

Supporting Information

Synergistic Palladium/Enamine Catalysis for Asymmetric Hydrocarbon Functionalization of Unactivated Alkenes with Ketones

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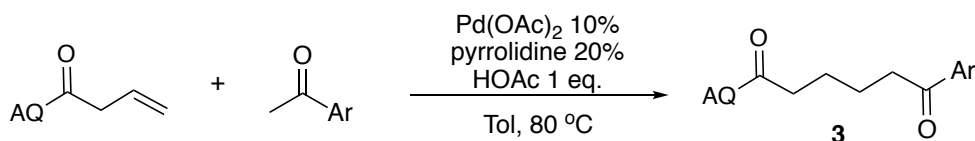
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I. General Methods and Materials

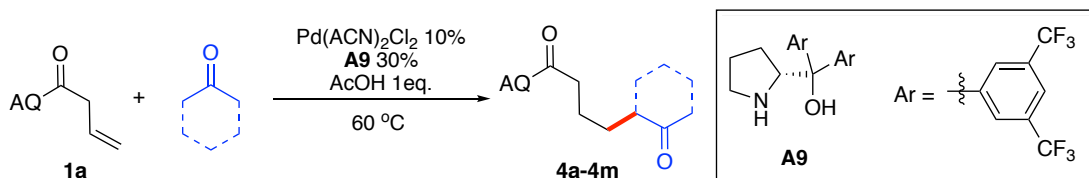
All of the reactions dealing with air and/or moisture-sensitive compounds were carried out under an atmosphere of argon using oven/flame-dried glassware and standard syringe/septa techniques. Unless otherwise noted, all commercial reagents and solvents were obtained from the commercial provider and used without further purification. ^1H NMR and ^{13}C NMR spectra were recorded on Varian 400 MHz spectrometers. Chemical shifts were reported relative to internal tetramethylsilane (δ 0.00 ppm) or CDCl_3 (δ 7.26 ppm) or DMSO (2.50 ppm) for ^1H and CDCl_3 (δ 77.16 ppm), DMSO (40.00 ppm) for ^{13}C . Flash column chromatography was performed on 230-430 mesh silica gel. Analytical thin layer chromatography was performed with precoated glass baked plates (250 μ) and visualized by fluorescence and by charring after treatment with potassium permanganate stain. HRMS were recorded on Agilent 6540 LC/QTOF spectrometer.

1.1 General procedure to synthesize 3a-3n:



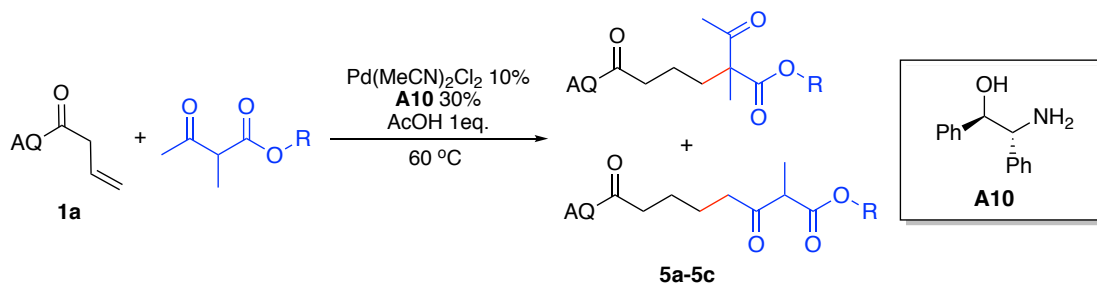
An oven-dried vial was charged with Pd(OAc)₂ (10 mol%, 0.02 mmol), HOAc (1 equiv., 0.2 mmol), ketone (3 equiv., 0.6 mmol) and pyrrolidine (20 mol%, 0.04 mmol). The vial was placed under vacuum and charged with Ar. Alkene (**1a**) (1 equiv., 0.2 mmol), and toluene (1M, 0.2 mL) was added into the vial sequentially under Ar atmosphere. The reaction was run under 80 °C and monitored by TLC. Once the reaction completed, the solvent was removed under vacuum, and the resulting crude mixture was loaded on a silica gel column directly and purified by flash chromatography to give desired product.

1.2 General procedure to synthesize 4a-4l:



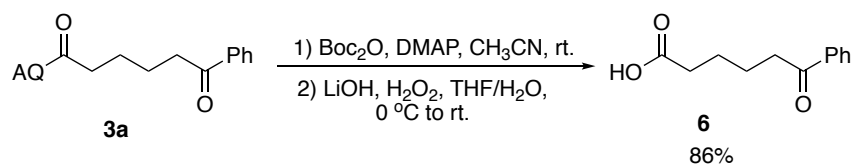
An oven-dried vial was charged with Pd(MeCN)₂Cl₂ (10 mol%, 0.02 mmol), HOAc (1 equiv., 0.2 mmol), ketone (4 equiv., 0.8 mmol) and **A9** (30 mol%, 0.06 mmol). The vial was placed under vacuum and charged with Ar. Alkene (**1a**) (1 equiv., 0.2 mmol) was added into the vial sequentially under Ar atmosphere. The reaction was run under 60 °C and monitored by TLC. Once the reaction completed, the crude mixture was loaded on a silica gel column directly and purified by flash chromatography to give desired product.

1.3 General procedure to synthesize 5a-5c:



An oven-dried vial was charged with Pd(MeCN)₂Cl₂ (10 mol%, 0.02 mmol), HOAc (1 equiv., 0.2 mmol), ketone ester (3 equiv., 0.6 mmol) and **A10** (30 mol %, 0.6 mmol). The vial was placed under vacuum and charged with Ar. Alkene (**1a**) (1 equiv., 0.2 mmol) was added into the vial sequentially under Ar atmosphere. The reaction was run under 60 °C and monitored by TLC. Once the reaction completed, the crude mixture was loaded on a silica gel column directly and purified by flash chromatography to give desired product.

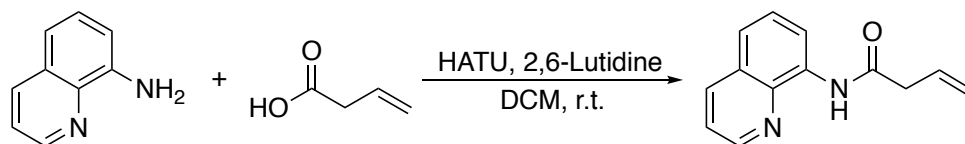
1.4 Removal of directing group:¹



An oven-dried flask was added compound **3a** (1 mmol), Boc₂O (4 equiv., 4 mmol), DMAP (1.5 equiv., 1.5 mmol), and dry acetonitrile (15 mL) then placed under vacuum and charged with Ar. The reaction was run under room temperature and monitored by TLC. Once the reaction completed, the crude mixture was purified by flash chromatography (Hexane: Ethyl Acetate = 3:1, R_f = 0.2) on silica gel and the product was used in the next step.

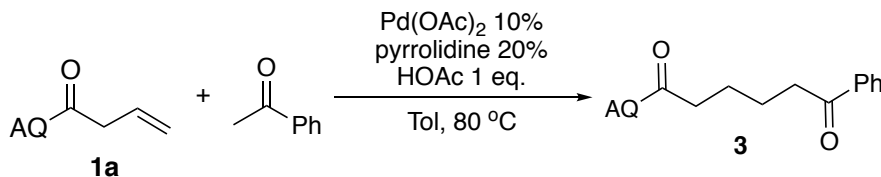
The product from the previous step was employed in THF/ H₂O (13 mL : 4.5 mL) and cooled to 0 °C, followed by the addition of LiOH (1.1 eq.) and H₂O₂ (9 eq.). The reaction was run at 0 °C until the reaction was done, then Na₂S₂O₃ solution (aq., 1.5 M, 10 mL) was added. The solution was washed with DCM 20 mL twice. The aqueous phase was extracted with EA (25 mL) three times. The organic phase was combined, washed with brine (20 mL) and dried with Na₂SO₄, then the solvent was evaporated under vacuum. The crude mixture was purified by flash chromatography (EA : Hexanes = 3:1, R_f = 0.32) to give the desired product **6** with 86% overall yield for two steps.

1.5 Synthesis of N(quinolin-8-yl)but-3-enamide **1a**:



8-Aminoquinoline (10 mmol), vinyl acetic acid (1.3 eq., 13 mmol), and DCM (30 mL) were added in a 100 mL round bottom flask. 2,6-Lutidine (2 eq., 20 mmol) and HATU (1.3 eq., 1.3 mmol) were charged sequentially at r.t. The reaction was monitored by TLC. Upon the reaction completed, H₂O (80 mL) was added into the mixture and extracted by DCM (3*40 mL). The organic layer was combined, washed with sat. NaHCO₃ and brine, and then dried over Na₂SO₄. The solvent was evaporated under vacuum. The crude mixture was purified by flash chromatography (ethyl acetate: hexanes = 3:1) to give the desired product **1a** (1.87 g, 88% yield) as a yellow oil. The physical and spectroscopic data matched with literature.²

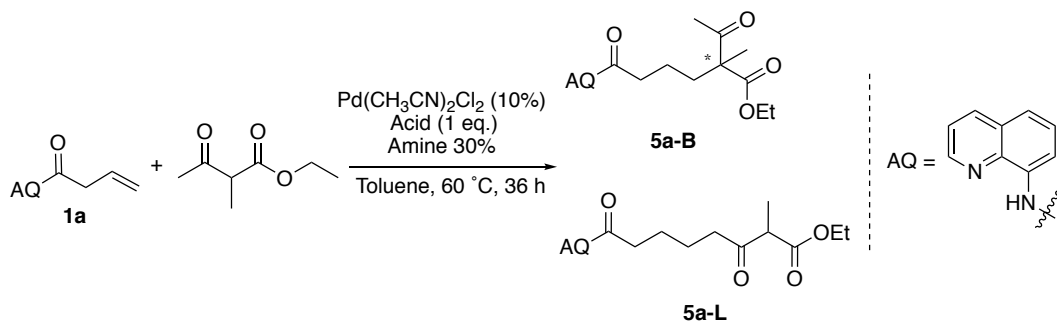
1.6 Gram-scale synthesis of **3a**:



An oven-dried 25mL round-bottom flask was charged with Pd(OAc)₂ (10 mol%, 92 mg, 0.41 mmol), HOAc (1 equiv., 0.24 mL, 4.1 mmol), alkene (**1a**) (1 equiv., 870 mg, 4.1 mmol), acetophenone (3 equiv., 1.48 g, 12.3 mmol), pyrrolidine (20 mol%, 68 μL, 0.82

mmol) and toluene (1M, 4.1 mL). The vial was placed under vacuum and charged with Ar. The reaction was run under 80 °C and monitored by TLC. Once the reaction completed, the solvent was evaporated by vacuum and the crude mixture was purified by flash chromatography (Hexane: Ethyl Acetate = 3:1) on silica gel to give desired product **3a** (1.27 g, 94%).

II. Extensive screening of catalysts for dicarbonyl compounds:^a

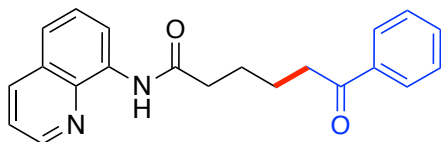


Entry	Acid	Amine/Ligand	Conv.	Yield	ee%	B/L
1	HOAc		52%	46%	<5%	86 : 14
2	HOAc		47%	43%	40%	50 : 50
3	HOAc		64%	61%	62%	47 : 53
4	HOAc		<10%	<10%	-	-
5			69%	63%	48%	43 : 57
6	HOAc (2 eq.)		62%	60%	52%	45 : 55
7 ^b	HOAc		100%	99%	63%	47 : 53
8	HOAc	MOX ligand ^c	74%	70%	12%	90 : 10
9	HOAc	and MOX ligand ^c	40%	39%	20%	74 : 26
10	HOAc	and s-BINAP	10%	0%	-	-

Reaction conditions: ^a Reaction conditions: Pd(CH₃CN)₂Cl₂ (10 mol%), ligand **A9** (30 mol%), AcOH (1 eq.), 36 hours. Yield were determined by ¹H NMR using 1,3,5-trimethoxybenzene as internal standard. The dr and ee was determined by HPLC. ^b neat. ^c See ref 4

III. Compounds Characterization

3a



6-oxo-6-phenyl-N-(quinolin-8-yl)hexanamide

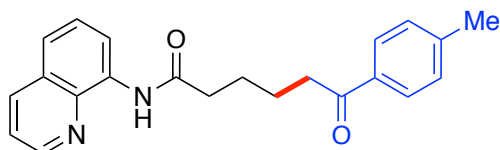
3a was prepared following the General Procedure **1.1** and purified by flash Chromatography (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 3:1, $R_f = 0.21$) to give white solid (62 mg, 94% yield). 36 hours. MP: 85 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.83 (s, 1H), 8.96 – 8.62 (m, 2H), 8.16 (dd, $J = 8.2, 1.8$ Hz, 1H), 8.02 – 7.91 (m, 2H), 7.69 – 7.35 (m, 6H), 3.07 (t, $J = 6.5$ Hz, 2H), 2.64 (t, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 2H), 2.00 – 1.81 (m, 4H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 200.00, 171.45, 148.26, 138.39, 137.03, 136.45, 134.57, 133.10, 128.69, 128.07, 127.48, 121.61, 121.51, 116.54, 56.35, 38.35, 38.06, 25.35, 23.92.

HRMS (ESI): Calculated for C₂₁H₂₁N₂O₂ (M+H)⁺: 333.1598, found: 333.1601.

3b



6-oxo-N-(quinolin-8-yl)-6-(p-tolyl)hexanamide

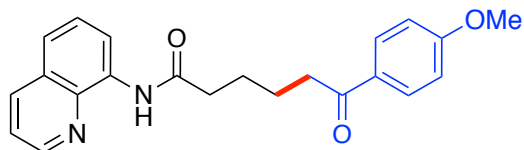
3b was prepared following the General Procedure **1.1** and purified by flash Chromatography (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 3:1, $R_f = 0.29$) to give white solid (66 mg, 96% yield). 36 hours. MP: 80 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.82 (s, 1H), 8.78 (m, 2H), 8.15 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.85 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 2H), 7.58 – 7.38 (m, 3H), 7.23 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 2H), 3.03 (t, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 2H), 2.62 (t, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 2H), 2.39 (s, 3H), 2.08 – 1.78 (m, 4H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.74, 171.53, 148.25, 143.82, 138.44, 136.46, 134.61, 129.36, 128.28, 128.04, 127.52, 121.70, 121.51, 116.55, 38.28, 38.13, 25.43, 24.07, 21.74.

HRMS (ESI): Calculated for $C_{22}H_{23}N_2O_2$ ($M+H$)⁺: 347.1754, found: 347.1762.

3c



6-(4-methoxyphenyl)-6-oxo-N-(quinolin-8-yl)hexanamide

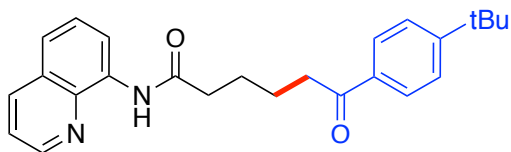
3c was prepared following the General Procedure **1.1** and purified by flash Chromatography (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 3:1, R_f = 0.13) to give white solid (68 mg, 94% yield). 36 hours. MP: 73 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 9.81 (s, 1H), 8.82 – 8.71 (m, 2H), 8.13 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.92 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.57 – 7.36 (m, 3H), 6.89 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 2.99 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 2.61 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 1.98 – 1.81 (m, 4H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 198.62, 171.50, 163.44, 148.21, 138.39, 136.42, 134.57, 130.37, 130.13, 128.00, 127.46, 121.67, 121.48, 116.49, 113.76, 55.52, 38.08, 38.00, 25.42, 24.16.

HRMS (ESI): Calculated for $C_{22}H_{22}N_2O_3$ ($M+H$)⁺: 363.1703, found: 363.1707

3d



6-(4-(tert-butyl)phenyl)-6-oxo-N-(quinolin-8-yl)hexanamide

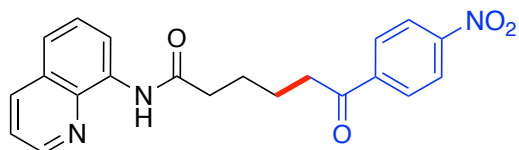
3d was prepared following the General Procedure **1.1** and purified by flash Chromatography (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 3:1, R_f = 0.36) to give white solid (72 mg, 93% yield). 36 hours. MP: 58 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 9.83 (s, 1H), 8.79 (m, 2H), 8.19 – 8.11 (m, 1H), 7.90 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.60 – 7.38 (m, 5H), 3.04 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 2.63 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.05 – 1.85 (m, 4H), 1.33 (s, 9H).

^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 199.67, 171.45, 156.69, 148.18, 138.36, 136.39, 134.55, 134.44, 128.07, 127.97, 127.43, 125.55, 121.64, 121.46, 116.47, 38.23, 38.05, 35.12, 31.15, 25.37, 24.03.

HRMS (ESI): Calculated for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{29}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 389.2224, found: 389.2228.

3e



6-(4-nitrophenyl)-6-oxo-N-(quinolin-8-yl)hexanamide

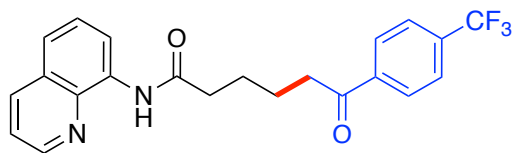
3e was prepared following the General Procedure **1.1** and purified by flash Chromatography (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 3:1, R_f = 0.13) to give yellow solid (69 mg, 91% yield). 36 hours. MP: 143 °C.

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 9.82 (s, 1H), 8.81 (d, J = 4.1 Hz, 1H), 8.76 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 8.27 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 8.17 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 8.09 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.60 – 7.40 (m, 3H), 3.17 – 3.05 (m, 2H), 2.64 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.00 – 1.87 (m, 4H).

^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 198.34, 171.27, 150.32, 148.32, 148.19, 141.38, 138.37, 136.53, 134.50, 129.08, 128.03, 127.40, 123.90, 121.65, 116.46, 38.91, 37.89, 25.10, 23.59.

HRMS (ESI): Calculated for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_3\text{O}_4$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 378.1448, found: 378.1454

3f



6-oxo-N-(quinolin-8-yl)-6-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)hexanamide

3f was prepared following the General Procedure **1.1** and purified by flash Chromatography (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 3:1, R_f = 0.27) to give white solid (73 mg, 91% yield). 36 hours. MP: 89 °C.

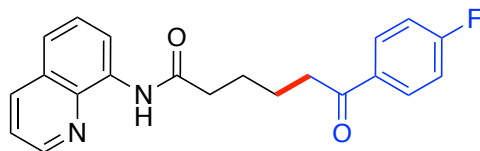
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.82 (s, 1H), 8.84 – 8.69 (m, 2H), 8.16 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 8.04 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.70 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.57 – 7.40 (m, 3H), 3.08 (t, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 2H), 2.63 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.01 – 1.85 (m, 4H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 198.88, 171.31, 148.17, 139.59, 138.34, 136.44, 134.50, 134.26 (q, *J* = 32.6 Hz), 128.37, 127.99, 127.44, 125.65, 123.69 (q, *J* = 274.0 Hz), 121.72, 121.62, 116.45, 38.61, 37.91, 25.15, 23.64.

¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -63.16.

HRMS (ESI): Calculated for C₂₂H₂₀N₂O₂F₃ (M+H)⁺: 401.1471, found: 401.1477

3g



6-(4-fluorophenyl)-6-oxo-N-(quinolin-8-yl)hexanamide

3g was prepared following the General Procedure **1.1** and purified by flash Chromatography (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 3:1, *R_f* = 0.20) to give white solid (64 mg, 92% yield). 36 hours. MP: 86 °C.

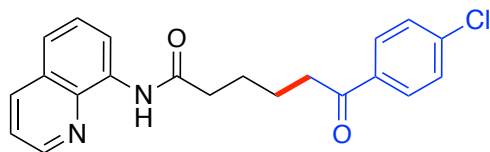
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.82 (s, 1H), 8.85 – 8.71 (m, 2H), 8.16 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.98 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 5.5 Hz, 2H), 7.58 – 7.39 (m, 3H), 7.11 (t, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 3.03 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.63 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 1.98 – 1.82 (m, 4H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 198.31, 171.37, 165.69 (d, *J* = 254.3 Hz), 148.16, 138.34, 136.40, 134.51, 133.40, 130.71 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz), 127.97, 127.44, 121.61, 121.52 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz), 116.44, 115.65 (d, *J* = 21.4 Hz), 38.22, 37.97, 25.26, 23.85.

¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -105.56, -105.57, -105.58, -105.60, -105.60, -105.61, -105.62, -105.63.

HRMS (ESI): Calculated for C₂₁H₂₀N₂O₂F (M+H)⁺: 351.1503, found: 351.1509

3h



6-(4-chlorophenyl)-6-oxo-N-(quinolin-8-yl)hexanamide

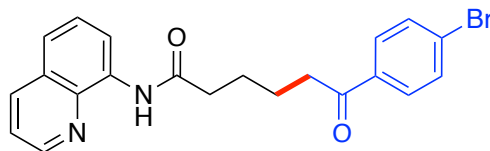
3h was prepared following the General Procedure **1.1** and purified by flash Chromatography (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 3:1, R_f = 0.21) to give white solid (68 mg, 91% yield). 36 hours. MP: 82 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.82 (s, 1H), 8.84 – 8.71 (m, 2H), 8.17 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.89 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.58 – 7.35 (m, 5H), 3.03 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.63 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 1.97 – 1.84 (m, 4H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 198.67, 171.34, 148.27, 139.41, 138.35, 136.45, 135.28, 134.52, 129.58, 129.01, 127.98, 127.56, 121.76, 121.57, 116.54, 38.29, 37.97, 25.24, 23.80.

HRMS (ESI): Calculated for C₂₁H₂₀N₂O₂Cl (M+H)⁺: 367.1208, found: 367.1215

3i



6-(4-bromophenyl)-6-oxo-N-(quinolin-8-yl)hexanamide

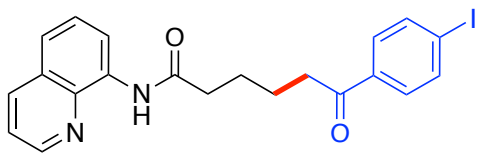
3i was prepared following the General Procedure **1.1** and purified by flash Chromatography (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 3:1, R_f = 0.26) to give white solid (75 mg, 92% yield). 36 hours. MP: 87 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.81 (s, 1H), 8.92 – 8.63 (m, 2H), 8.16 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.81 (d, J = 5.5 Hz, 2H), 7.62 – 7.39 (m, 4H), 3.02 (t, J = 5.2 Hz, 2H), 2.62 (t, J = 5.5 Hz, 2H), 1.97 – 1.81 (m, 4H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 198.83, 171.32, 148.21, 138.32, 135.65, 134.49, 131.83, 129.64, 128.12, 127.96, 127.43, 121.70, 121.60, 116.49, 38.25, 37.94, 25.20, 23.75.

HRMS (ESI): Calculated for C₂₁H₂₀N₂O₂Br (M+H)⁺: 411.0703, found: 411.0706

3j



6-(4-iodophenyl)-6-oxo-N-(quinolin-8-yl)hexanamide

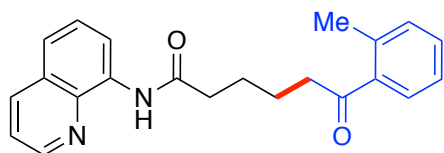
3j was prepared following the General Procedure 1.1 and purified by flash Chromatography (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 3:1, R_f = 0.21) to give white solid (48 mg, 52% yield). 36 hours. MP: 103 °C.

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 9.82 (s, 1H), 8.91 – 8.63 (m, 2H), 8.16 (dd, J = 8.3, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.88 – 7.74 (m, 2H), 7.73 – 7.60 (m, 2H), 7.58 – 7.42 (m, 3H), 3.01 (t, J = 6.7 Hz, 2H), 2.63 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 1.96 – 1.82 (m, 4H).

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 199.26, 171.40, 148.25, 138.42, 137.98, 136.49, 136.26, 134.56, 129.57, 128.04, 127.52, 121.72, 121.56, 116.55, 101.00, 77.16, 38.28, 38.03, 25.28, 23.83.

HRMS (ESI): Calculated for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{23}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 359.0564, found: 359.0569.

3k



6-oxo-N-(quinolin-8-yl)-6-(o-tolyl)hexanamide

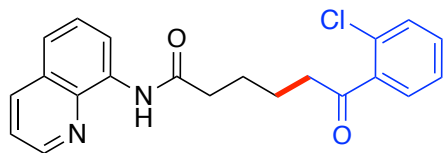
3k was prepared following the General Procedure 1.1 and purified by flash Chromatography (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 3:1, R_f = 0.27) to give white solid (62 mg, 89% yield). 36 hours. MP: 80 °C.

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 9.82 (s, 1H), 8.83 – 8.74 (m, 2H), 8.16 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.58 – 7.40 (m, 3H), 7.35 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.24 (t, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 2.98 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.62 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.48 (s, 3H), 1.96 – 1.81 (m, 4H).

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 204.24, 171.44, 148.18, 138.40, 138.18, 137.97, 136.42, 134.57, 131.99, 131.21, 128.48, 128.36, 128.01, 127.49, 125.75, 121.62, 116.47, 41.35, 38.08, 25.33, 24.05, 21.40.

HRMS (ESI): Calculated for C₂₂H₂₃N₂O₂ (M+H)⁺: 347.1754, found: 347.1759.

3l



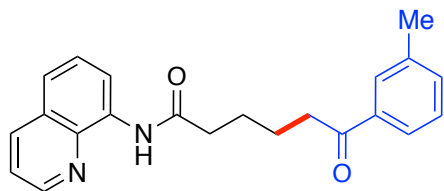
6-(2-chlorophenyl)-6-oxo-N-(quinolin-8-yl)hexanamide

3l was prepared following the General Procedure **1.1** and purified by flash Chromatography (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 3:1, R_f = 0.26) to give white solid (60 mg, 82% yield). 36 hours. MP: 99 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.82 (s, 1H), 8.85 – 8.72 (m, 2H), 8.16 (d, *J* = 8.3, 1H), 7.61 – 7.22 (m, 7H), 3.03 (t, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 2H), 2.62 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 1.97 – 1.81 (m, 4H).
¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 203.20, 171.27, 148.13, 139.57, 138.30, 136.35, 134.48, 131.56, 130.73, 130.47, 128.70, 127.92, 127.33, 126.93, 121.57, 121.49, 116.38, 42.67, 37.90, 25.09, 23.73.

HRMS (ESI): Calculated for C₂₁H₂₀N₂O₂Cl (M+H)⁺: 367.1208, found: 367.1216

3m



6-oxo-N-(quinolin-8-yl)-6-(m-tolyl)hexanamide

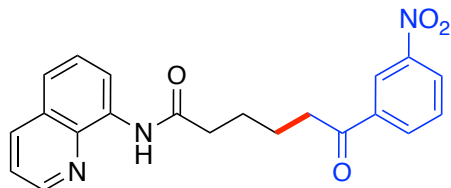
3m was prepared following the General Procedure **1.1** and purified by flash Chromatography (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 3:1, R_f = 0.27) to give white solid (65 mg, 94% yield). 36 hours. MP: 66 °C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.82 (s, 1H), 8.90 – 8.64 (m, 2H), 8.15 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.75 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.58 – 7.40 (m, 3H), 7.33 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.05 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.62 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.40 (s, 2H), 1.99 – 1.83 (m, 4H).

^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 204.24, 171.44, 148.18, 138.40, 138.18, 137.97, 136.42, 134.57, 131.99, 131.21, 128.48, 128.36, 128.01, 127.49, 125.75, 121.62, 116.47, 41.35, 38.08, 25.33, 24.05, 21.40.

HRMS (ESI): Calculated for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{23}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 347.1754, found: 347.1763

3n



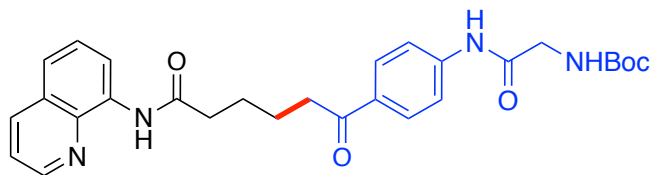
6-(3-nitrophenyl)-6-oxo-N-(quinolin-8-yl)hexanamide

3n was prepared following the General Procedure **1.1** and purified by flash Chromatography (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 3:1, R_f = 0.12) to give white solid (62 mg, 82% yield). 36 hours. MP: 165 °C.

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 9.83 (s, 1H), 8.88 – 8.69 (m, 3H), 8.40 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 8.28 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 8.17 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.58 – 7.42 (m, 3H), 3.14 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.65 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 2.02 – 1.86 (m, 4H), 1.56 (s, 3H).

^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 197.64, 171.30, 148.56, 148.29, 138.41, 138.25, 136.51, 134.54, 133.69, 129.97, 128.06, 127.52, 127.37, 123.03, 121.75, 121.61, 116.55, 38.62, 37.95, 25.14, 23.58.

HRMS (ESI): Calculated for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_3\text{O}_4$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 378.1448, found: 378.1455



3o

Tert-butyl (2-oxo-2-((4-(6-oxo-6-(quinolin-8-ylamino)hexanoyl)phenyl)amino)ethyl) carbamate

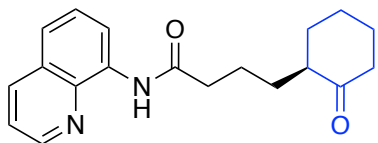
3o was prepared following the General Procedure **1.1** and purified by flash Chromatography (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 1:1, R_f = 0.1) to give white solid (96 mg, 95% yield). 36 hours. MP: 140 °C.

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 9.82 (s, 1H), 8.94 (s, 1H), 8.82 – 8.65 (m, 2H), 8.12 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.87 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.59 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.53 – 7.37 (m, 3H), 5.59 (t, J = 5.8 Hz, 1H), 3.97 (d, J = 5.9 Hz, 2H), 2.96 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.60 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 1.97 – 1.76 (m, 3H), 1.45 (s, 9H).

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 198.81, 171.63, 168.43, 156.72, 148.27, 142.06, 138.40, 136.44, 134.47, 132.75, 129.45, 128.01, 127.43, 121.71, 121.61, 119.19, 116.54, 80.83, 45.62, 38.08, 28.40, 25.37, 23.96.

HRMS (ESI): Calculated for $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{33}\text{N}_4\text{O}_5$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 505.2445, found: 505.2474

4a



6-cyclohexyl-6-oxo-N-(quinolin-8-yl)hexanamide

4a was prepared following the General Procedure **1.1** and purified by flash Chromatography (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 3:1, R_f = 0.31) to give yellow gum (59 mg, 95% yield). 24 hours.

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 9.80 (s, 1H), 8.81 (dd, J = 4.2, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 8.77 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 8.16 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.60 – 7.41 (m, 3H), 2.67 – 2.49 (m, 2H), 2.45 – 2.24 (m, 3H), 2.22 – 2.12 (m, 1H), 2.10 – 1.99 (m, 1H), 1.98 – 1.75 (m, 4H), 1.72 – 1.62 (m, 2H), 1.48 – 1.30 (m, 2H).

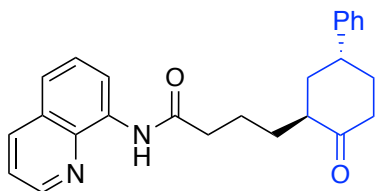
$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 213.25, 171.69, 148.27, 138.47, 136.49, 134.66, 128.07, 127.56, 121.72, 121.51, 116.56, 50.78, 42.23, 38.38, 34.09, 29.16, 28.20, 25.14, 23.43.

HRMS (ESI): Calculated for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{23}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 311.1754, found: 311.1754.

The enantiomeric excess was determined by chiral HPLC: 88% *ee*, (CHIRALPAK AS-H, hexane/*i*-PrOH = 80:20, flow rate 1 mL/min, T = 25 °C, 254 nm), t_R (major) = 19.317 min,

t_R (minor) = 15.009 min. The absolute configuration was assigned tentatively based on analogy.

4b



4-(2-oxo-5-phenylcyclohexyl)-N-(quinolin-8-yl)butanamide

4b was prepared following the General Procedure **1.2** and purified by flash Chromatography (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 3:1, R_f = 0.30) to give yellow gum (70 mg, 91% yield). 24 hours.

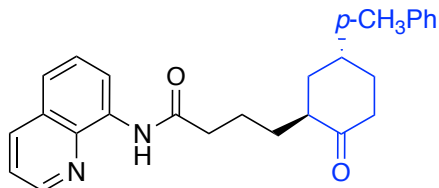
$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 9.80 (s, 1H), 8.92 – 8.64 (m, 2H), 8.23 – 8.09 (m, 1H), 7.65 – 7.38 (m, 3H), 7.35 – 7.11 (m, 5H), 3.25 – 3.05 (m, 1H), 2.69 – 2.48 (m, 4H), 2.46 – 2.31 (m, 1H), 2.28 – 2.12 (m, 2H), 2.11 – 1.61 (m, 6H).

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 214.04, 171.16, 148.22, 144.44, 138.36, 136.43, 128.66, 127.45, 126.82, 126.74, 121.68, 121.52, 116.49, 49.28, 43.50, 41.91, 41.38, 38.44, 38.30, 33.42, 28.74, 23.28.

HRMS (ESI): Calculated for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{27}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 387.2067, found: 387.2086.

The enantiomeric excess was determined by chiral HPLC: **Major**: 93% *ee*, **Minor**: 73% *ee* (CHIRALPAK AS-H, hexane/*i*-PrOH = 85/15, flow rate 1 mL/min, $T = 25^\circ\text{C}$, 254 nm), **Minor**: t_R (major) = 19.853 min, t_R (minor) = 34.417 min; **Major**: t_R (major) = 40.780 min, t_R (minor) = 60.310 min; **dr**: 3.5/1. The absolute configuration was determined based on the comparison of the literature.³

4c



4-(2-oxo-5-(p-tolyl)cyclohexyl)-N-(quinolin-8-yl)butanamide

4c was prepared following the General Procedure **1.2** and purified by flash Chromatography (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 3:1, R_f = 0.30) to give yellow gum (77 mg, 96% yield). 24 hours.

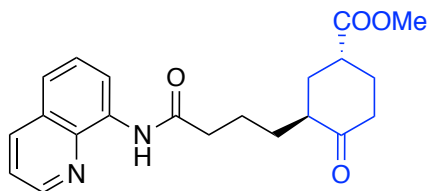
$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 9.80 (s, 1H), 8.92 – 8.64 (m, 2H), 8.23 – 8.09 (m, 1H), 7.65 – 7.38 (m, 3H), 7.35 – 7.11 (m, 5H), 3.25 – 3.05 (m, 1H), 2.69 – 2.48 (m, 4H), 2.46 – 2.31 (m, 1H), 2.28 – 2.12 (m, 2H), 2.11 – 1.61 (m, 6H).

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 213.93, 171.04, 148.10, 141.27, 138.22, 136.30, 135.88, 134.41, 129.22, 127.87, 127.31, 126.57, 121.57, 121.41, 116.37, 49.15, 38.44, 38.34, 37.48, 36.83, 33.38, 30.65, 23.18, 20.95.

HRMS (ESI): Calculated for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{29}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 401.2224, found: 401.2247.

The enantiomeric excess was determined by chiral HPLC: **Major**: 93% *ee*, **Minor**: 70% *ee* (CHIRALPAK OJ-H, hexane/*i*-PrOH = 70:30, flow rate 1 mL/min, $T = 25^\circ\text{C}$, 254 nm), **Major**: t_R (major) = 25.653 min, t_R (minor) = 41.974 min; **Minor**: t_R (major) = 33.155 min, t_R (minor) = 57.709 min; **dr**: 8.2/1. The absolute configuration was determined based on the comparison of the literature.³

4d



Methyl 4-oxo-3-(4-oxo-4-(quinolin-8-ylamino)butyl)cyclohexane-1-carboxylate

4d was prepared following the General Procedure **1.2** and purified by flash Chromatography (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 2:1, R_f = 0.17) to give yellow gum (70 mg, 95% yield). 24 hours.

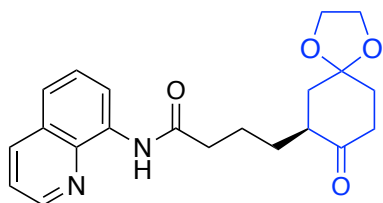
$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 9.80 (s, 1H), 8.86 – 8.72 (m, 2H), 8.16 (dd, $J = 8.2, 1.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.59 – 7.41 (m, 3H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 2.94 – 2.80 (m, 1H), 2.66 – 2.26 (m, 7H), 2.04 – 1.95 (m, 1H), 1.93 – 1.71 (m, 4H), 1.50 – 1.37 (m, 1H).

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 212.21, 174.80, 171.45, 148.27, 138.46, 136.50, 134.62, 128.07, 127.54, 121.73, 121.55, 116.57, 52.18, 47.49, 38.69, 38.36, 38.07, 34.28, 29.30, 28.76, 23.19.

HRMS (ESI): Calculated for $C_{21}H_{25}N_2O_4$ (M+H)⁺: 369.1809, found: 369.1829.

The enantiomeric excess was determined by chiral HPLC: **Major**: 96% *ee*, **Minor**: 43% *ee* (CHIRALPAK AS-H, hexane/*i*-PrOH = 82/18, flow rate 1 mL/min, T = 25 °C, 254 nm), **Minor**: t_R (major) = 45.983 min, t_R (minor) = 105.002 min; **Major**: t_R (major) = 66.030 min, t_R (minor) = 59.002 min; **dr**: 2.6/1. The absolute configuration was determined based on the comparison of the literature.³

4e



4-(8-oxo-1,4-dioxaspiro[4.5]decan-7-yl)-N-(quinolin-8-yl)butanamide

4e was prepared following the General Procedure **1.2** and purified by flash Chromatography (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 3:1, R_f = 0.17) to give yellow gum (65 mg, 88% yield). 24 hours.

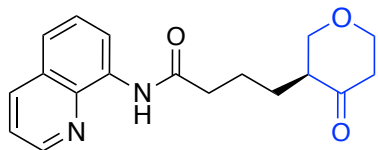
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.80 (s, 1H), 8.88 – 8.69 (m, 2H), 8.16 (dd, J = 8.3, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.58 – 7.42 (m, 3H), 4.12 – 3.90 (m, 4H), 2.76 – 2.48 (m, 4H), 2.43 – 2.32 (m, 1H), 2.22 – 2.12 (m, 1H), 2.09 – 1.87 (m, 3H), 1.87 – 1.69 (m, 3H), 1.41 – 1.30 (m, 1H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 211.41, 171.51, 148.21, 138.39, 136.42, 134.58, 128.00, 127.47, 121.67, 121.47, 116.49, 107.46, 64.84, 64.68, 46.32, 40.60, 38.36, 38.21, 34.85, 28.62, 23.12.

HRMS (ESI): Calculated for $C_{21}H_{25}N_2O_4$ (M+H)⁺: 369.1809, found: 369.1826.

The enantiomeric excess was determined by chiral HPLC: 87% *ee*, (CHIRALPAK OJ-H, hexane/*i*-PrOH = 90:10, flow rate 1 mL/min, T = 25 °C, 254 nm), t_R (major) = 104.713 min, t_R (minor) = 117.955 min. The absolute configuration was assigned tentatively based on analogy.

4f



4-(4-oxotetrahydro-2H-pyran-3-yl)-N-(quinolin-8-yl)butanamide

4f was prepared following the General Procedure **1.2** and purified by flash Chromatography (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 1:1, R_f = 0.26) to give yellow solid (56 mg, 90% yield). 24 hours. MP: 108 °C.

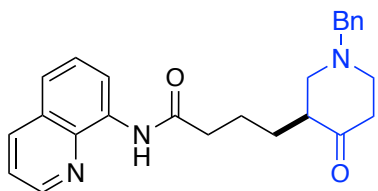
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.80 (s, 1H), 8.85 – 8.68 (m, 2H), 8.15 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.58 – 7.37 (m, 3H), 4.26 – 4.09 (m, 2H), 3.75 (td, J = 10.8, 3.7 Hz, 1H), 3.46 (t, J = 10.4 Hz, 1H), 2.68 – 2.50 (m, 4H), 2.43 – 2.37 (m, 1H), 1.99 – 1.75 (m, 3H), 1.43 – 1.30 (m, 1H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 208.24, 171.17, 148.18, 138.38, 136.47, 136.43, 134.51, 128.01, 127.46, 121.63, 116.48, 72.75, 68.75, 51.58, 42.55, 38.01, 25.41, 23.19.

HRMS (ESI): Calculated for C₁₈H₂₁N₂O₃ (M+H)⁺: 313.1547, found: 313.1565.

The enantiomeric excess was determined by chiral HPLC: 88% *ee*, (CHIRALPAK OJ-H, hexane/*i*-PrOH = 70:30, flow rate 1 mL/min, T = 25 °C, 254 nm), t_R (major) = 35.458 min, t_R (minor) = 43.327 min. The absolute configuration was assigned tentatively based on analogy.

4g



4-(1-benzyl-4-oxopiperidin-3-yl)-N-(quinolin-8-yl)butanamide

4g was prepared following the General Procedure **1.2** and purified by flash Chromatography (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 2:1, R_f = 0.17) to give yellow gum (58 mg, 72% yield). 24 hours.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.78 (s, 1H), 8.84 – 8.68 (m, 2H), 8.13 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.56 – 7.39 (m, 3H), 7.38 – 7.20 (m, 5H), 3.64 (d, J = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 3.54 (d, J = 13.2 Hz,

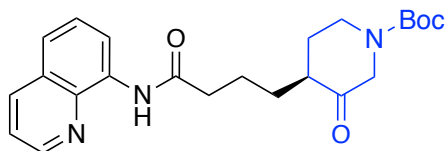
1H), 3.14 – 3.04 (m, 1H), 3.02 – 2.92 (m, 1H), 2.65 – 2.49 (m, 4H), 2.48 – 2.32 (m, 2H), 2.25 (t, $J = 10.6$ Hz, 1H), 1.99 – 1.84 (m, 1H), 1.84 – 1.71 (m, 2H), 1.44 – 1.31 (m, 1H).

^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 210.72, 171.43, 148.24, 138.42, 138.20, 136.47, 136.43, 134.59, 128.96, 128.50, 128.03, 127.45, 121.75, 121.63, 121.50, 116.53, 61.96, 59.03, 58.95, 53.61, 49.79, 41.11, 38.20, 27.11, 23.34.

HRMS (ESI): Calculated for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{28}\text{N}_3\text{O}_2$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 402.2176, found: 402.2196.

The enantiomeric excess was determined by chiral HPLC: 0% *ee*, (CHIRALPAK OJ-H, hexane/*i*-PrOH = 75:25, flow rate 1 mL/min, $T = 25$ °C, 254 nm), $t_{\text{R}} = 33.561$ min, $t_{\text{R}} = 51.758$ min.

4h



Tert-butyl 3-oxo-4-(4-oxo-4-(quinolin-8-ylamino)butyl)piperidine-1-carboxylate

4h was prepared following the General Procedure **1.2** and purified by flash Chromatography (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 2:1, $R_f = 0.15$) to give yellow gum (66 mg, 80% yield). 24 hours.

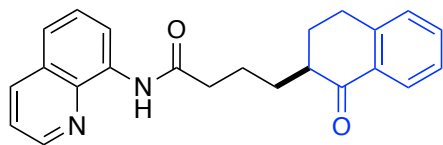
^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 9.80 (s, 1H), 8.85 – 8.70 (m, 2H), 8.16 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.58 – 7.41 (m, 3H), 4.80 – 4.39 (m, 1H), 4.27 – 3.86 (m, 1H), 3.27 – 3.02 (s, 1H), 2.76 – 2.55 (m, 2H), 2.53 – 2.37 (m, 2H), 2.06 – 1.73 (m, 7H), 1.47 (s, 9H).

^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 208.64, 148.39, 148.11, 138.41, 136.44, 134.53, 128.03, 127.66, 127.30, 121.88, 121.54, 116.66, 116.41, 80.61, 37.31, 36.96, 30.42, 28.57, 28.39, 23.37, 23.29, 21.82.

HRMS (ESI): Calculated for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{30}\text{N}_3\text{O}_4$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 412.2231, found: 412.2252.

The enantiomeric excess was determined by chiral HPLC: 47% *ee*, (CHIRALPAK OD-H, hexane/*i*-PrOH = 85:15, flow rate 1 mL/min, $T = 25$ °C, 254 nm), t_{R} (minor) = 30.184 min, t_{R} (major) = 34.668 min. The absolute configuration was assigned tentatively based on analogy.

4i



Tert-butyl 3-oxo-4-(4-oxo-4-(quinolin-8-ylamino)butyl)piperidine-1-carboxylate

4i was prepared following the General Procedure 1.2 and purified by flash Chromatography (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 3:1, R_f = 0.27) to give white solid (68 mg, 95% yield). 24 hours. MP: 103 °C.

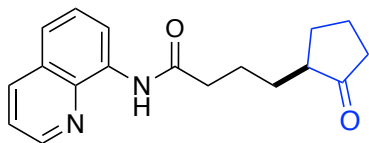
$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 9.83 (s, 1H), 8.87 – 8.71 (m, 2H), 8.15 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 8.02 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.58 – 7.40 (m, 4H), 7.26 (dt, J = 21.0, 7.6 Hz, 2H), 3.07 – 2.93 (m, 5H), 2.72 – 2.48 (m, 3H), 2.36 – 2.25 (m, 1H), 2.15 - 2.05 (m, 1H), 2.03 - 1.84(m, 3H), 1.73 – 1.61 (m, 1H).

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 200.15, 171.61, 148.27, 144.10, 138.47, 136.47, 134.65, 133.29, 132.62, 128.81, 128.06, 127.56, 126.69, 121.69, 121.52, 116.56, 47.58, 38.35, 29.26, 28.64, 28.44, 23.28.

HRMS (ESI): Calculated for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{23}\text{N}_3\text{O}_2$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 359.1754, found: 359.1767.

The enantiomeric excess was determined by chiral HPLC: 0% *ee*, (CHIRALPAK OD-H, hexane/*i*-PrOH = 80:20, flow rate 1 mL/min, T = 25 °C, 254 nm), t_R = 50.978 min, t_R = 70.594 min

4j



Tert-butyl 3-oxo-4-(4-oxo-4-(quinolin-8-ylamino)butyl)piperidine-1-carboxylate

4j was prepared following the General Procedure 1.2 and purified by flash Chromatography (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 3:1, R_f = 0.31) to give yellow gum (55 mg, 92% yield). 24 hours.

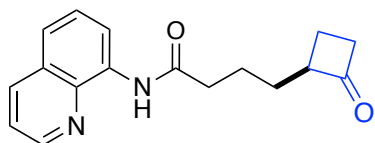
$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 9.80 (s, 1H), 8.85 – 8.72 (m, 2H), 8.16 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.57 – 7.42 (m, 3H), 2.66 – 2.50 (m, 2H), 2.37 – 2.22 (m, 2H), 2.18 – 1.96 (m, 3H), 1.95 – 1.71 (m, 4H), 1.61 – 1.52 (m, 1H), 1.49 – 1.35 (m, 1H).

^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 221.17, 171.43, 148.23, 138.41, 136.46, 134.57, 128.03, 127.49, 121.69, 121.52, 116.52, 49.15, 38.22, 38.17, 29.65, 29.43, 23.75, 20.85.

HRMS (ESI): Calculated for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{21}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 297.1598, found: 297.1597.

The enantiomeric excess was determined by chiral HPLC: 0% *ee*, (CHIRALPAK OD-H, hexane/*i*-PrOH = 80:20, flow rate 1 mL/min, T = 25 °C, 254 nm), t_{R} = 16.946 min, t_{R} = 23.041 min

4k



4-(2-oxocyclobutyl)-N-(quinolin-8-yl)butanamide

4k was prepared following the General Procedure **1.2** and purified by flash Chromatography (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 3:1, R_f = 0.31) to give yellow gum (54 mg, 95% yield). 24 hours.

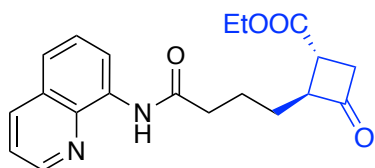
^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 9.81 (s, 1H), 8.86 – 8.71 (m, 2H), 8.16 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.59 – 7.40 (m, 3H), 3.43 – 3.29 (m, 1H), 3.12-2.99 (m, 1H), 2.96 – 2.84 (m, 1H), 2.66 – 2.50 (m, 2H), 2.30 – 2.15 (m, 1H), 1.97 - 1.77 (m, 3H), 1.76 – 1.64 (m, 2H).

^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 211.82, 171.31, 148.24, 138.45, 136.50, 134.57, 128.07, 127.52, 121.79, 121.68, 116.54, 60.42, 60.36, 44.67, 37.87, 29.19, 23.26, 17.02.

HRMS (ESI): Calculated for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{19}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 283.1441, found: 283.1447.

The enantiomeric excess was determined by chiral HPLC: 0% *ee*, (CHIRALPAK AS-H, hexane/*i*-PrOH = 80/20, flow rate 1 mL/min, T = 25 °C, 254 nm), t_{R} (major) = 18.859 min, t_{R} (minor) = 25.859 min.

4l



Ethyl 3-oxo-2-(4-oxo-4-(quinolin-8-ylamino)butyl)cyclobutane-1-carboxylate

4l was prepared following the General Procedure **1.2** and purified by flash Chromatography (hexanes/ethyl acetate = 2:1, R_f = 0.16) to give yellow gum (51 mg, 72% yield). 24 hours.

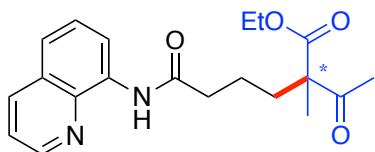
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.78 (s, 1H), 8.83 – 8.68 (m, 2H), 8.15 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.56 – 7.39 (m, 3H), 4.20 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 3.65 – 3.56 (m, 1H), 3.38 (ddd, J = 17.4, 7.8, 3.1 Hz, 1H), 3.10 (ddd, J = 17.4, 8.8, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 2.90 (q, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.65 – 2.48 (m, 2H), 1.97 – 1.81 (m, 3H), 1.78 – 1.65 (m, 1H), 1.27 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 206.18, 173.77, 170.92, 148.18, 138.30, 136.39, 134.45, 127.95, 127.36, 121.66, 121.50, 116.39, 64.99, 61.36, 53.55, 48.32, 37.46, 34.34, 28.21, 22.73, 14.20.

HRMS (ESI): Calculated for C₂₀H₂₃N₂O₄ (M+H)⁺: 355.1652, found: 355.1674.

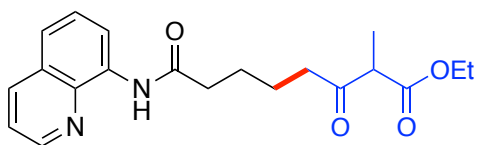
The enantiomeric excess was determined by chiral HPLC: 45% *ee*, (CHIRALPAK OD-H, hexane/*i*-PrOH = 85:15, flow rate 1 mL/min, T = 25 °C, 254 nm), t_R (minor) = 40.124 min, t_R (major) = 44.126 min. The absolute configuration was assigned tentatively based on analogy.

5a-B



Ethyl 2-acetyl-2-methyl-6-oxo-6-(quinolin-8-ylamino)hexanoate

5a-L



Ethyl 2-methyl-3,8-dioxo-8-(quinolin-8-ylamino)octanoate

5a-B and **5a-L** were prepared following the General Procedure **1.3** and purified by flash Chromatography as an inseparable mixture with 47:53 ratio. Hexanes/ethyl acetate = 3:1, R_f = 0.33. Yellow gum (68 mg, 95% yield). 36 hours.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.80 (s, 1H), 8.87 – 8.71 (m, 2H), 8.17 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.59 – 7.40 (m, 3H), 4.26 – 4.11 (m, 2H), 3.57 – 3.47 (m, 0.5H), 2.74 – 2.52 (m, 3H), 2.18

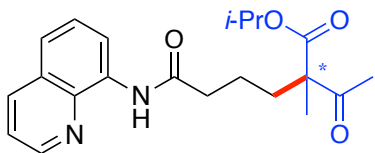
(s, 1H), 2.07 – 1.65 (m, 4H), 1.57 (s, 1H), 1.40 (s, 1H), 1.34 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 1.26 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 3H).

^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 205.67, 172.92, 171.36, 170.96, 170.67, 148.24, 138.41, 136.48, 134.56, 128.04, 127.50, 121.72, 121.55, 116.52, 61.47, 59.68, 52.98, 41.20, 38.09, 37.95, 34.37, 26.27, 25.06, 23.22, 20.45, 18.92, 14.21, 12.90.

HRMS (ESI): Calculated for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{24}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 357.1809, found: 357.1831.

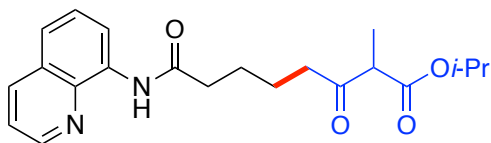
The enantiomeric excess was determined by chiral HPLC: **5a-B**: 63% *ee*, (CHIRALPAK OD-H, hexane/*i*-PrOH = 90:10, flow rate 1 mL/min, $T = 25$ °C, 254 nm), t_R (major) = 38.724 min, t_R (minor) = 44.544 min. **5a-L**: $t_R = 54.610$ min. **5a-B:5a-L** = 47:53.

5b-B



Isopropyl 2-acetyl-2-methyl-6-oxo-6-(quinolin-8-ylamino)hexanoate

5b-L



Isopropyl 2-methyl-3,8-dioxo-8-(quinolin-8-ylamino)octanoate

5b-B and **5b-L** were prepared following the General Procedure 1.3 and purified by flash Chromatography as an inseparable mixture with 52:48 ratio. Hexanes/ethyl acetate = 3:1, $R_f = 0.28$. Yellow gum (70 mg, 95% yield). 36 hours.

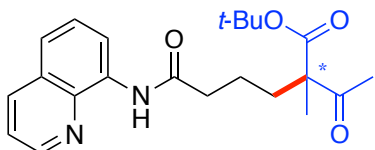
^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 9.78 (s, 1H), 8.86 – 8.71 (m, 2H), 8.16 (dd, $J = 8.3, 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.59 – 7.39 (m, 3H), 5.13 – 4.97 (dp, $J = 12.4, 6.3$ Hz, 2H), 3.48 (q, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 0.5H), 2.73 – 2.49 (m, 3H), 2.17 (s, 1.5H), 2.06 – 1.58 (m, 5H), 1.38 (s, 1.5H), 1.32 (d, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 1.5H), 1.24 (t, $J = 5.4, 2.6$ Hz, 6H).

^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 205.45, 205.35, 172.12, 171.10, 170.71, 169.96, 148.01, 138.11, 136.22, 134.33, 134.30, 127.78, 127.18, 121.50, 121.34, 116.24, 68.75, 59.45, 52.91, 40.95, 37.83, 37.68, 34.07, 26.00, 24.85, 23.01, 21.56, 21.45, 20.17, 18.63, 12.61.

HRMS (ESI): Calculated for $C_{21}H_{27}N_2O_4$ ($M+H$)⁺: 371.1965, found: 357.1987.

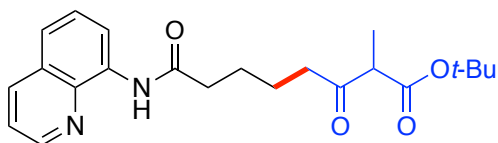
The enantiomeric excess was determined by chiral HPLC: **5b-B**: 74% *ee*, (CHIRALPAK OD-H, hexane/*i*-PrOH = 92:08, flow rate 1 mL/min, T = 25 °C, 254 nm), t_R (major) = 30.231 min, t_R (minor) = 36.600 min. **5b-L**: t_R = 41.909 min. **5b-B:5b-L** = 52:48.

5c-B



Tert-butyl 2-acetyl-2-methyl-6-oxo-6-(quinolin-8-ylamino)hexanoate

5c-L



Tert-butyl 2-methyl-3,8-dioxo-8-(quinolin-8-ylamino)octanoate

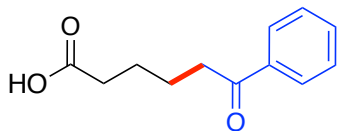
5c-B and **5c-L** were prepared following the General Procedure 1.3 and purified by flash Chromatography as an inseparable mixture with 51:49 ratio. Hexanes/ethyl acetate = 3:1, R_f = 0.26. Yellow gum (73 mg, 95% yield). 36 hours.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 9.79 (s, 1H), 8.85 – 8.71 (m, 2H), 8.16 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.59 – 7.40 (m, 3H), 3.43 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 0.5H), 2.73 – 2.50 (m, 3H), 2.17 (s, 1.6H), 2.02 – 1.67 (m, 4H), 1.46 (s, 4.5H), 1.45 (s, 4.5H), 1.35 (s, 1.5H), 1.29 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 1.5H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 215.60, 171.15, 148.12, 138.27, 136.33, 134.43, 127.90, 127.35, 121.58, 121.40, 116.38, 48.88, 41.29, 38.43, 37.57, 32.37, 31.48, 30.79, 27.41, 26.80, 23.22.

HRMS (ESI): Calculated for $C_{22}H_{28}NaN_2O_4$ ($M+Na$)⁺: 407.1941, found: 407.1941.

The enantiomeric excess was determined by chiral HPLC: **5c-B**: 74% *ee*, (CHIRALPAK OJ-H, hexane/*i*-PrOH = 95:05, flow rate 1 mL/min, T = 25 °C, 254 nm), t_R (major) = 31.039 min, t_R (minor) = 41.822 min. **5c-L**: t_R = 54.620 min, t_R = 66.851 min. **5c-B:5c-L** = 51:49



6-oxo-6-phenylhexanoic acid

6 were prepared following the General Procedure **1.4** and purified by flash Chromatography. White solid (177 mg, 86% yield). MP: 70 °C.⁵

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.96 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.46 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 3.01 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 2.43 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 1.87 – 1.68 (m, 2H).

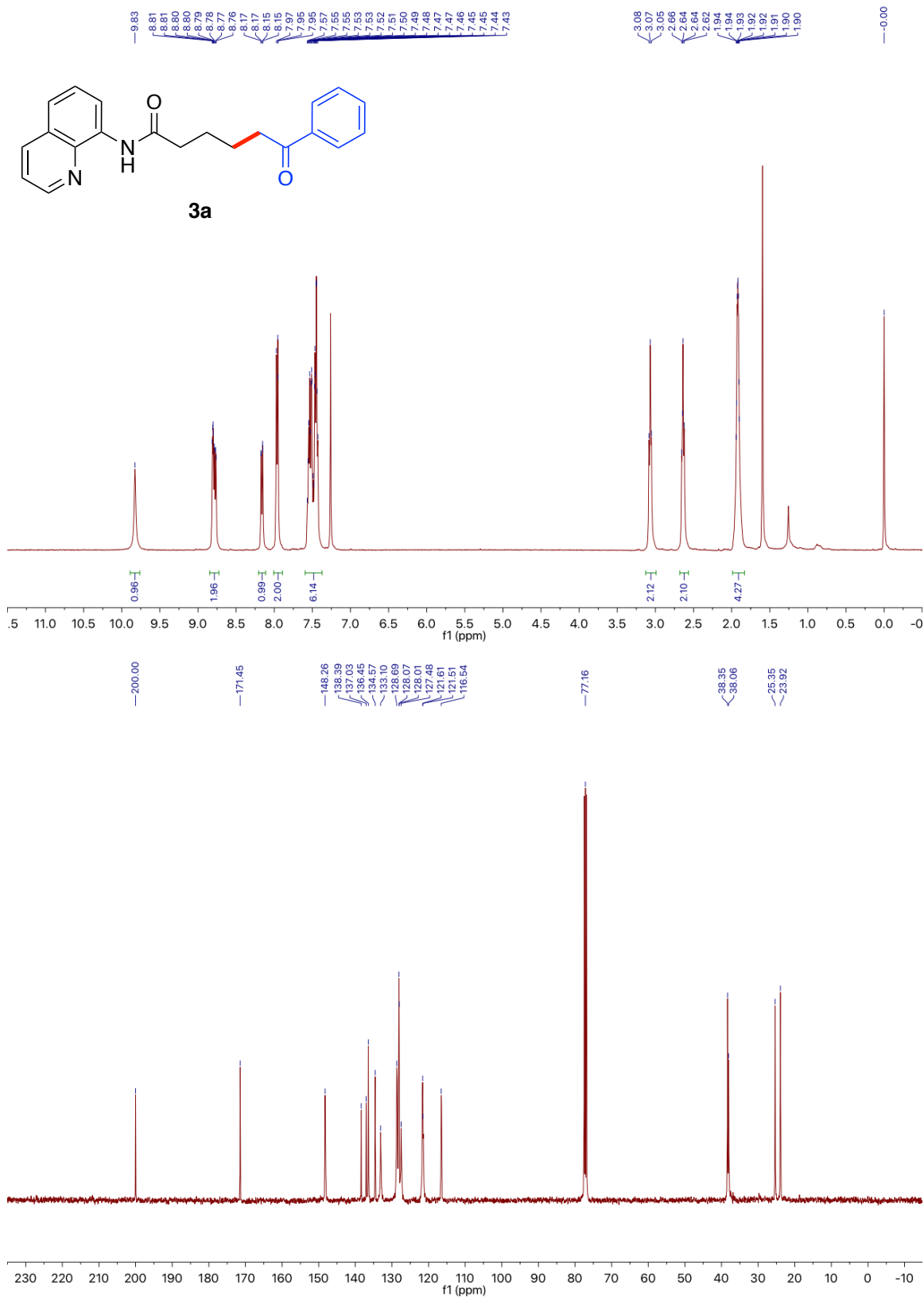
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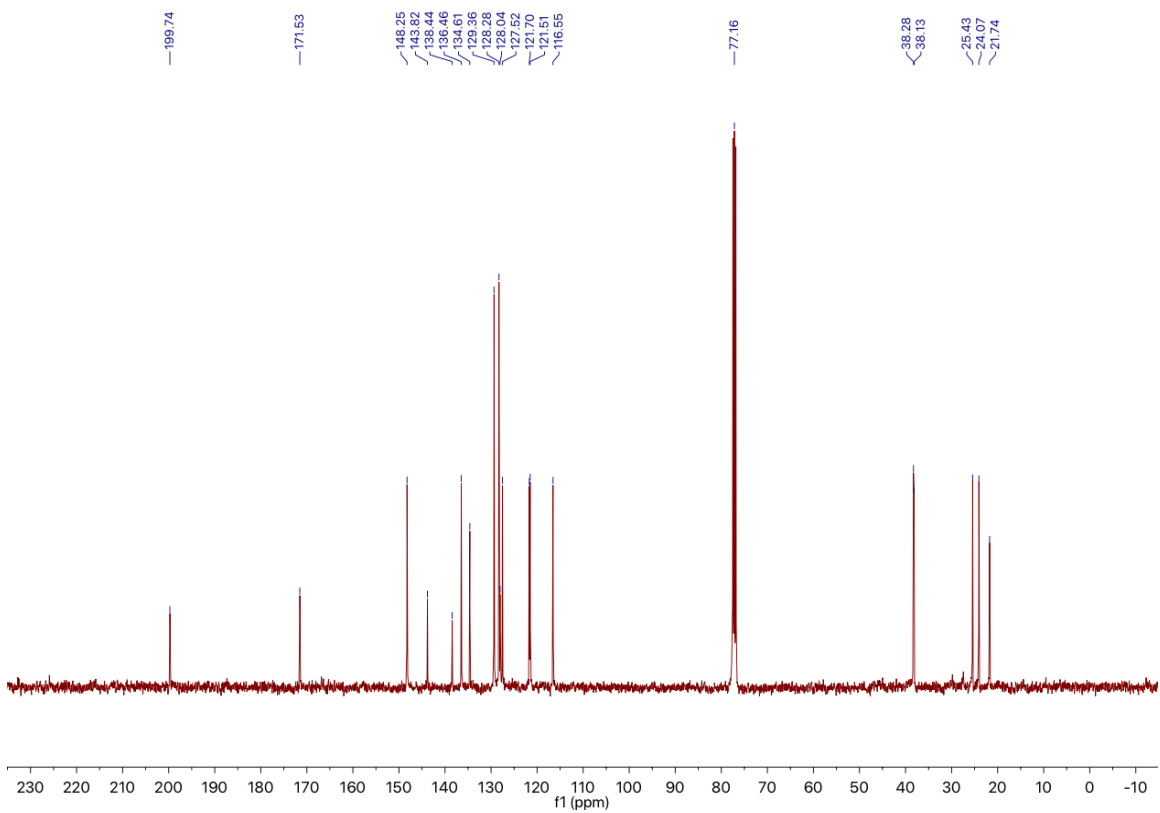
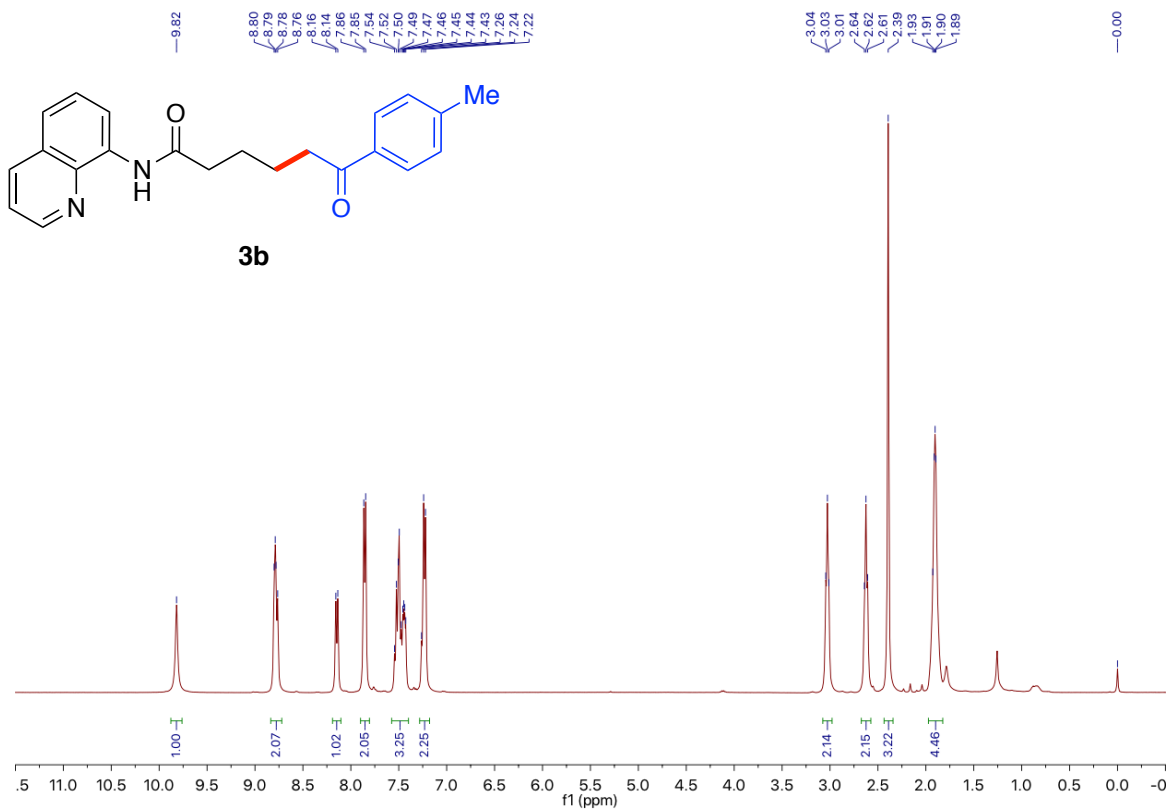
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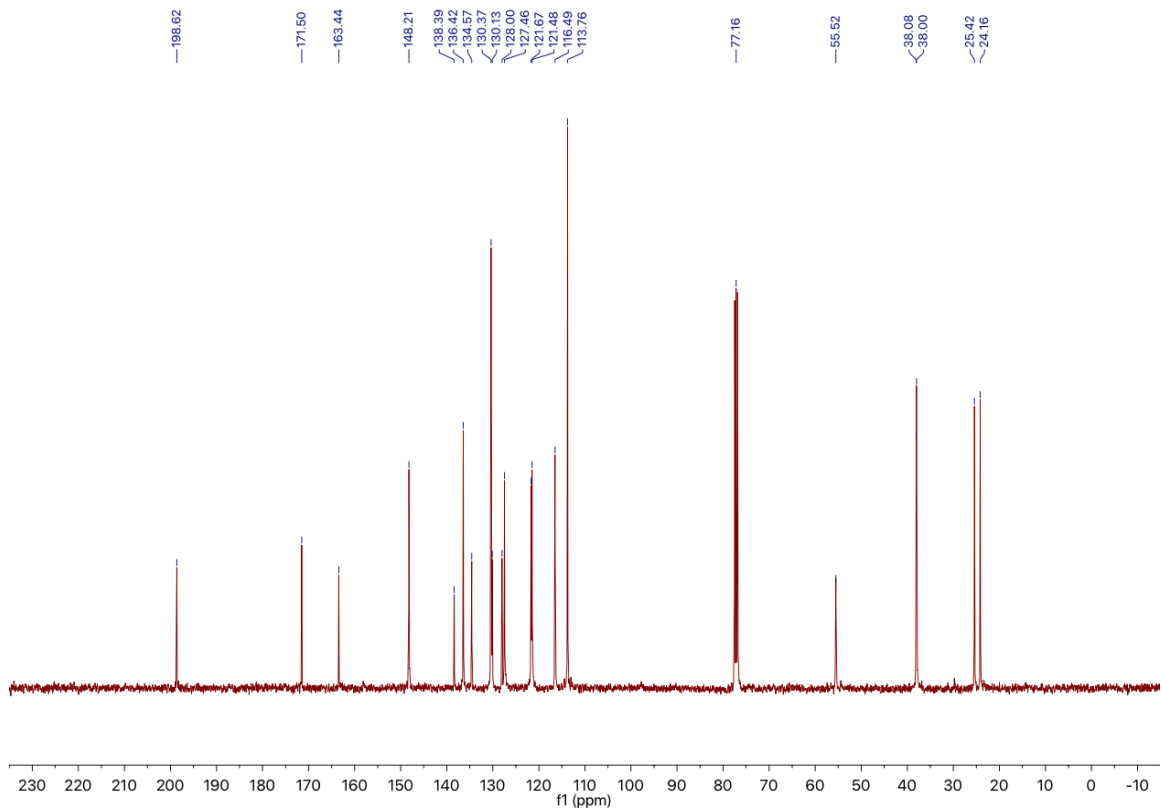
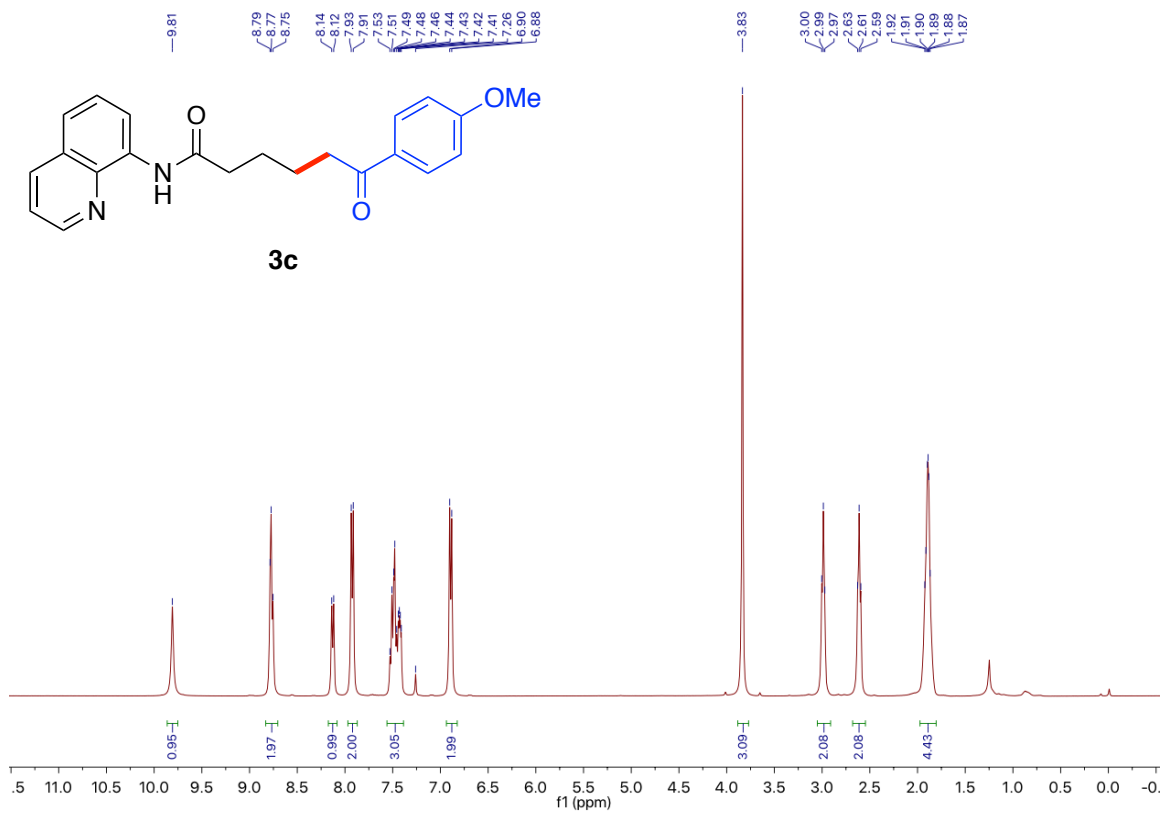
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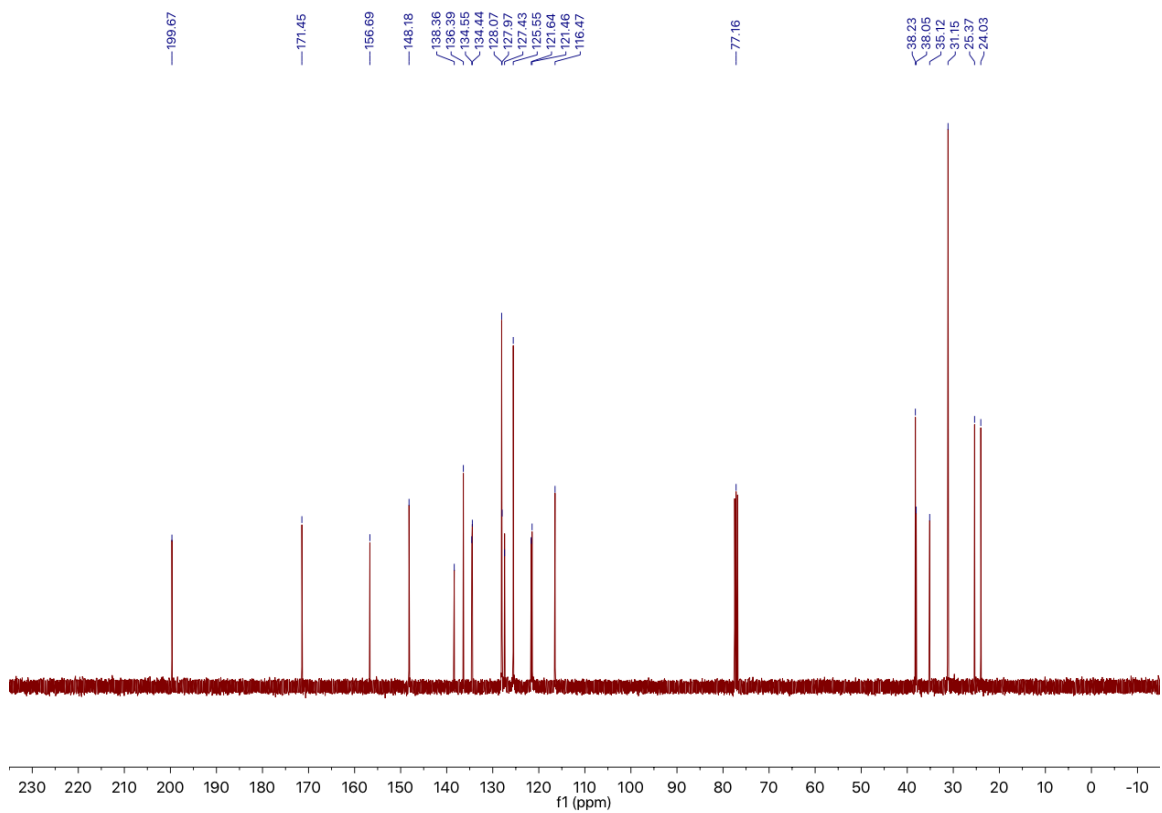
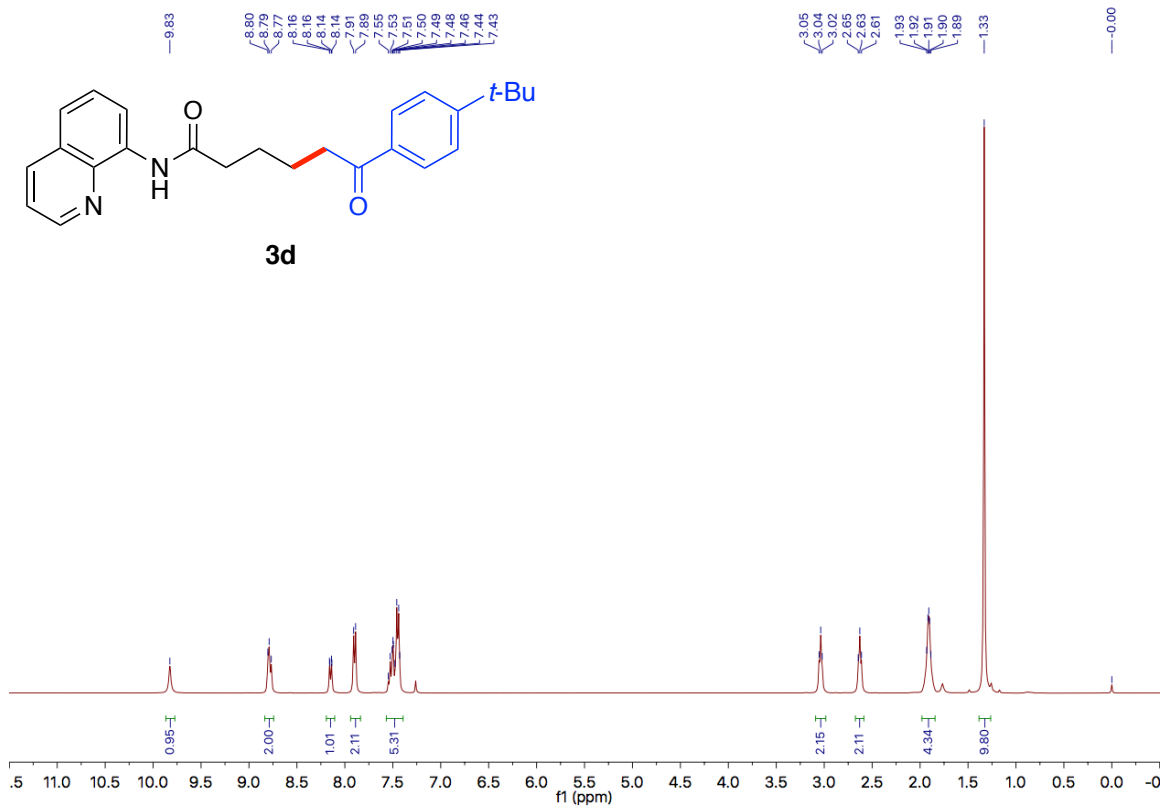
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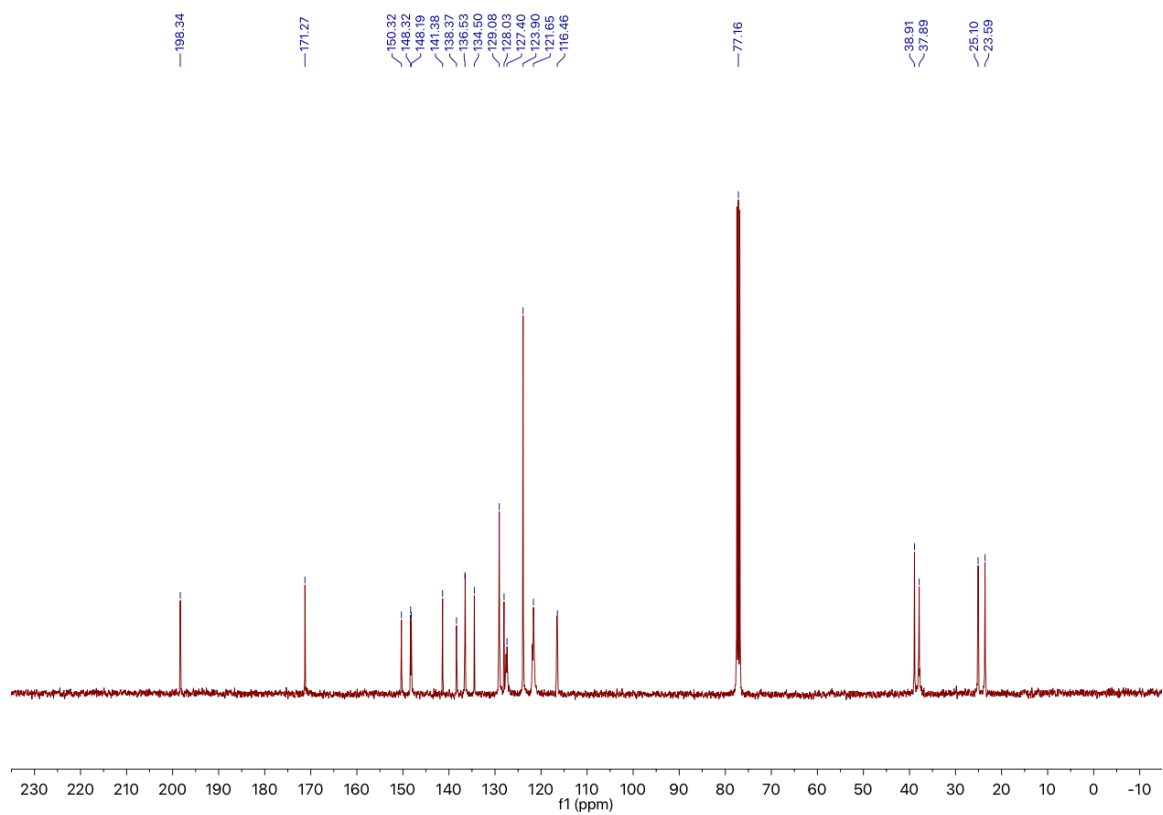
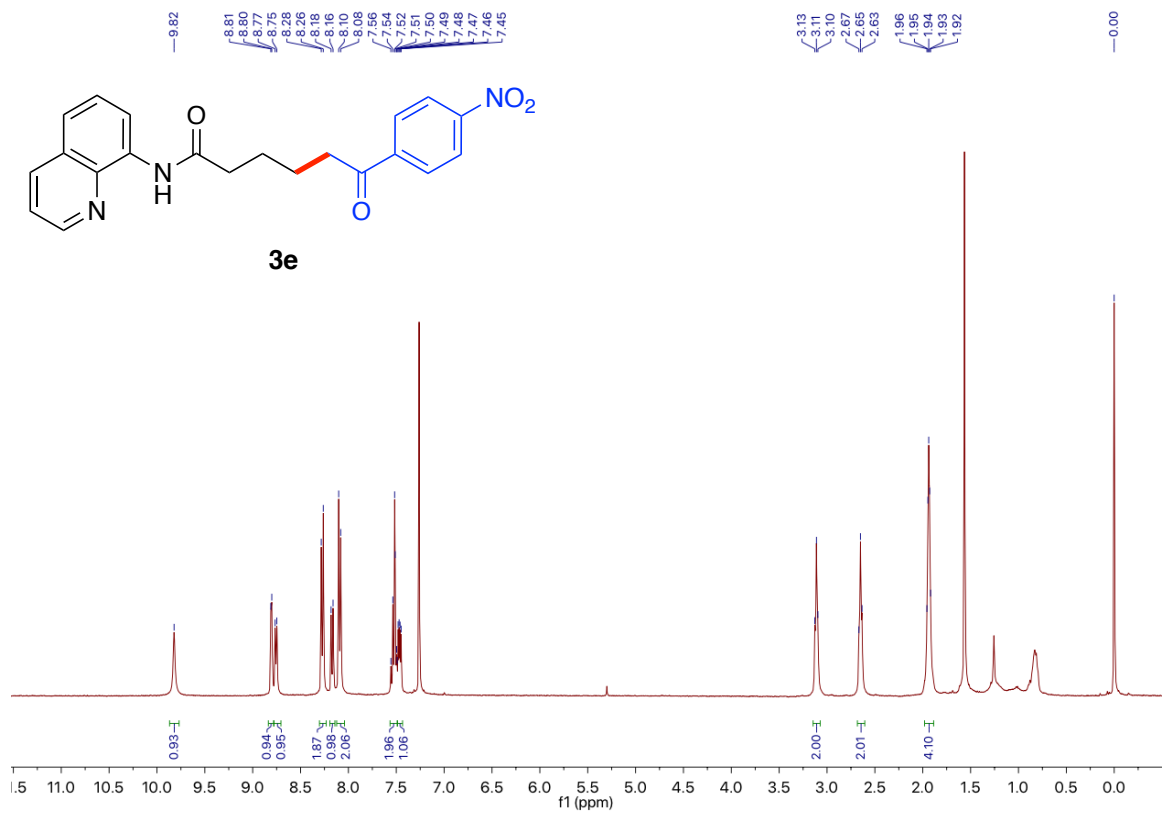
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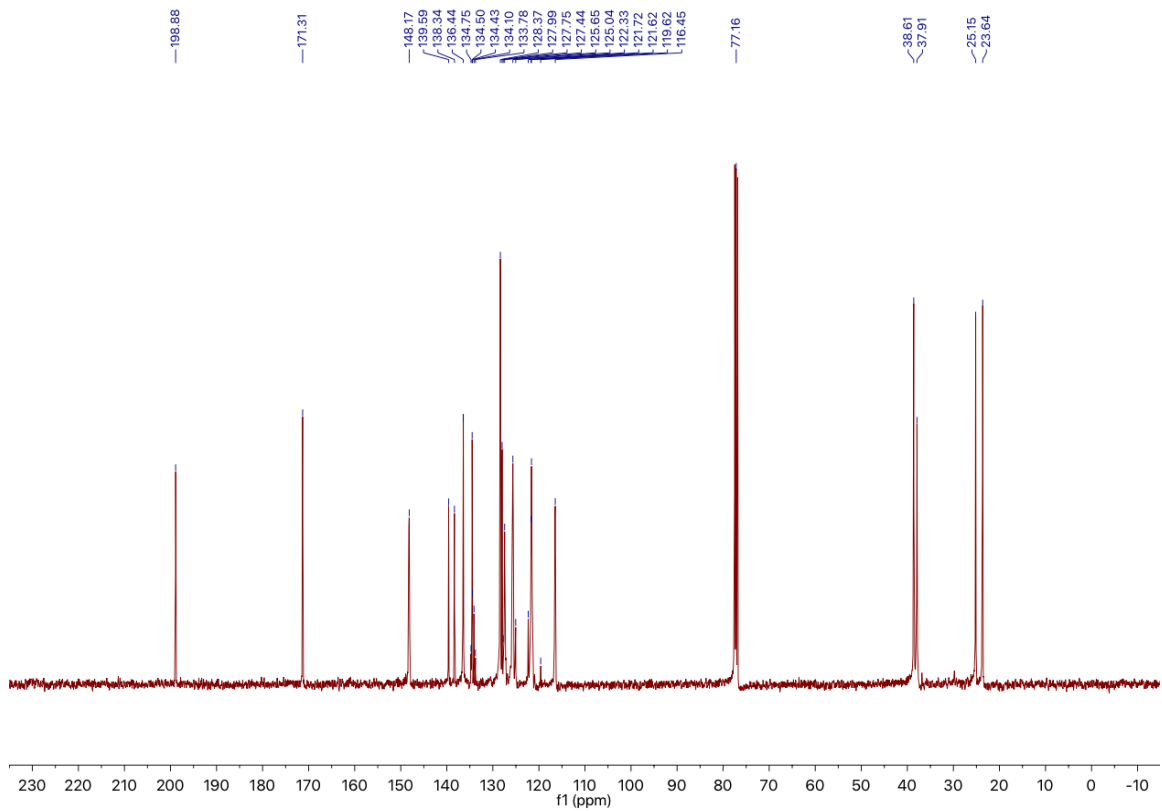
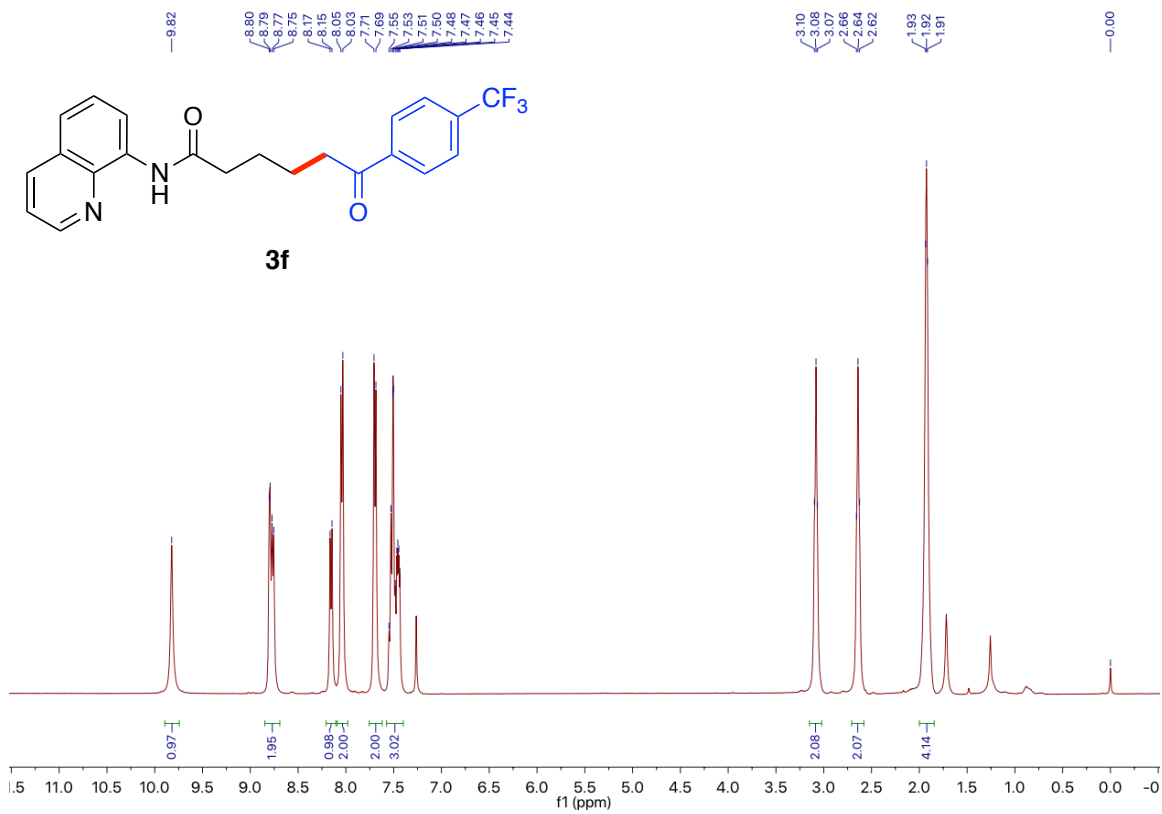


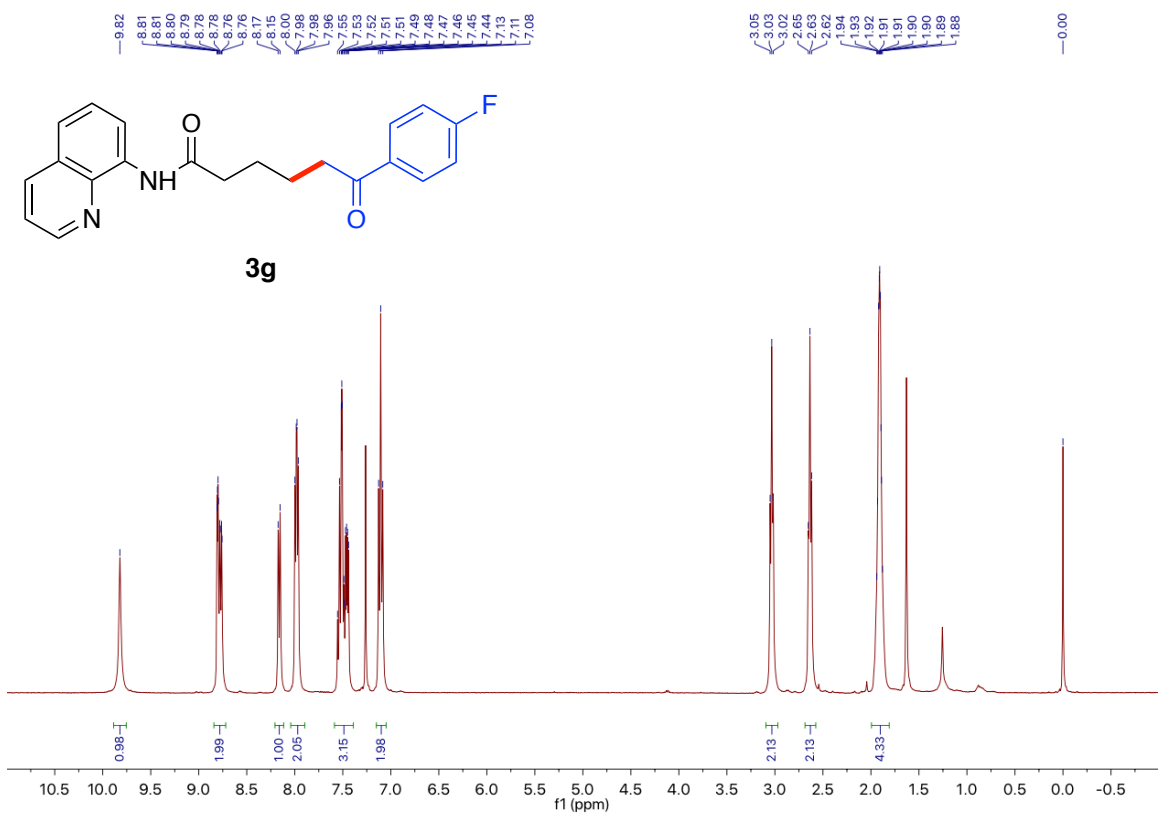
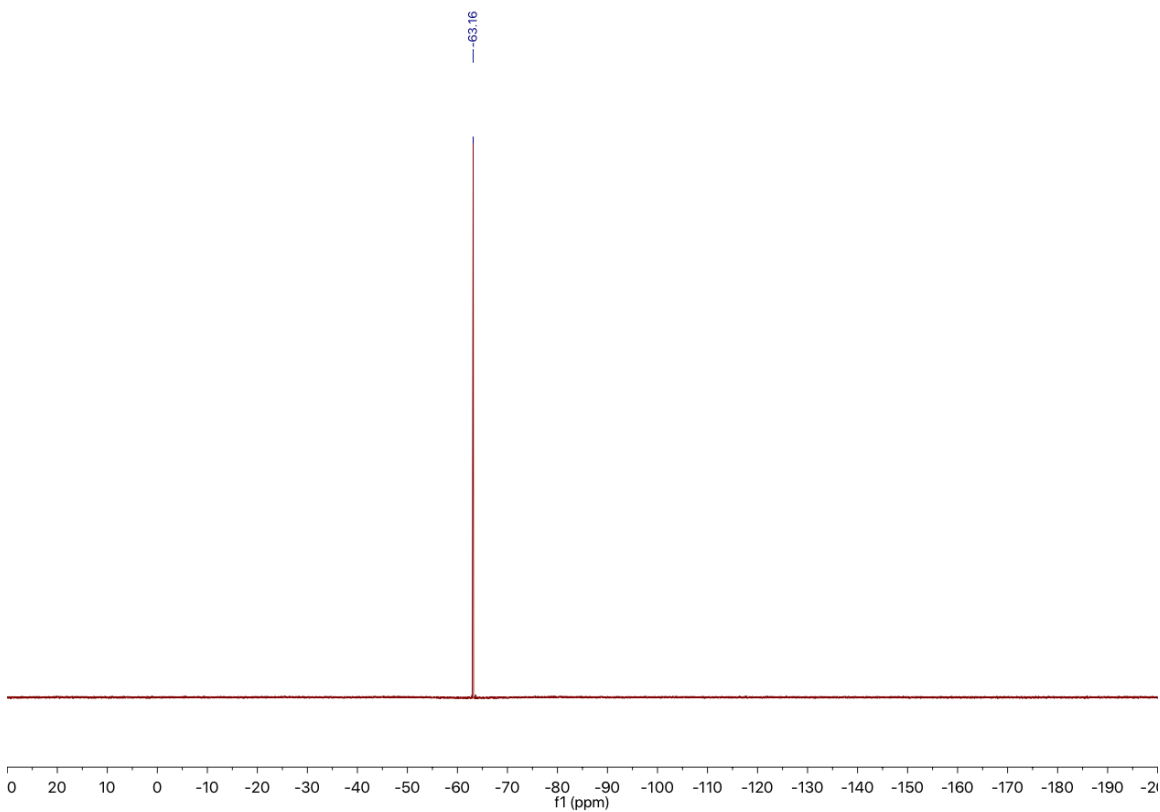


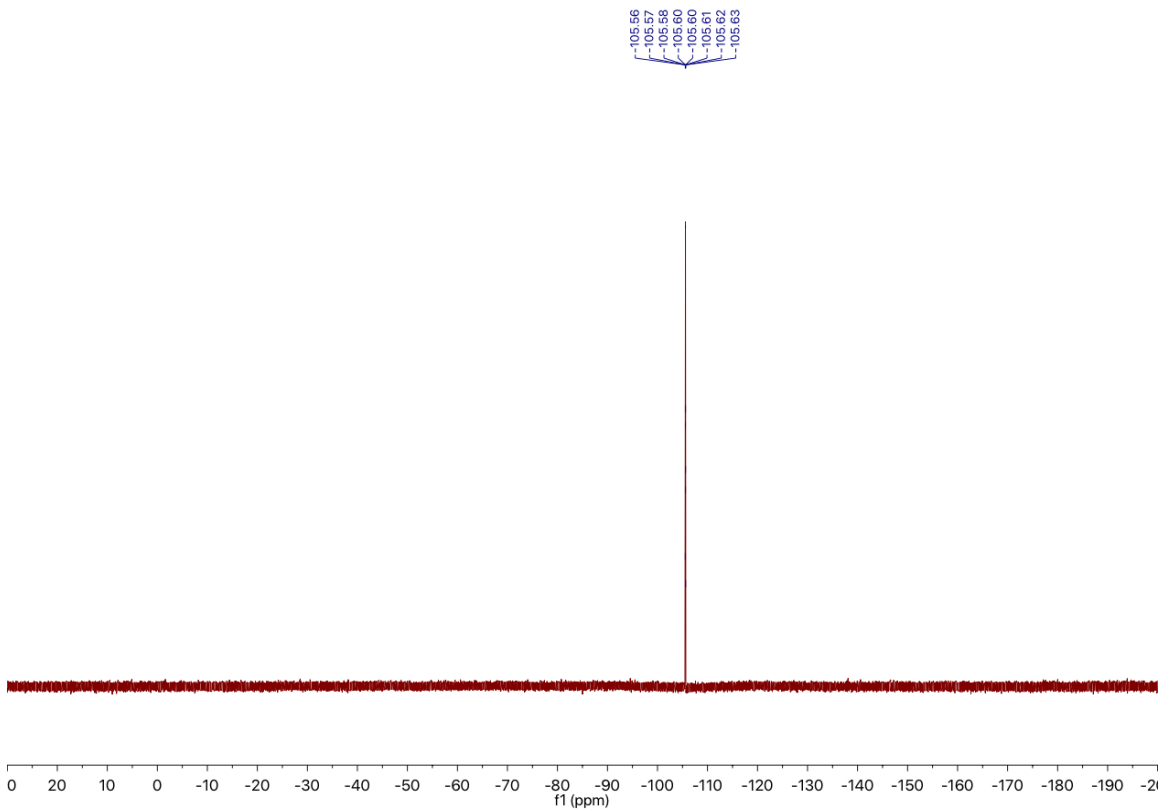
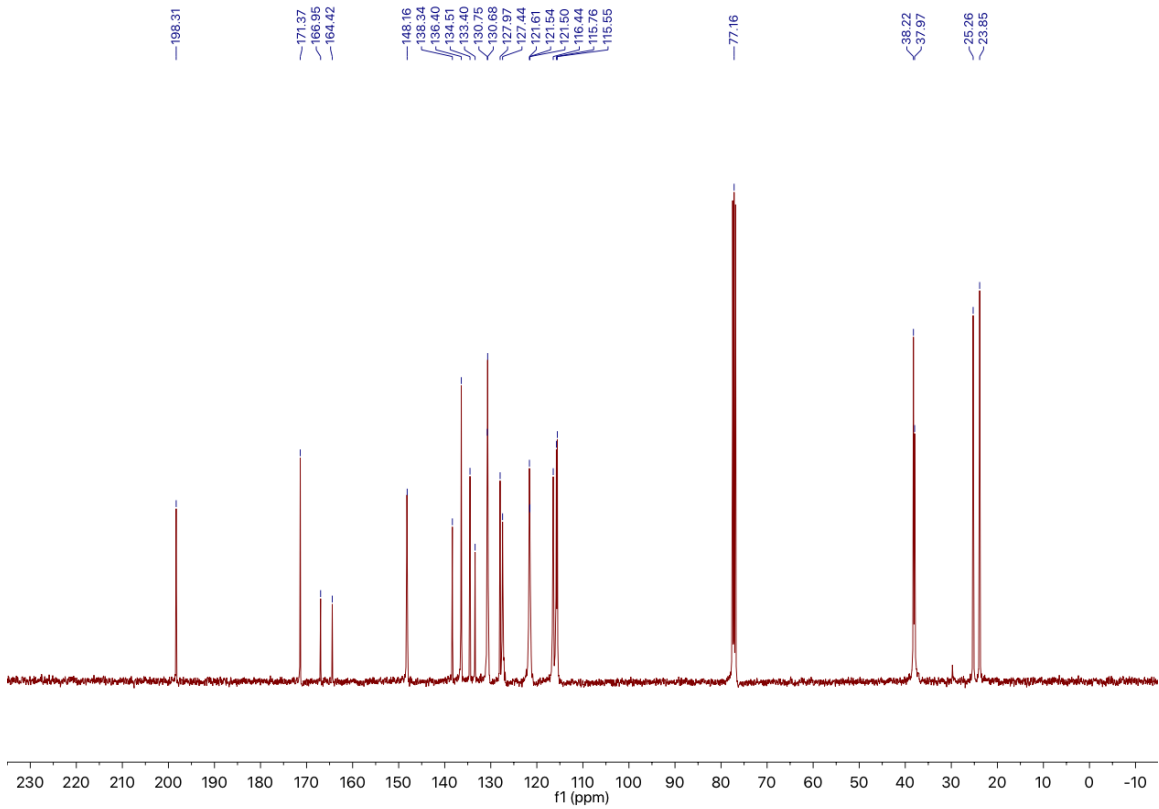


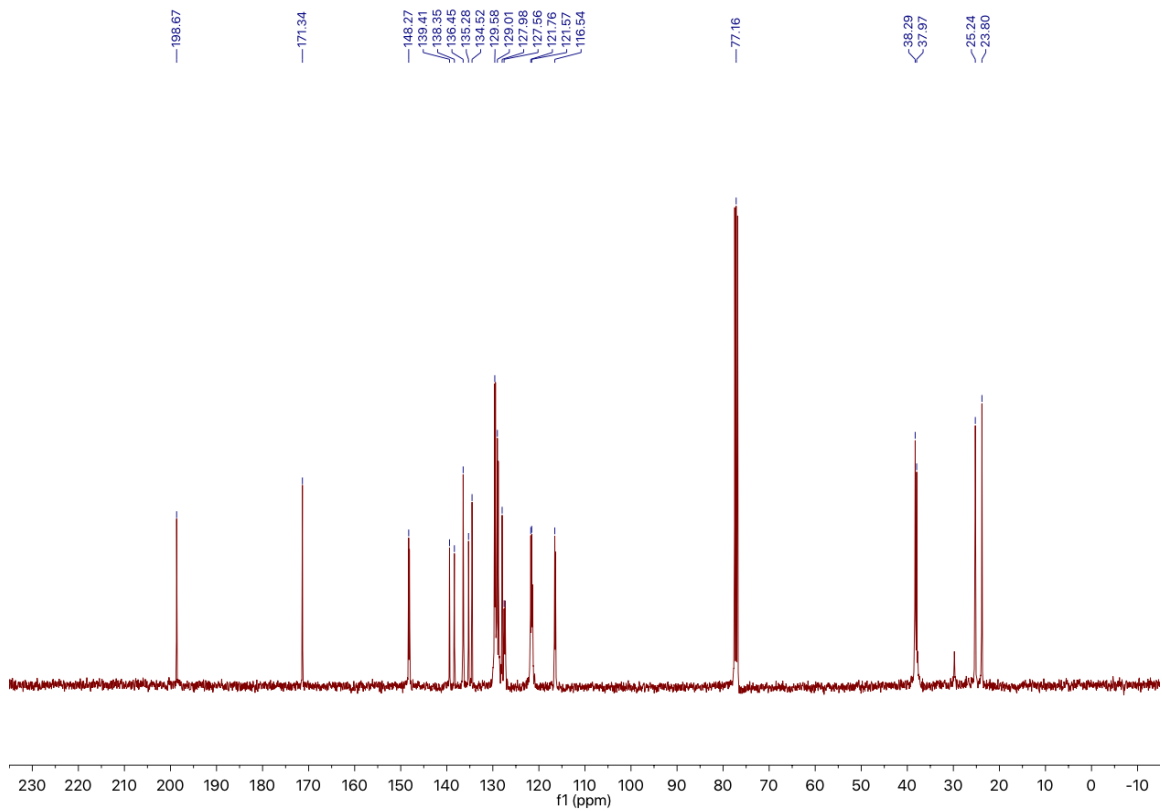
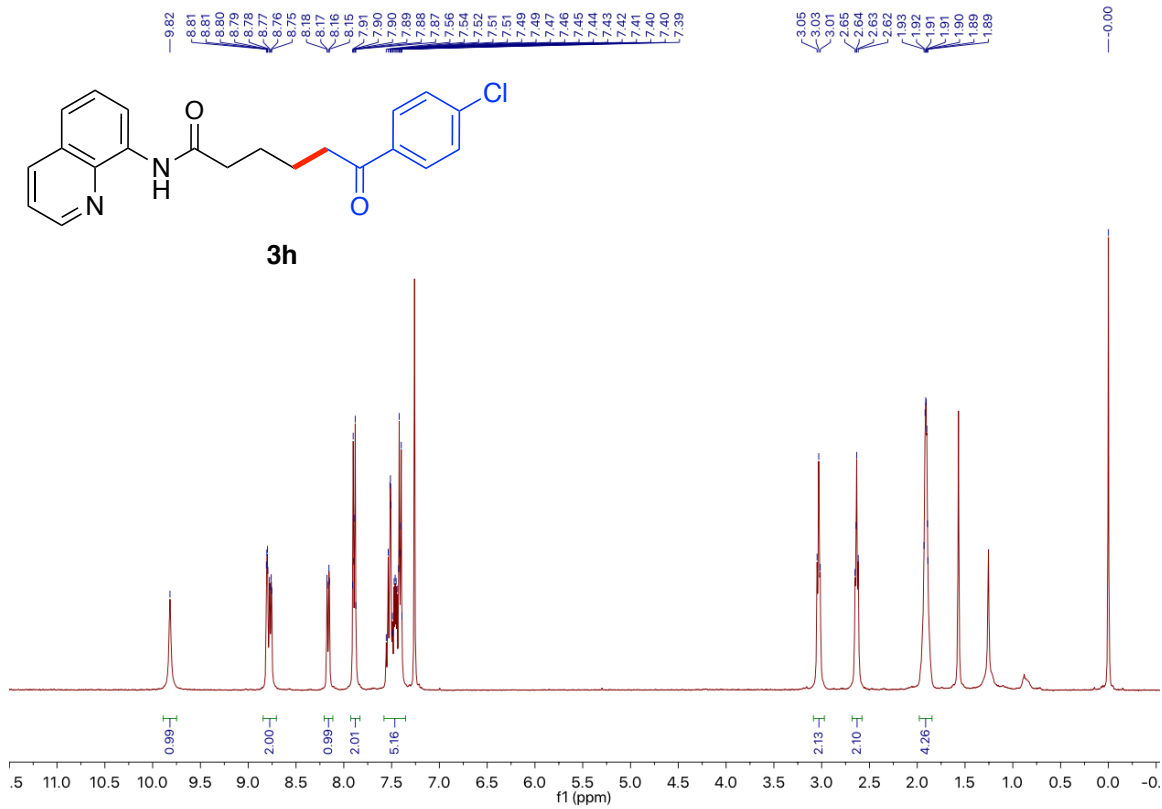


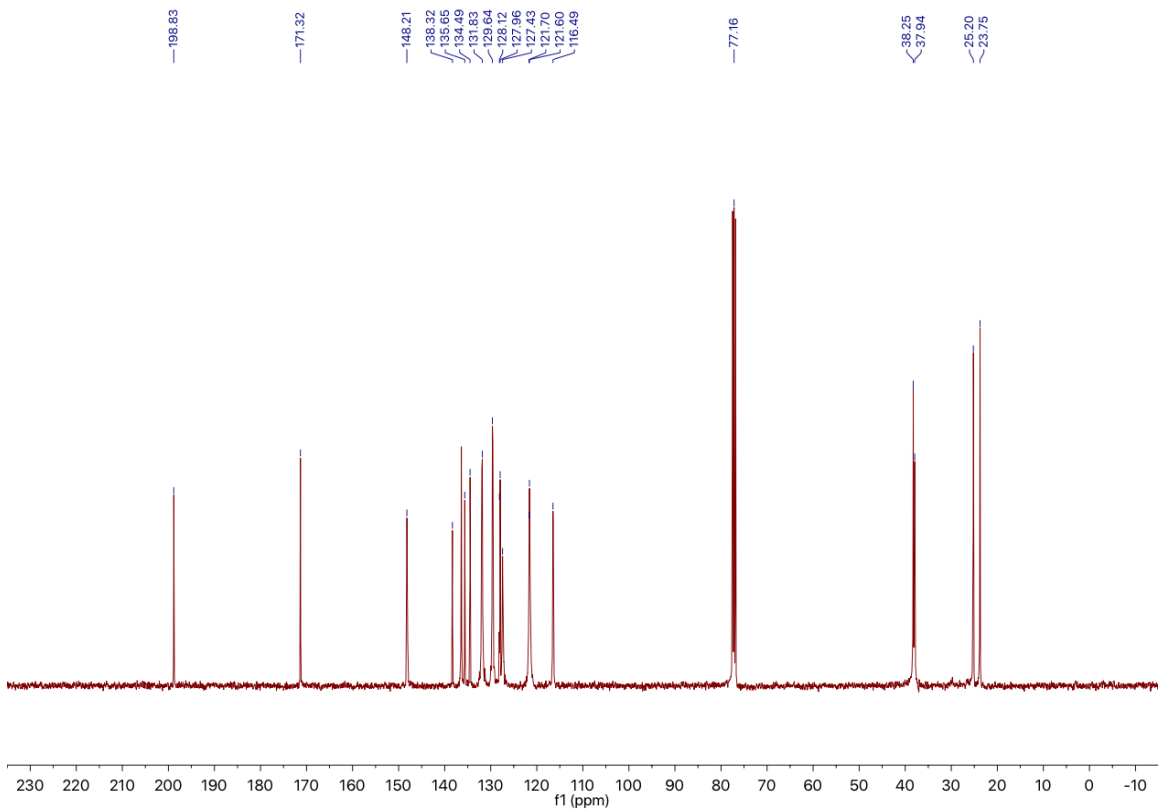
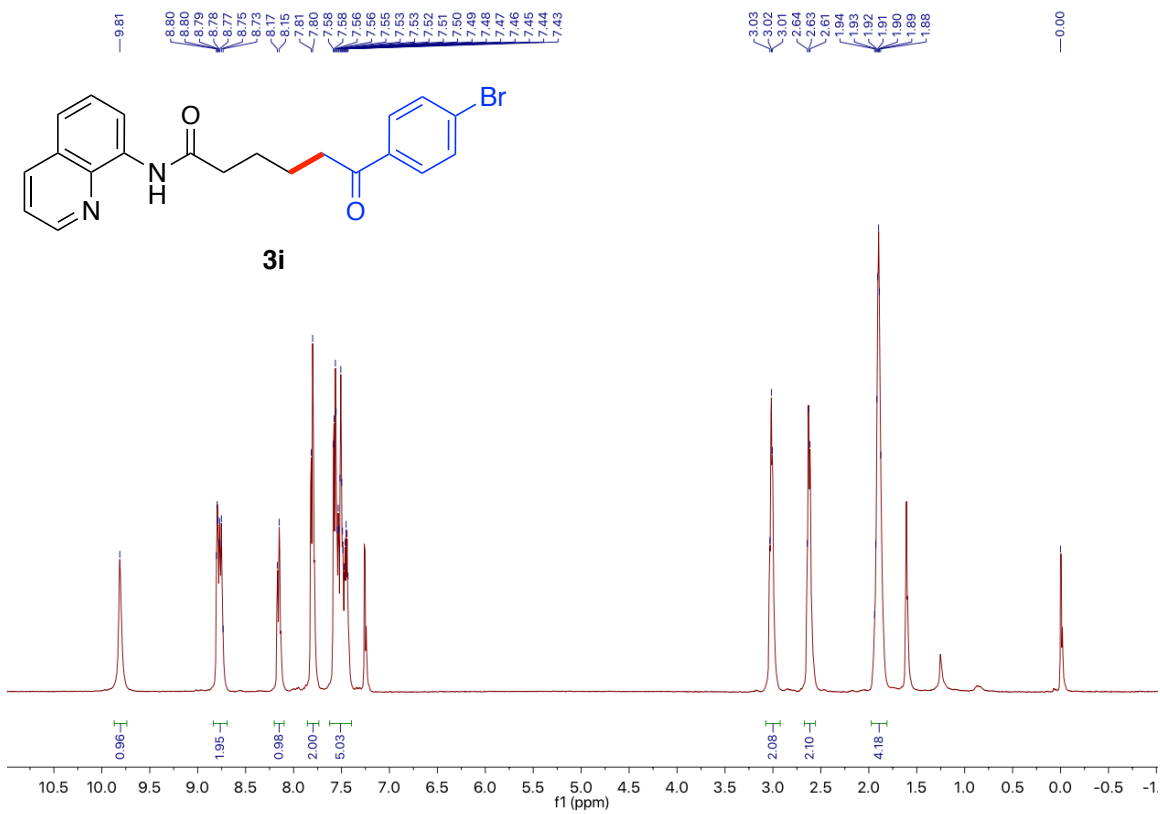


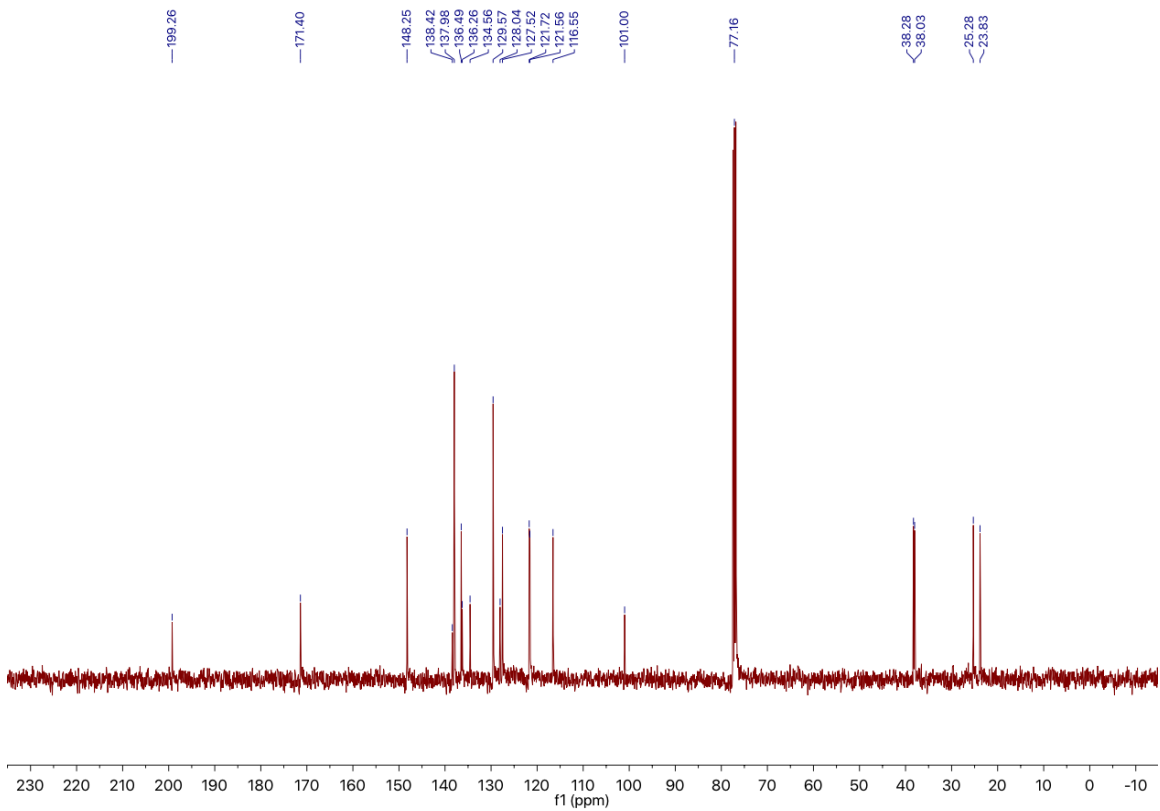
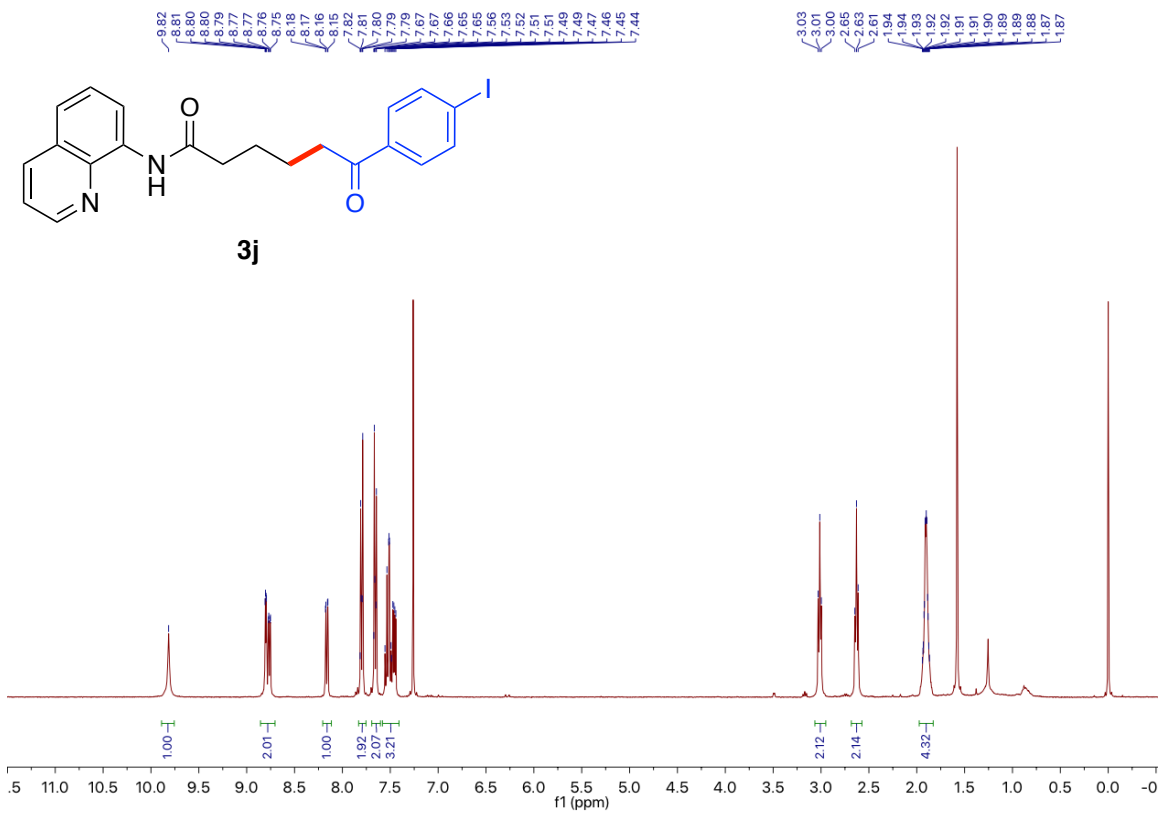


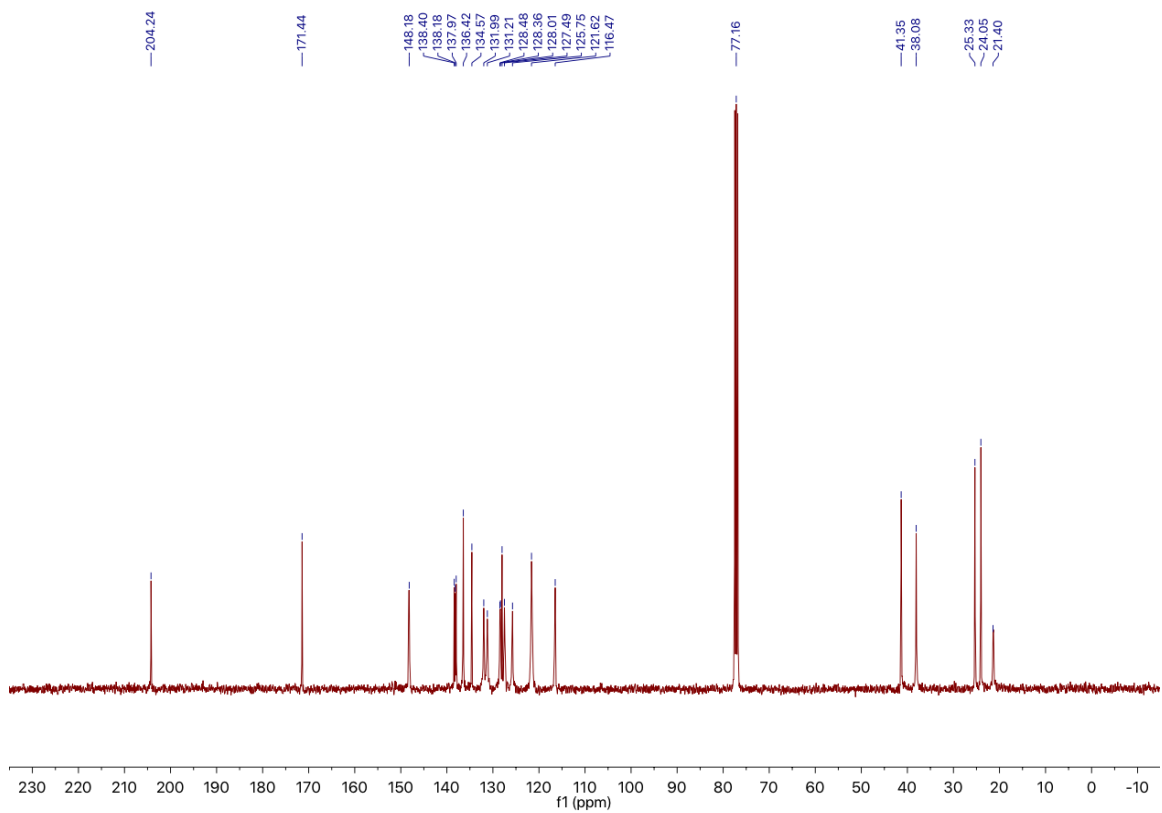
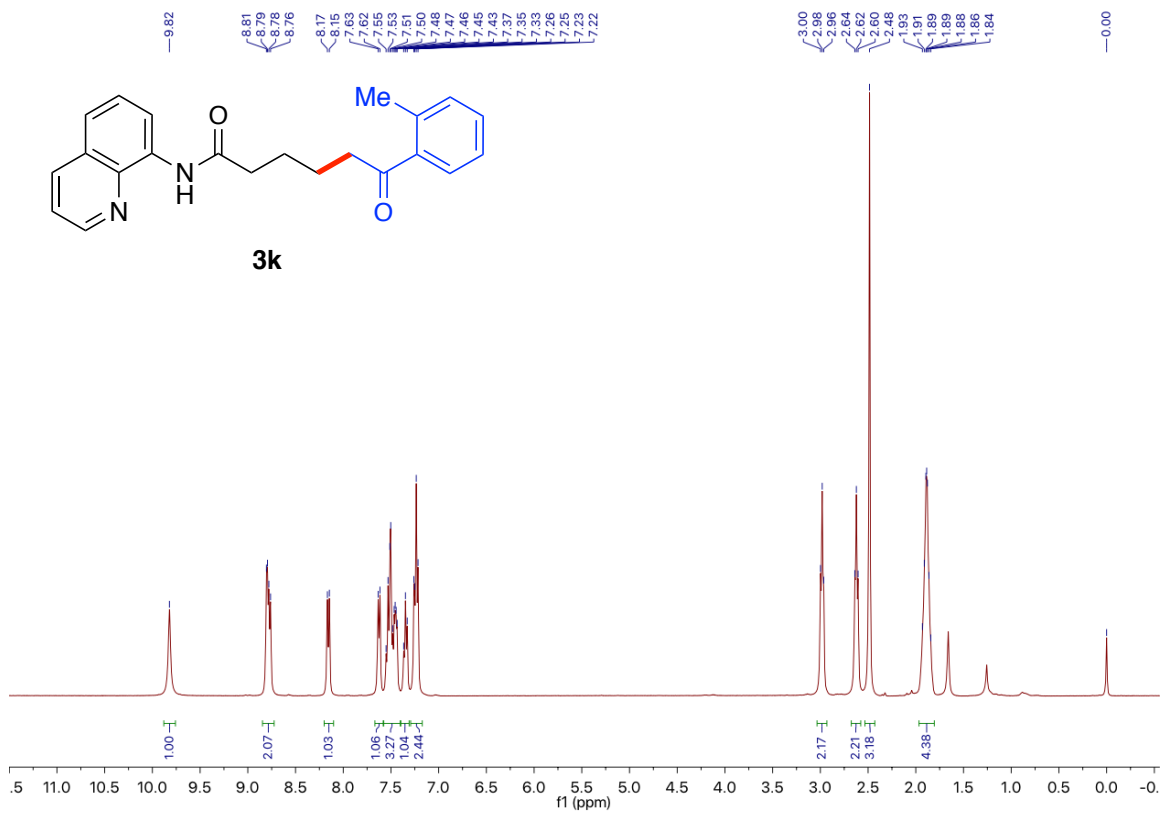


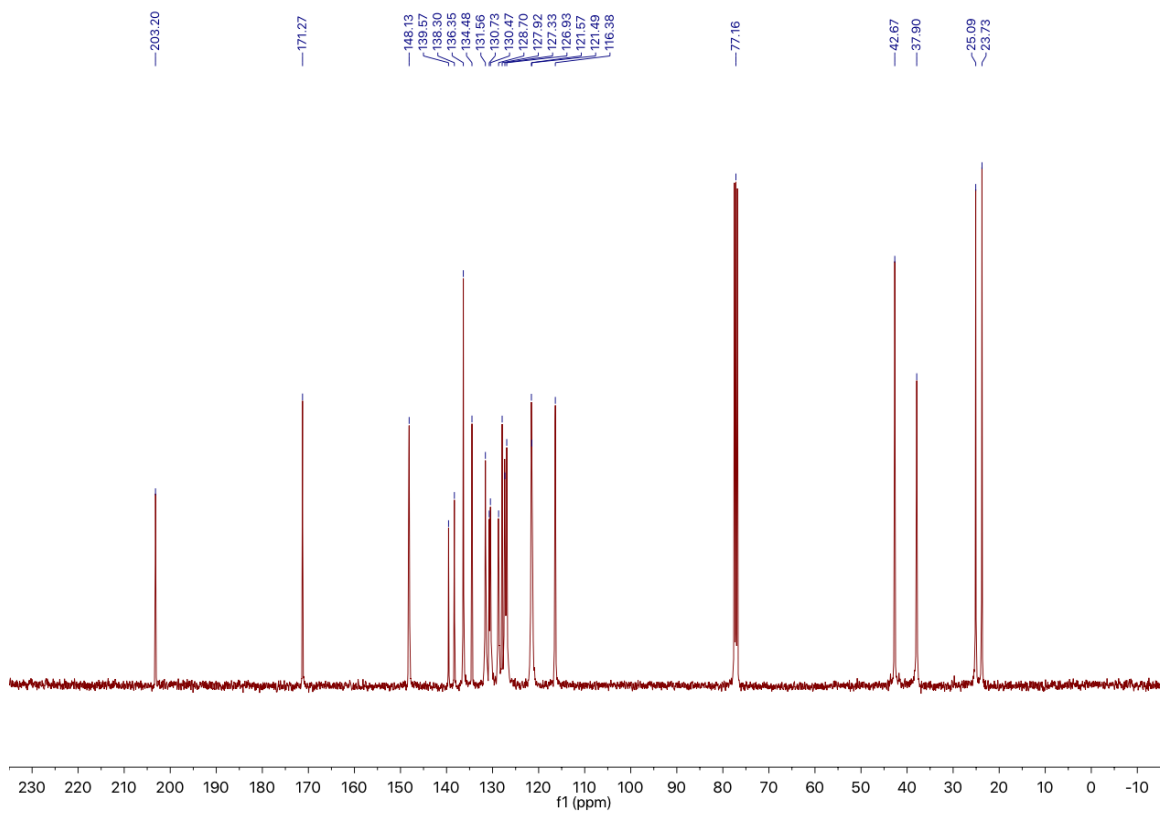
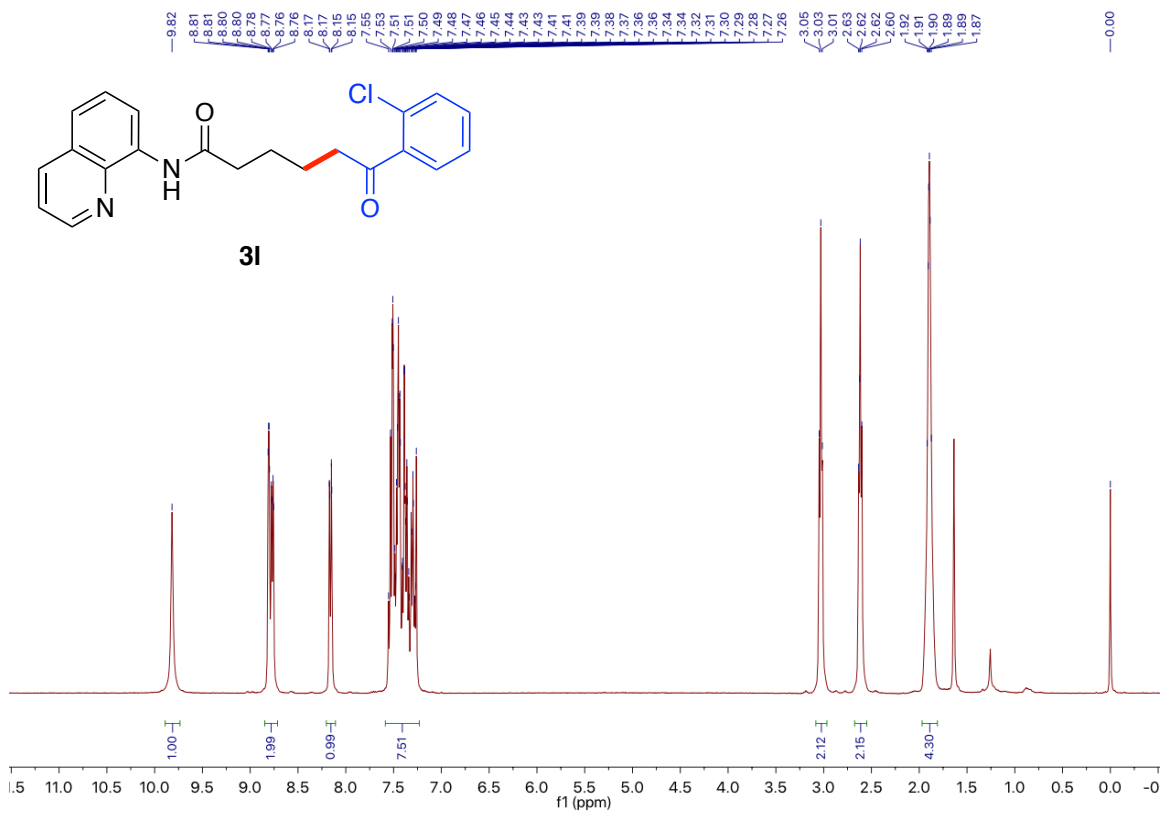


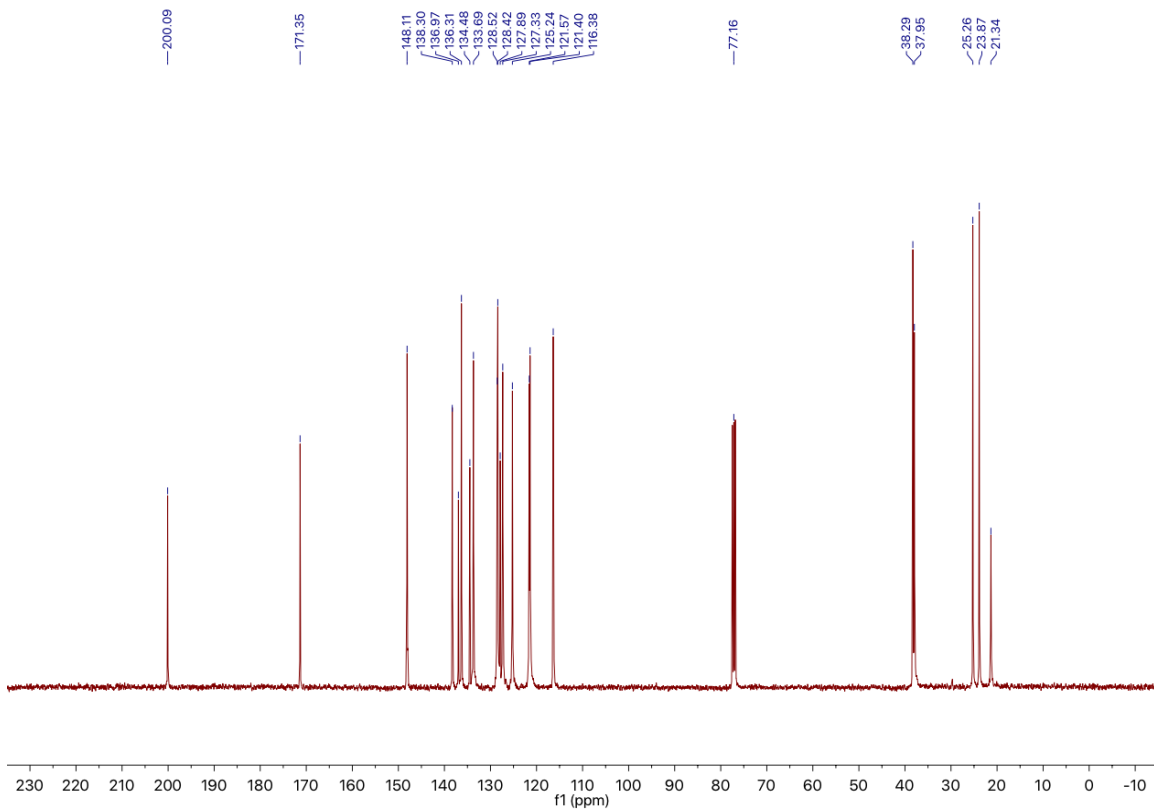
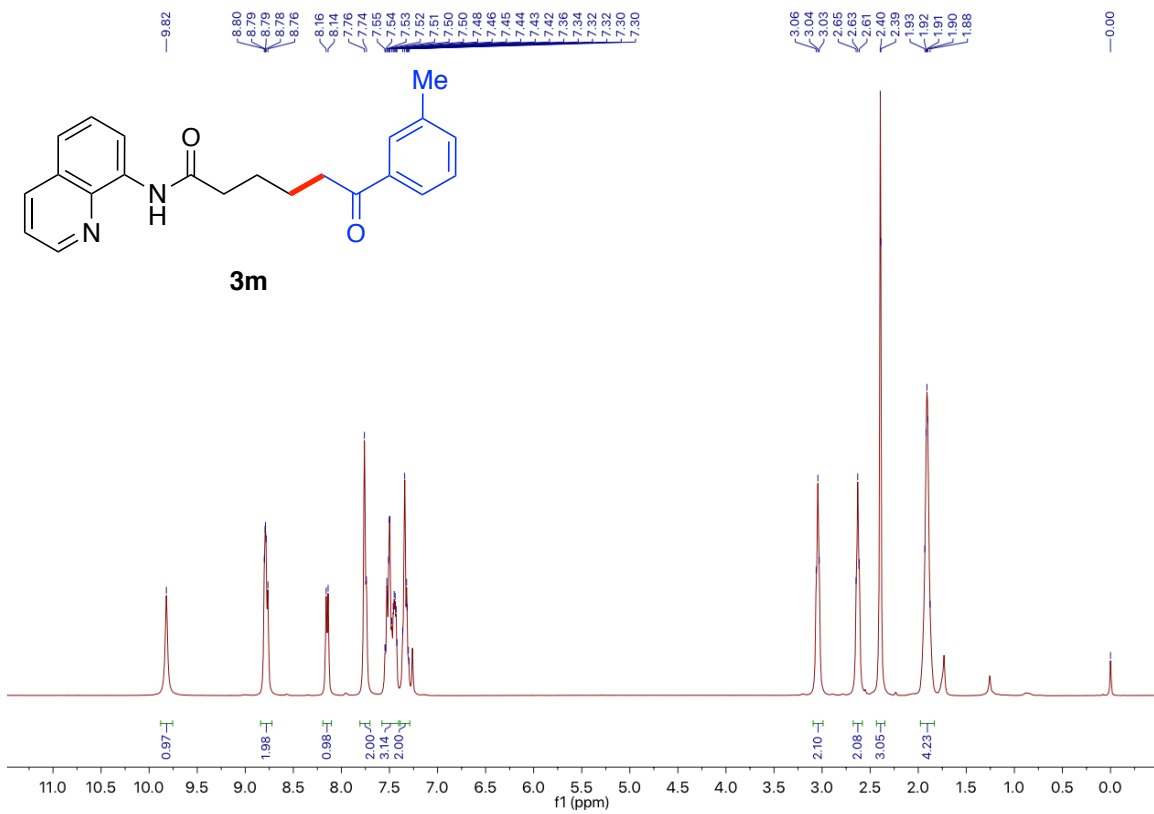


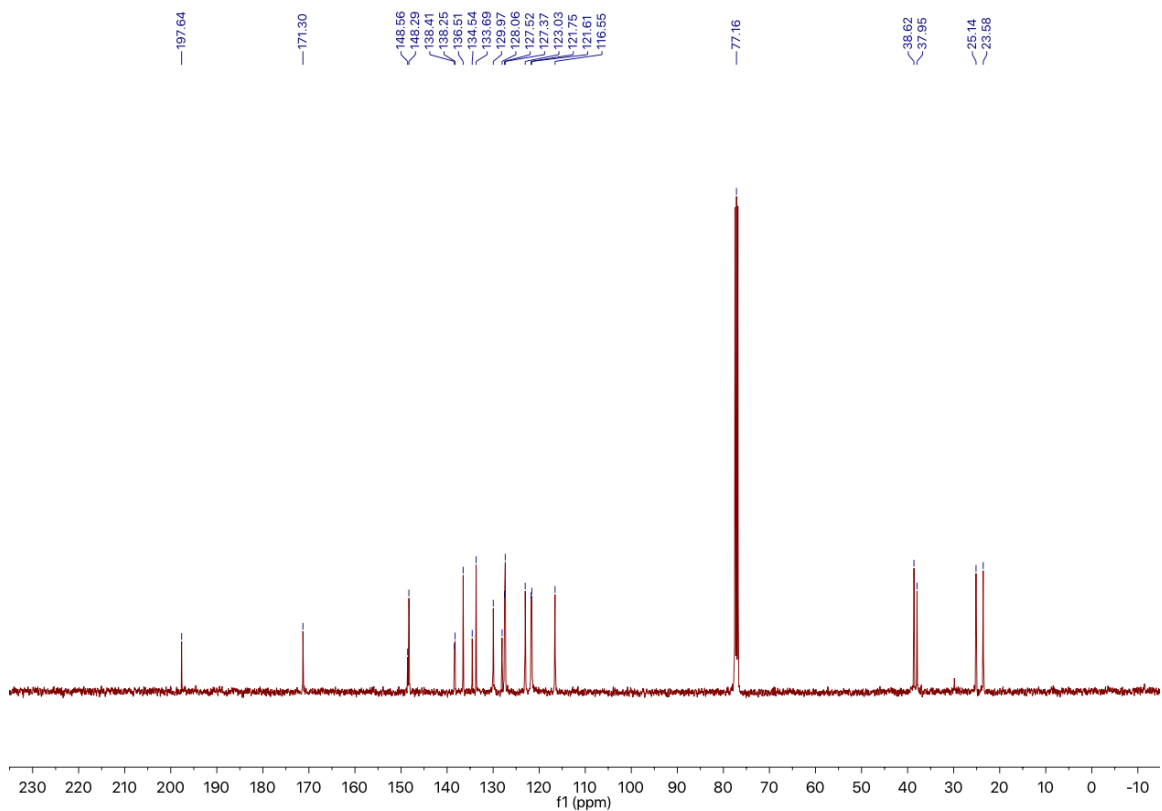
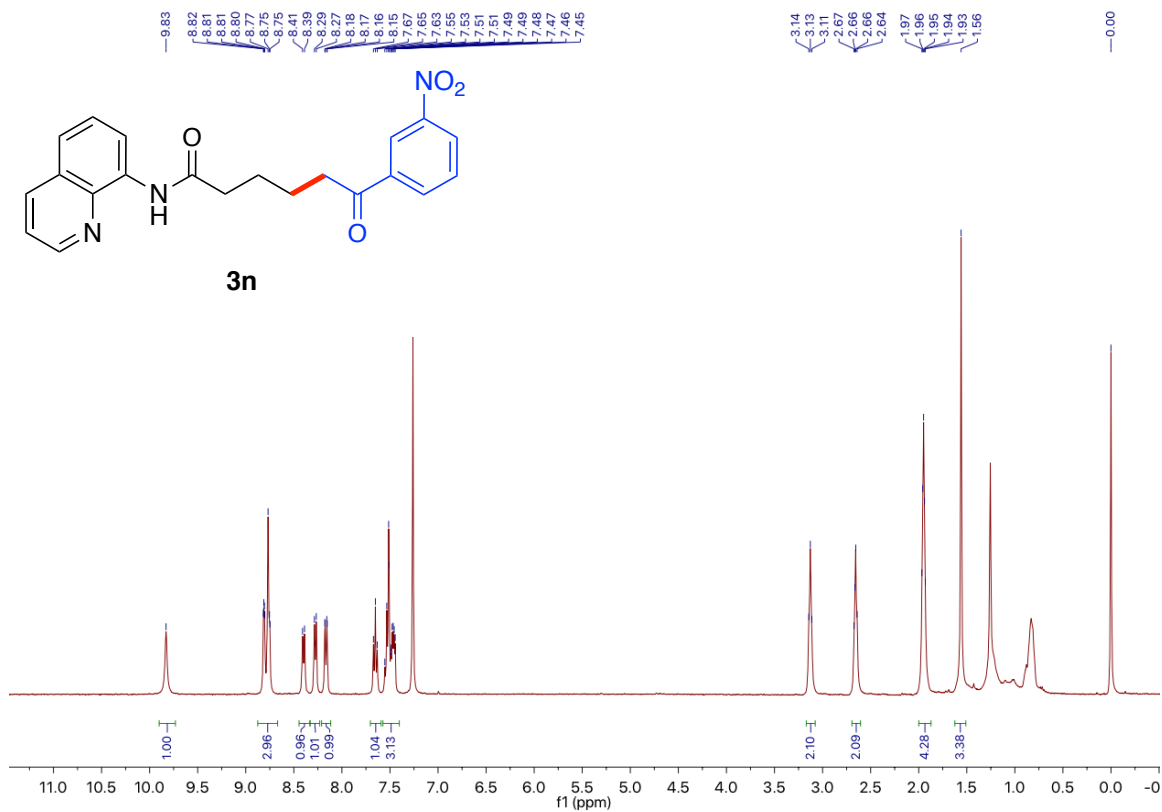


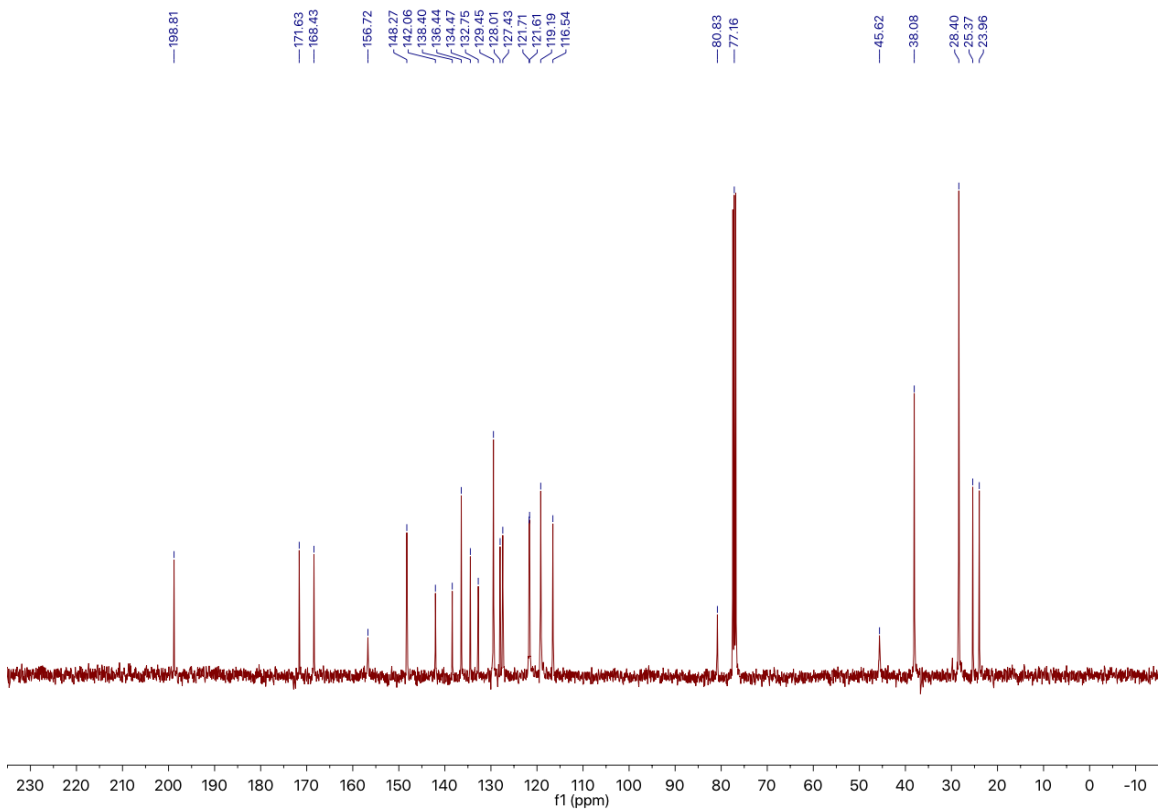
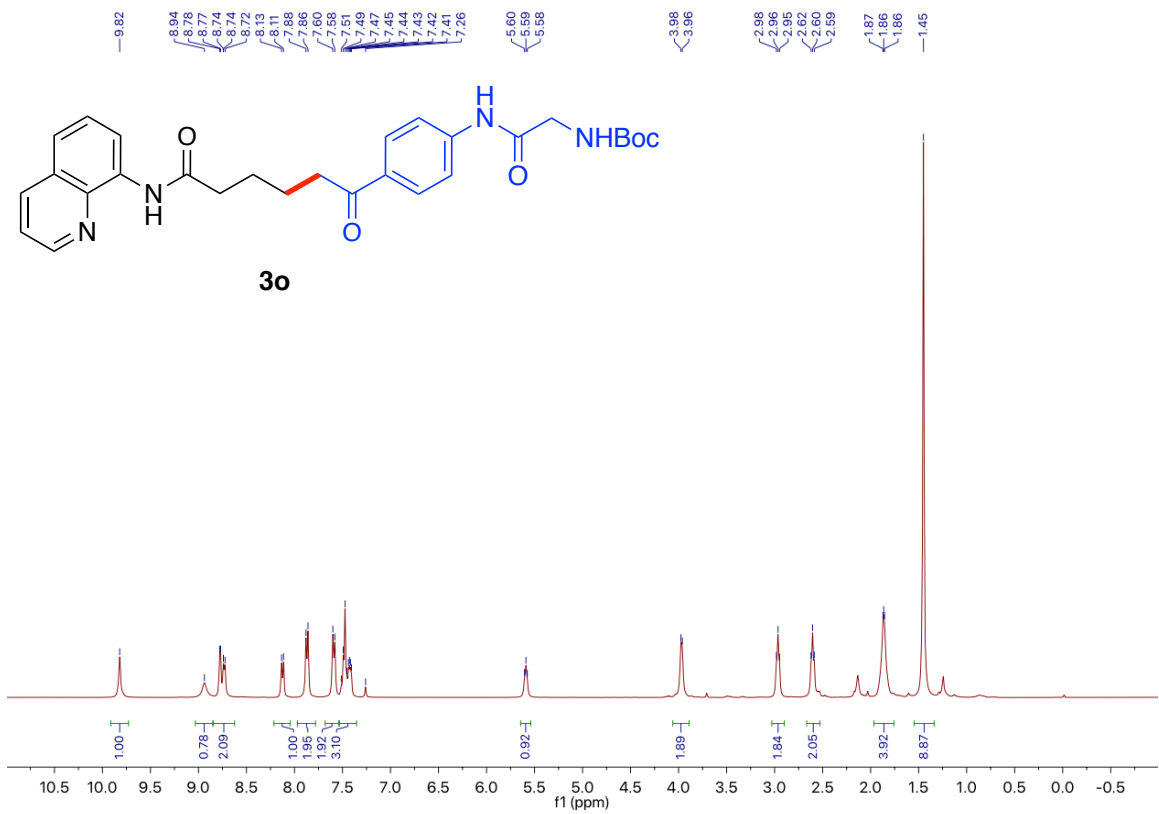


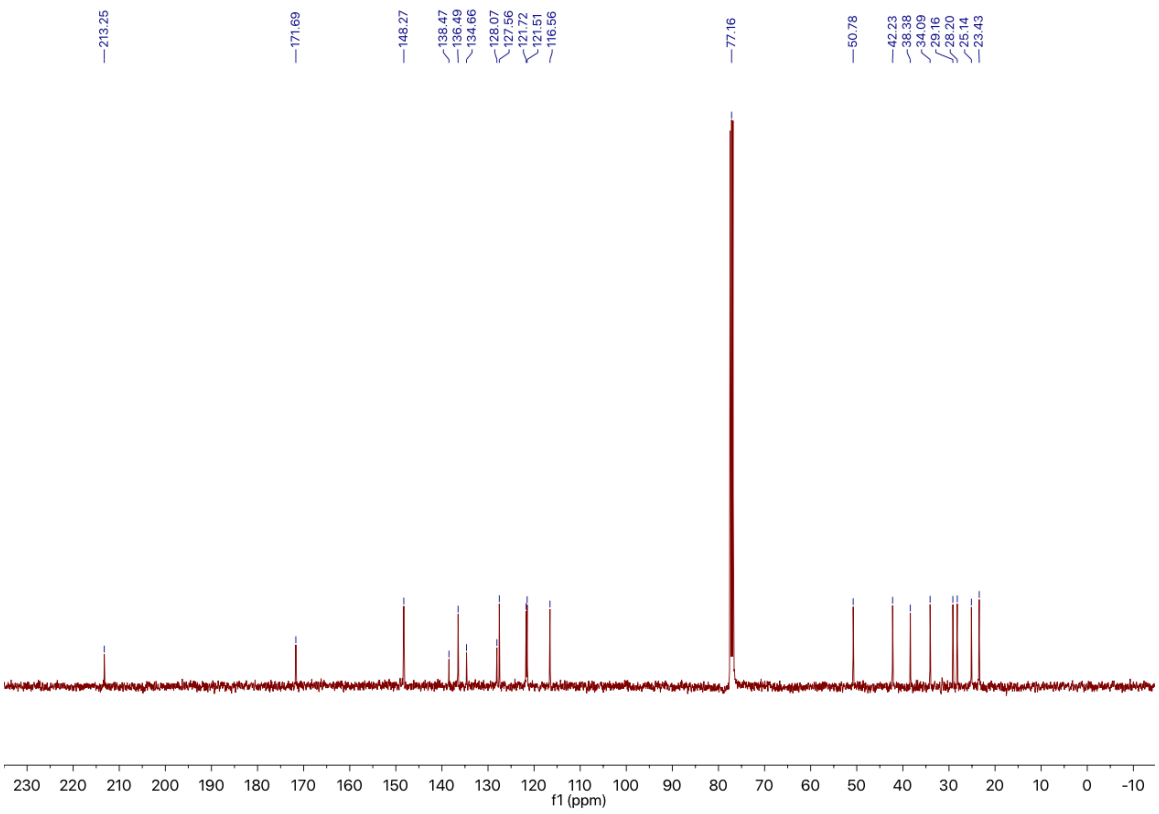
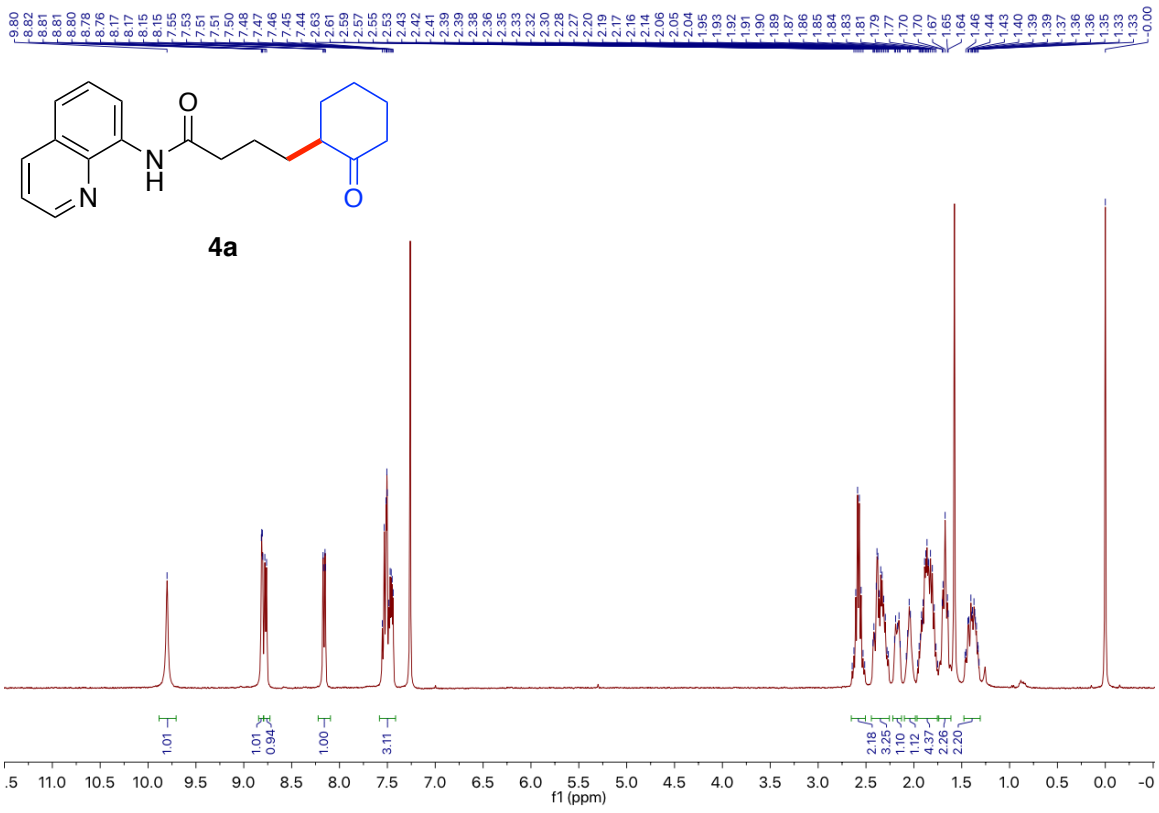


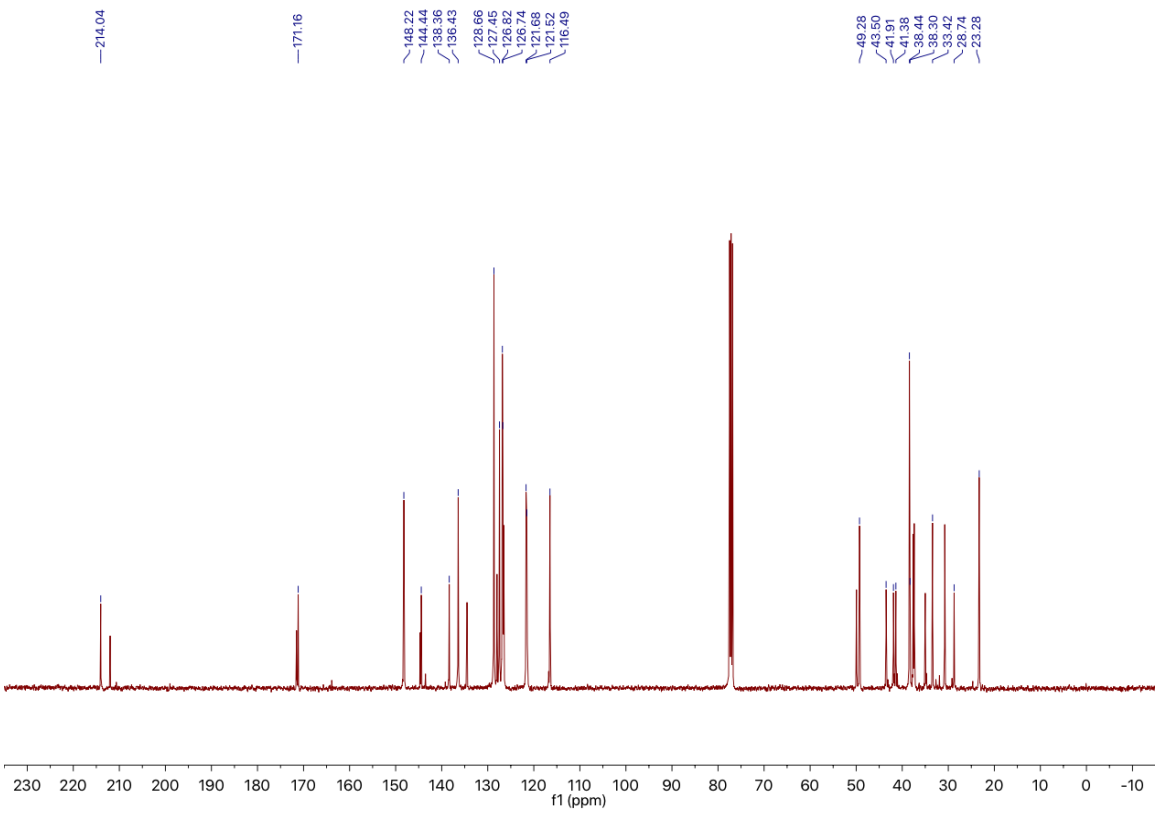
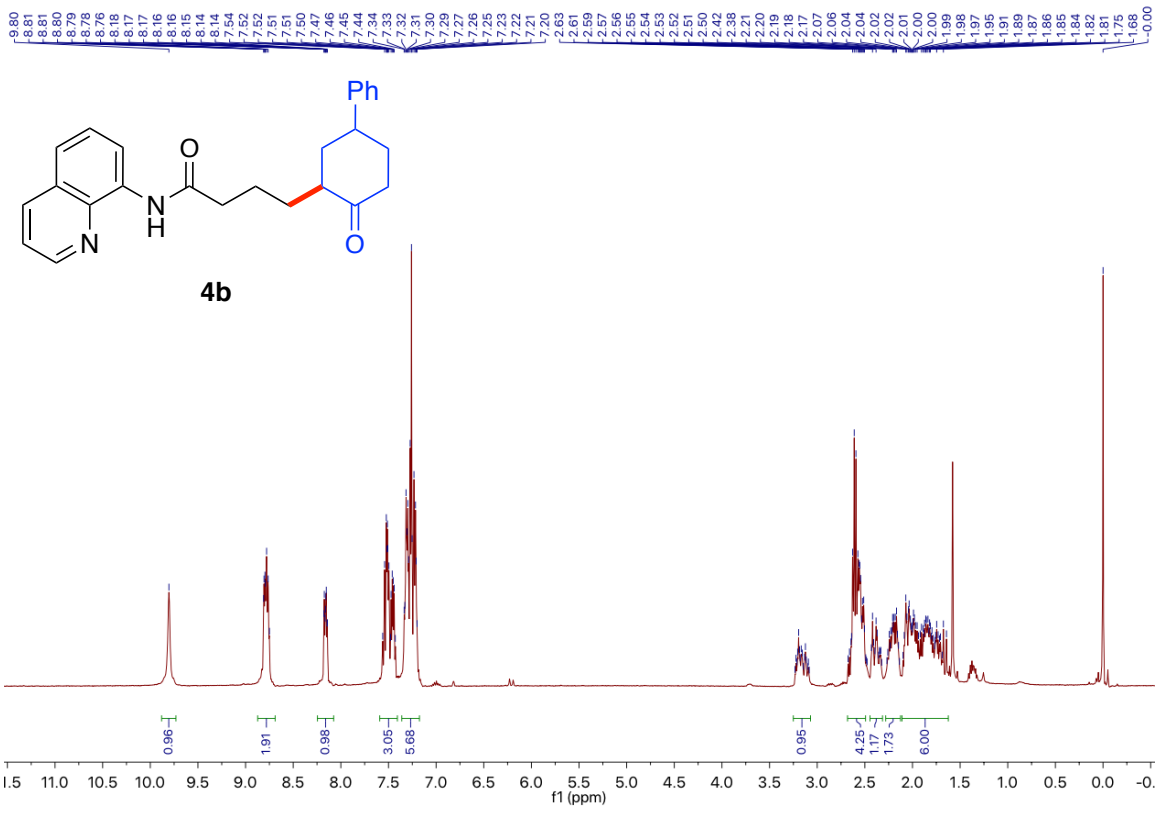


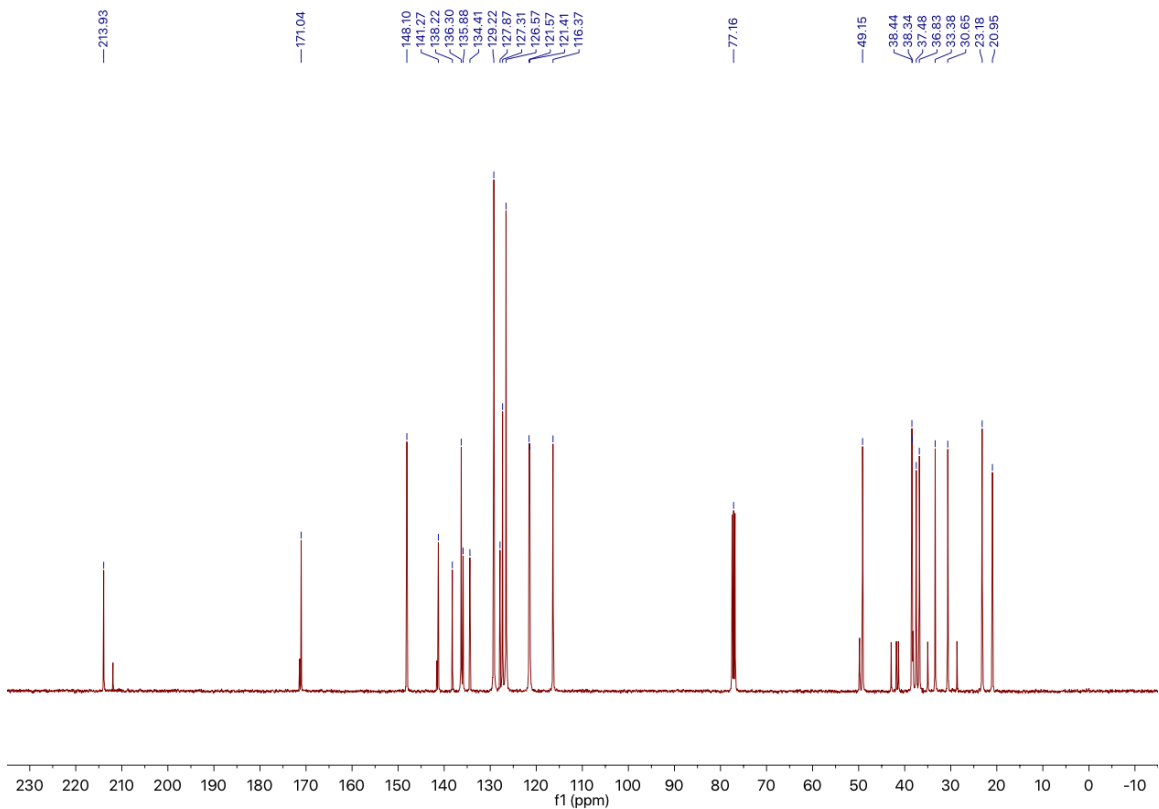
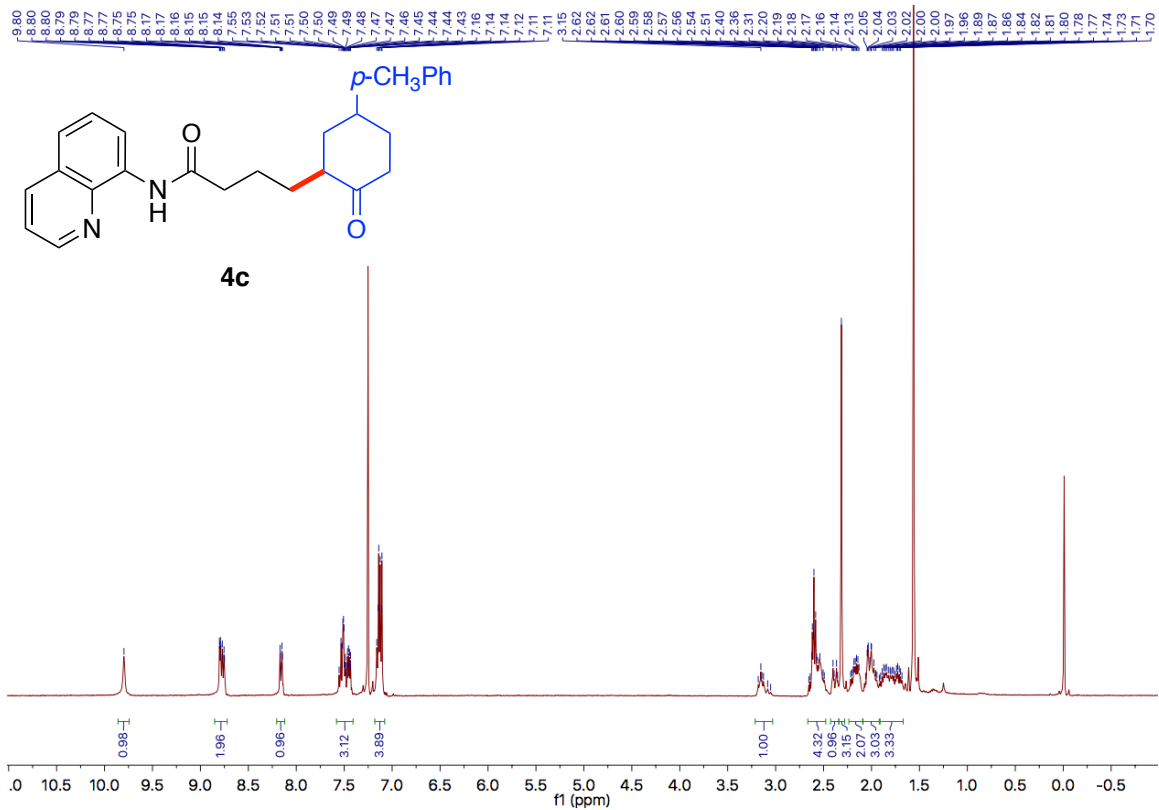


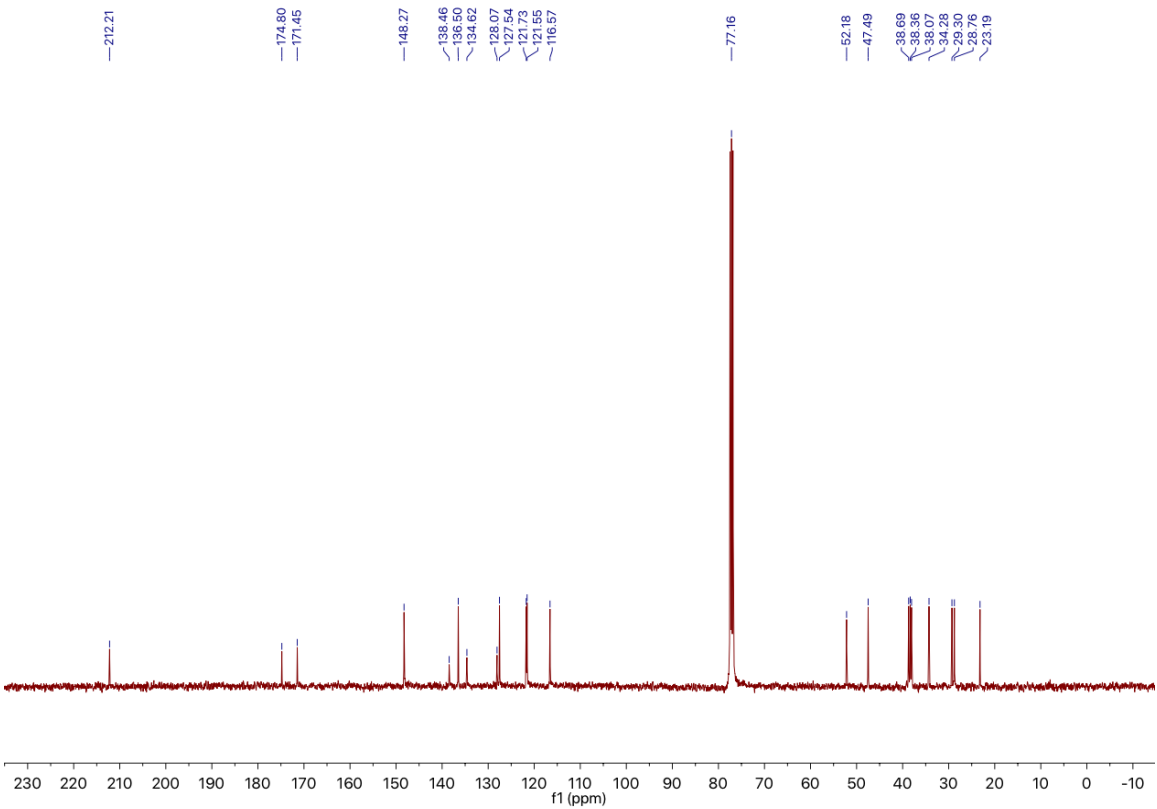
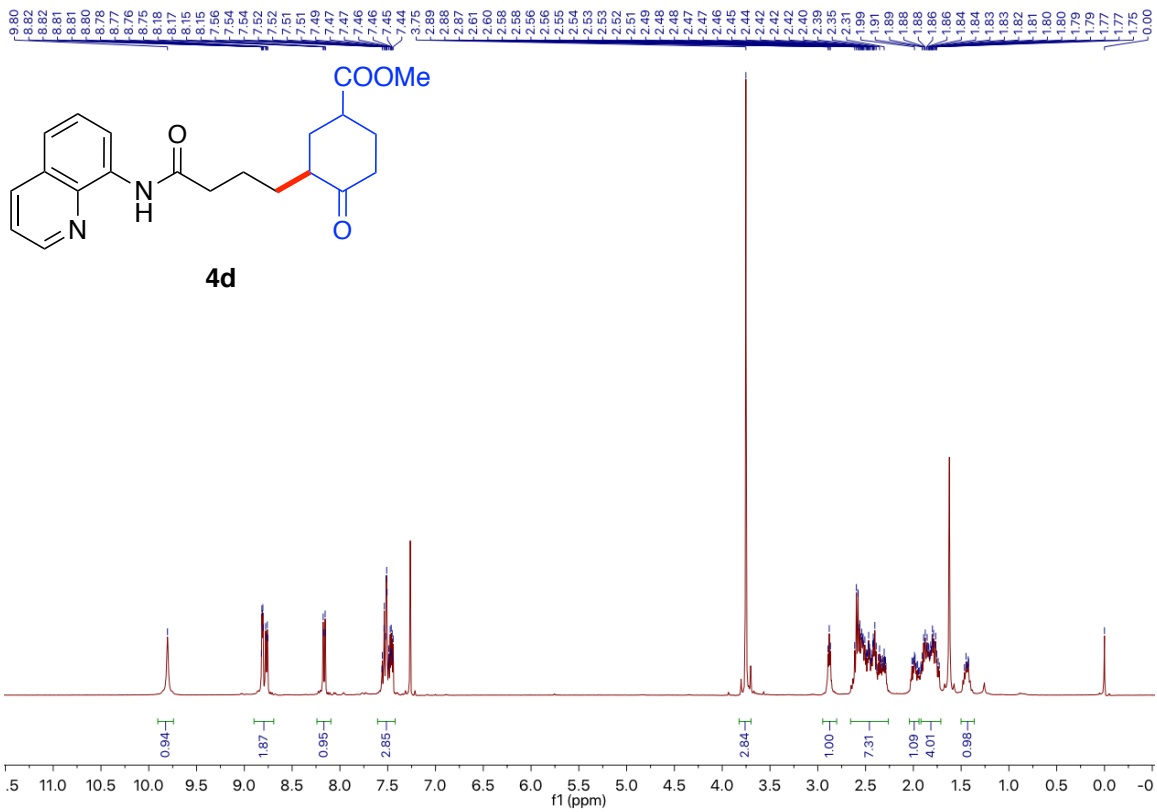


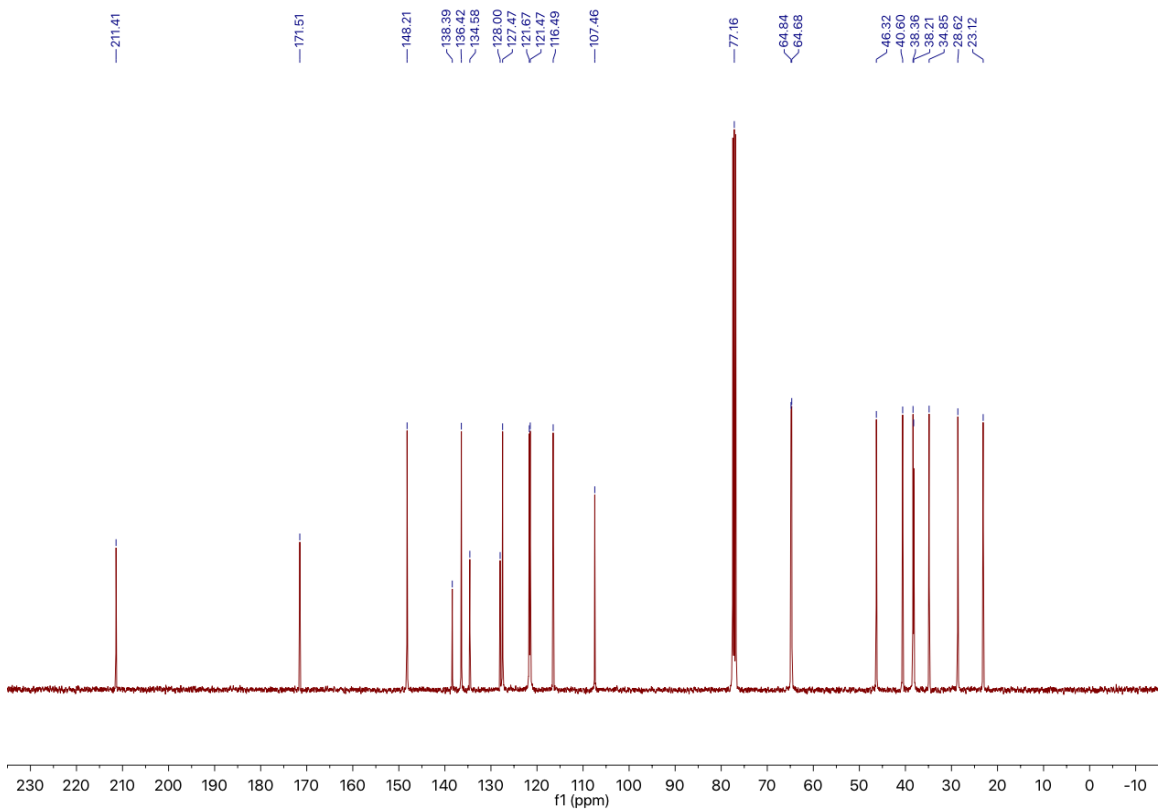
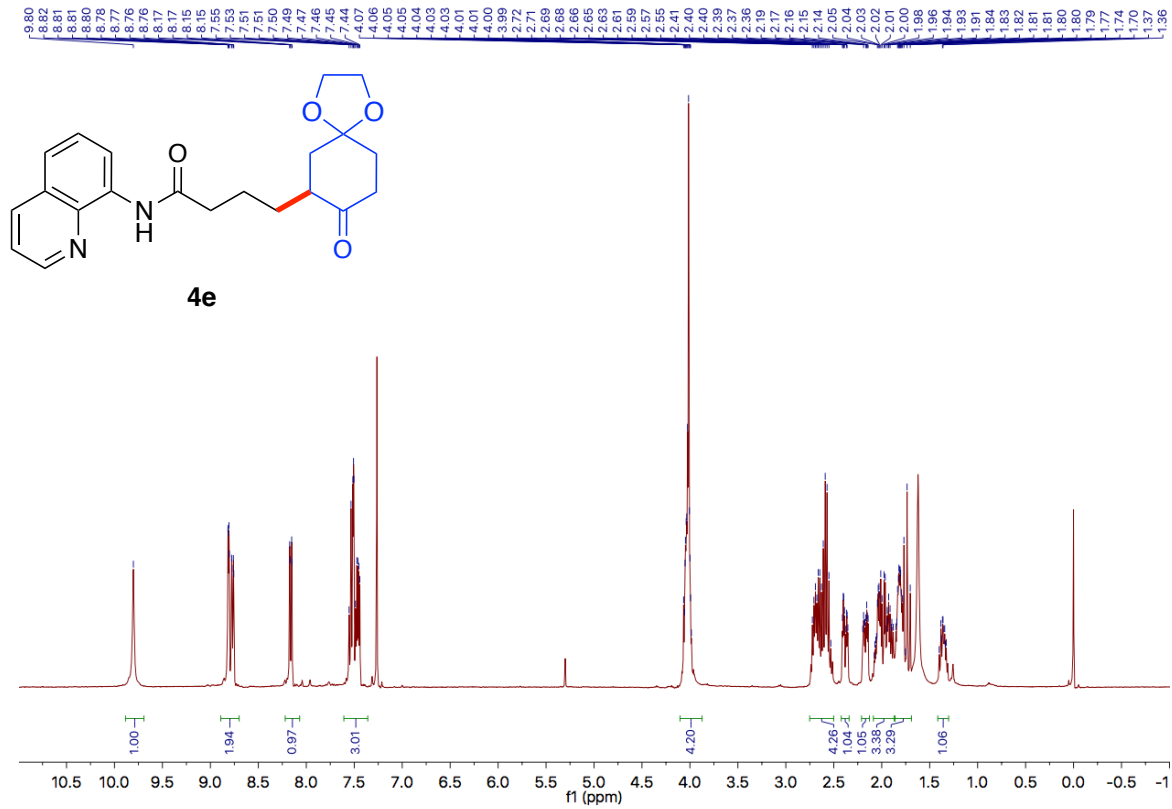


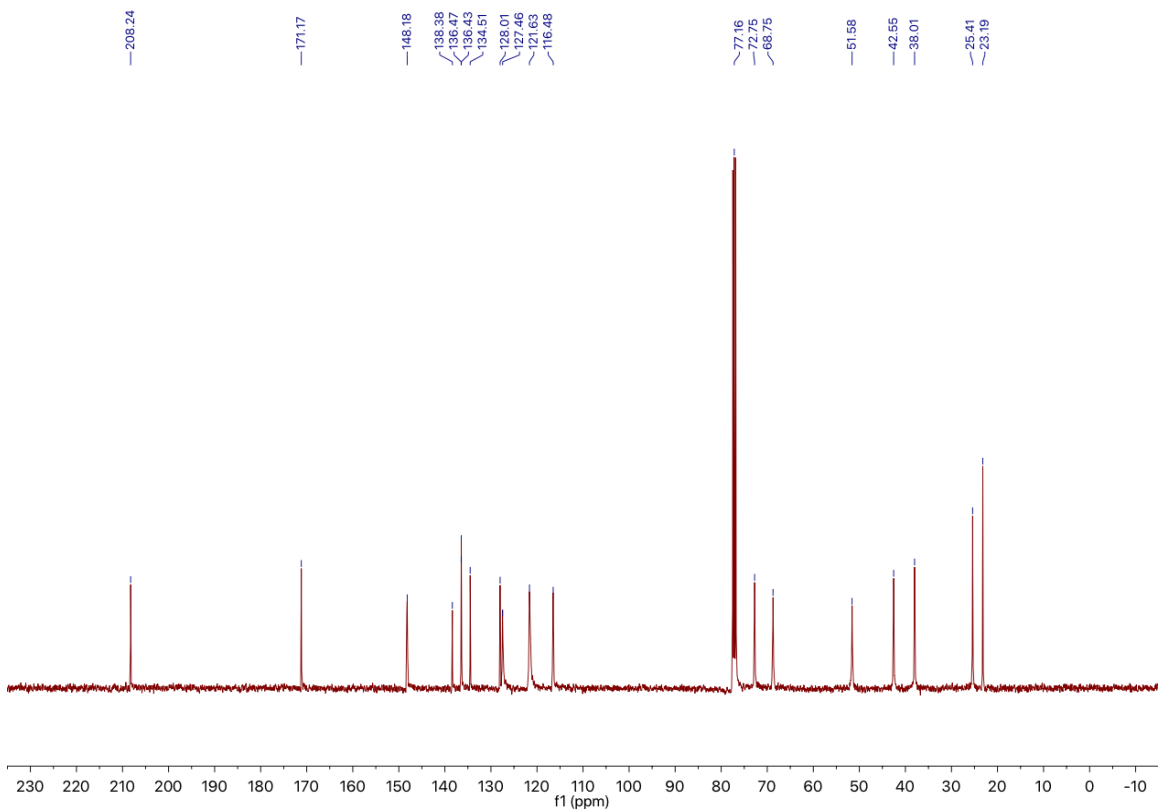
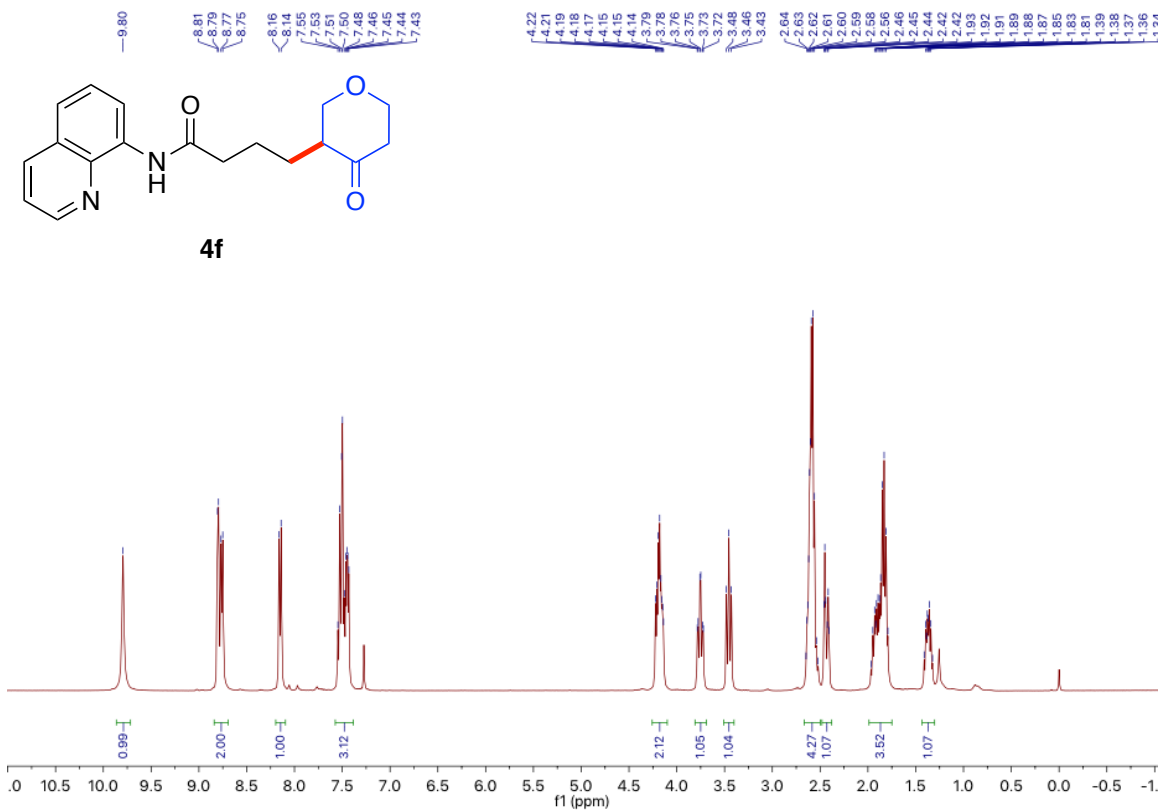


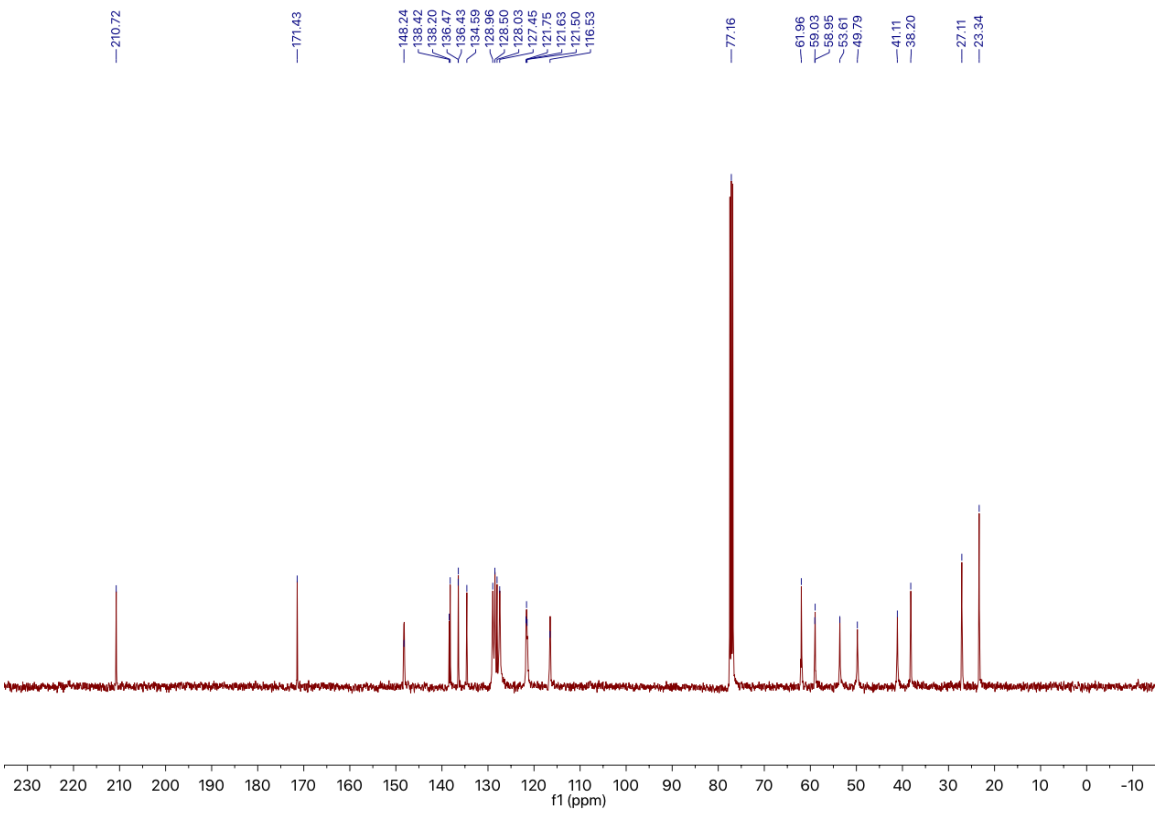
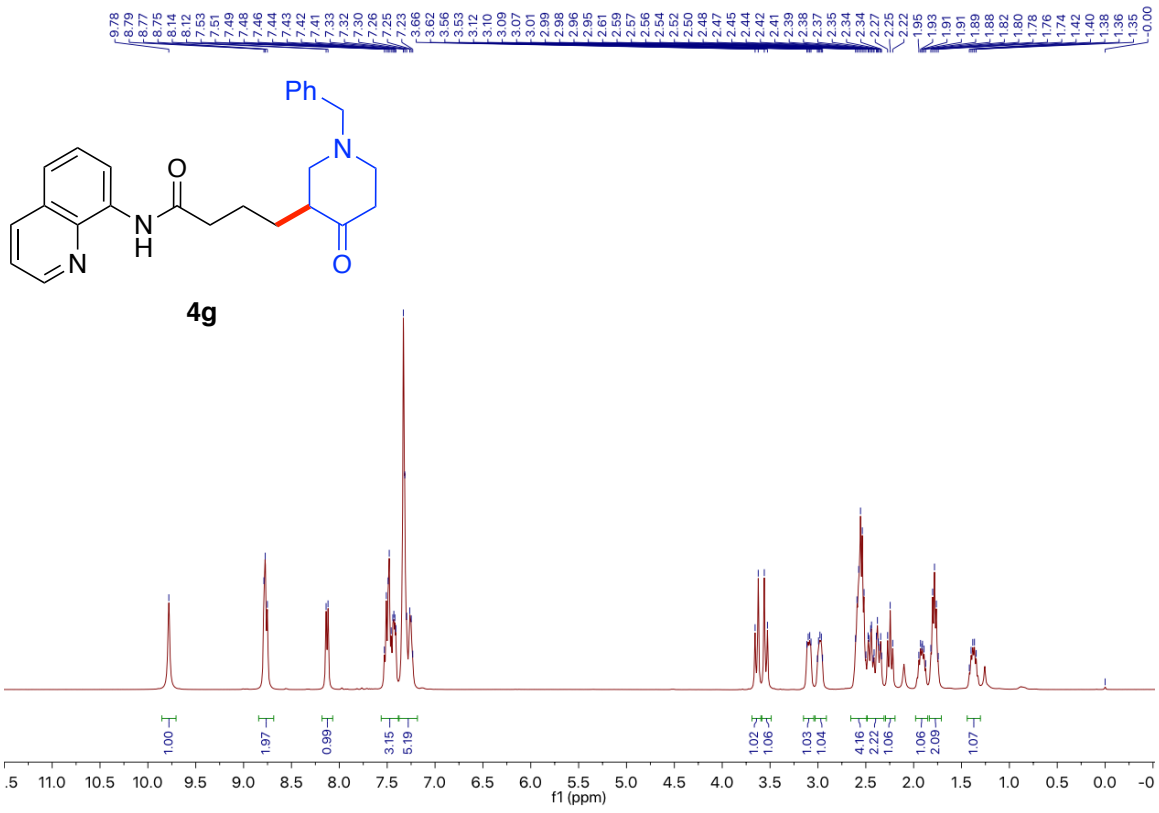


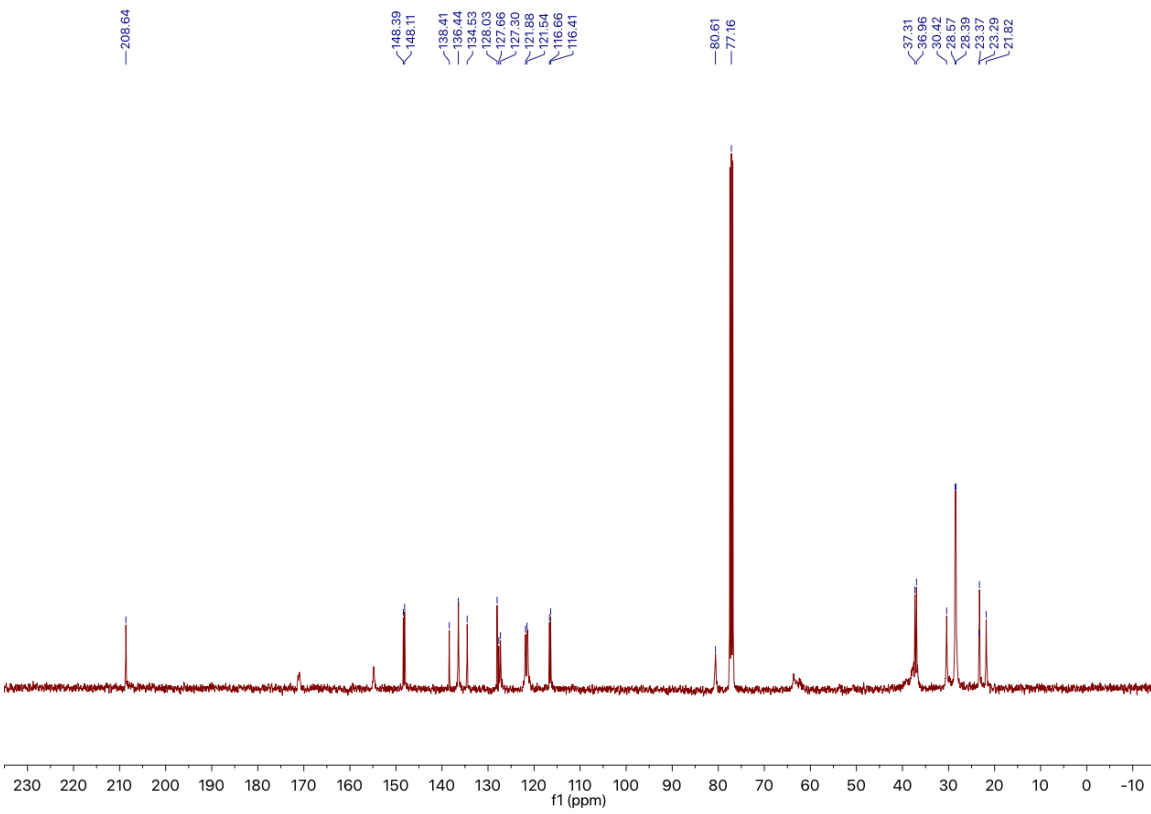
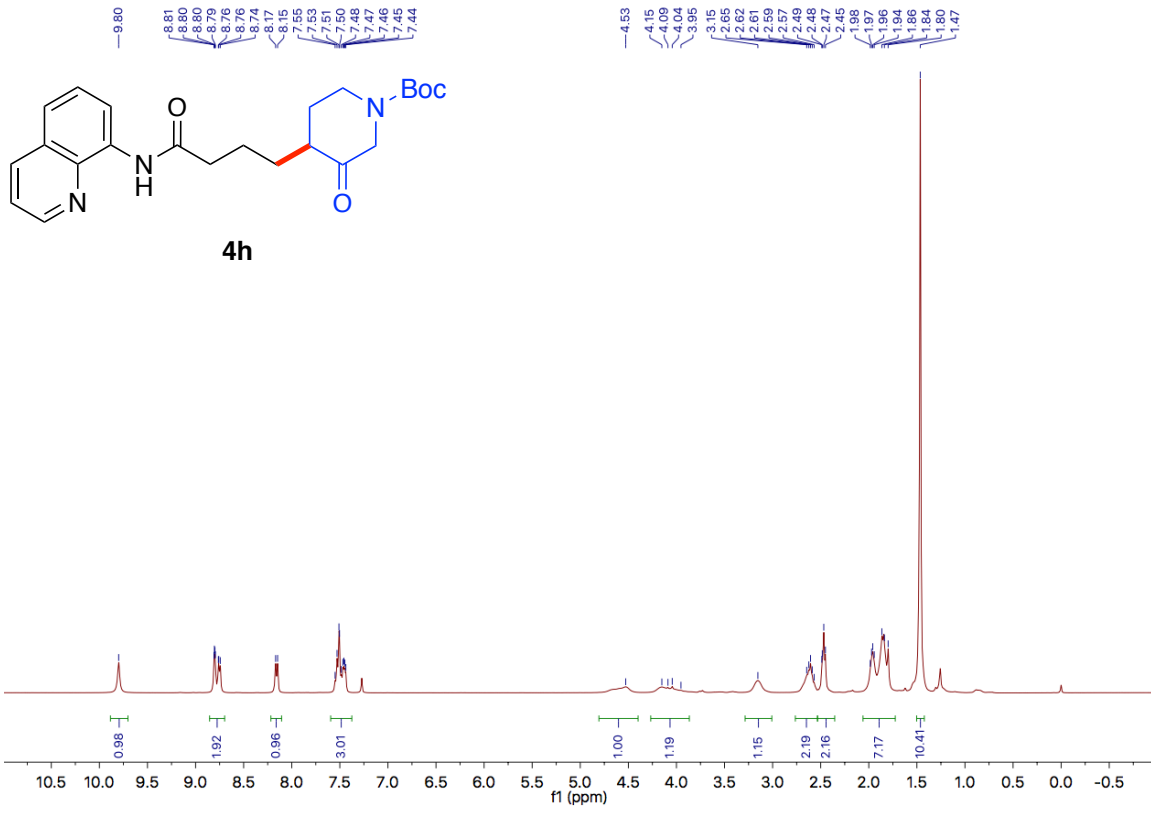


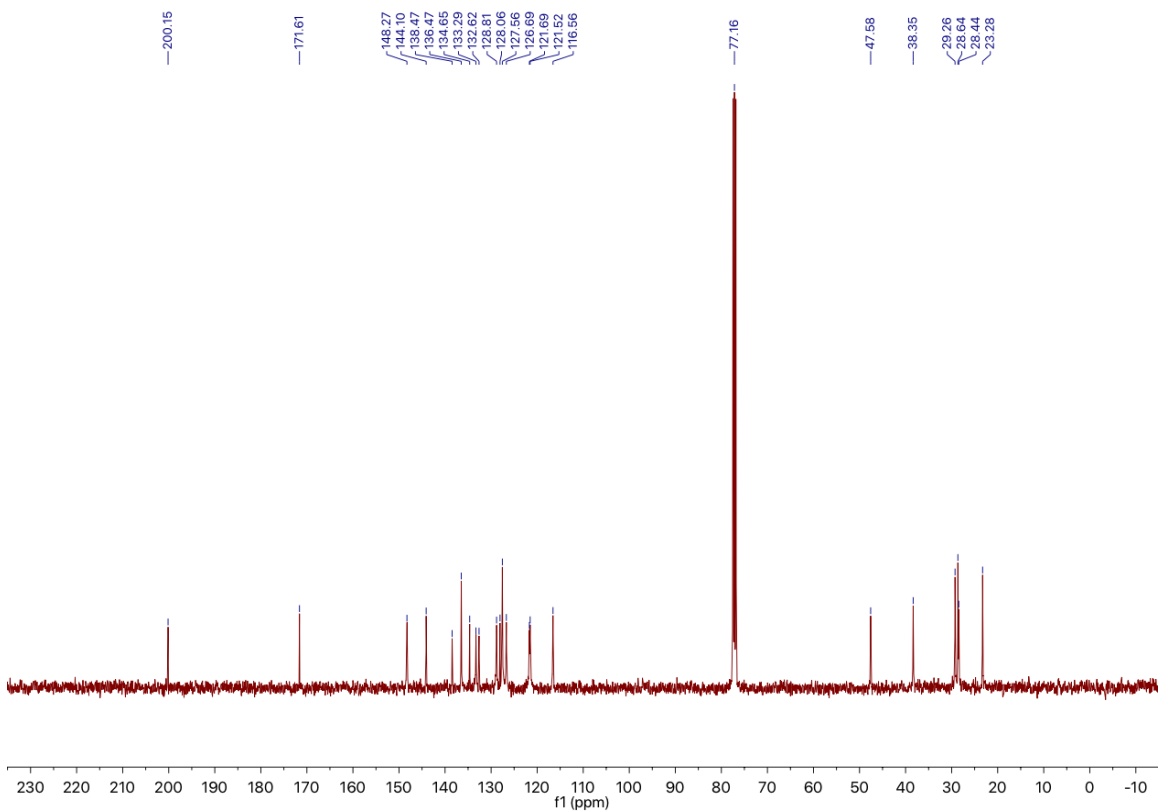
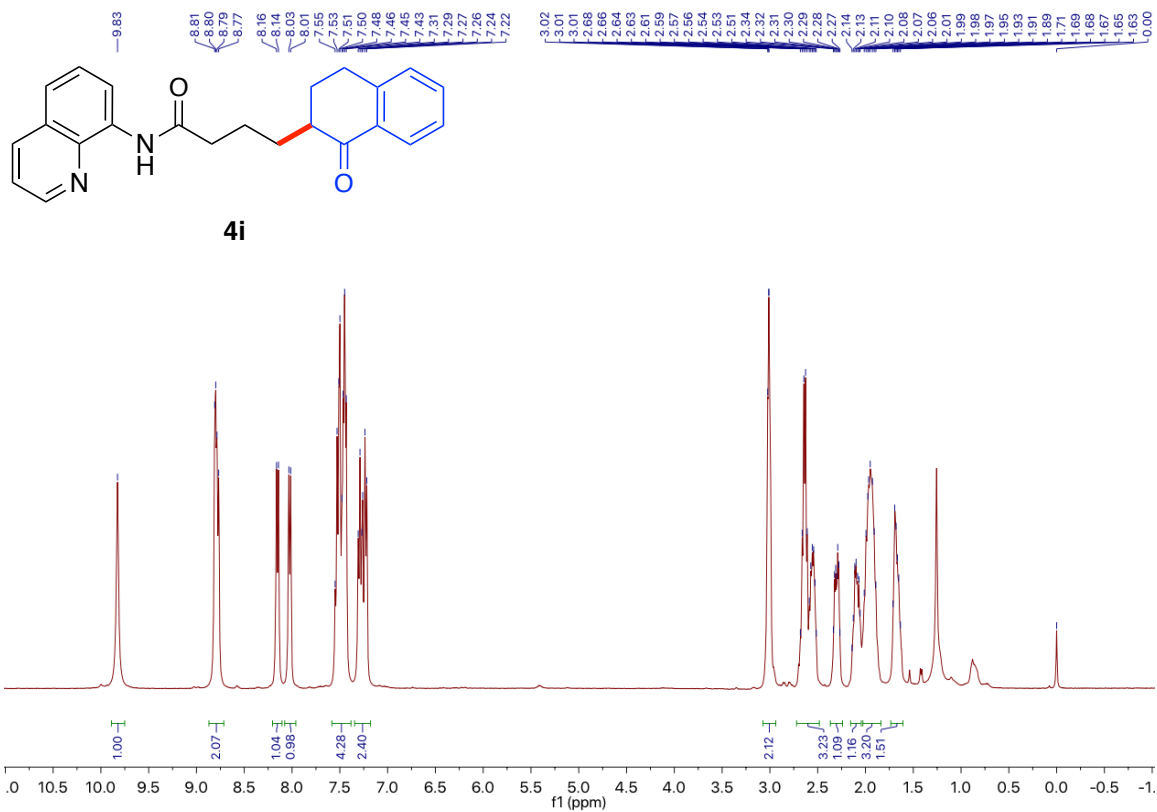


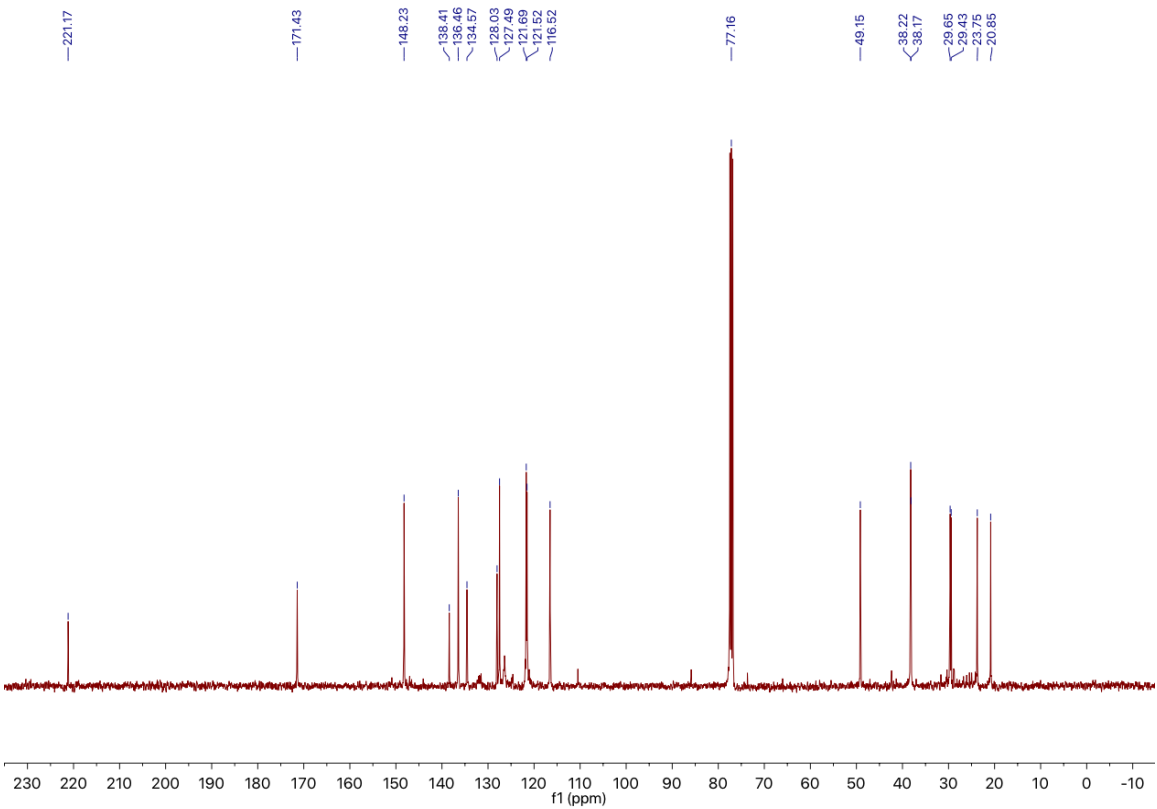
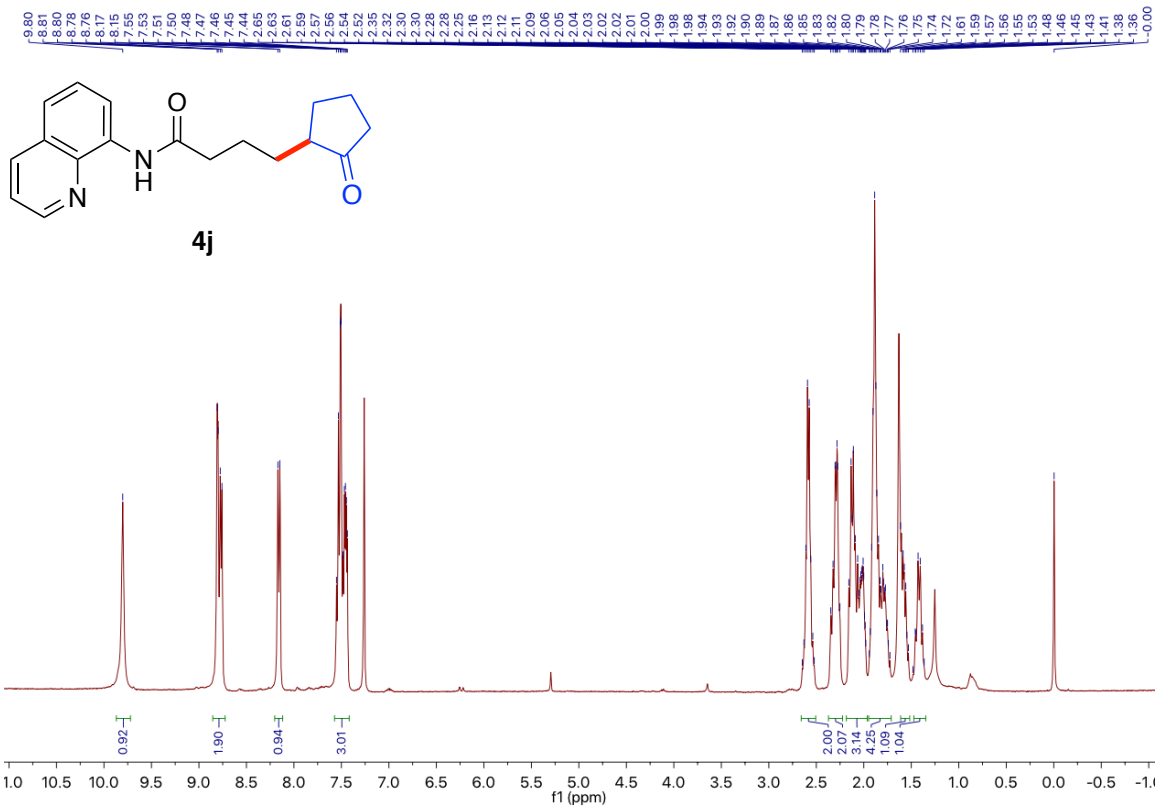


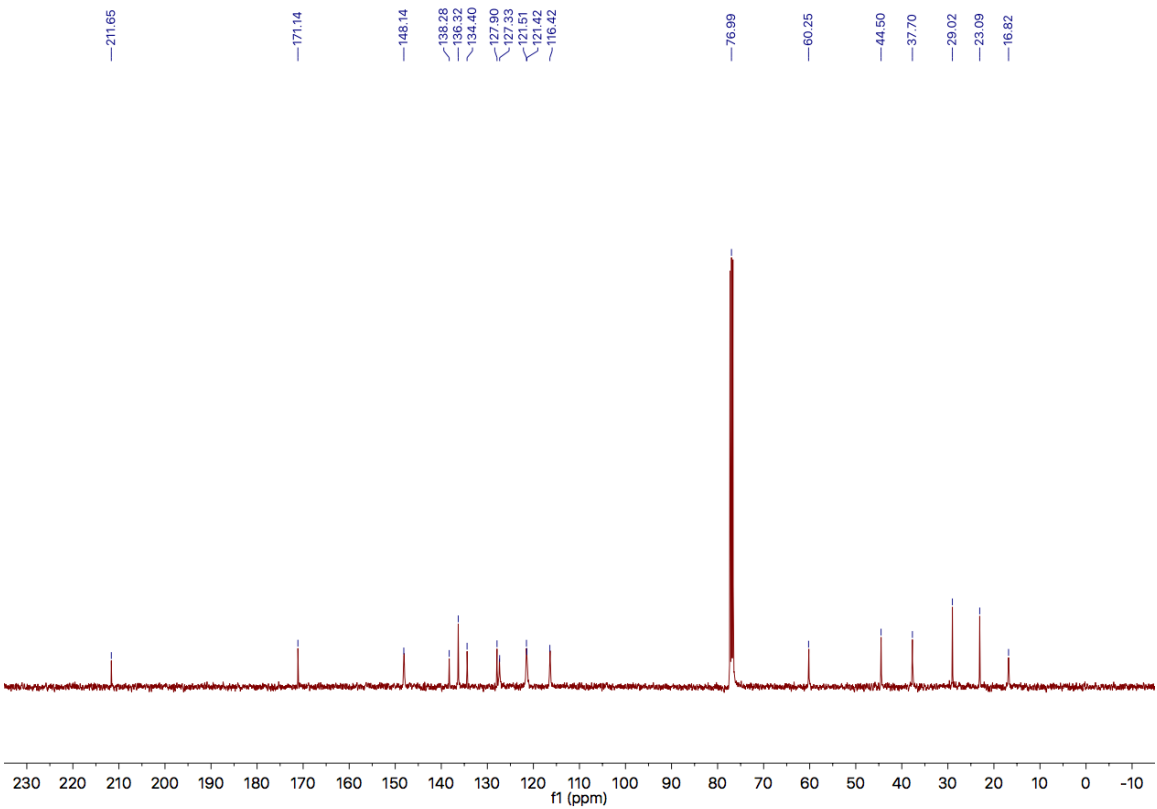
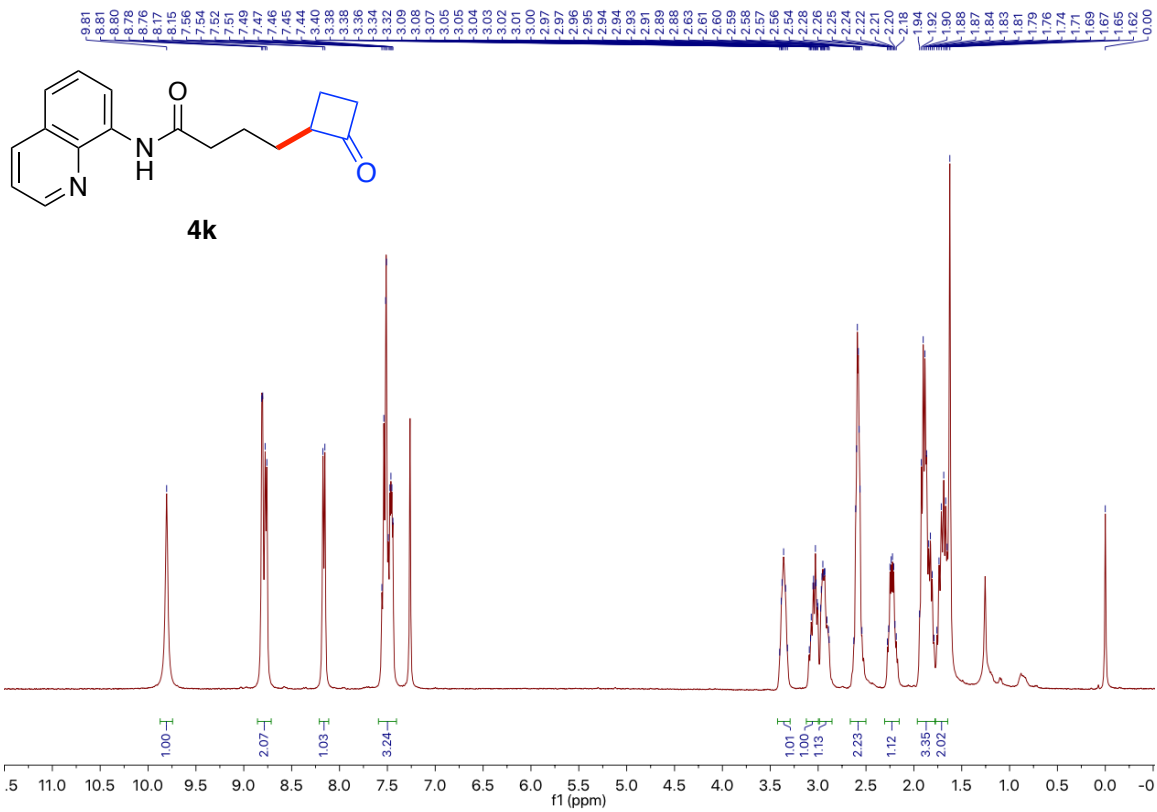


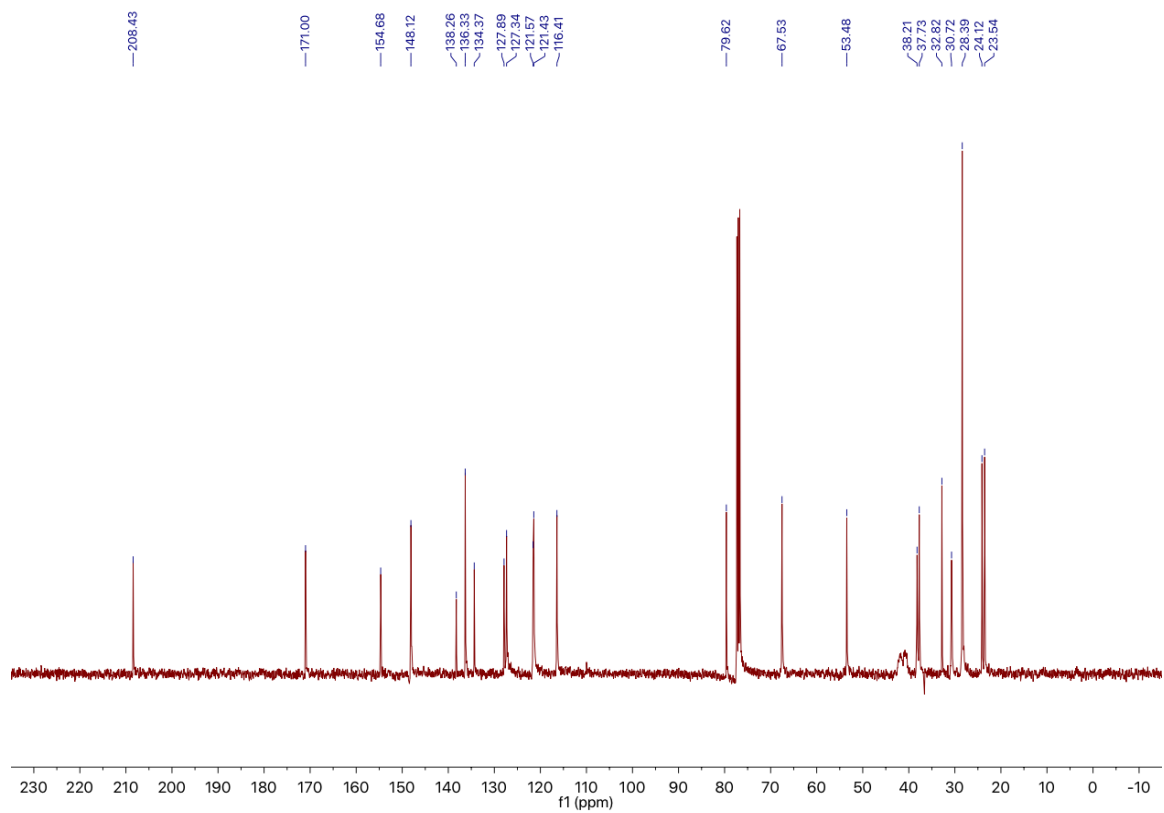
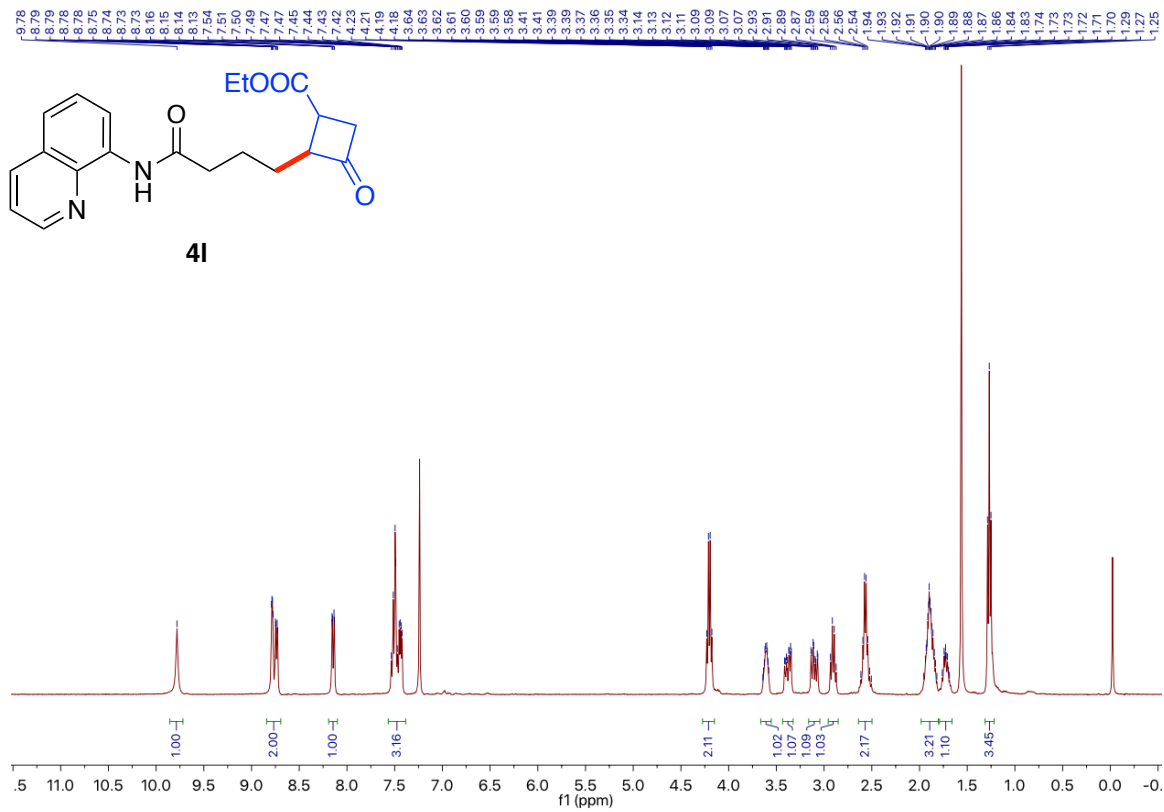


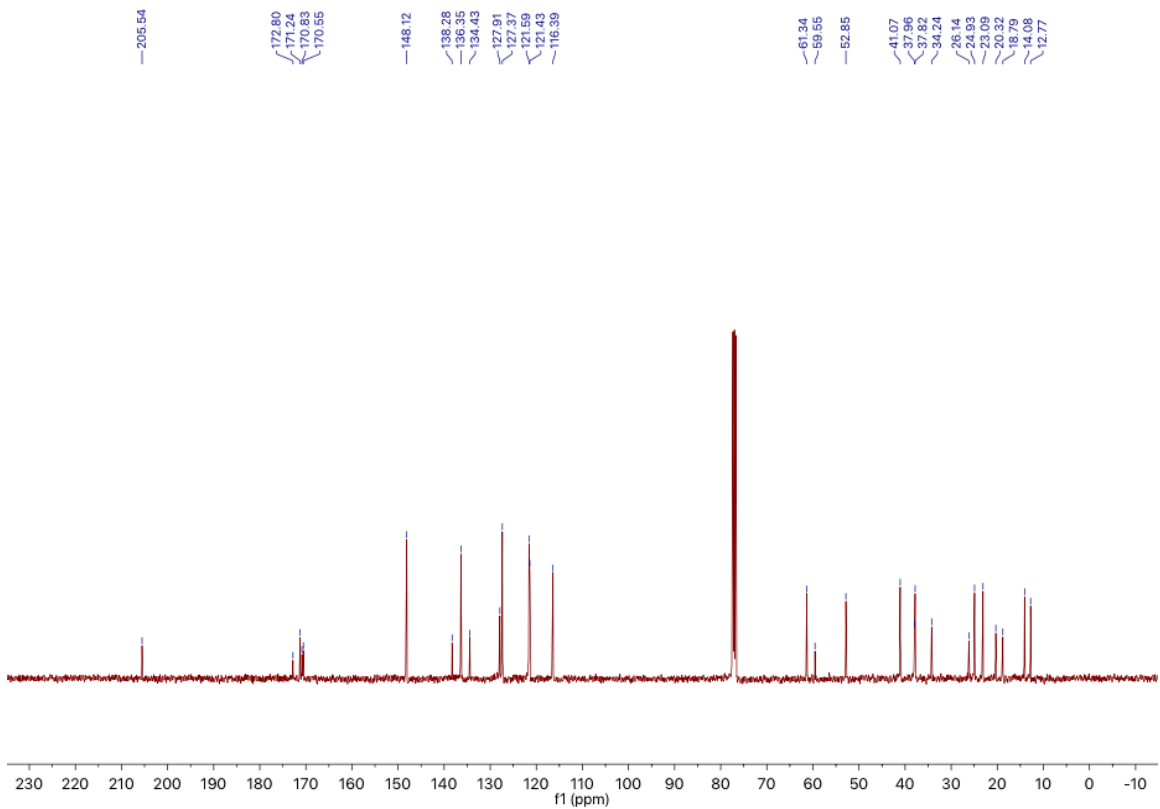
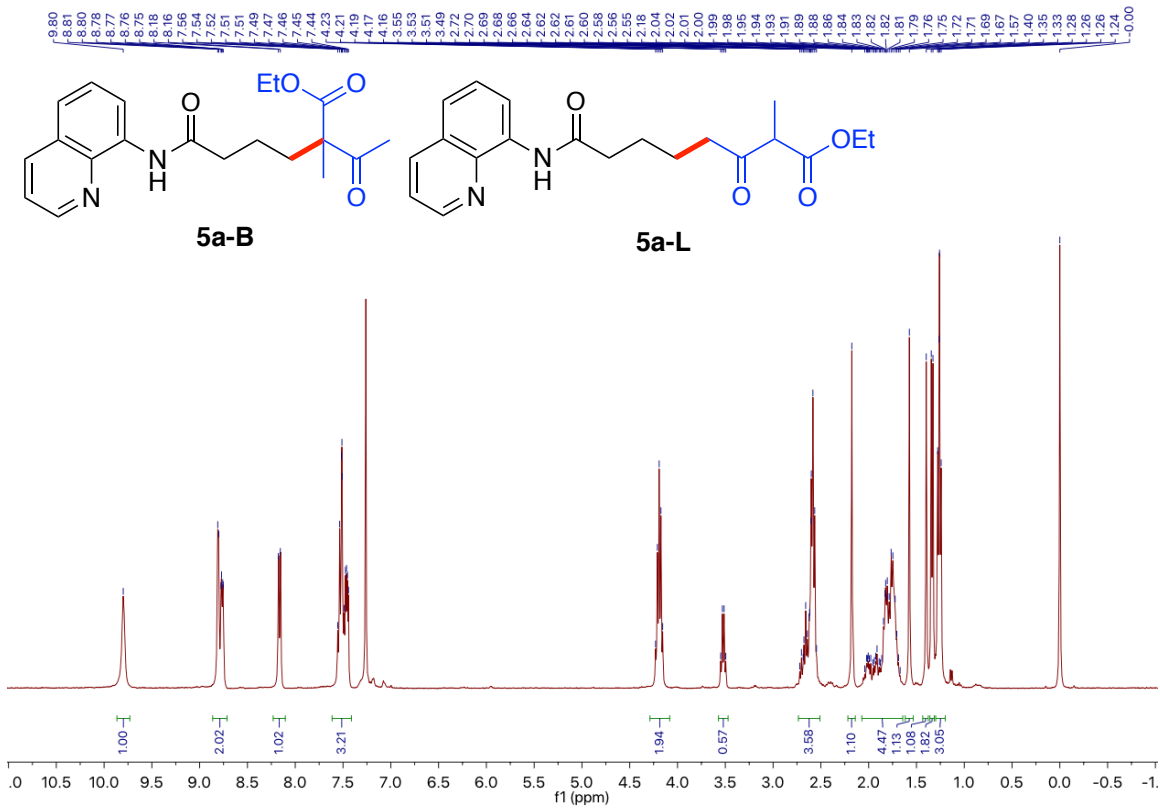


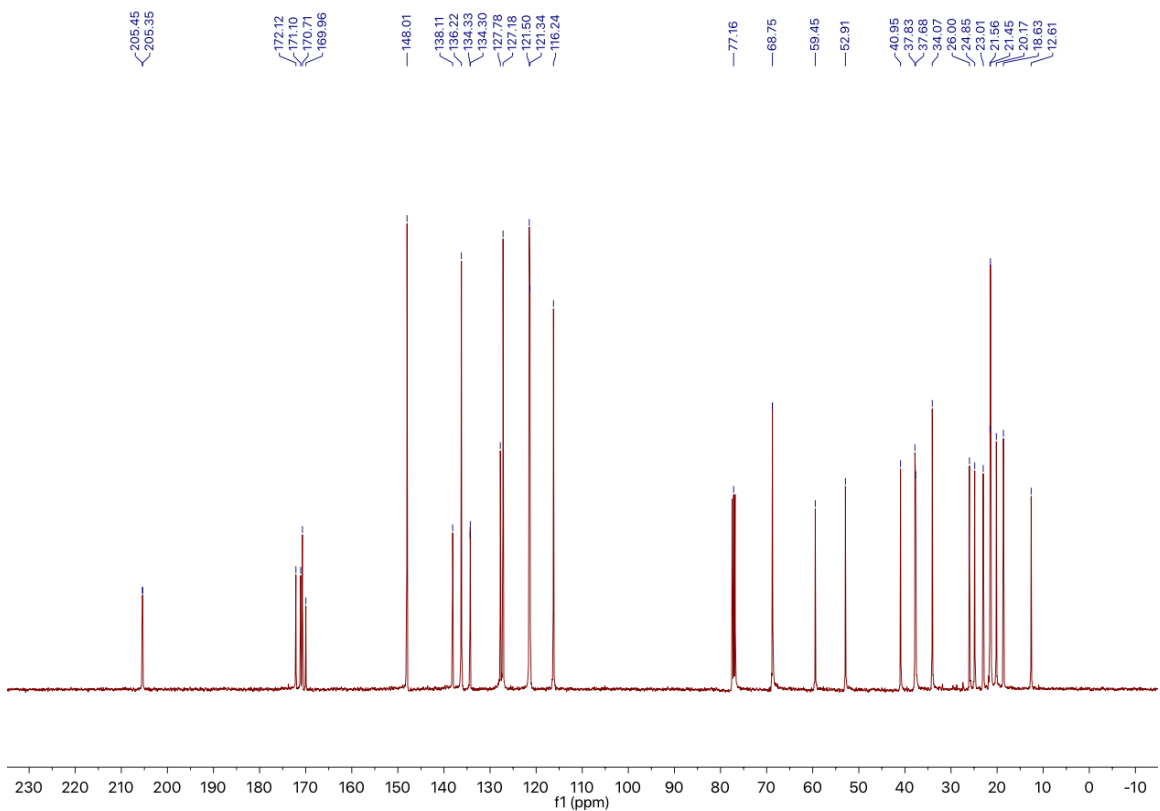
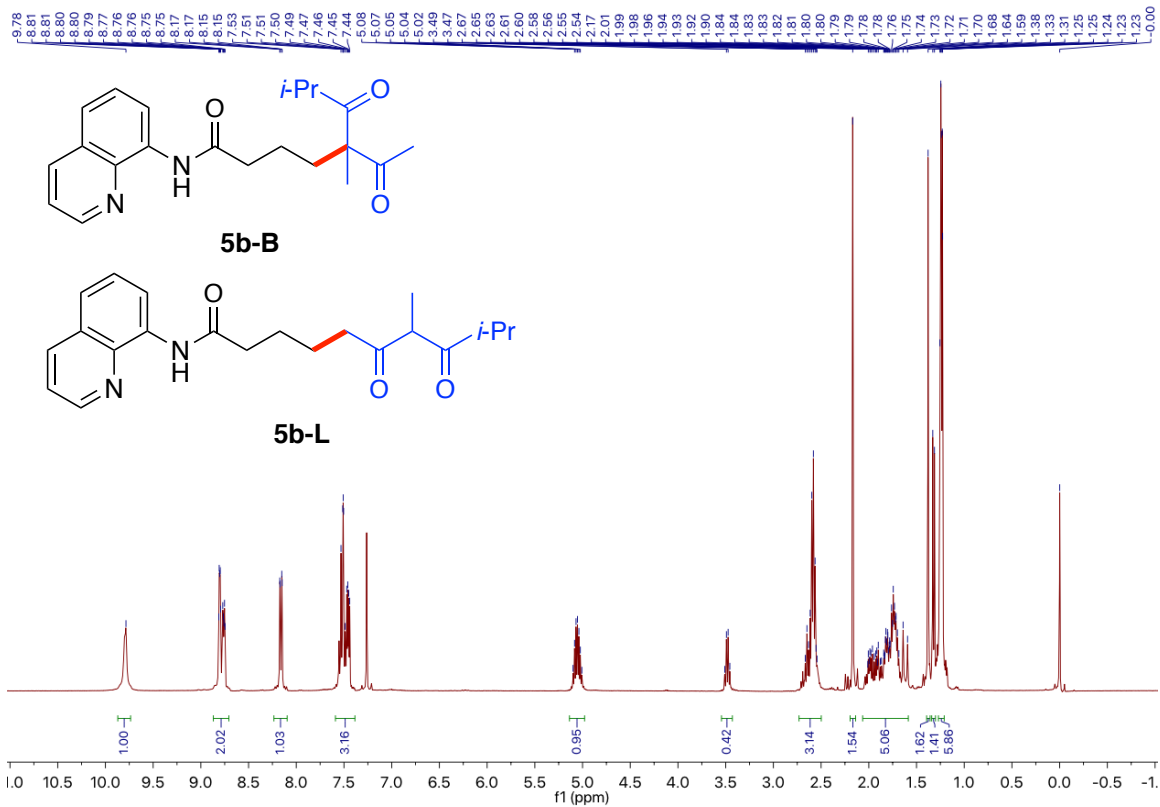


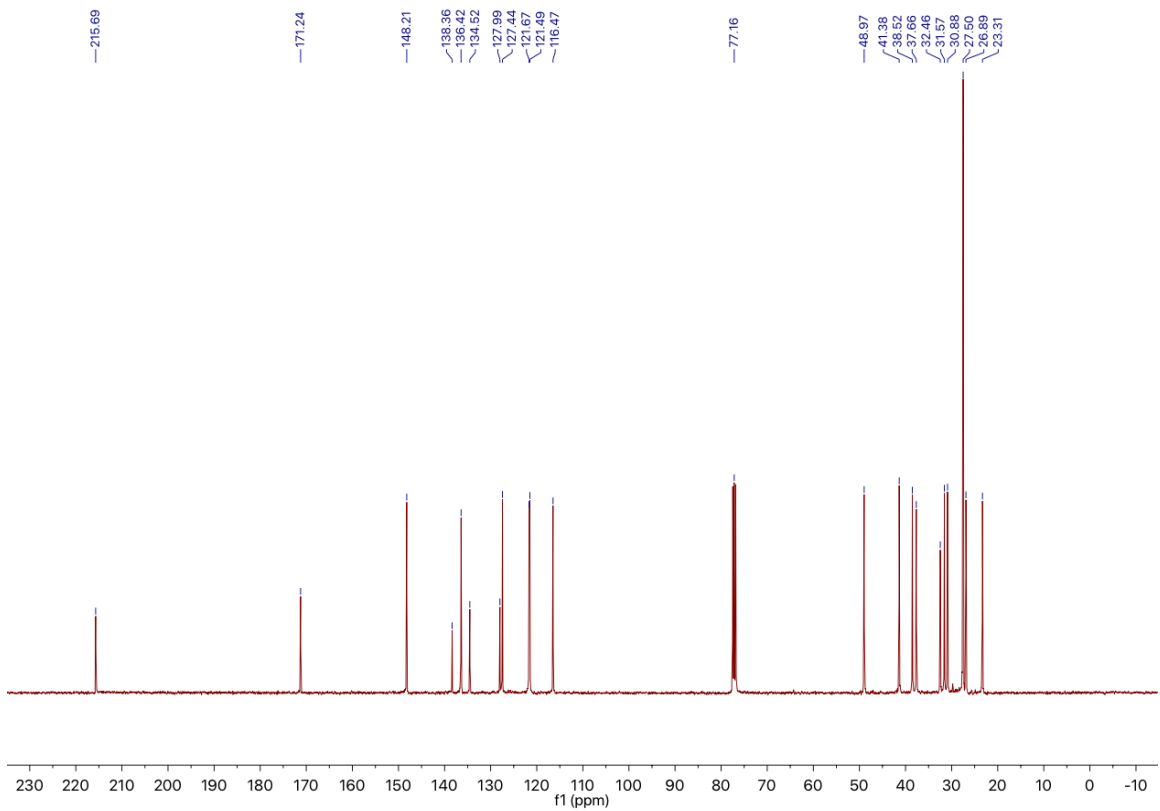
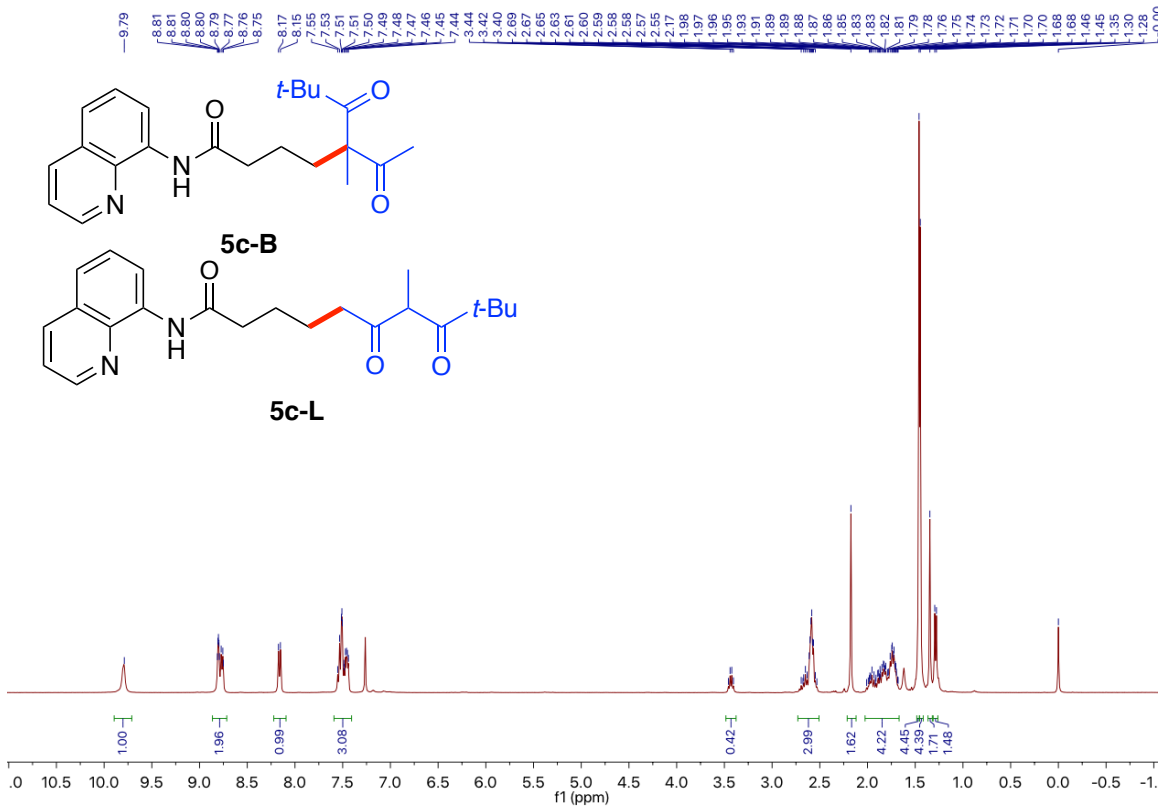






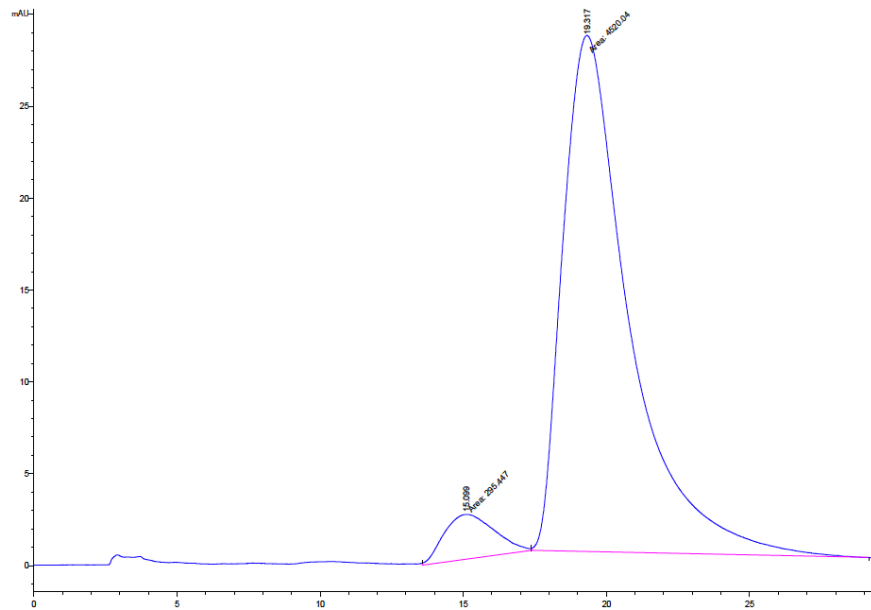




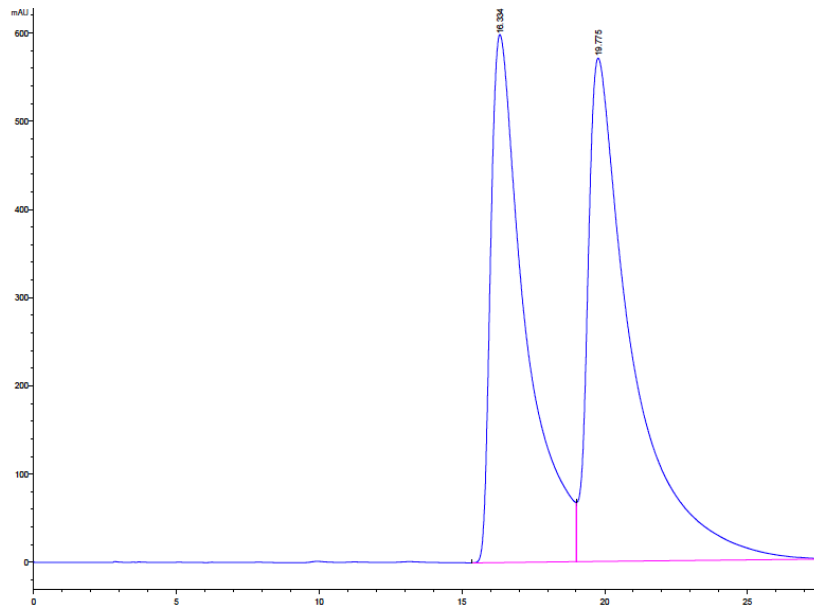


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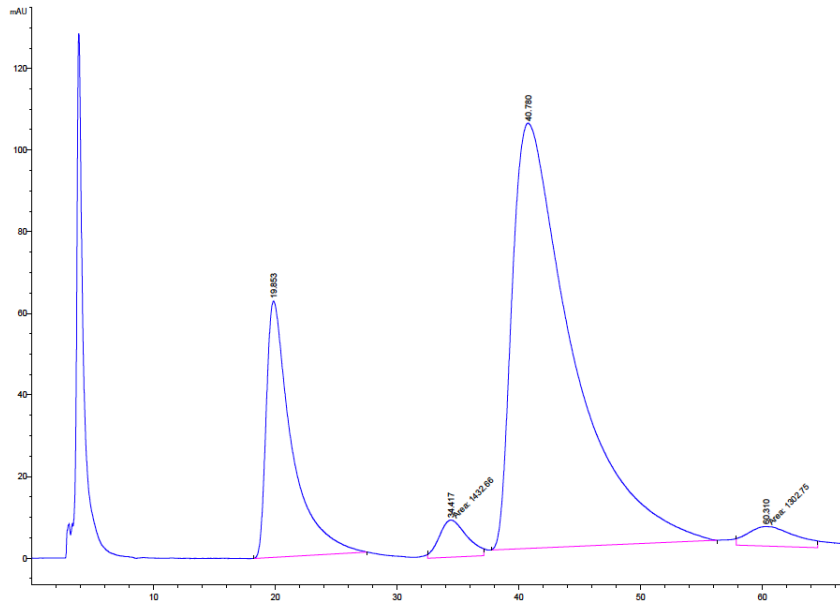


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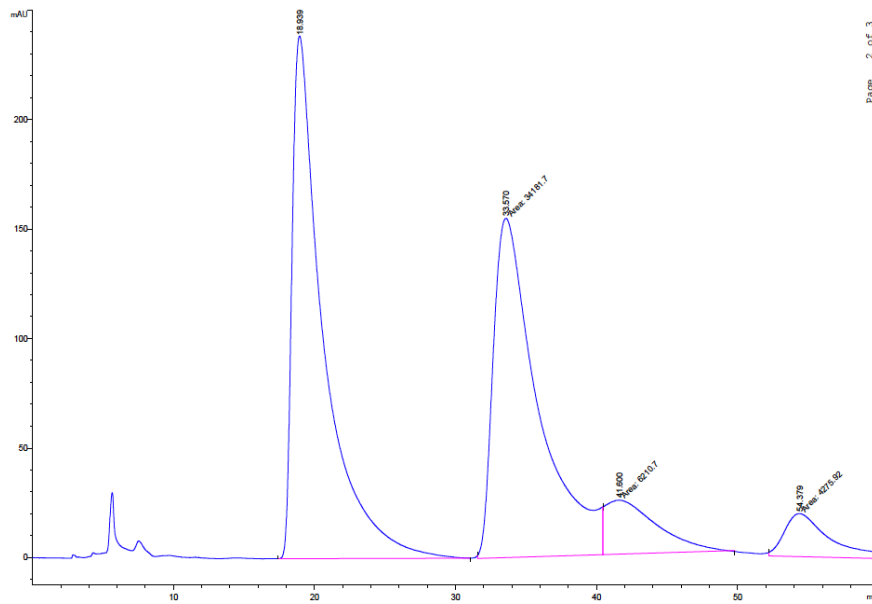


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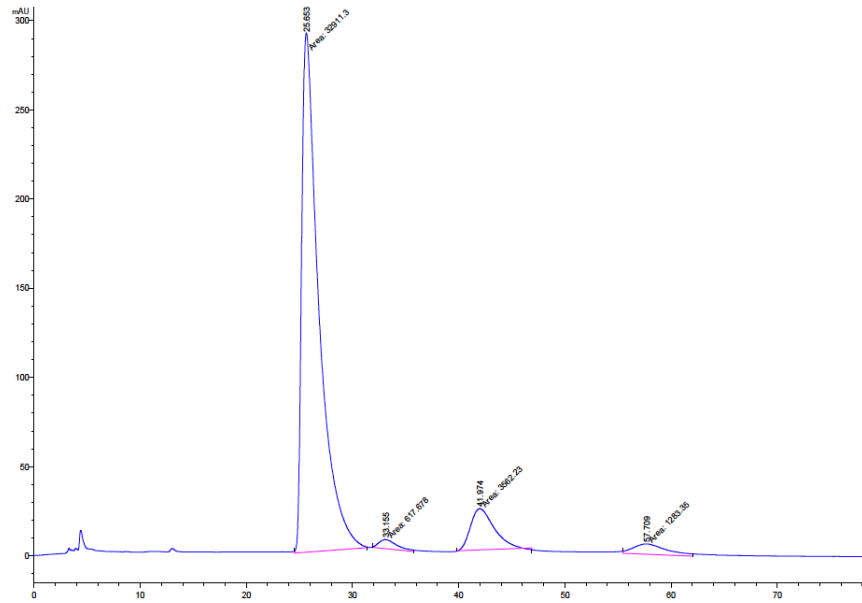
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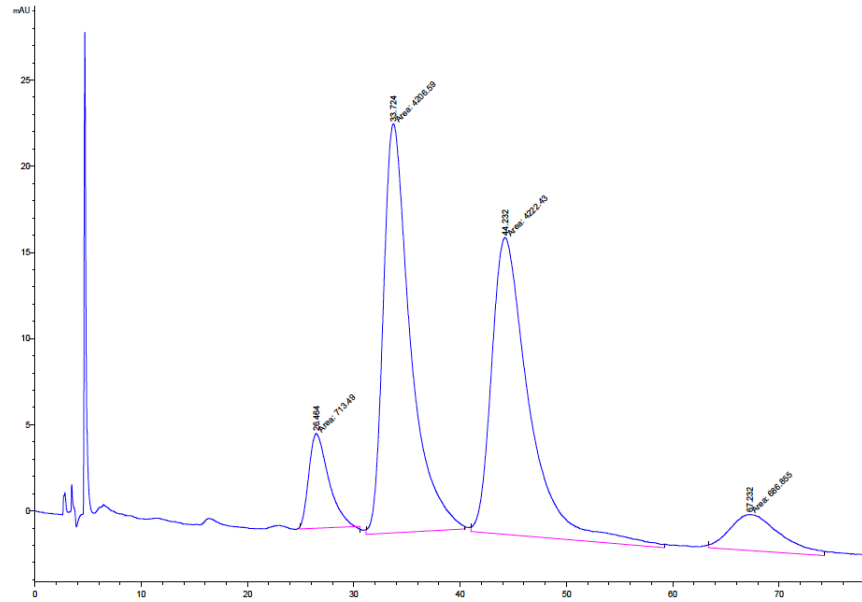
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2	33.570	MF	3.6768	3.41817e4	154.94432	41.9892
3	41.600	FM	4.2137	6210.69824	24.56542	7.6293
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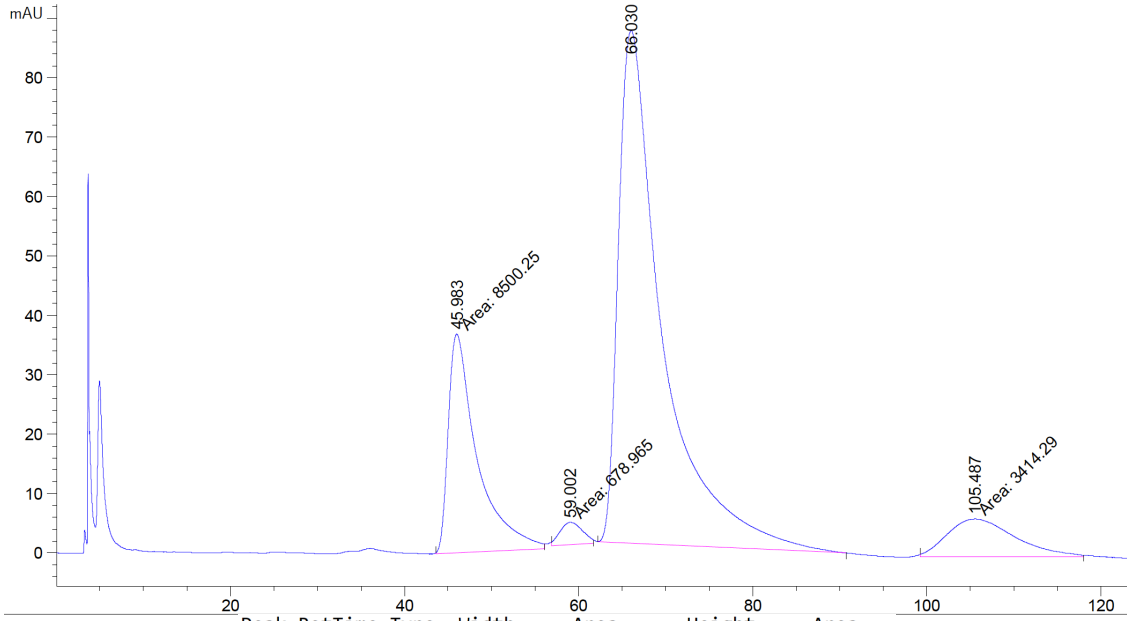


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3	41.974	MM	2.5722	3562.23413	23.08173	9.2828
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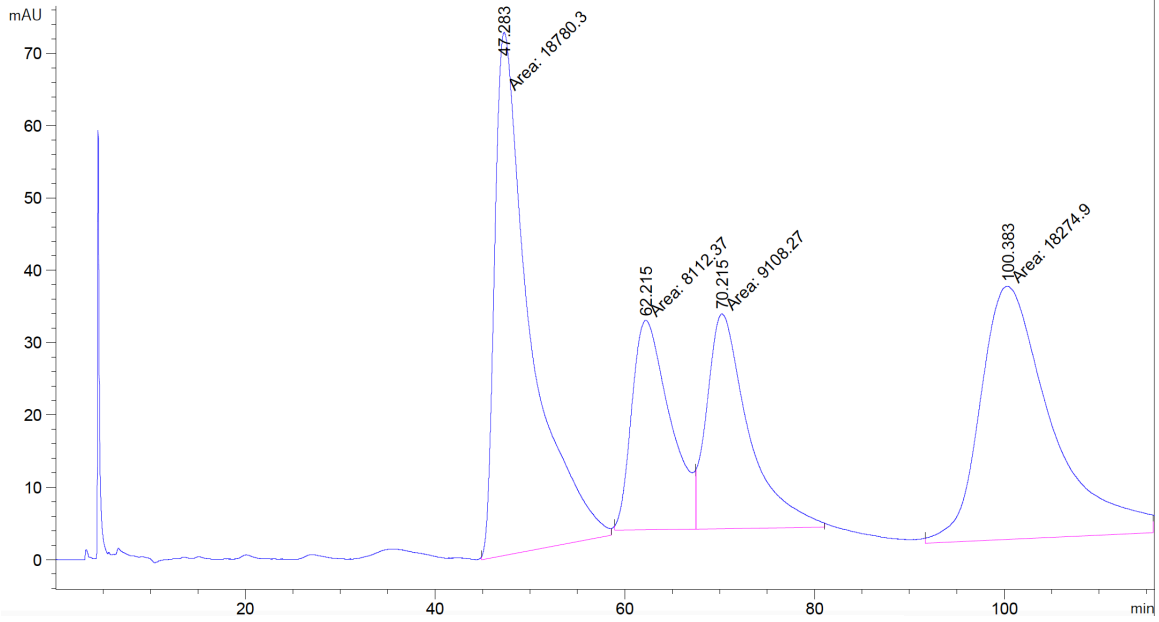


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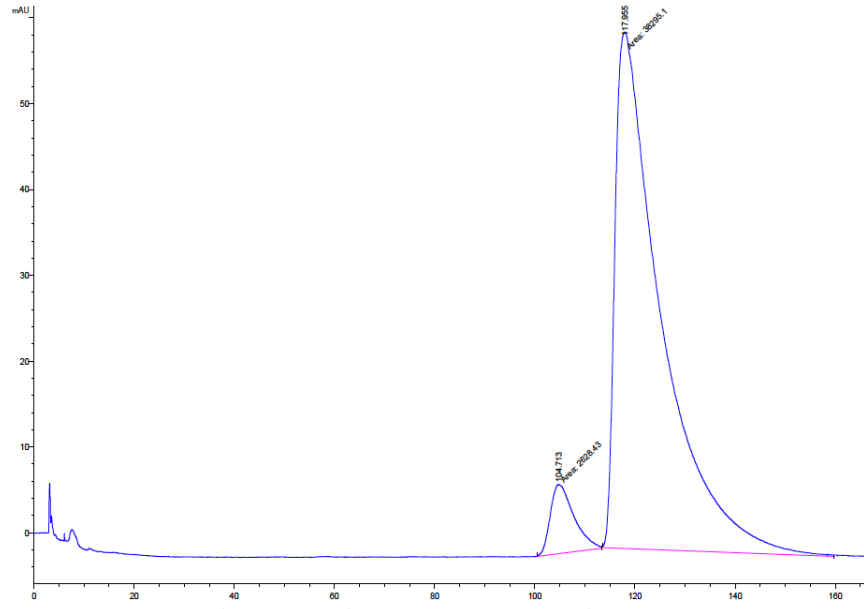


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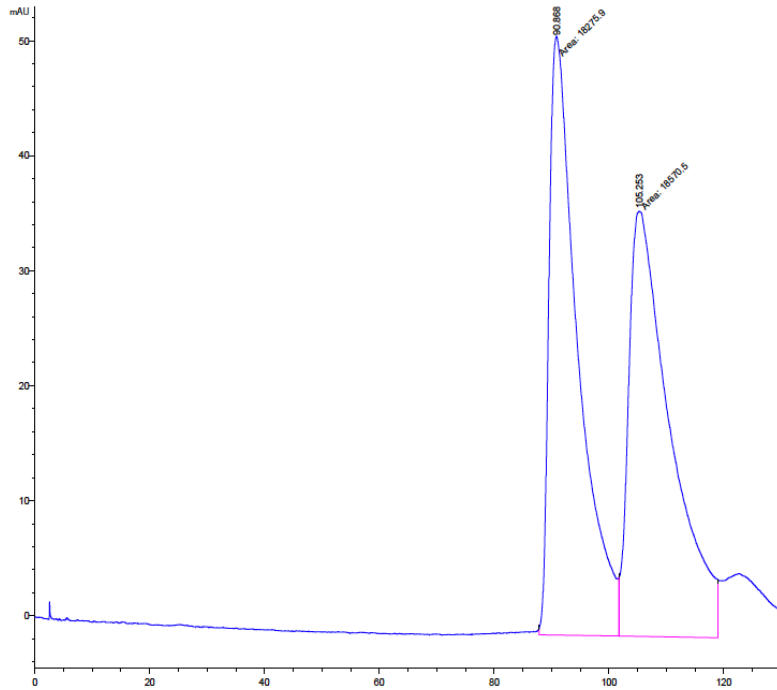


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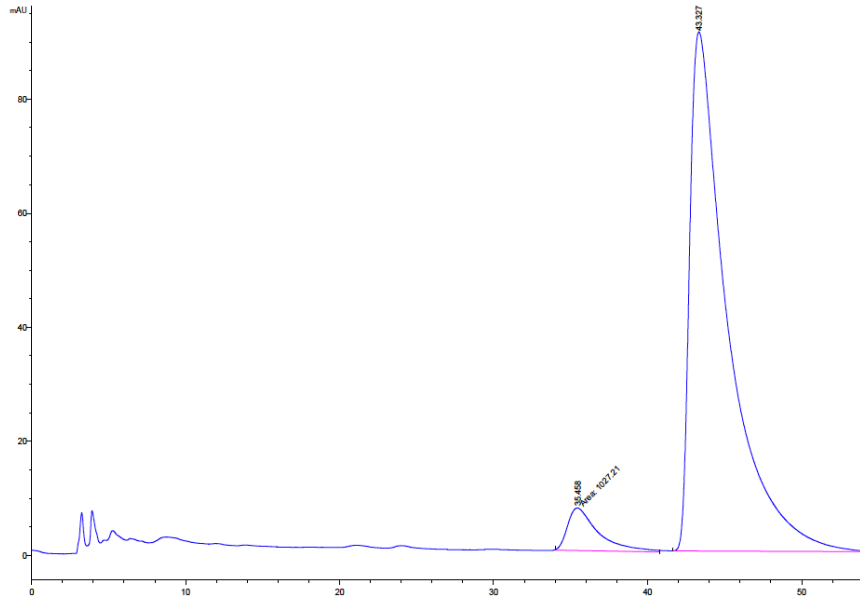


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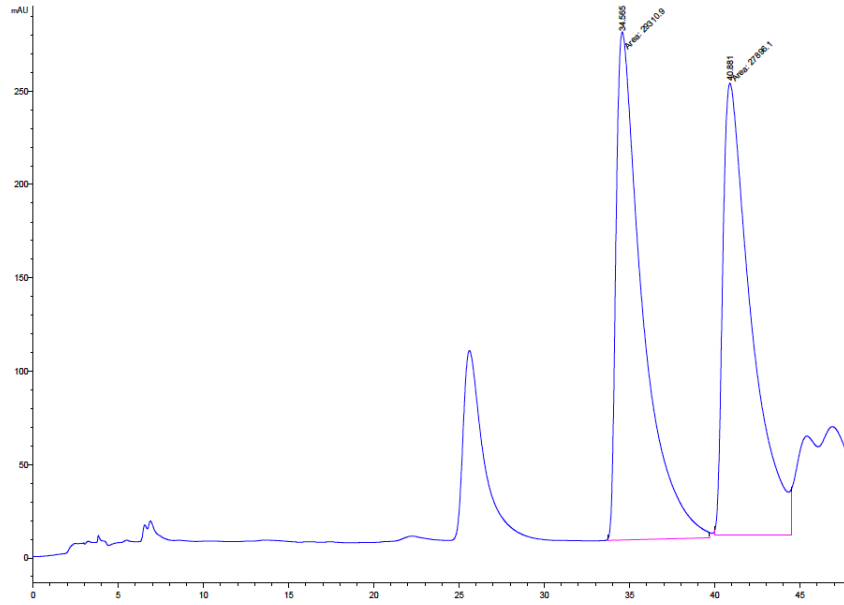


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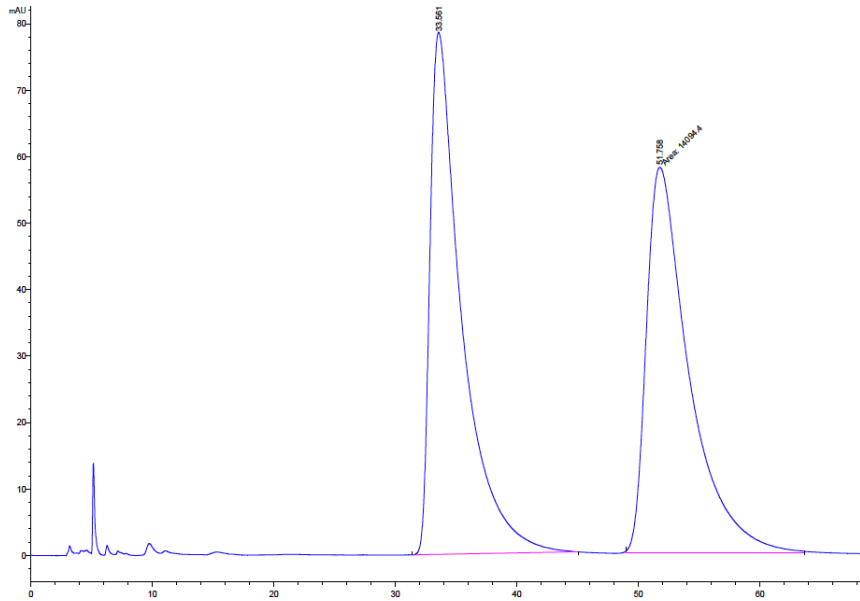


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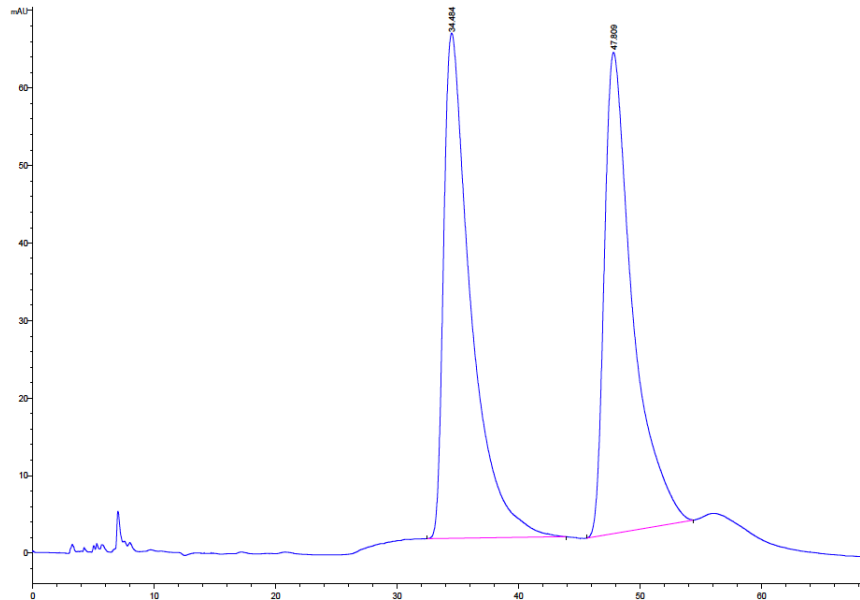


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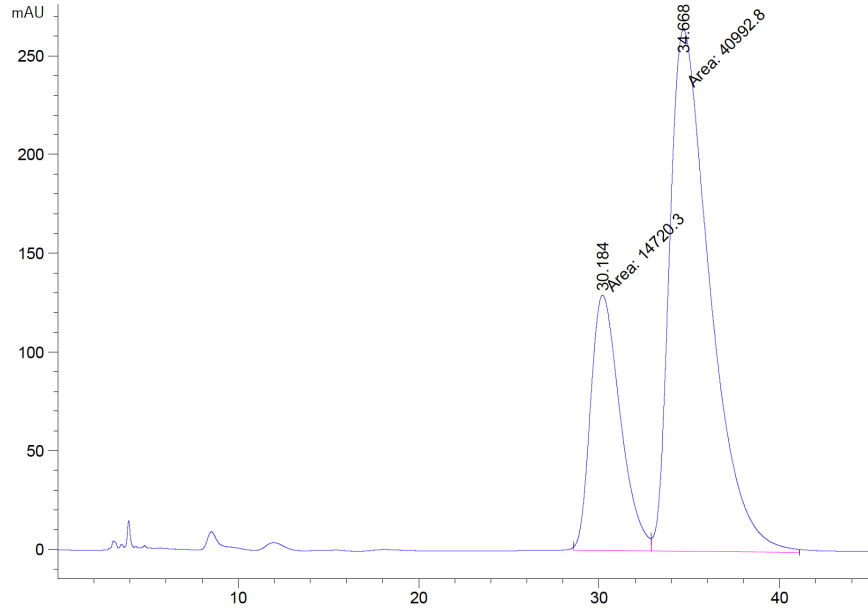


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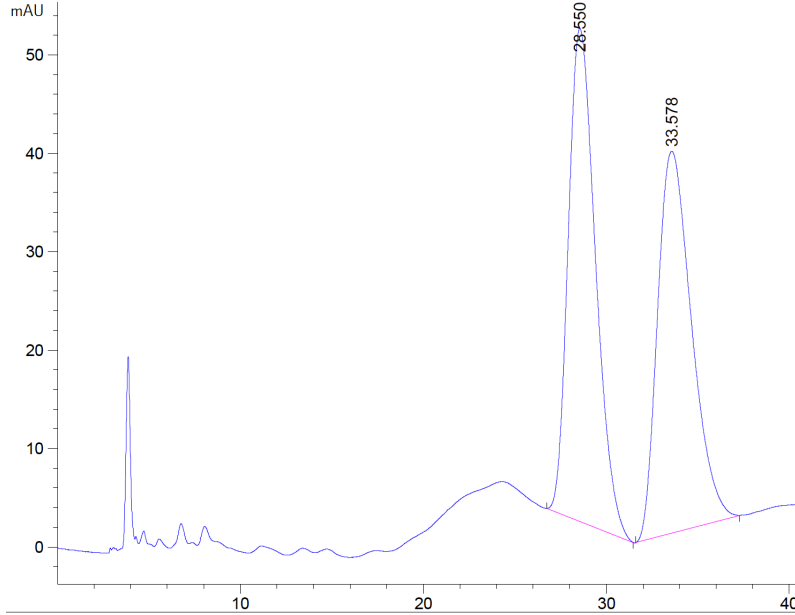


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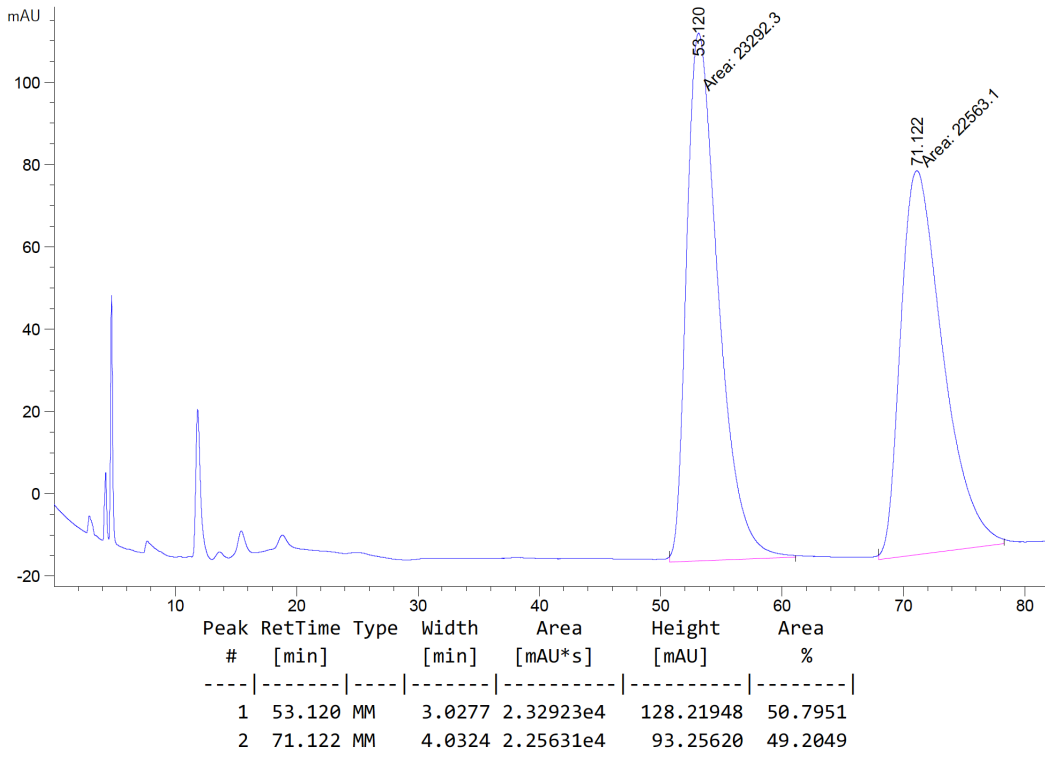
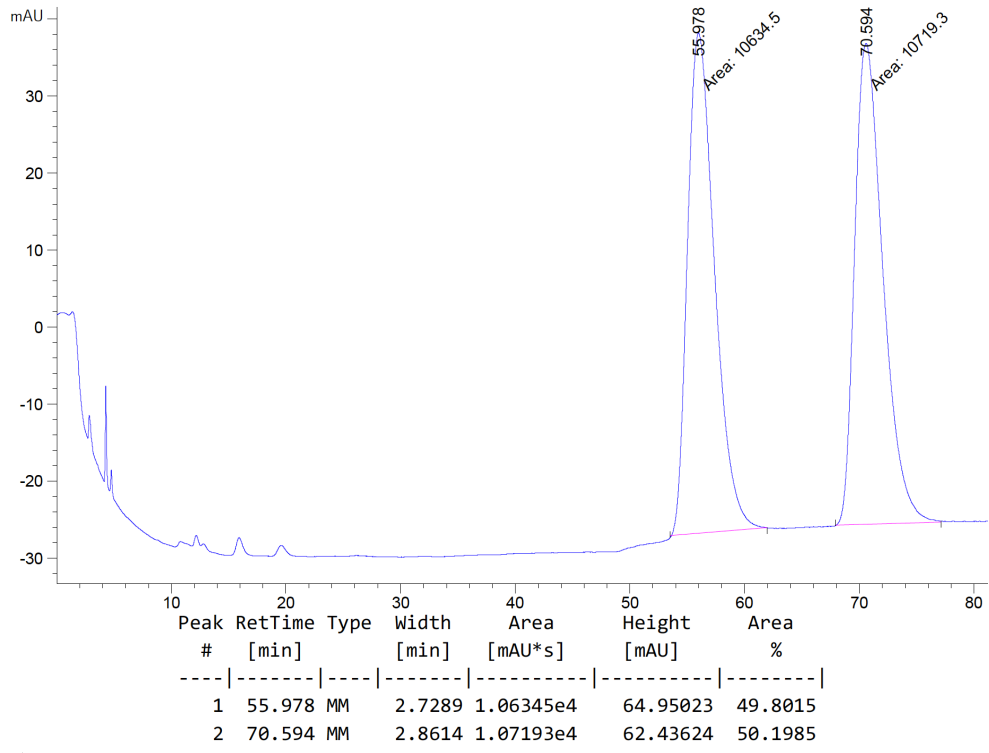


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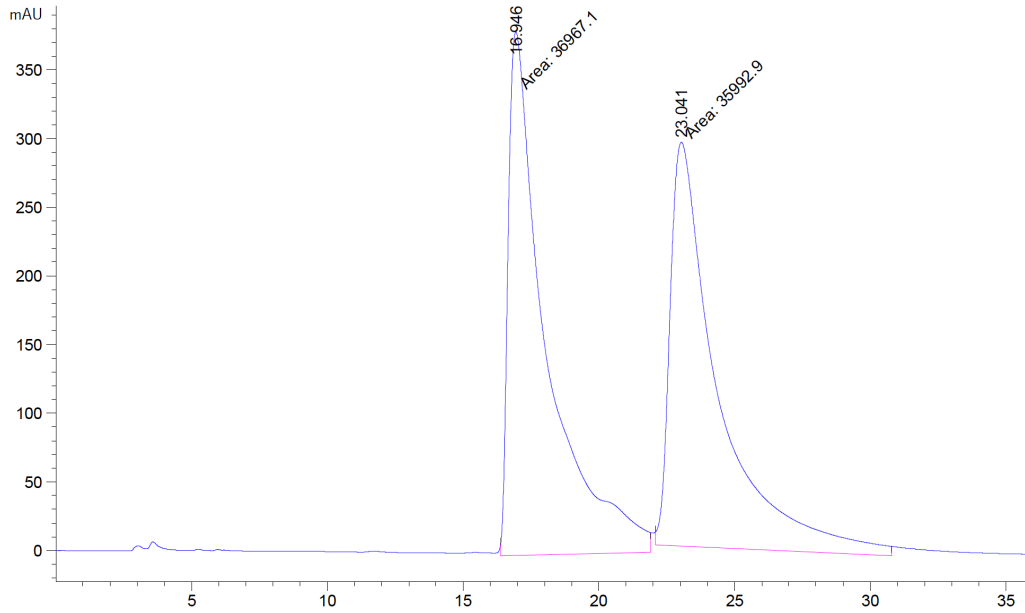


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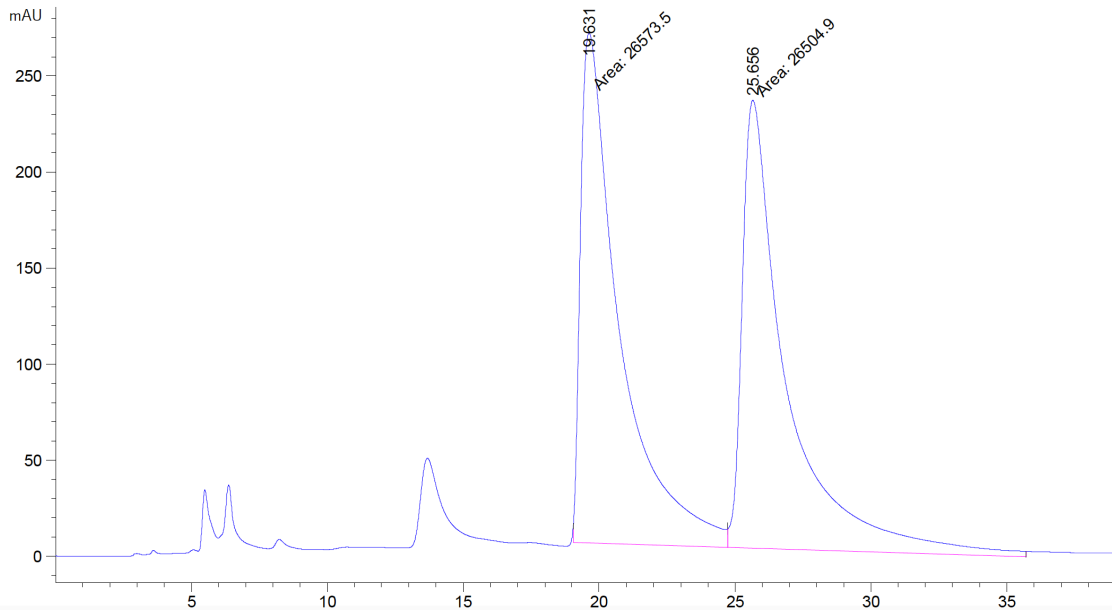
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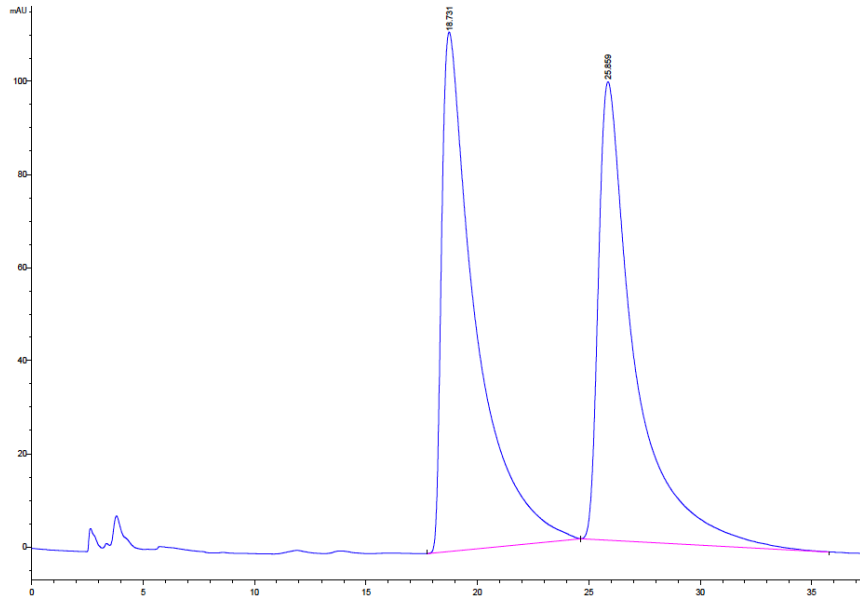


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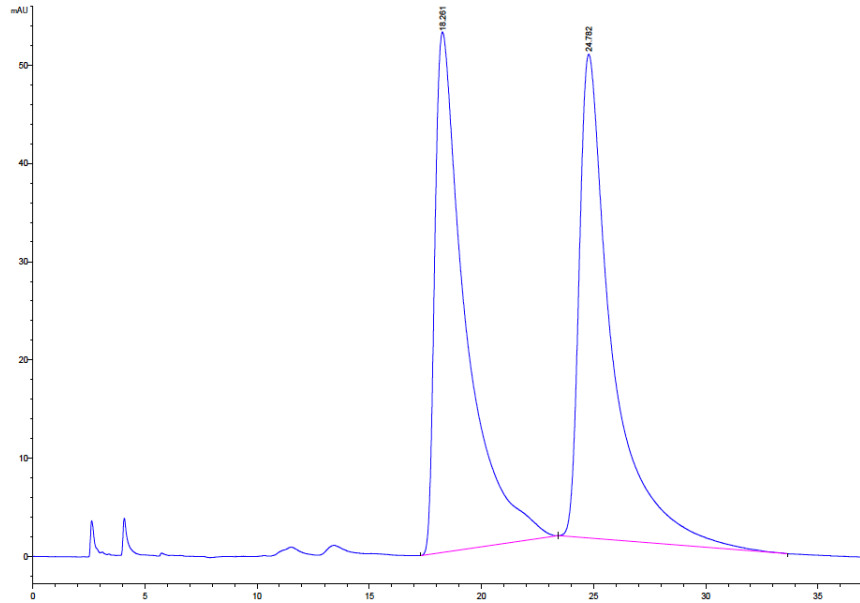


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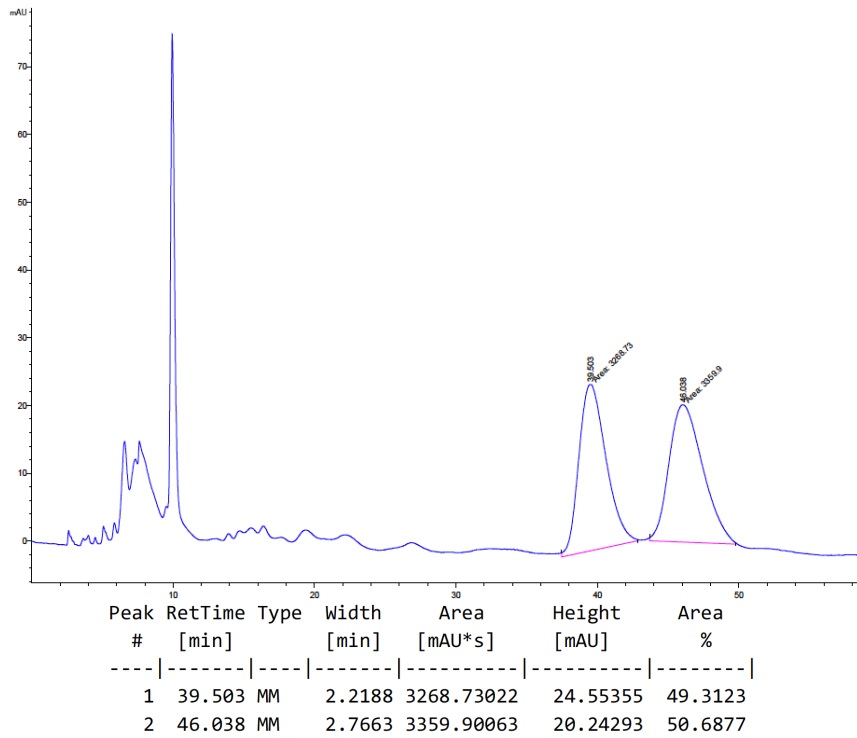
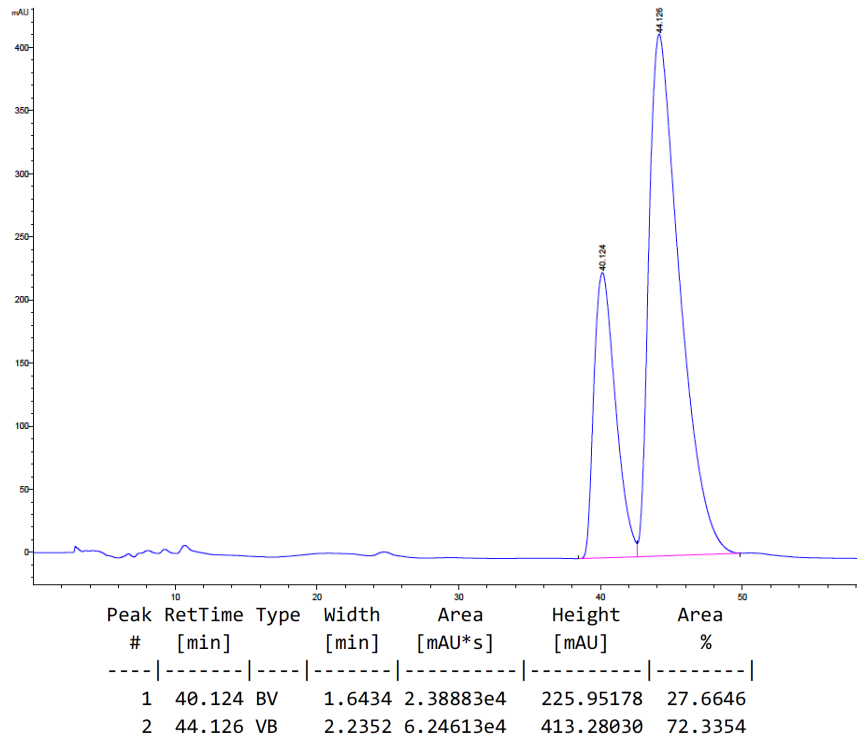
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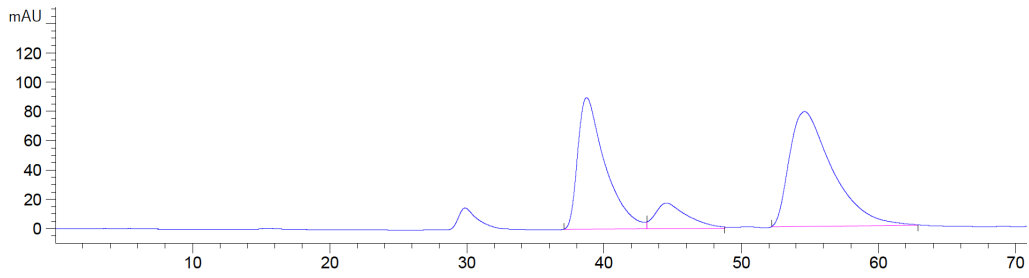
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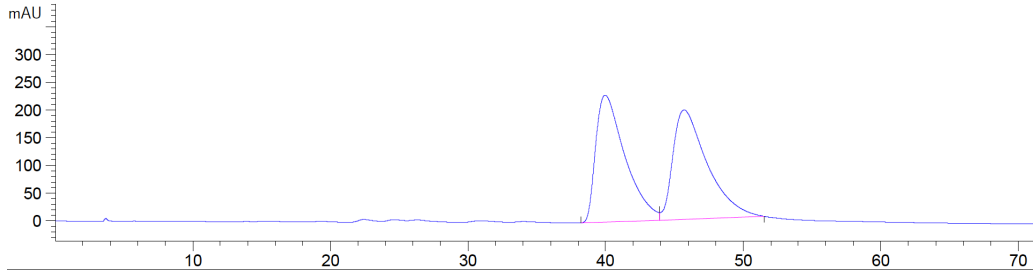
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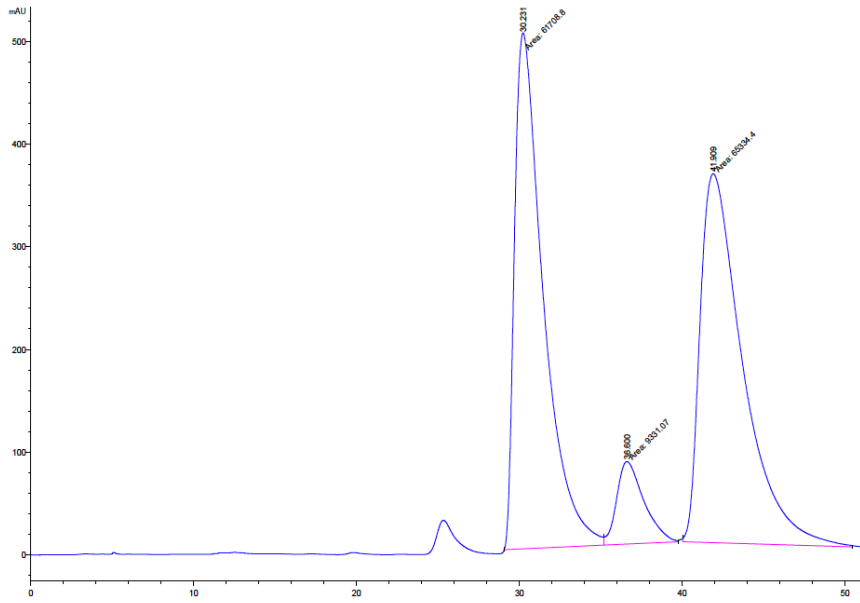


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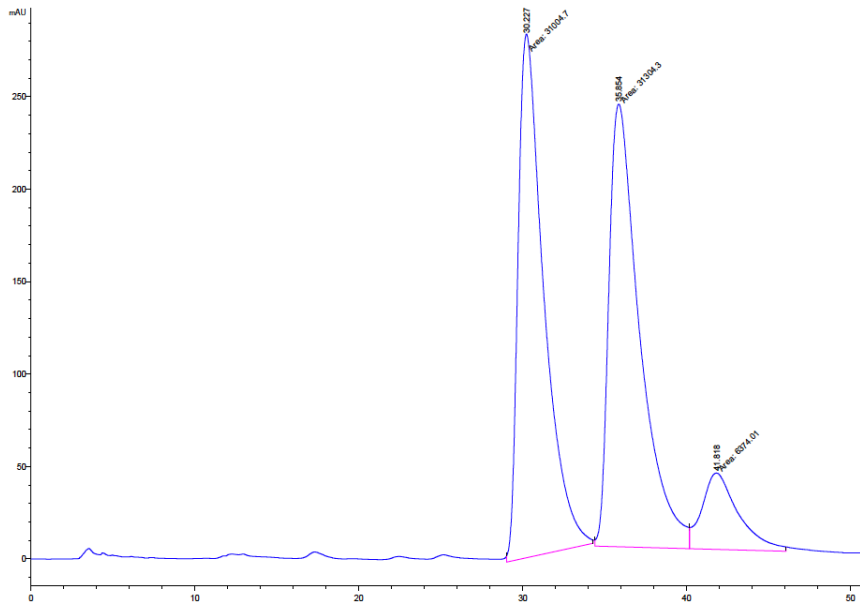


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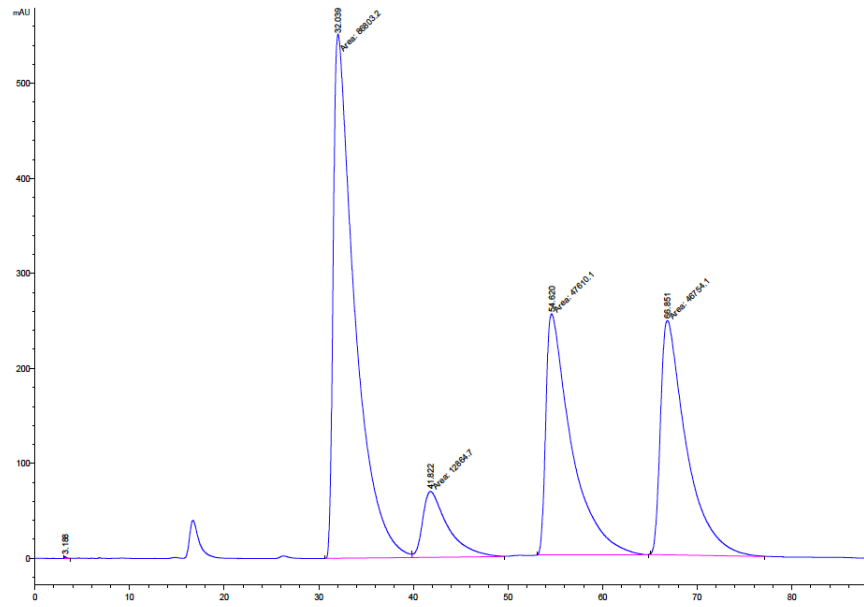


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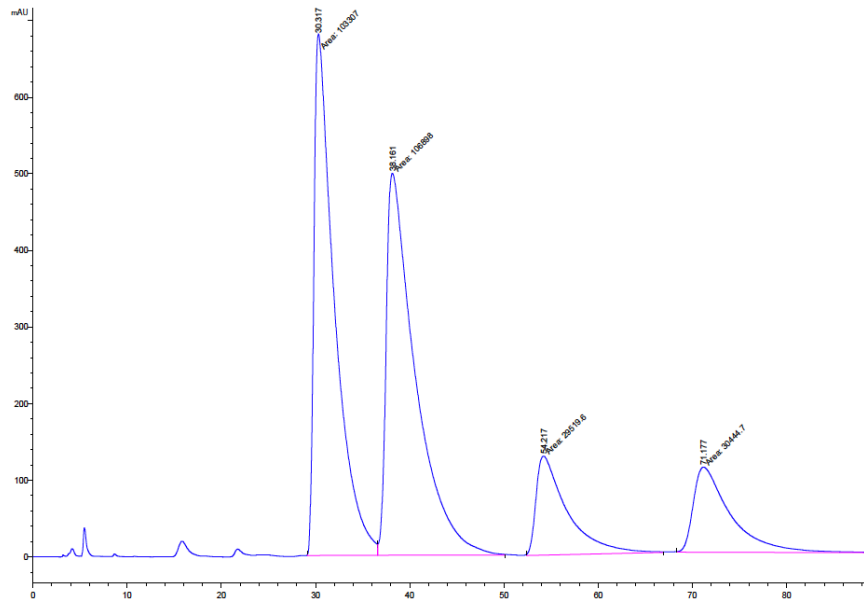


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3	54.620	MM	3.1261	4.76101e4	24.5372
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3	54.217	MM	3.8122	2.95196e4	10.9263
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