

Phase-Transfer Catalytic Aza-Michael Addition of *tert*-Butyl benzyloxycarbamate to Electron-Deficient Olefins

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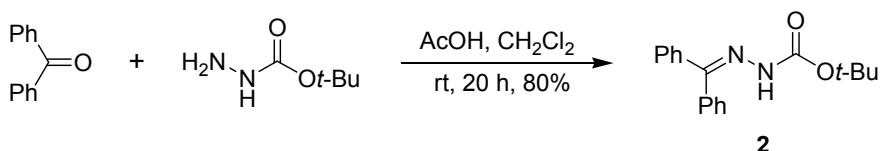
I. General methods

Infrared (IR) spectra were recorded on a JASCO FT/IR-300E and Perkin-Elmer 1710 FT spectrometer. Nuclear magnetic resonance (¹H-NMR and ¹³C-NMR) spectra were measured on a JEOL JNM-LA 300 [300 MHz (¹H), 75 MHz (¹³C)] spectrometer, JEOL JNM-GSX 400 [400 MHz (¹H), 100 MHz (¹³C)] spectrometer, and Bruker AMX 500 [500 MHz (¹H), 125 MHz (¹³C)] spectrometer, using DMSO-*d*₆ or CHCl₃-*d* as a solvent, and were reported in ppm relative to DMSO (δ 2.50) or CHCl₃ (δ 7.24) for ¹H-NMR and relative to the central DMSO-*d*₆ (δ 39.51) or CHCl₃-*d* (δ 77.23) resonance for ¹³C-NMR. Coupling constants (*J*) in ¹H-NMR are in Hz. Low-resolution mass spectra (MS) were recorded on a VG Trio-2 GC-MS spectrometer, and high-resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were measured on a JEOL JMS-AX 505wA, JEOL JMS-HX 110A spectrometer. For thin-layer chromatography (TLC) analysis, Merck precoated TLC plate (silica gel 60 GF₂₅₄, 0.25 mm) were used. For flash column chromatography, E. Merck Kieselgel 60 (70~230 mesh) was used. All solvents and commercially available chemicals were used without additional purification.

II. Synthetic procedure and Characterization of new compounds

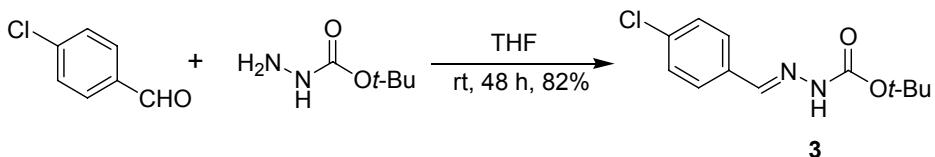
II-1. Preparation of New Substrates

tert-Butyl 2-(diphenylmethylene)hydrazinecarboxylate (**2**).



To a solution of *tert*-butyl carbazate (1.00 g, 7.57 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ were added benzophone (1.65 g, 9.08 mmol) and acetic acid (0.52 mL, 9.08 mmol) under argon atmosphere, and the resulting solution was stirred at room temperature. After 20 h, the mixture was neutralized by the addition of a solution of NaHCO₃. The organic layer was separated, and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂. The combined organic layer and extracts were dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated. The residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexanes:EtOAc = 10:1) to afford **2** (1.80 g, 80% yield) as a white solid. m.p. 148 °C; ¹H-NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d₆): δ 8.60 (s, 1H), 7.60–7.51 (m, 3H), 7.42–7.34 (m, 5H), 7.27–7.24 (m, 2H), 1.41 (s, 9H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d₆): δ 152.1, 150.0, 129.5, 128.4, 128.3, 126.8, 80.0, 27.9 ppm; IR (neat): ν 3357, 2977, 1746, 1480, 1367, 1321, 1229, 1156, 1065, 869, 766, 699 cm⁻¹; MS (FAB⁺): *m/z* 297 [M+H]⁺; HRMS (FAB⁺): calcd for C₁₈H₂₁N₂O₂ [M+H]⁺ 297.1603, found: 297.1607.

tert-Butyl 2-(4-chlorobenzyl)hydrazinecarboxylate (**3**).



To a stirred solution of 4-chlorobenzaldehyde (2.00 g, 14.23 mmol) in THF was added a solution of *tert*-butyl carbazate (2.26 g, 17.07 mmol) in THF at room temperature. After stirring for 48 h, EtOAc and water were added, and the organic layer was separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc, and the combined organic layer was dried over MgSO₄, concentrated. The residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexanes:EtOAc = 10:1) to give **3** (2.99 g, 82% yield) as a white solid. m.p. 171 °C; ¹H-NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-d₆): δ 10.97 (s, 1H), 7.97 (s, 1H), 7.62–7.59 (m, 2H), 7.46–7.44 (m, 2H), 1.45 (s, 9H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d₆): δ

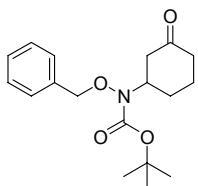
152.3, 141.8, 133.7, 133.5, 128.8, 128.1, 79.5, 28.0 ppm; IR (neat,): ν 3222, 2979, 1705, 1538, 1489, 1367, 1252, 1163, 1090, 1057, 869, 825, 759 cm^{-1} ; MS (FAB $^+$): m/z 255 [M+H] $^+$; HRMS (FAB $^+$): calcd for C₁₂H₁₆ClN₂O₂ [M+H] $^+$ 255.0900, found 255.0896.

II-2. Aza-Michael Reaction

General Procedure

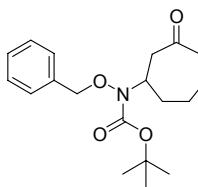
To a solution of *tert*-butyl benzyloxycarbamate (**5**, 2.0 equiv.) and tetra-*n*-butylammonium bromide (0.1 equiv.) was added 50% KOH (1.2 equiv.) and enone (**6**, 1.0 equiv.) successively. The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature until the starting enone disappeared on TLC. After the reaction was completed, EtOAc and brine were added to the reaction mixture. The organic layer was separated, and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc. The combined organic solution was dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated. The residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography to afford the aza-Michael adduct **7**.

tert-Butyl benzyloxy(3-oxocyclohexyl)carbamate (**7a**)



Colorless oil. ¹H-NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.39–7.29 (m, 5H), 4.80 (s, 2H), 4.22–4.11 (m, 1H), 2.69–2.60 (m, 1H), 2.49–2.43 (m, 1H), 2.32–2.12 (m, 2H), 2.06–1.82 (m, 3H), 1.60–1.52 (m, 1H), 1.49 (s, 9H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 208.9, 156.3, 135.0, 129.2, 128.5, 128.3, 81.8, 78.5, 58.1, 44.6, 40.3, 28.1, 27.8, 21.8 ppm; IR (neat): ν 2970, 1710, 1455, 1370, 1322, 1257, 1165, 1113, 856, 750, 700 cm^{-1} ; MS (FAB $^+$): m/z 320 [M+H] $^+$; HRMS (FAB $^+$): calcd for C₁₈H₂₆NO₄ [M+H] $^+$ 320.1862, found 320.1865.

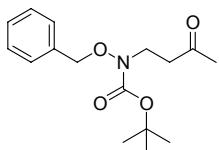
tert-Butyl benzyloxy(3-oxocycloheptyl)carbamate (**7b**)



Colorless oil. ¹H-NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.39–7.31 (m, 5H), 4.81 (dd, J =9.54, 12.27 Hz, 2H), 4.12 (s, 1H), 3.00 (dd, J =11.37, 14.46 Hz, 1H), 2.61–2.34 (m, 3H),

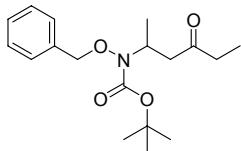
2.01–1.79 (m, 4H), 1.62–1.35 (m, 2H), 1.50 (s, 9H) ppm; ^{13}C -NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 211.6, 156.8, 135.3, 129.2, 128.5, 128.4, 81.9, 78.5, 57.4, 47.6, 43.8, 34.4, 28.2, 27.1, 23.8 ppm; IR (neat): ν 2932, 1702, 1454, 1369, 1256, 1163, 1070, 856, 748, 700 cm^{-1} ; MS (FAB^+): m/z 334 [M+H] $^+$; HRMS (FAB $^+$): calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{27}\text{NO}_4$ [M+H] $^+$ 334.2018, found: 334.2028.

***tert*-Butyl benzyloxy(3-oxobutyl)carbamate (7c)**



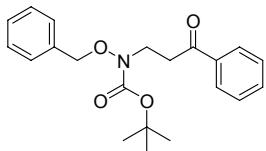
Colorless oil. ^1H -NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.37–7.28 (m, 5H), 4.77 (s, 2H), 3.68 (d, $J=6.9$ Hz, 2H), 2.65 (t, $J=6.9$ Hz, 2H), 2.09 (s, 3H), 1.47 (s, 9H) ppm; ^{13}C -NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 207.0, 156.3, 135.2, 129.4, 128.5, 128.3, 81.5, 76.7, 44.5, 40.7, 30.1, 28.2 ppm; IR (neat): ν 2926, 1712, 1367, 1252, 1162, 1104, 1028, 857, 750, 700 cm^{-1} ; MS (FAB^+): m/z 294 [M+H] $^+$; HRMS (FAB $^+$): calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{24}\text{NO}_4$ [M+H] $^+$ 294.1750, found: 294.1703.

***tert*-Butyl benzyloxy(4-oxohexan-2-yl)carbamate (7d)**



Colorless oil. ^1H -NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.40–7.28 (m, 5H), 4.80 (s, 2H), 4.55–4.43 (m, 1H), 2.62 (m, 2H), 2.38 (q, $J=7.32$ Hz, 2H), 1.49 (s, 9H), 1.19 (d, $J=6.78$ Hz, 3H), 1.00 (t, $J=7.32$ Hz, 3H) ppm; ^{13}C -NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 209.2, 156.8, 135.5, 129.3, 128.4, 128.3, 81.6, 78.2, 52.3, 46.2, 36.1, 28.2, 17.5, 7.6 ppm; IR (neat): ν 2977, 2936, 1712, 1455, 1368, 1318, 1167, 1104, 1018, 856, 750, 700 cm^{-1} ; MS (FAB^+): m/z 322 [M+H] $^+$; HRMS (FAB $^+$): calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{28}\text{NO}_4$ [M+H] $^+$ 322.2018, found: 322.2028.

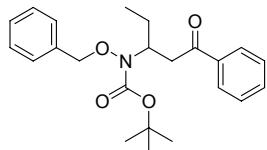
***tert*-Butyl benzyloxy(3-oxo-3-phenylpropyl)carbamate (7e)**



Colorless oil. ^1H -NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.89–7.86 (m, 2H), 7.55–7.27 (m, 8H), 4.83 (s, 2H), 3.86 (t, $J=7.20$ Hz, 2H), 3.20 (t, $J=7.20$ Hz, 2H), 1.48 (s, 9H) ppm; ^{13}C -

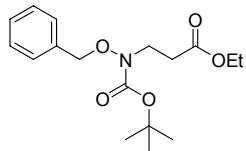
NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 198.4, 156.4, 136.6, 135.4, 133.1, 129.5, 128.5, 128.4, 128.0, 81.6, 76.8, 45.2, 35.8, 28.2 ppm; IR (neat): ν 2928, 1689, 1451, 1367, 1252, 1212, 1161, 1095, 856, 745, 696 cm⁻¹; MS (FAB⁺): *m/z* 356 [M+H]⁺; HRMS (FAB⁺): calcd for C₂₁H₂₆NO₄ [M+H]⁺ 356.1862, found: 356.1869.

***tert*-Butyl benzyloxy(1-oxo-1-phenylpentan-3-yl)carbamate (7f)**



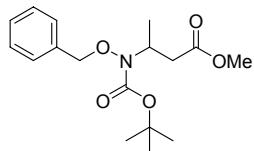
Colorless oil. ¹H-NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.90–7.87 (m, 2H), 7.56–7.27 (m, 8H), 4.85 (s, 2H), 4.52–4.47 (m, 1H), 3.26–3.03 (m, 2H), 1.83–1.53 (m, 2H), 1.47 (s, 9H), 0.97 (t, *J*=7.32 Hz, 3H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 198.0, 157.0, 136.8, 135.8, 133.0, 129.2, 128.5, 128.3, 128.1, 81.4, 78.4, 58.6, 41.5, 28.2, 25.3, 11.1 ppm; IR (neat): ν 2967, 1702, 1454, 1367, 1322, 1256, 167, 1115, 856, 752, 696 cm⁻¹; MS (FAB⁺): *m/z* 384 [M+H]⁺; HRMS (FAB⁺): calcd for C₂₃H₃₀NO₄ [M+H]⁺ 384.2175, found: 384.2165.

Ethyl 3-[benzyloxy(*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)amino]propanoate (7g)



Colorless oil. ¹H-NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.38–7.31 (m, 5H), 4.80 (s, 2H), 4.07 (q, *J*=7.14 Hz, 2H), 3.71 (t, *J*=7.14 Hz, 2H), 2.55 (t, *J*=7.14 Hz, 2H), 1.47 (s, 9H), 1.19 (t, *J*=7.14 Hz, 3H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 171.6, 156.3, 135.2, 129.4, 128.5, 128.3, 81.6, 76.9, 60.4, 45.4, 32.1, 28.2, 14.0 ppm; IR (neat): ν 2978, 1733, 1453, 1369, 1253, 1161, 1096, 1024, 856, 749, 700 cm⁻¹; MS (FAB⁺): *m/z* 324 [M+H]⁺; HRMS (FAB⁺): calcd for C₁₇H₂₆NO₅ [M+H]⁺ 324.1811, found: 324.1805.

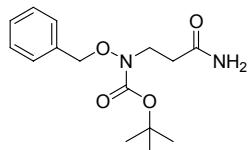
Methyl 3-[benzyloxy(*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)amino]butanoate (7h)



Colorless oil. ¹H-NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.38–7.26 (m, 5H), 4.77 (s, 2H), 3.81–3.50 (m, 2H), 3.57 (s, 3H), 2.86–2.75 (m, 1H), 1.47 (s, 9H), 1.12 (d, *J*=7.14 Hz, 3H)

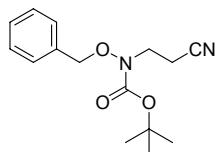
ppm; ^{13}C -NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 175.3, 156.1, 135.2, 129.3, 128.4, 128.2, 81.4, 76.5, 51.8, 51.6, 37.9, 28.1, 14.6 ppm; IR (neat): ν 2976, 1736, 1456, 1368, 1249, 1167, 857, 751, 700, 616 cm^{-1} ; MS (FAB $^+$): m/z 324 [M+H] $^+$; HRMS (FAB $^+$): calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{26}\text{NO}_5$ [M+H] $^+$ 324.1811, found: 324.1813.

***tert*-Butyl 3-amino-3-oxopropyl(benzyloxy)carbamate (7i)**



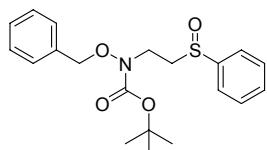
White solid. m.p. 189 °C; ^1H -NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.39–7.29 (m, 5H), 5.82 (s, 1H), 5.64 (s, 1H), 4.81 (s, 2H), 3.73 (t, $J=6.77$ Hz, 2H), 2.46 (t, $J=6.77$ Hz, 2H), 1.47 (s, 9H) ppm; ^{13}C -NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 173.4, 156.4, 135.1, 129.5, 128.6, 128.4, 81.9, 76.9, 45.6, 33.4, 28.2 ppm; IR (neat): ν 3346, 2976, 2673, 1450, 1369, 1292, 1252, 1162, 1024, 855, 750, 700 cm^{-1} ; MS (FAB $^+$): m/z 295 [M+H] $^+$; HRMS (FAB $^+$): calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{23}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4$ [M+H] $^+$ 295.1658, found: 295.1654.

***tert*-Butyl benzyloxy(2-cyanoethyl)carbamate (7j)**



Colorless oil. ^1H -NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.40–7.30 (m, 5H), 4.85 (s, 2H), 3.62 (t, $J=6.87$ Hz, 2H), 2.50 (t, $J=6.87$ Hz, 2H), 1.49 (s, 9H) ppm; ^{13}C -NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 156.0, 135.0, 129.4, 128.7, 128.5, 117.6, 82.5, 77.4, 45.9, 28.0, 15.6 ppm; IR (neat): ν 2977, 1705, 1454, 1369, 1253, 1216, 1162, 1104, 1022, 854, 750, 700 cm^{-1} ; MS (FAB $^+$): m/z 277 [M+H] $^+$; HRMS (FAB $^+$): calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{21}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3$ [M+H] $^+$ 277.1552, found: 277.1559.

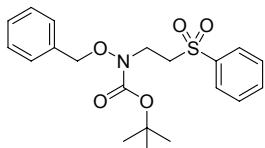
***tert*-Butyl benzyloxy[2-(phenylsulfinyl)ethyl]carbamate (7k)**



Colorless oil. ^1H -NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.59–7.47 (m, 5H), 7.36–7.30 (m, 5H), 4.82 (d, $J=2.91$ Hz, 2H), 3.93–3.84 (m, 1H), 3.62–3.53 (m, 1H), 3.07–2.98 (m, 1H), 2.94–2.85 (m, 1H), 1.46 (s, 9H) ppm; ^{13}C -NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 156.1, 143.3,

135.0, 131.0, 129.4, 129.2, 128.6, 128.4, 123.9, 82.1, 77.0, 53.9, 43.3, 28.1 ppm; IR (neat): ν 3741, 2926, 1704, 1251, 1369, 1285, 1157, 1044, 749, 685 cm^{-1} ; MS (FAB $^{+}$): m/z 376 [M+H] $^{+}$; HRMS (FAB $^{+}$): calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{26}\text{NO}_4\text{S}$ [M+H] $^{+}$ 376.1583, found: 376.1578.

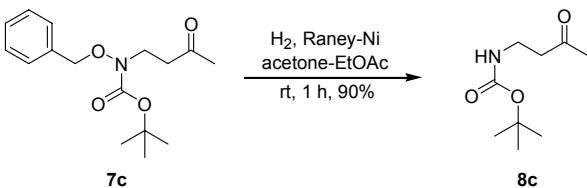
tert-Butyl benzyloxy[2-(phenylsulfonyl)ethyl]carbamate (7l)



Colorless oil. $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (300 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.86–7.84 (m, 2H), 7.66–7.51 (m, 3H), 7.32–7.30 (m, 5H), 4.73 (s, 2H), 3.70–4.07 (m, 2H), 3.30–3.25 (m, 2H), 1.42 (s, 9H) ppm; $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 155.9, 138.8, 135.0, 133.8, 129.4, 129.3, 128.6, 128.4, 127.9, 82.2, 77.1, 52.3, 43.9, 28.0 ppm; IR (neat): ν 2927, 1705, 1449, 1368, 1315, 1152, 1085, 1000, 749, 694, 616 cm^{-1} ; MS (FAB $^{+}$): m/z 391 [M]; HRMS (FAB $^{+}$): calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{25}\text{NO}_5\text{S}$ [M] 391.1435, found: 391.1451.

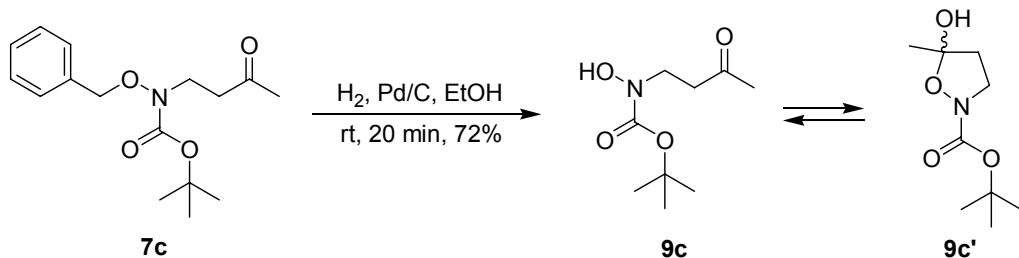
II-3. Deprotection of the Aza-Michael Adduct

tert-Butyl 3-oxobutylcarbamate (8c)



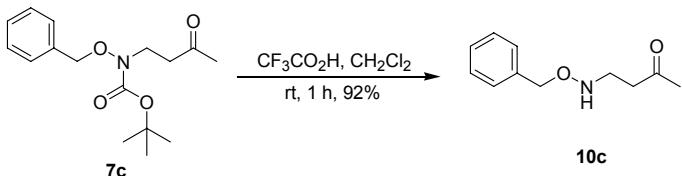
To a solution of **7c** (64 mg, 0.218 mmol) in EtOAc (1 mL) was added a catalytic amount of acetone-washed (5×1 mL) Raney-Ni (4200; slurry in water; active catalyst; Aldrich). The reaction mixture was stirred under hydrogen atmosphere at room temperature. After stirring for 1 h, the mixture was filtered through Celite pad, and washed with EtOAc. The filtrate and washings were combined and concentrated. The residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexanes:EtOAc = 3:1) to afford **8c** (37 mg, 90% yield) as colorless oil. $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (300 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 4.95 (br s, 1H), 3.31 (m, 2H), 2.63 (t, $J=5.85$ Hz, 2H), 2.12 (s, 3H), 1.39 (s, 9H) ppm; $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 208.13, 155.84, 79.27, 43.49, 35.17, 30.14, 28.35 ppm; IR (neat): ν 3365, 2976, 2931, 1712, 1518, 1455, 1366, 1275, 1251, 1168, 866 cm^{-1} ; MS (FAB $^{+}$): m/z 210 [M+Na] $^{+}$; HRMS (FAB $^{+}$): calcd for $\text{C}_9\text{H}_{17}\text{NO}_3\text{Na}$ [M+Na] $^{+}$ 210.1106, found: 210.1109.

tert-Butyl hydroxyl(3-oxobutyl)carbamate (9c)



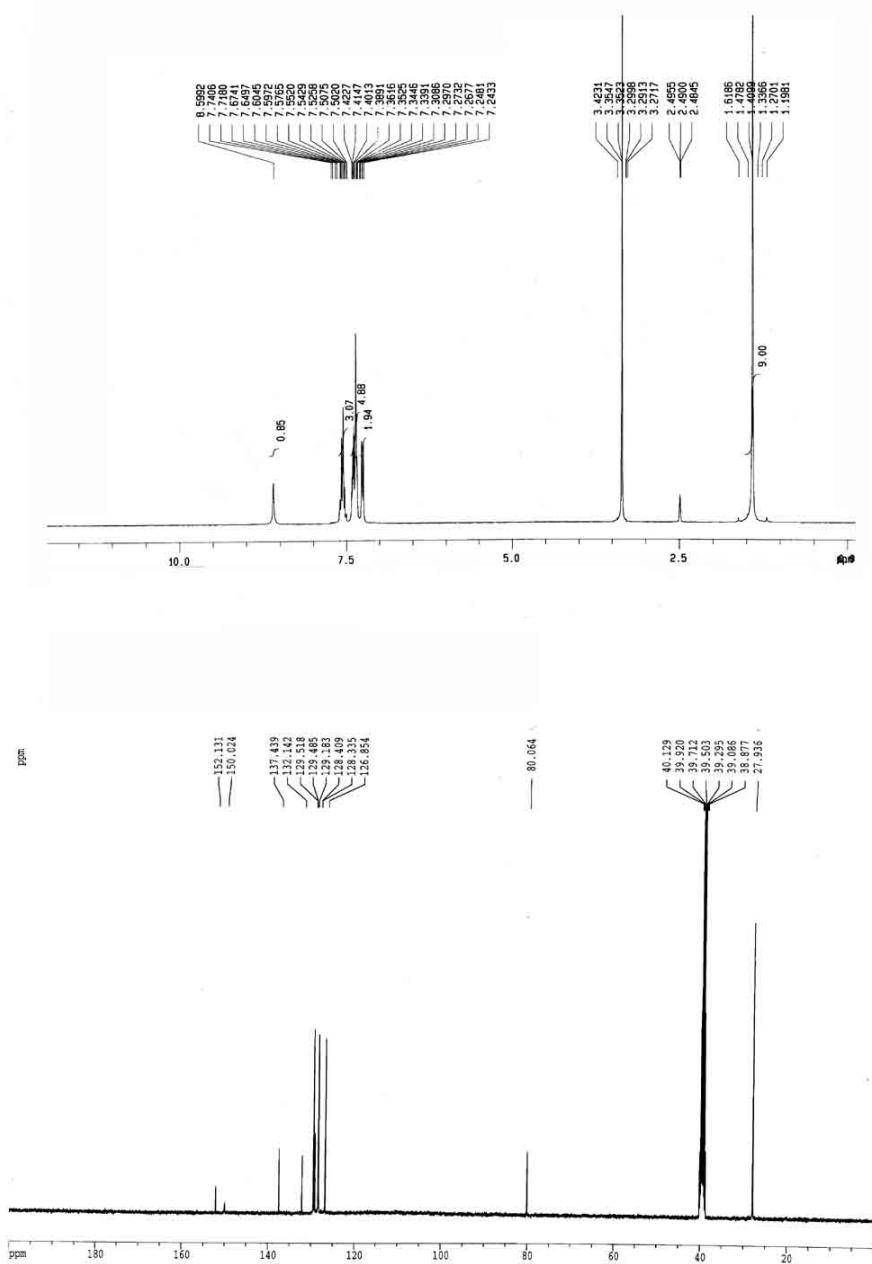
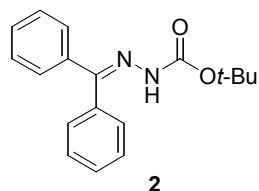
To a solution of **7c** (52 mg, 0.177 mmol) in EtOH was added a catalytic amount of Pd/C (10% on activated carbon). The reaction mixture was stirred under hydrogen atmosphere at room temperature. After stirring for 20 min, the reaction mixture was filtered through Celite pad, and washed with EtOH. The filtrate and washings were combined and concentrated. The residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexanes:EtOAc = 3:1) to afford **9c** (25 mg, 72% yield) as colorless oil. ¹H-NMR (300 MHz, C₆D₆): δ 8.06 (br s, 1H), 3.83 (t, J=6.78 Hz, 2H), 2.43 (t, J=6.78 Hz, 2H), 1.63 (s, 3H), 1.42 (s, 9H) ppm, [Minor Lactol (**9c'**) δ 5.0 (br, 1H), 3.92–4.02 (m, 1H), 3.25–3.31 (m, 1H), 1.97–2.03 (m, 1H), 1.58 (s, 3H), 1.53–1.58 (m, 1H), 1.42 (s, 9H) ppm]; ¹³C-NMR (75 MHz, C₆D₆): δ 205.6, 157.2, 81.3, 47.7, 40.6, 29.5, 28.2 ppm, [Minor Lactol (**9c'**) δ 159.9, 105.1, 81.3, 45.9, 39.3, 27.9, 23.1 ppm]; MS (FAB⁺): m/z 226 [M+Na]⁺; HRMS (FAB⁺): calcd for C₉H₁₈NO₄ [M+H]⁺ 204.1236, found: 204.1243.

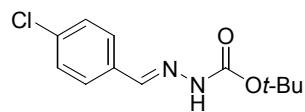
4-(Benzylxymino)butan-2-one (10c)



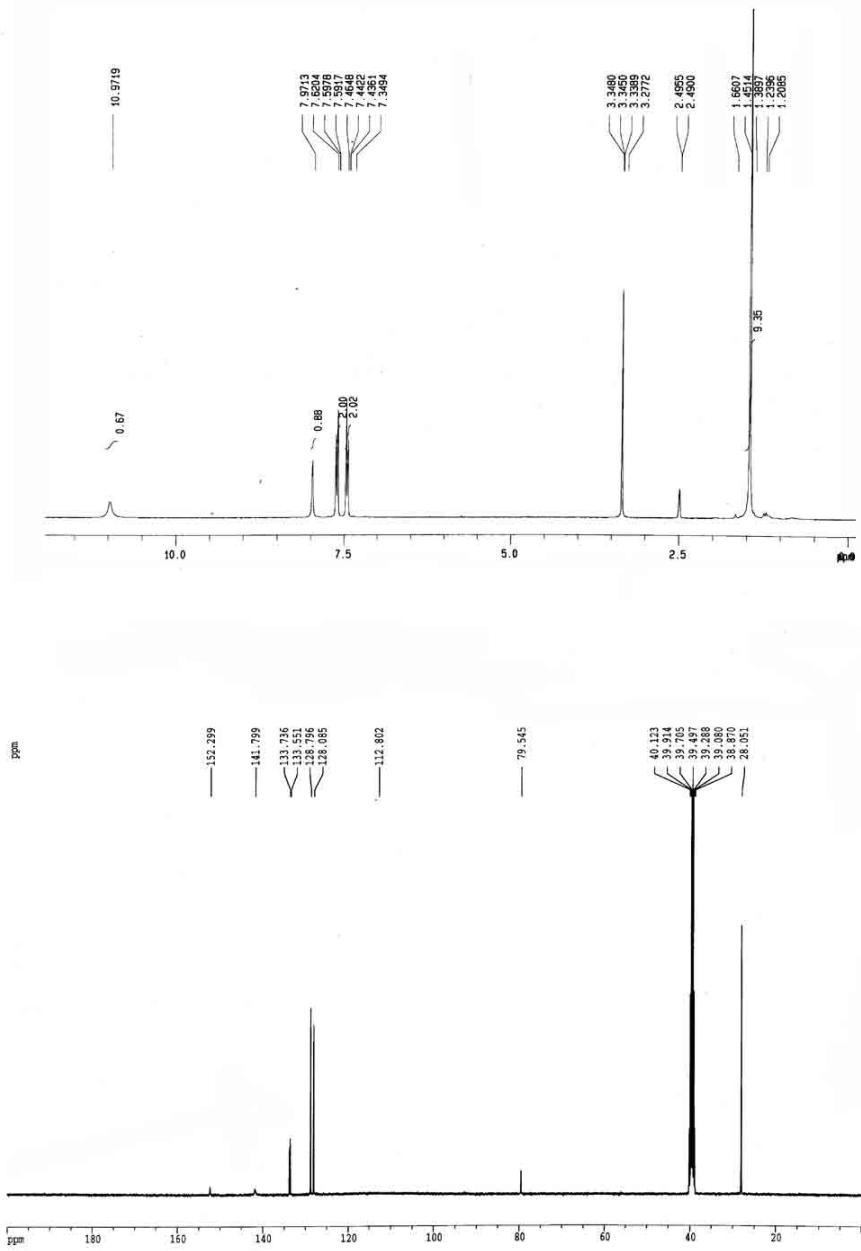
To a solution of **7c** (64 mg, 0.218 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (1 mL) was added trifluoroacetic acid (0.5 mL) in water bath. After stirring for 1 h at room temperature, the reaction mixture was diluted with CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL), washed with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ solution (2×1 mL) and then back-extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (2×5 mL). The combined organic layer was dried and concentrated to afford **9c** (39 mg, 92% yield) as colorless oil. ¹H-NMR (300 MHz, C₆D₆): δ 7.36–7.11(m, 5H), 4.65 (s, 2H), 2.99 (t, J=6.15, 2H), 2.11 (t, J=6.15, 2 H), 1.58 (s, 3H) ¹³C-NMR (75 MHz, C₆D₆): δ 206.0, 138.9, 130.0, 128.7, 128.5, 128.4, 76.2, 47.0, 40.7, 29.4 ppm; MS (FAB⁺): m/z 194 [M+H]⁺; HRMS (CI⁺): calcd for C₁₁H₁₆NO₂ [M+H]⁺ 194.1181, found: 194.1183.

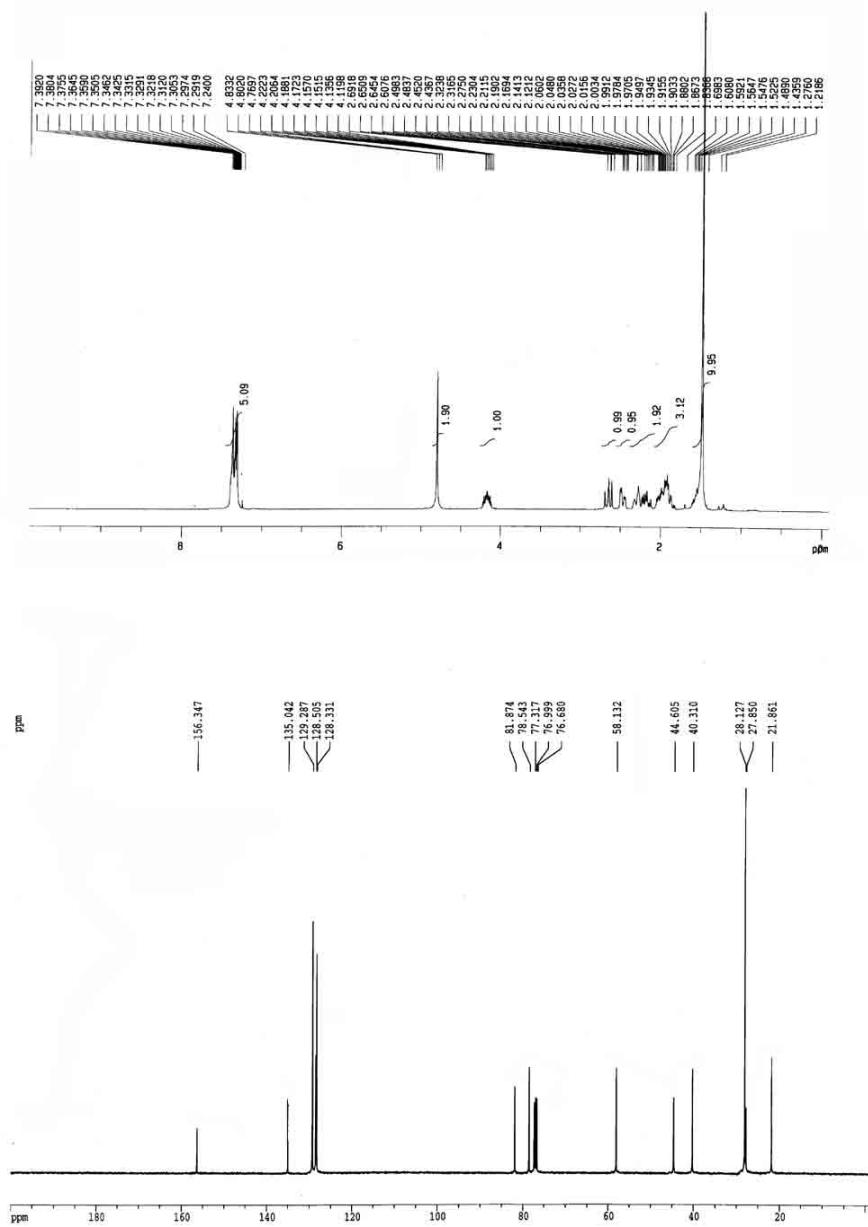
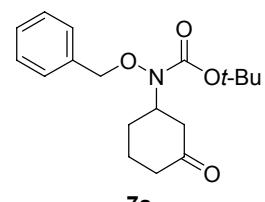
III. ^1H and ^{13}C -NMR spectra of the new compounds

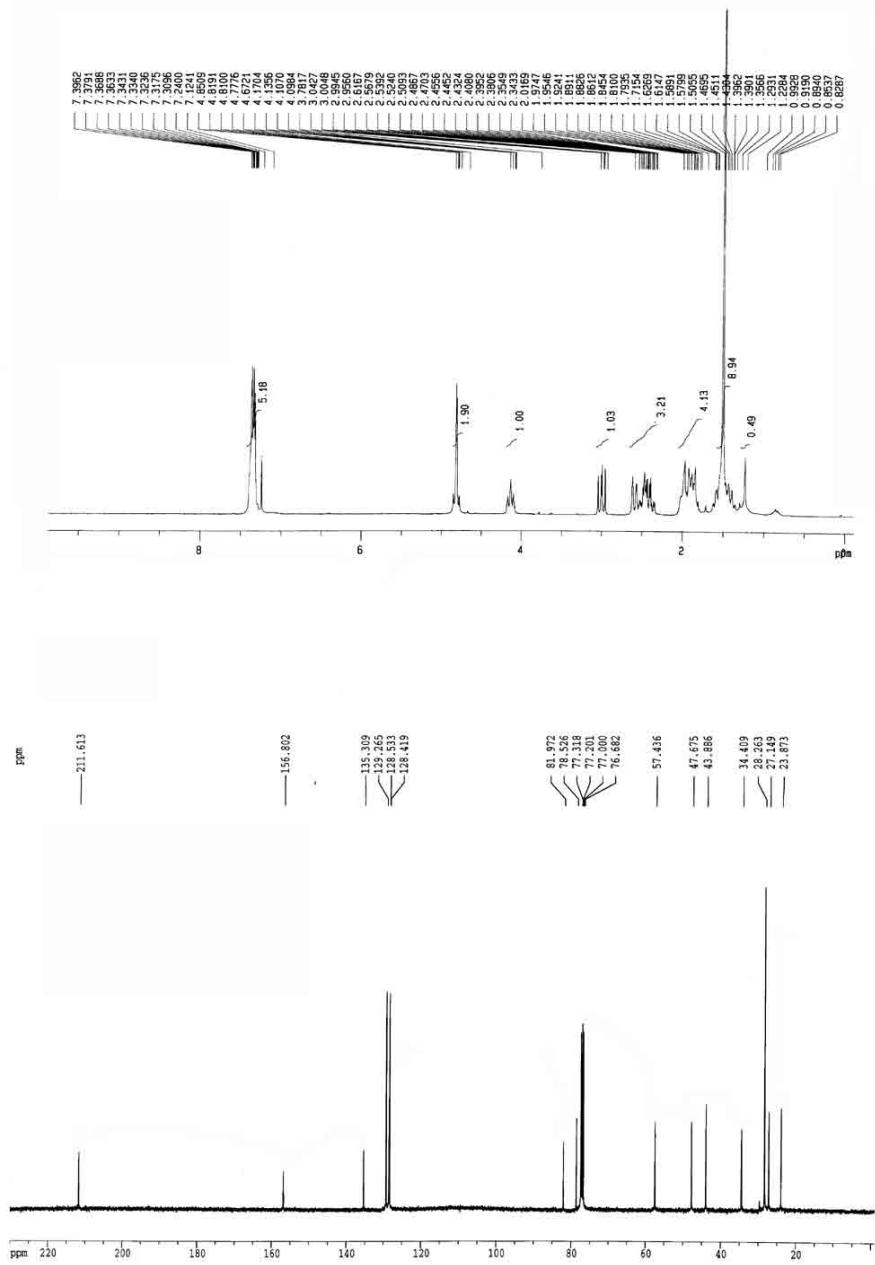
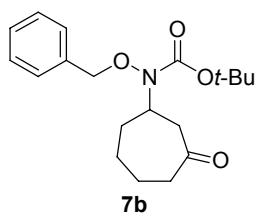


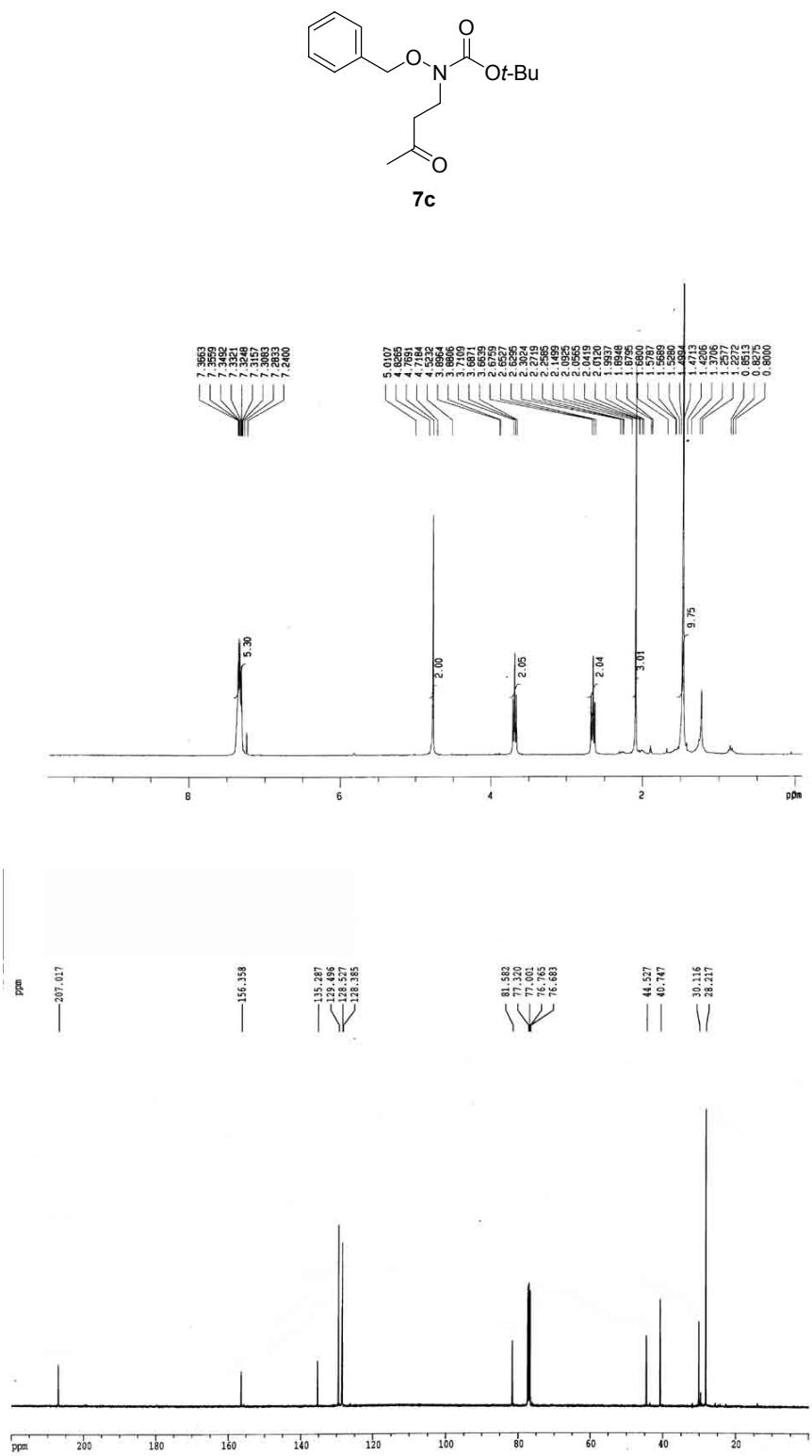


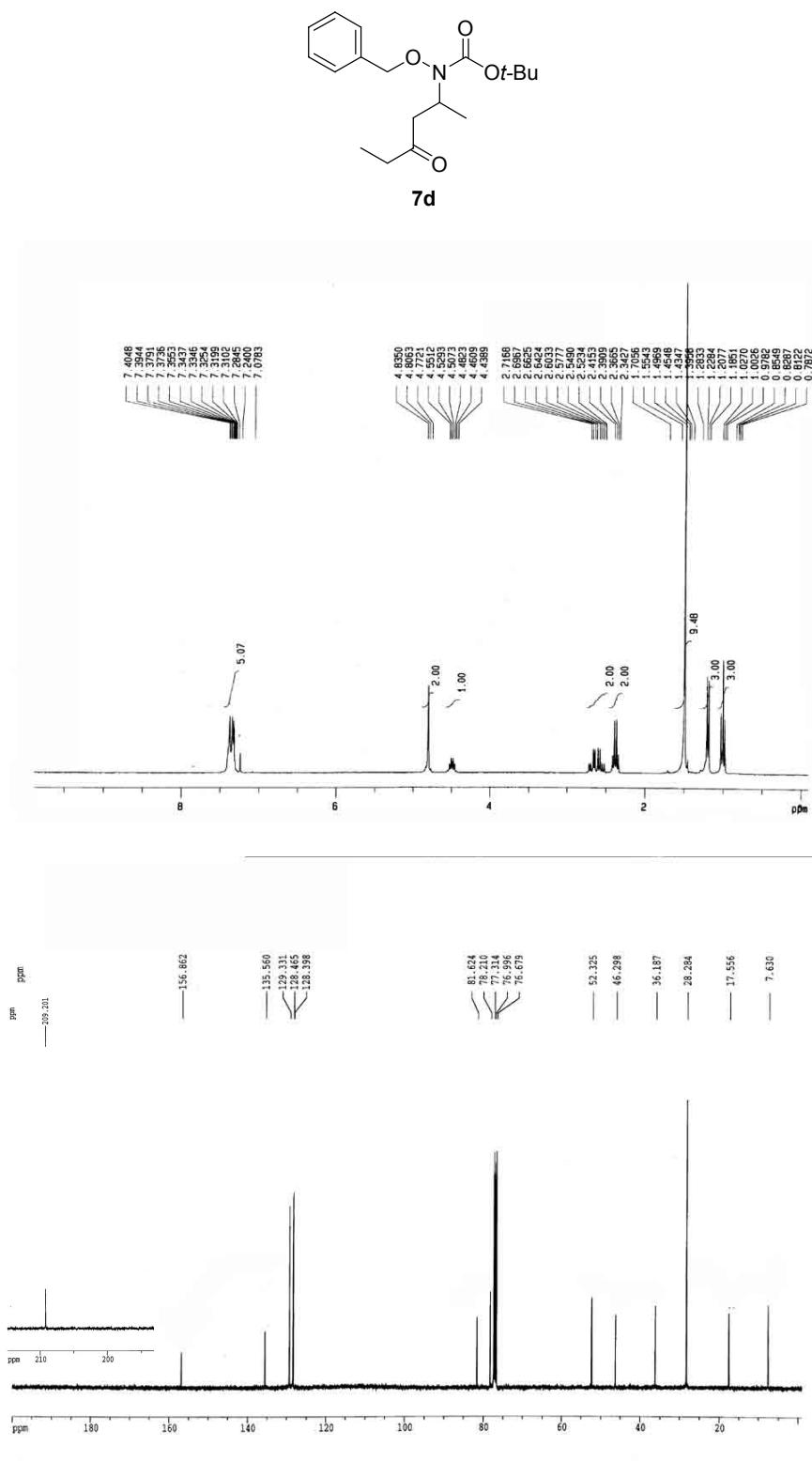
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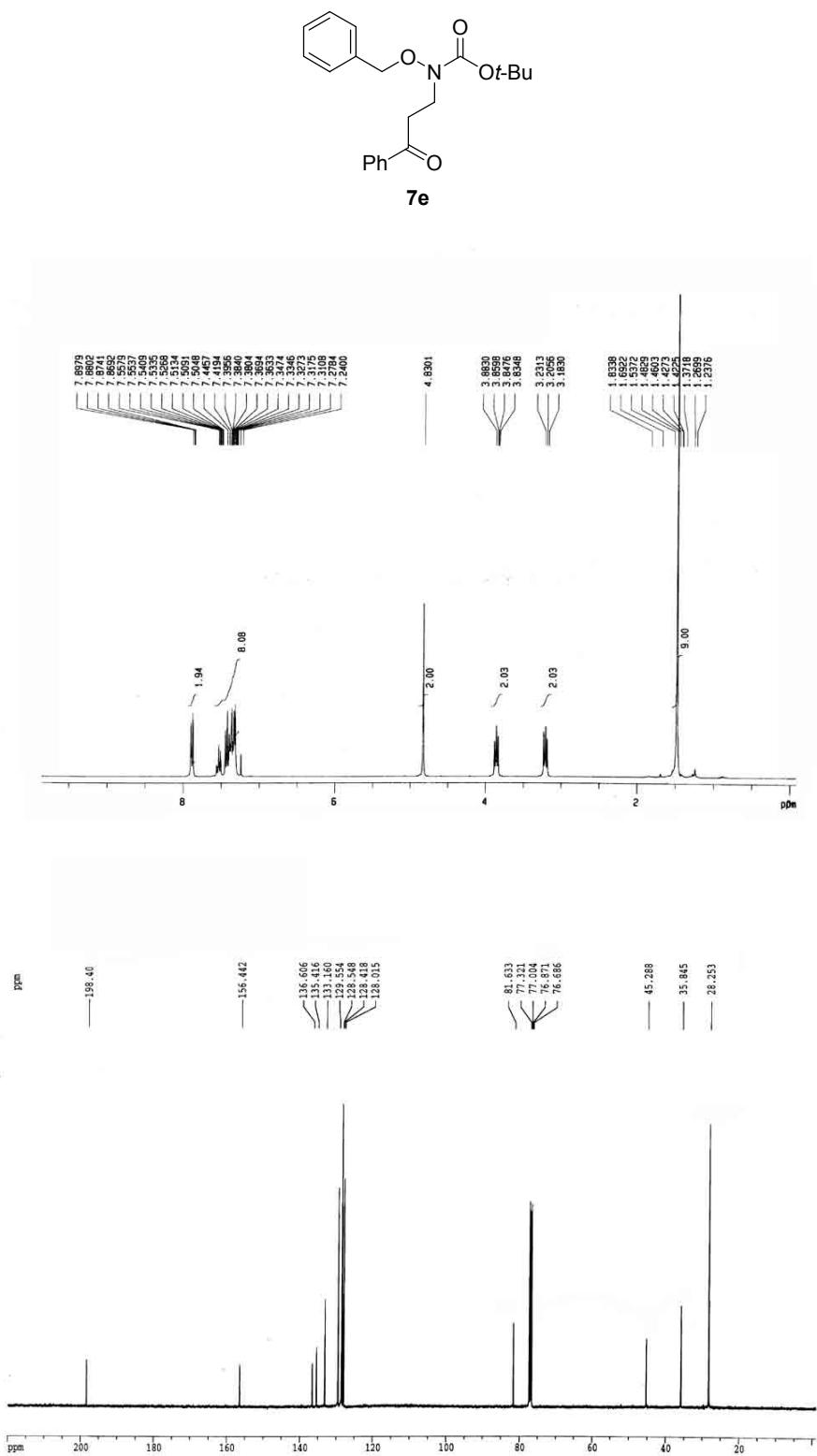


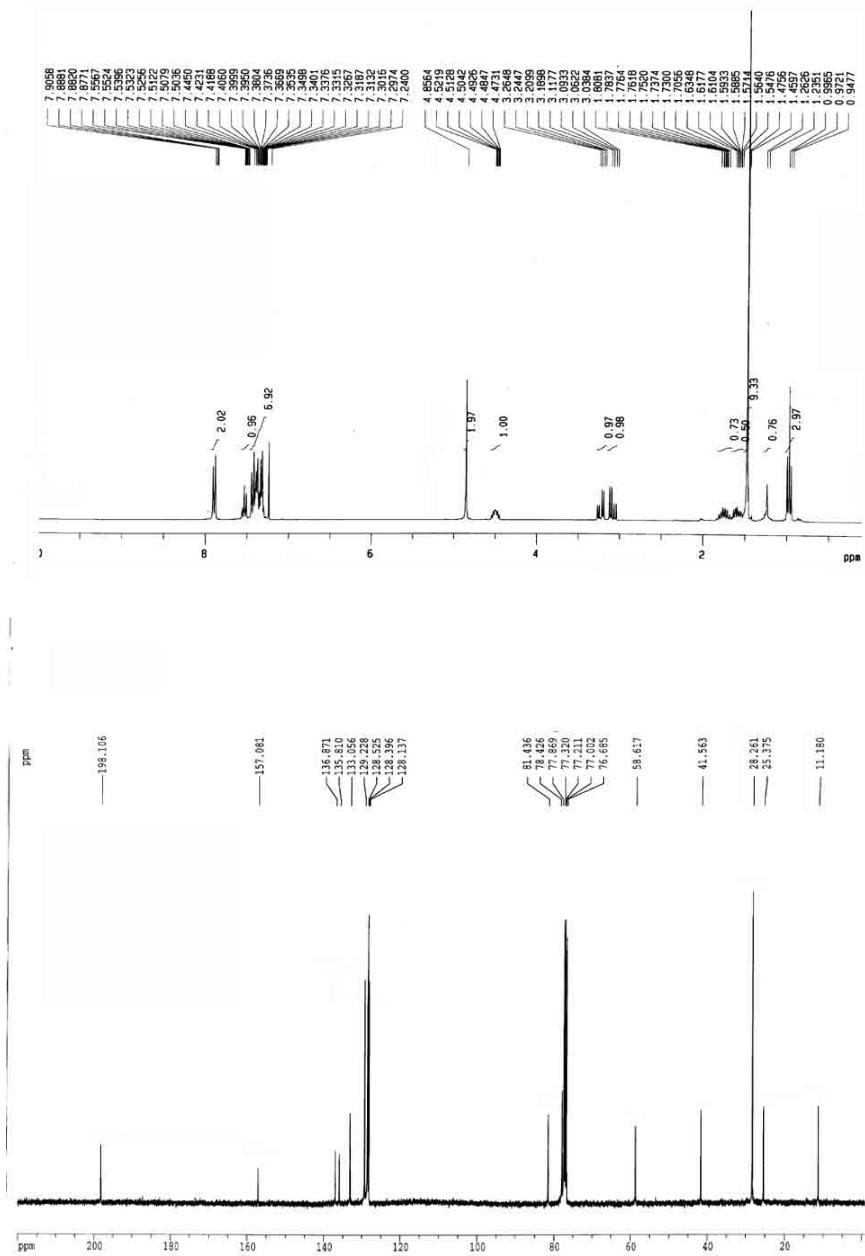
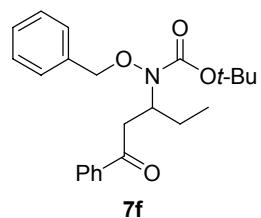


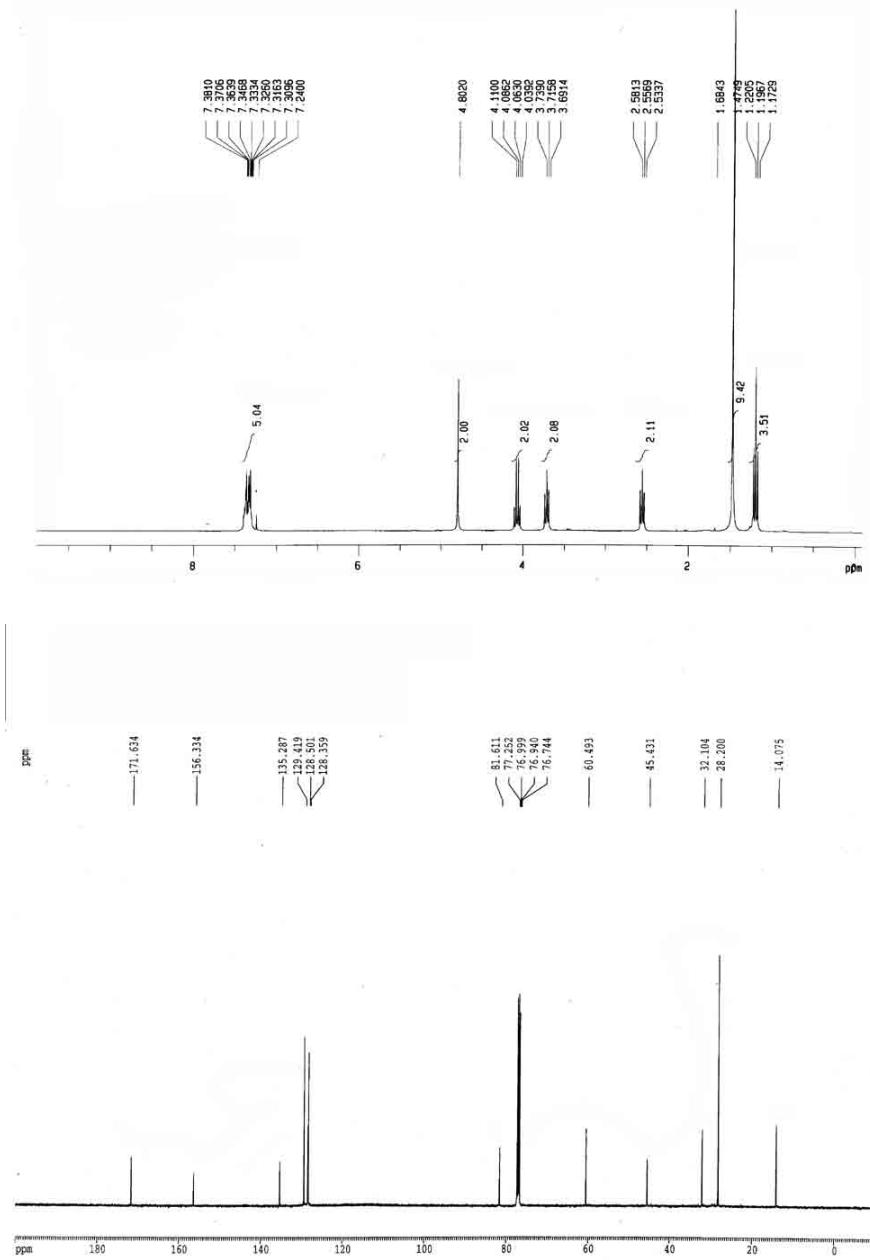
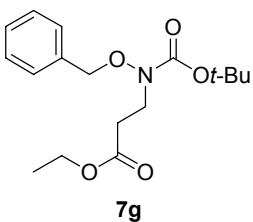


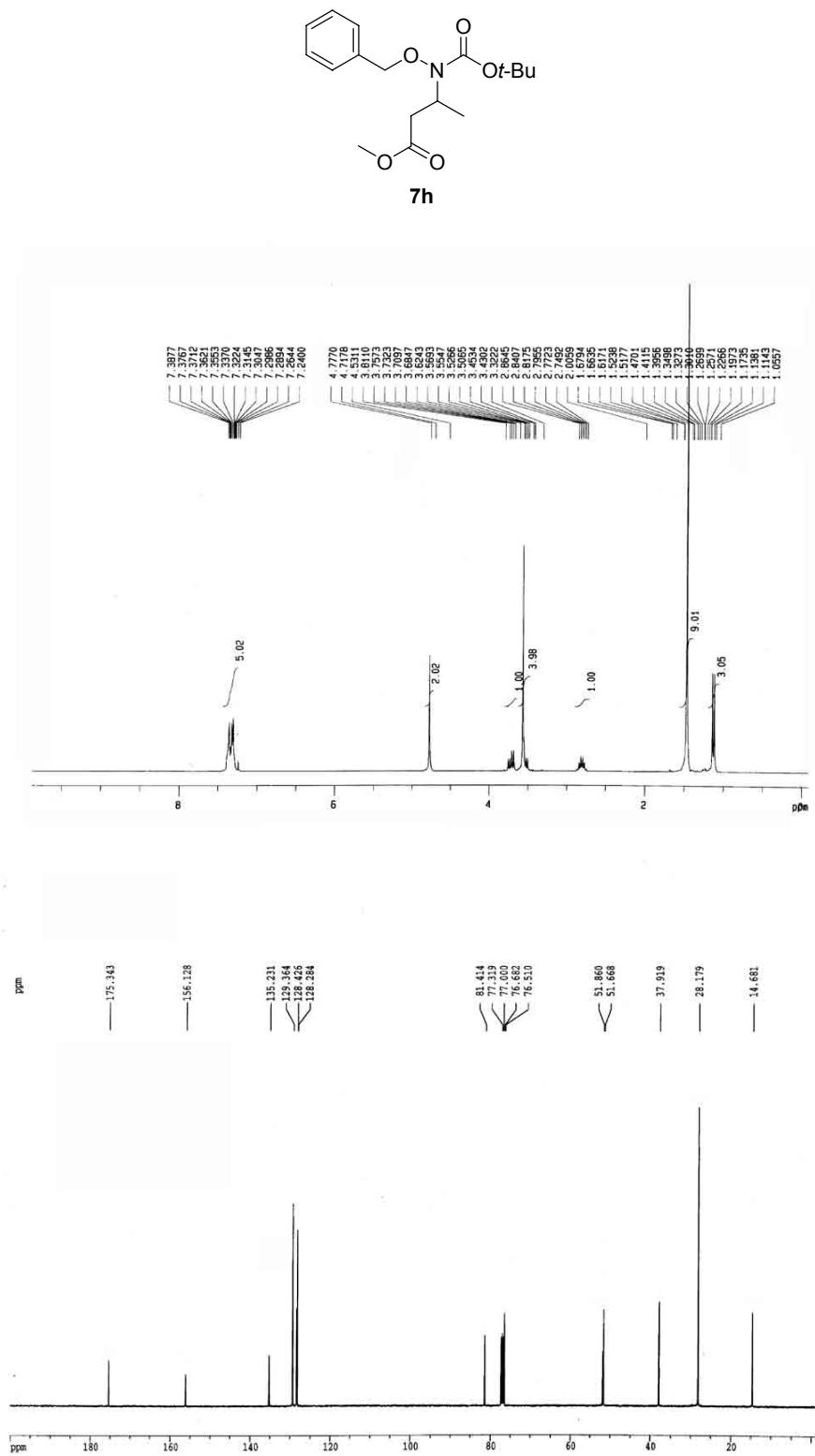


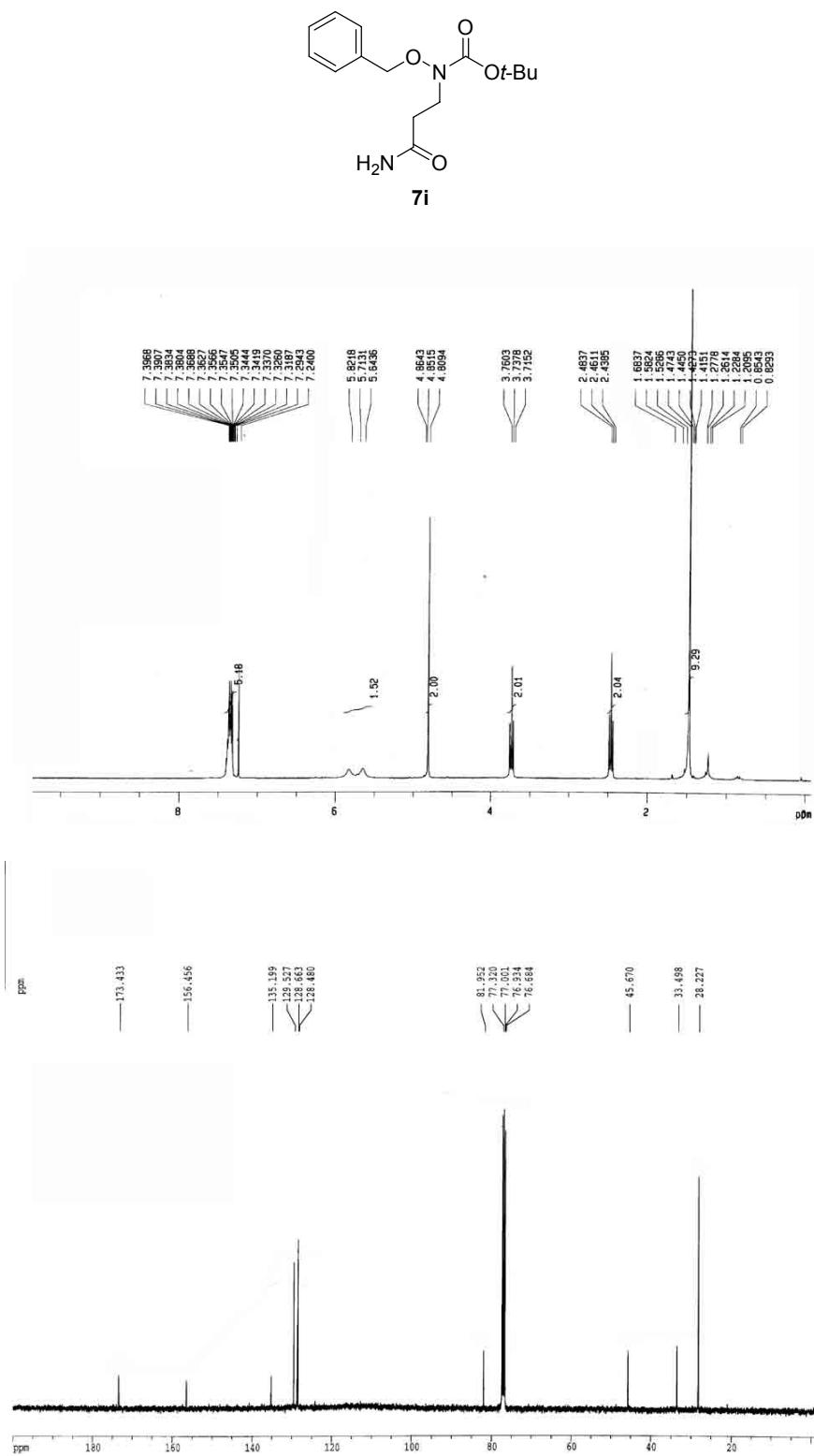


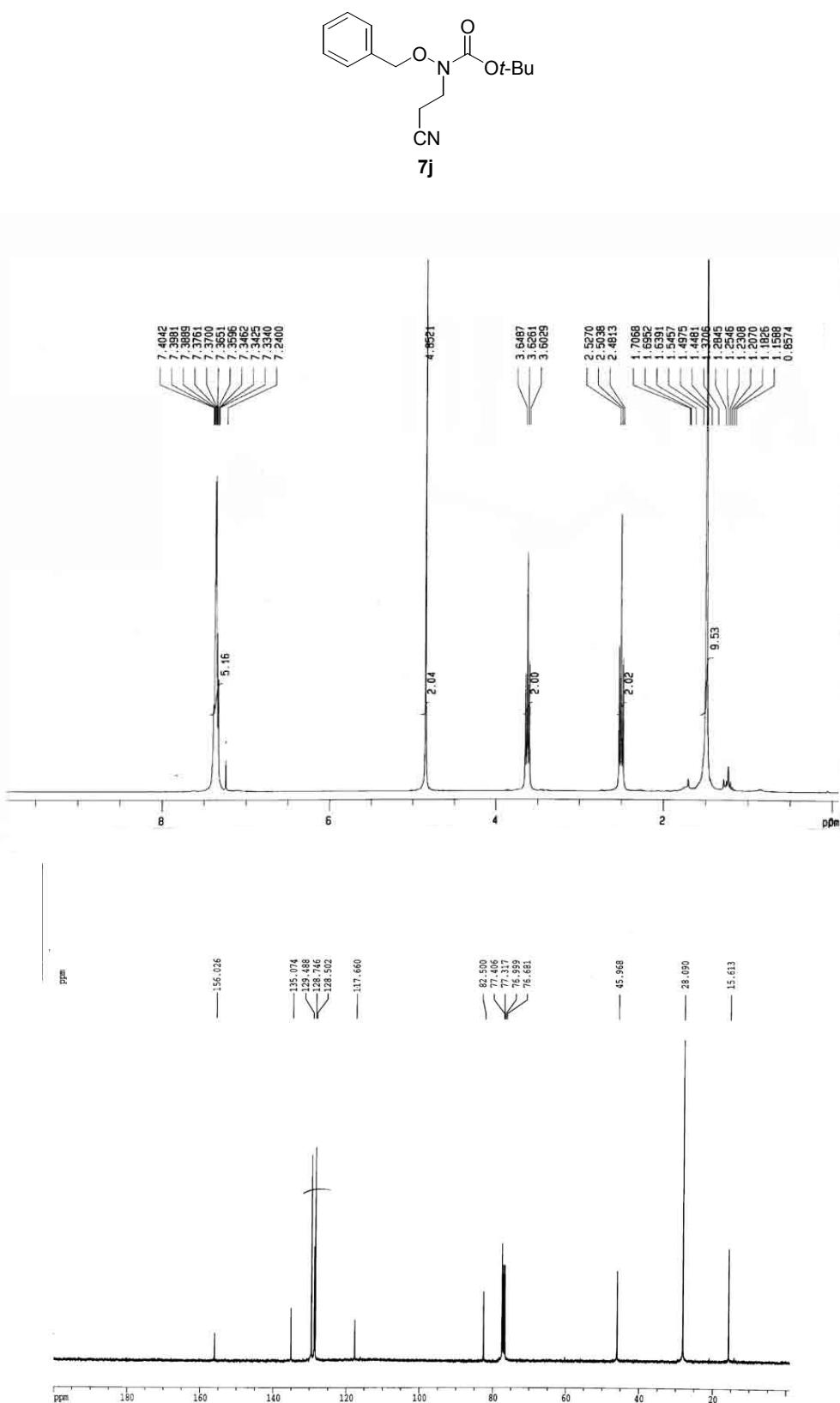


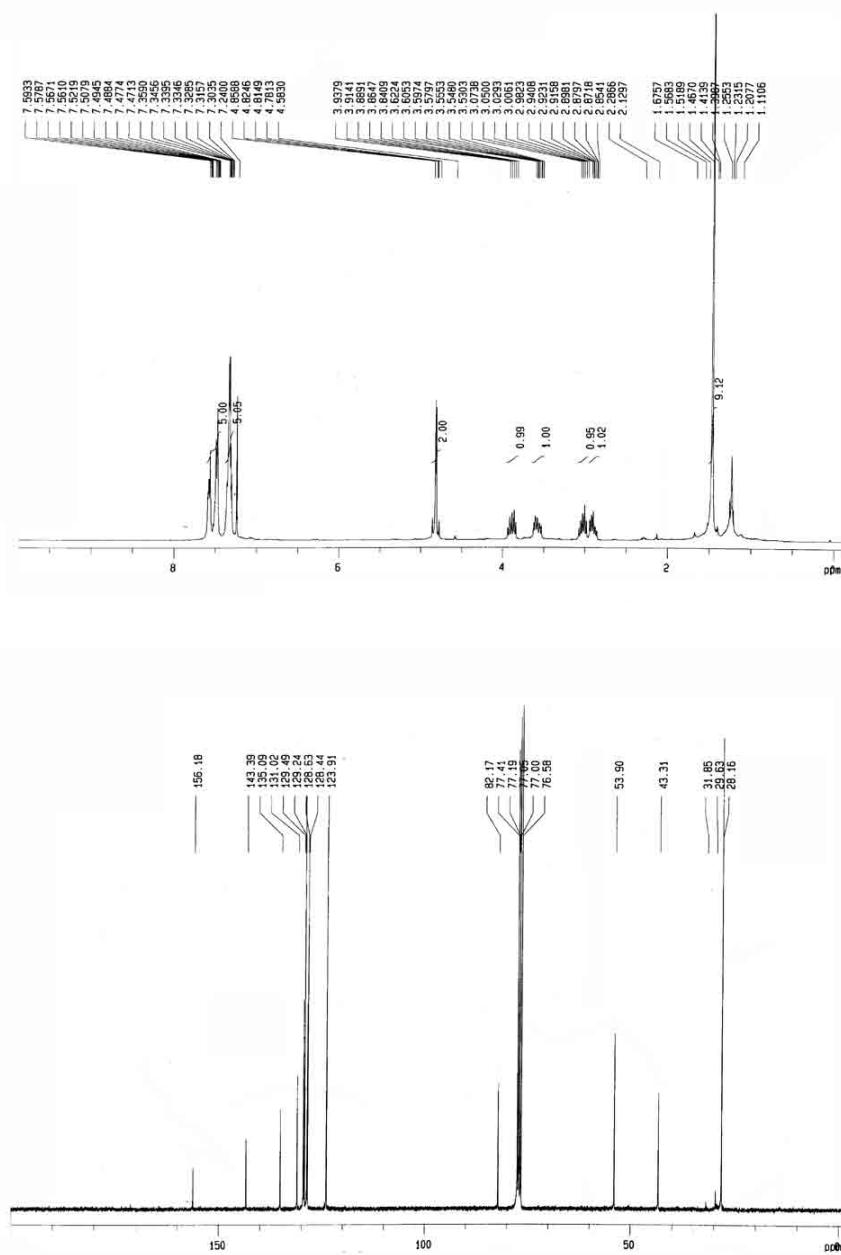
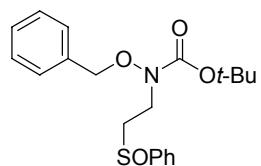


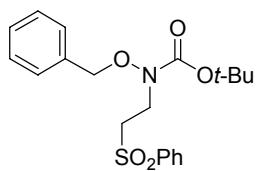




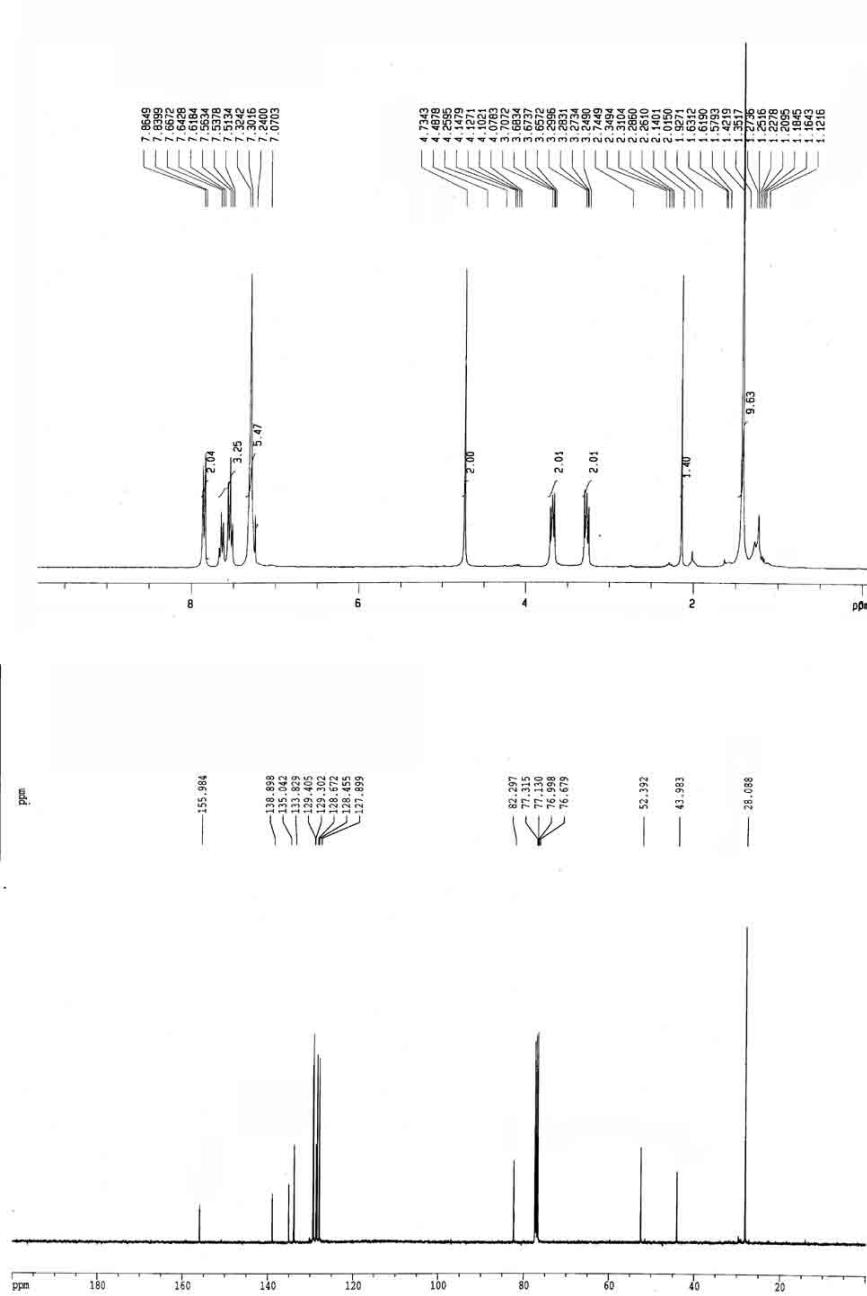


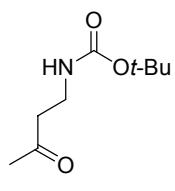




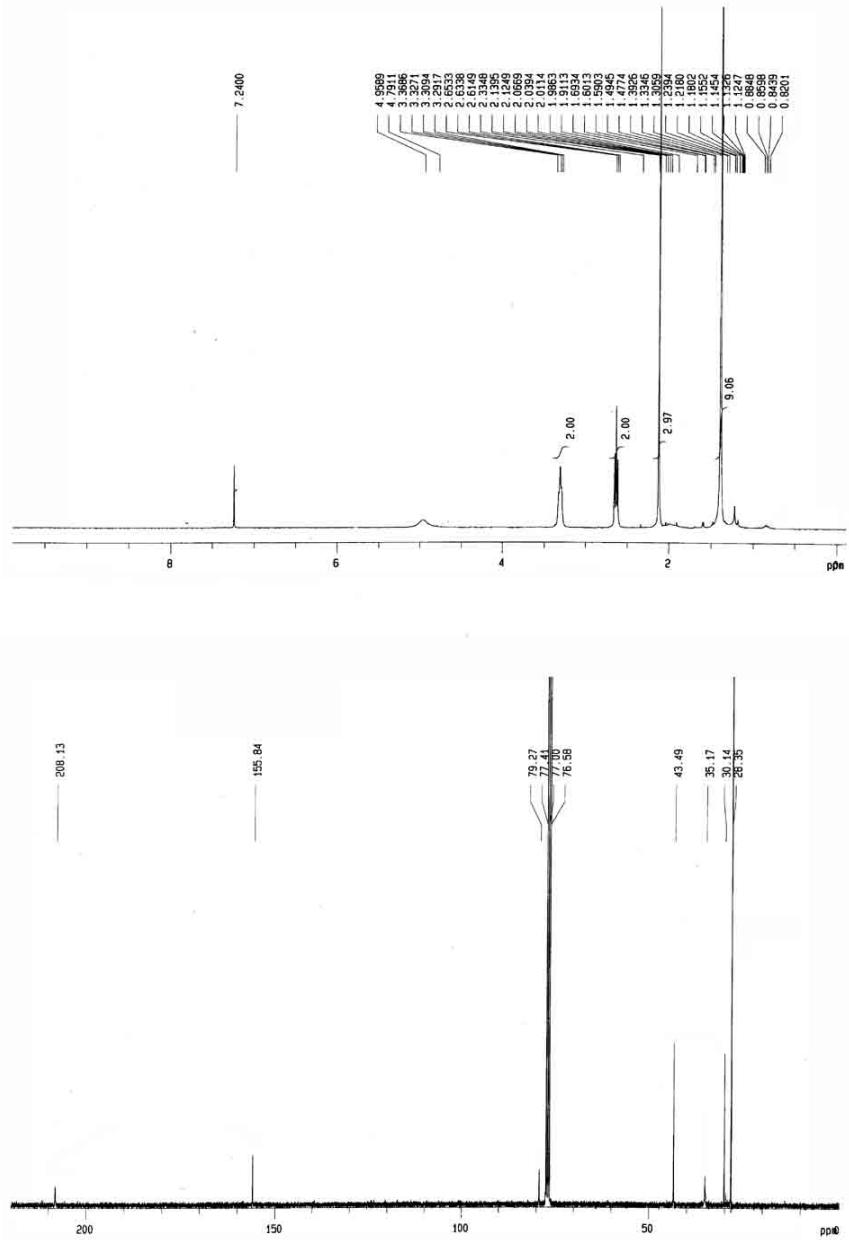


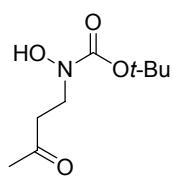
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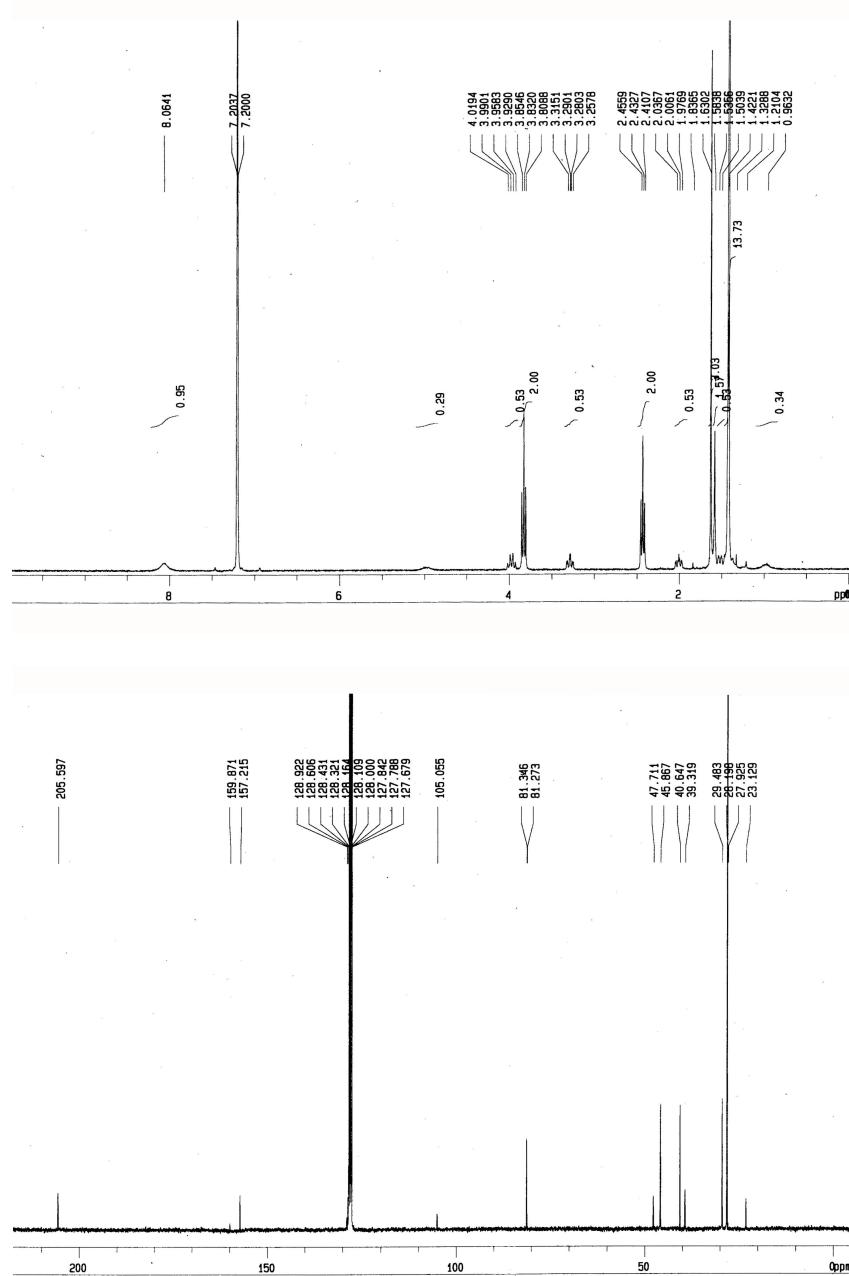


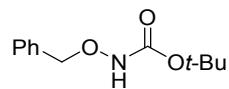
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