

# Supporting Information

## Room-temperature borylation and one-pot two-step borylation/Suzuki-Miyaura cross-coupling reaction of aryl chlorides

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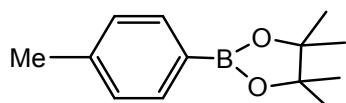
## General Information

All the reactions were carried out under N<sub>2</sub> atmosphere. Melting points were determined by the open capillary tube method and are uncorrected. <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were recorded on Bruker AV III (300 MHz) and JOEL ECA-400 spectrometers by using CDCl<sub>3</sub> or DMSO-d<sub>6</sub> as the solvent and tetramethylsilane (TMS) as the internal standard. Silica gel (200-300 mesh) was used for column chromatography.

## General procedure for screening

A glass vessel was charged with Palladium Catalyst (0.02 mmol), ligand (0.04 mmol), boron reagent (3.00 mmol), and KOAc (294 mg, 3.00 mmol) in dioxane (2 ml). The mixture under nitrogen was stirred for 10 min, followed by the addition of **1a** (127 mg, 1.00 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred at the indicated temperature for the indicated time in Table 1. The reaction solution was diluted with ethyl acetate (4 ml) and filtered through a thin pad of celite (eluting with ethyl acetate) and the eluent was concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude material so obtained was purified via column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate).

### **2-(4-methylphenyl)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (2a)**<sup>1</sup>



White solid, m. p. 53-55 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.71 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.19 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 2.37 (s, 3H), 1.34 (s, 12H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 141.39, 134.73, 128.49, 83.57, 24.79, 21.72.

## General procedure for optimization of reaction parameters

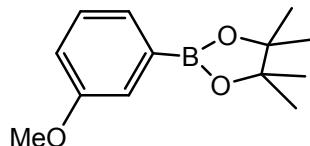
A glass vessel was charged with XPhos-Pd-G2 (15.7 mg, 0.02 mmol), XPhos (19 mg, 0.04 mmol), B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> (508 mg, 2.00 mmol), and base (3.00 mmol) in the solvent (2 ml) indicated in the table 2. The mixture under nitrogen was stirred for 10 min, followed by the addition of **1a** (127 mg, 1.00 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred at room

temperature for 30 minutes. The reaction solution was diluted with ethyl acetate (4 ml) and filtered through a thin pad of celite (eluting with ethyl acetate) and the eluent was concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude material so obtained was purified via column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate).

### General procedure for borylation of aryl chlorides

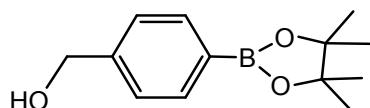
A glass vessel was charged with XPhos-Pd-G2 (4 mg, 0.005 mmol), XPhos (1.2 mg, 0.0025 mmol), B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> (305 mg, 1.20 mmol), and K<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>·7H<sub>2</sub>O (1.01 g, 3.00 mmol) in EtOH (2 ml). The mixture under nitrogen was stirred for 10 min, followed by the addition of **1** (1.00 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature until the reaction was complete as monitored by TLC. The reaction solution was diluted with ethyl acetate (4 ml) and filtered through a thin pad of celite (eluting with ethyl acetate) and the eluent was concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude material so obtained was purified via column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate).

#### **2-(3-Methoxyphenyl)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (2b)<sup>1</sup> (Table 3, entry 1)**



White solid, m. p. 106-107°C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.43 – 7.37 (m, 1H), 7.33 (d, *J* = 3.5 Hz, 1H), 7.30 – 7.26 (m, 1H), 7.01 (ddd, *J* = 8.2, 2.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 1.34 (s, 12H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 158.98, 128.88, 127.12, 118.66, 117.82, 83.75, 55.14, 24.80.

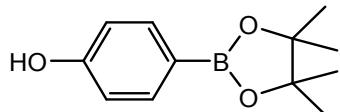
#### **2-(4-Hydroxymethylphenyl)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (2c)<sup>2</sup> (Table 3, entry 2)**



White solid, m. p. 122-124°C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.81 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.37 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 4.72 (s, 2H), 1.35 (s, 12H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ

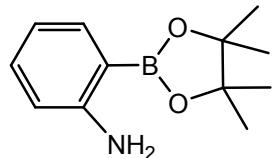
143.94, 134.95, 126.02, 83.78, 65.12, 24.79.

**2-(4-Hydroxylphenyl)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (2d) <sup>1</sup> (Table 3, entry 3)**



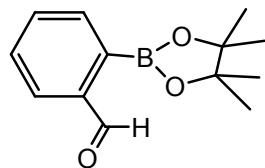
White solid, m. p. 109-110°C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.70 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.87 – 6.77 (m, 2H), 1.33 (s, 12H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 158.78, 136.71, 114.96, 83.79, 24.72.

**2-(2-Aminophenyl)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (2e) <sup>3</sup> (Table 3, entry 4)**



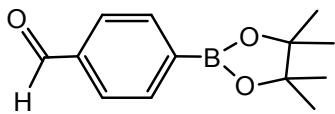
White solid, m. p. 89-90°C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.61 (dd, *J* = 7.4, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.21 (ddd, *J* = 8.1, 7.2, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 6.67 (td, *J* = 7.3, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 6.61 – 6.57 (m, 1H), 4.73 (s, 2H), 1.34 (s, 12H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 153.58, 136.73, 132.67, 116.80, 114.70, 83.43, 24.85.

**2-(4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)-benzaldehyde (2f) <sup>1</sup> (Table 3, entry 5)**



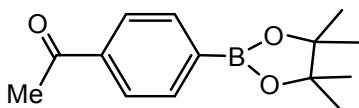
White solid, m. p. 71-73°C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 10.55 (s, 1H), 7.98 – 7.93 (m, 1H), 7.88 – 7.84 (m, 1H), 7.61 – 7.52 (m, 2H), 1.39 (s, 12H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 194.46, 141.11, 135.34, 132.86, 130.60, 127.75, 84.26, 24.72.

**4-(4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)-benzaldehyde (2g) <sup>3</sup> (Table 3, entry 6)**



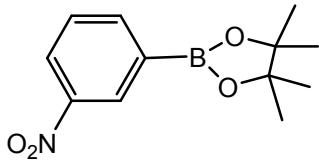
White solid, m. p. 55-57°C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  10.05 (s, 1H), 7.97 (d,  $J = 7.9$  Hz, 2H), 7.87 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H), 1.37 (s, 12H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  192.79, 137.95, 135.16, 128.70, 84.30, 24.82.

**1-(4-(4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)phenyl)-ethanone (2h)<sup>1</sup> (Table 3, entry 7)**



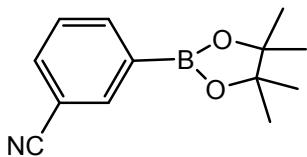
White solid, m. p. 63-65°C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.92 (td,  $J = 8.2, 6.5$  Hz, 4H), 2.63 (s, 3H), 1.36 (s, 12H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  198.56, 138.82, 134.85, 127.25, 84.17, 26.82, 24.82.

**2-(3-Nitrophenyl)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (2i)<sup>1</sup> (Table 3, entry 8)**



White solid, m. p. 108-109°C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  8.64 (d,  $J = 1.7$  Hz, 1H), 8.30 (ddd,  $J = 8.2, 2.4, 1.1$  Hz, 1H), 8.10 (d,  $J = 7.3$  Hz, 1H), 7.54 (t,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 1H), 1.37 (s, 12H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  147.65, 140.62, 129.31, 128.70, 125.80, 84.52, 24.78.

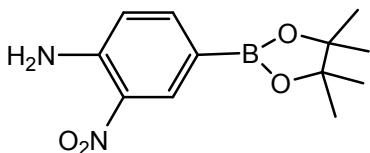
**3-(4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)benzonitrile (2j)<sup>3</sup> (Table 3, entry 9)**



White solid, m. p. 93-94°C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.09 (s, 1H), 8.04 – 7.96 (m, 1H), 7.72 (dt,  $J = 7.8, 1.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.48 (d,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 1H), 1.35 (s, 12H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  138.65, 138.28, 134.27, 128.30, 118.71, 111.95, 84.38,

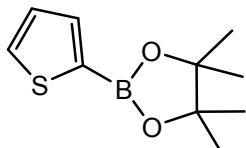
24.76.

**2-Nitro-4-(4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl) aniline (2k)<sup>4</sup> (Table 3, entry 10)**



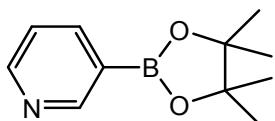
White solid, m. p. 176-177°C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.59 (d, *J* = 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.72 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 6.77 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 6.21 (s, 2H), 1.33 (s, 13H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 146.43 (s), 141.04 (s), 133.70 (s), 131.99 (s), 117.93 (s), 83.95 (s), 24.80 (s).

**4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-2-(thiophen-2-yl)-1,3,2-dioxaborolan (2l)<sup>1</sup> (Table 3, entry 11)**



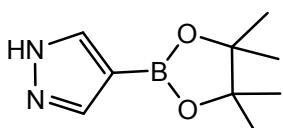
White solid, m. p. 76-78°C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.65 (dd, *J* = 5.9, 4.1 Hz, 2H), 7.19 (dd, *J* = 4.6, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 1.35 (s, 12H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 137.12, 132.33, 128.18, 84.03, 24.73.

**3-(4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)pyridine (2m)<sup>5</sup> (Table 3, entry 12)**



White solid, m. p. 102-104°C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.95 (s, 1H), 8.67 (dd, *J* = 4.9, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 8.06 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.32 – 7.27 (m, 1H), 1.36 (s, 12H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 155.32, 151.87, 142.19, 123.05, 84.14, 24.78.

**4-(4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)-1*H*-pyrazole (2m)<sup>6</sup> (Table 3, entry 13)**



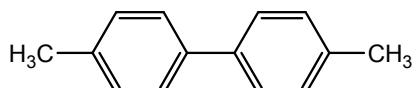
White solid, m. p. 143-145°C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.91 (s, 2H), 1.34 (s,

12H).  $^{13}\text{C}$ NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  140.27 (s), 83.37 (s), 24.75 (s).

### General procedure for synthesis of symmetrical biaryl compounds

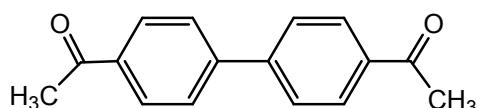
A glass vessel was charged with XPhos-Pd-G2 (4 mg, 0.005 mmol), XPhos (2.4 mg, 0.005 mmol),  $\text{B}_2\text{pin}_2$  (127 mg, 0.50 mmol), and  $\text{K}_3\text{PO}_4 \cdot 7\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (1.01 g, 3.00 mmol) in EtOH (5 ml). The mixture under nitrogen was stirred for 10 min, followed by the addition of aryl chlorides (1.00 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 8 h. The reaction solution was diluted with ethyl acetate (6 ml) and filtered through a thin pad of celite (eluting with ethyl acetate) and the eluent was concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude material so obtained was purified via column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate).

#### 4,4'-Dimethylbiphenyl (3a)<sup>7</sup>



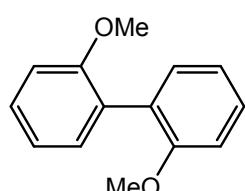
White solid, m. p. 118-119 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.48 (d,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 4H), 7.24 (d,  $J = 7.9$  Hz, 4H), 2.39 (s, 6H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  138.18, 136.67, 129.40, 126.76, 21.08.

#### 4,4'-Diacetylbpiphenyl (3b)<sup>8</sup>



White solid, m. p. 193-195 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.07 (d,  $J = 8.3$  Hz, 4H), 7.73 (d,  $J = 8.3$  Hz, 4H), 2.66 (s, 6H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  197.68, 144.21, 136.35, 128.95, 127.37, 26.73.

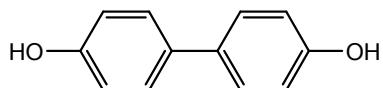
#### 2,2'-Dimethoxybiphenyl (3c)<sup>9</sup>



White solid, m. p. 152-154 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.33 (ddd,  $J = 8.1, 7.5, 1.8$  Hz, 2H), 7.26 (d,  $J = 1.8$  Hz, 1H), 7.23 (d,  $J = 1.8$  Hz, 1H), 7.00 (ddd,  $J = 8.2, 6.5,$

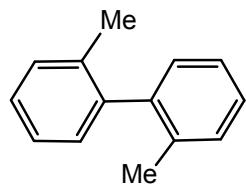
2.8 Hz, 4H), 3.77 (s, 6H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  156.97, 131.40, 128.55, 127.75, 120.28, 111.03, 55.62.

**2,2'-Biphenol (3d)<sup>10</sup>**



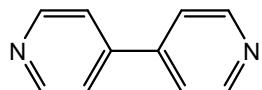
Grey solid, m. p. 281-282 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ )  $\delta$  9.64 – 9.30 (m, 2H), 7.63 – 7.26 (m, 4H), 6.88 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 4H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ )  $\delta$  156.35, 131.31, 127.12, 115.73.

**2,2'-Dimethylbiphenyl (3e)<sup>11</sup>**



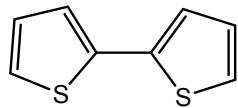
White solid, m. p. 90-92 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.28 – 7.18 (m, 6H), 7.14 – 7.07 (m, 2H), 2.08 – 2.02 (m, 6H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  141.56, 135.78, 129.77, 129.25, 127.12, 125.50, 19.80.

**4,4'-Bipyridine (3f)<sup>12</sup>**



White solid, m. p. 109-111 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.75 (d,  $J = 5.9$  Hz, 4H), 7.55 (d,  $J = 6.0$  Hz, 4H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  150.52, 145.35, 121.27.

**2,2'-Bithiophene (3g)<sup>5</sup>**

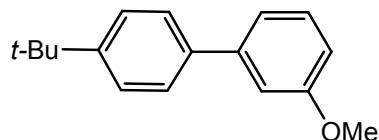


White solid, m. p. 32-33 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.21 (dd,  $J = 5.1, 0.8$  Hz, 2H), 7.18 (dd,  $J = 3.6, 0.7$  Hz, 2H), 7.02 (dd,  $J = 5.0, 3.7$  Hz, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  137.30, 127.74, 124.31, 123.69.

**General procedure for synthesis of asymmetrical biaryl compounds**

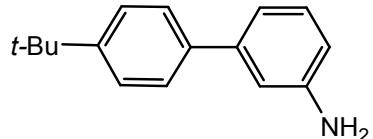
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**3-Methoxy-4'-(*tert*-butyl)-1,1'-biphenyl (**4a**)**<sup>13</sup>



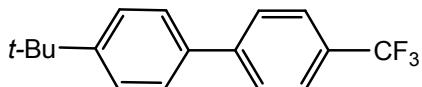
White solid, m. p. 107-109°C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.58 – 7.41 (m, 4H), 7.34 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.21 – 7.14 (m, 1H), 7.14 – 7.09 (m, 1H), 6.88 (ddd, *J* = 8.2, 2.6, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 1.36 (s, 9H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 159.86, 150.40, 142.59, 138.16, 129.65, 126.80, 125.66, 119.54, 112.72, 112.37, 55.23, 34.52, 31.34.

**4'-(*tert*-Butyl)-[1,1'-biphenyl]-3-amine (**4b**)**<sup>14</sup>



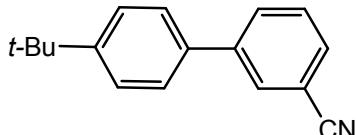
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**4-(*tert*-Butyl)-4'-(trifluoromethyl)-1,1'-biphenyl (**4c**)**<sup>15</sup>



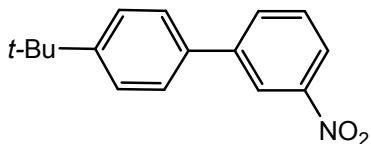
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**4'-(*tert*-Butyl)-[1,1'-biphenyl]-3-carbonitrile (4d) <sup>14</sup>**



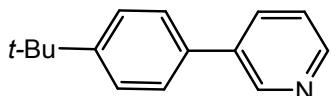
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**4'-(*tert*-Butyl)-3-nitro-1,1'-biphenyl (4e) <sup>16</sup>**



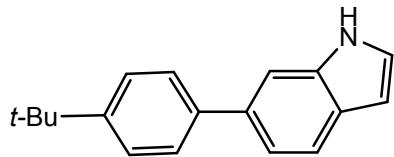
White solid, m. p. 111-112°C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.45 (t,  $J$  = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 8.18 (ddd,  $J$  = 8.2, 2.3, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.91 (ddd,  $J$  = 7.8, 1.7, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.65 – 7.48 (m, 5H), 1.38 (s, 9H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, )  $\delta$  151.69, 148.64, 142.62, 135.63, 132.74, 129.56, 126.73, 126.06, 121.65, 121.63, 34.59, 31.22.

**3-[4-(*tert*-Butyl)phenyl]pyridine (4f) <sup>17</sup>**



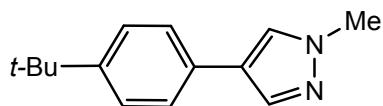
White solid, m. p. 87-88°C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.85 (d,  $J$  = 1.7 Hz, 1H), 8.57 (dd,  $J$  = 4.8, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.88 (ddd,  $J$  = 7.9, 2.3, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.52 (d,  $J$  = 1.9 Hz, 4H), 7.36 (ddd,  $J$  = 7.9, 4.8, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 1.37 (s, 9H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  151.20, 148.12, 148.07, 136.43, 134.81, 134.14, 126.74, 126.00, 123.47, 34.56, 31.20.

**6-[4-(*tert*-Butyl)phenyl]-1*H*-indole (4g) <sup>18</sup>**



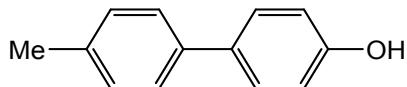
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**4-[4-(*tert*-Butyl)phenyl]-1-methyl-1*H*-pyrazole (4h)<sup>19</sup>**



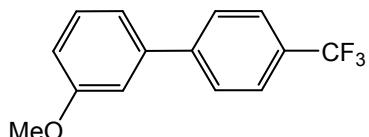
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**4'-Methyl-[1,1'-biphenyl]-4-ol (6a)<sup>20</sup> (Table 6, entry 1)**



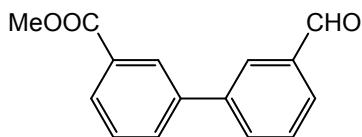
White solid, m. p. 153-154°C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.45 (t,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 4H), 7.23 (d,  $J = 7.9$  Hz, 2H), 6.90 (d,  $J = 8.6$  Hz, 2H), 4.96 (s, 1H), 2.39 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  154.77, 137.80, 136.39, 133.86, 129.41, 128.15, 126.52, 115.52, 21.06.

**3-Methoxyl-4'-(trifluoromethyl)-1,1'-biphenyl (6b)<sup>21</sup> (Table 6, entry 2)**



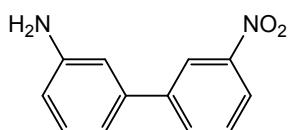
White solid, m. p. 156-158°C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.68 (s, 4H), 7.39 (t,  $J = 7.9$  Hz, 1H), 7.18 (ddd,  $J = 7.6, 1.6, 1.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.14 – 7.10 (m, 1H), 6.95 (ddd,  $J = 8.2, 2.6, 0.9$  Hz, 1H), 3.87 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  160.06, 144.56, 141.20, 129.99, 127.42, 125.62, 125.68, 125.59, 119.69, 113.41, 113.10, 55.25.

**Methyl 3'-formyl-[1,1'-biphenyl]-3-carboxylate (6c)<sup>22</sup> (Table 6, entry 3)**



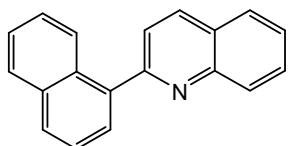
White solid, m. p. 101-103 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 10.03 (s, 1H), 8.07 (dd, *J* = 5.8, 4.0 Hz, 3H), 7.83 (ddd, *J* = 7.9, 4.8, 1.4 Hz, 2H), 7.65 – 7.61 (m, 2H), 7.57 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 3.88 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 192.05, 166.75, 143.98, 140.93, 136.95, 133.08, 130.27, 129.66, 129.58, 129.49, 128.14, 127.08, 52.22.

**3'-Nitro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-3-amine (6d)<sup>23</sup> (Table 6, entry 4)**



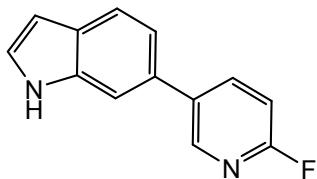
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**2-(Naphthalen-1-yl)quinoline (6e)<sup>24</sup> (Table 6, entry 5)**



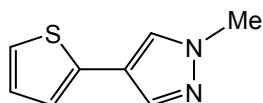
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**6-(6-Fluoropyridin-3-yl)-1*H*-indole (6f)<sup>25</sup> (Table 6, entry 6)**



White solid, m. p. 69-71 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.47 (dd, *J* = 1.6, 0.7 Hz, 1H), 8.40 (brs, 1H), 8.02 (ddd, *J* = 8.4, 7.7, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (d, *J* = 0.7 Hz, 1H), 7.33 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.00 (ddd, *J* = 8.5, 3.0, 0.6 Hz, 1H), 6.60 (ddd, *J* = 3.0, 2.0, 0.9 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 163.93, 145.75, 139.88, 136.26, 135.97, 130.70, 127.79, 125.39, 121.41, 119.33, 109.51, 109.09, 102.65.

### **1-Methyl-4-(thiophen-2-yl)-1*H*-pyrazole (6g) <sup>24</sup> (Table 6, entry 7)**



White solid, m. p. 64-65 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.66 (s, 1H), 7.54 (s, 1H), 7.16 (dd, *J* = 5.0, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.03 (ddd, *J* = 8.5, 4.2, 2.4 Hz, 2H), 3.92 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 136.93, 135.00, 127.56, 126.99, 122.90, 122.37, 117.08, 39.03.

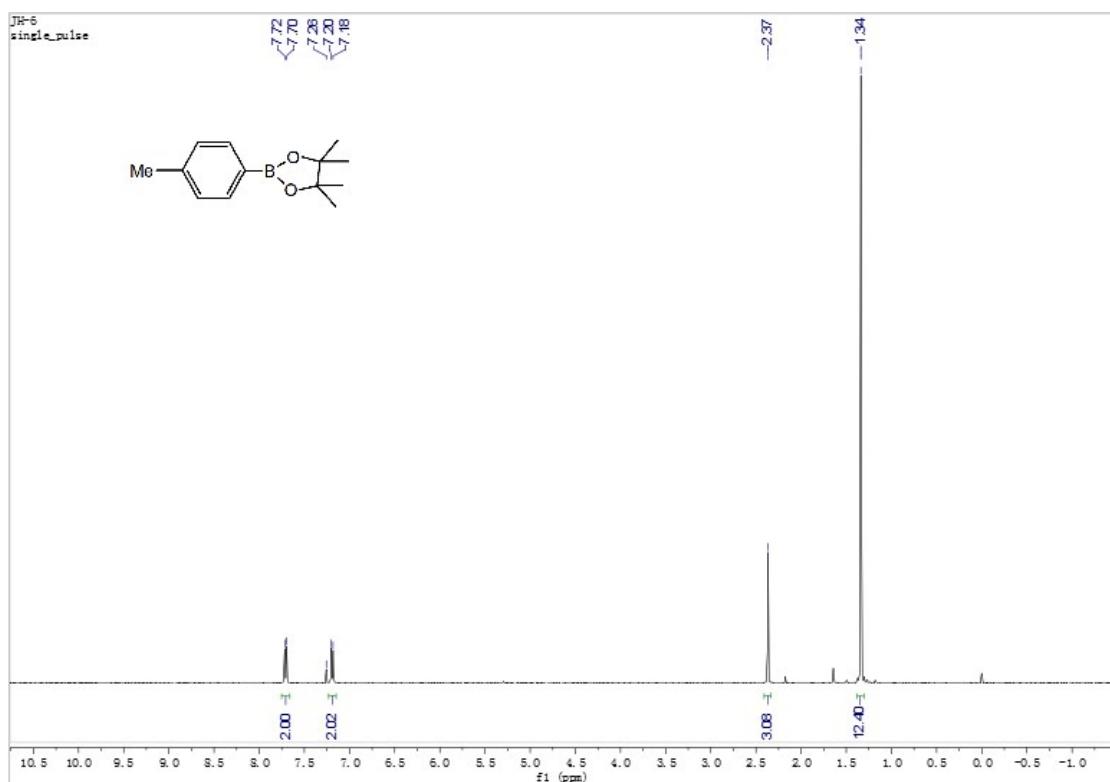
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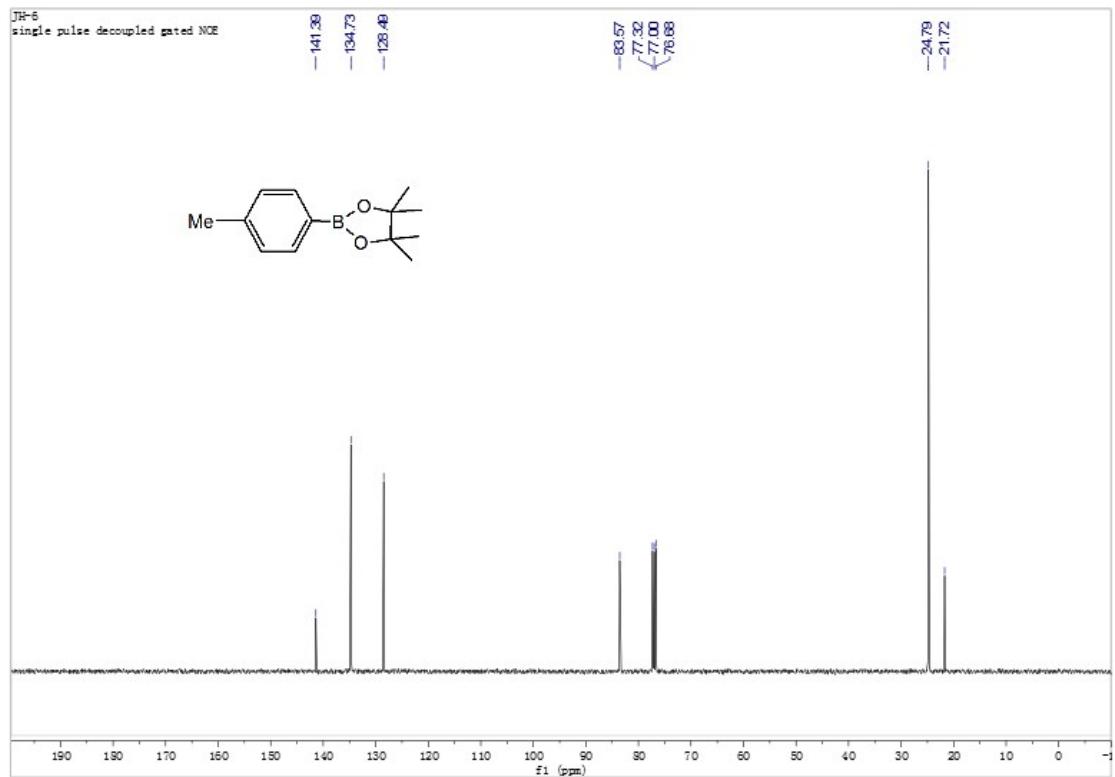
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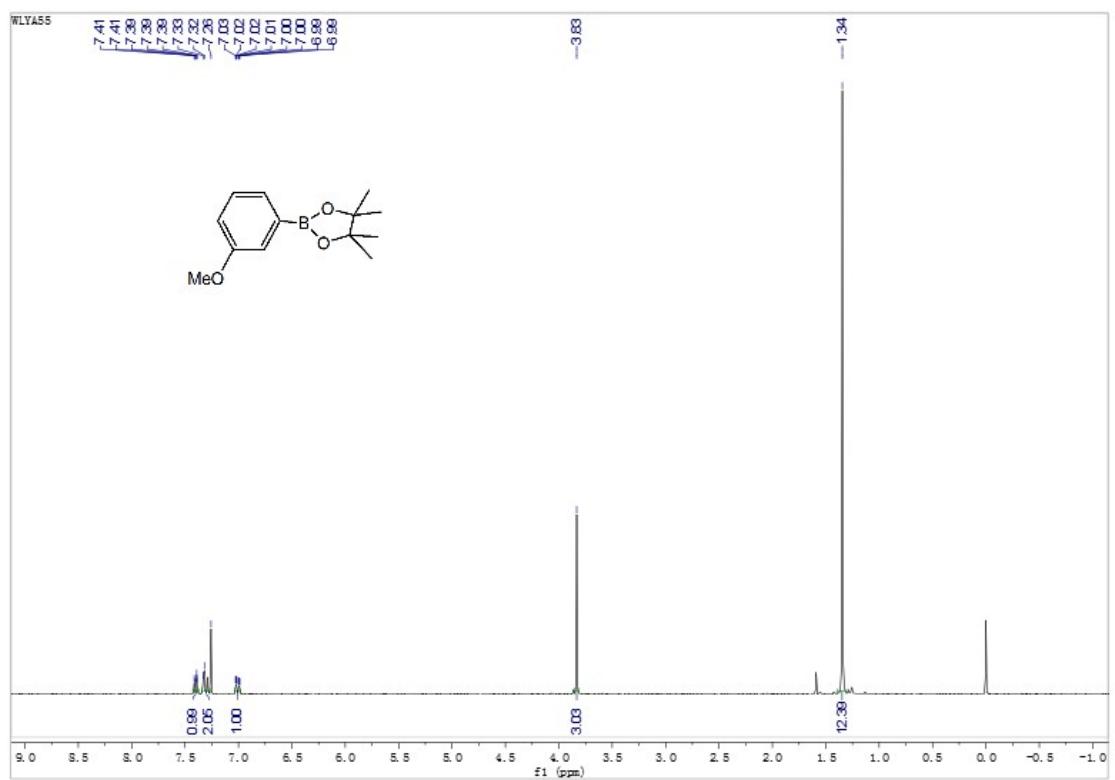
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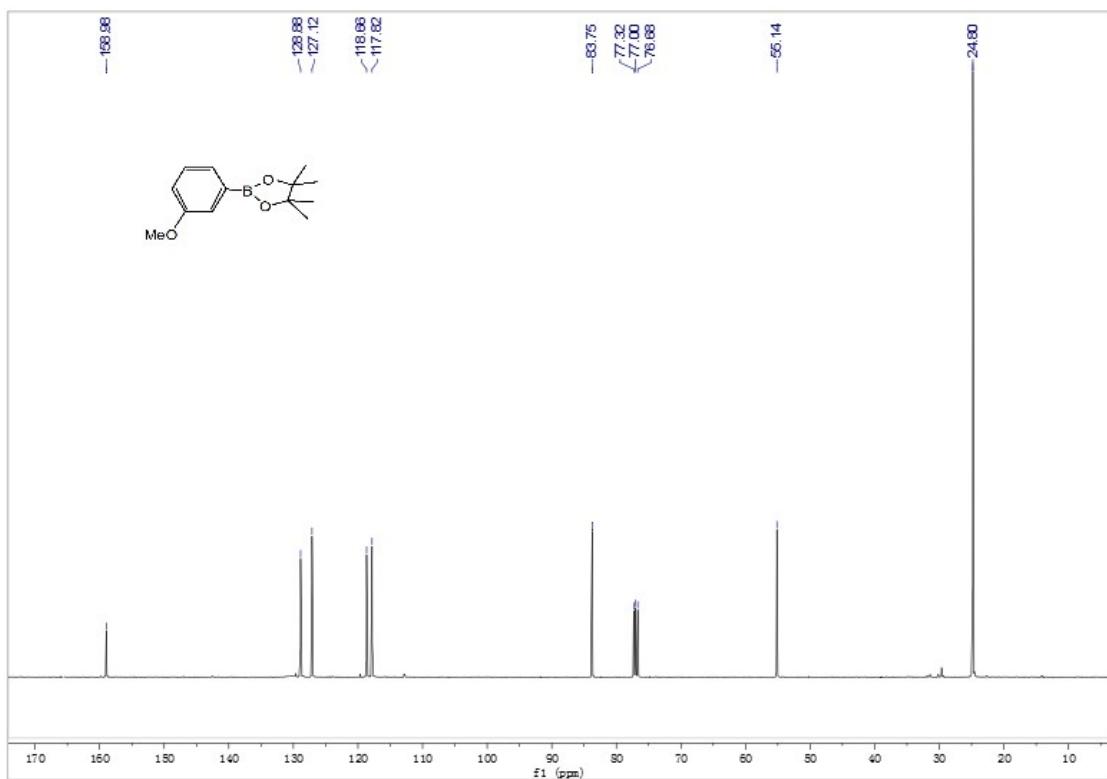
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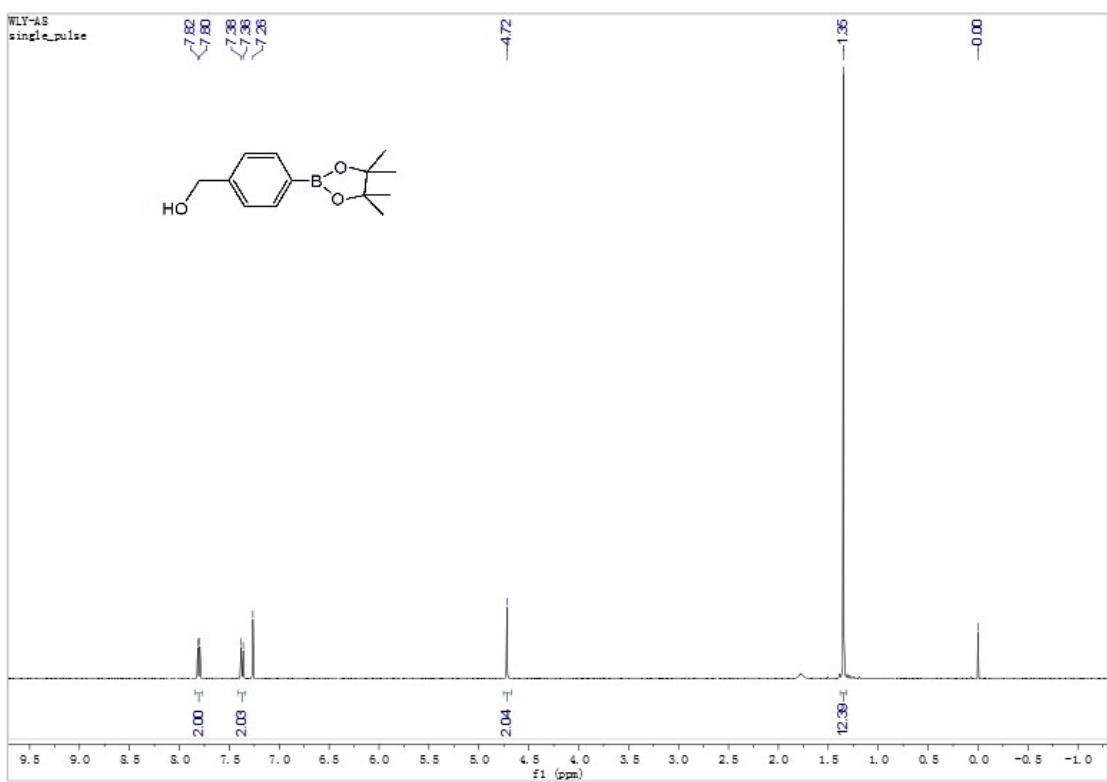


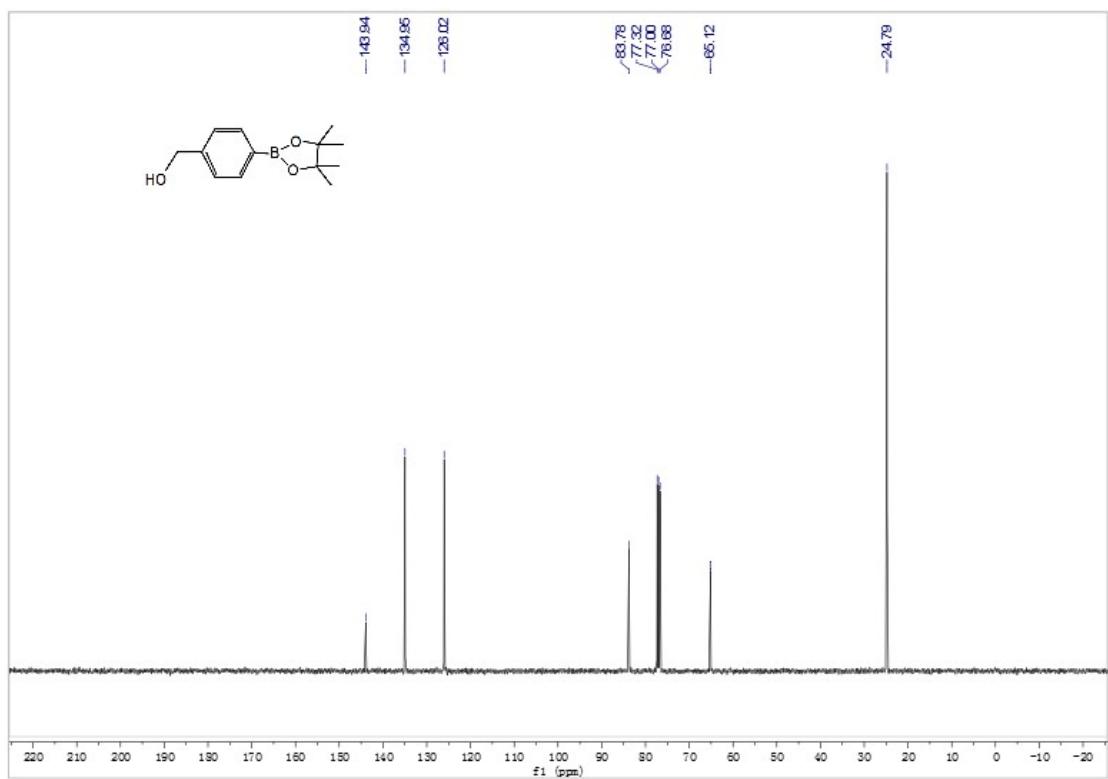
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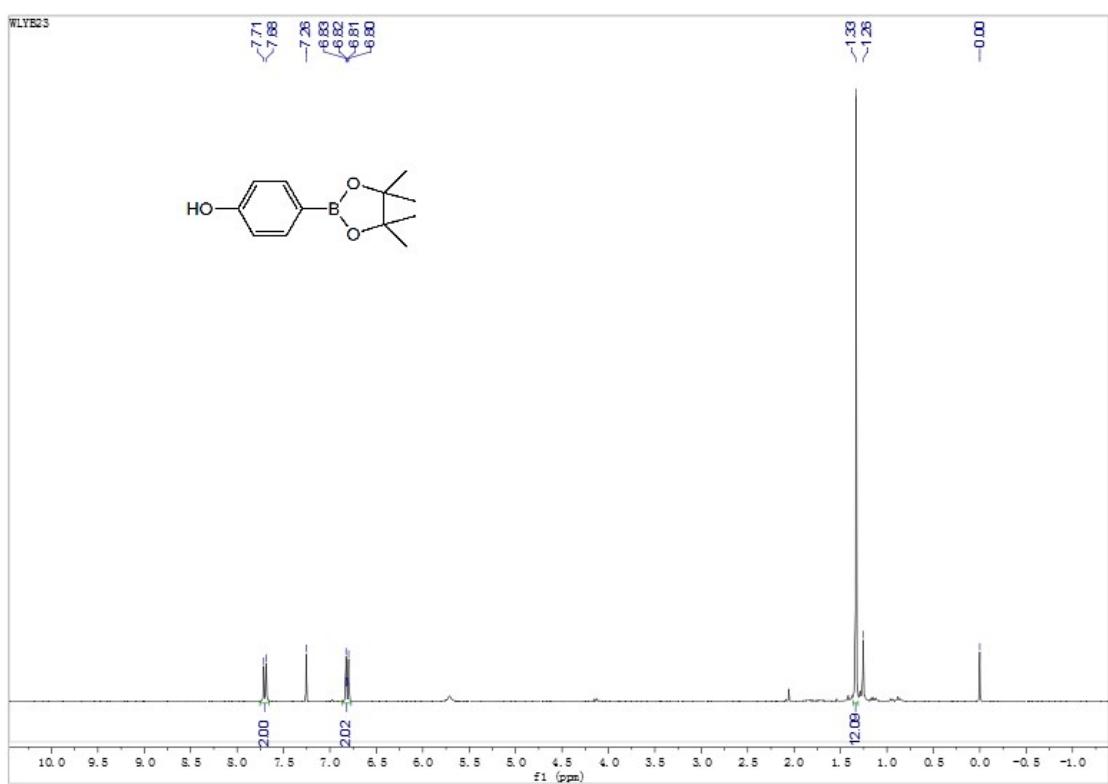


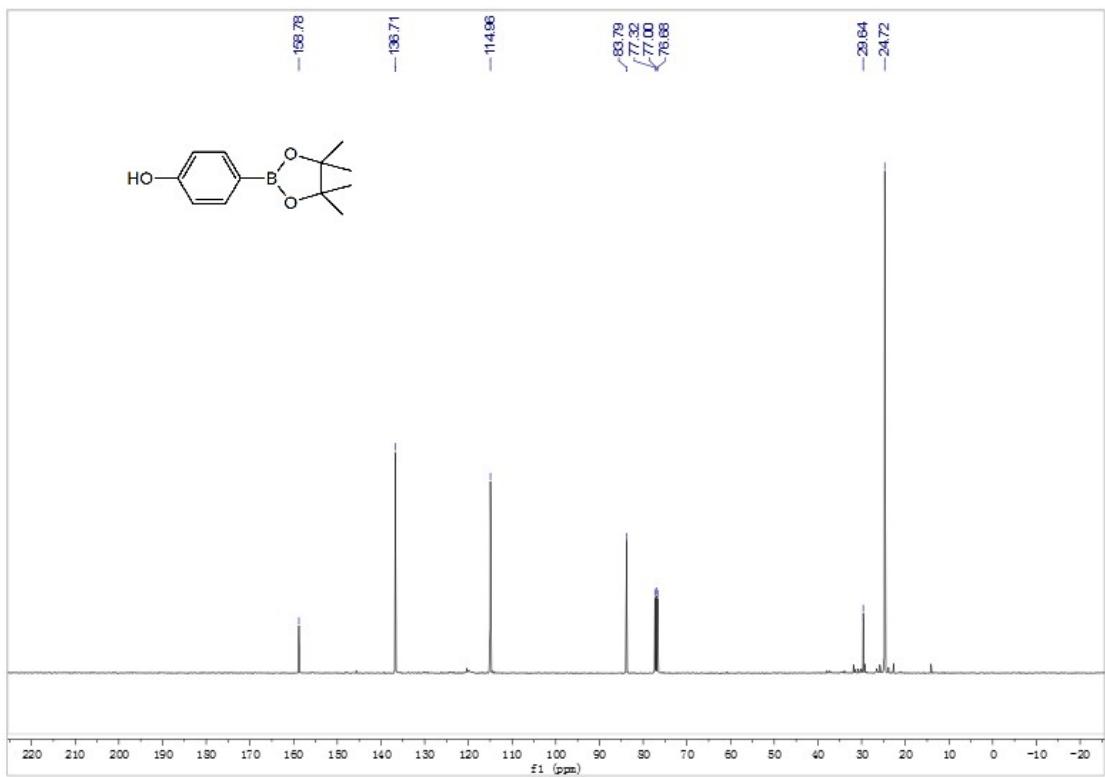
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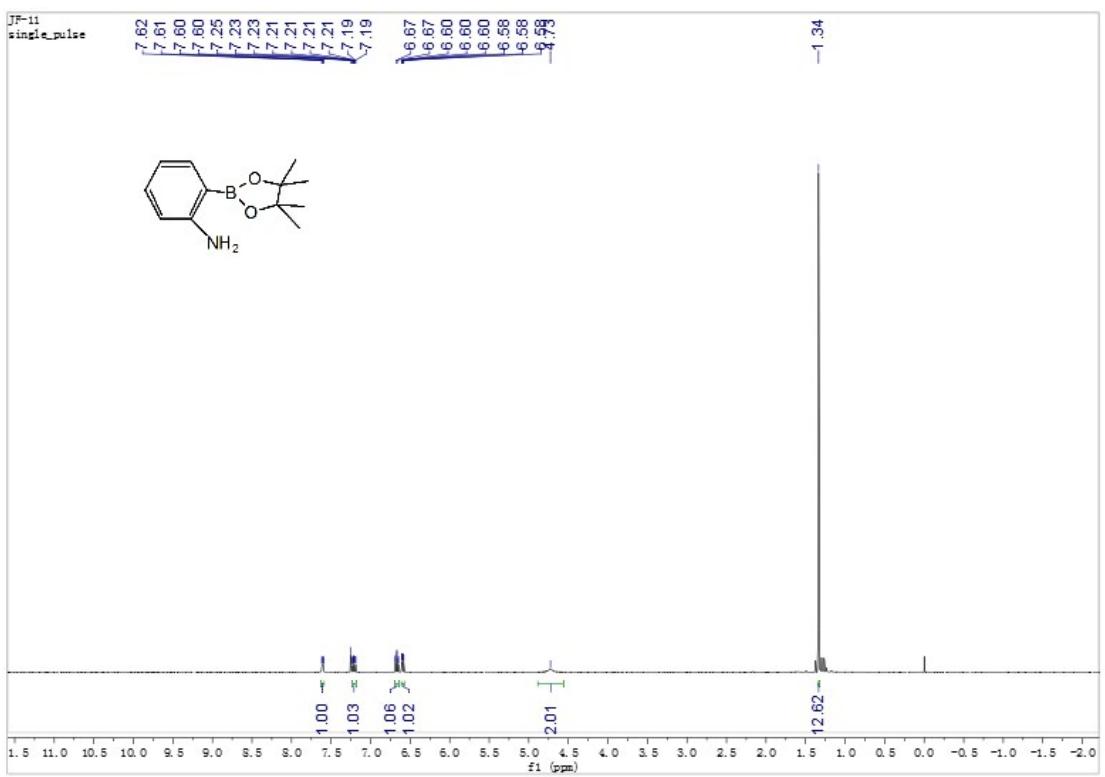


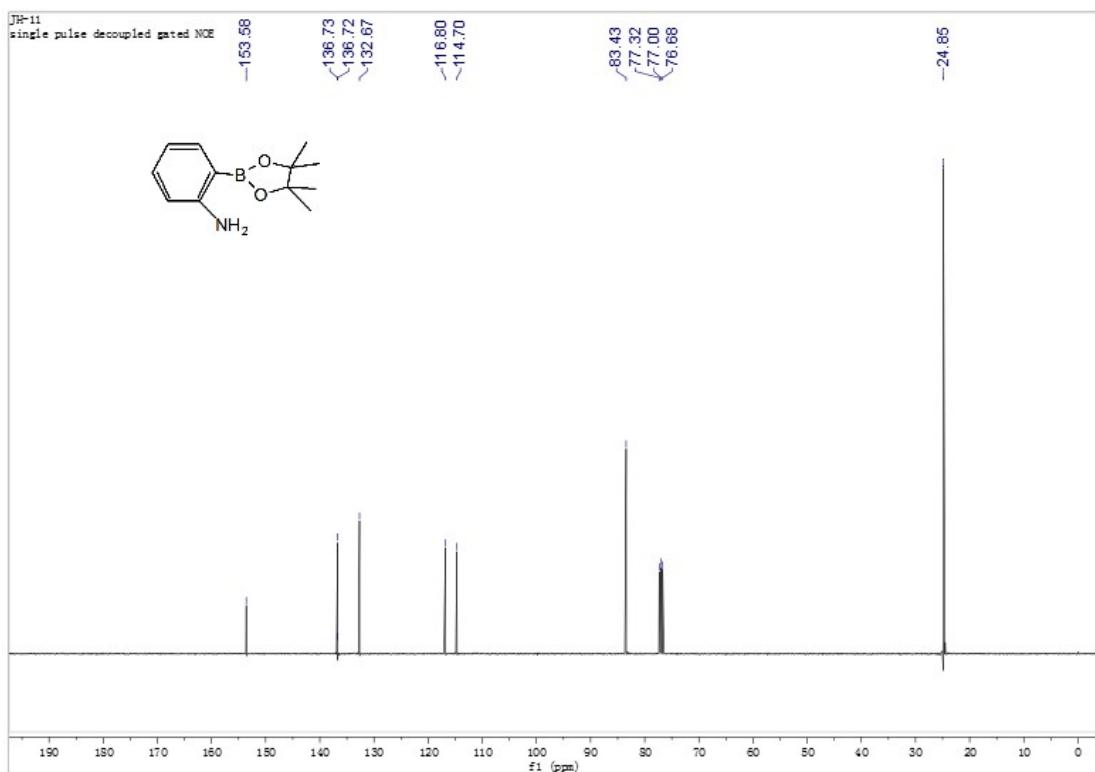
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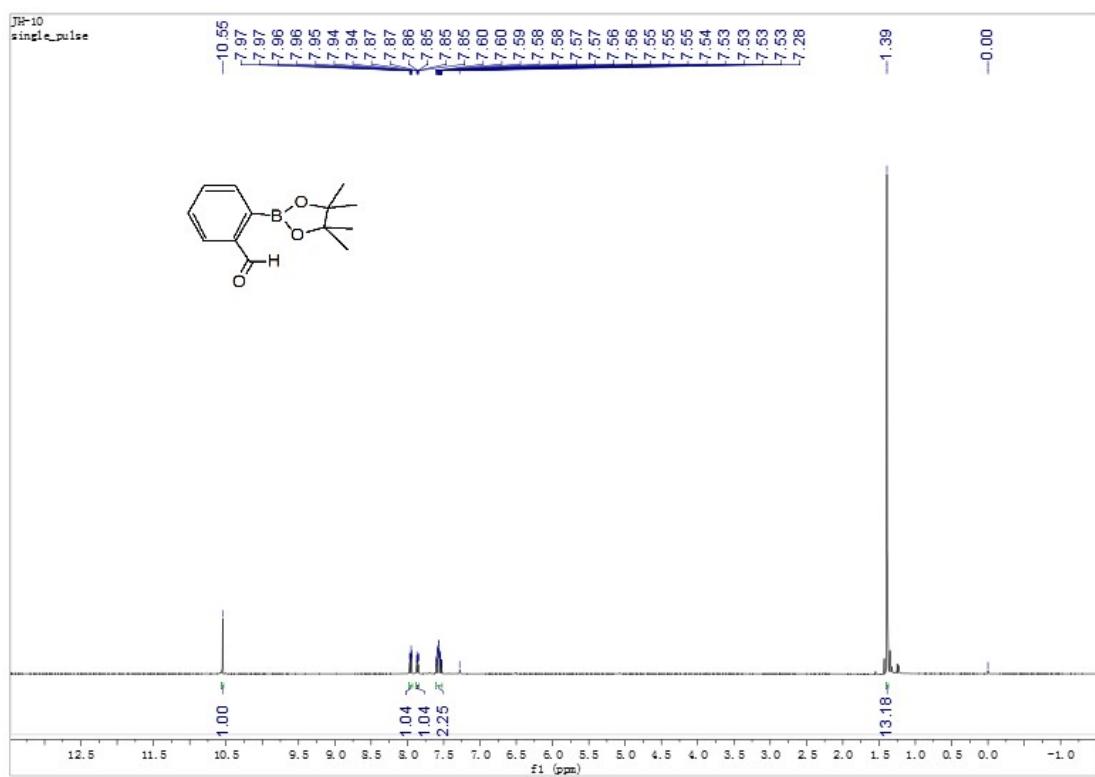


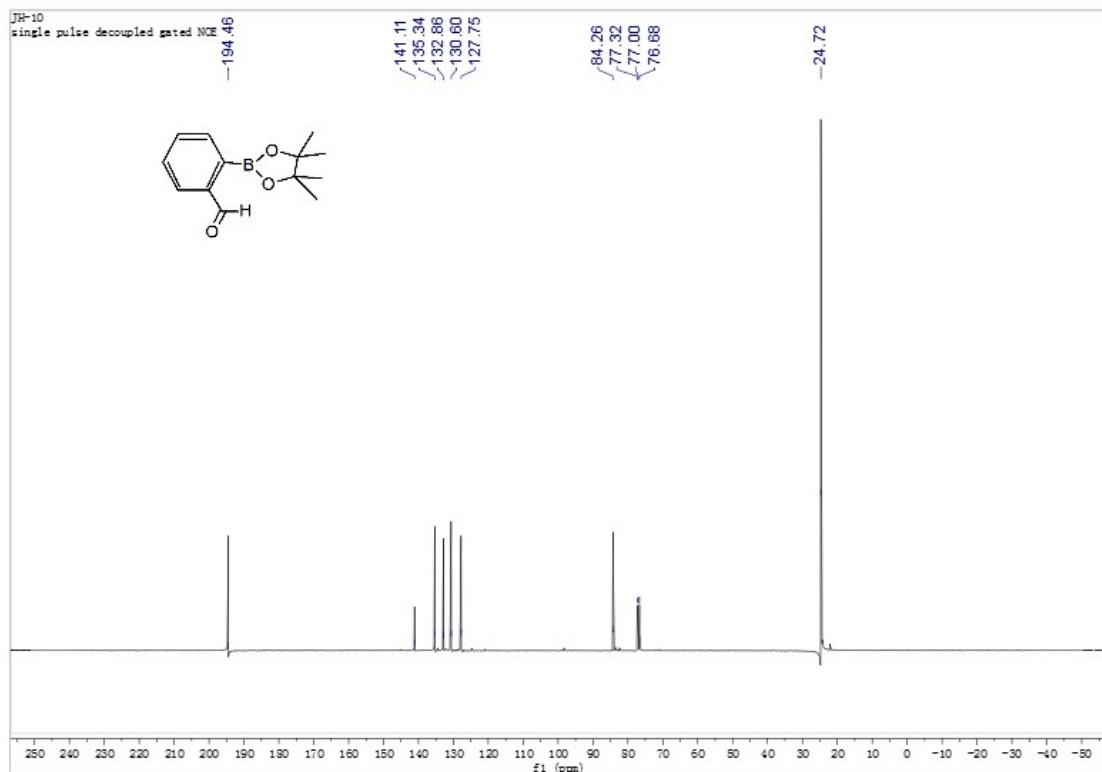
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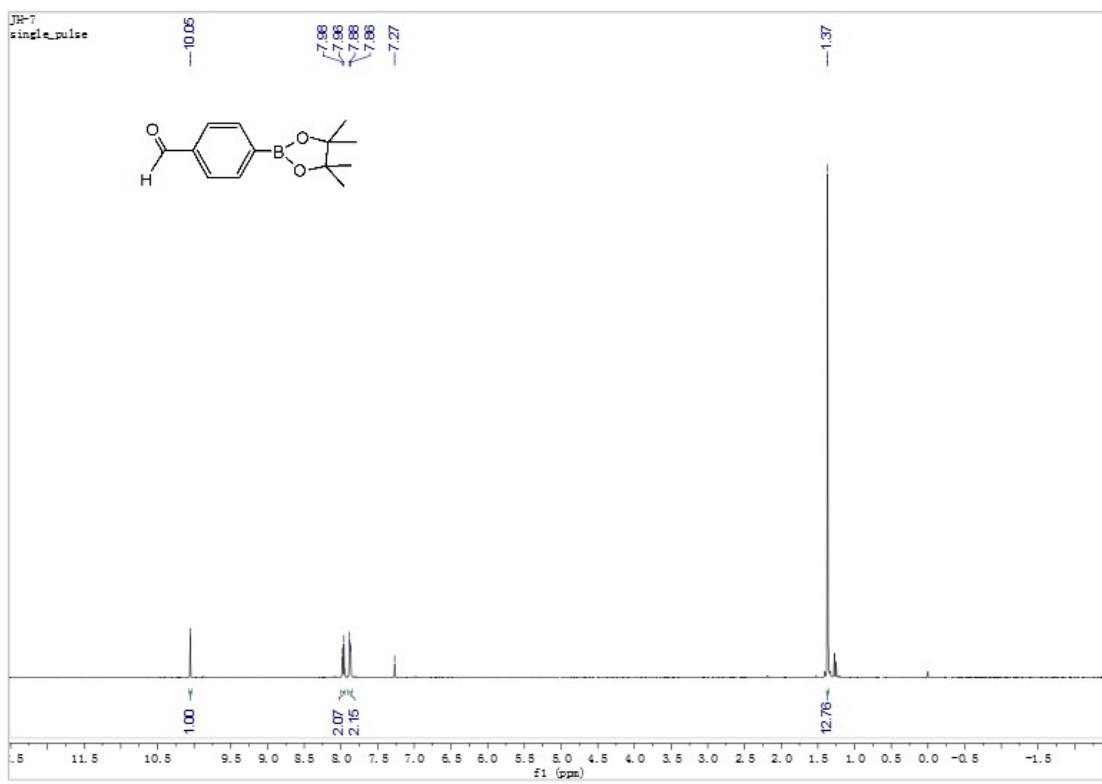


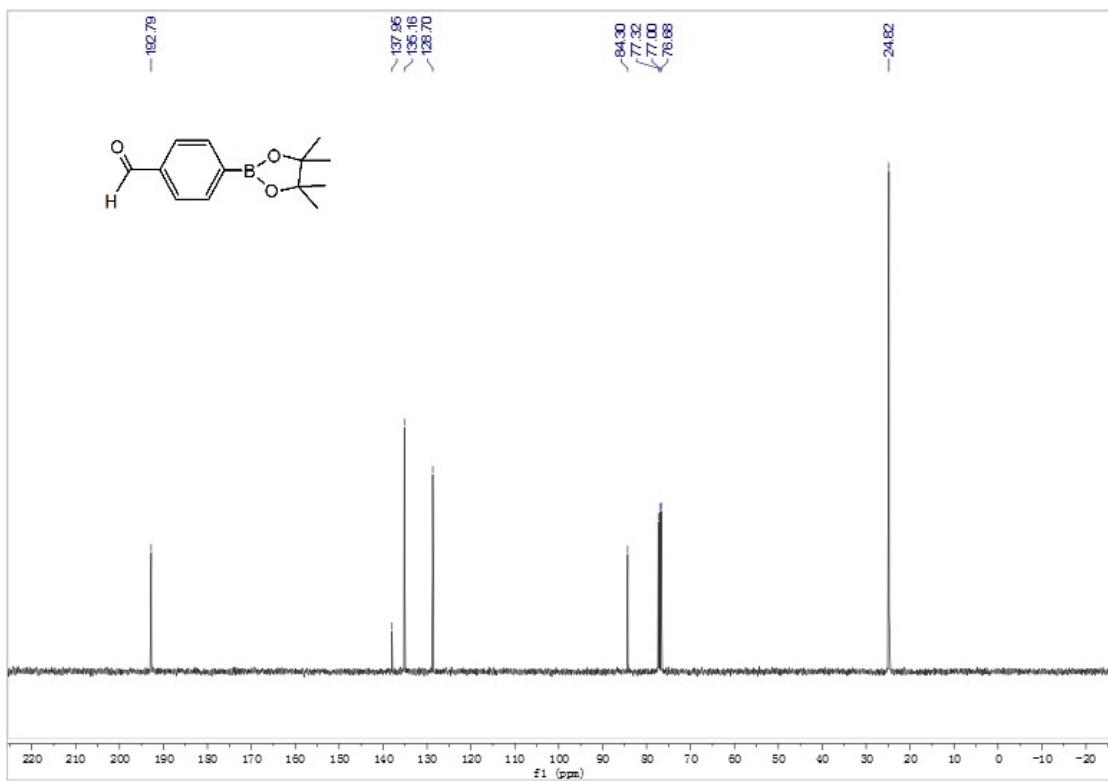
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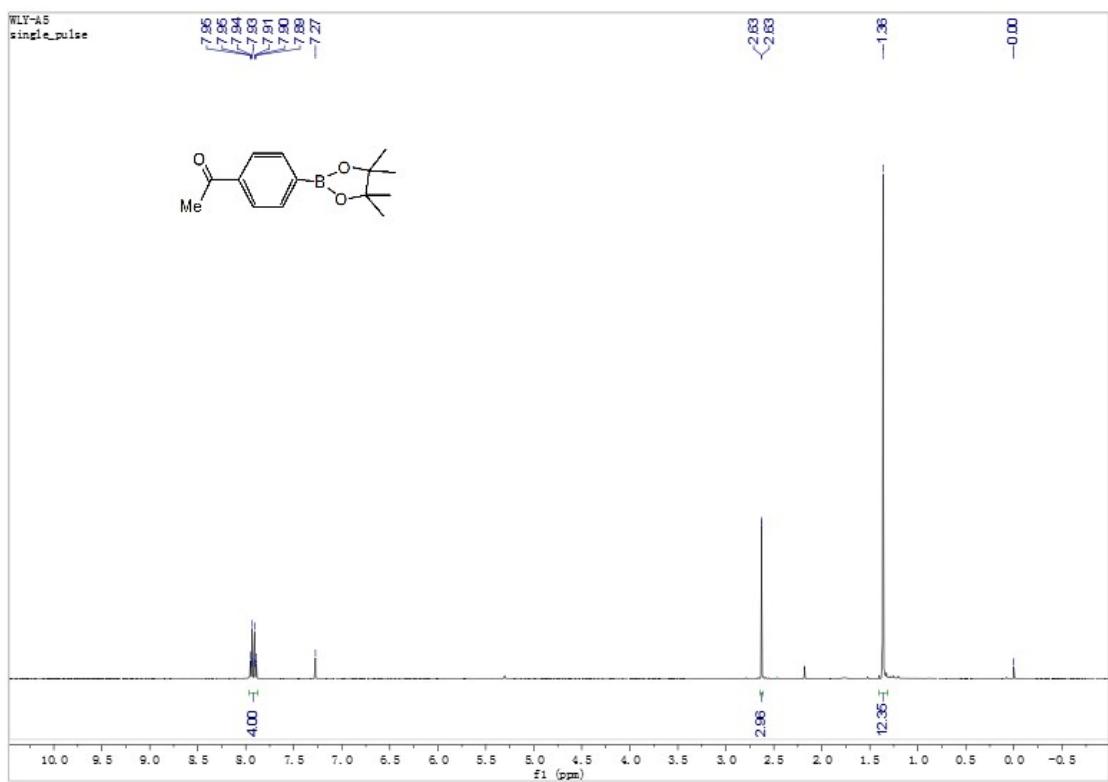


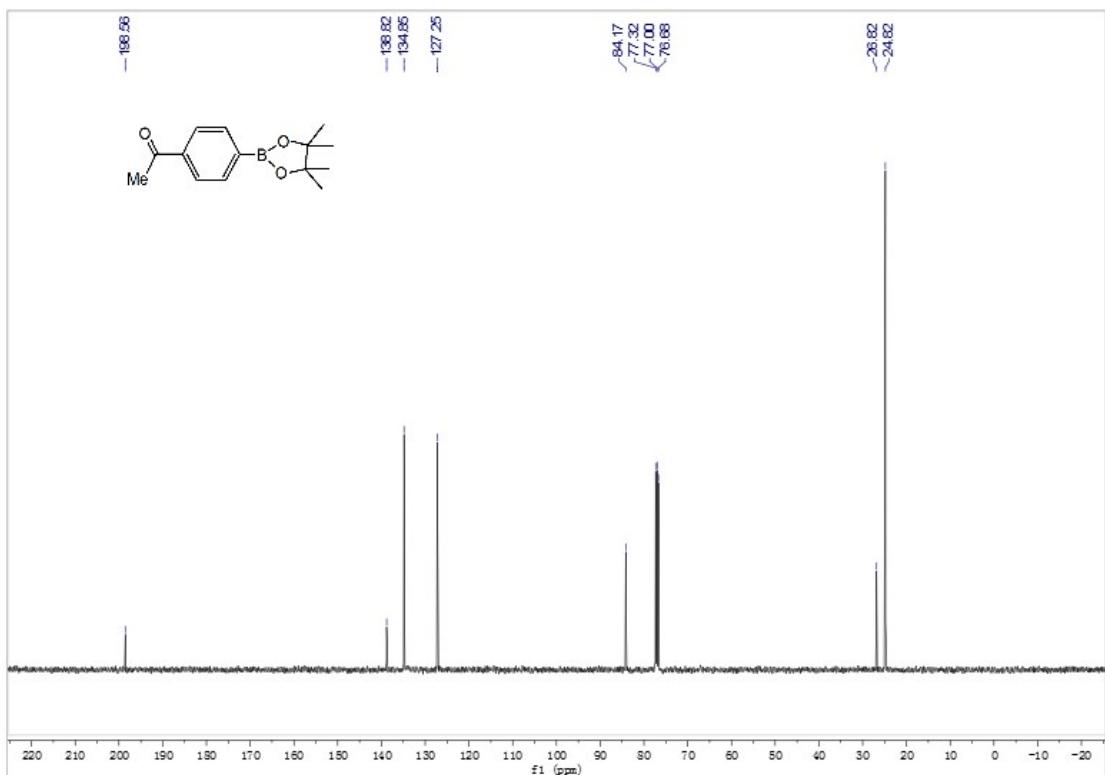
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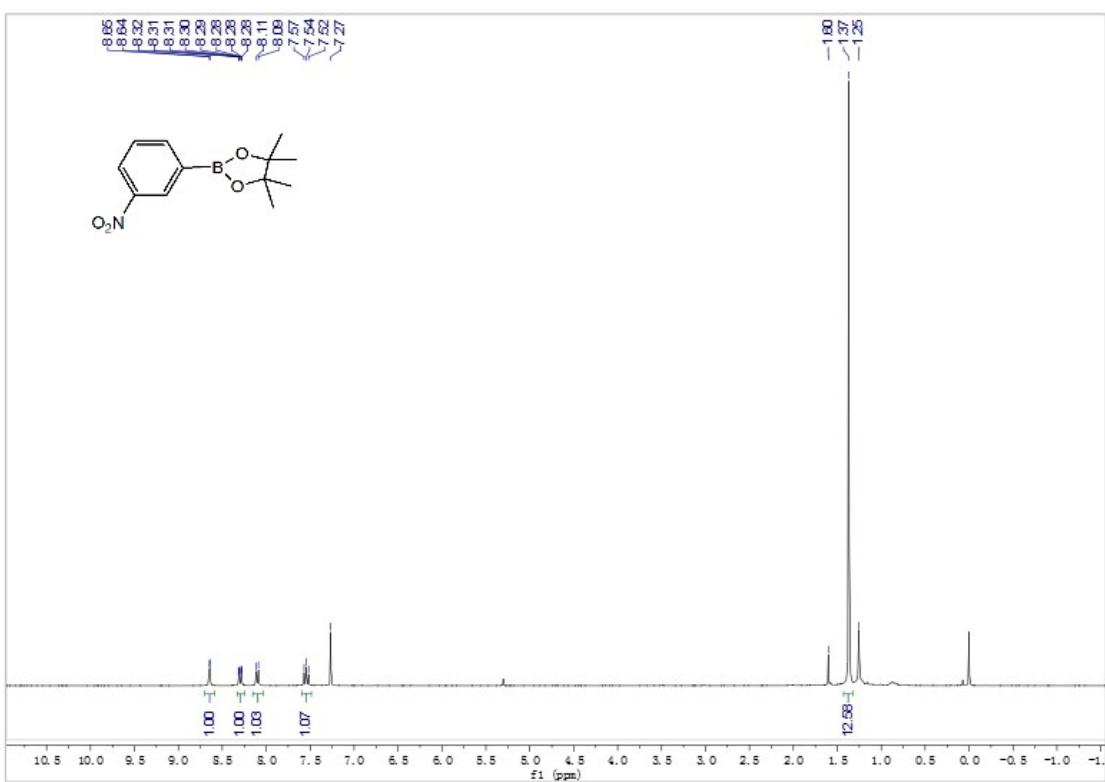


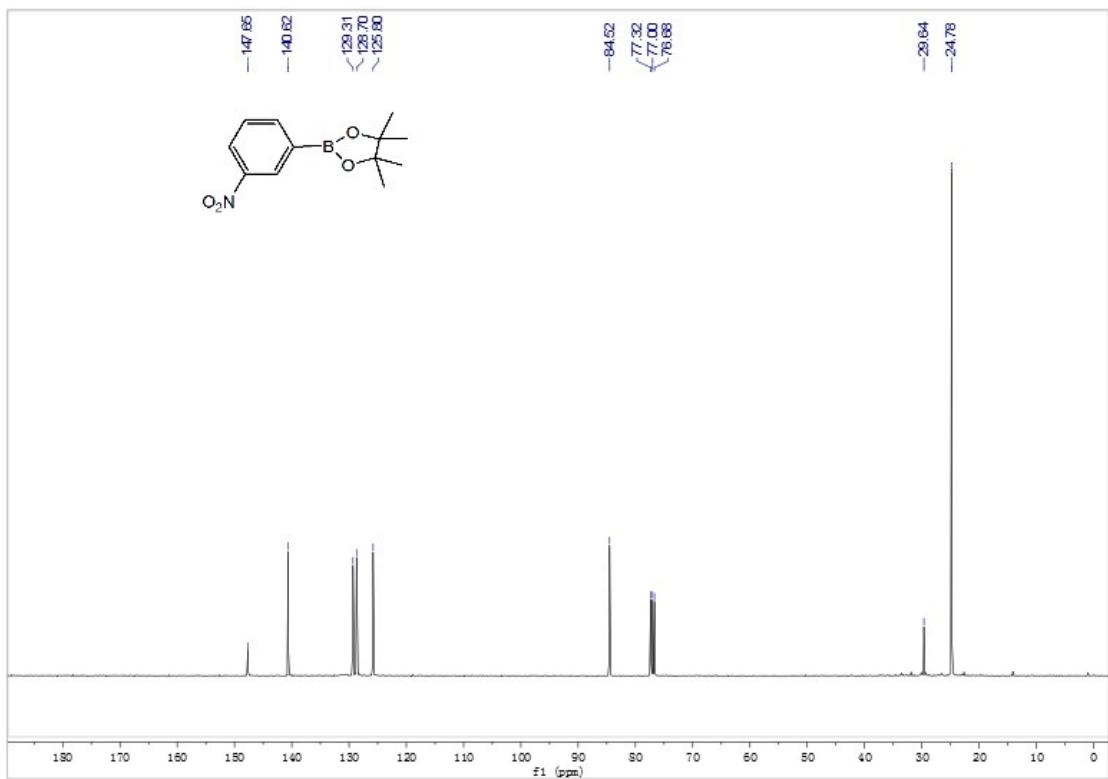
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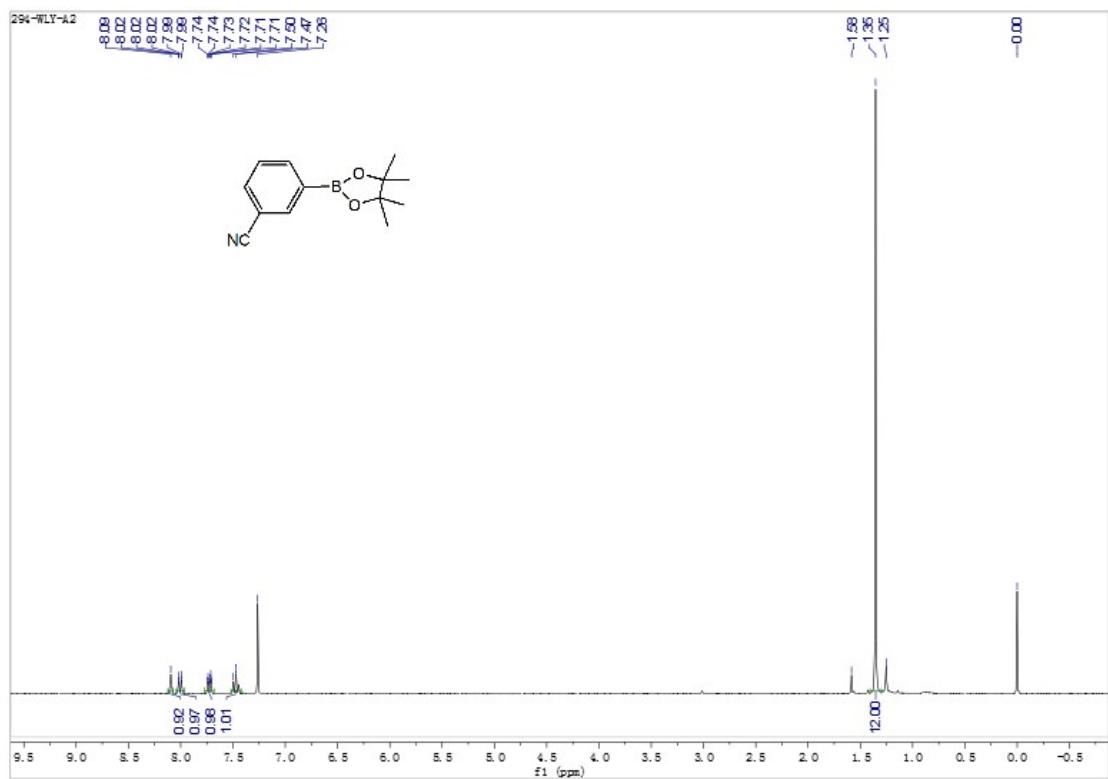


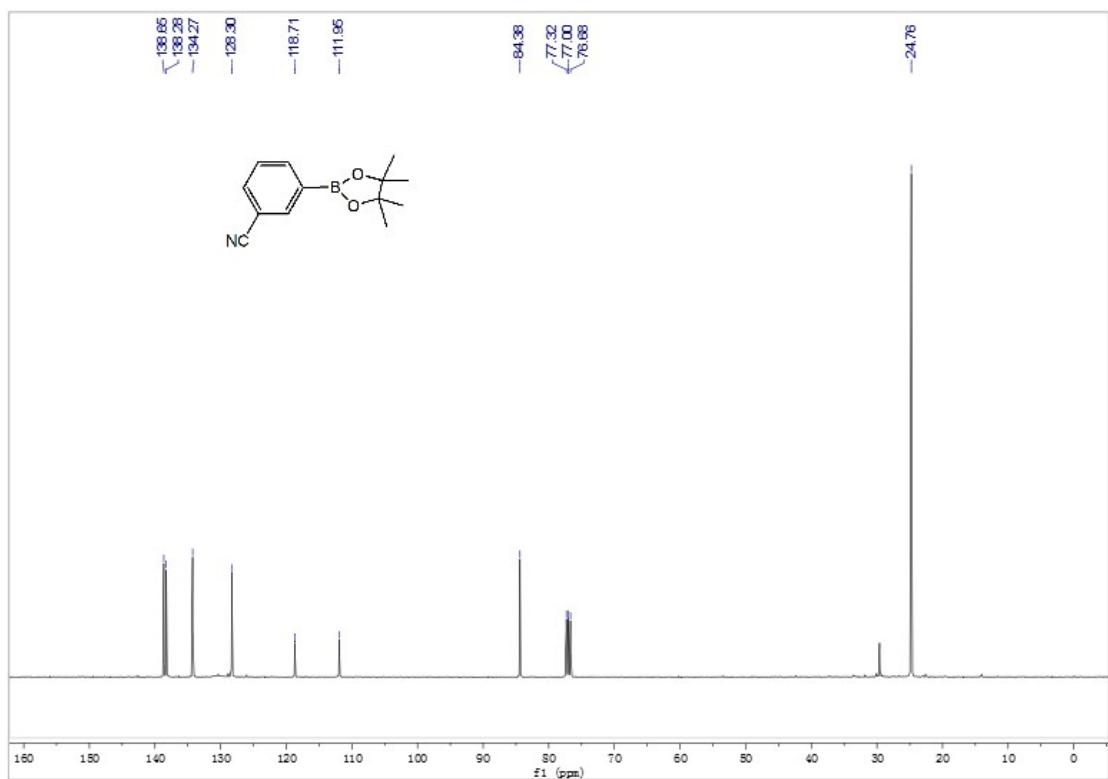
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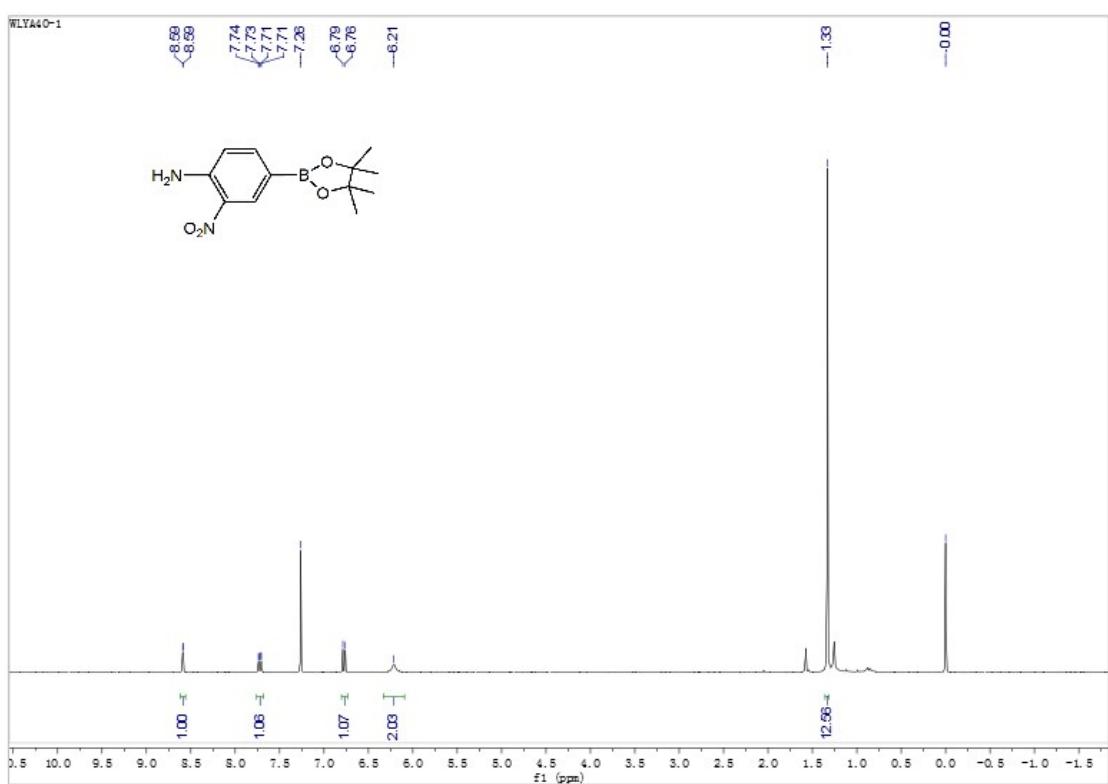


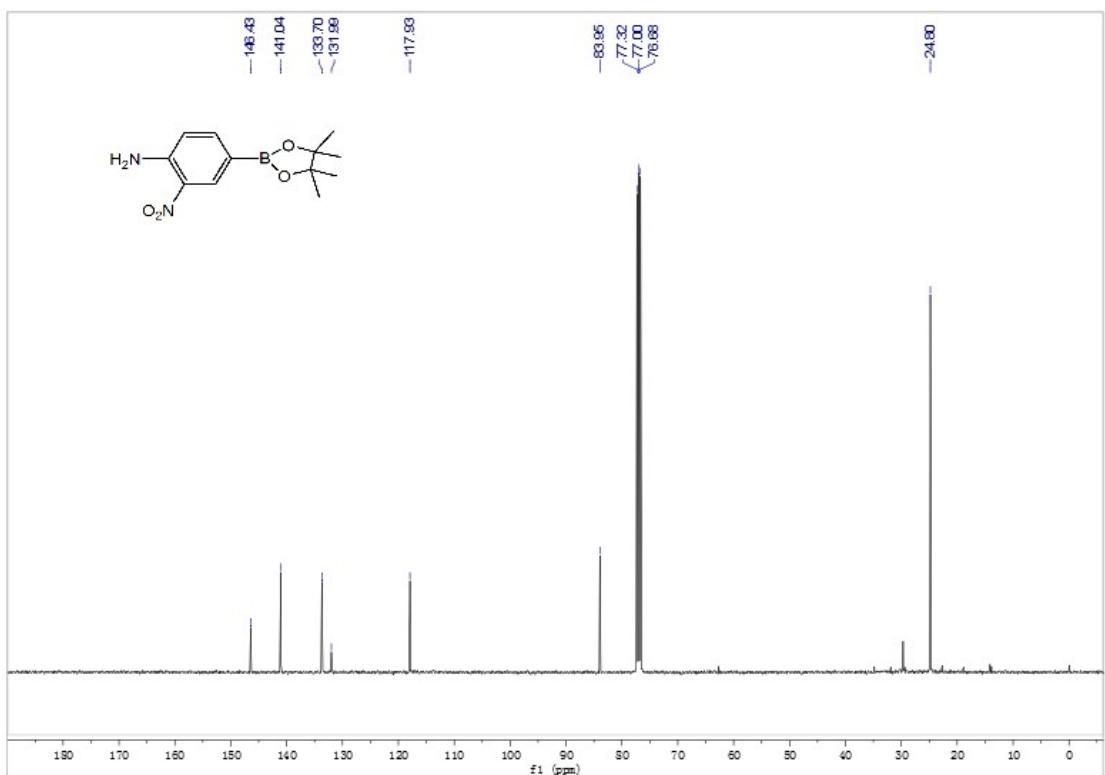
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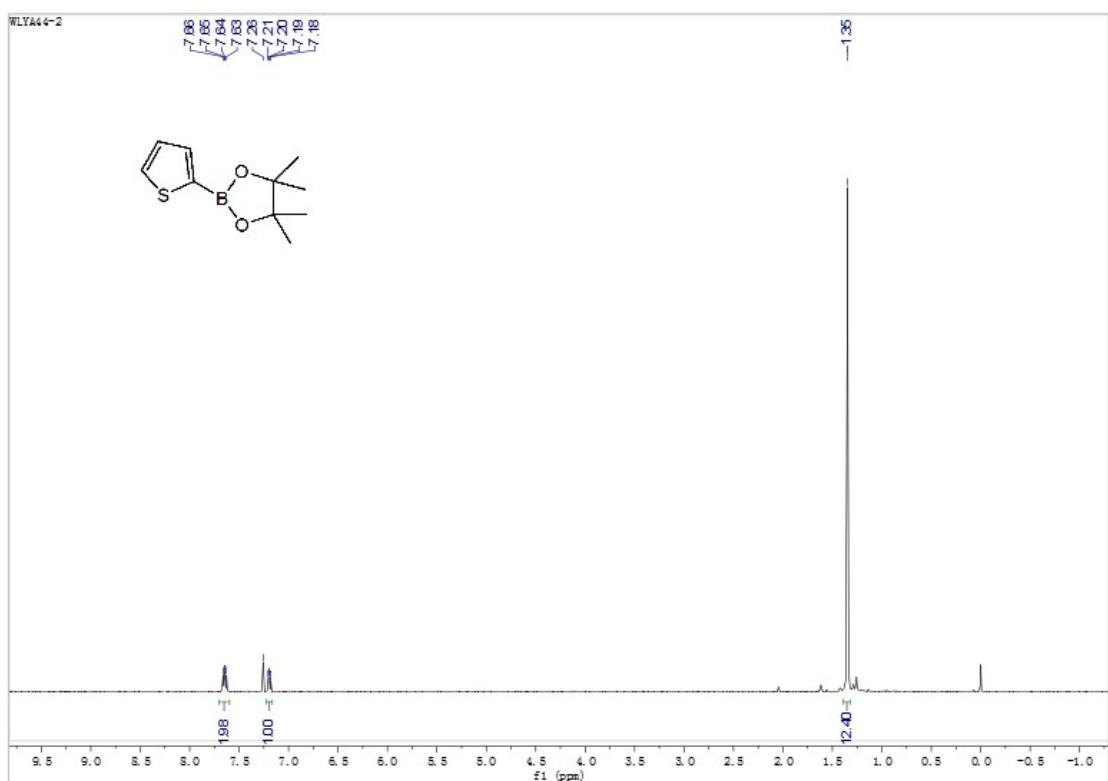


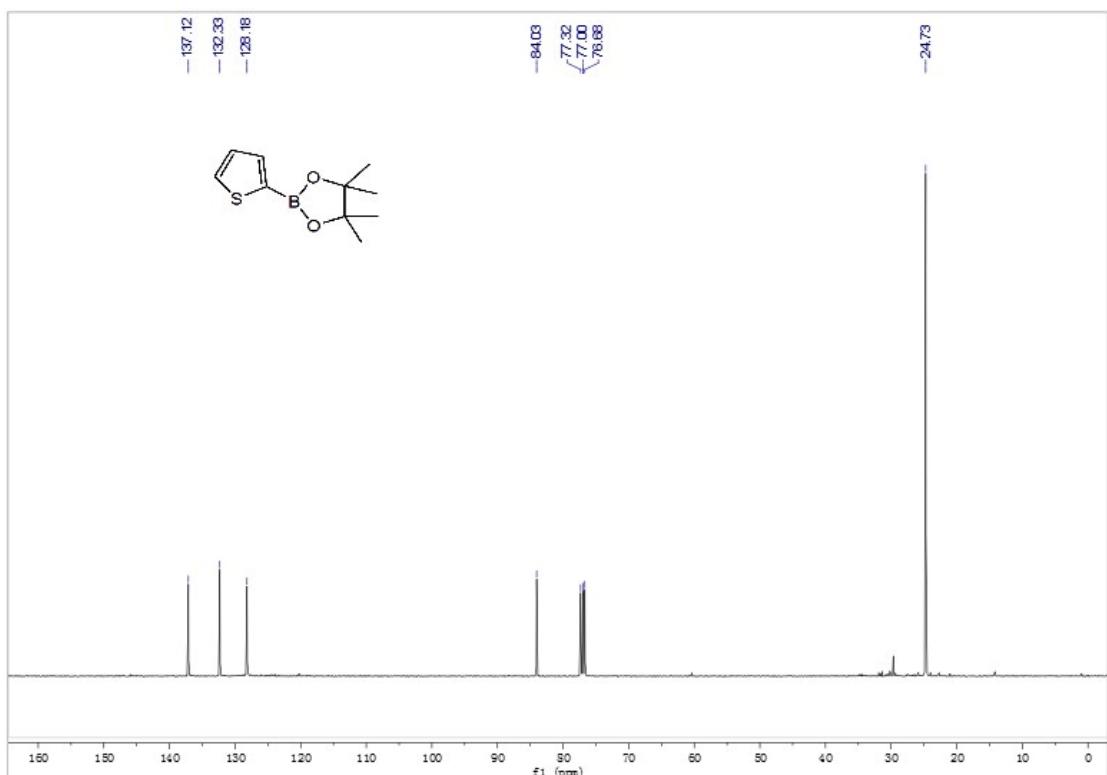
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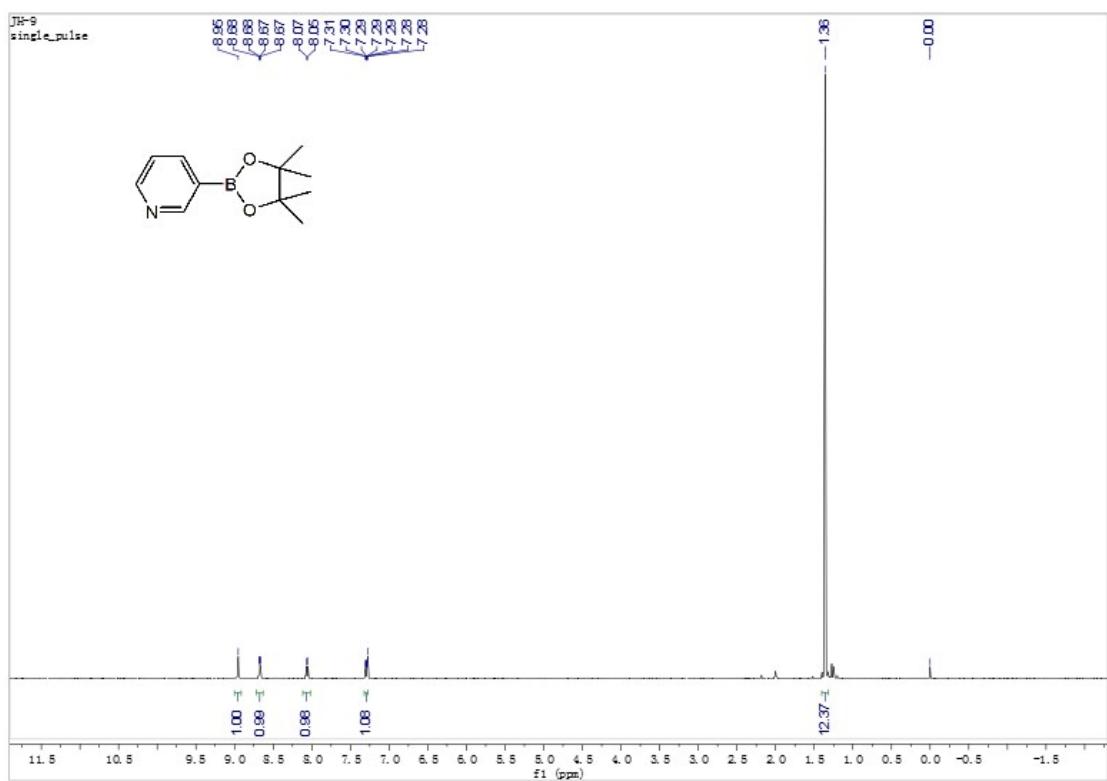


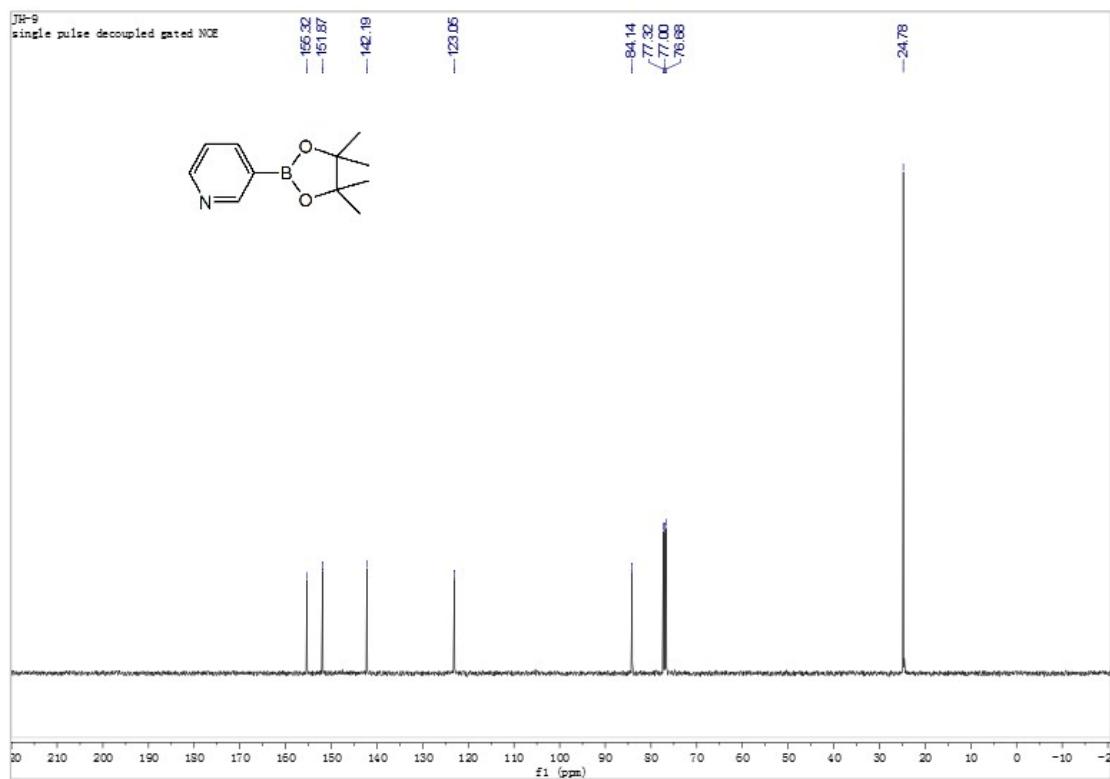
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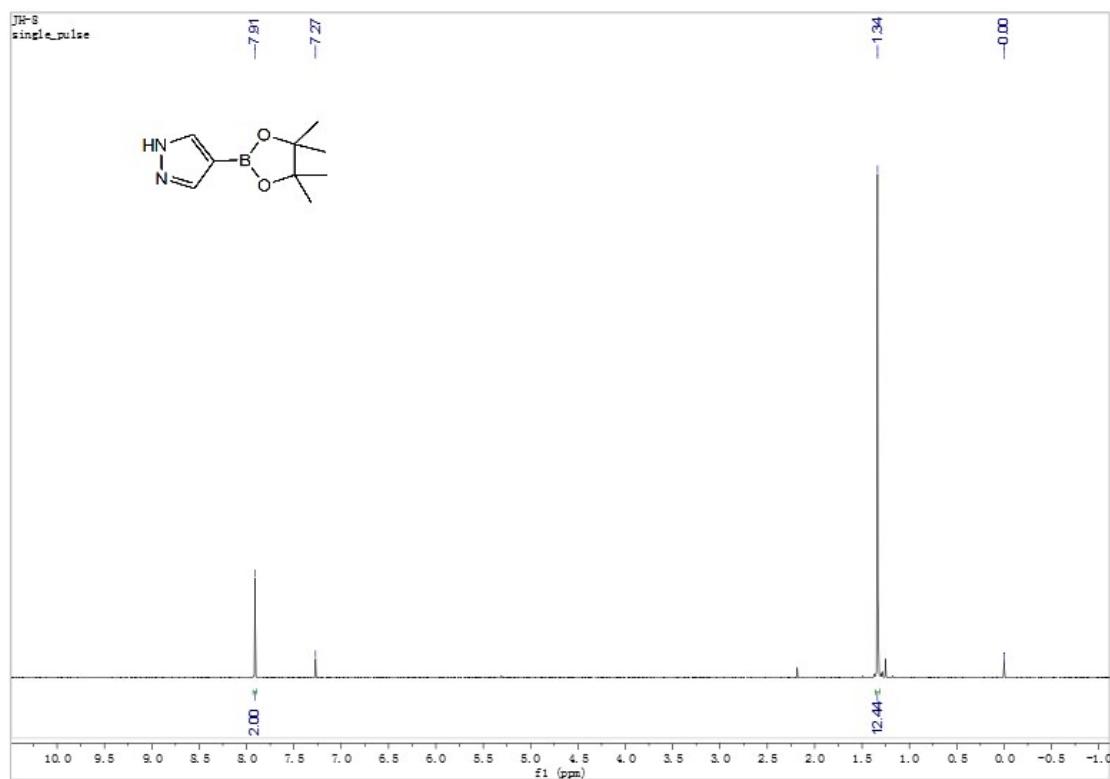


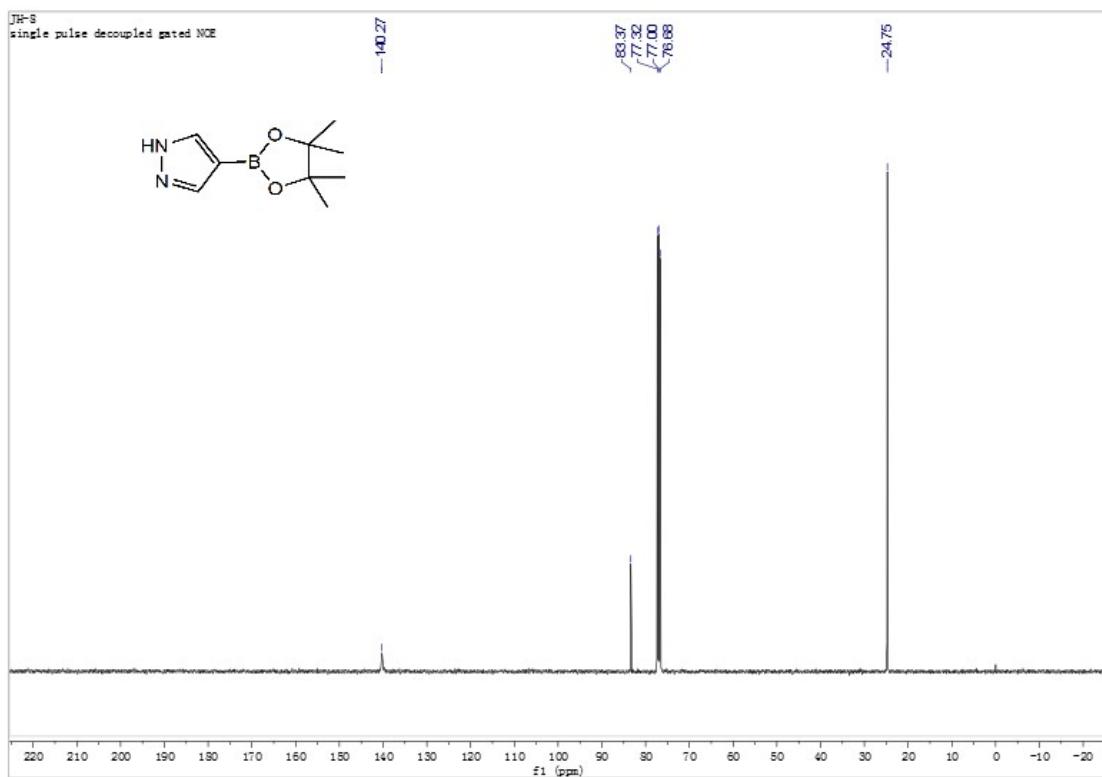
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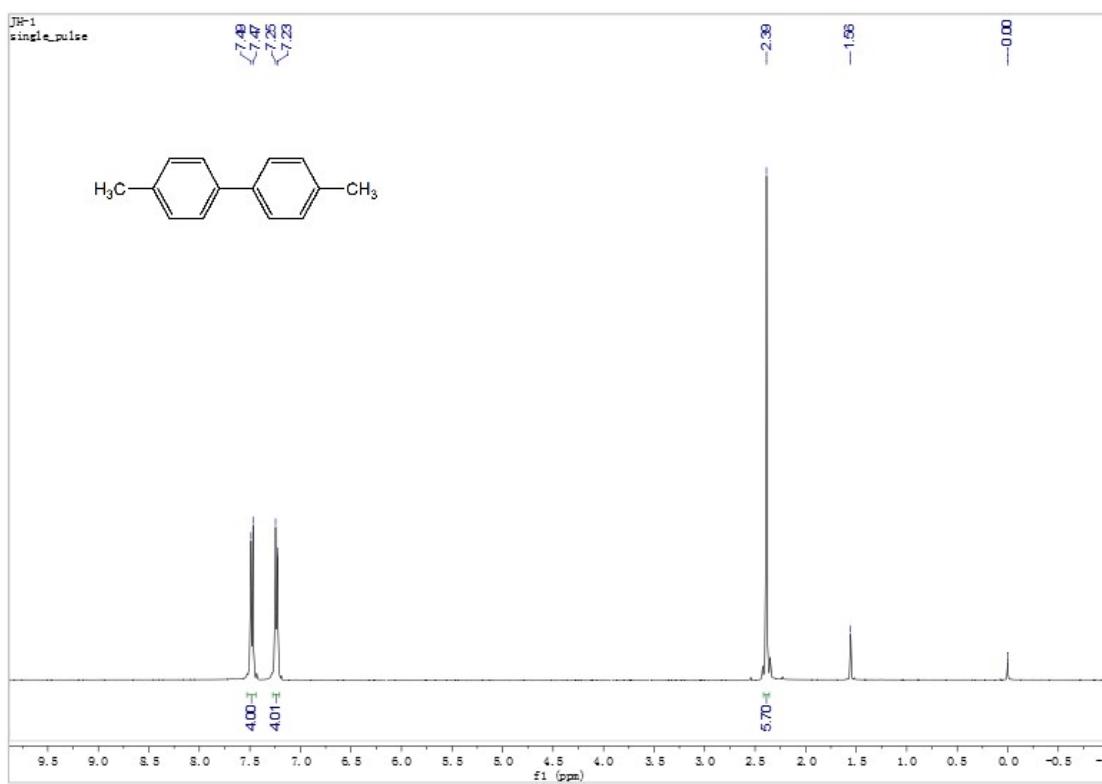


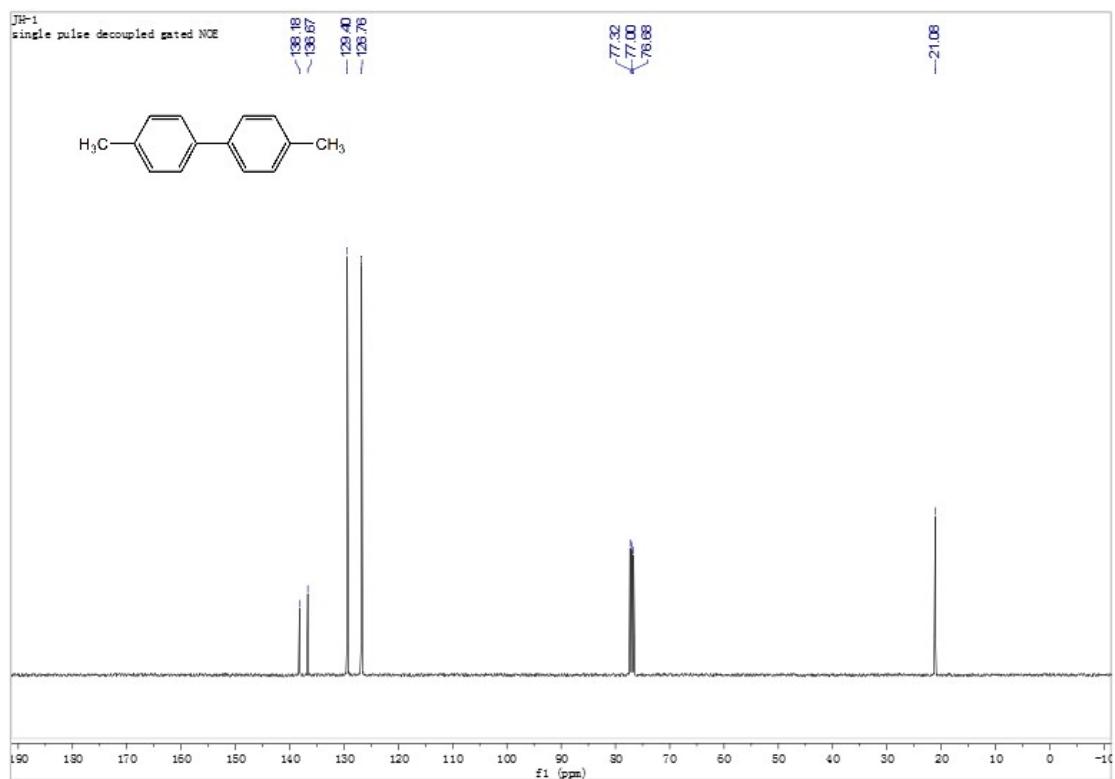
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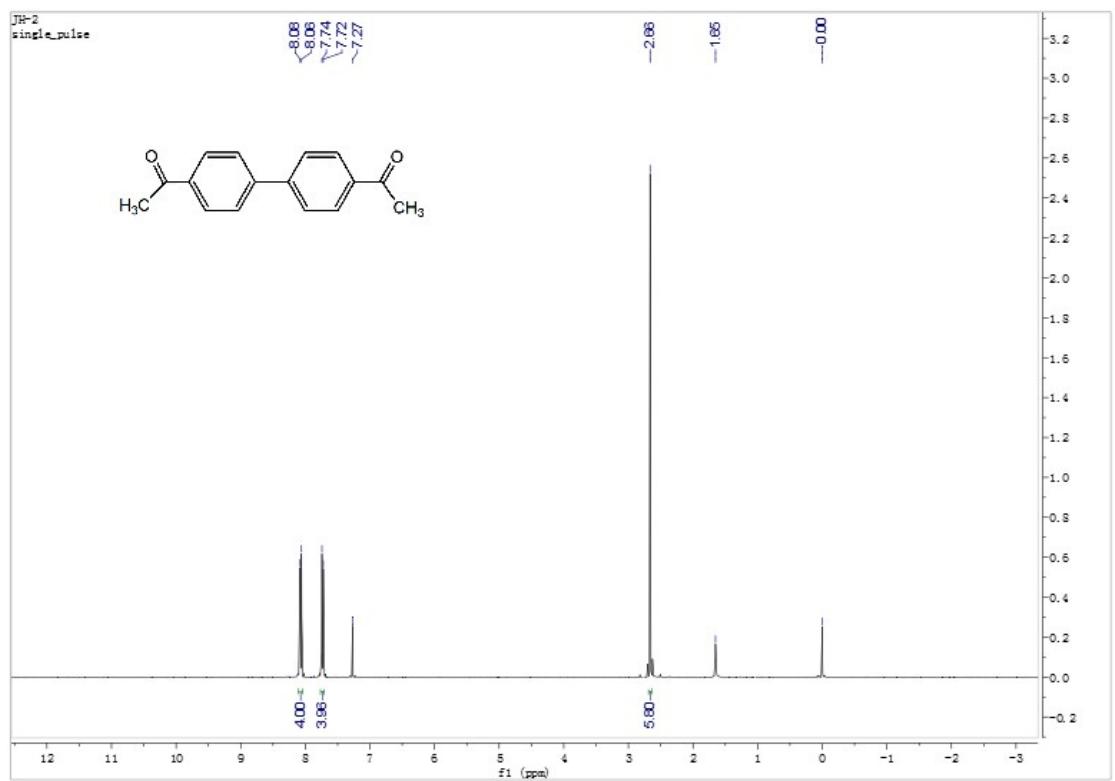


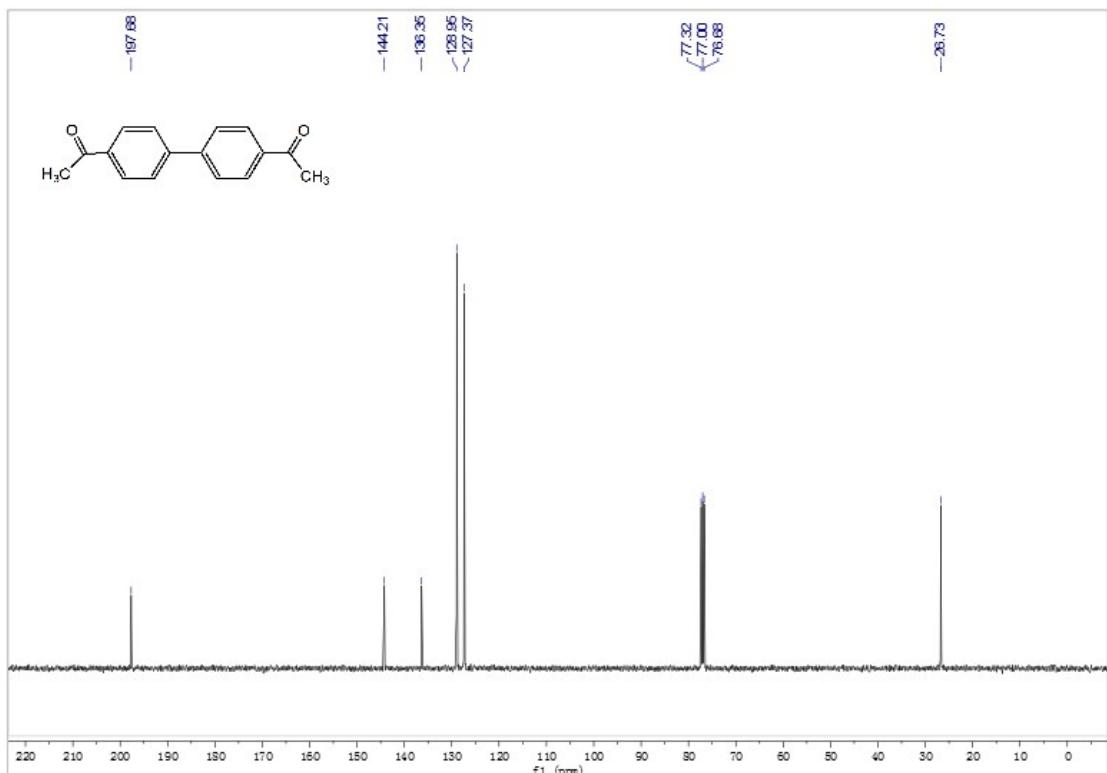
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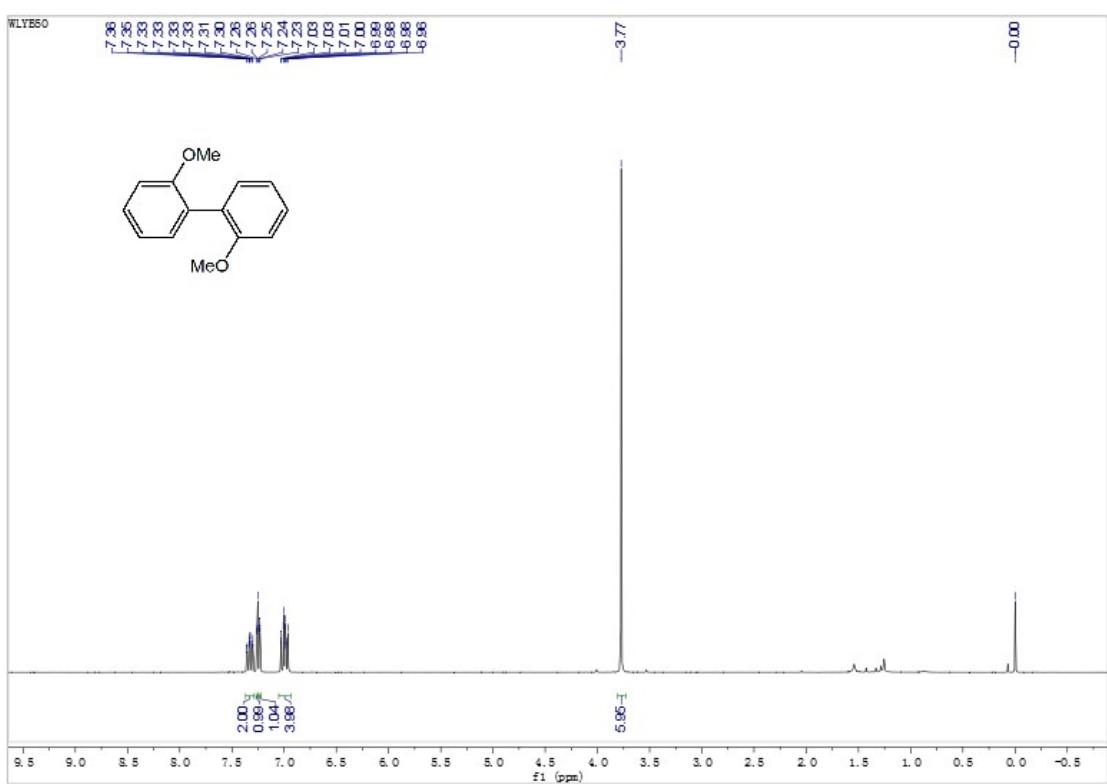


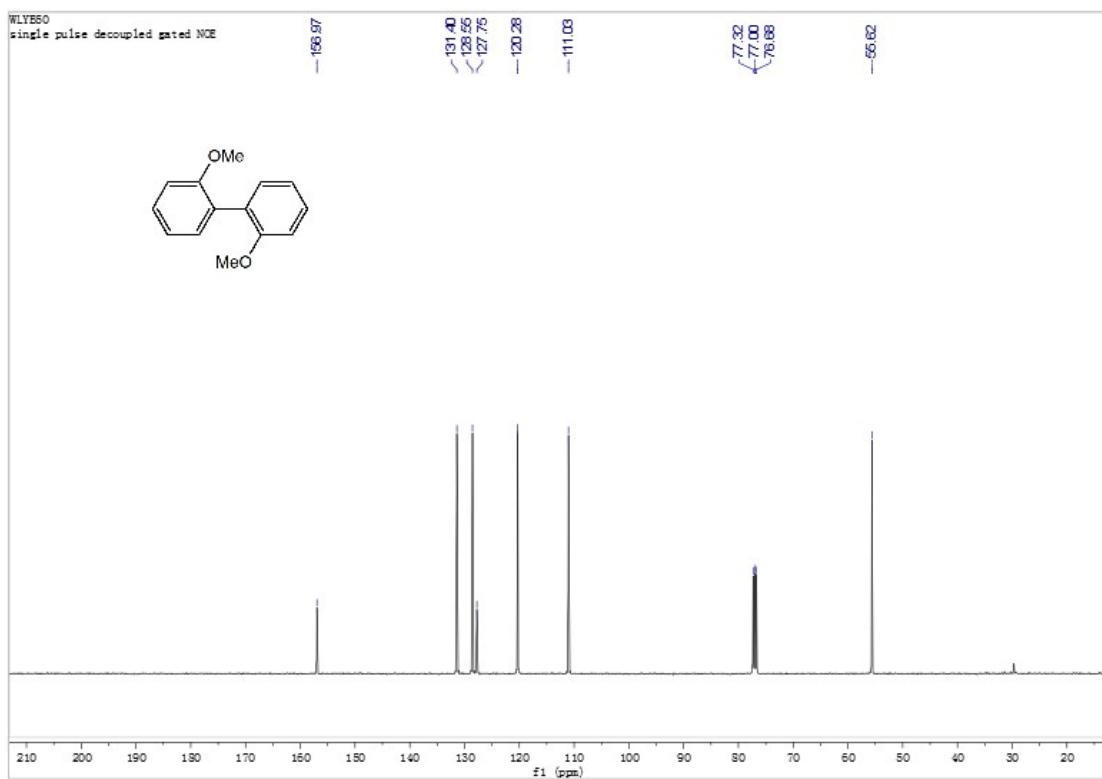
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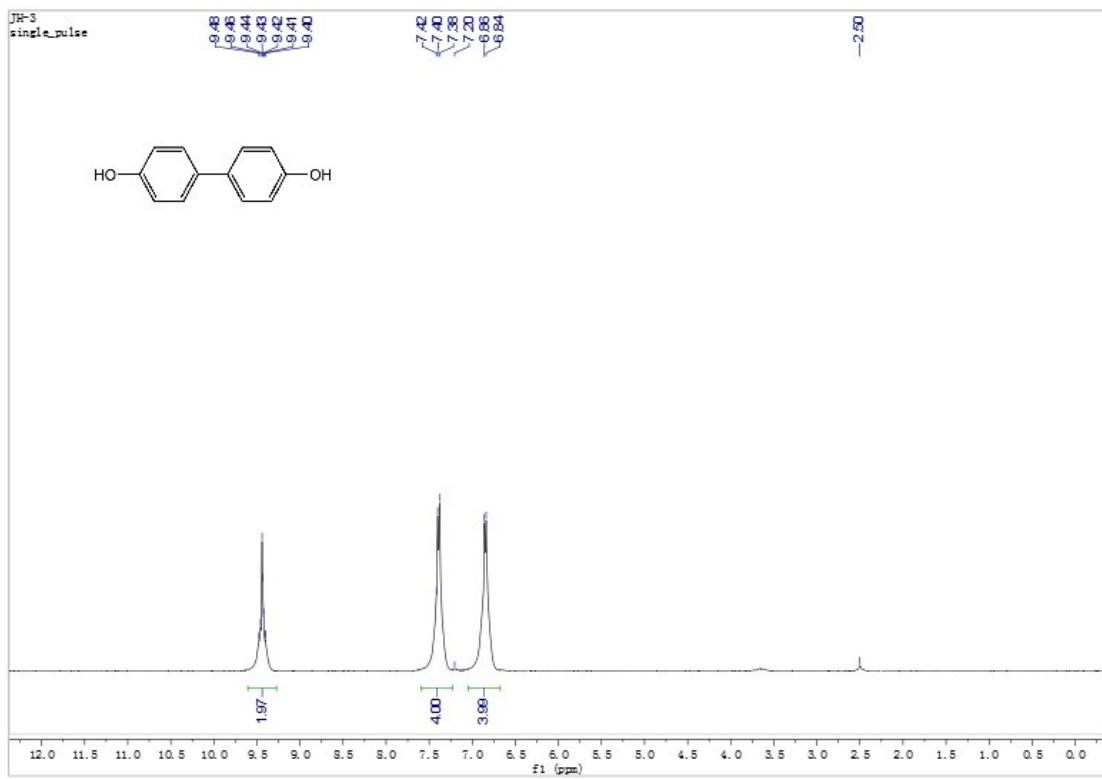


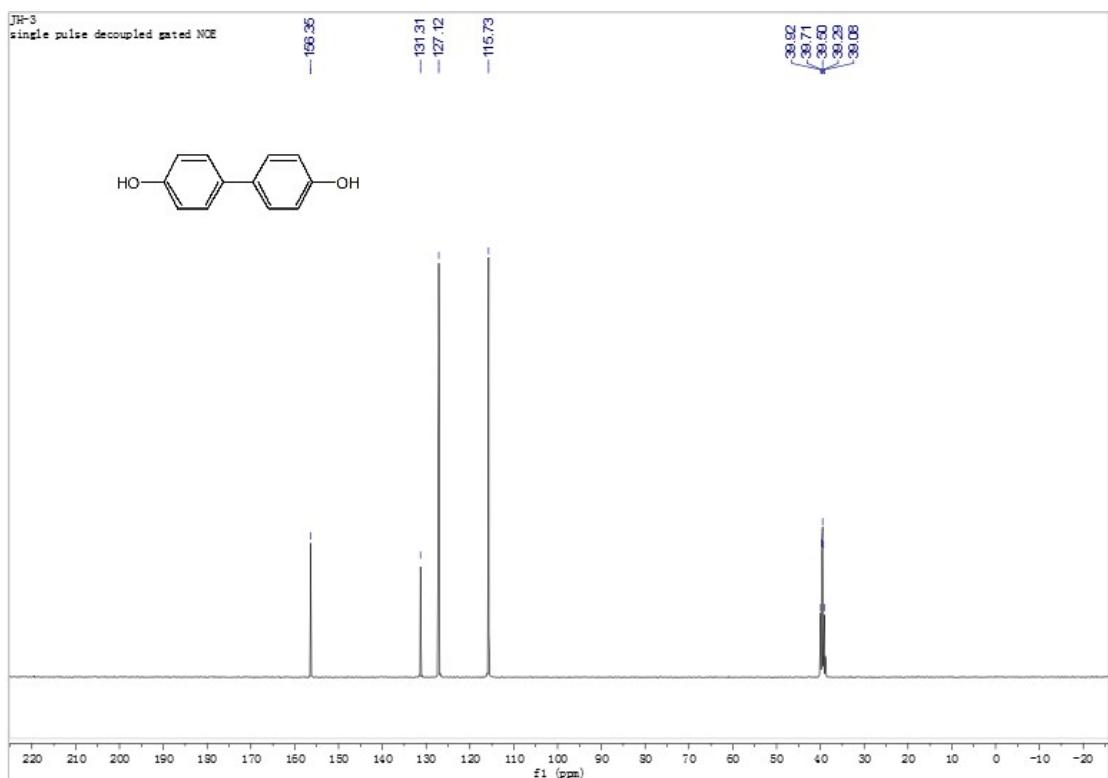
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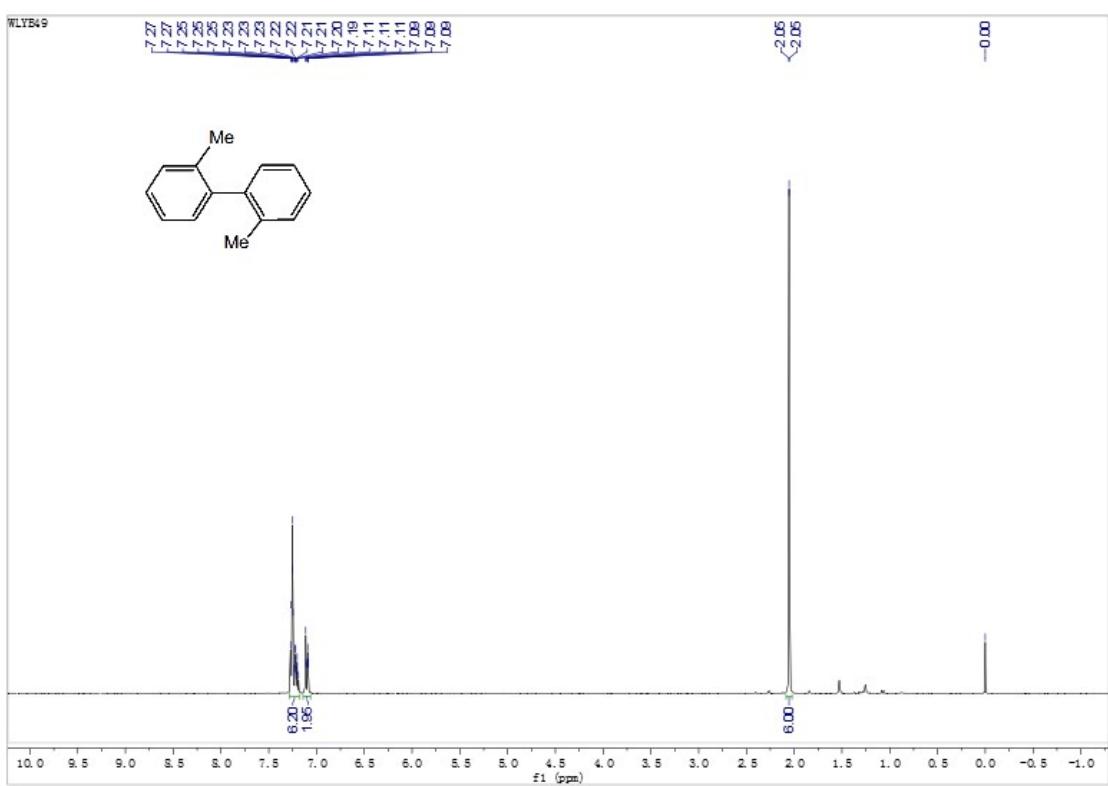


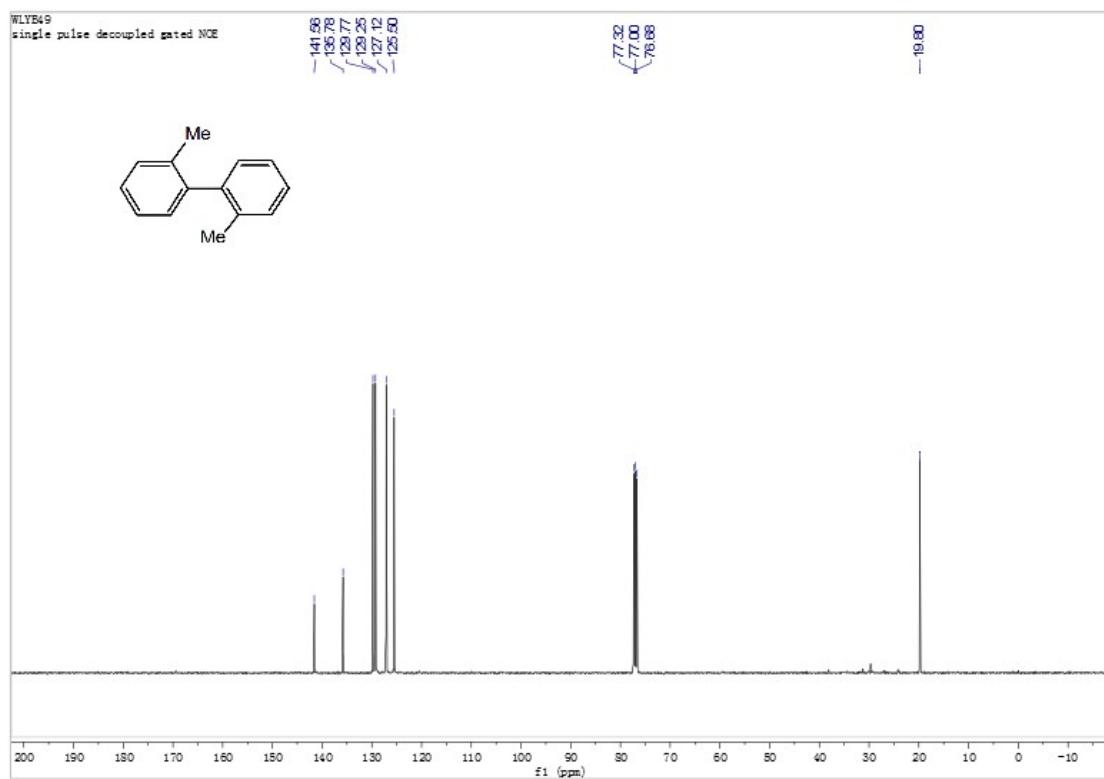
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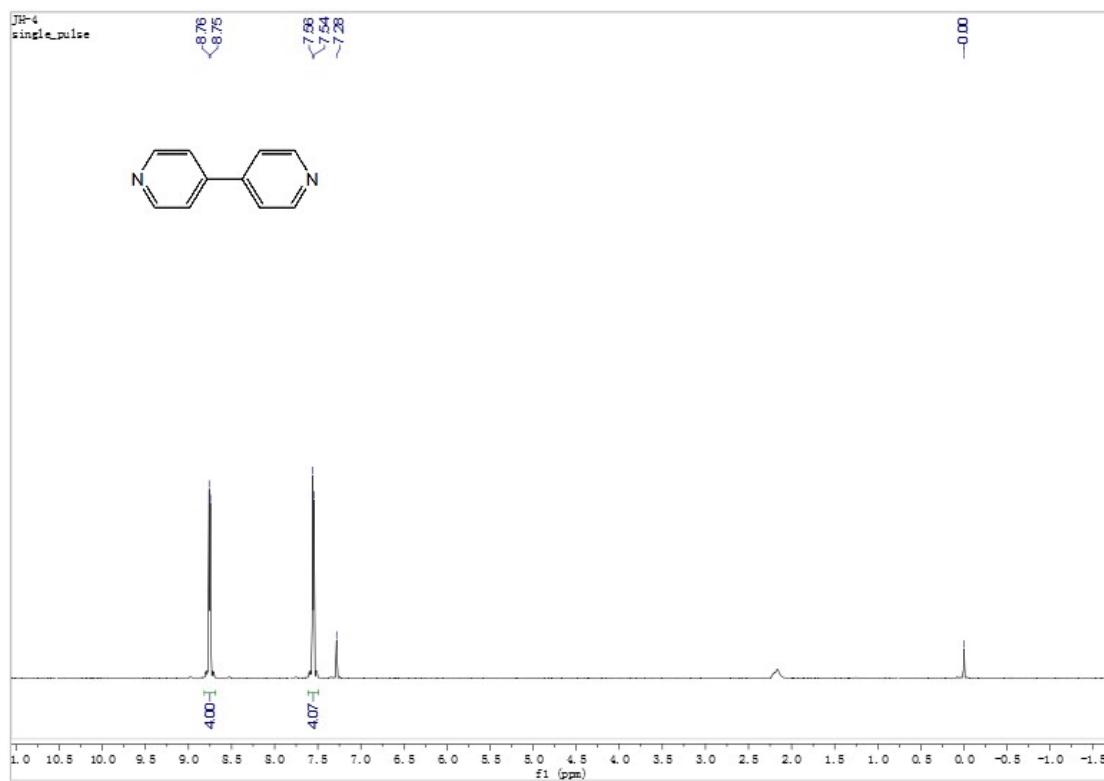


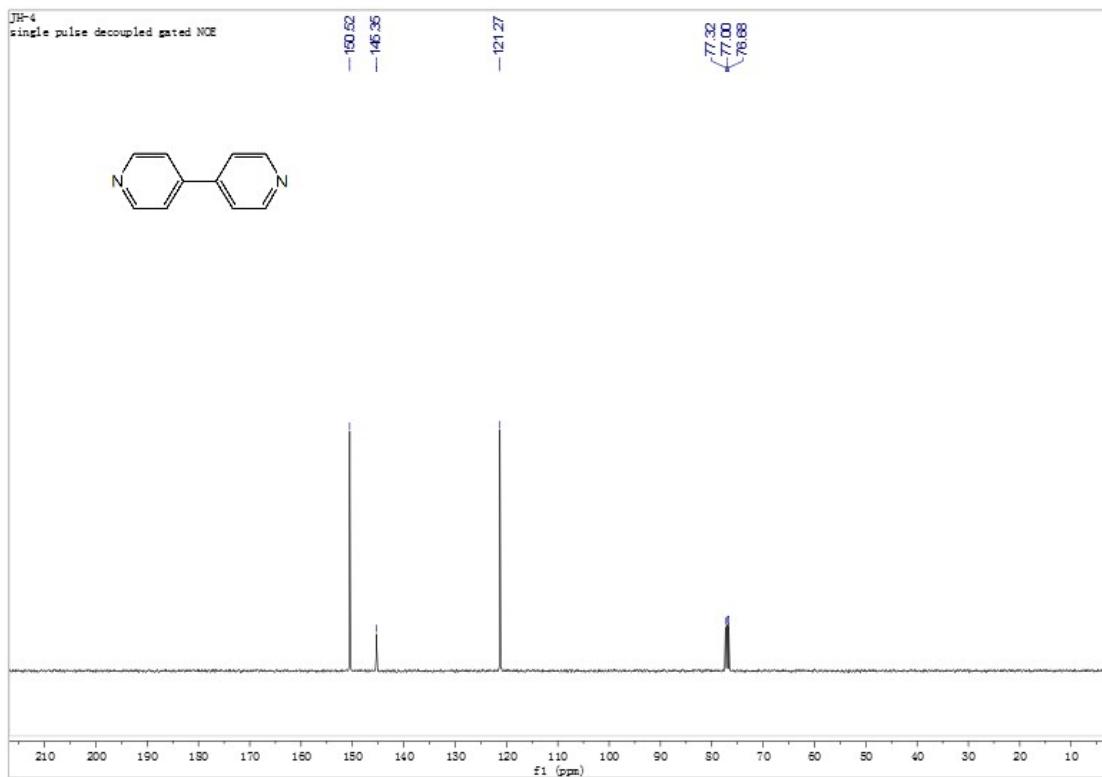
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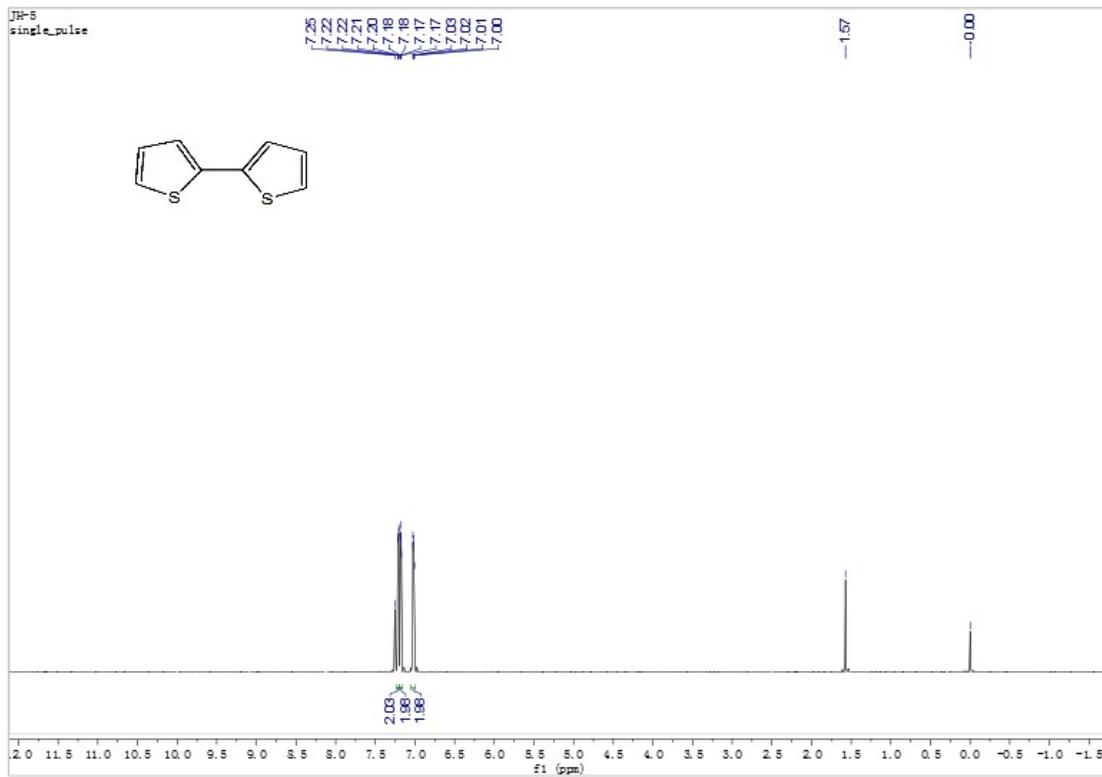


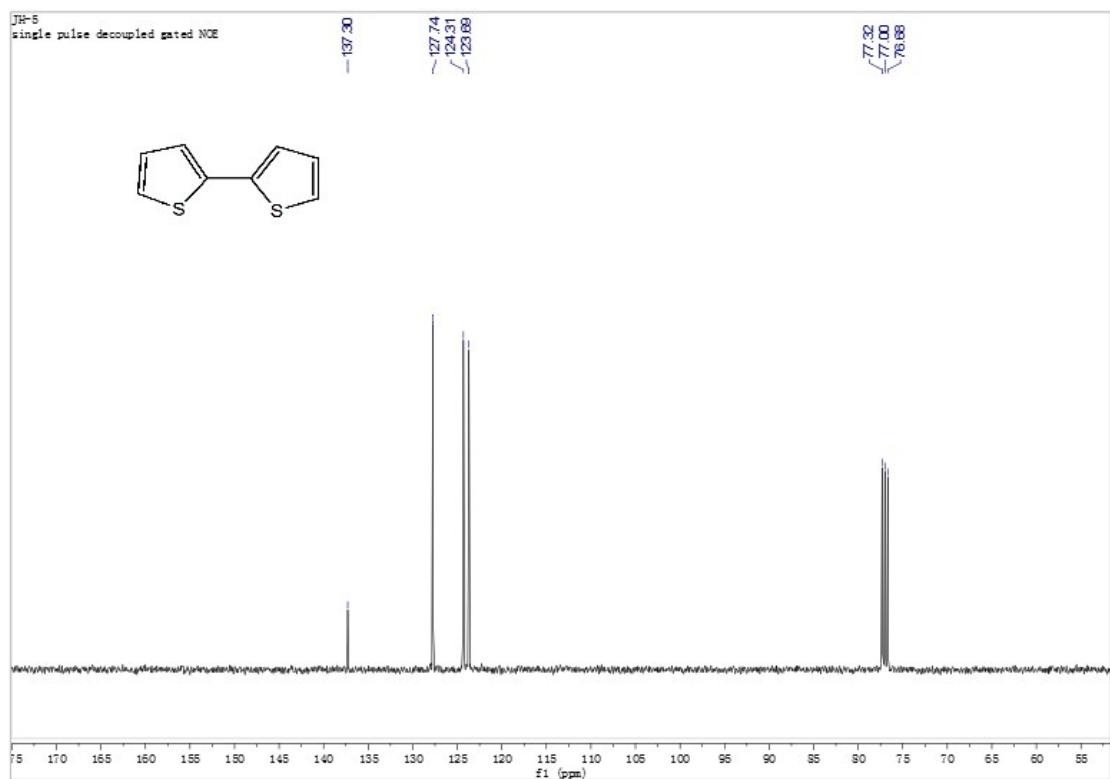
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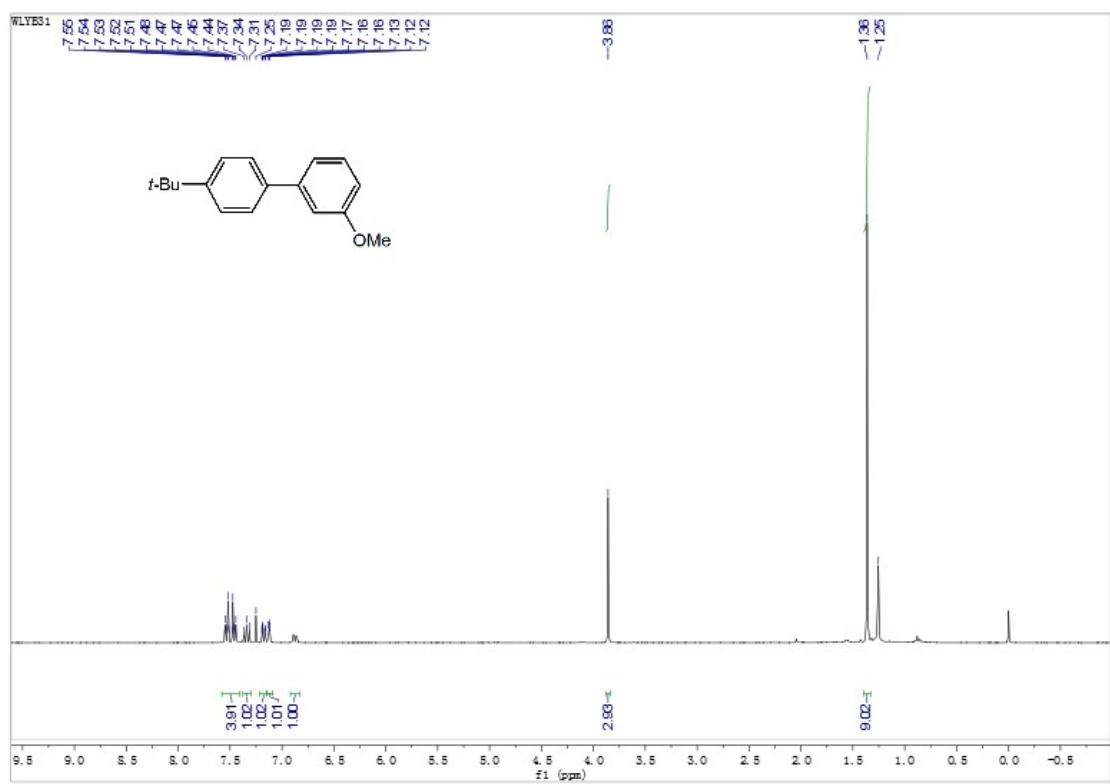


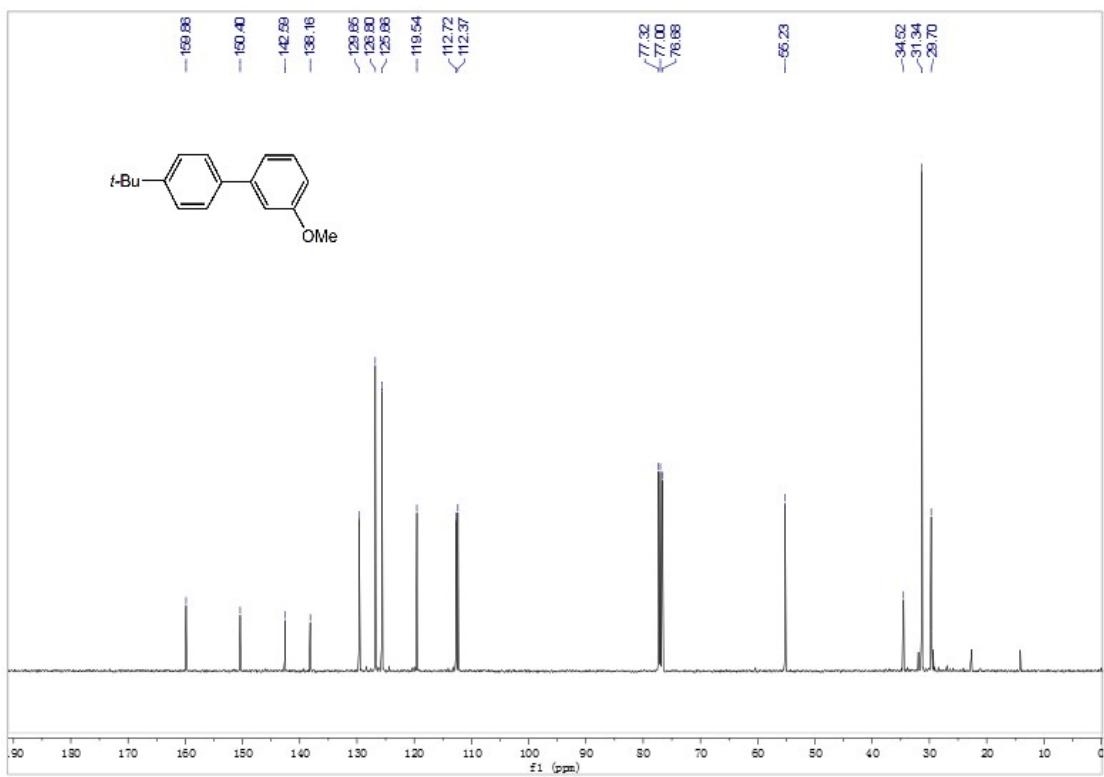
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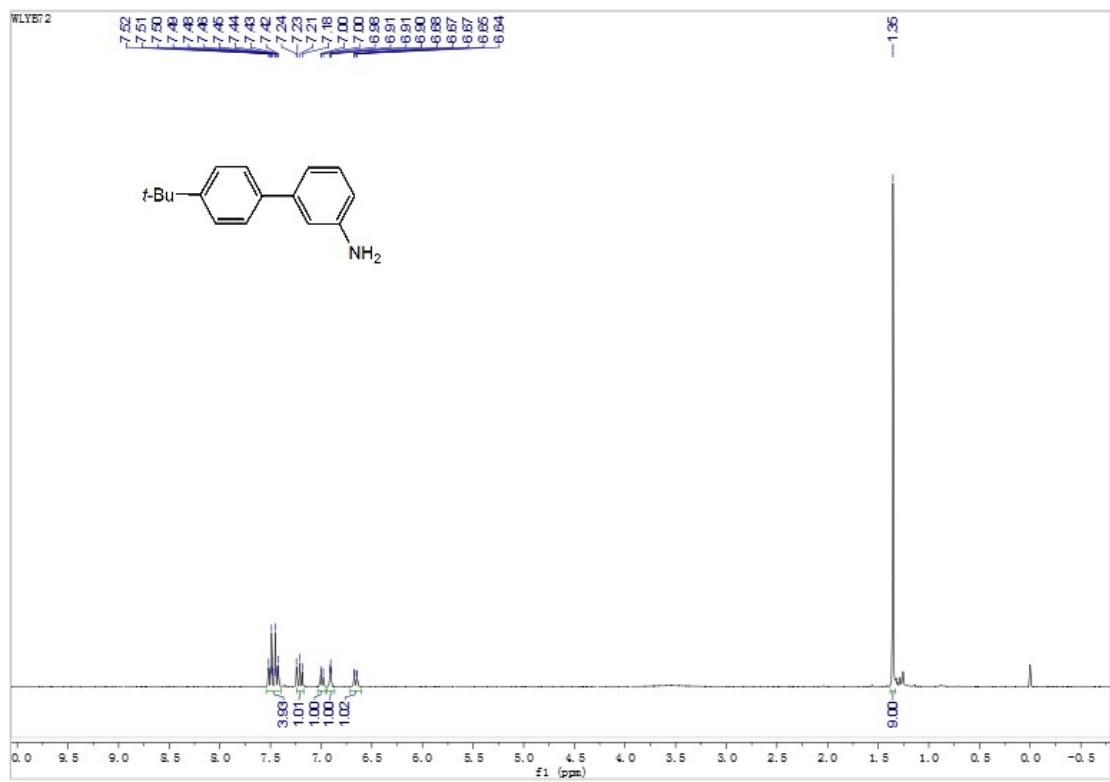


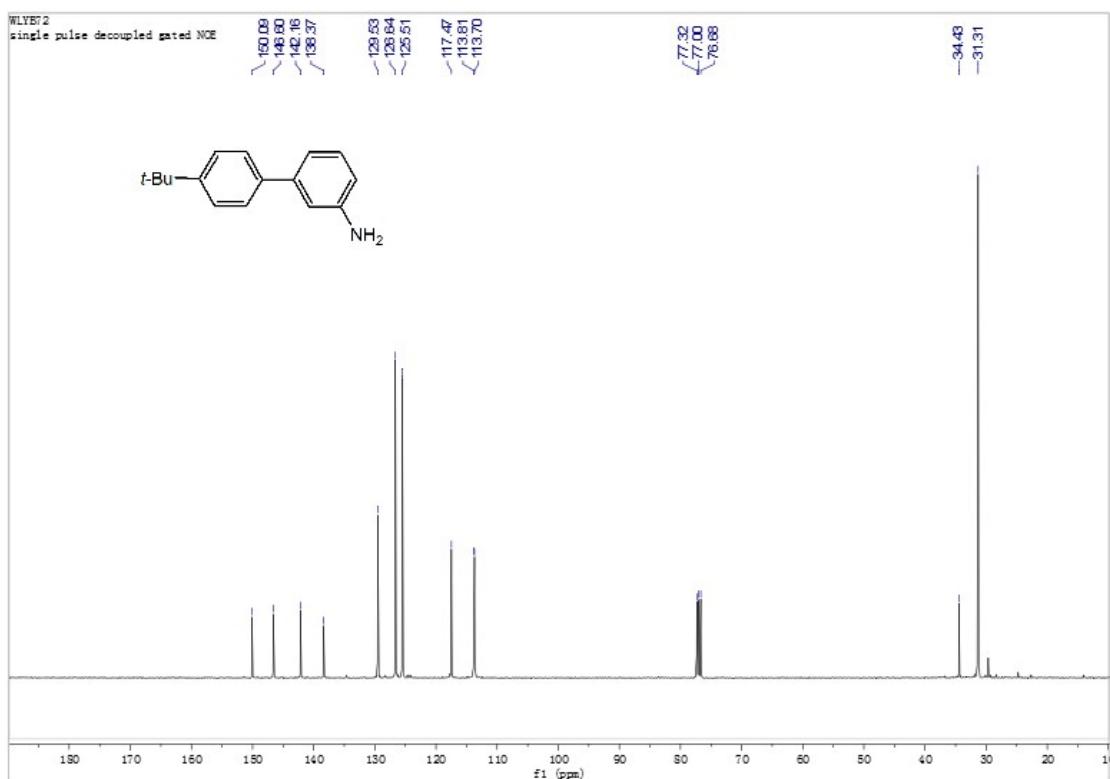
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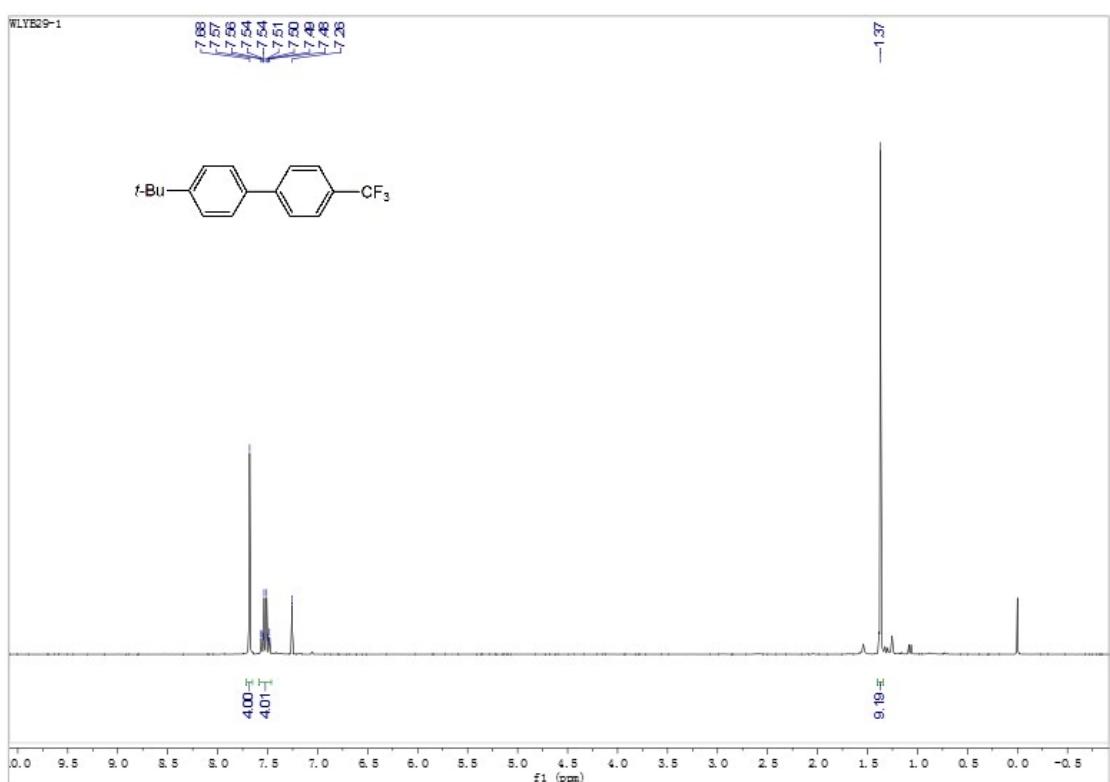


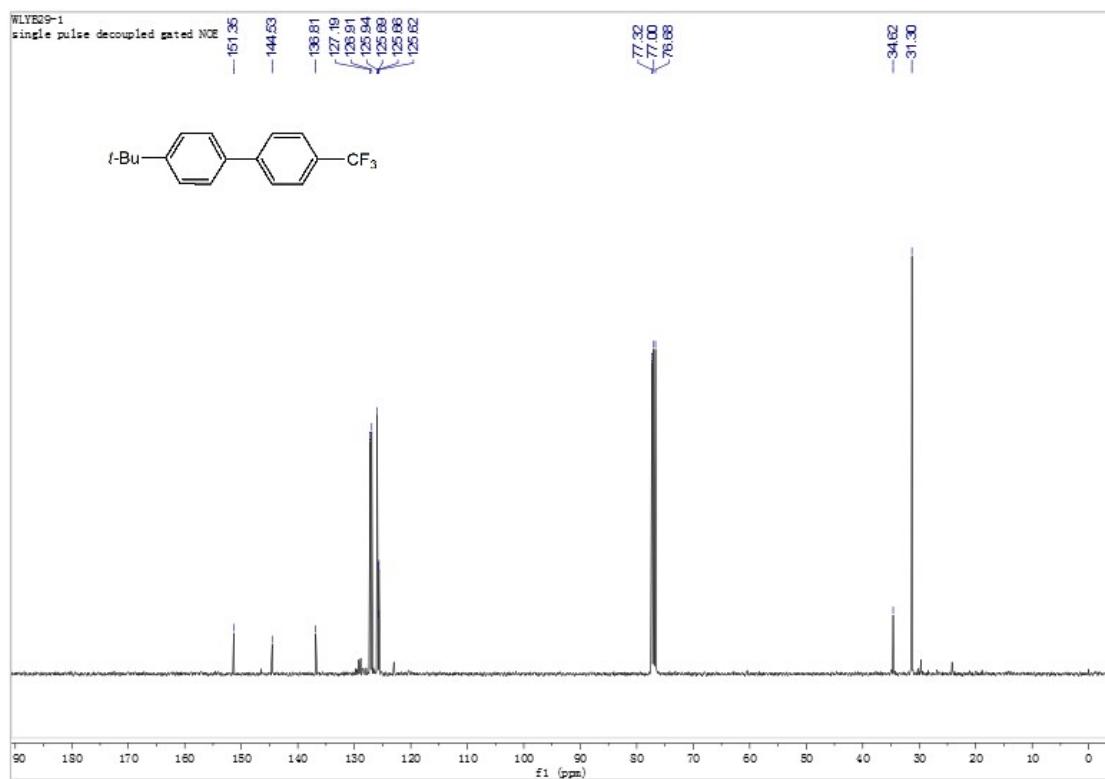
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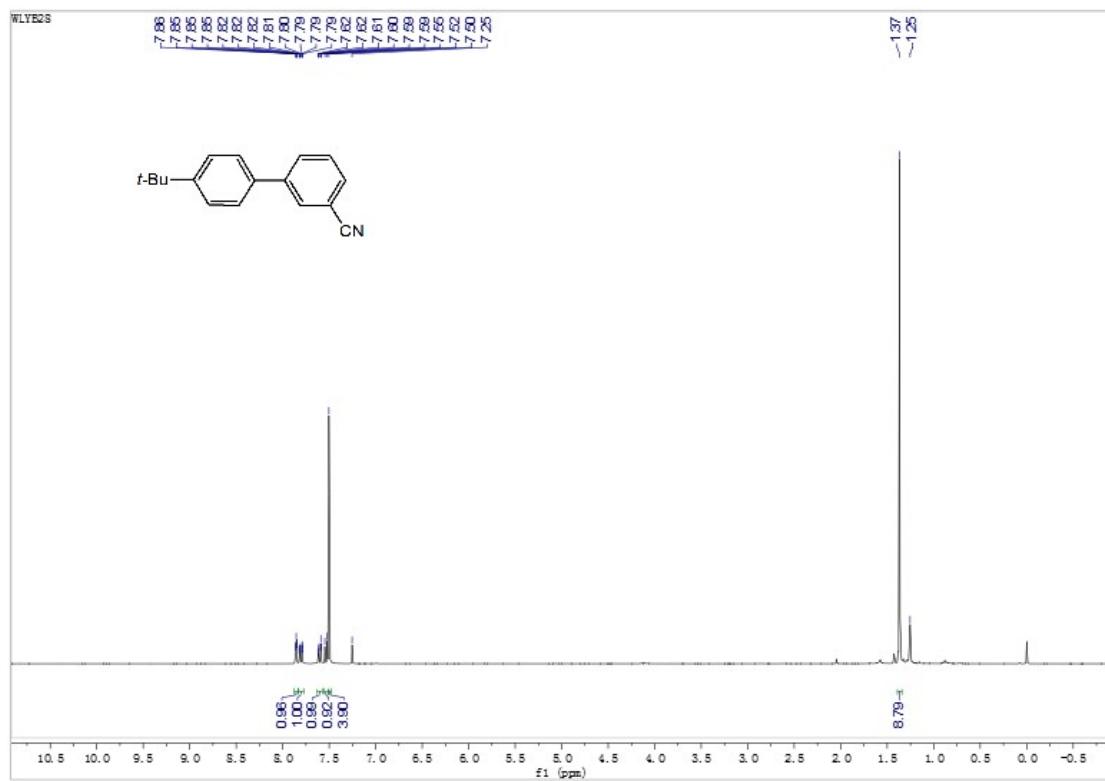


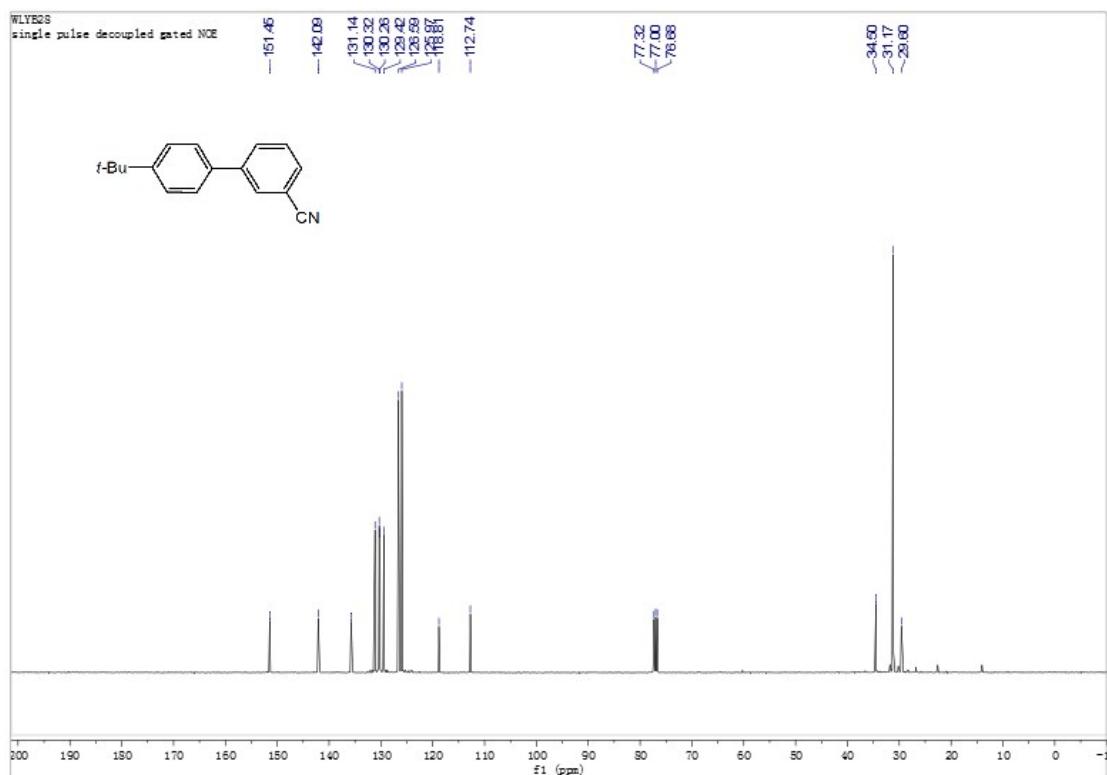
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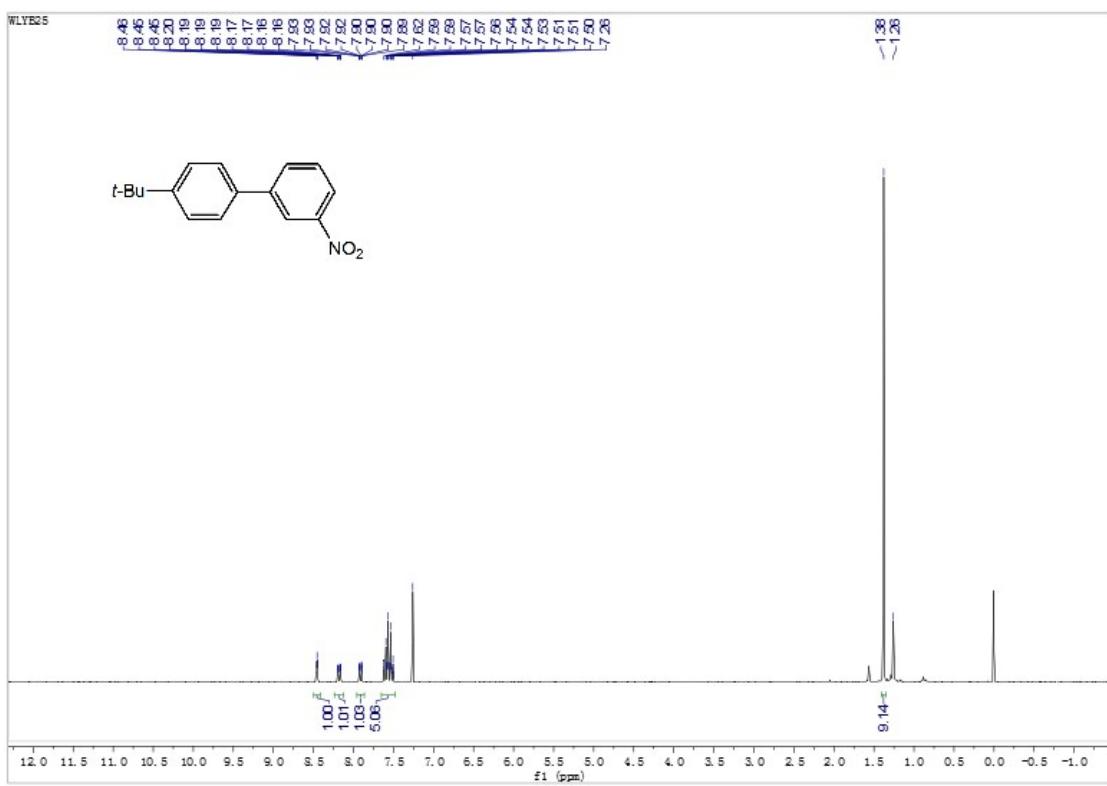


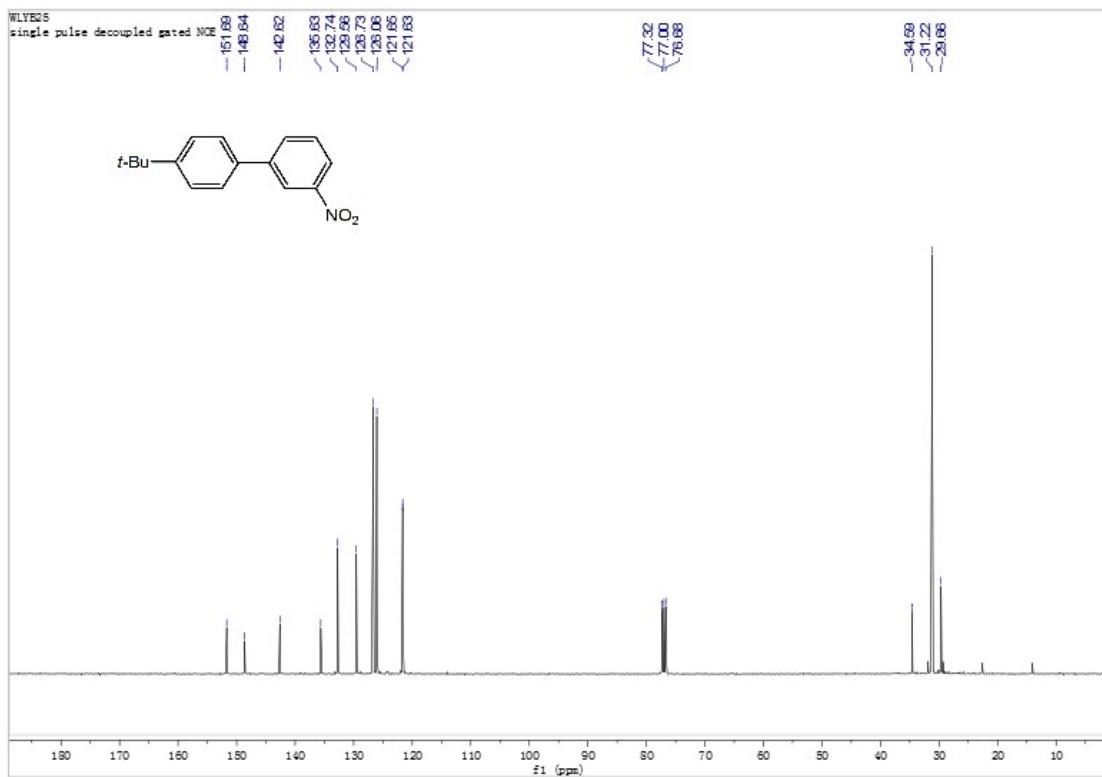
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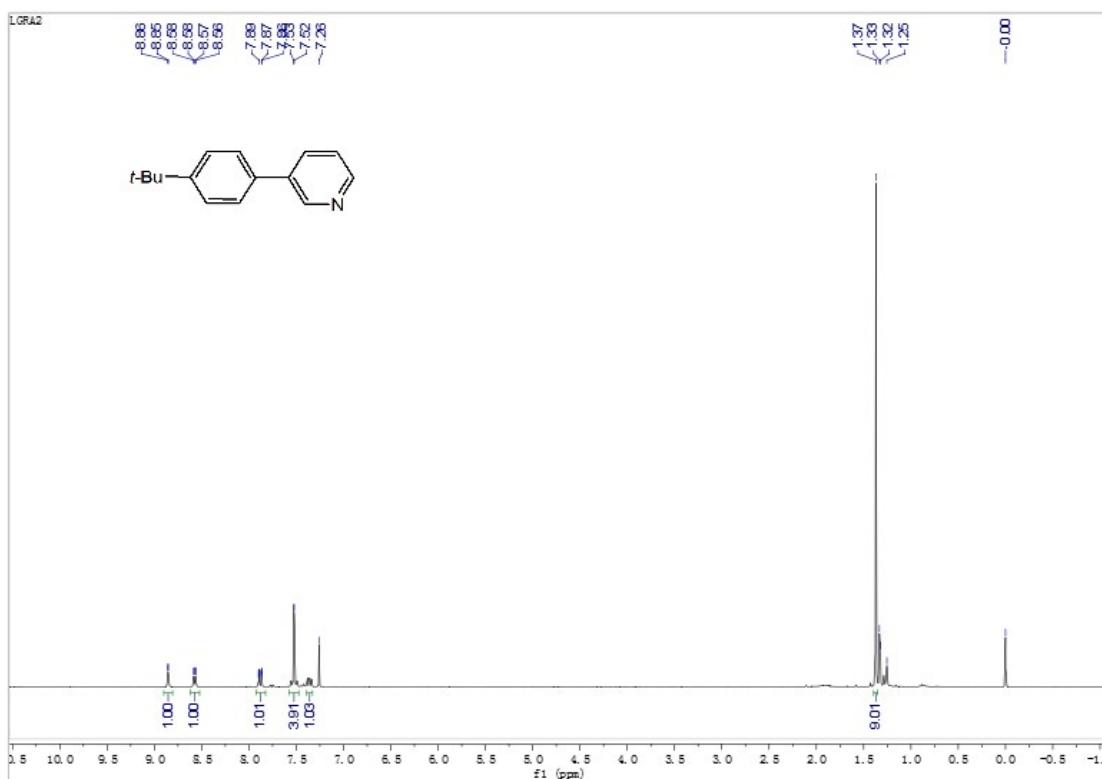


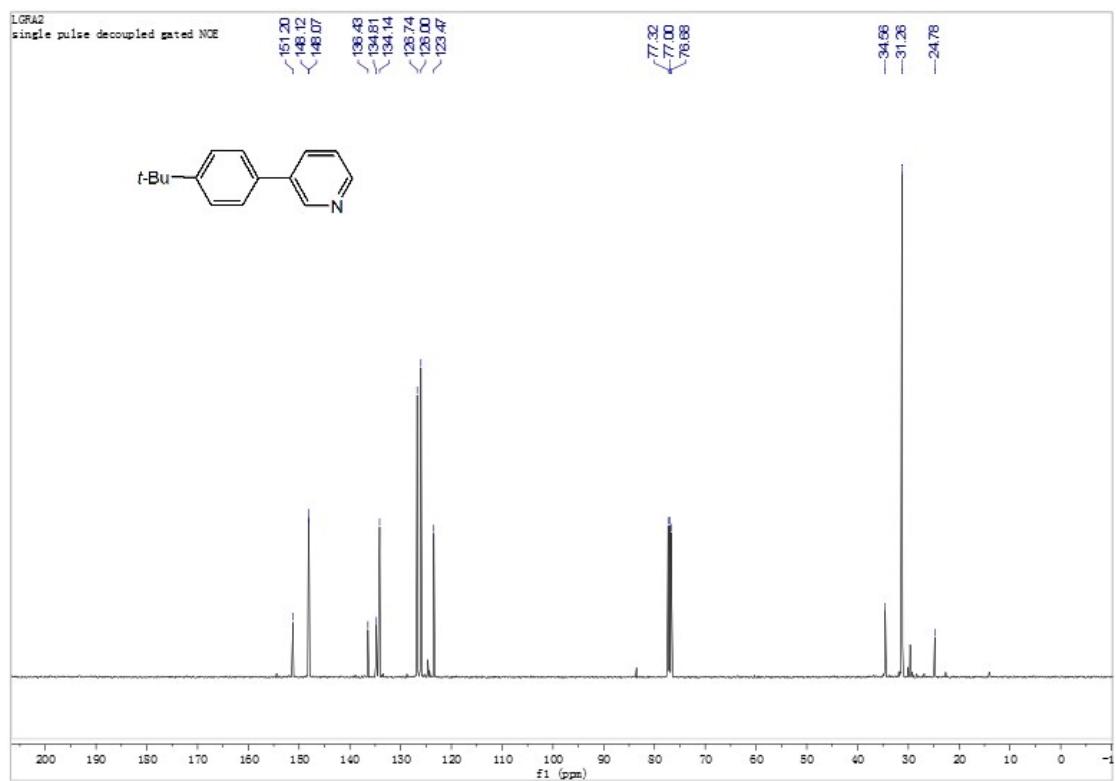
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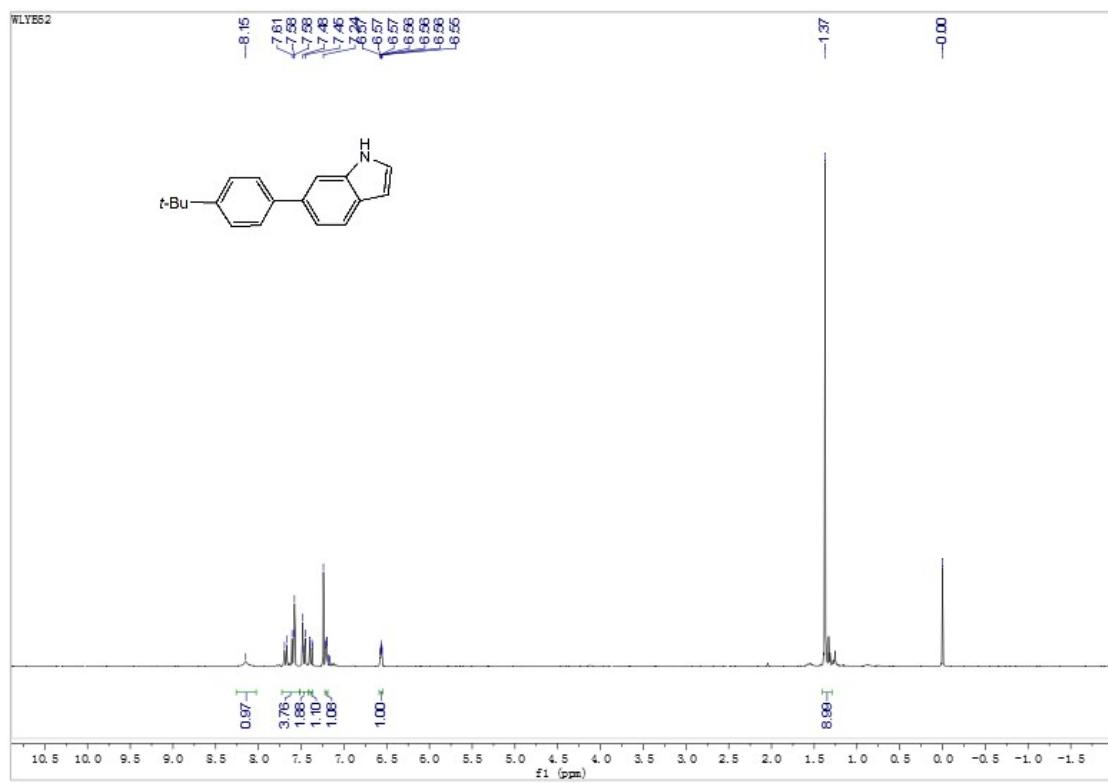


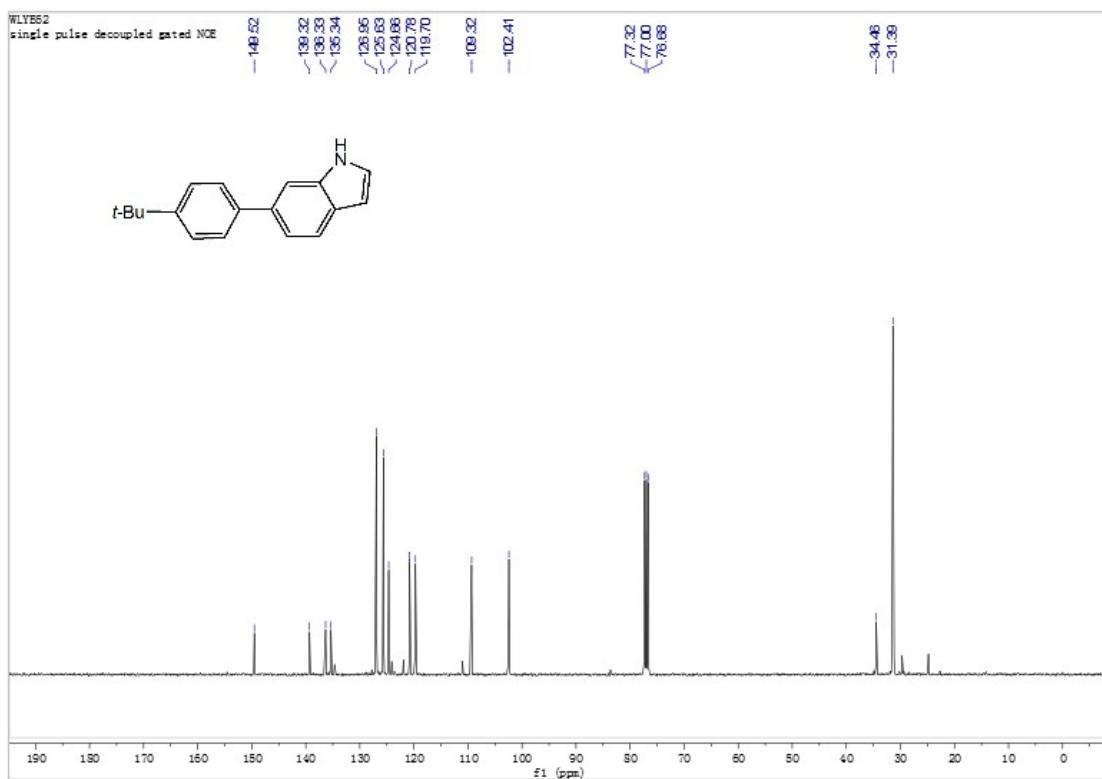
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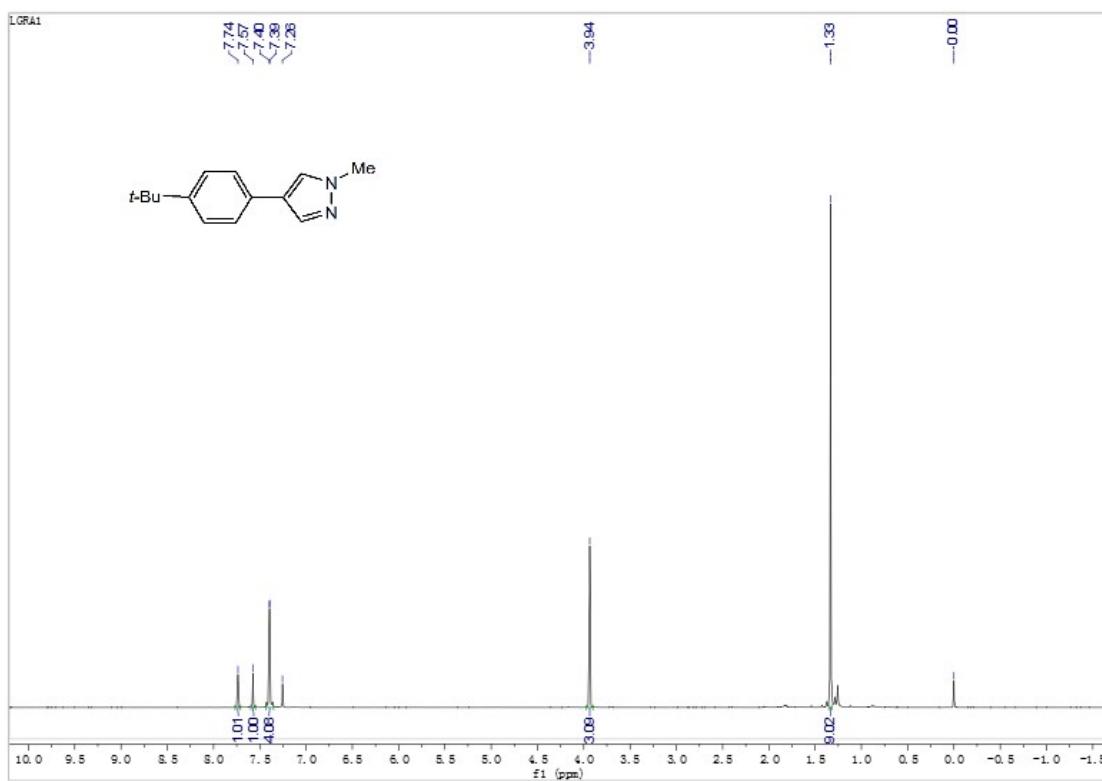


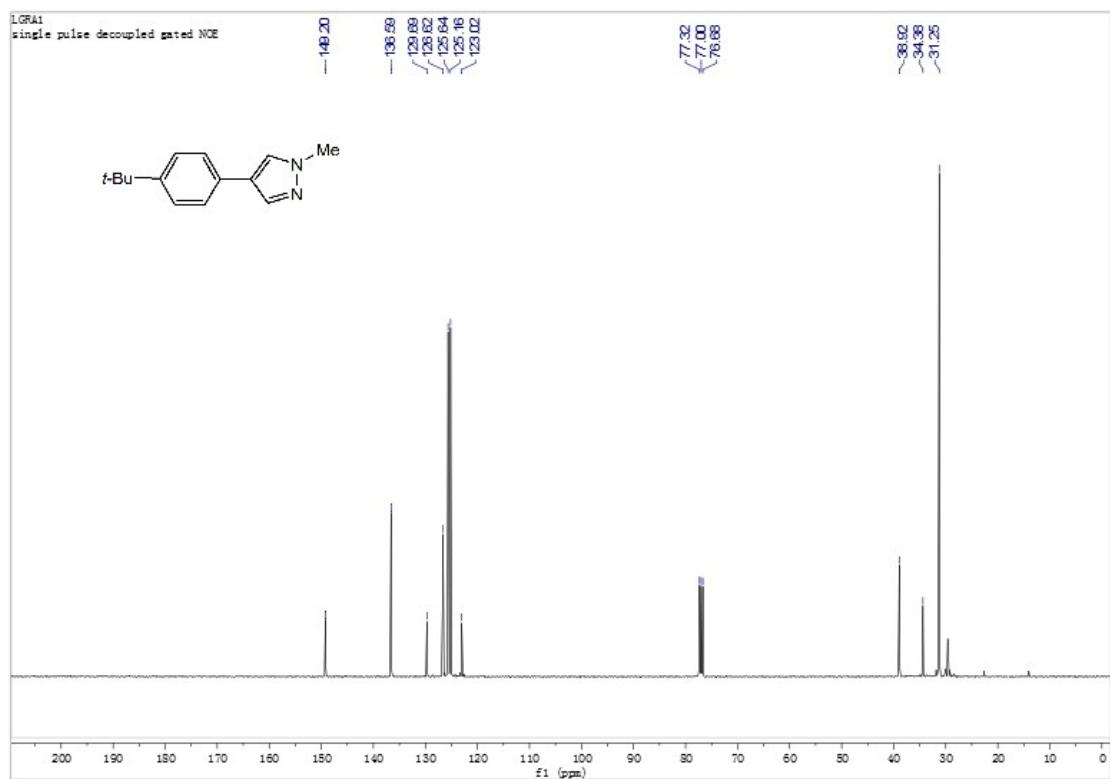
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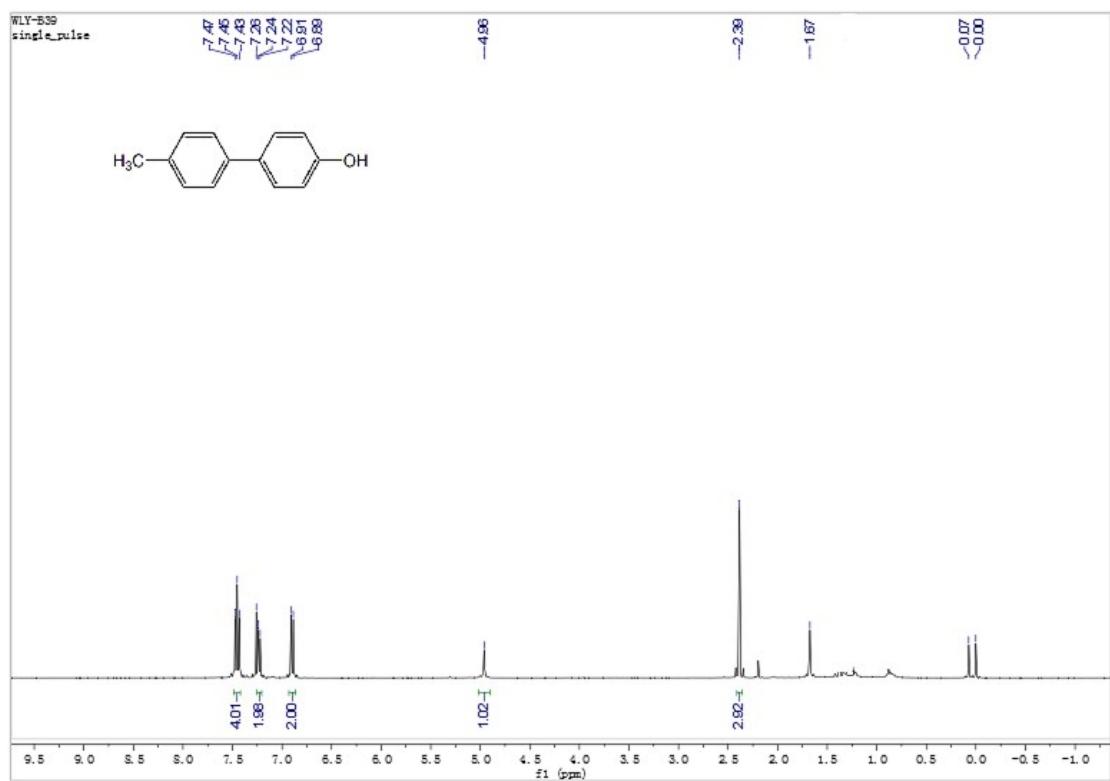


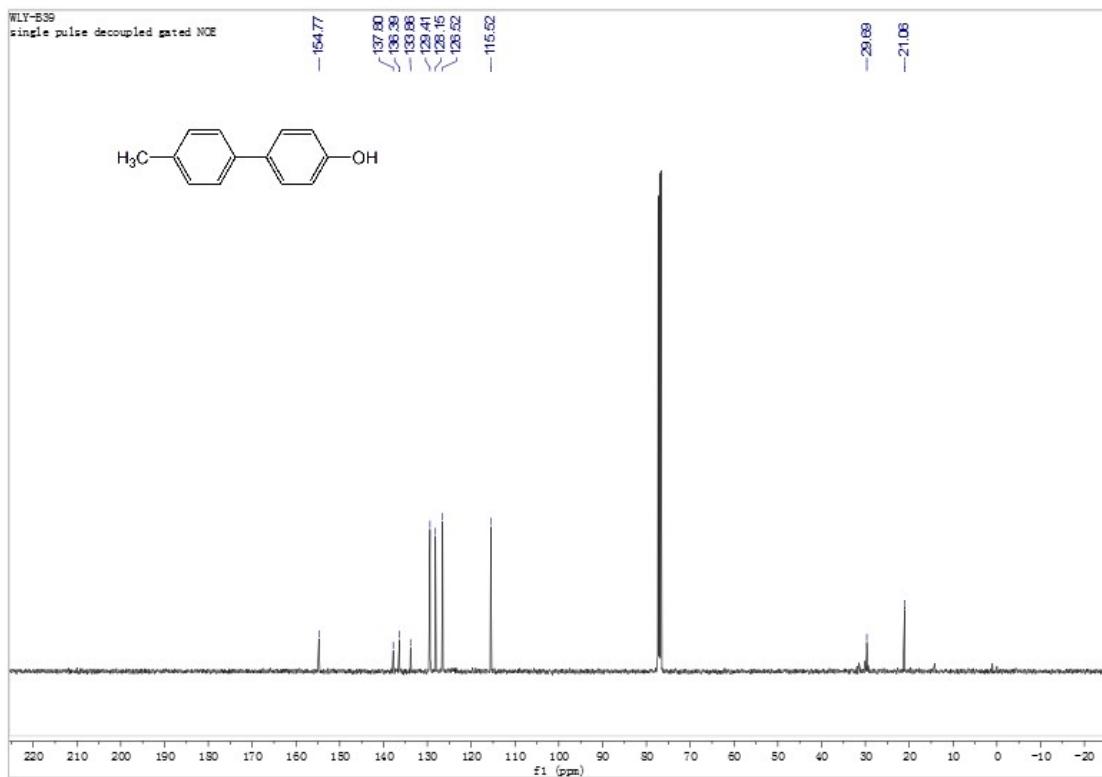
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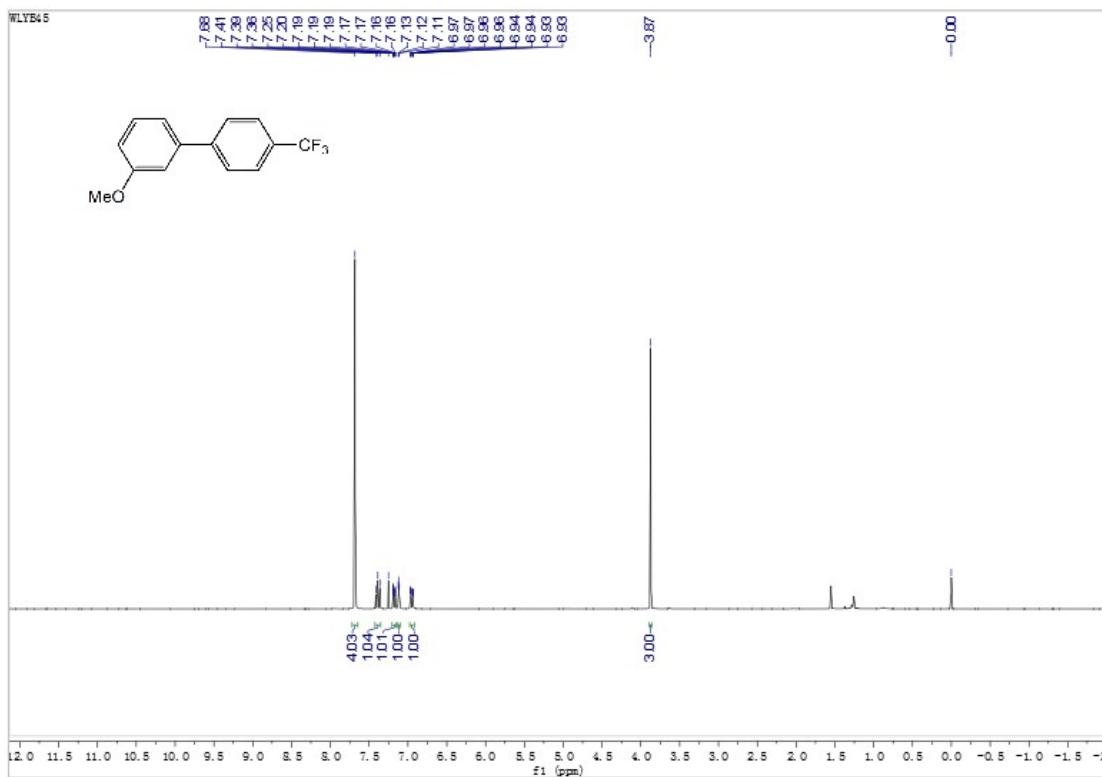


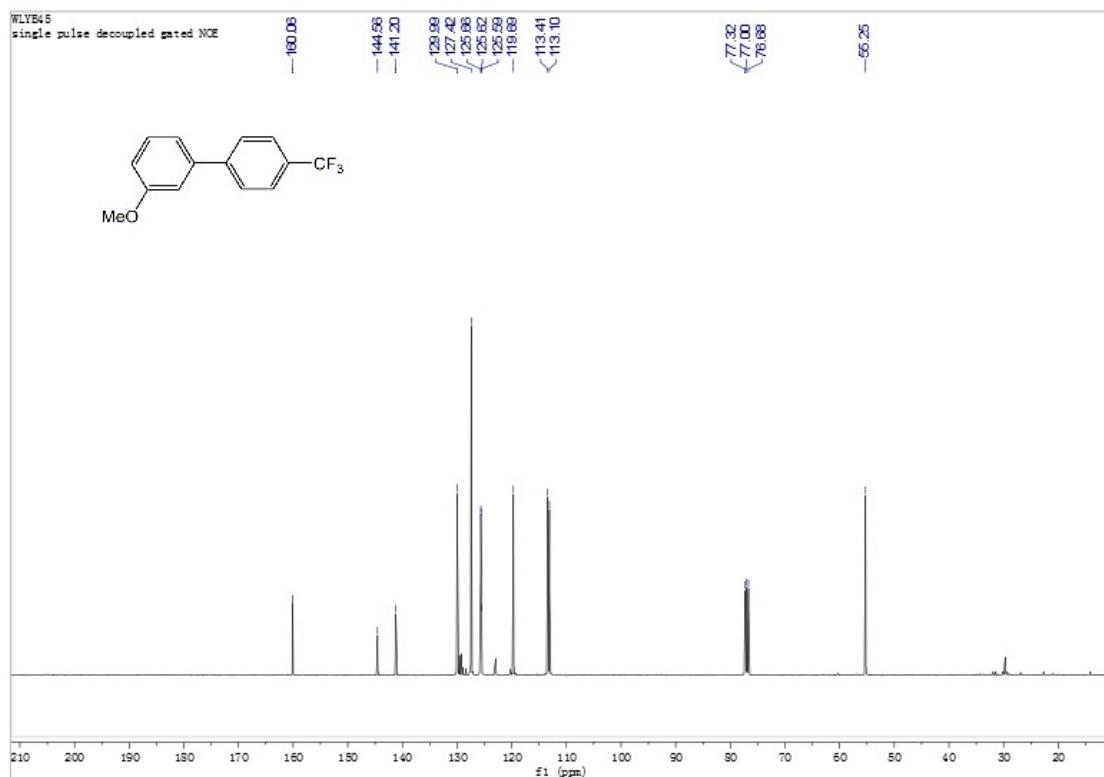
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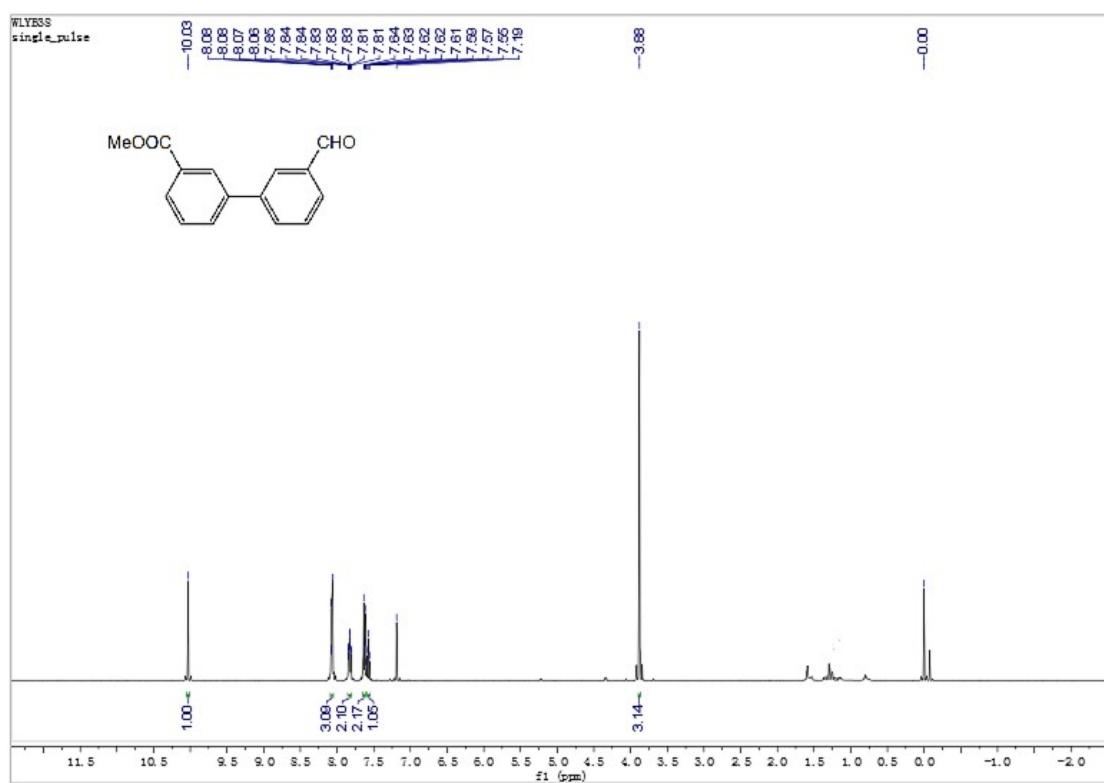


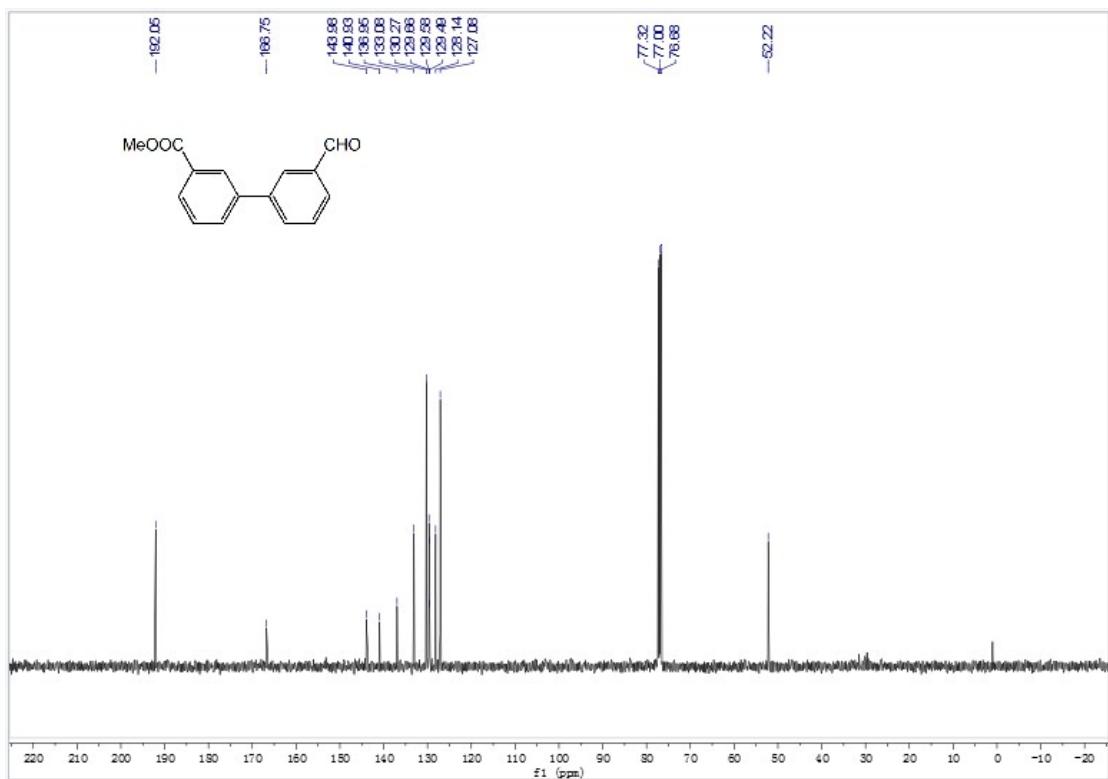
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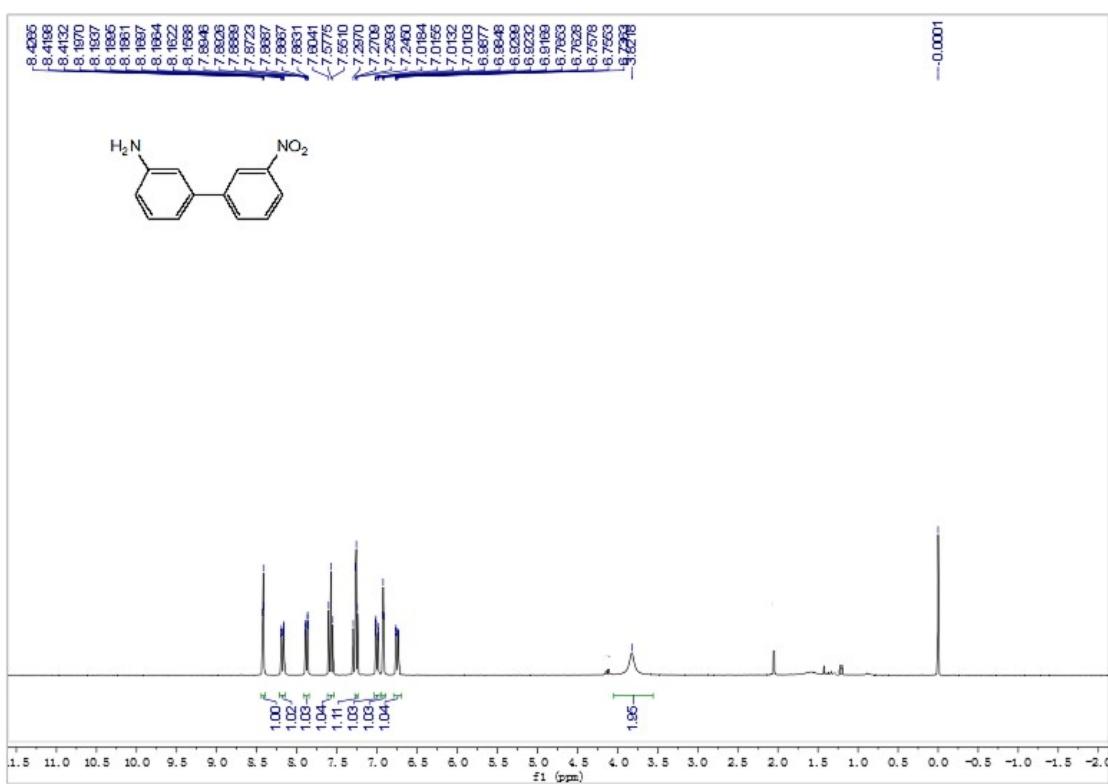


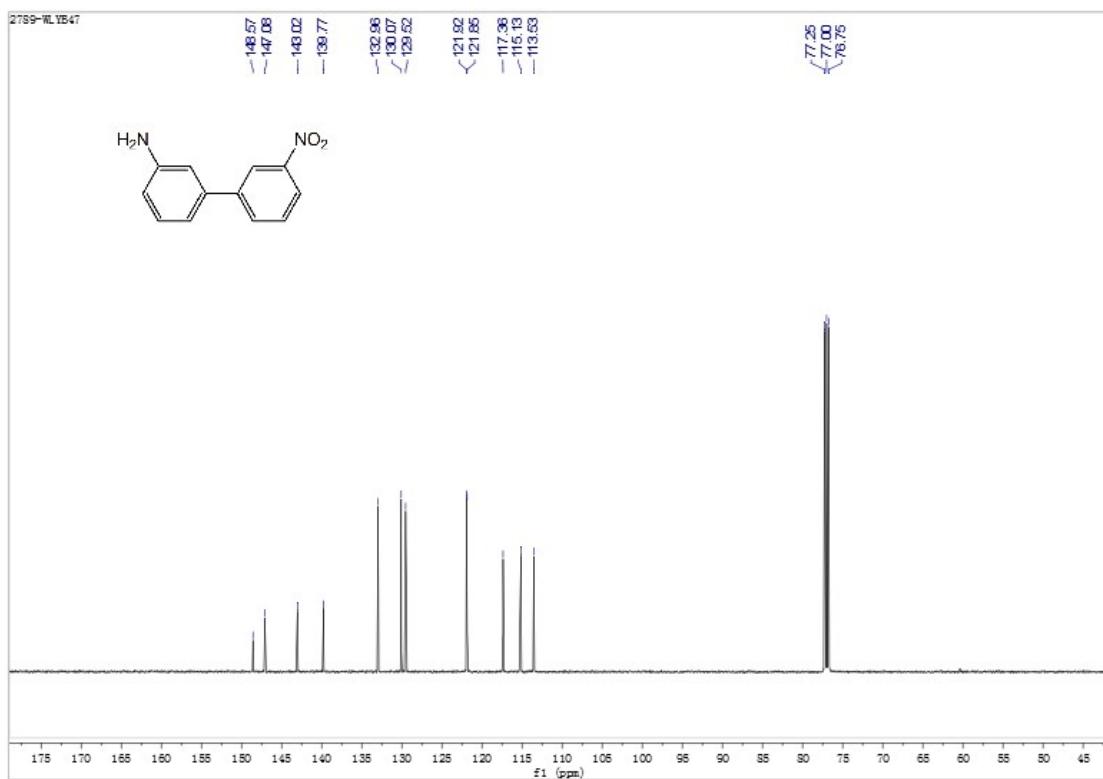
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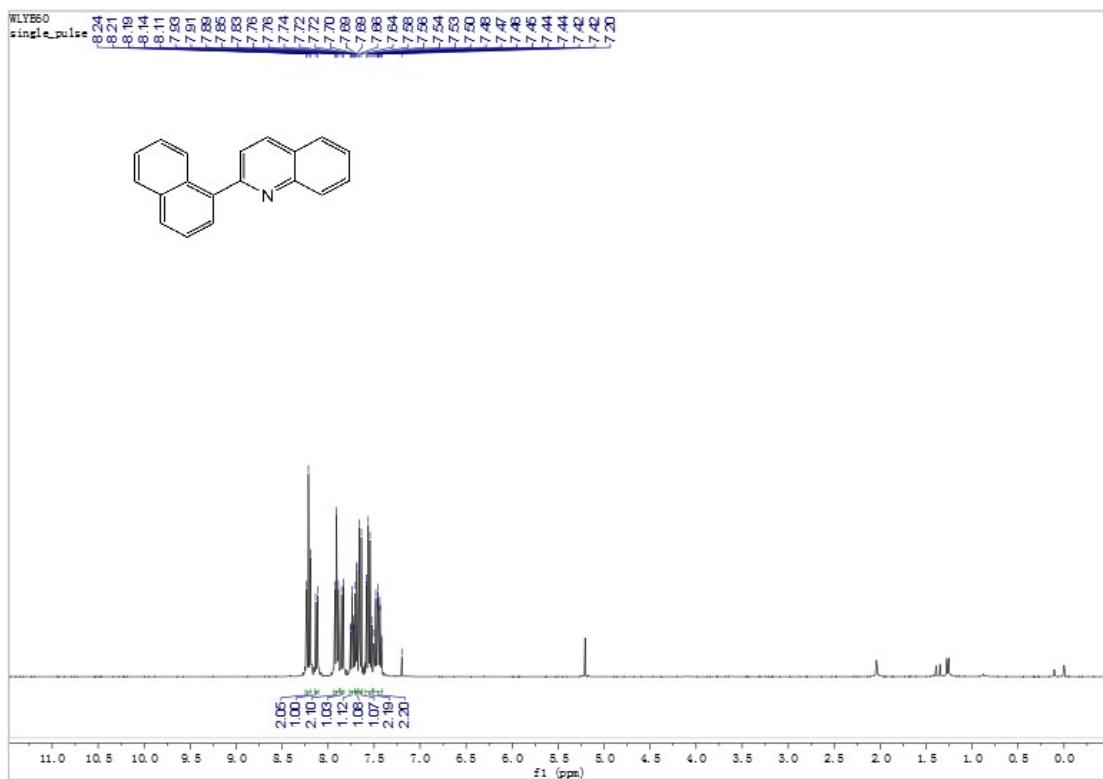


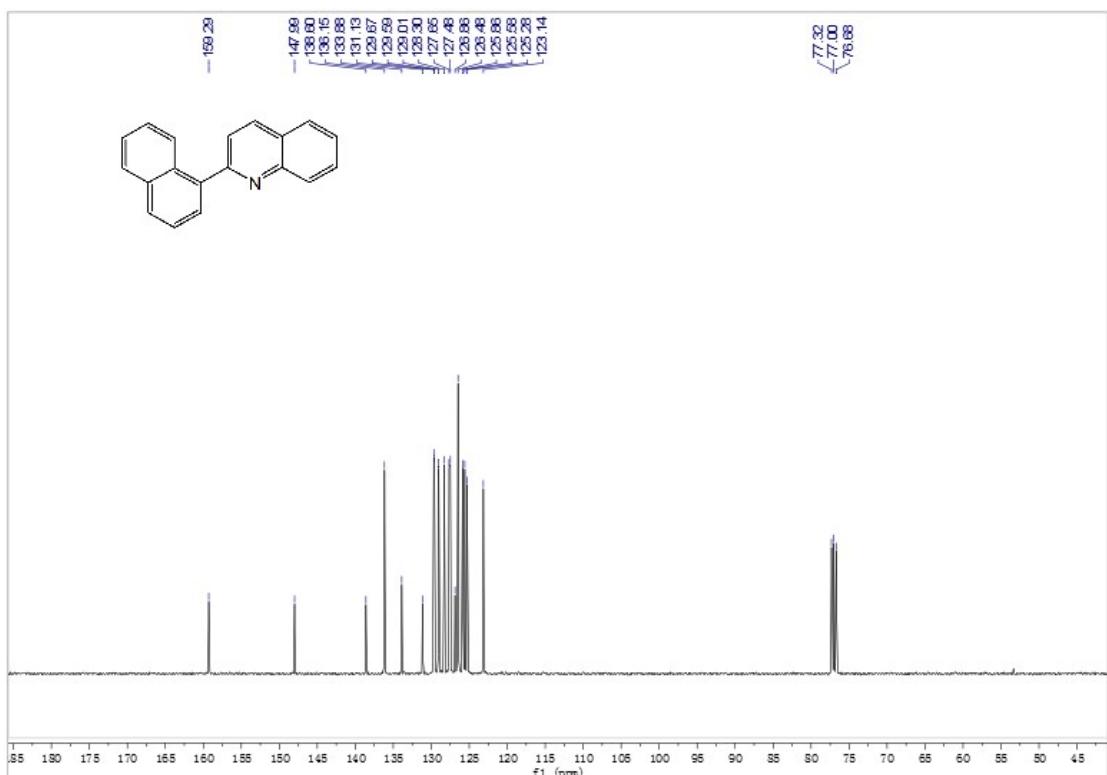
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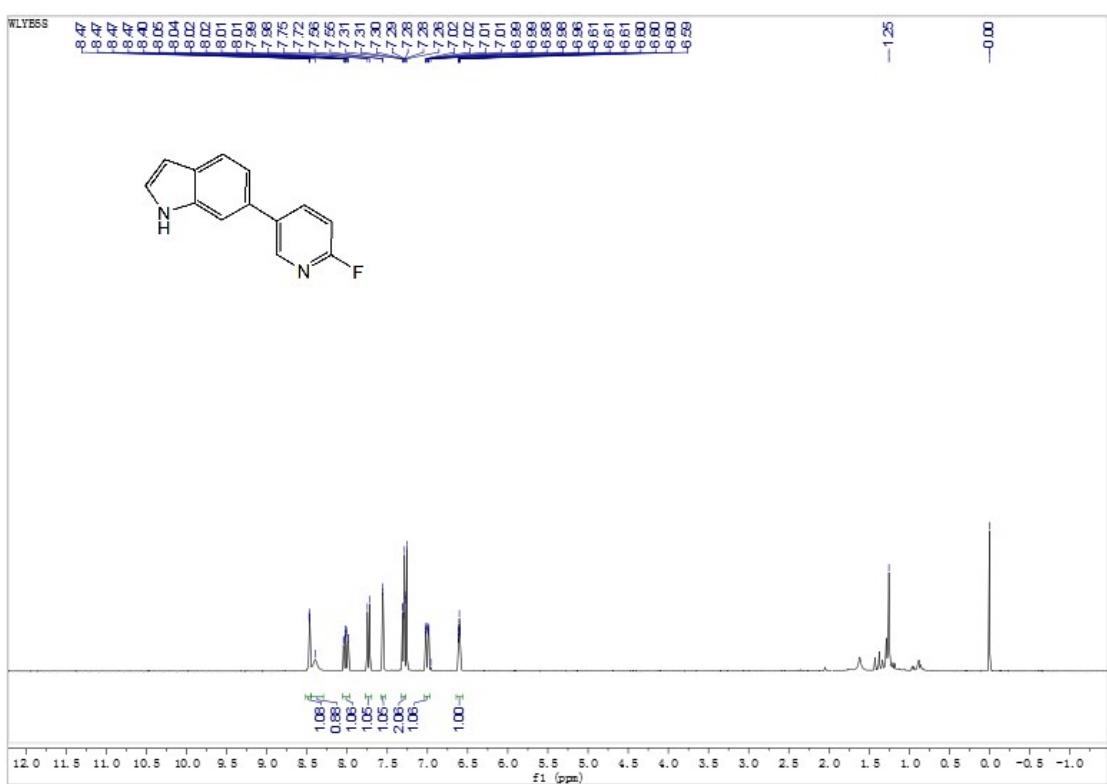


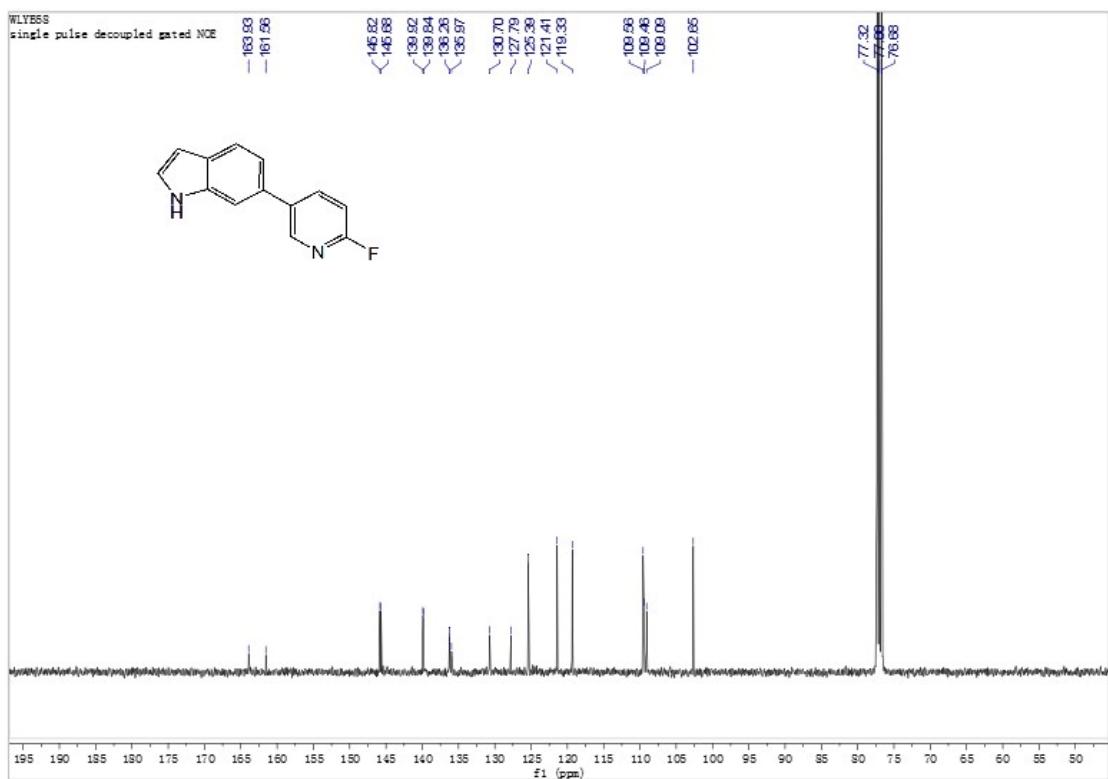
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<sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of compound 6f





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