

Supplementary Information

Functionalisation of esters via 1,3-chelation using NaOtBu: mechanistic investigations and synthetic applications

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General information

Thin-layer chromatography (TLC) was performed on Merck silica gel 60 F254. ^1H NMR spectra were recorded on a Varian at 500 MHz in CDCl_3 (δ 7.26 ppm) or $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ (δ 2.50 ppm), ^{13}C NMR spectral measurements were performed at 126 MHz using CDCl_3 (δ 77.16 ppm) or $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ (δ 39.52 ppm) or Toluene- d_8 (δ 137.86 ppm). High-resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were obtained on an Agilent 6890 Series and a Bruker Compact mass spectrometer. Infrared (IR) spectra were recorded on a VERTEX 70 (Bruker) IR spectrometer in the range of 1000-4000 cm^{-1} . HPLC analyses for the enantiomeric excess (*ee*) were performed on YL 9100 HPLC system using the indicated chiral column (4.6 mm x 0.25 mm) column. Melting Point were checked with a M-560 (BUCHI). ReactIR monitoring was performed with Mettler Toledo ReactIRTM 45m equipped with DS AgX DiCompTM probe. Optical rotation were recorded on JASCO P-2000 polarimeter.

Experimental Procedures

General procedure for the synthesis of *t*-butyl ester 2 [Condition A]

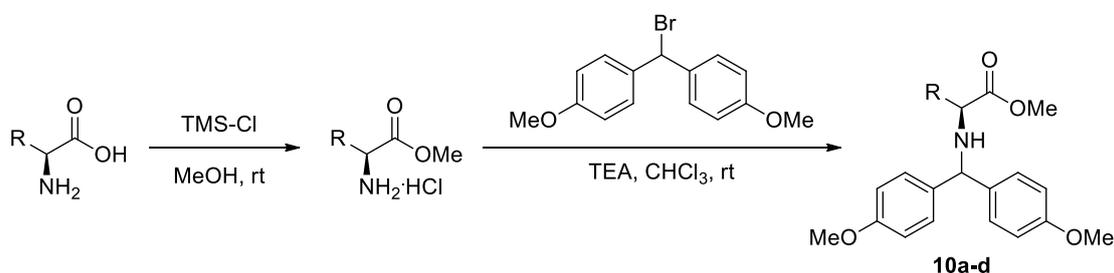
To a stirred suspension of NaOtBu (1.25 mmol, 2.5 equiv.) in toluene (2.5 mL), ester **1** (0.5 mmol) was added. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 3-4 h. The reaction mixture was quenched with 5% HCl solution and extracted with diethyl ether (2×10 mL). The combined organic extracts were dried over Na_2SO_4 , concentrated under reduced pressure, and purified by column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes/EtOAc) to give the corresponding *t*-butyl ester **2**.

General procedure for the synthesis of carboxylic acid 3 [Condition B]

To a stirred solution of NaOtBu (1.25 mmol, 2.5 equiv.) in THF (2.5 mL), ester **1** (0.5 mmol) was added. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 24 h. The reaction mixture was quenched with water and extracted with diethyl ether (2×10 mL). The aqueous solution was treated with 5% HCl solution and extracted with diethyl ether (2×10 mL). The combined organic extracts were dried over Na_2SO_4 and concentrated under reduced pressure to give the corresponding carboxylic acid **3**.

General procedure for the synthesis of *N*-protected amino acid methyl ester [Condition C]

This general procedure is a slight modification of the procedures available in literature.¹⁻³

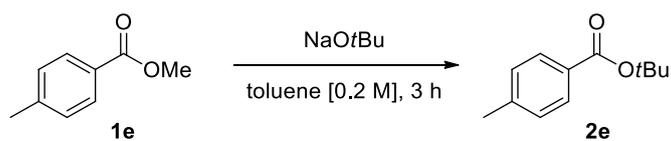


To a stirred solution of L-amino acid (3.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in methanol (3.0 mL), trimethylsilyl chloride (6.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) was added at 0 °C and stirred overnight at room temperature. After the reaction reached completion, the volatiles were removed under reduced pressure, and the crude product was used without any further purification. A suspension of L-amino acid methyl ester hydrochloride (3.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in CHCl_3 (4.5 mL) was treated with triethylamine (6.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) at 0 °C. After 5 min, 4,4'-(bromomethylene)bis(methoxybenzene) (3.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) was added to the

mixture and stirred overnight at room temperature. CHCl_3 (4.5 mL) was added to the mixture, and the resulting solution was washed with water (2×4.5 mL), dried over Na_2SO_4 , and concentrated under reduced pressure, and purified by column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes / EtOAc) to afford *N*-protected amino acid methyl ester **10**.

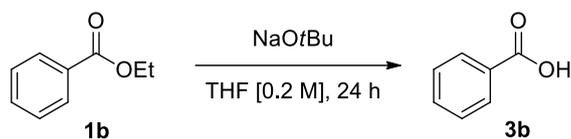
General procedure for the synthesis of *N*-protected amino acid *t*-butyl ester [Condition D]

To a stirred solution of *N*-protected amino acid methyl ester **10** (0.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in CH_2Cl_2 (2.5 mL), NaOtBu solution dissolved in THF (1.35 mmol, 2.7 equiv.) was added slowly at 0 °C. The mixture was stirred, and the reaction was monitored by TLC. After the reaction reached completion, the mixture was quenched with saturated NH_4Cl solution and CH_2Cl_2 (2×10 mL). The combined organic extracts were dried over Na_2SO_4 , and concentrated under reduced pressure, and purified by column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes/EtOAc) to afford *N*-protected amino acid *t*-butyl ester **11**.

Table S1. Equivalent screening for transesterification.

Entry	Equivalent of NaOtBu	Yield (%) ^a
1	2.0	70
2	2.5	88
3	3.0	89

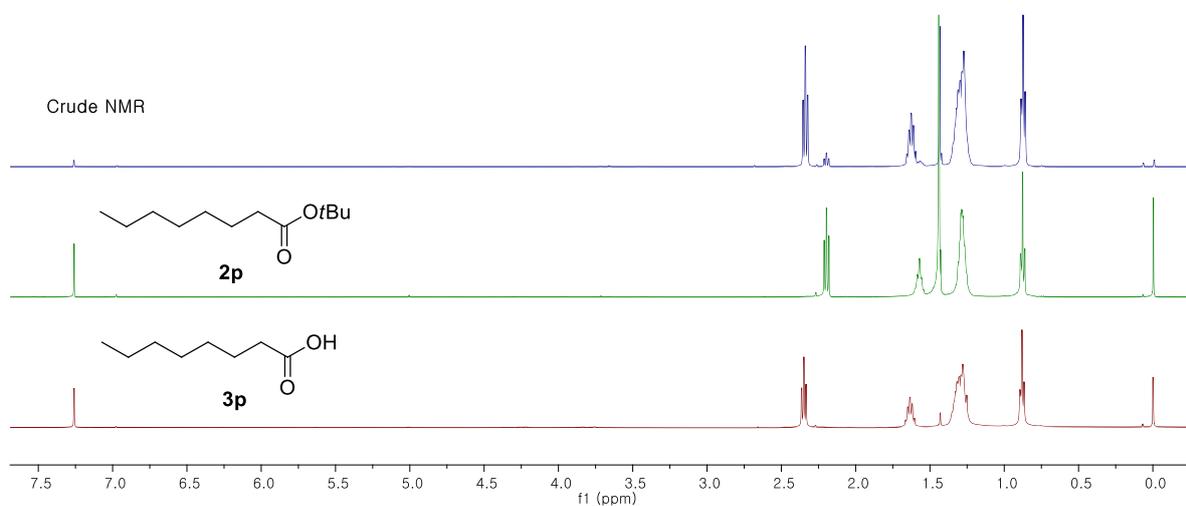
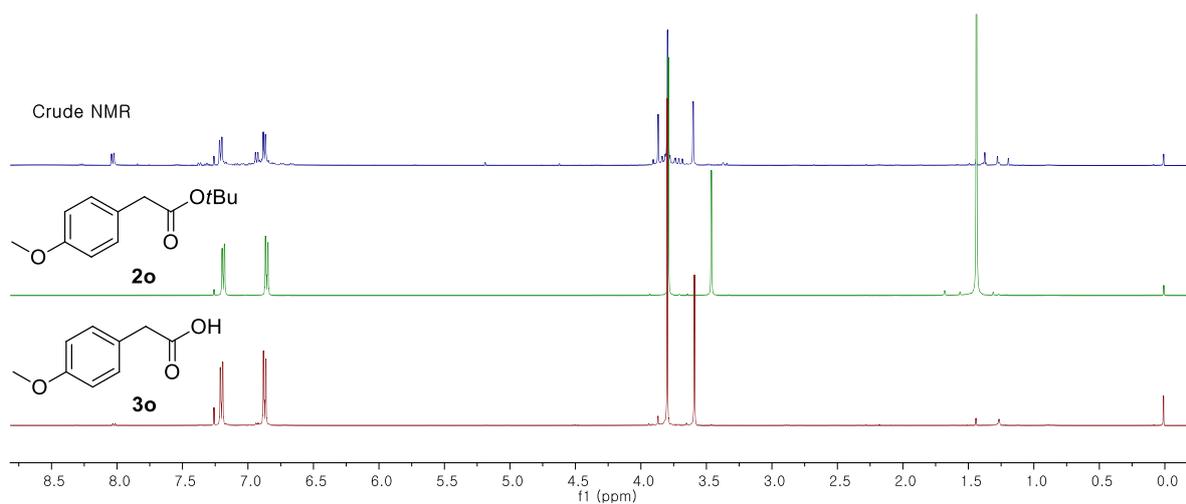
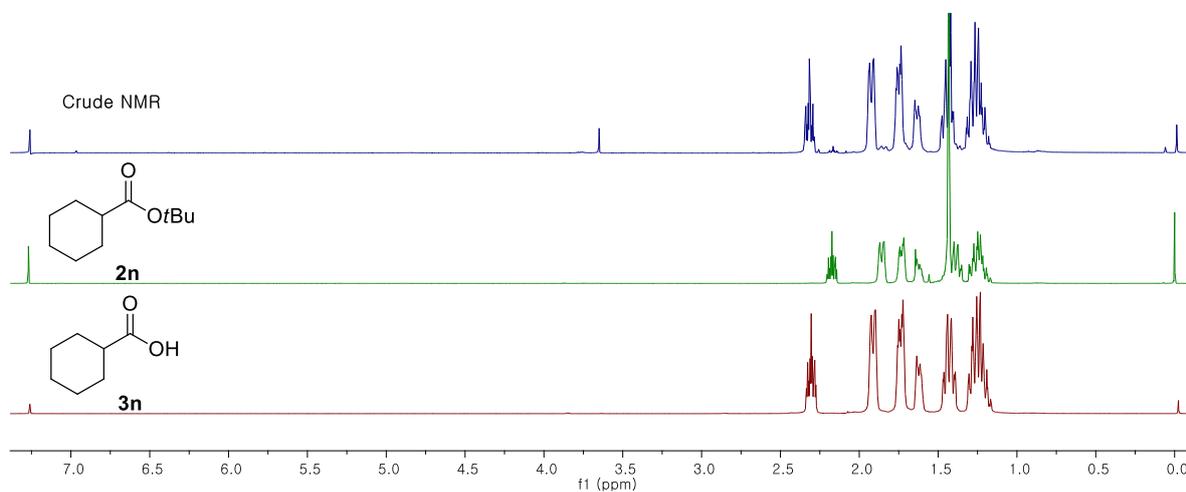
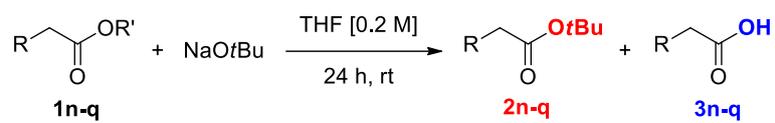
^aAll yields are those of isolated products.

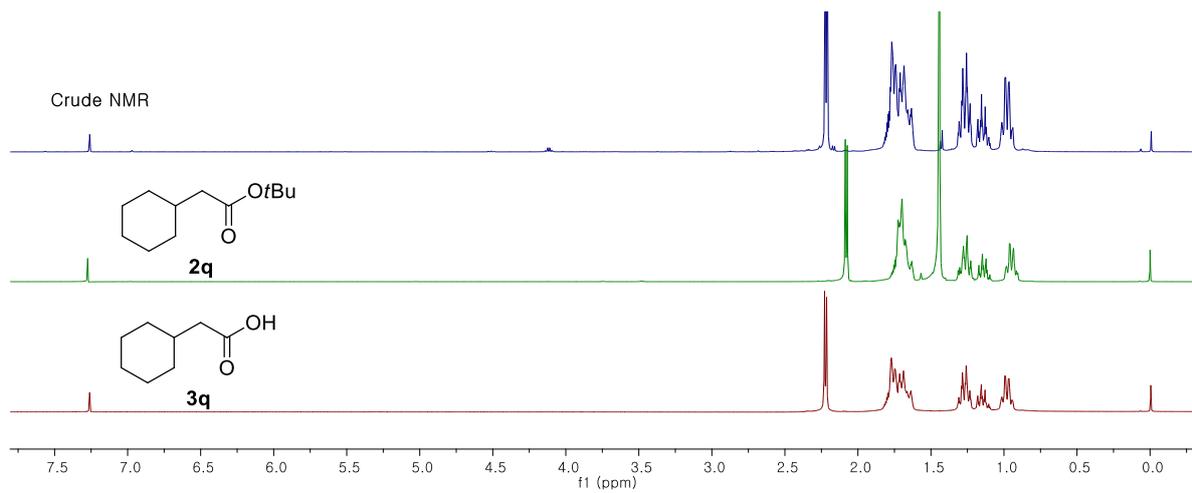
Table S2. Equivalent screening for deesterification.

Entry	Equivalent of NaOtBu	Yield (%) ^a
1	2.0	53
2	2.5	60
3	3.0	36

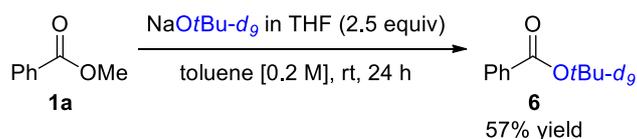
^aAll yields are those of isolated products.

Confirmation of side reaction with enolisable esters





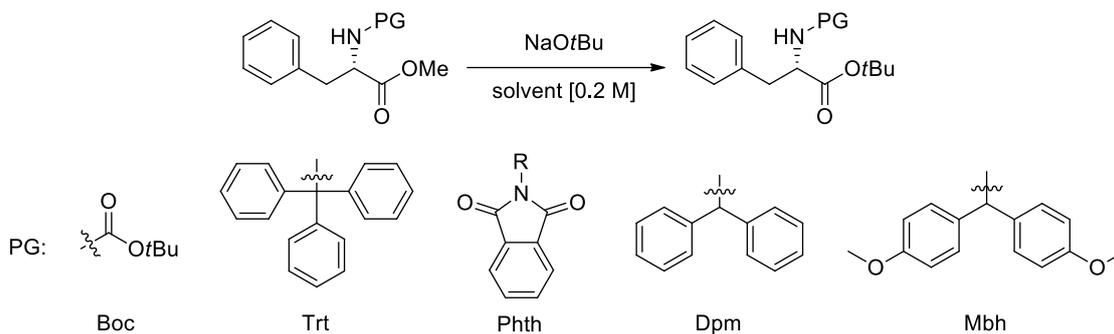
Deuterium-labeling experiment



NaH (60% in mineral oil, 1.25 mmol, 2.5 equiv.) was washed with pentane (3×2 mL) in a 10 mL round bottom flask. Dry THF (0.625 mL) was added with argon and *t*BuOH-*d*₁₀ was slowly added to the mixture. After 5 h at room temperature, toluene (2.5 mL) and methyl benzoate (0.5 mmol) were added, and the reaction mixture was stirred for 24 h. The reaction was quenched with 5% HCl solution and extracted with diethyl ether (2×10 mL). The combined organic extracts were dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated under reduced pressure, and purified by column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes/diethyl ether 25:1) to afford the deuterium-incorporated *t*-butyl ester **6** as colorless liquid (57% yield).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.00 (d, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 2H), 7.54–7.50 (m, 1H), 7.41 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.9, 132.5, 132.2, 129.5, 128.3, 80.7, 27.3 (dt, $J = 38.3, 19.3$ Hz) ppm; HRMS (EI) m/z [M]⁺ calcd. for C₁₁H₅D₉O₂ 187.1559, found 187.1534

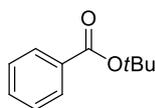
Table S4. Optimisation of the reaction conditions for *N*-protected amino *tert*-butyl esters



Entry	PG	Equiv. of NaOtBu	Solvent	Temp. (°C)	Yield (%) ^a	ee (%) ^b
1	Boc	1.0	toluene	rt	7	0
2	Boc	1.0	toluene	-15	5	9
3	Trt	2.5	toluene	rt-50	n.d	n.d
4	Phth	2.0	toluene	rt	43	0
5	Dpm	2.0	toluene	rt	13	77
6	Mbh	2.0	toluene	rt	33	84
7	Mbh	2.0	THF	rt	28	0
8	Mbh	2.5	<i>p</i> -xylene	rt	42	74
9	Mbh	2.5	cyclohexane	rt	60	41
10	Mbh	2.5	benzene	rt	55	70
11	Mbh	2.5	diethyl ether	rt	41	21
12	Mbh	2.5	DCM	rt	27	92
13	Mbh	2.5	DCM	40	70	73
14	Mbh	2.5 (2 M in THF)	DCM	rt	91	80
15	Mbh	2.0 (2 M in THF)	DCM	rt	71	87
16	Mbh	2.5 (2 M in THF)	DCM	0	84	92
17	Mbh	2.7 (2 M in THF)	DCM	0	86	94

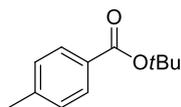
^aAll yields are those of isolated products. ^bThe enantiomeric excess (*ee*) was determined by HPLC analysis.

Analytical data of products



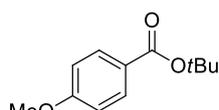
2a-2d

tert-Butyl benzoate (2a-2d), The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure A. Colorless liquid; Yield = 37-99%; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.00 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 1.3 Hz, 2H), 7.56–7.49 (m, 1H), 7.45–7.38 (m, 2H), 1.60 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.9, 132.5, 132.2, 129.5, 128.3, 81.1, 28.3 ppm. These data were consistent with those reported in the literature.⁴



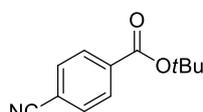
2e

tert-Butyl 4-methylbenzoate (2e), The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure A. Colorless liquid; Yield = 88%; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.89 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.20 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.39 (s, 3H), 1.59 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.9, 143.0, 129.5, 129.4, 128.9, 80.7, 28.3, 21.7 ppm. These data were consistent with those reported in the literature.⁴



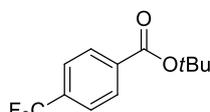
2f

tert-Butyl 4-methoxybenzoate (2f), The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure A. Colorless liquid; Yield = 88%; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.01–7.89 (m, 2H), 6.95–6.84 (m, 2H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 1.58 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.7, 163.1, 131.5, 124.6, 113.5, 80.6, 55.5, 28.4 ppm. These data were consistent with those reported in the literature.⁴



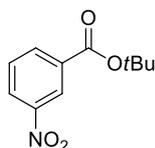
2g

tert-Butyl 4-cyanobenzoate (2g), The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure A. Colorless liquid; Yield = 99%; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.17–7.91 (m, 2H), 7.84–7.57 (m, 2H), 1.58 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 164.0, 135.9, 132.1, 129.9, 118.2, 115.9, 82.4, 28.0 ppm. These data were consistent with those reported in the literature.⁵



2h

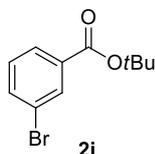
tert-Butyl 4-(trifluoromethyl)benzoate (2h), The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure A. Colorless liquid; Yield = 98%; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.09 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.67 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 1.61 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 164.6, 135.4, 134.1 (q, *J*_{C-F} = 32.5 Hz), 129.9, 125.3 (q, *J*_{C-F} = 3.7 Hz), 123.9 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 272.6 Hz); ¹⁹F NMR (471 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -63.1 ppm. These data were consistent with those reported in the literature.⁶



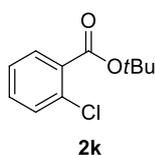
2i

tert-Butyl 3-nitrobenzoate (2i), The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure A. Yellow solid; Yield = 62%; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.81–8.73 (m, 1H), 8.36 (ddd,

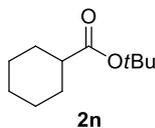
$J = 8.2, 2.2, 1.0$ Hz, 1H), 8.30 (dt, $J = 7.7, 1.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.61 (t, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 1.62 (s, 9H); ^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 163.6, 148.3, 135.3, 133.9, 129.5, 127.0, 124.5, 82.7, 28.2 ppm. These data were consistent with those reported in the literature.⁷



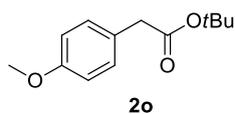
tert-Butyl 3-bromobenzoate (2j), The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure A. Colorless liquid; Yield = 97%; ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.11 (t, $J = 1.7$ Hz, 1H), 8.01 – 7.83 (m, 1H), 7.63 (ddd, $J = 8.0, 2.0, 1.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.28 (t, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 1H), 1.59 (s, 9H); ^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 164.4, 135.4, 134.1, 132.5, 129.8, 128.1, 122.4, 81.8, 28.2 ppm. These data were consistent with those reported in the literature.⁴



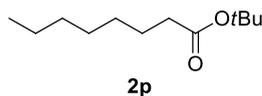
tert-Butyl 2-chlorobenzoate (2k), The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure A. Colorless liquid; Yield = 95%; ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.72 (dd, $J = 7.7, 1.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.38 (dtd, $J = 9.5, 8.0, 1.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.28 (dd, $J = 10.6, 4.2$ Hz, 1H), 1.61 (s, 9H); ^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 165.3, 133.1, 132.3, 131.9, 131.0, 130.9, 126.6, 82.5, 28.3 ppm. These data were consistent with those reported in the literature.⁸



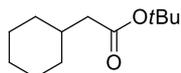
tert-Butyl cyclohexanecarboxylate (2n), The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure A. Colorless liquid; Yield = 92%; ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 2.16 (tt, $J = 11.2, 3.6$ Hz, 1H), 1.91–1.80 (m, 2H), 1.77–1.68 (m, 2H), 1.66–1.57 (m, 1H), 1.44 (s, 9H), 1.42–1.32 (m, 2H), 1.31–1.14 (m, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 175.8, 79.7, 44.3, 29.2, 28.2, 26.0, 25.6 ppm. These data were consistent with those reported in the literature.⁴



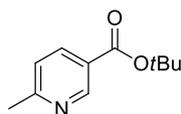
tert-Butyl 2-(4-methoxyphenyl)acetate (2o), The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure A. Colorless liquid; Yield = 61%; ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.19 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 2H), 6.86 (d, $J = 8.6$ Hz, 2H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.46 (s, 2H), 1.44 (s, 9H); ^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 171.4, 158.7, 130.3, 127.0, 114.0, 80.8, 55.3, 41.8, 28.2 ppm. These data were consistent with those reported in the literature.⁹



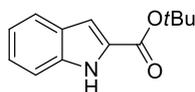
tert-Butyl octanoate (2p), The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure A. Yellow liquid; Yield = 99%; ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 2.20 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 1.61–1.53 (m, 2H), 1.44 (s, 9H), 1.34–1.23 (m, 8H), 0.88 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 173.5, 80.0, 35.8, 31.8, 29.2, 29.1, 28.3, 25.3, 22.8, 14.2 ppm. These data were consistent with those reported in the literature.¹⁰



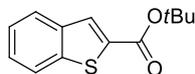
2q **tert-Butyl 2-cyclohexylacetate (2q)**, The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure A. Colorless liquid; Yield = 95%; $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 2.07 (d, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 2H), 1.79–1.60 (m, 6H), 1.43 (s, 9H), 1.32–1.07 (m, 3H), 1.02–0.87 (m, 2H); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 172.8, 80.0, 43.6, 35.2, 33.1, 28.3, 26.4, 26.2 ppm; HRMS (FAB) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd. for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{23}\text{O}_2$ 199.1698, found 199.1698



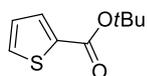
2r **tert-Butyl 6-methylnicotinate (2r)**, The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure A. Yellow liquid; Yield = 88%; $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 9.02 (d, $J = 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 8.08 (dd, $J = 8.1, 2.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.17 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 1H), 2.58 (s, 3H), 1.57 (s, 9H); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 164.7, 162.6, 150.5, 137.2, 125.1, 122.8, 81.8, 28.3, 24.8 ppm; HRMS (FAB) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd. for $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{16}\text{NO}_2$ 194.1181, found 194.1183



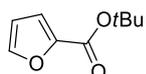
2s **tert-Butyl 1H-indole-2-carboxylate (2s)**, The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure A. White solid; Yield = 45%; $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.89 (s, 1H), 7.68 (dd, $J = 8.0, 0.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.42 (dd, $J = 8.3, 0.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.34–7.28 (m, 1H), 7.19–7.10 (m, 2H), 1.63 (s, 9H); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 161.6, 136.8, 129.1, 127.7, 125.2, 122.6, 120.7, 112.0, 108.3, 81.9, 28.5 ppm. These data were consistent with those reported in the literature.¹¹



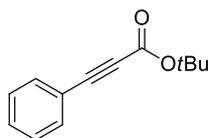
2t **tert-Butyl benzo[*b*]thiophene-2-carboxylate (2t)**, The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure A. Colorless liquid; Yield = 98%; $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.97 (s, 1H), 7.90–7.80 (m, 2H), 7.47–7.34 (m, 2H), 1.63 (s, 9H); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 162.1, 142.2, 138.9, 135.9, 129.8, 126.7, 125.4, 124.8, 122.8, 82.4, 28.3 ppm. These data were consistent with those reported in the literature.¹²



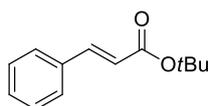
2u **tert-Butyl thiophene-2-carboxylate (2u)**, The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure A. Colorless liquid; Yield = 95%; $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.71 (dd, $J = 3.7, 1.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.48 (dd, $J = 5.0, 1.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.05 (dd, $J = 5.0, 3.7$ Hz, 1H), 1.57 (s, 9H); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 161.6, 136.1, 132.8, 131.7, 127.6, 81.8, 28.3 ppm. These data were consistent with those reported in the literature.⁵



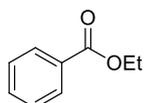
2v **tert-Butyl furan-2-carboxylate (2v)**, The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure A. Colorless liquid; Yield = 98%; $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.56–7.48 (m, 1H), 7.05 (d, $J = 3.5$ Hz, 1H), 6.45 (dd, $J = 3.4, 1.7$ Hz, 1H), 1.56 (s, 9H); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 158.2, 146.0, 145.8, 117.0, 111.7, 82.0, 28.3 ppm. These data were consistent with those reported in the literature.⁴



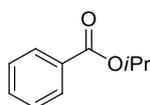
2w *tert*-Butyl 3-phenylpropiolate (**2w**), The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure A. Pale yellow liquid; Yield = 92%; ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.60–7.53 (m, 2H), 7.45–7.39 (m, 1H), 7.38–7.32 (m, 2H), 1.54 (s, 9H); ^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 153.2, 133.0, 130.4, 128.6, 120.1, 83.8, 83.6, 82.2, 28.2 ppm. These data were consistent with those reported in the literature.⁴



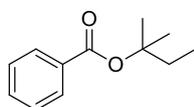
2x *tert*-Butyl *trans*-cinnamate (**2x**), The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure A. Colorless liquid; Yield = 95%; ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.60 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 7.55–7.46 (m, 2H), 7.42–7.31 (m, 3H), 6.38 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 1.54 (s, 9H); ^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.4, 143.6, 134.8, 130.0, 128.9, 128.0, 120.3, 80.5, 28.3 ppm. These data were consistent with those reported in the literature.⁴



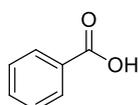
2'a Ethyl benzoate (**2'a**), The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure A. Colorless liquid; Yield = 68%; ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.05 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.53 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.42 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 4.37 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 1.39 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.7, 132.8, 130.6, 129.6, 128.4, 61.0, 14.4 ppm. These data were consistent with those reported in the literature.¹³



2'b Isopropyl benzoate (**2'b**), The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure A. Colorless liquid; Yield = 78%; ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.04 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.54 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 5.33 – 5.18 (m, 1H), 1.37 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 6H); ^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.3, 132.8, 131.1, 129.6, 128.4, 68.5, 22.1 ppm. These data were consistent with those reported in the literature.¹⁴

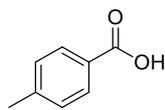


2'c *tert*-Pentyl benzoate (**2'c**), The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure A. Colorless liquid; Yield = 99%; ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.00 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.52 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 1.93 (q, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 1.57 (s, 6H), 0.98 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 165.8, 132.5, 132.2, 129.5, 128.3, 83.5, 33.9, 25.8, 8.4 ppm. These data were consistent with those reported in the literature.¹⁵

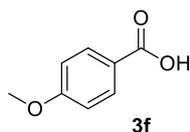


3a-3d Benzoic acid (**3a-3d**), The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure B. White solid; Yield = 60-99%; ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 12.76 (s, 1H), 8.20–8.08 (m, 2H), 7.68–7.59 (m, 1H), 7.49 (dd, J = 10.8, 4.9 Hz, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 172.7, 134.0, 130.4, 129.5,

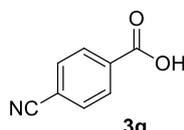
128.6 ppm. These data were consistent with those reported in the literature.¹⁶



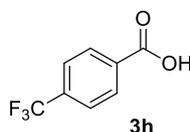
3e 4-Methylbenzoic acid (3e), The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure B. White solid; Yield = 80%; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.01 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.28 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.44 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 172.4, 144.8, 130.4, 129.4, 126.7, 21.9 ppm. These data were consistent with those reported in the literature.¹⁷



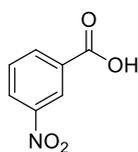
3f 4-Methoxybenzoic acid (3f), The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure B. White solid; Yield = 62%; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 12.61 (s, 1H), 7.89 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.01 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 3.82 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 167.0, 162.8, 131.3, 123.0, 113.8, 55.4 ppm. These data were consistent with those reported in the literature.¹⁷



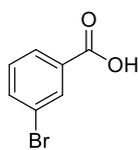
3g 4-Cyanobenzoic acid (3g), The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure B. White solid; Yield = 80%; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 13.54 (s, 1H), 8.06 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.94 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.1, 134.9, 132.7, 130.0, 118.2, 115.1 ppm. These data were consistent with those reported in the literature.¹⁸



3h 4-(Trifluoromethyl)benzoic acid (3h), The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure B. White solid; Yield = 88%; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, Acetone-*d*₆) δ 11.71 (s, 1H), 8.24 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.88 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, Acetone-*d*₆) δ 166.5, 135.2, 134.5 (q, *J*_{C-F} = 32.3 Hz), 131.2, 126.4 (q, *J*_{C-F} = 3.8 Hz), 124.9 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 271.9 Hz); ¹⁹F NMR (471 MHz, Acetone-*d*₆) δ -63.6 ppm. These data were consistent with those reported in the literature.¹⁹

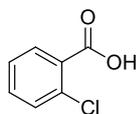


3i 3-Nitrobenzoic acid (3i), The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure B. White solid; Yield = 86%; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.02–8.92 (m, 1H), 8.56–8.42 (m, 2H), 7.73 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.0, 148.5, 136.0, 131.0, 130.1, 128.5, 125.4 ppm. These data were consistent with those reported in the literature.²⁰

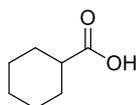


3j 3-Bromobenzoic acid (3j), The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure B. White solid; Yield = 72%; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, Acetone-*d*₆) δ 11.52 (s, 1H), 8.15 (t, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 8.09 – 7.97 (m, 1H), 7.81 (ddd, *J* = 8.0, 2.0, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H); ¹³C

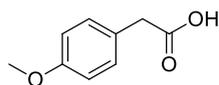
NMR (126 MHz, Acetone-*d*₆) δ 166.2, 136.6, 133.7, 133.1, 131.5, 129.3, 122.8 ppm. These data were consistent with those reported in the literature.²¹



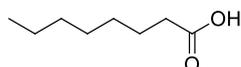
3k 2-Chlorobenzoic acid (3k), The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure B. White solid; Yield = 63%; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, Acetone-*d*₆) δ 11.60 (s, 1H), 7.96 – 7.84 (m, 1H), 7.59 – 7.50 (m, 2H), 7.48 – 7.38 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, Acetone-*d*₆) δ 166.8, 133.7, 133.6, 132.2, 131.7, 131.7, 127.8 ppm. These data were consistent with those reported in the literature.²²



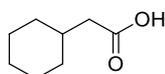
3n Cyclohexanecarboxylic acid (3n), The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure B. White solid; Yield = 82%; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 12.01 (s, 1H), 2.30 (tt, *J* = 11.2, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 1.91 (dd, *J* = 13.2, 2.7 Hz, 2H), 1.80–1.69 (m, 2H), 1.67–1.57 (m, 1H), 1.51–1.37 (m, 2H), 1.34–1.12 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 183.2, 43.1, 28.8, 25.8, 25.4 ppm. These data were consistent with those reported in the literature.²³



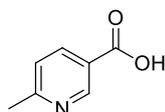
3o 2-(4-Methoxyphenyl)acetic acid (3o), The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure B. Brown solid; Yield = 89%; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.24–7.15 (m, 2H), 6.91–6.84 (m, 2H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.59 (s, 2H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 178.3, 159.0, 130.6, 125.5, 114.2, 55.4, 40.3 ppm. These data were consistent with those reported in the literature.²⁴



3p Octanoic acid (3p), The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure B. Colorless liquid; Yield = 87%; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 2.35 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 1.63 (dt, *J* = 14.9, 7.5 Hz, 2H), 1.39–1.22 (m, 8H), 0.88 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 180.0, 34.1, 31.8, 29.2, 29.0, 24.8, 22.7, 14.2 ppm. These data were consistent with those reported in the literature.²⁵

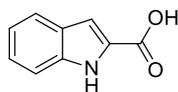


3q 2-Cyclohexylacetic acid (3q), The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure B. Yellow liquid; Yield = 90%; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 11.88 (s, 1H), 2.22 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 1.84–1.61 (m, 6H), 1.34–1.22 (m, 2H), 1.14 (ddt, *J* = 12.7, 7.0, 3.1 Hz, 1H), 1.06–0.90 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 180.0, 42.1, 34.8, 33.1, 26.2, 26.1 ppm. These data were consistent with those reported in the literature.²⁶



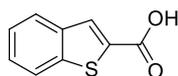
3r 6-Methylnicotinic acid (3r), The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure B. Yellow solid; Yield = 99%; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 8.97 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 8.61 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.84 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 2.75 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 164.1, 158.5, 143.5, 143.3, 127.0, 126.8, 20.5 ppm. These data were consistent with those reported in the literature.

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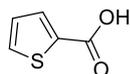
3s

1H-Indole-2-carboxylic acid (3s), The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure B. Brown solid; Yield = 50%; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 12.92 (s, 1H), 11.74 (s, 1H), 7.64 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.29–7.18 (m, 1H), 7.14–7.01 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 162.8, 137.2, 128.4, 126.9, 124.3, 121.9, 120.0, 112.5, 107.3 ppm. These data were consistent with those reported in the literature.²⁸



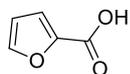
3t

Benzo[*b*]thiophene-2-carboxylic acid (3t), The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure B. Pale yellow solid; Yield = 71%; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 13.48 (s, 1H), 8.11 (s, 1H), 8.07–7.93 (m, 2H), 7.59–7.36 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 163.6, 141.4, 138.8, 134.8, 130.3, 127.0, 125.7, 125.1, 123.0 ppm. These data were consistent with those reported in the literature.²⁹



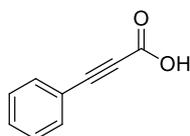
3u

Thiophene-2-carboxylic acid (3u), The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure B. White solid; Yield = 56%; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 11.78 (s, 1H), 7.91 (dd, *J* = 3.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (dd, *J* = 5.0, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.15 (dd, *J* = 4.9, 3.8 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.7, 135.2, 134.2, 133.0, 128.2 ppm. These data were consistent with those reported in the literature.¹⁷



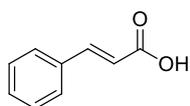
3v

Furan-2-carboxylic acid (3v), The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure B. Beige solid; Yield = 62%; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 11.60 (s, 1H), 7.65 (d, *J* = 0.6 Hz, 1H), 7.35 (d, *J* = 3.5 Hz, 1H), 6.57 (dd, *J* = 3.5, 1.6 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 163.7, 147.6, 143.9, 120.4, 112.5 ppm. These data were consistent with those reported in the literature.²⁹



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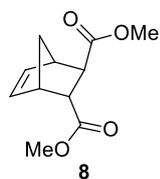
3-Phenylpropionic acid (3w), The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure B. Beige solid; Yield = 24%; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 13.81 (s, 1H), 7.63 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.55 (dd, *J* = 11.0, 3.9 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 154.3, 132.6, 130.9, 129.0, 119.0, 84.4, 81.7 ppm. These data were consistent with those reported in the literature.³⁰



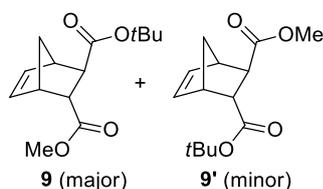
3x

***trans*-Cinnamic acid (3x)**, The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure B. White solid; Yield = 54%; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 12.22 (s, 1H), 7.81 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 7.57 (dd, *J* = 6.8, 2.8 Hz, 2H), 7.48–7.36 (m, 3H), 6.47 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 172.7, 147.3, 134.2, 130.9, 129.1, 128.5, 117.5 ppm. These data were consistent with

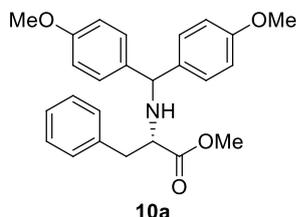
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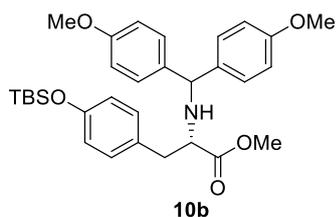
(1R,2R,3R,4S)-Dimethyl bicyclo[2.2.1]hept-5-ene-2,3-dicarboxylate (8), The title compound was synthesized according to reference. Colorless liquid; Yield = 99%; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.27 (dd, *J* = 5.5, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 6.07 (dd, *J* = 5.6, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 3.71 (s, 3H), 3.64 (s, 3H), 3.37 (t, *J* = 4.1 Hz, 1H), 3.26 (s, 1H), 3.12 (s, 1H), 2.68 (dd, *J* = 4.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 1.61 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 1.46 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 1.6 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 175.0, 173.9, 137.7, 135.3, 52.2, 52.0, 48.0, 47.8, 47.5, 47.2, 45.8 ppm. These data were consistent with those reported in the literature.³²



(1S,2R,3R,4R)-2-tert-Butyl 3-methyl bicyclo[2.2.1]hept-5-ene-2,3-dicarboxylate (9), The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure A. Colorless liquid; Yield = 60%; No attempt was made to separate the isomer mixture; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.26 (dd, *J* = 5.5, 3.1 Hz, 1H both isomers), 6.07–6.01 (m, 1H both isomers), 3.21 (s, 1H both isomers), 1.57 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H both isomers); **Major** δ 3.62 (s, 3H), 3.33 (t, *J* = 4.1 Hz, 1H), 3.06 (m, 1H), 2.57 (dd, *J* = 4.4, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 1.44 (s, 9H), 1.42 (d, *J* = 1.7 Hz, 1H); **Minor** δ 3.69 (s, 3H), 3.27 (t, *J* = 4.1 Hz, 1H), 3.08 (m, 1H), 2.63 (dd, *J* = 4.4, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 1.41–1.40 (m, 1H), 1.40 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) **Major** δ 174.1, 173.7, 137.8, 135.2, 80.7, 51.8, 48.4, 47.9, 47.7, 47.3, 45.8, 28.2; **Minor** δ 175.3, 172.5, 137.6, 135.0, 80.5, 52.1, 49.0, 47.8, 47.5, 46.8, 46.0, 28.2 ppm. These data were consistent with those reported in the literature.³³

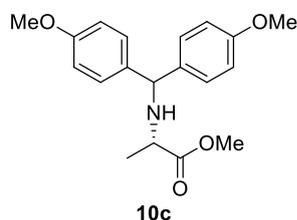


(S)-Methyl 2-((bis(4-methoxyphenyl)methyl)amino)-3-phenylpropanoate (10a), The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure C. White solid; [α]_D²⁰ = -15.2 (*c* 0.1, MeOH); Yield = 89%; m.p. = 71–72 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.30–7.17 (m, 5H), 7.17–7.12 (m, 2H), 7.07 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 6.78 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 6.72 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 4.68 (s, 1H), 3.72 (d, *J* = 5.0 Hz, 6H), 3.64 (s, 3H), 3.43 (dd, *J* = 7.7, 5.9 Hz, 1H), 2.96 (dd, *J* = 13.4, 5.9 Hz, 1H), 2.88 (dd, *J* = 13.4, 7.8 Hz, 1H), 2.06 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 175.5, 158.7, 158.6, 137.7, 137.0, 135.1, 129.6, 128.5, 128.3, 128.3, 126.6, 113.9, 113.8, 64.2, 60.7, 55.3, 55.3, 51.7, 40.2 ppm; HRMS (EI) *m/z* [M]⁺ calcd. for C₂₅H₂₇NO₄ 405.1940, found 405.1962



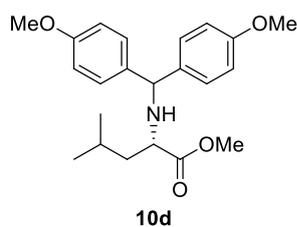
(S)-Methyl 2-((bis(4-methoxyphenyl)methyl)amino)-3-(4-((tert-butyldimethylsilyloxy)phenyl)propanoate (10b), The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure C. Colorless oil; [α]_D²⁰ = -0.2 (*c* 0.1, MeOH); Yield = 83%; ¹H NMR (500 MHz,

CDCl₃) δ 7.22 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.11 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.03 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.81–6.76 (m, 6H), 4.69 (s, 1H), 3.76 (d, J = 4.7 Hz, 6H), 3.65 (s, 3H), 3.41 (dd, J = 7.6, 6.2 Hz, 1H), 2.87 (ddd, J = 21.3, 13.5, 6.9 Hz, 2H), 2.06 (s, 1H), 1.01 (s, 9H), 0.22 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 175.6, 158.7, 158.7, 154.5, 137.0, 135.1, 130.5, 130.5, 128.5, 128.4, 120.0, 113.9, 113.9, 64.2, 60.8, 55.3, 55.3, 51.7, 39.5, 25.8, 18.4, -4.3 ppm; HRMS (EI) m/z [M]⁺ calcd. for C₃₁H₄₁NO₅Si 535.2754, found 535.2775



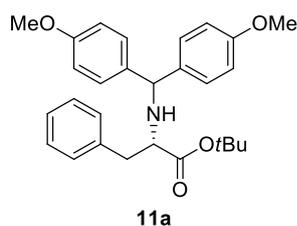
(S)-Methyl 2-((bis(4-methoxyphenyl)methyl)amino)propanoate (10c),

The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure C. Colorless oil; $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ = -32.8 (*c* 0.1, MeOH); Yield = 97%; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.35–7.33 (m, 2H) 7.28–7.26 (m, 2H), 6.87–6.82 (m, 4H), 4.76 (s, 1H), 3.77 (d, J = 10.7 Hz, 6H), 3.72 (s, 3H), 3.31 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 2.10 (s, 1H), 1.32 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 176.7, 158.7, 158.7, 136.9, 135.3, 128.5, 128.4, 113.9, 113.9, 64.1, 55.3, 55.3, 54.4, 51.8, 19.6 ppm; HRMS (EI) m/z [M]⁺ calcd. for C₁₉H₂₃NO₄ 329.1627, found 329.1630



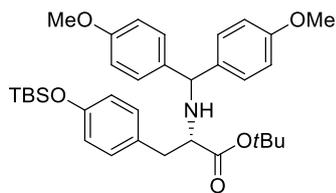
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The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure C. Colorless oil; $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ = -46.6 (*c* 0.1, MeOH); Yield = 90%; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.37 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.31 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 6.86 (dd, J = 18.9, 8.7 Hz, 4H), 4.73 (s, 1H), 3.78–3.73 (m, 9H), 3.26 (dd, J = 8.9, 5.5 Hz, 1H), 2.00–1.93 (m, 2H), 1.57–1.43 (m, 2H), 0.94 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 3H), 0.85 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 176.8, 158.7, 158.6, 137.2, 135.2, 128.6, 128.2, 113.8, 64.3, 57.6, 55.2, 55.2, 51.6, 43.4, 24.8, 23.2, 22.02 ppm; HRMS (EI) m/z [M]⁺ calcd. for C₂₂H₂₉NO₄ 371.2097, found 371.2092



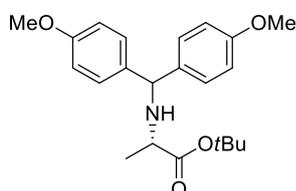
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phenylpropanoate (11a), The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure D. Colorless oil; $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ = -12.9 (*c* 0.1, MeOH); Yield = 86%; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.27–7.16 (m, 7H), 7.12–7.09 (m, 2H), 6.79–6.73 (m, 4H), 4.70 (s, 1H), 3.73 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 6H), 3.29 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 2.92–2.84 (m, 2H), 2.05 (s, 1H), 1.38 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 174.3, 158.6, 158.6, 138.0, 137.2, 135.2, 129.7, 128.5, 128.4, 128.2, 126.5, 113.9, 113.8, 81.1, 64.2, 61.2, 55.3, 55.3, 40.3, 28.2 ppm; HRMS (EI) m/z [M]⁺ calcd. for C₂₈H₃₃NO₄ 447.2410, found 447.2407; HPLC analysis: Chiralpak OD-H (hexane/isopropyl = 99:1, wavelength = 210 nm, flow rate = 0.7 mL/min), *t_R* = 10.6 min (major), 12.5 min (minor)



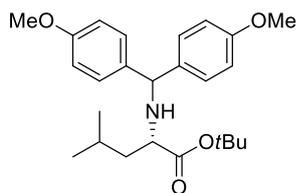
11b

(S)-tert-Butyl 2-((bis(4-methoxyphenyl)methyl)amino)-3-((tert-butyl(dimethyl)silyloxy)phenyl)propanoate (11b), The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure D. Colorless oil; $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -2.4$ (*c* 0.1, MeOH); Yield = 56%; $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.24 (d, $J = 8.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.17 (d, $J = 8.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.07 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 6.80 (dd, $J = 18.2$, 8.8 Hz, 6H), 4.74 (s, 1H), 3.78 (d, $J = 10.5$ Hz, 6H), 3.29 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.90–2.82 (m, 2H), 2.06 (s, 1H), 1.42 (s, 9H), 1.02 (s, 9H), 0.23 (s, 6H); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 174.4, 158.6, 158.6, 154.3, 137.3, 135.3, 130.8, 130.7, 128.6, 128.4, 119.8, 113.9, 113.8, 81.0, 64.2, 61.3, 55.3, 55.3, 39.5, 28.2, 25.9, 18.4, -4.3 ppm; HRMS (EI) m/z $[\text{M}]^+$ calcd. for $\text{C}_{34}\text{H}_{47}\text{NO}_5\text{Si}$ 577.3224, found 577.3224; HPLC analysis: Chiralpak AD-H (hexane/isopropyl = 99:1, wavelength = 254 nm, flow rate = 0.4 mL/min), $t_R = 10.9$ min (major), 12.7 min (minor)



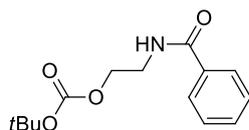
11c

(S)-tert-Butyl 2-((bis(4-methoxyphenyl)methyl)amino)propanoate (11c), The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure D. Colorless oil; $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -21.9$ (*c* 0.1, MeOH); Yield = 82%; $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.32 (d, $J = 8.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.24 (d, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 2H), 6.84 (d, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 2H), 6.80 (d, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 2H), 4.75 (s, 1H), 3.76 (d, $J = 14.0$ Hz, 6H), 3.14 (q, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.04 (s, 1H), 1.47 (s, 9H), 1.25 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 3H); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 175.6, 158.7, 158.7, 137.2, 135.4, 128.6, 128.4, 113.9, 113.9, 80.9, 64.1, 55.3, 55.2, 28.3, 19.7 ppm; HRMS (EI) m/z $[\text{M}]^+$ calcd. for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{29}\text{NO}_4$ 371.2097, found 371.2071; HPLC analysis: Chiralpak AD-H (hexane/isopropyl = 99:1, wavelength = 210 nm, flow rate = 0.7 mL/min), $t_R = 11.7$ min (major), 16.3 min (minor)



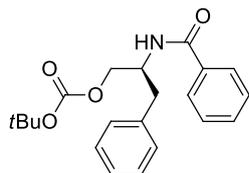
11d

(S)-tert-Butyl 2-((bis(4-methoxyphenyl)methyl)amino)-4-methylpentanoate (11d), The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure D. Colorless oil; $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -39.1$ (*c* 0.1, MeOH); Yield = 71%; $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.33 (d, $J = 8.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.25 (d, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 2H), 6.82 (dd, $J = 23.9$, 8.7 Hz, 4H), 4.71 (s, 1H), 3.74 (d, $J = 17.0$ Hz, 6H), 3.05 (dd, $J = 8.5$, 5.9 Hz, 1H), 1.95–1.87 (m, 2H), 1.47 (s, 9H), 1.45–1.34 (m, 2H), 0.89 (d, $J = 6.7$ Hz, 3H), 0.81 (d, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 3H); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 175.8, 158.7, 158.6, 137.5, 135.4, 128.7, 128.3, 113.9, 113.8, 80.7, 64.2, 58.3, 55.3, 55.3, 43.4, 28.3, 24.9, 23.2, 22.3 ppm; HRMS (EI) m/z $[\text{M}]^+$ calcd. for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{35}\text{NO}_4$ 413.2566, found 413.2570; HPLC analysis: Chiralpak IA (hexane/isopropyl = 97:3, wavelength = 260 nm, flow rate = 0.6 mL/min), $t_R = 8.4$ min (major), 13.5 min (minor)



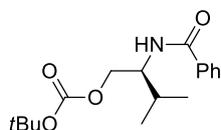
13a

2-Benzamidoethyl tert-butyl carbonate (13a), The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure A. White solid; Yield = 78%; m.p. = 92-93 °C; $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.76 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.48 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.40 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 6.71 (s, 1H), 4.26–4.24 (m, 2H), 3.72 (dd, $J = 10.4, 5.4$ Hz, 2H), 1.47 (s, 9H); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.7, 153.7, 134.3, 131.7, 128.6, 127.1, 82.8, 65.9, 39.5, 27.8 ppm; HRMS (EI) m/z $[\text{M}]^+$ calcd. for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{19}\text{NO}_4$ 265.1314, found 265.1327



13b

(S)-2-Benzamido-3-phenylpropyl tert-butyl carbonate (13b), The title compound was synthesized according to general procedure A. White solid; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} = -46.9$ (c 0.1, MeOH); Yield = 88%; m.p. = 95-96 °C; $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.72 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.49 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.42 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.35–7.28 (m, 2H), 7.28–7.20 (m, 3H), 6.46 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 4.70–4.52 (m, 1H), 4.17 (ddd, $J = 15.2, 11.3, 4.4$ Hz, 2H), 3.07 (dd, $J = 13.7, 6.2$ Hz, 1H), 2.95 (dd, $J = 13.7, 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 1.48 (s, 9H); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.1, 153.9, 137.2, 134.5, 131.7, 129.5, 128.8, 128.7, 127.1, 127.0, 82.9, 67.1, 50.6, 37.4, 27.9 ppm; HRMS (FAB) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd. for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{26}\text{NO}_4$ 356.1862, found 356.1868



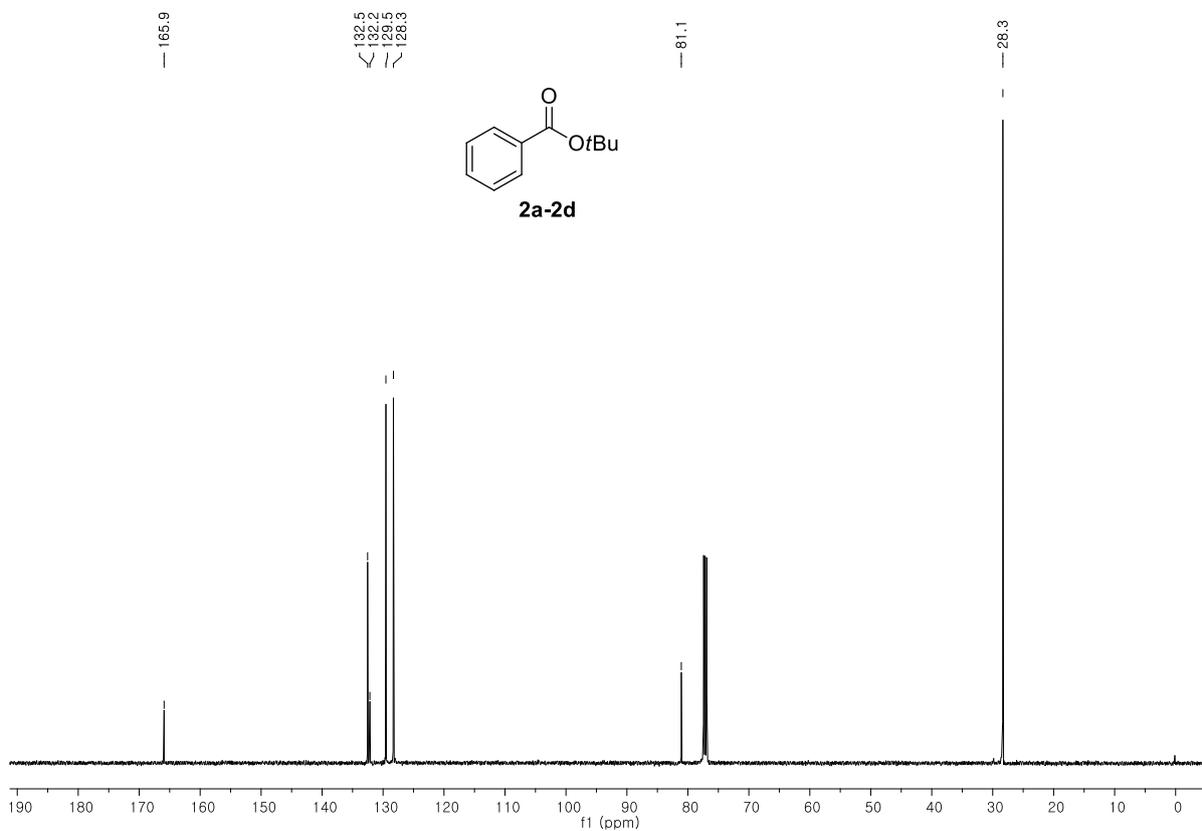
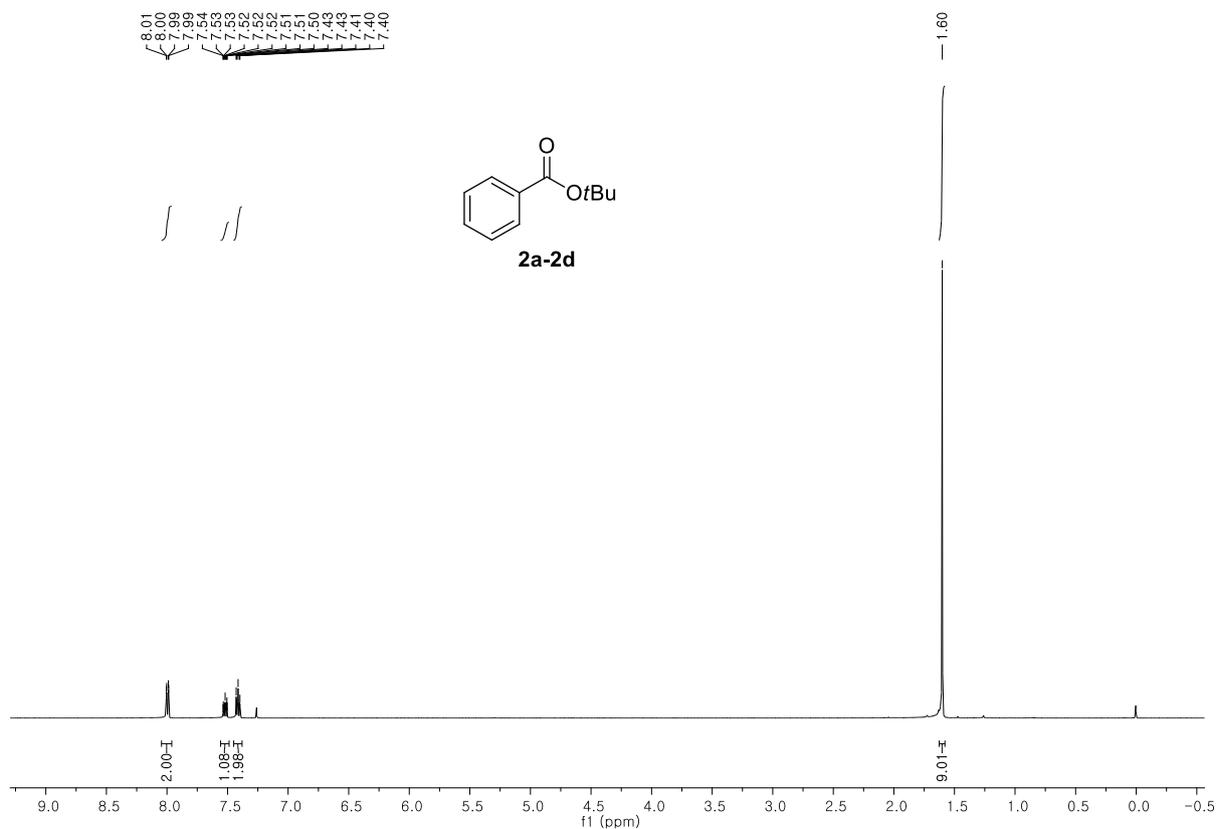
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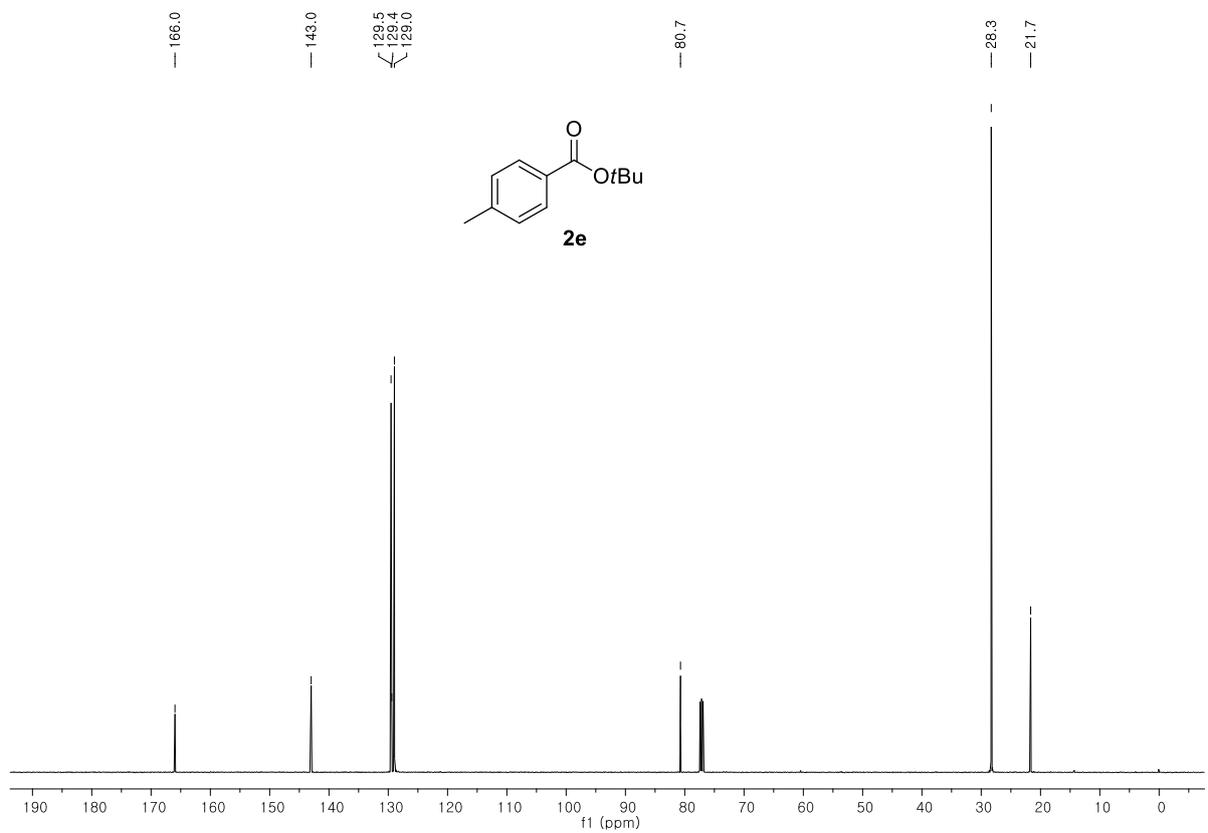
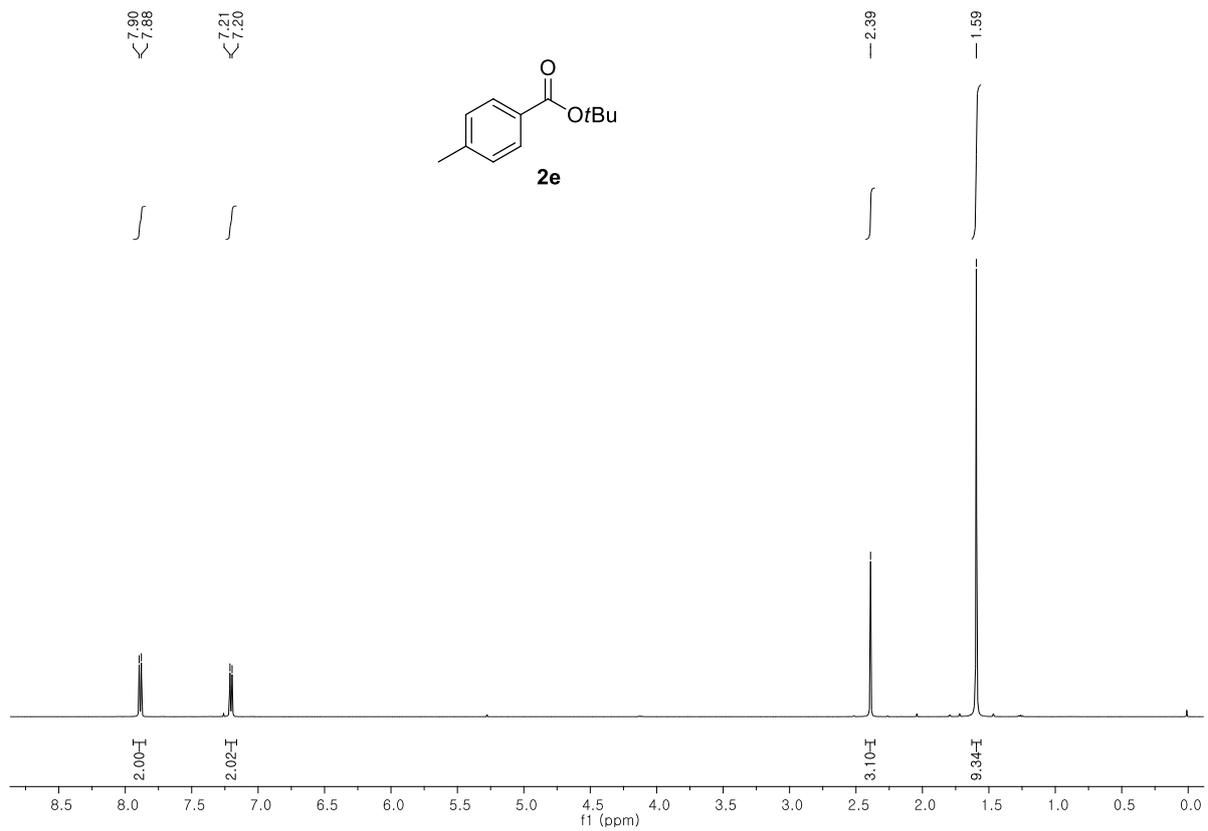
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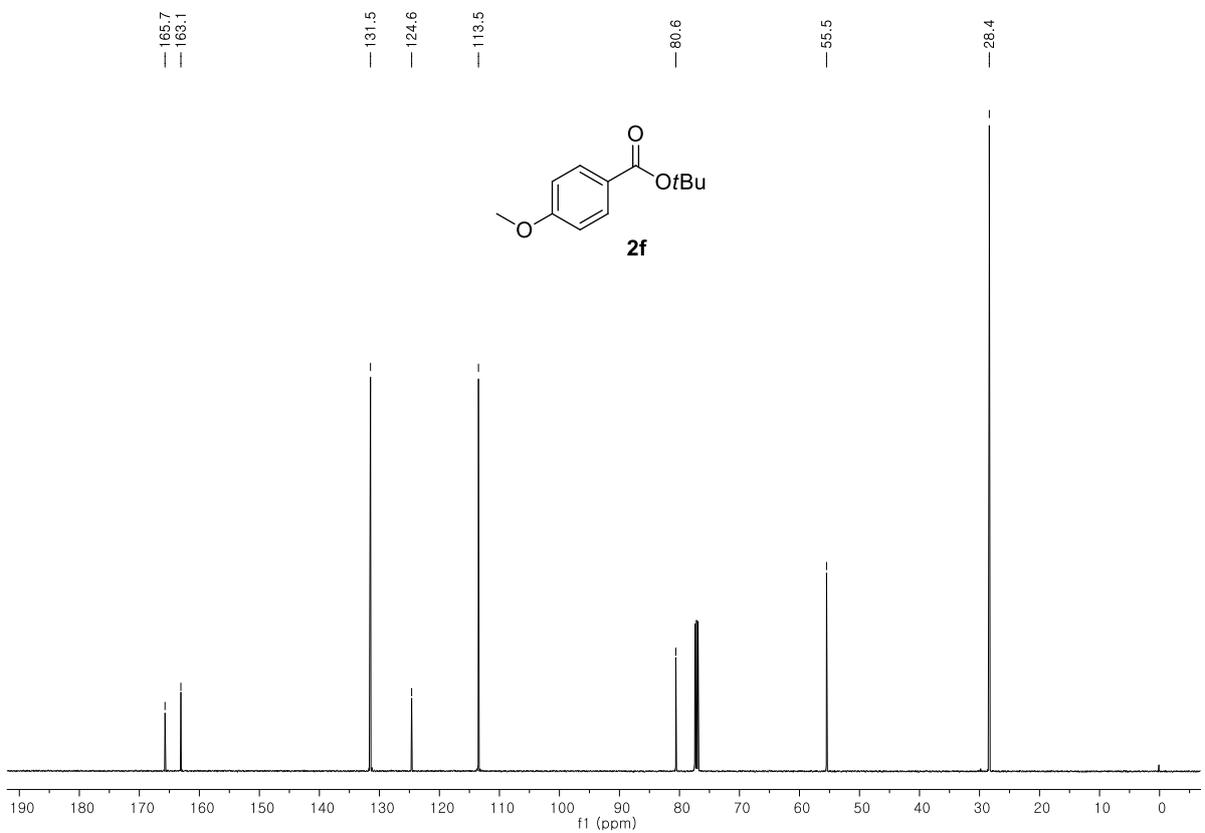
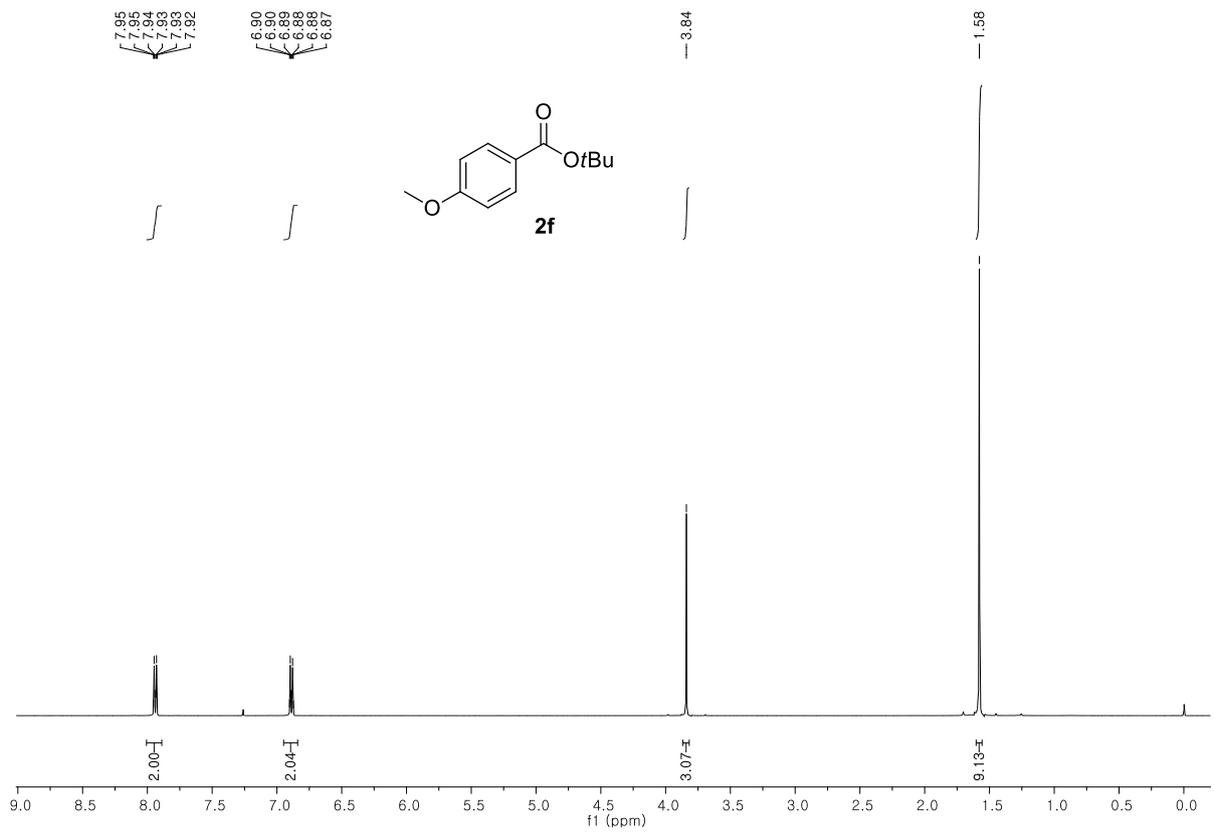
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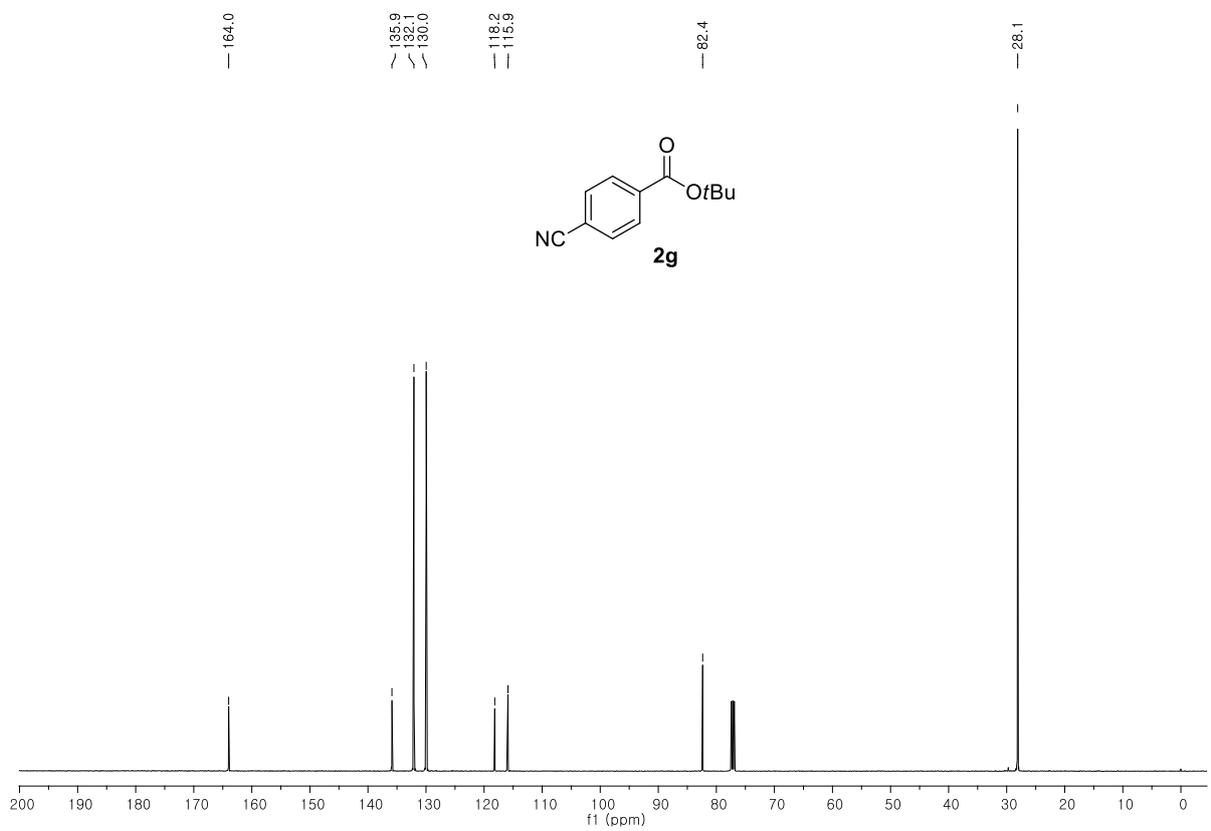
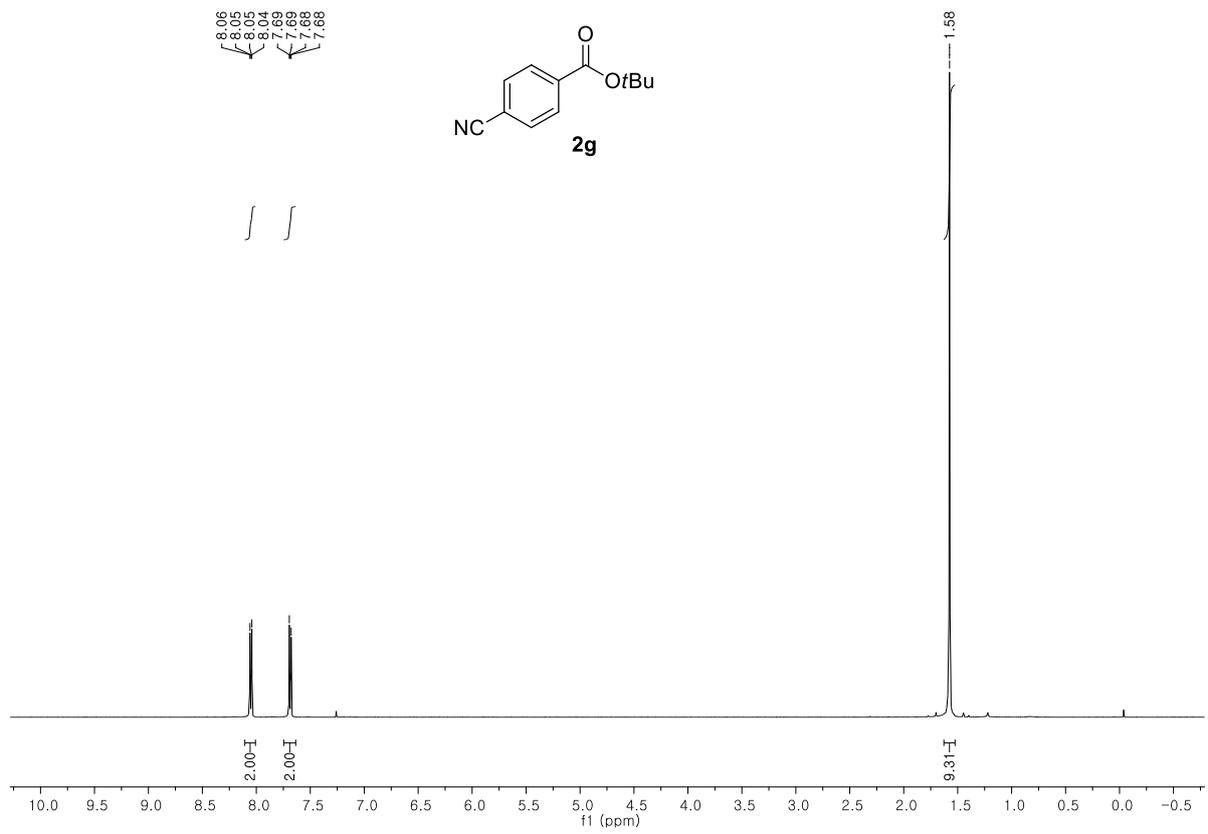
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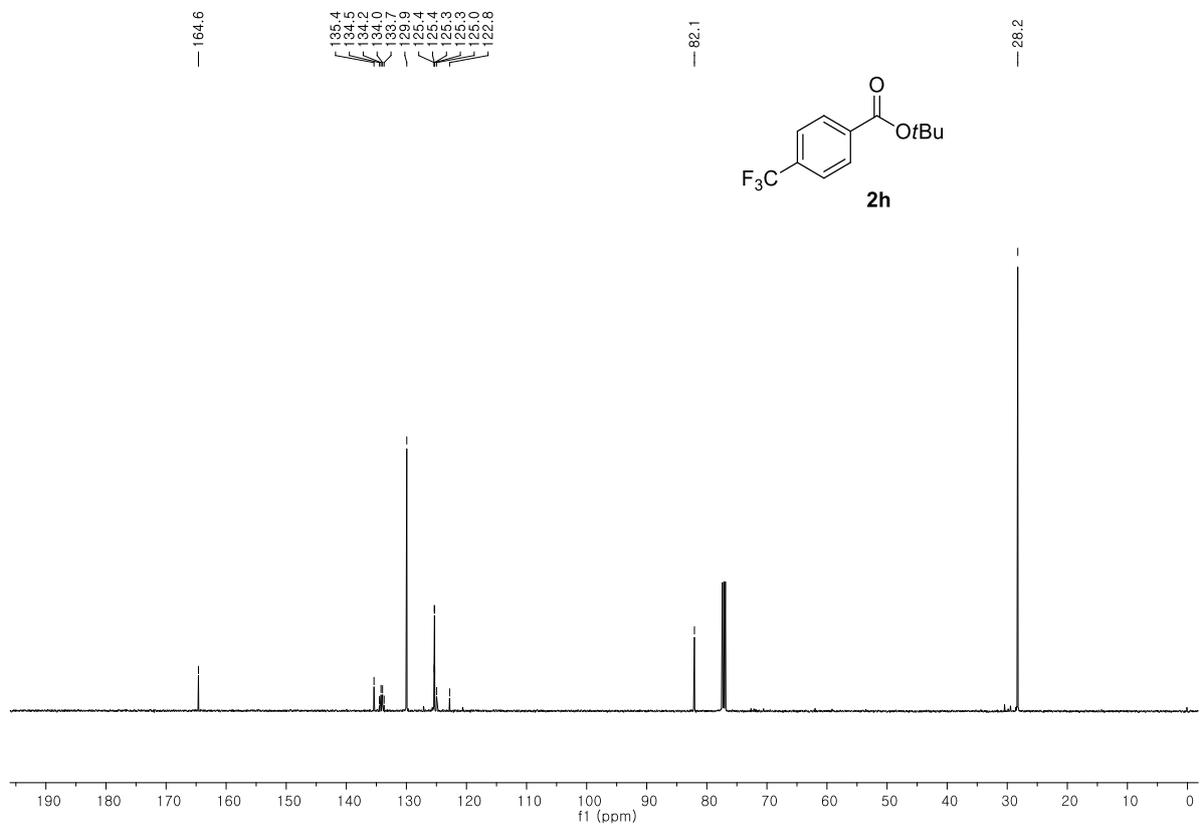
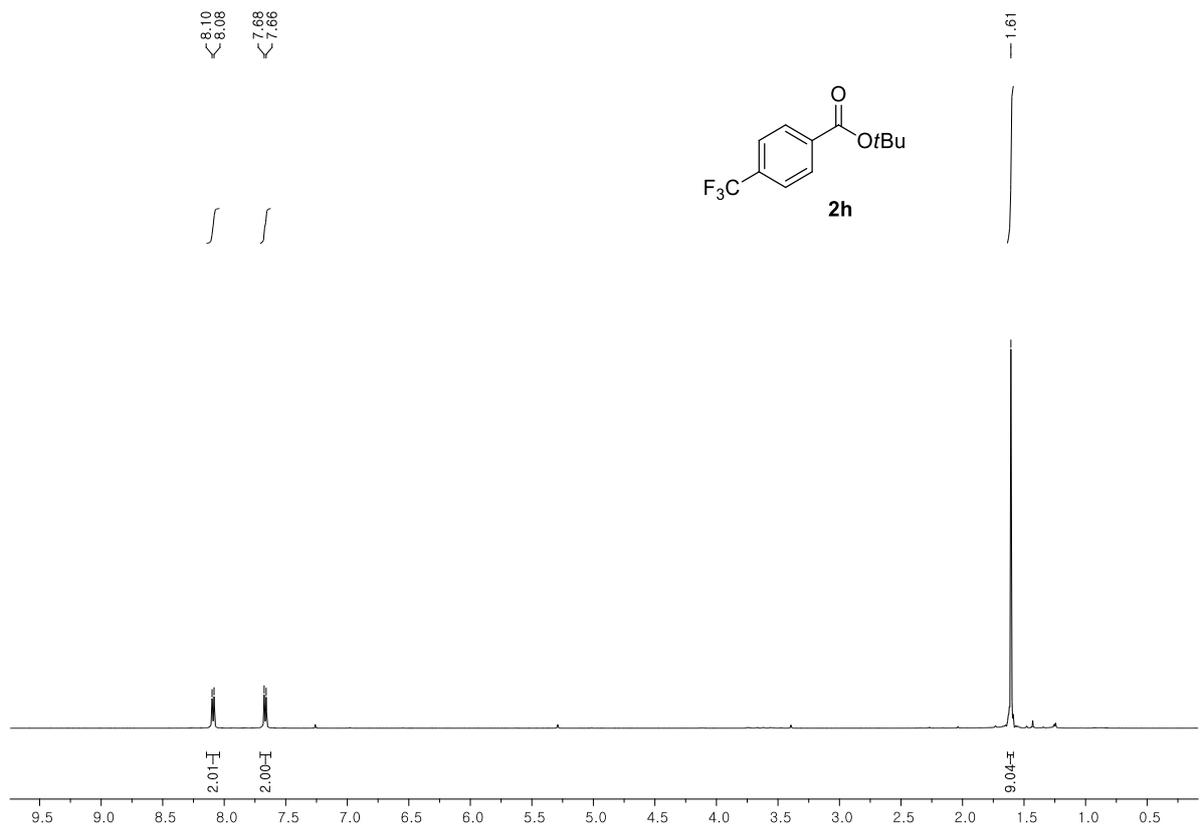
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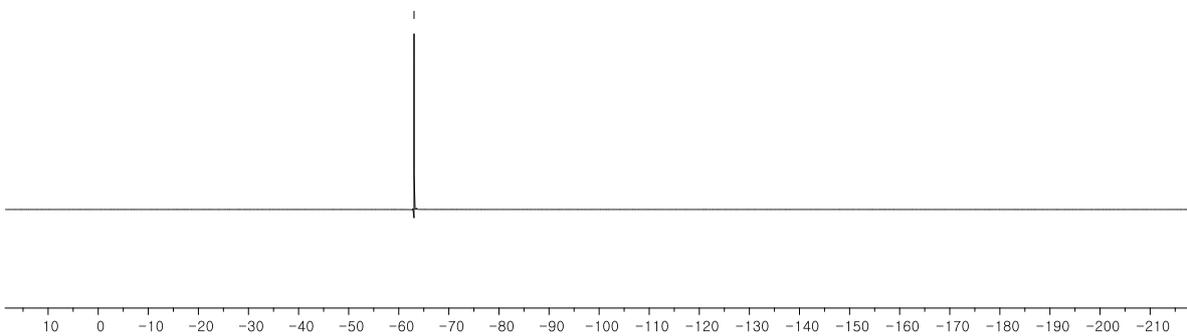
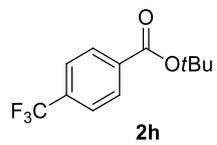


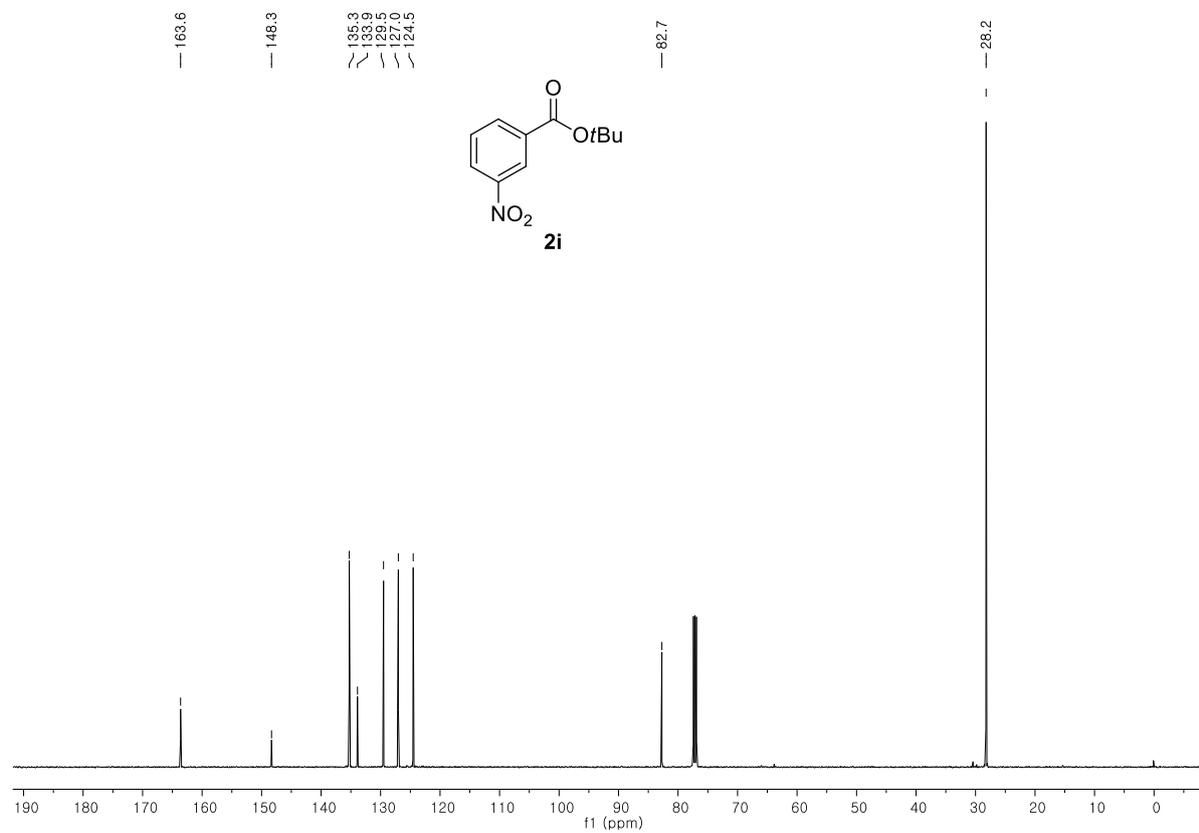
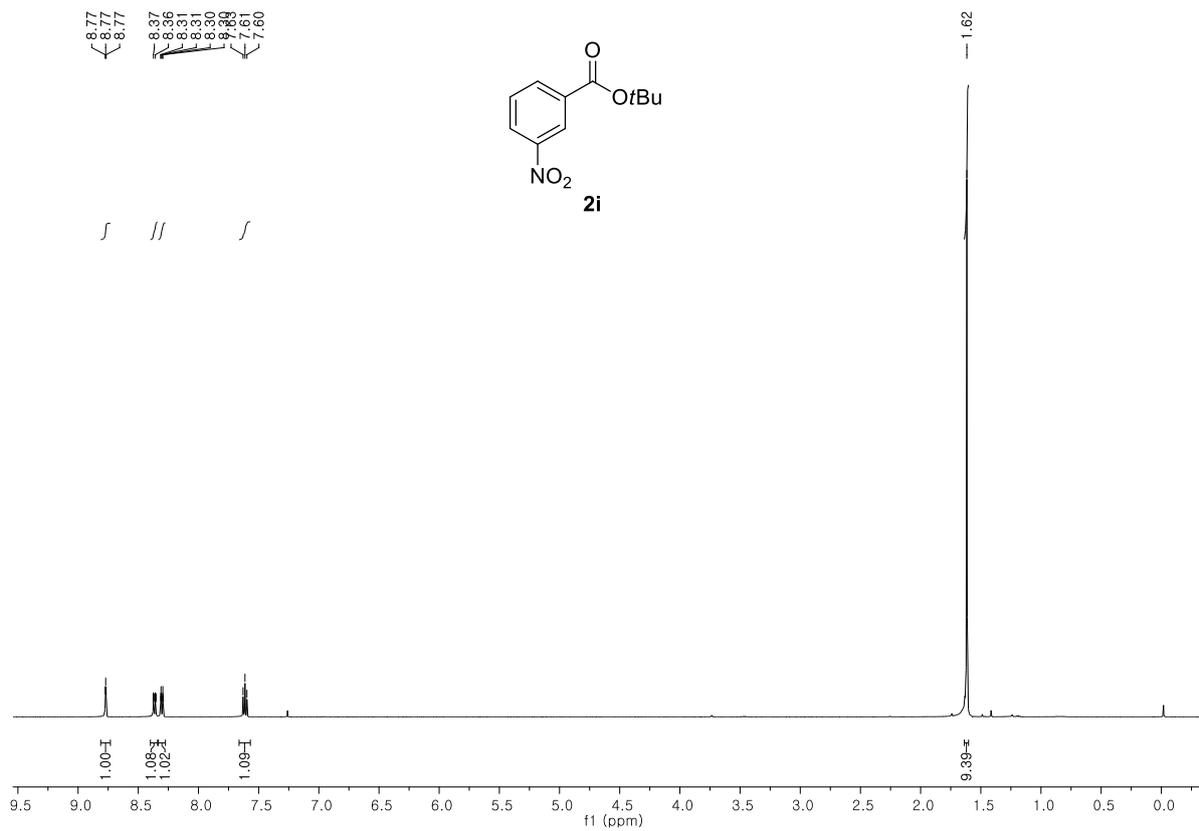


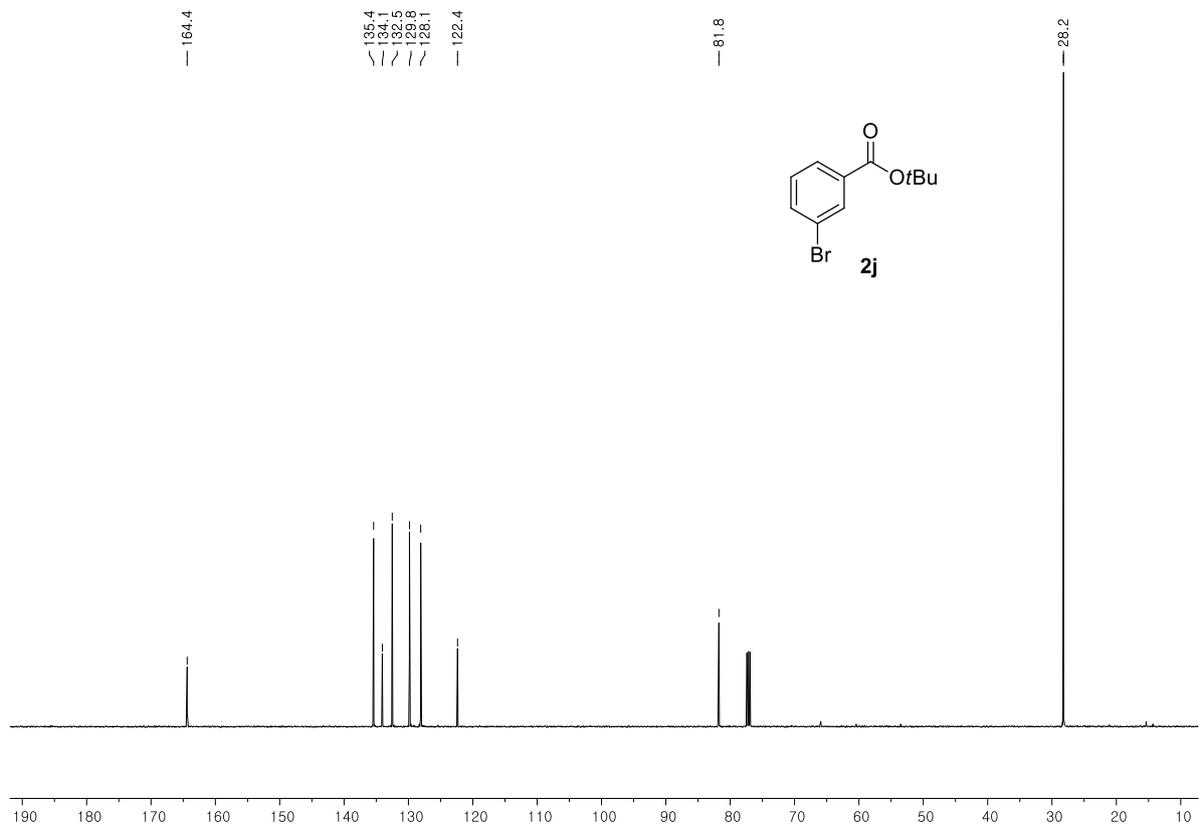
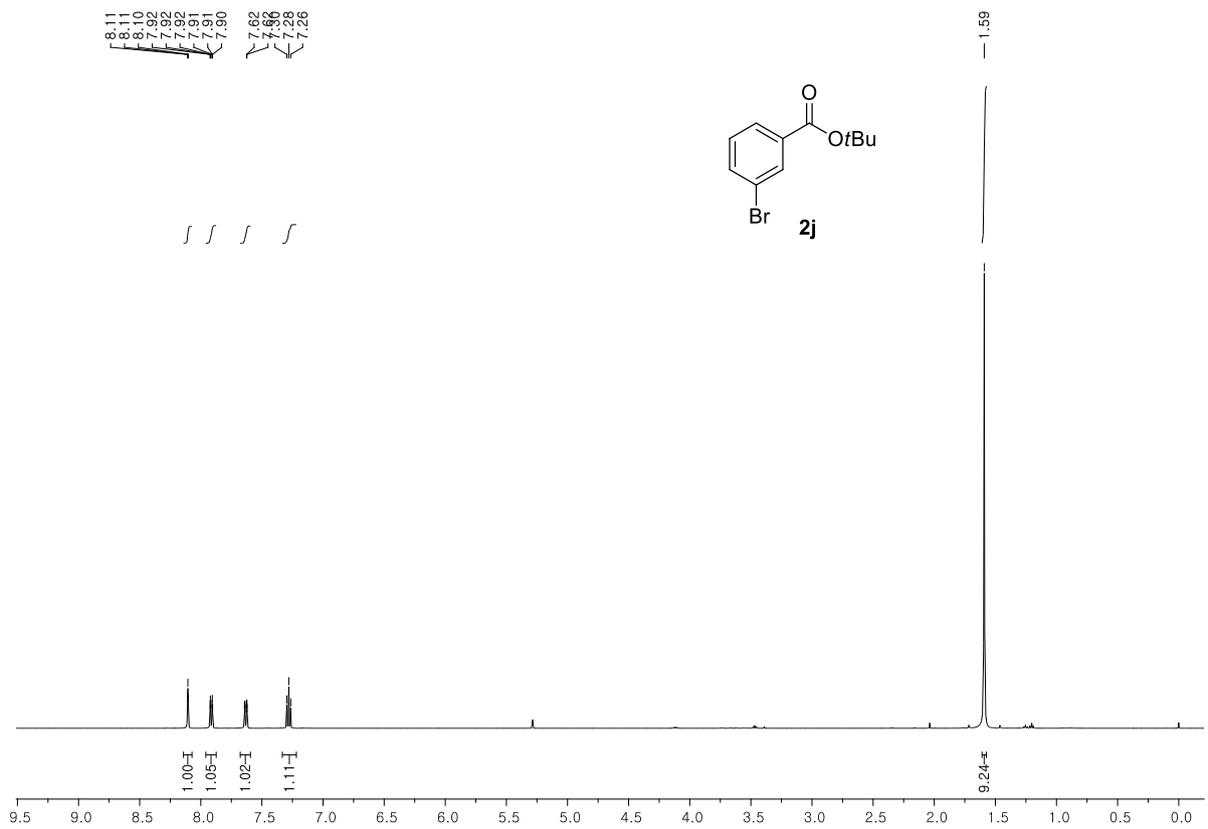


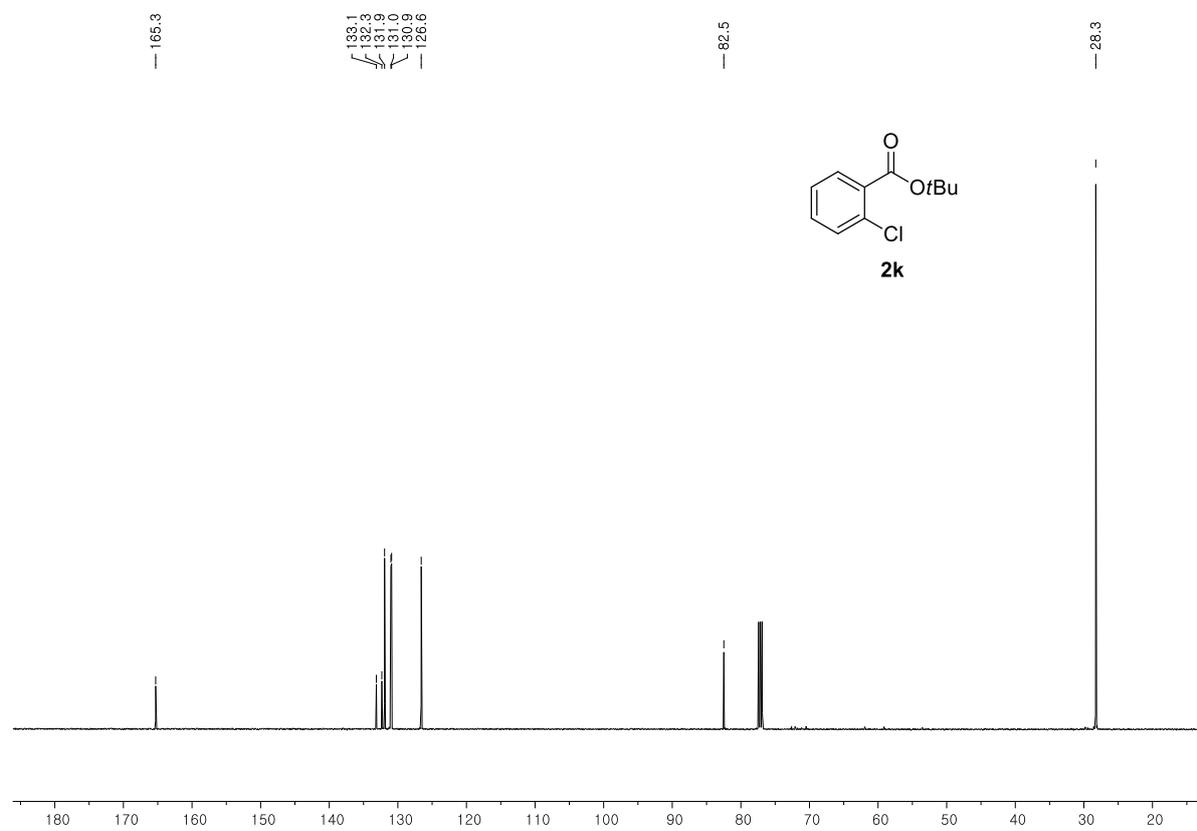
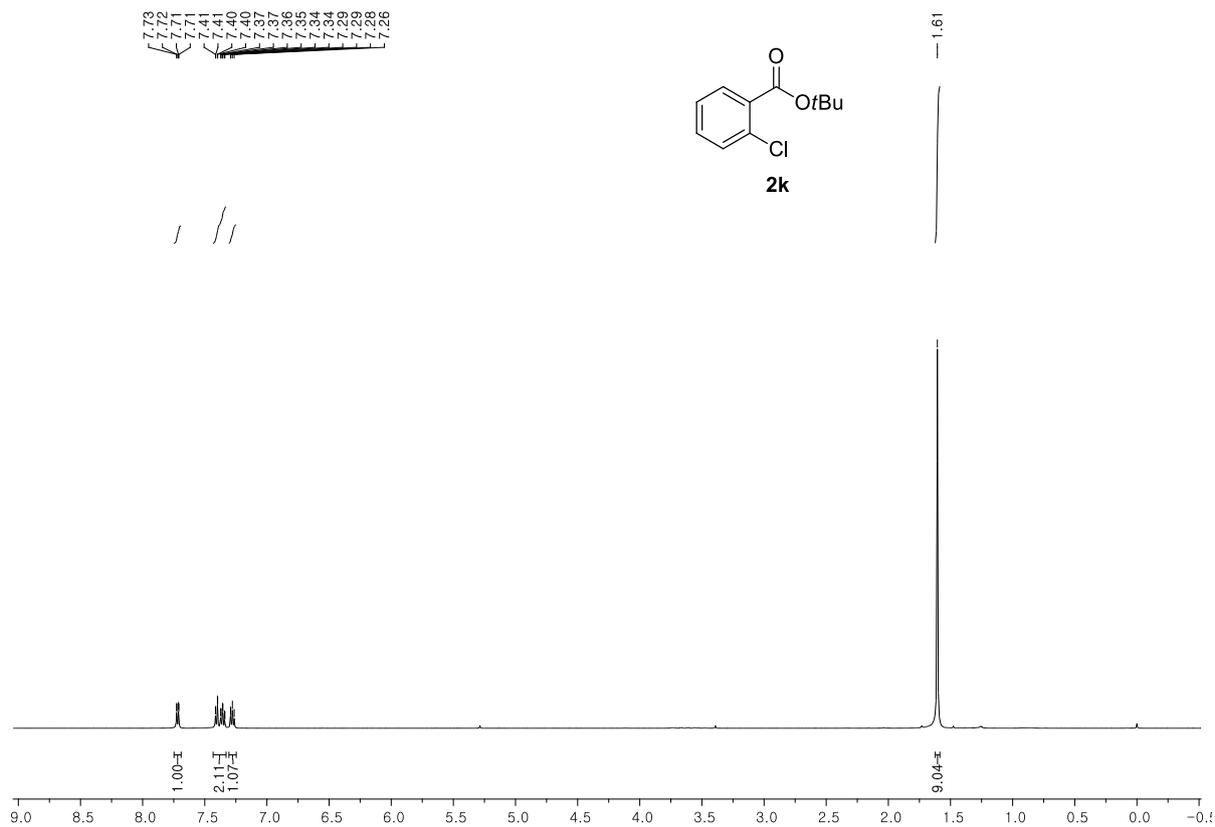


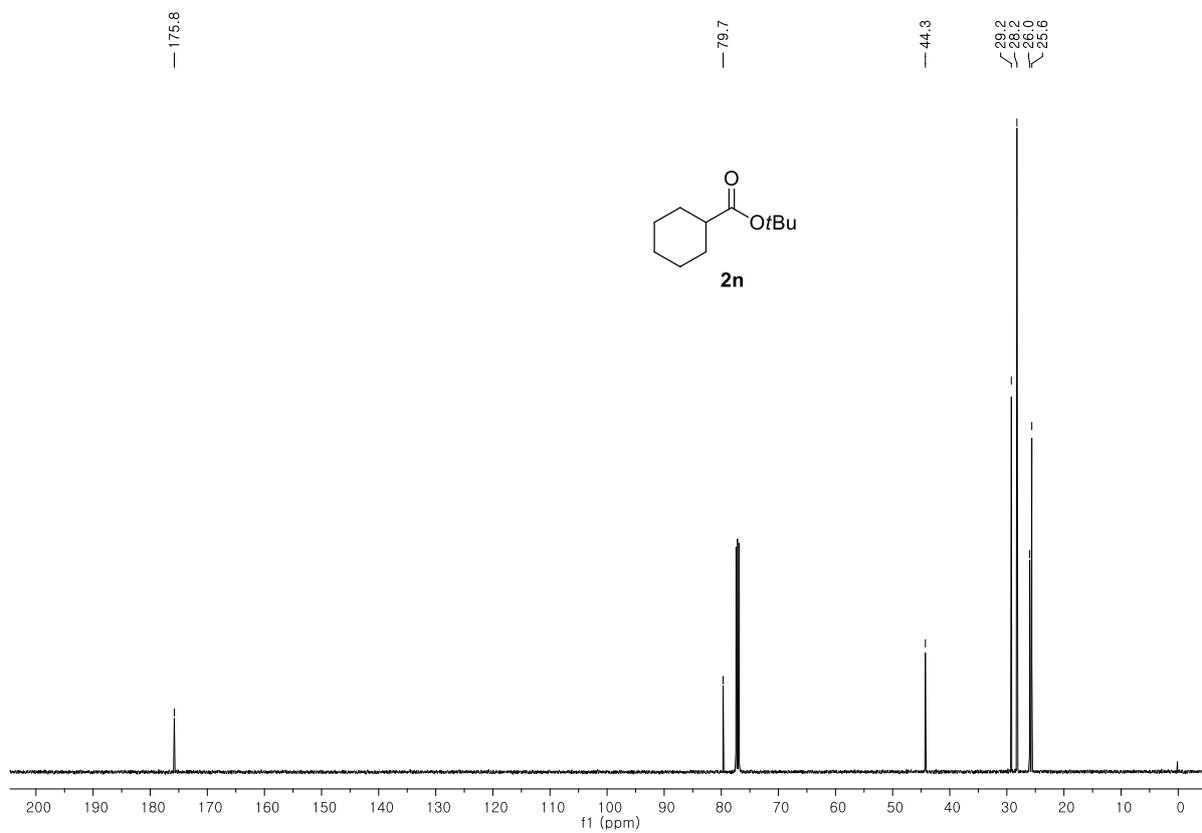
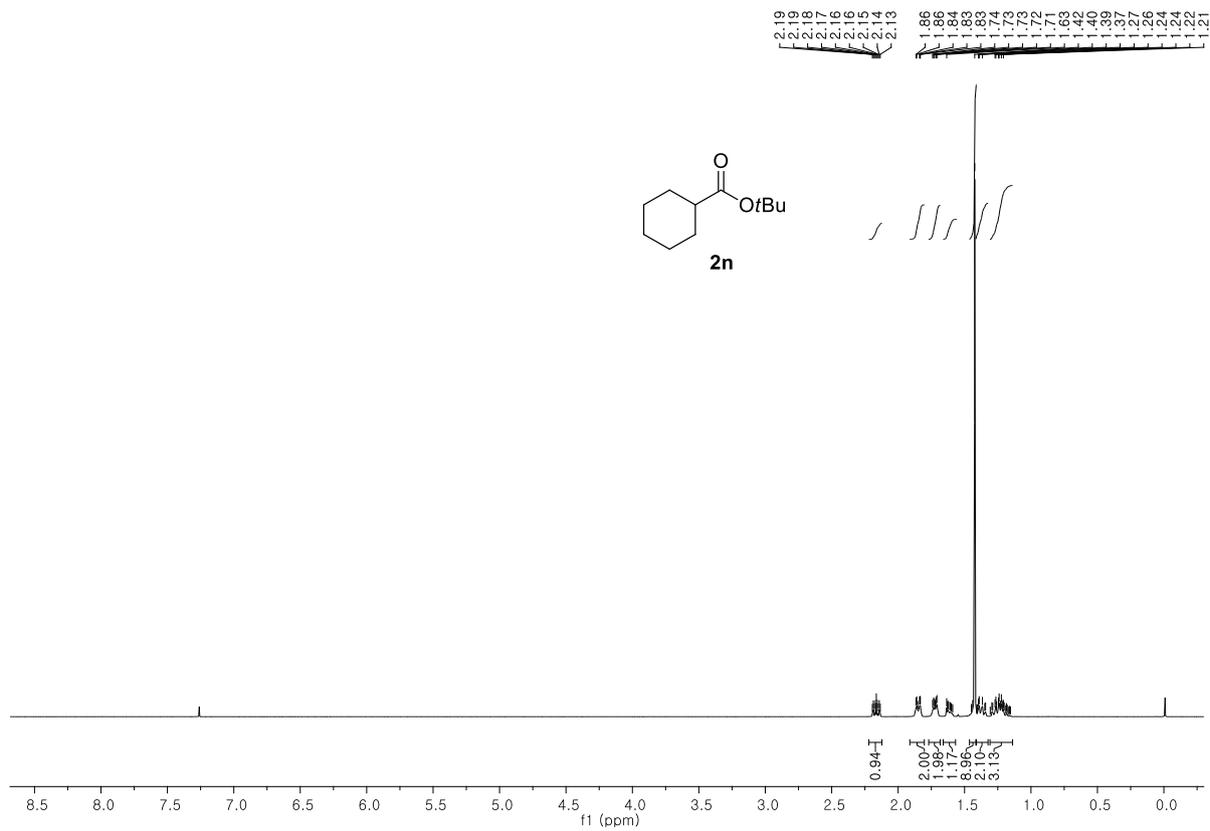
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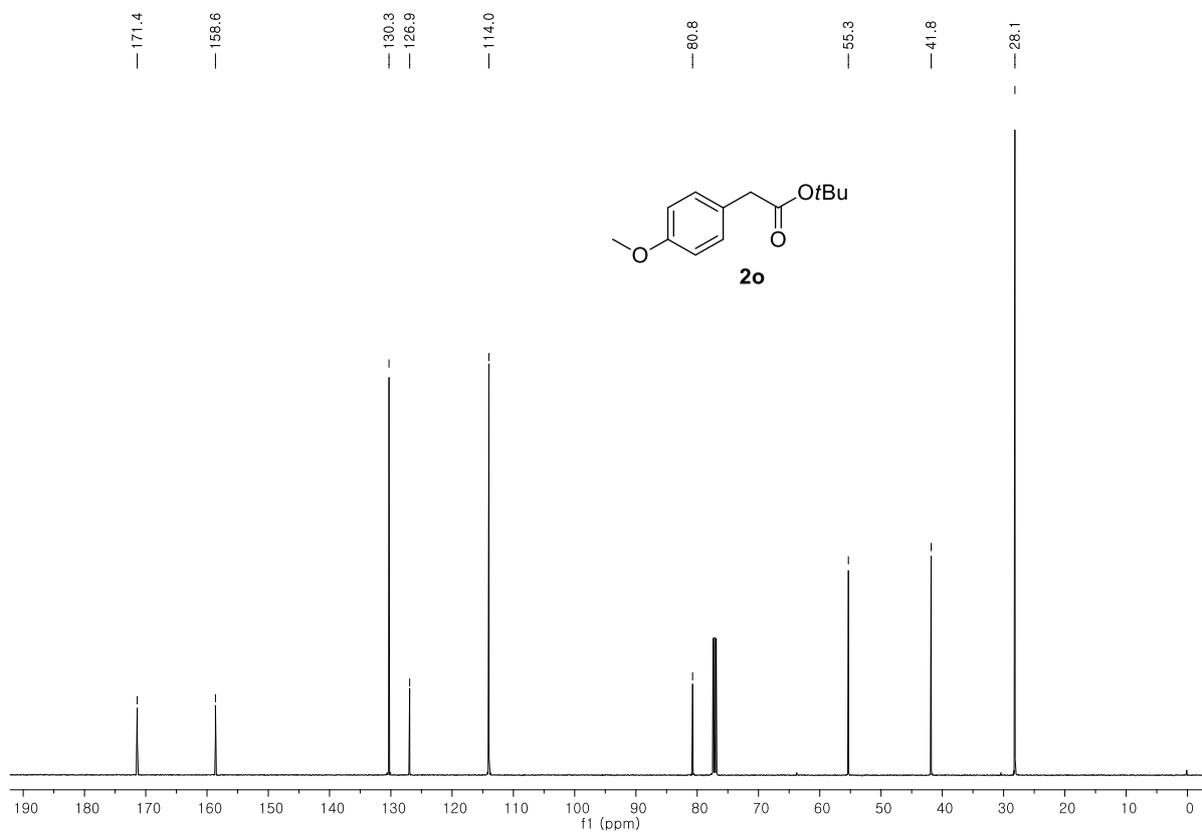
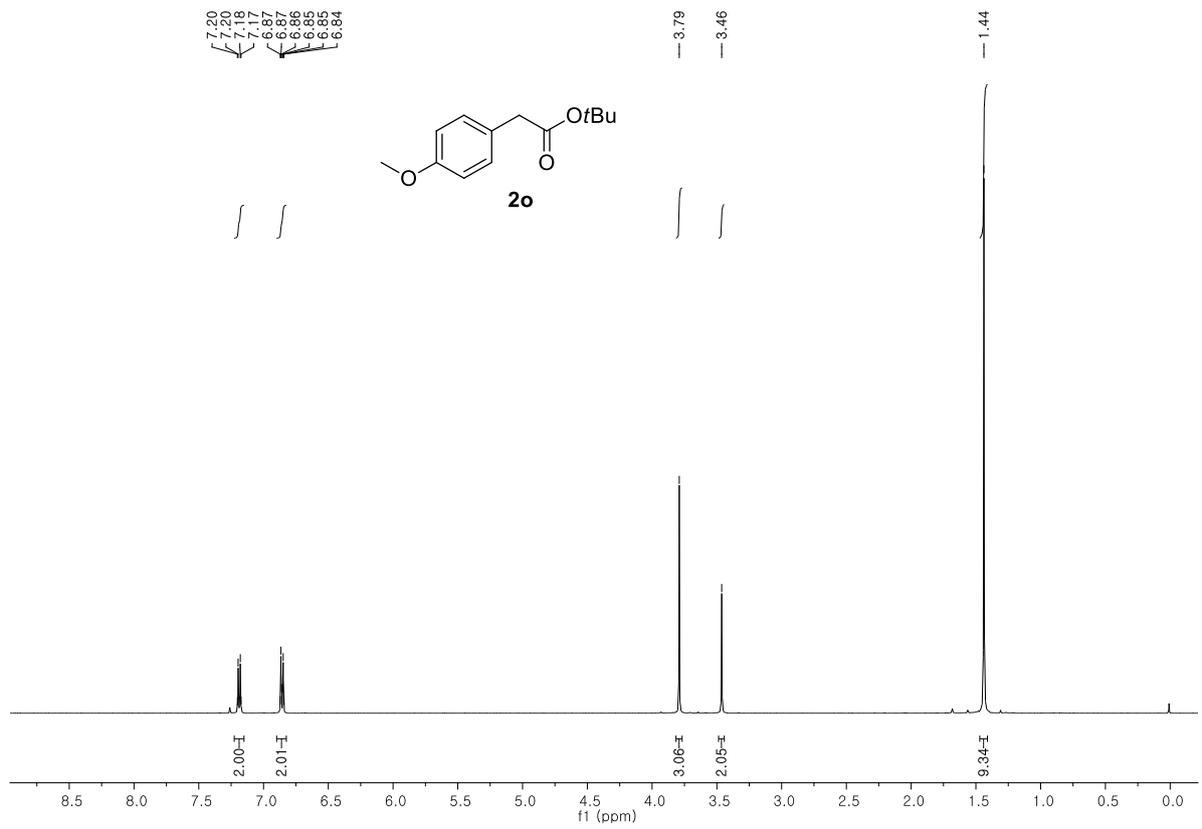


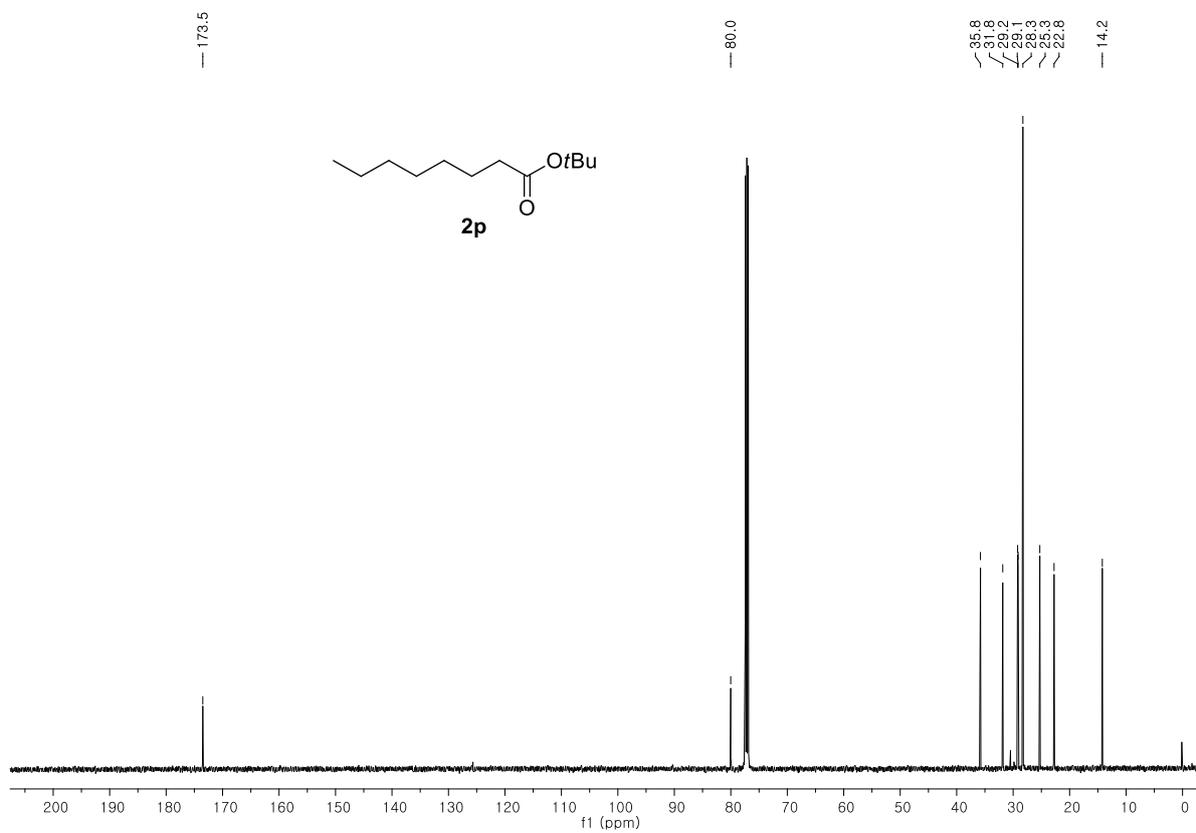
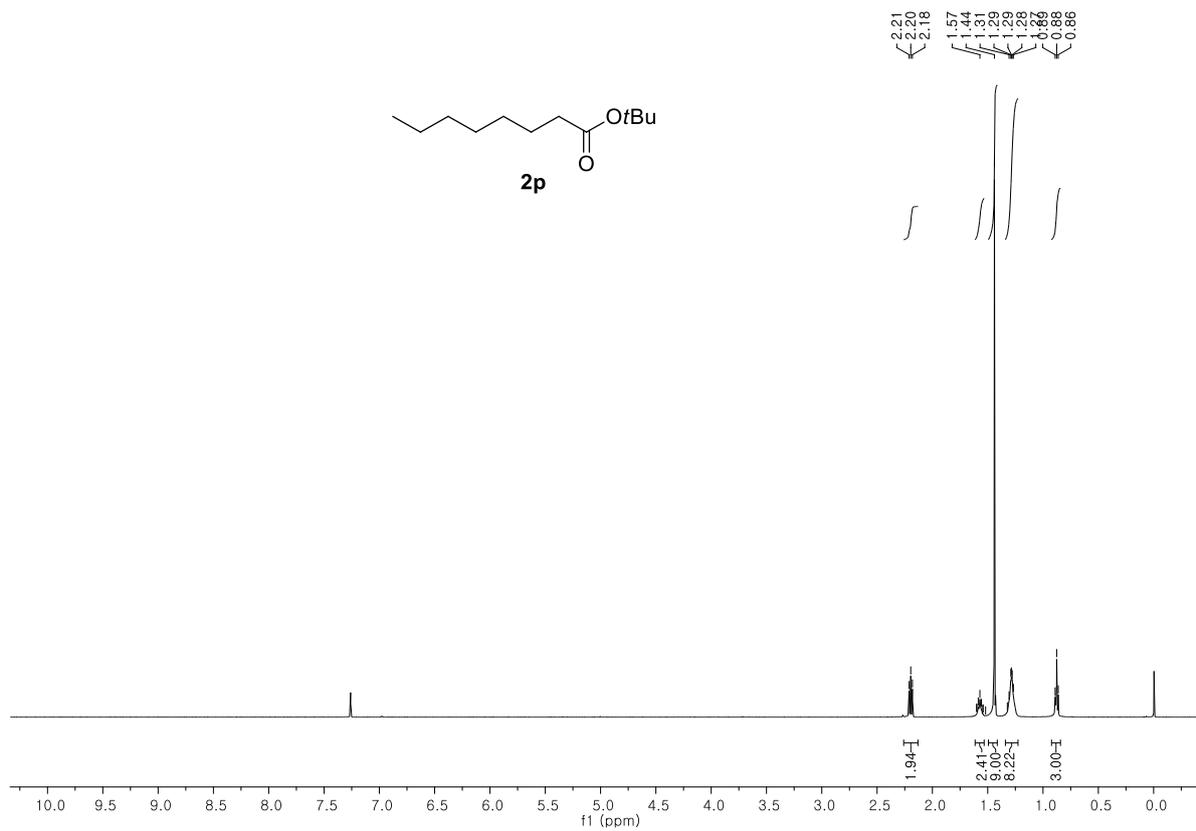


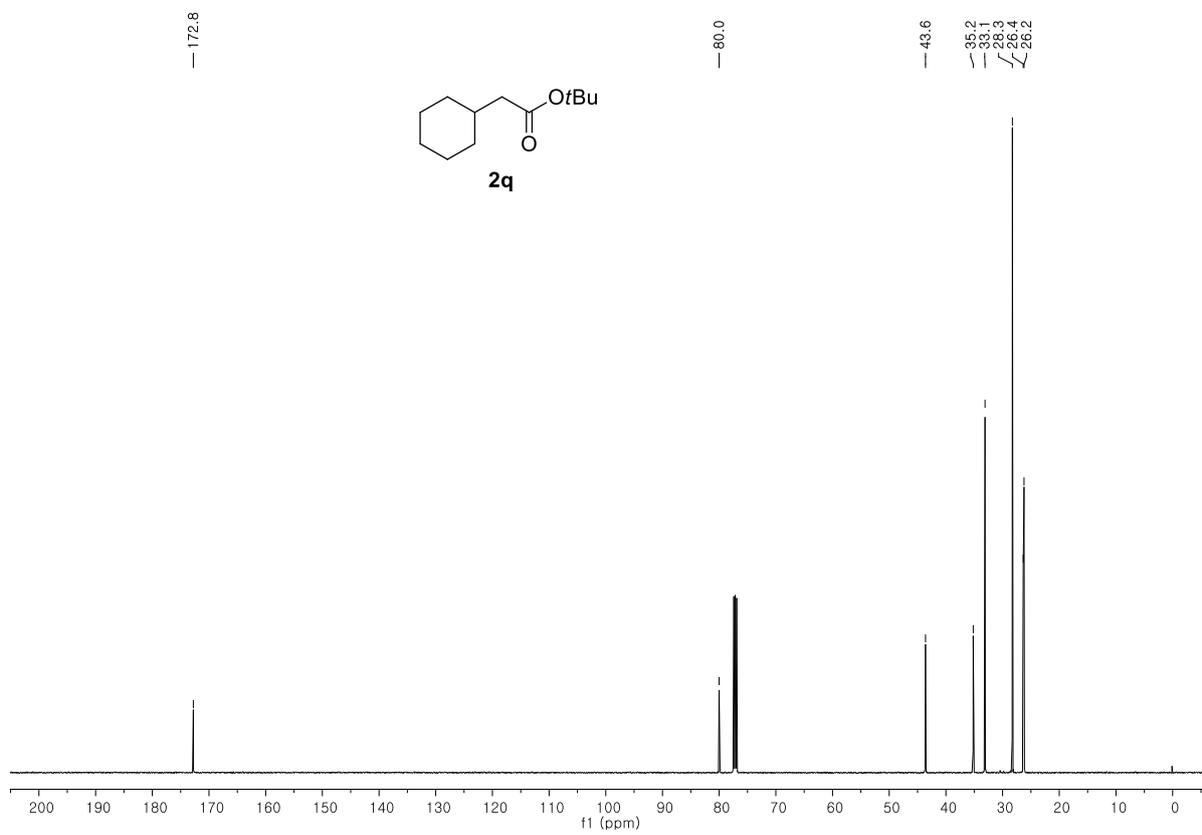
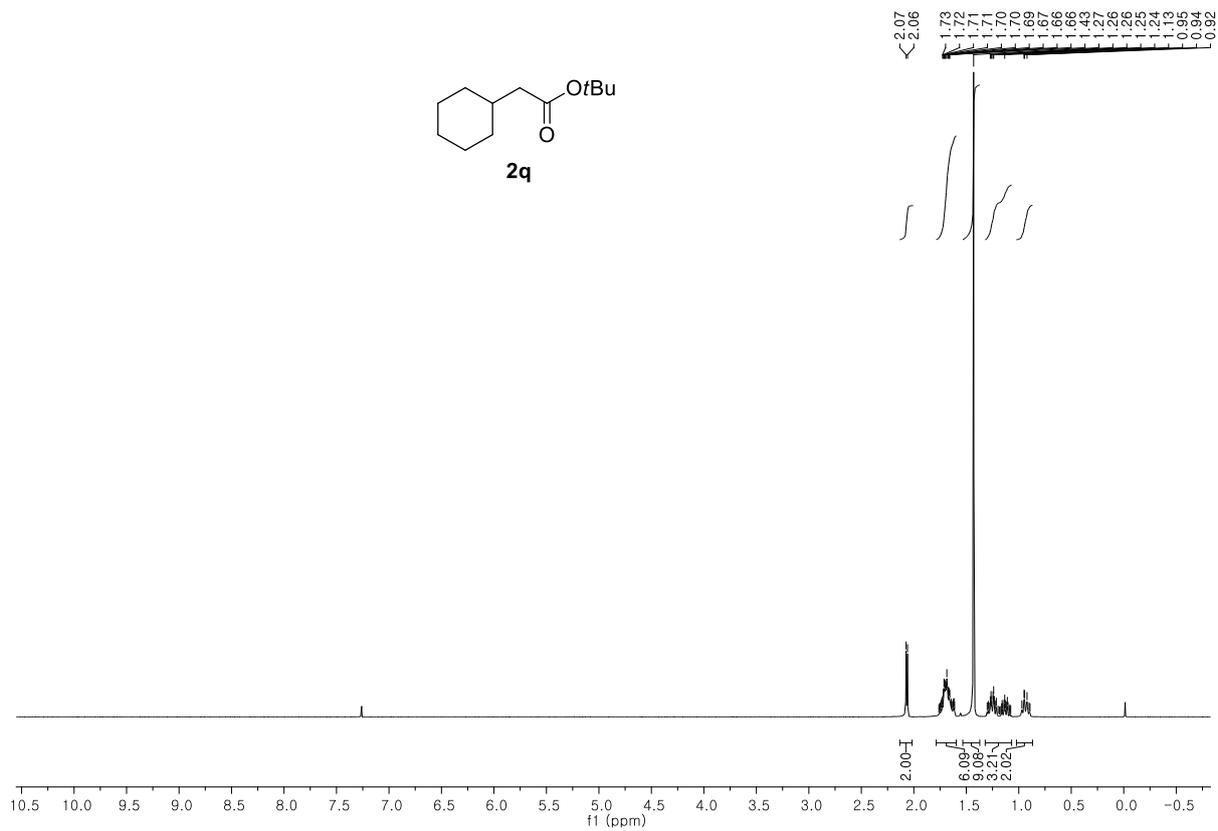


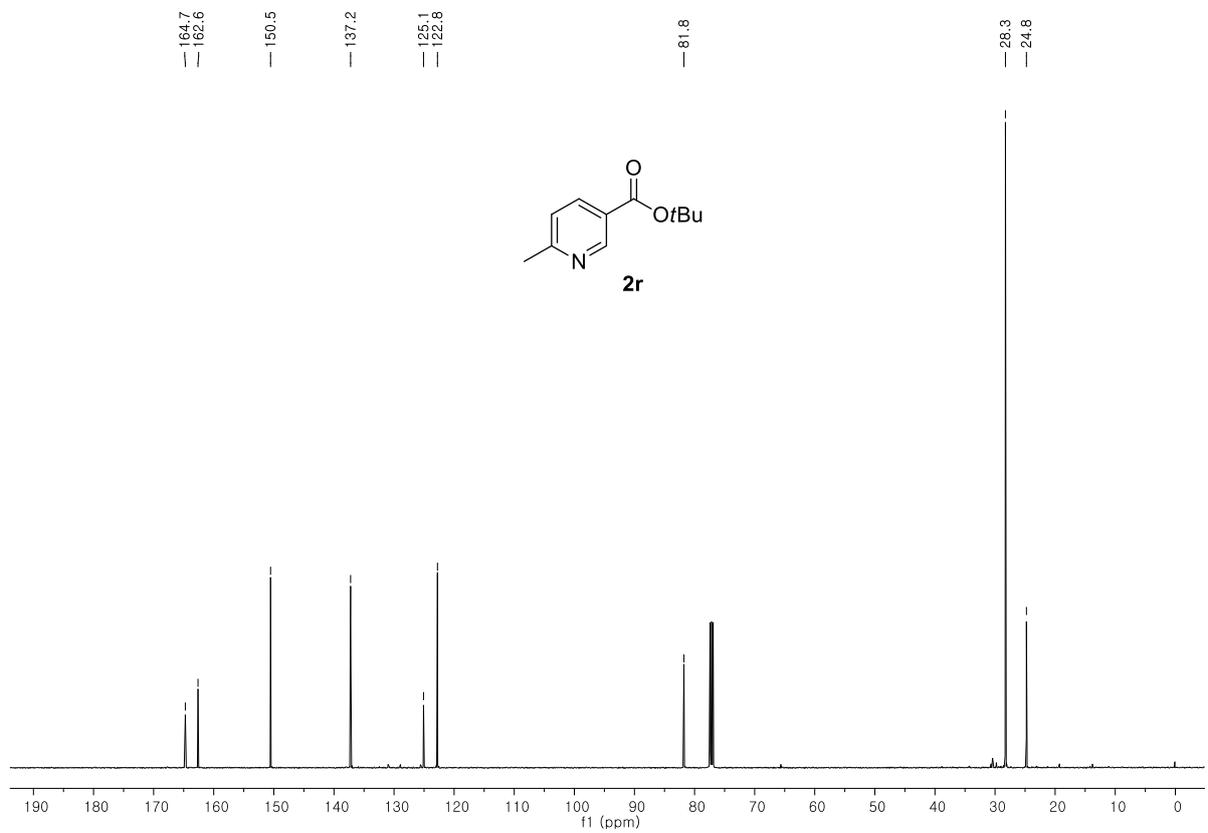
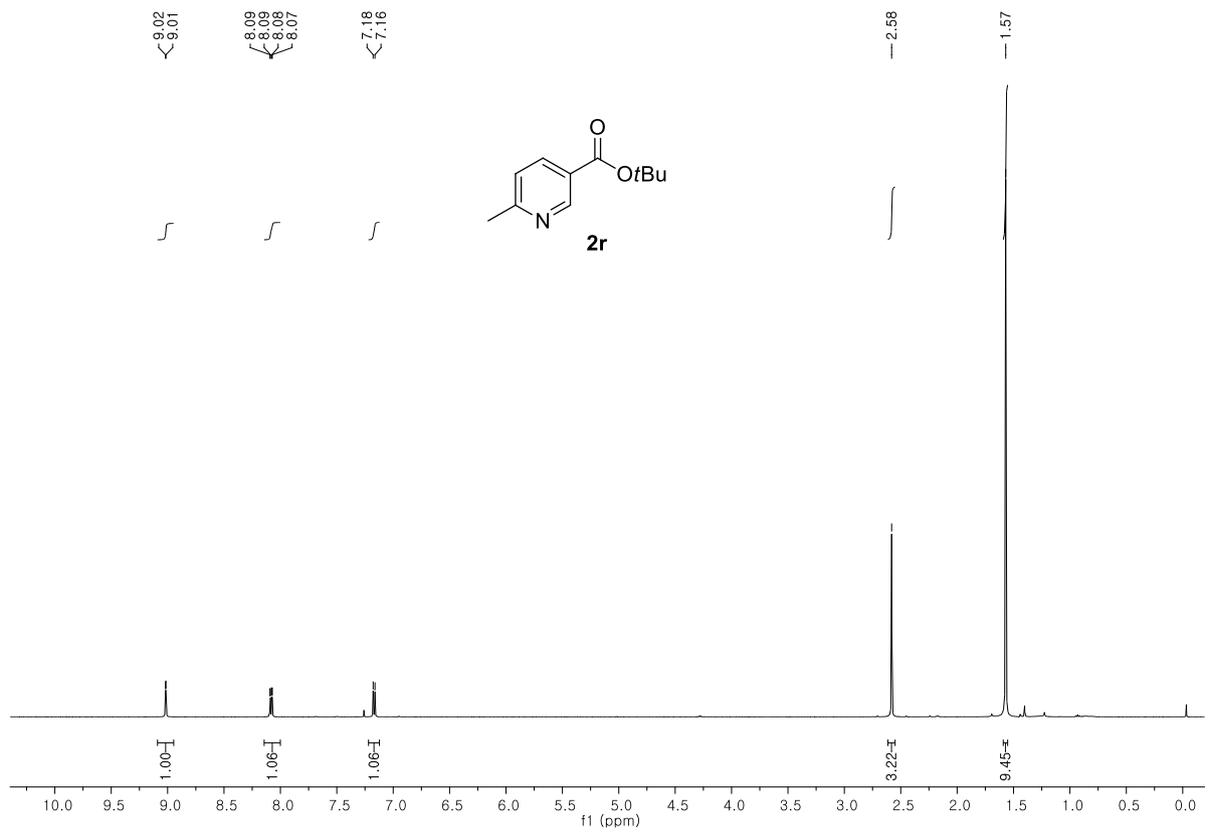


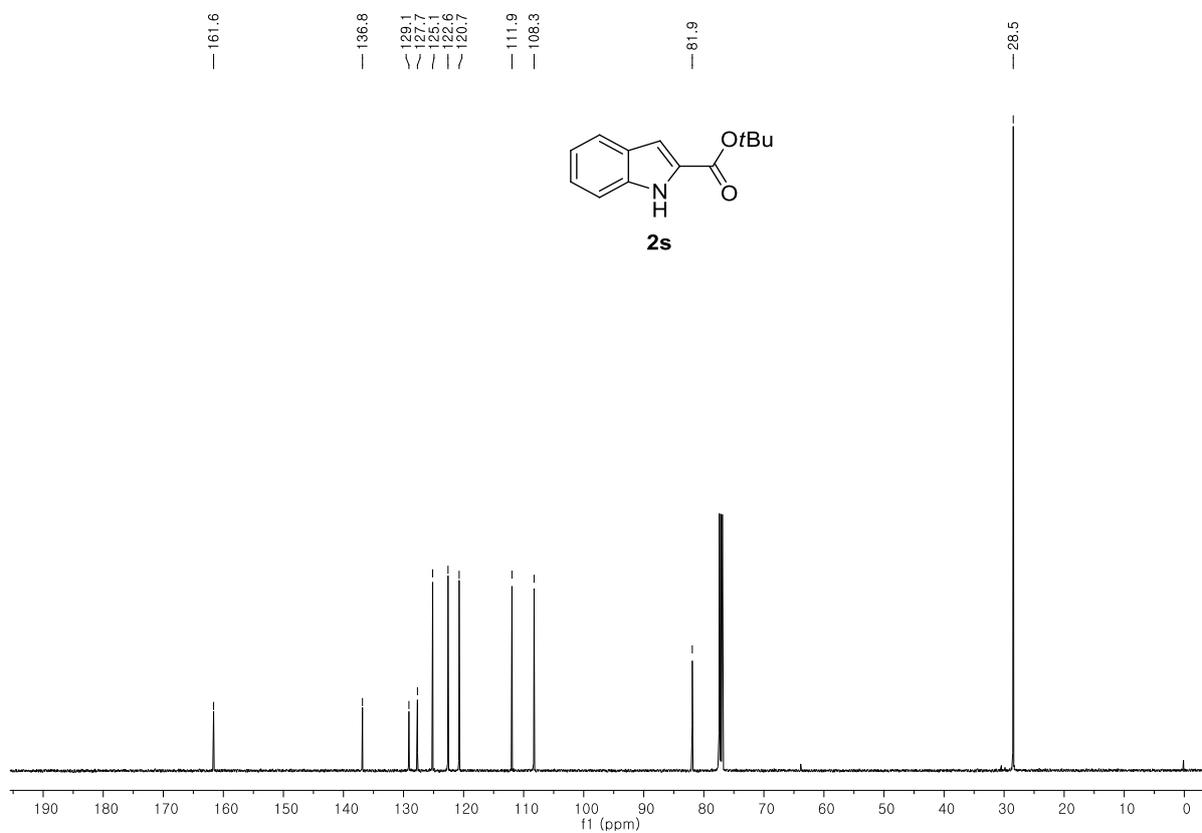
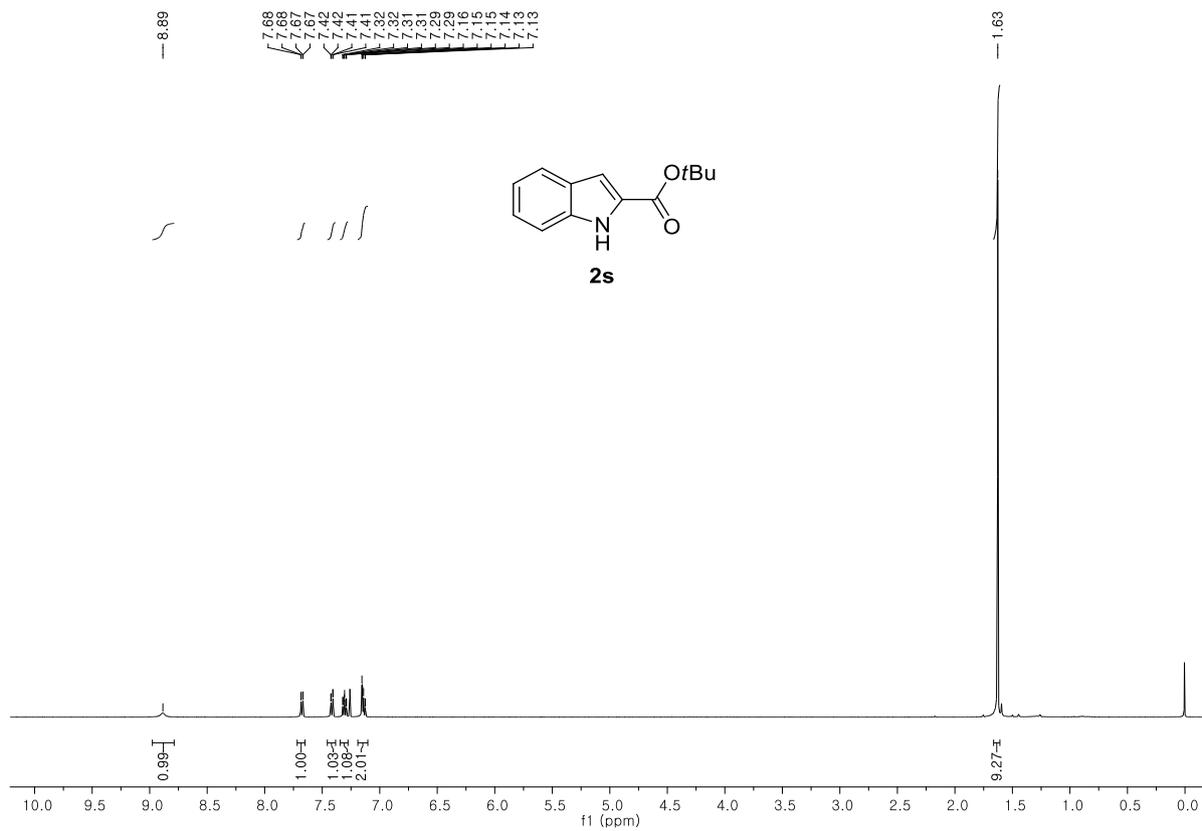


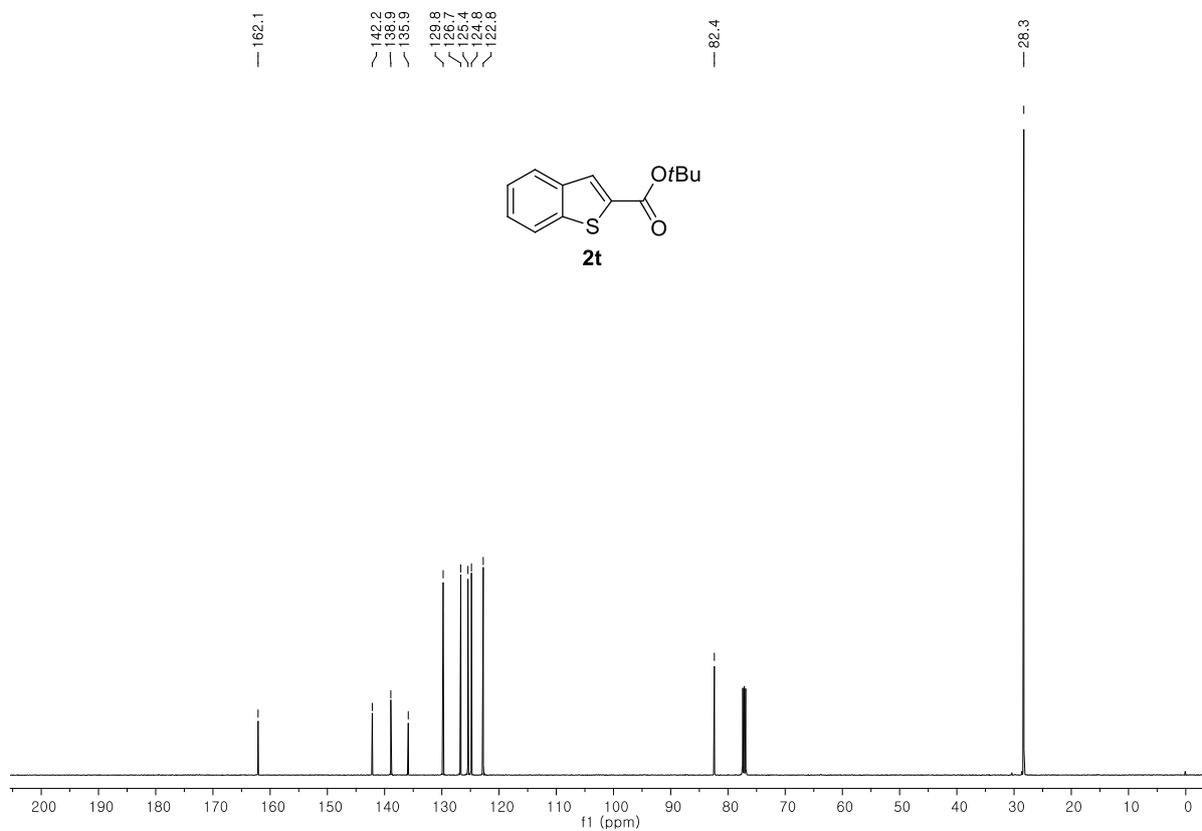
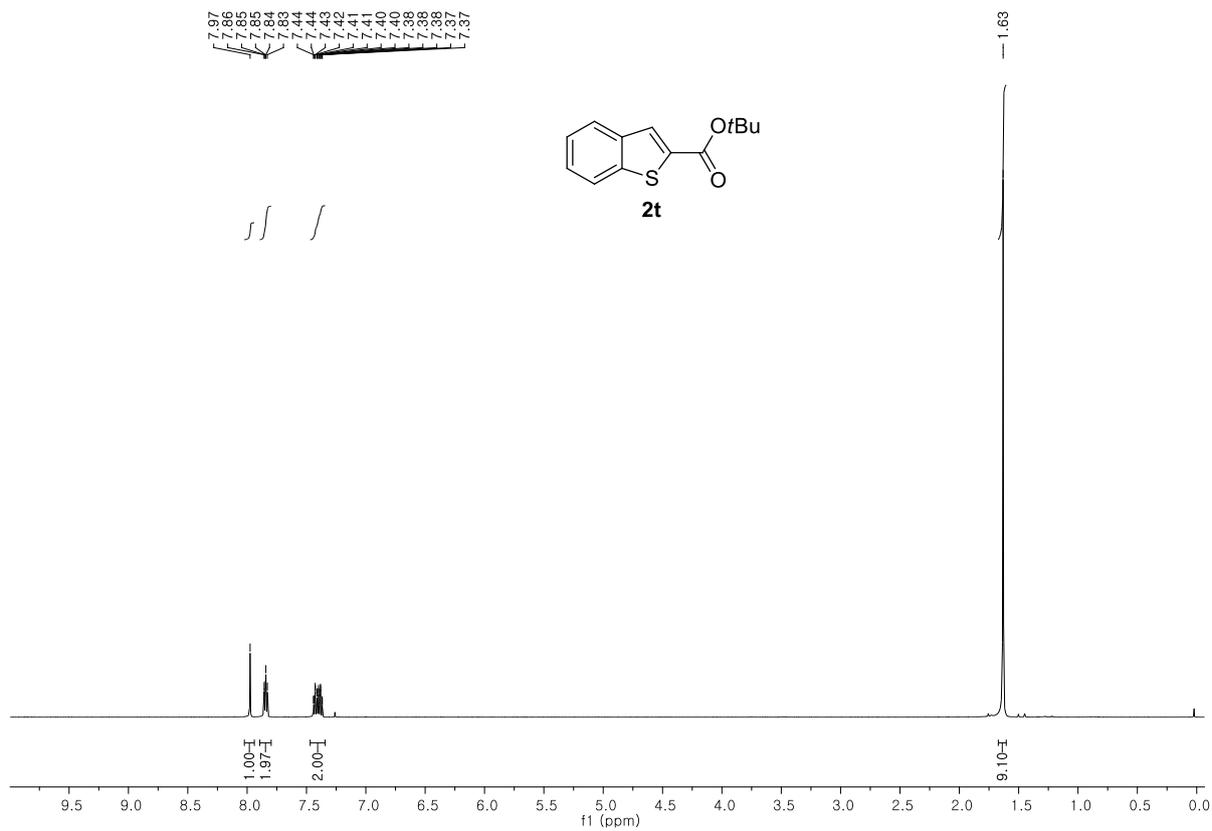


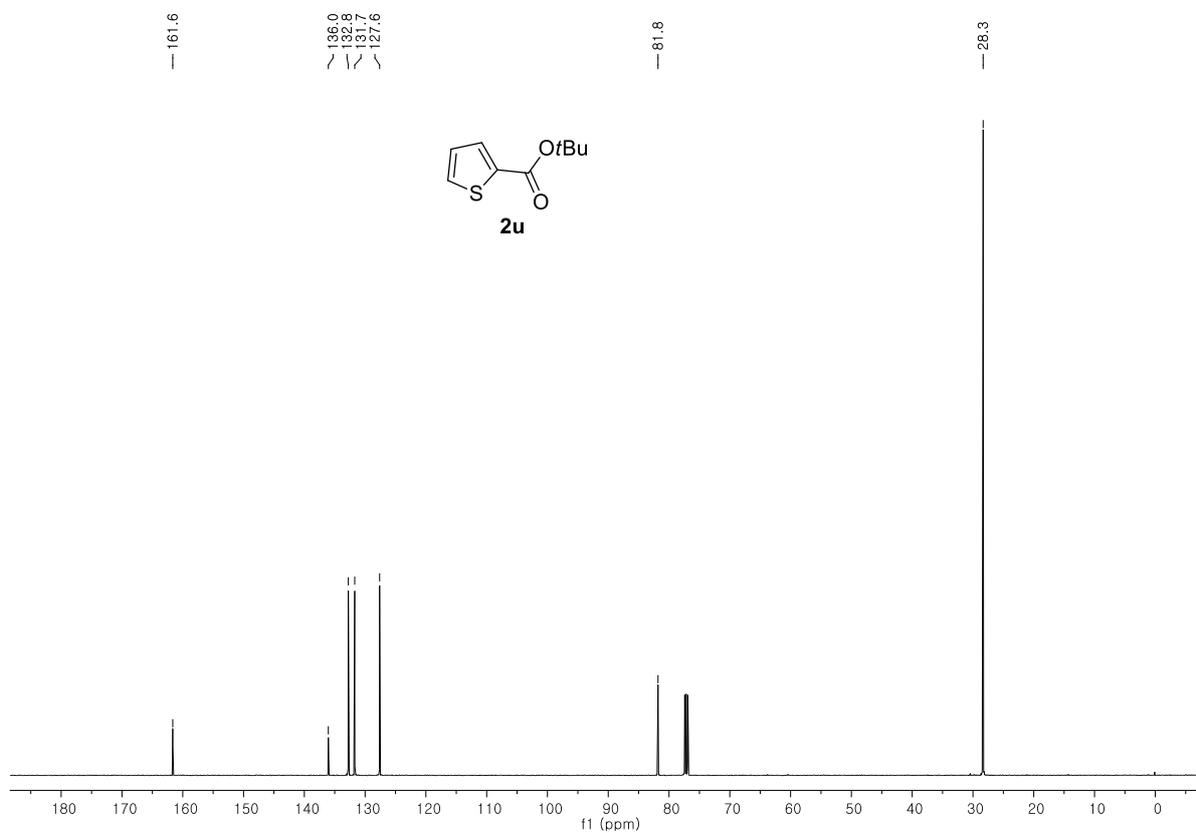
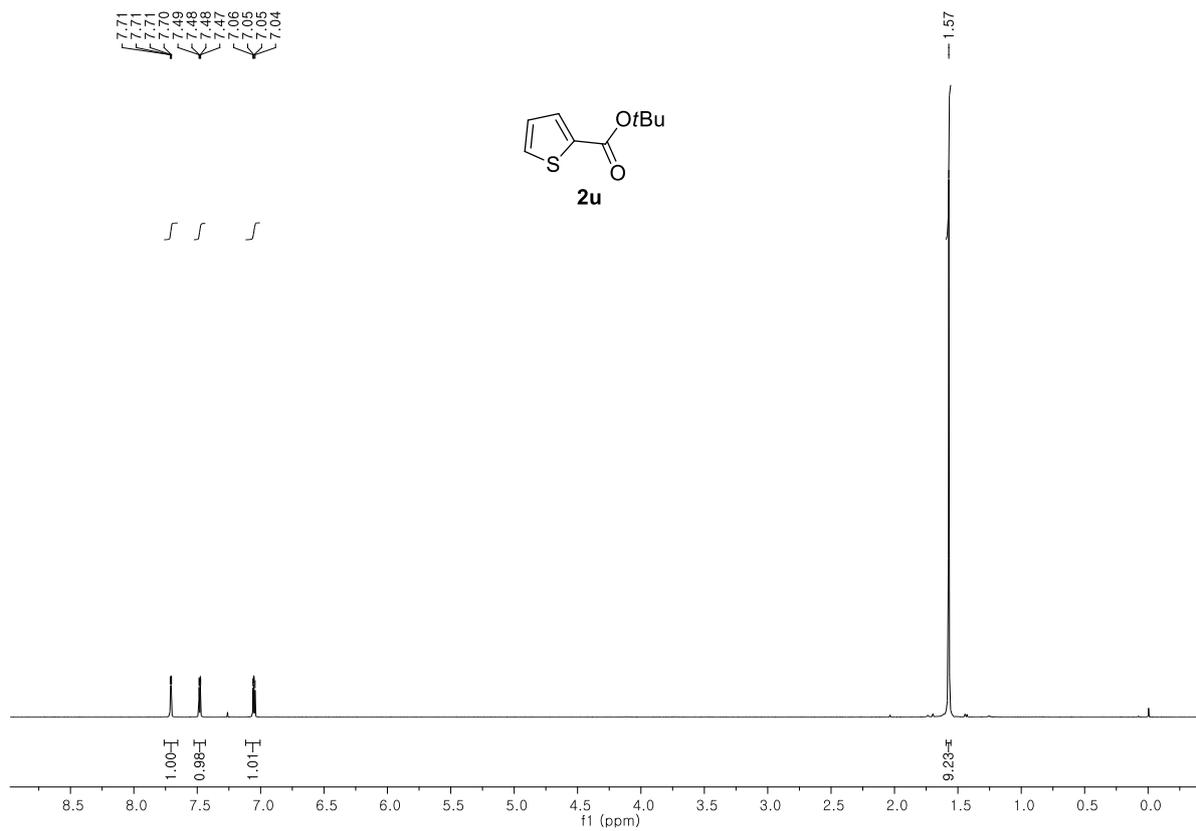


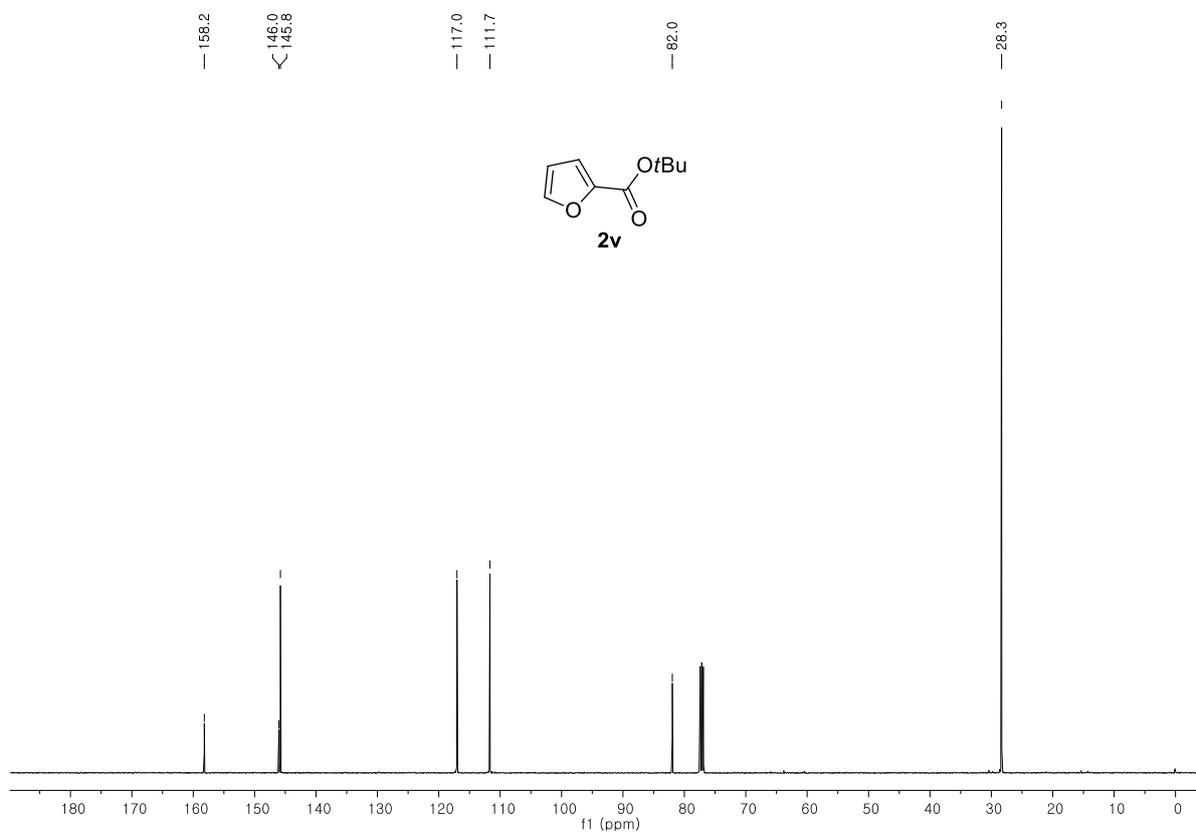
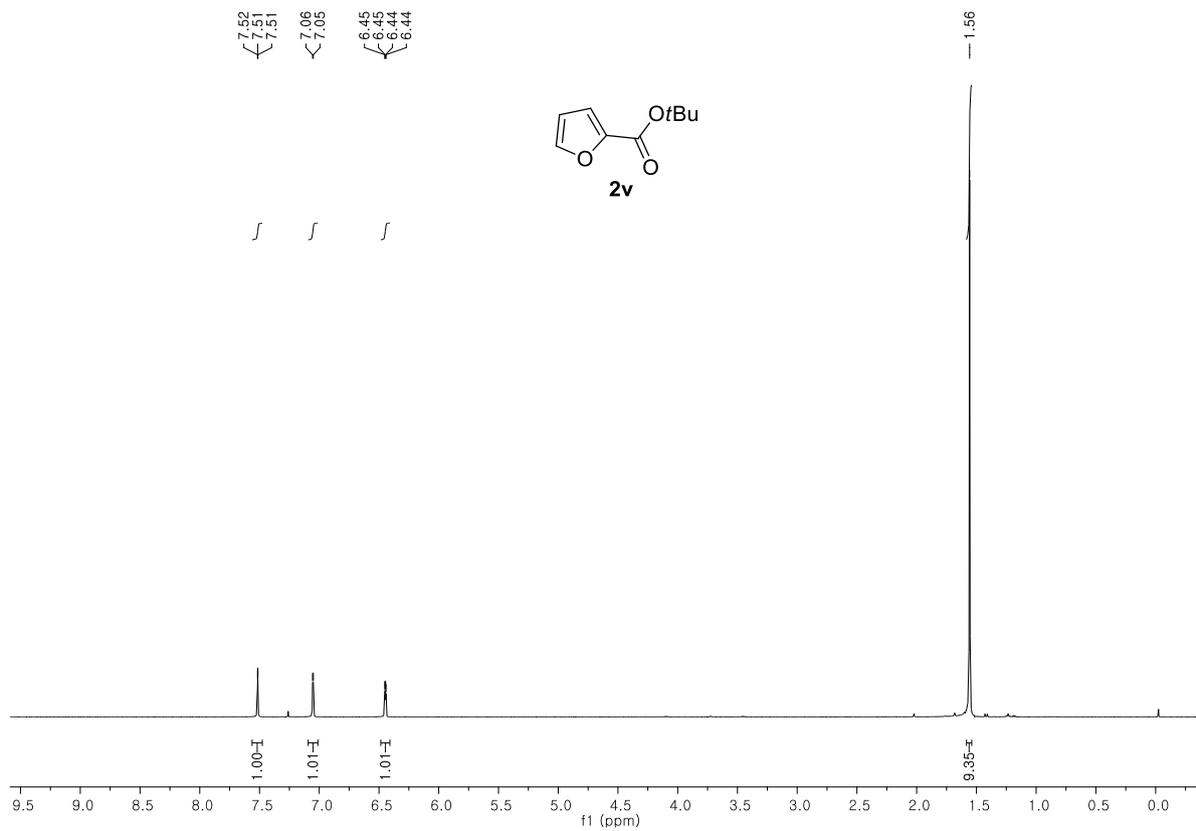


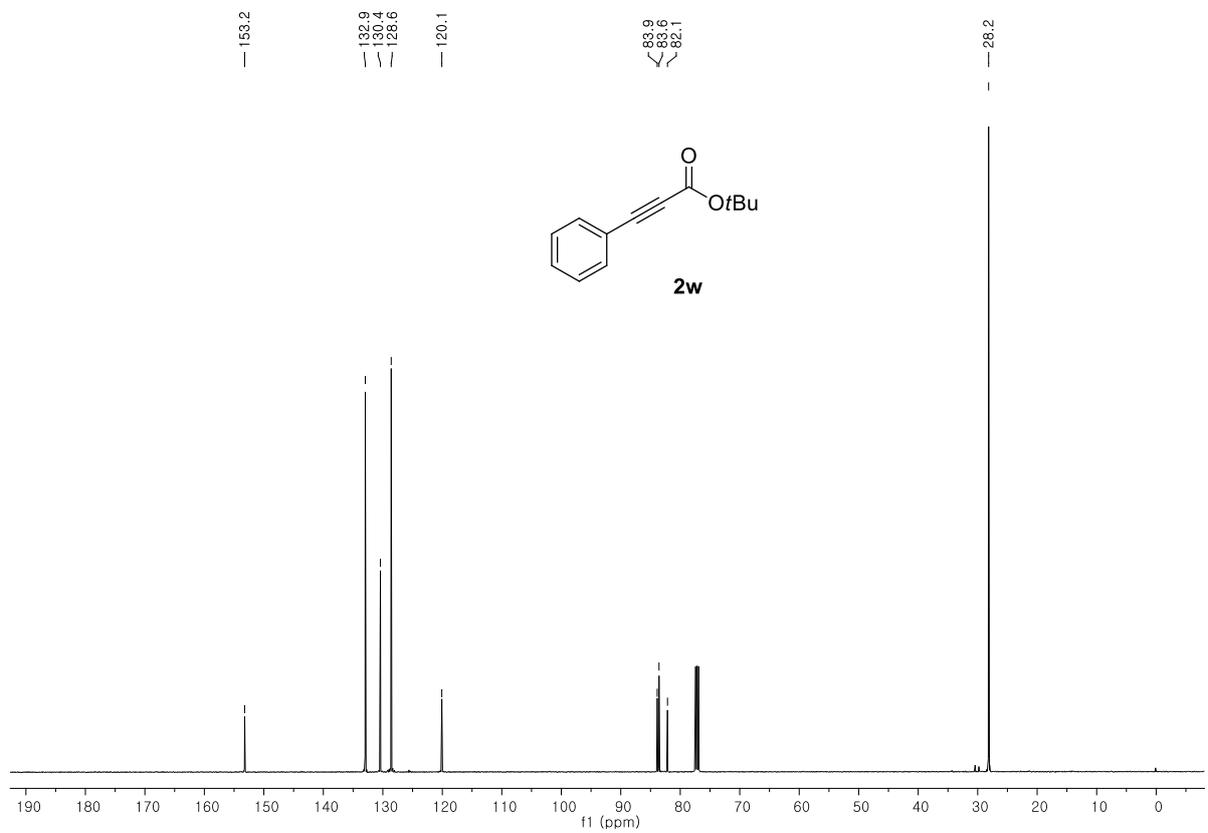
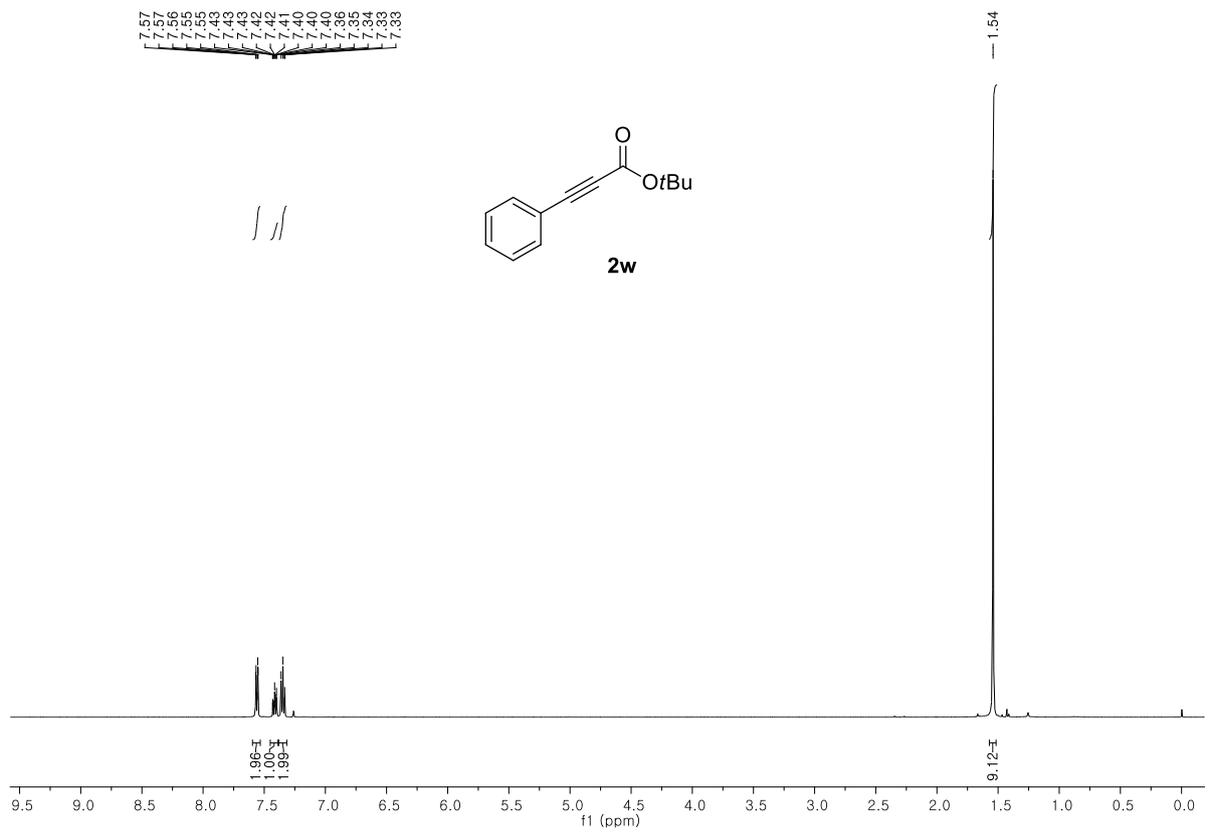


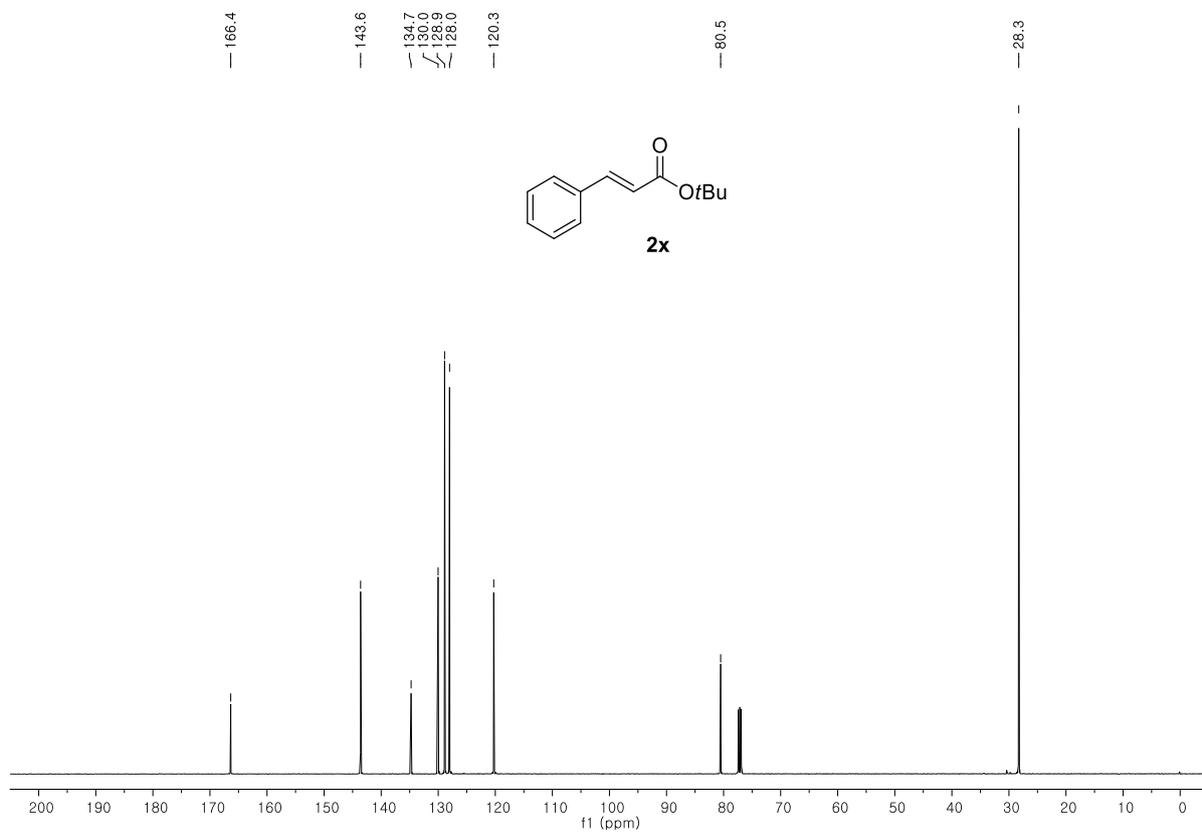
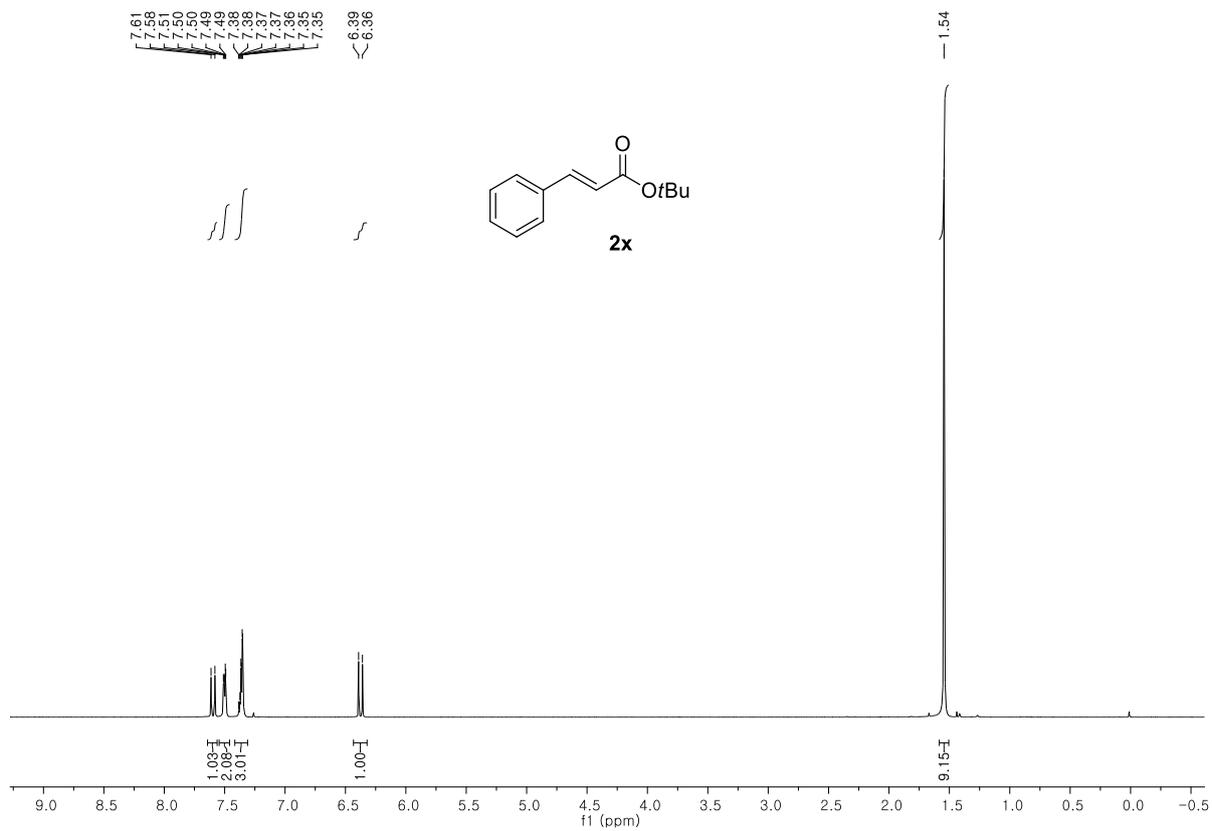


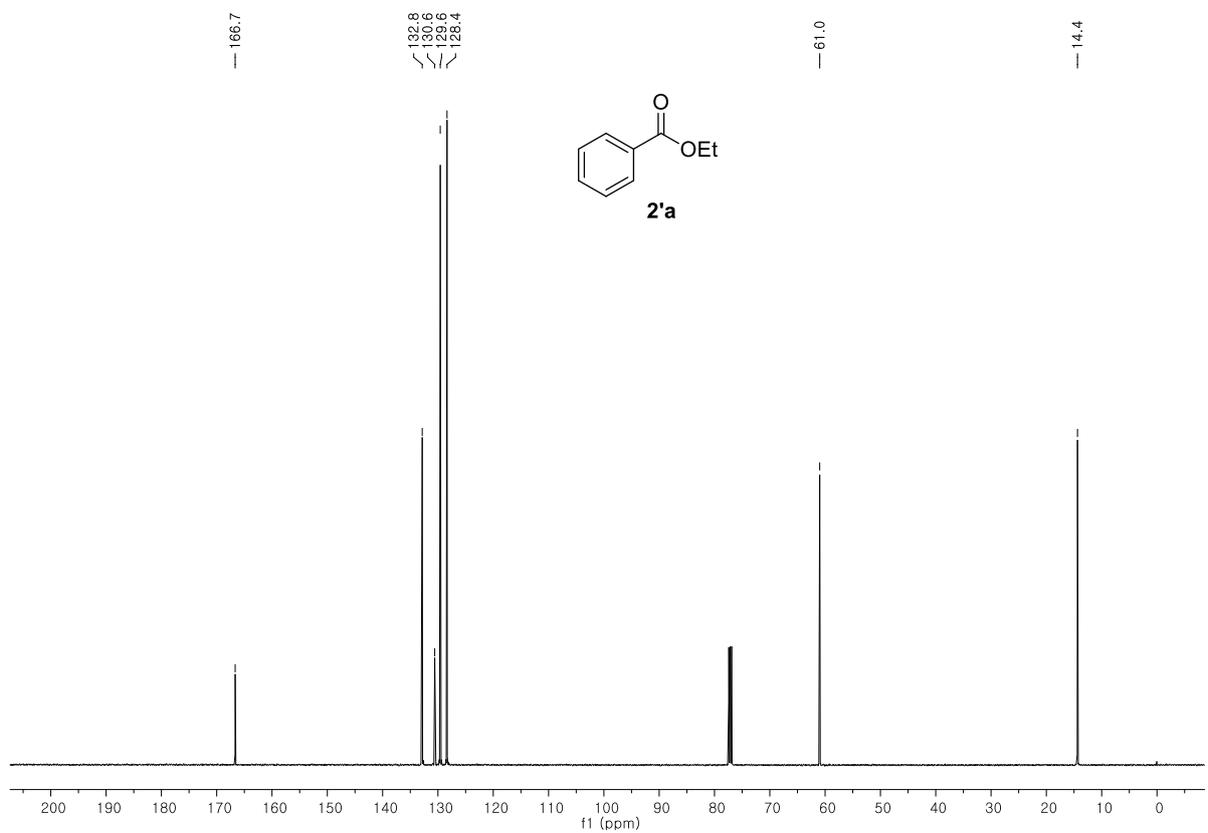
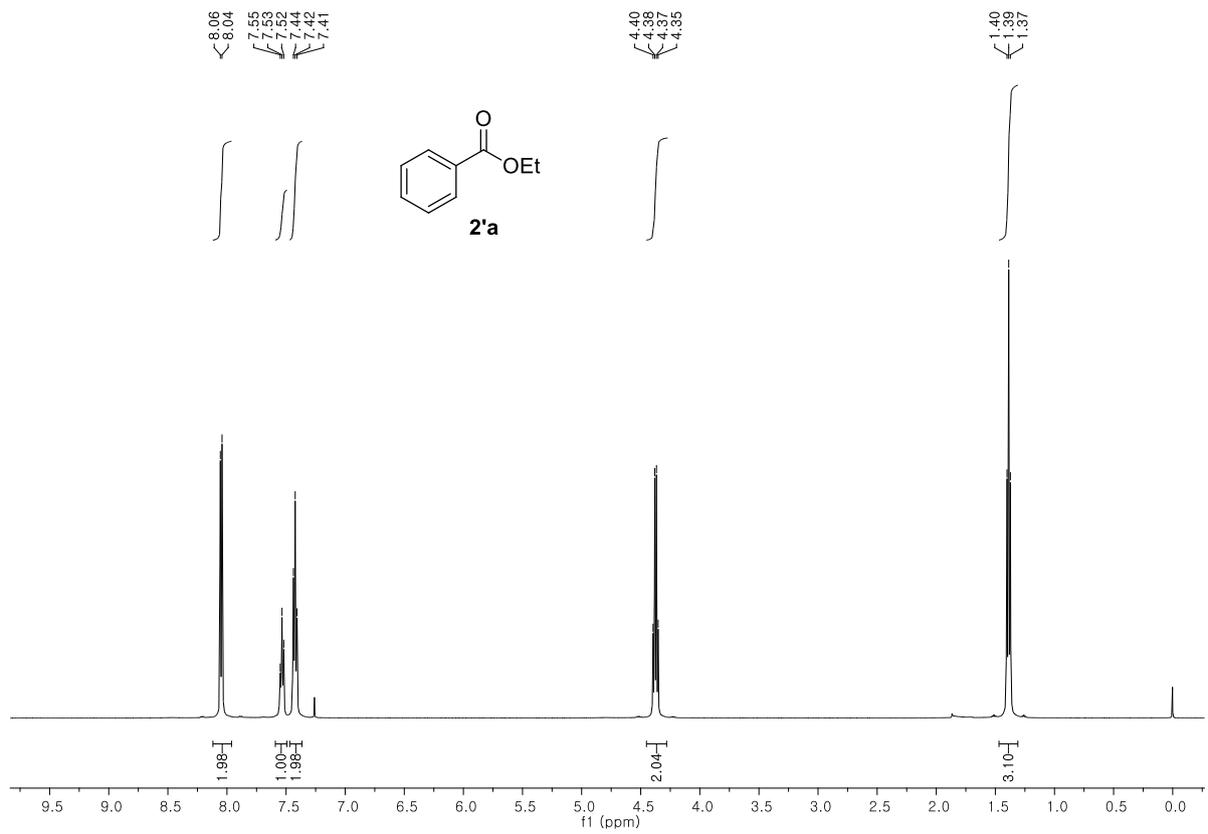


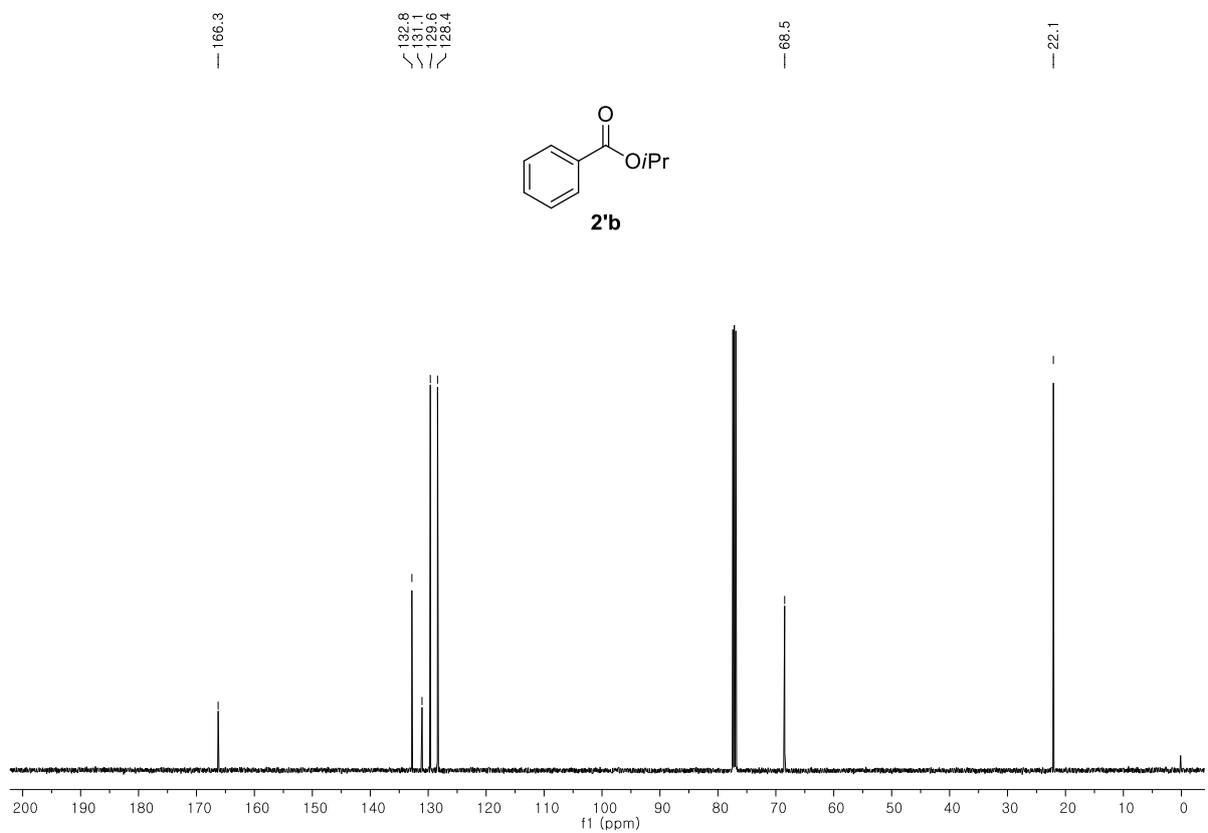
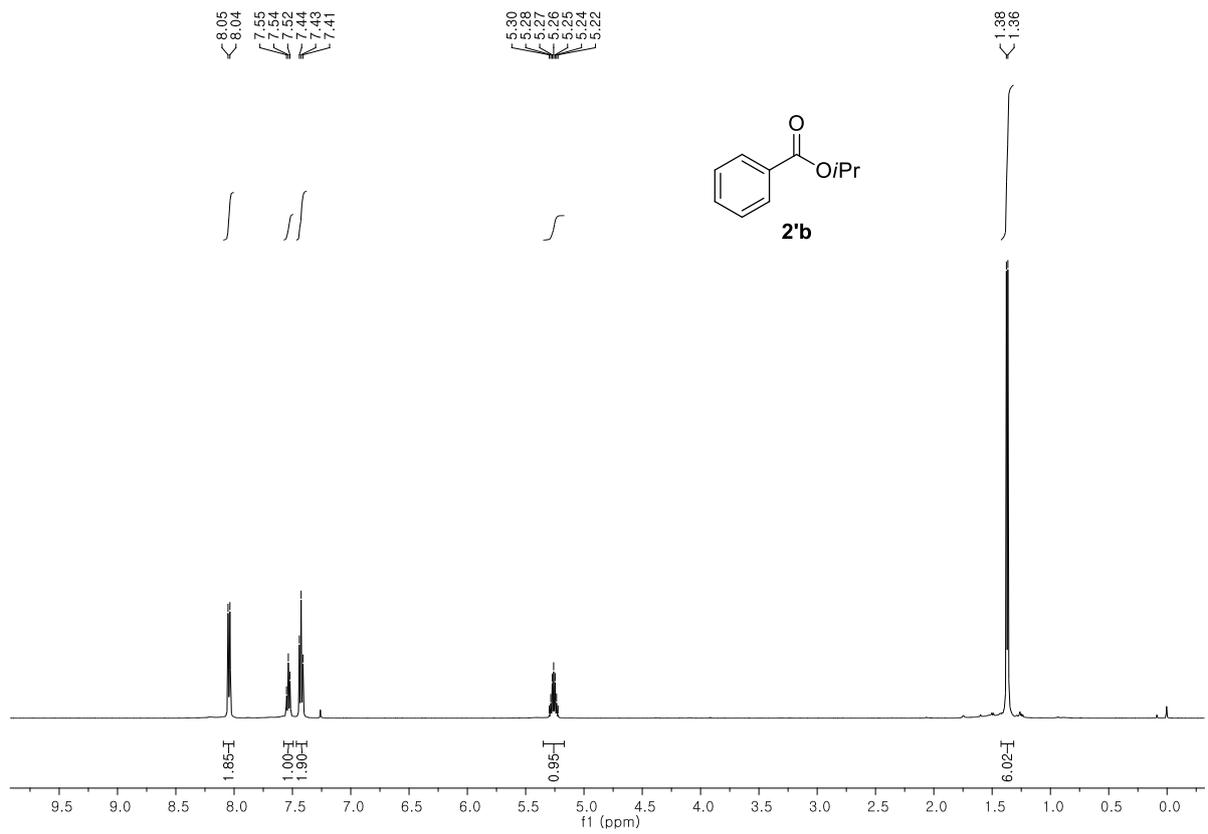


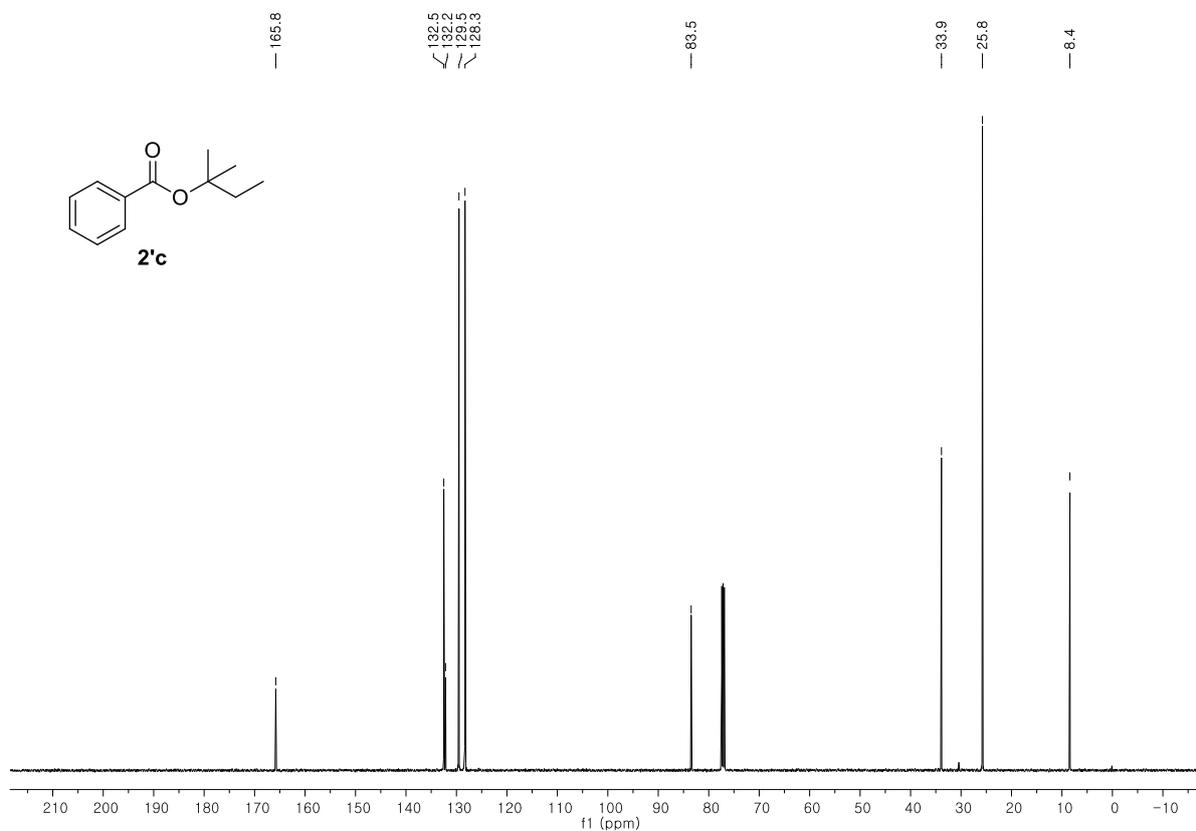
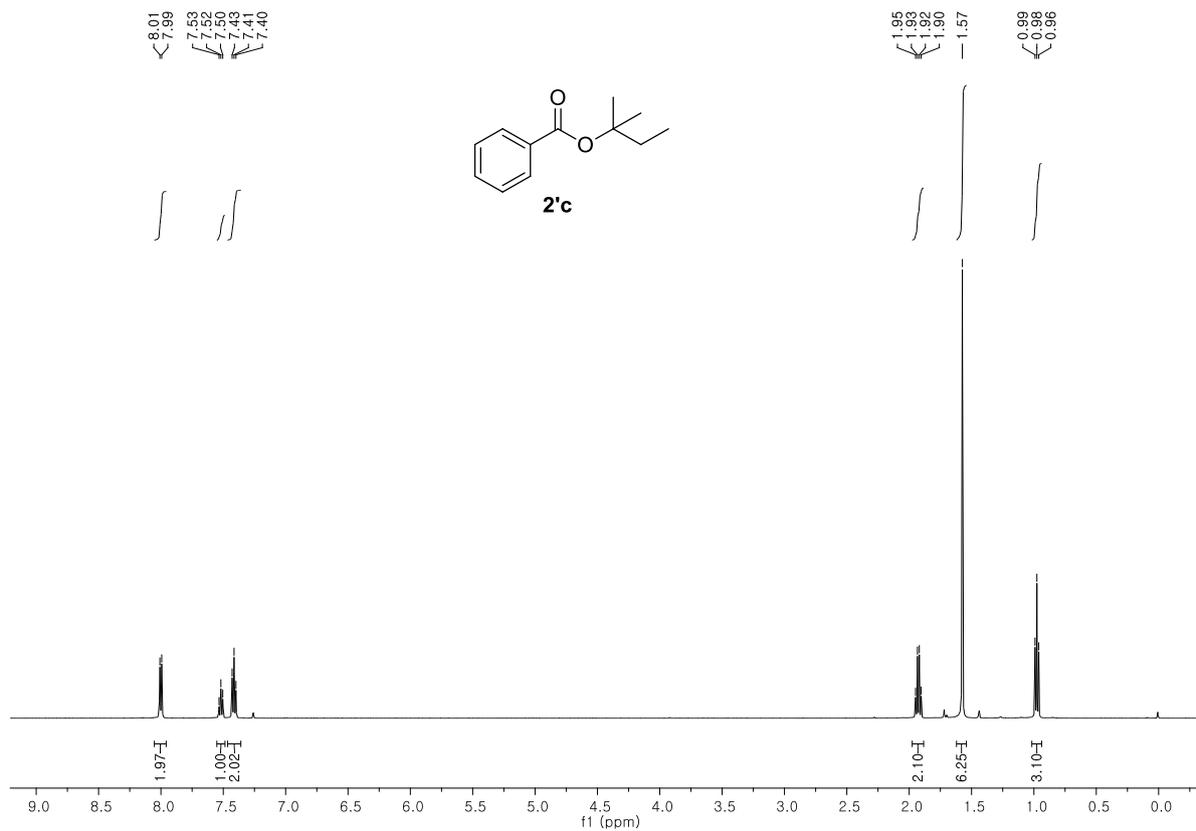


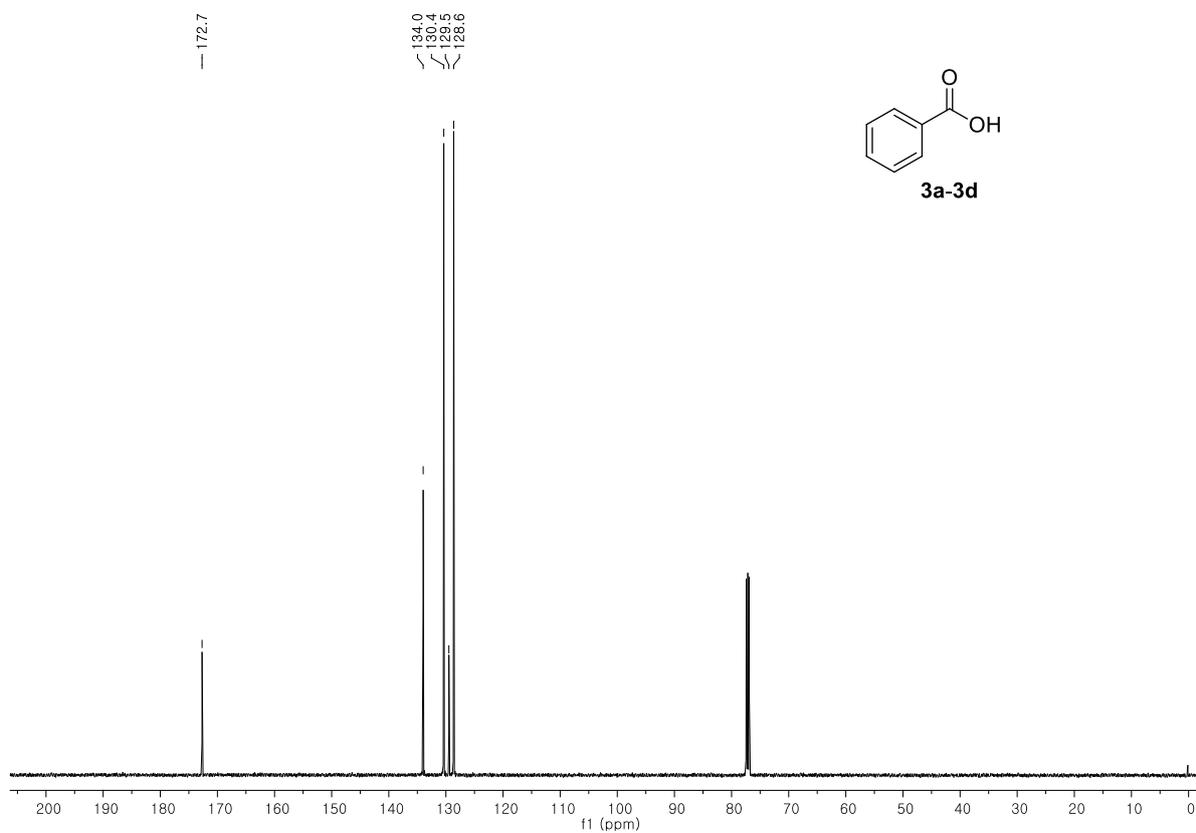
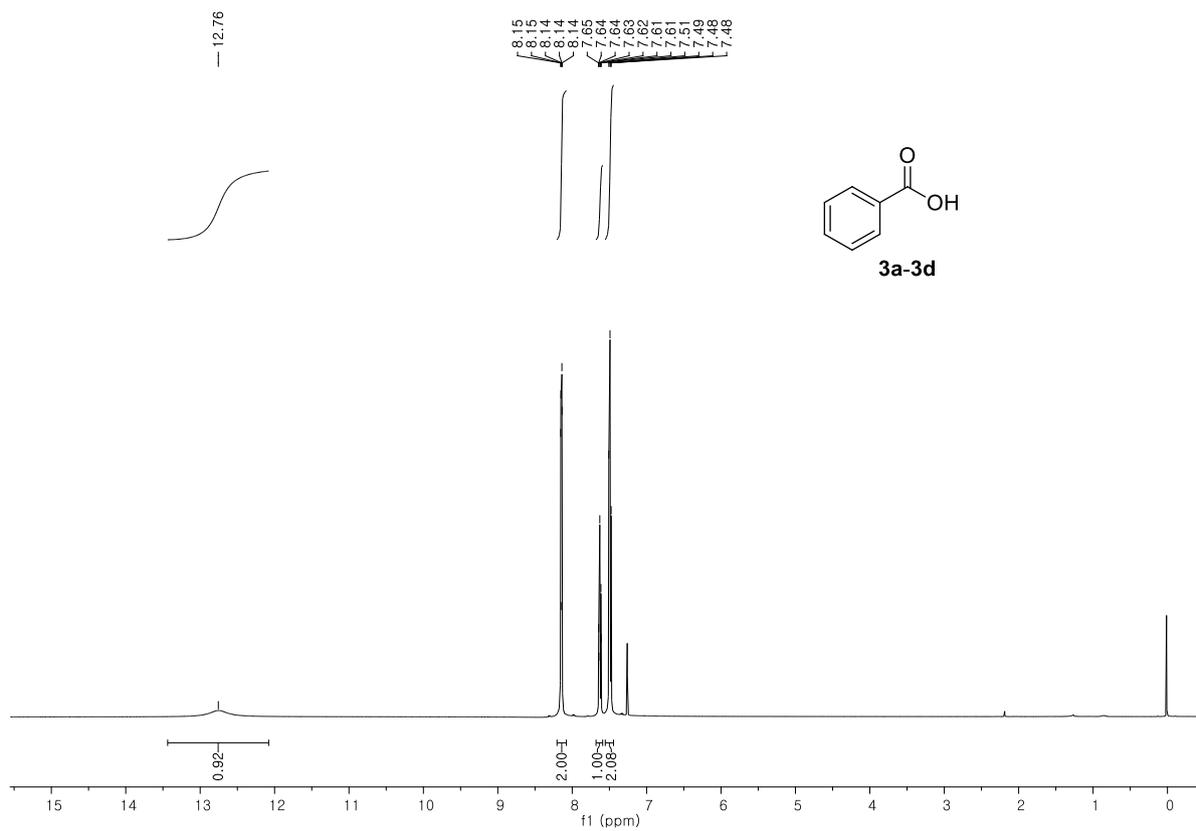


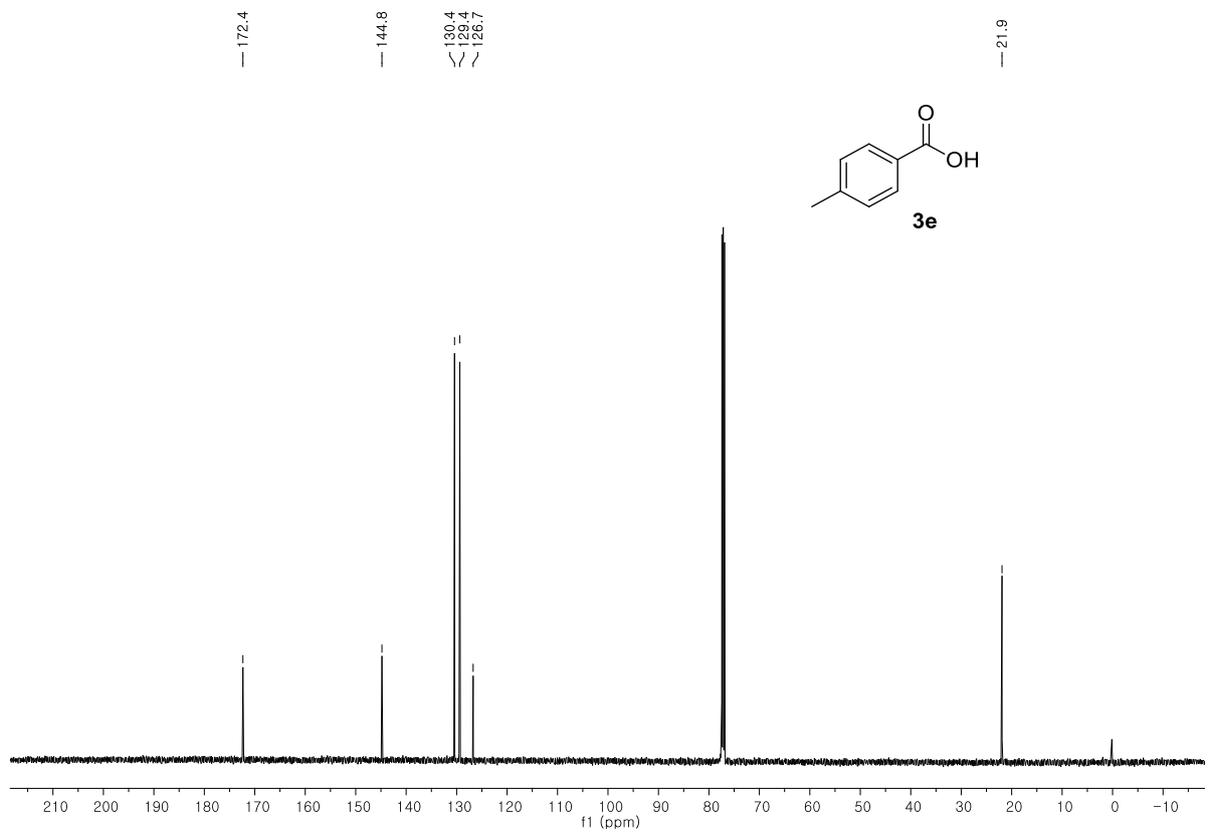
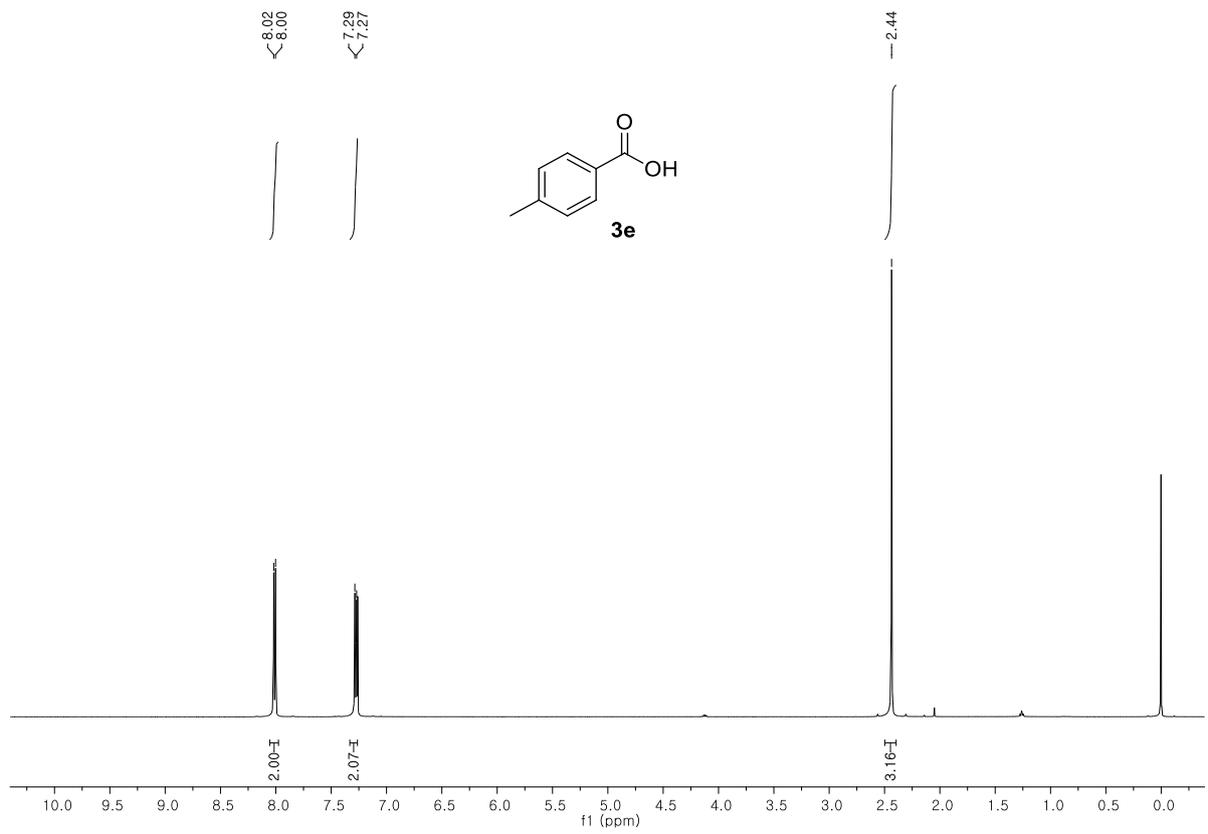


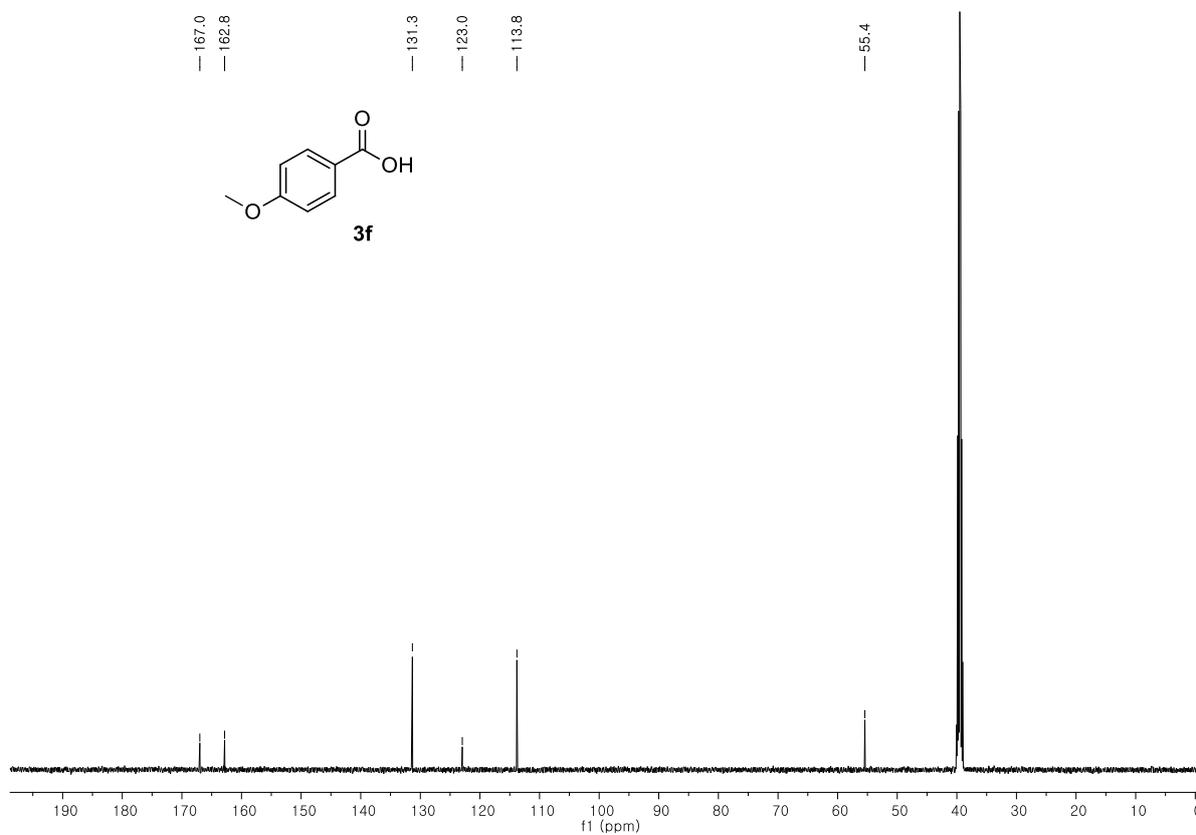
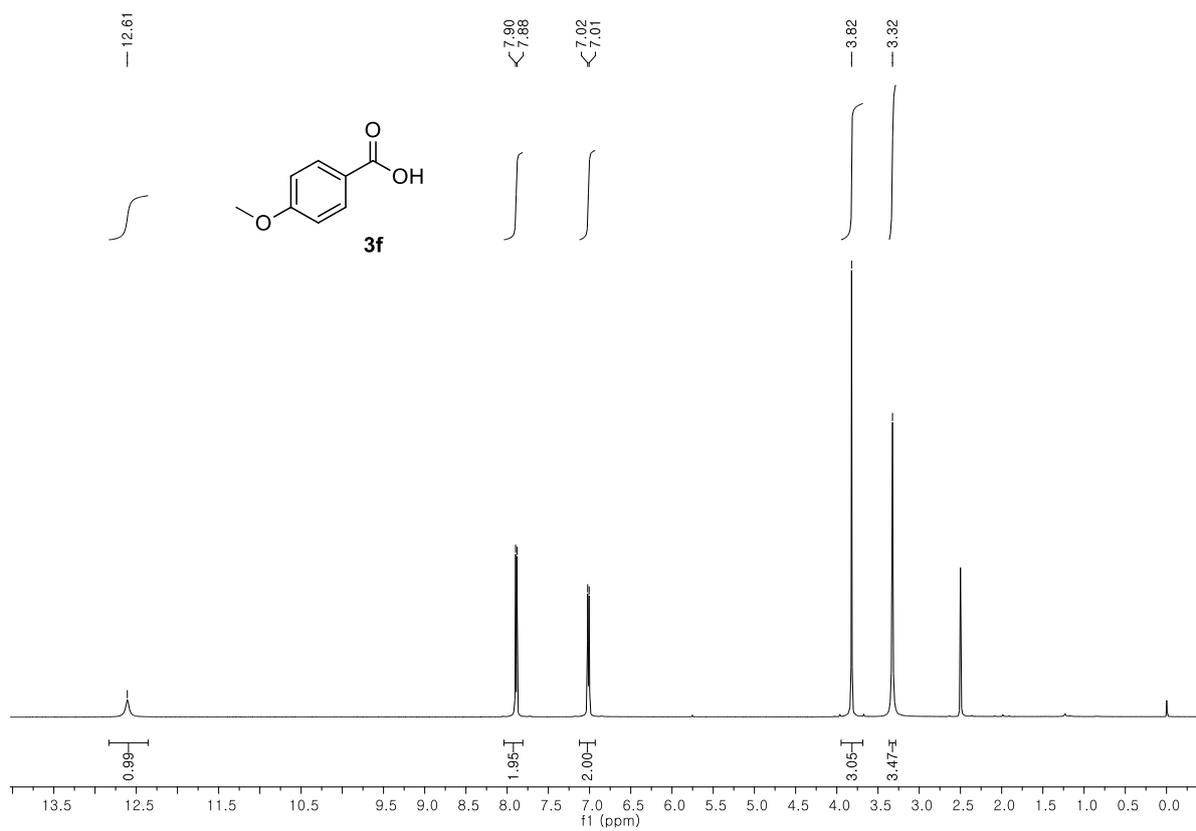


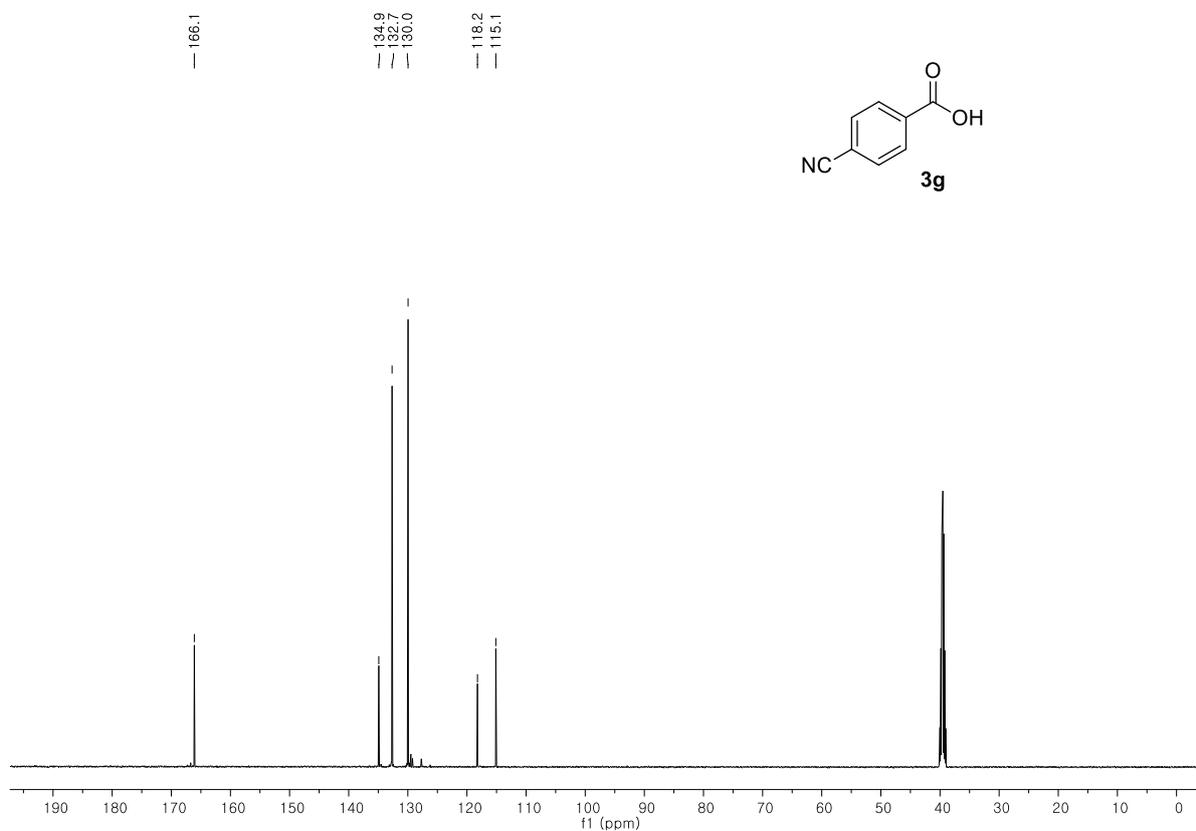
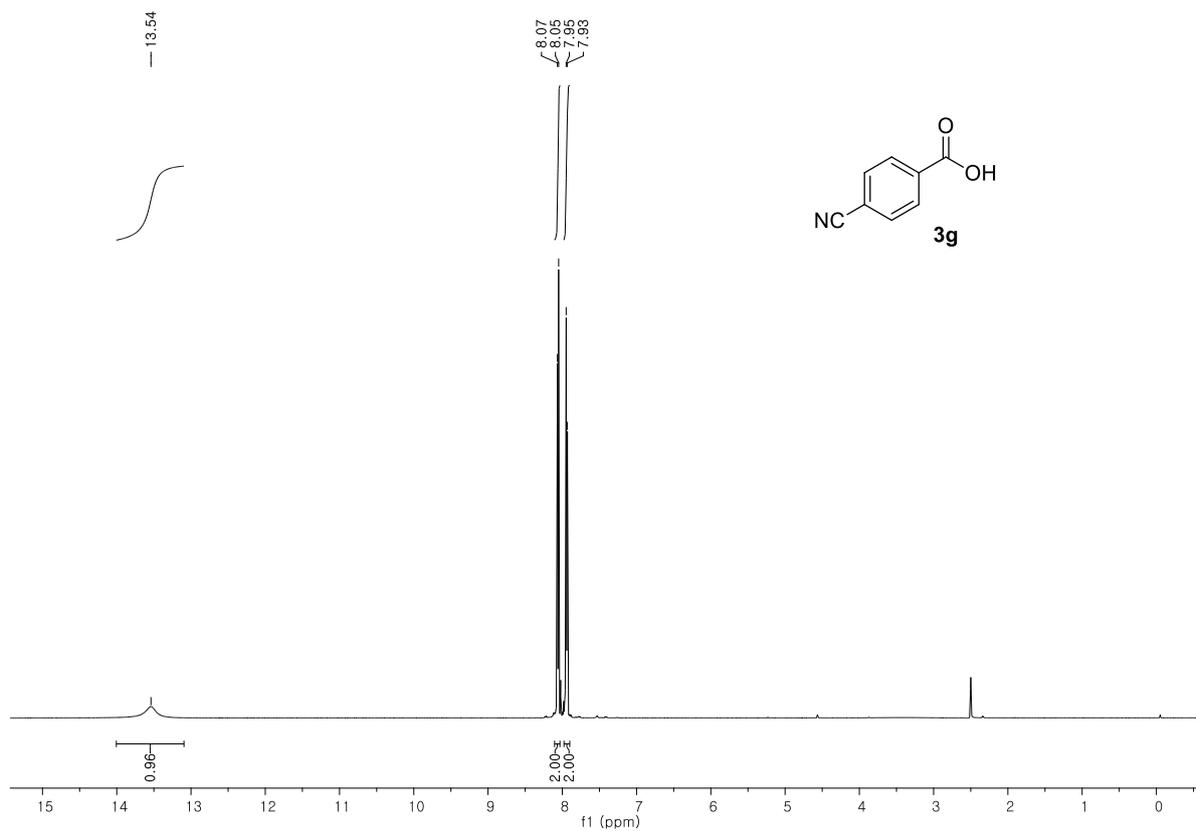


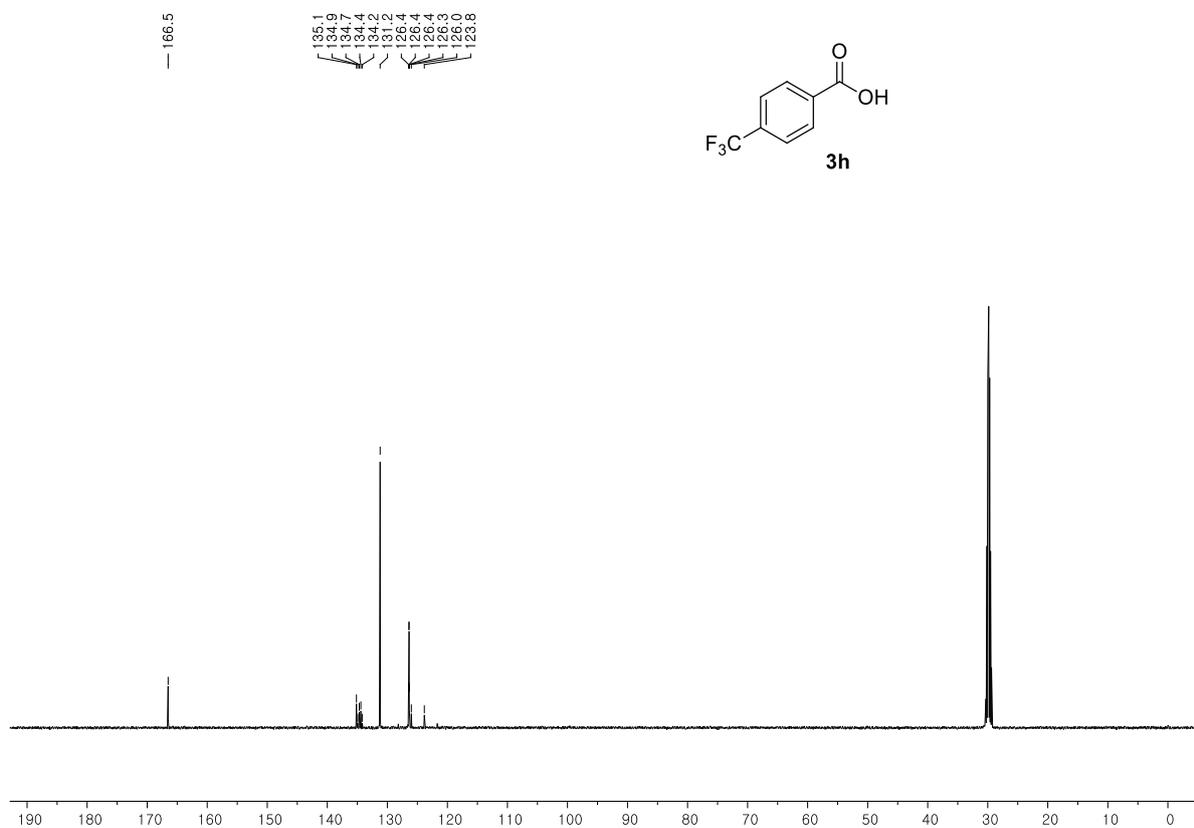
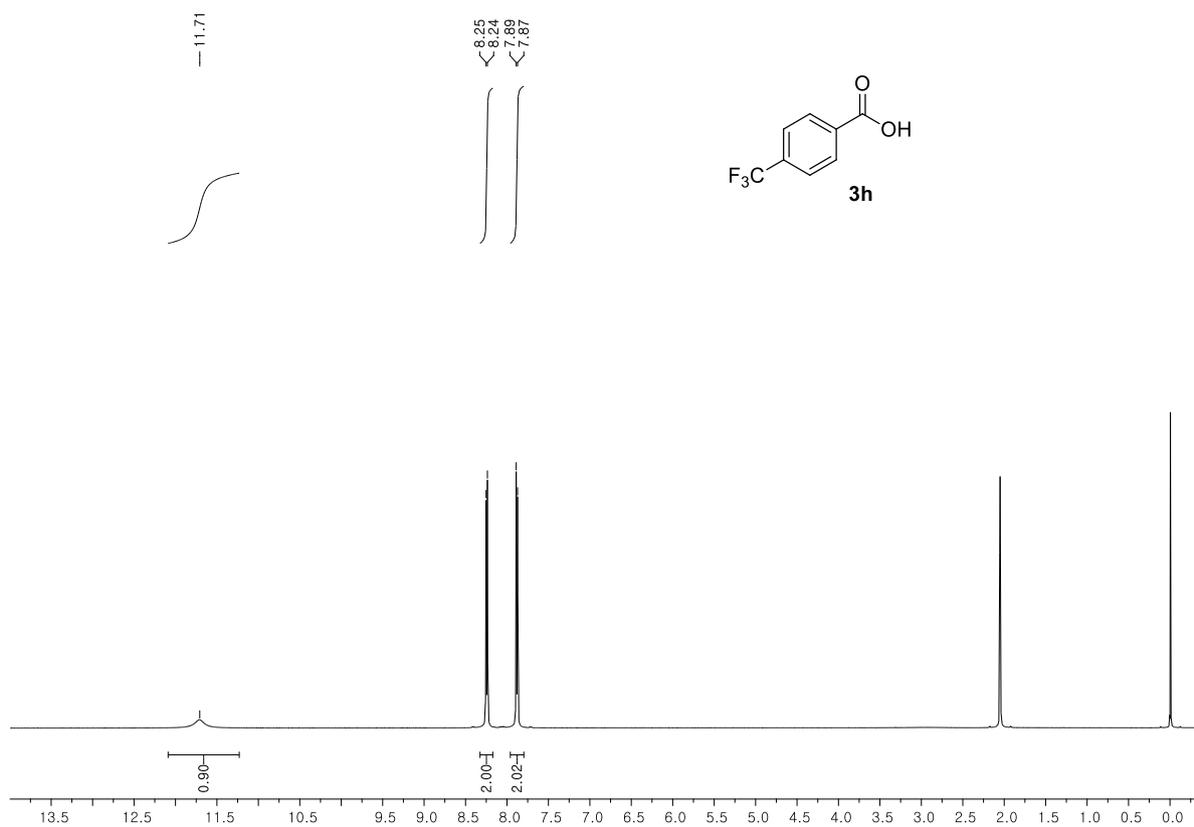




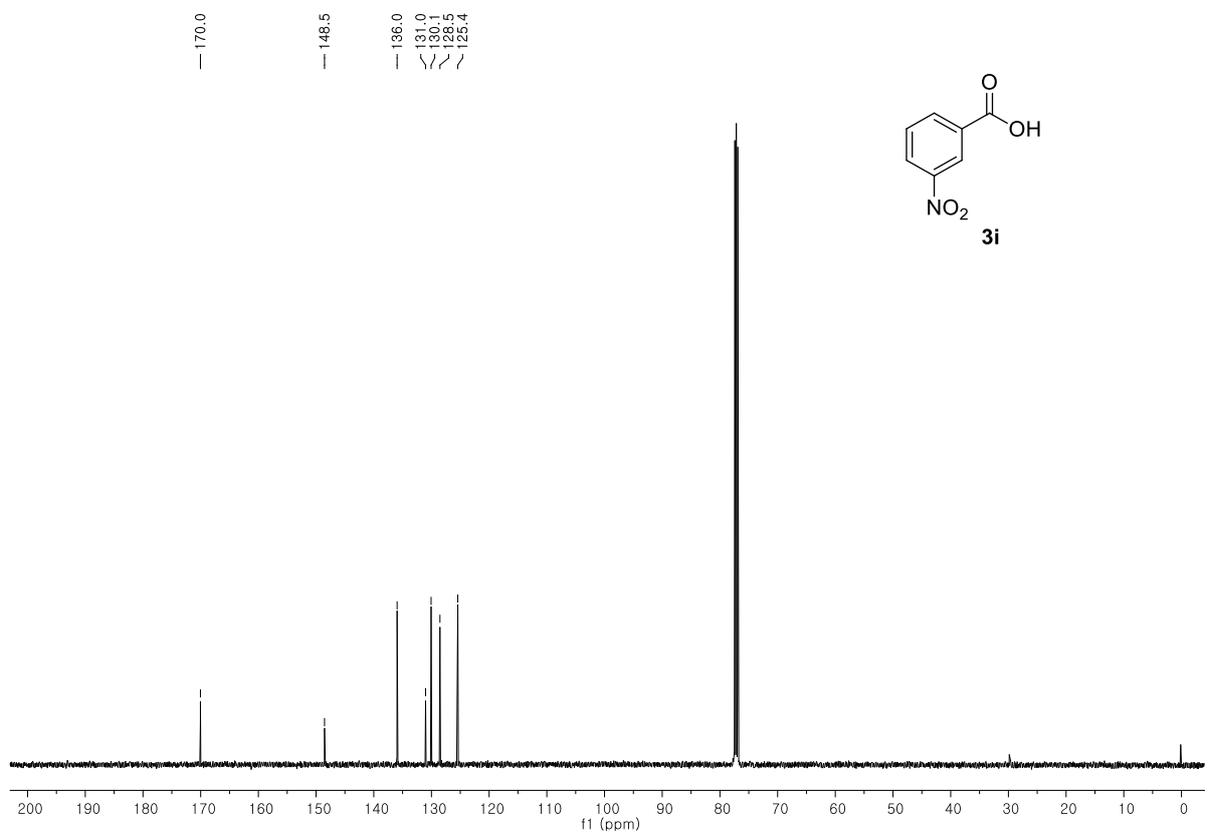
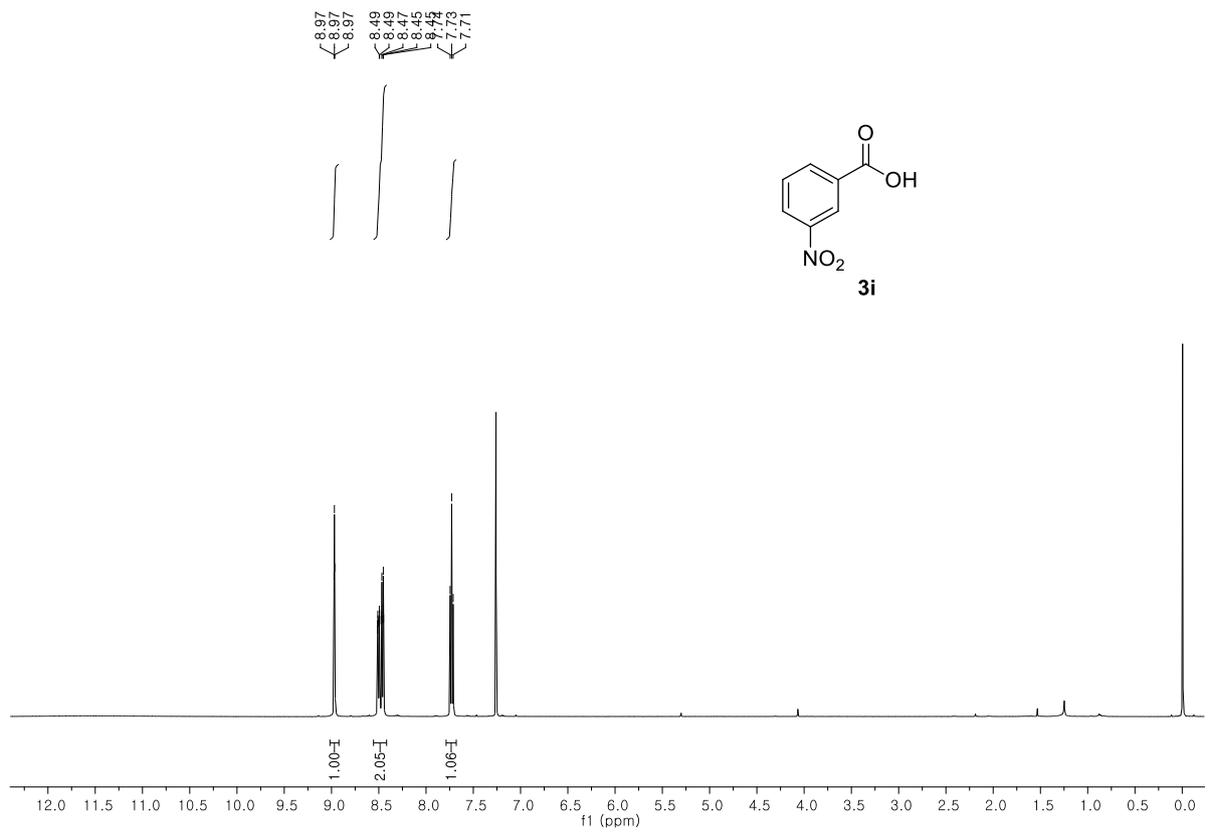


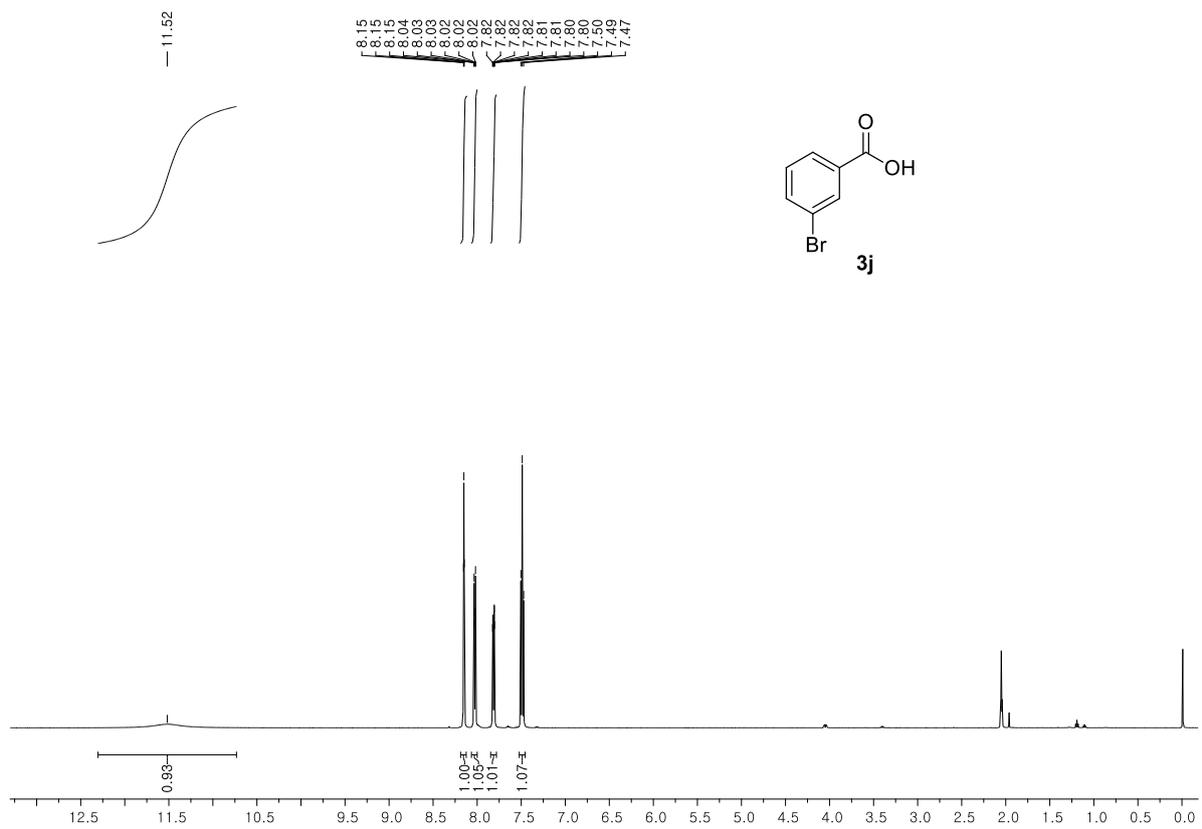


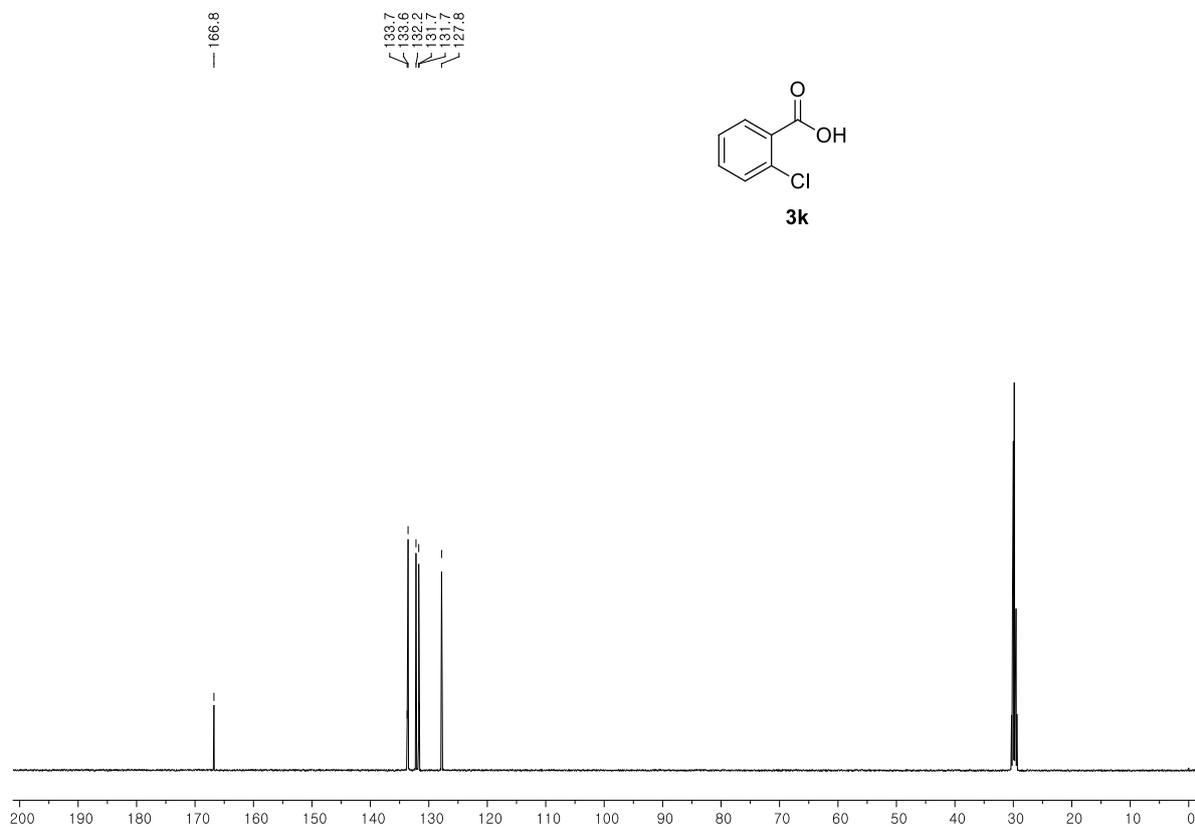
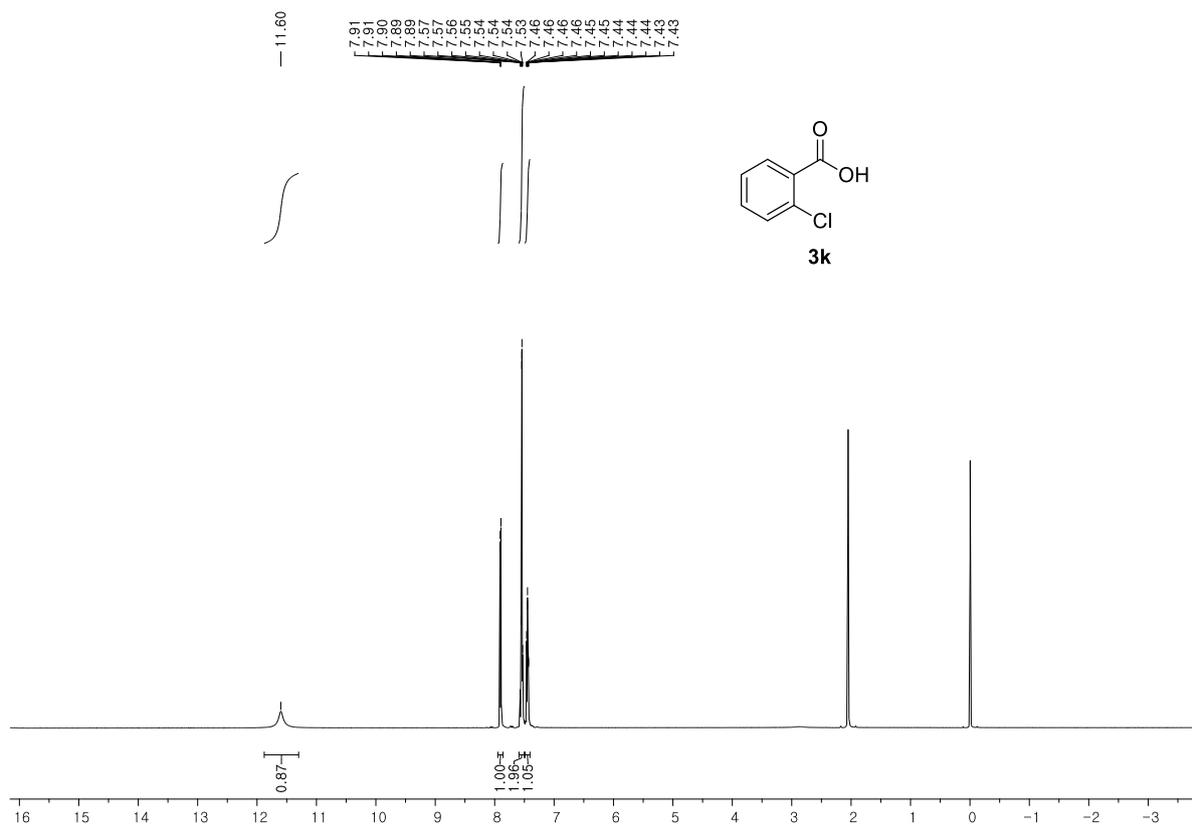


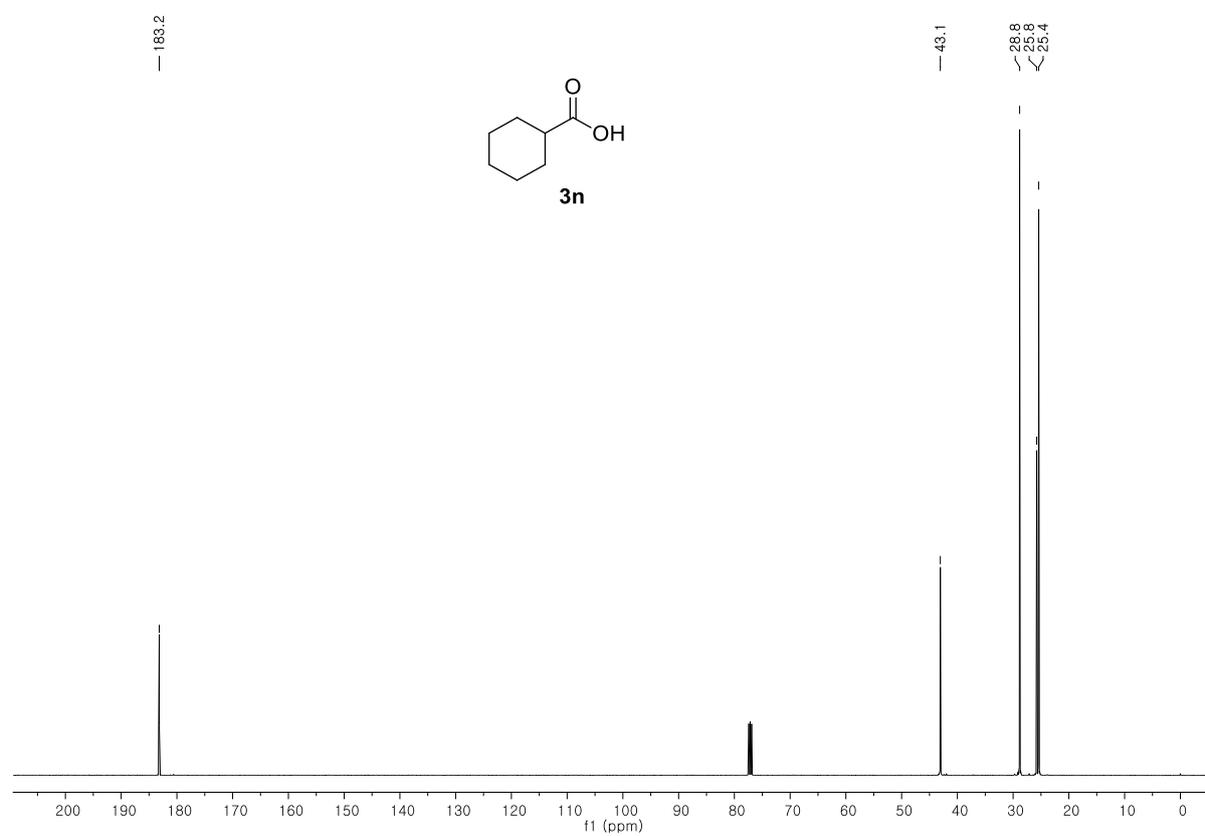
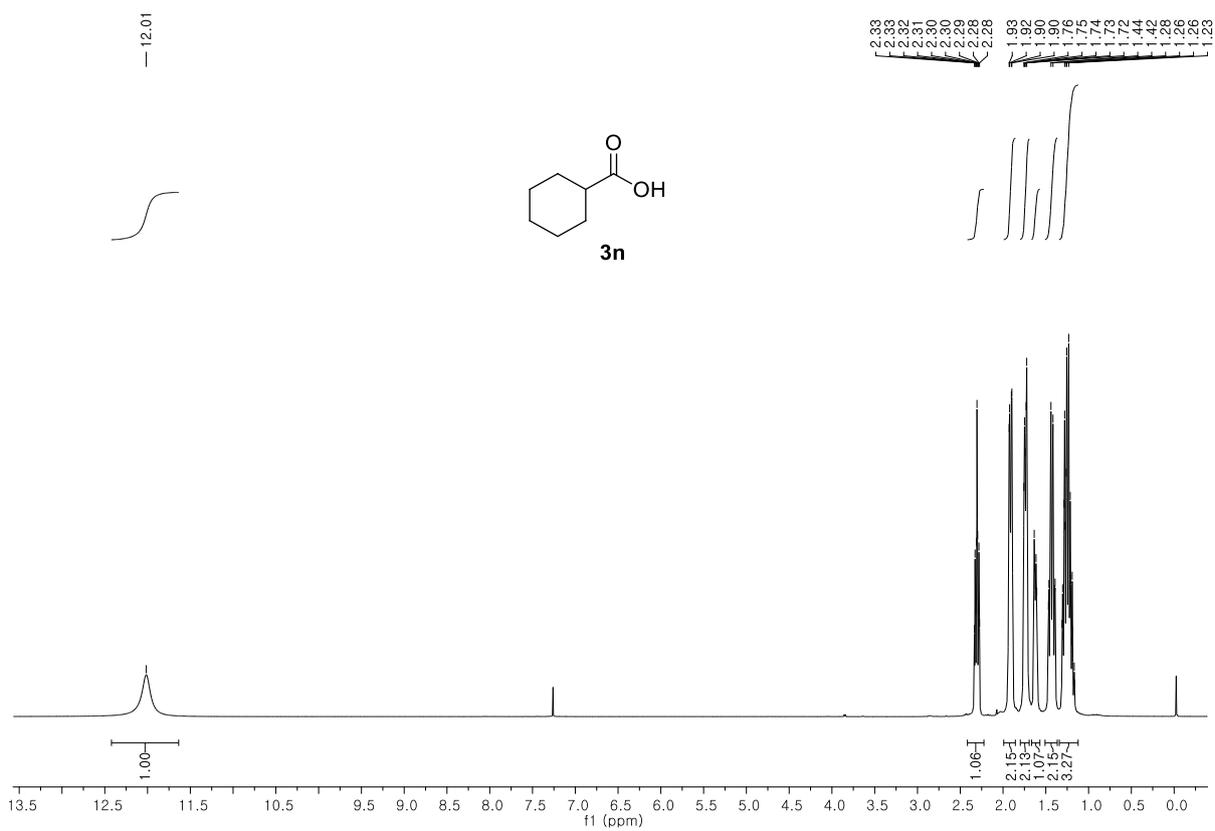


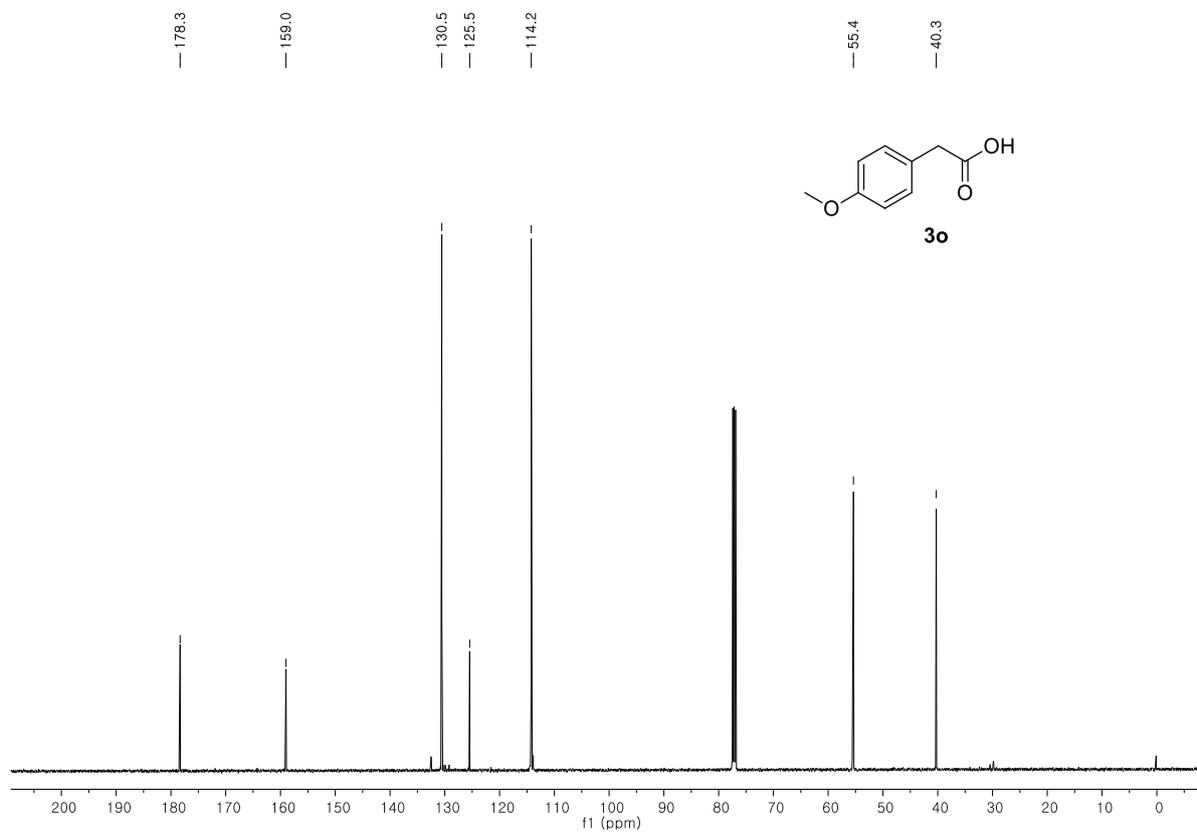
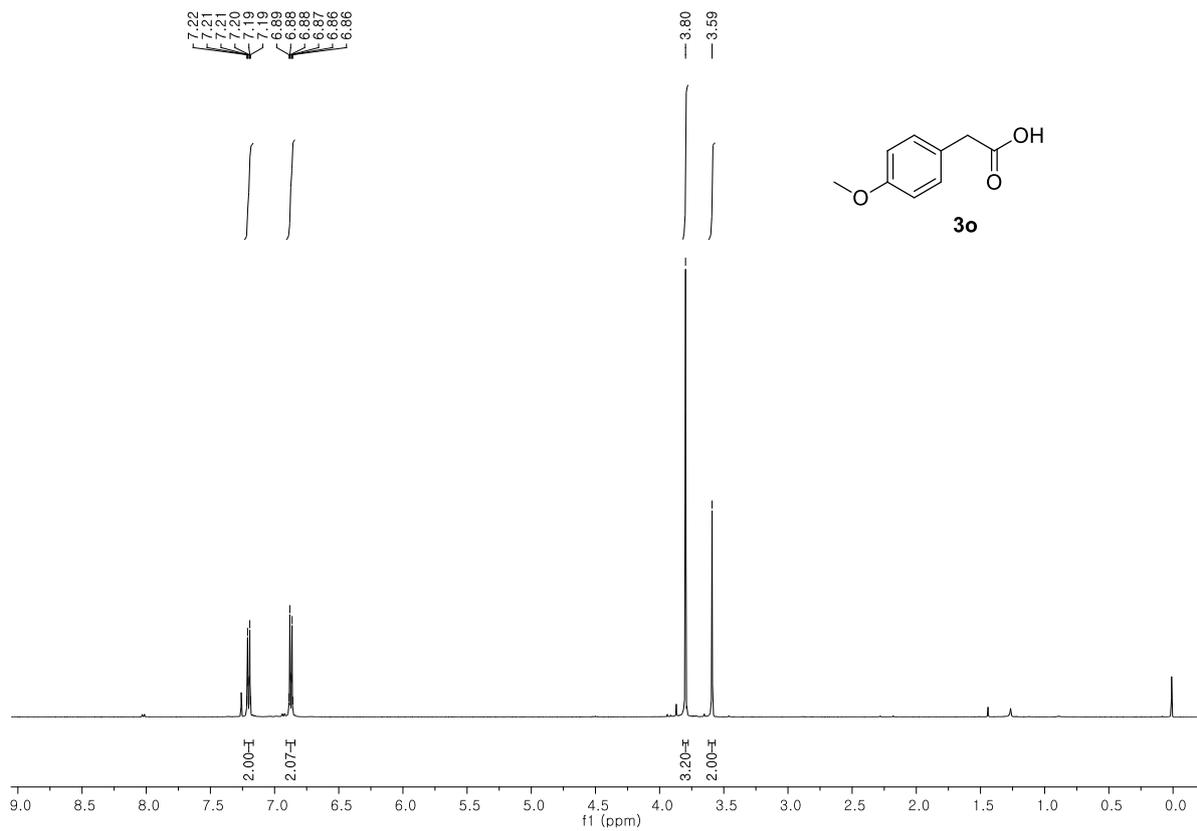


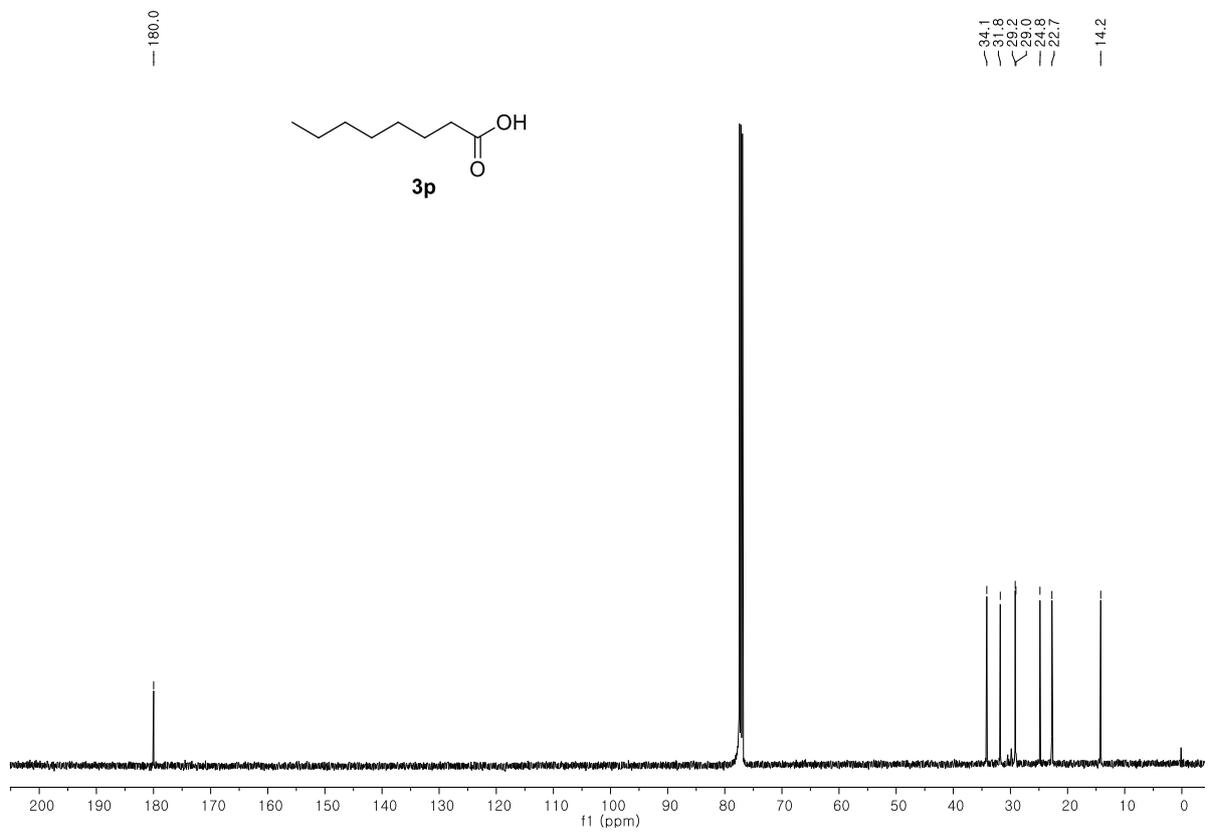
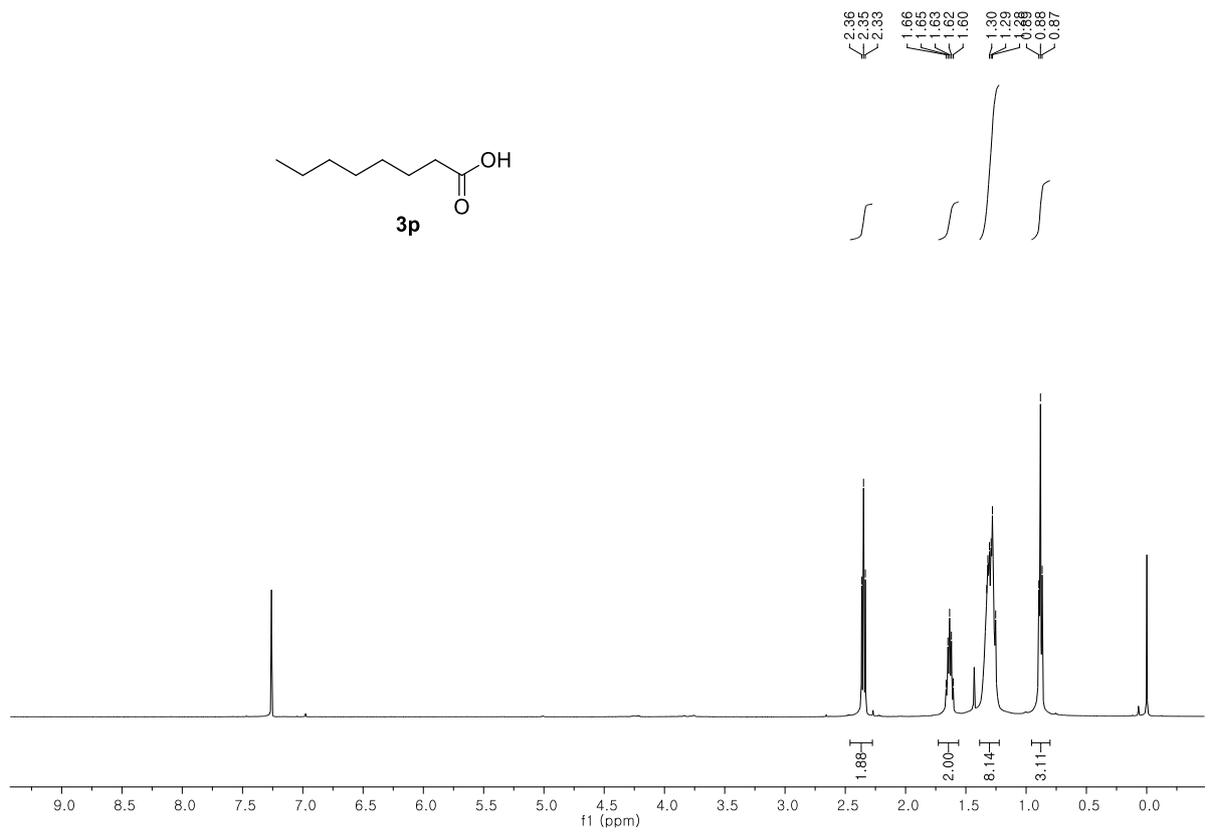


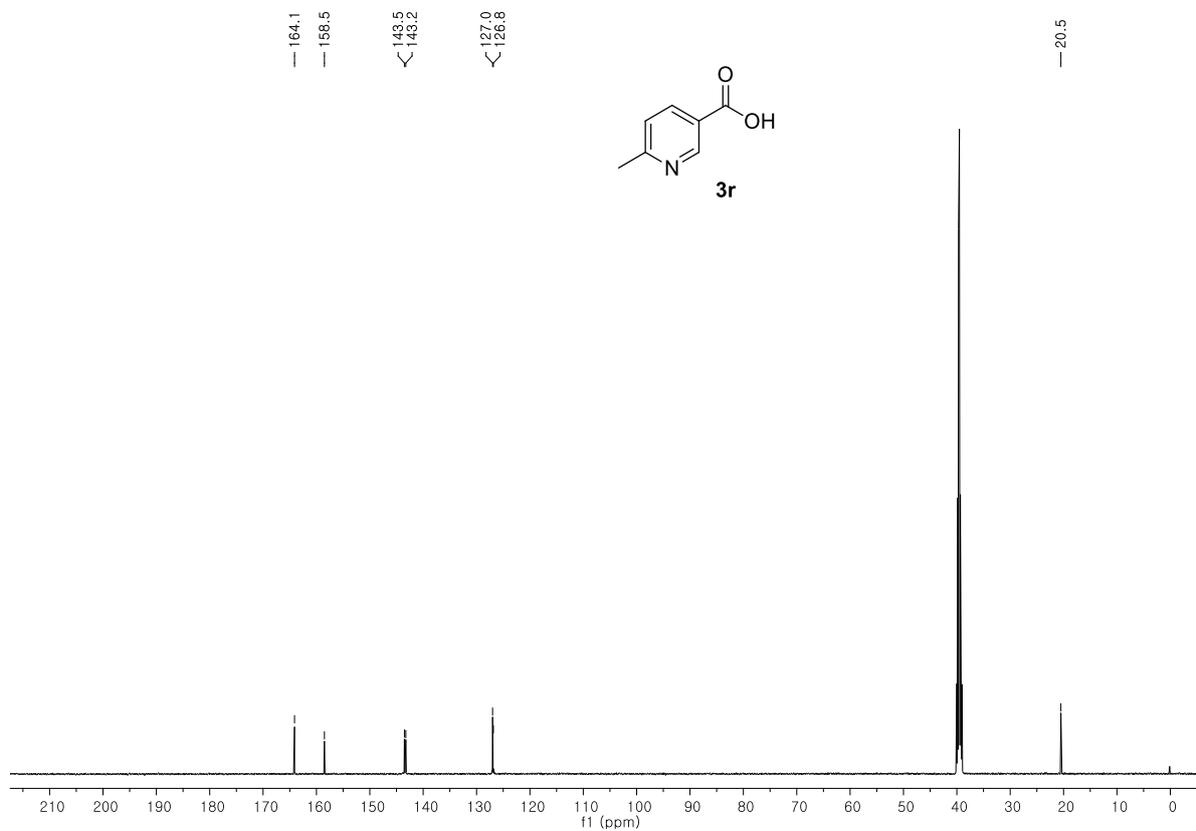
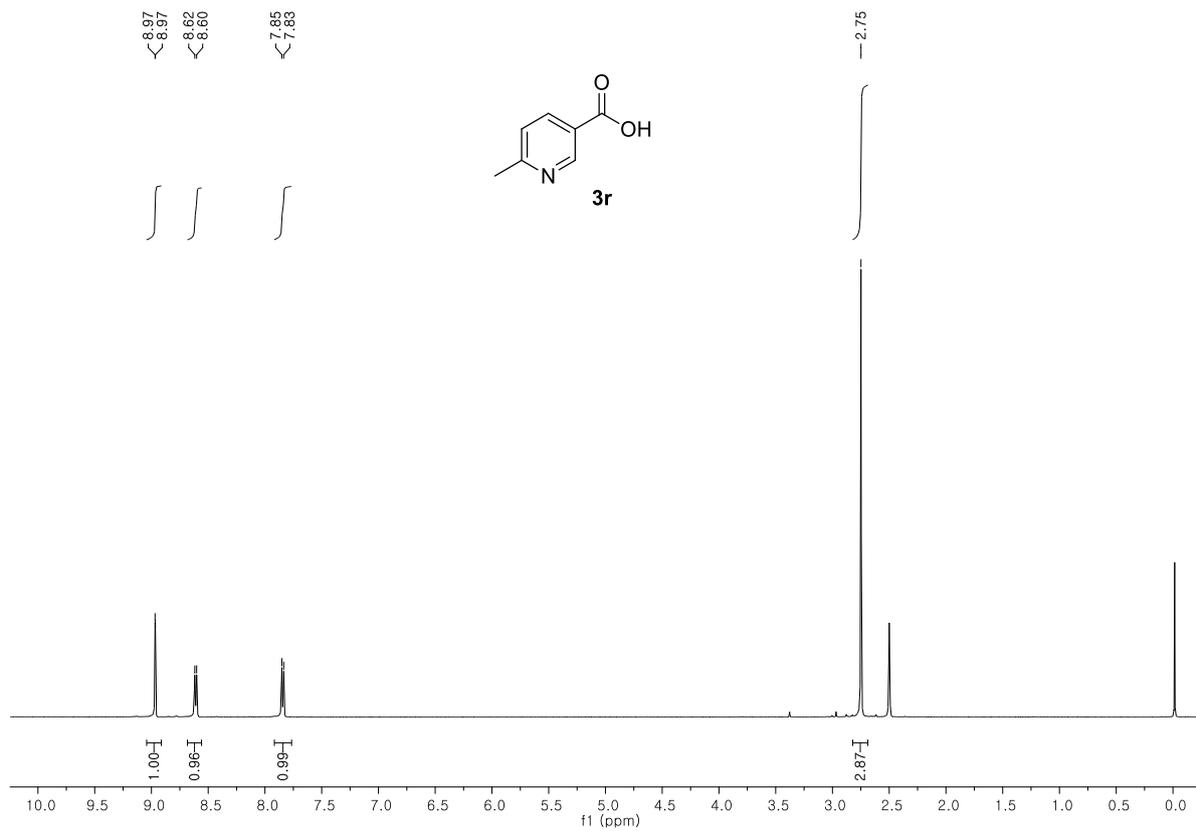


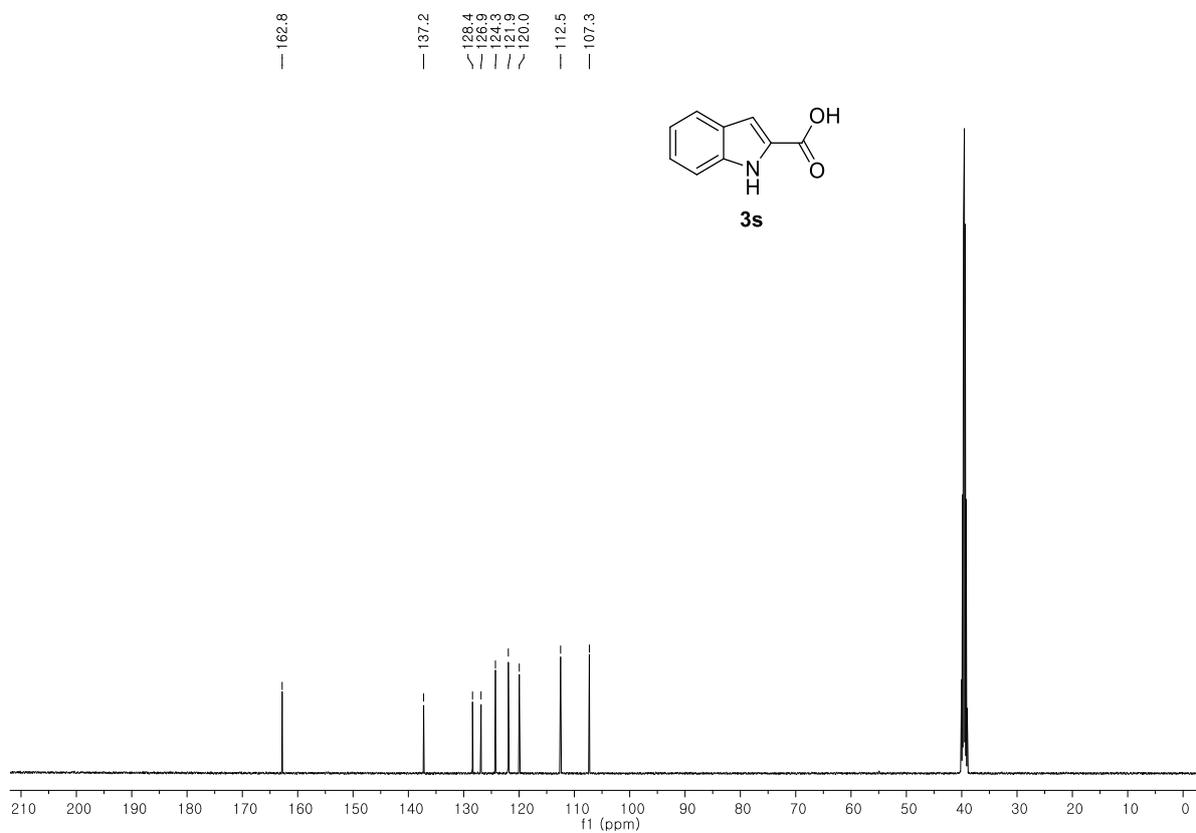
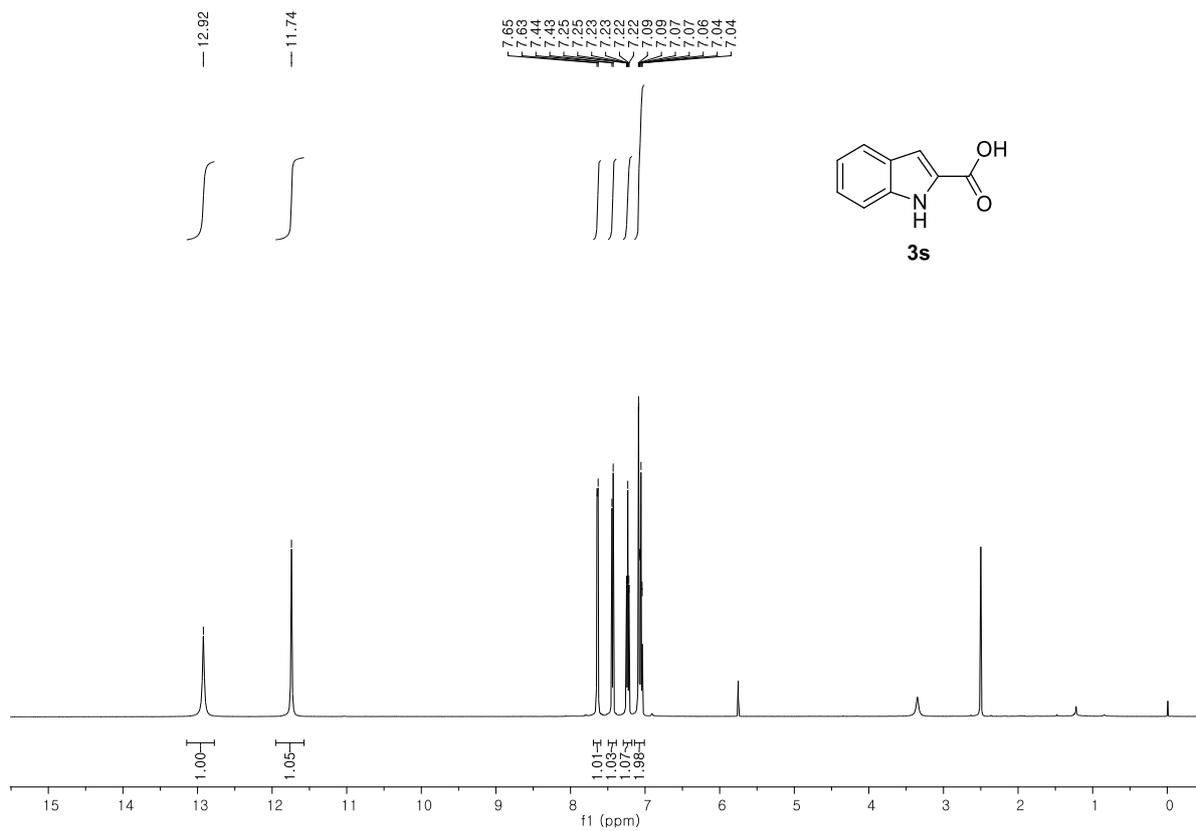


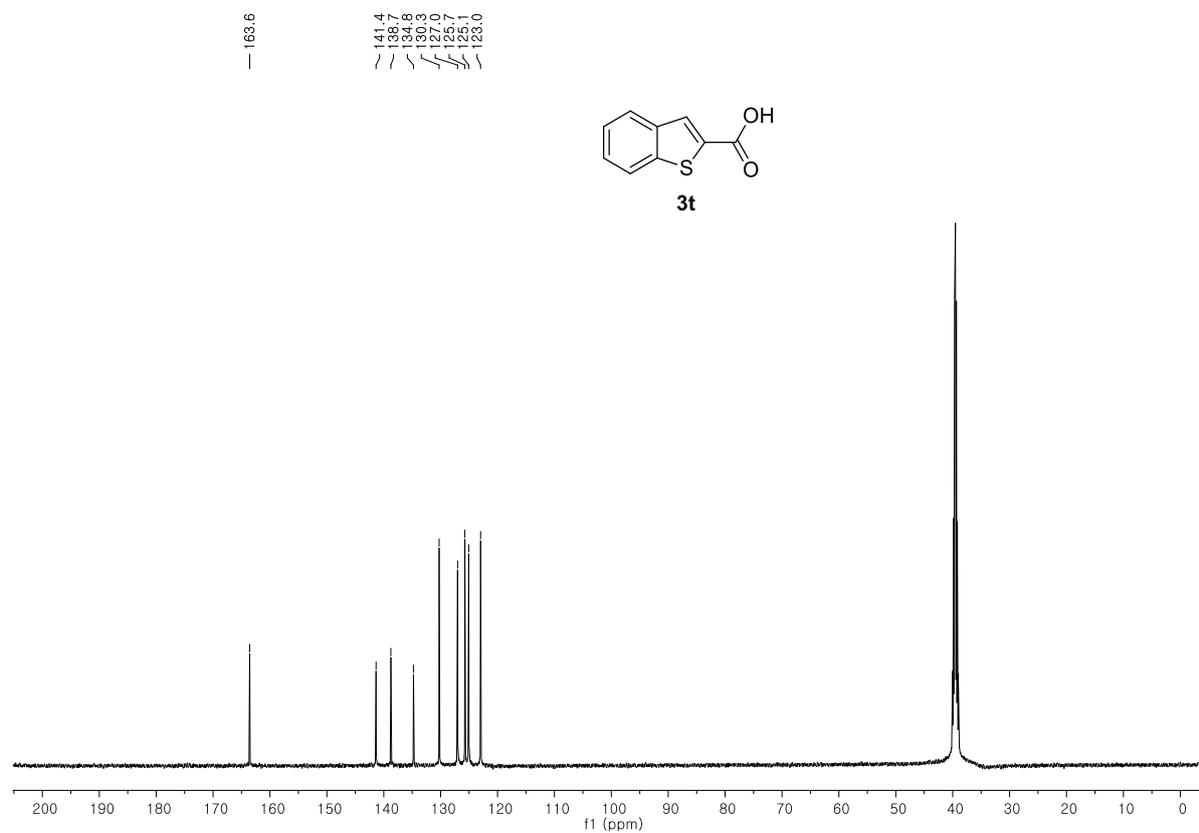
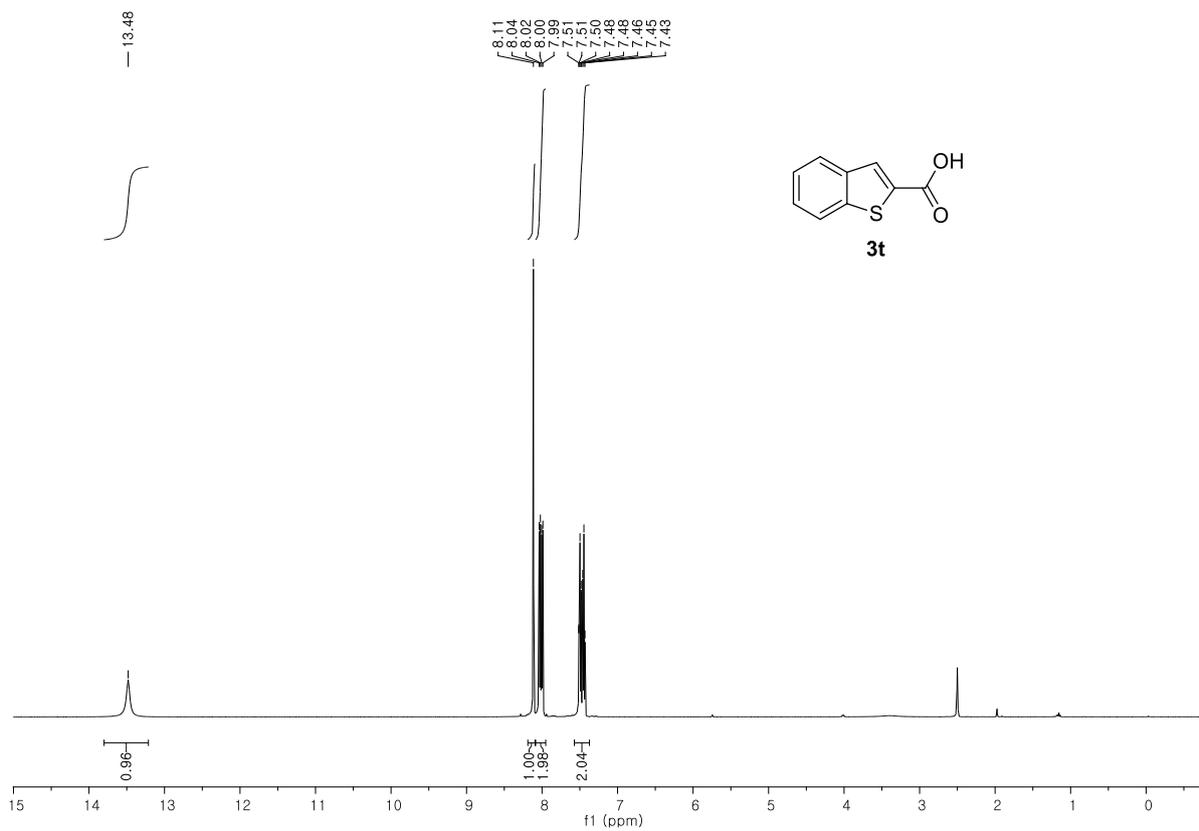


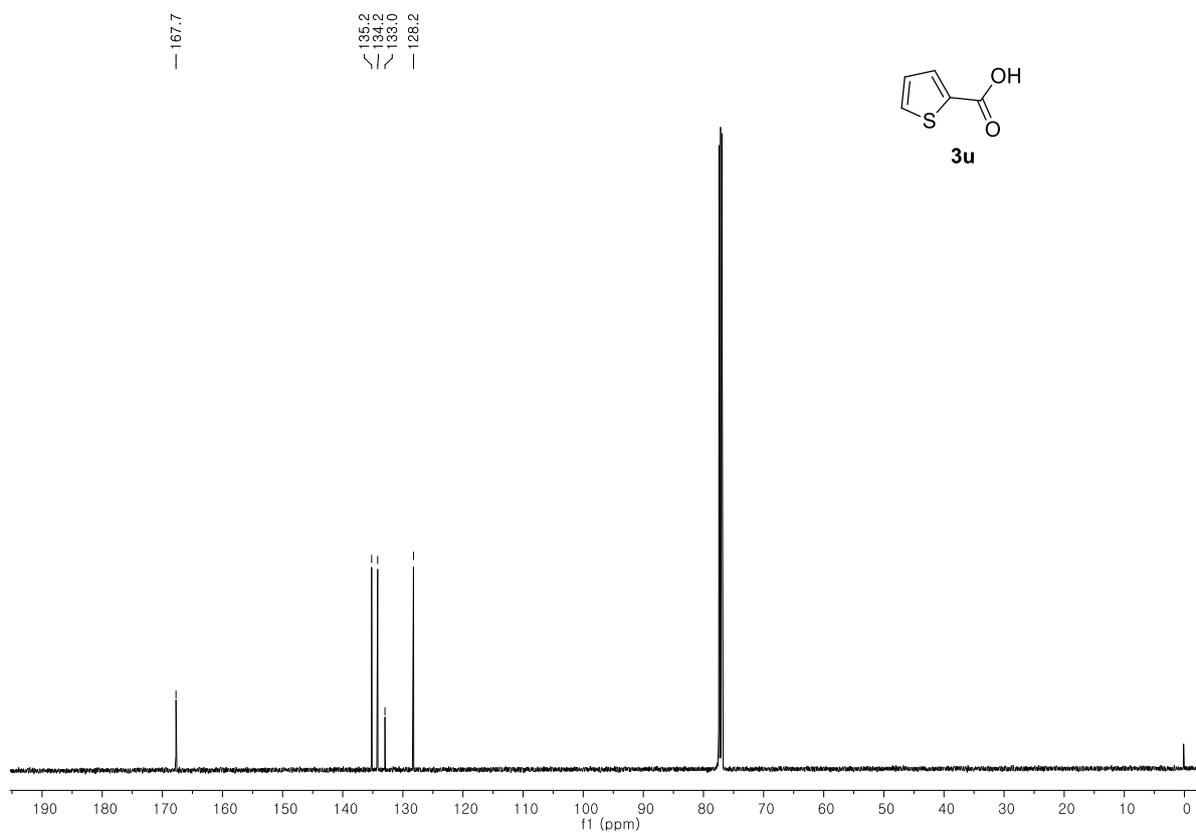
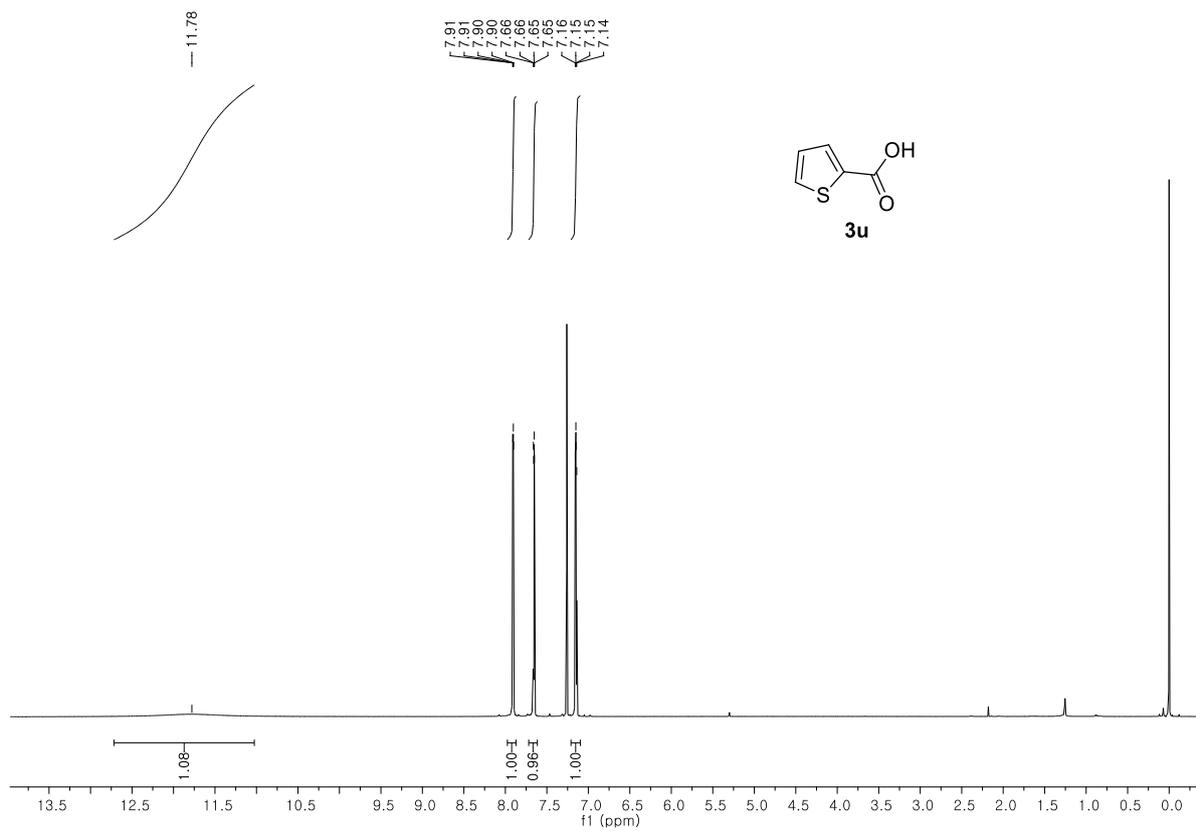


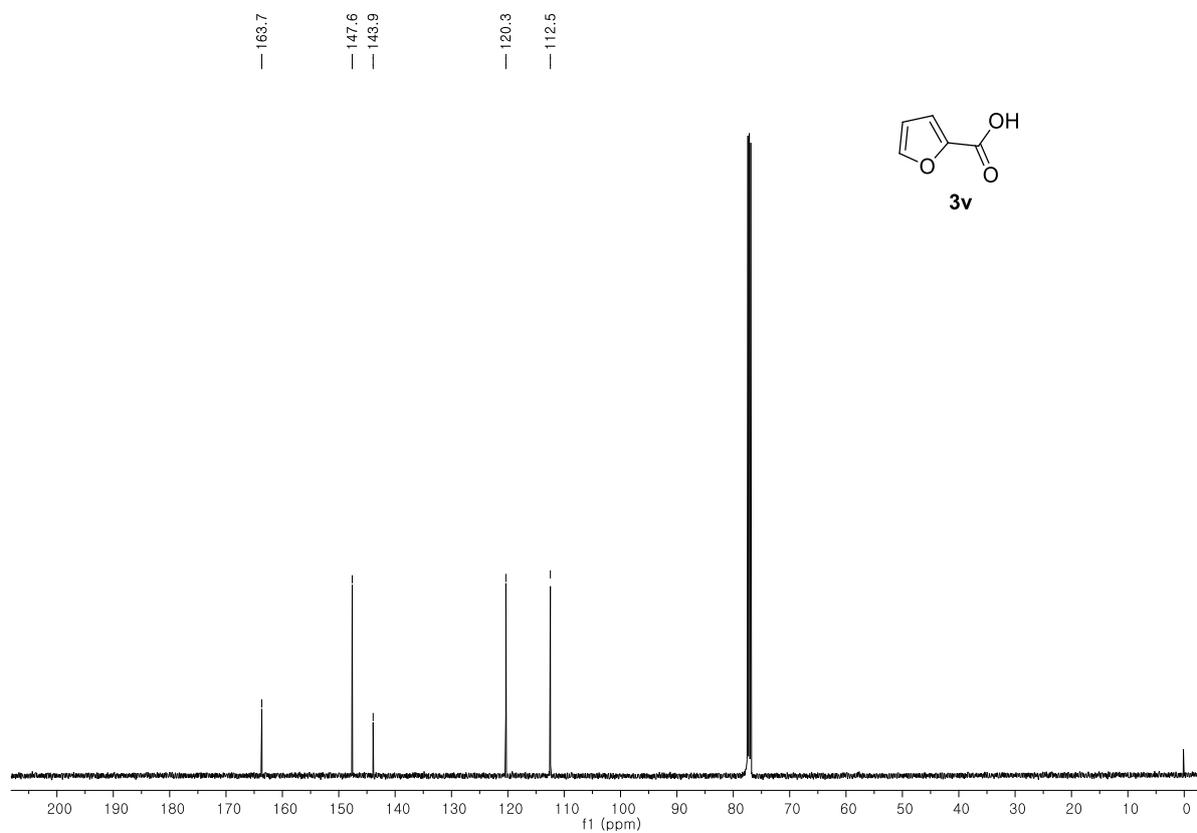
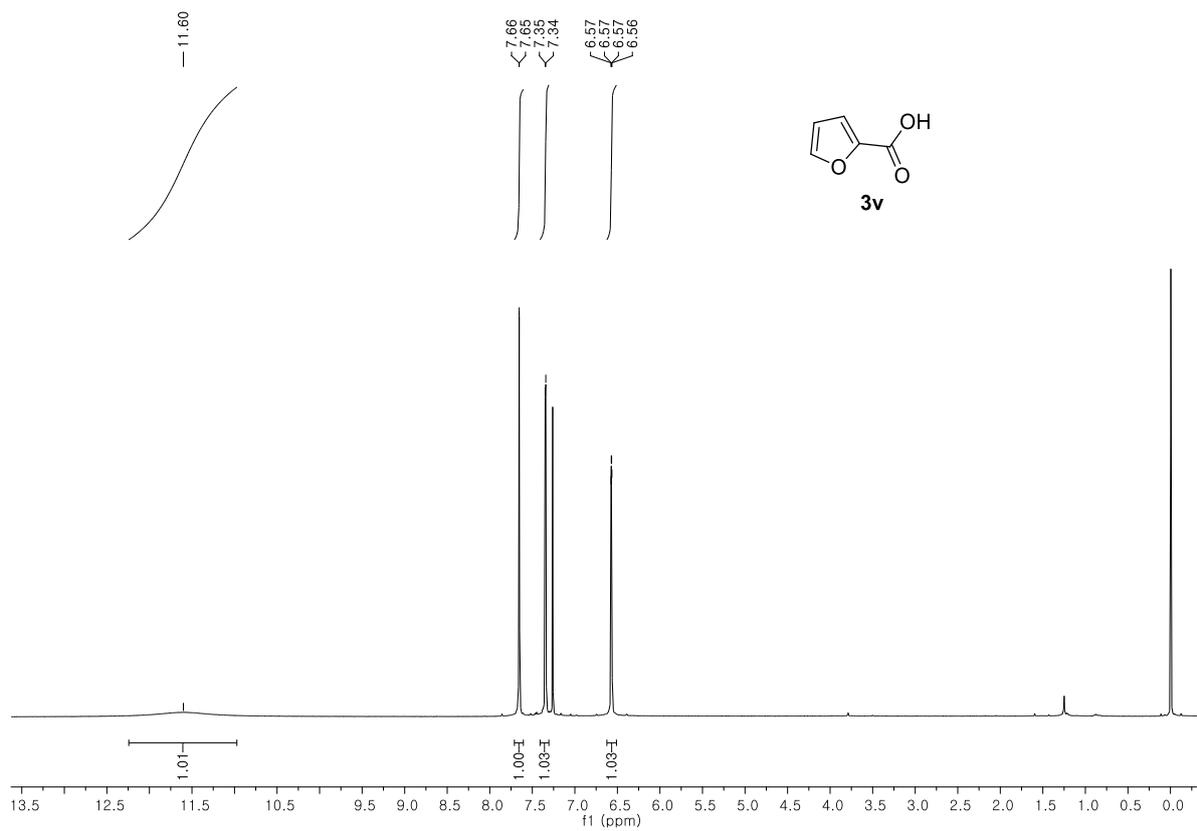


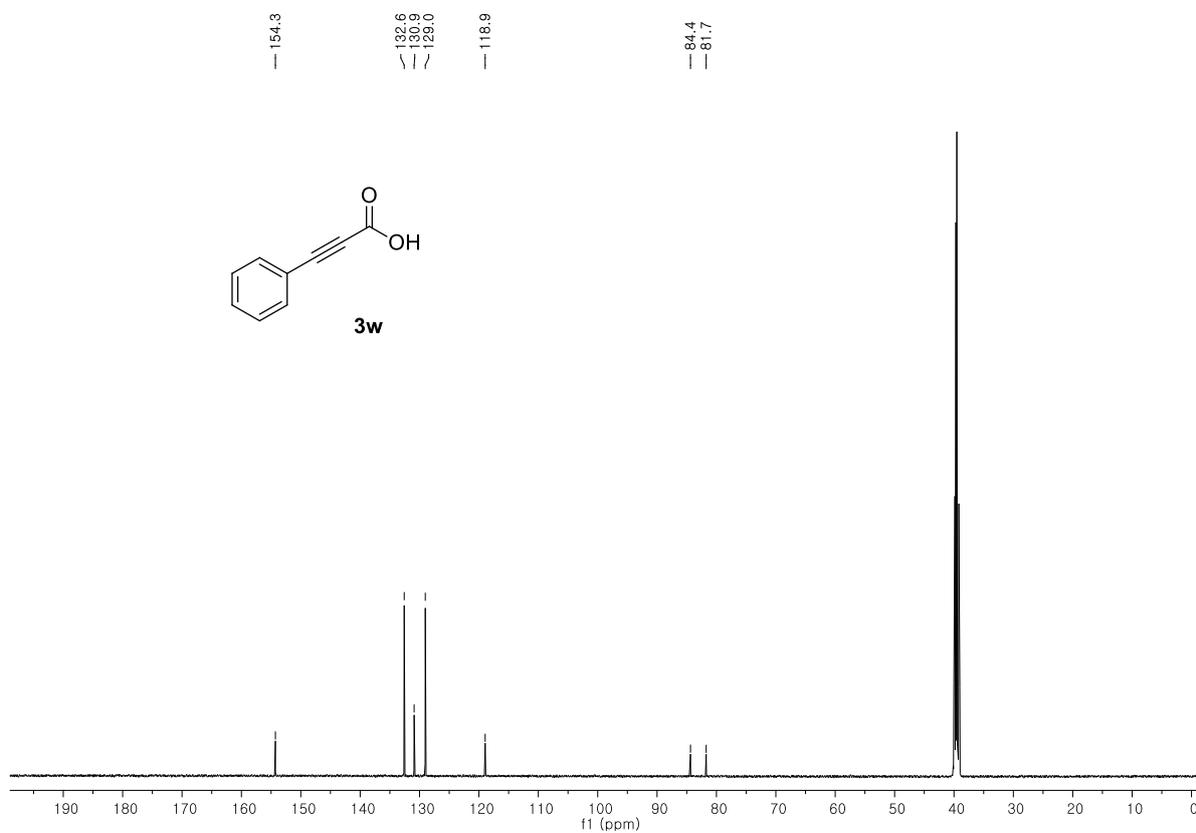
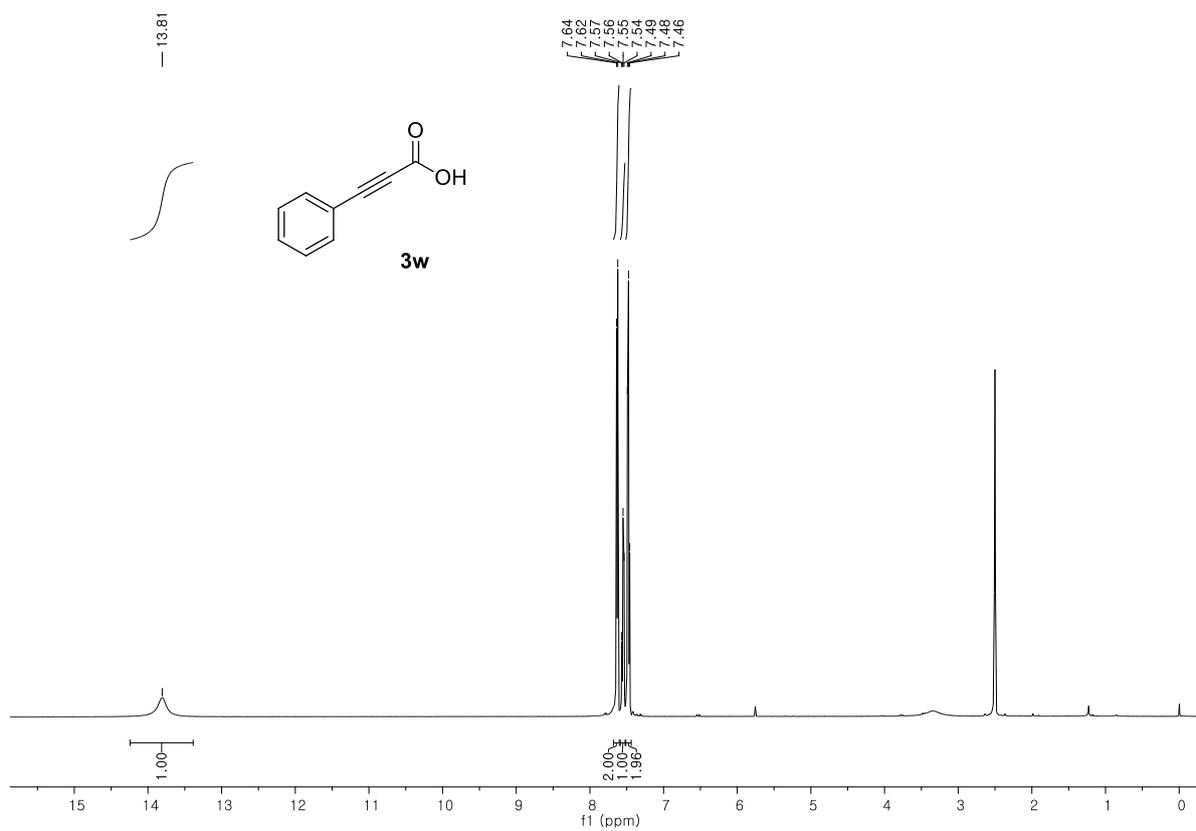


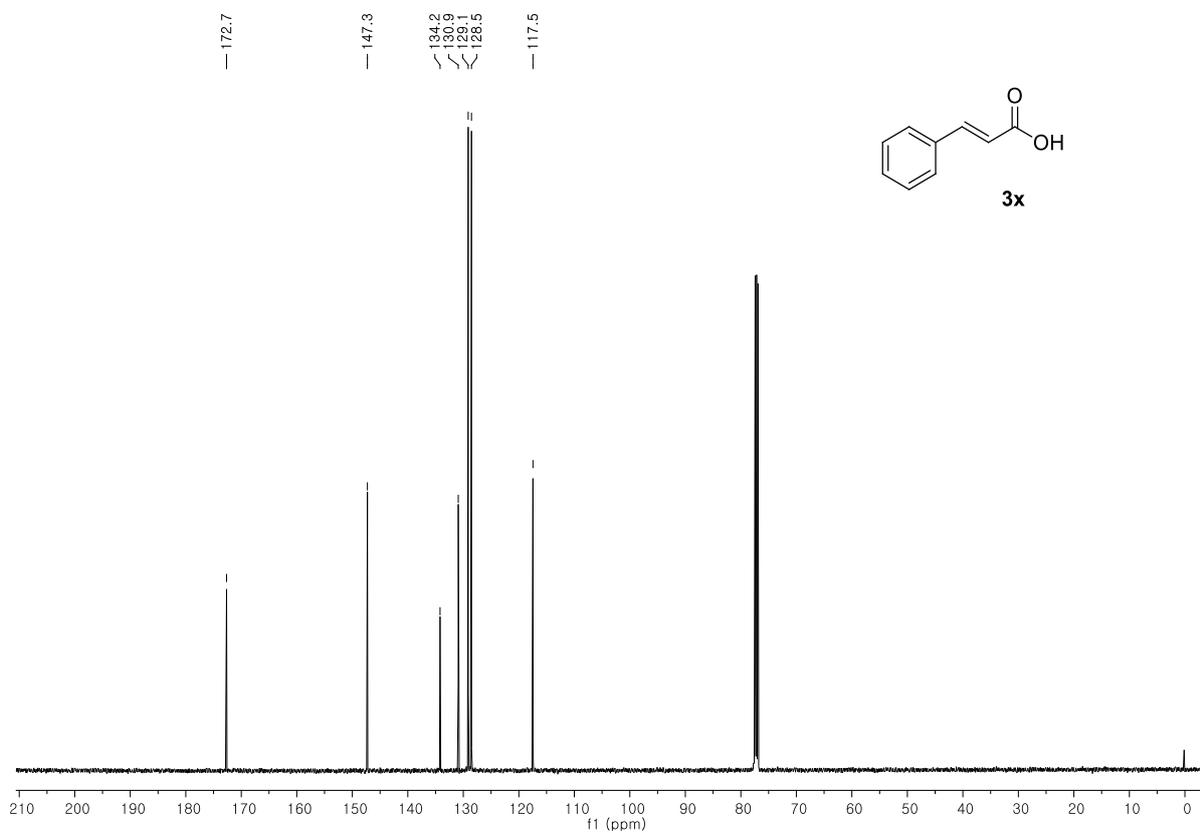
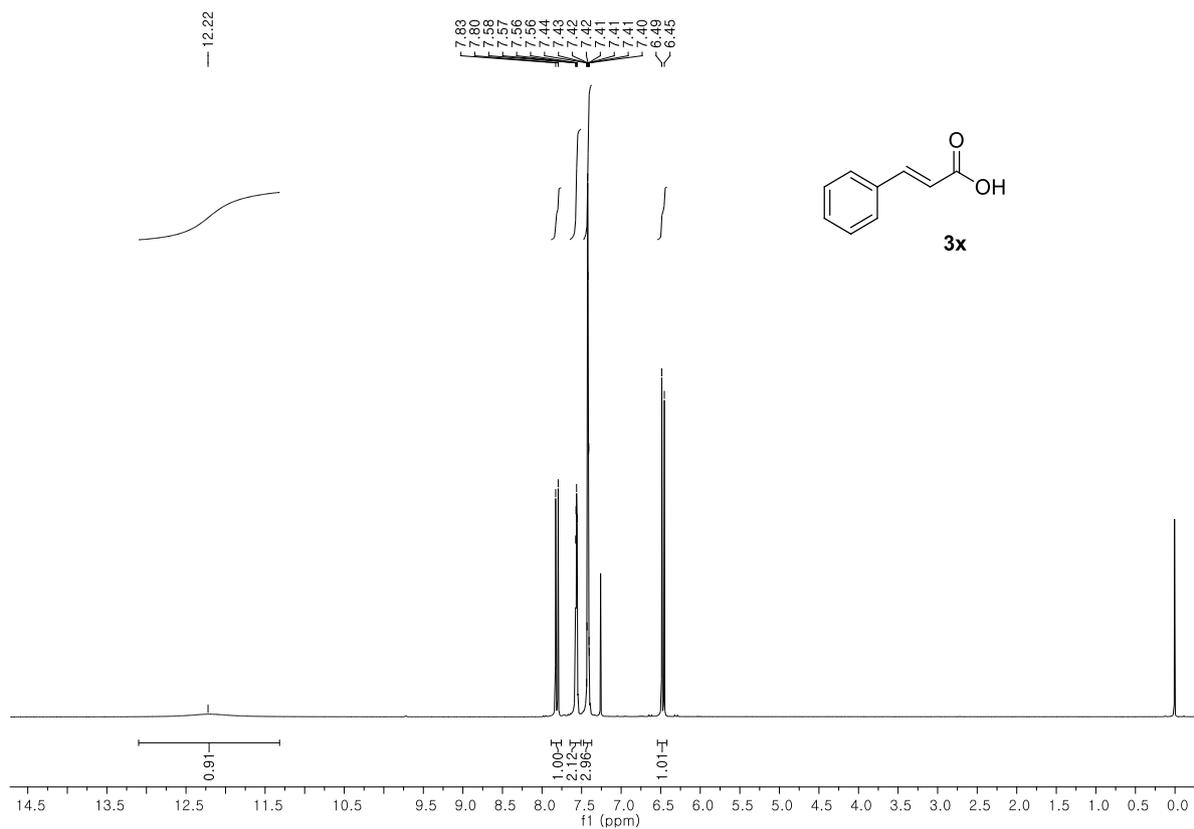


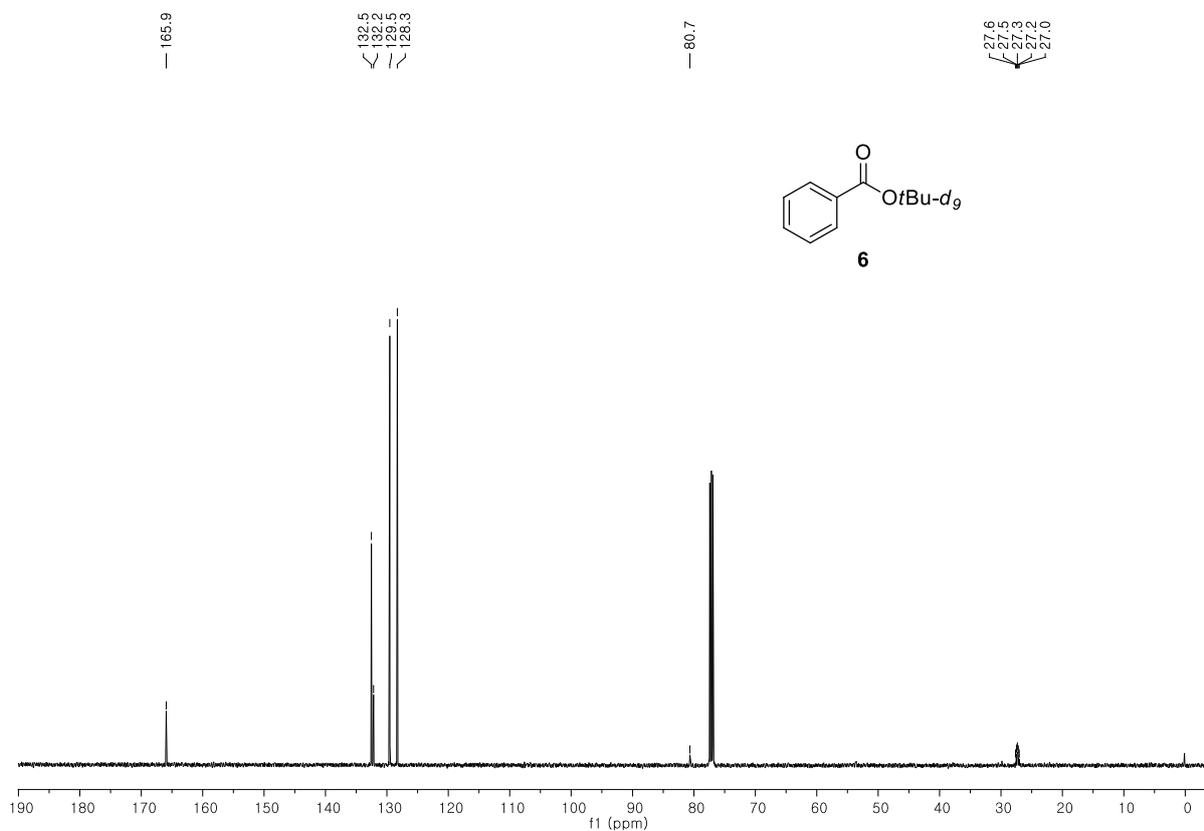
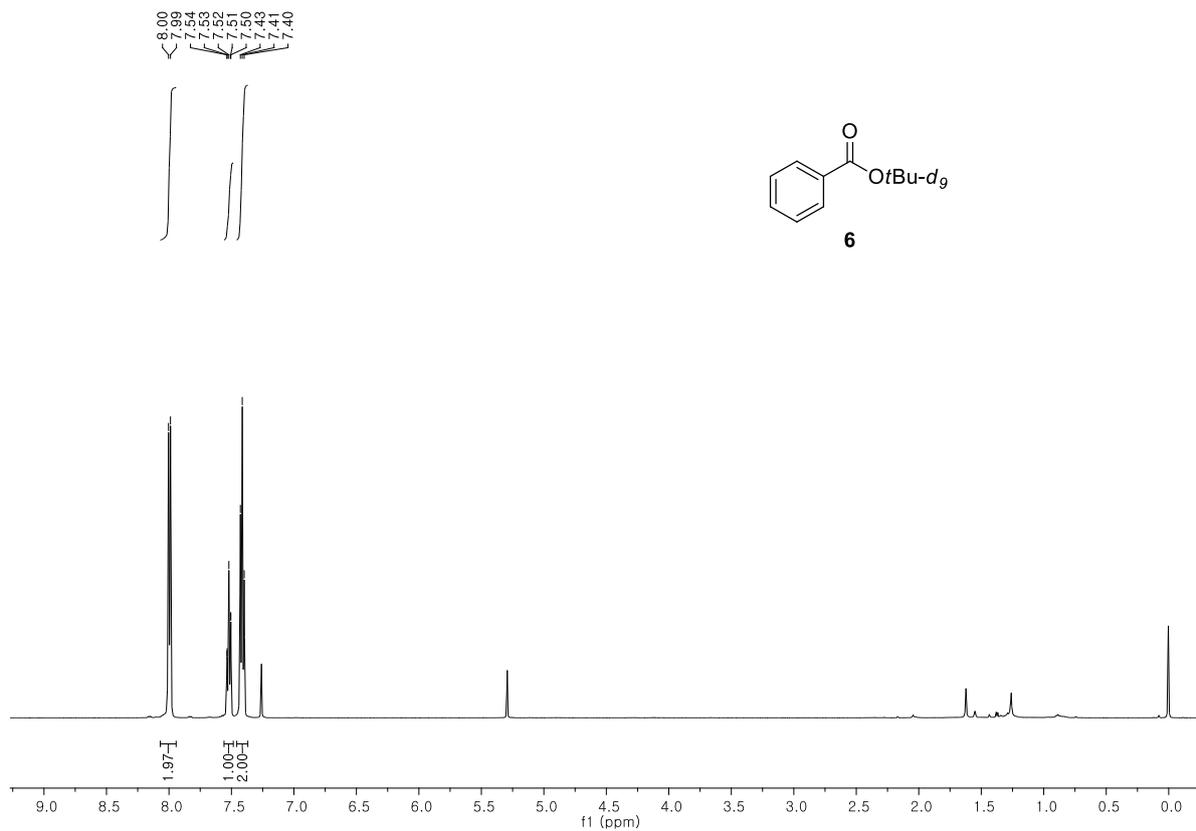


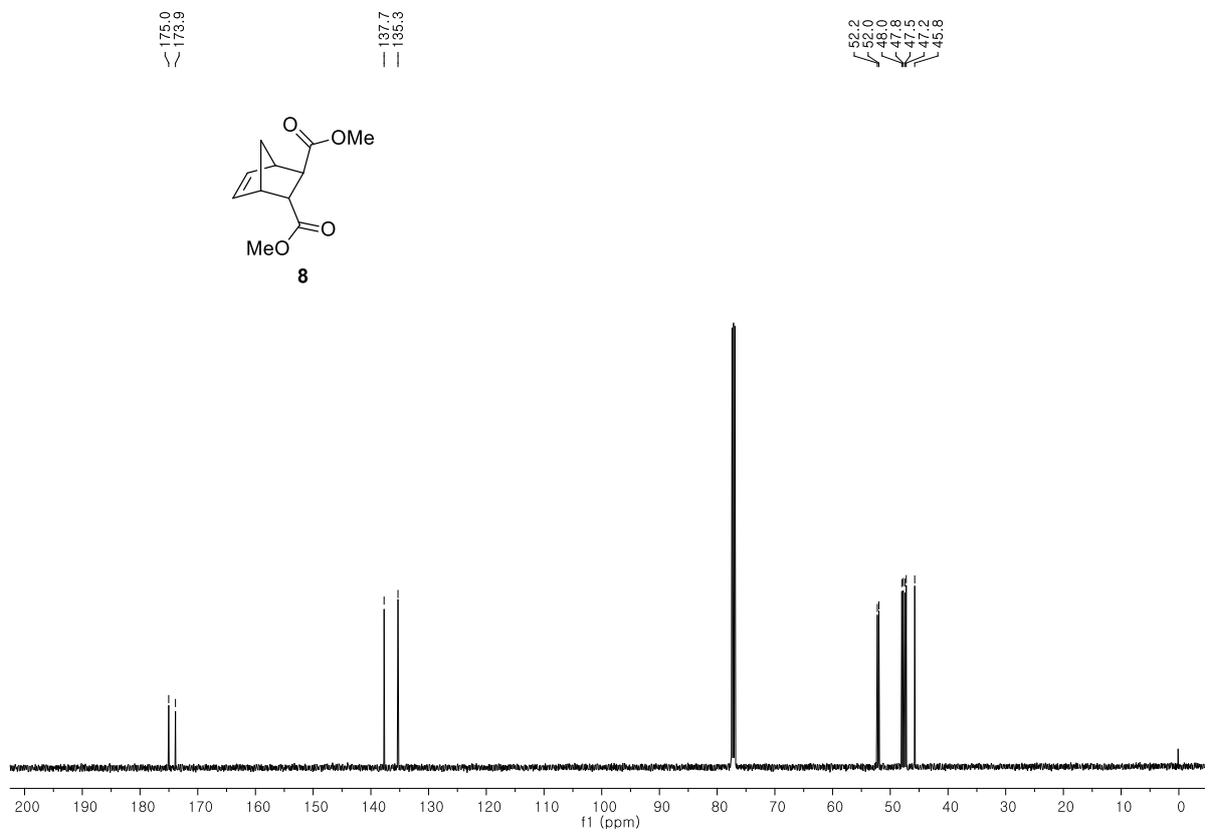
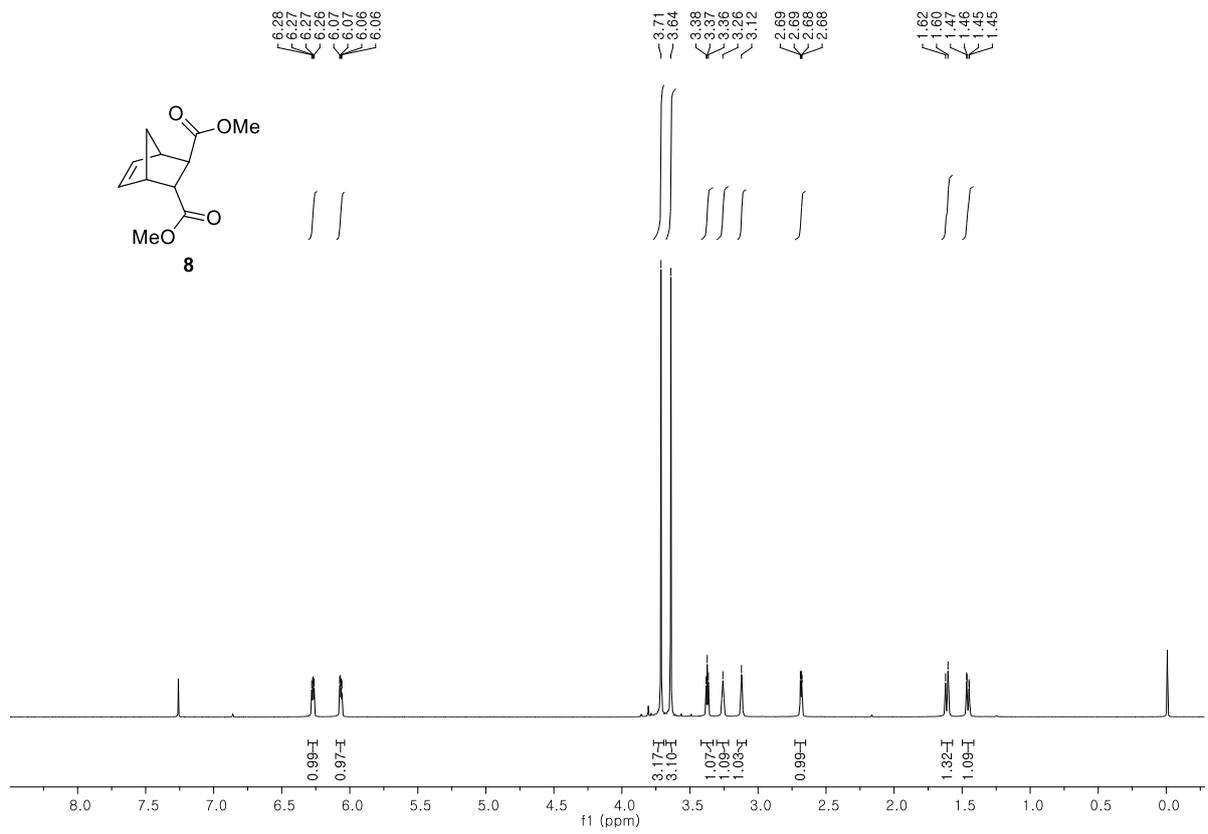


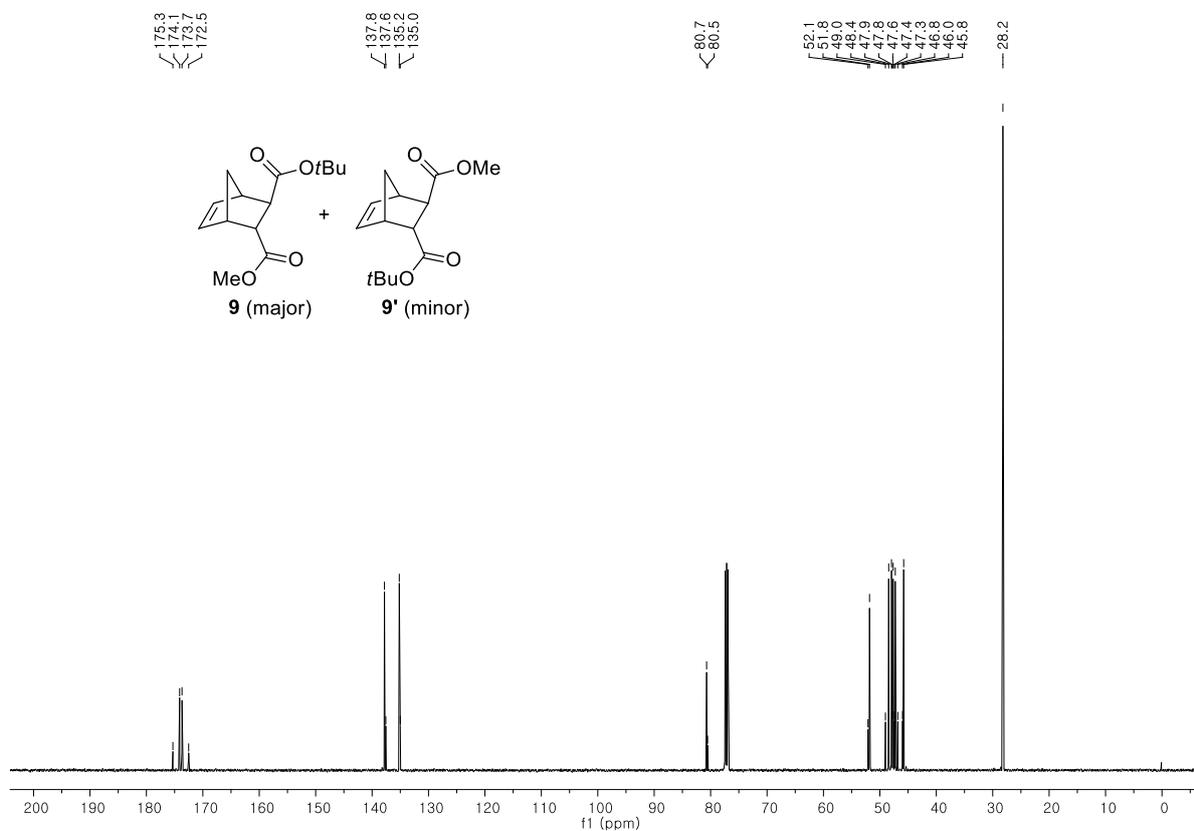
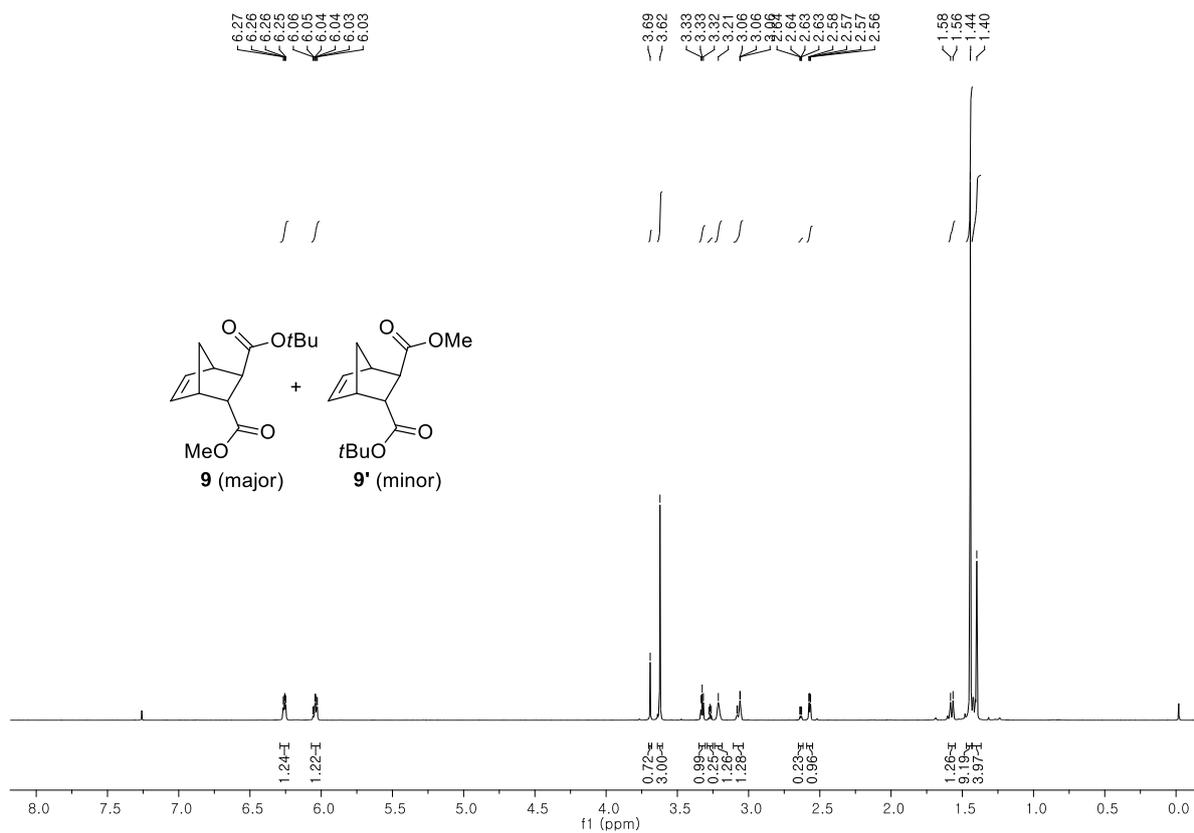


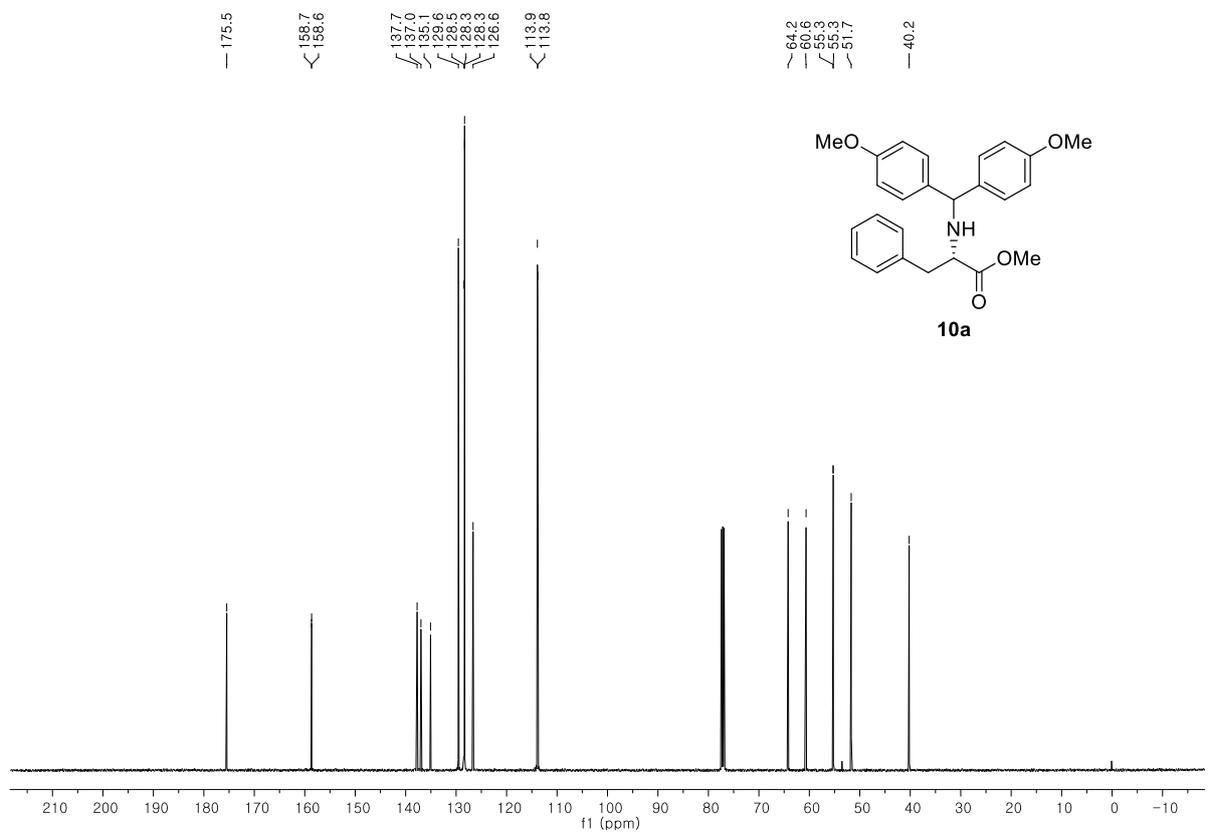
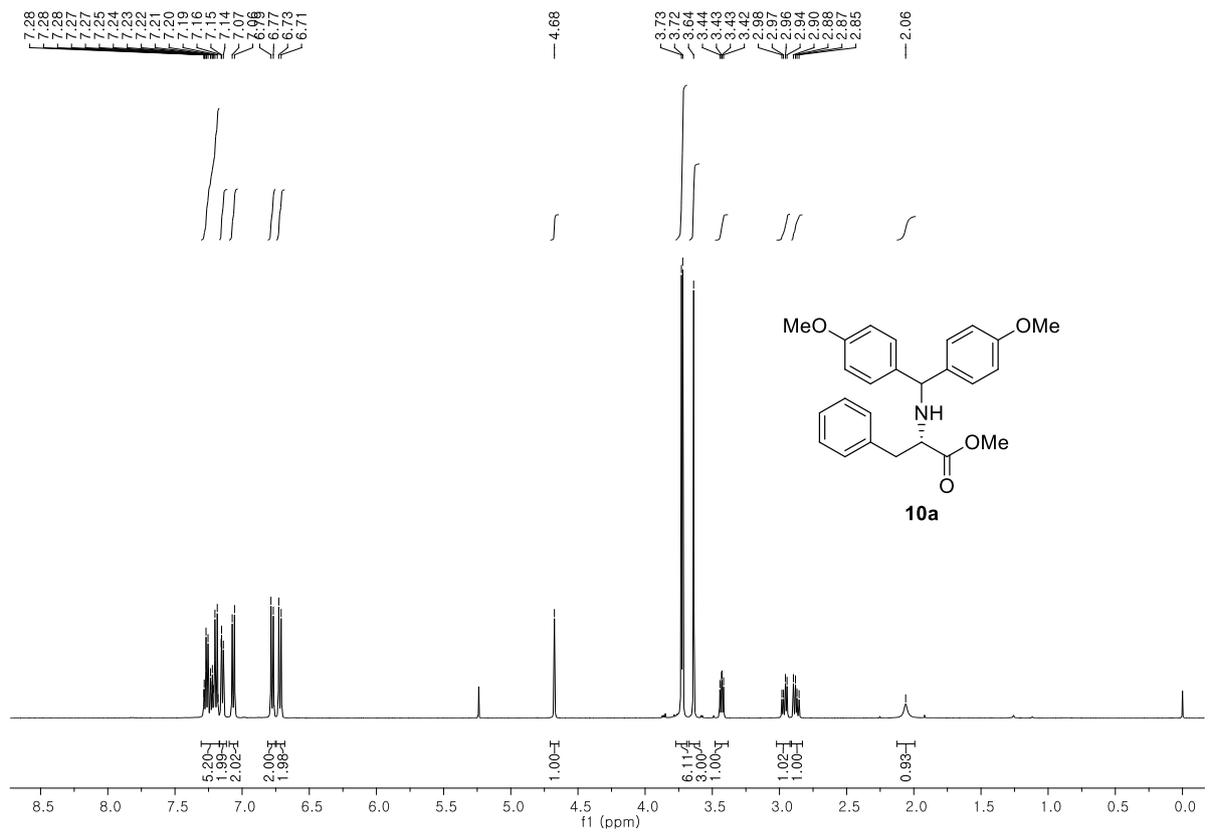


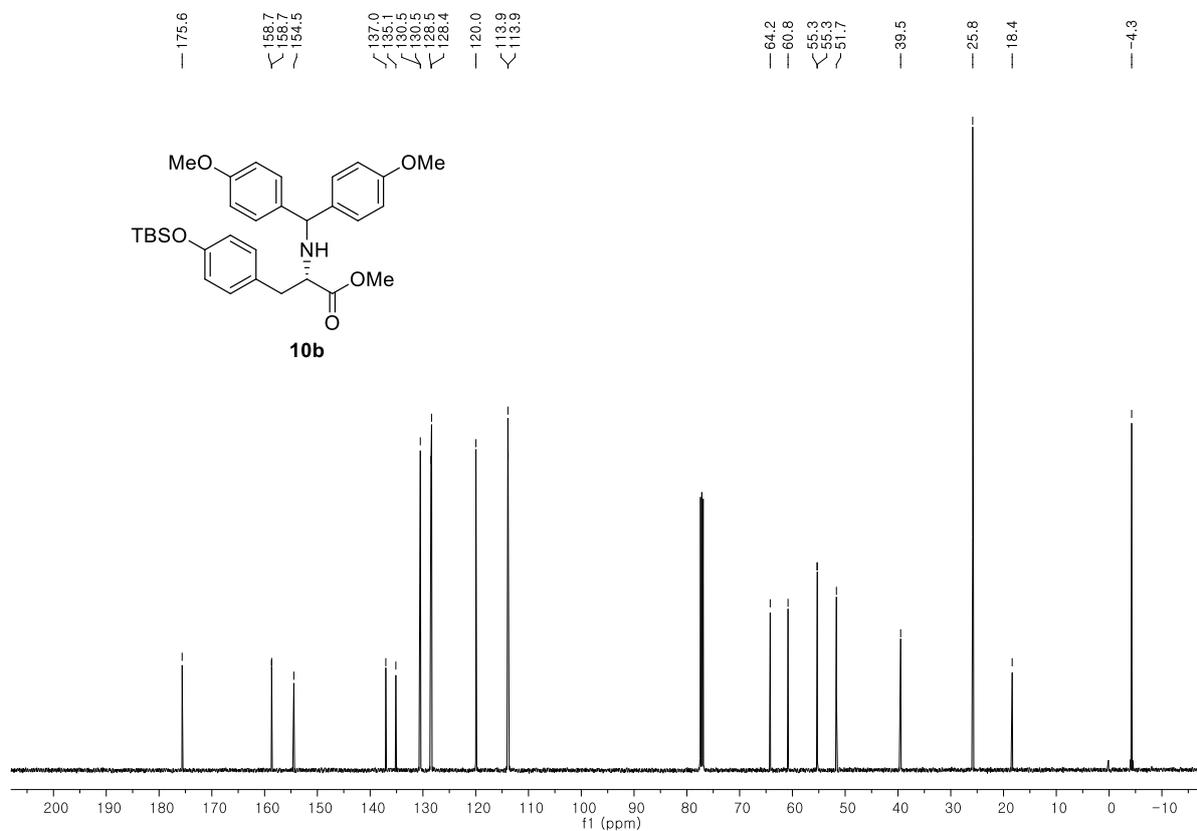
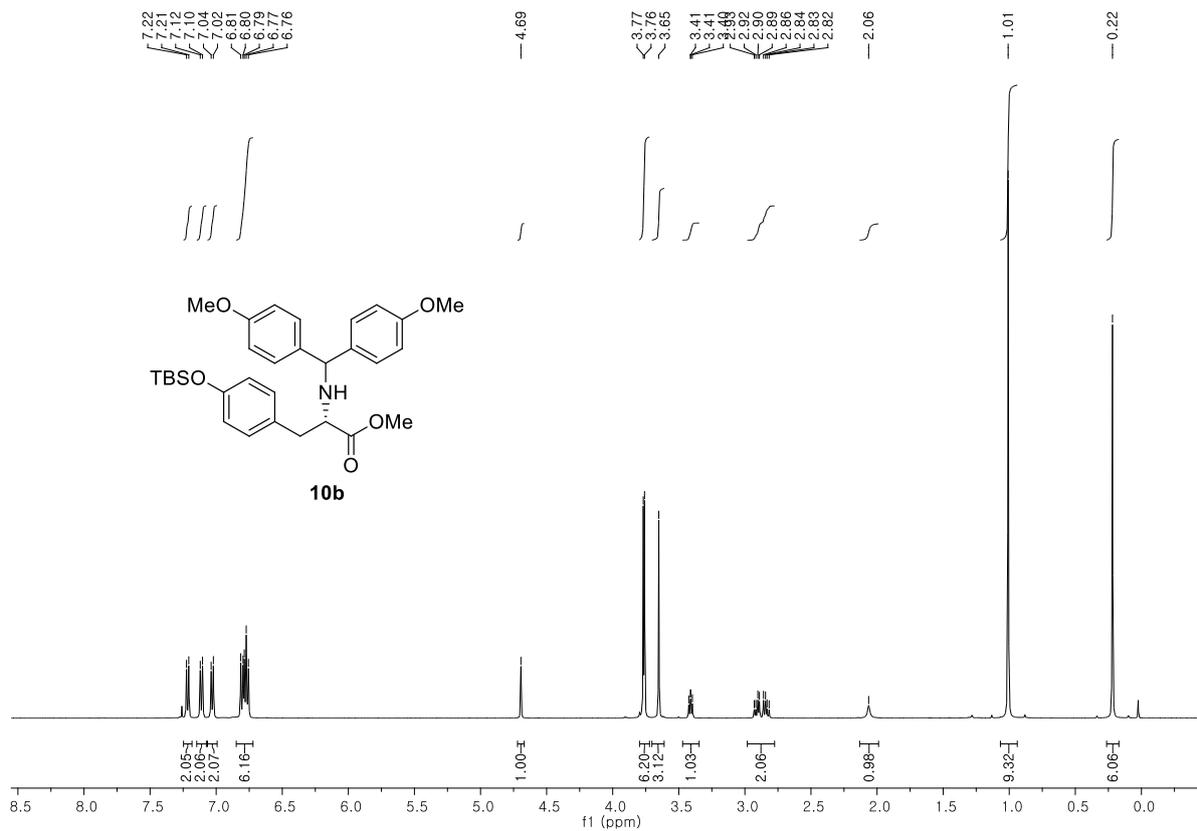


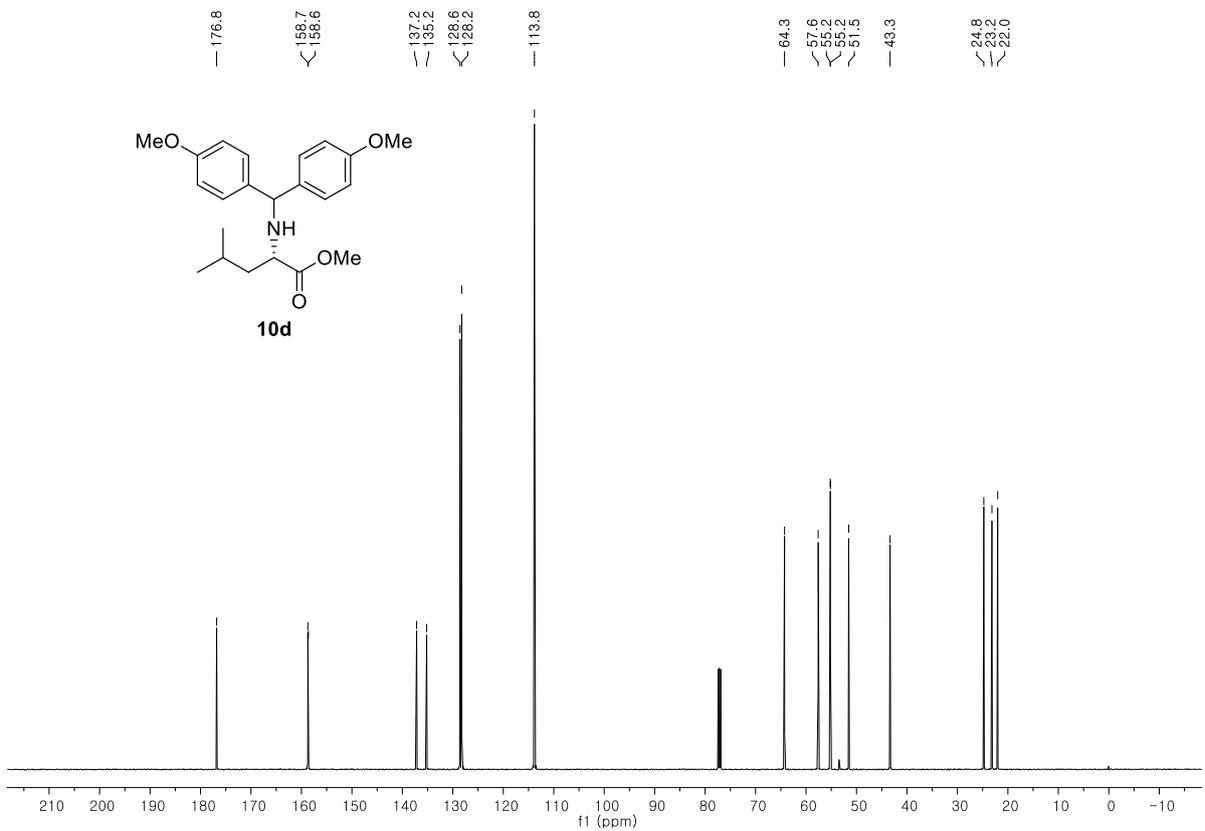
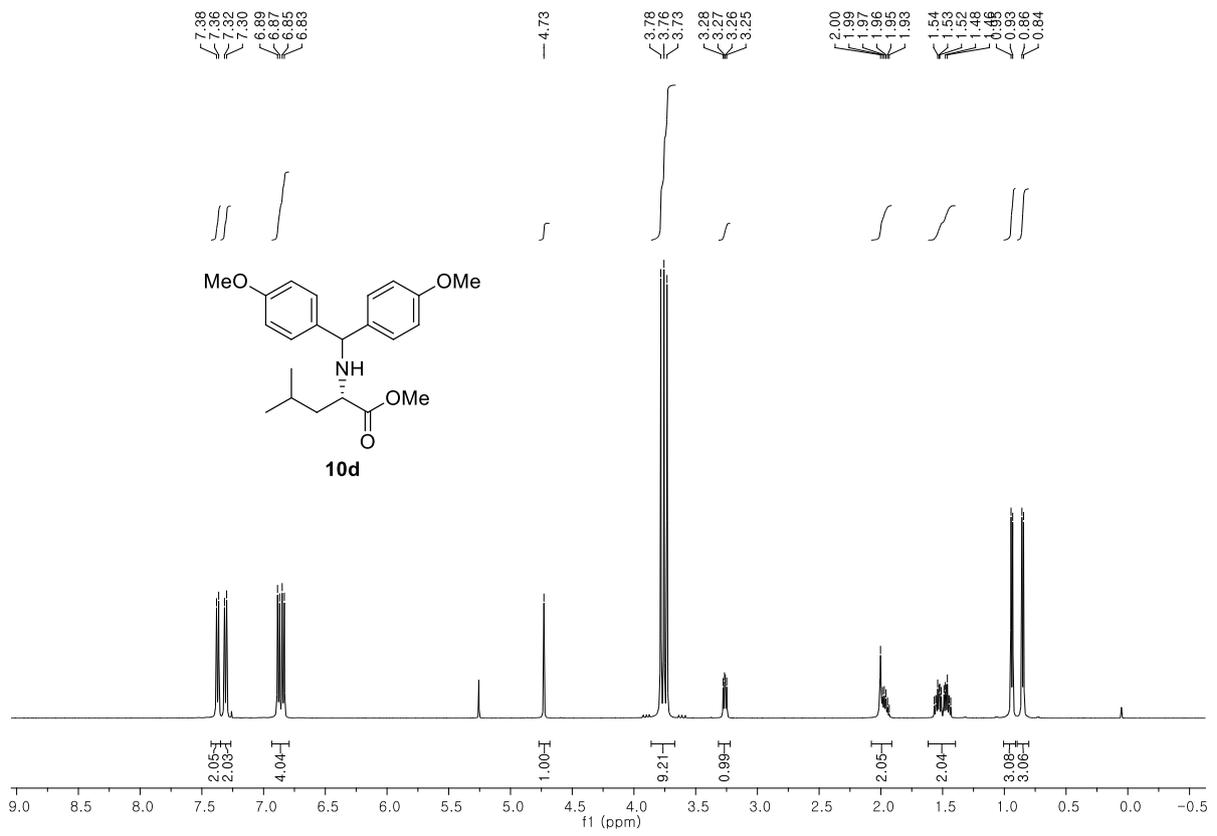


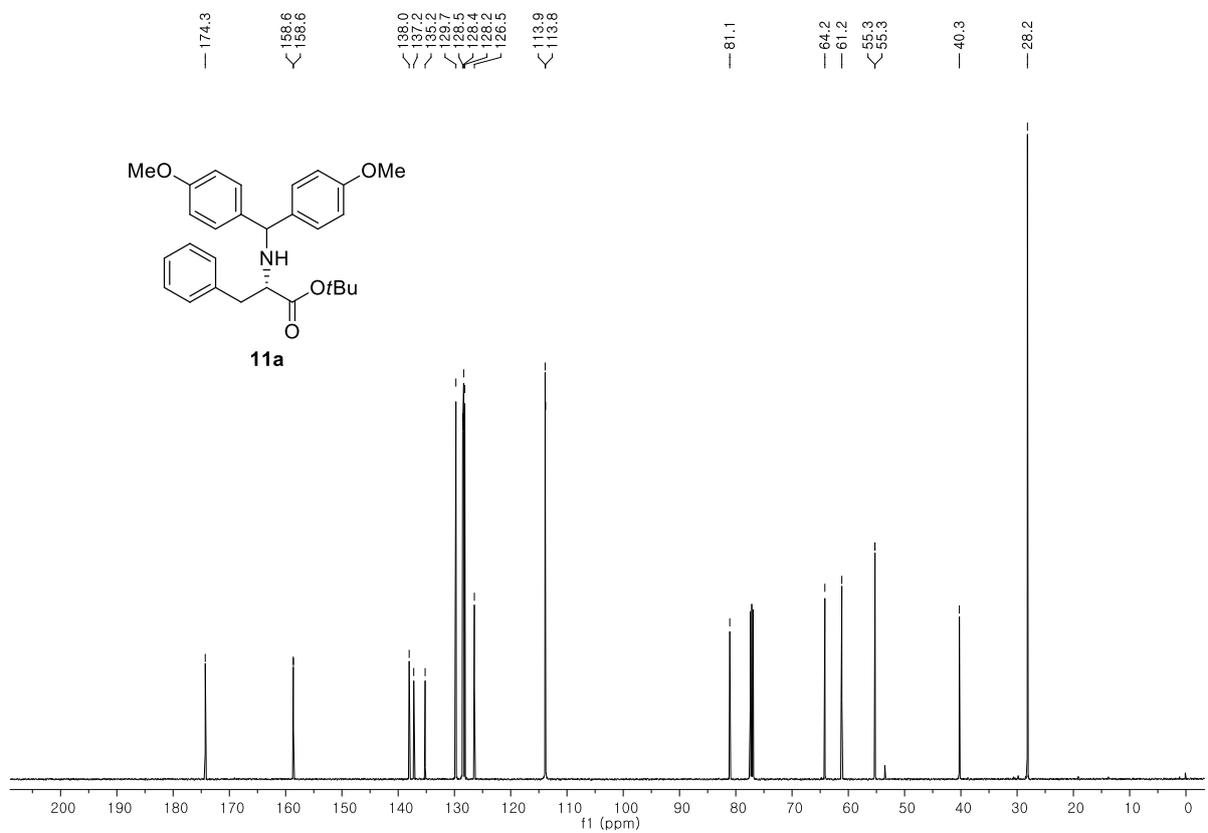
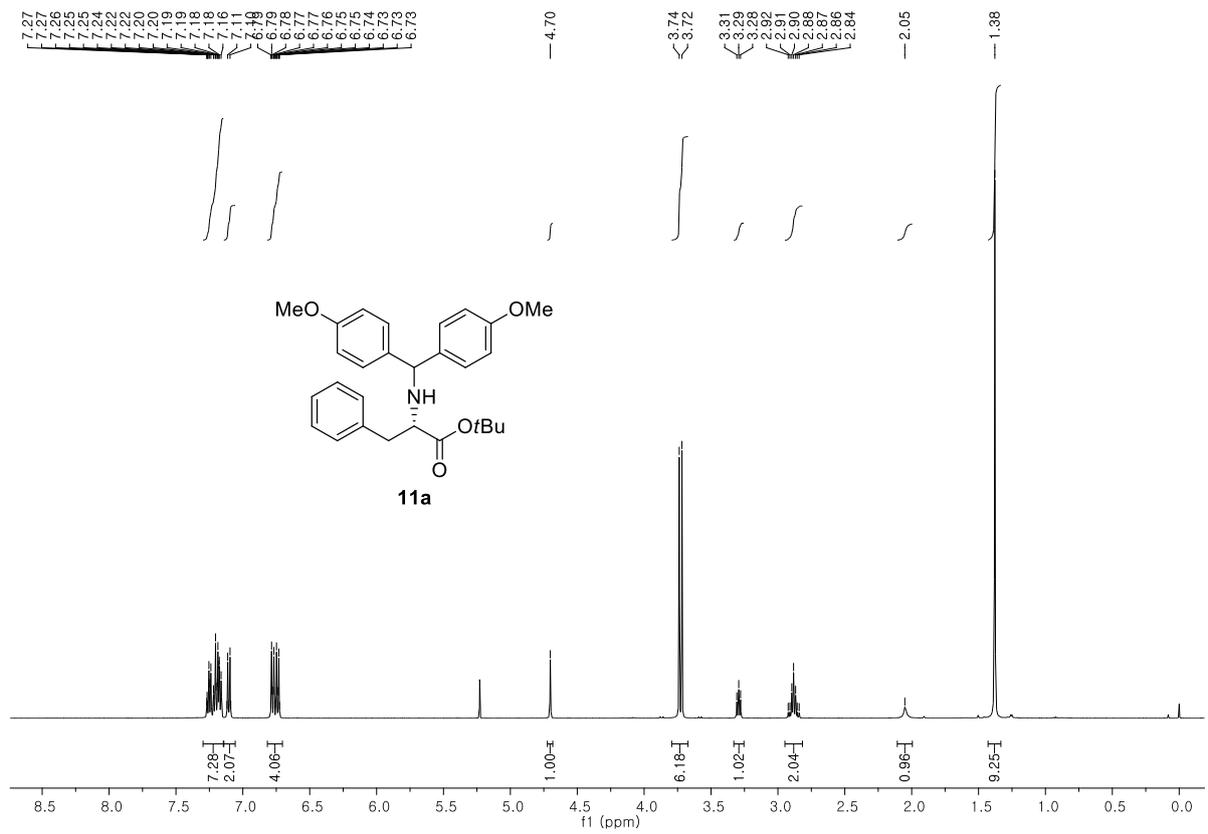


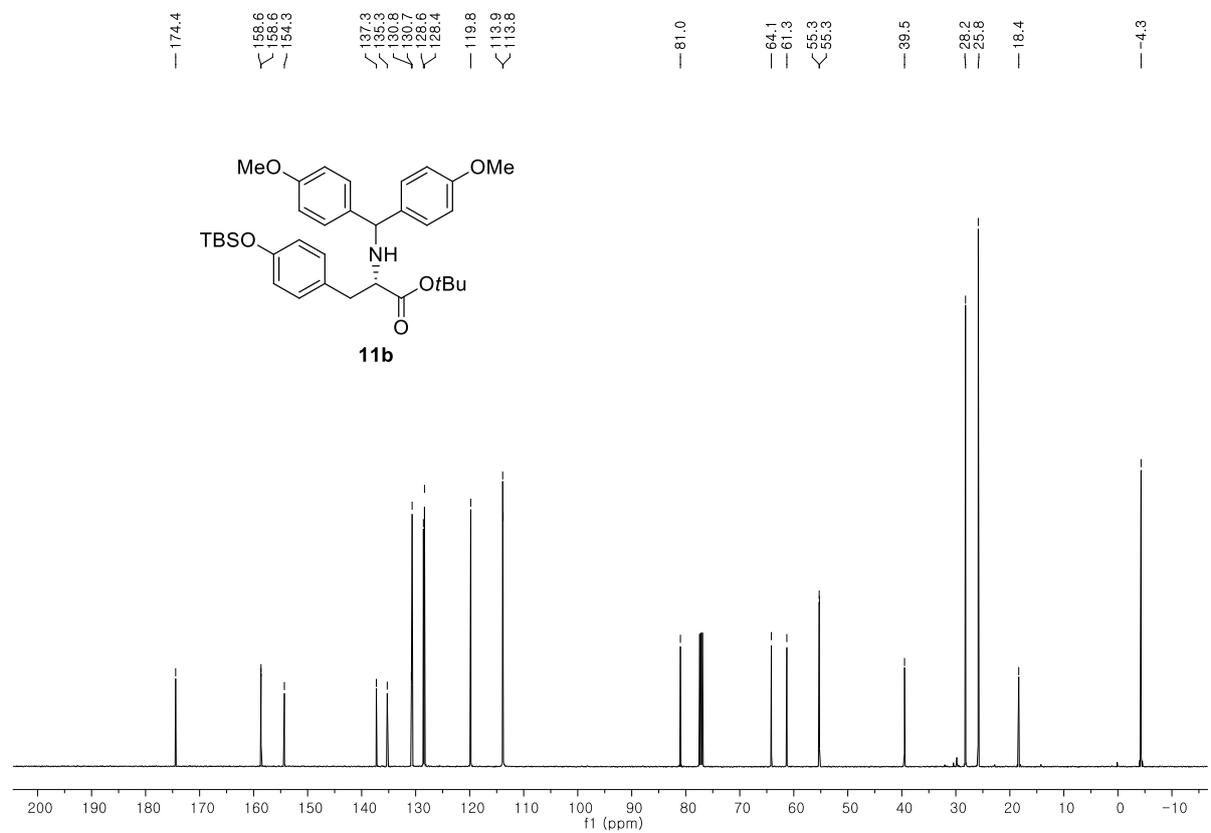
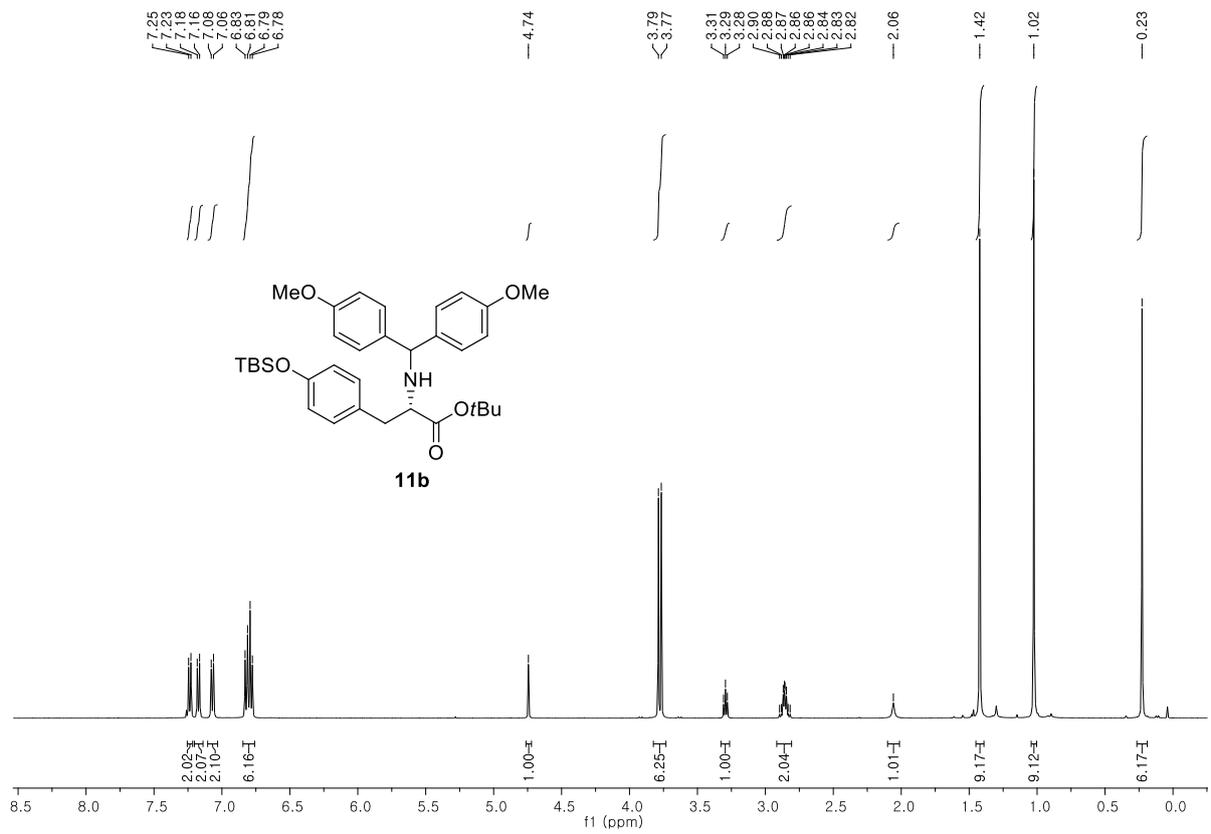


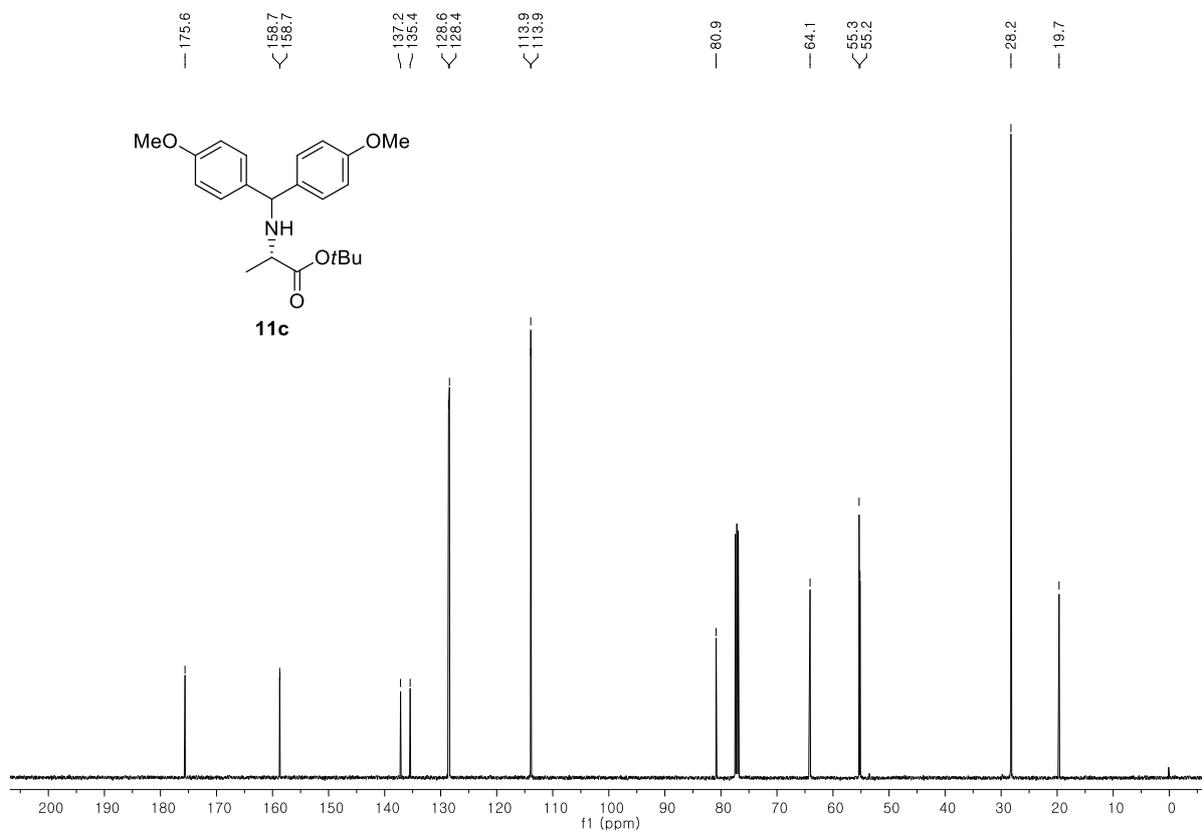
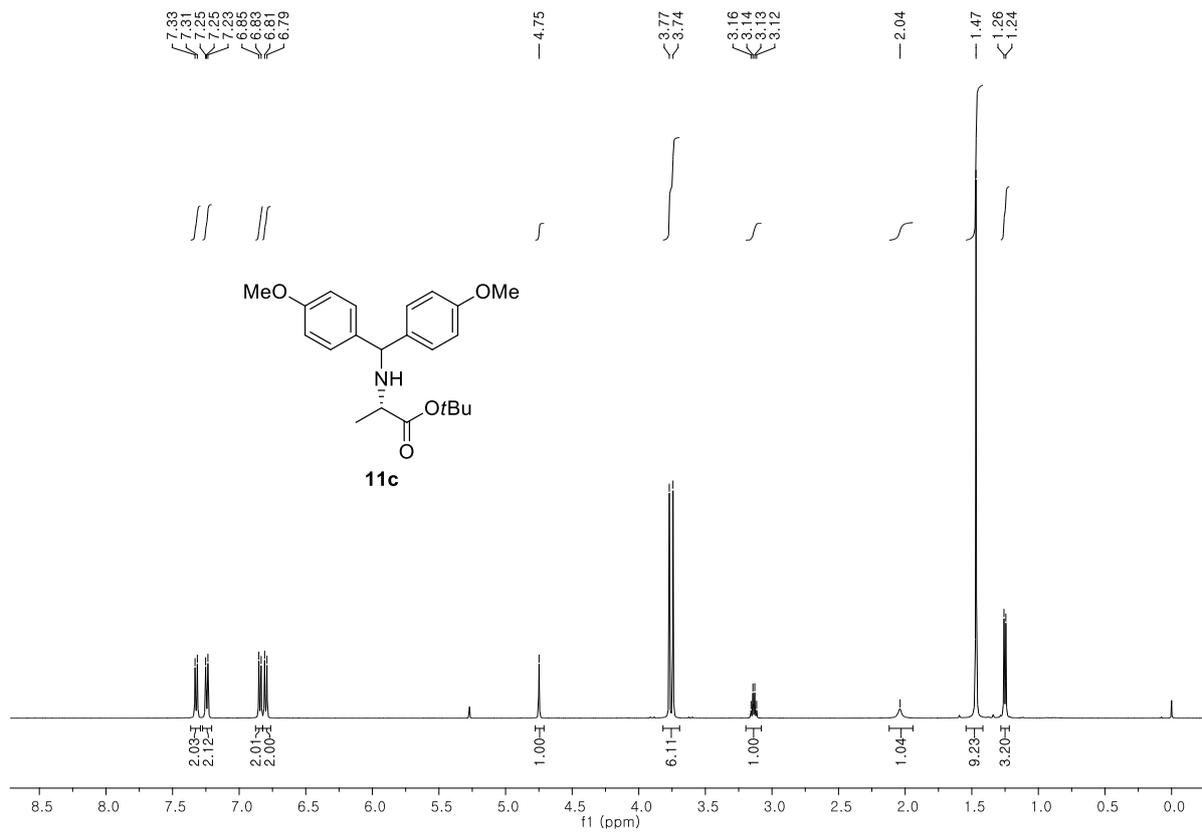


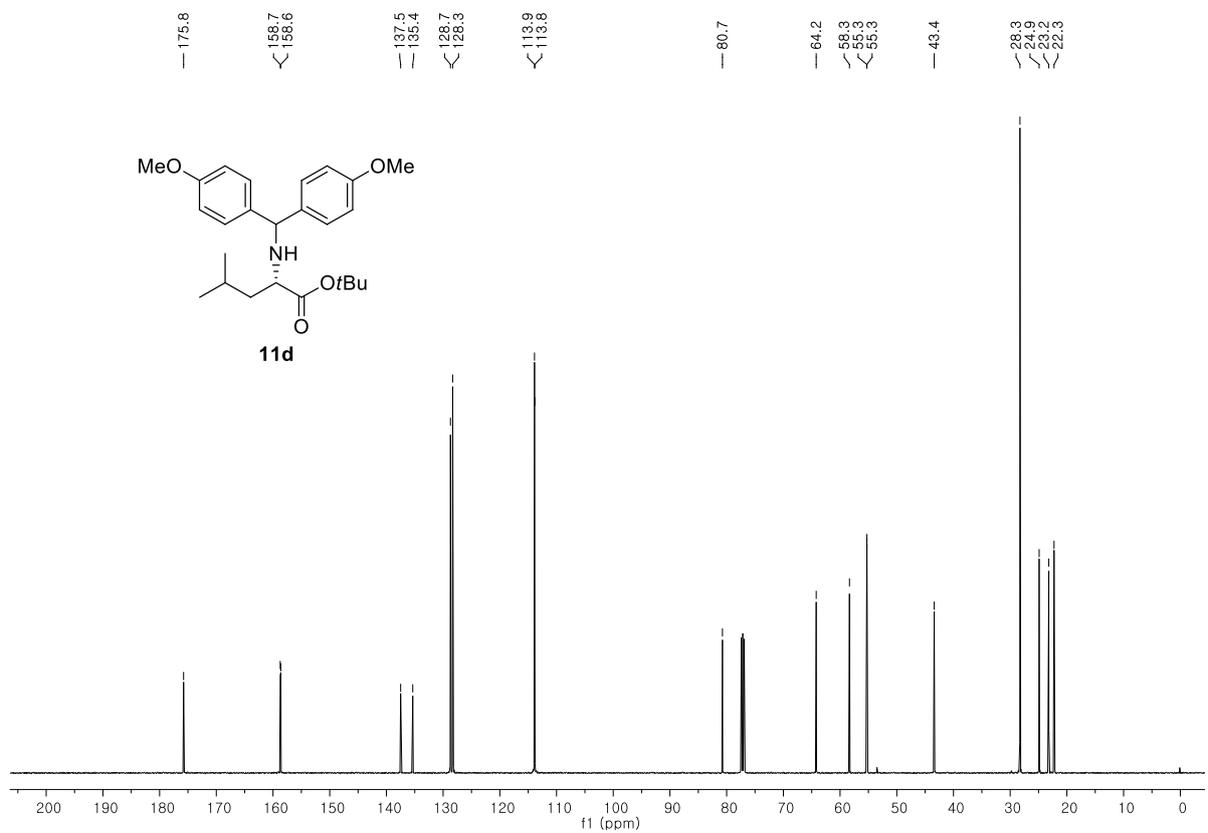
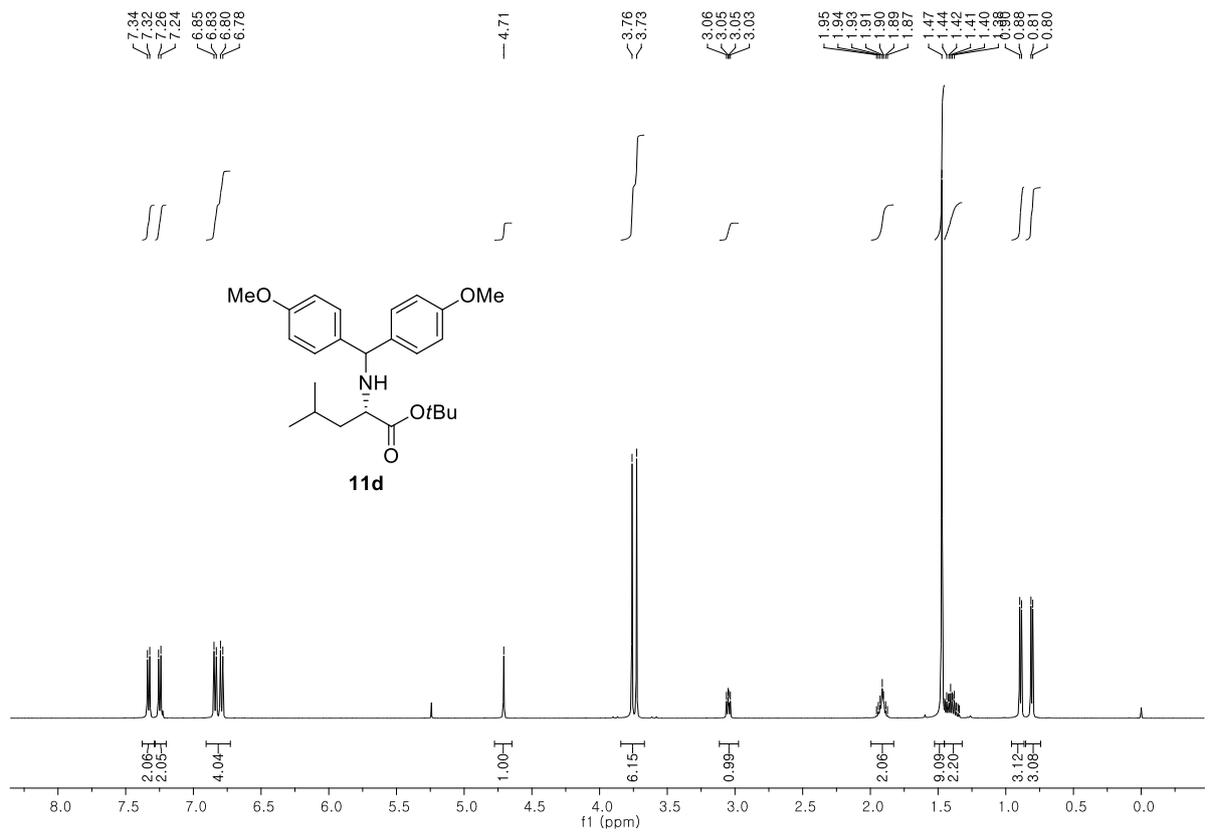


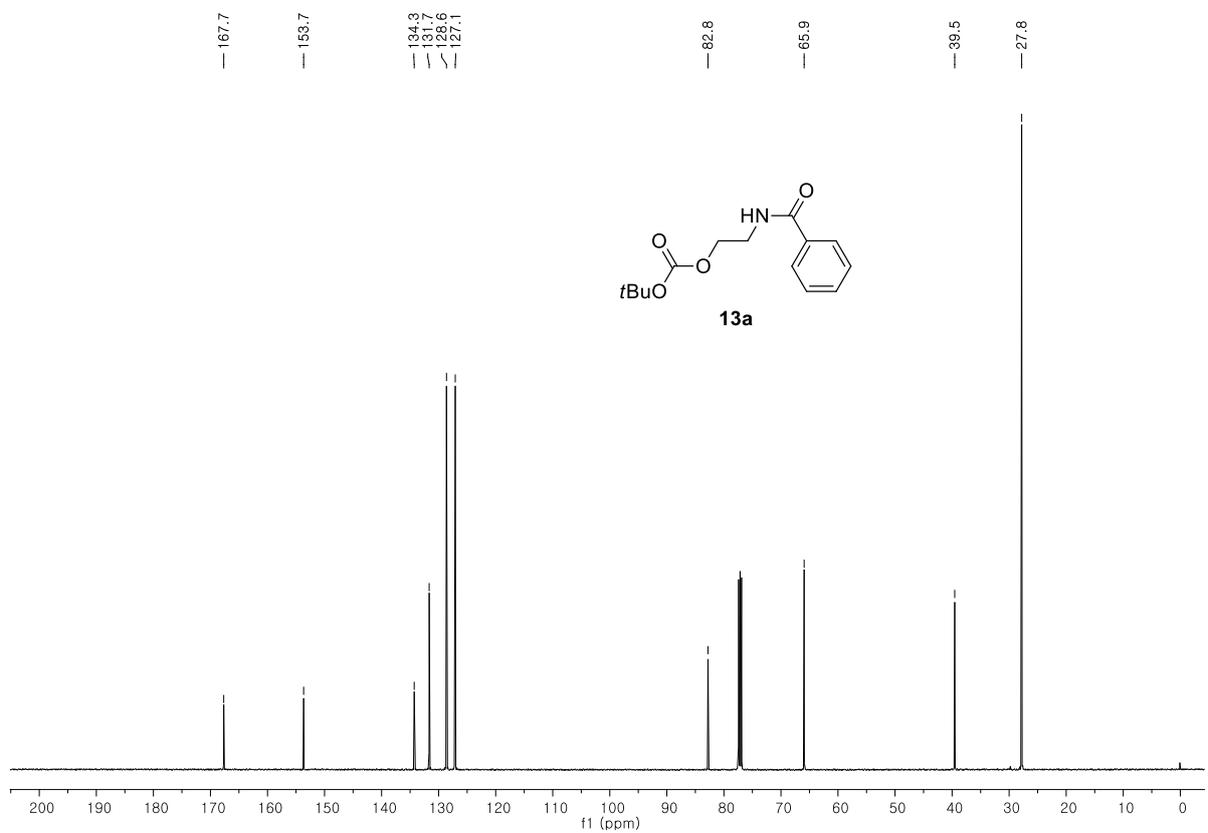
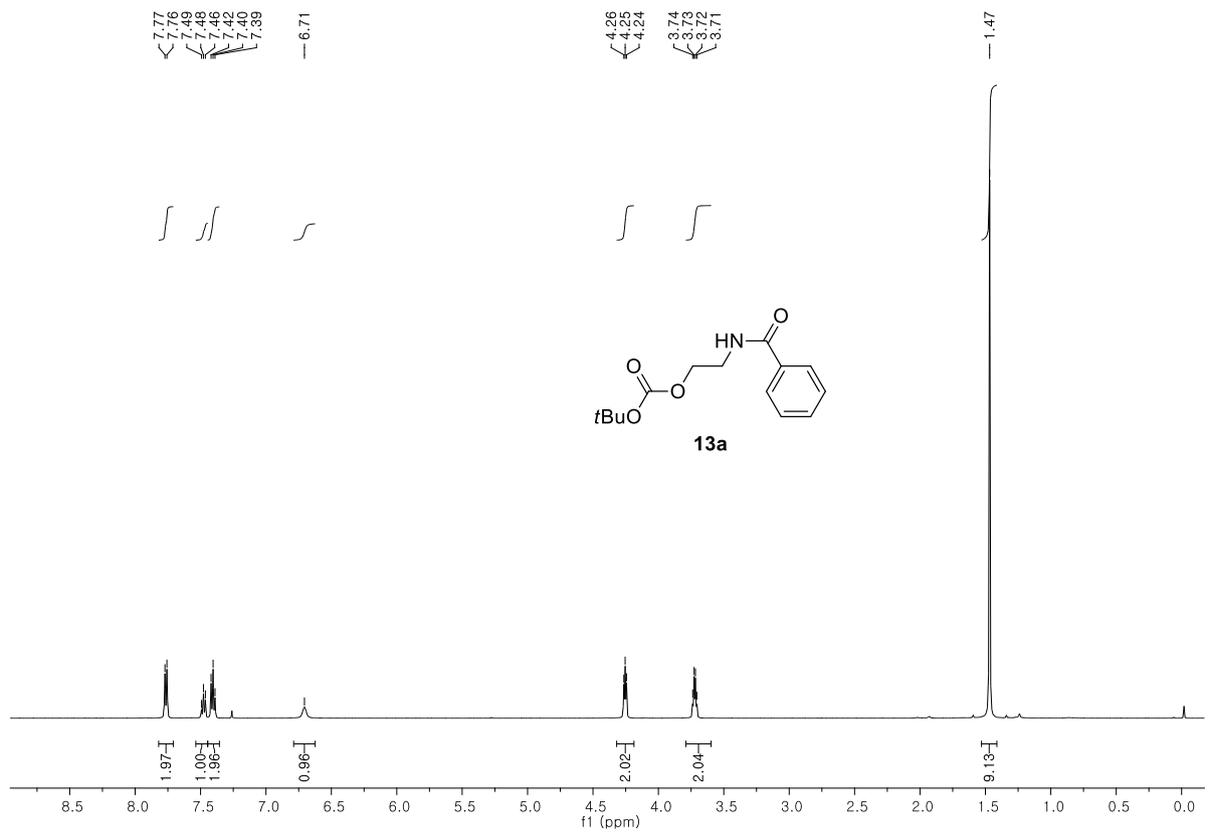


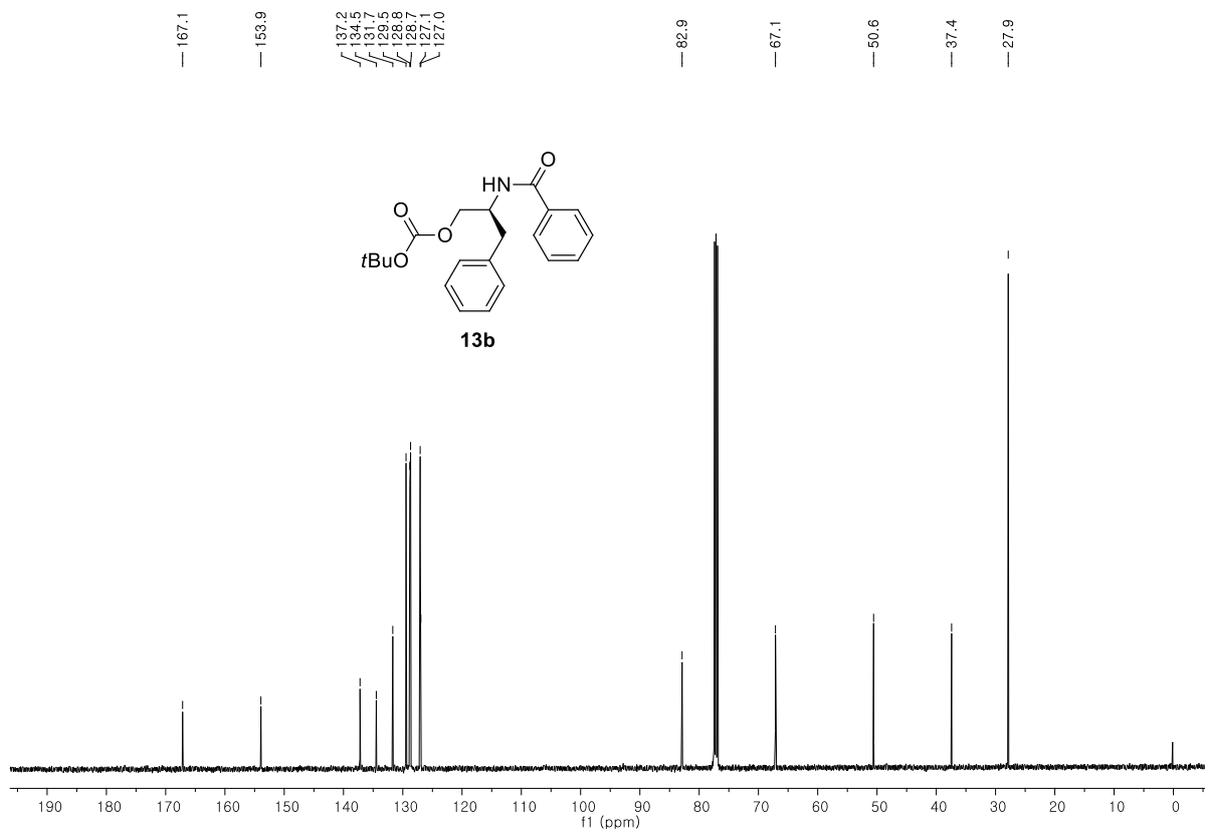
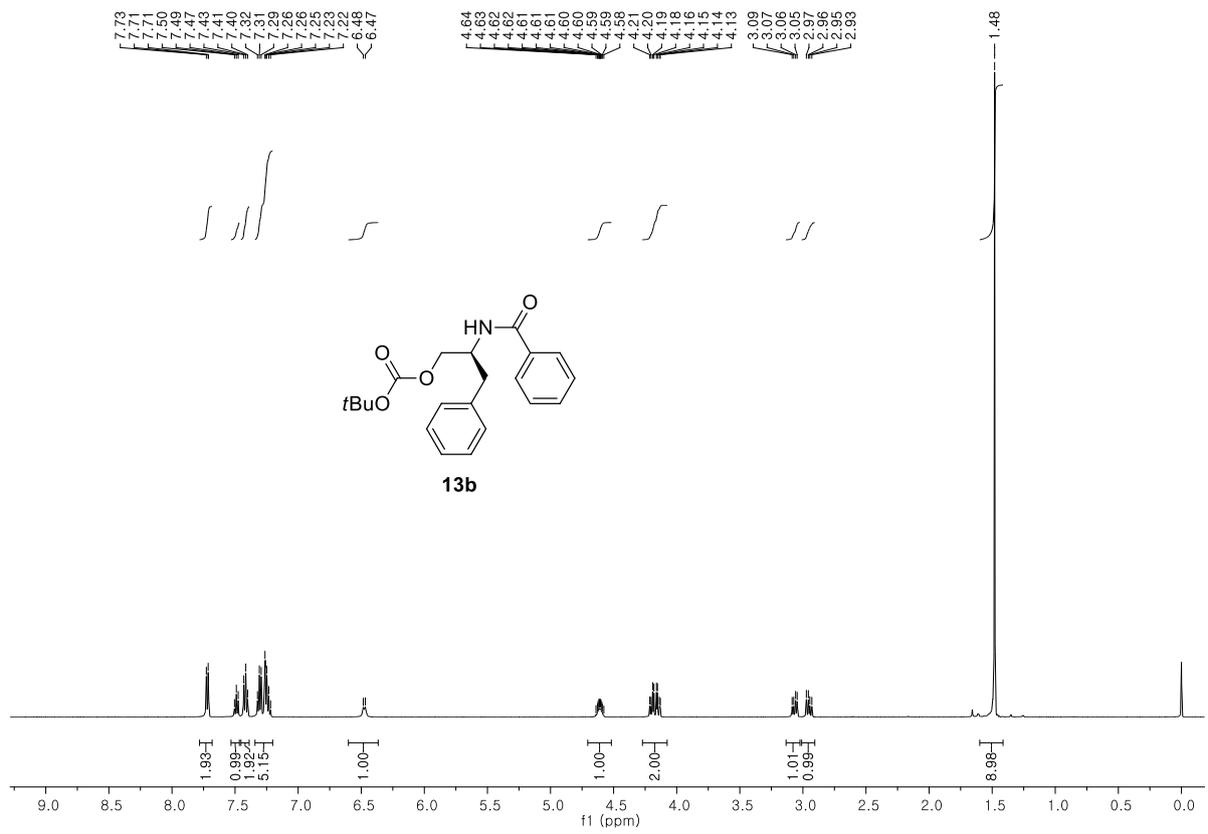


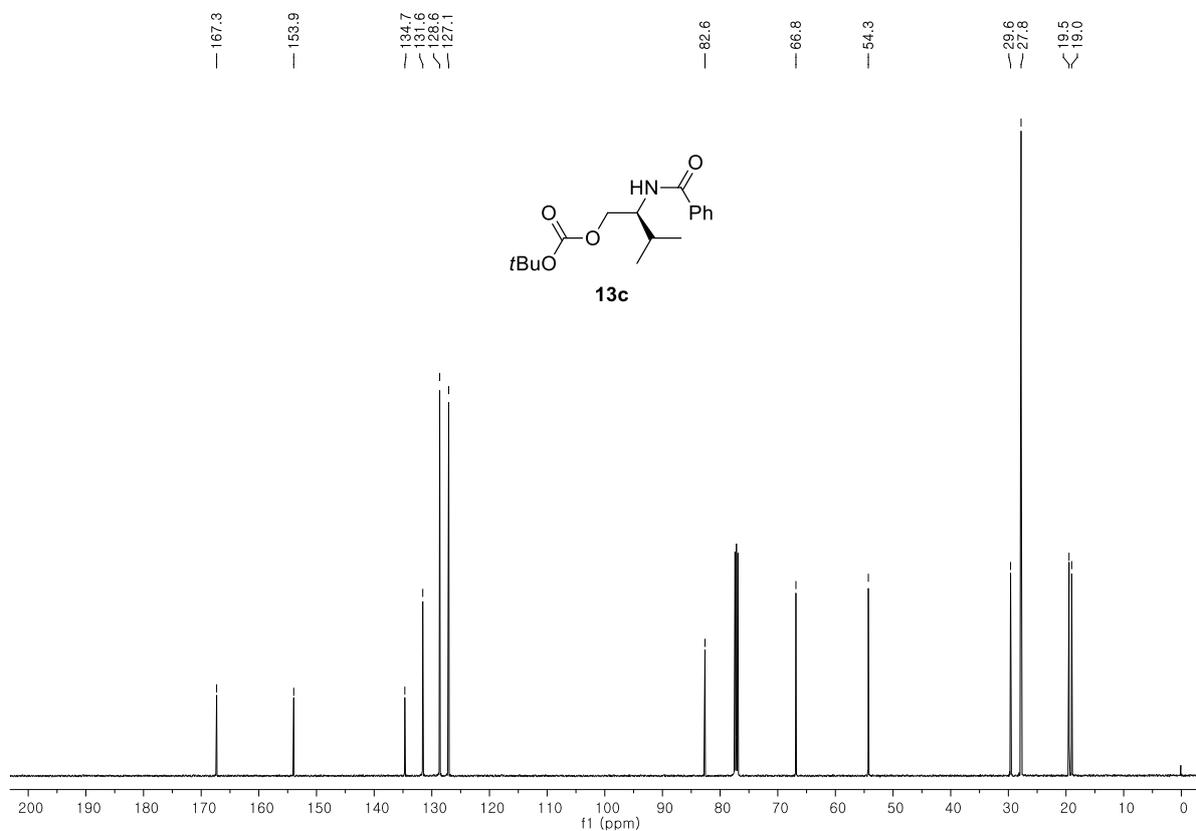
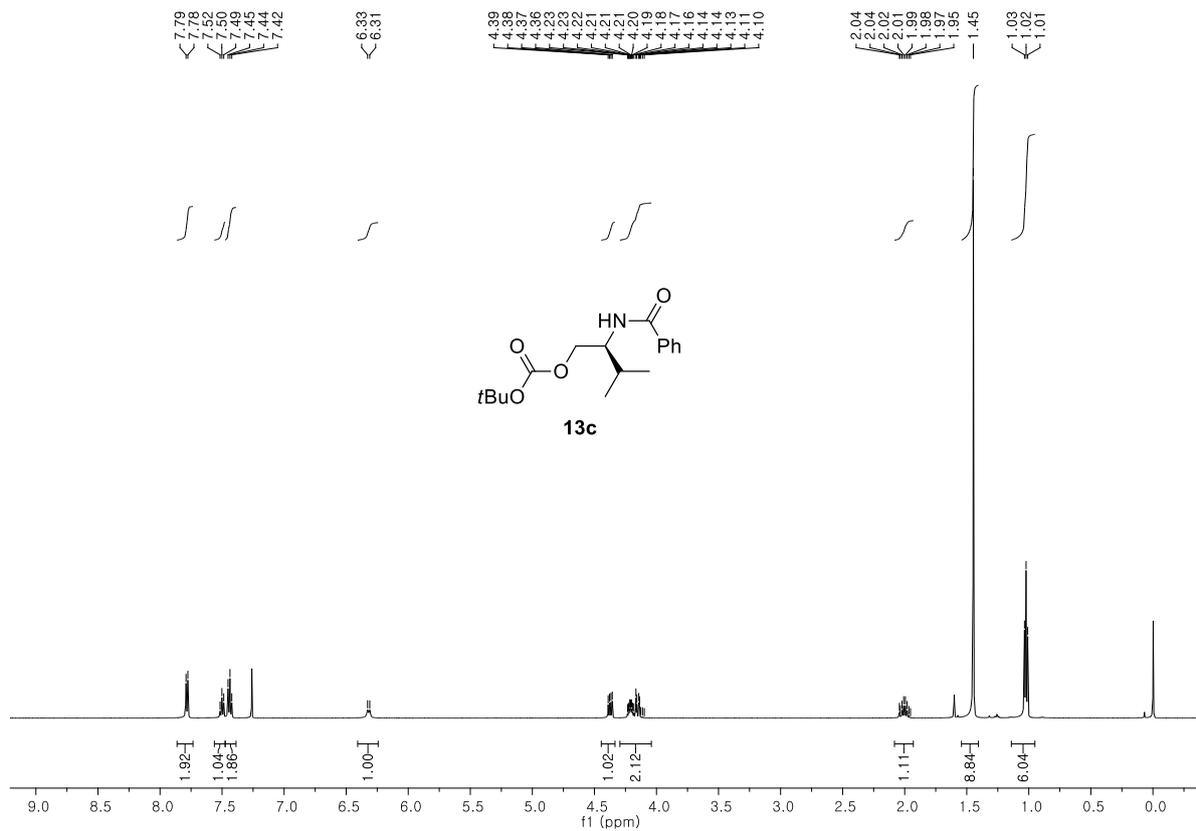




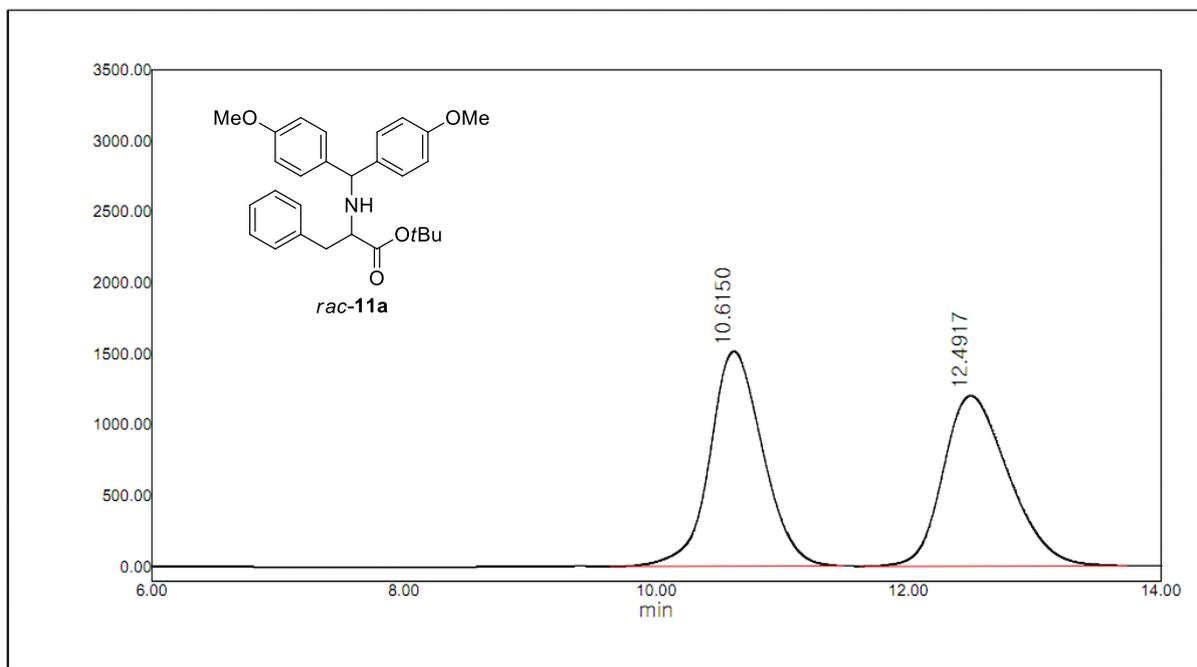




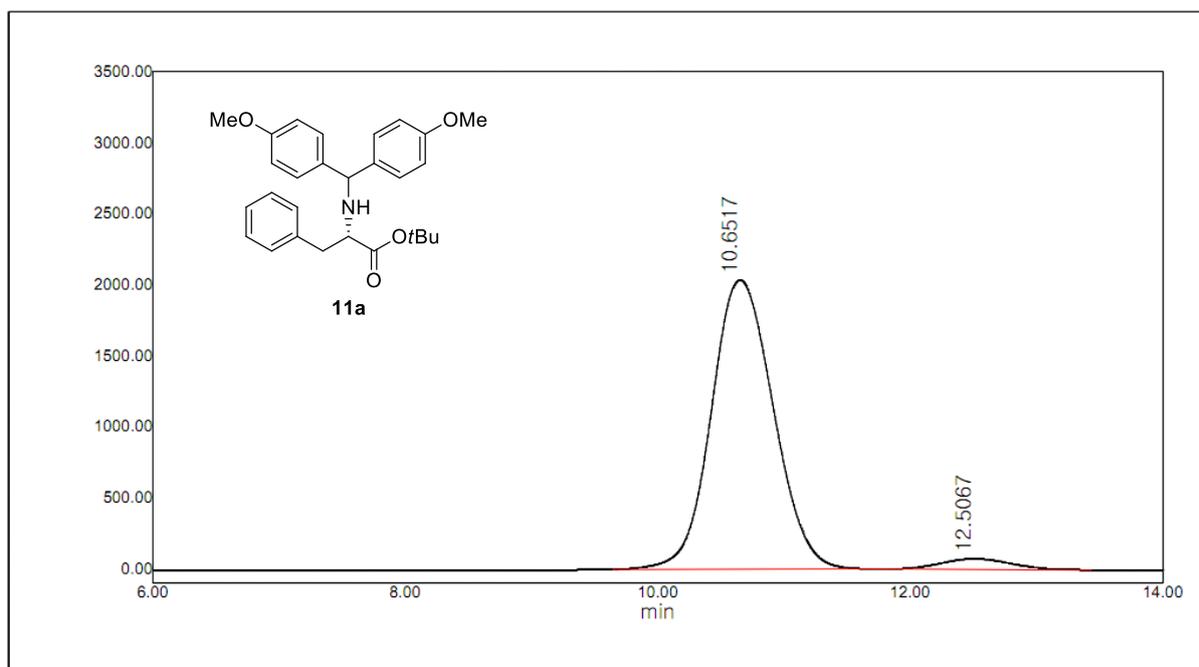




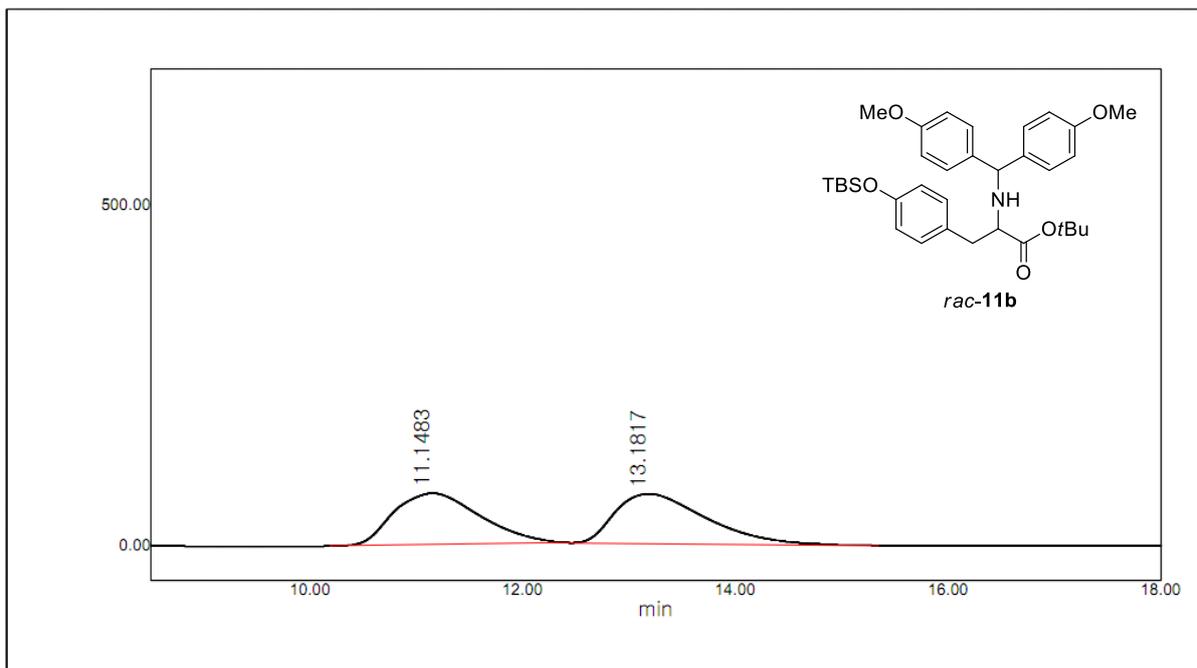
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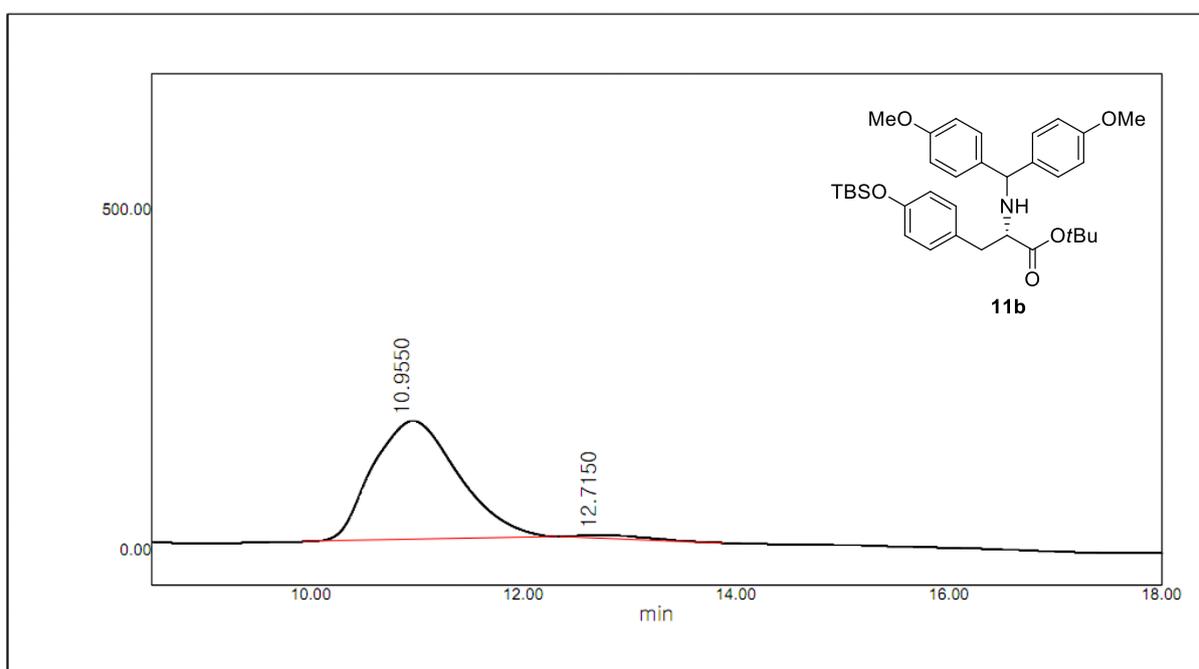
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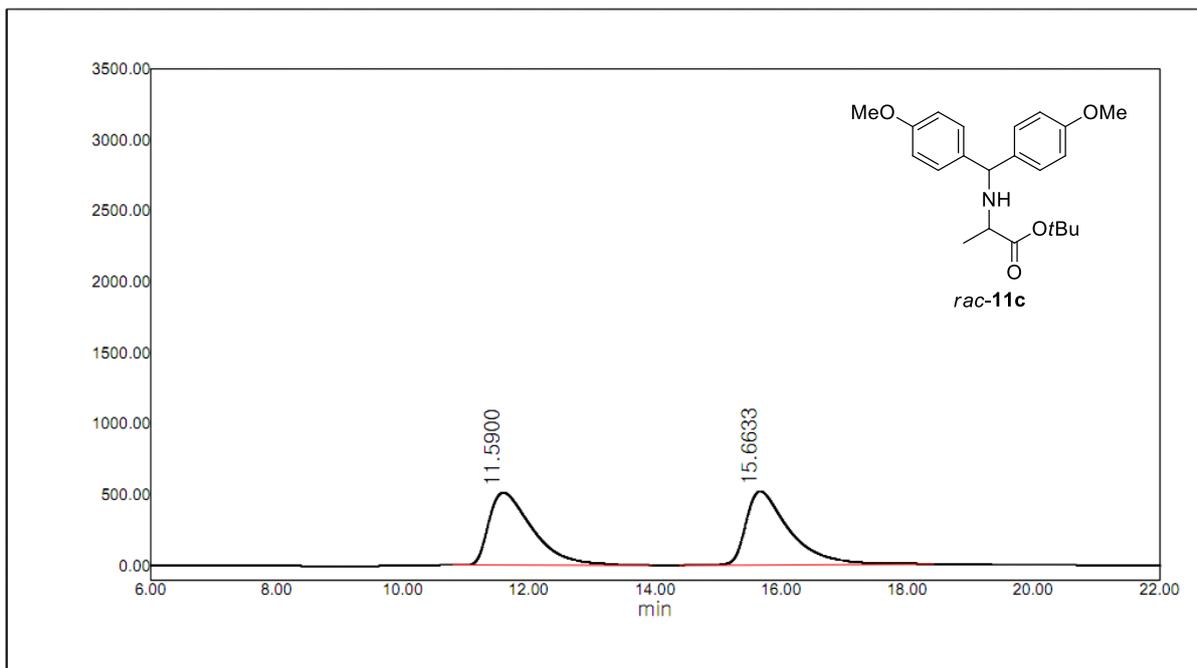
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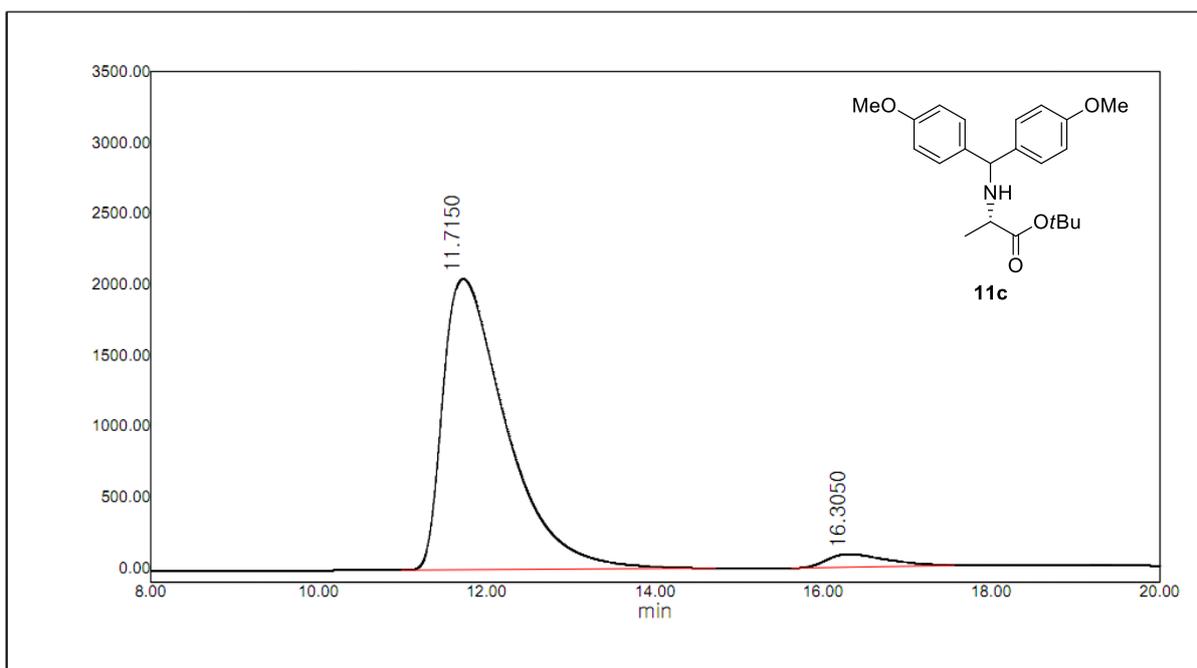
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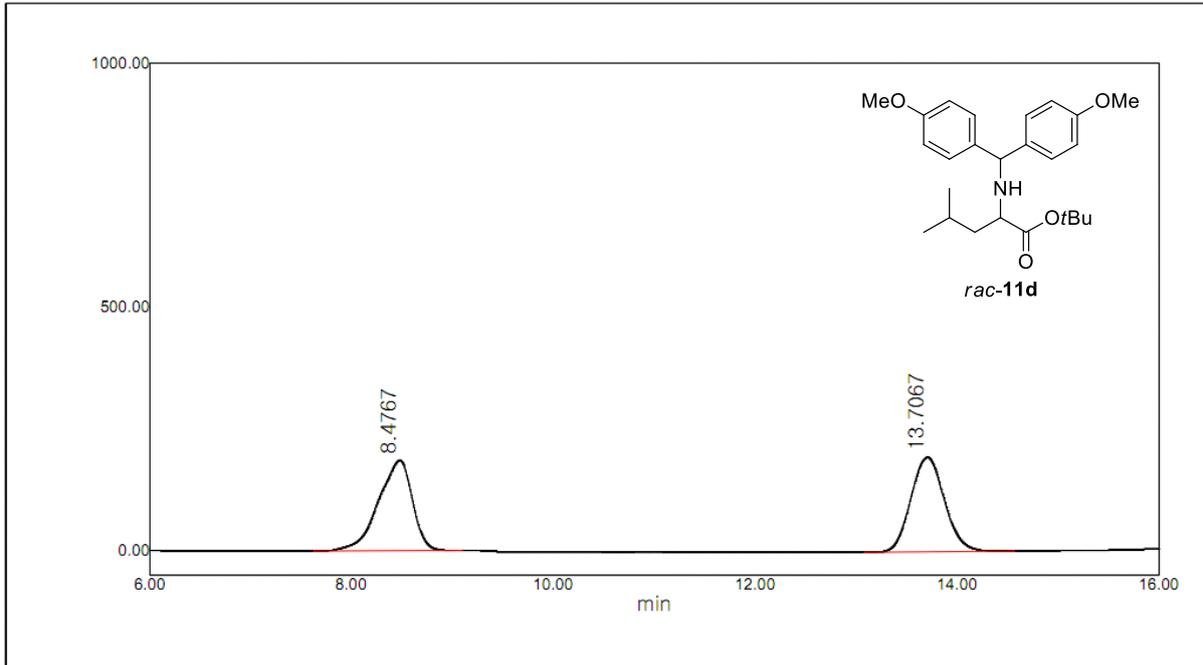
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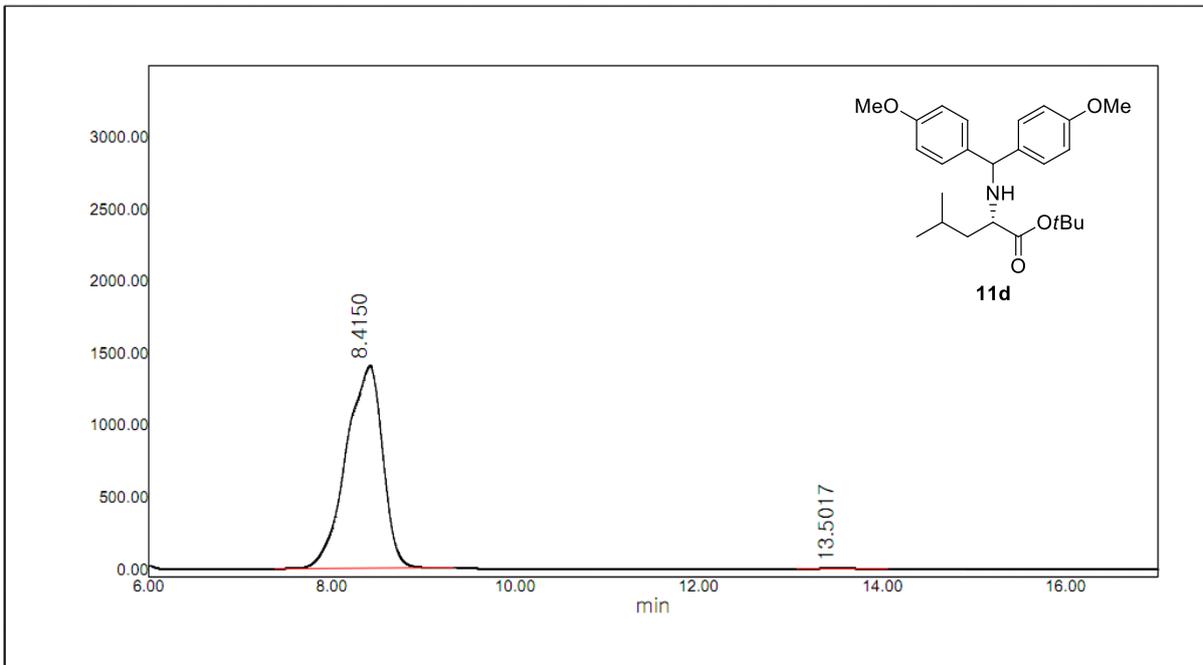
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1	11.7150	95.97
2	16.3050	4.03



Peak #	Time(min.)	Area(%)
1	8.4767	49.28
2	13.7067	50.72



Peak #	Time(min.)	Area(%)
1	8.4150	99.61
2	13.5017	0.39