# **Supporting Information**

# Fluorinated Alcohol Mediated N,N'-Dialkylation of Amino Acid Derivatives via Cascade [1,5]-Hydride Transfer/Cyclization for Concise Synthesis of Tetrahydroquinazoline

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#### 1. General Procedure

#### 1.1 Chiral induction with chiral amino acids Experiments

An oven-dried reaction tube was charged with 2-aminobenzaldehyde  $\mathbf{1a}$  (1.0 equiv, 0.1 mmol), trifluoroethanol (TFE) (2 mL) and amino acid ester  $\mathbf{6c}$  (1.5 equiv., 0.15 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred vigorously at 40 °C and monitored by TLC. After consumption of  $\mathbf{1a}$ , the reaction mixture was concentrated in vacuo and the residue was subjected to flash column chromatography for purification to afford product  $\mathbf{7c}$  in 91% yield with  $\mathbf{dr} = 5:1$ , and  $\mathbf{er} = 74:26$ .

#### 1.2 Gram-Scale Syntheses

An oven-dried reaction tube was charged with 2-aminobenzaldehyde 1a (1.0 equiv, 5 mmol), trifluoroethanol (TFE) (100 mL) and  $\beta$ -amino acids 2a (1.5 equiv., 6.5 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred vigorously at room temperature and monitored by TLC. After consumption of 1a, the reaction mixture was concentrated in vacuo and the residue was subjected to flash column chromatography for purification to afford product 3a in 76% yield (1.16 g).

#### 1.3 Control experiments

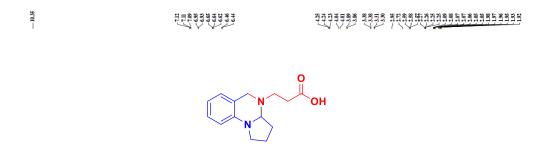
An oven-dried reaction tube was charged with 2-aminobenzaldehyde **1a** (1.0 equiv, 0.1 mmol), trifluoroethanol (TFE) (2 mL) and ethyl 2-((diphenylmethylene)amino)acetate **6b'** (1.5 equiv., 0.15 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred vigorously at 40 °C and monitored by TLC. After consumption of **1a**, the reaction mixture was concentrated in vacuo and the residue was subjected to by flash column chromatography for purification to afford product **7b** in 98% yield.

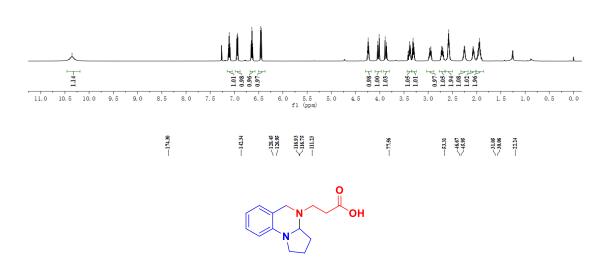
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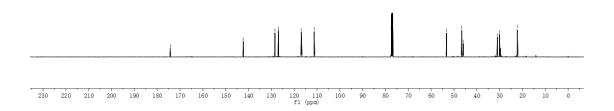
- 1) An oven-dried reaction tube was charged with 2-aminobenzaldehyde **1a** (1.0 equiv., 0.1 mmol), trifluoroethanol (TFE) (2 mL) and amino acid ester **6c** (1.5 equiv., 0.15 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred vigorously at 40 °C with 12 h. The reaction mixture was concentrated in vacuo and the residue was subjected to by flash column chromatography for purification to afford product **7c** in 80% yield.
- 2) An oven-dried reaction tube was charged with 2-aminobenzaldehyde **1a** (1.0 equiv., 0.1 mmol), trifluoroethane (ol-D) (2 mL) and amino acid ester **6c** (1.5 equiv., 0.15 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred vigorously at 40 °C with 12 h. The reaction mixture was concentrated in vacuo and the residue was subjected to by flash column chromatography for purification to afford product **7c** in 67% yield.

# 2. <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR Spectra

#### 3-(1,2,3,3a-tetrahydropyrrolo[1,2-a]quinazolin-4(5H)-yl)propanoic acid (3a)

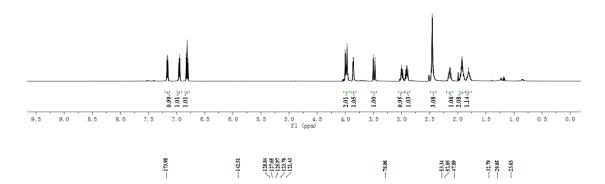


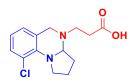


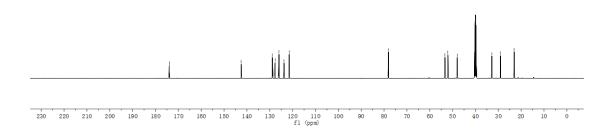


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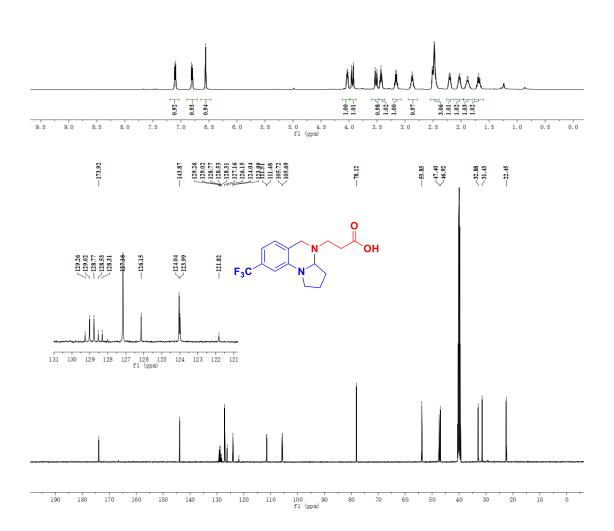




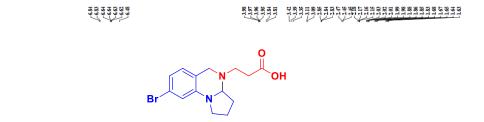


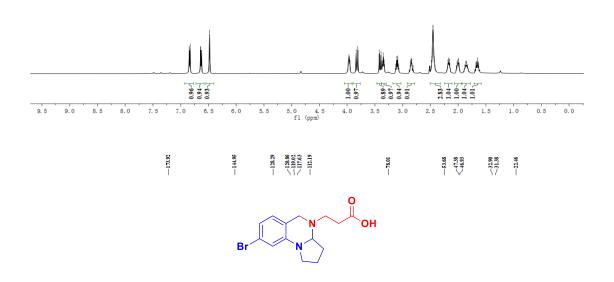
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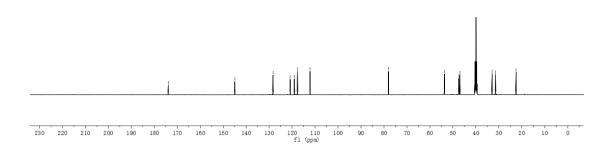




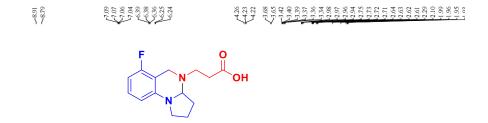
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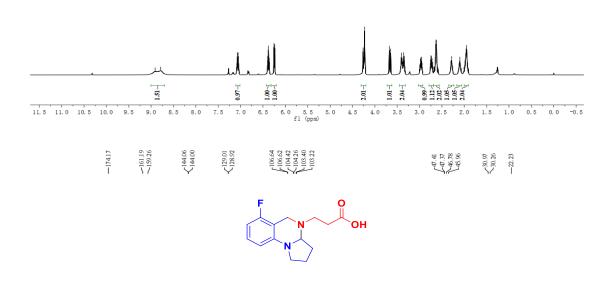


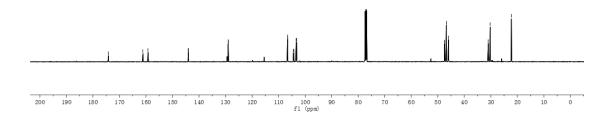




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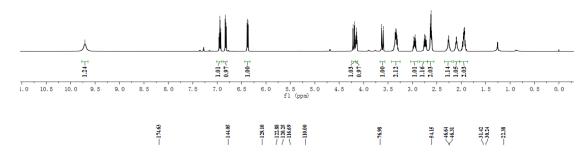


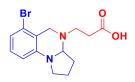


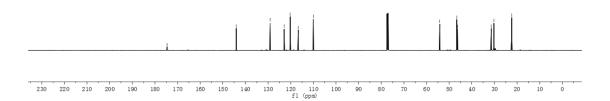


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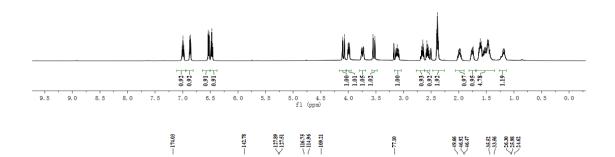




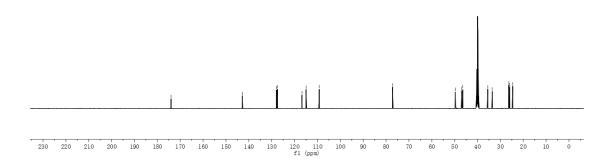


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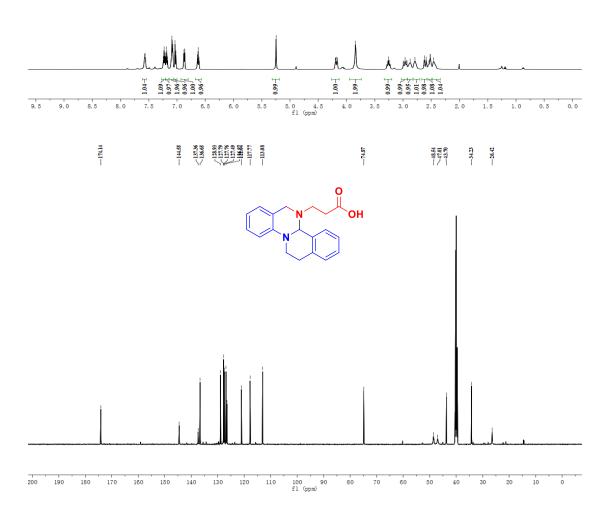






# $3-(12,13-{\rm dihydro}-6H-{\rm isoquinolino}[2,1-a]{\rm quinazolin-5}(4{\rm b}H)-{\rm yl}){\rm propanoic\ acid\ (3h)}$

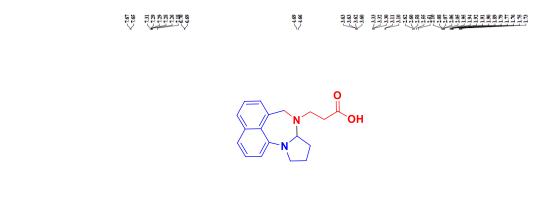
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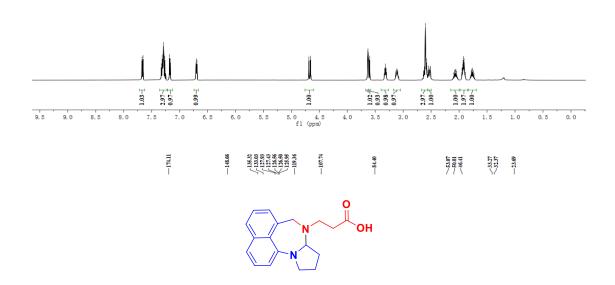


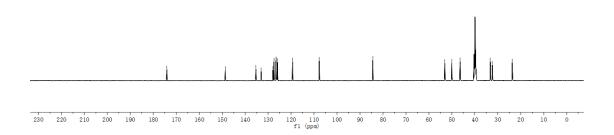
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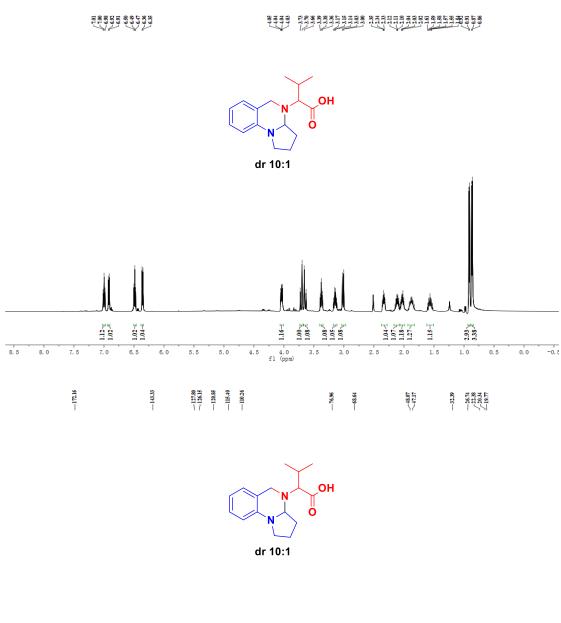
# 3-(1,2,3,3 a-tetrahydronaphtho[1,8-ef] pyrrolo[1,2-a][1,3] diazepin-4(5\$H\$)-yl) propanoic acid (3j)

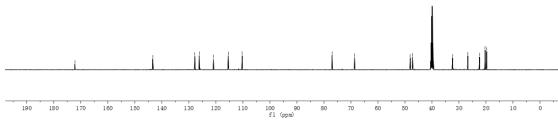




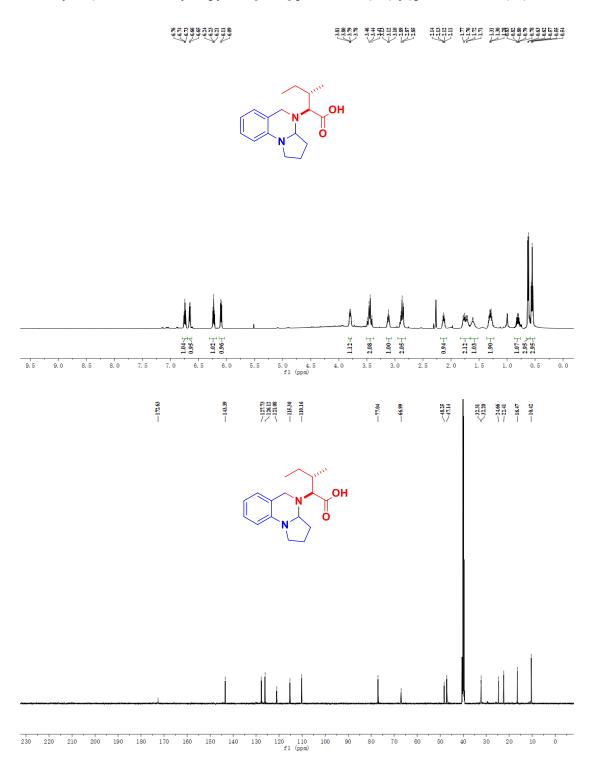


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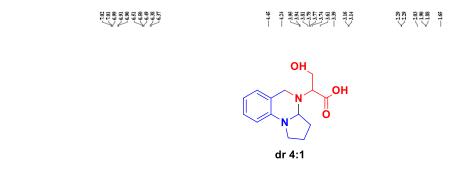


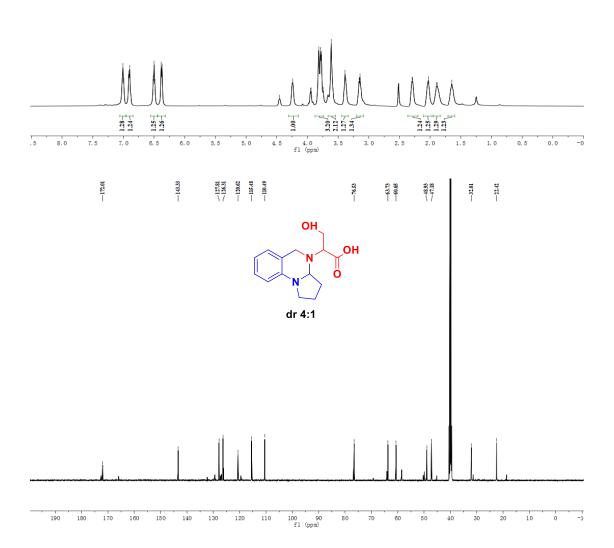


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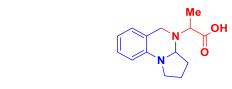
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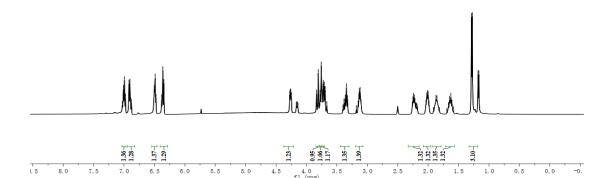


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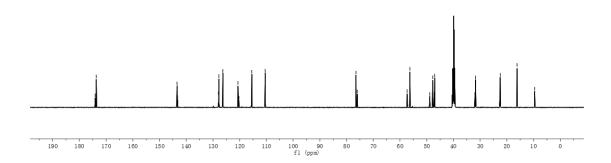




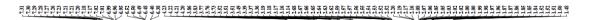
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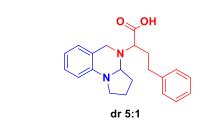


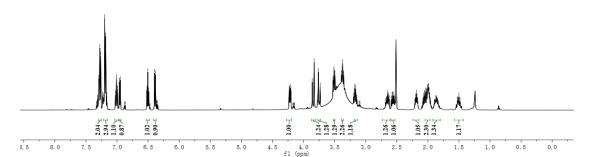
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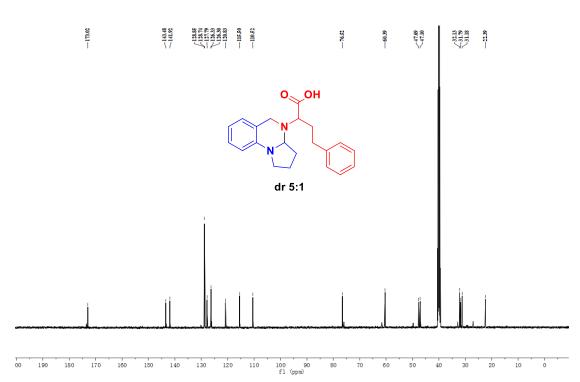


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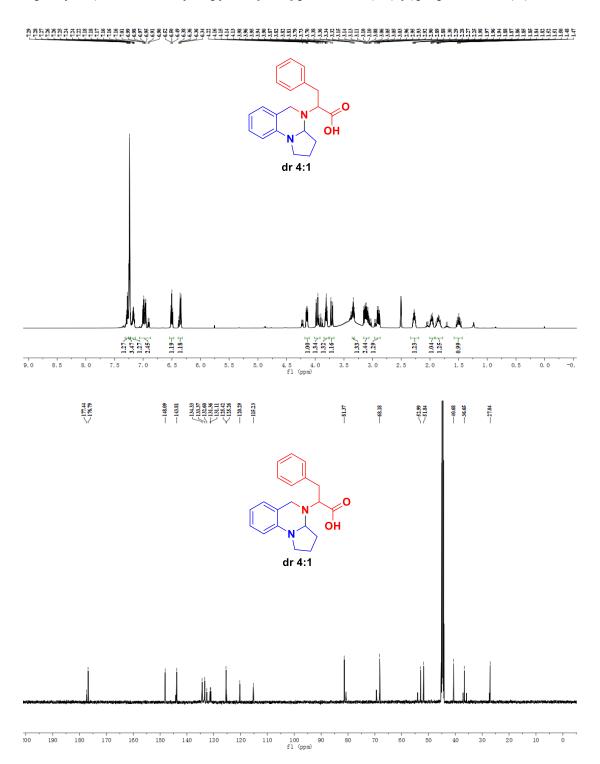




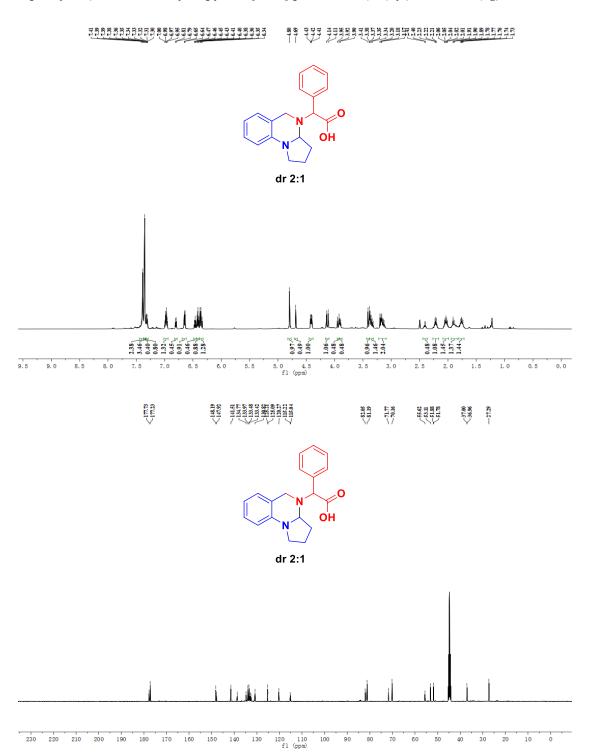




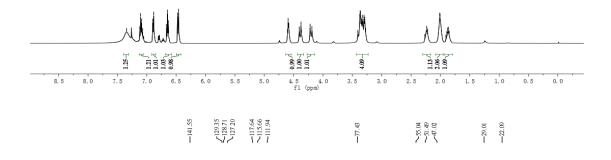
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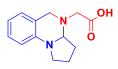


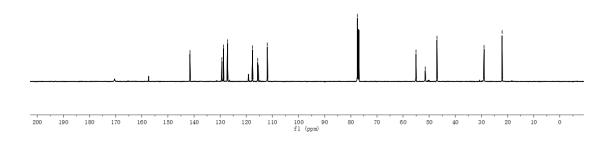
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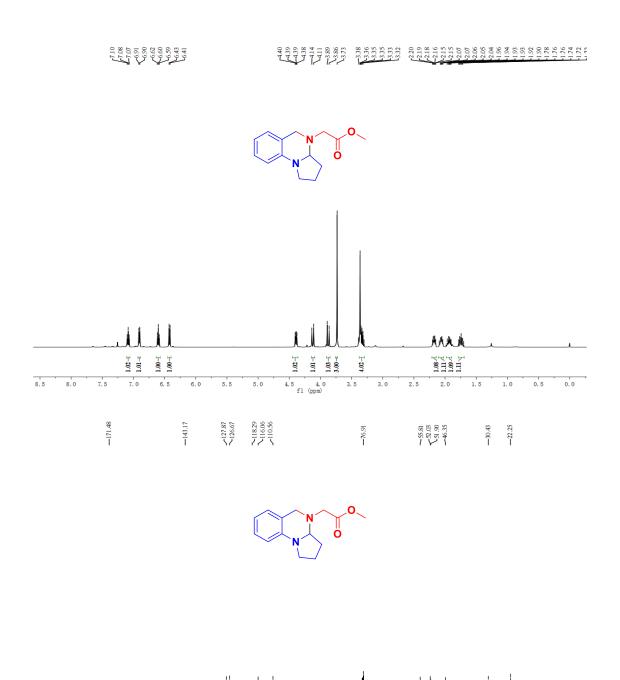
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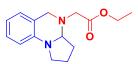


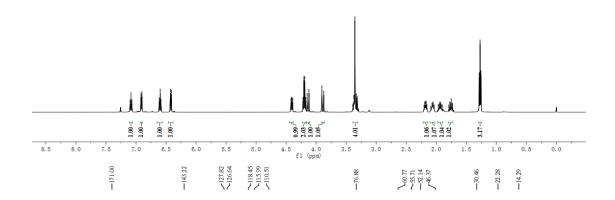
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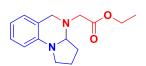


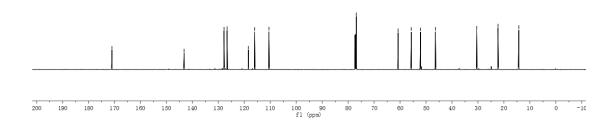
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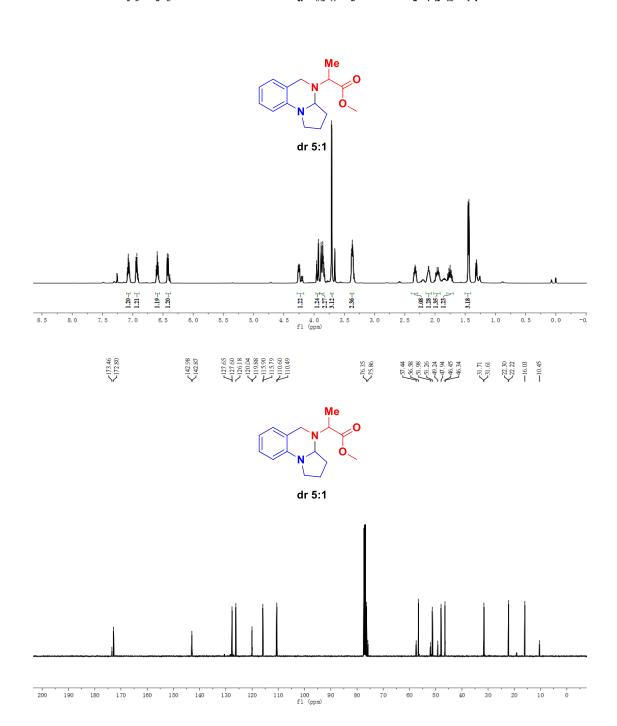




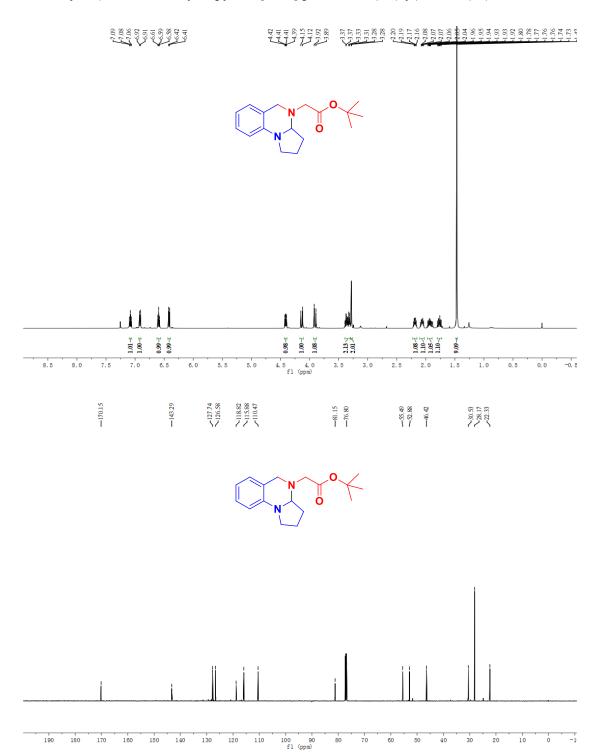




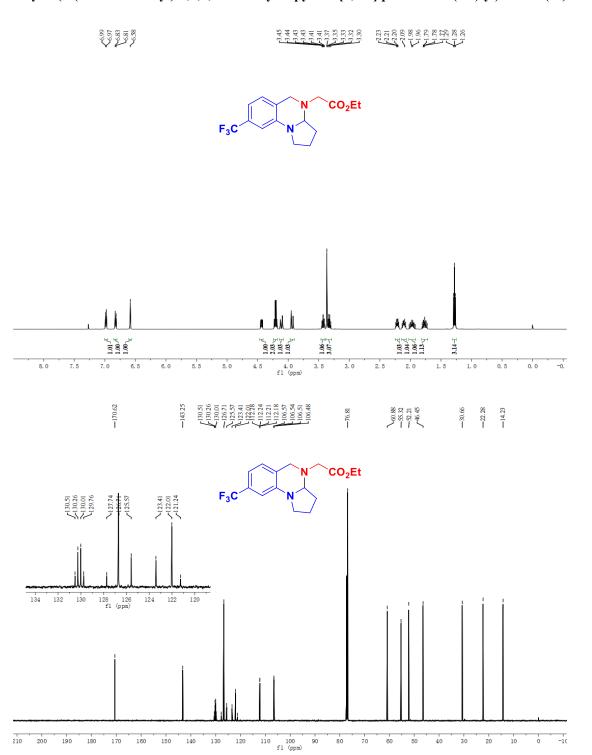
#### methyl~(2S)-2-(1,2,3,3a-tetra hydropyrrolo[1,2-a] quinazolin-4(5H)-yl) propanoate~(7c)



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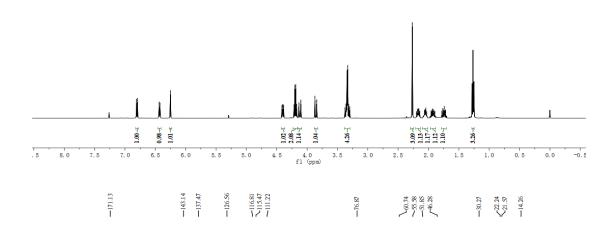


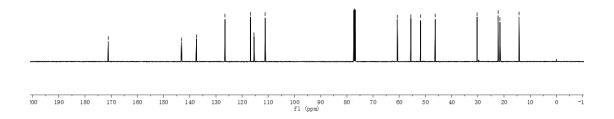
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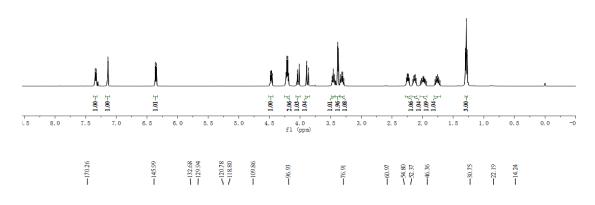
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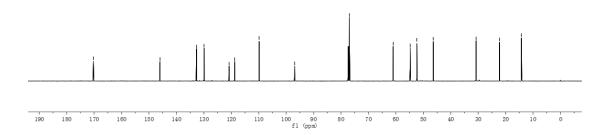
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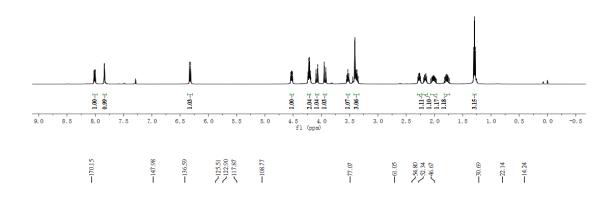


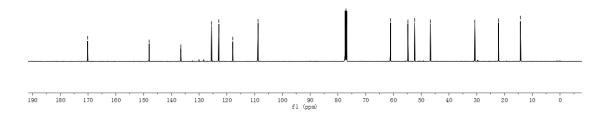
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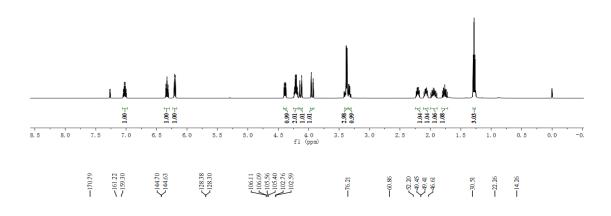


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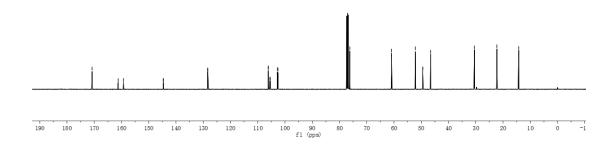




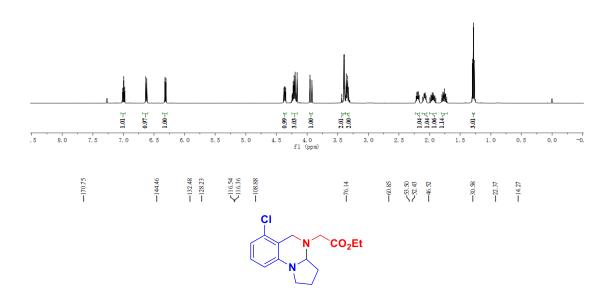
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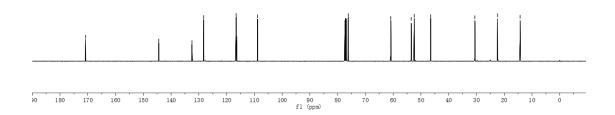






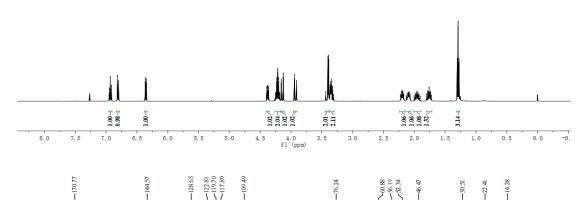
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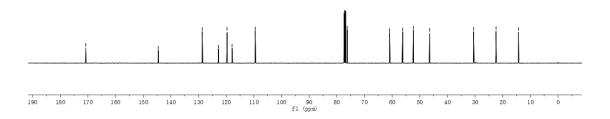


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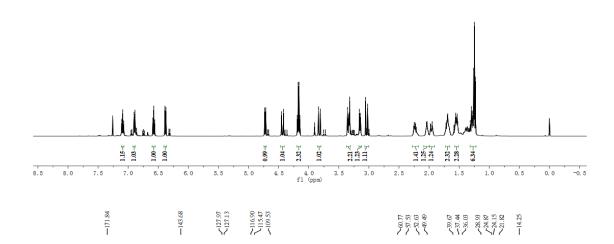


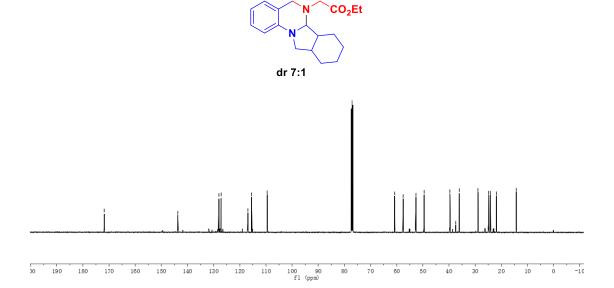


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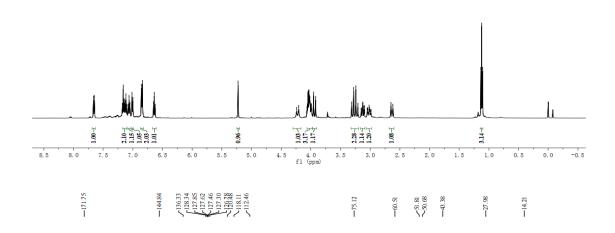


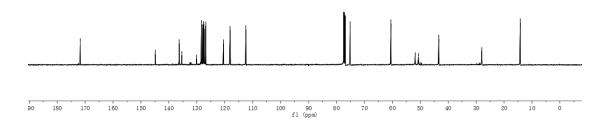




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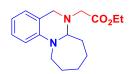


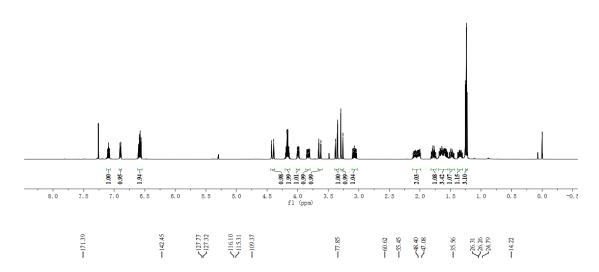


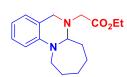


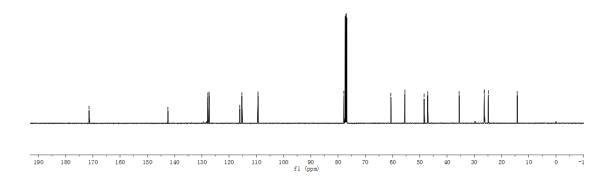
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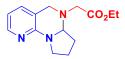


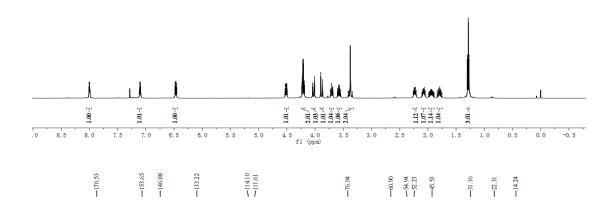


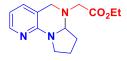


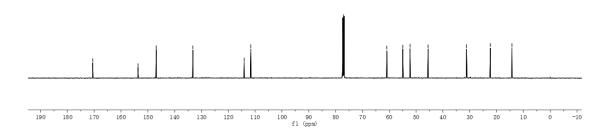
#### ethyl 6-amino-5,6,6a,7,8,9-hexahydropyrrolo[1,2-a][1,8]naphthyridine-6-carboxylate (70)

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#### 3. Determination of the Stereochemistry

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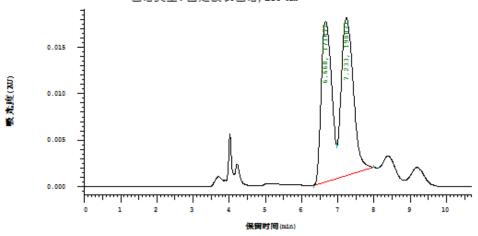
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系统(数据采集):Chromaster 应用程序(数据):4-羟基吲哚 样品名:CCQ-7088 进样次数:1 of 1 样品注释: 系列: 0063 样品瓶编号:1 样品瓶类型:UNK 进样量: 10.0 ul

色谱类型: 固定波长色谱, 254 nm



数据处理用方法文件:200-300氘灯模式-60/40 方法文件的创建者:

泵1: 5110+活塞清洗 泵1溶剂A: 正已烷

泵1溶剂C: 方法文件的注释:

泵1溶剂B: 异丙醇

泵1溶剂D:

色谱类型: 固定波长色谱, 254 nm

峰的定量:面积 计算方法:面积%

No.	RT	面积	面积%
1 2	6. 660 7. 233	171672 198071	46. 430 53. 570
		369743	100.000

判定峰的基准:0

#### Chromaster 系统管理器报告

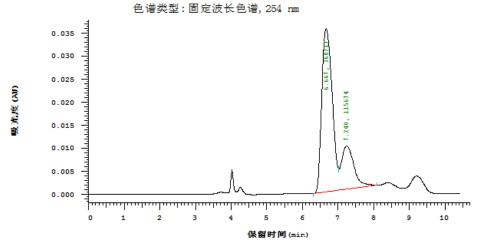
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数据路径: E:\李帅帅\4\DATA\0062\

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方法文件的注释:

色谱类型:固定波长色谱,254 nm

峰的定量:面积 计算方法:面积%

No.	RT	面积	面积%
1 2	6. 667 7. 240	360717 115674	75. 719 24. 281
		476391	100.000

判定峰的基准:0