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**Synthesis of 1,2,4-Oxadiazolidines via [3+2] Cycloaddition of
Nitrones with Carbodiimides**

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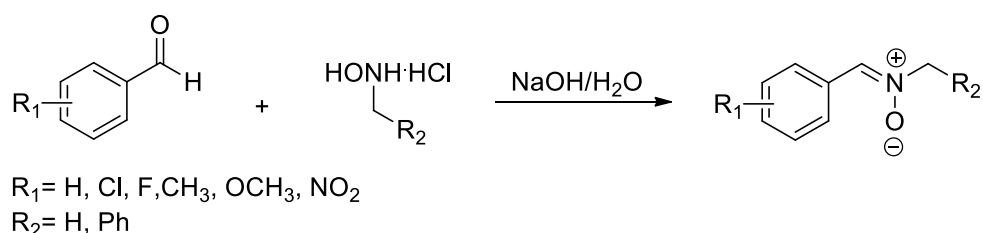
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1 General Information

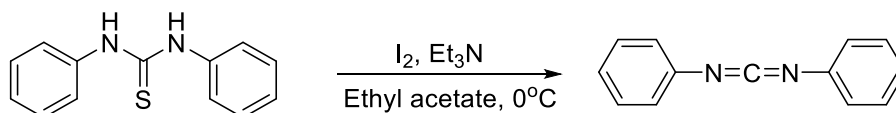
All reactions were carried out under an atmosphere of nitrogen in oven-dried glassware with magnetic stirring, unless otherwise specified. Dichloromethane was purified by passage through a bed of activated alumina. All other reagents and solvents were purchased from Sigma-Aldrich or J&K Chemical Company and used without any further purification. TLC information was recorded on GF 254 (Qingdao Haiyang Chemical Co., Ltd. P. R. China) plates and developed by staining with KMnO_4 or ceric ammonium molybdate (CAM). Purification of reaction products was carried out by flash chromatography using Silica gel (200 - 300 mesh, Qingdao Haiyang Chemical Co. Ltd. P. R. China). ^1H NMR spectra were measured on Varian 400 (400 MHz), spectrometers and are reported in ppm (s=singlet, d=doublet, t=triplet, q=quartet, m=multiplet, br=broad; integration; coupling constant(s) in Hz), using TMS as an internal standard (TMS at 0.00 ppm) in CDCl_3 . ^{13}C NMR spectra were recorded on V400 spectrometer and reported in ppm using solvent as an internal standard (CDCl_3 at 77.16 ppm). High-resolution mass spectra were obtained using an Agilent 6230 TOF LC/MS with an (atmospheric pressure photo-ionization (APPI) or electrospray (ESI) source with purine and HP-0921 as an internal calibrants. HRMS (EI) was performed on an API-Qstar-Pulsar-1 spectrometer. Melting points were determined on a digital melting-point apparatus and uncorrected.

2.2 General procedure A for the synthesis of nitrones



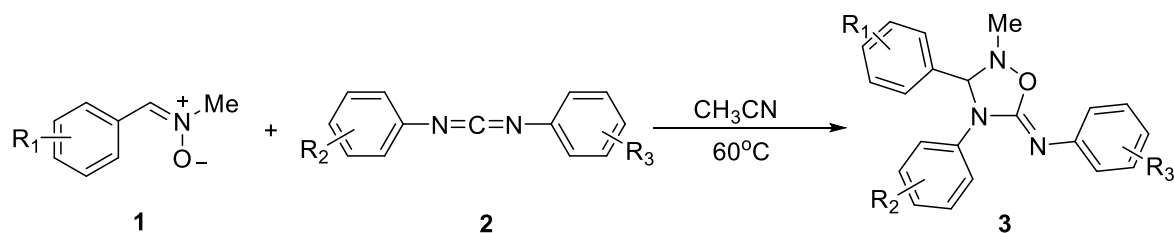
To a solution of hydroxylamine hydrochloride (1.0 mmol) in the water (2.0 mL) was added aldehyde (1.0 mmol) and NaOH (1.0 mmol), the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature until completion, the aqueous phase extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3 x 10 mL). The combined organic phase was dried over MgSO_4 and concentrated in vacuo to give nitrones.

2.2 General procedure B for the synthesis of carbodiimides



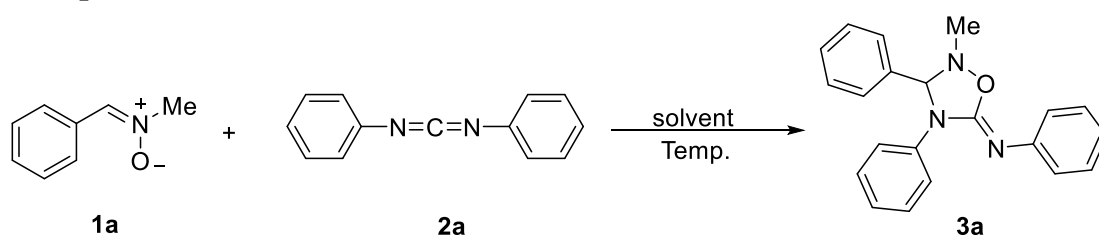
To a stirred and ice-cooled solution of 1,3-diphenylthiourea (2 mmol) in ethyl acetate (5 mL), was added triethylamine (4 mmol). To this was added iodine (2.2 mmol) portion-wise over a period of 30 min. A light yellow colour precipitate of sulfur started separating out during this period. The precipitated sulfur was filtered, the organic layer evaporated and then extracted with hexane (3 x 10 mL). The solution was concentrated under reduced pressure and purified by eluting through a short column of silica gel (100% hexane) to give oily carbodiimide (80%).

2.3 General procedure C for the [3+2]-cycloaddition of nitrones with carbodiimides:



To a solution of nitrones **1** (1.5 mmol) in CH_3CN (2.0 mL) was added carbodiimide **2** (1.0 mmol.) and stirred at $60^\circ C$ and the reaction progress monitored by TLC (hexane : ethyl acetate = 10:1) until complete consumption of the carbodiimide (reaction time: see substrate tables). The mixture was filtered through the short pad of celite and the filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified via flash column chromatography (hexane : ethyl acetate = 100:1 to 20:1) to provide the desired cycloadducts.

2.1 Optimization of reaction conditions (Table 1)



Entry ^a	Solvent	T/ ^o C	T/h	Yilde ^b
1	CH_3CN	110	4	40%
2	CH_3CN	80	4	56%
3	CH_3CN	60	4	89%
4	CH_3CN	50	4	64%
5	CH_3CN	r.t.	24	24%
6	Tol.	60	24	50%
7	DMF	60	24	<5%
8	DMSO	60	24	<5%
9	1,4-dioxane	60	4	69%
10	CH_3CH_2OH	60	24	<5%
11	CH_3OH	r.t.	24	<5%
12	CH_3CO_2Et	r.t.	24	<5%
13	DCM	r.t.	24	<5%
14	THF	r.t.	24	<5%

a Reaction conditions: a mixture of **1a** (1.5 mmol), **2a** (1.0 mmol) in solvent (2 mL) was stirred at the setting temperature for a certain period of time.

b Yield of isolated product.

Table 2. Scope of nitrones.^a

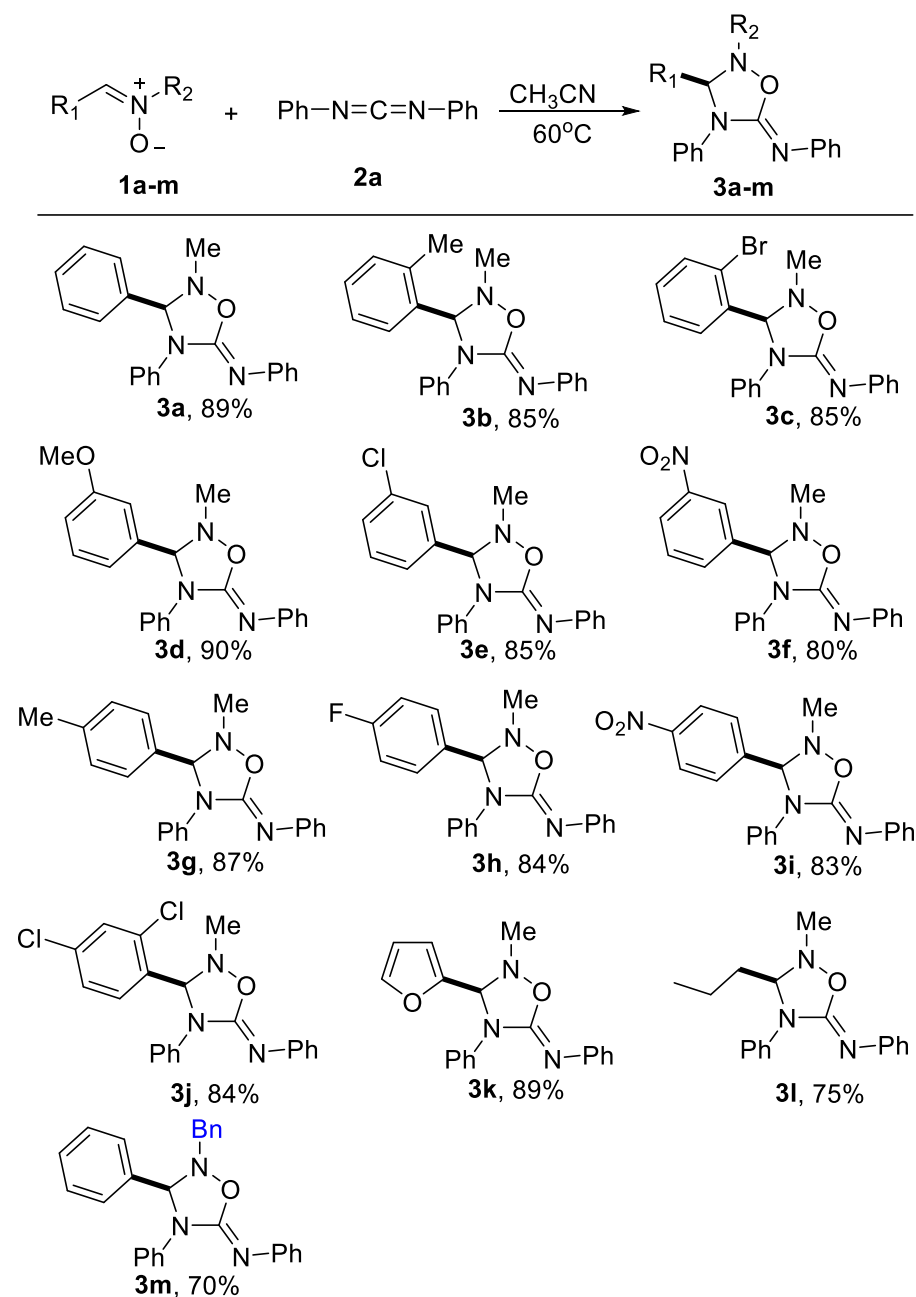
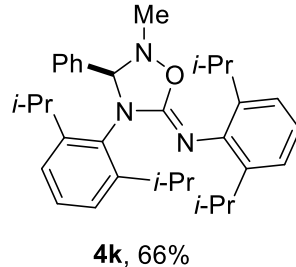
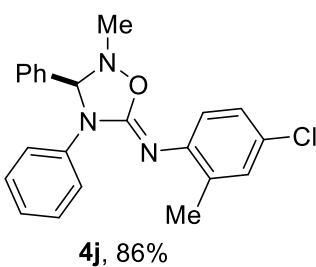
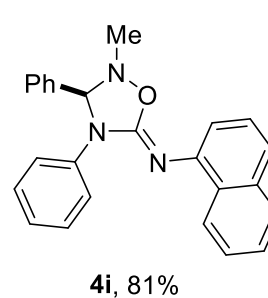
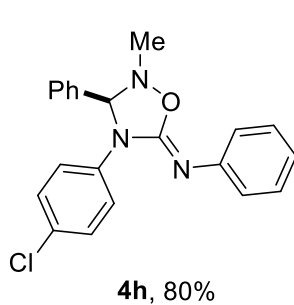
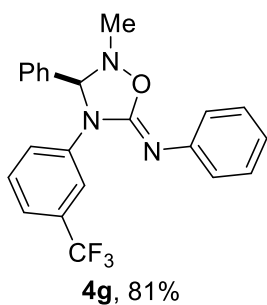
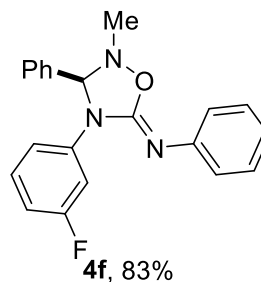
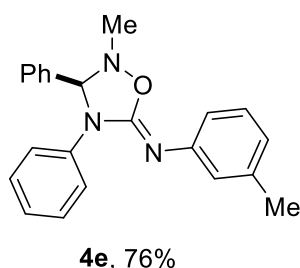
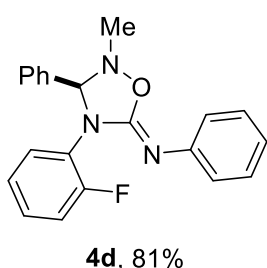
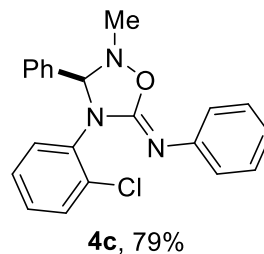
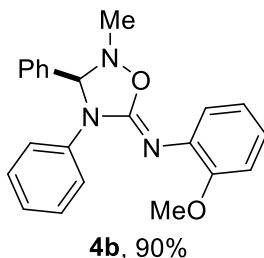
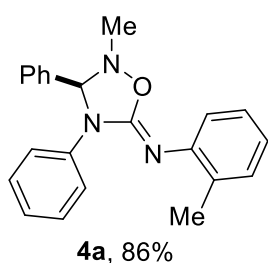
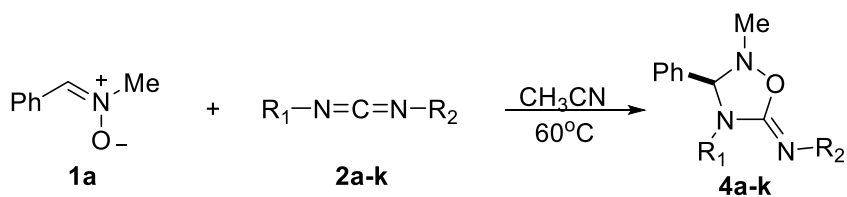
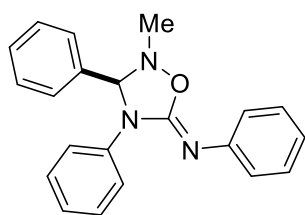


Table 3. Scope of carbodiimides.^a



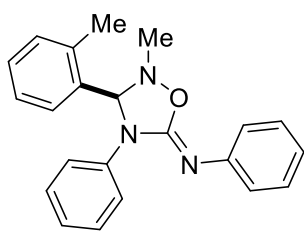
3. Structure characterization



(*R,Z*)-2-methyl-*N*,3,4-triphenyl-1,2,4-oxadiazolidin-5-imine (**3a**)

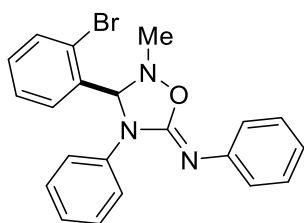
White solid, m. p. 78-80°C, 89% yield. Reaction time 4h. ¹HNMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.60-7.58 (m, 2H), 7.48-7.40 (m, 5H), 7.35-7.31 (m, 4H), 7.30-7.28 (m, 2H), 7.21-7.03 (m, 2H), 5.60 (s, 1H), 3.06 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃): δ 147.6, 146.1, 138.2, 136.2, 129.6, 129.0, 128.6, 127.1, 124.1, 123.5, 122.9, 120.7,

85.1, 45.9. HRMS (EI) *m/z* 352.1428 [M+Na]⁺ (calcd for C₂₁H₁₉N₃ONa 352.1426).



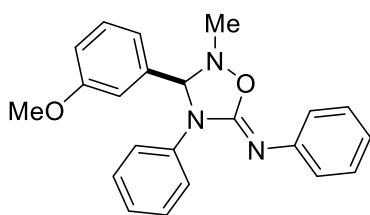
(*R,Z*)-2-methyl-*N*,4-diphenyl-3-(*o*-tolyl)-1,2,4-oxadiazolidin-5-imine (**3b**)

White solid, m. p. 84-85°C, 85% yield. Reaction time 4h. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.61-7.59 (m, 2H), 7.36-7.28 (m, 7H), 7.24-7.03 (m, 5H), 5.83 (s, 1H), 3.07 (s, 3H), 2.47 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 146.0, 138.4, 136.3, 133.8, 131.3, 129.3, 129.0, 128.6, 125.9, 123.7, 123.6, 123.0, 119.5, 82.2, 46.1, 19.2. HRMS (EI) *m/z* 366.1584 [M+Na]⁺ (calcd for C₂₂H₂₁N₃ONa 366.1582).



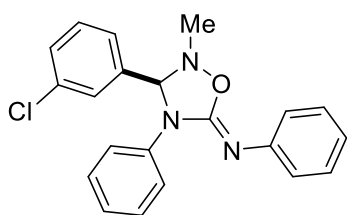
(*R,Z*)-3-(2-bromophenyl)-2-methyl-*N*,4-diphenyl-1,2,4-oxadiazolidin-5-imine (**3c**)

Colorless oil, 85% yield. Reaction time 4h. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.71-7.62 (m, 3H), 7.42-7.21 (m, 8H), 7.13-7.04 (m, 2H), 6.09 (s, 1H), 3.15 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 147.5, 145.8, 138.1, 133.6, 130.9, 129.1, 128.6, 128.2, 127.6, 123.8, 123.6, 123.5, 123.1, 119.2, 83.1, 46.5. HRMS (EI) *m/z* 430.0531 [M+Na]⁺ (calcd for C₂₁H₁₈N₃ONa 430.0531).



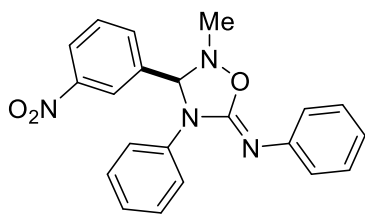
(*R,Z*)-3-(3-methoxyphenyl)-2-methyl-*N*,4-diphenyl-1,2,4-oxadiazolidin-5-imine (**3d**)

White solid, m. p. 75-77°C, 90% yield. Reaction time 4h. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.60-7.58 (m, 2H), 7.35-7.19 (m, 5H), 7.13-6.92 (m, 7H), 5.57 (s, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.06 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 160.1, 146.1, 138.2, 130.1, 129.0, 128.6, 124.2, 123.5, 122.9, 120.8, 119.4, 115.2, 112.5, 85.1, 55.3, 45.9. HRMS (EI) *m/z* 382.1531 [M+Na]⁺ (calcd for C₂₂H₂₁N₃O₂Na 382.1531).



(*R,Z*)-3-(3-chlorophenyl)-2-methyl-*N*,4-diphenyl-1,2,4-oxadiazolidin-5-imine (**3e**)

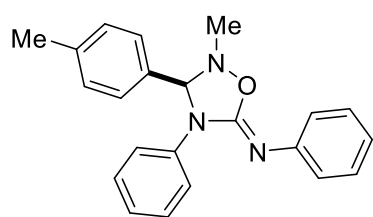
White solid, m. p. 74-76°C, 85% yield. Reaction time 4h. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.59-7.57 (m, 2H), 7.47 (s, 1H), 7.40-7.28 (m, 7H), 7.19-7.04 (m, 4H), 5.58 (s, 1H), 3.06 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 147.2, 146.1, 138.0, 135.0, 130.3, 129.8, 129.2, 128.6, 127.4, 125.1, 124.4, 123.5, 123.5, 123.1, 120.5, 84.3, 46.0. HRMS (EI) *m/z* 386.1034 [M+Na]⁺ (calcd for C₂₁H₁₈ClN₃ONa 386.1036).



(*R,Z*)-2-methyl-3-(3-nitrophenyl)-*N*,4-diphenyl-1,2,4-oxadiazolidin-5-imine (**3f**)

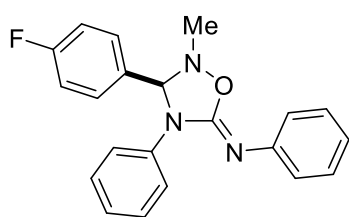
White solid, m. p. 84-86°C, 80% yield. Reaction time 4h. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.37-8.36 (m, 1H), 8.29-8.26 (m, 1H), 7.78-7.76 (m, 1H), 7.62-7.58 (m, 3H), 7.39-7.29 (m, 4H), 7.19-7.07 (m, 4H), 5.74 (s, 1H), 3.10 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 148.6, 145.6, 137.8, 132.8, 130.2, 129.4, 128.7, 124.7, 123.4, 123.3, 122.6, 120.5, 83.6, 29.7. HRMS (EI) *m/z*

397.1274 [M+Na]⁺ (calcd for C₂₁H₁₈N₄O₃Na 397.1277).



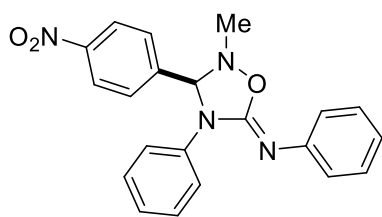
(R,Z)-2-methyl-N,4-diphenyl-3-(p-tolyl)-1,2,4-oxadiazolidin-5-imine(**3g**)

White solid, m. p. 71-73°C, 87% yield. Reaction time 4h. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.59-7.57 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.36-7.30 (m, 6H), 7.22-7.18 (m, 4H), 7.12-7.03 (m, 2H), 5.56 (s, 1H), 3.03 (s, 3H), 2.37 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 146.2, 139.6, 138.2, 129.7, 128.9, 128.6, 127.1, 124.1, 123.6, 122.9, 120.8, 85.1, 45.7, 21.3. HRMS (EI) *m/z* 366.1580 [M+Na]⁺ (calcd for C₂₂H₂₁N₃ONa 366.1582).



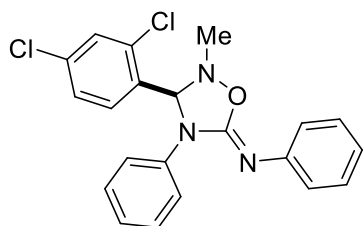
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White solid, m. p. 95-97°C, 84% yield. Reaction time 4h. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.58-7.56 (m, 2H), 7.47-7.43 (m, 2H), 7.37-7.29 (m, 4H), 7.21-7.04 (m, 6H), 5.59 (s, 1H), 3.04 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 164.6, 162.1, 146.0, 138.0, 129.1, 128.6, 124.4, 123.5, 123.0, 120.9, 116.2, 116.0, 84.5, 45.7. HRMS (EI) *m/z* 370.1332 [M+Na]⁺ (calcd for C₂₁H₁₈FN₃ONa 370.1332).



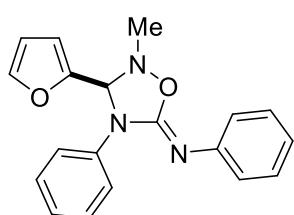
(R,Z)-2-methyl-3-(4-nitrophenyl)-N,4-diphenyl-1,2,4-oxadiazolidin-5-imine(**3i**)

White solid, m. p. 96-98°C, 83% yield. Reaction time 4h. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Acetone-*d*₆): δ 8.33-8.31 (m, 1H), 8.12 (s, 1H), 7.82-7.79 (m, 3H), 7.57-7.55 (m, 2H), 7.40-7.21 (m, 4H), 7.15-6.99 (m, 2H), 6.47 (s, 1H), 3.15 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, Acetone-*d*₆): δ 146.5, 140.0, 138.2, 128.9, 128.7, 128.5, 128.4, 123.9, 123.2, 122.7, 122.0, 120.1, 118.5, 82.3, 45.7. HRMS (EI) *m/z* 397.1275 [M+Na]⁺ (calcd for C₂₁H₁₈N₄O₃Na 397.1277).



(R,Z)-3-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-2-methyl-N,4-diphenyl-1,2,4-oxadiazolidin-5-imine(**3j**)

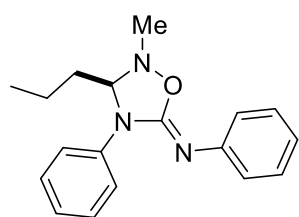
White solid, m. p. 85-87°C, 84% yield. Reaction time 4h. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.61-7.53 (m, 3H), 7.38-7.27 (m, 8H), 7.21-7.05 (m, 2H), 6.07 (s, 1H), 3.11 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 147.3, 145.7, 137.9, 136.0, 134.4, 130.2, 129.2, 128.7, 128.6, 128.4, 127.9, 124.0, 123.5, 123.2, 119.3, 80.7, 46.4. HRMS (EI) *m/z* 420.0646 [M+Na]⁺ (calcd for C₂₁H₁₇Cl₂N₃ONa 420.0646).



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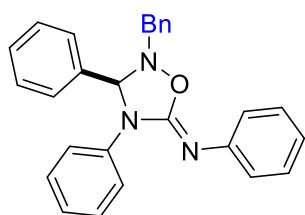
White solid, m. p. 83-85°C, 89% yield. Reaction time 4h. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.68-7.66 (m, 2H), 7.49(s,1H), 7.39-7.32 (m, 5H), 7.30-7.03 (m, 3H), 6.49 (s, 1H), 6.40 (s, 1H), 5.72 (s, 1H), 3.05

(s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 149.4, 145.9, 143.7, 138.0, 129.0, 128.6, 124.2, 123.5, 123.0, 120.2, 110.7, 109.7, 78.7, 45.8. HRMS (EI) m/z 342.1220 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ (calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{17}\text{N}_3\text{O}_2\text{Na}$ 342.1218).



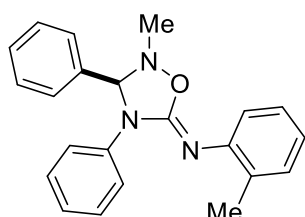
(*R,Z*)-2-methyl-*N*,4-diphenyl-3-propyl-1,2,4-oxadiazolidin-5-imine(**3I**)

Cololess oil, 75% yield. Reaction time 4h. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.78 (d, 2H, $J=8\text{Hz}$), 7.47-7.43 (m, 2H), 7.33-7.29 (m, 2H), 7.18-7.16 (m, 3H), 7.08-7.04 (m, 1H), 4.76 (m, 1H), 2.94 (s, 3H), 1.85-1.79 (m, 2H), 1.68-48 (m, 2H), 1.00 (t, 3H, $J=8\text{Hz}$); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 147.2, 146.4, 138.1, 129.3, 128.6, 123.9, 123.4, 122.8, 120.1, 82.9, 46.4, 34.3, 17.9, 13.8. HRMS (EI) m/z 318.1582 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ (calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{21}\text{N}_3\text{ONa}$ 318.1582).



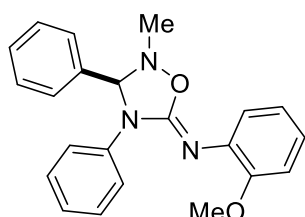
(*R,Z*)-2-benzyl-*N*,3,4-triphenyl-1,2,4-oxadiazolidin-5-imine(**3m**)

Cololess oil, 70% yield. Reaction time 4h. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.64-7.62 (m, 2H), 7.41-7.20 (m, 16H), 7.12-7.03 (m, 2H), 5.82 (s, 1H), 4.50 (d, 1H, $J=11\text{Hz}$), 4.20 (d, 1H, $J=11\text{Hz}$); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 147.6, 146.0, 138.4, 134.2, 129.8, 129.1, 128.9, 128.8, 128.6, 128.5, 128.0, 126.7, 123.7, 123.5, 123.0, 119.6, 80.3, 62.3. HRMS (EI) m/z 428.4911 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ (calcd for $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{23}\text{N}_3\text{ONa}$ 428.4908).



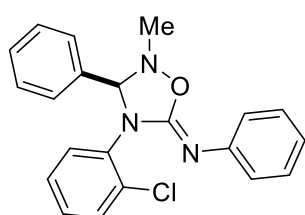
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White solid, m. p. 80-81°C, 86% yield. Reaction time 4h. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.64-7.62 (m, 2H), 7.48-7.31 (m, 7H), 7.20-6.97 (m, 5H), 5.62 (s, 1H), 3.01 (s, 3H), 2.34 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 145.1, 138.3, 130.8, 130.0, 129.5, 129.0, 128.9, 127.1, 126.0, 123.9, 122.4, 120.3, 85.1, 46.0, 18.6. HRMS (EI) m/z 366.1582 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ (calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{21}\text{N}_3\text{ONa}$ 366.1582).



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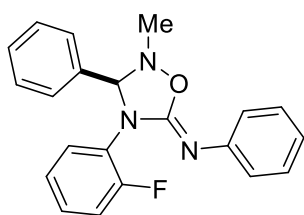
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(*R,Z*)-*N*-(2-chlorophenyl)-2-methyl-3,4-diphenyl-1,2,4-oxadiazolidin-5-imine(**4c**)

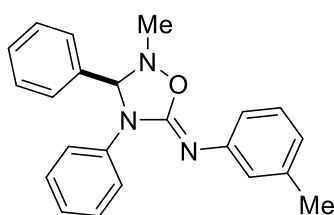
White solid, m. p. 82-84°C, 79% yield. Reaction time 4h. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.66-7.64 (m, 2H), 7.48-7.28 (m, 8H),

7.21-7.11 (m, 3H), 7.01-6.97 (m, 1H), 5.63 (s, 1H), 3.07 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 148.3, 144.1, 138.0, 136.2, 129.6, 129.4, 129.1, 127.7, 127.1, 127.0, 124.4, 124.2, 123.8, 120.7, 85.6, 46.3. HRMS (EI) m/z 386.1035 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ (calcd for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{18}\text{ClN}_3\text{ONa}$ 386.1036).



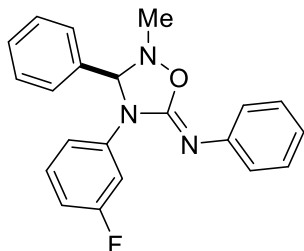
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White solid, m. p. 70-71°C, 81% yield. Reaction time 4h. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 8.33-8.30 (m, 1H), 7.57-7.48 (m, 3H), 7.45-7.30 (m, 10H), 5.67 (s, 1H), 3.04 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 142.7, 138.2, 134.3, 129.6, 129.3, 129.1, 127.8, 127.2, 125.9, 125.7, 125.1, 124.3, 124.2, 122.9, 117.8, 85.3, 45.9. HRMS (EI) m/z 370.1332 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ (calcd for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{18}\text{FN}_3\text{ONa}$ 370.1332).



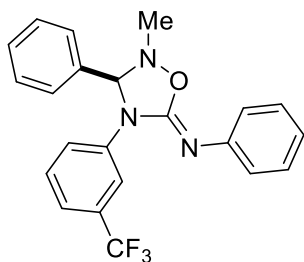
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Colorless oil, 76% yield. Reaction time 4h. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.68-7.66 (m, 1H), 7.56-7.25 (m, 10H), 7.18-6.94 (m, 3H), 5.64 (s, 1H), 3.07 (s, 3H), 2.41 (d, 3H, $J=8\text{Hz}$); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 146.4, 146.2, 139.0, 138.4, 138.2, 136.5, 129.1, 129.0, 128.7, 128.5, 127.2, 125.2, 124.3, 124.2, 123.8, 123.6, 122.9, 121.6, 120.7, 120.6, 118.0, 85.1, 45.9, 21.7, 21.6. HRMS (EI) m/z 366.1584 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ (calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{21}\text{N}_3\text{ONa}$ 366.1582).



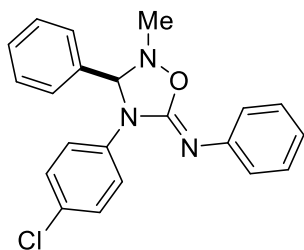
(*R,Z*)-4-(3-fluorophenyl)-2-methyl-N,3-diphenyl-1,2,4-oxadiazolidin-5-imine(**4f**)

White solid, m. p. 70-72°C, 83% yield. Reaction time 4h. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.71-7.69 (m, 2H), 7.59-7.08 (m, 9H), 7.02-6.75 (m, 3H), 5.62 (s, 1H), 3.06 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 164.3, 164.2, 161.9, 161.8, 145.8, 139.8, 139.7, 137.9, 129.7, 129.5, 129.2, 129.1, 129.0, 128.7, 127.2, 127.0, 124.6, 123.6, 121.2, 119.5, 110.9, 110.8, 110.6, 110.5, 109.7, 109.5, 84.8, 46.0, 45.8. HRMS (EI) m/z 370.1330 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ (calcd for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{18}\text{FN}_3\text{ONa}$ 370.1332).



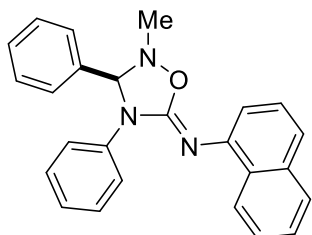
(*R,Z*)-2-methyl-N,3-diphenyl-4-(3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-1,2,4-oxadiazolidin-5-imine(**4g**)

White solid, m. p. 59-61°C, 81% yield. Reaction time 4h. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.71-7.70 (m, 1H), 7.56-7.07 (m, 13H), 5.63 (s, 1H), 3.03 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 145.5, 138.7, 135.2, 129.9, 129.4, 129.2, 129.1, 129.0, 128.7, 127.2, 125.1, 123.6, 123.4, 123.3, 120.4, 84.9, 45.8. HRMS (EI) m/z 420.1304 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ (calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{18}\text{F}_3\text{N}_3\text{ONa}$ 420.1300).



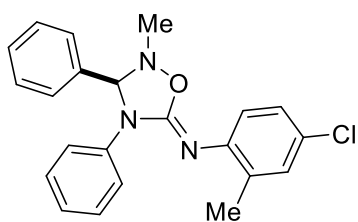
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White solid, m. p. 82-84°C, 80% yield. Reaction time 4h. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.59-7.56 (m, 2H), 7.47-7.23 (m, 10H), 7.18-7.09 (m, 2H), 5.60 (d, 1H, *J*= 20Hz), 3.04 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 145.9, 144.9, 137.9, 136.7, 129.9, 129.7, 129.4, 129.2, 129.1, 129.0, 128.8, 128.6, 128.0, 127.3, 125.1, 124.5, 123.6, 123.1, 122.2, 121.1, 85.2, 45.6. HRMS (EI) *m/z* 386.1036 [M+Na]⁺ (calcd for C₂₁H₁₈ClN₃ONa 386.1036).



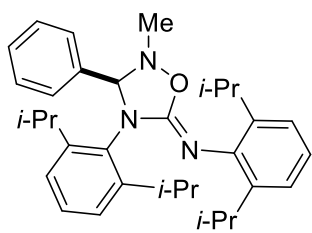
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White solid, m. p. 81-83°C, 81% yield. Reaction time 4h. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.61-7.59 (m, 2H), 7.49-7.20 (m, 8H), 7.18-7.00 (m, 7H), 5.63 (s, 1H), 3.07 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 156.4, 154.0, 138.0, 134.7, 129.6, 129.1, 127.1, 125.2, 125.1, 124.4, 123.9, 123.8, 123.7, 123.6, 120.8, 115.7, 115.5, 85.7, 46.1. HRMS (EI) *m/z* 402.1581 [M+Na]⁺ (calcd for C₂₅H₂₁N₃ONa 402.1582).



(*R,Z*)-*N*-(4-chloro-2-methylphenyl)-2-methyl-3,4-diphenyl-1,2,4-oxadiazolidin-5-imine(**4j**)

White solid, m. p. 58-60°C, 86% yield. Reaction time 4h. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.60-7.58 (m, 2H), 7.47-6.99 (11H), 5.82 (s, 1H), 3.03 (s, 3H), 2.31 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 143.8, 138.0, 132.8, 131.3, 130.1, 129.8, 129.7, 129.6, 129.1, 129.0, 128.9, 128.5, 128.4, 127.7, 127.2, 126.7, 125.9, 124.3, 123.6, 123.5, 122.7, 120.7, 85.4, 45.8, 18.5. HRMS (EI) *m/z* 400.1196 [M+Na]⁺ (calcd for C₂₂H₂₀ClN₃ONa 400.1193).

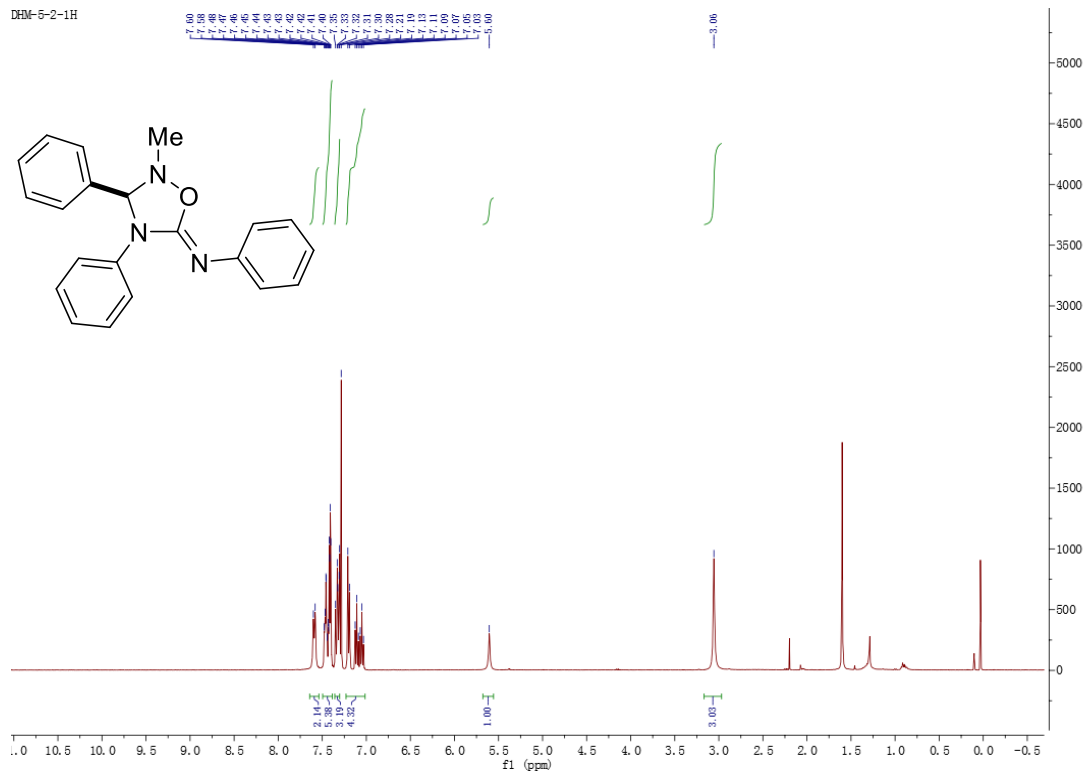


(*R,Z*)-*N*,4-bis(2,6-diisopropylphenyl)-2-methyl-3-phenyl-1,2,4-oxadiazolidin-5-imine(**4k**)

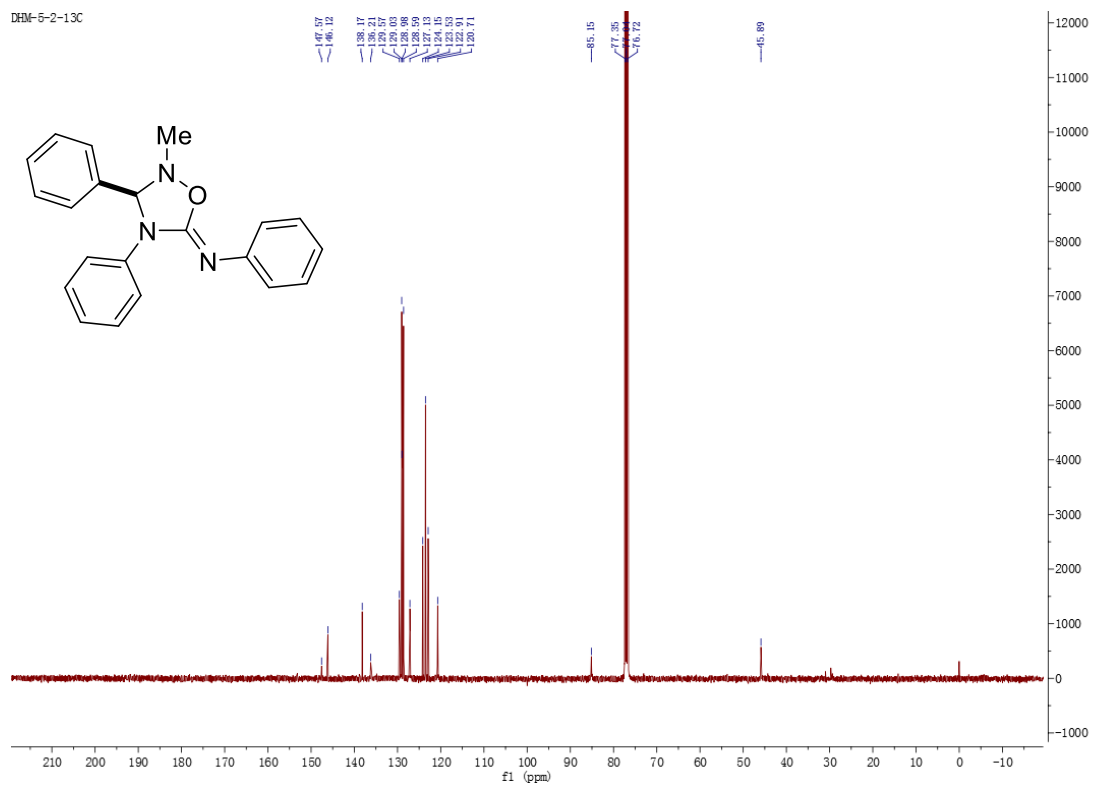
White solid, m. p. 105-107°C, 66% yield. Reaction time 4h. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.37-7.26 (m, 7H), 7.12-7.00 (m, 4H), 5.31 (s, 1H), 3.46-3.42 (m, 1H), 3.32-3.27 (m, 2H), 3.25-3.12 (m, 1H), 2.91 (s, 3H), 1.59-1.47 (m, 7H), 1.31-1.17 (m, 17H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 150.0, 148.3, 147.8, 142.8, 140.4, 134.6, 129.7, 129.4, 128.7, 128.6, 124.5, 124.4, 122.8, 122.5, 88.2, 44.4, 29.0, 28.6, 27.9, 25.5, 24.6, 23.2. HRMS (EI) *m/z* 520.3303 [M+Na]⁺ (calcd for C₃₃H₄₃N₃ONa 520.3304).

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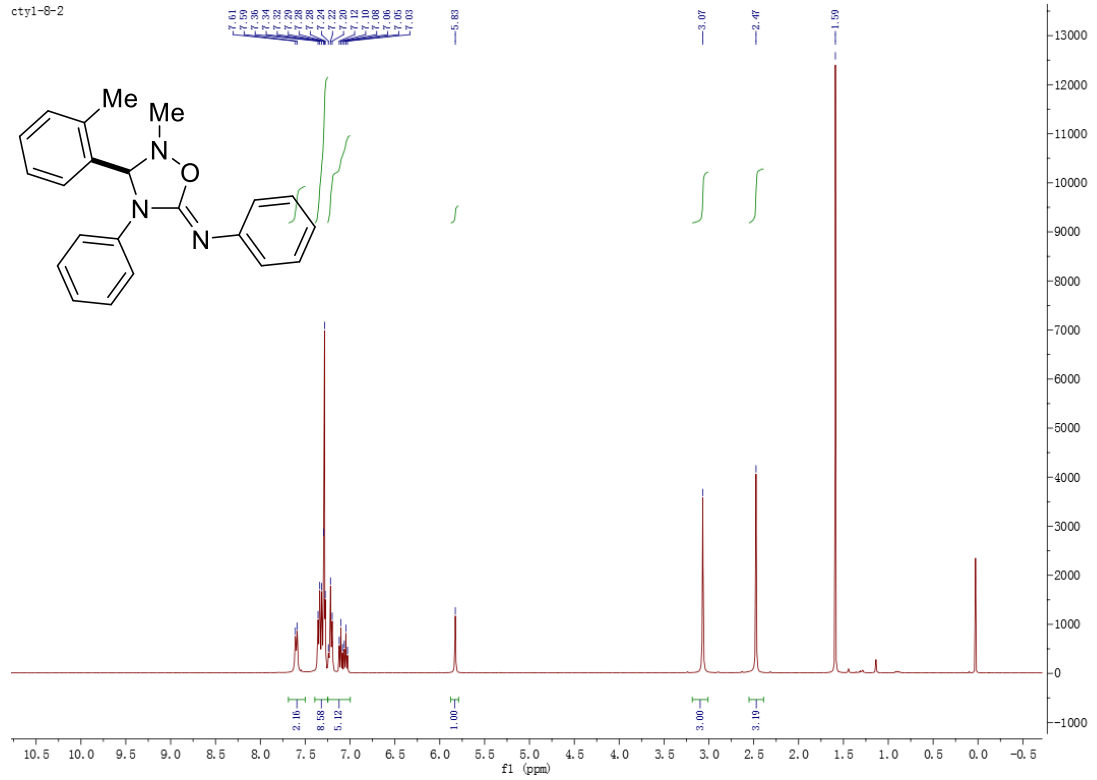
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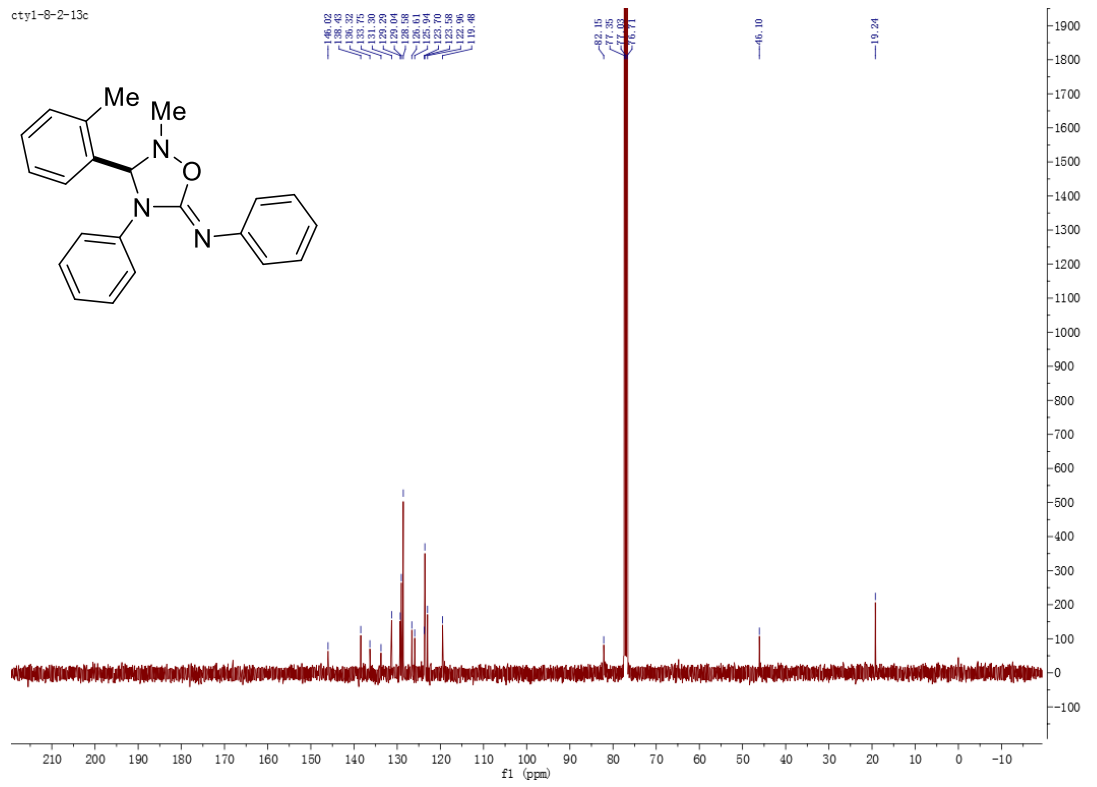
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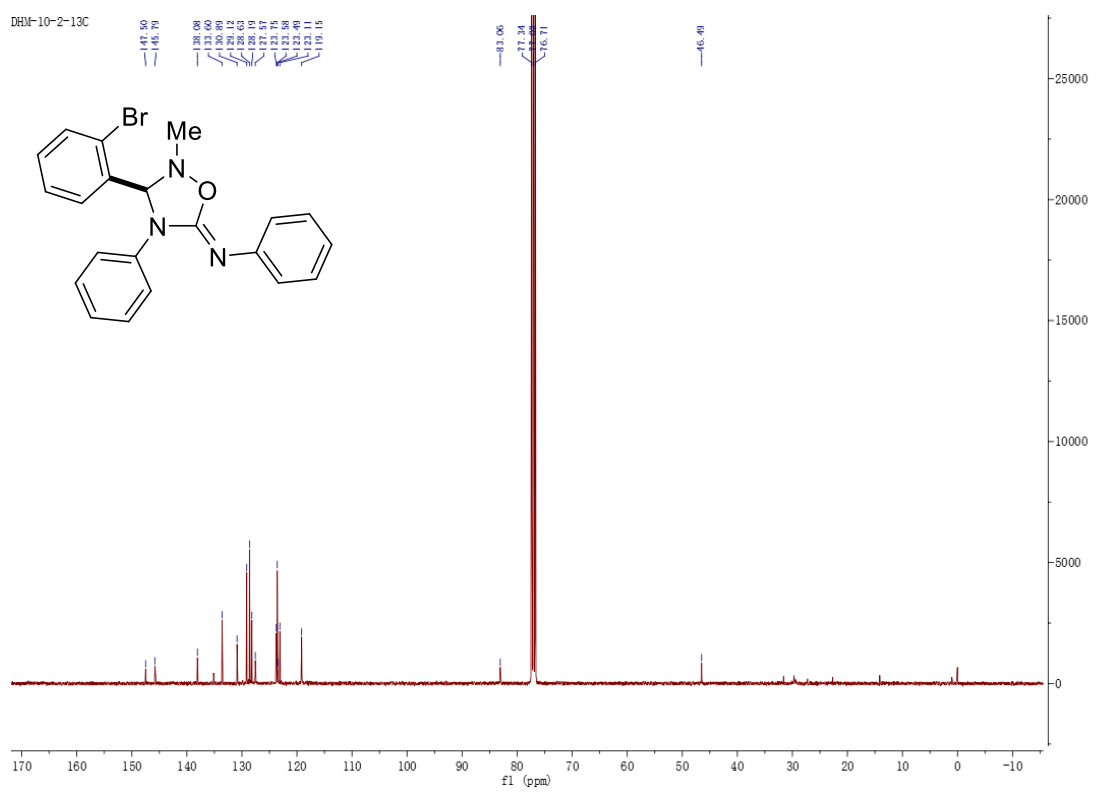
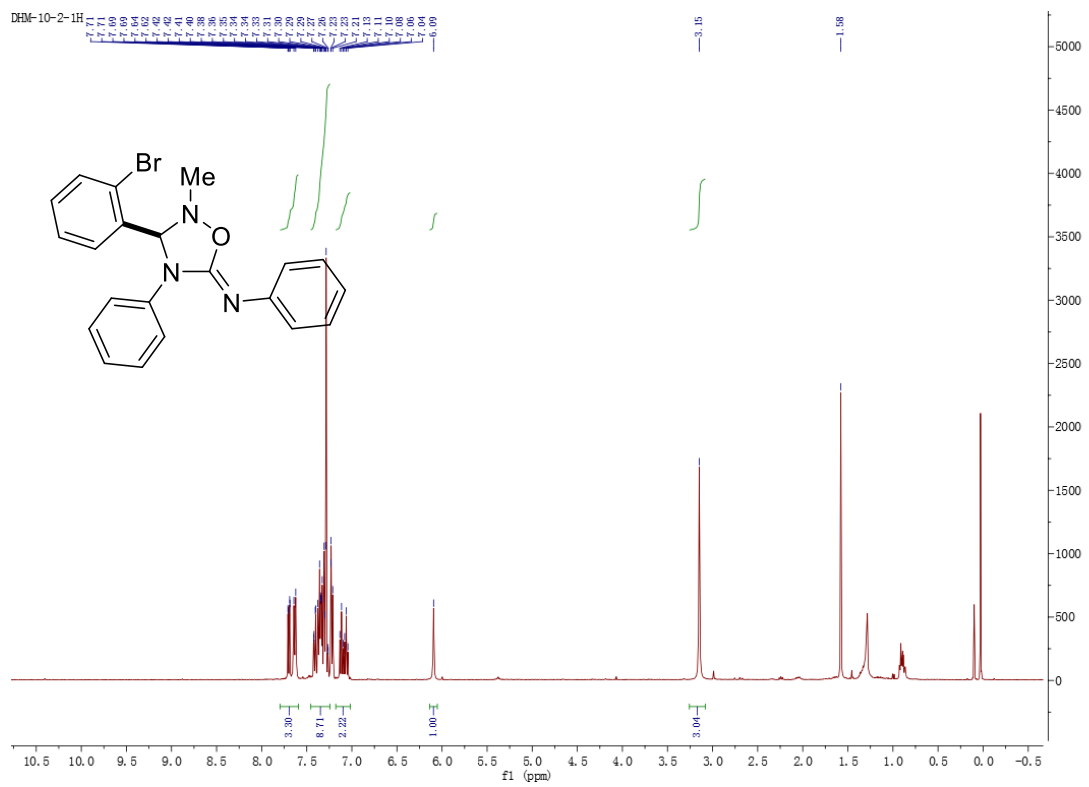


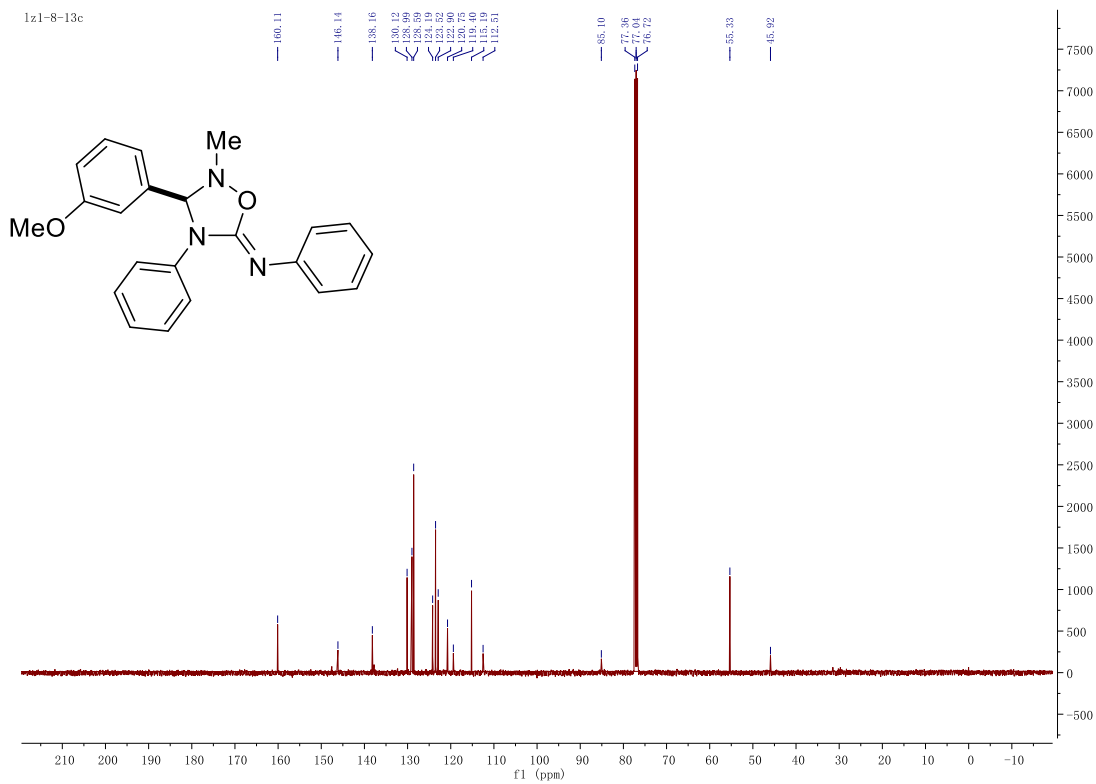
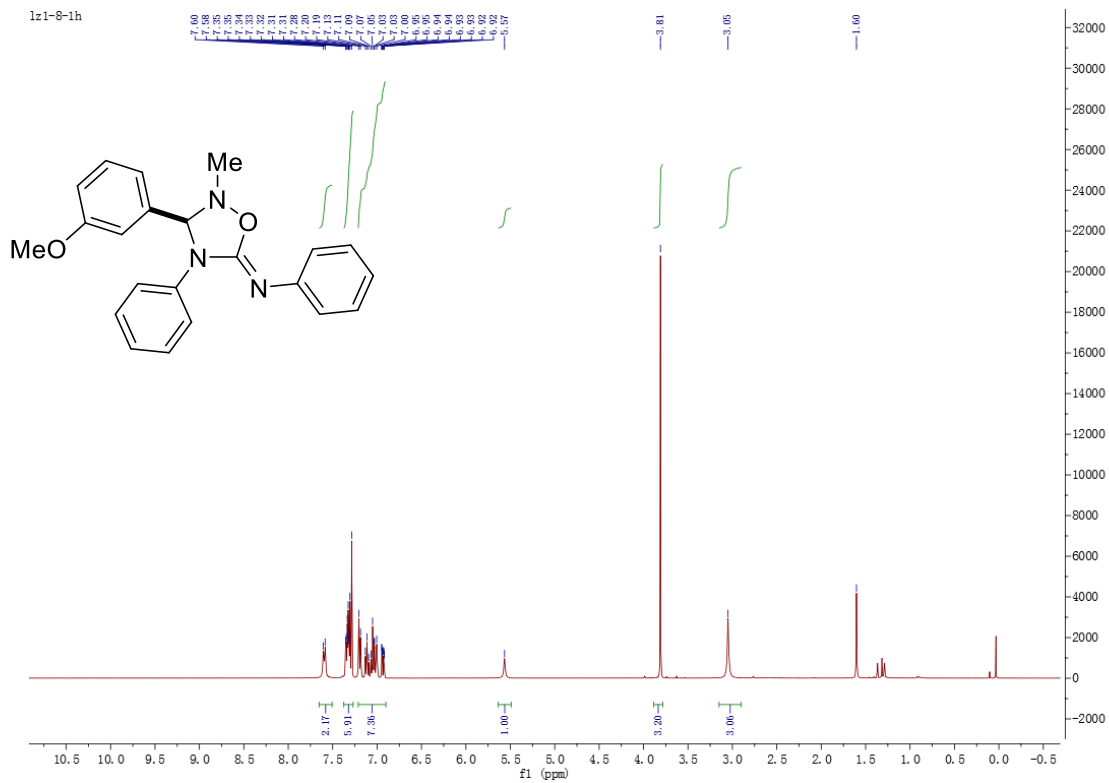
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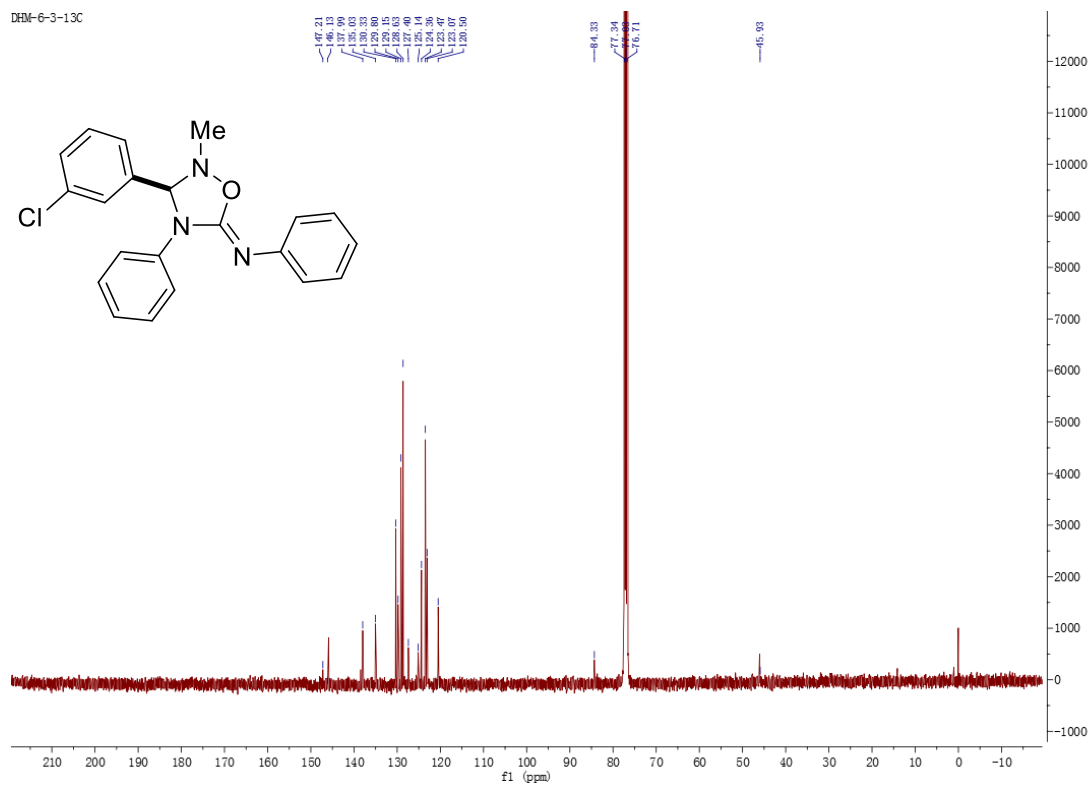
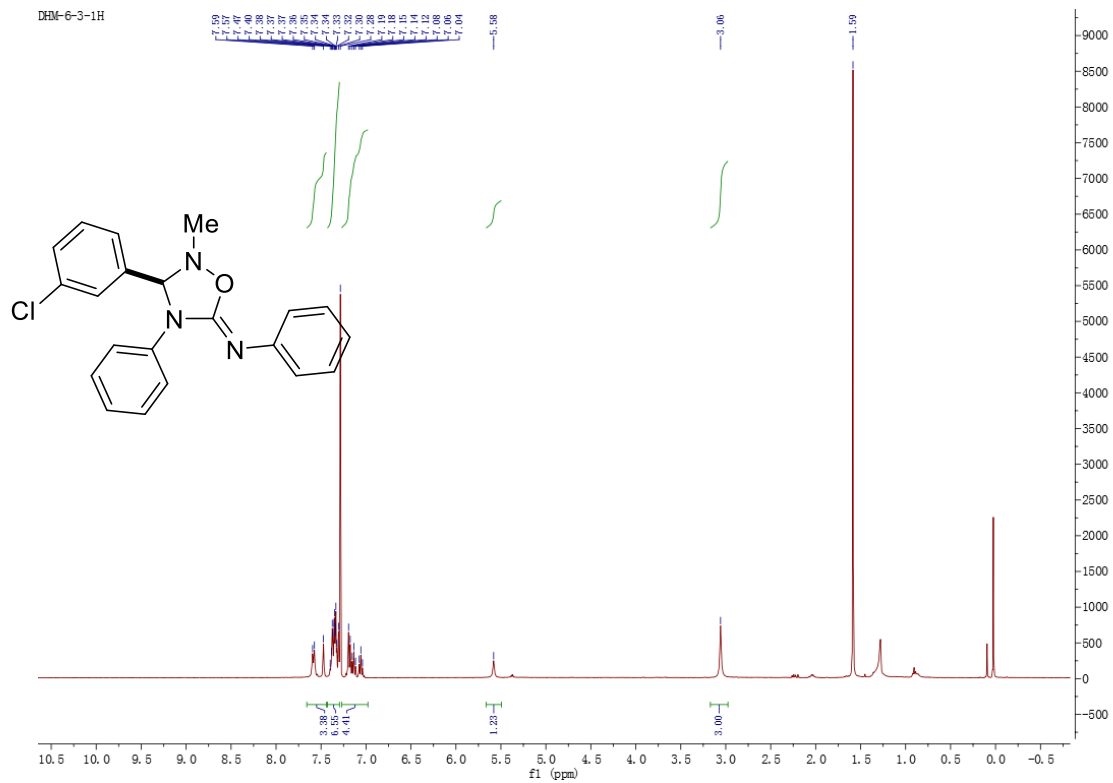


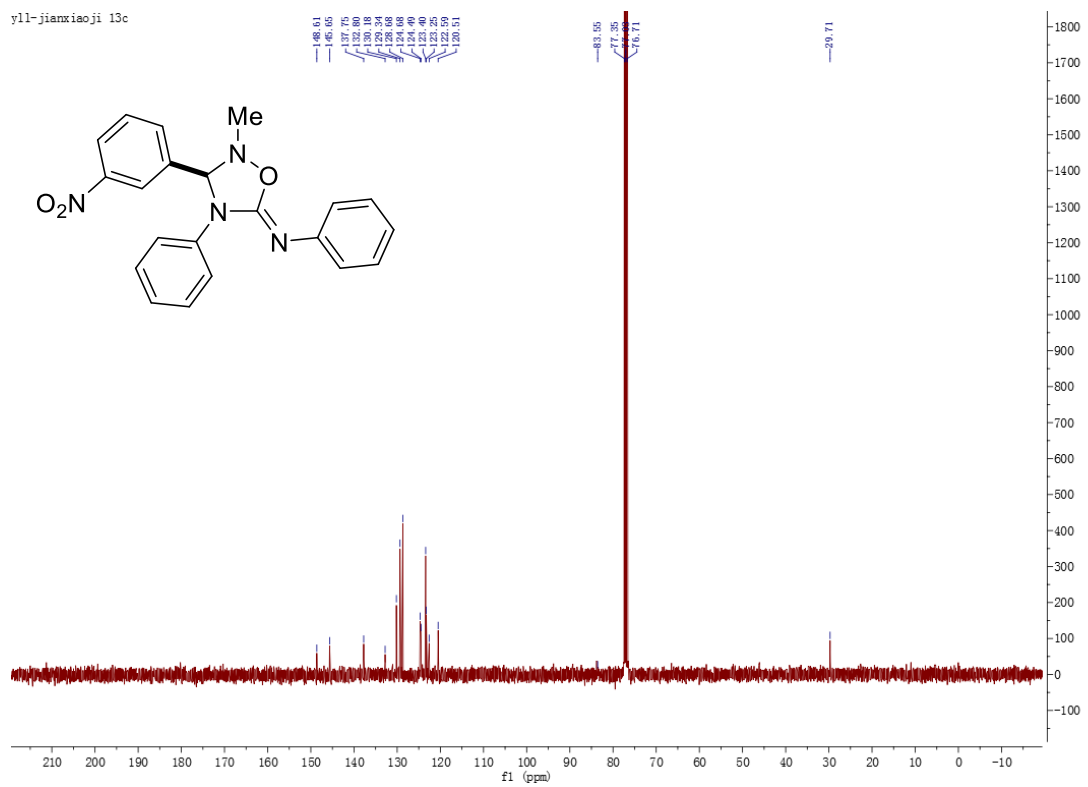
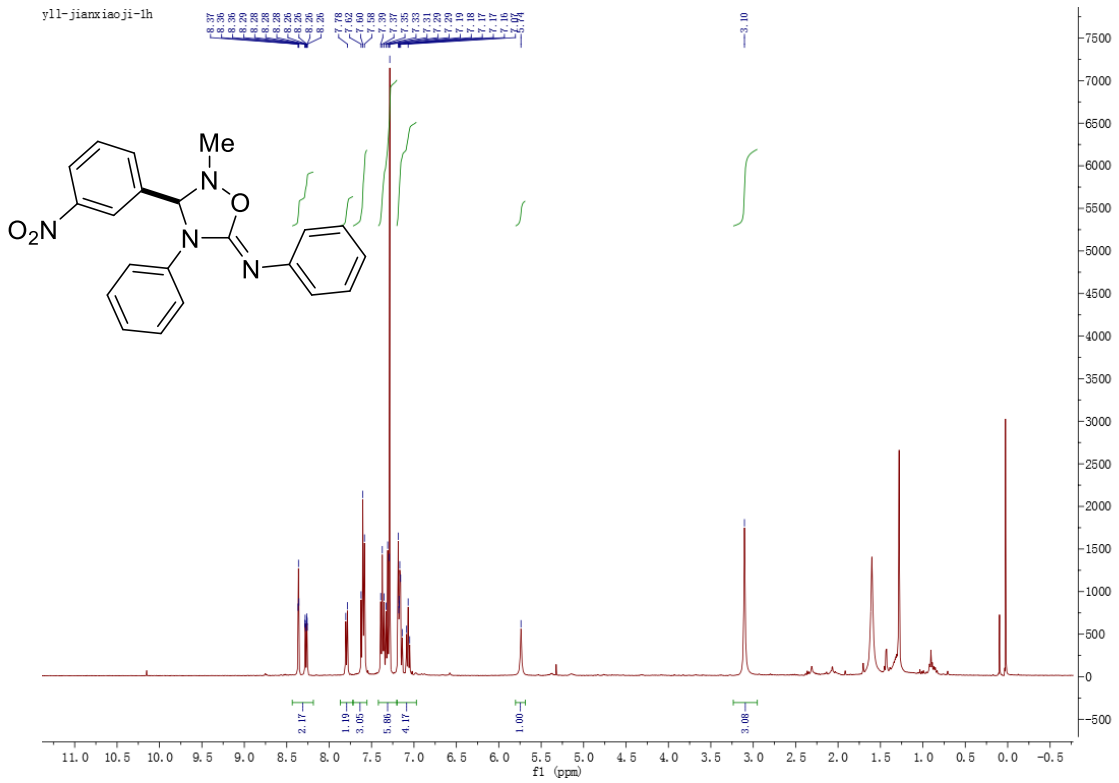
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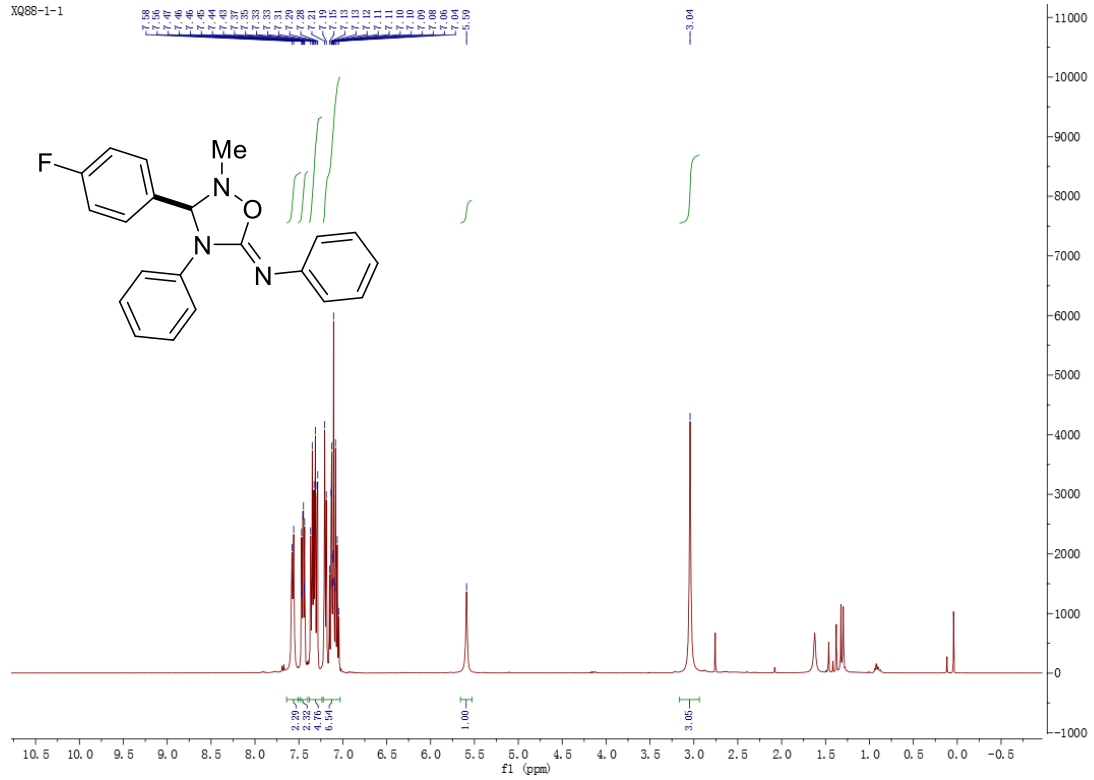




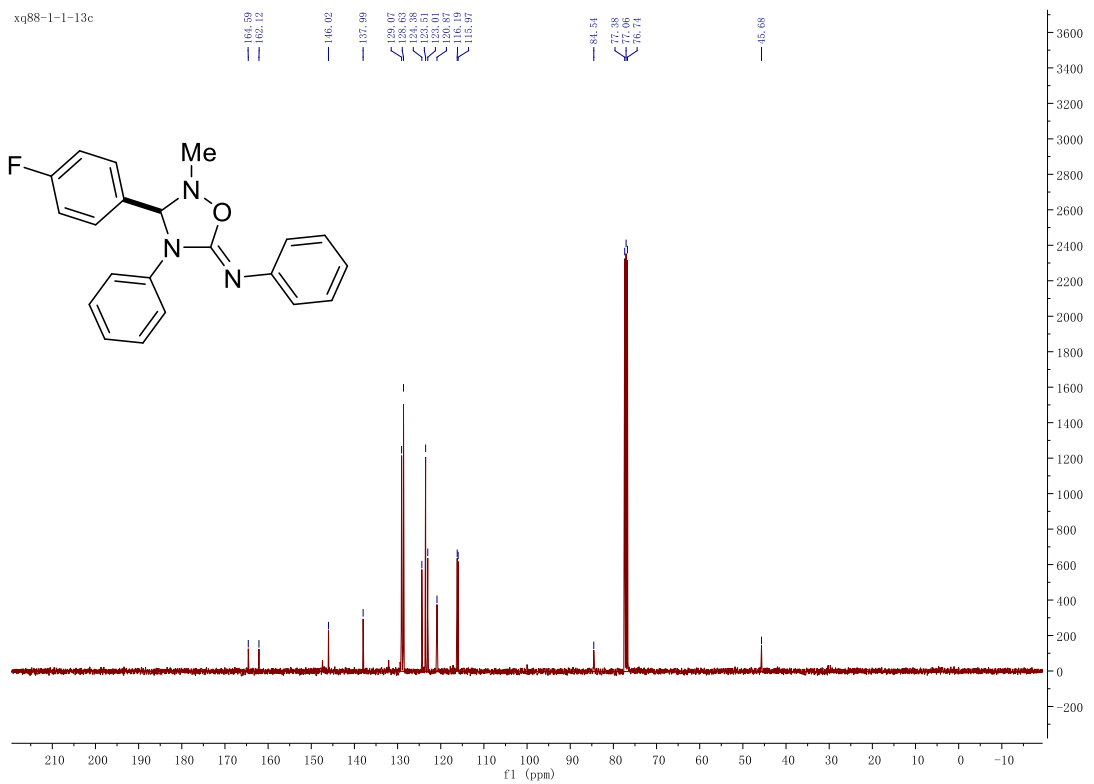




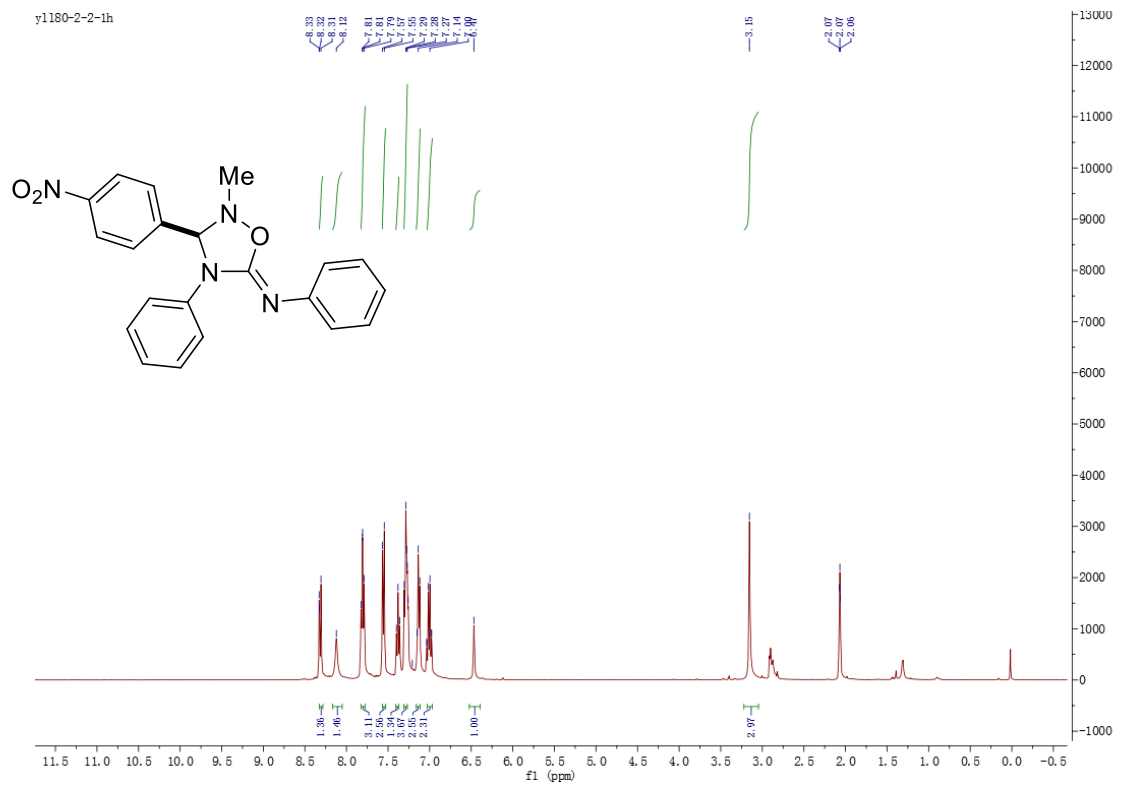
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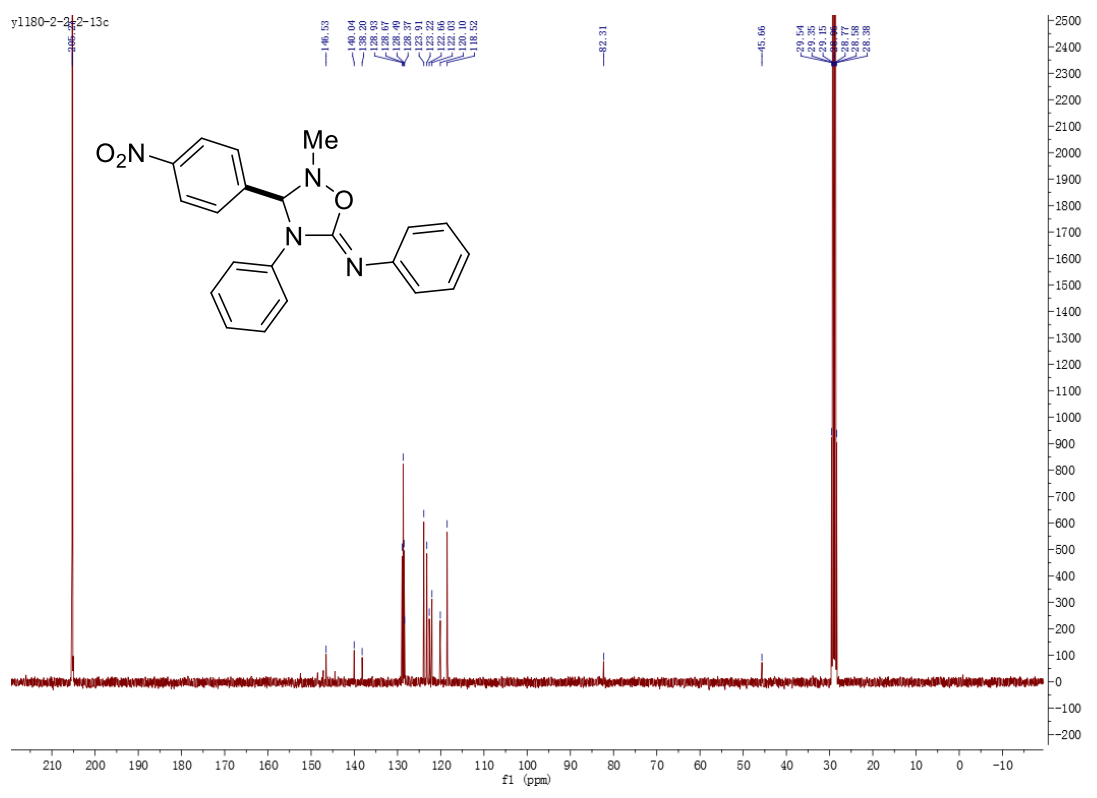
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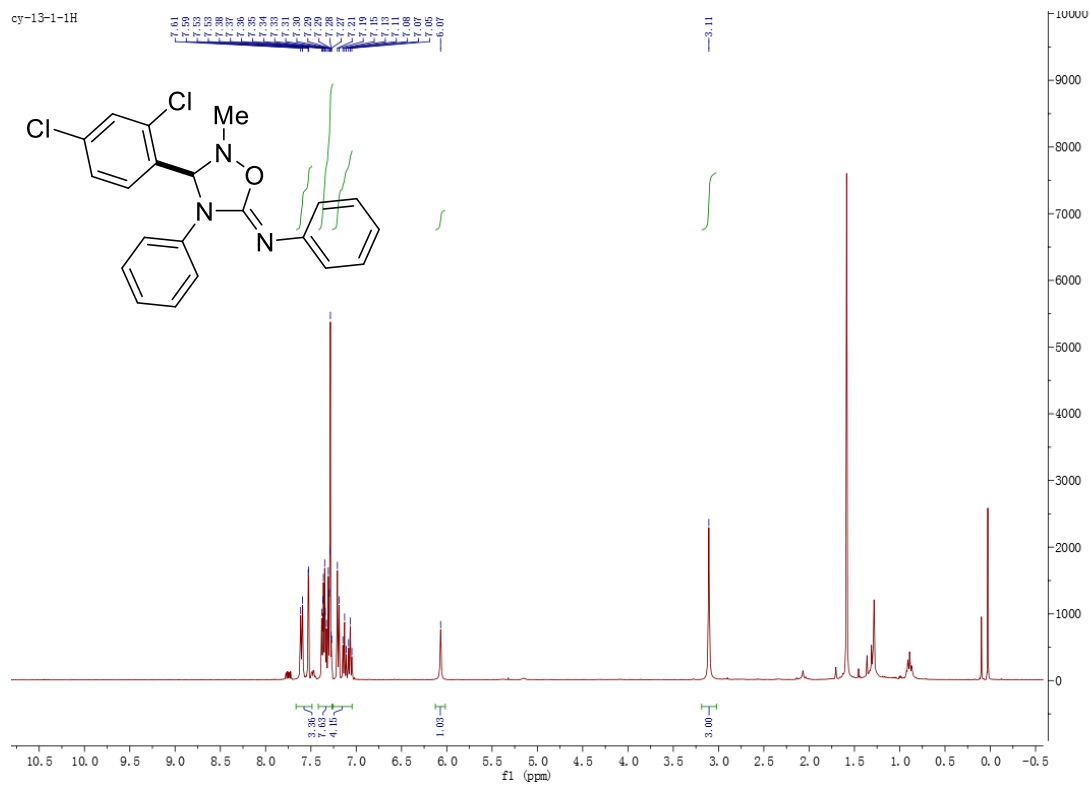
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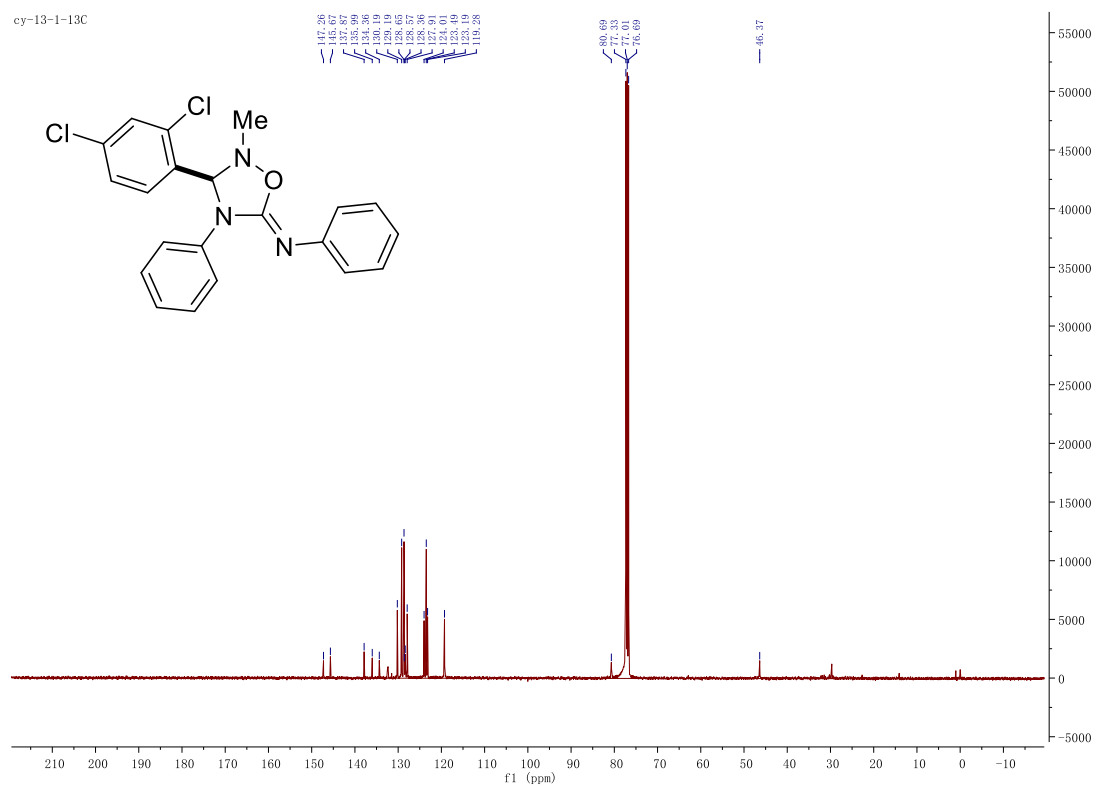
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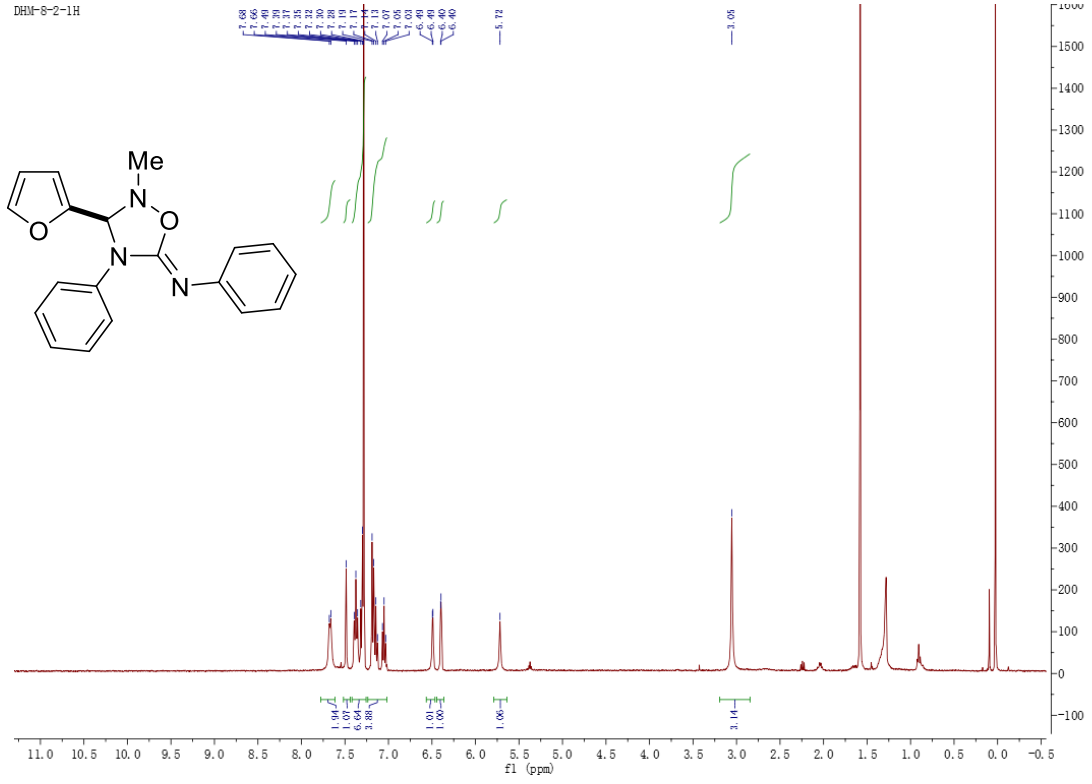
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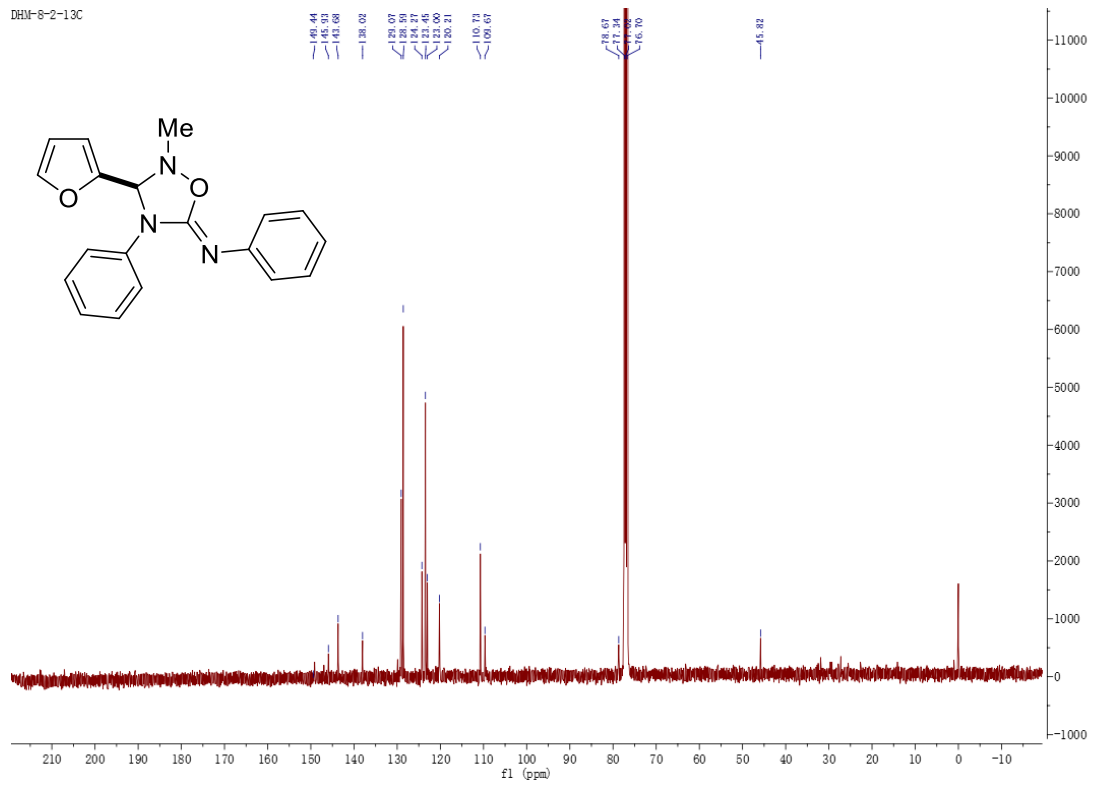
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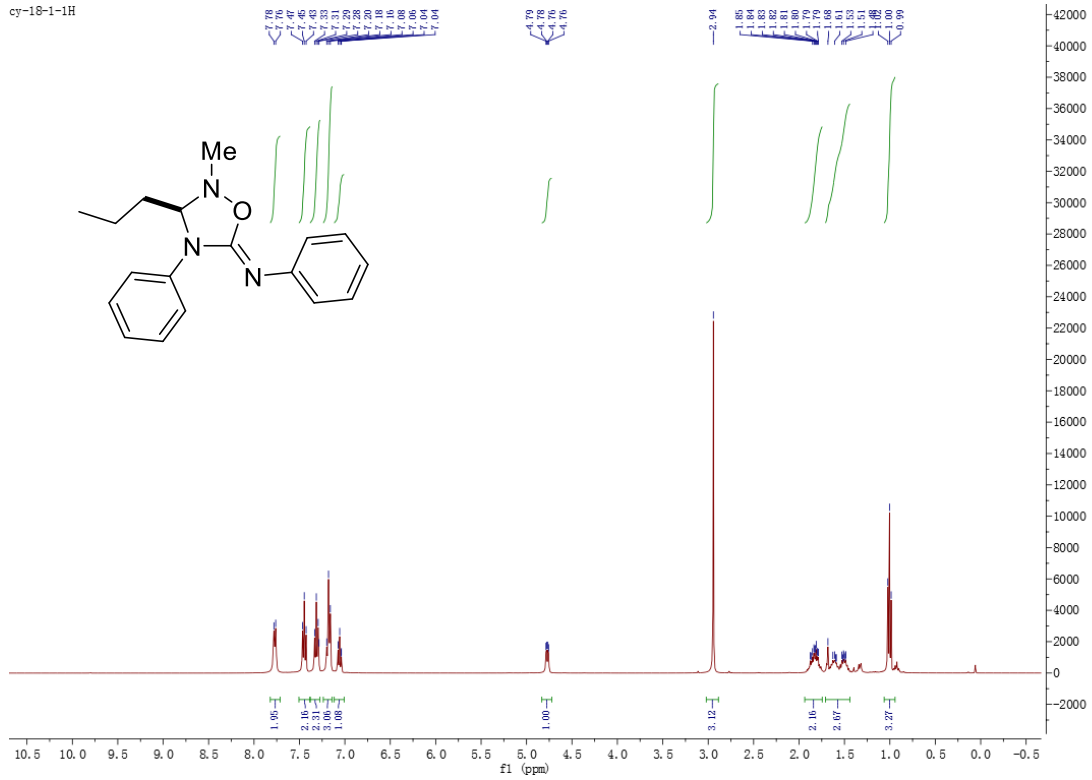
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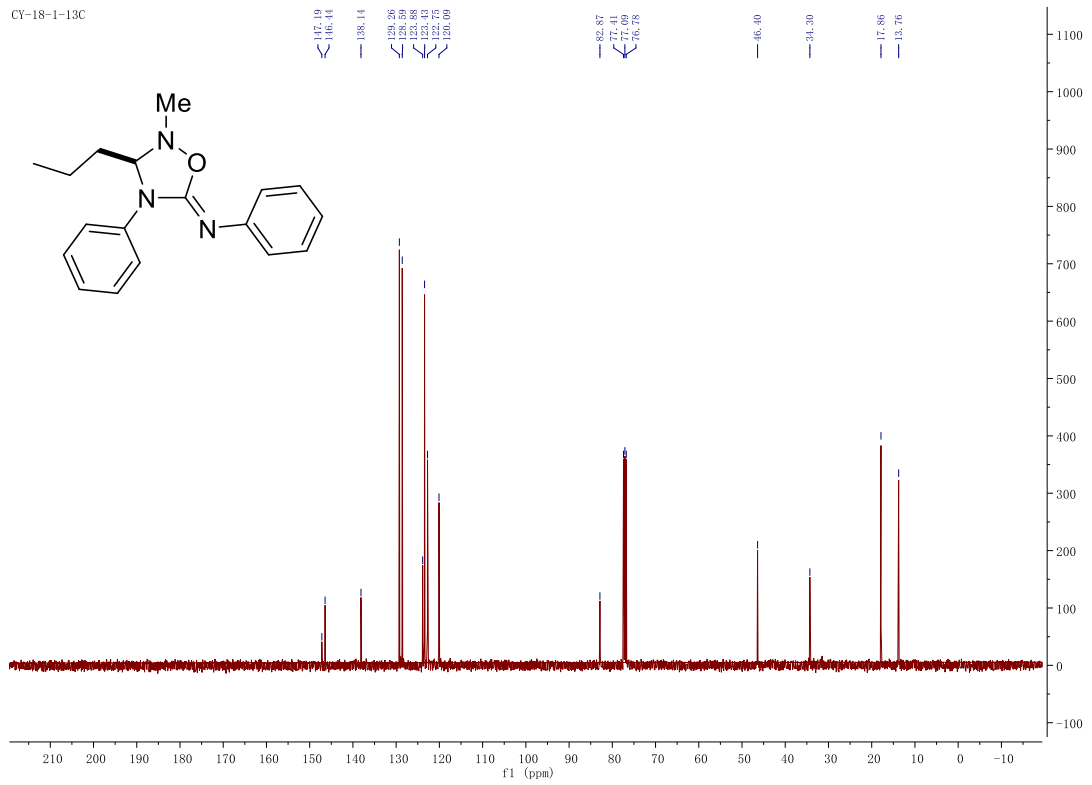
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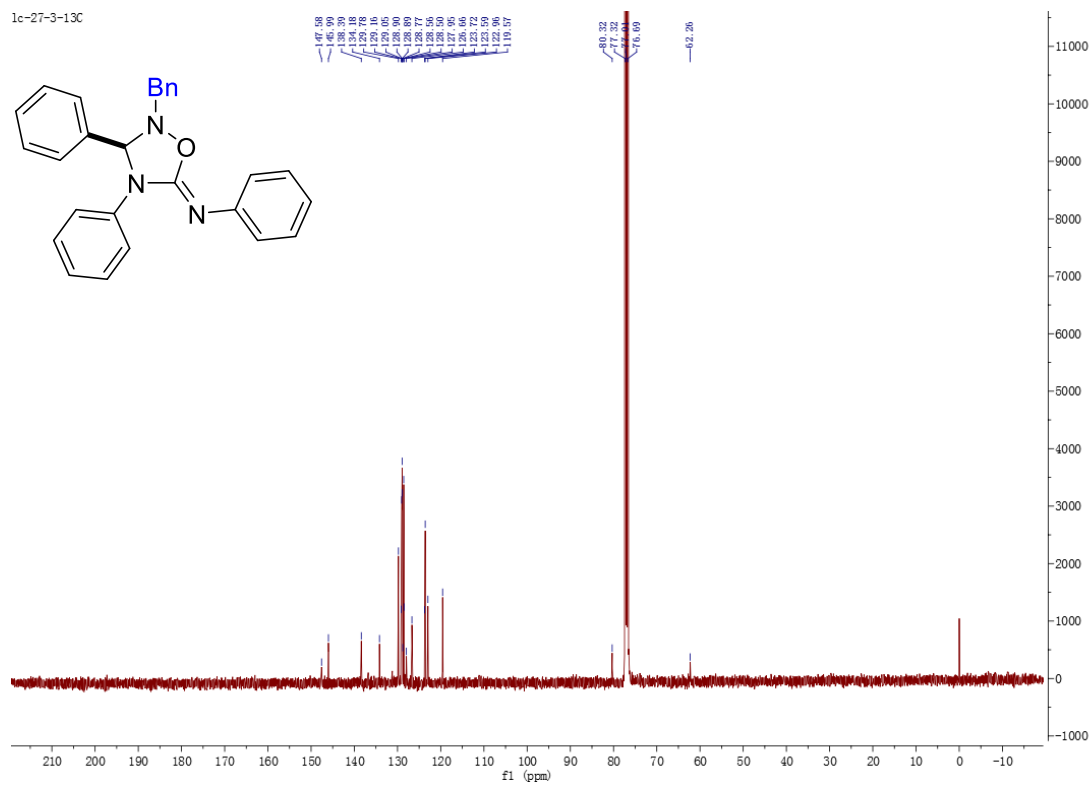
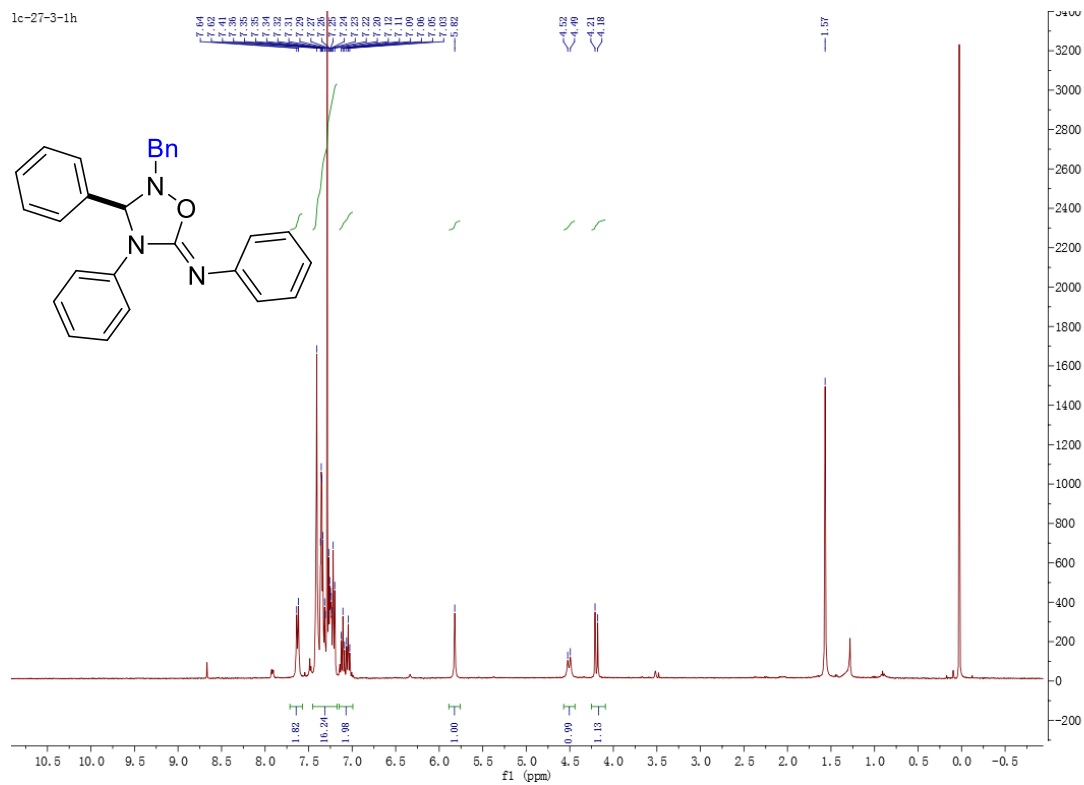


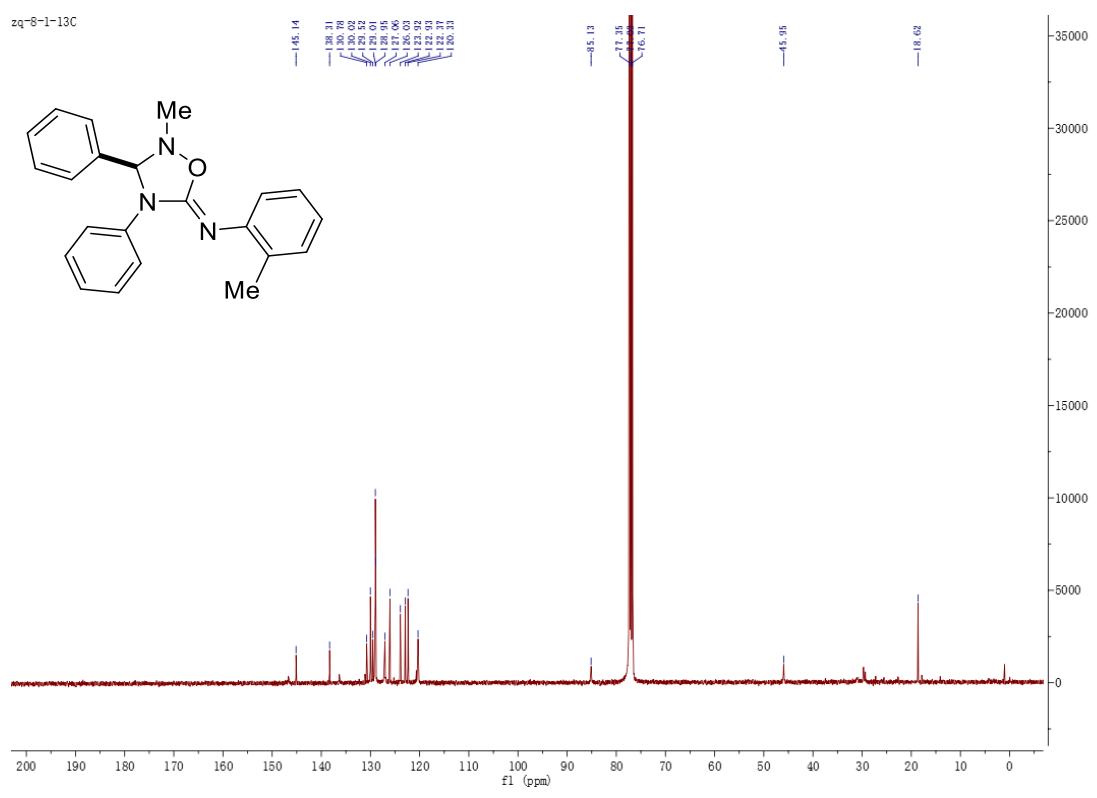
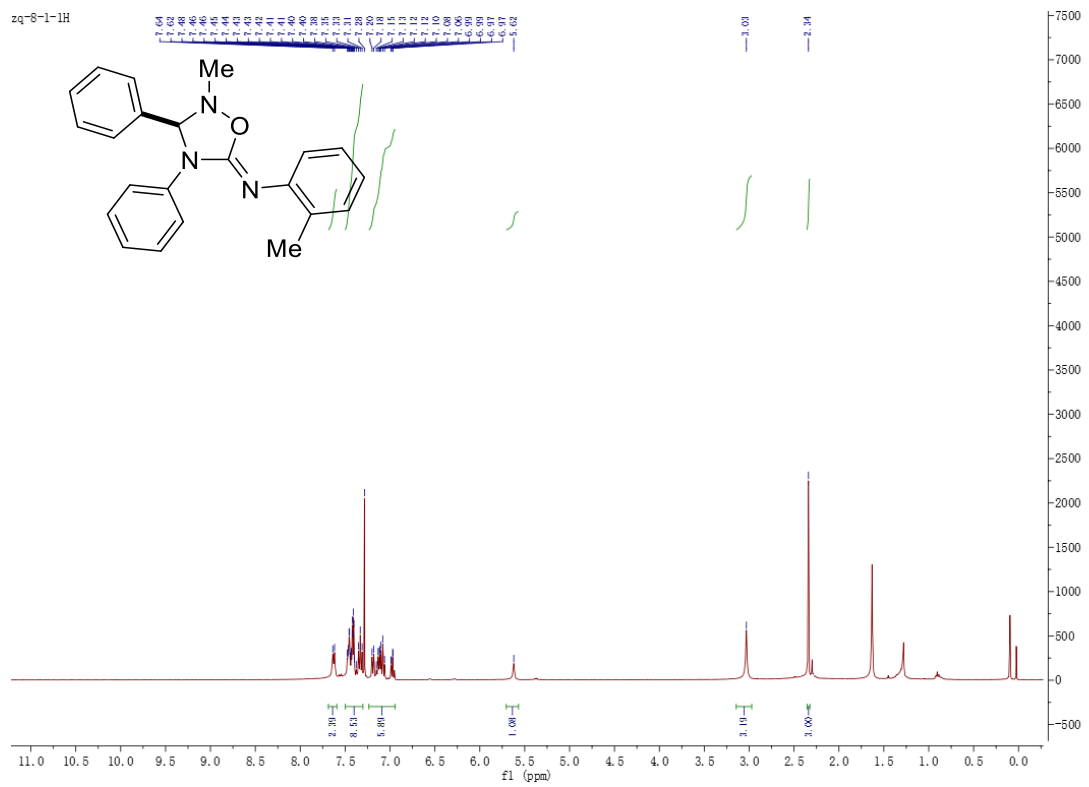
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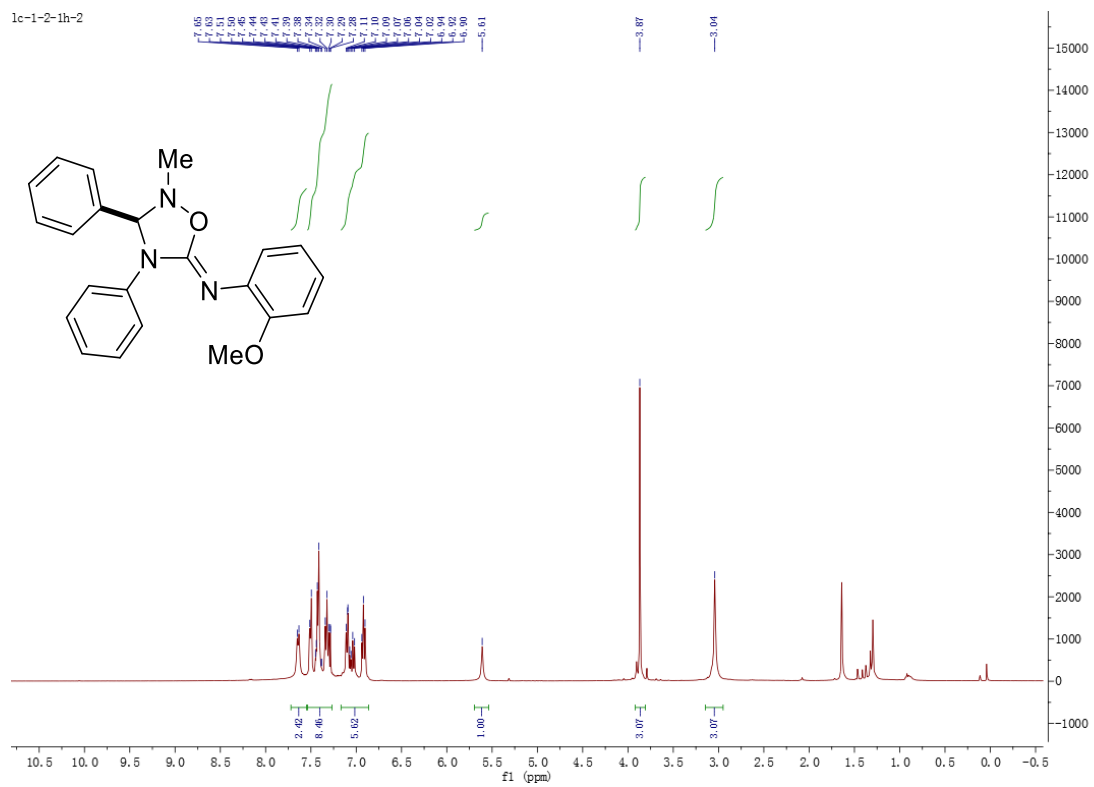
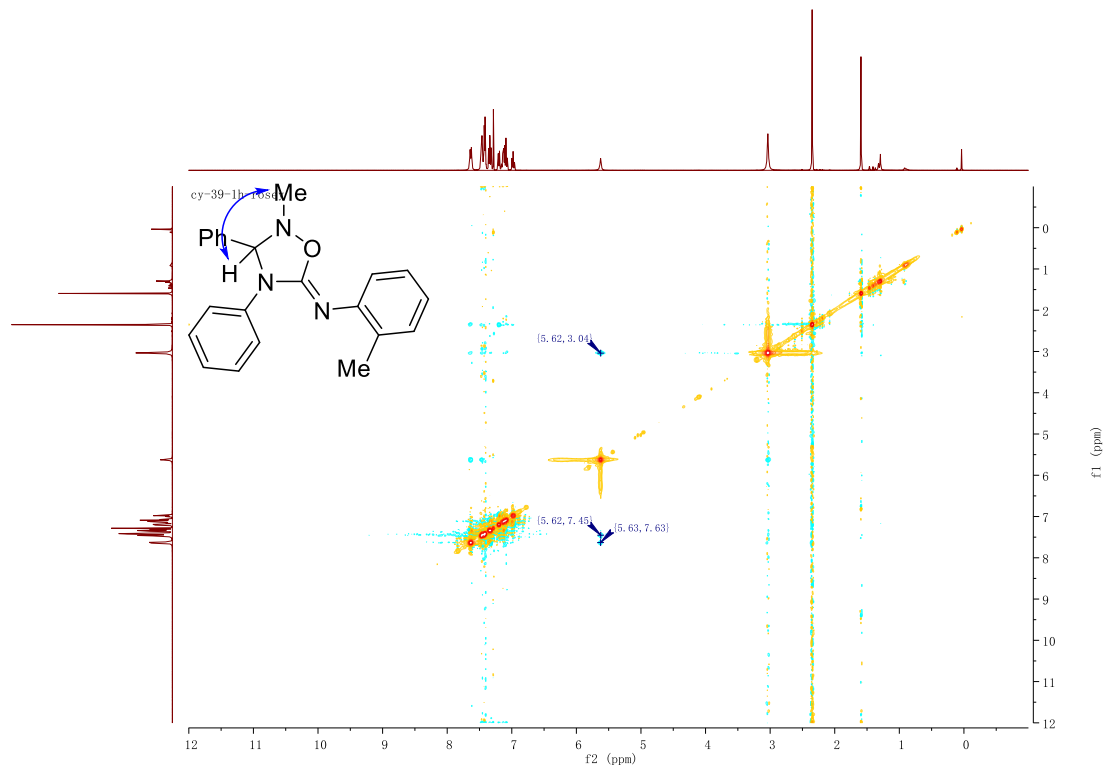


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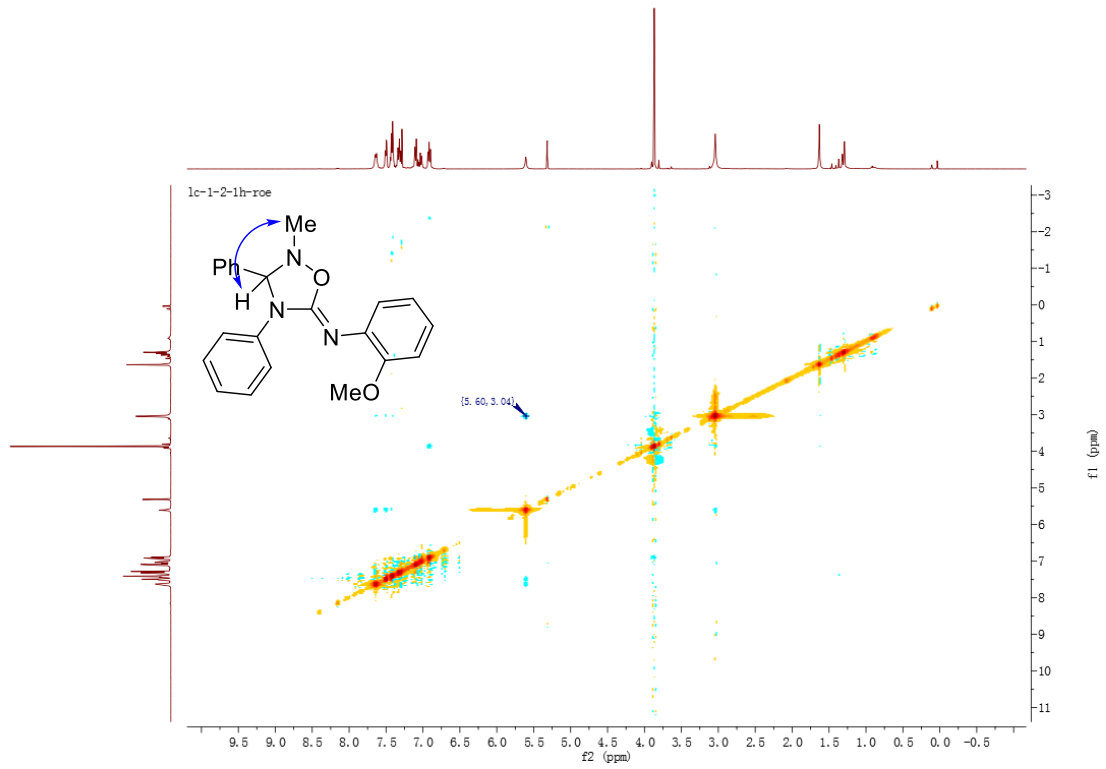
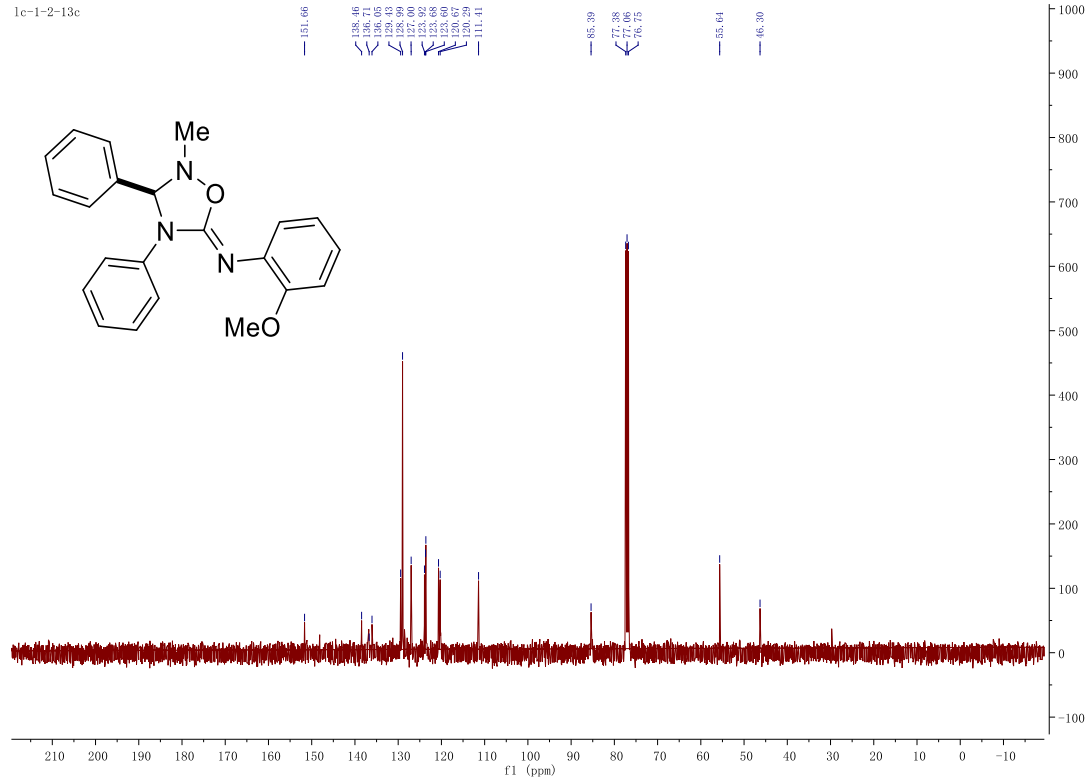


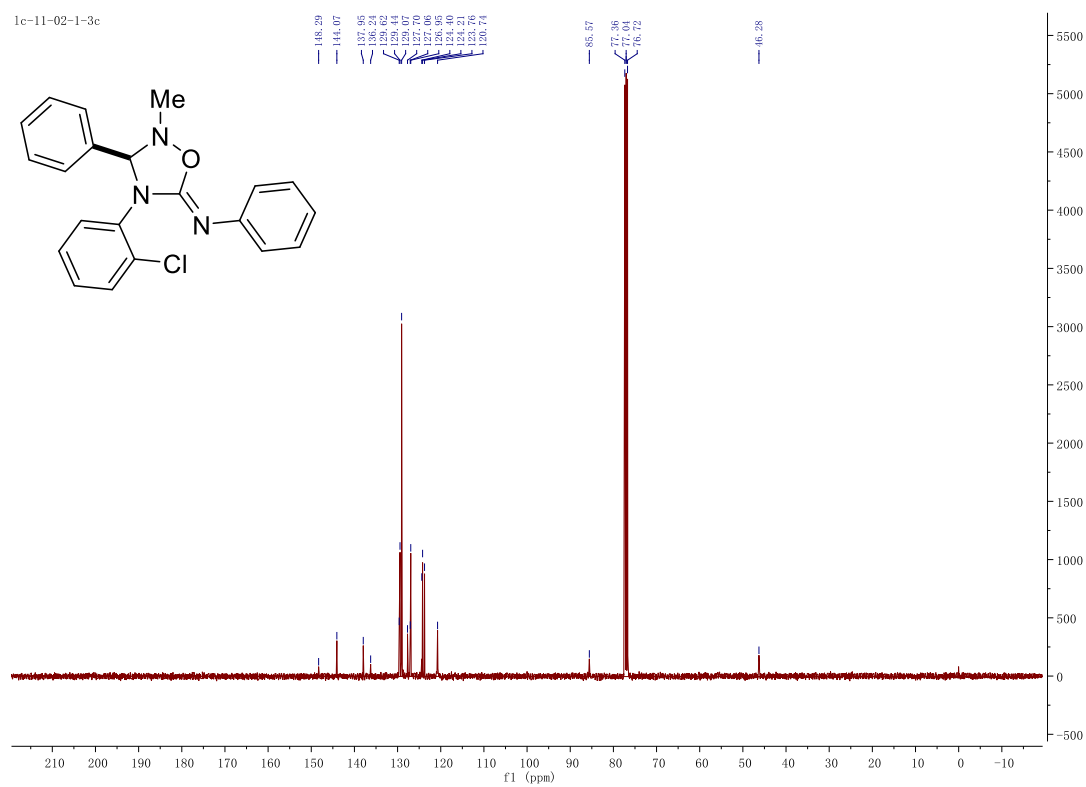
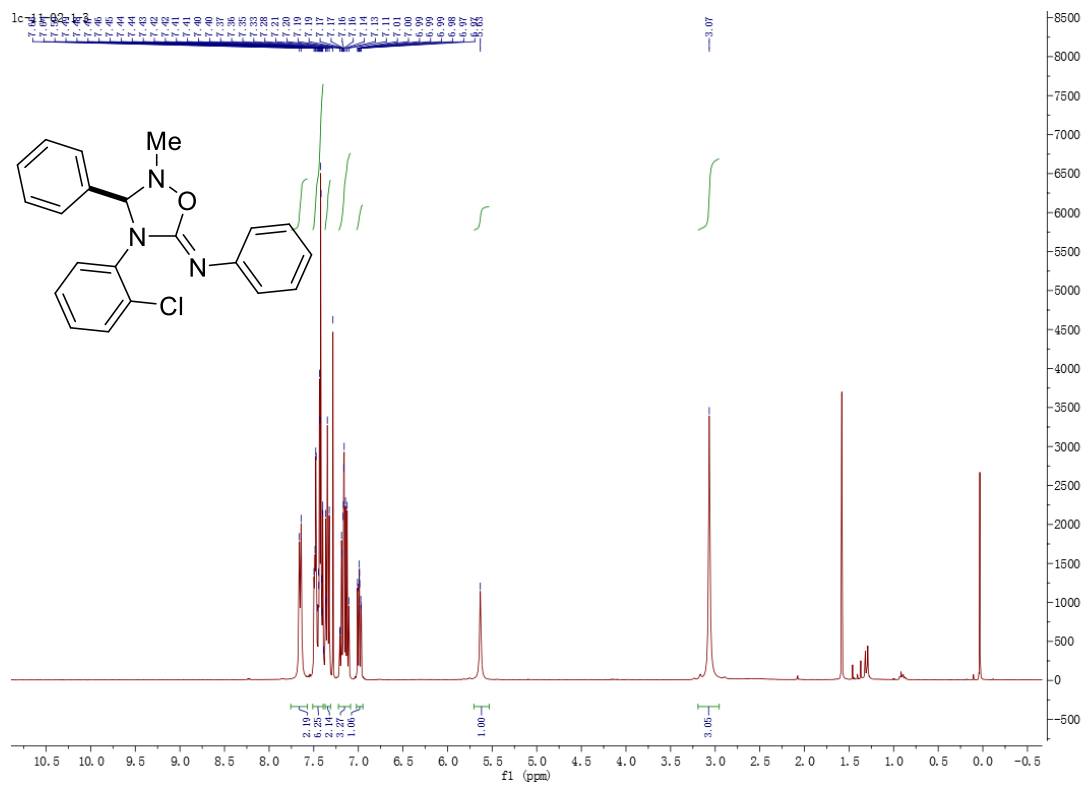




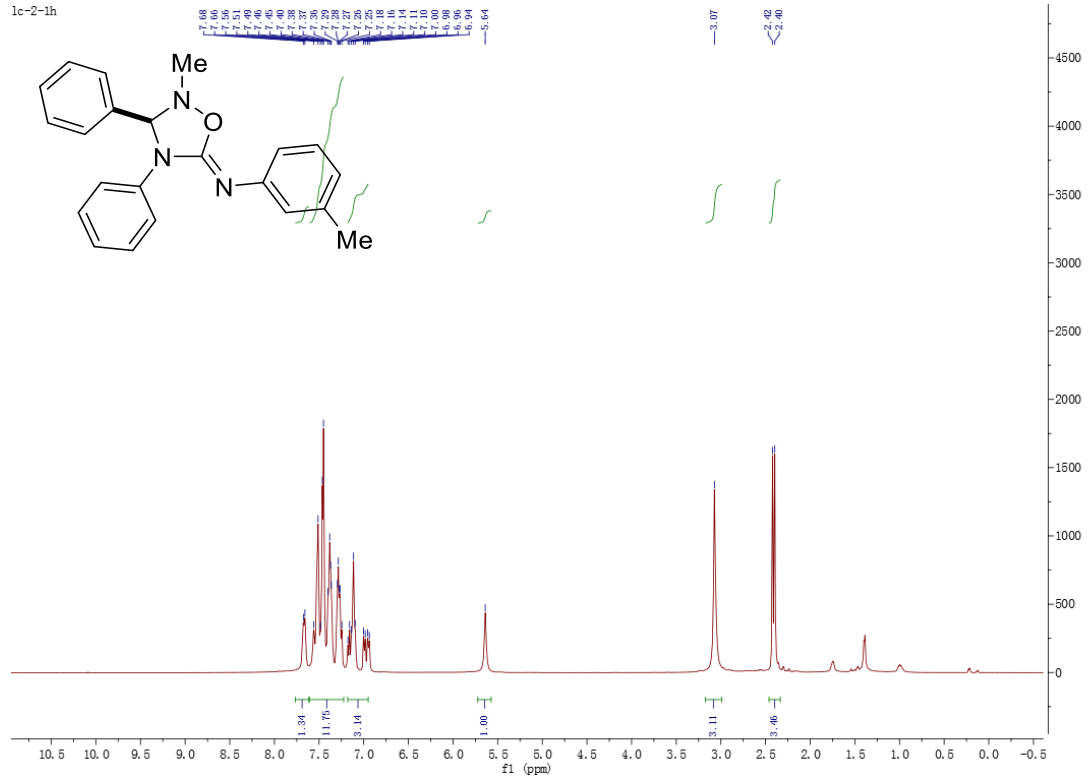


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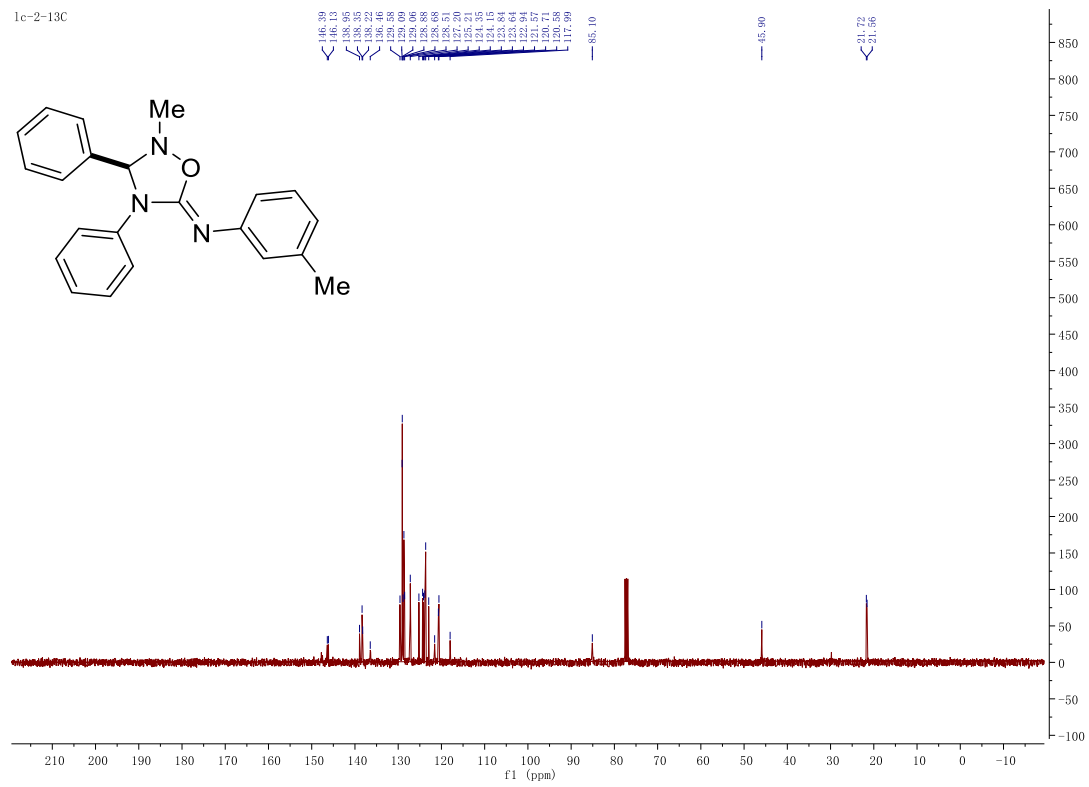


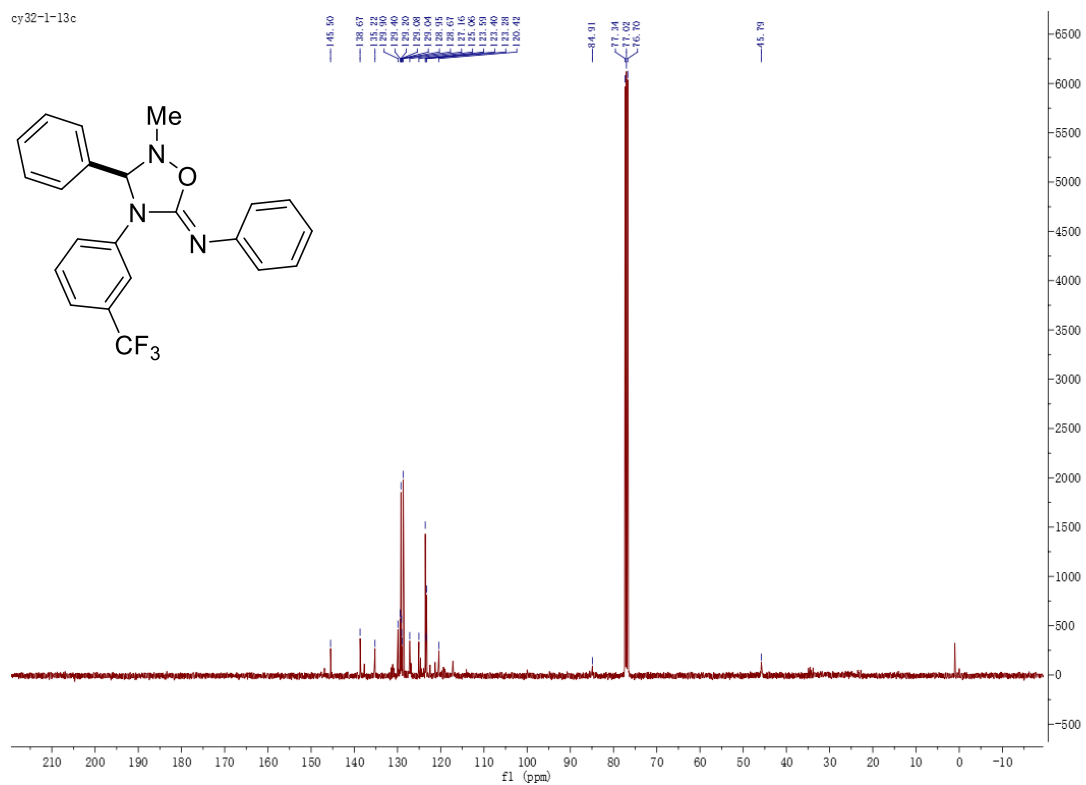
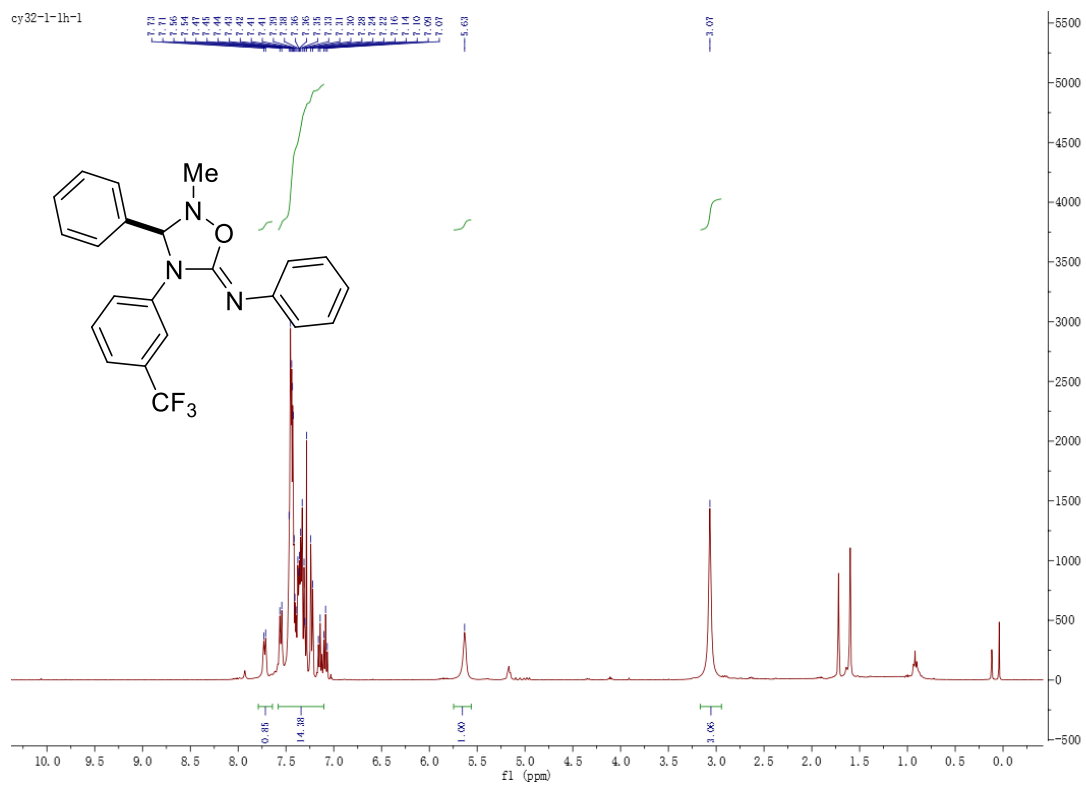


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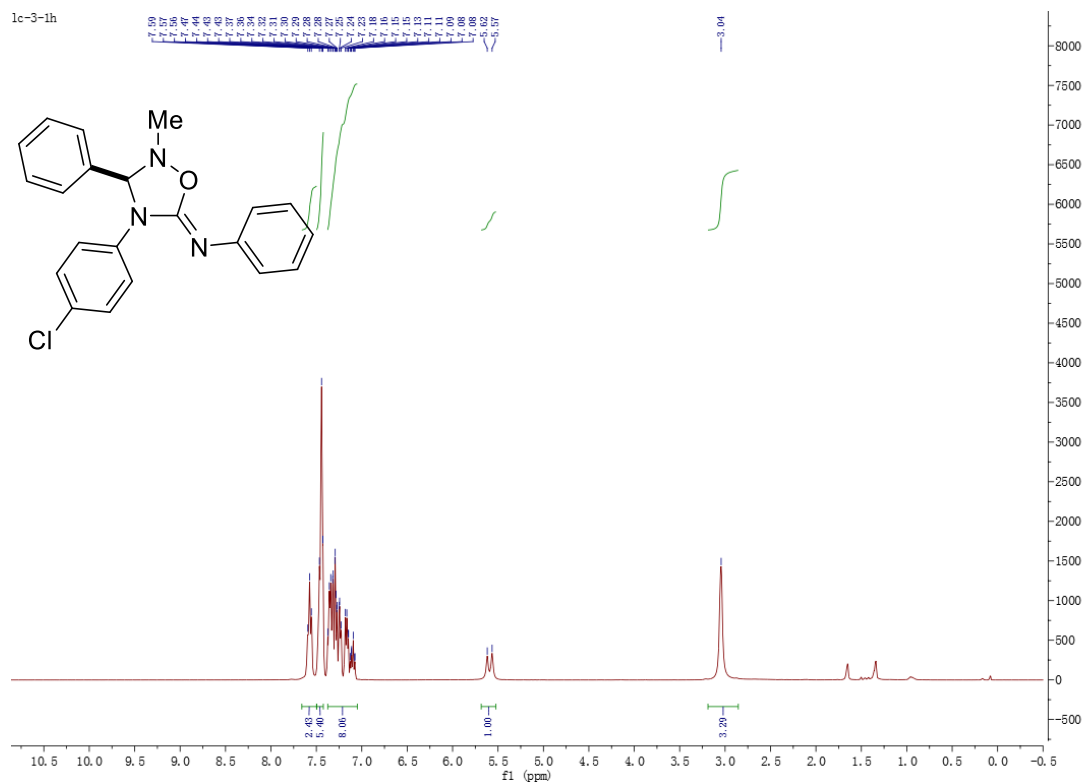


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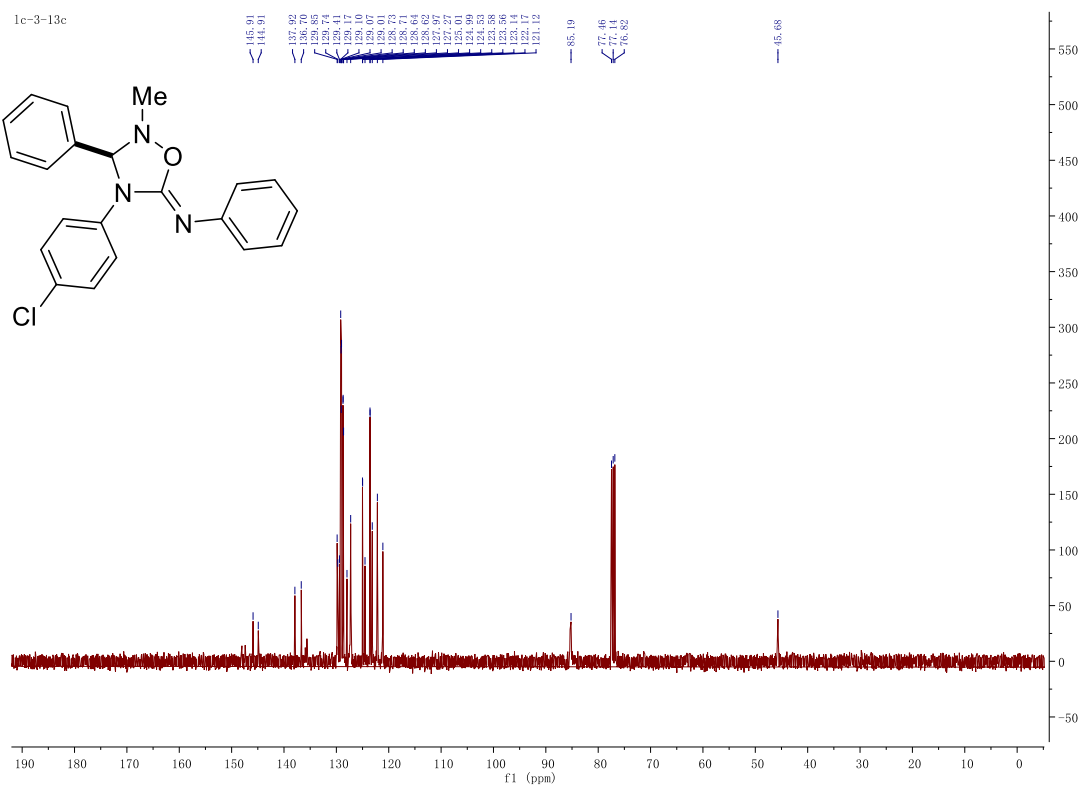


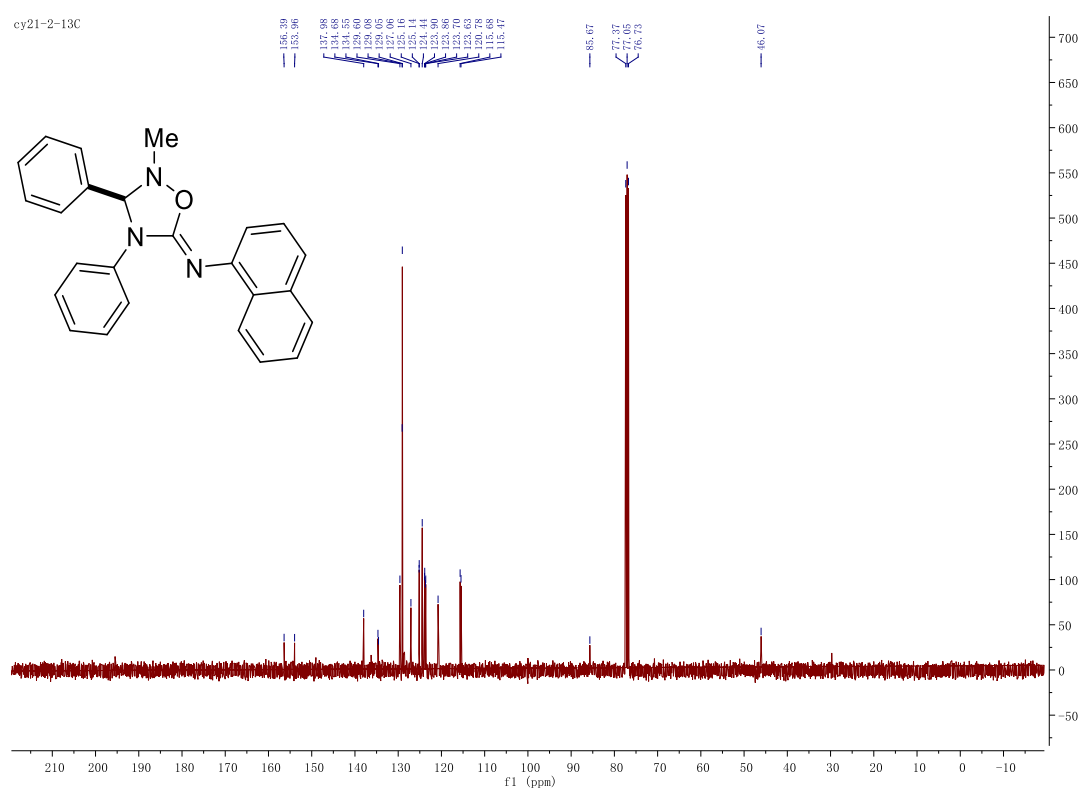
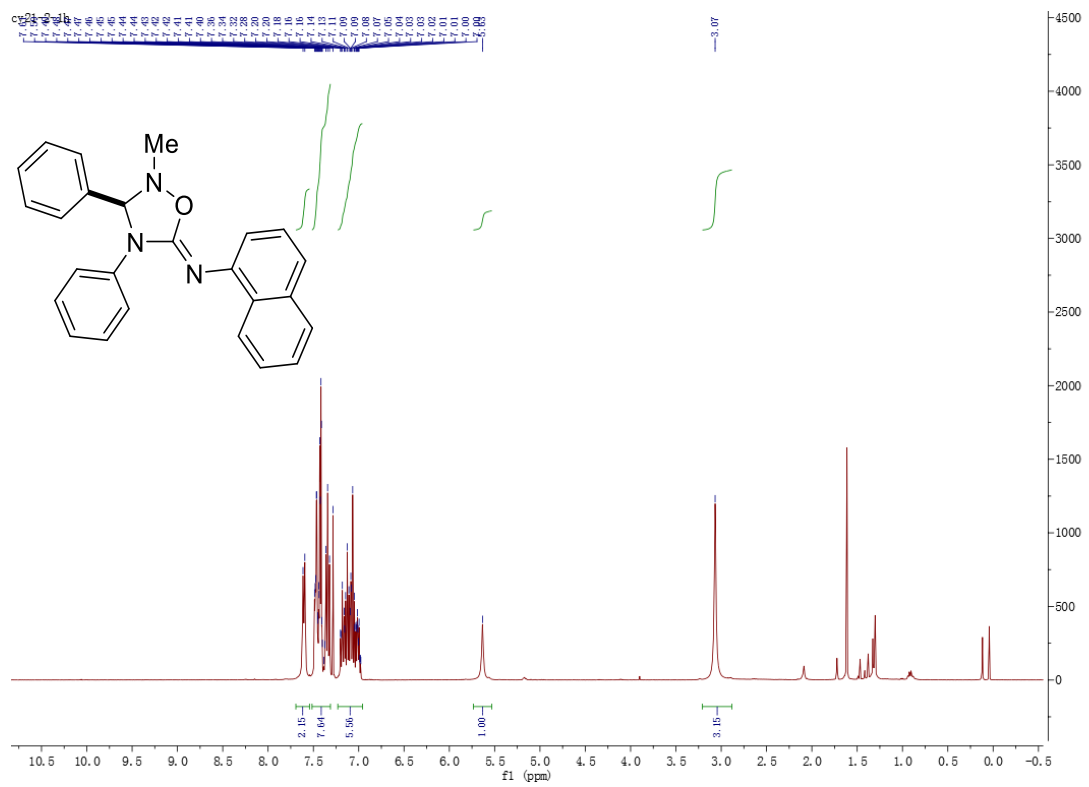


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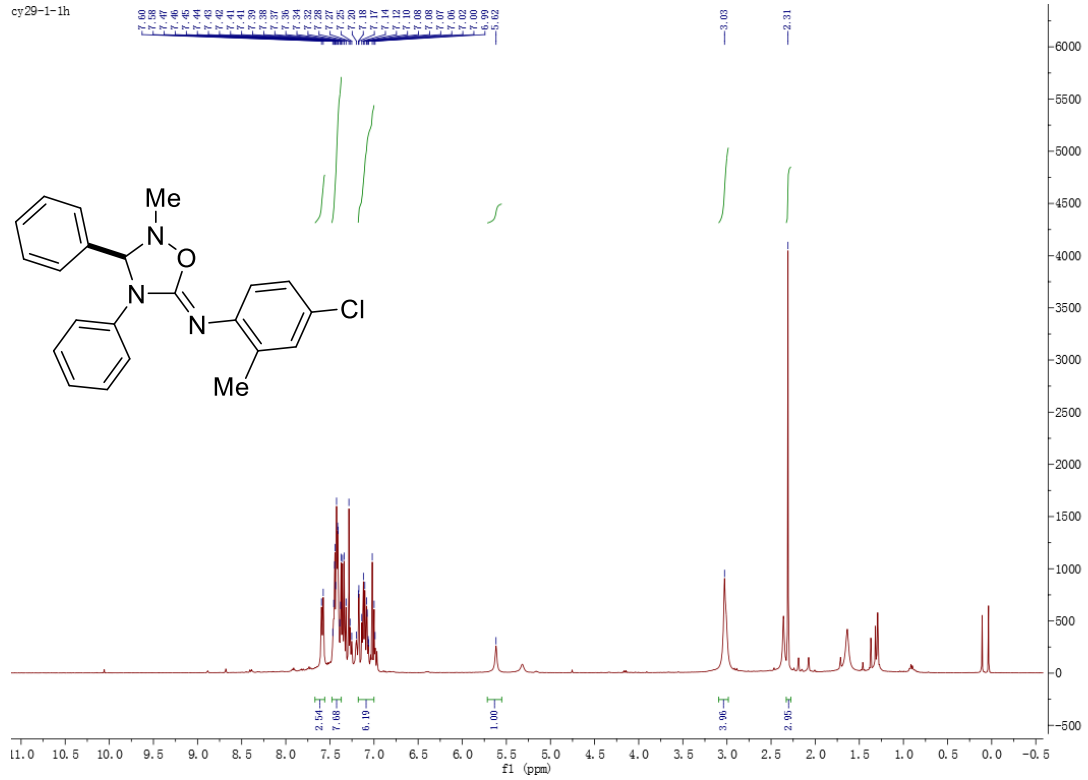


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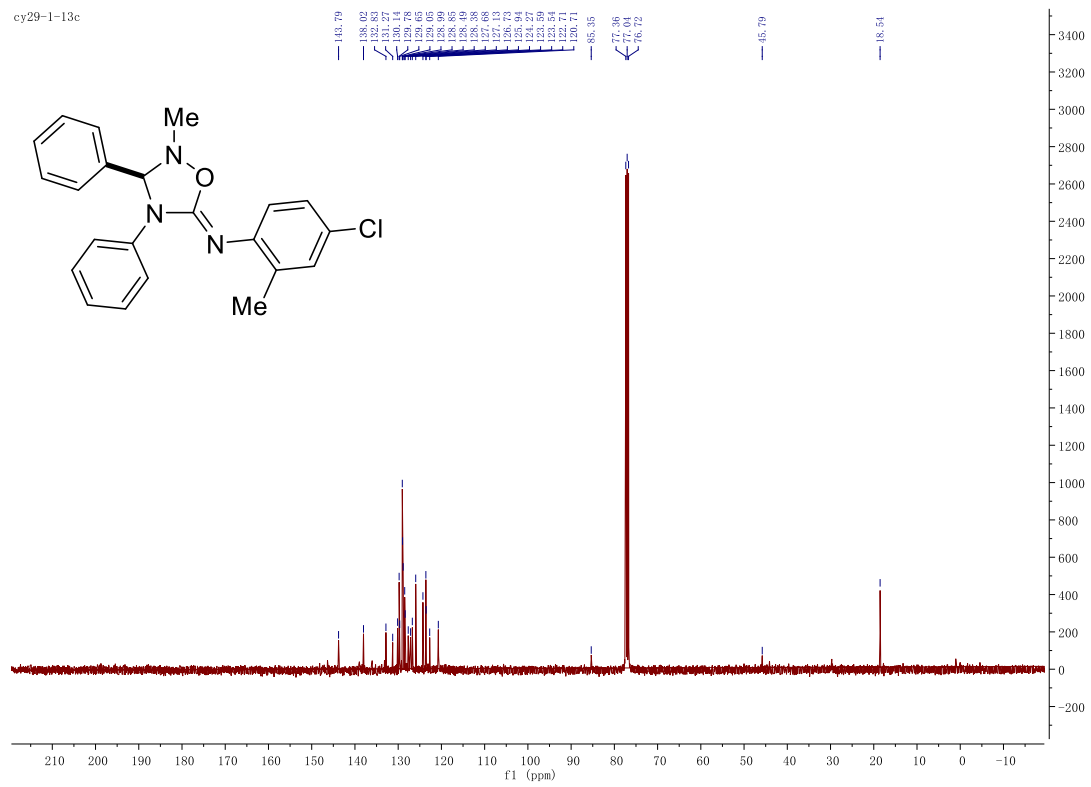




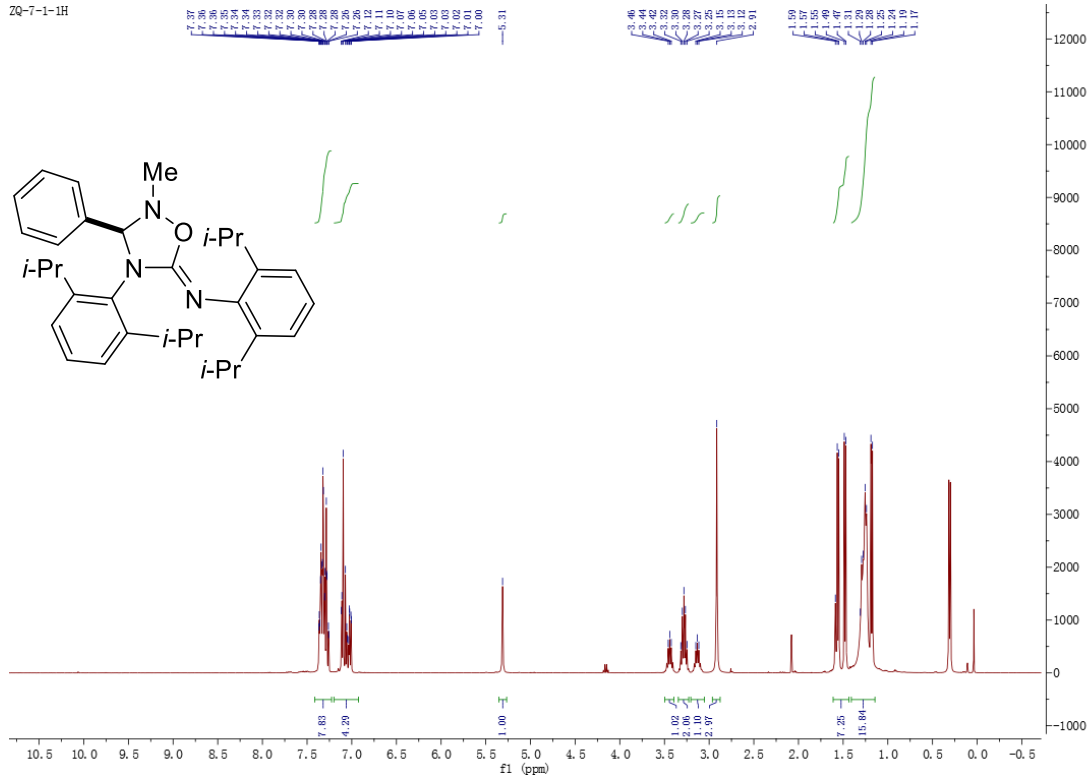
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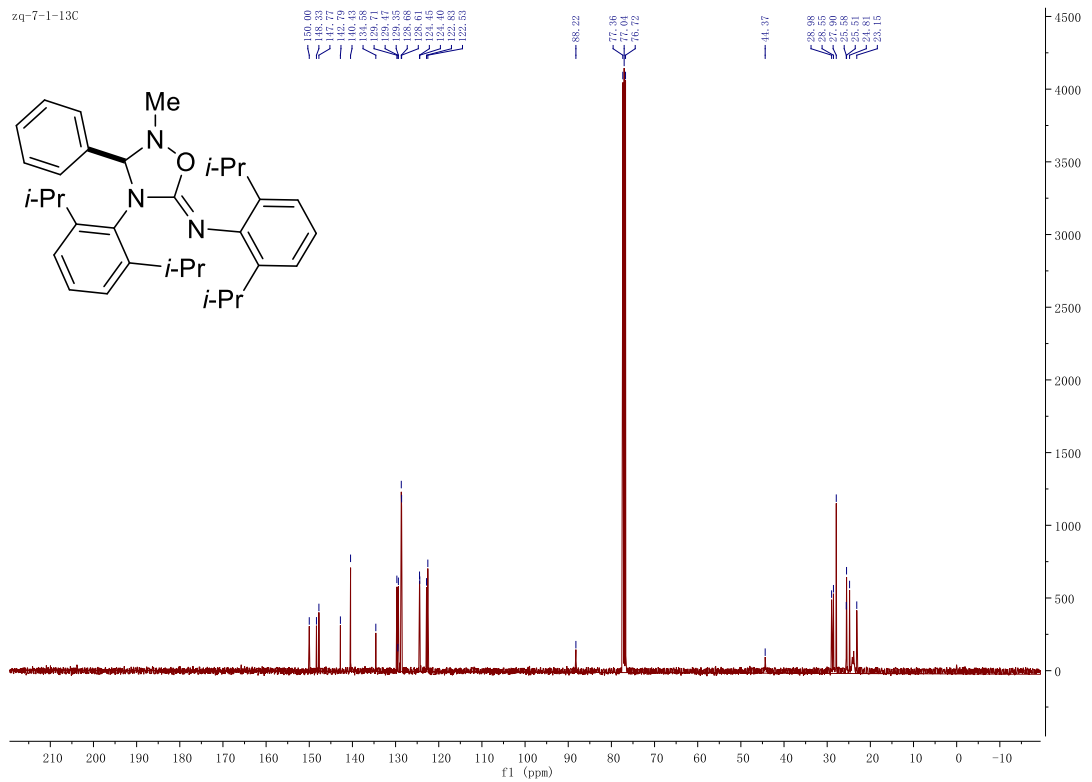
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