

## Supporting Information

# Controllable Chemoselectivity in Coupling of Bromoalkynes with Alcohols under Visible-Light Irradiation without Additives: Synthesis of Propargyl Alcohols and $\alpha$ -Ketoesters

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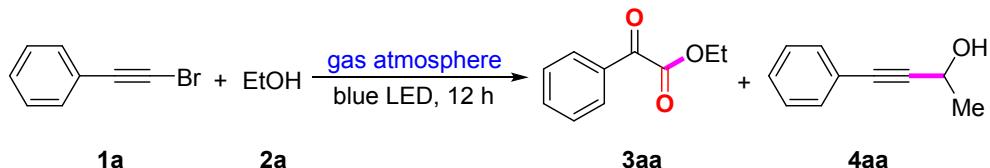
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## 1. General remarks

All reactions were conducted in clean glassware with magnetic stirring. Chromatographic purification was performed on silica gel (400~500 mesh) and analytical thin layer chromatography (TLC) on silica gel 60-F<sub>254</sub> (Qindao), which was detected by fluorescence. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz) and <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz) spectra were measured with a Bruker AC 400 spectrometer with CDCl<sub>3</sub> as solvent and recorded in ppm relative to internal tetramethylsilane standard. NMR data are reported as follows: δ, chemical shift; coupling constants (*J* are given in Hertz, Hz) and integration. Abbreviations to denote the multiplicity of a particular signal were s (singlet), d (doublet), t (triplet), q (quartet), m (multiplet), and br (broad singlet). High resolution mass spectra were obtained with a Micromass GCT-TOF mass spectrometer. Melting points were determined on a digital melting point apparatus and temperatures were uncorrected. GC-MS spectra were measured with GCMS-QP2010 Plus. All light sources are purchased from the market without any particularity.

## 2. Optimization of reaction conditions for coupling of bromoalkynes with alcohols

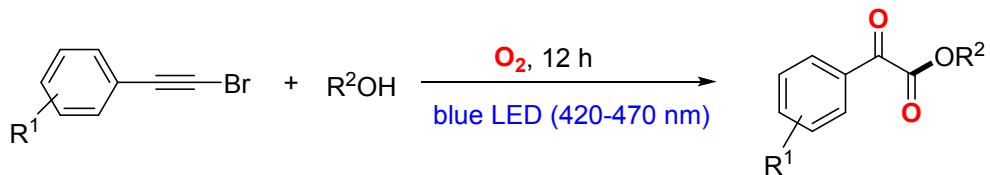


Entry	Light source (nm)	Gas atmosphere	Yield of <b>3aa</b> (%) <sup>a</sup>	Yield of <b>4aa</b> (%) <sup>a</sup>
1	Blue LED (420–470)	Air	57	Trace
2	<i>Blue LED (420–470)</i>	O <sub>2</sub>	73	Trace
3	Blue LED (420–425)	O <sub>2</sub>	12	Trace
4	Blue LED (450–455)	O <sub>2</sub>	53	Trace
5	—	O <sub>2</sub>	Trace	Trace
6	Red LED (610–650)	O <sub>2</sub>	NR	NR
7	Yellow LED (570–610)	O <sub>2</sub>	NR	NR
8	Green LED (480–570)	O <sub>2</sub>	Trace	Trace
9	Blue LED (420–470)	N <sub>2</sub>	Trace	15 <sup>b</sup>
10	Blue LED (420–425)	N <sub>2</sub>	Trace	37 <sup>b</sup>
11	Blue LED (450–455)	N <sub>2</sub>	Trace	18 <sup>b</sup>
12	Blue LED (420–425)	N <sub>2</sub>	Trace	45 <sup>c</sup>
13	Blue LED (420–425)	N <sub>2</sub>	Trace	51 <sup>c,d</sup>
14	<i>Blue LED (420–425)</i>	N <sub>2</sub>	Trace	63 <sup>c,e</sup>
15	Blue LED (420–425)	N <sub>2</sub>	Trace	54 <sup>c,f</sup>

Reaction conditions: **1a** (0.30 mmol), **2a** (2 mL), light source, room temperature for 12 h. <sup>a</sup>Isolated yield.

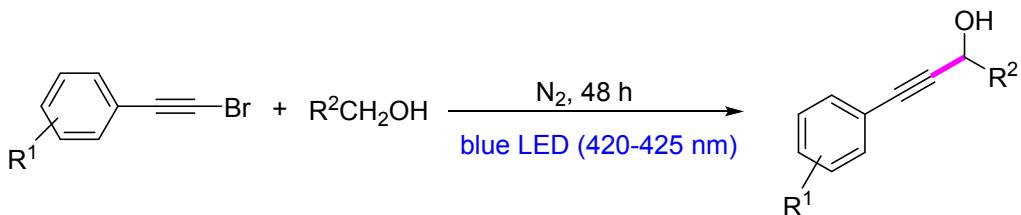
<sup>b</sup>For 36 h. <sup>c</sup>For 48 h. <sup>d</sup>**2a** (4 mL) was used. <sup>e</sup>**2a** (6 mL) was used. <sup>f</sup>**2a** (10 mL) was used.

### 3. General procedure for the synthesis of $\alpha$ -ketoesters



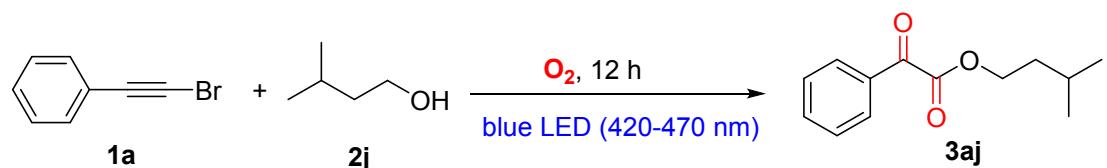
Bromoalkyne (0.20 mmol) was dissolved in ethanol or methanol (2.0 mL). The mixture was stirred tightly with the blue LED (420–470 nm) light source in O<sub>2</sub> for 12 h. Then, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (20:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc) to give the pure product [Note: CH<sub>3</sub>CN was used as solvent when bromoalkynes were reacted with other alcohols (containing C atoms  $\geq 3$ , 2.0 mmol)].

### 4. General procedure for the synthesis of propargyl alcohols



Bromoalkyne (0.20 mmol) was dissolved in alcohol (6.0 mL). The mixture was stirred tightly with the blue LED (420–425 nm) light source in N<sub>2</sub> for 48 h. Then, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (1:2 petroleum ether/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) to give the pure product.

**5. Optimization of the solvent on the reaction (For alcohol: C atoms  $\geq$ 3)**



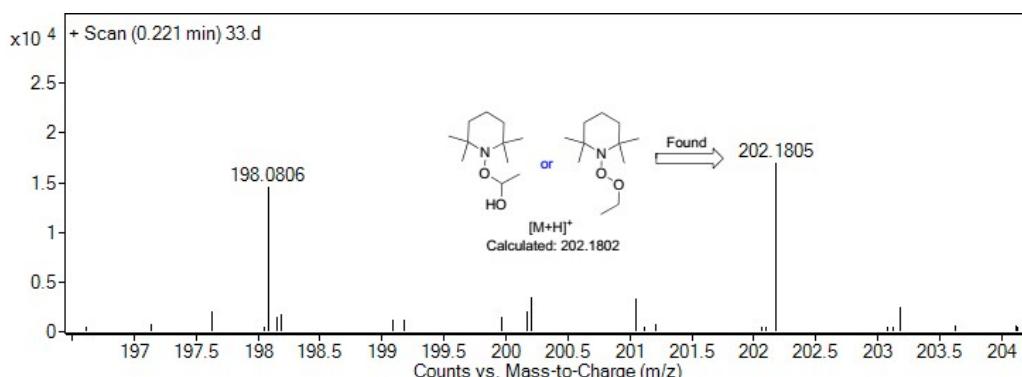
Entry	Solvent	Yield <sup>b</sup> (%)
1	CH <sub>3</sub> CN	51
2	EtOAc	40
3	Ether	39
4	THF	35
5	1,4-Dioxane	33
6	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	< 10
7	DCE	< 10
8	Toluene	< 10
9	DMF	< 10
10	DMSO	< 10
11	CH <sub>3</sub> CN	39 <sup>c</sup>
12	CH <sub>3</sub> CN	62 <sup>d</sup>
13	CH <sub>3</sub> CN	76 <sup>e</sup>
14	CH <sub>3</sub> CN	68 <sup>f</sup>

<sup>a</sup>Reaction conditions: **1a** (0.30 mmol), **2j** (0.60 mmol), blue LED (420–470 nm), solvent (2.0 mL), in O<sub>2</sub> atmosphere, room temperature for 12 h.

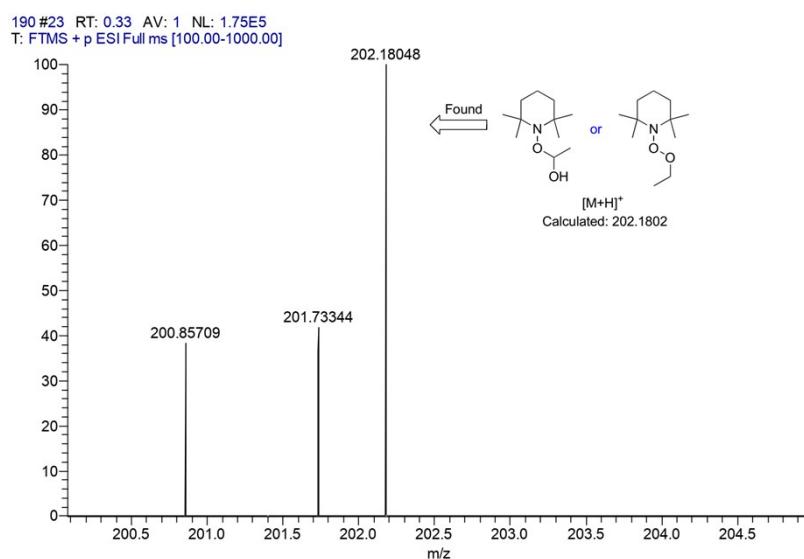
<sup>b</sup>Isolated yield. <sup>c</sup>**2j** (0.30 mmol) was used. <sup>d</sup>**2j** (1.0 mmol) was used. <sup>e</sup>**2j** (2.0 mmol) was used. <sup>f</sup>**2j** (3.0 mmol) was used.

## 6. HRMS analysis for the intermediate C (or E), possible oxidation product of **1a**, and the coupling product of **1a** with **1g**

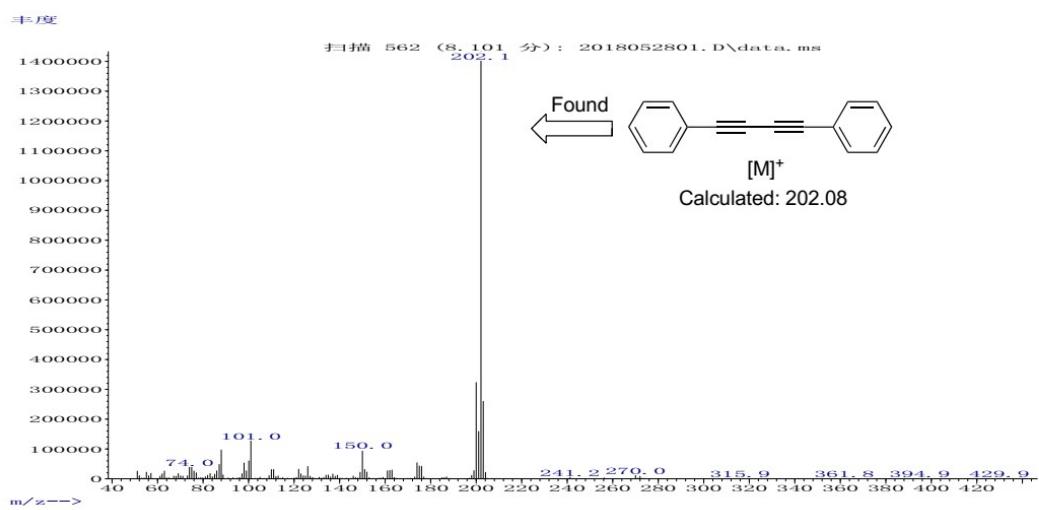
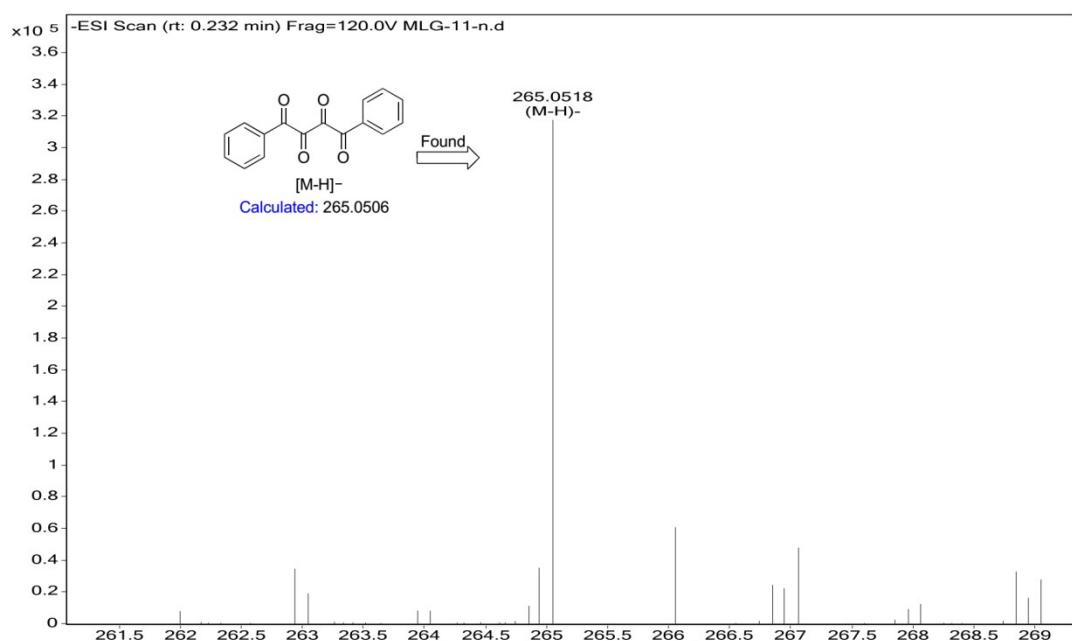
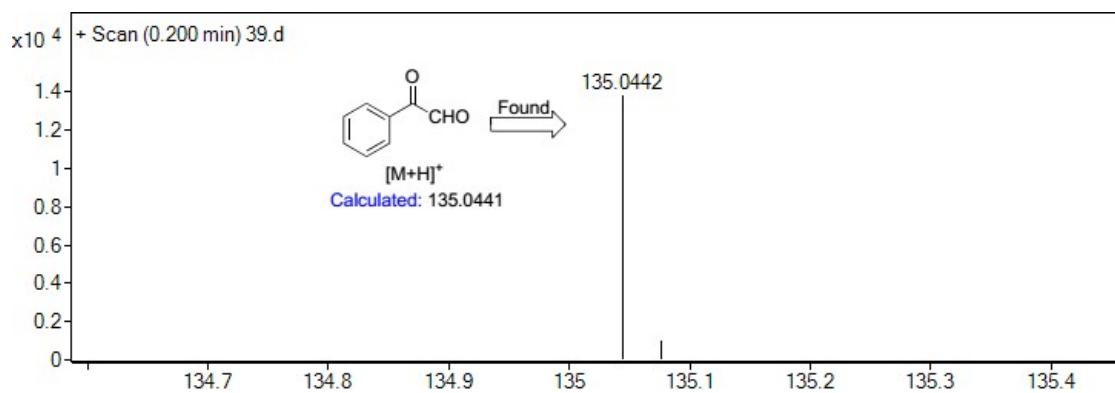
The HRMS studies (Schemes 4b and 4c) were tested to prove the formation of possible key intermediate **C** (or **E**), and which could be detected when 2,2,6,6-tetramethylpiperidinyl-1-oxy (TEMPO) was added under different conditions (one condition is formation of  $\alpha$ -ketoesters, and another condition is formation of propargyl alcohol), but we could not be sure which one was coupled with TEMPO (one or both of them have). Further possible generation of byproducts (oxidation product of **1a**) and the different dimer products of **1a** with **1g** were also observed by HRMS studies, which imply that the initiation of the reaction might be started from the homolysis of bromoalkynes.



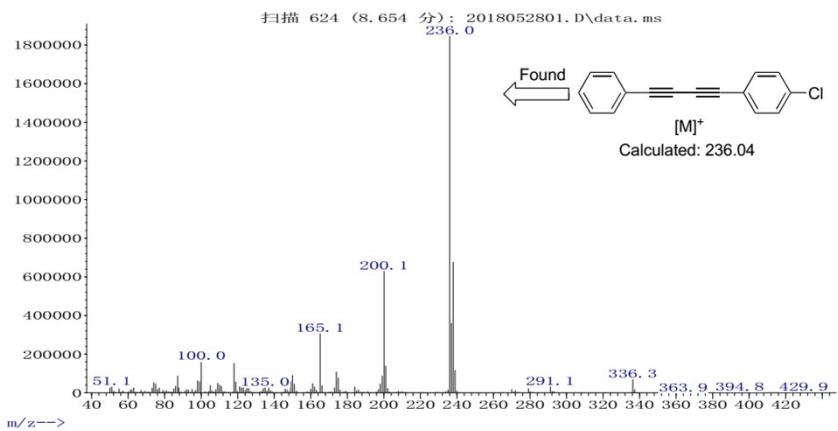
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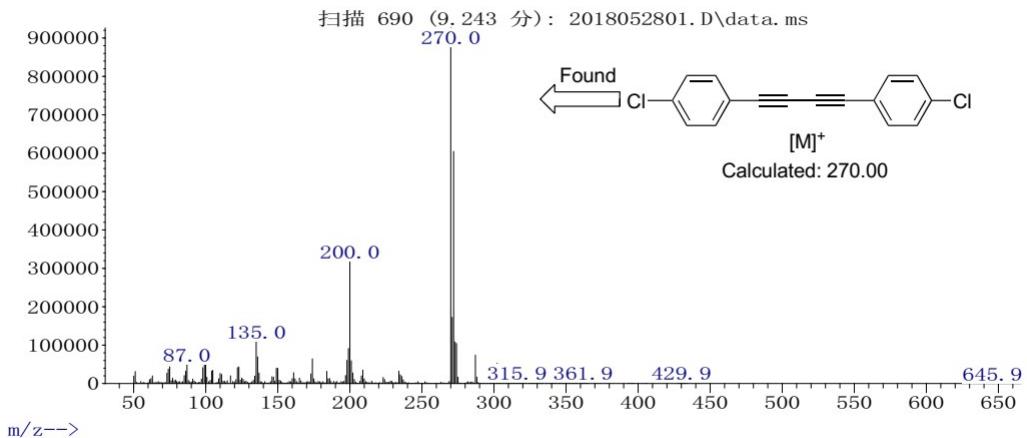
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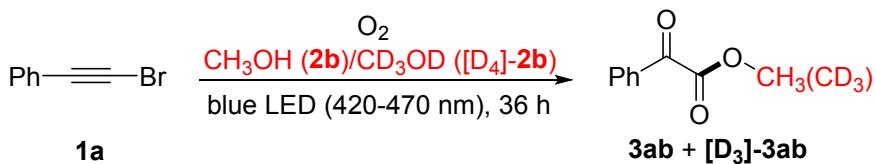


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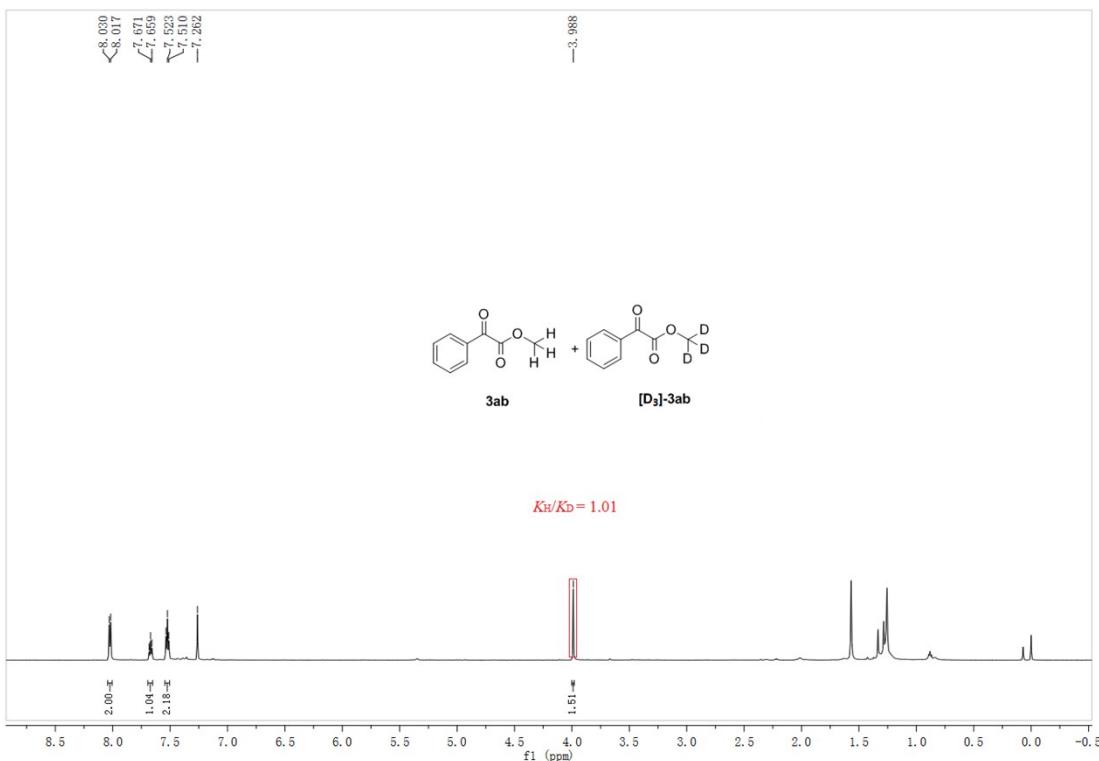


## 7. Kinetic isotope effect (KIE) experiments

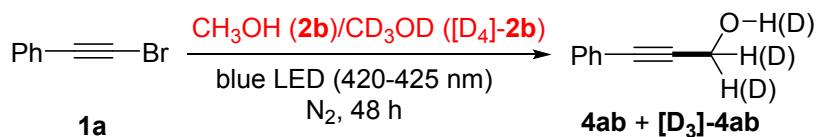
### 7.1 KIE experiment (I)



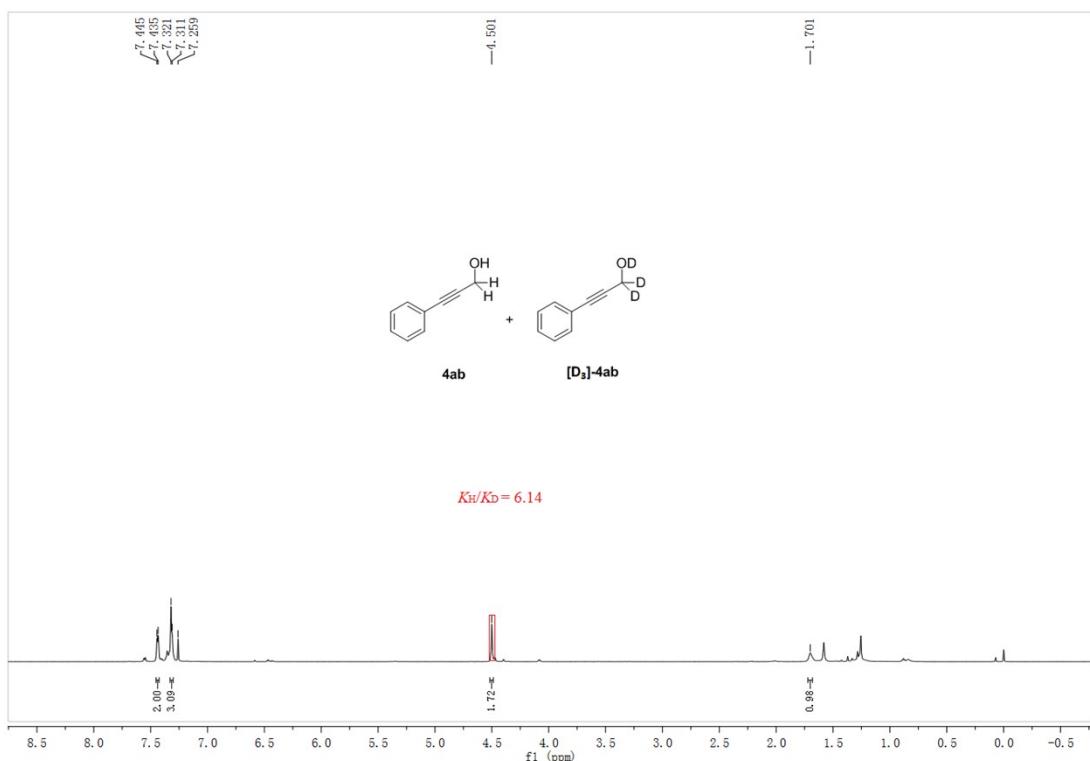
Phenylethynyl bromide (**1a**, 0.20 mmol) was dissolved in mixture of methanol (25 mmol) and D<sub>4</sub>-methanol (25 mmol). The mixture was stirred tightly with the blue LED (420–470 nm) irradiation in O<sub>2</sub> for 36 h. Then, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (20:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc) to give the pure product (6 mg, ~19% total yield). The KIE value ( $k_{\text{H}}/k_{\text{D}} = 1$ ) was determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz) of **3ab** and **[D<sub>3</sub>]-3ab**.



## 7.2 KIE experiment (II)

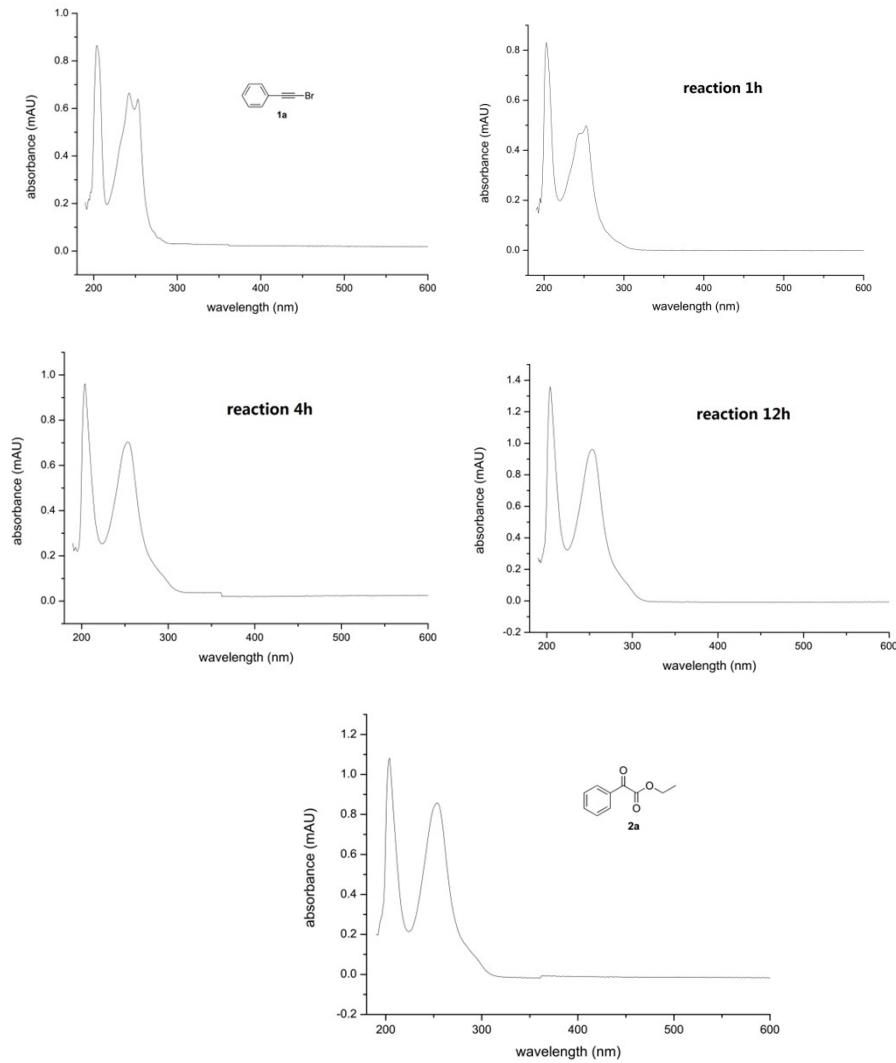


Phenylethyne bromide (**1a**, 0.20 mmol) was dissolved in a mixture of methanol (36 mmol) and D<sub>4</sub>-methanol (36 mmol). The mixture was stirred tightly with the blue LED (420–425 nm) irradiation in N<sub>2</sub> for 48 h. Then, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (1:2 petroleum ether/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) to give the pure product (4 mg, ~16% total yield). The KIE value ( $k_H/k_D = 6.14$ ) was determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz) of **4ab** and [D<sub>3</sub>]-**4ab**.



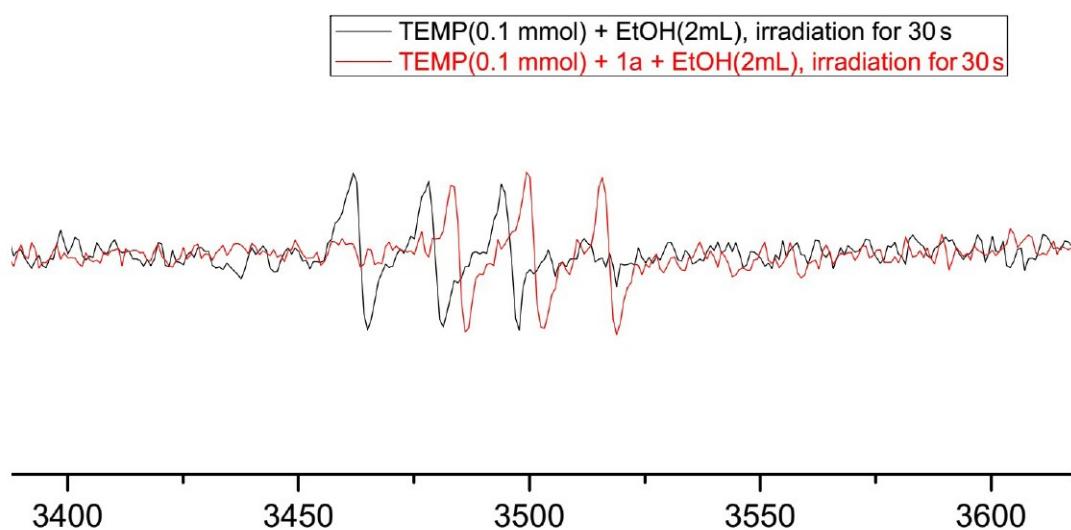
## 8. UV-Vis experiments

The UV-Vis measurement was performed with an ethanol solution of **1a**, indicating that an electron-donor acceptor (EDA) complex was not formed.



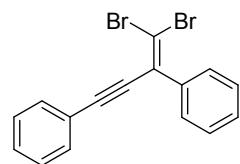
## 9. EPR experiments

The EPR were investigated under following conditions, which proved the non-existence of  ${}^1\text{O}_2$  during the formation of  $\alpha$ -ketoesters.

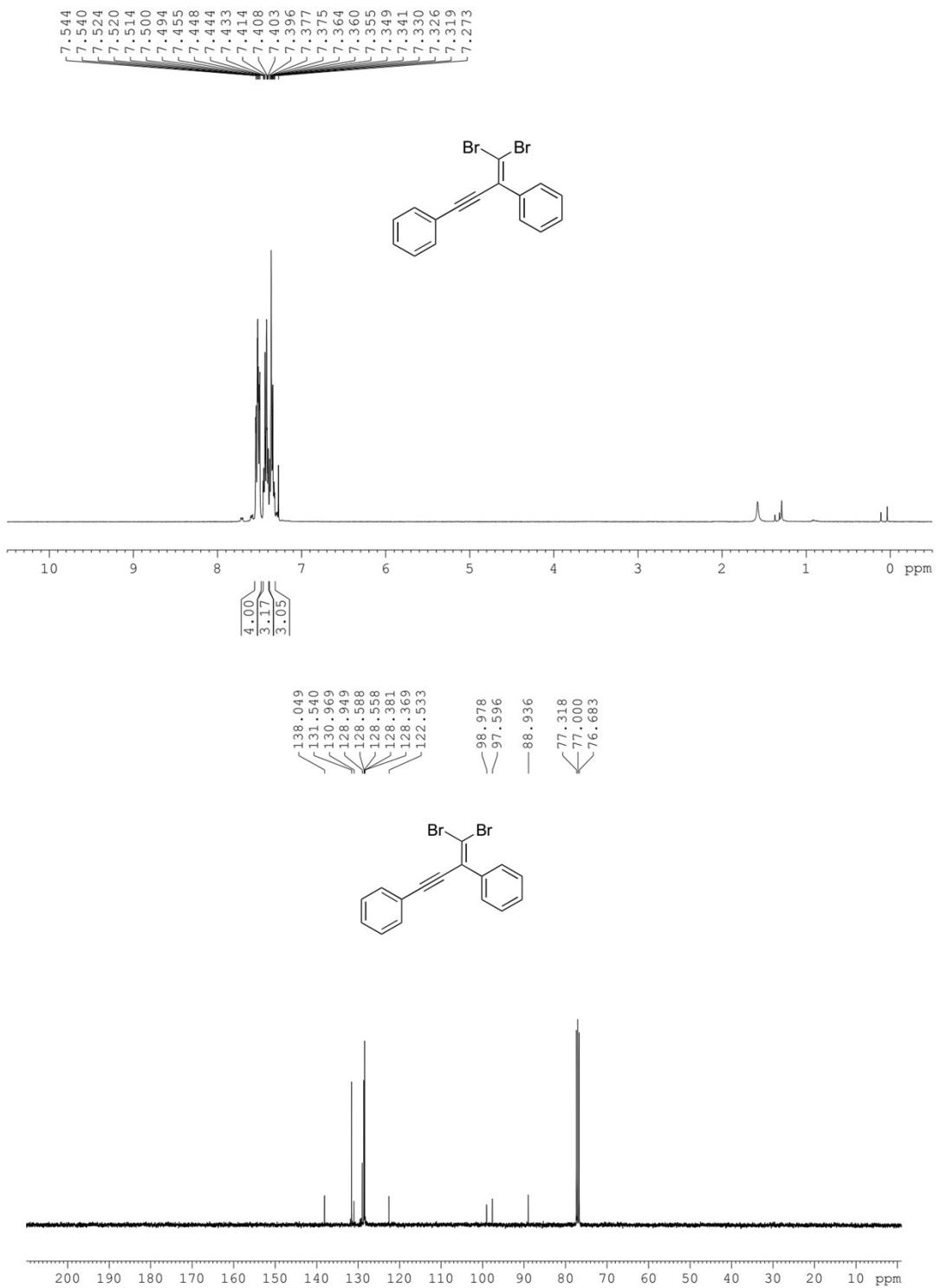


## 10. Characterization data for 4,4-dibromobut-3-en-1-yn-1,3-diyl)dibenzene

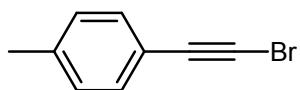
*Known compound*, see: V. K. Karapala, H.-P. Shih and C.-C. Han, *Org. Lett.*, 2018, **20**, 1550.



Pale yellow oil.  ${}^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.54–7.49 (m, 4H), 7.45–7.39 (m, 3H), 7.37–7.31 (m, 3H).  ${}^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  138.0, 131.5, 130.9, 128.9, 128.5, 128.5, 128.3, 128.3, 122.5, 98.9, 97.5, 88.9.

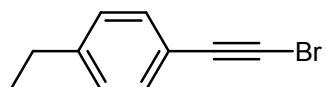


## 11. Characterization data for the bromoalkynes (**1b–1n**)

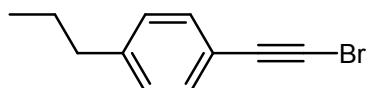


**1-(Bromoethynyl)-4-methylbenzene (**1b**).<sup>1</sup>** Yellow oil (163 mg, 84% yield).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.37 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.14 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.36 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 138.8, 131.8, 129.0, 119.6, 80.1, 48.7, 21.4.

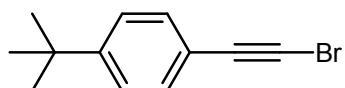


**1-(Bromoethynyl)-4-ethylbenzene (**1c**).<sup>2</sup>** Yellow oil (170 mg, 82% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.39 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.16 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.68 (q, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 1.26 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 145.1, 131.9, 127.8, 119.8, 80.1, 48.6, 28.8, 15.2.



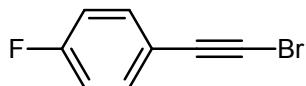
**1-(Bromoethynyl)-4-propylbenzene (**1d**).<sup>3</sup>** Yellow oil (180 mg, 81% yield).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.39 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.14 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.61 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.69 (sextet, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 0.97 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 143.6, 131.8, 128.4, 119.8, 80.2, 48.7, 37.9, 24.2, 13.7.

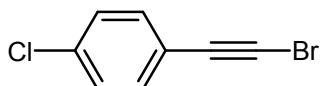


**1-(Bromoethynyl)-4-(*tert*-butyl)benzene (**1e**).<sup>3</sup>** Colorless oil (185 mg, 78% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.31–7.39 (m, 2H), 7.35–7.33 (m, 2H), 1.32 (s, 9H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 151.9, 131.7, 125.3, 119.6, 80.1,

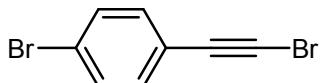
48.6, 34.8, 31.3.



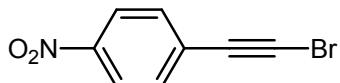
**1-(Bromoethynyl)-4-fluorobenzene (1f).**<sup>2</sup> Yellow oil (155 mg, 78% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.46–7.41 (m, 2H), 7.04–6.99 (m, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 163.9 (d, *J* = 248.7 Hz), 133.9 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz), 118.8 (d, *J* = 3.5 Hz), 115.7 (d, *J* = 22.0 Hz), 79.0, 49.5.



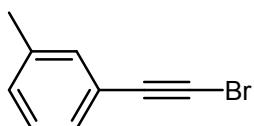
**1-(Bromoethynyl)-4-chlorobenzene (1g).**<sup>1</sup> White solid (174 mg, 81% yield). Mp: 88–90 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.40–7.37 (m, 2H), 7.31–7.28 (m, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 134.8, 133.2, 128.7, 121.1, 79.0, 51.0.



**1-Bromo-4-(bromoethynyl)benzene (1h).**<sup>1</sup> White solid (207 mg, 80% yield). Mp: 100–101 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.47–7.44 (m, 2H), 7.33–7.29 (m, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 133.4, 131.6, 123.0, 121.6, 79.0, 51.2.

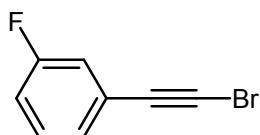


**1-(Bromoethynyl)-4-nitrobenzene (1i).**<sup>1</sup> Yellow solid (171 mg, 76% yield). Mp: 170–172 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 8.21–8.18 (m, 2H), 7.62–7.58 (m, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 147.3, 132.8, 129.4, 123.6, 78.4, 56.3.



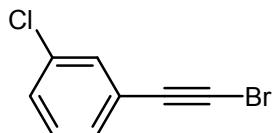
**1-(Bromoethynyl)-3-methylbenzene (1j).**<sup>2</sup> Yellow oil (144 mg, 74% yield).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.30–7.27 (m, 2H), 7.24–7.16 (m, 2H), 2.35 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 138.0, 132.5, 129.5, 129.0, 128.2, 122.5, 80.2, 49.2, 21.7.

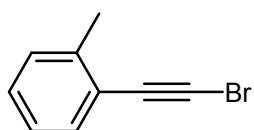


**1-(Bromoethynyl)-3-fluorobenzene (1k).**<sup>4</sup> Yellow oil (149 mg, 75% yield).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.31–7.22 (m, 2H), 7.17–7.13 (m, 1H), 7.09–7.04 (m, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 163.4 (d, *J* = 245.5 Hz), 129.9 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 127.9 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz), 124.5 (d, *J* = 9.5 Hz), 118.9 (d, *J* = 23.0 Hz), 116.2 (d, *J* = 21.1 Hz), 78.8, 51.2.



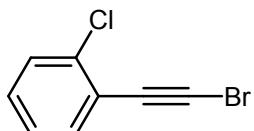
**1-(Bromoethynyl)-3-chlorobenzene (1l).**<sup>1</sup> Yellow oil (169 mg, 79% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.45 (t, *J* = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.34–7.32 (m, 2H), 7.27–7.23 (m, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 134.1, 131.8, 130.1, 129.5, 129.0, 124.3, 78.7, 51.4.



**1-(Bromoethynyl)-2-methylbenzene (1m).**<sup>1</sup> Yellow oil (146 mg, 75% yield).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.45 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.28–7.20 (m, 2H),

7.17–7.13 (m, 1H), 2.46 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  140.8, 132.3, 129.4, 128.6, 125.5, 122.5, 79.1, 52.7, 20.5.



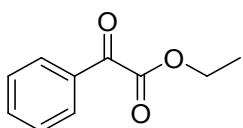
**1-(Bromoethynyl)-2-chlorobenzene (1n).**<sup>1</sup> Colorless oil (159 mg, 74% yield).

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.50 (dd,  $J = 1.2, 7.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.41 (dd,  $J = 0.8, 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.30 (td,  $J = 1.2, 7.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.23 (td,  $J = 1.2, 7.6$  Hz, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  136.3, 133.8, 129.6, 129.3, 126.4, 122.6, 76.9, 55.2.

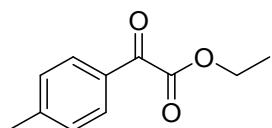
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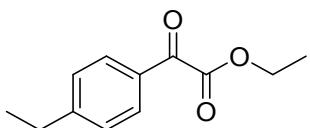
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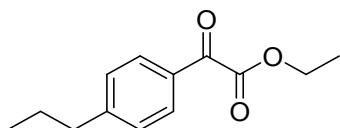
**Ethyl 2-oxo-2-phenylacetate (3aa).**<sup>1</sup> Colorless oil (39 mg, 73% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 8.02–8.00 (m, 2H), 7.68–7.64 (m, 1H), 7.53 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 4.48 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.44 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 186.4, 163.8, 134.8, 132.4, 130.0, 128.8, 62.3, 14.1.



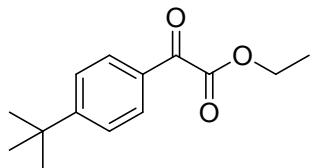
**Ethyl 2-oxo-2-(*p*-tolyl)acetate (3ba).**<sup>2</sup> Pale yellow oil (44 mg, 76% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.91 (d, *J* = 8.4, 2H), 7.31 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 4.46 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.43 (s, 3H), 1.43 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 186.0, 164.0, 146.1, 130.1, 130.0, 129.6, 62.1, 21.8, 14.0.



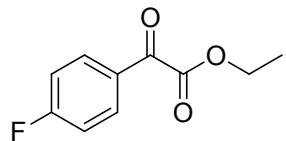
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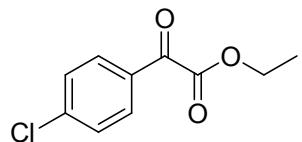
**Ethyl 2-oxo-2-(4-propylphenyl)acetate (3da).**<sup>4</sup> Pale yellow oil (47 mg, 71% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.93 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.32 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 4.47 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.68 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.71 (sextet, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.43 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 0.96 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 186.1, 164.0, 150.8, 130.2, 130.1, 129.0, 62.1, 38.1, 24.0, 14.1, 13.7.



**Ethyl 2-(4-(*tert*-butyl)phenyl)-2-oxoacetate (3ea).**<sup>5</sup> Pale yellow oil (54 mg, 76% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.96–7.93 (m, 2H), 7.53–7.51 (m, 2H), 4.47 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.43 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 1.34 (s, 9H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 186.0, 164.0, 159.0, 130.0, 129.9, 125.9, 62.2, 35.3, 30.9, 14.1.

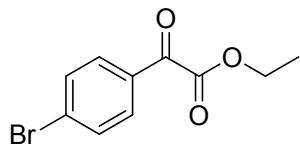


**Ethyl 2-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-oxoacetate (3fa).**<sup>2</sup> Pale yellow oil (46 mg, 78% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>): 8.08–8.03 (m, 2H), 7.46 (m, 2H), 4.43 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.33 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>): δ 185.4, 167.9 (*J* = 253.9 Hz), 163.7, 133.5 (*J* = 10.1 Hz), 129.1 (*J* = 2.7 Hz), 117.1 (*J* = 22.4 Hz), 62.8, 14.2.

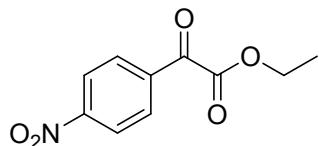


**Ethyl 2-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-oxoacetate (3ga).**<sup>2</sup> Pale yellow oil (47 mg, 74% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 8.00–7.97 (m, 2H), 7.50–7.47 (m, 2H),

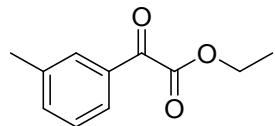
4.47 (q,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 2H), 1.44 (t,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  184.8, 163.2, 141.6, 131.4, 130.9, 129.2, 62.5, 14.0



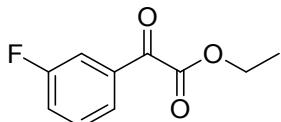
**Ethyl 2-(4-bromophenyl)-2-oxoacetate (3ha).**<sup>1</sup> Pale yellow oil (58 mg, 76% yield).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.90–7.88 (m, 2H), 7.66–7.64 (m, 2H), 4.47 (q,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 2H), 1.43 (t,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  185.0, 163.1, 132.2, 131.4, 131.3, 130.4, 62.5, 14.0.



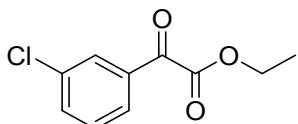
**Ethyl 2-(4-nitrophenyl)-2-oxoacetate (3ia).**<sup>6</sup> Pale yellow oil (35 mg, 52% yield).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  8.36 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 2H), 8.25 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 2H), 4.51 (q,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 2H), 1.47 (t,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  184.1, 162.2, 151.1, 137.0, 131.2, 123.9, 63.0, 14.0.



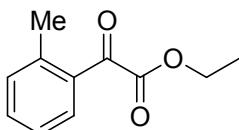
**Ethyl 2-oxo-2-(*m*-tolyl)acetate (3ja).**<sup>2</sup> Pale yellow oil (42 mg, 72% yield).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.80 (d,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 2H), 7.47 (d,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.41 (t,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 4.47 (q,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 2H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 1.44 (t,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  186.6, 164.0, 138.8, 135.7, 132.4, 130.2, 128.7, 127.3, 62.2, 21.2, 14.1.



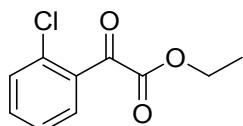
**Ethyl 2-(3-fluorophenyl)-2-oxoacetate (3ka).**<sup>7</sup> Pale yellow oil (41 mg, 69% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 7.83 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.75 (dt, *J* = 2.4, 9.2 Hz, 1H), 7.53–7.48 (m, 1H), 7.38 (td, *J* = 2.8, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 4.48 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.45 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 184.9 (d, *J* = 2.5 Hz), 163.9 (d, *J* = 247.6 Hz), 163.0, 134.5 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz), 130.6 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz), 126.0 (d, *J* = 3.1 Hz), 122.1 (d, *J* = 21.4 Hz), 116.5 (d, *J* = 22.7 Hz), 62.5, 14.0.



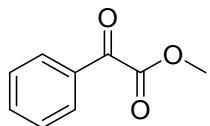
**Ethyl 2-(3-chlorophenyl)-2-oxoacetate (3la).**<sup>1</sup> Pale yellow oil (43 mg, 68% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 8.01 (t, *J* = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.92 (dt, *J* = 1.2, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (ddd, *J* = 1.2, 2.0, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.88 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.45 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 184.8, 162.9, 135.2, 134.7, 134.0, 130.2, 129.8, 128.2, 62.6, 14.0.



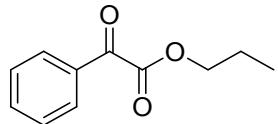
**Ethyl 2-oxo-2-(*o*-tolyl)acetate (3ma).**<sup>2</sup> Pale yellow oil (39 mg, 68% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.70 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (td, *J* = 1.2, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 4.46 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.61 (s, 3H), 1.43 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 188.7, 164.6, 141.3, 133.6, 132.3, 132.2, 131.2, 125.9, 62.2, 21.4, 14.0.



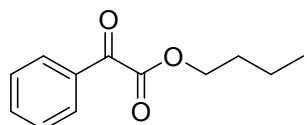
**Ethyl 2-(2-chlorophenyl)-2-oxoacetate (3na).**<sup>1</sup> Pale yellow oil (40 mg, 63% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.77 (dd, *J* = 2.0, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.54–7.50 (m, 1H), 7.45–7.38 (m, 2H), 4.45 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 1.41 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 186.5, 163.0, 134.2, 133.8, 133.3, 131.6, 130.5, 127.2, 62.8, 13.8.



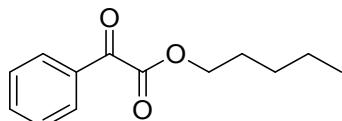
**Methyl 2-oxo-2-phenylacetate (3ab).**<sup>8</sup> Colorless oil (32 mg, 65% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 8.02–8.00 (m, 2H), 7.68–7.64 (m, 1H), 7.53 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.98 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 186.0, 164.0, 135.0, 132.4, 130.0, 128.9, 52.7.



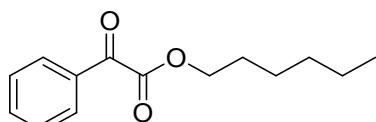
**Propyl 2-oxo-2-phenylacetate (3ac).**<sup>8</sup> Colorless oil (38 mg, 66% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 8.01–7.99 (m, 2H), 7.68–7.64 (m, 1H), 7.53–7.49 (m, 2H), 4.37 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 1.82 (sextet, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 1.03 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 186.5, 164.0, 134.8, 132.5, 129.9, 128.8, 67.7, 21.8, 10.2.



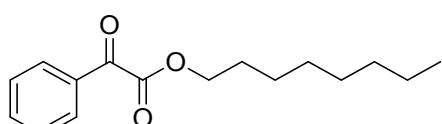
**Butyl 2-oxo-2-phenylacetate (3ad).**<sup>8</sup> Colorless oil (44 mg, 71% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 8.01–7.99 (m, 2H), 7.68–7.64 (m, 1H), 7.53 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 4.41 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 1.80 (quintet, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 1.50 (sextet, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 0.98 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 186.4, 164.0, 134.8, 132.5, 129.9, 128.8, 66.0, 30.4, 19.0, 13.6.



**Pentyl 2-oxo-2-phenylacetate (3ae).**<sup>8</sup> Colorless oil (45 mg, 69% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 8.01–7.99 (m, 2H), 7.68 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 4.40 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.82 (quintet, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.42–1.33 (m, 4H), 0.93 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 186.4, 164.0, 134.8, 132.5, 130.0, 128.8, 66.3, 28.1, 27.8, 22.2, 13.8.

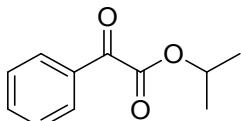


**Hexyl 2-oxo-2-phenylacetate (3af).**<sup>8</sup> Colorless oil (50 mg, 72% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 8.01 (dd, *J* = 0.8, 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.67–7.63 (m, 1H), 7.53 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 4.40 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.81 (quintet, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.45–1.37 (m, 2H), 1.34–1.30 (m, 4H), 0.91 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 186.4, 164.0, 134.8, 132.5, 130.0, 128.8, 66.3, 31.3, 28.4, 25.4, 22.4, 13.9.

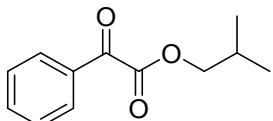


**Octyl 2-oxo-2-phenylacetate (3ag).**<sup>9</sup> Colorless oil (58 mg, 74% yield). <sup>1</sup>H

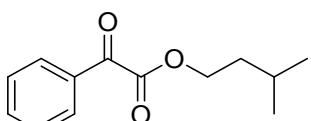
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**iso-Propyl 2-oxo-2-phenylacetate (3ah).**<sup>8</sup> Colorless oil (28 mg, 48% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 8.00–7.98 (m, 2H), 7.68–7.73 (m, 1H), 7.53–7.49 (m, 2H), 5.37 (septet, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 1.42 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 186.7, 163.6, 134.7, 132.5, 129.9, 128.8, 70.6, 21.7

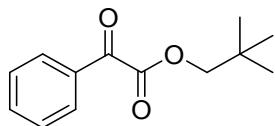


**iso-Butyl 2-oxo-2-phenylacetate (3ai).**<sup>8</sup> Colorless oil (47 mg, 77% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.93–7.90 (m, 2H), 7.59 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 4.10 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.05 (septet, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 0.93 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 186.5, 164.0, 134.8, 132.5, 129.9, 128.9, 72.0, 27.7, 18.9.

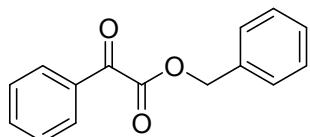


**iso-Pentyl 2-oxo-2-phenylacetate (3aj).**<sup>8</sup> Colorless oil (50 mg, 76% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ 7.95–7.93 (m, 2H), 7.80 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H),

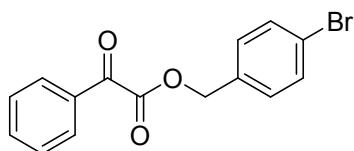
7.63 (t,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 2H), 4.38 (t,  $J = 6.8$  Hz, 2H), 1.72 (quintet,  $J = 6.4$  Hz, 2H), 1.33–1.28 (m, 4H), 0.87 (t,  $J = 6.8$  Hz, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  187.2, 164.2, 135.9, 132.1, 130.1, 129.7, 66.5, 27.9, 27.8, 22.0, 14.2.



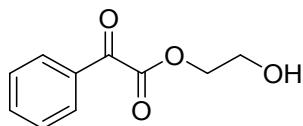
**Neopentyl 2-oxo-2-phenylacetate (3ak).**<sup>10</sup> Colorless oil (47 mg, 71% yield).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  8.01–7.99 (m, 2H), 7.68–7.64 (m, 1H), 7.53 (t,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H), 4.10 (s, 2H), 1.01 (s, 9H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  186.5, 164.1, 134.8, 132.5, 129.9, 128.9, 75.2, 31.5, 26.3.



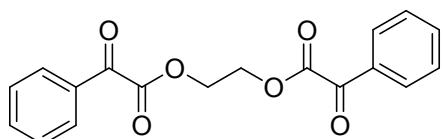
**Benzyl 2-oxo-2-phenylacetate (3al).**<sup>11</sup> Colorless oil (43 mg, 60% yield).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.96–7.94 (m, 2H), 7.64 (t,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.48–7.42 (m, 4H), 7.40–7.34 (m, 3H), 5.40 (s, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  186.0, 163.6, 134.9, 134.5, 132.4, 130.0, 128.9, 128.8, 128.7, 128.6, 67.7.



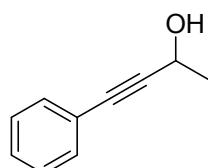
**4-Bromobenzyl 2-oxo-2-phenylacetate (3am).**<sup>11</sup> Yellow solid (56 mg, 59% yield).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.97 (dd,  $J = 0.8, 8.0$  Hz, 2H), 7.67–7.63 (m, 1H), 7.53–7.47 (m, 4H), 7.33 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 2H), 5.35 (s, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  185.7, 163.4, 135.0, 133.5, 132.3, 131.9, 130.2, 130.0, 128.9, 122.9, 66.9.



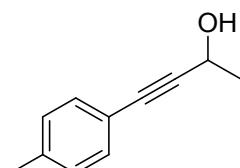
**2-Hydroxyethyl 2-oxo-2-phenylacetate (3an).** Pale yellow oil (36 mg, 62% yield).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  7.99–7.97 (m, 2H), 7.81–7.76 (m, 1H), 7.64–7.60 (m, 2H), 4.42 (t,  $J = 4.8$  Hz, 2H), 3.71 (t,  $J = 4.8$  Hz, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  187.3, 164.3, 135.9, 132.2, 130.2, 129.7, 68.1, 59.1. HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{11}\text{O}_4$  ( $\text{M}+\text{H}$ ) $^+$ : 195.0652; Found: 195.0643.



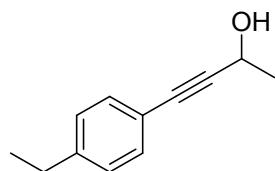
**Ethane-1,2-diyl bis(2-oxo-2-phenylacetate) (3ao).** Pale yellow oil (28 mg, 29% yield).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  8.02–8.00 (m, 4H), 7.67–7.63 (m, 2H), 7.51 (t,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 4H), 4.74 (s, 4H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  185.5, 163.2, 135.1, 132.1, 130.1, 128.9, 62.9. HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{15}\text{O}_6$  ( $\text{M}+\text{H}$ ) $^+$ : 327.0863; Found: 327.0866.



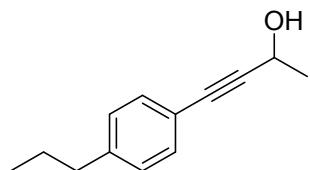
**4-Phenylbut-3-yn-2-ol (4aa).**<sup>12</sup> Colorless oil (18.1 mg, 63% yield).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.45–7.43 (m, 2H), 7.33–7.31 (m, 3H), 4.80–4.74 (m, 1H), 1.99 (d,  $J = 5.3$  Hz, 1H), 1.57 (d,  $J = 6.6$  Hz, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  131.6, 128.3, 128.2, 122.5, 90.9, 84.0, 58.8, 24.4.



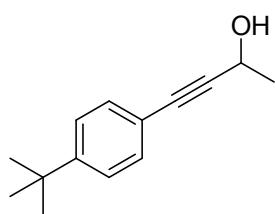
**4-(*p*-Tolyl)but-3-yn-2-ol (**4ba**).<sup>13</sup>** Pale yellow oil (16.3 mg, 51% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.32 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.11 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 4.77 (q, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 2.34 (s, 3H), 2.01 (s, 1H), 1.55 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 138.4, 131.5, 129.0, 119.5, 90.2, 84.1, 58.8, 24.3, 21.4.



**4-(4-Ethylphenyl)but-3-yn-2-ol (**4ca**).<sup>13</sup>** Pale yellow oil (17 mg, 49% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.35 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.13 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 4.77 (q, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 2.66 (q, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.05 (s, 1H), 1.55 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 3H), 1.23 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 144.7, 131.6, 127.8, 119.7, 90.3, 84.1, 58.8, 28.7, 24.4, 15.2. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>15</sub>O (M+H)<sup>+</sup>: 175.1117; Found: 175.1118.

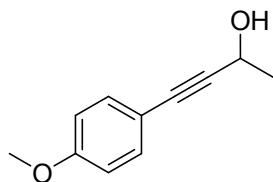


**4-(4-Propylphenyl)but-3-yn-2-ol (**4da**).<sup>13</sup>** Pale yellow oil (20 mg, 53% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.35 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.13 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 4.79–4.72 (m 1H), 2.60 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 1.95–1.94 (m, 1H), 1.62–1.61 (m, 2H), 1.56 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H), 0.95 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 143.2, 131.5, 128.4, 119.7, 90.2, 84.1, 58.9, 37.8, 24.4, 24.2, 13.6. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>15</sub>O (M+H)<sup>+</sup>: 189.1274; Found: 189.1274.



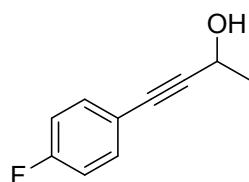
**4-(4-(*tert*-Butyl)phenyl)but-3-yn-2-ol (4ea).**<sup>14</sup> Pale yellow oil (24.6 mg, 61% yield).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.37–7.35 (m, 2H), 7.33–7.30 (m, 2H), 4.77 (q, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 2.01 (s, 1H), 1.55 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 3H), 1.30 (s, 9H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 151.1, 131.3, 125.2, 119.5, 90.2, 84.1, 58.9, 34.7, 31.1, 24.4.



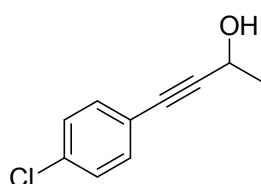
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NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ 7.33 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.92 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 5.37 (d, *J* = 5.3 Hz, 1H), 4.58–4.52 (m, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 1.36 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ 159.6, 133.1, 114.9, 114.6, 92.2, 82.5, 57.1, 55.6, 25.1.



**4-(4-Fluorophenyl)but-3-yn-2-ol (4ga).**<sup>13</sup> Pale yellow oil (18.6 mg, 57% yield). <sup>1</sup>H

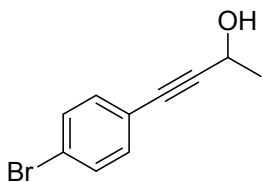
NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.43–7.38 (m, 2H), 7.03–6.97 (m, 2H), 4.78–4.72 (m, 1H), 2.01 (d, *J* = 5.1 Hz, 1H), 1.56 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H), 1.31 (s, 9H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 163.7 (*J* = 248.0 Hz), 133.5 (*J* = 8.3 Hz), 118.6 (*J* = 3.5 Hz), 115.6 (*J* = 21.9 Hz), 90.6, 82.9, 58.8, 24.3.



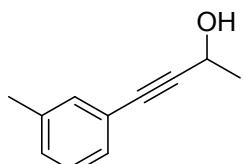
**4-(4-Chlorophenyl)but-3-yn-2-ol (4ha).**<sup>15</sup> Pale yellow oil (22 mg, 61% yield). <sup>1</sup>H

NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.36–7.32 (m, 2H), 7.29–7.27 (m, 2H), 4.78–4.72 (m, 1H), 2.12 (d, *J* = 5.1 Hz, 1H), 1.56 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):

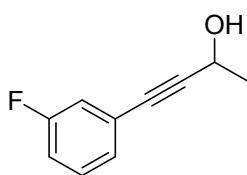
$\delta$  134.4, 132.8, 128.6, 121.0, 91.9, 82.9, 58.7, 24.3.



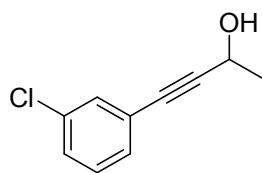
**4-(4-Bromophenyl)but-3-yne-2-ol (4ia).**<sup>13</sup> Pale yellow oil (26.9 mg, 60% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  7.56–7.53 (m, 2H), 7.35–7.31 (m, 2H), 5.47 (d,  $J$  = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 4.60–4.53 (m, 1H), 1.37 (d,  $J$  = 6.6 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  133.5, 132.1, 122.2, 122.1, 95.1, 81.5, 57.1, 24.9.



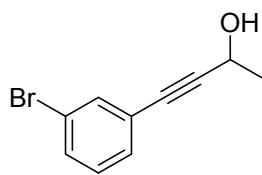
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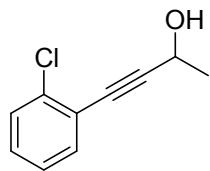
**4-(3-Fluorophenyl)but-3-yne-2-ol (4ka).**<sup>13</sup> Pale yellow oil (20.3 mg, 62% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.30–7.26 (m, 1H), 7.21–7.19 (m, 1H), 7.14–7.11 (m, 1H), 7.05–7.00 (m, 1H), 4.79–4.72 (m, 1H), 2.05 (s, 1H), 1.57 (d,  $J$  = 6.6 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  163.5 ( $J$  = 245.0 Hz), 129.8 ( $J$  = 8.5 Hz), 127.5 ( $J$  = 3.0 Hz), 124.5 ( $J$  = 9.3 Hz), 118.5 ( $J$  = 22.7 Hz), 115.8 ( $J$  = 21.0 Hz), 91.8, 82.8 ( $J$  = 3.4 Hz), 58.7, 24.2.



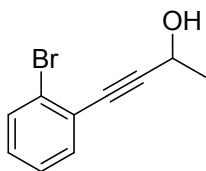
**4-(3-Chlorophenyl)but-3-yn-2-ol (4la).**<sup>14</sup> Pale yellow oil (22.3 mg, 62% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.41–7.40 (m, 1H), 7.30–7.28 (m, 2H), 7.24–7.20 (m, 1H), 4.75–4.73 (m, 1H), 2.00 (s, 1H), 1.55 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 134.1, 131.5, 129.7, 129.4, 128.6, 124.3, 92.1, 82.6, 58.7, 24.2.



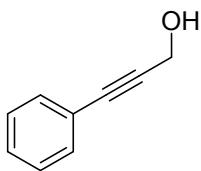
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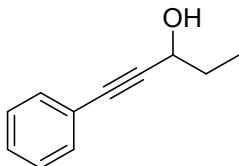
**4-(2-Chlorophenyl)but-3-yn-2-ol (4na).**<sup>16</sup> Pale yellow oil (22.3 mg, 62% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.47 (dd, *J* = 1.8, 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (dd, *J* = 1.3, 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.25–7.18 (m, 2H), 4.84–4.77 (m, 1H), 2.01 (d, *J* = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 1.59 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 135.9, 133.3, 129.4, 129.2, 126.4, 122.5, 96.2, 80.8, 58.9, 24.2.



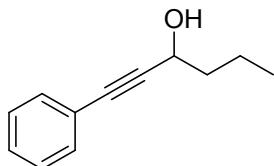
**4-(2-Bromophenyl)but-3-yn-2-ol (4oa).**<sup>15</sup> Pale yellow oil (26.4 mg, 59% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.59 (dd, *J* = 1.0, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (dd, *J* = 1.6, 7.6 Hz, 1H) 7.27–7.23(m, 1H), 7.18–7.14 (m, 1H), 4.84–4.77 (m, 1H), 2.18 (d, *J* = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 1.60 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 133.3, 132.3, 129.5, 126.9, 125.5, 124.7, 95.6, 82.6, 58.9, 24.2.



**3-Phenylprop-2-yn-1-ol (4ab).**<sup>12</sup> Colorless oil (10.3 mg, 39% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.46–7.44 (m, 2H), 7.34–7.31 (m, 3H), 4.51 (d, *J* = 4.4 Hz, 1H), 1.77 (s, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 131.6, 128.4, 128.3, 122.5, 87.1, 85.7, 51.6.

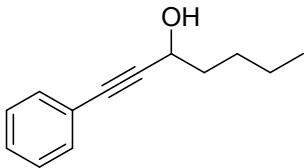


**1-Phenypent-1-yn-3-ol (4ac).**<sup>17</sup> Pale yellow oil (16.4 mg, 51% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.45–7.43 (m, 2H), 7.34–7.30 (m, 3H), 4.59 (q, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 1H), 2.01–2.00 (m, 1H), 1.87–1.80 (m, 2H), 1.11 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 131.6, 128.3, 128.2, 122.6, 89.9, 84.9, 64.2, 30.9, 9.4.

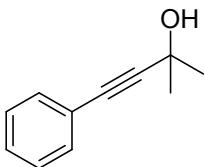


**1-Phenylhex-1-yn-3-ol (4ad).**<sup>18</sup> Pale yellow oil (12.5 mg, 36% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.45–7.43 (m, 2H), 7.33–7.31 (m, 3H), 4.64 (q, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 1.93

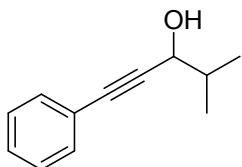
(d,  $J = 6.4$  Hz, 1H), 1.83–1.77 (m, 2H), 1.59–1.52 (m, 2H), 1.02 (t,  $J = 7.3$  Hz, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  131.6, 128.3, 128.2, 122.6, 90.2, 84.2, 62.7, 40.0, 18.4, 13.7.



**1-Phenylhept-1-yn-3-ol (4ae).**<sup>19</sup> Pale yellow oil (11.6 mg, 31% yield).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.45–7.43 (m, 2H), 7.33–7.31 (m, 3H), 4.63 (q,  $J = 6.4$  Hz, 1H), 1.93–1.91 (m, 1H), 1.85–1.79 (m, 2H), 1.56–1.48 (m, 2H), 1.45–1.38 (m, 2H), 0.97 (t,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  131.6, 128.3, 128.2, 122.7, 90.2, 84.8, 63.0, 37.6, 27.3, 22.3, 13.9.



**2-Methyl-4-phenylbut-3-yn-2-ol (4af).**<sup>20</sup> Pale yellow oil (9.6 mg, 30% yield).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.44–7.41 (m, 2H), 7.32–7.29 (m, 3H), 2.13 (s, 1H), 1.63 (s, 6H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  131.6, 128.2, 122.7, 93.7, 82.1, 65.6, 31.4.

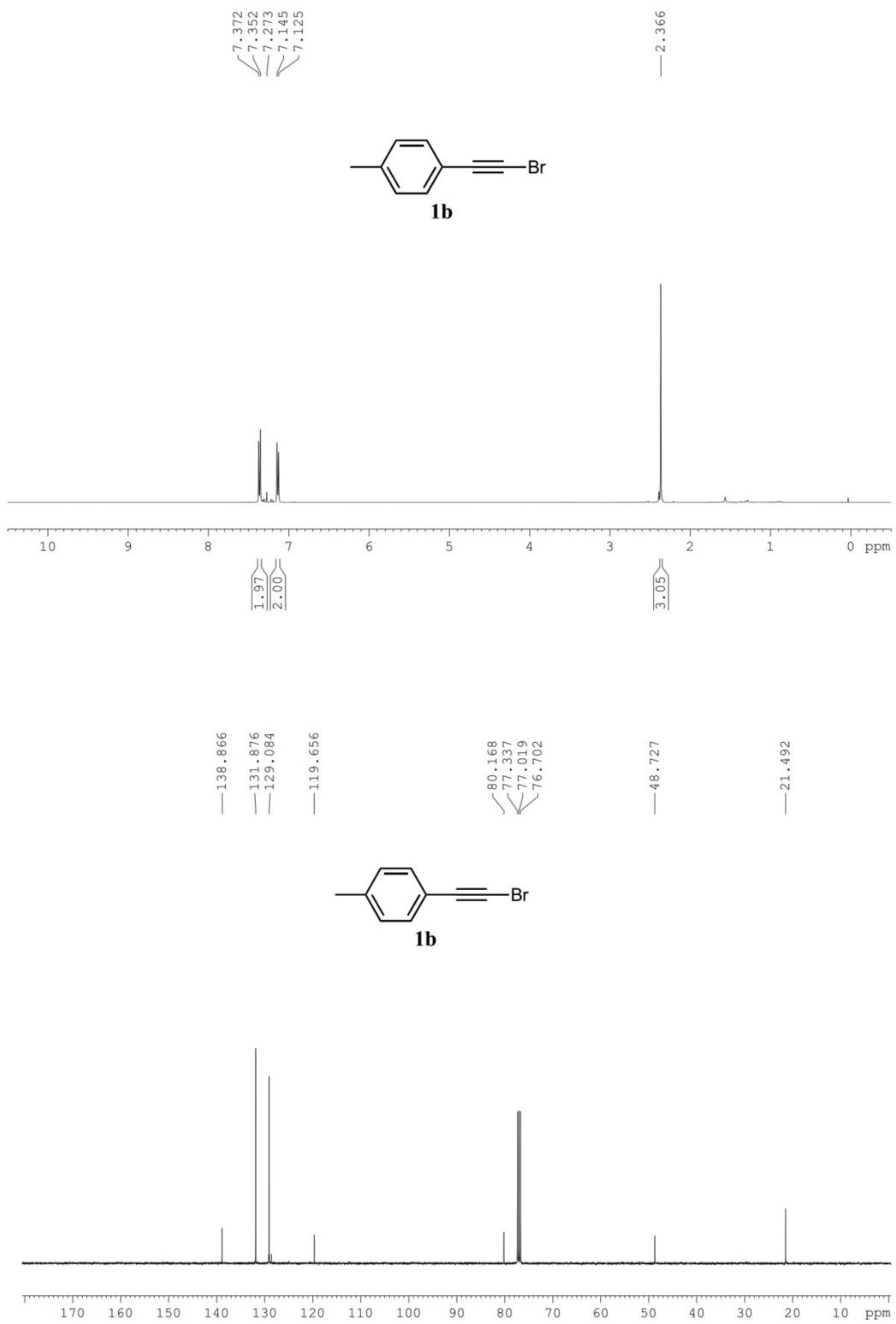


**4-Methyl-1-phenylpent-1-yn-3-ol (4ag).**<sup>21</sup> Pale yellow oil (12.1 mg, 35% yield).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.46–7.43 (m, 2H), 7.32–7.30 (m, 3H), 4.42 (t,  $J = 5.6$  Hz, 1H), 1.99–1.96 (m, 1H), 1.31 (s, 1H), 1.10 (d,  $J = 6.7$  Hz, 3H), 1.08 (d,  $J = 6.8$  Hz, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  131.6, 128.3, 128.2, 122.7, 88.9, 85.5, 68.4, 34.7, 18.1, 17.5.

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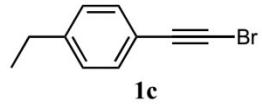
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### **13. $^1\text{H}$ and $^{13}\text{C}$ NMR spectra of bromoalkynes (1b–1n) and all products**

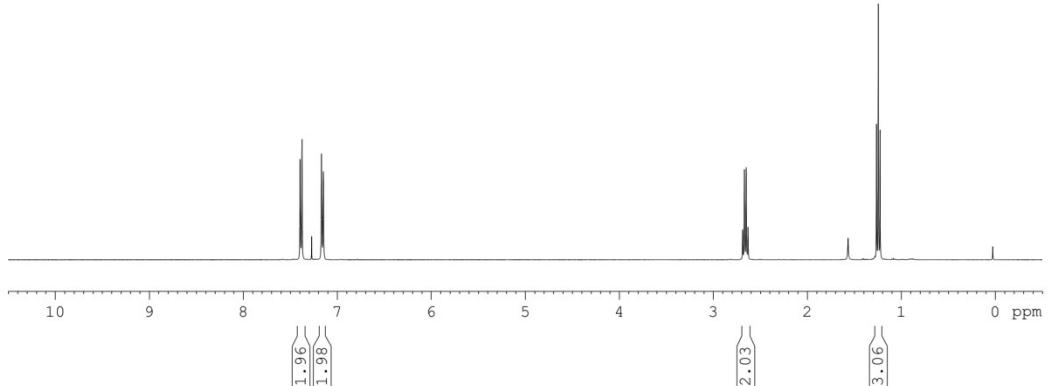


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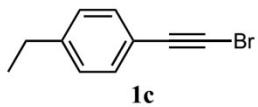


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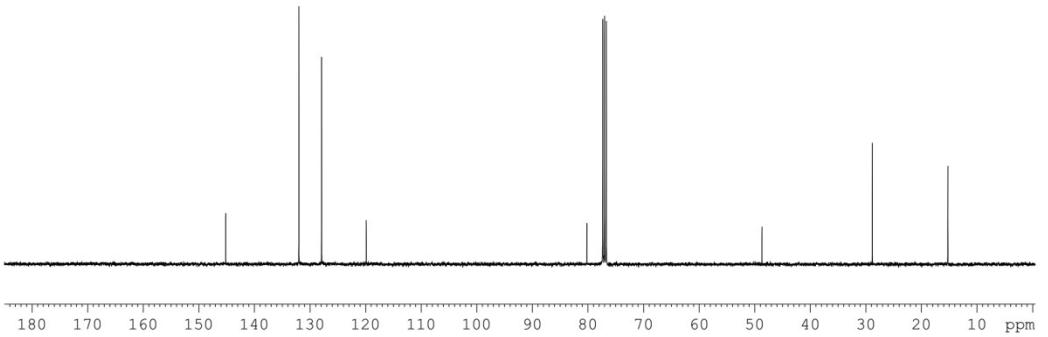
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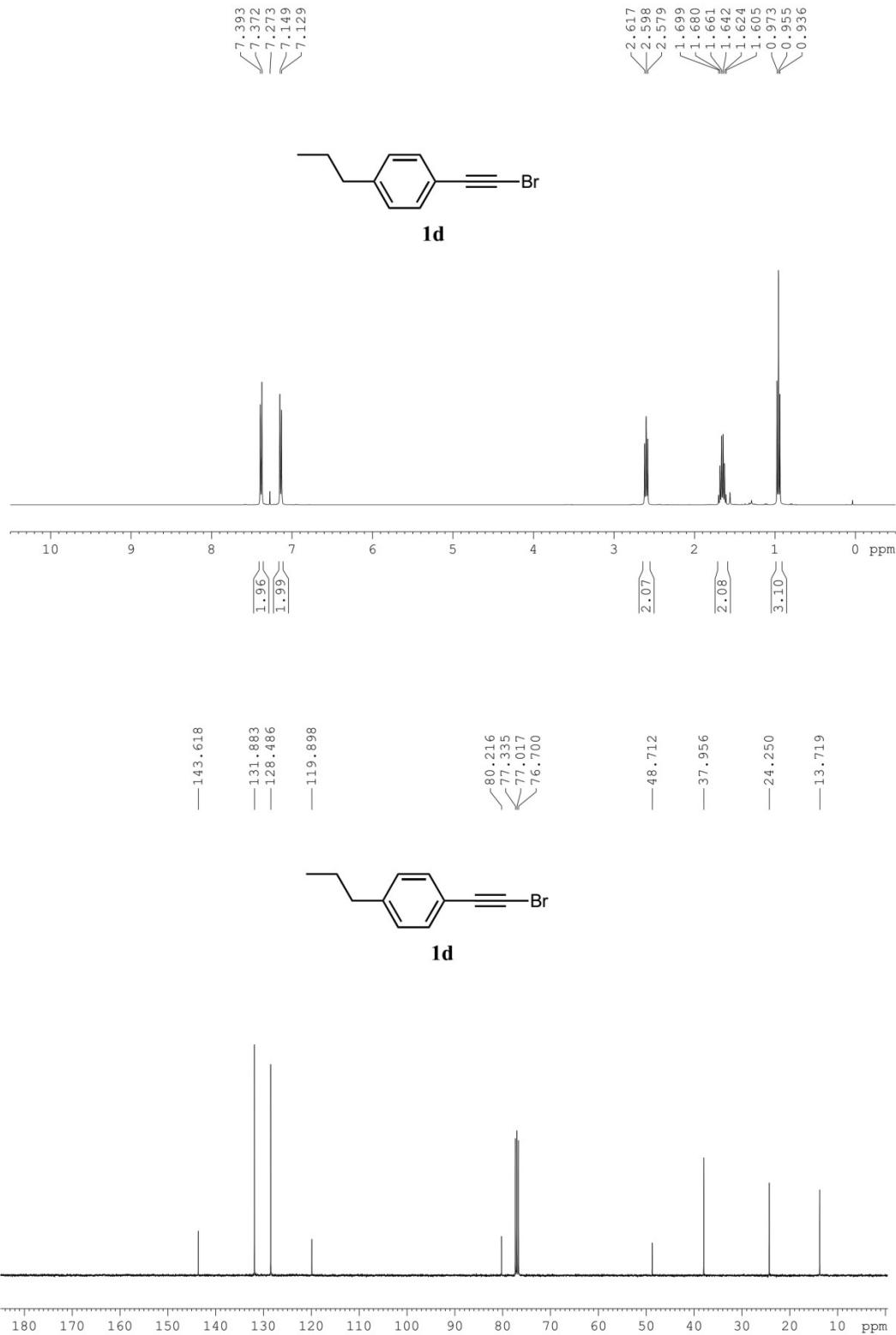
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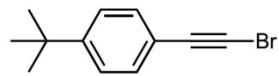
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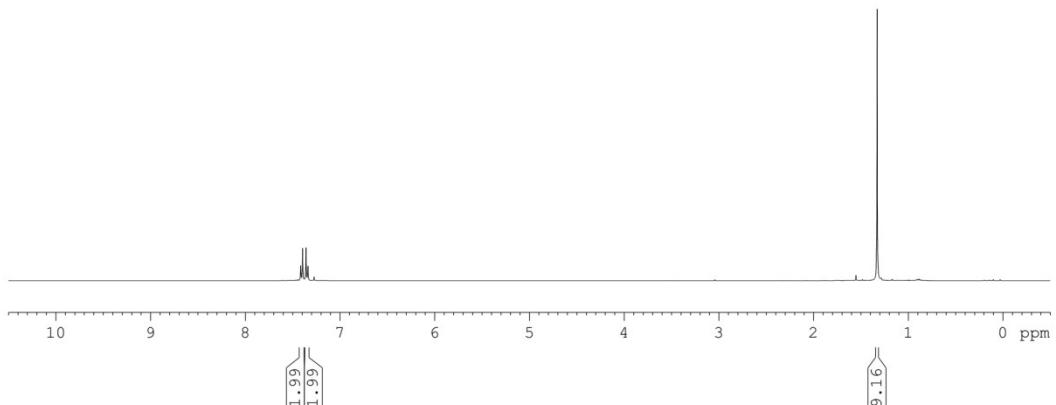
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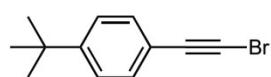


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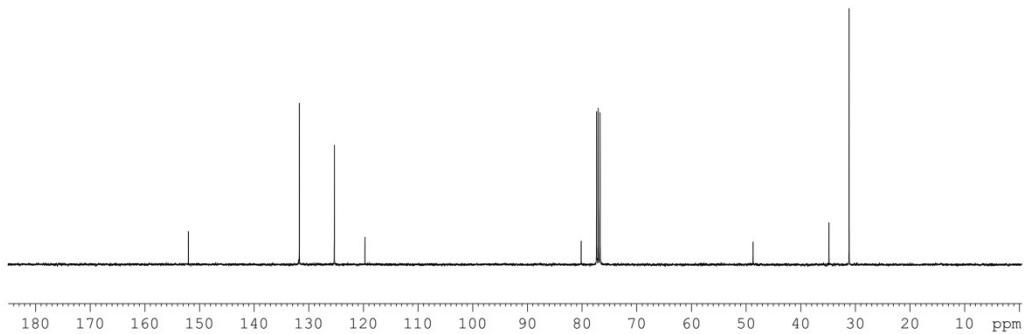
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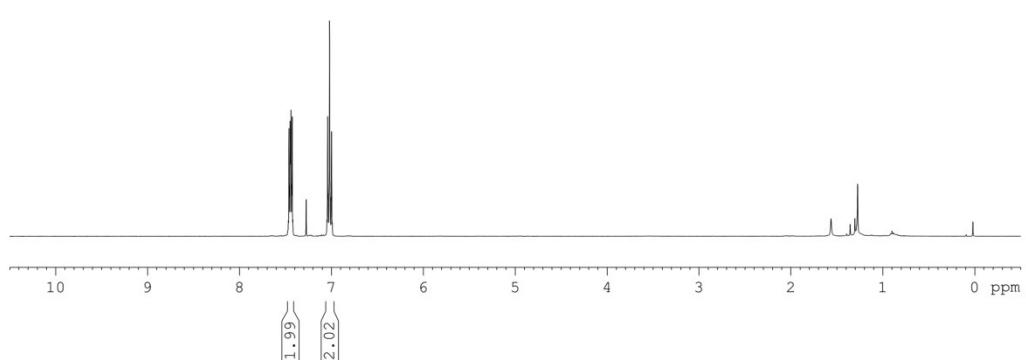
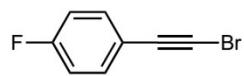
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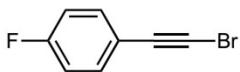




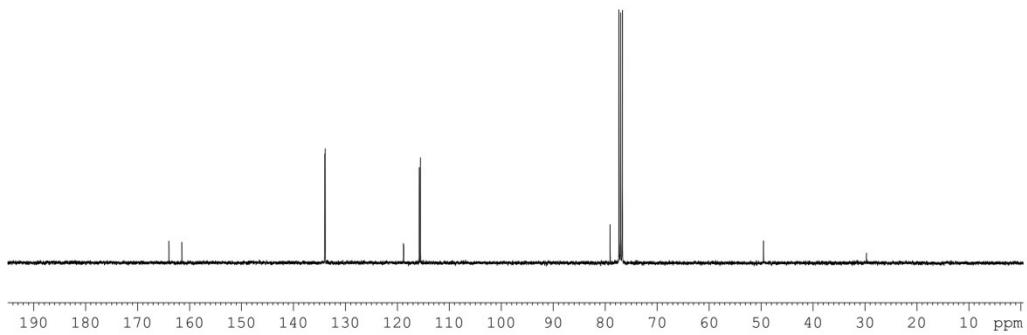
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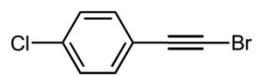
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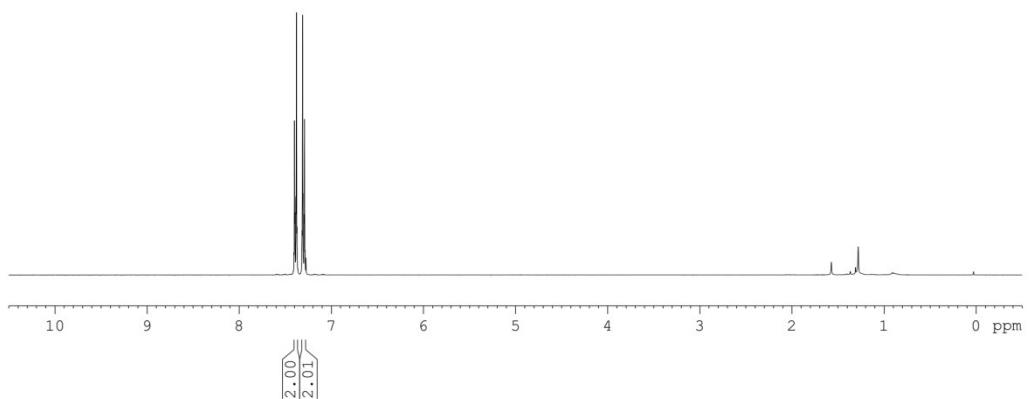
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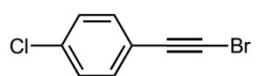
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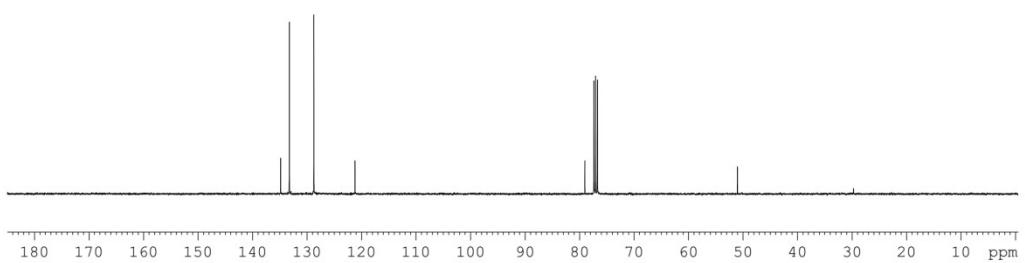
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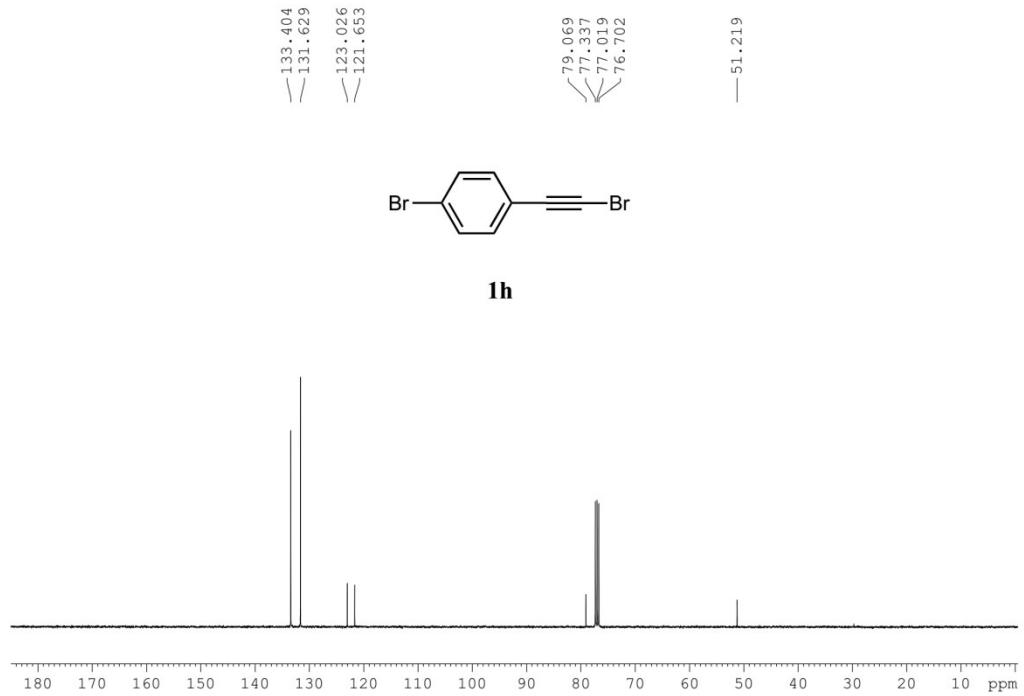
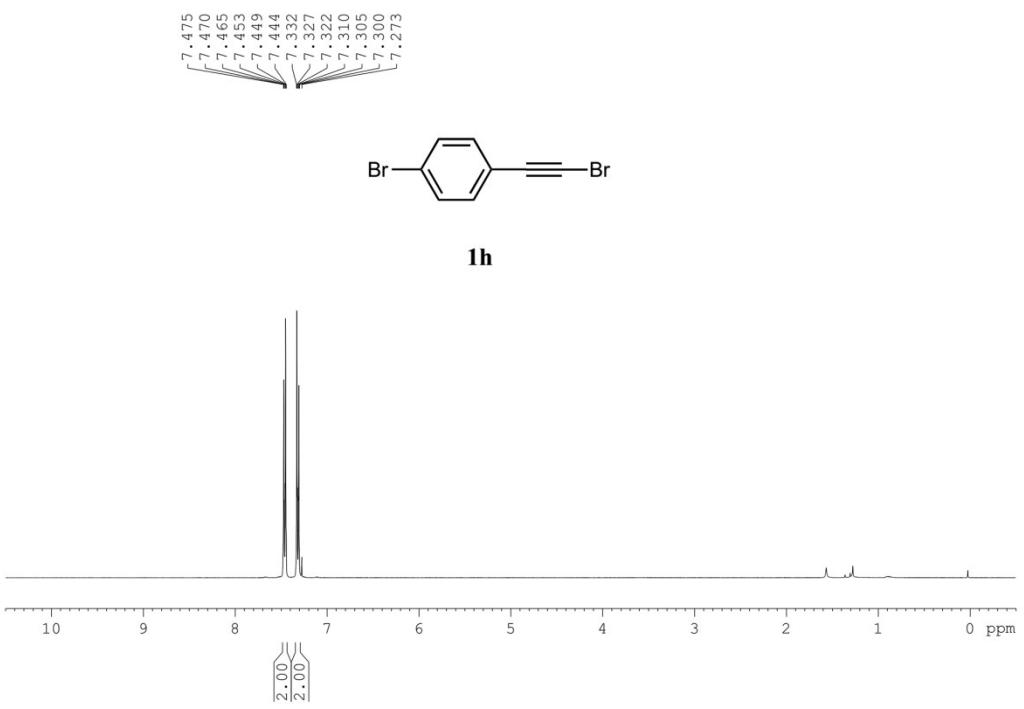
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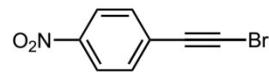
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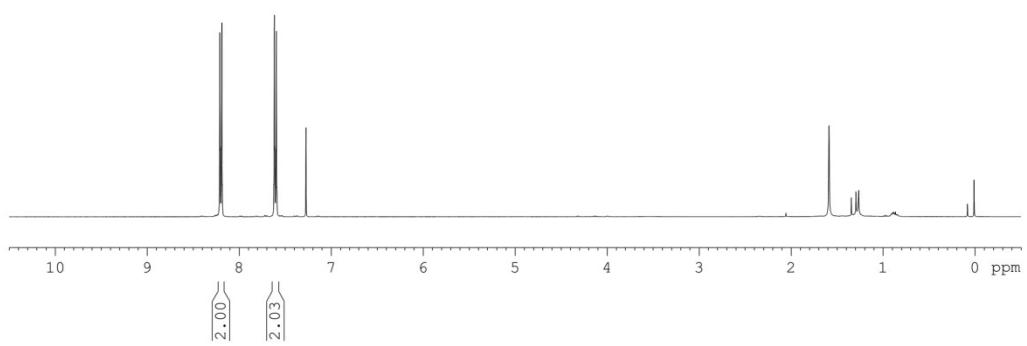
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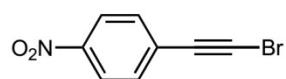
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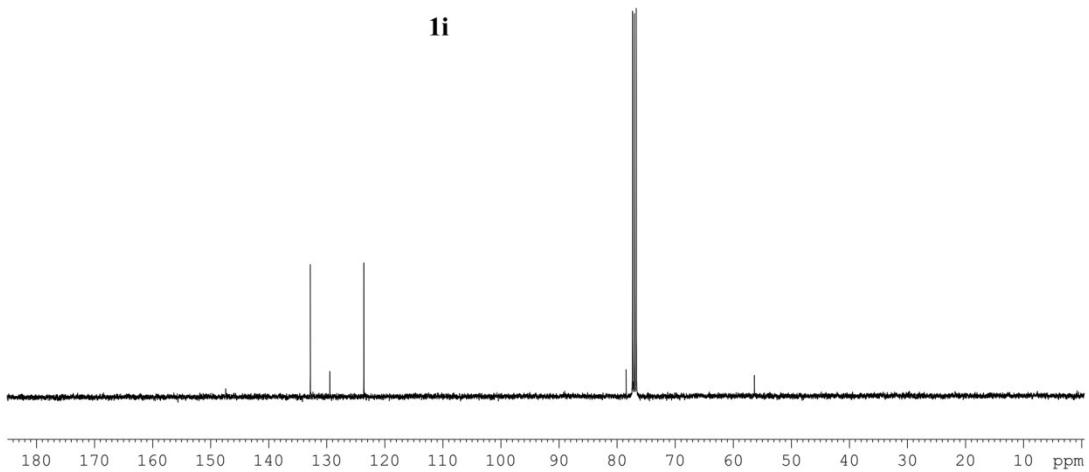
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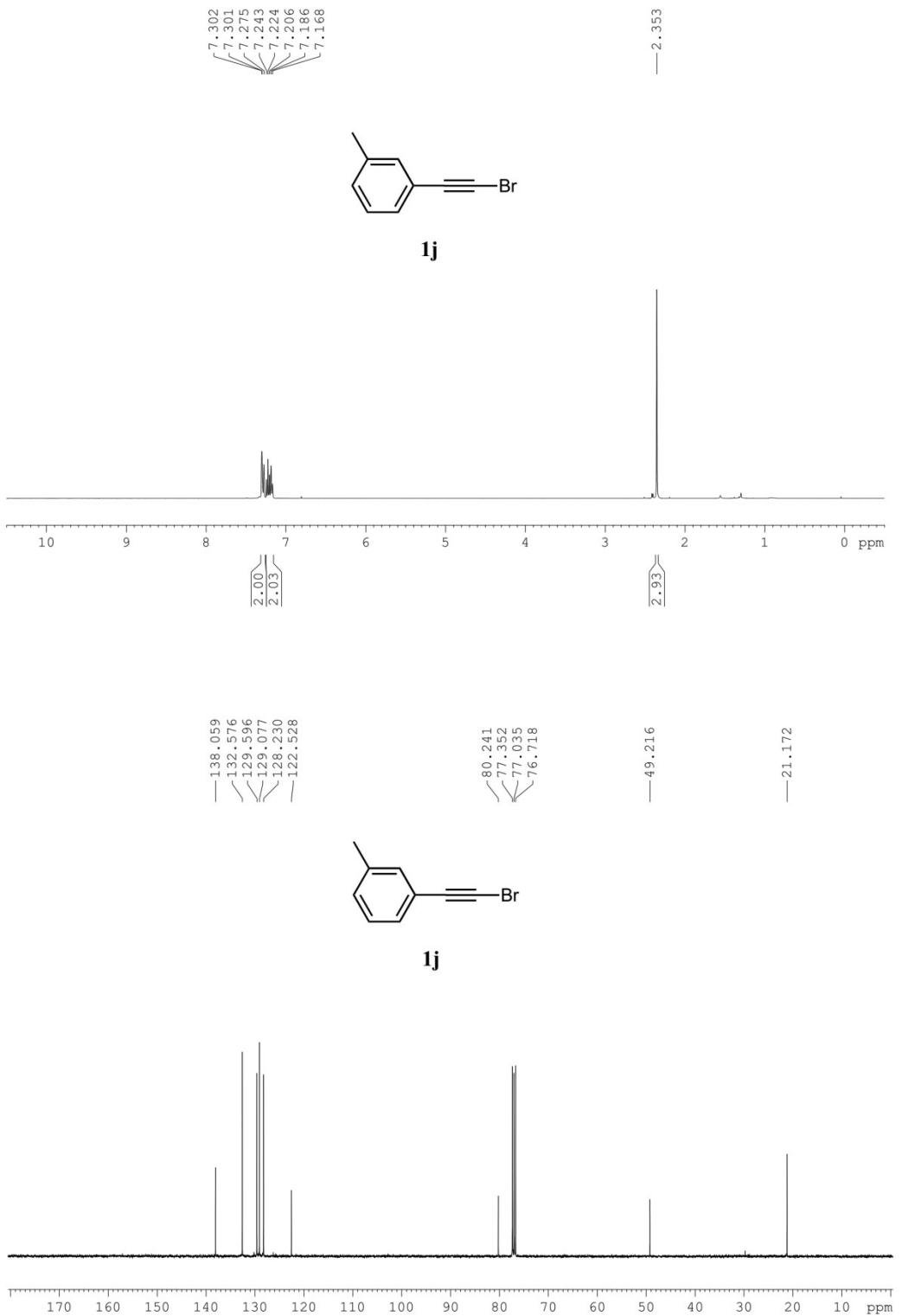
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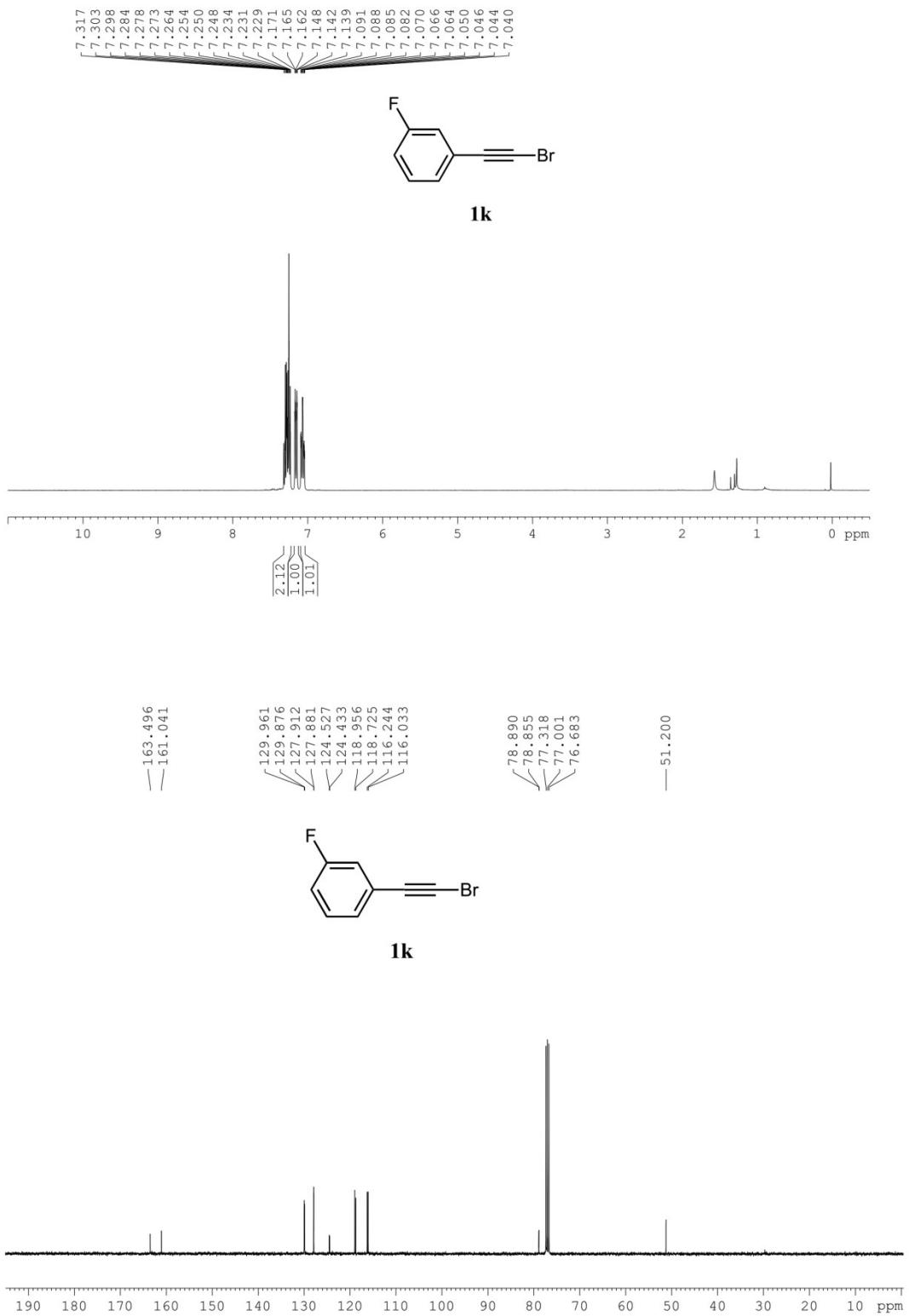
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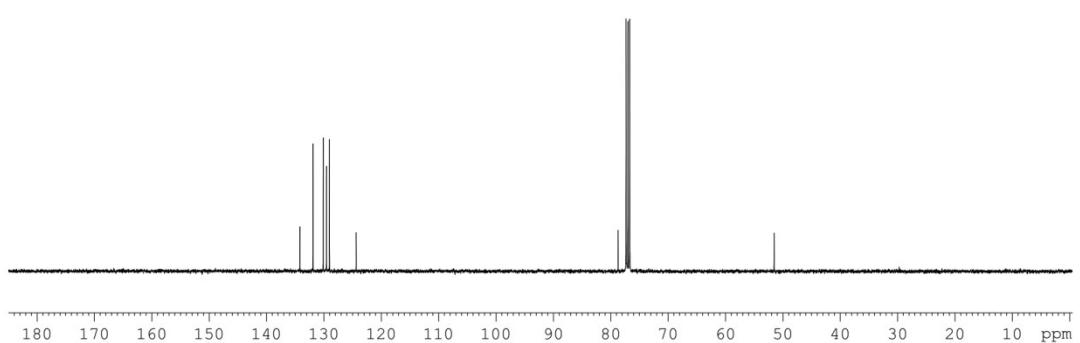
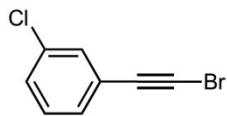
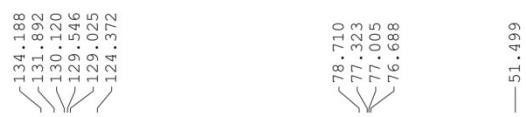
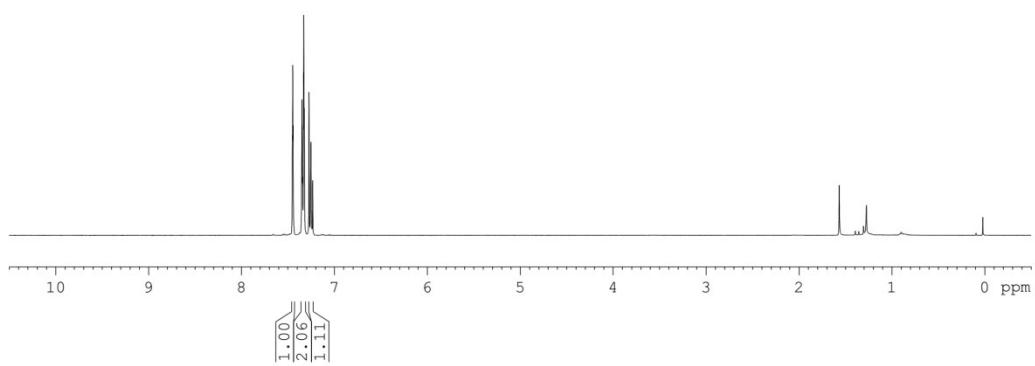
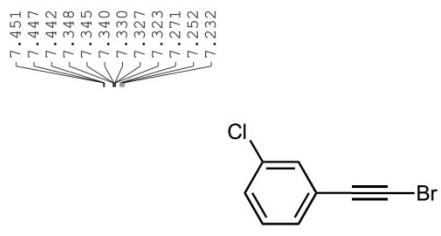


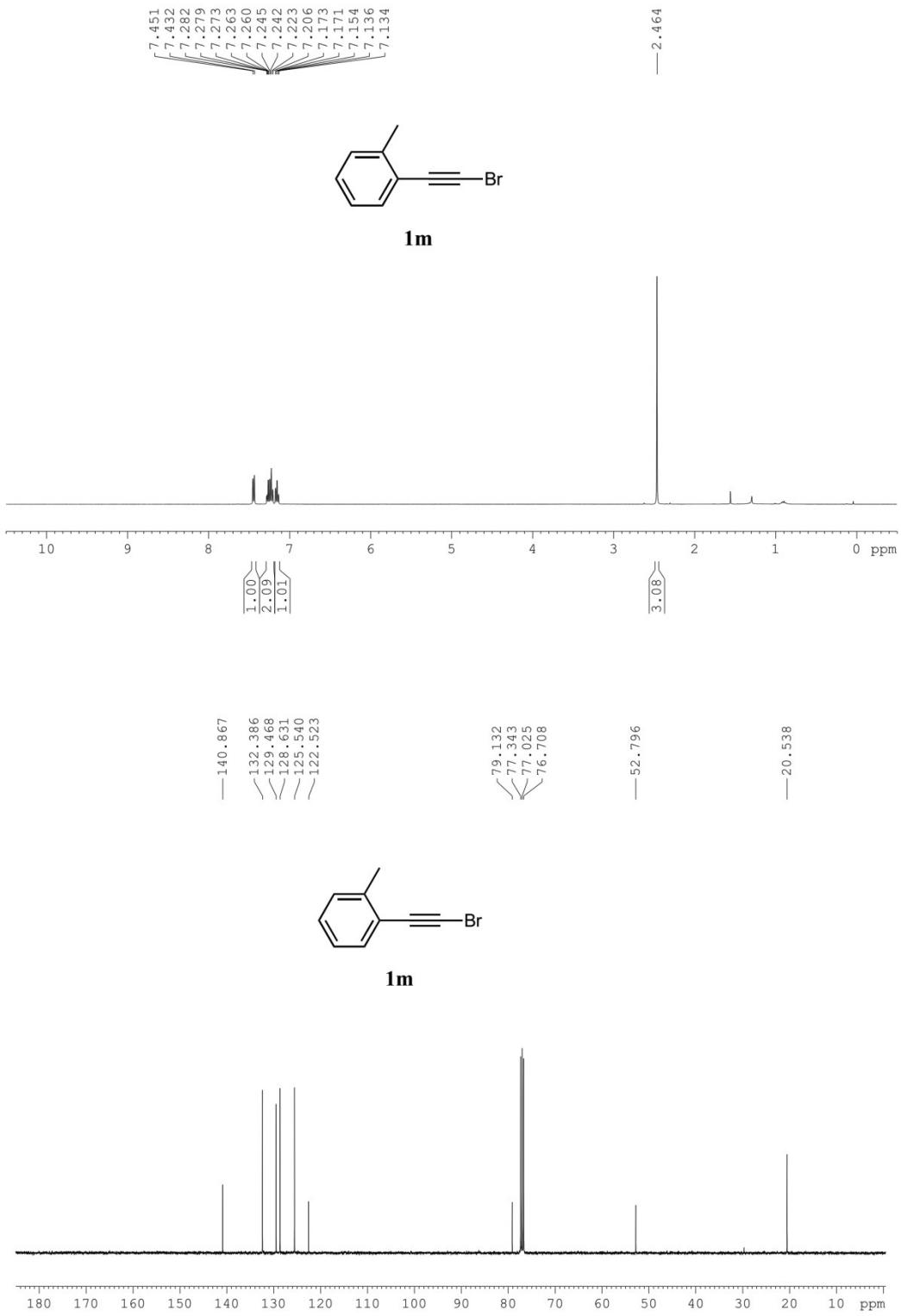
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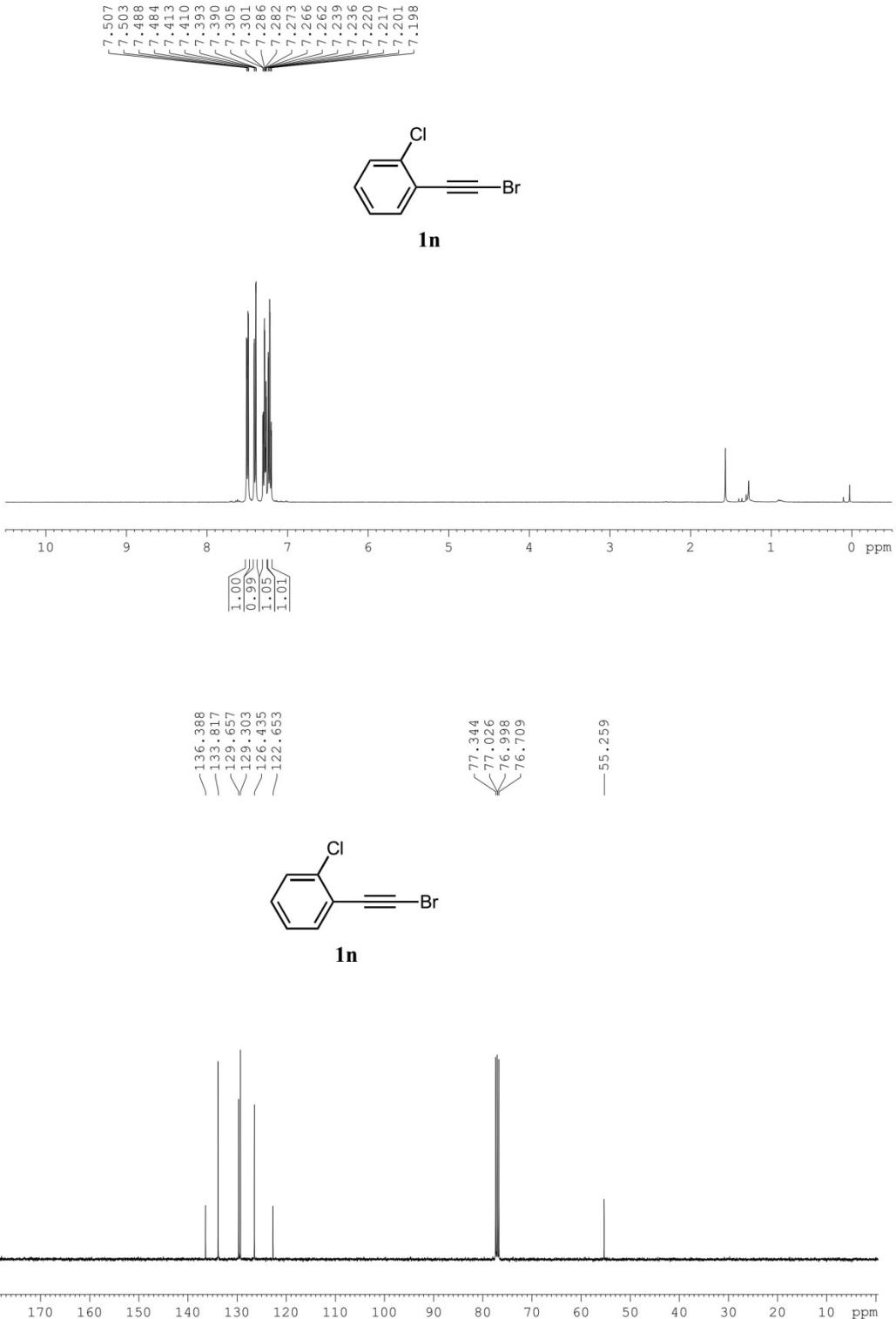


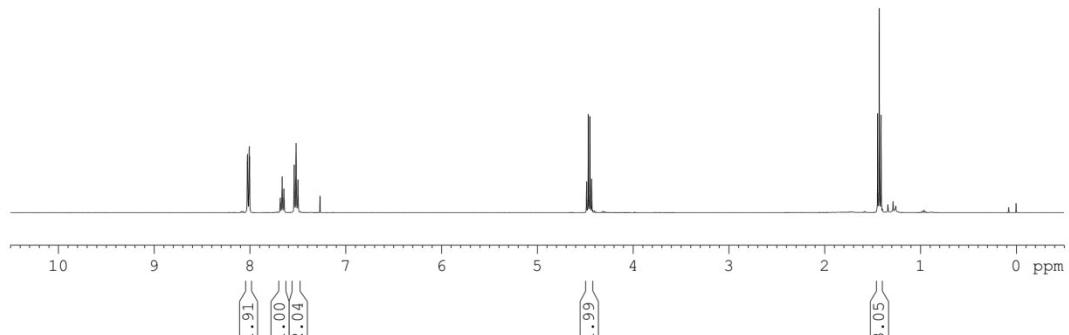
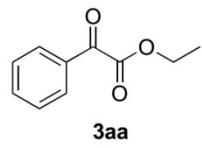
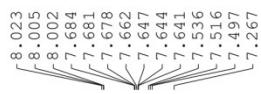












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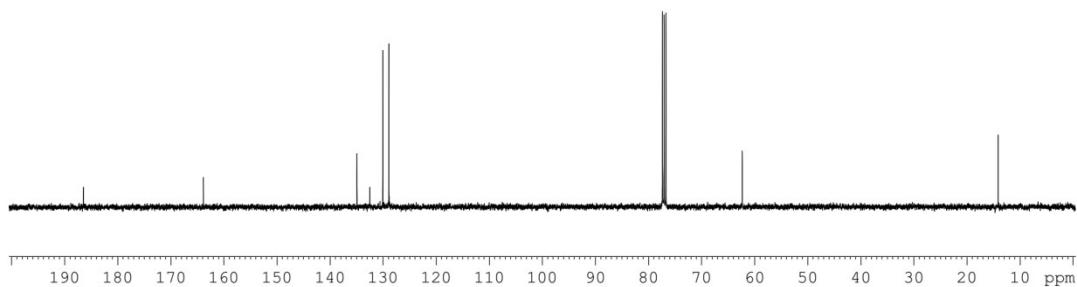
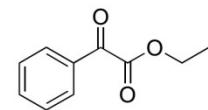
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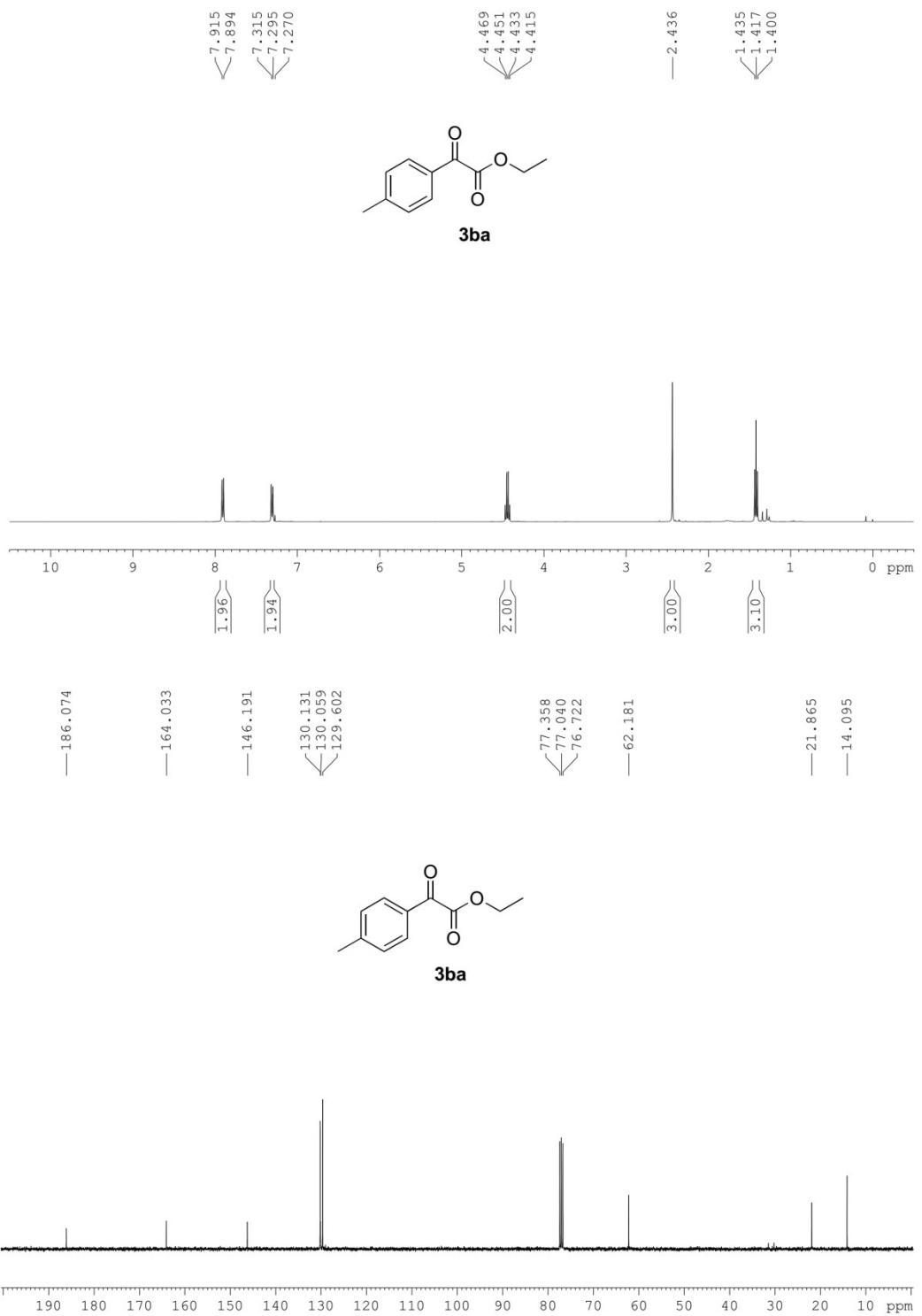
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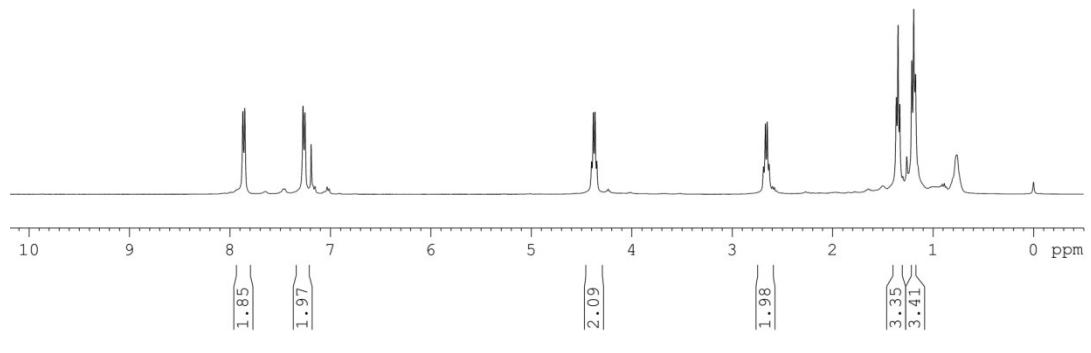
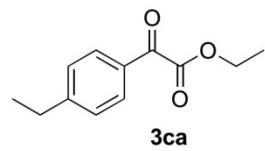
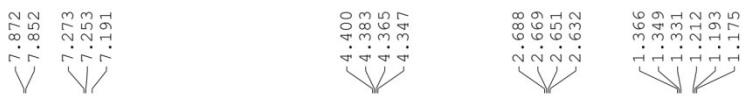
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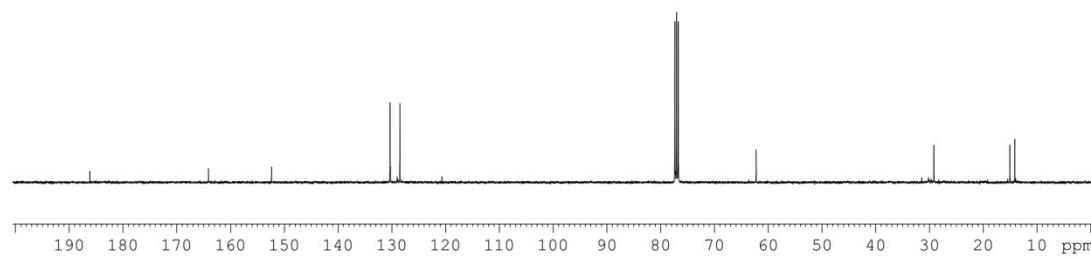
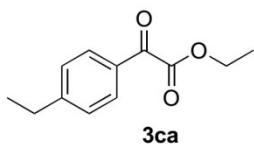
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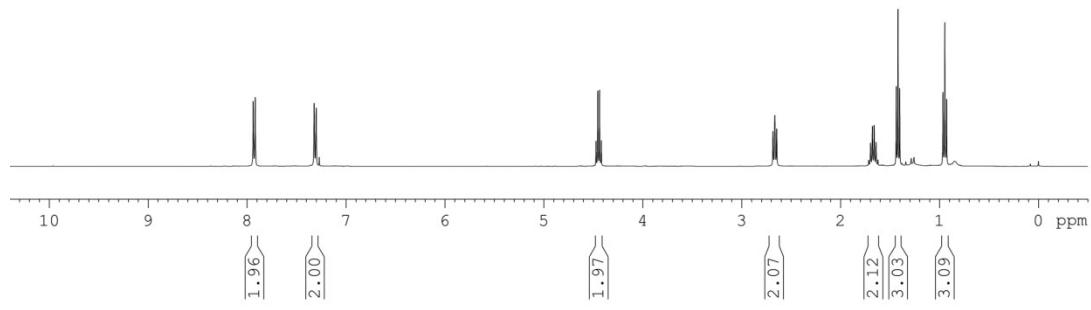
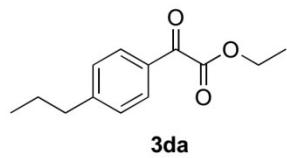
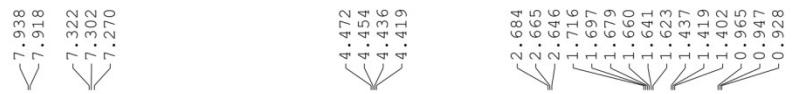
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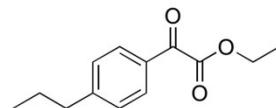
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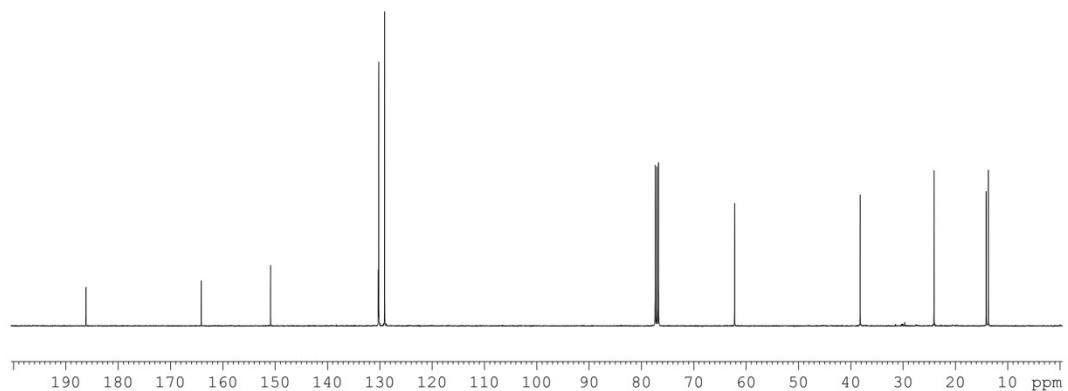
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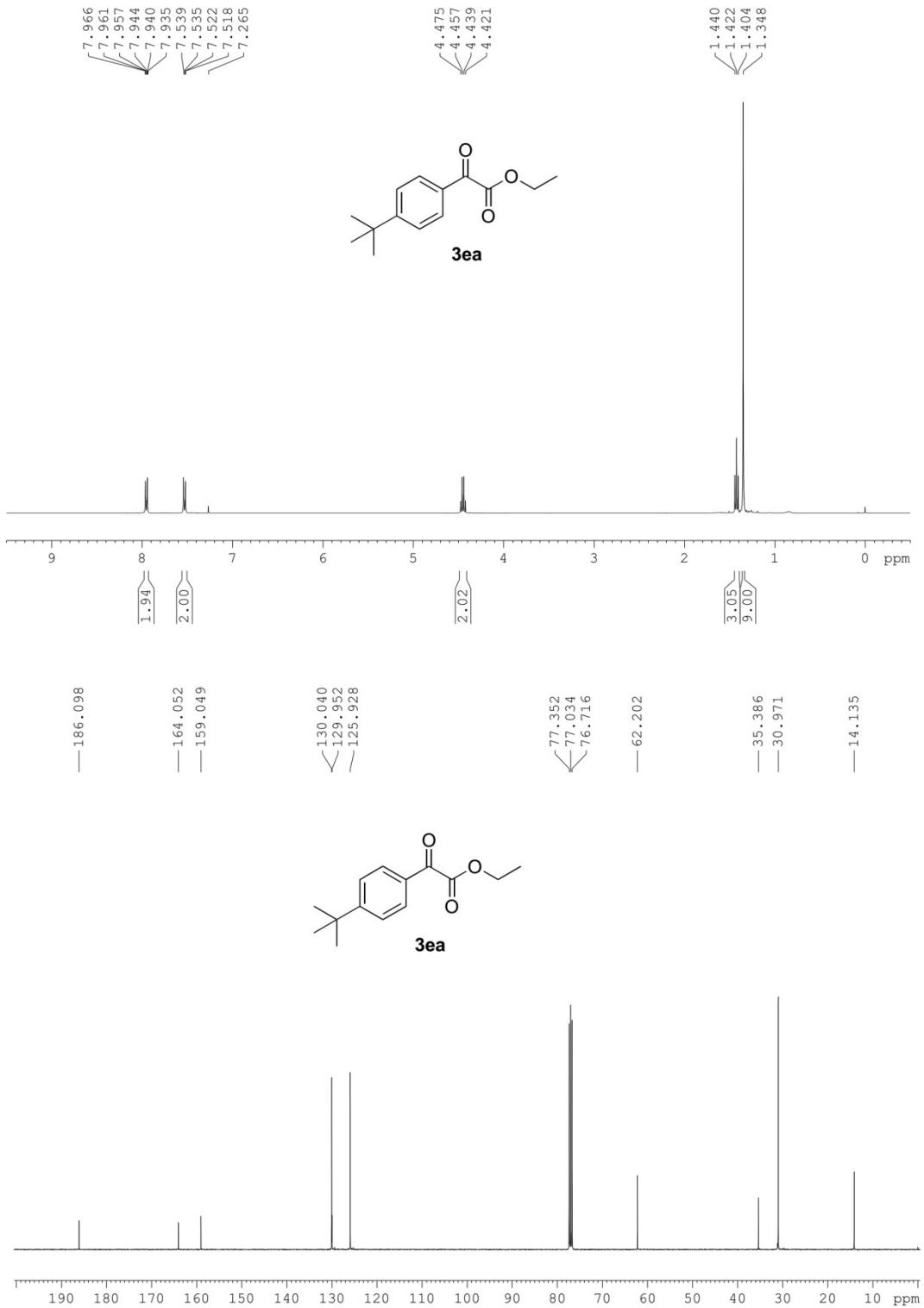
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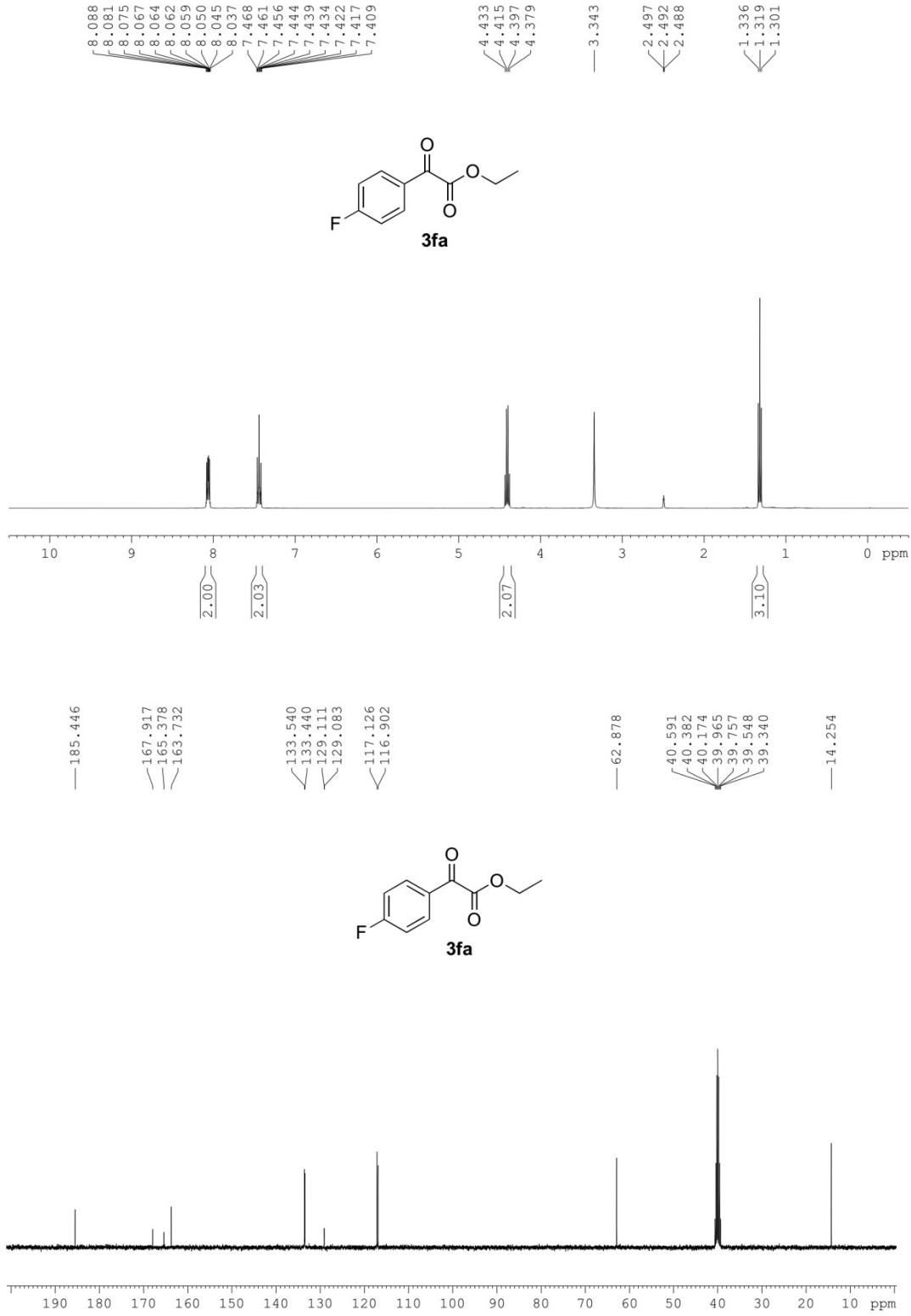
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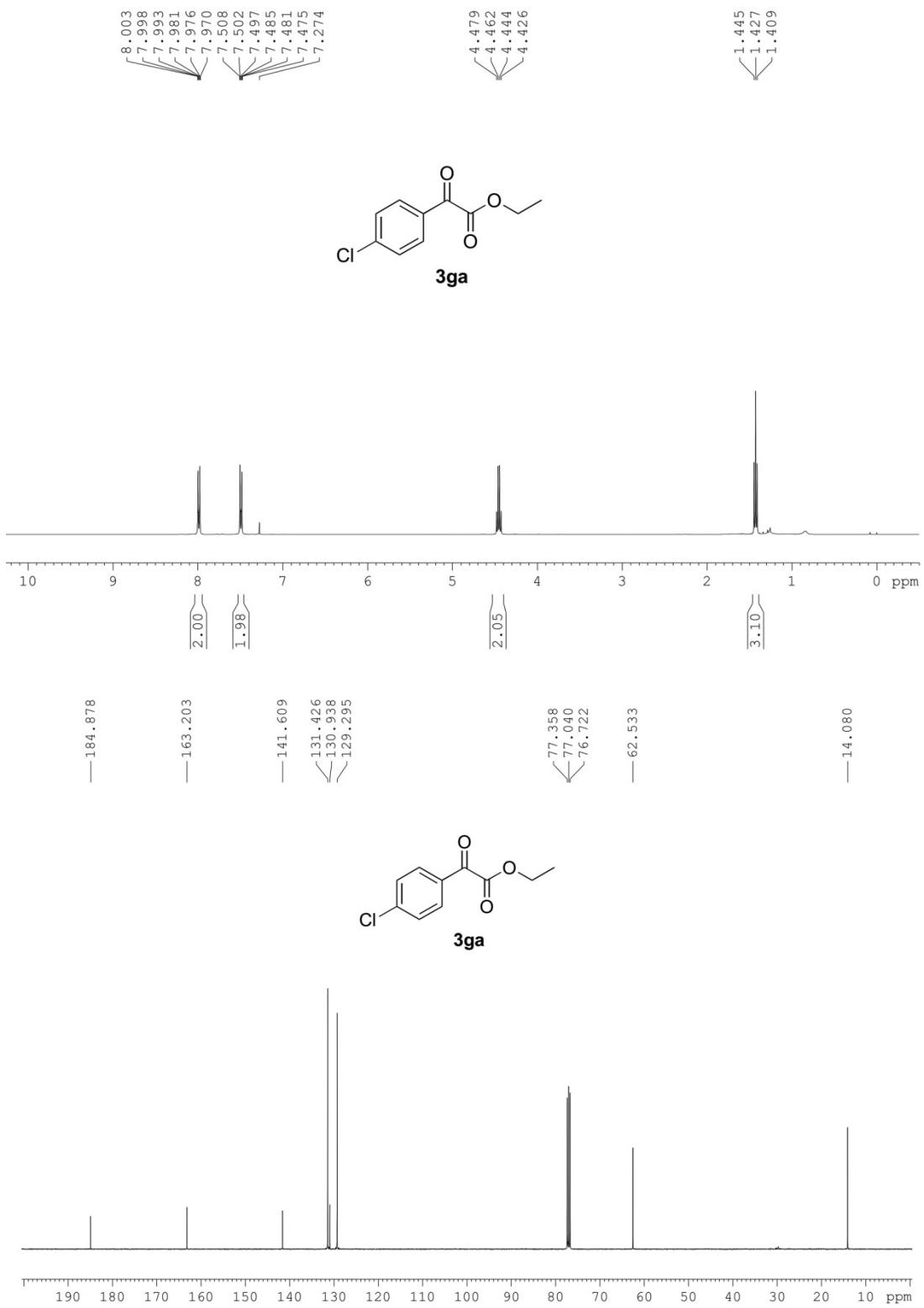


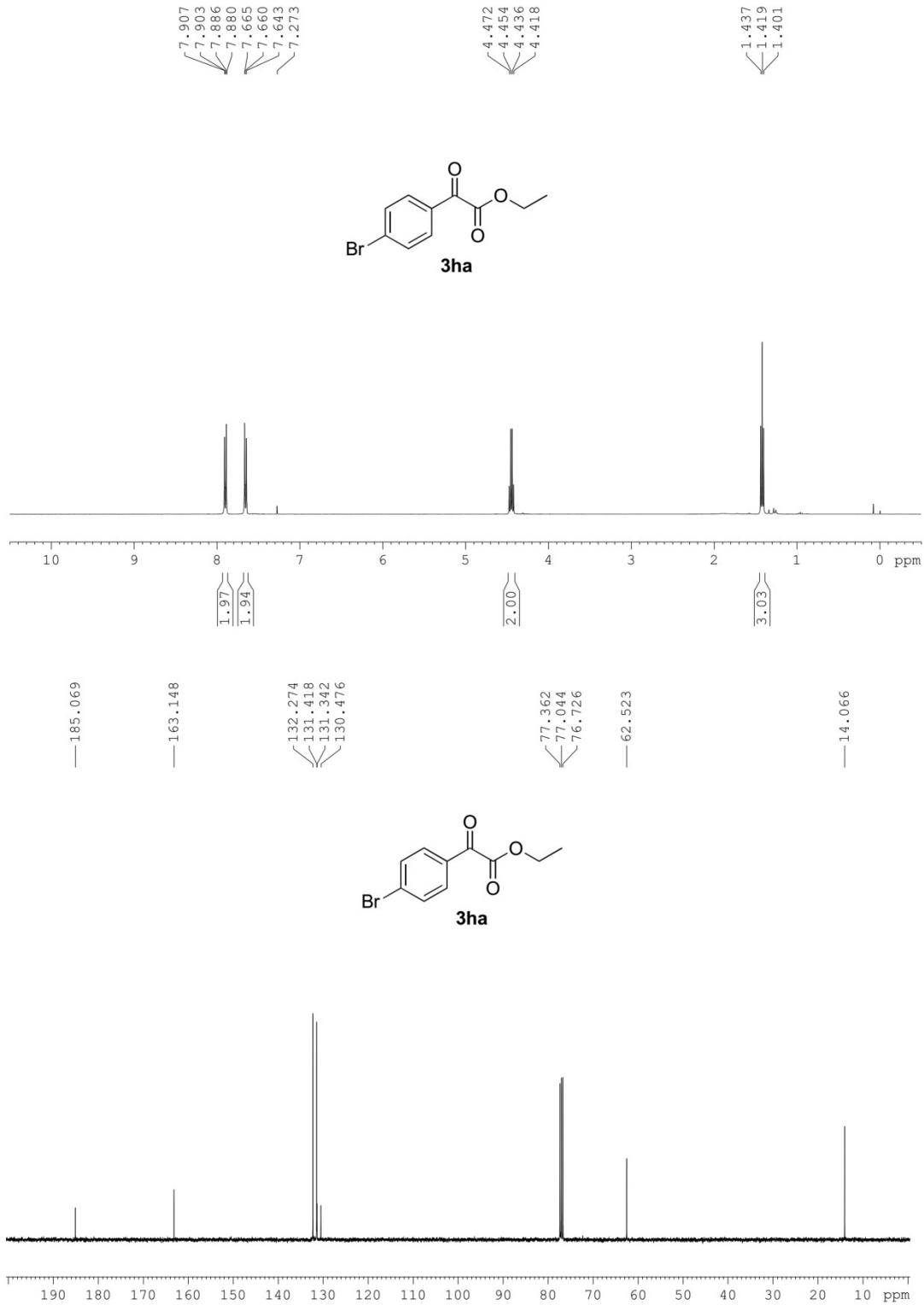
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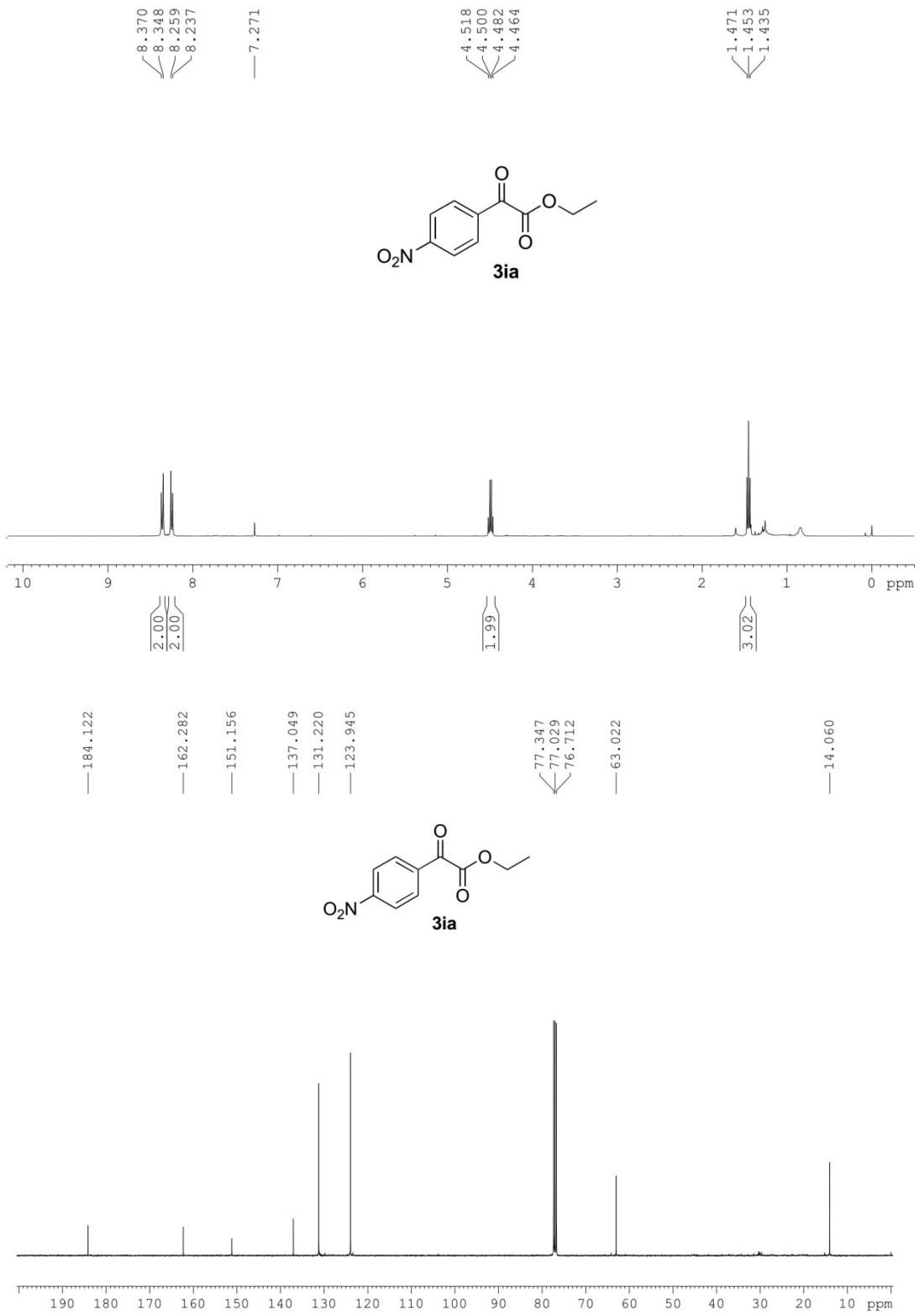


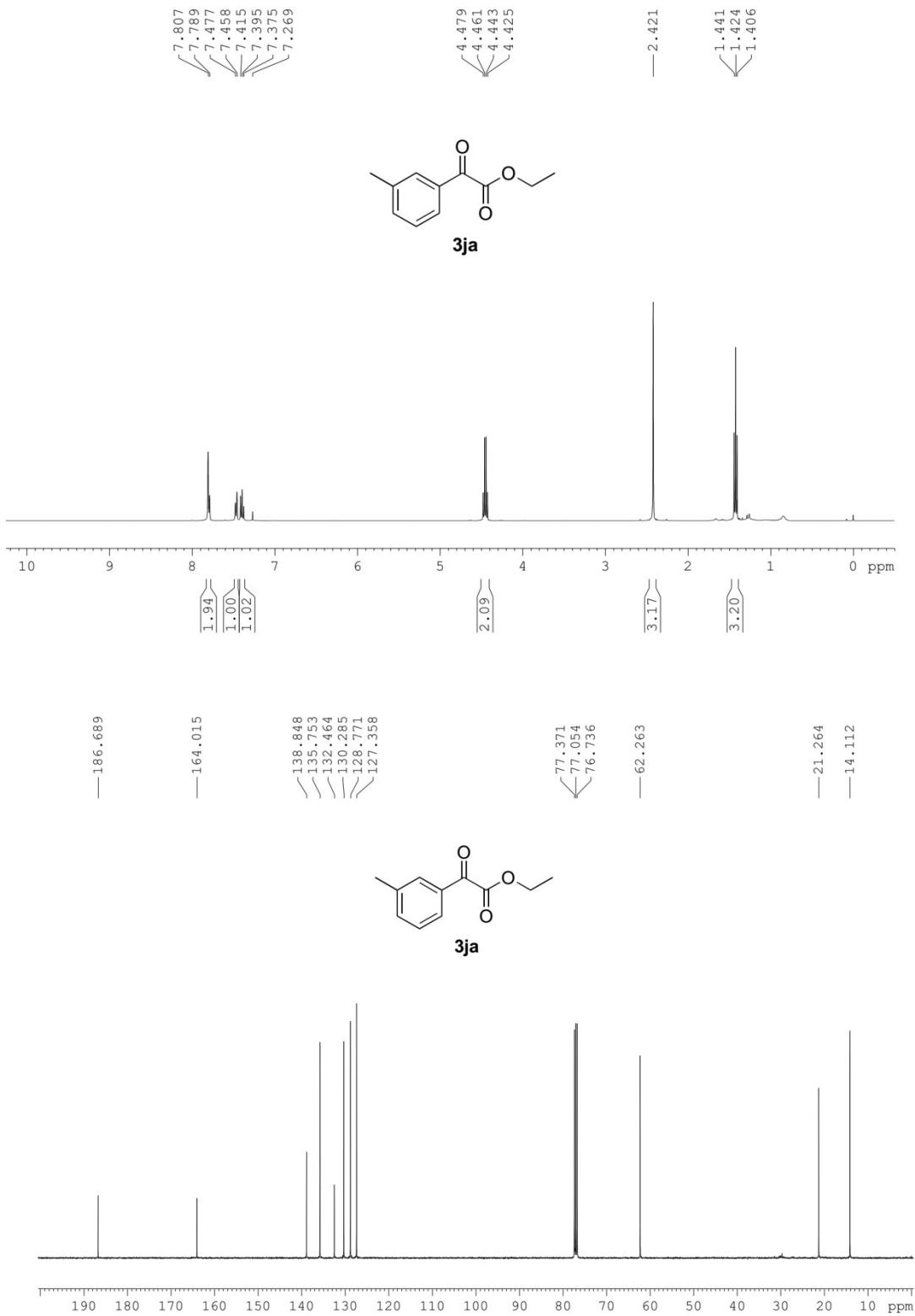


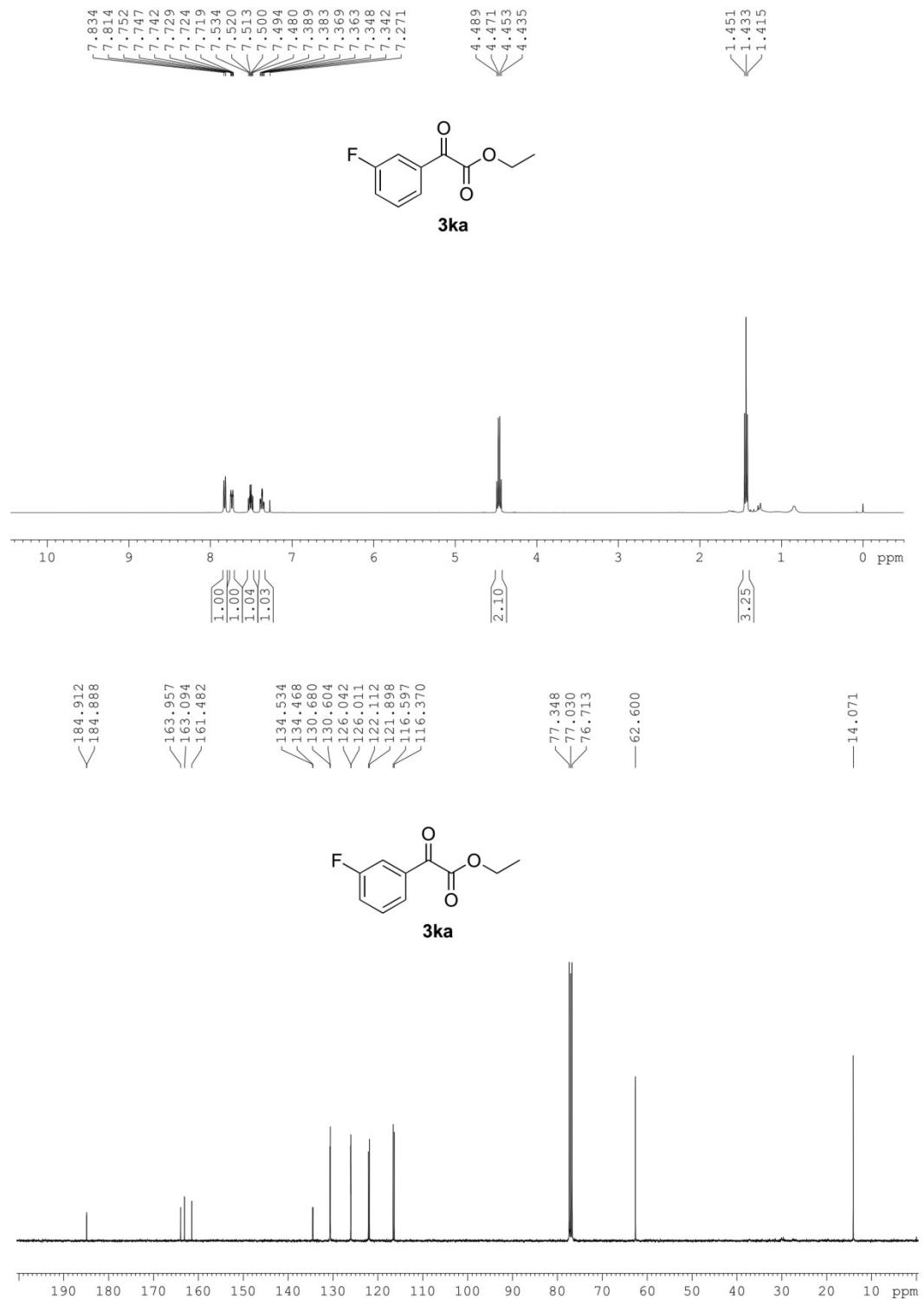


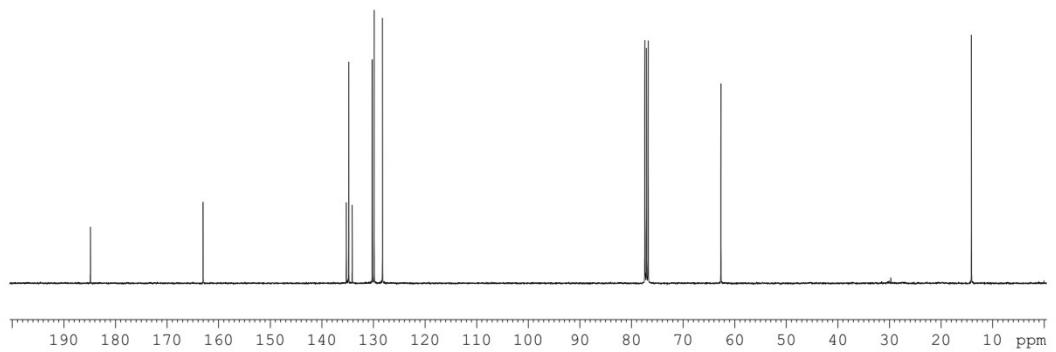
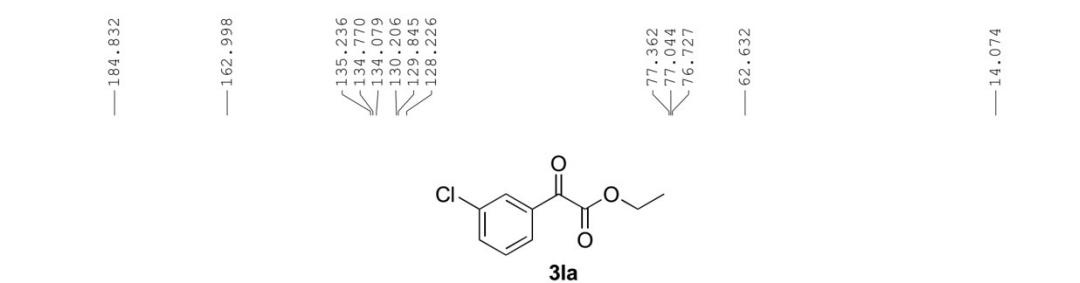
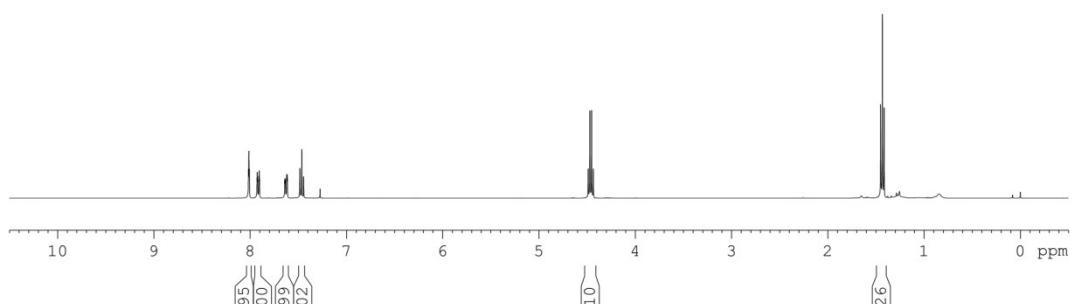
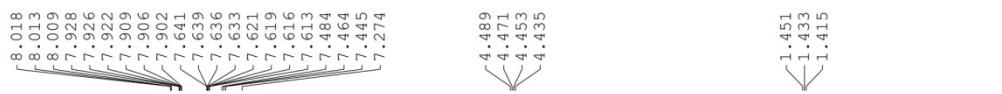




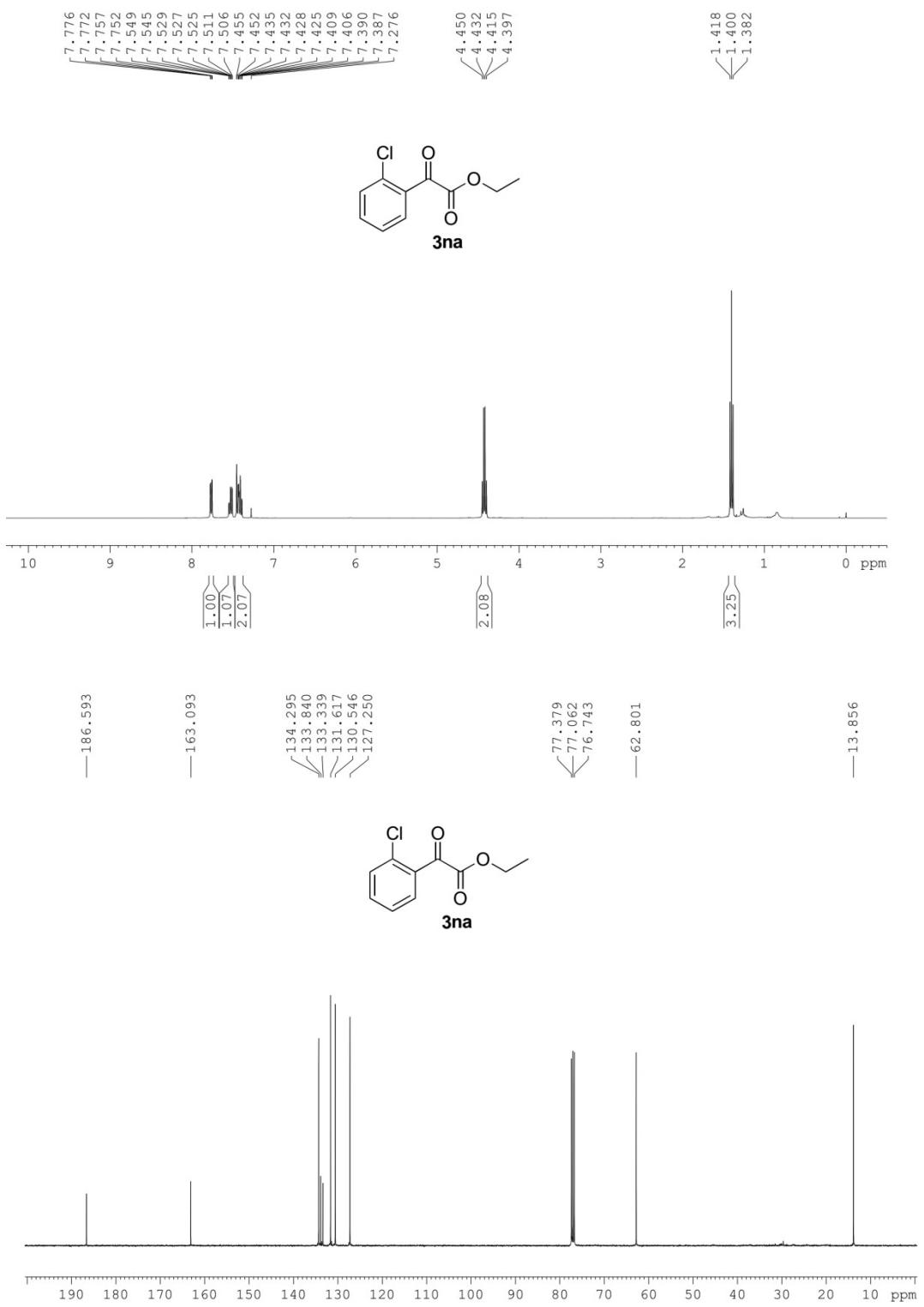


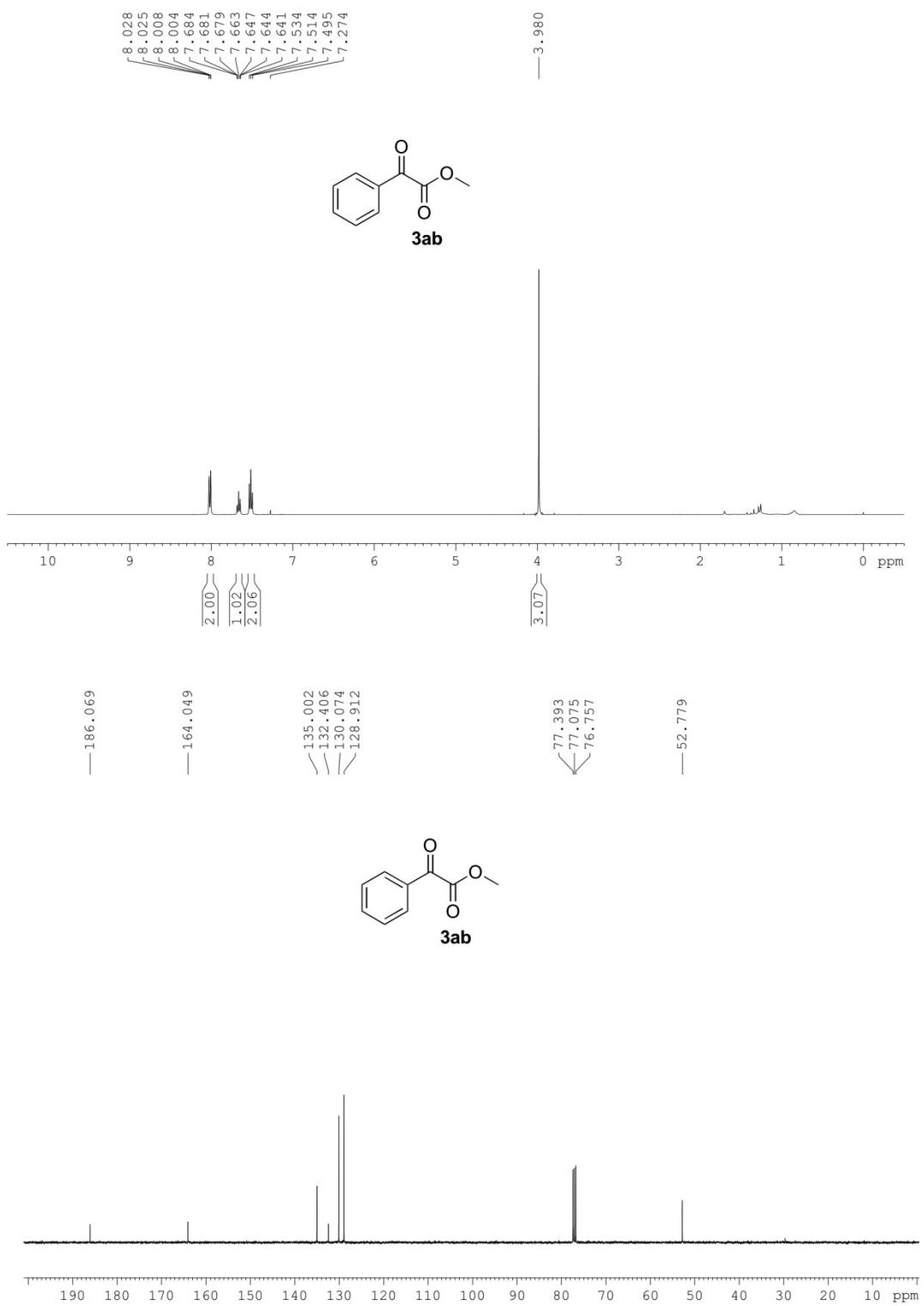


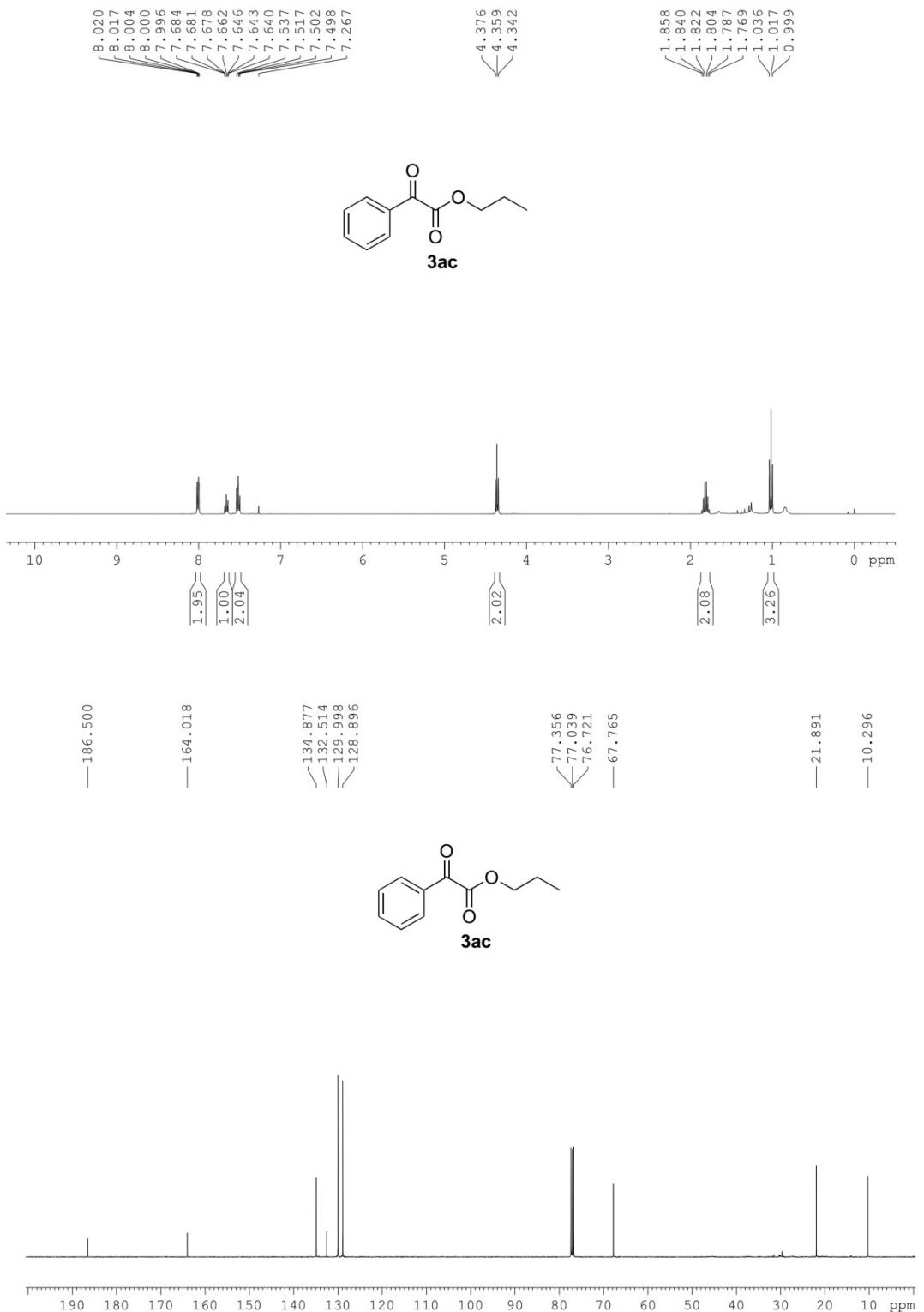


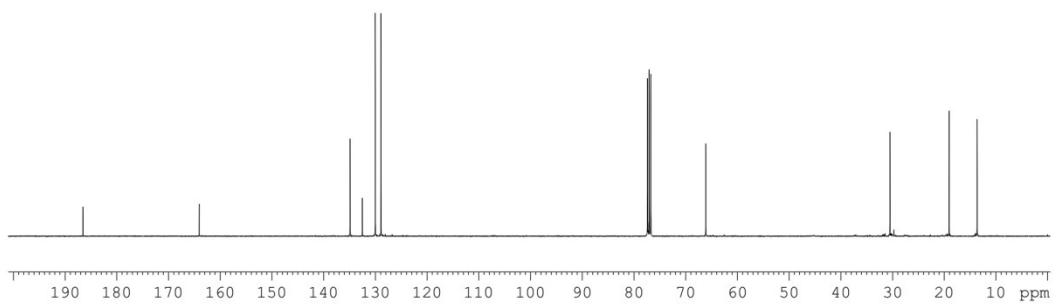
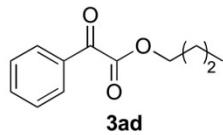
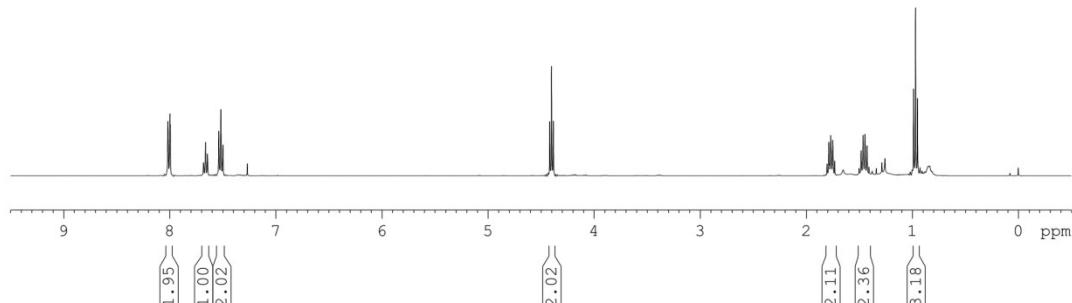
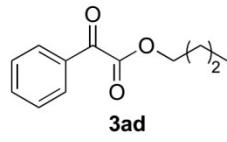
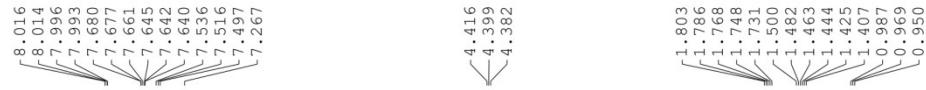


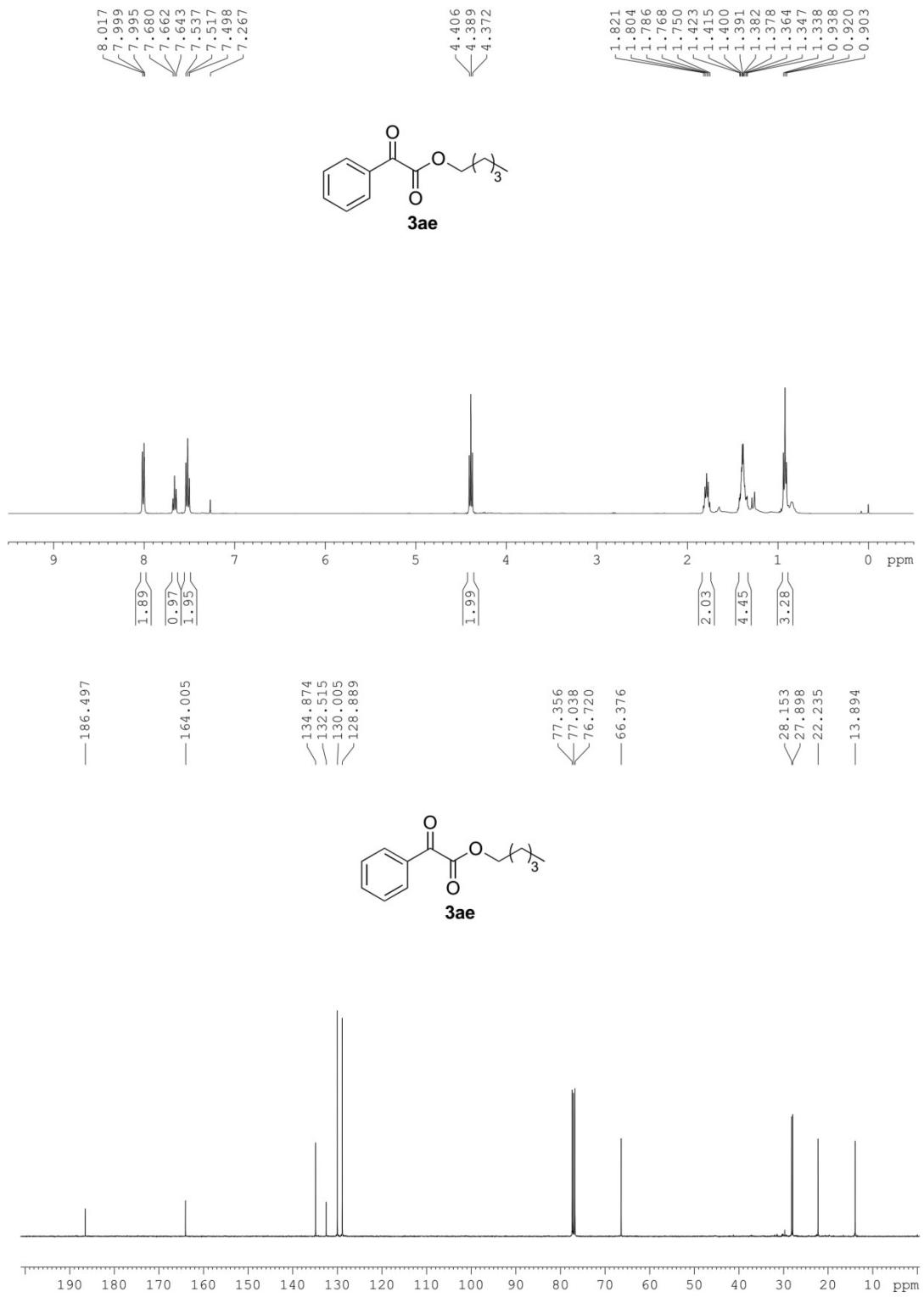


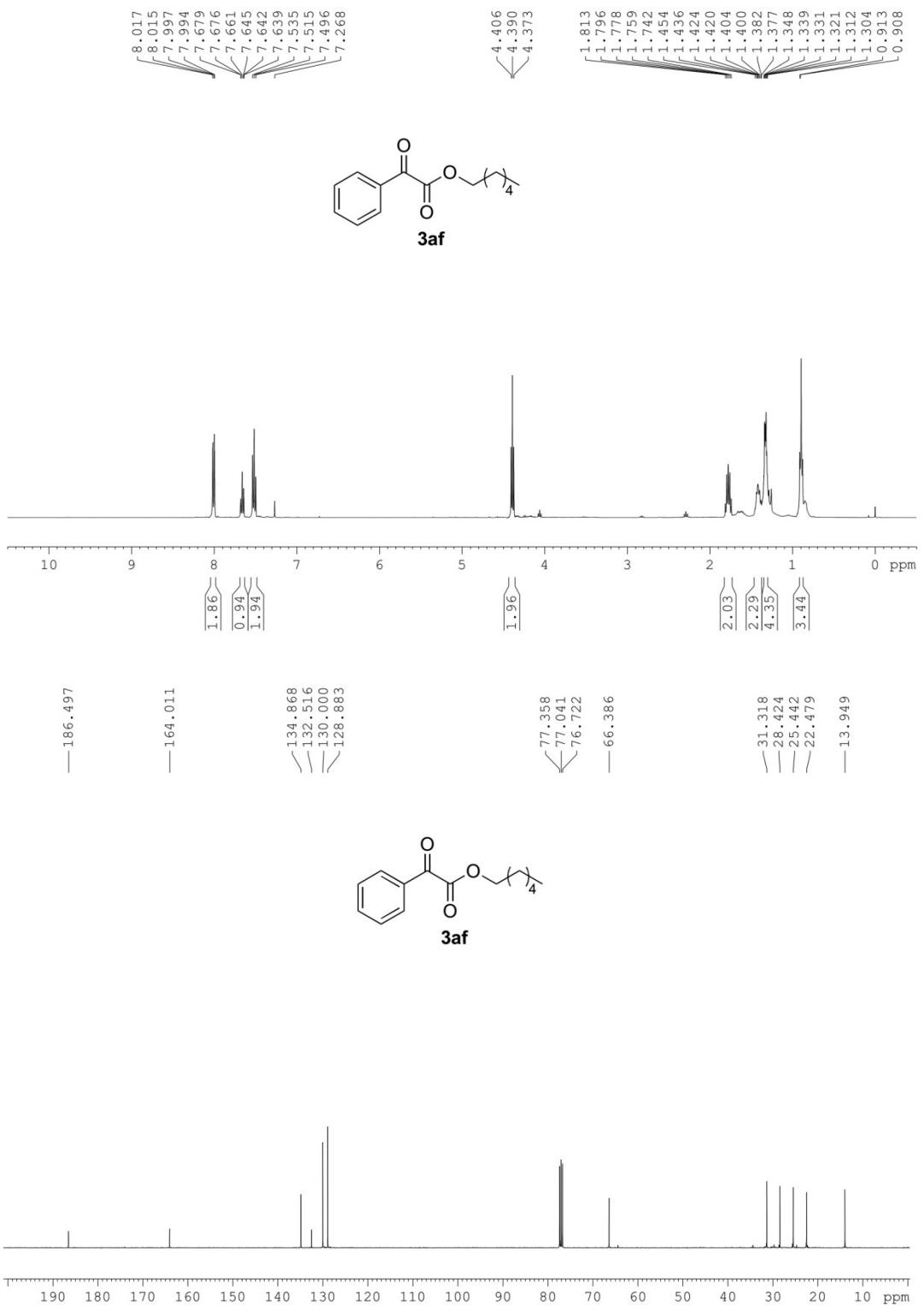


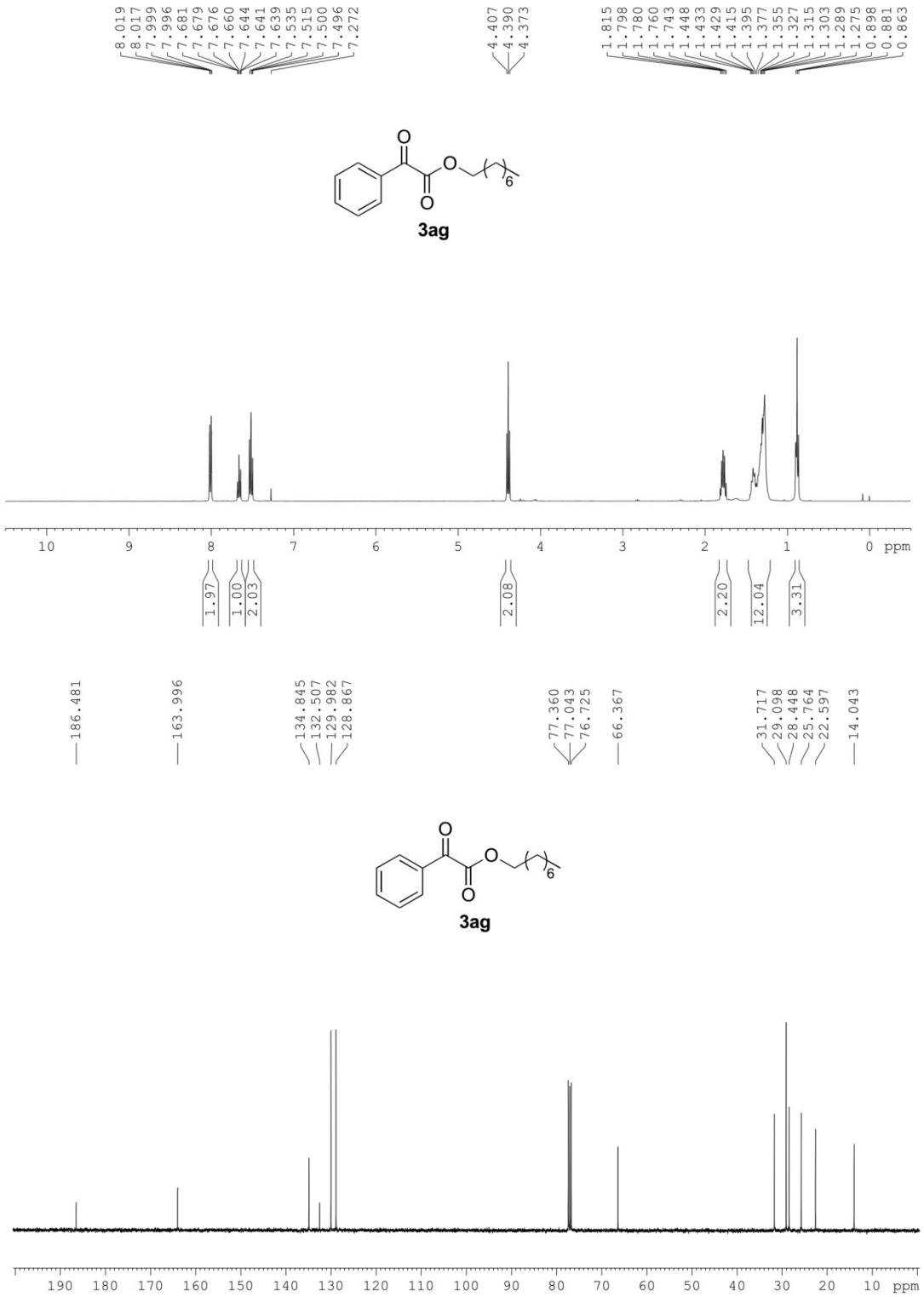


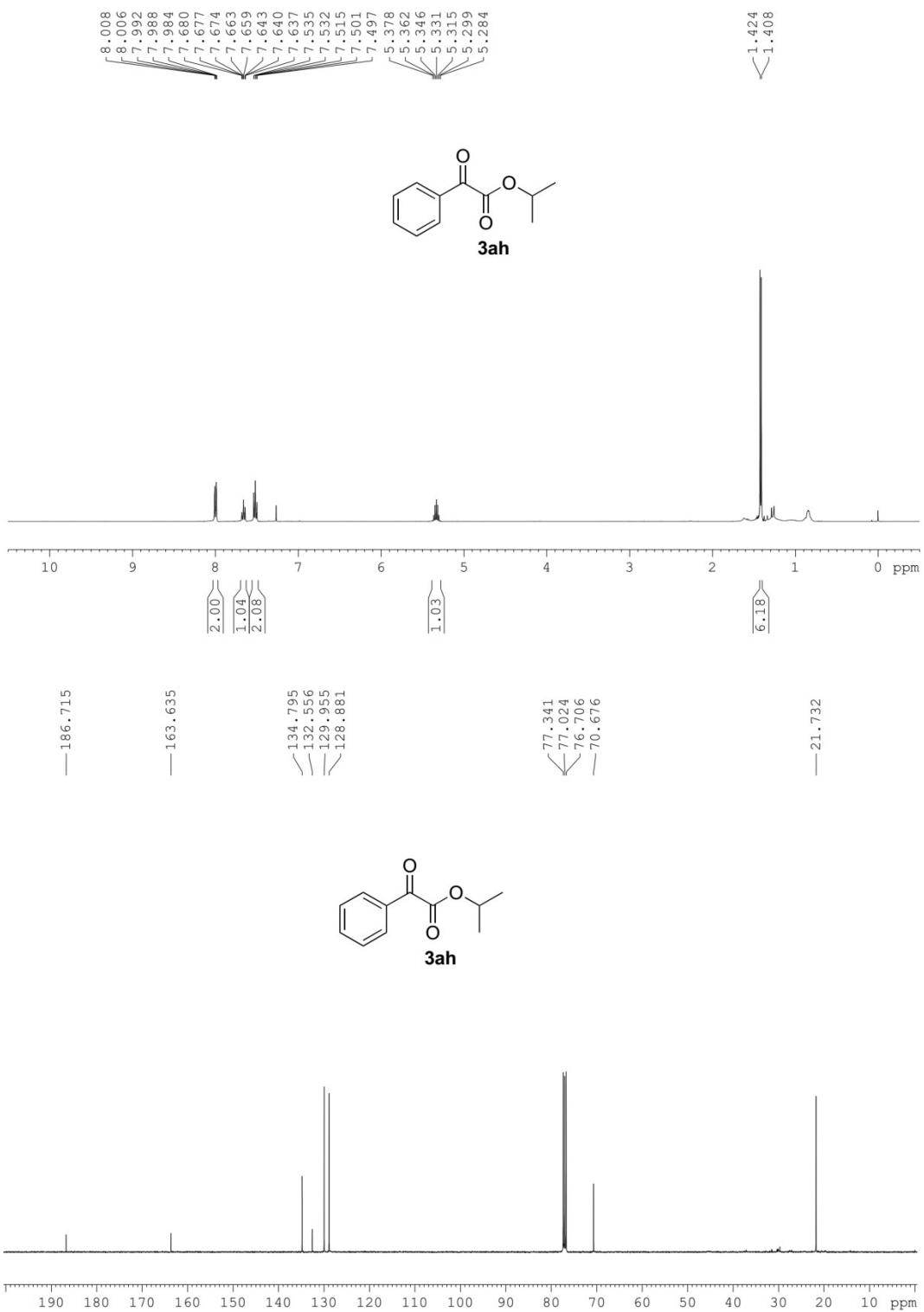


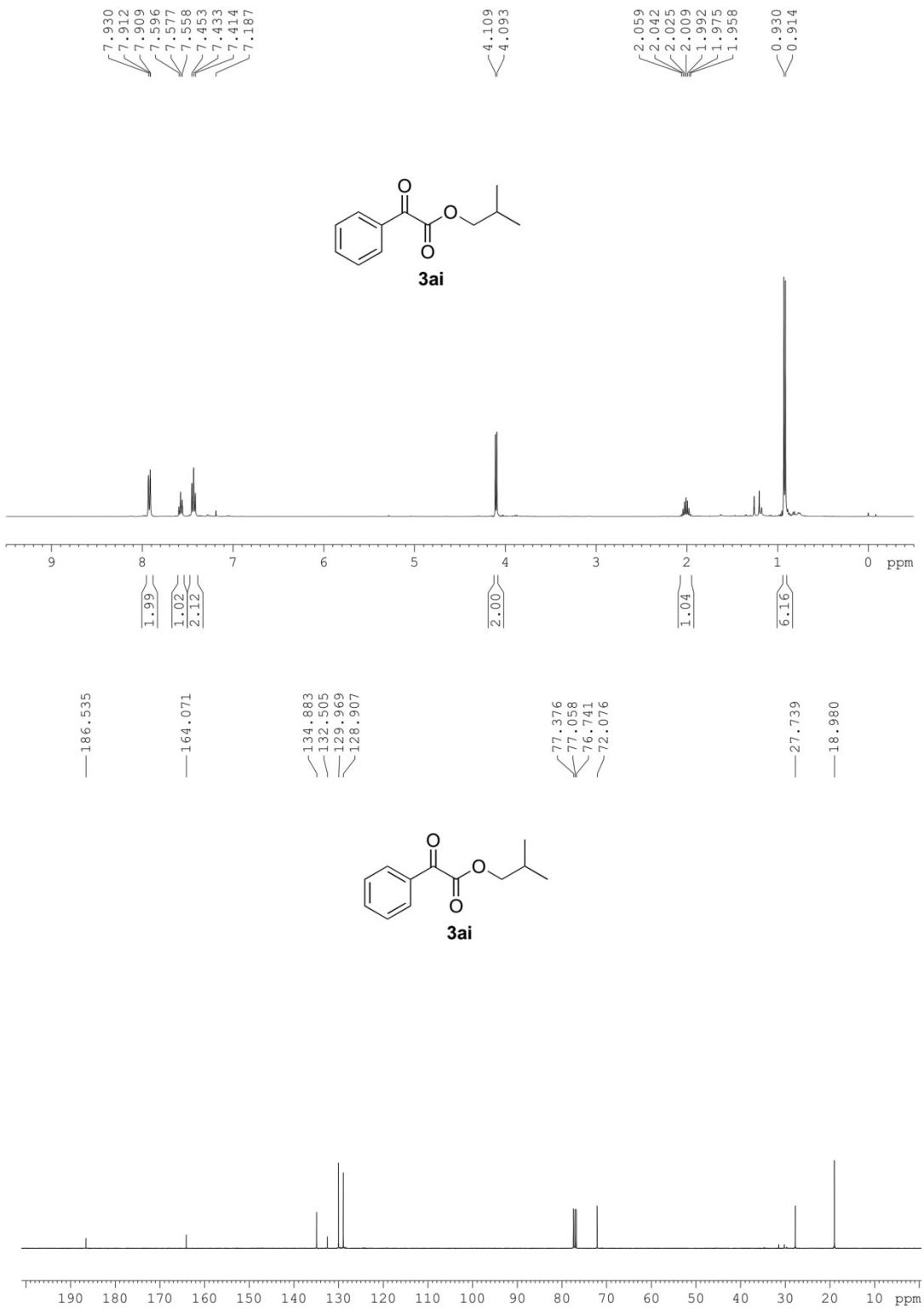


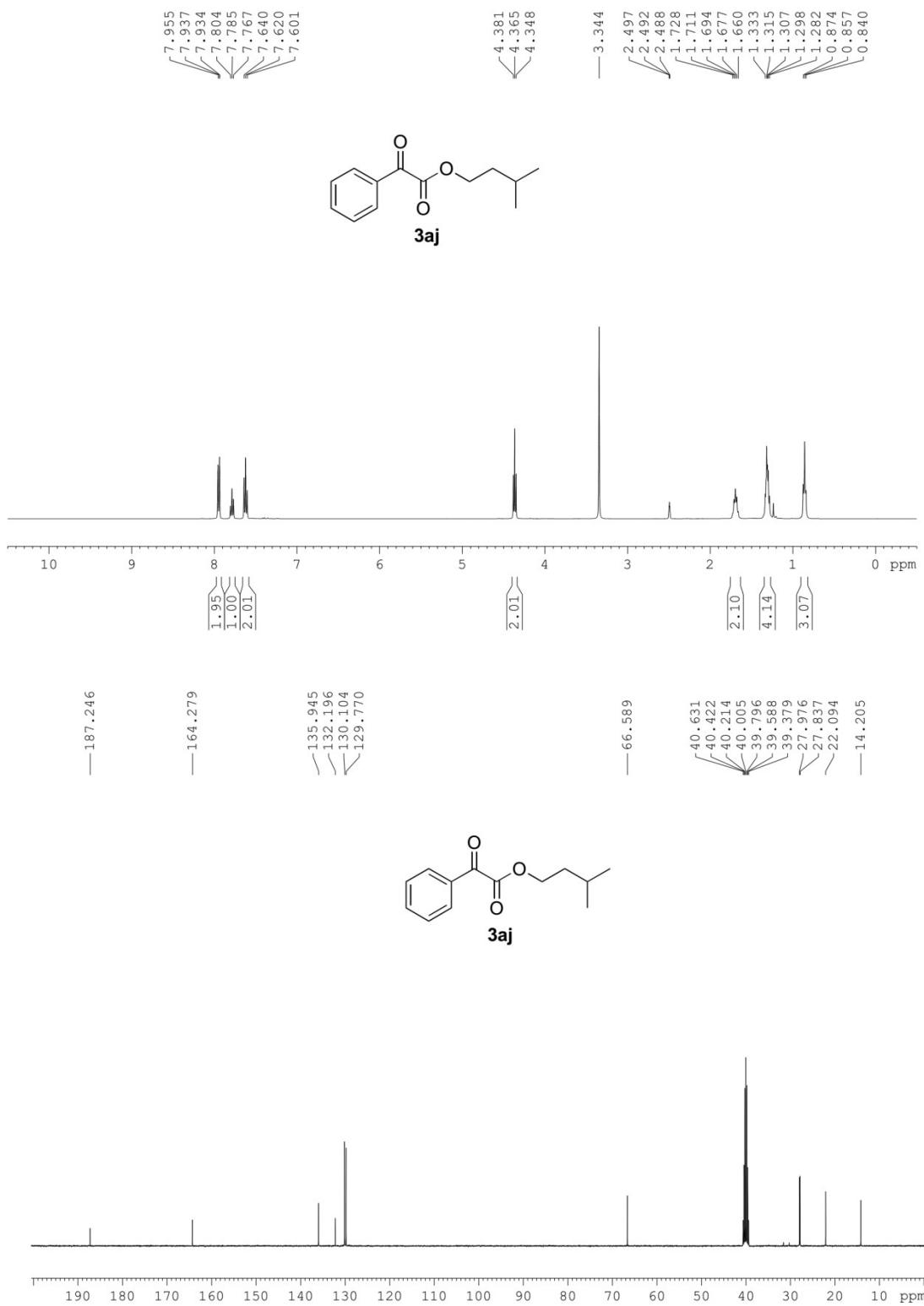


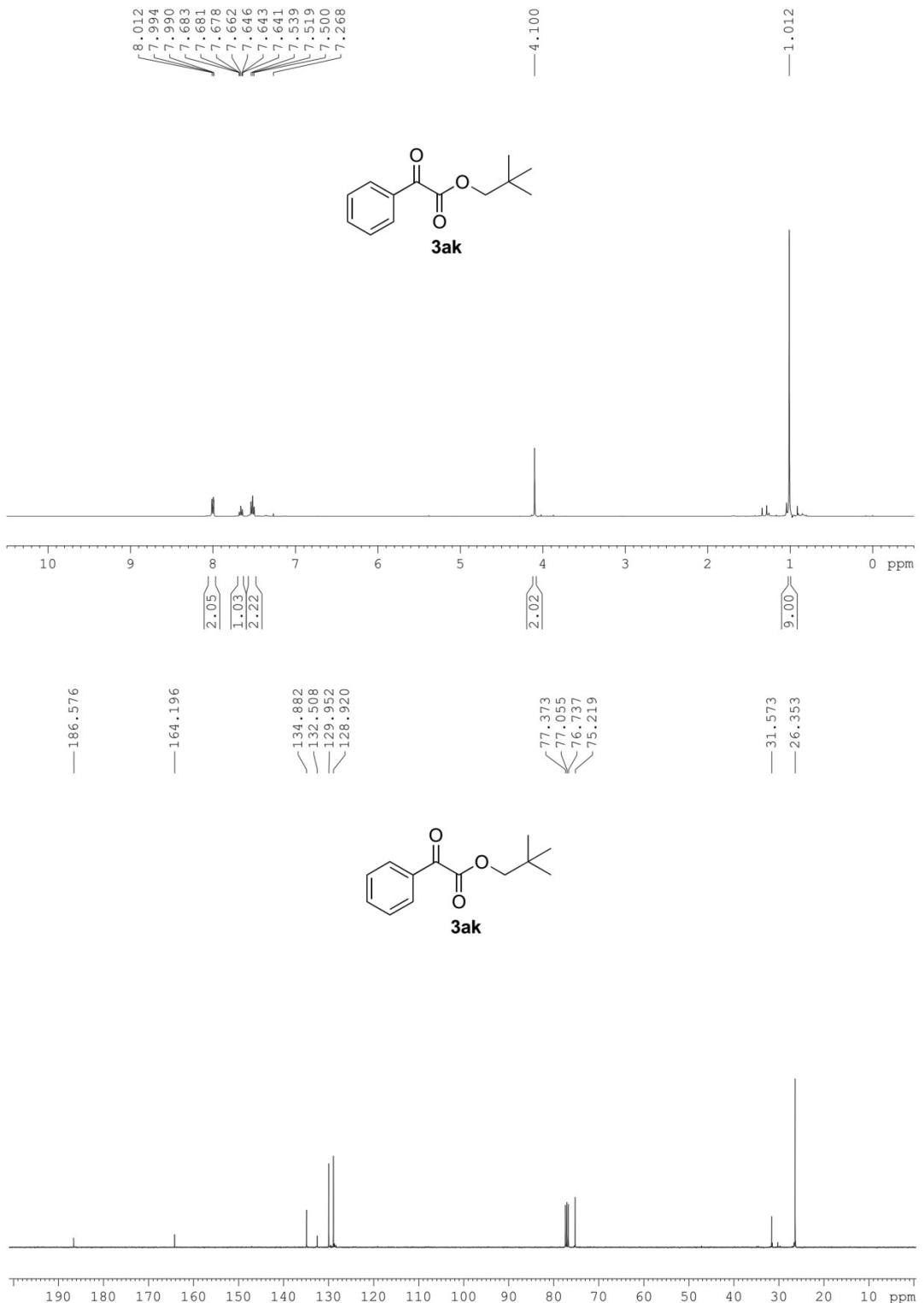


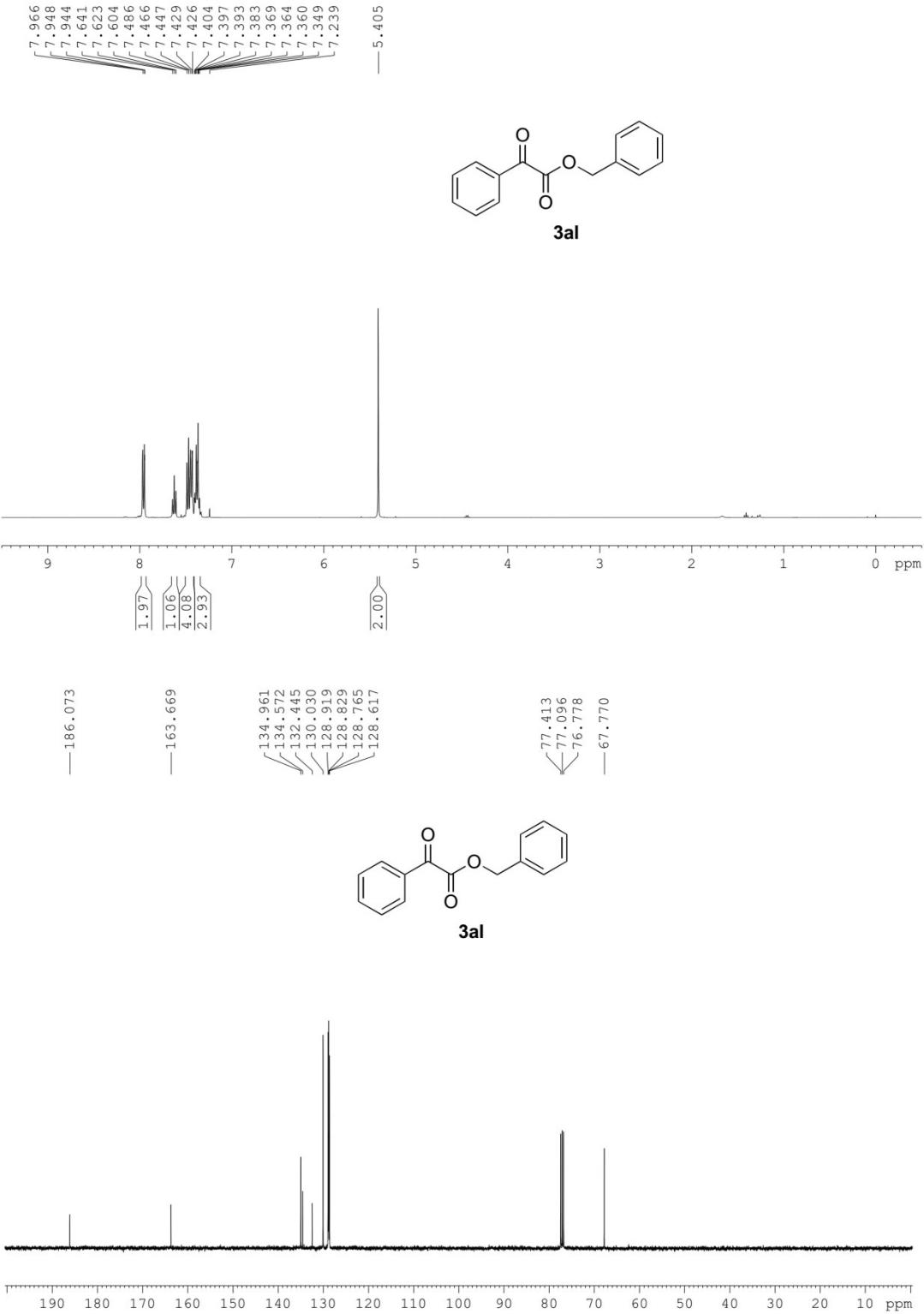


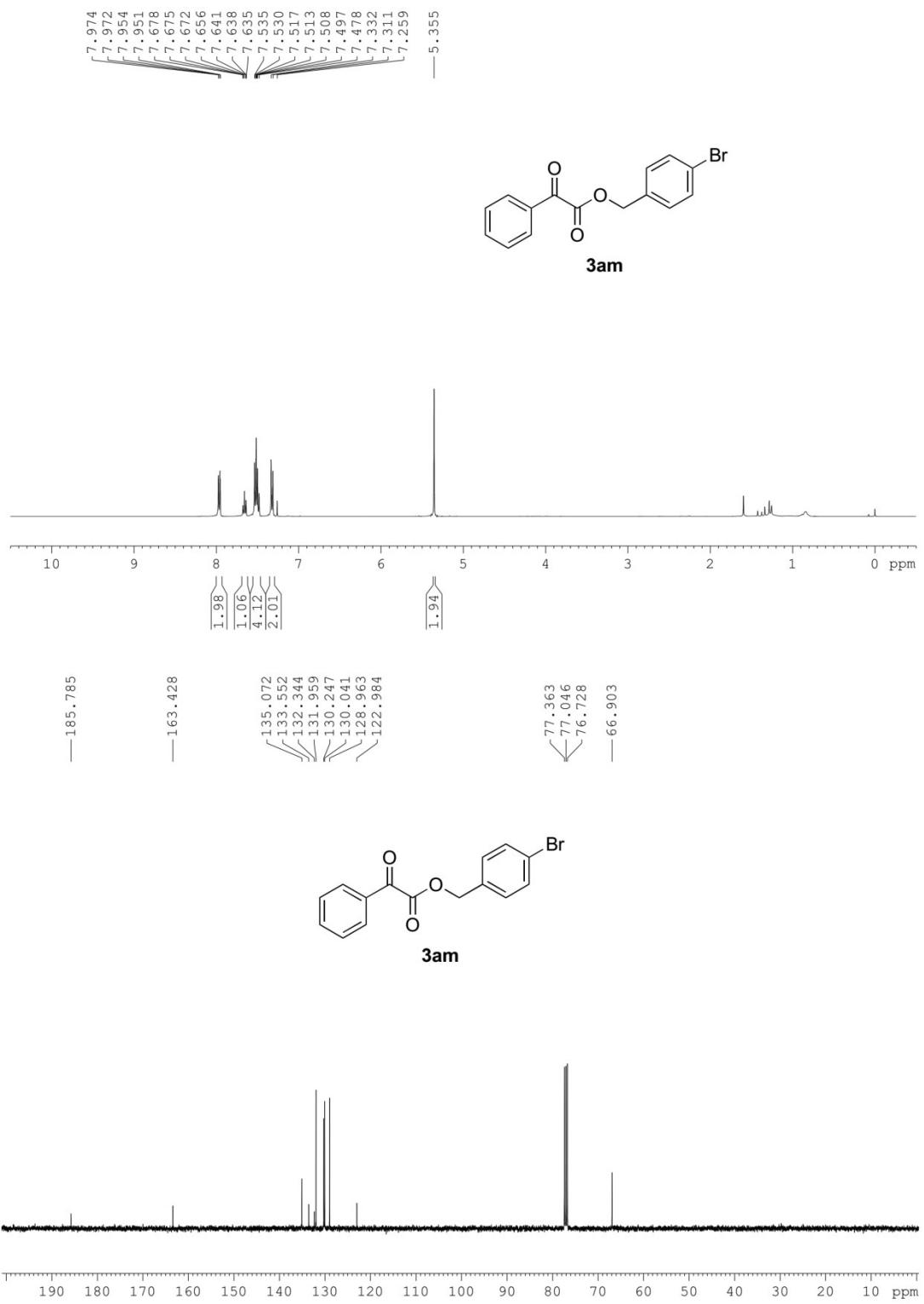


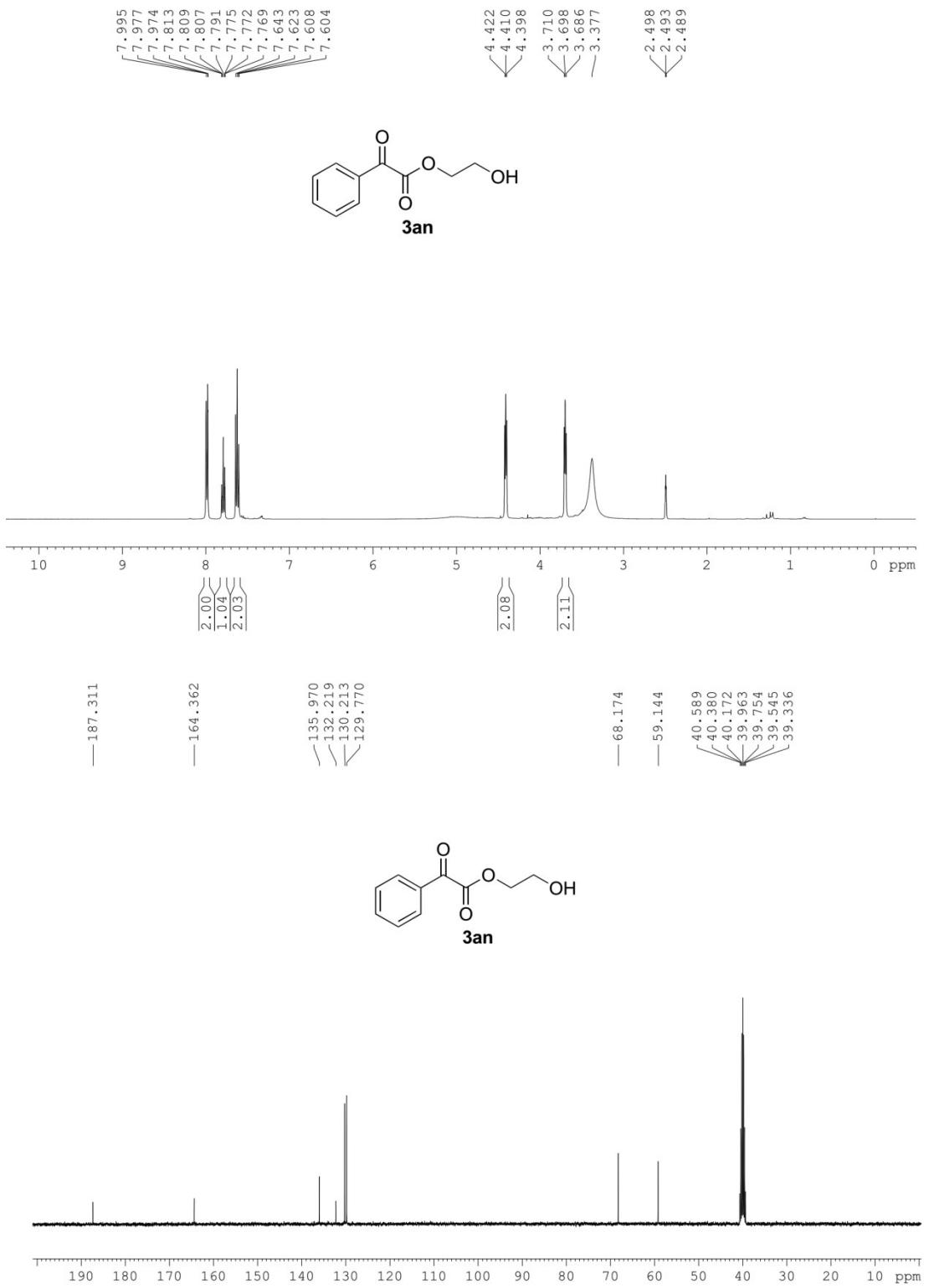




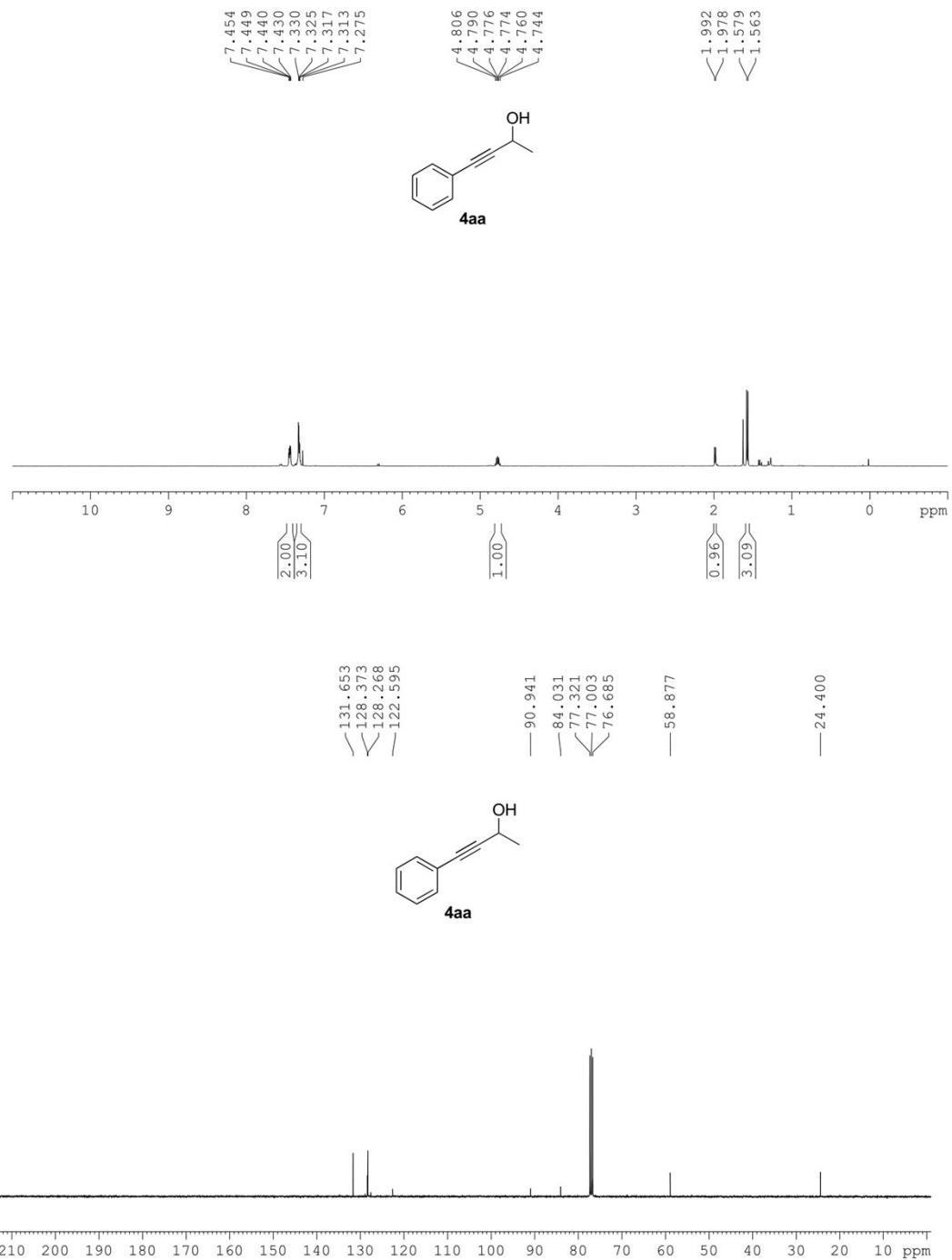


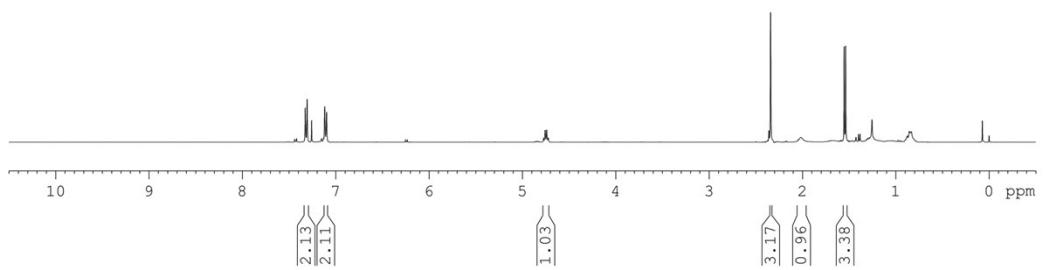
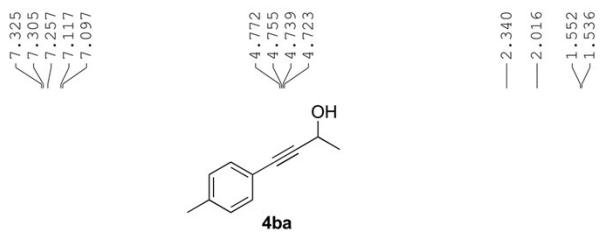












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