

## ***Supporting Information***

### **Oxidative N-heterocyclic carbene catalyzed [3+3] annulation reaction of enals with benzofuran-3-ones: efficient access to benzofuran fused $\delta$ -lactones**

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## 1. General Information

NMR spectra were obtained in CDCl<sub>3</sub> using TMS as the internal standard at 400 (for <sup>1</sup>H NMR) or 100 MHz (for <sup>13</sup>C NMR), respectively. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra: J-values are reported in Hz. Organic solvents used were treated by general methods. Commercially obtained reagents were used without further purification. Column chromatography was performed using Huanghai 300-400 mesh silica gel at increased pressure. HRMS (m/z) were measured using Thermo Scientific™ Q Exactive. The benzofuran-3-one **1**<sup>1</sup> and the NHC precursor **E**<sup>2</sup> were prepared according to literature methods.

1. D. Wu, H. Mei, P. Tan, W. Lu, J. Zhu, W. Wang, J. Huang and J. Li, *Tetrahedron letters*, 2015, **56**, 4383–4387.

2. F. Romanov-Michailidis, C. Besnard and A. Alexakis, *Organic letters*, 2012, **14**, 4906–4909.

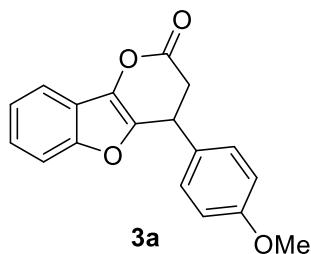
### General procedure for the NHC-catalyzed annulation of benzofuran-3-ones **1** with enals **2**.

Under N<sub>2</sub> atmosphere, benzofuran-3-ones **1** (0.1 mmol),  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated aldehydes **2** (0.12 mmol), NHC precursor **E** (0.01 mmol), DQ (0.12 mmol) and K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (0.01 mmol) were successively added into a 10 ml reaction tube, then dry toluene (1 ml) was added with stirring. The resulting mixture was continuously stirred at rt. After completion and removal of the solvent, the product **3** was obtained by column chromatography on a silica gel column eluting with petroleum ether-ethyl acetate mixture (PE:EA = 5:1) in 47% - 99% yields.

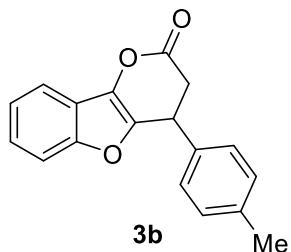
### A typical procedure for one-pot stepwise reaction to obtain benzofuran fused pyraones.

Under standard conditions, the reaction between benzofuran-3-ones **1** and  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated aldehydes **2** was monitored by TLC. After completion DDQ (0.3 mmol) with toluene (1 ml) was added directly into the reaction mixture with stirring. The resulting mixture keeping stir at rt for the required period of time. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the product **4** was obtained by column chromatography on a silica gel column eluting with petroleum ether-ethyl acetate mixture (PE:EA = 5:1) in 93% - 96% yields.

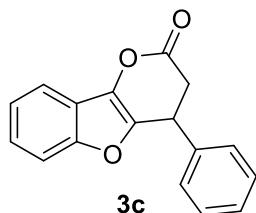
## 2. The data of the products 3, 4



**4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyrano[3,2-*b*]benzofuran-2-one 3a:** white solid, 96%, <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.61 – 7.58 (m, 1H), 7.41 – 7.37 (m, 1H), 7.33 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.14 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.89 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 4.51 (dd, J = 7.5, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.38 (dd, J = 16.3, 7.7 Hz, 1H), 3.09 (dd, J = 16.3, 5.4 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 166.5, 159.3, 153.3, 138.2, 135.3, 131.1, 128.2, 125.1, 123.4, 119.7, 117.8, 114.7, 112.0, 55.4, 37.9, 36.6; HRMS (FT-APCI): [M - H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>13</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: 293.0819; found: 293.0822.

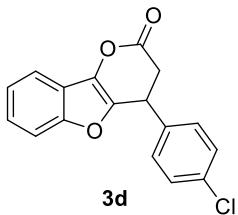


**4-(*p*-tolyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyrano[3,2-*b*]benzofuran-2-one 3b:** white solid, 90%, <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.62 – 7.59 (m, 1H), 7.41 – 7.37 (m, 1H), 7.34 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.17 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.12 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 4.53 (dd, J = 7.7, 5.5 Hz, 1H), 3.39 (dd, J = 16.4, 7.8 Hz, 1H), 3.11 (dd, J = 16.4, 5.5 Hz, 1H), 2.34 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 166.5, 153.3, 138.0, 137.9, 136.1, 135.3, 130.0, 126.9, 125.1, 123.4, 119.7, 117.8, 112.0, 37.8, 37.0, 21.1; HRMS (FT-APCI): [M + H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>15</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: 279.1016; found: 279.1010.

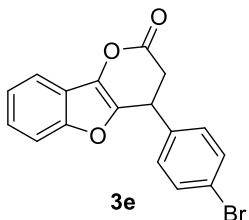


**4-phenyl-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyrano[3,2-*b*]benzofuran-2-one 3c:** white solid, 87%, <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.63 – 7.60 (m, 1H), 7.41 – 7.28 (m, 6H), 7.24 – 7.22 (m, 2H), 4.56 (dd, J = 7.8,

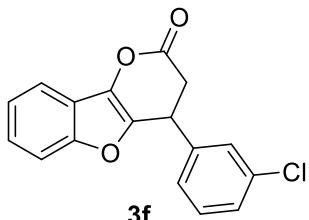
5.3 Hz, 1H), 3.42 (dd,  $J$  = 16.4, 7.9 Hz, 1H), 3.13 (dd,  $J$  = 16.4, 5.3 Hz, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  166.4, 153.4, 139.1, 137.8, 135.5, 129.3, 128.1, 127.1, 125.2, 123.4, 119.7, 117.8, 112.0, 37.7, 37.3; HRMS (FT-APCI): [M - H]<sup>-</sup> calcd for  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{11}\text{O}_3$ : 263.0714; found: 263.0714.



**4-(4-chlorophenyl)-3,4-dihydro-2H-pyrano[3,2-b]benzofuran-2-one 3d:** white solid, 74%,  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.61 (dd,  $J$  = 6.6, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (dd,  $J$  = 7.0, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.36 – 7.29 (m, 4H), 7.17 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 4.55 (dd,  $J$  = 7.8, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 3.41 (dd,  $J$  = 16.4, 7.8 Hz, 1H), 3.09 (dd,  $J$  = 16.4, 5.4 Hz, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  166.0, 153.4, 137.5, 137.1, 135.6, 134.0, 129.5, 128.5, 125.4, 123.5, 119.5, 117.9, 112.1, 37.6, 36.7; HRMS (FT-APCI): [M - H]<sup>-</sup> calcd for  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{10}\text{ClO}_3$ : 297.0324; found: 297.0327.

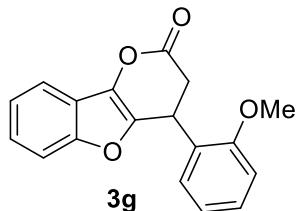


**4-(4-bromophenyl)-3,4-dihydro-2H-pyrano[3,2-b]benzofuran-2-one 3e:** white solid, 73%,  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.62 – 7.60 (m, 1H), 7.50 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.42 – 7.40 (m, 1H), 7.36 – 7.29 (m, 2H), 7.11 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 4.54 (dd,  $J$  = 7.7, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 3.41 (dd,  $J$  = 16.4, 7.8 Hz, 1H), 3.08 (dd,  $J$  = 16.4, 5.4 Hz, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  166.0, 153.4, 138.1, 137.0, 135.7, 132.5, 128.8, 125.4, 123.6, 122.1, 119.5, 117.9, 112.1, 37.5, 36.8; HRMS (FT-APCI): [M - H]<sup>-</sup> calcd for  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{10}\text{BrO}_3$ : 340.9819; found: 340.9820.

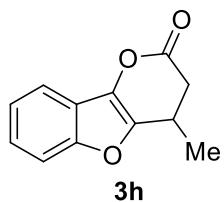


**4-(3-chlorophenyl)-3,4-dihydro-2H-pyrano[3,2-b]benzofuran-2-one 3f:** white solid, 64%,  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.63 – 7.61 (m, 1H), 7.43 – 7.41 (m, 1H), 7.37 – 7.28 (m, 4H), 7.22 (s, 1H), 7.13 – 7.09 (m, 1H), 4.55 (dd,  $J$  = 7.9, 5.3 Hz, 1H), 3.42 (dd,  $J$  = 16.4, 7.9 Hz, 1H), 3.11 (dd,

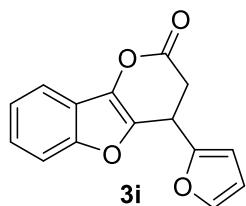
$J = 16.4, 5.2$  Hz, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  165.9, 153.4, 141.0, 136.8, 135.8, 135.2, 130.6, 128.4, 127.4, 125.5, 125.2, 123.6, 119.5, 118.0, 112.1, 37.4, 37.0; HRMS (FT-ESI): [M + H] $^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{12}\text{ClO}_3$ : 299.0469; found: 299.0463.



**4-(2-methoxyphenyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyrano[3,2-*b*]benzofuran-2-one 3g:** white solid, 88%,  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.62 – 7.60 (m, 1H), 7.38 – 7.53 (m, 1H), 7.30 – 7.27 (m, 3H), 7.13 – 7.11 (m, 1H), 6.92 (t,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 1H), 6.88 (d,  $J = 8.2$  Hz, 1H), 4.64 (dd,  $J = 8.9, 2.6$  Hz, 1H), 3.77 (s, 3H), 3.35 (dd,  $J = 16.7, 8.9$  Hz, 1H), 3.08 (dd,  $J = 16.7, 2.7$  Hz, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  166.9, 157.1, 153.2, 137.0, 135.2, 129.4, 128.9, 127.4, 124.8, 123.2, 120.9, 119.9, 117.7, 111.9, 111.0, 54.8, 35.8, 34.2; HRMS (FT-APCI): [M + H] $^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{15}\text{O}_4$ : 295.0965; found: 295.0961.

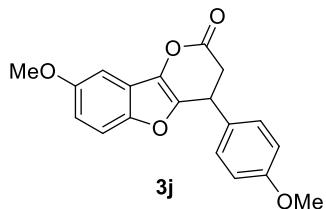


**4-methyl-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyrano[3,2-*b*]benzofuran-2-one 3h:** white solid, 98%,  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.56 – 7.54 (m, 1H), 7.44 – 7.42 (m, 1H), 7.33 – 7.25 (m, 2H), 3.53 – 3.39 (m, 1H), 3.14 (dd,  $J = 16.2, 6.9$  Hz, 1H), 2.73 (dd,  $J = 16.2, 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 1.44 (d,  $J = 6.9$  Hz, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  167.2, 153.0, 140.5, 133.9, 124.8, 123.3, 119.8, 117.6, 111.8, 37.3, 26.2, 18.5; HRMS (FT-APCI): [M + H] $^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{11}\text{O}_3$ : 203.0703; found: 203.0700.

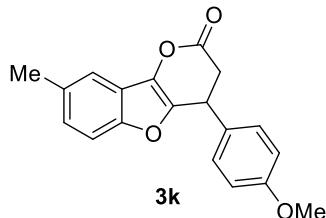


**4-(furan-2-yl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyrano[3,2-*b*]benzofuran-2-one 3i:** white solid, 98%,  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.60 (d,  $J = 7.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.44 (d,  $J = 7.9$  Hz, 1H), 7.39 (d,  $J = 0.9$  Hz, 1H), 7.36 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 6.33 (dd,  $J = 3.0, 1.9$  Hz, 1H), 6.21 (d,  $J = 3.2$  Hz, 1H), 4.65 (dd,  $J = 7.3, 4.9$

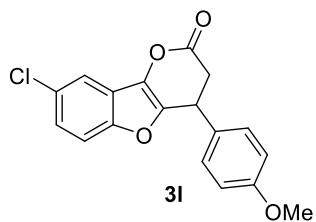
Hz, 1H), 3.32 (qd,  $J = 16.3, 6.1$  Hz, 2H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  166.0, 153.3, 151.0, 142.9, 135.5, 135.3, 125.4, 123.5, 119.6, 117.9, 112.1, 110.6, 107.0, 34.7, 31.2; HRMS (FT-APCI): [M + H] $^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{11}\text{O}_4$ : 255.0652; found: 255.0646.



**8-methoxy-4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3,4-dihydro-2H-pyrano[3,2-b]benzofuran-2-one 3j:** white solid, 89%,  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.29 – 7.26 (m, 1H), 7.13 (d,  $J = 8.6$  Hz, 2H), 7.03 (d,  $J = 2.4$  Hz, 1H), 6.91 – 6.87 (m, 3H), 4.49 (dd,  $J = 7.4, 5.8$  Hz, 1H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.37 (dd,  $J = 16.4, 7.7$  Hz, 1H), 3.07 (dd,  $J = 16.4, 5.5$  Hz, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  166.5, 159.3, 156.3, 148.2, 139.0, 135.3, 131.0, 128.2, 120.0, 114.6, 114.2, 112.7, 99.7, 55.9, 55.4, 38.0, 36.6; HRMS (FT-APCI): [M + H] $^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{17}\text{O}_5$ : 325.1071; found: 325.1067.

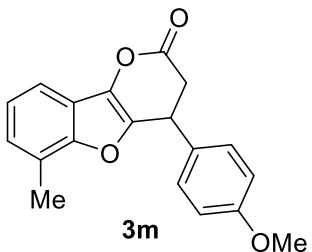


**4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-8-methyl-3,4-dihydro-2H-pyrano[3,2-b]benzofuran-2-one 3k:** white solid, 62%,  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.38 (s, 1H), 7.27 (d,  $J = 8.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.14 – 7.10 (m, 3H), 6.88 (d,  $J = 8.6$  Hz, 2H), 4.49 (dd,  $J = 7.5, 5.6$  Hz, 1H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.37 (dd,  $J = 16.3, 7.7$  Hz, 1H), 3.07 (dd,  $J = 16.3, 5.5$  Hz, 1H), 2.45 (s, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  166.6, 159.3, 151.8, 138.2, 135.0, 133.1, 131.1, 128.2, 126.4, 119.7, 117.5, 114.6, 111.5, 55.4, 38.0, 36.6, 21.4; HRMS (FT-APCI): [M + H] $^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{17}\text{O}_4$ : 309.1121; found: 309.1115.

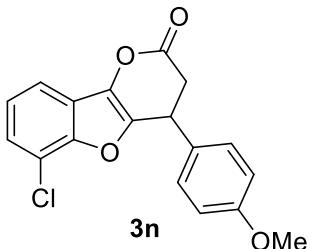


**8-chloro-4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3,4-dihydro-2H-pyrano[3,2-b]benzofuran-2-one 3l:** white solid, 52%,  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.56 (d,  $J = 1.8$  Hz, 1H), 7.31 (d,  $J = 8.8$  Hz, 1H), 7.28 – 7.24 (m, 1H), 7.13 (d,  $J = 8.6$  Hz, 2H), 6.89 (d,  $J = 8.6$  Hz, 2H), 4.51 (dd,  $J = 7.5, 5.7$  Hz, 1H), 3.79 (s,

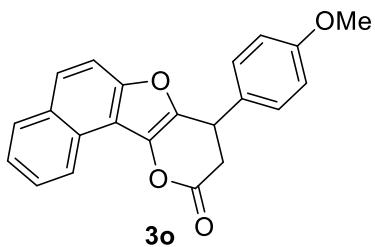
3H), 3.38 (dd,  $J = 16.4, 7.7$  Hz, 1H), 3.09 (dd,  $J = 16.4, 5.5$  Hz, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  166.0, 159.4, 151.6, 139.9, 134.6, 130.6, 129.2, 128.1, 125.4, 120.9, 117.5, 114.7, 113.1, 55.4, 37.8, 36.6; HRMS (FT-APCI): [M - H] $^-$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{12}\text{ClO}_4^-$ : 327.0430; found: 327.0432.



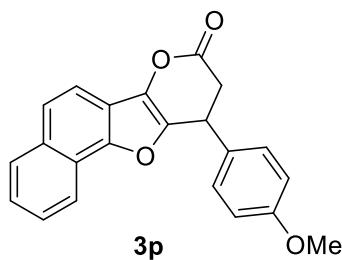
**4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-6-methyl-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyrano[3,2-*b*]benzofuran-2-one 3m:** white solid, 99%,  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.43 (d,  $J = 7.7$  Hz, 1H), 7.19 (t,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.14 – 7.11 (m, 3H), 6.88 (d,  $J = 8.5$  Hz, 2H), 4.50 (dd,  $J = 7.7, 4.6$  Hz, 1H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.38 (dd,  $J = 16.3, 7.9$  Hz, 1H), 3.07 (dd,  $J = 16.3, 4.5$  Hz, 1H), 2.43 (s, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  166.7, 159.2, 152.3, 137.9, 135.6, 131.4, 128.1, 126.1, 123.4, 122.2, 119.2, 115.2, 114.6, 55.4, 38.1, 36.52, 14.7; HRMS (FT-APCI): [M + H] $^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{17}\text{O}_4^+$ : 309.1121; found: 309.1115.



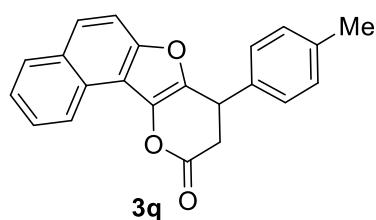
**6-chloro-4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyrano[3,2-*b*]benzofuran-2-one 3n:** white solid, 70%,  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.51 (d,  $J = 7.7$  Hz, 1H), 7.33 (d,  $J = 7.7$  Hz, 1H), 7.23 (t,  $J = 7.9$  Hz, 1H), 7.14 (d,  $J = 8.5$  Hz, 2H), 6.89 (d,  $J = 8.5$  Hz, 2H), 4.55 (dd,  $J = 7.8, 4.3$  Hz, 1H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.40 (dd,  $J = 16.3, 7.9$  Hz, 1H), 3.11 (dd,  $J = 16.3, 4.3$  Hz, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  166.1, 159.4, 149.0, 139.4, 135.4, 130.8, 128.0, 125.4, 124.3, 121.3, 117.5, 116.4, 114.7, 55.4, 37.8, 36.4; HRMS (FT-APCI): [M - H] $^-$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{12}\text{ClO}_4^-$ : 327.0430; found: 327.0433.



**8-(4-methoxyphenyl)-8,9-dihydro-10*H*-naphtho[1',2':4,5]furo[3,2-*b*]pyran-10-one 3o:** white solid, 76%, <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.48 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.93 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.72 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.55 – 7.51 (m, 2H), 7.17 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 6.90 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 4.59 (dd, *J* = 7.4, 5.8 Hz, 1H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.44 (dd, *J* = 16.3, 7.7 Hz, 1H), 3.14 (dd, *J* = 16.3, 5.5 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 166.7, 159.3, 150.9, 137.34, 137.30, 131.3, 130.4, 128.4, 128.2, 126.9, 126.3, 126.0, 125.2, 124.4, 114.7, 113.8, 112.6, 55.4, 38.0, 36.7; HRMS (FT-APCI): [M + H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>17</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: 345.1121; found: 345.1116.

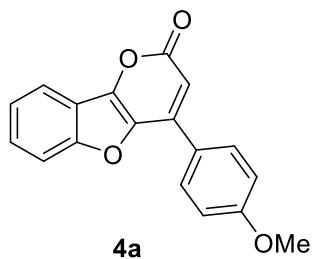


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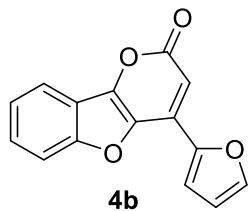


**8-(*p*-tolyl)-8,9-dihydro-10*H*-naphtho[1',2':4,5]furo[3,2-*b*]pyran-10-one 3q:** white solid, 64%, <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.48 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.94 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.72 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.65 – 7.61 (m, 1H), 7.55 – 7.51 (m, 2H), 7.17 (q, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 4H), 4.61 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 3.45 (dd, *J* = 16.3, 7.7 Hz, 1H), 3.16 (dd, *J* = 16.3, 5.5 Hz, 1H), 2.34 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 166.6, 150.9, 137.9, 137.4, 137.2, 136.3, 130.4, 130.0, 128.4, 127.0, 126.9,

126.3, 126.0, 125.2, 124.4, 113.8, 112.6, 37.8, 37.1, 21.1; HRMS (FT-APCI): [M + H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>17</sub>O<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup>: 329.1172; found: 329.1167.

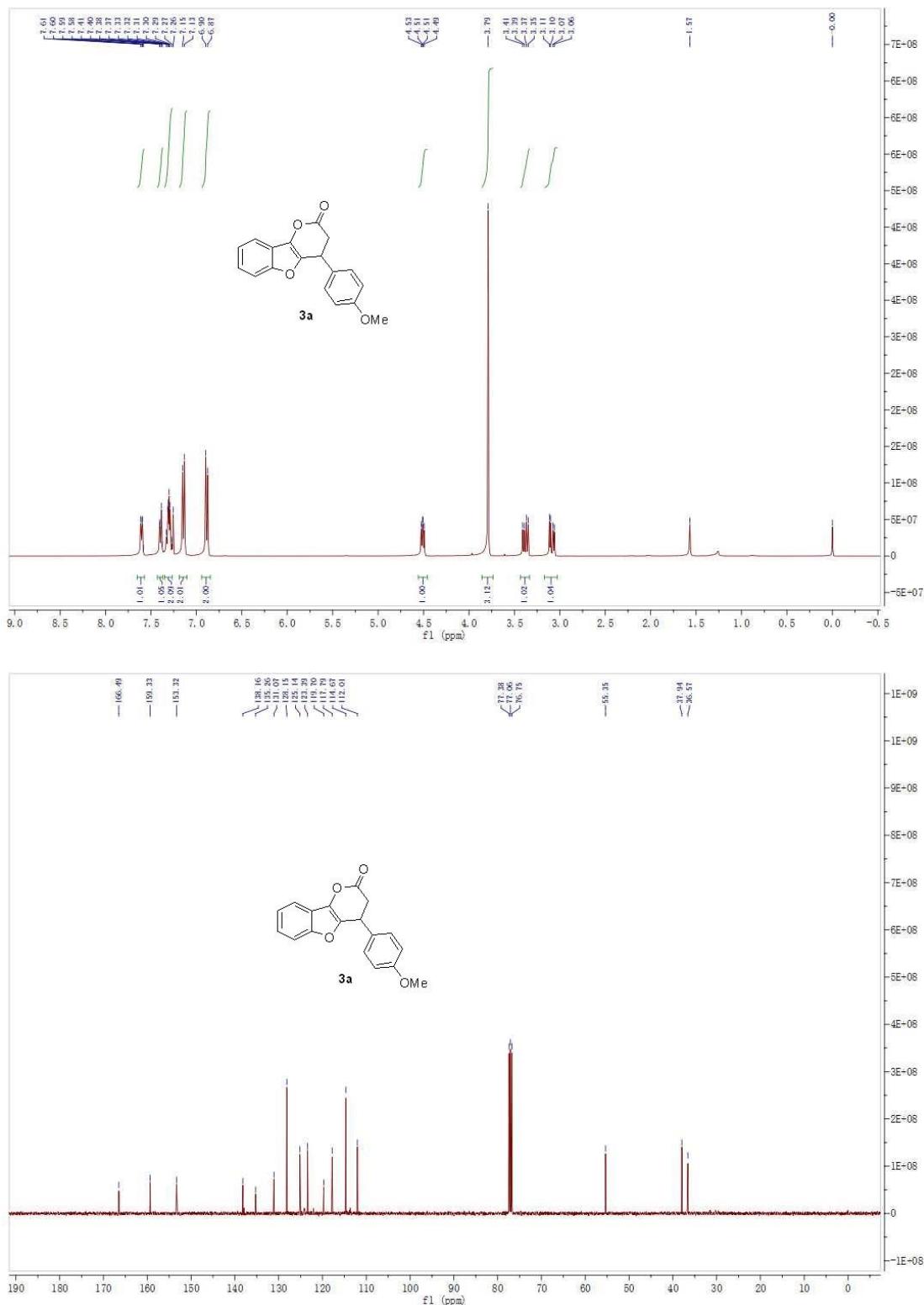


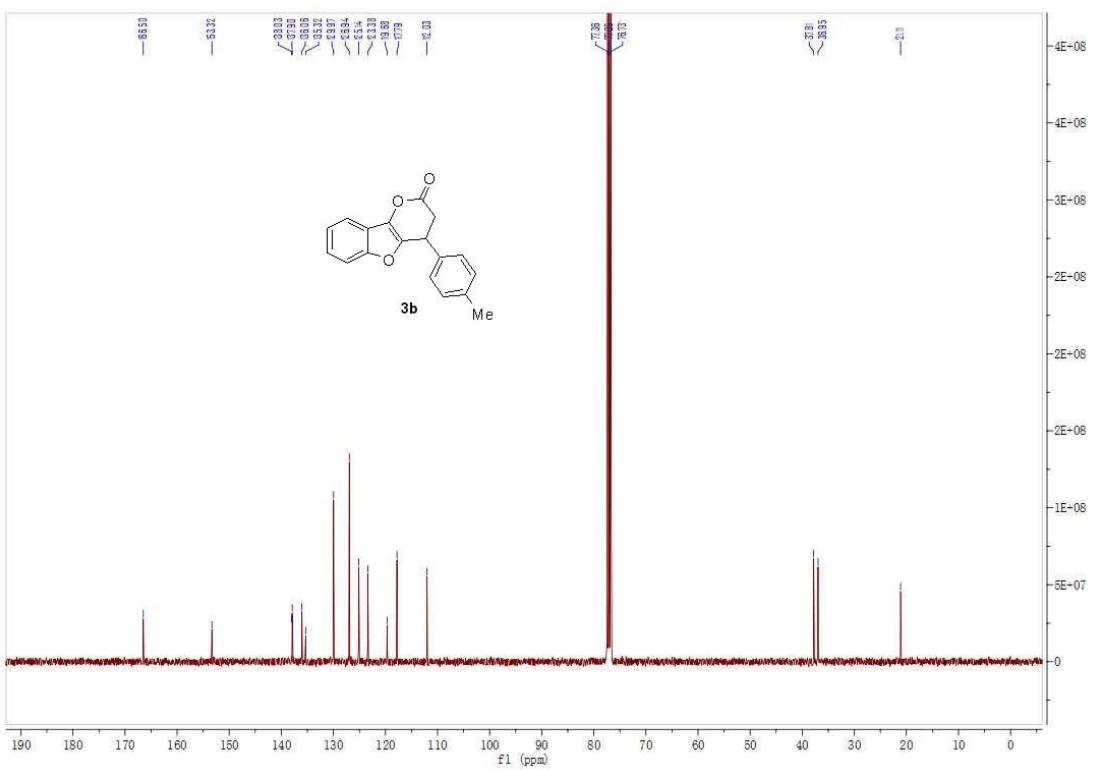
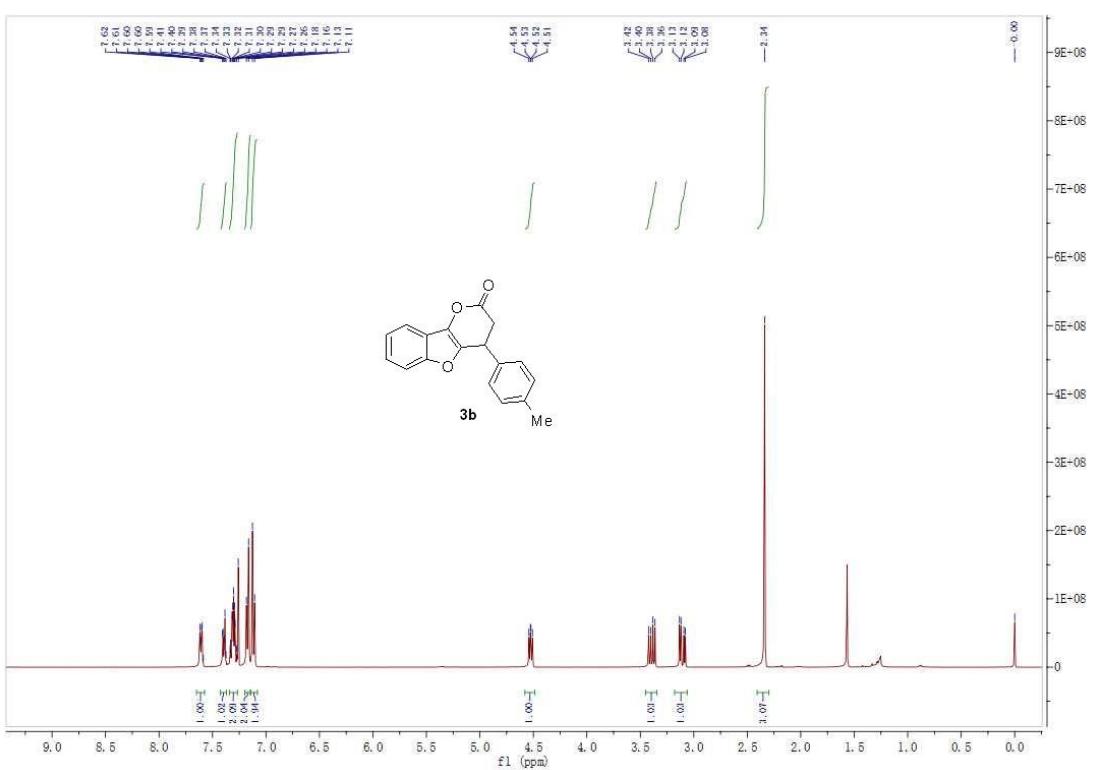
**4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2*H*-pyrano[3,2-*b*]benzofuran-2-one 4a:** yellow solid, 93%, <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.95 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.82 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.58 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.07 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.40 (s, 1H), 3.91 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 162.3, 126.2, 154.9, 145.3, 143.9, 136.7, 130.2, 128.4, 124.2, 123.7, 119.6, 118.2, 114.7, 112.7, 106.1, 55.6; HRMS (FT-APCI): [M + H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>13</sub>O<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>: 293.0808; found: 293.0802.

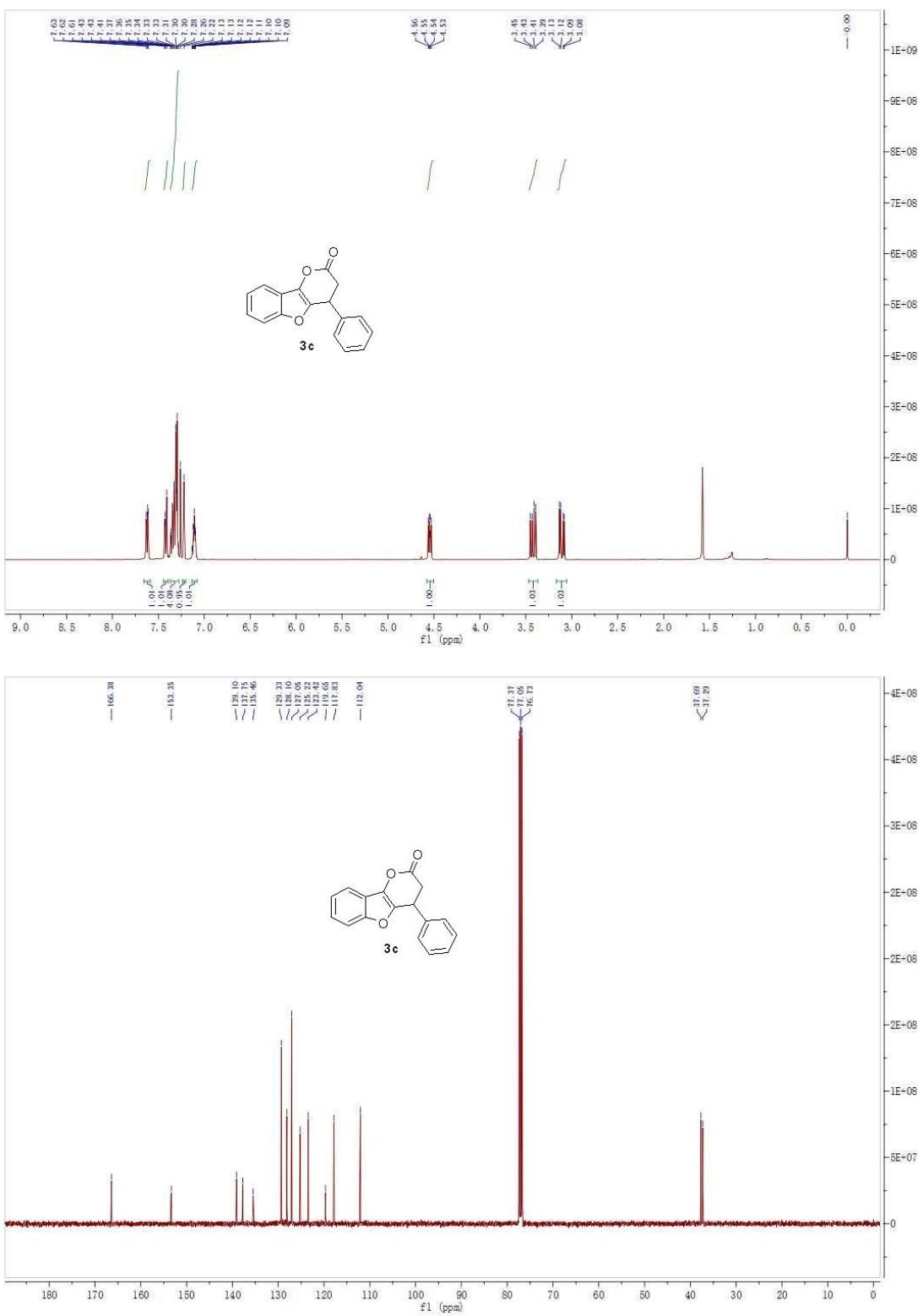


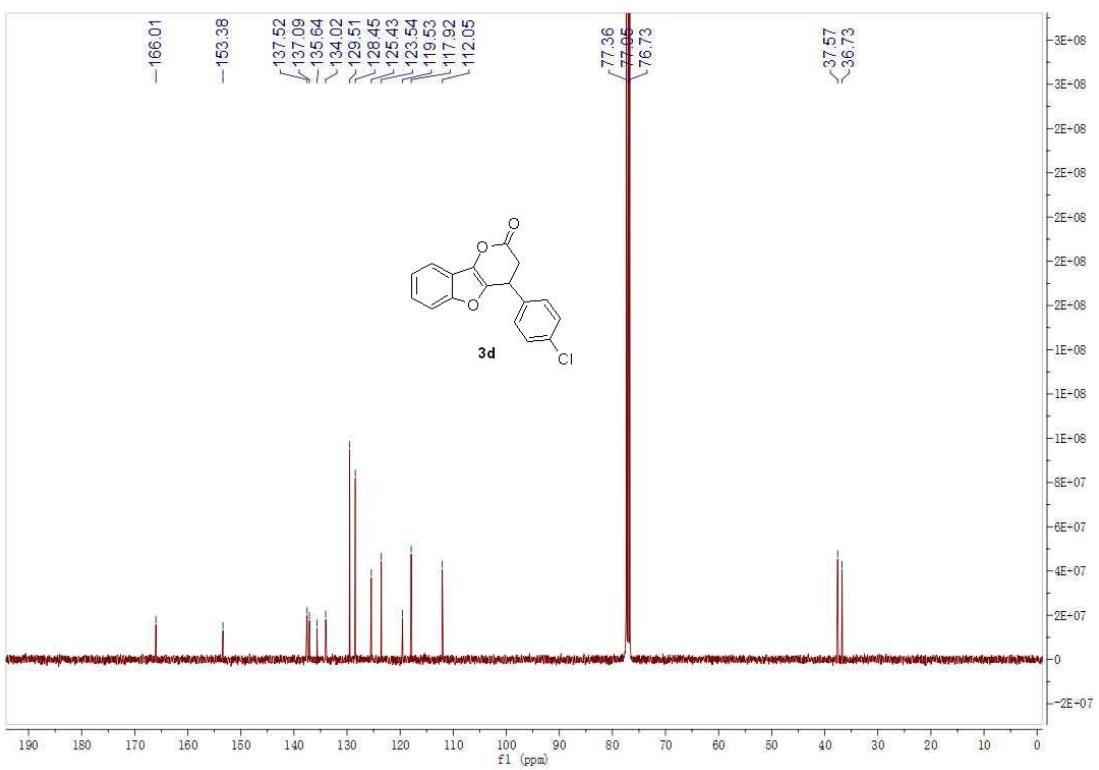
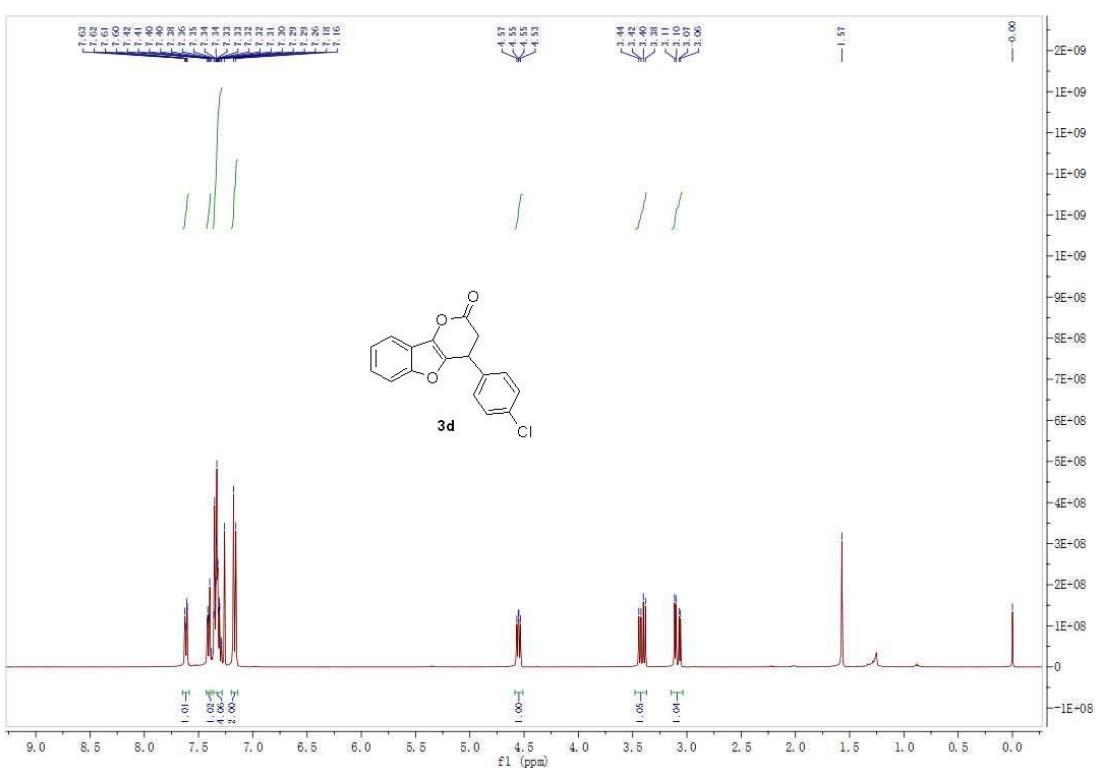
**4-(furan-2-yl)-2*H*-pyrano[3,2-*b*]benzofuran-2-one 4b:** yellow solid, 96%, <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.82 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.72 (s, 1H), 7.63 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.52 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.70 (dd, J = 3.2, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 6.58 (s, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 162.2, 154.9, 146.4, 145.0, 144.0, 134.2, 133.6, 128.4, 124.3, 119.6, 118.3, 113.2, 112.6, 102.1; HRMS (FT-APCI): [M + H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>9</sub>O<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>: 253.0495; found: 253.0490.

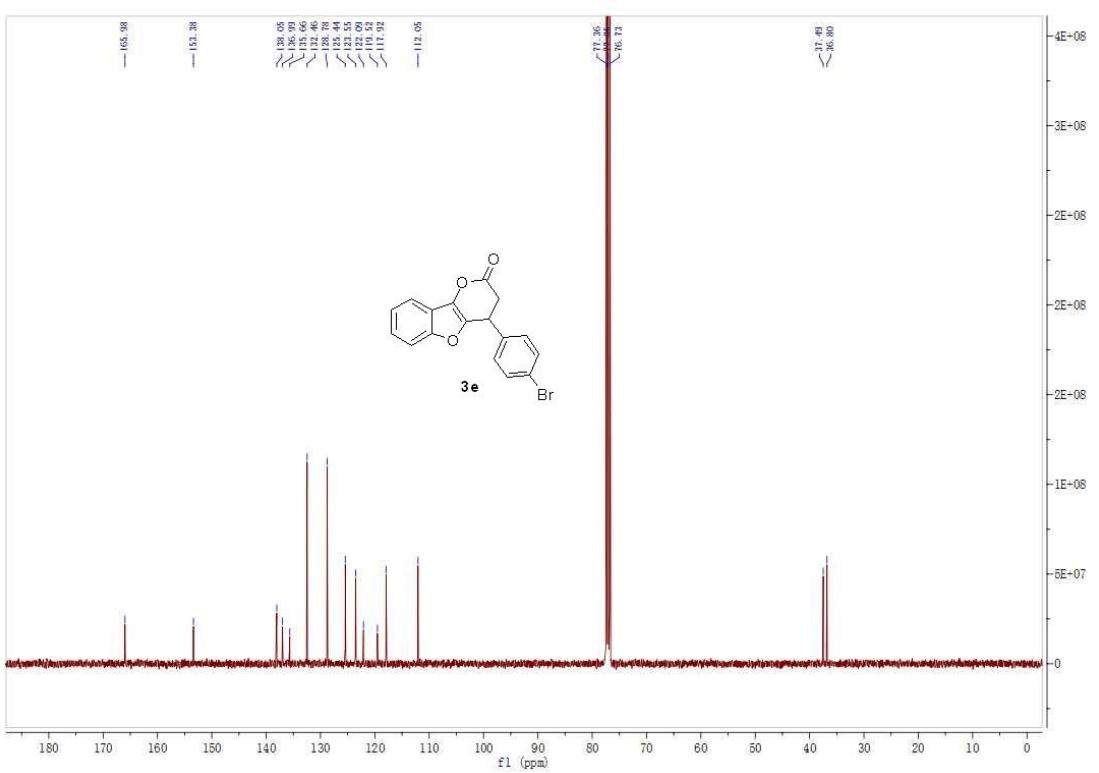
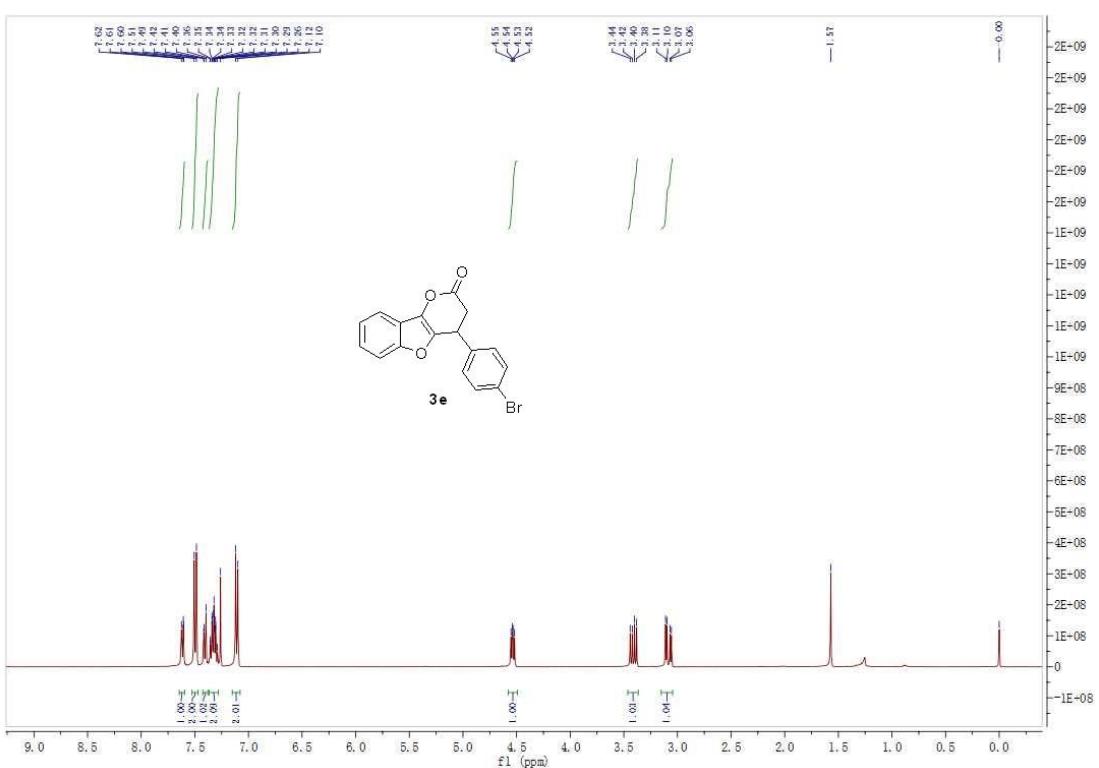
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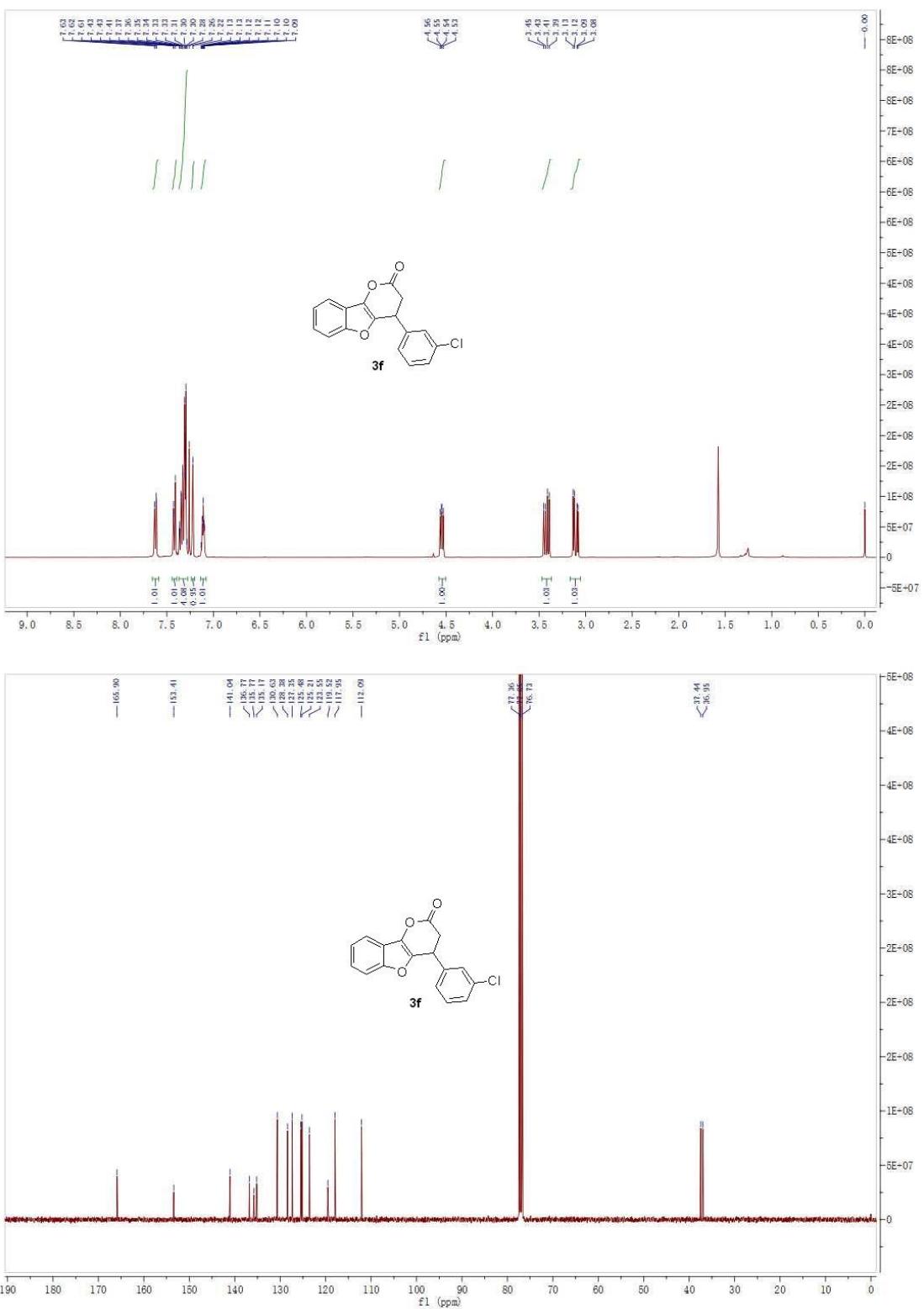


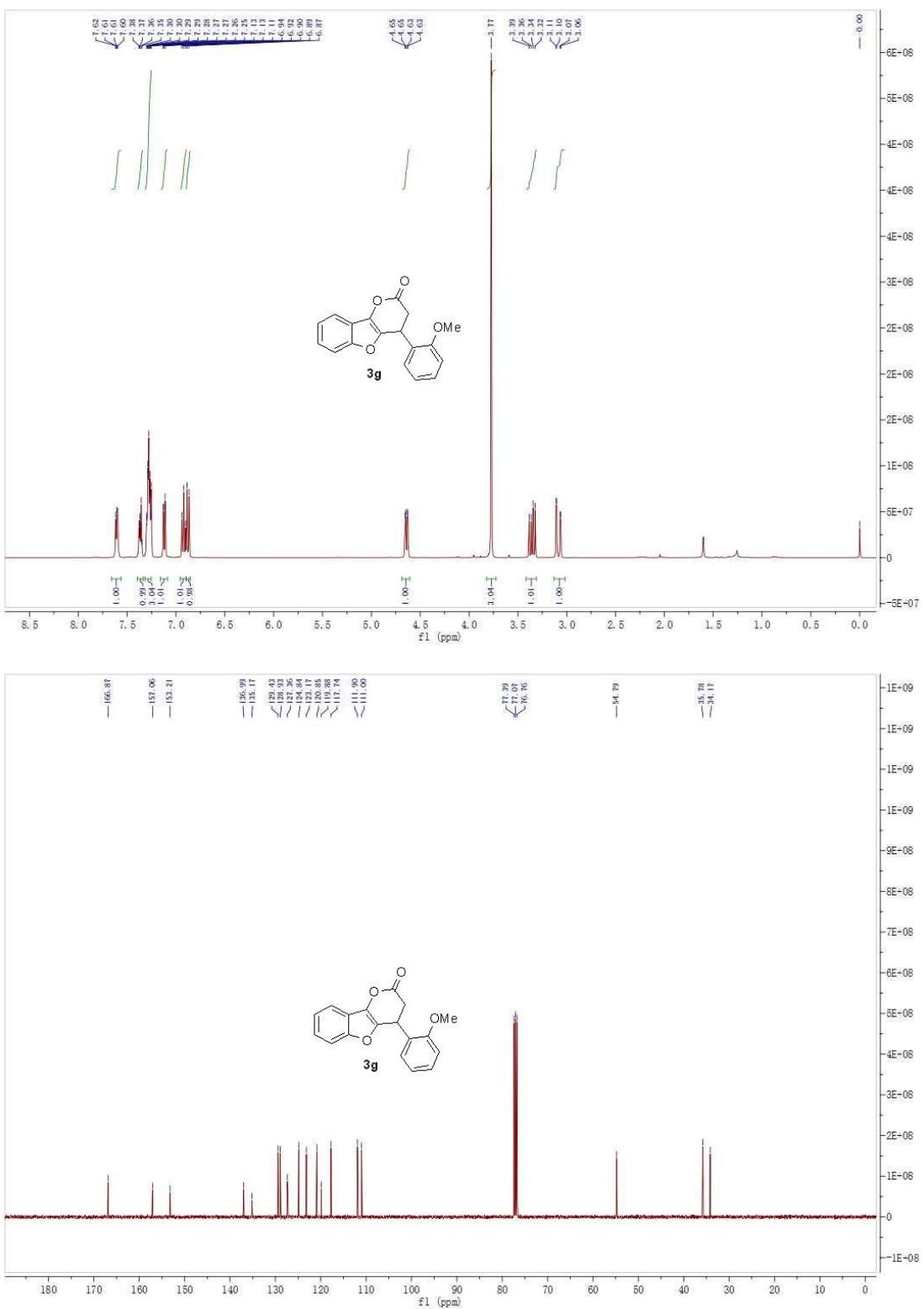


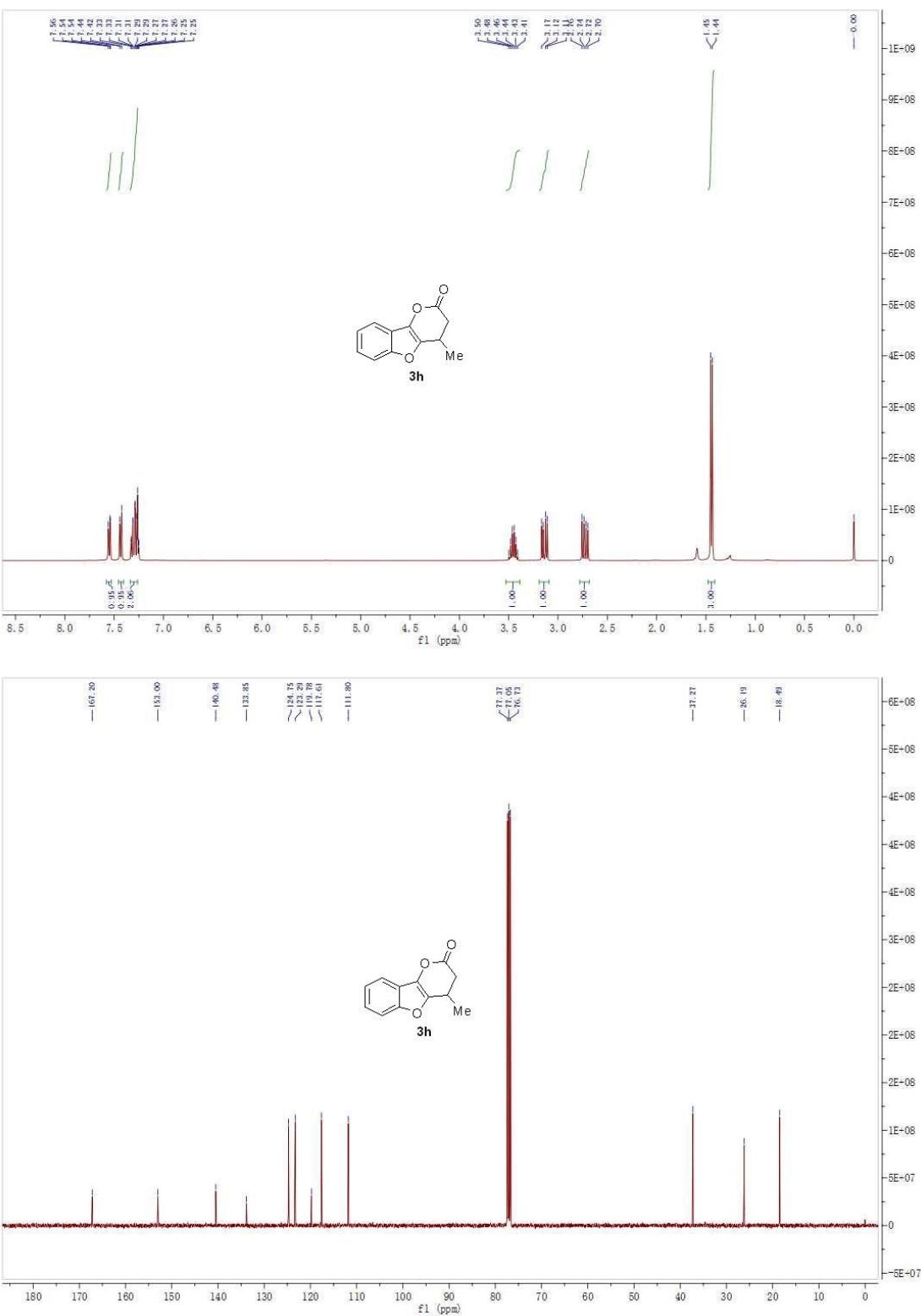


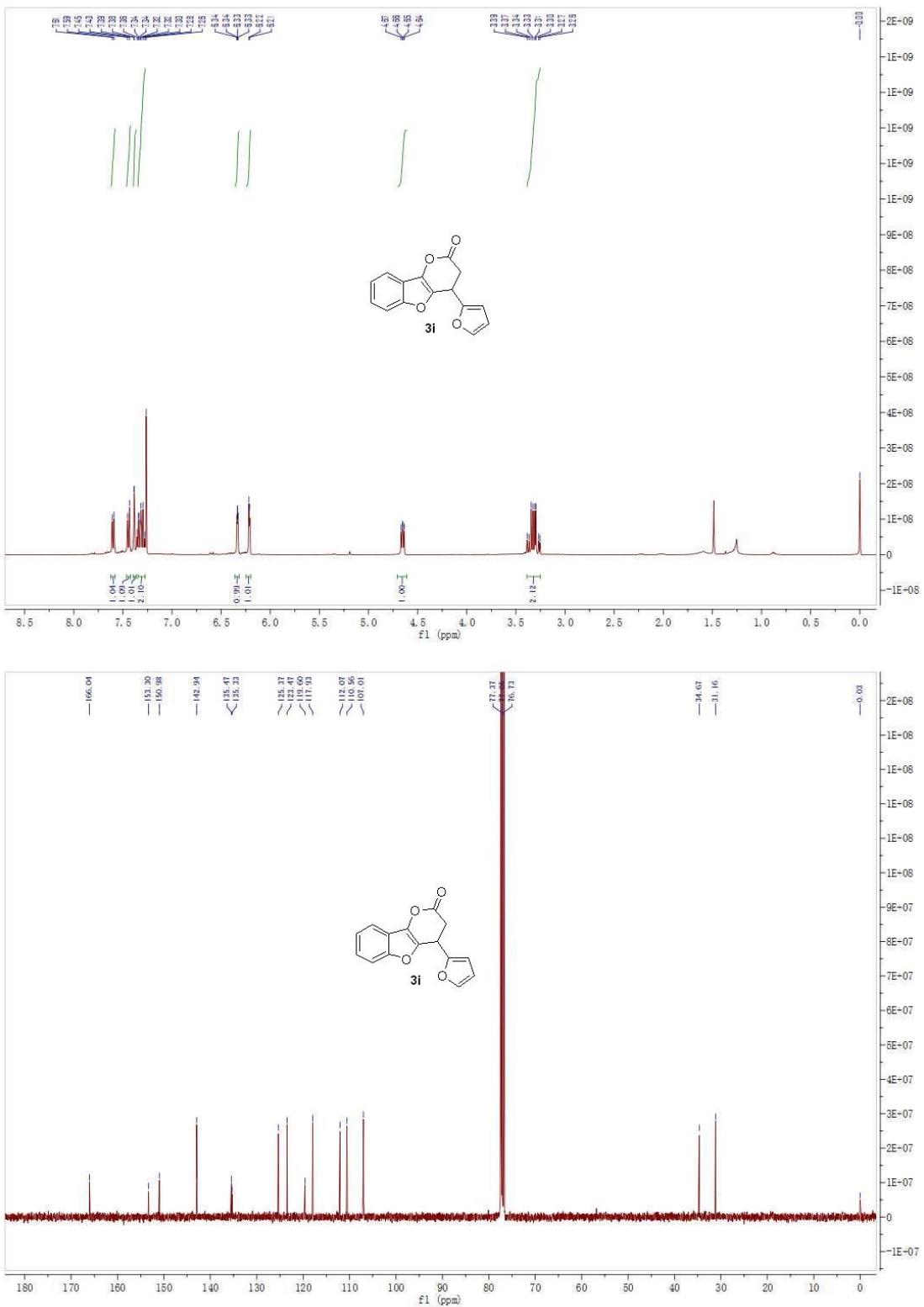


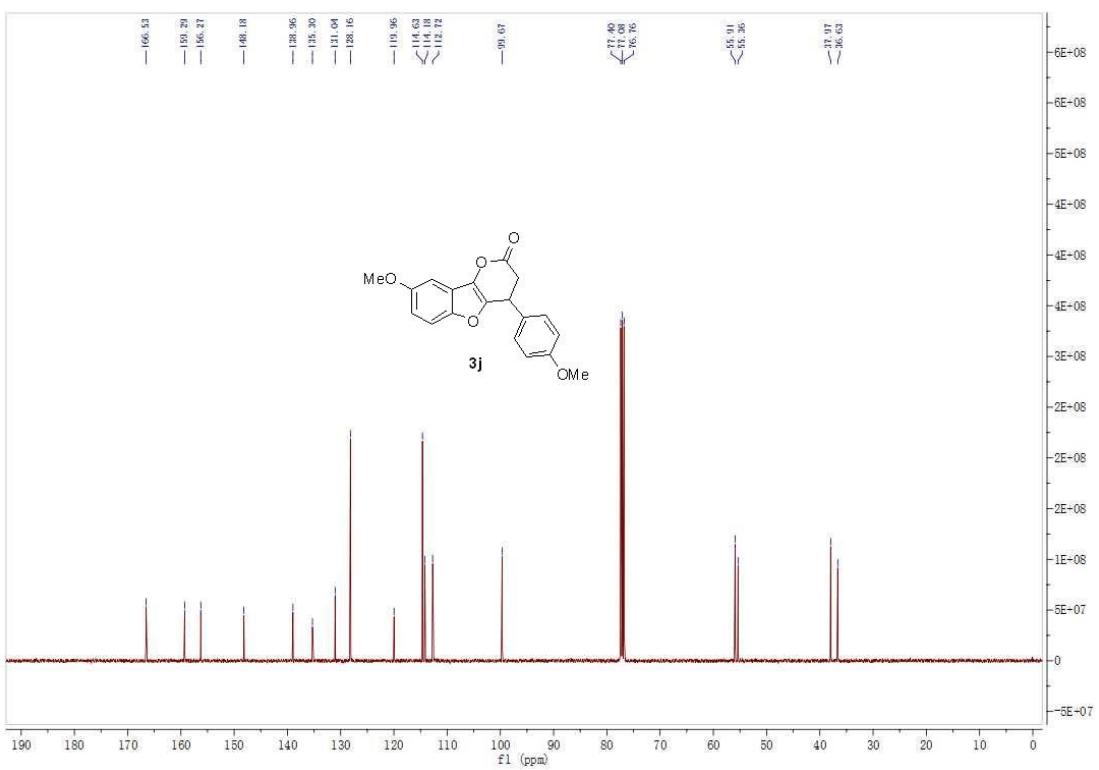
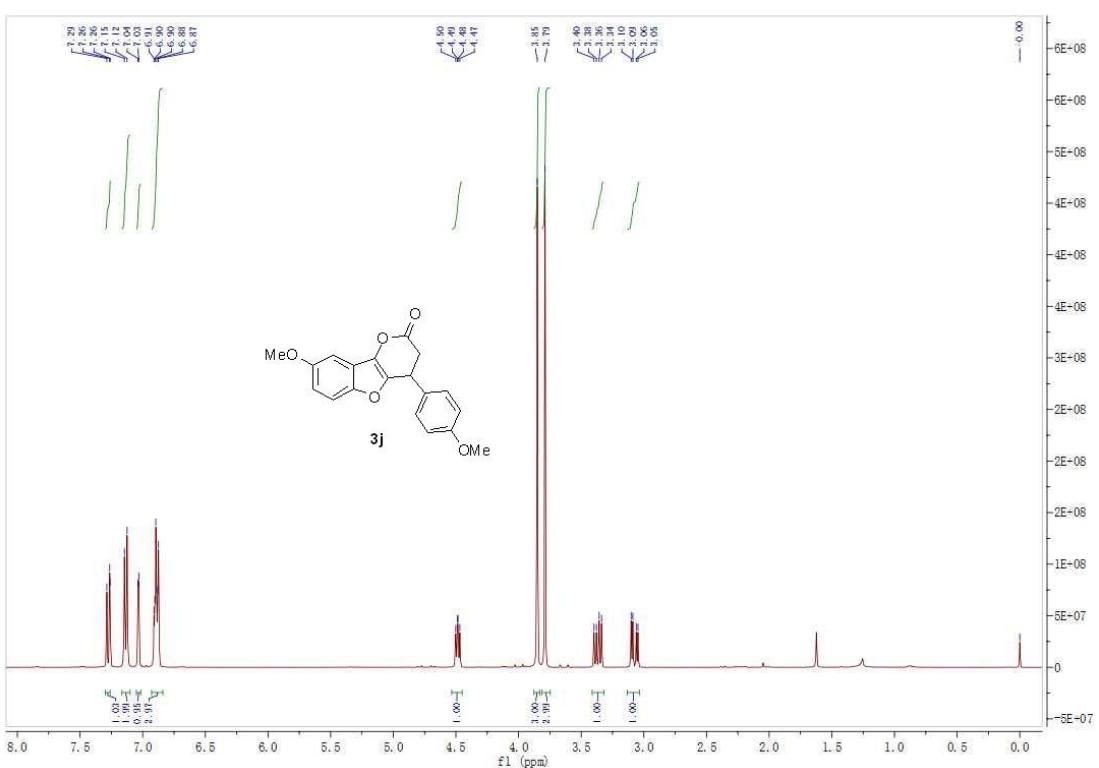


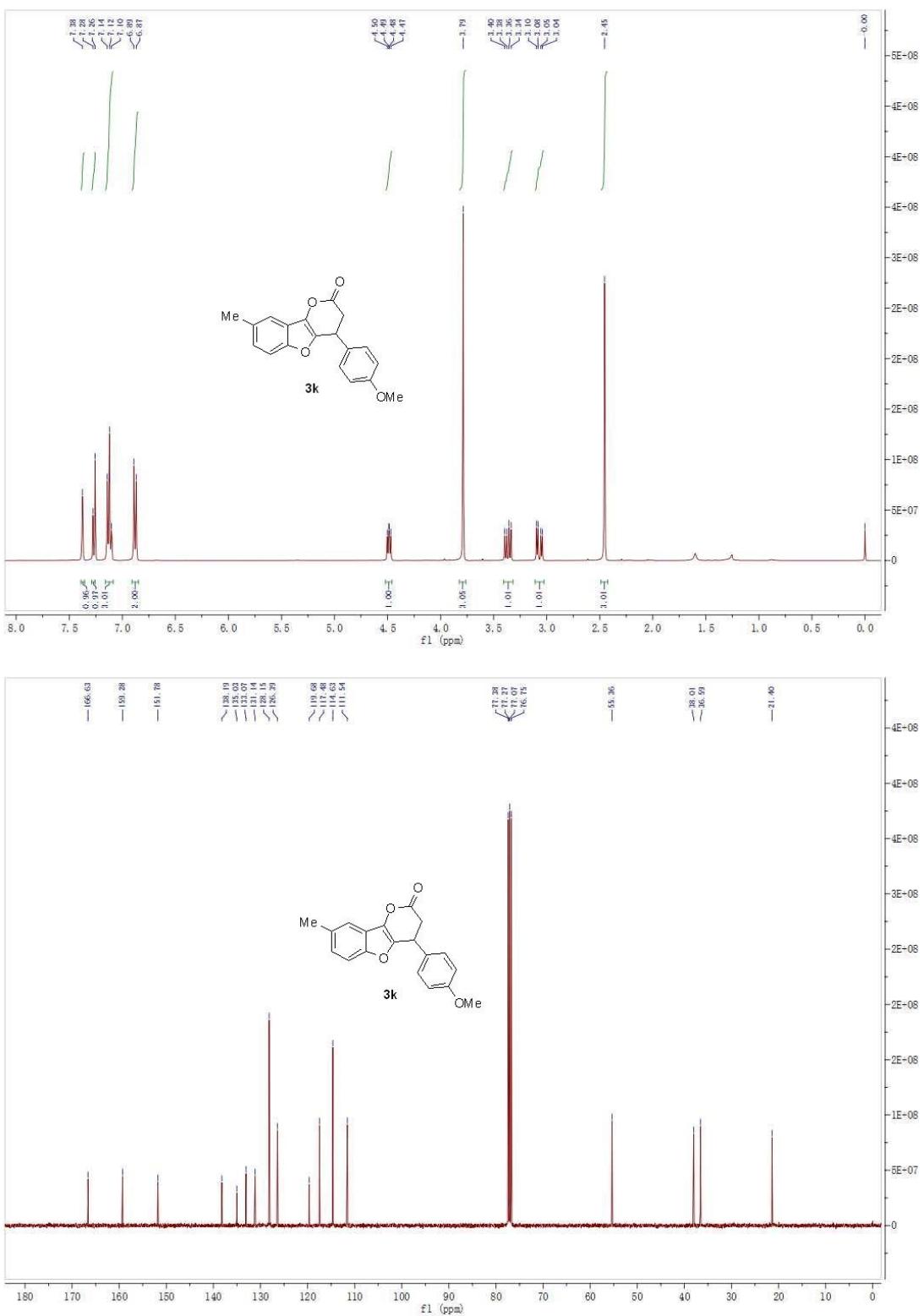


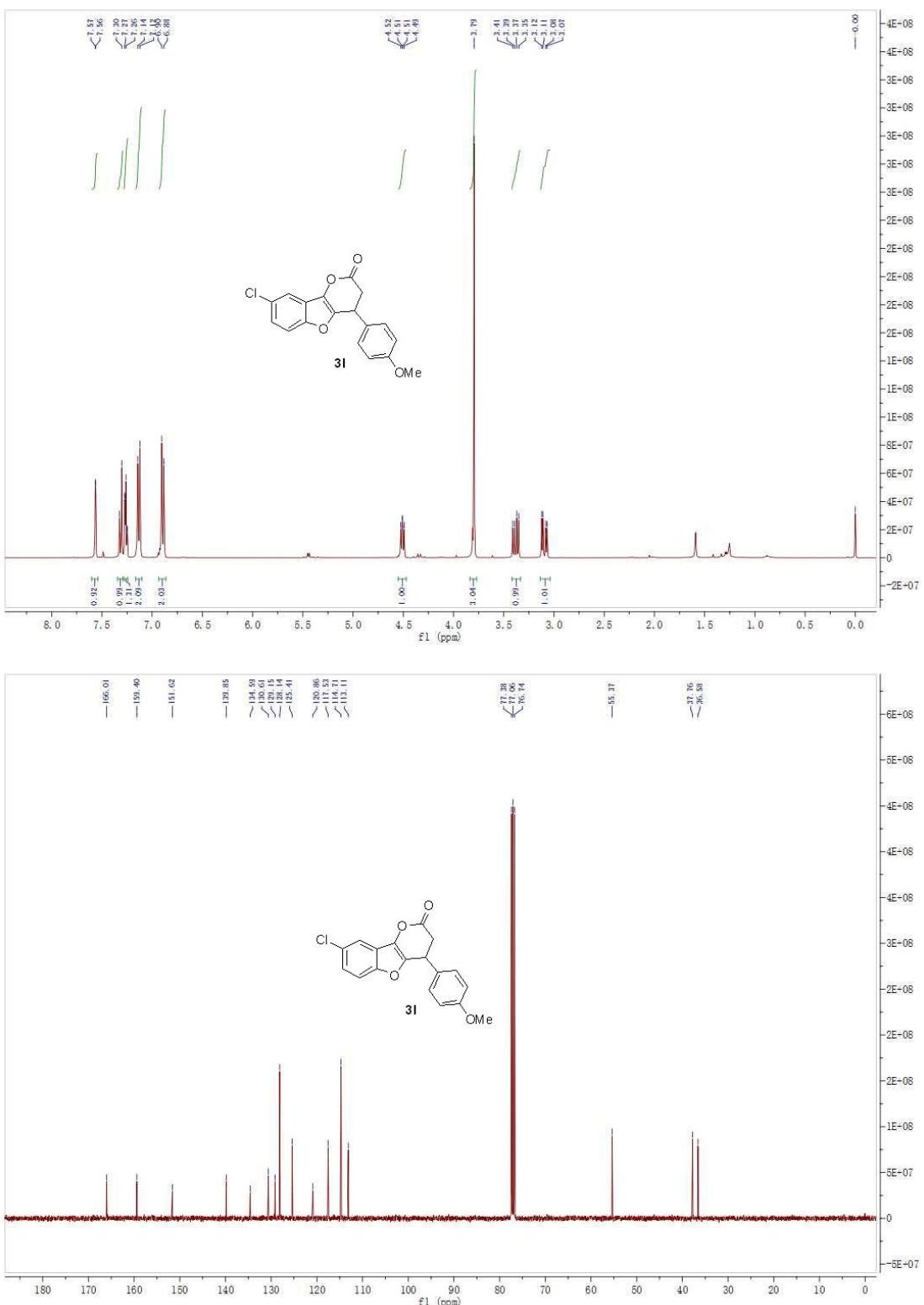


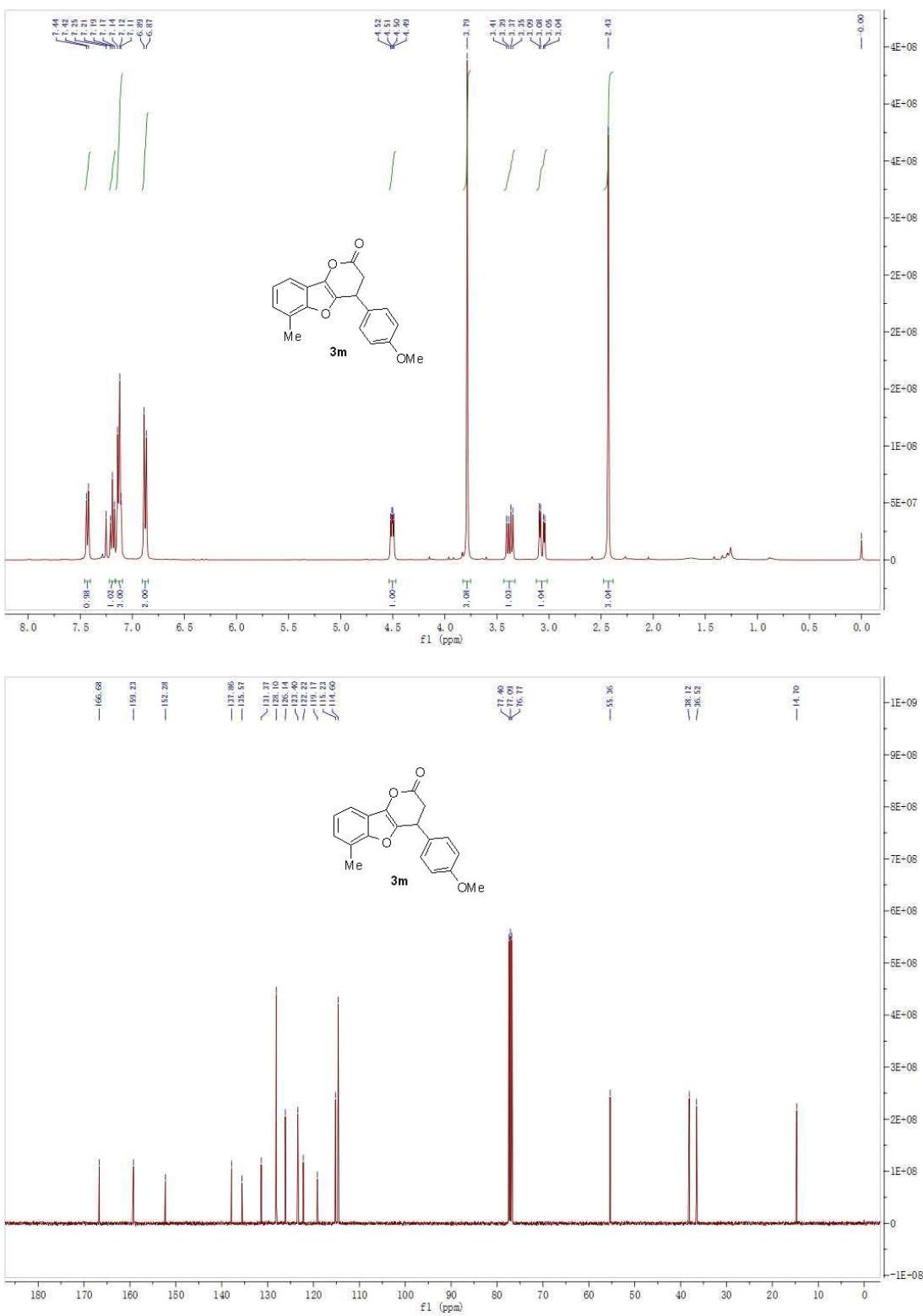


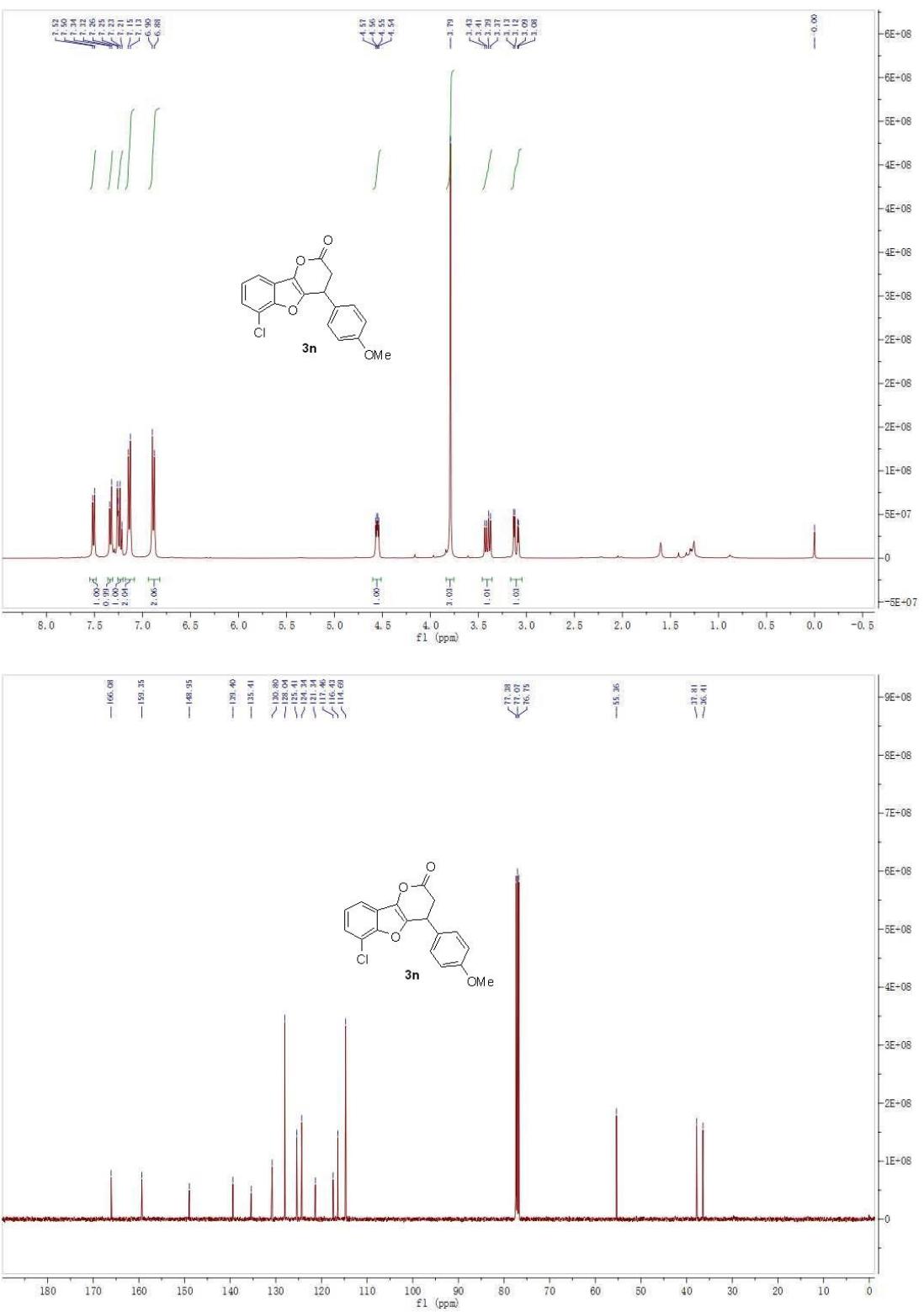


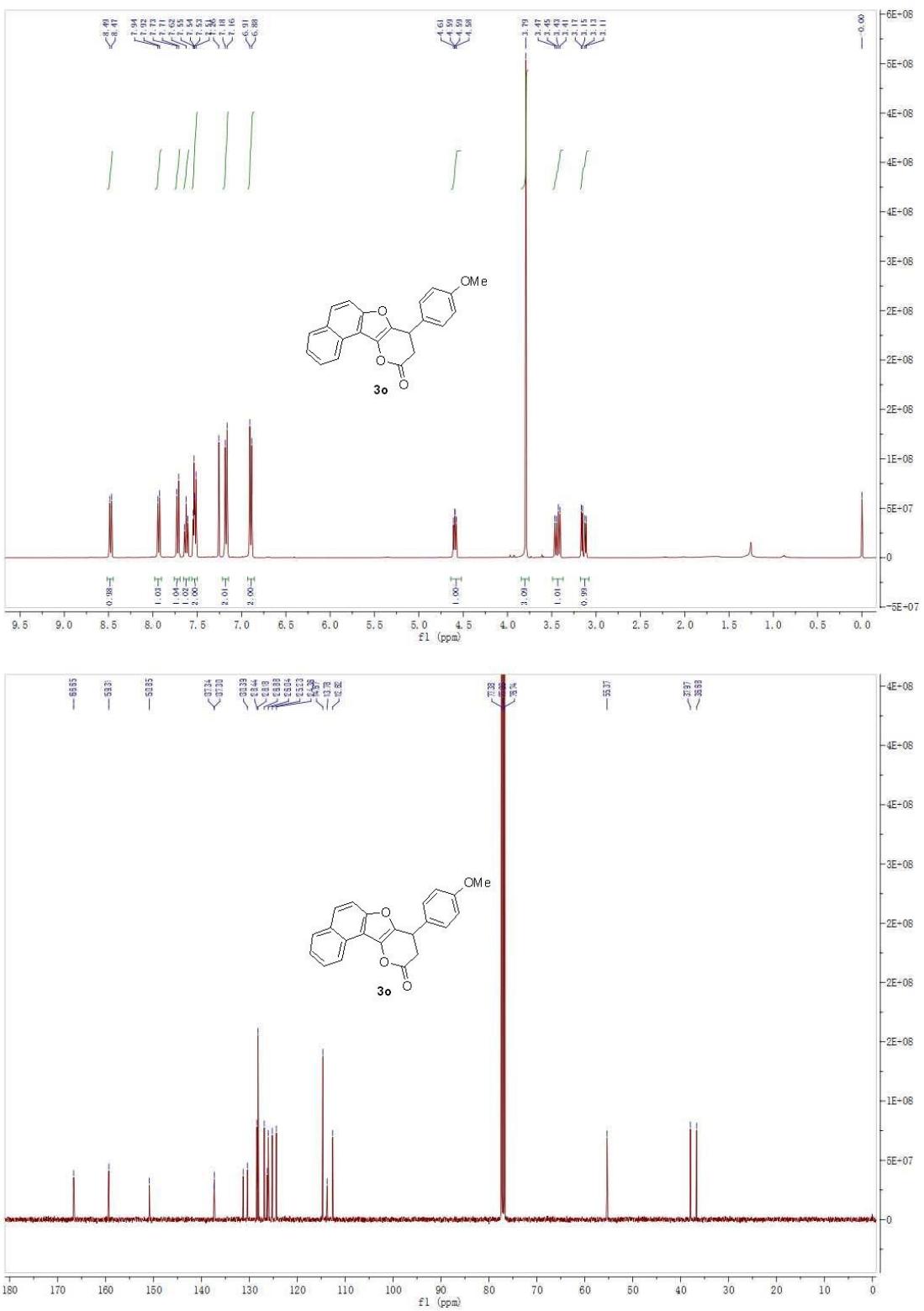


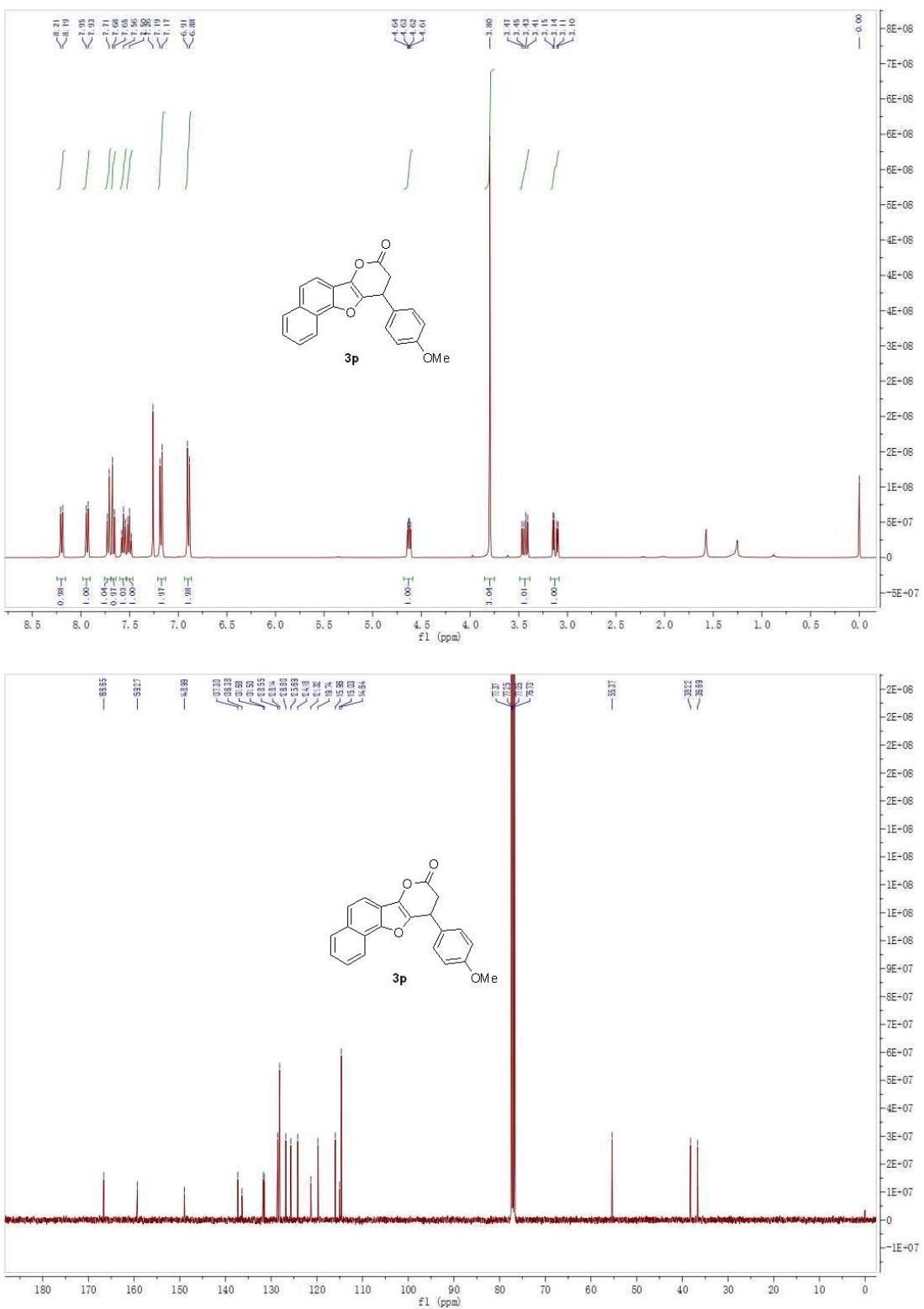


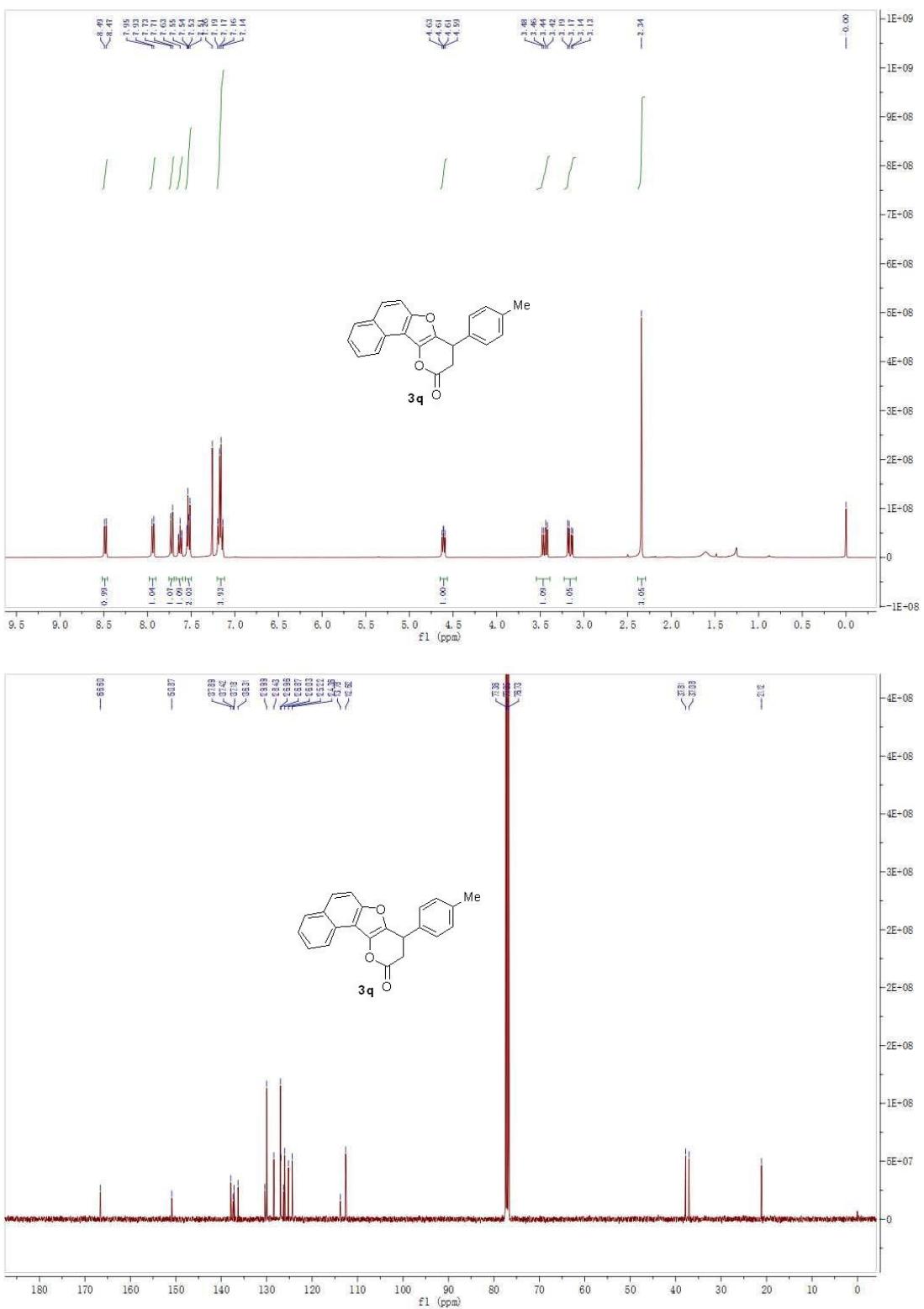


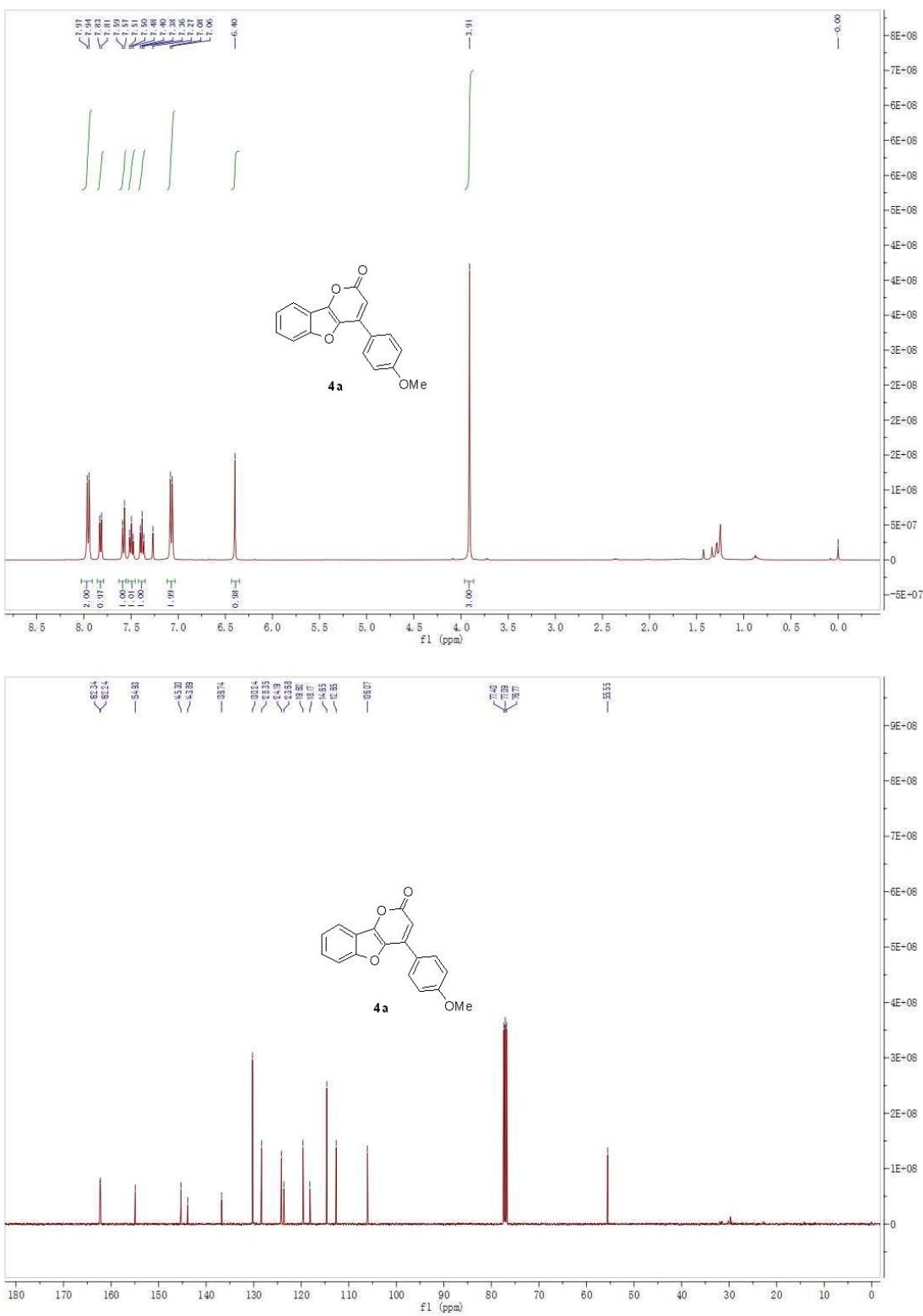


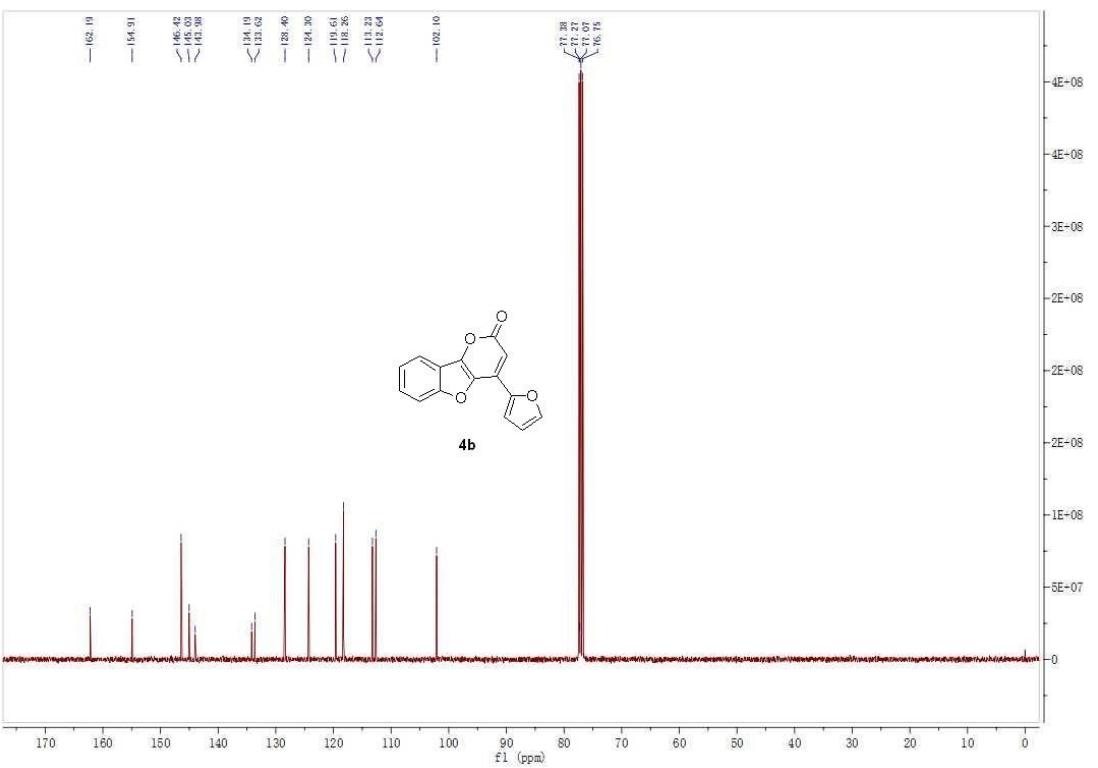
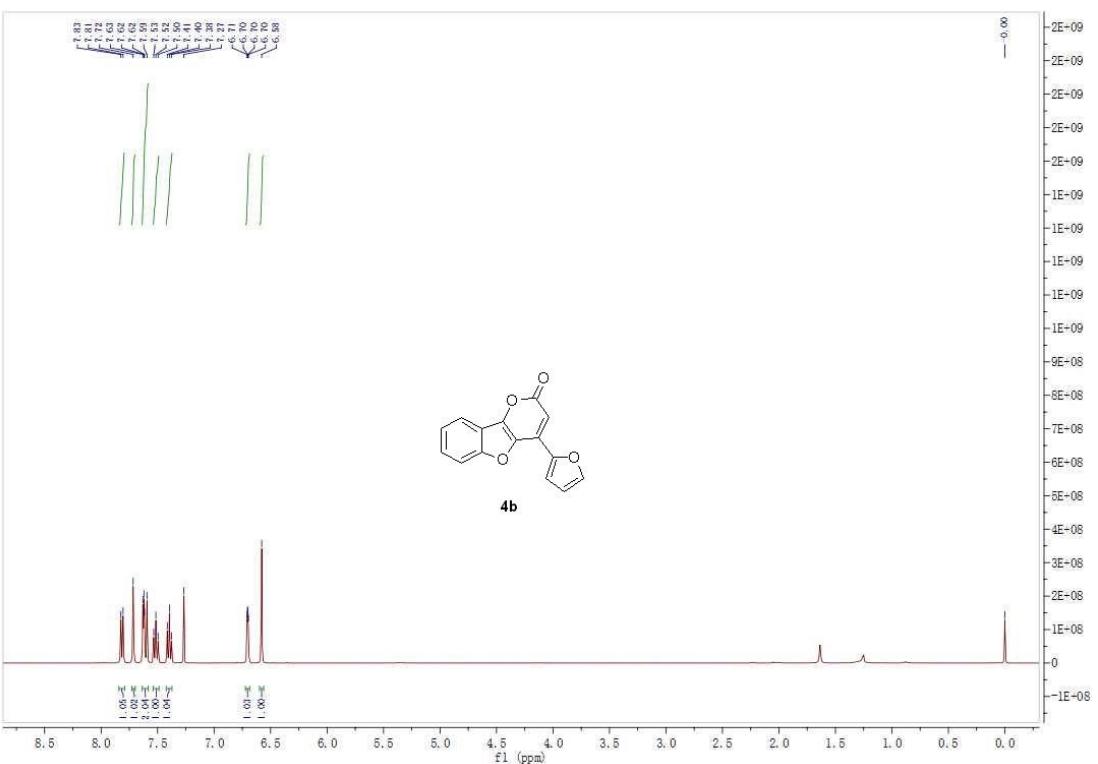






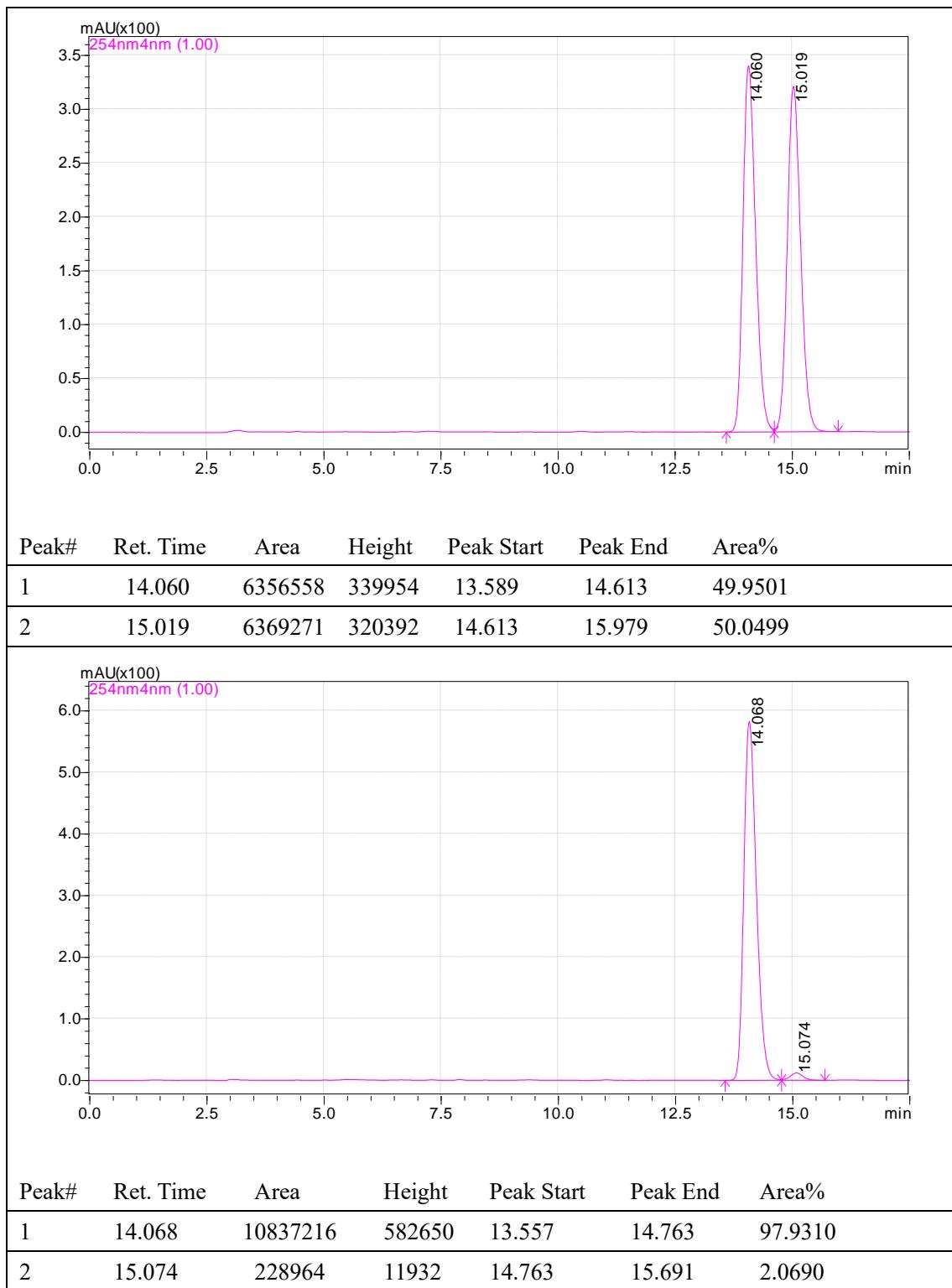




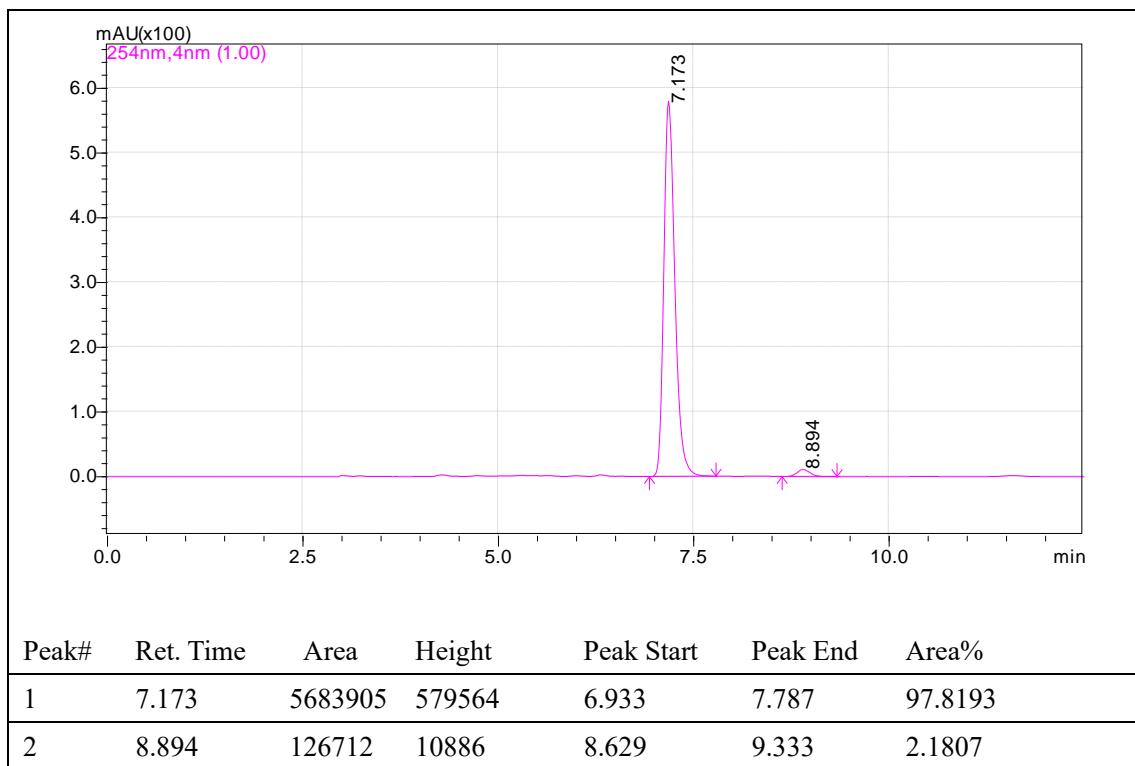
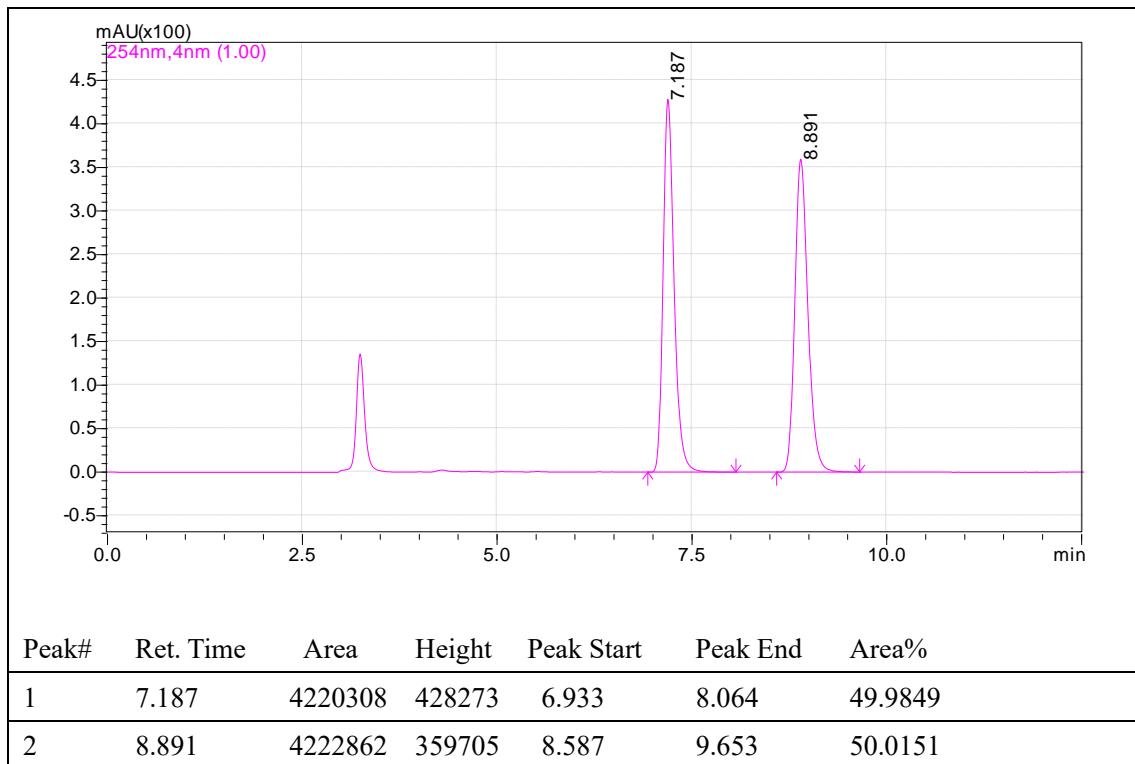


#### 4. The HPLC of 3a, 3h, 3i

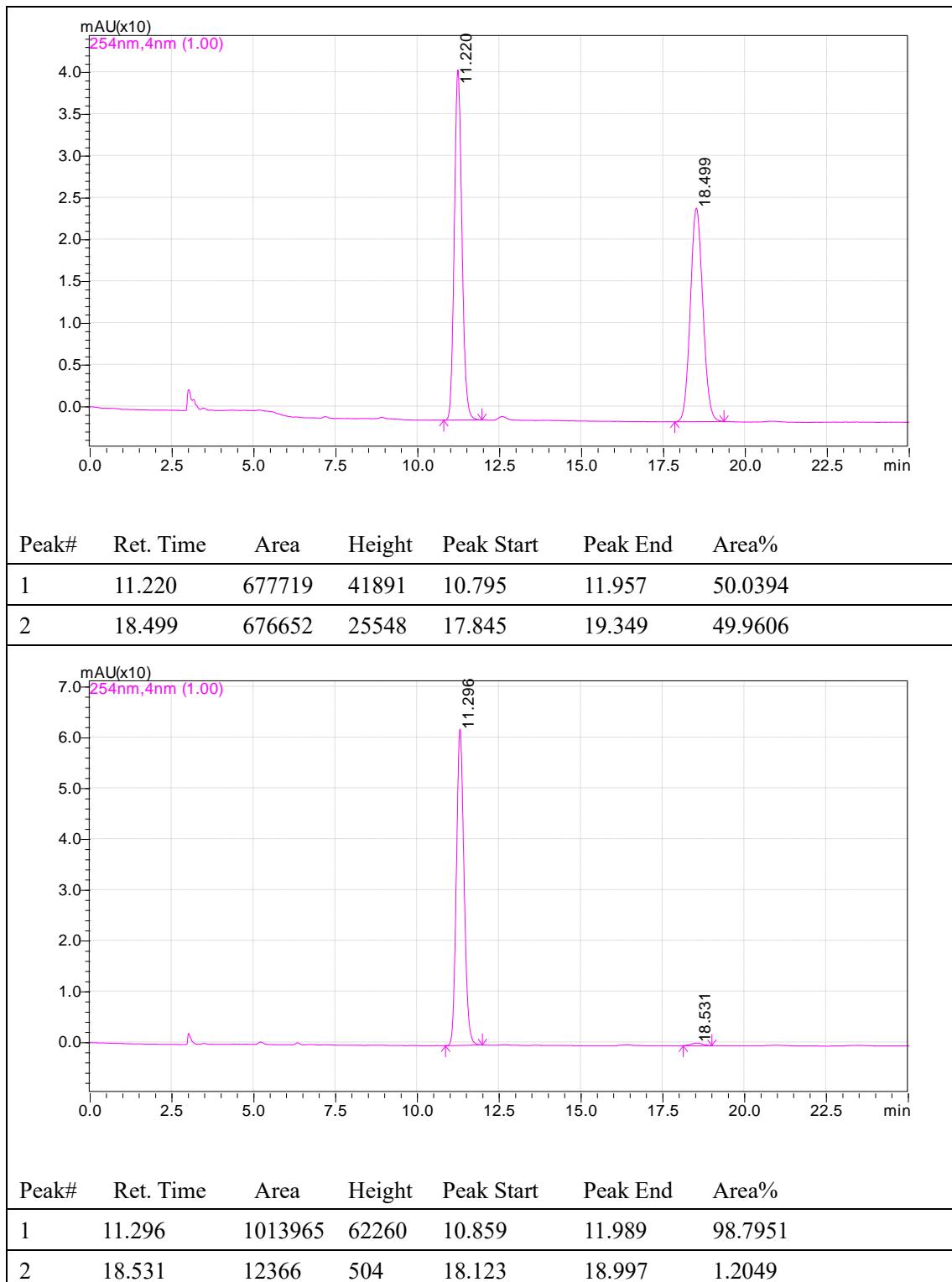
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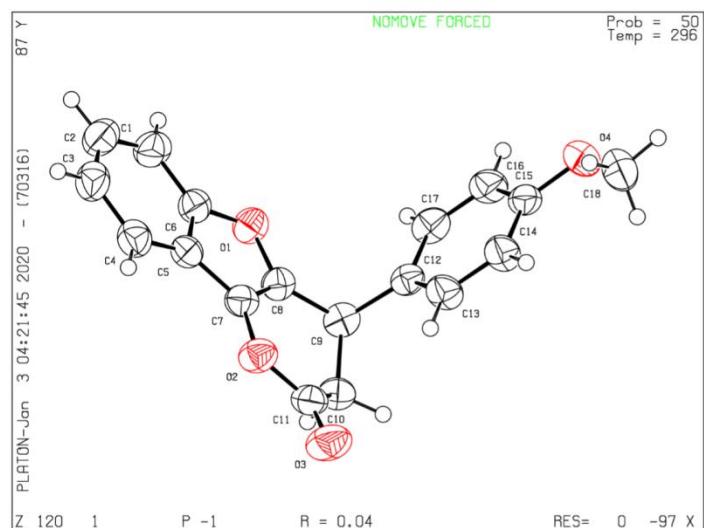
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HPLC data of compound **3i**: OD-H column, 90:10 hexane:IPA, flow rate 1 mL/min, 254 nm, 25 °C, 98% ee.



## 5 The data of crystal structure



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Temperature: 296 K

	Calculated	Reported
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Hall group	-P 1	-P 1
Moiety formula	C <sub>18</sub> H <sub>14</sub> O <sub>4</sub>	?
Sum formula	C <sub>18</sub> H <sub>14</sub> O <sub>4</sub>	C <sub>18</sub> H <sub>14</sub> O <sub>4</sub>
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F000'	308.17	
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Correction method= Not given

Data completeness= 0.994 Theta(max)= 24.995

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S = 1.106 Npar= 199

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