

Regiospecific formal [3+2] Annulation of *tert*-Propargyl alcohols with acyclic 1,3-diketones via the Cycloisomerization of homoallenyl ketones

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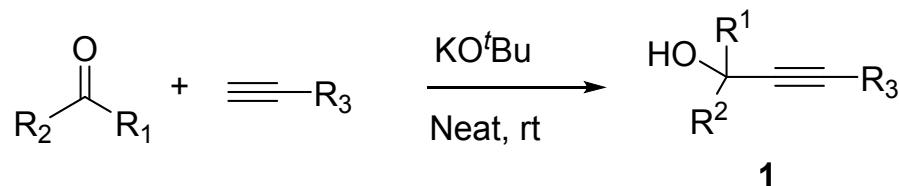
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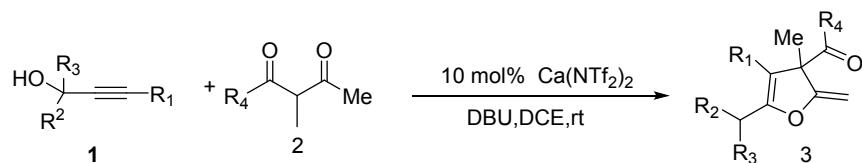
I. General Information: Unless otherwise noted, all reagents were used as received from commercial suppliers. Reactions were performed in flame-dried or oven-dried glassware with magnetic stirring. Reactions were monitored using thin-layer chromatography (TLC) with aluminium sheets silica gel 60 F₂₅₄ from Merck. TLC plates were visualized with UV light (254 nm), iodine treatment or using *p*-anisaldehyde or KMnO₄ stain. Column chromatography was carried out using silica gel 60–120 mesh as the stationary phase. NMR spectra were recorded at 500 MHz and 400 MHz (¹H) and at 125 MHz and 100 MHz (¹³C), respectively on Avance Bruker spectrometer. Chemical shifts (δ) are reported in ppm, using the residual solvent peak in CDCl₃ (¹H: δ = 7.26 and ¹³C: δ = 77.16 ppm) as an internal standard, and coupling constants (J) are given in Hz. HRMS were recorded using ESI-TOF techniques. Melting points were measured with LABINDIA mepa melting apparatus.

II. General experimental procedures

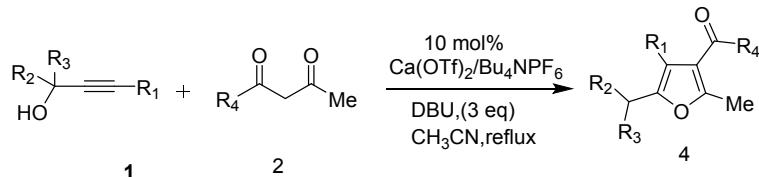
II.1. General experimental procedure for the synthesis of *tert*-propargylic alcohol (1): A mixture of terminal alkyne (1.2 equiv), *t*-BuOK (1.5 equiv) and ketone (1 equiv) were placed into a reaction flask at room temperature under nitrogen atmosphere and the mixture was stirred for 2–6 h. After completion of the reaction (monitored by TLC), the resulting mixture was quenched with water and extracted into ethyl acetate (thrice). Combined organic layers were washed with brine solution and dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and the solvent was evaporated to obtain the pure compounds in good yield.



II.2. General experimental procedure for the synthesis of dihydrofuran 3: A mixture of aryl propargylic alcohol **1** (1 equiv) and respective 3-methylpentane-2,4-dione **2** (1.5 equiv) were stirred at rt in presence of $\text{Ca}(\text{NTf}_2)_2$ (10 mol%) for appropriate time till the formation of the allene (monitored by TLC). Then 3 equiv. of DBU was added to the reaction mixture and stirred till the completion of the reaction (monitored by TLC), the crude product was purified by using silica gel column chromatography (2-3 % EtOAc in pet ether) to obtain the desired product **3** in good yield.



II.3. General experimental procedure for the synthesis of tetra substituted furan 4: A mixture of aryl propargylic alcohol **1** (1 equiv) and respective acetyl acetone **2** (1.5 equiv) were stirred at 90 °C in presence of $\text{Ca}(\text{OTf})_2/\text{Bu}_4\text{NPF}_6$ (10/5 mol%) for appropriate time till the formation of the allene intermediate/consumption of **1** (monitored by TLC). Then 3 equiv. of DBU was added to the reaction mixture and stirred till completion of the reaction (monitored by TLC), the crude product was purified by using silica gel column chromatography (3–5 % EtOAc in pet ether) to obtain the desired product **4** in moderate to good yield.



III. Spectral Data

I-(5-benzhydryl-3-methyl-2-methylene-4-phenyl-2,3-dihydrofuran-3-yl)ethanone (3a): Yield: 107 mg (80) as white solid; mp 137–138 °C; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 7.37–7.32 (m, 5H), 7.30–7.24 (m, 5H), 7.21 (t, $J = 1.6$ Hz, 3H), 7.04–7.01 (m, 2H), 5.29 (s, 1H), 4.63 (d, $J = 2.8$ Hz, 1H), 4.14 (d, $J = 2.8$ Hz, 1H), 2.13 (s, 3H), 1.38 (s, 3H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 MHz): δ 205.3, 164.7, 154.2, 140.3, 140.1, 131.8, 130.1, 128.9, 128.8, 128.7, 128.6, 128.4, 128.3, 127.6, 127.1, 126.9, 118.5, 85.5, 64.5, 48.4, 25.2, 21.4 ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF): m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{24}\text{O}_2$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 381.1856, found: 381.1855.

*I-(5-benzhydryl-3-methyl-2-methylene-4-(*p*-tolyl)-2,3-dihydrofuran-3-yl)ethanone (3b):* Yield: 104.5 mg (79%) as yellow liquid; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz): δ 7.36–7.22 (m, 9H), 7.13 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 2H), 6.94 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 3H), 5.31 (s, 1H), 4.64 (d, $J = 2.5$ Hz, 1H), 4.15 (d, $J = 2.5$ Hz, 1H), 2.35 (s, 3H), 2.15 (s, 3H), 1.40 (s, 3H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 MHz): δ 205.3, 164.8, 153.8, 140.4, 140.2, 137.4, 129.5, 128.9, 128.6, 128.6, 128.3, 128.2, 126.9, 118.4, 64.6, 48.4, 25.2, 21.4, 21.1 ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF): m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{26}\text{O}_2$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 395.2013, found: 395.2014.

I-(5-benzhydryl-4-(4-butylphenyl)-3-methyl-2-methylene-2,3-dihydrofuran-3-yl)ethanone (3c): Yield:

100 mg (78%) as yellow liquid; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 7.41-7.30 (m, 5H), 7.28-7.23 (m, 5H), 7.14 (d, J = 8 Hz, 2H), 6.96 (d, J = 8 Hz, 2H), 5.33 (s, 1H), 4.64 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 4.15 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 2.61 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.16 (s, 3H), 1.65-1.58 (m, 2H), 1.41 (s, 3H), 1.39-31 (m, 2H), 0.96 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 205.6, 164.9, 153.8, 142.5, 140.5, 140.4, 129.1, 128.9, 128.8, 128.7, 128.5, 127.1, 127.0, 118.6, 85.4, 64.7, 48.5, 35.4, 33.5, 25.4, 22.5, 21.6, 14.1 ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF): m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{32}\text{O}_2$ [M+H]⁺ : 437.2562, found: 437.2561.

I-(5-benzhydryl-4-(4-ethoxyphenyl)-3-methyl-2-methylene-2,3-dihydrofuran-3-yl)ethanone (3d): Yield:

100.8 mg (79%) as yellow liquid; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz): δ 7.39 (q, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.35-7.31 (m, 5H), 7.30 (d, J = 1 Hz, 1H), 7.28-7.22 (m, 2H), 6.96 (q, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 6.84 (q, J = 7 Hz, 2H), 5.28 (s, 1H), 4.63 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 4.14 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 4.04 (q, J = 14 Hz, 2H), 2.14 (s, 3H), 1.43 (t, J = 7 Hz, 3H), 1.39 (s, 3H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 205.5, 165.1, 158.6, 153.6, 140.5, 140.4, 129.8, 129.1, 128.8, 128.7, 128.5, 127.1, 123.9, 118.3, 114.9, 85.3, 64.8, 63.5, 48.5, 25.3, 21.6, 14.9 ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF): m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{28}\text{O}_3$ [M+H]⁺ : 425.2118, found: 425.2119.

I-(5-benzhydryl-4-cyclopropyl-3-methyl-2-methylene-2,3-dihydrofuran-3-yl)ethanone (3e): Yield: 108 mg (78%) as yellow liquid; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 7.32 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.31 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 7.29-7.26 (m, 3H), 7.24-7.21 (m, 4H), 7.18 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 5.41 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 4.51 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 4.01 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 1.98 (s, 3H), 1.40 (s, 3H), 1.21-1.15 (m, 1H), 0.77-0.61 (m, 2H), 0.48-0.29 (m, 2H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 205.5, 205.5, 164.8, 164.8, 153.8, 153.7, 139.8, 139.7, 138.8, 138.7, 132.8, 132.7, 130.2, 130.1, 128.7, 128.7, 128.6, 128.6, 128.5, 127.1, 127.1, 116.9, 116.9, 84.9, 64.5, 64.5, 47.1, 47.1, 25.1, 25.1, 21.8, 21.7, 5.2, 5.2, 5.1, 3.9, 3.9 ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF): m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{24}\text{O}_2$ [M+H]⁺ : 344.1776, found: 344.1775.

I-(5-((4-chlorophenyl)(phenyl)methyl)-3-methyl-2-methylene-4-phenyl-2,3-dihydrofuran-3-yl)ethanone (3f):

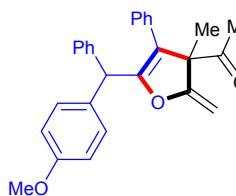
Yield: 102.8 mg (79%) as yellow liquid; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz): δ 7.40 (d, J = 7 Hz, 1H), 7.37-7.32 (m, 6H), 7.30-7.28 (m, 3H), 7.21 (d, J = 7 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.03 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 5.28 (d, J = 11.5 Hz, 1H), 4.67 (d, J = 3 Hz, 1H), 4.18 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 2.16 (s, 3H), 1.42 (s, 3H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 MHz): δ 205.1, 164.6, 164.5, 153.6, 153.5, 139.8, 139.7, 138.8, 138.7, 132.9, 132.9, 131.6, 131.6, 130.3, 130.1, 128.8, 128.8, 128.8, 128.6, 128.5, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 127.7, 127.7, 127.2, 118.8, 85.7, 64.6, 64.5, 47.8, 25.2, 25.2, 21.5, 21.4 ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF): m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{23}\text{ClO}_2$ [M+H]⁺ : 414.1387, found: 414.1388.

I-(5-((4-fluorophenyl)(phenyl)methyl)-3-methyl-2-methylene-4-phenyl-2,3-dihydrofuran-3-yl)ethanone (3g):

Yield: 102.8 mg (78%) as white solid; mp 108-109 °C; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz): δ 7.41-7.28 (m, 8H), 7.28-7.18 (m, 2H), 7.09-6.99 (m, 4H), 5.29 (d, J = 11 Hz, 1H), 4.67 (d, J = 3 Hz, 1H), 4.18 (d, J = 5 Hz, 1H), 2.16 (s, 3H), 1.41 (s, 3H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 MHz): δ 205.1, 164.6, 164.5, 162.8, 162.8, 160.8,

153.9, 153.8, 140.1, 140.1, 136.1, 135.8, 131.7, 131.6, 130.5, 130.4, 130.2, 130.2, 128.4, 128.3, 127.7, 127.6, 127.1, 127.1, 115.6, 115.4, 115.3, 115.2, 85.6, 64.6, 64.5, 47.7, 25.2, 21.5, 21.4 ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF): m/z calcd for $C_{27}H_{23}FO_2$ [M+H]⁺ : 399.1762, found: 399.1766.

I-(5-((4-methoxyphenyl)(phenyl)methyl)-3-methyl-2-methylene-4-phenyl-2,3-dihydrofuran-3-yl)ethanone (**3h**): Yield: 104.5 mg (80%) as white solid; mp 140-141 °C; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ 7.32-7.29

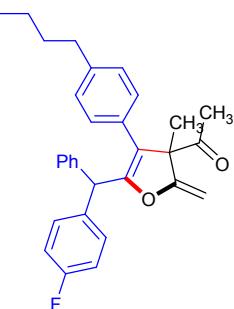


(m, 4H), 7.28-7.25 (m, 4H), 7.22 (t, $J = 1.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.06-7.04 (m, 2H), 6.94-6.92 (m, 2H), 5.27 (s, 1H), 4.65 (d, $J = 2.8$ Hz, 1H), 4.15 (d, $J = 2.8$ Hz, 1H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 2.16 (s, 3H), 1.40 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) : δ 205.6, 164.7, 158.6, 154.5, 140.7, 132.2, 131.9, 129.8, 128.9, 128.5, 128.4, 127.6, 127.1, 118.3, 114.1, 85.6, 64.6, 55.4, 47.7, 25.4, 21.5 ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF): m/z calcd for $C_{28}H_{26}O_3$ [M+H]⁺ : 410.1882; found: 410.1881.

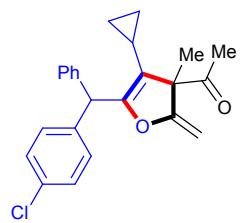
I-(5-(bis(4-fluorophenyl)methyl)-3-methyl-2-methylene-4-phenyl-2,3-dihydrofuran-3-yl)ethanone (**3i**): Yield: 102.7 mg (79%) as yellow liquid; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz): δ 7.32 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.29 (t, $J = 2$ Hz, 3H), 7.19 (q, $J = 5.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.08 (t, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.02 (q, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 4H), 5.25 (s, 1H), 4.67 (d, $J = 2.5$ Hz, 1H), 4.19 (d, $J = 2.5$ Hz, 1H), 2.15 (s, 3H), 1.41 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) : δ 205.1, 164.6, 163.1, 162.9, 161.1, 161.1, 153.7, 136.1, 135.9, 135.8, 135.8, 131.6, 130.5, 130.4, 130.2, 130.2, 129.1, 128.4, 127.9, 118.9, 115.8, 115.6, 115.6, 115.4, 85.9, 64.7, 47.1, 25.3, 21.6 ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF): m/z calcd for $C_{27}H_{22}F_2O_2$ [M+H]⁺ : 416.1588, found: 416.1587.

I-(5-((4-fluorophenyl)(phenyl)methyl)-3-methyl-2-methylene-4-(*p*-tolyl)-2,3-dihydrofuran-3-yl)ethanone (**3j**): Yield: 104.3 mg (80%) as yellow liquid; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz): δ 7.39 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.34-7.28 (m, 4H), 7.22-7.19 (m, 2H), 7.15-7.00 (m, 4H), 6.94 (d, $J = 2$ Hz, 1H), 6.92 (d, $J = 2$ Hz, 1H), 5.27 (d, $J = 10.5$ Hz, 1H), 4.65 (d, $J = 2.5$ Hz, 1H), 4.16 (d, $J = 2.5$ Hz, 1H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 2.14 (s, 3H), 1.40 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) : δ 205.2, 164.7, 164.6, 153.4, 140.2, 140.1, 137.5, 130.5, 130.4, 130.2, 130.2, 129.5, 128.7, 128.7, 128.6, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 127.1, 118.6, 115.5, 115.3, 115.3, 115.1, 85.4, 64.6, 64.5, 47.6, 25.2, 21.5, 21.4, 21.1 ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF): m/z calcd for $C_{28}H_{25}FO_2$ [M+H]⁺ : 413.1919, found: 413.1919.

I-(5-benzhydryl-4-(4-butylphenyl)-3-methyl-2-methylene-2,3-dihydrofuran-3-yl)ethanone (**3k**): Yield: 98.9 mg (78%) as yellow liquid; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz): δ 7.87 (t, $J = 3.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.81-7.79 (m, 1H), 7.52 (d, $J = 8$ Hz, 1H), 7.34-7.28 (m, 2H), 7.21-2.00 (m, 7H), 6.95-6.93 (m, 2H), 5.30 (d, $J = 10$ Hz, 1H), 4.64 (d, $J = 2.5$ Hz, 1H), 4.16 (d, $J = 2.5$ Hz, 1H), 2.60 (t, $J = 1.5$ Hz, 2H), 2.15 (s, 3H), 1.63-1.41 (m, 2H), 1.40 (s, 3H), 1.39-0.95 (m, 2H), 0.94 (t, $J = 1.0$ Hz, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 MHz) : δ 205.4, 195.4, 164.7, 153.6, 153.5, 142.6, 140.3, 140.2, 137.6, 130.1, 128.9, 128.8, 128.4, 118.7, 115.6, 115.5, 115.4, 115.2, 85.6, 64.7, 64.6, 47.7, 35.4, 33.5, 25.4, 22.5, 21.6, 21.5, 14.1 ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF): m/z calcd for $C_{31}H_{32}O_2$ [M+H]⁺ : 436.2402, found: 436.2401.



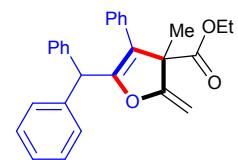
I-(5-((4-chlorophenyl)(phenyl)methyl)-4-cyclopropyl-3-methyl-2-methylene-2,3-dihydrofuran-3-yl)ethanone (**3l**): Yield: 104.5 mg (78%) as yellow liquid; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 7.62-7.34 (m, 5H), 7.33-7.27 (m, 4H), 5.48 (s, 1H), 4.54 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 4.03 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 2.01 (s, 3H), 1.43 (s, 3H), 1.25-1.21 (m, 1H), 0.77-0.74 (m, 2H), 0.68-0.66 (m, 1H), 0.50-0.36 (m, 1H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz) : δ 205.9, 165.1, 154.4, 140.3, 140.3, 132.5, 130.2, 128.9, 128.7, 128.6, 128.5, 128.4, 127.1, 126.9, 116.7, 84.8, 64.7, 47.8, 25.2, 21.8, 5.4, 5.2, 4.1 ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF): m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{23}\text{ClO}_2$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 378.1387, found: 378.1387.



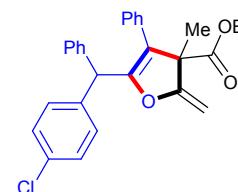
I-(5-(9*H*-fluoren-9-yl)-3-methyl-2-methylene-4-phenyl-2,3-dihydrofuran-3-yl)ethanone (**3m**):

Yield: 103.2 mg (77%) as yellow liquid; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz): δ 8.37 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.80-7.43 (m, 2H), 7.42 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.42-7.32 (m, 6H), 7.29-7.16 (m, 3H), 5.20 (d, J = 3 Hz, 1H), 5.12 (s, 1H), 4.52 (d, J = 3 Hz, 1H), 2.33 (s, 3H), 1.03 (s, 3H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 MHz) : δ 205.1, 164.6, 164.5, 162.8, 162.8, 160.8, 153.9, 153.8, 140.1, 140.1, 136.1, 135.8, 135.8, 131.6, 131.6, 130.5, 130.4, 130.2, 130.2, 128.4, 128.3, 127.7, 127.6, 127.1, 127.1, 115.6, 115.4, 115.3, 115.2, 85.6, 64.6, 64.5, 47.7, 25.2, 25.1, 21.5, 21.4 ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF): m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{22}\text{O}_2$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 379.1700, found: 379.1700.

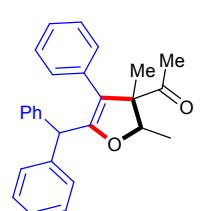
Ethyl 5-benzhydryl-3-methyl-2-methylene-4-phenyl-2,3-dihydrofuran-3-carboxylate (**3n**): Yield: 114.10 mg (79%) as yellow liquid; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz): δ 7.39 (d, J = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.38-7.35 (m, 3H), 7.34-7.31 (m, 3H), 7.28 (t, J = 8.5 Hz, 4H), 7.24 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.16-7.15 (m, 2H), 5.15 (s, 1H), 4.61 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 4.29 (d, J = 3 Hz, 1H), 4.28-4.20 (m, 2H), 1.50 (s, 3H), 1.30 (t, J = 7 Hz, 3H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 MHz) : δ 172.6, 165.1, 153.2, 140.8, 140.3, 132.2, 129.3, 128.6, 128.5, 128.5, 128.1, 127.5, 126.1, 126.5, 118.5, 84.4, 61.6, 58.1, 47.8, 22.9, 13.9 ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF): m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{26}\text{O}_3$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 411.1962, found: 411.1961.



Ethyl 5-((4-chlorophenyl)(phenyl)methyl)-3-methyl-2-methylene-4-phenyl-2,3-dihydrofuran-3-carboxylate (**3o**): Yield: 108.9 mg (78%) as yellow liquid; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz): δ 7.39 (d, J = 7 Hz, 1H), 7.35-7.32 (m, 6H), 7.31-7.28 (m, 2H), 7.24 (d, J = 9 Hz, 2H), 7.16 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.14 (t, J = 1.5 Hz, 2H), 5.10 (s, 1H), 4.62 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 4.31 (d, J = 3 Hz, 1H), 4.26 (q, J = 7 Hz, 2H), 1.50 (s, 3H), 1.31 (t, J = 7 Hz, 3H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 MHz) : δ 172.4, 172.3, 164.9, 152.7, 140.3, 139.8, 139.3, 138.8, 132.8, 132.4, 132.1, 130.6, 130.1, 129.3, 129.2, 129.9, 128.7, 128.7, 128.6, 128.5, 128.5, 128.2, 127.7, 127.6, 127.1, 126.7, 118.8, 84.6, 61.7, 61.6, 58.2, 58.1, 47.3, 22.9, 14.1 ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF): m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{25}\text{ClO}_3$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 445.1572, found: 445.1573.



I-(5-benzhydryl-2,3-dimethyl-4-phenyl-2,3-dihydrofuran-3-yl)ethanone (**5**): Yield: 78.4 mg (78%) as yellow liquid; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 7.31 (t, J = 2 Hz, 4H), 7.22 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 7.20-7.14 (m, 4H), 7.09 (t, J = 1.6 Hz, 2H), 6.92-6.89 (m, 2H), 5.27 (s, 1H), 4.43 (q, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 1.95 (s, 3H), 1.18 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 1.09 (s, 3H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz) : δ 212.3, 156.5, 140.3, 133.7, 129.5, 128.8, 128.7, 128.6, 128.2, 127.5, 126.9, 126.8, 119.1, 86.7, 63.6, 49.1, 29.1, 19.4, 14.3 ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF): m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{26}\text{O}_2$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 382.1933, found: 382.1933.



I-(5-benzhydryl-3-methyl-2-methylene-4-phenyl-2,3-dihydrofuran-3-yl)ethanol (**6**): Yield: 80.4 mg (80%) as yellow liquid; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 7.38 (t, $J = 3.2$ Hz, 3H), 7.37-7.32 (m, 4H), 7.30 (d, $J = 2$ Hz, 1H), 7.29-7.25 (m, 6H), 7.20 (t, $J = 1.2$ Hz, 2H), 5.01 (s, 1H), 4.60 (d, $J = 2.5$ Hz, 1H), 4.19 (d, $J = 2.4$ Hz, 1H), 3.65 (q, $J = 6$ Hz, 1H), 1.41 (s, 3H), 1.21 (d, $J = 6.4$ Hz, 3H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz) : δ 166.5, 152.4, 141.2, 140.7, 133.3, 130.4, 128.8, 128.6, 128.5, 128.3, 127.6, 126.7, 126.6, 118.5, 85.1, 73.1, 56.8, 47.9, 23.6, 17.1 ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF): m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{26}\text{O}_2$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 382.1933, found: 382.1933.

I-(5-benzhydryl-2-methyl-4-phenylfuran-3-yl)ethanone (**4a**): Yield: 103.1 mg (80%) as yellow liquid; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz): δ 7.44-7.40 (m, 5H), 7.33-7.28 (m, 5H), 7.27 (t, $J = 7$ Hz, 2H), 7.18 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 3H), 5.23 (s, 1H), 2.58 (s, 3H), 1.94 (s, 3H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 MHz) : δ 195.9, 157.7, 150.1, 141.6, 133.3, 132.6, 130.1, 129.7, 128.7, 128.6, 128.4, 128.4, 128.3, 128.0, 127.8, 126.6, 124.0, 122.9, 122.5, 47.8, 30.7, 14.5 ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF): m/z calcd for : $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{22}\text{O}_2$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 367.1700, found: 367.1701.

I-(5-isopropyl-2-methyl-4-phenylfuran-3-yl)ethanone (**4b**) : Yield: 119.5 mg (79%) as yellow liquid; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 7.50-7.47 (m, 2H), 7.27-7.18 (m, 1H), 7.09 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 5.36 (s, 1H), 2.35 (s, 3H), 2.27 (s, 3H), 1.40 (s, 6H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz) : δ 193.3, 164.2, 163.1, 135.1, 128.3, 127.9, 125.9, 123.4, 99.4, 47.9, 30.7, 28.4, 15.7 ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF): m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}_2$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 243.1387, found: 243.1389.

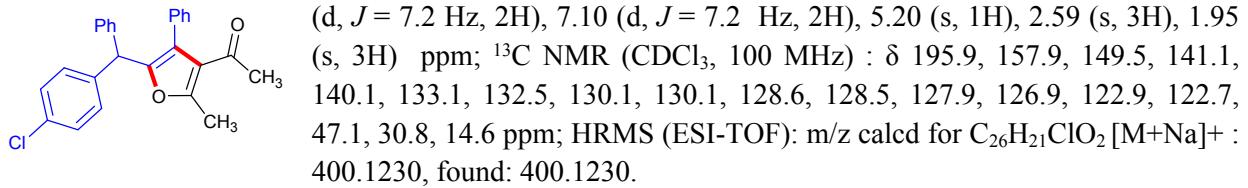
I-(2-methyl-4-phenyl-5-(1-phenylethyl)furan-3-yl)ethanone (**4c**): Yield: 108.1mg (79%) as yellow liquid; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 7.50 (dd, $J_1 = 1.2$ Hz, $J_2 = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.38-7.34 (m, 3H), 7.32 (t, $J = 6$ Hz, 2H), 7.30-7.25 (m, 2H), 7.17 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 5.19 (s, 1H), 2.59 (s, 3H), 1.96 (s, 3H), 1.93 (s, 3H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz) : δ 194.1, 164.8, 163.8, 144.8, 134.7, 128.5, 128.3, 128.1, 126.8, 126.4, 126.2, 123.2, 102.4, 54.2, 29.9, 26.6, 15.3 ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF): m/z calcd for : $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}_2$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 305.1543, found: 305.1543.

I-(5-(1-cyclopropylethyl)-2-methyl-4-phenylfuran-3-yl)ethanone (**4d**): Yield: 113.05 mg (78%) as yellow liquid; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 7.71 (d, $J = 1.6$ Hz, 1H) 7.69 (d, $J = 3.2$ Hz, 1H) 7.58-7.32 (m, 2H), 7.32-7.20 (m, 1H), 5.33 (s, 1H), 2.44 (s, 3H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 1.51 (s, 3H), 0.60-0.57 (m, 1H), 0.47-0.43 (m, 1H), 0.35-0.31 (m, 1H), 0.09-0.02 (m, 2H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz) : δ 193.6, 163.1, 159.3, 145.1, 134.7, 131.7, 128.3, 128.3, 128.2, 127.7, 126.1, 126.1, 126.1, 123.4, 102.4, 51.4, 30.9, 24.5, 19.7, 15.6, 1.4, 1.3 ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF): m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}_2$ [$\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 291.1360, found: 291.1354.

I-(5-((4-fluorophenyl)(phenyl)methyl)-2-methyl-4-phenylfuran-3-yl)ethanone (**4e**) : Yield: 99.21 mg (78%) as yellow liquid; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 7.43-7.40 (m, 3H), 7.32-7.30 (m, 2H), 7.27 (t, $J = 2$ Hz, 3H), 7.16-7.10 (m, 4H), 6.99 (t, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 5.20 (s, 1H), 2.58 (s, 3H), 1.93 (s, 3H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 MHz) : δ 196.0, 162.7, 160.8, 157.9, 149.9, 141.5, 137.4, 137.4, 133.3, 130.4, 130.3, 130.1,

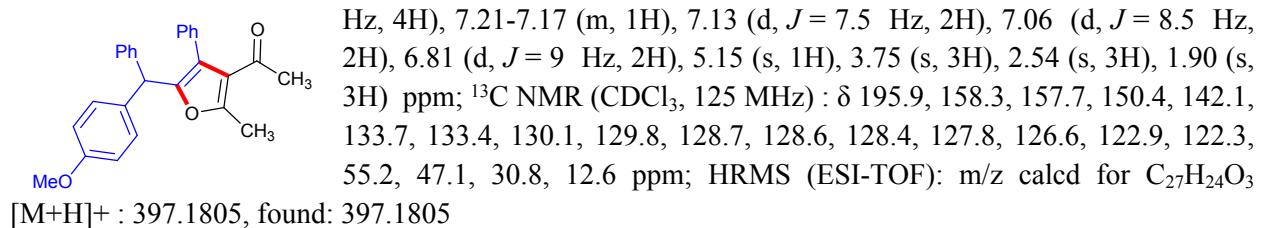
128.7, 128.6, 128.0, 126.9, 123.0, 122.7, 115.4, 115.2, 47.2, 30.8, 14.7 ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF): m/z calcd for : C₂₆H₂₁FO₂ [M+H]⁺ : 385.1606, found: 385.1607.

I-(5-((4-chlorophenyl)(phenyl)methyl)-2-methyl-4-phenylfuran-3-yl)ethanone (**4f**): Yield: 98.14 mg (78%) as yellow liquid; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ 7.44 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 7.33-7.27 (m, 7H), 7.16

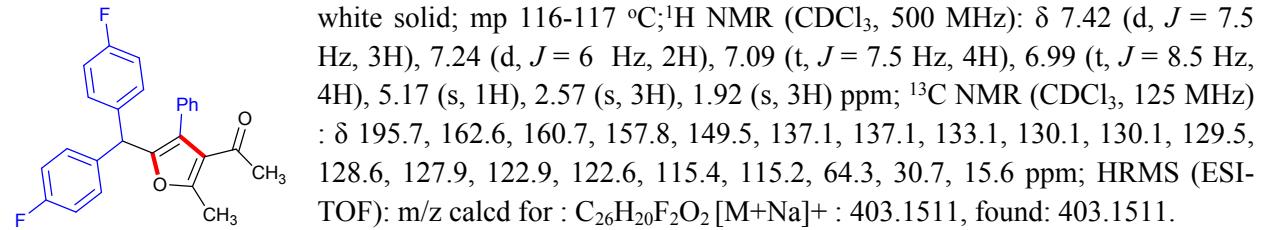


I-(5-((3,4-dichlorophenyl)(phenyl)methyl)-2-methyl-4-phenylfuran-3-yl)ethanone (**4g**): Yield: 95.69 mg (78%) as yellow liquid; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ 7.43-7.41 (m, 3H), 7.36-7.29 (m, 3H), 7.28-7.21 (m, 4H), 7.15-6.98 (m, 3H), 5.16 (s, 1H), 2.58 (s, 3H), 1.93 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) : δ 195.7, 158.1, 148.8, 141.8, 140.4, 132.9, 132.4, 130.8, 130.6, 130.3, 129.9, 129.6, 128.7, 128.7, 128.6, 128.4, 128.4, 128.3, 128.1, 128.1, 127.1, 123.1, 122.9, 47.1, 30.7, 15.2, 14.6 ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF): m/z calcd for C₂₆H₂₀Cl₂O₂ [M+Na]⁺ : 435.0920, found: 435.0920.

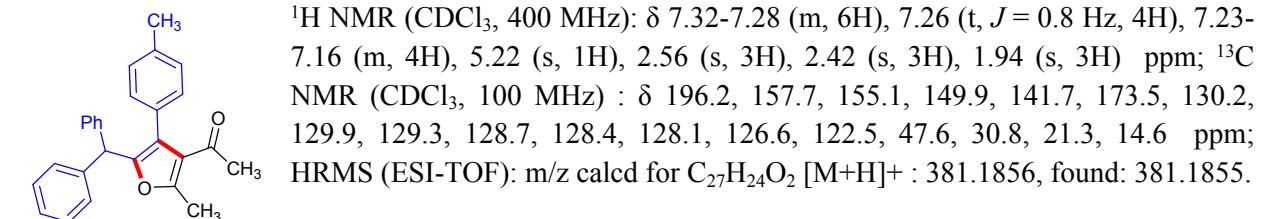
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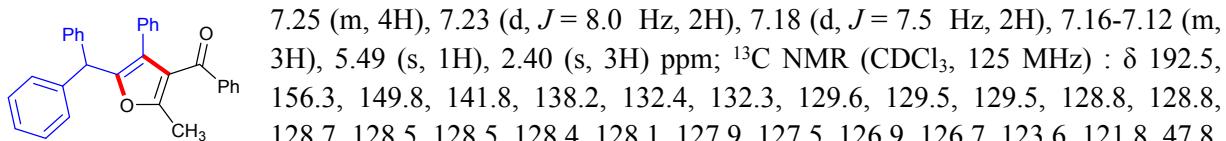
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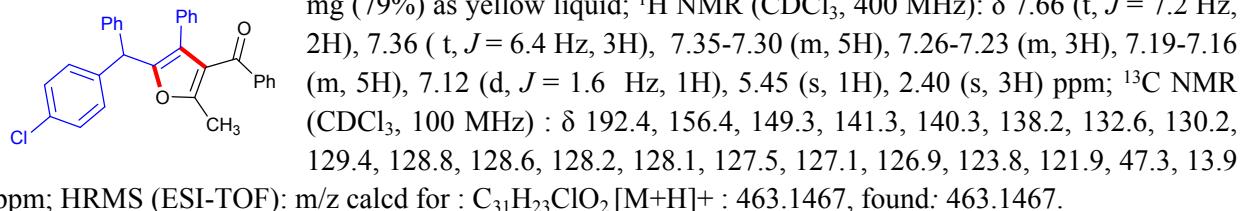
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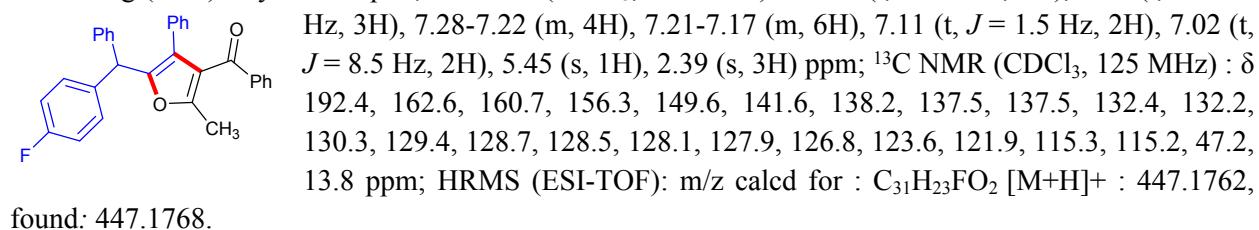
(5-benzhydryl-2-methyl-4-phenylfuran-3-yl)(phenyl)methanone (4k): Yield: 117.59 mg (78%) as yellow solid; mp 122-123 °C; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz): δ 7.67 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.39-7.28 (m, 8H), 7.28-



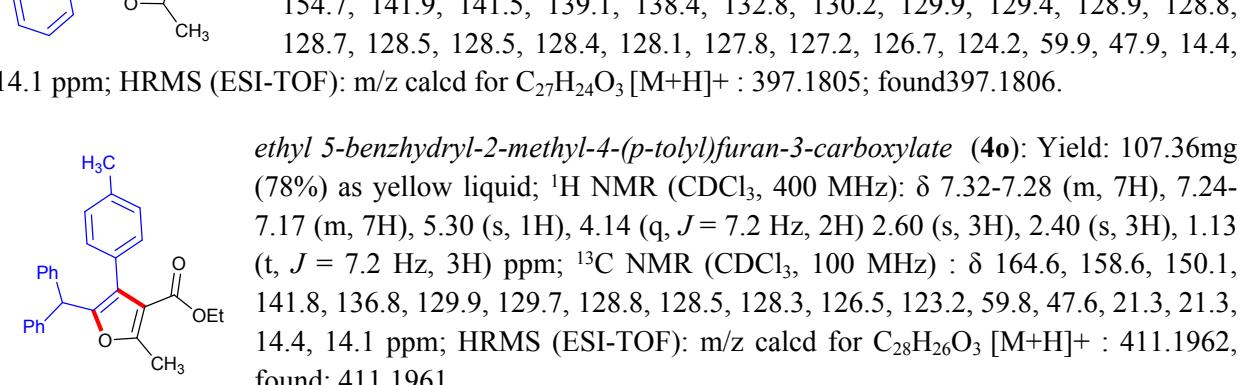
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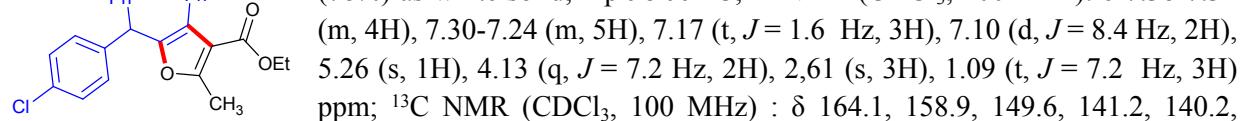
(5-((4-fluorophenyl)(phenyl)methyl)-2-methyl-4-phenylfuran-3-yl)(phenyl)methanone (4m): Yield: 116.66 mg (79%) as yellow liquid; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz): δ 7.67 (t, $J = 1$ Hz, 2H), 7.36 (t, $J = 8.0$



ethyl 5-benzhydryl-2-methyl-4-phenylfuran-3-carboxylate (4n): Yield: 110.20 mg (79%) as white solid; mp 120-121 °C; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz): δ 7.90 (d, $J = 8$ Hz, 1H), 7.39-7.32 (m, 5H) 7.28-7.21 (m, 5H), 7.18-7.10 (m, 4H), 5.26 (s, 1H), 4.08 (q, $J = 7$ Hz, 2H) 2.57 (s, 3H), 1.05 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 3H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 MHz) : δ 192.8, 164.3, 158.8, 154.7, 141.9, 141.5, 139.1, 138.4, 132.8, 130.2, 129.9, 129.4, 128.9, 128.8, 128.7, 128.5, 128.5, 128.4, 128.1, 127.8, 127.2, 126.7, 124.2, 59.9, 47.9, 14.4, 14.1 ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF): m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{24}\text{O}_3$ [M+H]⁺ : 397.1805; found 397.1806.



ethyl 5-((4-chlorophenyl)(phenyl)methyl)-2-methyl-4-phenylfuran-3-carboxylate (4p): Yield: 105.50 mg (78%) as white solid; mp 98-99 °C; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 7.38-7.32



132.7, 132.5, 130.1, 130.1, 128.7, 128.5, 127.8, 127.3, 126.8, 123.5, 113.8, 59.8, 47.1, 14.3, 13.9 ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF): m/z calcd for $C_{27}H_{23}ClO_3$ [M+H]⁺ : 431.1416, found: 431.1416.

ethyl 5-((3,4-dichlorophenyl)(phenyl)methyl)-2-methyl-4-phenylfuran-3-carboxylate (4q): Yield: 102.54 mg (78%) as yellow liquid; ¹H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 500 MHz): δ 7.45 (t, $J = 8$ Hz, 1H), 7.42-7.36 (m, 5H), 7.35-7.28 (m, 2H), 7.24-7.22 (m, 1H), 7.16-7.15 (m, 2H), 7.00-6.97 (m, 2H), 5.23 (s, 1H), 4.13 (q, $J = 5$ Hz, 2H), 2.62 (s, 3H), 1.09 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR ($CDCl_3$, 125 MHz) : δ 164.0, 159.0, 148.9, 142.0, 140.6, 132.4, 131.4, 130.6, 130.2, 130.0, 129.8, 129.0, 128.7, 128.6, 128.6, 128.6, 128.4, 128.2, 127.8, 127.4, 127.1, 124.5, 113.9, 59.9, 47.0, 14.4, 13.9 ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF): m/z calcd for $C_{27}H_{22}Cl_2O_3$ [M+H]⁺ : 465.1026, found: 465.1028.

methyl 5-((4-chlorophenyl)(phenyl)methyl)-2-methyl-4-phenylfuran-3-carboxylate (4r): Yield: 103.34 mg (79%) as white solid; mp 113-114 °C; ¹H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 400 MHz): δ 7.40-7.37 (m, 3H), 7.32 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.29-7.26 (m, 5H), 7.16 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.10 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 5.27 (s, 1H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 2.62 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR ($CDCl_3$, 100 MHz) : δ 164.5, 159.1, 149.7, 141.2, 140.2, 132.5, 132.5, 130.1, 129.9, 128.7, 128.5, 127.9, 127.3, 126.8, 123.5, 113.5, 51.1, 47.1, 14.4 ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF): m/z calcd for : $C_{26}H_{21}ClO_3$ [M+Na]⁺ : 417.1259, found: 417.1257.

IV. X-ray Data and Crystal Structures

X-ray data of Compound 3h:

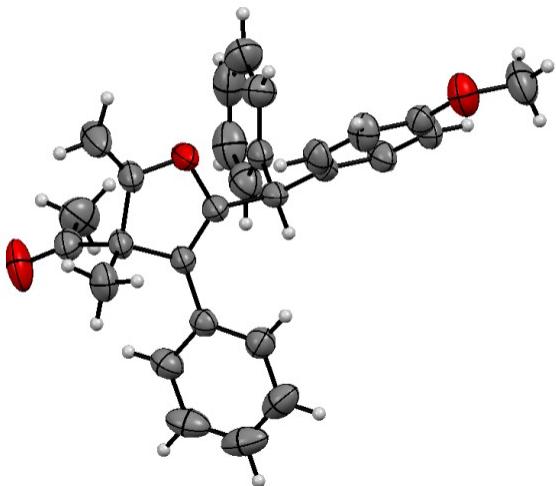


Figure S1. ORTEP representation of compound 3h and thermal ellipsoids are drawn with 50% probability.

Crystal data and structure refinement for 3h.

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Formula weight	410.49
Temperature	291 (2) K
Wavelength	0.71073 Å
Crystal system	'Triclinic'
Space group	P-1
Unit cell dimensions	a = 9.9166 (11) Å α = 106.883° (5). b = 10.0554 (13) Å β = 98.953 ° (5). c = 12.1593 (15) Å γ = 94.007 ° (5).
Volume	1137.6(2)
Z	2
Density (calculated)	1.198 Mg/m ³
Absorption coefficient	0.077 mm ⁻¹
F(000)	436.0
Crystal size	0.4 x 0.32 x 0.28 mm ³
Theta range for data collection	2.32 to 27.650 °.
Index ranges	-12<=h<=12,-13<=k<=13,-15<=l<=15
Reflections collected	5243
Independent reflections	2905 [R(int) = 0.0607]
Max. and min. transmission	0.971 and 0.973
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²
restraints / parameters	0 / 287

Goodness-of-fit on F ²	0.956
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0607, wR2 = 0.1611
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.1298, wR2 = 0.1322

X-ray data of Compound 4h:

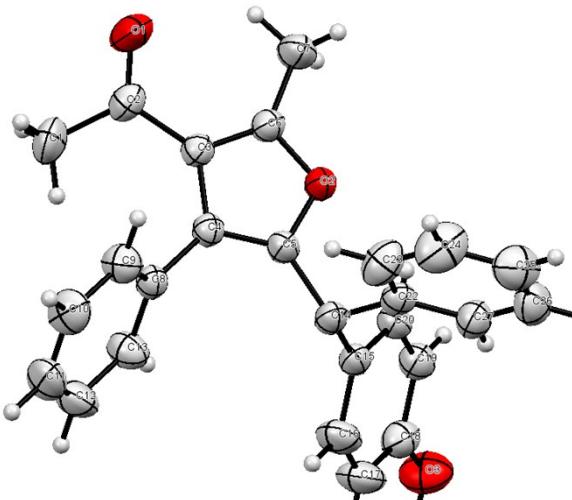


Figure S2. ORTEP representation of compound **4h** and thermal ellipsoids are drawn with 50% probability.

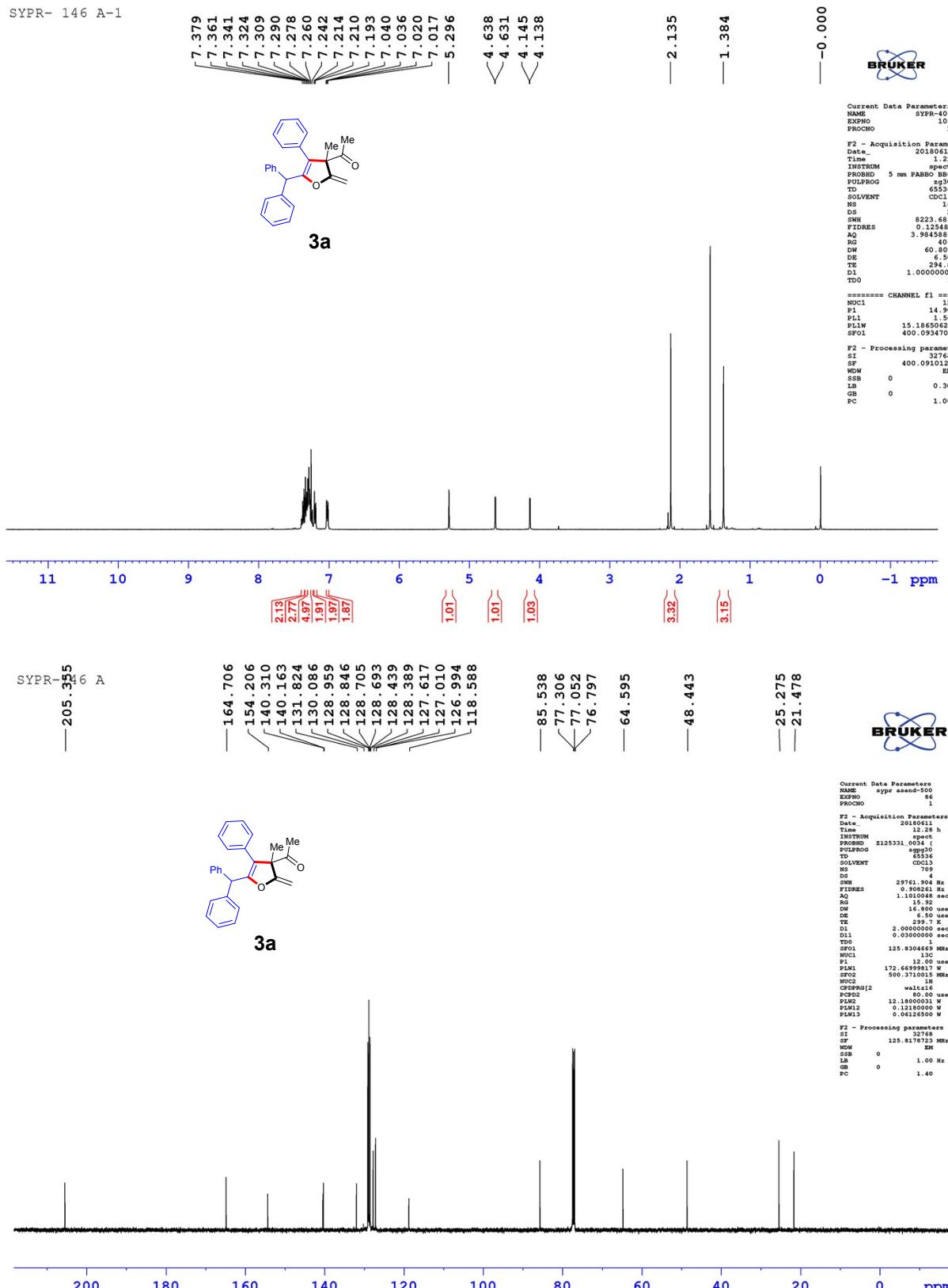
Crystal data and structure refinement for 4h.

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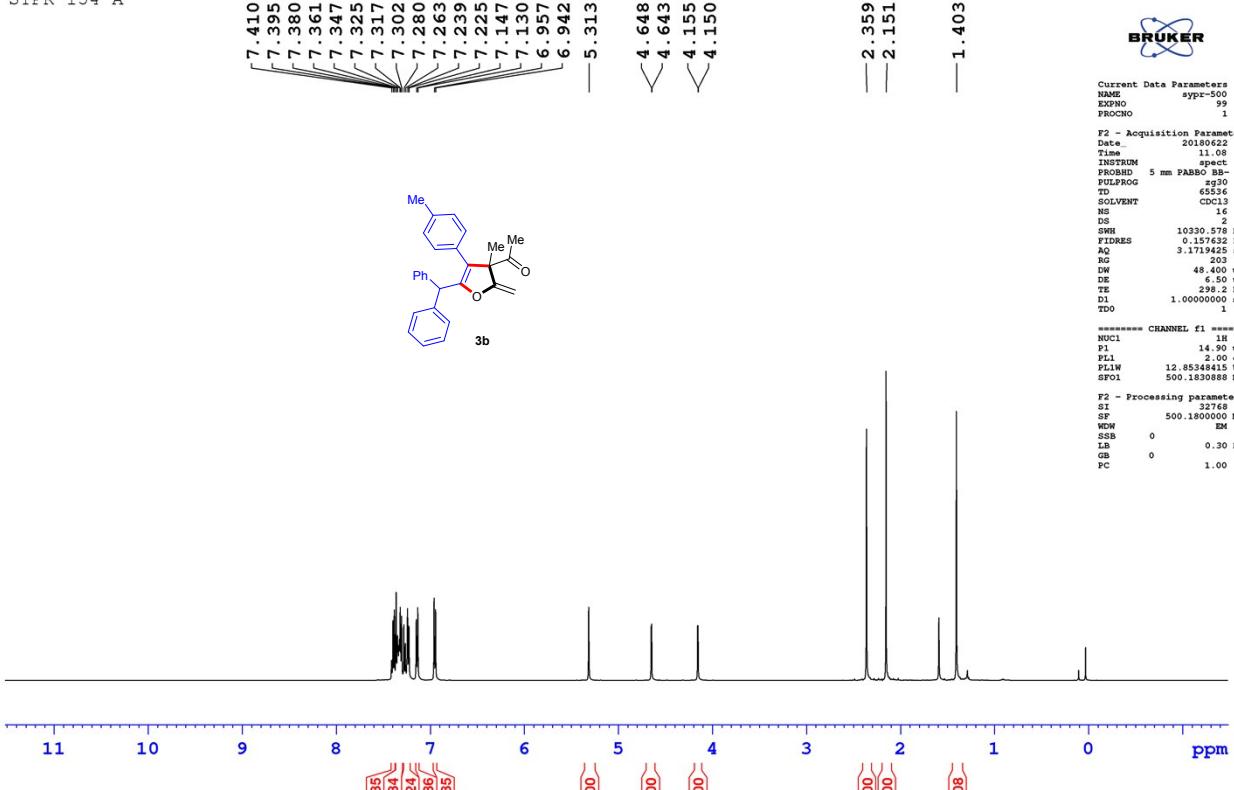
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Theta range for data collection	2.466 to 27.973 °.
Index ranges	-12<=h<=12,-12<=k<=12,-15<=l<=15
Reflections collected	5052
Independent reflections	3935 [R(int) = 0.0603]
Max. and min. transmission	0.970 and 0.983
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²
restraints / parameters	0 / 271
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.065
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0603, wR2 = 0.1658
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IV. Spectral Copies of Synthesized Compounds

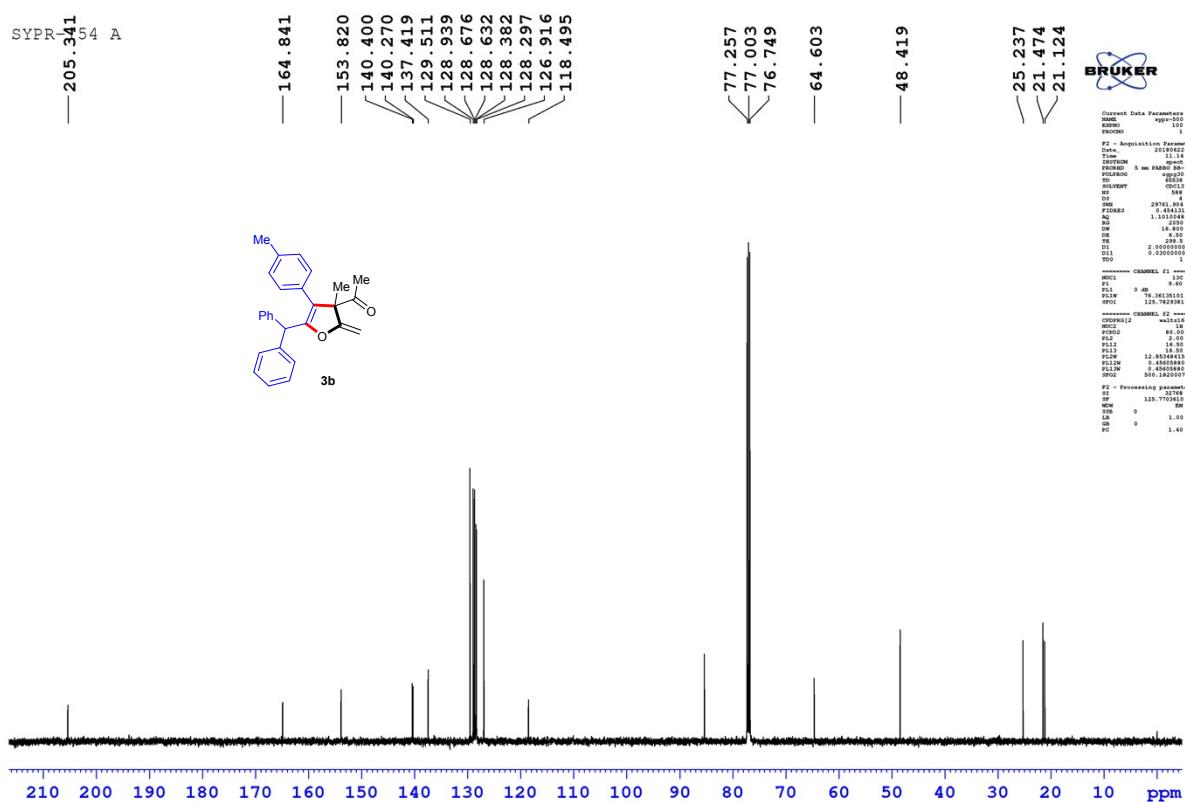
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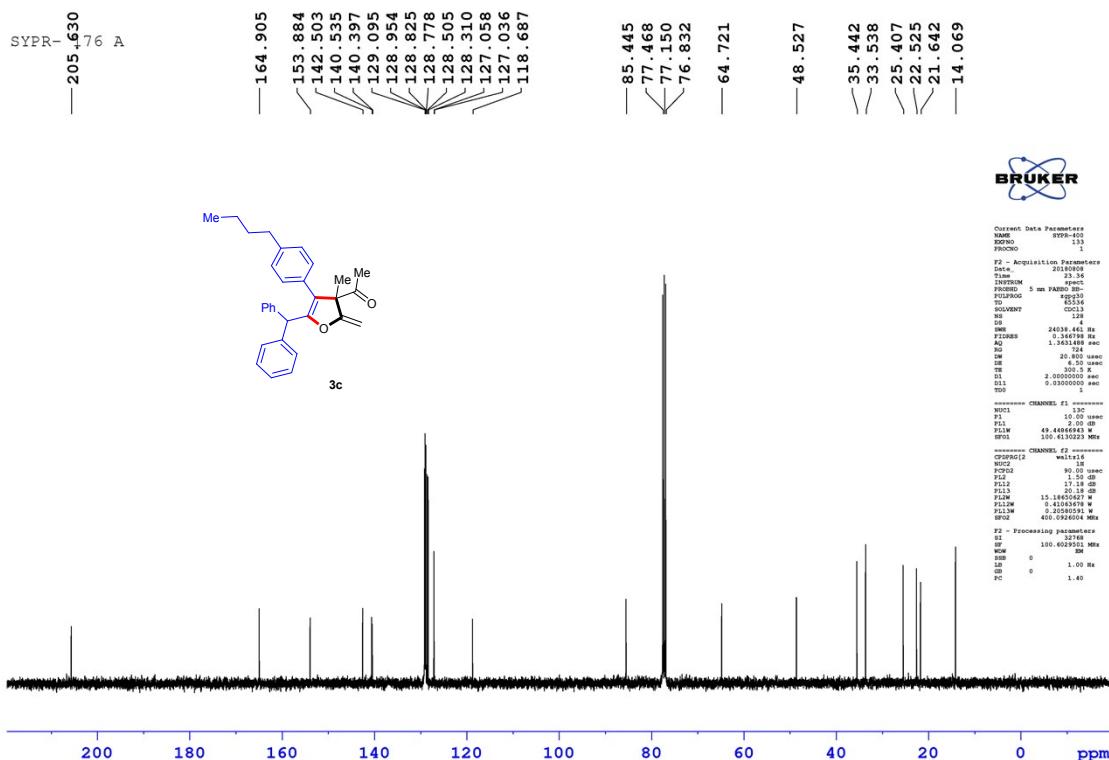
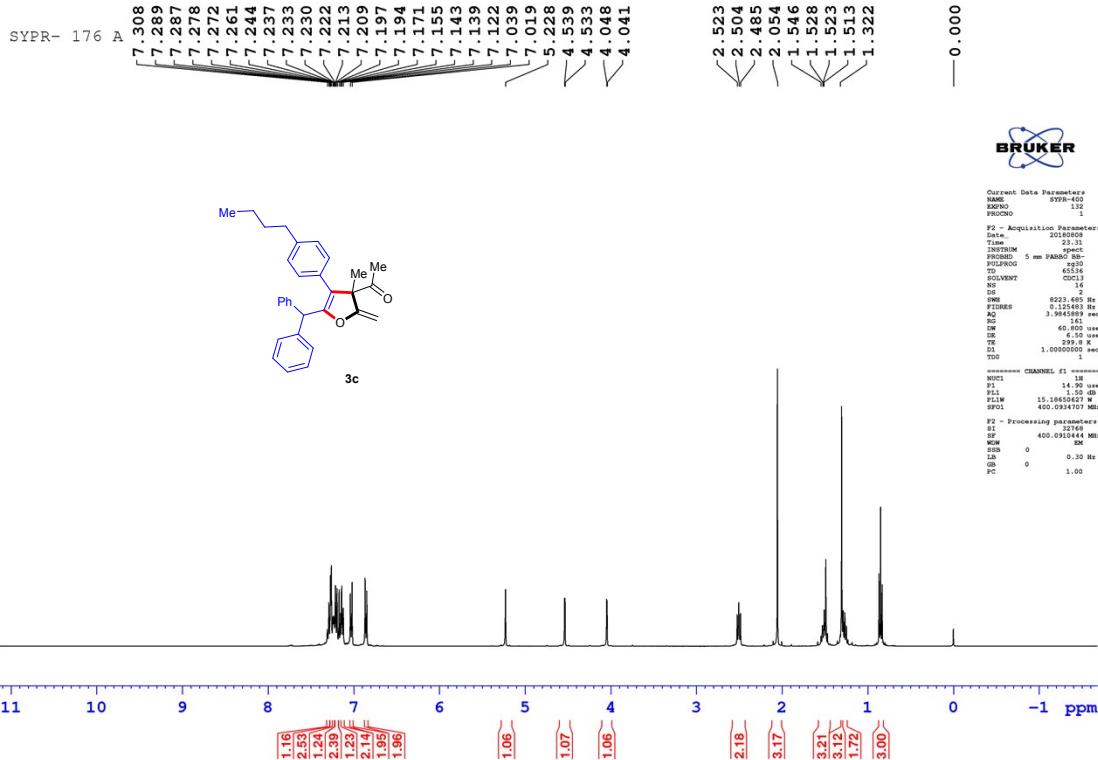


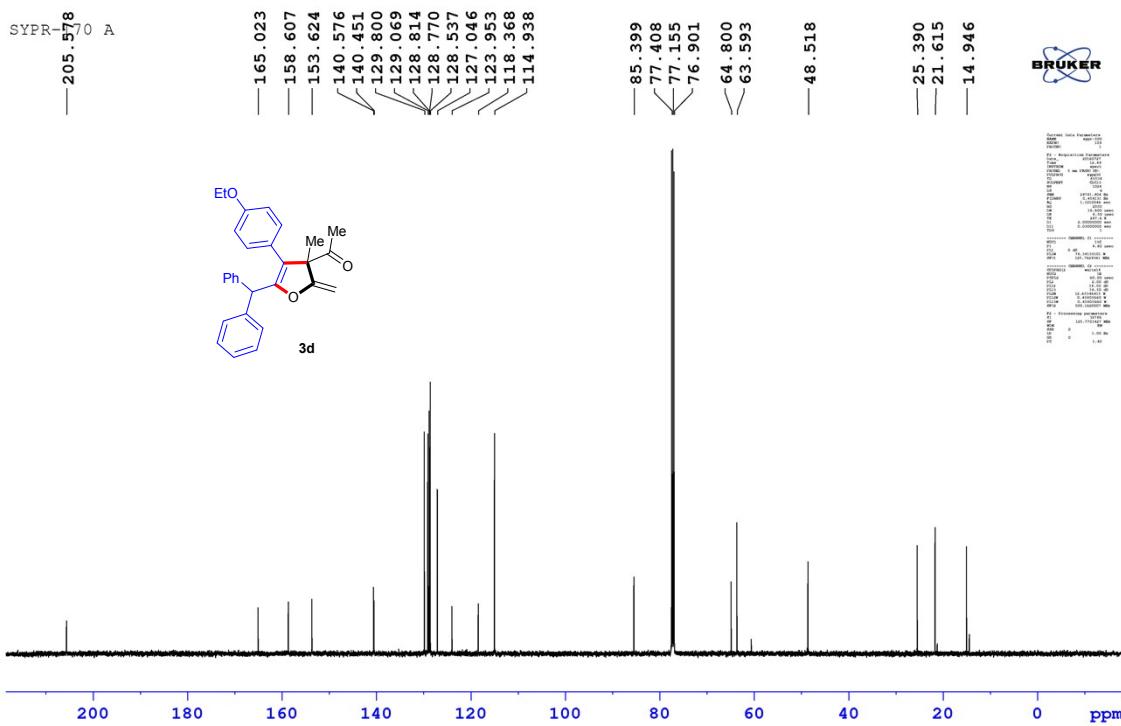
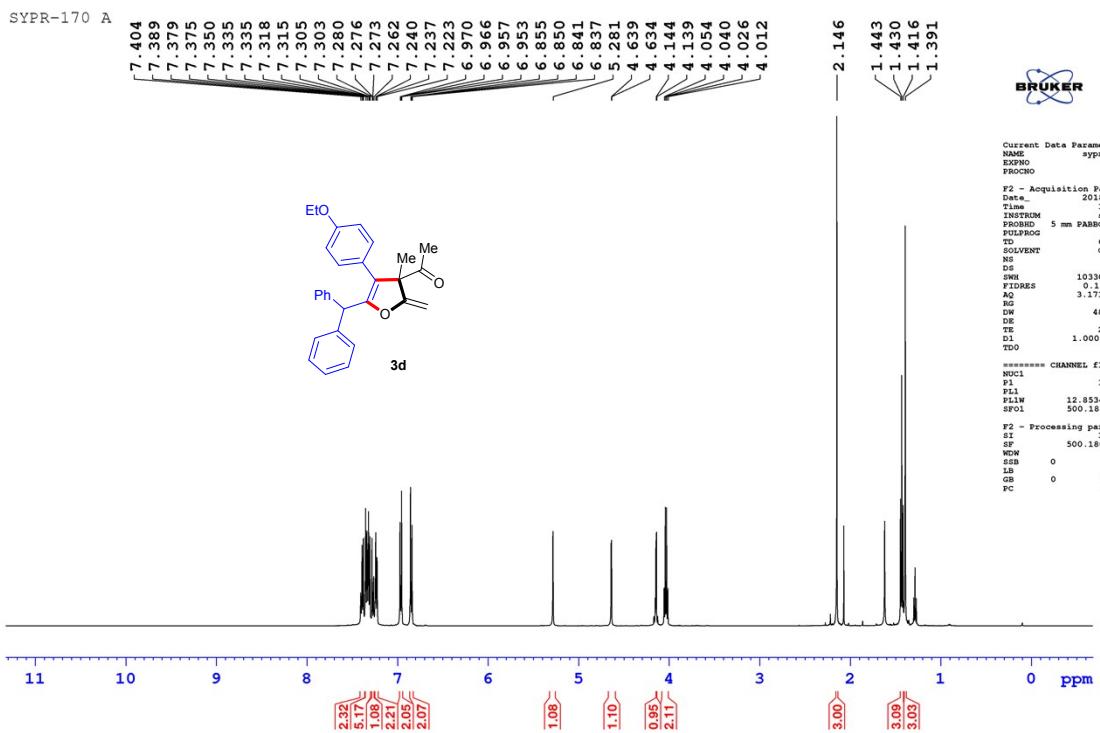
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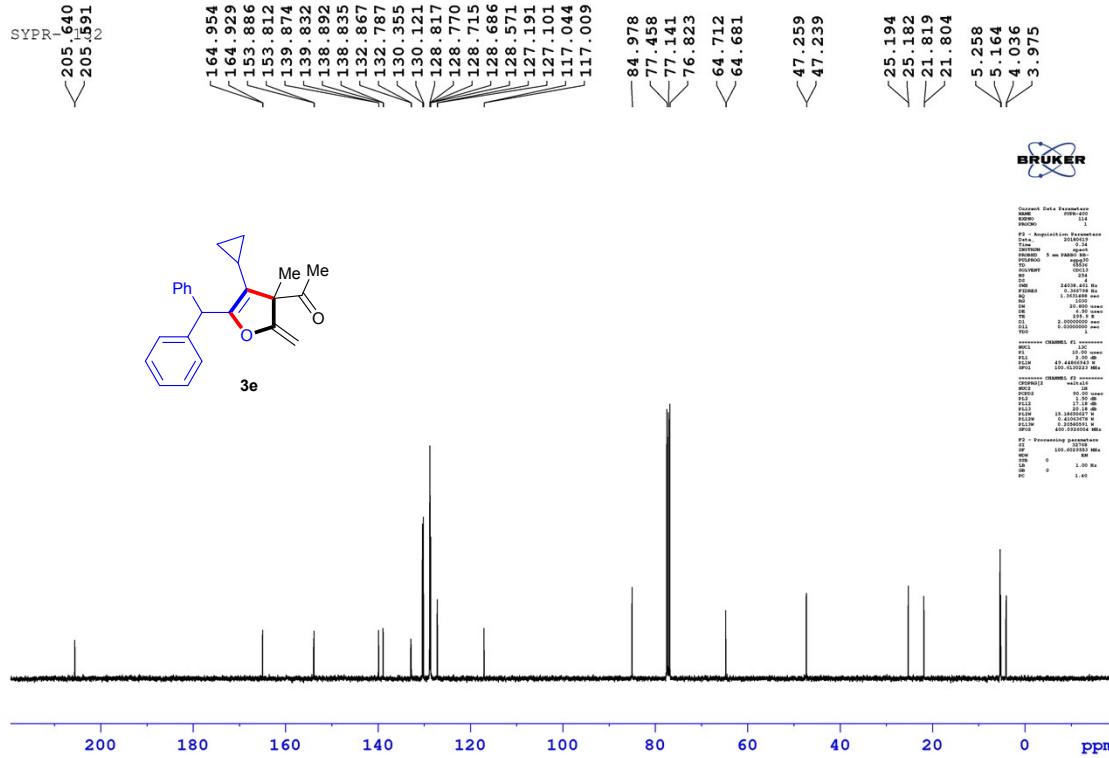
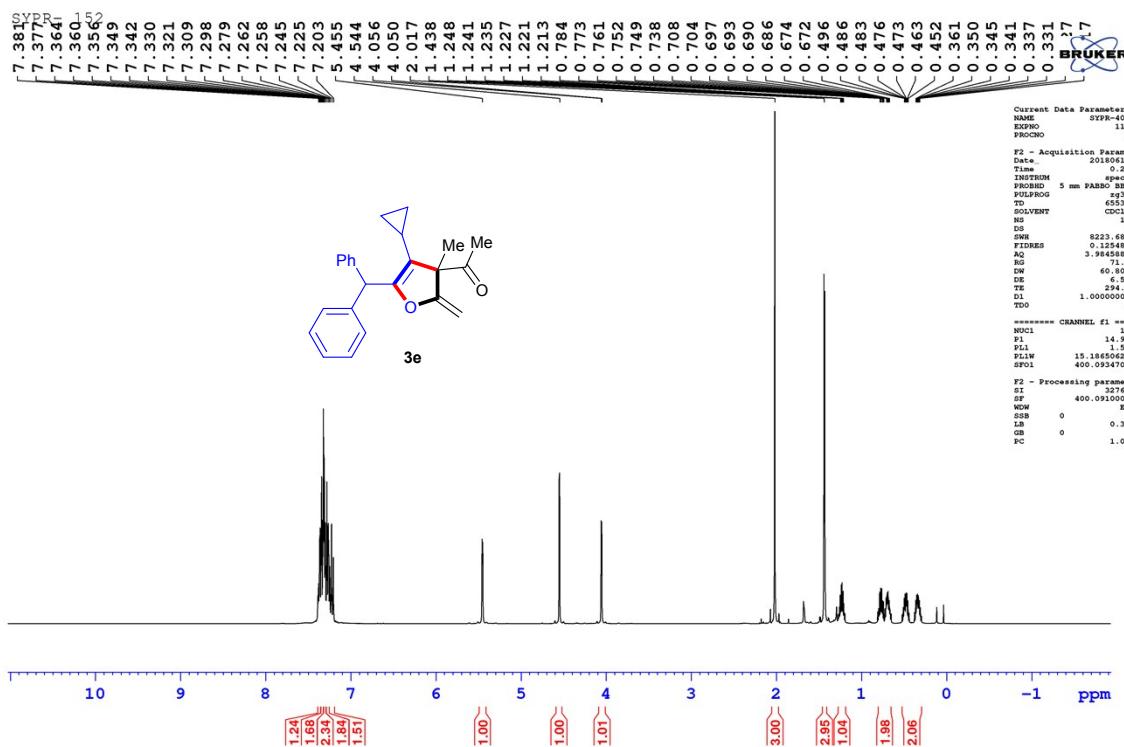


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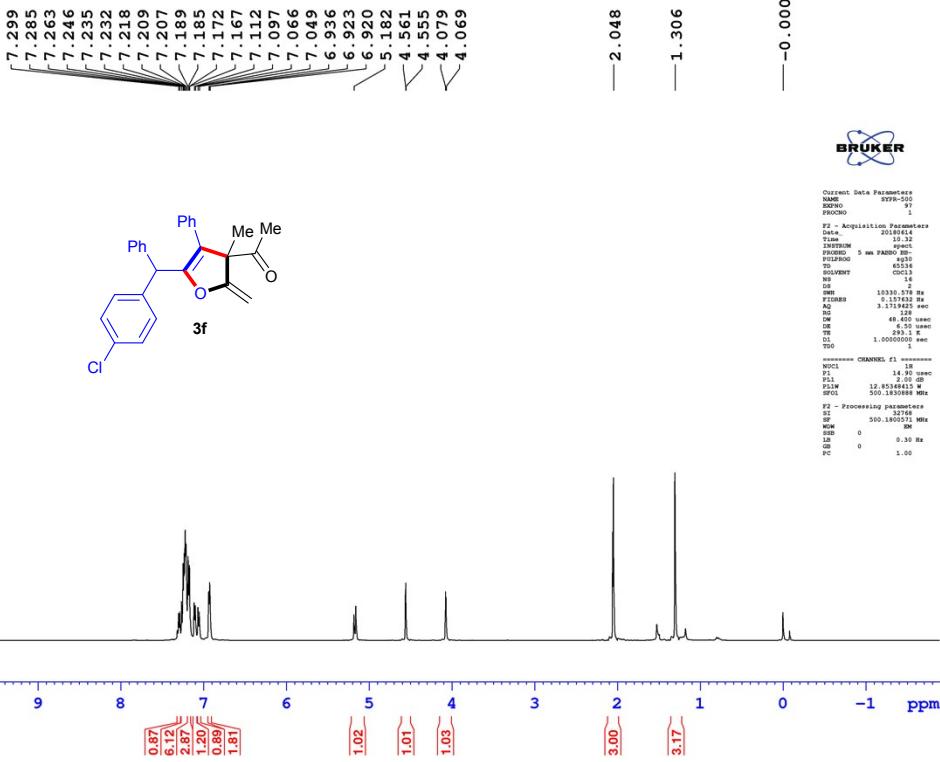




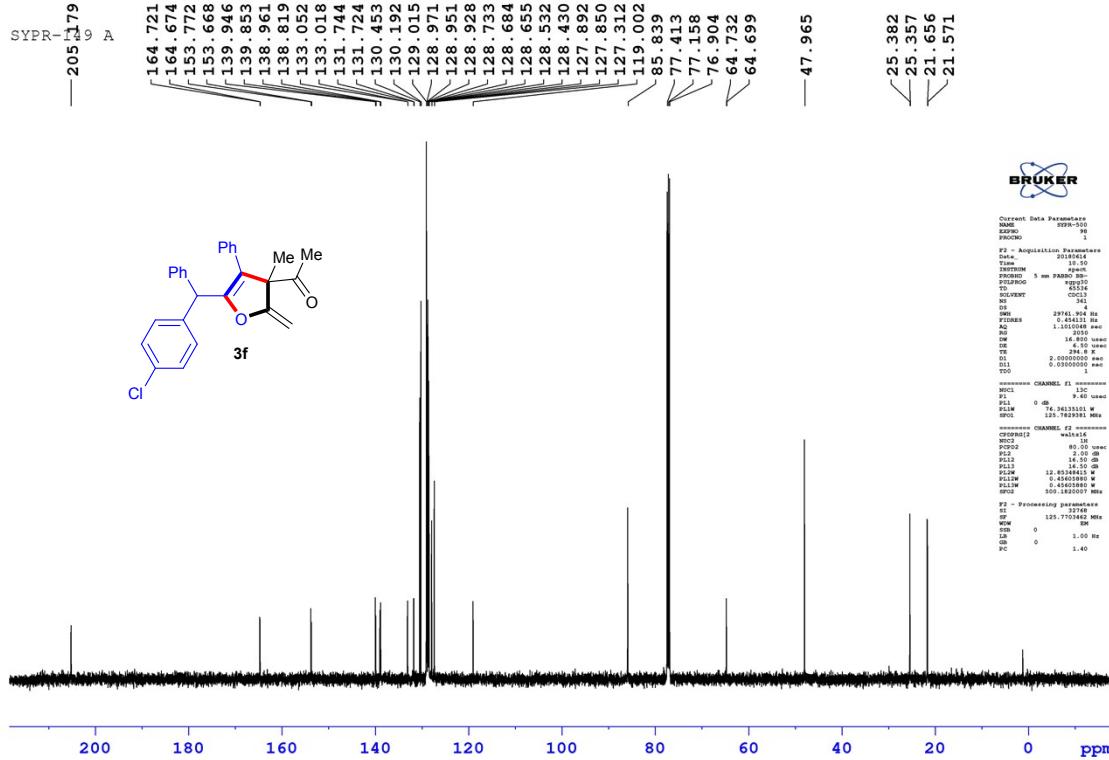


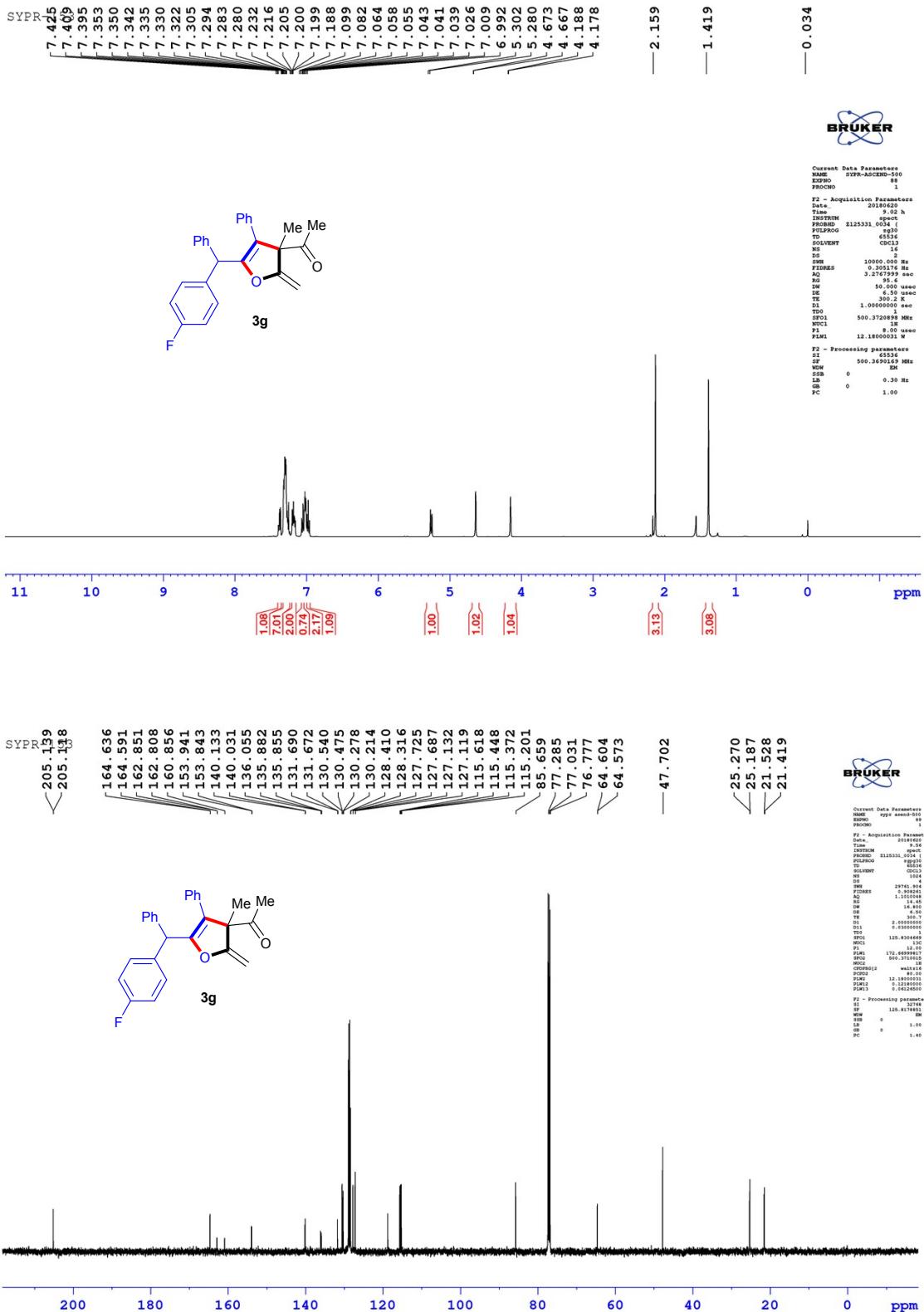


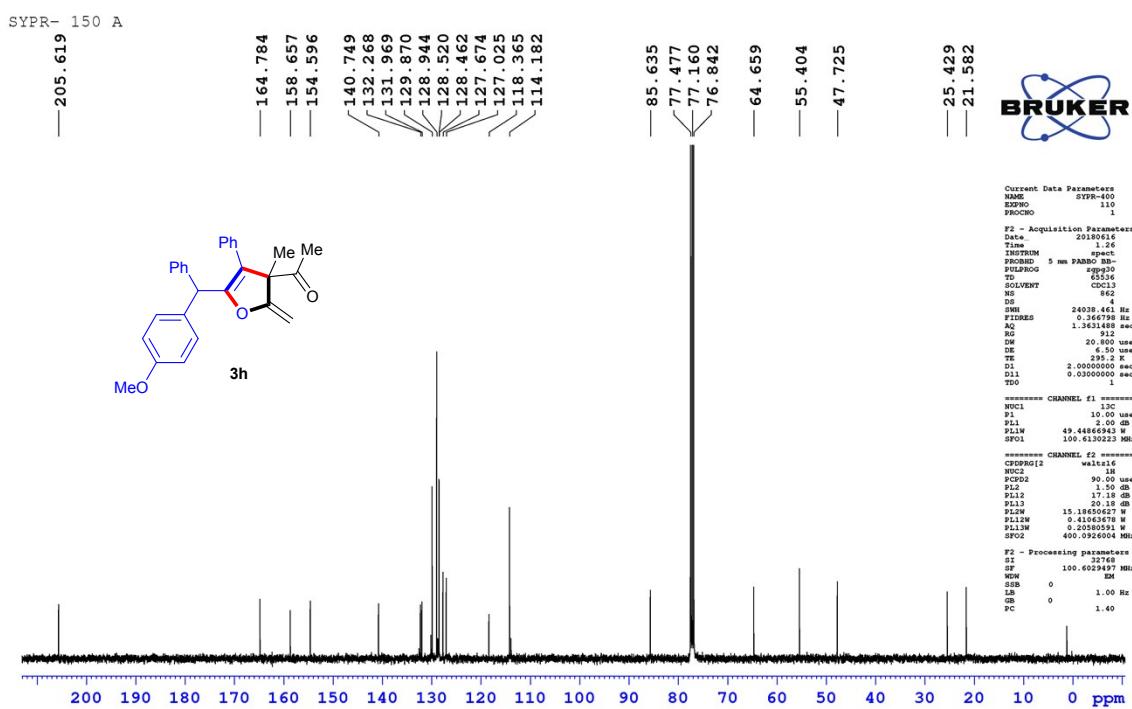
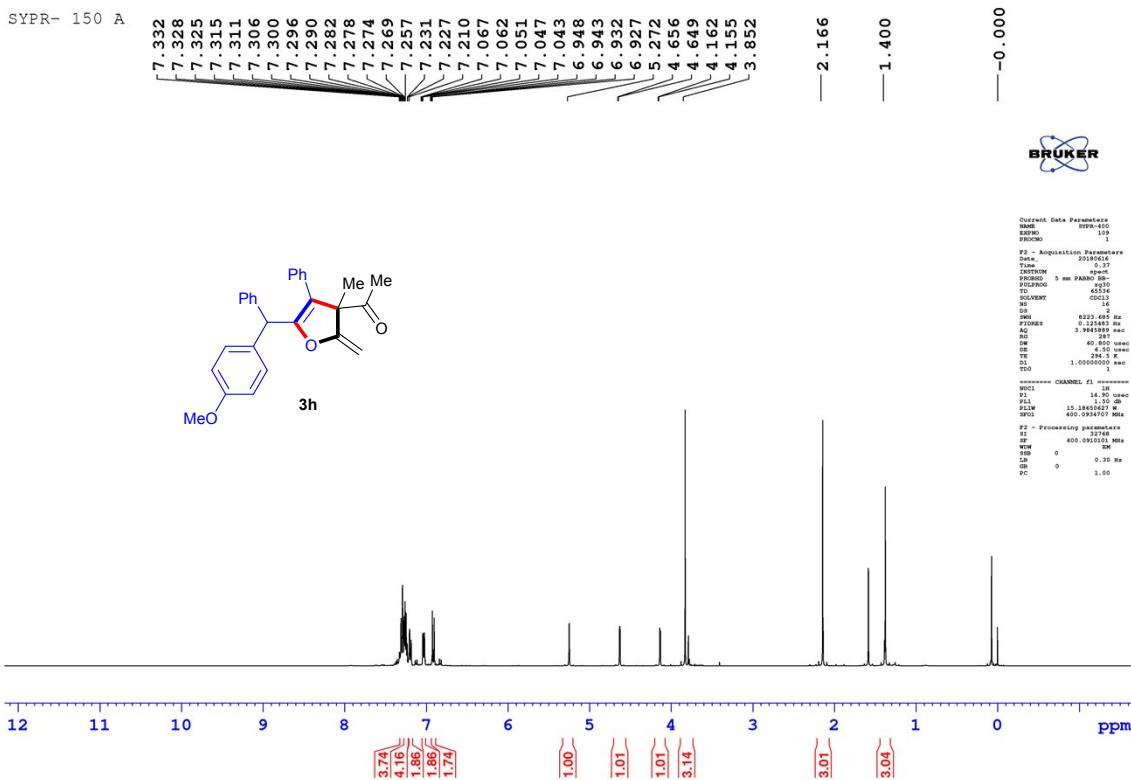
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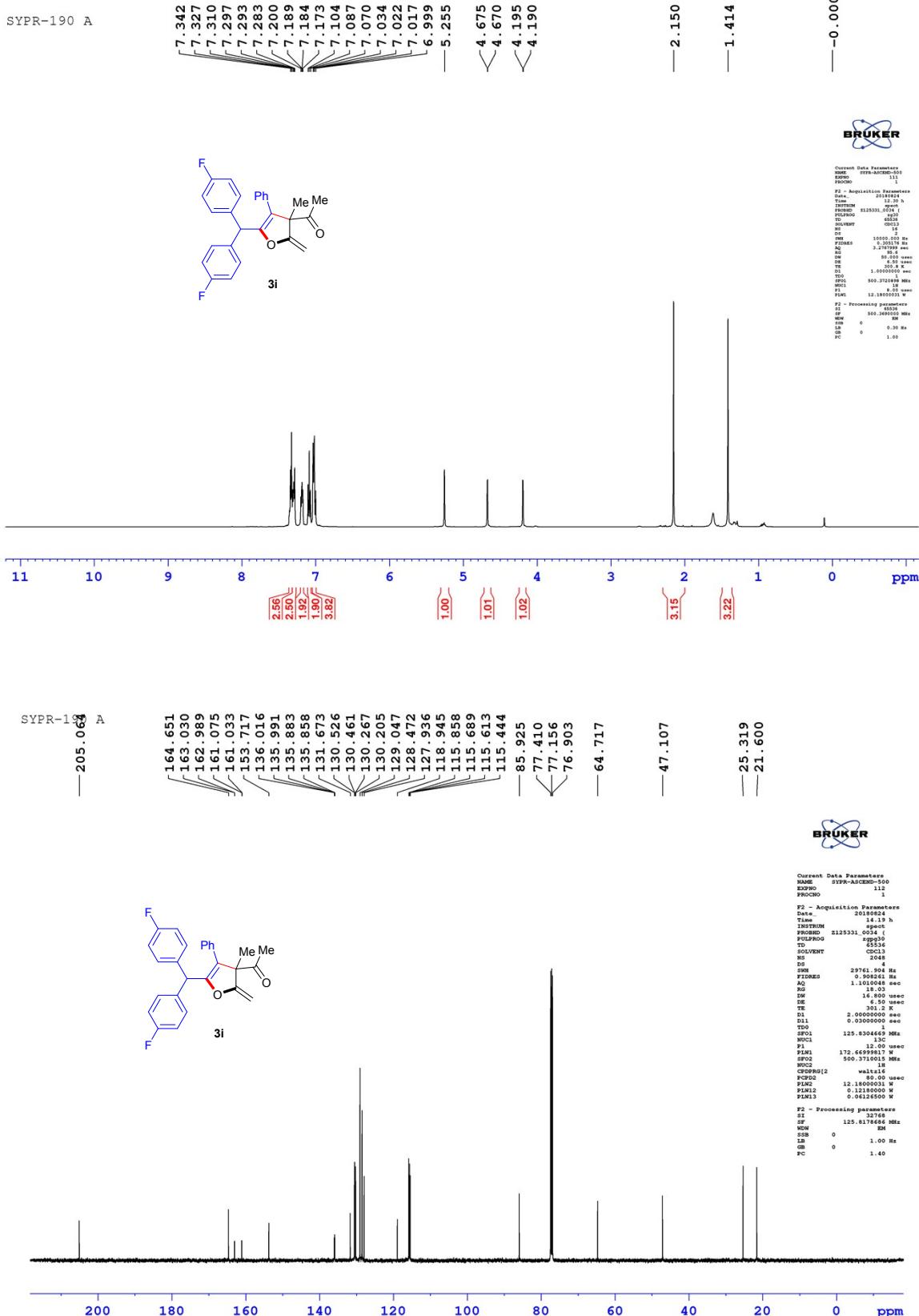


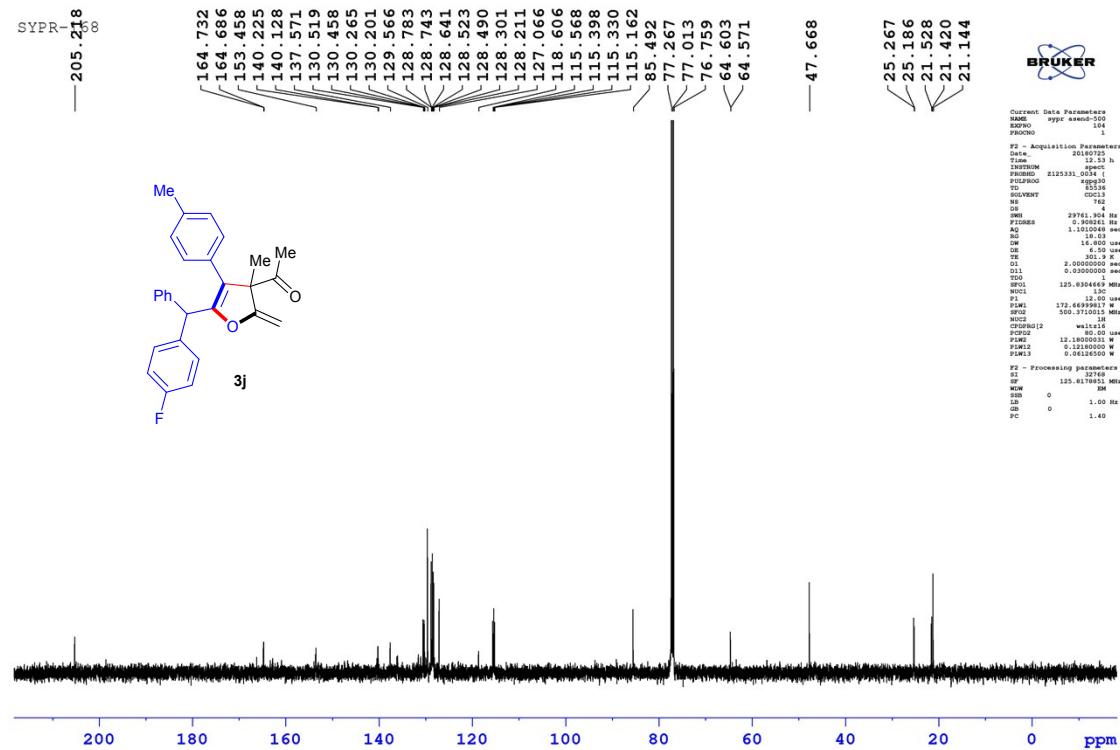
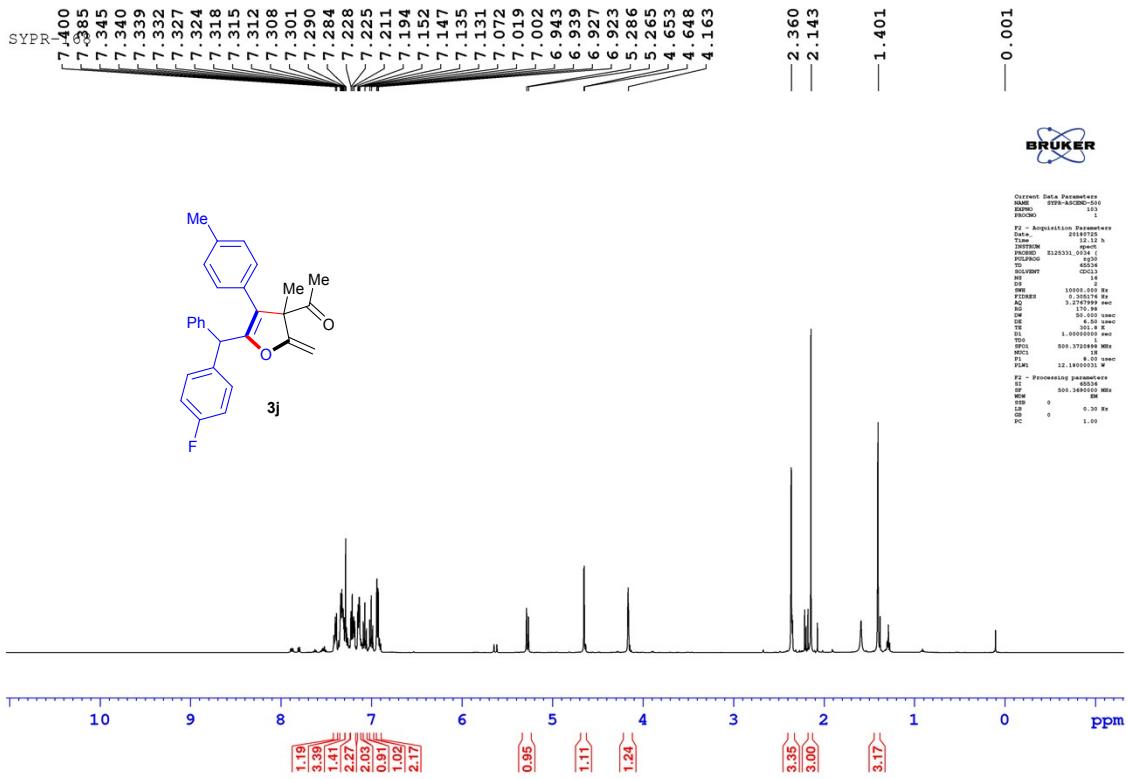
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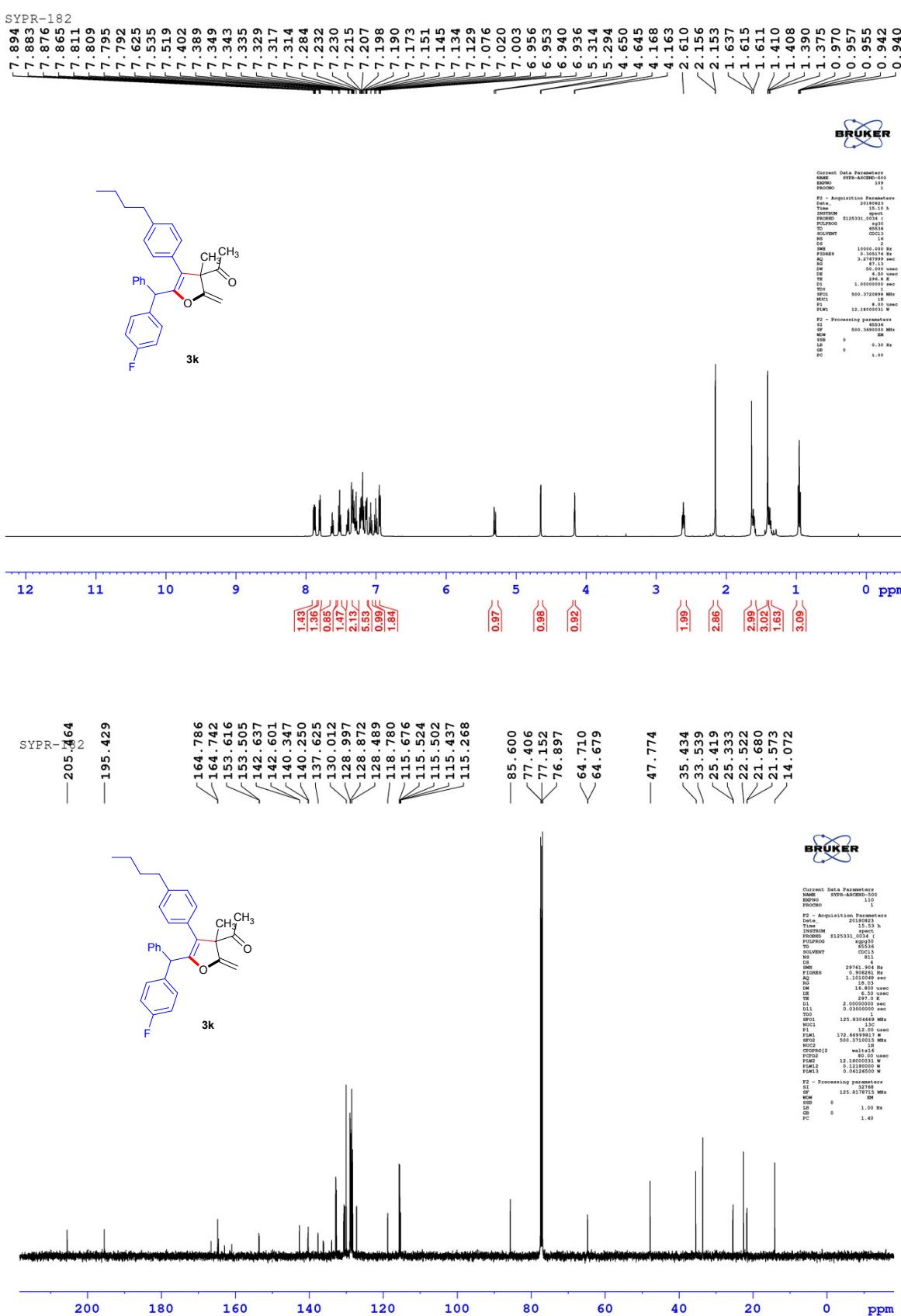




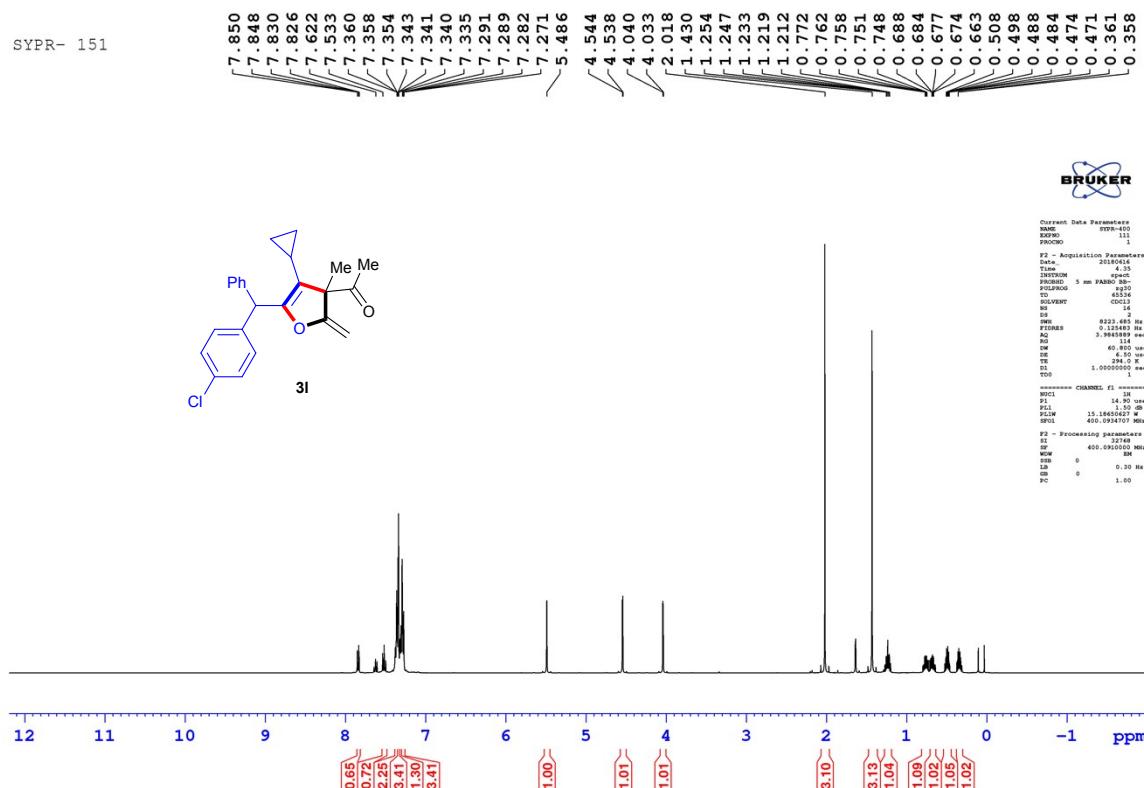




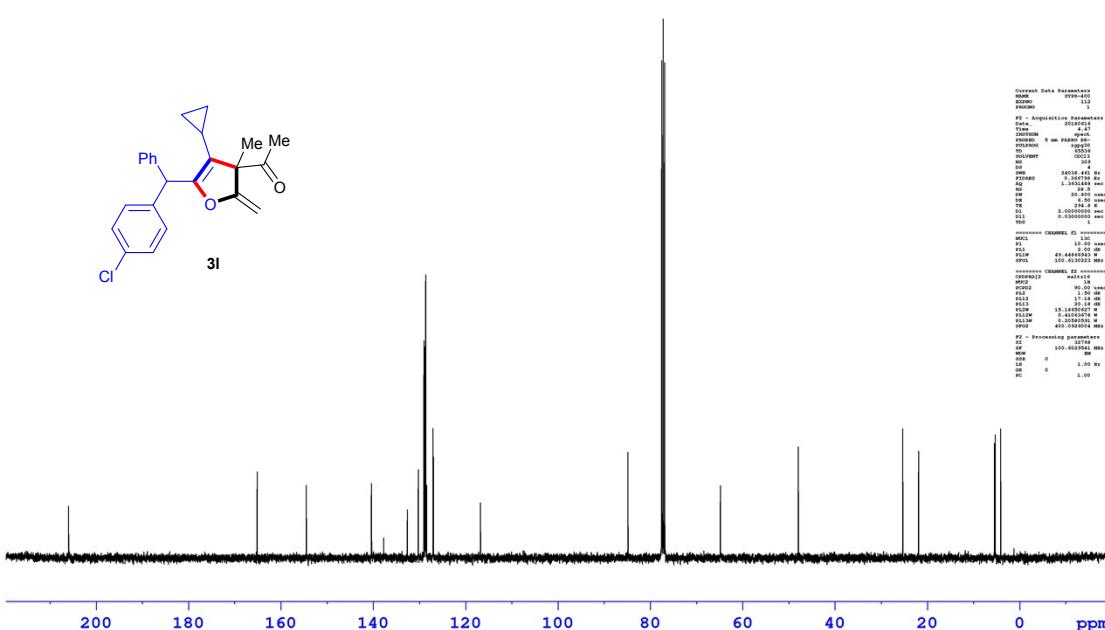
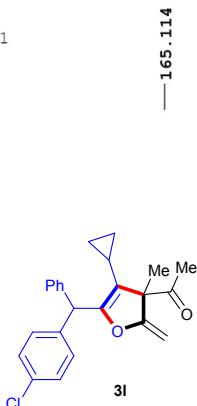


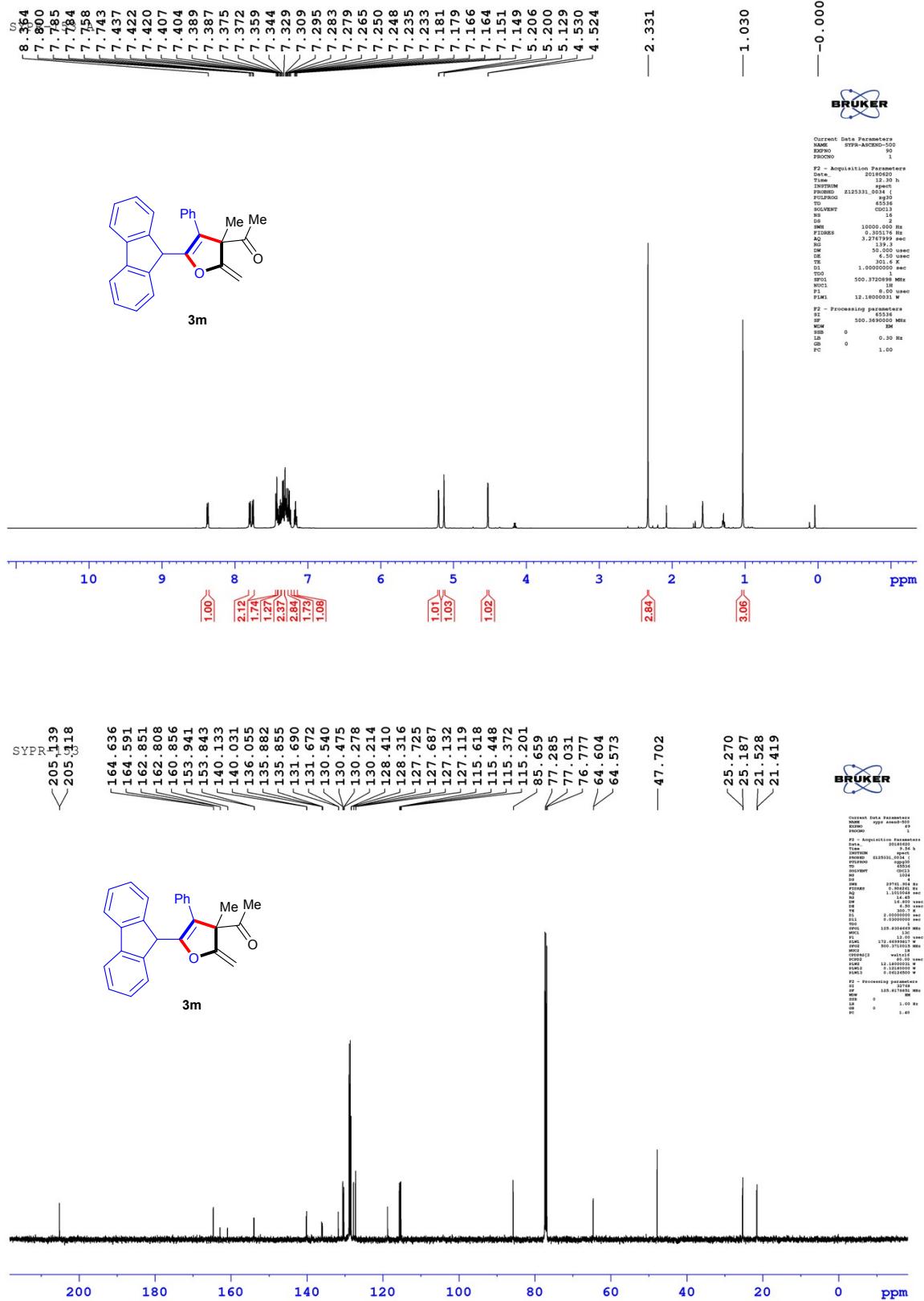


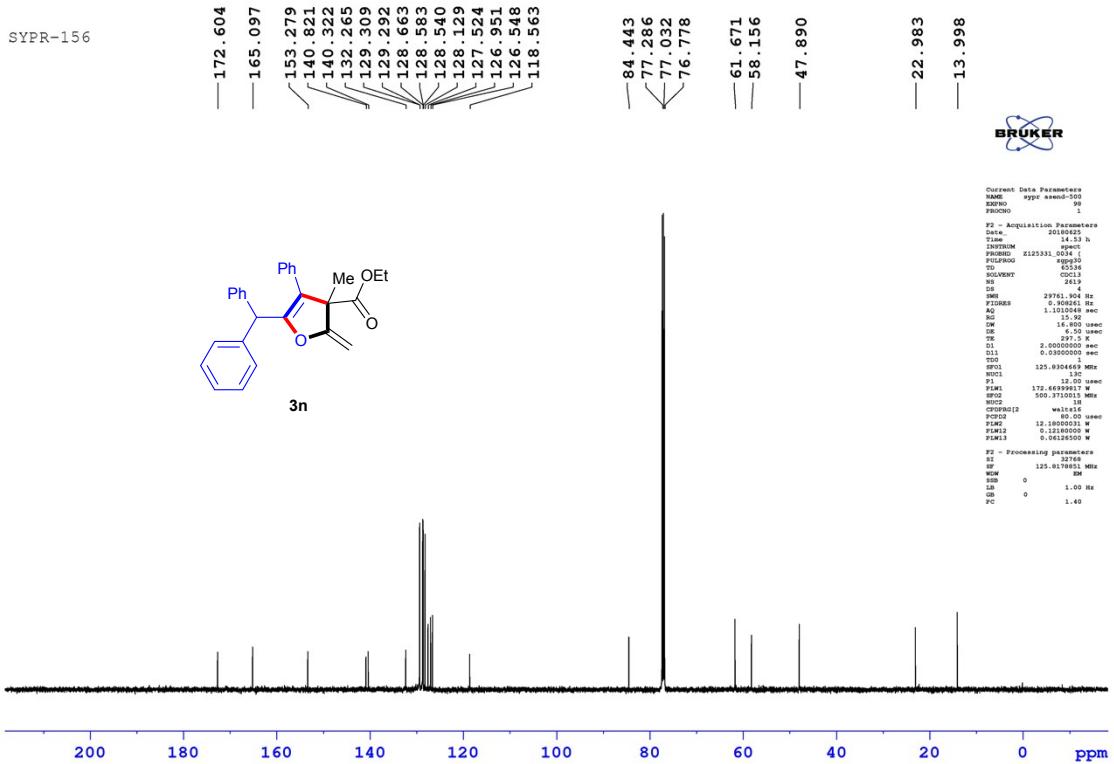
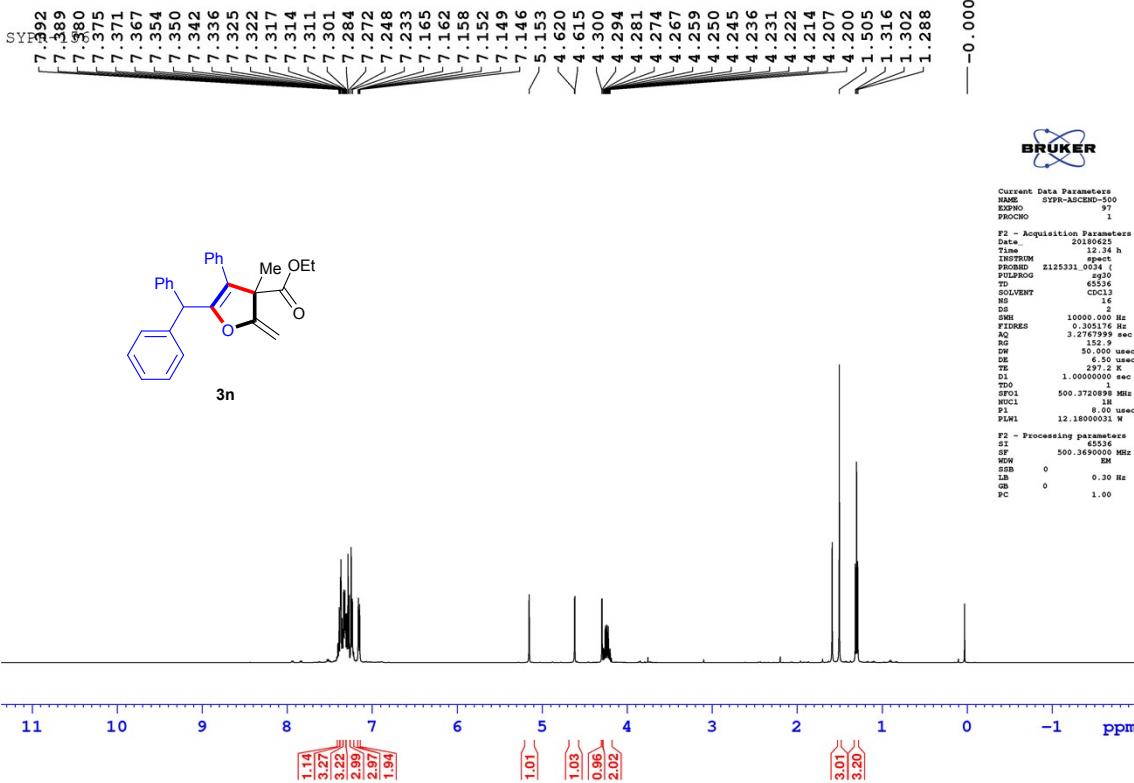
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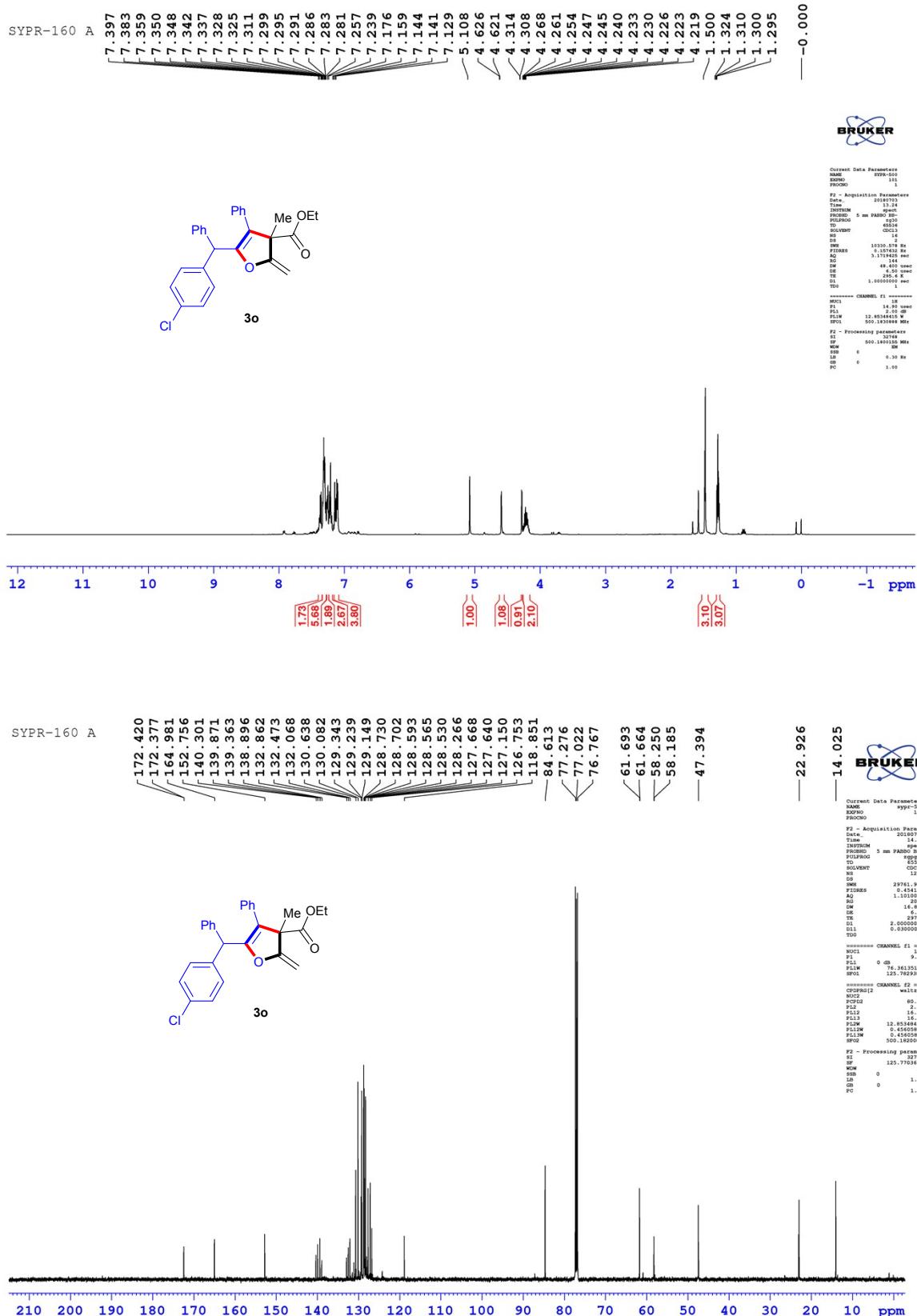


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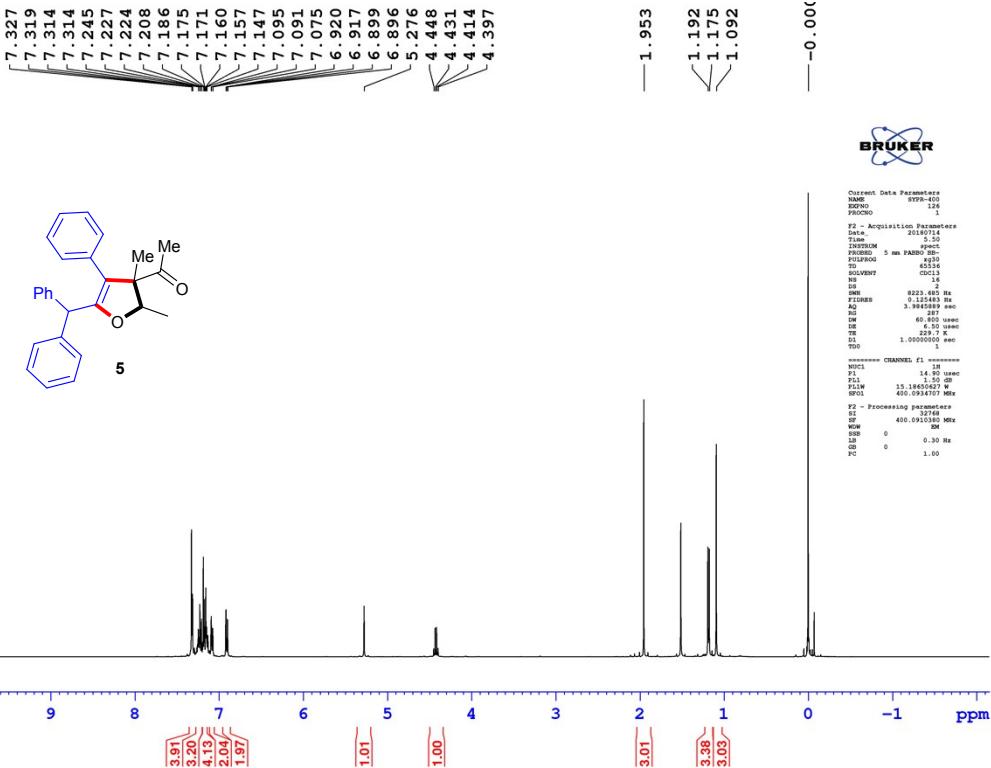




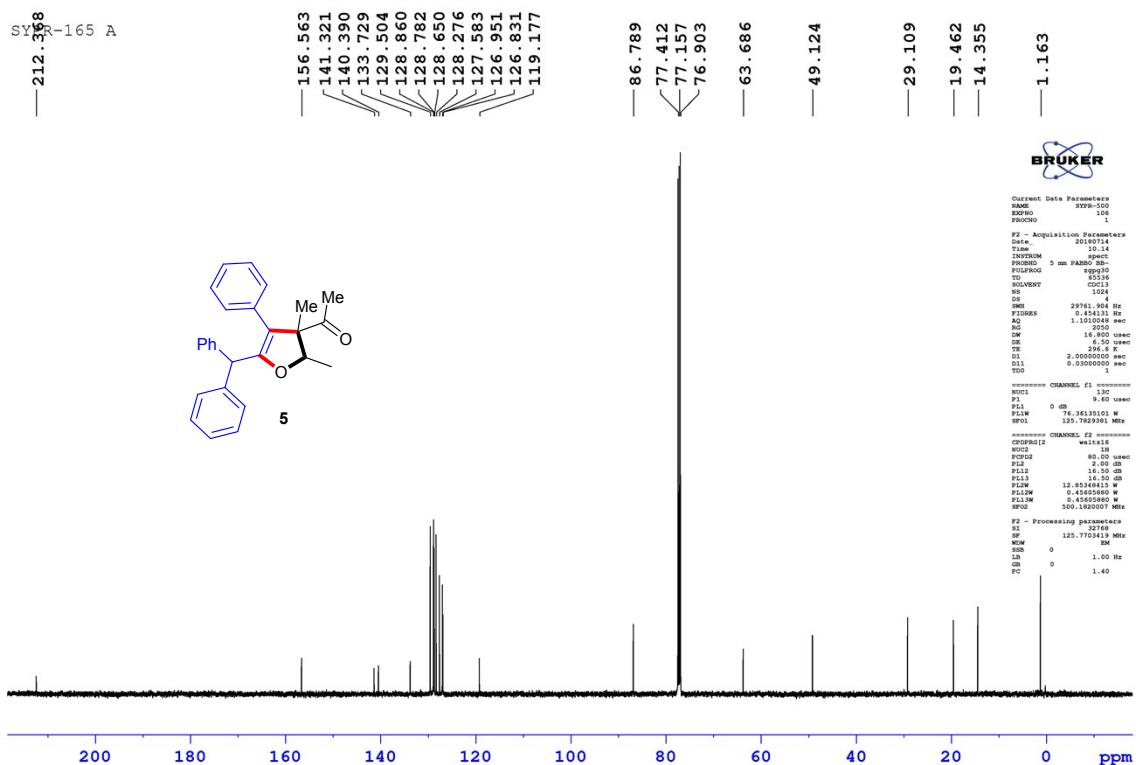


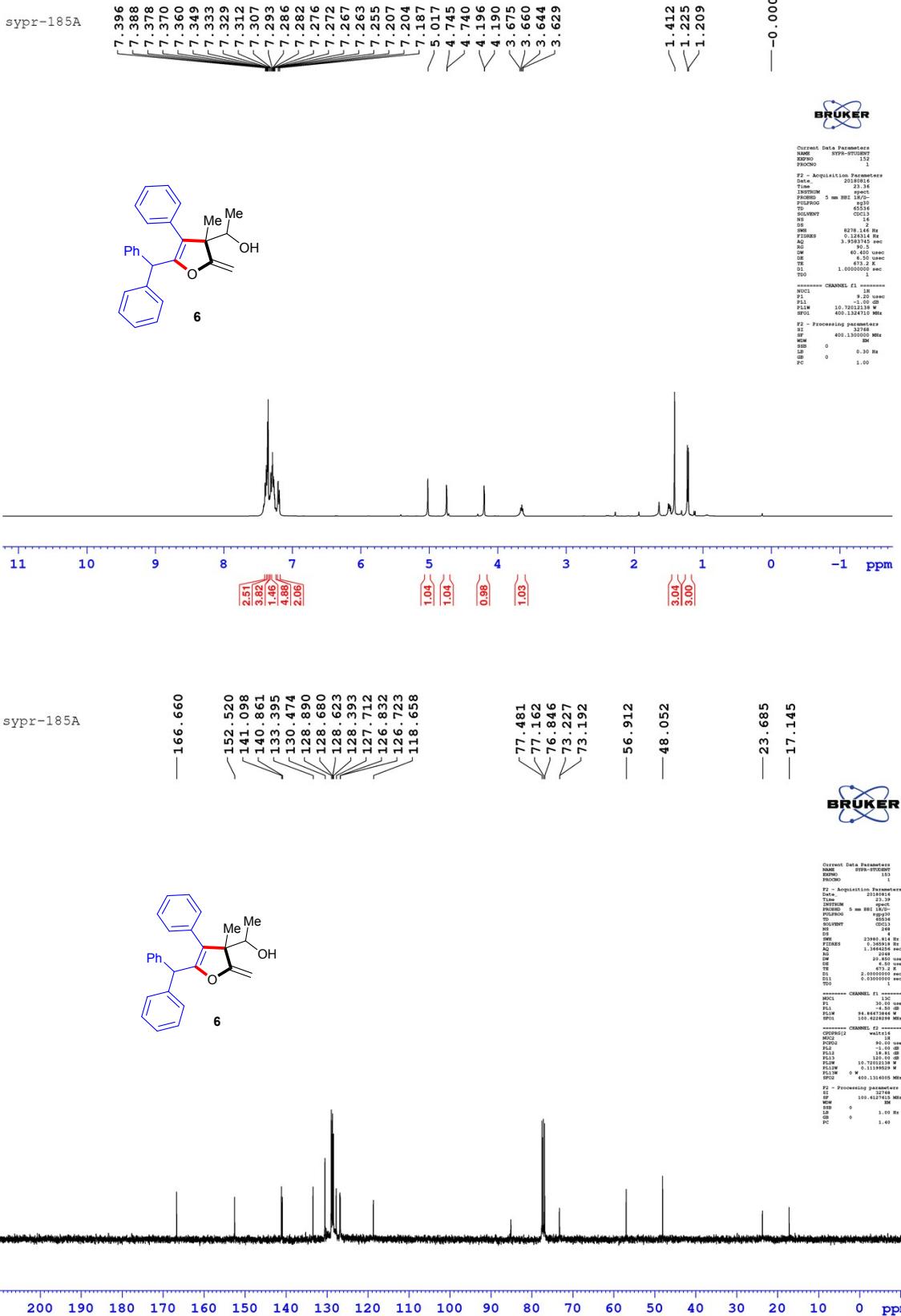


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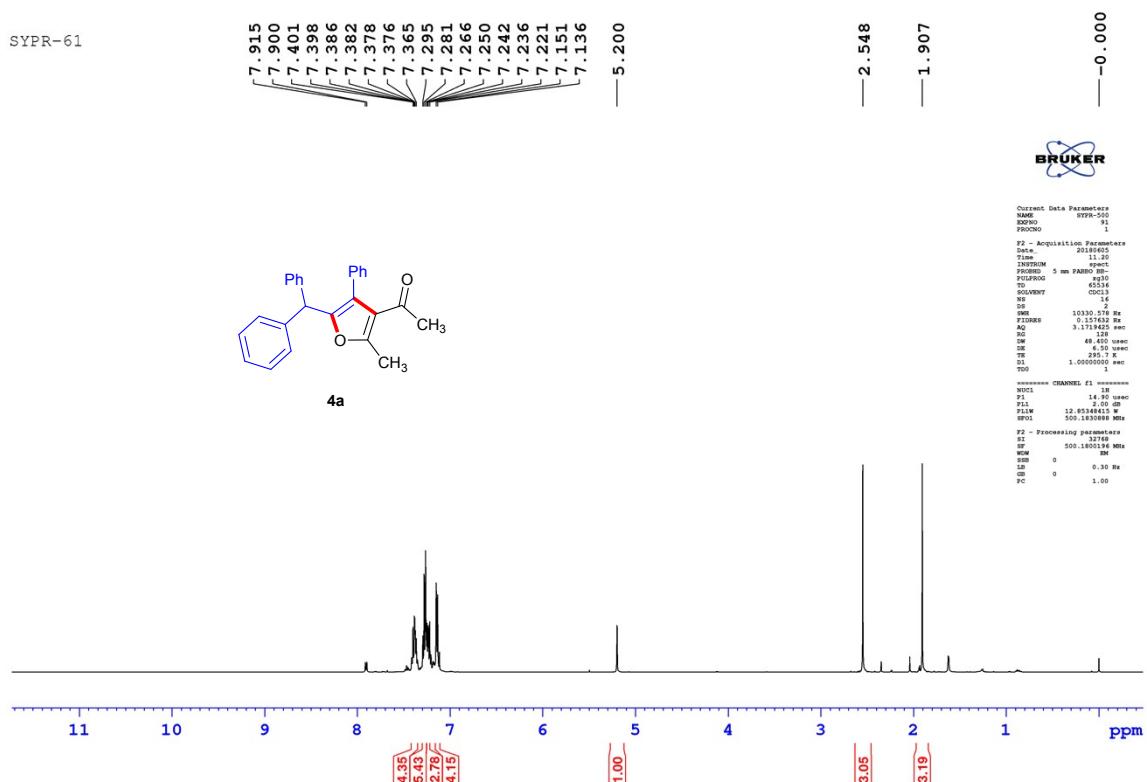


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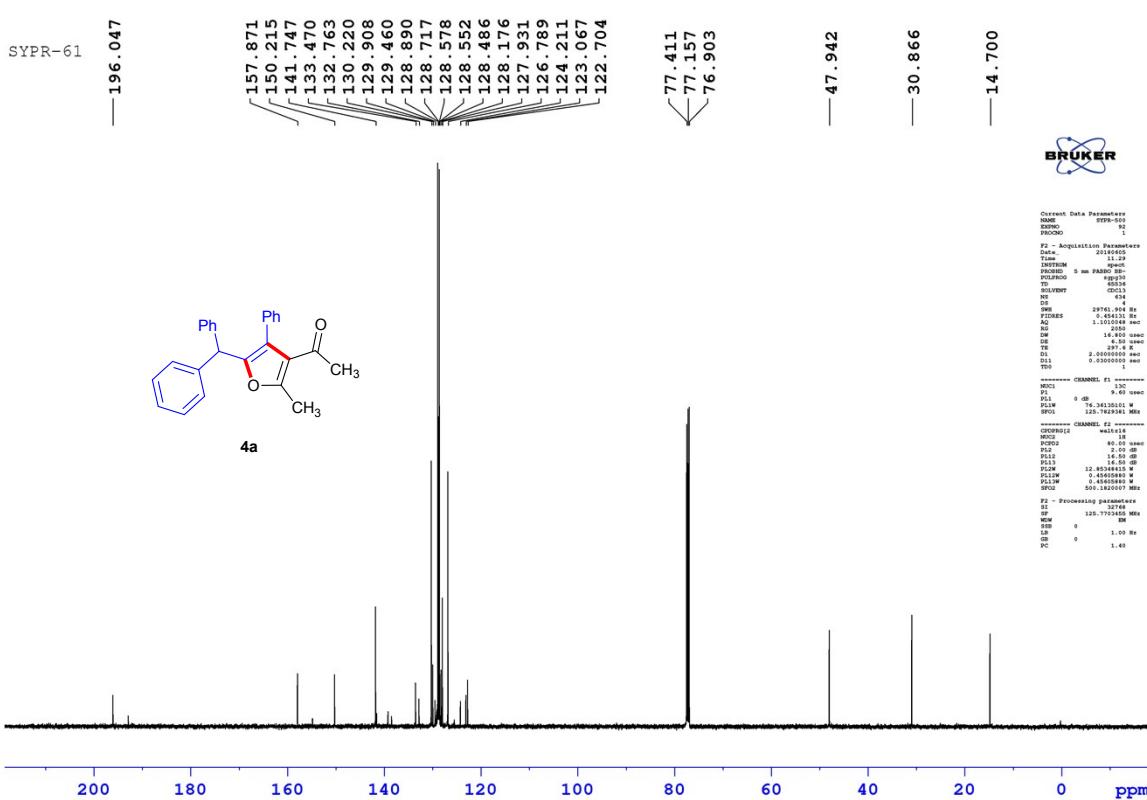




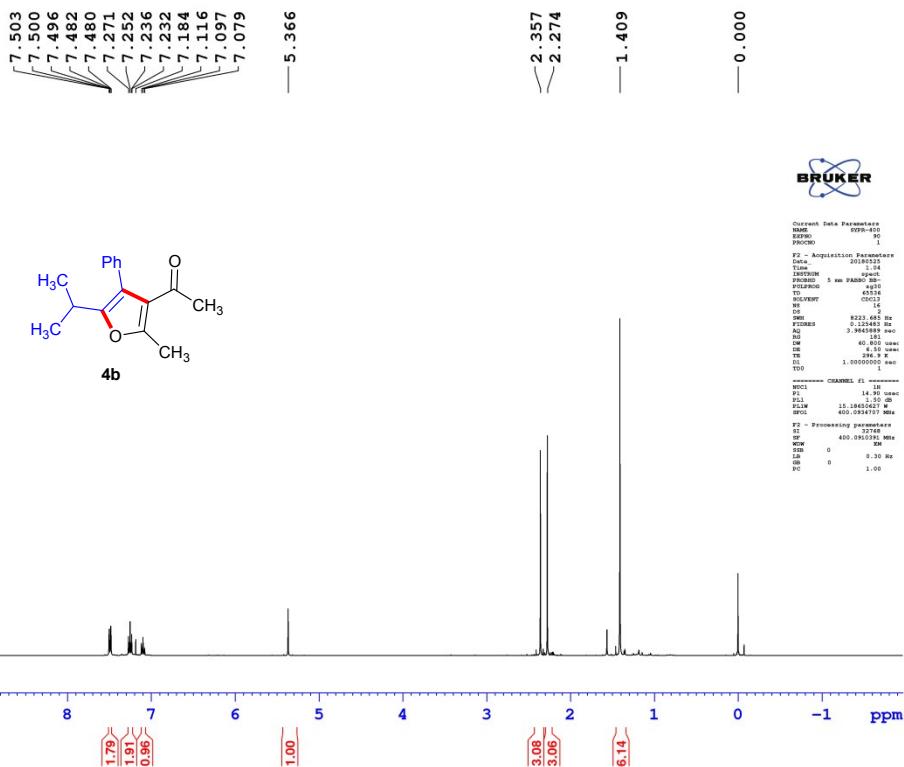
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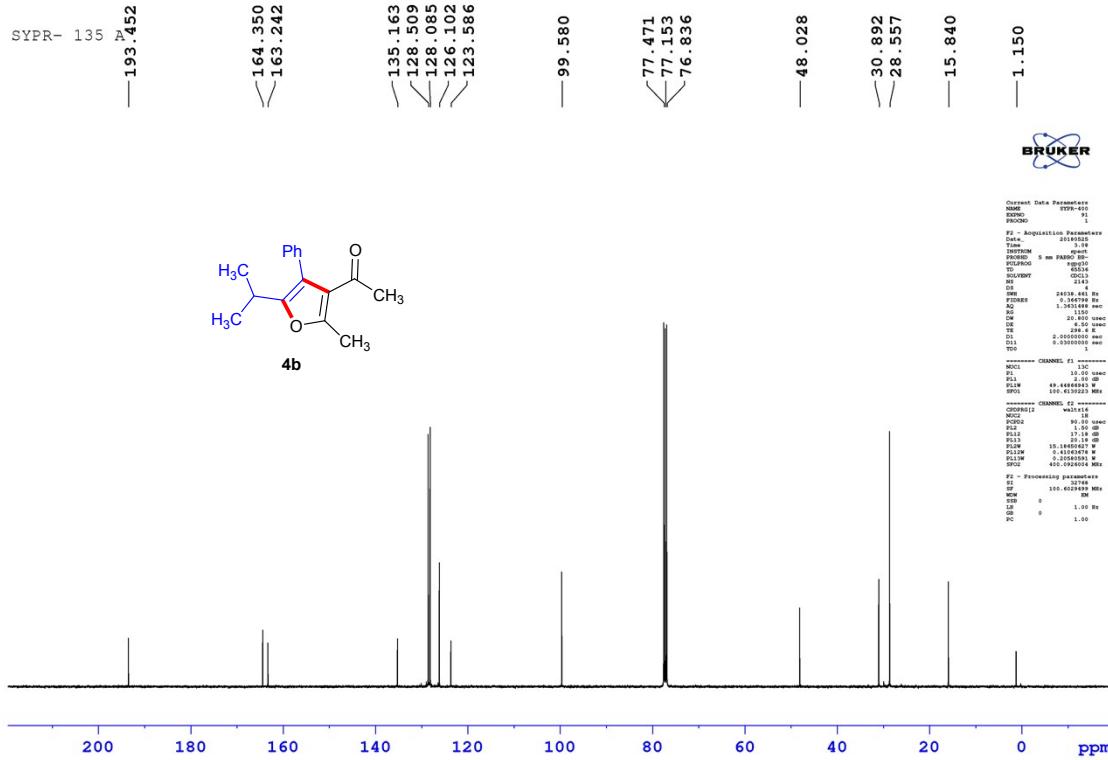
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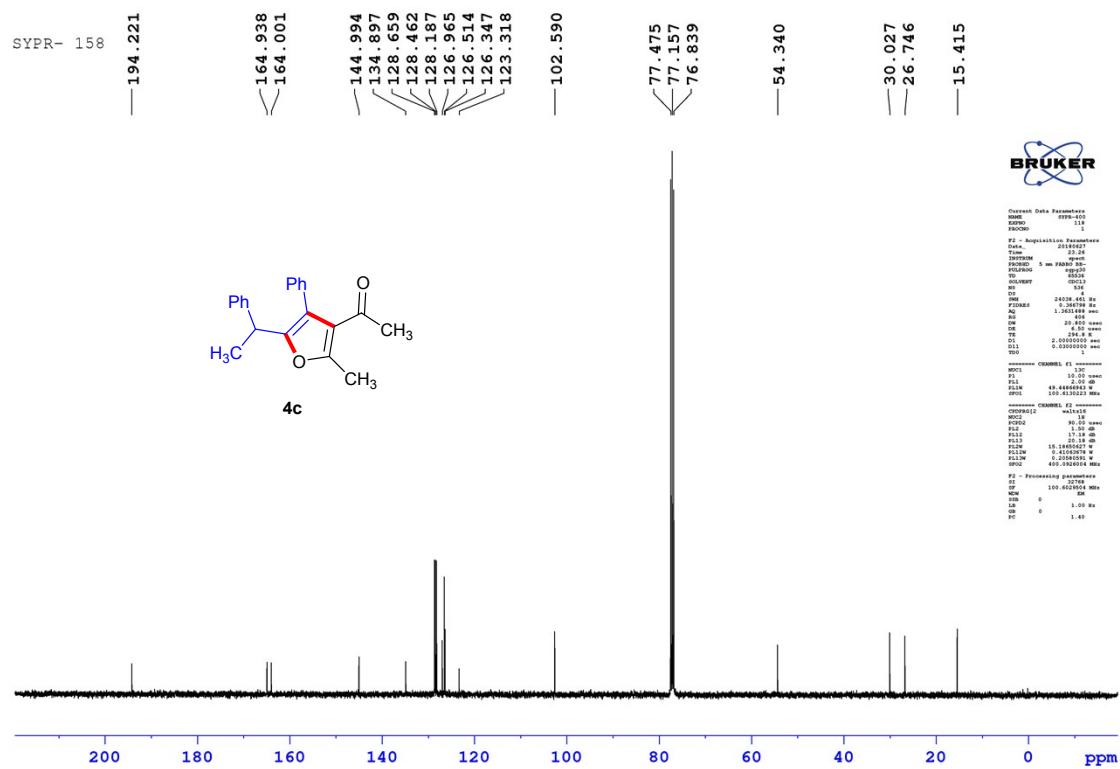
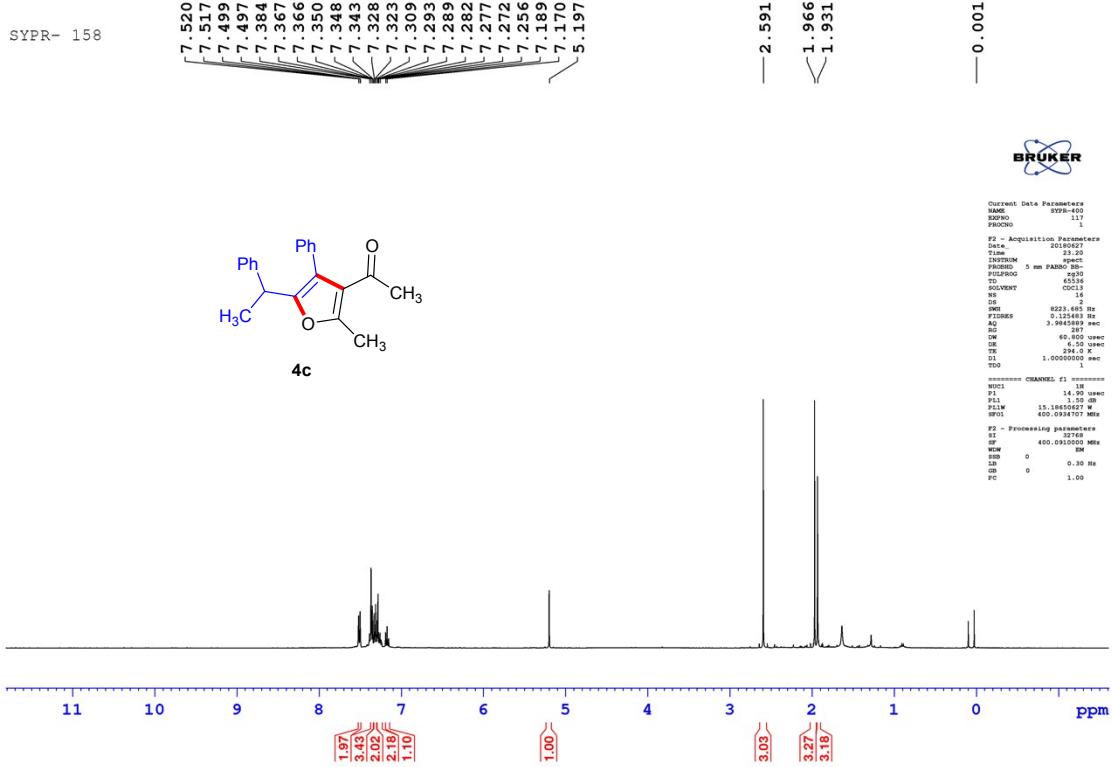


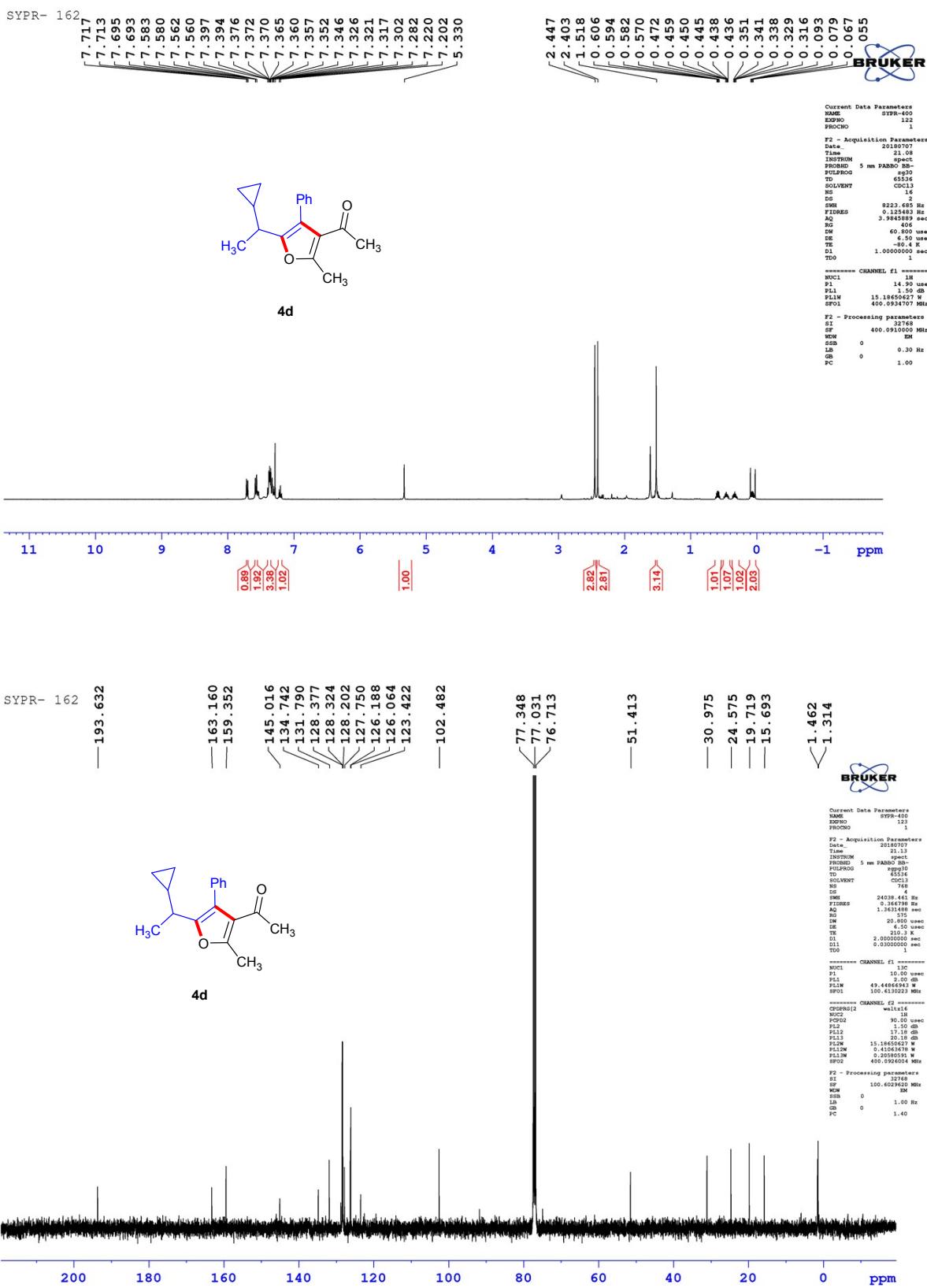
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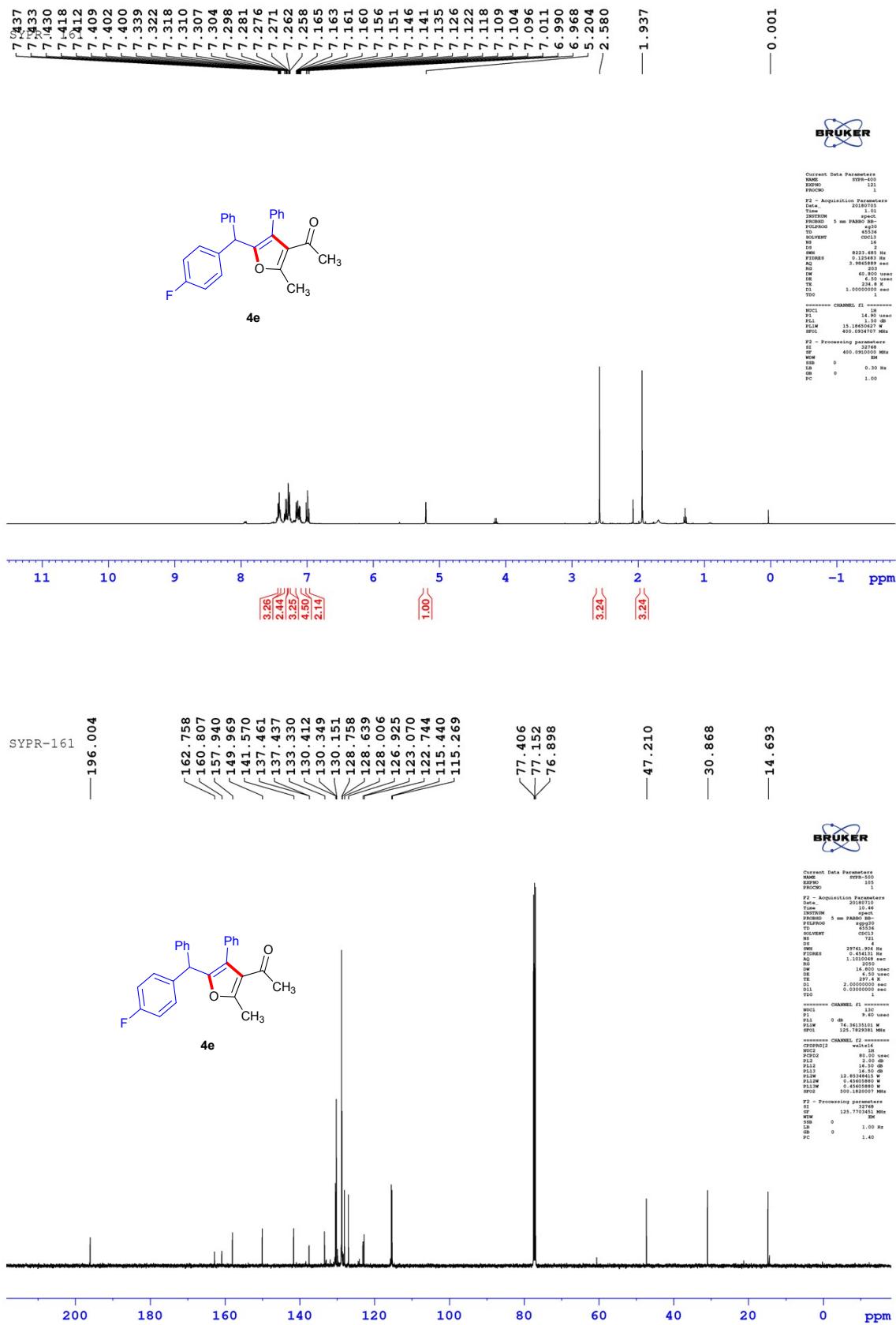


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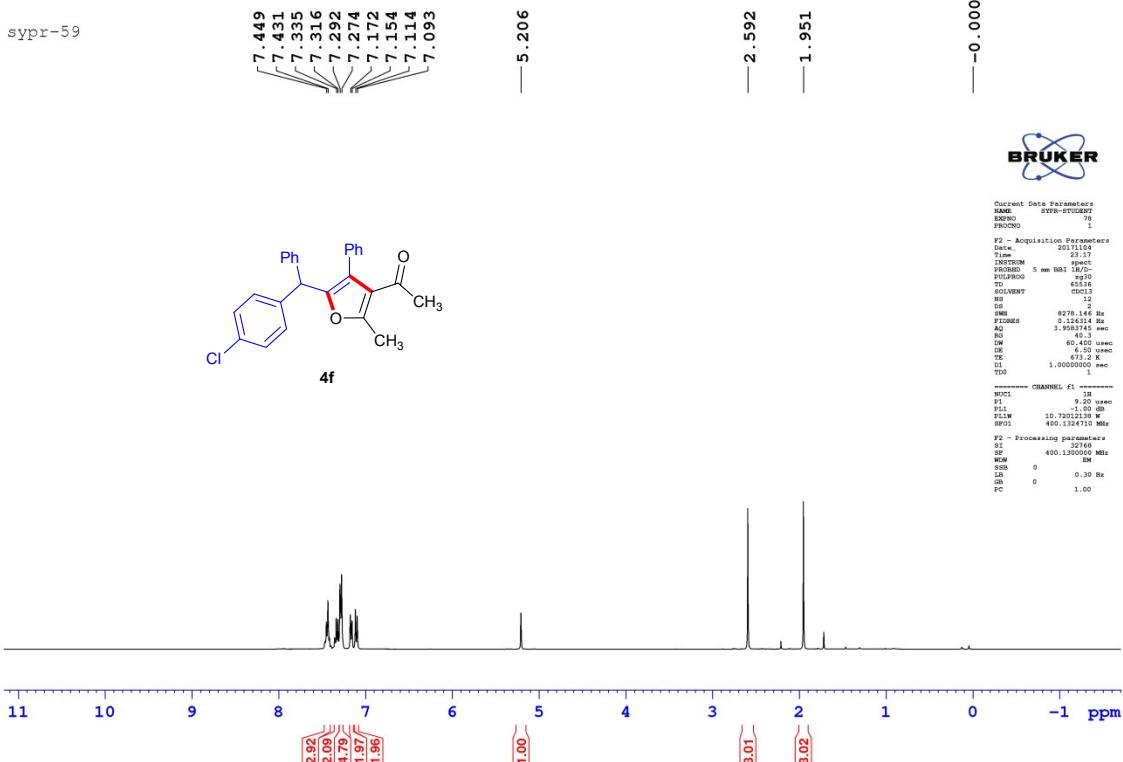




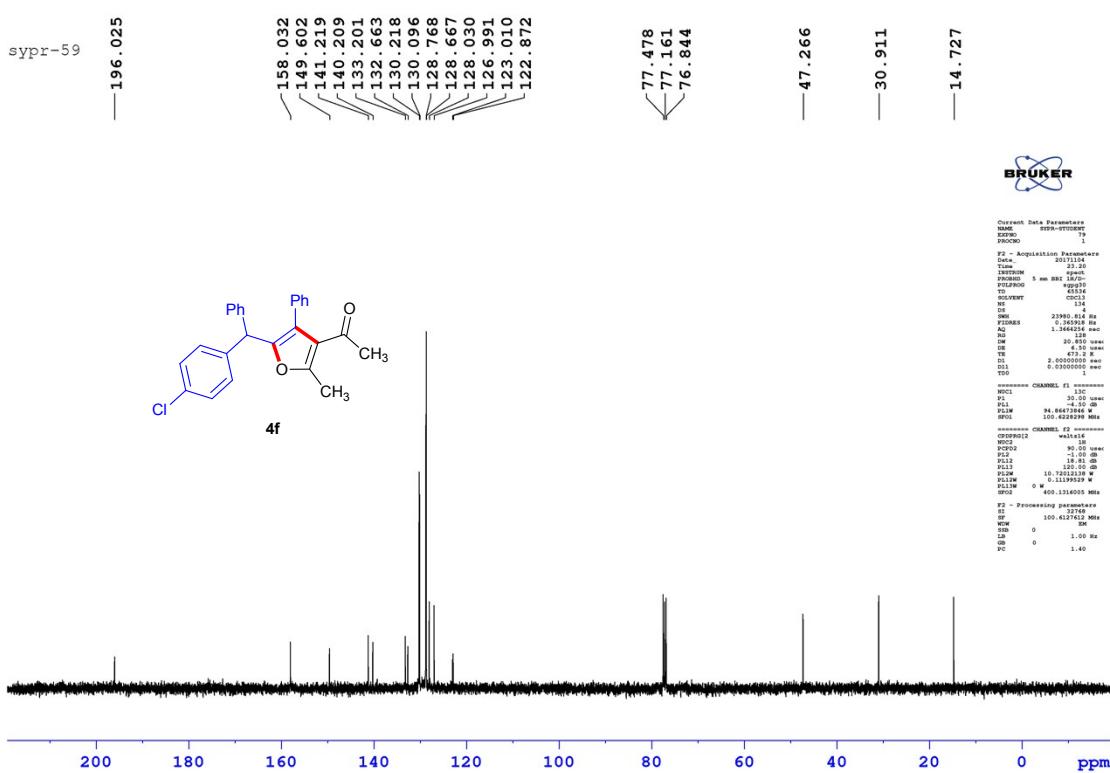


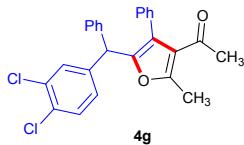
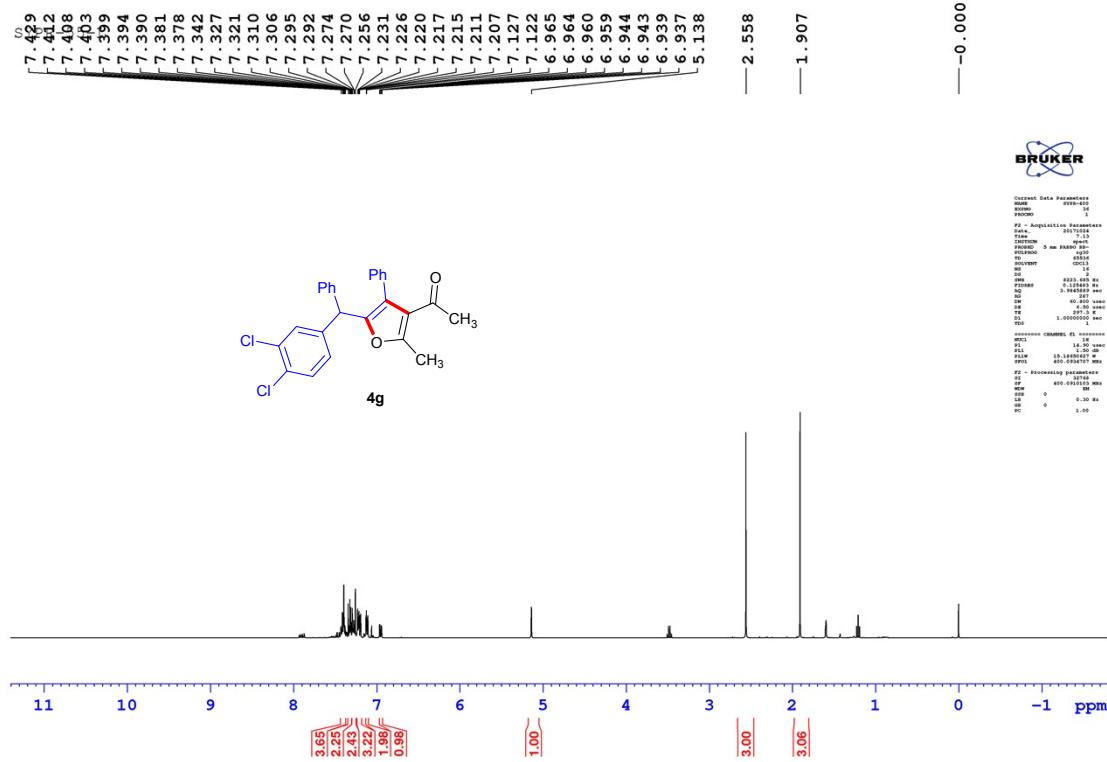


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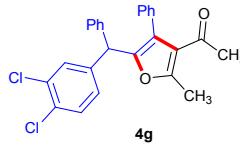
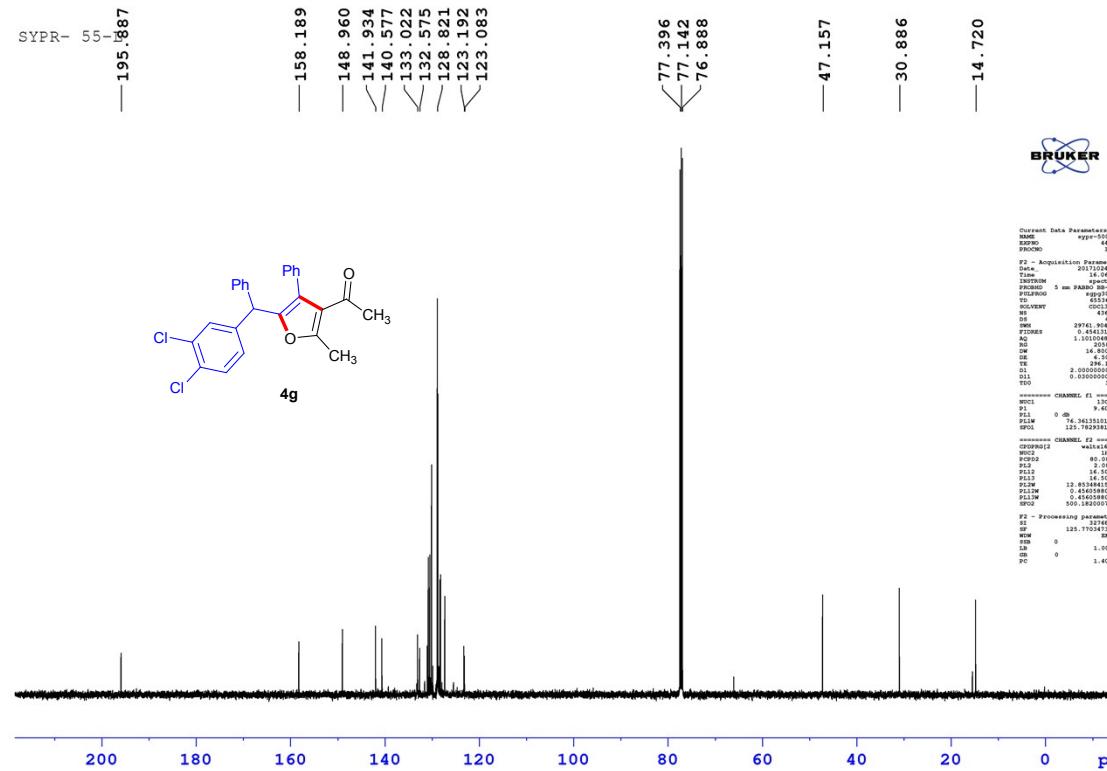


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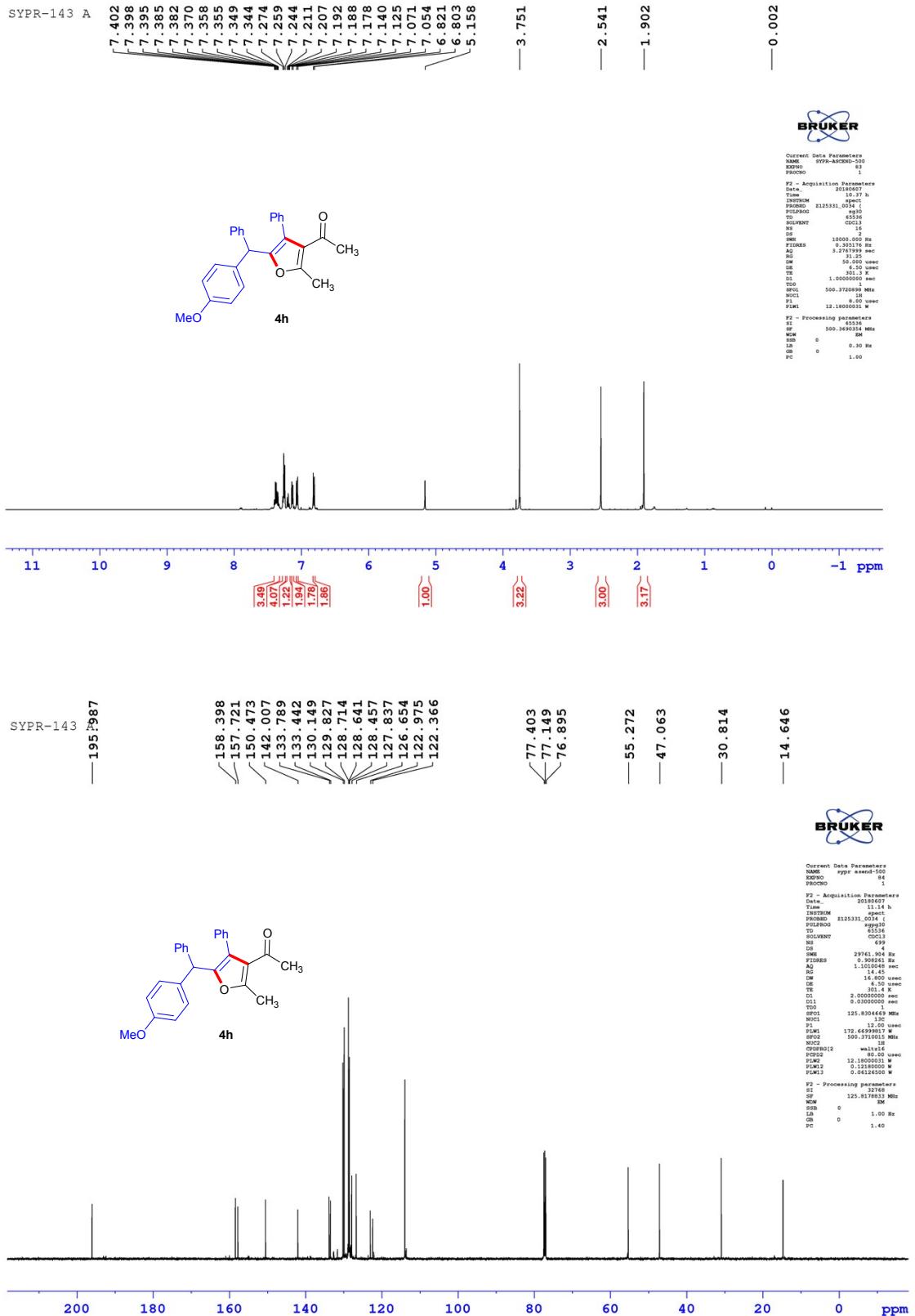




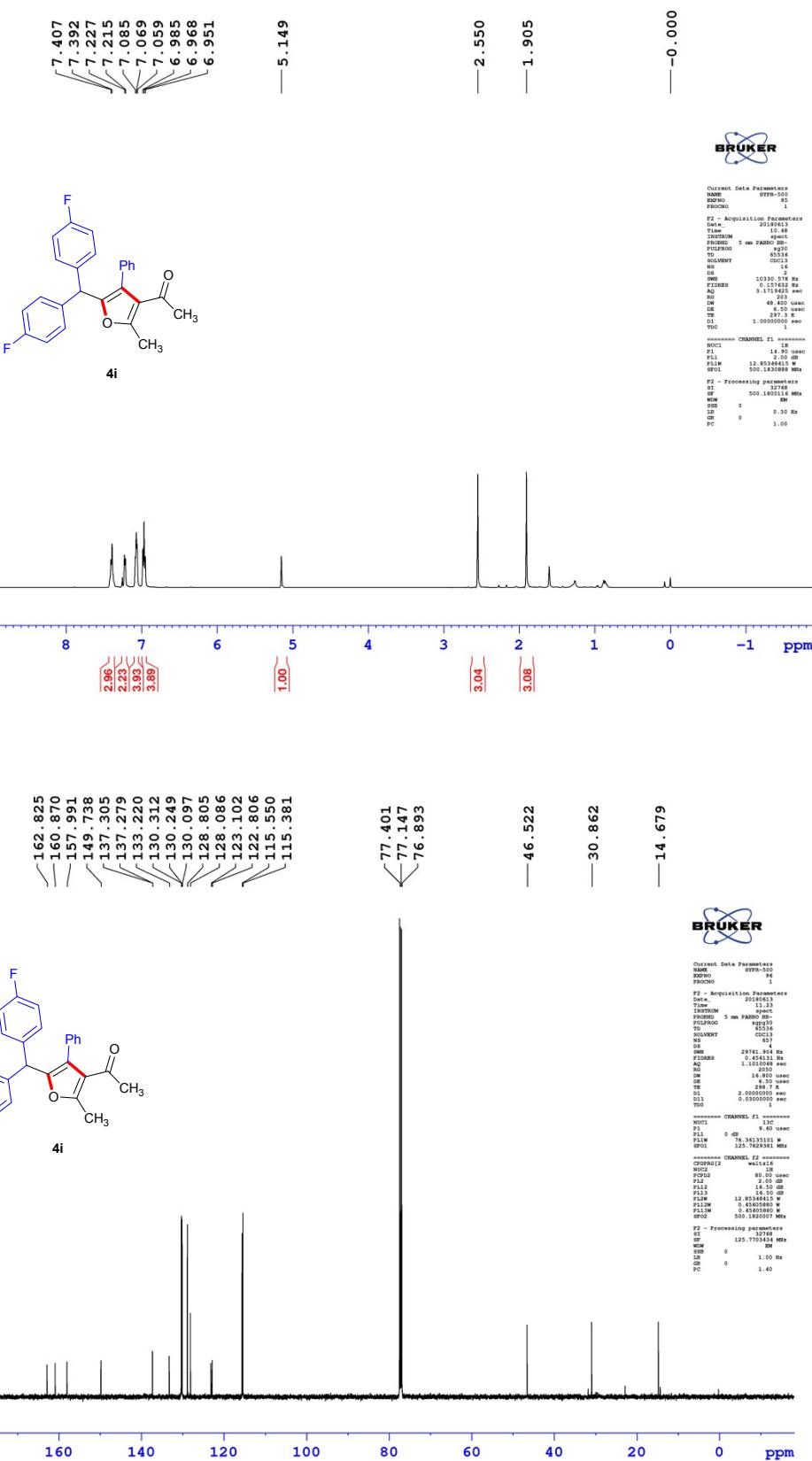
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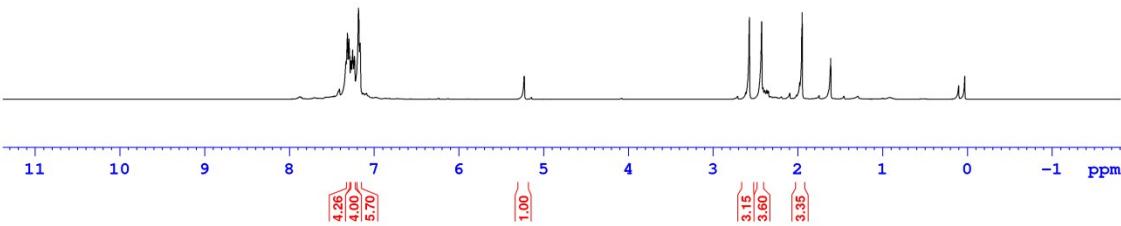
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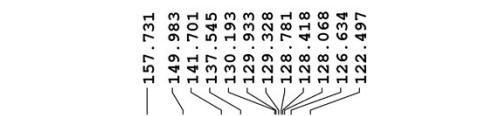
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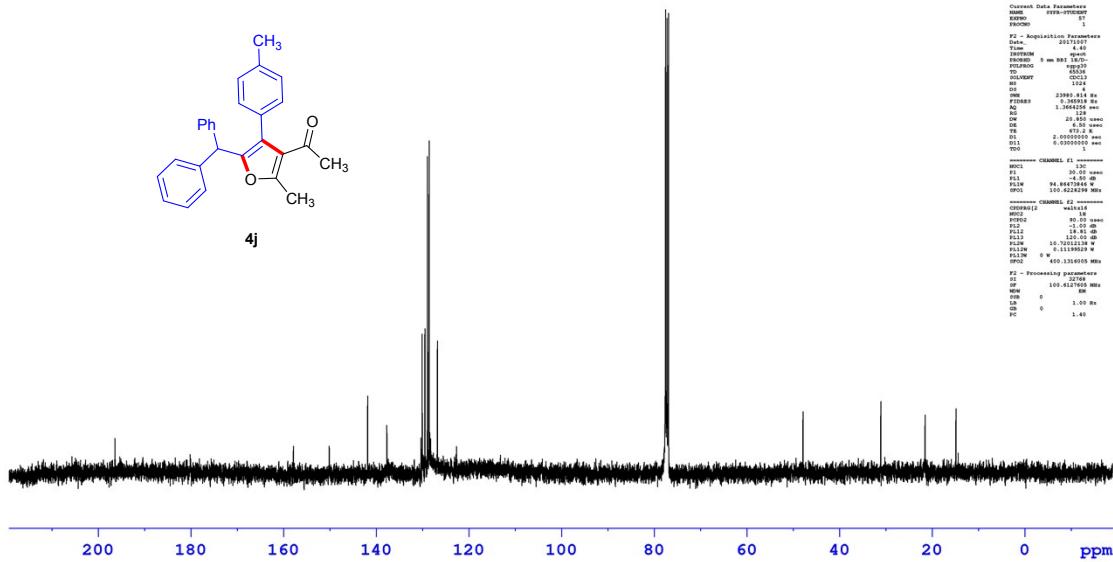
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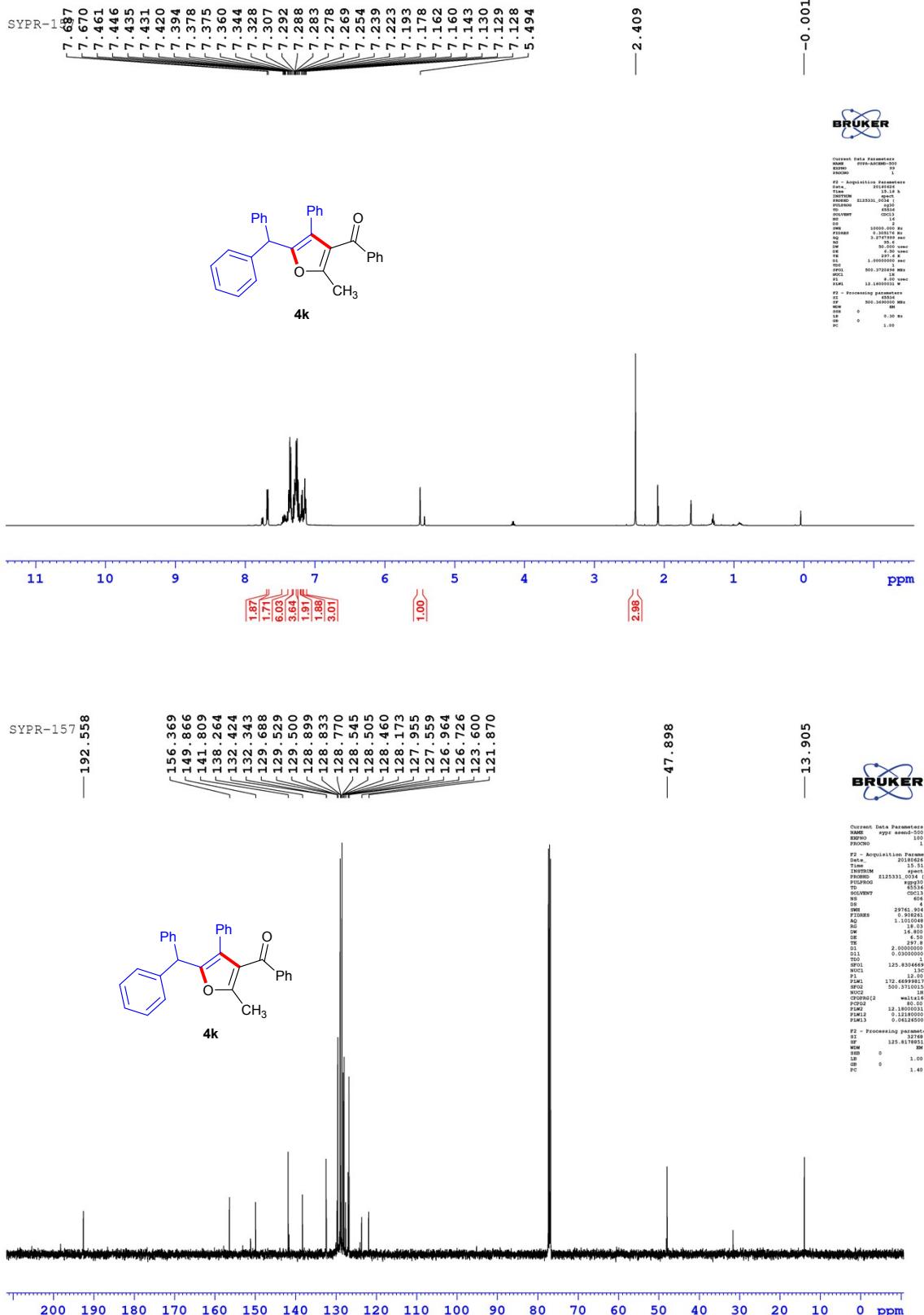


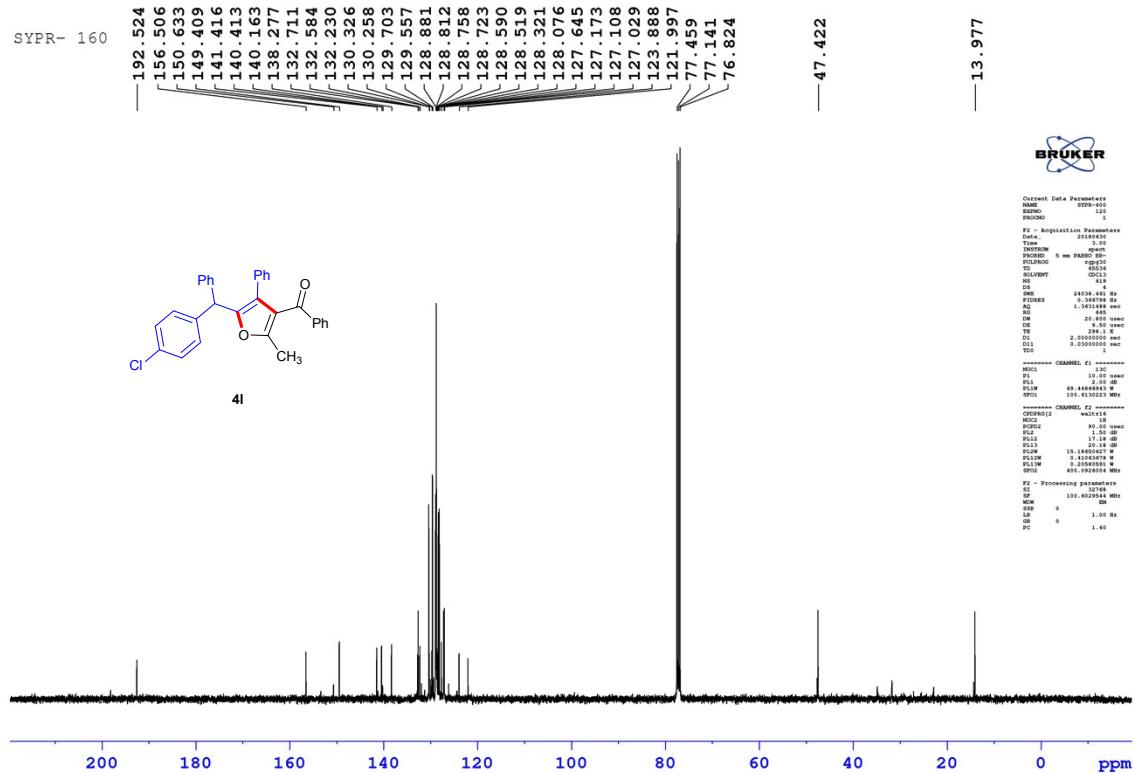
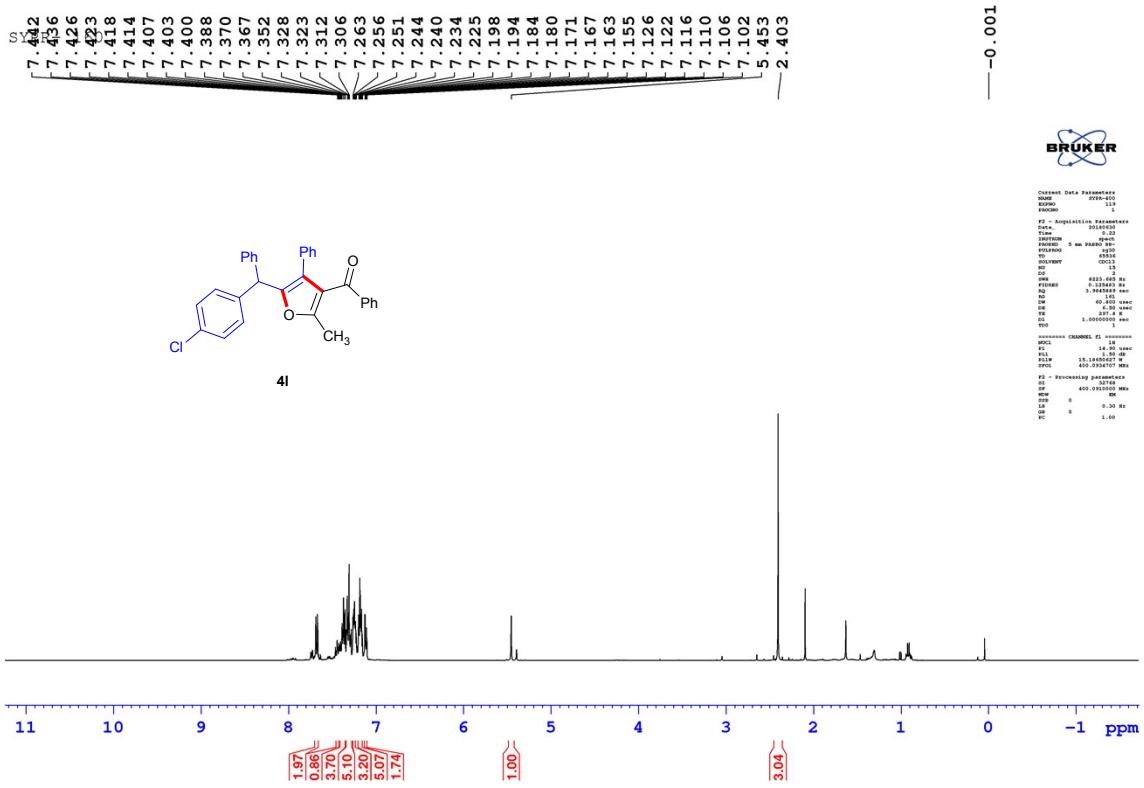
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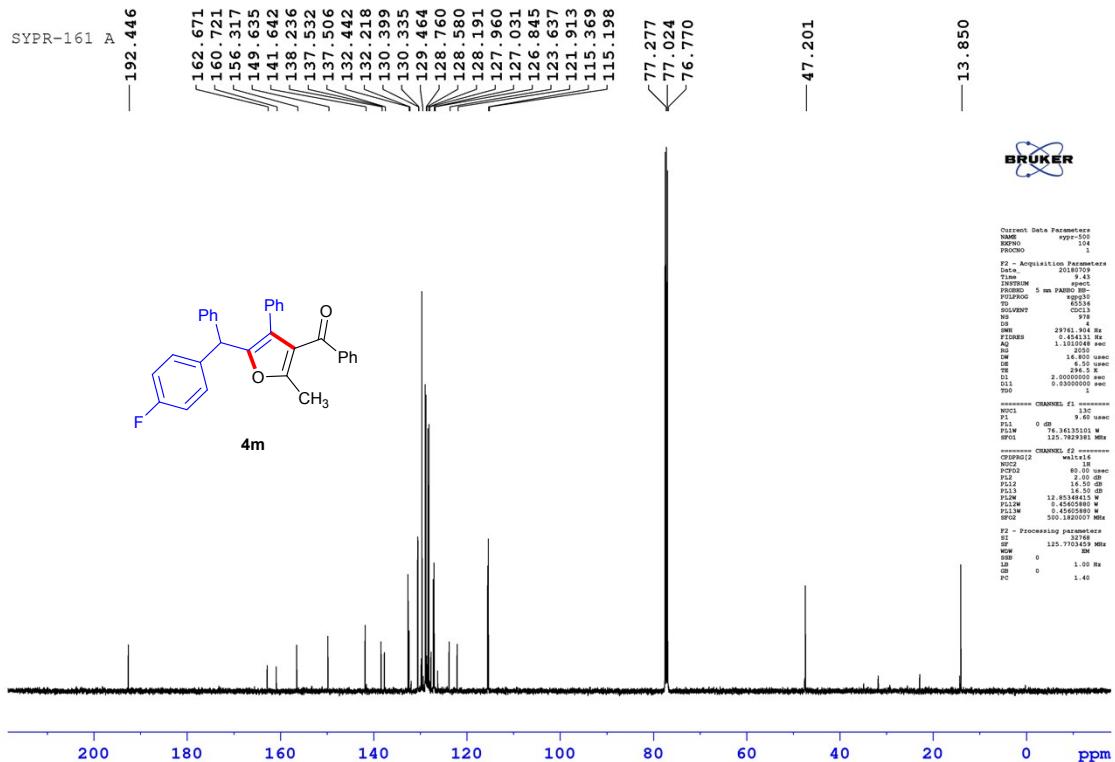
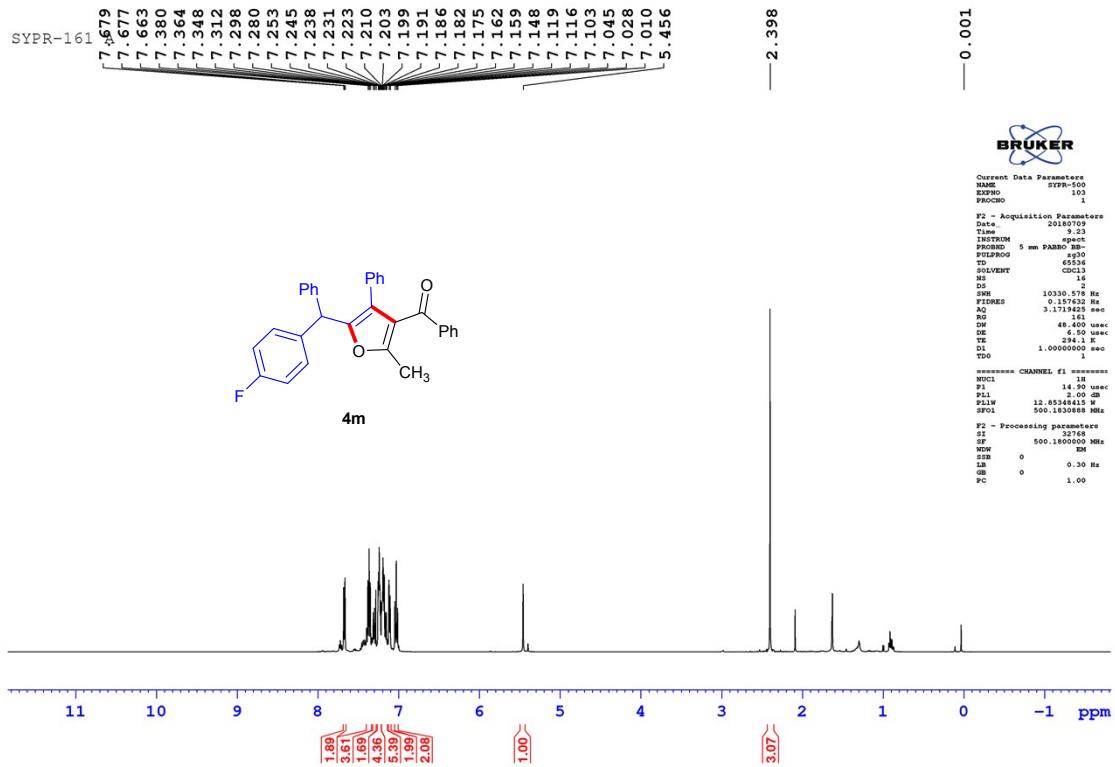
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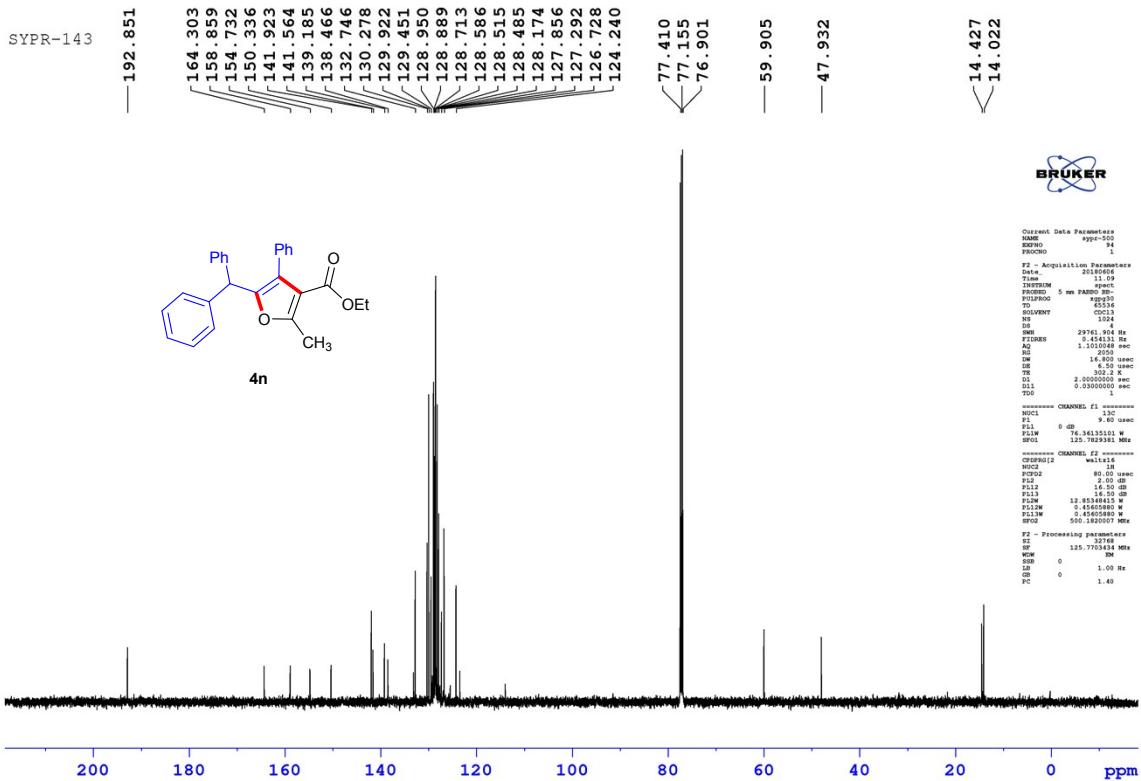
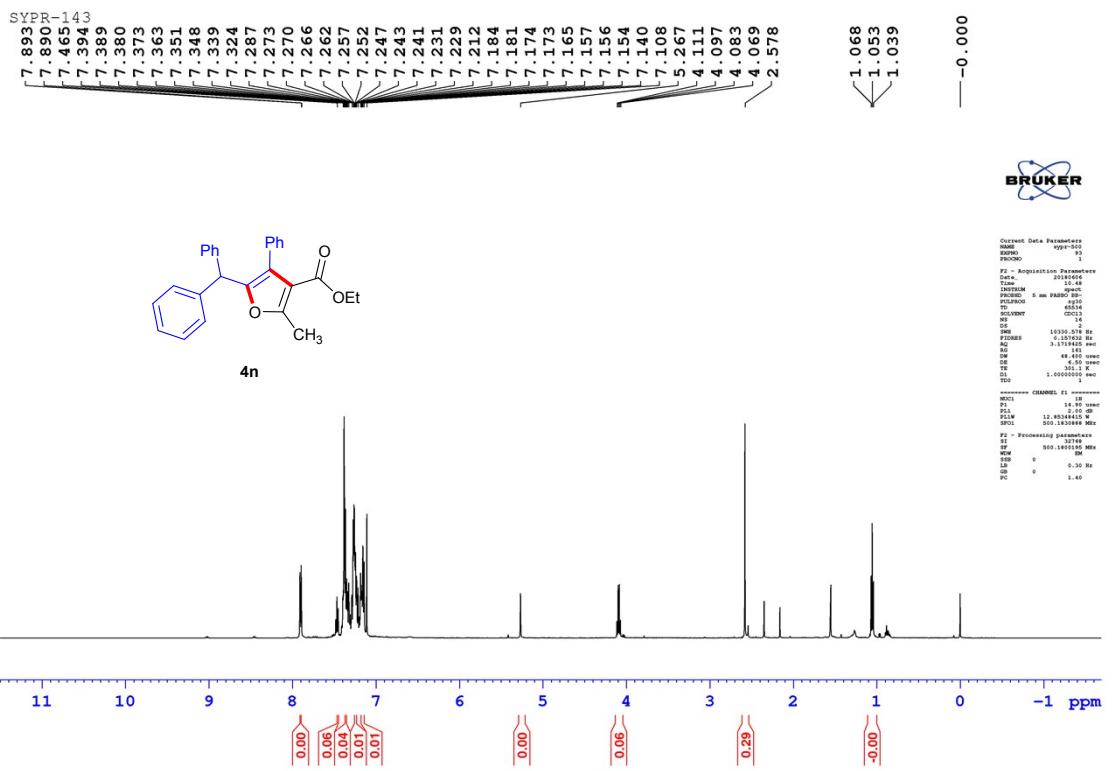
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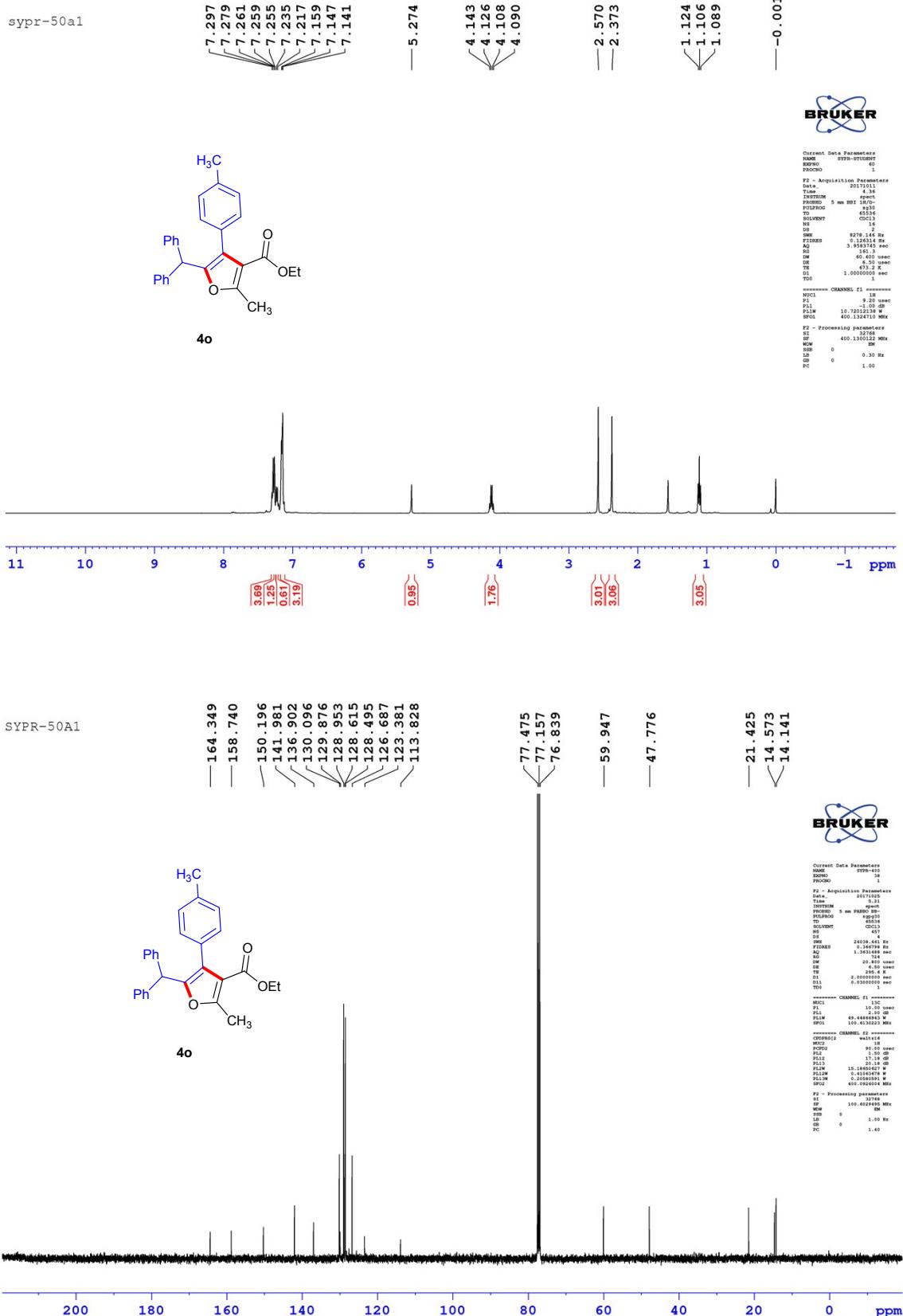


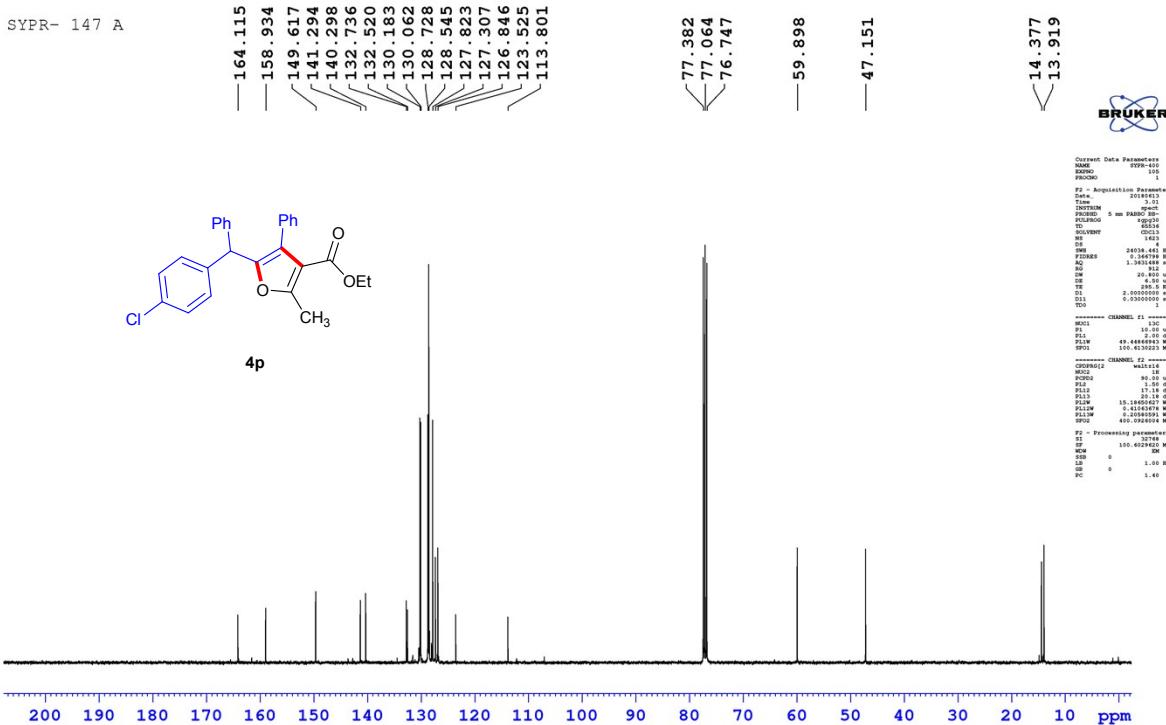
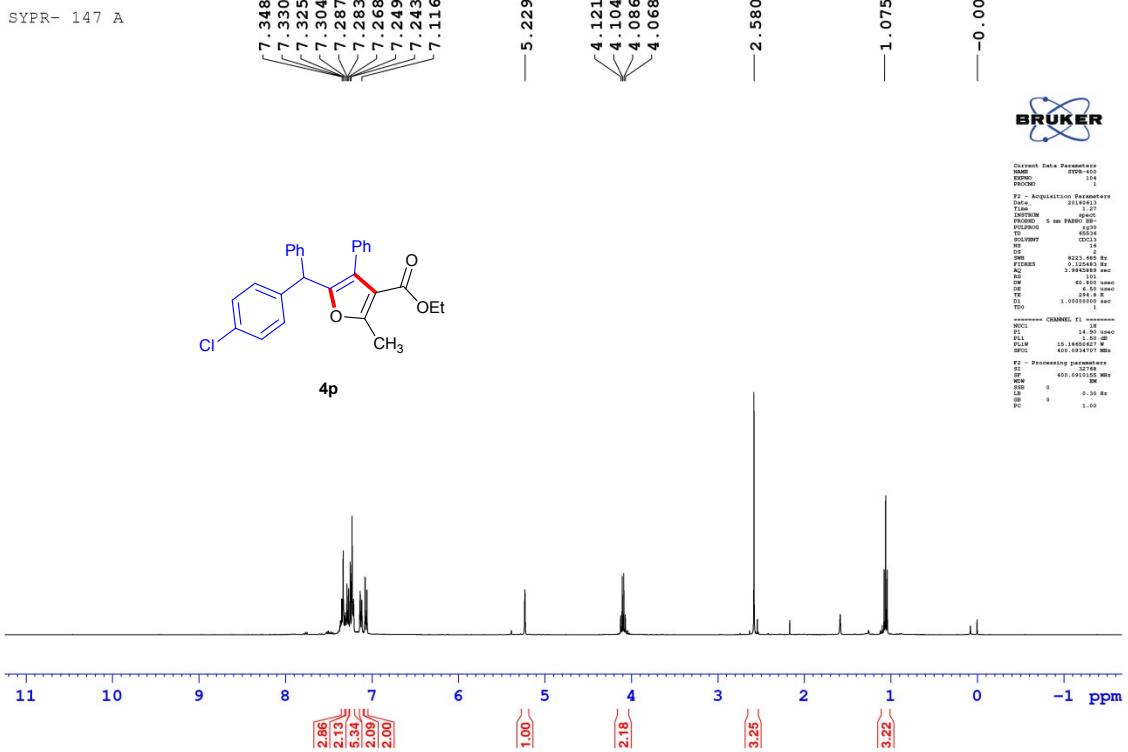


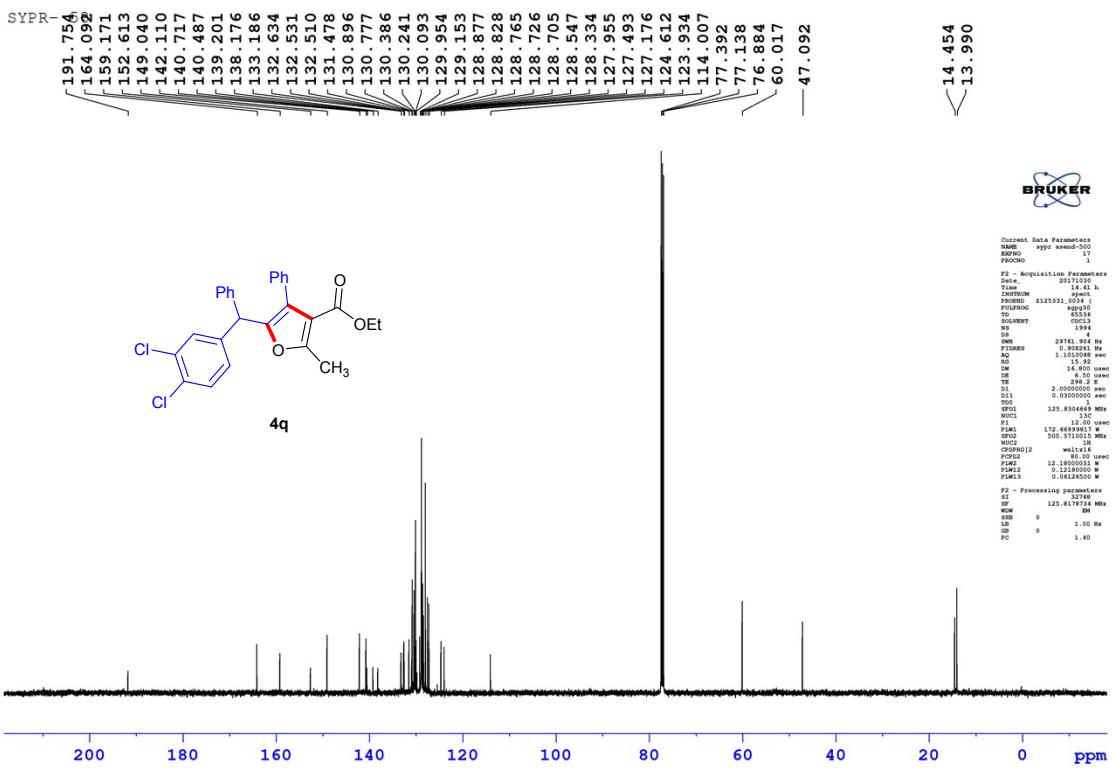
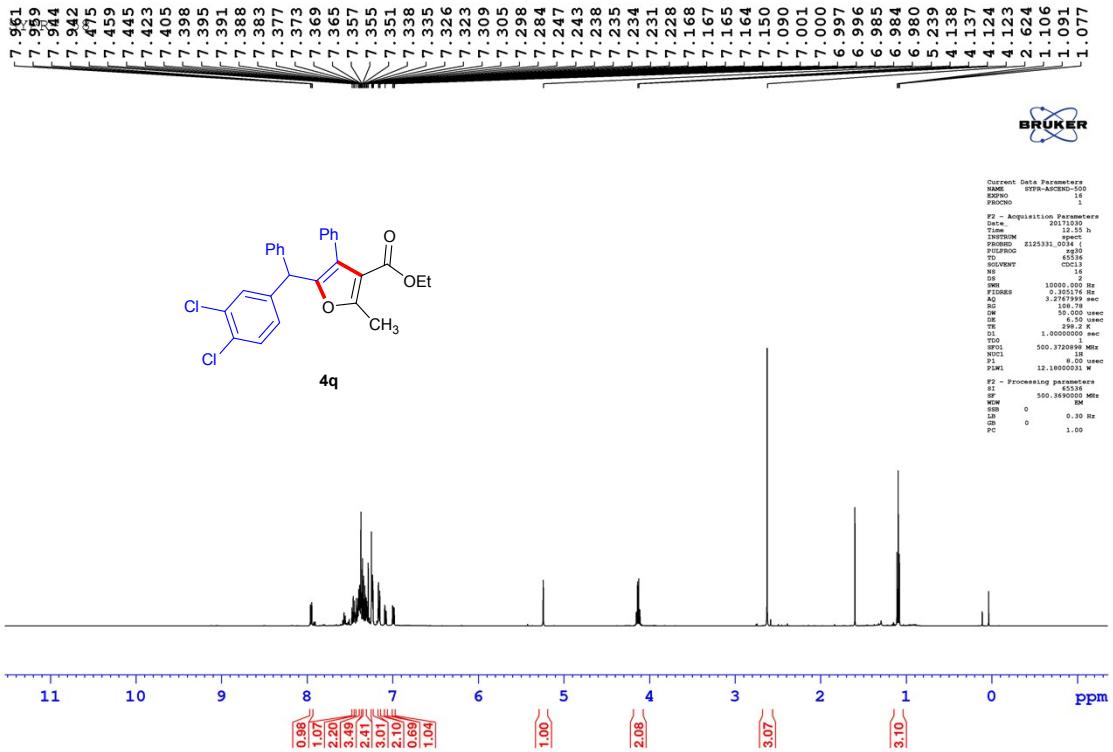












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