

## ***Supporting Information***

### **Construction of Chiral Chroman Scaffolds via Catalytic Asymmetric (4+2) Cyclizations of *para*-Quinone Methide Derivatives with 3-Vinylindoles**

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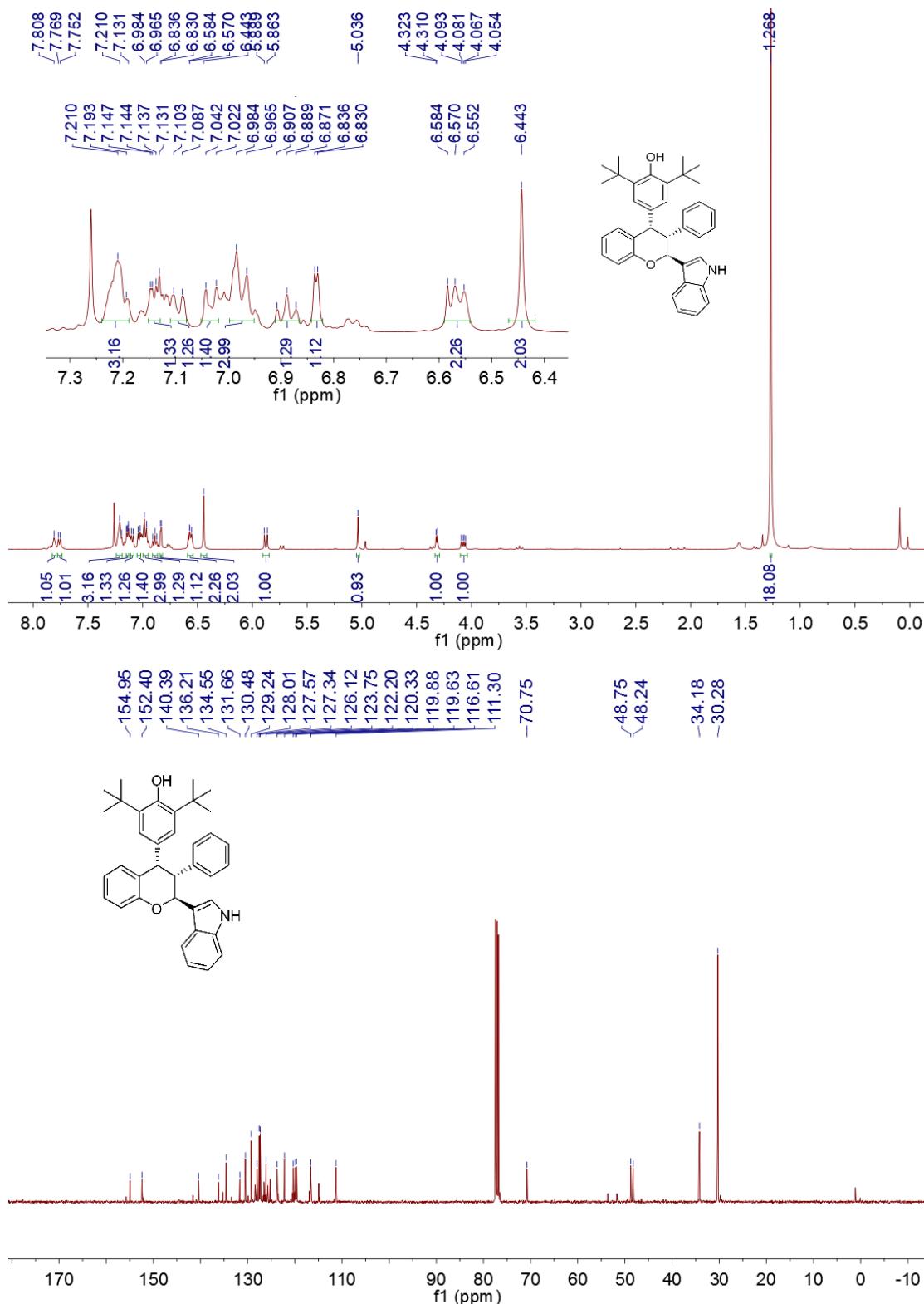
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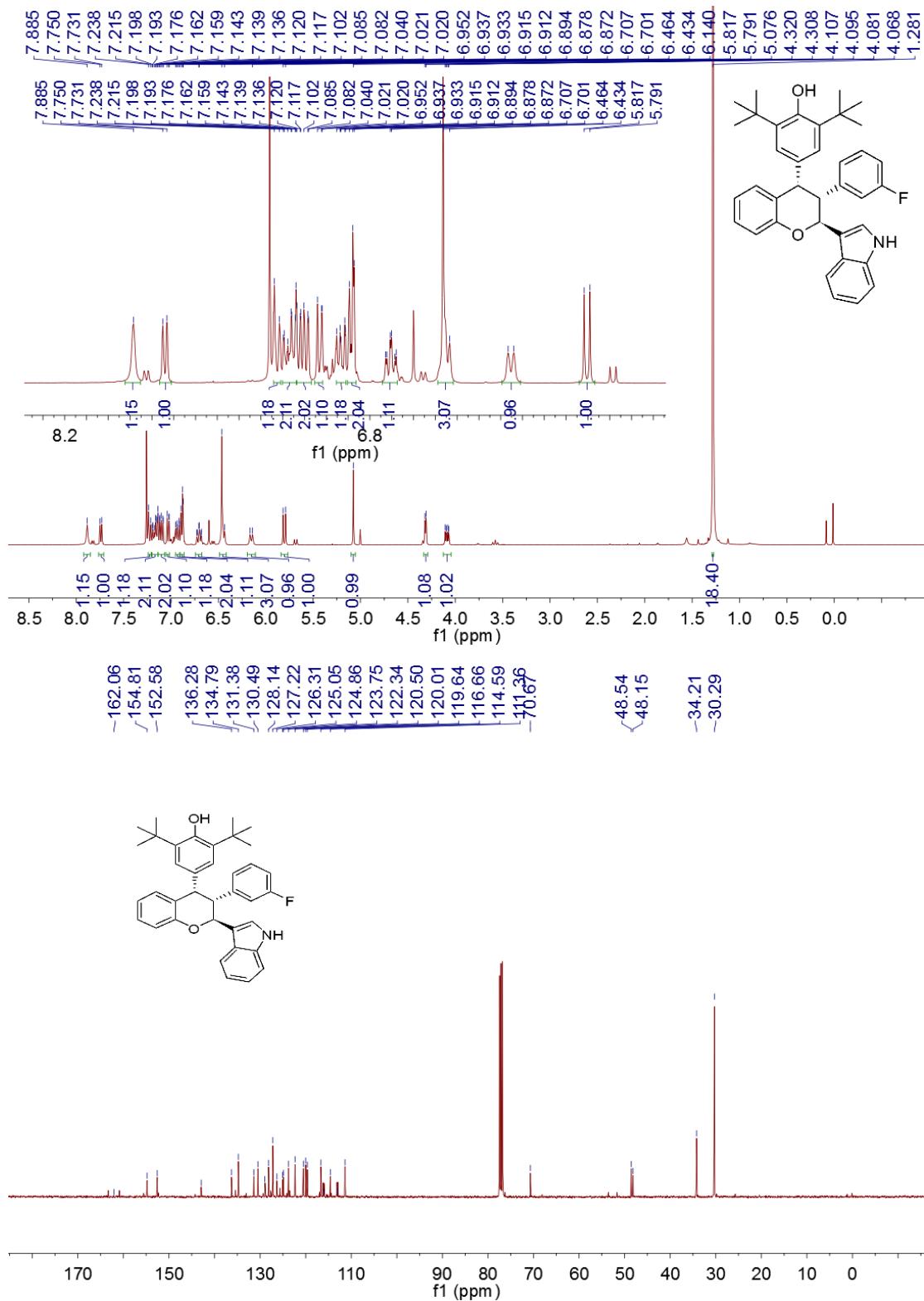
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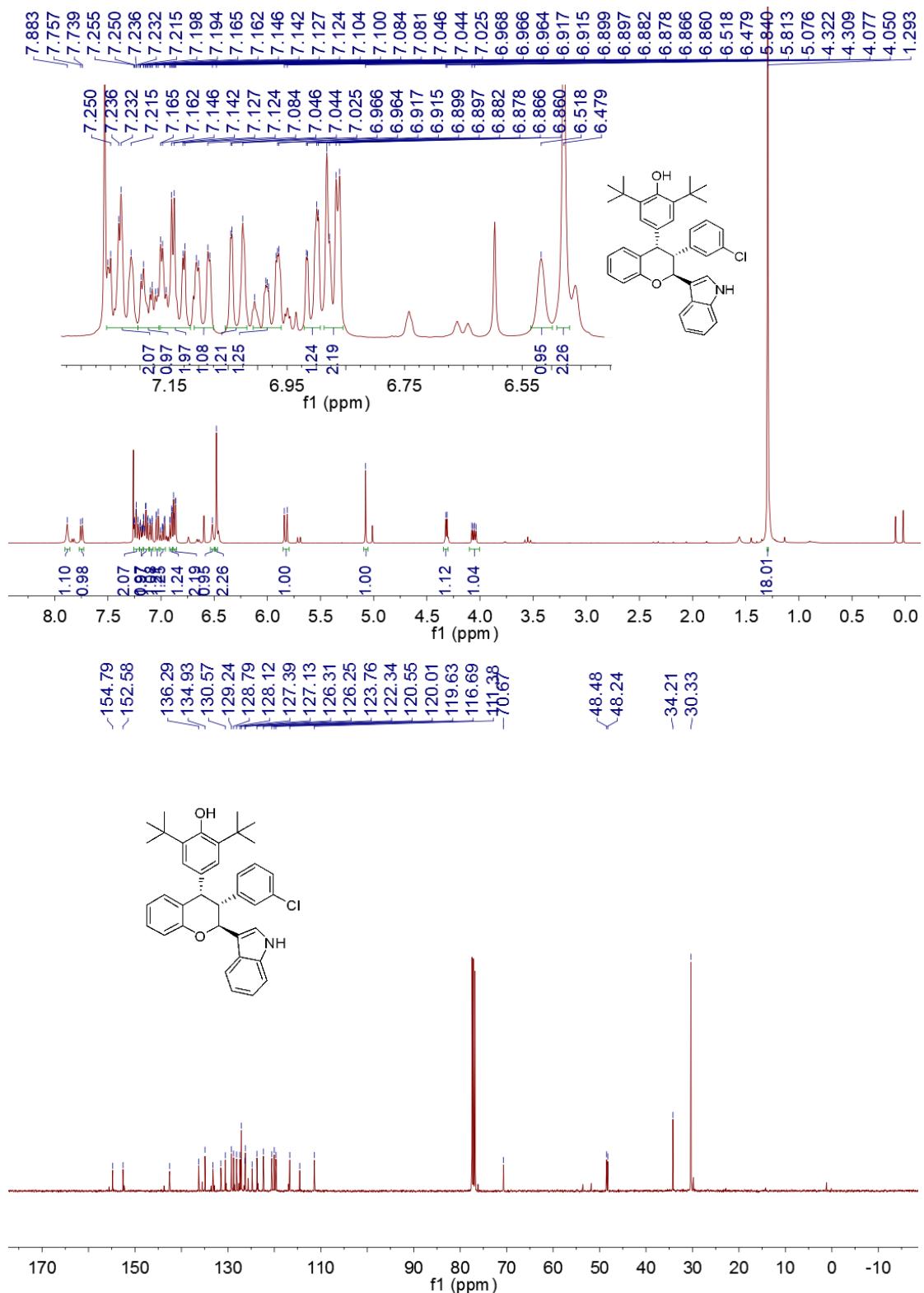
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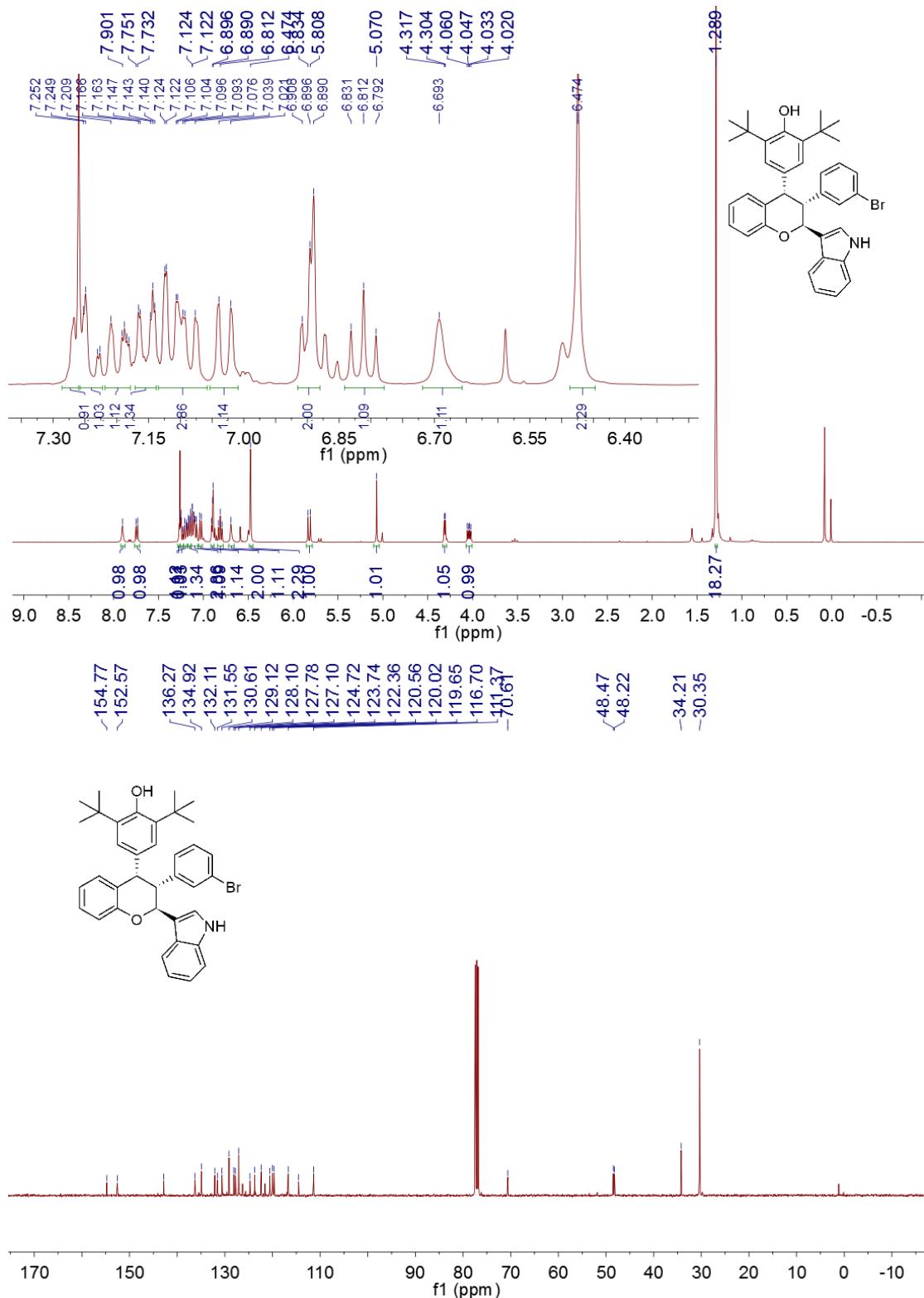
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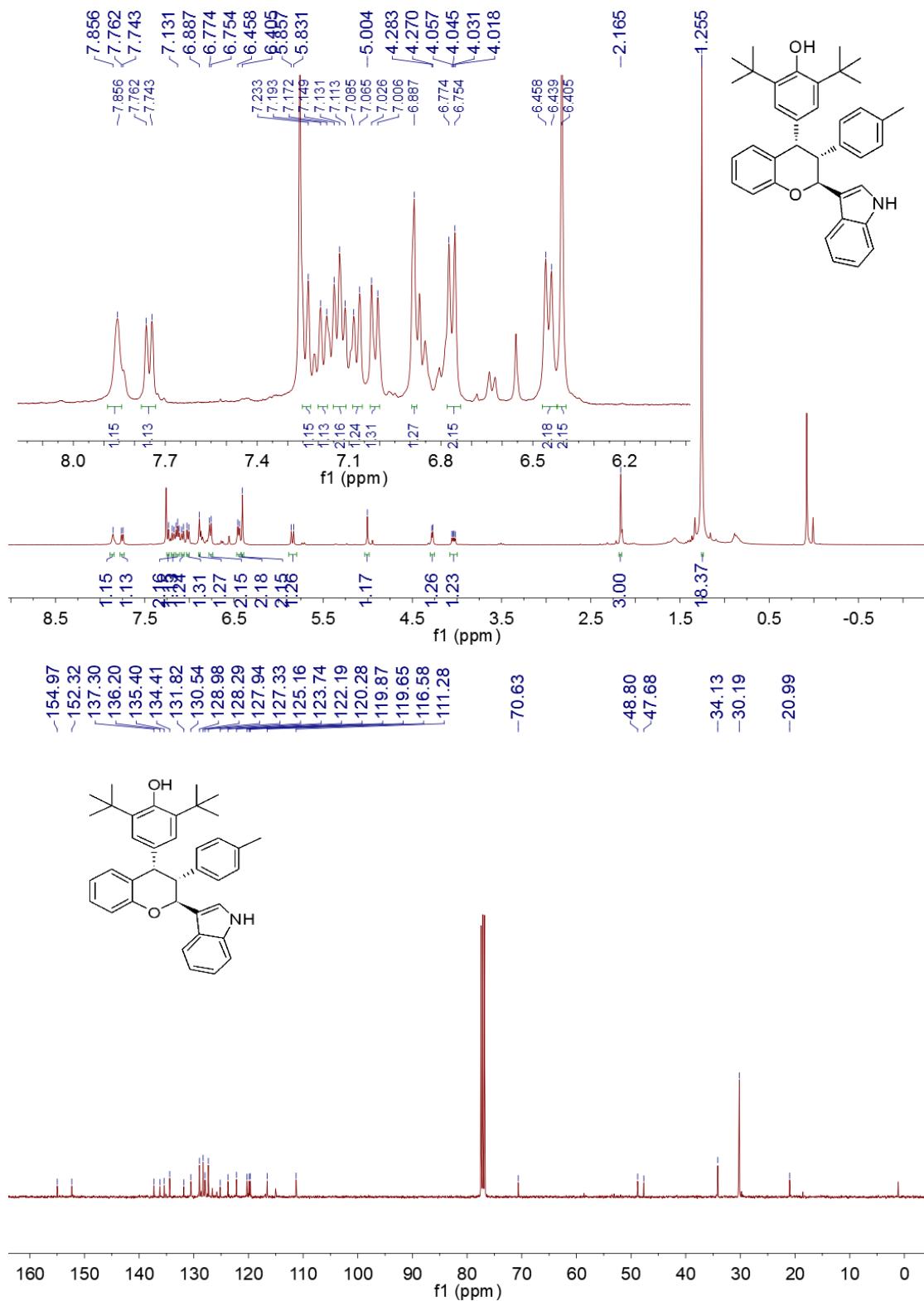
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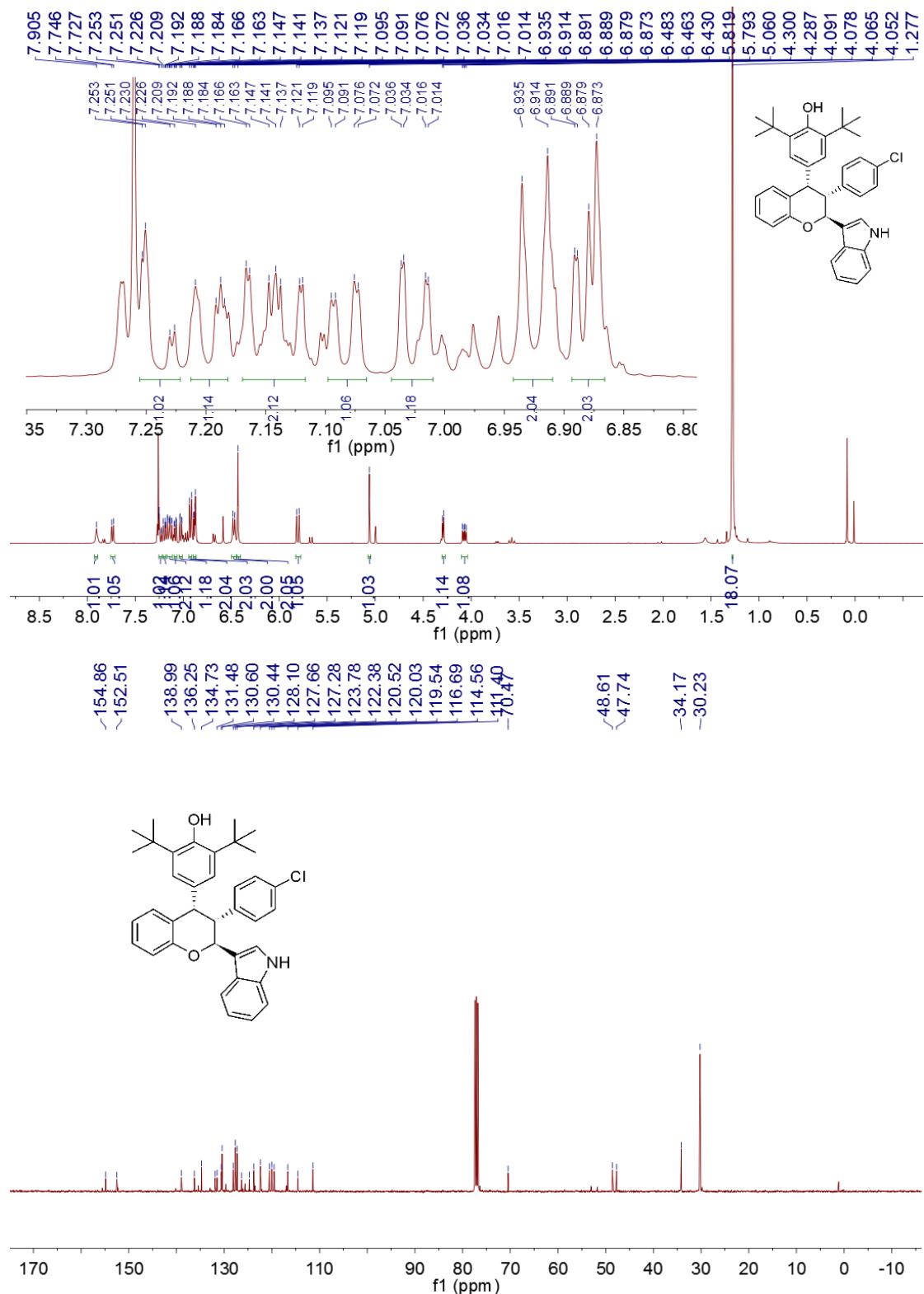
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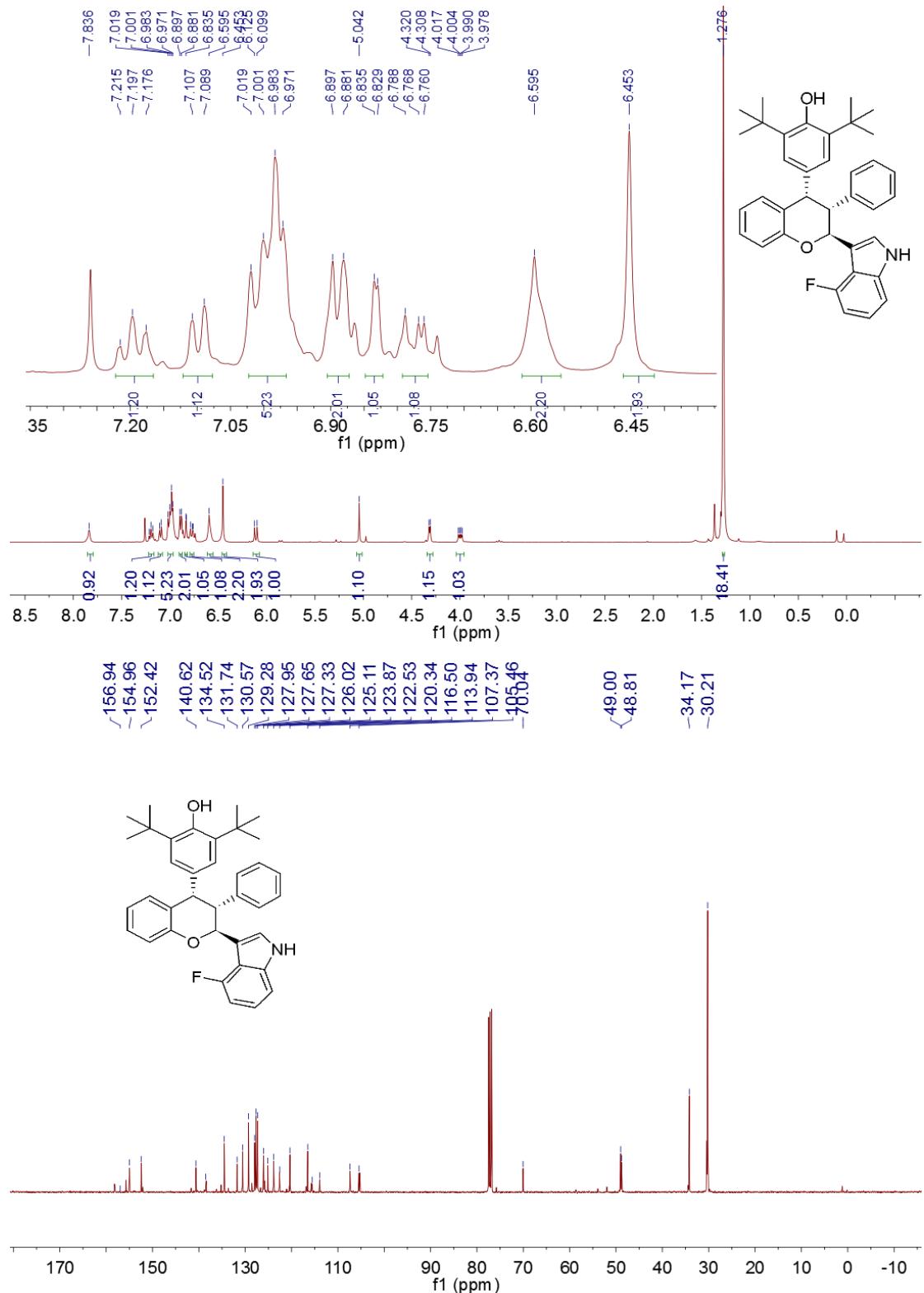
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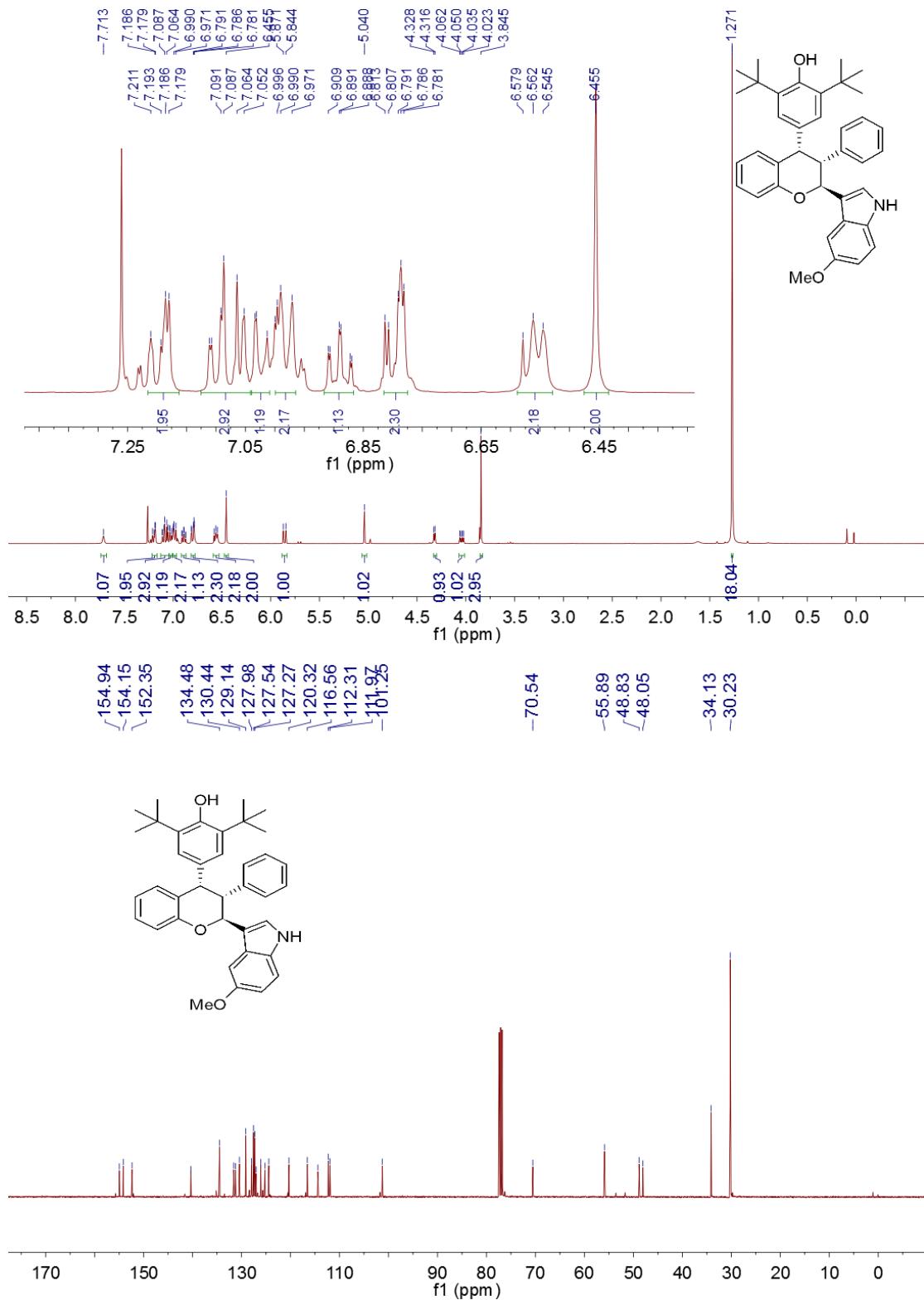
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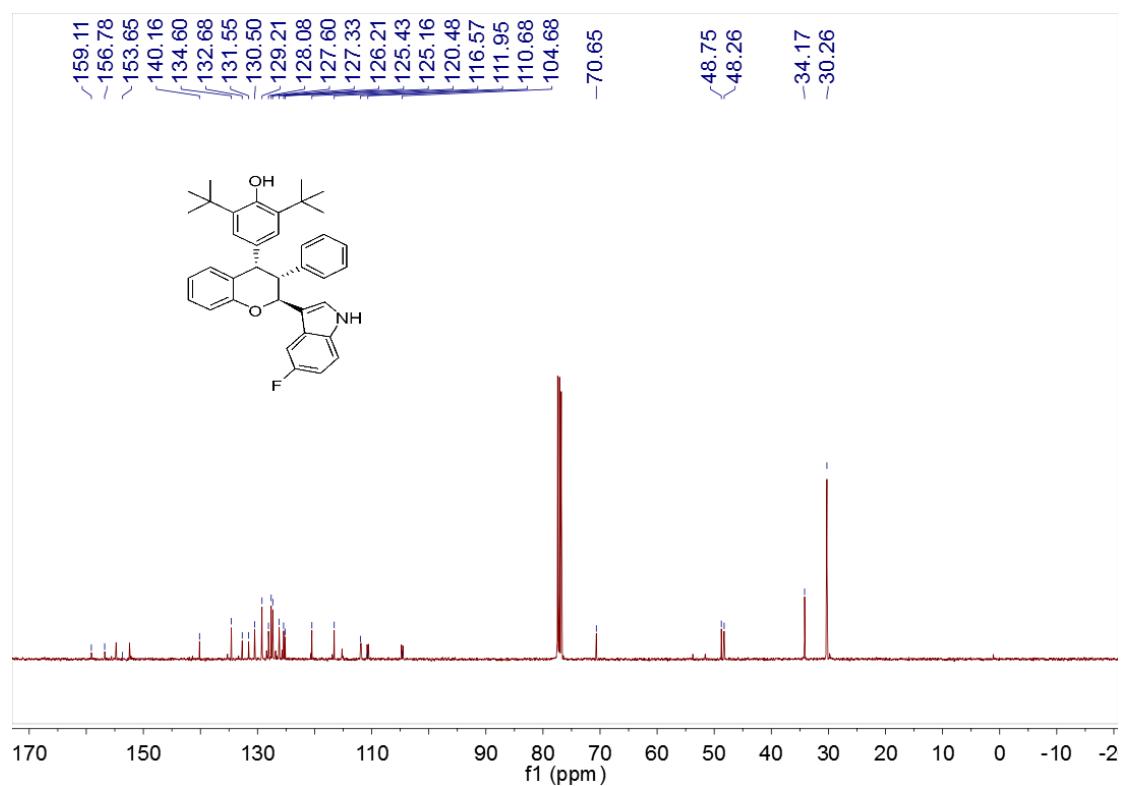
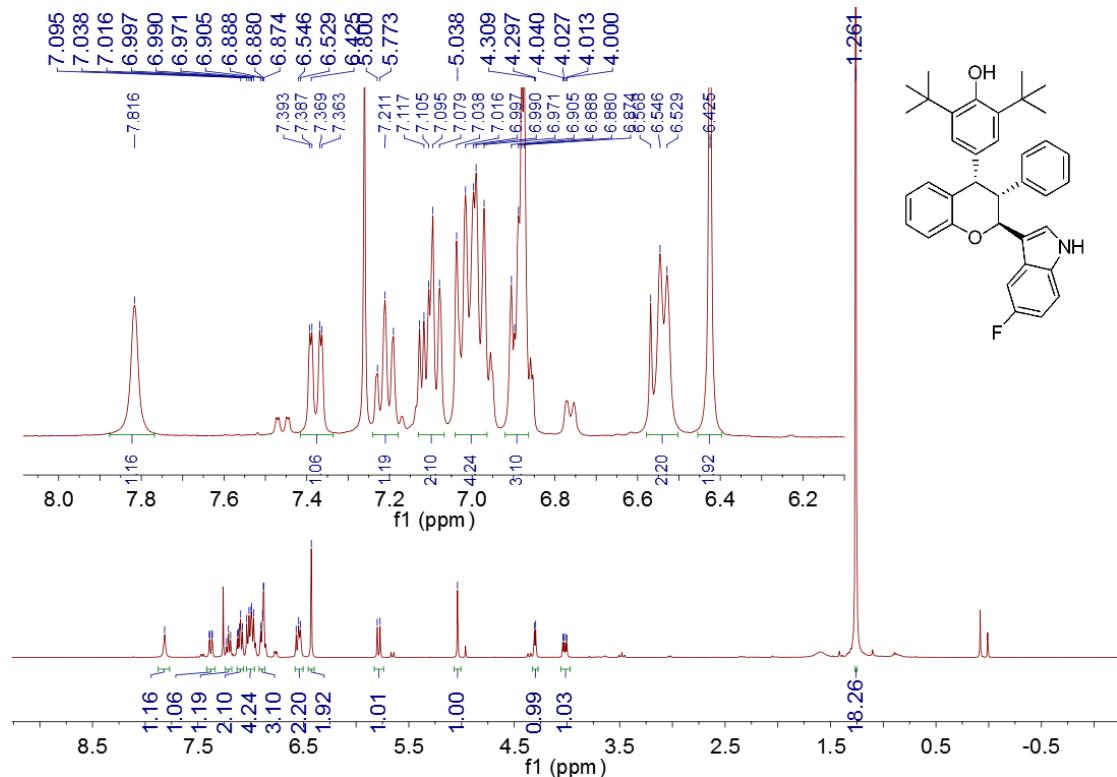
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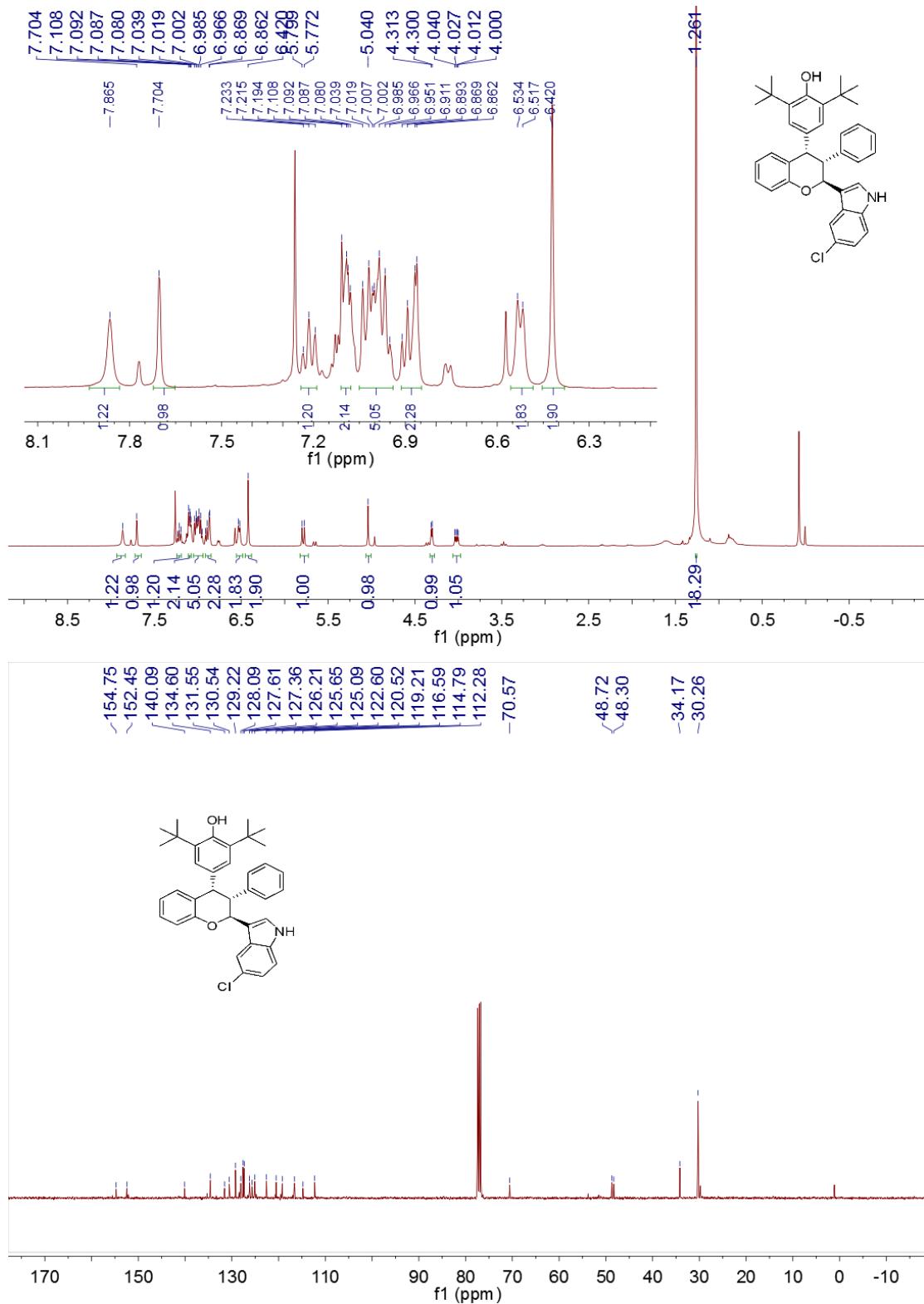
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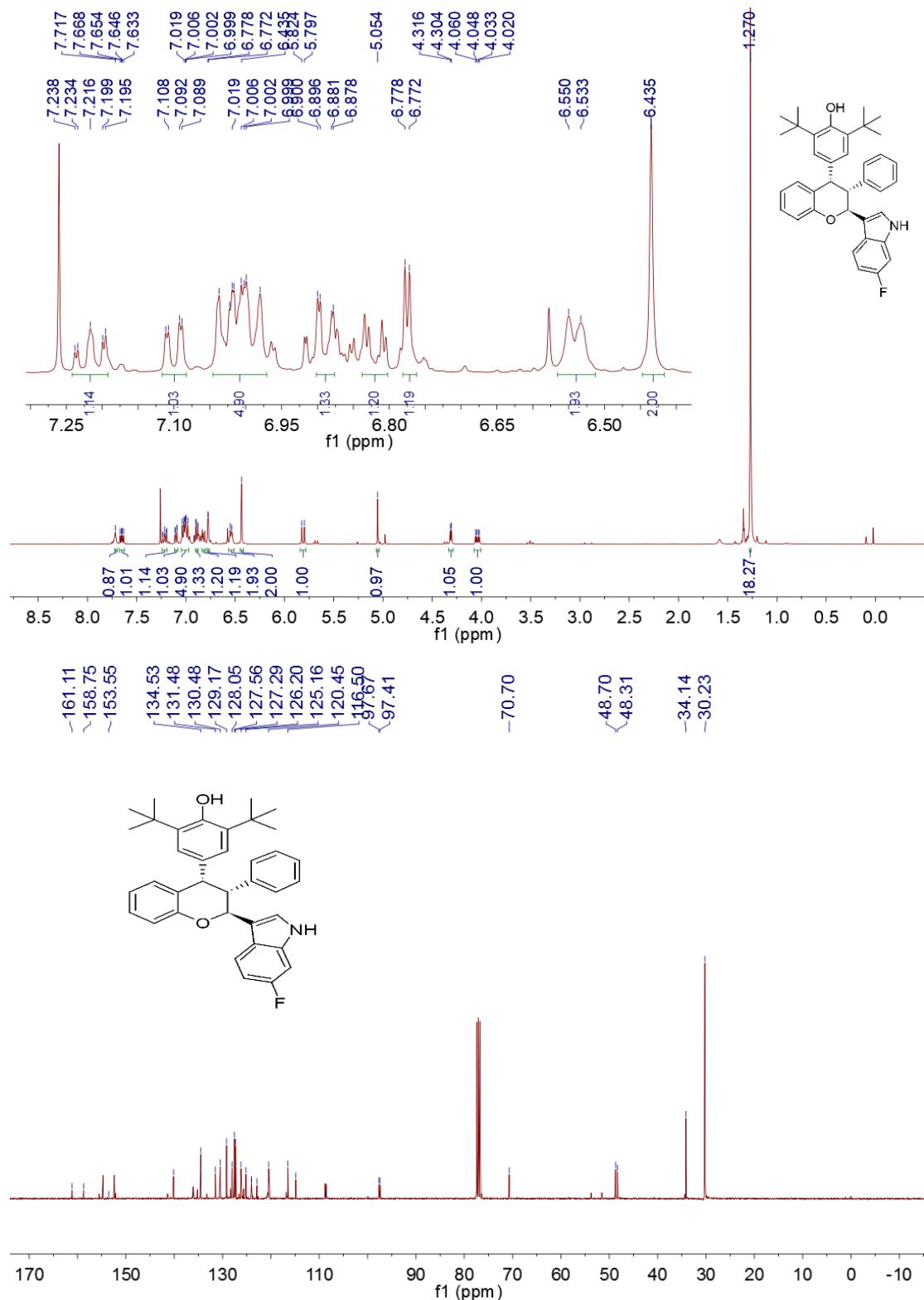
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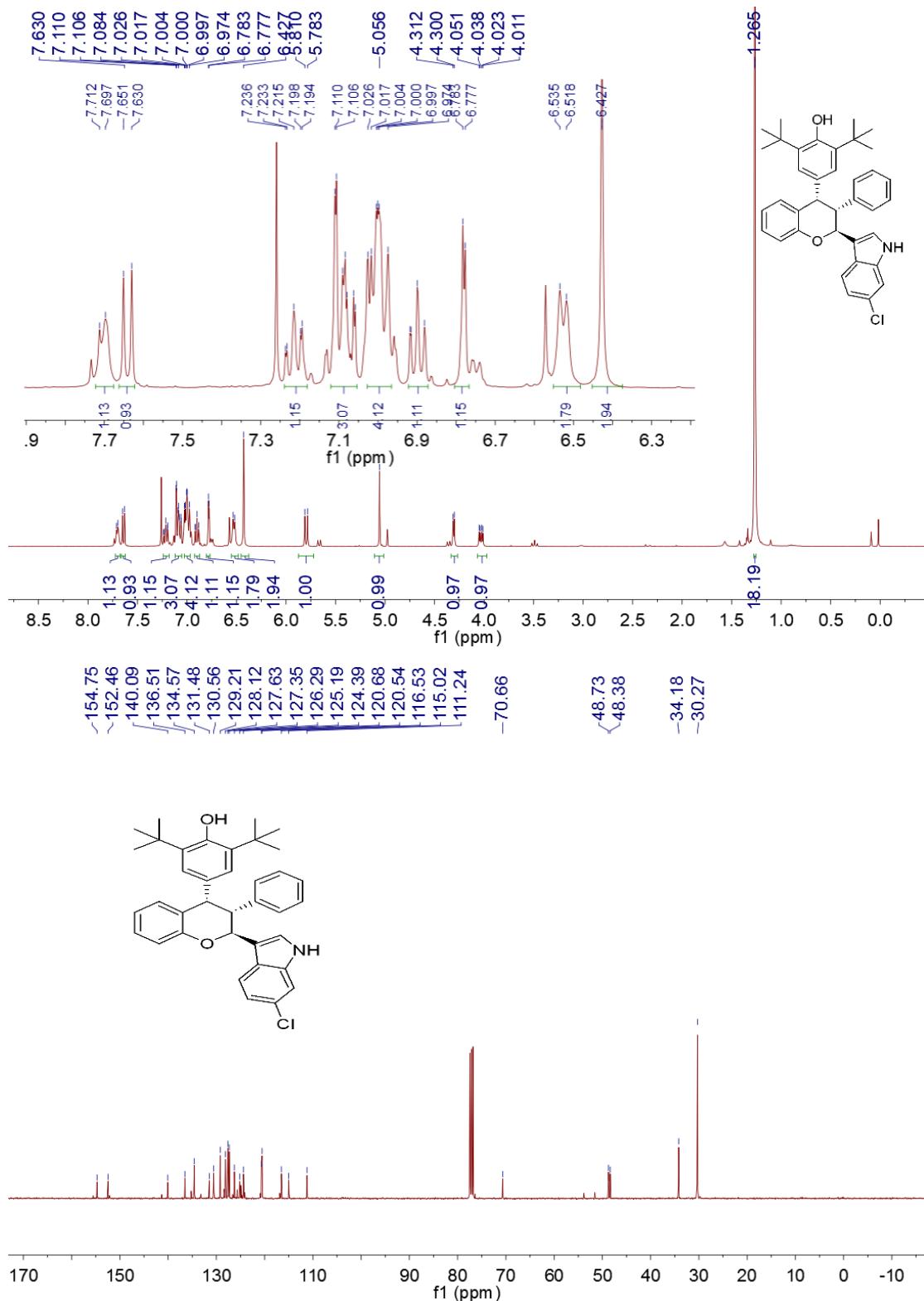
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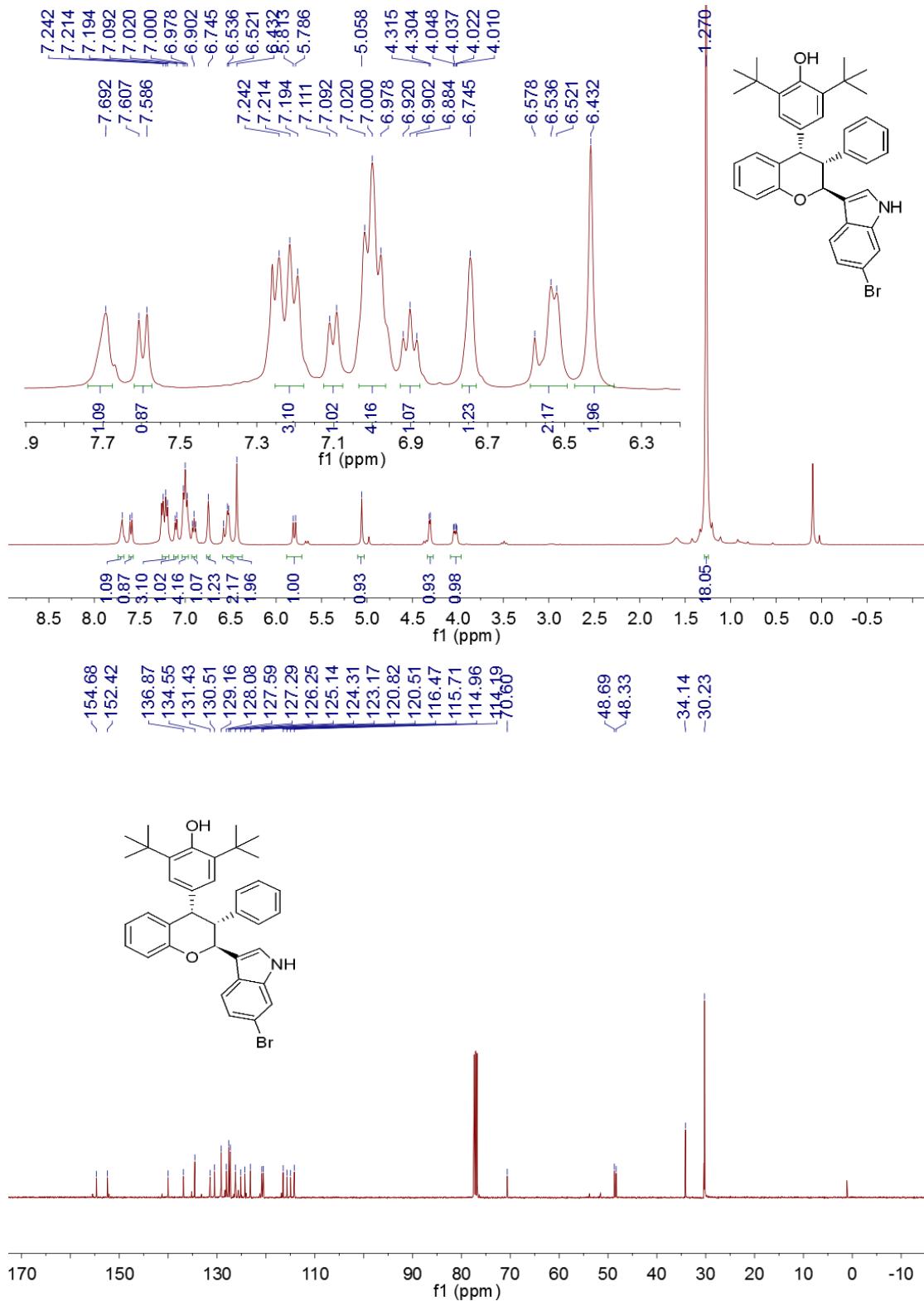
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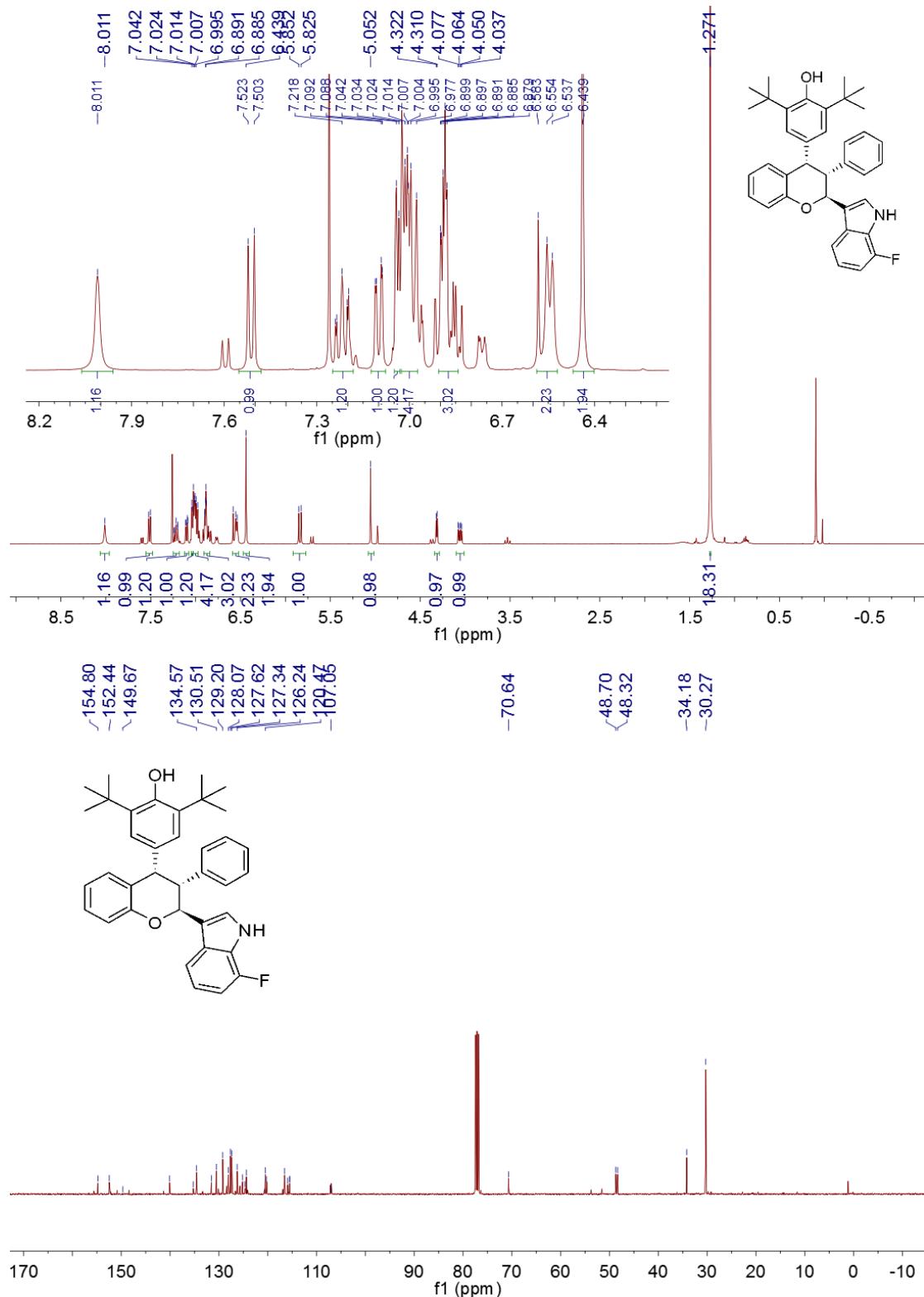
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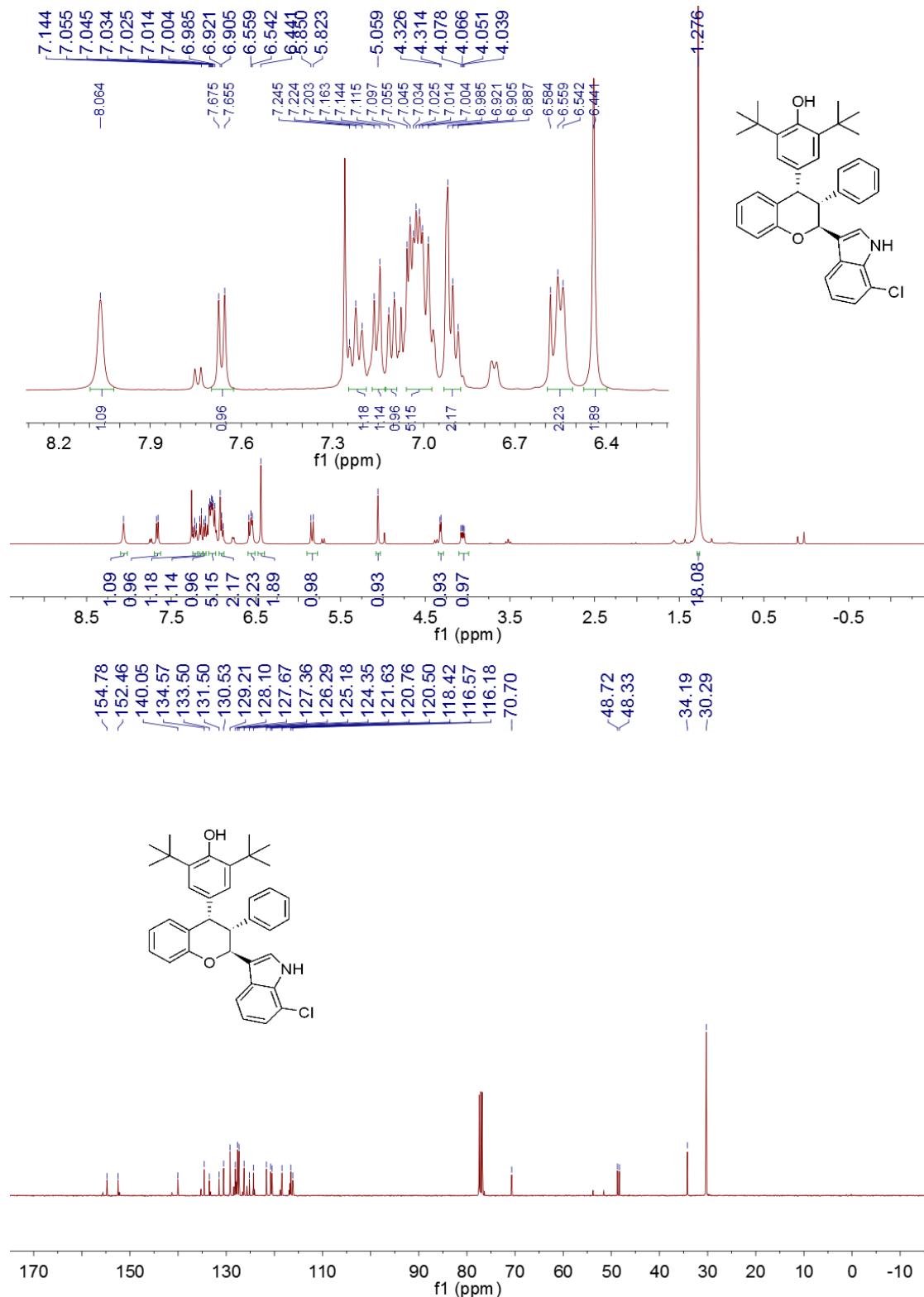
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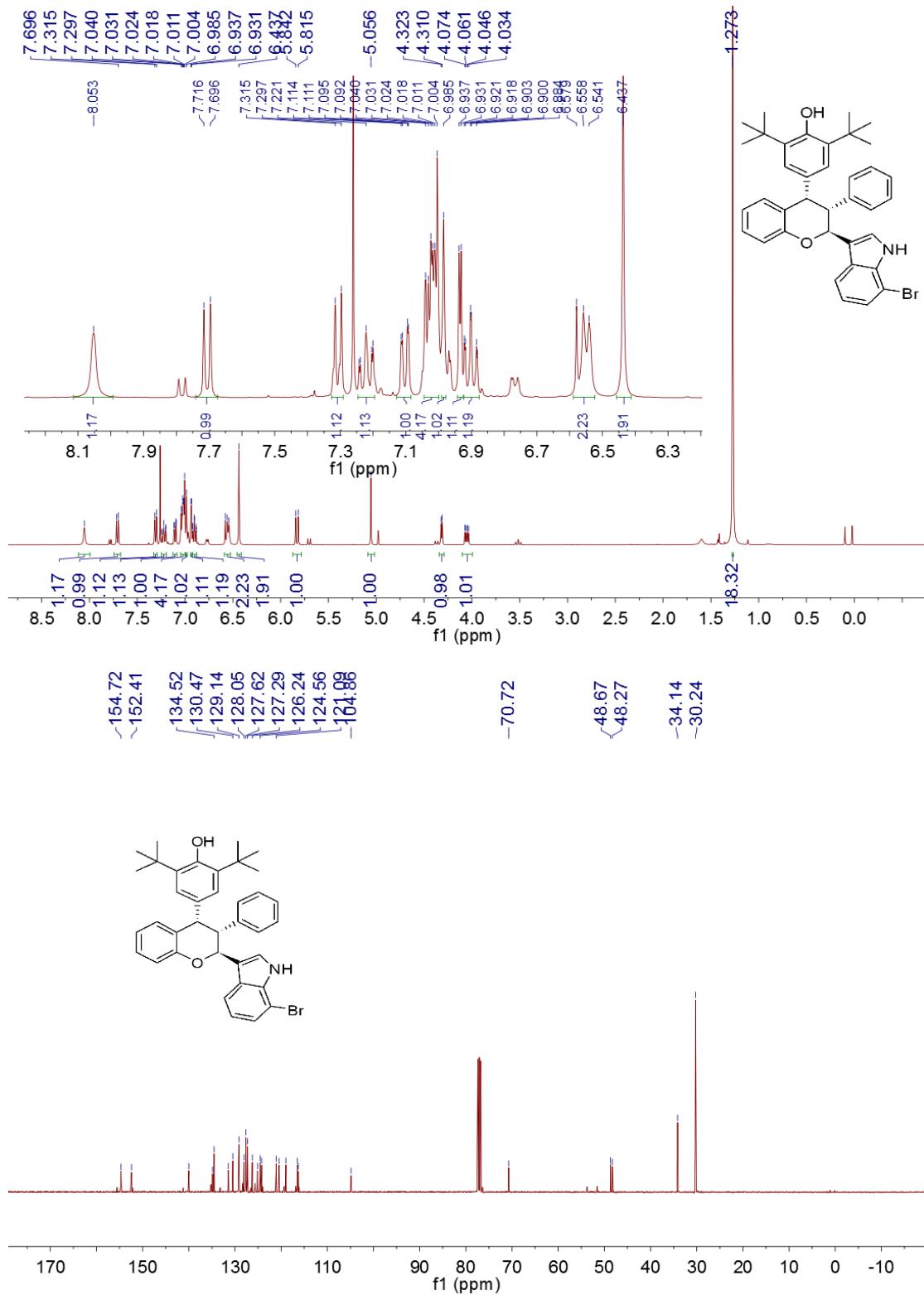
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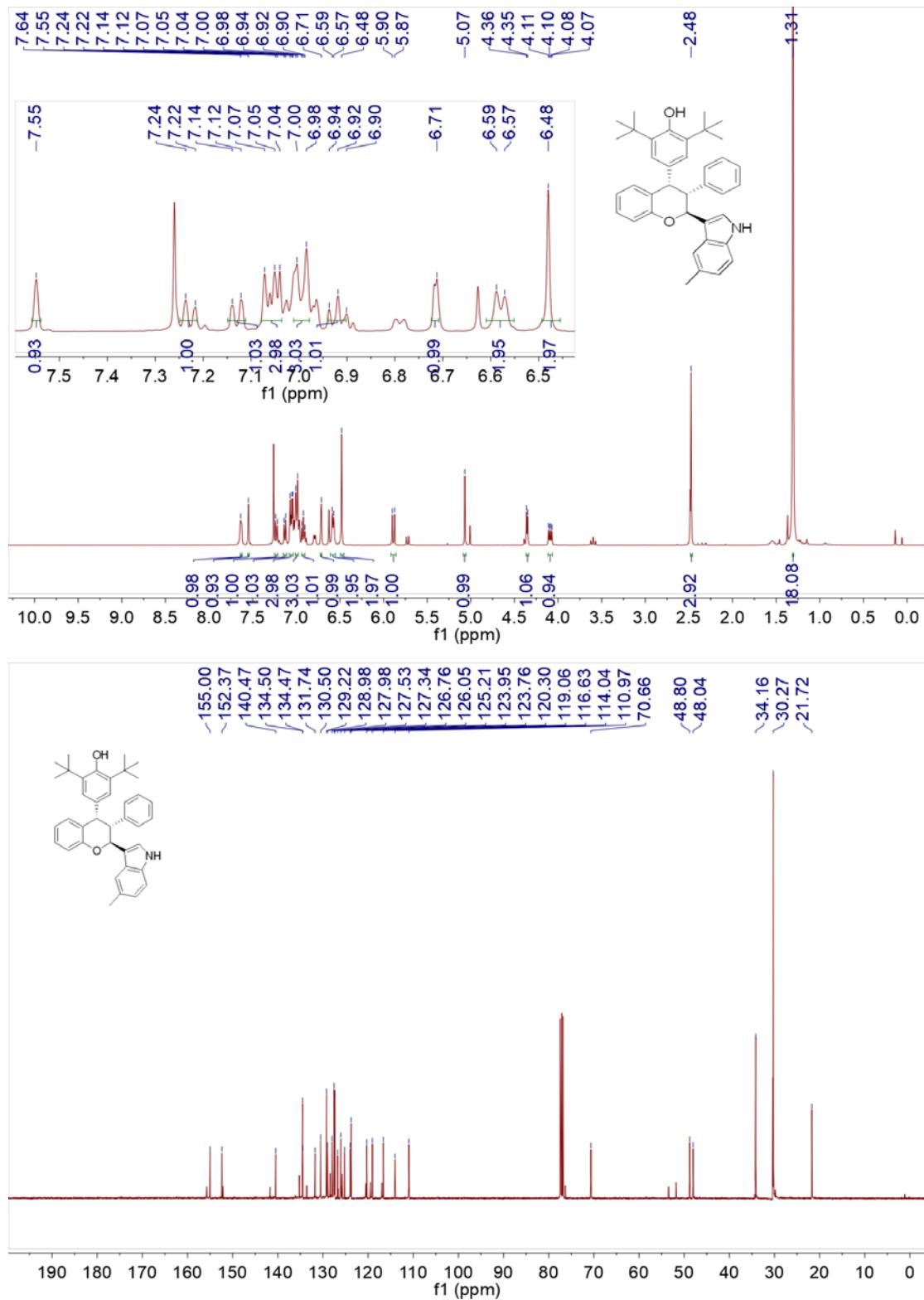
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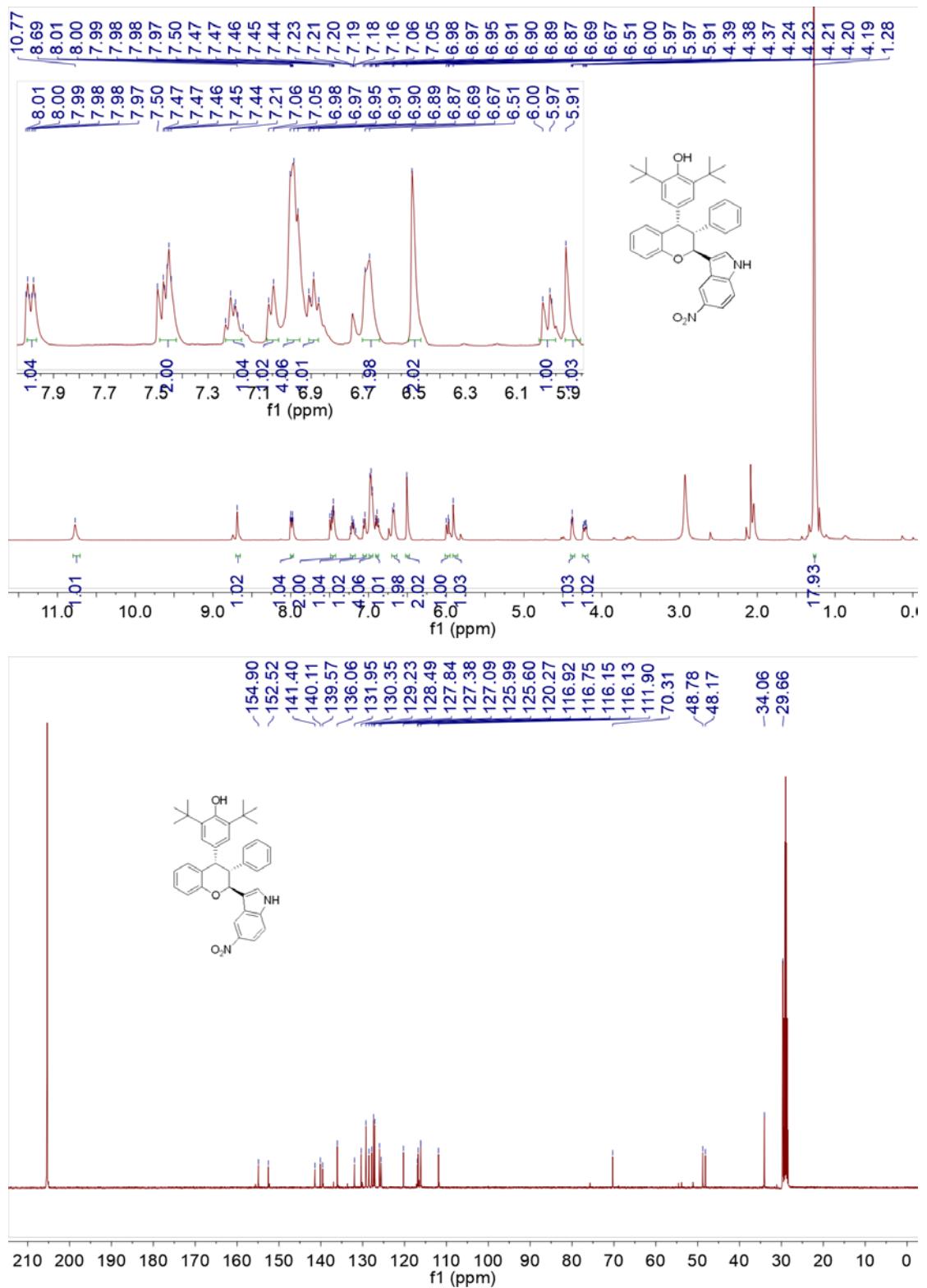
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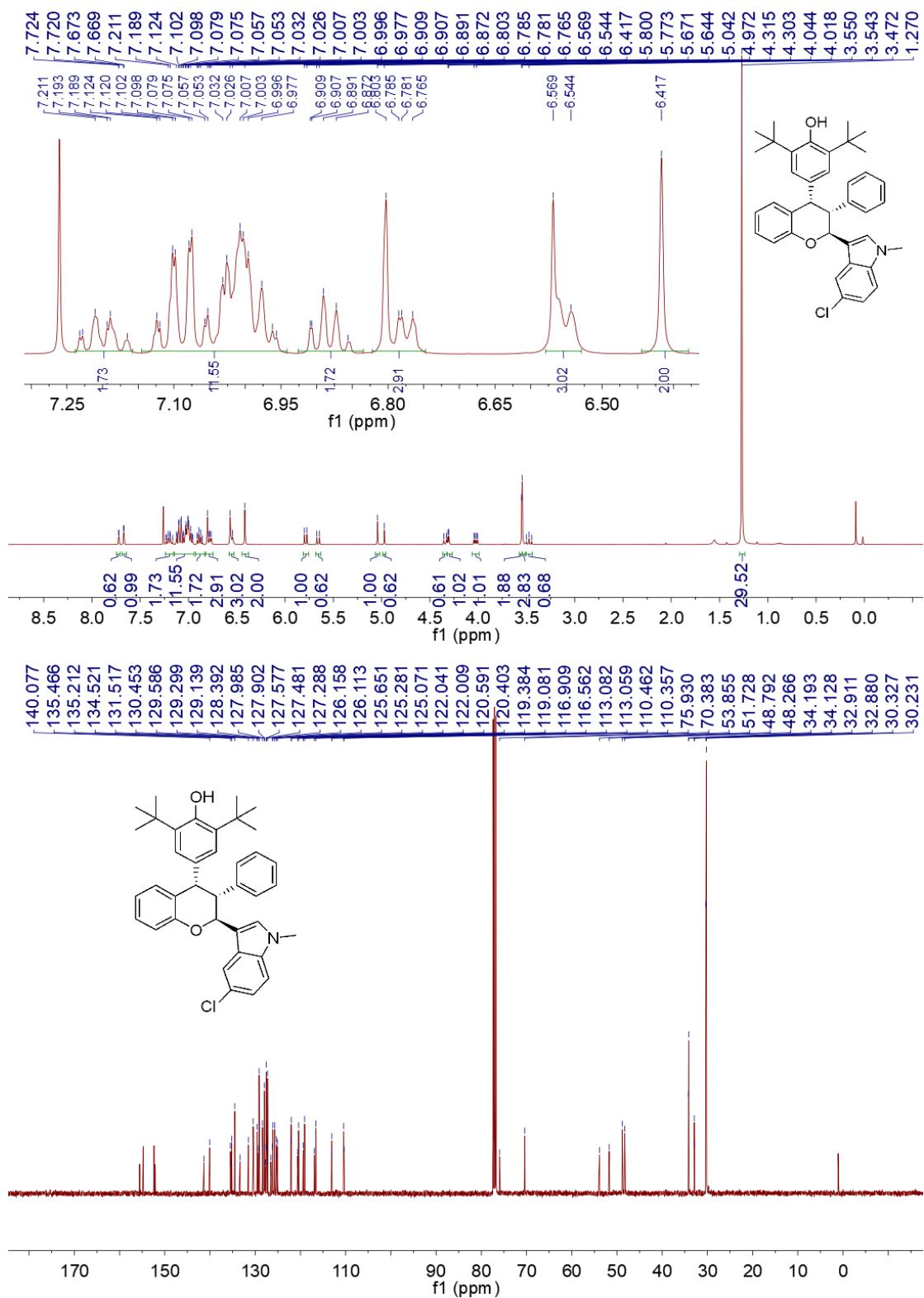
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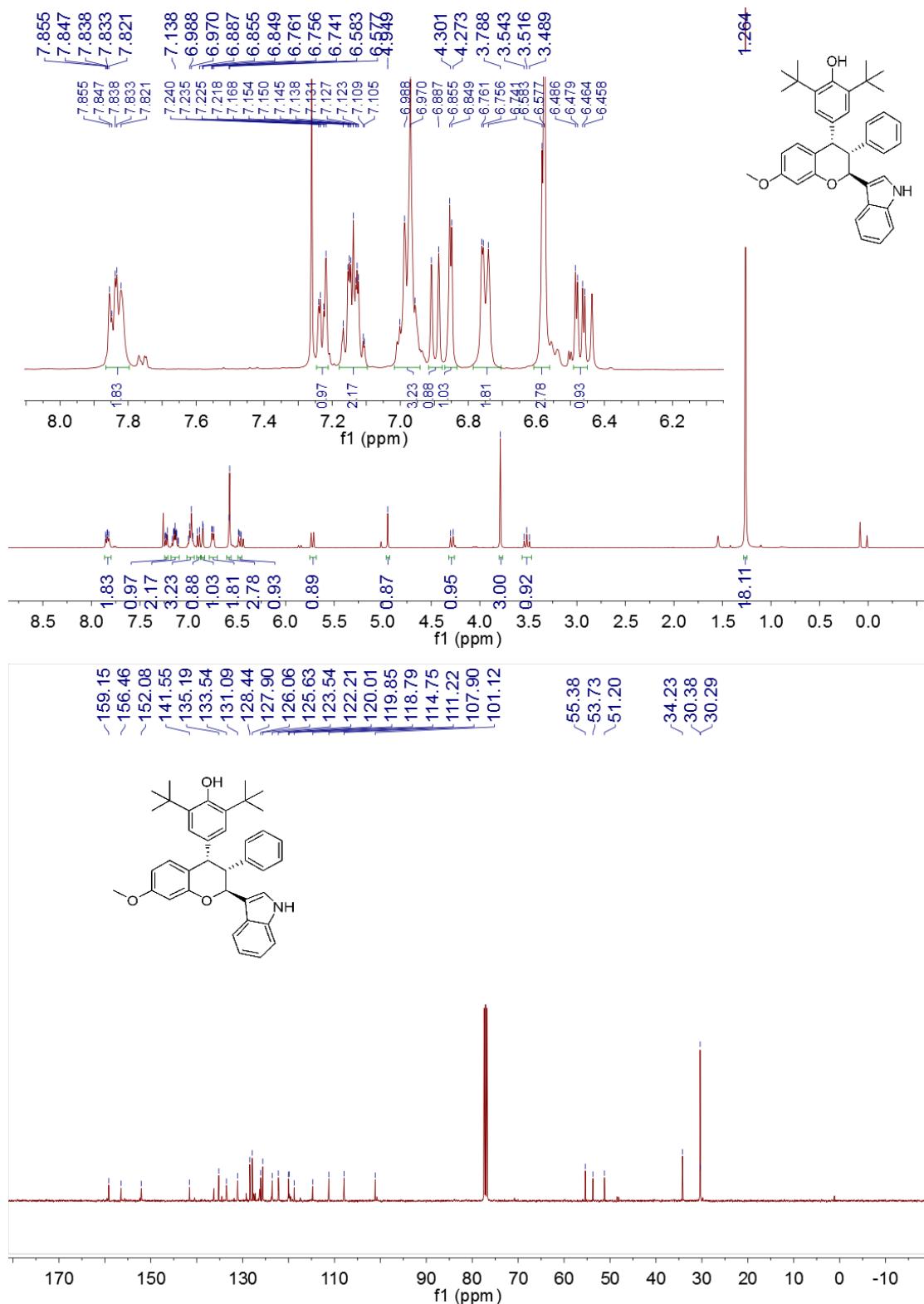
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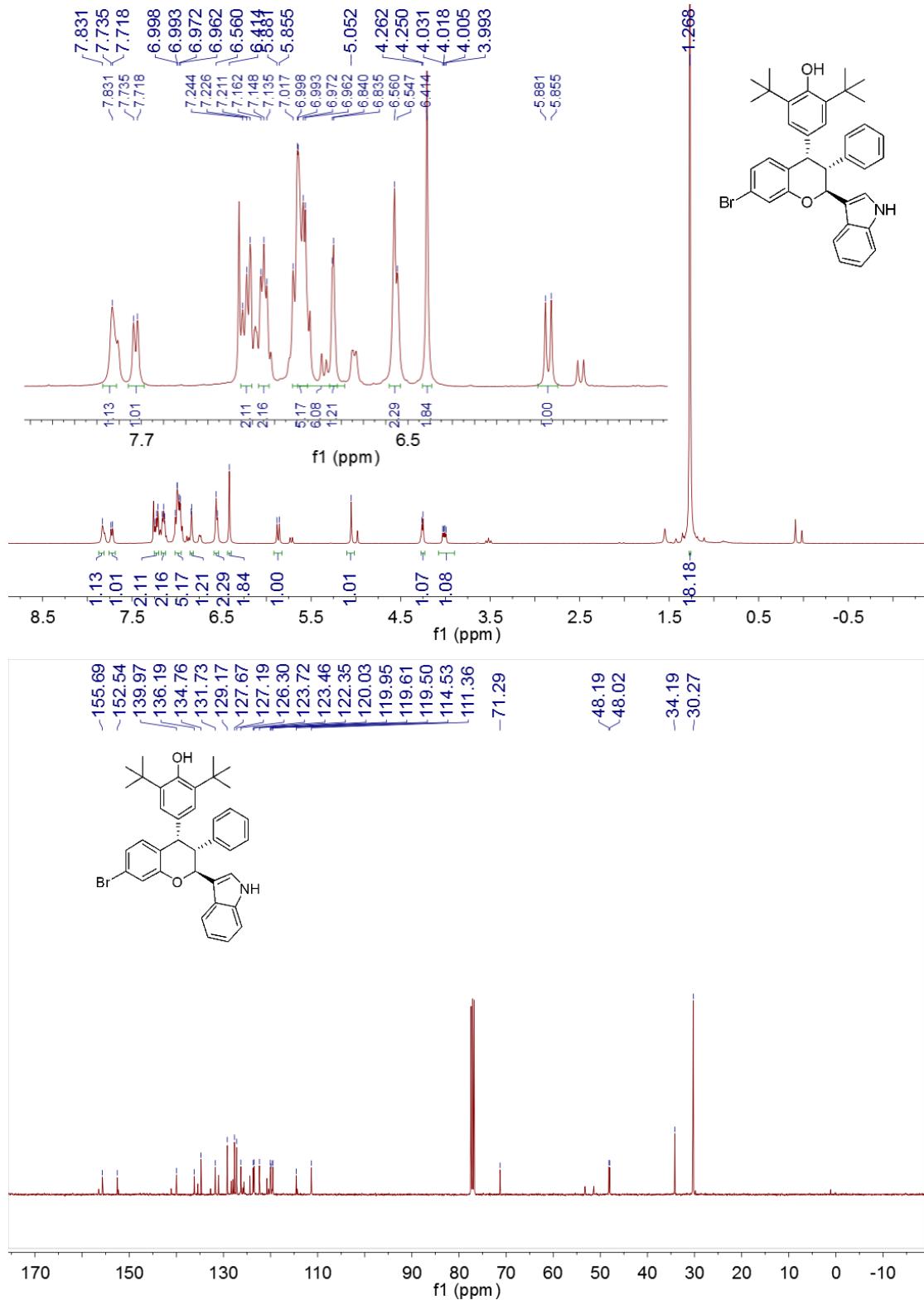
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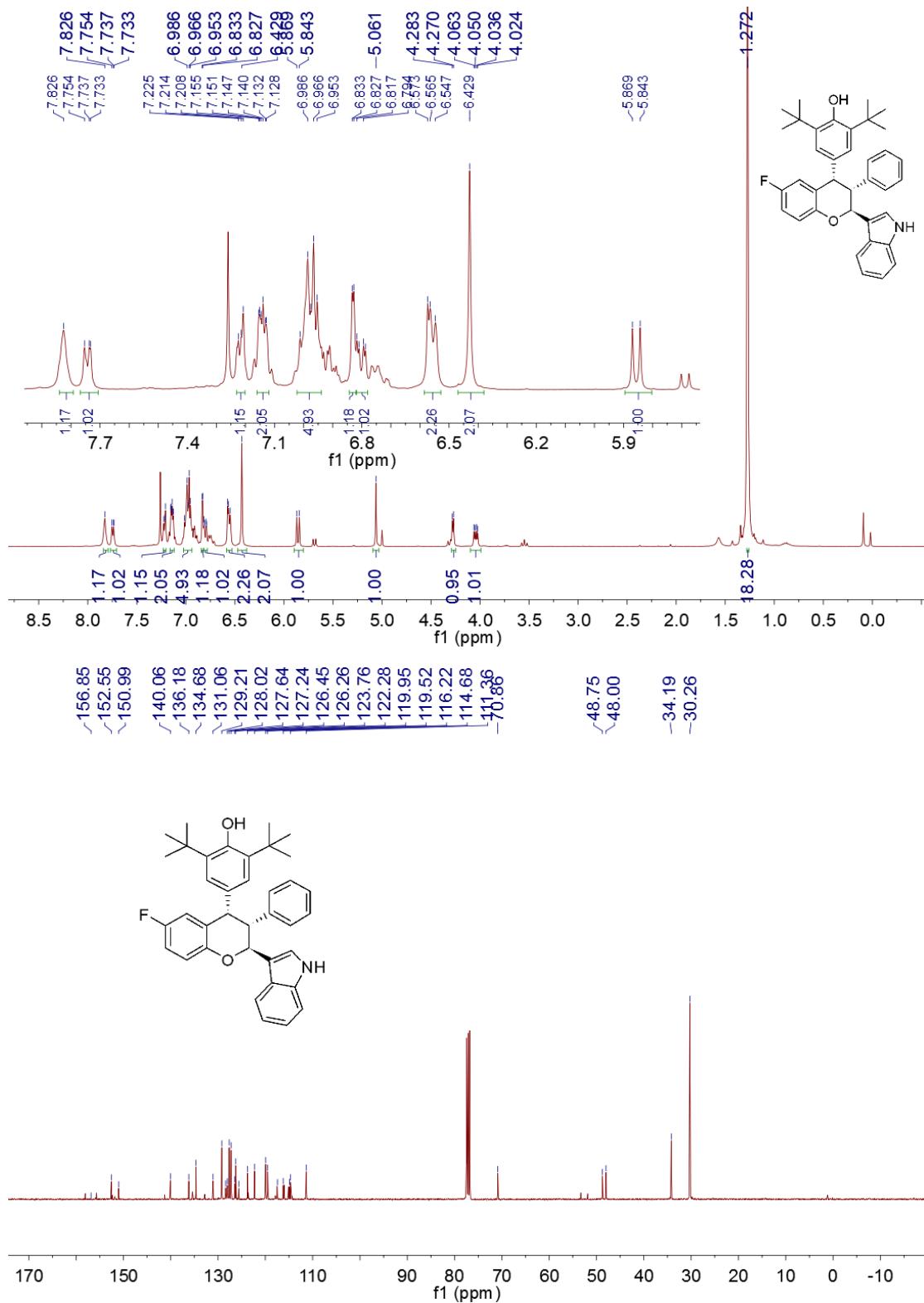
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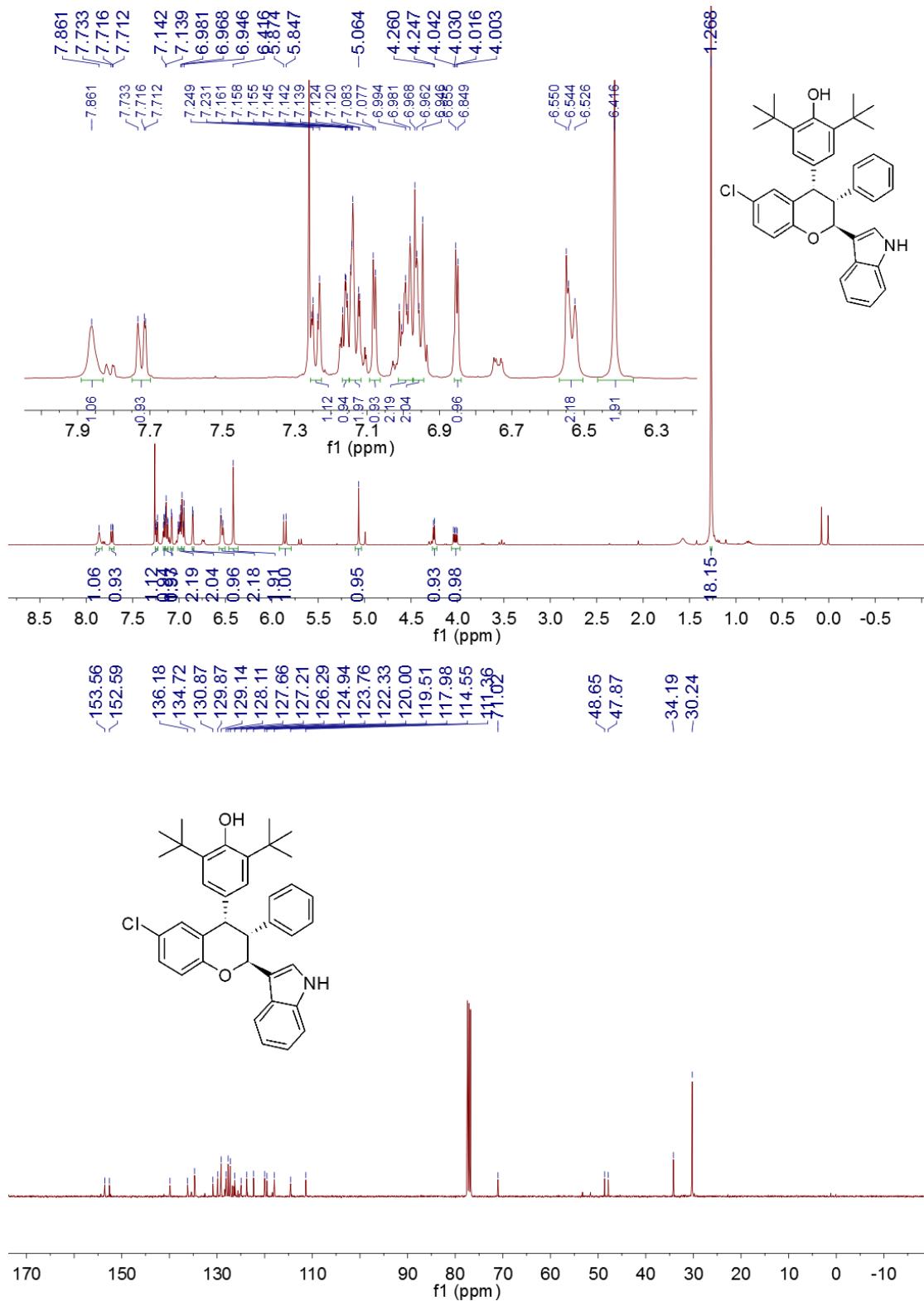
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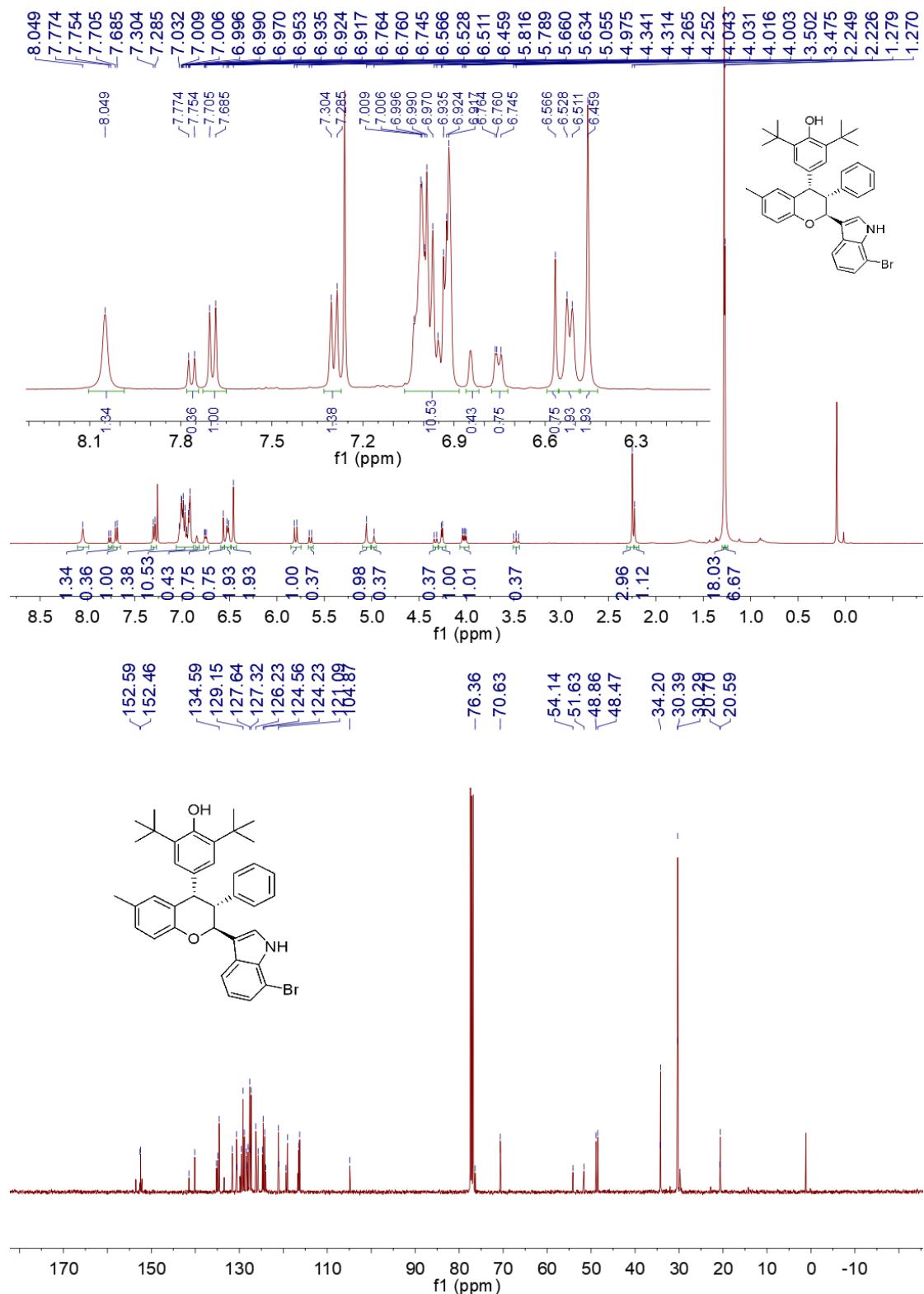
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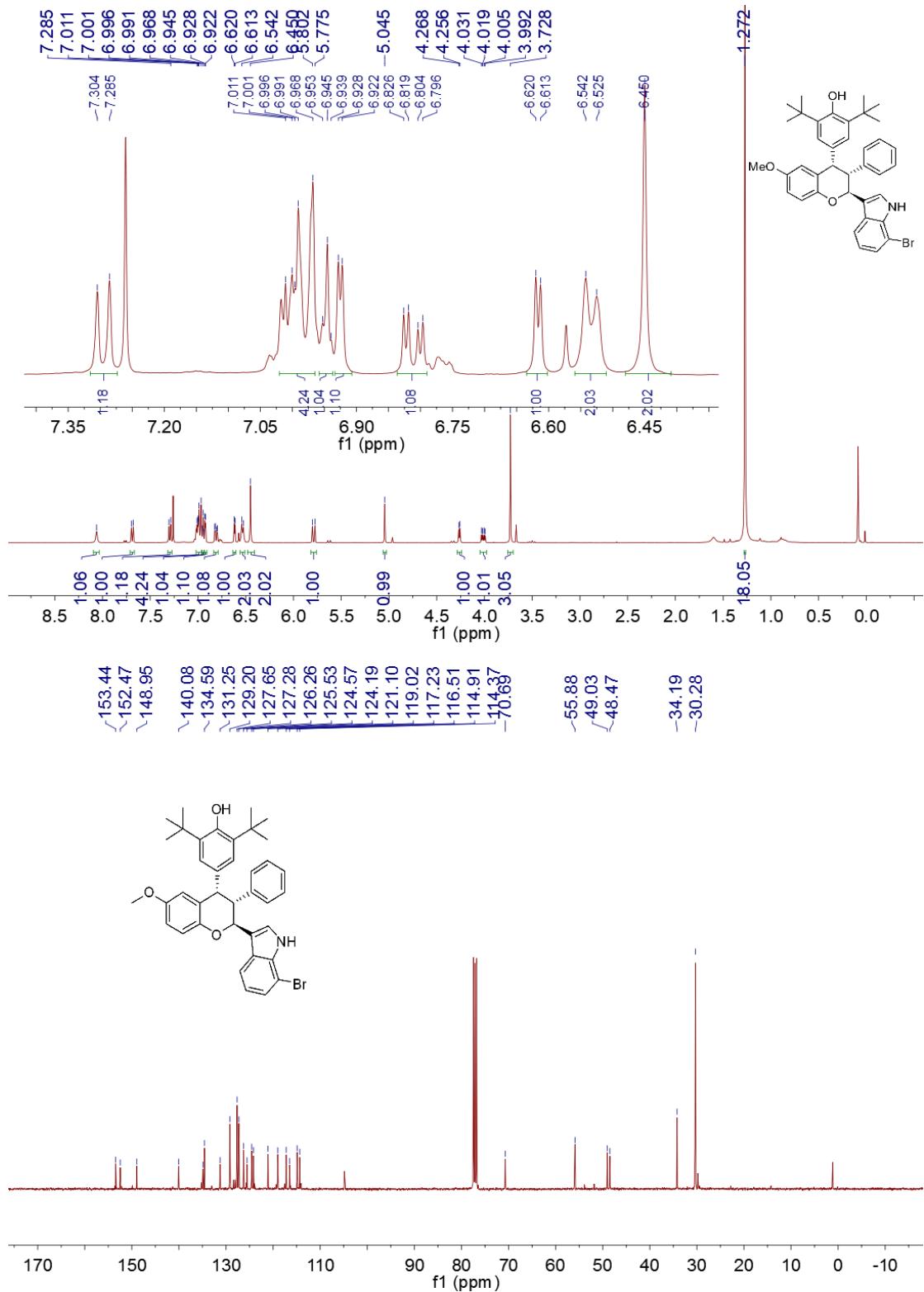
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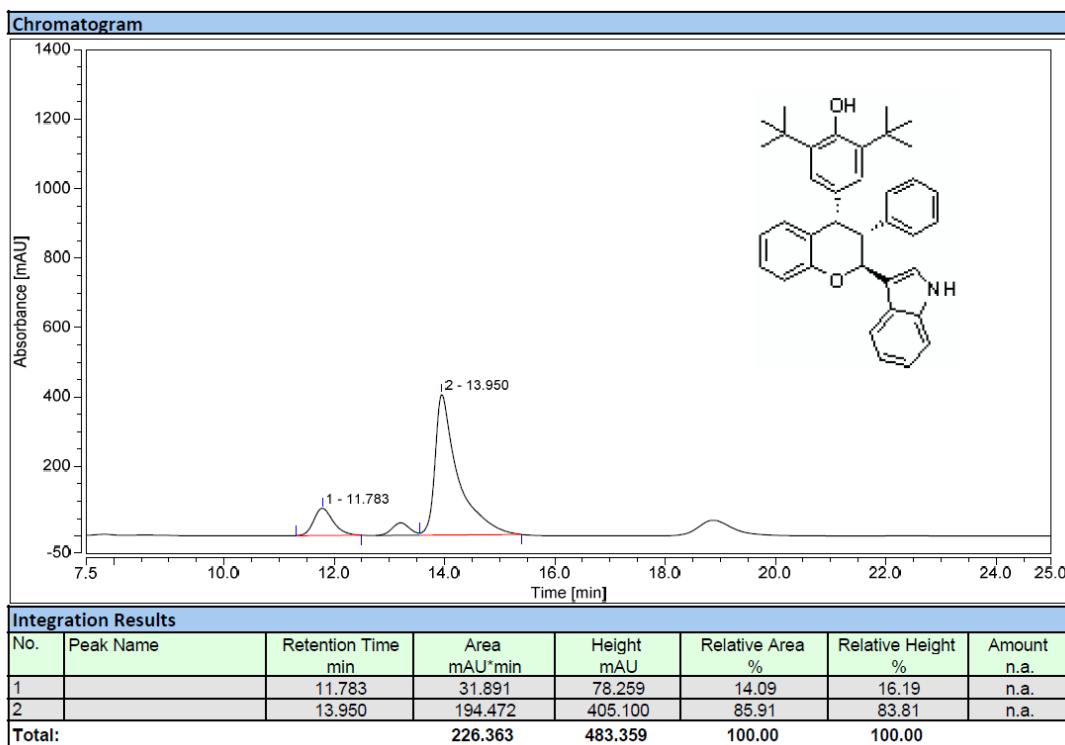
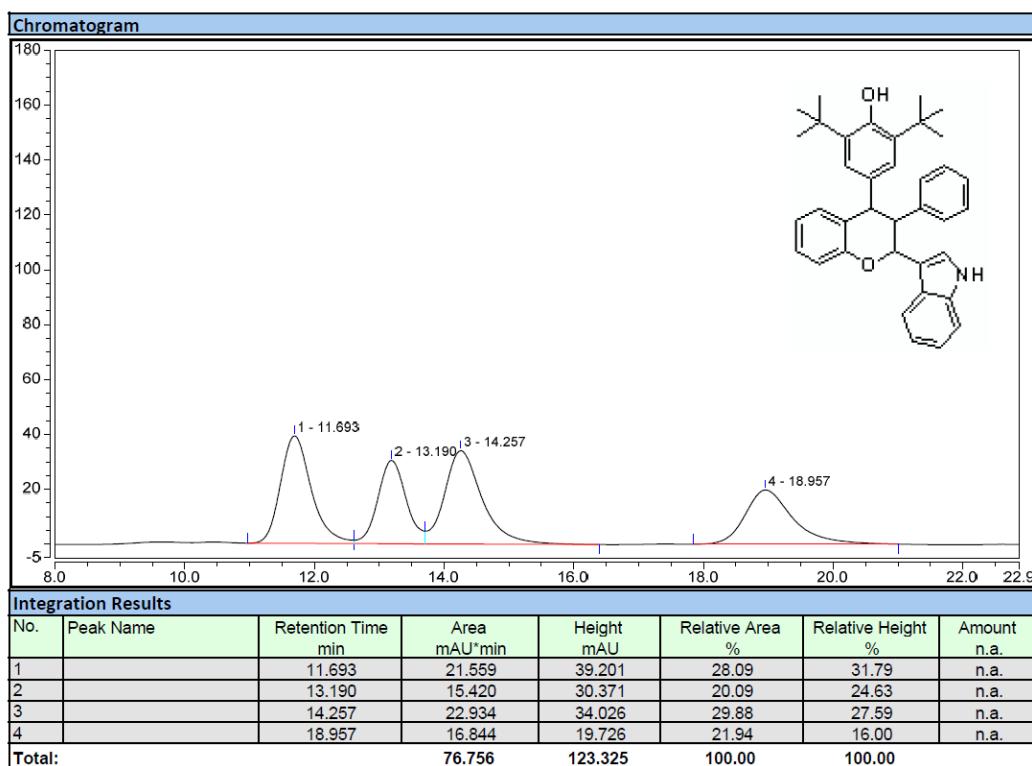


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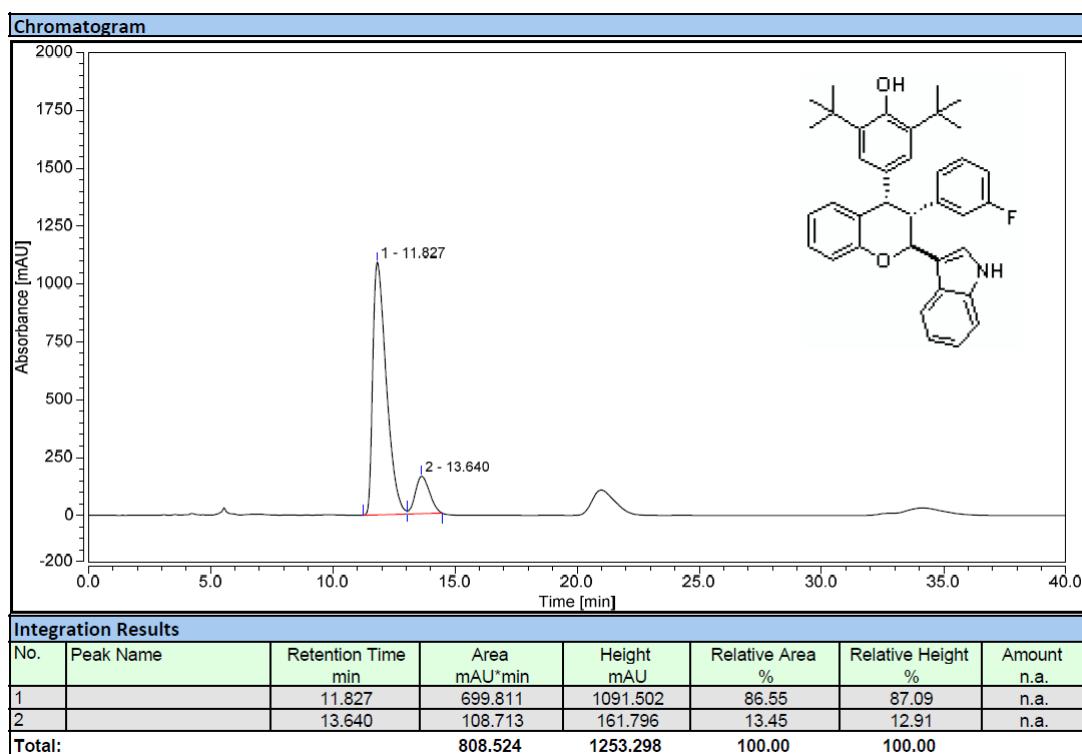
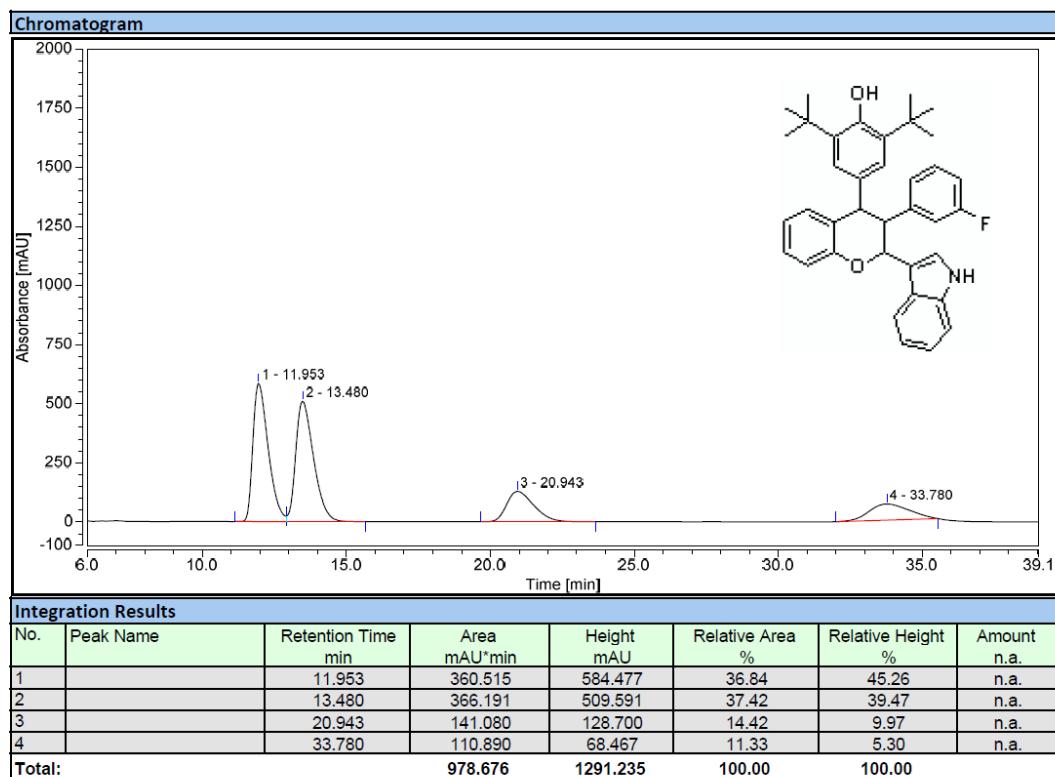


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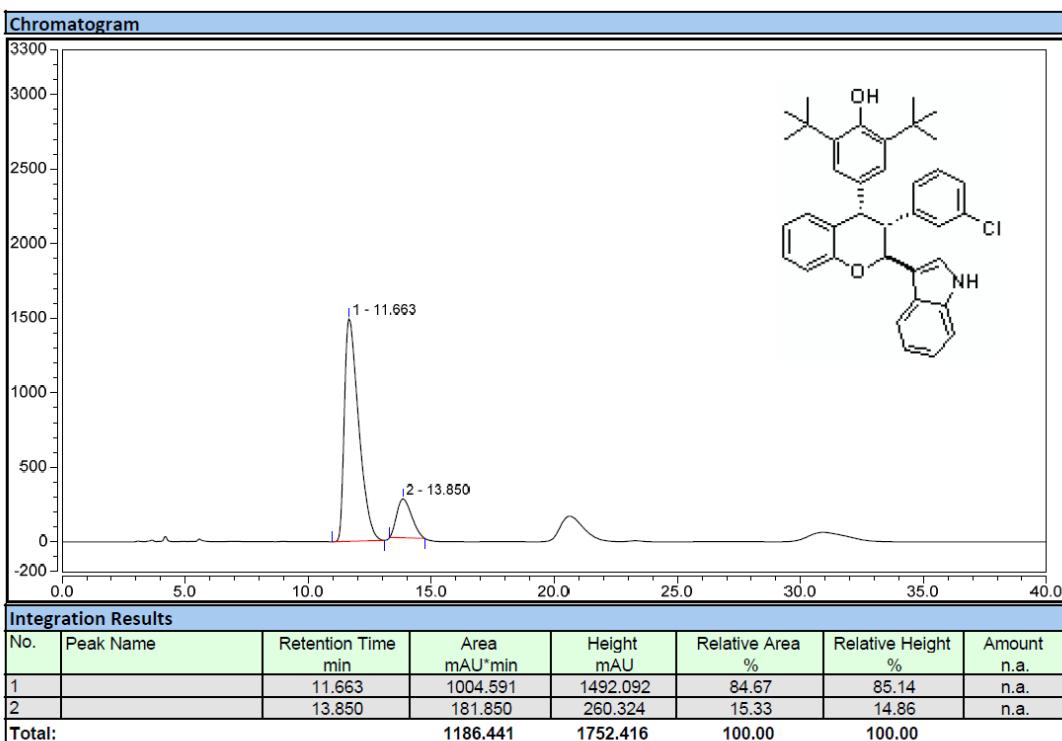
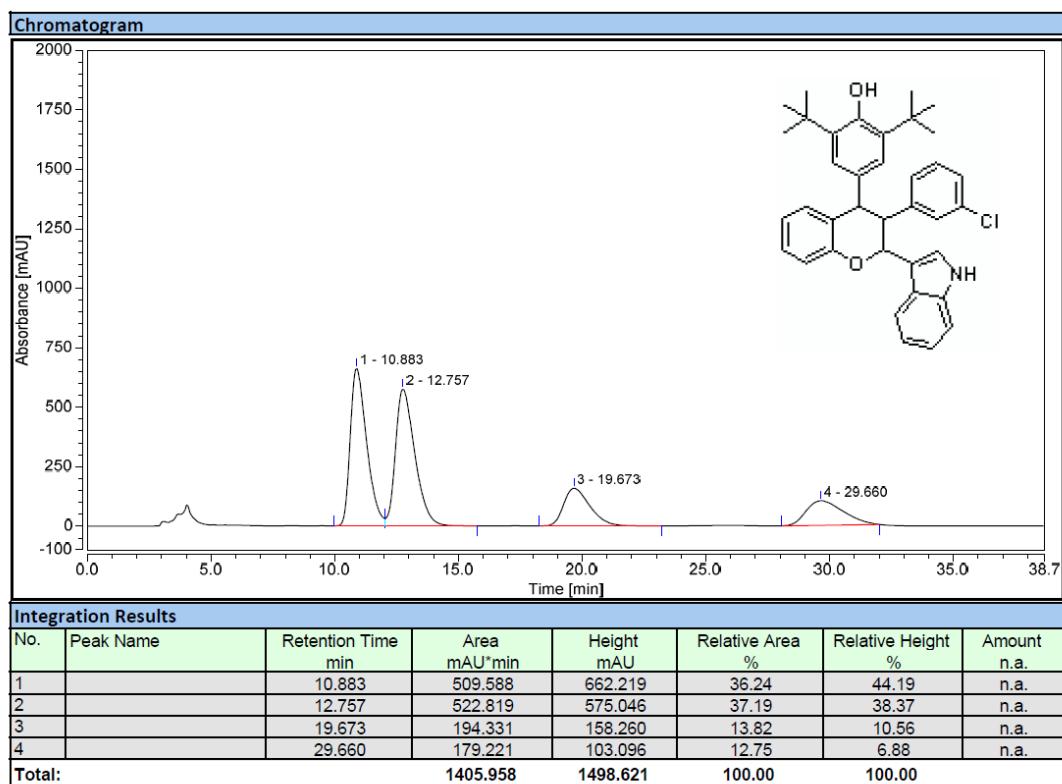
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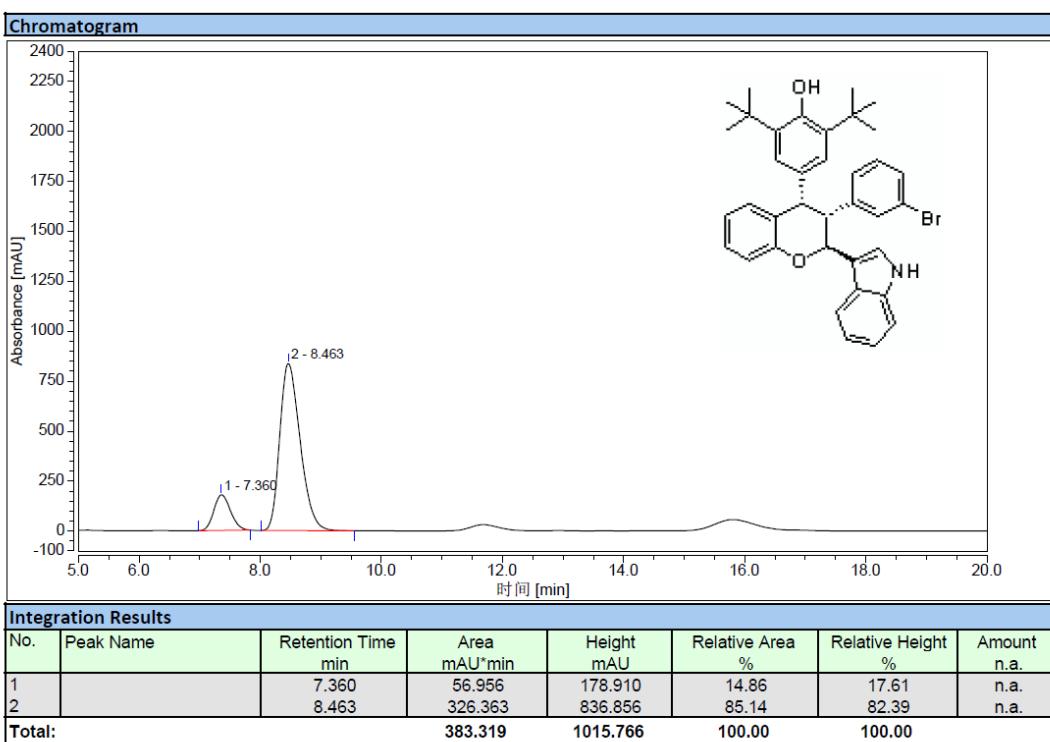
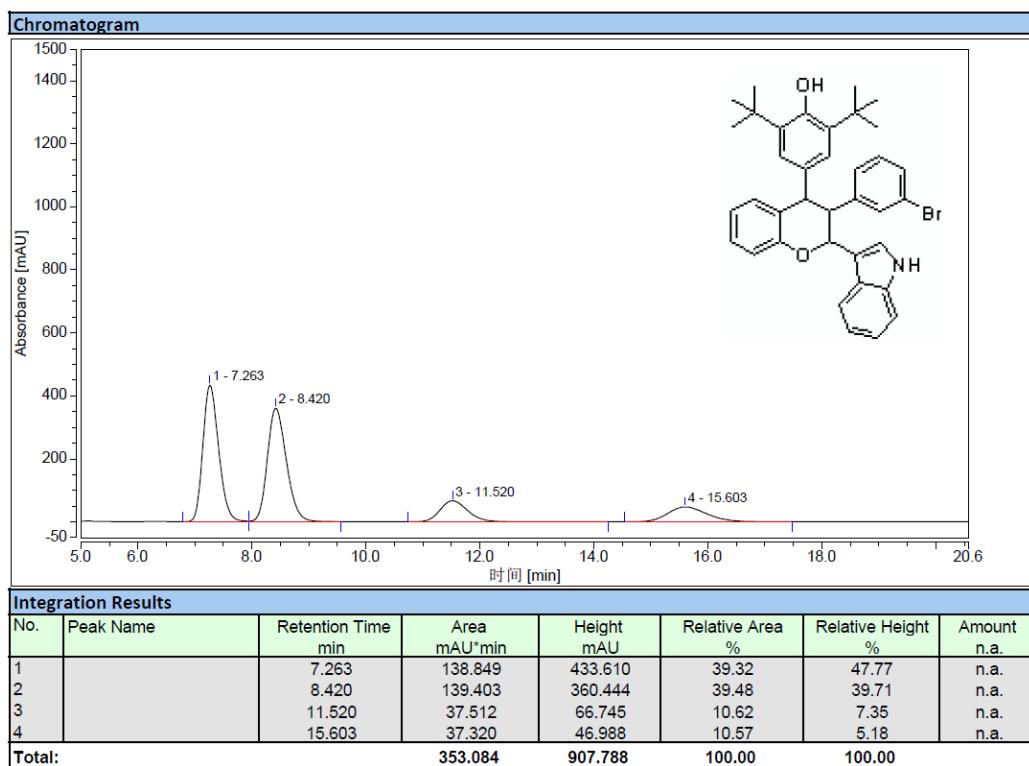
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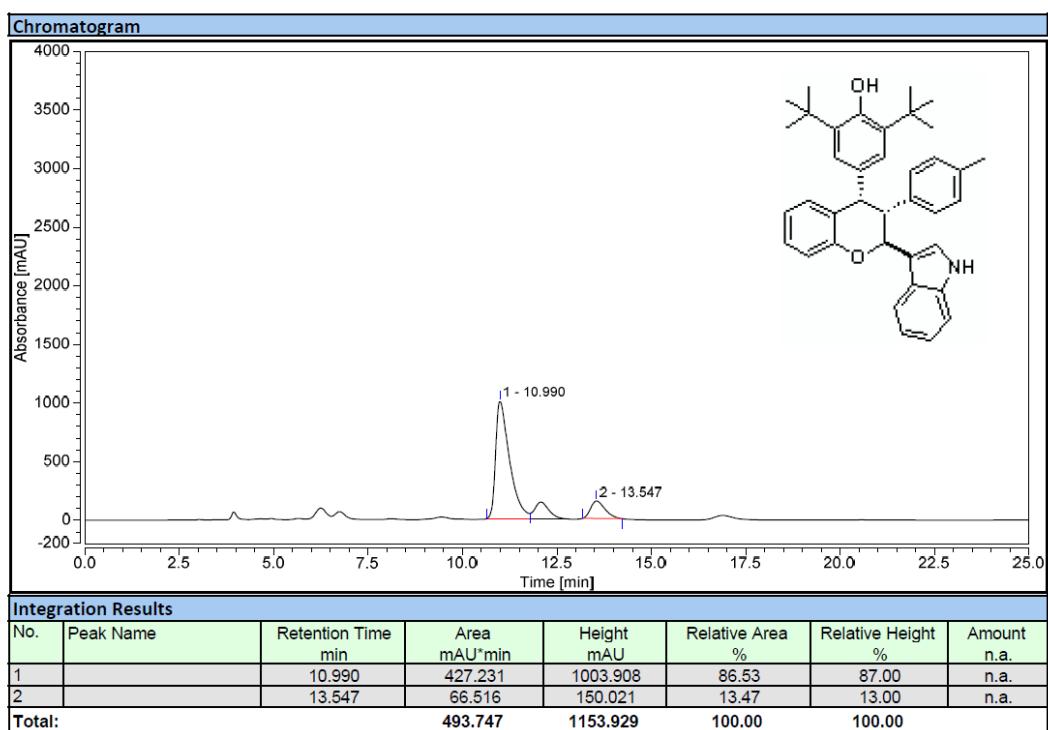
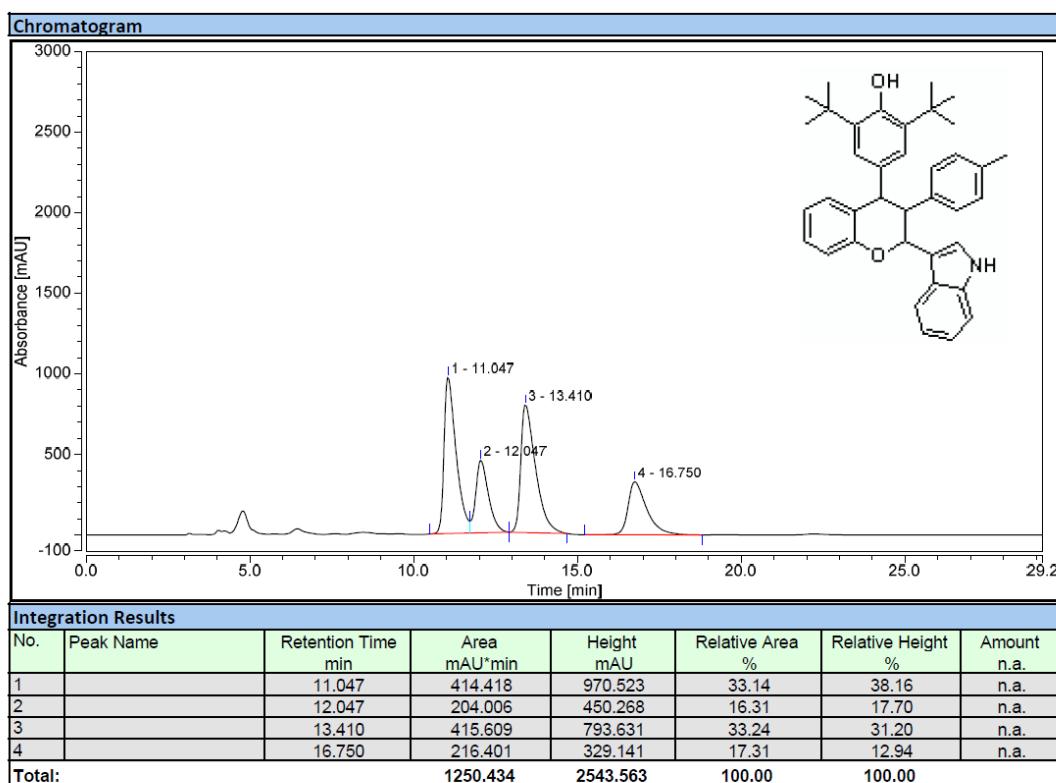
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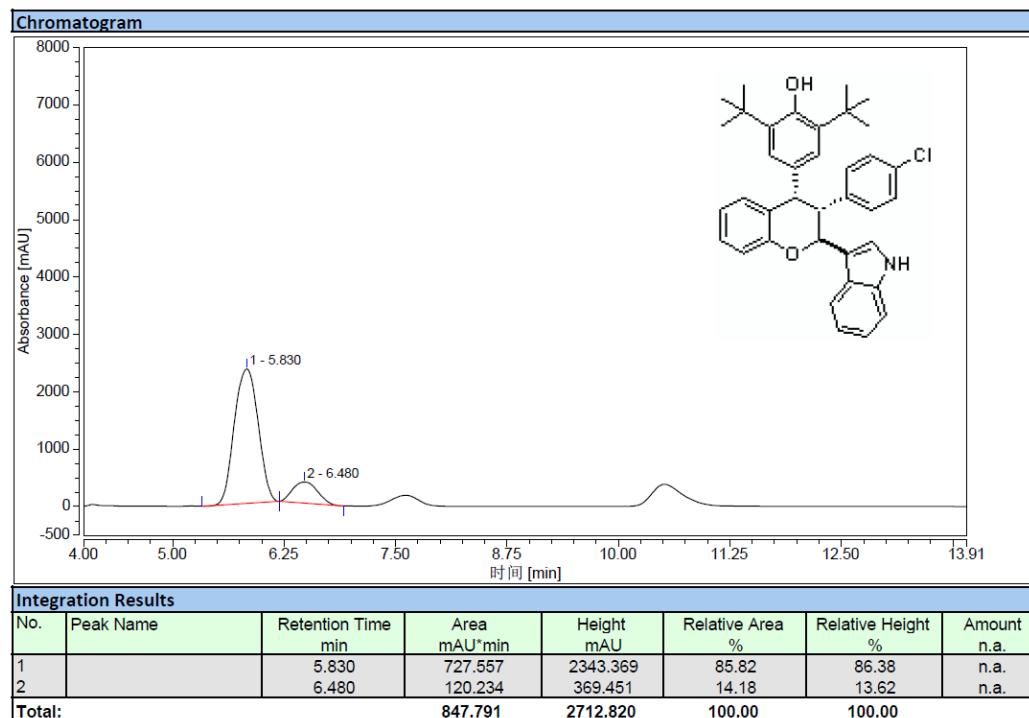
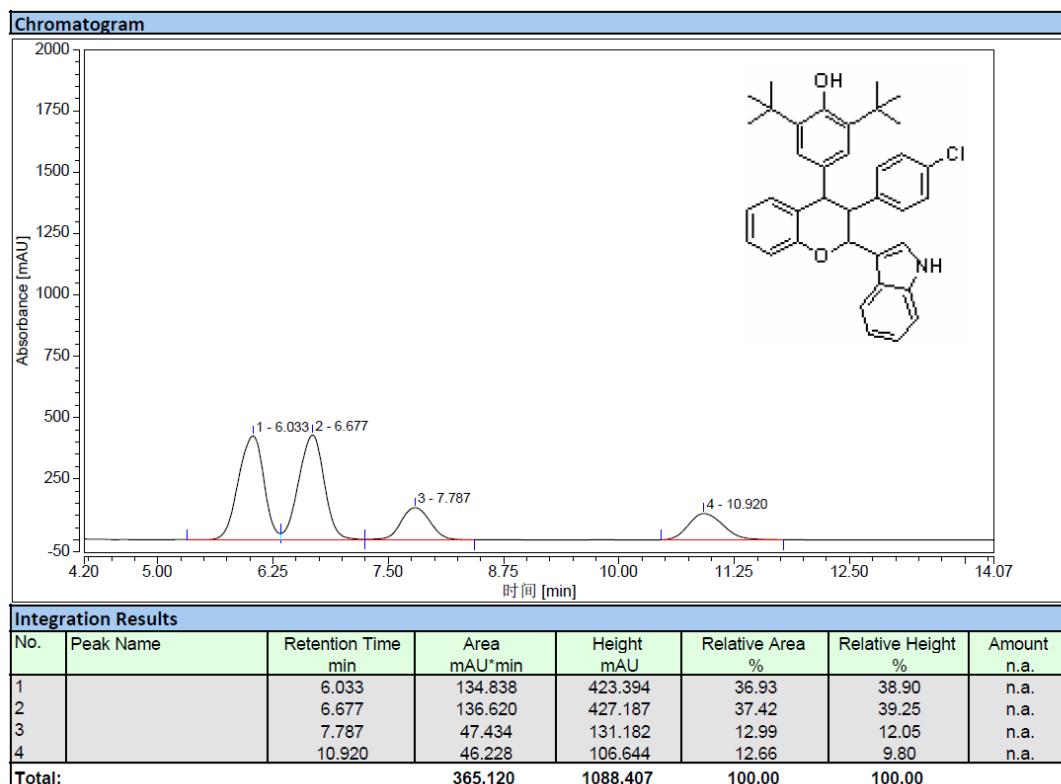
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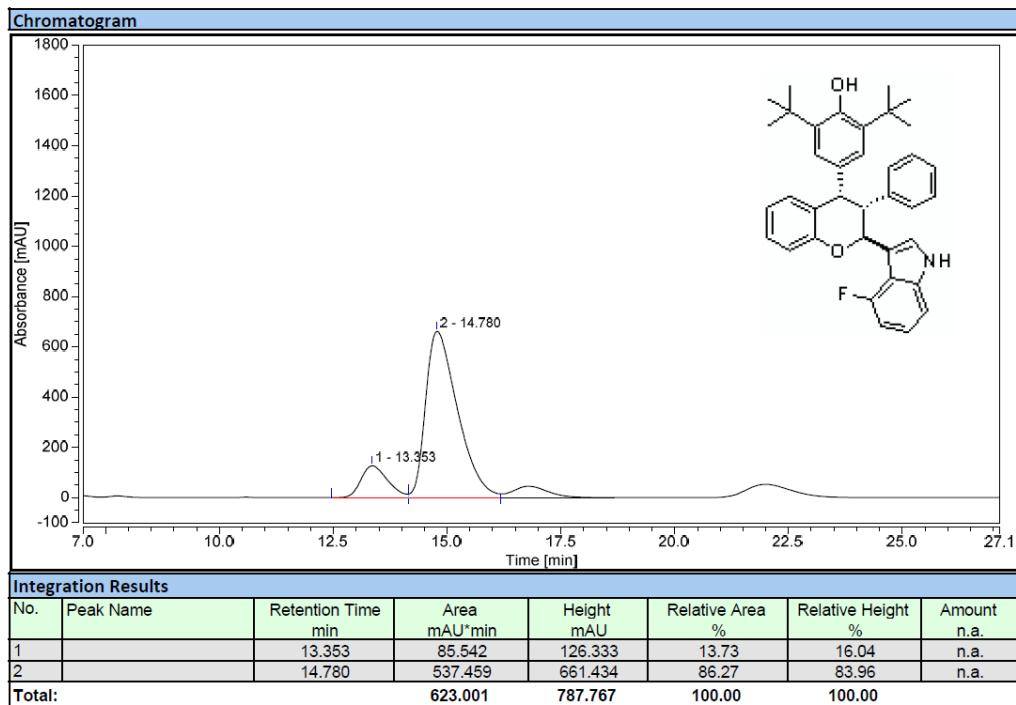
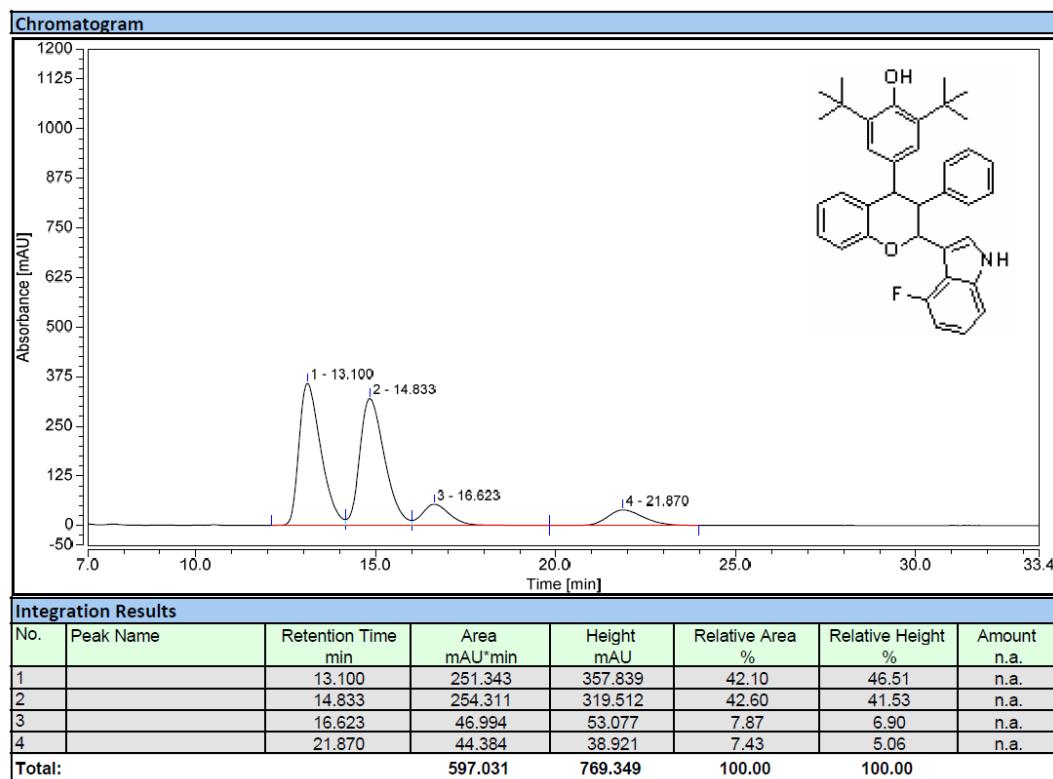
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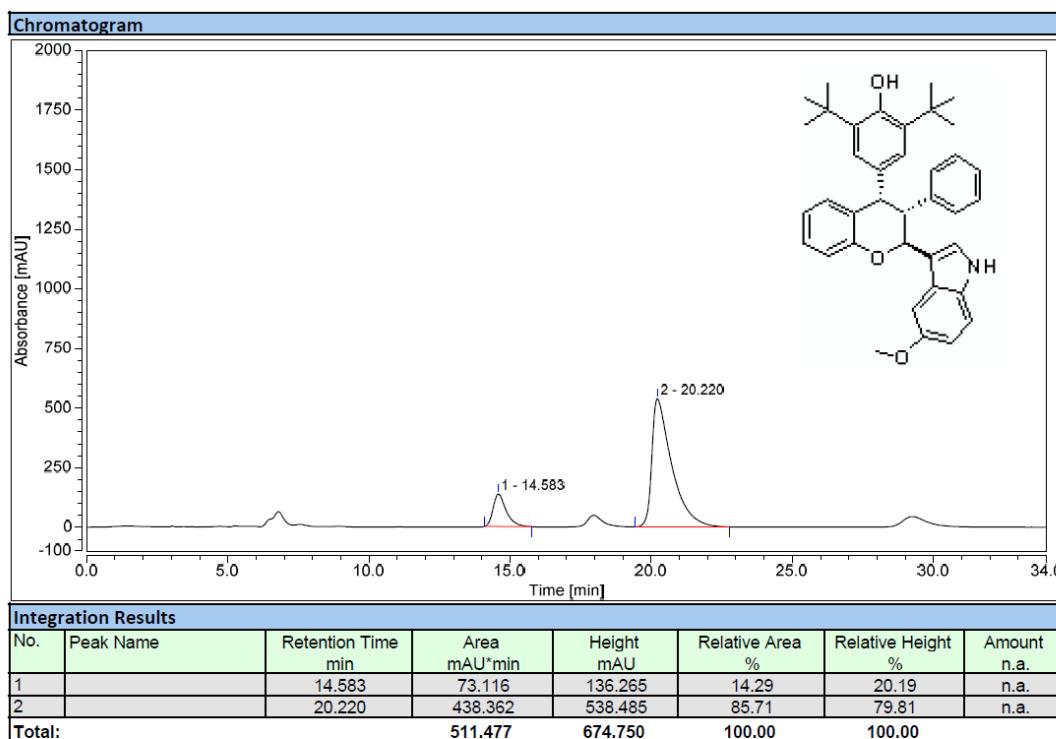
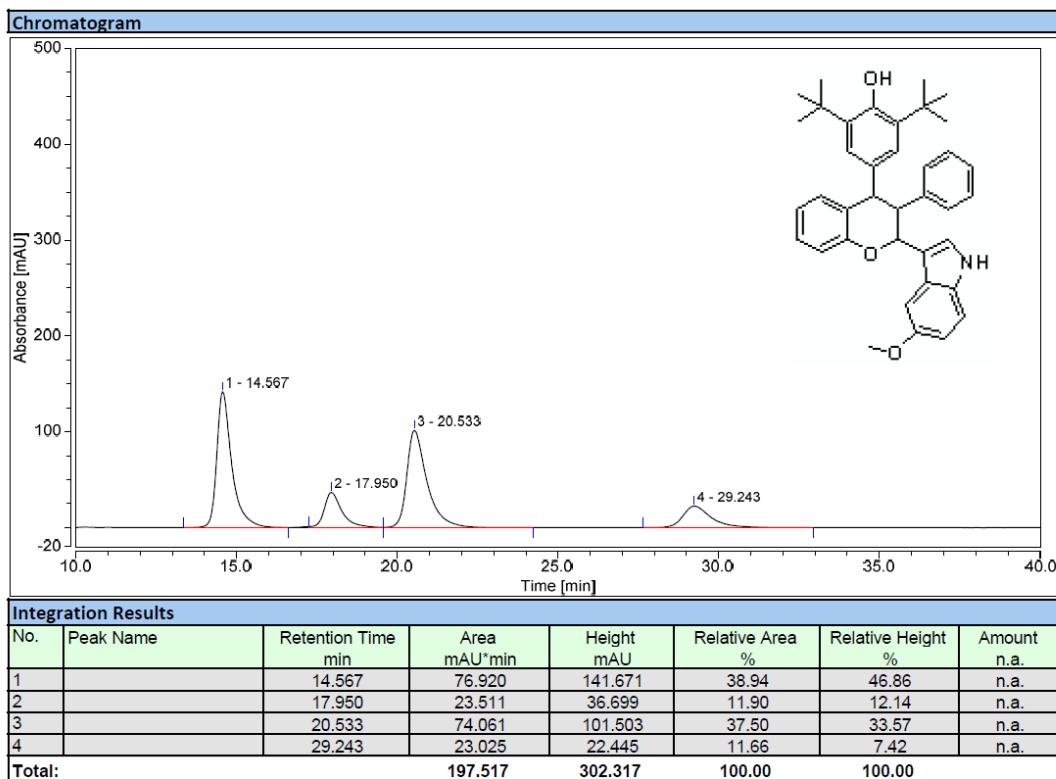
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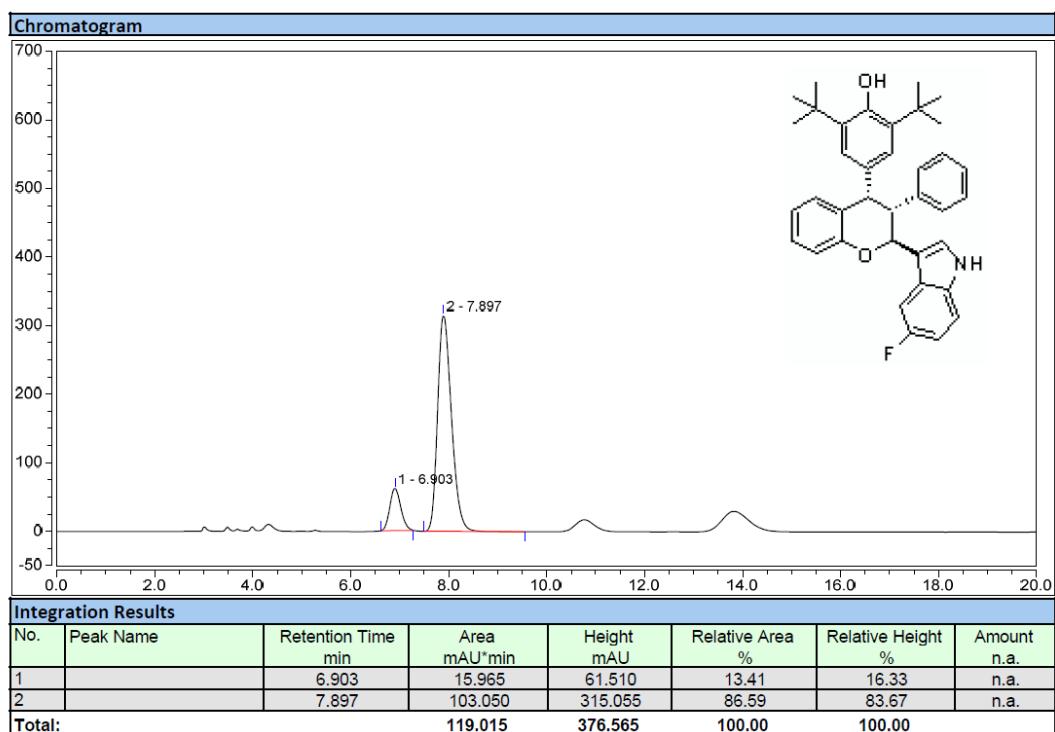
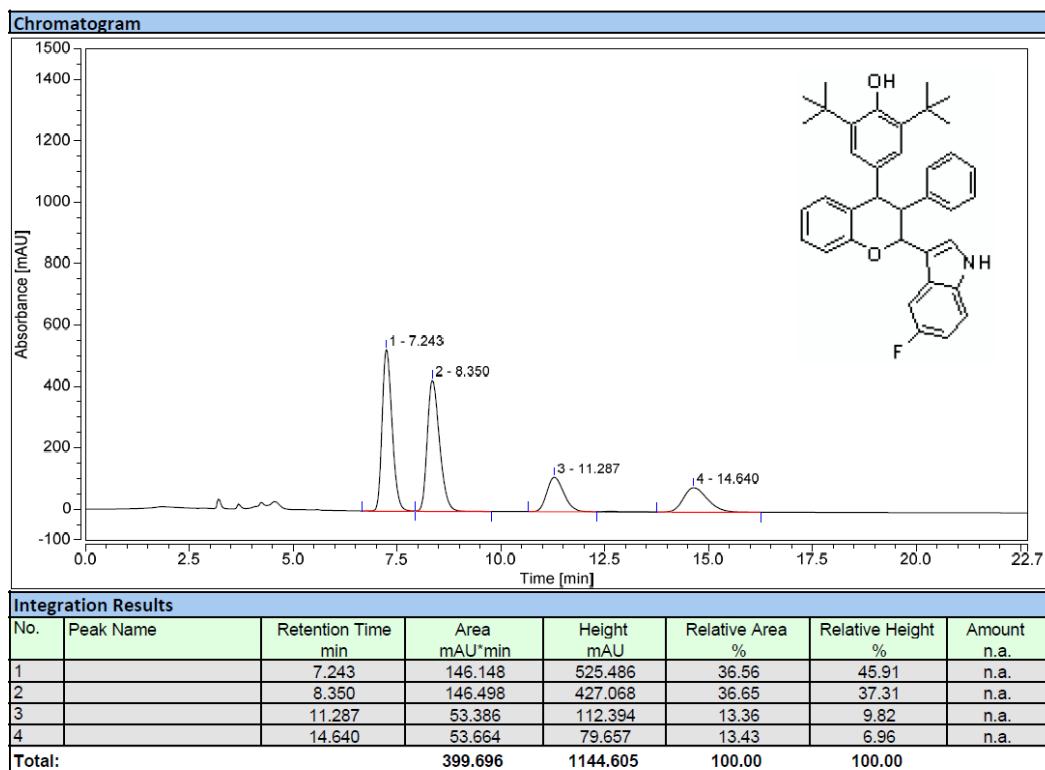
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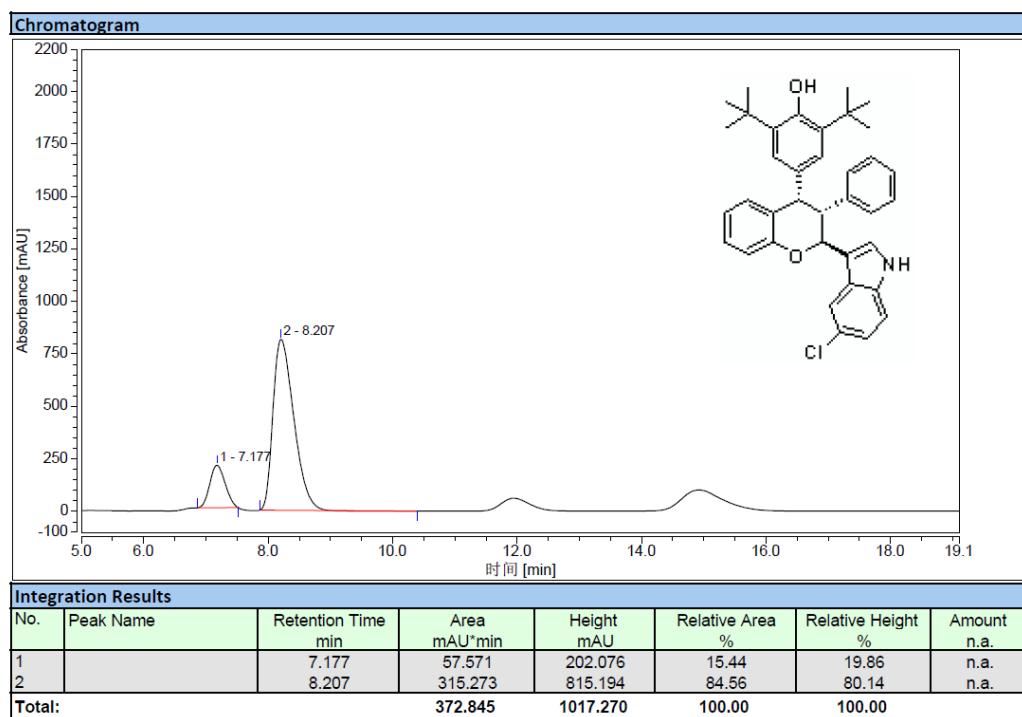
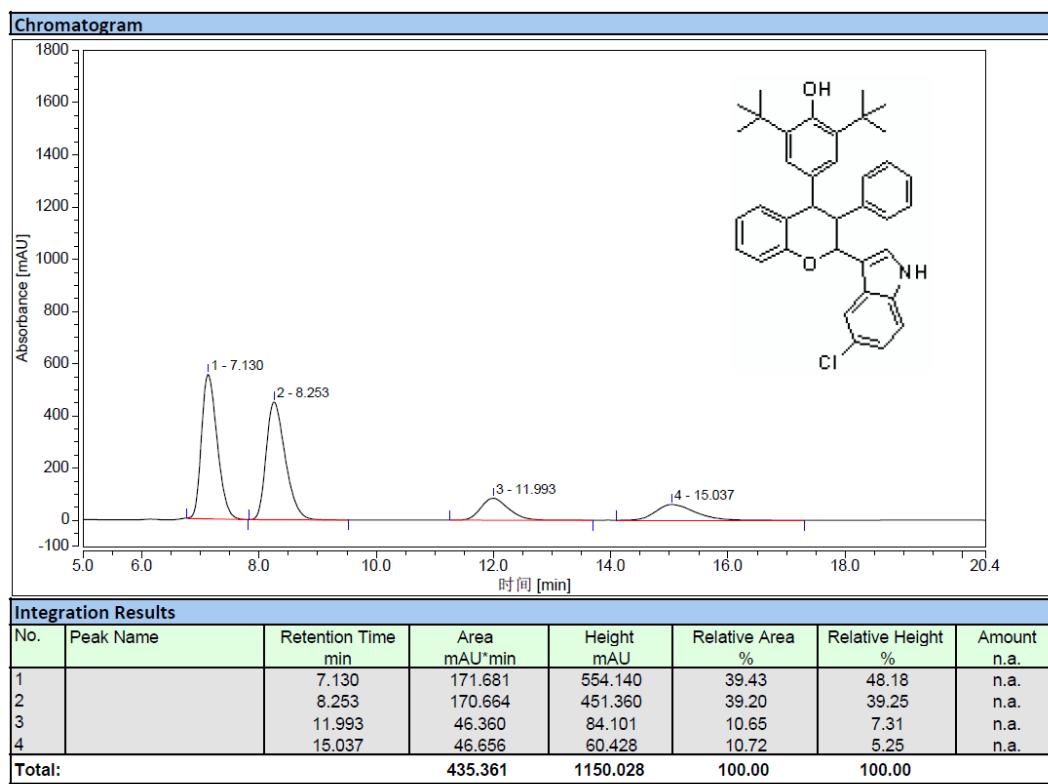
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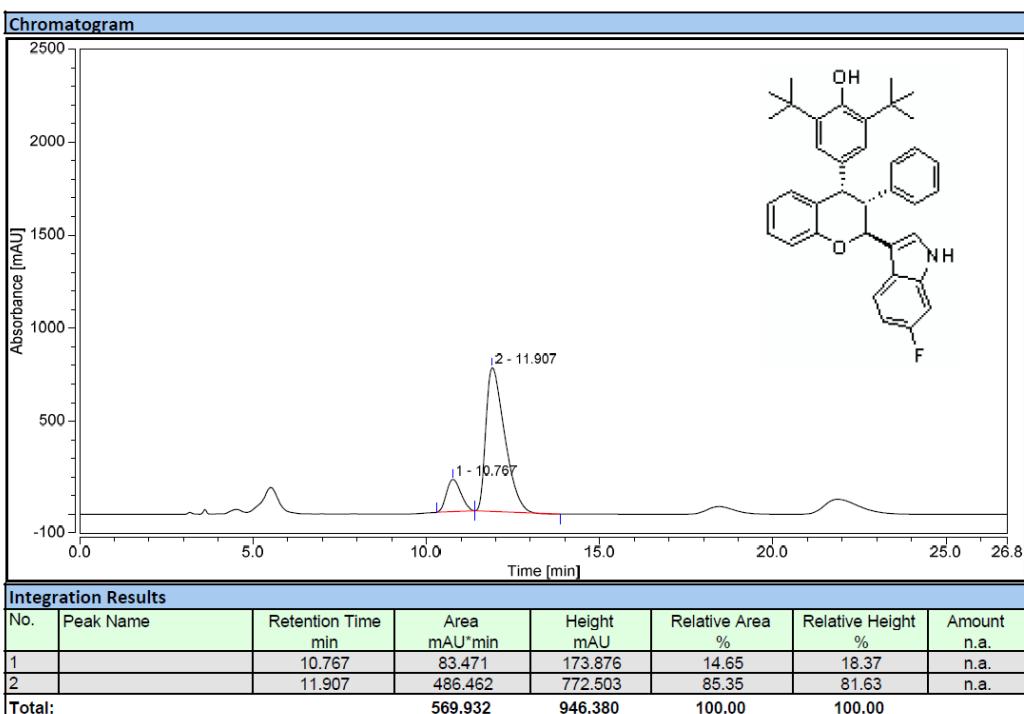
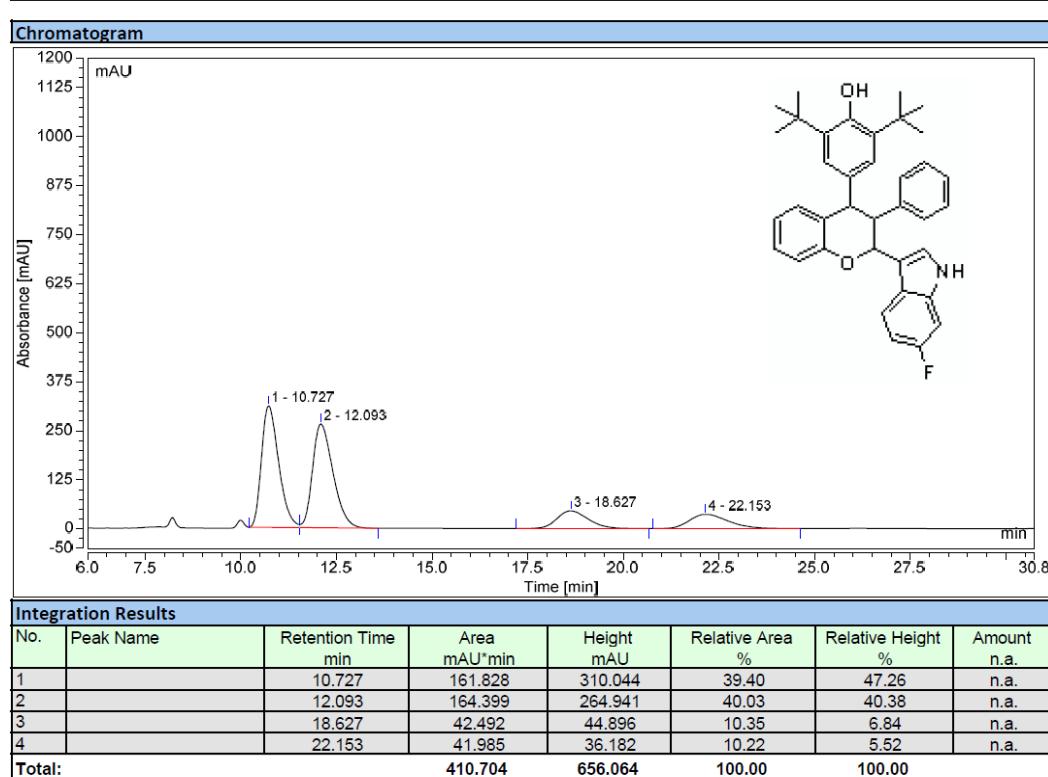
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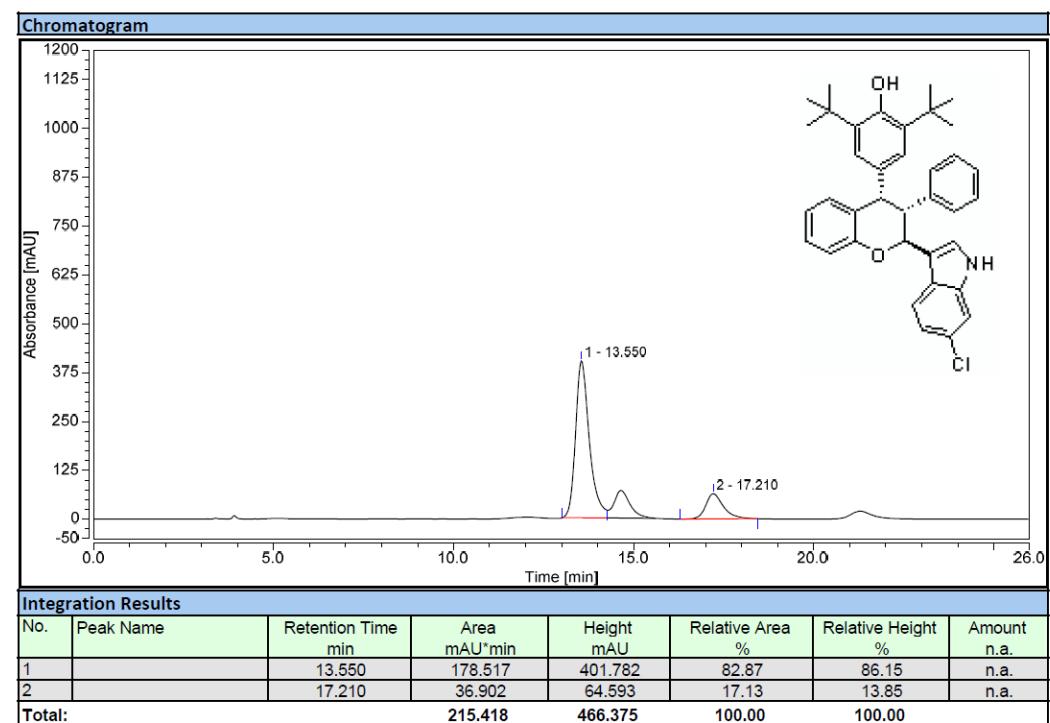
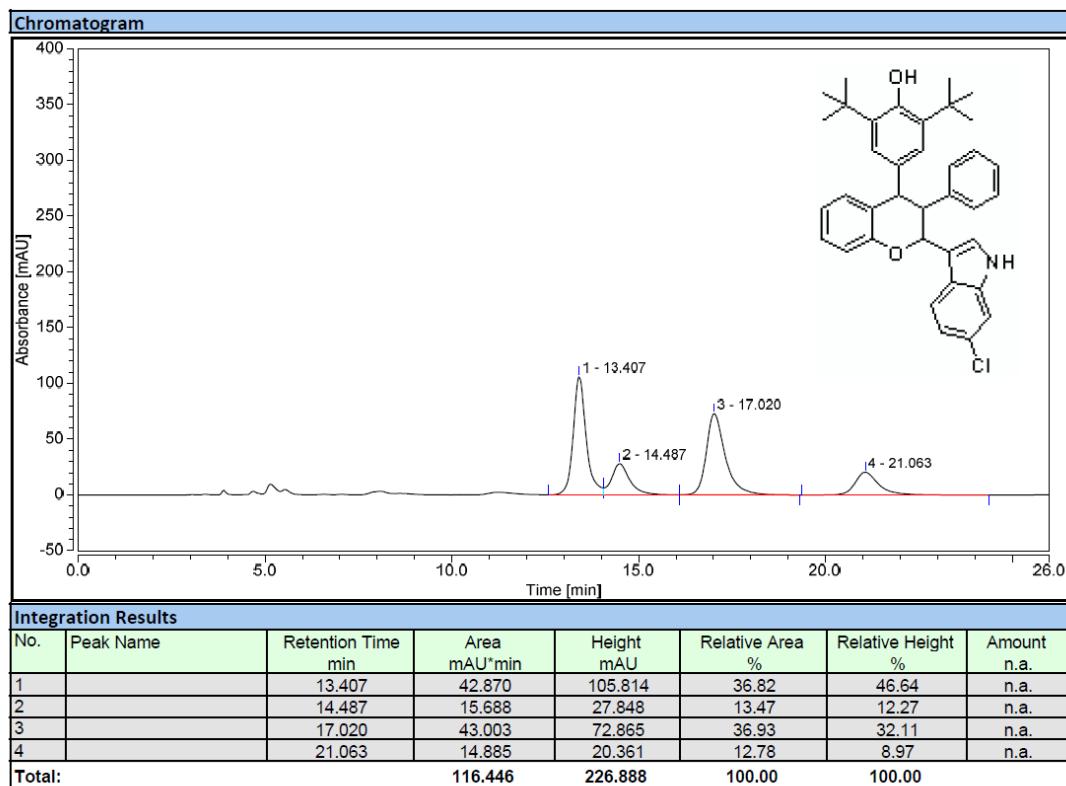
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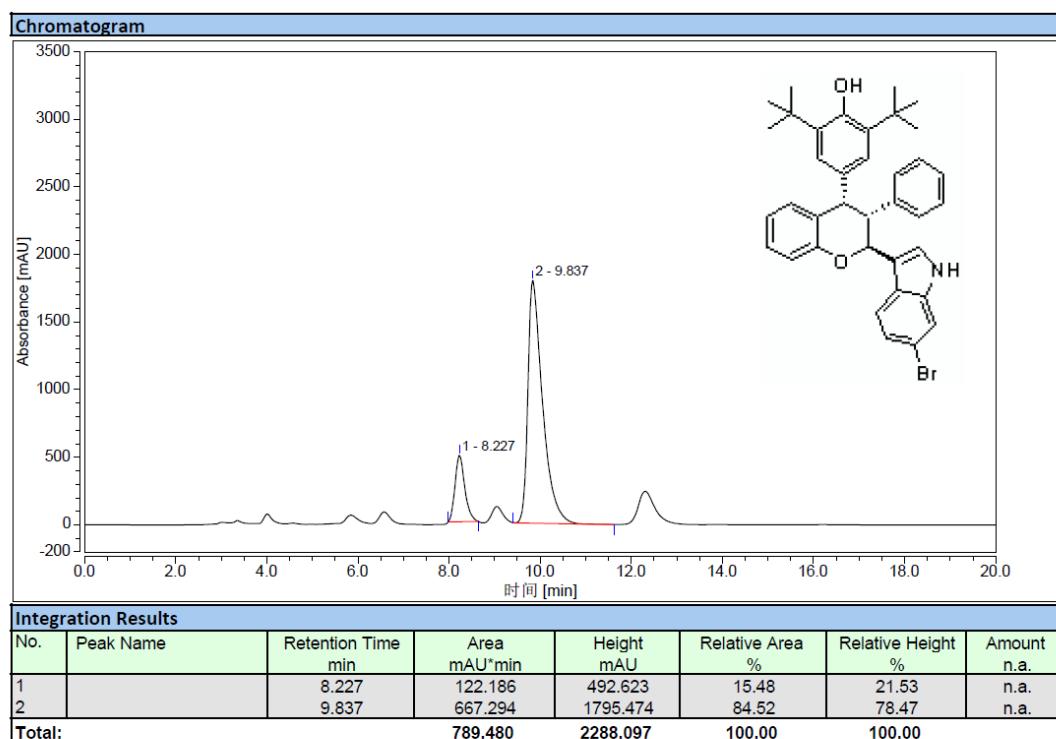
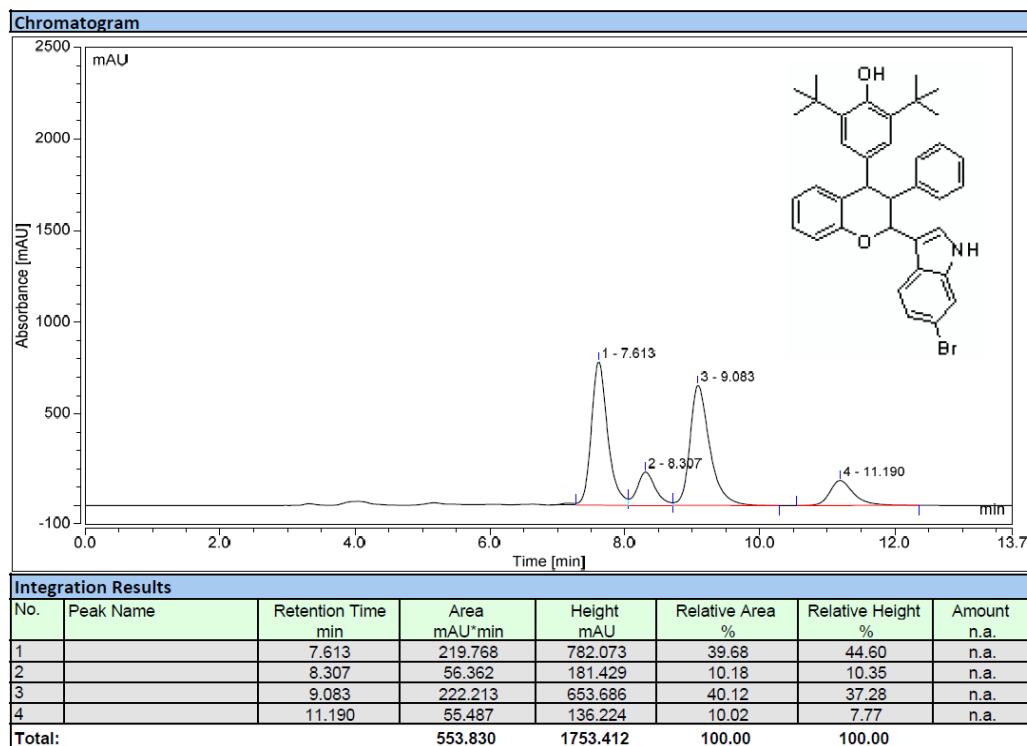
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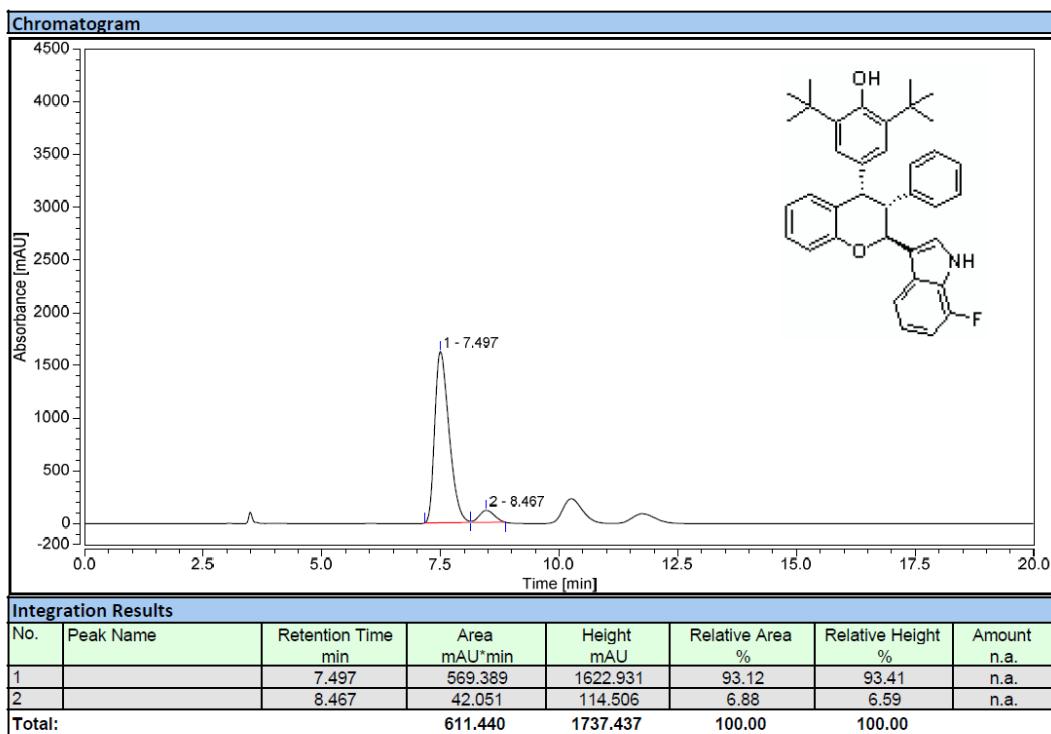
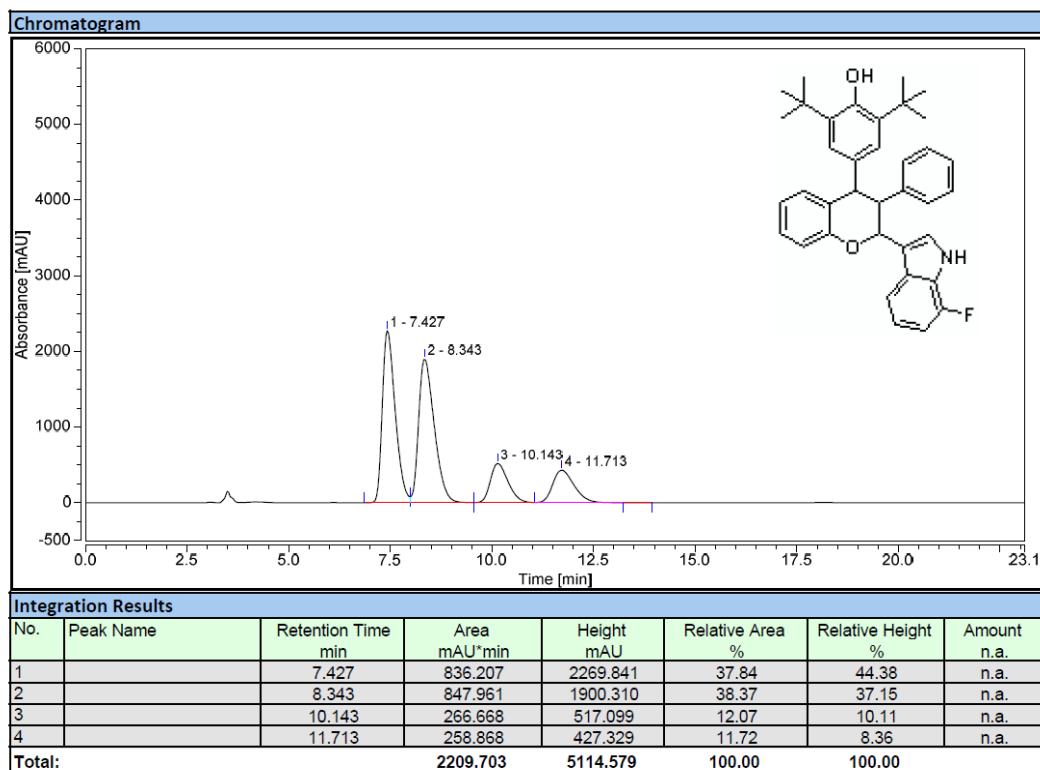
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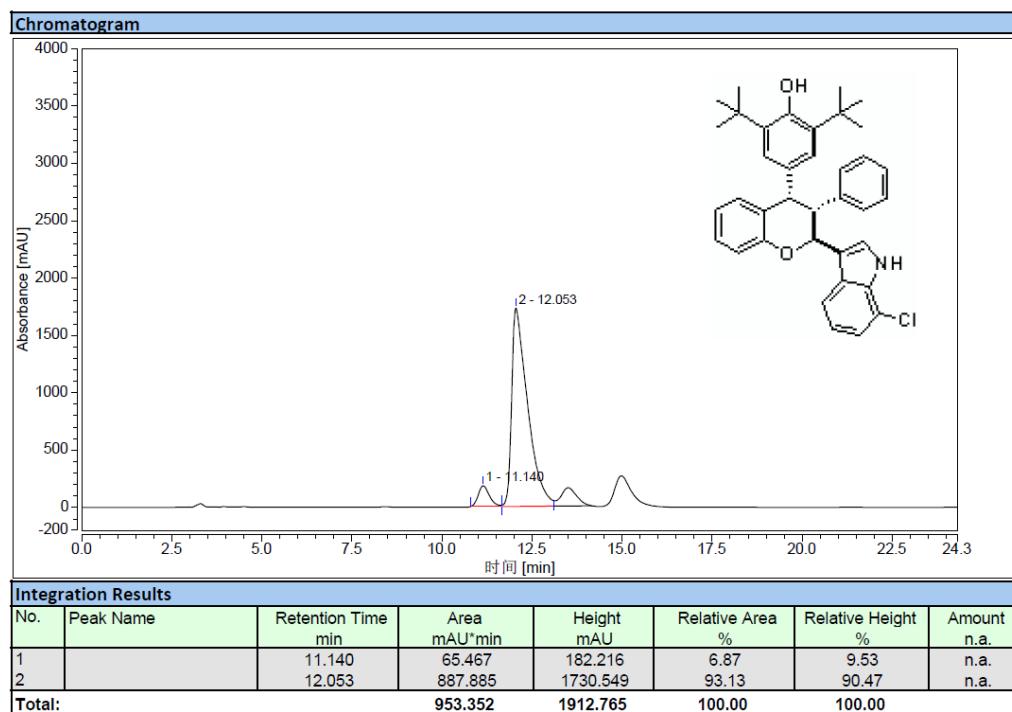
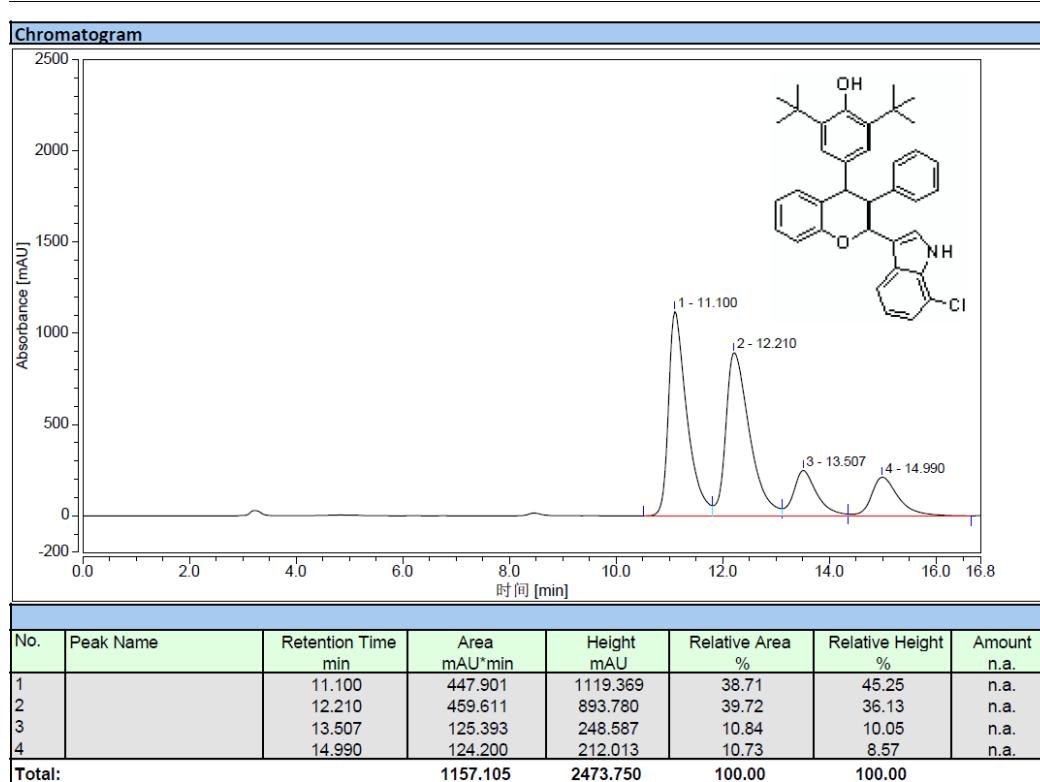
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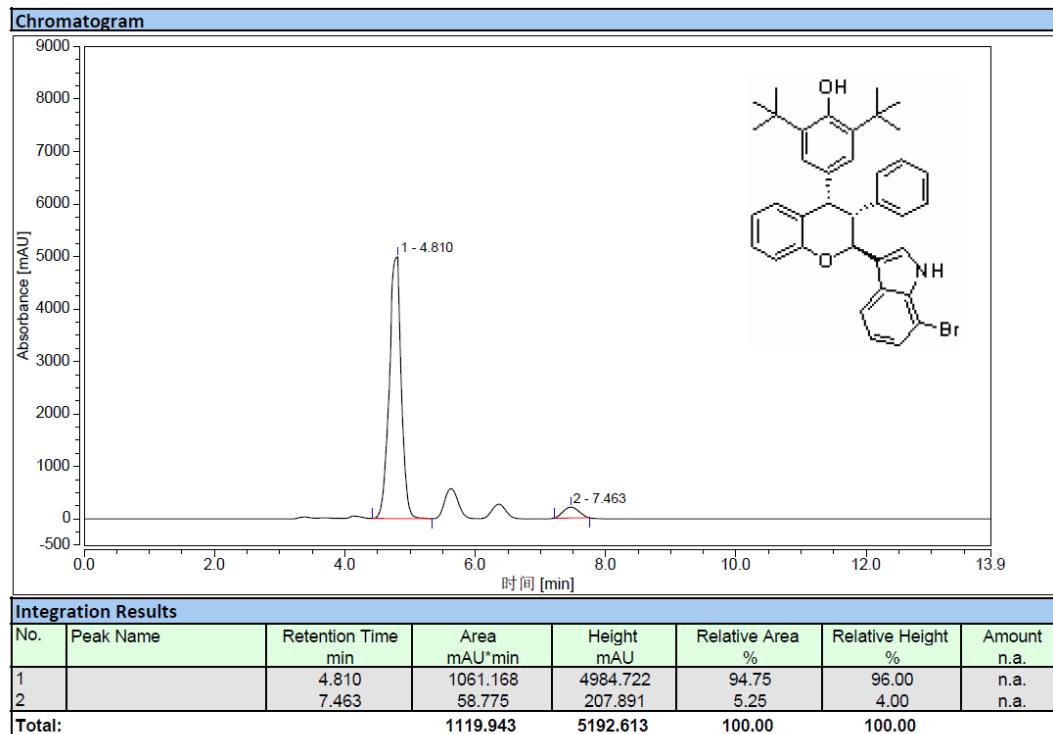
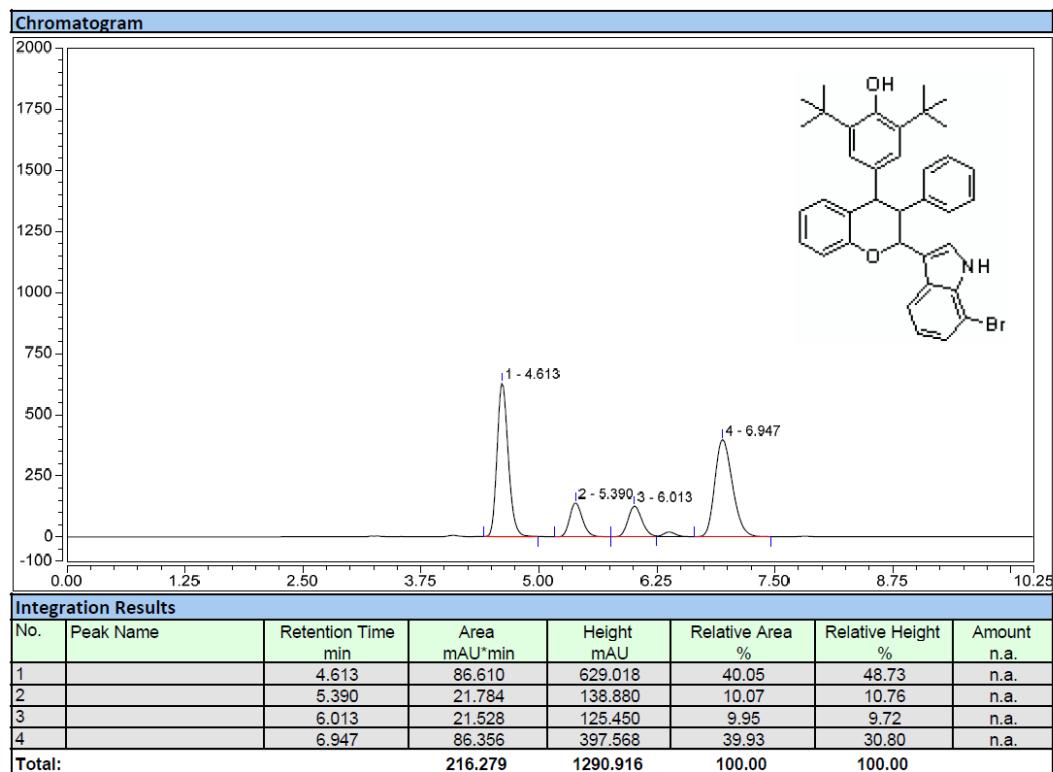
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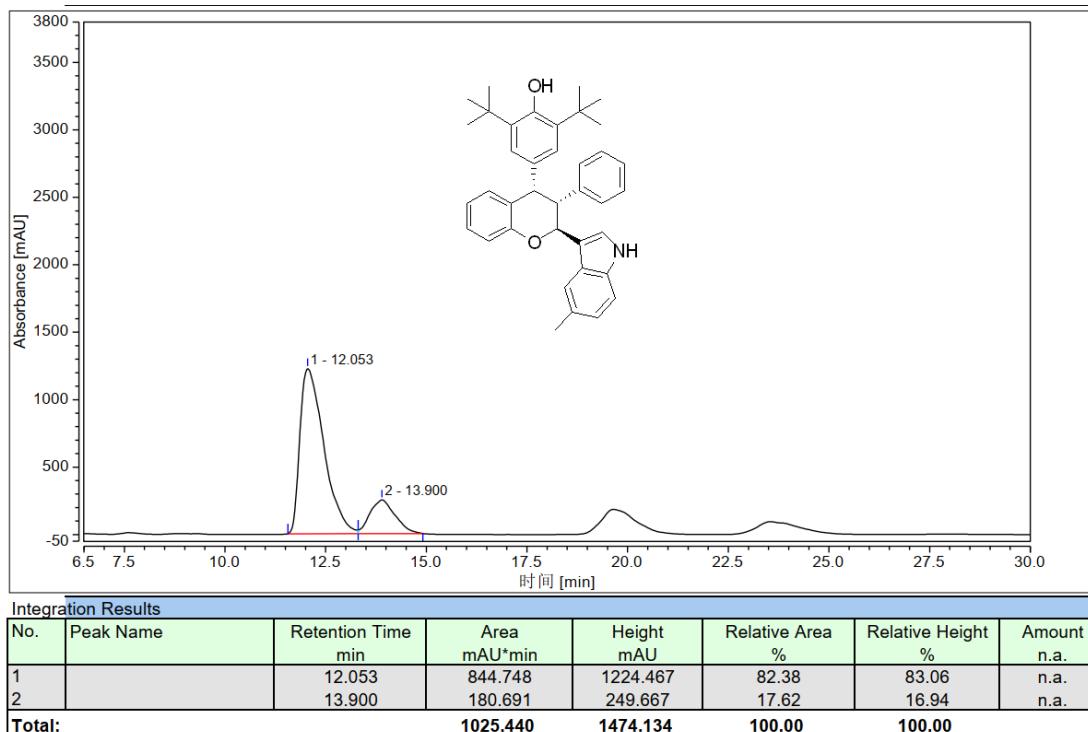
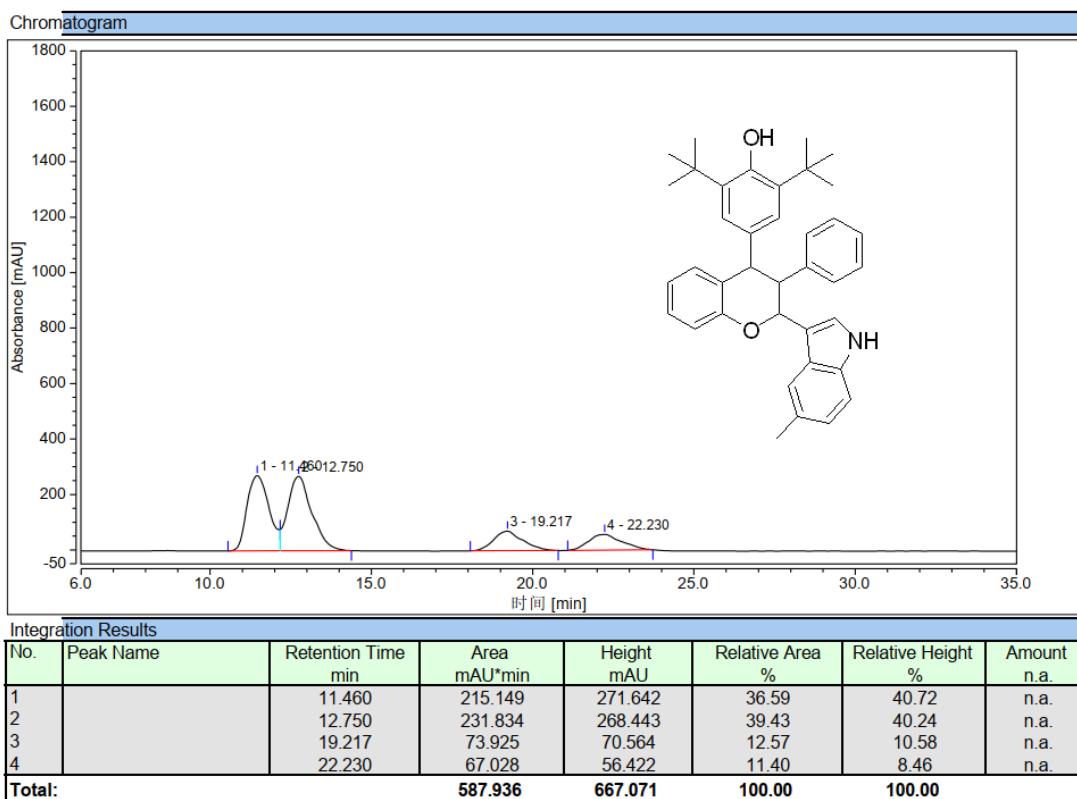
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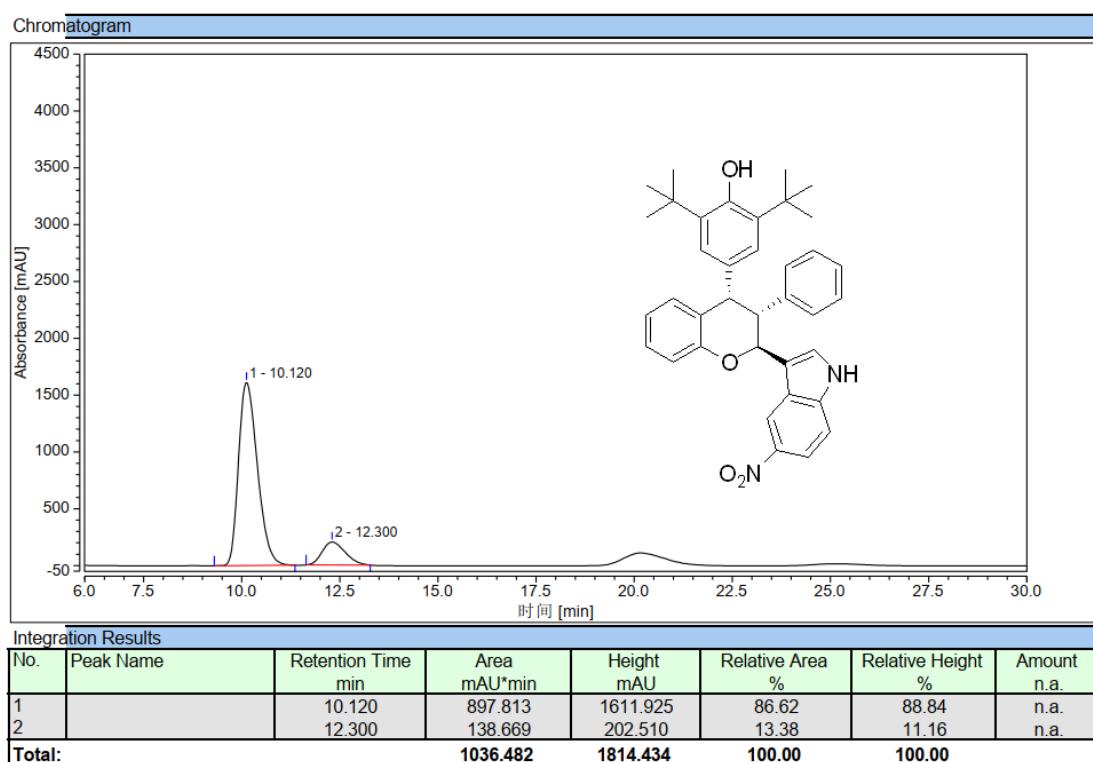
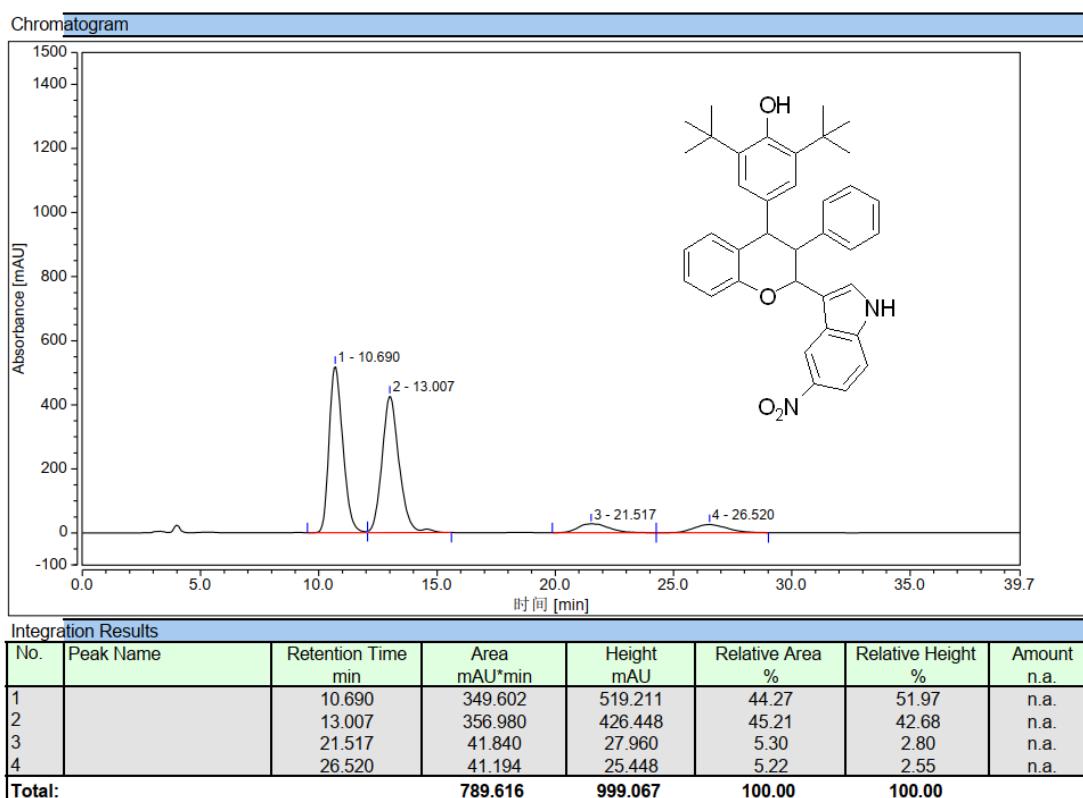
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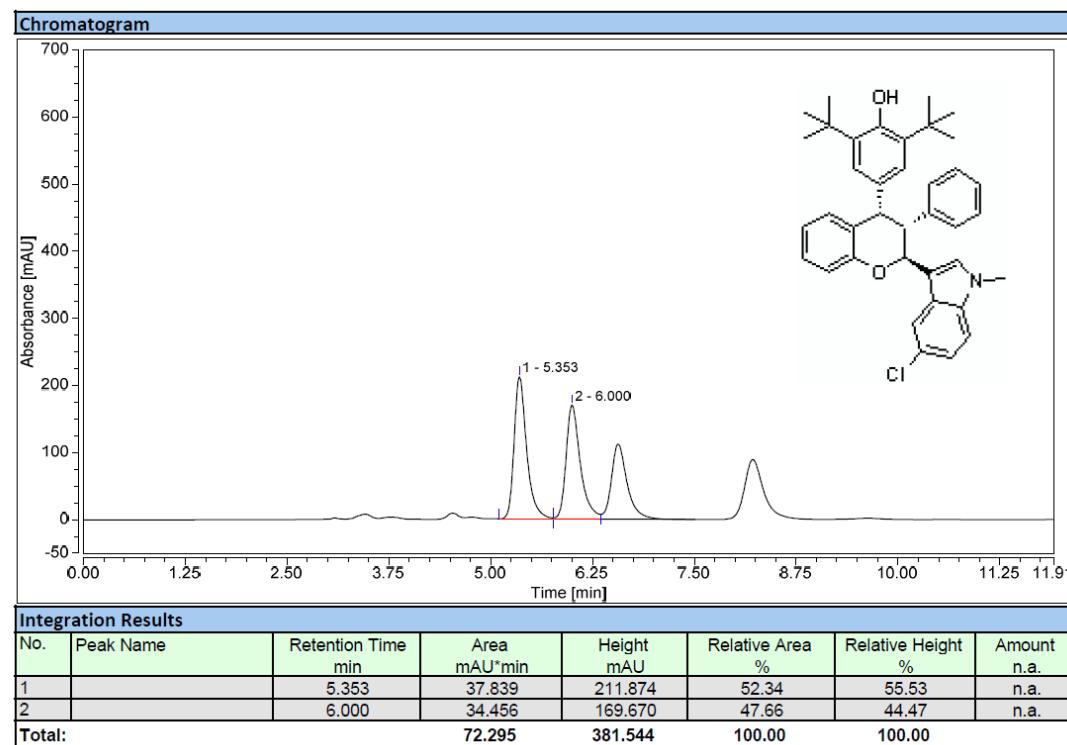
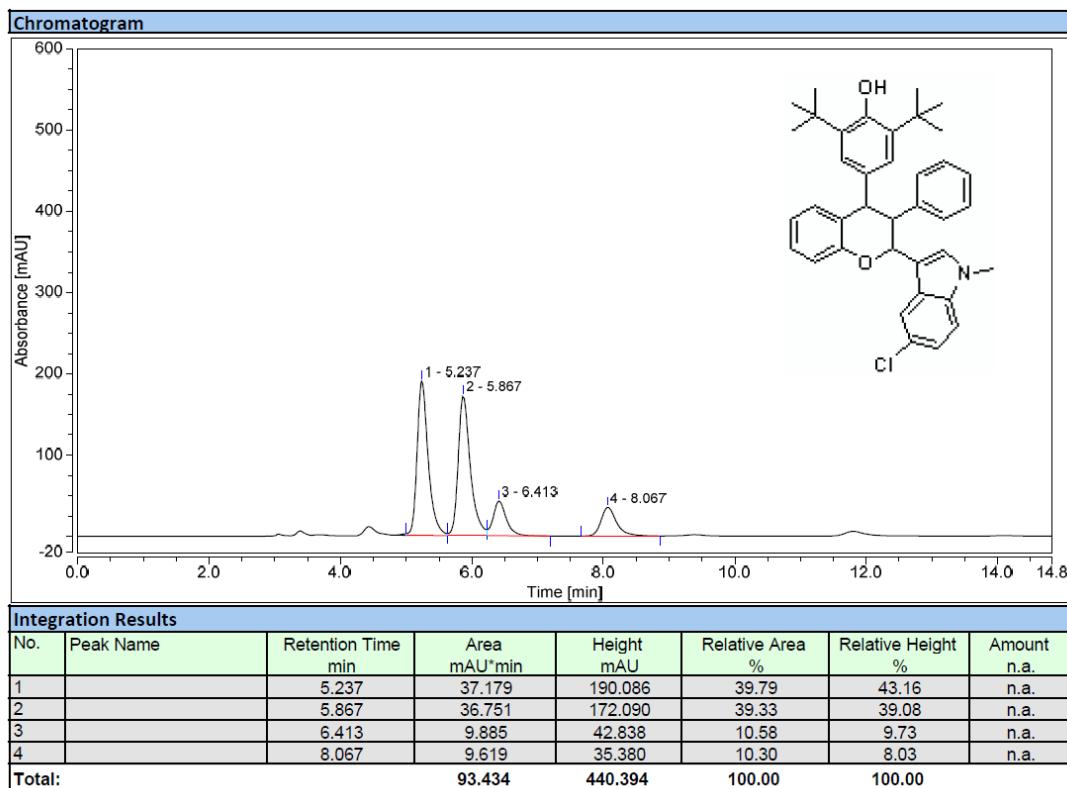
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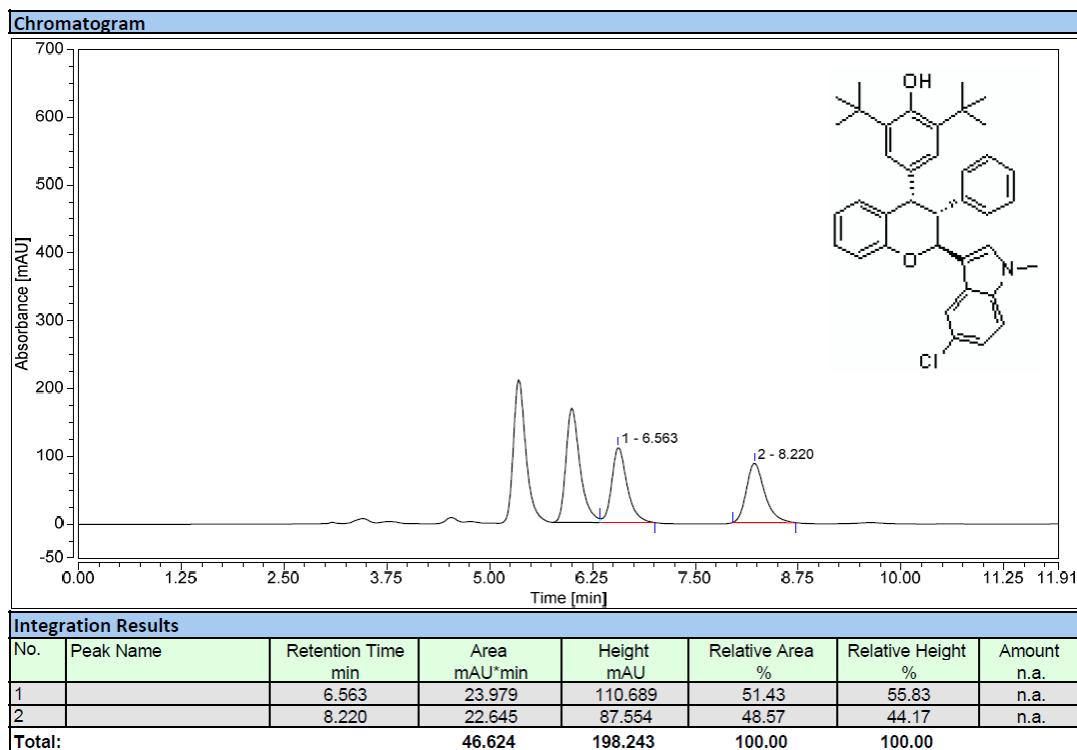


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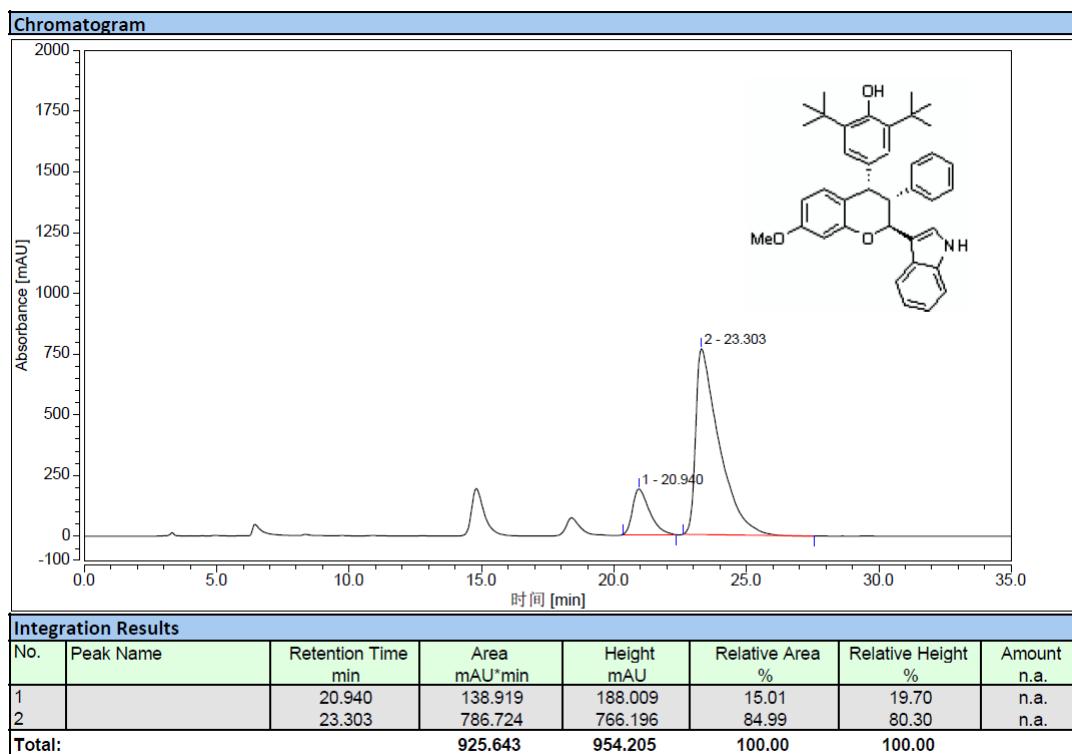
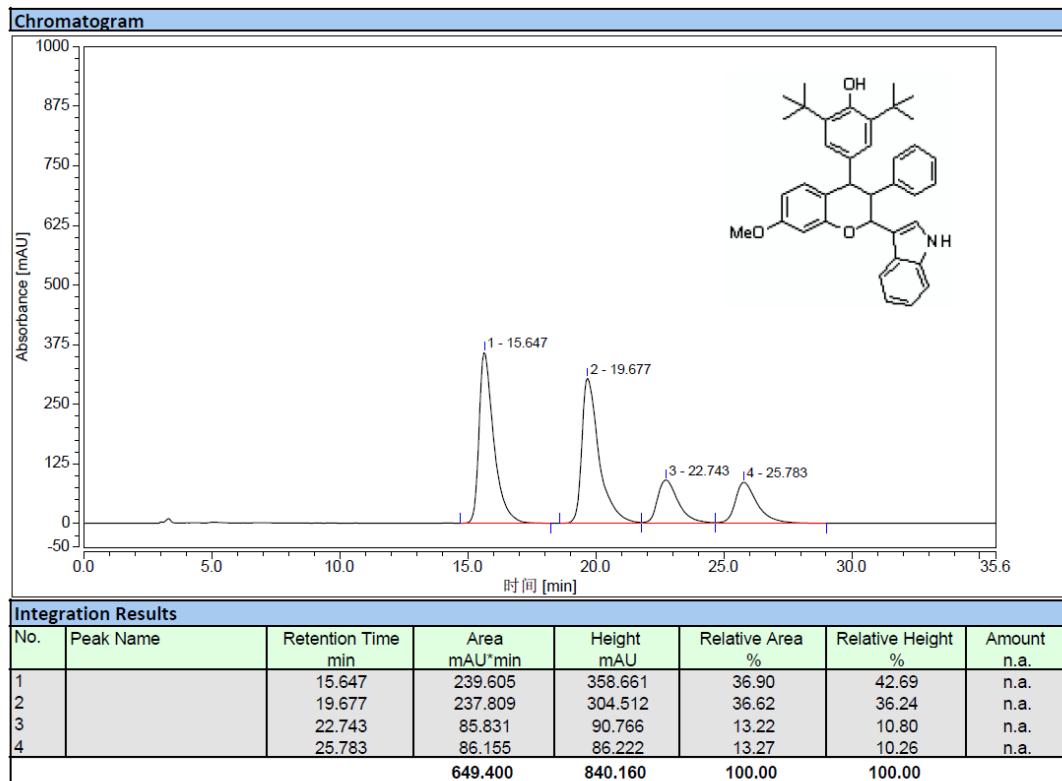


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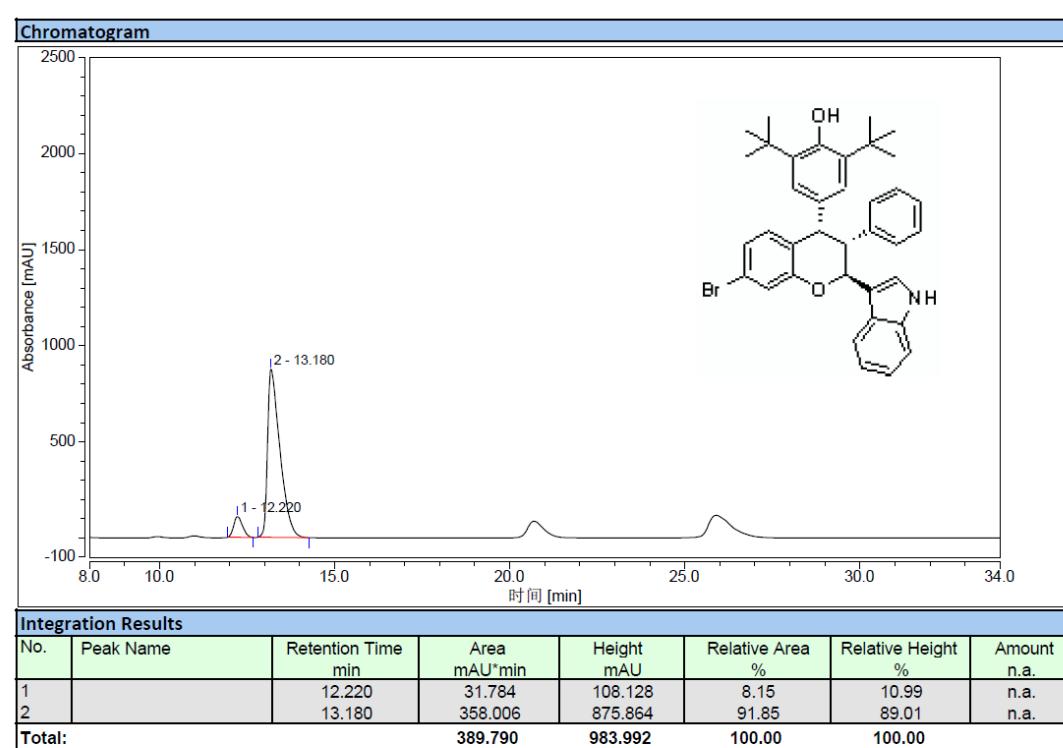
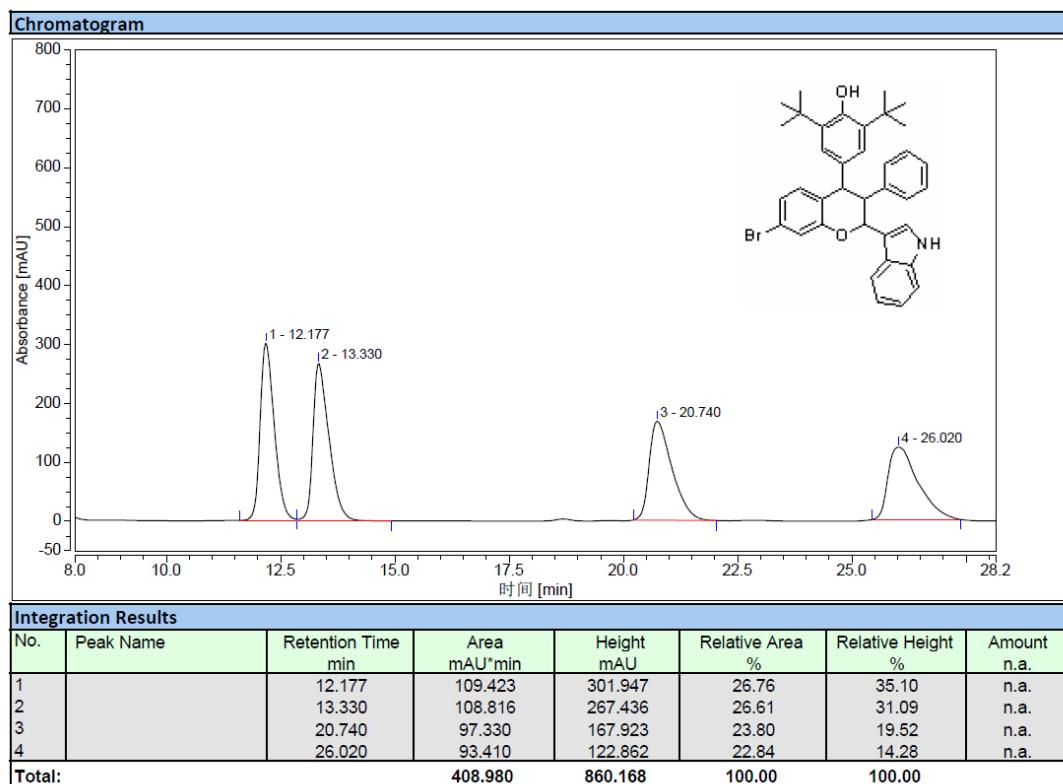




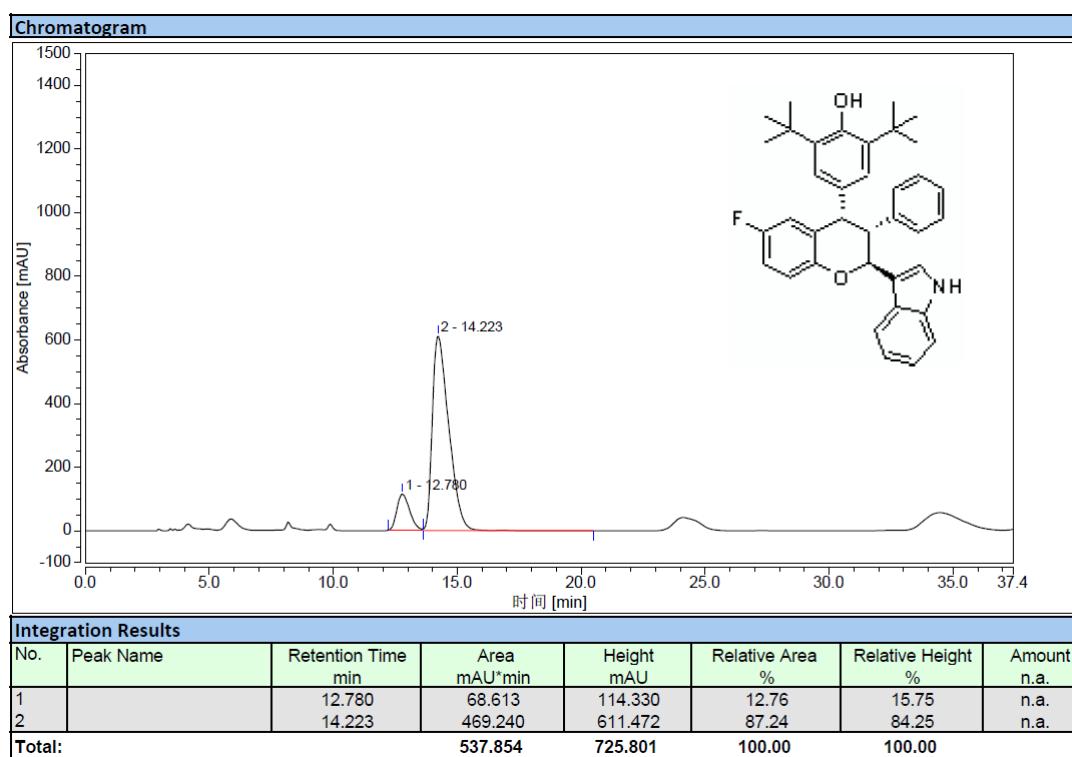
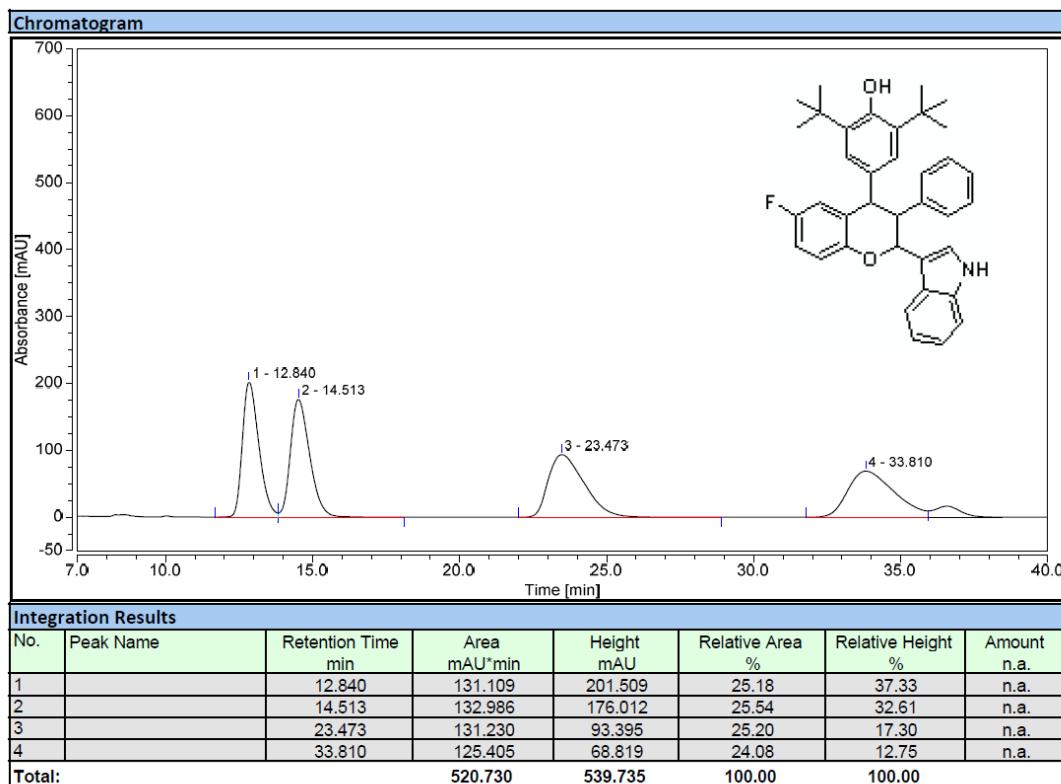
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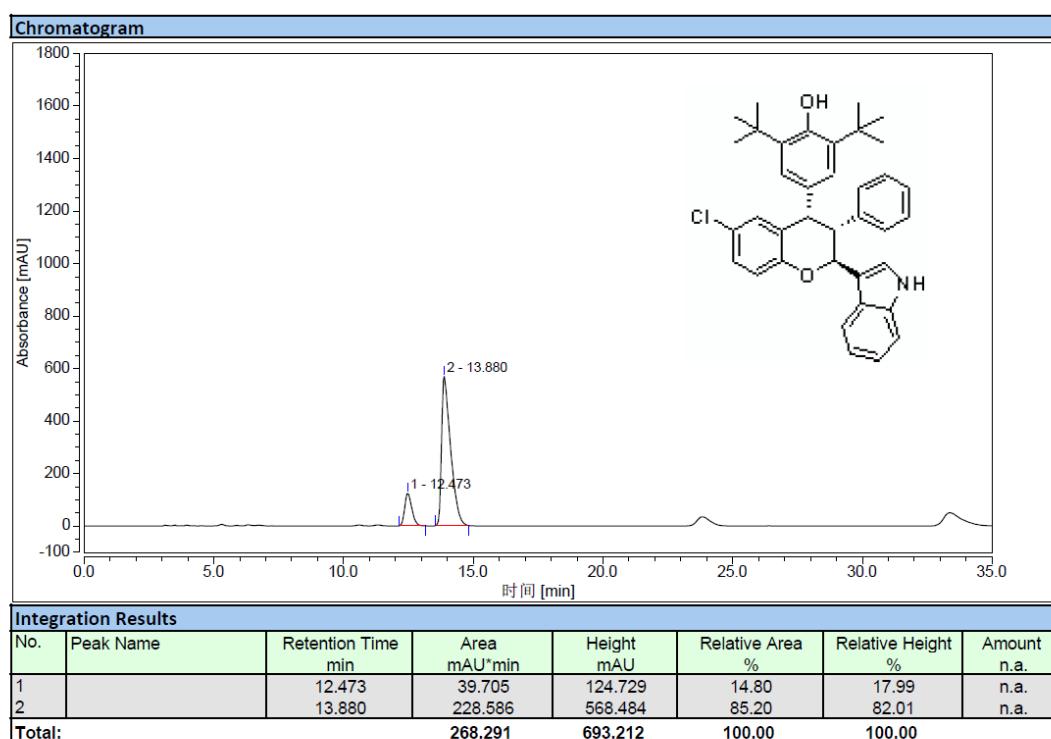
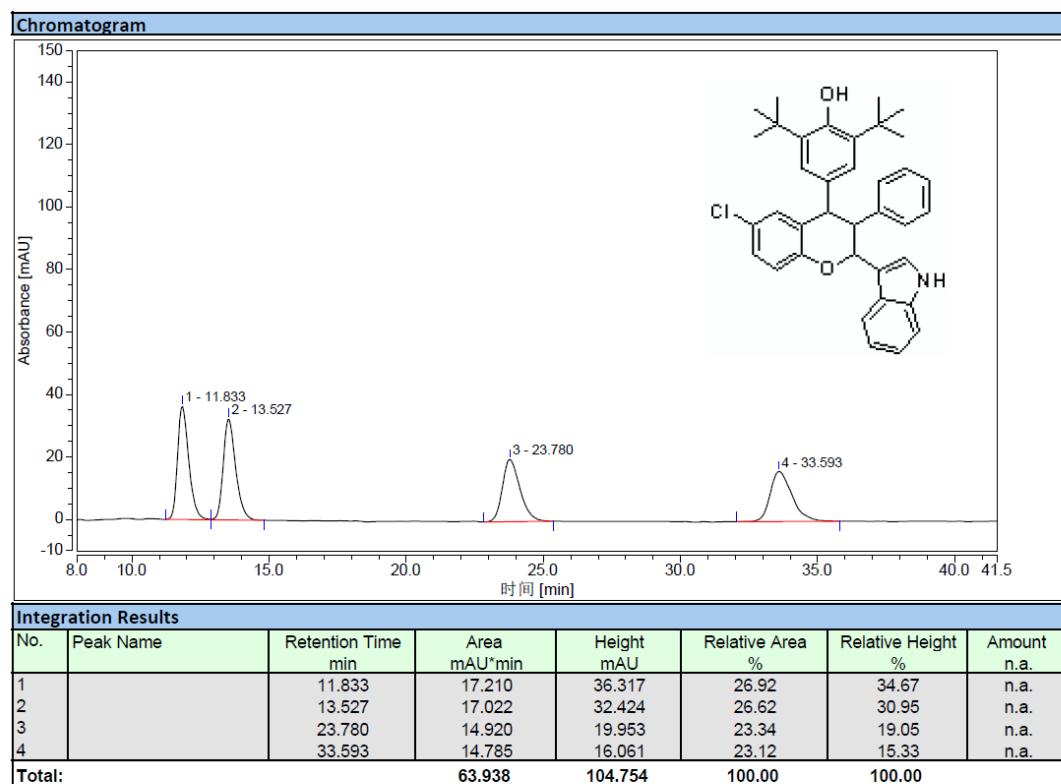
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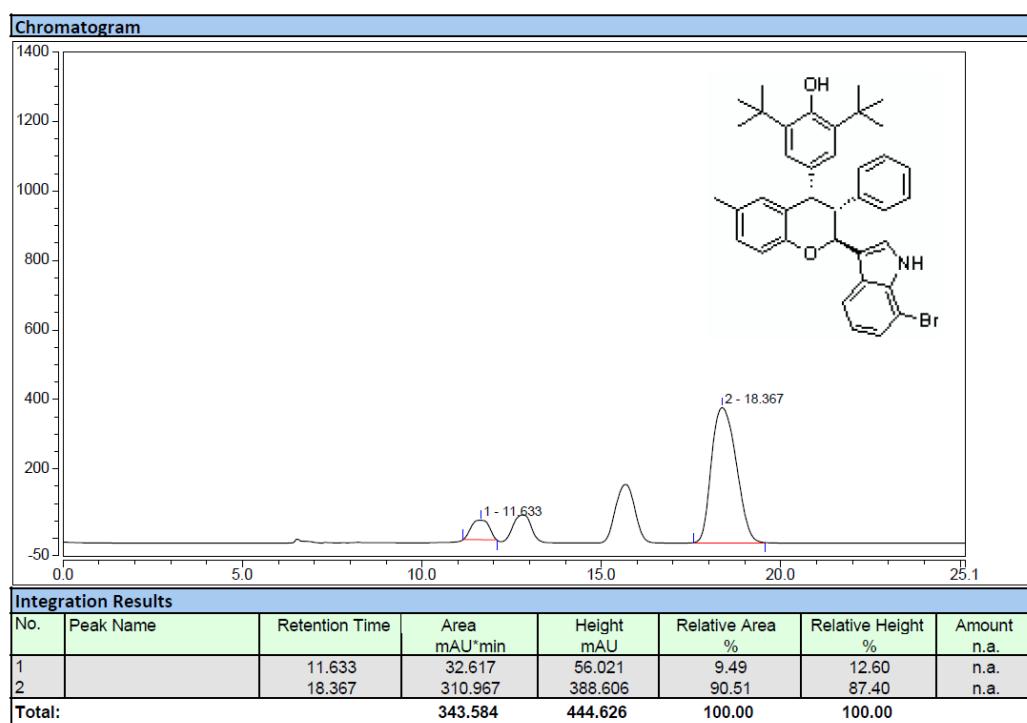
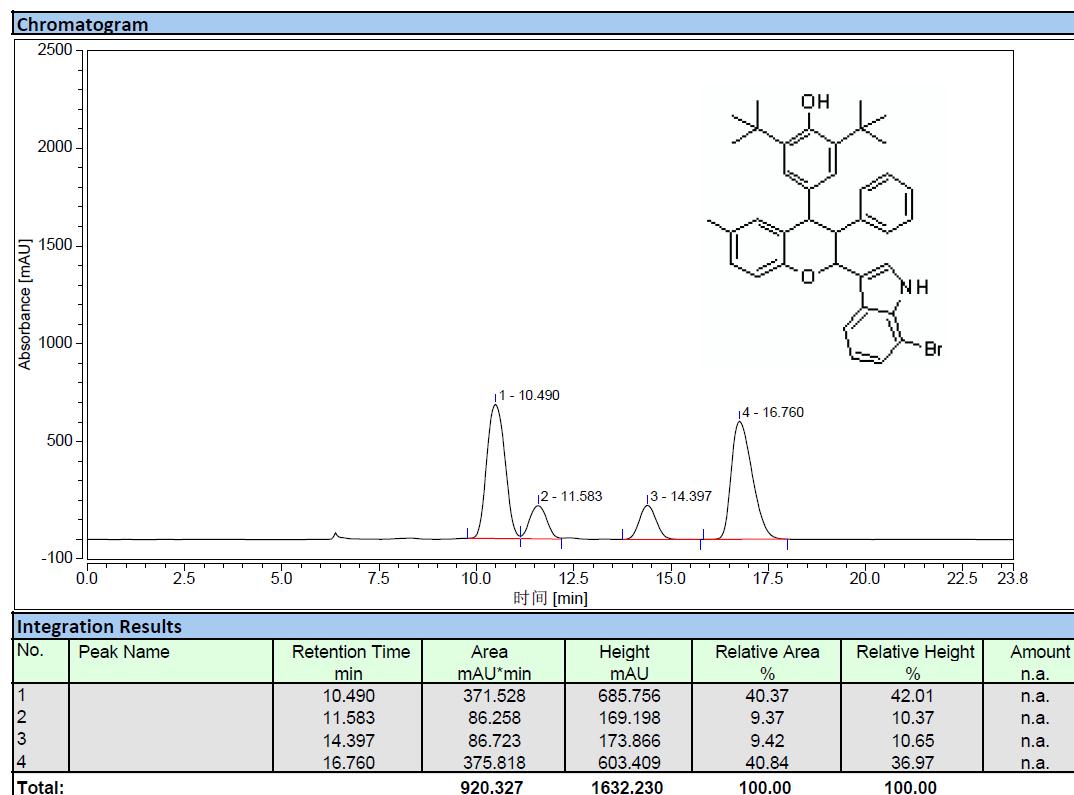
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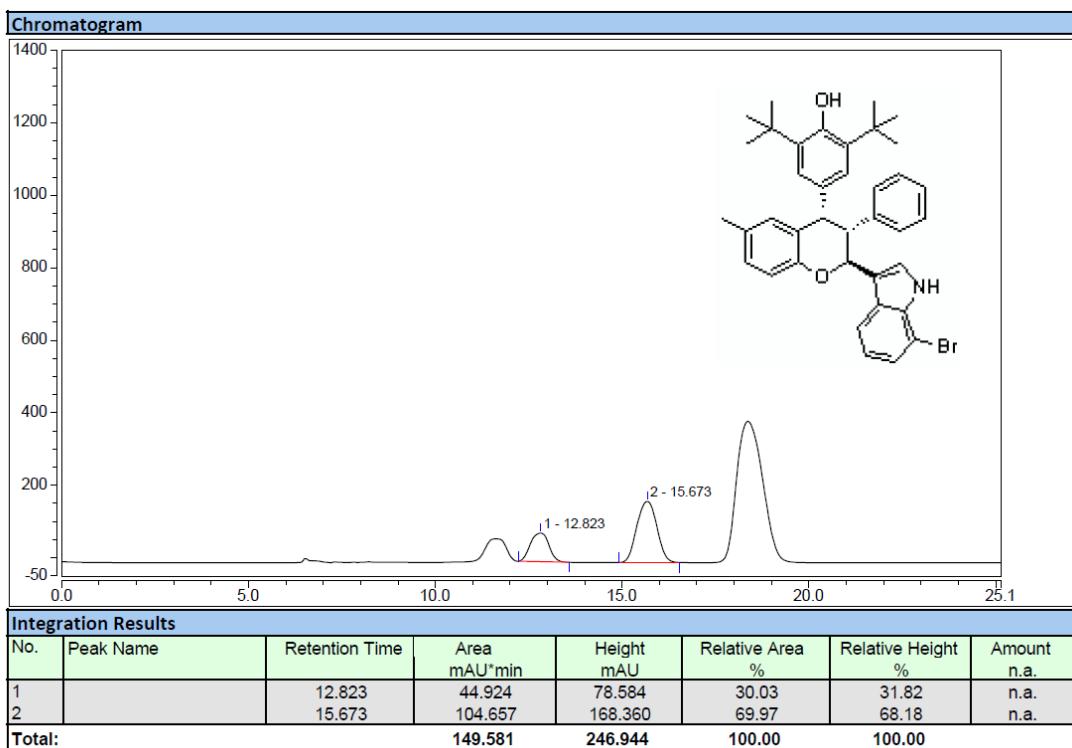


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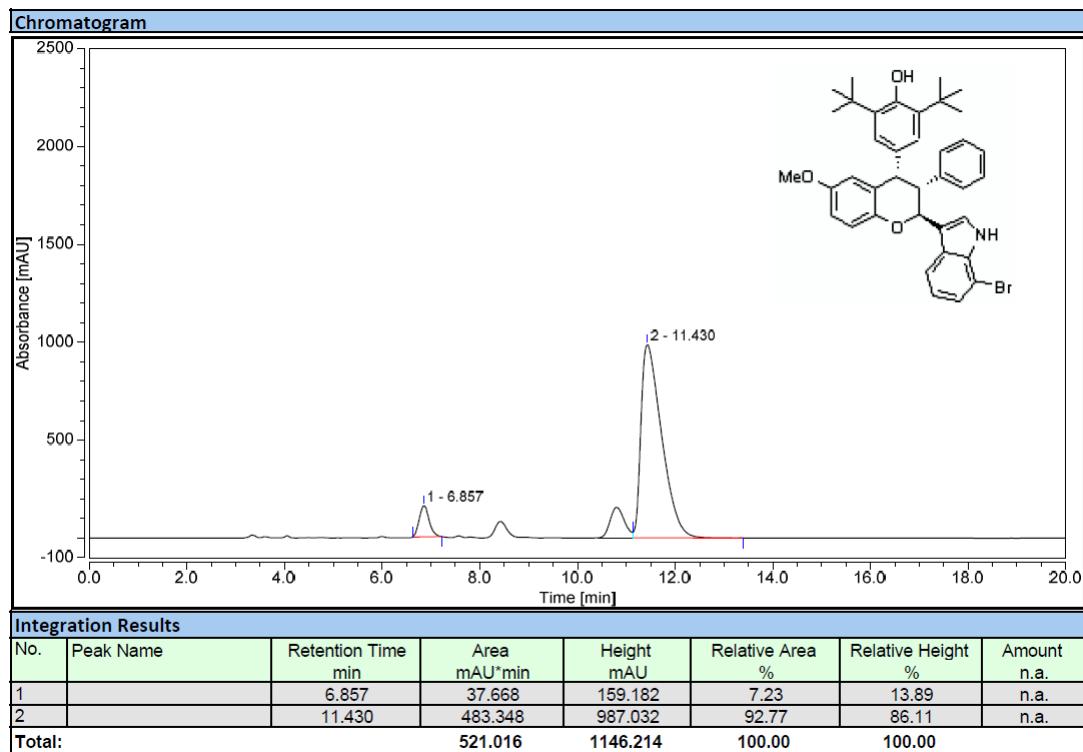
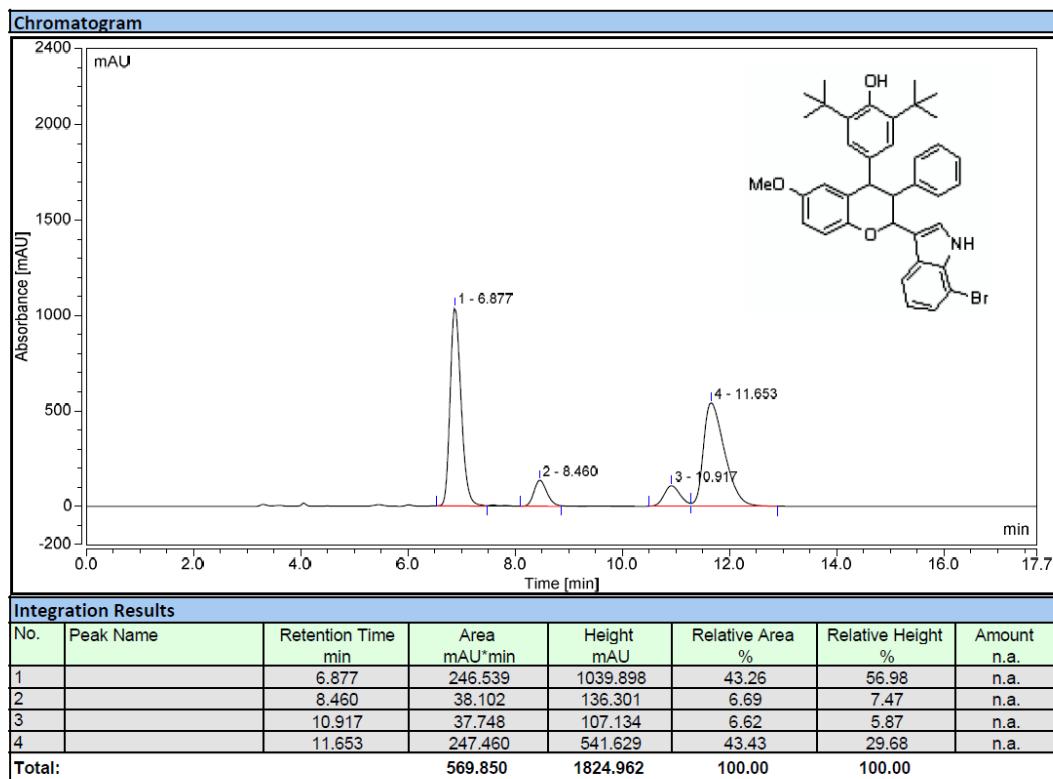


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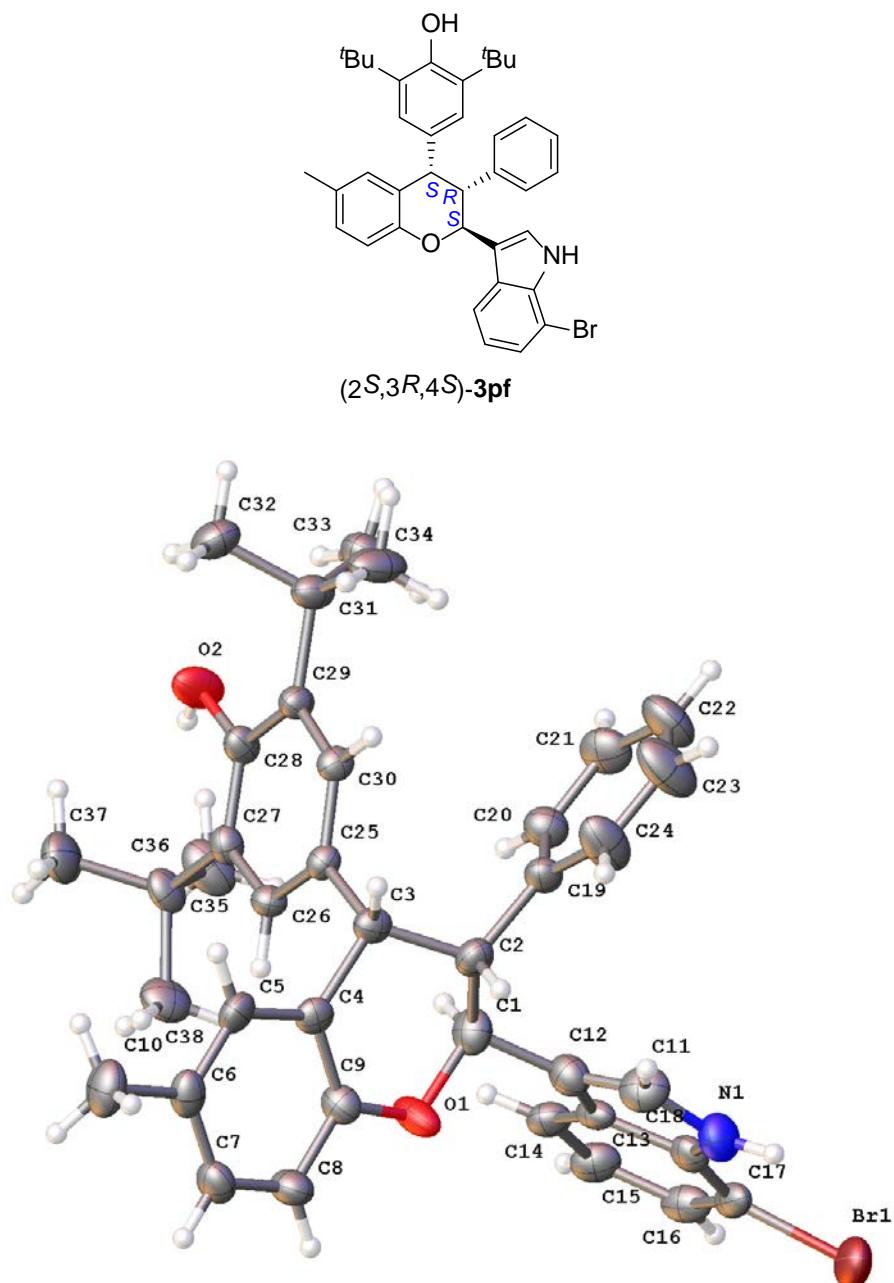




**3pg: (inseparable diastereomers, 87:13 dr)**



### 3. X-ray single crystal data for compound 3pf



The thermal ellipsoid was drawn at the 30% probability level.

Empirical formula	C <sub>38</sub> H <sub>40</sub> BrN O <sub>2</sub>	
Formula weight	622.62	
Temperature	296.15 K	
Wavelength	0.71073 Å	
Crystal system	Orthorhombic	
Space group	P <sub>2</sub> 12 <sub>1</sub> 2 <sub>1</sub>	
Unit cell dimensions	a = 10.382(3) Å b = 15.766(4) Å	$\alpha = 90^\circ$ . $\beta = 90^\circ$ .

	$c = 20.036(6) \text{ \AA}$	$\gamma = 90^\circ$ .
Volume	$3279.6(16) \text{ \AA}^3$	
Z	4	
Density (calculated)	$1.261 \text{ Mg/m}^3$	
Absorption coefficient	$1.286 \text{ mm}^{-1}$	
F(000)	1304	
Theta range for data collection	2.777 to $27.501^\circ$ .	
Index ranges	$-13 \leq h \leq 11, -20 \leq k \leq 20, -26 \leq l \leq 21$	
Reflections collected	19417	
Independent reflections	7385 [ $R(\text{int}) = 0.0362$ ]	
Completeness to theta = $25.242^\circ$	99.8 %	
Absorption correction	None	
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on $F^2$	
Data / restraints / parameters	7385 / 3 / 387	
Goodness-of-fit on $F^2$	1.031	
Final R indices [ $I > 2\sigma(I)$ ]	$R_1 = 0.0594, wR_2 = 0.1422$	
R indices (all data)	$R_1 = 0.1011, wR_2 = 0.1594$	
Absolute structure parameter	0.032(6)	
Extinction coefficient	n/a	
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.781 and $-0.548 \text{ e.\AA}^{-3}$	