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# Copper-Catalyzed Direct C-H Phosphorylation of N-iminoisoquinolinium ylides with H-Phosphonates

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#### **I** General Methods:

Chemicals were either purchased or purified by standard techniques. <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were measured on a Bruker ADVANCE-500 spectrometer (<sup>1</sup>H at 500 MHz, <sup>13</sup>C at 125 MHz), using CDCl<sub>3</sub> as the solvent with tetramethylsilane (TMS) as an internal standard at room temperature. Chemical shifts are given in δ relative to CDCl<sub>3</sub>, the coupling constants J are given in hertz. High resolution mass spectra were recorded on an ESI-Q-TOF mass spectrometry. All reactions under nitrogen atmosphere were conducted using standard Schlenk techniques. Melting points were measured on X-4 melting point apparatus (Beijing Tech. Instrument) and uncorrected. Infrared data was measured by infrared (cm<sup>-1</sup>). Column chromatography was performed using EM Silica gel 60 (300-400 mesh).

**Synthesis of N-iminoisoquinolinium ylides**. All the isoquinoline N-amides was prepared by previously reported procedure. <sup>[1]</sup>

## II Optimization of reaction conditions:

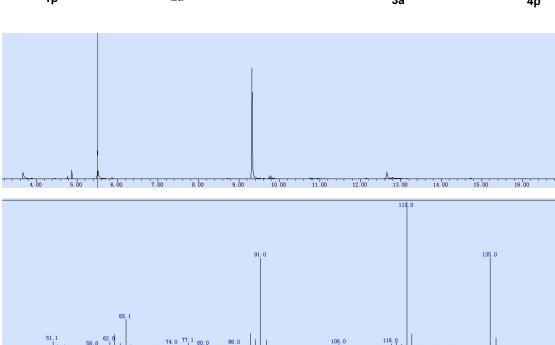
#### 1) Synthesis of compounds 3

To an oven dried 10 mL vial was added (tert-butoxycarbonyl) (3-phenylisoquinolin-2-ium-2-yl) amide (**1a**, 0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and diethyl phosphonate (**2a**, 0.2 mmol, 2.0 equiv) in 2 mL solvent, followed by addition of the catalyst (10 mol%) and base (0.2 mmol, 2.0 equiv), the reaction was stirred at 100 °C (oil bath temperature) for 24 h and then cooled to room temperature. The reaction mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure and the resulting residue was purified by flash chromatography (solvent degreaser / ethyl acetate = 5:1) to provide **3a**.

#### 2) Control experiments

To an oven dried 10 mL vial was added (4-methylbenzoyl) (3-phenylisoquinolin-2-ium-2-yl)amide (**1p**, 0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and diethyl phosphonate (**2a**, 0.2 mmol, 2.0 equiv) in 2 mL solvent, followed by addition of the catalyst (10 mol%) and base (0.2 mmol, 2.0 equiv), the reaction was stirred at 100 °C (oil bath temperature) for 24 h and then cooled to room temperature. Then capture **4p** through GC-MS analysis.

$$\begin{array}{c} Cul \\ K_2CO_3 \\ \hline D_2O \\ dry DCE \\ 100^{\circ}C 24h \end{array}$$



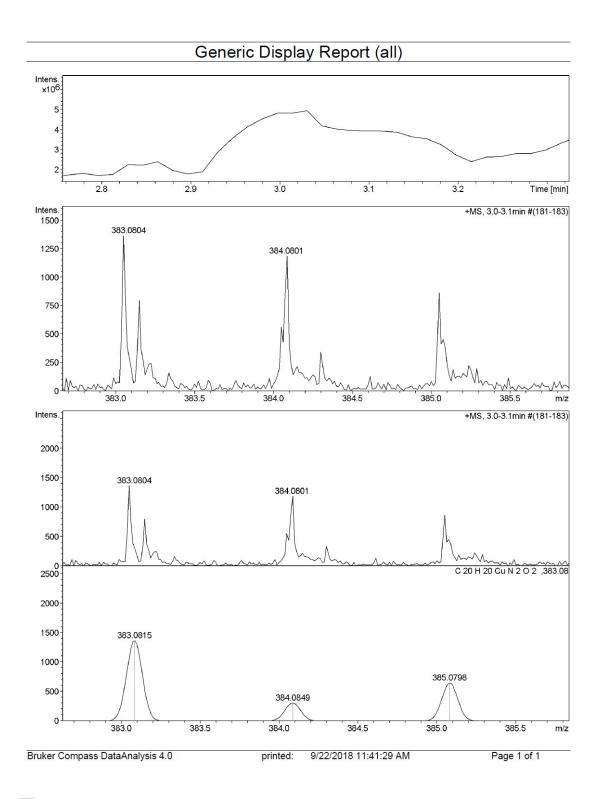
Entry	m/z	Abundance	Entry	m/z	Abundance
1	50.10	4.0	24	86.00	1.0
2	51.00	5.0	25	87.00	1.0

3	52.10	2.0	26	87.90	0.0
4	53.20	1.0	27	89.00	10.0
5	58.70	0.0	28	90.10	6.0
6	60.00	0.0	29	91.10	68.0
7	61.00	1.0	30	92.10	6.0
8	62.00	4.0	31	93.10	0.0
9	63.00	10.0	32	104.00	1.0
10	64.00	3.0	33	105.00	0.0
11	65.10	21.0	34	106.00	2.0
12	66.10	1.0	35	107.10	0.0
13	67.00	0.0	36	116.00	2.0
14	67.80	0.0	37	117.00	3.0
15	73.10	0.0	38	118.00	2.0
16	74.00	1.0	39	119.00	100.0
17	75.00	1.0	40	120.00	9.0
18	76.10	1.0	41	121.00	1.0
19	77.00	3.0	42	134.10	0.0
20	78.10	1.0	43	135.10	60.0
21	79.00	1.0	44	136.00	6.0
22	80.00	0.0	45	137.00	0.0
23	85.00	1.0			

#### 3) HRMS (ESI) studies on copper complex **B**

To an oven dried 10 mL vial was added (tert-butoxycarbonyl) (3-phenylisoquinolin-2-ium-2-yl) amide (1a, 0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and diethyl phosphonate (2a, 0.2 mmol, 2.0 equiv) in 2 mL solvent, followed by addition of the catalyst (10 mol%) and base (0.2 mmol, 2.0 equiv), the reaction was stirred at 100 °C (oil bath temperature) for 1h. Then 0.01 mL of the solution was dilute from the vial, and subjected to run ESI analysis.

HRMS (ESI) Calcd for  $C_{20}H_{20}CuN_2O_2^+$  ([B]+) 383.0804, Found: 383.0815.



## ${\rm I\hspace{-.1em}I\hspace{-.1em}I}$ Characterization of products:

diethyl (3-phenylisoquinolin-1-yl)phosphonate (3a)[2]

Yellow oil ( 28.0 mg, 82% yield ); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.92 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.14–8.16 (m, 3H), 7.86 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.40 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 4.37–4.43 (m, 4H), 1.42 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  152.4 (d, <sup>1</sup> $J_{c-p}$ = 222.5 Hz), 149.8 (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{c-p}$  = 25.0 Hz), 138.7 (s), 137.1 (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{c-p}$  = 10.0 Hz), 130.6 (s), 128.9 (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{c-p}$  = 28.8 Hz), 128.8 (s), 128.8 (s), 128.1 (s), 127.7 (d, <sup>4</sup> $J_{c-p}$  = 2.5 Hz), 127.1 (s), 126.9 (s), 119.2 (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{c-p}$  = 5.0 Hz), 63.5 (d, <sup>2</sup> $J_{c-p}$  = 6.3 Hz), 16.5 (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{c-p}$  = 6.3 Hz); HRMS (ESI) Calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>21</sub>N<sub>3</sub>OP<sup>+</sup> ([M + H]<sup>+</sup>) 342.1254, Found: 342.1254.

#### diethyl (6-methyl-3-phenylisoquinolin-1-yl)phosphonate (3b)

Yellow oil (26.6 mg, 75% yield); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.80 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 8.15 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 8.09 (s, 1H), 7.65 (s, 1H), 7.46–7.51 (m, 3H), 7.41 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.52–4.25 (m, 4H), 2.53 (s, 3H), 1.41 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  151.9 (d,  ${}^{1}J_{c-p}$  = 225.0 Hz), 149.9 (d,  ${}^{3}J_{c-p}$  = 25.0 Hz), 141.1 (s), 138.9 (s), 137.5 (d,  ${}^{3}J_{c-p}$  = 11.3 Hz), 130.5 (s), 128.8 (s), 128.8 (s), 127.4 (d,  ${}^{2}J_{c-p}$  = 30.0 Hz), 126.9 (s), 126.8 (s), 126.5 (d,  ${}^{4}J_{c-p}$  = 2.5 Hz), 118.7 (d,  ${}^{3}J_{c-p}$  = 3.8 Hz), 63.5 (d,  ${}^{2}J_{c-p}$  = 6.3 Hz), 21.9 (s), 16.4 (d,  ${}^{3}J_{c-p}$  = 6.3 Hz); HRMS (ESI) Calcd for  $C_{20}H_{23}NO_4P^+$  ([M + H] $^+$ ) 372.1359, Found: 372.1387.

#### diethyl (7-methoxy-3-phenylisoquinolin-1-yl)phosphonate (3c)

Yellow oil (23.7 mg, 64% yield); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.30 (s, 1H), 8.16 – 8.10 (m, 3H), 7.77 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.39 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.34 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 4.45–4.33 (m, 4H), 3.99 (s, 3H), 1.42 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  159.1 (s), 149.9 (d, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>c-p</sub> = 222.5 Hz), 148.3 (d,

 ${}^{3}J_{\text{c-p}} = 25.0 \text{ Hz}$ ), 138.8 (s), 132.9 (d,  ${}^{3}J_{\text{c-p}} = 11.3 \text{ Hz}$ ), 130.5 (d,  ${}^{2}J_{\text{c-p}} = 28.8 \text{ Hz}$ ), 129.2 (d,  ${}^{4}J_{\text{c-p}} = 3.8 \text{ Hz}$ ), 128.8 (s), 128.5 (s), 126.6 (s), 124.2 (s), 119.2 (d,  ${}^{3}J_{\text{c-p}} = 5.0 \text{ Hz}$ ), 104.3 (s), 63.4 (d,  ${}^{2}J_{\text{c-p}} = 6.3 \text{ Hz}$ ), 55.6 (s), 16.5 (d,  ${}^{3}J_{\text{c-p}} = 6.3 \text{ Hz}$ ); HRMS (ESI) Calcd for  $C_{21}H_{25}NO_{5}P^{+}$  ([M + H]<sup>+</sup>) 402.1465, Found: 402.1475.

#### diethyl (6,7-dimethoxy-3-phenylisoquinolin-1-yl)phosphonate (3d)

Yellow oil (22.5 mg, 56% yield); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.36 (s, 1H), 8.12 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 8.04 (s, 1H), 7.47 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.38 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.12 (s, 1H), 4.40–4.35(m, 4H), 4.08 (s, 3H), 4.01 (s, 3H), 1.41 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  153.15 (s), 150.9 (s), 148.8 (d,  ${}^{3}J_{c-p}$  = 25.0 Hz), 148.8 (d,  ${}^{1}J_{c-p}$  = 221.2 Hz), 139.0 (s), 134.3 (d,  ${}^{3}J_{c-p}$  = 10.0 Hz), 128.7 (s), 128.4 (s), 126.5 (s), 125.8 (d,  ${}^{2}J_{c-p}$  = 31.3 Hz), 118.0 (d,  ${}^{3}J_{c-p}$  = 3.8 Hz), 105.3 (d,  ${}^{4}J_{c-p}$  = 2.5 Hz), 105.1 (s), 63.4 (d,  ${}^{2}J_{c-p}$  = 6.3 Hz), 56.1 (s), 56.0 (s), 16.4 (d,  ${}^{3}J_{c-p}$  = 6.3 Hz); HRMS (ESI) Calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>25</sub>NO<sub>5</sub>P<sup>+</sup> ([M + H]<sup>+</sup>) 402.1465, Found: 402.1475.

#### diethyl (7-phenyl-[1,3]dioxolo[4,5-g]isoquinolin-5-yl)phosphonate (3e)

Yellow oil (34.1 mg, 92% yield); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.26 (s, 1H), 8.10 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.98 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.40 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.10 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.08 (s, 2H), 4.39–4.35 (m, 4H), 1.41 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  151.0 (s), 149.3 (s), 148.6 (d, <sup>1</sup> $J_{c-p} = 222.5$  Hz), 149.1 (s), 138.8 (s), 136.0 (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{c-p} = 11.3$  Hz), 128.7 (s), 128.6 (s), 126.9 (d, <sup>2</sup> $J_{c-p} = 28.8$ Hz), 126.6 (s), 118.9 (d, <sup>4</sup> $J_{c-p} = 3.8$  Hz), 103.1 (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{c-p} = 5.0$  Hz), 101.9 (s), 63.4 (d, <sup>2</sup> $J_{c-p} = 6.3$  Hz), 29.7 (s), 16.4 (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{c-p} = 6.3$  Hz); HRMS (ESI) Calcd for  $C_{20}H_{21}NO_5P^+$  ([M + H]<sup>+</sup>) 386.1152, Found: 386.1168.

#### diethyl (3-phenyl-7-(trifluoromethyl)isoquinolin-1-yl)phosphonate (3f)

$$F_3C \xrightarrow{Q} N$$

Yellow solid(17.2 mg, 42% yield); mp 110–112 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  9.28 (s, 1H), 8.24 (d, J = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 8.19 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 8.04 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.88 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.47 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 4.47–4.38 (m, 4H), 1.45 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 6H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  154.0 (d,  ${}^{1}J_{c-p}$  = 222.5Hz), 151.9 (d,  ${}^{3}J_{c-p}$  = 23.8 Hz), 138.3 (d,  ${}^{3}J_{c-p}$  = 10.0 Hz), 138.0 (s), 129.5 (s), 129.5 (s), 129.5 (s), 129.0 (s), 128.9 (d,  ${}^{3}J_{c-p}$  = 2.5 Hz), 127.6 (d,  ${}^{2}J_{c-p}$  = 28.8 Hz), 127.1 (s), 126.3 (d,  ${}^{4}J_{c-p}$  = 2.5Hz), 125.4–125.1 (m), 124.8 (s), 122.7 (s), 118.6 (s), 63.8 (d,  ${}^{2}J_{c-p}$  = 6.3 Hz), 16.4 (d,  ${}^{3}J_{c-p}$  = 6.3 Hz); HRMS (ESI) Calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>20</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>P<sup>+</sup> ([M + H]<sup>+</sup>) 410.1127, Found: 410.1127

#### diethyl (3-(p-tolyl)isoquinolin-1-yl)phosphonate (3g)

Yellow oil (30.2 mg, 85% yield); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.91 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.13 (s, 1H), 8.06 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.85 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.30 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 4.59–4.22 (m, 4H), 2.41 (s, 3H), 1.41 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  152.3 (d, <sup>1</sup> $J_{c-p}$  = 221.2 Hz), 150.0 (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{c-p}$  = 25.0 Hz), 138.8 (s), 137.1 (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{c-p}$  = 10.0 Hz), 136.0 (s), 130.5 (s), 129.6 (s), 128.8 (d, <sup>2</sup> $J_{c-p}$  = 30.0 Hz), 127.9 (s), 127.6 (d, <sup>4</sup> $J_{c-p}$  = 2.5 Hz), 127.1 (s), 126.8 (s), 118.7 (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{c-p}$  = 3.8 Hz), 63.5 (d, <sup>2</sup> $J_{c-p}$  = 6.3 Hz), 21.2 (s), 16.4 (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{c-p}$  = 6.3 Hz); HRMS (ESI) Calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>23</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>P<sup>+</sup> ([M + H]<sup>+</sup>) 356.1410, Found: 356.1426.

#### diethyl (3-(4-ethylphenyl)isoquinolin-1-yl)phosphonate (3h)

Yellow oil (25.5 mg, 67% yield); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.90 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.17 (s, 1H), 8.10 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.89 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.35 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 4.58–4.30 (m, 4H), 2.73 (q,

J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 1.42 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 6H), 1.30 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  152.3 (d,  ${}^{1}J_{\text{c-p}} = 221.3 \text{ Hz}$ ), 150.0 (d,  ${}^{3}J_{\text{c-p}} = 25.0 \text{ Hz}$ ), 145.2 (s), 137.1 (d,  ${}^{3}J_{\text{c-p}} = 11.3 \text{ Hz}$ ), 136.2 (s), 130.6 (s), 128.8 (d,  ${}^{2}J_{\text{c-p}} = 30.0 \text{ Hz}$ ), 128.4 (s), 128.0 (s), 127.6 (d,  ${}^{4}J_{\text{c-p}} = 2.5 \text{ Hz}$ ), 127.1 (s), 126.9 (s), 118.8 (d,  ${}^{3}J_{\text{c-p}} = 3.8 \text{ Hz}$ ), 63.5 (d,  ${}^{2}J_{\text{c-p}} = 5.0 \text{ Hz}$ ), 28.7 (s), 16.4 (d,  ${}^{3}J_{\text{c-p}} = 6.3 \text{ Hz}$ ), 15.5 (s); HRMS (ESI) Calcd for  $C_{21}H_{25}NO_3P^+$  ([M + H] $^+$ ) 370.1567, Found: 370.1570.

#### diethyl (3-(4-methoxyphenyl)isoquinolin-1-yl)phosphonate (3i)[2]

Yellow oil (34.1 mg, 92% yield); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.90 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.10 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 8.07 (s, 1H), 7.83 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.59 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.01 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 4.58–4.27 (m, 4H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 1.42 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  160.4 (s), 152.2 (d, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>c-p</sub> = 221.2 Hz), 149.7 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>c-p</sub> = 25.0 Hz), 137.2 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>c-p</sub> = 11.2 Hz), 131.3 (s), 130.5 (s), 128.6 (d, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>c-p</sub> = 28.7 Hz), 128.1 (s), 127.7 (s), 127.5 (d, <sup>4</sup>J<sub>c-p</sub> = 2.5 Hz), 127.0 (s), 118.0 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>c-p</sub> = 3.7 Hz), 114.2 (s), 63.4 (d, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>c-p</sub> = 6.3 Hz), 55.3 (s), 16.4 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>c-p</sub> = 6.3 Hz).

#### diethyl (3-(4-cyanophenyl)isoquinolin-1-yl)phosphonate (3j)

Yellow solid (7.7 mg, 21% yield); mp 137–140 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.93 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.48–8.18 (m, 3H), 7.96 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.81–7.74 (m, 3H), 7.73 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 4.69–4.25 (m, 4H), 1.44 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 6H).¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  153.13 (d,  ${}^{1}J_{c-p}$  = 223.2 Hz), 147.57 (d,  ${}^{3}J_{c-p}$  = 25.0 Hz), 142.88 (s), 136.83 (d,  ${}^{3}J_{c-p}$  = 11.3 Hz), 132.63 (s), 131.12 (s), 129.27 (d,  ${}^{2}J_{c-p}$  = 28.8 Hz), 129.07 (s), 127.93 (d,  ${}^{4}J_{c-p}$  = 2.5 Hz), 127.33 (s), 127.27 (s), 120.41 (d,  ${}^{3}J_{c-p}$  = 3.8 Hz), 118.80 (s), 112.26 (s), 63.53 (d,  ${}^{2}J_{c-p}$  = 6.3 Hz), 16.46 (d,  ${}^{3}J_{c-p}$  = 6.3 Hz); HRMS (ESI) Calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>20</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>P<sup>+</sup> ([M + H]<sup>+</sup>) 367.1206, Found: 370.1570.

#### diethyl (3-(o-tolyl)isoquinolin-1-yl)phosphonate (3k)

Yellow oil (16.0 mg, 45% yield); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  9.28 (s, 1H), 8.24 (s, 1H), 8.19 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 8.04 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.88 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.47 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 4.47–4.38 (m, 4H), 1.45 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  154.0 (d, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>c-p</sub> = 222.5 Hz), 151.9 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>c-p</sub> = 23.8 Hz), 138.3 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>c-p</sub> = 10.0 Hz), 138.0 (s), 129.5 (s), 129.0 (s), 128.9 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>c-p</sub> = 2.5 Hz), 127.6 (d, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>c-p</sub> = 28.8 Hz), 127.1 (s), 126.3 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>c-p</sub> = 2.5 Hz), 125.3 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>c-p</sub> = 5.0 Hz), 124.8 (s), 122.7 (s), 118.6 (d, <sup>4</sup>J<sub>c-p</sub> = 3.7 Hz), 63.8 (d, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>c-p</sub> = 6.3 Hz), 29.7 (s), 16.4 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>c-p</sub> = 6.3 Hz); HRMS (ESI) Calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>23</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>P<sup>+</sup> ([M + H]<sup>+</sup>) 356.1410, Found: 356.1417.

#### diethyl (3-(2-methoxyphenyl)isoquinolin-1-yl)phosphonate (31)

Yellow oil (19.3 mg, 52% yield); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.91 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.44 (s, 1H), 8.08 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.86 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.71–7.56 (m, 2H), 7.36 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.11 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.01 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.63–4.22 (m, 4H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 1.39 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  157.4 (s), 151.8 (d,  ${}^{1}J_{c-p}$  = 222.5 Hz), 147.9 (d,  ${}^{3}J_{c-p}$  = 25.0 Hz), 136.6 (d,  ${}^{3}J_{c-p}$  = 11.3 Hz), 131.5 (s), 130.3 (s), 129.8 (s), 128.5 (d,  ${}^{2}J_{c-p}$  = 30.0 Hz), 128.1 (s), 128.0 (s), 127.9 (d,  ${}^{4}J_{c-p}$  = 2.5 Hz), 126.8 (s), 124.3 (d,  ${}^{3}J_{c-p}$  = 3.8 Hz), 121.0 (s), 111.6 (s), 63.4 (d,  ${}^{2}J_{c-p}$  = 6.3 Hz), 55.6 (s), 16.4 (d,  ${}^{3}J_{c-p}$  = 6.3 Hz); HRMS (ESI) Calcd for  $C_{20}H_{23}NO_4P^+$  ([M + H]<sup>+</sup>) 372.1359, Found: 372.1386.

#### diethyl (3-(thiophen-2-yl)isoquinolin-1-yl)phosphonate (3m)

Black oil (25.6 mg, 65% yield); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.86 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.05 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 7.84 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.66–7.69 (m, 2H), 7.60 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (d, J = 5.0 Hz, 1H), 7.14 (d, J = 4.5 Hz, 1H), 4.57–4.30 (m, 4H), 1.44 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  152.6 (d, <sup>1</sup> $J_{c-p}$  = 220.0 Hz), 145.5 (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{c-p}$  = 25.0 Hz), 144.6 (s), 136.9 (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{c-p}$  = 10.0 Hz), 130.9 (s), 128.8 (d, <sup>2</sup> $J_{c-p}$  = 28.8 Hz), 128.2 (s), 127.9 (s), 127.4 (d, <sup>4</sup> $J_{c-p}$  = 2.5 Hz), 127.4 (s), 127.3 (s), 124.2 (s), 117.0 (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{c-p}$  = 3.8 Hz), 63.8 (d, <sup>2</sup> $J_{c-p}$  = 6.3 Hz), 16.5 (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{c-p}$  = 6.3 Hz); HRMS (ESI) Calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>19</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>PS<sup>+</sup> ([M + H]<sup>+</sup>) 348.0818, Found: 348.0826.

#### diethyl (3-butylisoquinolin-1-yl)phosphonate (3n)

Yellow oil (25.7 mg, 80% yield); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.87 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.61–7.56 (m, 2H), 4.60–4.23 (m, 4H), 2.99 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 2.00–1.56 (m, 2H), 1.42–1.38 (m, 8H), 0.95 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  154.9 (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{c-p}$  = 25.0 Hz), 151.8 (d, <sup>1</sup> $J_{c-p}$  = 221.3 Hz), 136.8 (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{c-p}$  = 11.3 Hz), 130.2 (s), 128.3 (d, <sup>2</sup> $J_{c-p}$  = 28.8 Hz), 127.3 (s), 126.9 (s), 126.8 (d, <sup>4</sup> $J_{c-p}$  = 2.5 Hz), 121.2 (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{c-p}$  = 4.1 Hz), 63.2 (d, <sup>2</sup> $J_{c-p}$  = 6.3 Hz), 37.4 (s), 31.8 (s), 22.3 (s), 16.3 (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{c-p}$  = 6.3 Hz), 13.9 (s); (ESI) Calcd for  $C_{17}H_{24}NO_3P^+$  ([M + H]<sup>+</sup>) 322.1567, Found: 322.1582.

#### dimethyl (3-phenylisoquinolin-1-yl)phosphonate (30)

Yellow oil (23.2 mg, 74% yield); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.86 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.26–8.12 (m, 3H), 7.88 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.68 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.42 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 4.03 (s, 3H), 4.01 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  151.6 (d, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>c-p</sub> = 222.5 Hz), 149.9 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>c-p</sub> = 25.0 Hz), 138.6 (s), 137.1 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>c-p</sub> = 11.3 Hz), 130.8 (s), 128.9 (s), 128.9 (s), 128.4 (d, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>c-p</sub> = 30.0 Hz), 128.3 (s), 127.7 (d, <sup>4</sup>J<sub>c-p</sub> = 2.5 Hz), 126.9 (s), 126.9 (s), 119.4 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>c-p</sub> = 5.0

Hz), 54.1 (d,  ${}^{2}J_{c-p}$  =6.3 Hz); HRMS (ESI) Calcd for  $C_{17}H_{17}NO_{3}P^{+}$  ([M + H]<sup>+</sup>) 314.0941, Found: 314.0936.

#### dibutyl (3-phenylisoquinolin-1-yl)phosphonate (3p)

Yellow oil (34.6 mg, 87% yield); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.92 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.16–8.17 (m, 3H), 7.88 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.69 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (t, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.42 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 4.49–4.15 (m, 4H), 2.04–1.62 (m, 4H), 1.45 (dq, J = 15.0, 7.5 Hz, 4H), 0.91 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  152.6 (d, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>c-p</sub> = 221.3 Hz), 149.9 (d, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>c-p</sub> = 23.8 Hz), 138.7 (s), 137.1 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>c-p</sub> = 11.3 Hz), 130.6 (s), 129.1 (s), 128.8 (s), 128.8 (s), 128.1 (s), 127.7 (d, <sup>4</sup>J<sub>c-p</sub> = 2.5 Hz), 127.2 (s), 126.9 (s), 119.1 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>c-p</sub> = 3.8 Hz), 67.2(d, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>c-p</sub> = 6.3 Hz), 32.6 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>c-p</sub> = 6.3 Hz), 18.8 (s), 13.6 (s); HRMS (ESI) Calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>29</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>P<sup>+</sup> ([M + H]<sup>+</sup>) 396.1880, Found: 398.1896.

#### dibenzyl (3-phenylisoquinolin-1-yl)phosphonate (3q)

Yellow oil (39.1 mg, 84% yield); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.89 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.18 (s, 1H), 8.10 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.89 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.69 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.46 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.43–7.35 (m, 5H), 7.30–7.27 (m, 6H), 5.41–5.32 (m, 4H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  152.1 (d, <sup>1</sup> $J_{c-p}$  = 225.5 Hz), 150.0 (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{c-p}$  = 25.0 Hz), 138.6 (s), 137.1 (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{c-p}$  = 10.8 Hz), 136.2 (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{c-p}$  = 6.6 Hz), 130.7 (s), 129.1 (s), 128.9 (s), 128.8 (s), 128.5 (s), 128.3 (s), 128.2 (s), 127.9 (s), 127.7 (d, <sup>4</sup> $J_{c-p}$  = 2.5 Hz), 127.1 (s), 127.0 (s), 119.4 (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{c-p}$  = 3.8 Hz), 68.9 (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{c-p}$  = 6.3 Hz); HRMS (ESI) Calcd for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>25</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>P<sup>+</sup> ([M + H]<sup>+</sup>) 466.1567, Found: 466.1576.

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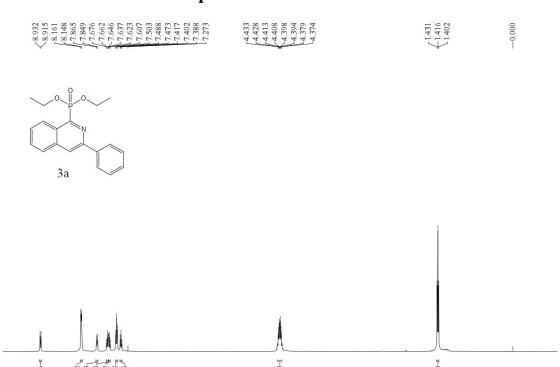
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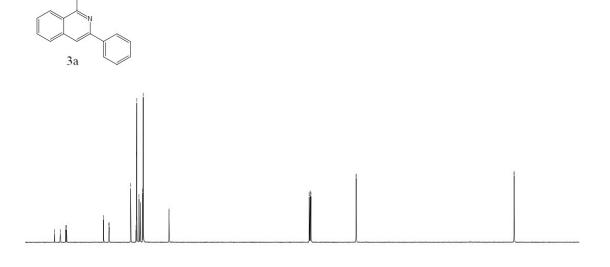
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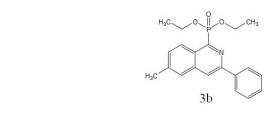
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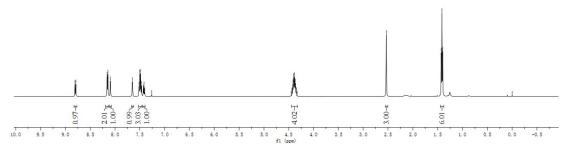
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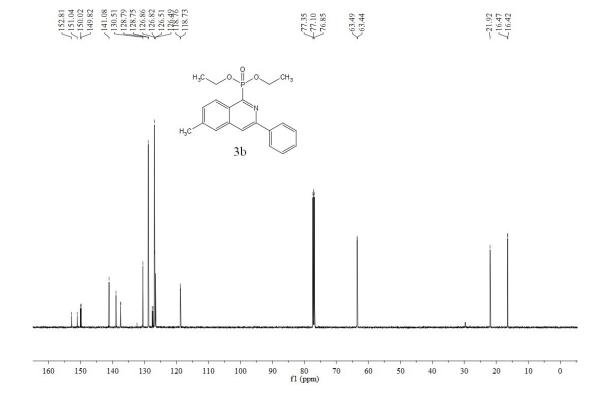
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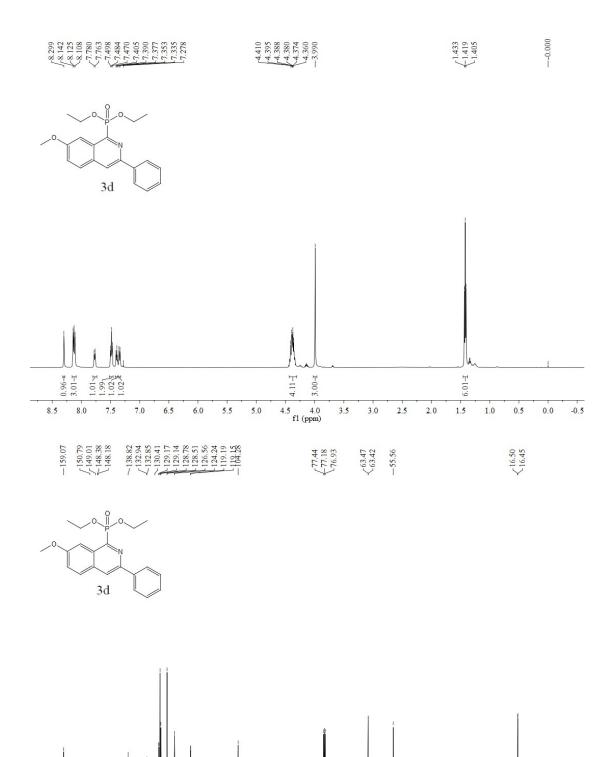
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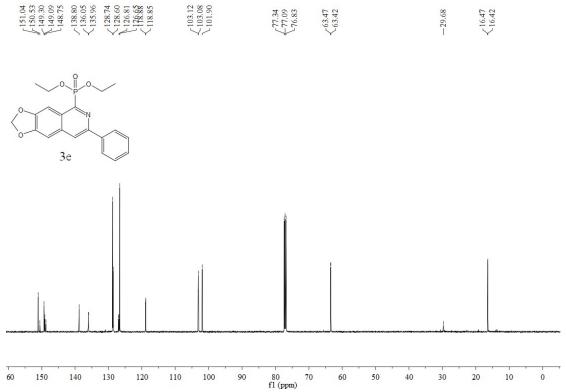
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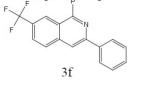
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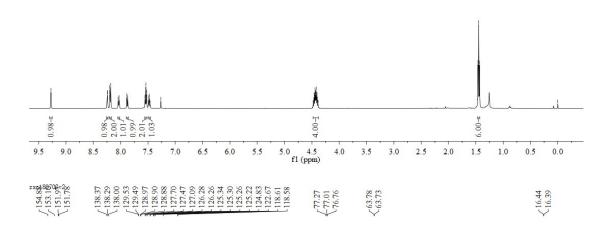
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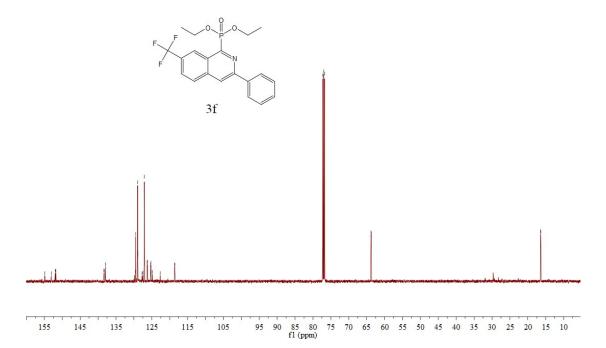
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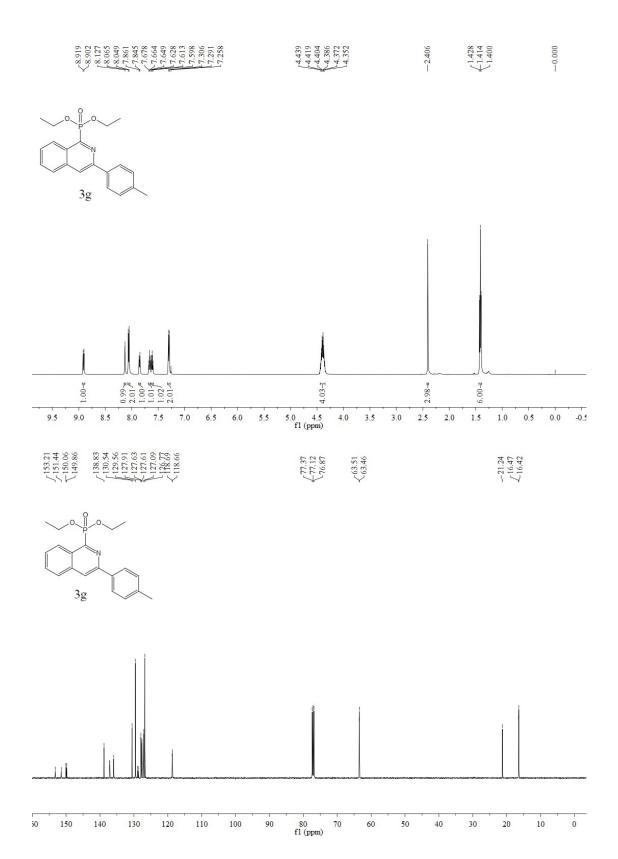


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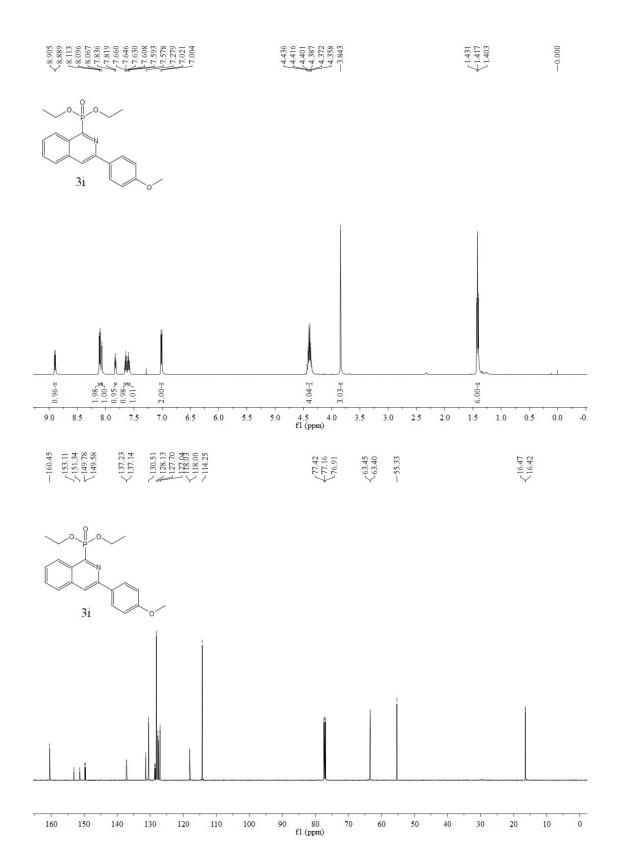
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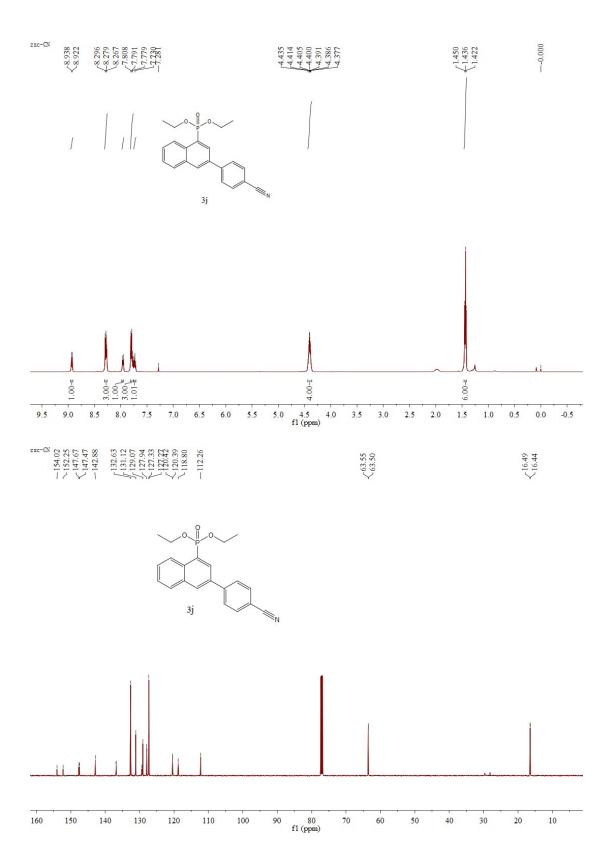
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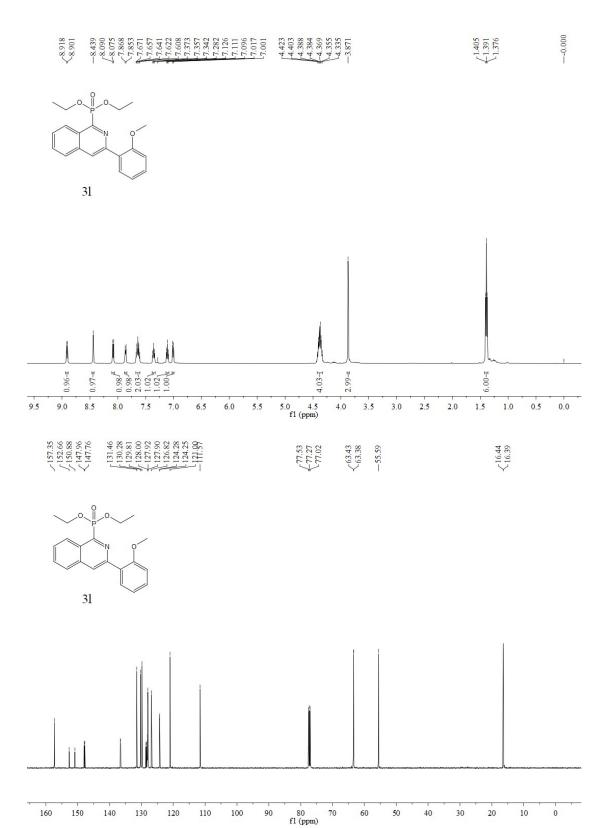
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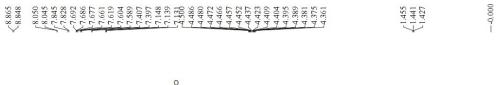
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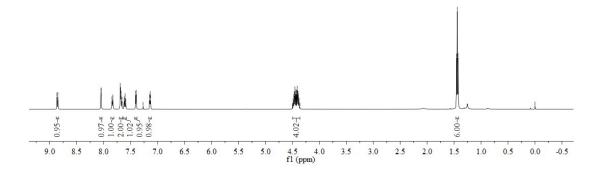
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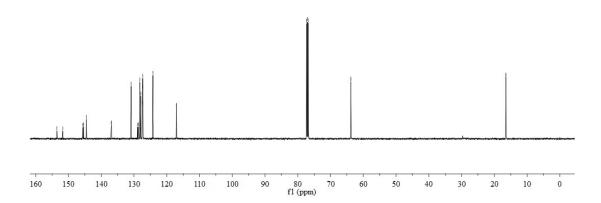


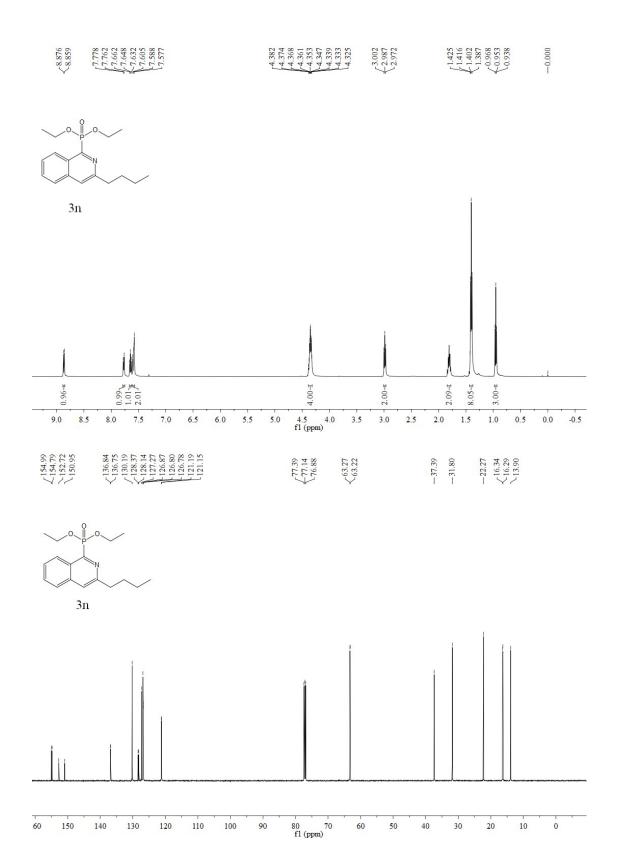


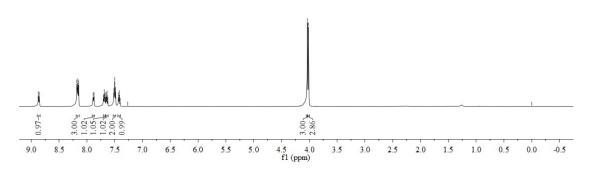
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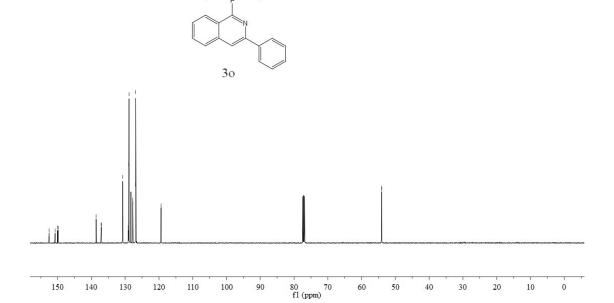
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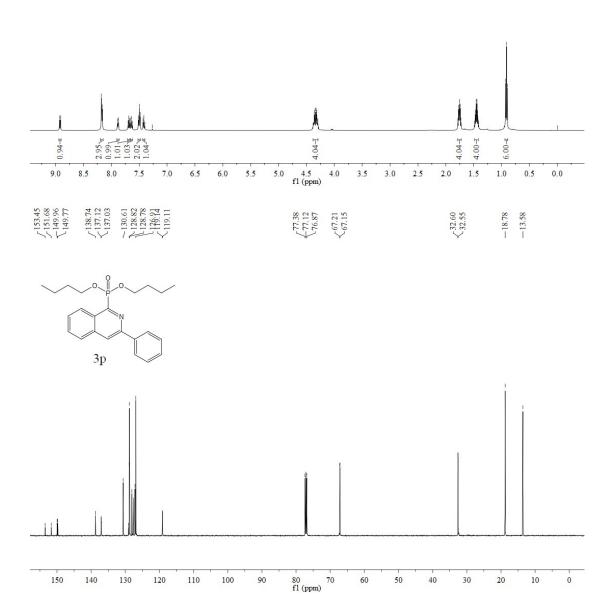






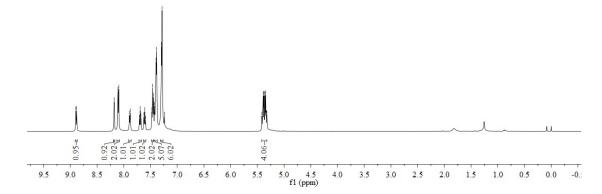
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