

Kinetic resolution of 2*H*-azirines via Cu(I)-catalyzed asymmetric 1,3-dipolar cycloaddition of azomethine ylides

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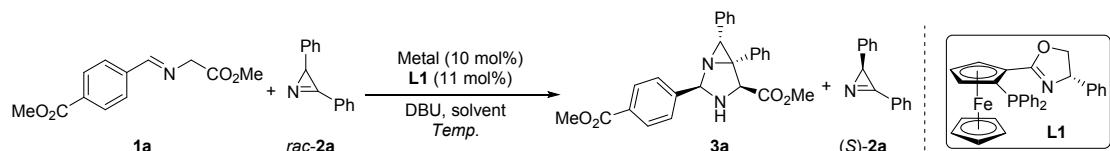
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General information

¹H NMR spectrum were recorded on a Bruker AVANCE III 400 MHz or Bruker-Ultrashield PLUS 500 MHz spectrometers in CDCl₃ or acetone-*d*₆. Chemical shifts were reported in ppm with the internal TMS signal at 0.0 ppm as a standard. The spectrums are interpreted as: s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet, dd = doublet of doublets, brs = broad singlet, coupling constant(s) *J* are reported in Hz and relative integrations are reported. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz) spectrums were recorded on a Bruker AVANCE III 400 MHz or Bruker-Ultrashield PLUS 500 MHz spectrometers in CDCl₃ or acetone-*d*₆. Chemical shifts were reported in ppm with the internal chloroform signal at 77.16 ppm (acetone signal at 29.84 ppm) as a standard. Optical rotations were measured on an AUTOPOL V. Diastereomeric ratios and enantiomeric excesses were determined from crude ¹H NMR spectroscopy interpretation or by analysis of HPLC traces, obtained by using chiralpak AD-H, IF and chiralcel OD-H columns with *n*-hexane and *i*-propanol or ethanol as solvents. (chiralpak AD-H, IF, AS-H and chiralcel OD-H columns were purchased from Daicel Chemical Industries, LTD.) Melting points were obtained in open capillary tubes using SGW X-4 micro melting point apparatus which were uncorrected. Mass spectrums were recorded on TOF mass Waters GCT Premier spectrometer. Solvents were dried and distilled following usual protocols. Commercially available materials purchased from Adamas-beta, Bidepharm or TCI were used as received. Imino esters¹ and 2*H*-azirines² were prepared according to the literature procedure.

Table S1. Optimization of the reaction conditions

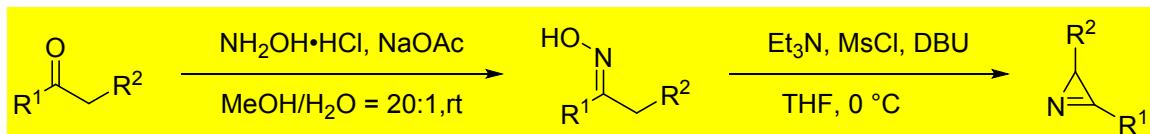


Entry	Base (mol%)	Solvent	Metal	<i>T</i> (°C)	2a/1a	3a		(S)-2a		<i>S</i> ^d
						Yield(%) ^b	ee(%) ^c	Yield(%) ^b	ee(%) ^c	
1	DBU(20)	THF	CuBF ₄	rt	2:1	42	98	48	67	200
2	DBU(50)	THF	CuBF ₄	rt	2:1	41	98	48	65	195
3	DBU(100)	THF	CuBF ₄	rt	2:1	42	98	46	65	195
4	DBU(20)	CH ₂ Cl ₂	CuBF ₄	rt	2:1	40	96	47	47	78
5	DBU(20)	(CH ₂ Cl) ₂	CuBF ₄	rt	2:1	41	97	45	71	140
6	DBU(20)	toluene	CuBF ₄	rt	2:1	42	97	46	55	114
7	DBU(20)	THF	CuPF ₆	rt	2:1	42	98	42	60	183
8	DBU(20)	THF	Cu(OTf) ₂	rt	2:1	46	94	47	41	48
9	DBU(20)	THF	AgOAc	rt	2:1	41	94	43	46	51
10	DBU(20)	THF	CuBF ₄	0	2:1	42	98	48	68	203
11	DBU(20)	THF	CuBF ₄	-20	2:1	44	99	46	54	343
12	DBU(20)	THF	CuBF₄	-40	2:1	44	99	45	73	438
13	DBU(20)	THF	CuBF ₄	-60	2:1	41	99	50	66	397
14	DBU(20)	THF	CuBF ₄	-78	2:1	trace	-	-	-	-
15	DBU(20)	THF	CuBF ₄	-40	2:1.2	45	98	42	60	183
16	DBU(20)	THF	CuBF ₄	-40	2:1.5	47	97	43	70	138

a) All reactions were performed with **1a** (0.1 mmol), **rac-2a** (0.2 mmol) in 1.5 mL of solvent, under an N₂ atmosphere. b) Isolated yield based on **rac-2a**, and >20:1 dr was determined by ¹H NMR of crude product. c) The ee was determined by chiral HPLC analysis. d) Selectivity factors *S*, calculated according to the following equations: *S*= ln[(1-C)(1-ee_{2a})]/ln[(1-C)(1+ee_{2a})], C= (ee_{2a})/(ee_{2a}+ee₃).

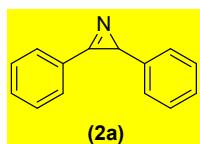
The preparation of 2*H*-azirine substrates

2*H*-azirines (**2**) were prepared as previously described.²

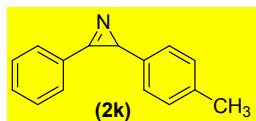


The mixture of ketone (1 equiv), NH₂OH·HCl (1.5 equiv) and sodium acetate were dissolved in MeOH/H₂O (20:1) at room temperature and monitored by TLC. After the reaction completed, the solution was sequentially washed with sat. NaHCO₃ and brine. The organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄. Concentration led to the oxime which was used directly for the next step.

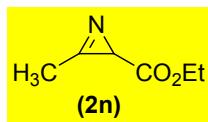
Triethylamine (1.5 equiv) and methanesulfonyl chloride (1.5 equiv) was added sequentially to the solution of oxime (1 equiv) in dry THF at 0 °C. The solution got cloudy after the addition of methanesulfonyl chloride. Then, the resulting mixture was stirred for 30 min, and DBU (1.5 equiv) was added over 10 min. After stirring for additional 30 min, the reaction mixture was passed through a pad of silica gel and washed with EtOAc. The mixture was concentrated in vacuo and the resulting residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel to give the 2*H*-azirine.



2,3-Diphenyl-2*H*-azirine ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.94 – 7.87 (m, 2H), 7.65–7.51 (m, 3H), 7.39–7.21 (m, 3H), 7.21–7.13 (m, 2H), 3.33 (s, 1H).

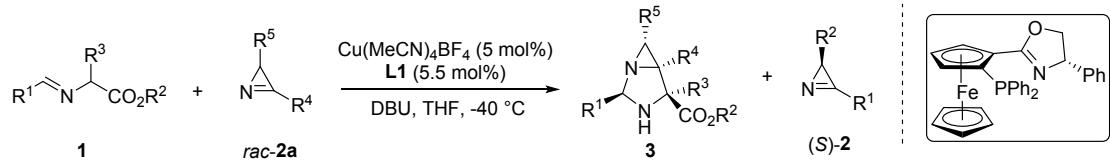


3-Phenyl-2-(*p*-tolyl)-2*H*-azirine ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.93–7.84 (m, 2H), 7.64–7.48 (m, 3H), 7.12–6.96 (m, 4H), 3.30 (s, 1H), 2.31 (s, 3H).

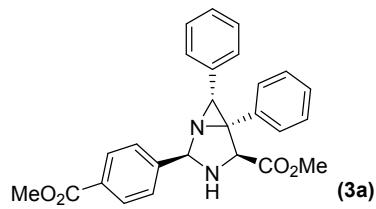


Ethyl 3-methyl-2*H*-azirine-2-carboxylate ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.28 – 4.07 (m, 2H), 2.53 (s, 3H), 2.44 (s, 1H), 1.28 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H).

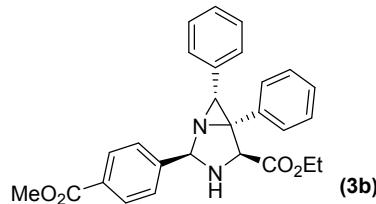
General procedure



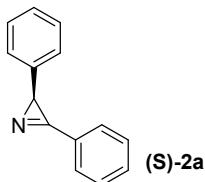
At a nitrogen atmosphere, $\text{Cu}(\text{CH}_3\text{CN})_4\text{BF}_4$ (1.6 mg, 0.005 mmol) and **L1** (2.9 mg, 0.0055 mmol) were dissolved in 1.5 mL dry THF, subsequently stirred at room temperature for about 1 h. Then, iminoester **1** (0.1 mmol) and DBU (3 μL , 0.02 mmol) were added, the mixture was cooled to -40 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ and 2*H*-azirine **2** (0.2 mmol) was added. Once starting material was consumed (0.5-3 h mostly), the mixture was concentrated and the residue was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate 15:1 to 6:1) to afford the corresponding recovered **2** and product **3**.



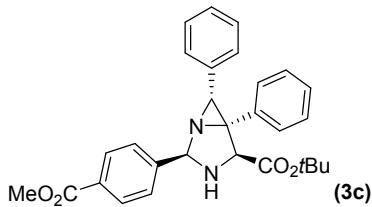
Methyl (2*R*,4*S*,5*R*,6*R*)-2-(4-(methoxycarbonyl)phenyl)-5,6-diphenyl-1,3-diazabicyclo[3.1.0]hexane-4-carboxylate White solid, yield: 38.5 mg, 45%; m.p.: 69-70 $^{\circ}\text{C}$; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -0.93$ (*c* 1.00, CH_2Cl_2); $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.00 (d, *J* = 08.0 Hz, 2H), 7.61 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.28 – 7.02 (m, 10H), 5.76 (d, *J* = 10.3 Hz, 1H), 4.20 (d, *J* = 9.4 Hz, 1H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.20 (s, 1H), 3.13 (t, *J* = 10.9 Hz, 1H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 171.6, 166.8, 142.8, 135.4, 134.8, 130.0 (2C), 129.4 (2C), 128.1 (2C), 127.9 (3C), 127.9 (2C), 127.8, 127.0, 126.9 (2C), 82.5, 67.6, 61.5, 52.6, 52.2, 38.6. **HRMS** (EI-TOF, *m/z*) calcd for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{24}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4$ [M] $^+$: 420.1731, found: 420.1740; **HPLC** (Chiralcel OD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 95/5, 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm) t_R = 10.41 min, 12.80 min.



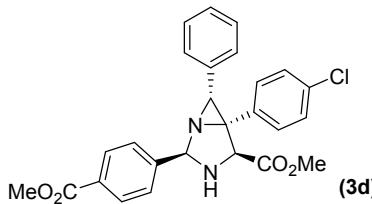
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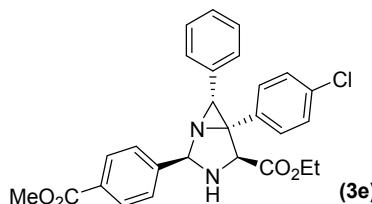
2,3-diphenyl-2H-azirine (S)-2a yield: 47%; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -388.5$ (*c* 0.11, 91% ee, CH_2Cl_2); **HPLC** (Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 97/3, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm) $t_R = 8.27$ min, 8.76 min.



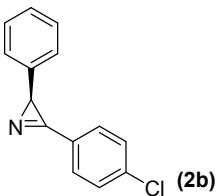
tert-Butyl (2R,4S,5R,6R)-2-(4-(methoxycarbonyl)phenyl)-5,6-diphenyl-1,3-diazabicyclo[3.1.0]hexane-4-carboxylate White solid, yield: 40.5 mg, 43%; m.p.: 56–58 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -1.61$ (*c* 1.07, CH_2Cl_2); **1H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.00 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.61 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.25 – 7.15 (m, 5H), 7.17 – 7.09 (m, 3H), 7.10 – 7.02 (m, 2H), 5.77 (s, 1H), 4.09 (s, 1H), 3.89 (s, 3H), 3.13 (brs, 2H), 1.46 (s, 9H). **13C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 170.0, 166.9, 143.0, 135.7, 135.1, 130.0 (2C), 129.9, 129.8 (2C), 128.0 (2C), 127.9 (2C), 127.8 (2C), 127.7, 127.0, 126.9 (2C), 82.9, 82.5, 68.4, 61.3, 52.3, 38.6, 28.1 (3C). **HRMS** (ESI-TOF, *m/z*) calcd for $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{30}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4$ [M]⁺: 470.2200, found: 470.2205; **HPLC** (Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 92/8, 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm) $t_R = 7.10$ min, 8.53 min.



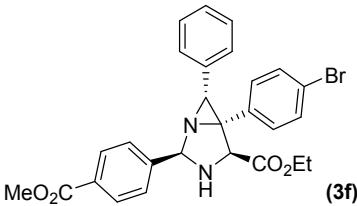
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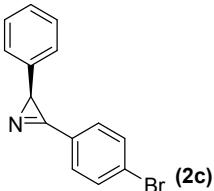
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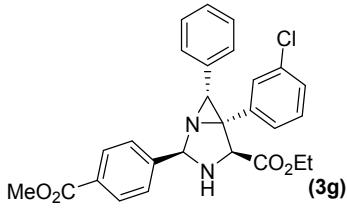
3-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-phenyl-2*H*-azirine (S)-2b yield: 42%; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -525.3$ (*c* 0.10, 96% ee, CH₂Cl₂); **HPLC** (Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 97/3, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm) t_R = 8.73 min, 9.65 min.



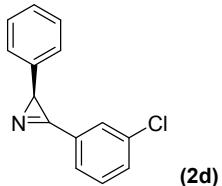
Ethyl (2*R*,4*S*,5*R*,6*R*)-5-(4-bromophenyl)-2-(4-(methoxycarbonyl)phenyl)-6-phenyl-1,3-diazabicyclo[3.1.0]hexane-4-carboxylate White solid, yield: 41.7 mg, 40%; m.p.: 61–63 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -1.33$ (*c* 0.90, CH₂Cl₂); **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.00 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.60 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.34 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.21 – 6.97 (m, 7H), 5.74 (d, *J* = 9.7 Hz, 1H), 4.37 – 4.20 (m, 2H), 4.13 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 3.89 (s, 3H), 3.18 (s, 1H), 3.13 (t, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 1.27 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H). **¹³C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.8, 166.8, 142.6, 135.0, 134.1, 131.3 (2C), 131.3 (2C), 130.0 (2C), 128.1 (2C), 127.8 (2C), 127.2 (2C), 126.8 (2C), 122.0, 82.4, 67.5, 62.0, 60.8, 52.3, 38.6, 14.4. **HRMS** (ESI-TOF, *m/z*) calcd for C₂₇H₂₅⁷⁹BrN₂O₄ [M]⁺: 520.0992, found: 520.1000, for C₂₇H₂₅⁸¹BrN₂O₄ [M]⁺: 522.0972, found: 522.0975; **HPLC** (Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 95/5, 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm) t_R = 19.12 min, 23.46 min.



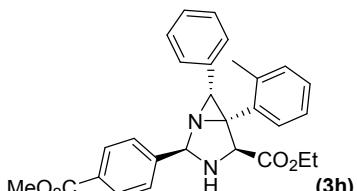
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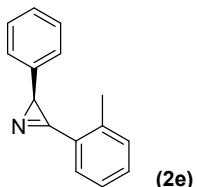
Ethyl (2R,4S,5R,6R)-5-(3-chlorophenyl)-2-(4-(methoxycarbonyl)phenyl)-6-phenyl-1,3-diazabicyclo[3.1.0]hexane-4-carboxylate White solid, yield: 40.0 mg, 42%; m.p.: 49-51 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -1.11$ (*c* 0.93, CH₂Cl₂); **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, Acetone-*d*₆) δ 7.99 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.72 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.38 – 7.31 (m, 1H), 7.27 – 7.18 (m, 3H), 7.18 – 7.04 (m, 5H), 5.80 (d, *J* = 10.9 Hz, 1H), 4.44 – 4.31 (m, 1H), 4.31 – 4.18 (m, 2H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 3.44 (s, 1H), 3.40 (t, *J* = 10.5 Hz, 1H), 1.28 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H). **¹³C NMR** (100 MHz, Acetone-*d*₆) δ 171.3, 166.9, 144.2, 138.8, 136.5, 133.9, 130.8, 130.4, 130.3, 130.3 (2C), 129.0, 128.7 (2C), 128.5 (2C), 128.4, 127.8 (2C), 127.7, 82.3, 67.8, 62.3, 61.2, 52.3, 39.2, 14.5. **HRMS** (ESI-TOF, *m/z*) calcd for C₂₇H₂₅ClN₂O₄ [M]⁺: 476.1497, found: 476.1502; **HPLC** (Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 97/3, 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm) t_R = 23.36 min, 31.53 min.



3-(3-chlorophenyl)-2-phenyl-2*H*-azirine (S)-2d yield: 42%; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -448.5$ (*c* 0.15, 83% ee, CH₂Cl₂); **HPLC** (Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 97/3, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm) t_R = 9.28 min, 10.19 min.

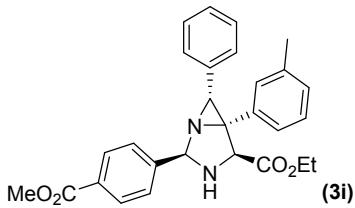


Ethyl (2R,4S,5R,6R)-2-(4-(methoxycarbonyl)phenyl)-6-phenyl-5-(*o*-tolyl)-1,3-diazabicyclo[3.1.0]hexane-4-carboxylate White solid, yield: 42.2 mg, 46%; m.p.: 67-69 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -1.54$ (*c* 1.00, CH₂Cl₂); **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, Acetone-*d*₆) δ 7.95 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.68 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.28 – 7.11 (m, 5H), 7.01 – 6.75 (m, 4H), 5.72 (d, *J* = 10.7 Hz, 1H), 4.36 – 4.15 (m, 2H), 4.12 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.38 – 3.21 (m, 2H), 2.14 (s, 3H), 1.23 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H). **¹³C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.5, 169.4, 135.5, 135.3, 133.7, 133.6, 131.3 (2C), 130.5 (2C), 129.9, 129.3, 128.2, 127.8 (2C), 127.7 (2C), 127.4, 127.3, 126.9, 70.1, 66.9, 60.5, 52.1, 49.9, 47.4, 25.9, 13.8. **HRMS** (ESI-TOF, *m/z*) calcd for C₂₈H₂₈N₂O₄ [M]⁺: 456.2044, found: 456.2046; **HPLC** (Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 97/3, 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm) t_R = 15.67 min, 36.64 min.

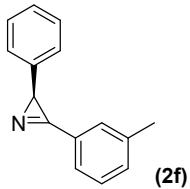


2-phenyl-3-(*o*-tolyl)-2*H*-azirine (S)-2e yield: 46%; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -465.9$ (*c* 0.14, 92% ee, CH₂Cl₂); **HPLC**

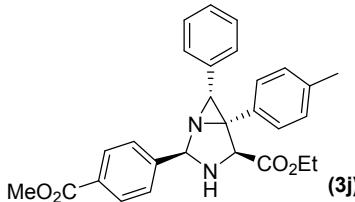
(Chiralpak AS, *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 97/3, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm) t_R = 5.33 min, 6.21 min.



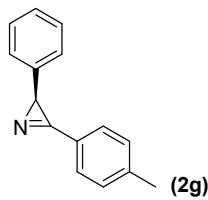
Ethyl (2*R*,4*S*,5*R*,6*R*)-2-(4-(methoxycarbonyl)phenyl)-6-phenyl-5-(*m*-tolyl)-1,3-diazabicyclo[3.1.0]hexane-4-carboxylate White solid, yield: 44.7 mg, 49%; m.p.: 46-48 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -1.69$ (c 1.06, CH_2Cl_2); $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.00 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.61 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.18 – 6.98 (m, 8H), 6.88 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 5.76 (s, 1H), 4.39 – 4.19 (m, 2H), 4.16 (s, 1H), 3.89 (s, 3H), 3.17 (s, 1H), 3.14 (s, 1H), 2.27 (s, 3H), 1.26 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 3H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 171.1, 166.9, 142.9, 137.7, 135.5, 134.7, 130.2, 130.0 (2C), 129.9, 128.6, 127.9 (2C), 127.9 (2C), 127.8, 127.0, 126.9 (2C), 126.6, 82.6, 67.8, 61.9, 61.5, 52.3, 38.6, 21.5, 14.3. **HRMS** (ESI-TOF, m/z) calcd for $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{28}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4$ [M] $^+$: 456.2044, found: 456.2045; **HPLC** (Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 95/5, 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm) t_R = 16.86 min, 21.71 min.



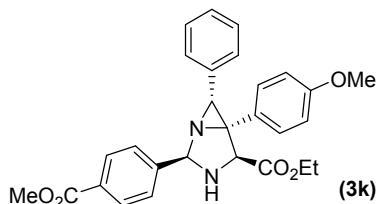
2-Phenyl-3-(*m*-tolyl)-2*H*-azirine (S)-2f yield: 49%; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -540.0$ (c 0.15, 96% ee, CH_2Cl_2); **HPLC** (Chiralpak AS-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 98/2, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm) t_R = 6.58 min, 8.48 min.



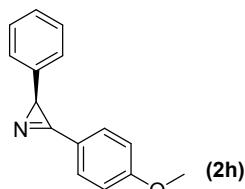
Ethyl (2*R*,4*S*,5*R*,6*R*)-2-(4-(methoxycarbonyl)phenyl)-6-phenyl-5-(*p*-tolyl)-1,3-diazabicyclo[3.1.0]hexane-4-carboxylate White solid, yield: 33.9 mg, 37%; m.p.: 53-55 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -1.81$ (c 1.00, CH_2Cl_2); $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, Acetone- d_6) δ 7.98 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.71 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.21 – 7.07 (m, 7H), 7.06 – 6.94 (m, 2H), 5.74 (d, $J = 10.1$ Hz, 1H), 4.39 – 4.18 (m, 2H), 4.17 – 4.08 (m, 1H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 3.37 (s, 1H), 3.32 (t, $J = 11.6$ Hz, 1H), 2.23 (s, 3H), 1.26 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 3H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (100 MHz, Acetone- d_6) δ 171.6, 166.9, 144.5, 137.8, 137.1, 133.3, 130.7, 130.3 (2C), 130.2 (2C), 129.3 (2C), 128.6 (2C), 128.5 (2C), 127.8 (2C), 127.4, 82.5, 68.4, 62.1, 61.8, 52.3, 39.0, 21.2, 14.5. **HRMS** (ESI-TOF, m/z) calcd for $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{28}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4$ [M] $^+$: 456.2044, found: 456.2046; **HPLC** (Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 95/5, 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm) t_R = 22.63 min, 28.47 min.



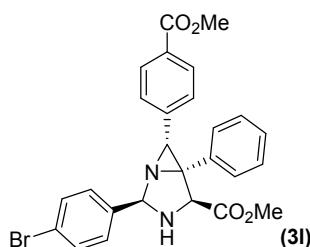
2-Phenyl-3-(p-tolyl)-2H-azirine (S)-2g yield: 40%; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -240.0$ (*c* 0.18, 99% ee, CH₂Cl₂); **HPLC** (Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 97/3, 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm) *t_R* = 7.17 min, 7.67 min.



Ethyl (2R,4S,5R,6R)-2-(4-(methoxycarbonyl)phenyl)-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-6-phenyl-1,3-diazabicyclo[3.1.0]hexane-4-carboxylate White solid, yield: 28.6 mg, 30%; m.p.: 70-72 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -1.46$ (*c* 1.00, CH₂Cl₂); **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, Acetone-*d*₆) δ 7.98 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.71 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.24 – 7.03 (m, 7H), 6.82 – 6.73 (m, 2H), 5.74 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 4.38 – 4.19 (m, 2H), 4.13 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 3.73 (s, 3H), 3.42 – 3.23 (m, 2H), 1.26 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H). **¹³C NMR** (100 MHz, Acetone-*d*₆) δ 171.6, 166.9, 160.0, 144.5, 137.1, 131.5 (2C), 130.7, 130.3 (2C), 128.6 (2C), 128.5 (2C), 128.1, 127.8 (2C), 127.4, 114.0 (2C), 82.4, 68.5, 62.1, 61.5, 55.4, 52.3, 39.0, 14.5. **HRMS** (ESI-TOF, *m/z*) calcd for C₂₈H₂₈N₂O₅ [M]⁺: 472.1993, found: 472.1998; **HPLC** (Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 97/3, 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm) *t_R* = 40.43 min, 49.22 min.

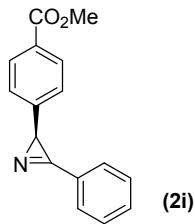


3-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-phenyl-2H-azirine (S)-2h yield: 30%; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -279.3$ (*c* 0.15, 81% ee, CH₂Cl₂); **HPLC** (Chiralpak AD, *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 97/3, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm) *t_R* = 17.48 min, 20.69 min.

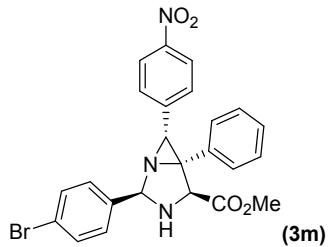


Methyl (2R,4S,5R,6R)-2-(4-bromophenyl)-6-(4-(methoxycarbonyl)phenyl)-5-phenyl-1,3-diazabicyclo[3.1.0]hexane-4-carboxylate White solid, yield: 49.8 mg, 49%; m.p.: 73-75 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -1.35$ (*c* 0.96, CH₂Cl₂); **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, Acetone-*d*₆) δ 7.74 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.52 (s, 4H), 7.28 – 7.13 (m, 7H), 5.69 (d, *J* = 10.5 Hz, 1H), 4.21 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.54 (s, 1H), 3.35 (t, *J* = 10.8 Hz, 1H). **¹³C NMR** (100 MHz, Acetone-*d*₆) δ 171.9, 167.0, 142.7, 138.5, 135.8, 132.3 (2C), 130.2 (2C), 129.6 (2C), 129.5 (2C), 129.5, 128.7 (2C), 128.7 (2C), 128.4, 122.4, 82.1, 68.0,

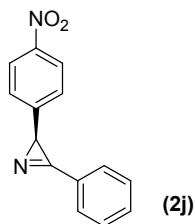
62.4, 52.7, 52.2, 38.8. **HRMS** (ESI-TOF, *m/z*) calcd for C₂₆H₂₃⁷⁹BrN₂O₄ [M]⁺: 506.0836, found: 506.0844, for C₂₆H₂₃⁸¹BrN₂O₄ [M]⁺: 508.0815, found: 508.0822, **HPLC** (Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 95/5, 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm) t_R = 22.52 min, 31.04 min.



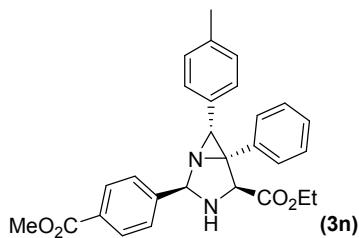
Methyl 4-(3-phenyl-2*H*-azirin-2-yl)-benzoate (*S*)-2i yield: 49%; [α]_D²⁵ = -361.0 (*c* 0.1, 92% ee, CH₂Cl₂); **HPLC** (Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 97/3, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm) t_R = 20.84 min, 23.25 min.



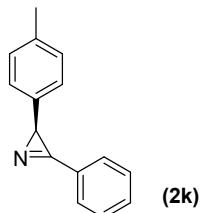
Methyl (2*R*,4*S*,5*R*,6*R*)-2-(4-bromophenyl)-6-(4-nitrophenoxy)-5-phenyl-1,3-diazabicyclo[3.1.0]hexane-4-carboxylate White solid, yield: 46.8 mg, 47%; m.p.: 80–82°C; [α]_D²⁵ = -1.81 (*c* 1.00, CH₂Cl₂); **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, Acetone-*d*₆) δ 7.97 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.53 (s, 4H), 7.39 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.30 – 7.16 (m, 5H), 5.71 (d, *J* = 10.4 Hz, 1H), 4.24 (d, *J* = 9.8 Hz, 1H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 3.65 (s, 1H), 3.40 (t, *J* = 10.2 Hz, 1H). **¹³C NMR** (100 MHz, Acetone-*d*₆) δ 171.7, 147.7, 145.2, 138.4, 135.4, 132.4 (2C), 130.1 (2C), 129.6 (4C), 128.9 (2C), 128.6, 123.5 (2C), 122.4, 82.0, 68.0, 62.8, 52.8, 38.6. **HRMS** (ESI-TOF, *m/z*) calcd for C₂₄H₂₀⁷⁹BrN₃O₄ [M]⁺: 493.0632, found: 493.0635 for C₂₄H₂₀⁸¹BrN₃O₄ [M]⁺: 495.0611, found: 495.0625; **HPLC** (Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 95/5, 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm) t_R = 23.41 min, 29.64 min.



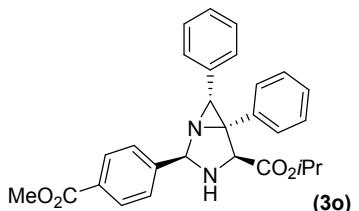
2-(4-nitrophenoxy)-3-phenyl-2*H*-azirine (*S*)-2j yield: 47%; [α]_D²⁵ = -613.9 (*c* 0.17, 97% ee, CH₂Cl₂); **HPLC** (Chiralpak AS, *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 97/3, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm) t_R = 26.46 min, 34.15 min.



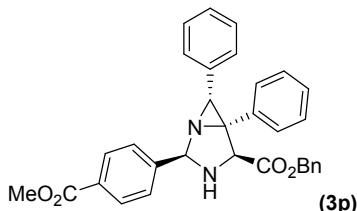
Ethyl (2*R*,4*S*,5*R*,6*R*)-2-(4-(methoxycarbonyl)phenyl)-5-phenyl-6-(*p*-tolyl)-1,3-diazabicyclo[3.1.0]hexane-4-carboxylate White solid, yield: 41.8 mg, 47%; m.p.: 53–55 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -1.42$ (*c* 1.00, CH_2Cl_2); **$^1\text{H NMR}$** (400 MHz, Acetone-*d*₆) δ 7.98 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.70 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.32 – 7.14 (m, 5H), 7.00 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 6.91 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 5.75 (d, *J* = 10.6 Hz, 1H), 4.39 – 4.17 (m, 2H), 4.15 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 3.39 – 3.25 (m, 2H), 2.17 (s, 3H), 1.25 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H). **$^{13}\text{C NMR}$** (100 MHz, Acetone-*d*₆) δ 171.5, 166.9, 144.5, 136.9, 136.4, 133.9, 130.7, 130.4 (2C), 130.3 (2C), 129.2 (2C), 128.6 (2C), 128.5 (2C), 128.3, 127.8 (2C), 82.5, 68.3, 62.2, 61.8, 52.3, 38.9, 21.0, 14.5. **HRMS** (ESI-TOF, *m/z*) calcd for $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{28}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4$ [M]⁺: 456.2044, found: 456.2048; **HPLC** (Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 97/3, 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm) *t*_R = 32.28 min, 37.39 min.



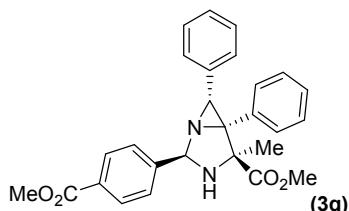
3-phenyl-2-(*p*-tolyl)-2H-azirine (S)-2k yield: 47%; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -380.0$ (*c* 0.10, 92% ee, CH_2Cl_2); **HPLC** (Chiralpak AS, *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 97/3, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm) *t*_R = 6.35 min, 7.97 min.



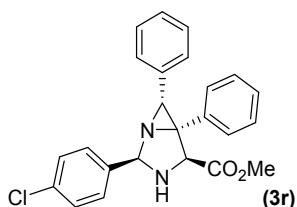
iso-Propyl (2*R*,4*S*,5*R*,6*R*)-2-(4-(methoxycarbonyl)phenyl)-5,6-diphenyl-1,3-diazabicyclo[3.1.0]hexane-4-carboxylate White solid, yield: 33.0 mg, 36%; m.p.: 49–51 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -1.20$ (*c* 1.00, CH_2Cl_2); **$^1\text{H NMR}$** (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.00 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.61 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.23 – 7.02 (m, 10H), 5.76 (d, *J* = 11.1 Hz, 1H), 5.23 – 5.09 (m, 1H), 4.14 (d, *J* = 10.2 Hz, 1H), 3.89 (s, 3H), 3.18 (s, 1H), 3.14 (t, *J* = 11.1 Hz, 1H), 1.24 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 6.2 Hz, 6H). **$^{13}\text{C NMR}$** (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 170.5, 166.9, 142.9, 135.5, 134.9, 130.0 (2C), 130.0, 129.7 (2C), 128.0 (2C), 127.9 (2C), 127.9 (2C), 127.8, 127.0, 126.9 (2C), 82.6, 69.9, 67.9, 61.5, 52.2, 38.6, 21.9, 21.8. **HRMS** (ESI-TOF, *m/z*) calcd for $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{28}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4$ [M]⁺: 456.2044, found: 456.2048; **HPLC** (Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 95/5, 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm) *t*_R = 13.52 min, 21.40 min.



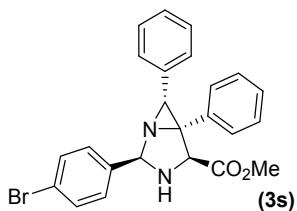
Benzyl **(2*R*,4*S*,5*R*,6*R*)-2-(4-(methoxycarbonyl)phenyl)-5,6-diphenyl-1,3-diazabicyclo[3.1.0]hexane-4-carboxylate** White solid, yield: 42.6 mg, 42%; m.p.: 53-54 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -1.53$ (*c* 0.95, CH_2Cl_2); **$^1\text{H NMR}$** (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.00 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.60 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.38 – 7.27 (m, 5H), 7.19 – 7.06 (m, 6H), 7.03 – 6.93 (m, 4H), 5.76 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 5.36 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 5.13 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 4.22 (d, *J* = 5.8 Hz, 1H), 3.89 (s, 3H), 3.15 (s, 2H). **$^{13}\text{C NMR}$** (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 171.0, 166.9, 142.8, 135.3, 135.0, 134.6, 130.0 (2C), 130.0, 129.6 (2C), 129.1 (2C), 128.8, 128.7 (2C), 128.0 (2C), 127.9 (2C), 127.8 (2C), 127.7, 127.0, 126.9 (2C), 82.6, 67.7, 67.6, 61.4, 52.3, 38.6. **HRMS** (ESI-TOF, *m/z*) calcd for $\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{28}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4$ [M] $^+$: 504.2044, found: 504.2050; **HPLC** (Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 95/5, 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm) t_R = 25.20 min, 47.95 min.



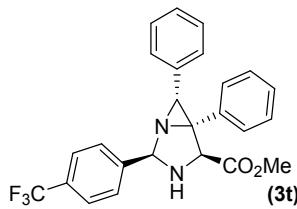
Methyl **(2*R*,4*S*,5*S*,6*R*)-2-(4-(methoxycarbonyl)phenyl)-4-methyl-5,6-diphenyl-1,3-diazabicyclo[3.1.0]hexane-4-carboxylate** White solid, yield: 30.2 mg, 34%; m.p.: 56-57 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -1.80$ (*c* 1.06, CH_2Cl_2); **$^1\text{H NMR}$** (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.99 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.65 – 7.58 (m, 3H), 7.40 – 6.91 (m, 8H), 6.66 (s, 1H), 5.77 (s, 1H), 3.89 (s, 3H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 3.57 (s, 1H), 3.21 (s, 1H), 1.33 (s, 3H). **$^{13}\text{C NMR}$** (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 173.9, 166.9, 143.1, 135.7, 133.3, 131.0, 130.0 (2C), 129.9, 129.4, 127.8 (2C), 127.7 (4C), 127.5, 126.9 (2C), 126.9, 80.3, 69.7, 64.8, 53.0, 52.2, 40.3, 21.8. **HRMS** (ESI-TOF, *m/z*) calcd for $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{26}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4$ [M] $^+$: 442.1887, found: 442.1894; **HPLC** (Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 95/5, 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm) t_R = 6.94 min, 13.00 min.



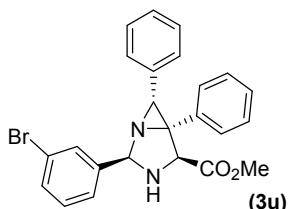
Methyl **(2*R*,4*S*,5*R*,6*R*)-2-(4-chlorophenyl)-5,6-diphenyl-1,3-diazabicyclo[3.1.0]hexane-4-carboxylate** White solid, yield: 38.2 mg, 47%; m.p.: 57-59 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -1.77$ (*c* 1.00, CH_2Cl_2); **$^1\text{H NMR}$** (400 MHz, Acetone-*d*₆) δ 7.59 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.38 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.27 – 7.17 (m, 5H), 7.14 – 7.04 (m, 5H), 5.69 (d, *J* = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 4.17 (d, *J* = 10.1 Hz, 1H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.42 (s, 1H), 3.30 (t, *J* = 10.5 Hz, 1H). **$^{13}\text{C NMR}$** (100 MHz, Acetone-*d*₆) δ 172.1, 138.3, 137.0, 136.3, 134.1, 130.2 (2C), 129.3 (2C), 129.3 (2C), 128.6 (2C), 128.6 (2C), 128.5 (2C), 128.2, 127.5, 82.1, 68.2, 61.9, 52.7, 39.0. **HRMS** (ESI-TOF, *m/z*) calcd for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{21}\text{ClN}_2\text{O}_2$ [M] $^+$: 404.1286, found: 404.1296; **HPLC** (Chiralpak IF, *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 97/3, 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm) t_R = 7.38 min, 7.86 min.



Methyl (2*R*,4*S*,5*R*,6*R*)-2-(4-bromophenyl)-5,6-diphenyl-1,3-diazabicyclo[3.1.0]hexane-4-carboxylate White solid, yield: 43.4 mg, 48%; m.p.: 56-58 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -1.14$ (*c* 0.95, CH₂Cl₂); **¹H NMR** (500 MHz, Acetone-*d*₆) δ 7.53 (brs, 4H), 7.29 – 7.14 (m, 5H), 7.15 – 6.99 (m, 5H), 5.67 (dd, *J* = 10.9, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 4.17 (d, *J* = 10.2 Hz, 1H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.42 (d, *J* = 0.8 Hz, 1H), 3.31 (t, *J* = 10.6 Hz, 1H). **¹³C NMR** (126 MHz, Acetone-*d*₆) δ 172.0, 138.8, 136.9, 136.3, 132.3 (2C), 130.2 (2C), 129.7 (2C), 128.6 (2C), 128.6 (2C), 128.5 (2C), 128.2, 127.5, 122.3, 82.1, 68.1, 61.9, 52.7, 38.9. **HRMS** (ESI-TOF, *m/z*) calcd for C₂₄H₂₁⁷⁹BrN₂O₂ [M]⁺: 448.0781, found: 448.0784, for C₂₄H₂₁⁸¹BrN₂O₂ [M]⁺: 450.0760, found: 450.0780; **HPLC** (Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 97/3, 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm) t_R = 17.22 min, 18.32 min.

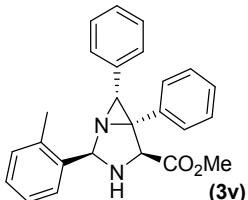


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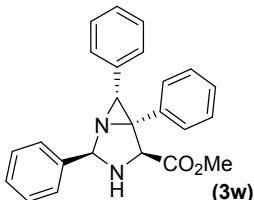


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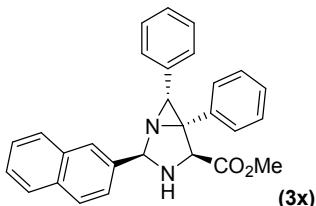
128.5 (2C), 128.5 (2C), 128.2, 127.5, 126.5, 122.8, 81.9, 68.0, 61.8, 52.7, 39.1. **HRMS** (ESI-TOF, *m/z*) calcd C₂₄H₂₁⁷⁹BrN₂O₂ [M]⁺: 448.0781, found: 448.0781, for C₂₄H₂₁⁸¹BrN₂O₂ [M]⁺: 450.0760, found: 450.0752; **HPLC** (Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 97/3, 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm) t_R = 15.63 min, 19.52 min.



Methyl (2*R*,4*S*,5*R*,6*R*)-5,6-diphenyl-2-(*o*-tolyl)-1,3-diazabicyclo[3.1.0]hexane-4-carboxylate White solid, yield: 34.7 mg, 45%; m.p.: 49–50 °C; [α]_D²⁵ = -0.82 (*c* 1.00, CH₂Cl₂); **¹H NMR** (500 MHz, Acetone-*d*₆) δ 7.50 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.29 – 7.24 (m, 2H), 7.23 – 7.16 (m, 5H), 7.14 – 7.05 (m, 6H), 5.72 (d, *J* = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 4.16 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.56 (s, 1H), 3.17 (t, *J* = 10.4 Hz, 1H), 2.59 (s, 3H). **¹³C NMR** (126 MHz, Acetone-*d*₆) δ 172.3, 138.1, 137.1, 136.8, 136.6, 131.3, 130.2 (2C), 128.8, 128.7 (2C), 128.6 (2C), 128.5 (2C), 128.1, 127.4, 126.4, 126.1, 80.6, 68.0, 60.7, 52.6, 39.3, 19.9. **HRMS** (ESI-TOF, *m/z*) calcd for C₂₅H₂₄N₂O₂ [M]⁺: 384.1832, found: 384.1839; **HPLC** (Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 90/10, 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm) t_R = 6.52 min, 7.52 min.

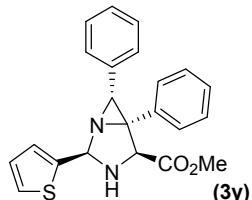


Methyl (2*R*,4*S*,5*R*,6*R*)-2,5,6-triphenyl-1,3-diazabicyclo[3.1.0]hexane-4-carboxylate White solid, yield: 33.5 mg, 45%; m.p.: 116–118 °C; [α]_D²⁵ = -1.04 (*c* 1.01, CH₂Cl₂); **¹H NMR** (500 MHz, Acetone-*d*₆) δ 7.58 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.39 – 7.27 (m, 3H), 7.26 – 7.23 (m, 2H), 7.22 – 7.16 (m, 3H), 7.14 – 7.03 (m, 5H), 5.70 (d, *J* = 11.0 Hz, 1H), 4.16 (d, *J* = 10.3 Hz, 1H), 3.87 – 3.71 (m, 3H), 3.38 (s, 1H), 3.24 (t, *J* = 10.8 Hz, 1H). **¹³C NMR** (126 MHz, Acetone-*d*₆) δ 172.2, 139.4, 137.1, 136.4, 130.3 (2C), 129.3 (2C), 128.8, 128.6 (2C), 128.6 (2C), 128.4 (2C), 128.2, 127.5 (2C), 127.4, 82.8, 68.2, 61.9, 52.7, 38.9. **HRMS** (ESI-TOF, *m/z*) calcd for C₂₄H₂₂N₂O₂ [M]⁺: 370.1676, found: 370.1678; **HPLC** (Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 97/3, 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm) t_R = 16.73 min, 19.53 min.

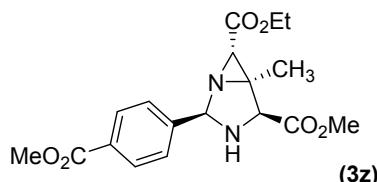


Methyl (2*R*,4*S*,5*R*,6*R*)-2-(naphthalen-2-yl)-5,6-diphenyl-1,3-diazabicyclo[3.1.0]hexane-4-carboxylate White solid, yield: 34.7 mg, 41%; m.p.: 58–60 °C; [α]_D²⁵ = -1.06 (*c* 1.02, CH₂Cl₂); **¹H NMR** (500 MHz, Acetone-*d*₆) δ 8.08 (s, 1H), 7.88 (dd, *J* = 8.9, 4.1 Hz, 2H), 7.84 – 7.78 (m, 1H), 7.76 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.53 – 7.45 (m, 2H), 7.32 – 7.25 (m, 2H), 7.24 – 7.18 (m, 3H), 7.16 – 7.13 (m, 2H), 7.12 – 7.02 (m, 3H), 5.86 (d, *J* = 10.4 Hz, 1H), 4.23 (d, *J* = 9.8 Hz, 1H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 3.48 (s, 1H),

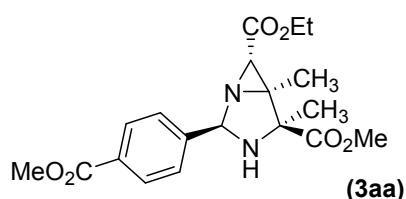
3.42 (t, $J = 10.5$ Hz, 1H). **^{13}C NMR** (126 MHz, Acetone- d_6) δ 172.2, 137.2, 137.0, 136.6, 134.1, 134.0, 130.3 (2C), 128.9, 128.9, 128.7 (4C), 128.5, 128.4 (2C), 128.2, 127.4, 127.1, 127.0, 126.2, 125.9, 82.9, 68.3, 61.9, 52.7, 39.1. **HRMS** (ESI-TOF, m/z) calcd for $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{24}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$ [M] $^+$: 420.1832, found: 420.1837; **HPLC** (Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 90/10, 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm) $t_{\text{R}} = 13.94$ min, 30.49 min.



Methyl (2*R*,4*S*,5*R*,6*R*)-5,6-diphenyl-2-(thiophen-2-yl)-1,3-diazabicyclo[3.1.0]hexane-4-carboxylate White solid, yield: 31.8 mg, 42%; m.p.: 78-80 °C; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = -1.11$ (c 1.06, CH_2Cl_2); **^1H NMR** (500 MHz, Acetone- d_6) δ 7.40 (dd, $J = 5.1, 1.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.27 – 7.22 (m, 2H), 7.23 – 7.14 (m, 4H), 7.13 – 7.03 (m, 5H), 7.00 (dd, $J = 5.1, 3.5$ Hz, 1H), 5.81 (d, $J = 10.4$ Hz, 1H), 4.16 (d, $J = 10.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.54 (s, 1H), 3.35 (t, $J = 10.3$ Hz, 1H). **^{13}C NMR** (126 MHz, Acetone- d_6) δ 172.0, 141.7, 136.9, 136.3, 130.2 (2C), 128.7 (2C), 128.6 (2C), 128.4 (2C), 128.3, 127.6, 127.4, 126.3, 126.1, 79.4, 68.1, 62.1, 52.8, 39.5. **HRMS** (ESI-TOF, m/z) calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{S}$ [M] $^+$: 376.1240, found: 376.1243; **HPLC** (Chiraleel OD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 97/3, 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm) $t_{\text{R}} = 10.19$ min, 13.03 min.



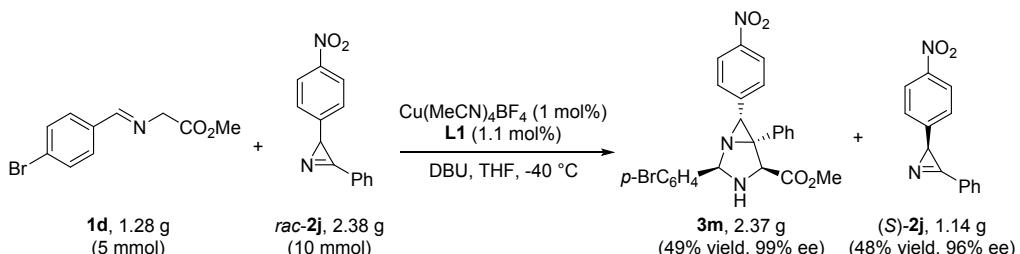
6-ethyl 4-methyl (2*R*,4*S*,5*R*,6*S*)-2-(4-(methoxycarbonyl)phenyl)-5-methyl-1,3-diazabicyclo[3.1.0]hexane-4,6-dicarboxylate Colorless oil, yield: 31.2 mg, 43%; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = -13.80$ (c 1.00, CH_2Cl_2); **^1H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.03 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.56 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 2H), 5.36 (d, $J = 10.9$ Hz, 1H), 4.30 – 4.10 (m, 2H), 3.91 (s, 3H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 2.74 (t, $J = 10.9$ Hz, 1H), 2.28 (s, 1H), 1.72 (s, 1H), 1.60 (s, 3H), 1.25 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 3H). **^{13}C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 170.6, 168.5, 166.7, 141.9, 130.1, 129.9 (2C), 126.5 (2C), 81.0, 65.8, 61.4, 53.9, 52.9, 52.2, 34.9, 14.2, 13.4. **HRMS** (EI-TOF, m/z) calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_2\text{O}_6$ [M] $^+$: 362.1472, found: 362.1476; **HPLC** (Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/ethanol = 90/10, 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm) $t_{\text{R}} = 23.91$ min, 30.90 min.



6-ethyl 4-methyl (2*R*,4*S*,5*S*,6*S*)-2-(4-(methoxycarbonyl)phenyl)-4,5-dimethyl-1,3-diazabicyclo[3.1.0]hexane-4,6-dicarboxylate White solid, yield: 26.5 mg, 35%; m.p.: 74-78 °C; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = -12.50$ (c 1.00, CH_2Cl_2); **^1H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.03 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.57 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 2H), 5.40 (d, $J = 11.2$ Hz, 1H), 4.28 – 4.11 (m, 2H), 3.91 (s, 3), 3.82 (s, 3H), 3.10 (d, $J = 11.6$ Hz, 1H), 2.29 (d, J

= 0.8 Hz, 1H), 1.57 (s, 3H), 1.52 (s, 3H), 1.24 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 173.0, 168.8, 166.9, 142.4, 130.1, 130.0 (2C), 126.7 (2C), 79.2, 69.1, 61.4, 56.2, 53.2, 52.3, 36.9, 20.6, 14.4, 10.9. HRMS (EI-TOF, m/z) calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{24}\text{N}_2\text{O}_6$ [M] $^+$: 376.1629, found: 376.1631; HPLC (Chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 90/10, 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm) t_R = 13.00 min, 13.77 min.

Gram scale procedure



Under a nitrogen atmosphere, $\text{Cu}(\text{CH}_3\text{CN})_4\text{BF}_4$ (15.7 mg, 0.05 mmol) and **L1** (28.3 mg, 0.055 mmol) were dissolved in dry THF (60 mL), and stirred at room temperature for about 1 h. Then, glycine imine **1d** (1.28 g, 5.0 mmol) and DBU (0.15 mL, 1.0 mmol) were added, the mixture was cooled to -40 °C and azirine **2j** (2.38 g, 10 mmol) was added. Once starting material was consumed (monitored by TLC, about 5 h), the mixture was filtered through celite and the filtrate was concentrated, then the residue was purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate 10:1 to 4:1) on silica gel to afford the corresponding product **3m** and **2j**.

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The absolute configuration determination of 3m

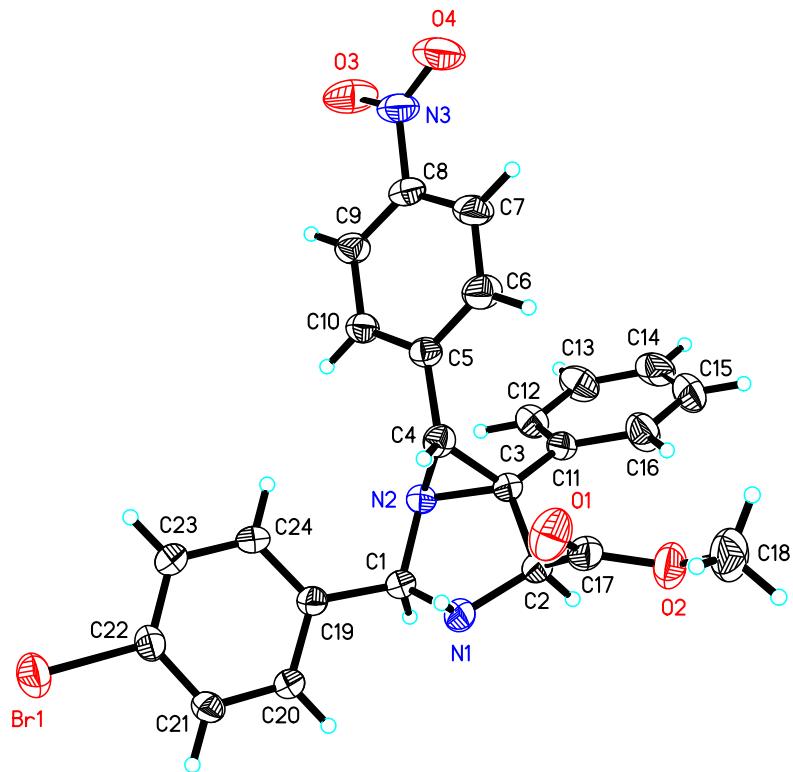


Fig S2. X-ray structure of (*2R,4S,5R,6R*)-**3m**
Ellipsoids are drawn at the 30% probability level.

Crystal data and structure refinement for CCDC 2008510

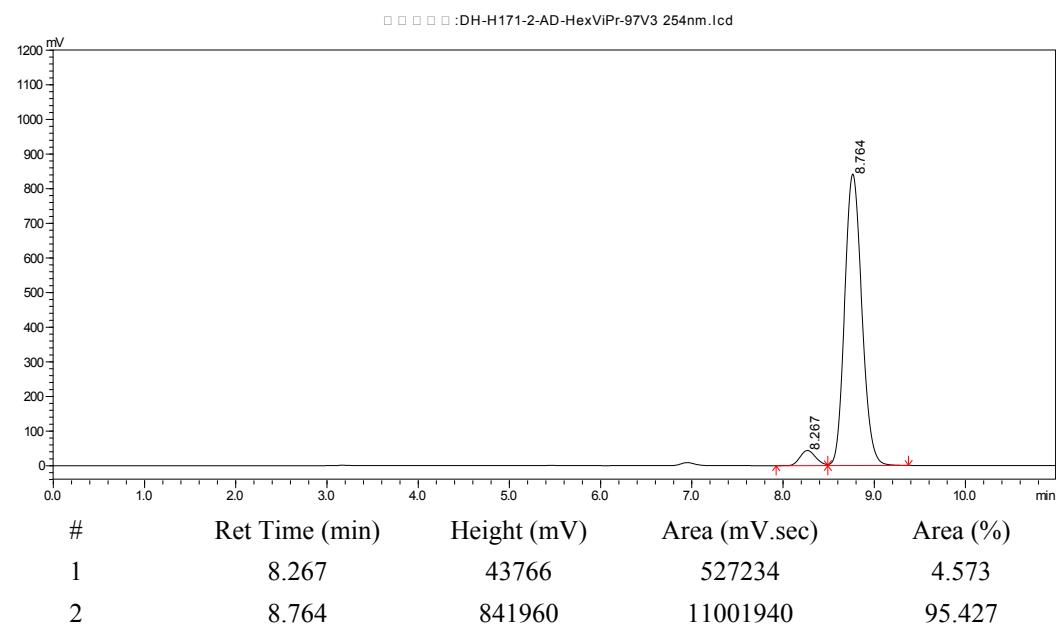
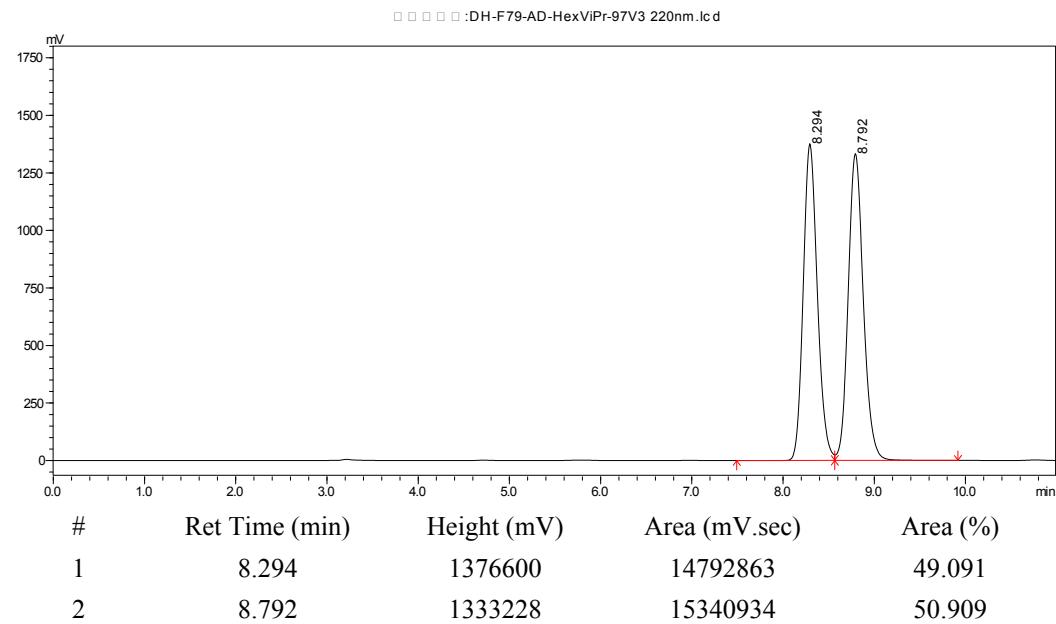
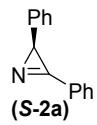
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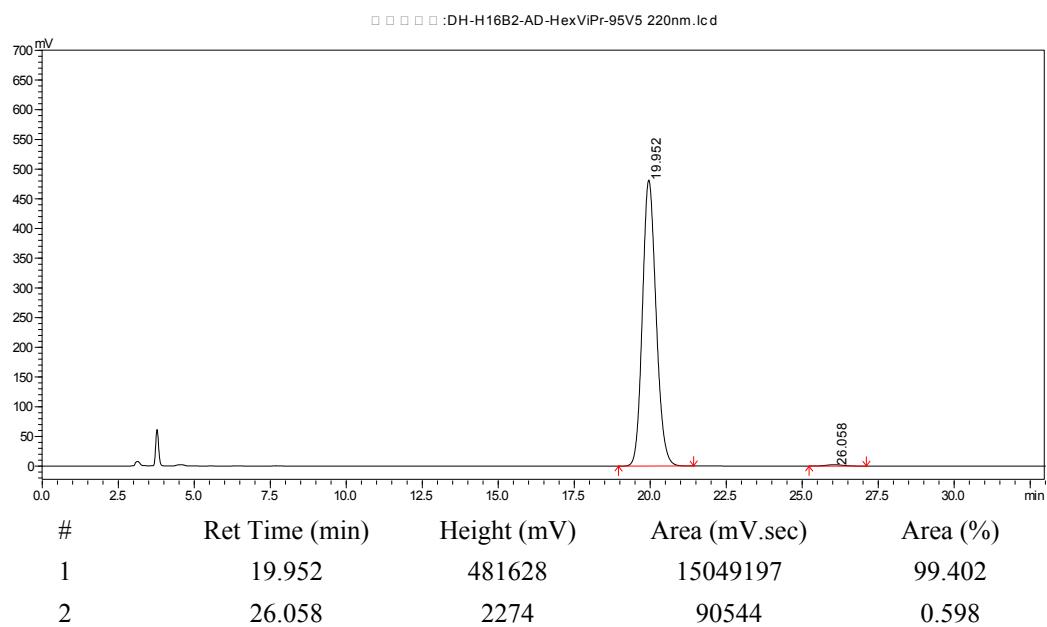
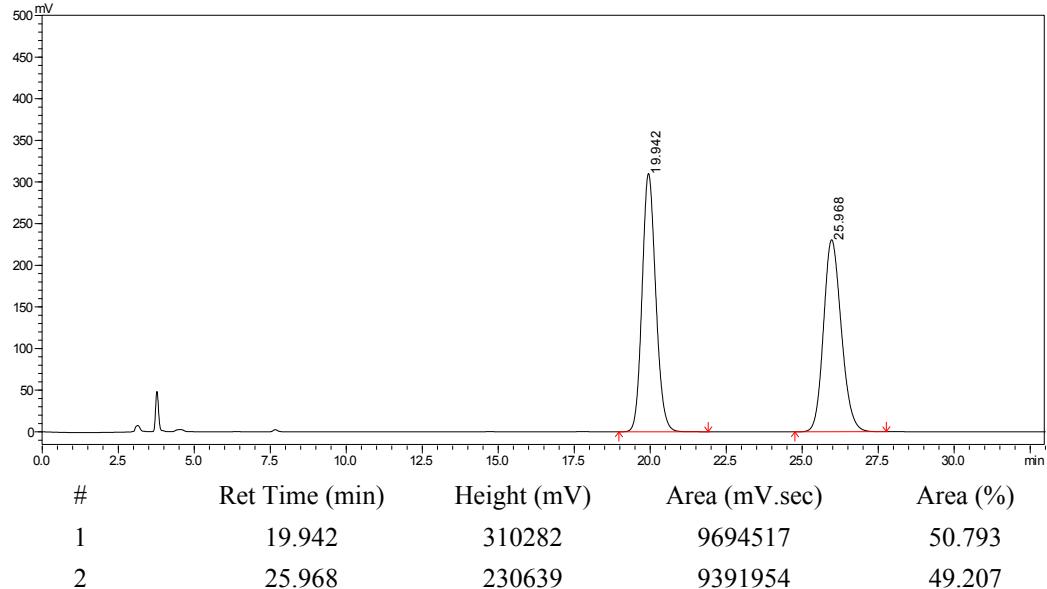
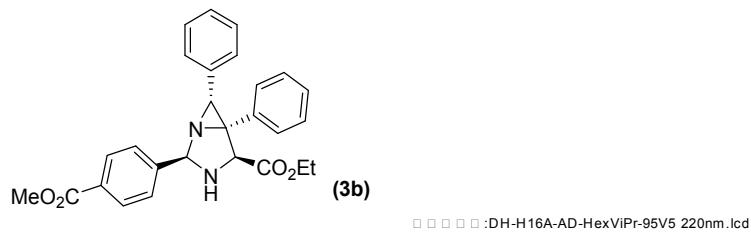
Table S2. Crystal data and structure refinement for (*2R,4S,5R,6R*)-**3m**.

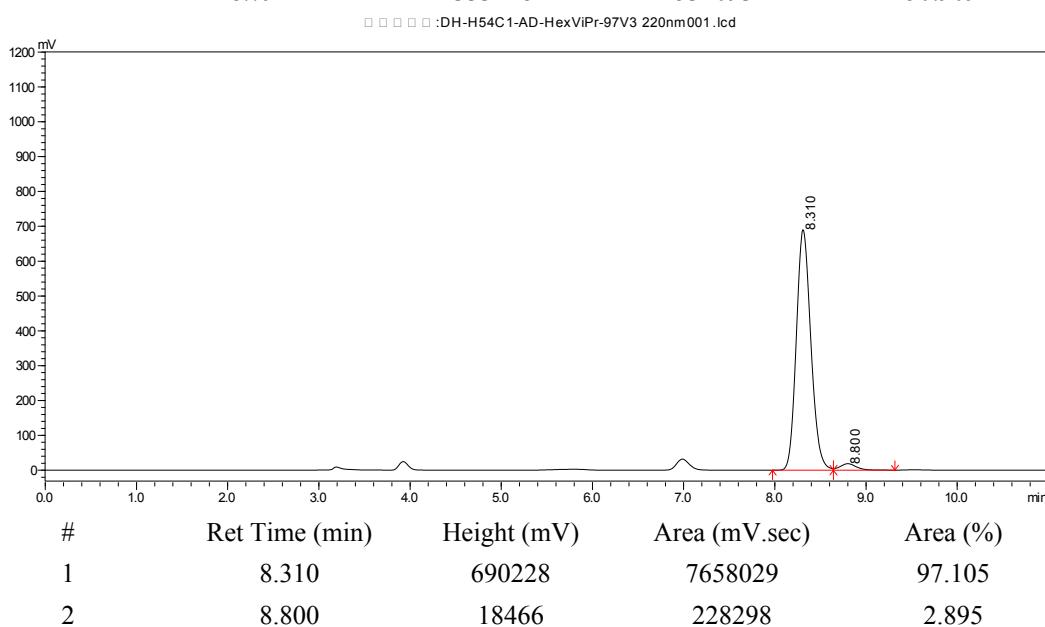
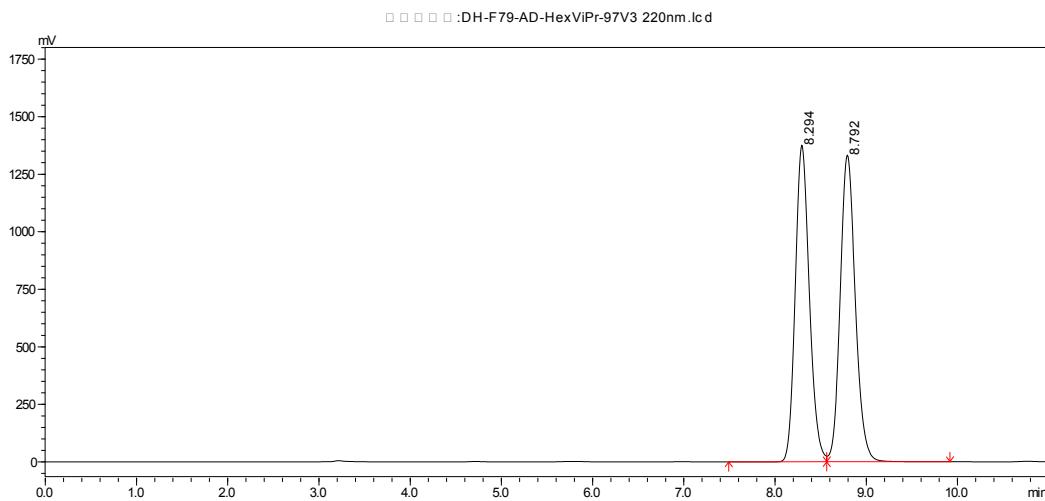
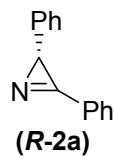
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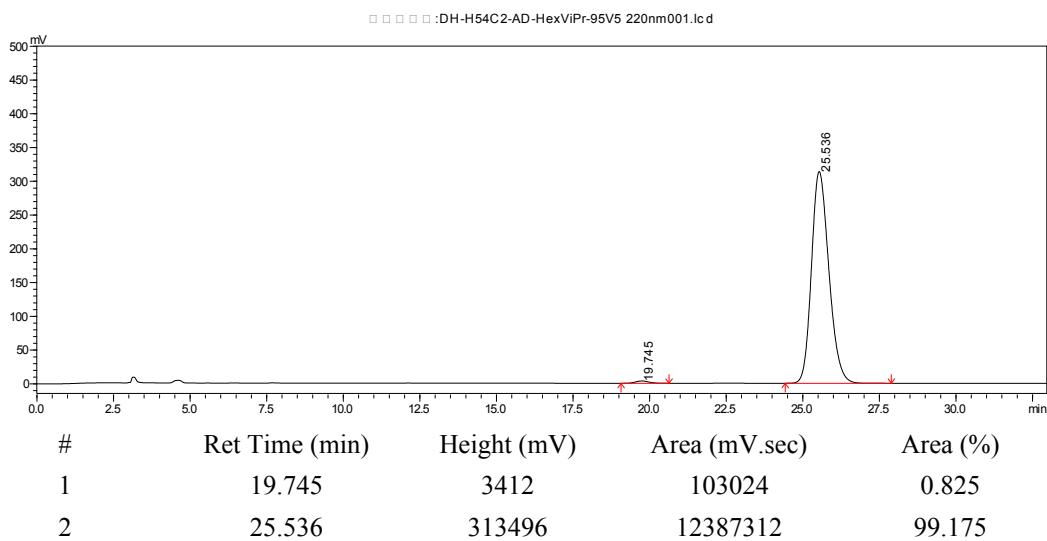
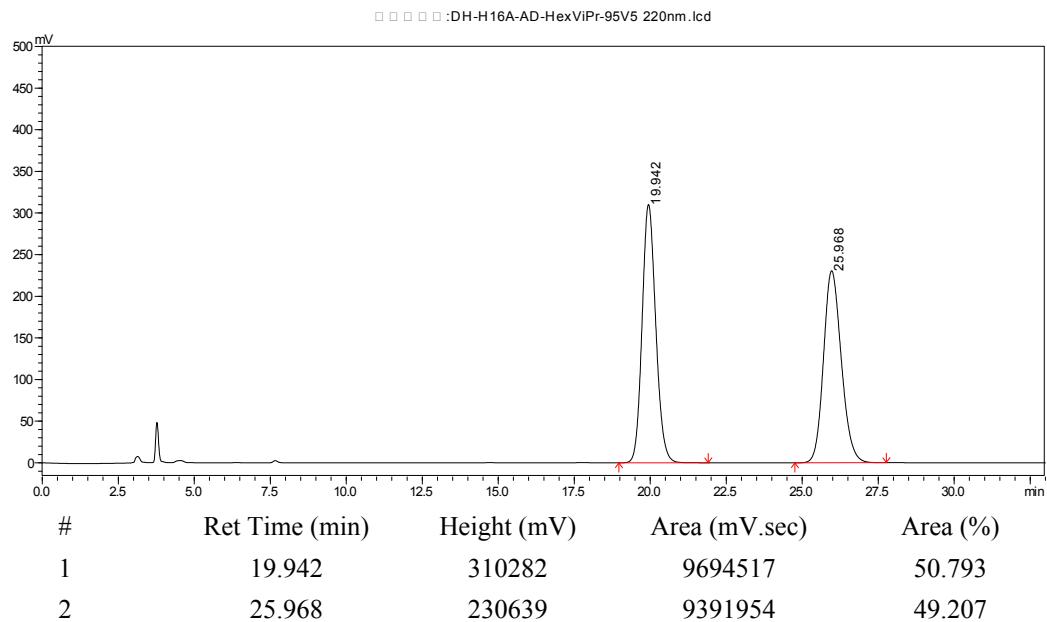
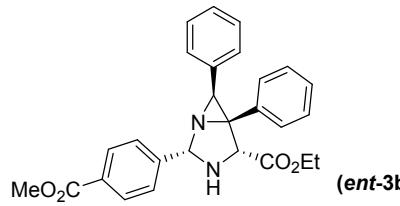
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F(000)	1008
Crystal size	0.160 x 0.140 x 0.100 mm ³
Theta range for data collection	2.242 to 25.997°.
Index ranges	-11<=h<=11, -22<=k<=22, -16<=l<=16
Reflections collected	33837
Independent reflections	8745 [R(int) = 0.0518]
Completeness to theta = 25.242°	99.8 %
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents
Max. and min. transmission	0.7456 and 0.3477
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²
Data / restraints / parameters	8745 / 1 / 588
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.010
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0352, wR2 = 0.0699
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0628, wR2 = 0.0801
Absolute structure parameter	0.022(5)
Extinction coefficient	0.0065(9)
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.299 and -0.327 e.Å ⁻³

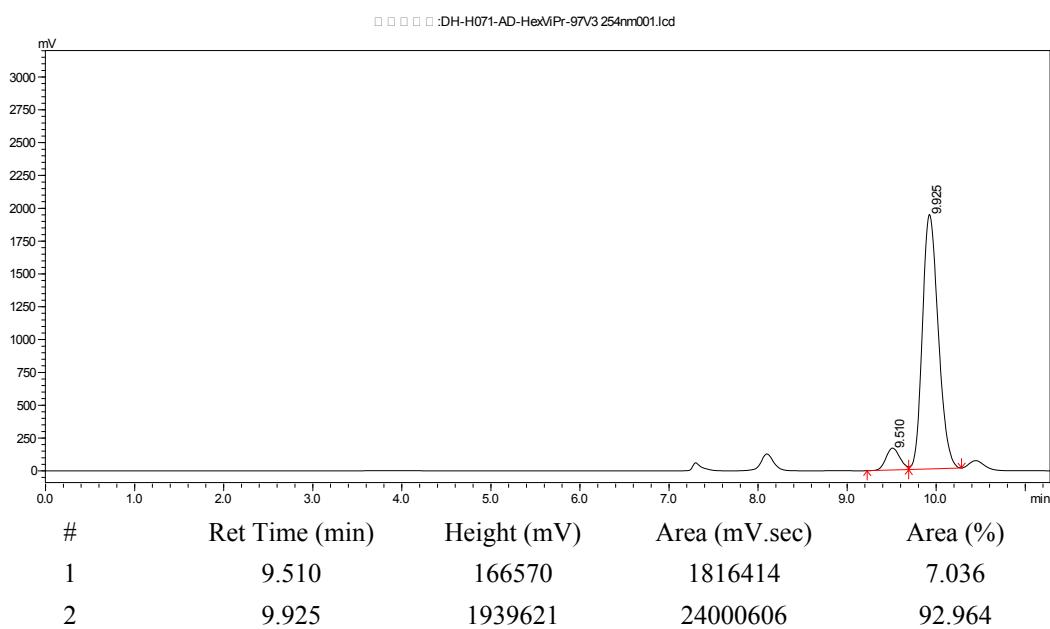
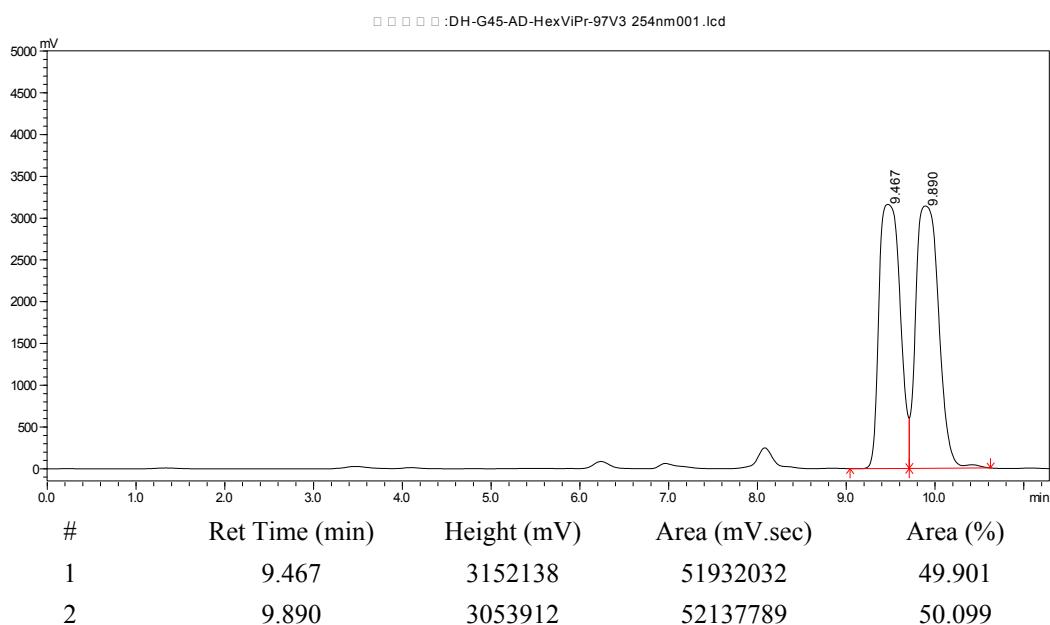
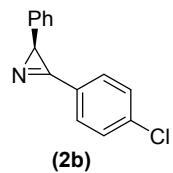
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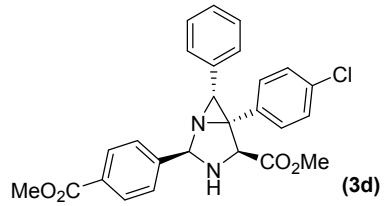




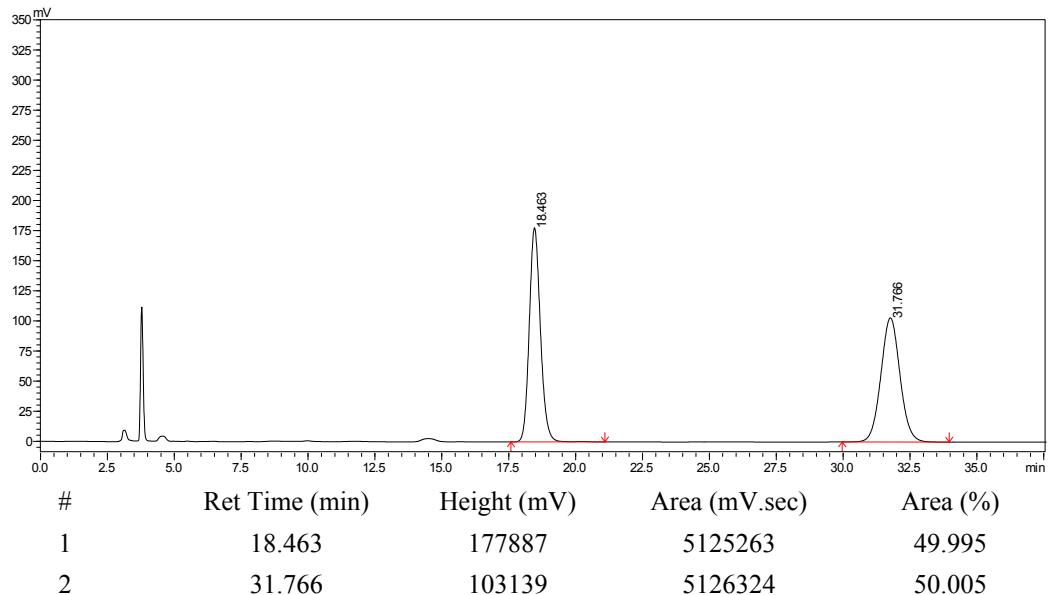




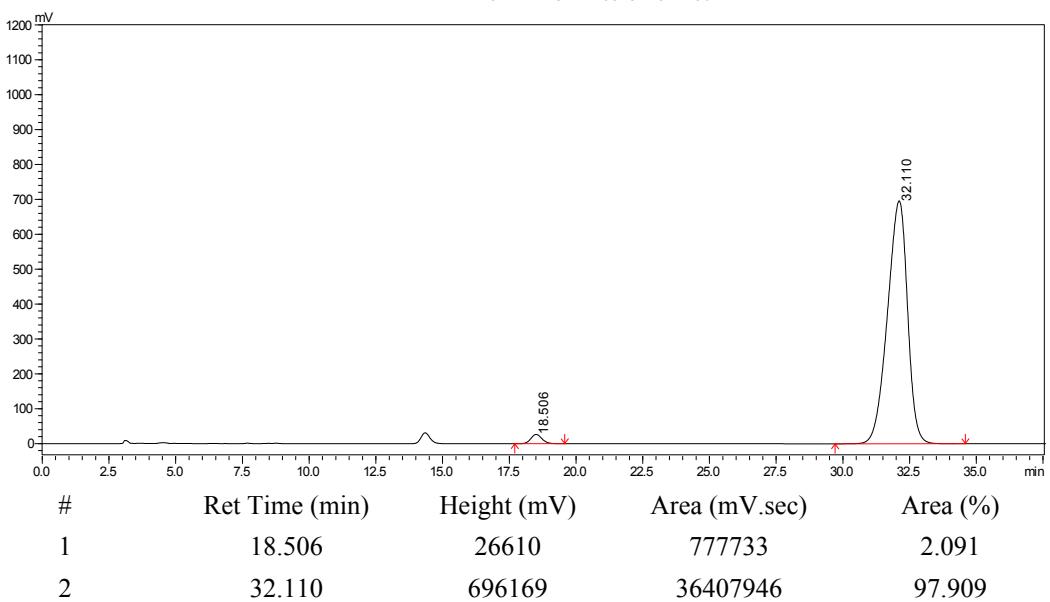


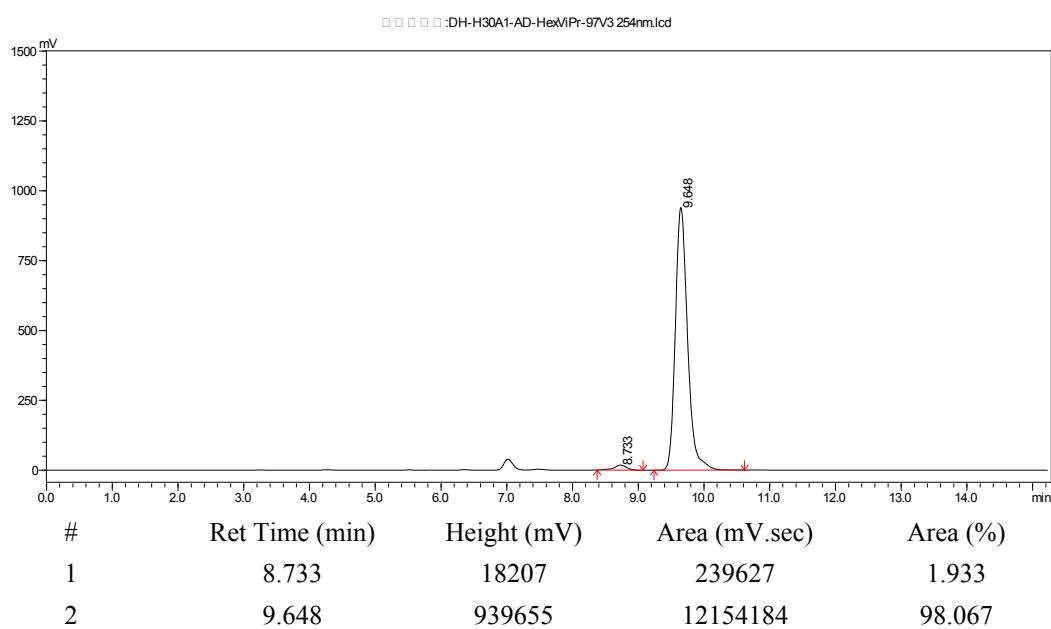
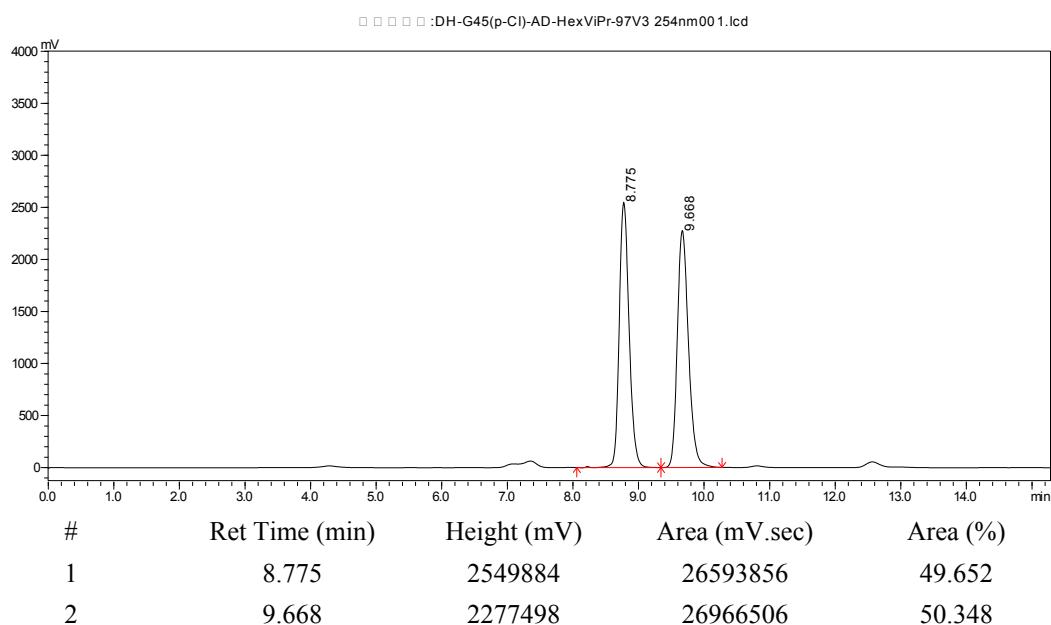
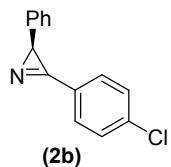


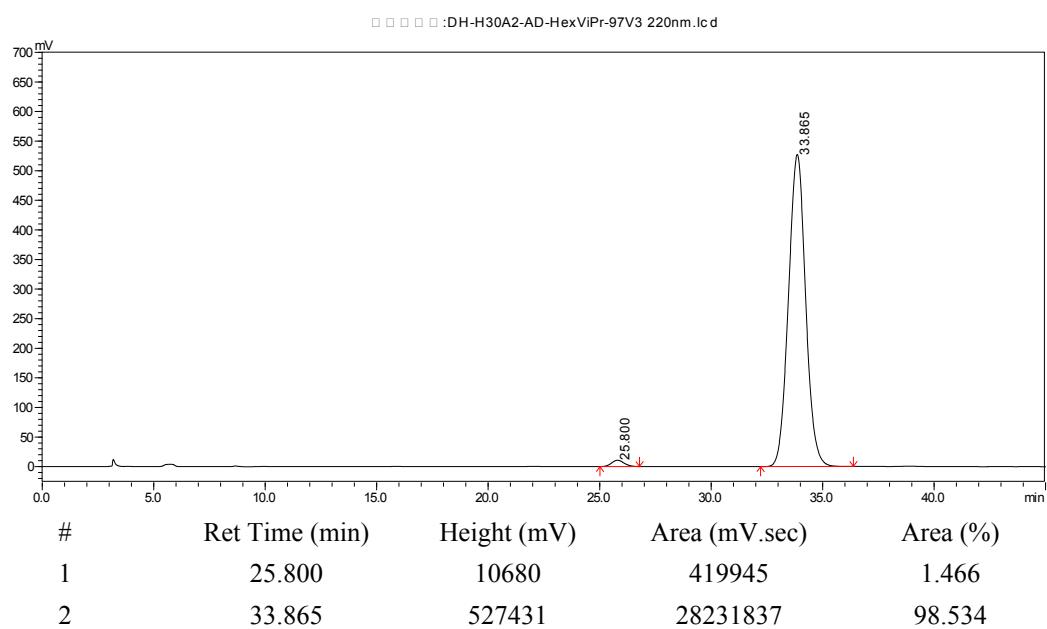
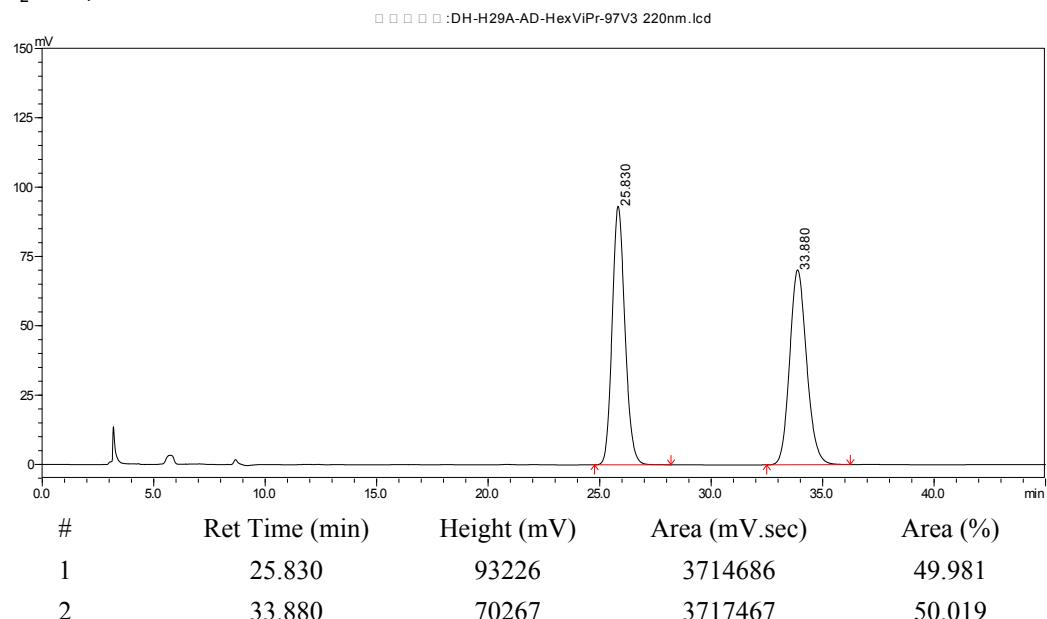
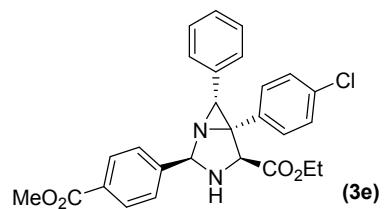
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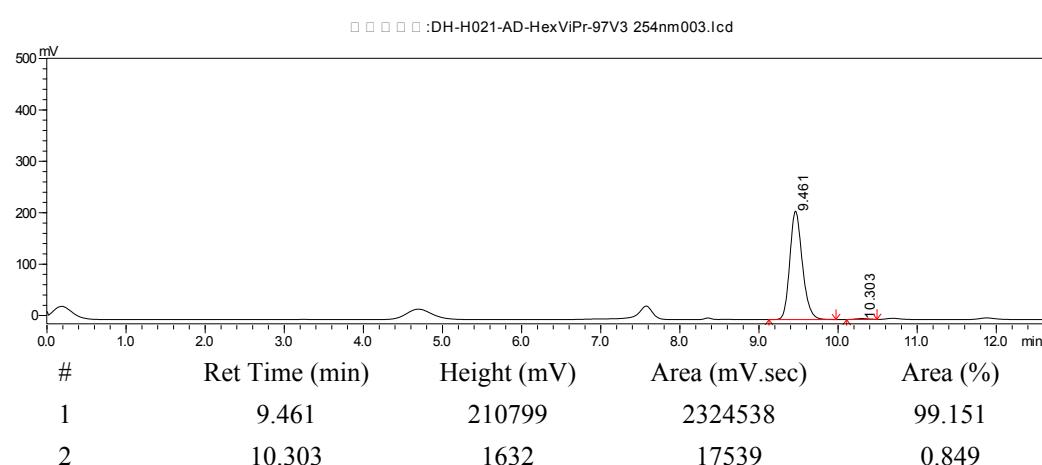
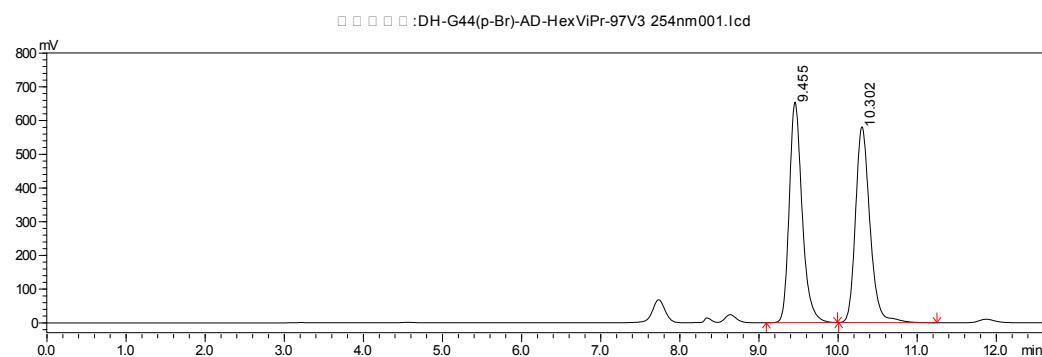
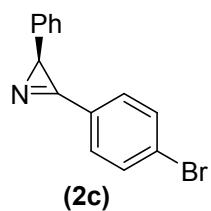


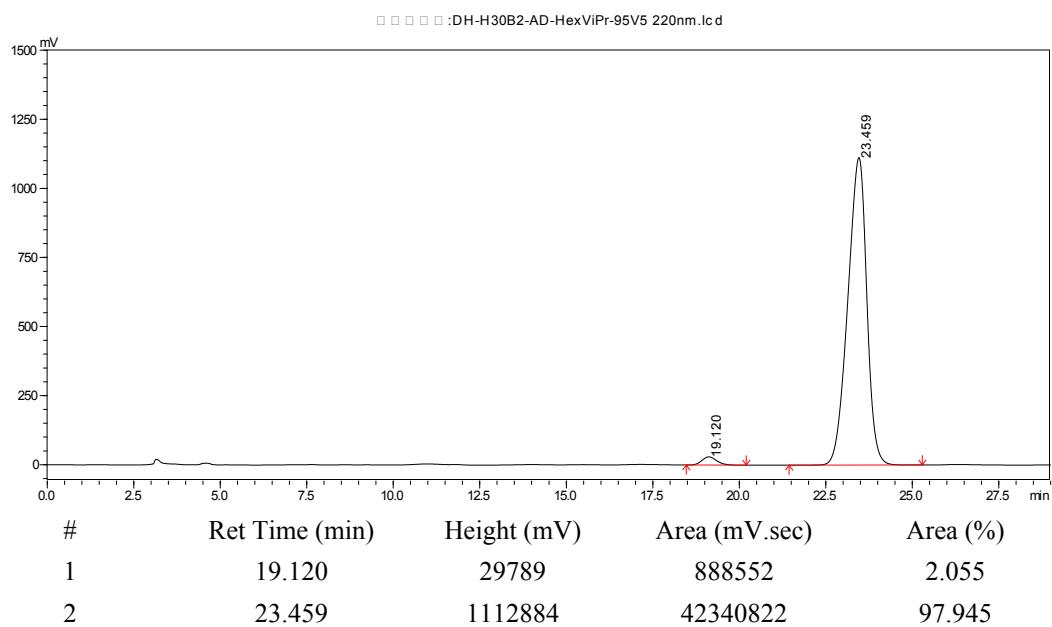
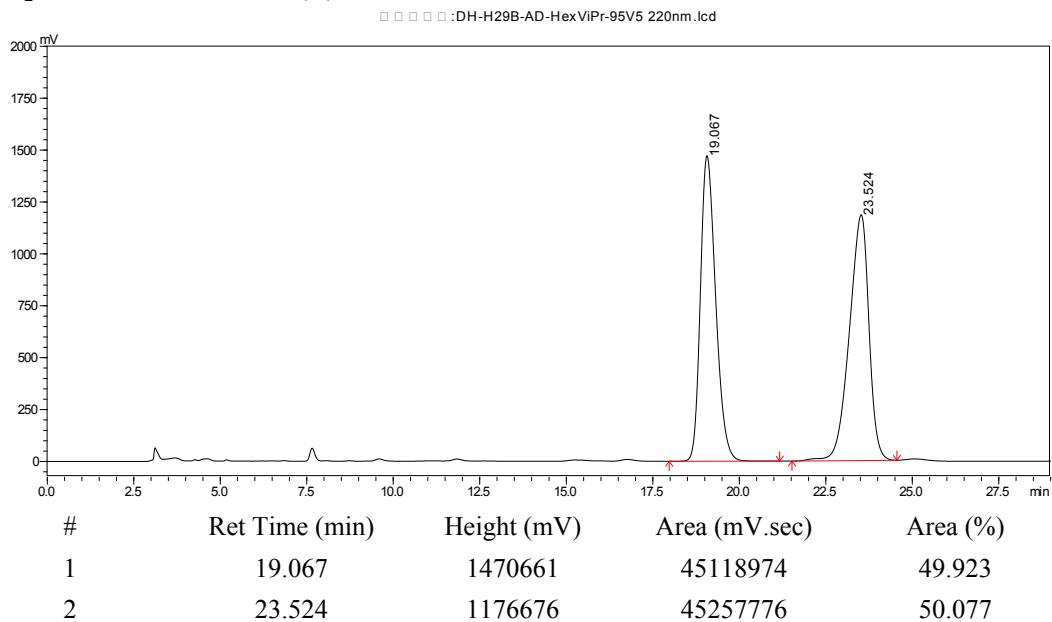
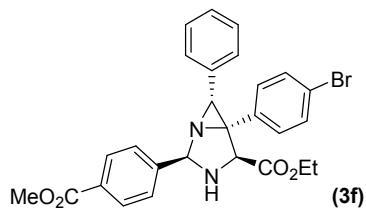
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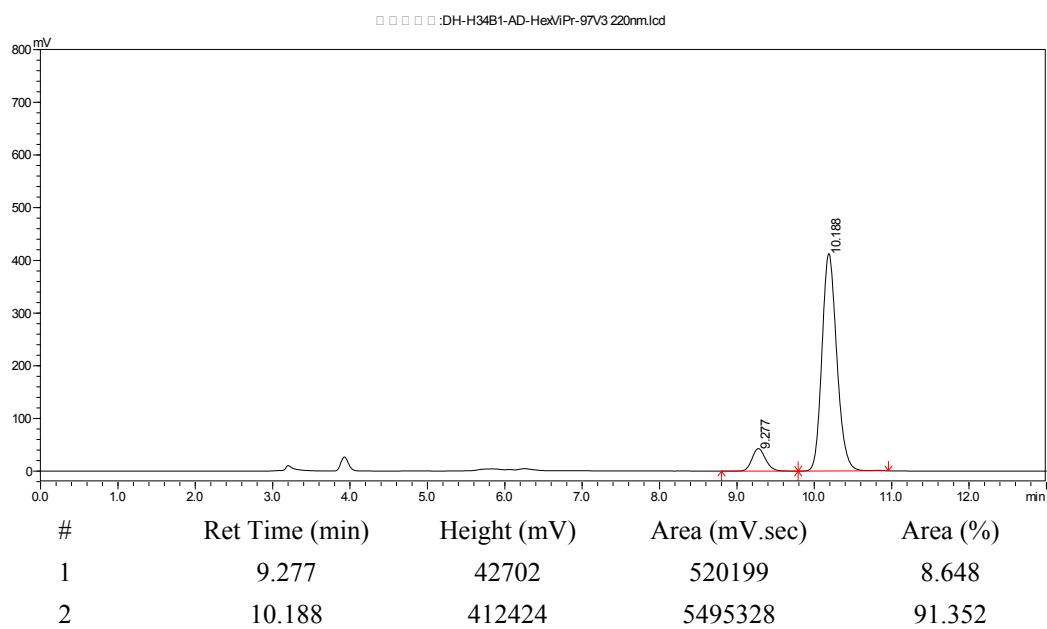
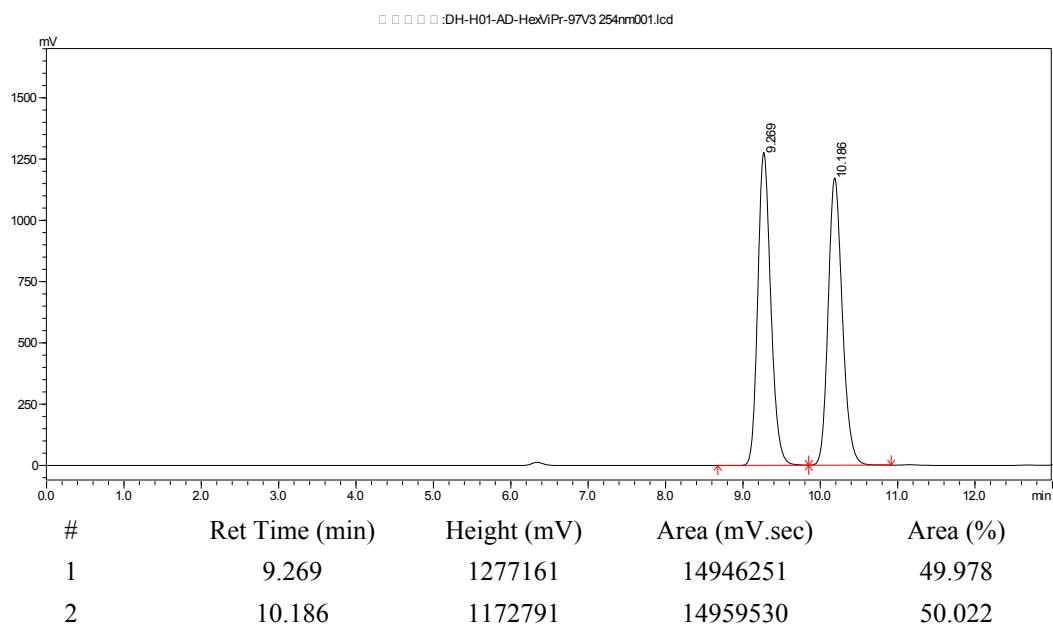
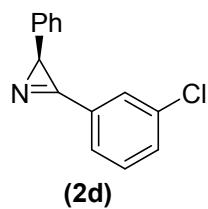


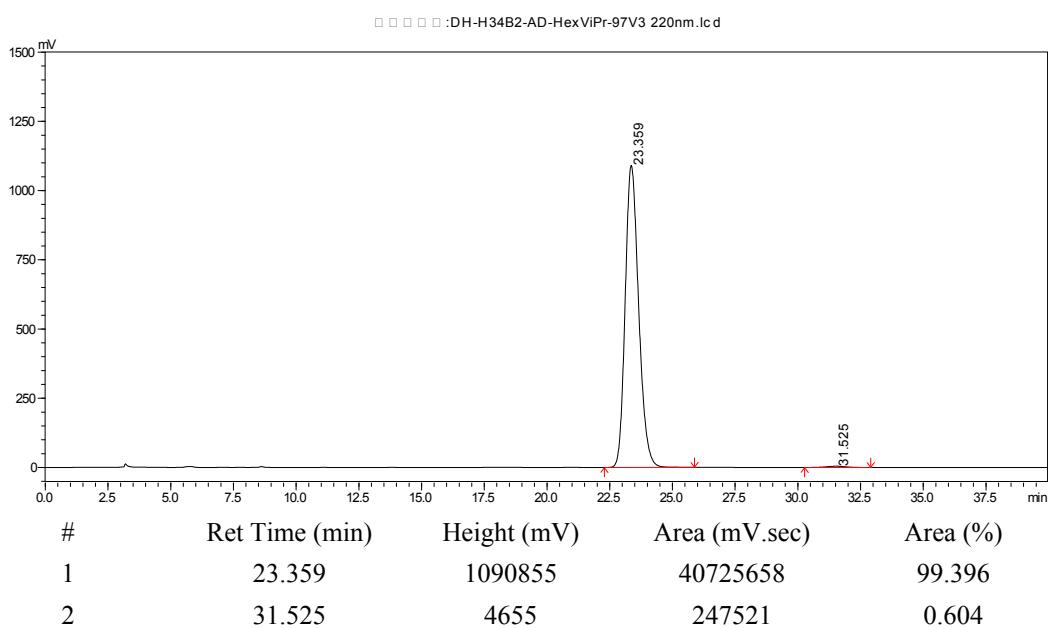
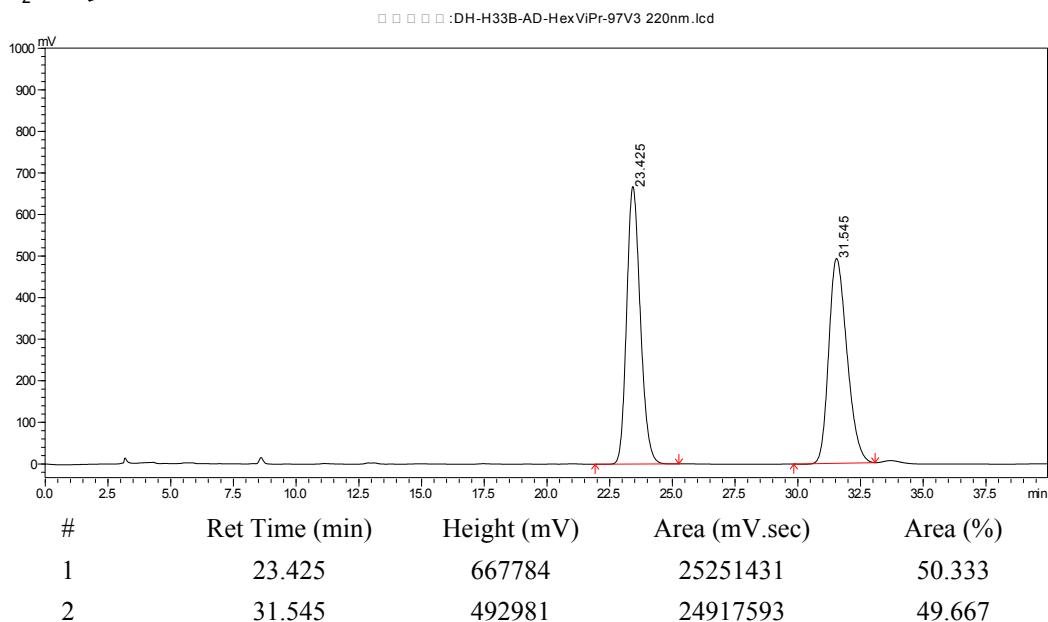
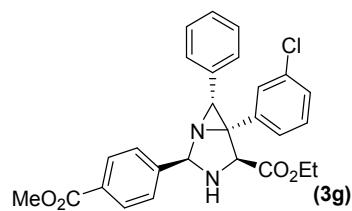


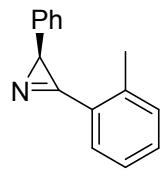




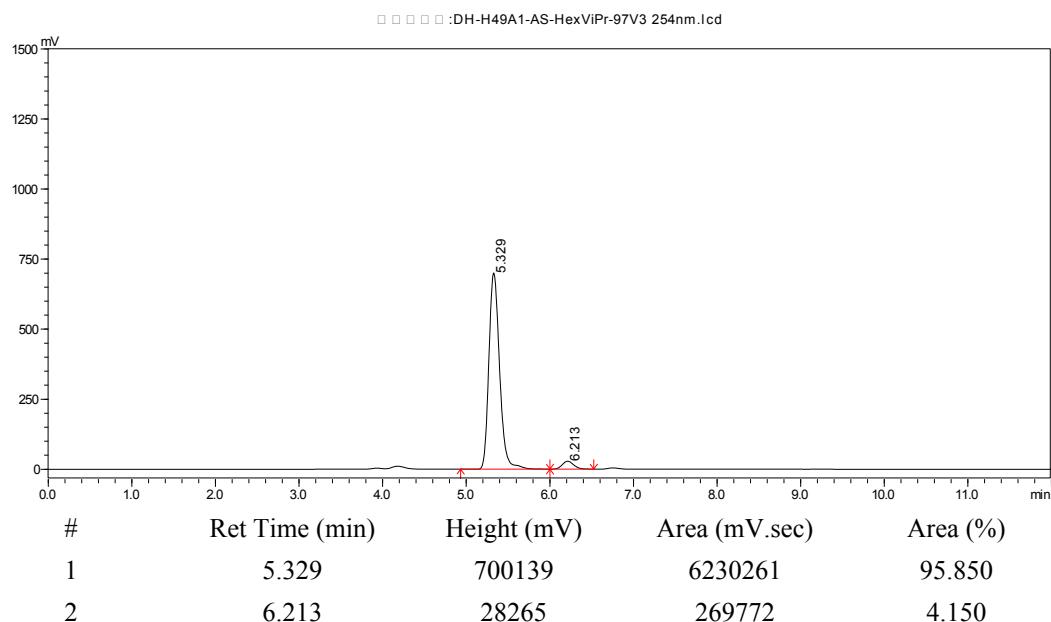
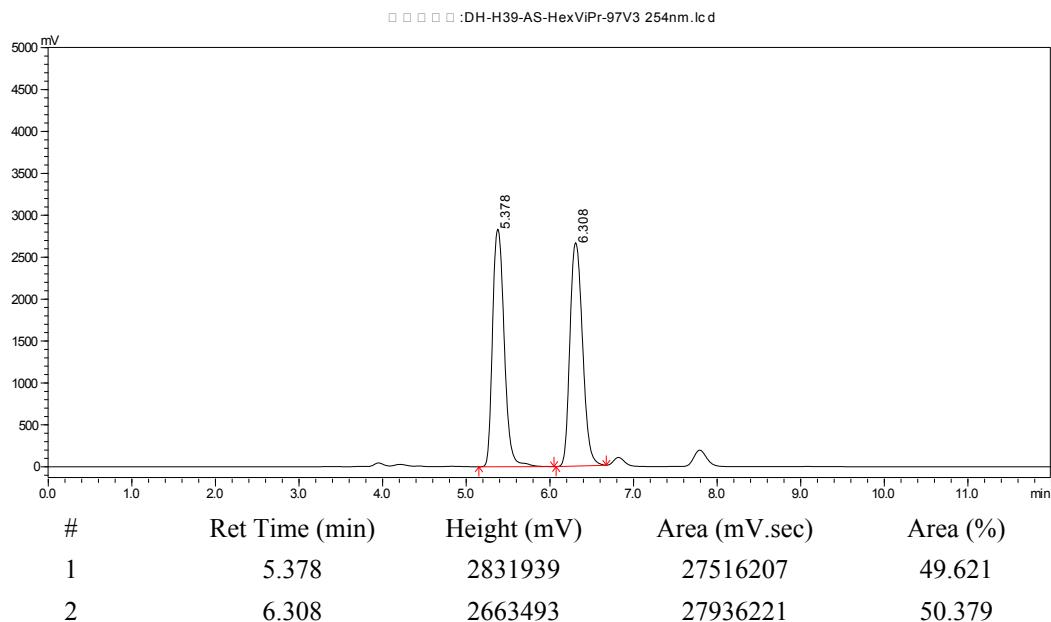


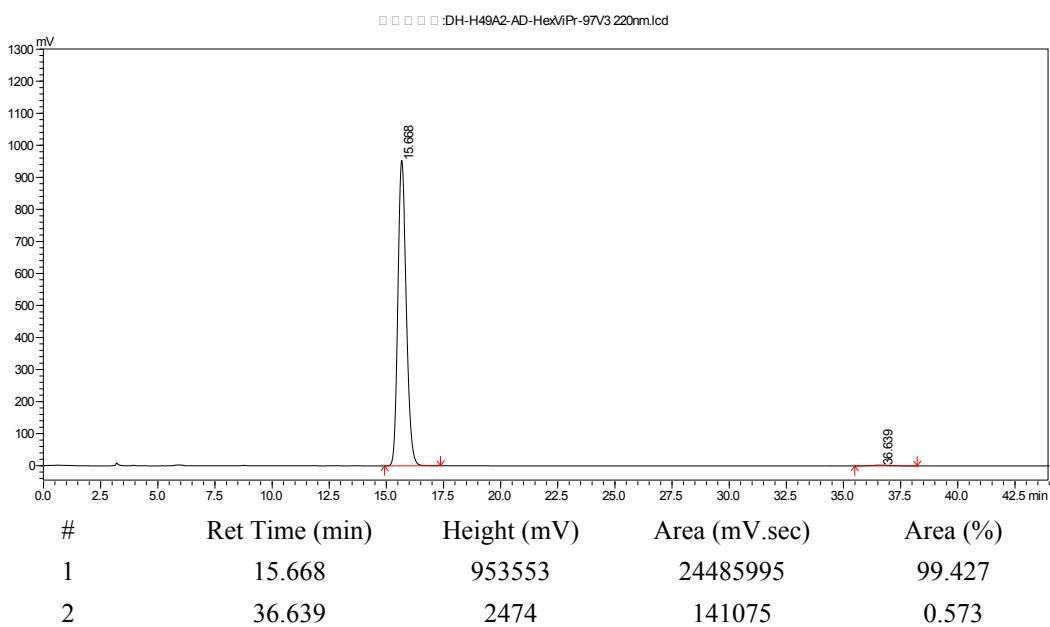
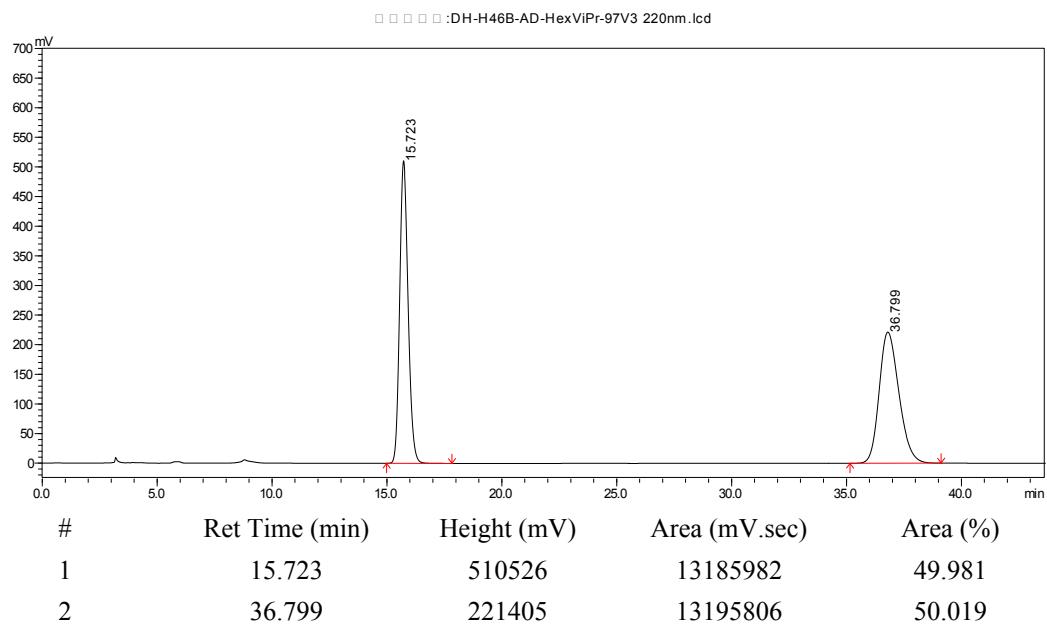
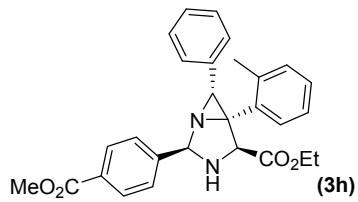


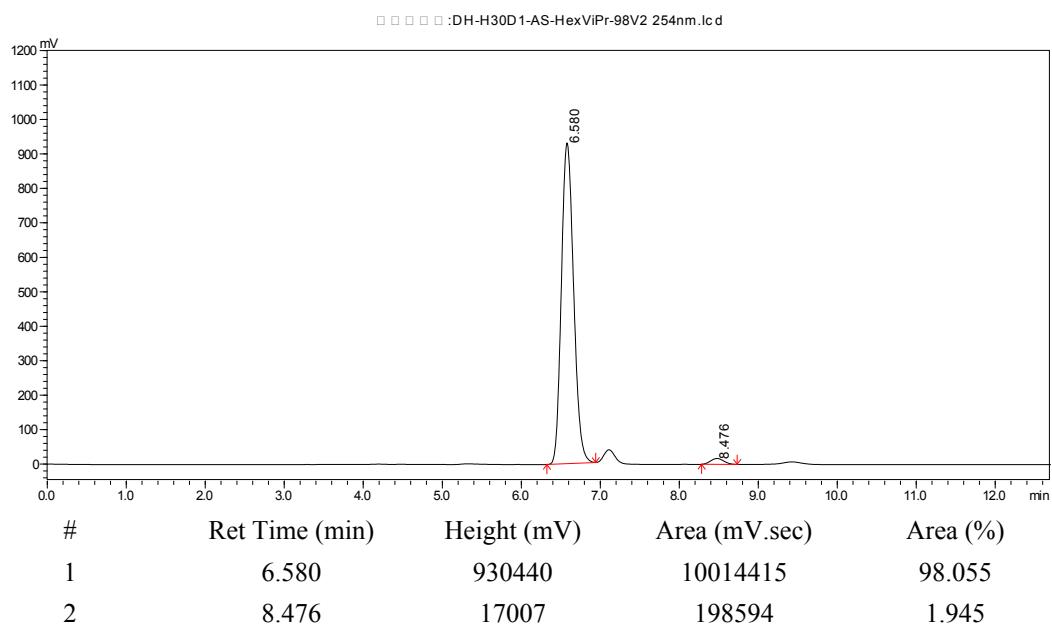
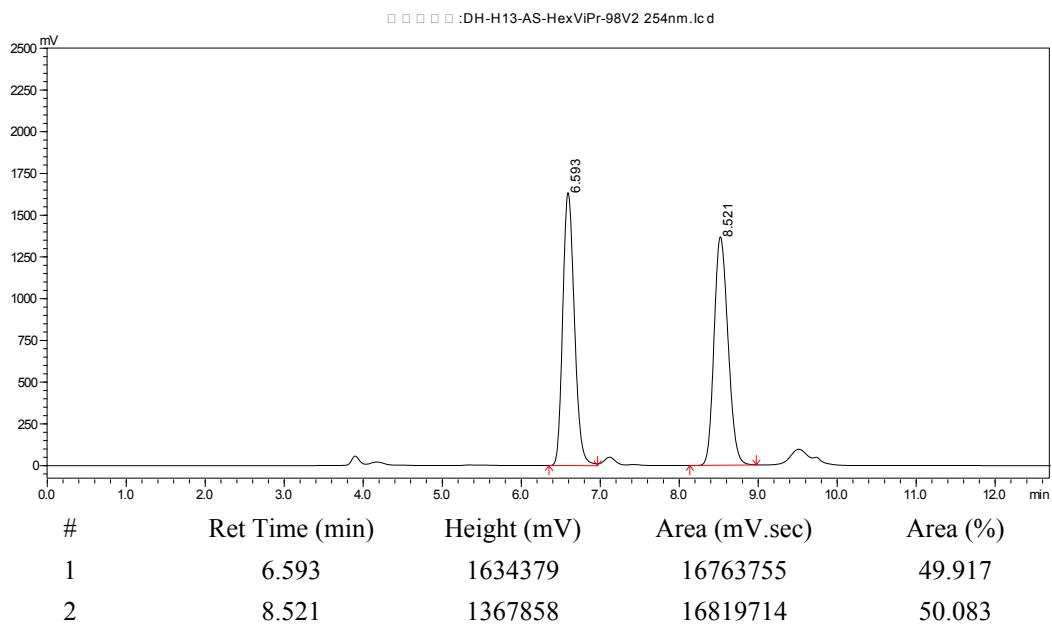
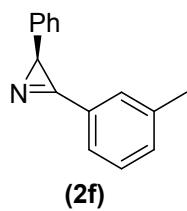


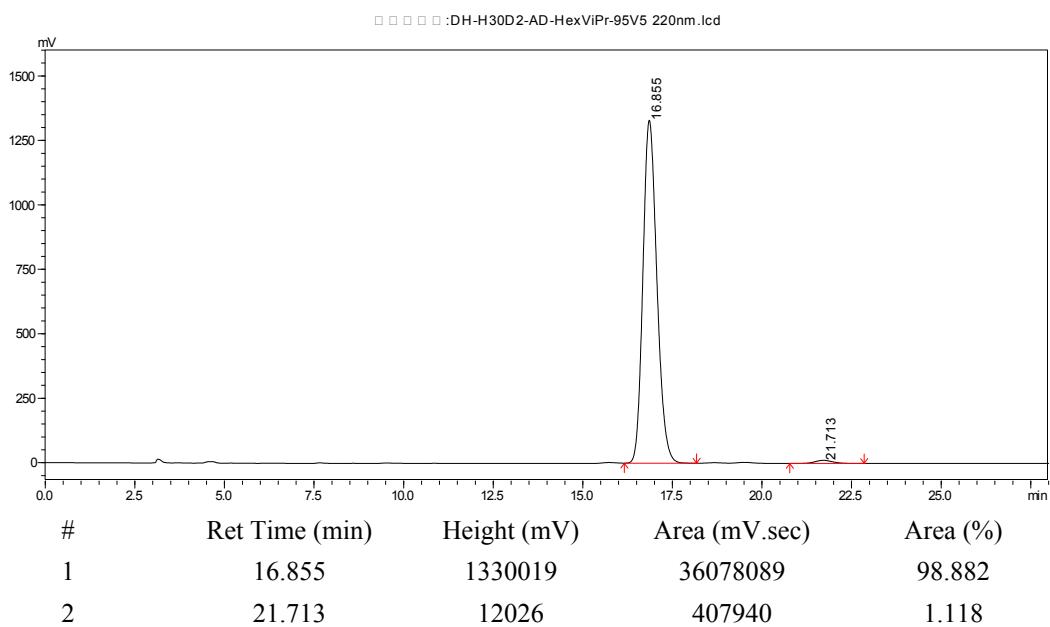
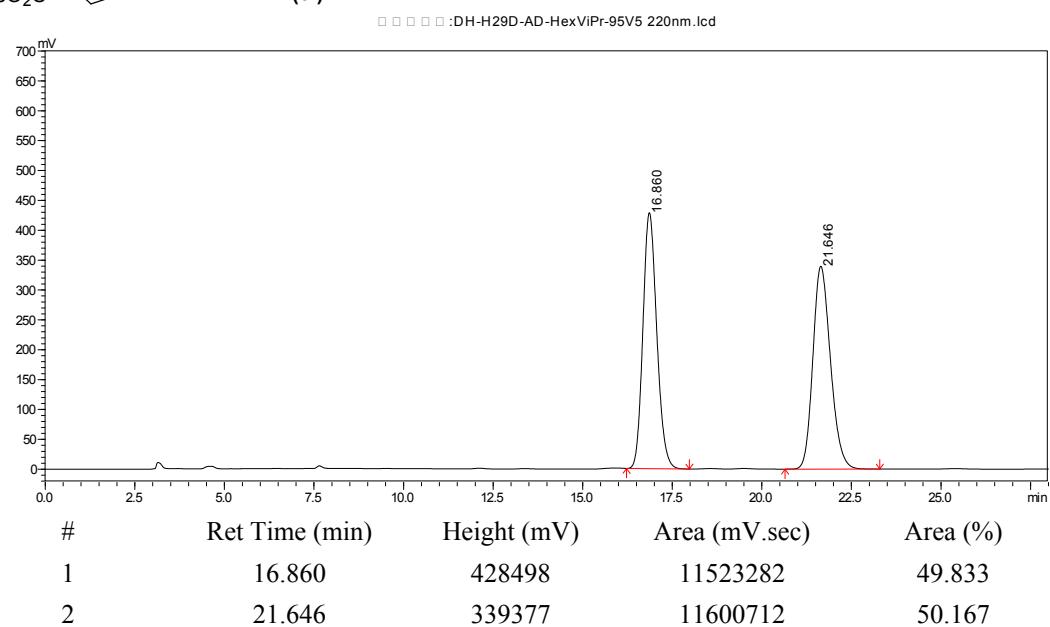
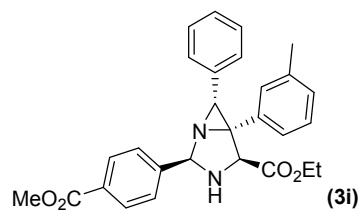


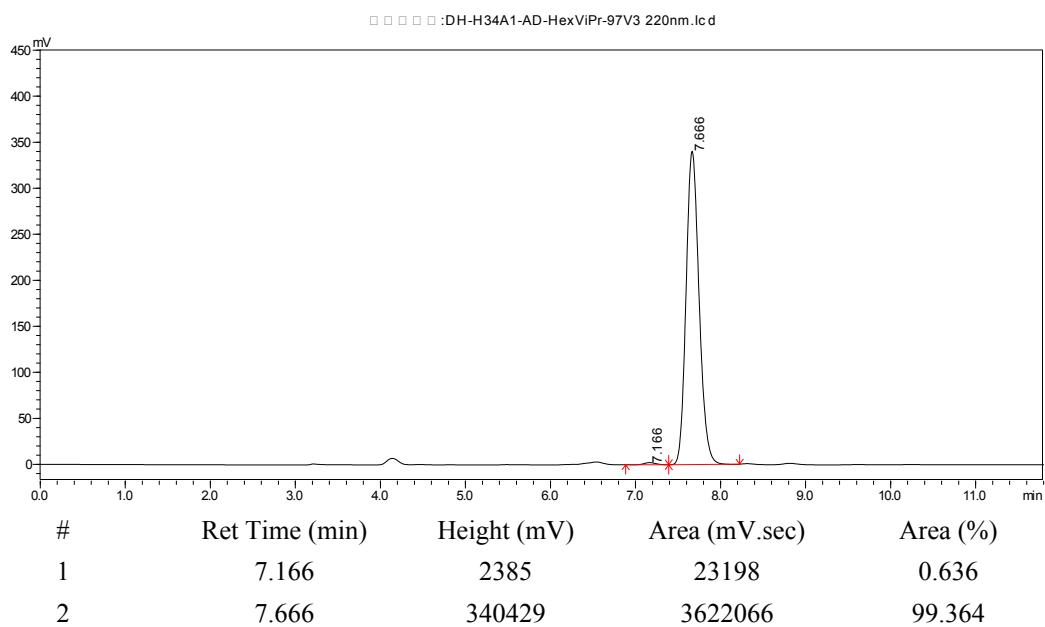
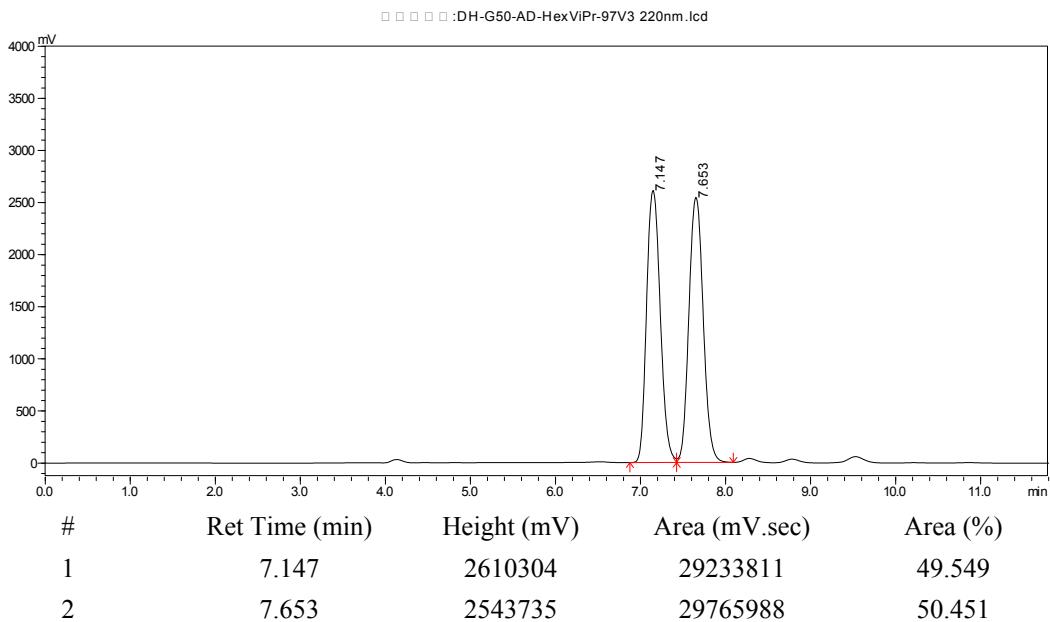
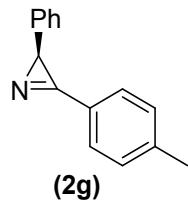
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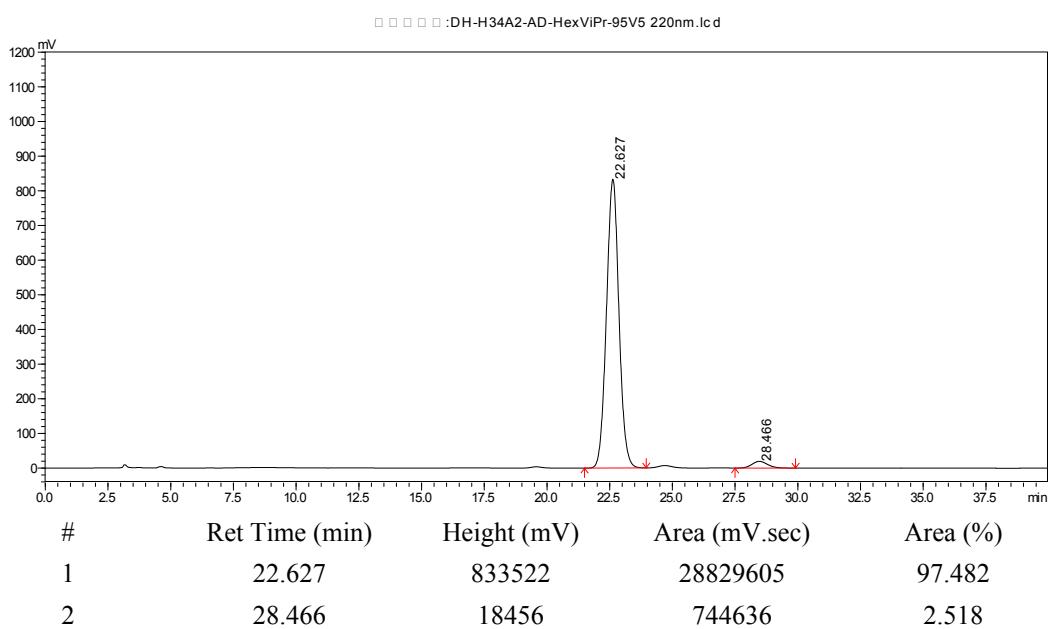
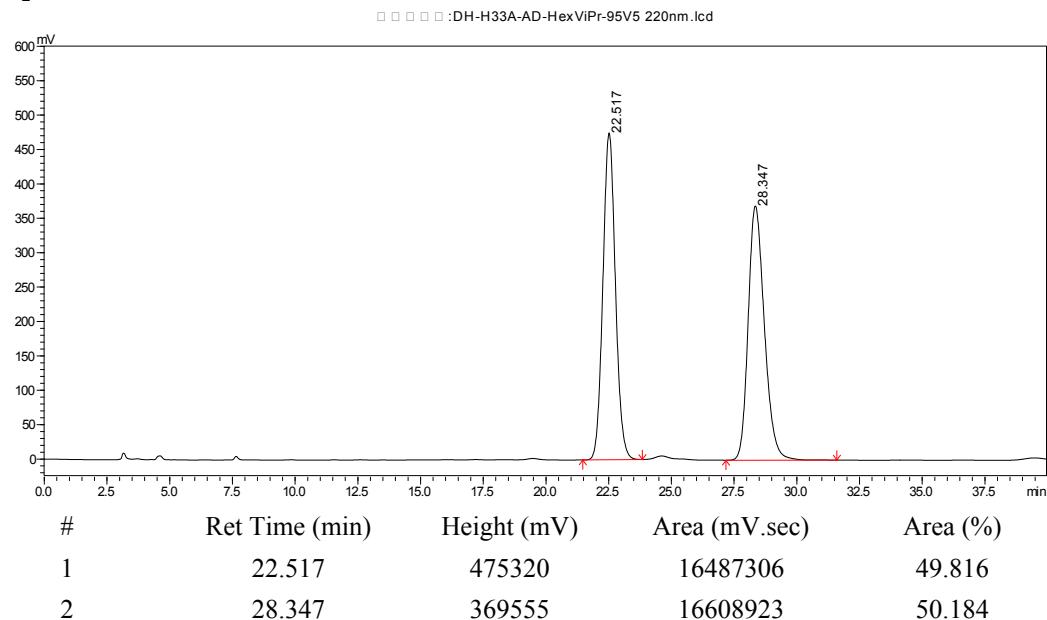
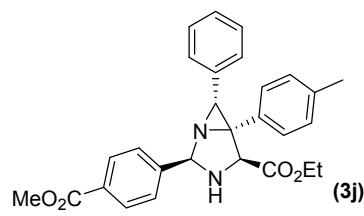


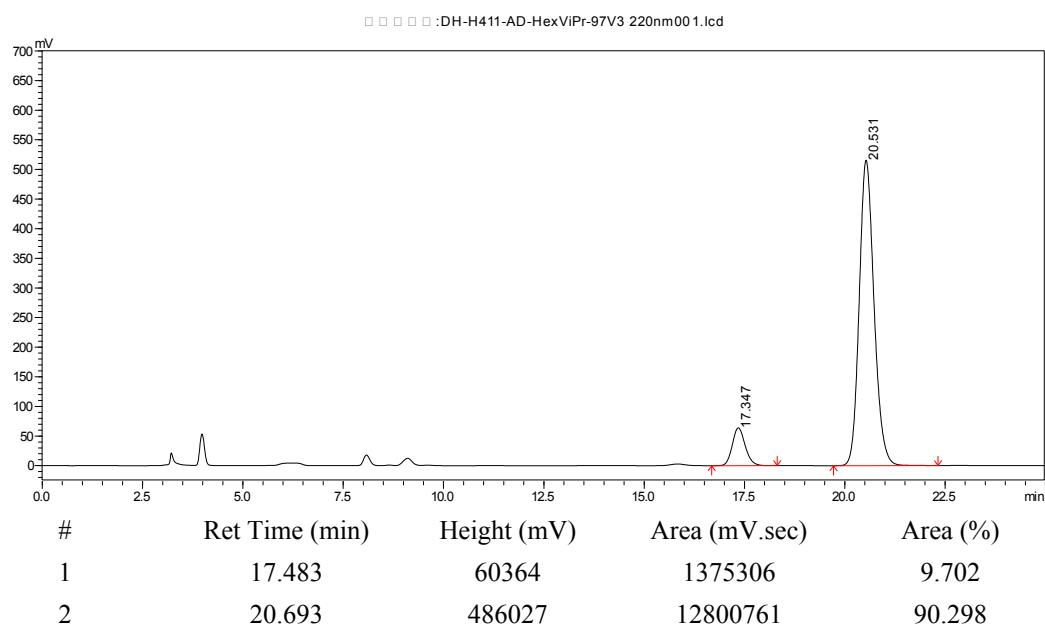
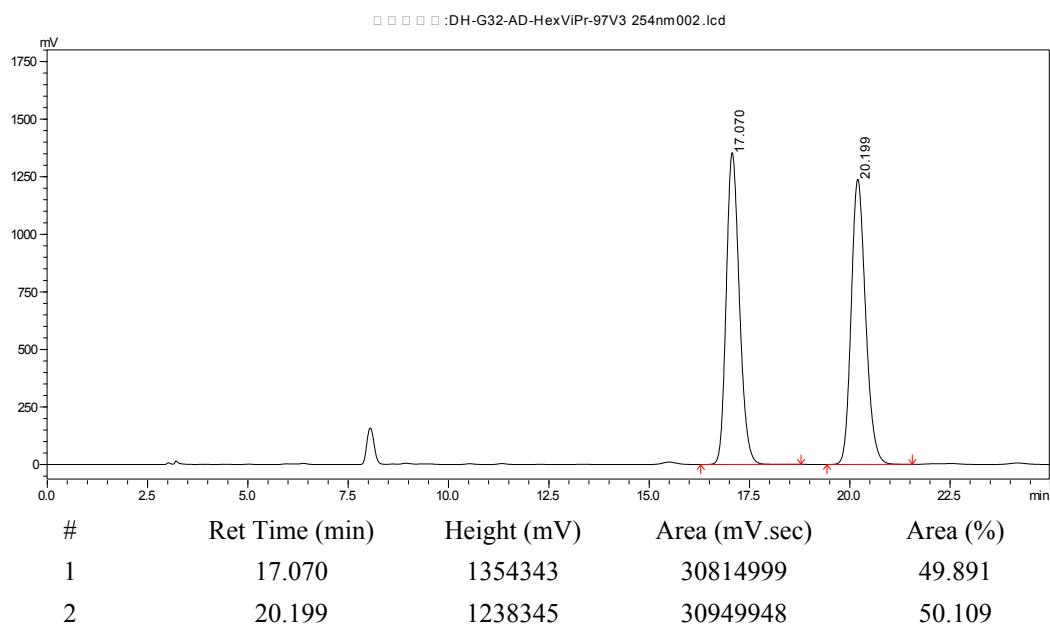
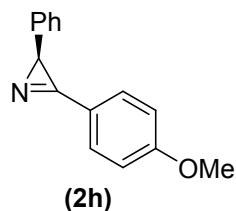


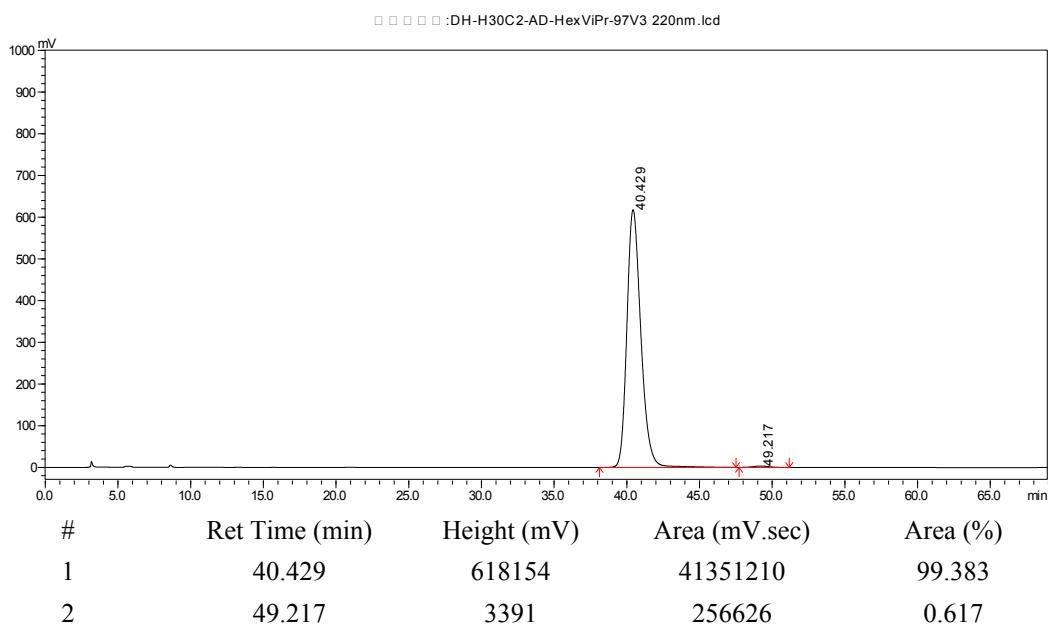
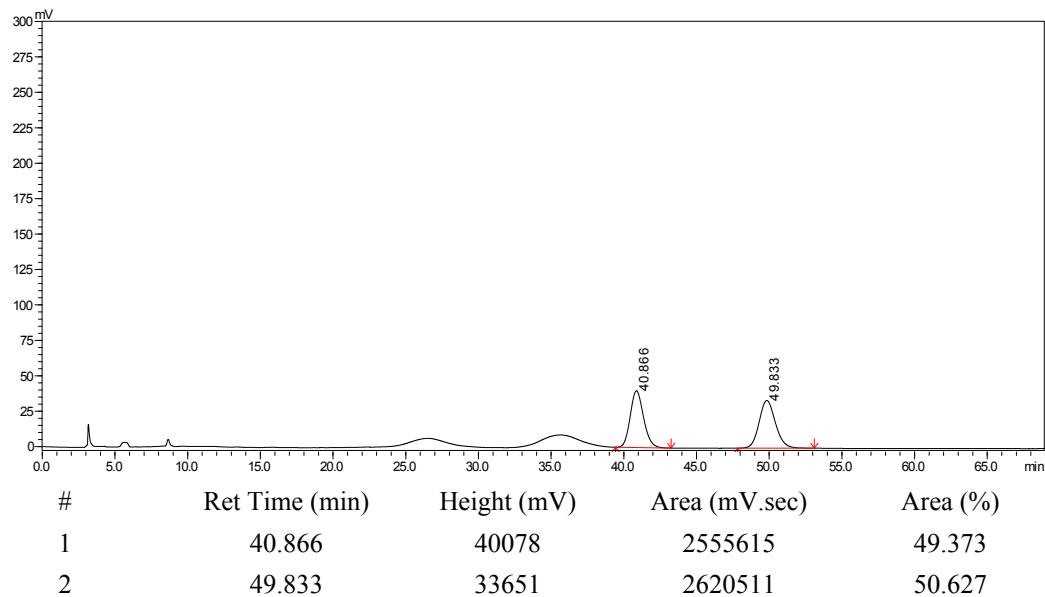
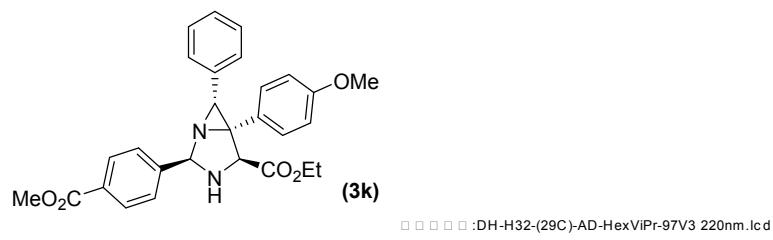


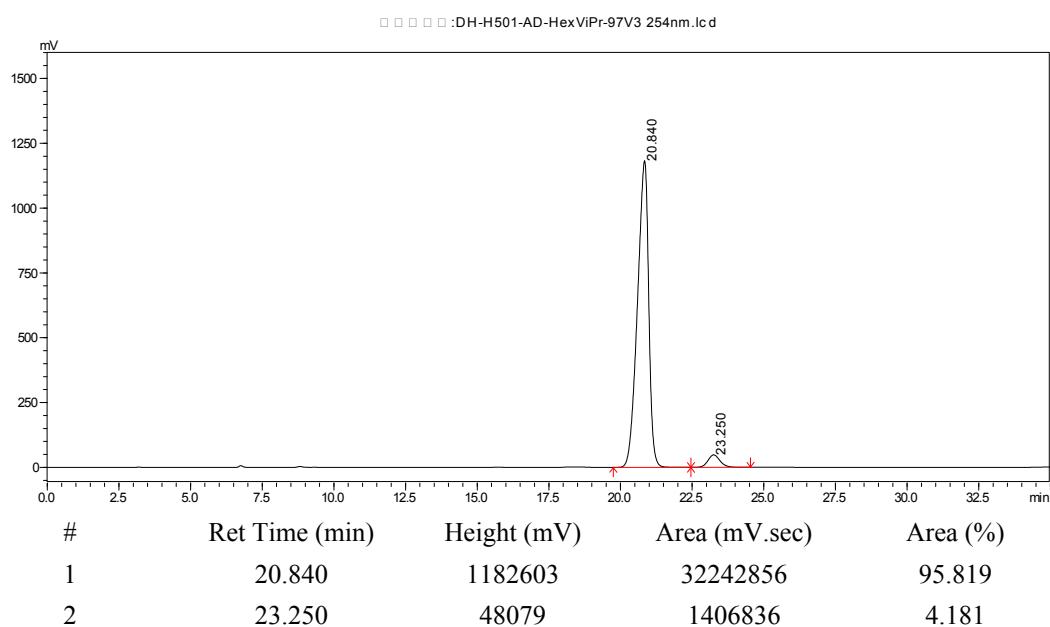
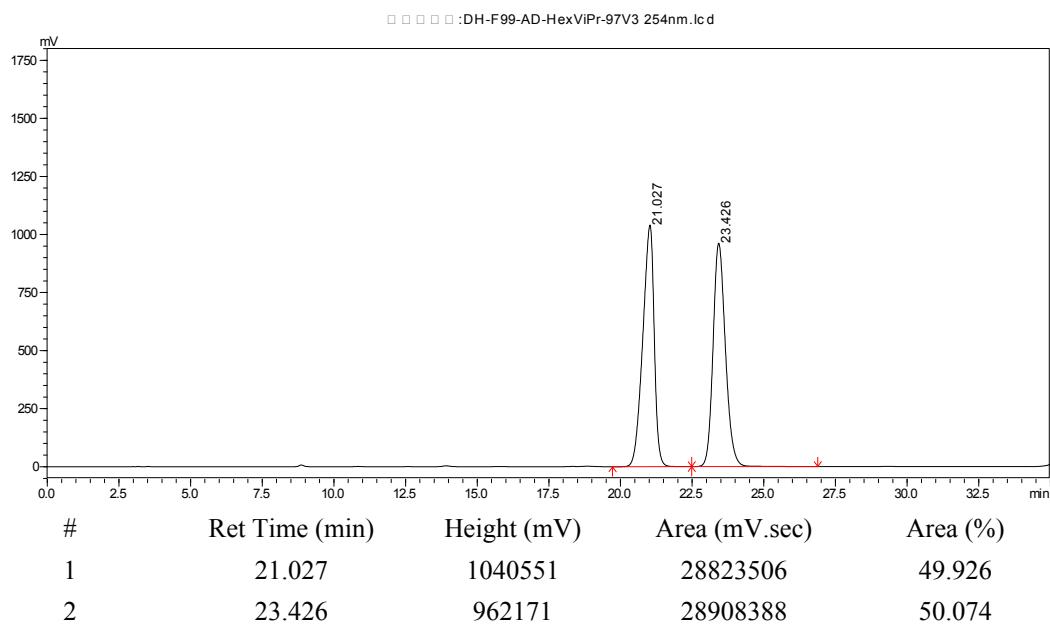
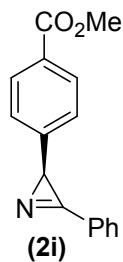


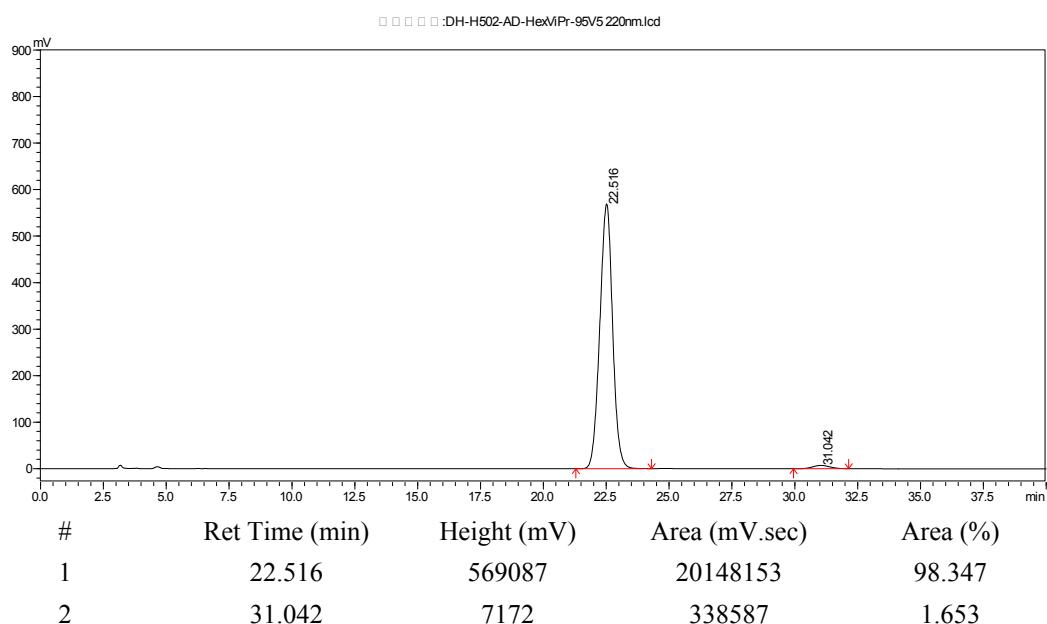
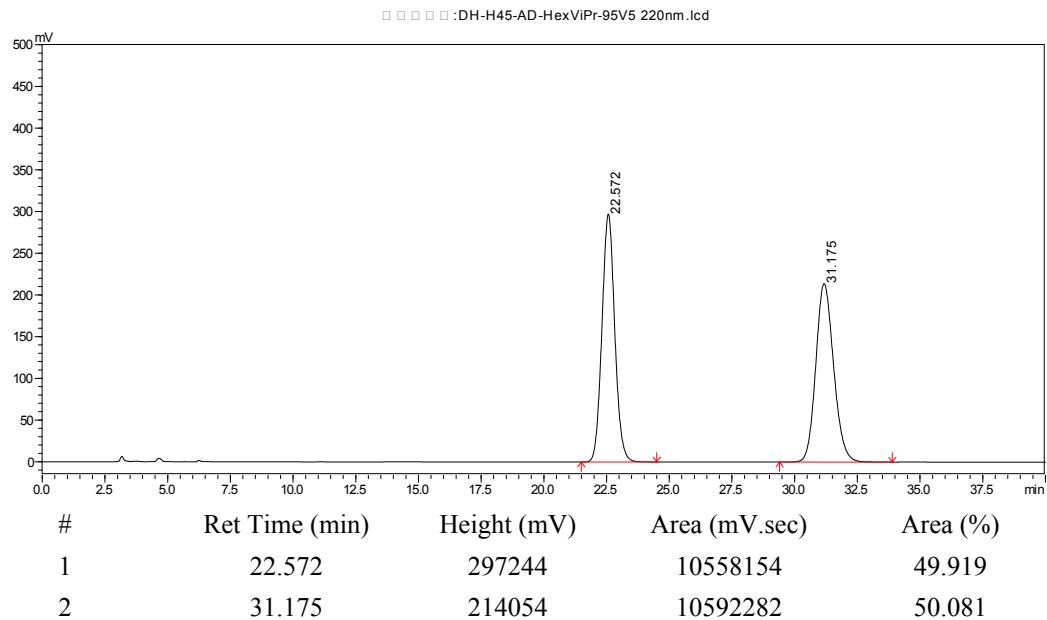
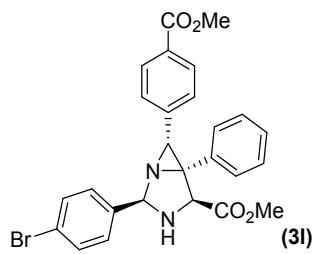


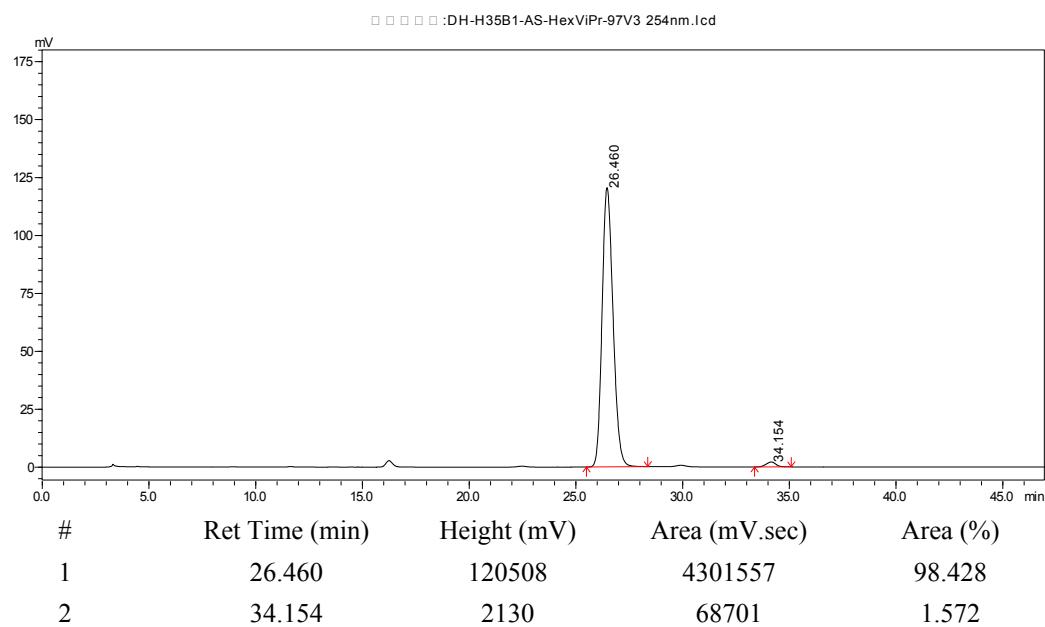
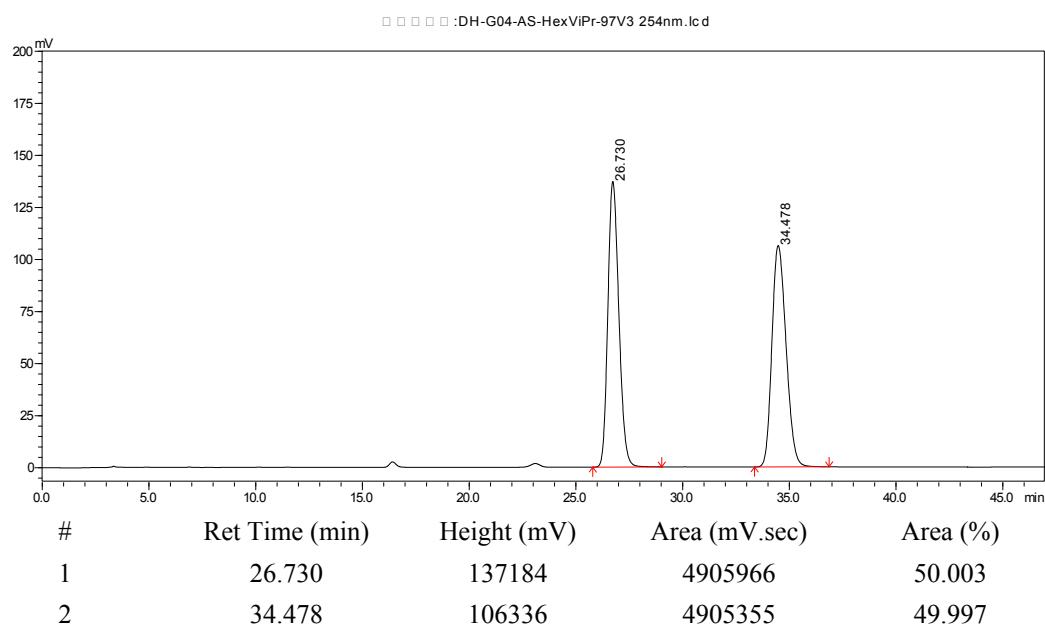
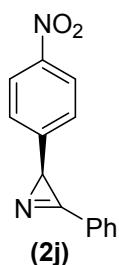


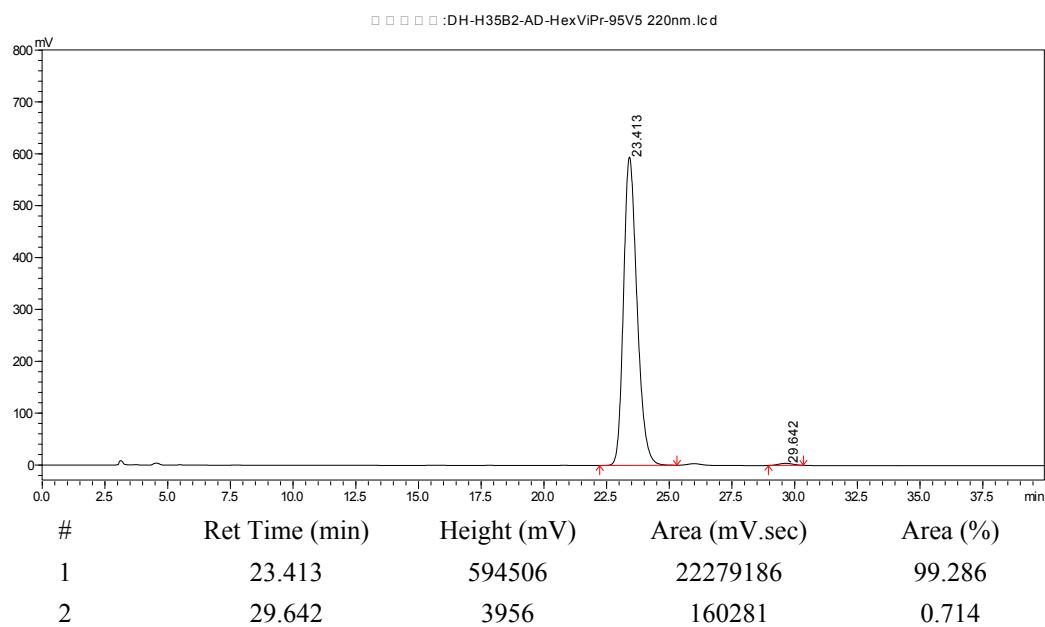
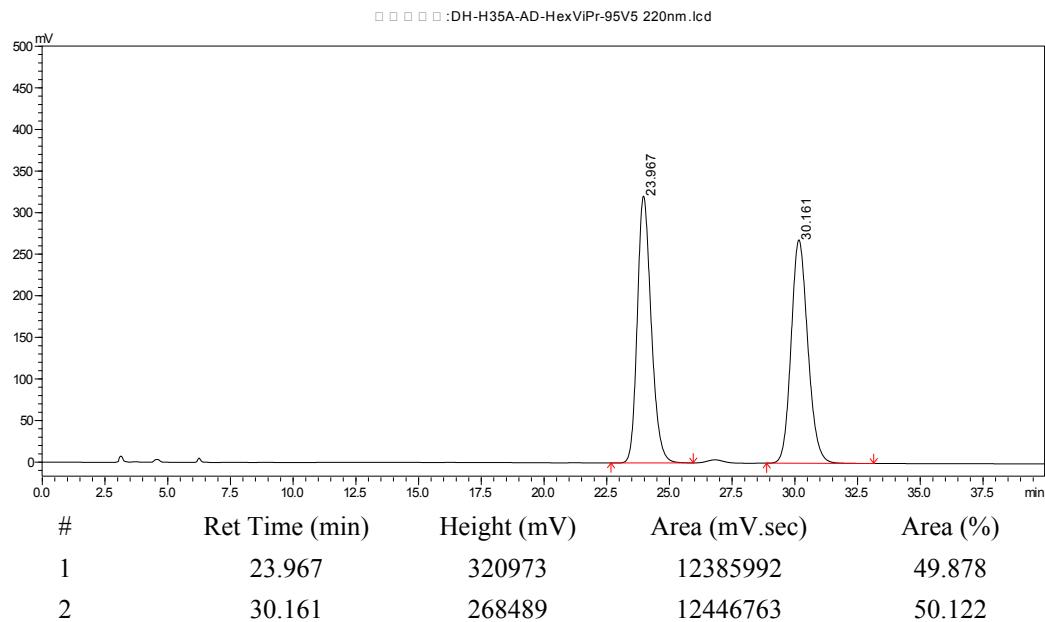
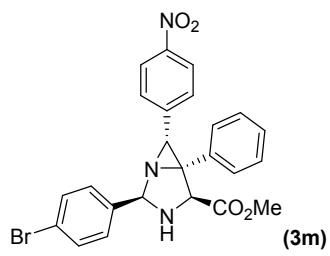


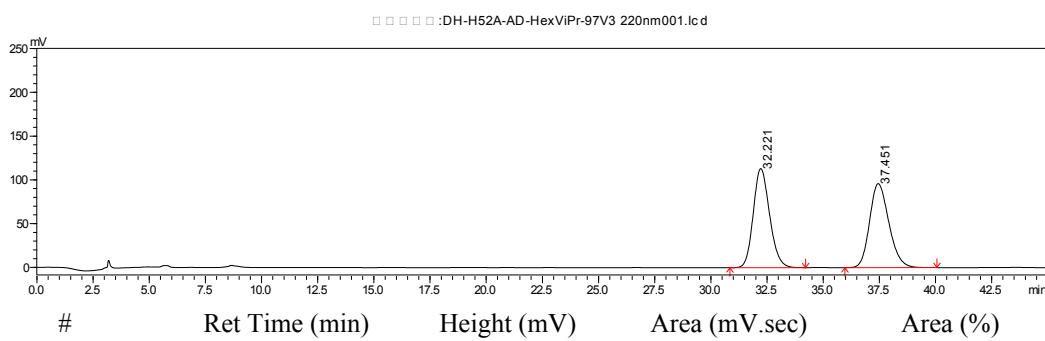
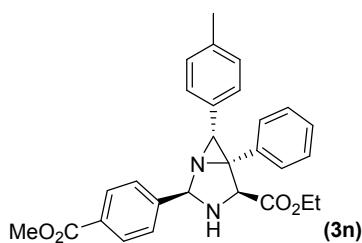
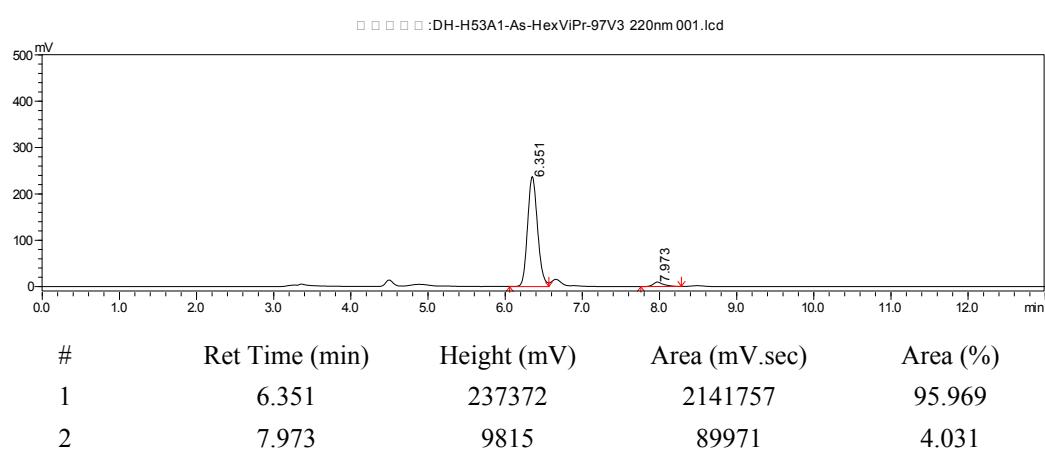
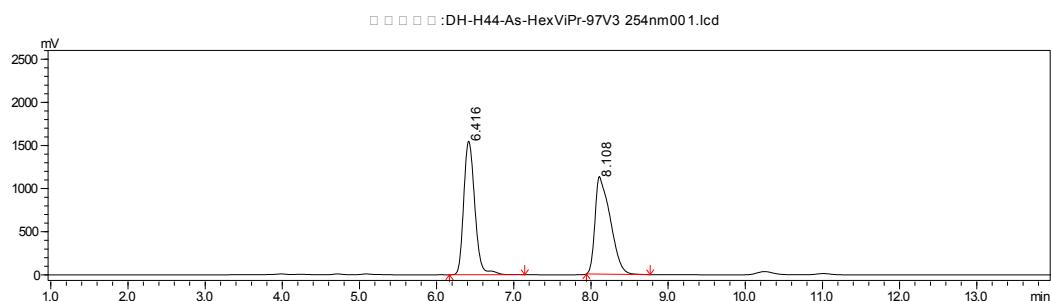
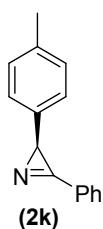




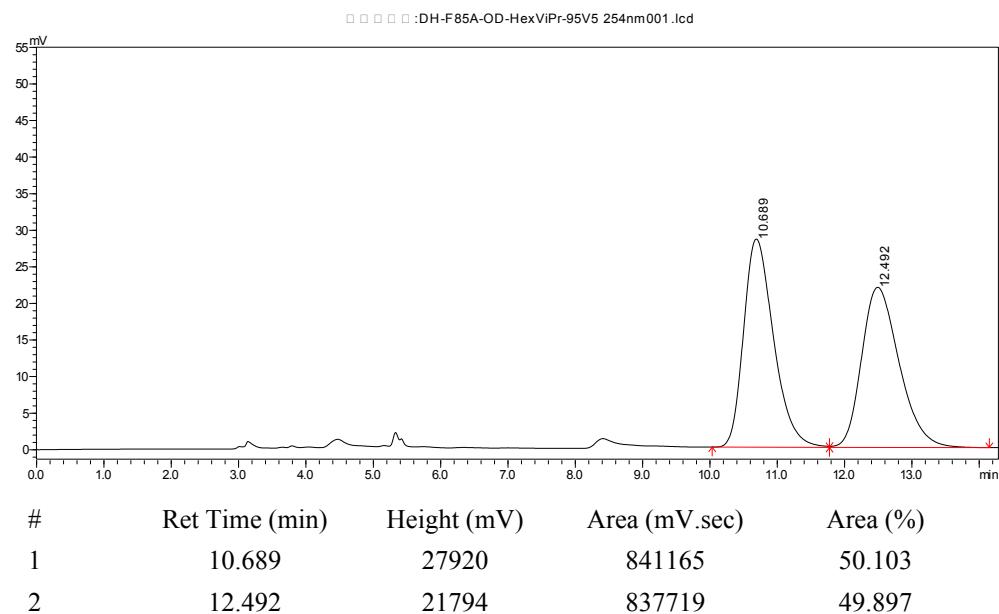
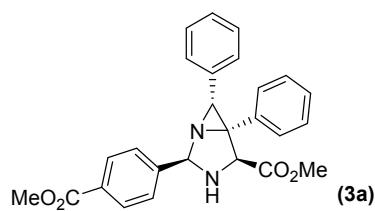
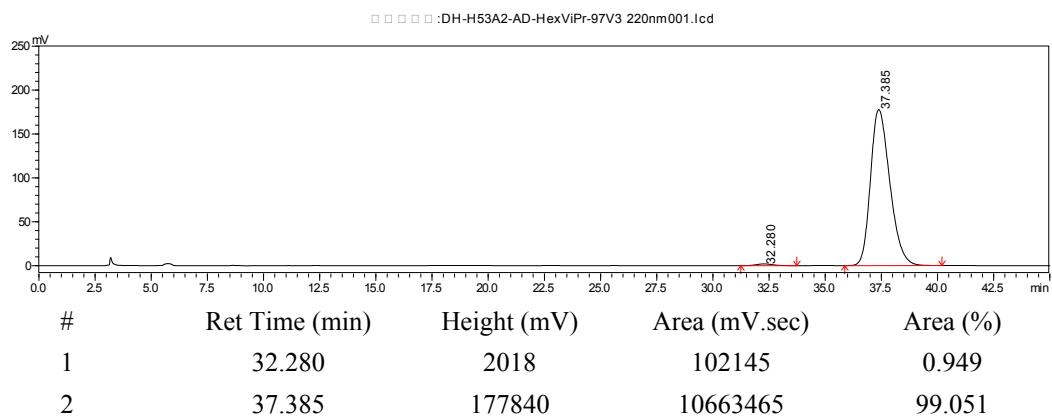


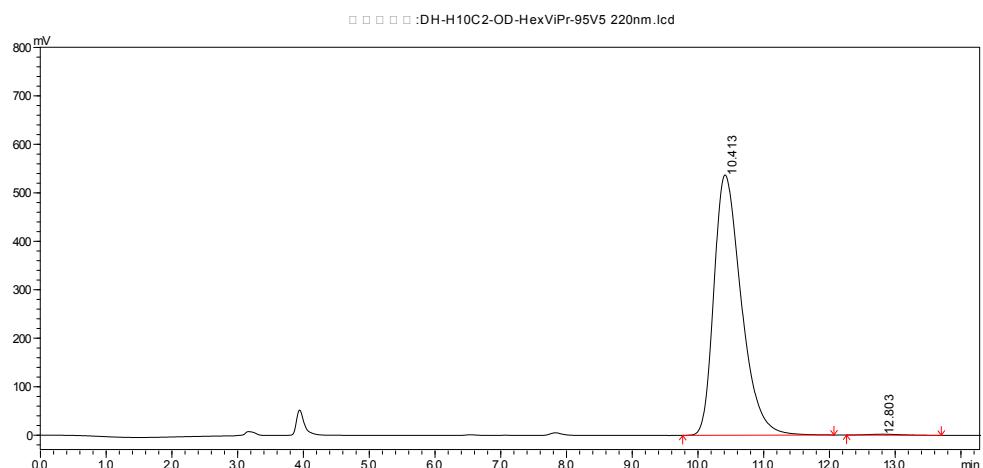




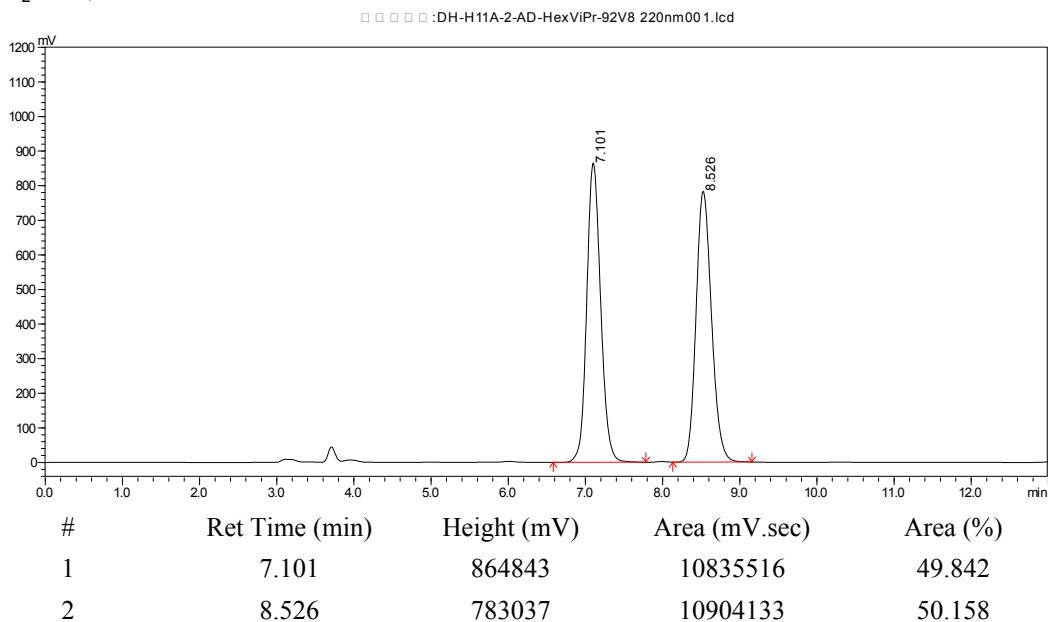
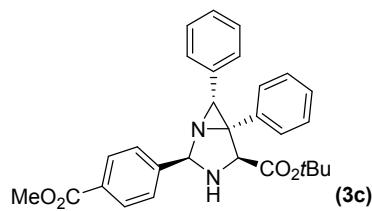


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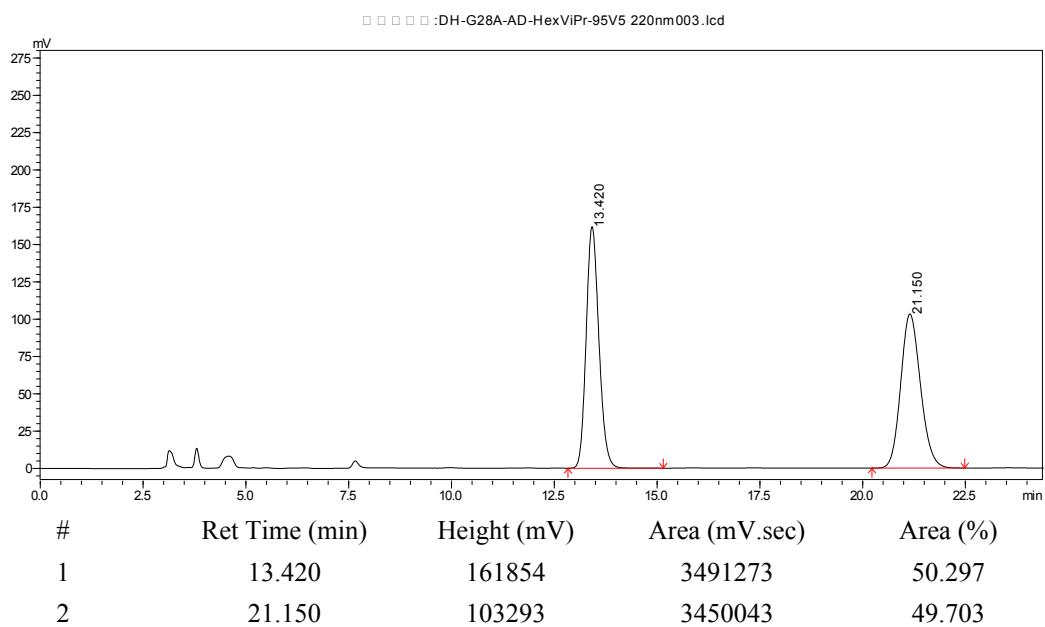
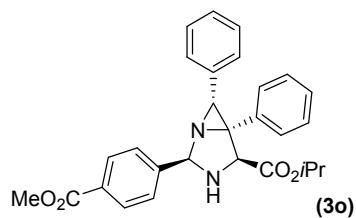
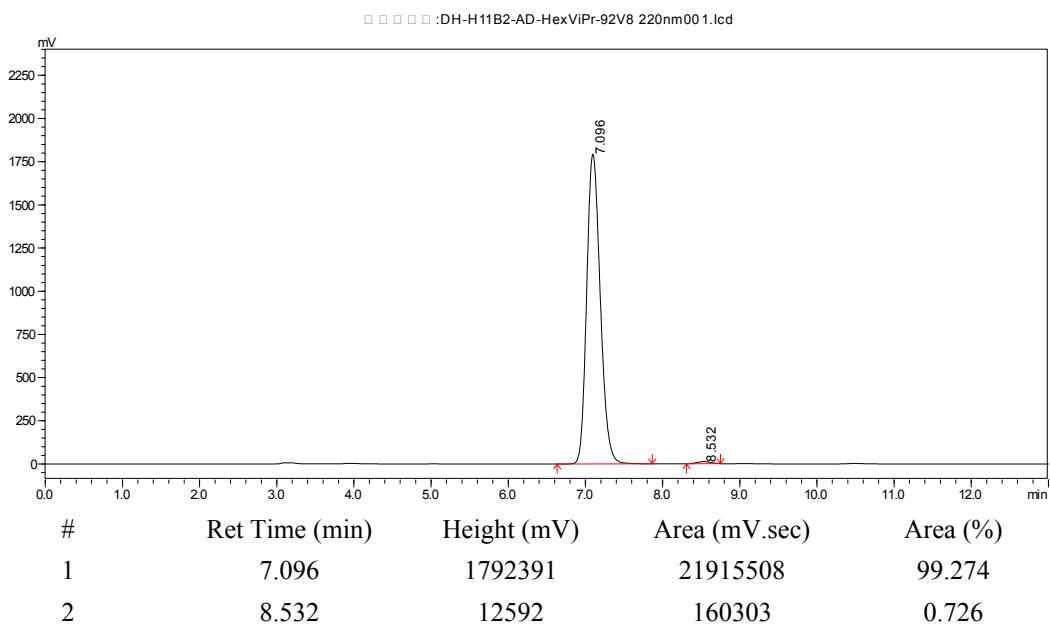


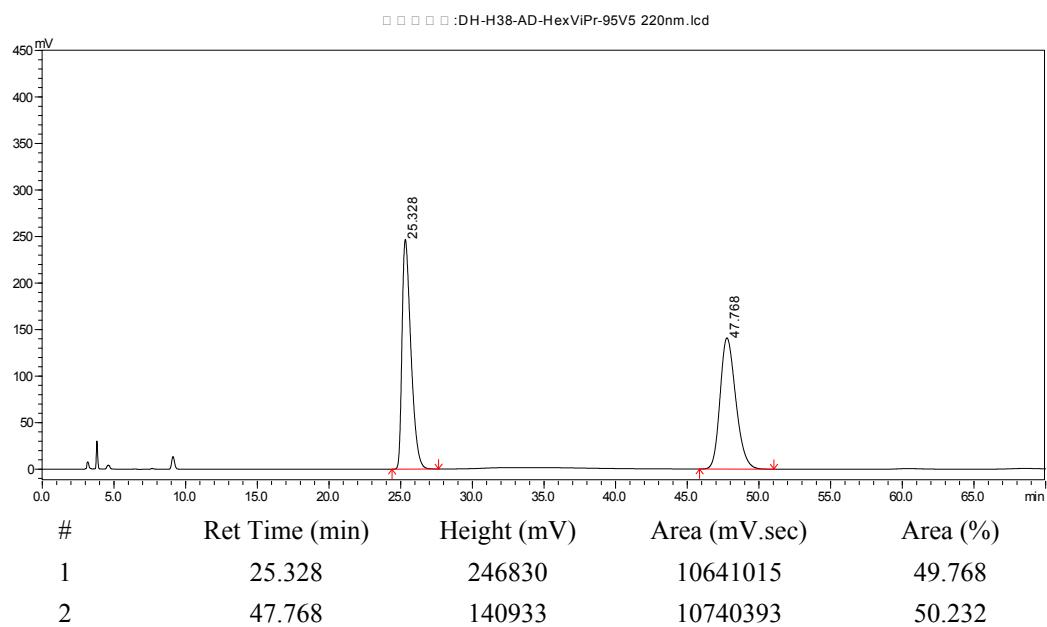
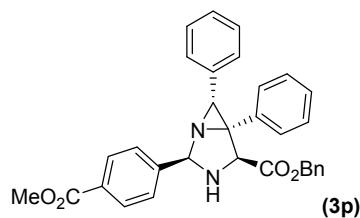
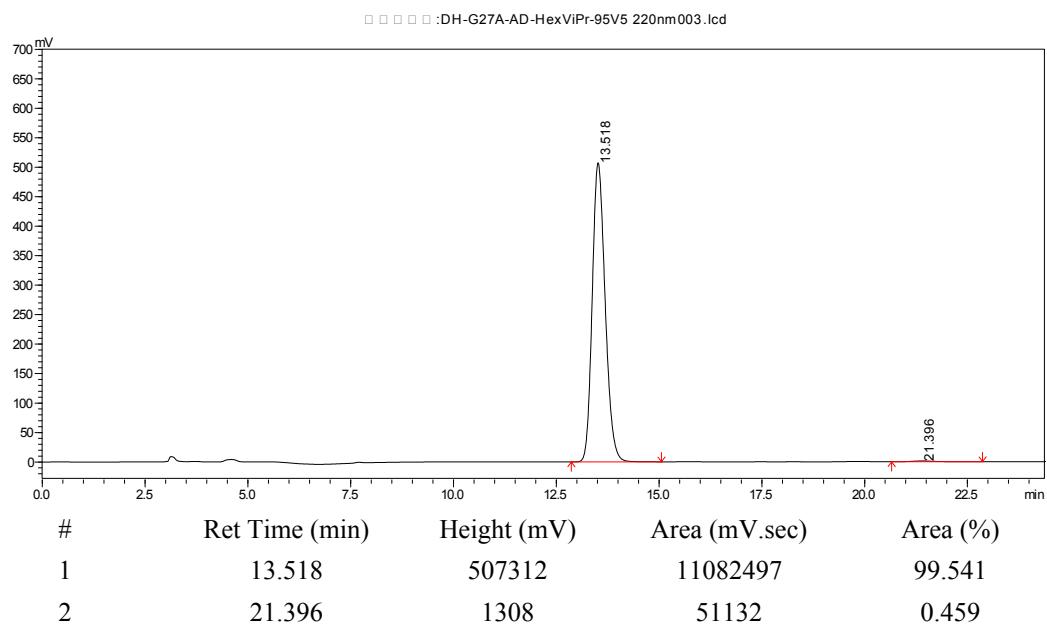


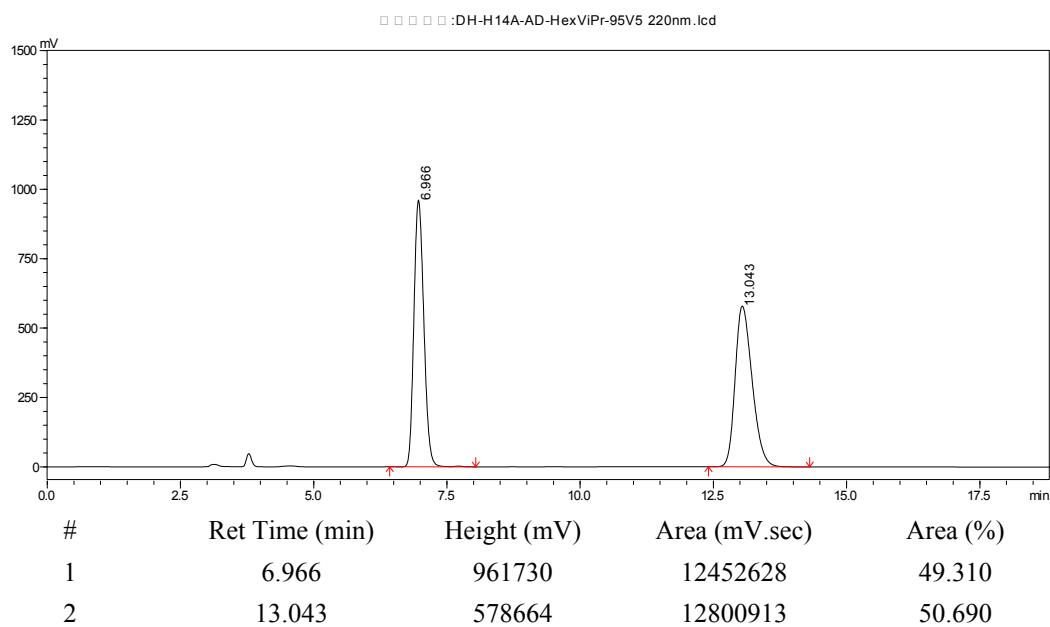
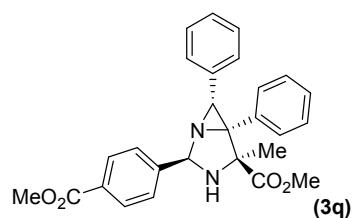
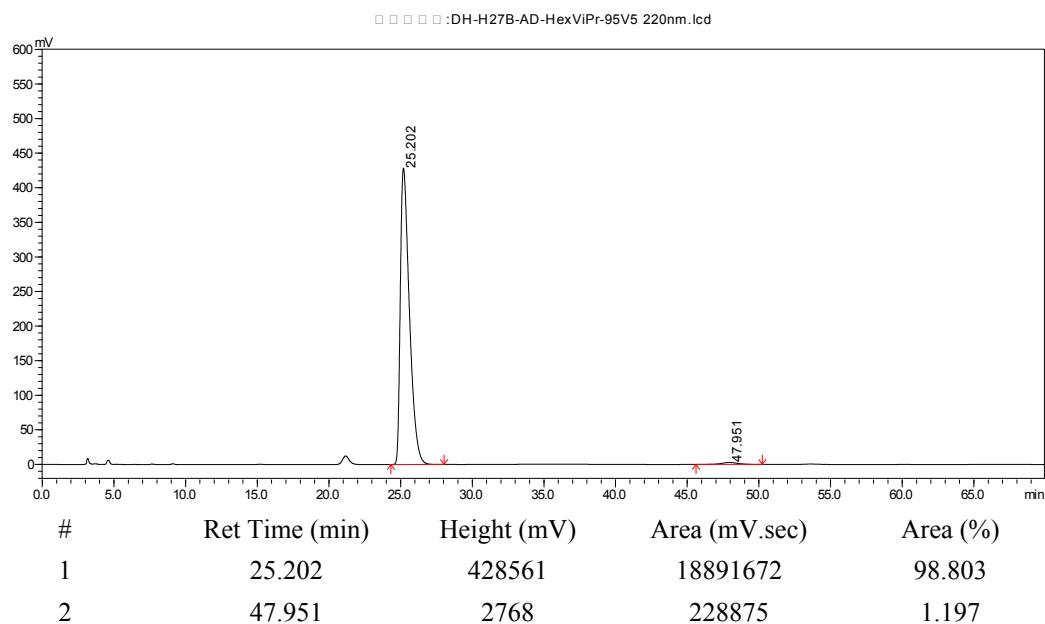
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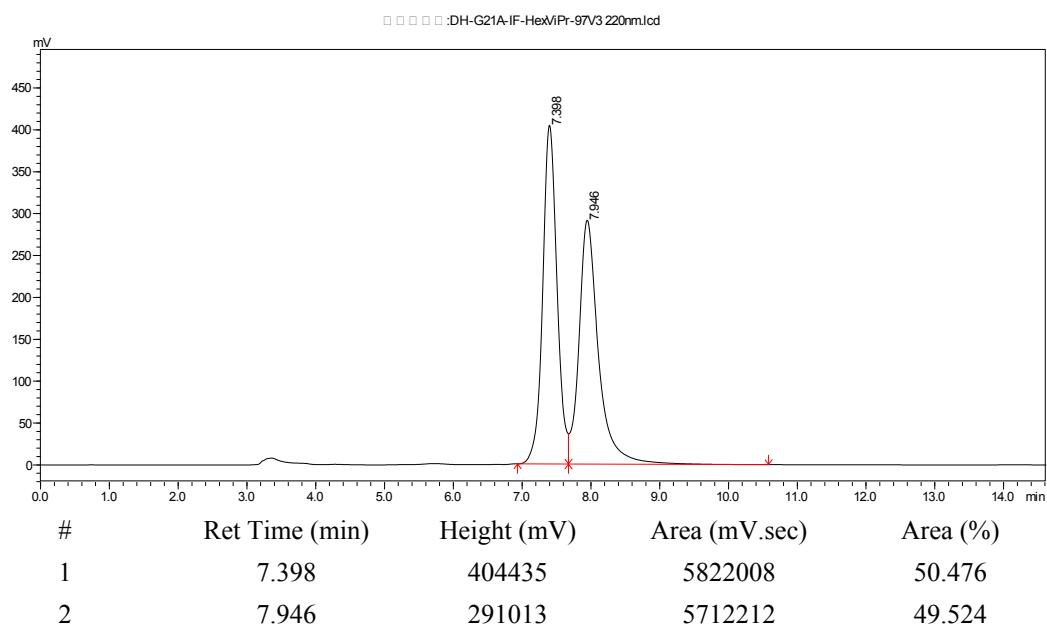
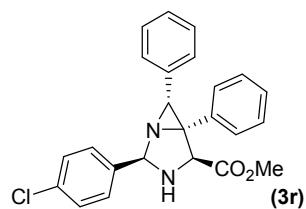
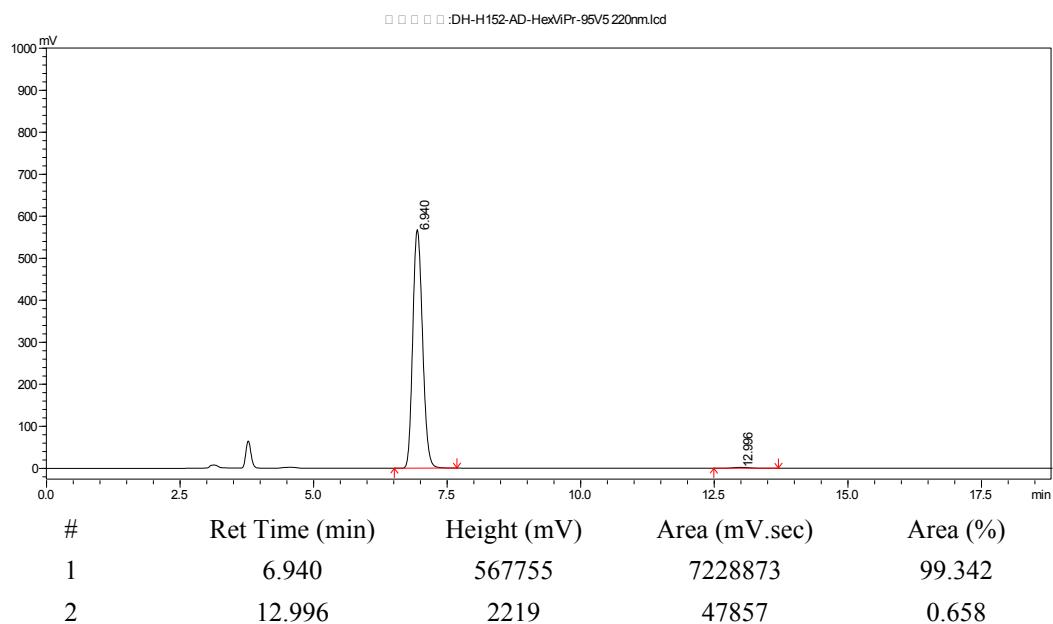


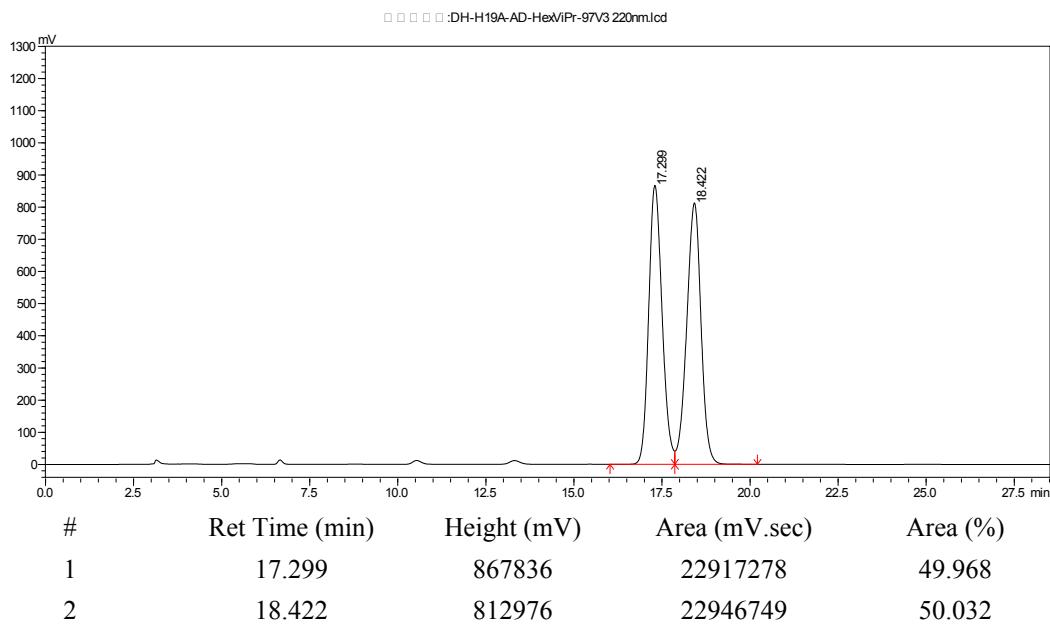
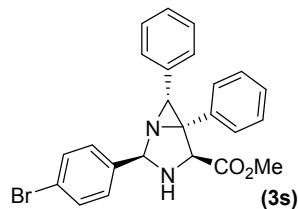
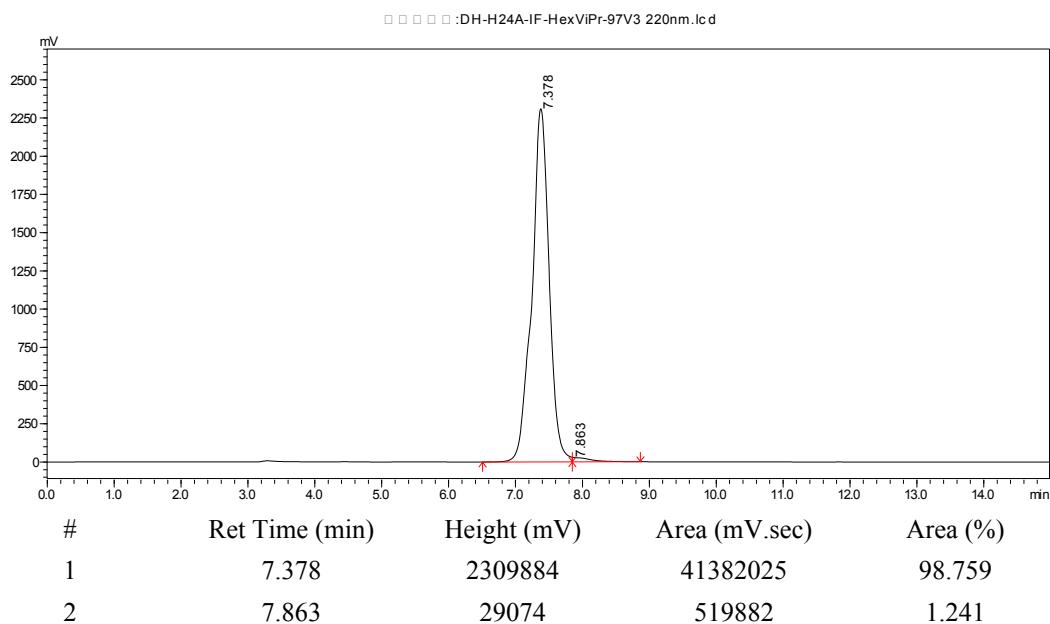
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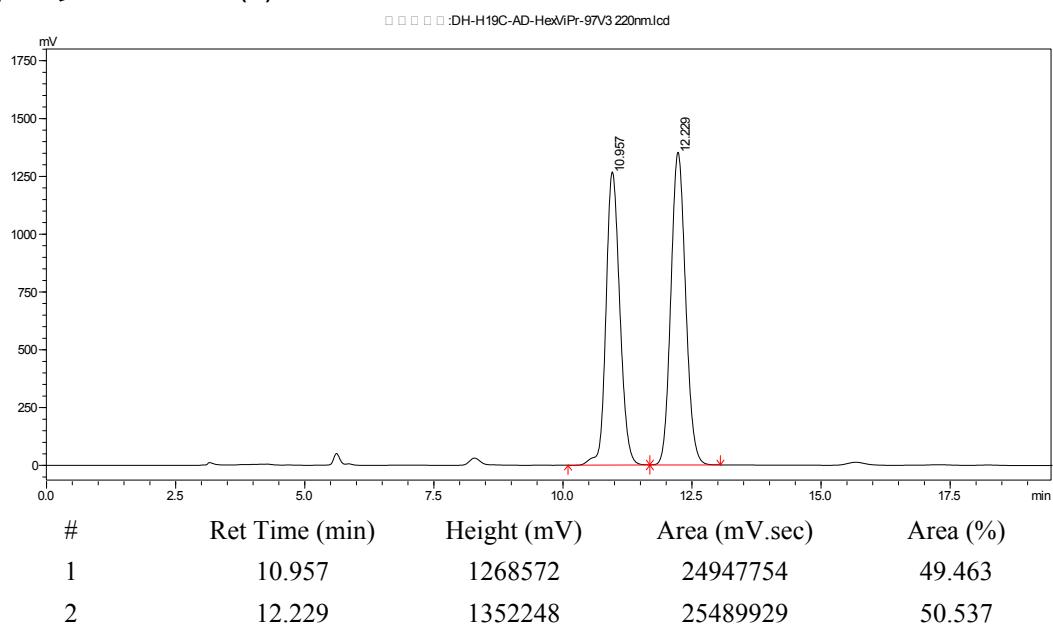
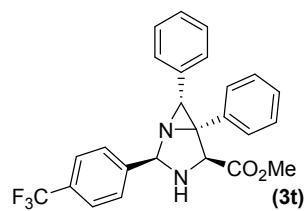
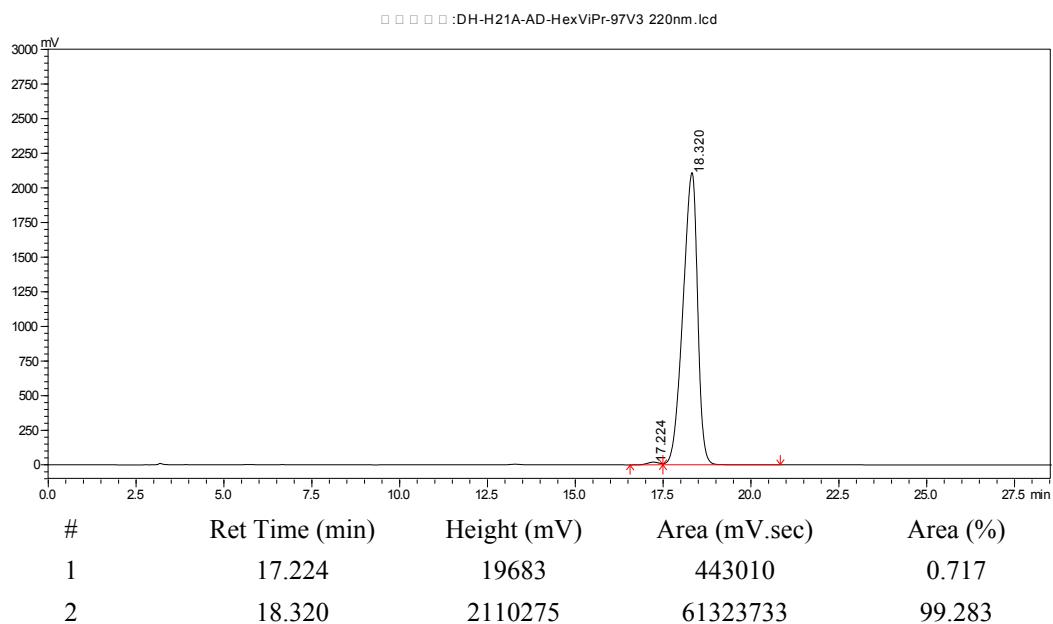


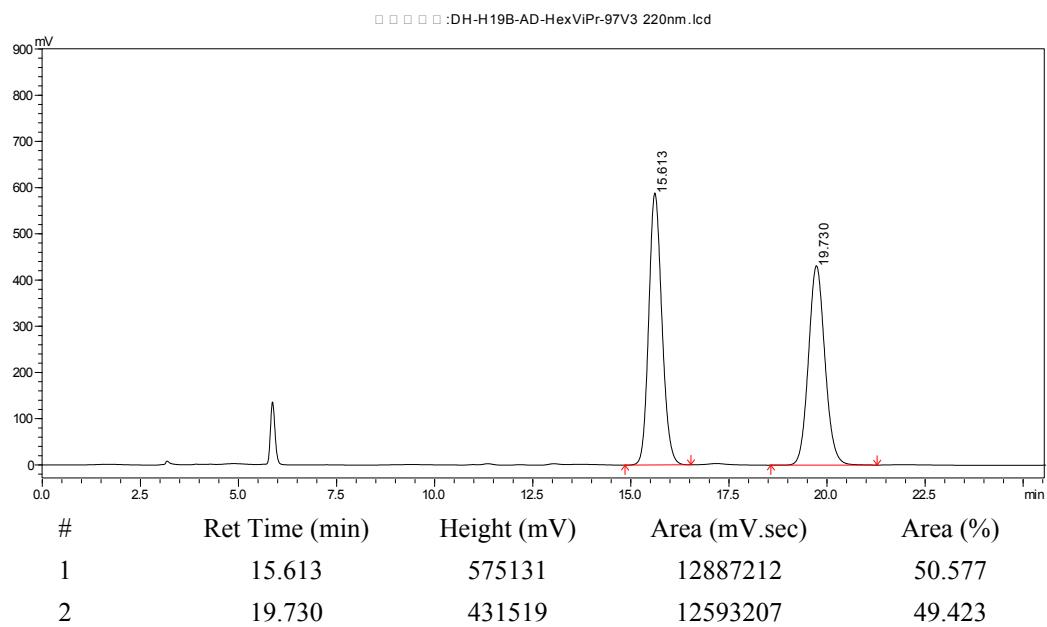
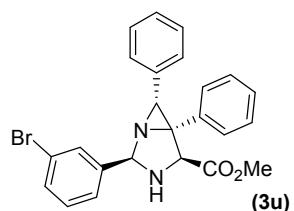
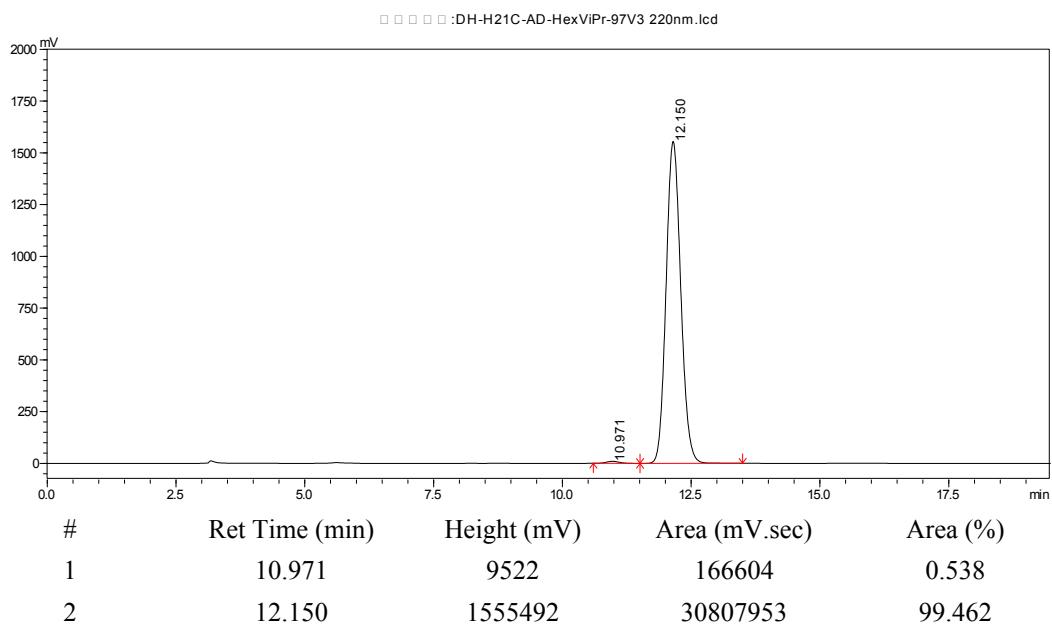


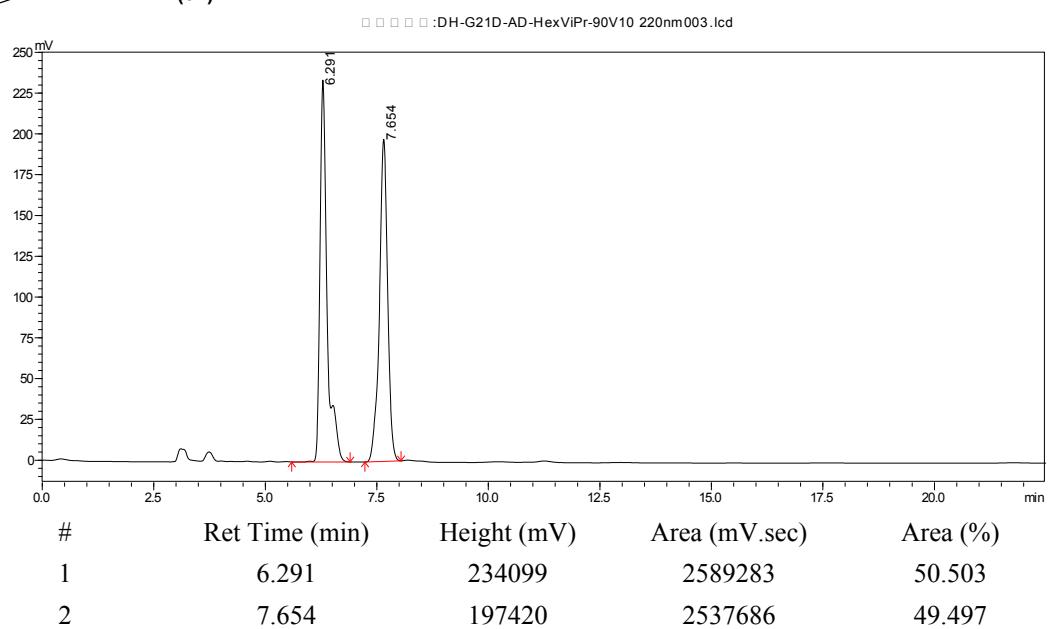
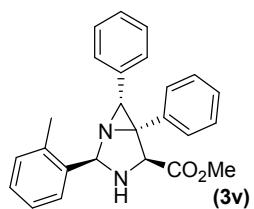
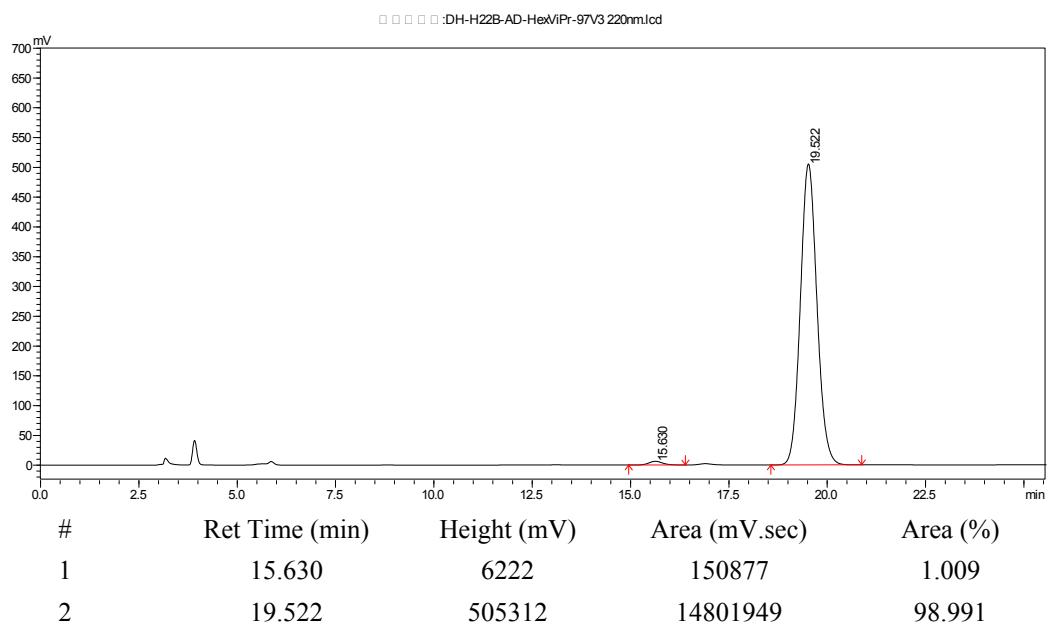


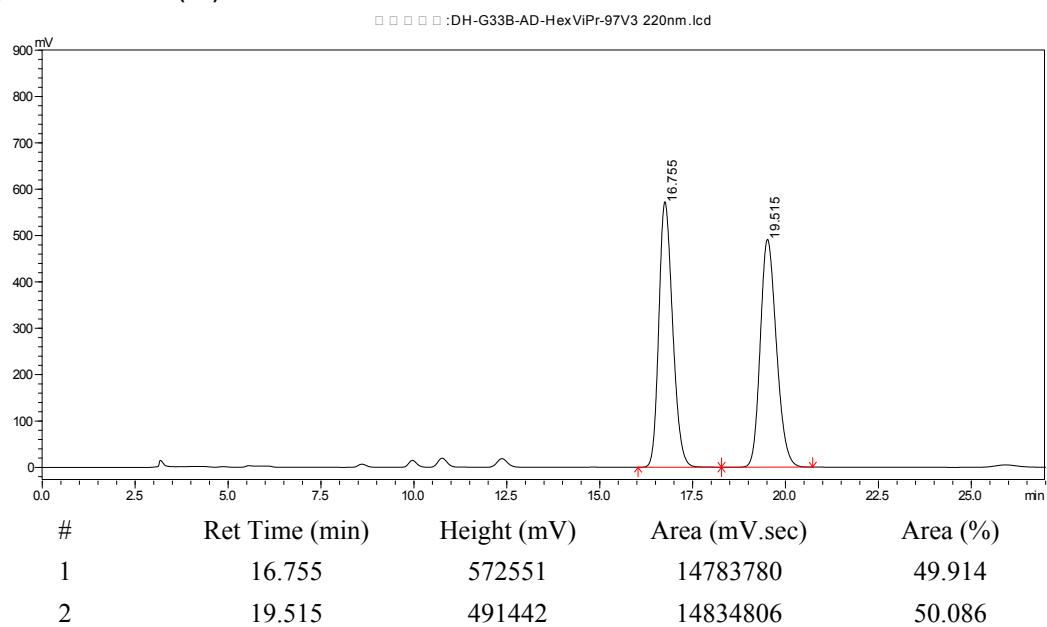
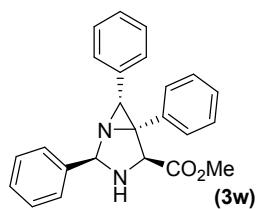
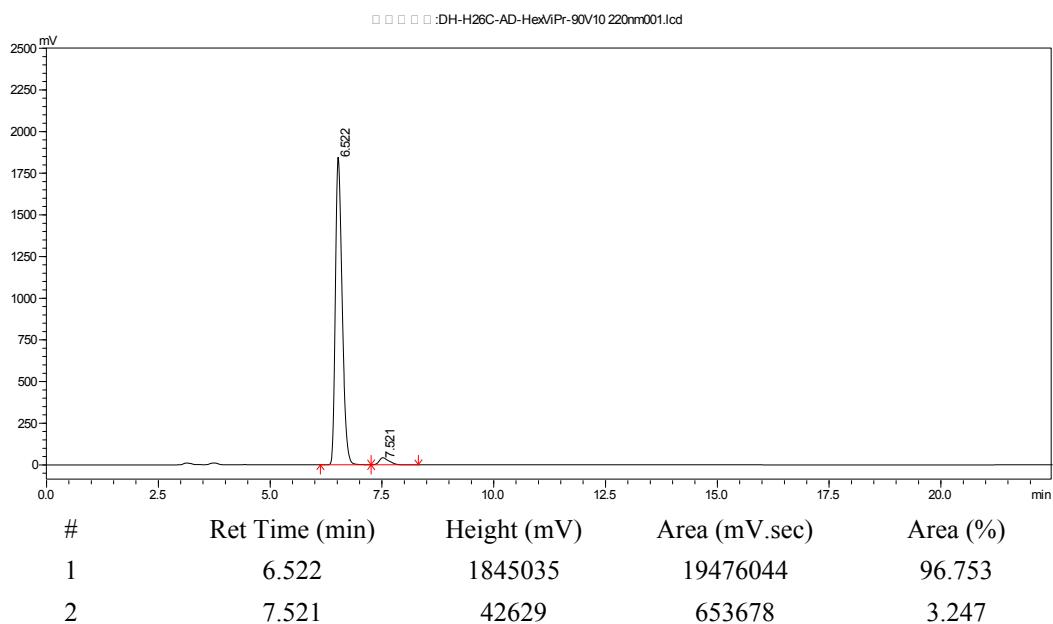


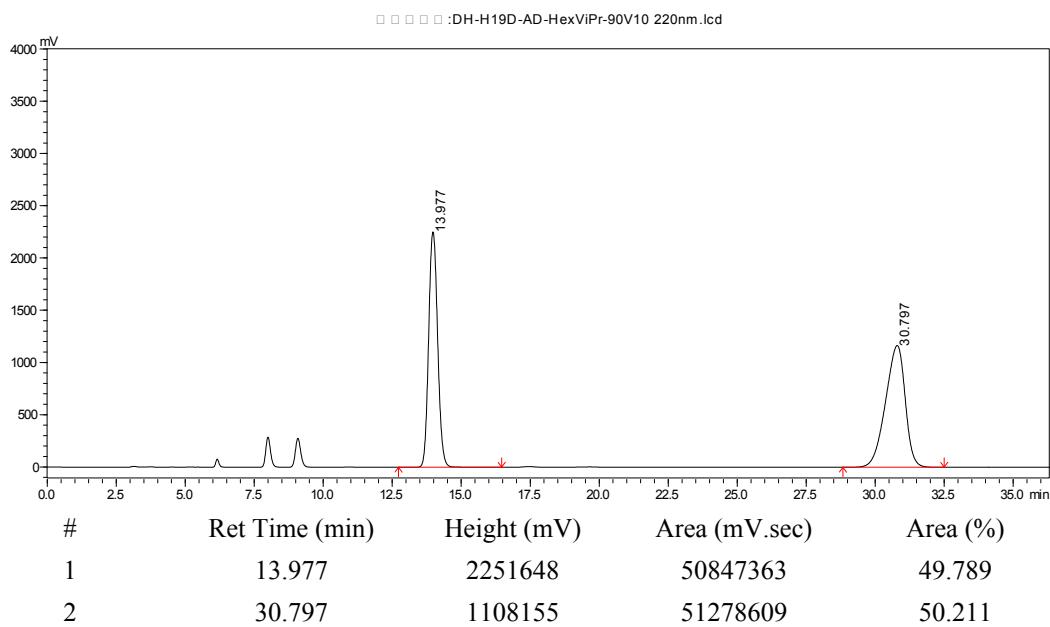
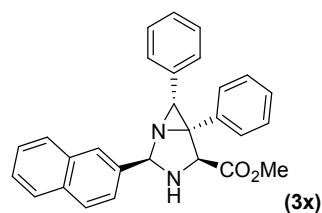
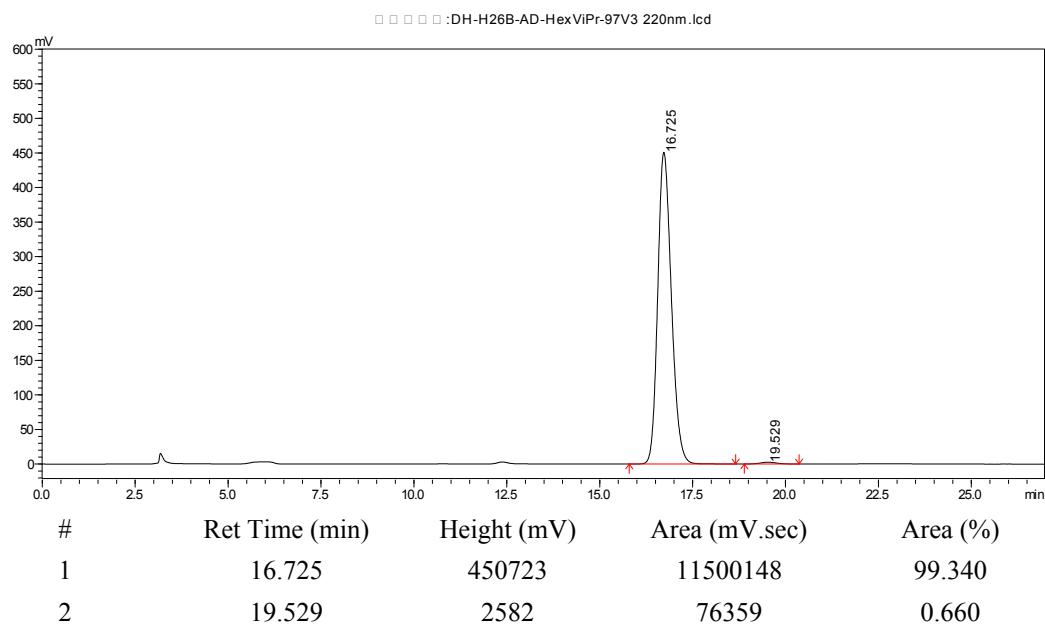


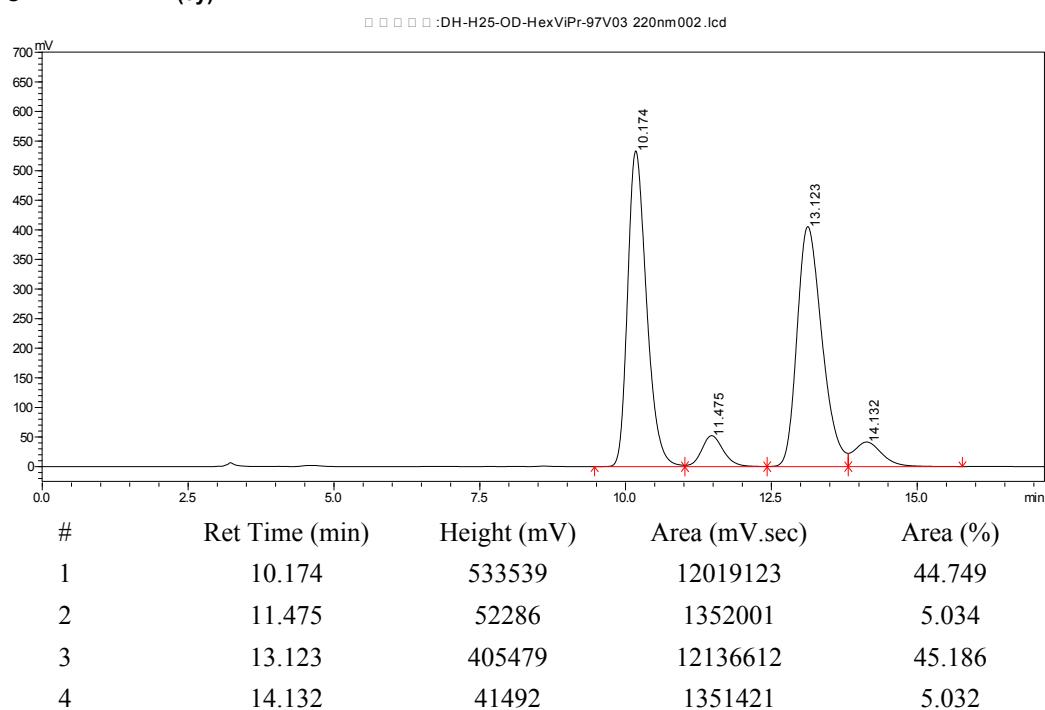
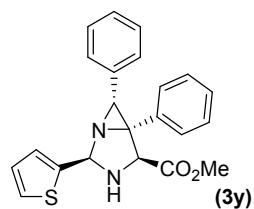
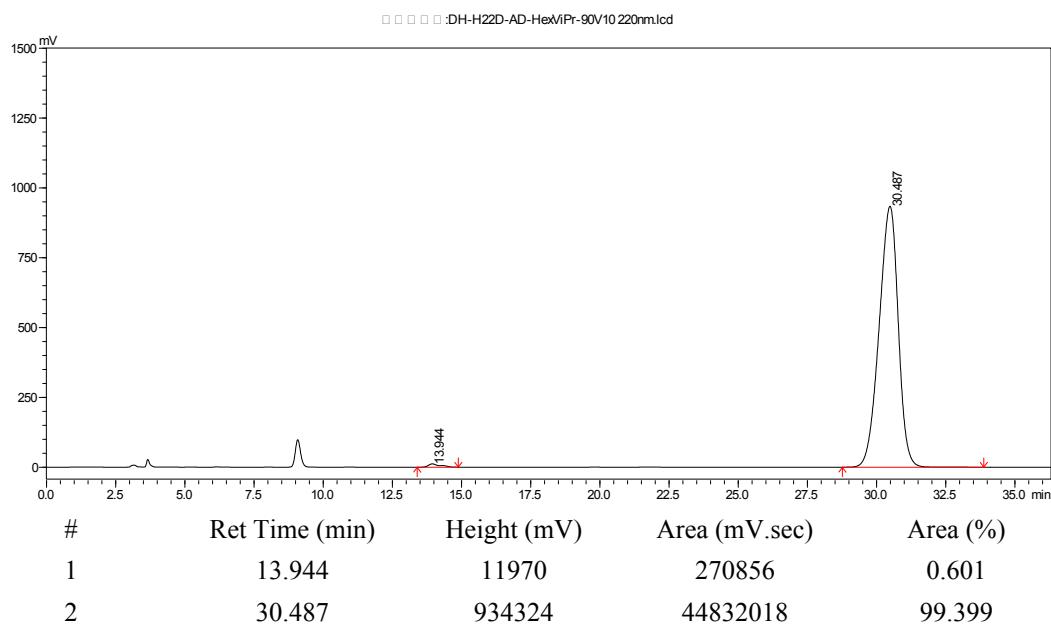


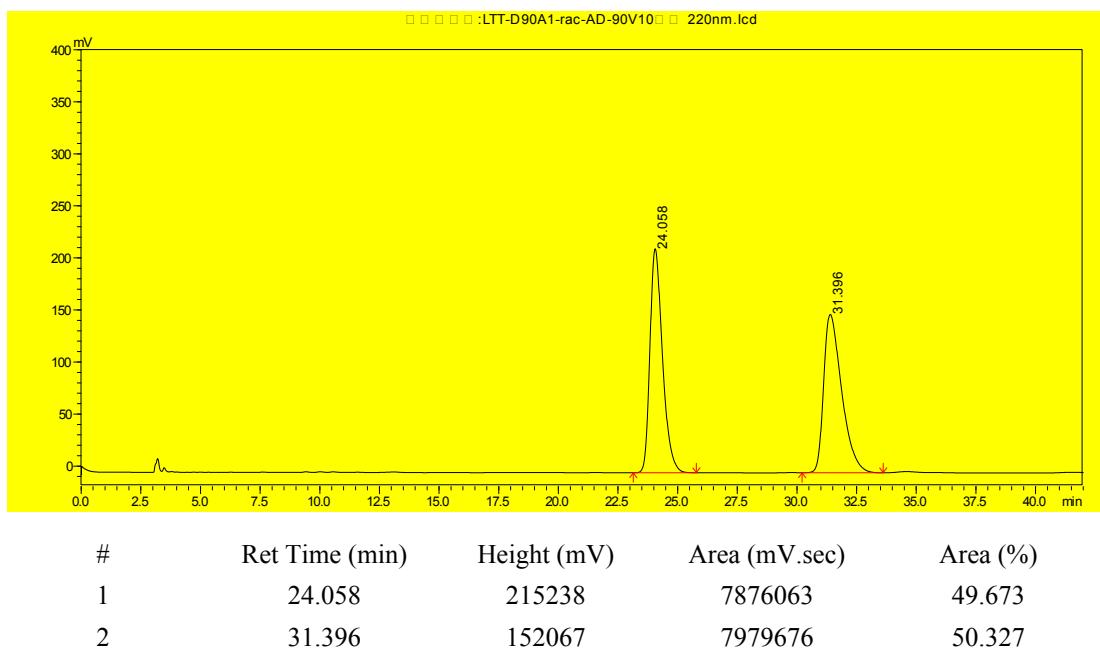
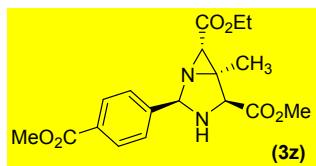
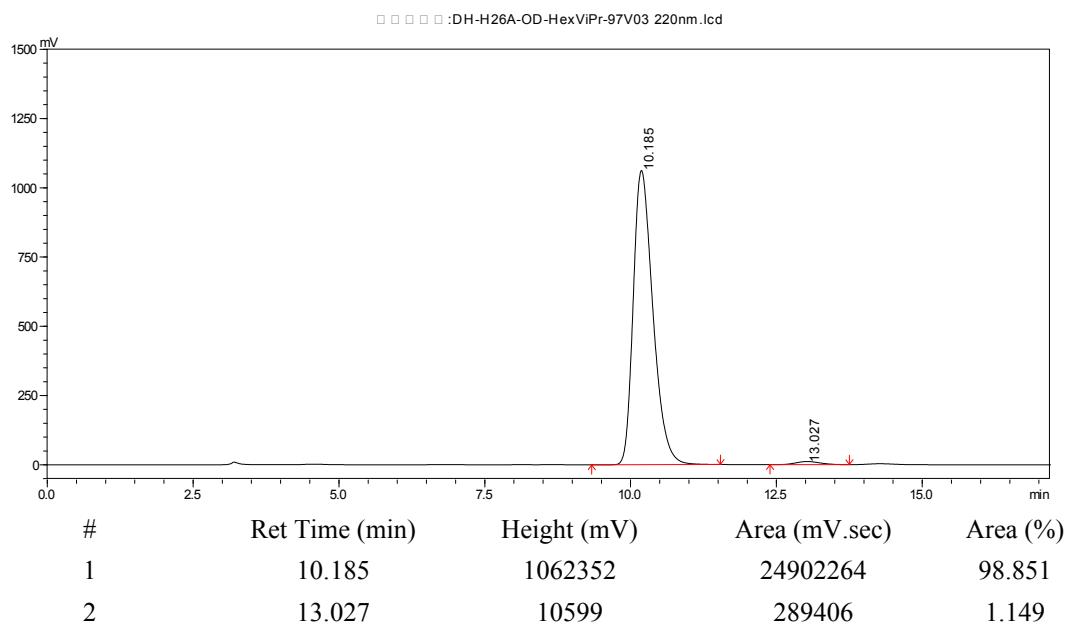


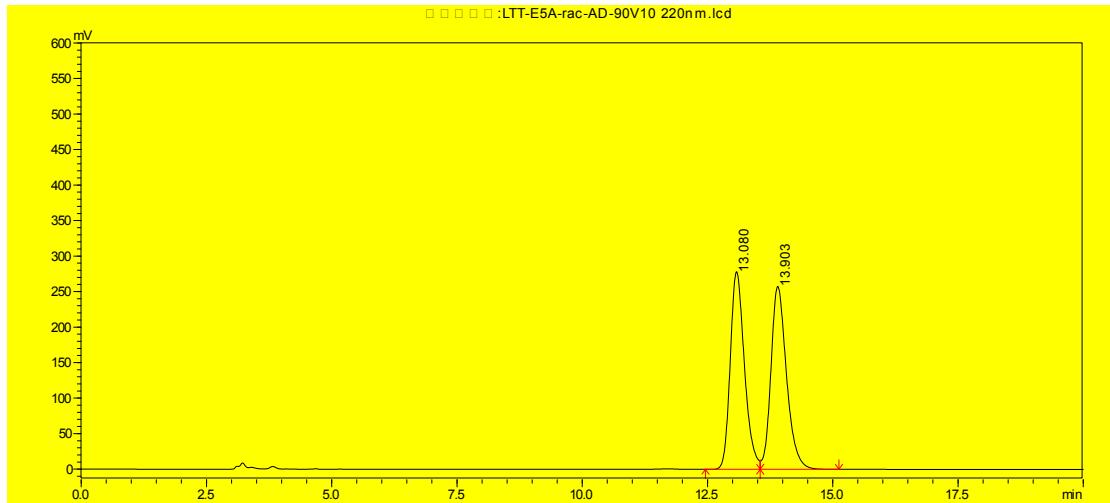
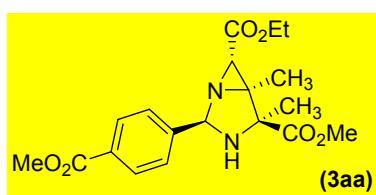
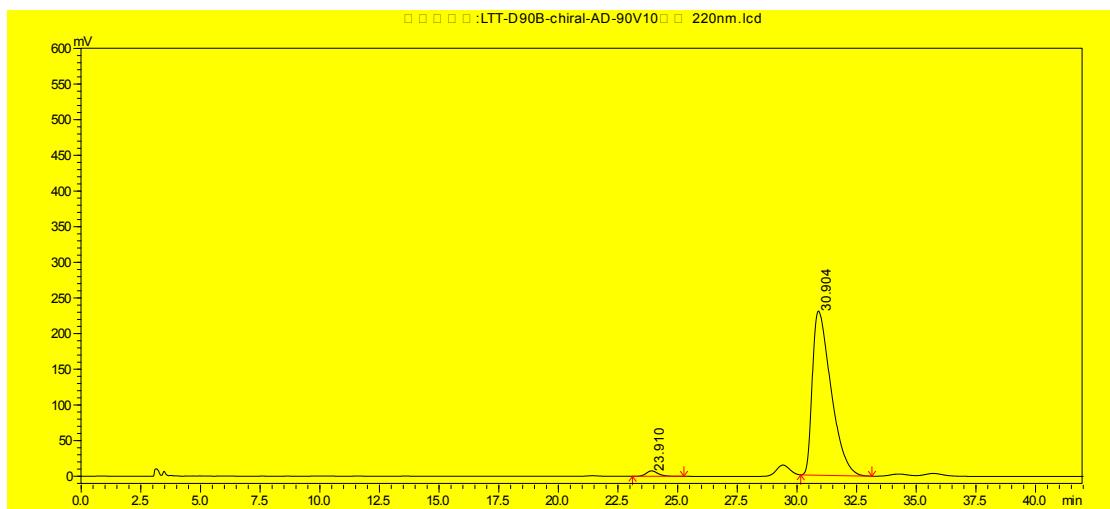


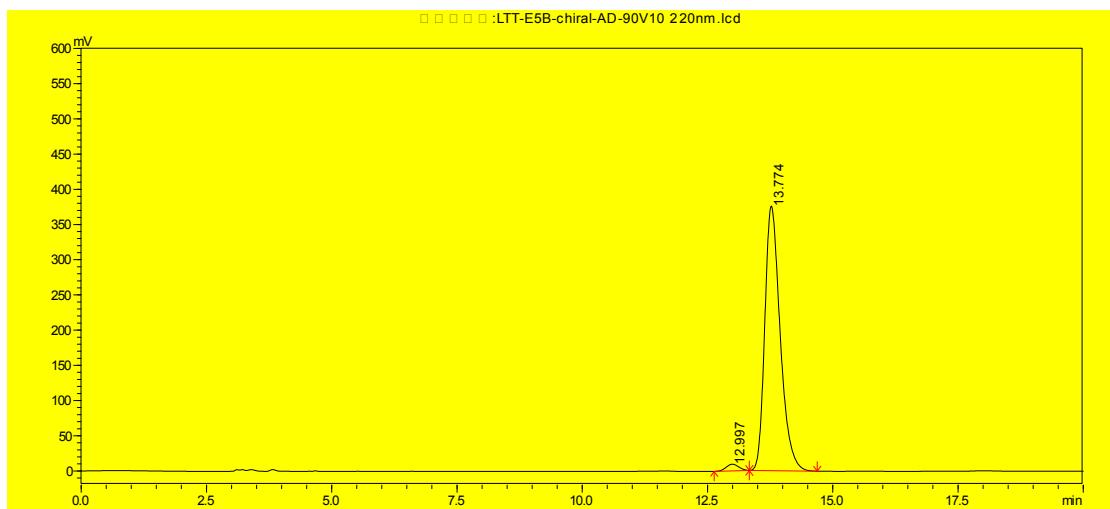








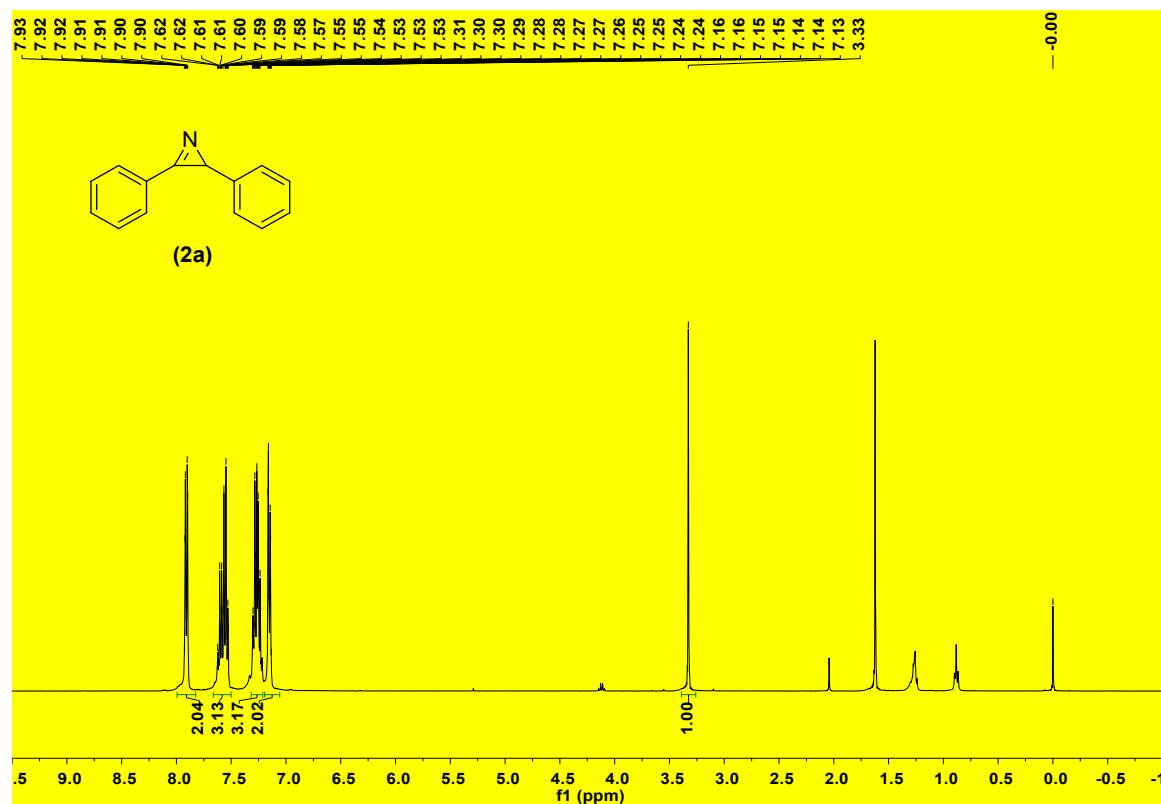




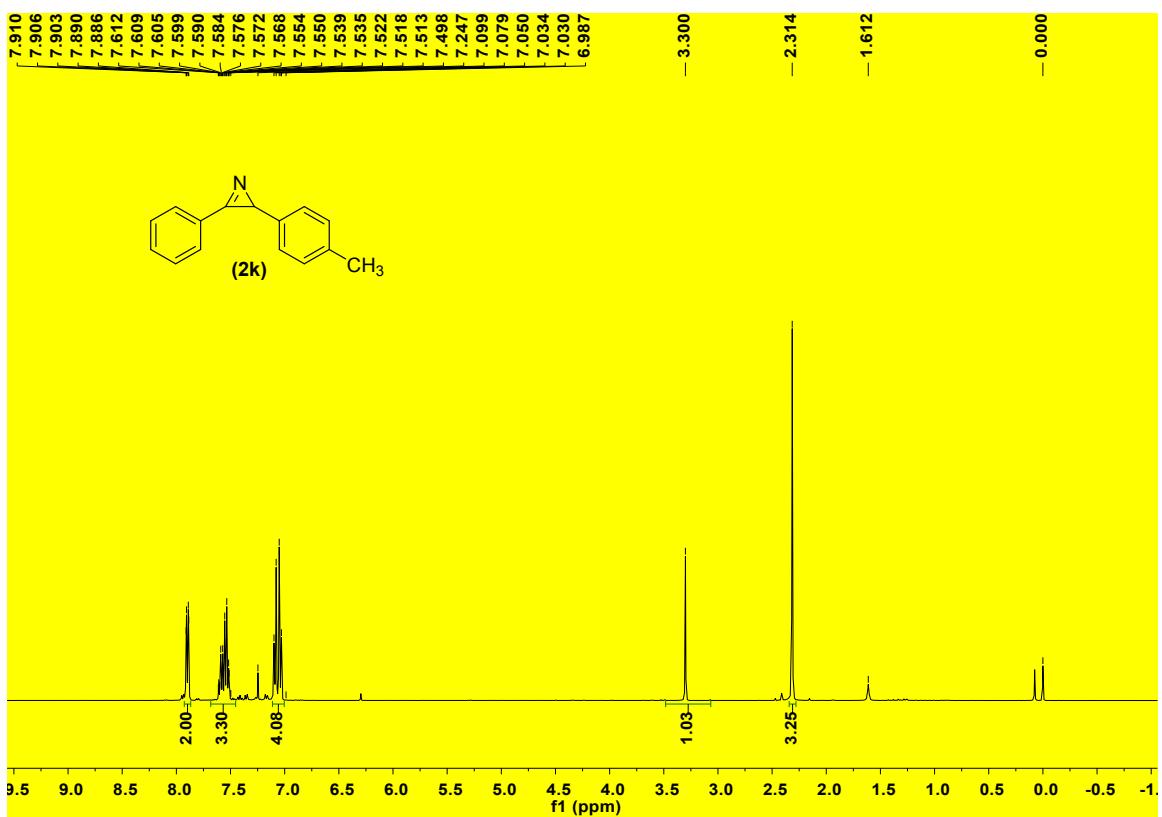
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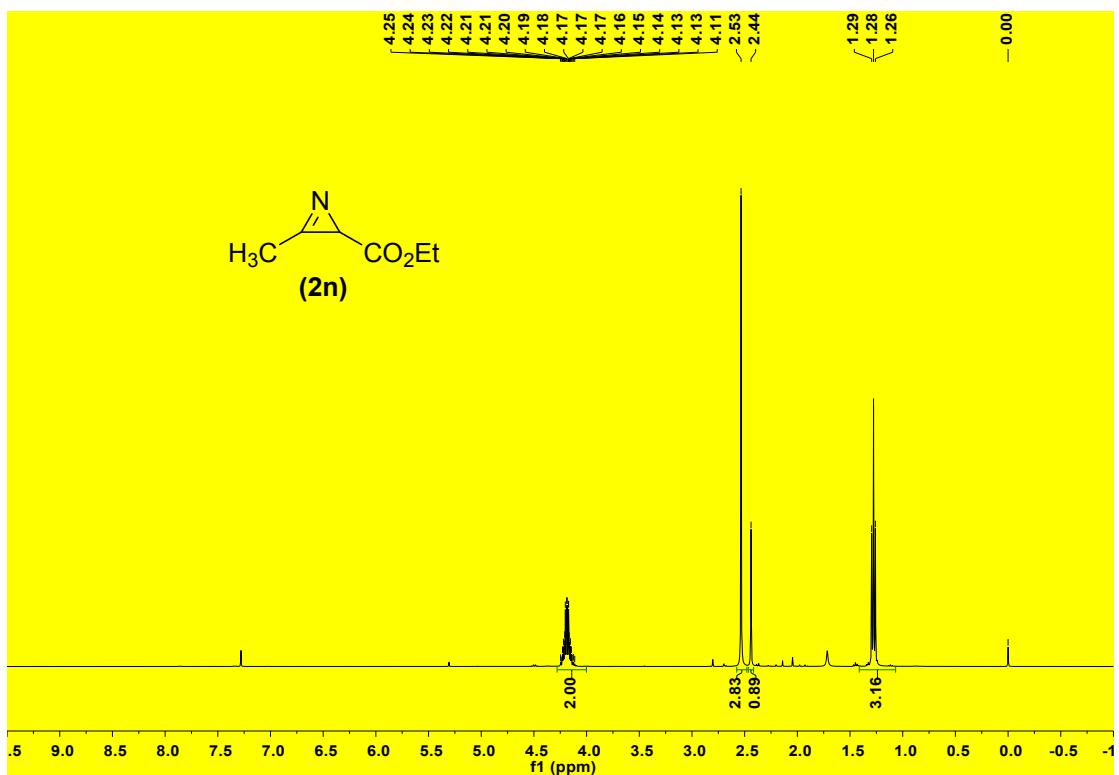
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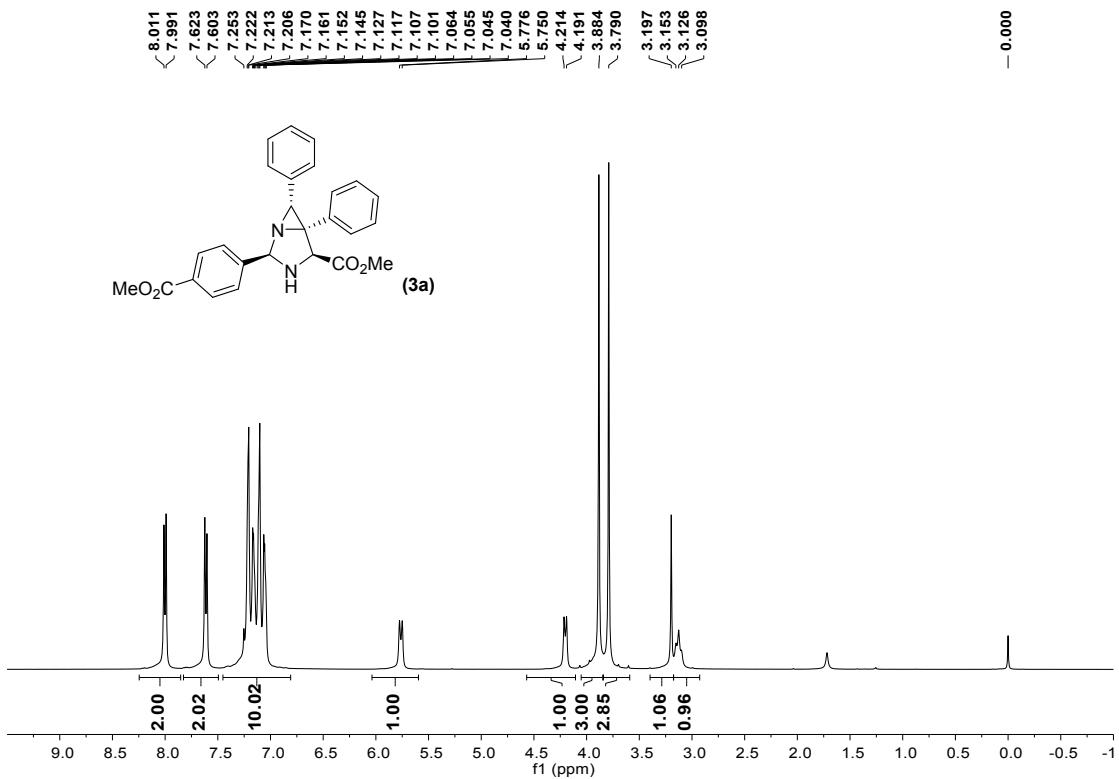
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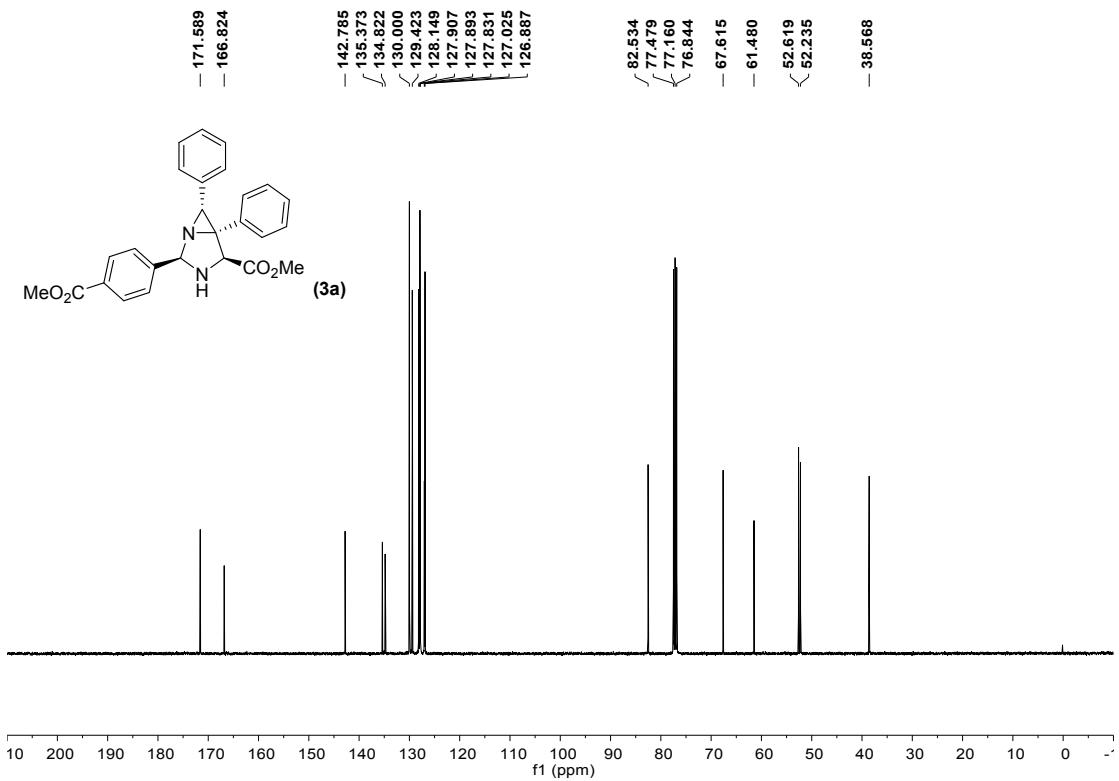
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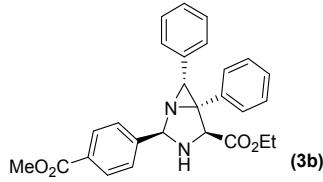
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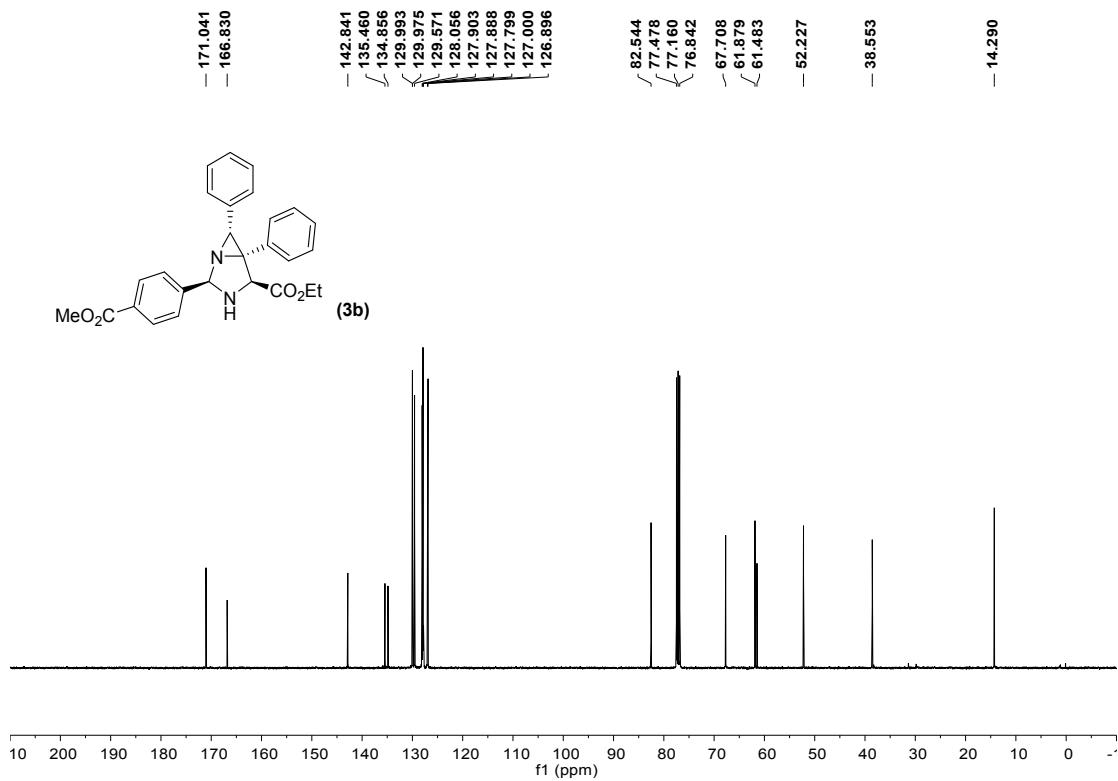
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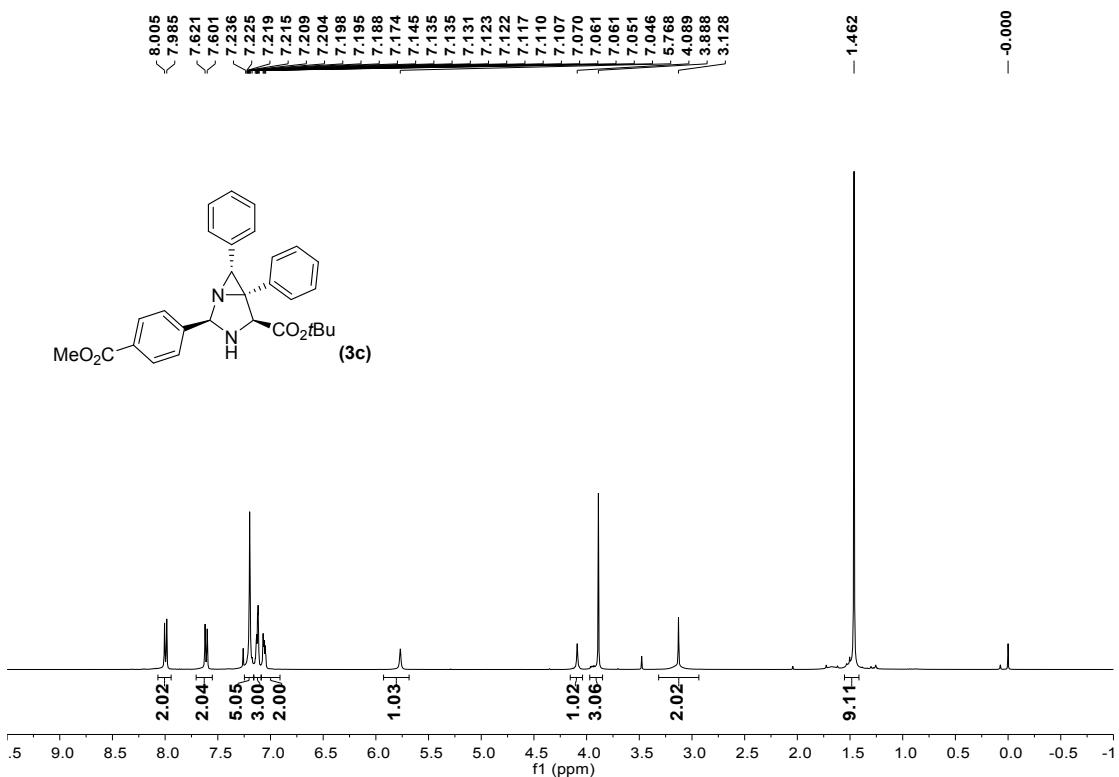
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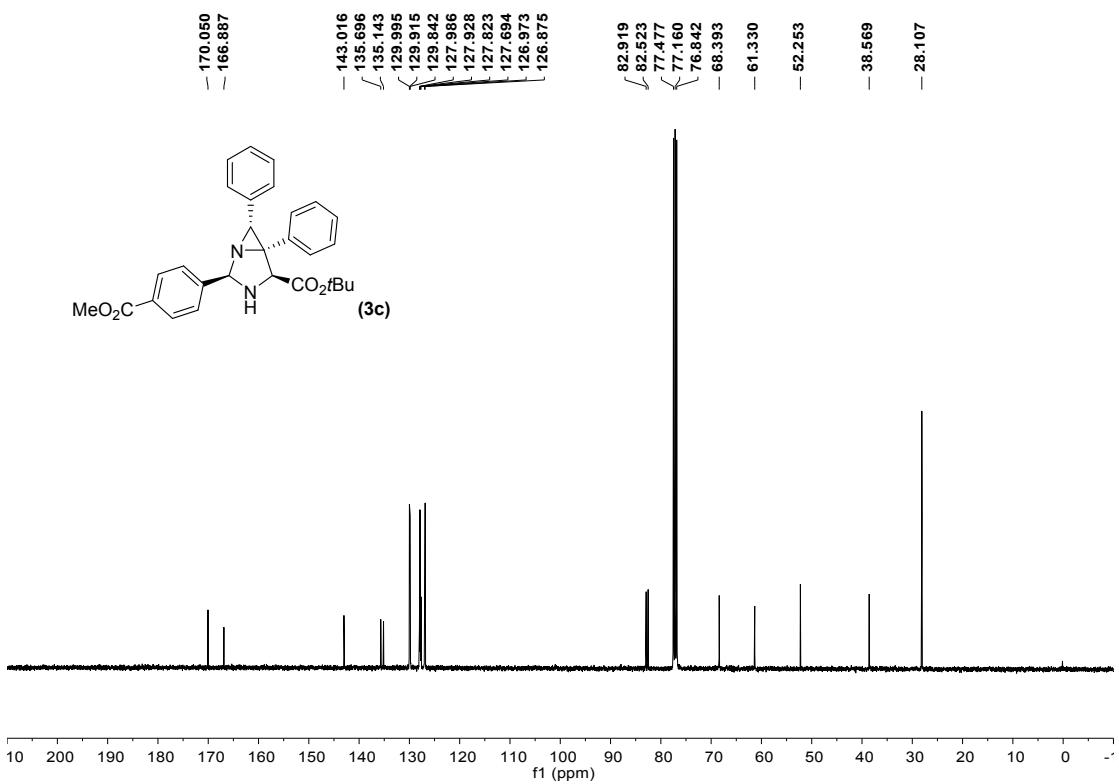
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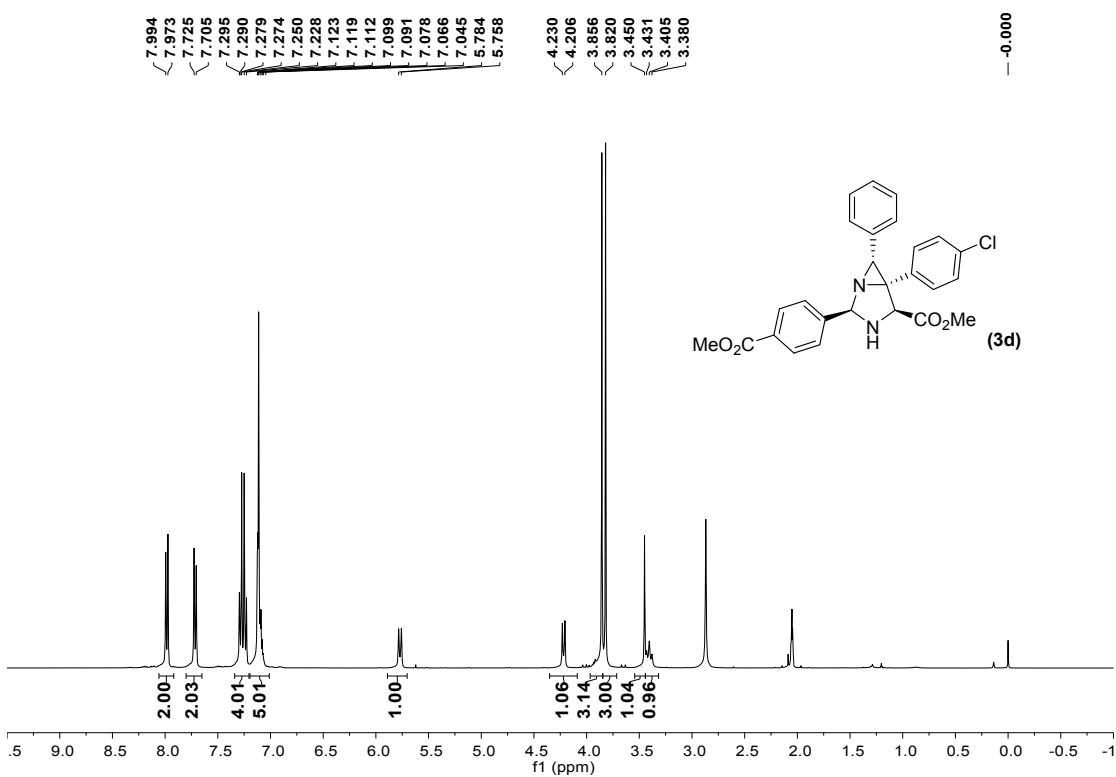
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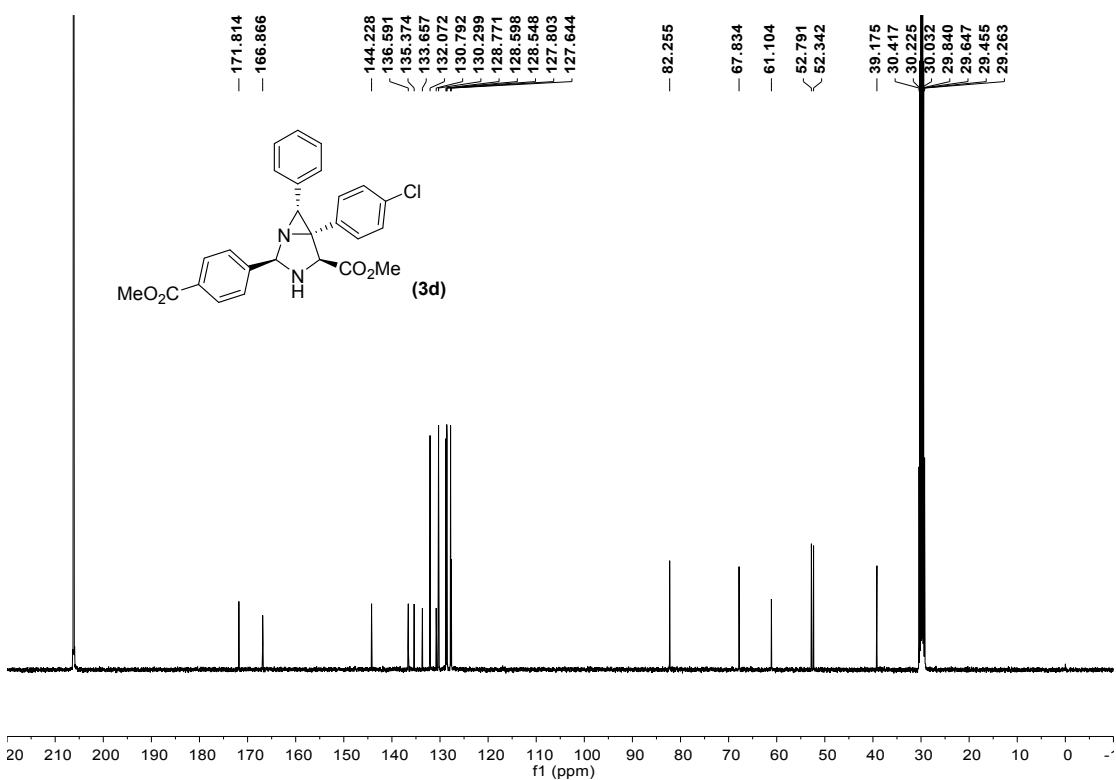
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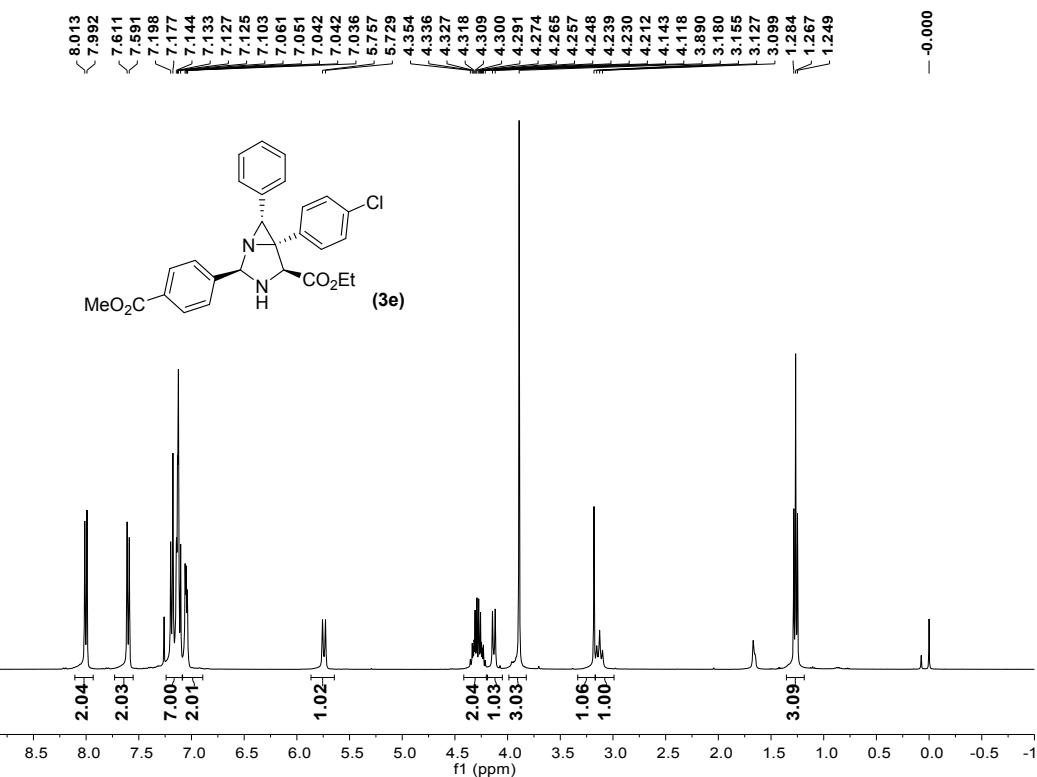
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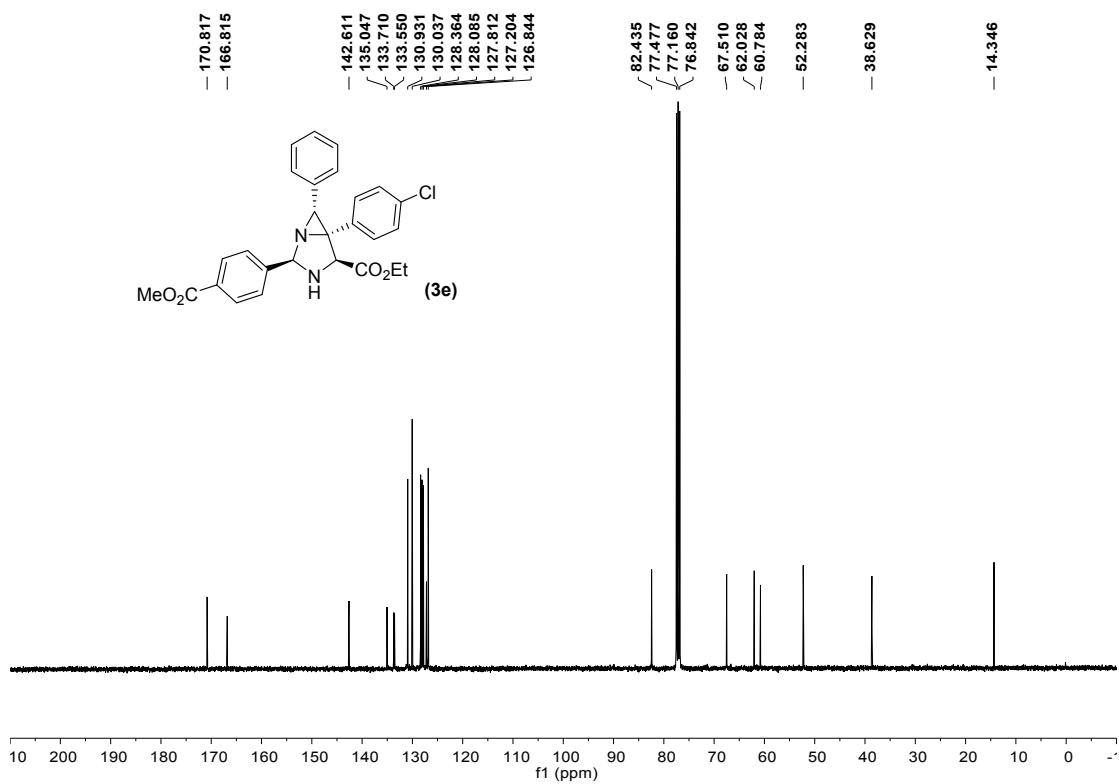
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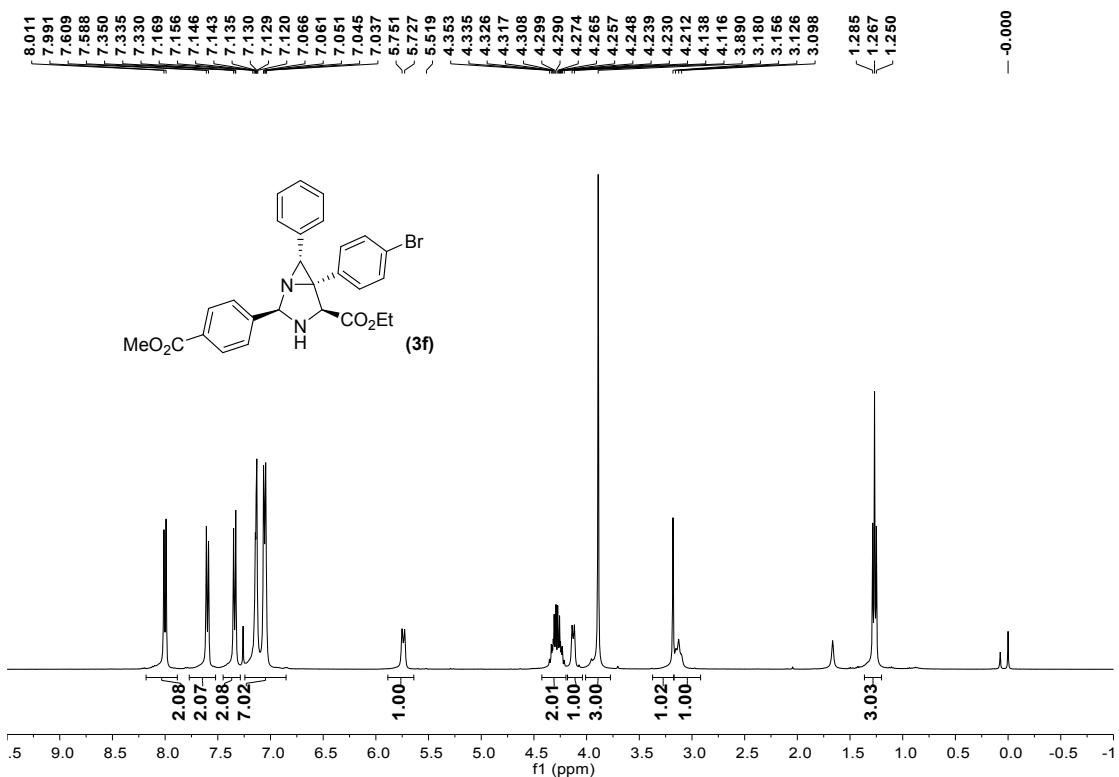
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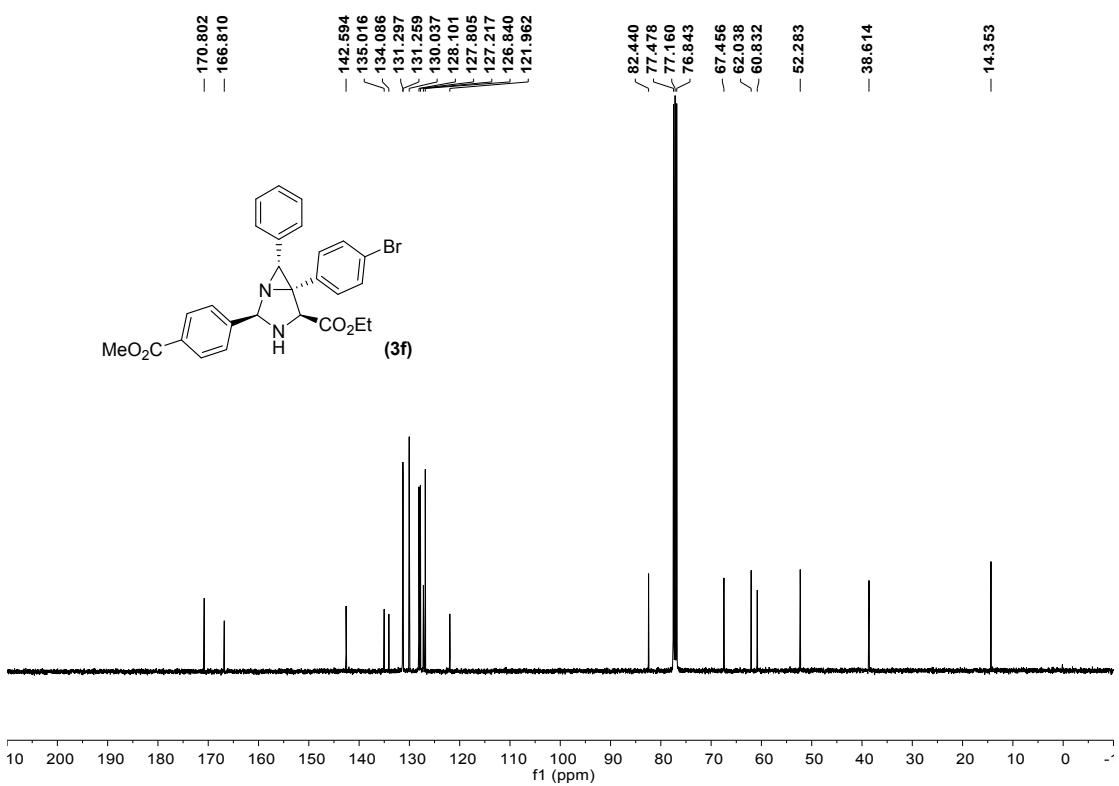
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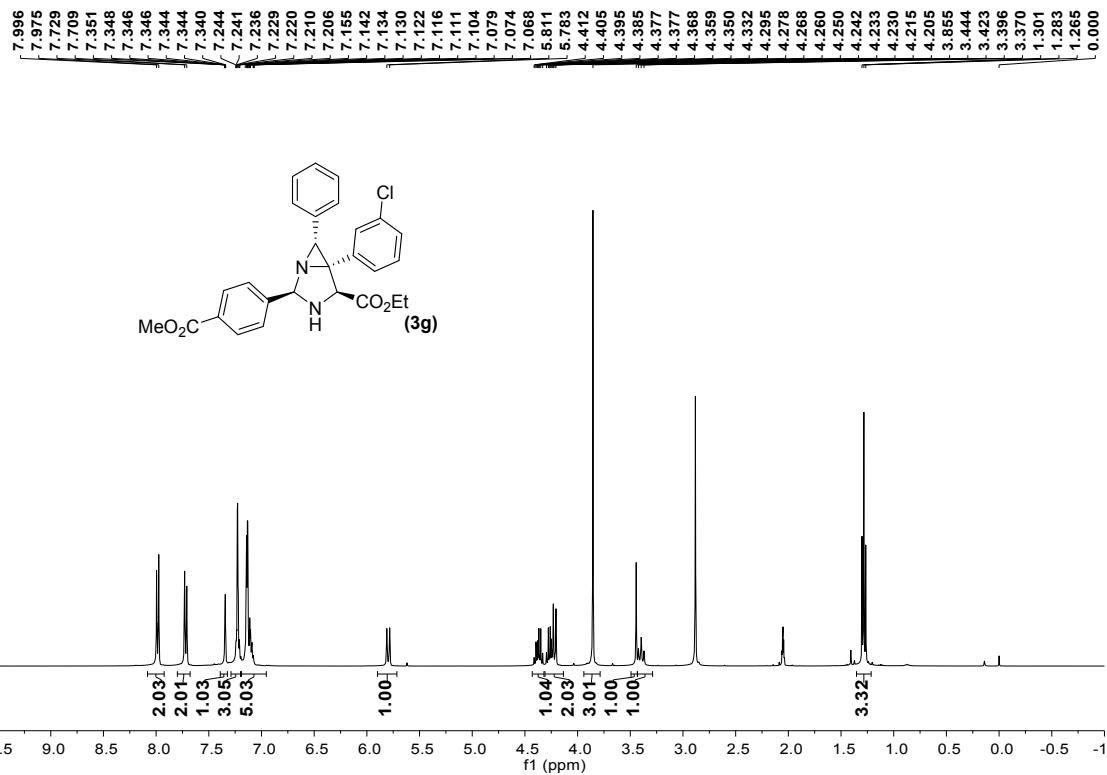
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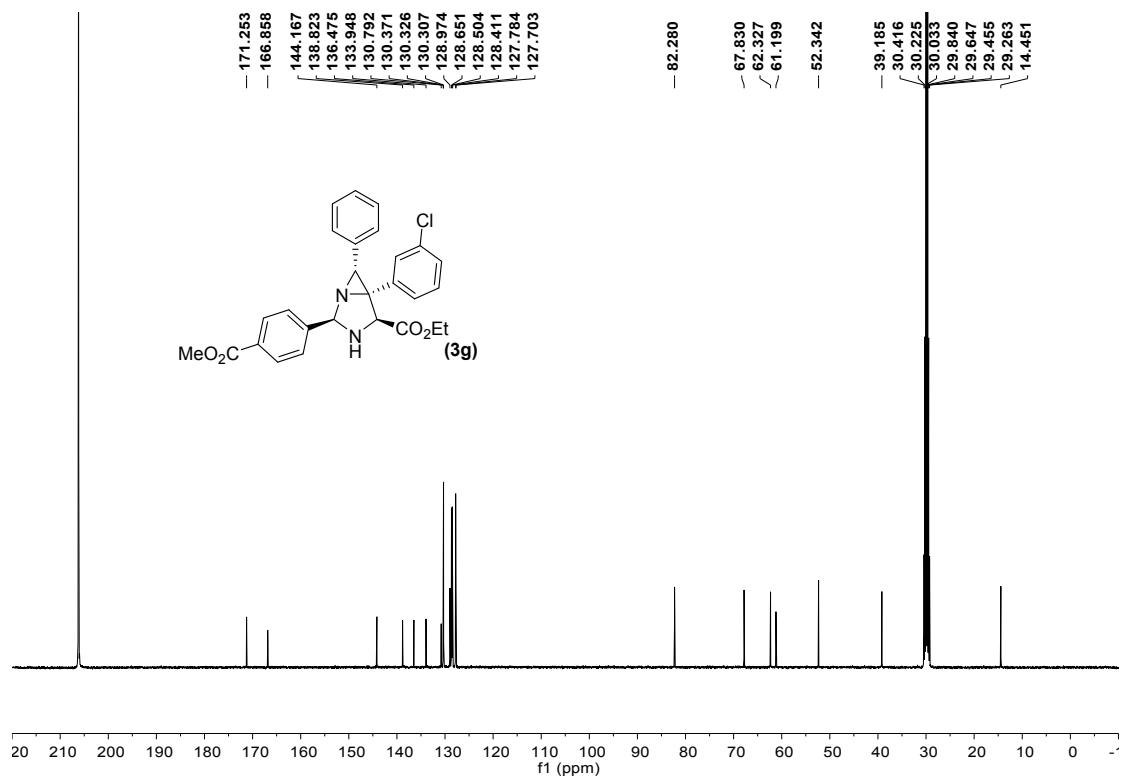
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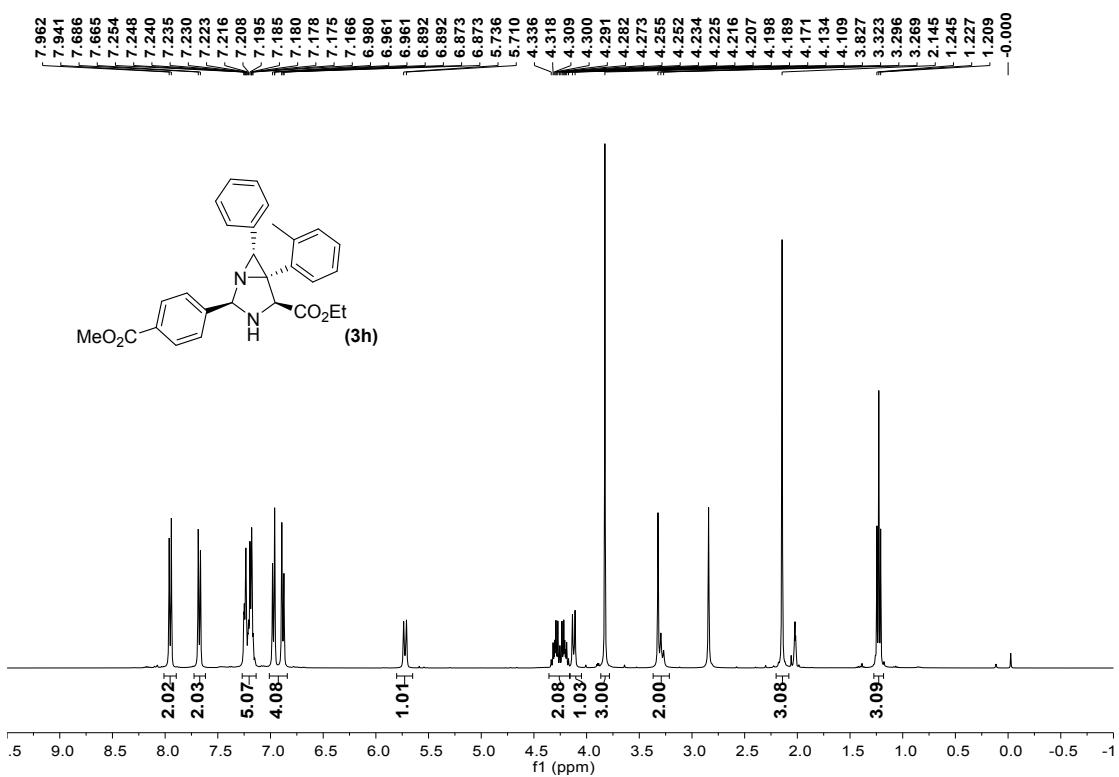
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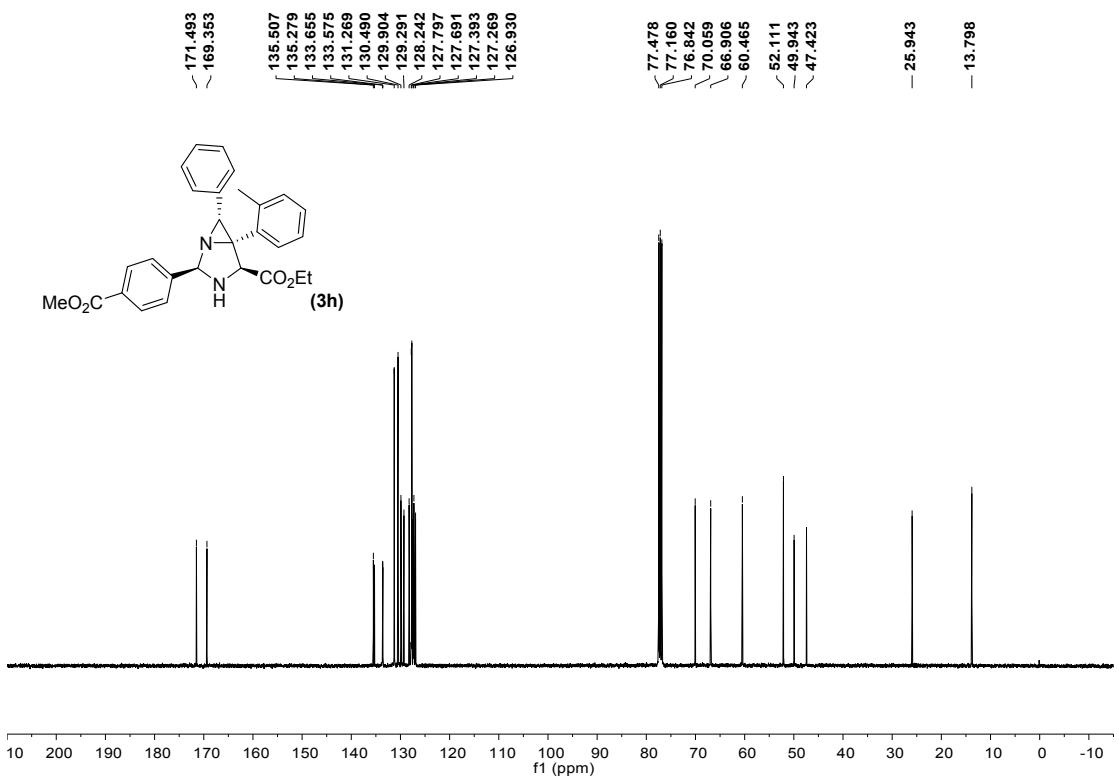
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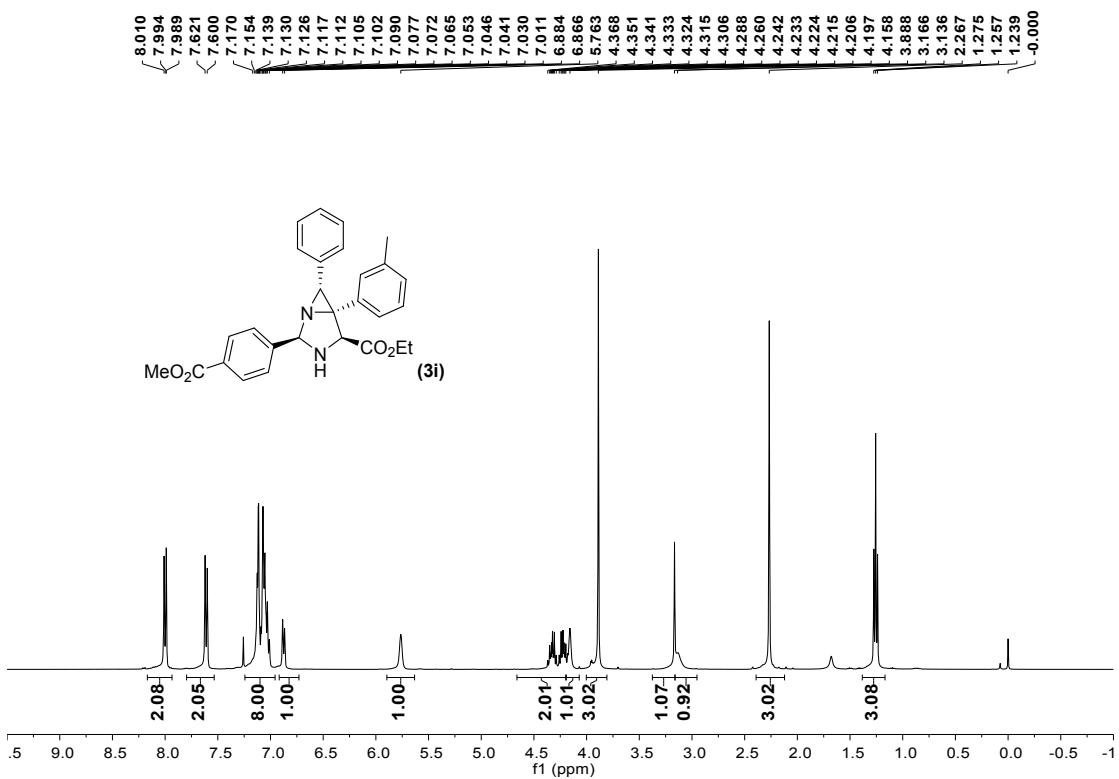
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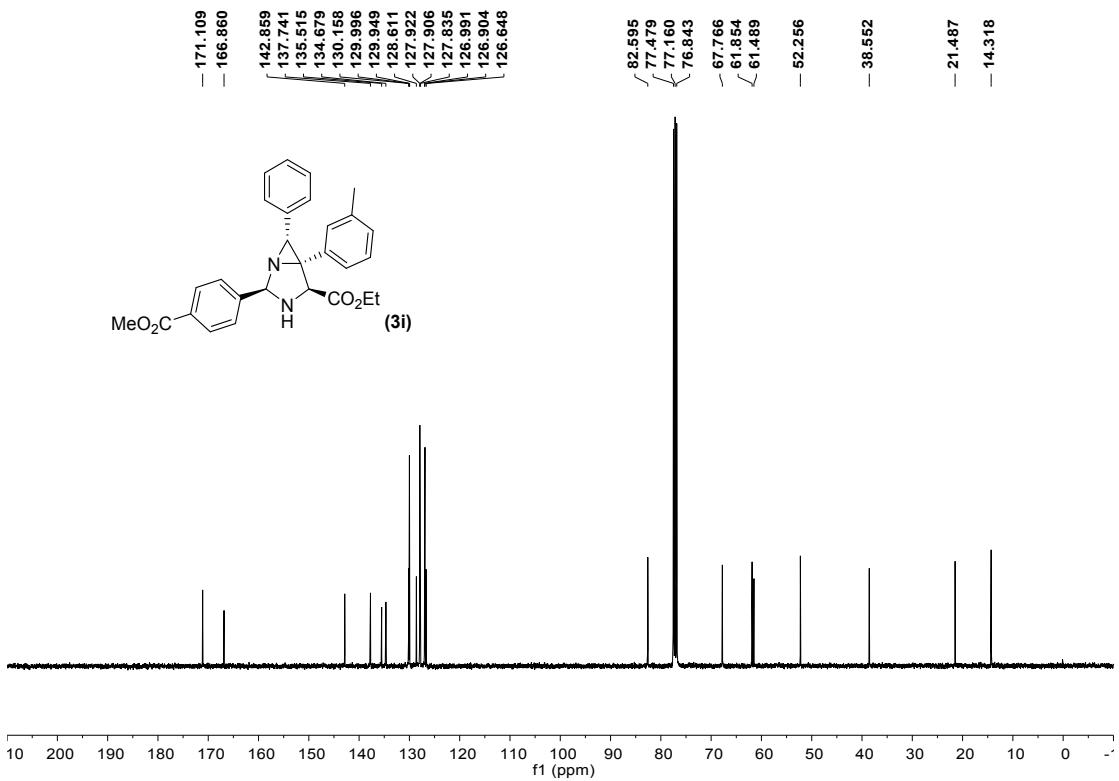
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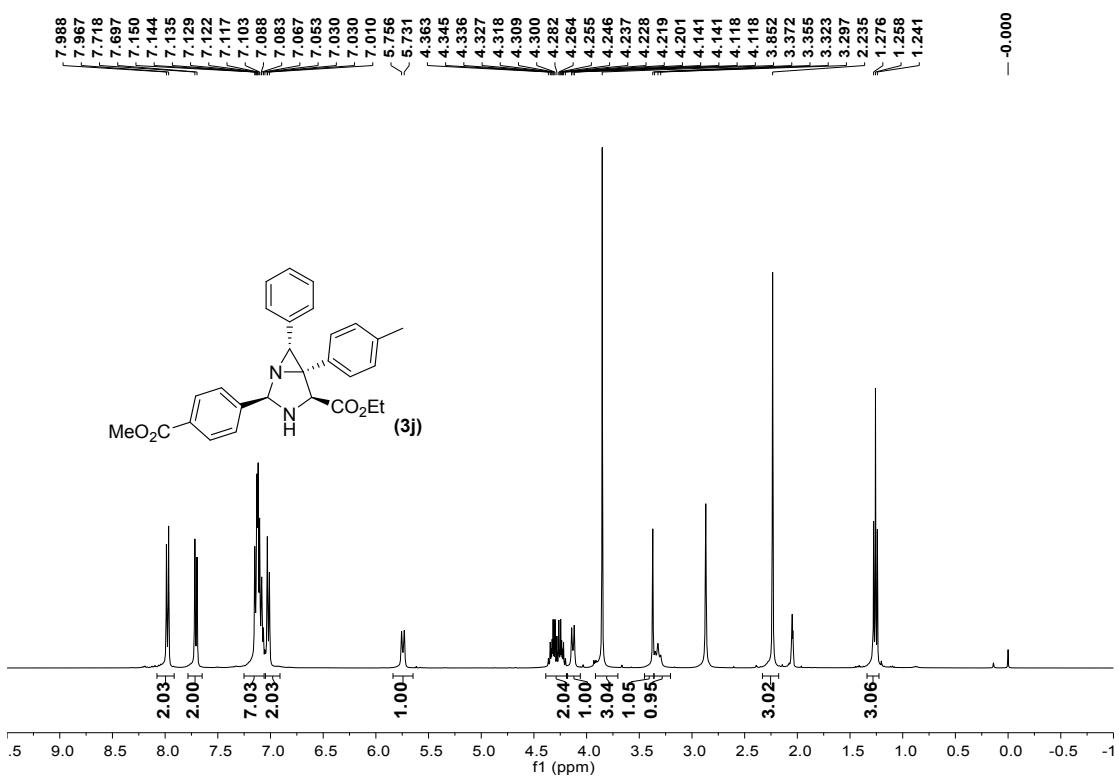
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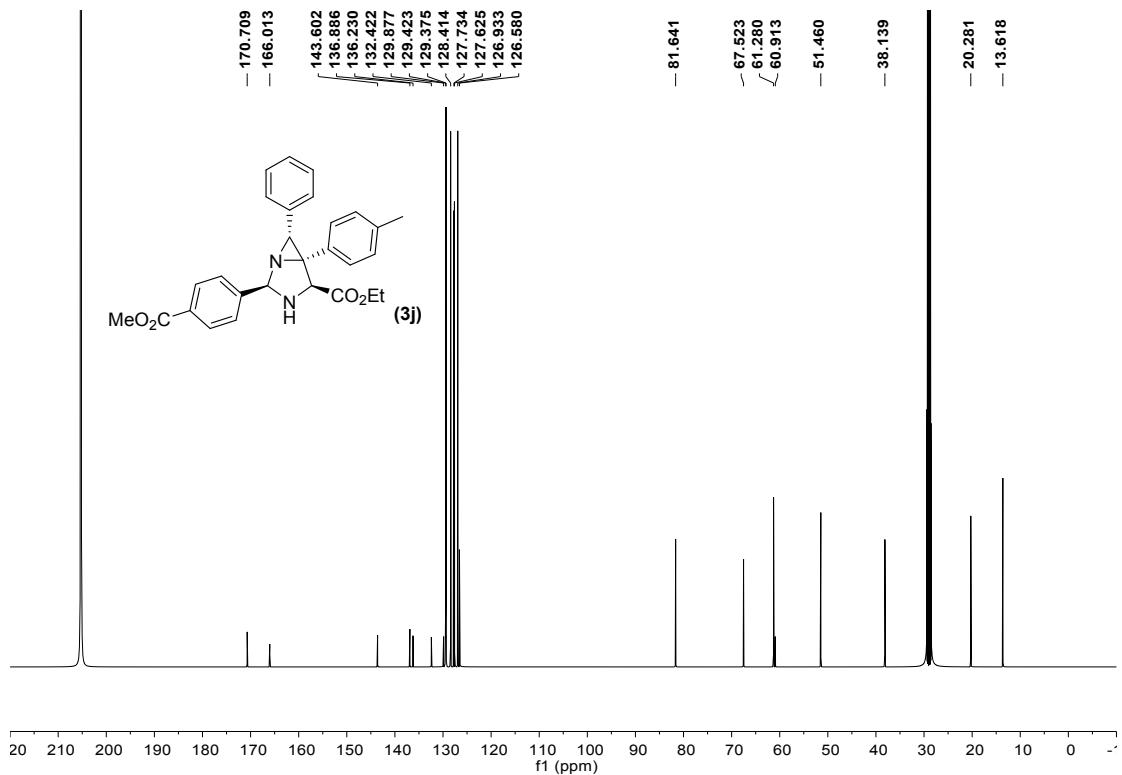
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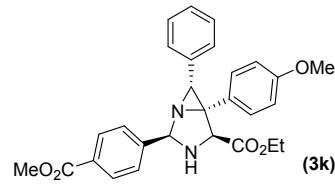
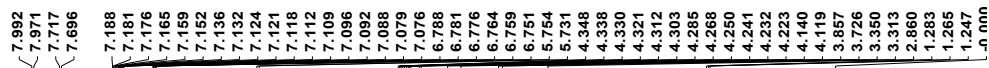
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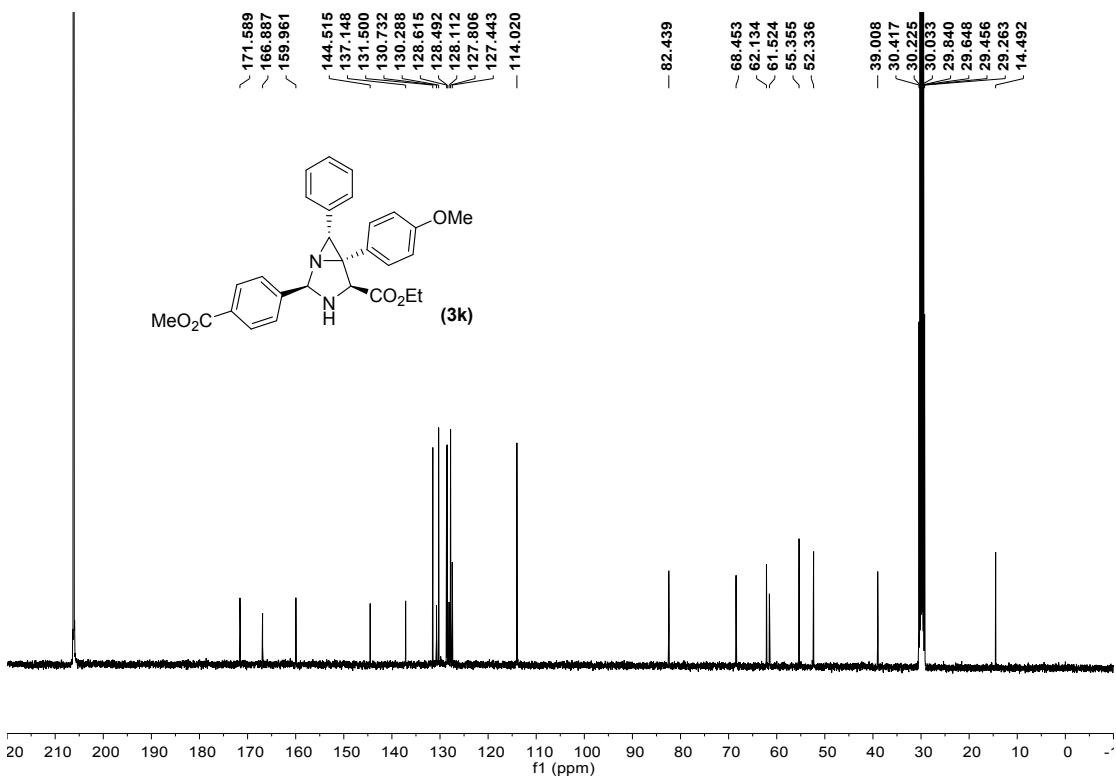
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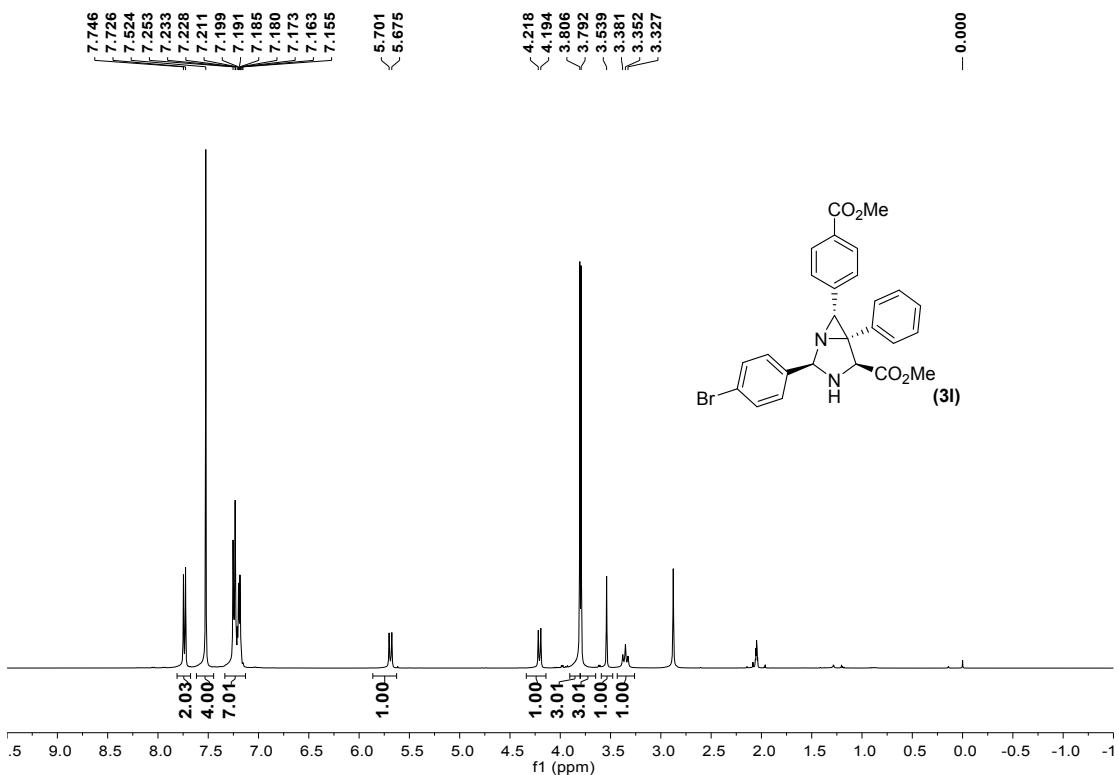
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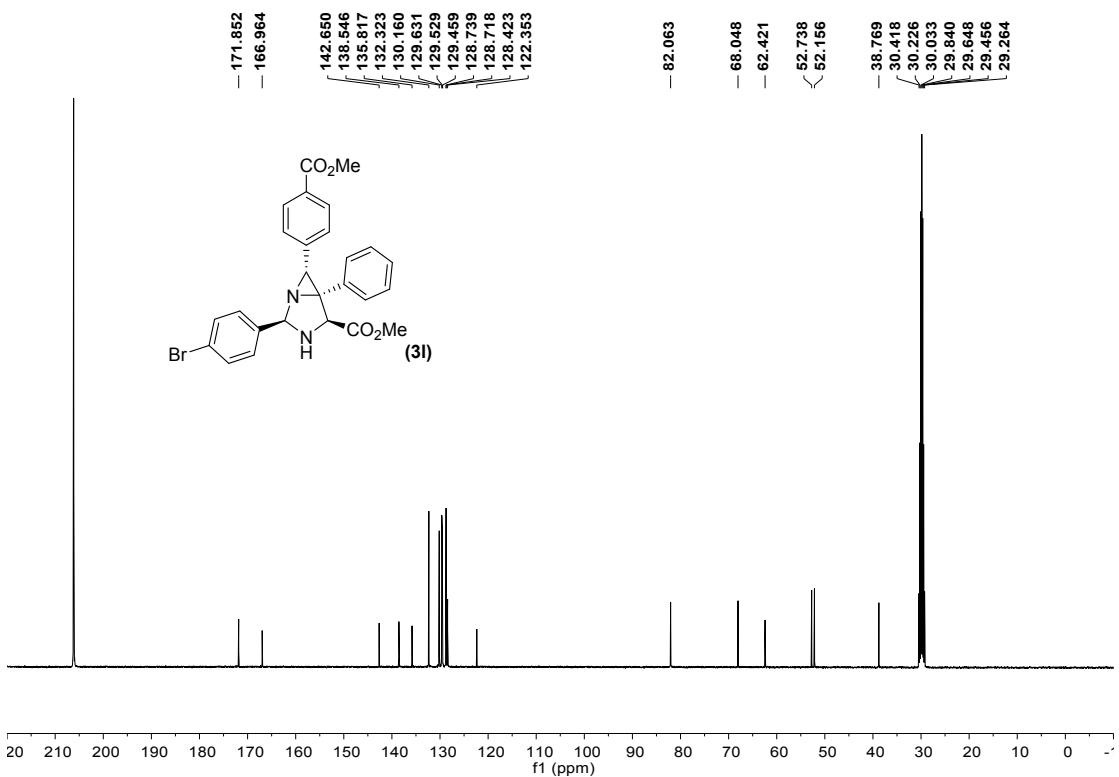
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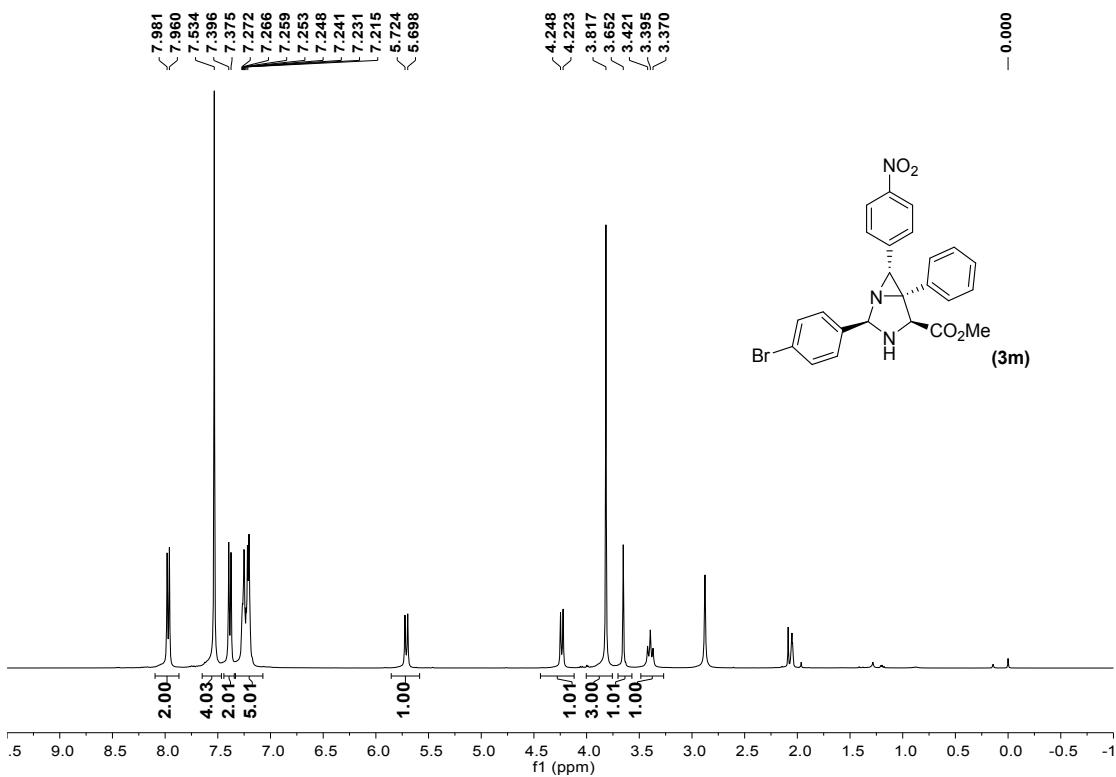
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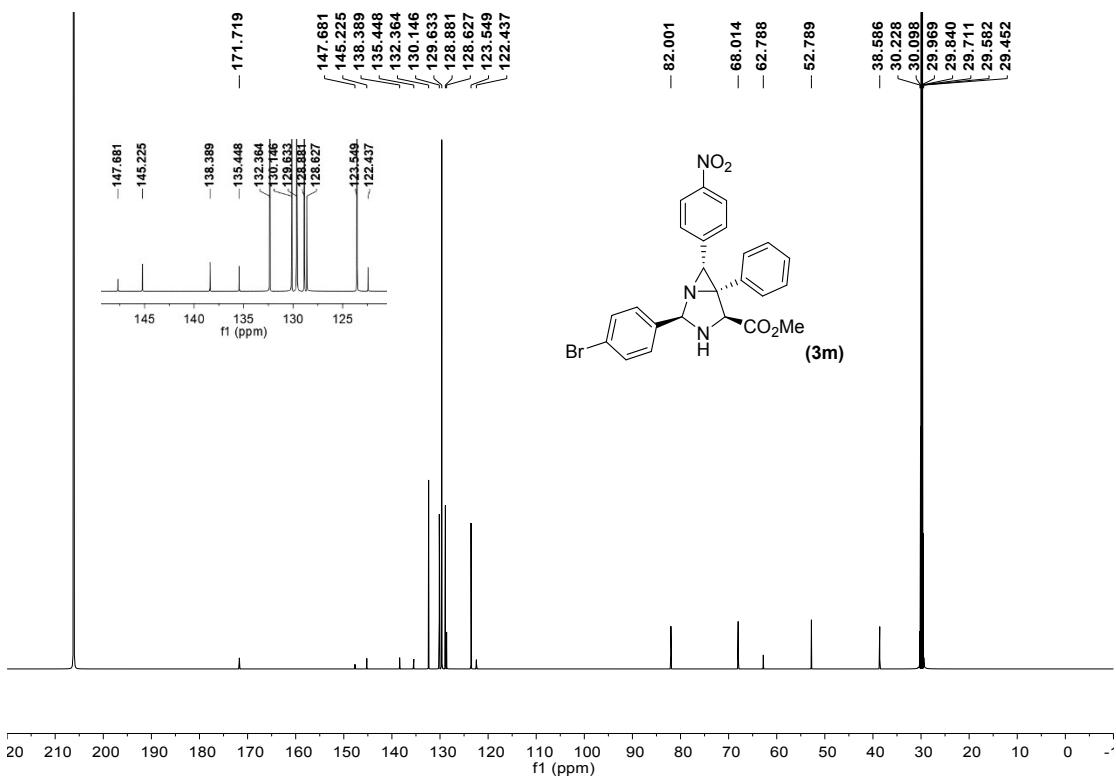
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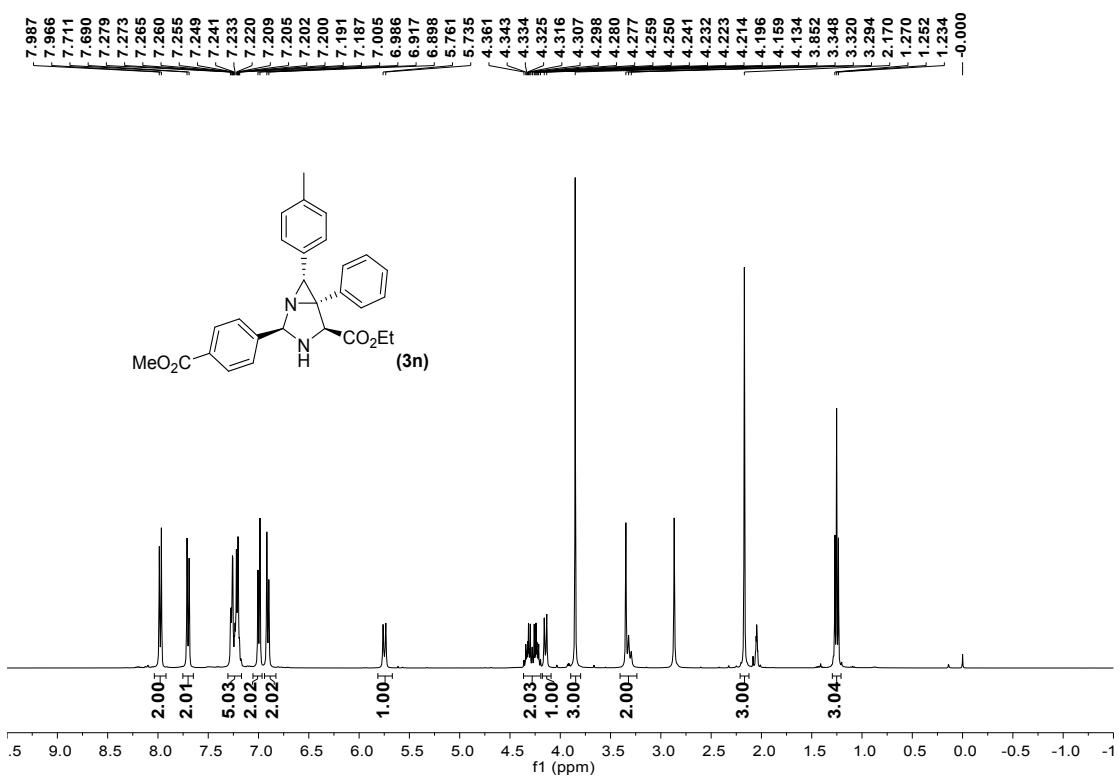
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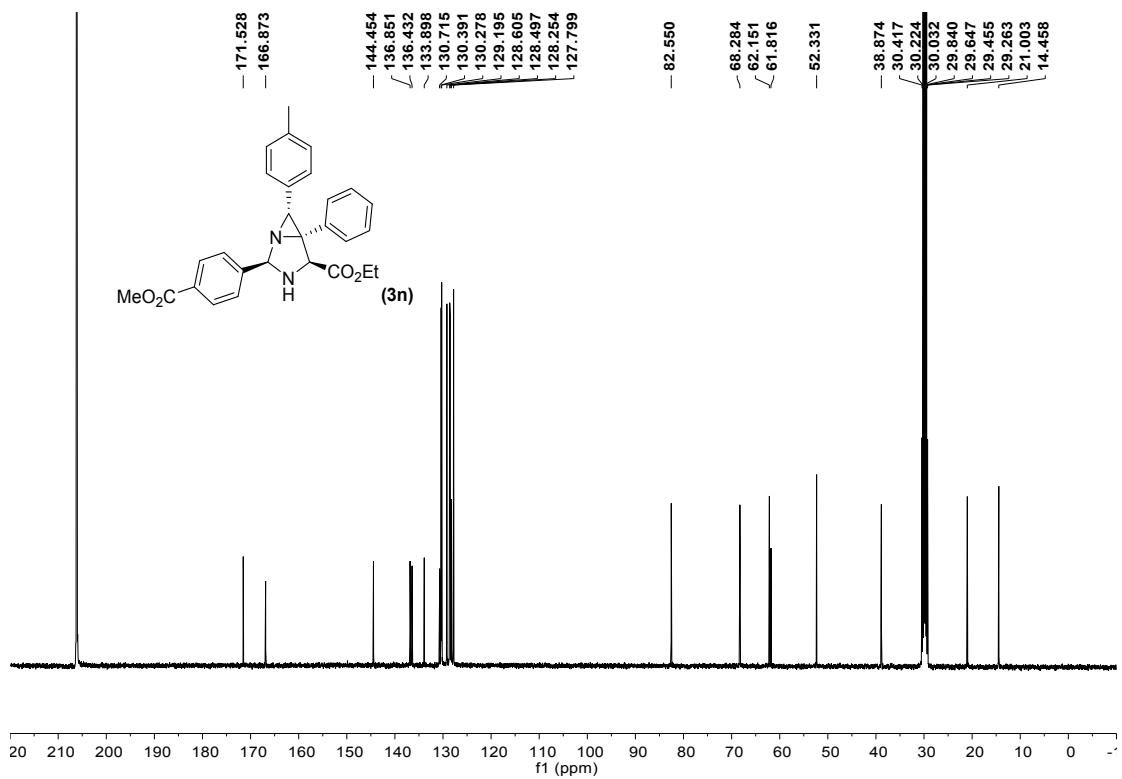
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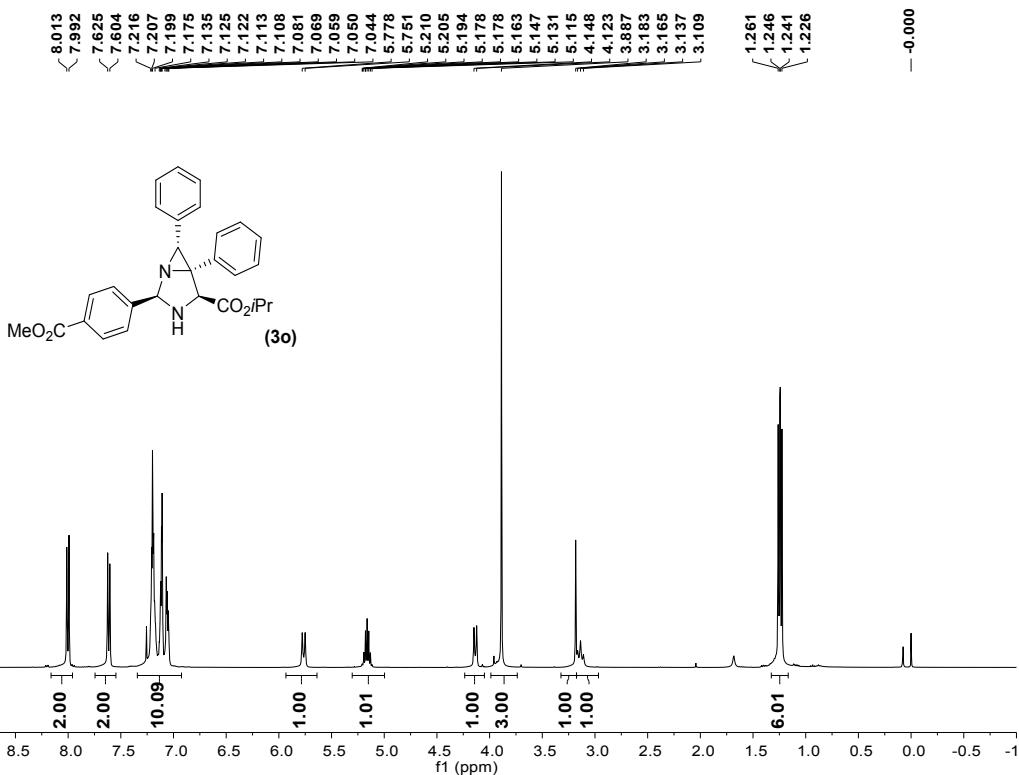
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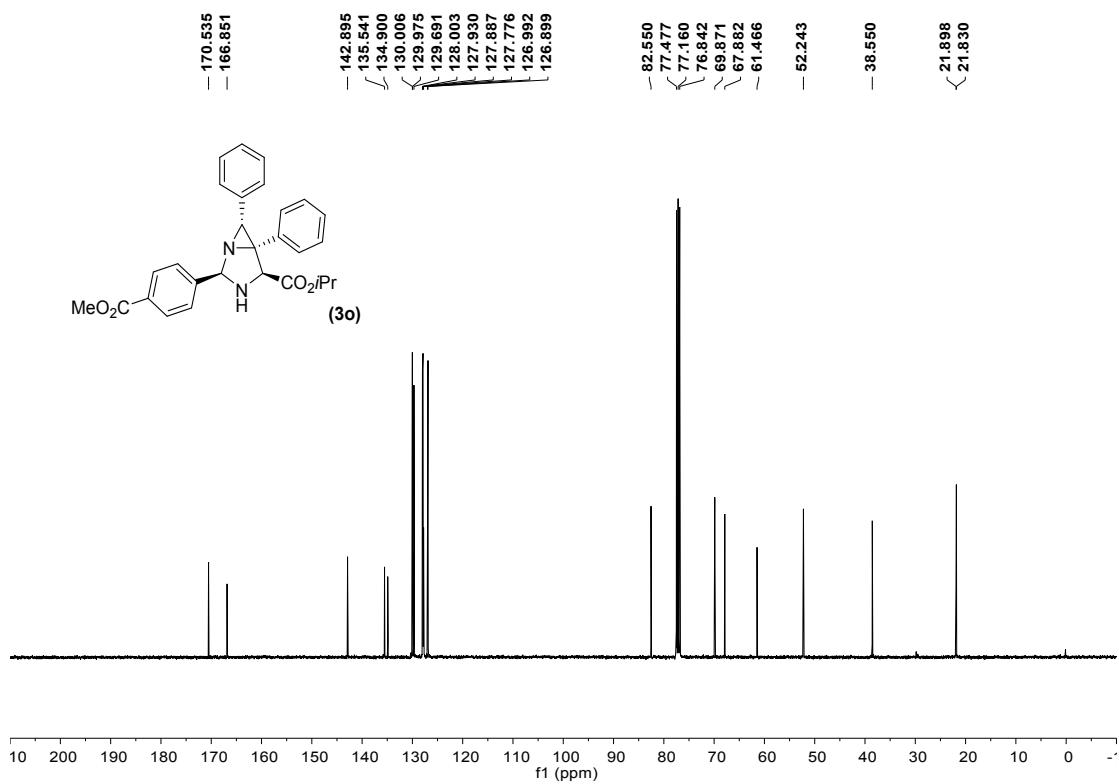
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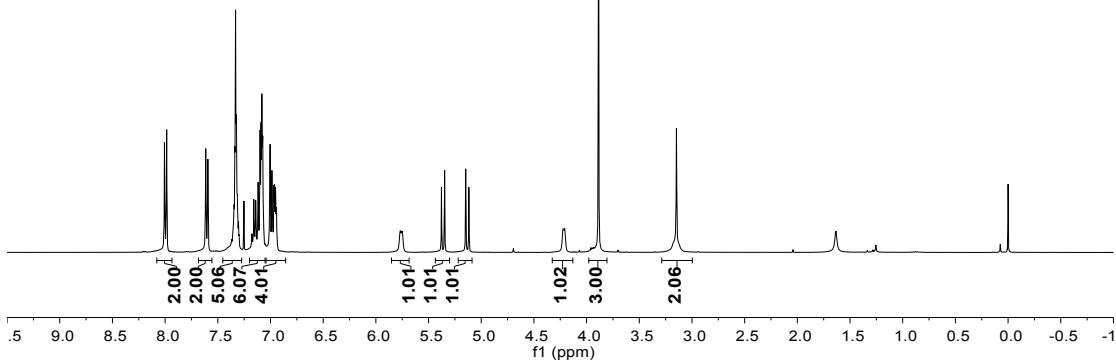
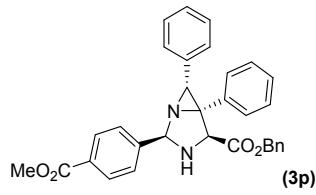
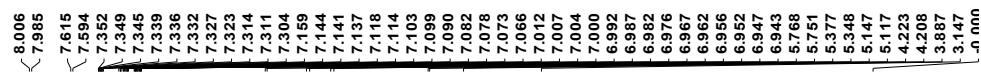
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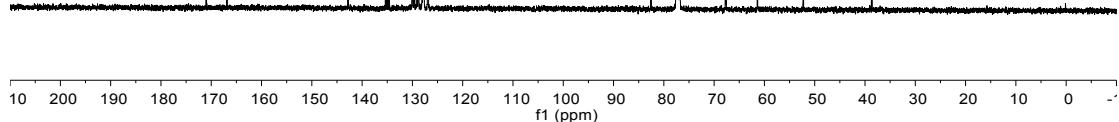
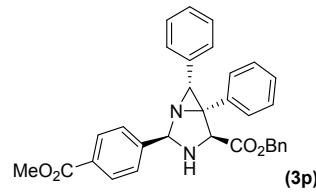
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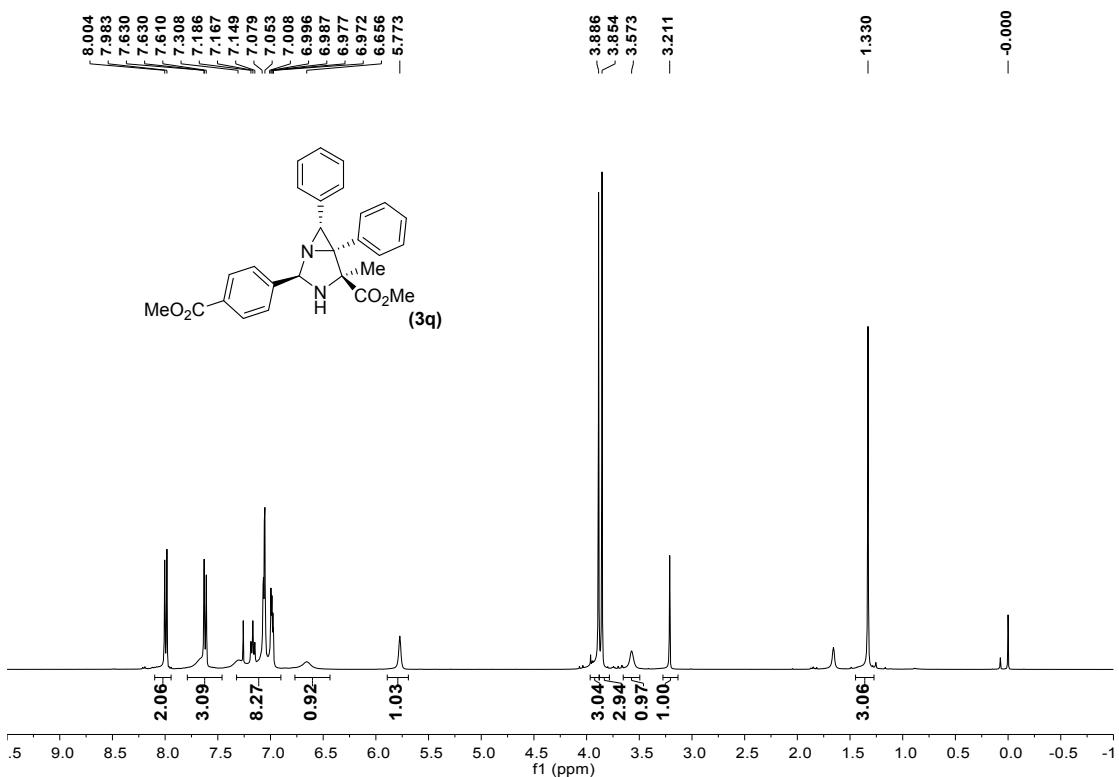
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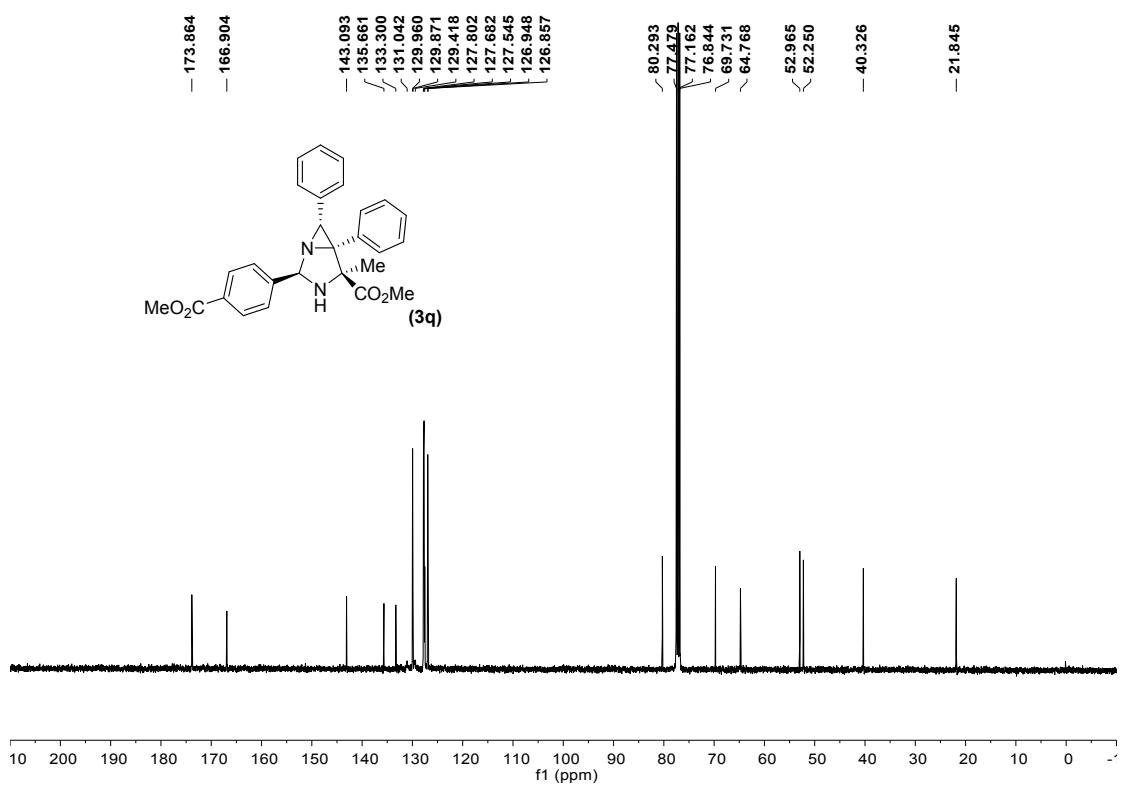
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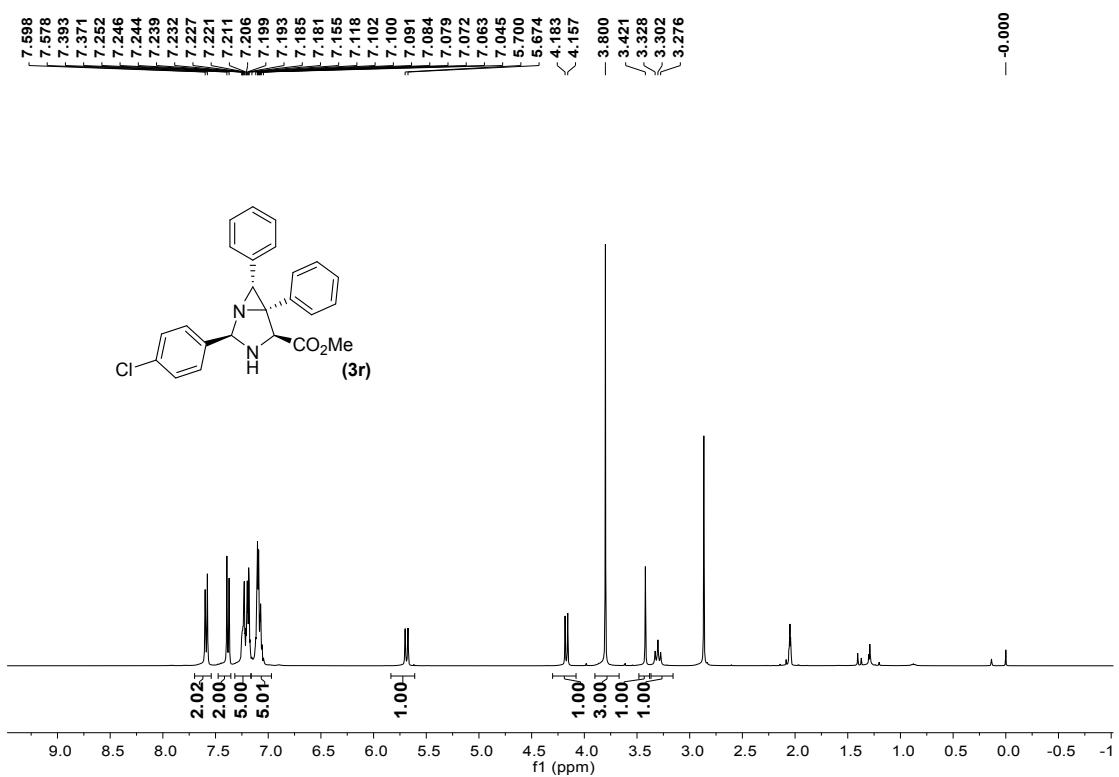
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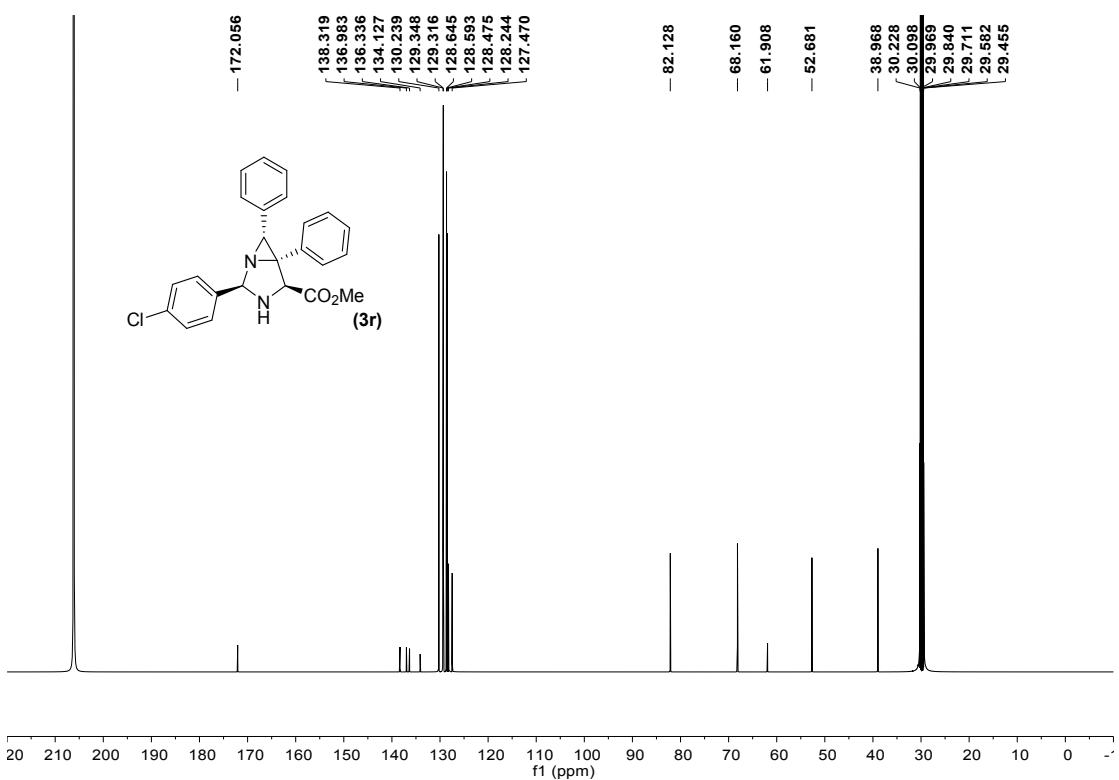
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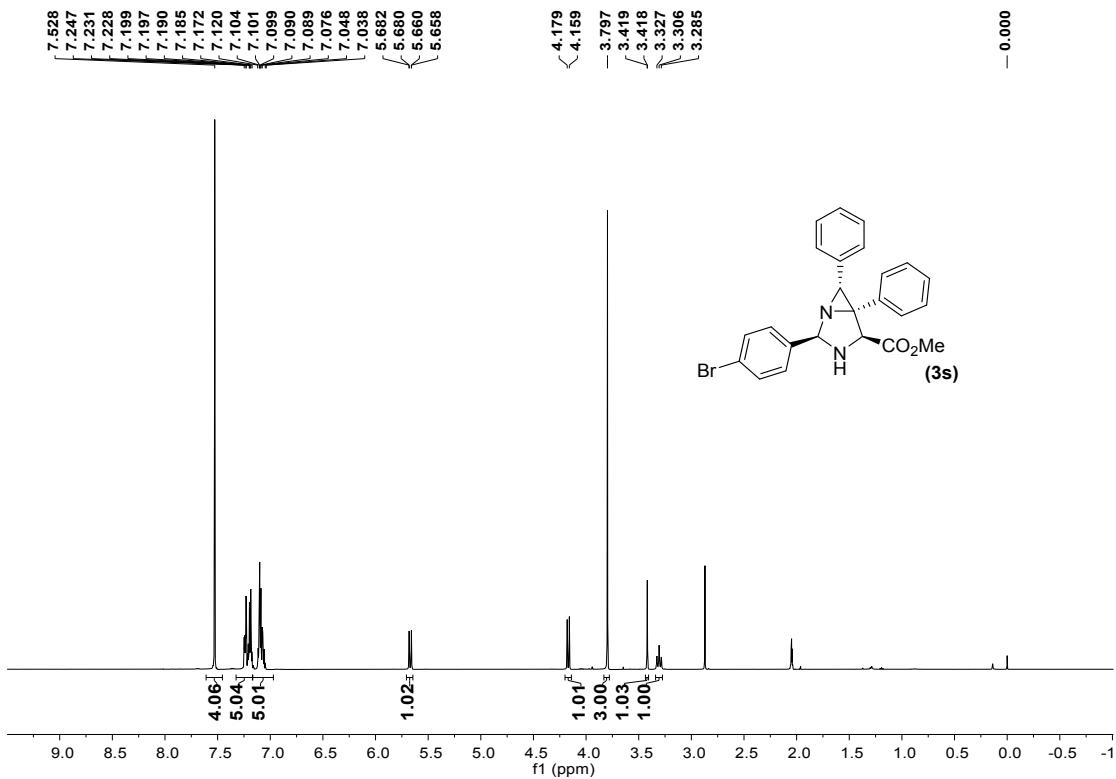
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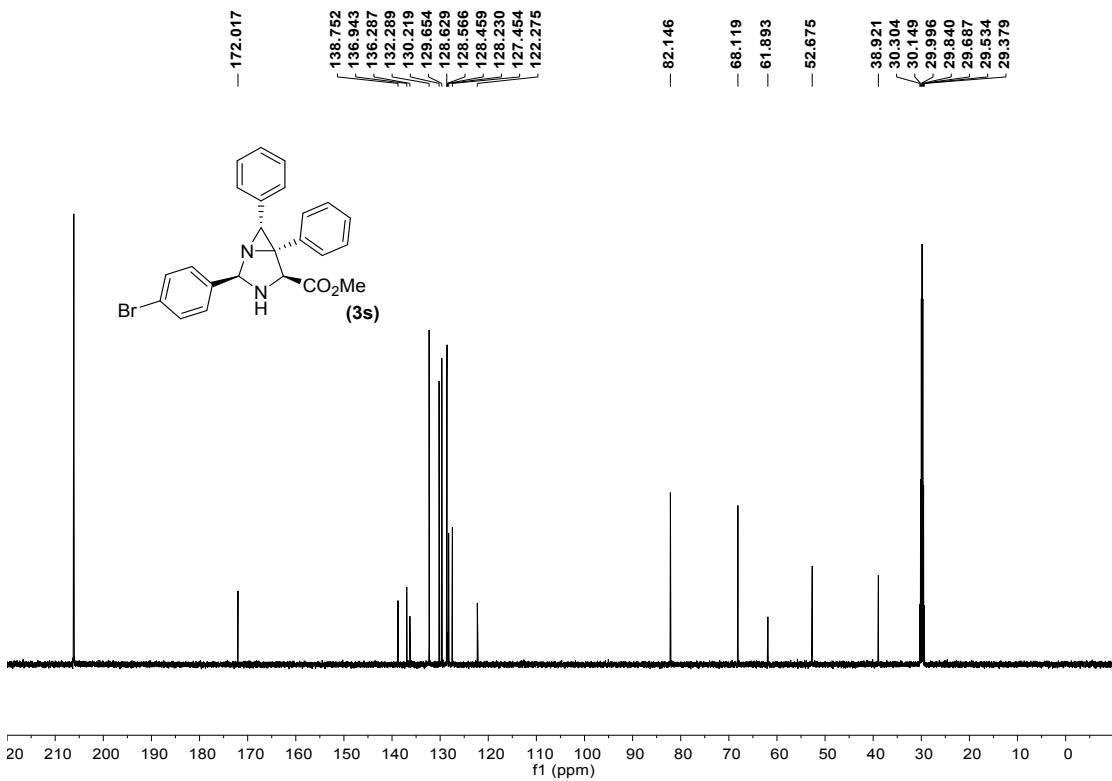
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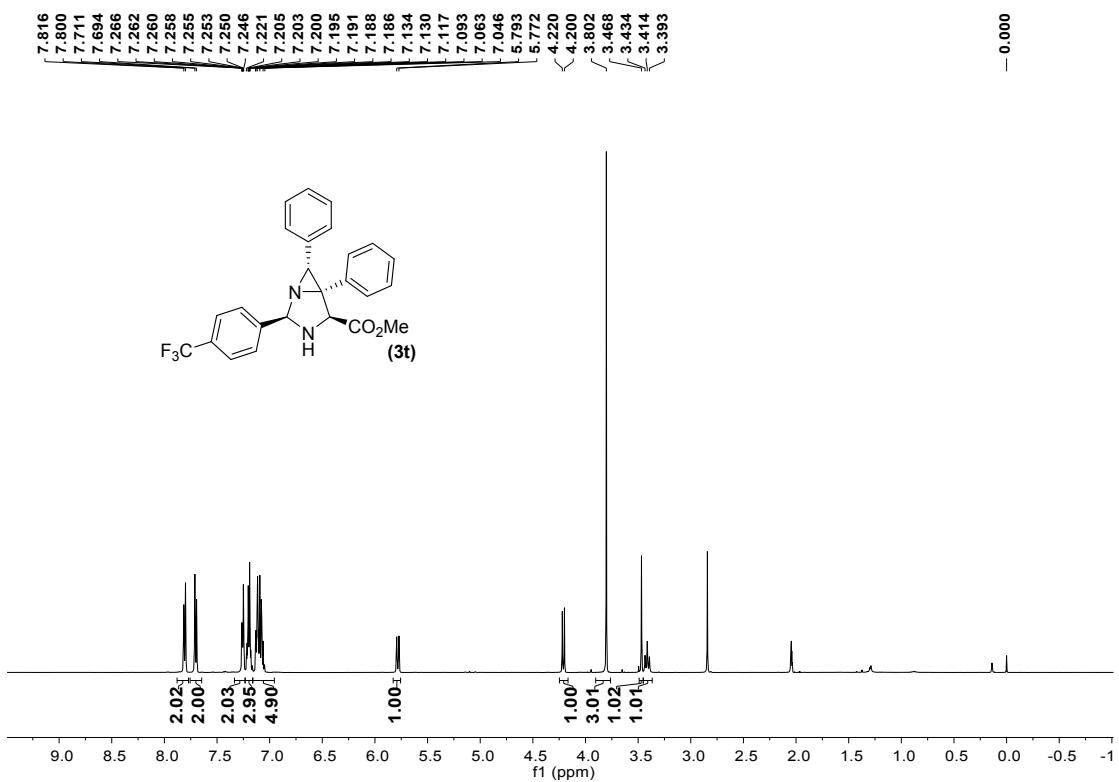
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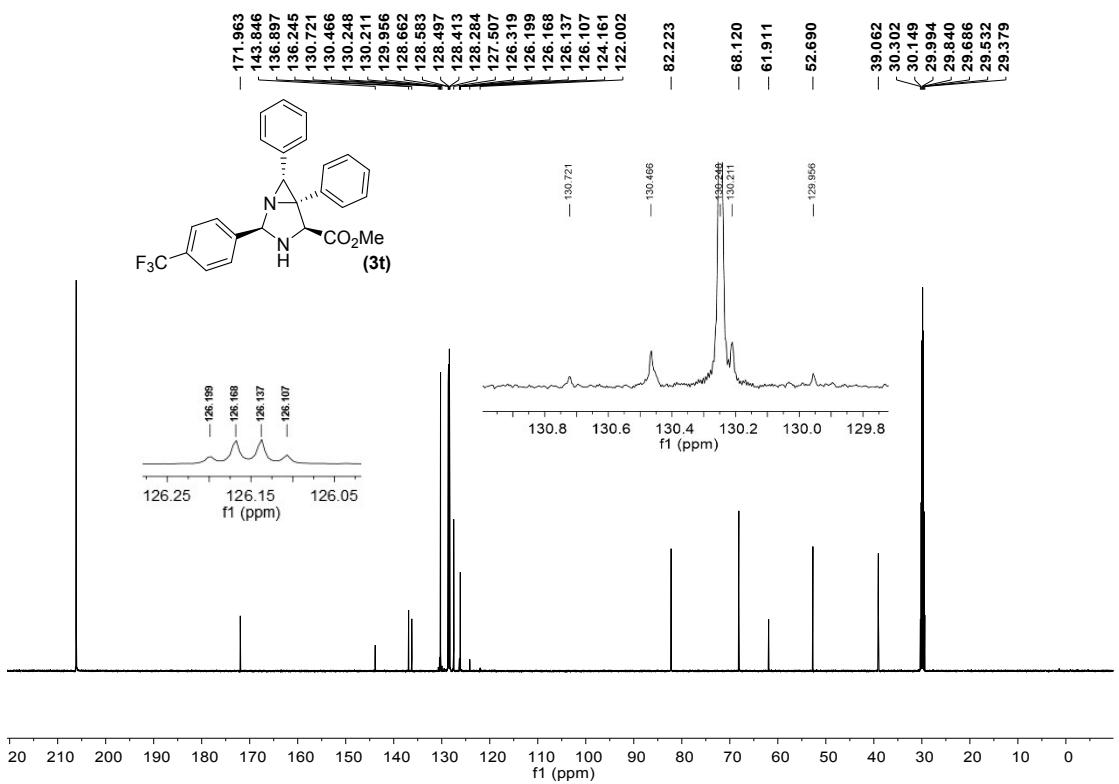
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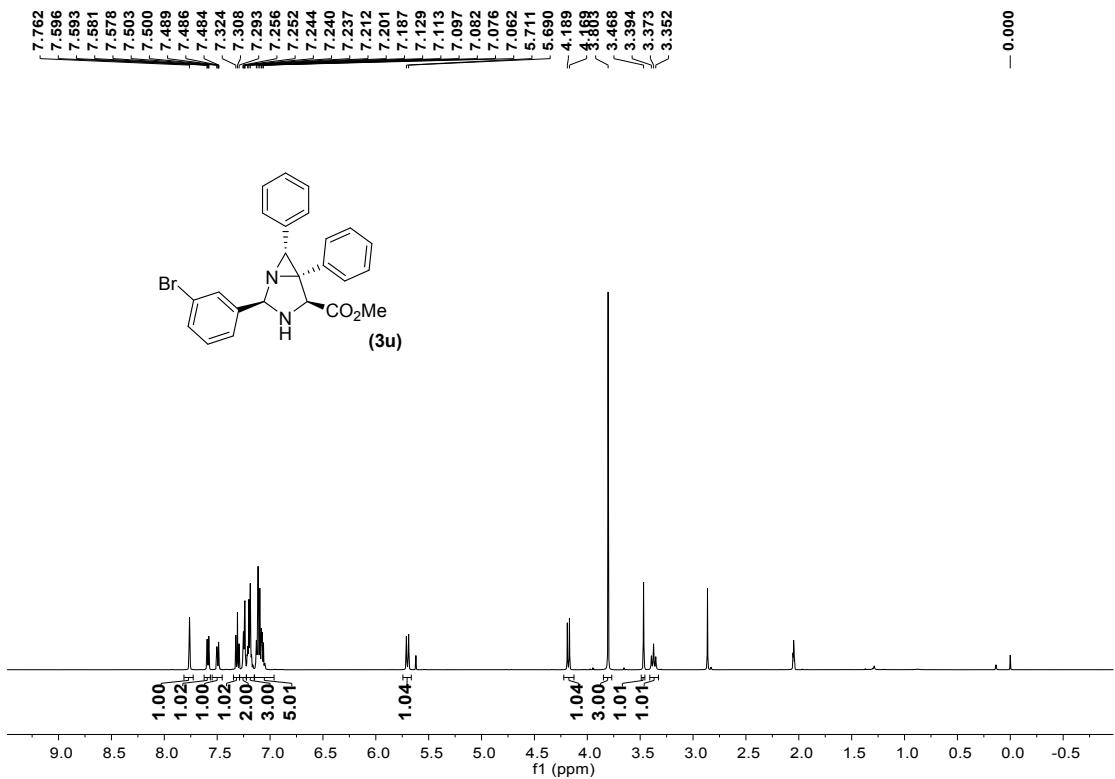
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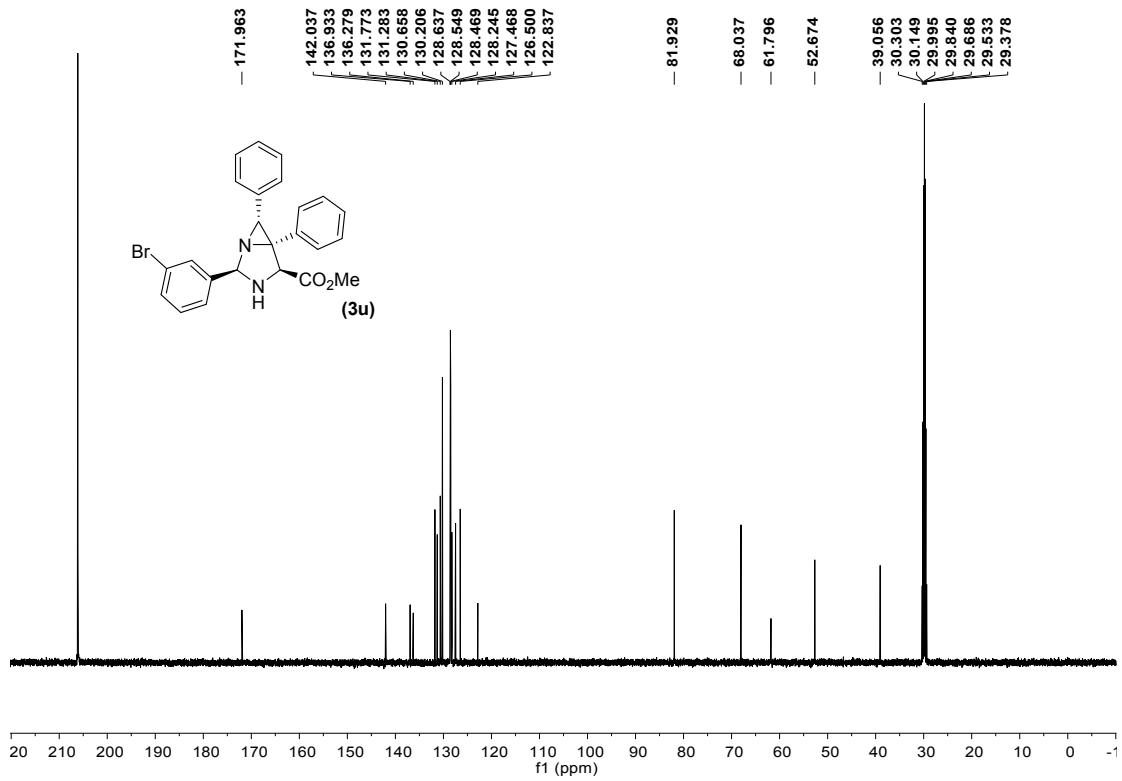
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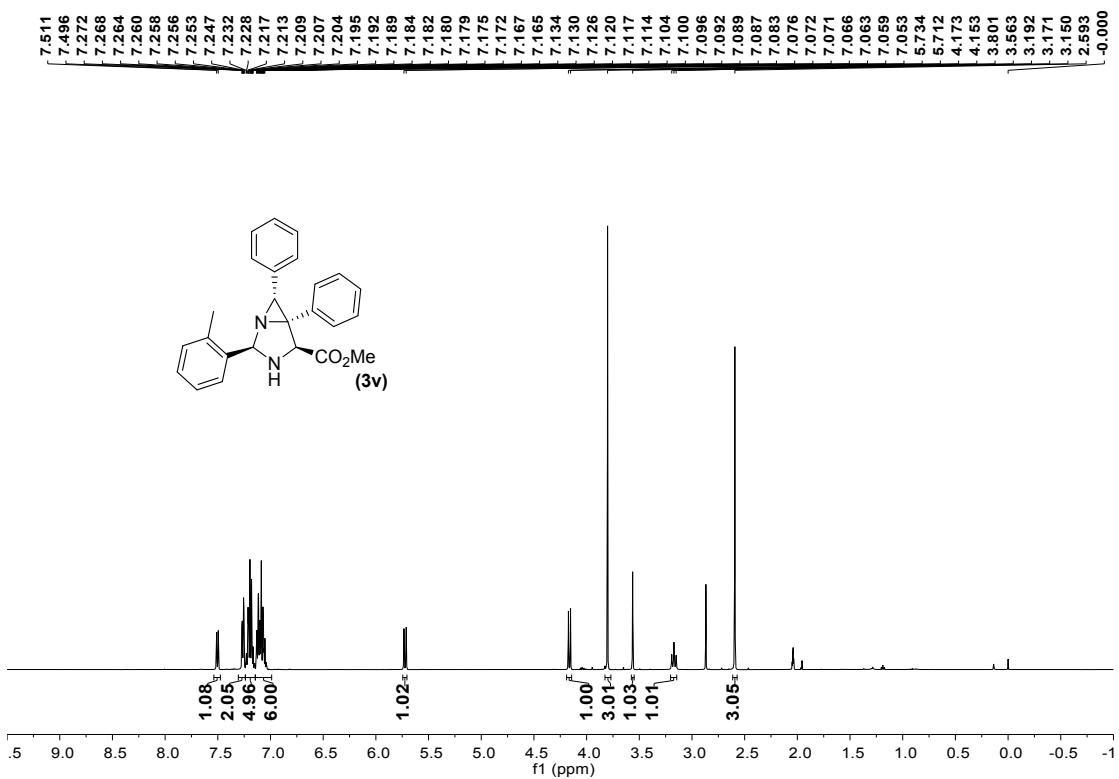
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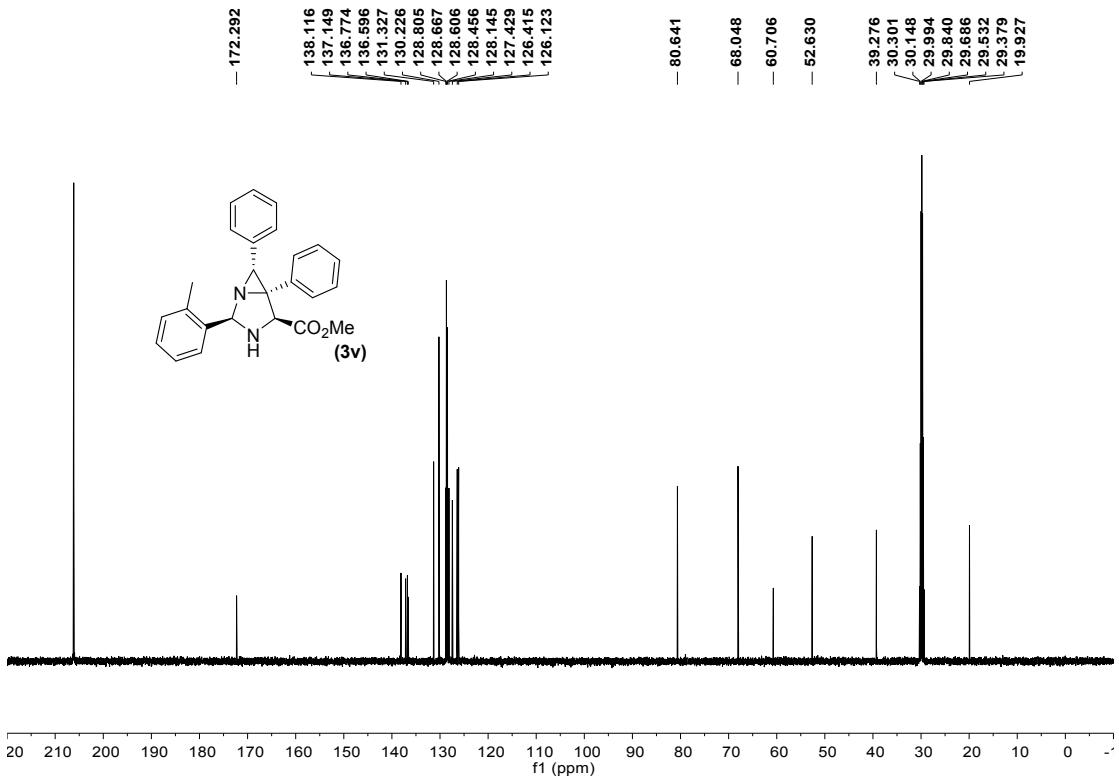
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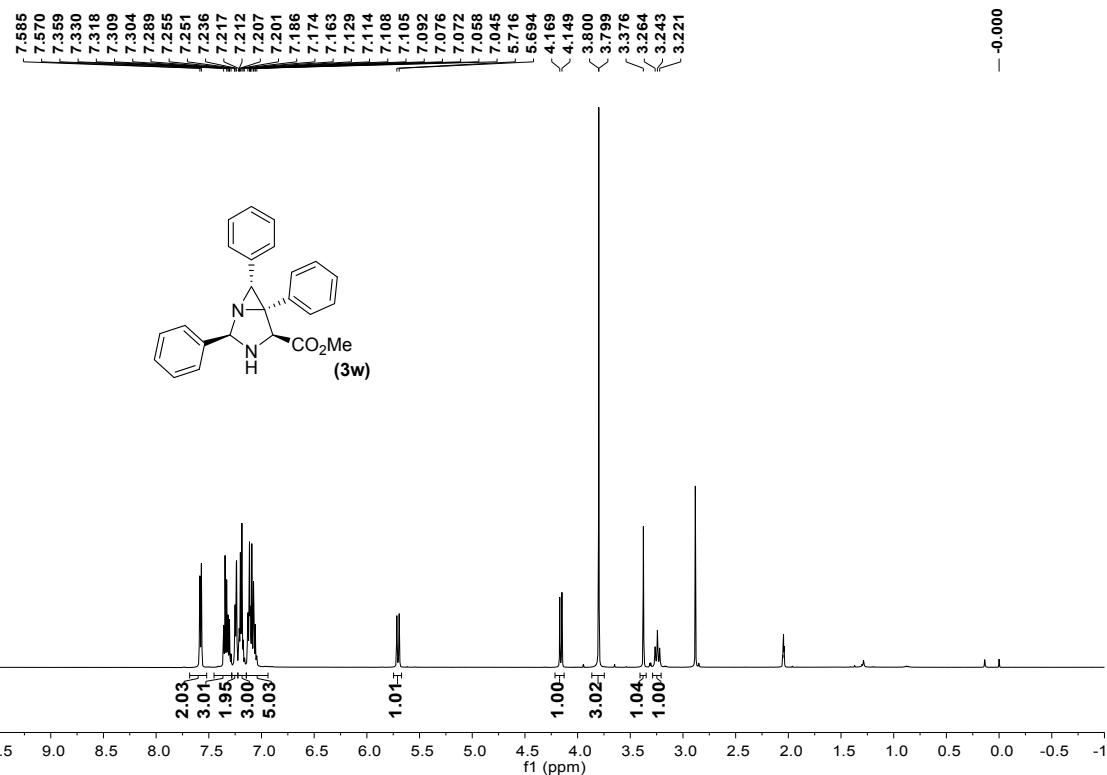
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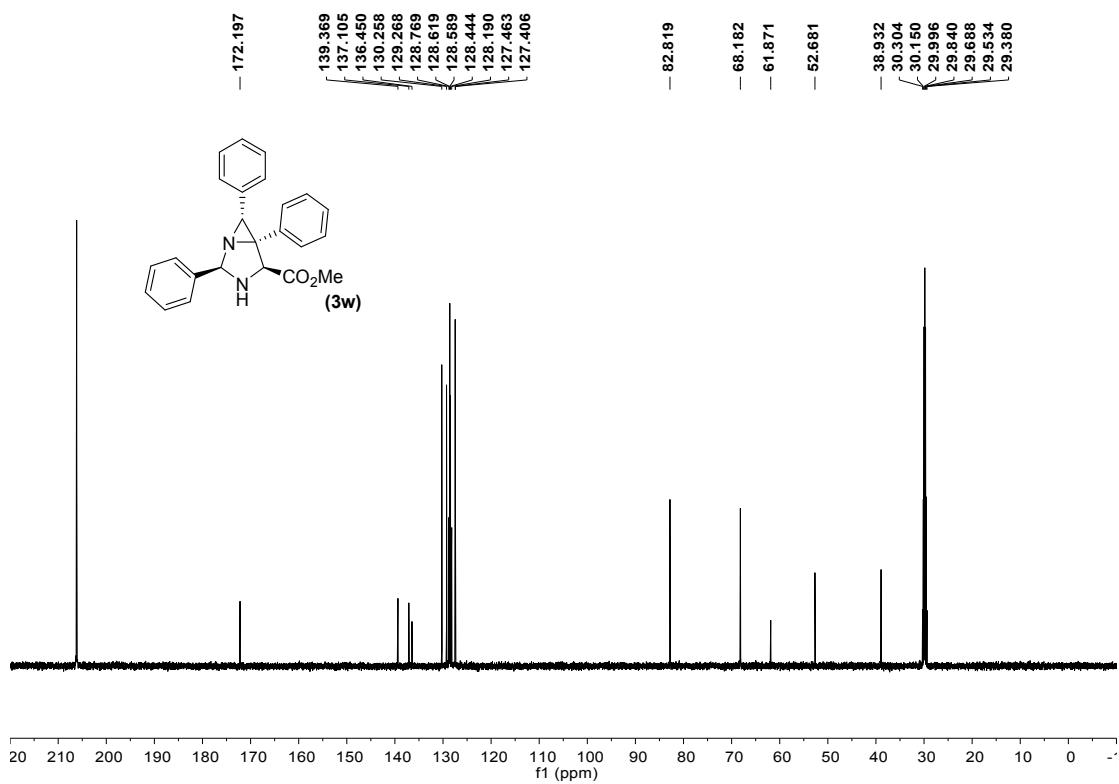
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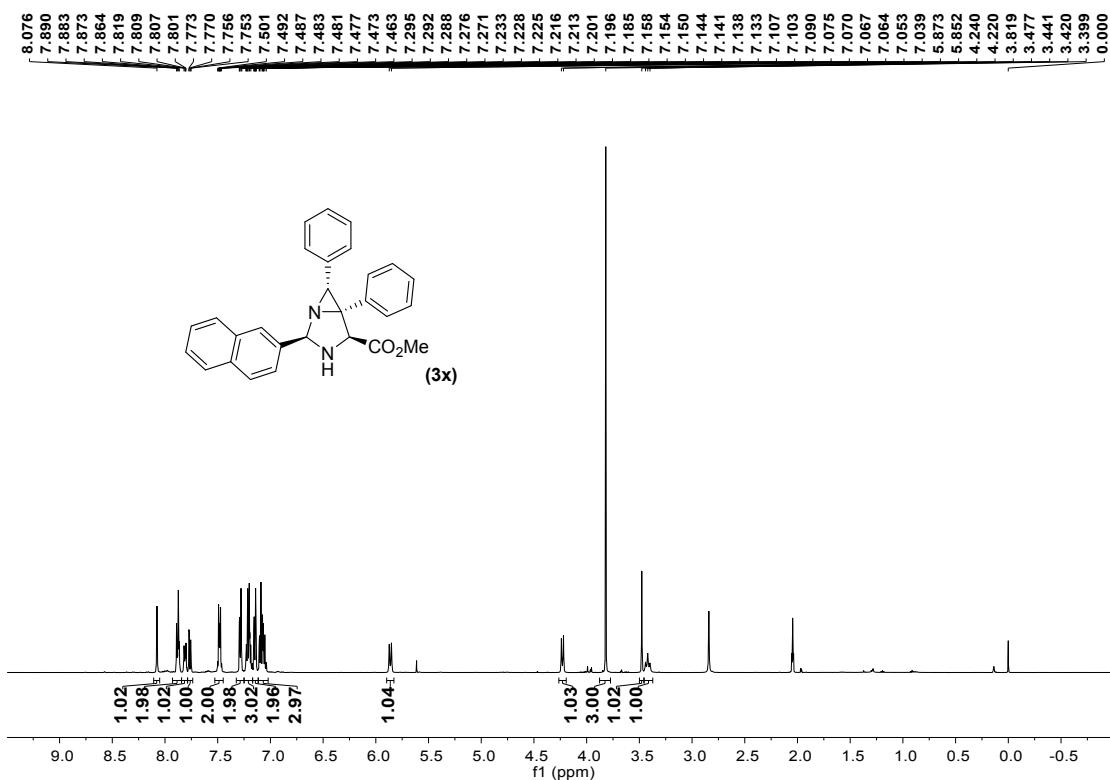
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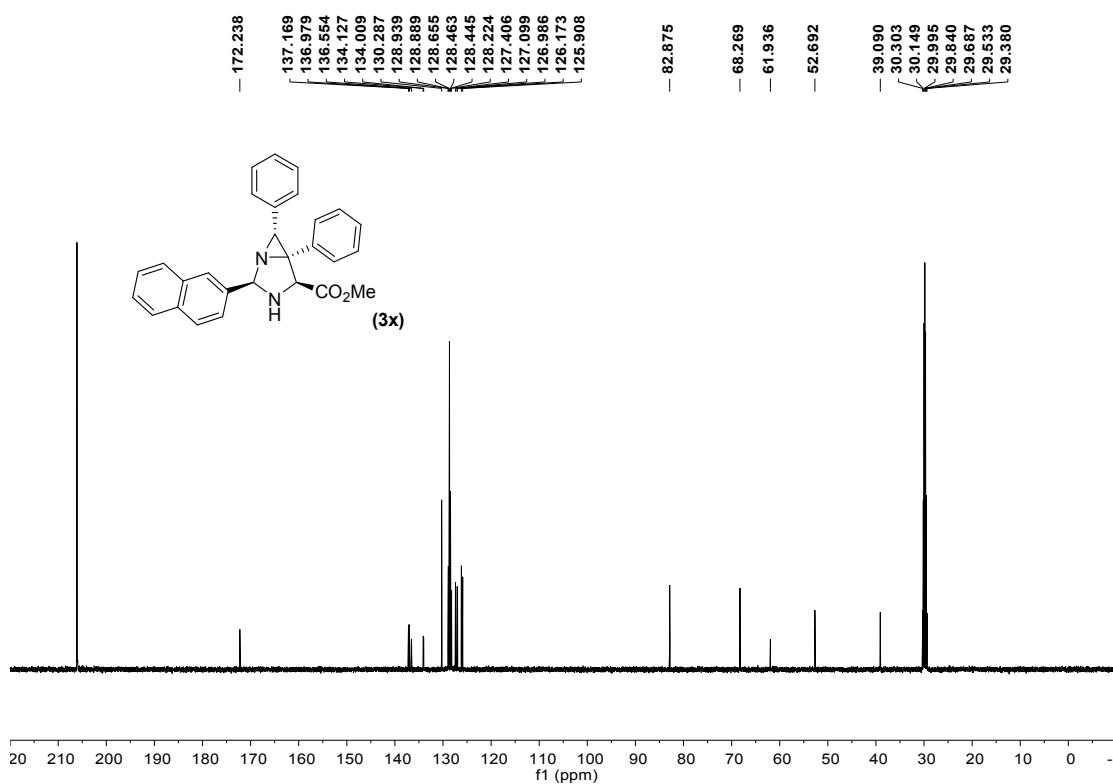
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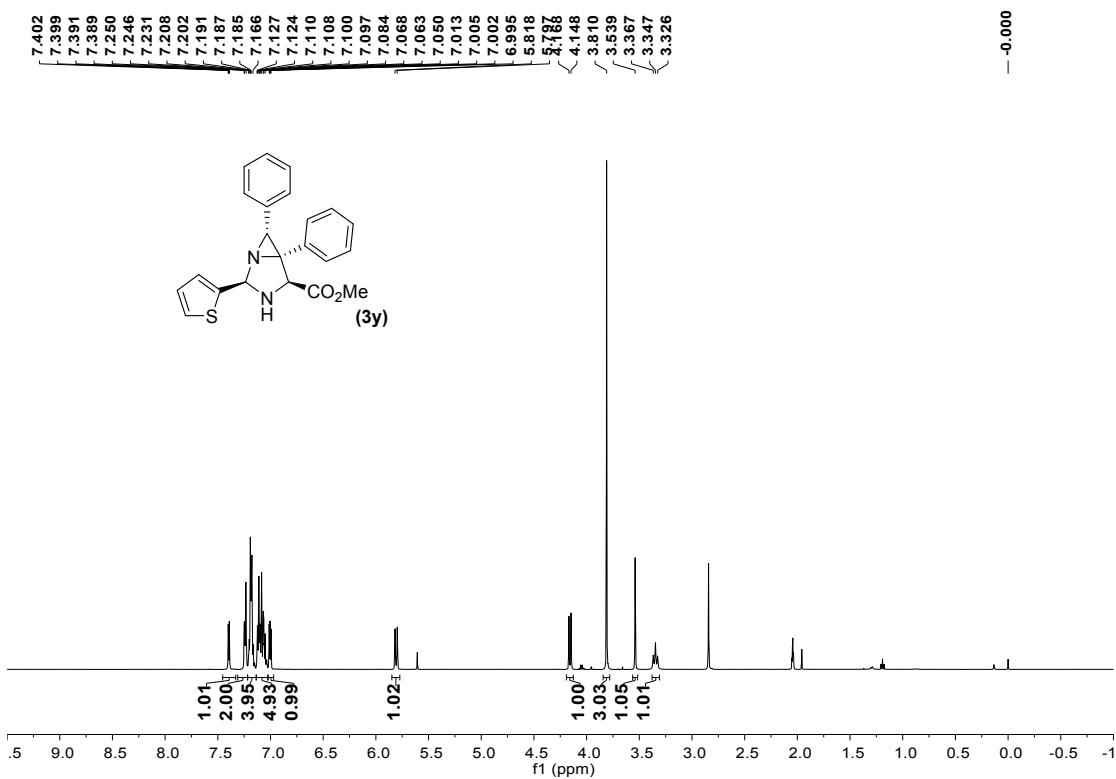
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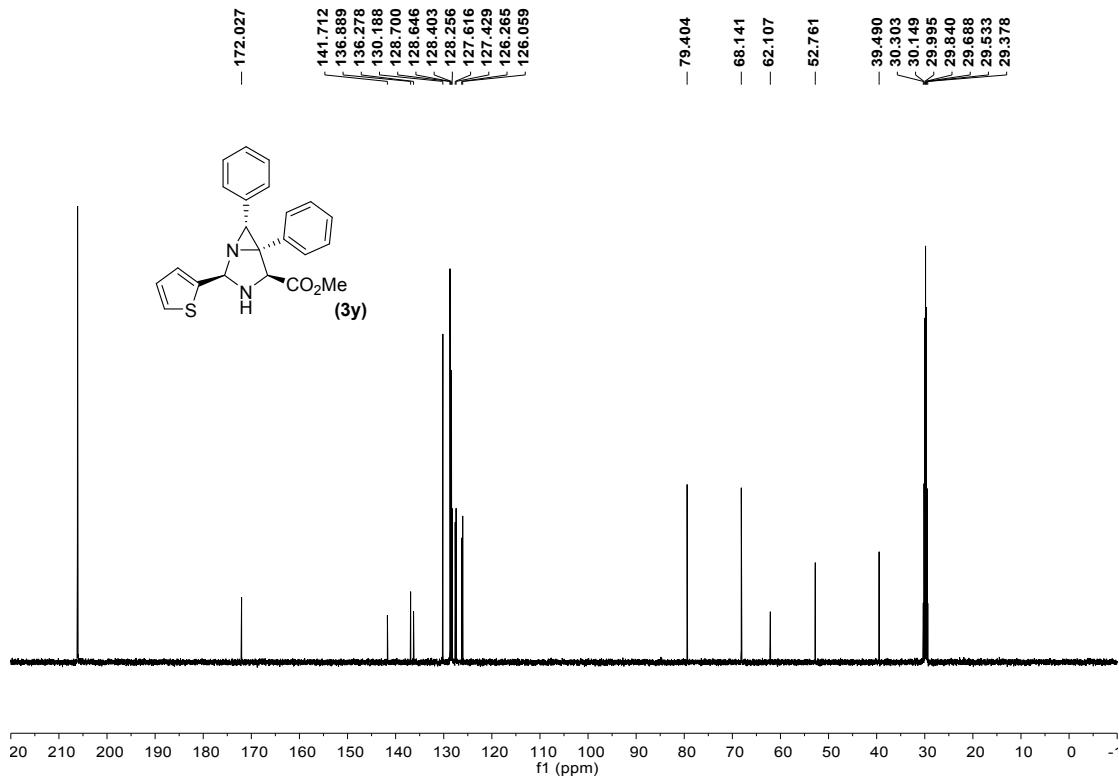
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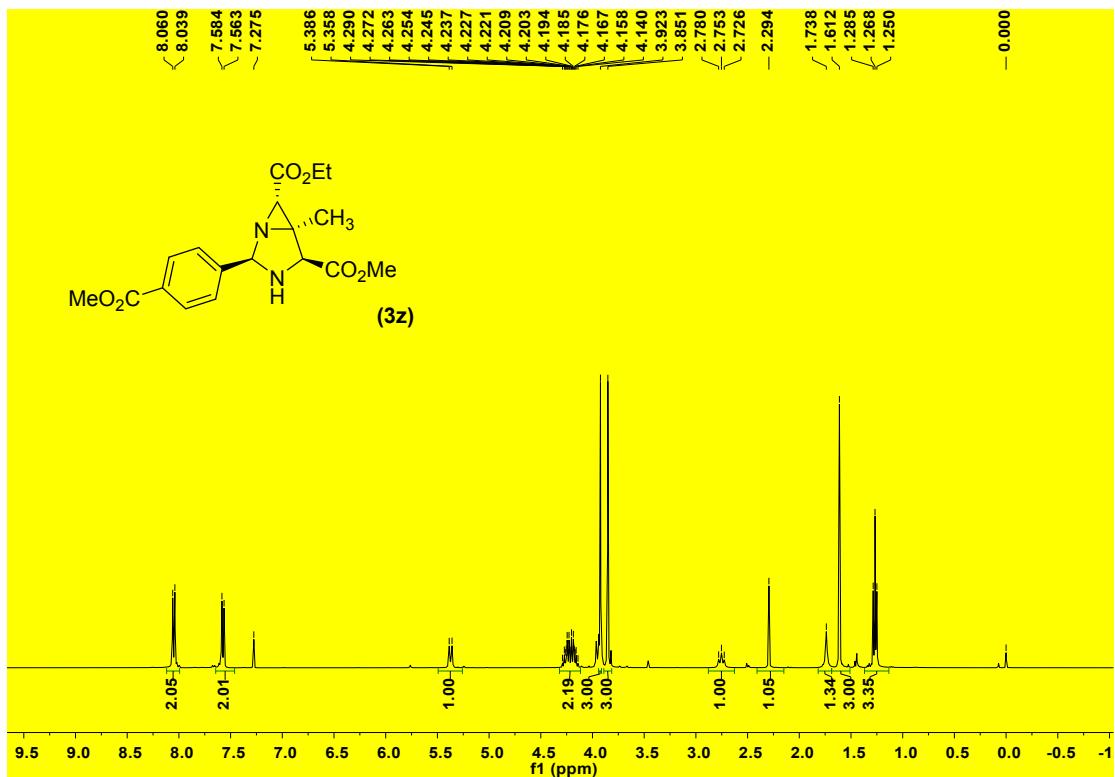
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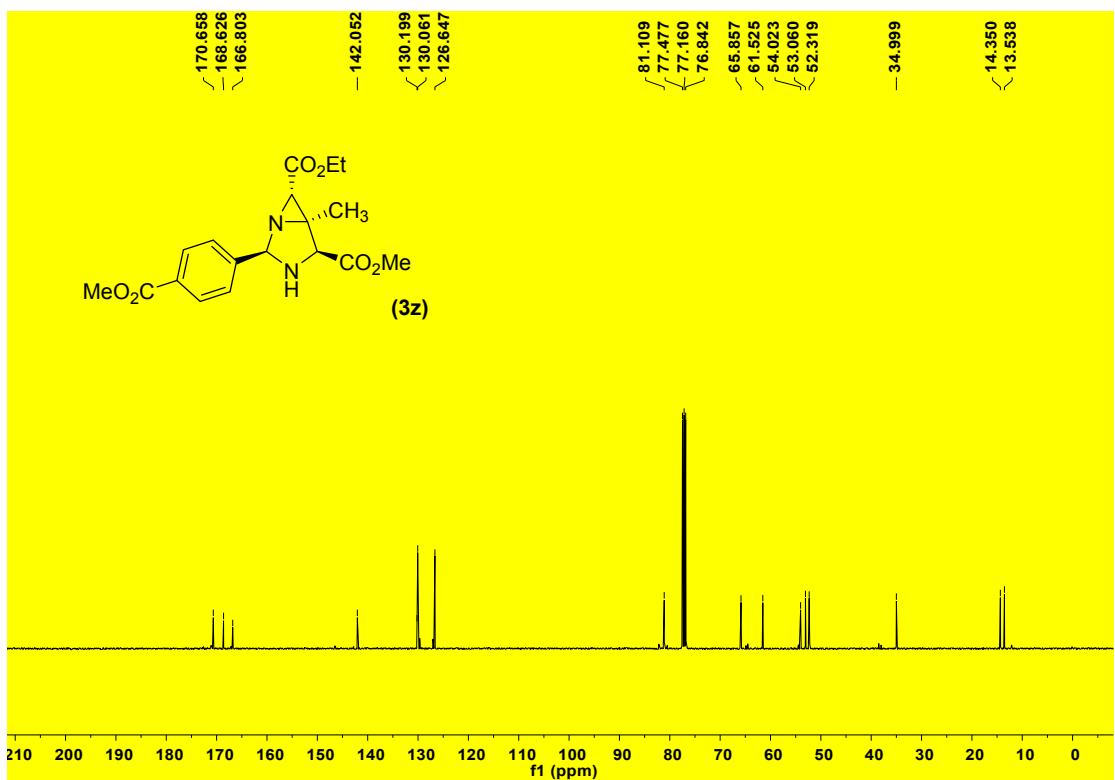
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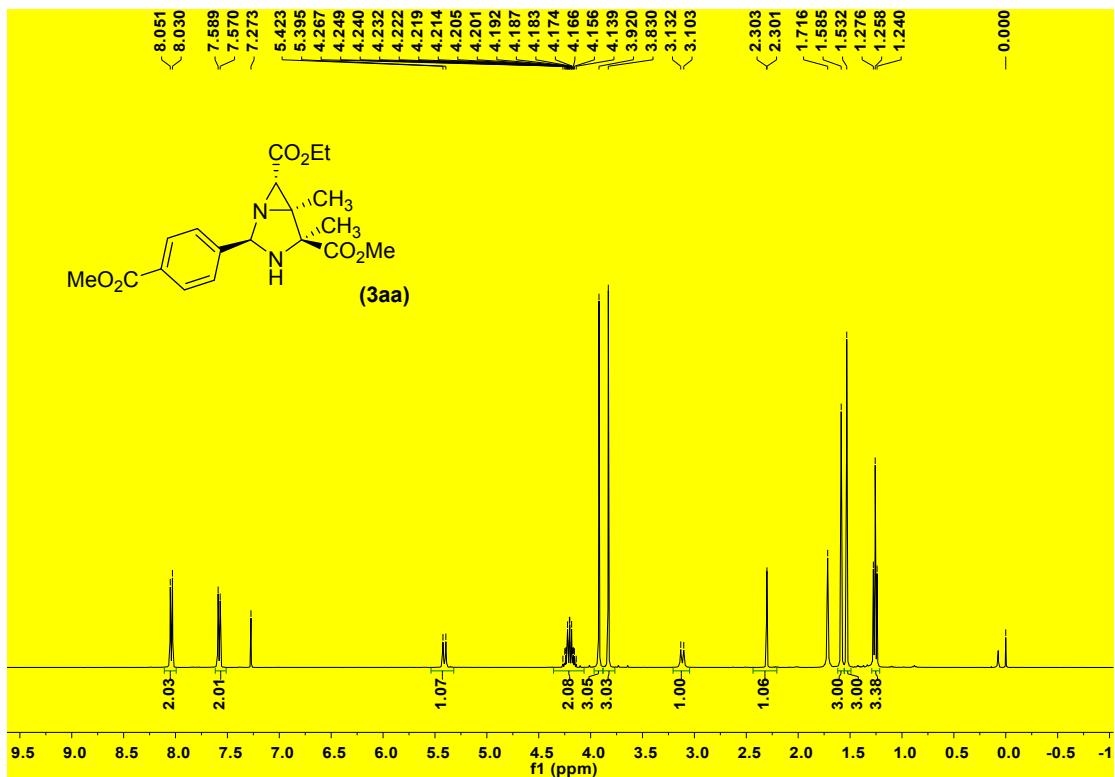
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¹H NMR spectrum of compound **3z** (CDCl_3)



¹H NMR spectrum of compound **3aa** (CDCl_3)



¹³C NMR spectrum of compound 3aa (CDCl_3)

