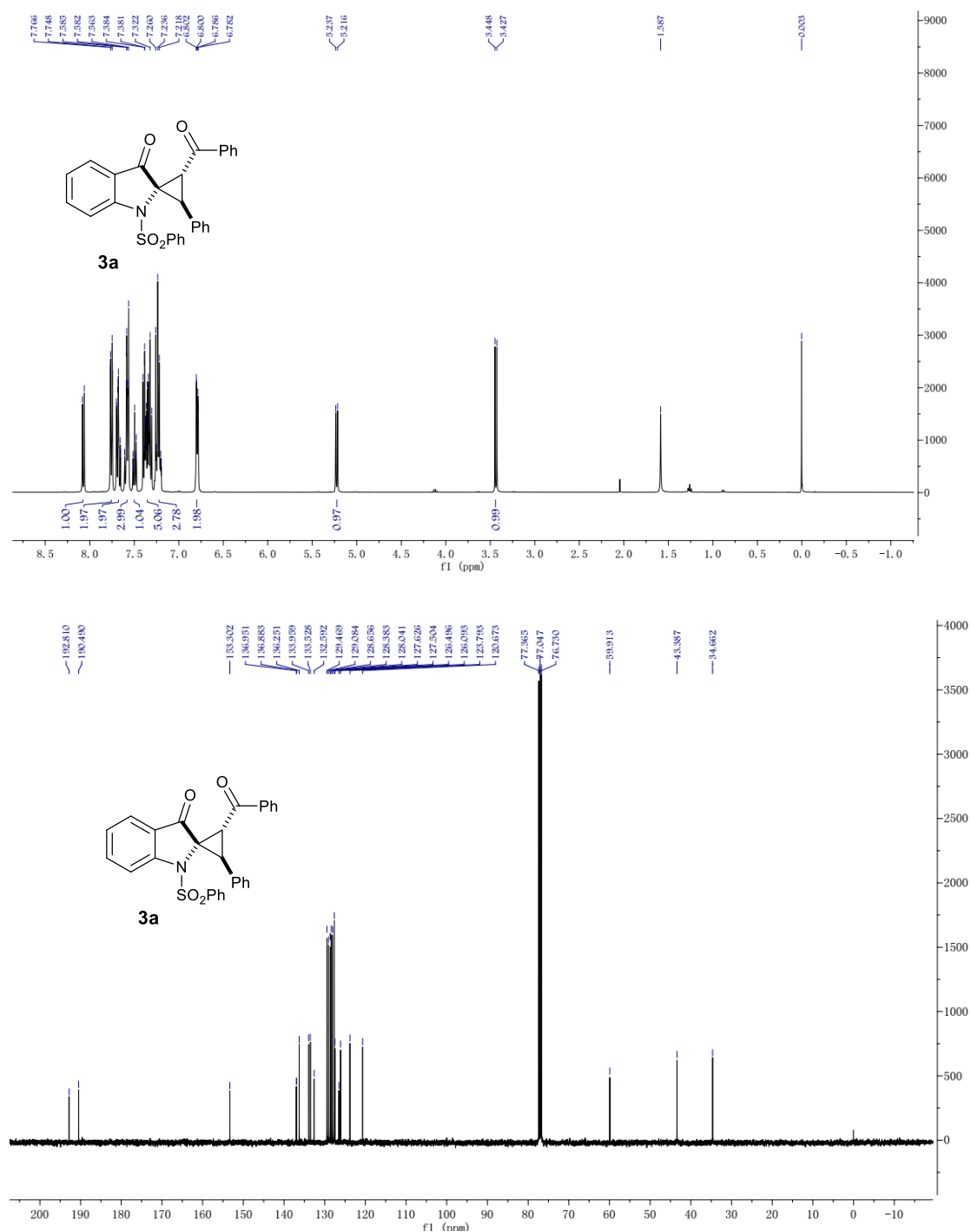


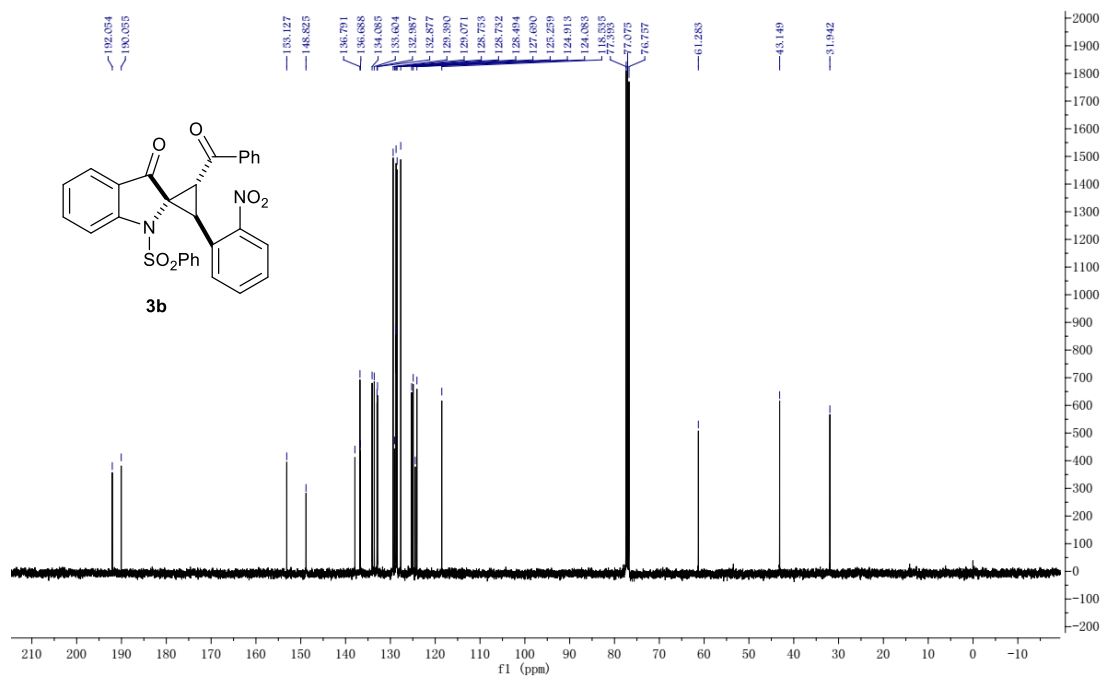
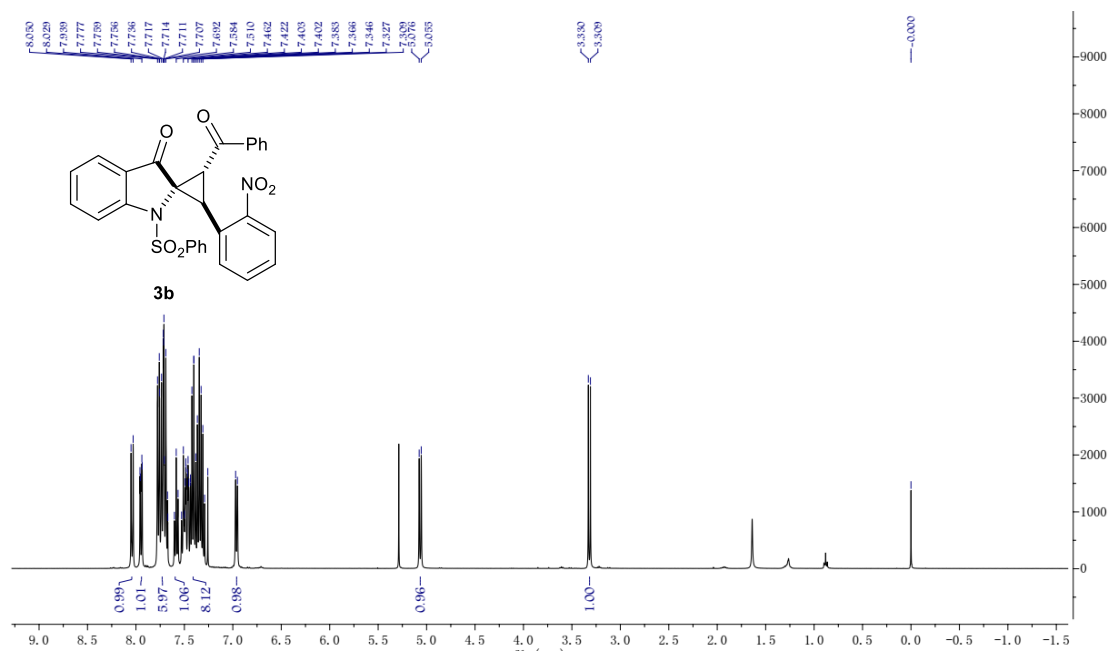


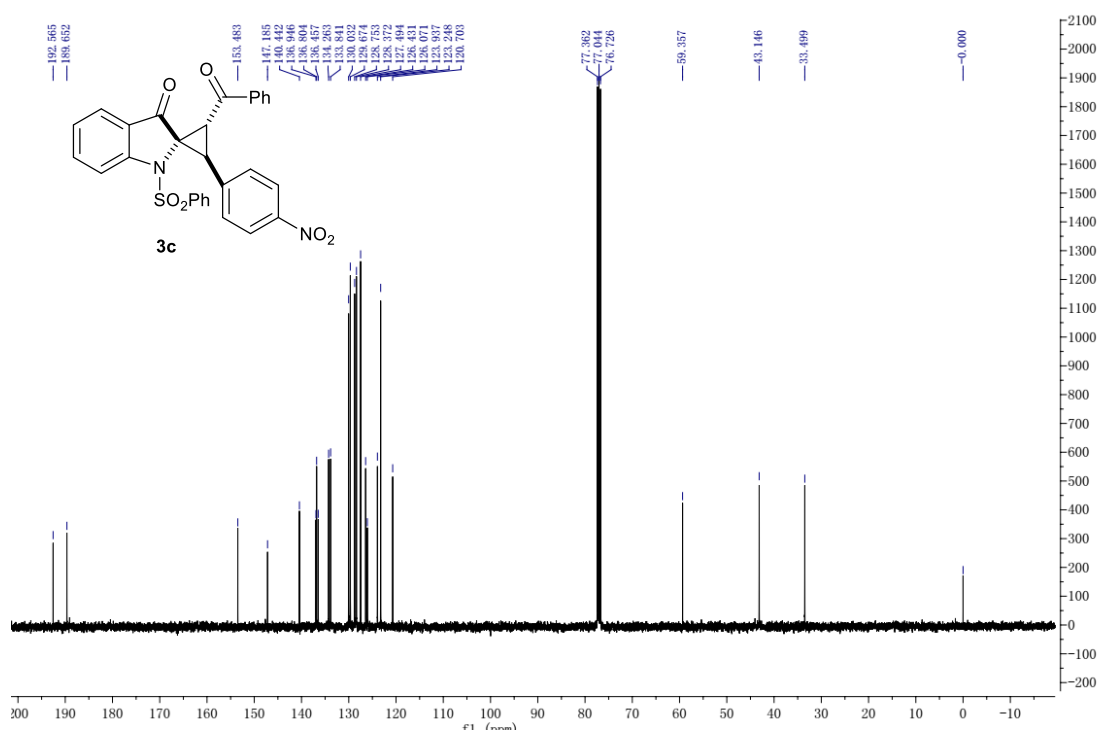
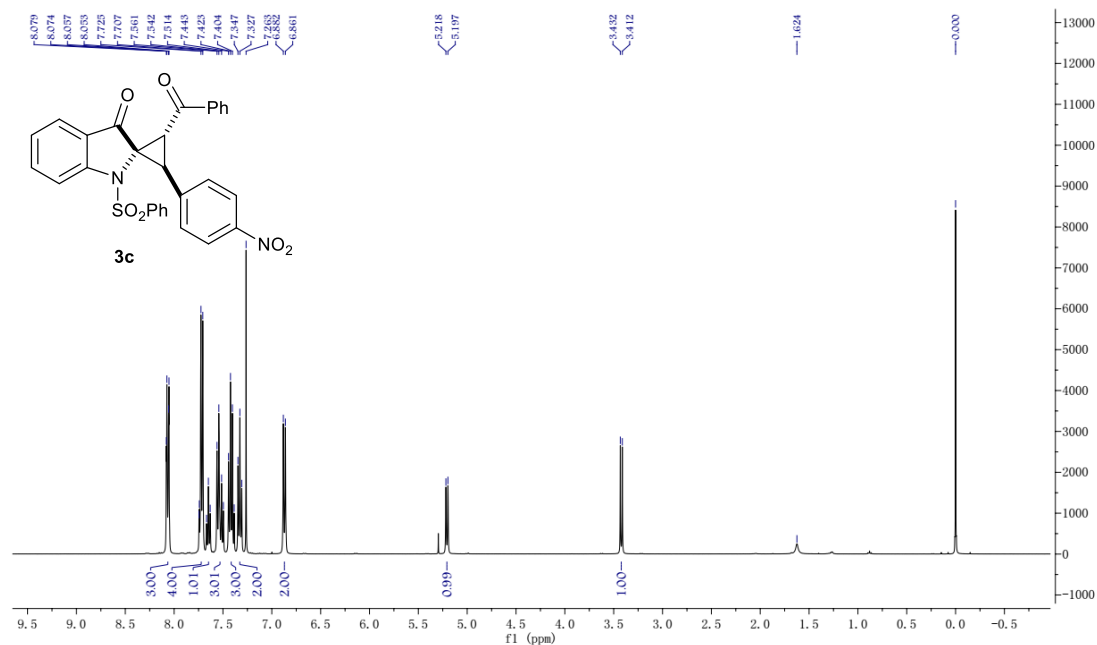


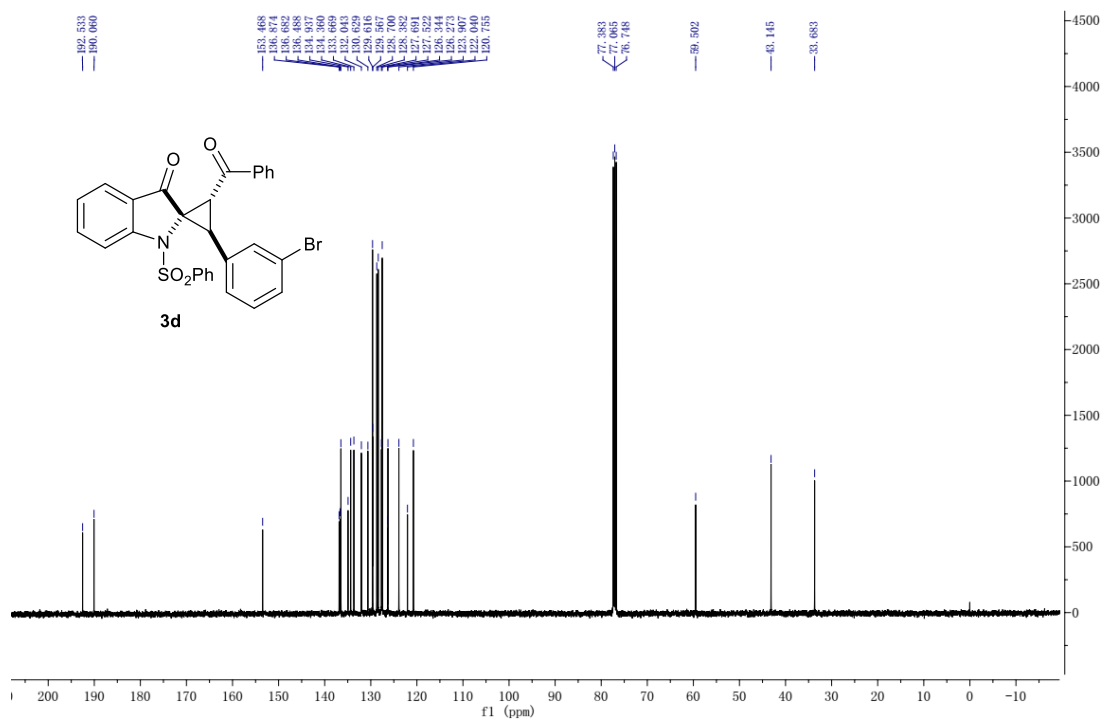
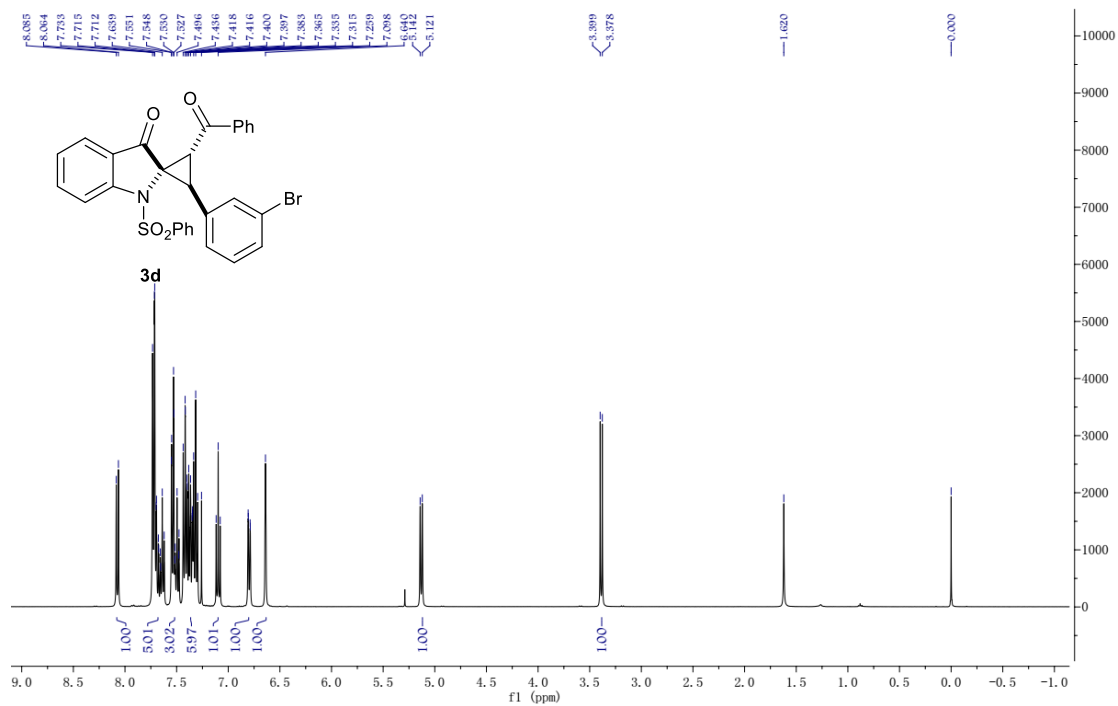


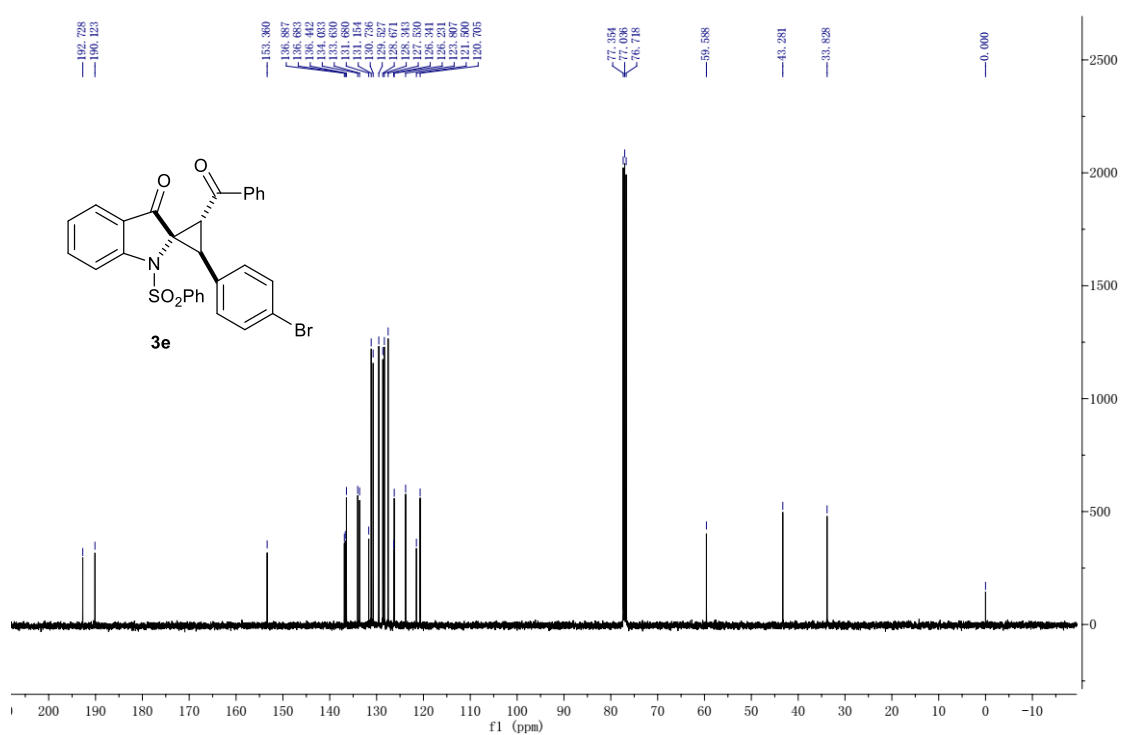
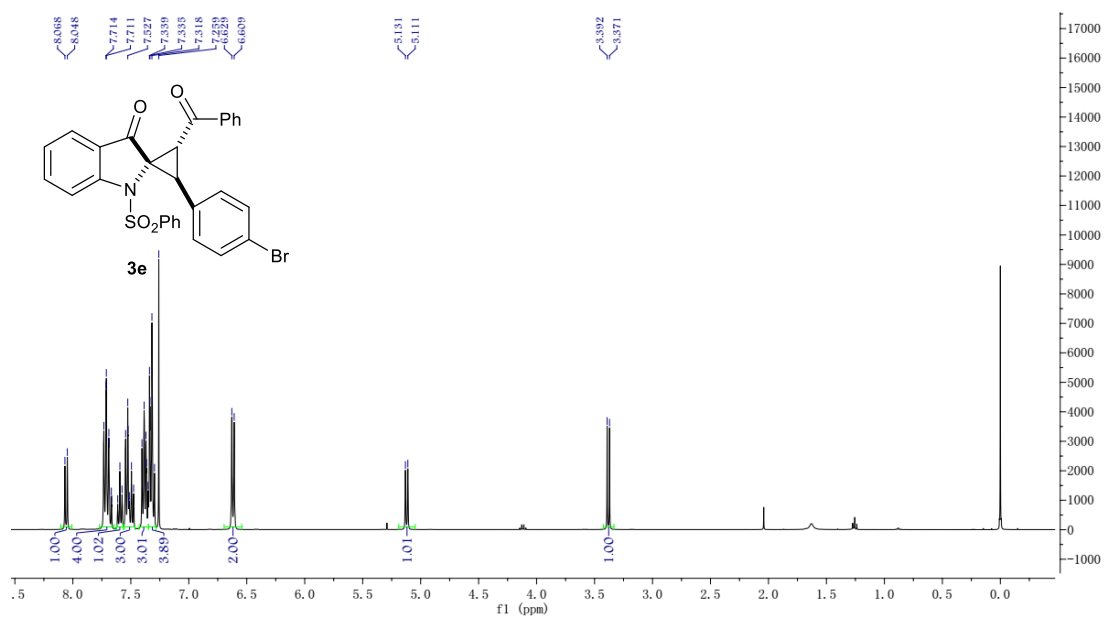
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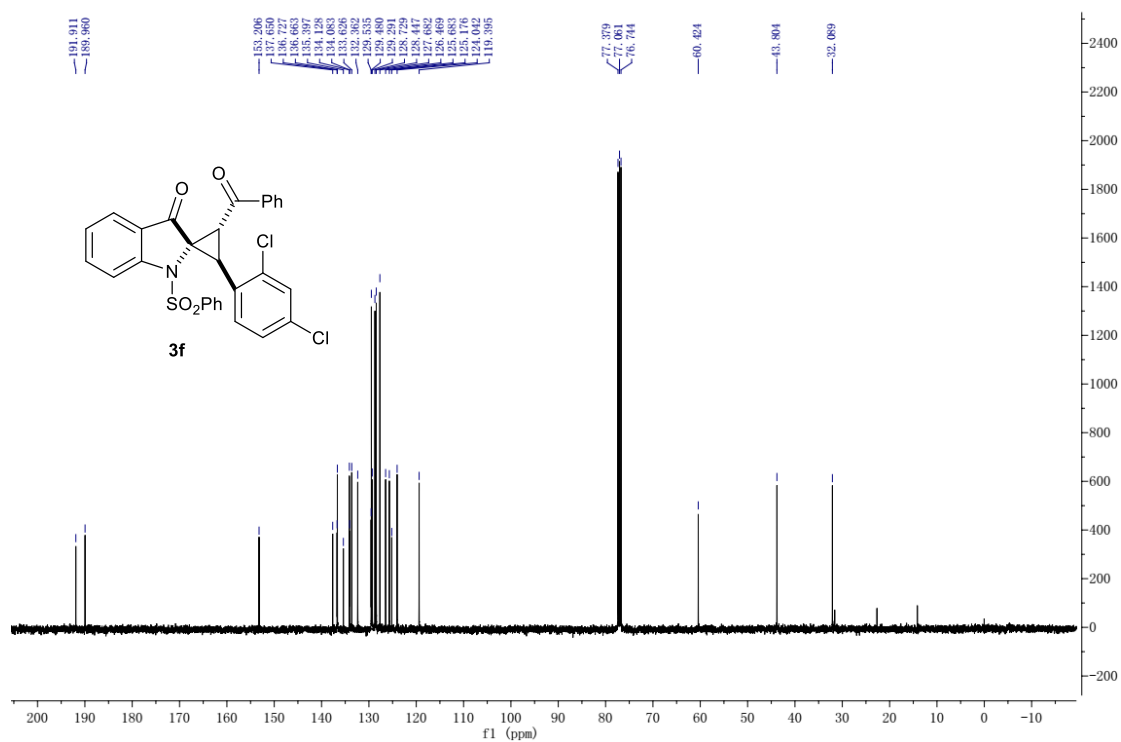
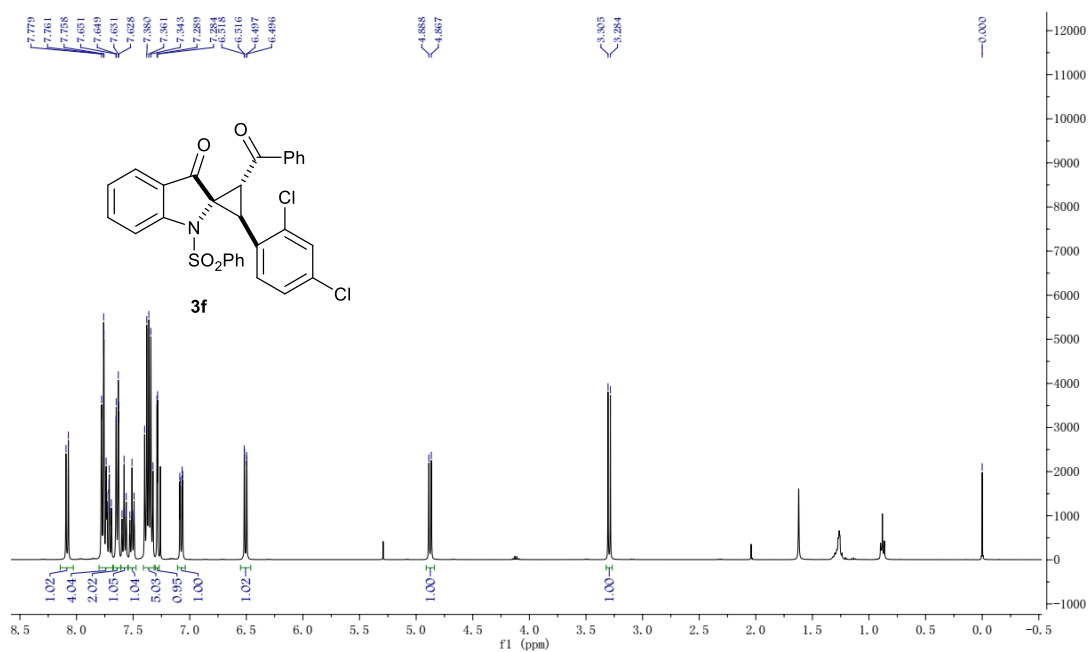


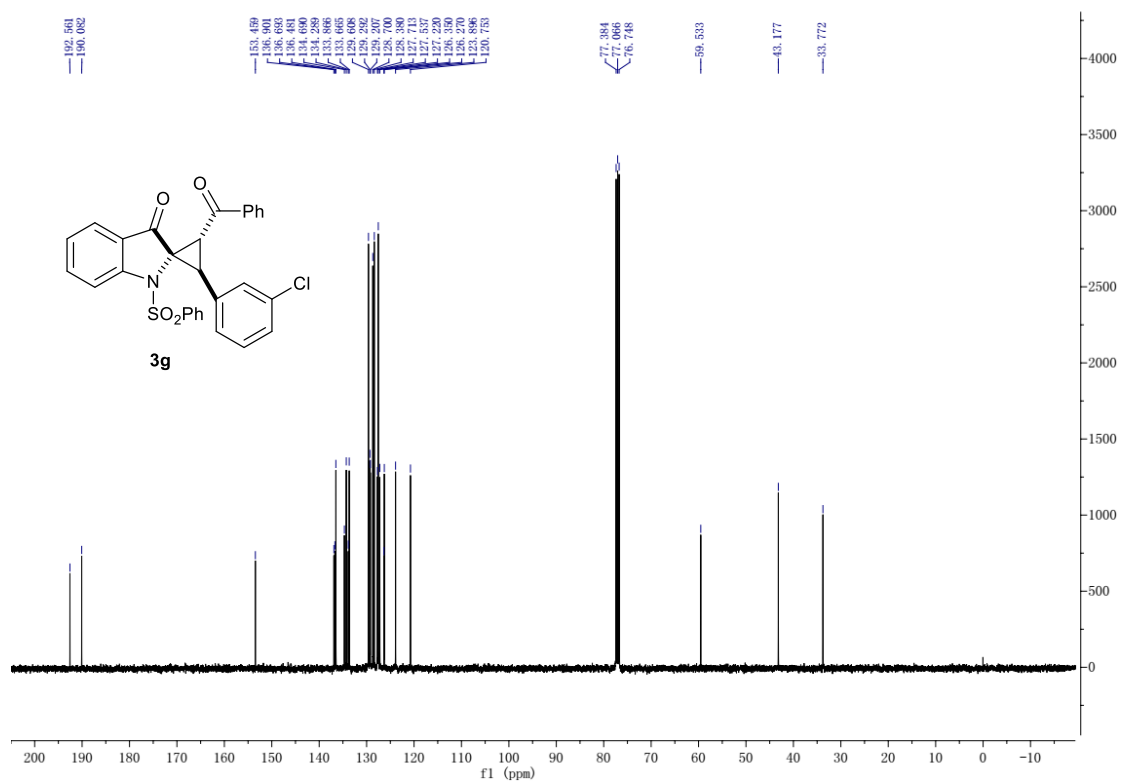
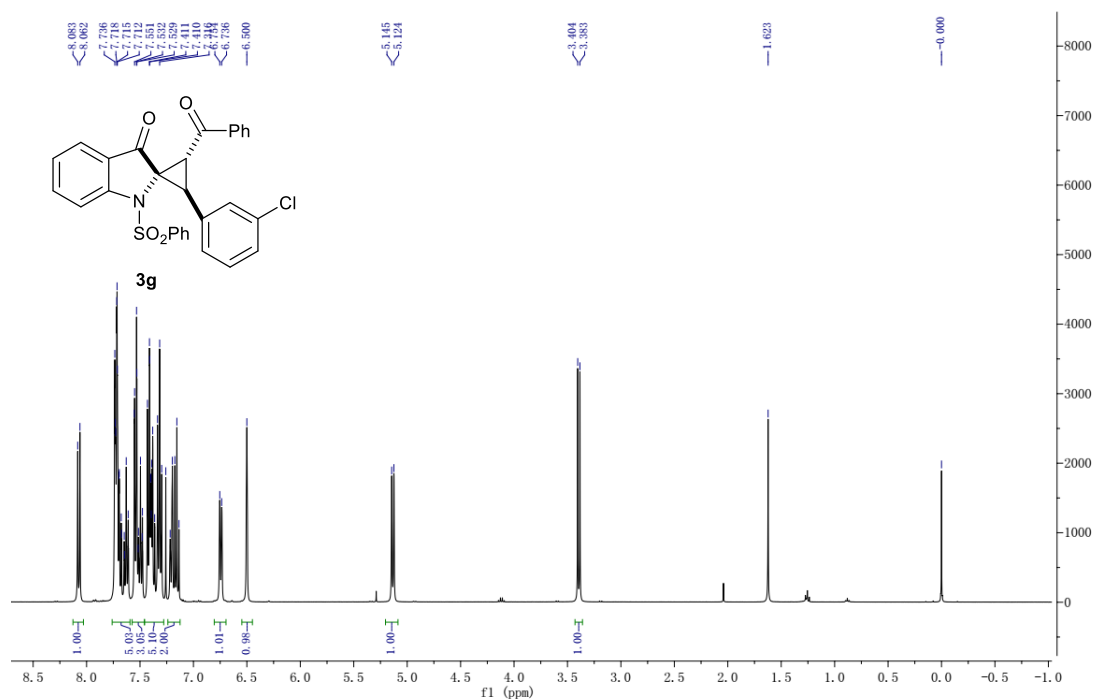


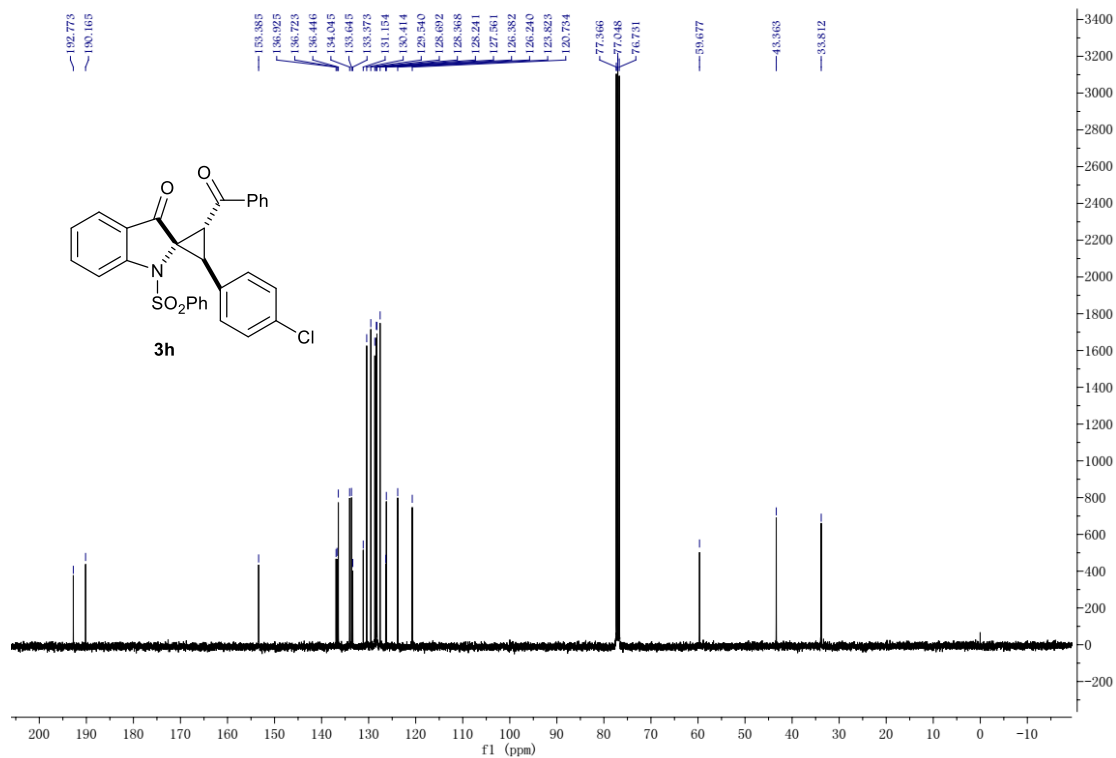
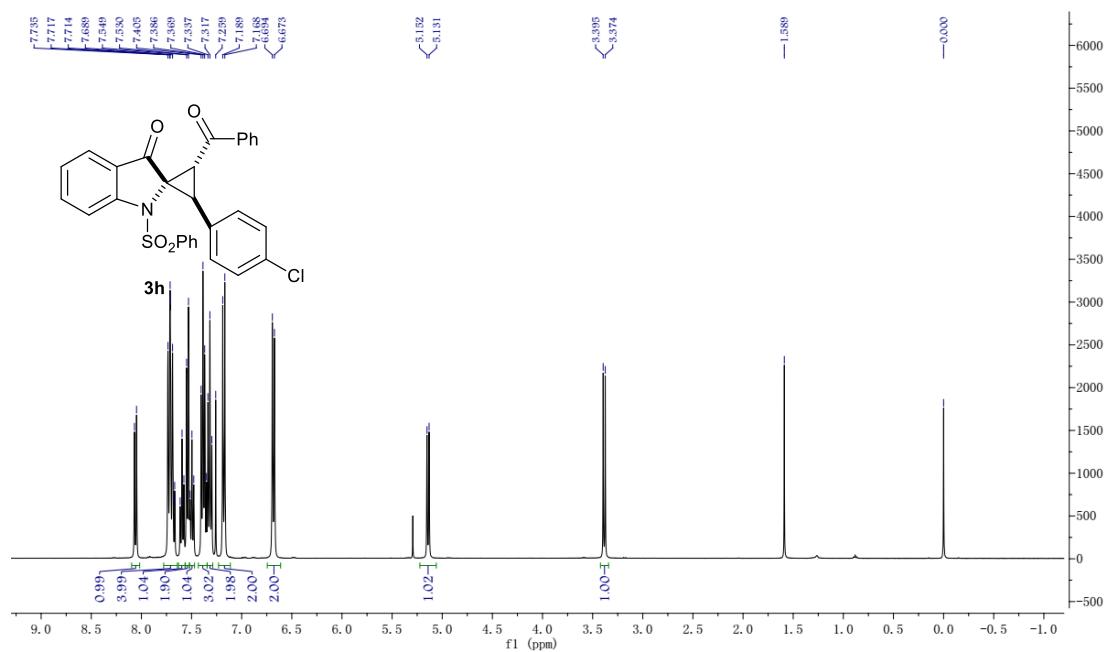


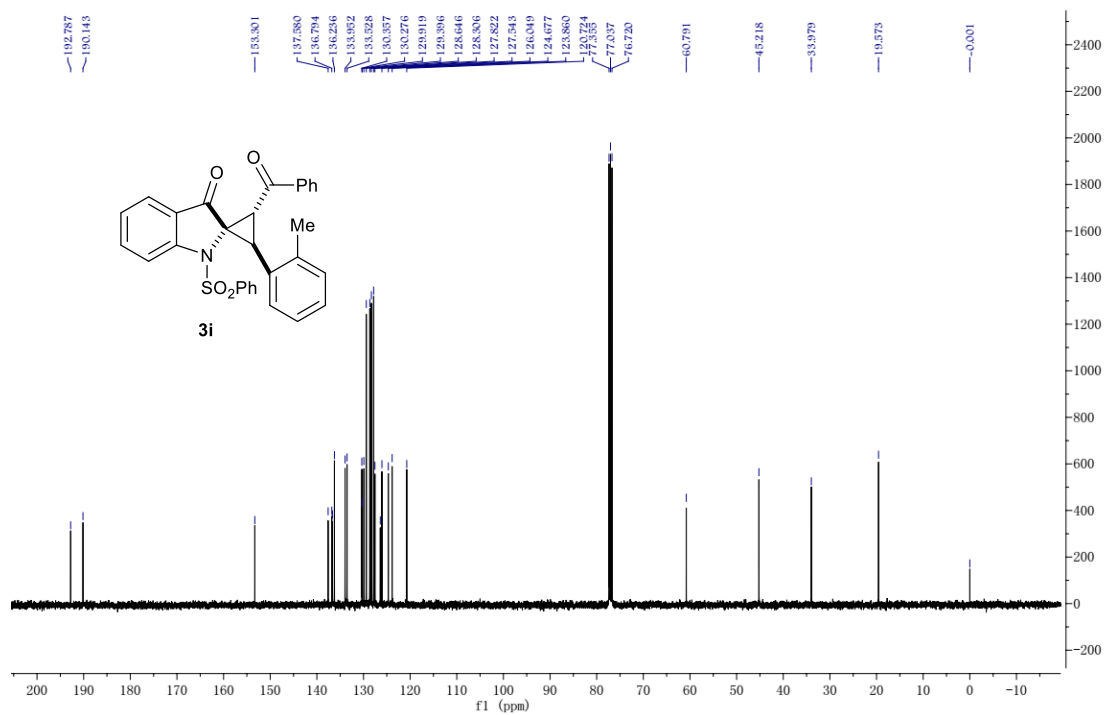
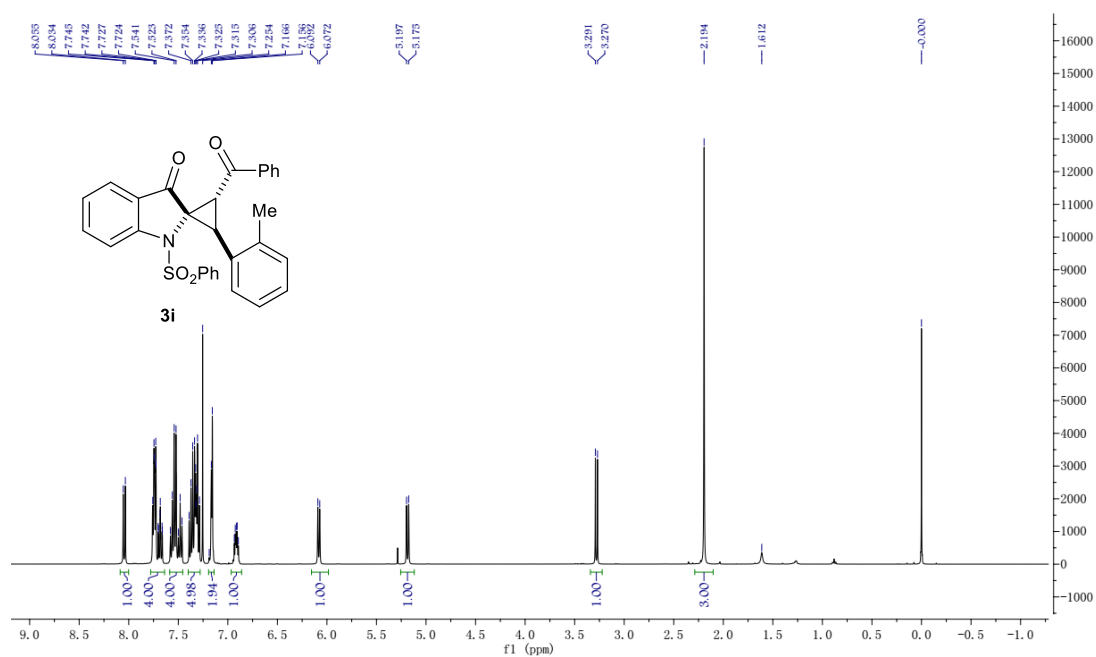


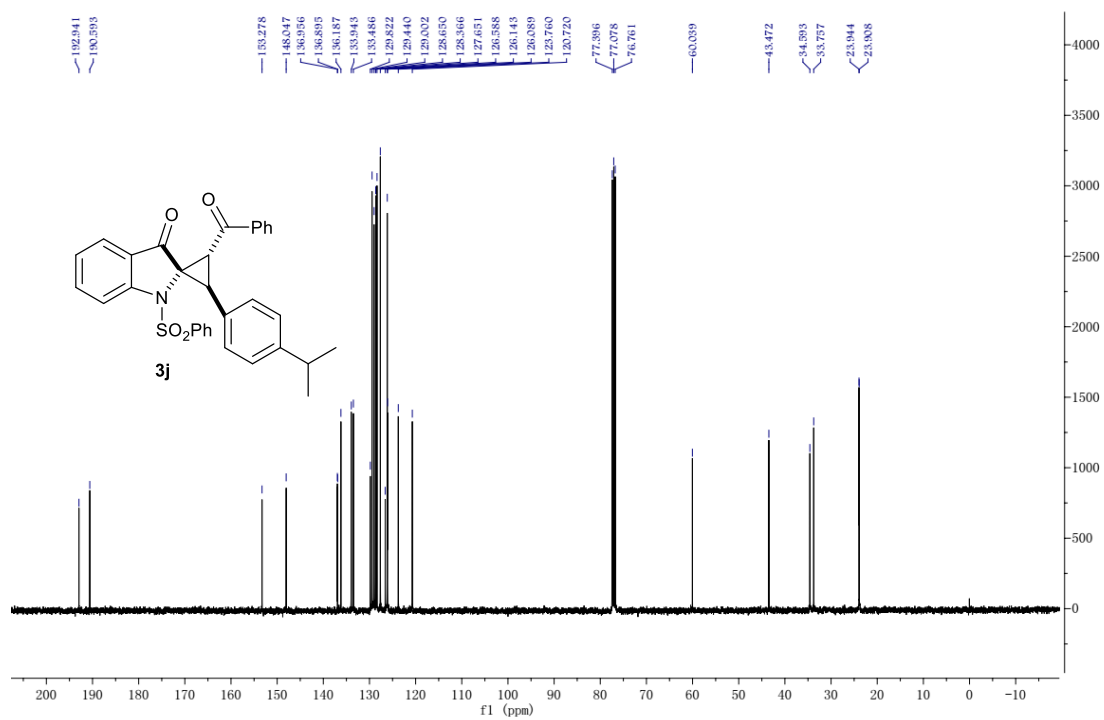
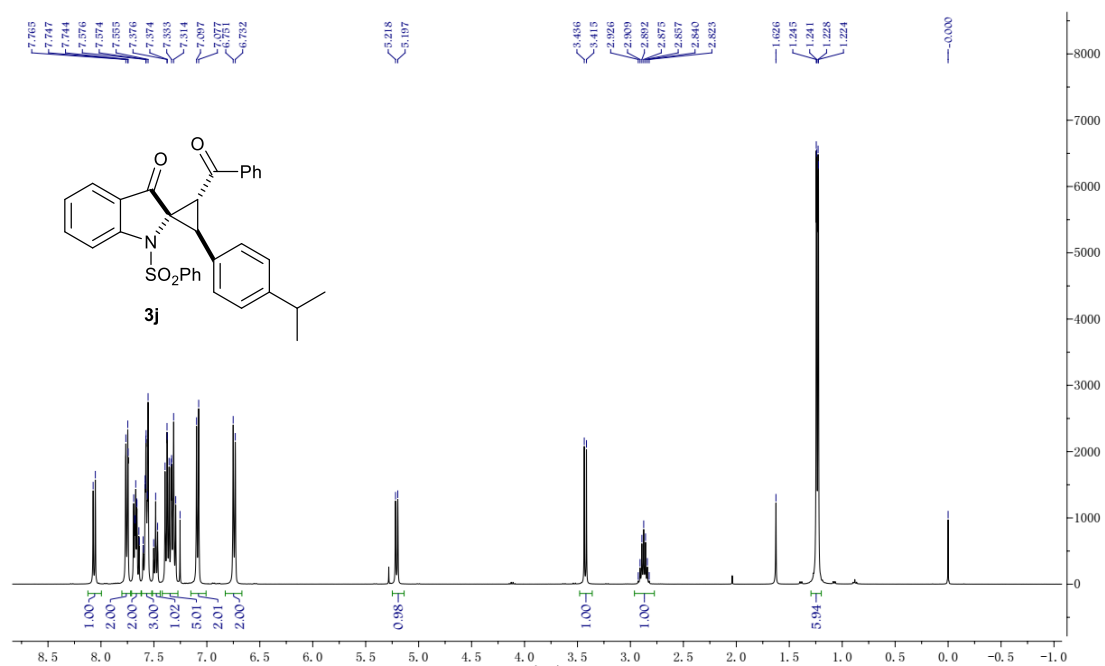


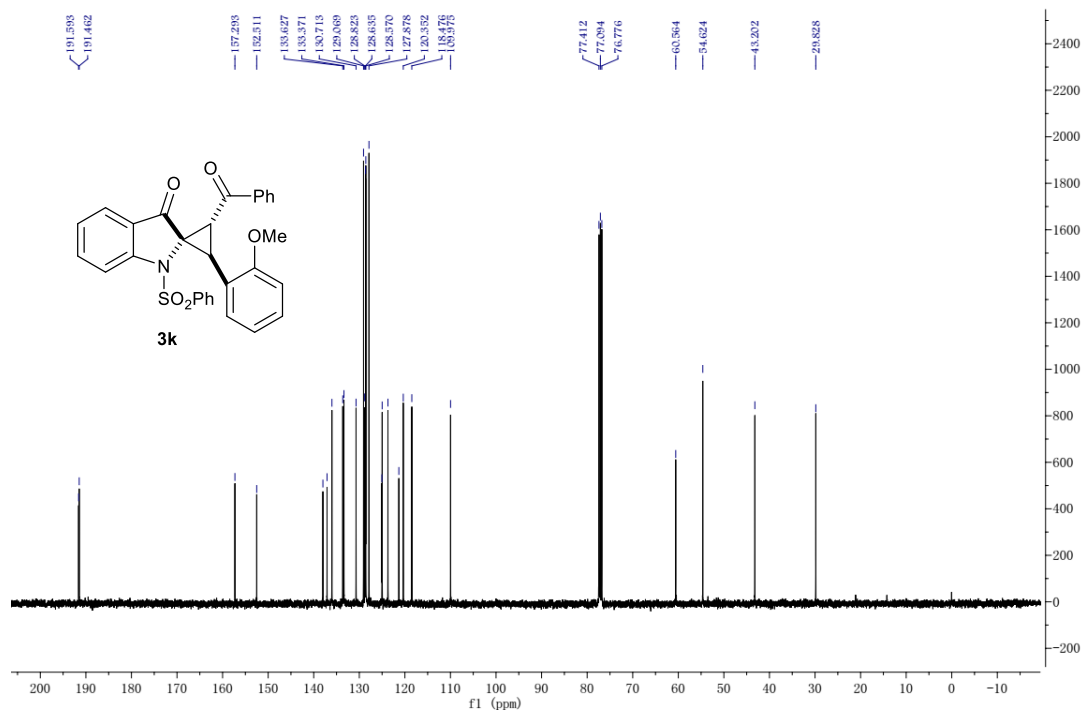
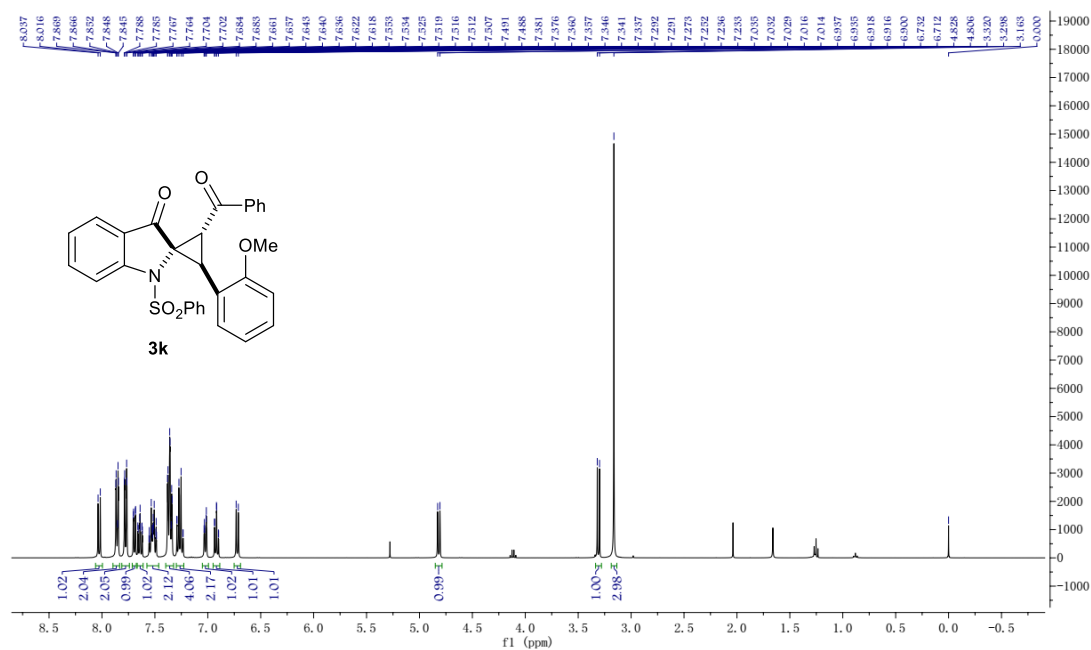


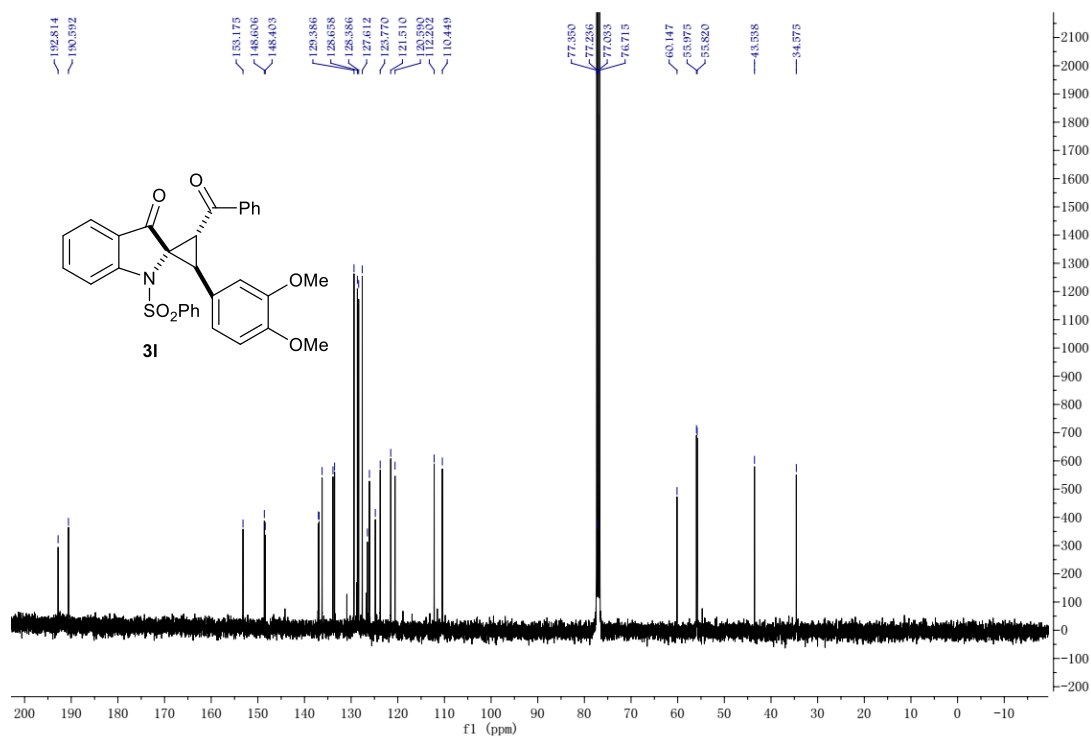
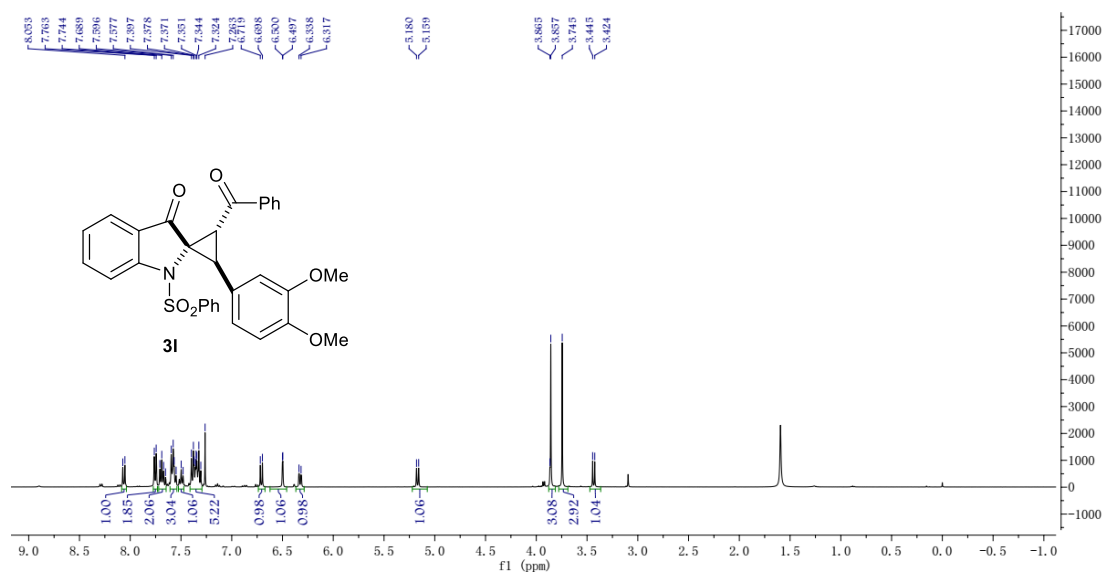


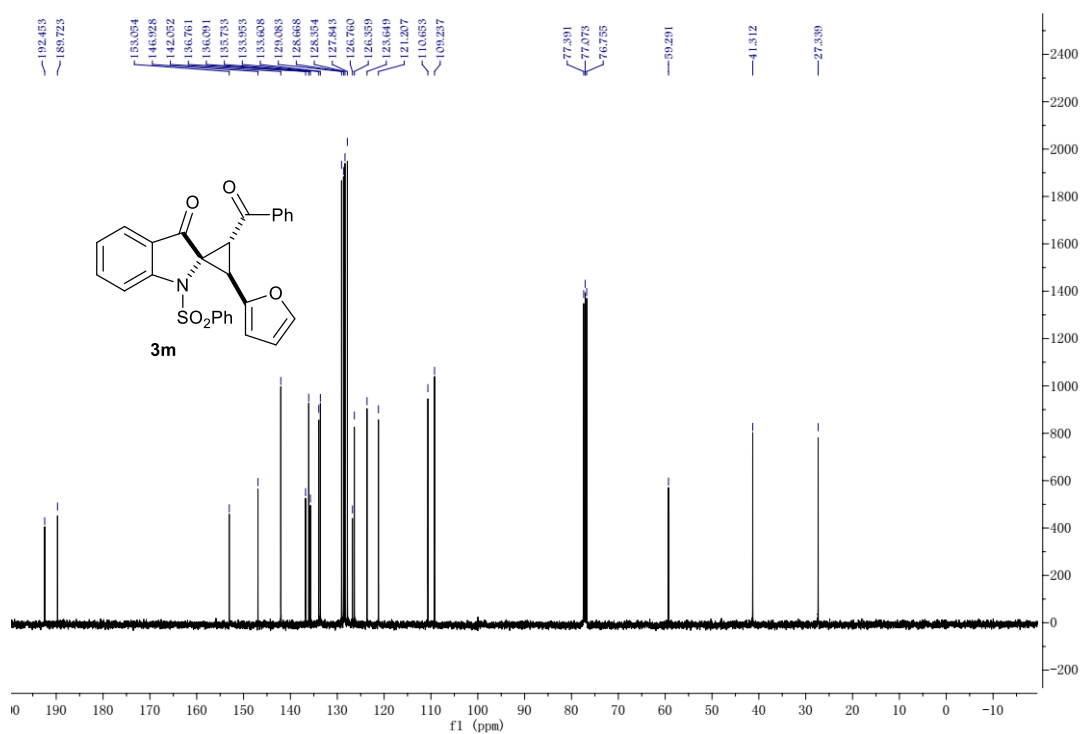
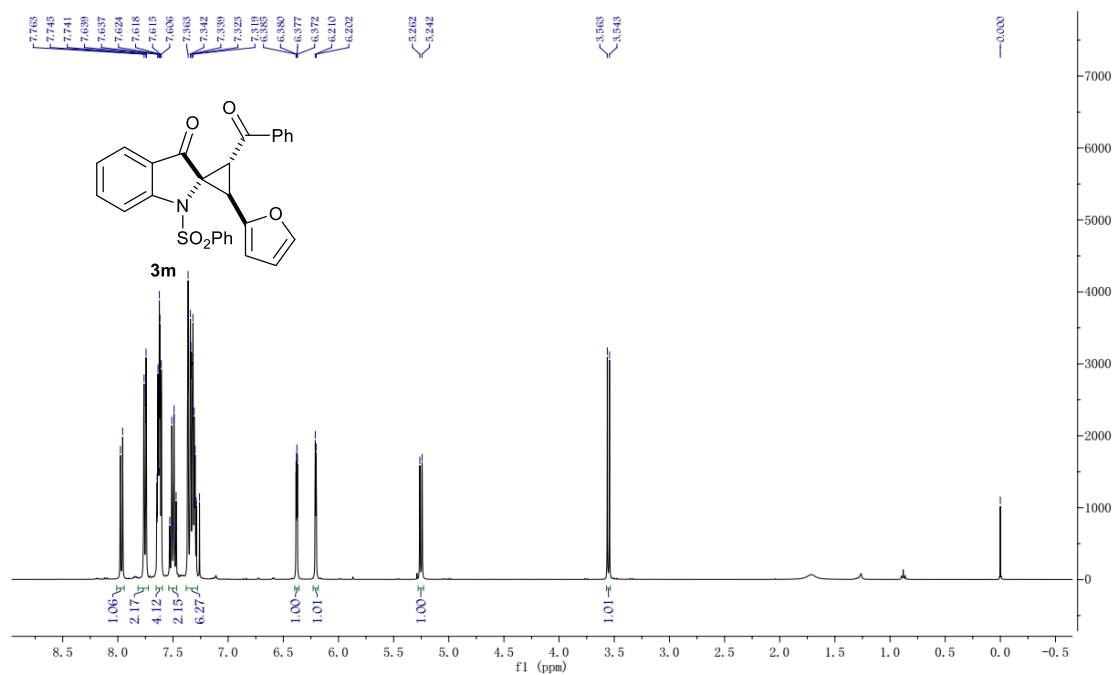


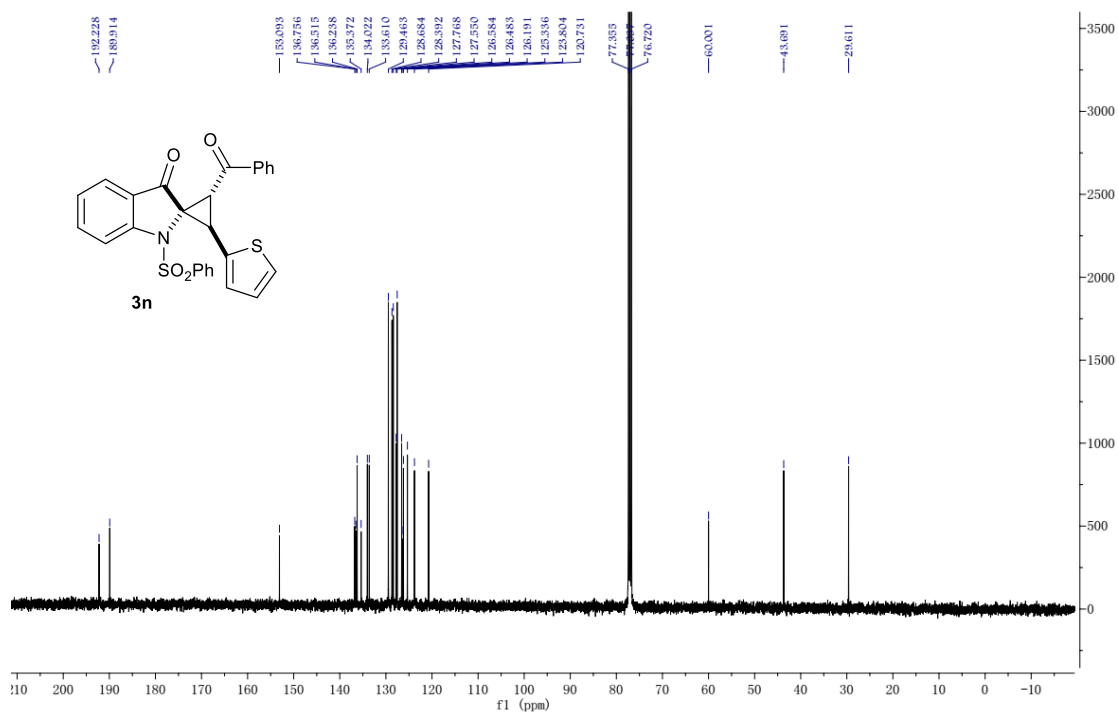
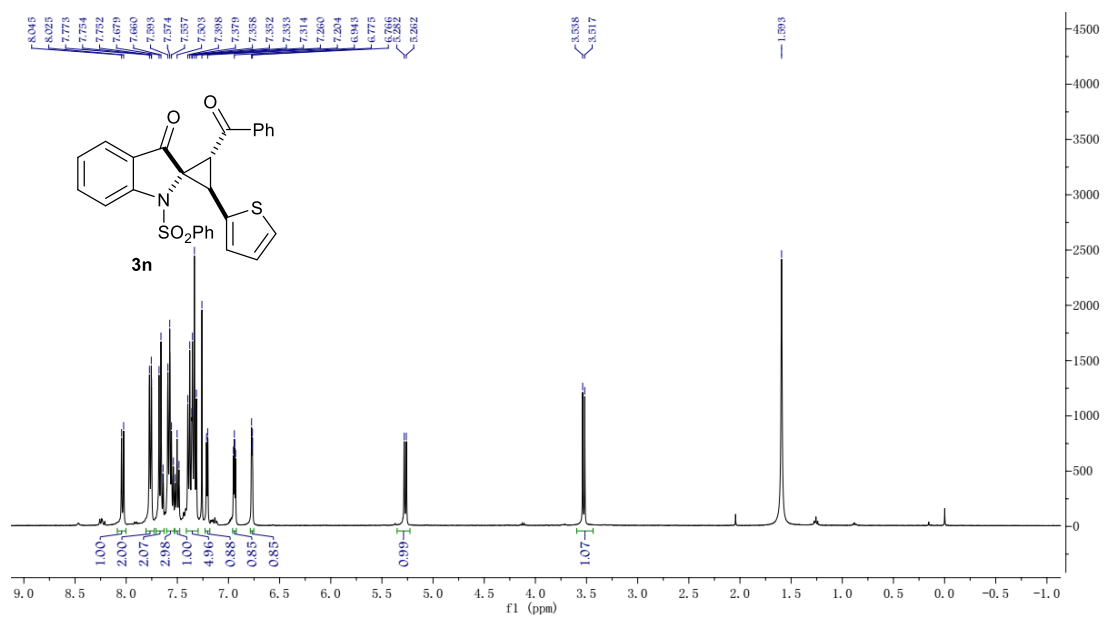


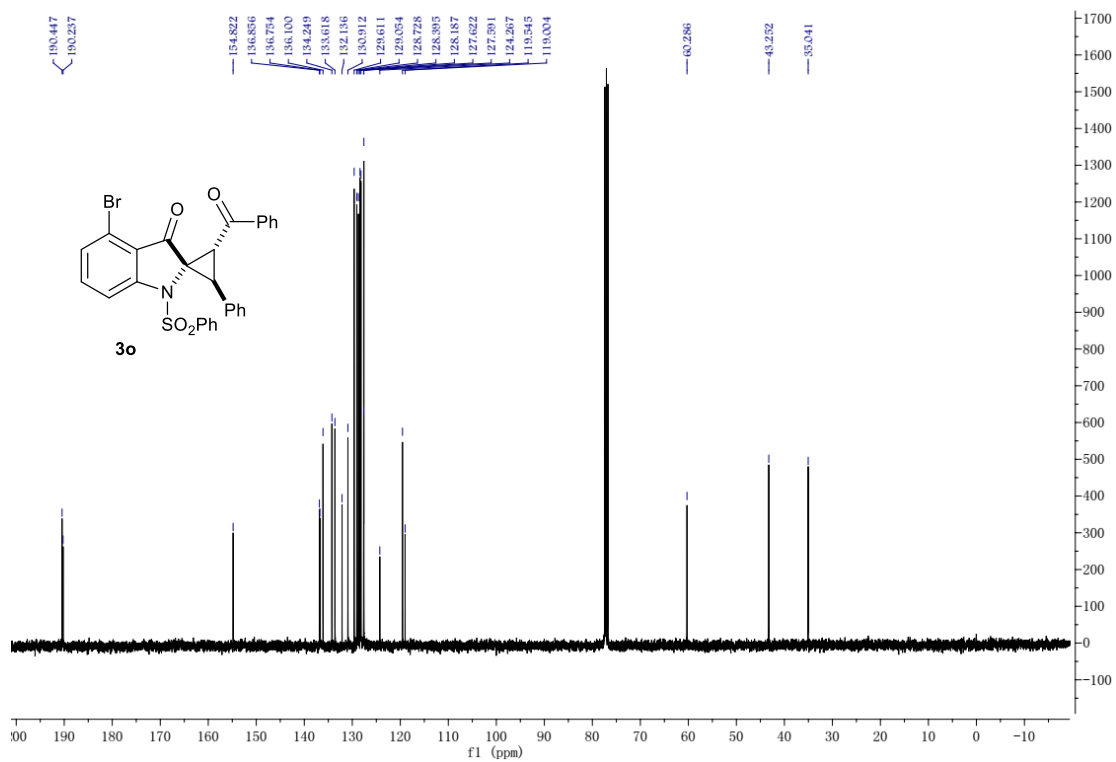
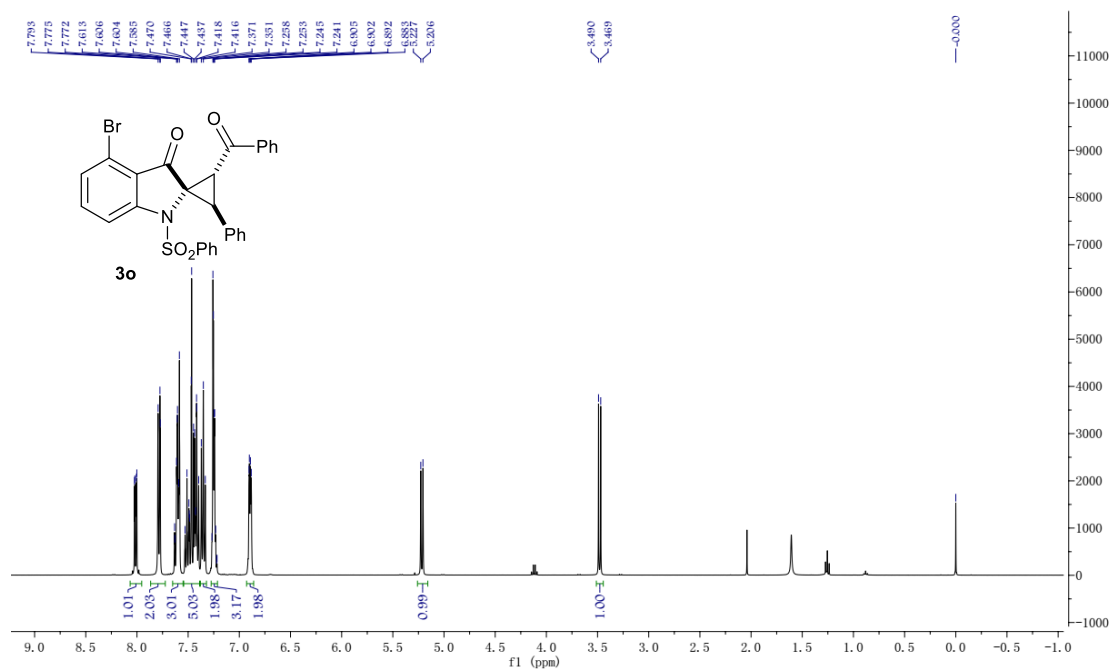


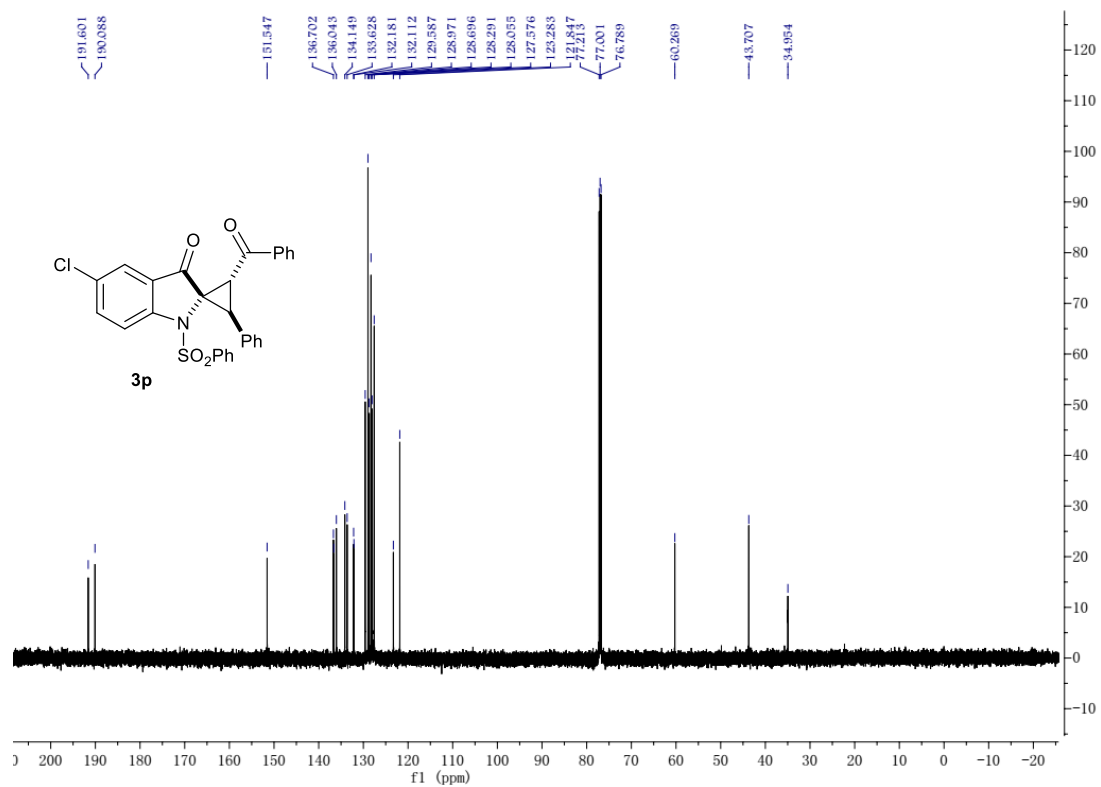
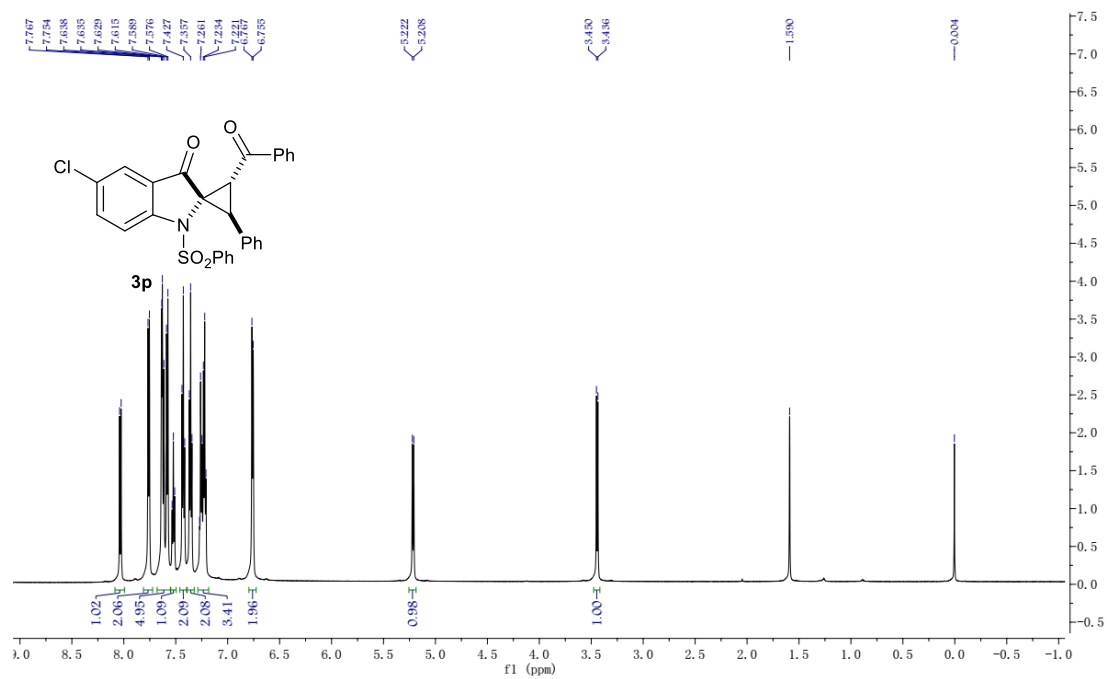


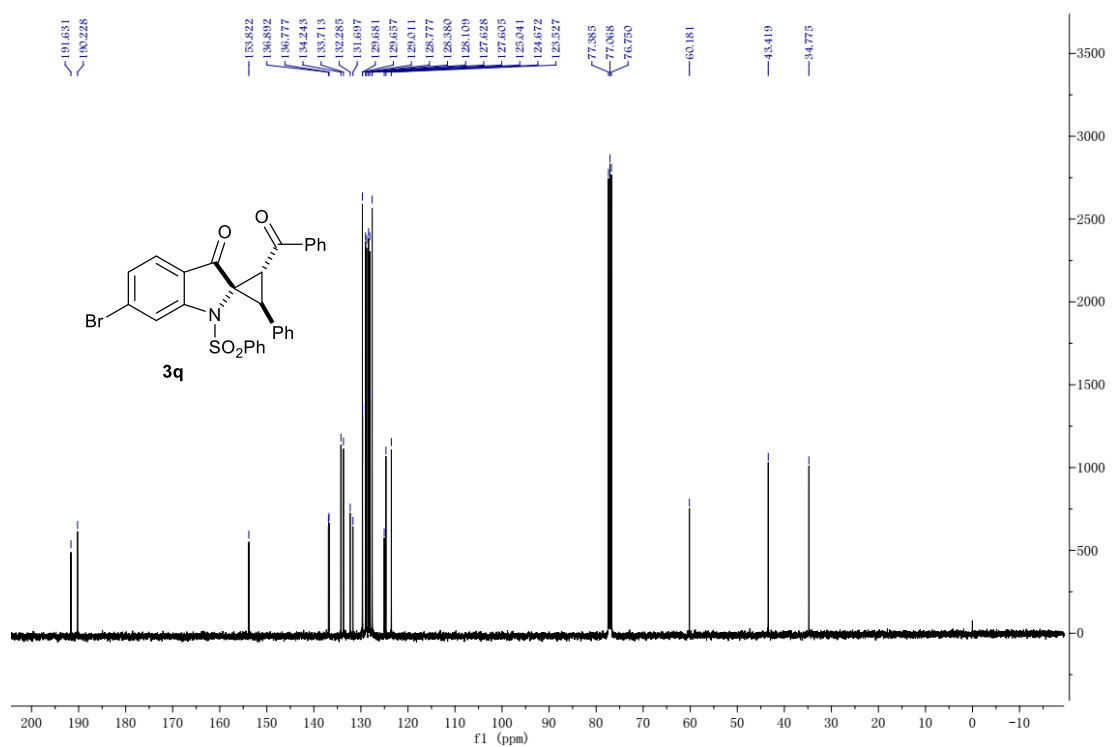
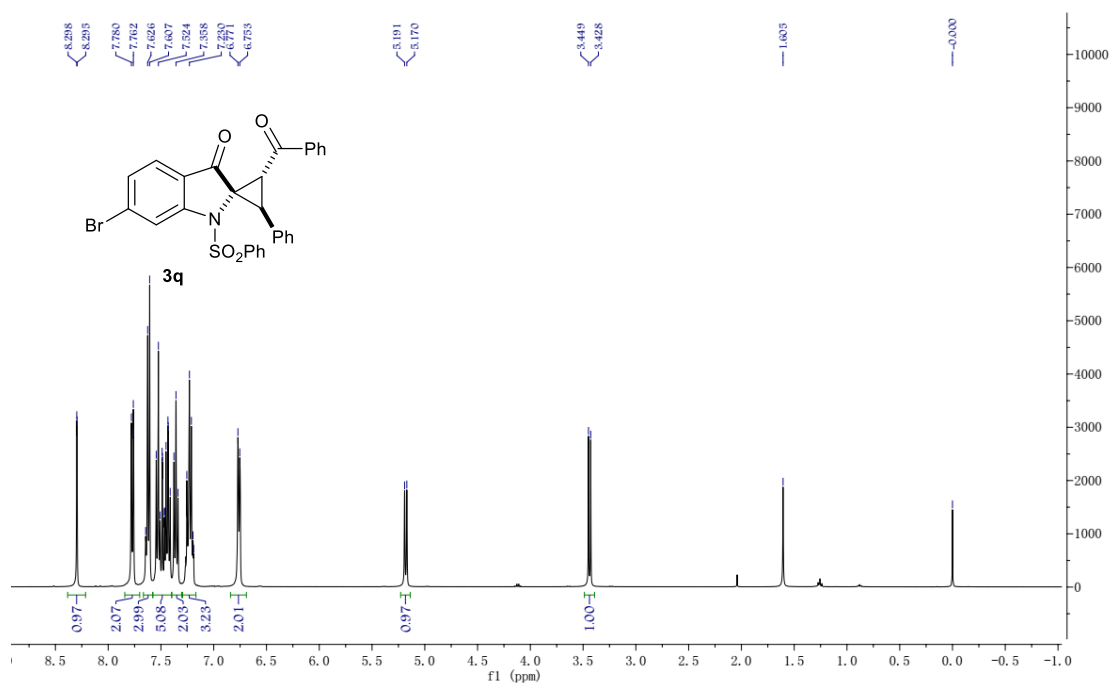


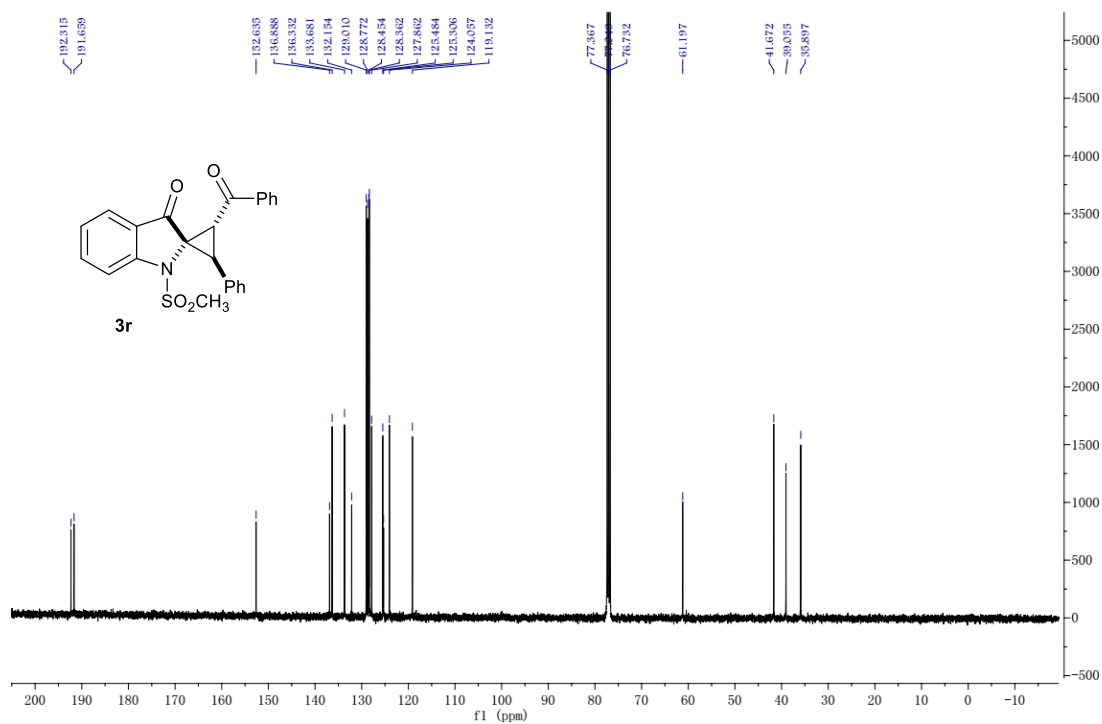
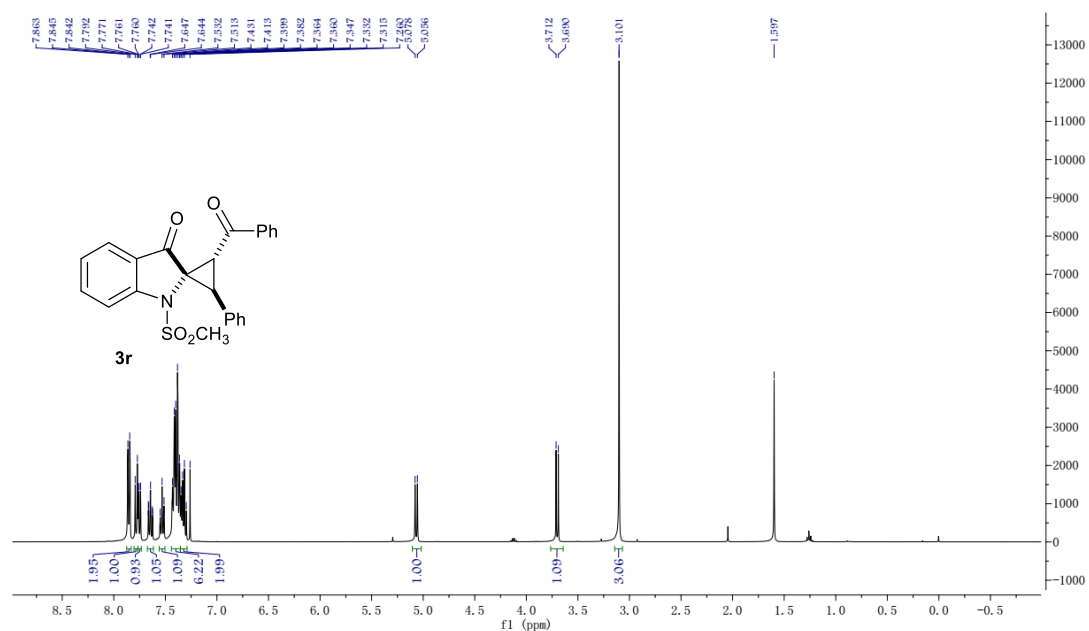


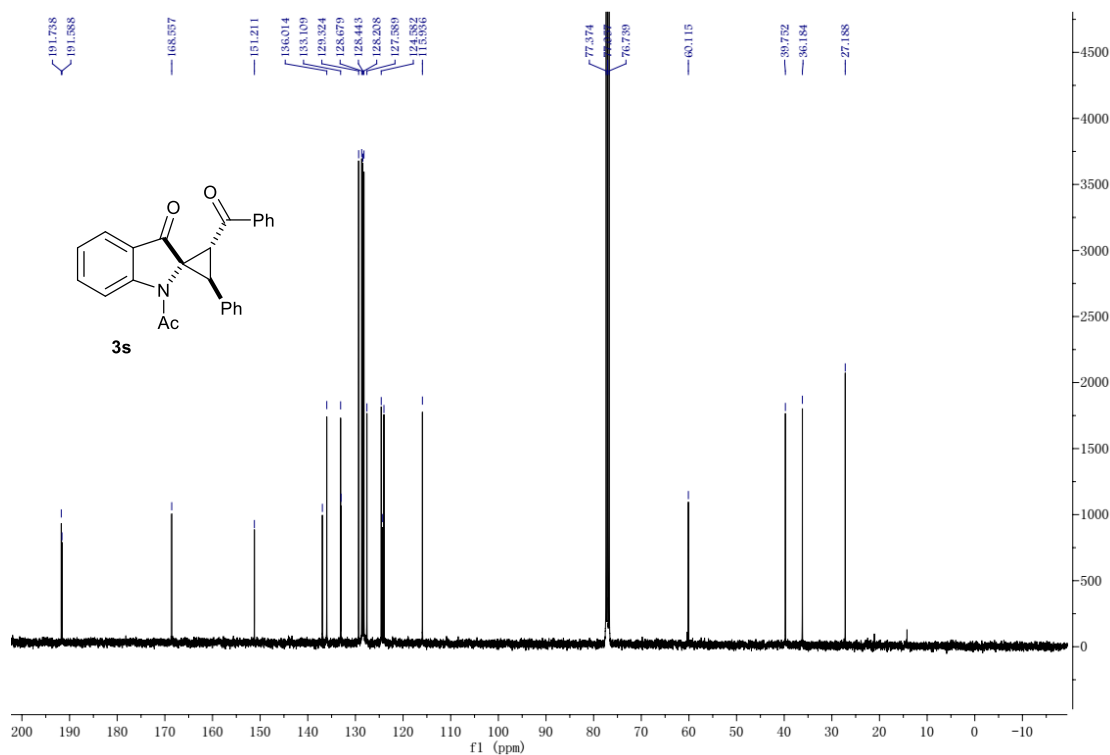
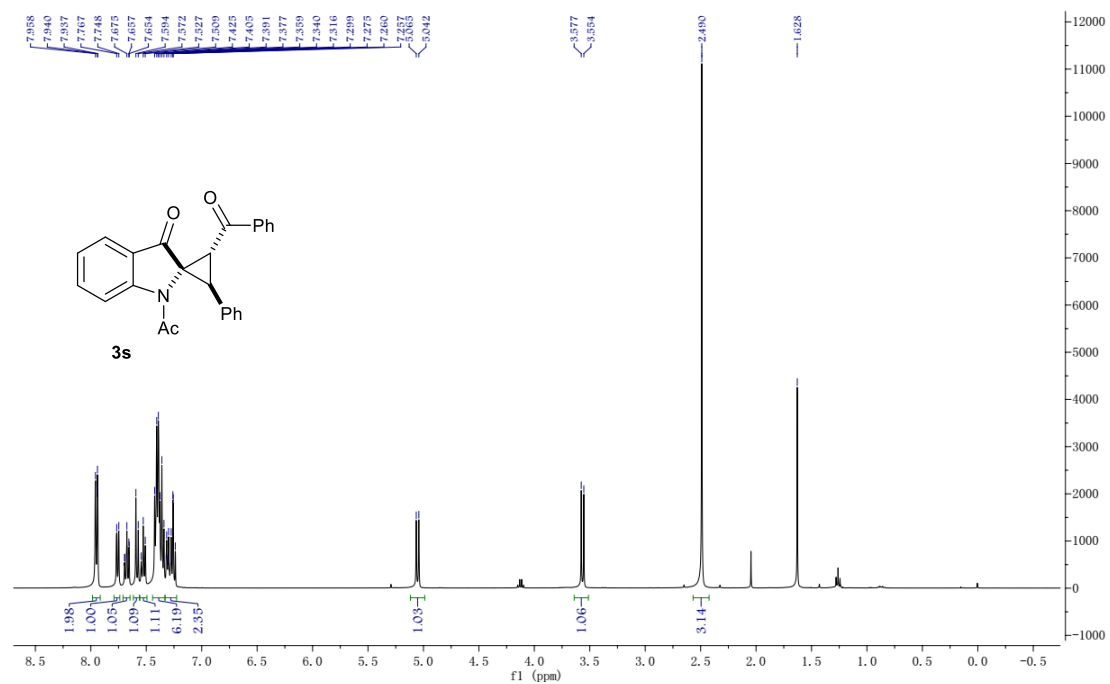


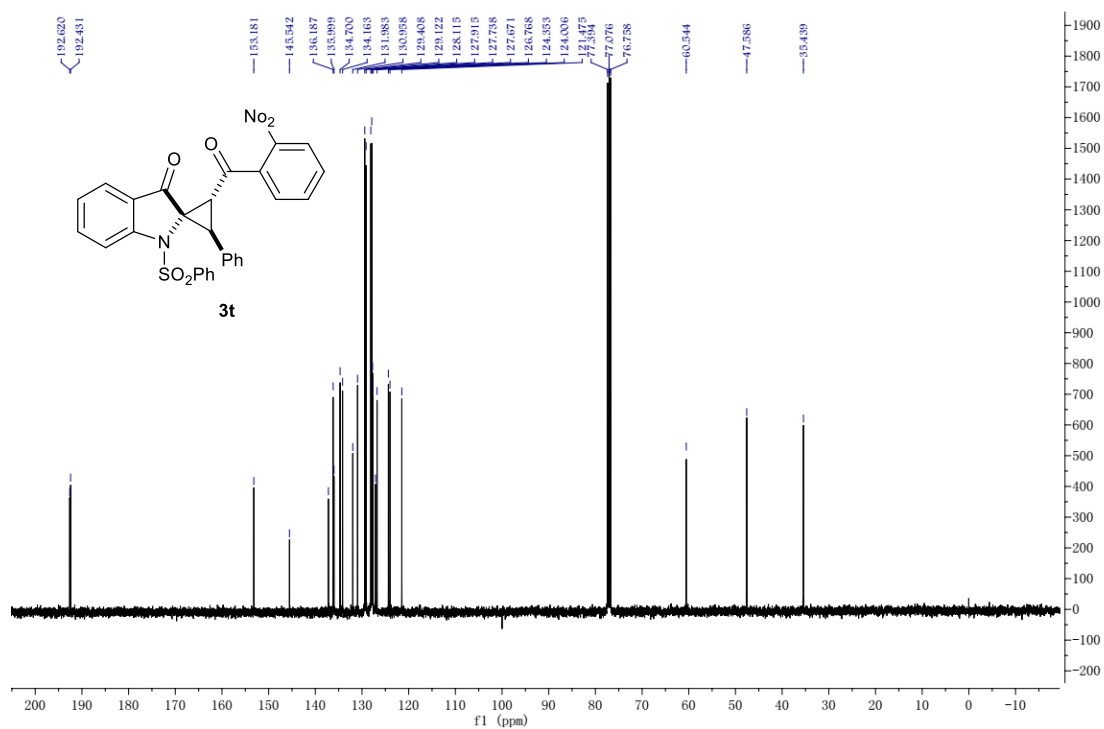
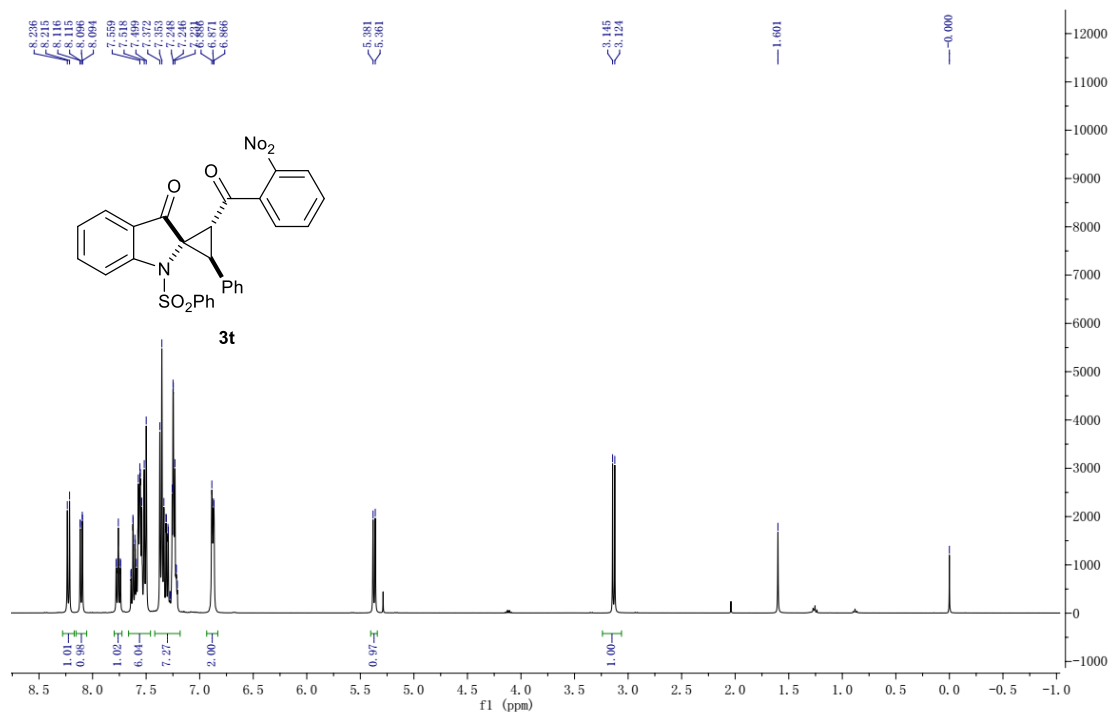


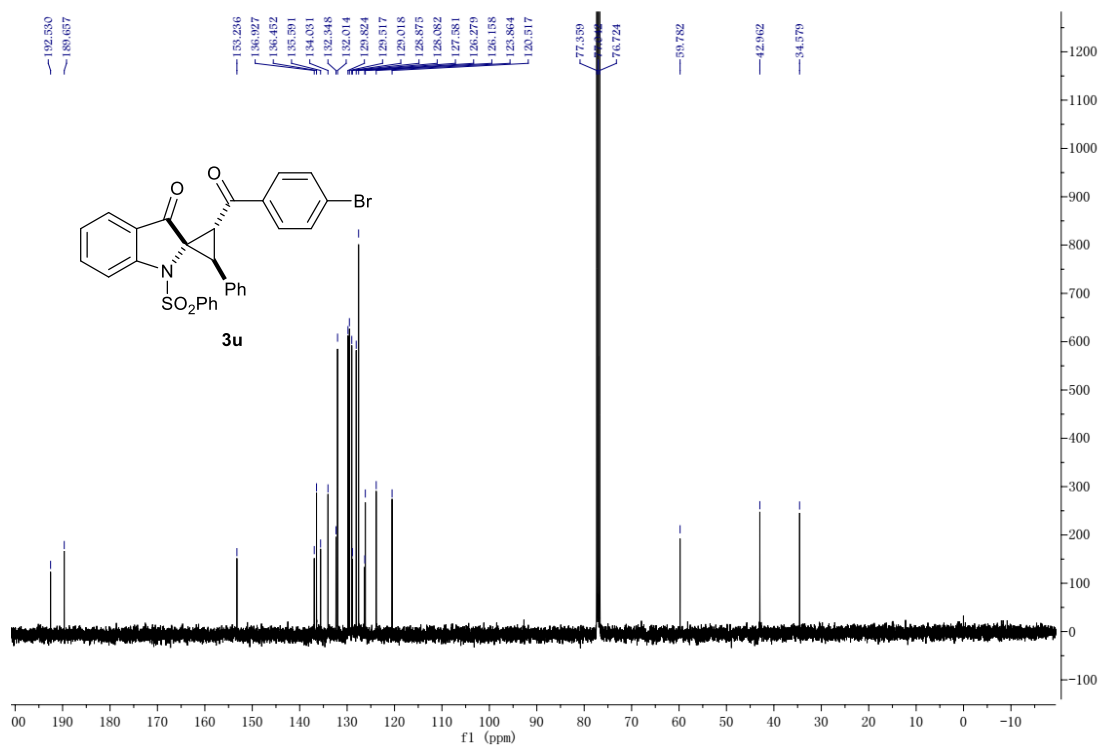
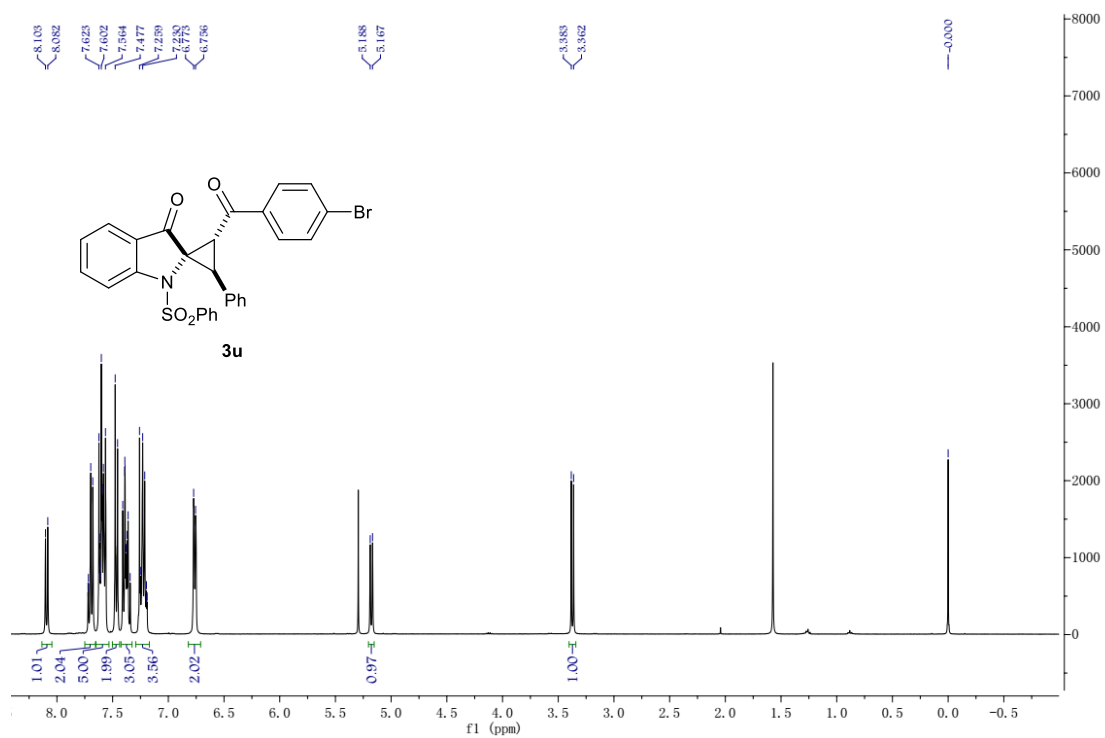


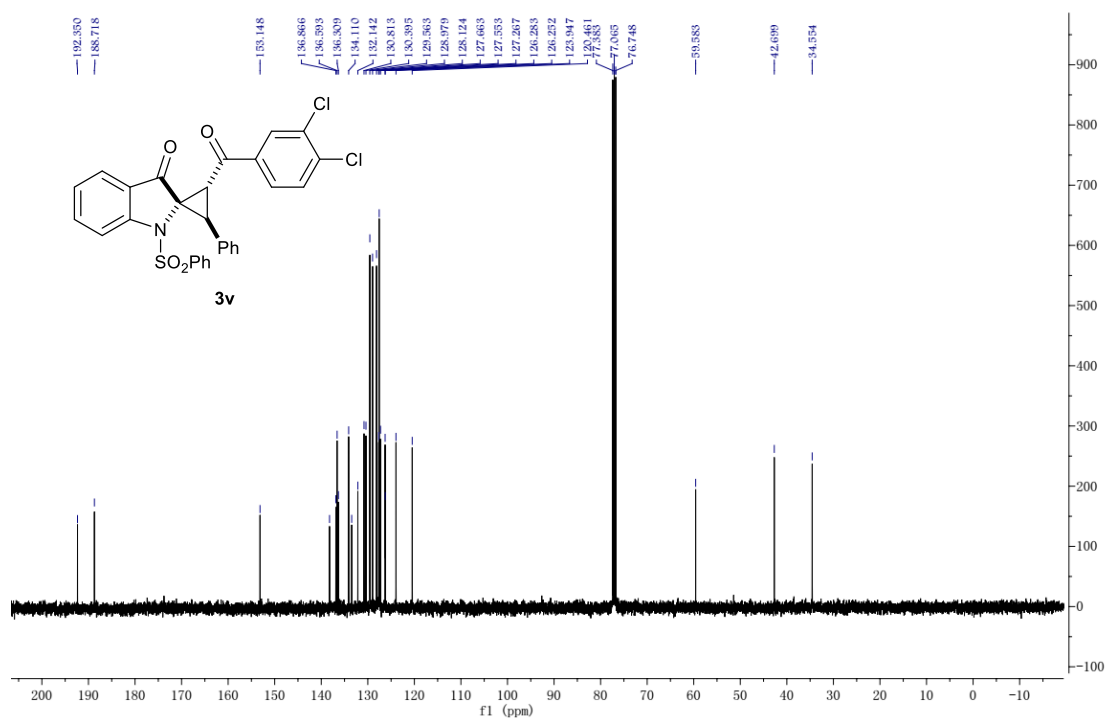
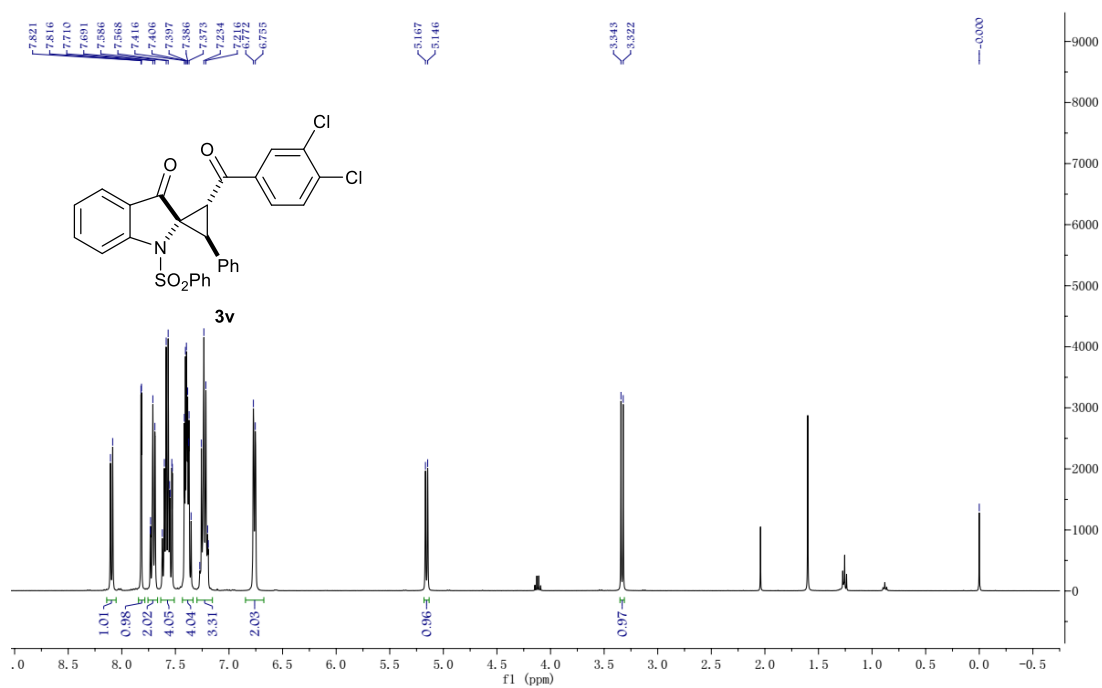


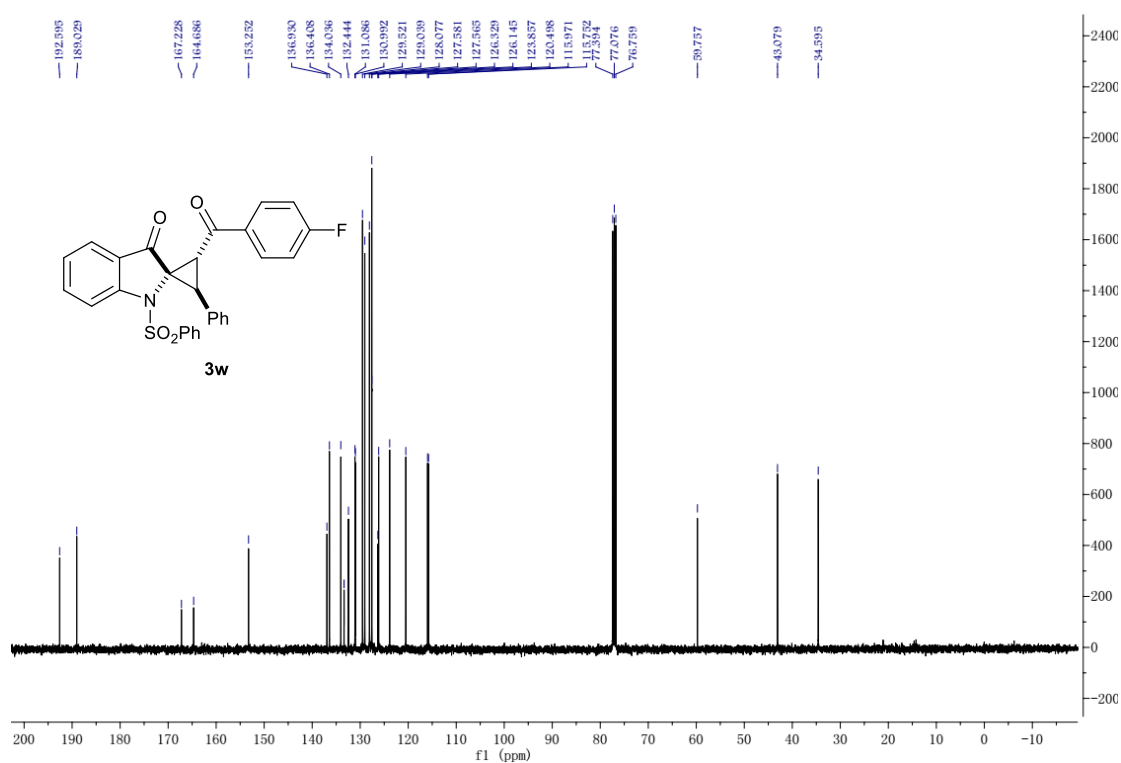
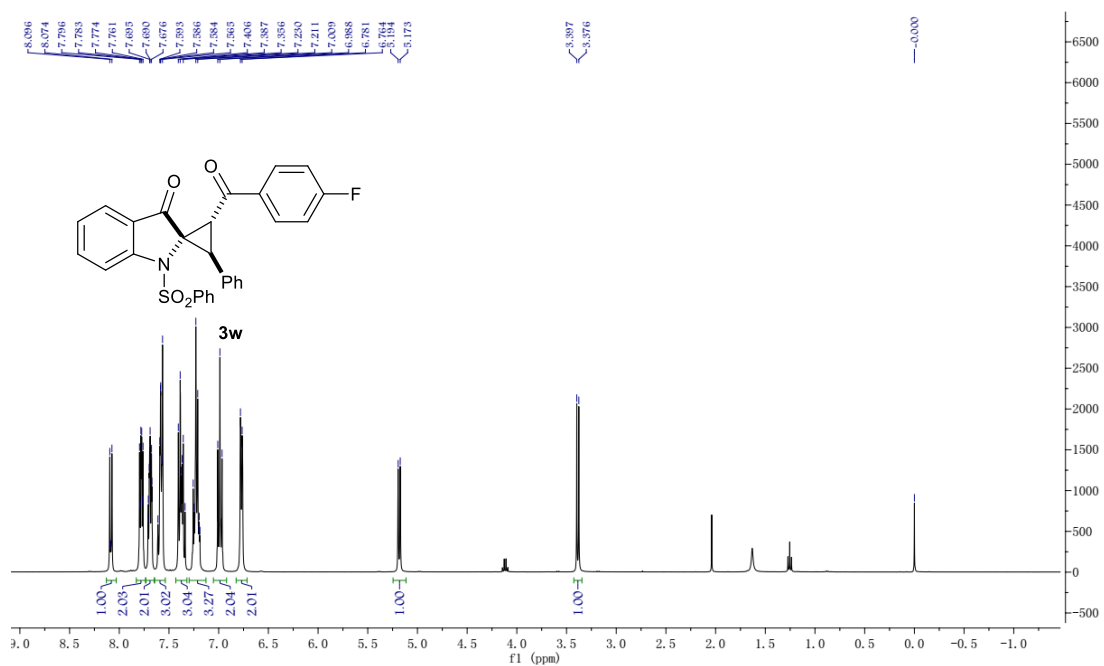


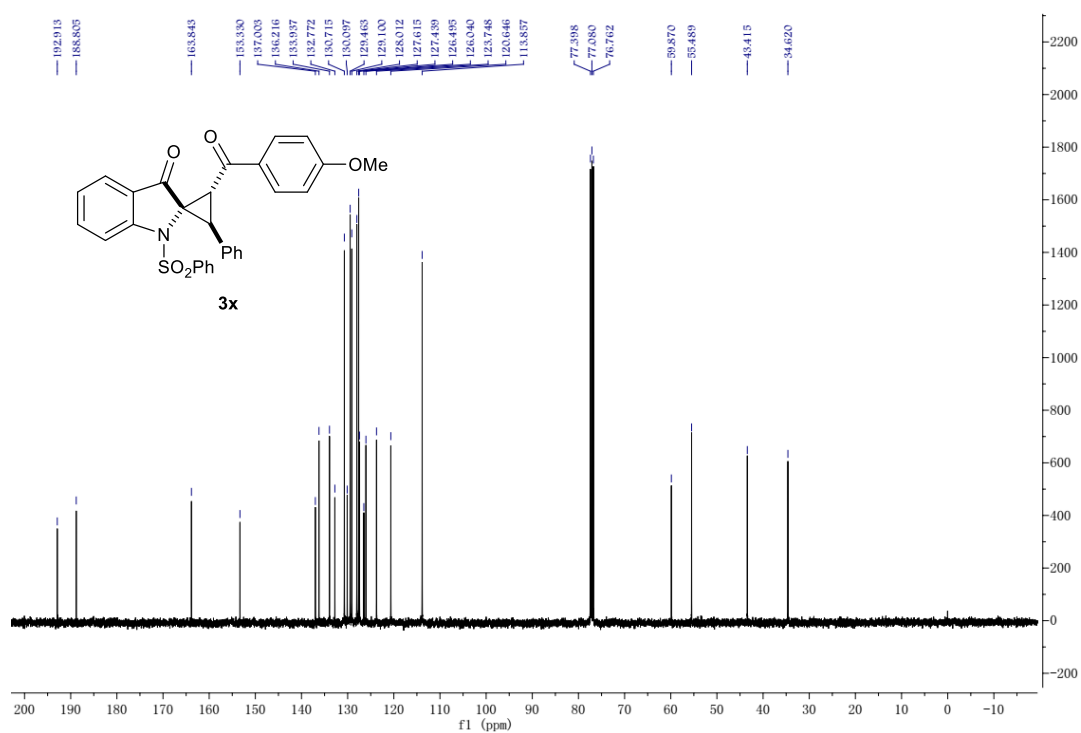
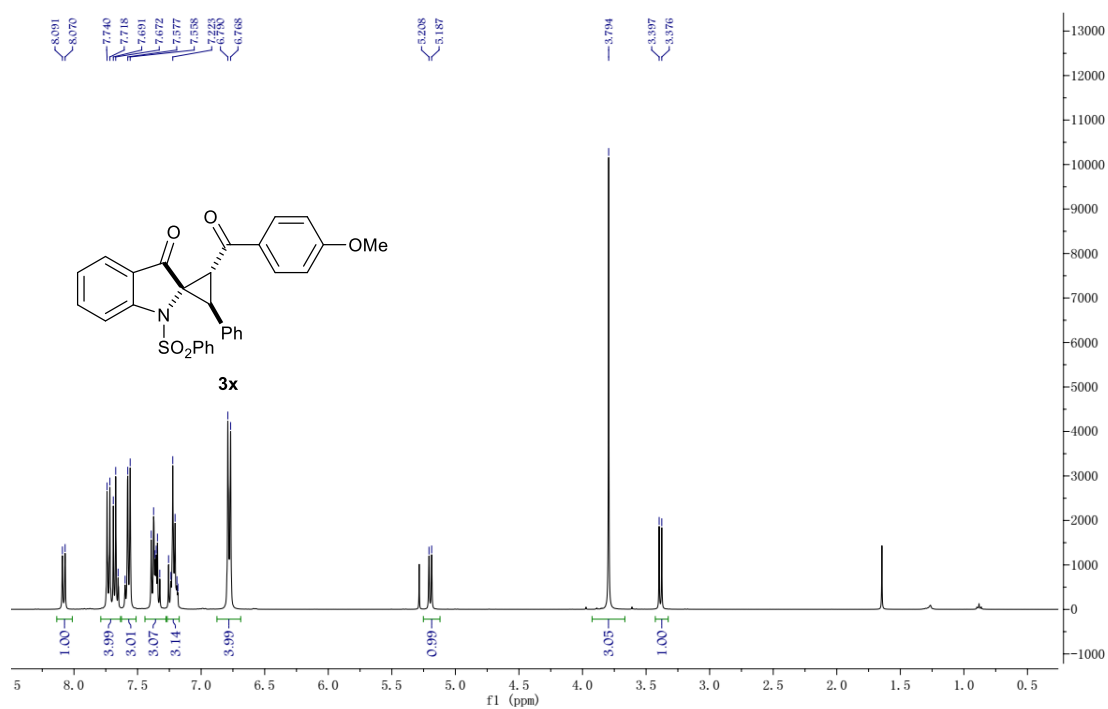


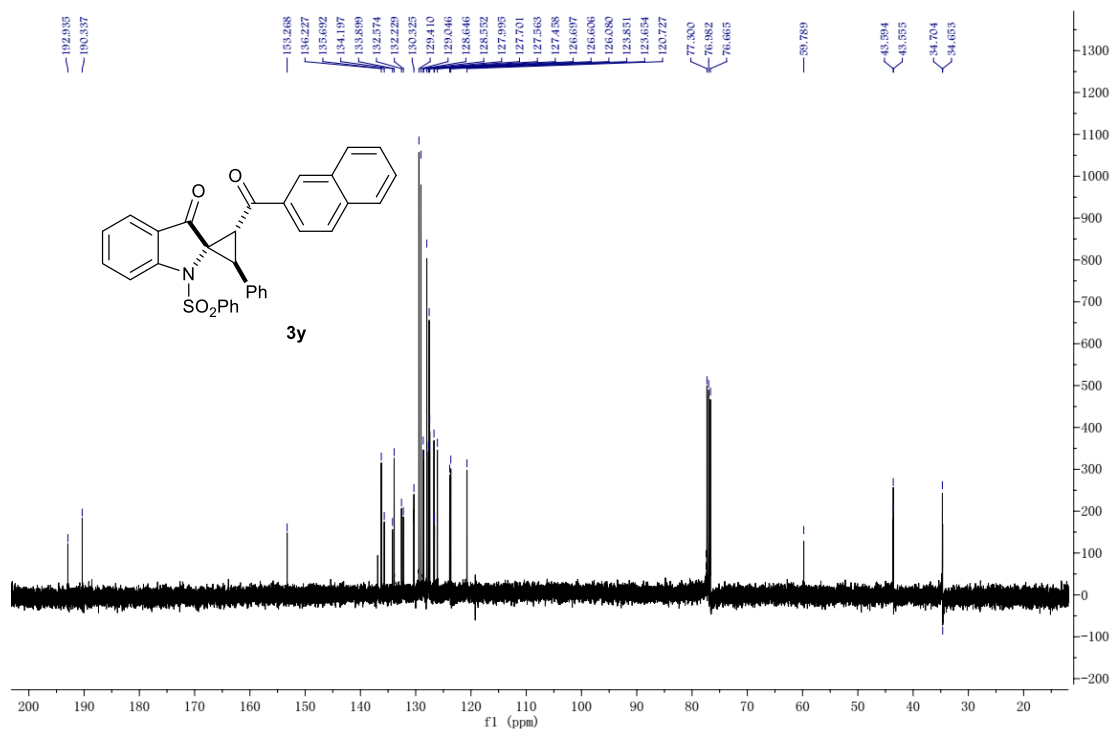
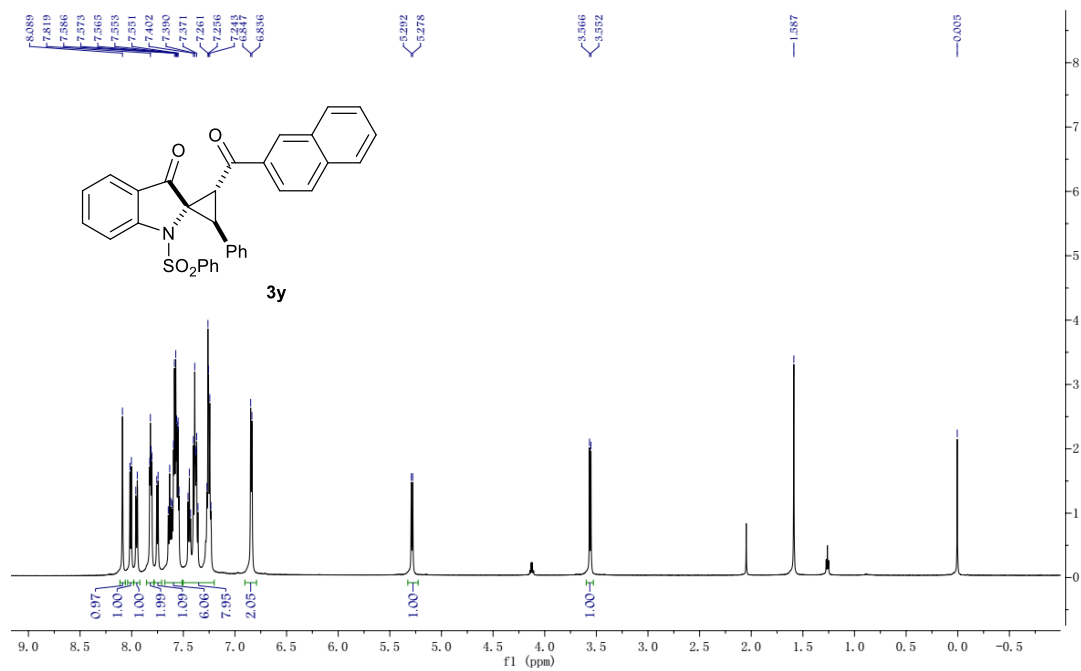




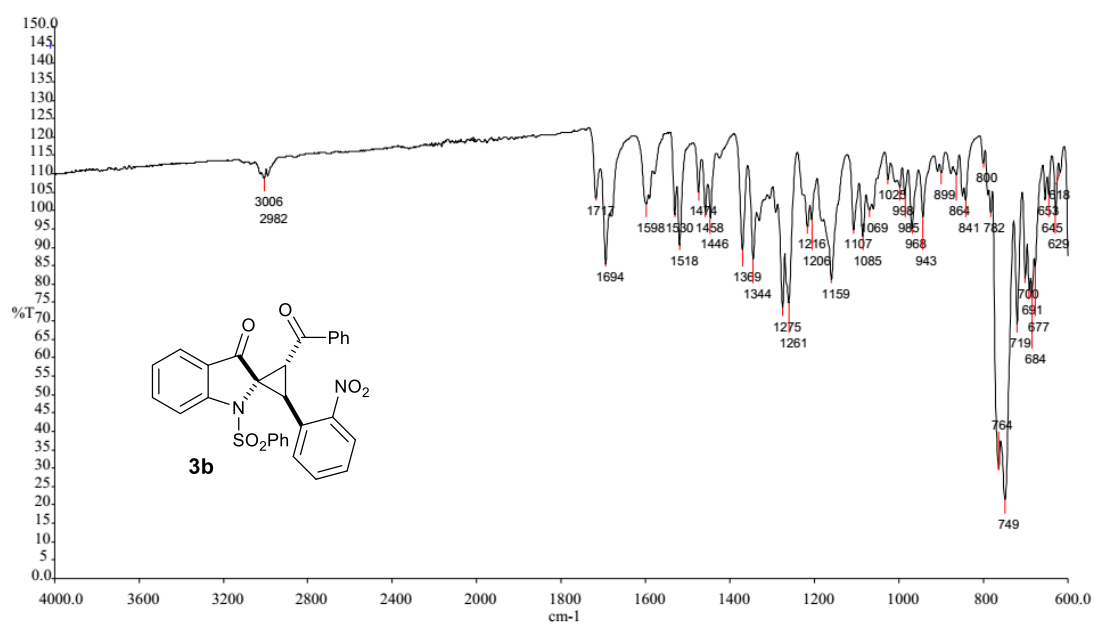
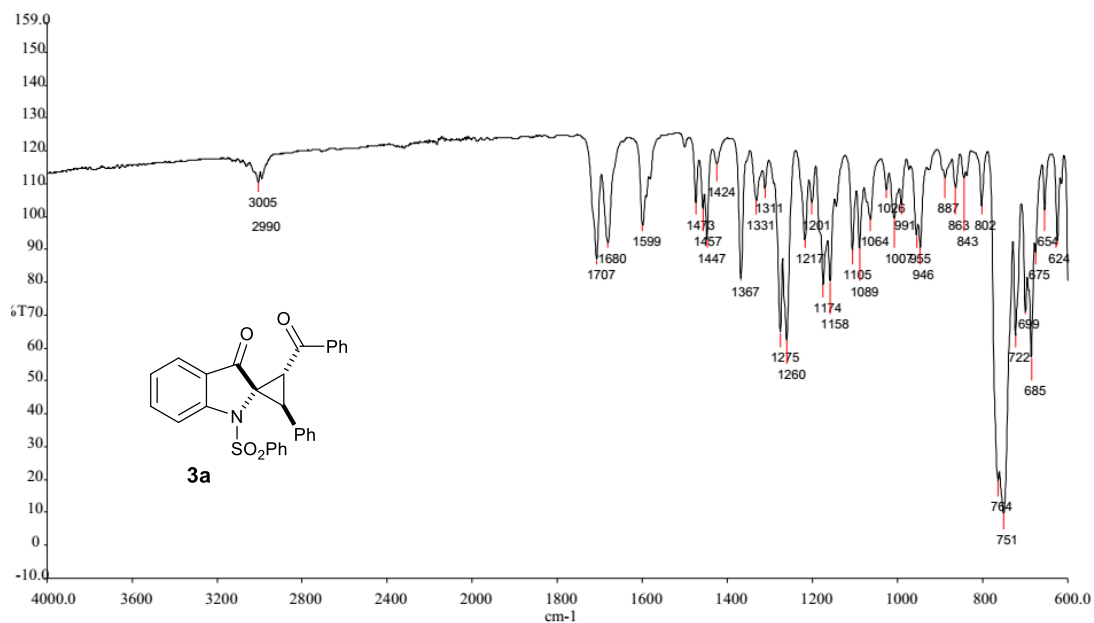


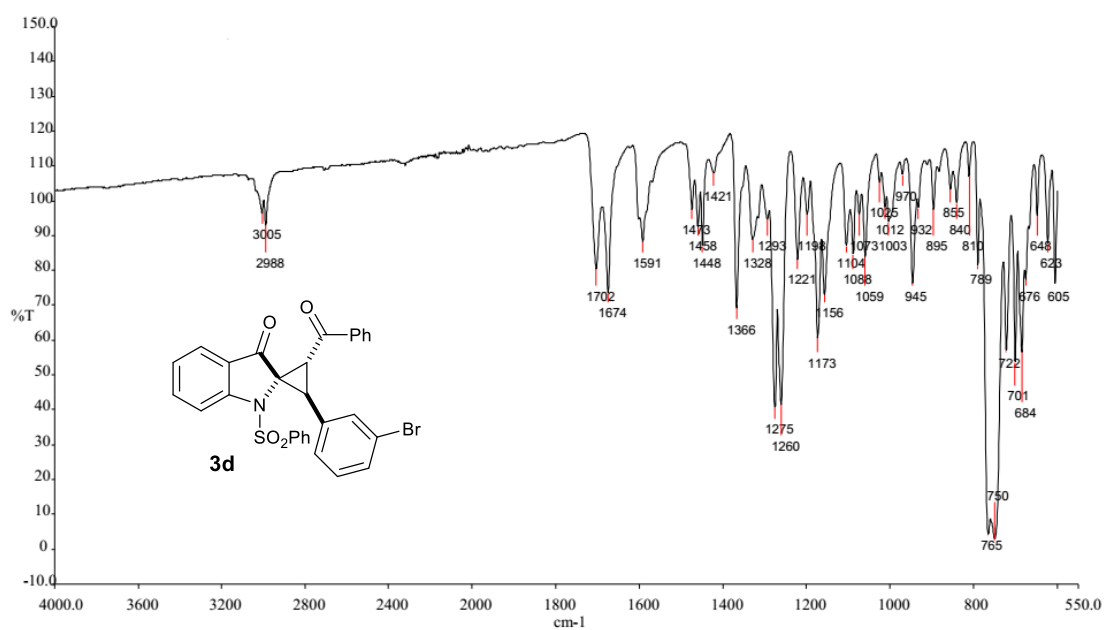
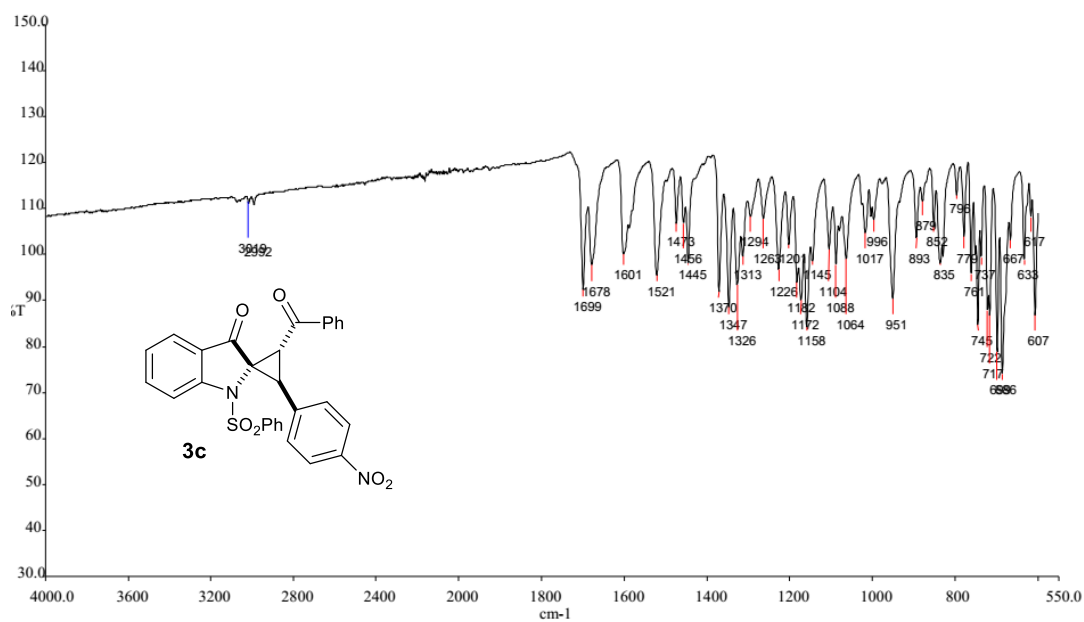


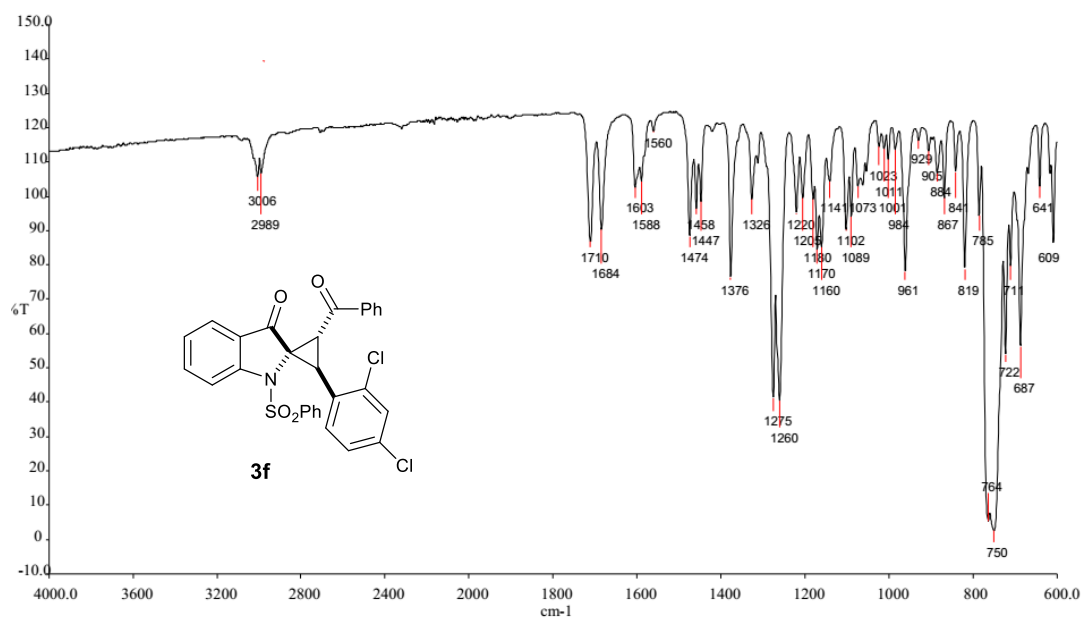
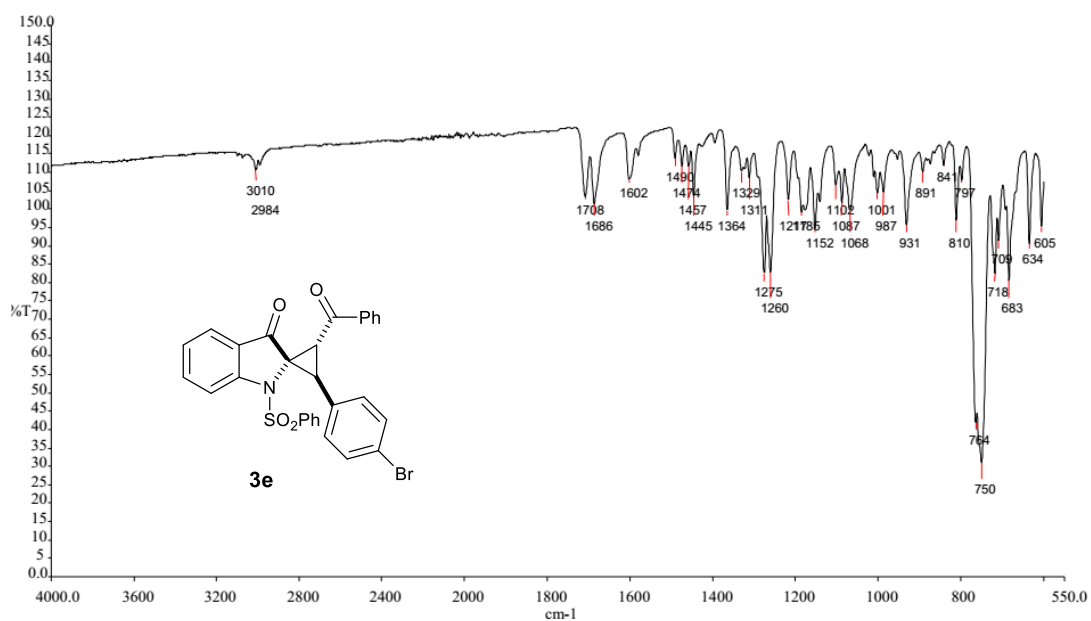


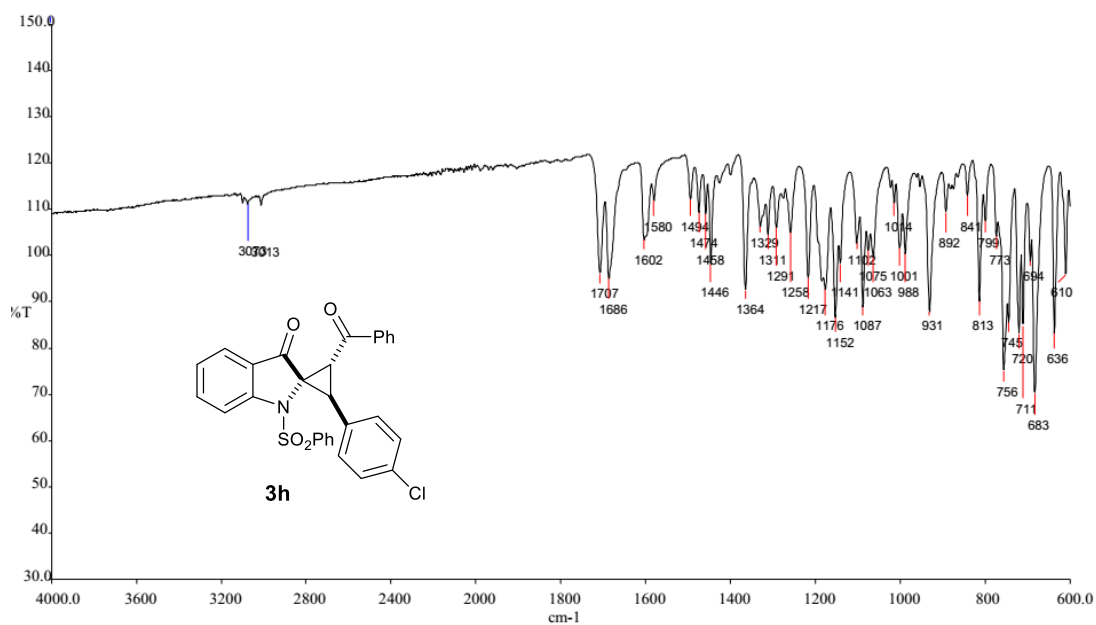
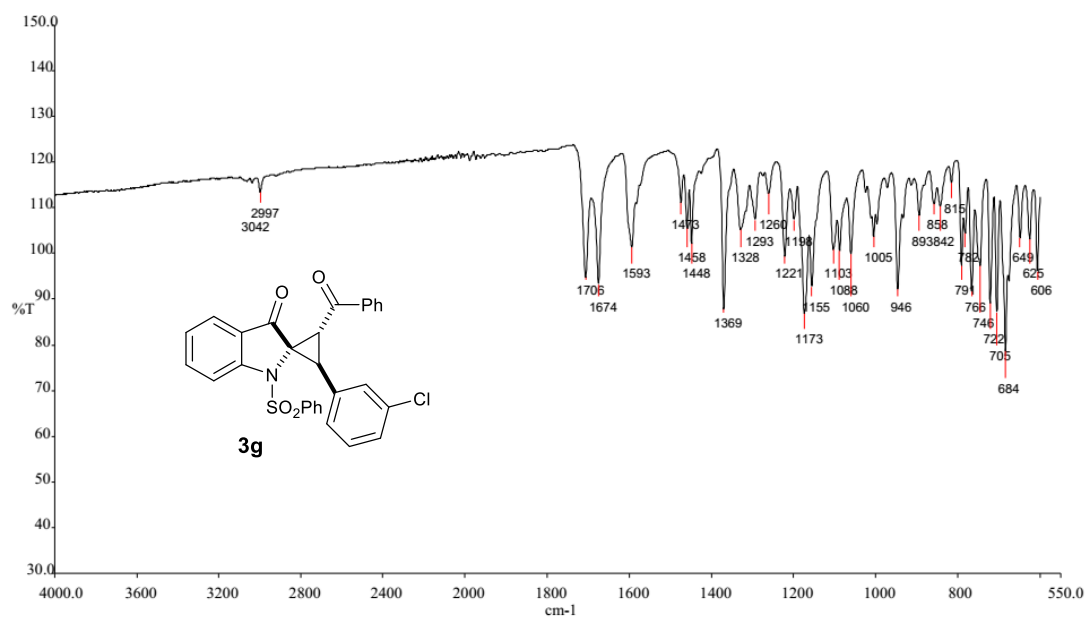


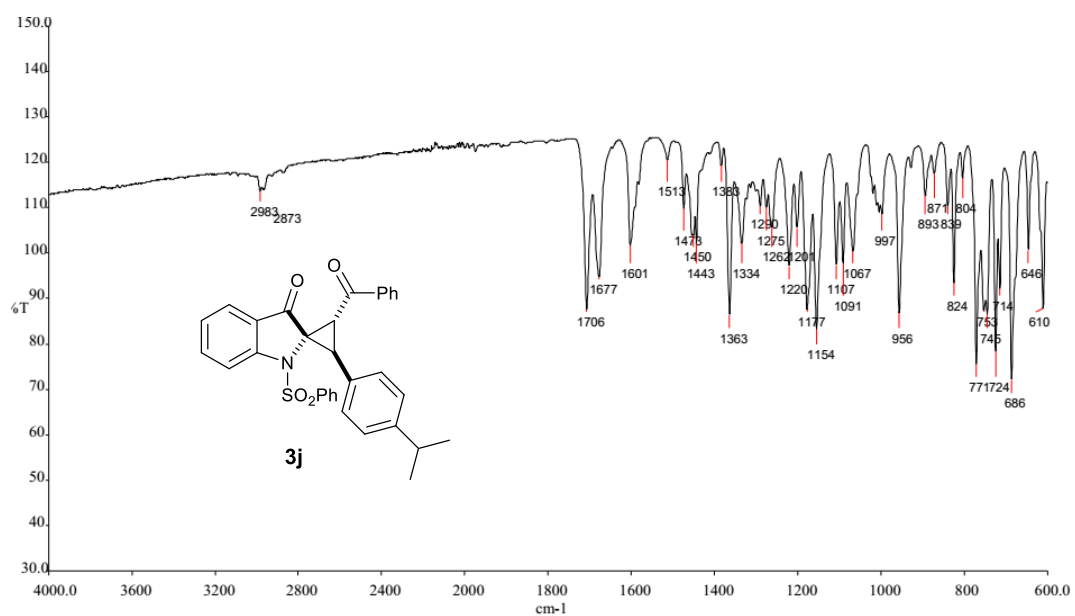
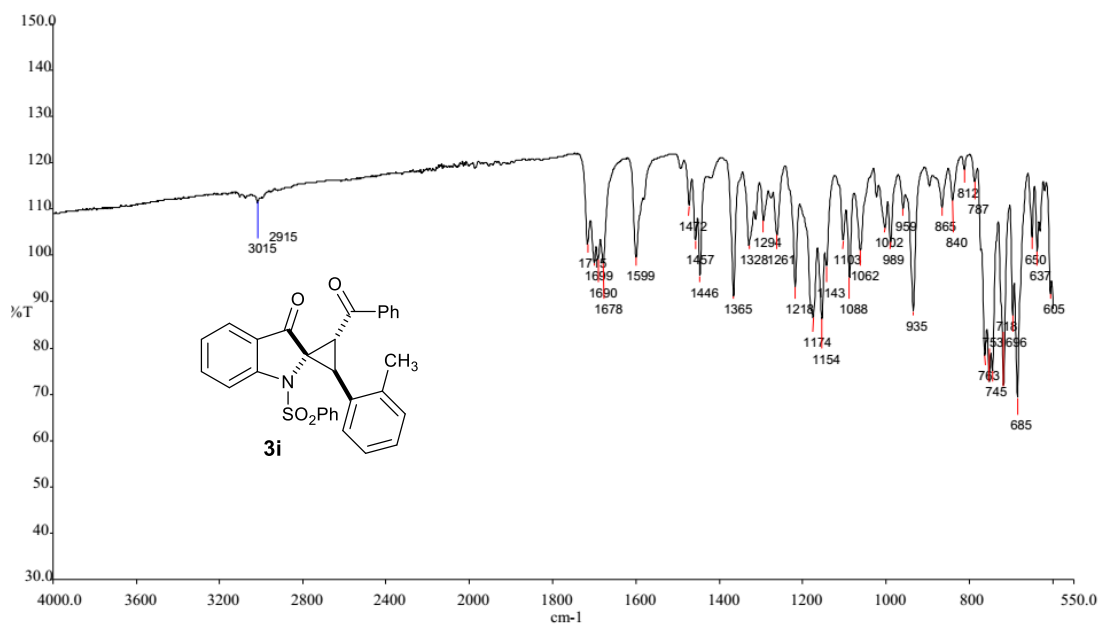
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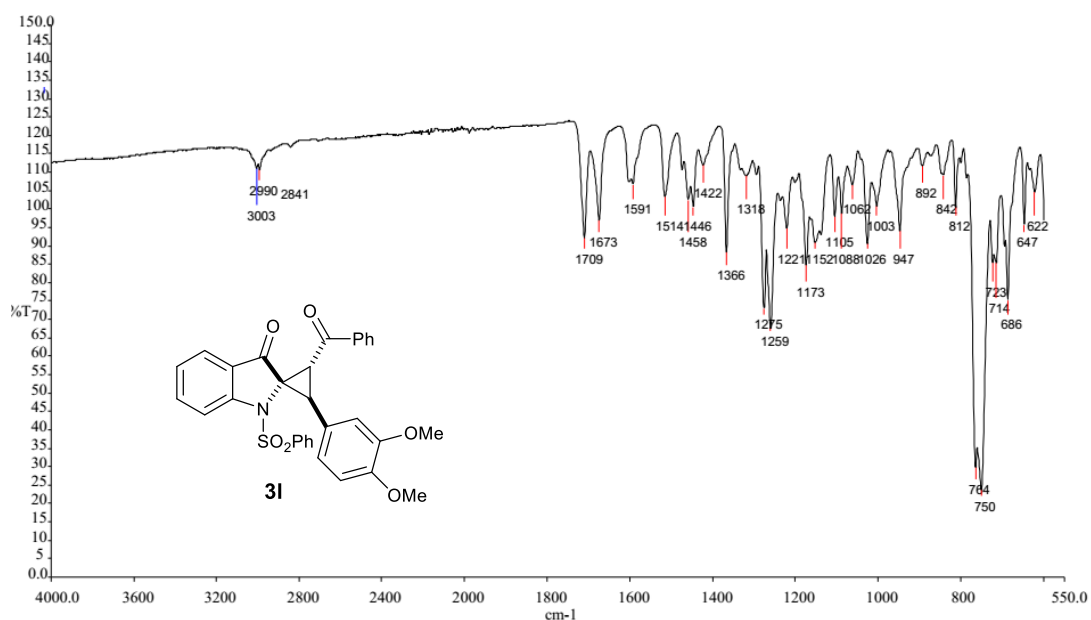
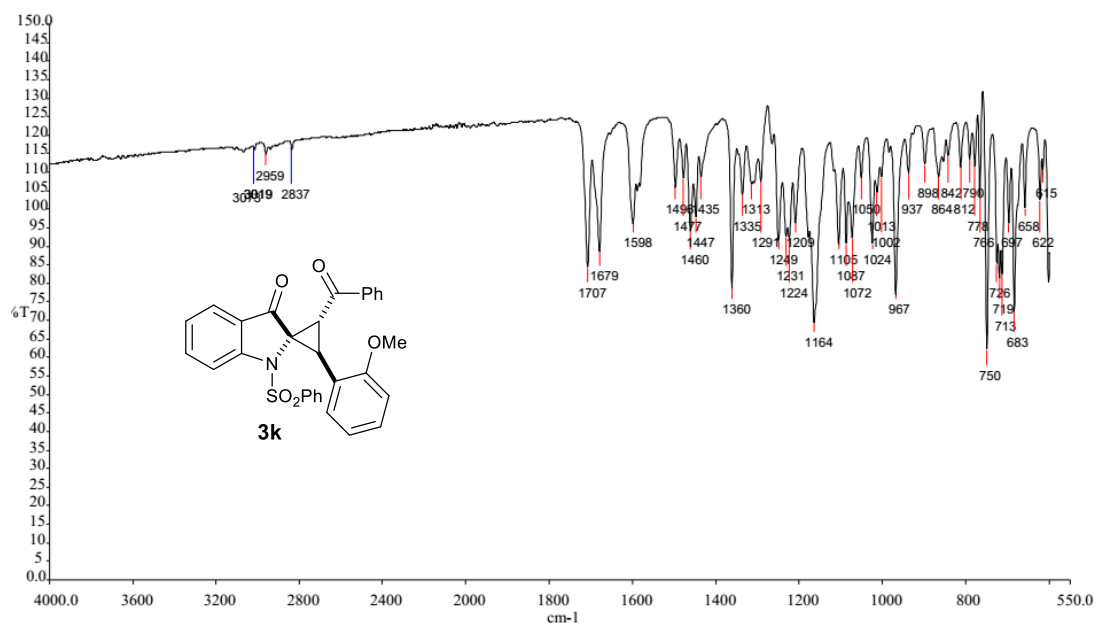


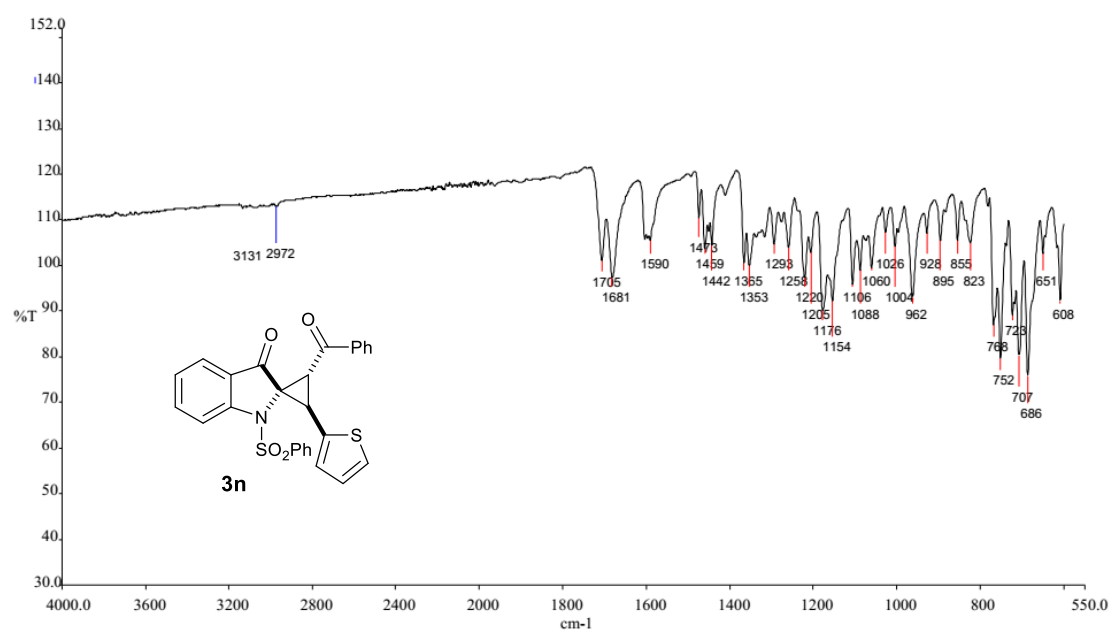
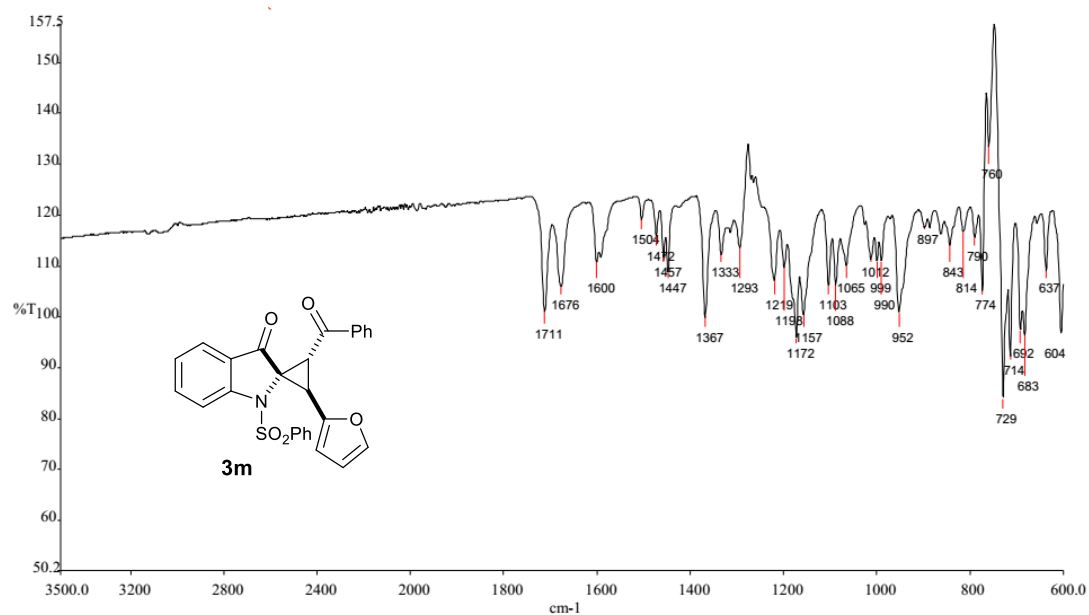


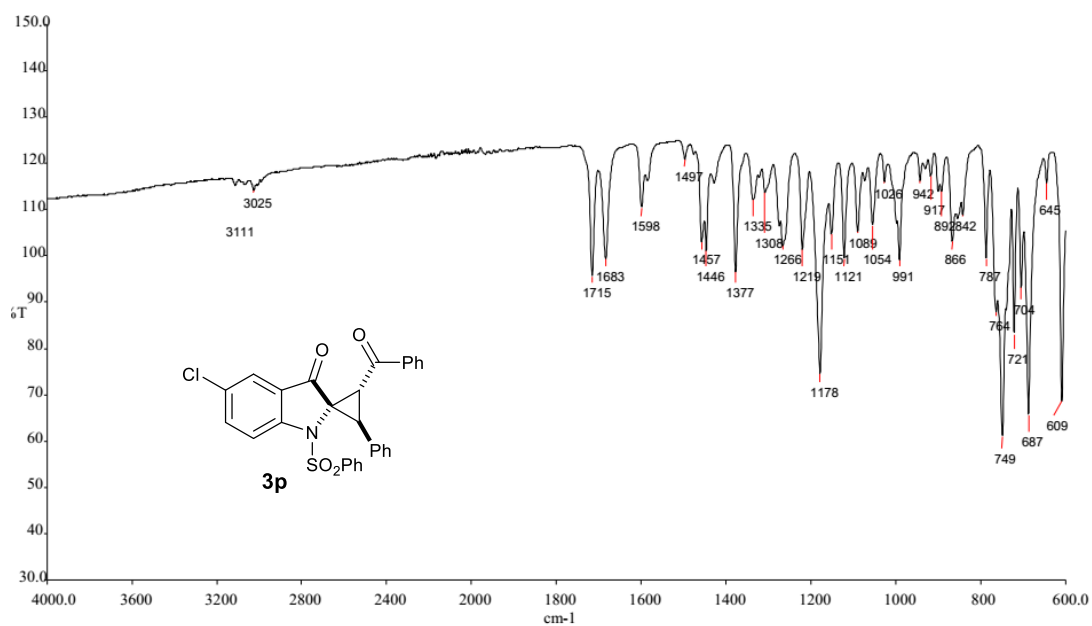
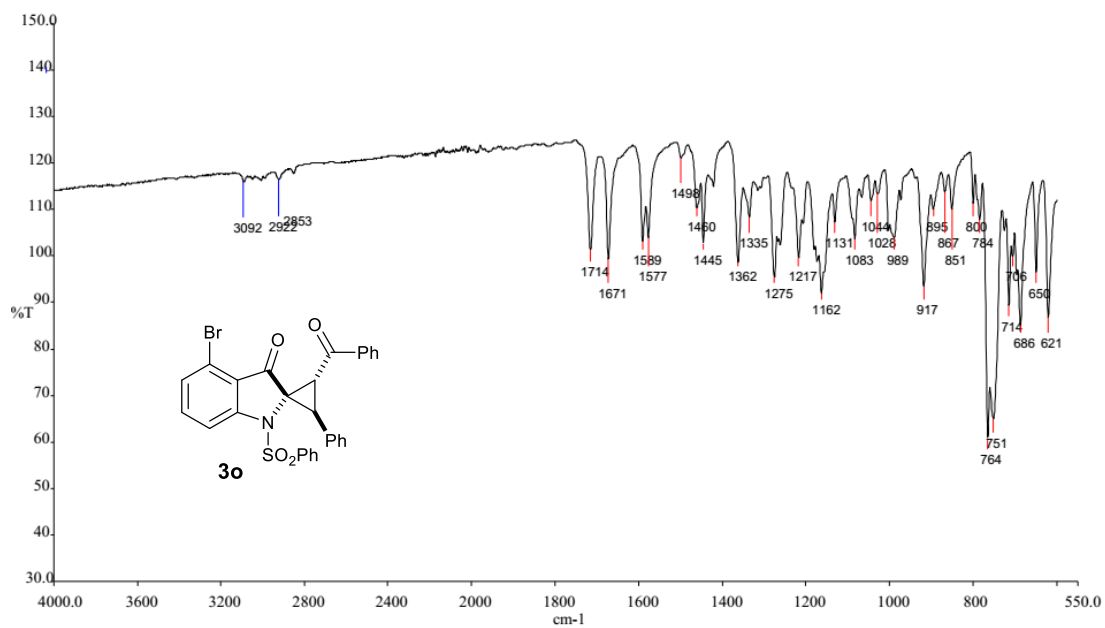


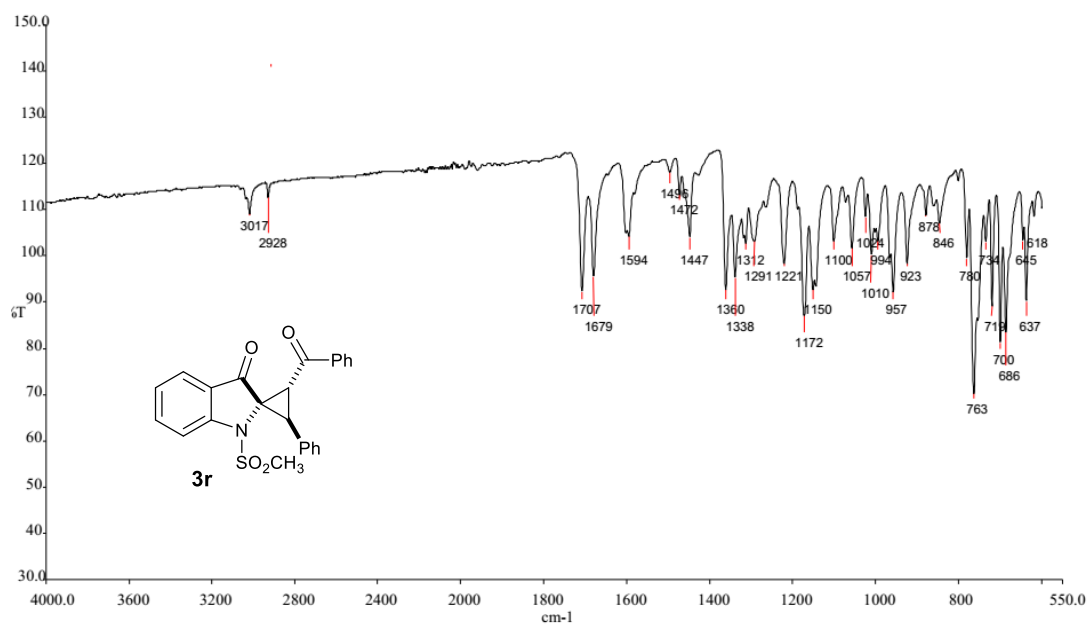
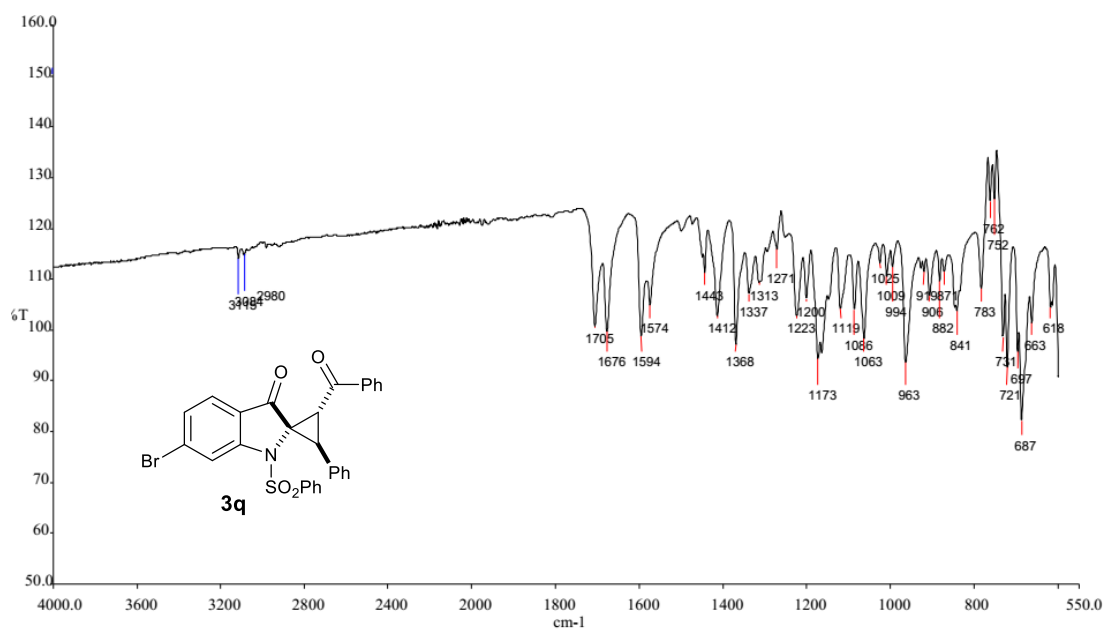


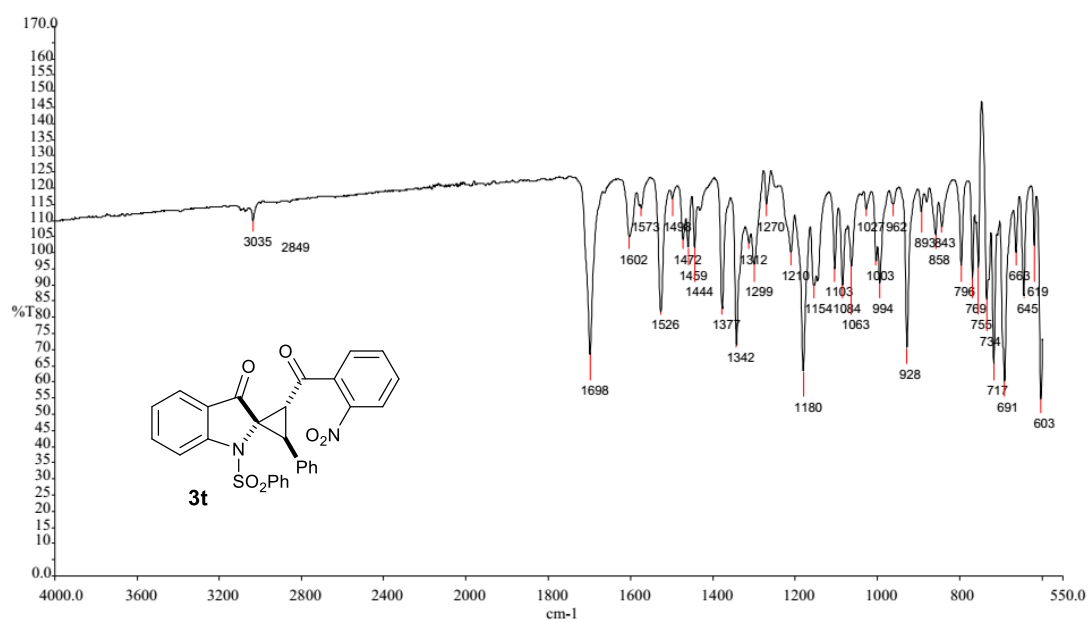
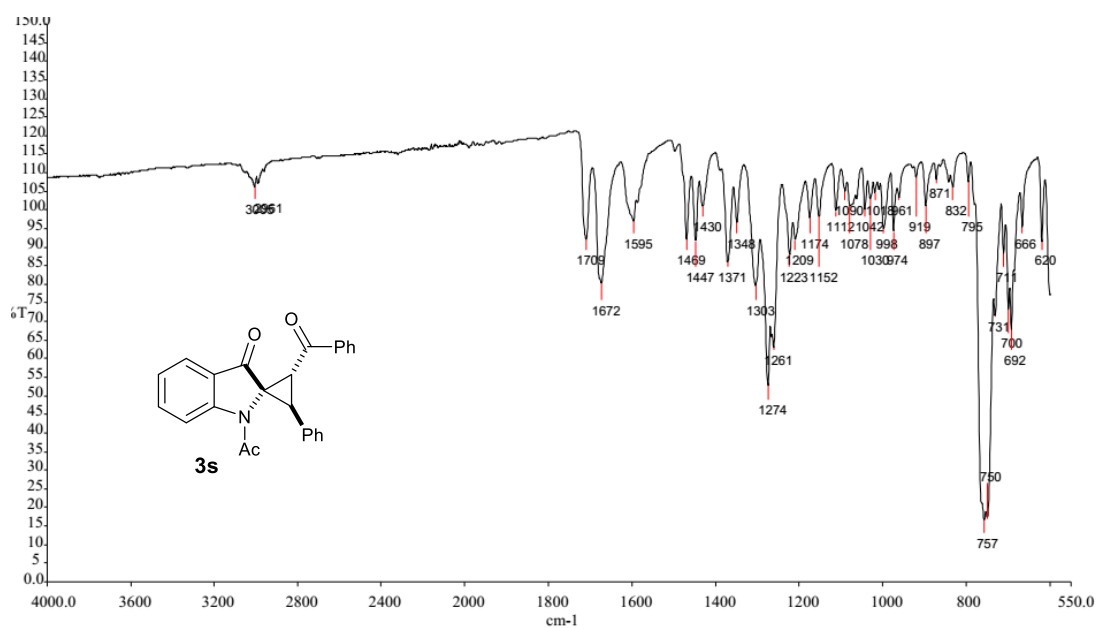


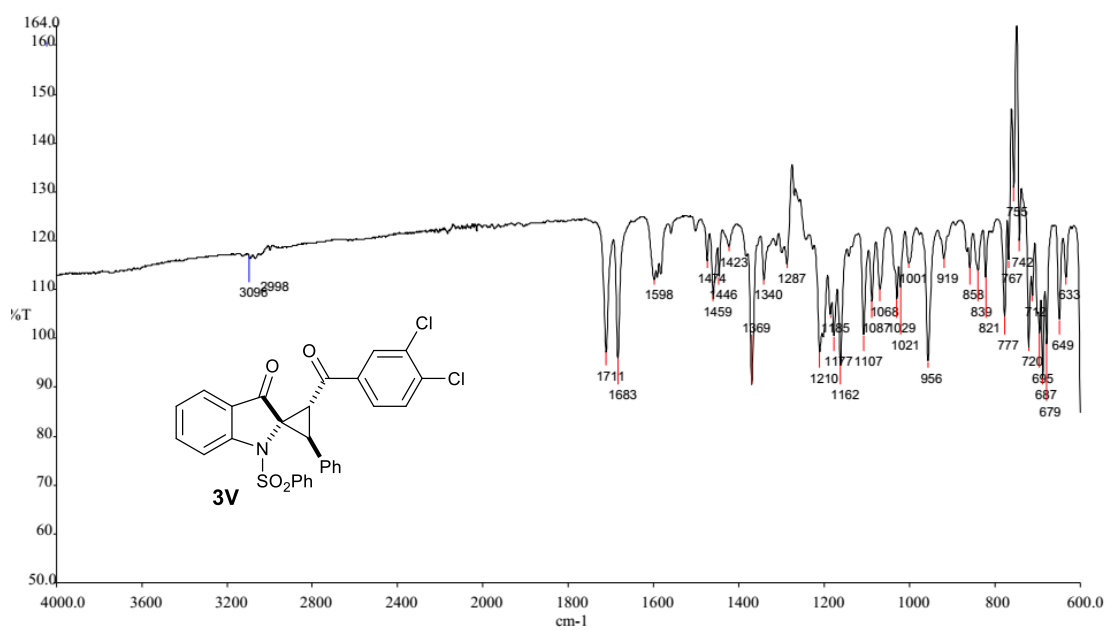
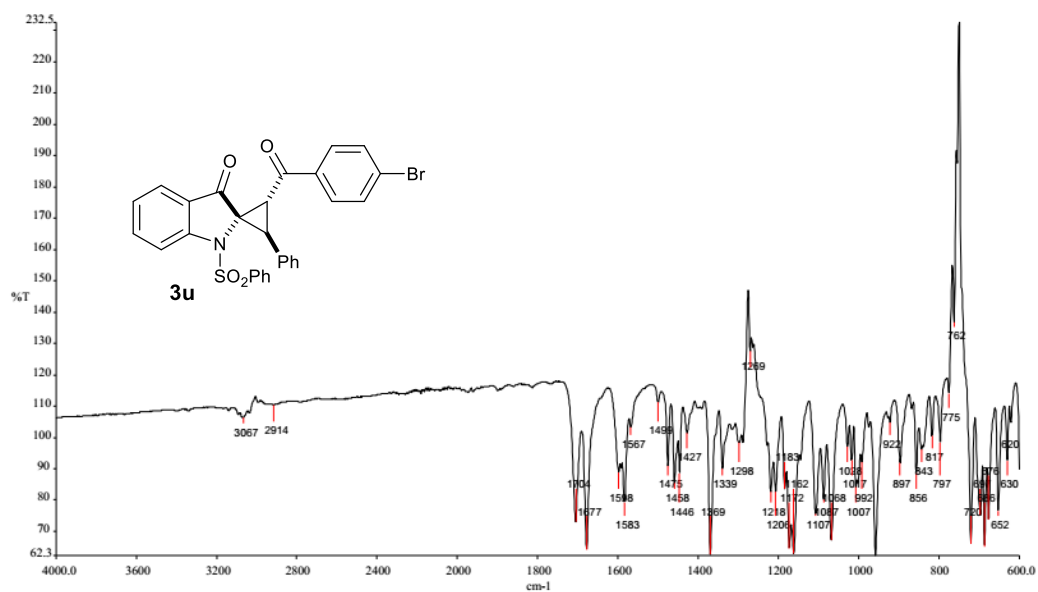


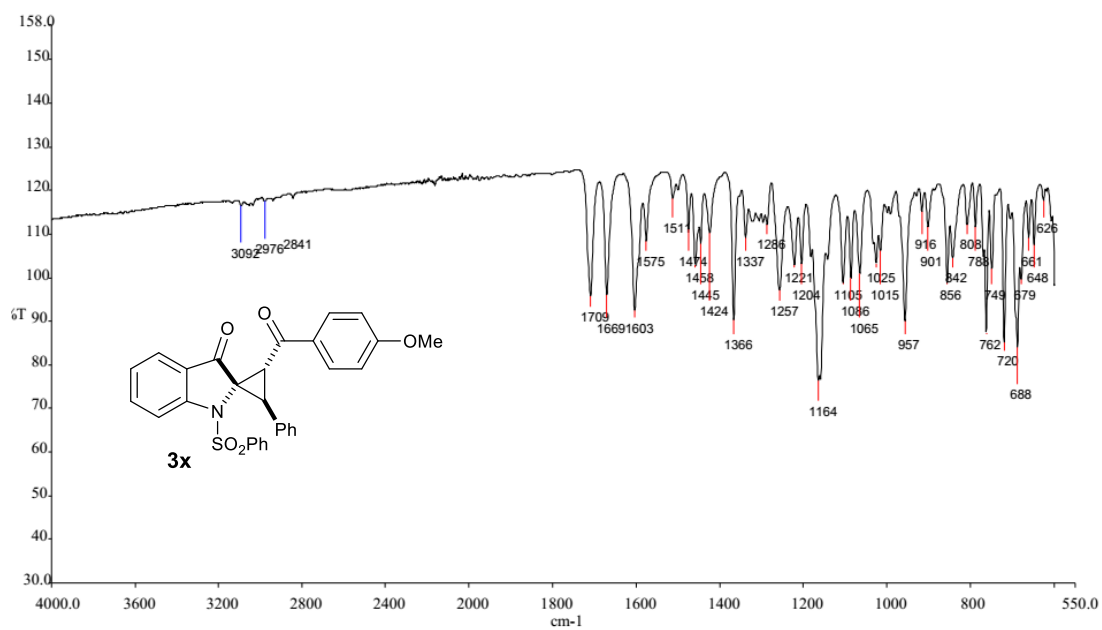
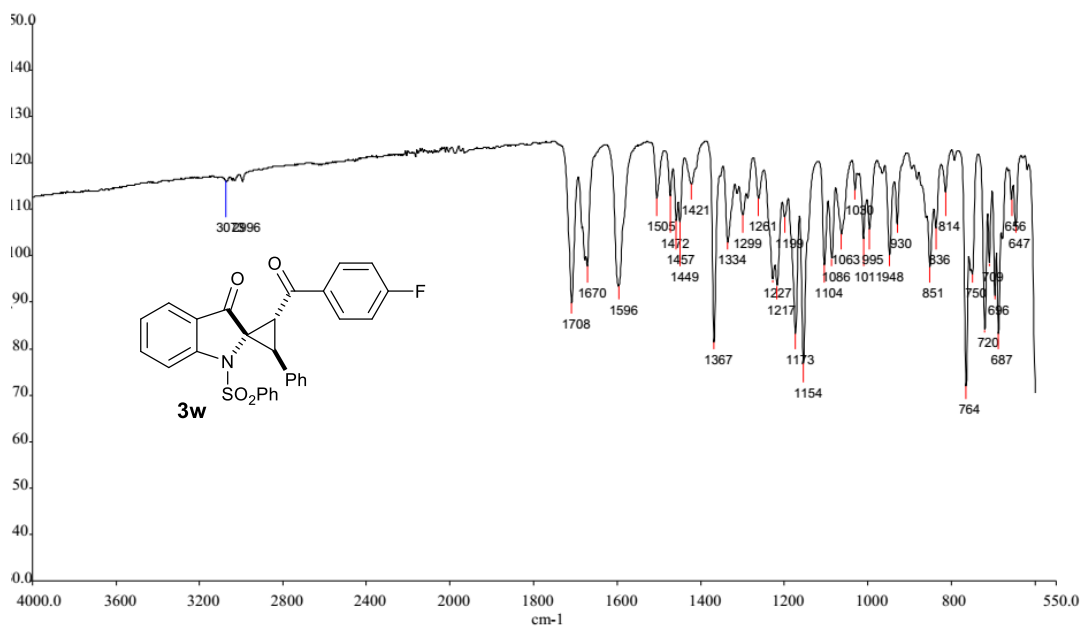


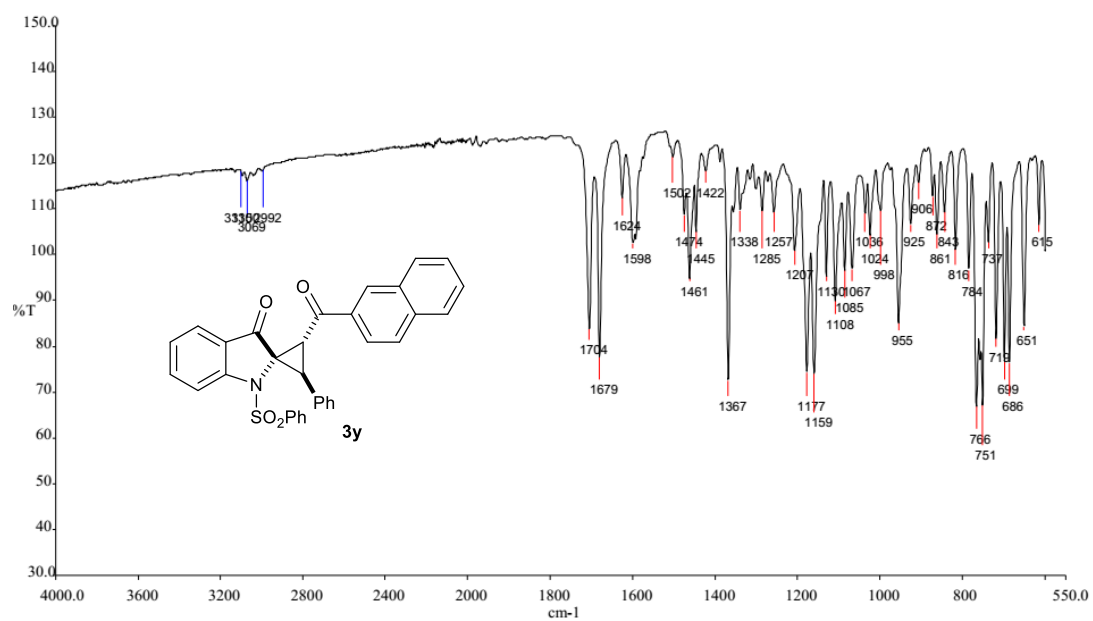




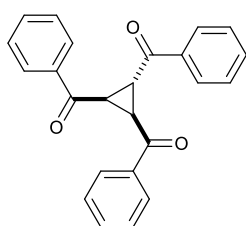




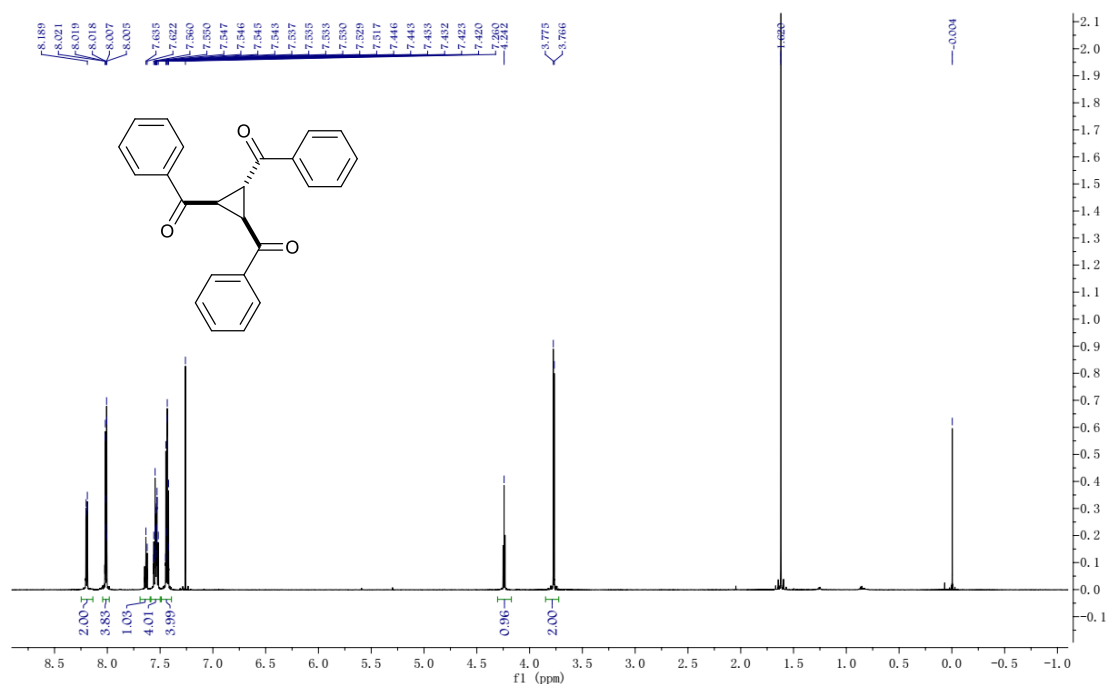


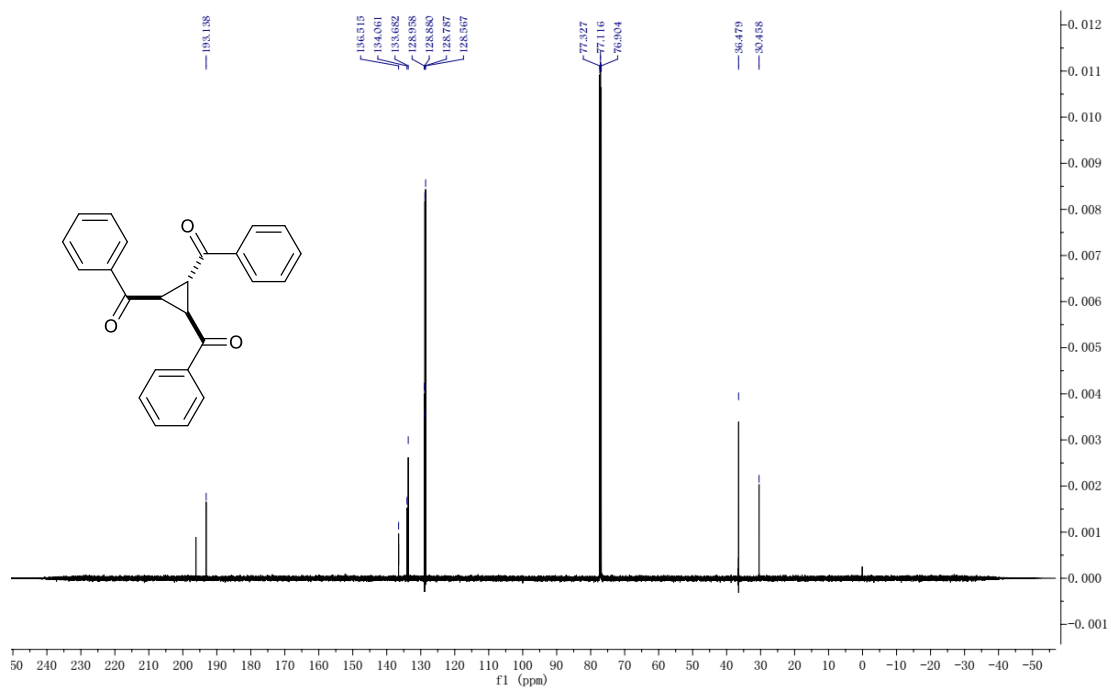


9. Spectra of the By-product



White solid. ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 8.20-8.19 (m, 2H), 8.02-8.01 (m, 4H), 7.65-7.62 (m, 1H), 7.56-7.52 (m, 4H), 7.45-7.42 (m, 4H), 4.24 (t, J = 5.4 Hz, 1H), 3.77 (d, J = 5.4 Hz, 1H), 7.35-7.33 (m, 3H), 7.28-7.24 (m, 1H), 7.18 (d, 7.6 Hz, 2H) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 196.2, 193.1, 136.5, 136.5, 134.1, 133.7, 129.0, 128.9, 128.8, 128.6, 36.5, 30.5 ppm. HRMS (ESI): m/z calculated for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}_3^+\text{Na}$: 377.1148, found: 377.1144.





10. Computational Data and Details

All calculations and geometry optimizations were performed with the Gaussian 09 Rev. D01 program. Geometry optimizations of all the minima structures involved were carried out using the 6-31+G basis set for the optimization of all stationary points in gas phase without any constraints. Optimizations at different theoretical levels were completed to verify the influence of different methods, which came to the same conclusion. The wave functions of all stationary points have been computationally tested as stable ones. Frequency calculations were performed to confirm that each stationary point was a global minimum with the imaginary frequency as zero.

	major	Minor1	Minor2	Minor3
E_{ele} (singlet, a.u.)	-4441.58	-4441.58	-4441.57	-4441.57

Cartesian Coordinates of All Computed Structures

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O	1.92939	0.04332	3.78566
O	2.61968	1.42495	-0.5092
O	3.98951	-0.94366	-0.62205
S	2.625	-0.14187	-0.80145