

Asymmetric β,γ' -Regioselective [4+3] and [4+2] Annulations of α -Vinylenals via Cascade Iminium Ion–Dienamine Catalysis

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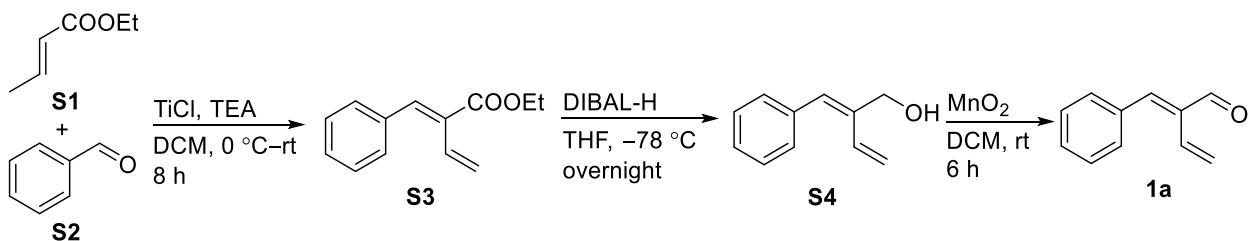
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1. General methods

Unless otherwise noted, all reactions were carried out under ambient atmosphere; when the reactions required heating, the heat source was oil bath. ^1H NMR (400 MHz), ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz) and ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz) spectra were recorded on Varian INOVA-400/54, Agilent DD2-600/54 or Bruker AscendTM 400 instruments (Chemical shifts were reported in ppm from tetramethylsilane with the solvent resonance as the internal standard in CDCl_3 solution, unless otherwise noted). The following abbreviations were used to explain the multiplicities: s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, dd = double doublet, ddd = double double doublet, dt = double triplet; td = triple doublet; tt = triple triplet, m = multiplet, br = broad, and coupling constants (J) are reported in Hertz (Hz). High resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were recorded on a Waters SYNAPT G2, Agilent G1969-85000 or Shimadzu LCMS-IT-TOF using a time-of-flight mass spectrometer equipped with electrospray ionization (ESI) source. X-ray diffraction experiments were carried out on an Agilent Gemini or Xcalibur E and the data obtained were deposited at the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre. In each case, diastereomeric ratio was determined by ^1H NMR analysis and enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC (Agilent Technologies: 1220 Infinity II, 1200 Series, 1260 Infinity) analysis on a chiral column in comparison with authentic racemate, using a Daicel Chiraldak AD-H Column (250 \times 4.6 mm), Chiraldak IE (250 \times 4.6 mm) or Chiraldak IA Column (250 \times 4.6 mm). UV detection was monitored at 254 nm. The specific optical rotation was obtained from Rudolph Research Analytical Autopol I automatic polarimeter in CHCl_3 solution at 25 °C. The melting point was obtained from WRX-4 Mel-Temp apparatus. Column chromatography was performed on silica gel (200–300 mesh) eluting with ethyl acetate (EtOAc) and petroleum ether. TLC was performed on glass-backed silica plates. UV light, I_2 , and solution of potassium permanganate were used to visualize products or starting materials. All chemicals were used without purification as commercially available unless otherwise noted. Petroleum ether (60–90 °C) was redistilled. The secondary amine catalyst **C4**,¹ *N*-(2,2,2-trifluoroethyl) ketimines **2**,² (2*E*,3*E*)-2-benzylidene-4-phenylbut-3-enal **1i**,³ and α,α -dicyanoalkenes **4**⁴ were prepared according to the literature procedures.

2. Typical procedure for the preparation of α -vinylenal **1a**



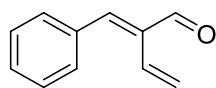
(*E*)-Ethyl 2-benzylidenebut-3-enoate **S3** was synthesized according to literature procedure.⁵

To a mixture of **S1** (1.14 g, 10.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and **S2** (1.06 g, 10.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in DCM

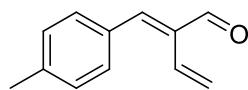
(80.0 mL) was added TEA (3.03 g, 30 mmol, 3.0 equiv). This mixture was kept in ice bath for 5 min before the slow dropwise addition of TiCl₄ (3.76 g, 20 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The mixture was stirred for further 8 h at room temperature. After completion monitored by TLC, the mixture was quenched with water (50 mL) and extracted with DCM (3×30 mL). The combined organic phases were washed with brine (50 mL) and water (50 mL), dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (EtOAc/petroleum ether = 1/15) to afford **S3** as a yellow oil; 1.41 g, 70% yield.

To a solution of **S3** (1.41 g, 7.00 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in dry THF (15 mL) under a nitrogen atmosphere was added DIBAL-H (14.0 mL, 1.0 M solution in hexane, 14.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv) dropwise over a period of 30 min at -78 °C. The mixture was then stirred overnight. After completion monitored by TLC, the reaction mixture is carefully quenched with 2 M HCl solution (10.0 mL), followed by extraction with EtOAc (3×30 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (EtOAc/petroleum ether = 1/10) to afford **S4** as a yellow oil; 0.672 g, 60% yield.

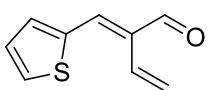
To a solution of **S4** (0.672 g, 4.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in DCM (10.0 mL) was added MnO₂ (1.82 g, 21.0 mmol, 5.0 equiv) in one portion and the mixture was stirred for 6 h at room temperature. After completion monitored by TLC, the mixture was filtered through a pad of celite and the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo. The residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (EtOAc/petroleum ether = 1/15) to afford **1a** as a yellow oil; 531 mg, 80% yield.



(E)-2-Benzylidenebut-3-enal (1a): as a yellow oil; 531 mg, 80% yield for the last step (EtOAc/petroleum ether = 1/15); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 9.67 (s, 1H), 7.51 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 7.44–7.34 (m, 4H), 7.18 (s, 1H), 6.57 (dd, *J* = 17.6, 11.6 Hz, 1H), 6.15 (dd, *J* = 17.9, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 5.56 (d, *J* = 12.2 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 193.8, 149.7, 136.5, 134.6, 130.3 (2C), 129.9, 128.6 (2C), 127.7, 122.5; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₁₁H₁₁O 159.0804; Found 159.0807.



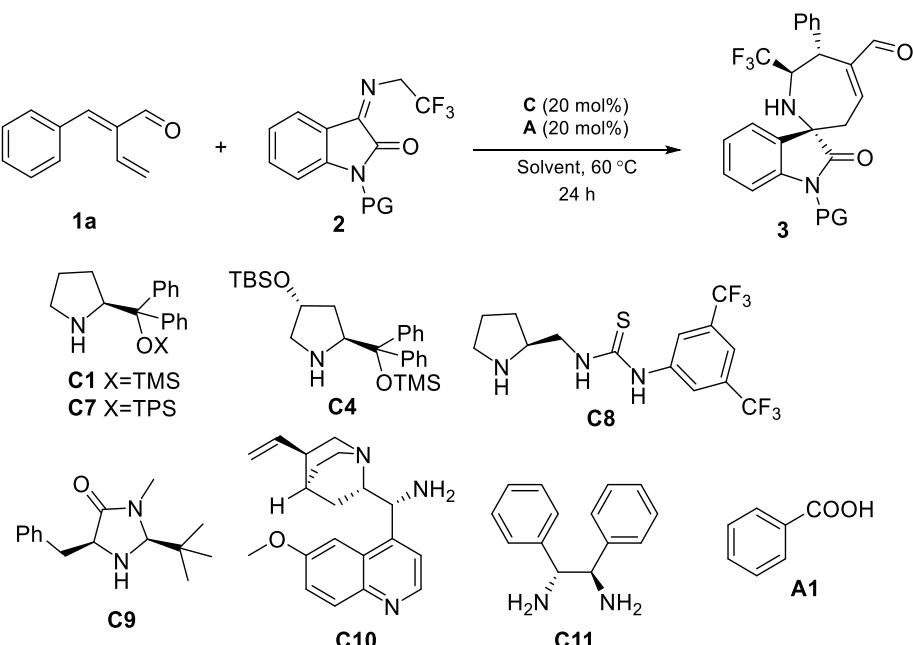
(E)-2-(4-Methylbenzylidene)but-3-enal (1d): as a yellow oil; 420 mg, 70% yield for the last step (EtOAc/petroleum ether = 1/15); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 9.66 (s, 1H), 7.44 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.24 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.17 (s, 1H), 6.58 (dd, *J* = 17.8, 11.8 Hz, 1H), 6.12 (d, *J* = 17.6 Hz, 1H), 5.57 (d, *J* = 11.7 Hz, 1H), 2.39 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 193.9, 150.0, 140.5, 135.9, 131.9, 130.5 (2C), 129.4 (2C), 127.9, 122.2, 21.5; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + Ha]⁺ Calcd for C₁₂H₁₂ONa 195.0786; Found 195.0786.



(E)-2-(Thiophen-2-ylmethylene)but-3-enal (1h): as a yellow oil; 340 mg, 72% yield for the last step (EtOAc/petroleum ether = 1/15); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ (ppm) 9.62 (s, 1H), 7.60 (d, J = 5.1 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (d, J = 3.7 Hz, 1H), 7.30 (s, 1H), 7.15 (t, J = 4.3 Hz, 1H), 6.74 (dd, J = 17.6, 11.6 Hz, 1H), 6.15 (d, J = 17.0 Hz, 1H), 5.66 (d, J = 11.7 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ (ppm) 193.2, 141.5, 138.4, 134.3, 133.8, 132.4, 128.2, 127.7, 123.5; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for $\text{C}_9\text{H}_9\text{OS}$ 165.0374; Found 165.0370.

3. More screening conditions for asymmetric [4+3] and [4+2] annulations of α -vinylenals

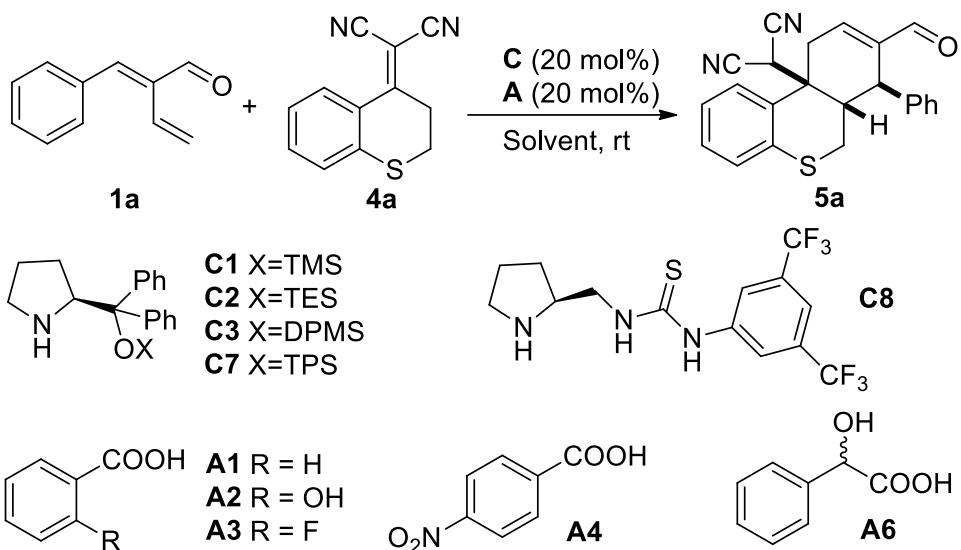
3.1 β,γ' -Regioselective [4+3] annulations of α -vinylenal **1a** with *N*-(2,2,2-trifluoroethyl) ketimines **2^a**



Entry	PG	C	A	Yield (%) ^b	ee (%) ^c
1	Boc	C1	A1	Trace	/
2	H	C1	A1	Messy	/
3	Me	C7	A1	40	82
4	Me	C8	A1	45	67
5	Me	C9	A1	NR	/
6	Me	C10	A1	NR	/
7	Me	C11	A1	NR	/
8	Me	C4	AcOH	50	80
9	Me	C4	TFA	NR	/

^a Unless noted otherwise, reactions were performed with enal **1a** (0.12 mmol, 1.2 equiv), isatin imine **2** (0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv), amine **C** (0.02 mmol, 20 mol%) and acid **A** (0.02 mmol, 20 mol%) in solvent (0.2 mL) at 60 °C for 24 h. ^b Yield of the isolated product. ^c Determined by HPLC analysis on a chiral stationary phase; dr >19:1 by ^1H NMR analysis.

3.2 β,γ' -Regioselective [4+2] annulation of α -vinylenal **1a with α,α -dicyanoalkene **4a**^a**

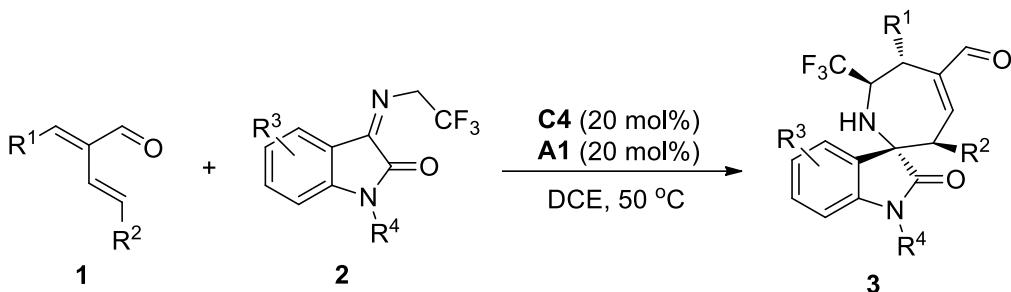


Entry	C	A	Solvent	Yield (%) ^b	ee (%) ^c
1	C1	A1	THF	69	97
2	C2	A1	THF	87	97
3	C3	A1	THF	70	98
4	C7	A1	THF	54	96
5	C8	A1	THF	90	67
6	C2	A2	THF	60	92
7	C2	A3	THF	65	96
8	C2	A4	THF	92	98
9	C2	A6	THF	86	95
10	C2	A4	Toluene	55	93
11	C2	A4	CHCl ₃	50	93
12	C2	A4	DCM	62	99
13	C2	A4	CH ₃ CN	87	92

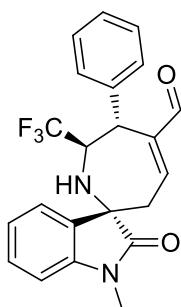
^aUnless noted otherwise, reactions were performed with enal **1a** (0.12 mmol, 1.2 equiv), α,α -dicyanoalkene **4a** (0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv), amine **C** (0.02 mmol, 20 mol%) and acid **A** (0.02 mmol, 20 mol%) in solvent (0.2 mL) at rt for 12 h. ^b Yield of the isolated product. ^c Determined by HPLC analysis on a chiral stationary phase; dr >19:1 by ¹H NMR analysis.

4. General procedure for asymmetric [4+3] and [4+2] annulations of α -vinylenals

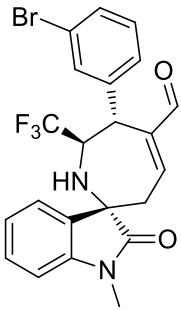
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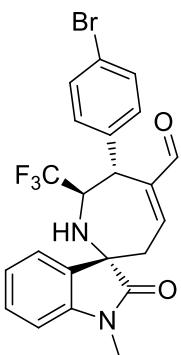
A mixture of α -vinylenal **1** (0.120 mmol, 1.2 equiv), *N*-(2,2,2-trifluoroethyl) ketimine **2** (0.100 mmol, 1.0 equiv), **C4** (9.1 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) and **A1** (2.4 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) in DCE (0.2 mL) was stirred at 50 °C for 12–24 h, and the reaction was monitored by TLC. After completion, the product **3** was obtained by flash chromatography on silica gel (EtOAc/petroleum ether). The racemic **3** could not be obtained by using the achiral amine catalysts, so the mixture of chiral catalyst **C1** and its enantiomer *ent*-**C1** was used for the preparation of the racemate.



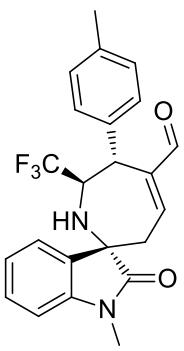
Synthesis of 3a: A mixture of (*E*)-2-benzylidenebut-3-enal **1a** (19.0 mg, 0.120 mmol, 1.2 equiv), (*Z*)-1-methyl-3-((2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)imino)indolin-2-one **2a** (24.2 mg, 0.100 mmol, 1.0 equiv), **C4** (9.1 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) and **A1** (2.4 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) in DCE (0.2 mL) was stirred at 50 °C for 24 h. After completion, purification by flash chromatography on silica gel (EtOAc/petroleum ether = 1/7) gave product **3a**: 30.0 mg (0.075 mmol), as a white solid, 75% yield; mp = 230–231 °C; $[\alpha]_{D}^{25} = +332.5$ ($c = 1.5$ in CHCl₃); >19:1 dr; 92% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Chiralpak IE, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 90/10, 1.0 mL min⁻¹, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (major) = 16.22 min, t (minor) = 19.15 min]; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 9.48 (s, 1H), 7.45–7.30 (m, 2H), 7.39–7.34 (m, 1H), 7.33–7.28 (m, 2H), 7.27–7.21 (m, 1H), 7.18–7.12 (m, 1H), 7.10–7.02 (m, 1H), 6.92 (dd, J = 8.9, 6.2 Hz, 1H), 6.89 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 4.86–4.78 (m, 1H), 4.45 (d, J = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 3.78 (dd, J = 14.8, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 3.24 (s, 3H), 2.47 (dd, J = 14.7, 8.9 Hz, 1H), 2.07 (d, J = 10.3 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 192.7, 177.1, 147.2, 144.6, 142.9, 139.6, 130.8, 130.0, 128.6 (2C), 128.4 (2C), 127.5, 125.9 (q, ¹J_{C-F} = 279.1 Hz), 123.0, 122.3, 108.9, 61.86, 55.7 (q, ²J_{C-F} = 27.5 Hz), 46.2, 32.8, 26.3; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) –74.0; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₂₂H₁₉F₃N₂O₂Na 423.1296; Found 423.1292.



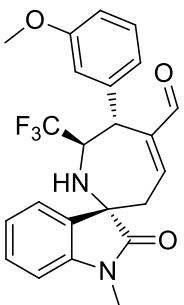
Synthesis of 3b: A mixture of (*E*)-2-(3-bromobenzylidene)but-3-enal **1b** (28.5 mg, 0.120 mmol, 1.2 equiv), (*Z*)-1-methyl-3-((2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)imino)indolin-2-one **2a** (24.2 mg, 0.100 mmol, 1.0 equiv), **C4** (9.1 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) and **A1** (2.4 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) in DCE (0.2 mL) was stirred at 50 °C for 18 h. After completion, purification by flash chromatography on silica gel (EtOAc/petroleum ether = 1/7) gave product **3b**: 31.0 mg (0.0650 mmol), as a white solid, 65% yield; mp 134–135 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +310.4$ ($c = 1.5$ in CHCl₃); >19:1 dr; 87% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 80/20, 1.0 mL min⁻¹, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (major) = 6.70 min, t (minor) = 8.14 min]; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 9.47 (s, 1H), 7.51 (s, 1H), 7.40–7.30 (m, 3H), 7.20–7.12 (m, 2H), 7.06 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 6.97 (dd, $J = 8.9, 6.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.89 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 4.85–4.70 (m, 1H), 4.40 (d, $J = 10.8$ Hz, 1H), 3.72 (dd, $J = 14.7, 6.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.24 (s, 3H), 2.48 (dd, $J = 14.7, 8.9$ Hz, 1H), 2.07 (d, $J = 10.0$ Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 192.5, 177.1, 146.5, 145.2, 142.9, 141.7, 131.3, 130.7, 130.6, 130.1, 130.1, 127.4, 125.8 (q, $^1J_{C-F} = 279.8$ Hz), 123.1, 122.5, 122.4, 109.0, 61.8, 55.7 (q, $^2J_{C-F} = 27.5$ Hz), 45.9, 32.9, 26.3; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) –73.8; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₂₂H₁₉⁷⁹BrF₃N₂O₂ 479.0582; Found 479.0583; Calcd for C₂₂H₁₉⁸¹BrF₃N₂O₂ 481.0562; Found 481.0568.



Synthesis of 3c: A mixture of (*E*)-2-(4-bromobenzylidene)but-3-enal **1c** (28.5 mg, 0.120 mmol, 1.2 equiv), (*Z*)-1-methyl-3-((2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)imino)indolin-2-one **2a** (24.2 mg, 0.100 mmol, 1.0 equiv), **C4** (9.1 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) and **A1** (2.4 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) in DCE (0.2 mL) was stirred at 50 °C for 17 h. After completion, purification by flash chromatography on silica gel (EtOAc/petroleum ether = 1/7) gave product **3c**: 28.7 mg (0.0600 mmol), as a white solid, 60% yield; mp 233–134 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +378.7$ ($c = 1.5$ in CHCl₃); >19:1 dr; 88% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 80/20, 1.0 mL min⁻¹, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (major) = 5.59 min, t (minor) = 6.34 min]; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO) δ (ppm) 8.76 (s, 1H), 6.85 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 6.77–6.65 (m, 2H), 6.66 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 6.46 (dd, $J = 8.9, 6.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.41 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 3.93–3.78 (m, 1H), 3.65 (d, $J = 11.1$ Hz, 1H), 3.20 (d, $J = 10.2$ Hz, 1H), 2.91 (dd, $J = 14.7, 6.2$ Hz, 1H), 1.84 (s, 3H), 1.77 (dd, $J = 14.7, 9.0$ Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO) δ (ppm) 194.3, 177.3, 146.6, 146.4, 142.9, 140.5, 131.8 (2C), 131.0 (2C), 129.8, 126.8 (q, $^1J_{C-F} = 279.7$ Hz), 124.4, 122.6, 120.5, 109.2, 79.65, 62.4, 56.1 (q, $^2J_{C-F} = 27.7$ Hz), 45.4, 32.8, 26.4; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, DMSO): δ (ppm) –66.8; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + Ha]⁺ Calcd for C₂₂H₁₈⁷⁹BrF₃N₂O₂Na 501.0401; Found 501.0399; Calcd for C₂₂H₁₈⁸¹BrF₃N₂O₂Na 503.0381; Found 503.0381.

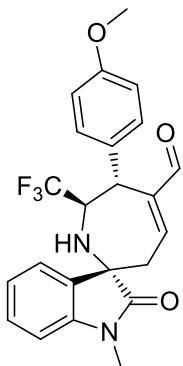


Synthesis of 3d: A mixture of (*E*)-2-(4-methylbenzylidene)but-3-enal **1d** (53.3 mg, 0.120 mmol, 1.2 equiv), (*Z*)-1-methyl-3-((2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)imino)indolin-2-one **2a** (24.2 mg, 0.100 mmol, 1.0 equiv), **C4** (9.1 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) and **A1** (2.4 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) in DCE (0.2 mL) was stirred at 50 °C for 12 h. After completion, purification by flash chromatography on silica gel (EtOAc/petroleum ether = 1/7) gave product **3d**: 33.1 mg (0.0800 mmol), as a white solid, 80% yield; mp 297–298 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +312.2$ ($c = 1.6$ in CHCl₃); >19:1 dr; 91% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 80/20, 1.0 mL min⁻¹, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (major) = 5.22 min, t (minor) = 6.94 min]; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 9.48 (s, 1H), 7.36 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.33–7.28 (m, 2H), 7.15 (d, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.13–7.09 (m, 2H), 7.06 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 6.90 (t, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 2H), 4.85–4.73 (m, 1H), 4.42 (d, $J = 10.8$ Hz, 1H), 3.77 (dd, $J = 14.6, 6.3$ Hz, 1H), 3.24 (s, 3H), 2.46 (dd, $J = 14.6, 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 2.31 (s, 3H), 2.07 (d, $J = 10.3$ Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 192.8, 177.2, 147.3, 144.4, 142.9, 137.2, 136.6, 130.8, 130.0 (2C), 129.3 (2C), 128.3, 126.0 (q, $^1J_{C-F} = 279.8$ Hz), 123.0, 122.3, 108.9, 61.8, 55.6 (q, $^2J_{C-F} = 27.1$ Hz), 45.7, 32.8, 26.3, 21.1; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) –74.0; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + Na]⁺ Calcd for C₂₃H₂₁F₃N₂O₂Na 437.1453; Found 437.1443.

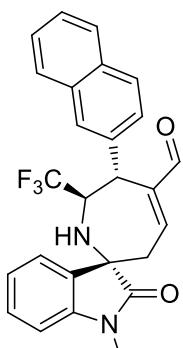


Synthesis of 3e: A mixture of (*E*)-2-(3-methoxybenzylidene)but-3-enal **1e** (22.6 mg, 0.120 mmol, 1.2 equiv), (*Z*)-1-methyl-3-((2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)imino)indolin-2-one **2a** (24.2 mg, 0.100 mmol, 1.0 equiv), **C4** (9.1 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) and **A1** (2.4 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) in DCE (0.2 mL) was stirred at 50 °C for 13 h. After completion, purification by flash chromatography on silica gel (EtOAc/petroleum ether = 1/7) gave product **3e**: 34.4 mg (0.0800 mmol), as a white solid, 80% yield; mp 297–298 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +299.6$ ($c = 1.7$ in CHCl₃); >19:1 dr; 92% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 80/20, 1.0 mL min⁻¹, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (major) = 5.83 min, t (minor) = 6.59 min]; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 9.49 (s, 1H), 7.37 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.24 (t, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.16 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.10–7.02 (m, 2H), 6.98–6.87 (m, 3H), 6.79 (d, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 1H), 4.85–4.70 (m, 1H), 4.44 (d, $J = 10.8$ Hz, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.77 (dd, $J = 14.6, 6.3$ Hz, 1H), 3.25 (s, 3H), 2.47 (dd, $J = 14.6, 8.9$ Hz, 1H), 2.07 (d, $J = 10.2$ Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 192.7, 177.1, 159.6, 147.0, 144.6, 142.9, 141.0, 130.8, 130.0, 129.6, 125.9 (q, $^1J_{C-F} = 276.9$

Hz), 123.0, 122.3, 120.6, 114.7, 112.5, 108.9, 61.8, 55.6 (q, $^2J_{C-F} = 27.5$ Hz), 55.2, 46.0, 32.8, 26.3. ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) -74.0; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + Na]⁺ Calcd for C₂₃H₂₁F₃N₂O₃Na 453.1402; Found 453.1394.

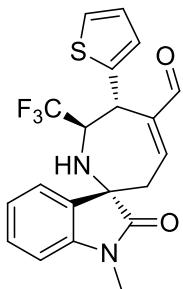


Synthesis of 3f: A mixture of (*E*)-2-(4-methoxybenzylidene)but-3-enal **1f** (22.6 mg, 0.120 mmol, 1.2 equiv), (*Z*)-1-methyl-3-((2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)imino)indolin-2-one **2a** (24.2 mg, 0.100 mmol, 1.0 equiv), **C4** (9.1 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) and **A1** (2.4 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) in DCE (0.2 mL) was stirred at 50 °C for 15 h. After completion, purification by flash chromatography on silica gel (EtOAc/petroleum ether = 1/7) gave product **3f**: 31.4 mg (0.0730 mmol), as a white solid, 73% yield; mp 235–236 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +315.5$ ($c = 1.5$ in CHCl₃); >19:1 dr; 86% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 80/20, 1.0 mL min⁻¹, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (major) = 6.10 min, t (minor) = 9.28 min]; 1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 9.48 (s, 1H), 7.36 (td, $J = 7.8, 1.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.34–7.31 (m, 2H), 7.14 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.05 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 6.92–6.87 (m, 2H), 6.83 (d, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 2H), 4.85–4.70 (m, 1H), 4.40 (d, $J = 10.8$ Hz, 1H), 3.78 (s, 3H), 3.74 (dd, $J = 14.4, 6.4$ Hz, 1H), 3.24 (s, 3H), 2.46 (dd, $J = 14.6, 8.9$ Hz, 1H), 2.04 (d, $J = 10.1$ Hz, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 192.8, 177.2, 158.8, 147.3, 144.1, 142.9, 131.7, 130.8, 130.0, 129.5 (2C), 126.0 (q, $^1J_{C-F} = 278.7$ Hz), 123.0, 122.3, 114.0 (2C), 108.9, 61.8, 55.7 (q, $^2J_{C-F} = 27.4$ Hz), 55.2, 45.3, 32.8, 26.3. ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) -73.9; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + Na]⁺ Calcd for C₂₃H₂₁F₃N₂O₃Na 453.1402; Found 453.1392.

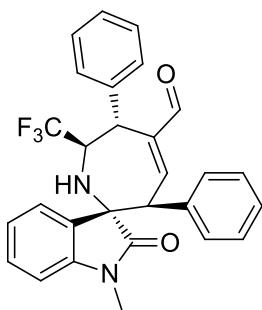


Synthesis of 3g: A mixture of (*E*)-2-(naphthalen-2-ylmethylene)but-3-enal **1g** (25.0 mg, 0.120 mmol, 1.2 equiv), (*Z*)-1-methyl-3-((2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)imino)indolin-2-one **2a** (24.2 mg, 0.100 mmol, 1.0 equiv), **C4** (9.1 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) and **A1** (2.4 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) in DCE (0.2 mL) was stirred at 50 °C for 12 h. After completion, purification by flash chromatography on silica gel (EtOAc/petroleum ether = 1/7) gave product **3g**: 36.9 mg (0.0820 mmol), as a white solid, 82% yield; mp 229–230 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +356.7$ ($c = 1.8$ in CHCl₃); >19:1 dr; 96% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 80/20, 1.0 mL min⁻¹, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (major) = 5.92 min, t (minor) = 11.05 min]; 1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 9.47 (s, 1H),

7.86 (s, 1H), 7.84–7.75 (m, 3H), 7.53 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.49–7.41 (m, 2H), 7.37 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.07 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.98–6.92 (m, 1H), 6.89 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 4.85–4.70 (m, 1H), 4.62 (d, J = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 3.88 (dd, J = 14.6, 6.1 Hz, 1H), 3.25 (s, 3H), 2.51 (dd, J = 14.7, 8.9 Hz, 1H), 2.12 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ (ppm) 192.7, 177.2, 147.1, 144.6, 142.9, 137.0, 133.3, 132.7, 130.8, 130.1, 128.4, 127.9, 127.6, 127.4, 126.5, 126.2, 126.0, 125.9 (q, $^1J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 278.3$ Hz), 123.1, 122.4, 109.0, 61.9, 55.8 (q, $^2J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 27.3$ Hz), 46.4, 32.9, 26.4. ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3): δ (ppm) –74.2; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + Na]⁺ Calcd for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{21}\text{F}_3\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{Na}$ 473.1453; Found 473.1456.

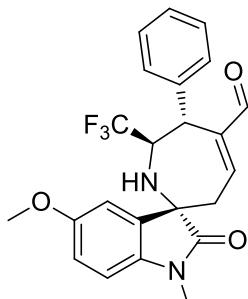


Synthesis of 3h: A mixture of (*E*)-2-(thiophen-2-ylmethylene)but-3-enal **1h** (19.7 mg, 0.120 mmol, 1.2 equiv), (*Z*)-1-methyl-3-((2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)imino)indolin-2-one **2a** (24.2 mg, 0.100 mmol, 1.0 equiv), **C4** (9.1 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) and **A1** (2.4 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) in DCE (0.2 mL) was stirred at 50 °C for 20 h. After completion, purification by flash chromatography on silica gel (EtOAc/petroleum ether = 1/7) gave product **3h**: 32.4 mg (0.0800 mmol), as a white solid, 80% yield; mp 225–226 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +378.8$ ($c = 1.6$ in CHCl_3); >19:1 dr; 88% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 80/20, 1.0 mL min^{–1}, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (major) = 6.70 min, t (minor) = 8.14 min]; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ (ppm) 9.57 (s, 1H), 7.37 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.20–7.12 (m, 2H), 7.11–7.04 (m, 2H), 6.98–6.84 (m, 3H), 4.95–4.80 (m, 2H), 3.65 (dd, J = 14.3, 6.7 Hz, 1H), 3.25 (s, 3H), 2.44 (dd, J = 14.3, 8.7 Hz, 1H), 2.11 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ (ppm) 192.1, 177.0, 146.6, 145.1, 142.9, 142.2, 130.6, 130.0, 126.9, 126.1, 125.8 (q, $^1J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 279.8$ Hz), 124.4, 123.0, 122.4, 109.0, 60.7, 56.2 (q, $^2J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 27.7$ Hz), 39.1, 33.2, 26.3. ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3): δ (ppm) –74.9; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + Na]⁺ Calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{17}\text{F}_3\text{NaO}_2\text{SNa}$ 429.0861; Found 429.0852.

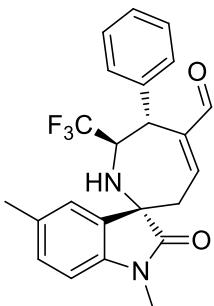


Synthesis of 3i: A mixture of (*2E,3E*)-2-benzylidene-4-phenylbut-3-enal **1i** (28.1 mg, 0.120 mmol, 1.2 equiv), (*Z*)-1-methyl-3-((2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)imino)indolin-2-one **2a** (24.2 mg, 0.100 mmol, 1.0 equiv), **C4** (9.1 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) and **A1** (2.4 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) in DCE (0.2 mL) was stirred at 50 °C for 12 h. After completion, purification by flash

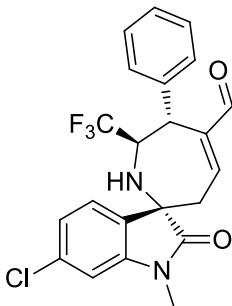
chromatography on silica gel (EtOAc/petroleum ether = 1/7) gave product **3i**: 42.8 mg (0.0900 mmol), as a white solid, 90% yield; mp 226–227 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +298.1$ ($c = 2.0$ in CHCl_3); >19:1 dr; 92% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 80/20, 1.0 mL min⁻¹, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (minr) = 4.53 min, t (major) = 4.99 min]; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ (ppm) 9.53 (s, 1H), 7.48 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.32 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.28–7.22 (m, 3H), 7.14–7.04 (m, 5H), 6.98 (d, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 2H), 6.50 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 5.18 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 1H), 5.12–5.02 (m, 1H), 4.55 (d, $J = 10.6$ Hz, 1H), 2.84 (s, 3H), 2.29 (d, $J = 10.5$ Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ (ppm) 192.7, 176.3, 149.8, 145.4, 143.5, 139.3, 134.6, 130.2, 128.76 (2C), 128.75 (2C), 128.4 (2C), 127.9 (2C), 127.7, 127.68, 127.65, 125.9 (q, $^1J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 279.1$ Hz), 122.8, 122.5, 108.5, 67.4, 55.5 (q, $^2J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 27.2$ Hz), 49.5, 45.6, 25.7. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3): δ (ppm) –74.1; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + Na]⁺ Calcd for $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{23}\text{F}_3\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{Na}$ 499.1609; Found 499.1601.



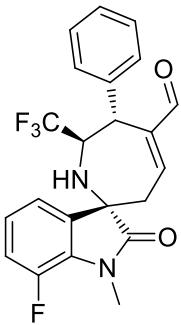
Synthesis of 3j: A mixture of (*E*)-2-benzylidenebut-3-enal **1a** (19.0 mg, 0.120 mmol, 1.2 equiv), (*Z*)-5-methoxy-1-methyl-3-((2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)imino)indolin-2-one **2b** (27.2 mg, 0.100 mmol, 1.0 equiv), **C4** (9.1 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) and **A1** (2.4 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) in DCE (0.2 mL) was stirred at 50 °C for 14 h. After completion, purification by flash chromatography on silica gel (EtOAc/petroleum ether = 1/7) gave product **3j**: 32.2 mg (0.0750 mmol), as a white solid, 75% yield; mp 220–221 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +335.4$ ($c = 1.6$ in CHCl_3); >19:1 dr; 96% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Chiralpak AD, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 90/10, 1.0 mL min⁻¹, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (major) = 9.15 min, t (minor) = 12.20 min]; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ (ppm) 9.46 (d, $J = 1.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.41 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.32–7.27 (m, 2H), 7.25–7.20 (m, 1H), 6.94–6.88 (m, 1H), 6.86 (dd, $J = 8.5, 2.5$ Hz, 1H), 6.79 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 6.75 (d, $J = 2.5$ Hz, 1H), 4.85–4.70 (m, 1H), 4.44 (d, $J = 10.8$ Hz, 1H), 3.82–3.74 (m, 4H), 3.21 (s, 3H), 2.46 (dd, $J = 14.7, 8.9$ Hz, 1H), 2.04 (d, $J = 9.4$ Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ (ppm) 192.7, 176.8, 156.2, 147.2, 144.4, 139.6, 136.2, 132.1, 128.6 (2C), 128.4 (2C), 127.5, 125.9 (q, $^1J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 278.4$ Hz), 113.1, 110.8, 109.2, 62.1, 55.9, 55.7 (q, $^2J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 27.5$ Hz), 46.1, 32.8, 26.4; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3): δ (ppm) –74.0; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{22}\text{F}_3\text{N}_2\text{O}$ 431.1583; Found 431.1583.



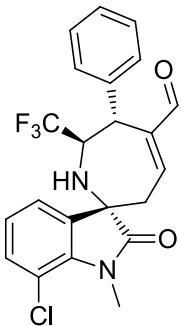
Synthesis of 3k: A mixture of (*E*)-2-benzylidenebut-3-enal **1a** (19.0 mg, 0.120 mmol, 1.2 equiv), (*Z*)-1,5-dimethyl-3-((2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)imino)indolin-2-one **2c** (25.6 mg, 0.100 mmol, 1.0 equiv), **C4** (9.1 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) and **A1** (2.4 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) in DCE (0.2 mL) was stirred at 50 °C for 14 h. After completion, purification by flash chromatography on silica gel (EtOAc/petroleum ether = 1/7) gave product **3k**: 31.0 mg (0.0750 mmol), as a white solid, 75% yield; mp 225–226 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +295.5$ ($c = 1.5$ in CHCl₃); >19:1 dr; 96% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Chiralpak IA, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 90/10, 1.0 mL min⁻¹, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (major) = 4.70 min, t (minor) = 5.43 min]; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 9.50 (s, 1H), 7.45–7.40 (m, 2H), 7.30 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.23 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.16 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.98–6.89 (m, 2H), 6.78 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 4.85–4.70 (m, 1H), 4.46 (d, $J = 10.8$ Hz, 1H), 3.77 (dd, $J = 14.6, 6.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.22 (s, 3H), 2.46 (dd, $J = 14.6, 8.9$ Hz, 1H), 2.33 (s, 3H), 2.04 (d, $J = 10.0$ Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 192.8, 177.1, 147.1, 144.8, 140.4, 139.6, 132.7, 130.9, 130.2, 128.6 (2C), 128.4 (2C), 127.5, 125.9 (q, $^1J_{C-F} = 280.0$ Hz), 123.1, 108.7, 61.9, 55.7 (q, $^2J_{C-F} = 27.2$ Hz), 46.1, 32.8, 26.4, 21.1; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) –74.0; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₂₃H₂₂F₃N₂O₂ 415.1633; Found 415.1639.



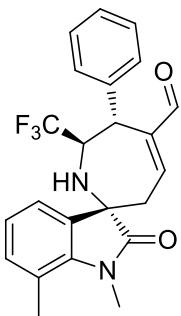
Synthesis of 3l: A mixture of (*E*)-2-benzylidenebut-3-enal **1a** (19.0 mg, 0.120 mmol, 1.2 equiv), (*Z*)-6-chloro-1-methyl-3-((2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)imino)indolin-2-one **2d** (27.7 mg, 0.100 mmol, 1.0 equiv), **C4** (9.1 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) and **A1** (2.4 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) in DCE (0.2 mL) was stirred at 50 °C for 24 h. After completion, purification by flash chromatography on silica gel (EtOAc/petroleum ether = 1/7) gave product **3l**: 29.5 mg (0.0680 mmol), as a white solid, 68% yield; mp 223–224 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +348.7$ ($c = 1.4$ in CHCl₃); >19:1 dr; 94% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 90/10, 1.0 mL min⁻¹, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (major) = 8.28 min, t (minor) = 9.19 min]; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 9.46 (s, 1H), 7.45–7.35 (m, 2H), 7.34–7.26 (m, 2H), 7.24 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.08 (d, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.03 (dd, $J = 7.9, 1.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.93–6.85 (m, 2H), 4.84–4.67 (m, 1H), 4.44 (d, $J = 10.8$ Hz, 1H), 3.76 (dd, $J = 14.6, 6.1$ Hz, 1H), 3.22 (s, 3H), 2.45 (dd, $J = 14.7, 8.9$ Hz, 1H), 2.04 (d, $J = 9.9$ Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 192.6, 177.1, 147.4, 144.2, 143.9, 139.4, 136.0, 129.1, 128.7 (2C), 128.4 (2C), 127.6, 125.9 (q, $^1J_{C-F} = 279.8$ Hz), 123.4, 122.8, 109.7, 61.6, 55.8 (q, $^2J_{C-F} = 27.4$ Hz), 46.2, 32.7, 26.5; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) –73.9; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₂₂H₁₉³⁵ClF₃N₂O₂ 435.1087; Found 435.1089; Calcd for C₂₂H₁₉³⁷ClF₃N₂O₂ 437.1058; Found 437.1079.



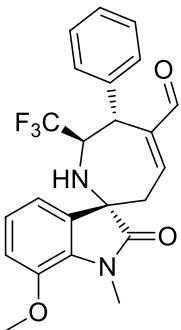
Synthesis of 3m: A mixture of (*E*)-2-benzylidenebut-3-enal **1a** (19.0 mg, 0.120 mmol, 1.2 equiv), (*Z*)-7-fluoro-1-methyl-3-((2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)imino)indolin-2-one **2e** (26.0 mg, 0.100 mmol, 1.0 equiv), **C4** (9.1 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) and **A1** (2.4 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) in DCE (0.2 mL) was stirred at 50 °C for 12 h. After completion, purification by flash chromatography on silica gel (EtOAc/petroleum ether = 1/7) gave product **3m**: 25.0 mg (0.0600 mmol), as a white solid, 60% yield; mp 220–221 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +315.8$ ($c = 1.2$ in CHCl₃); >19:1 dr; 94% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 90/10, 1.0 mL min⁻¹, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (major) = 6.91 min, t (minor) = 9.37 min]; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 9.47 (s, 1H), 7.43–7.38 (m, 2H), 7.33–7.28 (m, 2H), 7.26–7.21 (m, 1H), 7.13–7.06 (m, 1H), 7.03–6.97 (m, 1H), 6.94 (dd, $J = 7.4, 1.3$ Hz, 1H), 6.89 (dd, $J = 8.9, 6.2$ Hz, 1H), 4.85–4.70 (m, 1H), 4.45 (d, $J = 10.8$ Hz, 1H), 3.77 (dd, $J = 14.7, 6.1$ Hz, 1H), 3.46 (d, $J = 2.8$ Hz, 3H), 2.48 (dd, $J = 14.7, 8.9$ Hz, 1H), 2.05 (d, $J = 10.1$ Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 192.6, 176.7, 148.0 (d, $^1J_{C-F} = 243.6$ Hz), 147.3, 144.0, 139.4, 133.6 (d, $^4J_{C-F} = 3.1$ Hz), 129.6 (d, $^3J_{C-F} = 8.5$ Hz), 128.7 (2C), 128.4 (2C), 127.6, 125.8 (q, $^1J_{C-F} = 279.6$ Hz), 123.8 (d, $^3J_{C-F} = 6.3$ Hz), 118.2, 118.1 (d, $^2J_{C-F} = 23.6$ Hz), 61.9, 55.6 (q, $^2J_{C-F} = 27.5$ Hz), 46.1, 32.8, 28.8; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) –74.0, –135.0; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₂₂H₁₉F₄N₂O₂ 419.1383; Found 419.1384.



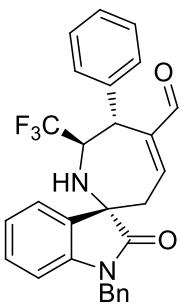
Synthesis of 3n: A mixture of (*E*)-2-benzylidenebut-3-enal **1a** (19.0 mg, 0.120 mmol, 1.2 equiv), (*Z*)-7-chloro-1-methyl-3-((2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)imino)indolin-2-one **2f** (27.7 mg, 0.100 mmol, 1.0 equiv), **C4** (9.1 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) and **A1** (2.4 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) in DCE (0.2 mL) was stirred at 50 °C for 17 h. After completion, purification by flash chromatography on silica gel (EtOAc/petroleum ether = 1/7) gave product **3n**: 26.0 mg (0.0600 mmol), as a white solid, 60% yield; mp 233–234 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +348.2$ ($c = 1.2$ in CHCl₃); >19:1 dr; 94% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 90/10, 1.0 mL min⁻¹, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (major) = 7.17 min, t (minor) = 10.67 min]; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 9.47 (s, 1H), 7.42–7.38 (m, 2H), 7.33–7.22 (m, 4H), 7.05 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.96 (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.91–6.85 (m, 1H), 4.90–4.75 (m, 1H), 4.44 (d, $J = 10.8$ Hz, 1H), 3.76 (dd, $J = 14.5, 6.1$ Hz, 1H), 3.61 (s, 3H), 2.45 (dd, $J = 14.6, 8.9$ Hz, 1H), 2.02 (d, $J = 10.2$ Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 192.6, 177.4, 147.3, 144.0, 139.4, 138.9, 133.5, 132.3, 128.7 (2C), 128.4 (2C), 127.6, 125.9 (q, $^1J_{C-F} = 279.8$ Hz), 123.8, 120.9, 116.5, 61.4, 55.7 (q, $^2J_{C-F} = 27.4$ Hz), 46.1, 32.9, 29.8; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) –74.0; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + Na]⁺ Calcd for C₂₂H₁₈³⁵ClF₃N₂O₂Na 457.0907; Found 457.0892; Calcd for C₂₂H₁₈³⁷ClF₃N₂O₂Na 459.0877; Found 459.0868.



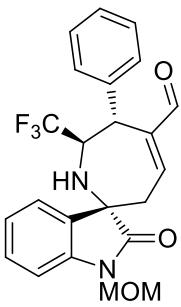
Synthesis of 3o: A mixture of (*E*)-2-benzylidenebut-3-enal **1a** (19.0 mg, 0.120 mmol, 1.2 equiv), (*Z*)-1,7-dimethyl-3-((2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)imino)indolin-2-one **2g** (25.6 mg, 0.100 mmol, 1.0 equiv), **C4** (9.1 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) and **A1** (2.4 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) in DCE (0.2 mL) was stirred at 50 °C for 12 h. After completion, purification by flash chromatography on silica gel (EtOAc/petroleum ether = 1/7) gave product **3o**: 31.1 mg (0.0750 mmol), as a white solid, 75% yield; mp 219–220 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +307.6$ ($c = 1.5$ in CHCl₃); >19:1 dr; 80% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Chiralpak IA, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 90/10, 1.0 mL min⁻¹, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (major) = 7.03 min, t (minor) = 8.89 min]; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 9.47 (s, 1H), 7.44–7.39 (m, 2H), 7.33–7.27 (m, 2H), 7.23 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.08 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 6.98 (d, $J = 6.3$ Hz, 1H), 6.95–6.89 (m, 2H), 4.89–4.74 (m, 1H), 4.44 (d, $J = 10.8$ Hz, 1H), 3.76 (dd, $J = 14.6, 6.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.52 (s, 3H), 2.59 (s, 3H), 2.45 (dd, $J = 14.6, 8.9$ Hz, 1H), 2.02 (d, $J = 10.2$ Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 192.7, 177.8, 147.0, 144.8, 140.5, 139.6, 133.7, 131.6, 128.6 (2C), 128.4 (2C), 127.4, 125.9 (q, $^1J_{C-F} = 279.9$ Hz), 123.0, 120.7, 120.2, 61.1, 55.7 (q, $^2J_{C-F} = 27.47$ Hz), 46.1, 33.0, 29.7, 19.0; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) –74.0; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₂₃H₂₂F₃N₂O₂ 415.1633; Found 415.1635.



Synthesis of 3p: A mixture of (*E*)-2-benzylidenebut-3-enal **1a** (19.0 mg, 0.120 mmol, 1.2 equiv), (*Z*)-7-methoxy-1-methyl-3-((2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)imino)indolin-2-one **2h** (27.2 mg, 0.100 mmol, 1.0 equiv), **C4** (9.1 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) and **A1** (2.4 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) in DCE (0.2 mL) was stirred at 50 °C for 14 h. After completion, purification by flash chromatography on silica gel (EtOAc/petroleum ether = 1/7) gave product **3p**: 33.5 mg (0.0780 mmol), as a white solid, 78% yield; mp 227–228 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +346.3$ ($c = 1.6$ in CHCl₃); >19:1 dr; 94% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Chiralpak IA, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 90/10, 1.0 mL min⁻¹, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (major) = 7.69 min, t (minor) = 9.50 min]; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 9.46 (s, 1H), 7.46–7.38 (m, 2H), 7.34–7.26 (m, 2H), 7.26–7.20 (m, 1H), 7.00 (t, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 1H), 6.95–6.85 (m, 2H), 6.76 (d, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1H), 4.85–4.70 (m, 1H), 4.44 (d, $J = 10.8$ Hz, 1H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 3.75 (dd, $J = 14.7, 6.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.50 (s, 3H), 2.46 (dd, $J = 14.7, 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 2.04 (d, $J = 10.0$ Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 192.7, 177.3, 147.0, 145.9, 144.9, 139.6, 132.3, 130.7, 128.6 (2C), 128.4 (2C), 127.4, 125.9 (q, $^1J_{C-F} = 279.4$ Hz), 123.8, 114.8, 113.8, 61.7, 56.1, 55.6 (q, $^2J_{C-F} = 27.2$ Hz), 46.0, 33.0, 29.7; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) –74.0; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + Na]⁺ Calcd for C₂₃H₂₁F₃N₂O₃Na 453.1402; Found 453.1403.

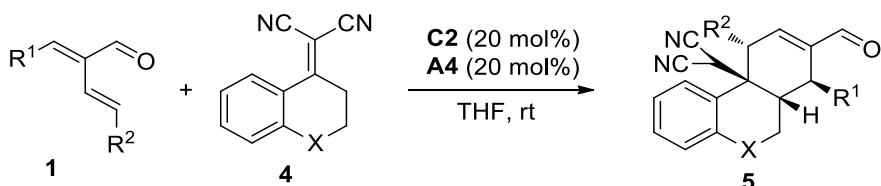


Synthesis of 3q: A mixture of (*E*)-2-benzylidenebut-3-enal **1a** (19.0 mg, 0.120 mmol, 1.2 equiv), (*Z*)-1-benzyl-3-((2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)imino)indolin-2-one **2i** (31.8 mg, 0.100 mmol, 1.0 equiv), **C4** (9.1 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) and **A1** (2.4 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) in DCE (0.2 mL) was stirred at 50 °C for 12 h. After completion, purification by flash chromatography on silica gel (EtOAc/petroleum ether = 1/7) gave product **3q**: 37.1 mg (0.0780 mmol), as a white solid, 78% yield; mp 223–224 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +298.4$ ($c = 1.8$ in CHCl₃); >19:1 dr; 93% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 90/10, 1.0 mL min⁻¹, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (major) = 9.24 min, t (minor) = 11.90 min]; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 9.48 (s, 1H), 7.46–7.40 (m, 2H), 7.35–7.27 (m, 6H), 7.26–7.20 (m, 3H), 7.15 (d, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.01 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 6.97–6.91 (m, 1H), 6.77 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 5.00–4.88 (m, 3H), 4.47 (d, $J = 10.7$ Hz, 1H), 3.86 (dd, $J = 14.7, 6.2$ Hz, 1H), 2.54 (dd, $J = 14.6, 8.9$ Hz, 1H), 2.09 (d, $J = 9.6$ Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 192.7, 177.2, 147.2, 144.5, 142.0, 139.6, 135.3, 130.9, 129.9, 128.9 (2C), 128.7 (2C), 128.4 (2C), 127.8, 127.5, 127.2 (2C), 126.7 (q, $^1J_{C-F} = 279.3$ Hz), 123.1, 122.4, 109.9, 61.8, 55.7 (q, $^2J_{C-F} = 27.8$ Hz), 46.1, 43.7, 32.6; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) –74.0; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + Na]⁺ Calcd for C₂₈H₂₃F₃N₂O₂Na 499.1609; Found 499.1612.

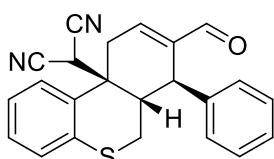


Synthesis of 3r: A mixture of (*E*)-2-benzylidenebut-3-enal **1a** (19.0 mg, 0.120 mmol, 1.2 equiv), (*Z*)-1-(methoxymethyl)-3-((2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)imino)indolin-2-one **2j** (27.2 mg, 0.100 mmol, 1.0 equiv), **C4** (9.1 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) and **A1** (2.4 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) in DCE (0.2 mL) was stirred at 50 °C for 12 h. After completion, purification by flash chromatography on silica gel (EtOAc/petroleum ether = 1/7) gave product **3r**: 34.4 mg (0.0800 mmol), as a white semisolid, 80% yield; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +326.7$ ($c = 1.7$ in CHCl₃); >19:1 dr; 94% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 90/10, 1.0 mL min⁻¹, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (major) = 6.98 min, t (minor) = 8.75 min]; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 9.49 (s, 1H), 7.45–7.40 (m, 2H), 7.38 (t, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.34–7.28 (m, 2H), 7.27–7.23 (m, 1H), 7.22–7.17 (m, 1H), 7.13–7.08 (m, 2H), 6.96 (dd, $J = 8.9, 6.1$ Hz, 1H), 5.17 (s, 2H), 4.85–4.70 (m, 1H), 4.46 (d, $J = 10.8$ Hz, 1H), 3.83 (dd, $J = 14.6, 6.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.37 (s, 3H), 2.55 (dd, $J = 14.6, 8.9$ Hz, 1H), 2.12 (br, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 192.7, 177.7, 147.2, 144.3, 141.1, 139.5, 130.4, 130.2, 128.7 (2C), 128.4 (2C), 127.5, 125.9 (q, $^1J_{C-F} = 279.0$ Hz), 123.6, 122.5, 110.4, 71.3, 62.1, 56.3, 55.7 (q, $^2J_{C-F} = 27.1$ Hz), 46.2, 32.6; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) –74.1; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₂₃H₂₂F₃N₂O₃ 431.1580; Found 431.1588.

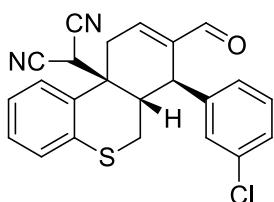
4.2 β,γ' -Regioselective [4+2] annulations of α -vinylenals 1 with 2-(thiochroman-4-ylidene)malononitriles 4



A mixture of α -vinylenal **1** (0.120 mmol, 1.2 equiv), α,α -dicyanoalkene **4** (21.2 mg, 0.100 mmol, 1.0 equiv), **C2** (4.72 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) and **A4** (3.34 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) in THF (0.2 mL) was stirred at rt for 12 h, and the reaction was monitored by TLC. After completion, the product **5** was obtained by flash chromatography on silica gel (EtOAc/petroleum ether). The racemic **5** was obtained under the catalysis of racemic amine **C1**.

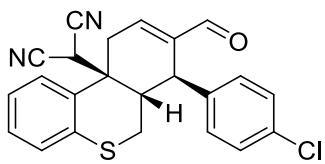


Synthesis of 5a: A mixture of (*E*)-2-benzylidenebut-3-enal **1a** (19.0 mg, 0.120 mmol, 1.2 equiv), 2-(thiochroman-4-ylidene)malononitrile **4a** (21.2 mg, 0.100 mmol, 1.0 equiv), **C2** (4.72 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) and **A4** (3.34 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) in THF (0.2 mL) was stirred at room temperature for 12 h. After completion, purification by flash chromatography on silica gel (EtOAc/petroleum ether = 1/7) gave the product **5a**: 34.0 mg (0.0920 mmol), as a yellow solid, 92% yield; mp = 121–122 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +112.3$ ($c = 1.7$ in CHCl₃); >19:1 dr; 98% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 90/10, 1.0 mL min⁻¹, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (minor) = 14.28 min, t (major) = 21.55 min]; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 9.18 (s, 1H), 7.34–7.22 (m, 6H), 7.20–7.15 (m, 2H), 7.14–7.09 (m, 1H), 6.96 (d, $J = 4.2$ Hz, 1H), 4.36 (s, 1H), 3.65 (dd, $J = 18.7, 6.5$ Hz, 1H), 3.35 (d, $J = 9.9$ Hz, 1H), 3.12 (d, $J = 18.7$ Hz, 1H), 3.00–2.90 (m, 2H), 2.72–2.64 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 191.2, 143.5, 143.3, 139.9, 132.4, 129.5, 128.9 (2C), 128.3 (2C), 127.69, 127.63, 127.5, 127.2, 125.3, 110.7, 110.5, 43.3, 42.2, 41.8, 31.5, 31.1, 22.8. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + Na]⁺ Calcd for C₂₃H₁₈N₂OSNa 393.1038; Found 393.1033.

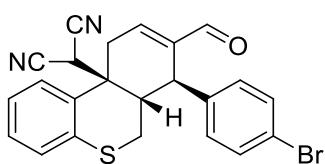


Synthesis of 5b: A mixture of (*E*)-2-(3-chlorobenzylidene)but-3-enal **1j** (23.1 mg, 0.120 mmol, 1.2 equiv), 2-(thiochroman-4-ylidene)malononitrile **4a** (21.2 mg, 0.100 mmol, 1.0 equiv), **C2** (4.72 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) and **A4** (3.34 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) in THF (0.2 mL) was stirred at room temperature for 12 h. After completion, purification by flash chromatography on silica gel (EtOAc/petroleum ether = 1/7) gave the product **5b**: 30.3 mg (0.0750 mmol), as a yellow solid, 75% yield; mp = 128–129 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +100.4$ ($c = 1.5$ in CHCl₃); >19:1 dr; 94% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 80/20, 1.0 mL min⁻¹, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (minor)

= 8.64 min, t (major) = 12.10 min]; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ (ppm) 9.20 (s, 1H), 7.30–7.20 (m, 5H), 7.17–7.11 (m, 2H), 7.10–7.07 (m, 1H), 7.00 (d, J = 5.8 Hz, 1H), 4.35 (s, 1H), 3.67 (dd, J = 18.8, 6.5 Hz, 1H), 3.33 (d, J = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 3.13 (d, J = 19.1 Hz, 1H), 3.00 (dd, J = 13.7, 5.3 Hz, 1H), 2.90 (d, J = 13.7 Hz, 1H), 2.64 (dd, J = 9.9, 4.5 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ (ppm) 191.0, 144.2, 143.0, 142.1, 134.8, 132.2, 130.1, 129.6, 128.1, 127.8, 127.7, 127.5, 127.0, 126.7, 125.4, 110.6, 110.4, 43.3, 41.9, 41.6, 31.5, 31.1, 22.8. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{18}^{35}\text{ClN}_2\text{OS}$ 403.0672; Found 403.0677; Calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{18}^{37}\text{ClN}_2\text{OS}$ 405.0642; Found 405.0652.

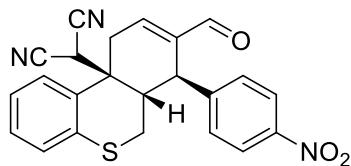


Synthesis of 5c: A mixture of (*E*)-2-(4-chlorobenzylidene)but-3-enal **1k** (23.1 mg, 0.120 mmol, 1.2 equiv), 2-(thiochroman-4-ylidene)malononitrile **4a** (21.2 mg, 0.100 mmol, 1.0 equiv), **C2** (4.72 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) and **A4** (3.34 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) in THF (0.2 mL) was stirred at room temperature for 12 h. After completion, purification by flash chromatography on silica gel (EtOAc/petroleum ether = 1/7) gave the product **5c**: 37.1 mg (0.0920 mmol), as a yellow solid, 92% yield; mp = 123–124 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +102.3$ (c = 1.8 in CHCl_3); >19:1 dr; 98% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 80/20, 1.0 mL min⁻¹, λ = 254 nm, t (minor) = 9.09 min, t (major) = 13.12 min]; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ (ppm) 9.19 (s, 1H), 7.32–7.22 (m, 5H), 7.15–7.10 (m, 3H), 6.98 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 4.35 (s, 1H), 3.66 (dd, J = 18.8, 6.5 Hz, 1H), 3.34 (d, J = 10.2 Hz, 1H), 3.11 (d, J = 18.7 Hz, 1H), 2.98 (dd, J = 13.7, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 2.88 (d, J = 12.7 Hz, 1H), 2.63 (dd, J = 9.9, 4.3 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ (ppm) 191.1, 144.1, 143.2, 138.5, 133.3, 132.2, 129.6, 129.5 (2C), 129.14, 129.12 127.7, 127.5, 127.0, 125.4, 110.6, 110.4, 43.3, 41.7, 41.6, 31.5, 31.1, 22.8. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M – H]⁺ Calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{16}^{35}\text{ClN}_2\text{OS}$ 403.0672; Found 403.0674; Calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{16}^{37}\text{ClN}_2\text{OS}$ 405.0642; Found 405.0640.

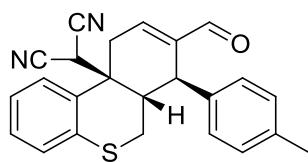


Synthesis of 5d: A mixture of (*E*)-2-(4-bromobenzylidene)but-3-enal **1c** (28.3 mg, 0.120 mmol, 1.2 equiv), 2-(thiochroman-4-ylidene)malononitrile **4a** (21.2 mg, 0.100 mmol, 1.0 equiv), **C2** (4.72 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) and **A4** (3.34 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) in THF (0.2 mL) was stirred at room temperature for 12 h. After completion, purification by flash chromatography on silica gel (EtOAc/petroleum ether = 1/7) gave the product **5d**: 38.5 mg (0.0860 mmol), as a yellow solid, 86% yield; mp = 127–128 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +107.2$ (c = 1.9 in CHCl_3); >19:1 dr; 96% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 80/20, 1.0 mL min⁻¹, λ = 254 nm, t (minor) = 9.59 min, t (major) = 14.44 min]; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ (ppm) 9.19 (s, 1H), 7.44 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.30–7.22 (m, 3H), 7.16–7.10 (m, 1H), 7.07 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 6.98 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 4.34 (s, 1H), 3.66 (dd, J = 18.8, 6.5 Hz, 1H), 3.33 (d, J = 10.3 Hz, 1H), 3.11 (d, J = 18.7 Hz,

1H), 2.98 (dd, J = 13.7, 5.3 Hz, 1H), 2.88 (d, J = 13.6 Hz, 1H), 2.62 (dd, J = 10.3, 4.3 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ (ppm) 191.1, 144.1, 143.1, 139.0, 132.2, 132.0 (2C), 129.9 (2C), 129.6, 127.7, 127.5, 127.0, 125.4, 121.4, 110.6, 110.4, 43.2, 41.7, 41.6, 31.5, 31.1, 22.8. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + Na]⁺ Calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{17}^{79}\text{BrN}_2\text{OSNa}$ 471.0143; Found 471.0141; Calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{17}^{81}\text{BrN}_2\text{OSNa}$ 473.0122; Found 473.0118.

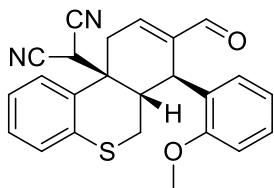


Synthesis of 5e: A mixture of (*E*)-2-(4-nitrobenzylidene)but-3-enal **1l** (24.4 mg, 0.120 mmol, 1.2 equiv), 2-(thiochroman-4-ylidene)malononitrile **4a** (21.2 mg, 0.100 mmol, 1.0 equiv), **C2** (4.72 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) and **A4** (3.34 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) in THF (0.2 mL) was stirred at room temperature for 12 h. After completion, purification by flash chromatography on silica gel (EtOAc/petroleum ether = 1/7) gave the product **5e**: 26.9 mg (0.0650 mmol), as a yellow solid, 65% yield; mp = 136–137 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +104.5$ (c = 1.5 in CHCl_3); >19:1 dr; 92% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Chiralpak IA, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 80/20, 1.0 mL min⁻¹, λ = 254 nm, t (minor) = 16.51 min, t (major) = 21.01 min]; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ (ppm) 9.22 (s, 1H), 8.20 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.39 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.34–7.25 (m, 3H), 7.19–7.13 (m, 1H), 7.09 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 4.35 (s, 1H), 3.73 (dd, J = 19.0, 6.5 Hz, 1H), 3.50 (d, J = 10.4 Hz, 1H), 3.17 (d, J = 18.7 Hz, 1H), 3.02 (dd, J = 13.9, 5.3 Hz, 1H), 2.79 (d, J = 13.8 Hz, 1H), 2.67 (dd, J = 10.3, 4.2 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ (ppm) 191.0, 147.9, 147.3, 145.5, 142.6, 132.0, 129.8, 129.1 (2C), 127.7, 127.6, 126.8, 125.6, 124.1 (2C), 110.5, 110.3, 43.2, 42.0, 41.3, 31.6, 31.2, 22.7. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M – H]⁺ Calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{16}\text{N}_3\text{O}_3\text{S}$ 414.0912; Found 414.0916.

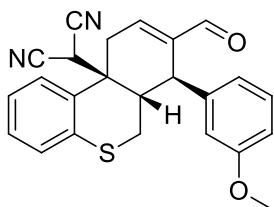


Synthesis of 5f: A mixture of (*E*)-2-(4-methylbenzylidene)but-3-enal **1d** (20.6 mg, 0.120 mmol, 1.2 equiv), 2-(thiochroman-4-ylidene)malononitrile **4a** (21.2 mg, 0.100 mmol, 1.0 equiv), **C2** (4.72 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) and **A4** (3.34 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) in THF (0.2 mL) was stirred at room temperature for 12 h. After completion, purification by flash chromatography on silica gel (EtOAc/petroleum ether = 1/7) gave the product **5f**: 34.1 mg (0.0890 mmol), as a yellow solid, 89% yield; mp = 130–131 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +89.2$ (c = 1.7 in CHCl_3); >19:1 dr; 99% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 80/20, 1.0 mL min⁻¹, λ = 254 nm, t (minor) = 8.83 min, t (major) = 10.13 min]; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ (ppm) 9.17 (s, 1H), 7.30–7.22 (m, 3H), 7.15–7.09 (m, 3H), 7.08–7.04 (m, 2H), 6.94 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 4.36 (s, 1H), 3.65 (dd, J = 18.5, 6.3 Hz, 1H), 3.32 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 3.12 (d, J = 19.3 Hz, 1H), 2.96 (d, J = 3.7 Hz, 2H), 2.66 (dt, J = 10.6, 3.7 Hz, 1H), 2.31 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ (ppm) 191.4, 143.6, 143.1, 137.2, 136.8, 132.4, 129.6 (2C), 129.4, 128.1 (2C), 127.68, 127.62, 127.3, 125.2, 110.8, 110.6, 43.3, 41.9

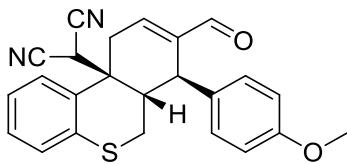
(2C), 31.5, 31.0, 22.9, 21.1. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + Na]⁺ Calcd for C₂₄H₂₀N₂OSNa 407.1194; Found 407.1190.



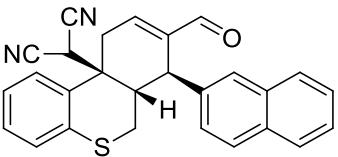
Synthesis of 5g: A mixture of (*E*)-2-(2-methoxybenzylidene)but-3-enal **1m** (22.5 mg, 0.120 mmol, 1.2 equiv), 2-(thiochroman-4-ylidene)malononitrile **4a** (21.2 mg, 0.100 mmol, 1.0 equiv), **C2** (4.72 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) and **A4** (3.34 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) in THF (0.2 mL) was stirred at room temperature for 12 h. After completion, purification by flash chromatography on silica gel (EtOAc/petroleum ether = 1/7) gave the product **5g**: 28.0 mg (0.0700 mmol), as a yellow solid, 70% yield; mp = 127–128 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +78.0$ (c = 1.4 in CHCl₃); >19:1 dr; 98% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Chiralpak IA, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 80/20, 1.0 mL min⁻¹, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (minor) = 17.20 min, t (major) = 24.69 min]; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 9.17 (s, 1H), 7.34–7.18 (m, 5H), 7.18–7.05 (m, 1H), 6.99–6.77 (m, 3H), 4.45 (br, 1H), 4.10–3.75 (m, 4H), 3.63 (dd, *J* = 18.4, 6.6 Hz, 1H), 3.30 (br, 1H), 3.14–3.04 (m, 1H), 3.01–2.86 (m, 2H), 3.30 (br, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 191.4, 142.7, 132.7, 129.3, 128.7, 127.7, 127.6, 127.4, 125.1, 121.0, 111.3, 110.9, 110.7, 55.5, 43.5, 31.4, 23.4. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + Na]⁺ Calcd for C₂₄H₂₀N₂O₂NSNa 423.1143; Found 423.1137.



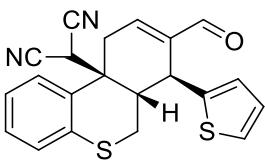
Synthesis of 5h: A mixture of (*E*)-2-(3-methoxybenzylidene)but-3-enal **1e** (22.6 mg, 0.120 mmol, 1.2 equiv), 2-(thiochroman-4-ylidene)malononitrile **4a** (21.2 mg, 0.100 mmol, 1.0 equiv), **C2** (4.72 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) and **A4** (3.34 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) in THF (0.2 mL) was stirred at room temperature for 12 h. After completion, purification by flash chromatography on silica gel (EtOAc/petroleum ether = 1/7) gave the product **5h**: 36.0 mg (0.0900 mmol), as a yellow solid, 90% yield; mp = 124–125 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +108.7$ (c = 1.8 in CHCl₃); >19:1 dr; 97% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 80/20, 1.0 mL min⁻¹, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (minor) = 11.14 min, t (major) = 16.20 min]; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 9.19 (s, 1H), 7.30–7.20 (m, 4H), 7.15–7.05 (m, 1H), 6.96 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 6.81–6.75 (m, 2H), 6.71 (s, 1H), 4.35 (s, 1H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.64 (dd, *J* = 18.8, 6.5 Hz, 1H), 3.31 (d, *J* = 11.5 Hz, 1H), 3.10 (d, *J* = 18.6 Hz, 1H), 2.71–2.62 (m, 2H), 2.68 (dt, *J* = 10.7, 3.6 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 191.2, 159.9, 143.4, 143.1, 141.5, 132.4, 129.9, 129.5, 127.7, 127.6, 127.2, 125.3, 120.7, 114.5, 112.2, 110.7, 110.5, 55.2, 43.3, 42.2, 41.7, 31.5, 31.1, 22.9. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + Na]⁺ Calcd for C₂₄H₂₀N₂O₂NSNa 423.1143; Found 423.1136.



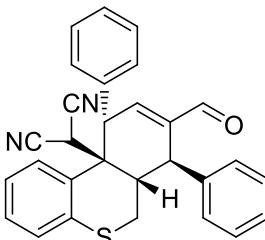
Synthesis of 5i: A mixture of (*E*)-2-(4-methoxybenzylidene)but-3-enal **1f** (22.6 mg, 0.120 mmol, 1.2 equiv), 2-(thiochroman-4-ylidene)malononitrile **4a** (21.2 mg, 0.100 mmol, 1.0 equiv), **C2** (4.72 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) and **A4** (3.34 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) in THF (0.2 mL) was stirred at room temperature for 12 h. After completion, purification by flash chromatography on silica gel (EtOAc/petroleum ether = 1/7) gave the product **5i**: 36.0 mg (0.0900 mmol), as a yellow solid, 90% yield; mp = 118–119 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +121.4$ ($c = 1.8$ in CHCl₃); >19:1 dr; 96% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 80/20, 1.0 mL min⁻¹, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (minor) = 13.16 min, t (major) = 16.70 min]; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 9.17 (s, 1H), 7.29–7.22 (m, 3H), 7.14–7.06 (m, 3H), 6.93 (d, $J = 6.7$ Hz, 1H), 6.84 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 4.36 (s, 1H), 3.78 (s, 3H), 3.64 (dd, $J = 18.7, 6.5$ Hz, 1H), 3.30 (d, $J = 10.3$ Hz, 1H), 3.10 (d, $J = 18.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.96 (d, $J = 3.8$ Hz, 2H), 2.65 (dt, $J = 10.6, 3.7$ Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 191.4, 158.8, 143.6, 142.9, 132.4, 131.7, 129.4, 129.3 (2C), 127.6, 127.6, 127.3, 125.3, 114.3 (2C), 110.8, 110.6, 55.2, 43.3, 42.0, 41.5, 31.5, 31.1, 22.8. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + Na]⁺ Calcd for C₂₄H₂₀N₂O₂SnNa 423.1143; Found 423.1142.



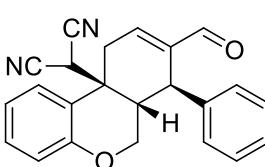
Synthesis of 5j: A mixture of (*E*)-2-(naphthalen-2-ylmethylene)but-3-enal **1g** (25.0 mg, 0.120 mmol, 1.2 equiv), 2-(thiochroman-4-ylidene)malononitrile **4a** (21.2 mg, 0.100 mmol, 1.0 equiv), **C2** (4.72 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) and **A4** (3.34 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) in THF (0.2 mL) was stirred at room temperature for 12 h. After completion, purification by flash chromatography on silica gel (EtOAc/petroleum ether = 1/7) gave the product **5j**: 31.9 mg (0.0760 mmol), as a yellow solid, 76% yield; mp = 129–130 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +112.9$ ($c = 1.6$ in CHCl₃); >19:1 dr; 98% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Chiralpak IA, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 80/20, 1.0 mL min⁻¹, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (minor) = 9.43 min, t (major) = 14.68 min]; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 9.19 (s, 1H), 7.83–7.77 (m, 3H), 7.67 (s, 1H), 7.51–7.42 (m, 2H), 7.32–7.25 (m, 4H), 7.16–7.10 (m, 1H), 7.00 (d, $J = 6.3$ Hz, 1H), 4.37 (s, 1H), 3.68 (dd, $J = 18.8, 6.5$ Hz, 1H), 3.52 (d, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.17 (d, $J = 18.5$ Hz, 1H), 3.00–2.90 (m, 2H), 2.81–2.75 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 191.2, 143.4, 137.2, 133.4, 132.7, 132.4, 129.5, 128.8, 127.78 (2C), 127.74 (2C), 127.6, 127.4, 127.3, 126.4, 126.0, 125.8, 125.3, 110.7, 110.6, 43.4, 42.4, 41.7, 31.6, 31.1, 22.9. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + Na]⁺ Calcd for C₂₇H₂₀N₂OSNa 443.1194; Found 443.1185.



Synthesis of 5k: A mixture of (*E*)-2-(thiophen-2-ylmethylene)but-3-enal **1h** (19.7 mg, 0.120 mmol, 1.2 equiv), 2-(thiochroman-4-ylidene)malononitrile **4a** (21.2 mg, 0.100 mmol, 1.0 equiv), **C2** (4.72 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) and **A4** (3.34 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) in THF (0.2 mL) was stirred at room temperature for 12 h. After completion, purification by flash chromatography on silica gel (EtOAc/petroleum ether = 1/7) gave the product **5k**: 35.7 mg (0.0950 mmol), as a yellow solid, 95% yield; mp = 122–123 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +93.4$ ($c = 1.7$ in CHCl₃); >19:1 dr; 99% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 80/20, 1.0 mL min⁻¹, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (minor) = 9.50 min, t (major) = 11.51 min]; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 9.22 (s, 1H), 7.28–7.22 (m, 3H), 7.20 (d, $J = 4.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.15–7.08 (m, 1H), 7.00–6.97 (m, 1H), 6.96–6.93 (m, 1H), 6.91 (d, $J = 6.4$ Hz, 1H), 4.38 (s, 1H), 3.71 (d, $J = 8.9$ Hz, 1H), 3.63 (dd, $J = 18.8, 6.5$ Hz, 1H), 3.15–3.00 (m, 3H), 2.28–2.72 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 190.9, 142.8, 142.4, 142.3, 132.3, 129.6, 127.7, 127.6, 127.15, 127.10, 126.9, 125.3, 124.8, 110.6, 110.4, 43.4, 42.6, 37.6, 31.4, 31.1, 23.1. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + Na]⁺ Calcd for C₂₁H₁₆N₂OS₂Na 399.0602; Found 399.0600.



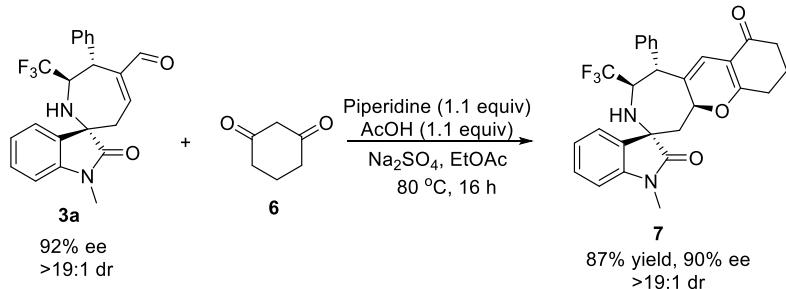
Synthesis of 5l: A mixture of (*2E,3E*)-2-benzylidene-4-phenylbut-3-enal **1i** (28.1 mg, 0.120 mmol, 1.2 equiv), 2-(thiochroman-4-ylidene)malononitrile **4a** (21.2 mg, 0.100 mmol, 1.0 equiv), **C2** (4.72 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) and **A4** (3.34 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) in THF (0.2 mL) was stirred at room temperature for 12 h. After completion, purification by flash chromatography on silica gel (EtOAc/petroleum ether = 1/7) gave the product **5l**: 31.2 mg (0.0700 mmol), as a yellow solid, 70% yield; mp = 128–129 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +98.2$ ($c = 1.5$ in CHCl₃); >19:1 dr; 55% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 80/20, 1.0 mL min⁻¹, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (minor) = 9.47 min, t (major) = 21.67 min]; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 9.27 (s, 1H), 7.82 (br, 2H), 7.64–7.54 (m, 4H), 7.44–7.32 (m, 5H), 7.30–7.28 (m, 2H), 7.23–7.17 (m, 1H), 6.97 (d, $J = 3.7$ Hz, 1H), 5.09 (d, $J = 5.9$ Hz, 1H), 4.41 (s, 1H), 3.37 (d, $J = 10.9$ Hz, 1H), 3.07 (dd, $J = 11.0, 4.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.98 (d, $J = 13.7$ Hz, 1H), 2.84 (dd, $J = 13.7, 5.4$ Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 191.5, 146.2, 142.4, 139.5, 134.2, 132.6, 131.8 (2C), 130.2, 129.7 (2C), 129.2, 129.1 (2C), 128.3 (2C), 127.9, 127.7, 127.1, 125.4, 111.4, 108.6, 46.8, 45.3, 42.4, 35.3, 28.6, 22.8. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + Na]⁺ Calcd for C₂₉H₂₂N₂OSNa 469.1351; Found 469.1331.



Synthesis of 5m: A mixture of (*E*)-2-benzylidenebut-3-enal **1a** (19.0 mg, 0.120 mmol, 1.2 equiv), 2-(chroman-4-ylidene)malononitrile **4b** (21.2 mg, 0.100 mmol, 1.0 equiv), **C2** (4.72 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) and **A4** (3.34

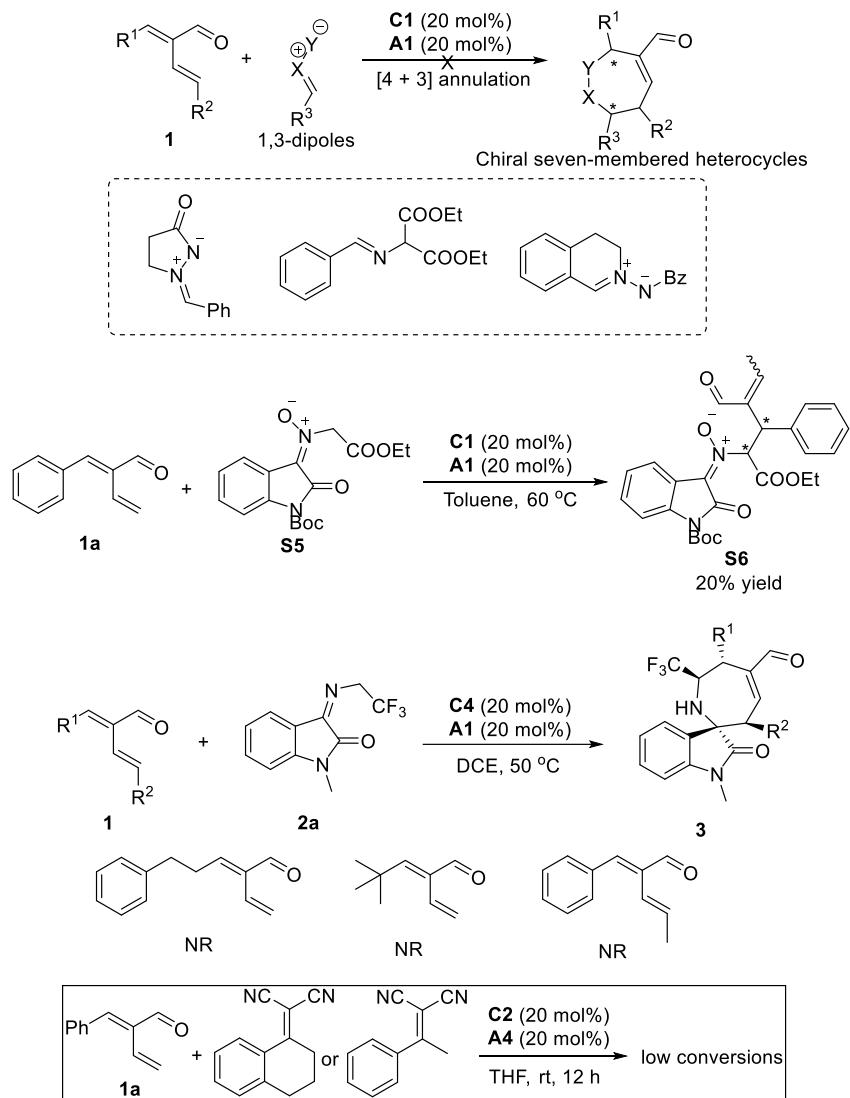
mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.2 equiv) in THF (0.2 mL) was stirred at room temperature for 12 h. After completion, purification by flash chromatography on silica gel (EtOAc/petroleum ether = 1/7) gave the product **5m**: 17.0 mg (0.0480 mmol), as a yellow solid, 48% yield; mp = 119–120 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +100.3$ ($c = 0.8$ in CHCl₃); >19:1 dr; 93% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Chiralpak IA, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 80/20, 1.0 mL min⁻¹, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (minor) = 9.16 min, t (major) = 9.91 min]; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 9.21 (s, 1H), 7.37–7.33 (m, 2H), 7.32–7.29 (m, 2H), 7.28–7.25 (m, 2H), 7.22 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 6.99–6.93 (m, 2H), 6.91 (d, $J = 5.4$ Hz, 1H), 4.31 (d, $J = 12.6$ Hz, 1H), 4.24–4.13 (m, 2H), 3.65–3.55 (m, 2H), 3.14 (d, $J = 18.7$ Hz, 1H), 2.49 (d, $J = 9.5$ Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 191.3, 153.2, 143.0, 142.7, 140.6, 131.0, 128.9 (2C), 128.4 (2C), 127.3, 126.2, 121.4, 118.1, 117.7, 110.6, 110.4, 61.9, 41.4, 40.6, 40.4, 35.2, 30.4. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + Na]⁺ Calcd for C₂₃H₁₈N₂O₂Na 377.1266; Found 377.1268.

5. Transformation of product **3a**



Synthesis of 7: To a solution of **3a** (40.0 mg, 0.100 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in EtOAc (1.0 mL) was added cyclohexane-1,3-dione **6** (16.8 mg, 0.150 mmol, 1.5 equiv), piperidine (9.36 mg, 0.110 mmol, 1.1 equiv), AcOH (6.60 mg, 0.110 mmol, 1.1 equiv) and Na₂SO₄ (4.26 mg, 0.030 mmol, 0.3 equiv). The mixture was stirred at 80 °C for 16 h. After completion, it was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (EtOAc/petroleum ether = 1/7) to give the product **7**: 42.9 mg (0.0870 mmol), as a white semisolid, 87% yield; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +288.2$ ($c = 2.0$ in CHCl₃); >19:1 dr; 90% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 80/20, 1.0 mL min⁻¹, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (minor) = 6.15 min, t (major) = 8.07 min]; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CHCl₃) δ (ppm) 7.55–7.49 (m, 2H), 7.40–7.30 (m, 3H), 7.29–7.21 (m, 2H), 7.10 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 6.88 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 6.60 (s, 1H), 5.90 (dd, $J = 10.8, 3.2$ Hz, 1H), 5.35–5.20 (m, 1H), 3.96 (d, $J = 10.3$ Hz, 1H), 3.26 (s, 3H), 2.51 (dd, $J = 13.3, 10.8$ Hz, 1H), 2.38 (t, $J = 6.4$ Hz, 2H), 2.28 (t, $J = 5.7$ Hz, 2H), 2.05 (dd, $J = 13.3, 3.2$ Hz, 1H), 1.98–1.80 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 194.9, 176.3, 170.1, 142.2, 140.7, 132.0, 131.1, 129.4, 129.1 (2C), 127.1, 126.8 (2C), 125.9 (q, $^1J_{C-F} = 280.0$ Hz), 123.3, 122.6, 115.7, 111.9, 108.7, 71.8, 59.4, 53.8 (q, $^2J_{C-F} = 26.9$ Hz), 51.9, 43.0, 36.3, 27.9, 26.1, 20.5; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) –74.2; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + H]⁺ Calcd for C₂₈H₂₆F₃N₂O₃ 495.1896; Found 495.1892.

6. More screening studies on other 1,3-dipoles, α -vinylenals and α,α -dicyanoalkenes



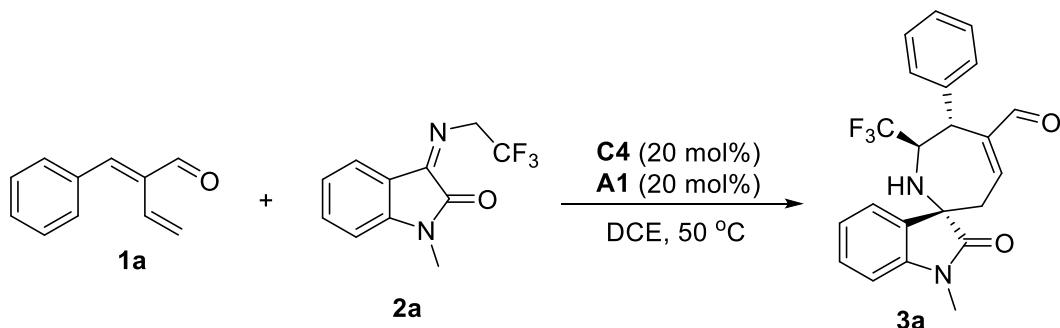
To further expand the utility of this strategy, more 1,3-dipoles were explored in the reactions with α -vinylenals **1** under similar catalytic conditions. Unfortunately, the 1,3-dipoles outlined in the above scheme did not react with α -vinylenal **1a** and failed to give the desired [4+3] cycloadducts. Isatin-derived nitrone **S5** could react with α -vinylenal **1a** to give Michael addition product **S6** in a low yield under similar catalytic conditions.

On the other hand, the desired annulation products were not formed by using α -vinylenals **1** having a γ' -alkyl or β -alkyl group.

In addition, the α,α -dicyanoalkenes from other ketones, as outlined in the above scheme, also showed low reactivity with enal **1a**.

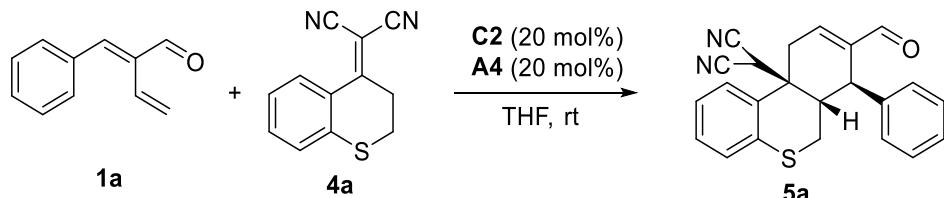
7. Asymmetric reaction on a 1.0 mmol scale

7.1 β,γ' -Regioselective [4+3] annulation of α -vinylenal **1a** with *N*-(2,2,2-trifluoroethyl) ketimine **2a**



A mixture of (*E*)-2-benzylidenebut-3-enal **1a** (189.6 mg, 1.20 mmol, 1.2 equiv), (*Z*)-1-methyl-3-((2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)imino)indolin-2-one **2a** (242 mg, 1.00 mmol, 1.0 equiv), **C4** (91 mg, 0.200 mmol, 0.2 equiv) and **A1** (24 mg, 0.200 mmol, 0.2 equiv) in DCE (2 mL) was stirred at 50 °C for 12 h, and the reaction was monitored by TLC. After completion, purification by flash chromatography on silica gel (EtOAc/petroleum ether = 1/7) gave the product **3a**: 280.0 mg (0.700 mmol), as a white solid, 70% yield; >19:1 dr; 90% ee.

7.2 β,γ' -Regioselective [4+2] annulation of α -vinylenal **1a** with 2-(thiochroman-4-ylidene)malononitrile **4a**



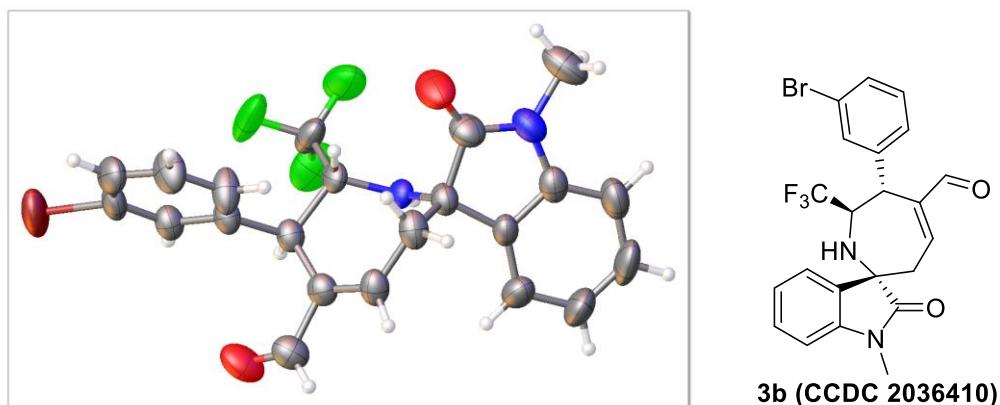
A mixture of (*E*)-2-benzylidenebut-3-enal **1a** (189.6 mg, 1.20 mmol, 1.2 equiv), 2-(thiochroman-4-ylidene)malononitrile **4a** (212 mg, 1.00 mmol, 1.0 equiv), **C2** (47.2 mg, 0.200 mmol, 0.2 equiv) and **A4** (33.4 mg, 0.200 mmol, 0.2 equiv) in THF (2 mL) was stirred at room temperature for 12 h, and the reaction was monitored by TLC. After completion, purification by flash chromatography on silica gel (EtOAc/petroleum ether = 1/7) gave the product **5a**: 321.9 mg (0.870 mmol), as a yellow solid, 87% yield; >19:1 dr; 97% ee.

8. Crystal data and structural refinement

8.1 Crystal data and structural refinement for enantiopure **3b**

Preparation of the single crystals of enantiopure **3b**: 30.0 mg of compound **3b** (87% ee) was dissolved in CHCl₃ (1.0 mL) in a 10 mL tube, and *n*-hexane (3.0 mL) was added. The tube was sealed by a piece of weighing paper with several tiny holes, thus allowing slow evaporation of the solvents at room temperature. After 4 days, several small particles could be observed at the bottom of the tube.

The crystals were chosen and subjected to the single crystal X-ray diffraction analysis for the determination of the absolute configuration of **3b**. The data were collected by an Agilent Gemini equipped with a Cu radiation source ($\text{K}\alpha = 1.54184 \text{ \AA}$) at 293.9(3) K. CCDC 2036410 (**3b**) contains the supplementary crystallographic data for this paper. These data can be obtained free of charge via www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/data_request/cif.



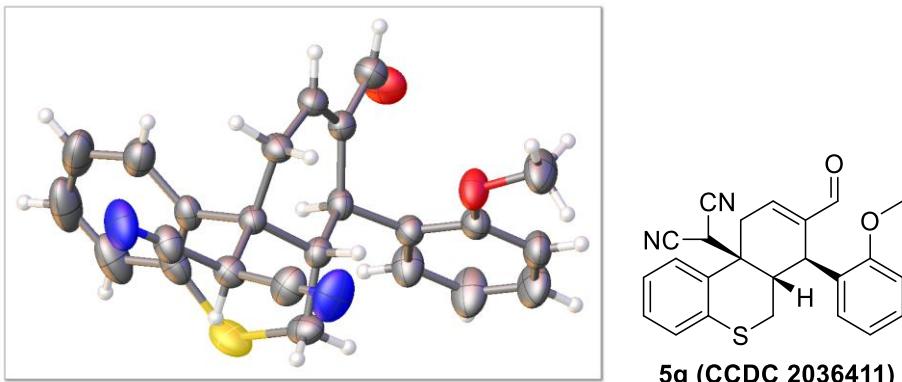
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Formula weight	479.29
Temperature/K	293.9(3)
Crystal system	orthorhombic
Space group	$\text{P}2_1\text{2}_1\text{2}_1$
a/ \AA	6.2936(3)
b/ \AA	14.1248(7)
c/ \AA	23.2960(9)
$\alpha/^\circ$	90
$\beta/^\circ$	90
$\gamma/^\circ$	90
Volume/ \AA^3	2070.91(17)
Z	4
$\rho_{\text{calcd}}/\text{cm}^3$	1.537
μ/mm^{-1}	3.136
F(000)	968.0
Crystal size/ mm^3	0.5 \times 0.3 \times 0.3
Radiation	$\text{CuK}\alpha (\lambda = 1.54184)$
2 Θ range for data collection/ $^\circ$	7.32 to 142.742
Index ranges	-7 \leq h \leq 3, -15 \leq k \leq 17, -22 \leq l \leq 28
Reflections collected	9369
Independent reflections	3888 [$R_{\text{int}} = 0.0434$, $R_{\text{sigma}} = 0.0437$]
Data/restraints/parameters	3888/0/272
Goodness-of-fit on F^2	1.056

Final R indexes [I>=2σ (I)]	R ₁ = 0.0634, wR ₂ = 0.1675
Final R indexes [all data]	R ₁ = 0.0674, wR ₂ = 0.1749
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å ⁻³	0.58/-0.52
Flack parameter	0.001(18)

8.2 Crystal data and structural refinement for enantiopure **5g**

Preparation of the single crystals of enantiopure **5g**: 30.0 mg of compound **5g** (93% ee) was dissolved in THF (1.0 mL) in a 10 mL tube and *n*-hexane (3.0 mL) was added. The tube was sealed by a piece of weighing paper with several tiny holes, thus allowing slow evaporation of the solvents at room temperature. After 24 h, several small particles could be observed at the bottom of the tube. The crystals were chosen and subjected to the single crystal X-ray diffraction analysis for the determination of the absolute configuration of **5g**. The data were collected by an Agilent Gemini equipped with a Cu radiation source (K α = 1.54184 Å) at 295.1(4) K. CCDC 2036411 (**5g**) contains the supplementary crystallographic data for this paper. These data can be obtained free of charge via www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/data_request/cif.

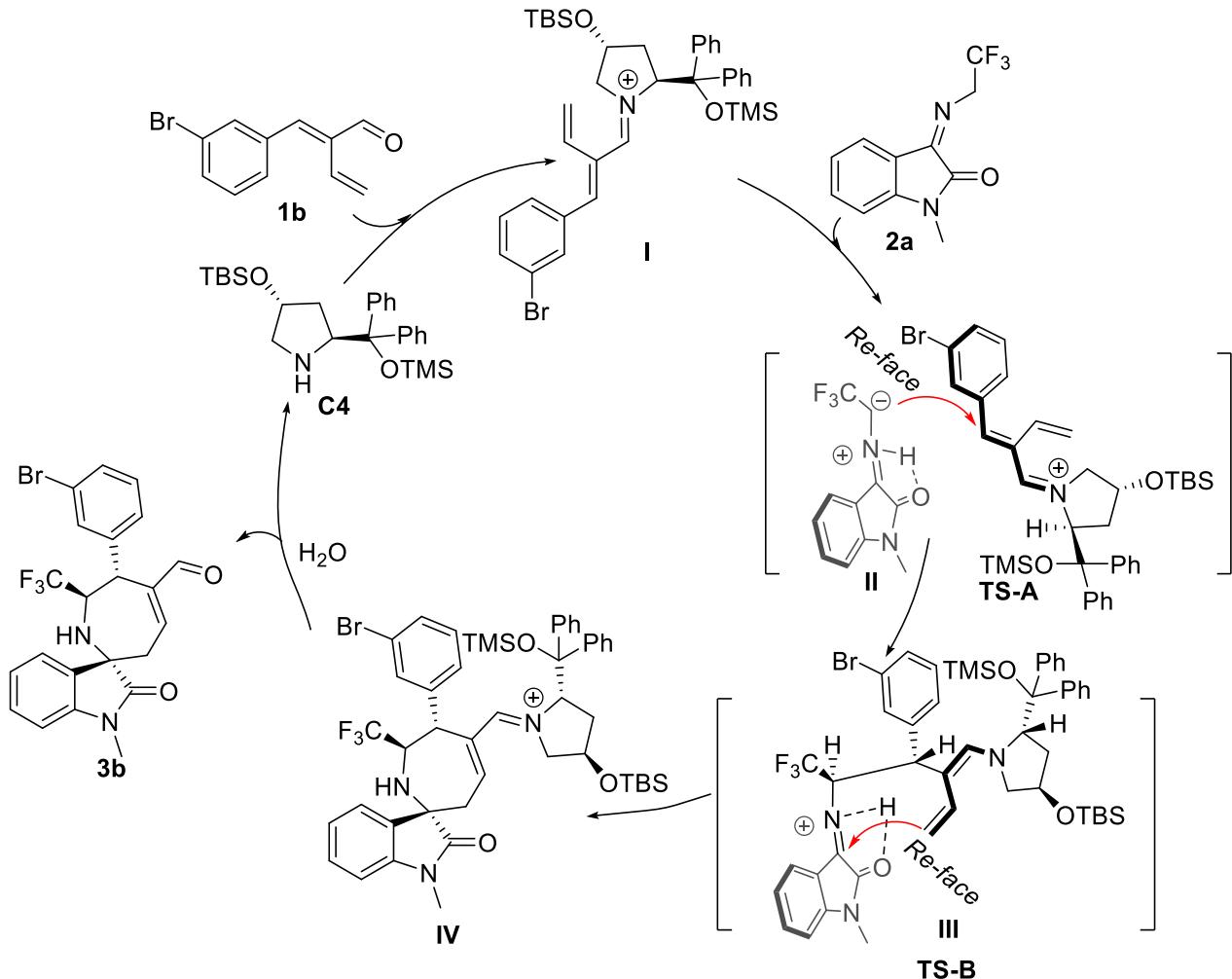


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Crystal system	monoclinic
Space group	P2 ₁
a/Å	8.1897(3)
b/Å	12.2546(5)
c/Å	10.5538(4)
α/°	90
β/°	90.193(3)
γ/°	90
Volume/Å ³	1059.19(7)
Z	2
ρ _{calc} g/cm ³	1.256

μ/mm^{-1}	1.528
F(000)	420.0
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Goodness-of-fit on F^2	1.033
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Final R indexes [all data]	$R_1 = 0.0531, wR_2 = 0.1319$
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9. Proposed catalytic cycle via cascade iminium ion-dienamine catalysis



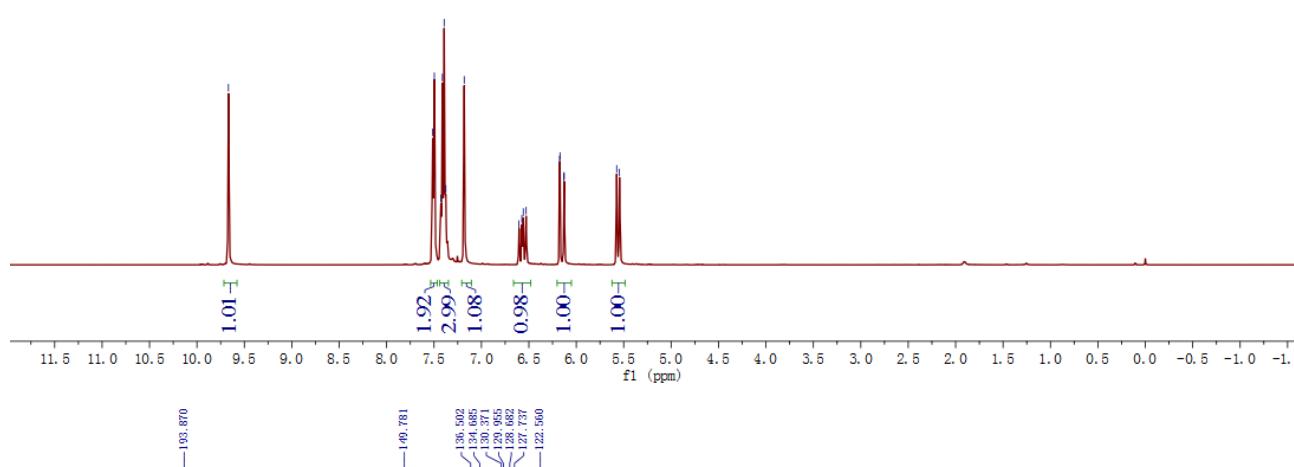
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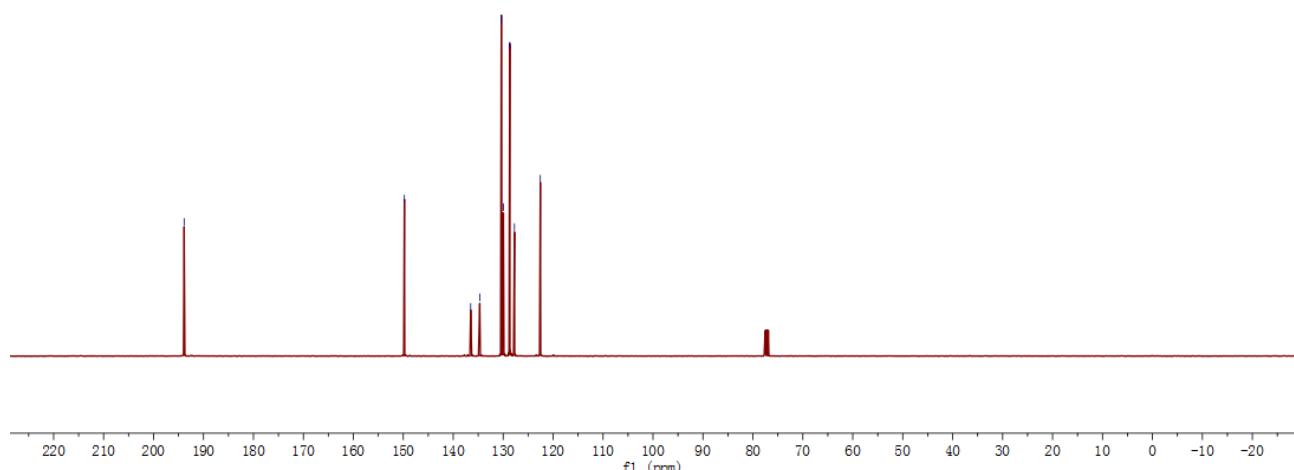
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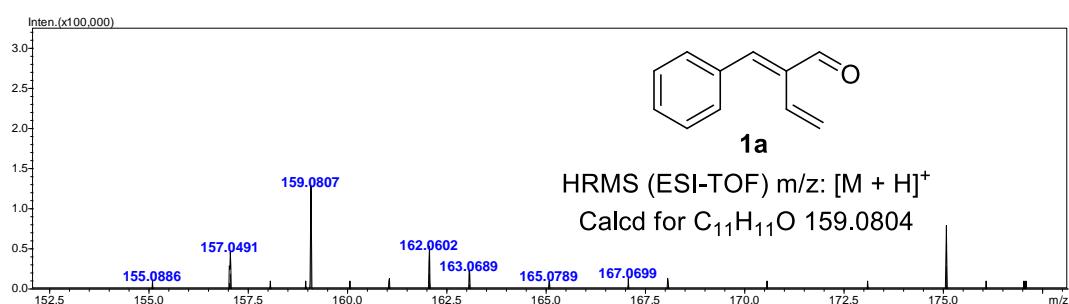
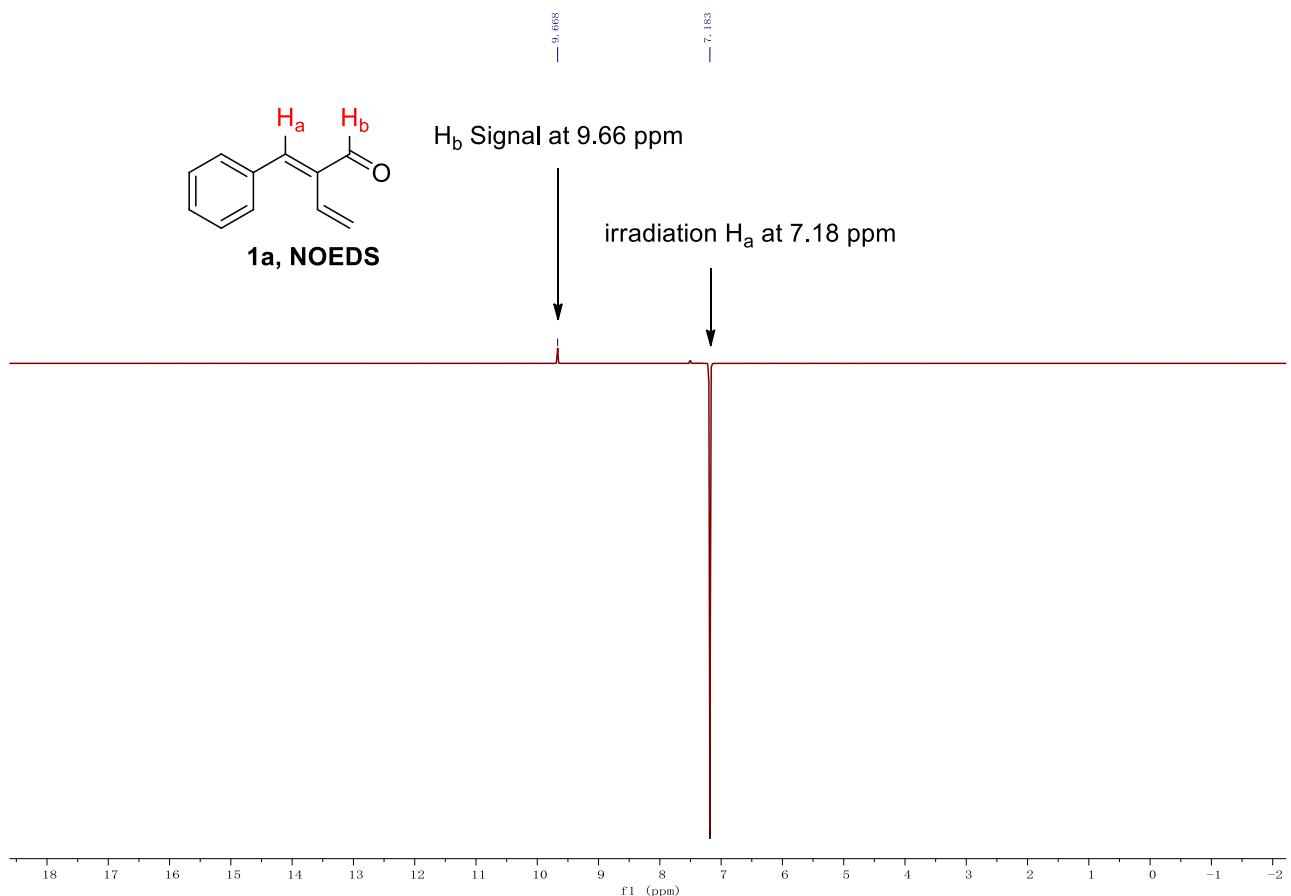


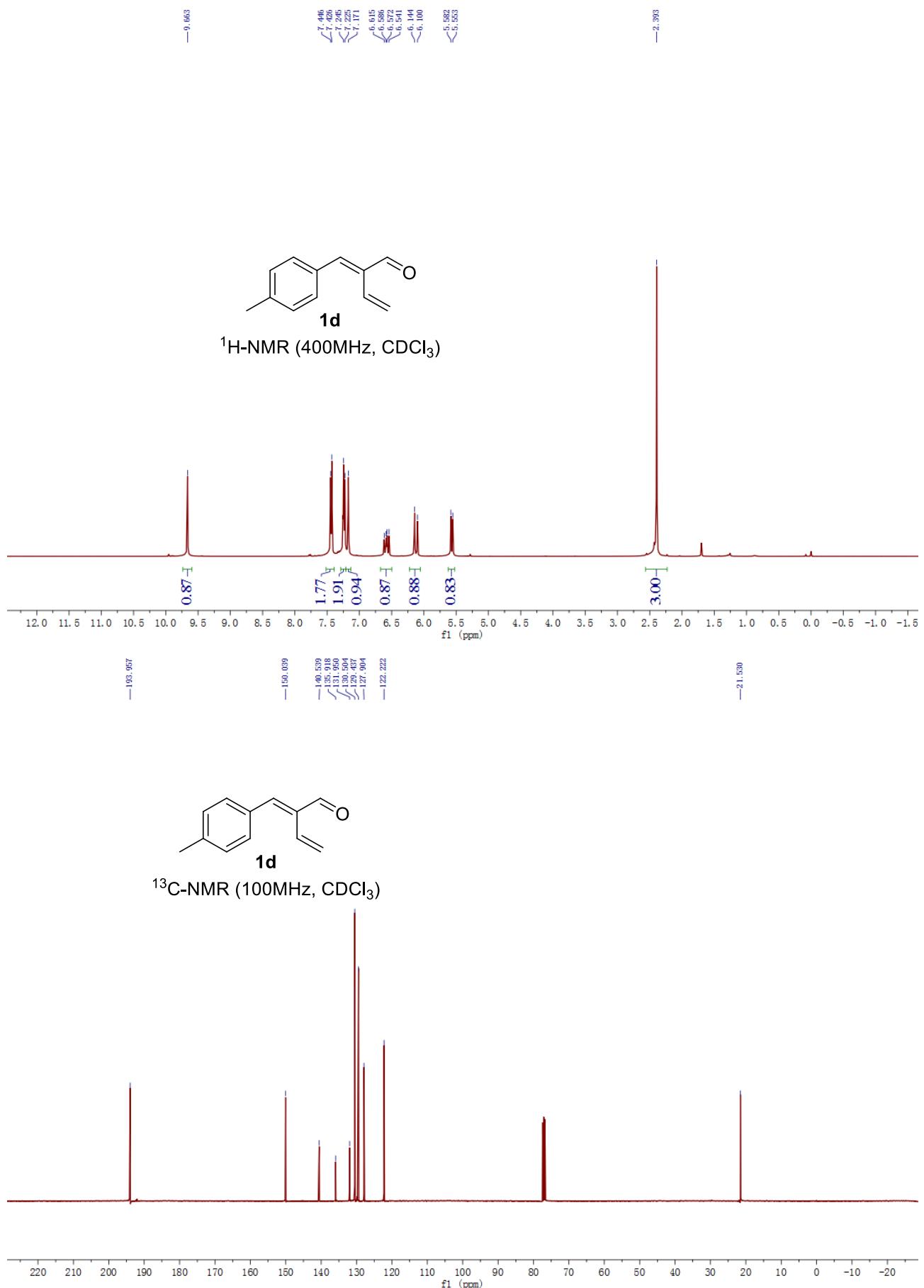
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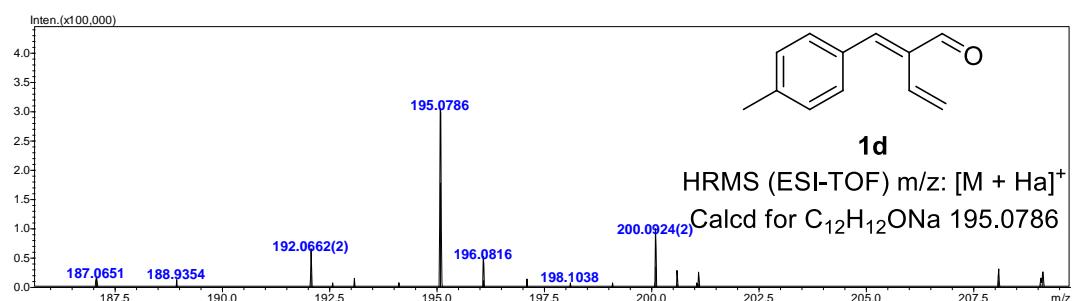


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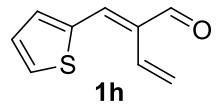




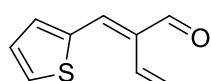
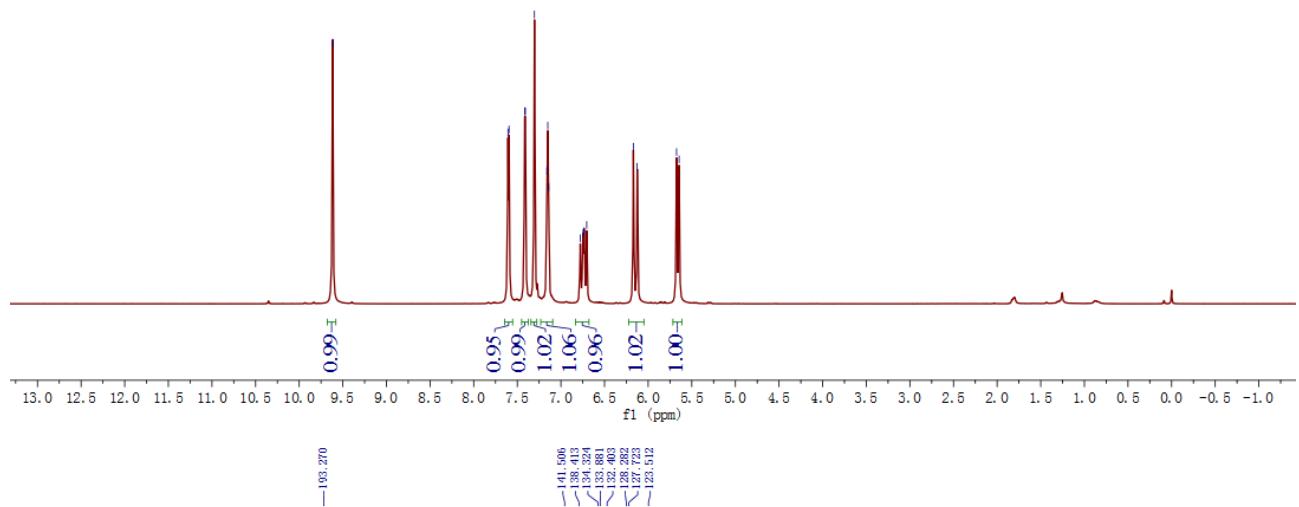




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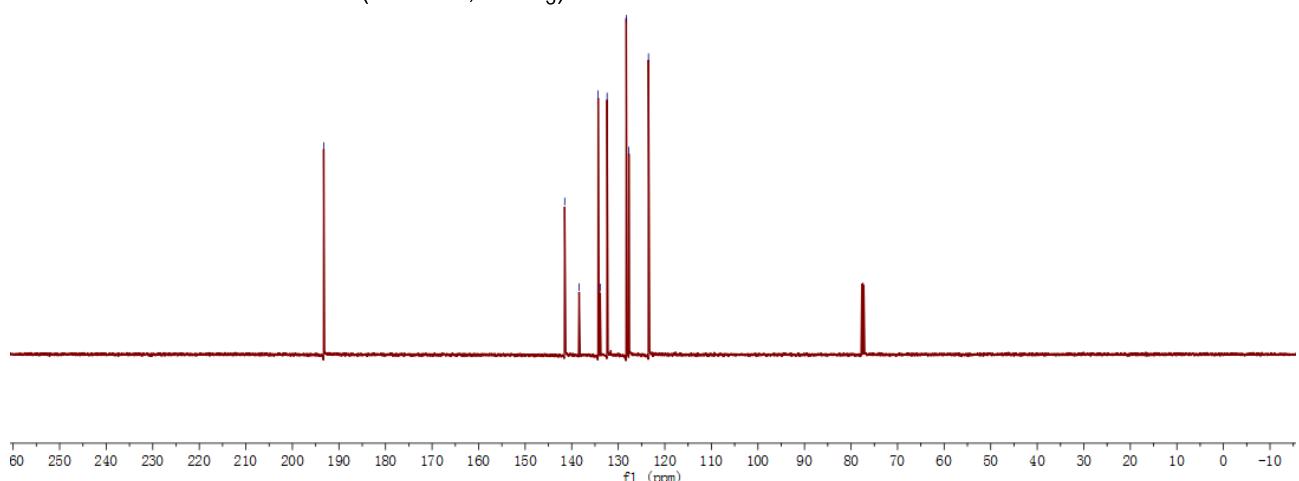


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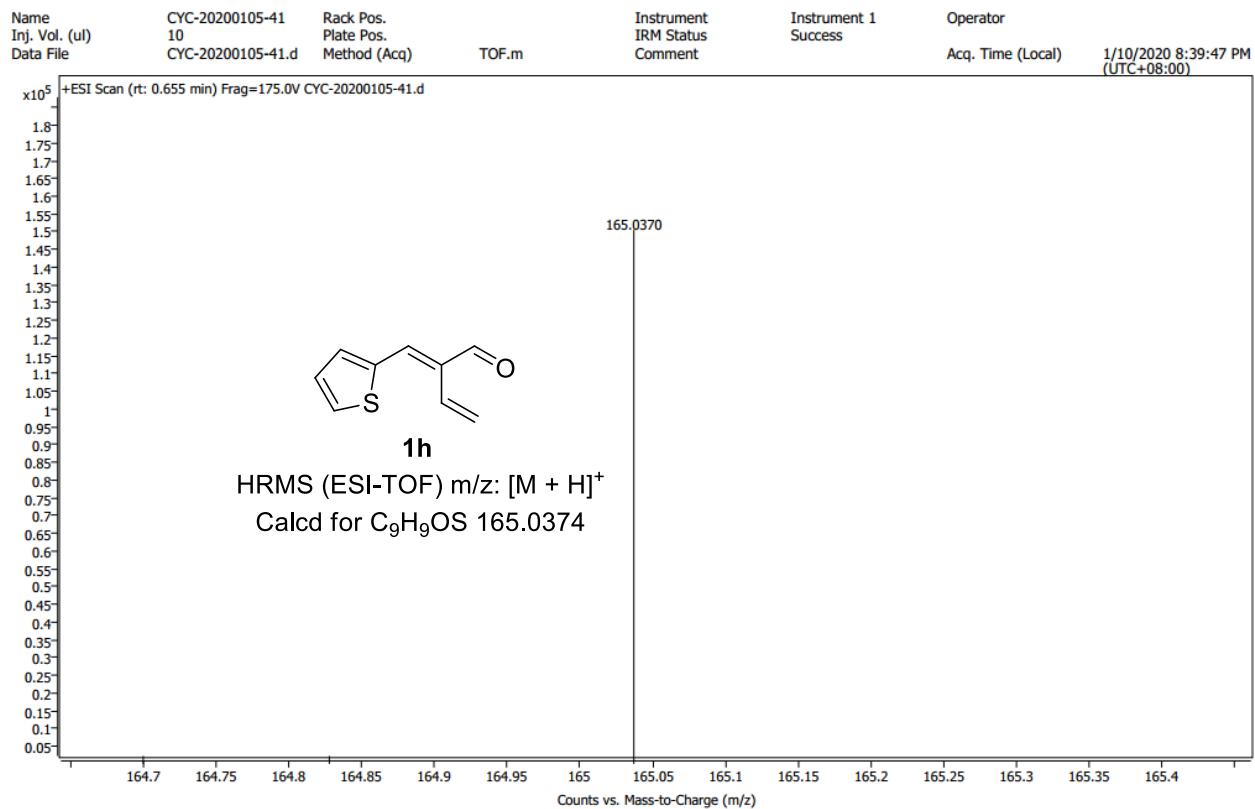
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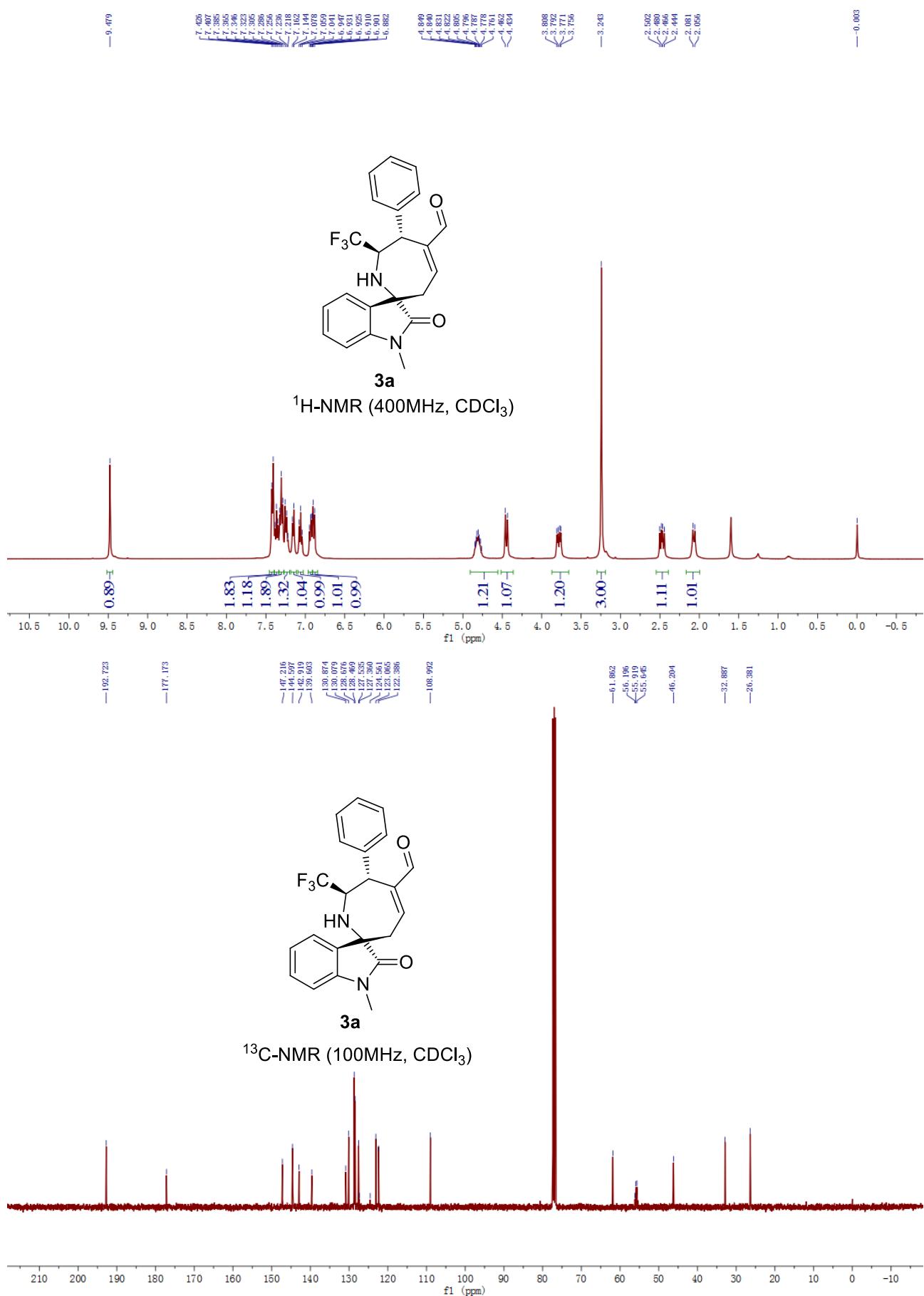
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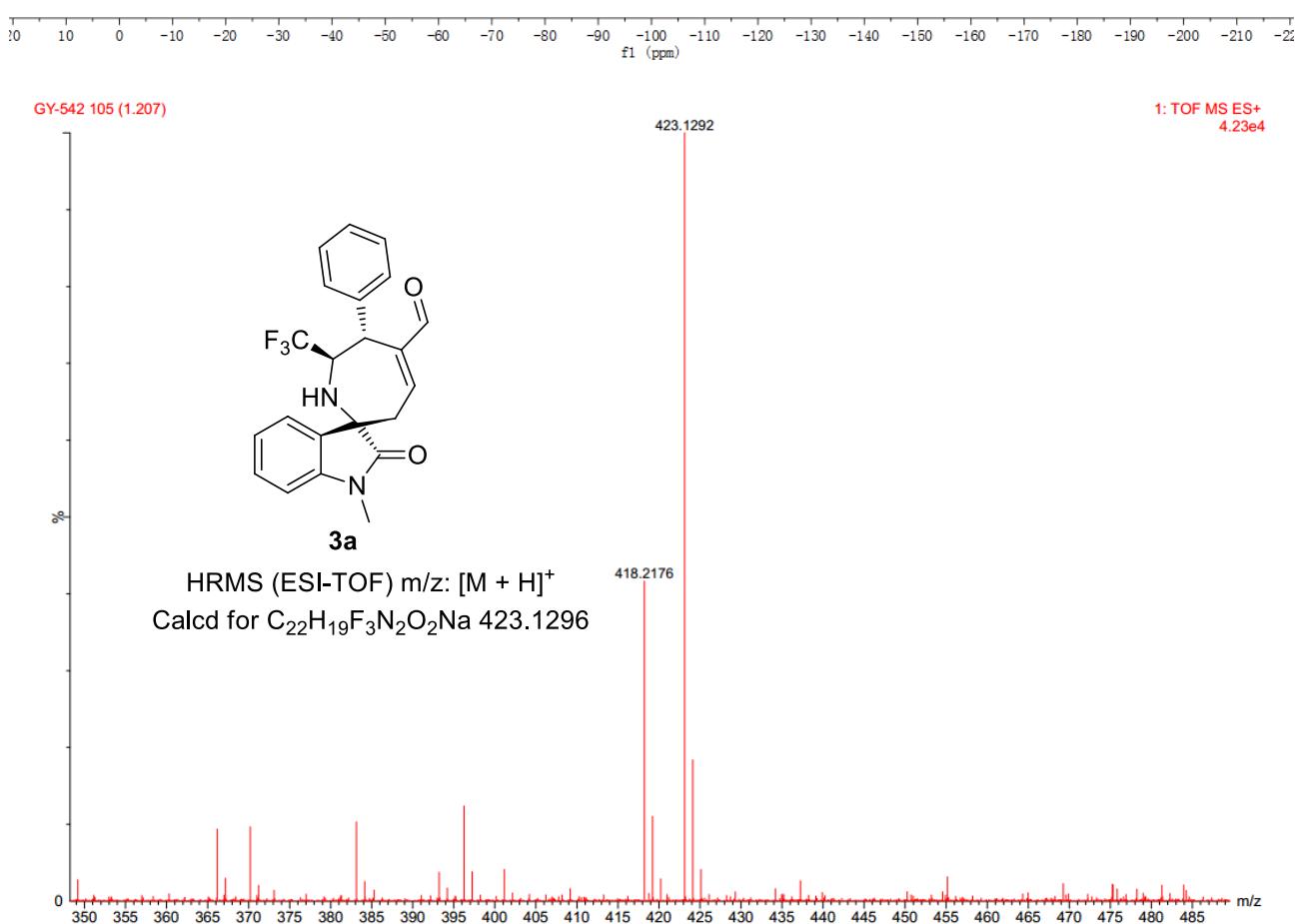
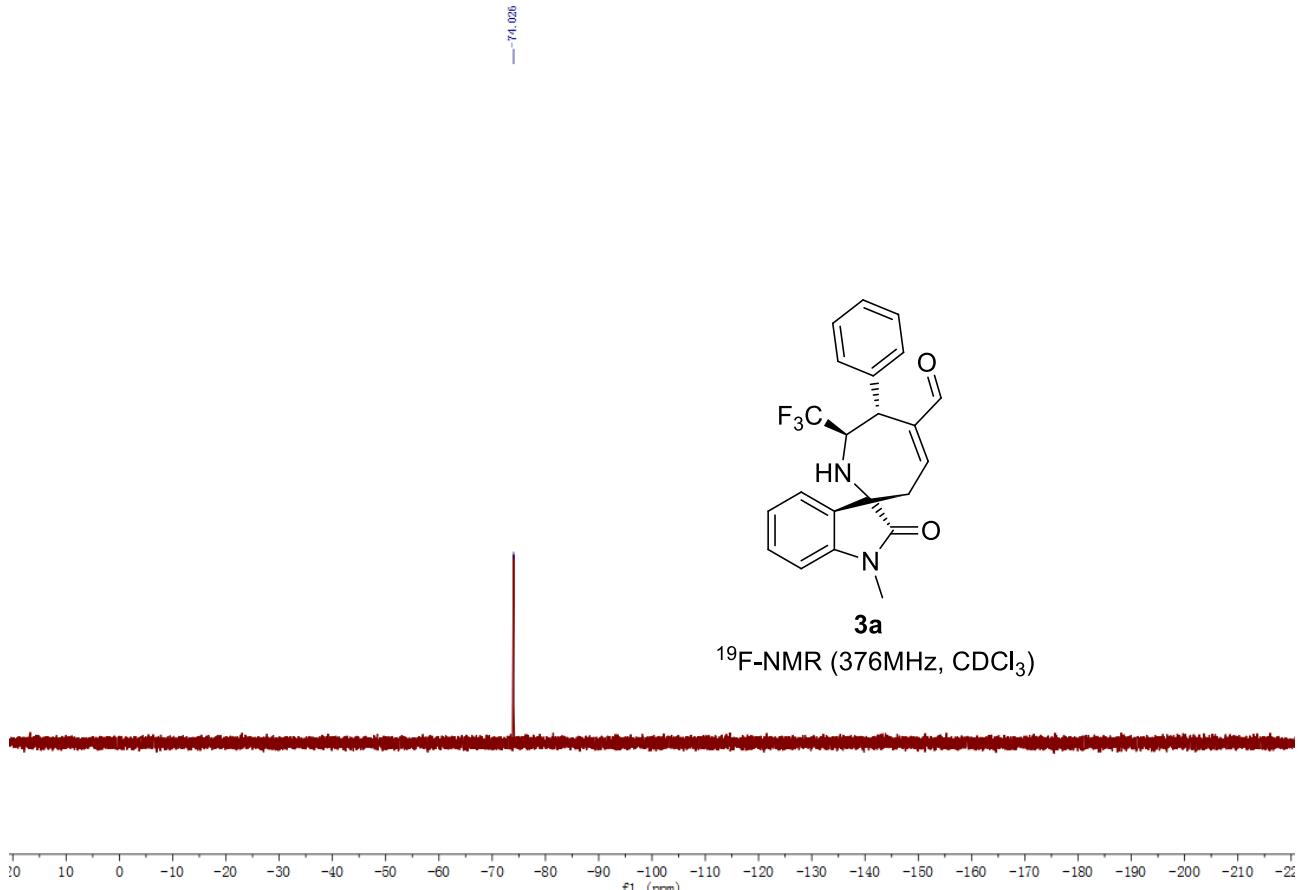


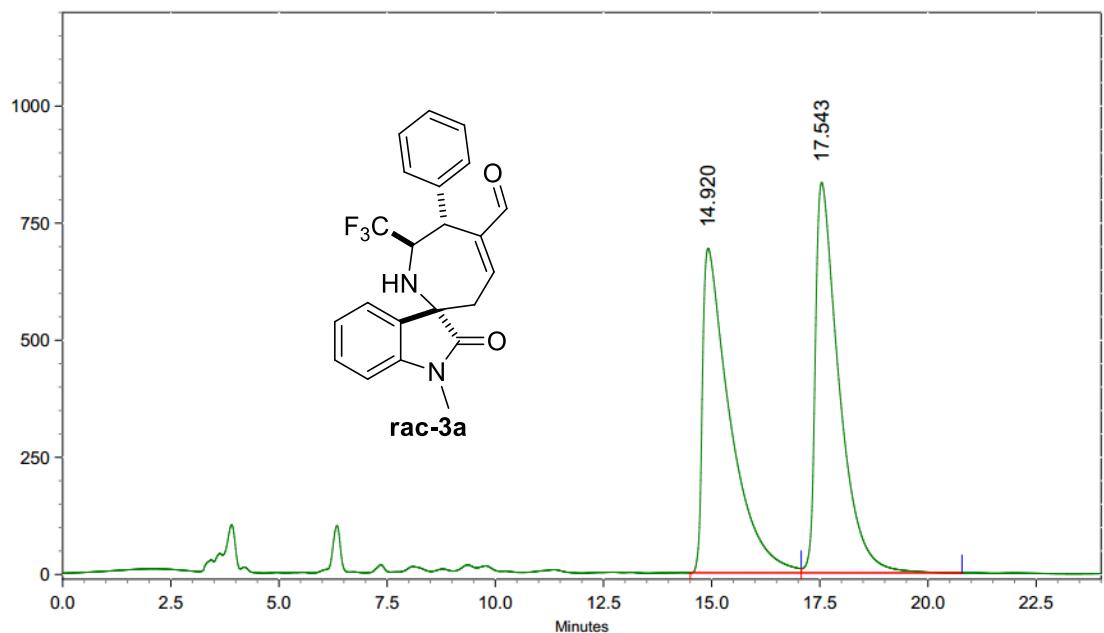
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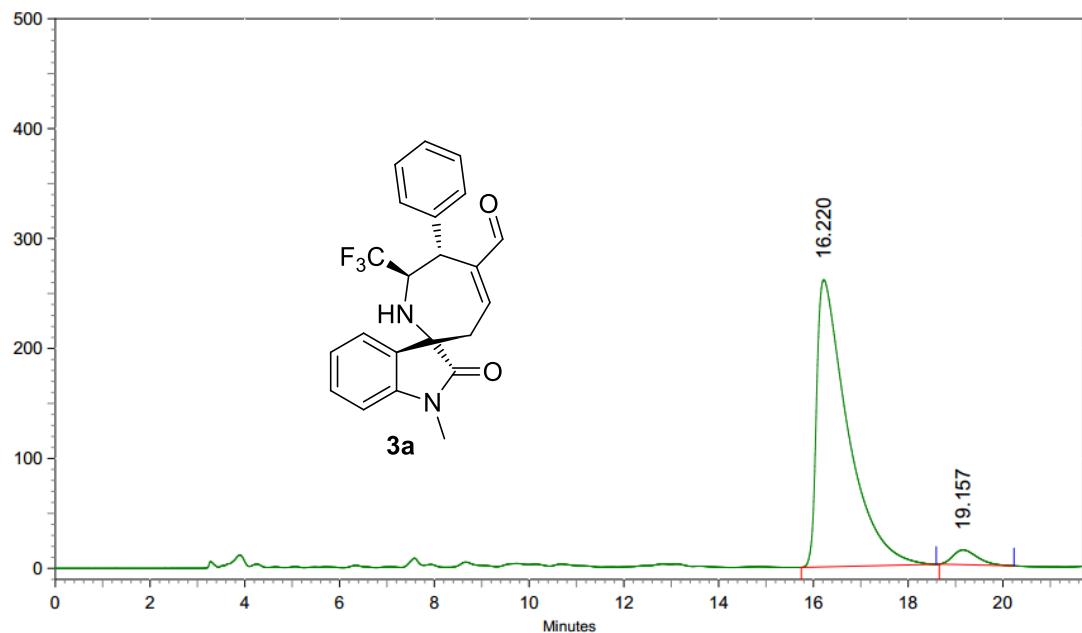






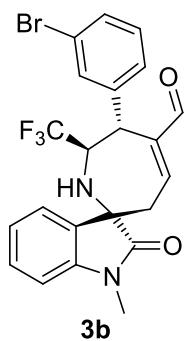
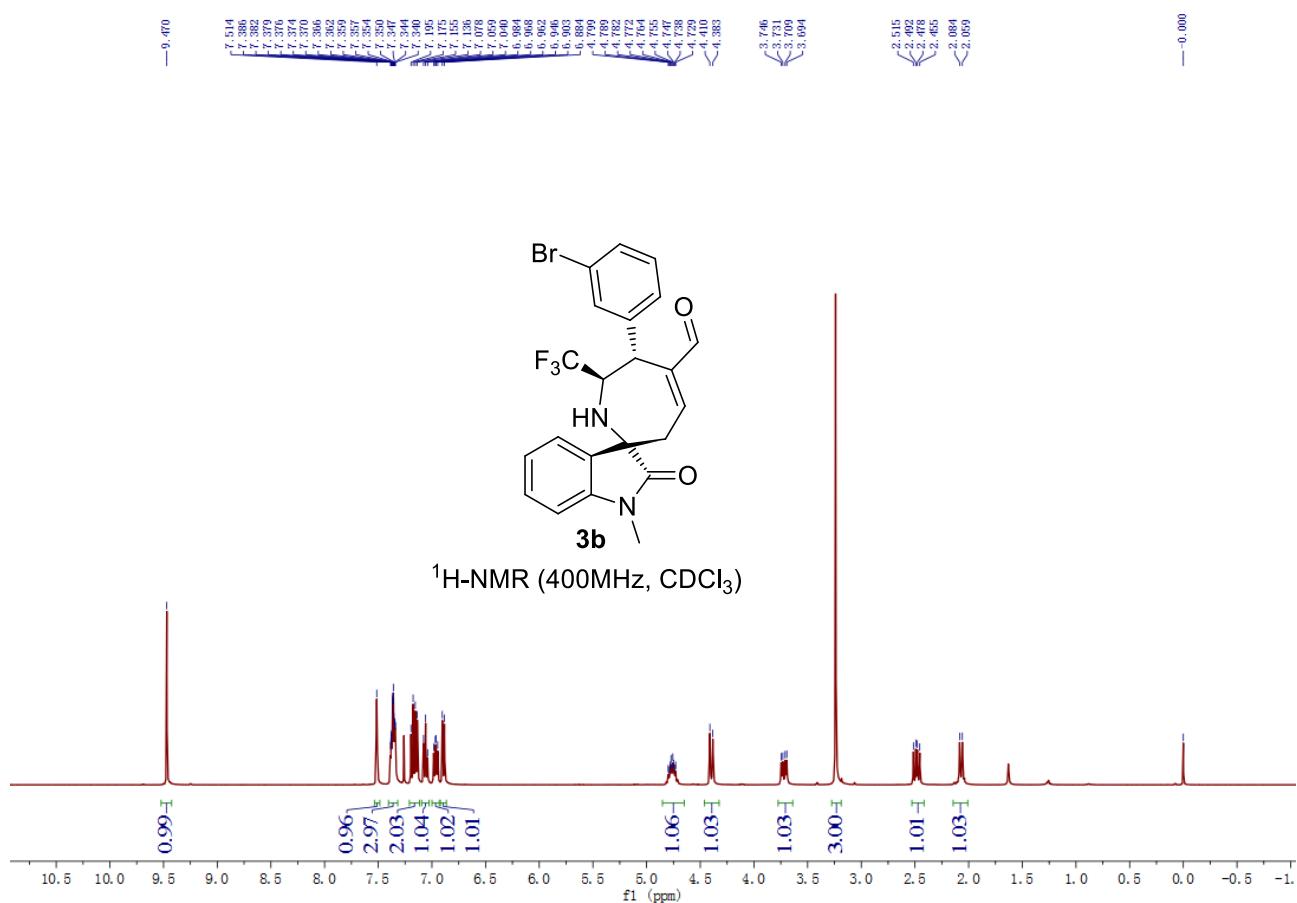
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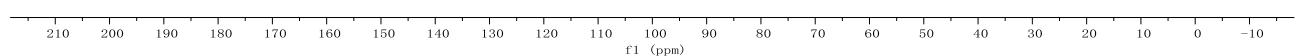


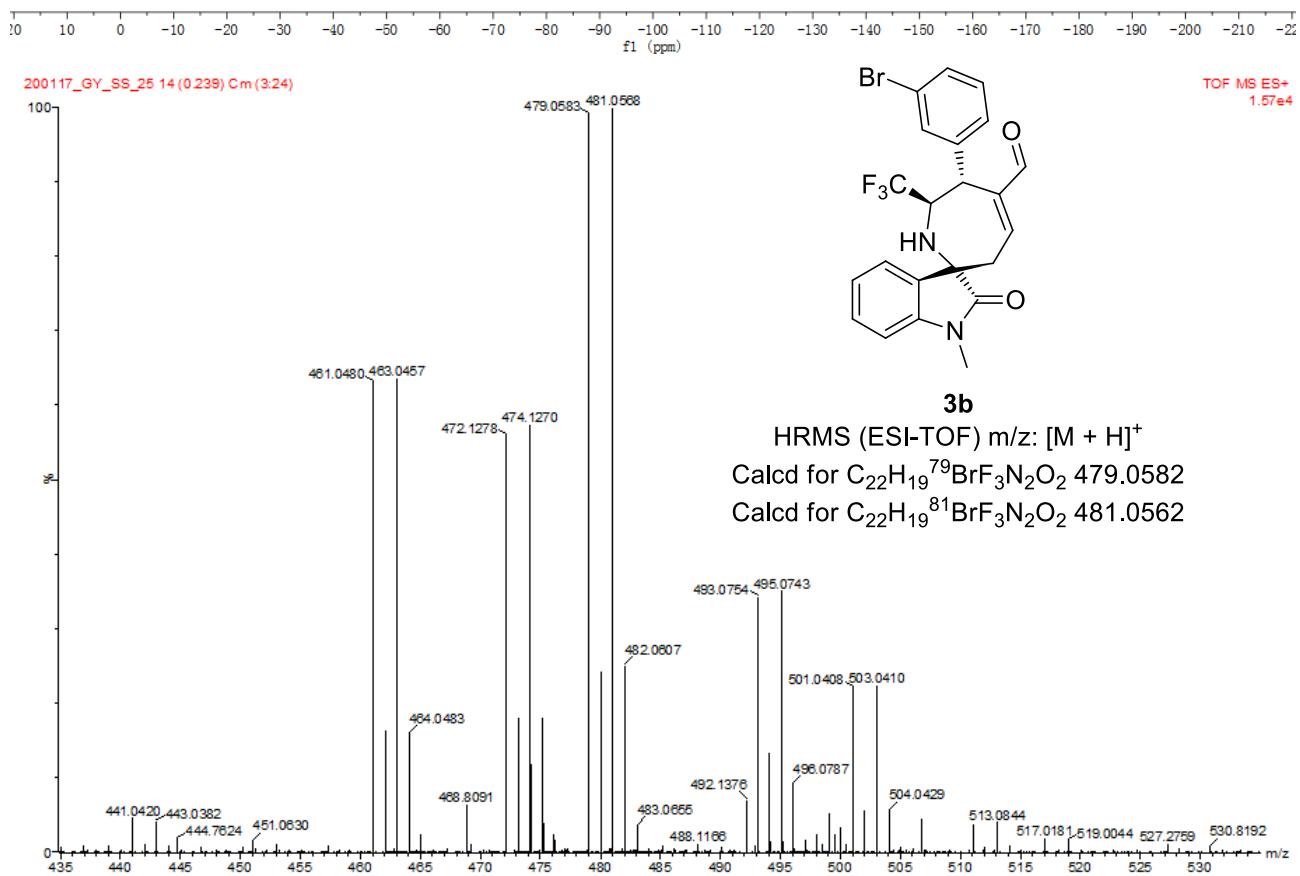
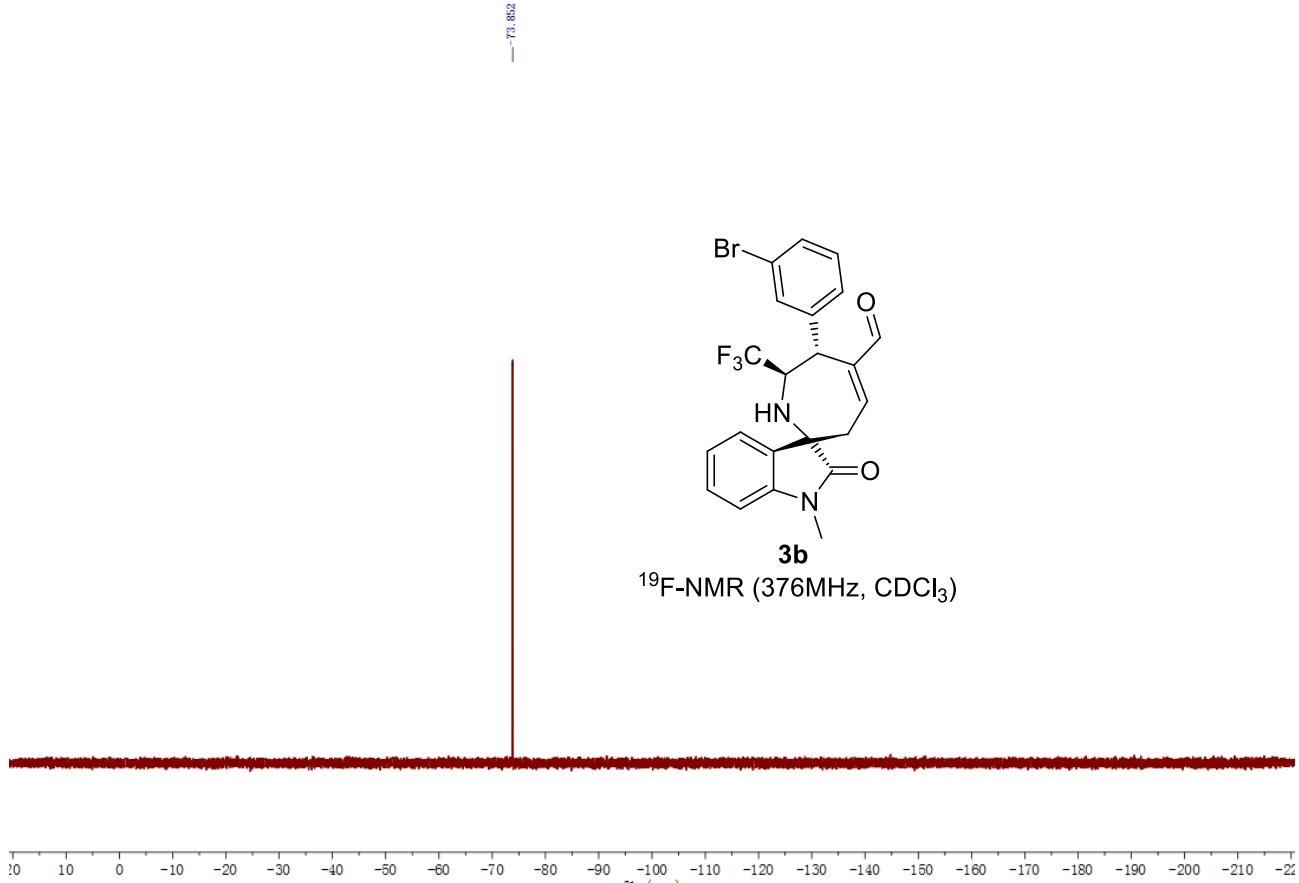
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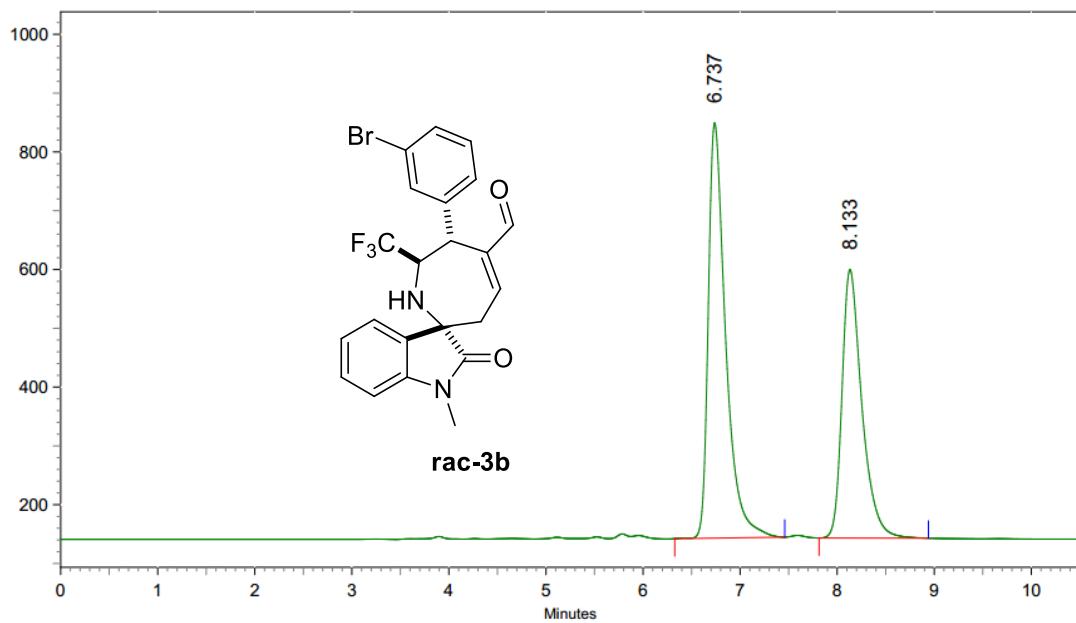
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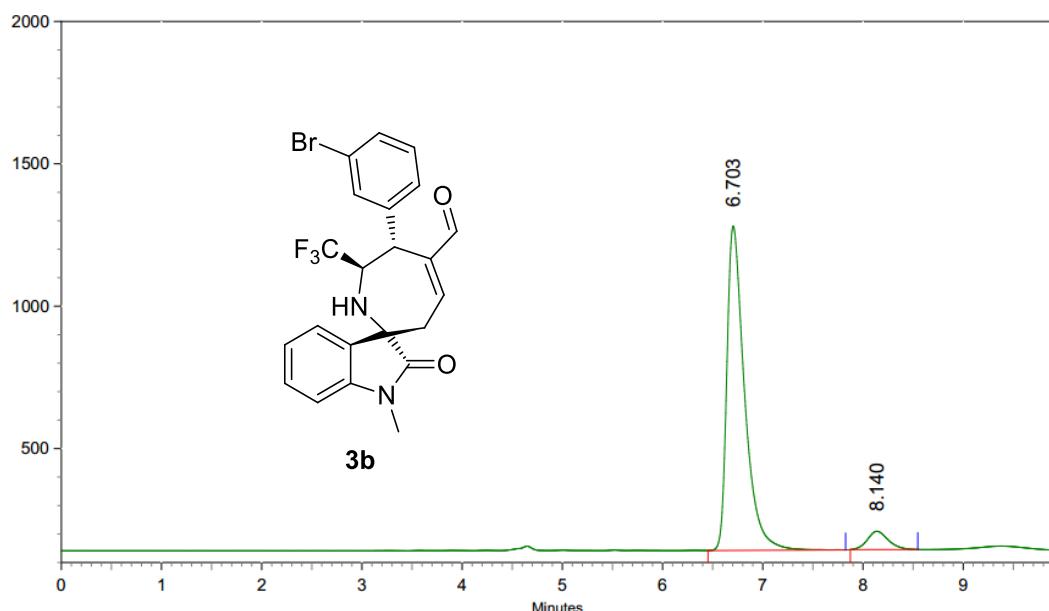






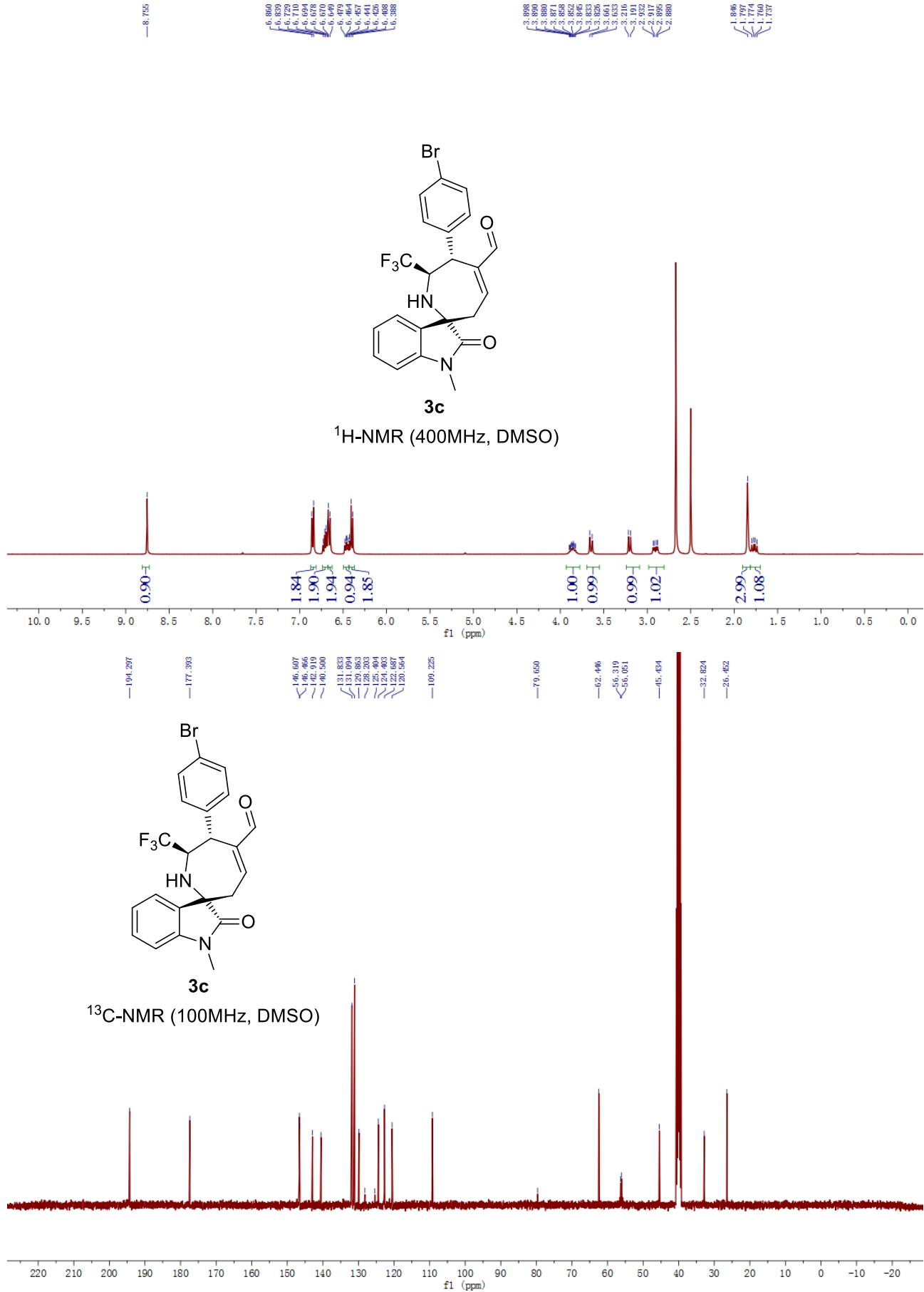
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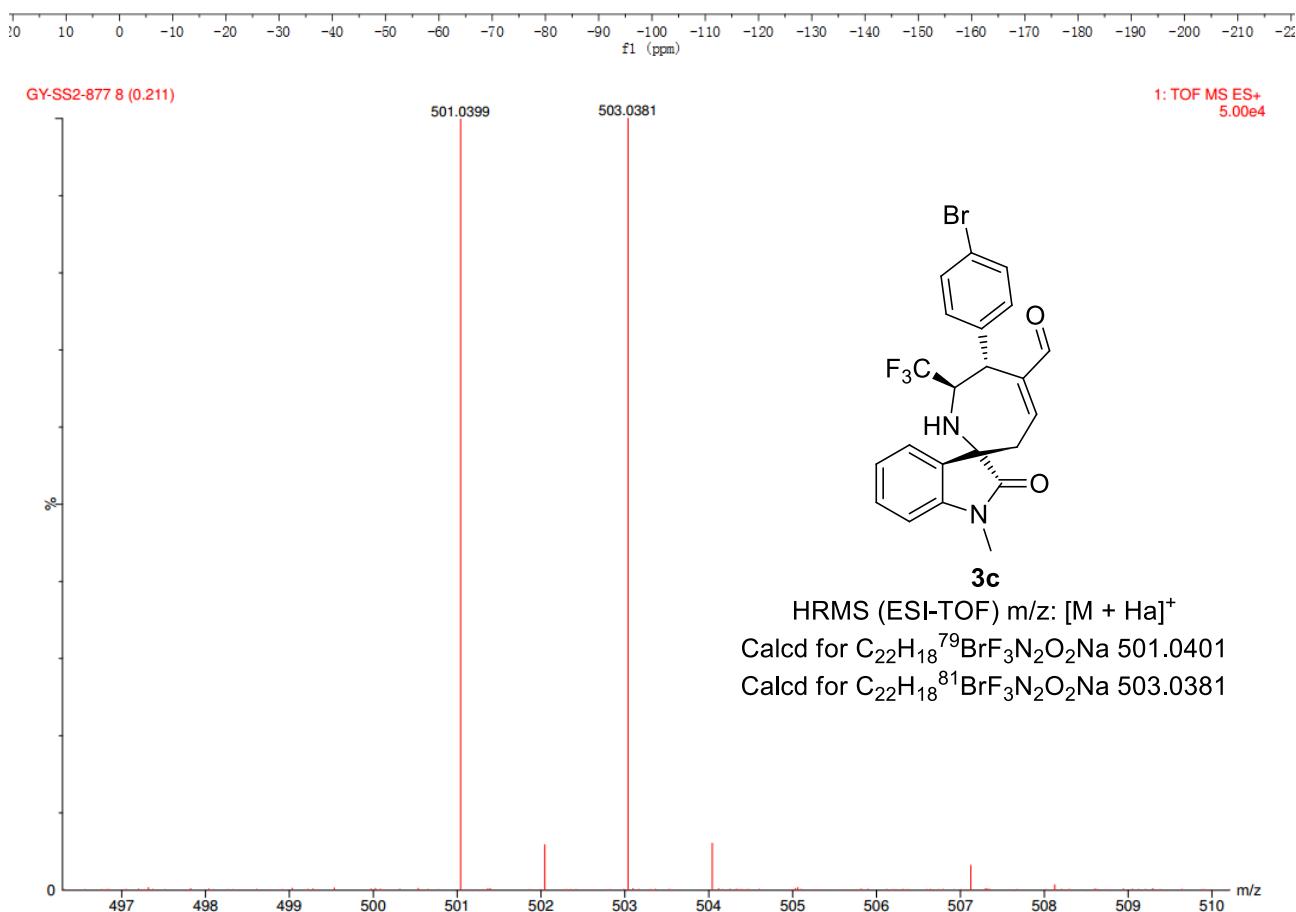
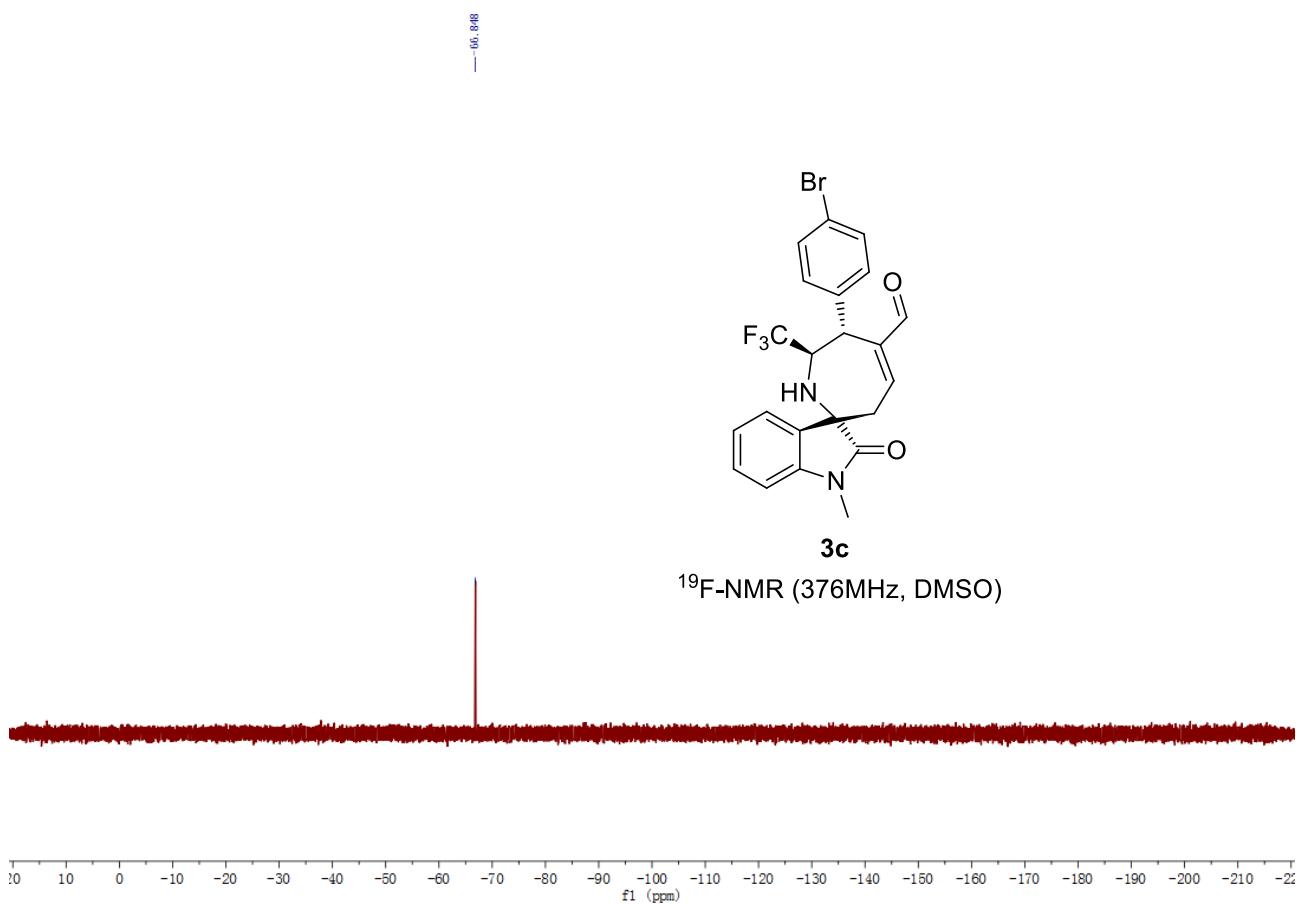
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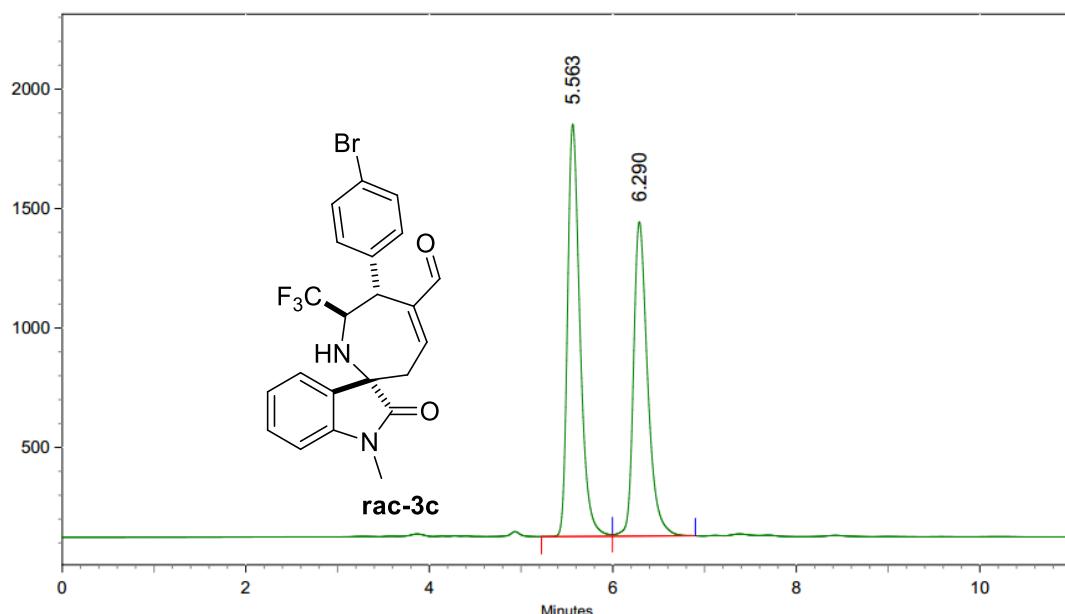


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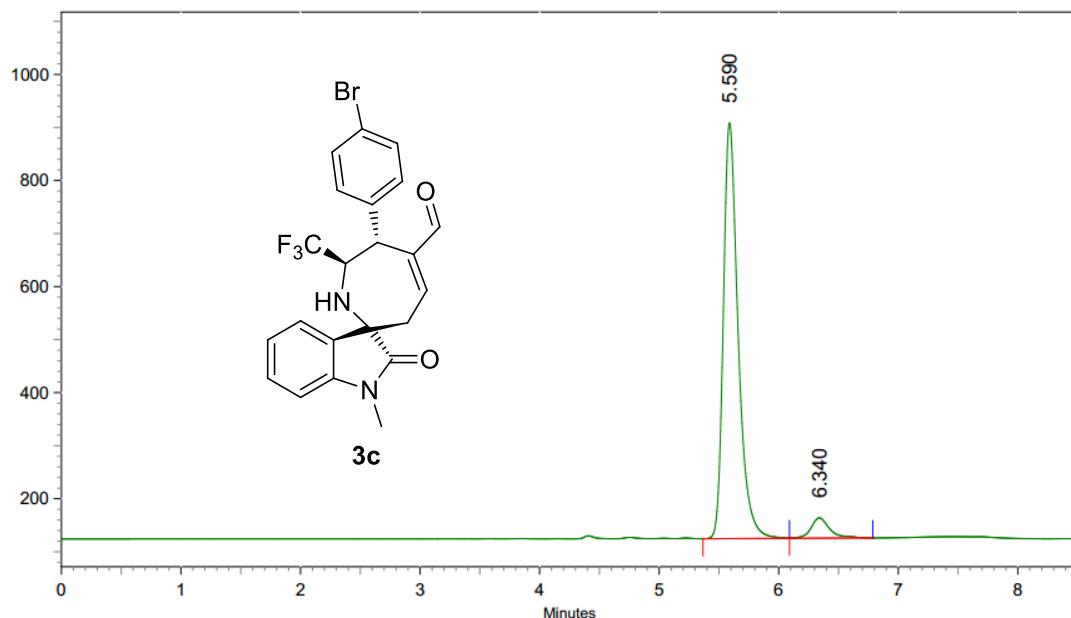






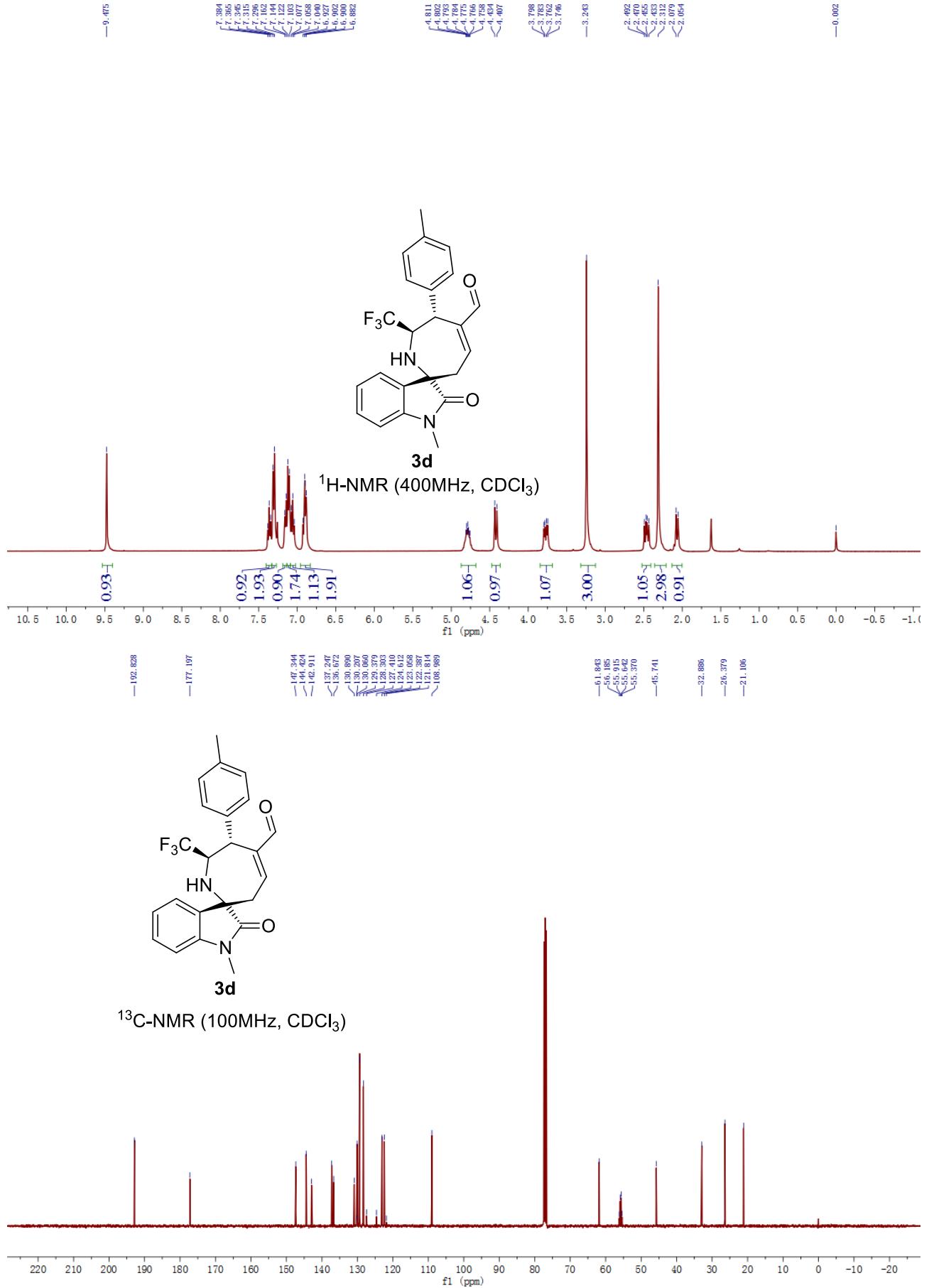
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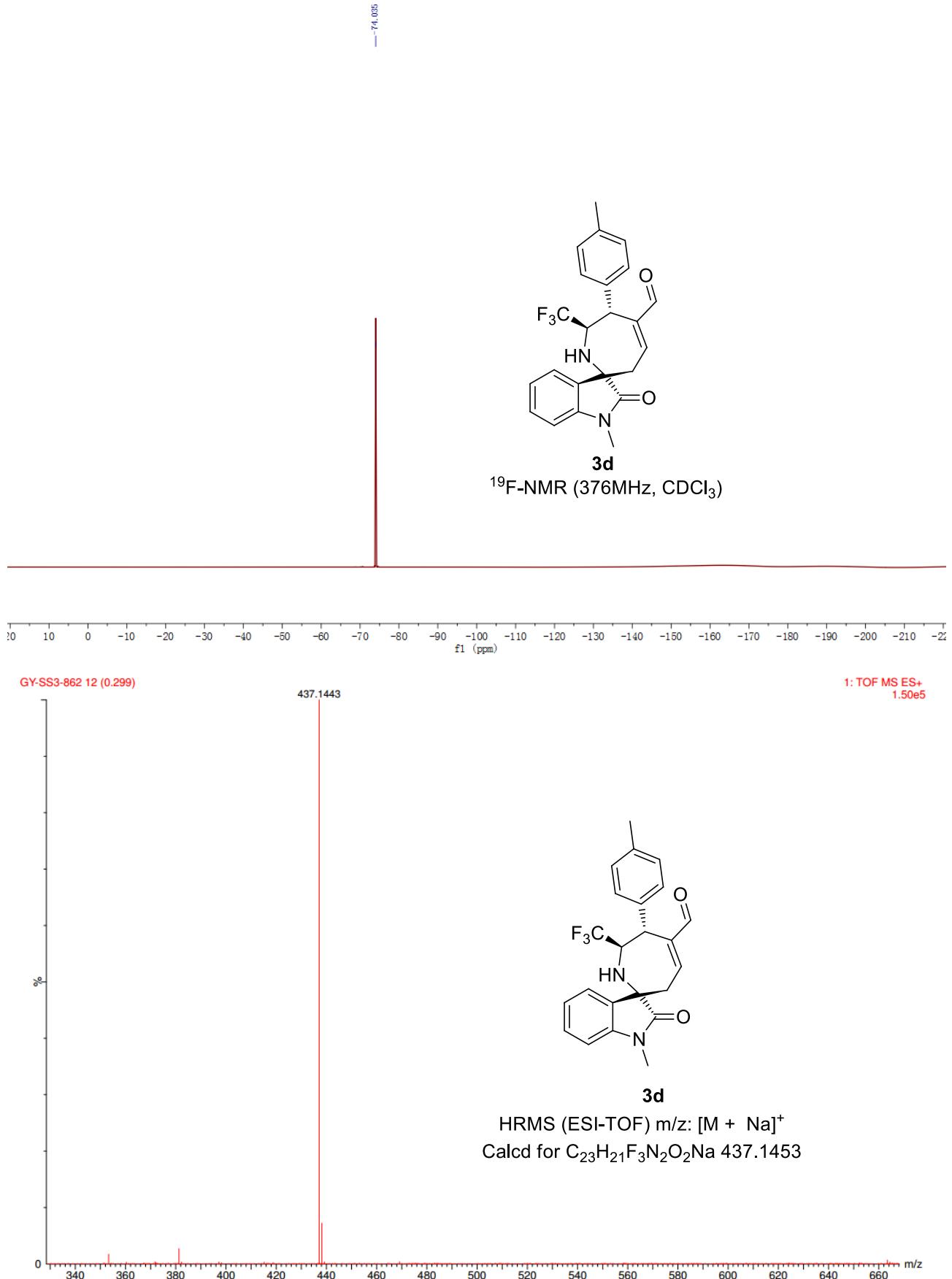
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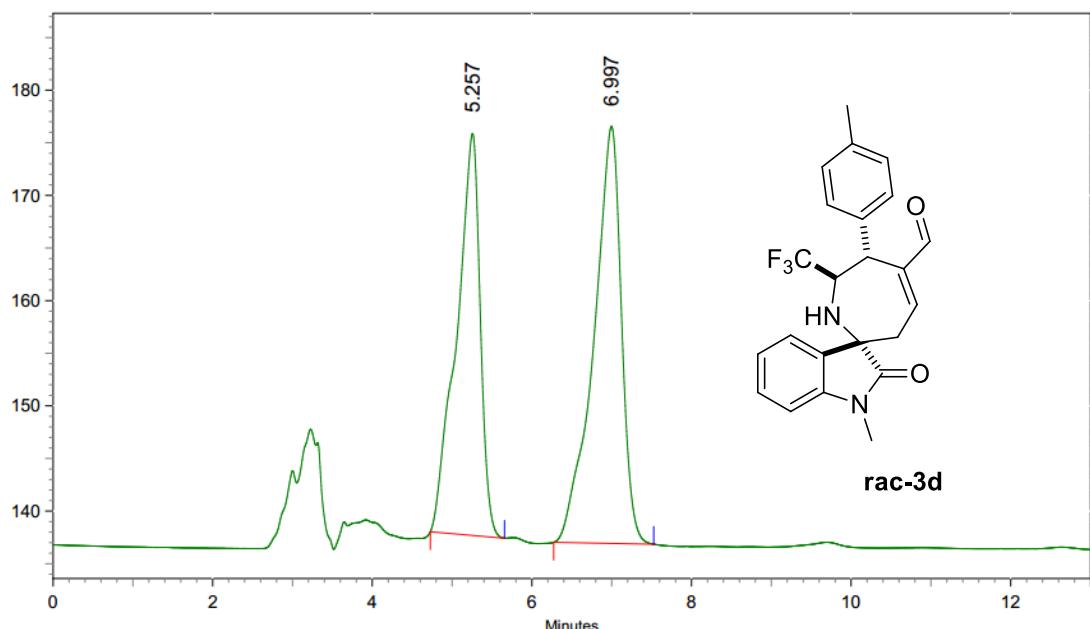


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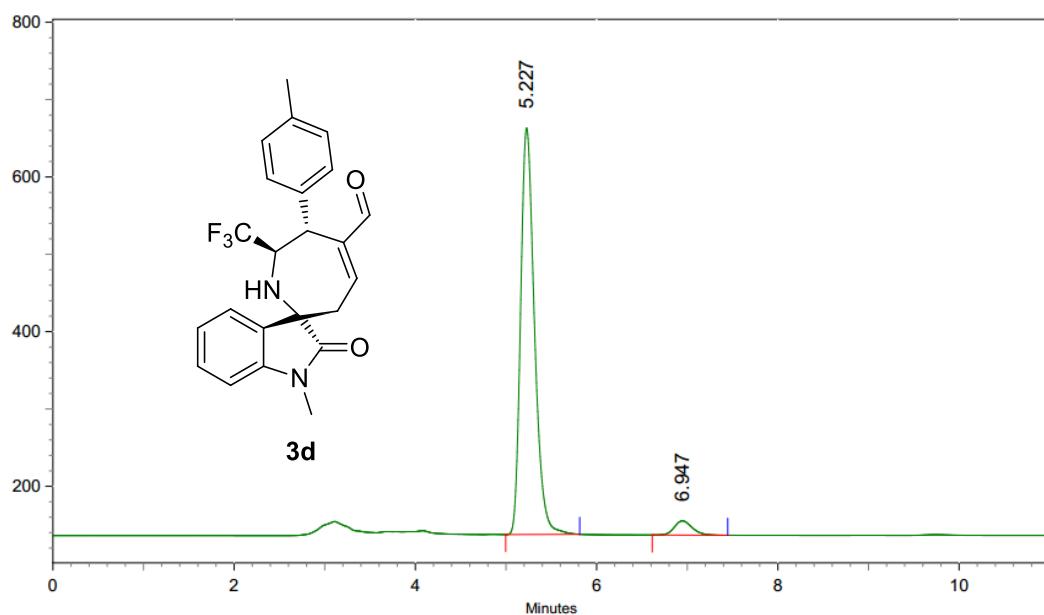






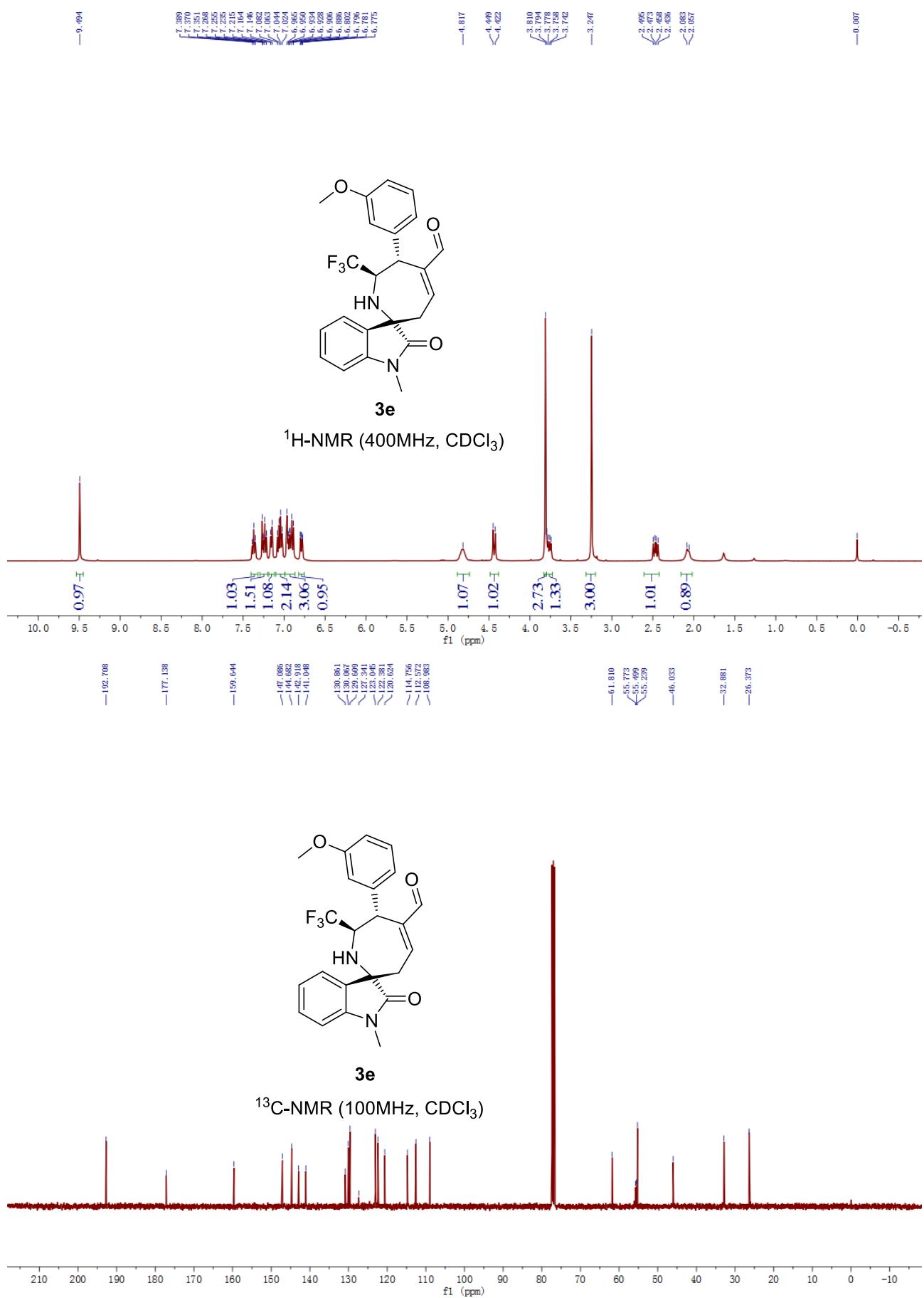
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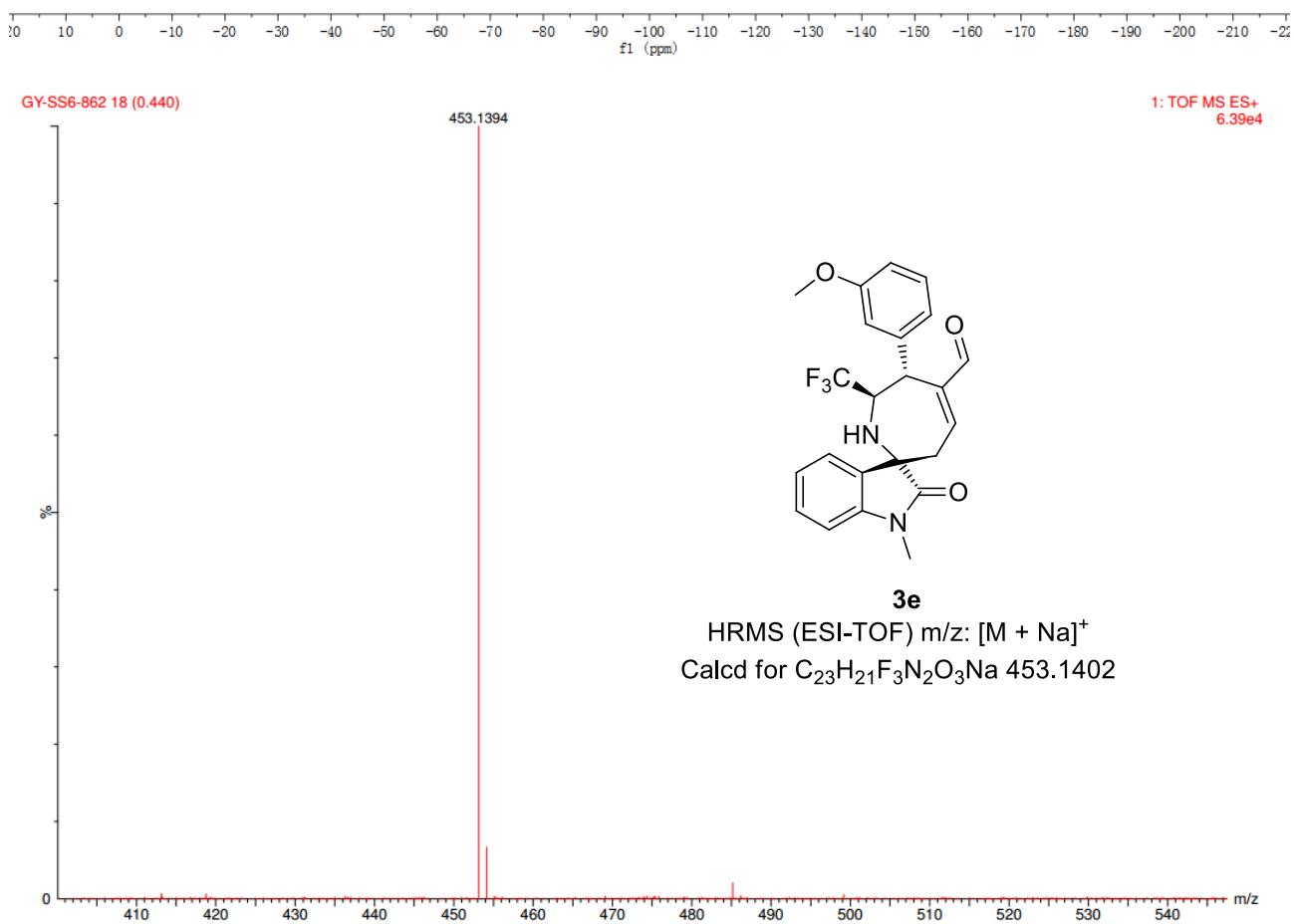
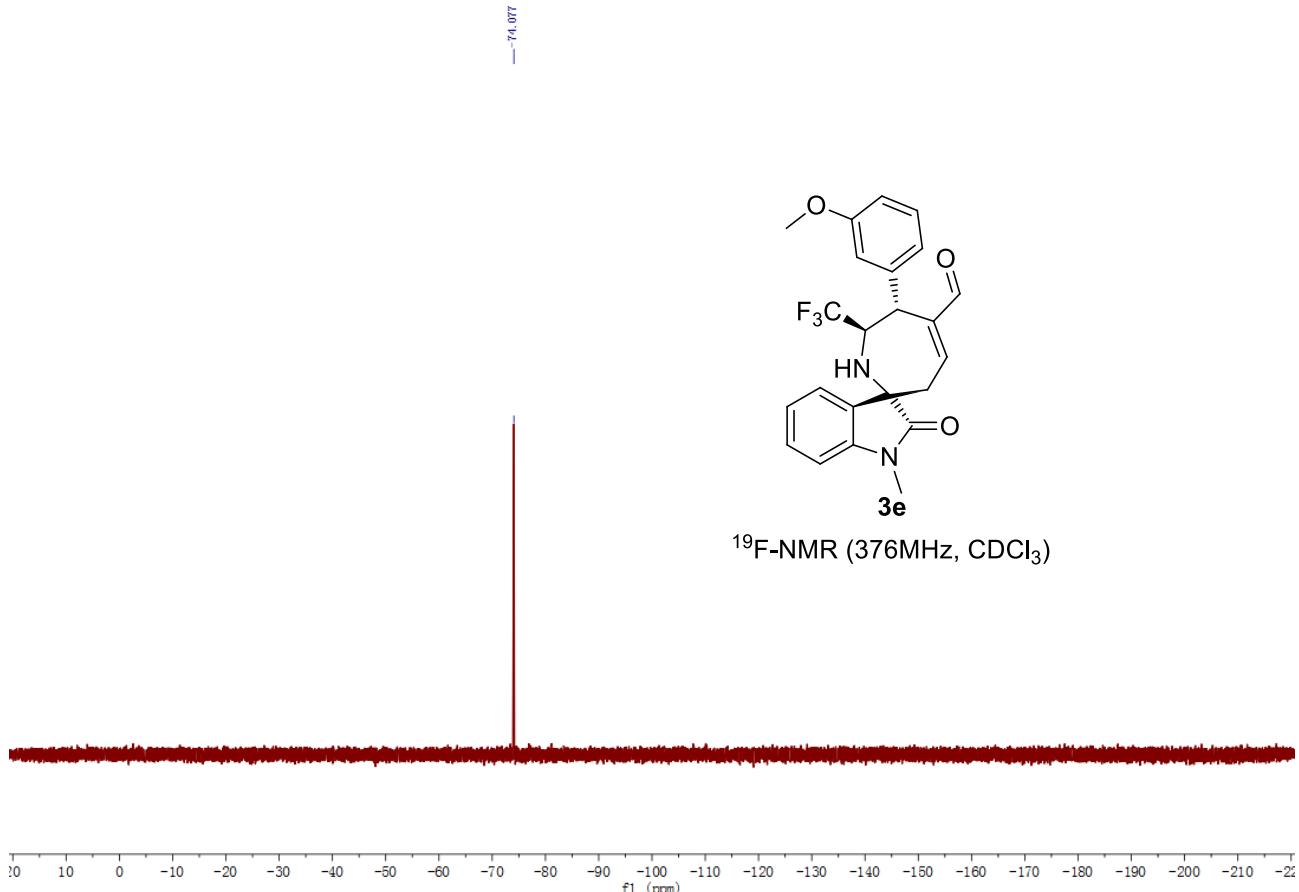
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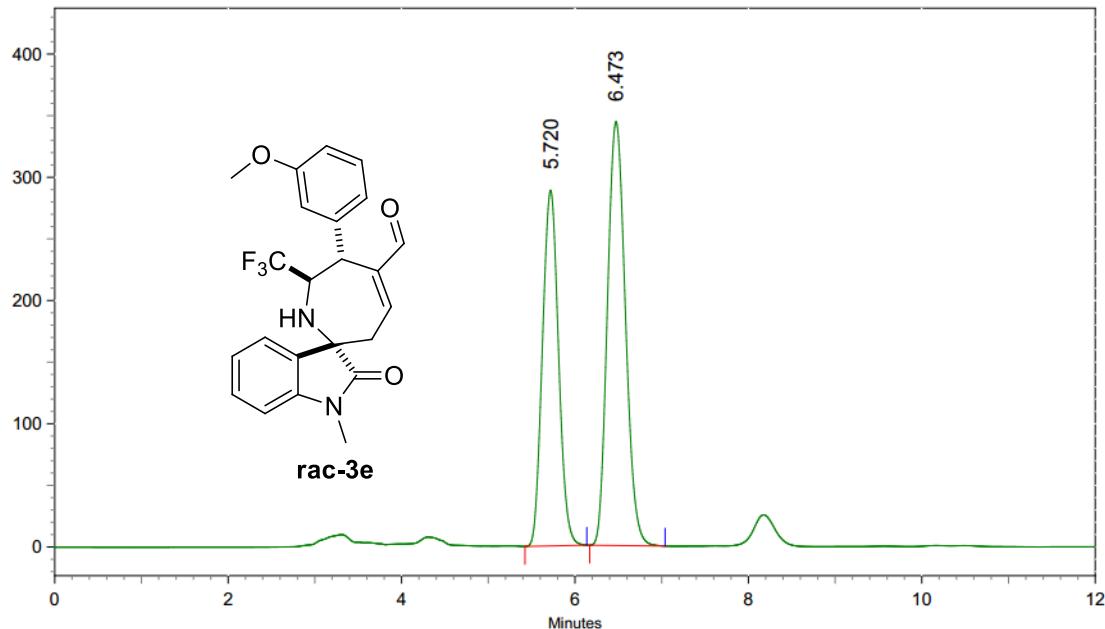


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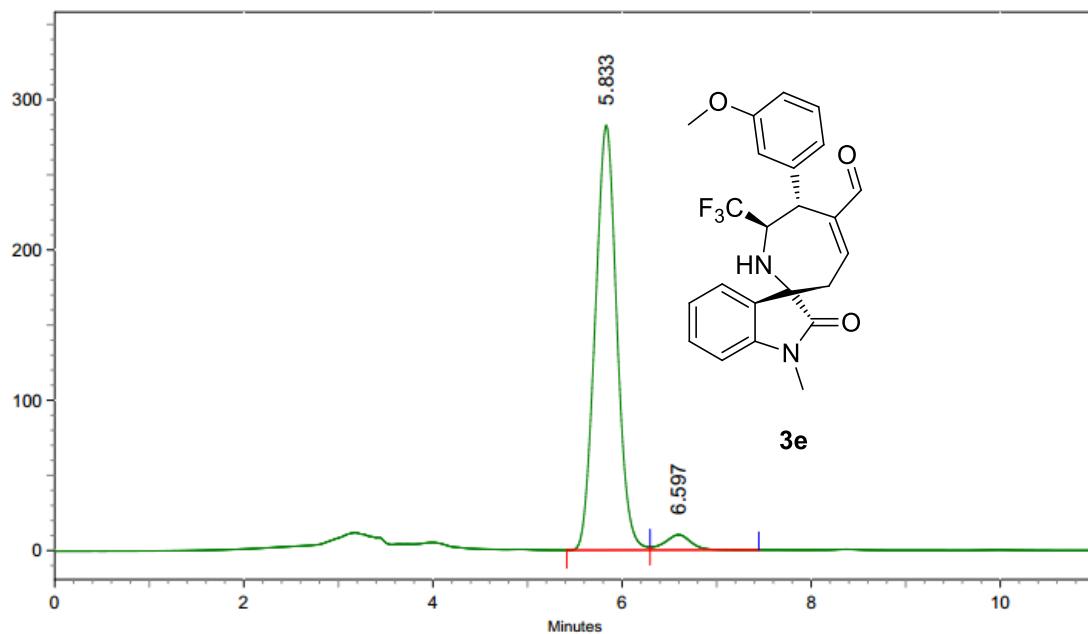






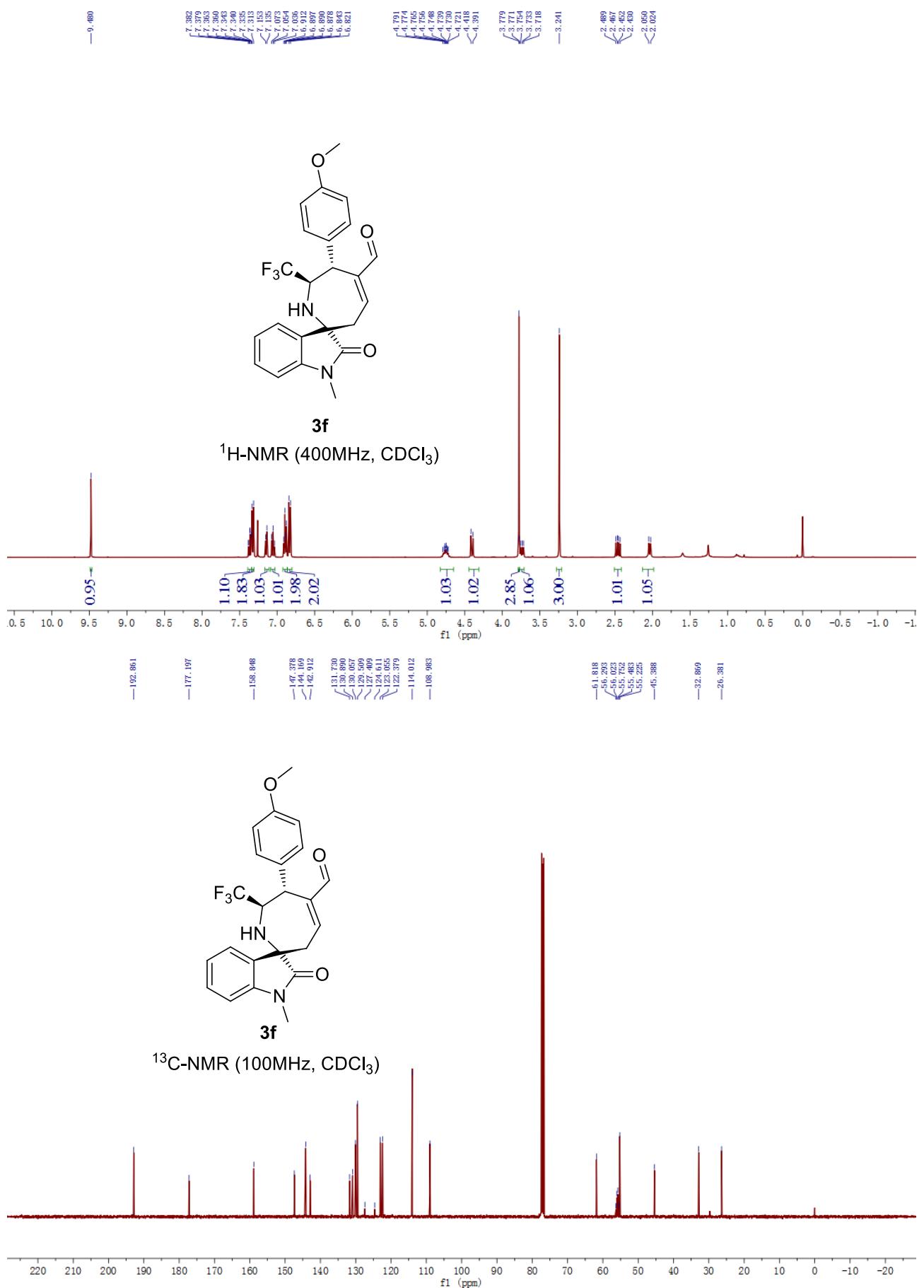
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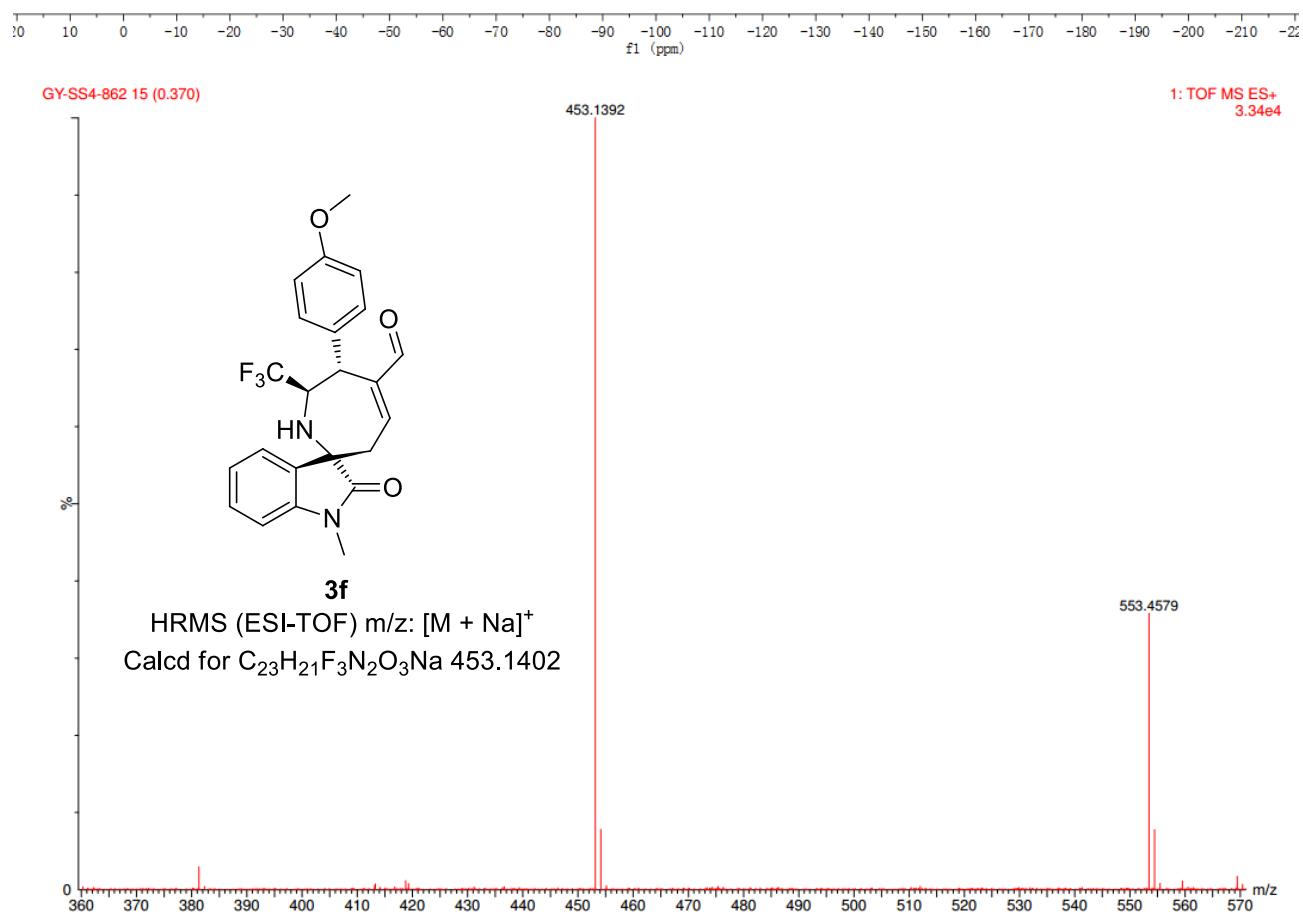
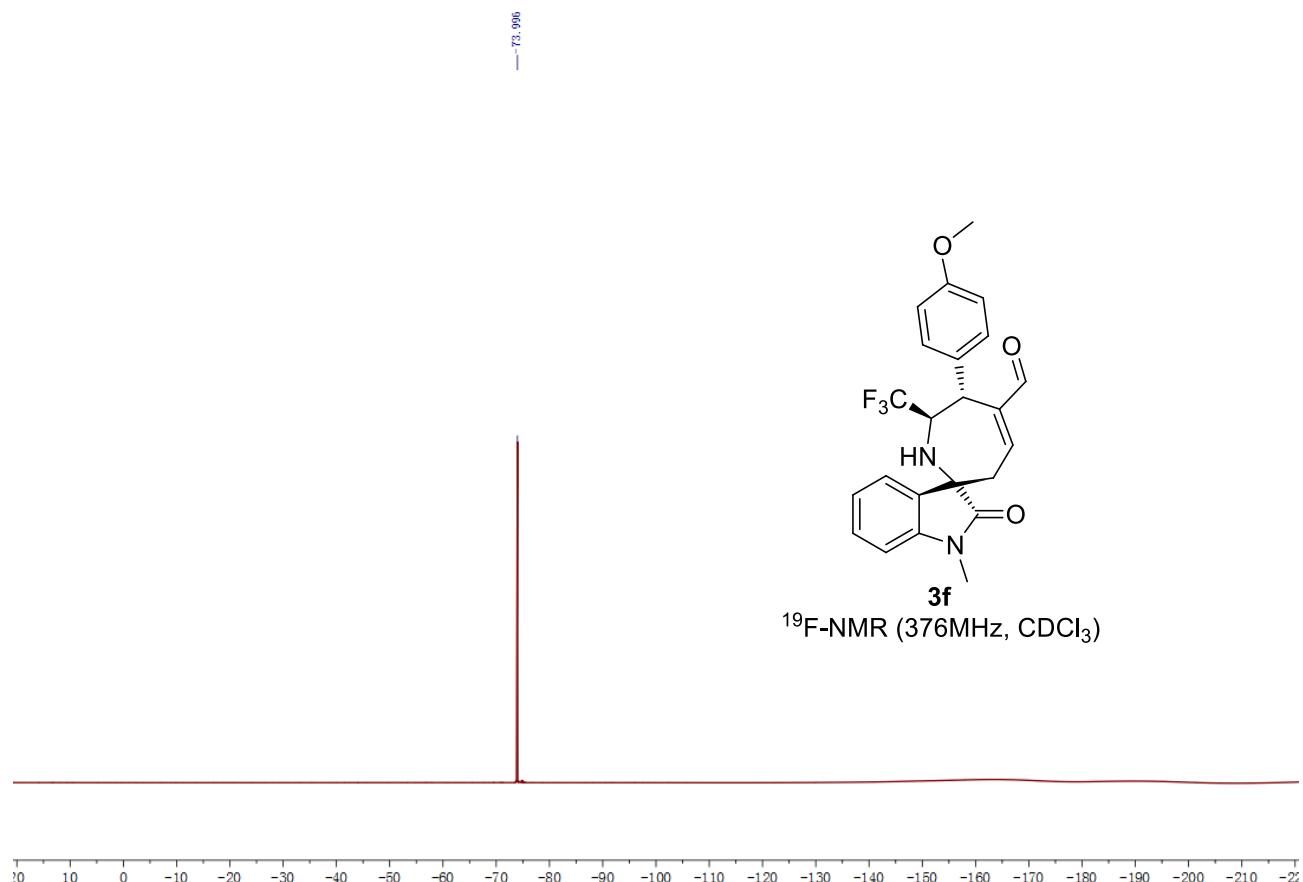
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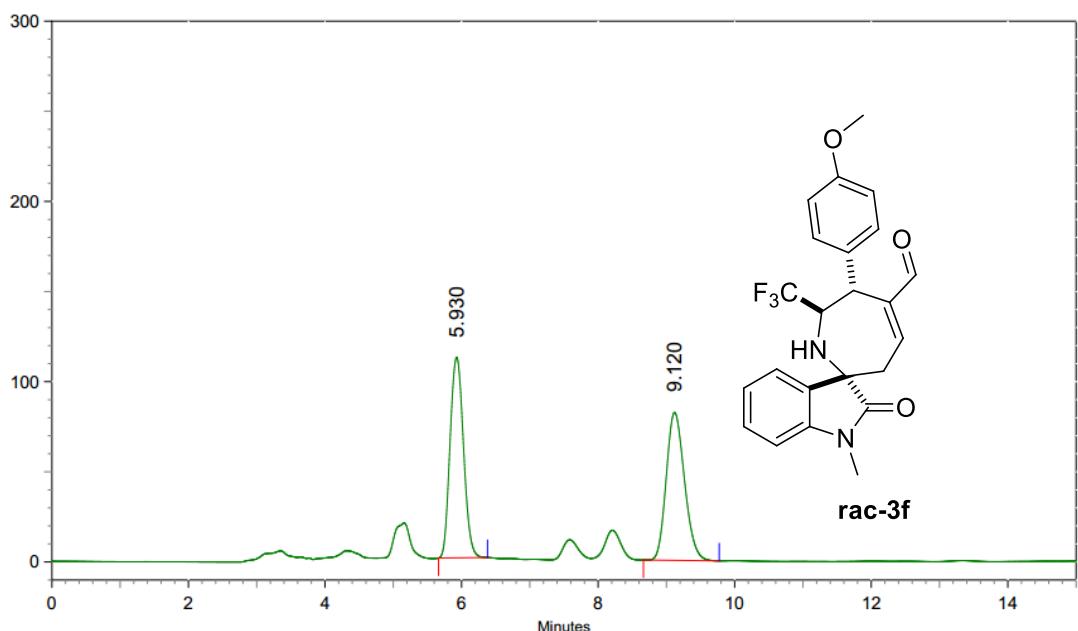


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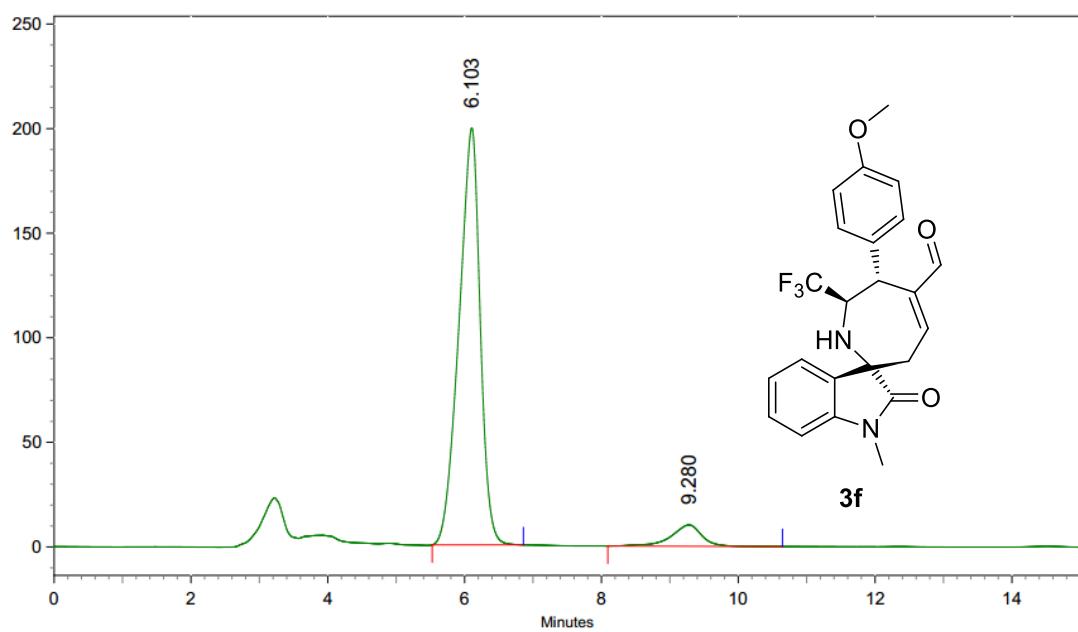






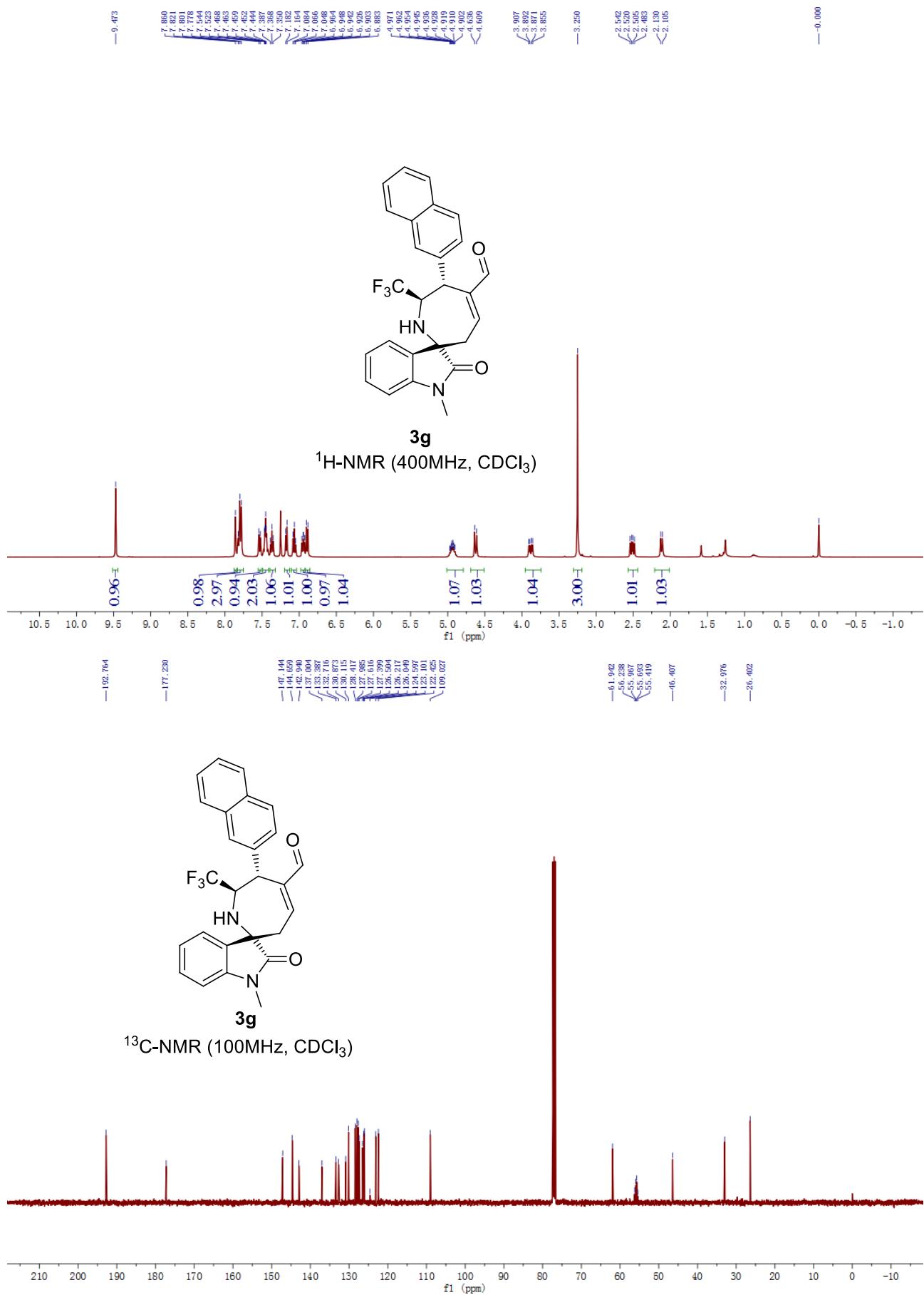
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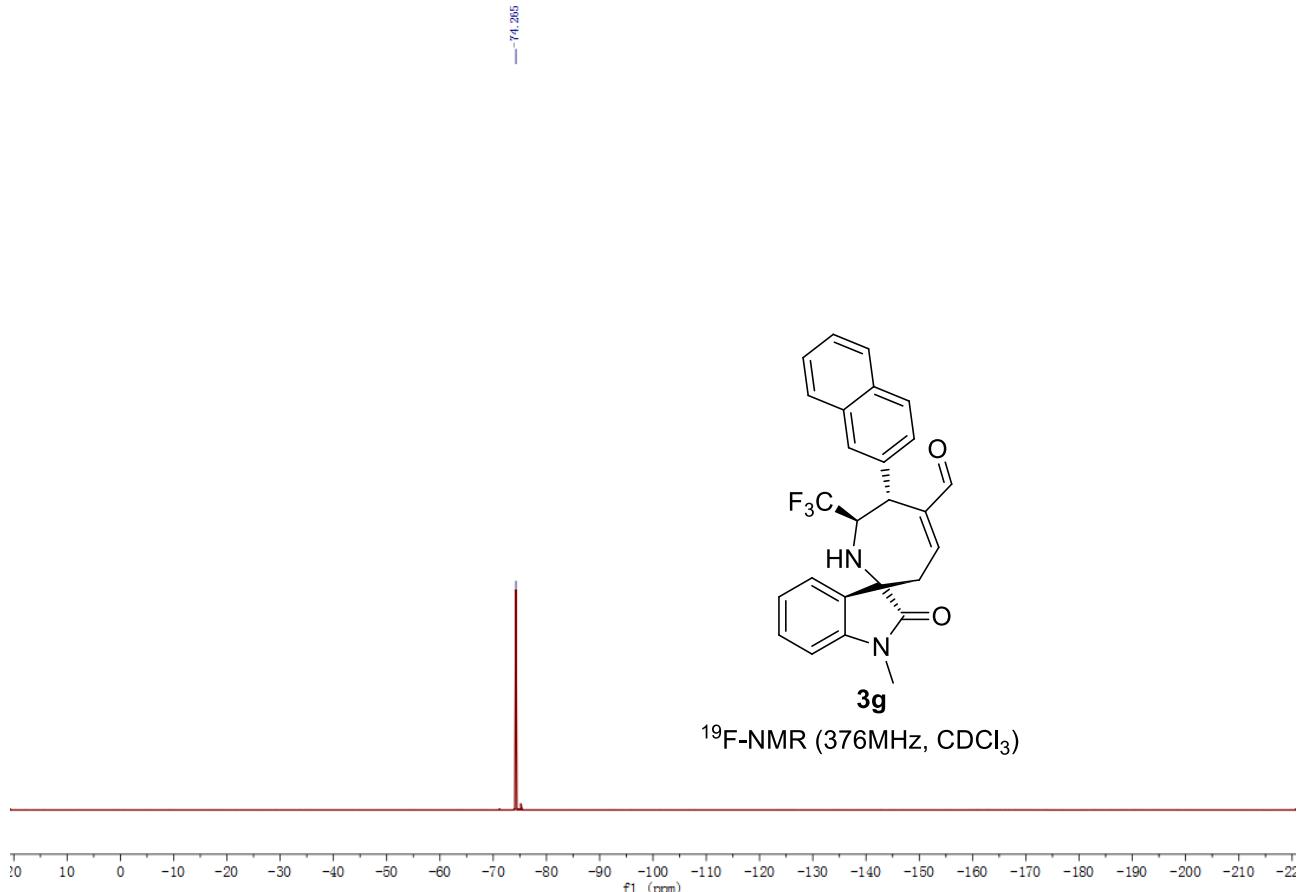
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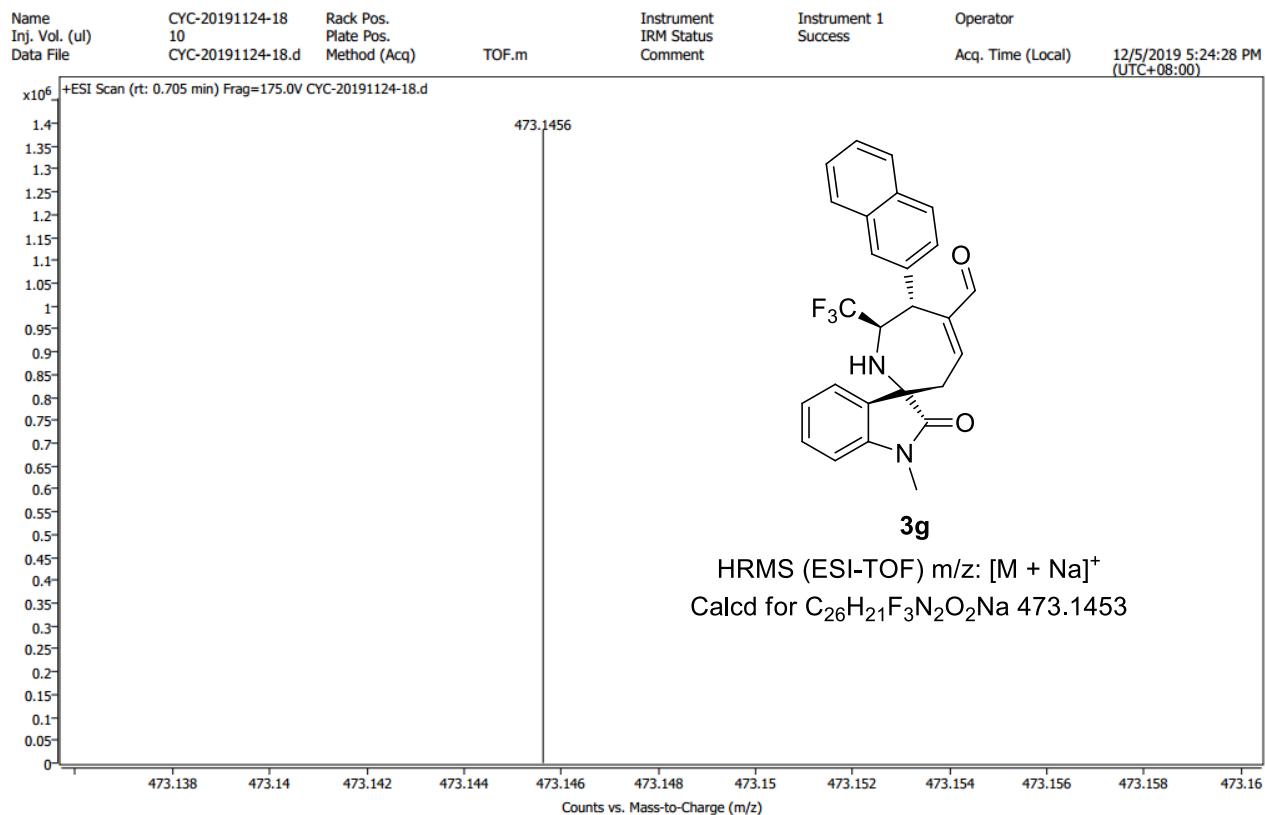
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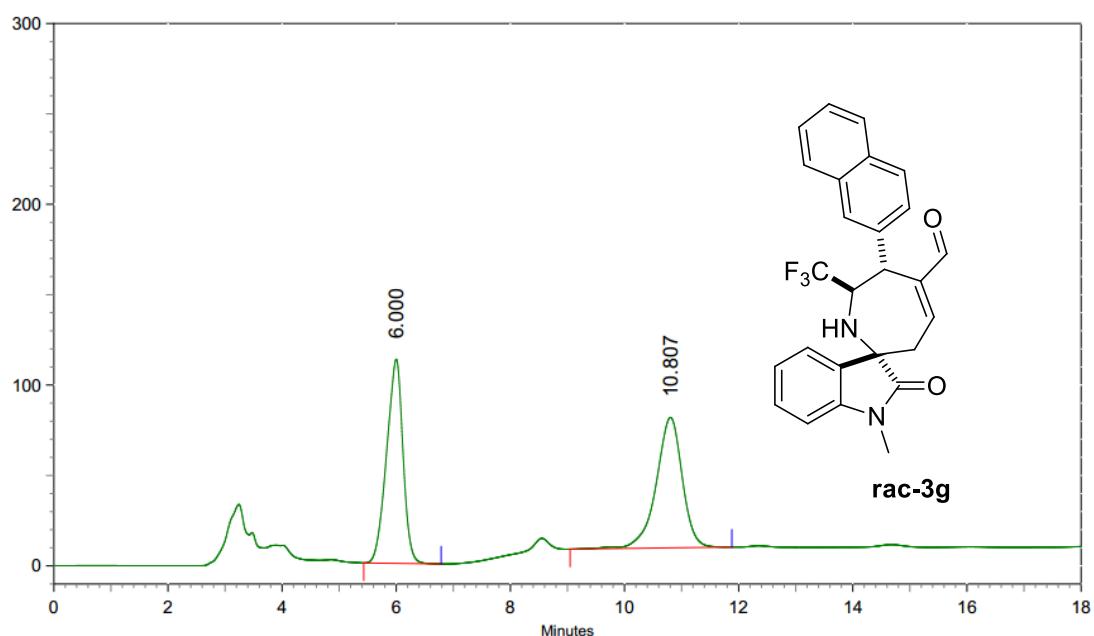




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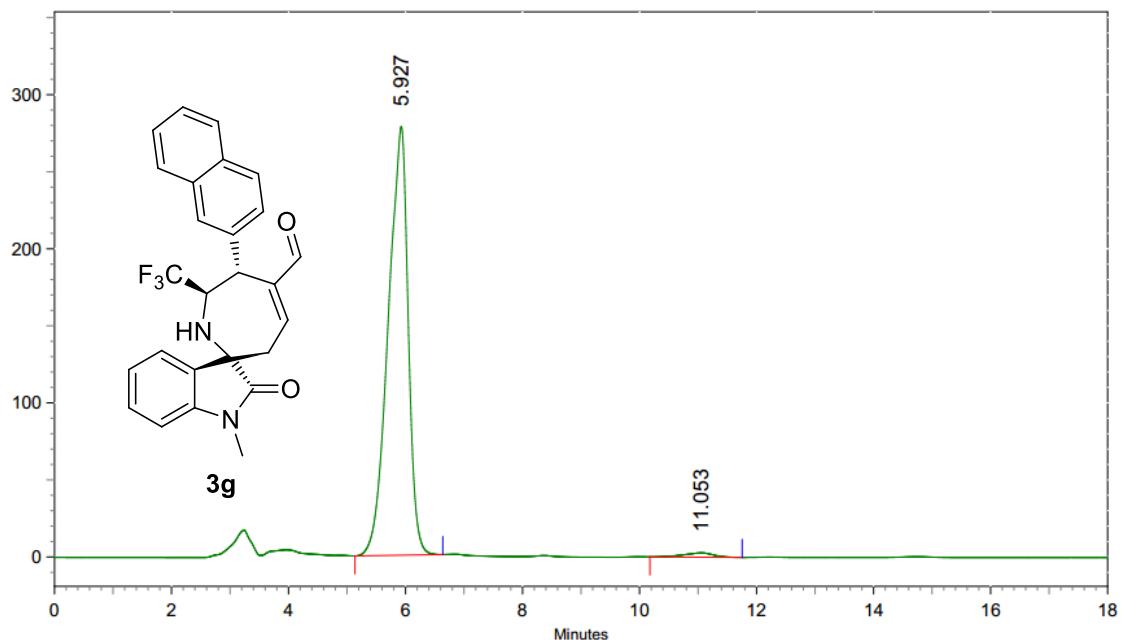
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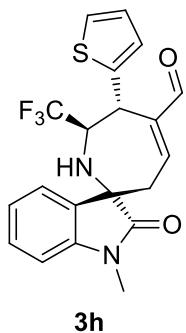
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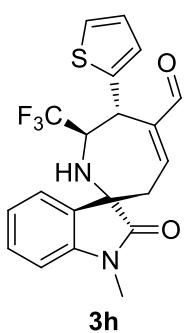
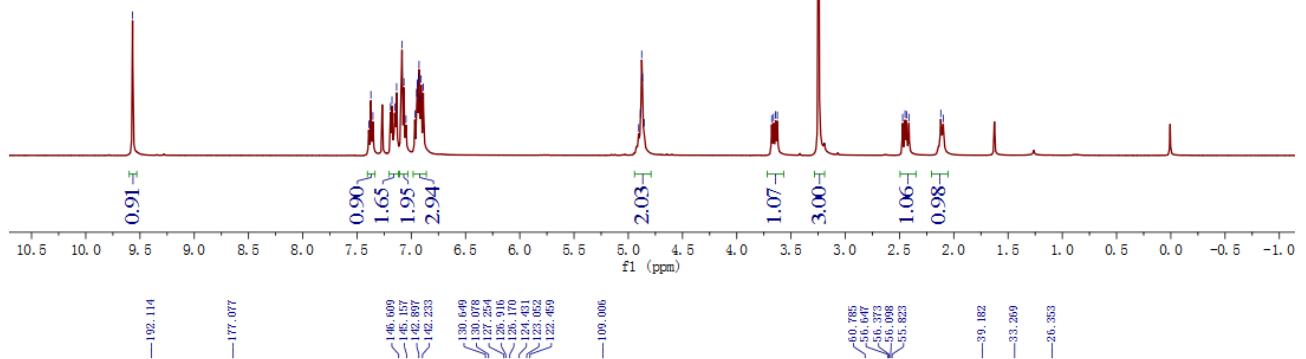


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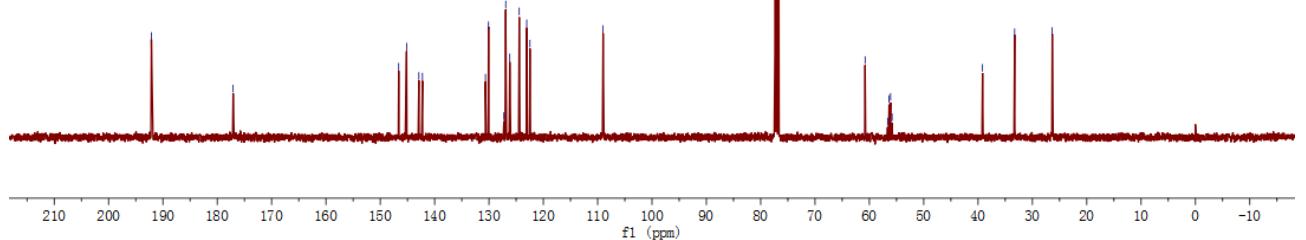
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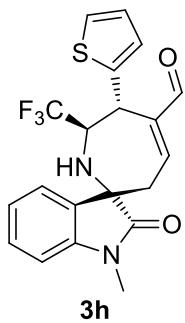


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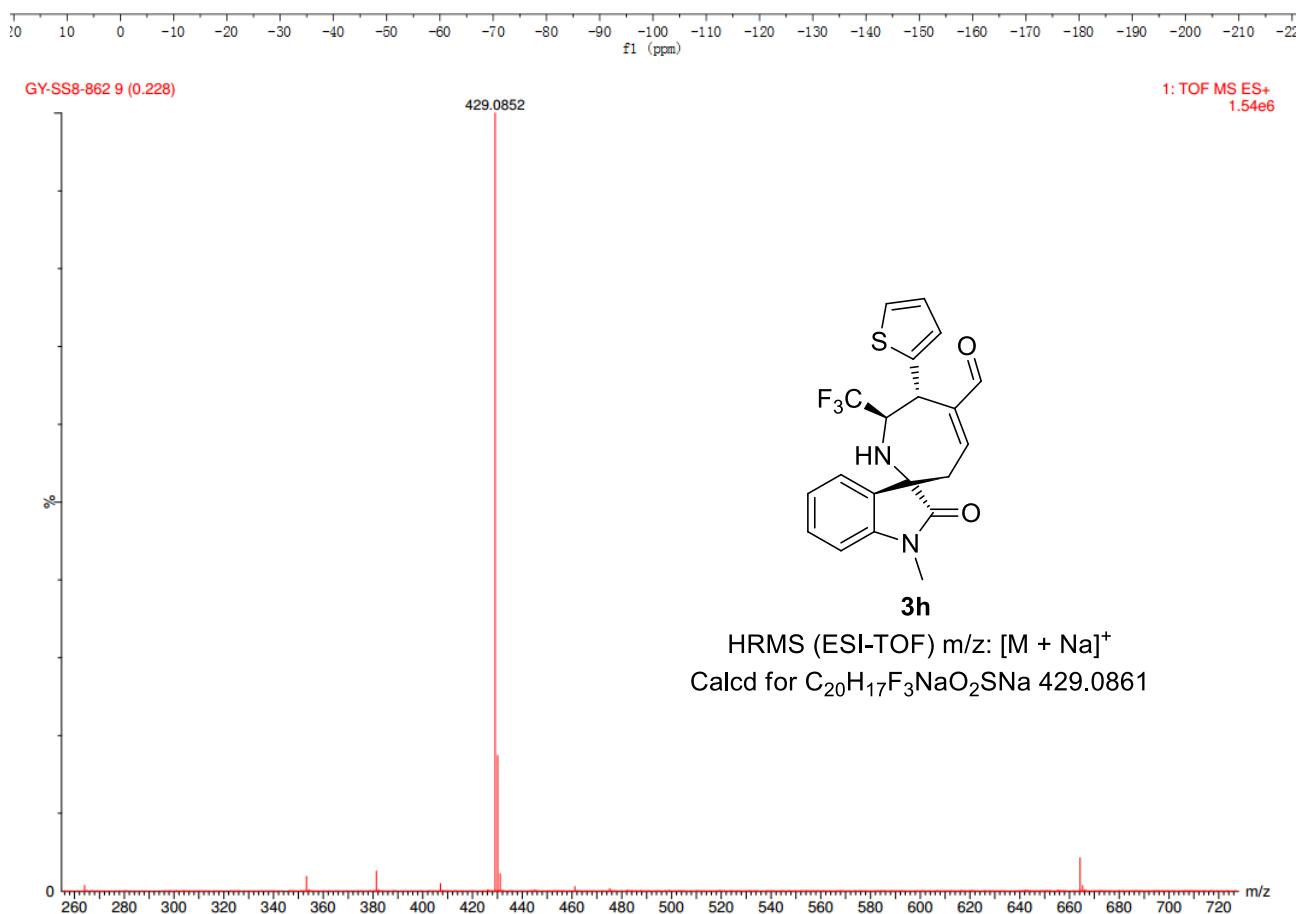


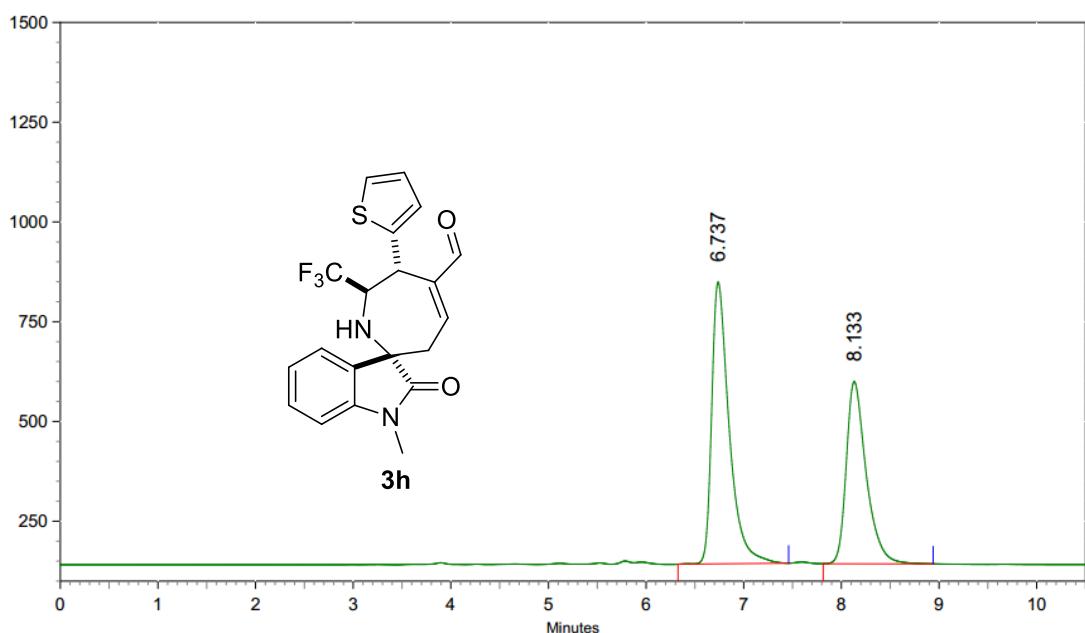
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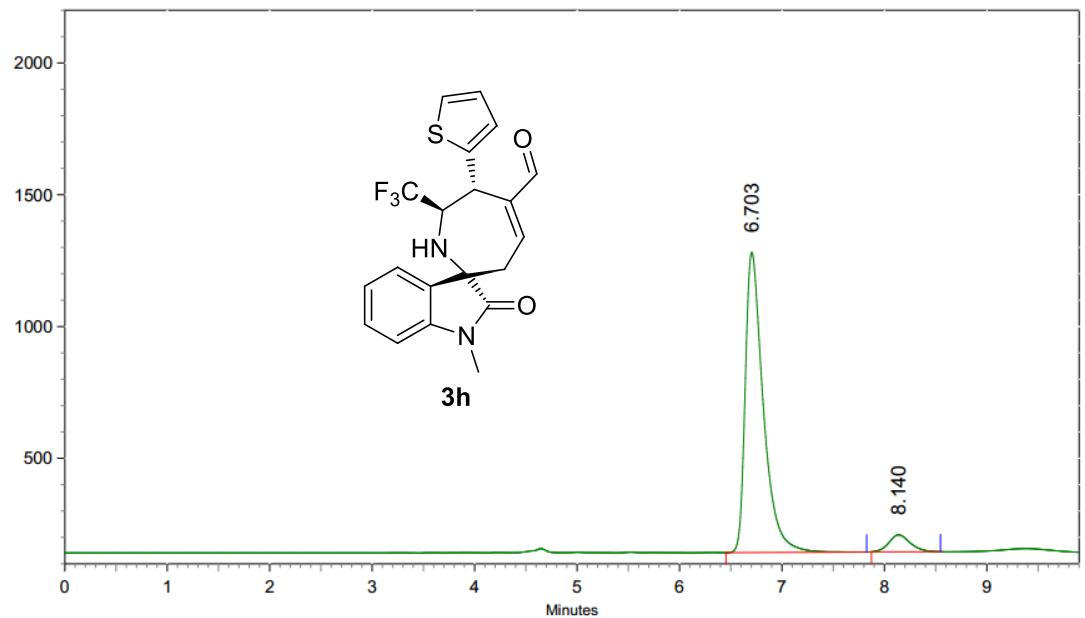
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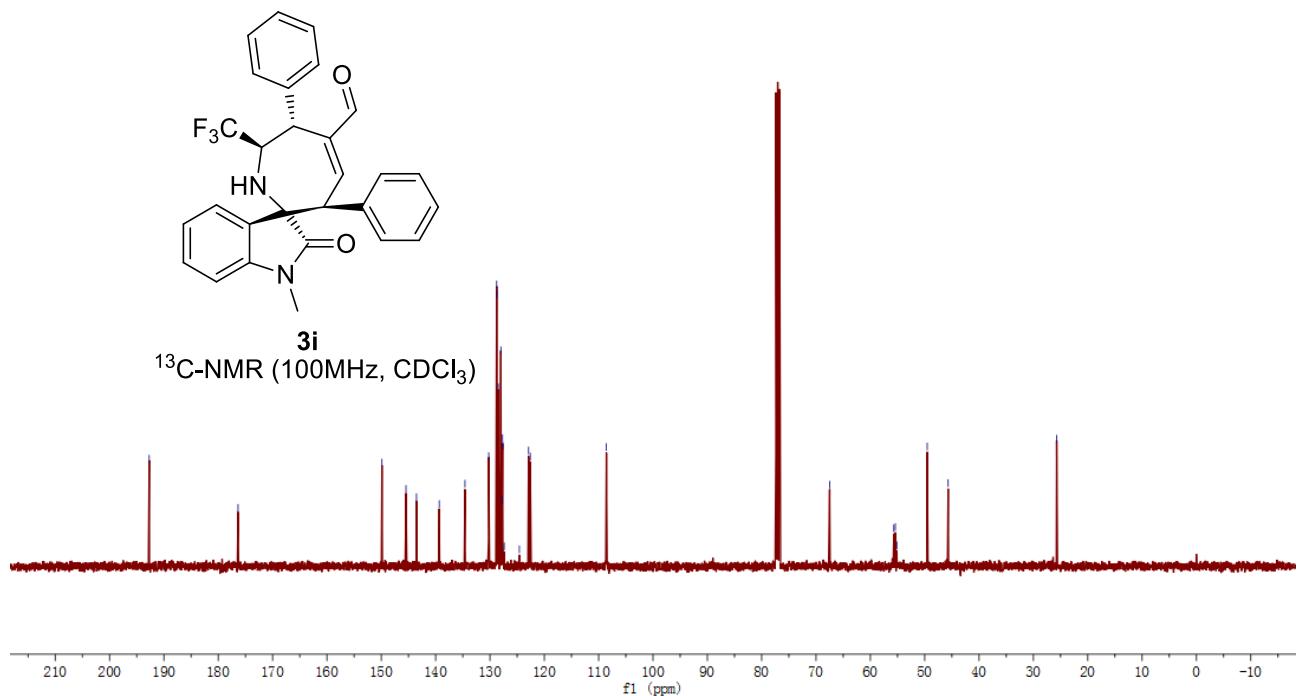
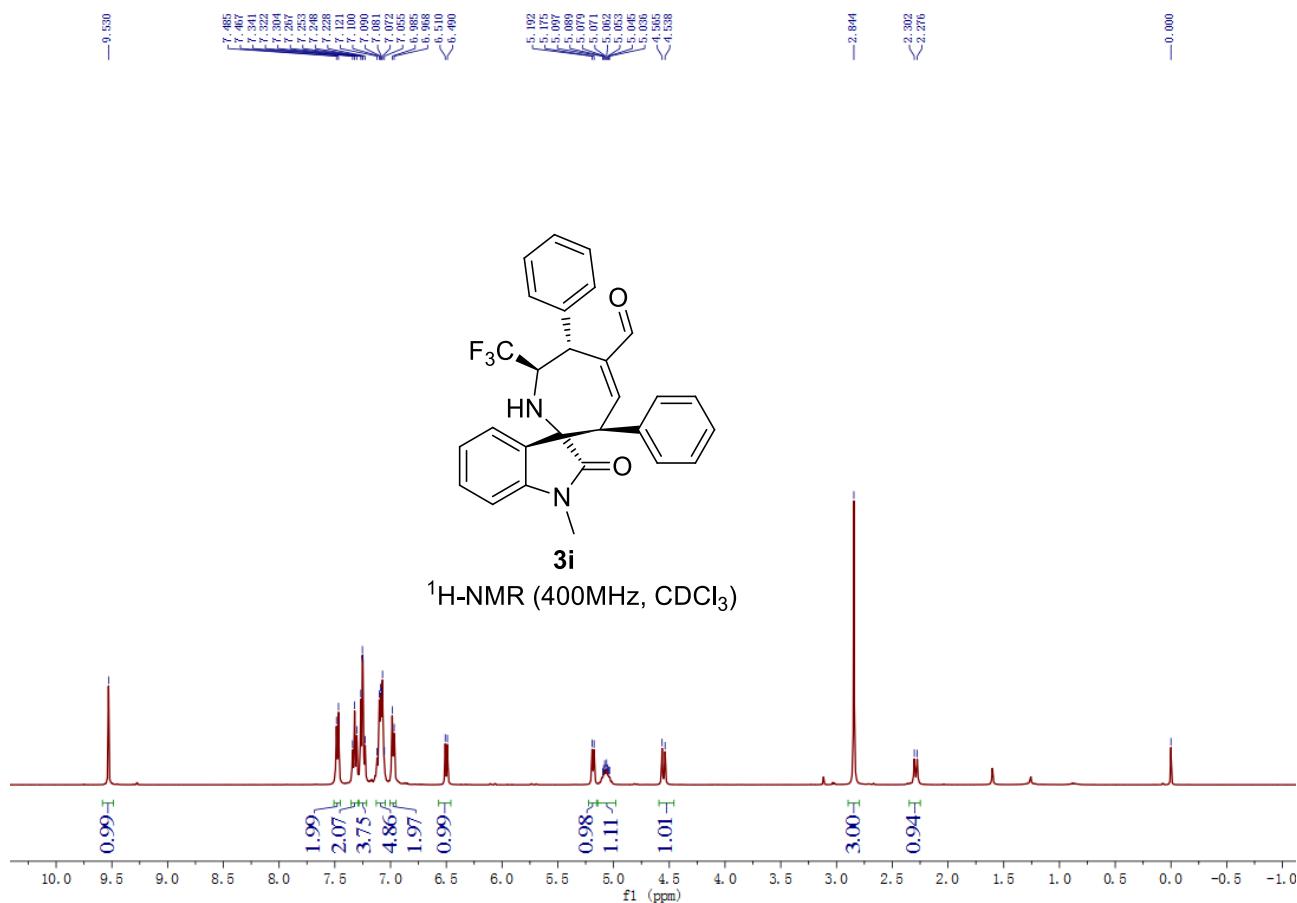
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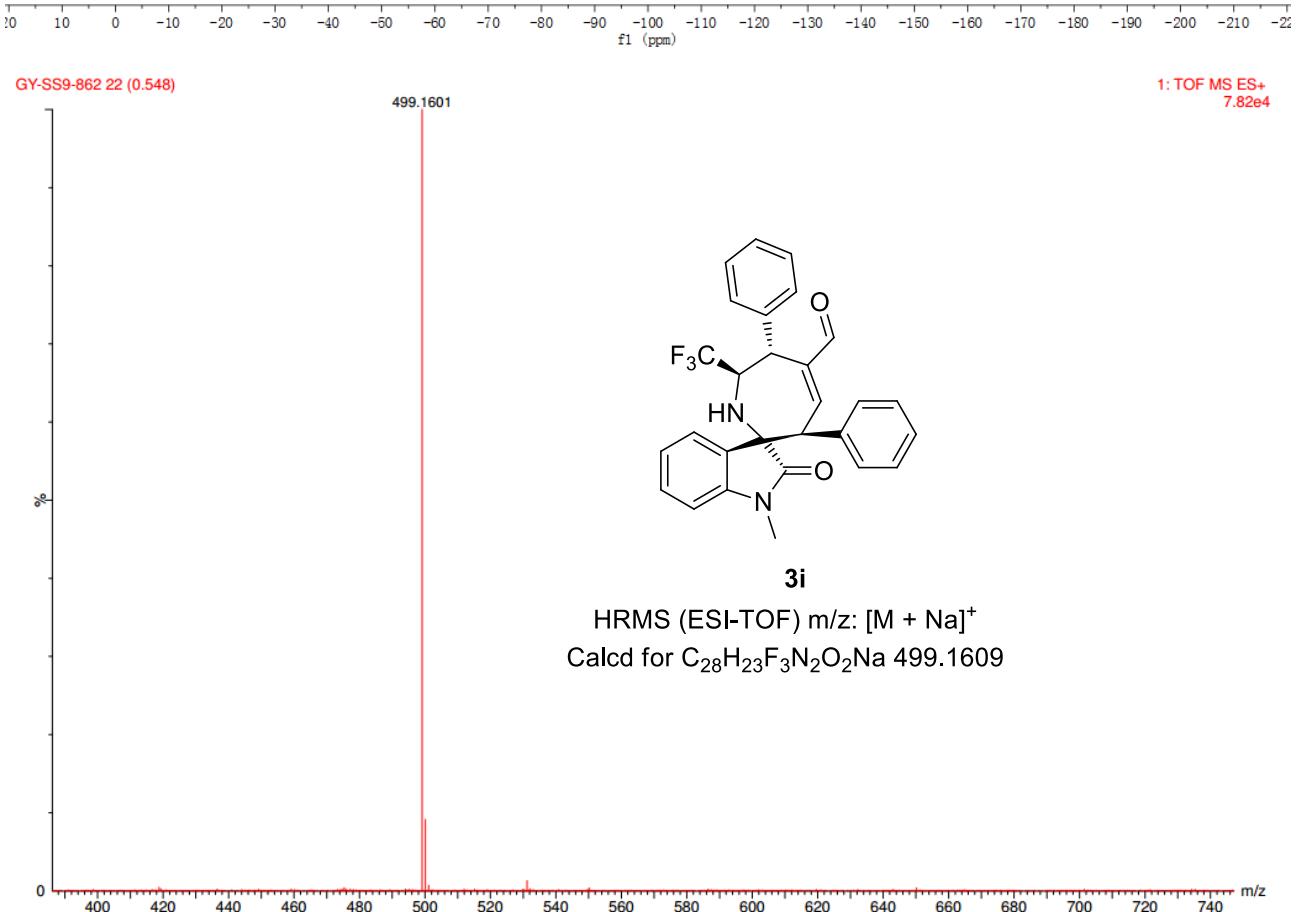
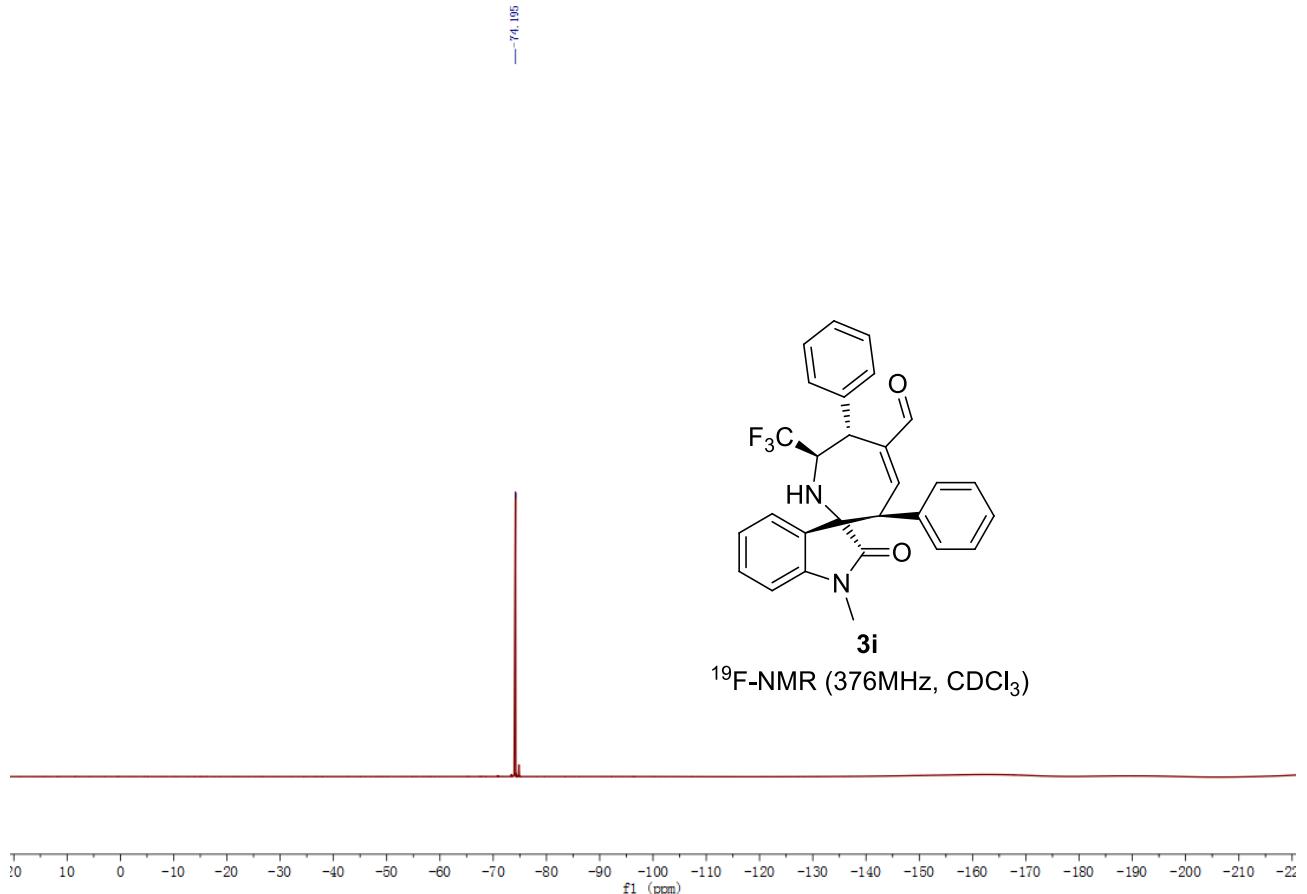
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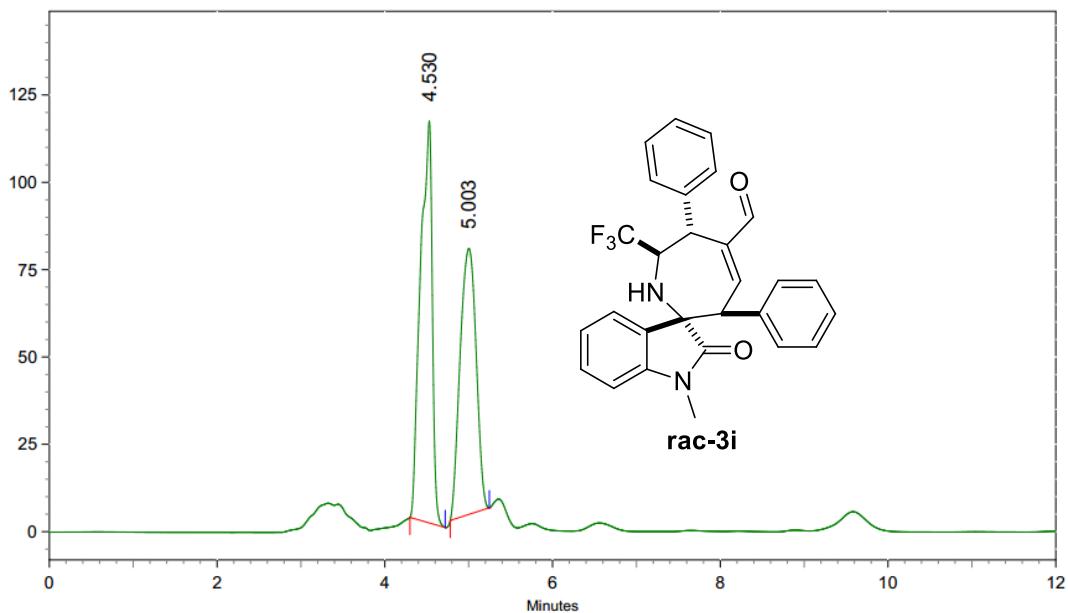


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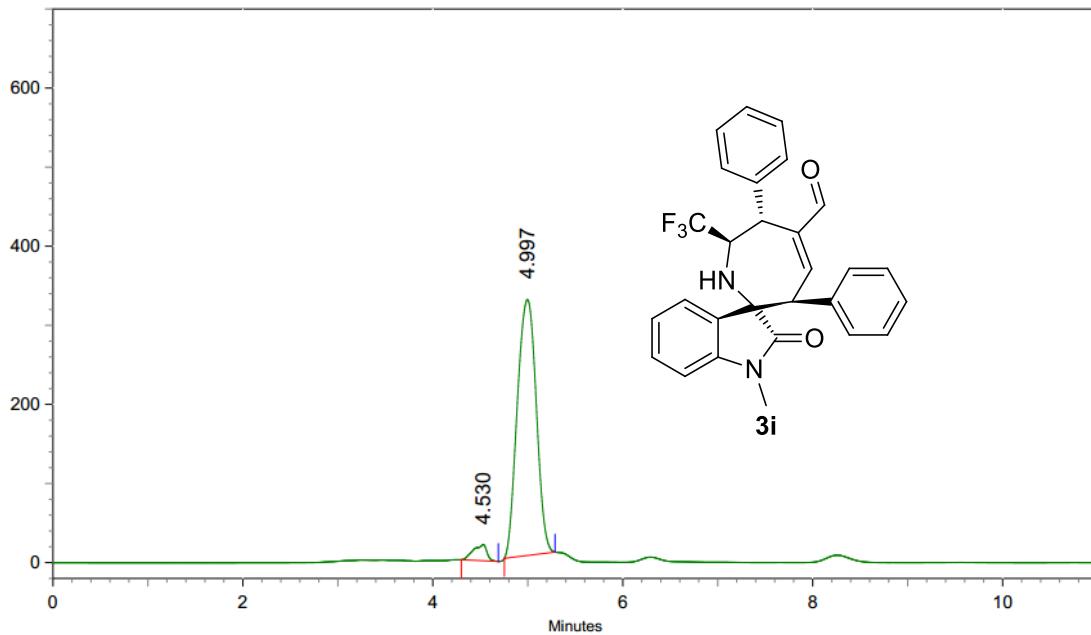






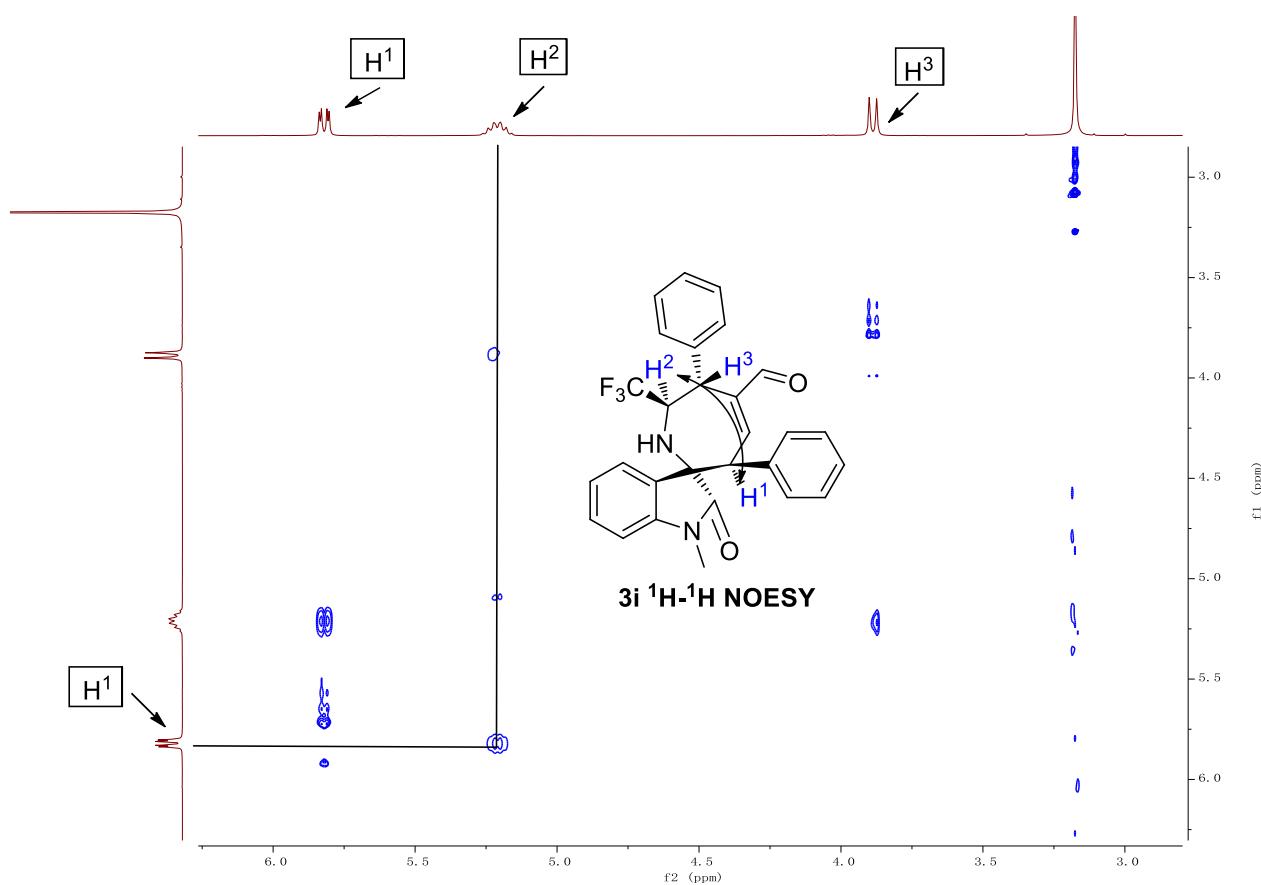
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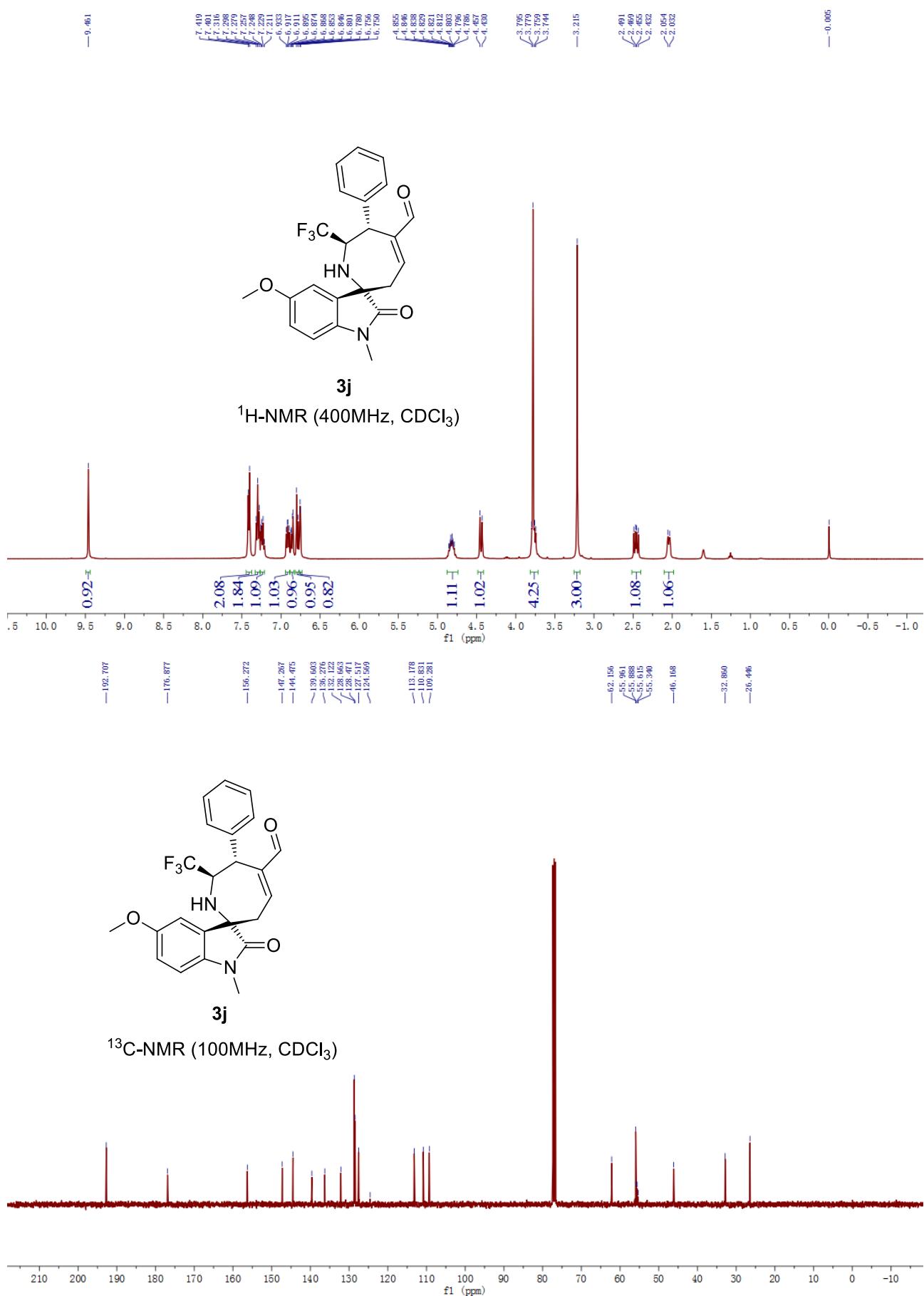
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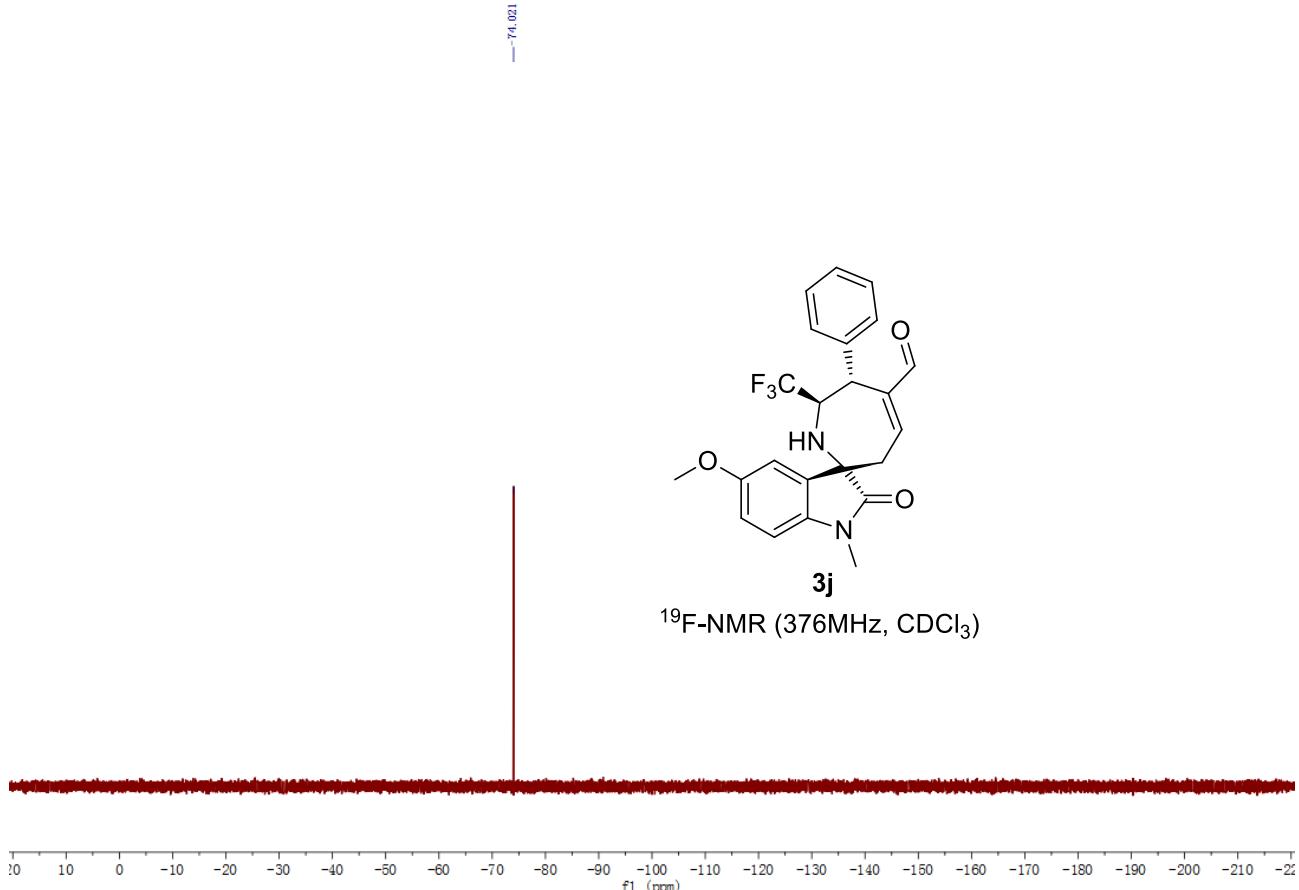


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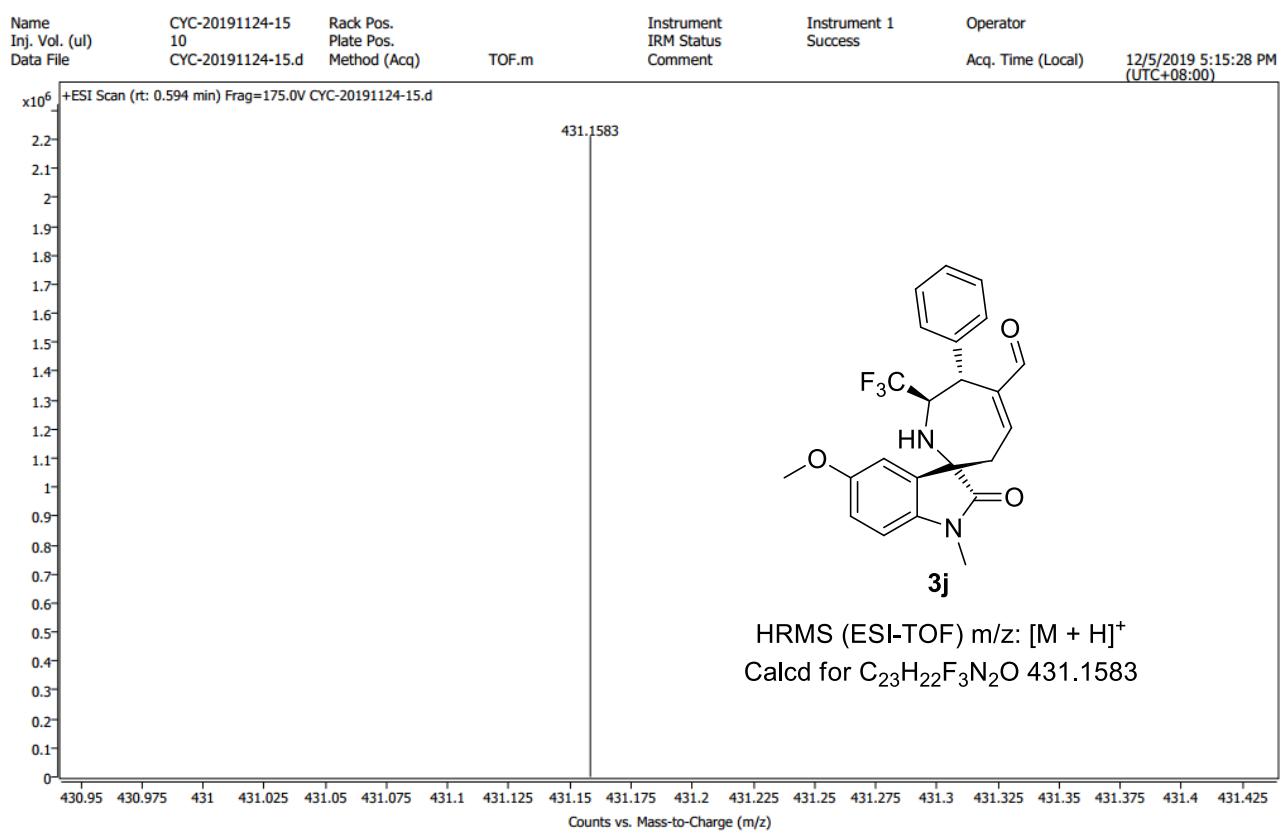


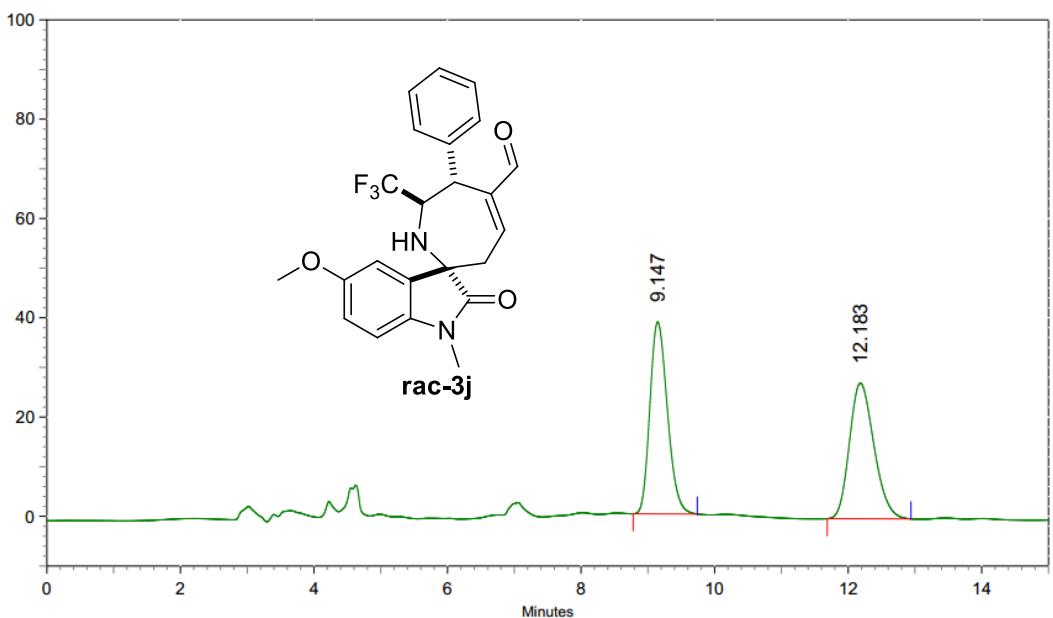
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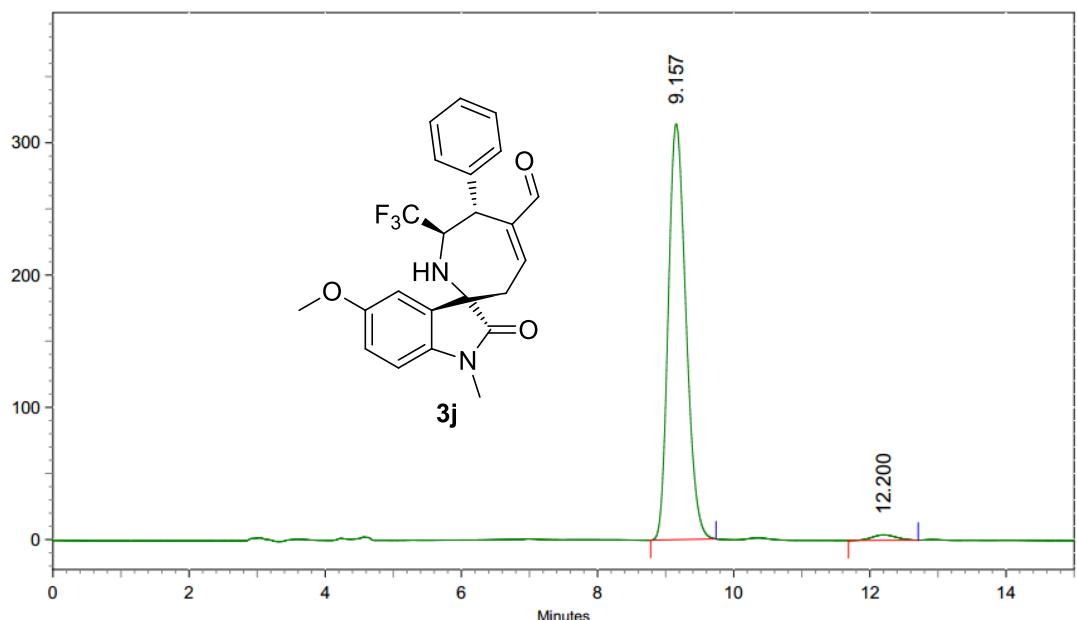
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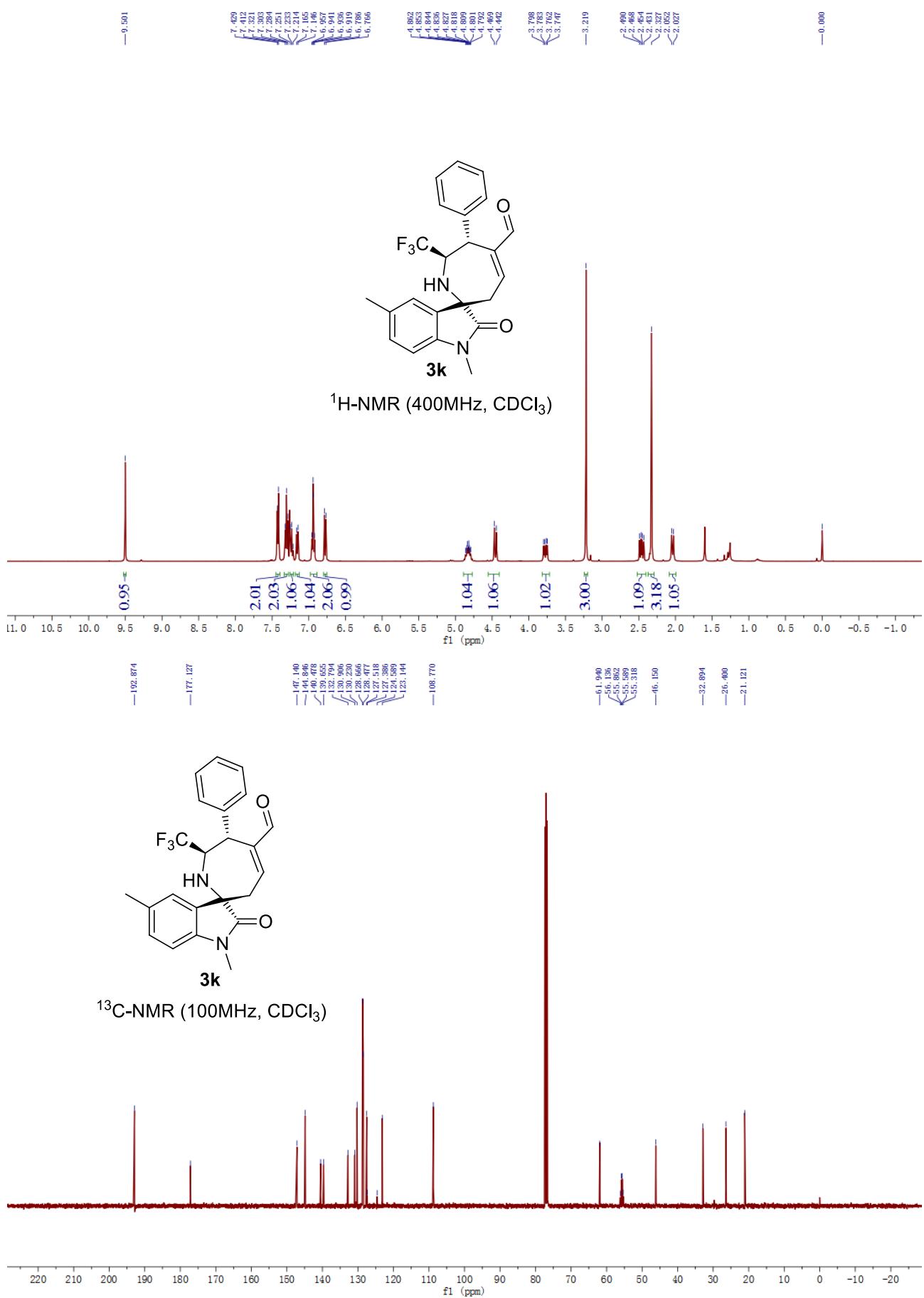
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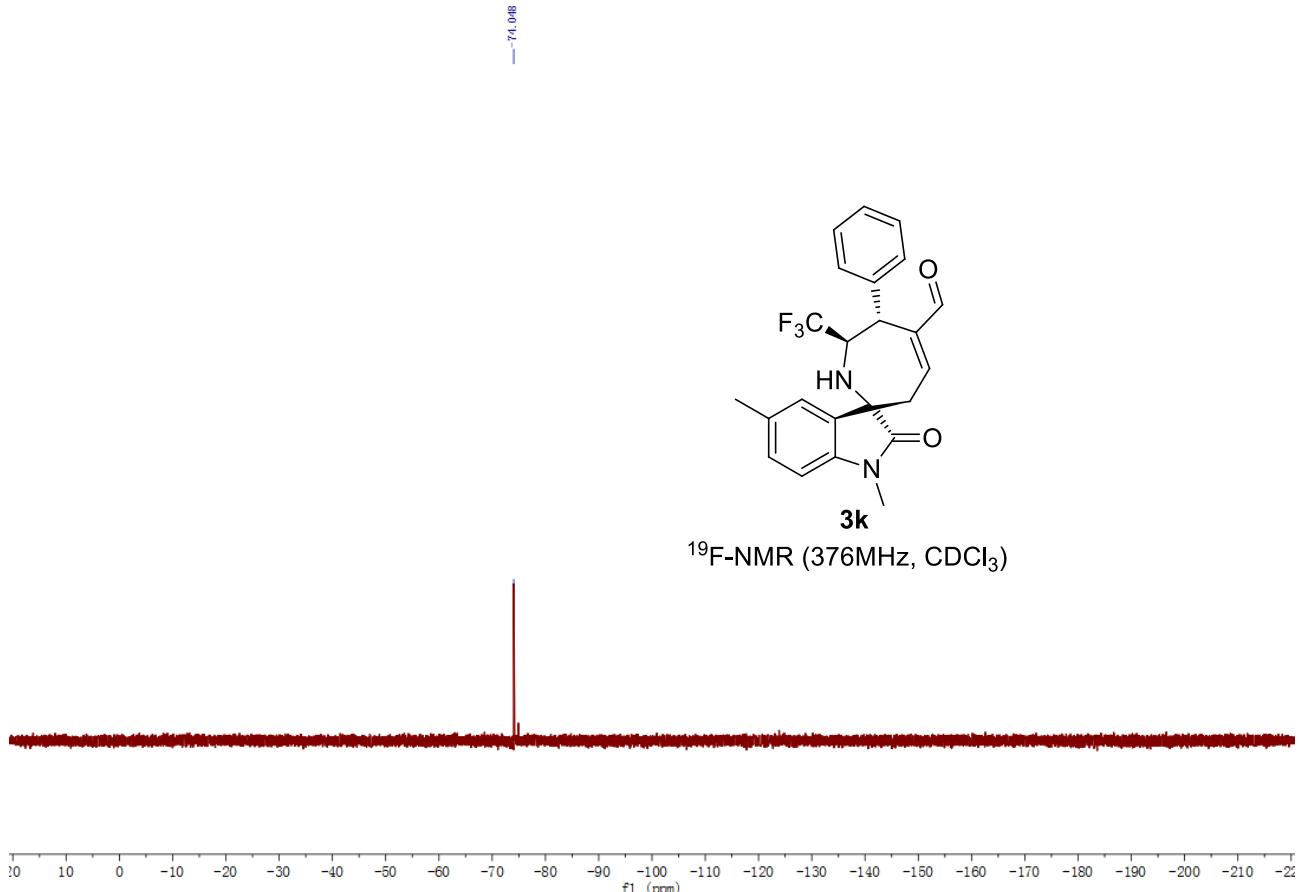
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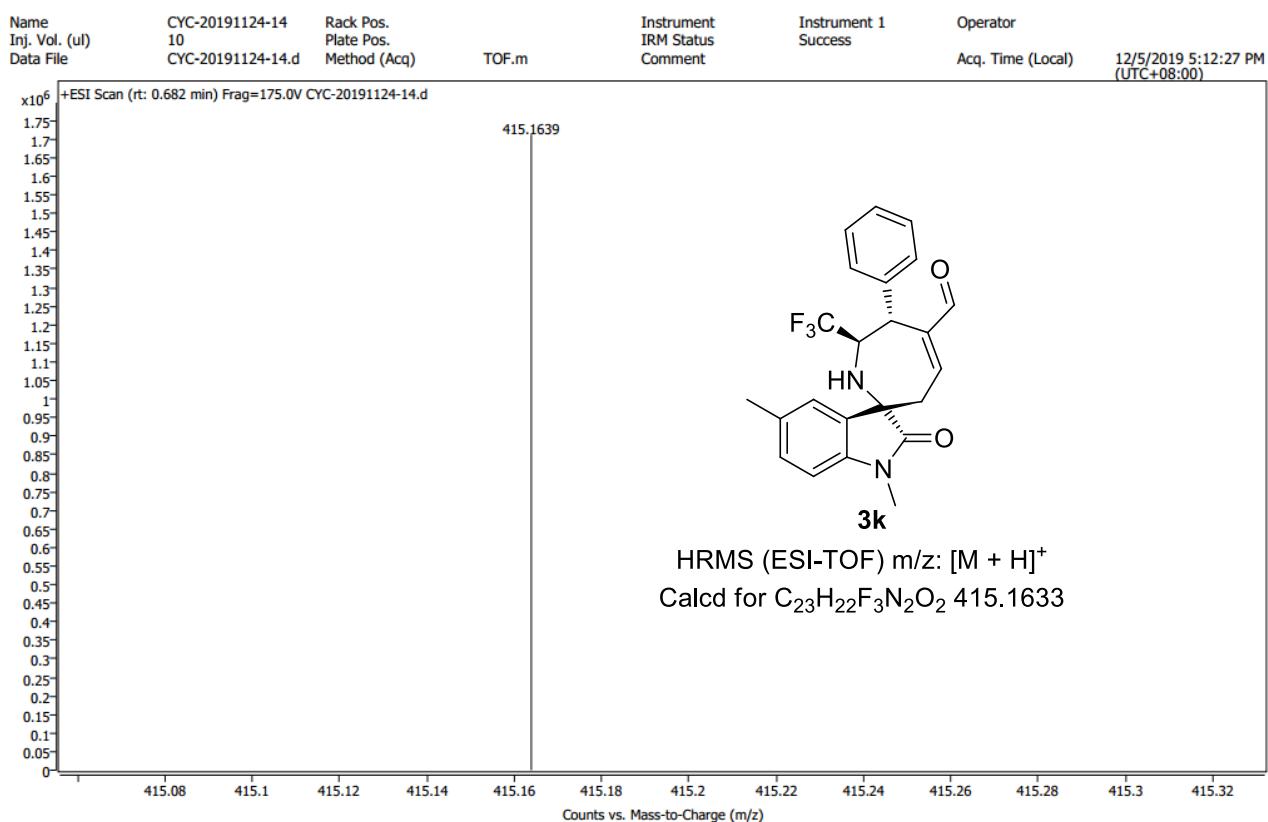


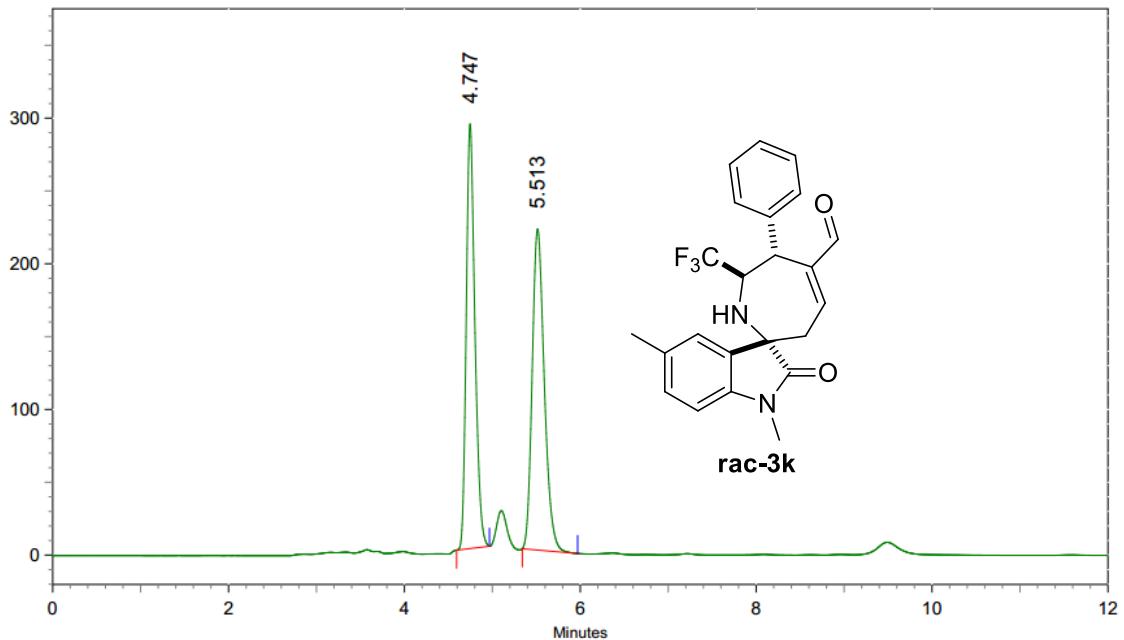


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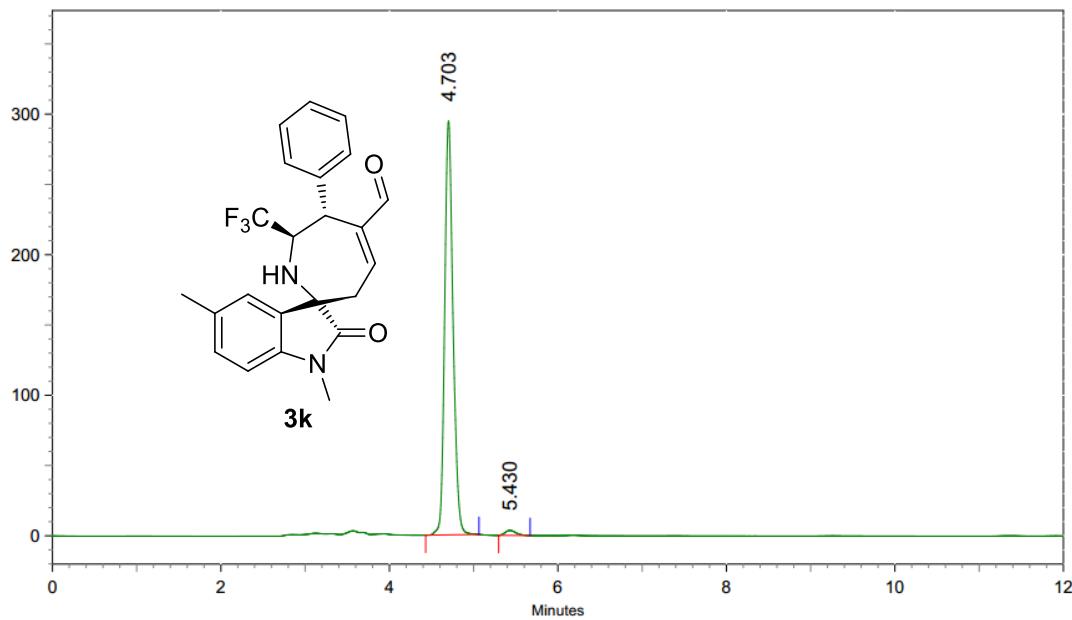
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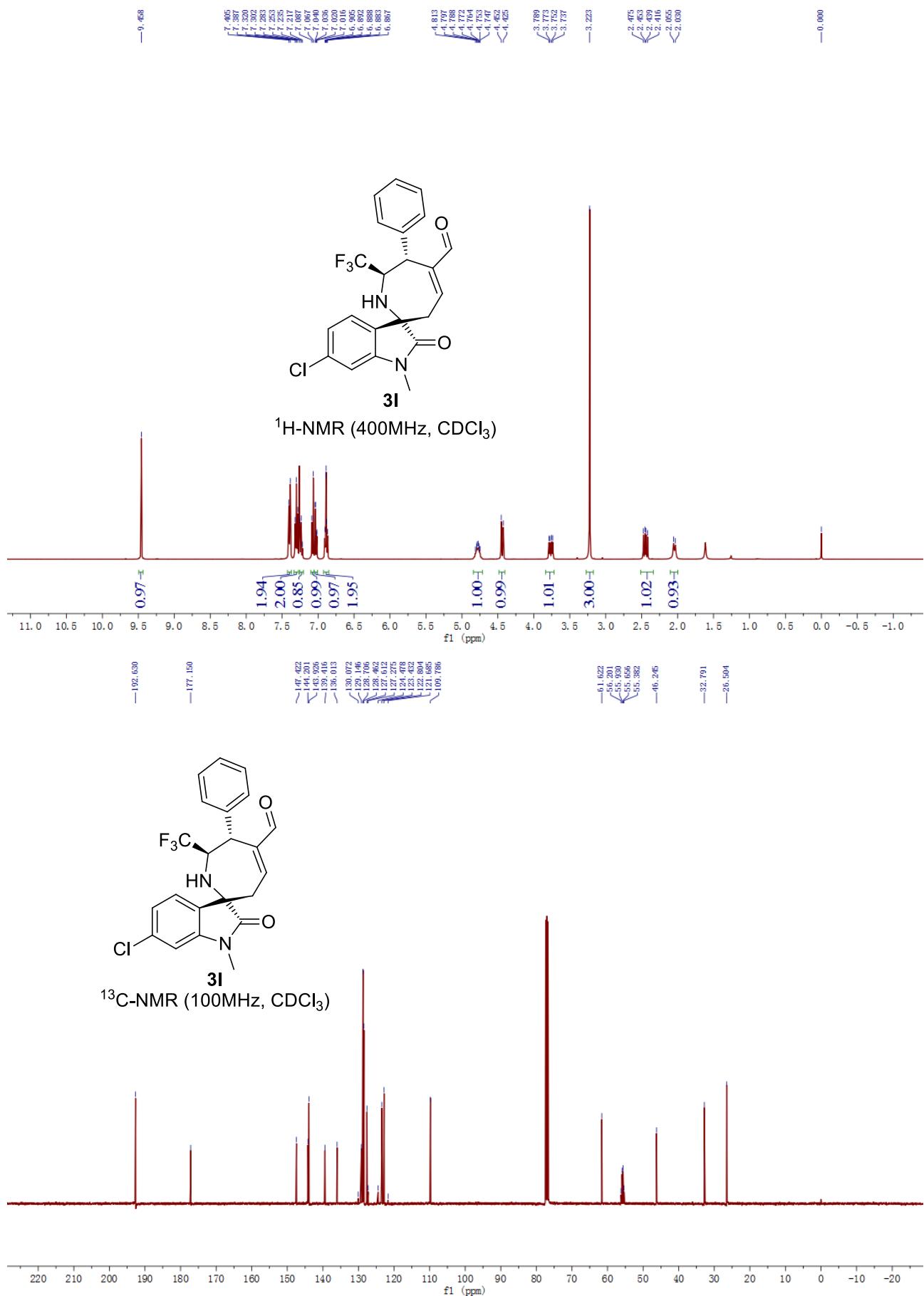
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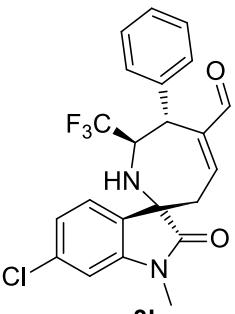


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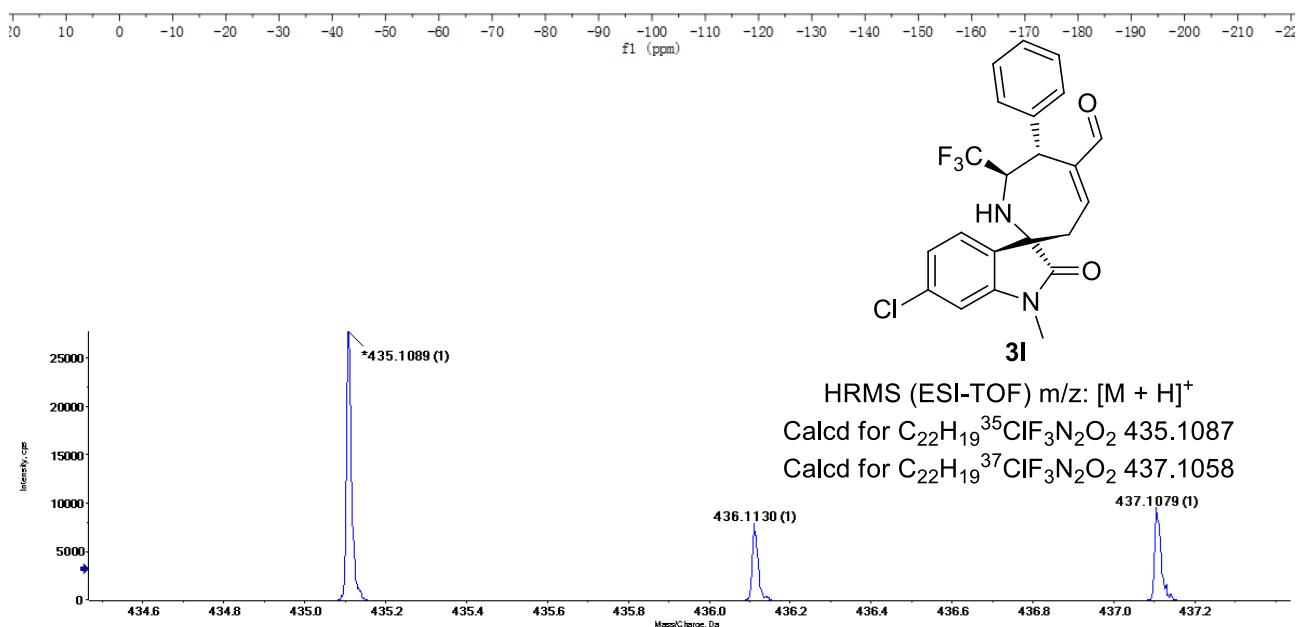
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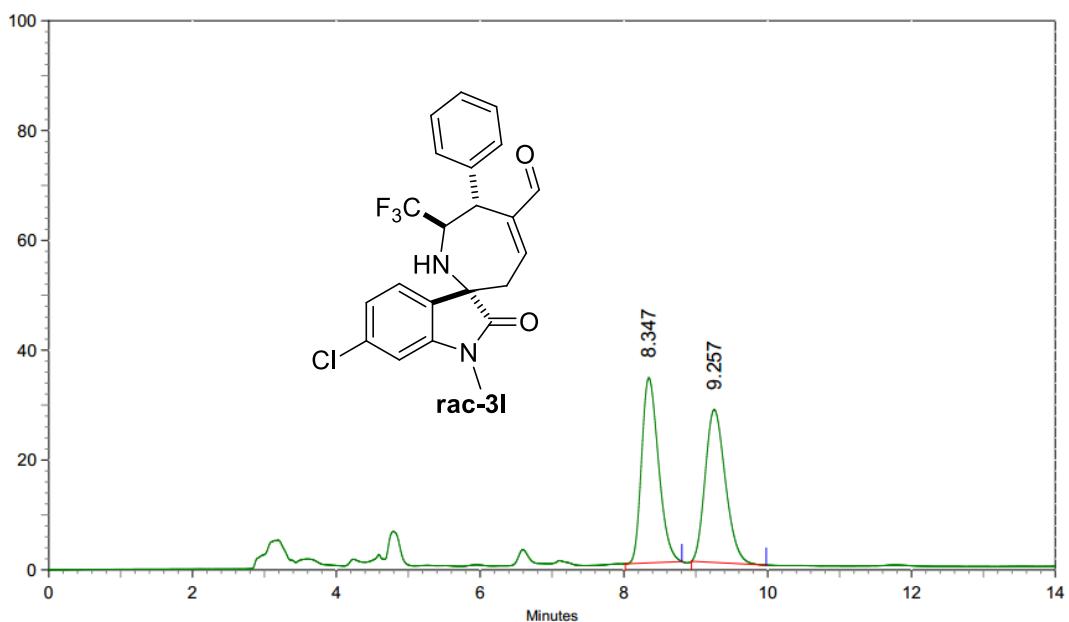


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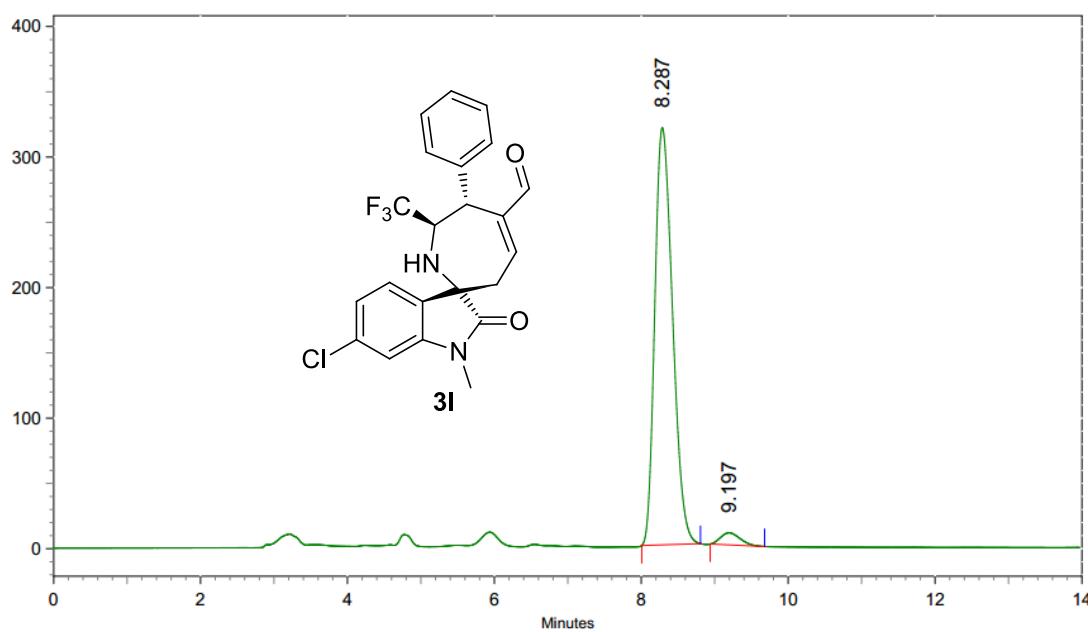
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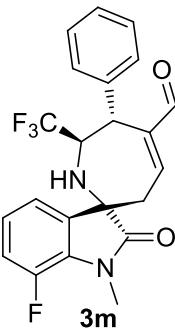
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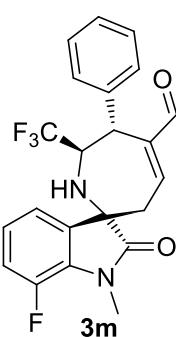
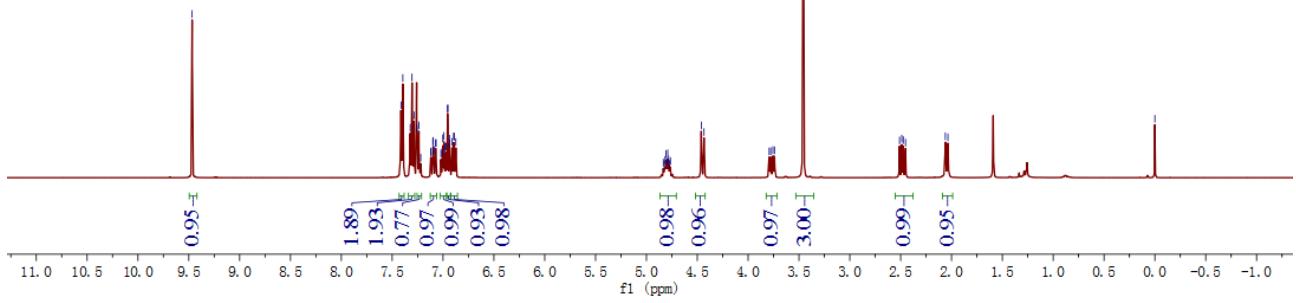


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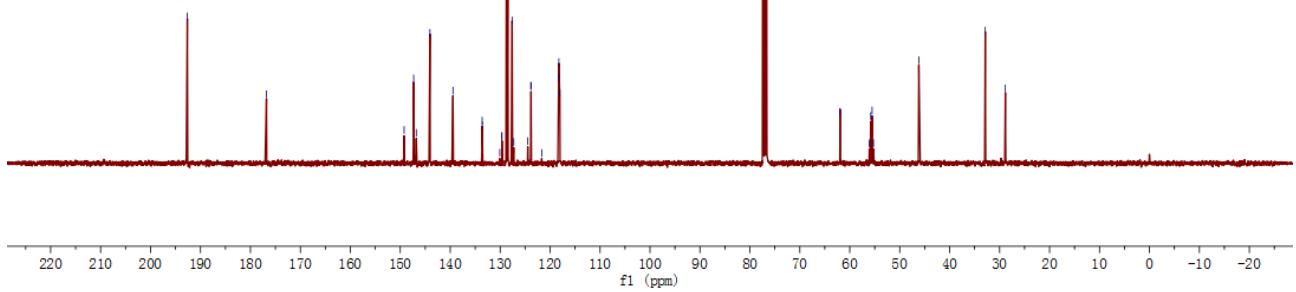
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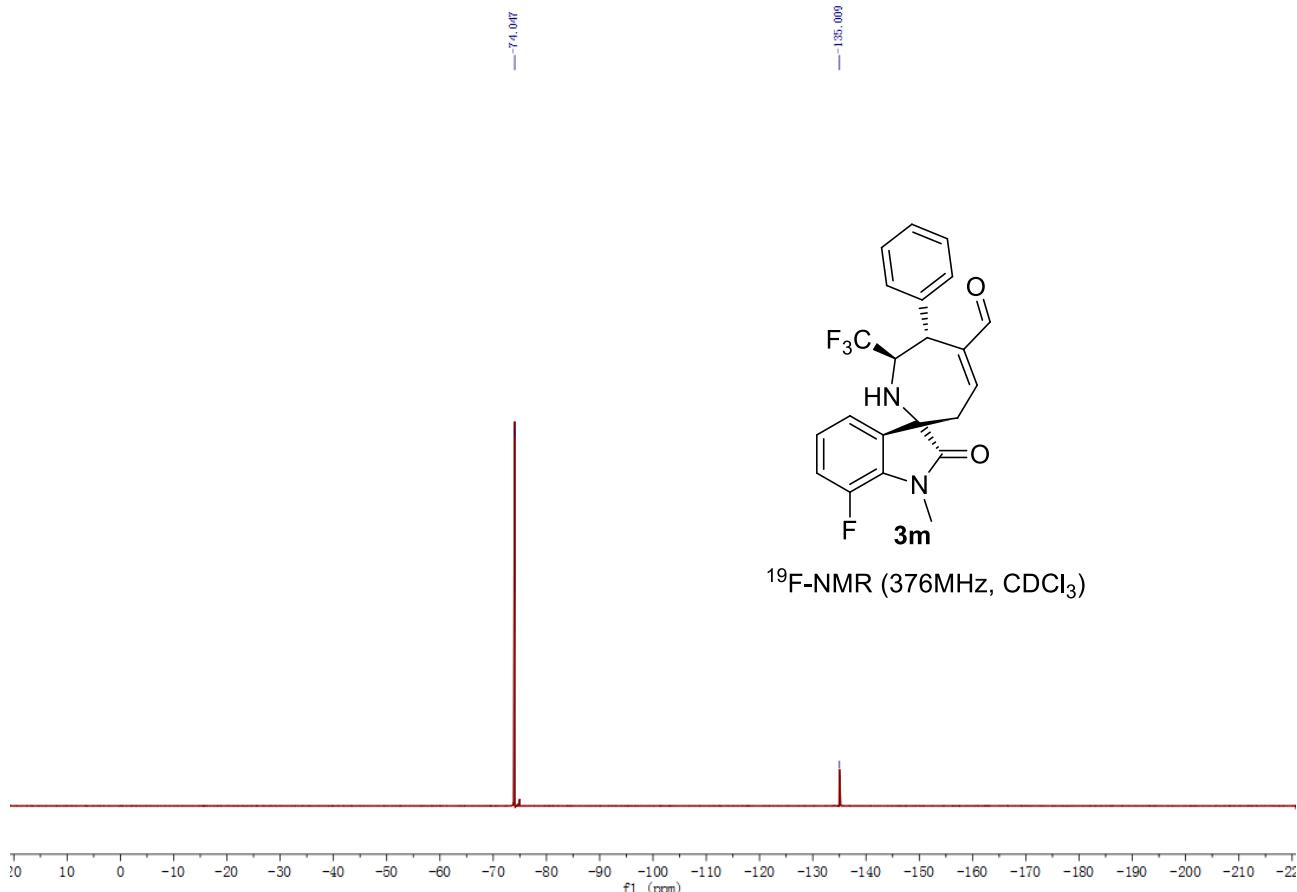


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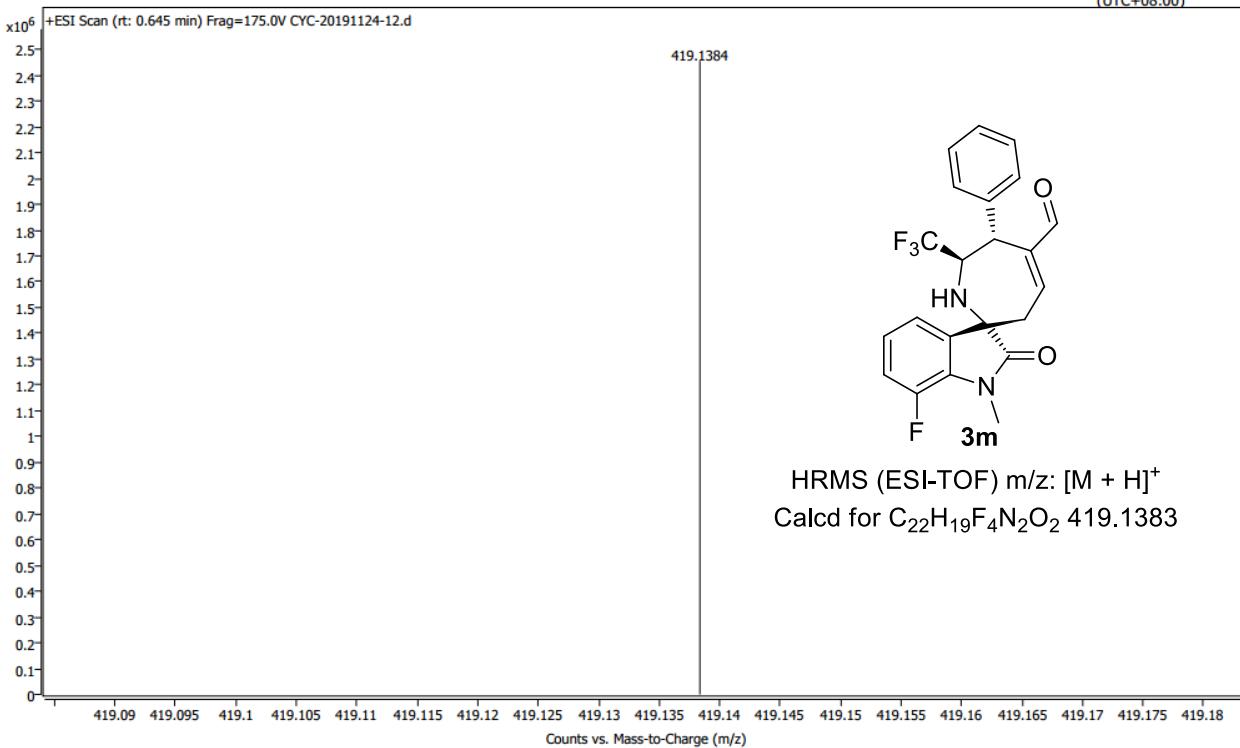
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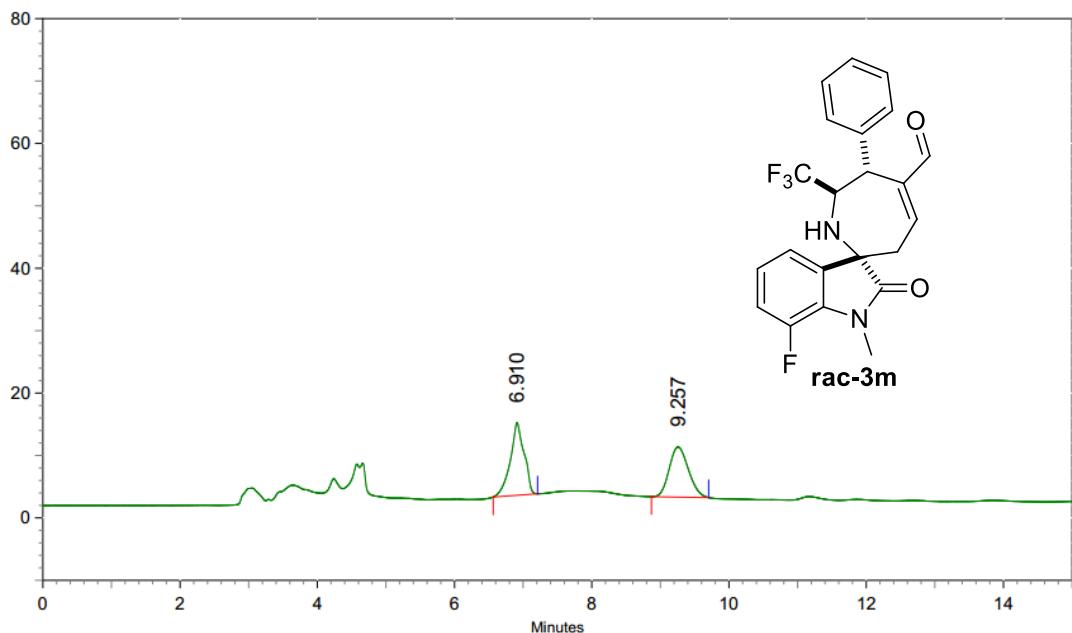




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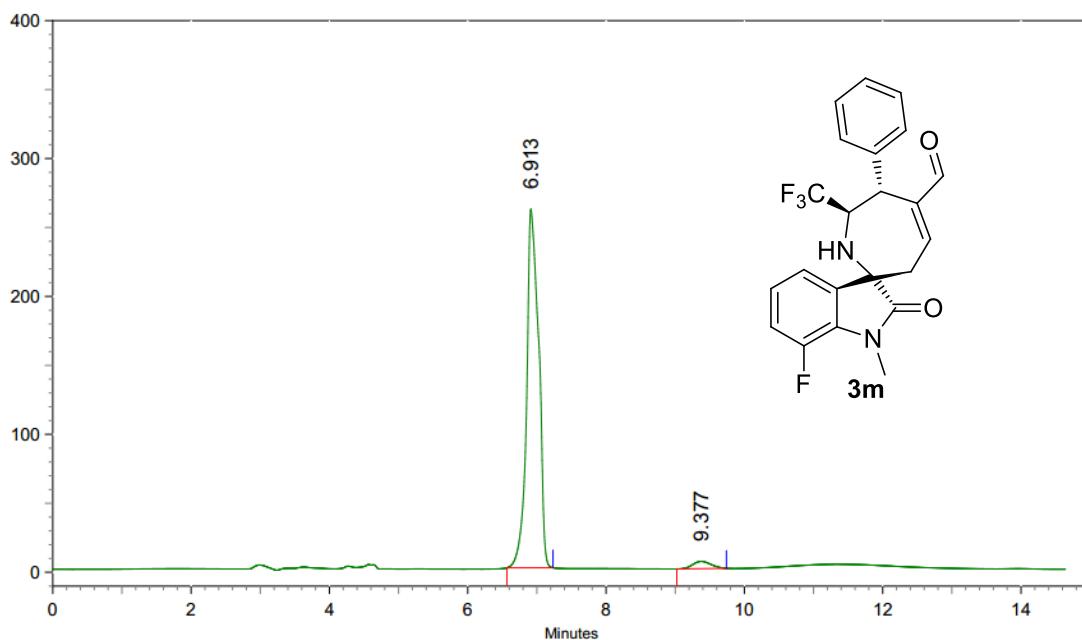
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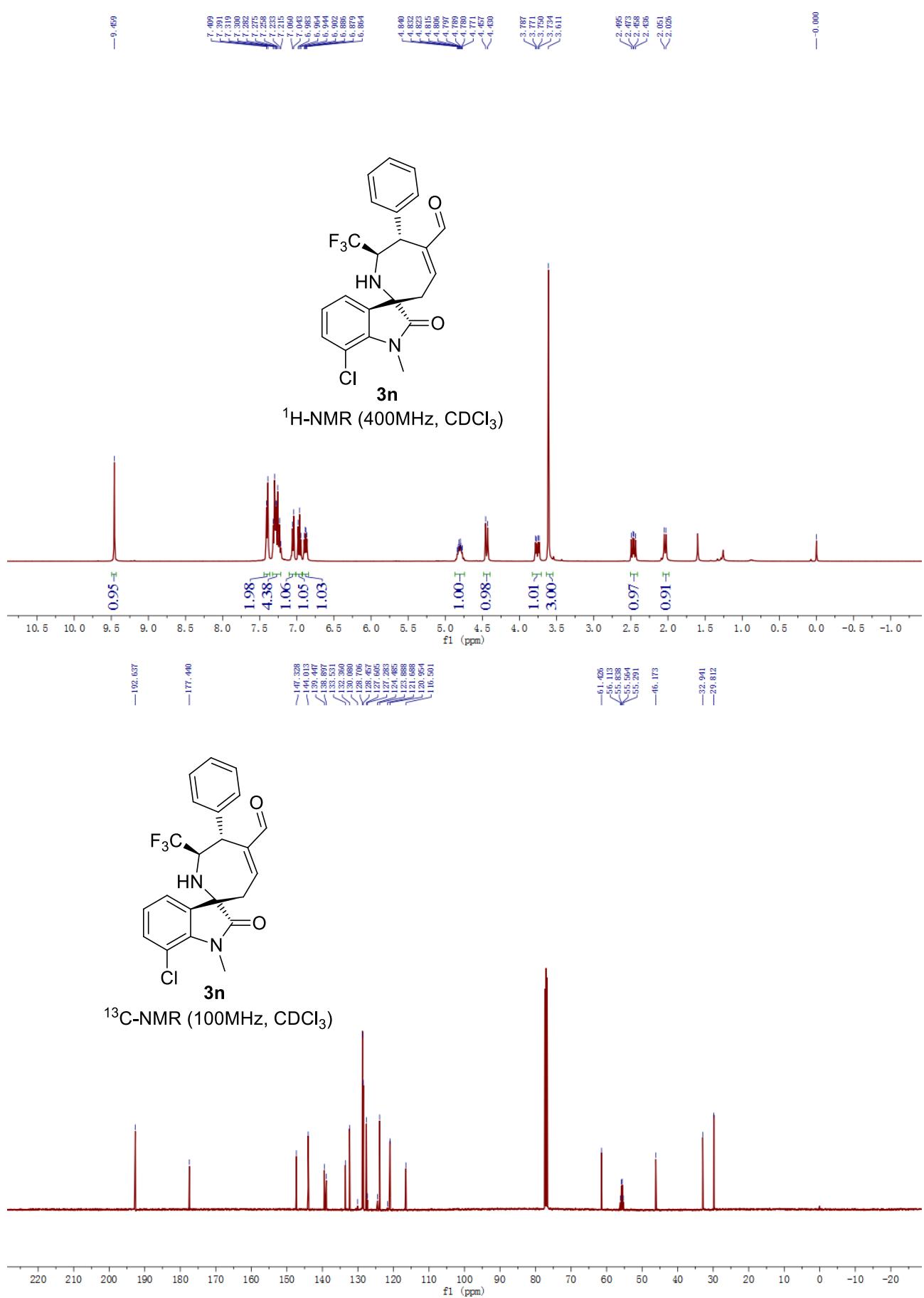
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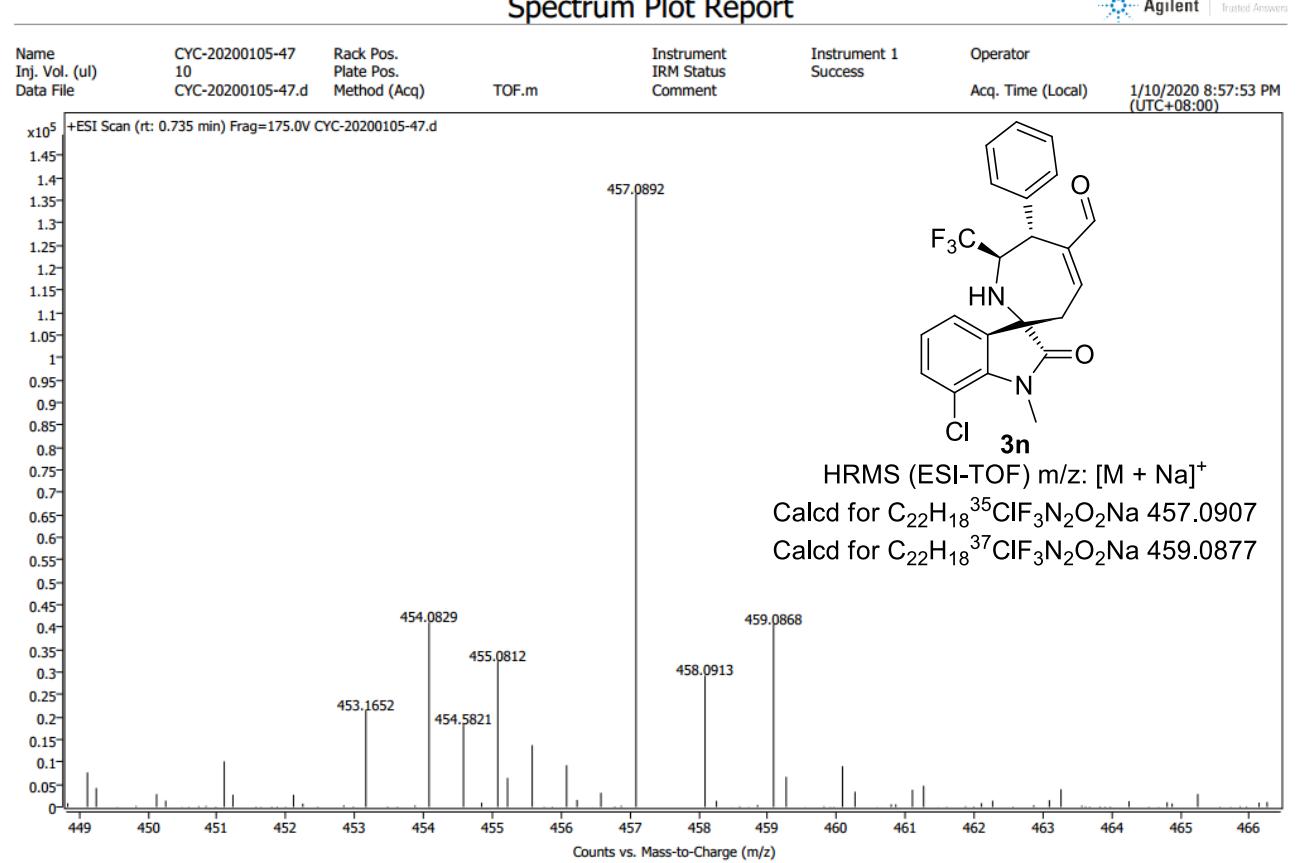
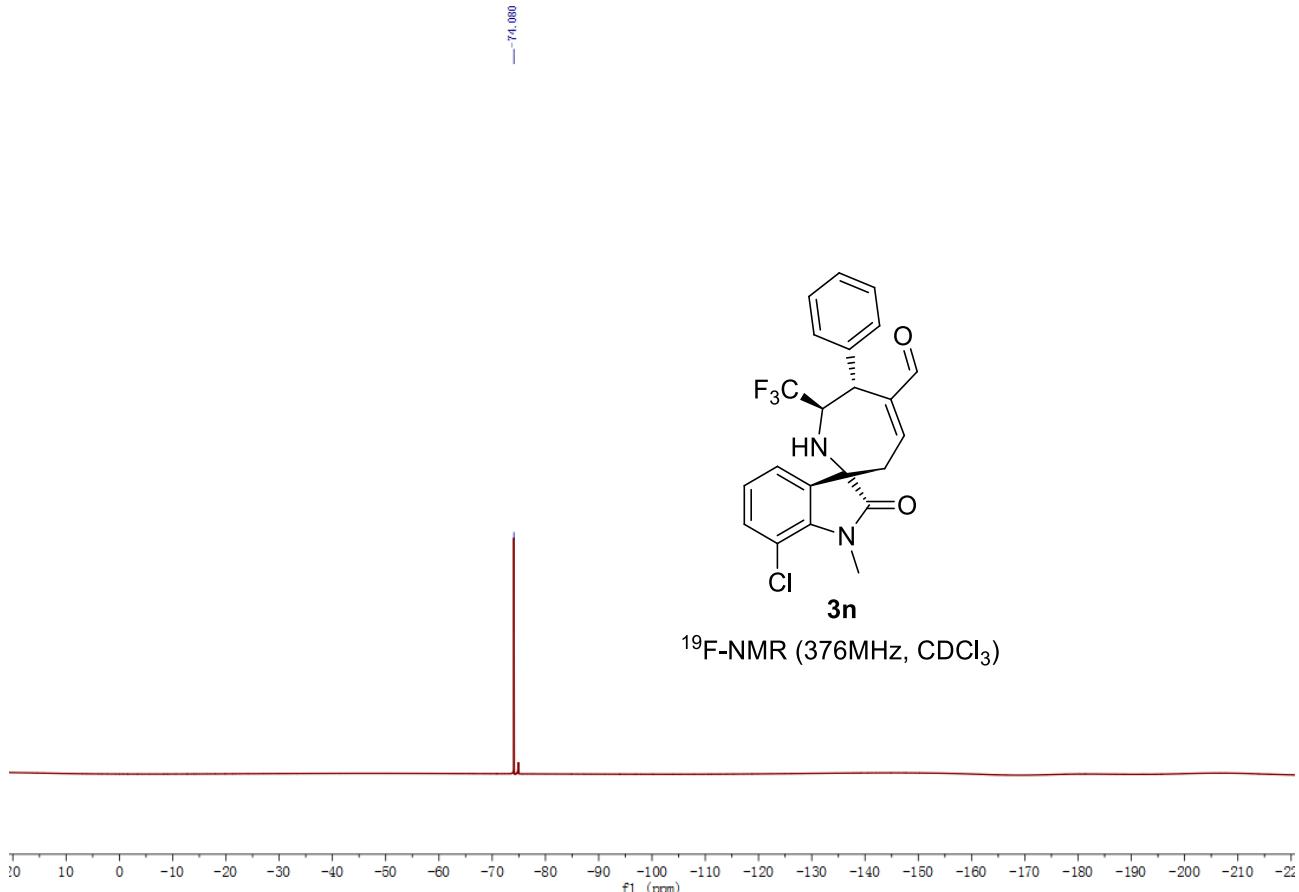
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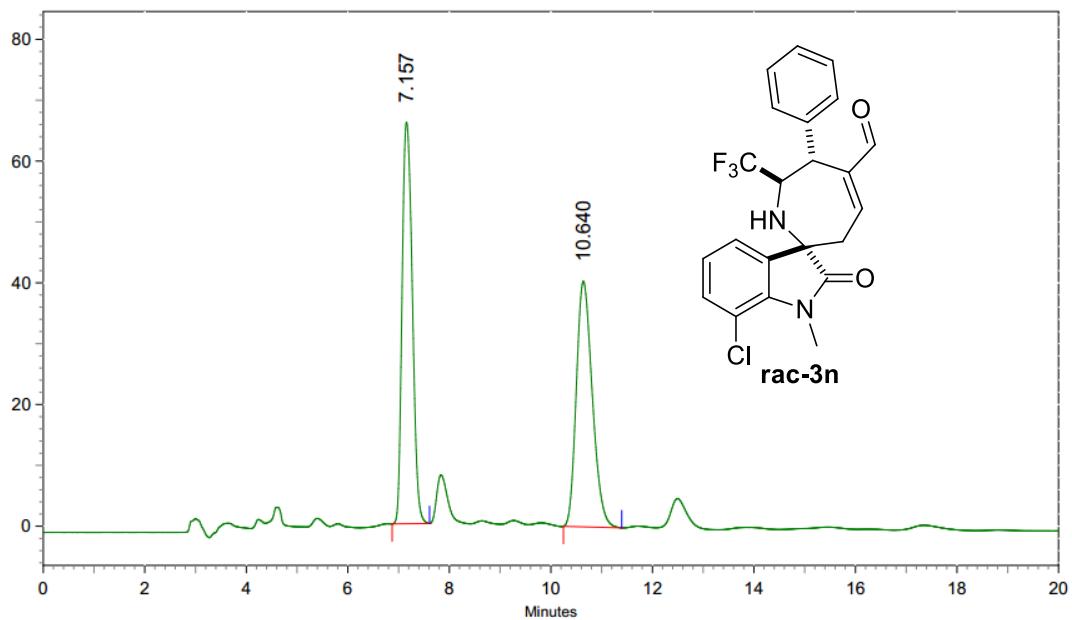


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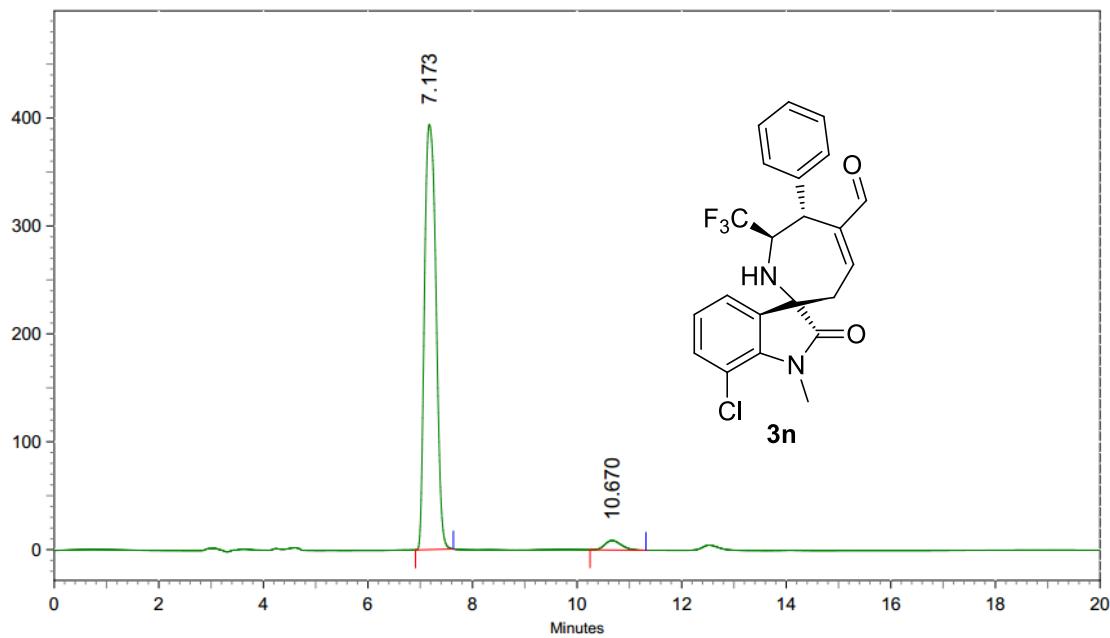






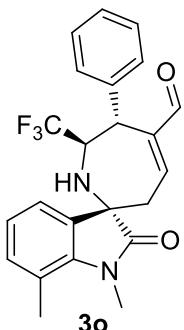
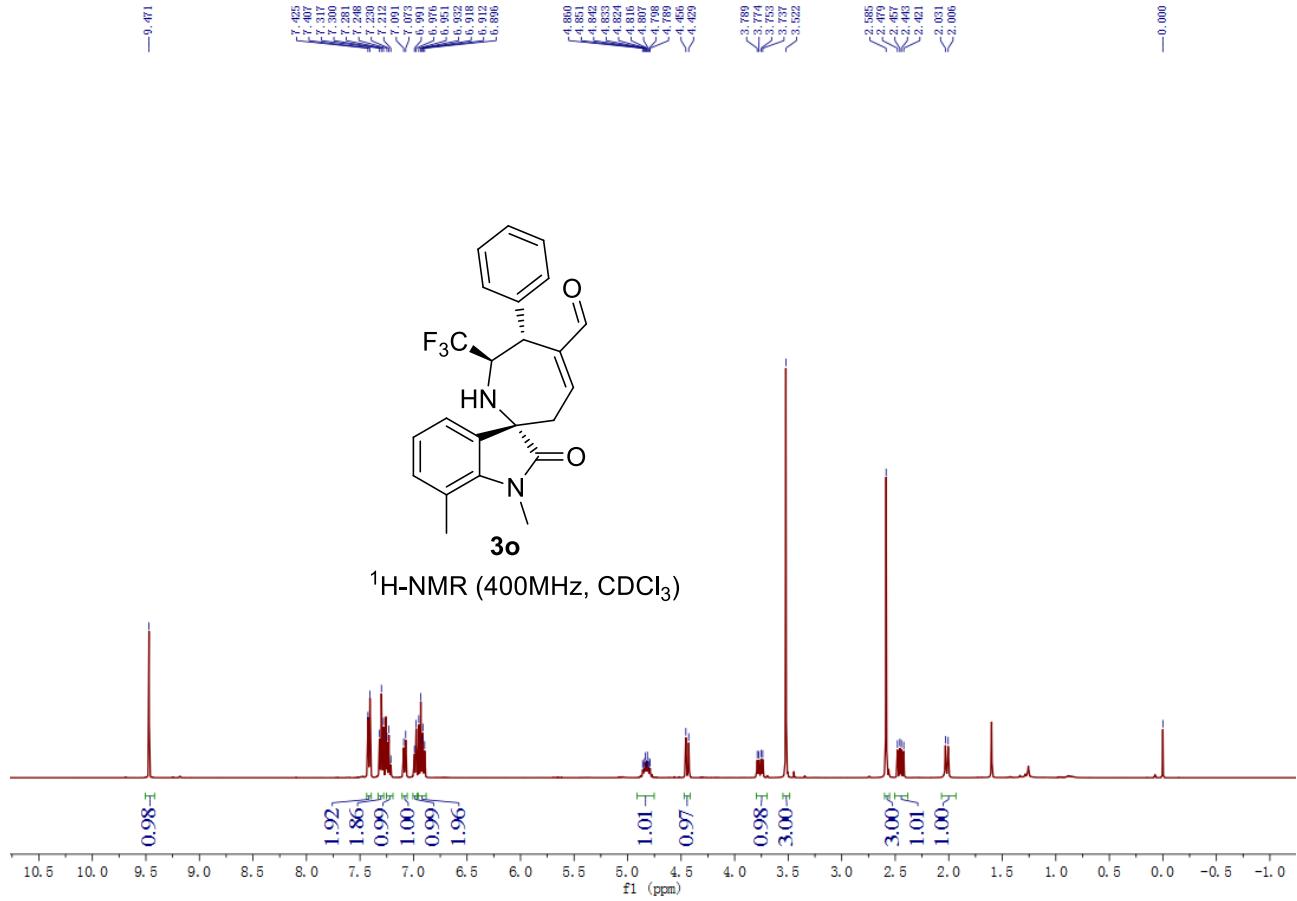
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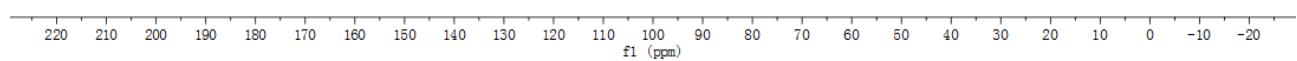


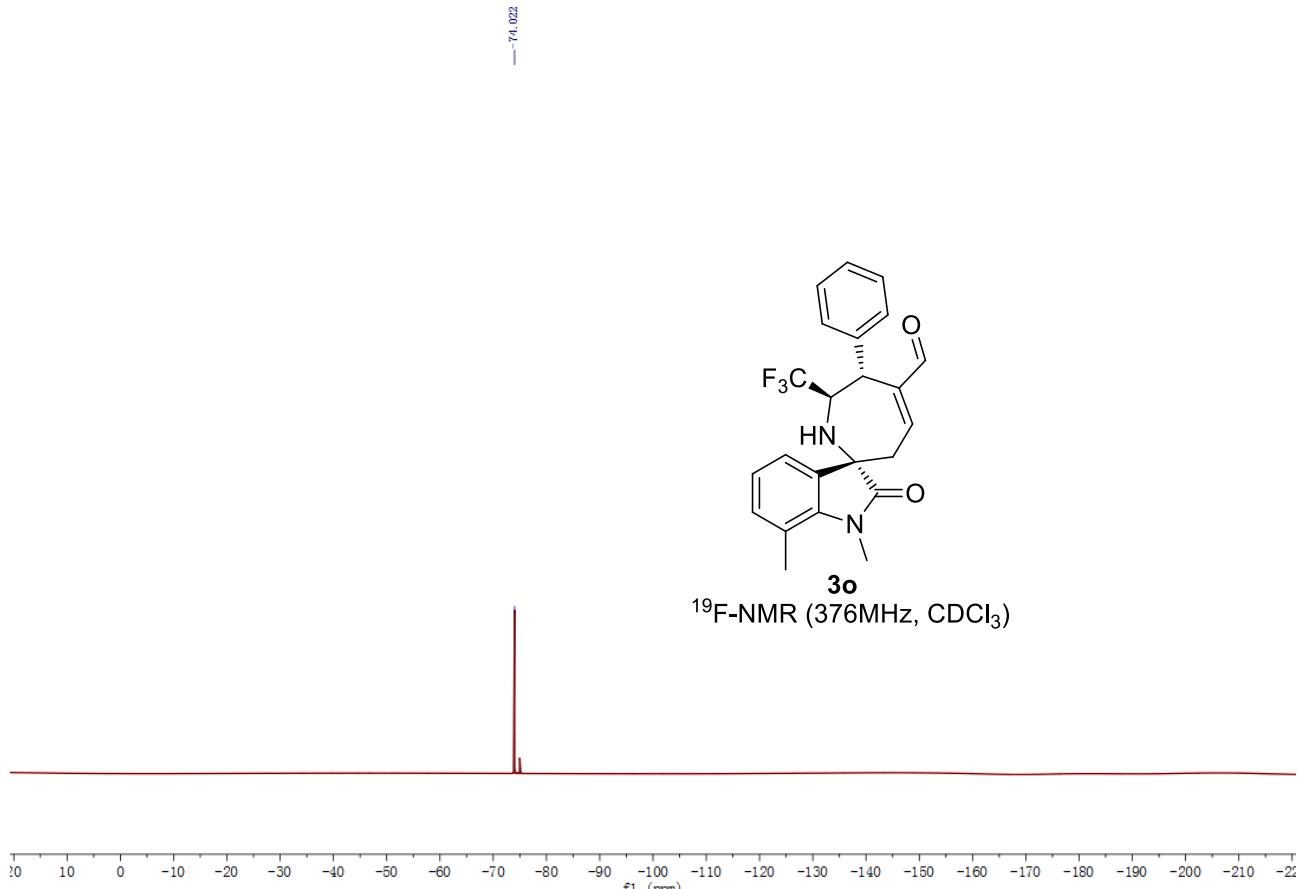
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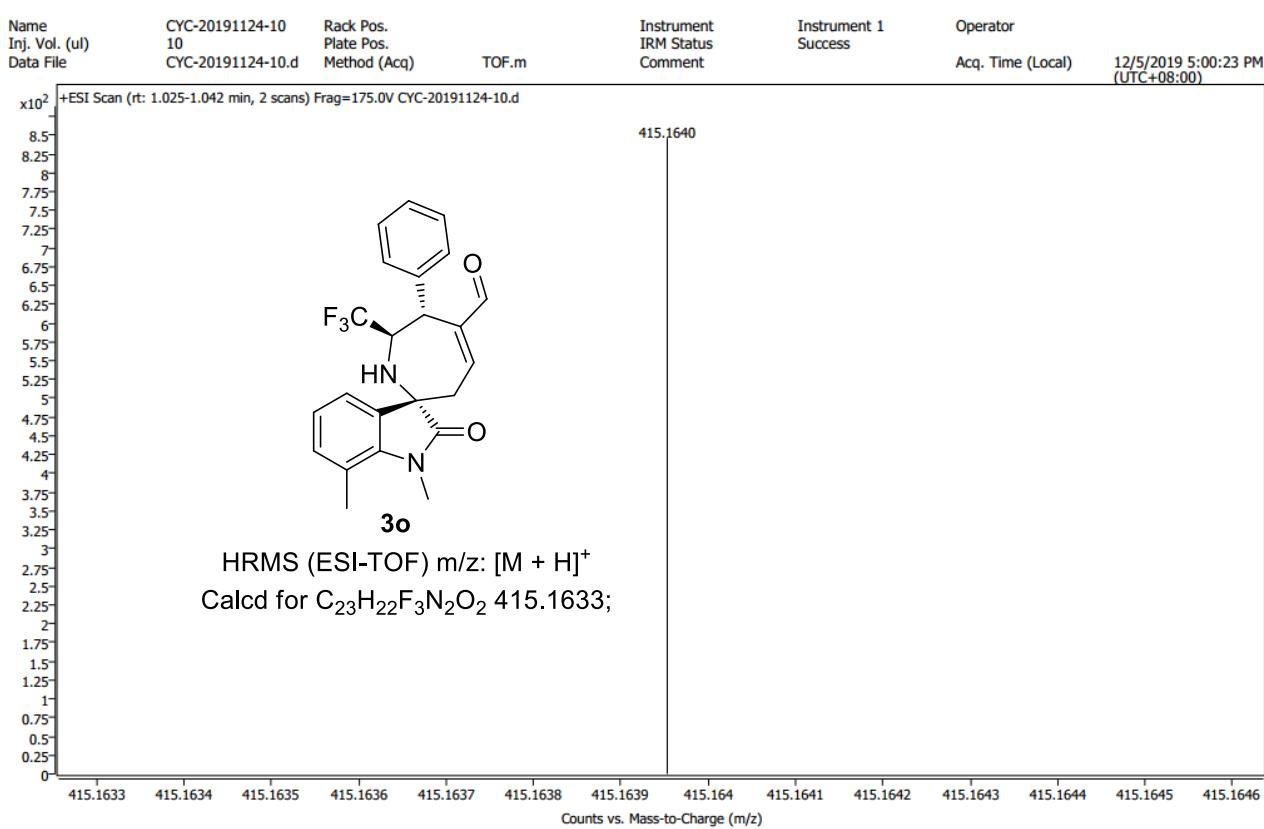
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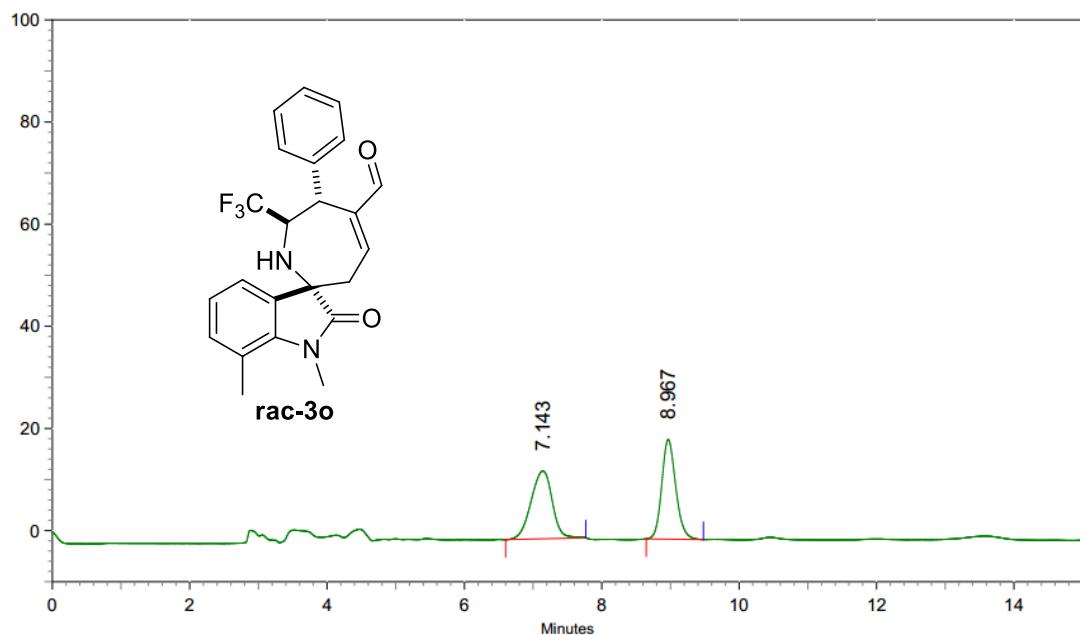




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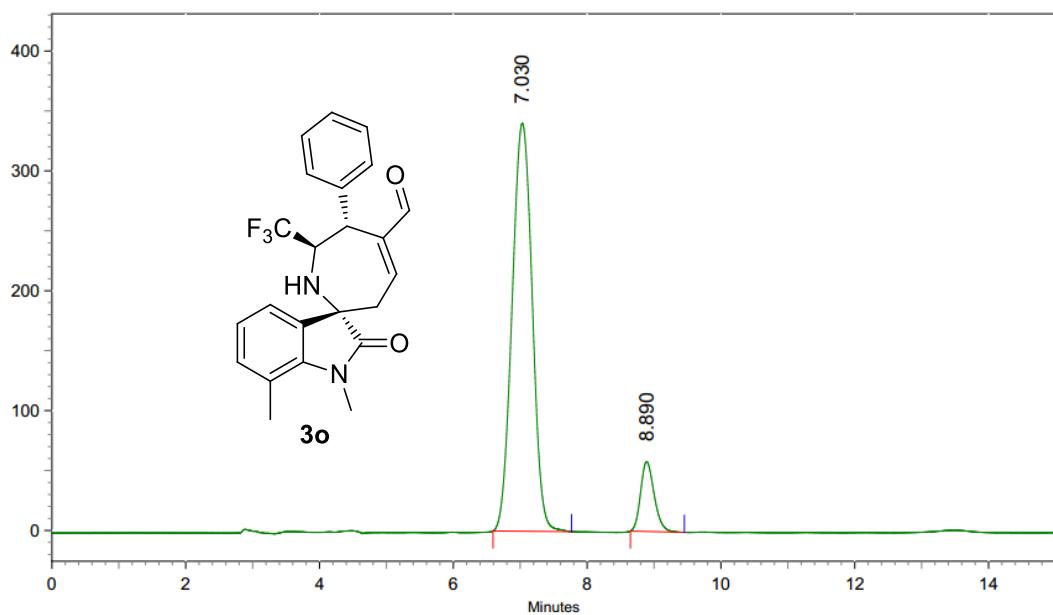
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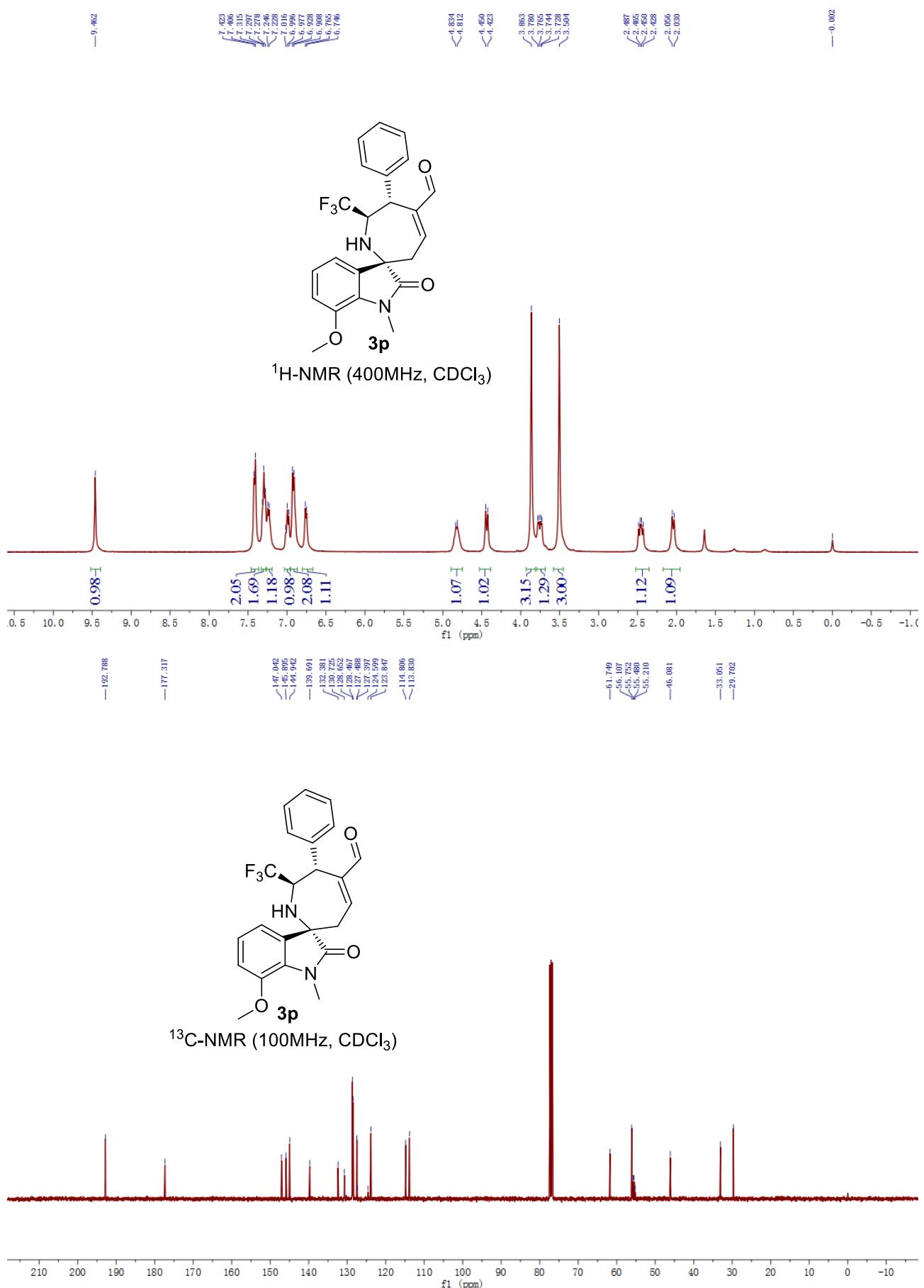
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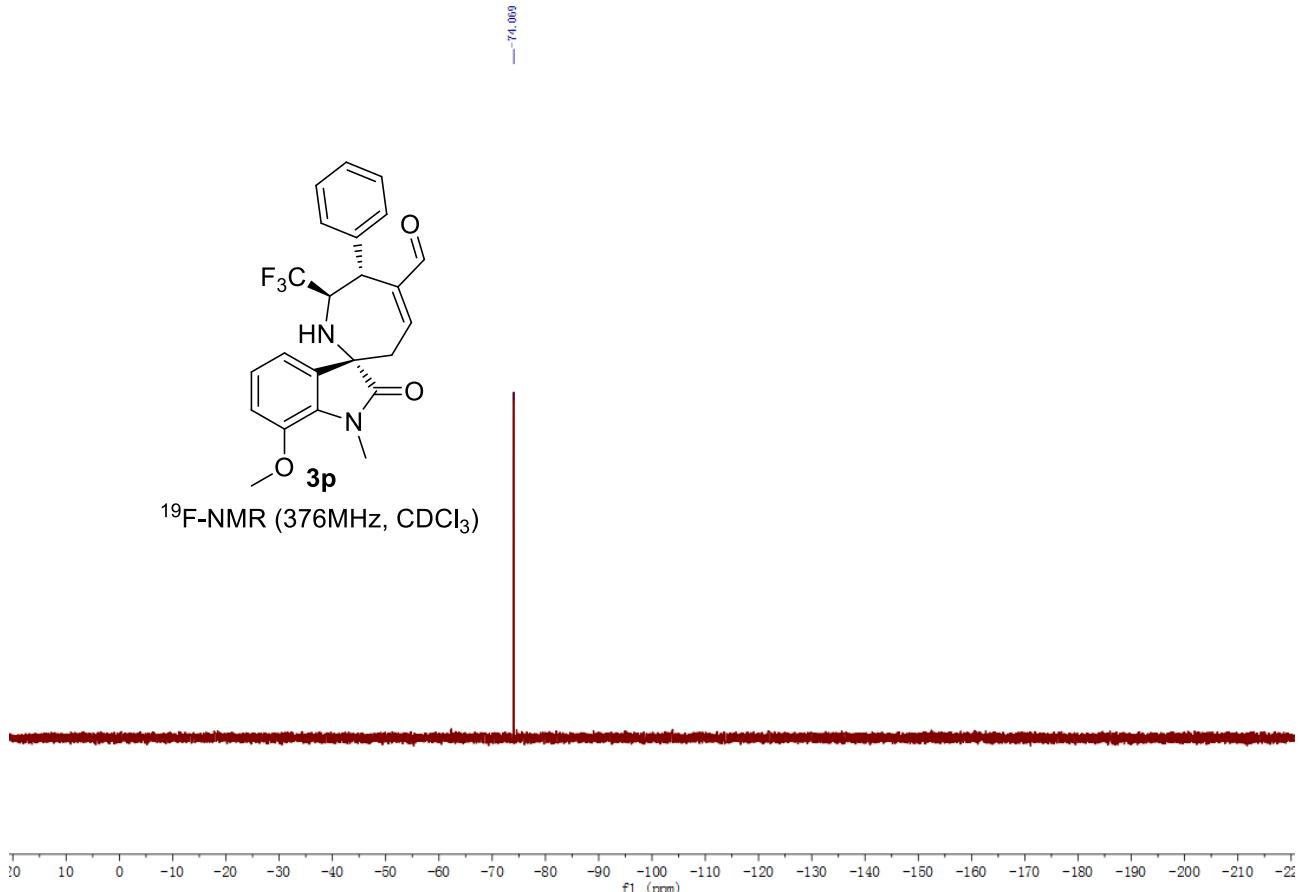
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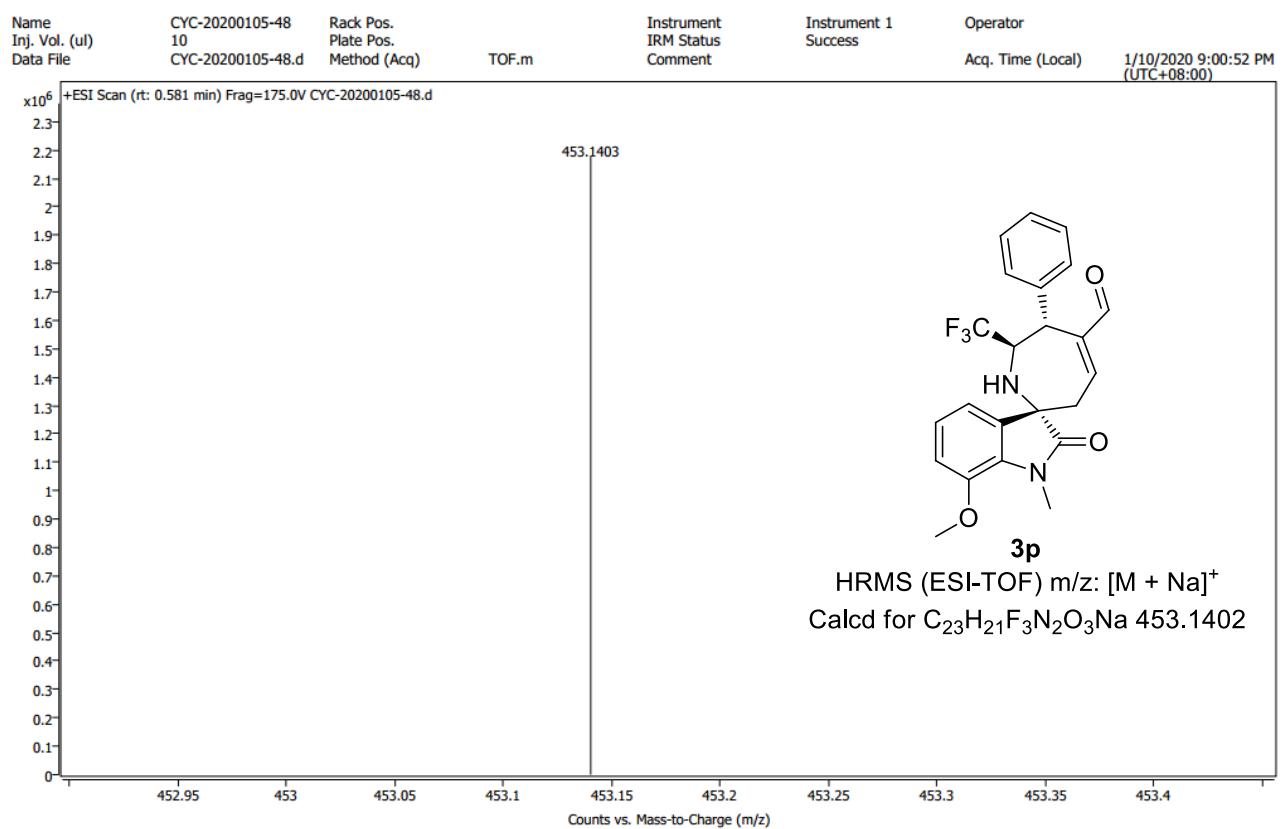
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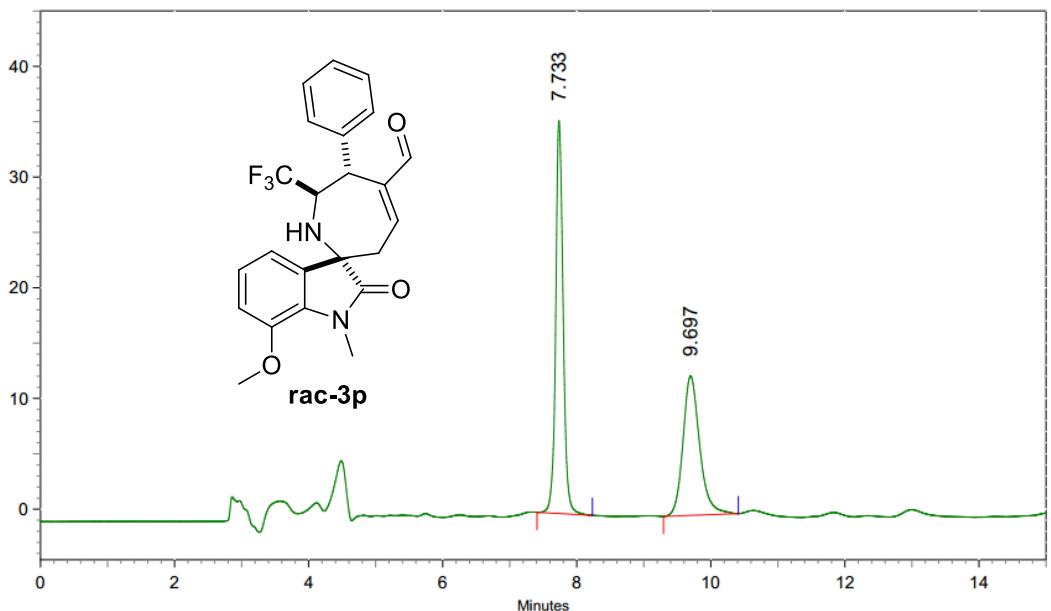




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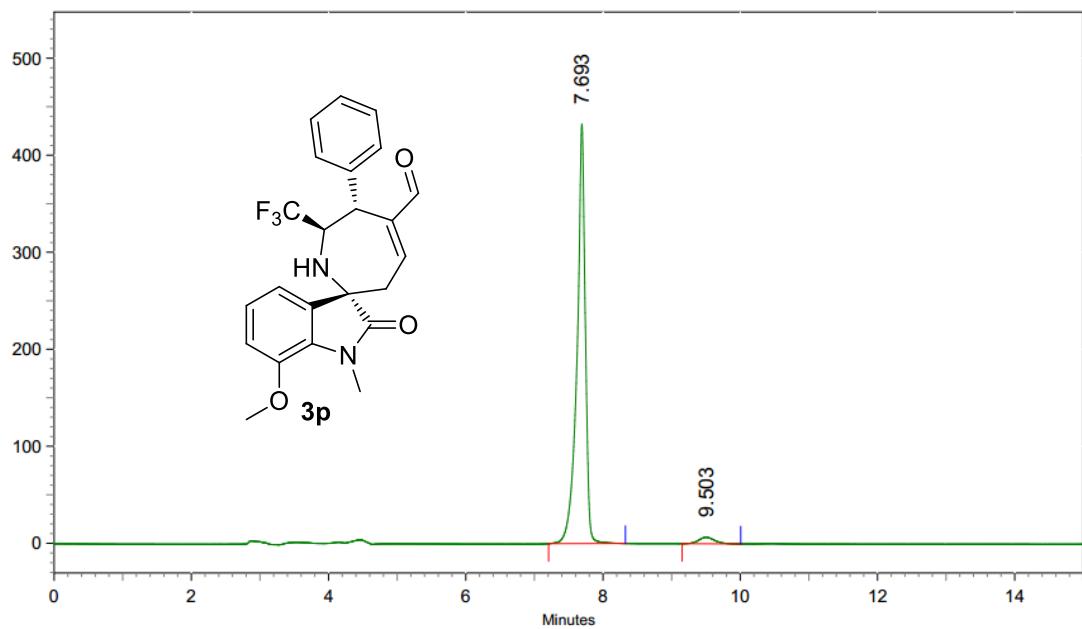
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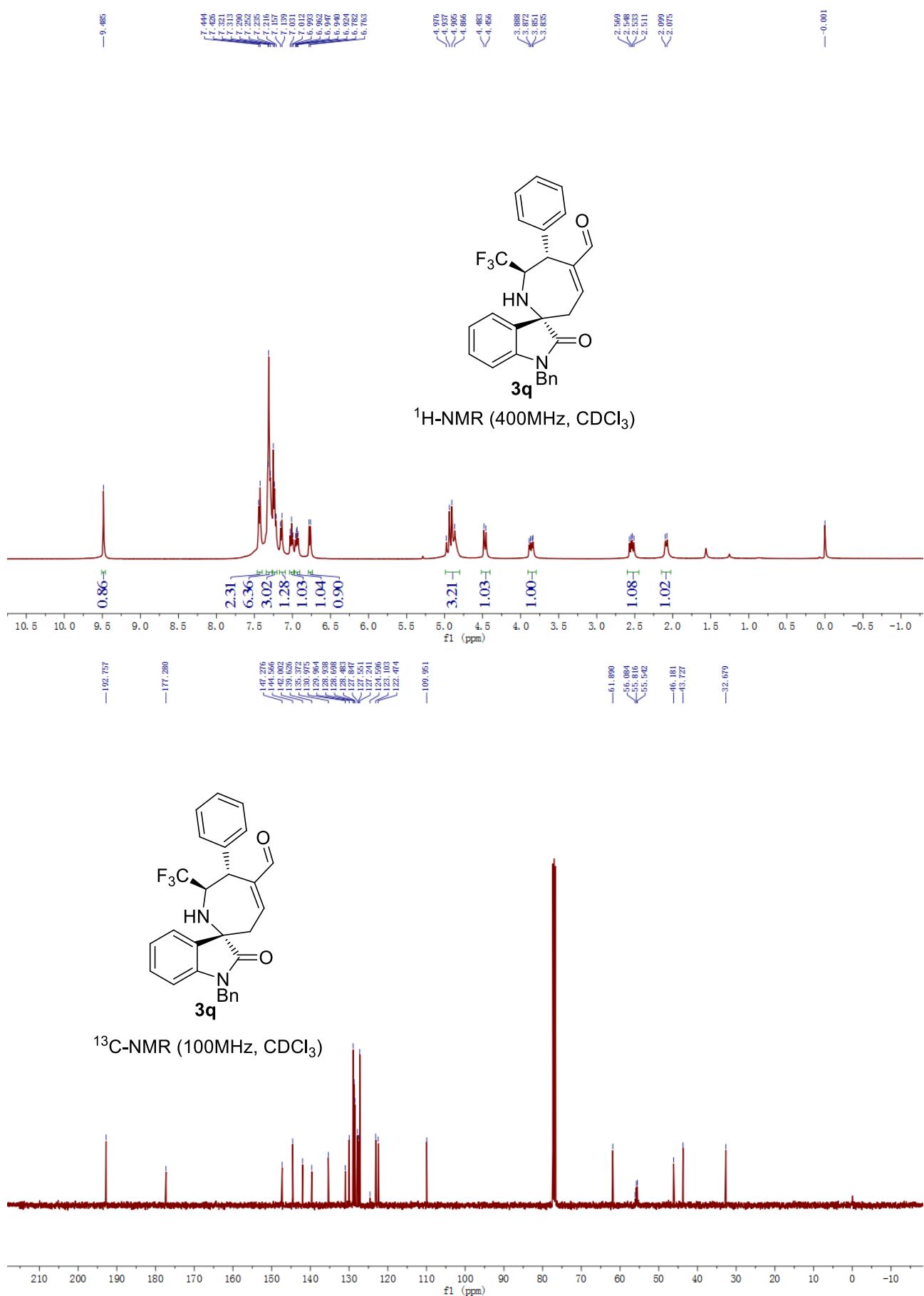
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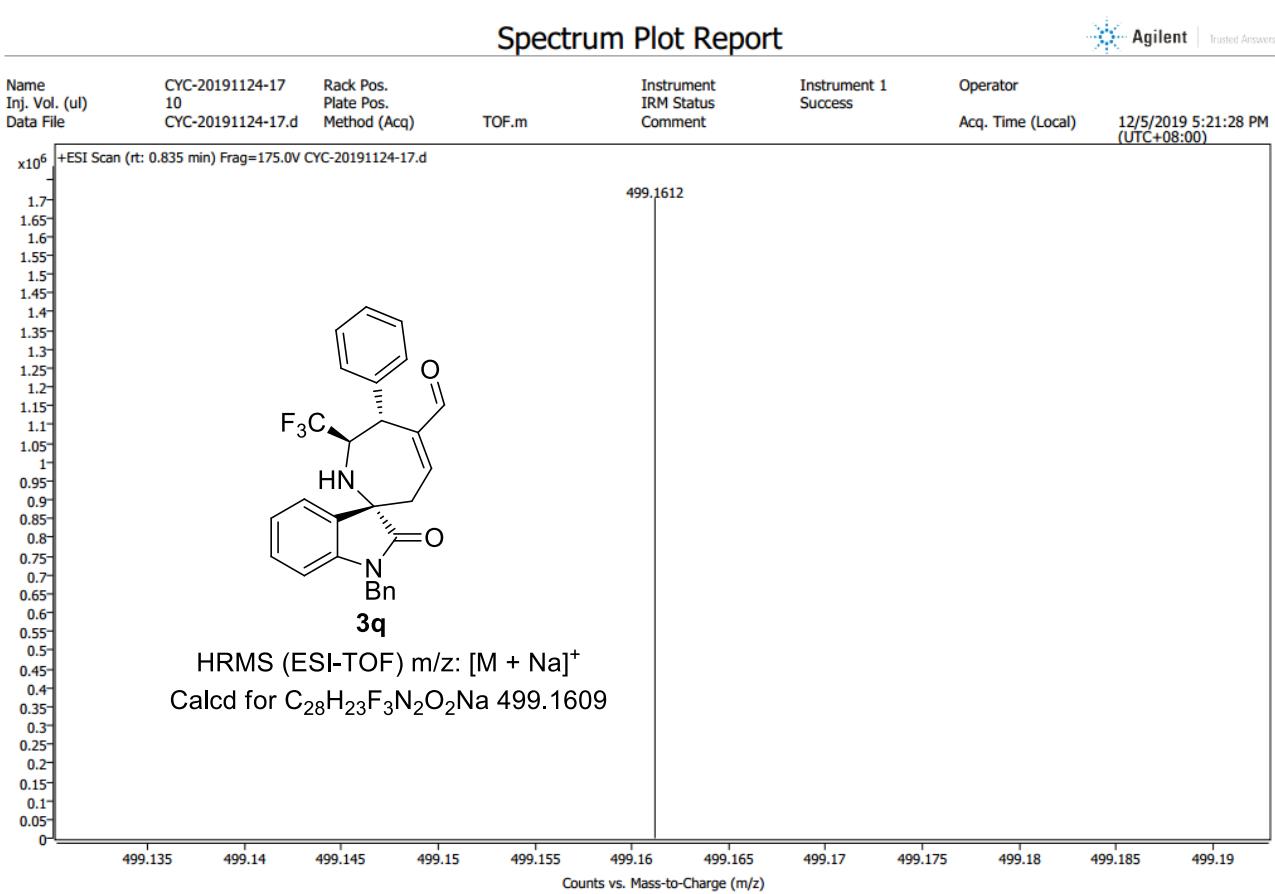
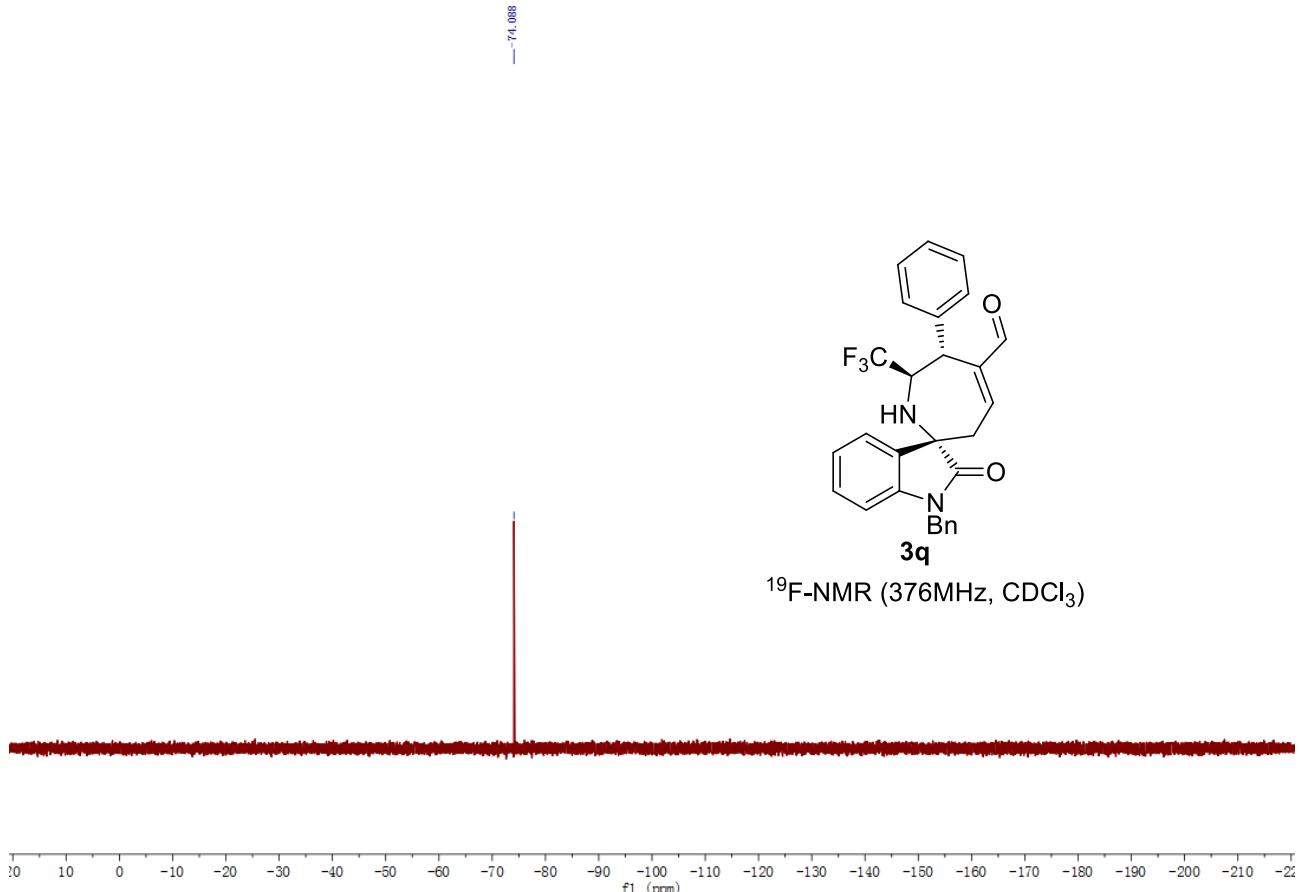
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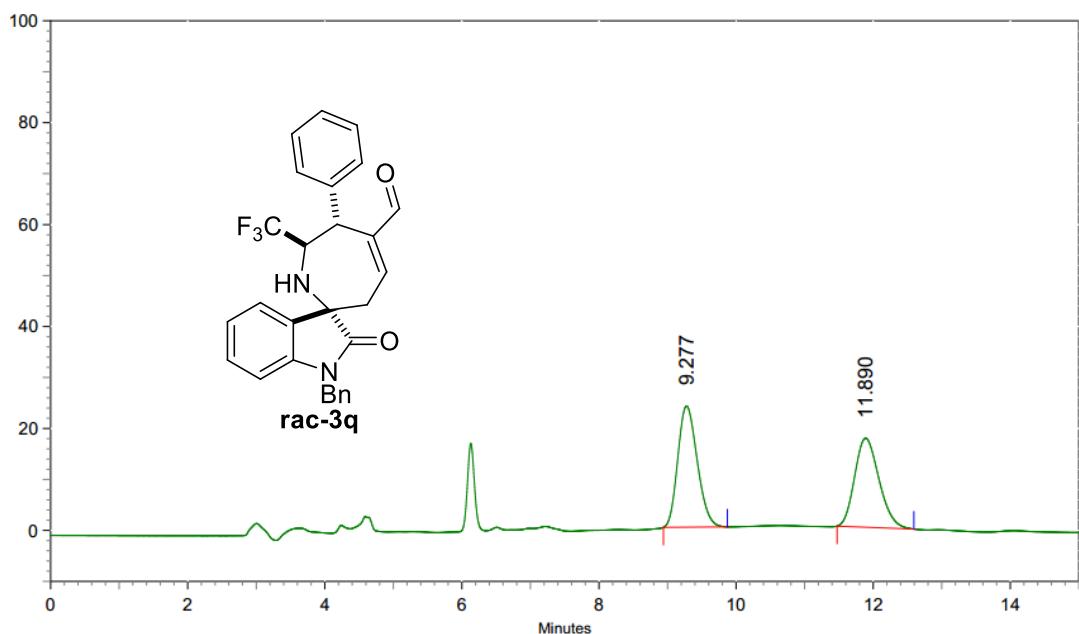


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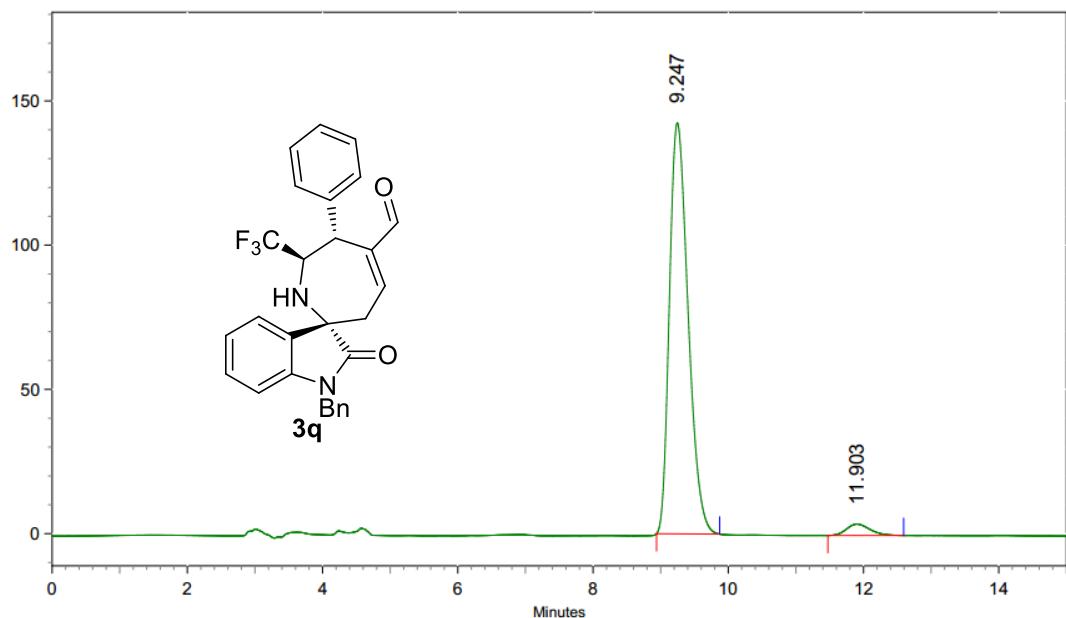






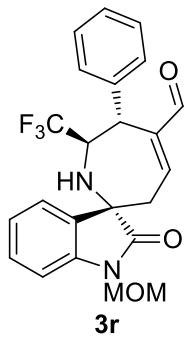
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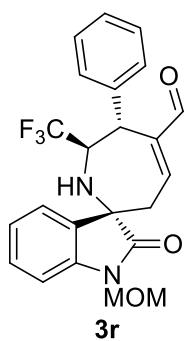
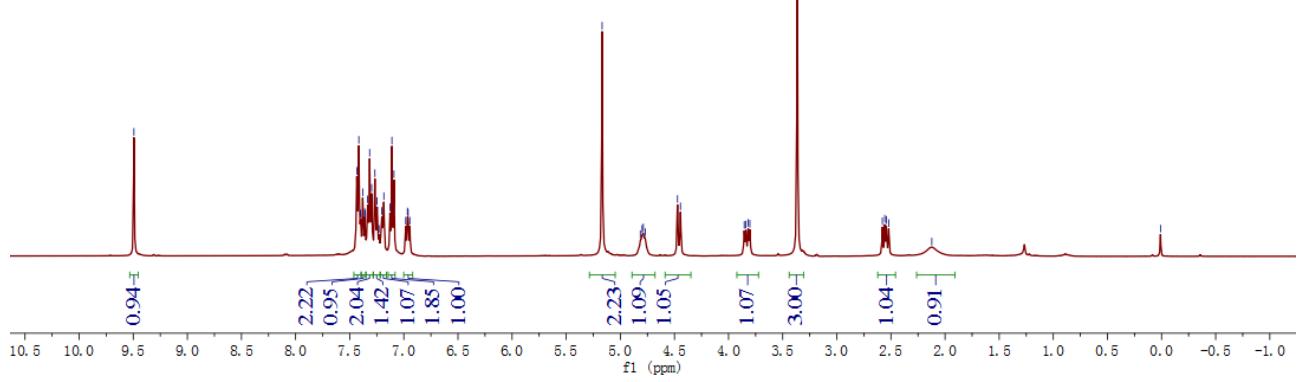


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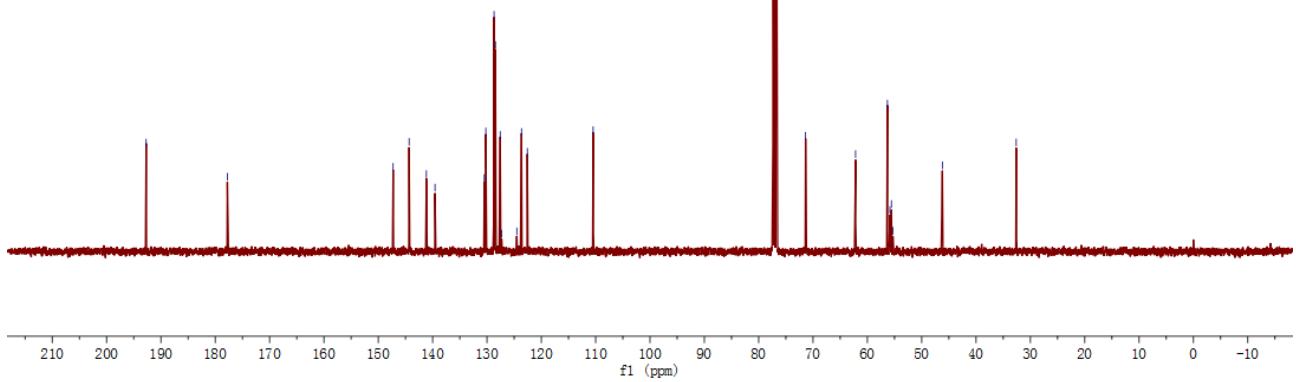
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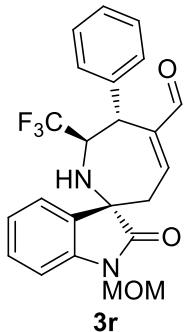
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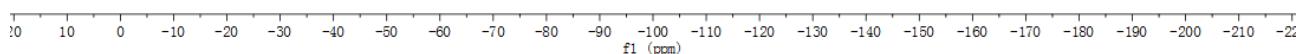
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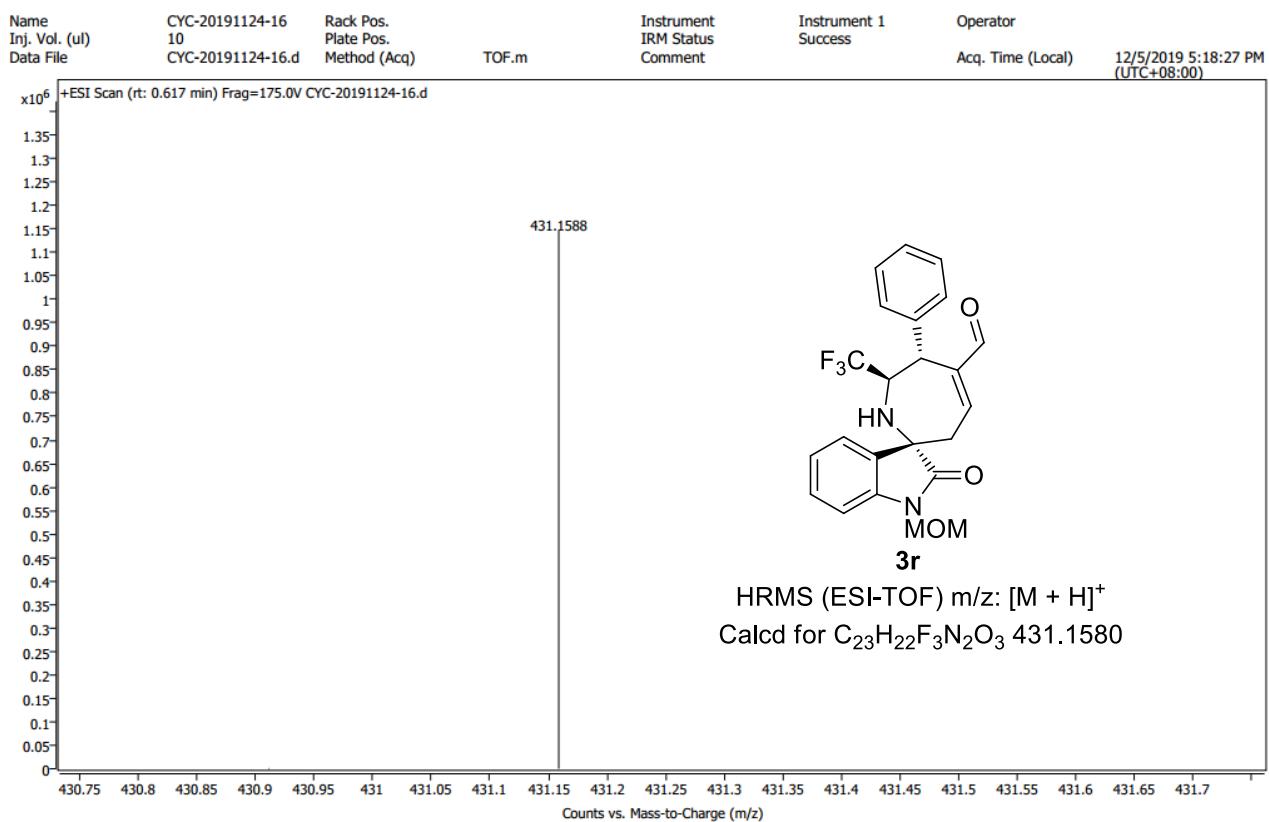


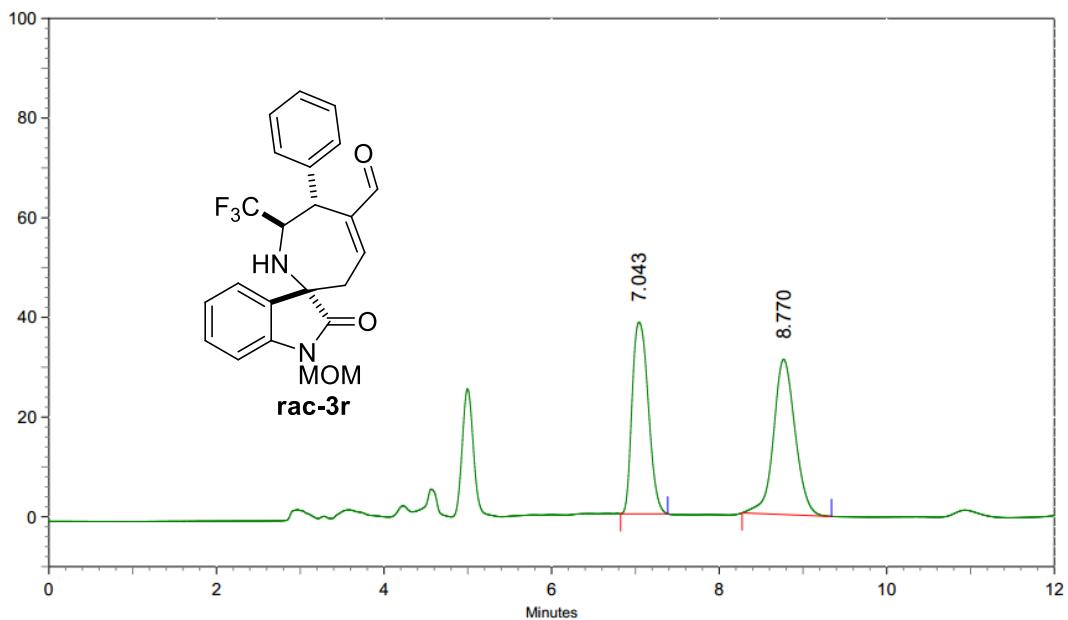
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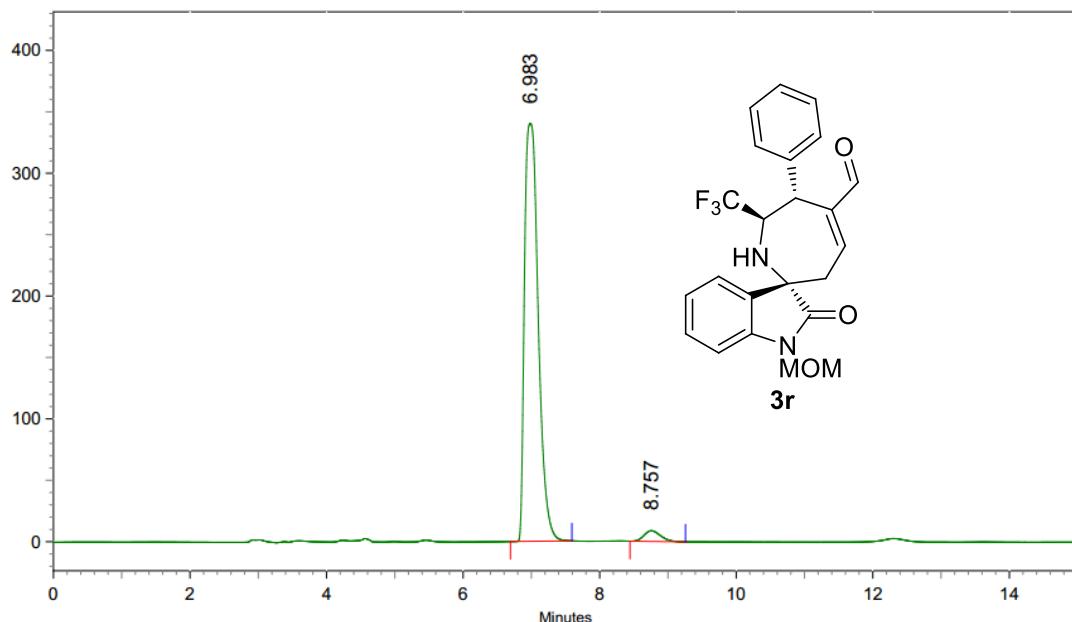
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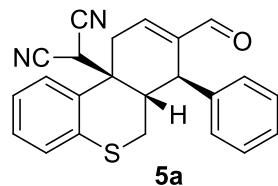
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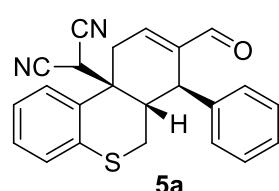
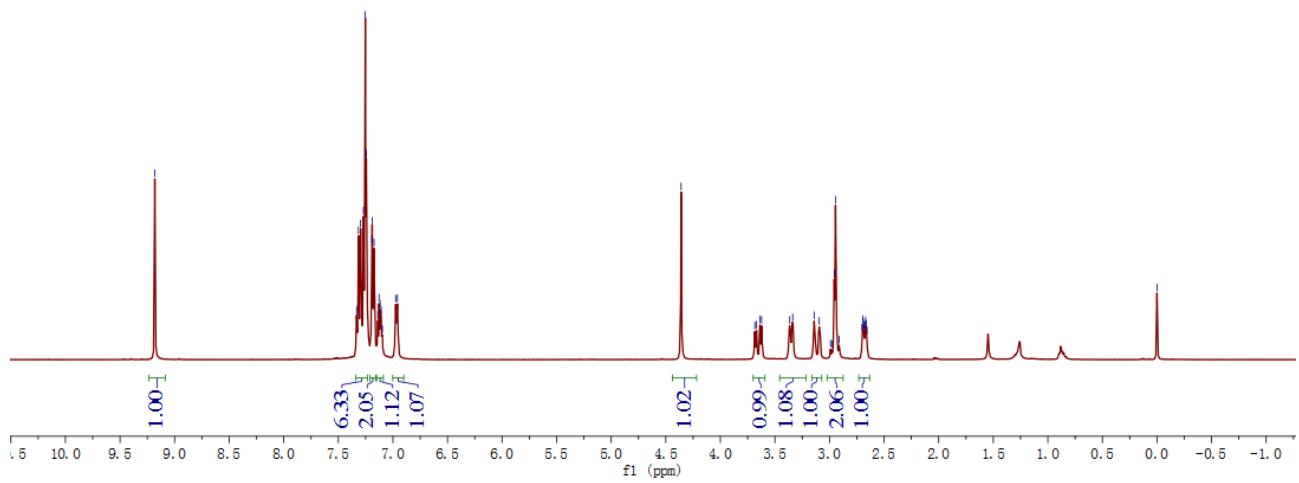


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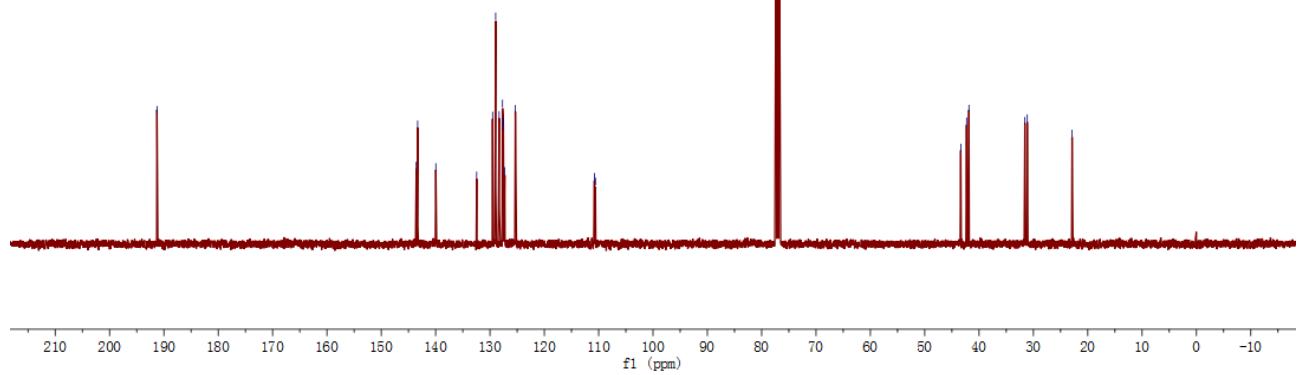
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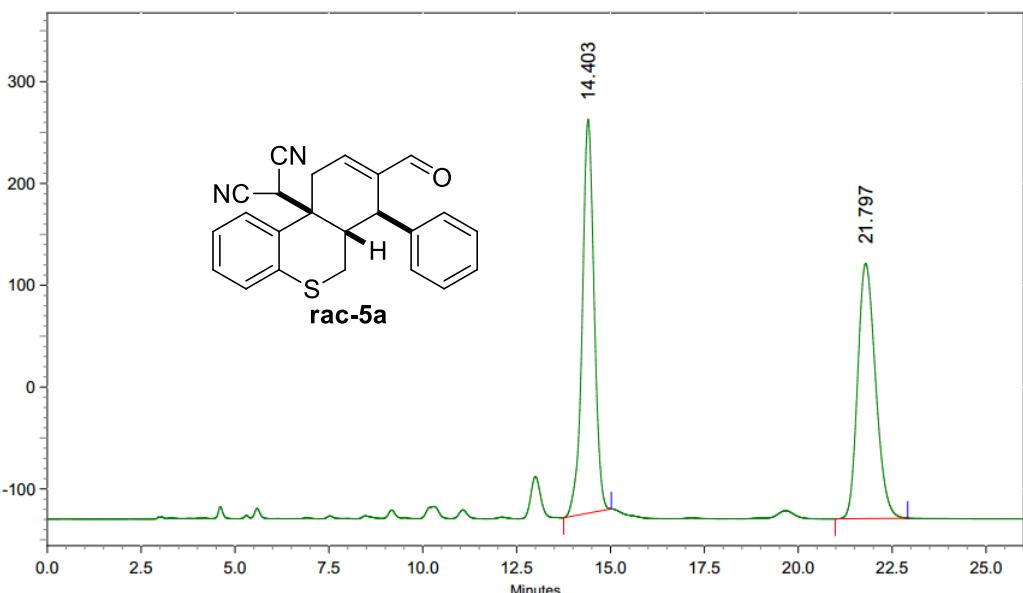


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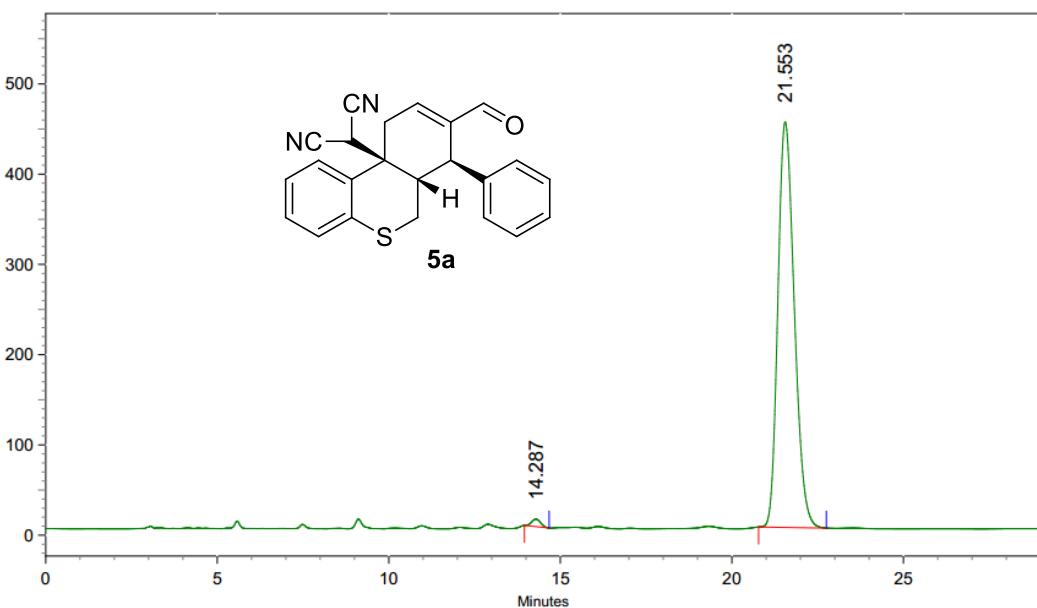
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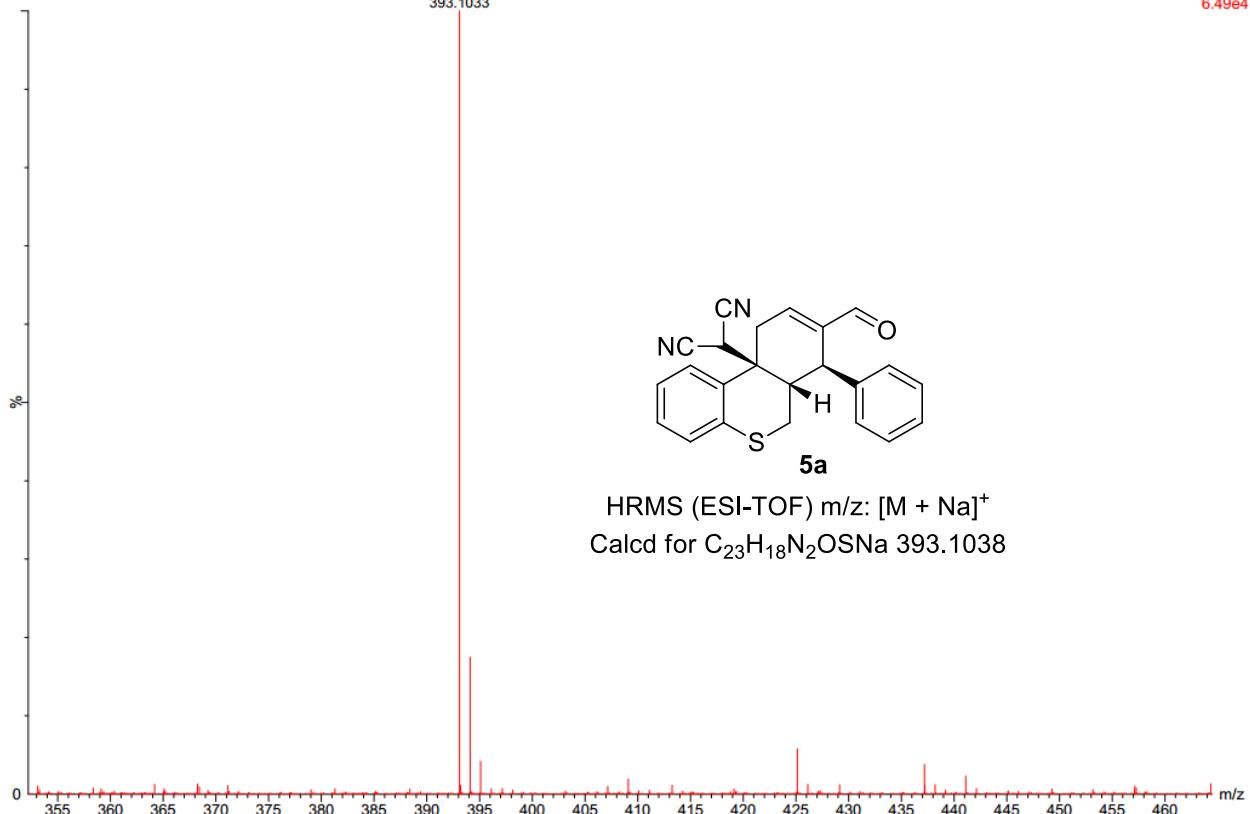
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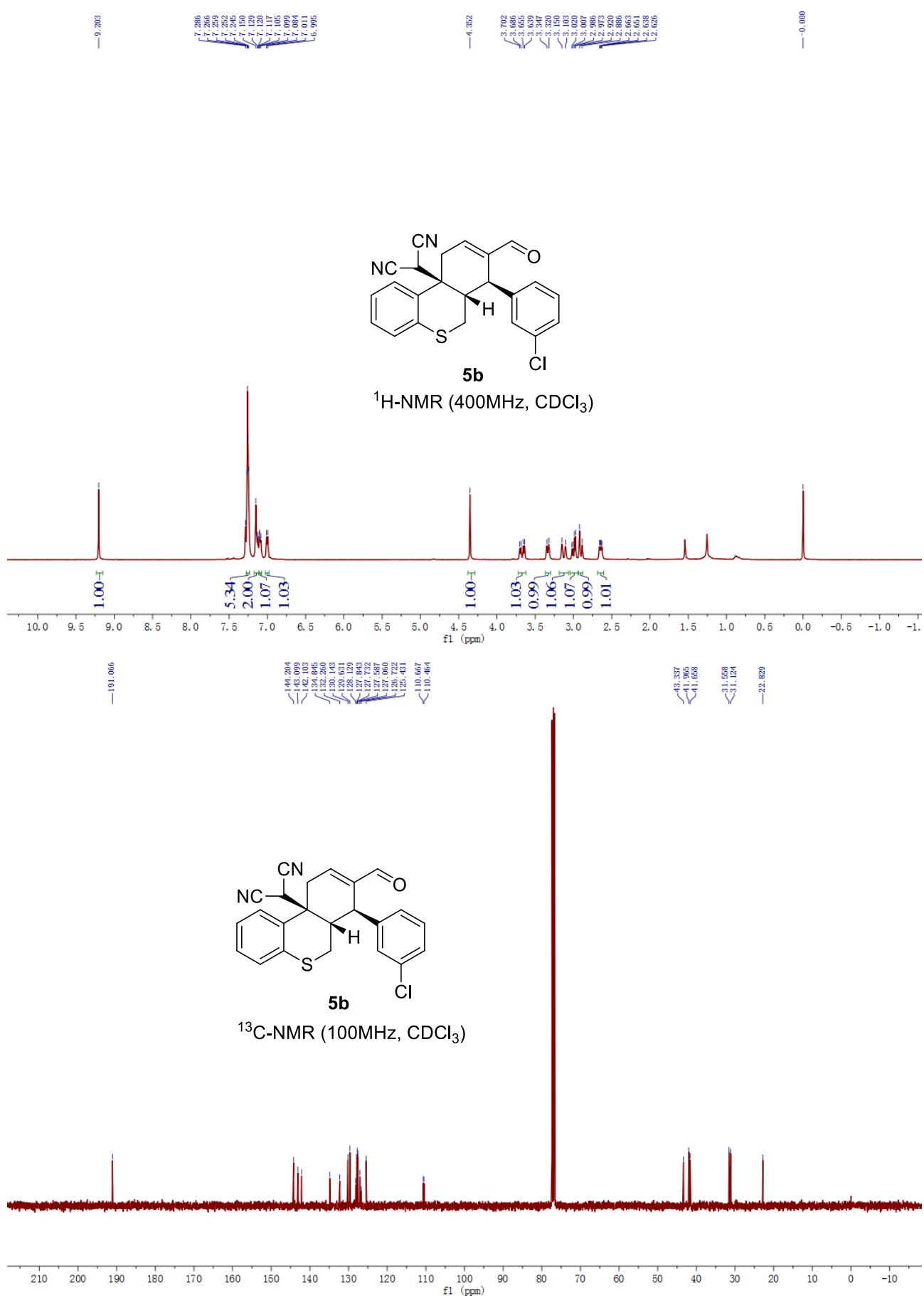
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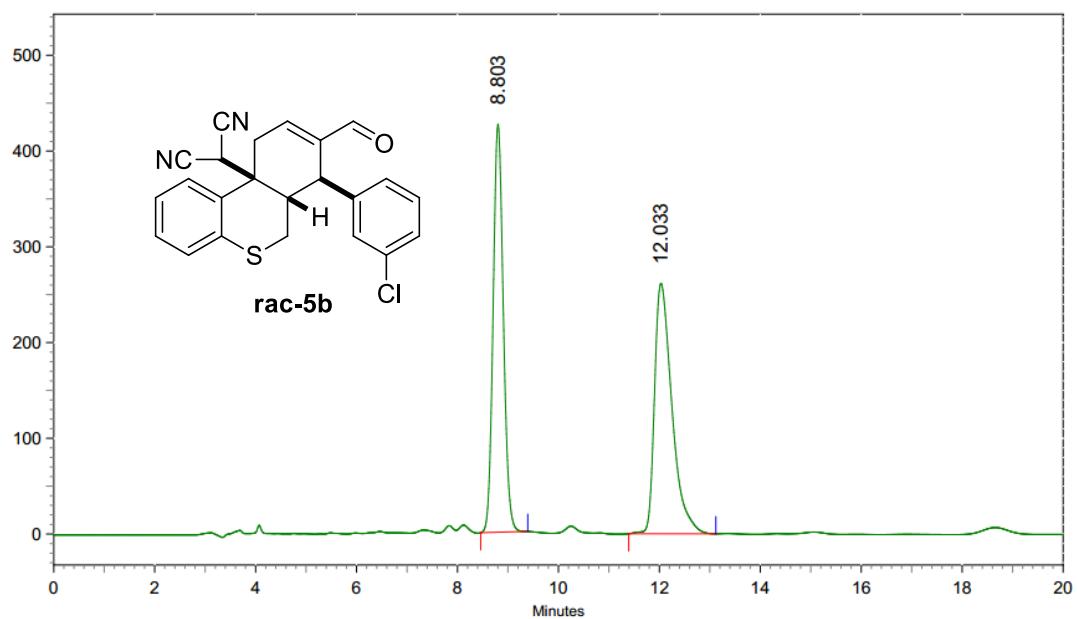
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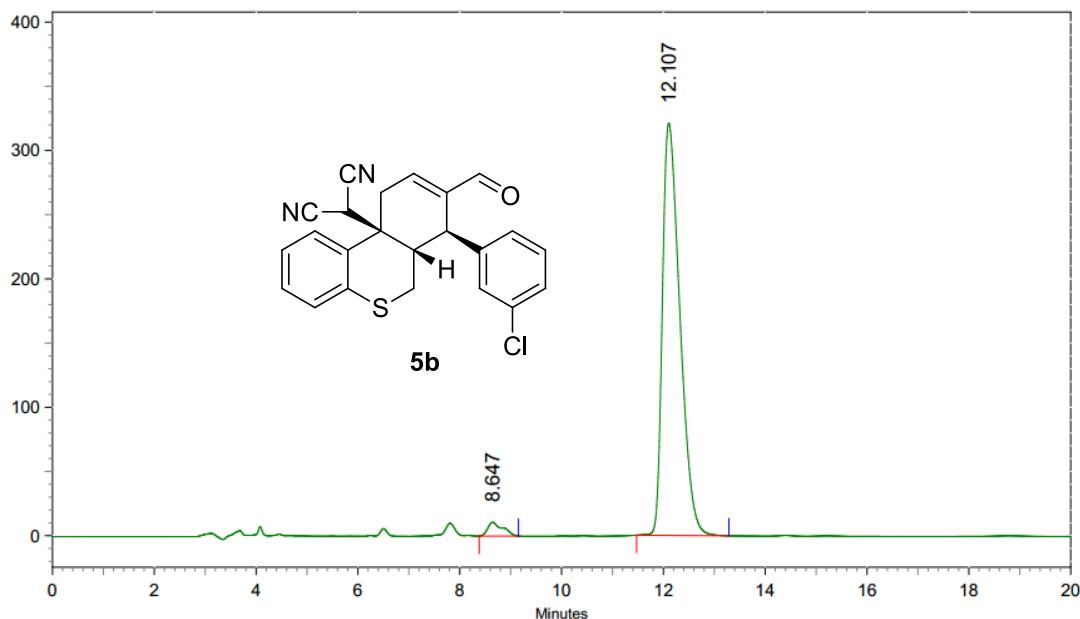






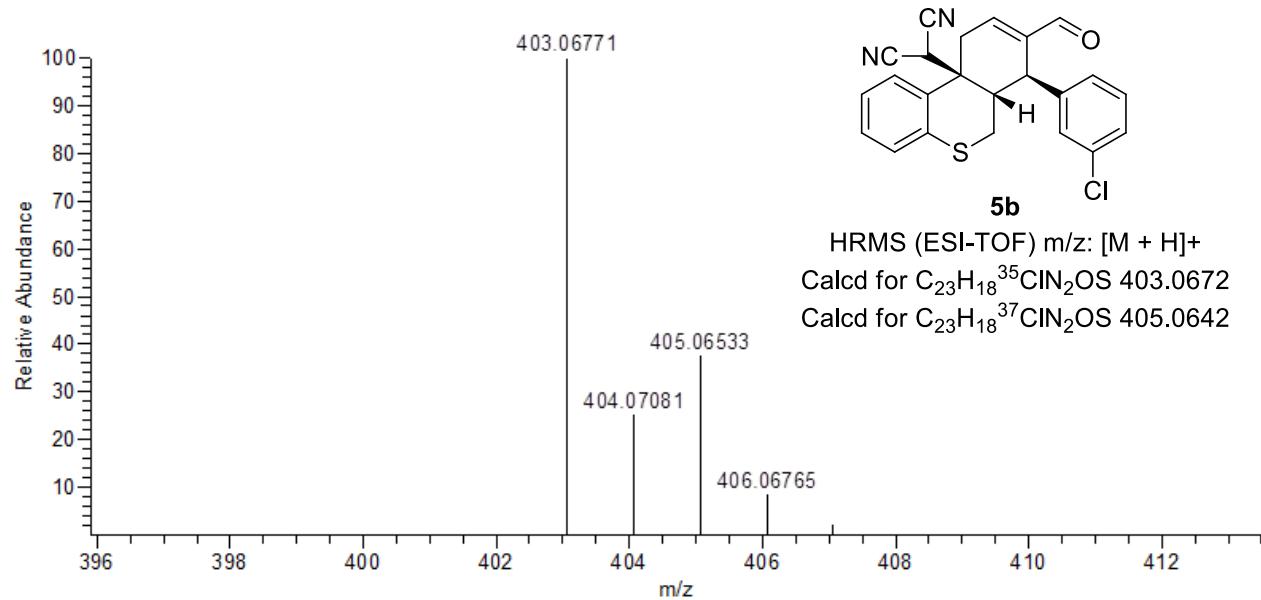
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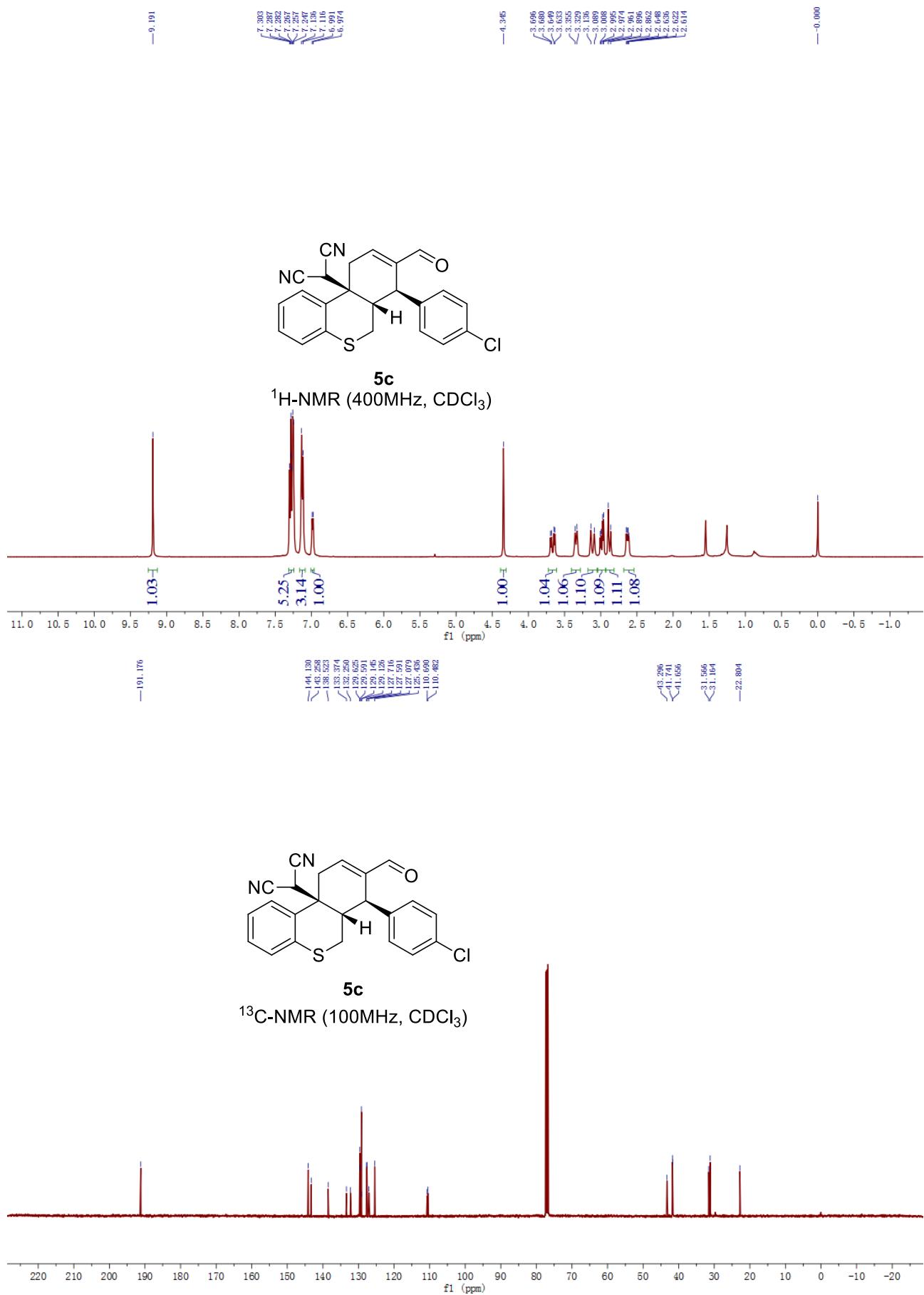
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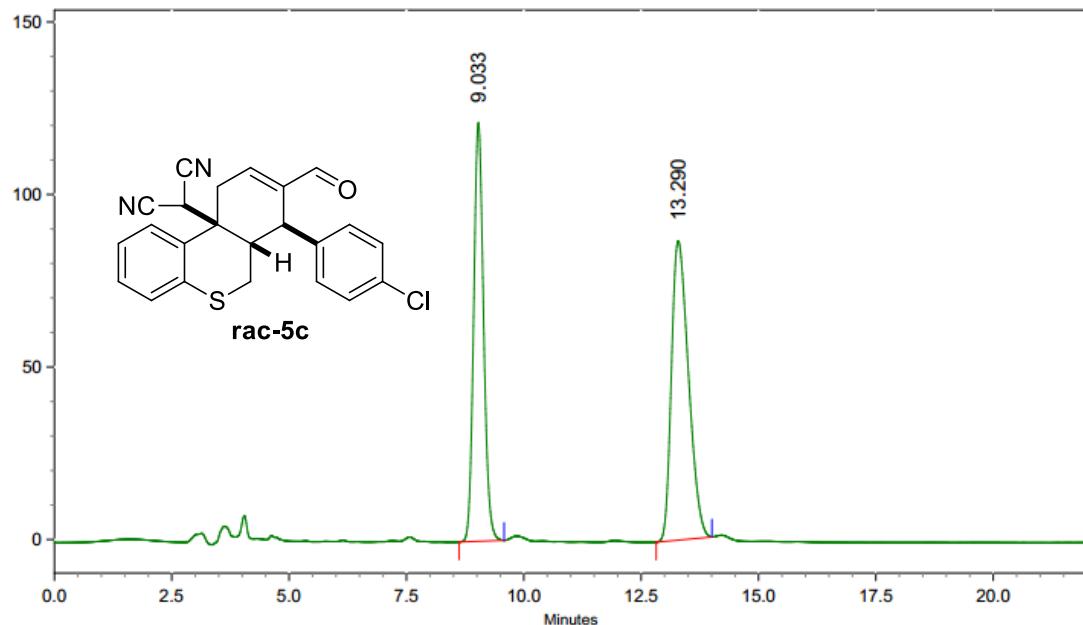


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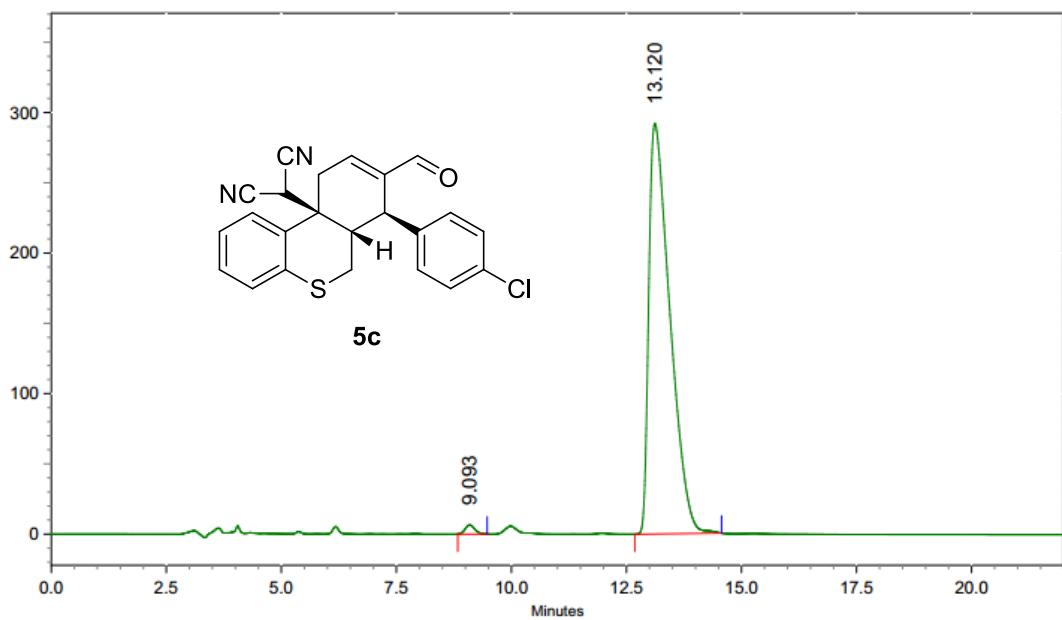






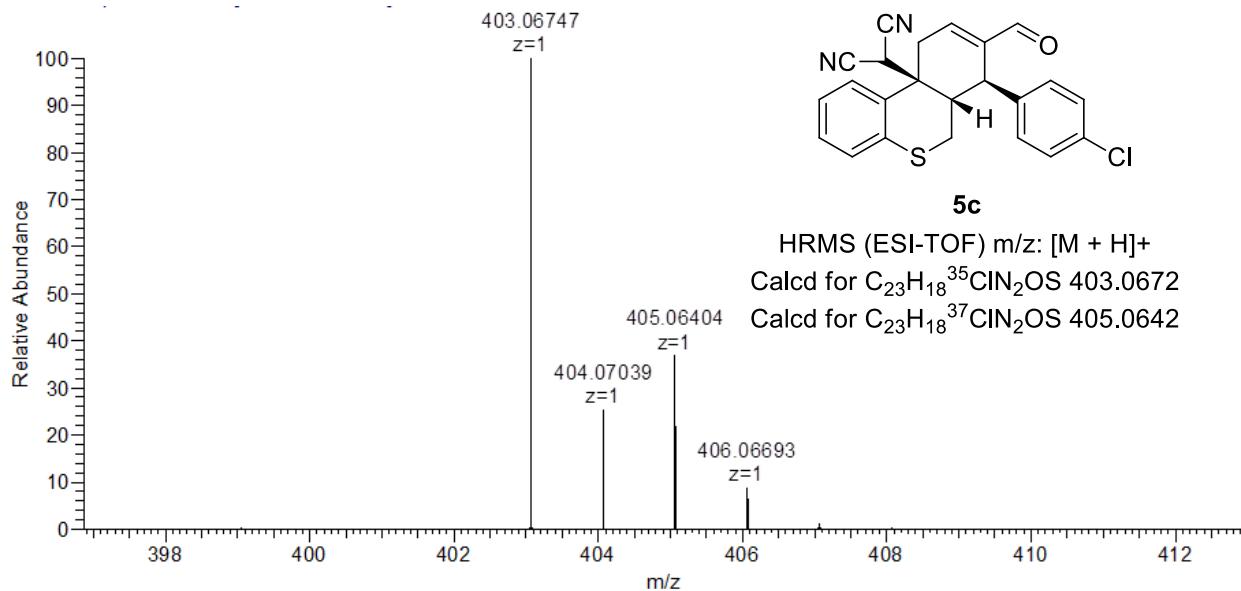
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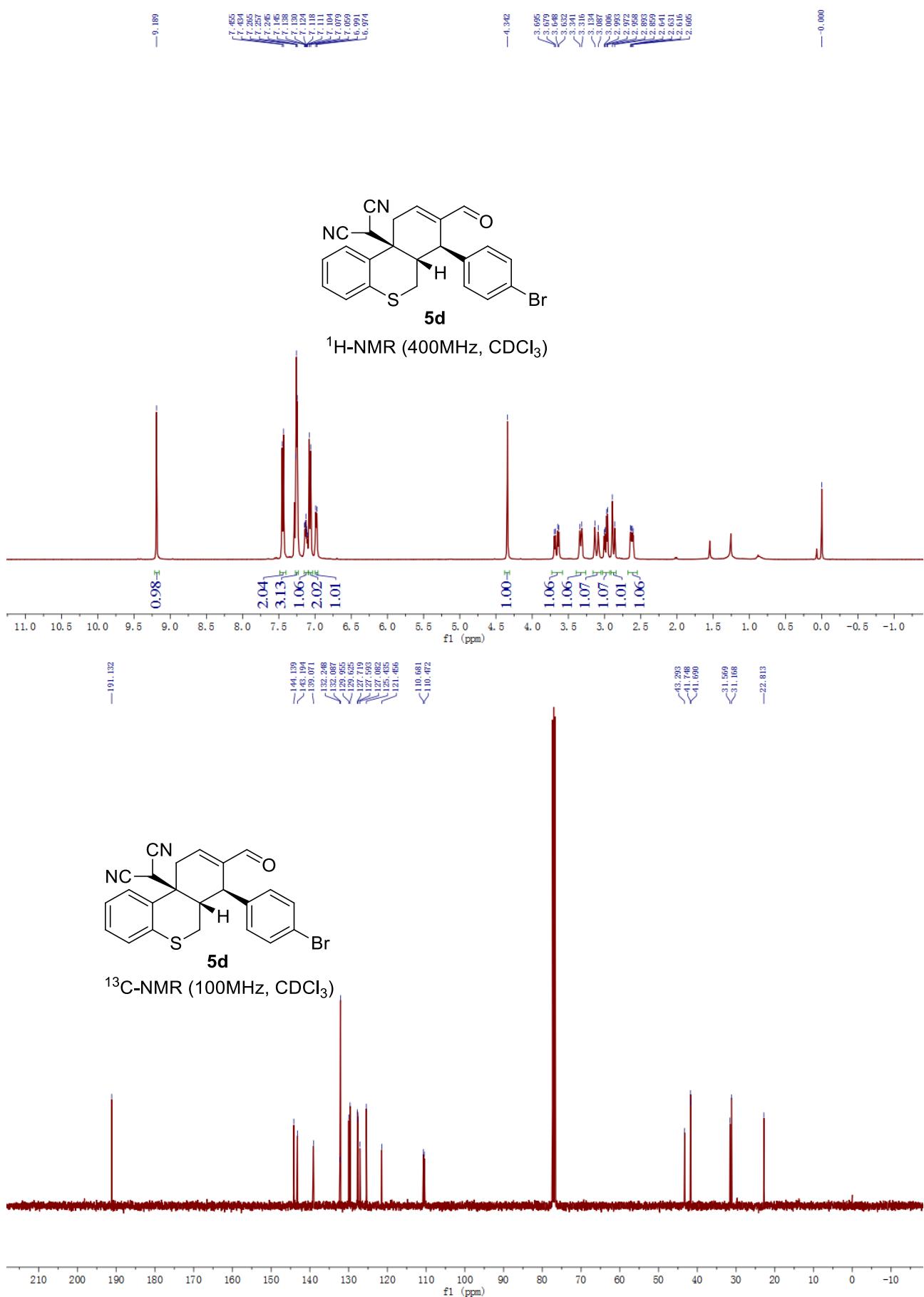
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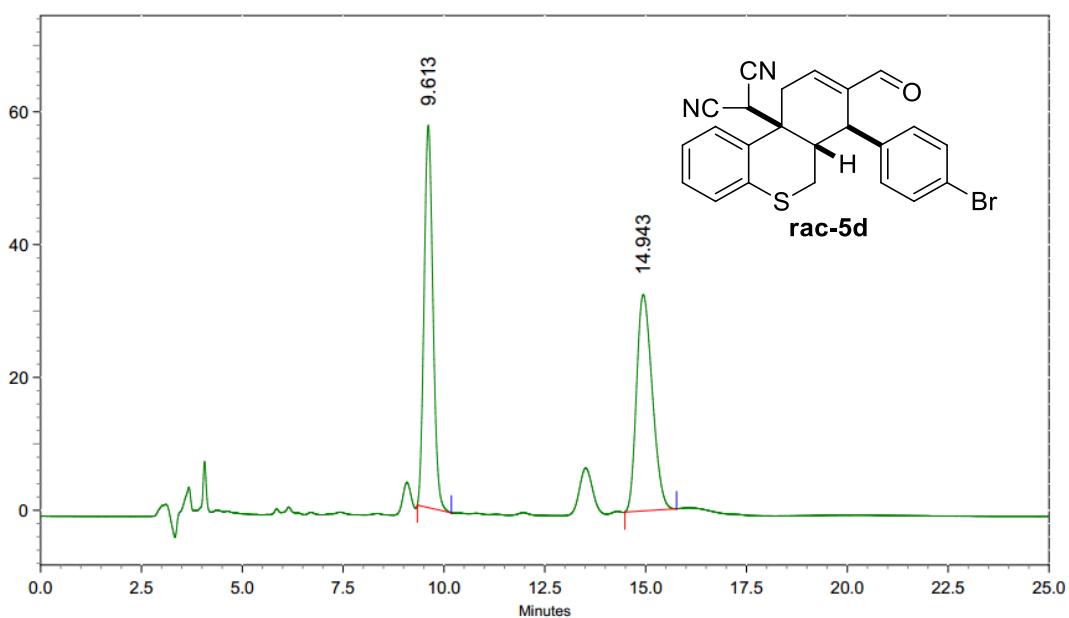


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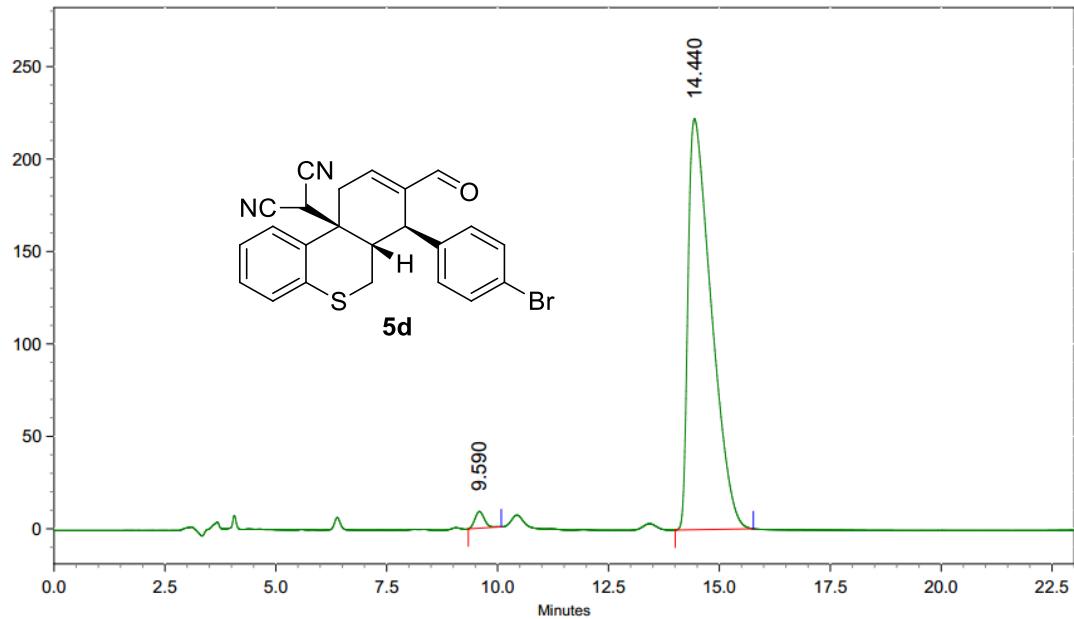






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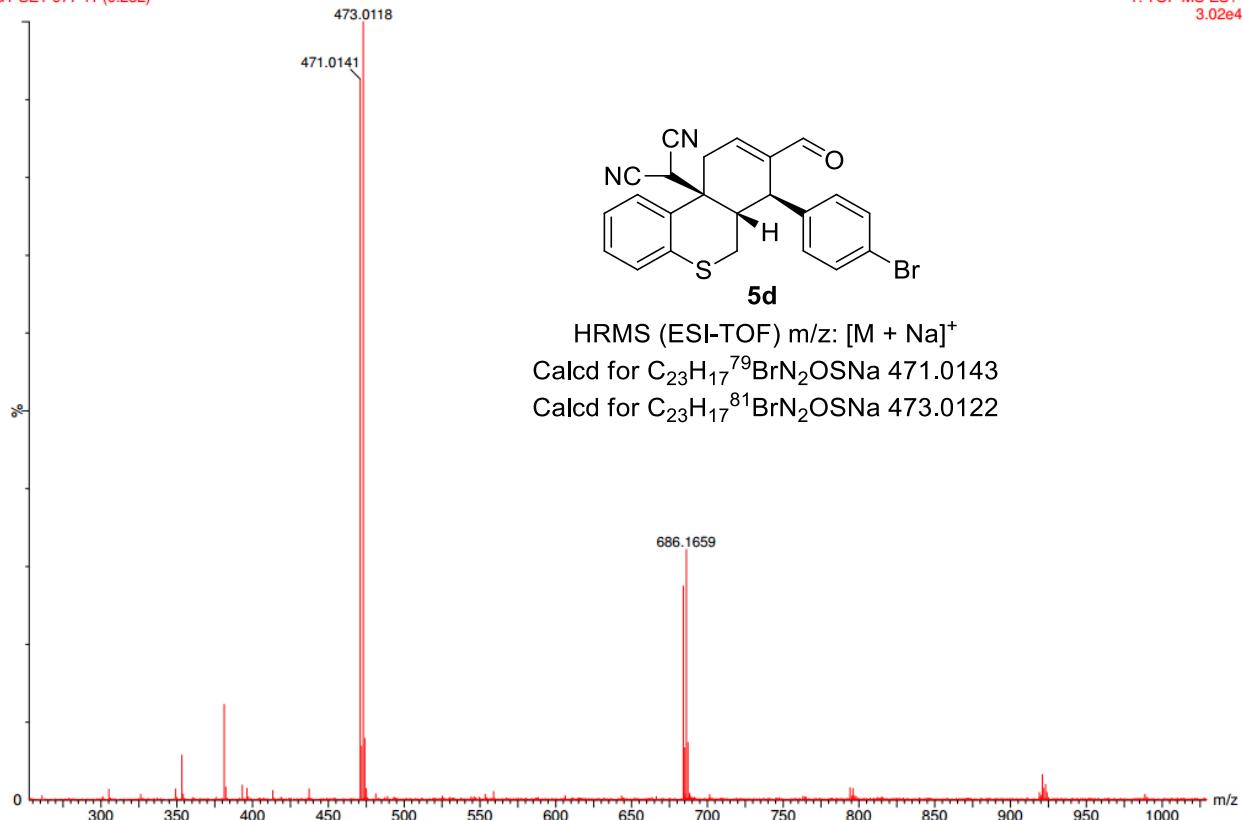


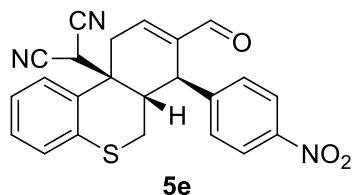
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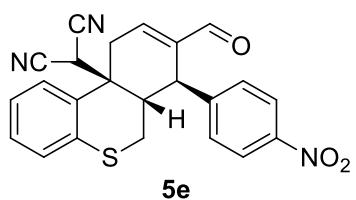
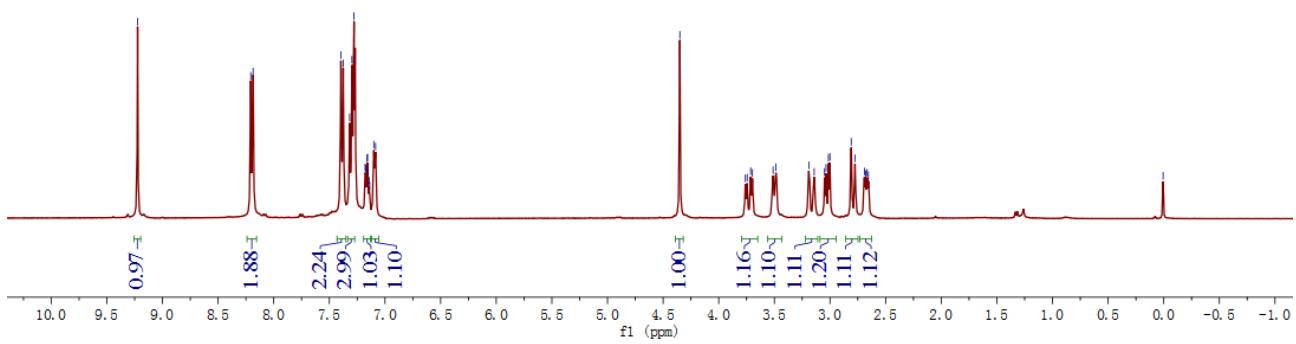
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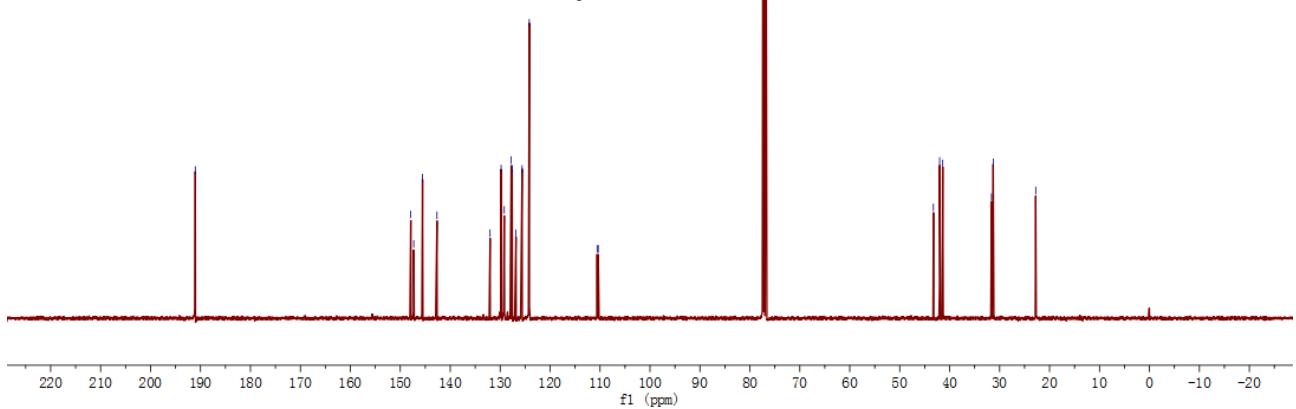


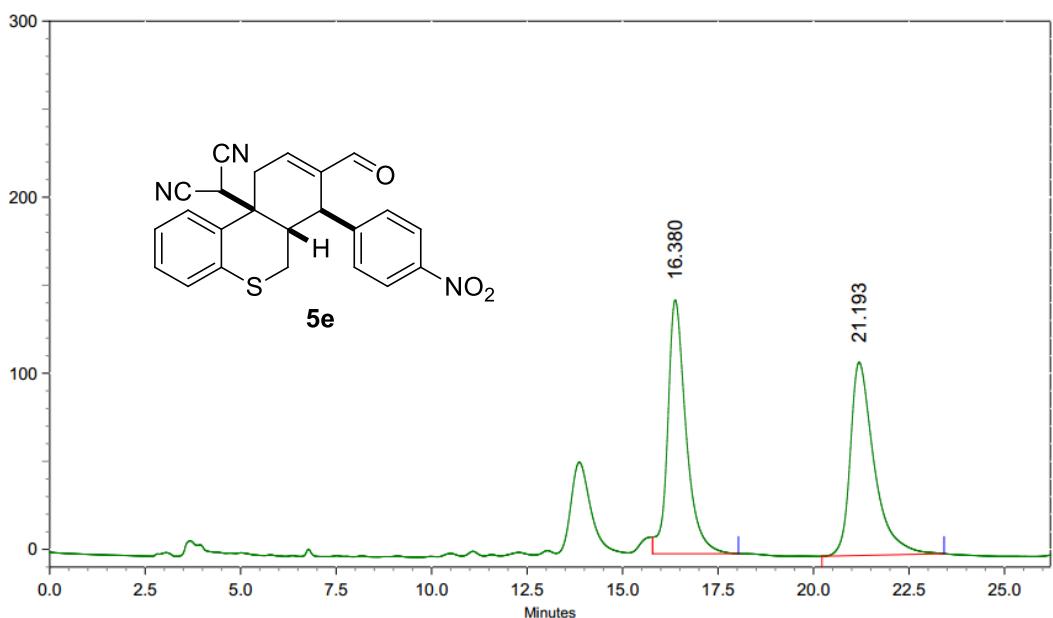


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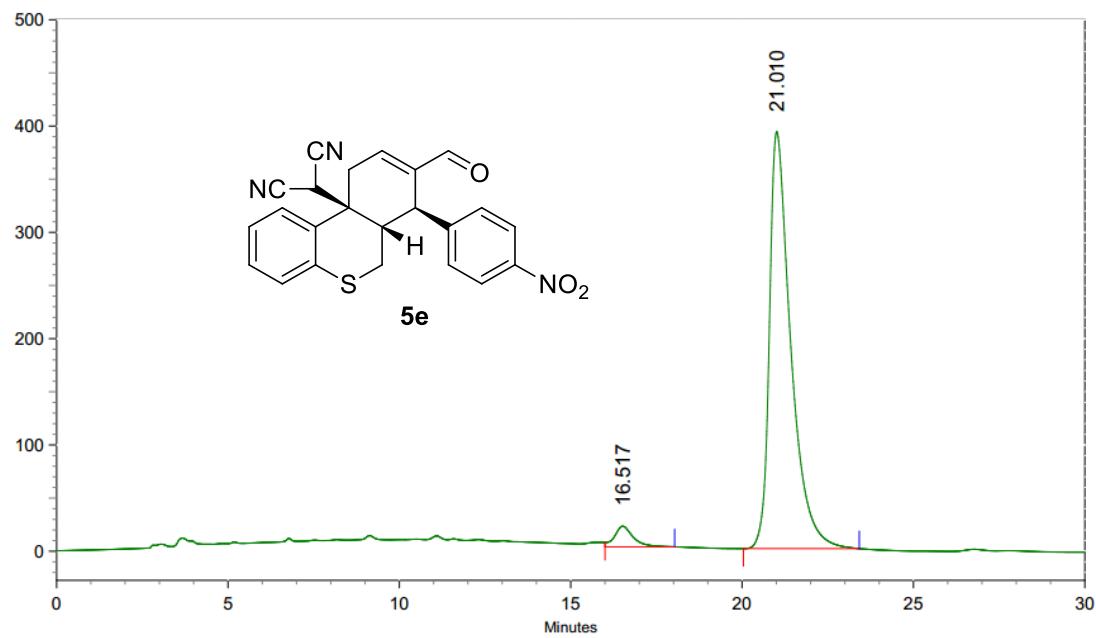
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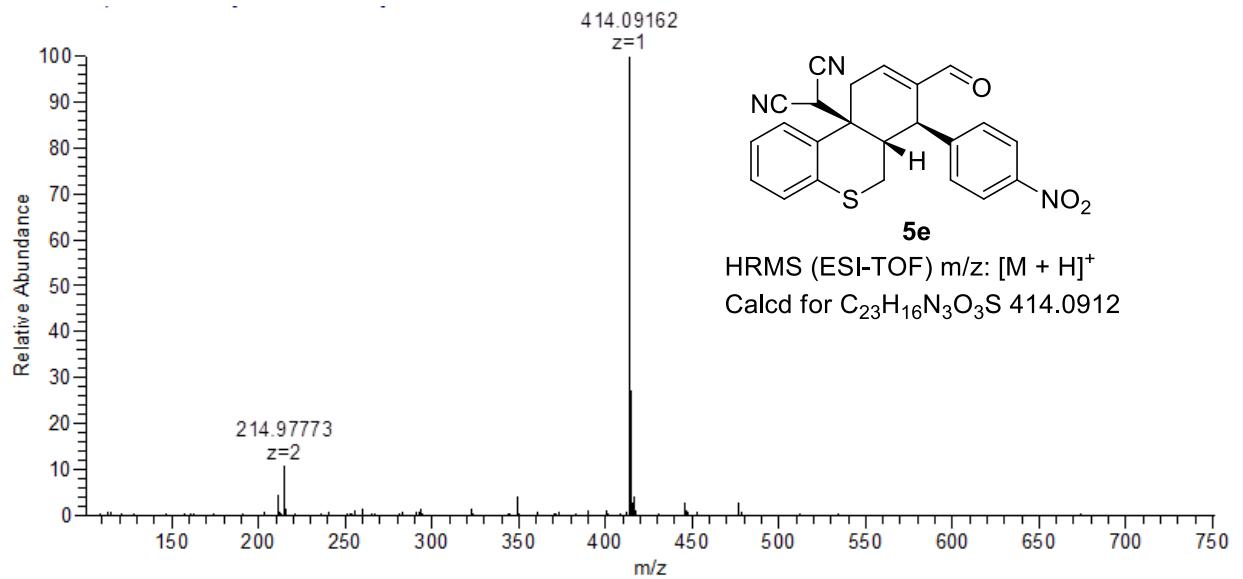
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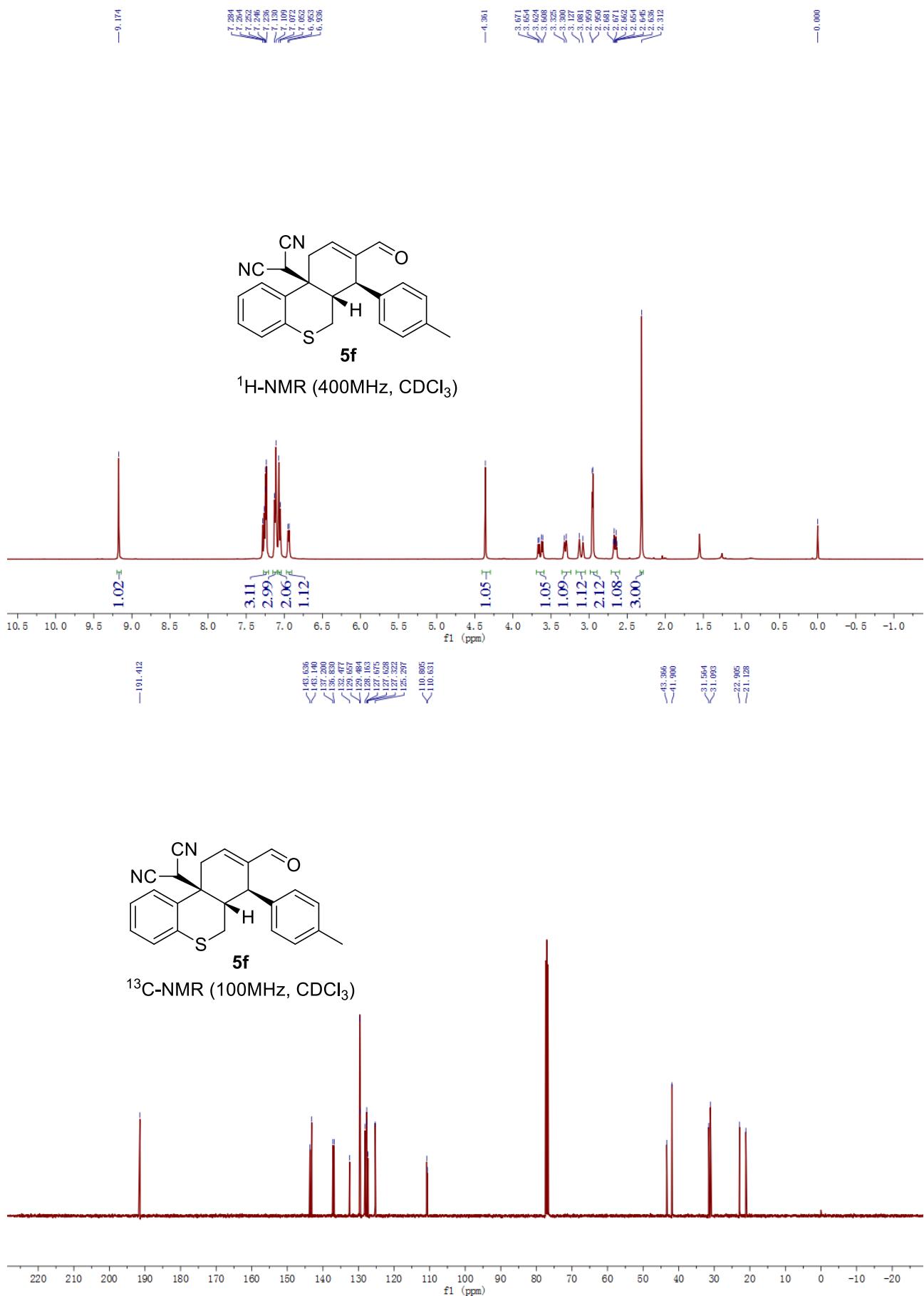
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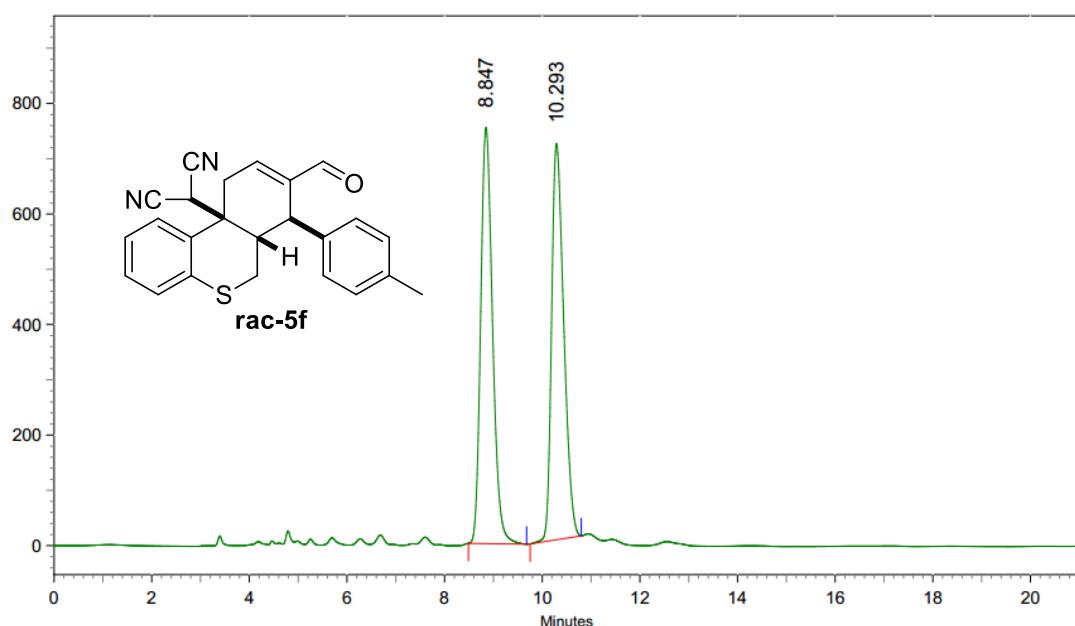


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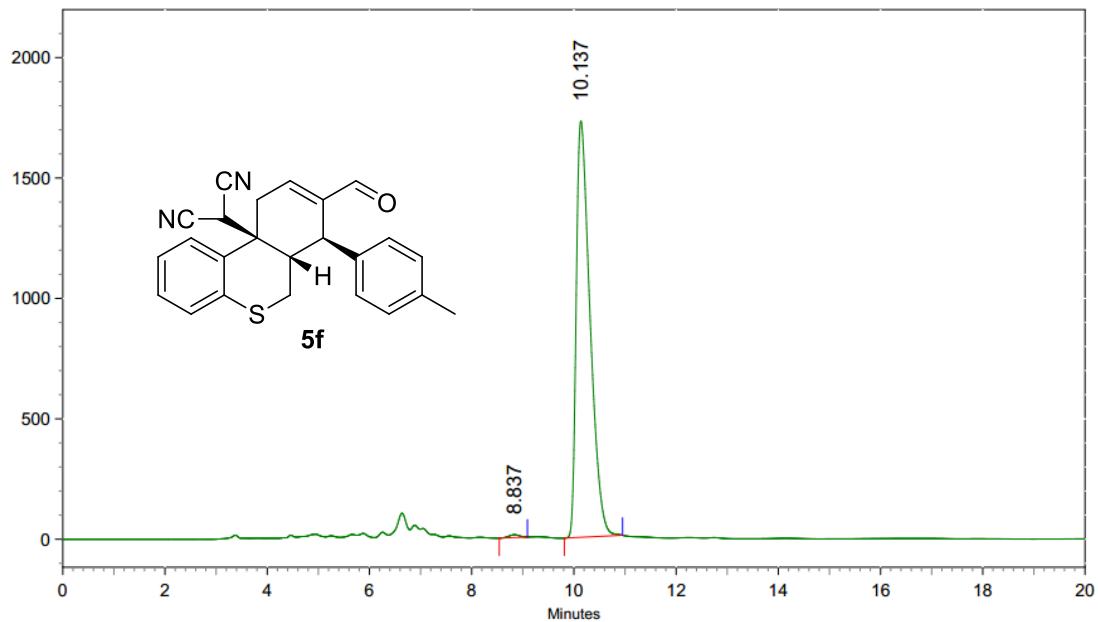






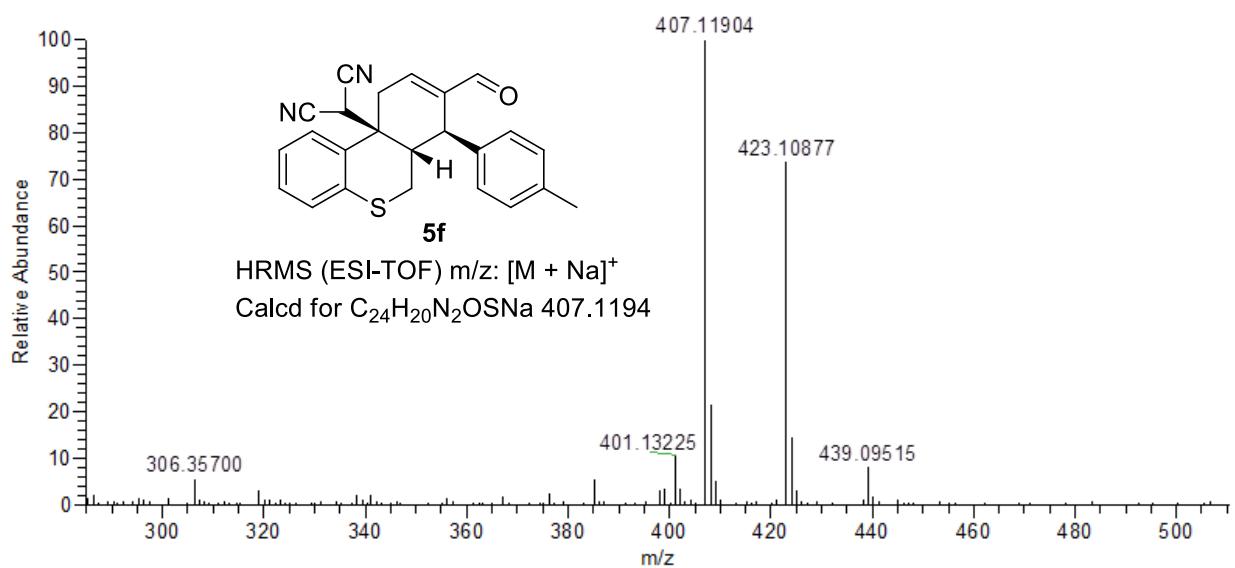
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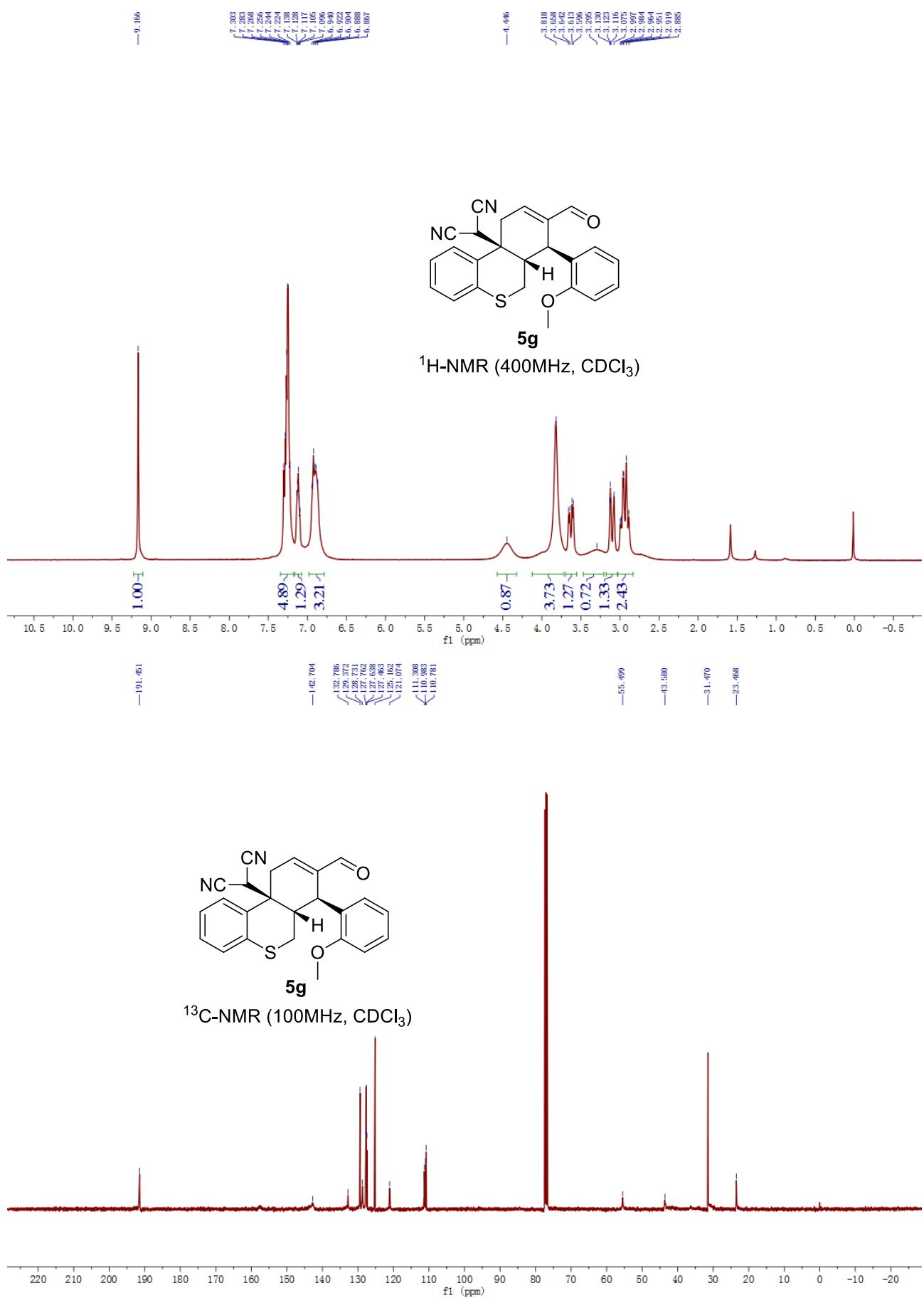
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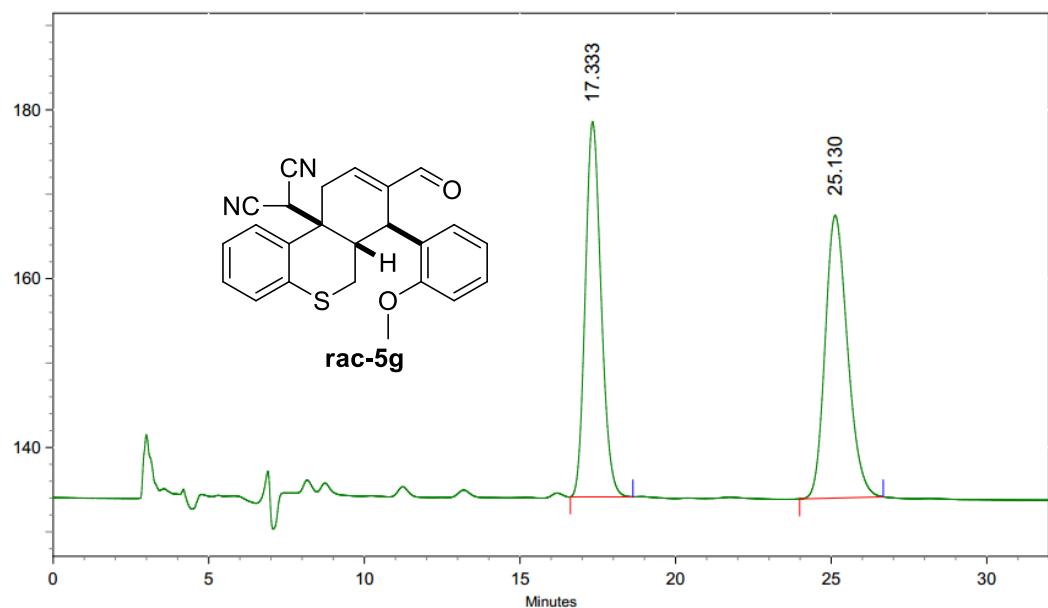


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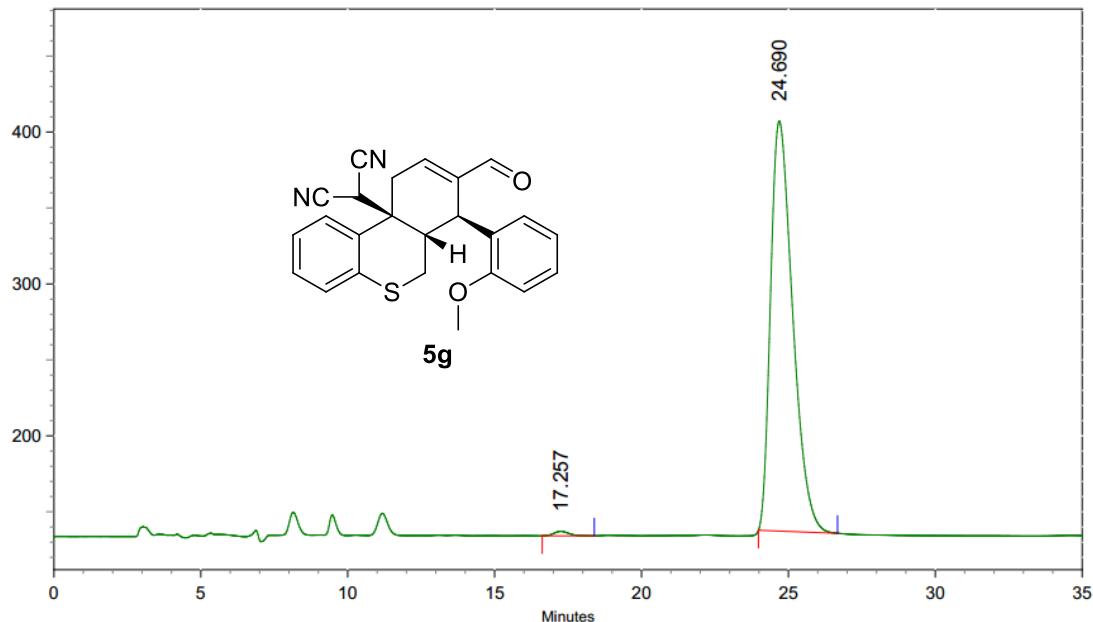






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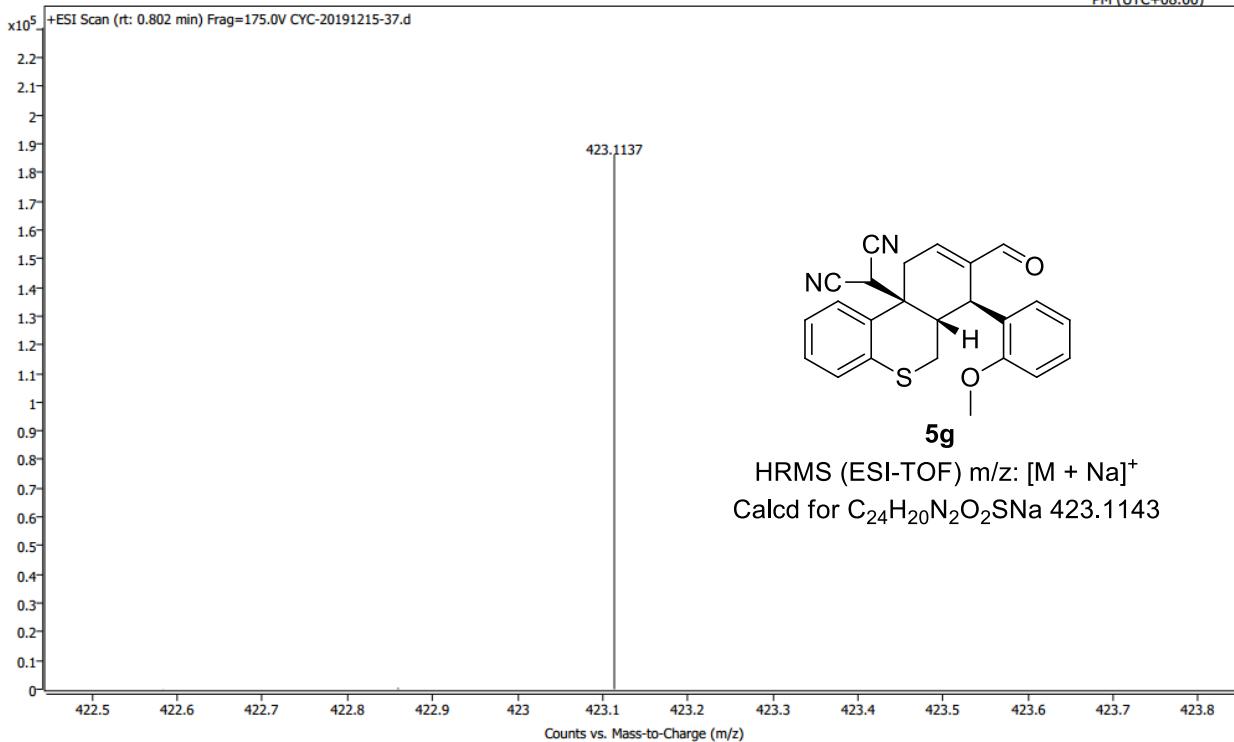
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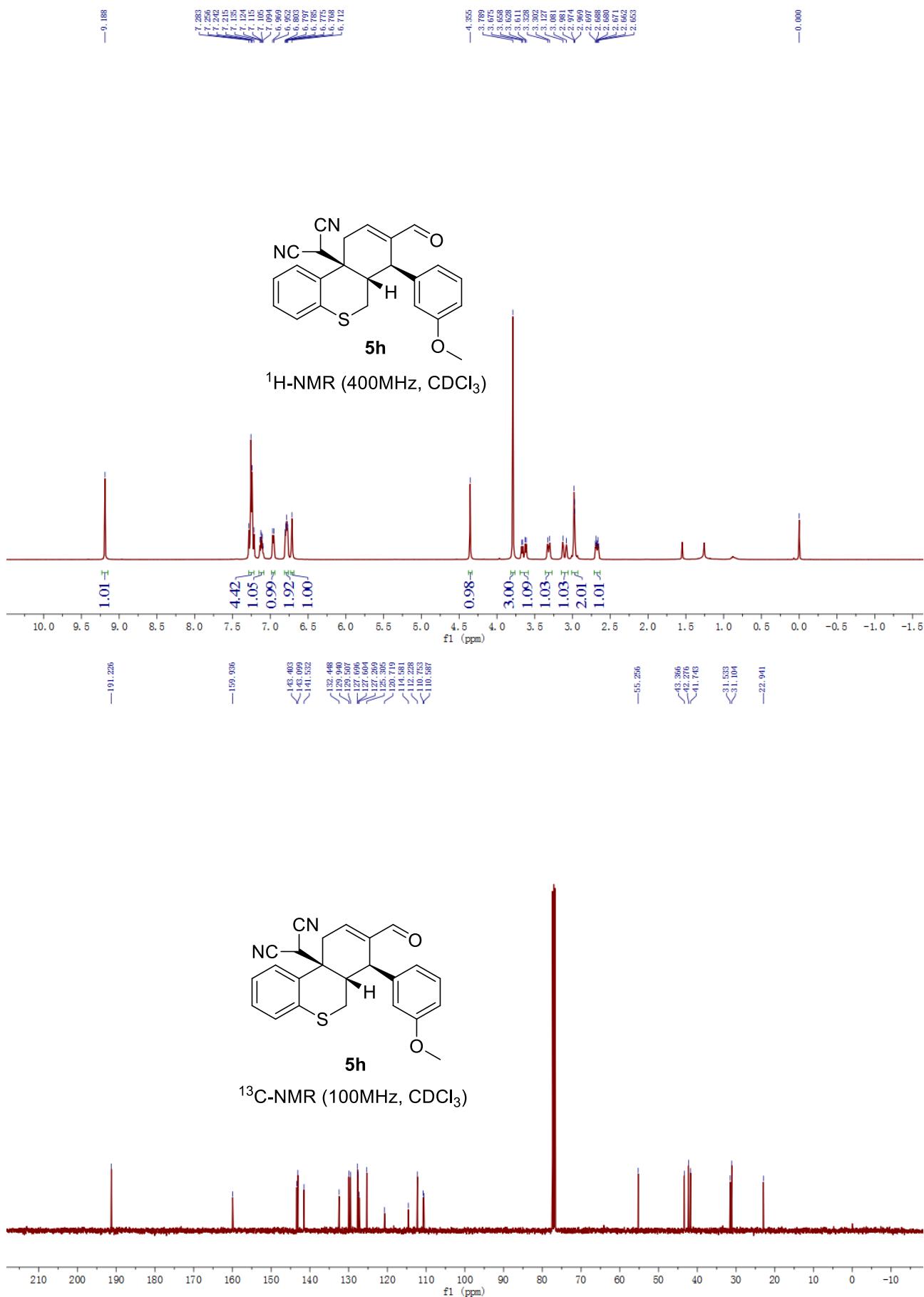
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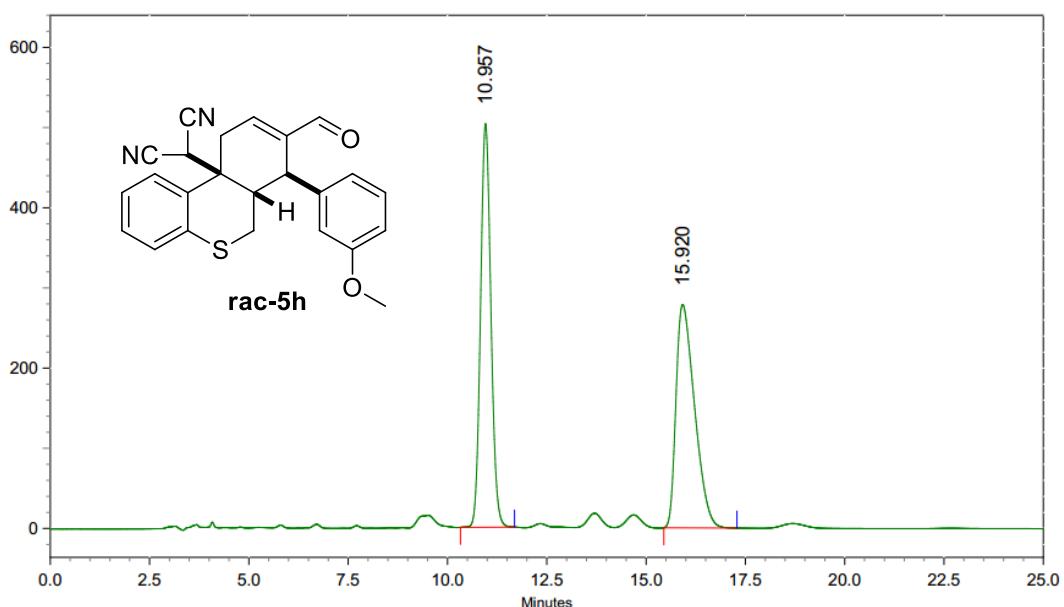
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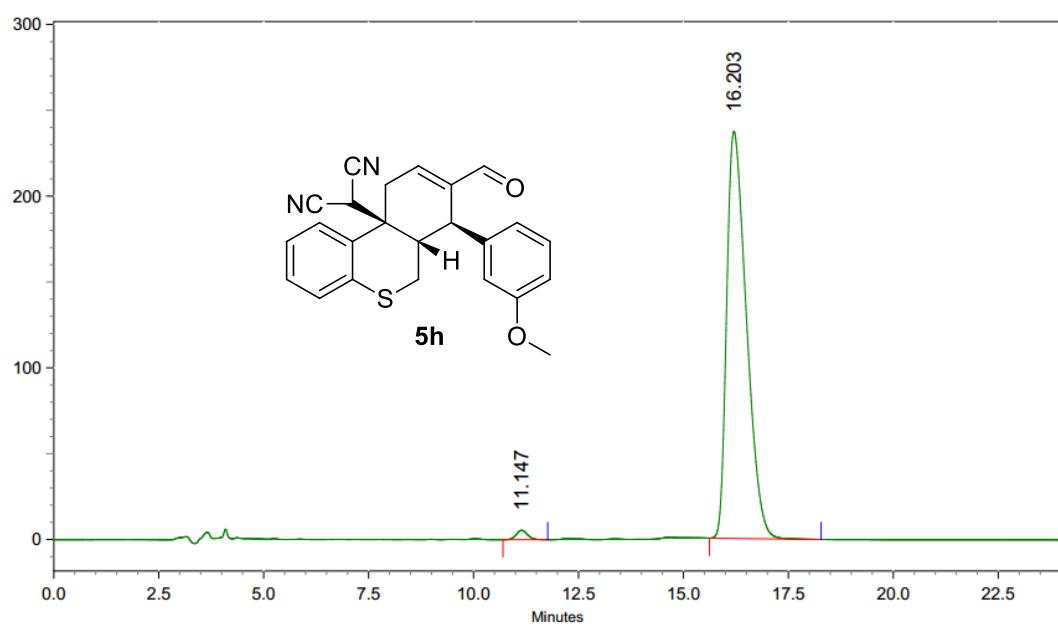






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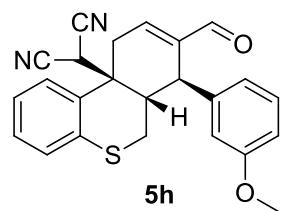
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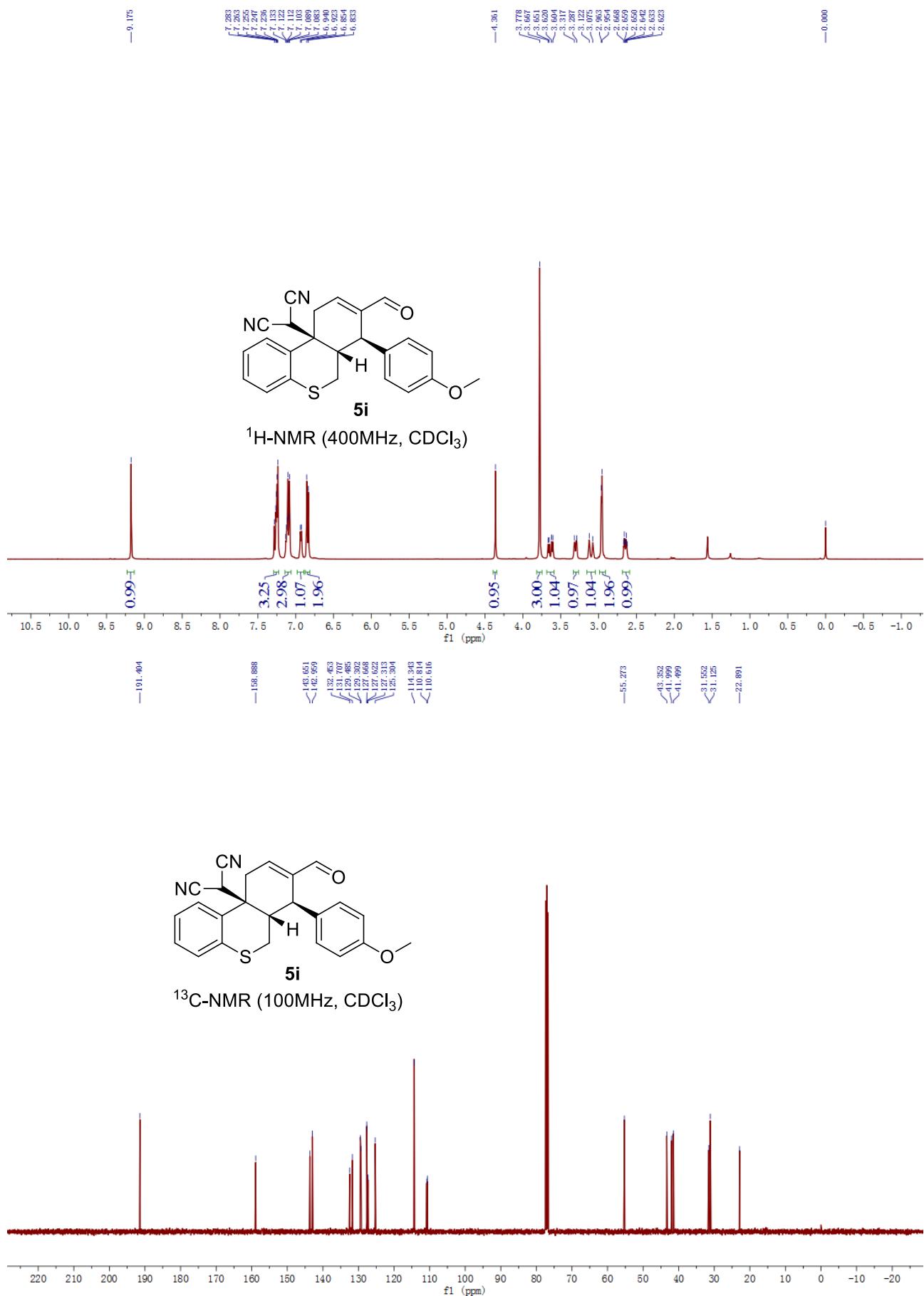
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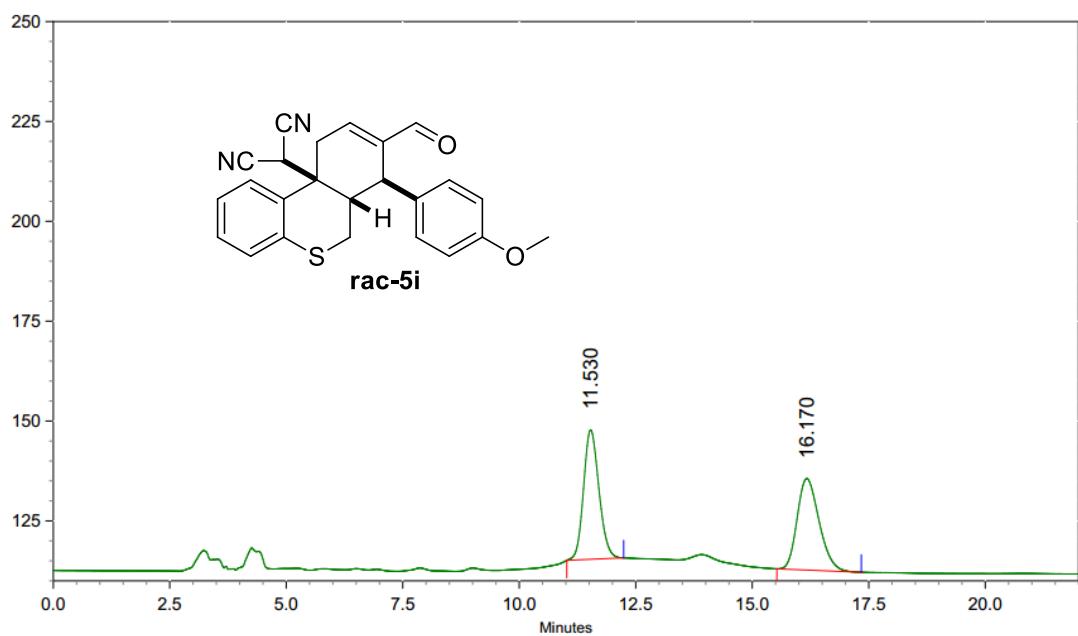
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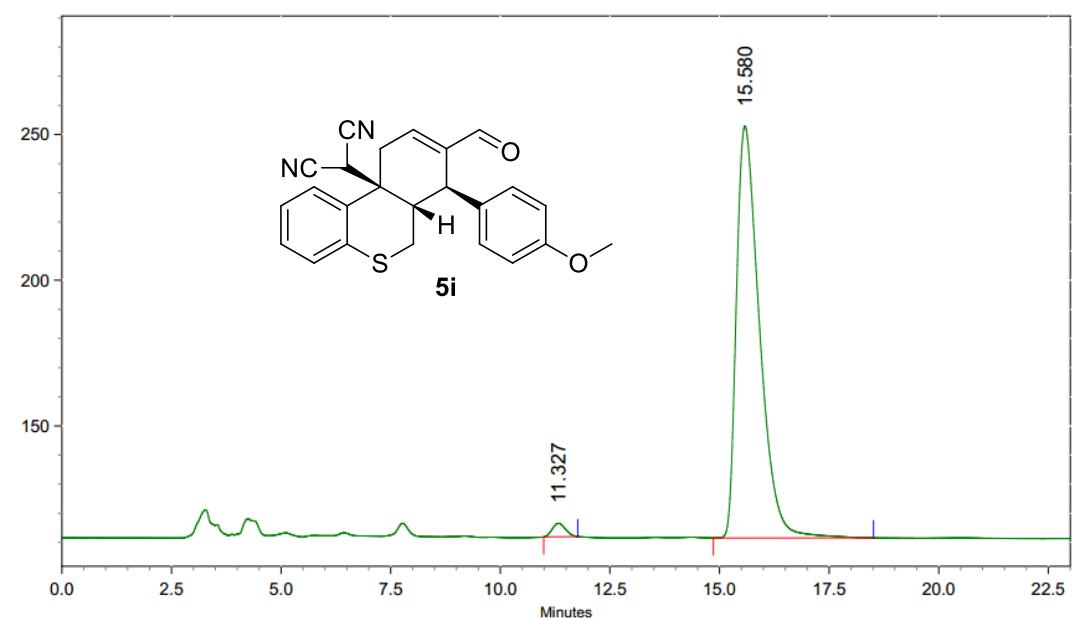






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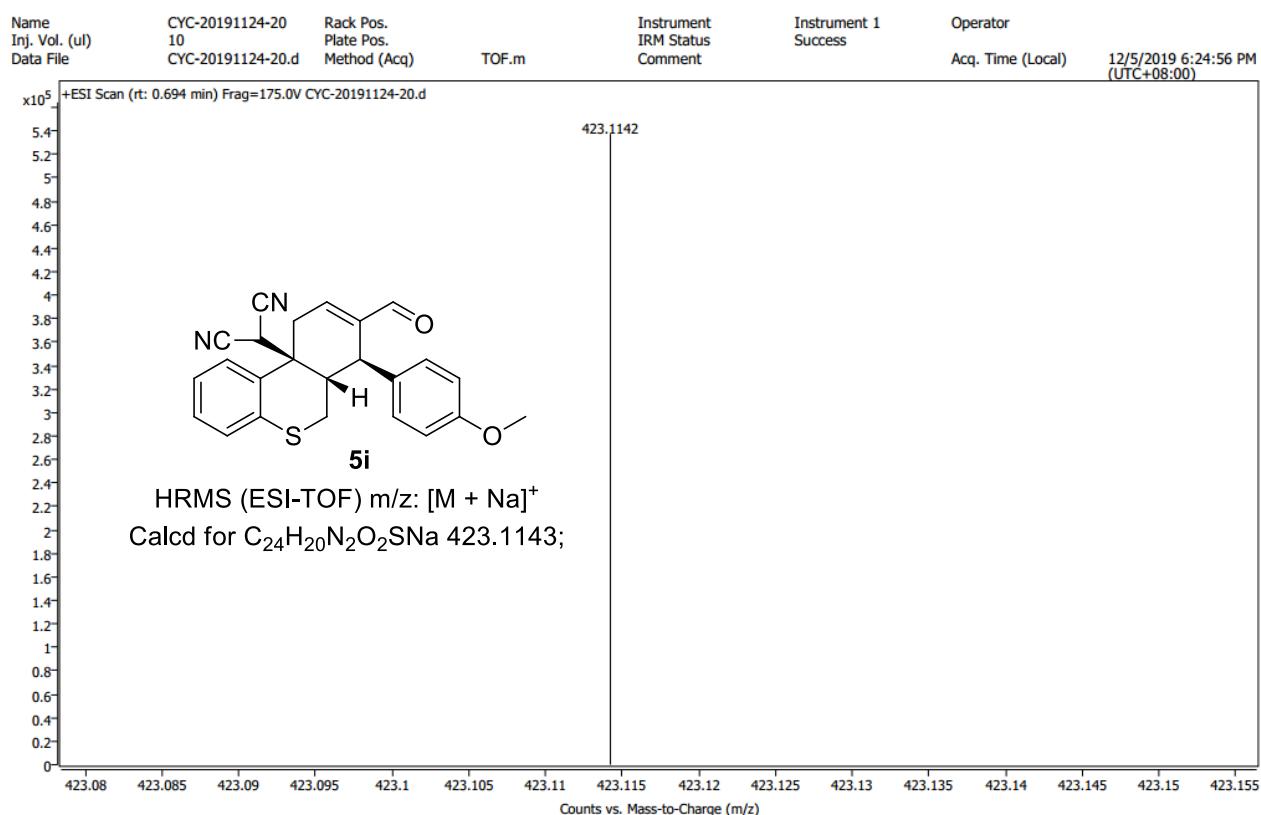


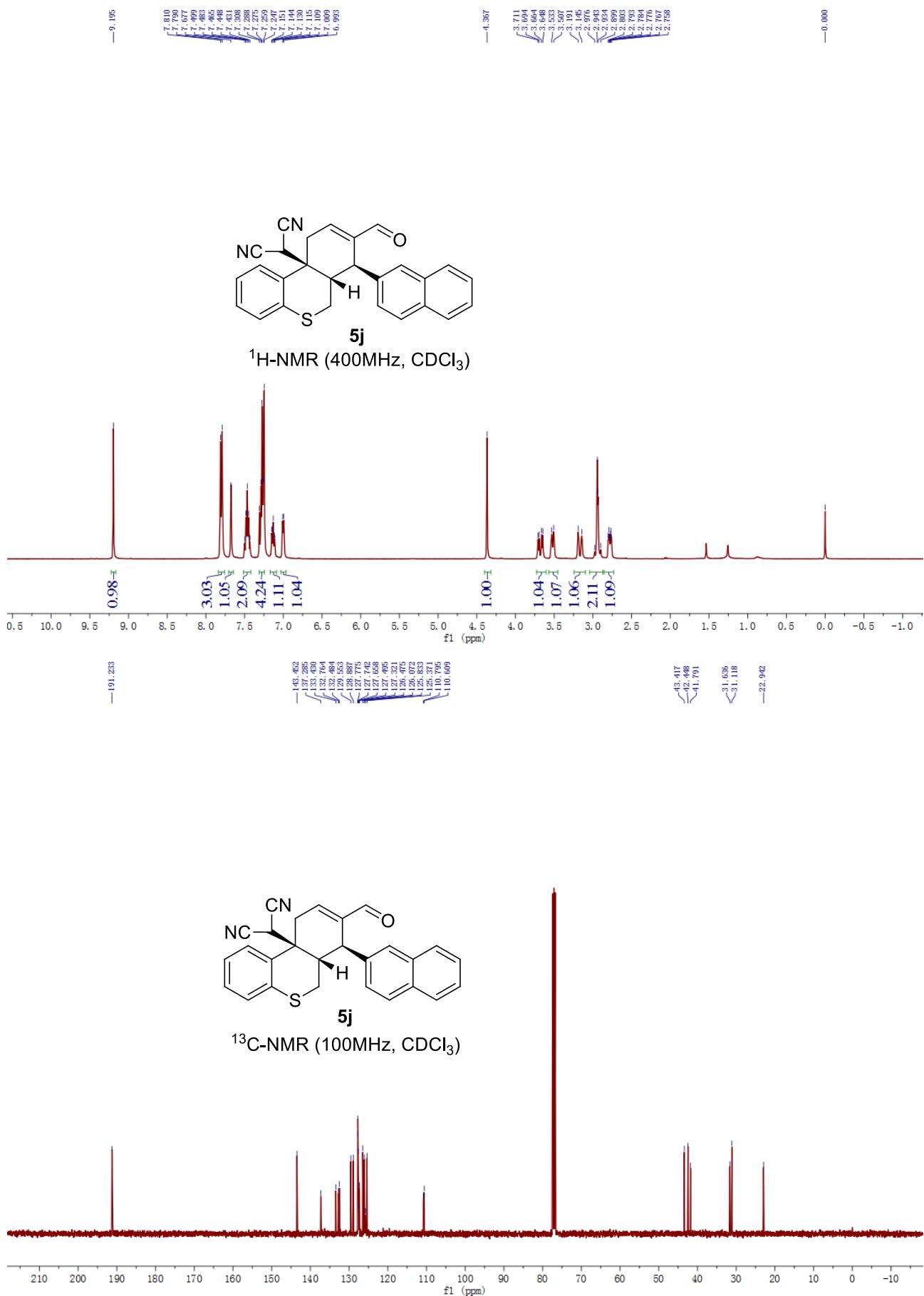
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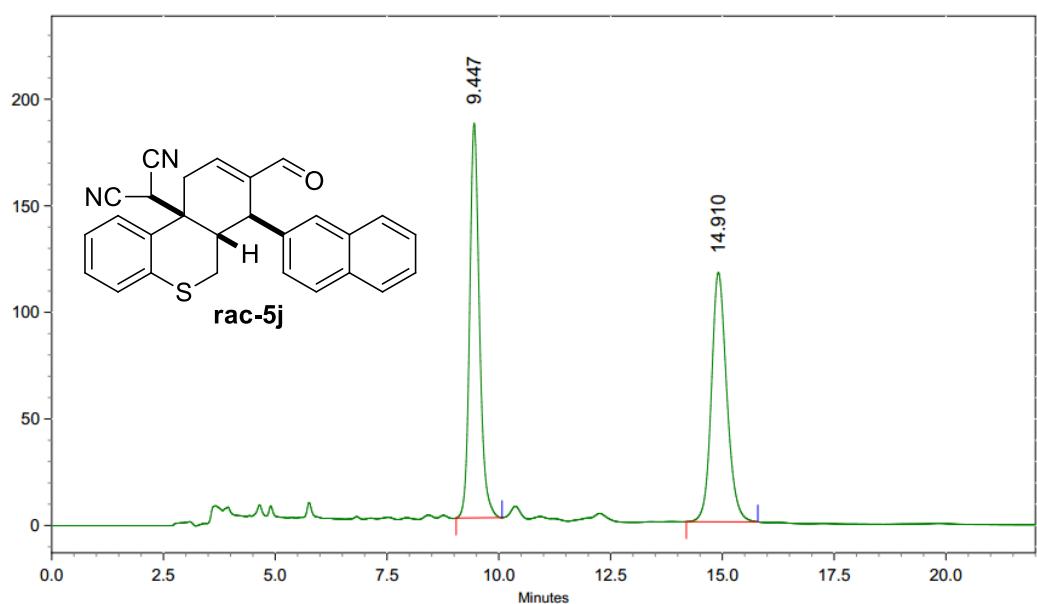
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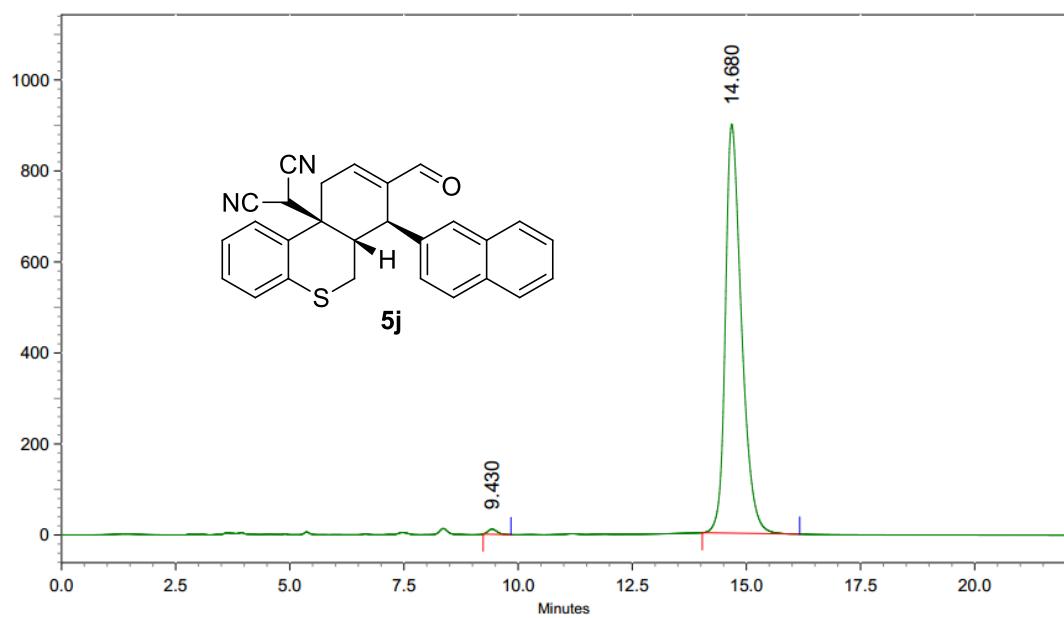






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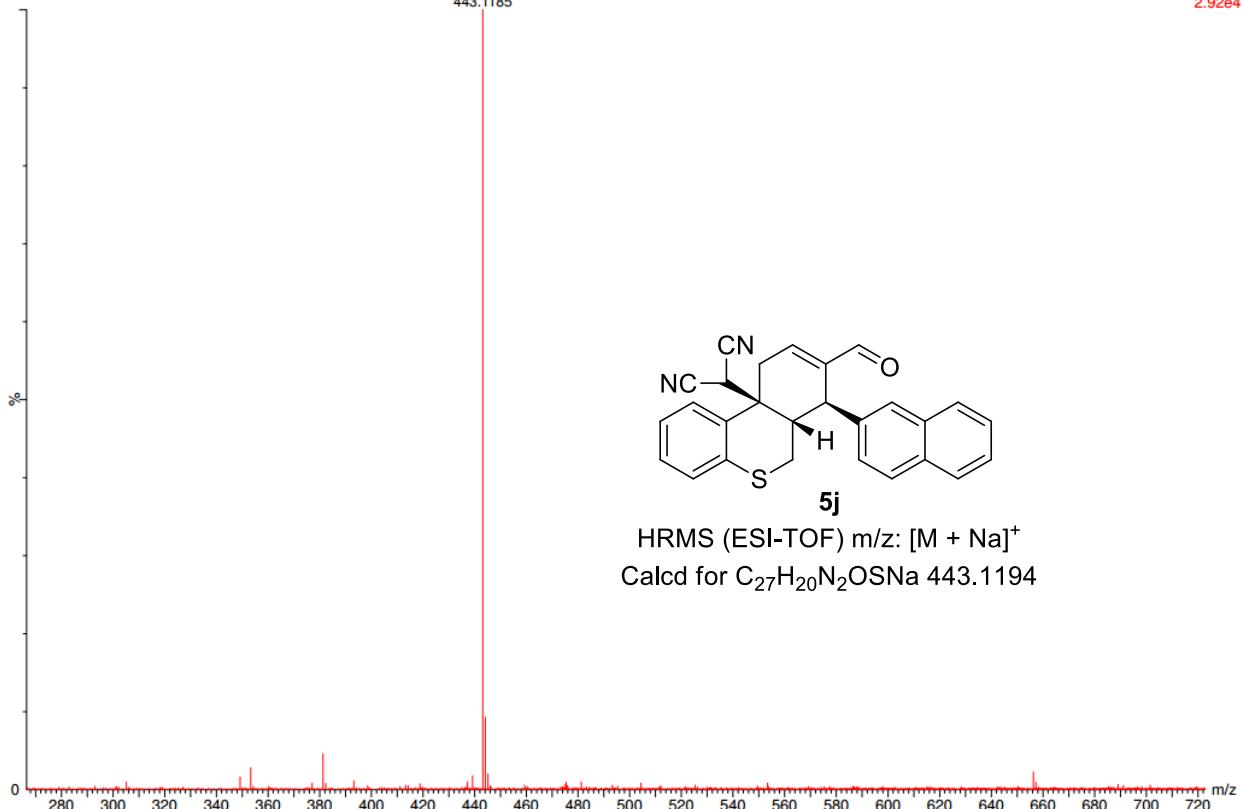
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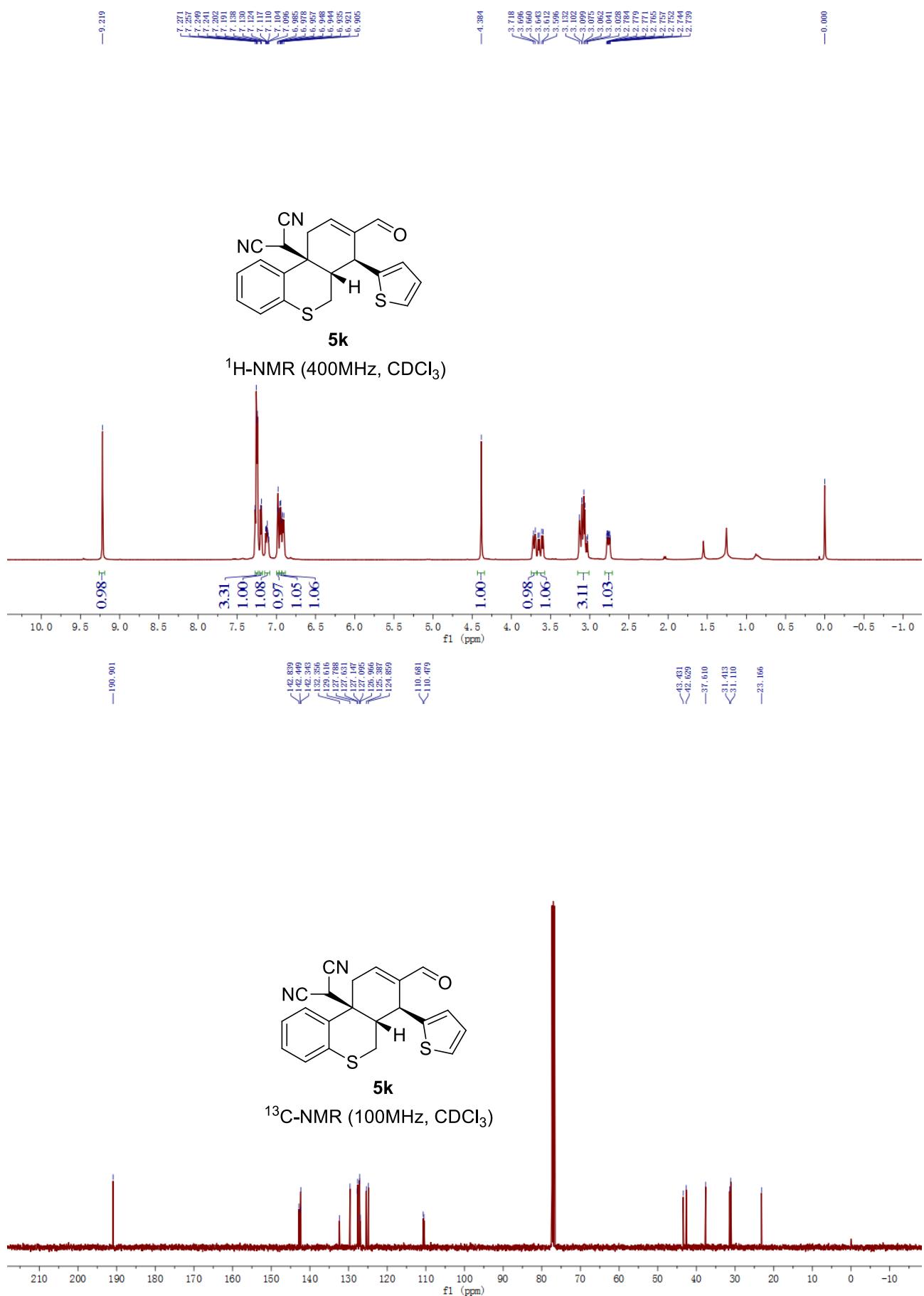
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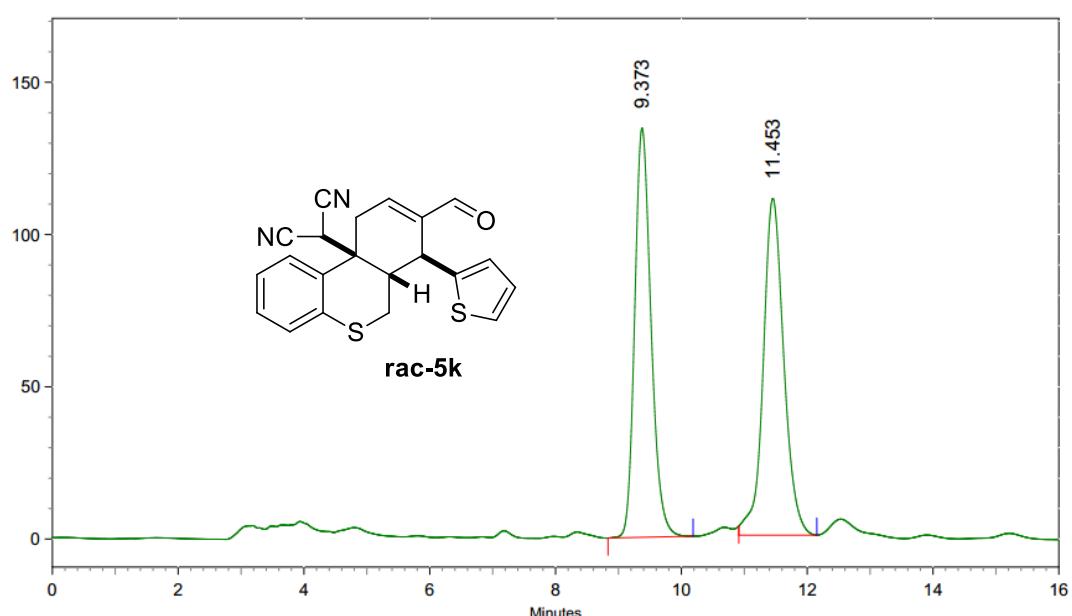
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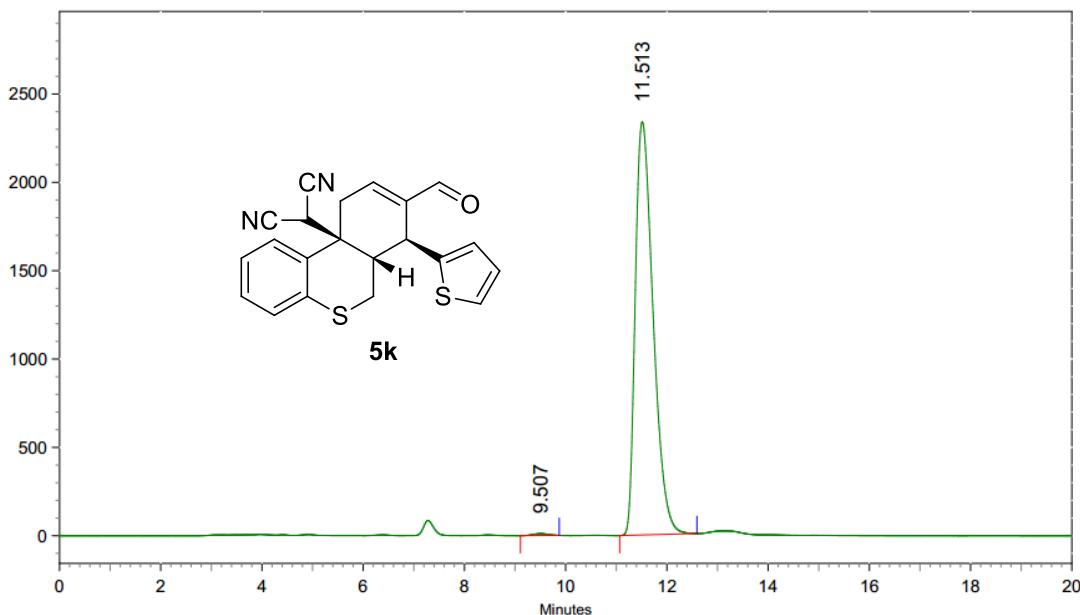






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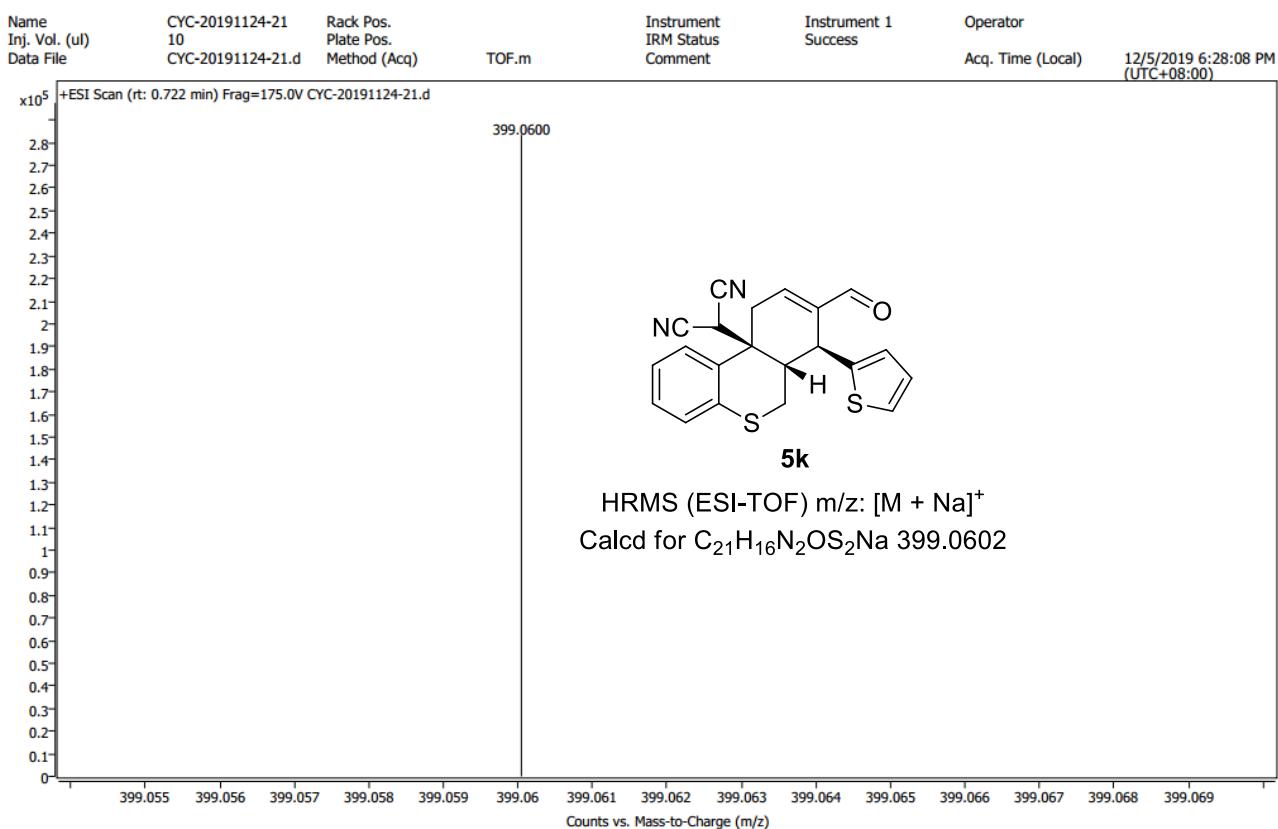


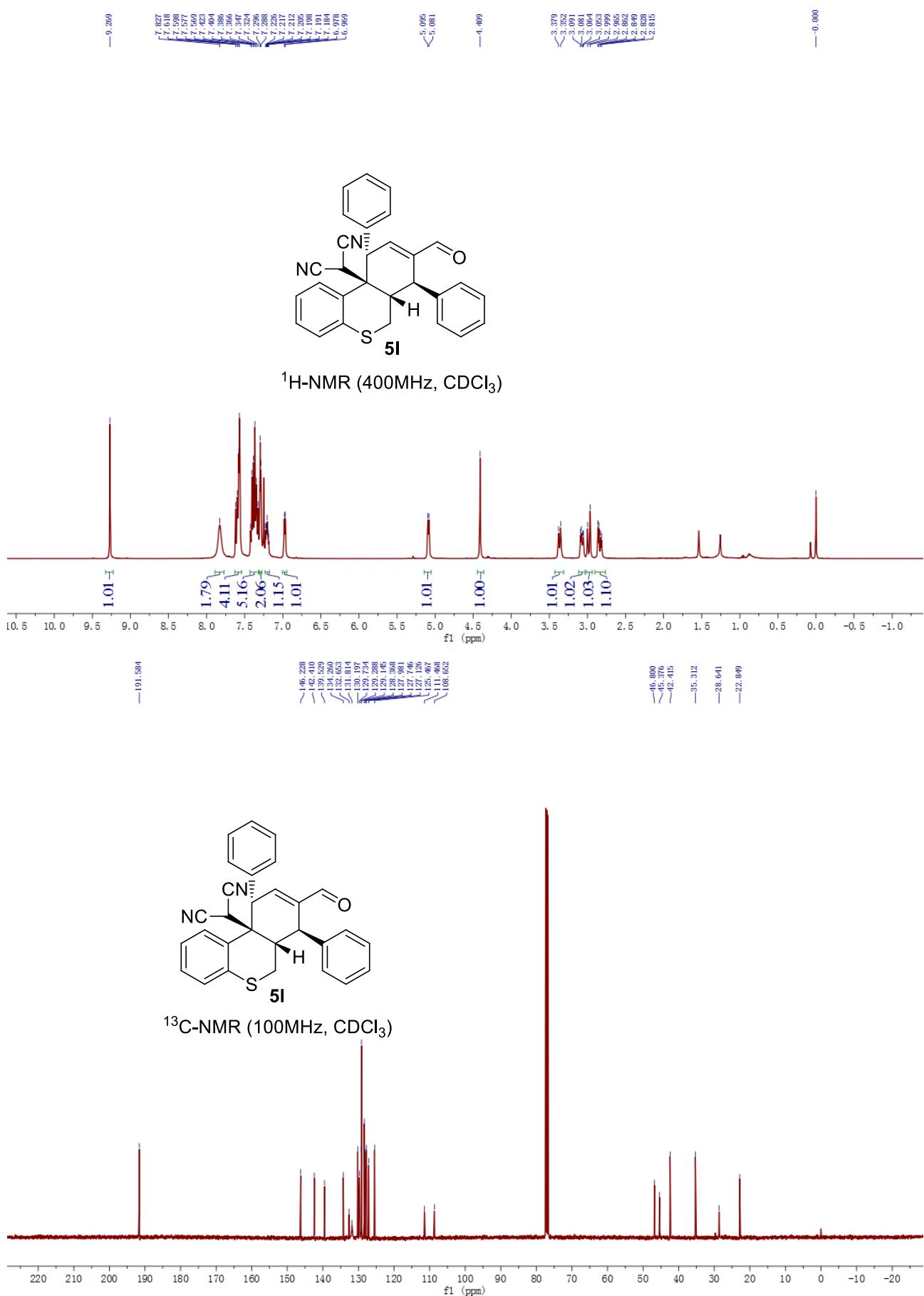
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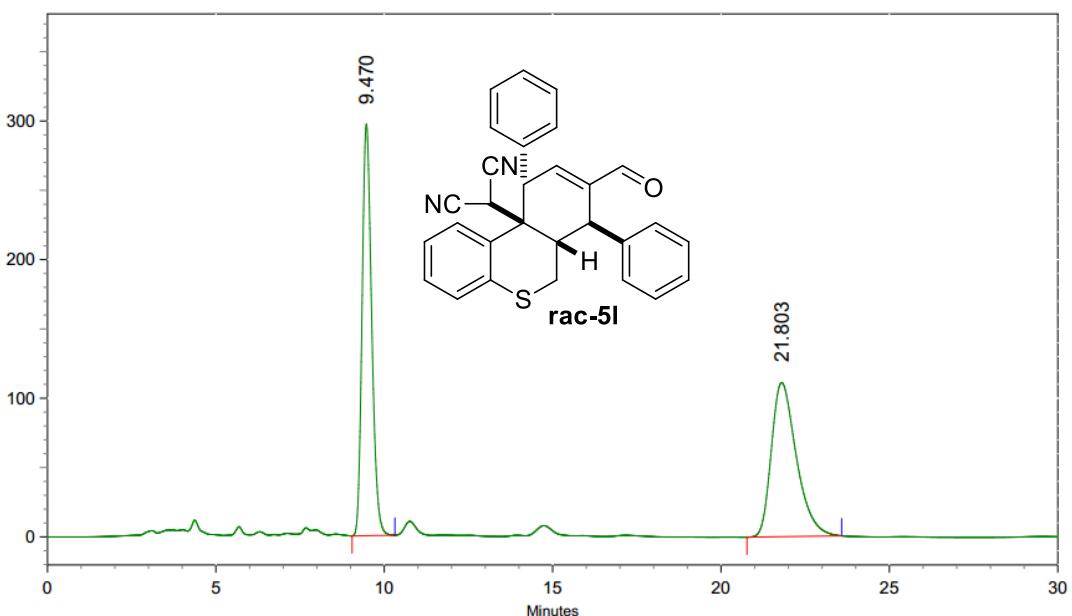
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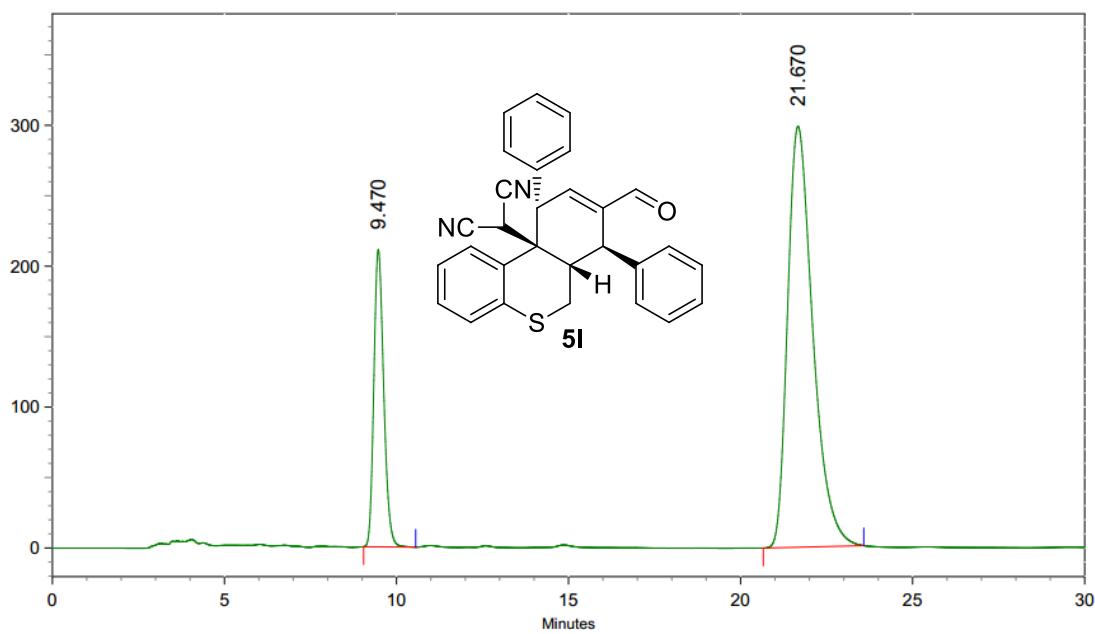






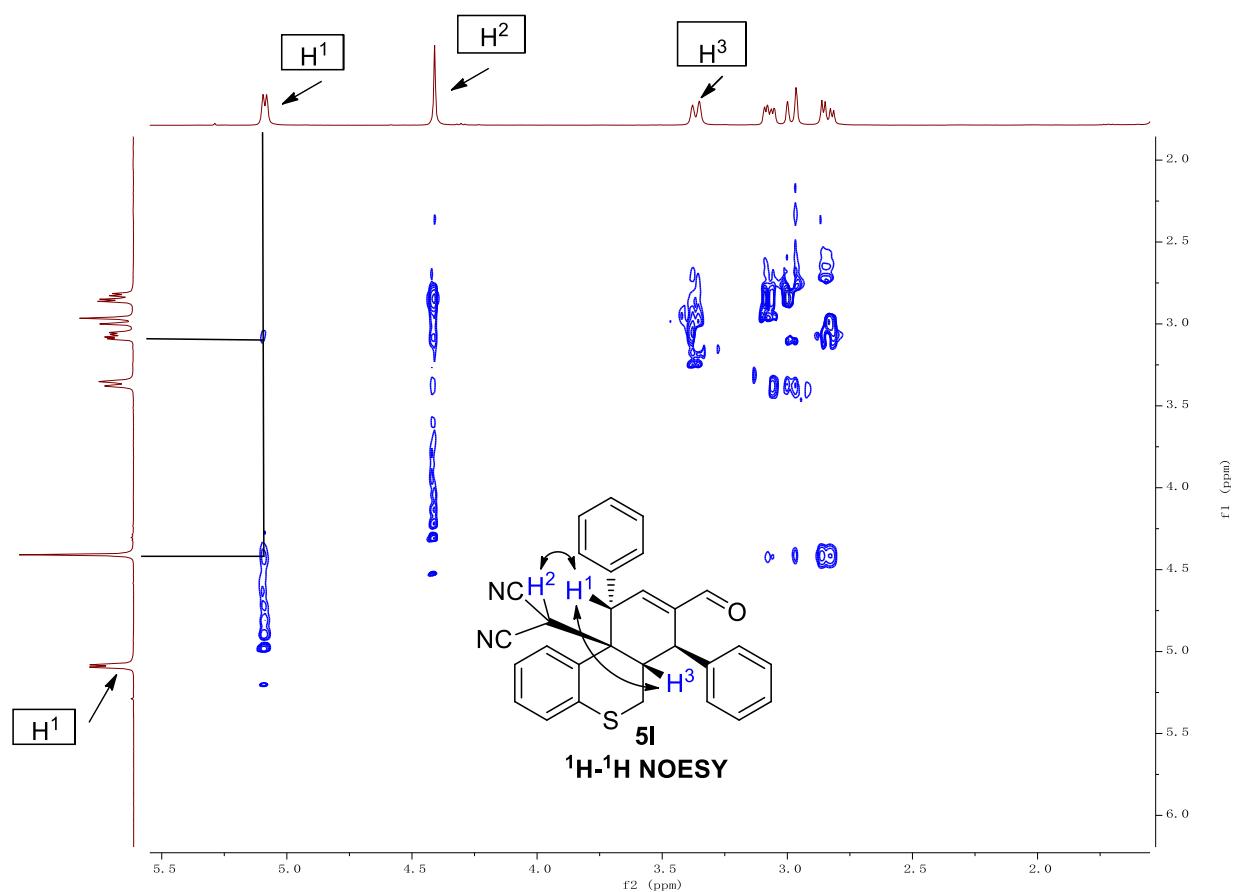
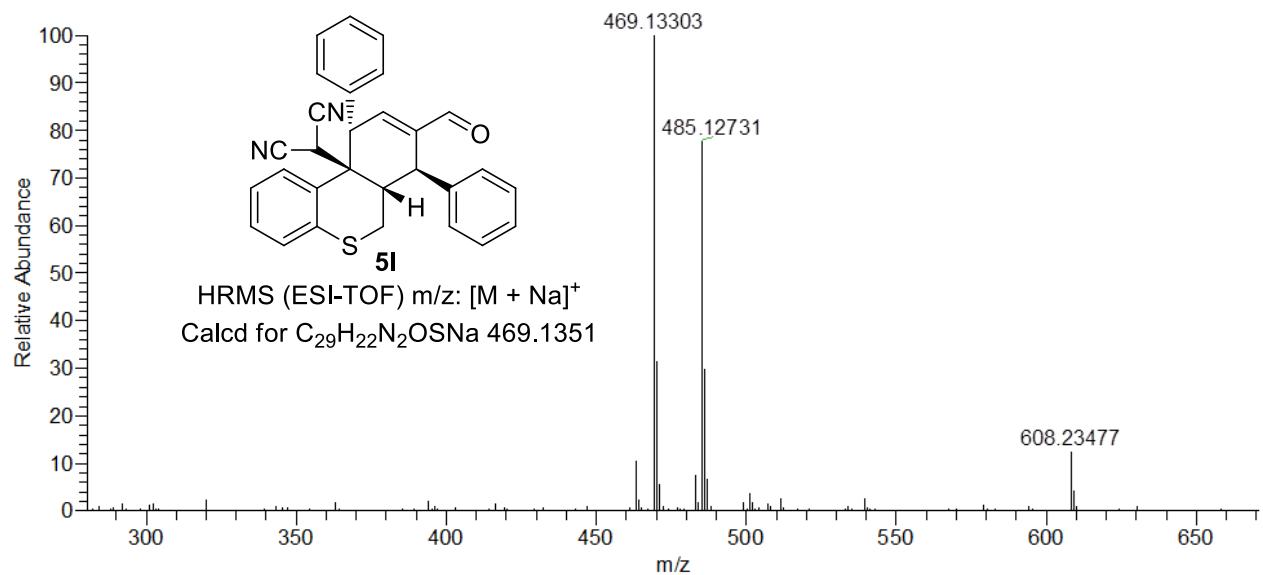
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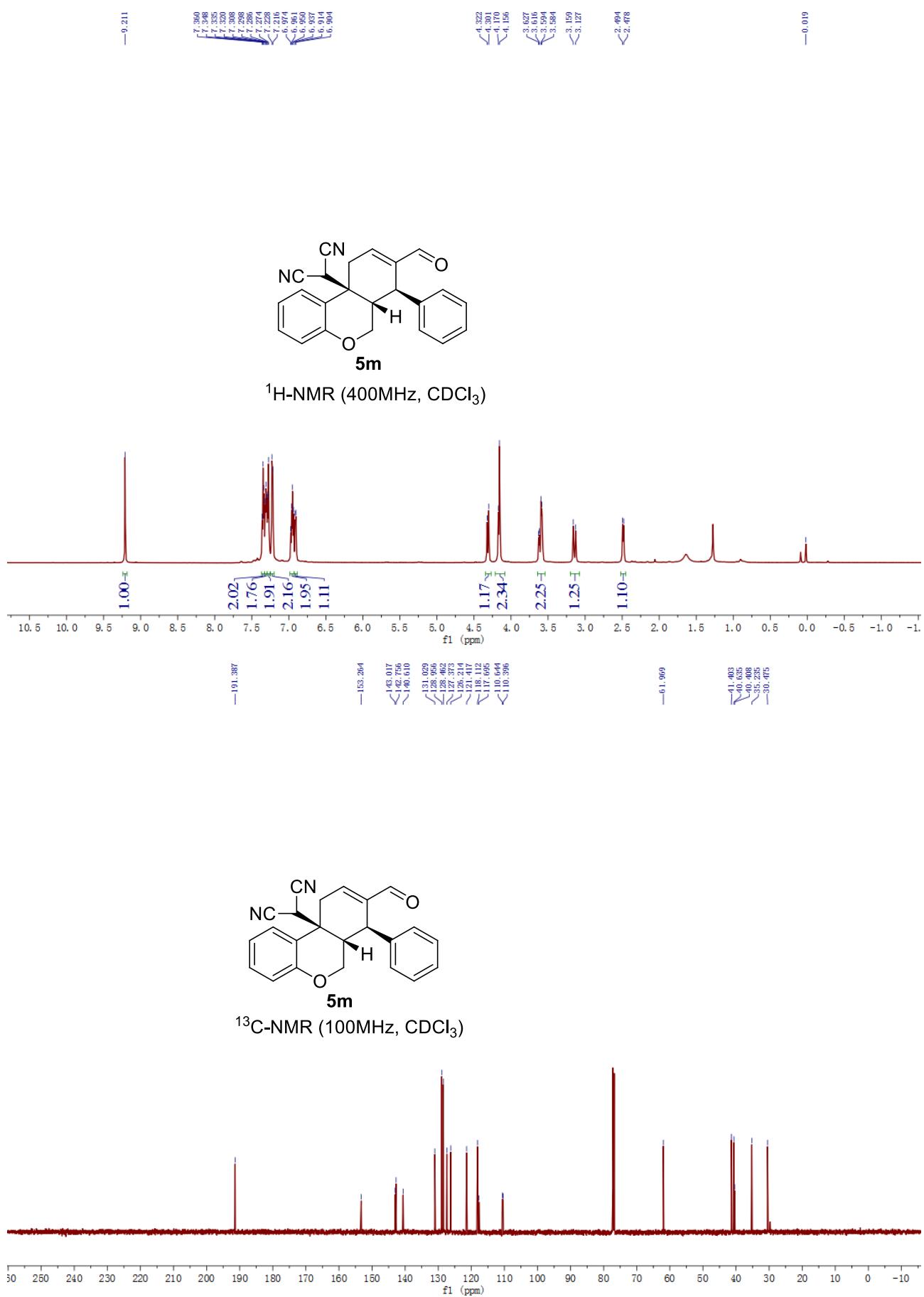
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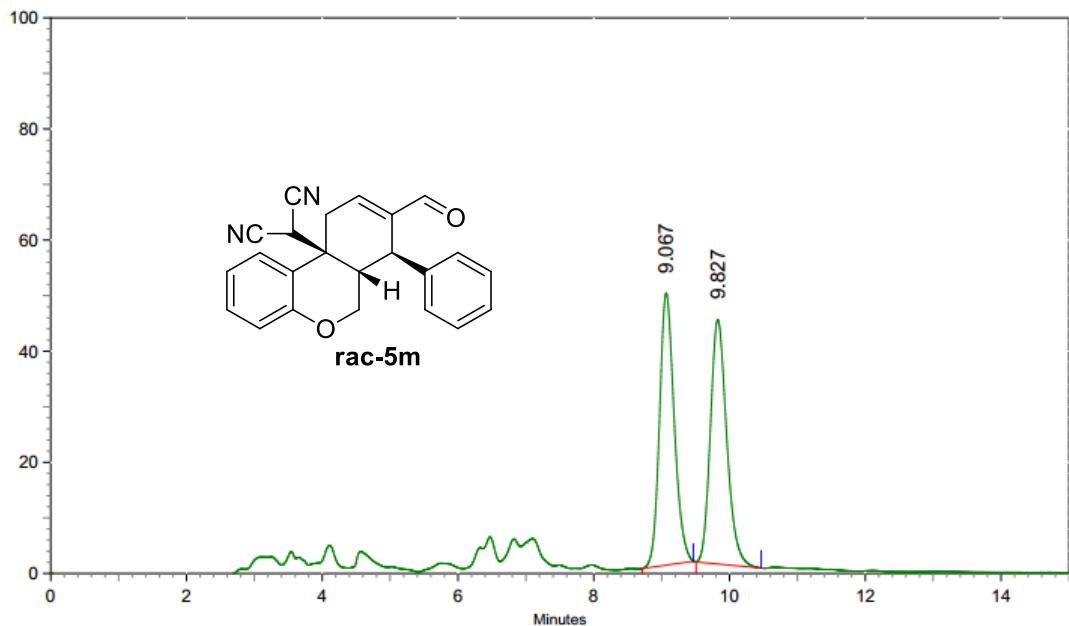


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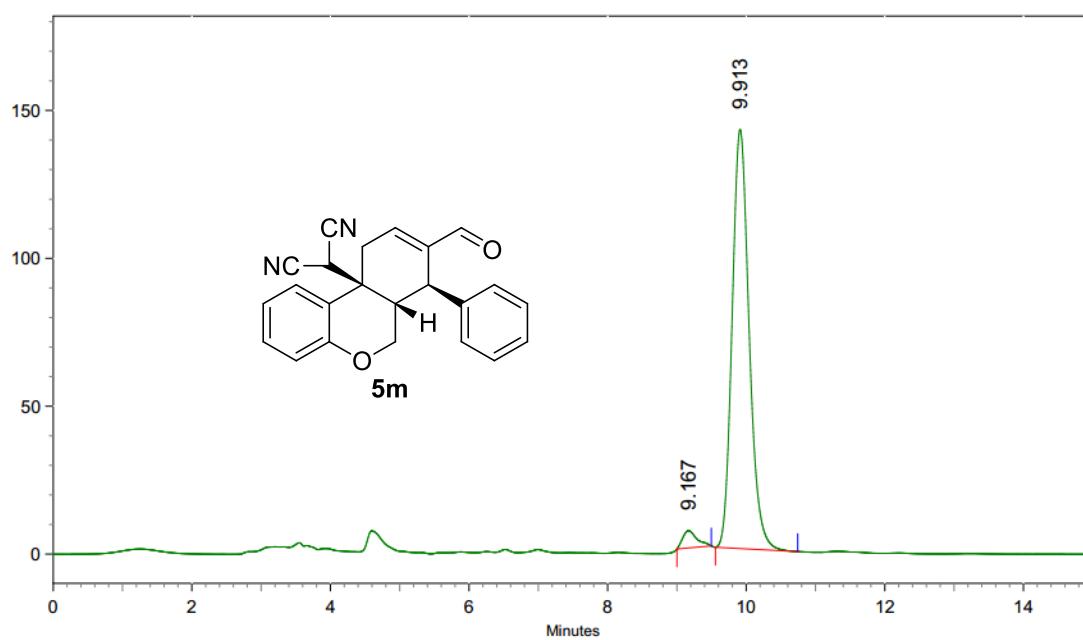






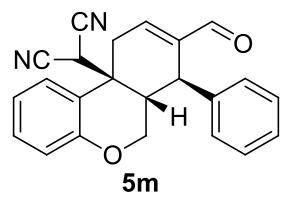
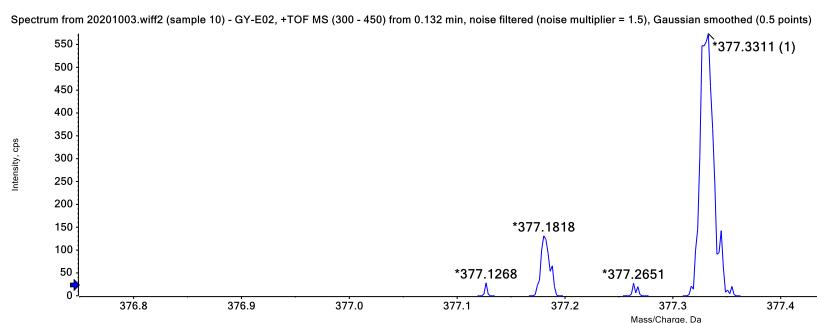
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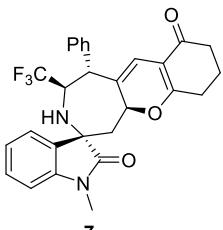


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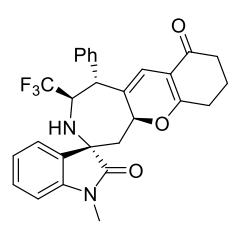
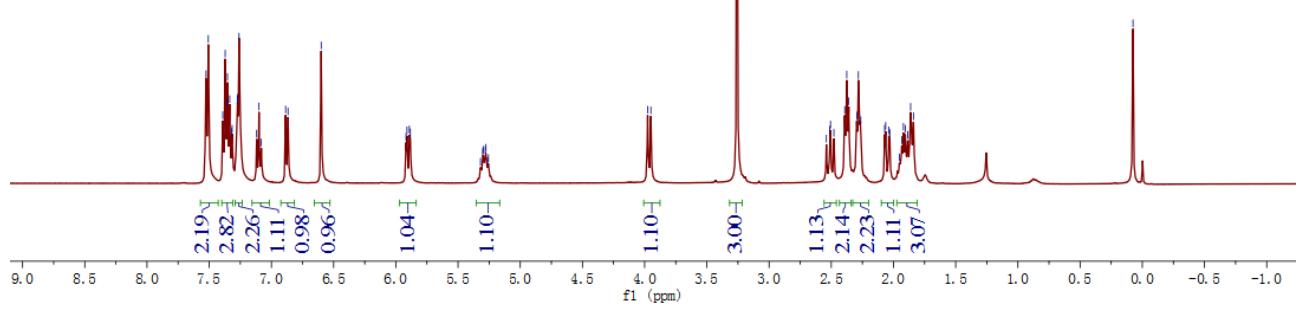
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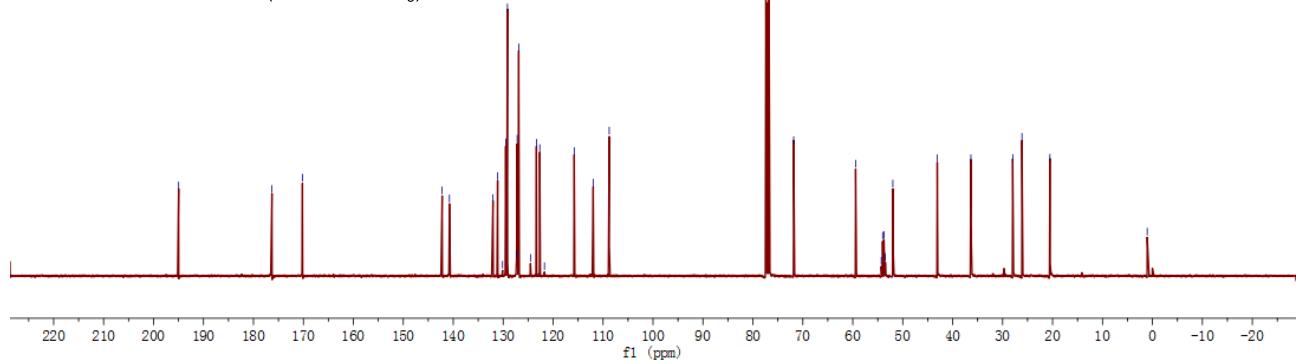
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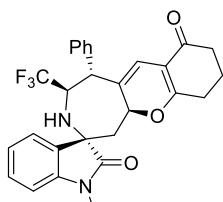
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¹³C-NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃)



— 74.283



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 $^{19}\text{F-NMR}$ (376MHz, CDCl_3)

