

Mild Lanthanide(III) Catalyzed Formation of 4,5-Diaminocyclopent-2-enones from 2-Furaldehyde and Secondary Amines: A Domino Condensation / Ring-opening / Electrocyclization Process

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Experimental Procedures

General Synthetic Methods

The following general experimental applies for all experiments described in this paper. Unless otherwise stated, all reactions were performed under nitrogen using flame-dried glassware. Reaction solvents were distilled under an inert atmosphere before use and transferred via syringe using standard techniques unless otherwise stated. CH₂Cl₂ and MeCN were distilled from CaH₂ under argon. All reagents, unless otherwise stated, were used as received (Aldrich, Fischer Scientific Ltd. or Lancaster).

IR spectra were obtained on a Perkin-Elmer Spectrum 1000, with samples loaded as films on NaCl plates. ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were obtained on Varian Mercury 300 or Unity 400 or 500 spectrometers as solutions in CDCl₃. Chemical shifts are expressed in ppm values. Spectra were referenced to 7.26 ppm for CDCl₃ for proton chemical shifts, and 77.00 ppm for CDCl₃ for carbon chemical shifts. Peak multiplicities are designated by the following abbreviations: s, singlet; d, doublet; t, triplet; q, quartet; m, multiplet; dd, doublet of doublets; dt, doublet of triplet; br, broad (this abbreviation is also used for designation of IR peaks); r, rotamer; J, coupling constant in Hz. Low resolution mass spectra (MS) were recorded on a Bell and Howell 21-490 spectrometer, high resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were recorded on an AEI MS3074 spectrometer. Melting points were obtained on a Fisher-Johns melting point apparatus and are uncorrected.

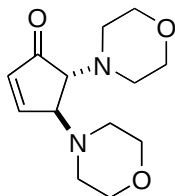
Flash column chromatography on silica gel (60Å, 230 - 400 mesh, obtained from Silicycle Inc.) was performed with distilled hexanes, or reagent grade solvents. Analytical thin-layer chromatography (TLC) was performed on pre-coated aluminum-backed silica gel plates

(Alugram SIL G/UV₂₅₄ purchased from Rose Scientific Limited or Silicycle Inc.), visualized with a UV lamp (254 nm), iodine, ninhydrin, potassium permanganate, phosphomolybdic acid (Aldrich), or vanillin. References following the compound names indicate literature articles where ¹H and ¹³C NMR data have previously been reported.

General Procedure for the Mild Lanthanide(III) Catalyzed Formation of *trans*-4,5-Diaminocyclopent-2-enones from 2-Furaldehyde and Secondary Amines

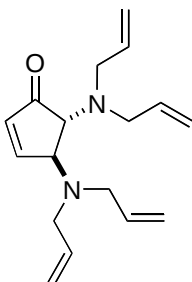
To a solution of 2-furaldehyde (0.500 mmol), secondary amine (1.00 mmol), and 4Å molecular sieves (0.10 g) in MeCN (6.0 mL) was added Dy(OTf)₃ (0.0500 mmol). The resulting reaction mixture was stirred for 16 hours at room temperature. H₂O (10 mL) was added and the mixture was filtered through Celite. The aqueous layer extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 x 10 mL). The combined organic extracts were dried over MgSO₄, filtered and concentrated *in vacuo* to obtain the crude product. The product was purified by silica gel column chromatography, eluting with CH₂Cl₂ and MeOH or hexanes and EtOAc.

***trans*-4,5-Dimorpholin-4-yl-cyclopent-2-enone (4a)**



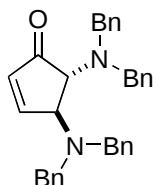
Isolated as a bright yellow crystalline solid (0.132 g, 99%): *R*_f = 0.52 (94:6 CH₂Cl₂:MeOH); mp = 91-94 °C; IR (thin film) ν 2955, 2851, 1705, 1590, 1451, 1292, 1256, 1114, 1070, 1005, 913, 864 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.59 (1H, dd, *J* = 6.0, 2.0 Hz), 6.22 (1H, dd, *J* = 6.0, 2.0 Hz), 3.79 (1H, ddd, *J* = 3.0, 2.0, 2.0 Hz), 3.71 (4H, t, *J* = 4.5 Hz), 3.67 (4H, t, *J* = 4.5 Hz), 3.28 (1H, d, *J* = 3.0 Hz), 2.84-2.79 (2H, m), 2.67-2.55 (6H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 206.3, 160.8, 135.6, 68.3, 67.5, 67.3, 66.9, 50.3, 50.1; MS (EI) *m/e* (rel intensity) 252 (100), 167 (34), 166 (70), 140 (72), 124 (41), 112 (39), 100 (29), 86 (49), 81 (23); HRMS (EI) calcd for C₁₃H₂₀N₂O₃ (*M*⁺) 252.1474, found 252.1475.

***trans*-4,5-Bis-diallylaminocyclopent-2-enone (4b)**



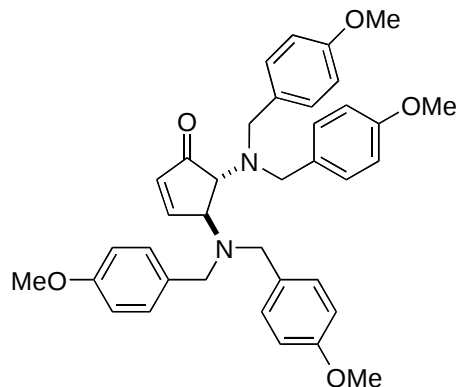
Isolated as a viscous, bright yellow oil (0.0721 g, 78%): $R_f = 0.69$ (93:5:2 hexanes:EtOAc:Et₃N); IR (thin film) ν 3076, 3008, 2977, 2908, 2824, 1710, 1638, 1417, 1352, 1150, 1109, 918 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.46 (1H, dd, $J = 6.0, 2.0$ Hz), 6.16 (1H, dd, $J = 6.0, 2.0$ Hz), 5.91-5.77 (4H, m), 5.26-5.10 (8H, m), 4.11 (1H, ddd, $J = 3.0, 2.0, 2.0$ Hz), 3.59 (1H, d, $J = 3.0$ Hz), 3.38-3.31 (2H, m), 3.23-3.10 (6H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 207.9, 162.6, 136.7, 136.3, 135.0, 117.6 (2 peaks), 65.2, 63.7, 54.6, 53.8; MS (EI) m/e (rel intensity) 272 (92), 231 (99), 176 (79), 149 (32), 136 (80), 134 (72), 122 (100), 110 (48), 96 (52), 68 (89); HRMS (EI) calcd for C₁₇H₂₄N₂O (M⁺) 272.1889, found 272.1880.

***trans*-4,5-Bis-dibenzylaminocyclopent-2-enone (4c)**



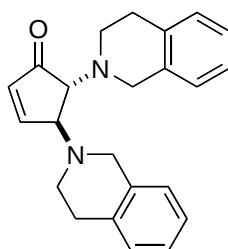
Isolated as a bright yellow, crystalline solid (0.134 g, 98%): $R_f = 0.36$ (90:10 hexanes:EtOAc); mp = 107-109 °C; IR (thin film) ν 3160, 3023, 2924, 2260, 1790, 1699, 1493, 1451, 1375, 1101, 903, 739 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.58 (1H, dd, $J = 6.0, 2.0$ Hz), 7.31-7.20 (20H, m), 6.20 (1H, dd, $J = 6.0, 2.0$ Hz), 4.08 (1H, ddd, $J = 2.5, 2.0, 2.0$ Hz), 3.86 (2H, d, $J = 13.0$ Hz), 3.64 (1H, d, $J = 2.5$ Hz), 3.57 (2H, d, $J = 13.0$ Hz), 3.43 (2H, d, $J = 14.5$ Hz), 3.39 (2H, d, $J = 14.5$ Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 208.6, 163.0, 139.3 (2 peaks), 135.5, 129.5, 128.6, 128.2 (2 peaks), 127.1 (2 peaks), 64.4, 63.3, 55.0, 54.6; MS (EI) m/e (rel intensity) 472 (52), 396 (28), 381 (68), 246 (21), 245 (92), 202 (10), 172 (11), 91 (100); HRMS (EI) m/e calcd for C₃₃H₃₂N₂O (M⁺) 472.2515, found 472.2505.

***trans*-4,5-Bis-[bis-(4-methoxybenzyl)amino]cyclopent-2-enone (4d)**



Isolated as a bright yellow, crystalline solid (0.151 g, 99%): $R_f = 0.21$ (80:20 hexanes:EtOAc); mp = 156-157 °C; IR (thin film) ν 2996, 2833, 1700, 1610, 1550, 1511, 1248, 1170, 1035, 821 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.57 (1H, dd, $J = 6.0, 2.0$ Hz), 7.13 (4H, d, $J = 8.5$ Hz), 7.06 (4H, d, $J = 8.5$ Hz), 6.85-6.81 (8H, m), 6.17 (1H, dd, $J = 6.0, 1.5$ Hz), 3.98-3.97 (1H, m), 3.82 (6H, s), 3.81 (6H, s), 3.73 (2H, d, $J = 13.0$ Hz), 3.55 (1H, d, $J = 2.5$ Hz), 3.46 (2H, d, $J = 13.0$ Hz), 3.36 (2H, d, $J = 13.5$ Hz), 3.29 (2H, d, $J = 13.5$ Hz); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 208.5, 162.9, 158.7 (2 peaks), 135.4, 131.6, 131.5, 130.6, 129.9, 113.6 (2 peaks), 64.7, 63.8, 55.5, 54.5, 54.2; MS (EI) m/e (rel intensity) 592(16), 472 (5), 471 (16), 122 (16), 121 (100), 91(5), 78 (6), 77 (7); HRMS (EI) m/e calcd for $\text{C}_{37}\text{H}_{40}\text{N}_2\text{O}_5(\text{M}^+)$ 592.2937, found 592.2912.

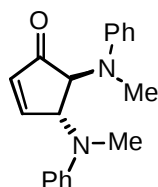
***trans*-4,5-Bis-(3,4-dihydro-1H-isoquinolin-2-yl)-cyclopent-2-enone (4e)**



Isolated as a viscous, bright yellow oil (0.158 g, 92%): $R_f = 0.31$ (70:30 hexanes:EtOAc); IR (thin film) ν 3069, 3015, 2924, 2809, 1703, 1581, 1497, 1448, 1269, 1131, 1101, 903 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.70 (1H, dd, $J = 6.0, 2.0$ Hz), 7.16-7.00 (8H, m), 6.32 (1H, dd, $J = 6.0, 2.0$ Hz), 4.25-4.13 (2H, m), 3.95-3.90 (3H, m), 3.62 (1H, d, $J = 3.0$ Hz), 3.12-2.86 (8H, m); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 207.0, 161.4, 135.4, 135.1, 134.5, 134.4, 134.2, 128.9, 126.6,

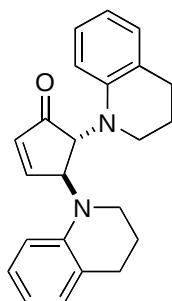
126.5, 126.4, 126.0, 125.8, 125.6, 67.9, 67.4, 53.0, 52.4, 47.5, 47.4, 30.3, 29.8; MS (EI) m/e (rel intensity) 344 (66), 213 (36), 186 (28), 170 (39), 132 (100), 117 (48), 104 (51), 91 (53), 78 (25); HRMS (EI) calcd for $C_{23}H_{24}N_2O$ (M^+) 344.1889, found 344.1884.

***trans*-4,5-Bis-(methylphenylamino)-cyclopent-2-enone (4f)** (Lewis, K. G.; Mulquiney, C. E. *Aust. J. Chem.* **1979**, 32, 1079-1092.)



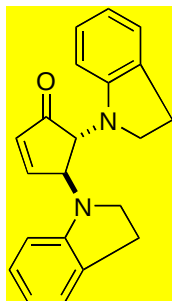
Isolated as a viscous, bright yellow oil (0.0821 g, 76%): 1H NMR (300 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.64 (1H, dd, $J = 6.5, 2.0$ Hz), 7.19-7.12 (4H, m), 6.79-6.70 (4H, m), 6.57-6.54 (2H, m), 6.48 (1H, dd, $J = 6.5, 2.0$ Hz), 5.19-5.18 (1H, m), 4.32 (1H, d, $J = 3.5$ Hz), 2.85 (3H, s), 2.82 (3H, s); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 202.4, 161.7, 149.2, 148.9, 143.7, 129.4, 129.3, 118.8, 118.3, 114.4, 113.9, 70.1, 62.8, 37.0, 34.0.

***trans*-4,5-Bis-(3,4-dihydro-2H-quinolin-1-yl)-cyclopent-2-enone (4g)**



Isolated as a viscous, bright yellow oil (0.163 g, 81%): $R_f = 0.27$ (80:20 hexanes:EtOAc); IR (thin film) ν 2962, 2901, 2855, 1749, 1459, 1371, 1238, 1044 cm^{-1} ; 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.67 (1H, dd, $J = 6.0, 2.0$ Hz), 6.99-6.87 (4H, m), 6.65-6.50 (4H, m), 6.09 (1H, d, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 5.38 (1H, br s), 4.32 (1H, br s), 3.33-3.15 (4H, m), 2.82-2.66 (4H, m), 2.00-1.88 (4H, m); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 201.9, 161.7, 144.4, 143.5, 134.4, 129.6 (2 peaks), 127.2, 126.9, 123.8, 123.6, 117.4, 117.2, 111.6, 110.9, 68.6, 60.1, 49.9, 45.6, 28.2 (2 peaks), 22.8, 22.6; MS (EI) m/e (rel intensity) 344 (40), 213 (22), 212 (100), 170 (11), 130 (11), 117 (9), 91 (10); HRMS (EI) calcd for $C_{23}H_{24}N_2O$ (M^+) 344.1889, found 344.1894.

***trans*-4,5-Bis-(2,3-dihydroindol-1-yl)-cyclopent-2-enone (4h)**

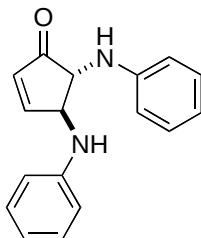


Isolated as a viscous, bright yellow oil (0.179 g, 99%): $R_f = 0.25$ (80:20 hexanes:EtOAc); IR (thin film) ν 3042, 2915, 2845, 1726, 1606, 1487, 1332, 1265, 1159, 741 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.68 (1H, dd, $J = 6.0, 2.0$ Hz), 7.08 (1H, d, $J = 7.0$ Hz), 7.05 (1H, d, $J = 7.5$ Hz), 6.96 (1H, dd, $J = 7.5, 7.5$ Hz), 6.91 (1H, dd, $J = 7.5, 7.5$ Hz), 6.67 (1H, dd, $J = 7.5, 7.5$ Hz), 6.63 (1H, dd, $J = 7.5, 7.5$ Hz), 6.49 (1H, dd, $J = 6.0, 2.0$ Hz), 6.35 (1H, d, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 6.07 (1H, d, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 5.01-4.99 (1H, m), 4.40 (1H, d, $J = 3.5$ Hz), 3.52 (1H, ddd, $J = 7.5, 7.5, 7.5$ Hz), 3.50 (1H, ddd, $J = 8.0, 8.0, 8.0$ Hz), 3.41 (1H, ddd, $J = 8.0, 8.0, 8.0$ Hz), 3.34 (1H, ddd, $J = 8.0, 8.0, 8.0$ Hz), 3.06-2.90 (4H, m); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 202.5, 161.8, 145.0, 149.8, 135.3, 130.3, 130.1, 127.5, 127.3, 125.0, 124.9, 118.7, 118.3, 107.5, 106.7, 63.4, 58.7, 51.4, 49.8, 28.6, 28.5; MS (EI) m/e (rel intensity) 316 (26), 199 (18), 198 (100), 130 (12), 91 (10), 80 (9), 76 (9); HRMS (EI) calcd for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2\text{O}$ (M^+) 316.1576, found 316.1568.

General Procedure for the Mild Lanthanide(III) Catalyzed Formation of *trans*-4,5-Diaminocyclopent-2-enones from 2-Furaldehyde and Primary Anilines

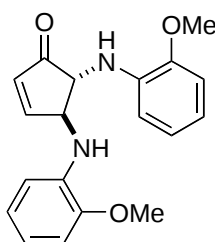
To a solution of 2-furaldehyde (0.500 mmol), primary aniline (1.00 mmol), and 4Å molecular sieves (0.10 g) in MeCN (6.0 mL) was added $\text{Sc}(\text{OTf})_3$ (0.0500 mmol). The resulting reaction mixture was stirred for 48 hours at room temperature. H_2O (10 mL) was added and the mixture was filtered through Celite. The aqueous layer extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3 x 10 mL). The combined organic extracts were dried over MgSO_4 , filtered and concentrated *in vacuo* to obtain the crude product. The product was purified by silica gel column chromatography, eluting with CH_2Cl_2 and MeOH or hexanes and EtOAc.

***trans*-4,5-Bis-phenylaminocyclopent-2-enone (4i)** (Lewis, K. G.; Mulquiney, C. E. *Tetrahedron* **1977**, 33, 463-475.)



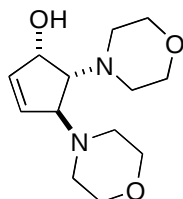
Isolated as a viscous, bright yellow oil (0.154, 78%): ^1H NMR (500 MHz, $\text{DMF-}d_7$) δ 7.76 (1H, dd, $J = 6.0, 2.0$ Hz), 7.15-7.06 (4H, m), 6.82-6.75 (4H, m), 6.64 (1H, tt, $J = 7.5, 1.0$ Hz), 6.60 (1H, tt, $J = 7.5, 1.0$ Hz), 6.40 (1H, dd, $J = 6.0, 1.5$ Hz), 6.26 (1H, d, $J = 8.5$ Hz), 6.03 (1H, d, $J = 7.0$ Hz), 4.75 (1H, dddd, $J = 7.0, 3.5, 1.5, 1.5$ Hz), 4.14 (1H, dd, $J = 7.0, 3.5$ Hz); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 205.6, 162.3, 149.5, 149.0, 133.3, 130.2, 129.9, 118.0, 117.7, 114.1, 114.0, 66.1, 61.0.

***trans*-4,5-Bis-(2-methoxyphenylamino)cyclopent-2-enone (4j)**



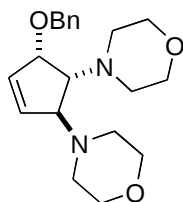
Isolated as a viscous, dark red oil (0.232, 52%): $R_f = 0.24$ (80:20 hexanes:EtOAc); IR (thin film) ν 3381, 3066, 2937, 2834, 1716, 1601, 1513, 1456, 1431, 1224, 1251, 1027, 910 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.57 (1H, dd, $J = 6.0, 1.0$ Hz), 6.83-6.69 (8H, m), 6.37 (1H, d, $J = 6.0$ Hz), 5.01 (1H, br s), 4.64-4.61 (2H, m), 3.89 (1H, br s), 3.86 (3H, s), 3.84 (3H, s); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 204.1, 161.2, 147.4 (2 peaks), 137.0, 136.1, 132.6, 121.5, 121.4, 118.3 (2 peaks), 111.9, 111.6, 110.1, 109.7, 66.2, 61.9, 55.7, 55.6; MS (EI) m/e (rel intensity) 324 (5), 203 (24), 202 (100), 186 (11), 123 (11), 108 (9), 80 (6), 77(9), 65 (9); HRMS (EI) m/e calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3$ (M^+) 324.1474, found 324.1480.

4,5-Dimorpholin-4-yl-cyclopent-2-enol



To a solution of **4a** (0.0500 g, 0.198 mmol) and $\text{CeCl}_3 \cdot 7\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (0.0900 g, 0.242 mmol) in MeOH (4.0 mL) was added NaBH_4 (0.0100 g, 0.264 mmol) at 0 °C. The resulting reaction mixture was stirred for 30 min at room temperature. The mixture was quenched by addition of sat'd NaHCO_3 (5 mL). The aqueous layer extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3 x 10 mL). The combined organic extracts were dried over MgSO_4 , filtered and concentrated *in vacuo* to obtain the crude product. The crude product was purified by silica gel column chromatography (eluting with CH_2Cl_2 :MeOH 96:4) to give a pale yellow, crystalline solid (0.0478 g, 95%): R_f = 0.13 (96:4 CH_2Cl_2 :MeOH); mp = 166-168 °C; IR (thin film) ν 3188, 2957, 2816, 2360, 1446, 1372, 1271, 1115, 1058, 886, 808 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 6.12-6.06 (2H, m), 4.51 (1H, ddd, J = 6.0, 2.0, 2.0 Hz), 3.80-3.73 (5H, m), 3.68 (4H, t, J = 4.5 Hz), 2.83 (1H, dd, J = 6.0, 6.0 Hz), 2.75-2.44 (9H, m); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 135.8, 132.6, 71.8, 70.4, 67.5, 67.3, 66.5, 52.4, 50.3; MS (EI) m/e (rel intensity) 254 (1), 238 (17), 237 (100), 168 (22), 100 (14), 86 (22), 84 (36), 51 (15); HRMS (EI) m/e calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3$ (M^+) 254.1630, found 254.1629.

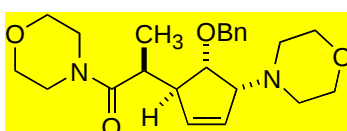
4,5-Dimorpholin-4-yl-cyclopent-2-enol (**9**)



To NaH (0.020 g, 1.57 mmol) in DMF (4.0 mL) was added a solution of 4,5-dimorpholin-4-yl-cyclopent-2-enol (0.200 g, 0.79 mmol) in DMF (4.0 mL) at 0 °C. The resulting reaction mixture was stirred for 30 min at 0 °C, and benzyl bromide (0.14 mL, 1.18 mmol) added. The reaction mixture was stirred and allowed to warm to room temperature overnight. The mixture was quenched by addition of aqueous NH_4Cl (5 mL), and the aqueous layer extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3 x 10 mL). The combined organic extracts were dried over MgSO_4 , filtered and concentrated *in vacuo* to obtain the crude product. The crude product was purified by

silica gel column chromatography to give **9** as a pale yellow oil (0.227 g, 84%): ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.36-7.24 (5H, m), 6.12-6.03 (2H, m), 4.63-4.49 (3H, m), 3.92-3.88 (1H, m), 3.72 (4H, t, $J = 4.5$ Hz), 2.92 (1H, dd, $J = 5.5, 5.5$ Hz), 2.86-2.79 (2H, m), 2.64-2.48 (6H, m); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 138.6, 133.8, 133.3, 128.3, 128.0, 127.6, 81.0, 71.3, 70.7, 67.4, 67.3, 65.7, 51.8, 50.1.

2-(5-Benzzyloxy-4-morpholin-4-yl-cyclopent-2-enyl)-1-morpholin-4-yl-propan-1-one (10**)**



A round-bottom flask containing TiCl_4 (0.32 mL, 0.32 mmol) was charged with CH_2Cl_2 (10 mL), then treated with **9** (0.110 g, 0.319 mmol), followed by $i\text{PrNEt}_2$ (0.090 mL, 0.48 mmol). The solution was stirred for 5 min before a solution of propionyl chloride (0.38 mL, 1 M solution in CH_2Cl_2 , 0.38 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 was added dropwise over 1 min. The resulting dark red solution was stirred for 16 h. The reaction mixture was then diluted with Et_2O (10 mL) and washed with aqueous 1 N NaOH (5 mL). The aqueous layer was then extracted with ether, and the combined organic layers washed with brine, dried over MgSO_4 , filtered and concentrated *in vacuo* to obtain the crude product. The product was purified by silica gel column chromatography (eluting with CH_2Cl_2 :MeOH 96:4) to give **10** as a clear, yellow oil as a single diastereomer (0.090 g, 72%): $R_f = 0.35$ (96:4 CH_2Cl_2 :MeOH); IR (Thin Film) ν 2961, 2893, 2852, 1642, 1453, 1432, 1355, 1235, 1153, 1116, 1029, 911, 739, 700 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CD_3CN) δ 7.45-7.32 (5H, m), 6.03 (1H, ddd, $J = 6.0, 2.0, 2.0$ Hz), 5.94 (1H, ddd, $J = 6.5, 2.0, 2.0$ Hz), 4.81 (1H, d, $J = 11.5$ Hz), 4.56 (1H, d, $J = 11.5$ Hz), 3.91 (1H, dd, $J = 7.0, 5.5$ Hz), 3.72 (1H, dddd, $J = 7.0, 2.0, 2.0, 2.0$ Hz), 3.67-3.50 (12H, m), 2.99-2.94 (1H, m), 2.82 (1H, dq, $J = 6.5, 6.5$ Hz), 2.73 (2H, dt, $J = 11.0, 4.5$ Hz), 2.61 (2H, dt, $J = 11.5, 4.5$ Hz), 1.02 (3H, d, $J = 7.0$ Hz); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 174.4, 138.9, 134.1, 129.0, 128.4 (2 peaks), 127.8, 81.4, 72.2, 69.4, 67.6, 67.5, 67.2, 67.0, 53.5, 52.0, 51.0, 46.3, 42.3, 36.1, 14.0; MS (ESI) m/e (rel intensity) 401 (100), 314 (30), 293 (29), 227 (6), 222 (8), 199 (2), 178 (5), 137 (22), 91 (11), 86 (2); HRMS (ESI) m/e calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{33}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4$ (MH^+) 401.2434, found 401.2421.

Ab initio Computational Study on Formation of 4,5-Diaminocyclopent-2-enones

Calculations were performed on an Apple Dual 1.4 GHz Power Mac using Spartan '02 Version 1.0.4e (Wavefunction Inc., Irvine, CA) (See: J. Kong, C.A. White, A.I. Krylov, C.D. Sherrill, R.D. Adamson, T.R. Furlani, M.S. Lee, A.M. Lee, S.R. Gwaltney, T.R. Adams, C. Ochsenfeld, A.T.B. Gilbert, G.S. Kedziora, V.A. Rassolov, D.R. Maurice, N. Nair, Y. Shao, N.A. Besley, P.E. Maslen, J.P. Dombroski, H. Daschel, W. Zhang, P.P. Korambath, J. Baker, E.F.C. Byrd, T. Van Voorhis, M. Oumi, S. Hirata, C.-P. Hsu, N. Ishikawa, J. Florian, A. Warshel, B.G. Johnson, P.M.W. Gill, M. Head-Gordon, and J.A. Pople, *J. Computational Chem.* **2000**, *21*, 1532).

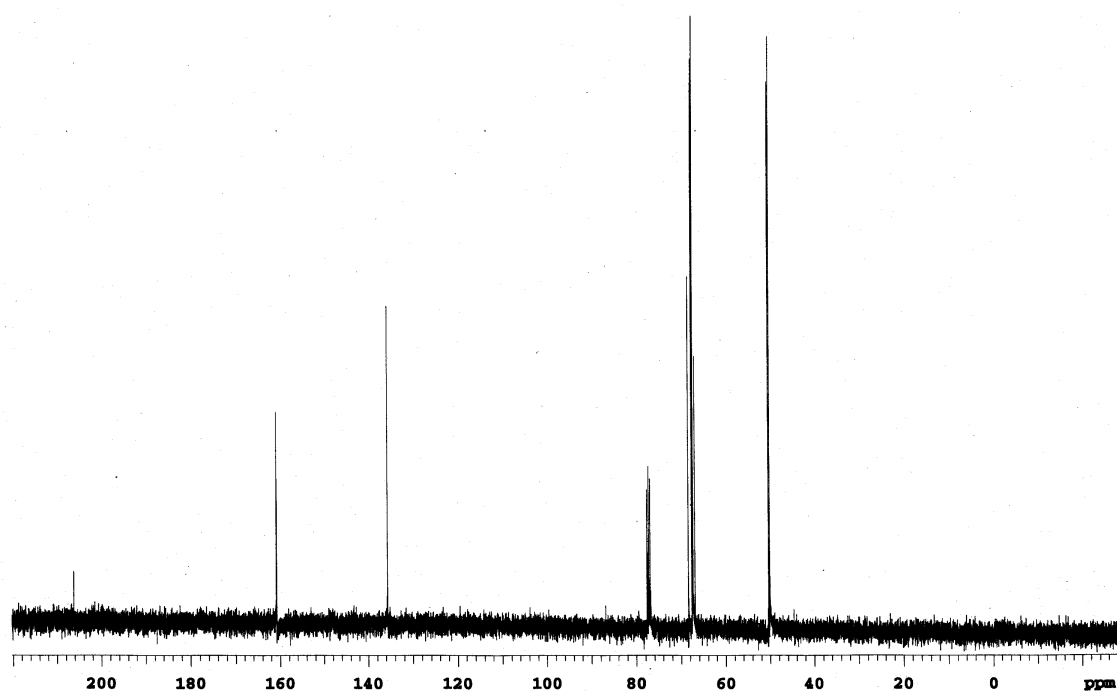
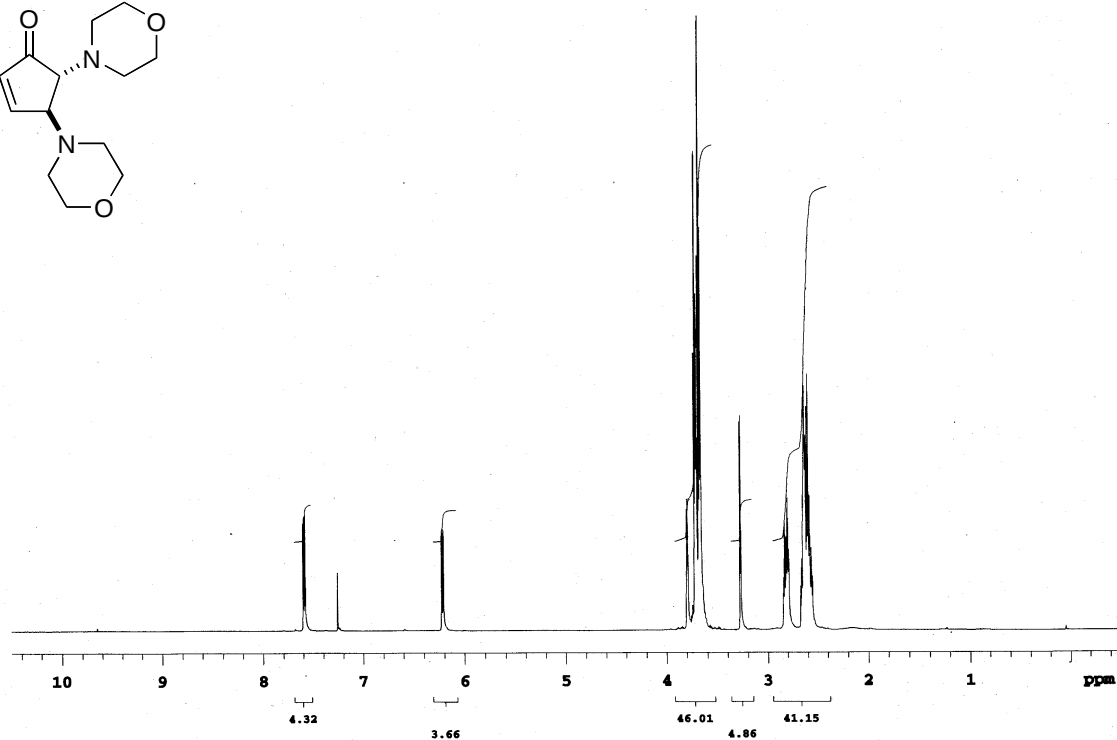
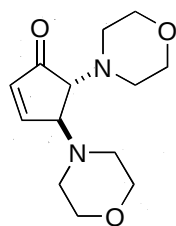
Exhaustive geometry optimizations, transition searches and single-point energies were conducted at the UHF/6-31G** level. Vibrational analysis was conducted at the UHF/6-31G** level, with single imaginary frequencies obtained for transition states. Zero-point energies (ZPVE's) were used unscaled. Relative energies are corrected for zero-point energies (kcal/mol), and are relative to the lowest energy structure cis-4,5-diaminocyclopent-2-enone. Only the lowest energy conrotatory $\pi 4a$ electrocyclization transition states are shown (two are possible, depending upon whether the motion occurs in a clockwise or counter-clockwise manner).

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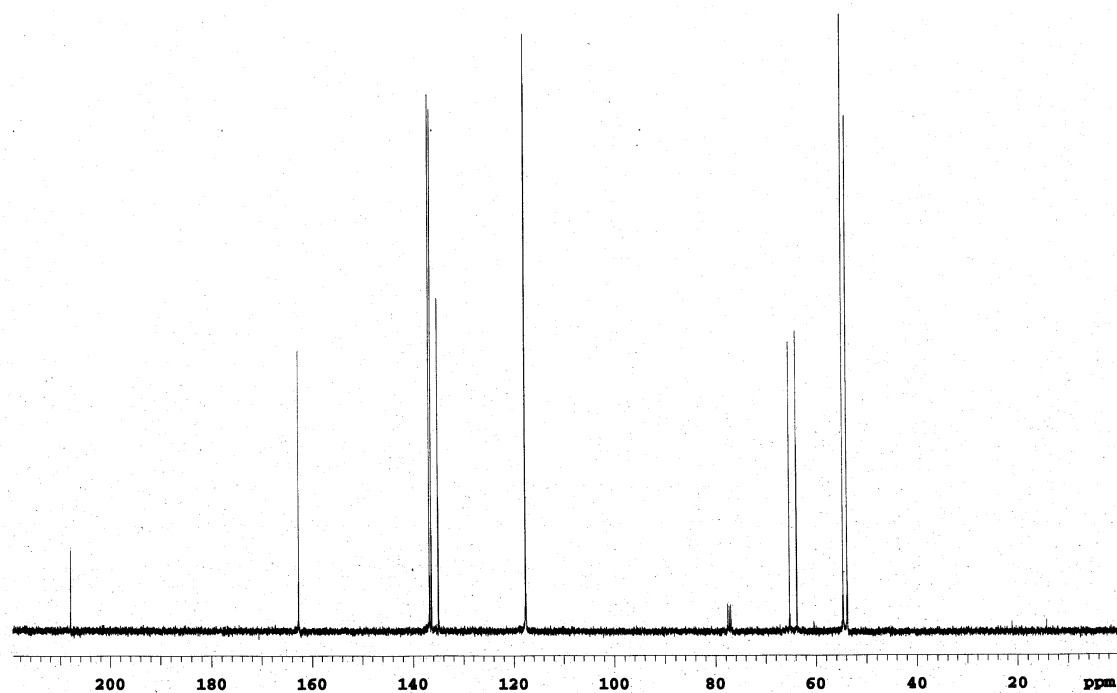
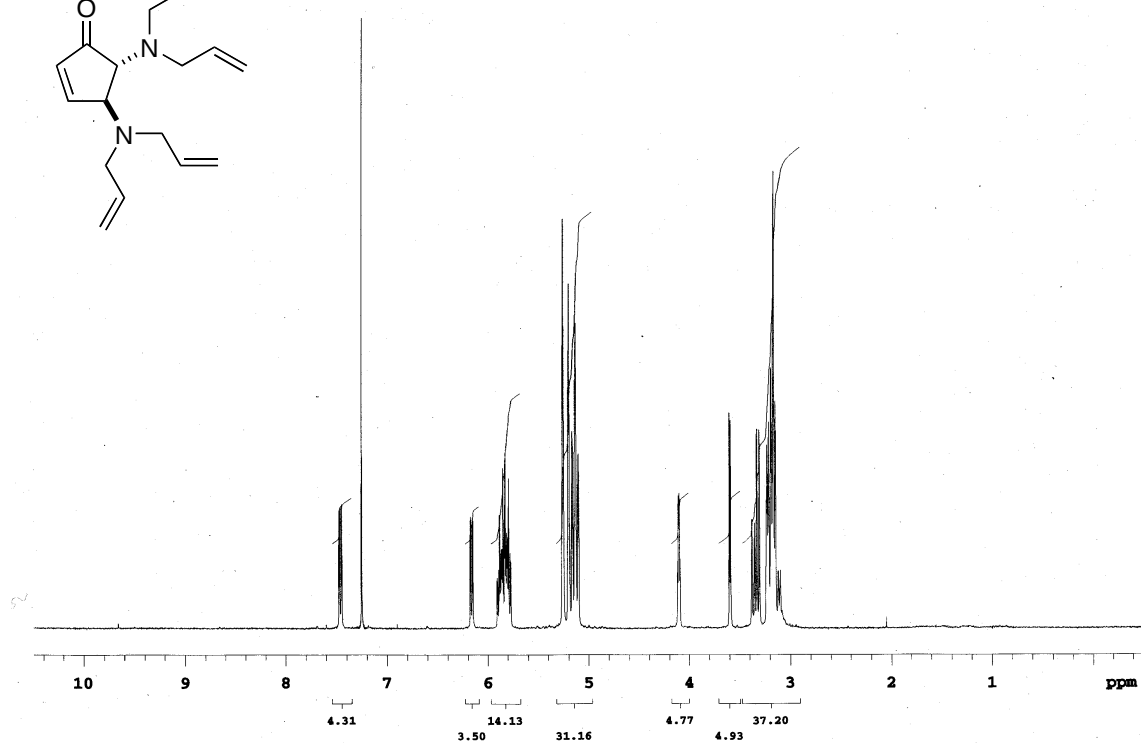
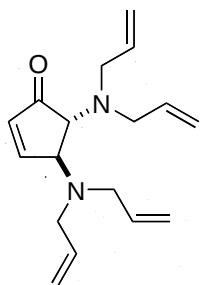
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Trans-4	-237039.20	89.73	-236949.47	1.42	0.91
8-ZEZE	-236995.06	88.01	-236907.05	45.56	43.33
8-ZEZZ	-236992.39	87.82	-236904.57	48.23	45.81
8-ZZEE	-237001.43	87.85	-236913.58	39.18	36.80
8-ZZZE	-237003.58	87.74	-236915.83	37.04	34.55
8-ZZZZ	-237007.83	87.96	-236919.87	32.79	30.51
Trans-TS	-236988.81	87.12	-236901.70	51.80	48.68
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^1H and ^{13}C NMR Spectra for all Compounds

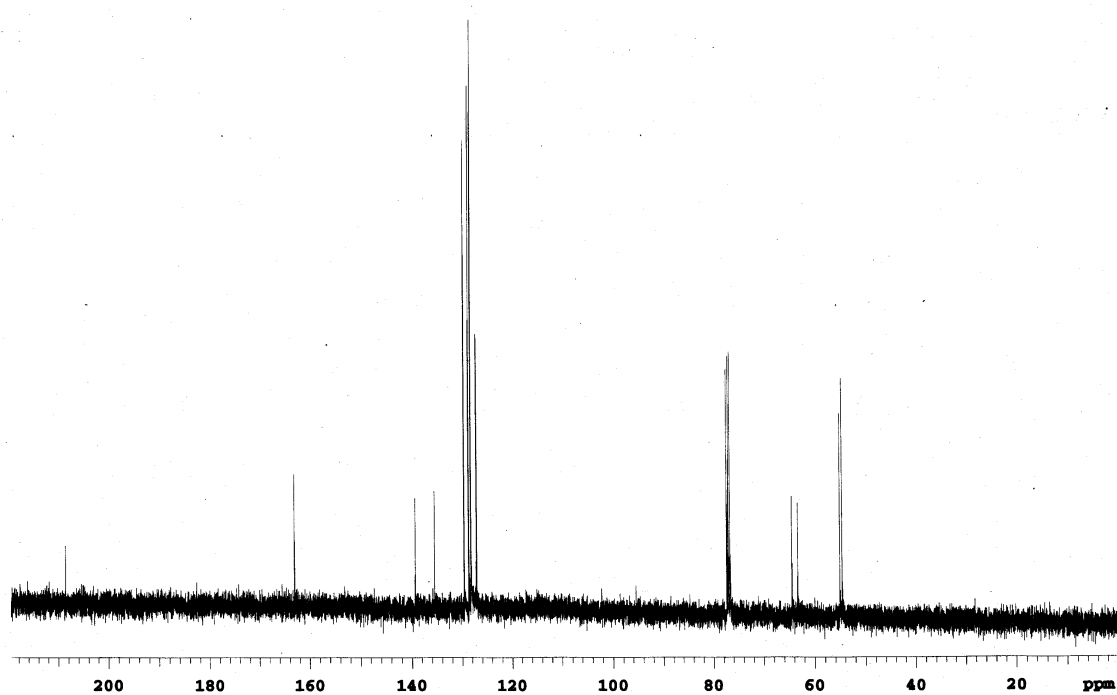
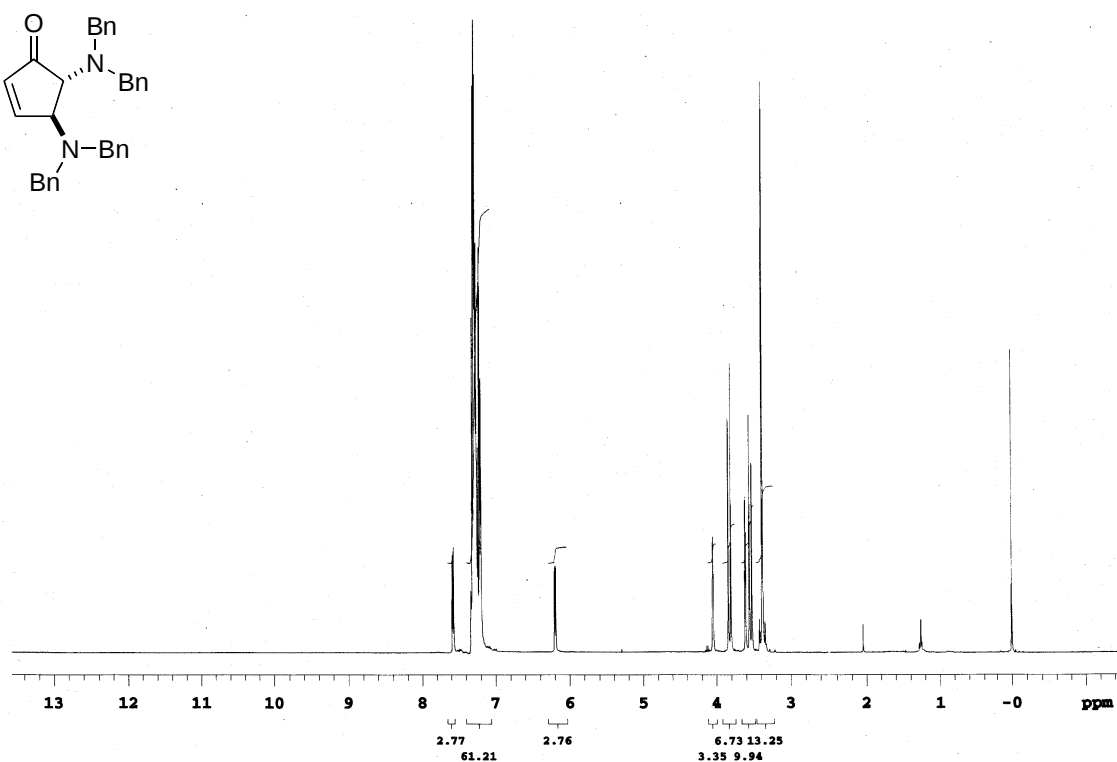
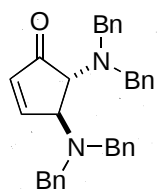
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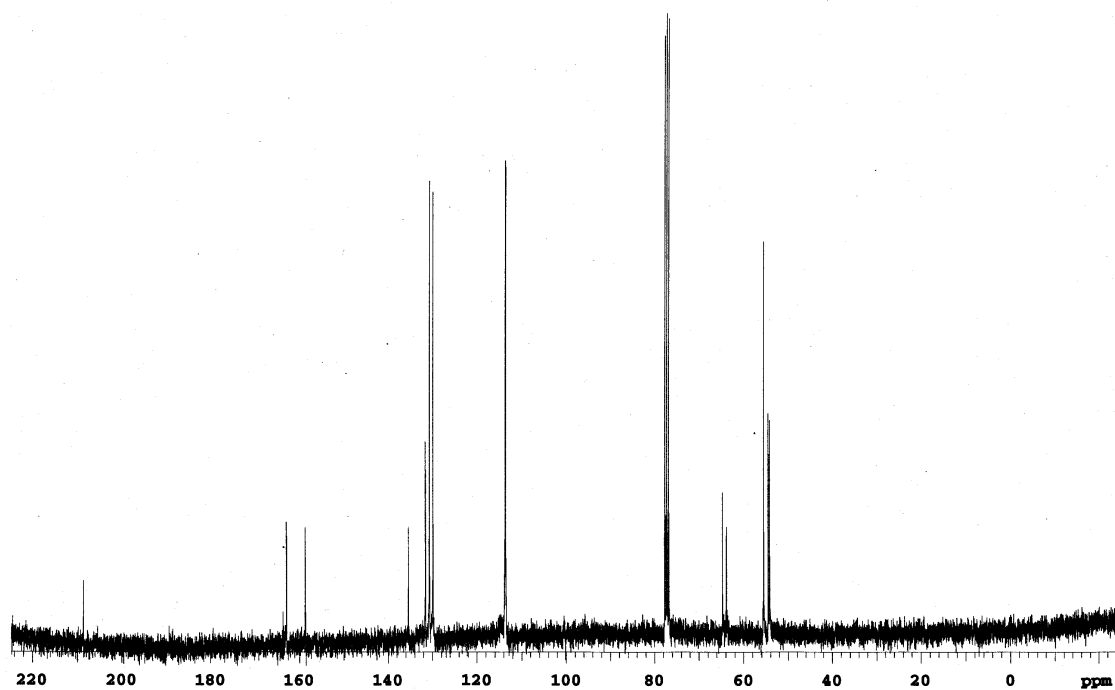
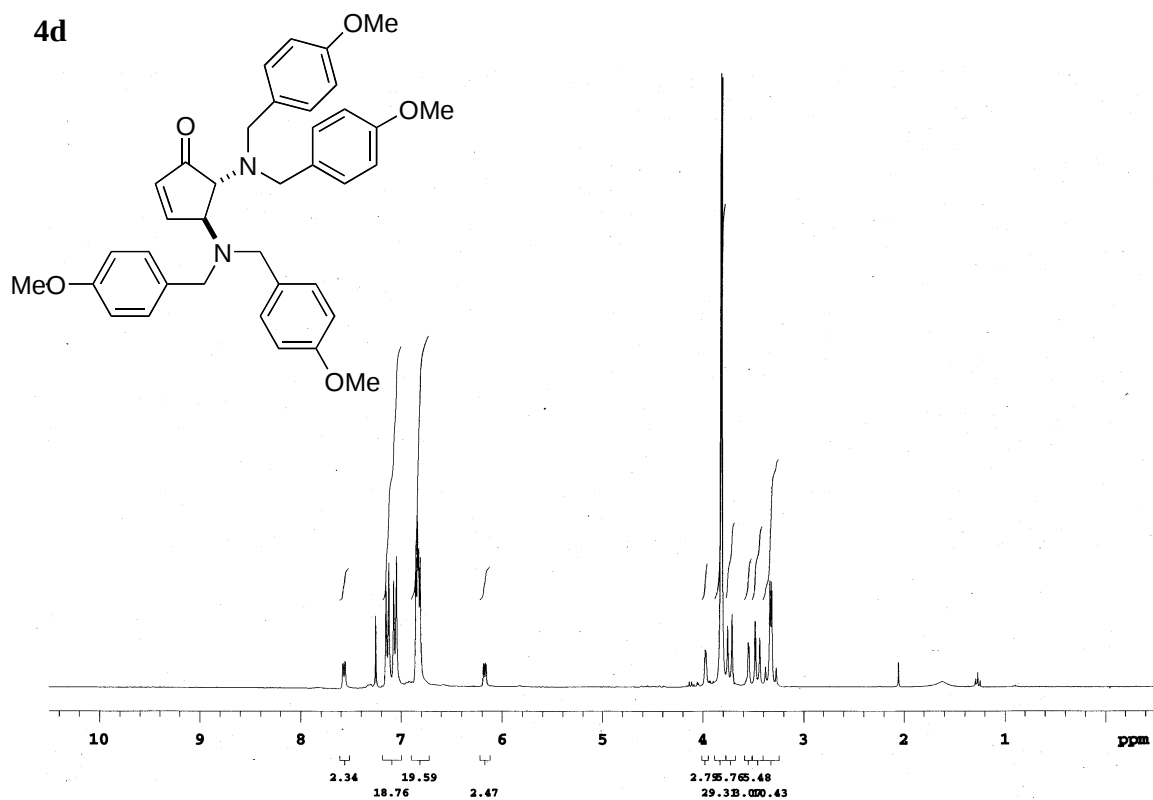
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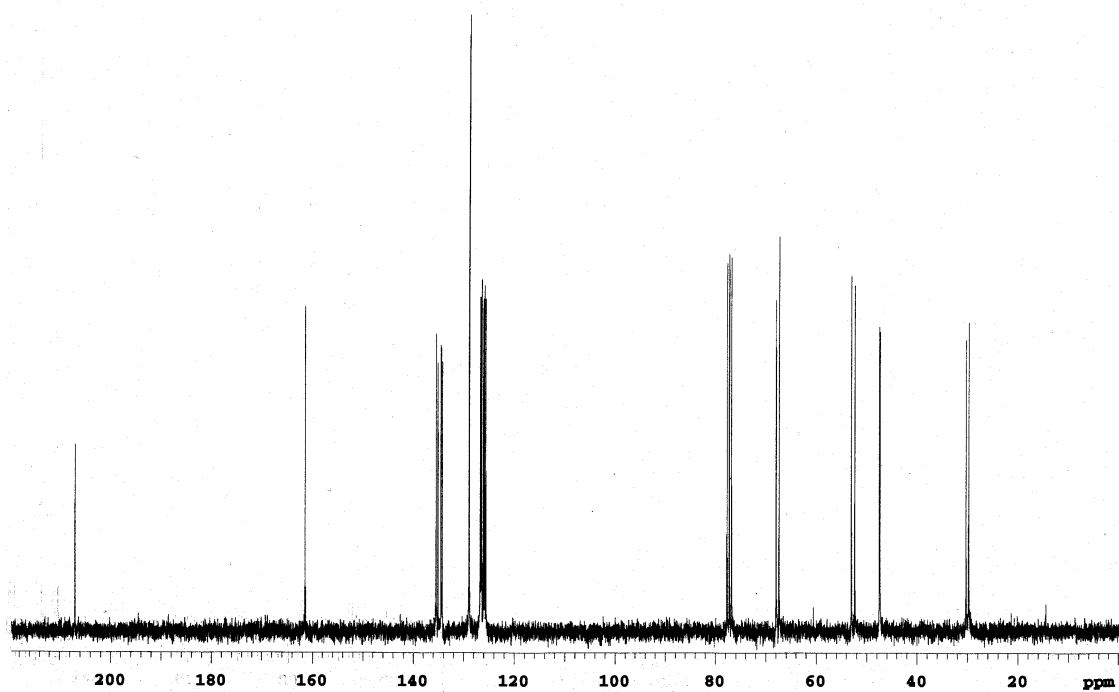
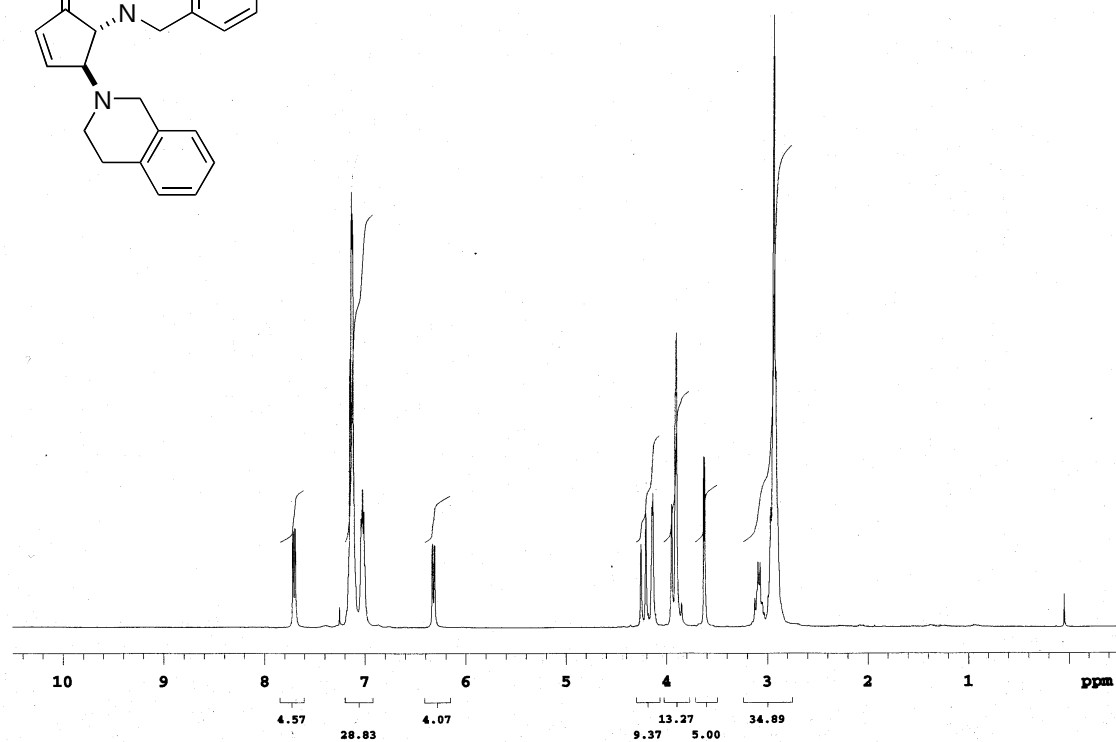
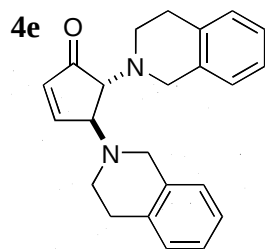


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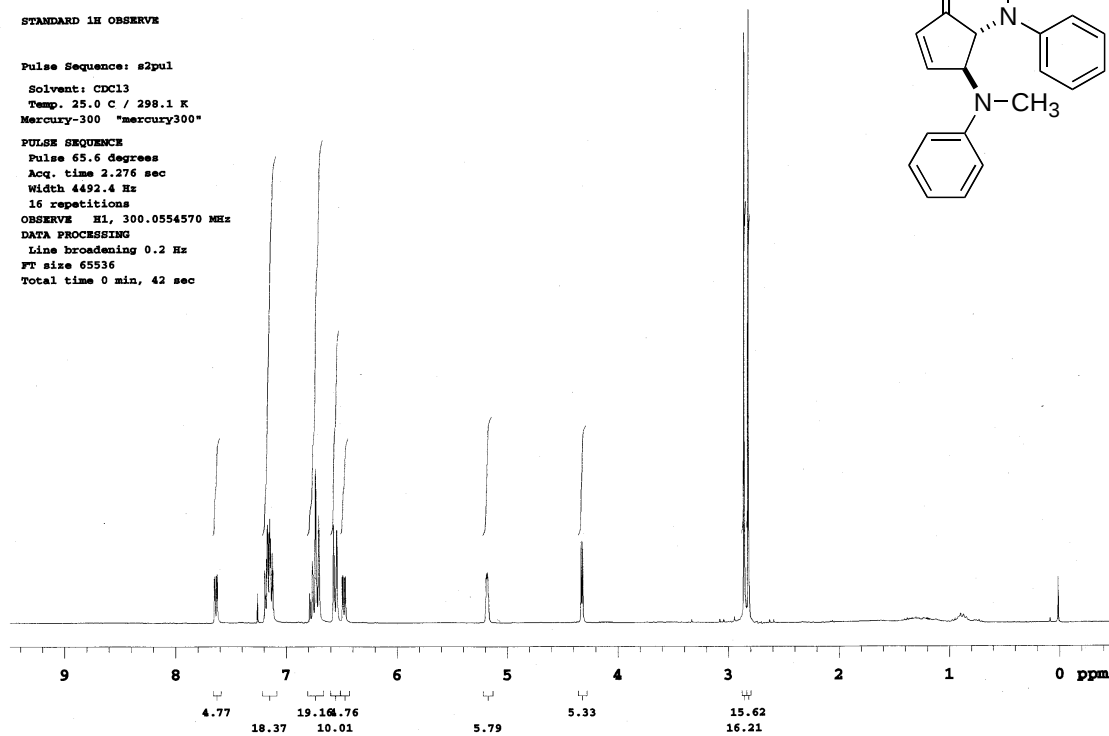


4d





4f



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PULSE SEQUENCE

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DECOUPLE H1, 300.0569294 MHz

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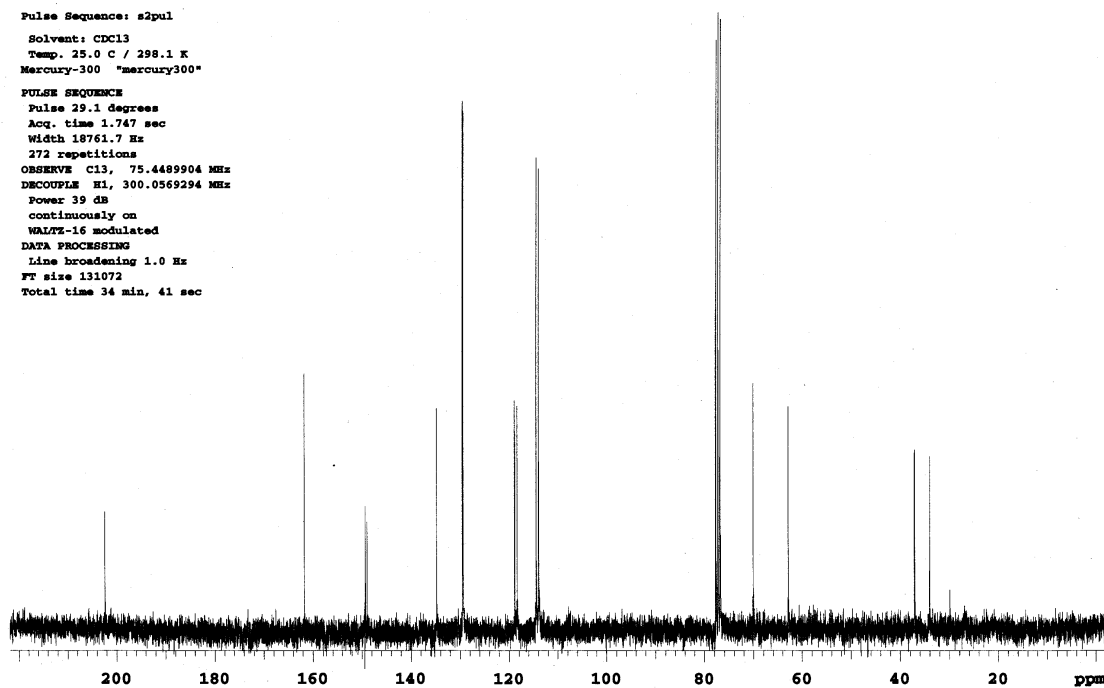
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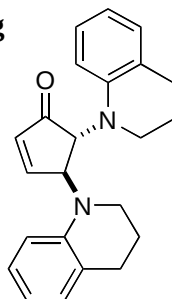
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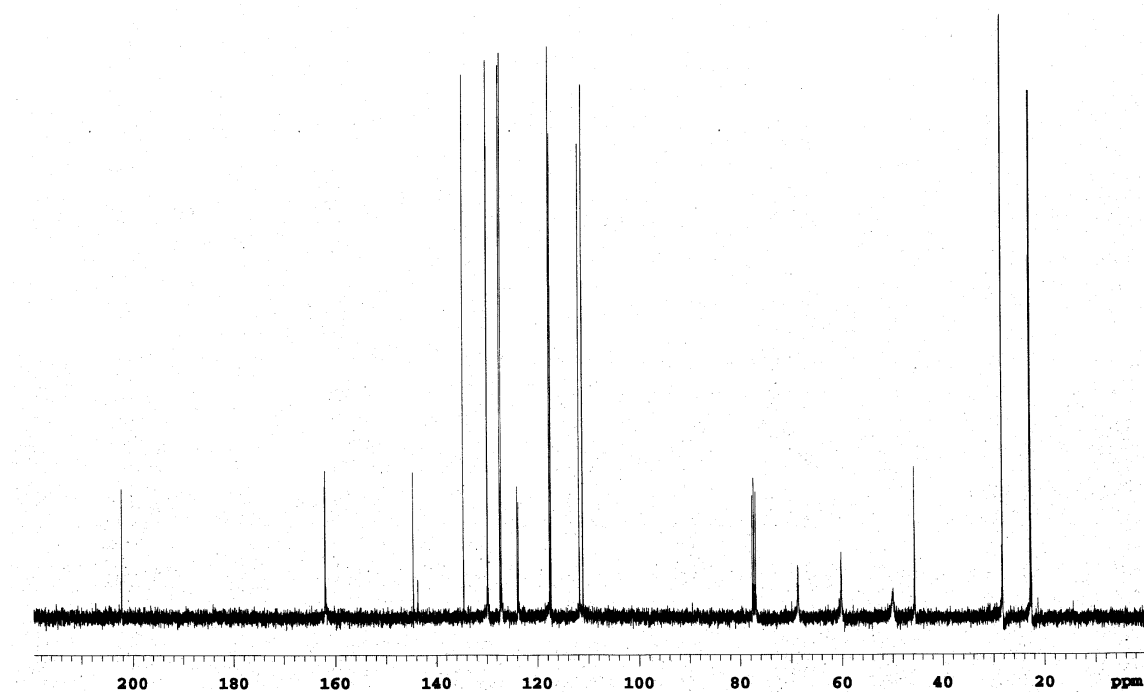
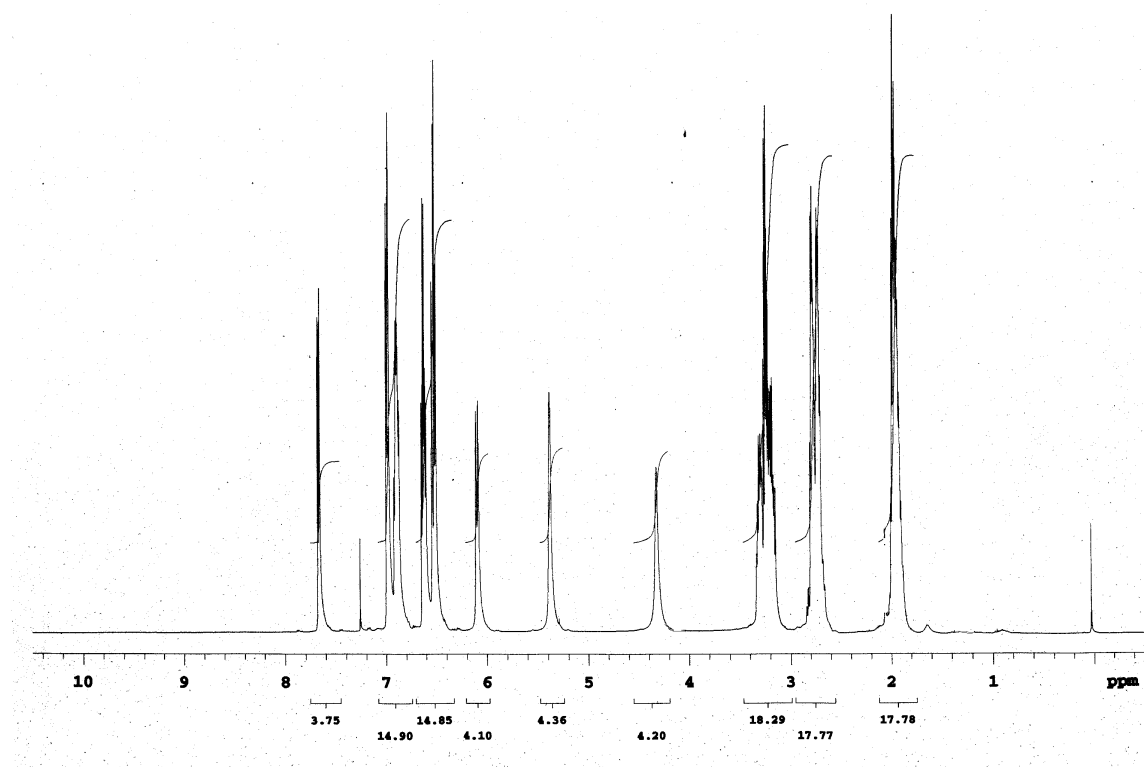
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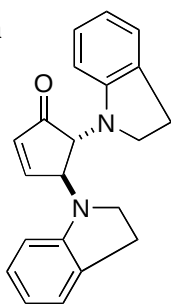


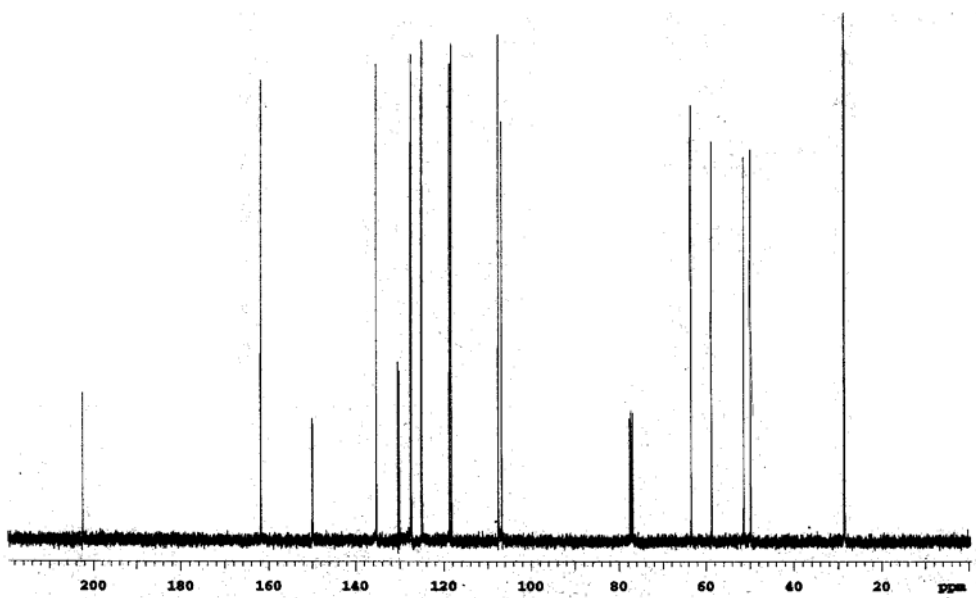
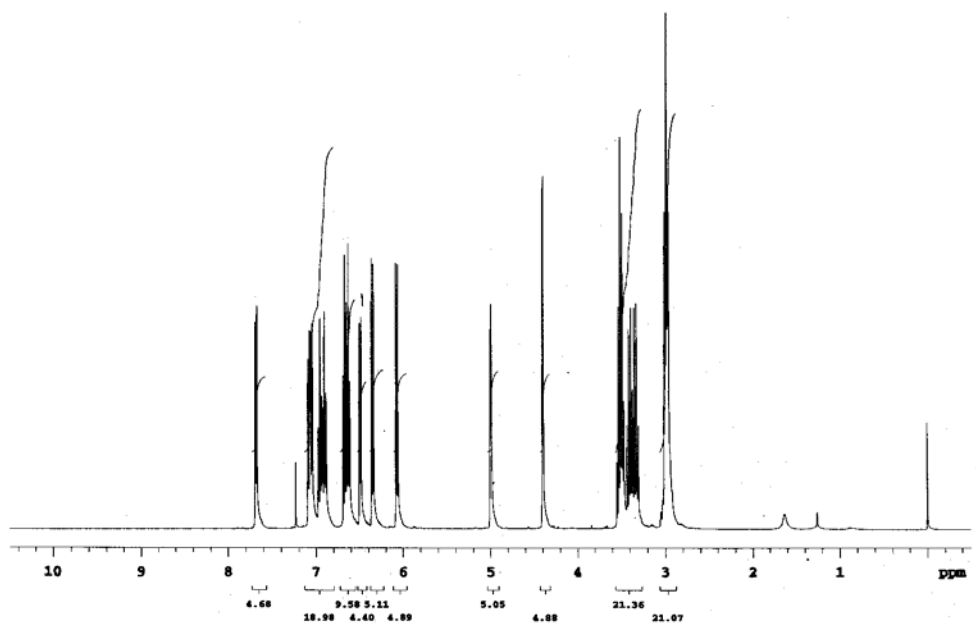
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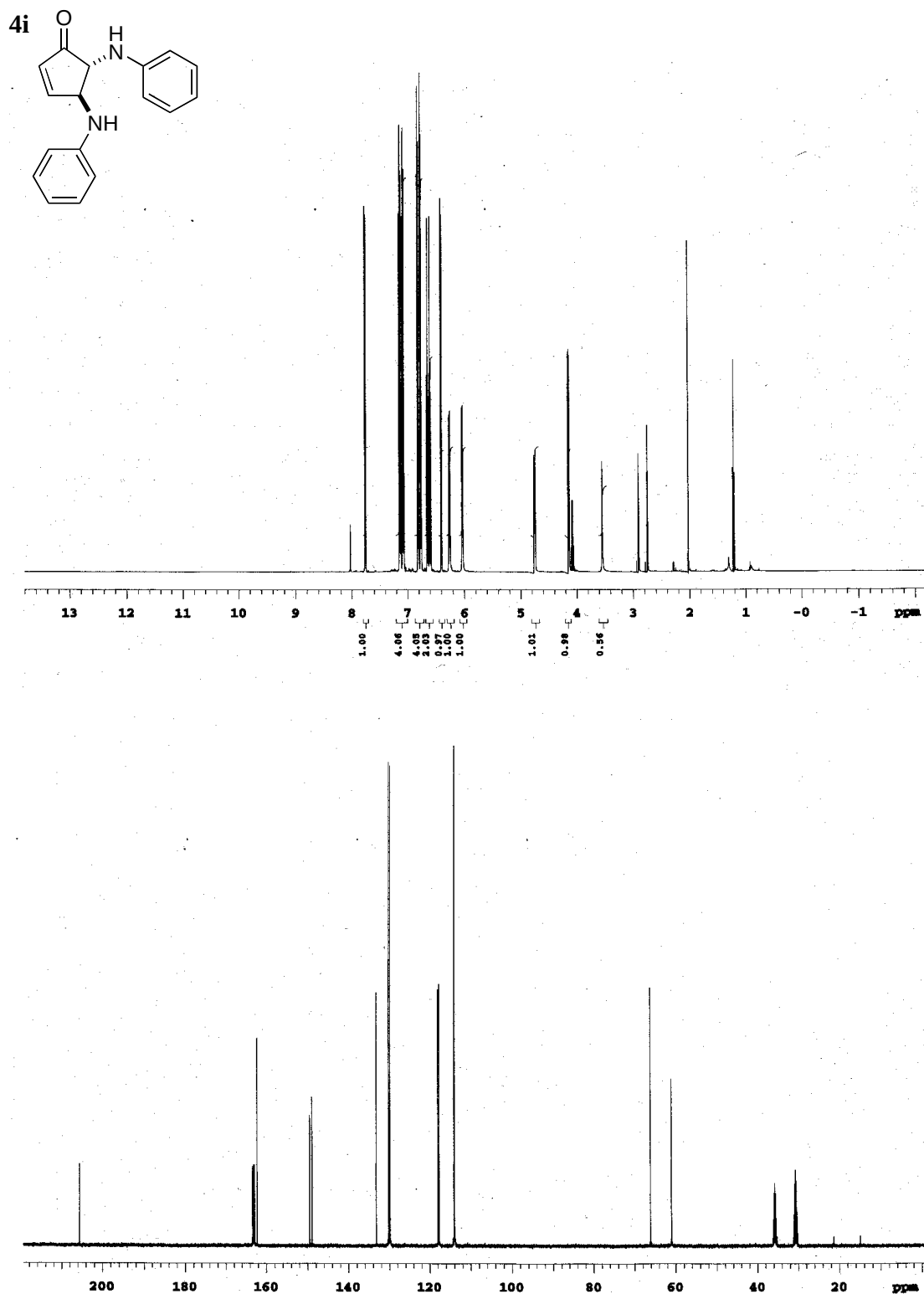


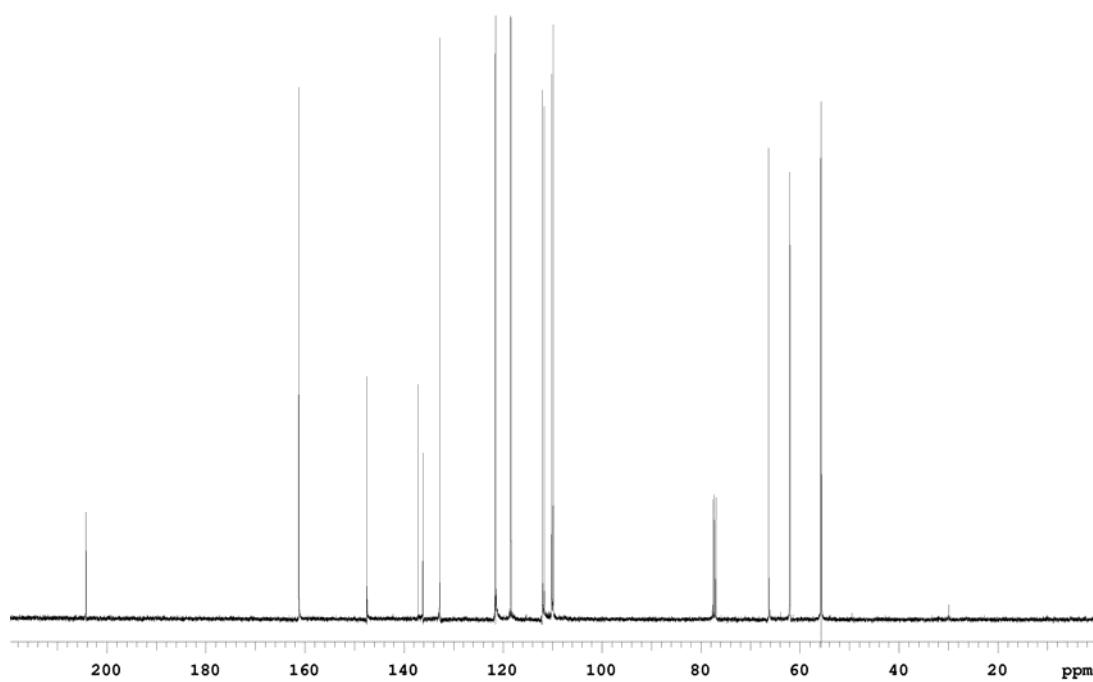
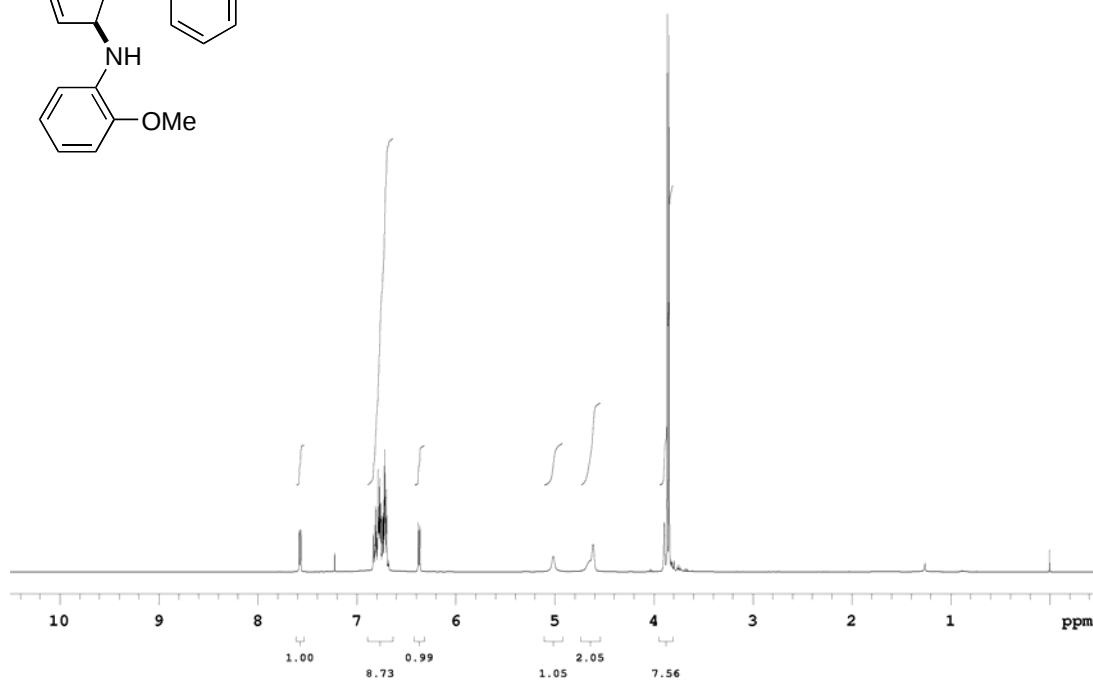
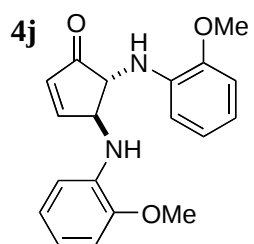


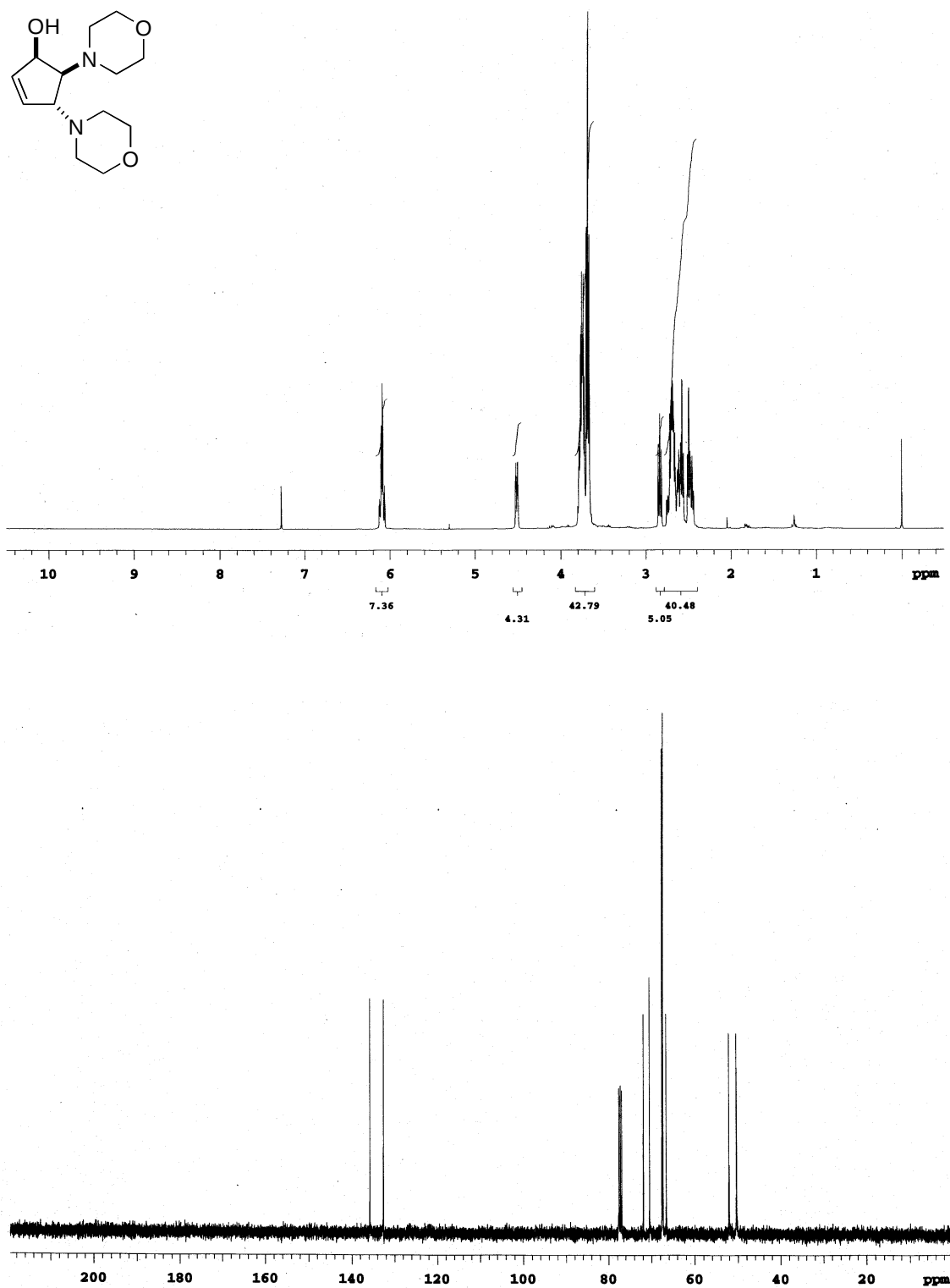
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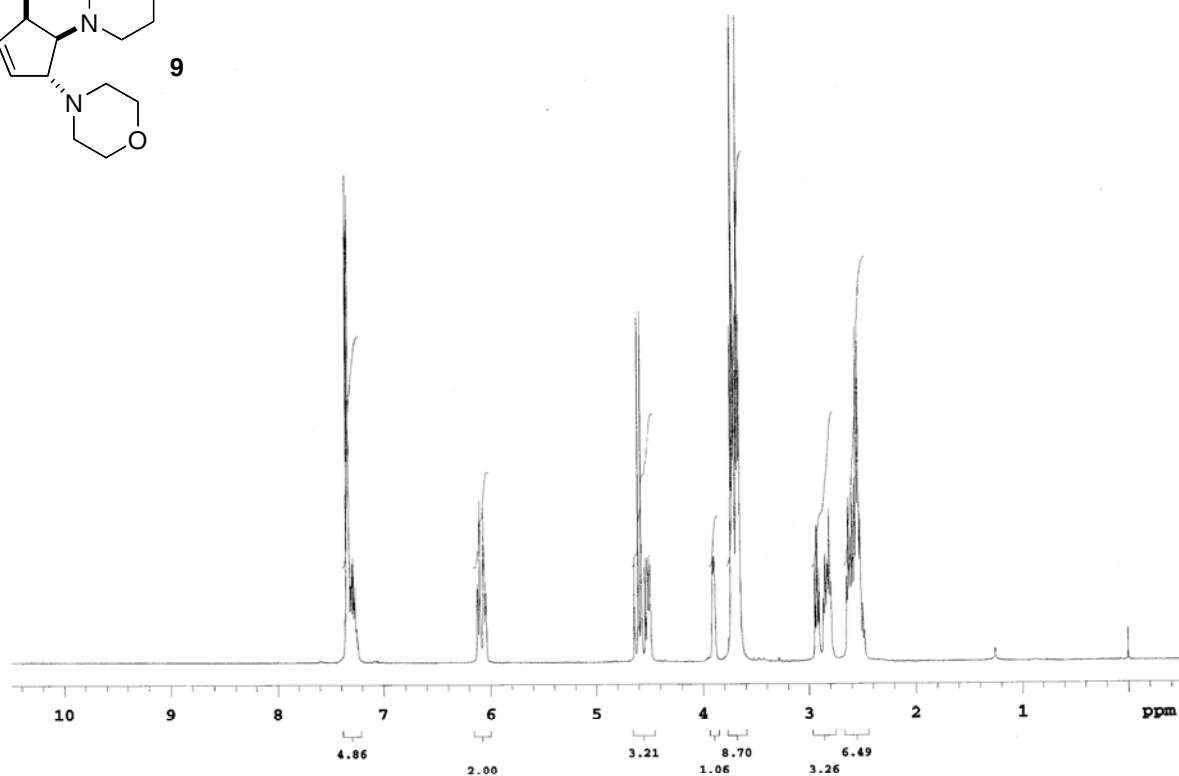
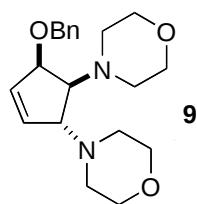


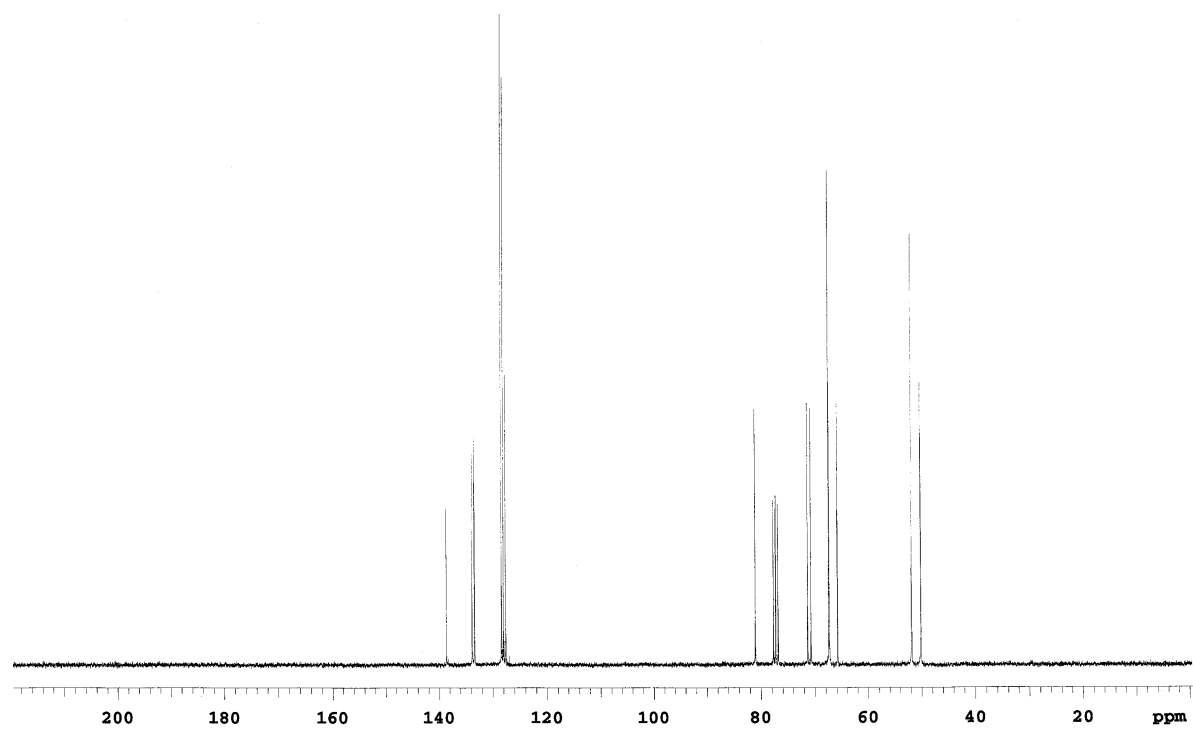




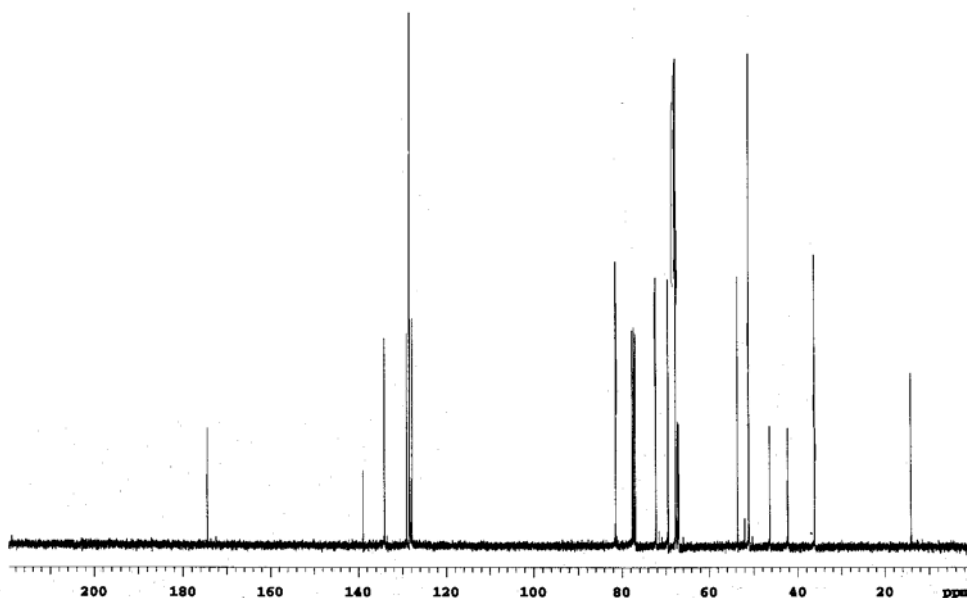
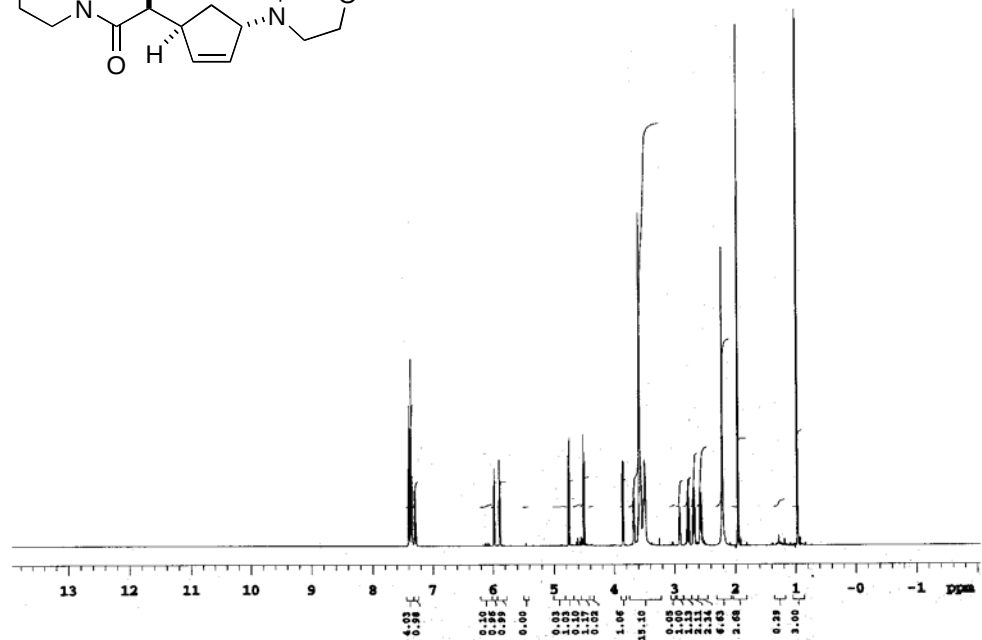
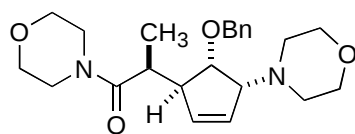








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X-Ray Structure and Crystal Data for 4d (determined by Dr. A. J. Lough)

(Thermal ellipsoids are shown at 30% probability):

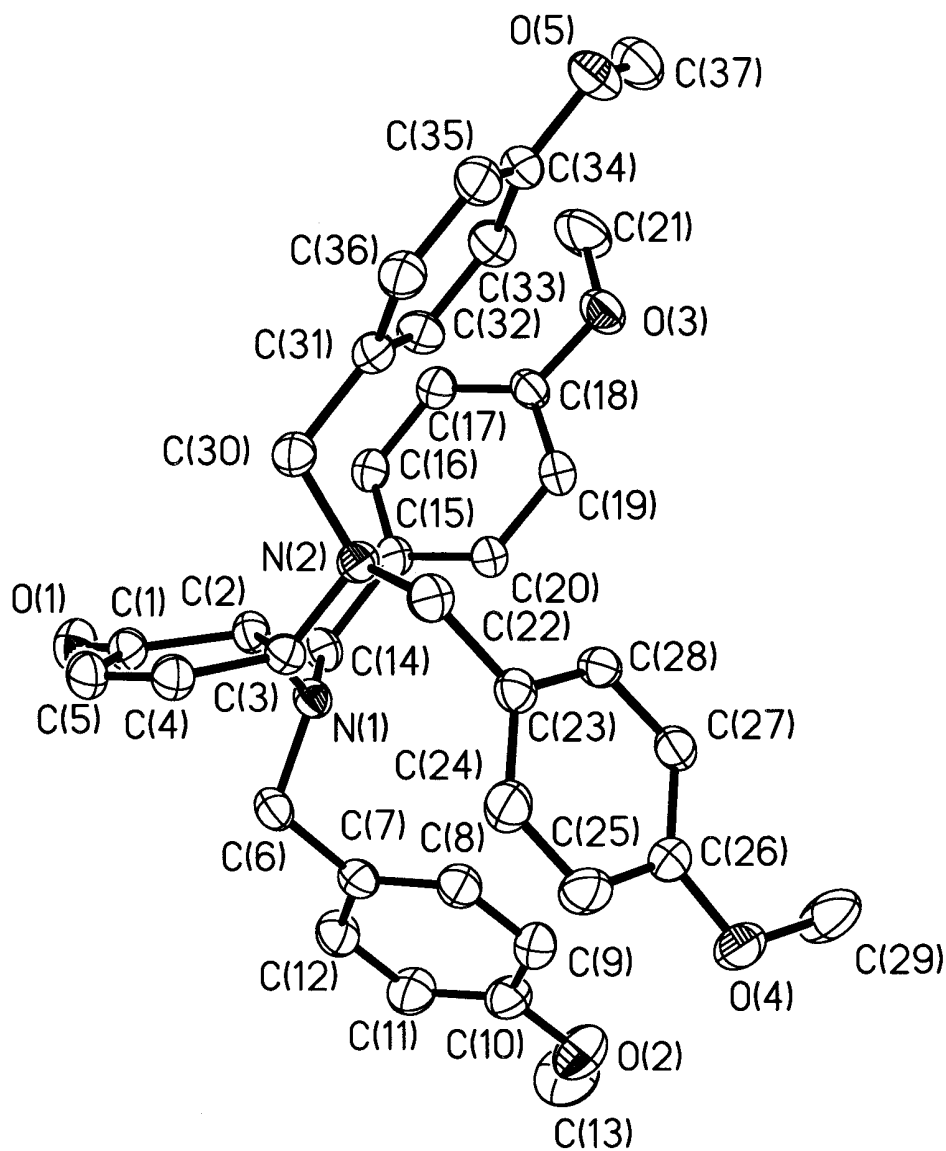


Table 1. Crystal data and structure refinement for **4d**.

Identification code	k01288	
Empirical formula	C ₃₇ H ₄₀ N ₂ O ₅	
Formula weight	592.71	
Temperature	150(1) K	
Wavelength	0.71073 Å	
Crystal system	Monoclinic	
Space group	P2(1)/n	
Unit cell dimensions	a = 10.3806(4) Å	α = 90°.
	b = 23.2130(10) Å	β = 94.869(2)°.
	c = 13.4673(6) Å	γ = 90°.
Volume	3233.4(2) Å ³	
Z	4	
Density (calculated)	1.218 Mg/m ³	
Absorption coefficient	0.081 mm ⁻¹	
F(000)	1264	
Crystal size	0.30 x 0.30 x 0.12 mm ³	
Theta range for data collection	2.59 to 25.07°.	
Index ranges	0 ≤ h ≤ 12, 0 ≤ k ≤ 27, -16 ≤ l ≤ 15	
Reflections collected	22437	
Independent reflections	5707 [R(int) = 0.097]	
Completeness to theta = 25.07°	99.5 %	
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalent reflections	
Max. and min. transmission	0.9904 and 0.9762	
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²	
Data / restraints / parameters	5707 / 2 / 410	
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.033	
Final R indices [I > 2σ(I)]	R1 = 0.0603, wR2 = 0.1485	
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.1210, wR2 = 0.1773	
Extinction coefficient	0.0071(12)	
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.243 and -0.174 e.Å ⁻³	

Table 2. Atomic coordinates ($\times 10^4$) and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ($\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$) for **4d**. $U(\text{eq})$ is defined as one third of the trace of the orthogonalized U_{ij} tensor.

	x	y	z	U(eq)
O(1)	5606(2)	2948(1)	5952(2)	64(1)
O(2)	3945(3)	440(1)	1185(2)	100(1)
O(3)	9214(2)	3911(1)	1120(2)	63(1)
O(4)	9160(2)	130(1)	2289(2)	69(1)
O(5)	13362(2)	4162(1)	3102(2)	67(1)
N(1)	6479(2)	2305(1)	4157(2)	41(1)
N(2)	9663(2)	2382(1)	4998(2)	41(1)
C(1)	6611(3)	2679(1)	5927(2)	46(1)
C(2)	7292(2)	2560(1)	4986(2)	41(1)
C(3)	8442(2)	2172(1)	5339(2)	40(1)
C(4)	8369(3)	2123(1)	6450(2)	48(1)
C(5)	7348(3)	2398(1)	6759(2)	54(1)
C(6)	5601(3)	1856(1)	4469(2)	47(1)
C(7)	5160(3)	1467(1)	3611(2)	45(1)
C(8)	6042(3)	1191(1)	3068(2)	53(1)
C(9)	5652(3)	846(1)	2261(2)	61(1)
C(10)	4343(3)	775(2)	1991(2)	63(1)
C(11)	3450(3)	1039(2)	2530(3)	66(1)
C(12)	3864(3)	1381(2)	3333(2)	58(1)
C(13*)	4768(8)	140(3)	580(6)	109(3)
C(13)	2690(5)	483(4)	697(6)	111(3)
C(14)	5801(2)	2731(1)	3499(2)	45(1)
C(15)	6726(2)	3063(1)	2905(2)	41(1)
C(16)	6586(3)	3651(1)	2743(2)	47(1)
C(17)	7395(3)	3954(1)	2155(2)	50(1)
C(18)	8353(3)	3661(1)	1713(2)	48(1)
C(19)	8520(3)	3077(1)	1874(2)	45(1)
C(20)	7716(2)	2782(1)	2463(2)	42(1)
C(21)	8988(4)	4493(2)	831(3)	95(1)
C(22)	10651(2)	1927(1)	4997(2)	47(1)

C(23)	10258(2)	1460(1)	4263(2)	44(1)
C(24)	9979(3)	907(1)	4576(2)	58(1)
C(25)	9607(3)	476(1)	3904(2)	64(1)
C(26)	9511(3)	589(1)	2896(2)	50(1)
C(27)	9749(3)	1139(1)	2558(2)	48(1)
C(28)	10117(3)	1563(1)	3251(2)	46(1)
C(29)	9187(5)	206(2)	1244(3)	101(2)
C(30)	10180(3)	2898(1)	5538(2)	46(1)
C(31)	11017(3)	3240(1)	4900(2)	45(1)
C(32)	10484(3)	3490(1)	4024(2)	52(1)
C(33)	11223(3)	3802(1)	3403(2)	55(1)
C(34)	12536(3)	3868(1)	3664(2)	53(1)
C(35)	13086(3)	3626(1)	4533(2)	55(1)
C(36)	12332(3)	3317(1)	5144(2)	50(1)
C(37)	12825(3)	4414(2)	2196(3)	75(1)

Table 3. Bond lengths [Å] and angles [°] for **4d**.

O(1)-C(1)	1.219(3)
O(2)-C(10)	1.370(4)
O(2)-C(13*)	1.412(2)
O(2)-C(13)	1.413(2)
O(3)-C(18)	1.376(3)
O(3)-C(21)	1.418(4)
O(4)-C(26)	1.373(3)
O(4)-C(29)	1.420(4)
O(5)-C(34)	1.373(3)
O(5)-C(37)	1.423(4)
N(1)-C(2)	1.466(3)
N(1)-C(14)	1.467(3)
N(1)-C(6)	1.469(3)
N(2)-C(3)	1.468(3)
N(2)-C(22)	1.473(3)
N(2)-C(30)	1.476(3)
C(1)-C(5)	1.457(4)
C(1)-C(2)	1.527(4)
C(2)-C(3)	1.538(4)
C(3)-C(4)	1.509(4)
C(4)-C(5)	1.334(4)
C(6)-C(7)	1.507(4)
C(7)-C(8)	1.377(4)
C(7)-C(12)	1.380(4)
C(8)-C(9)	1.384(4)
C(9)-C(10)	1.386(4)
C(10)-C(11)	1.370(5)
C(11)-C(12)	1.380(4)
C(13*)-C(13*)#1	1.796(11)
C(14)-C(15)	1.512(4)
C(15)-C(16)	1.388(4)
C(15)-C(20)	1.392(4)
C(16)-C(17)	1.393(4)

C(17)-C(18)	1.381(4)
C(18)-C(19)	1.382(4)
C(19)-C(20)	1.380(4)
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C(23)-C(28)	1.380(4)
C(23)-C(24)	1.389(4)
C(24)-C(25)	1.382(4)
C(25)-C(26)	1.379(4)
C(26)-C(27)	1.383(4)
C(27)-C(28)	1.388(4)
C(30)-C(31)	1.501(4)
C(31)-C(32)	1.386(4)
C(31)-C(36)	1.388(4)
C(32)-C(33)	1.387(4)
C(33)-C(34)	1.386(4)
C(34)-C(35)	1.378(4)
C(35)-C(36)	1.383(4)

C(10)-O(2)-C(13*)	125.4(5)
C(10)-O(2)-C(13)	122.1(4)
C(13*)-O(2)-C(13)	110.3(6)
C(18)-O(3)-C(21)	117.4(3)
C(26)-O(4)-C(29)	117.9(3)
C(34)-O(5)-C(37)	117.4(2)
C(2)-N(1)-C(14)	113.8(2)
C(2)-N(1)-C(6)	113.6(2)
C(14)-N(1)-C(6)	111.9(2)
C(3)-N(2)-C(22)	112.4(2)
C(3)-N(2)-C(30)	113.7(2)
C(22)-N(2)-C(30)	111.0(2)
O(1)-C(1)-C(5)	127.1(3)
O(1)-C(1)-C(2)	125.0(3)
C(5)-C(1)-C(2)	107.9(2)
N(1)-C(2)-C(1)	115.3(2)
N(1)-C(2)-C(3)	112.3(2)

C(1)-C(2)-C(3)	104.5(2)
N(2)-C(3)-C(4)	116.9(2)
N(2)-C(3)-C(2)	112.1(2)
C(4)-C(3)-C(2)	104.4(2)
C(5)-C(4)-C(3)	112.4(3)
C(4)-C(5)-C(1)	110.7(3)
N(1)-C(6)-C(7)	111.2(2)
C(8)-C(7)-C(12)	117.8(3)
C(8)-C(7)-C(6)	120.9(2)
C(12)-C(7)-C(6)	121.3(3)
C(7)-C(8)-C(9)	121.5(3)
C(8)-C(9)-C(10)	119.3(3)
C(11)-C(10)-O(2)	120.1(3)
C(11)-C(10)-C(9)	120.0(3)
O(2)-C(10)-C(9)	119.9(3)
C(10)-C(11)-C(12)	119.6(3)
C(7)-C(12)-C(11)	121.8(3)
O(2)-C(13*)-C(13*)#1	154.2(10)
N(1)-C(14)-C(15)	111.7(2)
C(16)-C(15)-C(20)	117.7(3)
C(16)-C(15)-C(14)	121.4(2)
C(20)-C(15)-C(14)	120.8(3)
C(15)-C(16)-C(17)	121.7(3)
C(18)-C(17)-C(16)	119.2(3)
O(3)-C(18)-C(17)	124.7(3)
O(3)-C(18)-C(19)	115.2(3)
C(17)-C(18)-C(19)	120.1(3)
C(20)-C(19)-C(18)	120.1(3)
C(19)-C(20)-C(15)	121.2(3)
N(2)-C(22)-C(23)	111.7(2)
C(28)-C(23)-C(24)	117.0(3)
C(28)-C(23)-C(22)	121.6(3)
C(24)-C(23)-C(22)	121.3(3)
C(25)-C(24)-C(23)	121.6(3)
C(26)-C(25)-C(24)	119.9(3)

O(4)-C(26)-C(25)	115.6(3)
O(4)-C(26)-C(27)	124.4(3)
C(25)-C(26)-C(27)	120.0(3)
C(26)-C(27)-C(28)	118.7(3)
C(23)-C(28)-C(27)	122.7(3)
N(2)-C(30)-C(31)	110.6(2)
C(32)-C(31)-C(36)	117.5(3)
C(32)-C(31)-C(30)	119.9(2)
C(36)-C(31)-C(30)	122.6(3)
C(31)-C(32)-C(33)	122.0(3)
C(34)-C(33)-C(32)	119.1(3)
O(5)-C(34)-C(35)	116.0(3)
O(5)-C(34)-C(33)	124.1(3)
C(35)-C(34)-C(33)	119.9(3)
C(34)-C(35)-C(36)	120.1(3)
C(35)-C(36)-C(31)	121.4(3)

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms:

#1 -x+1,-y,-z

Table 4. Anisotropic displacement parameters ($\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$) for **4d**. The anisotropic displacement factor exponent takes the form: $-2\pi^2 [h^2 a^{*2} U^{11} + \dots + 2 h k a^* b^* U^{12}]$

	U ¹¹	U ²²	U ³³	U ²³	U ¹³	U ¹²
O(1)	58(1)	72(2)	61(1)	-10(1)	11(1)	8(1)
O(2)	122(2)	88(2)	87(2)	-34(2)	3(2)	-17(2)
O(3)	66(1)	59(2)	66(1)	12(1)	24(1)	-3(1)
O(4)	107(2)	45(1)	57(1)	-5(1)	11(1)	-6(1)
O(5)	54(1)	73(2)	76(2)	9(1)	21(1)	-11(1)
N(1)	37(1)	49(2)	38(1)	0(1)	5(1)	-4(1)
N(2)	35(1)	42(1)	47(1)	-4(1)	5(1)	0(1)
C(1)	42(2)	50(2)	48(2)	-8(1)	10(1)	-4(1)
C(2)	36(1)	49(2)	38(2)	-4(1)	6(1)	-2(1)
C(3)	38(1)	42(2)	41(2)	0(1)	5(1)	-3(1)
C(4)	49(2)	52(2)	44(2)	-3(1)	6(1)	-4(2)
C(5)	61(2)	63(2)	38(2)	-4(2)	7(2)	-10(2)
C(6)	42(2)	59(2)	41(2)	1(1)	9(1)	-8(1)
C(7)	40(2)	48(2)	47(2)	2(1)	6(1)	-4(1)
C(8)	44(2)	58(2)	59(2)	-3(2)	6(2)	-4(2)
C(9)	62(2)	57(2)	67(2)	-9(2)	17(2)	1(2)
C(10)	74(2)	57(2)	57(2)	-8(2)	1(2)	-13(2)
C(11)	51(2)	72(2)	75(2)	-14(2)	-1(2)	-10(2)
C(12)	42(2)	70(2)	63(2)	-7(2)	8(2)	-4(2)
C(13*)	165(9)	82(6)	87(6)	-20(5)	57(6)	-11(6)
C(13)	92(6)	132(8)	100(6)	-30(6)	-37(5)	-26(6)
C(14)	38(2)	56(2)	42(2)	3(1)	5(1)	3(1)
C(15)	36(1)	47(2)	39(2)	1(1)	3(1)	2(1)
C(16)	47(2)	49(2)	47(2)	-5(1)	8(1)	6(1)
C(17)	52(2)	50(2)	49(2)	-1(2)	5(1)	3(2)
C(18)	47(2)	55(2)	42(2)	4(1)	10(1)	-7(2)
C(19)	43(2)	54(2)	41(2)	1(1)	9(1)	4(1)
C(20)	43(2)	46(2)	38(2)	1(1)	6(1)	1(1)
C(21)	111(3)	62(3)	120(3)	29(2)	48(3)	-6(2)
C(22)	39(2)	50(2)	52(2)	0(1)	4(1)	4(1)

C(23)	39(2)	44(2)	50(2)	2(1)	10(1)	5(1)
C(24)	79(2)	50(2)	47(2)	4(2)	10(2)	7(2)
C(25)	93(2)	42(2)	56(2)	7(2)	9(2)	0(2)
C(26)	59(2)	42(2)	52(2)	-3(1)	13(2)	1(1)
C(27)	47(2)	49(2)	49(2)	5(2)	14(1)	2(1)
C(28)	45(2)	39(2)	55(2)	3(1)	12(1)	-1(1)
C(29)	195(5)	56(3)	51(2)	-8(2)	10(3)	-15(3)
C(30)	40(2)	51(2)	47(2)	-7(1)	4(1)	-4(1)
C(31)	44(2)	44(2)	45(2)	-7(1)	5(1)	-4(1)
C(32)	40(2)	56(2)	58(2)	-1(2)	5(1)	-7(1)
C(33)	49(2)	57(2)	59(2)	3(2)	8(2)	-2(2)
C(34)	48(2)	50(2)	63(2)	-7(2)	20(2)	-6(2)
C(35)	38(2)	64(2)	61(2)	-8(2)	6(2)	-2(2)
C(36)	42(2)	54(2)	52(2)	-6(2)	1(1)	-1(1)
C(37)	77(2)	74(3)	77(2)	11(2)	28(2)	-7(2)

Table 5. Hydrogen coordinates ($\times 10^4$) and isotropic displacement parameters ($\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^{-3}$) for **4d**.

	x	y	z	U(eq)
H(2A)	7642	2933	4752	49
H(3A)	8273	1781	5044	48
H(4A)	8980(30)	1867(12)	6950(20)	58
H(5A)	7132	2409	7430	64
H(6A)	4838	2040	4732	56
H(6B)	6048	1624	5011	56
H(8A)	6940	1239	3252	64
H(9A)	6275	659	1895	74
H(11A)	2552	986	2353	79
H(12A)	3239	1562	3705	69
H(13A)	4246	-70	59	163
H(13B)	5302	-132	990	163
H(13C)	5328	416	271	163
H(13D)	2597	208	144	166
H(13E)	2552	875	438	166
H(13F)	2049	398	1170	166
H(14A)	5332	3003	3904	54
H(14B)	5156	2531	3035	54
H(16A)	5921	3851	3041	57
H(17A)	7288	4357	2060	60
H(19A)	9191	2877	1580	55
H(20A)	7840	2381	2568	51
H(21A)	9664	4620	416	143
H(21B)	9000	4736	1427	143
H(21C)	8142	4524	452	143
H(22A)	10790	1758	5672	56
H(22B)	11478	2097	4827	56
H(24A)	10047	823	5269	70
H(25A)	9417	101	4137	76

H(27A)	9662	1224	1866	57
H(28A)	10279	1941	3018	55
H(29A)	8924	-153	902	152
H(29B)	10065	307	1092	152
H(29C)	8590	515	1018	152
H(30A)	10692	2778	6157	55
H(30B)	9454	3140	5725	55
H(32A)	9585	3445	3845	62
H(33A)	10835	3969	2806	66
H(35A)	13985	3672	4714	65
H(36A)	12722	3154	5743	60
H(37A)	13508	4611	1867	112
H(37B)	12157	4693	2341	112
H(37C)	12440	4112	1757	112
