

## Electronic Supplementary Information

# Metal-free Intramolecular Oxidative Decarboxylative Amination of Primary $\alpha$ -Amino Acids with Product Selectivity

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## General information

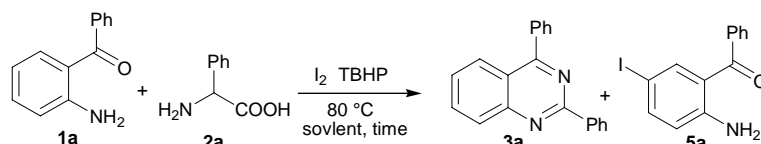
Unless otherwise indicated, all compounds and reagents were purchased from commercial suppliers and used without further purification. All chemical shifts ( $\delta$ ) are given in ppm. NMR spectra were recorded on Bruker AVANCE 300 or NMR spectrometer or Bruker AVANCE III 400 NMR spectrometer. HRMS was recorded on a Micromass UK LTD GCT spectrometer.

## General procedure for the synthesis of quinazolines

**1a** (39.4 mg, 0.2 mmol), **2a** (45.3 mg, 0.3 mmol), I<sub>2</sub> (25.4 mg, 0.1 mmol) and TBHP (55  $\mu$ L of 70 % aqueous solution, 0.4 mmol) in DMA (0.5 mL) were heated at 80 °C for 18 h in a sealed tube. The completion of the reaction was monitored by TLC and purified by column chromatography over silica gel to give the pure product **3a** as a light yellow solid (44 mg, 78 % yield).

## Further optimizing for the reaction conditions

Table ESI-1 Further optimizing for the reaction conditions <sup>a</sup>



Entry	Solvent	Time(h)	Yield(%) <sup>b</sup>	
			3a	5a
1	H <sub>2</sub> O	18	0	85
2	MeOH	18	0	96
3	EtOH	18	0	84
4	<i>i</i> -PrOH	18	0	66
5	THF	18	0	41
6	Et <sub>2</sub> O	18	0	98
7	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	18	0	90
8	DMA	0.5	6	0
9	DMA	1	33	0
10	DMA	2	49	0
11	DMA	4	64	0
12	DMA	6	67	0
13	DMA	12	79	0
14	DMA	18	85	0
15	DMA	36	85	0

<sup>a</sup> Reaction conditions: **1a** (0.2 mmol), **2a** (0.3 mmol), I<sub>2</sub> (0.1 mmol), TBHP (0.4 mmol), solvent (0.5 mL), 80 °C. <sup>b</sup> Determined by GC-MS analysis using an internal standard.

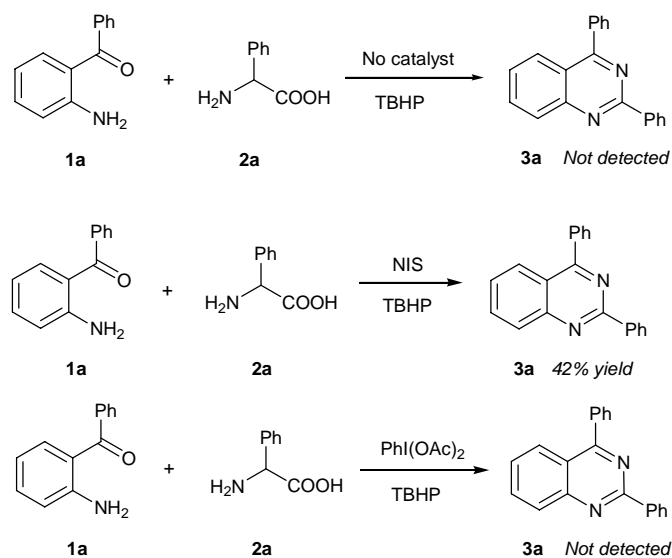
## Further investigation for oxidative decarboxylative coupling

**Table ESI-2** I<sub>2</sub>/(NH<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>8</sub>-mediated oxidative decarboxylative coupling <sup>a</sup>

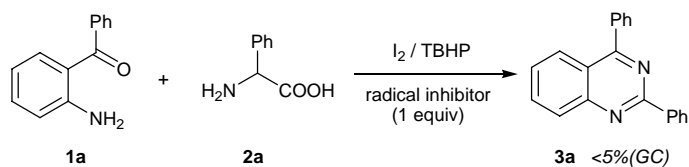
Entry	R <sup>1</sup>	R <sup>2</sup>	R <sup>3</sup>	Product	Yield(%) <sup>b</sup>
1	Ph	H	Ph	<b>3r</b>	45
2	Ph	H	Me	<b>3r</b>	50
3	Ph	H	<i>i</i> -Pr	<b>3r</b>	60
4	4-F-Ph	H	<i>i</i> -Pr	<b>3s</b>	58
5	4-Br-Ph	H	<i>i</i> -Pr	<b>3t</b>	56
6	4-Me-Ph	H	<i>i</i> -Pr	<b>3u</b>	55
7	Ph	5-Cl	<i>i</i> -Pr	<b>3v</b>	65
8	Ph	5-Br	<i>i</i> -Pr	<b>3w</b>	64
9 <sup>c</sup>	Ph	H	<i>i</i> -Pr	<b>4r</b>	50

<sup>a</sup> Reaction conditions: **1** (0.2 mmol), **2** (0.3 mmol), I<sub>2</sub> (0.02 mmol), (NH<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>8</sub> (0.6 mmol), DMA (0.5 mL), 80 °C. <sup>b</sup> isolated yield. <sup>c</sup> 1 equiv. of iodine was used.

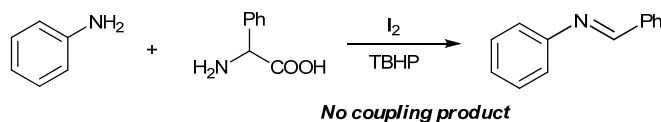
## Control experiments about mechanism



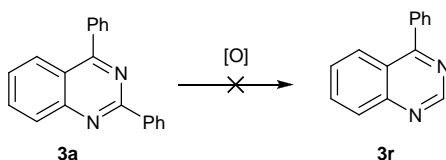
**Scheme ESI-1** The effect of iodine



Scheme ESI-2 Radical trapping experiments



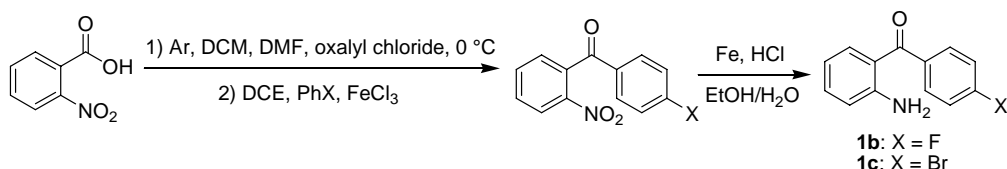
Scheme ESI-3 Intermolecular oxidative decarboxylative coupling of phenylglycine



Scheme ESI-4

## Synthesis of substrates

### Synthesis of 1b and 1c<sup>1</sup>



Scheme ESI-5 Synthesis of 1b and 1c

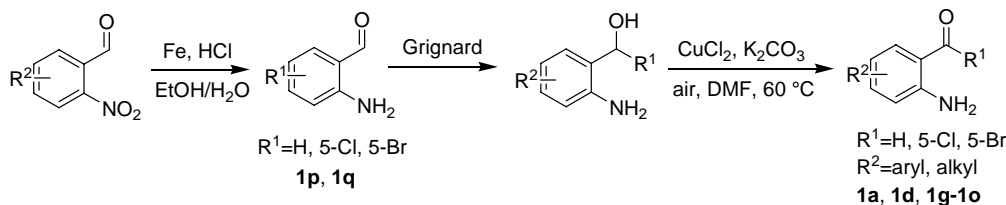
*o*-nitrobenzoic acid (5.014 g, 29.9 mmol) and anhydrous DMF (0.1 mL) were dissolved in dry DCM (105 mL) under argon. After cooling to 0 °C, oxalyl chloride (5.2 mL, 60 mmol) was added slowly. The mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 30 min. Subsequently, the mixture was concentrated to leave the crude acid chloride as a light yellow oil. The oil was directly dissolved in 1, 2-dichloroethane (11.6 mL) and fluorobenzene (4.5 mL, 48 mmol). After cooling to 0 °C, anhydrous iron (III) chloride (5.35 g, 33.0 mmol) was added to the reaction system, and the reaction was stirred at 0 °C for 1 h. Then the reaction mixture was poured into ice-water (60 mL), and heated at 95 °C to remove 1, 2-dichloroethane. When the temperature reached 75 °C, isobutanol (20 mL) was added and the hot solution was washed with water. After cooling to room temperature, the precipitate was collected and washed with water to give the ((4-fluorophenyl)(2-nitrophenyl)methanone as a light brown solid.

Two drops of concentrated HCl were added to the solution of ((4-fluorophenyl)(2-nitrophenyl)methanone (999 mg, 4.0 mmol) in EtOH (12 mL) and water (3 mL) with iron powder (291 mg, 5.2 mmol). The reaction was refluxed at 80 °C for 2 h, filtrated through silica gel and washed with EtOAc. The filtrate was extracted with EtOAc for three times,

washed with brine and dried over  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ . The organic phase was concentrated in vacuum and purified by chromatographic column on silica gel, giving (2-aminophenyl)(4-fluorophenyl)methanone (**1b**) as a light yellow solid.

**1c** was synthesized according to the procedure for **1b**.

### Synthesis of **1a**, **1d**, **1g-1q**



**Scheme ESI-6** Synthesis of **1a**, **1d**, **1g-1q**

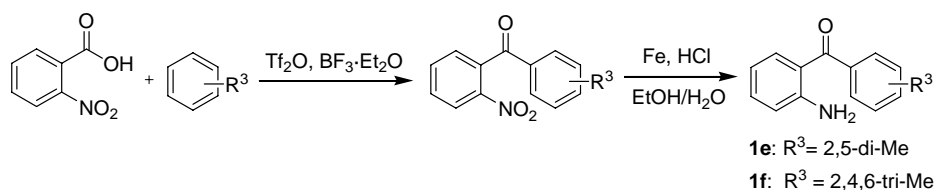
2-aminobenzaldehyde was synthesized with 2-nitrobenzaldehyde according to the procedure for (2-aminophenyl)(4-fluorophenyl)methanone.

Subsequently, phenylmagnesium bromide (51.6 mL, 1 M in THF, 51.6 mmol) was added to the solution of 2-aminobenzaldehyde (1.046 g, 8.6 mmol) in dry  $\text{Et}_2\text{O}$  (20 mL) dropwise. After the completion, the reaction was quenched with saturated  $\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$  aqueous solution, and extracted with  $\text{Et}_2\text{O}$  for three times. The organic phase was washed with water and brine, and dried over  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ . Then the organic phase was concentrated in vacuum, and purified by chromatographic column on silica gel, giving (2-aminophenyl)(phenyl)methanol as a light yellow solid.

(2-aminophenyl)(phenyl)methanol (426 mg, 2 mmol) was dissolved in DMF (15 mL) with  $\text{CuCl}_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$  (34.1 mg, 0.2 mmol) and  $\text{K}_2\text{CO}_3$  (552 mg, 4 mmol). The mixture was stirred at 60 °C under air for 24 h. Then the reaction mixture was diluted with water, extracted with  $\text{EtOAc}$  for three times, washed with water for three times and brine once, and dried over  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ . The organic phase was concentrated in vacuum, and purified by chromatographic column on silica gel, giving (2-aminophenyl)(phenyl)methanone (**1a**) as a light yellow solid.

**1d**, **1g-1q** were synthesized according to the procedure for **1a**.

### Synthesis of **1e** and **1f**<sup>2</sup>



**Scheme ESI-7** Synthesis of **1e** and **1f**

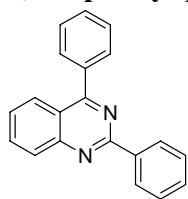
The mixture of 2-nitrobenzoic acid (1.997 g, 12 mmol) and trifluoroacetic anhydride (4 g, 19 mmol) was stirred and cooled in ice bath. Then boron trifluoride-ether (1.701 g, 12 mmol) was added to the solution dropwise. The deep red solution was dropped to *p*-xylene (1.988g, 18.75 mmol) in ice bath, and stirred for 2 h. Then the reaction mixture was poured onto ice and extracted with chloroform. The extract was washed with aqueous sodium hydroxide (40%), dried over  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ , and concentrated to give a white solid. After recrystallization from  $\text{EtOH}$ , (2,5-dimethylphenyl)(2-nitrophenyl)methanone was obtained as white needles.

(2-aminophenyl)(2,5-dimethylphenyl)methanone (**1e**) was obtained according to the procedure for (2-aminophenyl)(4-fluorophenyl)methanone.

**1f** was synthesized according to the procedure for **1e**.

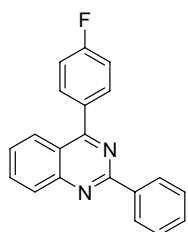
## Characterization data for the products

### 2,4-diphenylquinazoline (3a)<sup>3</sup>



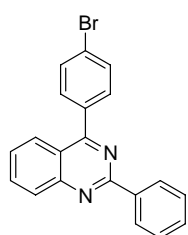
A light yellow solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 8.72-8.68 (m, 2 H), 8.15 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1 H), 7.92-7.86 (m, 3 H), 7.61-7.50 (m, 7 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 168.3, 160.3, 152.1, 138.3, 137.8, 133.6, 130.6, 130.3, 130.0, 129.3, 128.8, 128.6, 127.0, 121.8. HRMS calc. C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>14</sub>N<sub>2</sub>: 282.1157, found: 282.1155.

### 4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-phenylquinazoline (3b)<sup>3</sup>



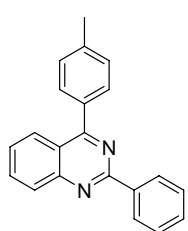
A light yellow solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 8.70-8.66 (m, 2 H), 8.15 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1 H), 8.08 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.92-7.86 (m, 3 H), 7.58-7.49 (m, 4 H), 7.31-7.24 (m, 2 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 167.2, 164.1 (d, *J* = 248.8 Hz), 160.3, 152.2, 138.2, 133.9 (d, *J* = 3.3 Hz), 133.7, 132.3 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 130.7, 129.4, 128.8, 128.7, 127.2, 126.8, 121.7, 115.8 (d, *J* = 21.5 Hz). HRMS calc. C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>13</sub>FN<sub>2</sub>: 300.1063, found: 300.1060.

### 4-(4-bromophenyl)-2-phenylquinazoline (3c)<sup>3</sup>



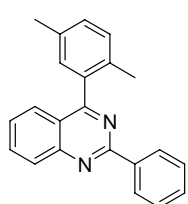
A light yellow solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 8.69-8.65 (m, 2 H), 8.16 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1 H), 8.06 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.92-7.86 (m, 1 H), 7.79-7.71 (m, 4 H), 7.59-7.49 (m, 4 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 167.2, 160.3, 152.2, 138.1, 136.7, 133.8, 131.90, 131.86, 130.7, 129.4, 128.8, 128.7, 127.3, 126.6, 124.7, 121.5. HRMS calc. C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>13</sub>BrN<sub>2</sub>: 360.0262, found: 360.0261.

### 2-phenyl-4-*p*-tolylquinazoline (3d)<sup>3</sup>



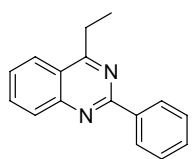
A white solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 8.71-8.68 (m, 2 H), 8.13 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2 H), 7.87-7.77 (m, 3 H), 7.52-7.47 (m, 4 H), 7.38 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2 H), 2.48 (s, 3 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 168.4, 160.3, 152.1, 140.3, 138.4, 135.0, 133.5, 130.5, 130.3, 129.4, 129.3, 128.8, 128.6, 127.2, 127.0, 121.8, 21.6. HRMS calc. C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>16</sub>N<sub>2</sub>: 296.1313, found: 296.1311.

### 4-(2,5-dimethylphenyl)-2-phenylquinazoline (3e)<sup>3</sup>



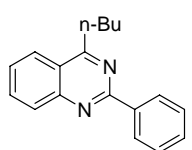
A light yellow solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 8.67-8.64 (m, 2 H), 8.14 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.88-7.85 (m, 1 H), 7.70-7.67 (m, 1 H), 7.52-7.48 (m, 4 H), 7.28-7.21 (m, 3 H), 2.40 (s, 3 H), 2.16 (s, 3 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 170.2, 160.5, 151.6, 138.4, 137.0, 135.3, 133.8, 133.4, 130.7, 130.6, 130.2, 130.1, 129.1, 128.9, 128.6, 127.3, 127.1, 122.8, 21.1, 19.6. HRMS calc. C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>2</sub>: 310.1470, found: 310.1467.

#### 4-ethyl-2-phenylquinazoline (3g)<sup>3</sup>



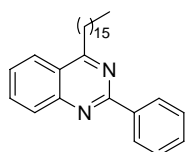
A light yellow solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 8.68-8.64 (m, 2 H), 8.13-8.06 (m, 2 H), 7.88-7.81 (m, 1 H), 7.60-7.48 (m, 4 H), 3.38 (q, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2 H), 1.54 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 3 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 172.2, 160.2, 150.7, 138.6, 133.4, 130.5, 129.5, 128.7, 128.6, 126.9, 124.6, 122.4, 27.8, 12.5. HRMS calc. C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>14</sub>N<sub>2</sub>: 234.1157, found: 234.1156.

#### 4-butyl-2-phenylquinazoline (3h)<sup>3</sup>



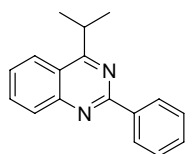
A yellow solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 8.66-8.62 (m, 2 H), 8.13-8.05 (m, 2 H), 7.87-7.81 (m, 1 H), 7.59-7.48 (m, 4 H), 3.33 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2 H), 2.00-1.94 (m, 2 H), 1.54 (q, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2 H), 1.02 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 3 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 171.6, 160.2, 150.8, 138.6, 133.3, 130.4, 129.5, 128.7, 128.6, 126.8, 124.7, 122.6, 34.4, 30.8, 22.9, 14.1. HRMS calc. C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>2</sub>: 262.1470, found: 262.1473.

#### 4-hexadecyl-2-phenylquinazoline (3i)<sup>3</sup>



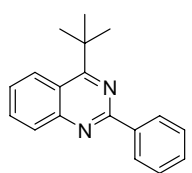
A yellow solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 8.66-8.63 (m, 2 H), 8.12-8.06 (m, 2 H), 7.86- 7.81 (m, 1 H), 7.58-7.48 (m, 4 H), 3.32 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2 H), 2.00-1.94 (m, 2 H), 1.53-1.47 (m, 2 H), 1.42-1.36 (m, 2 H), 1.26-1.20 (m, 22 H), 0.88 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 3 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 171.6, 160.2, 150.9, 138.6, 133.3, 130.4, 129.6, 128.7, 128.6, 126.8, 124.7, 122.7, 34.7, 32.1, 29.85, 29.82, 29.74, 29.67, 29.5, 28.7, 22.8, 14.2. HRMS calc. C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>42</sub>N<sub>2</sub>: 430.3348, found: 430.3345.

#### 4-isopropyl-2-phenylquinazoline (3j)<sup>3</sup>



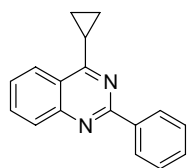
A yellow solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 8.70-8.66 (m, 2 H), 8.17-8.07 (m, 2 H), 7.87- 7.80 (m, 1 H), 7.59-7.48 (m, 4 H), 4.00-3.90 (m, 1 H), 1.52 (s, 3 H), 1.50 (s, 3 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 175.6, 151.1, 138.7, 133.2, 130.5, 129.7, 128.7, 128.6, 126.7, 124.2, 121.8, 31.3, 21.9. HRMS calc. C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>16</sub>N<sub>2</sub>: 248.1313, found: 248.1317.

#### 4-tert-butyl-2-phenylquinazoline (3k)<sup>3</sup>



A yellow solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 8.70-8.66 (m, 2 H), 8.44 (dd, *J*<sub>1</sub> = 8.8 Hz, *J*<sub>2</sub> = 0.8 Hz, 1 H), 8.11 (dd, *J*<sub>1</sub> = 8.4 Hz, *J*<sub>2</sub> = 0.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.82-7.78 (m, 1 H), 7.55-7.48 (m, 4 H), 1.72 (s, 9 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 176.5, 159.0, 152.2, 138.7, 132.4, 130.52, 130.48, 128.7, 128.6, 126.6, 125.7, 121.7, 40.7, 30.8. HRMS calc. C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>2</sub>: 262.1470, found: 262.1469.

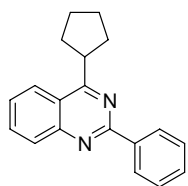
### 4-cyclopropyl-2-phenylquinazoline (3l)<sup>3</sup>



A yellow solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 8.61-8.57 (m, 2 H), 8.27 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1 H), 8.05 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.86-7.79 (m, 1 H), 7.58-7.45 (m, 4 H), 2.83-2.74 (m, 1 H), 1.57-1.51 (m, 2 H), 1.28-1.21 (m, 2 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 172.1, 159.9, 150.4, 138.6, 133.2, 130.3, 129.3, 128.53, 128.47, 126.6, 124.4, 123.0, 13.0, 12.2.

HRMS calc. C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>14</sub>N<sub>2</sub>: 246.1157, found: 246.1155.

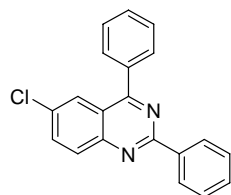
### 4-cyclopentyl-2-phenylquinazoline (3m)<sup>3</sup>



A yellow solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 8.68-8.65 (m, 2 H), 8.18-8.15 (m, 1 H), 8.07 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.85-7.80 (m, 1 H), 7.58-7.47 (m, 4 H), 4.09-4.04 (m, 1 H), 2.25-2.14 (m, 4 H), 2.00-1.95 (m, 2 H), 1.85-1.80 (m, 2 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 174.5, 160.0, 151.0, 138.8, 133.1, 130.4, 129.5, 128.7, 128.6, 126.6,

124.7, 122.6, 42.7, 32.7, 26.4. HRMS calc. C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>2</sub>: 274.1470, found: 274.1472.

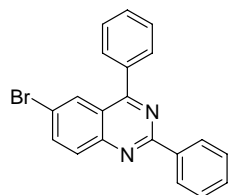
### 6-chloro-2,4-diphenylquinazoline (3n)<sup>3</sup>



A white solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 8.69-8.66 (m, 2 H), 8.11-8.08 (m, 2 H), 7.88-7.78 (m, 3 H), 7.63-7.60 (m, 3 H), 7.56-7.51 (m, 3 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 167.6, 160.6, 150.6, 137.9, 137.2, 134.6, 132.7, 131.0, 130.9,

130.3, 130.2, 128.8, 128.7, 125.9, 122.3. HRMS calc. C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>13</sub>ClN<sub>2</sub>: 316.0767, found:

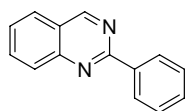
### 6-bromo-2,4-diphenylquinazoline (3o)<sup>3</sup>



A white solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 8.69-8.65 (m, 2 H), 8.26-8.25 (m, 1 H), 8.04-8.00 (m, 1 H), 7.96-7.92 (m, 1 H), 7.88-7.84 (m, 2 H), 7.63-7.60 (m, 3 H), 7.55-7.50 (m, 3 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 167.5, 160.6, 150.8, 137.9,

137.1, 131.1, 130.9, 130.3, 130.2, 129.2, 128.8, 128.7, 122.8, 120.7. HRMS calc. C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>13</sub>BrN<sub>2</sub>: 360.0262, found: 360.0259.

### 2-phenylquinazoline (3p)

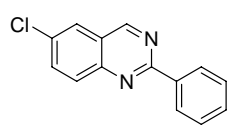


A yellow solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 9.47 (s, 1 H), 8.64-8.61 (m, 2 H), 8.10 (dd, *J*<sub>1</sub> = 8.4 Hz, *J*<sub>2</sub> = 0.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.94-7.88 (m, 2 H), 7.64-7.59 (m, 1 H), 7.56-7.50 (m, 3 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 161.2, 160.6, 150.9, 138.2, 134.3,

130.8, 128.80, 128.79, 128.7, 127.4, 127.3, 123.8. HRMS calc. C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>10</sub>N<sub>2</sub>: 206.0844, found: 206.0845.

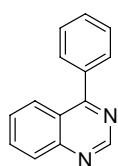


### 6-chloro-2-phenylquinazoline (3q) <sup>3</sup>



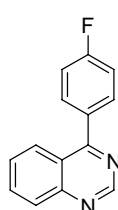
A light yellow solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 9.39 (s, 1 H), 8.62-8.58 (m, 2 H), 8.04 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 1 H), 7.89 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.83-7.80 (m, 1 H), 7.56-7.50 (m, 3 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 161.3, 159.7, 149.3, 137.5, 135.3, 133.0, 131.1, 130.5, 128.85, 128.78, 126.0, 124.1. HRMS calc. C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>9</sub>ClN<sub>2</sub>: 240.0454, found: 240.0452.

### 4-phenylquinazoline (3r) <sup>4</sup>



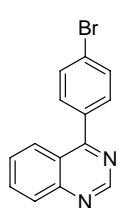
A needle-like solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 9.39 (s, 1 H), 8.24 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 7.95-7.90 (m, 1 H), 7.82-7.76 (m, 2 H), 7.64-7.56 (m, 4 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 168.6, 154.7, 151.1, 137.2, 133.9, 130.2, 130.1, 128.9, 128.8, 127.9, 127.2, 123.3. HRMS calc. C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>10</sub>N<sub>2</sub>: 206.0844, found: 206.0841.

### 4-(4-fluorophenyl)quinazoline (3s)



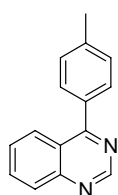
A light yellow solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 9.37 (s, 1 H), 8.13 (dd, *J*<sub>1</sub> = 13.2 Hz, *J*<sub>2</sub> = 8.4 Hz, 2 H), 7.96-7.91 (m, 1 H), 7.83-7.79 (m, 2 H), 7.67-7.62 (m, 1 H), 7.31-7.26 (m, 2 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 167.5, 164.2 (d, *J* = 249.2 Hz), 154.6, 151.2, 134.0, 133.3 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz), 132.2 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz), 129.1, 128.1, 126.9, 123.2, 116.0 (d, *J* = 21.8 Hz). HRMS calc. C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>9</sub>FN<sub>2</sub>: 224.0750, found: 224.0754.

### 4-(4-bromophenyl)quinazoline (3t)



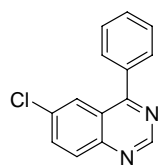
A white solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 9.38 (s, 1 H), 8.16-8.07 (m, 2 H), 7.96-7.91 (m, 1 H), 7.75-7.61 (m, 5 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 167.4, 154.7, 151.8, 136.1, 134.0, 132.1, 131.7, 129.2, 128.1, 126.8, 125.0, 123.1. HRMS calc. C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>9</sub>BrN<sub>2</sub>: 283.9949, found: 283.9946.

### 4-*p*-tolylquinazoline (3u) <sup>5</sup>



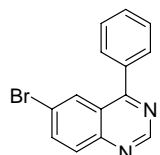
A yellow solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 9.37 (s, 1 H), 8.18-8.09 (m, 2 H), 7.93-7.88 (m, 1 H), 7.71-7.69 (m, 2 H), 7.63-7.37 (m, 1 H), 7.39 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2 H), 2.48 (s, 3 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 168.6, 154.8, 151.3, 140.5, 134.5, 133.7, 130.1, 129.5, 129.0, 127.7, 127.3, 123.4, 21.6. HRMS calc. C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>12</sub>N<sub>2</sub>: 220.1000, found: 220.1000.

### 6-chloro-4-phenylquinazoline (3v) <sup>6</sup>



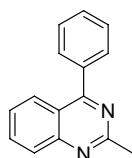
A light yellow solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 9.38 (s, 1 H), 8.12-8.06 (m, 2 H), 7.87-7.84 (m, 1 H), 7.79-7.75 (m, 2 H), 7.63-7.58 (m, 3 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 167.8, 154.9, 149.7, 136.7, 134.9, 133.7, 130.8, 130.5, 130.0, 129.0, 126.0, 123.8. HRMS calc. C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>9</sub>ClN<sub>2</sub>: 240.0454, found: 240.0455.

### 6-bromo-4-phenylquinazoline (3w)



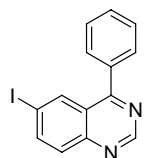
A light yellow solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 9.39 (s, 1 H), 8.28 (d, *J* = 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 8.00-7.96 (m, 2 H), 7.79-7.74 (m, 2 H), 7.63-7.58 (m, 3 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 167.7, 155.0, 149.9, 137.4, 136.6, 130.8, 130.6, 130.0, 129.3, 129.0, 124.3, 121.8. HRMS calc. C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>9</sub>BrN<sub>2</sub>: 283.9949, found: 283.9952.

### 2-methyl-4-phenylquinazoline (3x)



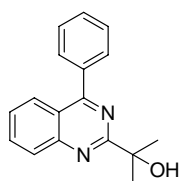
A yellow oil. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 8.07-8.02 (m, 2 H), 7.90-7.87 (m, 1 H), 7.77-7.74 (m, 2 H), 7.59-7.52 (m, 4 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 168.8, 164.0, 154.8, 137.4, 133.8, 130.03, 130.00, 128.8, 128.2, 127.2, 126.9, 121.2, 26.7. HRMS calc. C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>12</sub>N<sub>2</sub>: 220.1000, found: 220.1002.

### 6-iodo-4-phenylquinazoline (4r)



A yellow solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 9.39 (s, 1 H), 8.49 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1 H), 8.15 (dd, *J*<sub>1</sub> = 2.0 Hz, *J*<sub>2</sub> = 8.8 Hz, 1 H), 7.85 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1 H), 7.78-7.75 (m, 2 H), 7.63-7.58 (m, 3 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 167.4, 155.1, 150.3, 142.6, 136.7, 135.9, 130.8, 130.5, 130.0, 129.0, 124.8, 93.3. HRMS calc. C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>9</sub>IN<sub>2</sub>: 331.9810, found: 331.9814.

### 2-(4-phenylquinazolin-2-yl)propan-2-ol (4y)



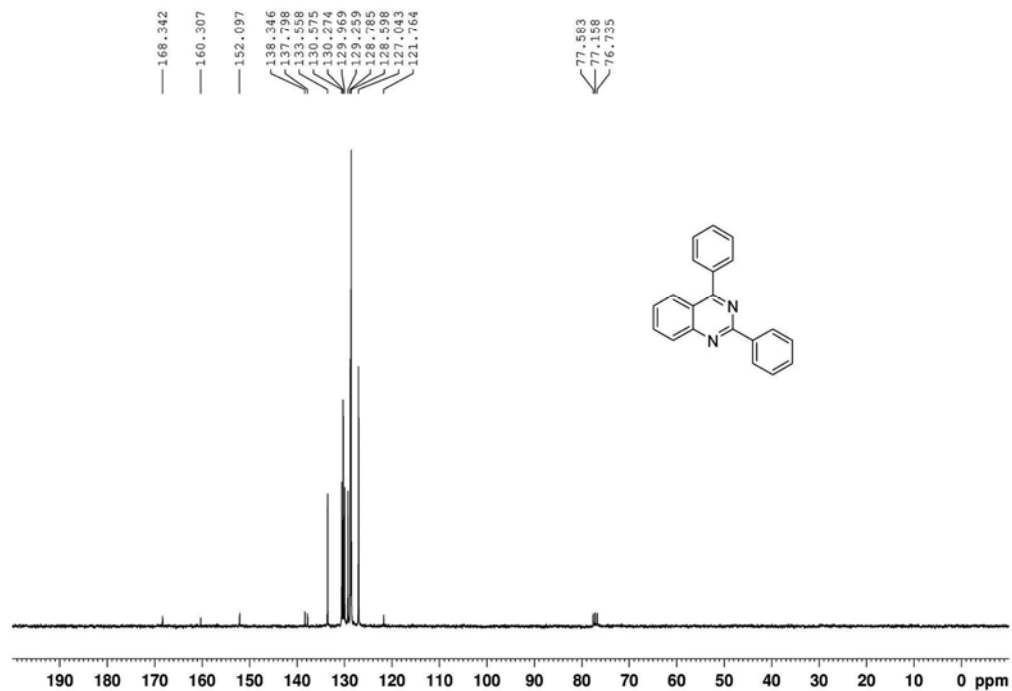
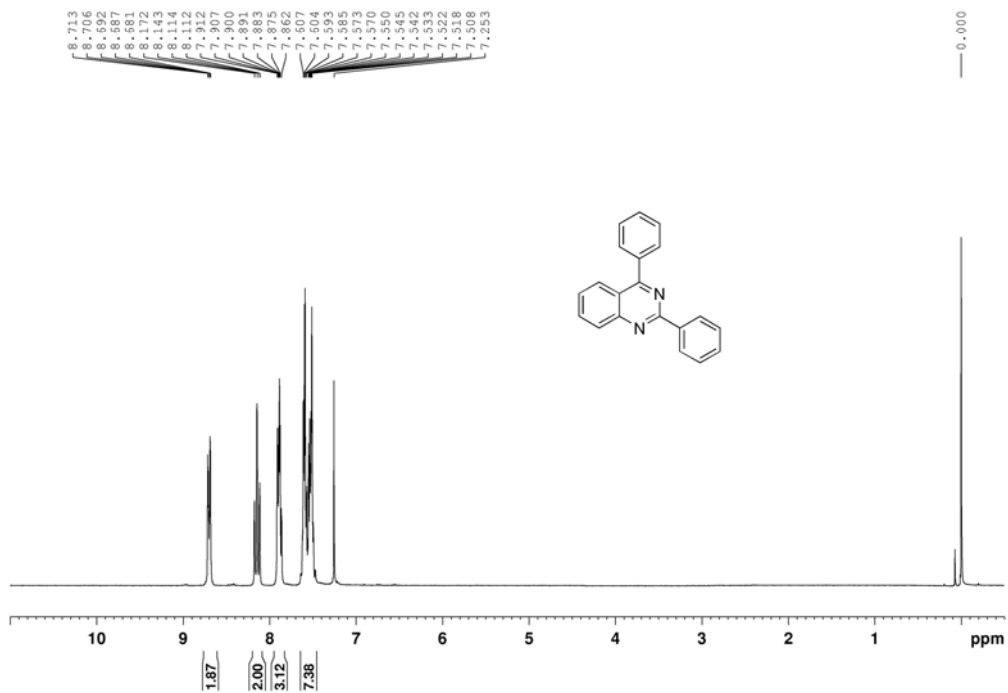
A white solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 8.17-8.12 (m, 2 H), 7.95-7.90 (m, 1 H), 7.84-7.80 (m, 2 H), 7.63-7.58 (m, 4 H), 1.74 (s, 6 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 170.1, 169.3, 150.2, 137.2, 134.3, 130.5, 130.4, 128.8, 128.3, 127.7, 127.4, 121.5, 29.9. HRMS calc. C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>12</sub>N<sub>2</sub>: 264.1263, found: 264.1260.

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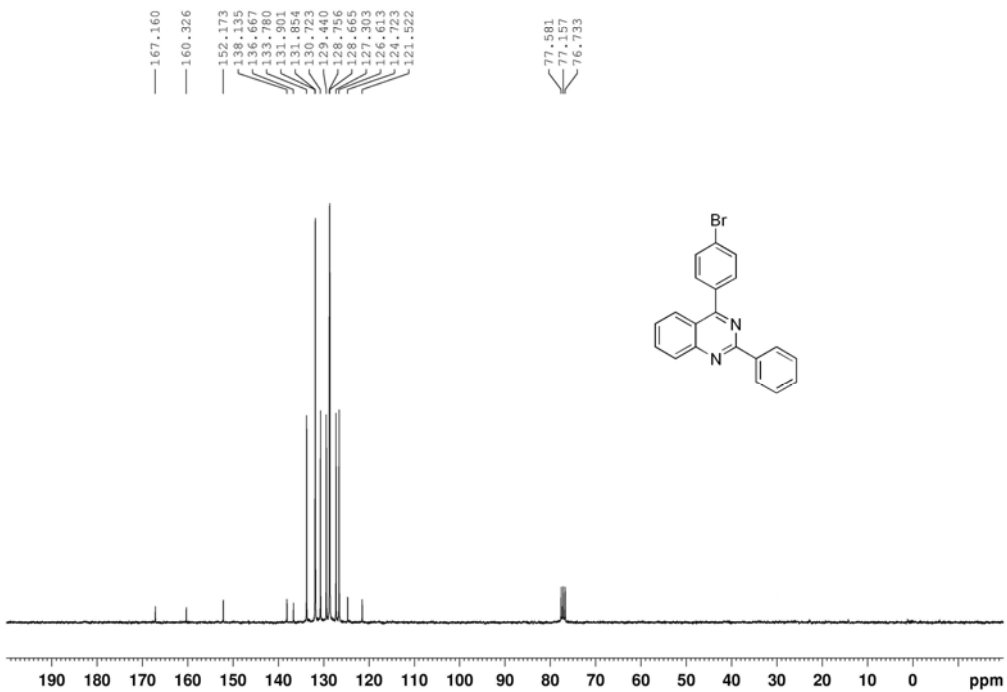
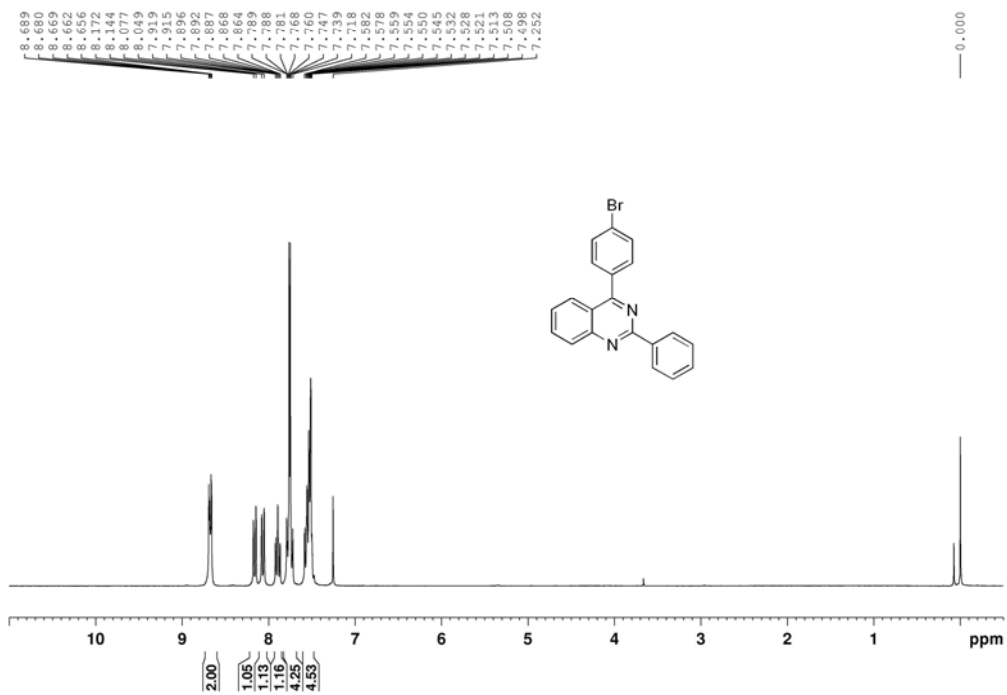
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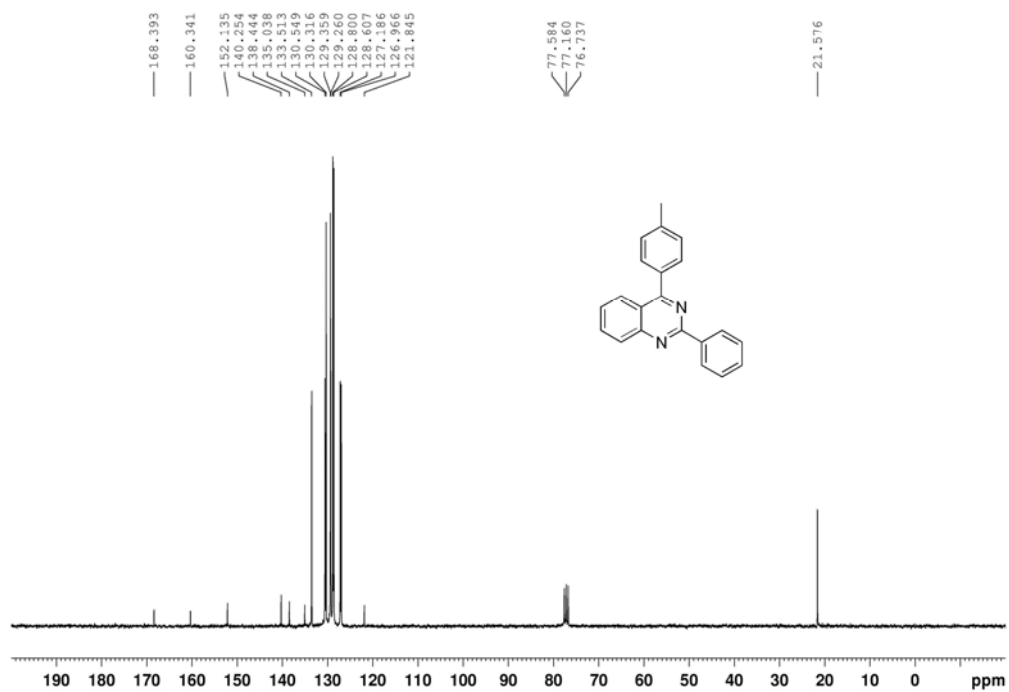
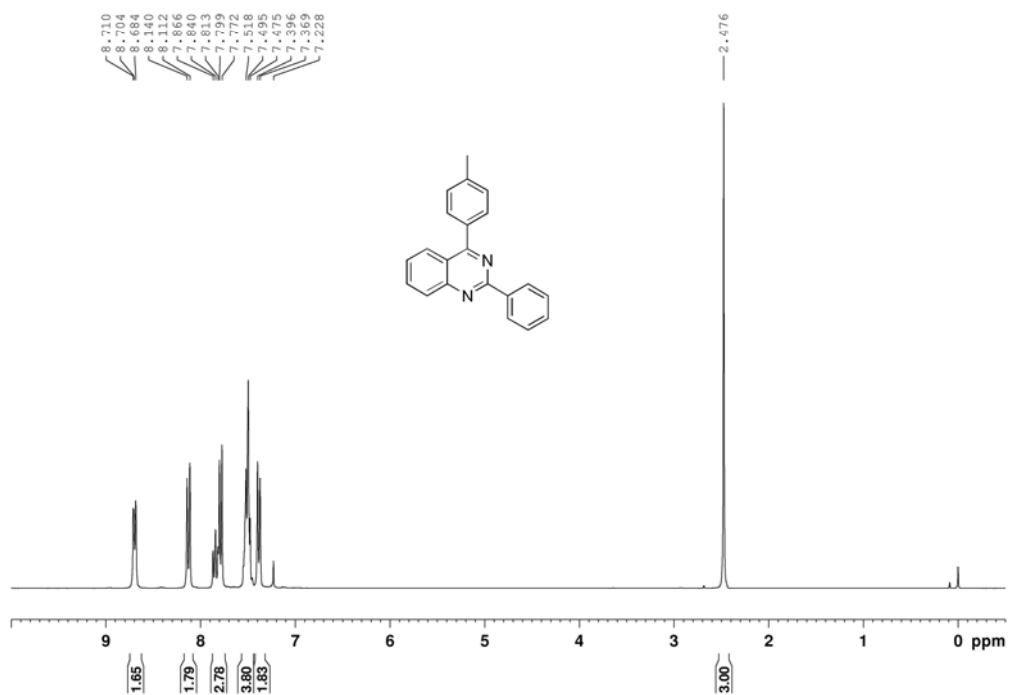




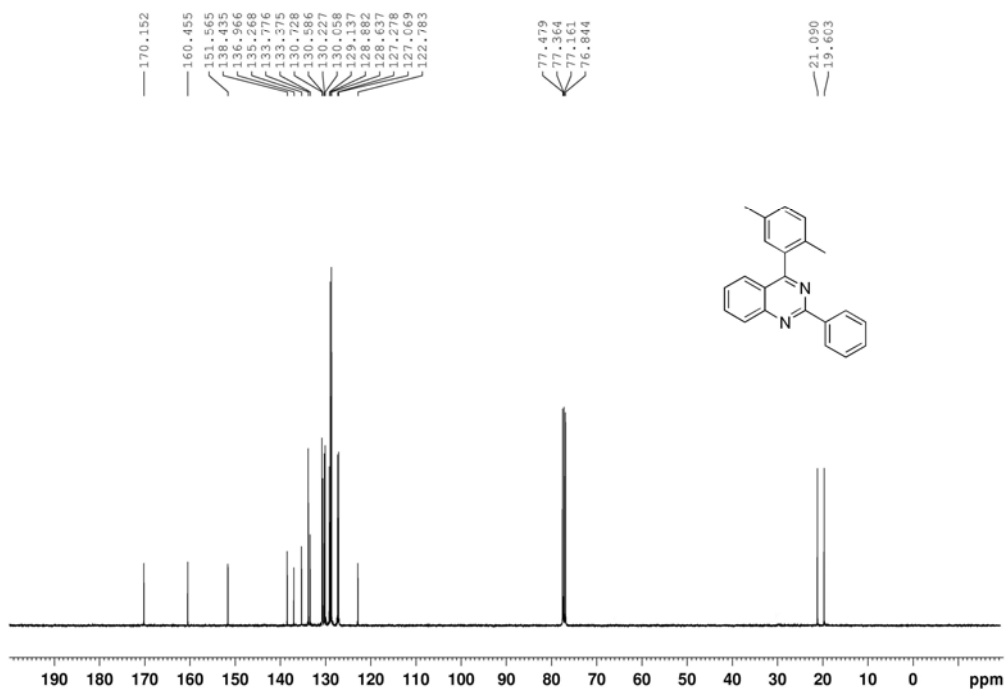
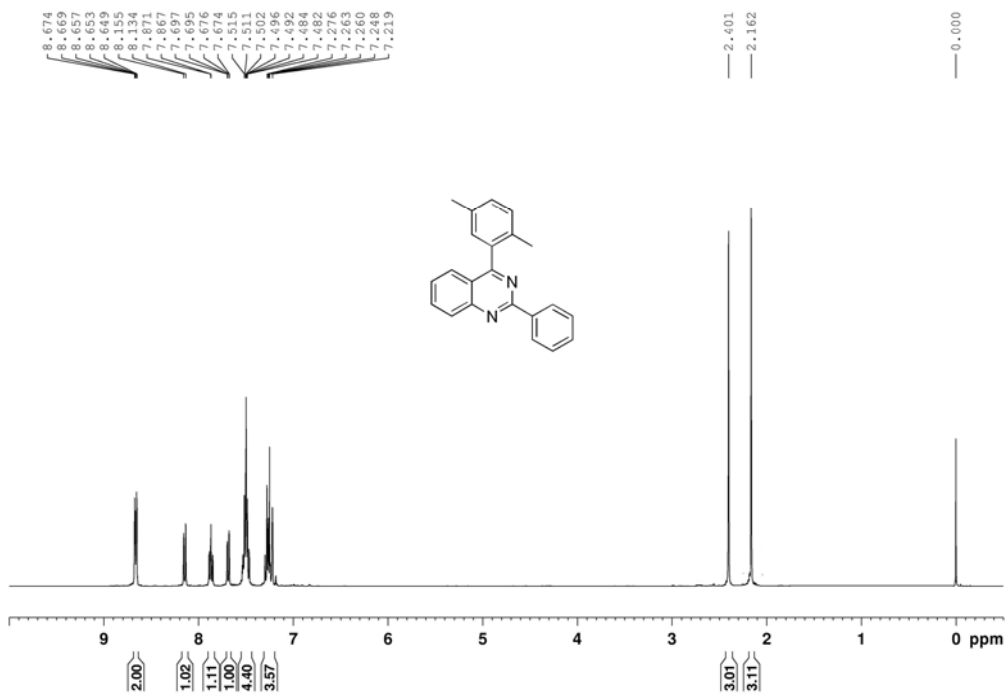
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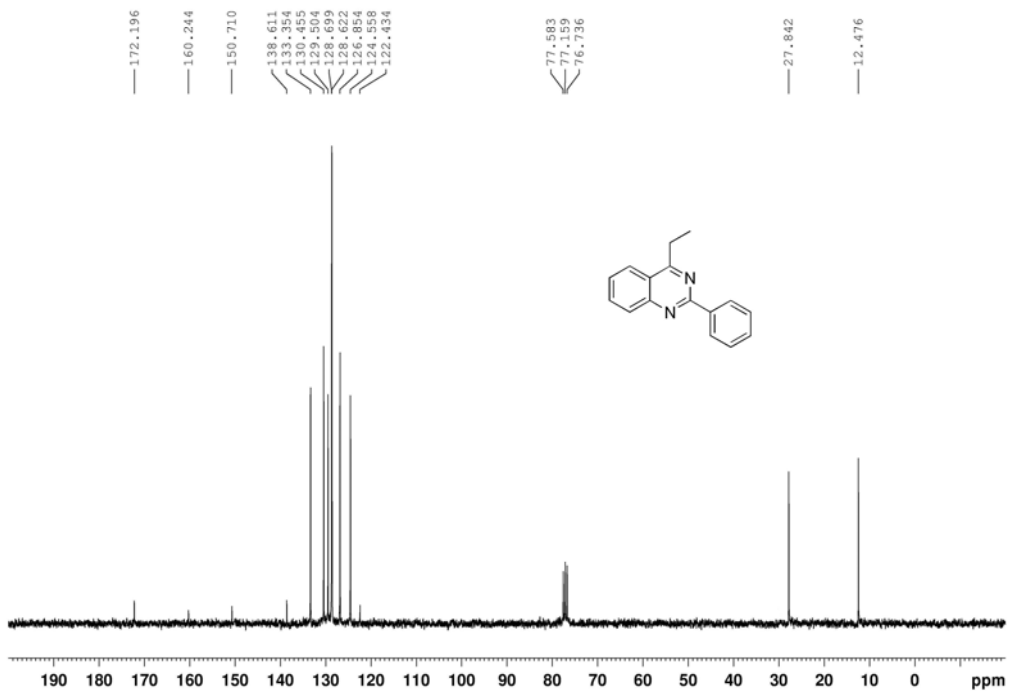
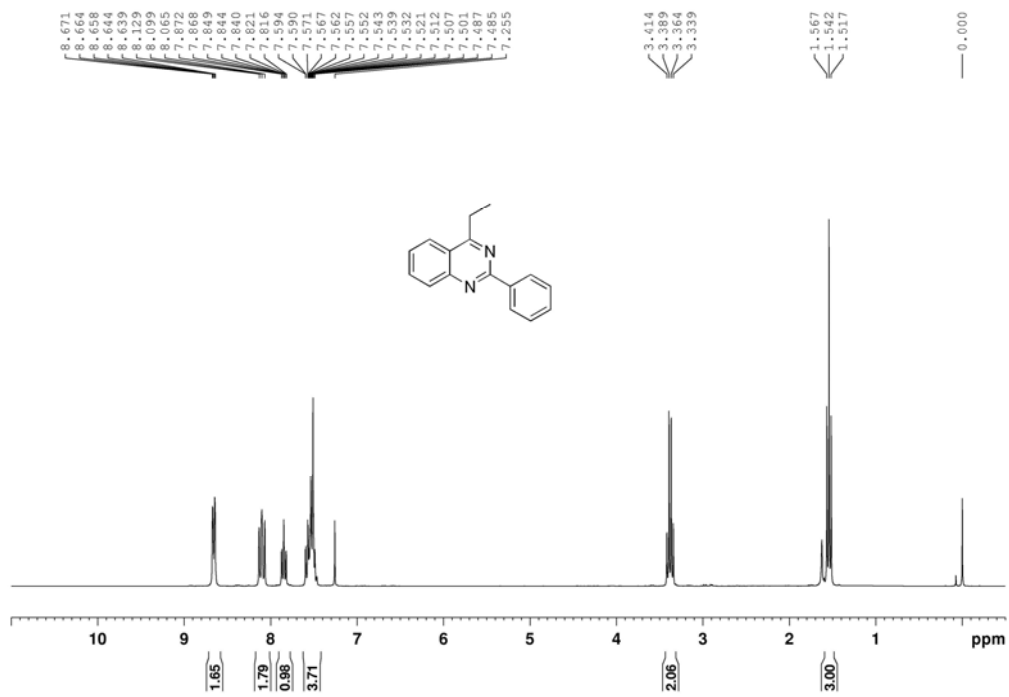


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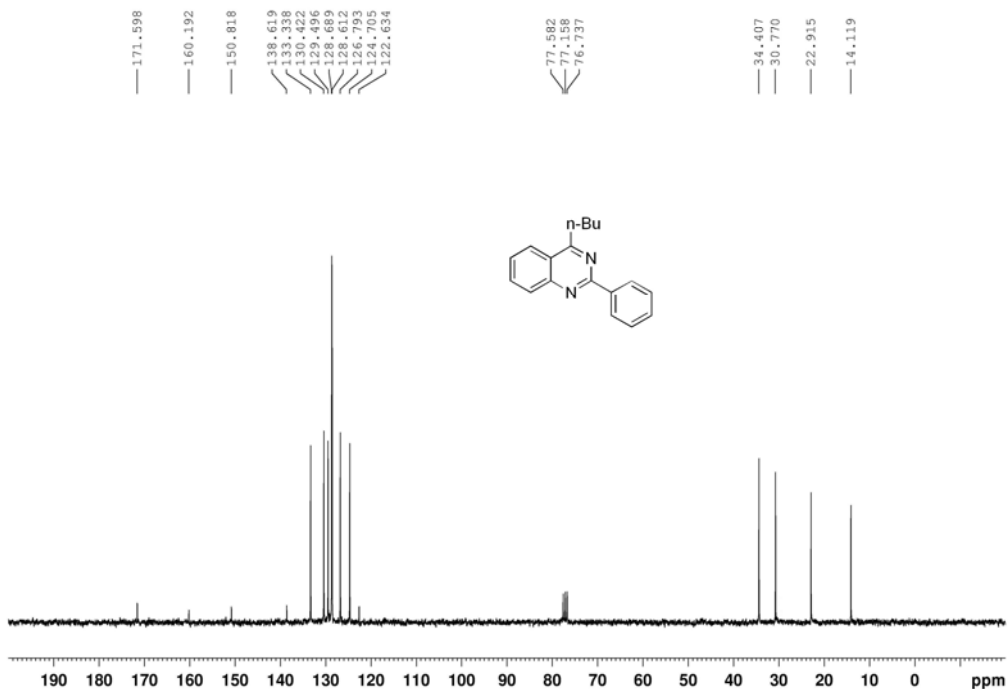
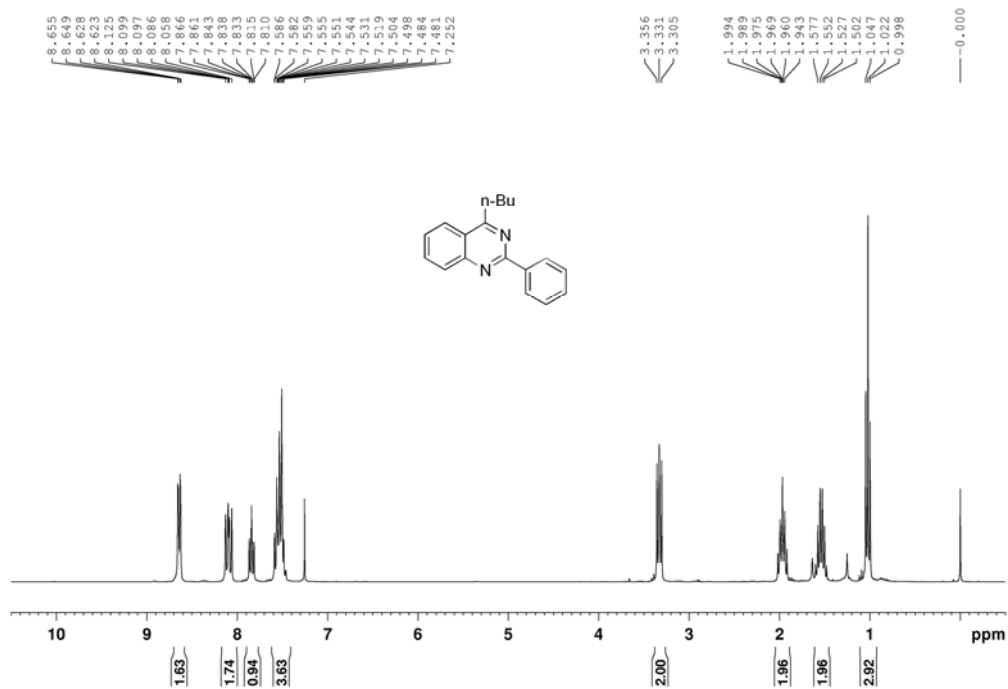




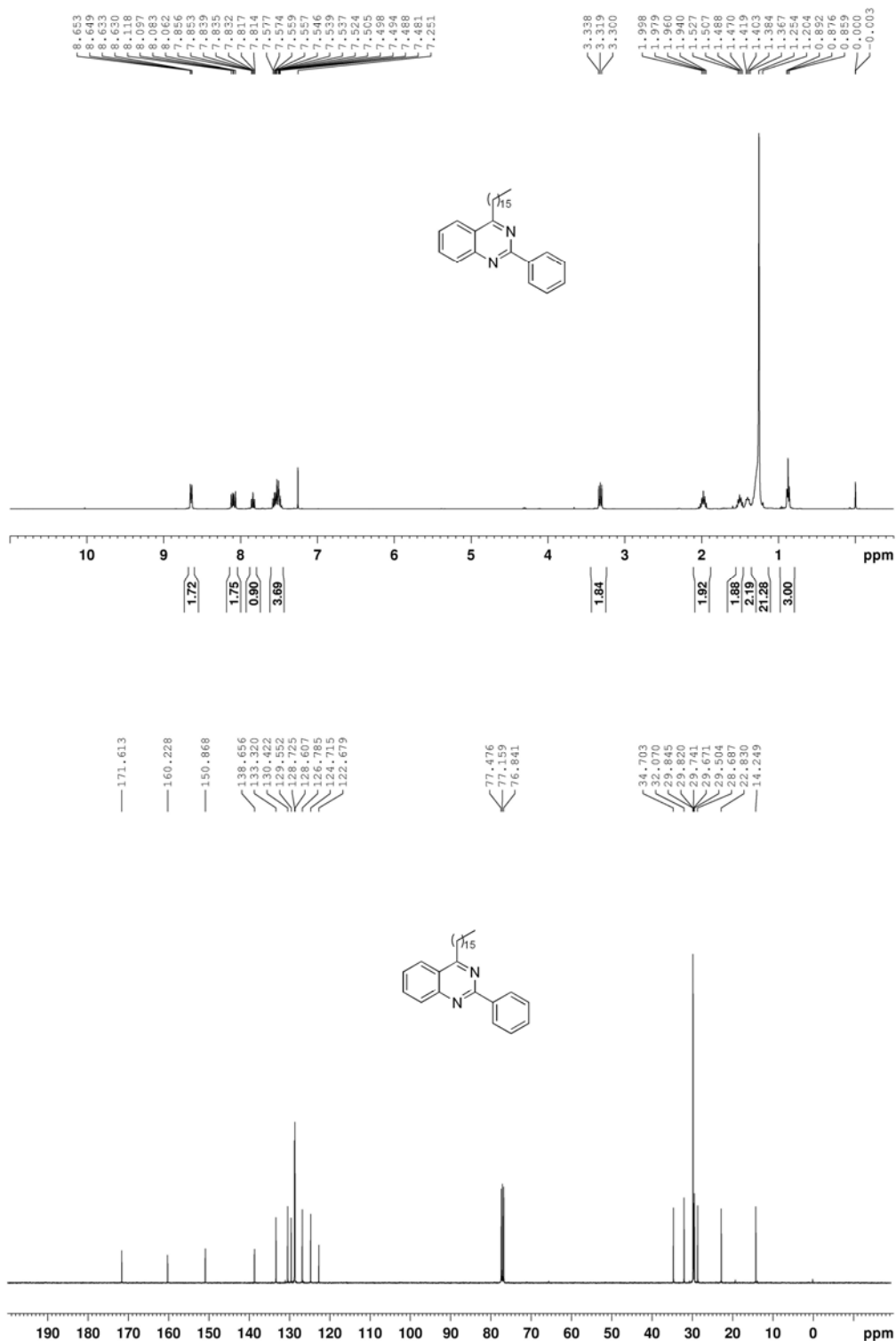
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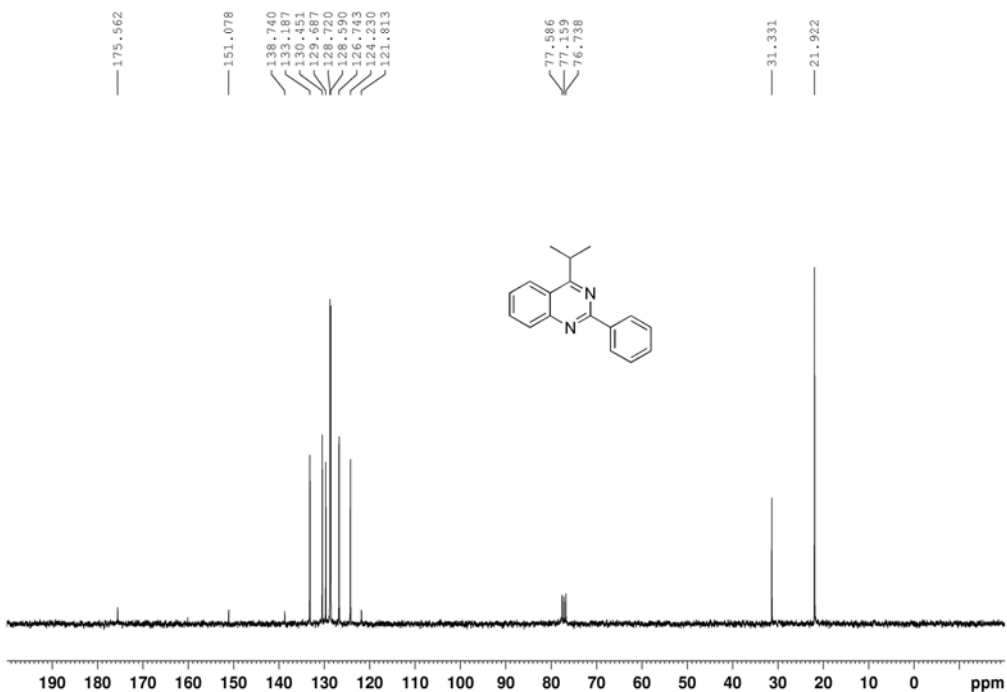
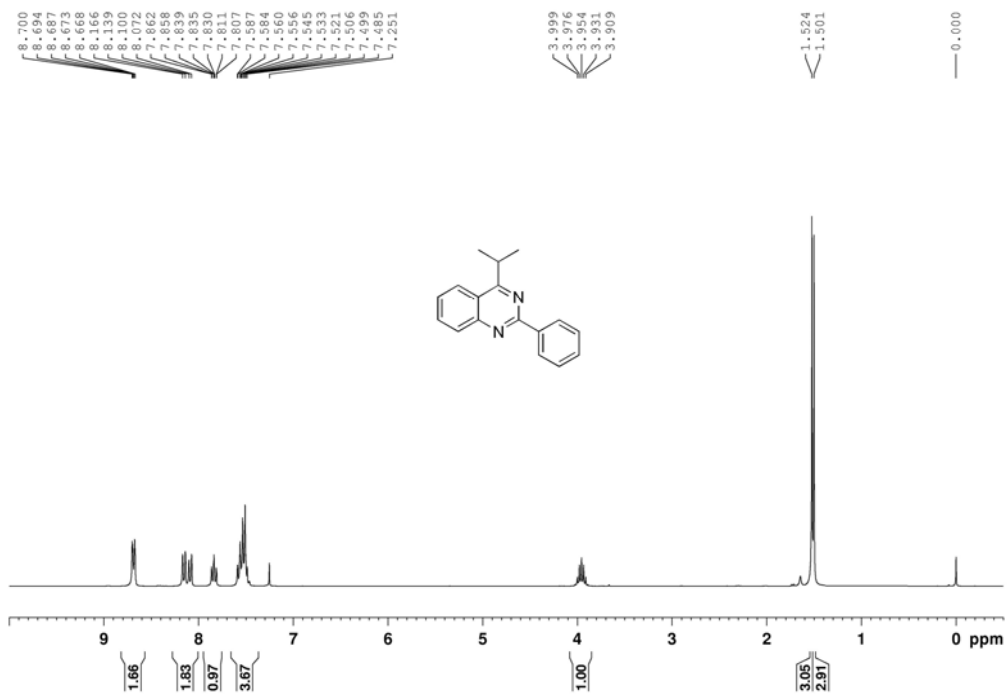
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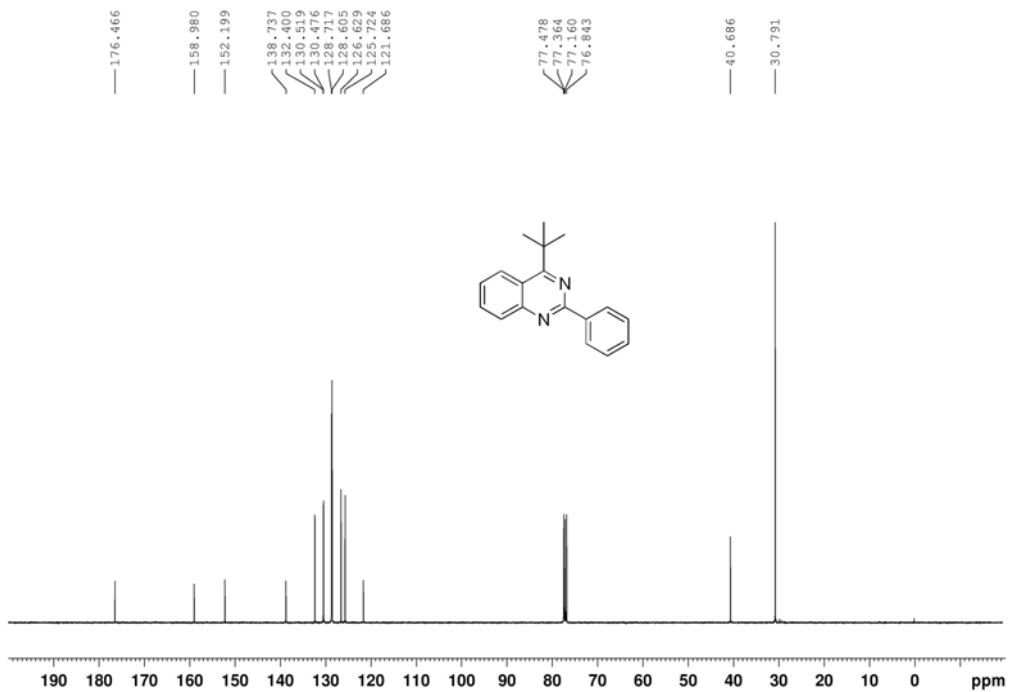
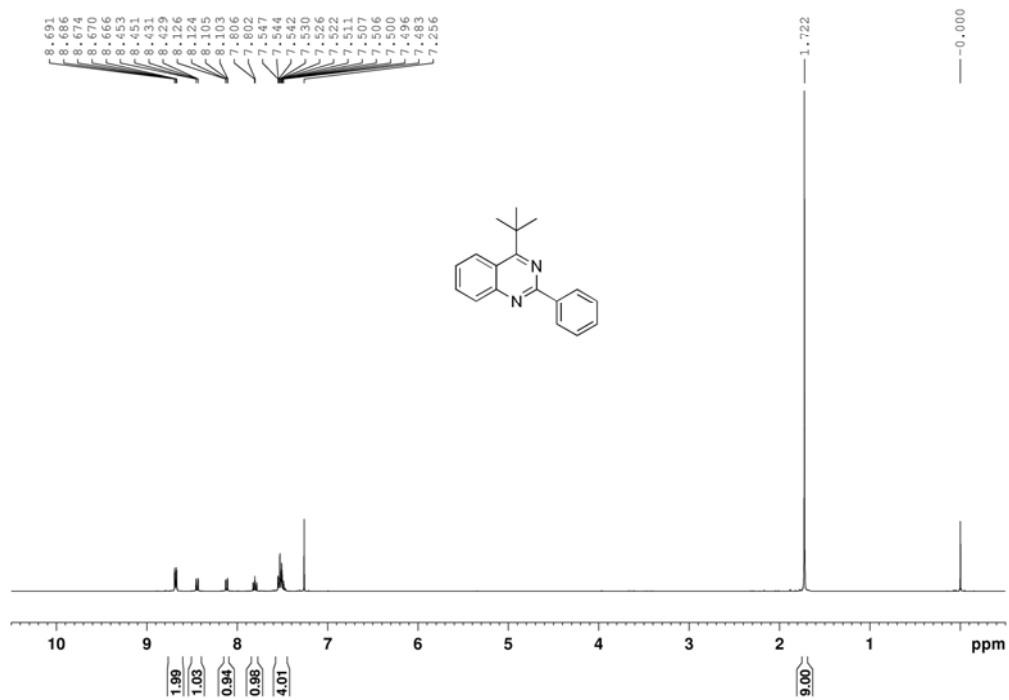
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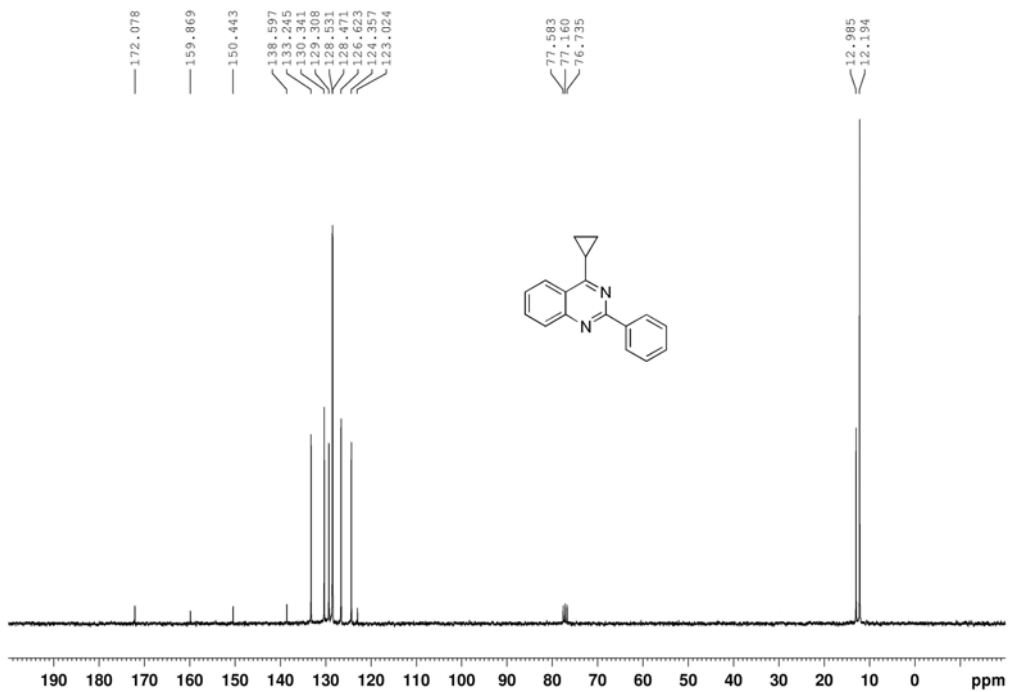
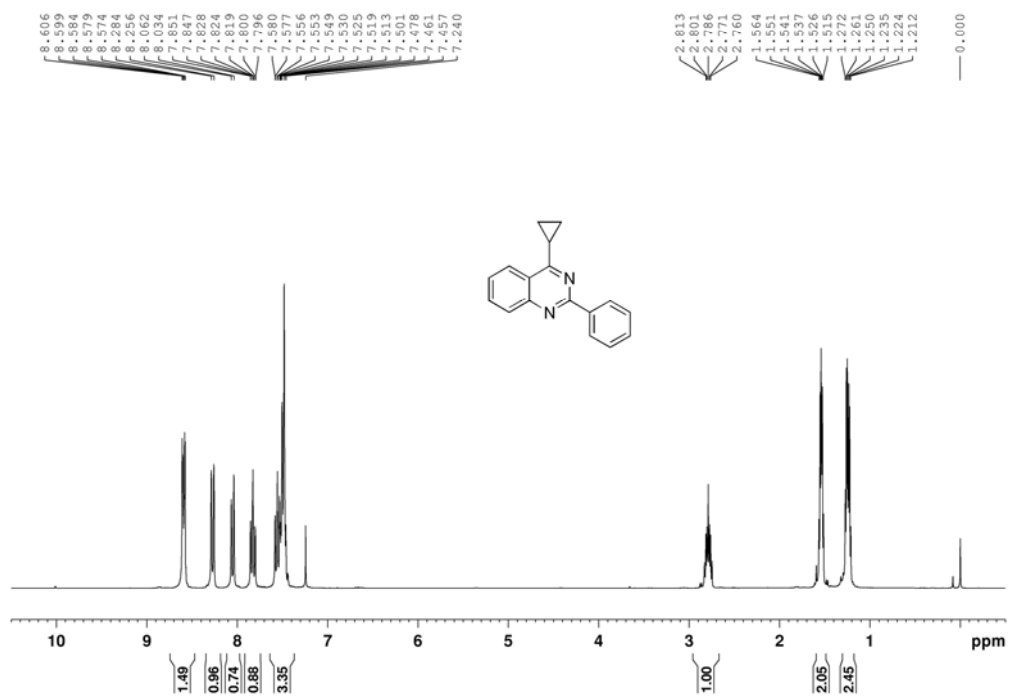
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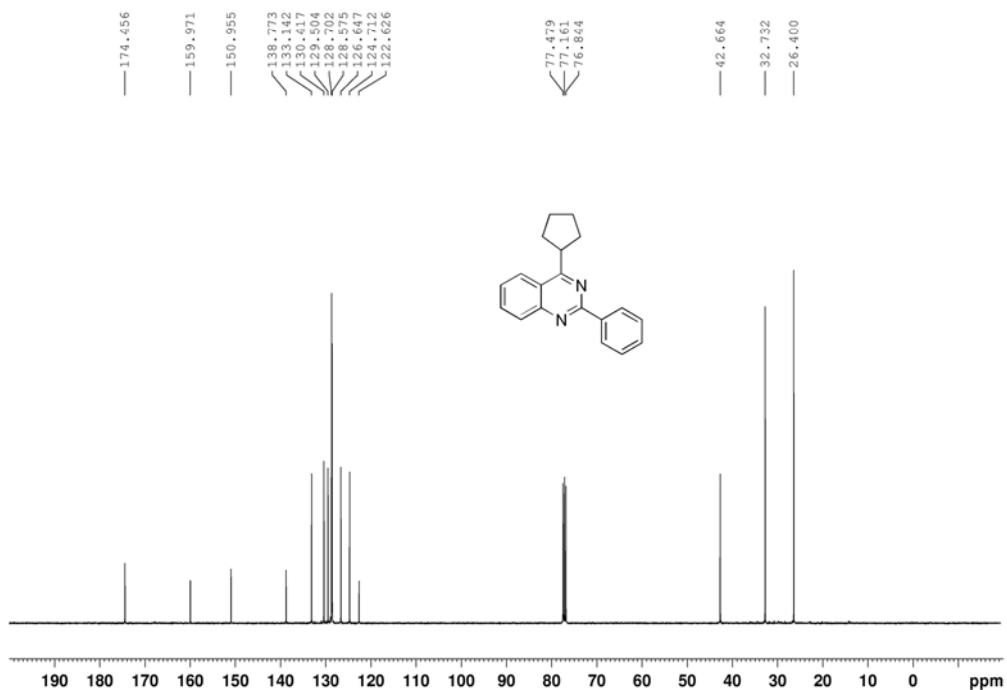
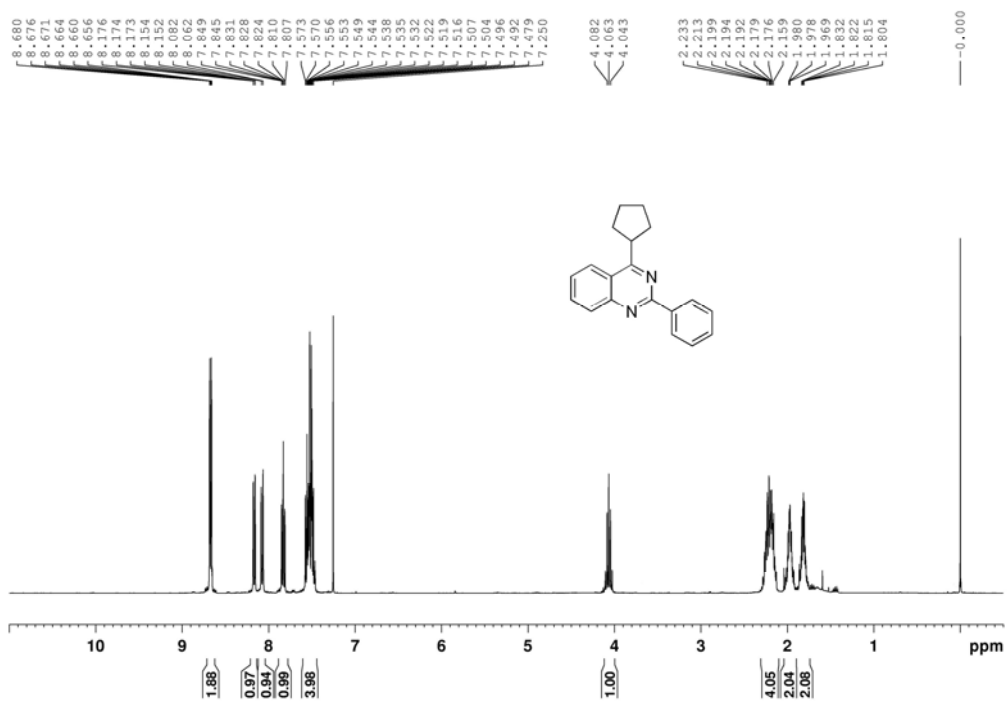
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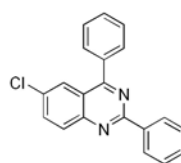
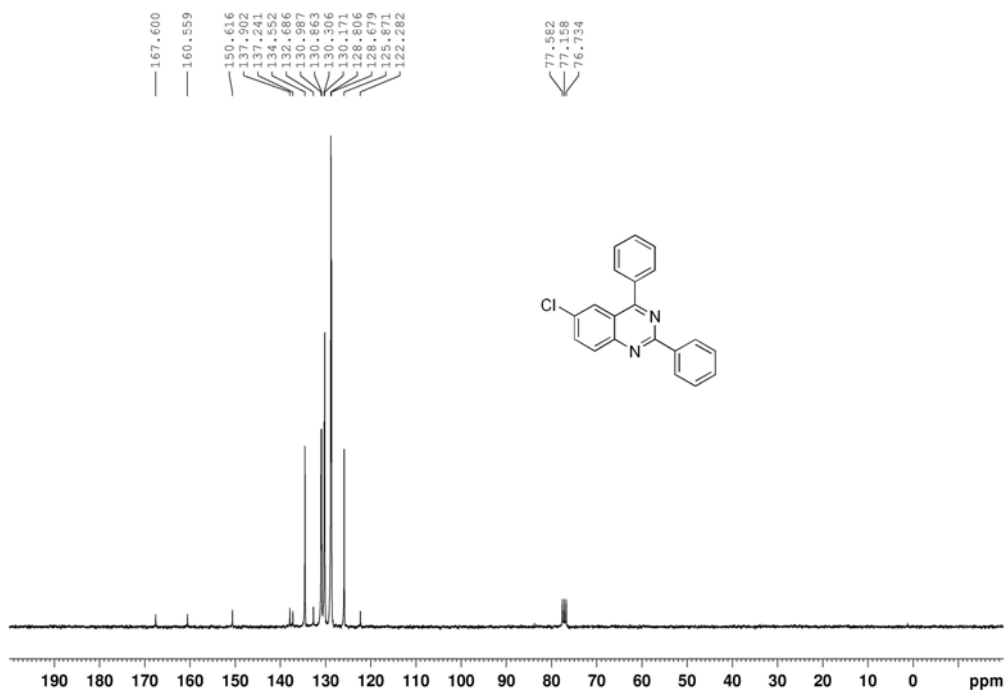
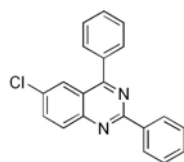
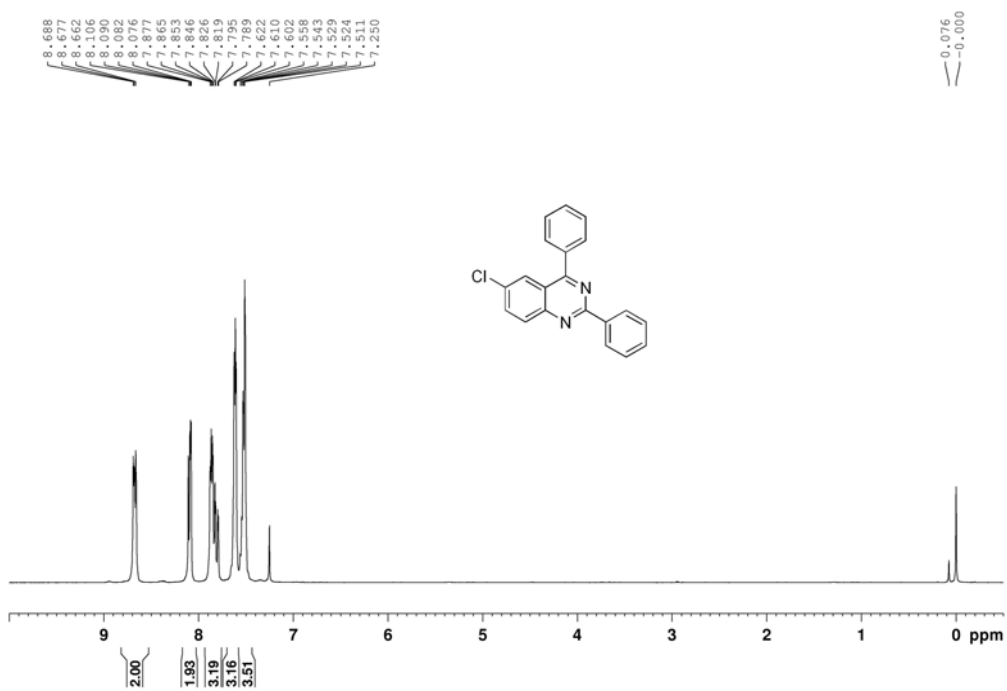
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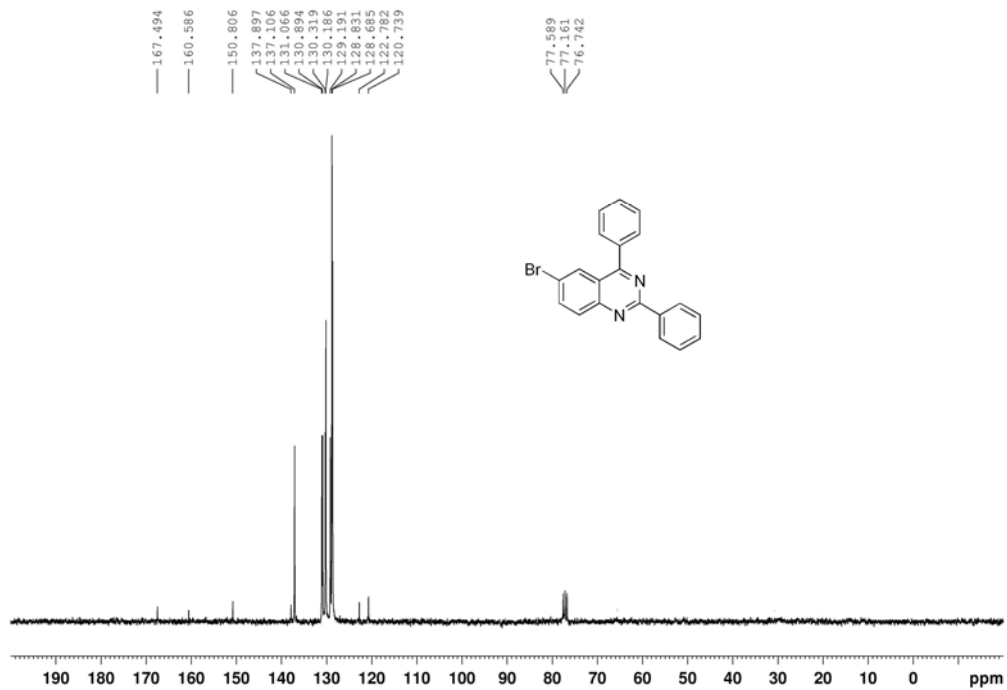
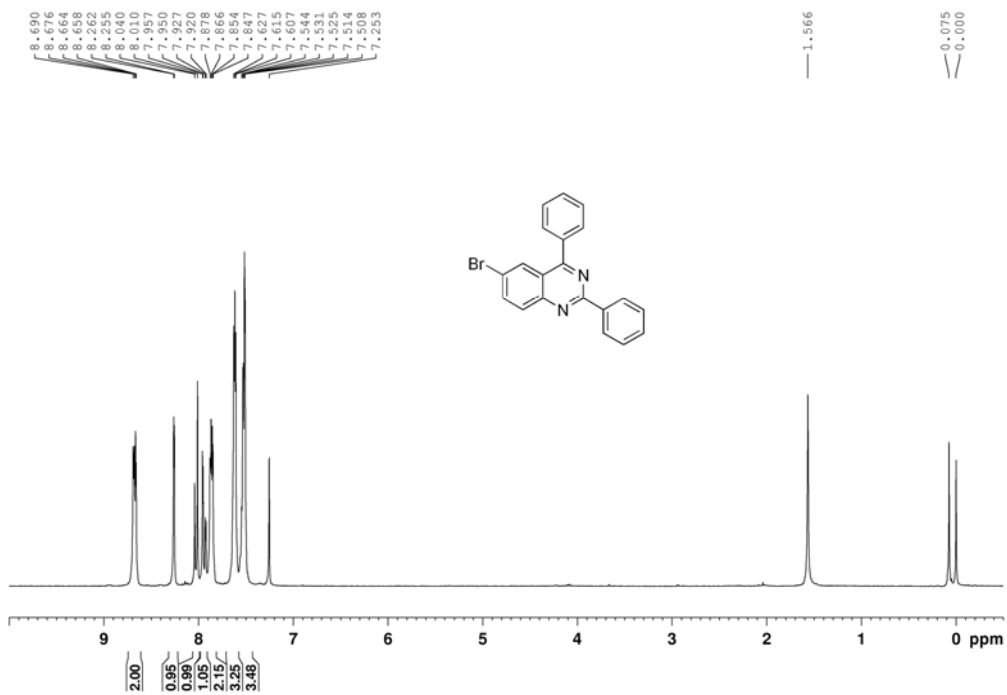


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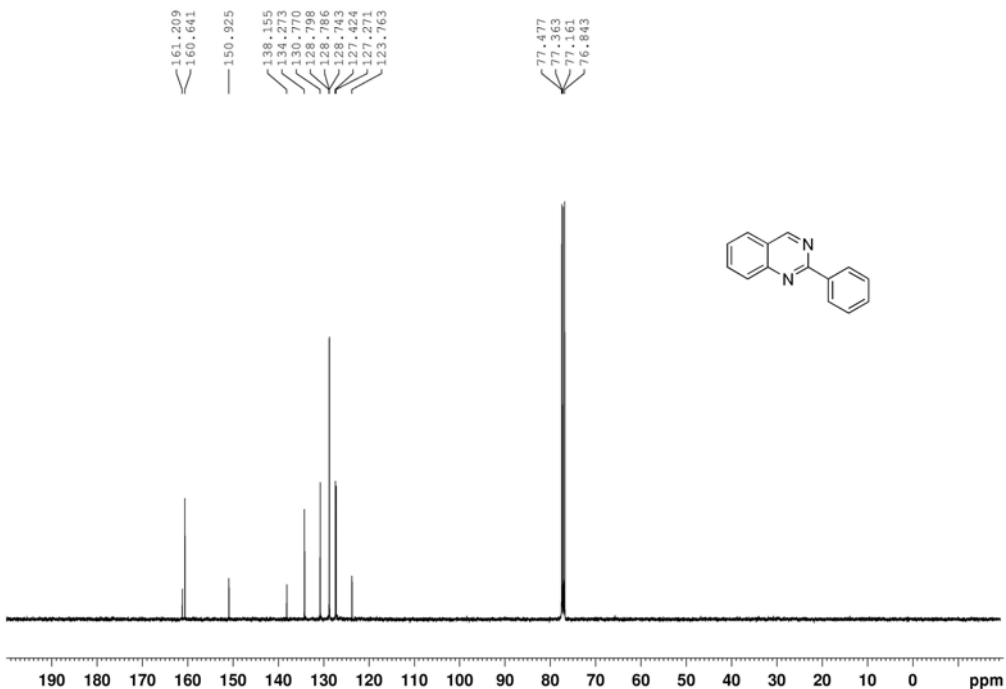
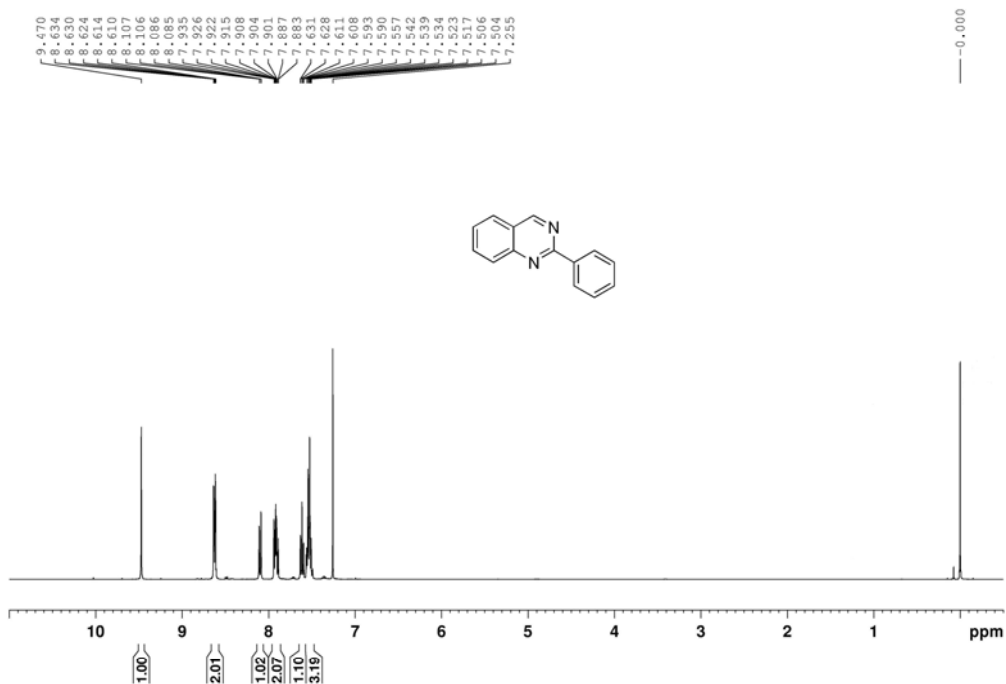




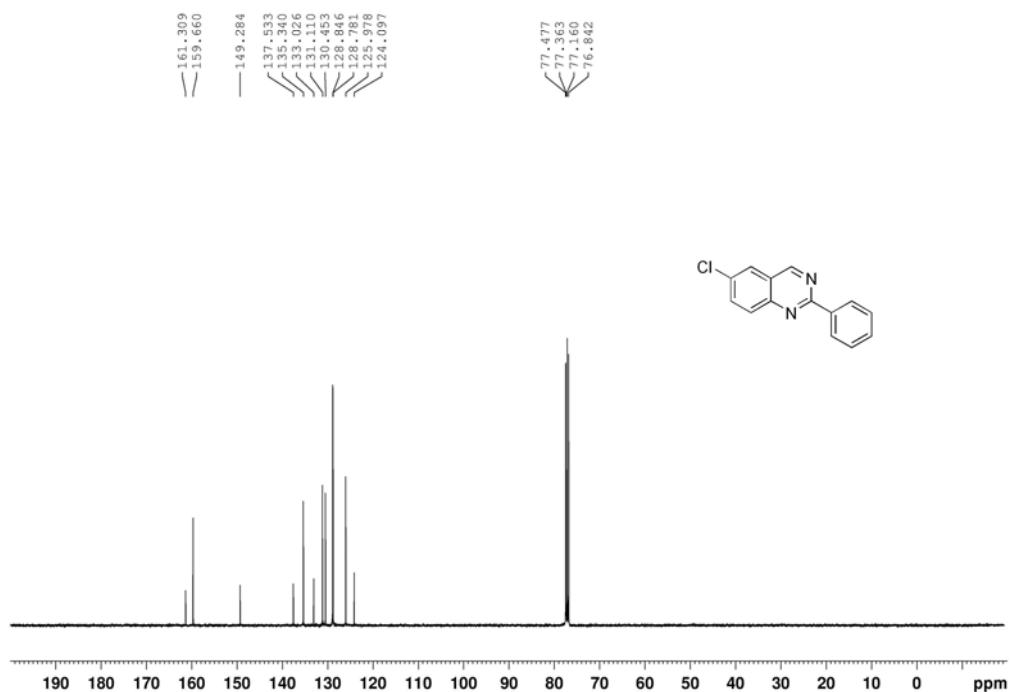
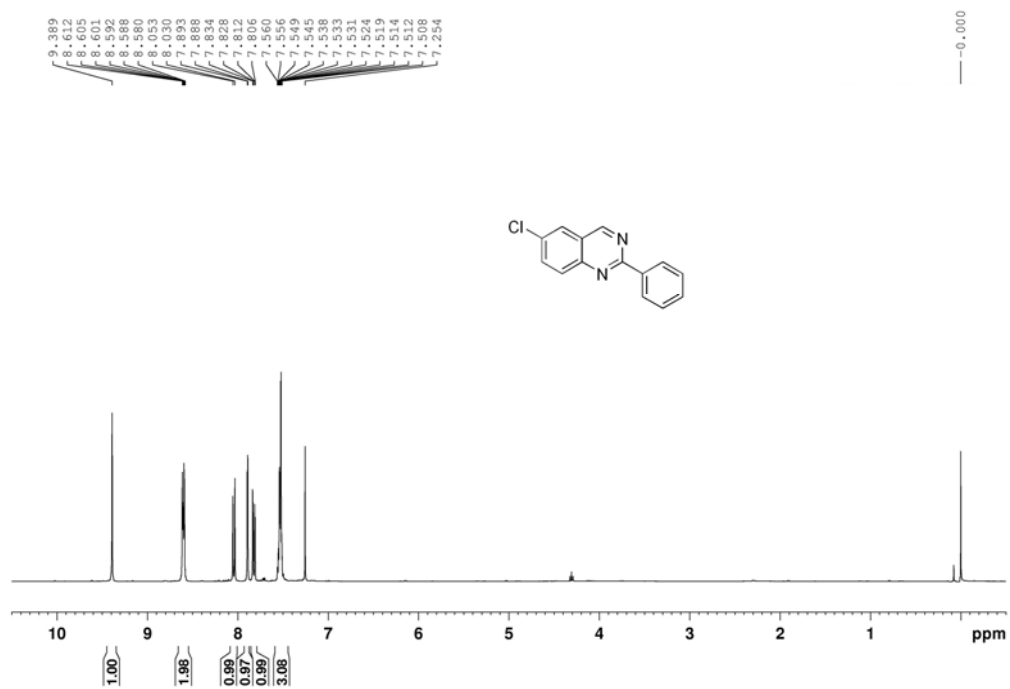
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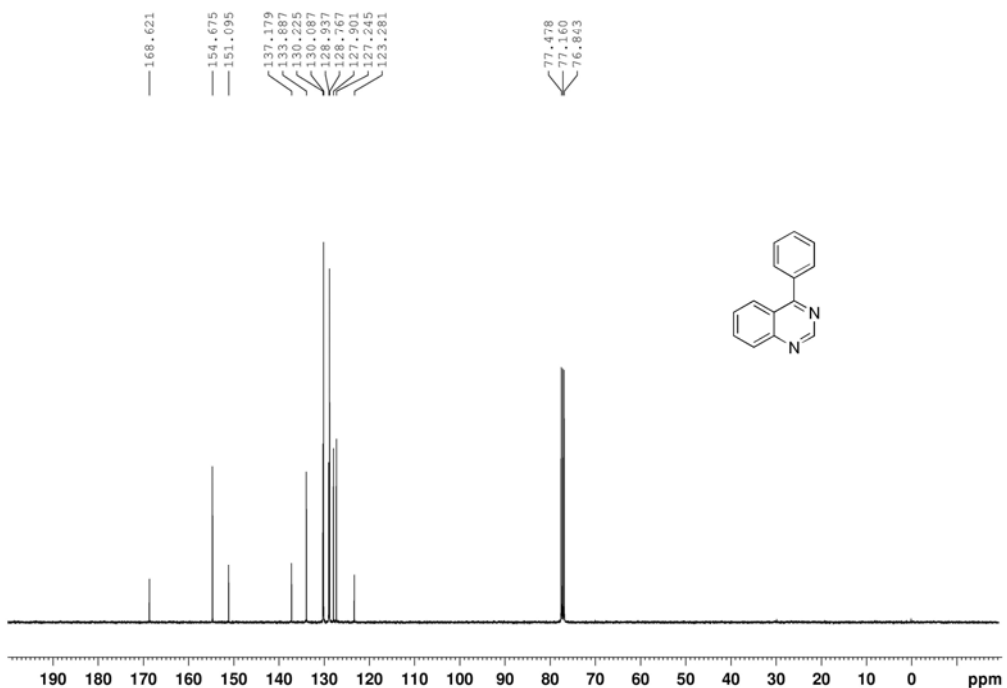
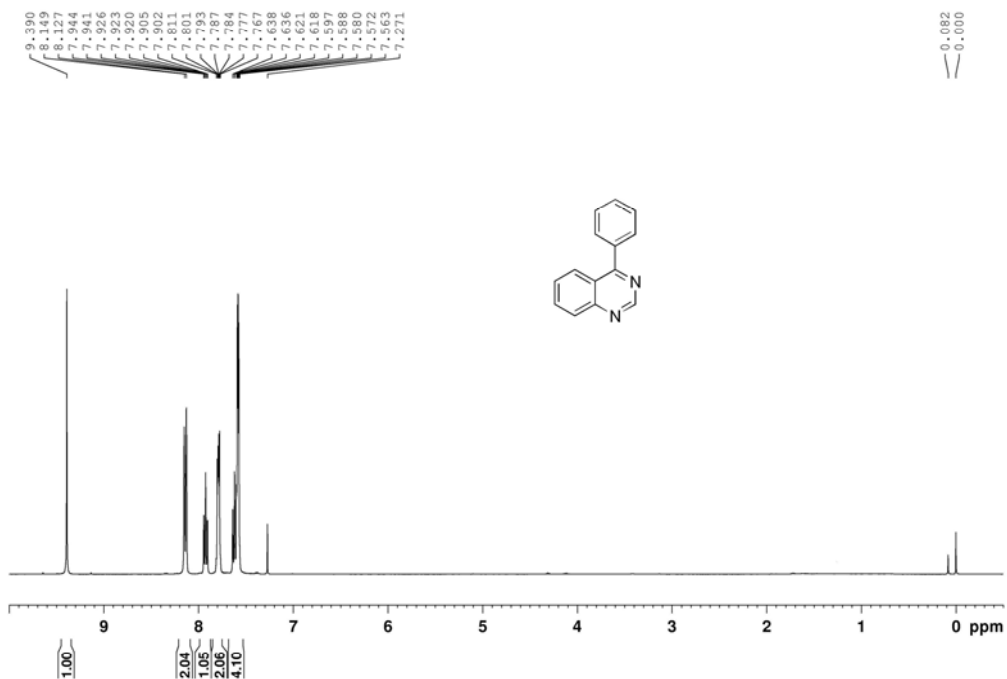
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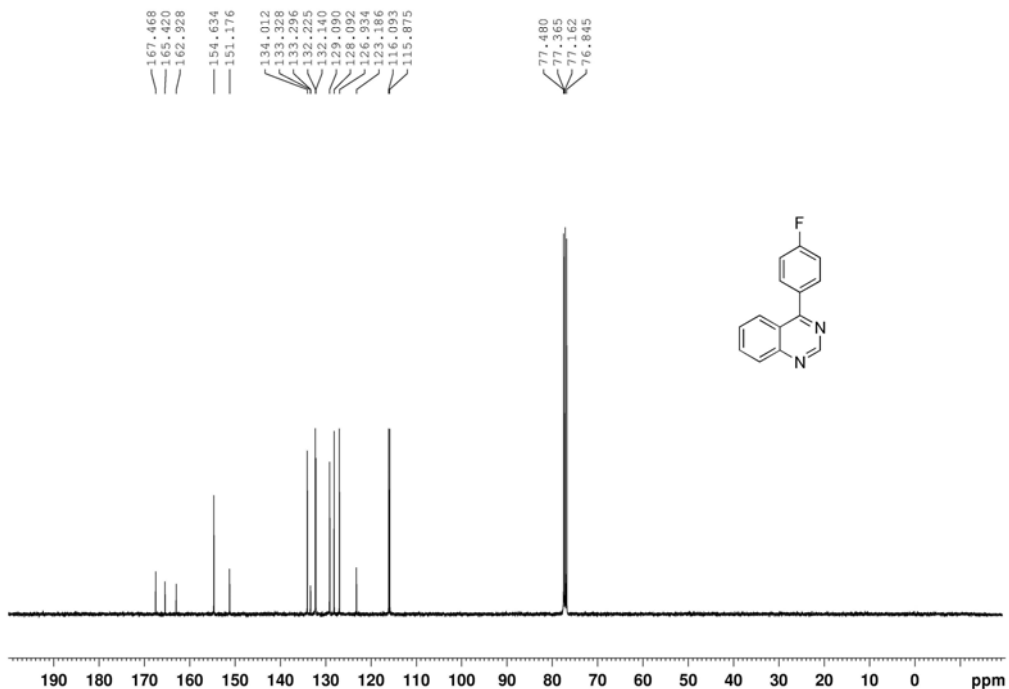
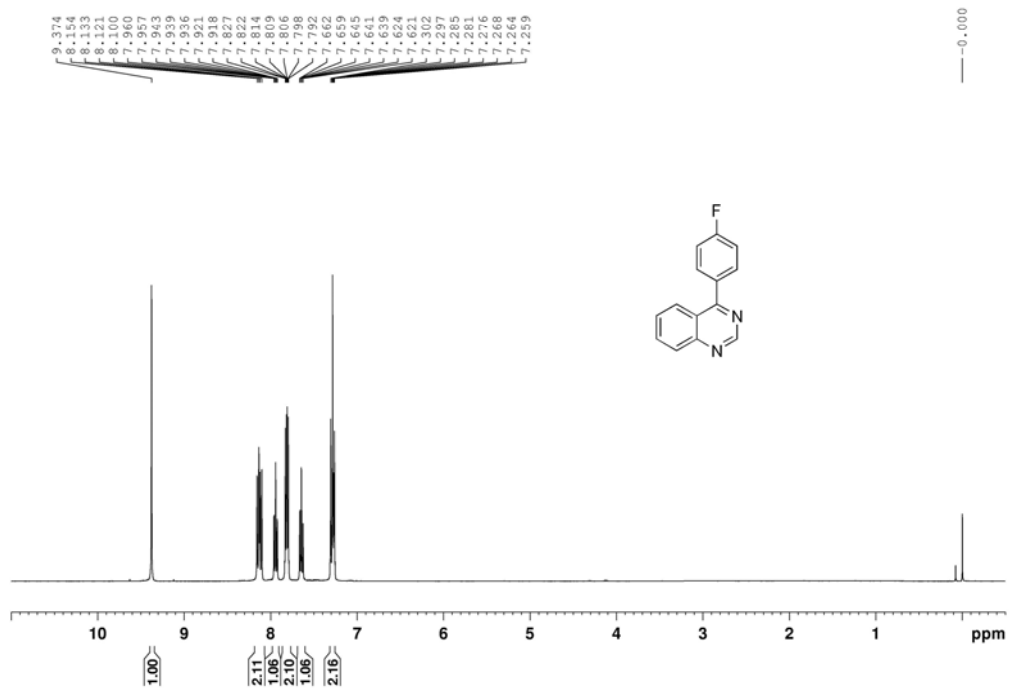
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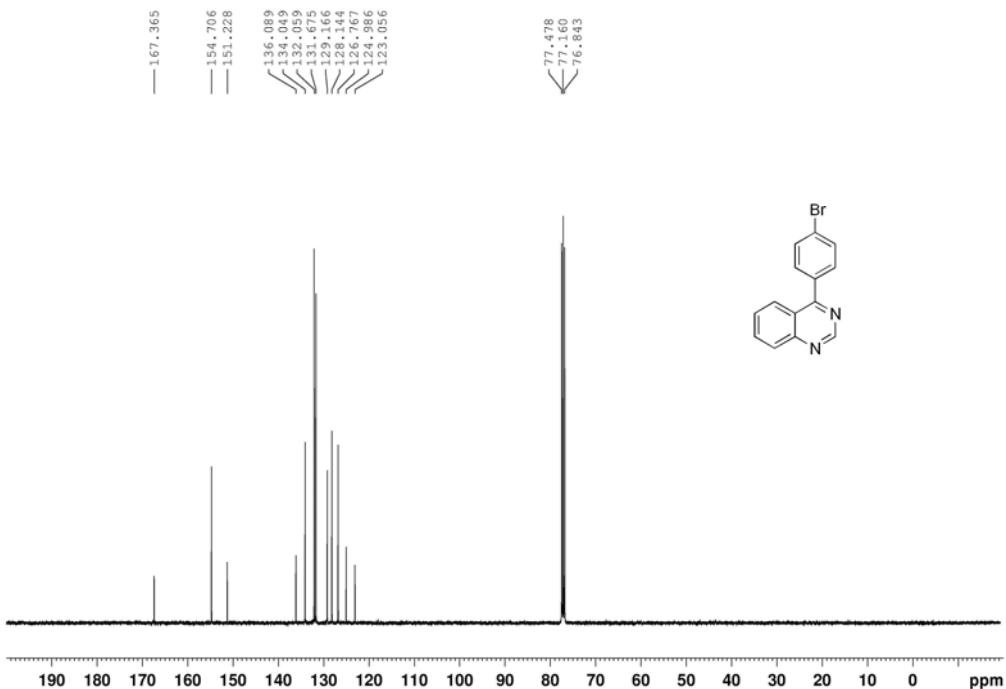
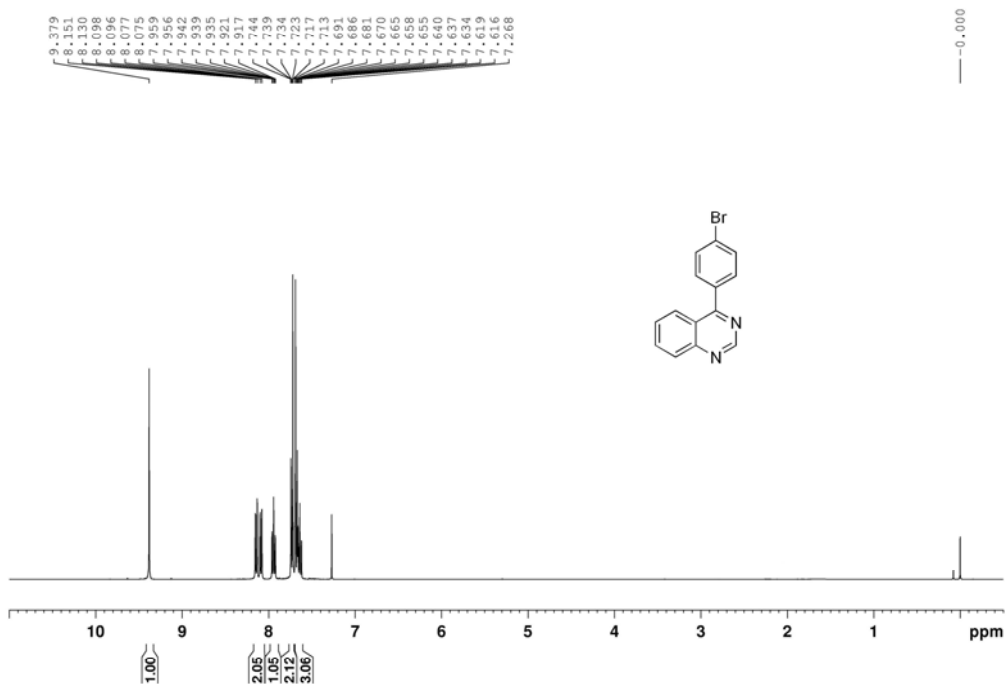
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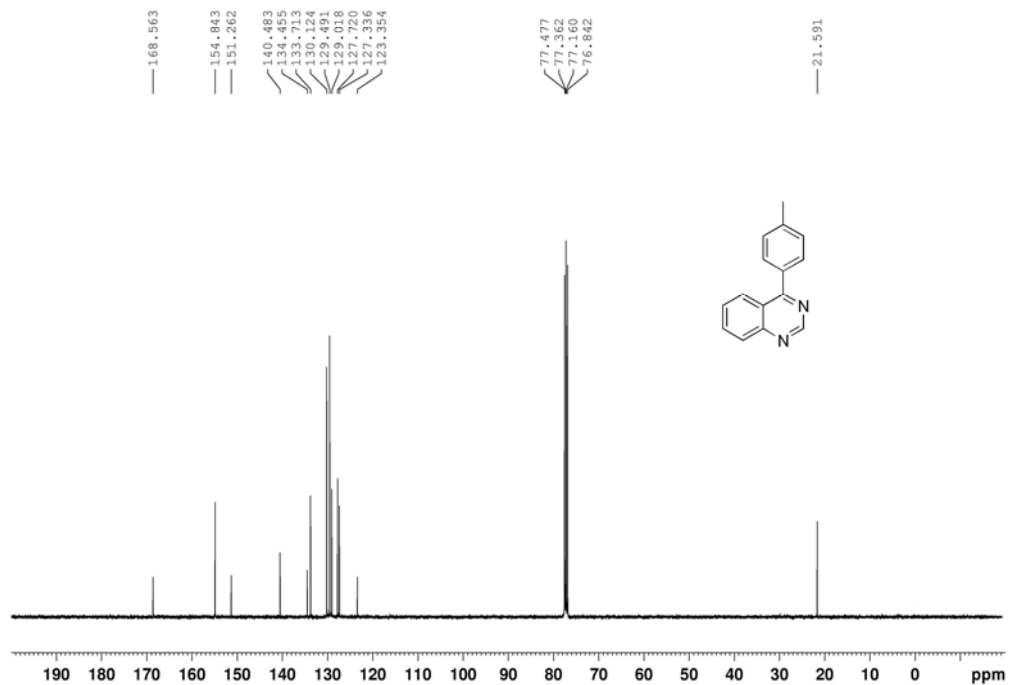
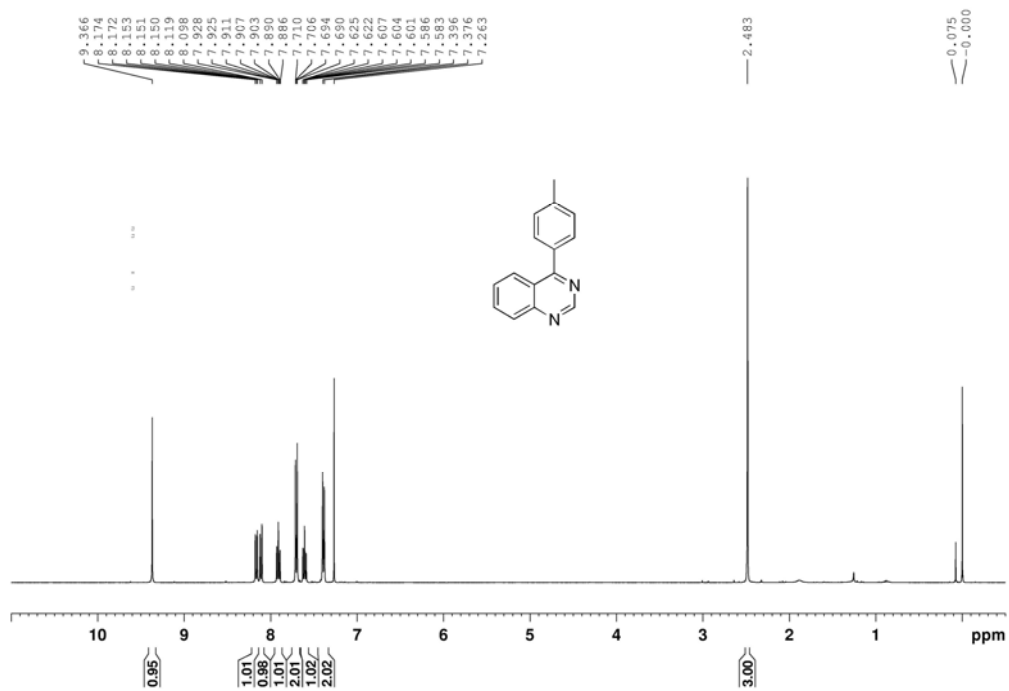
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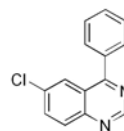
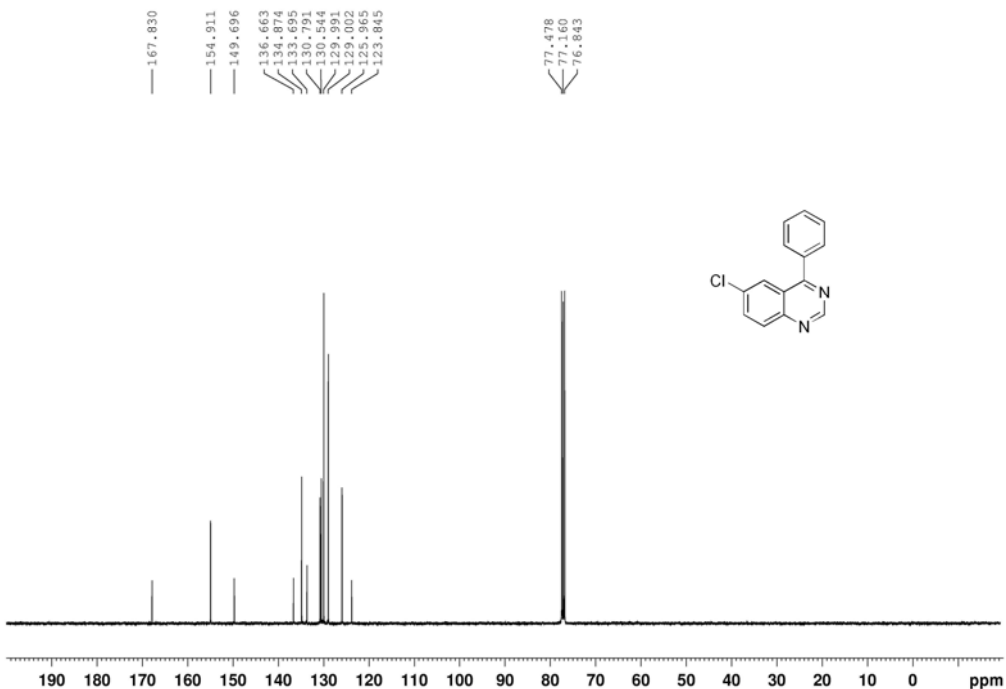
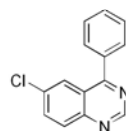
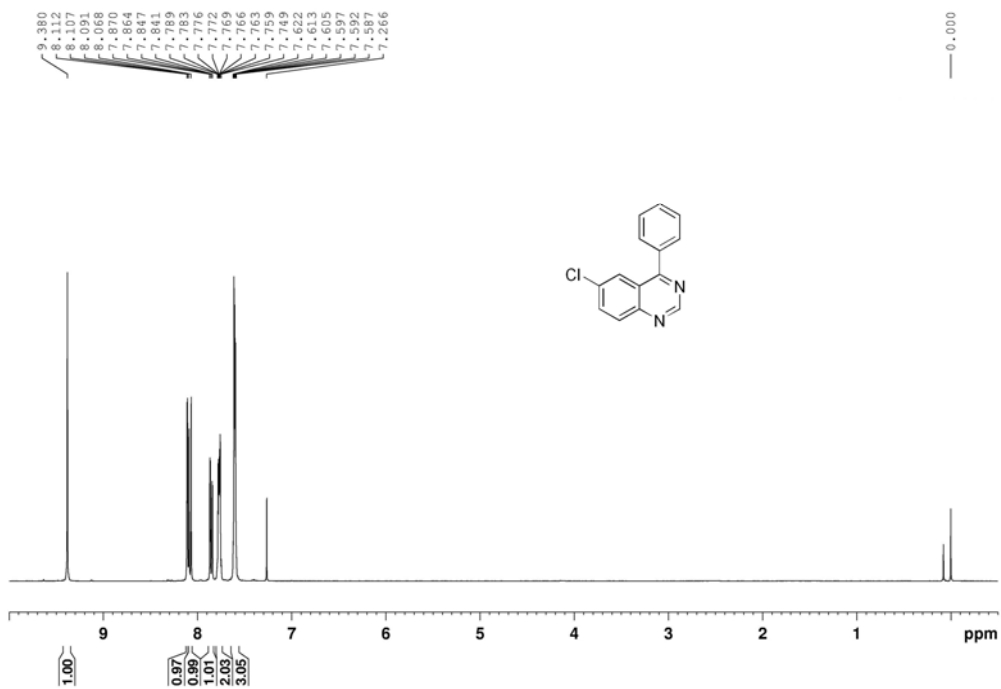
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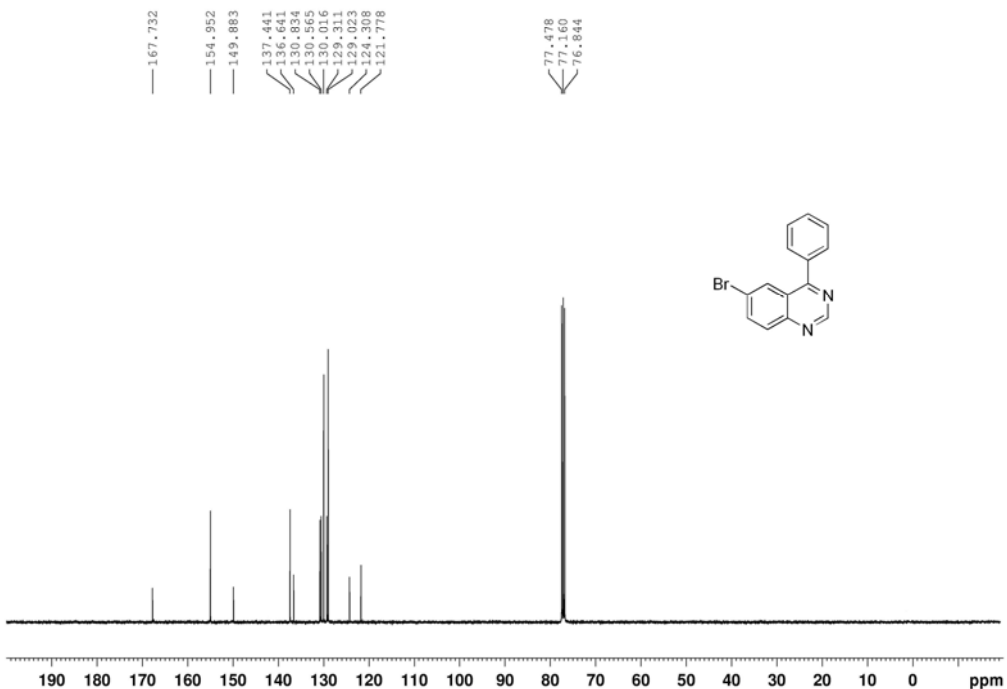
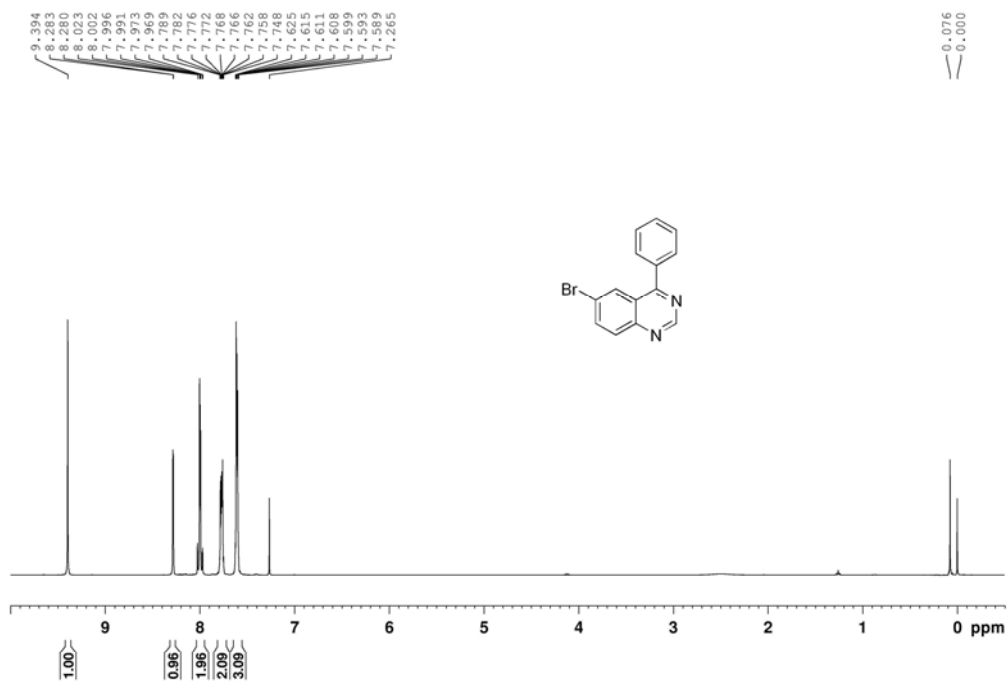


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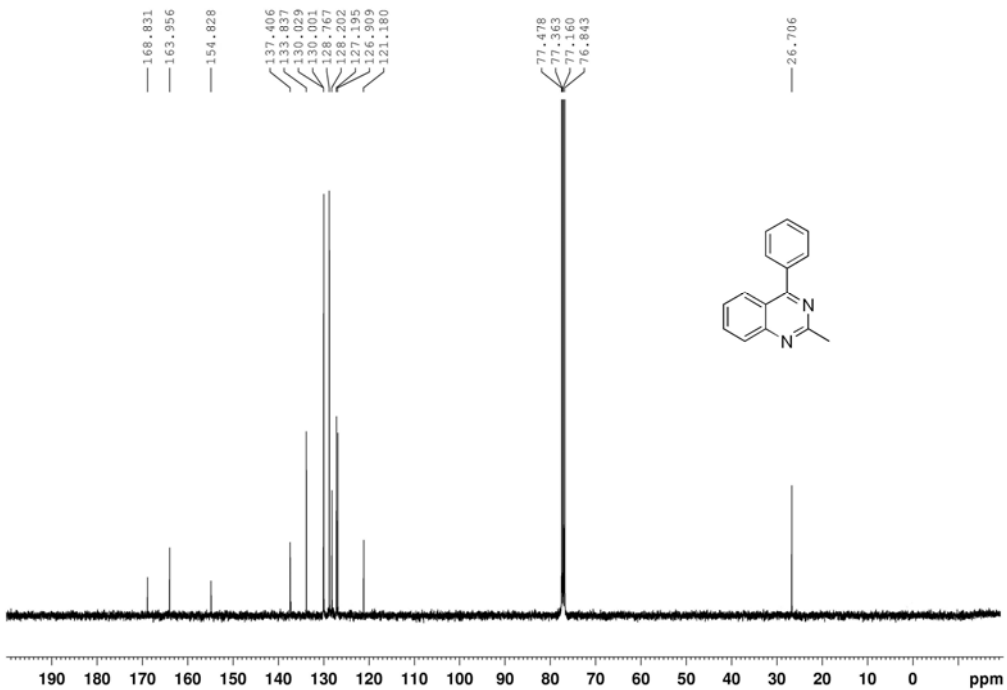
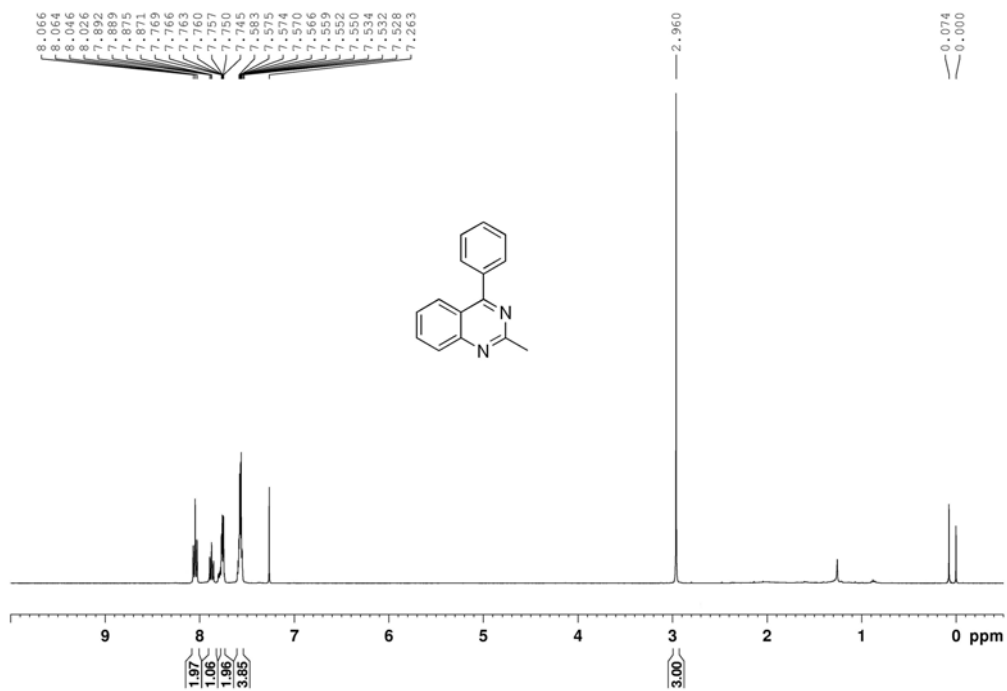




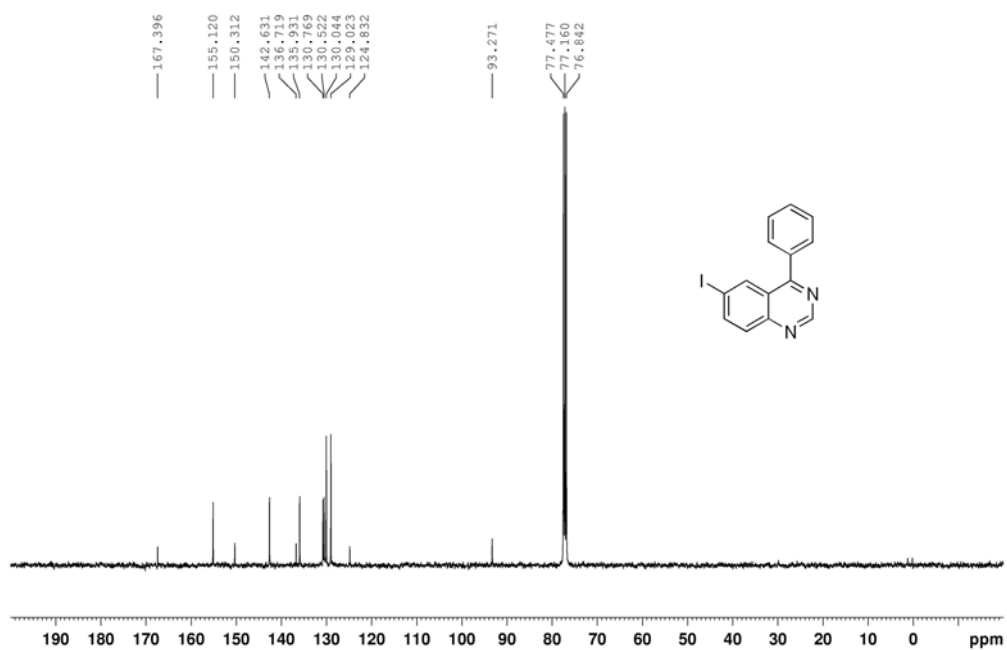
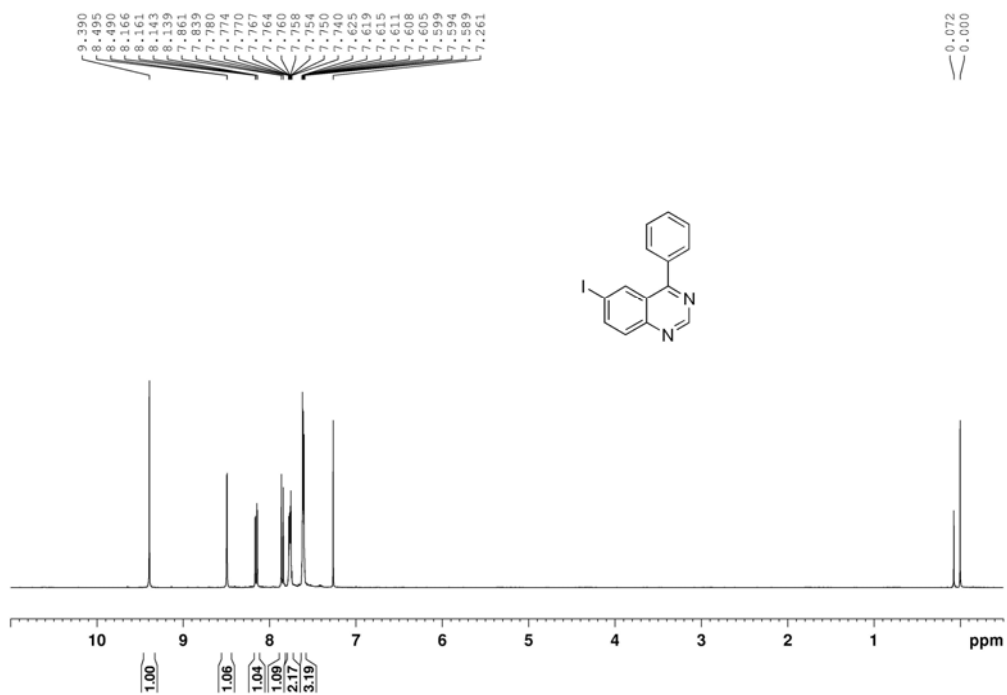
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## 2-methyl-4-phenylquinazoline (3x)



### 6-iodo-4-phenylquinazoline (4r)



## 2-(4-phenylquinazolin-2-yl)propan-2-ol (4y)

