

An Efficient 3-Acylquinoline Synthesis from Acetophenones and Anthranil via C(sp³)-H Bond Activation Mediated by Selectfluor

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SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Experimental Section

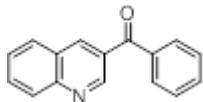
All reagents and solvents were used from commercial sources unless otherwise stated. All raw materials are obtained from commercial sources or synthesized and used by themselves. All experiments were conducted in the air. Thin-layer chromatography (TLC) uses a pre-coated plate (silica gel 60 PF254, 0.25 mm or 0.5 mm). Column chromatography on silica gel (240-400 mesh) with petroleum ether and ethyl acetate as eluent. The ^1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra of the 200/400/600 MHz and 50/100/125 MHz NMR spectrometers were recorded in $\text{CDCl}_3/\text{DMSO-d}_6$, respectively. Chemical changes are reported as δ peaks. Uncorrected melting point. Mass spectra were obtained using an LC-MS (ESI) mass or GC-MS mass spectrometer.

Procedures

Selectfluor (390mg, 1.1 mmol), acetophenone (120 mg, 1 mmol) and anthranil (120 mg, 1 mmol) were added to a solution of DMSO (3.0 mL), the reaction mixture was stirred in a tube at 100 °C for 24 h. The reaction was monitored by TLC. Once the reaction was completed, the reaction mixture was treated with H_2O (15.0 mL) and EtOAc (8.0 mL). The organic and aqueous layers were then separated, and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 x 8 mL). The combined organic extracts were dried (Na_2SO_4), then the solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the remaining residue was purified by column chromatography. Compound **3aa** (166 mg, 71% yield) was obtained as a white solid. (3a as an Example)

Phenyl(quinolin-3-yl)methanone (3aa)

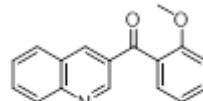
White solid; mp 73–75 °C (lit. value¹ 74–75 °C). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.33 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 8.58 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 8.22 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.94 (dd, J = 8.1, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.86 – 7.88 (m, 3H), 7.69 – 7.64 (m, 2H), 7.57 – 7.53 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.84, 150.27, 149.36, 138.93, 137.03, 133.11, 131.93, 130.11, 130.05, 129.43, 129.18, 128.68, 127.66, 126.66. EI-MS: m/z [M+H]⁺ 234.



3aa

(2-Methoxyphenyl)(quinolin-3-yl)methanone (3ba)

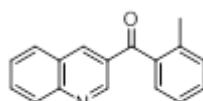
Yellow solid; mp 73–75 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.30 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 8.63 – 8.59 (m, 1H), 8.24 – 8.19 (m, 1H), 7.99 – 7.94 (m, 1H), 7.89 – 7.86 (m, 1H), 7.68 – 7.55 (m, 3H), 7.17 (td, J = 7.5, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 7.08 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.77, 157.59, 150.47, 149.48, 138.57, 133.04, 131.82, 130.62, 130.25, 129.43, 129.33, 127.84, 127.34, 127.03, 121.01, 111.55, 55.58. HRMS (ESI): calcd. for C₁₇H₁₄NO₂ [M + H]⁺ 264.1019; found 264.1008.



3ba

Quinolin-3-yl(o-tolyl)methanone (3ca)

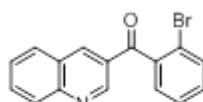
Light yellow oil. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.36 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 8.51 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 8.22 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.92 – 7.85 (m, 2H), 7.62 – 7.66 (m, 1H), 7.48 (td, J = 7.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.41 – 7.36 (m, 2H), 7.33 – 7.29 (m, 1H), 2.41 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.85, 150.15, 149.45, 139.59, 137.50, 137.35, 132.27, 131.49, 131.04, 130.23, 129.40, 129.32, 128.91, 127.69, 126.78, 125.52, 20.17. HRMS (ESI): calcd. for C₁₇H₁₄NO [M + H]⁺ 248.1070; found 248.1077.



3ca

(2-Bromophenyl)(quinolin-3-yl)methanone (3da)

White solid; mp 131–133 °C (lit. value² 130–132 °C). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.39 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 8.54 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 8.24 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.97 – 7.89 (m, 2H), 7.78 – 7.74 (m, 1H), 7.68 (ddd, J = 8.1, 6.9, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (dd, J = 6.7, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (dt, J = 7.4, 1.4 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.53, 149.98, 149.75, 139.80, 139.74, 133.52, 132.55, 131.90, 129.56, 129.44, 129.33, 128.68, 127.75, 127.63, 126.83, 119.68. EI-MS: m/z [M+H]⁺ 312.



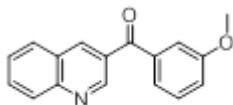
3da

(3-Methoxyphenyl)(quinolin-3-yl)methanone (3ga)

Yellow oil². ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.38 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 8.64 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 8.27 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.02 – 7.97 (m, 1H), 7.94 – 7.89 (m, 1H), 7.73 – 7.69 (m, 1H), 7.50 – 7.44 (m, 3H), 7.27 – 7.23 (m, 1H), 3.93 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.58, 159.91, 150.13, 149.17, 139.07,

138.30, 132.04, 130.20, 129.63, 129.30, 129.21, 127.73, 126.68, 122.85, 119.62, 114.24, 55.56.

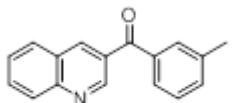
EI-MS: m/z [M+H]⁺ 264.



3ga

(Quinolin-3-yl(m-tolyl)methanone (3ha)

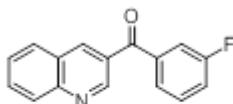
Light yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.37 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 8.64 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 8.27 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.99 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.94 – 7.91 (m, 1H), 7.75 – 7.68 (m, 3H), 7.52 – 7.48 (m, 2H), 2.50 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 195.01, 150.23, 149.21, 138.98, 138.68, 137.07, 133.92, 131.95, 130.46, 130.34, 129.34, 129.20, 128.50, 127.67, 127.37, 126.74, 21.40. HRMS (ESI): calcd. for C₁₇H₁₄NO [M + H]⁺ 248.1070; found 248.1067.



3ha

(3-Fluorophenyl)(quinolin-3-yl)methanone (3ia)

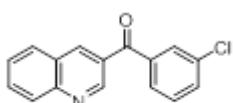
Light yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.37 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 8.62 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 8.27 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.99 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.93 (ddd, J = 8.4, 6.9, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.74 – 7.66 (m, 2H), 7.65 – 7.55 (m, 2H), 7.43 – 7.39 (m, 1H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.45, 163.22 (d, J_{C-F} = 248 Hz), 150.02, 149.45, 139.02, 132.21, 130.41 (d, J_{C-F} = 8 Hz), 129.60, 129.45, 129.24, 127.84, 126.59, 125.86, 120.18 (d, J = 21 Hz), 116.84 (d, J = 22 Hz). HRMS (ESI): calcd. for C₁₆H₁₁FNO [M + H]⁺ 252.0819; found 252.0839.



3ia

(3-Chlorophenyl)(quinolin-3-yl)methanone (3ja)

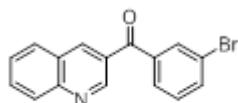
Light yellow oil. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.32 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 8.57 (d, J = 2.2, 1H), 8.25 – 8.20 (m, 1H), 7.96 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.91 – 7.85 (m, 2H), 7.75 – 7.71 (m, 1H), 7.68 – 7.65 (m, 1H), 7.64 – 7.62 (m, 1H), 7.52 – 7.48 (m, 1H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.44, 149.98, 149.45, 139.05, 138.63, 135.07, 133.06, 132.25, 130.00, 129.86, 129.52, 129.44, 129.26, 128.09, 127.85, 126.59. HRMS (ESI): calcd. for C₁₆H₁₁ClNO [M + H]⁺ 268.0524; found 268.0512.



3ja

(3-Bromophenyl)(quinolin-3-yl)methanone (3ka)

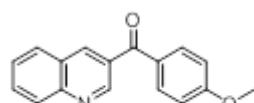
Light yellow solid; mp 67–68 °C (lit. value² 67–69 °C). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.37 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 8.63 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 8.28 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.06 (d, J = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 8.03 – 7.99 (m, 1H), 7.96 – 7.92 (m, 1H), 7.86 – 7.80 (m, 2H), 7.75 – 7.71 (m, 1H), 7.48 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.32, 149.94, 149.41, 139.13, 138.85, 136.00, 132.77, 132.30, 130.25, 129.52, 129.42, 129.29, 128.54, 127.90, 126.64, 123.06. EI-MS: m/z [M+H]⁺ 312.



3ka

(4-Methoxyphenyl)(quinolin-3-yl)methanone (3ma)

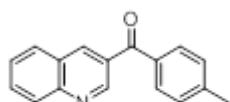
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3ma

Quinolin-3-yl(p-tolyl)methanone (3na)

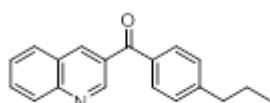
White solid; mp 88-89 °C (lit. value³ 89-90 °C). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.31 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 8.56 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 8.21 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.93 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.88 – 7.84 (m, 1H), 7.82 – 7.77 (m, 2H), 7.67 – 7.63 (m, 1H), 7.35 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 2.48 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.50, 150.29, 149.26, 144.11, 138.70, 134.37, 131.78, 130.47, 130.29, 129.40, 129.37, 129.12, 127.60, 126.69, 21.75. EI-MS: m/z [M+H]⁺ 248.



3na

(4-Propylphenyl)(quinolin-3-yl)methanone (3oa)

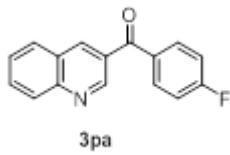
Yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 9.22 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 8.78 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 8.23 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 8.16 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.98 – 7.94 (m, 1H), 7.87 – 7.82 (m, 2H), 7.78 – 7.74 (m, 1H), 7.47 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 2.72 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 1.75 – 1.63 (m, 2H), 0.97 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 194.54, 150.24, 149.19, 148.70, 138.91, 134.73, 132.40, 130.60, 130.43, 130.23, 129.26, 128.06, 126.72, 37.69, 24.21, 14.14. HRMS (ESI): calcd. for C₁₉H₁₈NO [M + H]⁺ 276.1383; found 276.1371.



3oa

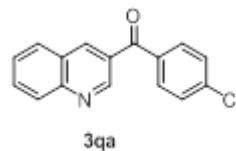
(4-Fluorophenyl)(quinolin-3-yl)methanone (3pa)

White solid; mp 80-81 °C (lit. value² 80-82 °C). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.34 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 8.59 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 8.26 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.00 – 7.91 (m, 4H), 7.74 – 7.69 (m, 1H), 7.27 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.27, 165.79 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 254 Hz), 150.02, 149.36, 138.71, 133.35, 132.69 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 9 Hz), 132.03, 130.07, 129.44, 129.14, 127.78, 126.64, 115.94 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 22 Hz). EI-MS: m/z [M+H]⁺ 252.



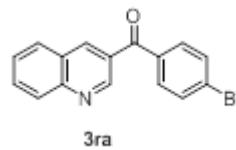
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White solid; mp 105-106 °C (lit. value² 104-106 °C). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.30 (d, J = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 8.54 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 8.21 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.93 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.90 – 7.86 (m, 1H), 7.84 – 7.81 (m, 2H), 7.68 – 7.64 (m, 1H), 7.58 – 7.50 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.63, 150.07, 149.51, 139.68, 138.77, 135.33, 132.07, 131.42, 129.77, 129.52, 129.17, 129.05, 127.77, 126.58. EI-MS: m/z [M+H]⁺ 268.



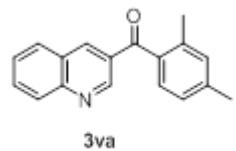
(4-Bromophenyl)(quinolin-3-yl)methanone (3ra)

White solid; mp 114-116 °C (lit. value³ 115-117 °C). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.30 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 8.56 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 8.25 – 8.20 (m, 1H), 7.94 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.91 – 7.87 (m, 1H), 7.75 (dt, J = 6.6, 2.0 Hz, 2H), 7.71 – 7.67 (m, 3H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.68, 149.91, 149.26, 138.99, 135.70, 132.21, 132.05, 131.49, 129.72, 129.33, 129.19, 128.37, 127.87, 126.61. EI-MS: m/z [M+H]⁺ 312.



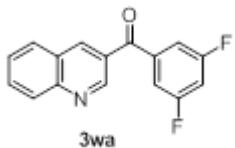
(2,4-Dimethylphenyl)(quinolin-3-yl)methanone (3va)

White solid; mp 118-120 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.38 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 8.54 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 8.24 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.95 – 7.87 (m, 2H), 7.69 – 7.65 (m, 1H), 7.35 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.23 (s, 1H), 7.14 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 2.46 (s, 3H), 2.45 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.64, 150.30, 149.42, 141.64, 139.30, 137.93, 134.61, 132.40, 132.04, 130.76, 129.69, 129.34, 129.32, 127.59, 126.81, 126.11, 21.46, 20.27. HRMS (ESI): calcd. for C₁₈H₁₆NO [M + H]⁺ 262.1226; found 262.1238.



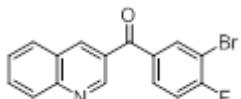
(3,5-Difluorophenyl)(quinolin-3-yl)methanone (3wa)

White solid; mp 118-119 °C (lit. value² 118-120 °C). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.36 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 8.61 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 8.26 (dd, J = 8.5, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 8.00 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.96 – 7.92 (m, 1H), 7.75 – 7.71 (m, 1H), 7.47 – 7.39 (m, 2H), 7.18 – 7.14 (m, 1H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.18, 163.05 (d, J_{C-F} = 260 Hz), 149.81, 149.66, 138.98, 132.40, 129.56, 129.28, 128.97, 127.95, 126.49, 112.94 (d, J_{C-F} = 26 Hz), 112.94 (d, J_{C-F} = 11 Hz), 108.40 (t, J_{C-F} = 21 Hz). EI-MS: m/z [M+H]⁺ 270.



(3-Bromo-4-fluorophenyl)(quinolin-3-yl)methanone (3xa)

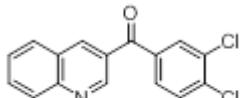
Yellow solid; mp 148–149 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 9.34 (d, $J = 1.8$ Hz, 1H), 8.67 – 8.59 (m, 1H), 8.29 (t, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 1H), 8.17 (dt, $J = 6.5, 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 8.05 – 7.92 (m, 2H), 7.89 – 7.85 (m, 1H), 7.79 – 7.70 (m, 1H), 7.37 – 7.31 (m, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 192.07, 162.04 (d, $J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 254$ Hz), 149.81, 149.47, 138.82, 135.67, 134.51, 132.27, 131.19 (d, $J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 8$ Hz), 129.46, 129.21, 127.91, 126.57, 116.80 (d, $J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 23$ Hz), 110.01 (d, $J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 21$ Hz). HRMS (ESI): calcd. for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{10}\text{BrFNO} [\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ 329.9924; found 329.9911.



3xa

(3,4-Dichlorophenyl)(quinolin-3-yl)methanone (3ya)

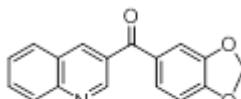
Yellow solid; mp 115–116 °C (lit. value¹ 113–114 °C). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 9.34 (d, $J = 2.1$ Hz, 1H), 8.61 (d, $J = 2.2$ Hz, 1H), 8.28 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 8.05 – 7.98 (m, 2H), 8.00 – 7.92 (m, 1H), 7.75 – 7.66 (m, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 192.37, 149.72, 149.44, 138.99, 137.86, 136.59, 133.55, 132.39, 131.76, 130.84, 129.43, 129.30, 129.24, 128.96, 127.97, 126.58. EI-MS: m/z [M+H]⁺ 302.



3ya

Benzo[d][1,3]dioxol-5-yl(quinolin-3-yl)methanone (3za)

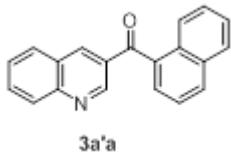
White solid; mp 92–93 °C (lit. value³ 92–94 °C). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 9.31 (d, $J = 2.1$ Hz, 1H), 8.62 – 8.53 (m, 1H), 8.25 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 8.02 – 7.86 (m, 2H), 7.69 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.46 (d, $J = 6.2$ Hz, 2H), 6.95 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.15 (s, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 192.99, 152.17, 150.03, 149.04, 148.40, 138.48, 131.82, 131.46, 130.76, 129.30, 129.08, 127.70, 127.08, 109.71, 108.02, 102.10, 29.70. HRMS (ESI): calcd. for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{12}\text{NO}_3$ [M + H]⁺ 278.0812; found 278.0829.



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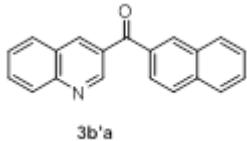
Naphthalen-1-yl(quinolin-3-yl)methanone (3a'a)

pale-yellow oil¹. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 9.49 – 9.44 (m, 1H), 8.68 – 8.66 (m, 1H), 8.33 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 1H), 8.27 – 8.23 (m, 1H), 8.15 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H), 8.05 – 8.01 (m, 1H), 7.95 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.73 – 7.69 (m, 2H), 7.65 – 7.60 (m, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 195.96, 149.92, 148.95, 140.17, 135.17, 133.92, 132.56, 132.28, 130.95, 130.87, 129.45, 128.98, 128.62, 128.49, 127.90, 127.81, 126.83, 125.45. EI-MS: m/z [M+H]⁺ 284.



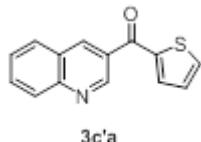
Naphthalen-2-yl(quinolin-3-yl)methanone (3b'a)

Yellow solid³. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.43 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 8.69 – 8.65 (m, 1H), 8.37 (d, *J* = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 8.31 – 8.26 (m, 1H), 8.05 (d, *J* = 1.3 Hz, 2H), 8.00 – 7.96 (m, 3H), 7.94 – 7.90 (m, 1H), 7.72 – 7.68 (m, 2H), 7.66 – 7.61 (m, 1H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.81, 150.36, 149.46, 138.81, 135.54, 134.34, 132.31, 132.09, 131.86, 130.48, 129.51, 129.20, 128.77, 127.92, 127.64, 127.10, 126.73, 125.45. EI-MS: m/z [M+H]⁺ 284.



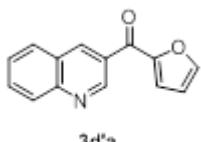
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White solid; mp 88–90 °C (lit. value³ 89–90 °C). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.40 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 8.73 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 8.26 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.04 – 7.99 (m, 1H), 7.95 – 7.90 (m, 1H), 7.86 (dd, *J* = 5.0, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.78 (dd, *J* = 3.8, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.73 – 7.68 (m, 1H), 7.28 (dd, *J* = 4.9, 3.8 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 186.14, 149.58, 149.40, 146.13, 143.23, 137.85, 135.09, 131.85, 130.77, 129.46, 129.10, 128.36, 127.74, 126.74. EI-MS: m/z [M+H]⁺ 240.



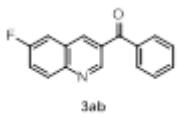
Furan-2-yl(quinolin-3-yl)methanone (3d'a)

White solid; mp 100–101 °C (lit. value³ 98–100 °C). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.47 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 8.85 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 8.22 – 8.17 (m, 1H), 7.98 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.88 – 7.84 (m, 1H), 7.80 – 7.76 (m, 1H), 7.67 – 7.63 (m, 1H), 7.40 (dd, *J* = 3.6, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 6.68 (dd, *J* = 3.5, 1.7 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 180.36, 152.43, 149.78, 149.51, 147.48, 138.37, 131.92, 129.68, 129.46, 129.27, 127.59, 126.78, 120.77, 112.69. EI-MS: m/z [M+H]⁺ 224.



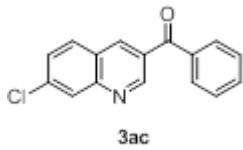
(6-Fluoroquinolin-3-yl)(phenyl)methanone (3ab)

Yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.31 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 8.55 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 8.25 (dd, *J* = 9.2, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 7.93 – 7.88 (m, 2H), 7.74 – 7.63 (m, 2H), 7.63 – 7.55 (m, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.62, 160.97 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 249 Hz), 149.57, 146.46, 138.07, 136.82, 133.31, 131.99 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 9 Hz), 130.80, 130.08, 128.75, 127.45 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 10 Hz), 122.11 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 26 Hz), 112.17 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 22 Hz). HRMS (ESI): calcd. for C₁₆H₁₁FNO [M + H]⁺ 252.0819; found 252.0802.



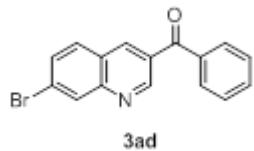
(7-Chloroquinolin-3-yl)(phenyl)methanone (3ac)

Yellow solid, mp 84-85 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 9.37 (d, $J = 2.1$ Hz, 1H), 8.61 (d, $J = 2.1$ Hz, 1H), 8.27 (d, $J = 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.93 – 7.89 (m, 3H), 7.75 – 7.70 (m, 1H), 7.66 (dd, $J = 8.7, 2.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.60 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 194.30, 151.78, 151.10, 149.26, 138.91, 138.32, 136.77, 133.33, 130.34, 130.04, 129.03, 128.79, 128.31, 125.15. HRMS (ESI): calcd. for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{11}\text{ClNO} [\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ 268.0524; found 268.0534.



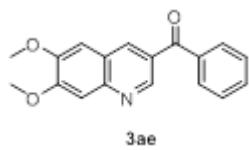
(7-Bromoquinolin-3-yl)(phenyl)methanone (3ad)

Yellow solid; mp 101-102 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 9.36 (d, $J = 2.1$ Hz, 1H), 8.61 (d, $J = 2.1$ Hz, 1H), 8.47 (d, $J = 1.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.92 – 7.88 (m, 2H), 7.86 (d, $J = 8.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.80 (dd, $J = 8.7, 1.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.72 (td, $J = 7.3, 1.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.62 – 7.58 (m, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 194.24, 150.93, 139.07, 136.75, 133.34, 131.60, 130.45, 130.28, 130.03, 129.08, 129.00, 128.80, 126.80, 125.42. HRMS (ESI): calcd. for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{11}\text{BrNO} [\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ 312.0019; found 312.0023.



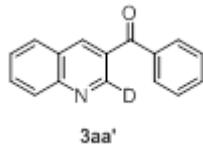
(6,7-Dimethoxyquinolin-3-yl)(phenyl)methanone (3ae)

White solid; mp 142-143 °C (lit. value³ 143-145 °C). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 9.19 (d, $J = 4.3$ Hz, 1H), 8.50 (dt, $J = 4.0, 2.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.92 – 7.88 (m, 2H), 7.74 – 7.67 (m, 1H), 7.62 – 7.54 (m, 3H), 7.19 (dd, $J = 4.3, 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 4.14 (s, 3H), 4.08 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 195.01, 154.62, 150.65, 148.38, 146.93, 137.44, 137.03, 132.79, 129.97, 128.58, 122.46, 107.80, 106.10, 56.40, 56.20. EI-MS: m/z [M+H]⁺ 294.



Phenyl(quinolin-3-yl-2-d)methanone (3aa')

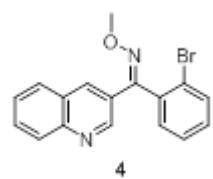
White solid, mp 33-34 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.60 (d, $J = 2.4$ Hz, 1H), 8.24 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.96 (dd, $J = 8.2, 1.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.93 – 7.89 (m, 3H), 7.73 – 7.65 (m, 2H), 7.60 – 7.56 (m, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 194.87, 150.32, 149.42, 138.92, 137.06, 133.12, 131.92, 130.07, 129.47, 129.20, 128.69, 127.66, 126.68. HRMS (ESI): calcd. for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{11}\text{DNO} [\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ 235.0976; found 235.0962.



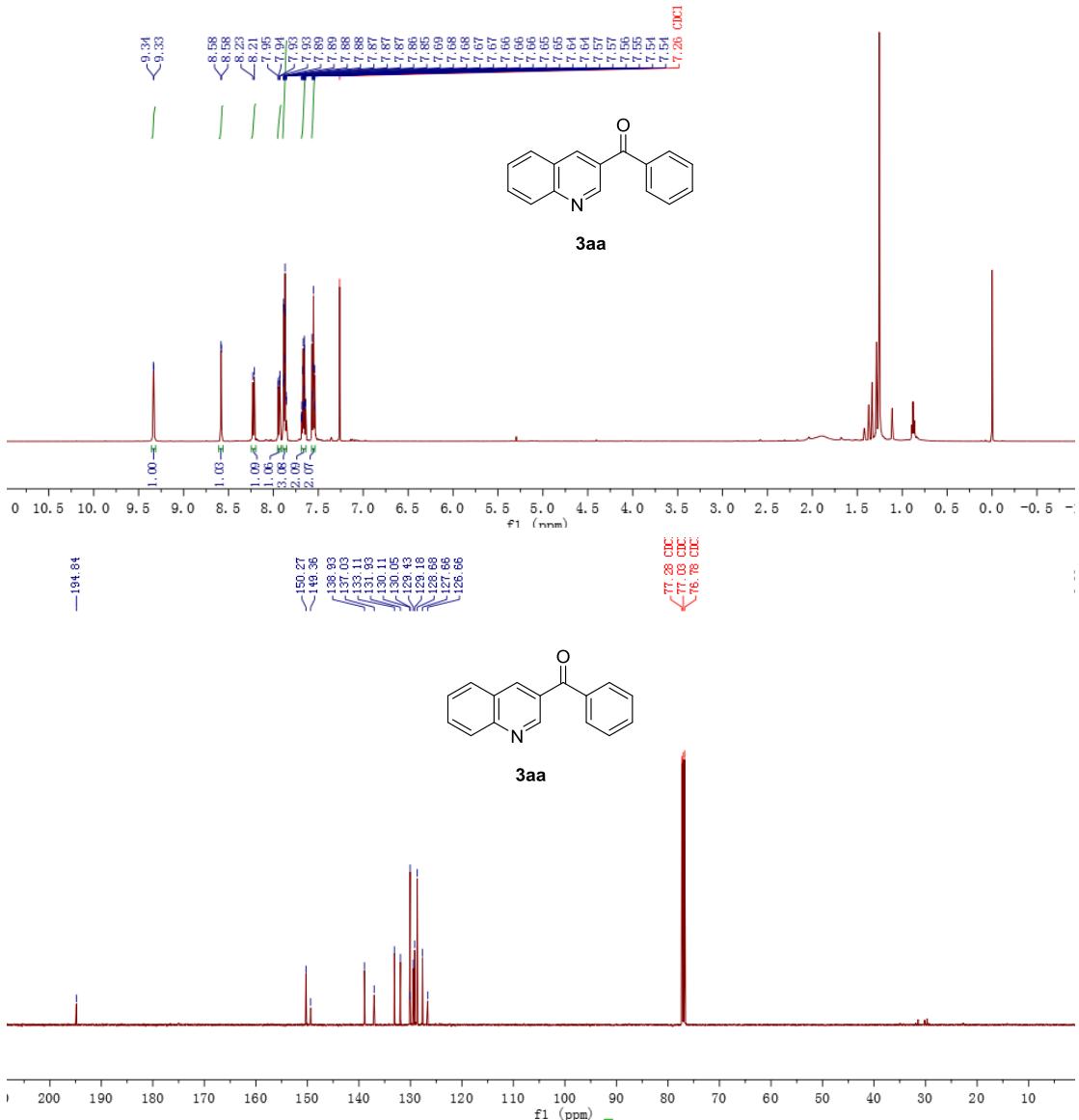
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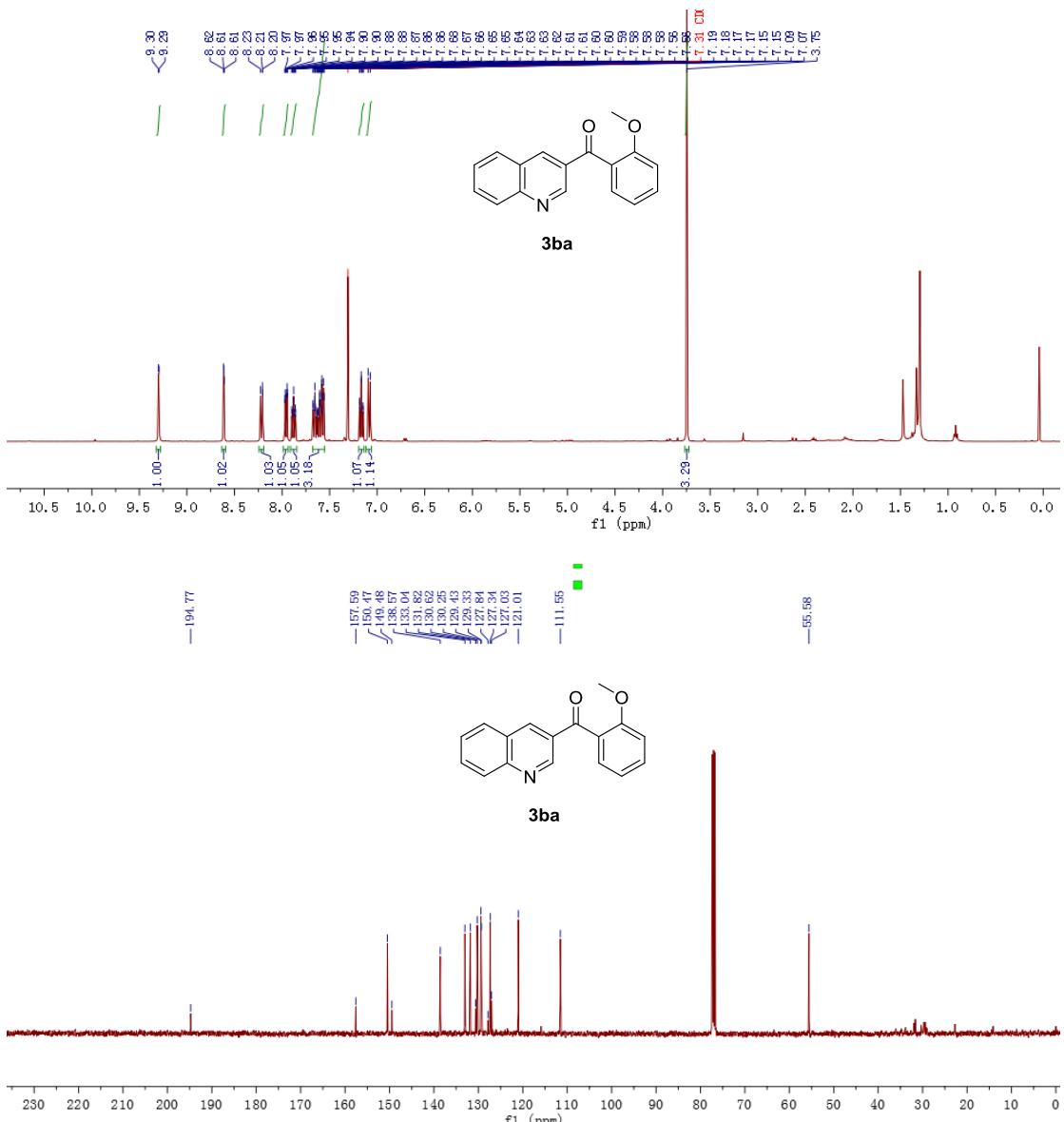
White solid. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 9.39 (s, 1H), 8.17 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.89 (s, 1H), 7.80 – 7.73 (m, 3H), 7.60 – 7.49 (m, 2H), 7.41 (td, $J = 7.8, 1.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.29 (dd, $J = 7.6, 1.7$ Hz, 1H), 4.11 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 153.36, 148.54, 147.94, 134.56, 134.28, 133.60, 133.10, 131.98, 130.51, 130.19, 129.94, 129.29, 128.39, 127.63, 127.14, 121.83, 63.14. HRMS (ESI): calcd.

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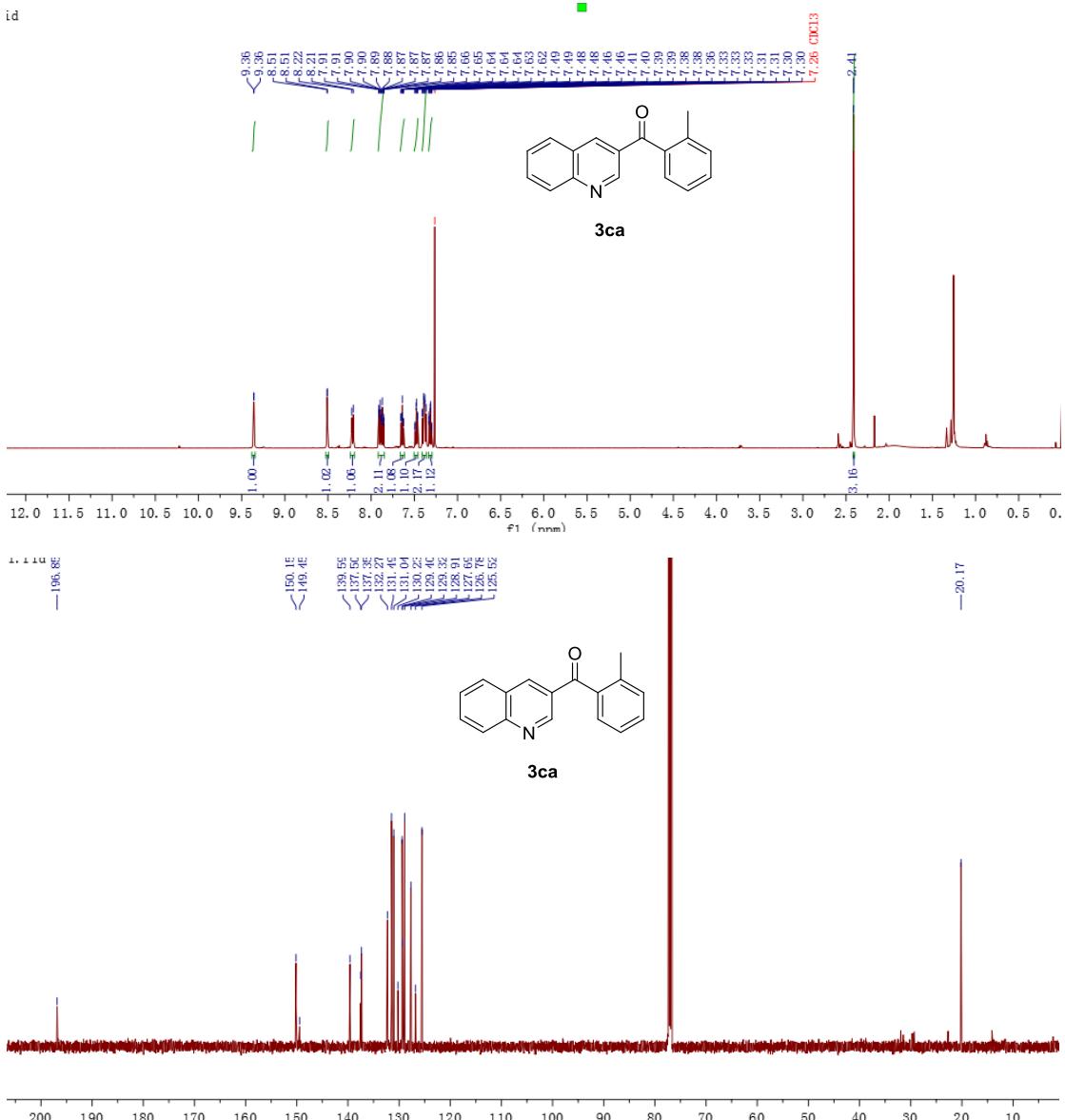


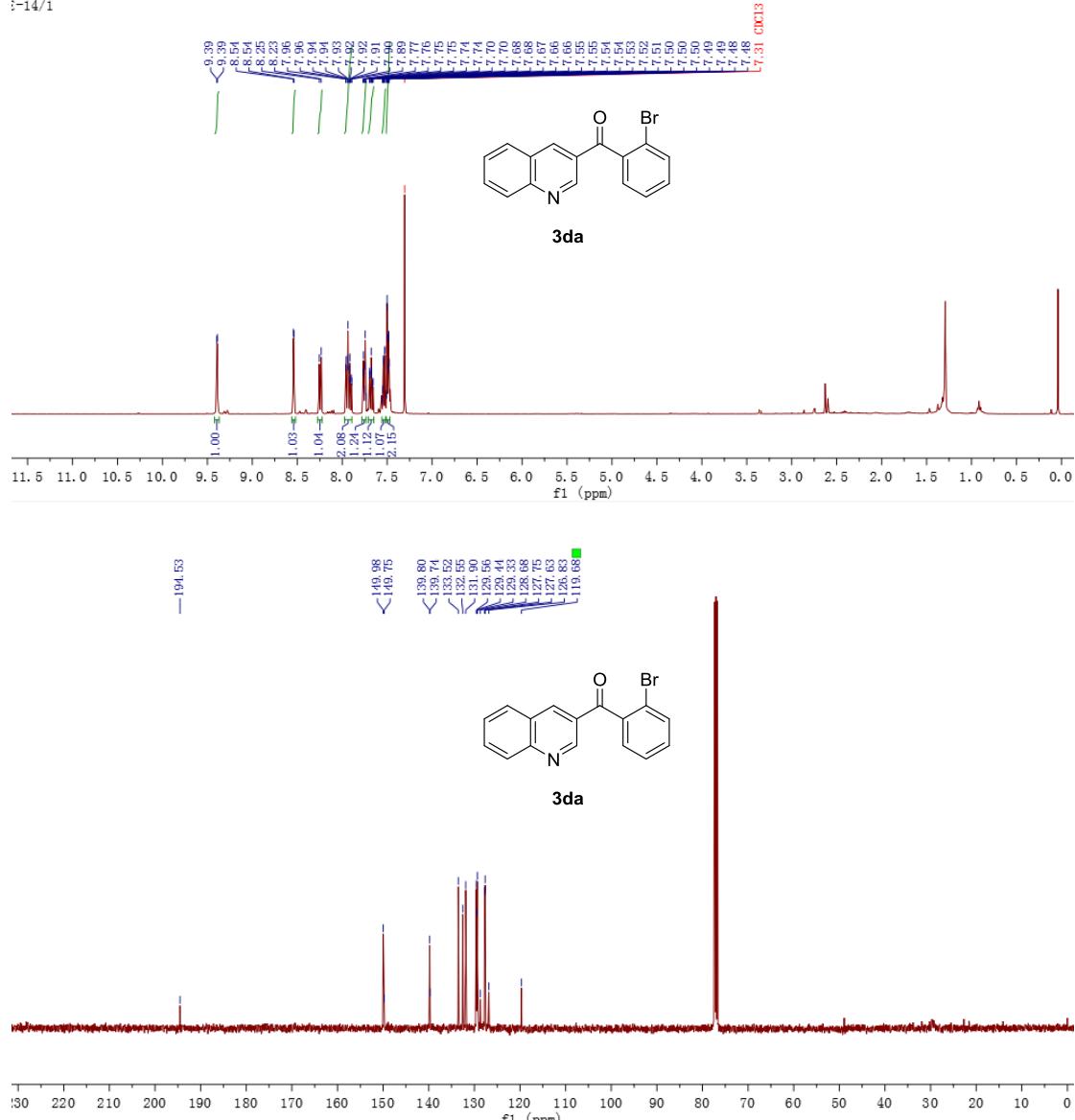
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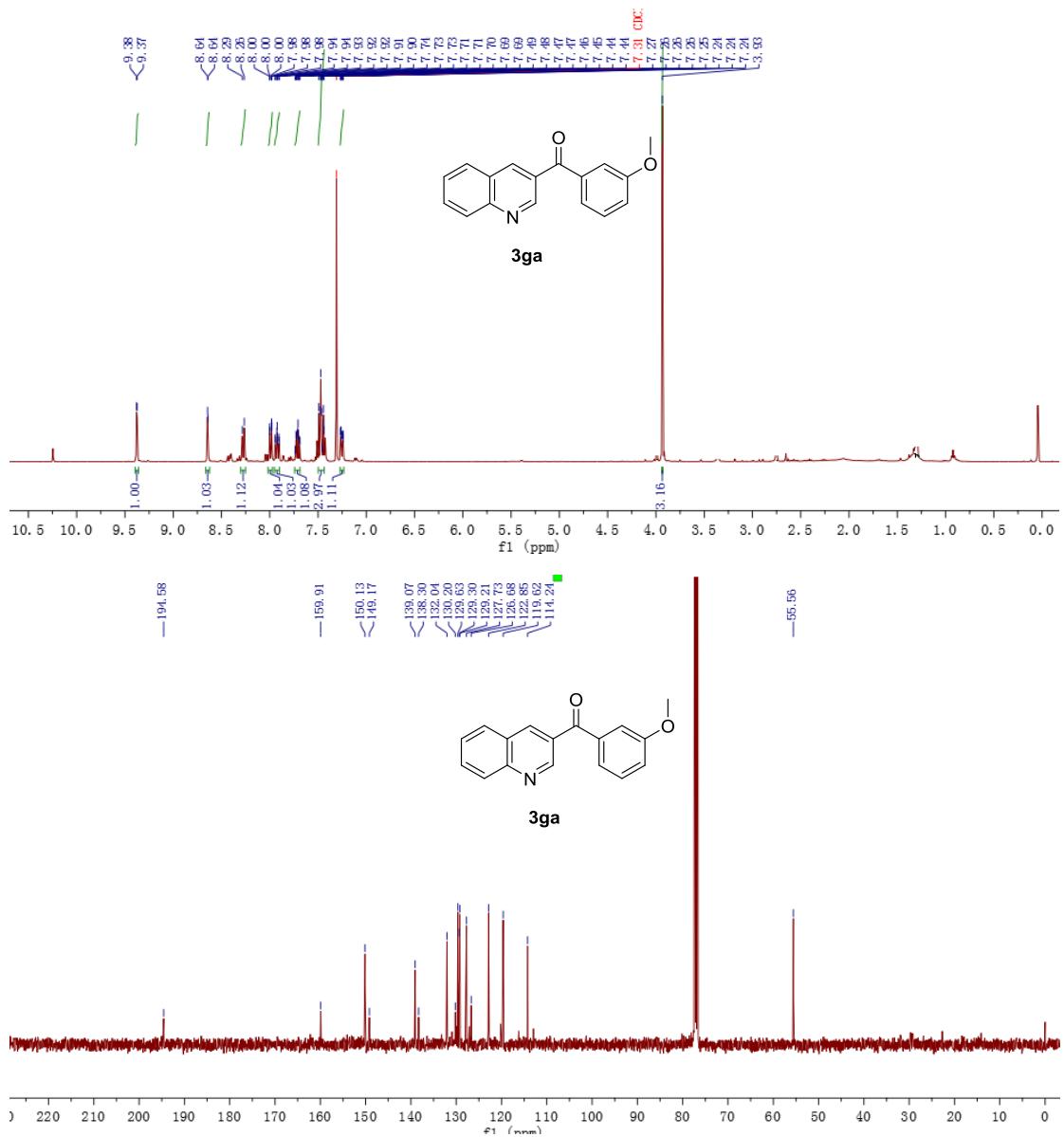




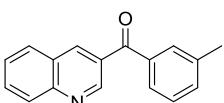
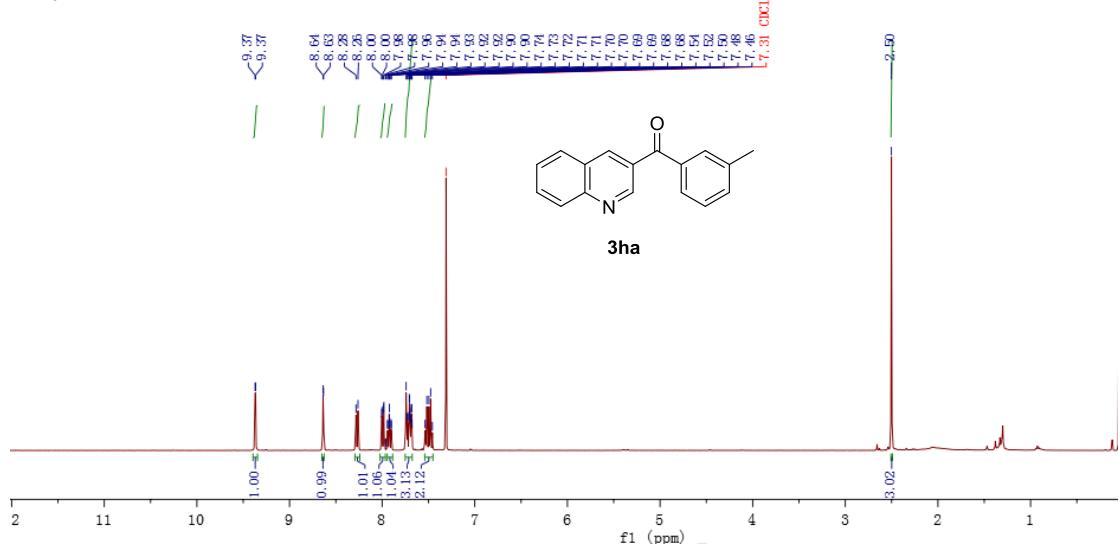
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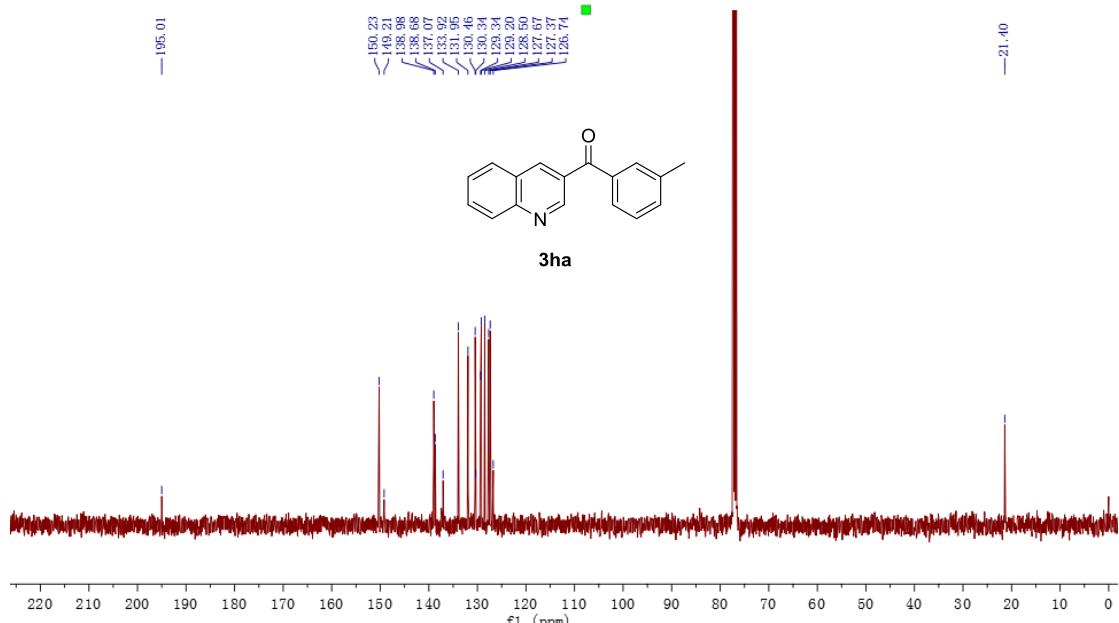


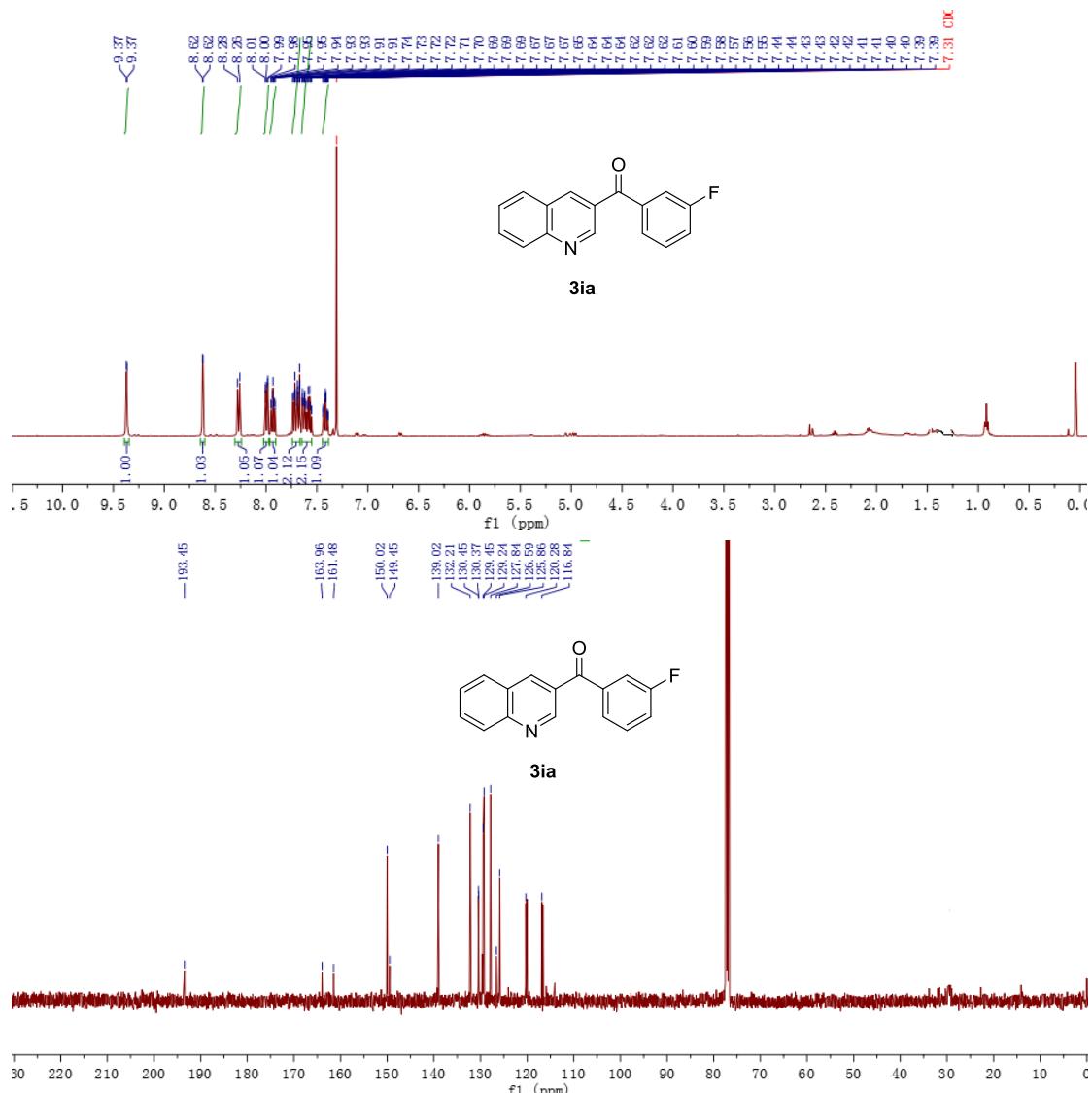


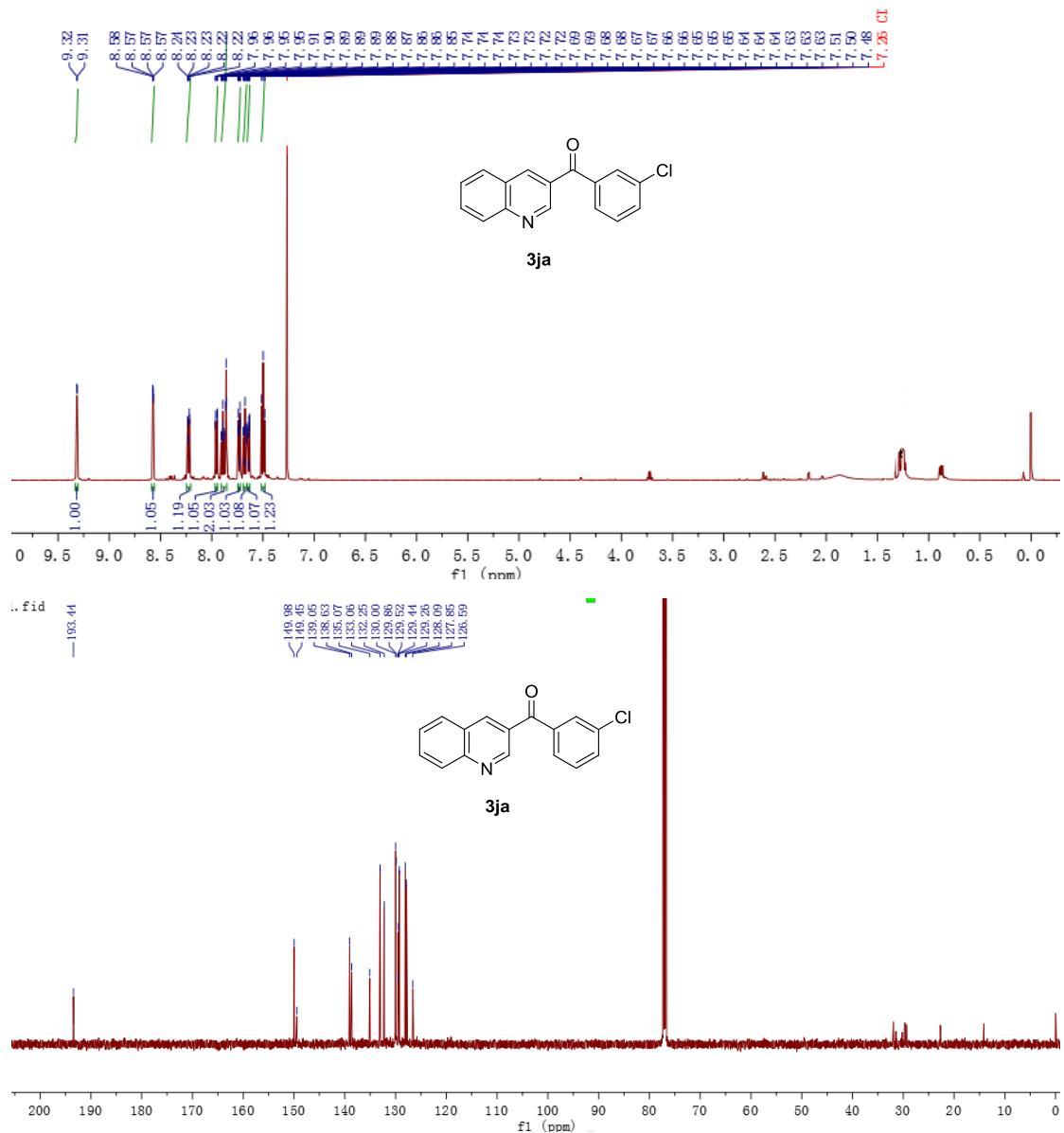
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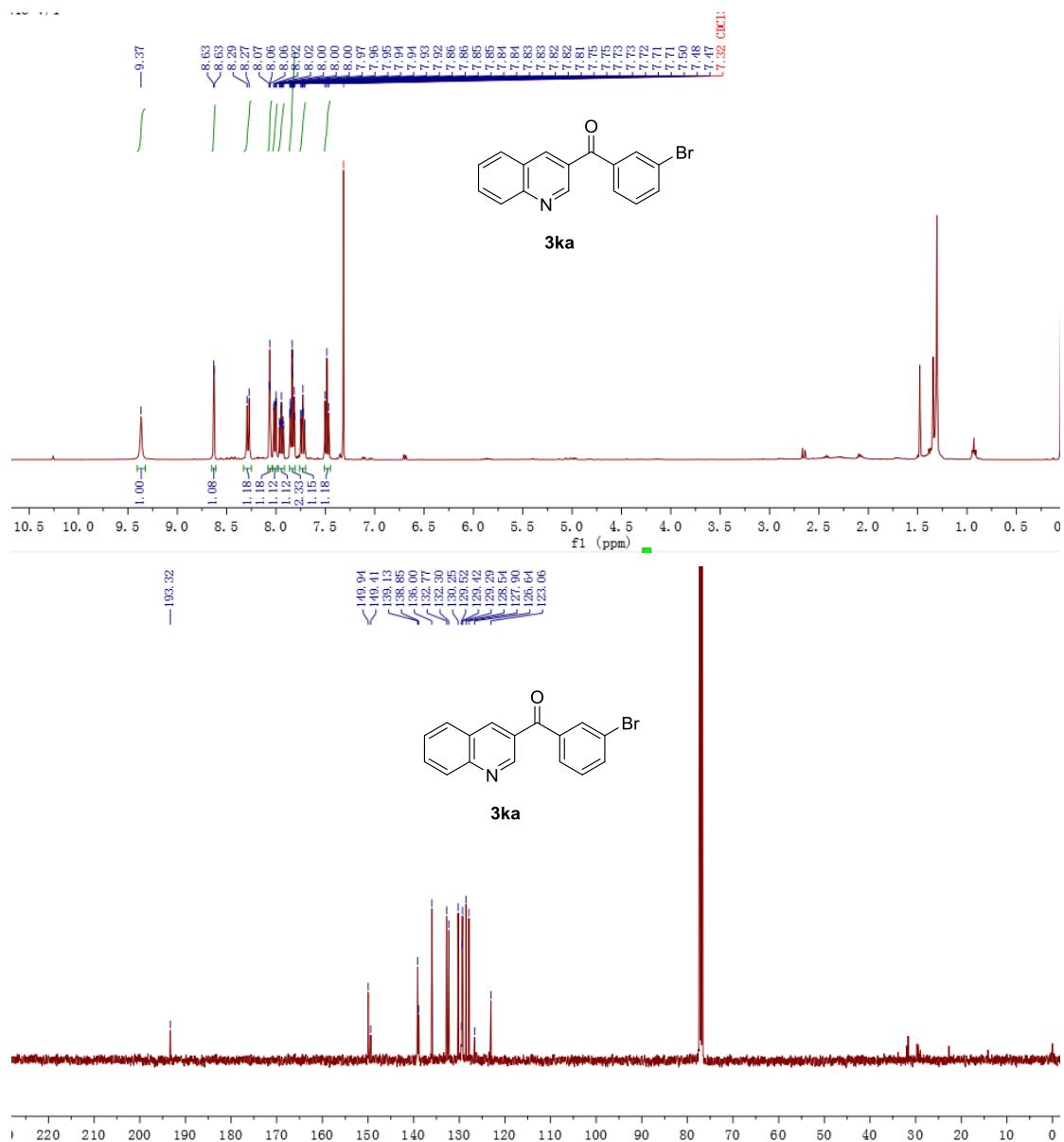


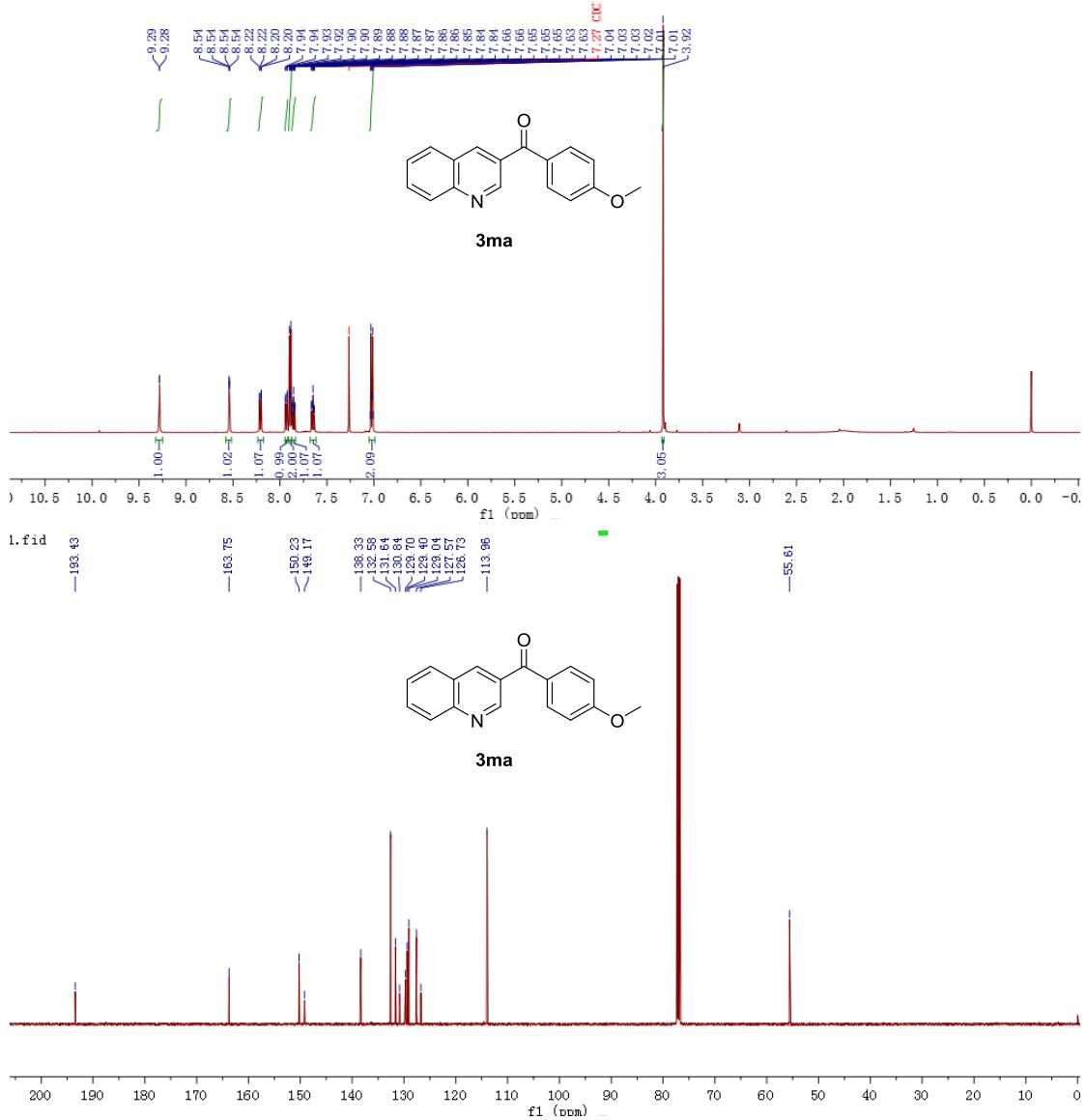
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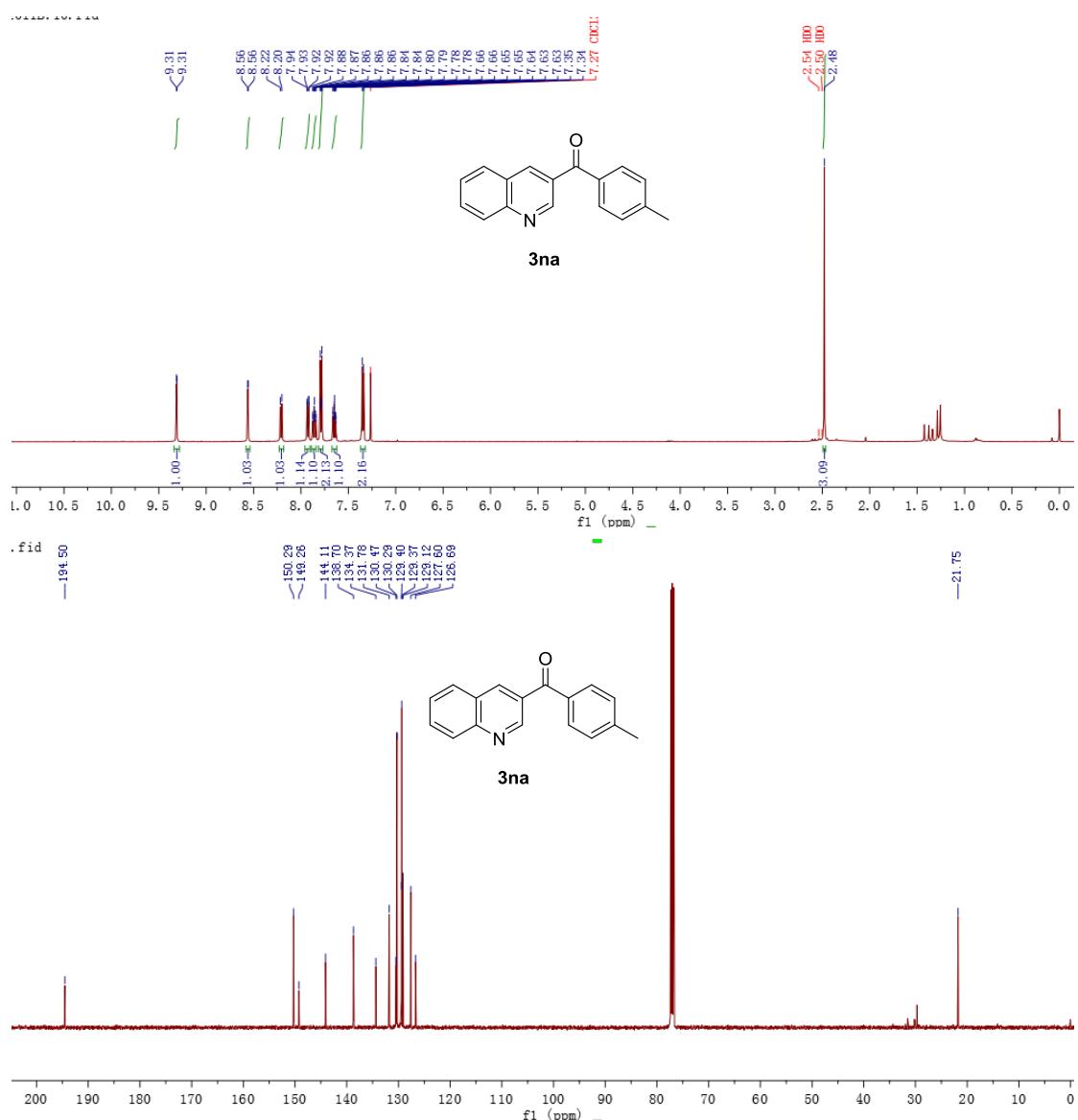


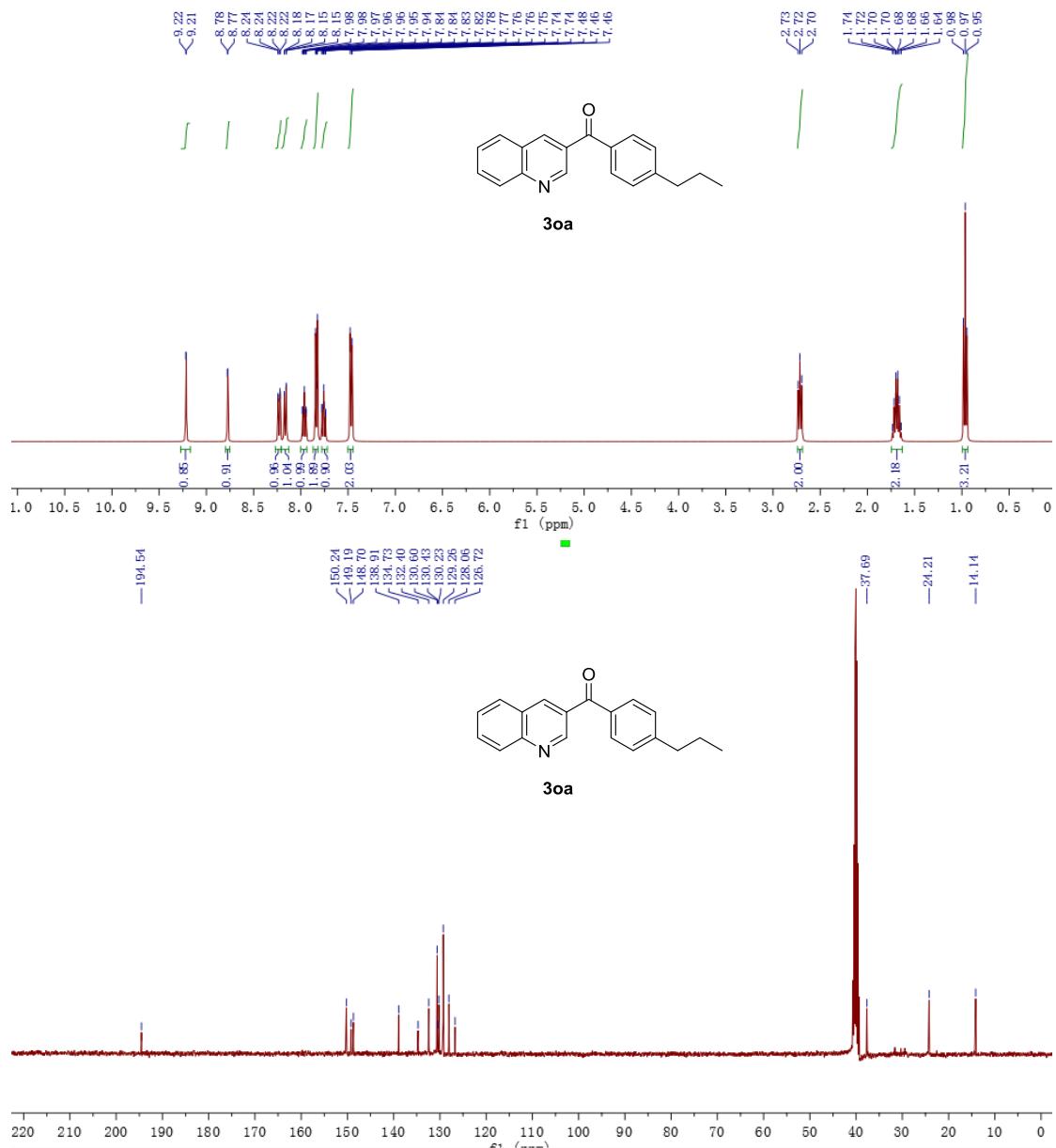




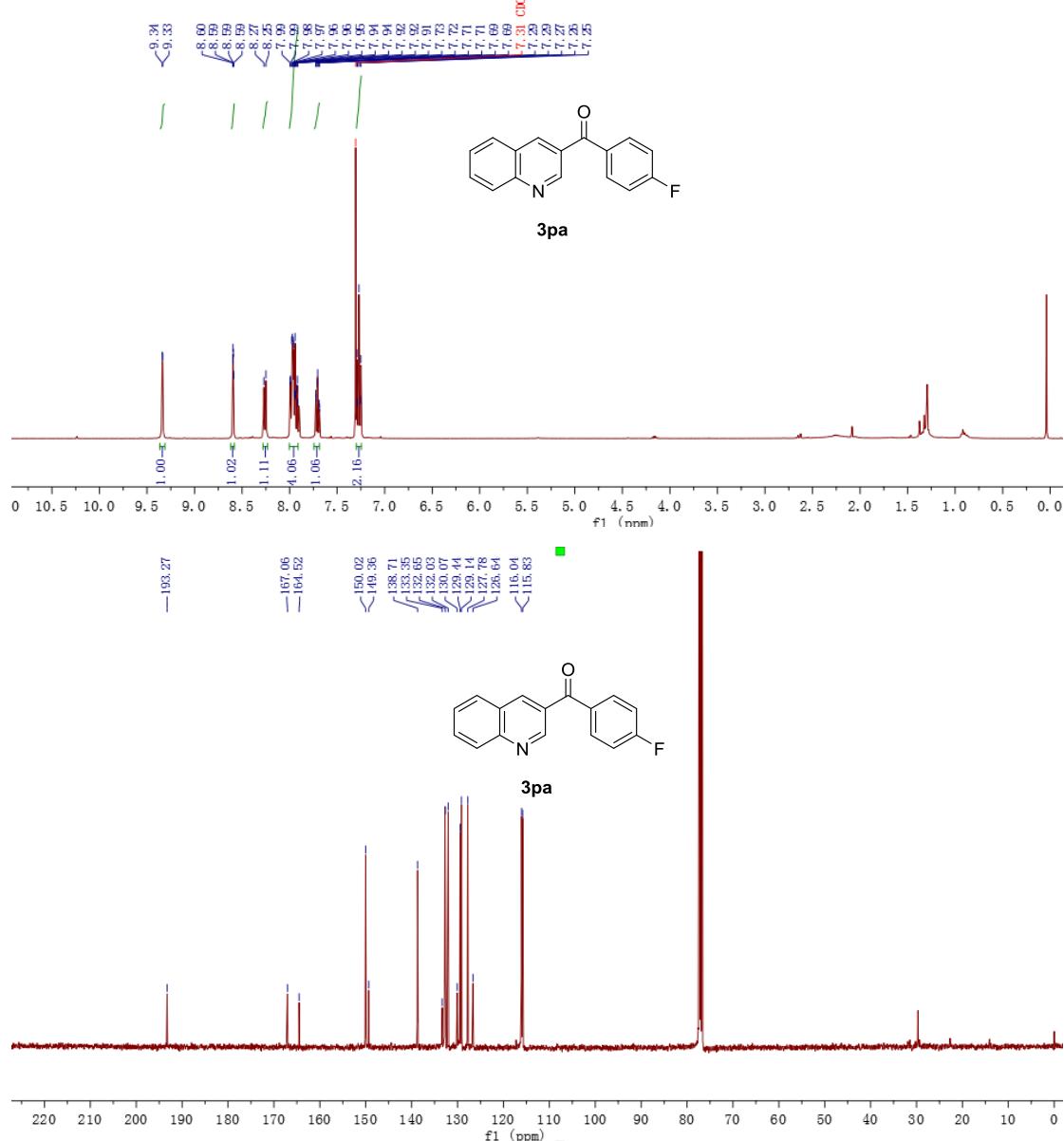


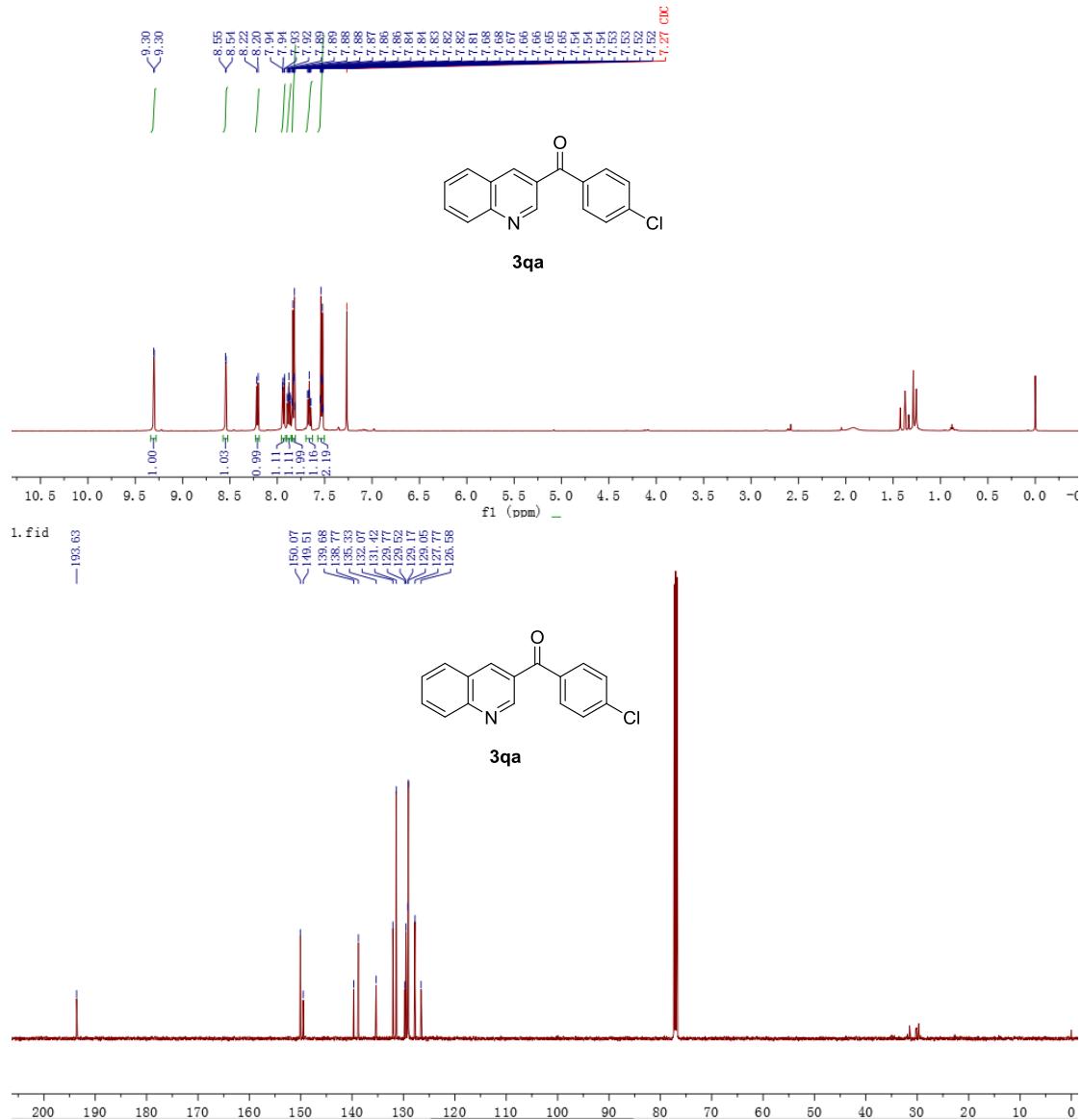


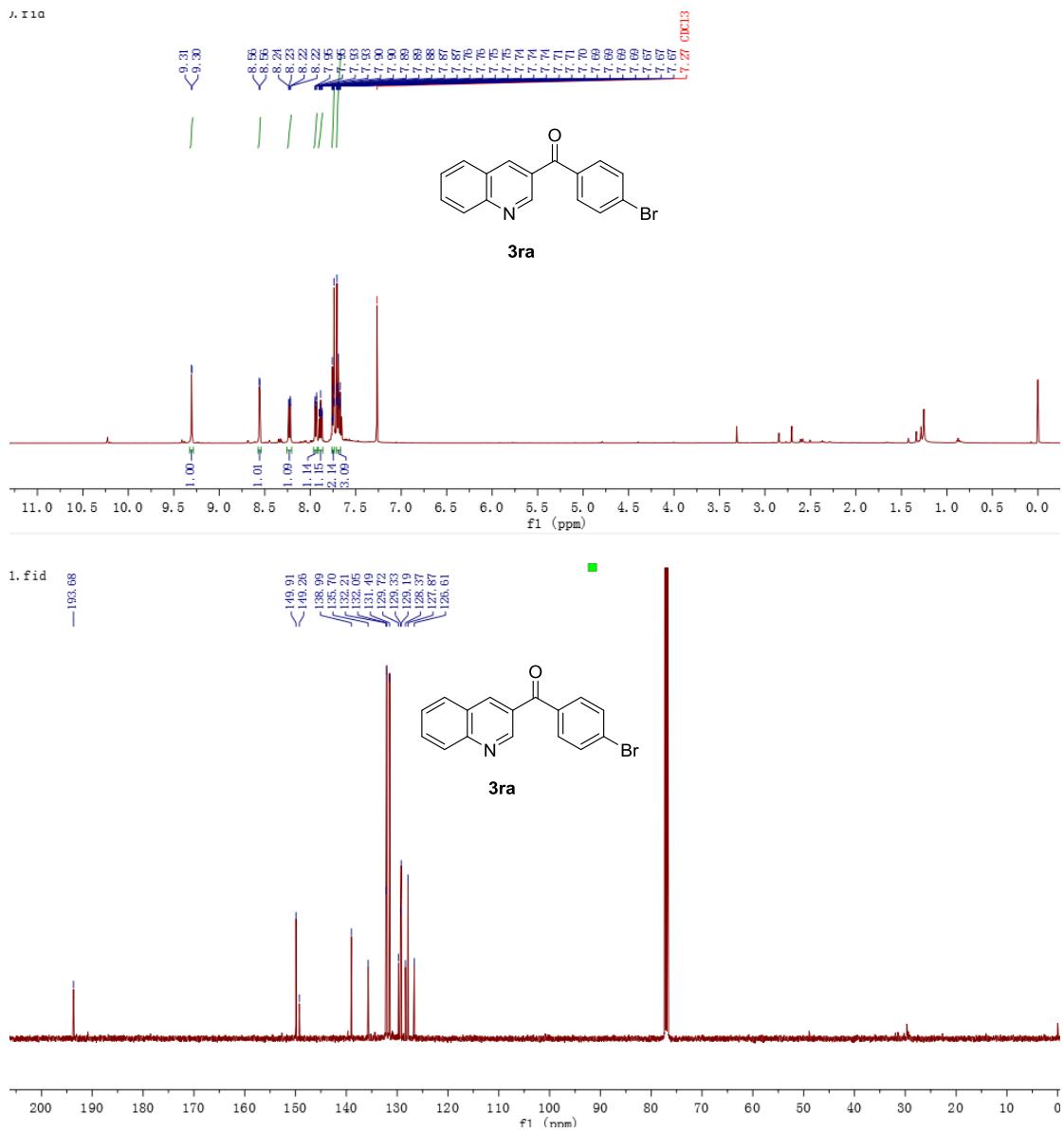


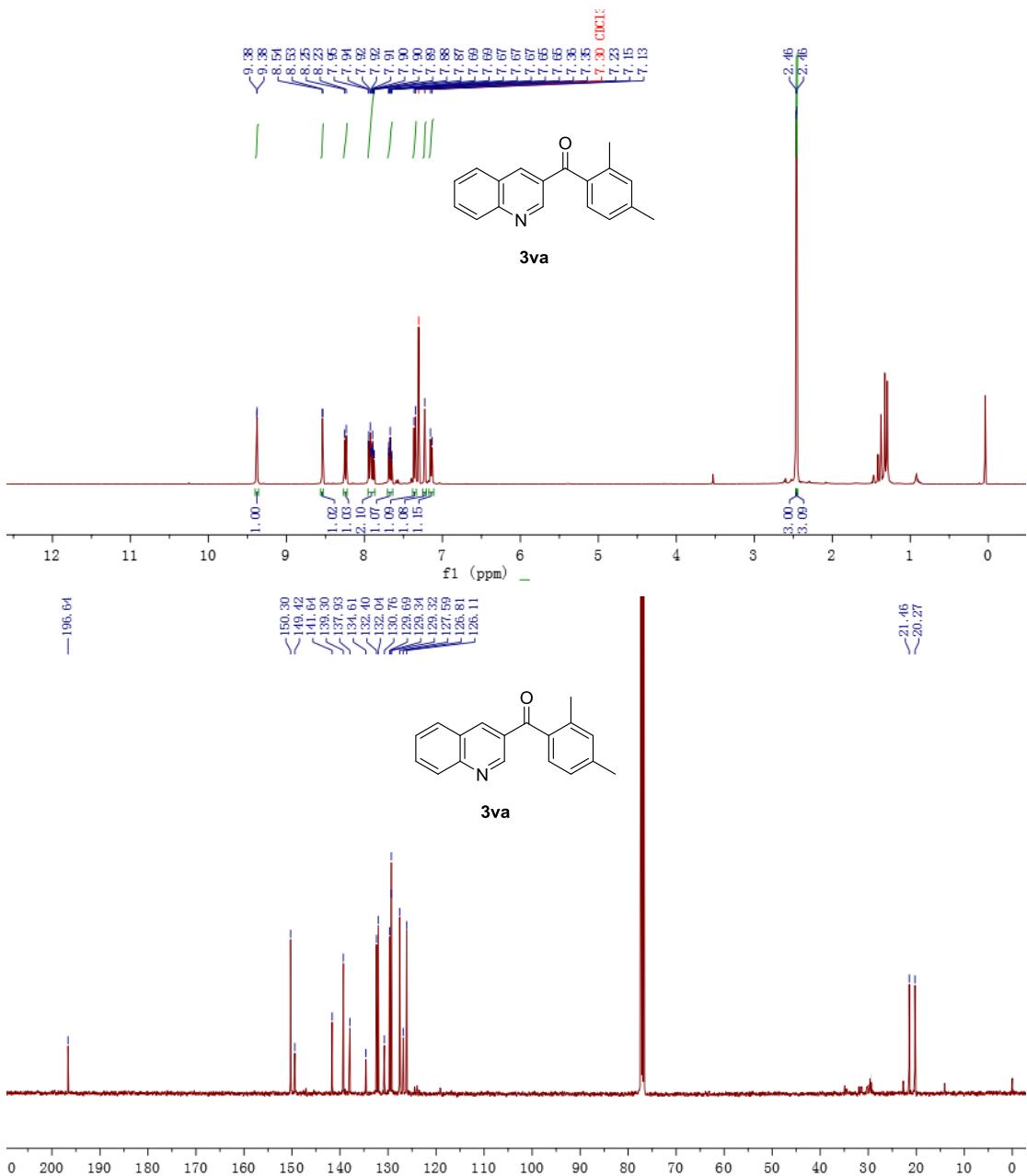


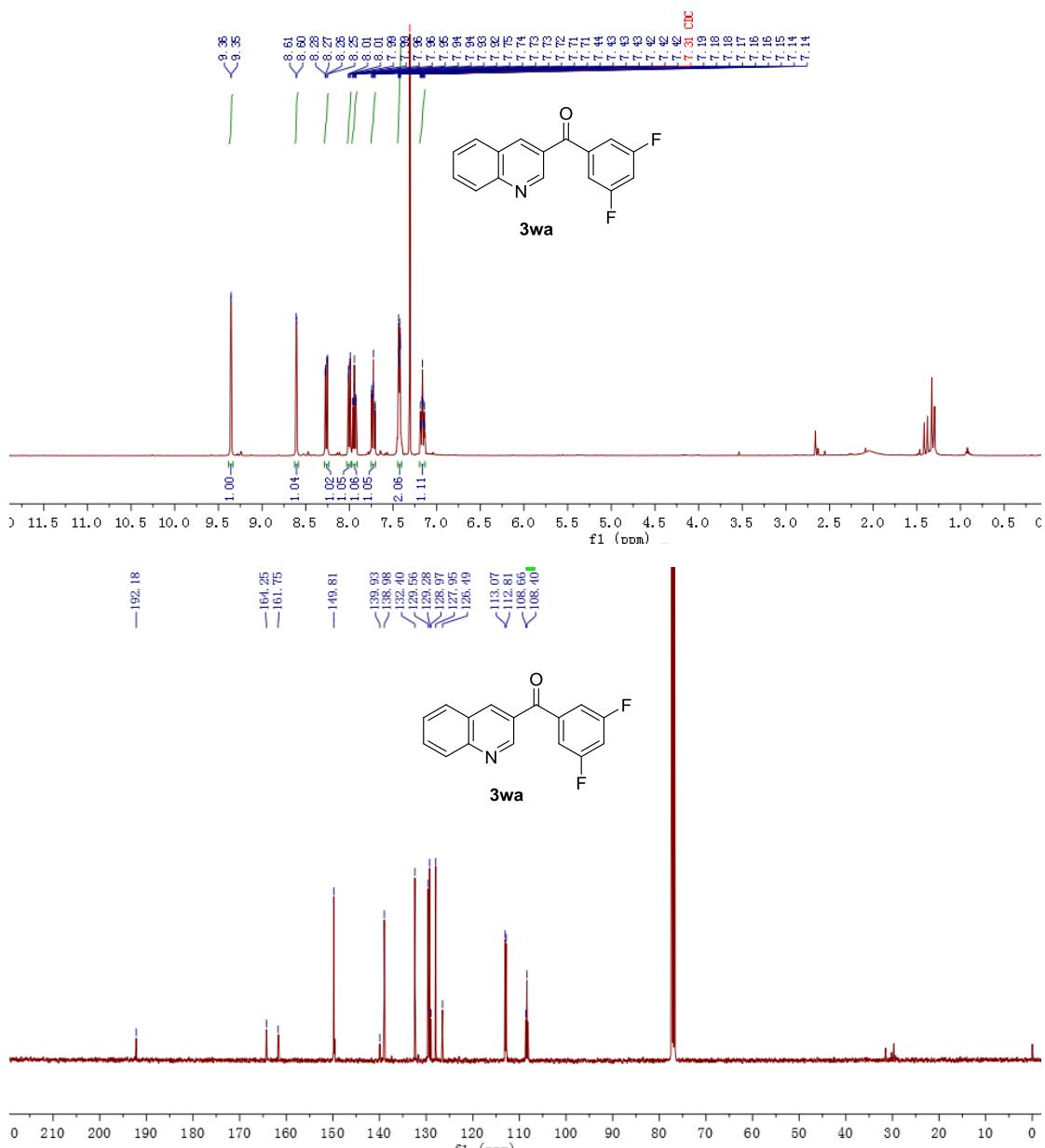
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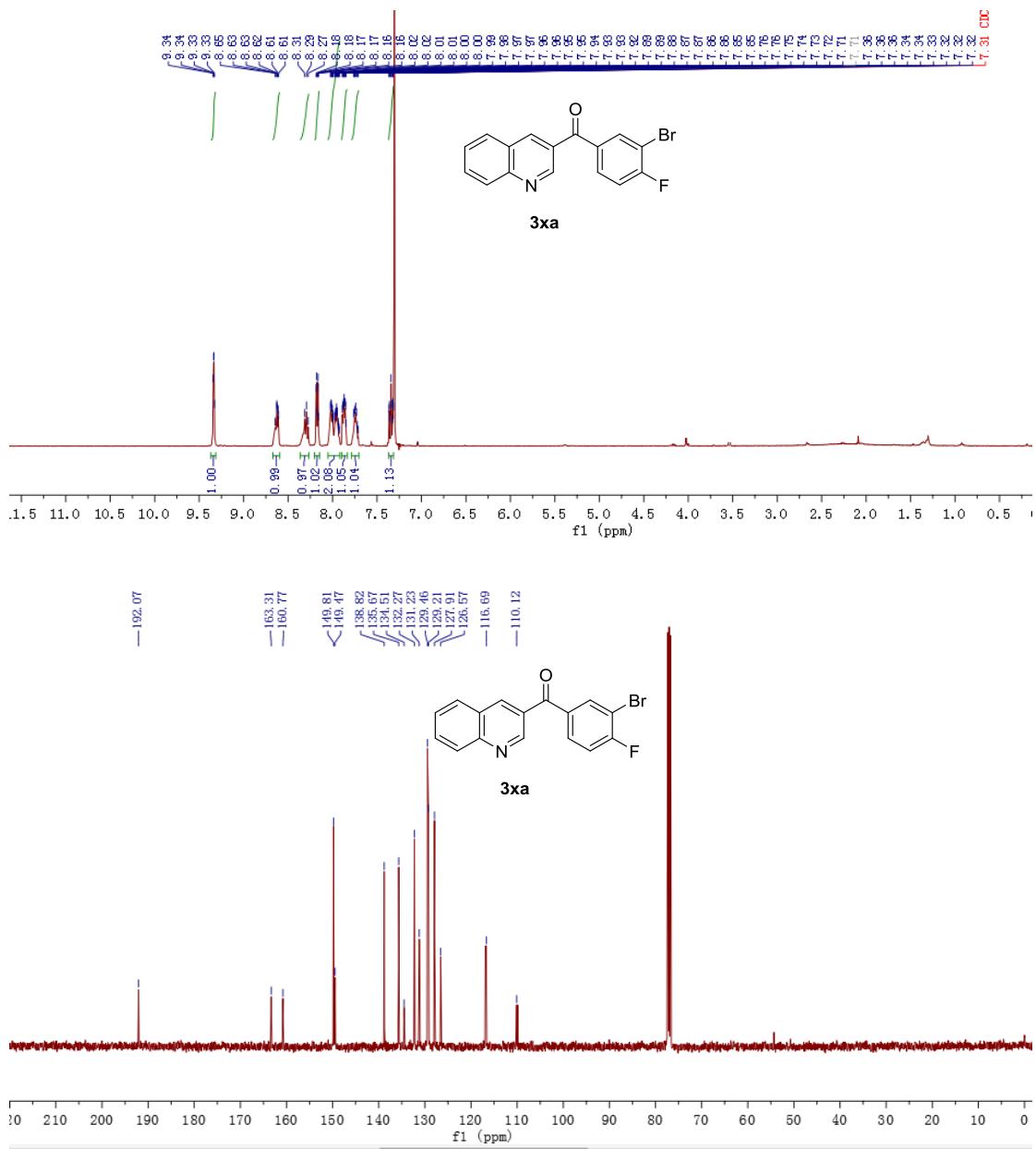


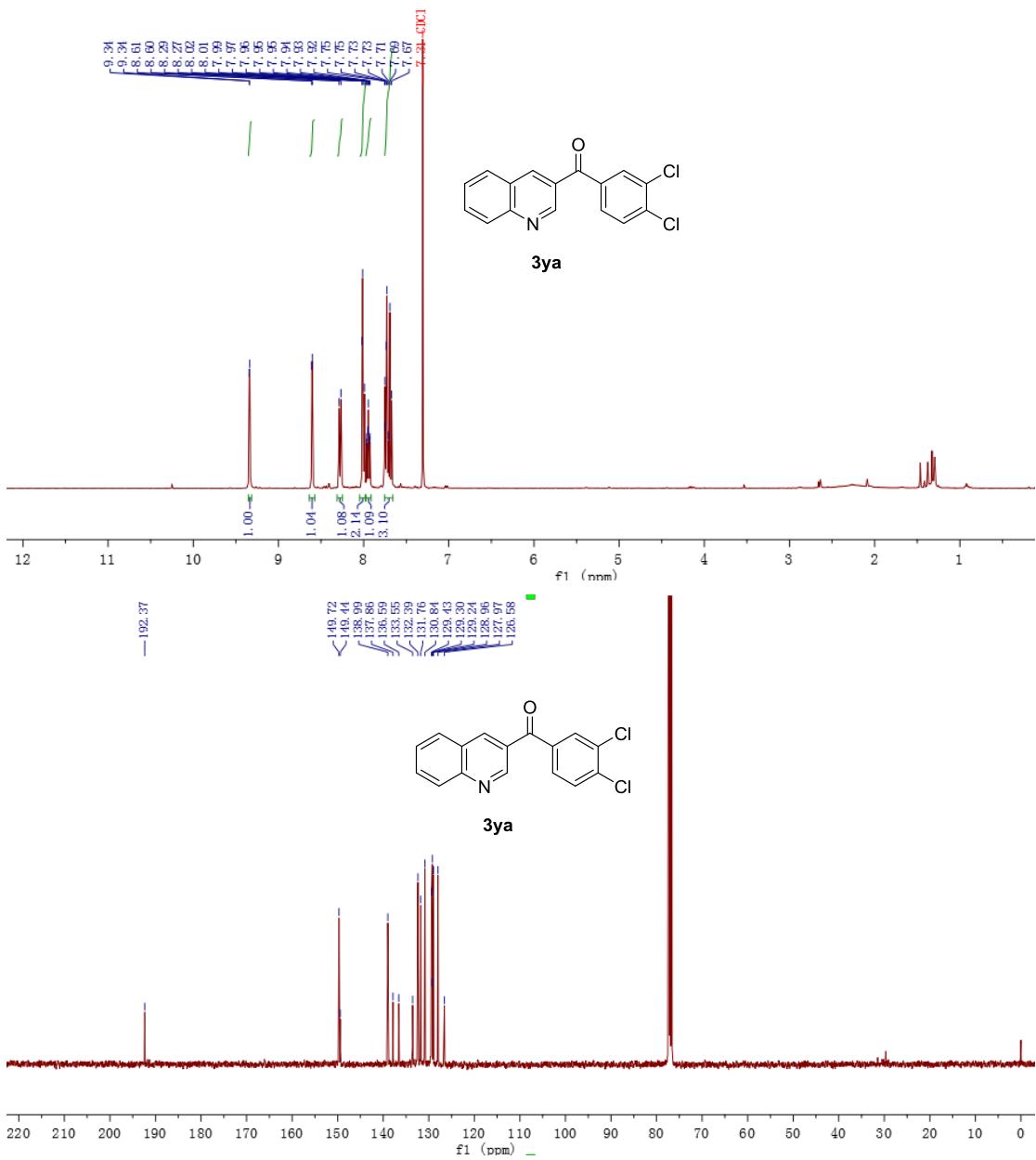


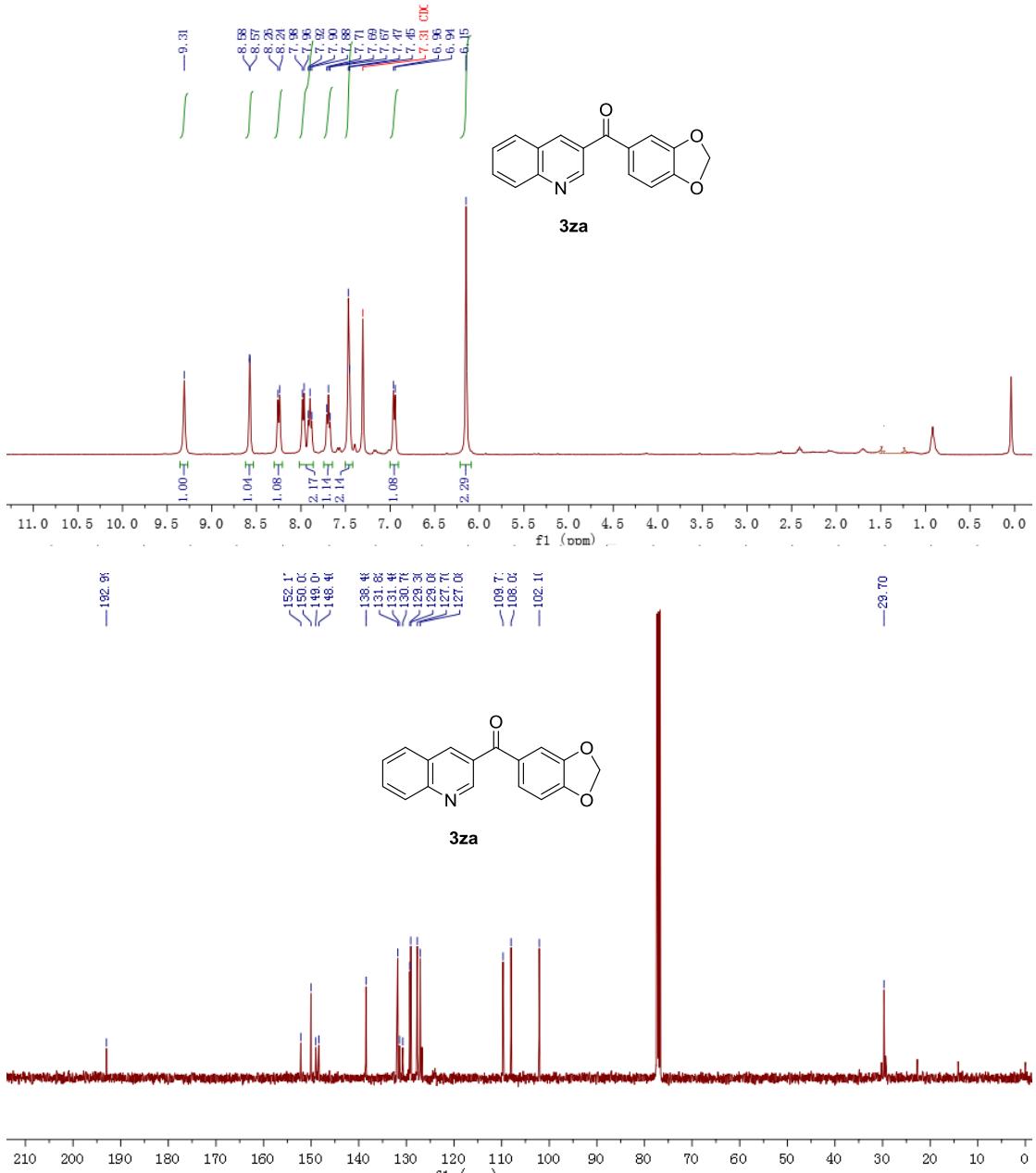


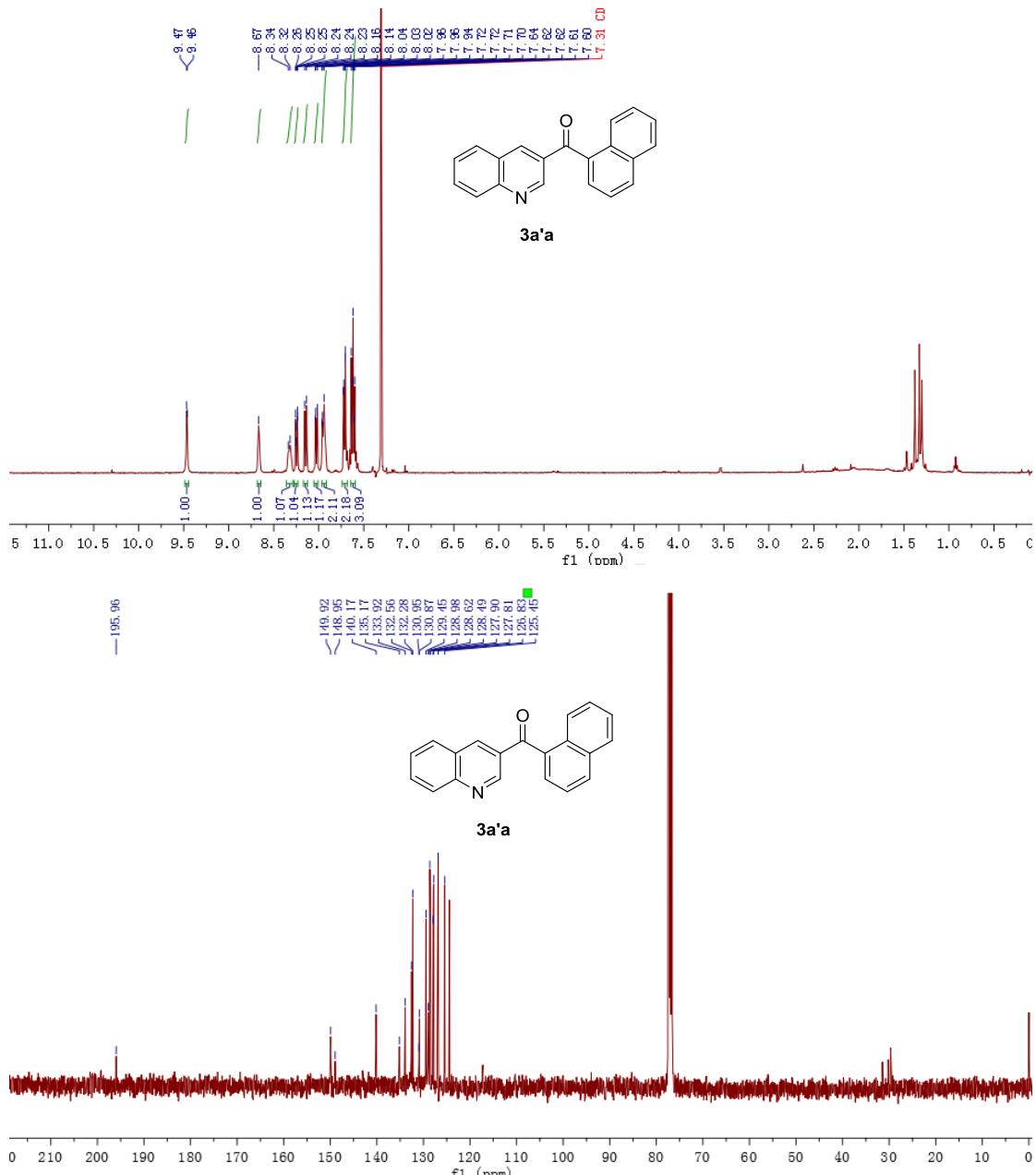


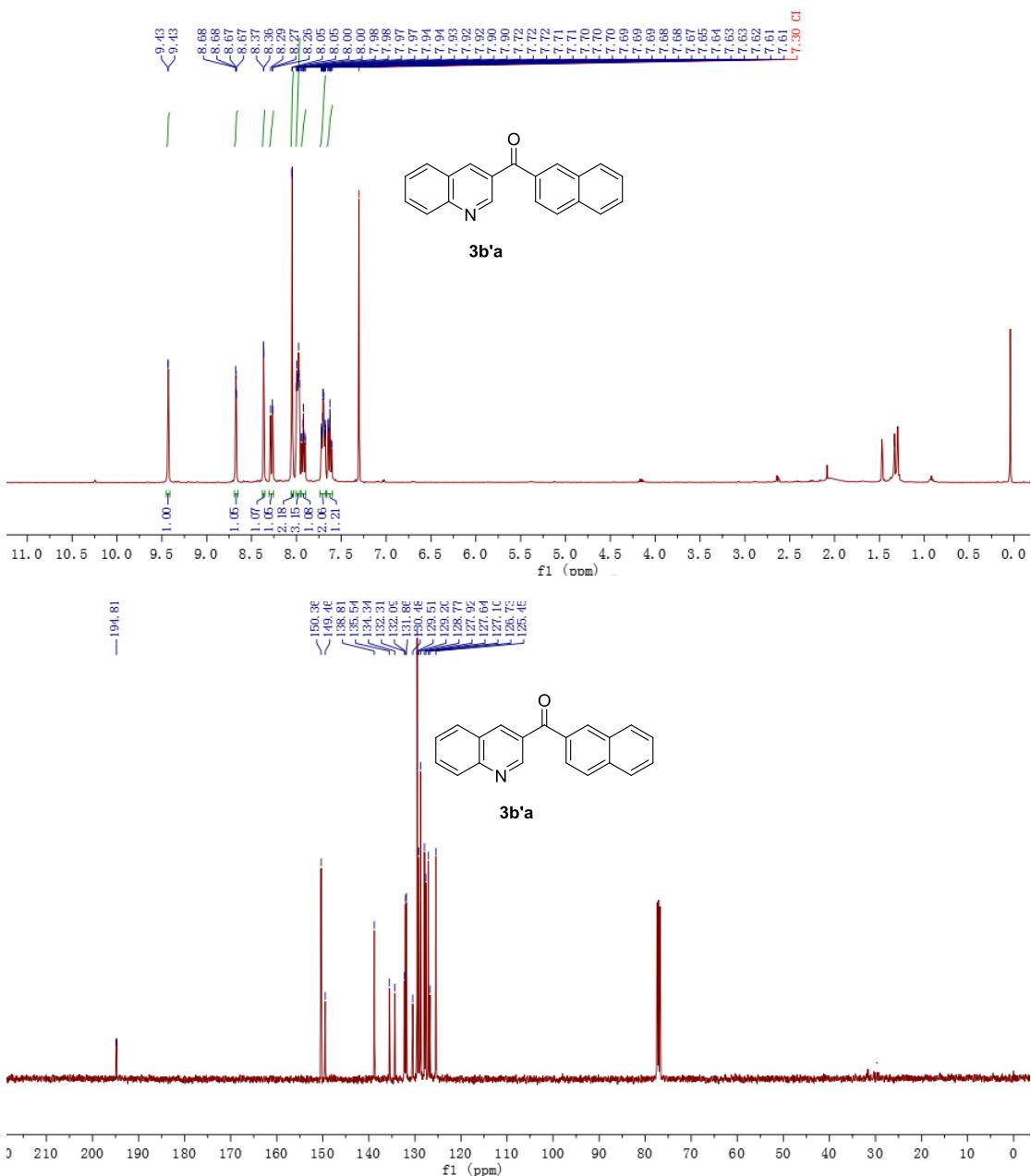


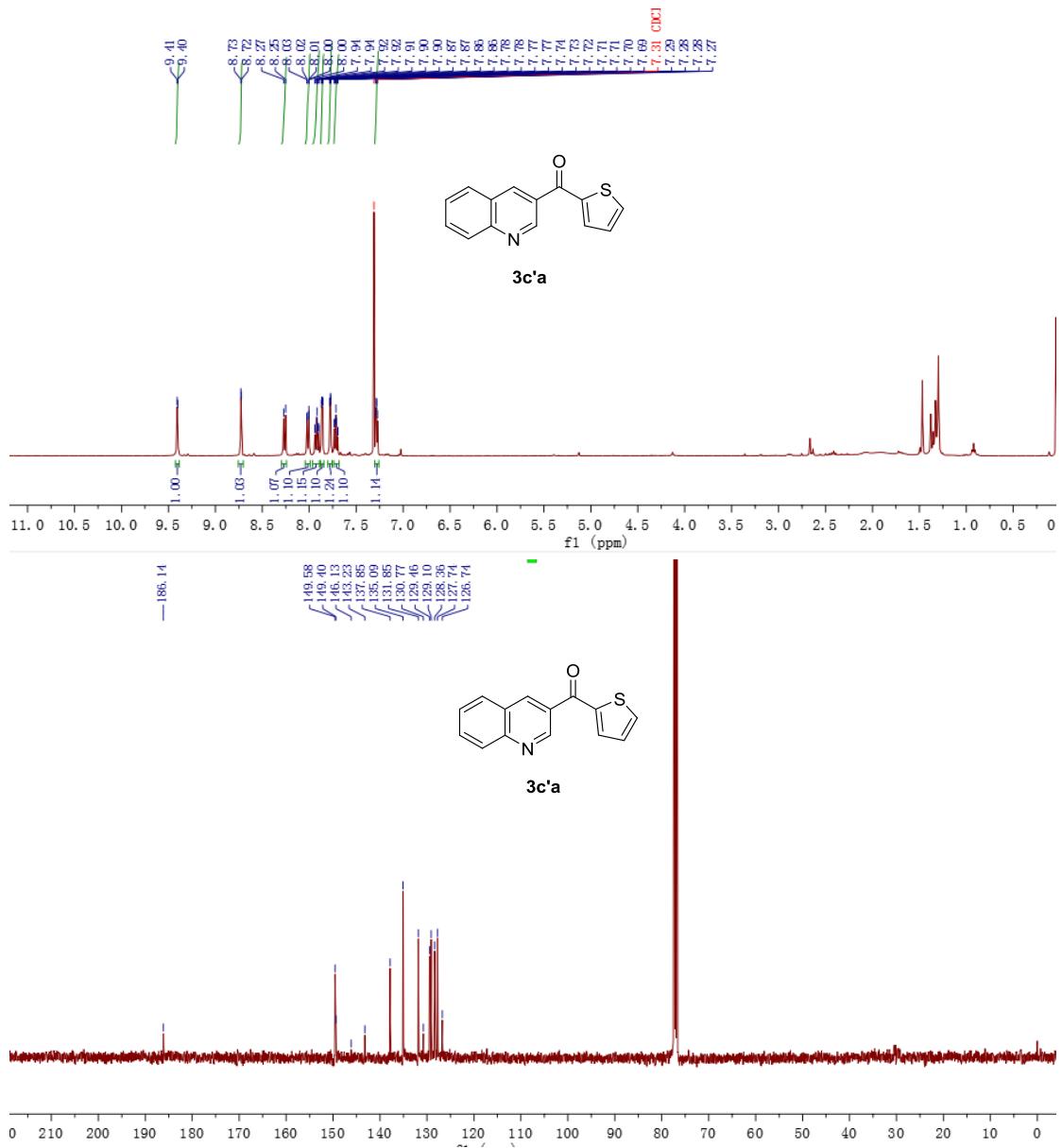


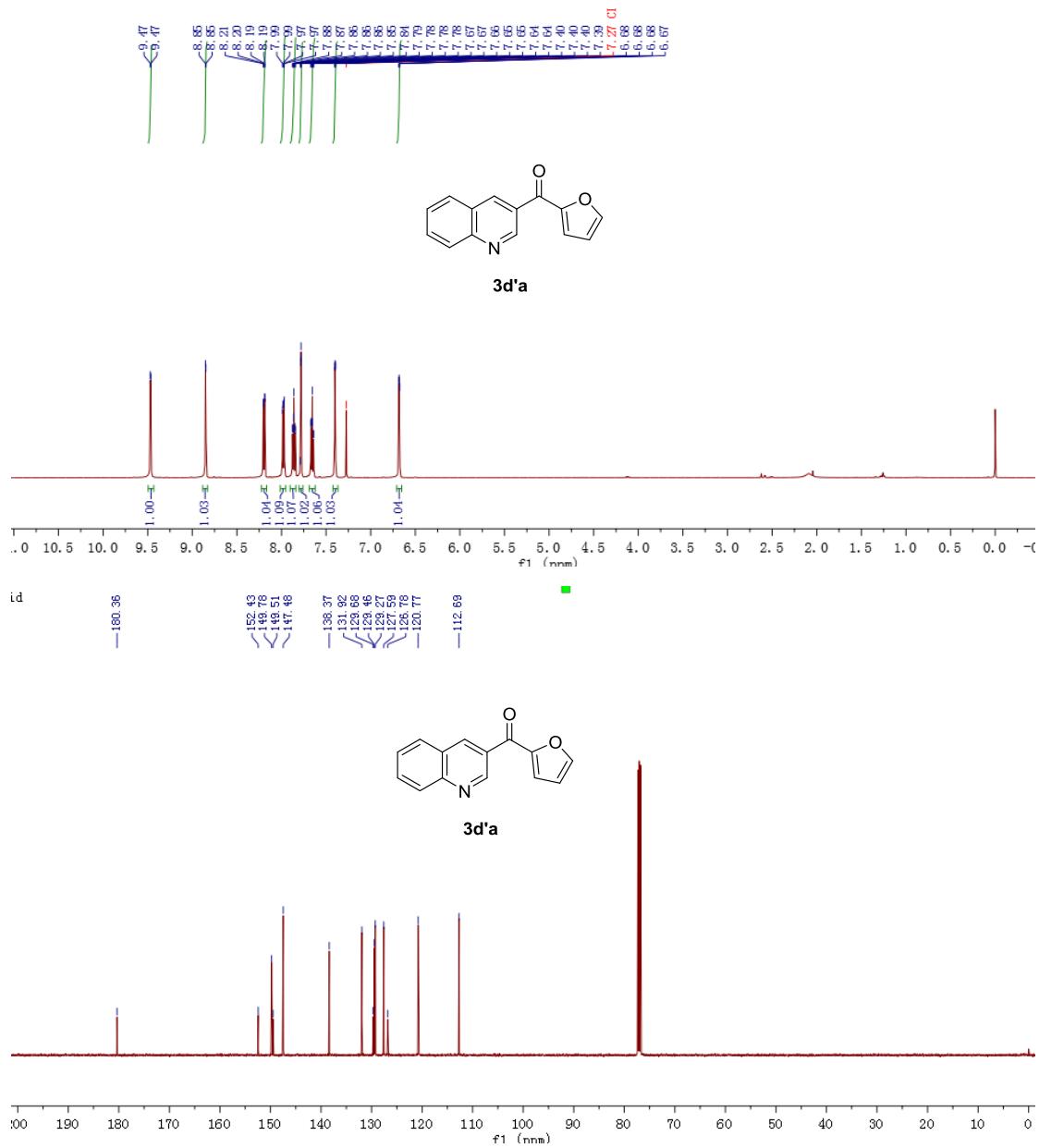


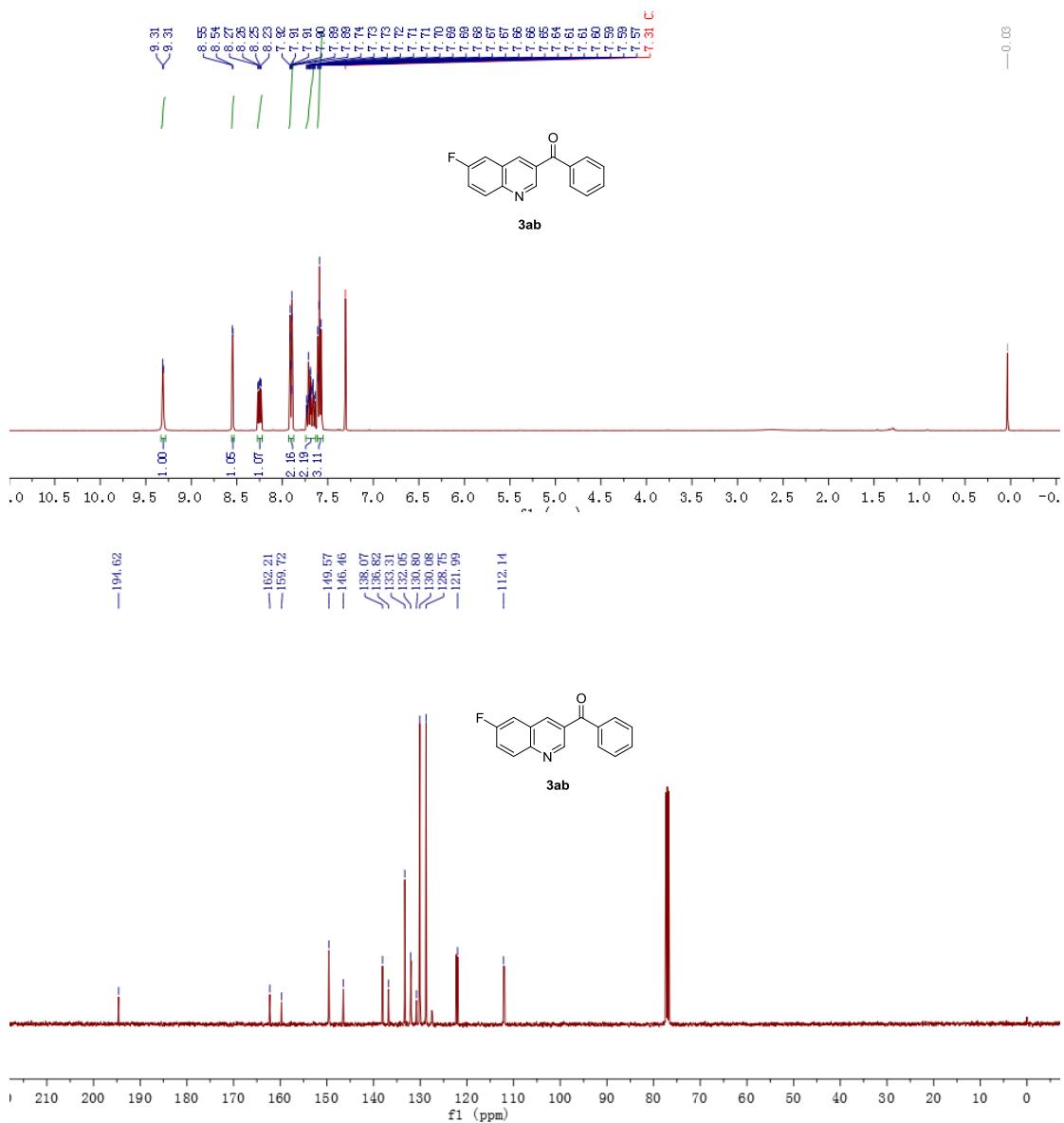


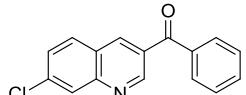
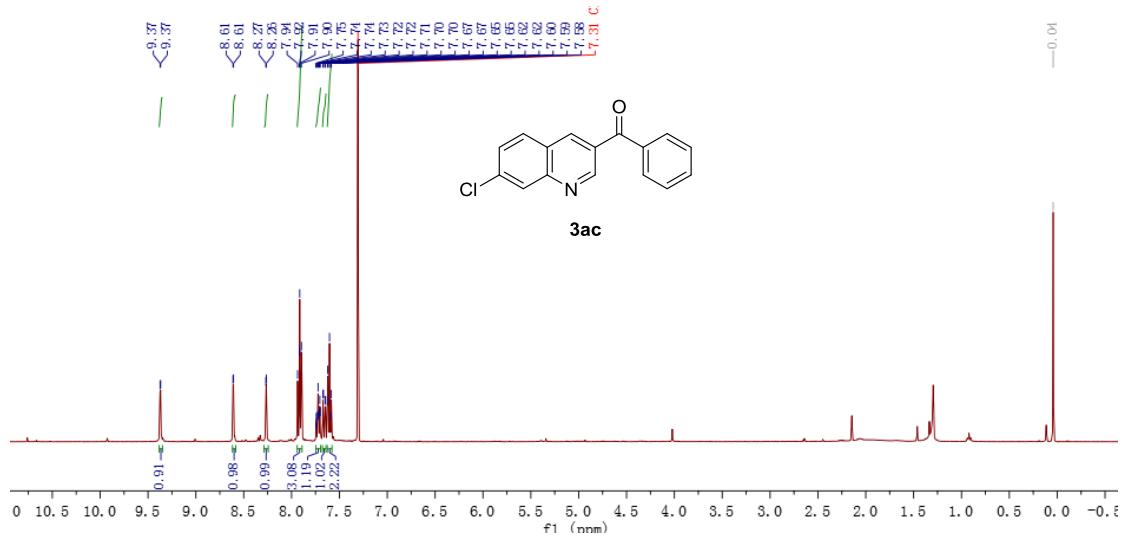




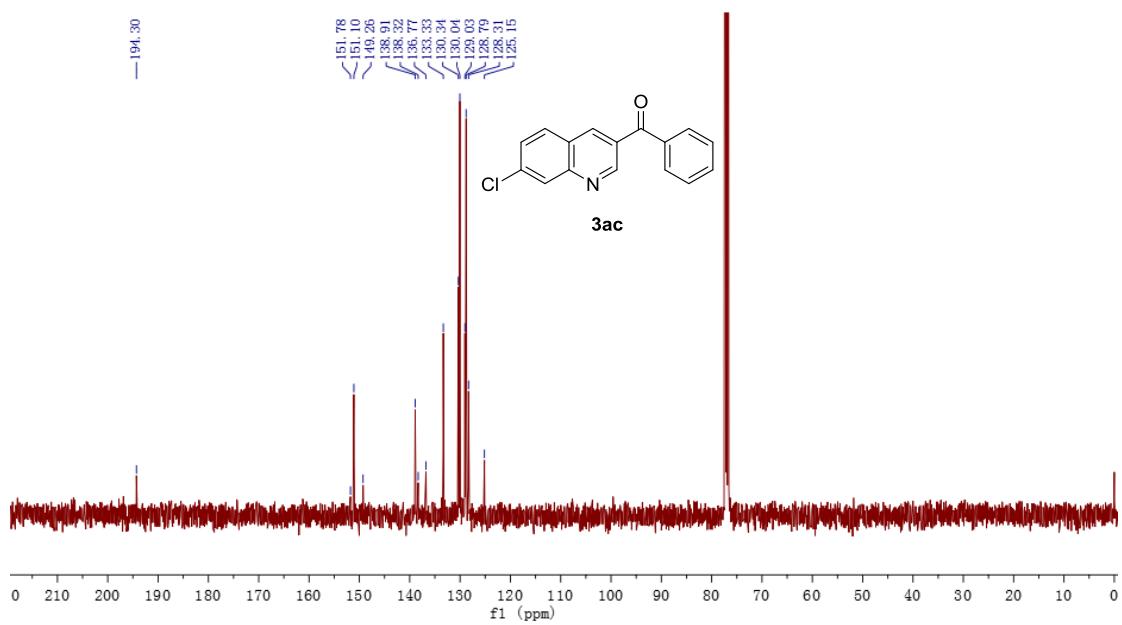


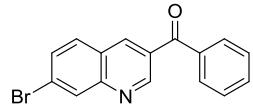
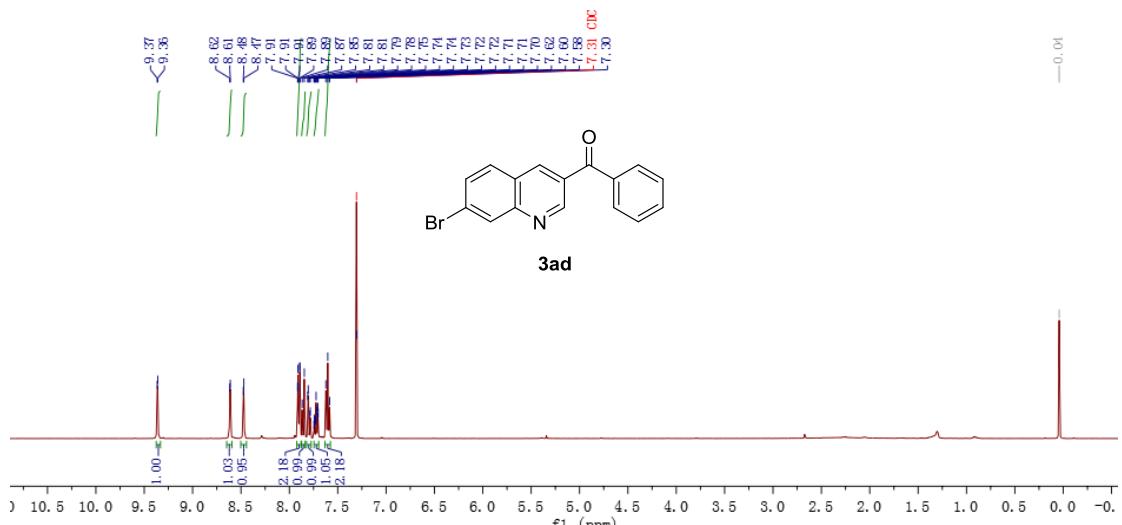




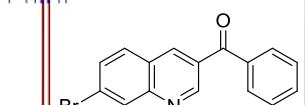
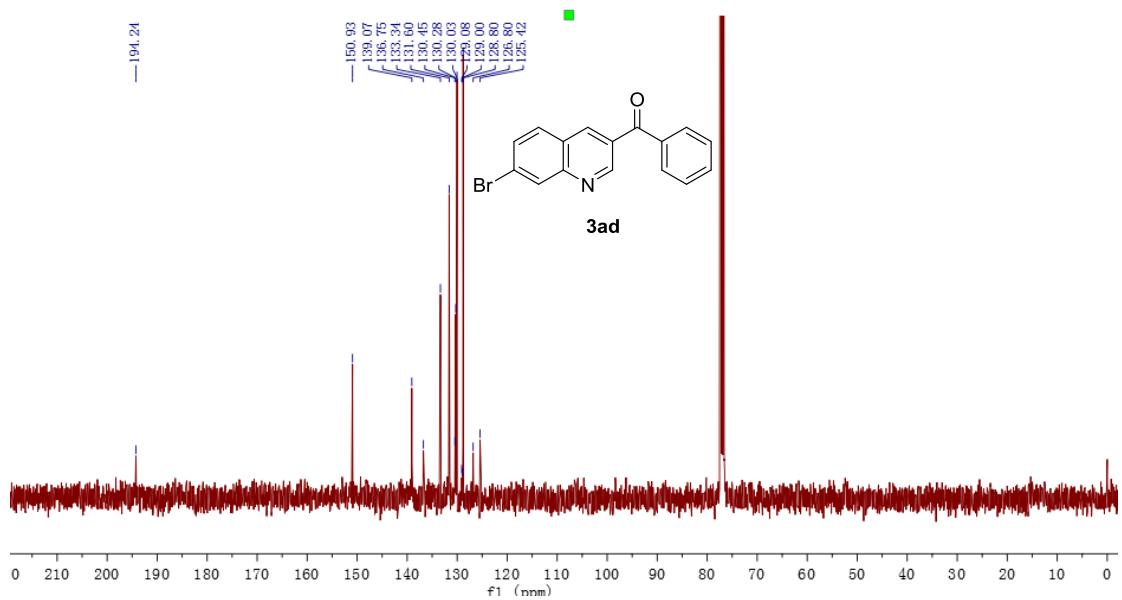


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