

Supporting Information

Brønsted Acid-Catalyzed Enantioselective Addition of 1,3-Diones to *in situ* Generated *N*-Acyl Ketimines

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Materials and Methods:

Unless otherwise stated, all reactions were performed in oven-dried glassware fitted with rubber septa under an inert atmosphere and were stirred with Teflon-coated magnetic stirring bars. Liquid reagents and solvents were transferred *via* syringe using standard Schlenk techniques. Tetrahydrofuran (THF), toluene, and diethyl ether (Et_2O) were distilled over sodium/benzophenone ketyl. Dichloromethane (CH_2Cl_2), and CHCl_3 were distilled over calcium hydride. All other solvents and reagents were used as received unless otherwise noted. Reaction temperatures above 23 °C refer to oil bath temperature. Thin-layer chromatography was performed using silica gel 60 F-254 pre-coated plates (0.25 mm) and visualized by UV irradiation. Silica gel of particle size 100-200 mesh was used for column chromatography. ^1H , ^{13}C , spectra were recorded using 400, 500, and 700 MHz spectrometers. Chemical shifts (δ) are reported in ppm relative to the residual solvent (CDCl_3) signal ($\delta = 7.26$ ppm for ^1H NMR and $\delta = 77.0$ ppm for ^{13}C NMR) and ($\text{DMSO}-d_6$) signal ($\delta = 2.50$ ppm for ^1H NMR and $\delta = 39.9$ ppm for ^{13}C NMR). Data for ^1H NMR spectra are reported as follows: chemical shift (multiplicity, coupling constants, and a number of hydrogen). Abbreviations are as follows: s (singlet), d (doublet), t (triplet), q (quartet), quint (quintet), sept (septet), m (multiplet), br (broad). High-Resolution Mass Spectrometry (HRMS) data were recorded on TOF-Q-II mass spectrometer. Optical rotations were measured on a commercial automatic polarimeter. The enantiomeric ratio was determined by chiral HPLC analysis with Daicel Chiralcel OD-H and Daicel Chiraldak IA, IC, ID, AD-H, AS-H columns.

General Procedure for the Synthesis of 3-hydroxyisoindolin-1-ones (2a-o):

3-Hydroxyisoindolin-1-ones (**2a-o**) were prepared according to the literature known procedure.^{1,2}

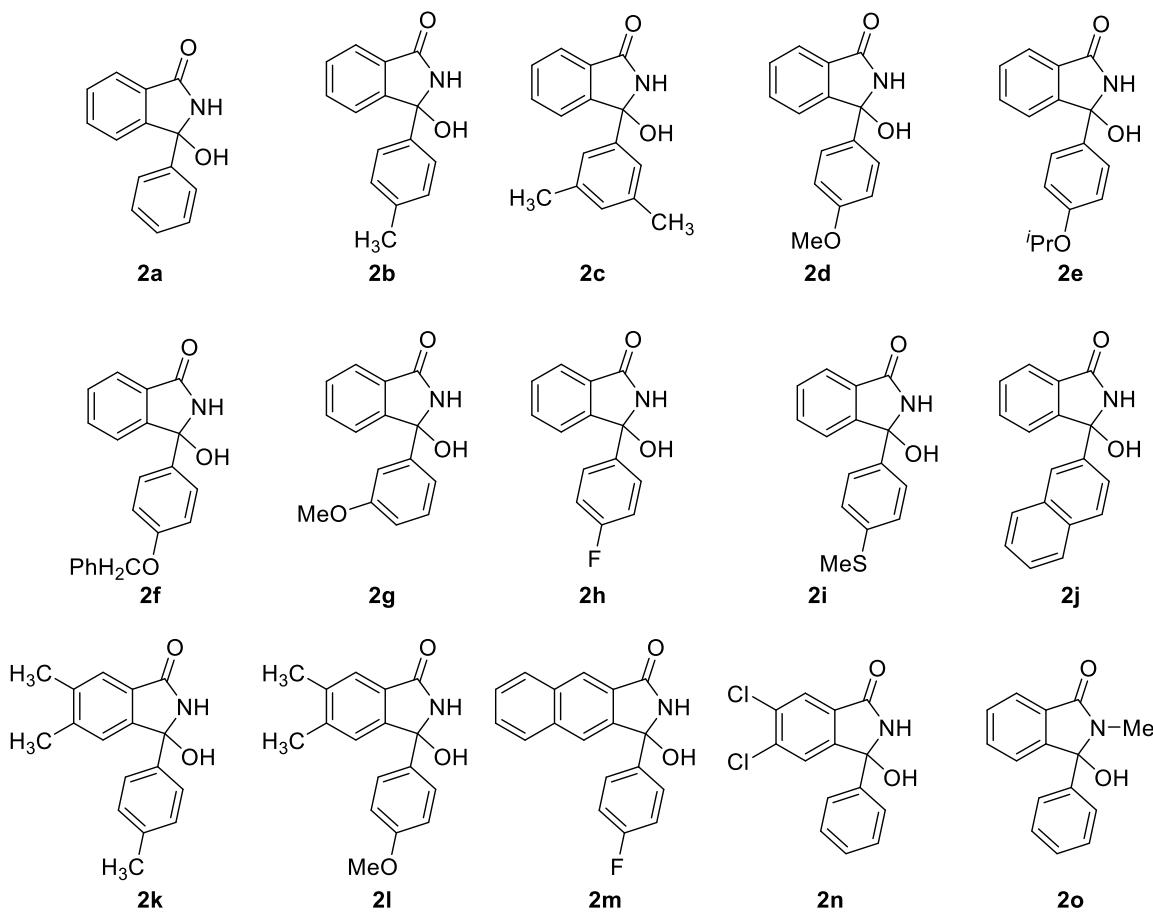
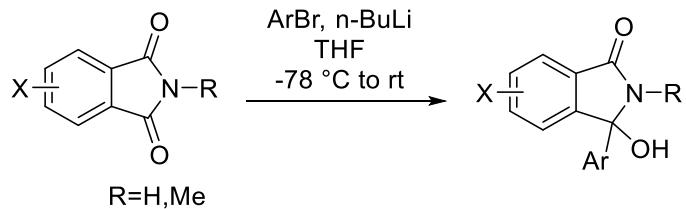


Figure 1. Structure of various substituted 3-hydroxyisoindolin-1-ones.

General Procedure for the Synthesis of 3-hydroxyisoindolin-1-ones (2a-n):^{1,2}



A solution of aryl/alkyl bromide (4.0 equiv) in THF (15 mL) was taken in an oven-dried RB flask and cooled to -78°C . The n -butyllithium solution (4.0 equiv, 1.6 M in hexane) was then slowly added at the same temperature and stirred for 30 min. A solution of phthalimide (1.0 equiv, 500 mg) in THF (15 mL) was added in one portion and stirred for another 15 min at -78°C . The reaction mixture was then brought to room temperature and stirred for 4 h. Upon completion (monitored by TLC), the reaction mixture was quenched with saturated NH_4Cl

solution and acidified by 1N HCl to pH 5.0. The aqueous solution was extracted with ethyl acetate (thrice). The combined organic layers were washed with brine and dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and concentrated *in vacuo*. The pure product was obtained by washing the crude product with CH₂Cl₂/hexane (1:3, v/v) as a solvent.

General Procedure for the Synthesis of 1,3-dicarbonyl compounds (3a-j):

Dicarbonyl compounds **3a-h** were prepared according to the literature known procedure and **3i-j** is commercially available.³

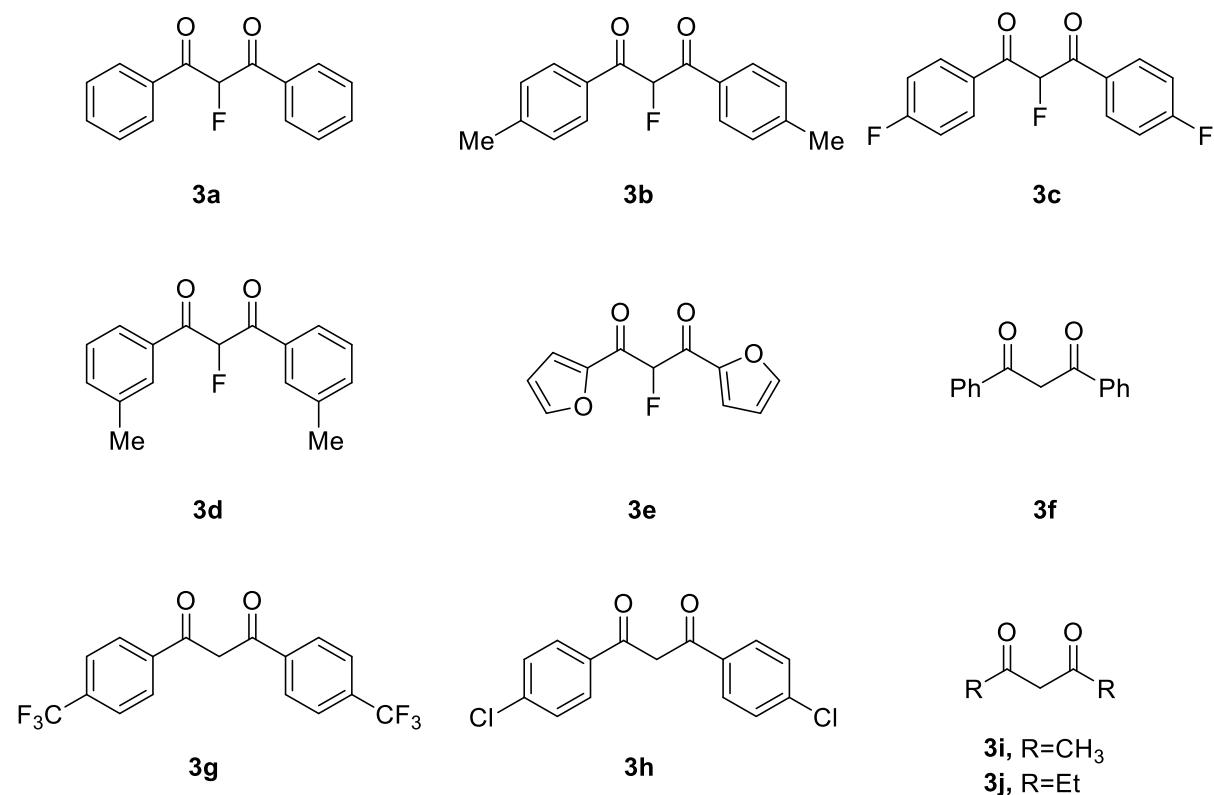
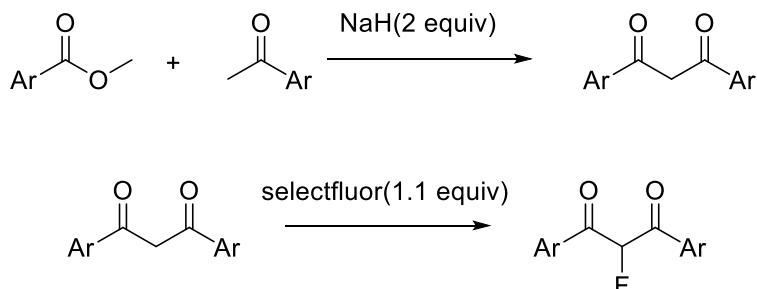


Figure 3.8. Structure of various dicarbonyl compounds

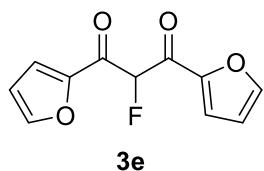
General Procedure for the Synthesis of dicarbonyl compounds (3a-h):



Step-I: To a solution of ketones (5 mmol, 1 equiv) in THF (20 mL), sodium hydride (10 mmol) was added slowly at 0 °C. Then ester (5 mmol, 1 equiv) was added dropwise to the solution at 0 °C. The mixture was stirred at ambient temperature for 4 h. Then the mixture was transferred to the ice-water (50 mL) and acidified by aqueous 3M HCl and extracted with EtOAc (50 mL x 3). The total organic layer was dried by sodium sulfate and evaporated under reduced pressure. The diketone product was purified by column chromatography.

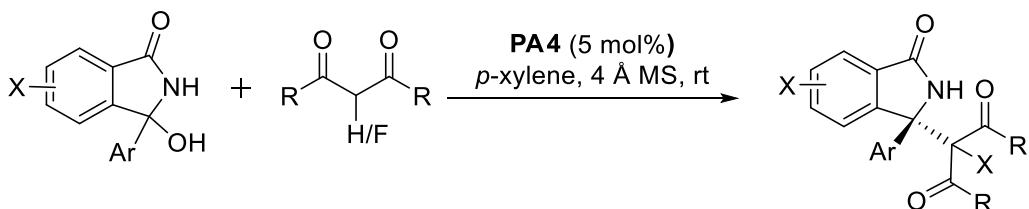
Step-II: The diketone (1 equiv, 5 mmol) and Selectfluor(1 equiv, 5 mmol) was added in CH₃CN (30 mL). Then the mixture was refluxed for 4 h for the full consumption of diketone monitoring by TLC. After consumption of diketone solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure, then extracted in DCM and wash with water and dried over Na₂SO₄. The product was purified by column chromatography.

2-fluoro-1,3-di(furan-2-yl)propane-1,3-dione (3e): Pale yellow solid, 956 mg, 86% yield. *R*_f



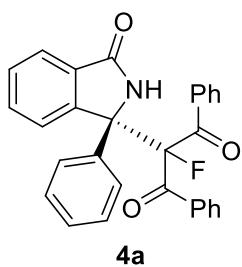
= 0.58 (40% EtOAc in hexanes) **MP:** 70–72 °C. **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.69 (s, 2H), 7.54 (s, 2H), 6.65 – 6.55 (m, 2H), 6.17 (d, *J* = 48.4 Hz, 1H). **¹³C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 178.3 (d, *J* = 21.6 Hz), 149.2, 148.8, 122.7 (d, *J* = 5.9 Hz), 113.0, 94.3 (d, *J* = 198.5 Hz). **¹⁹F NMR** (375 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -192.9. **HRMS** (ES+): Exact mass calcd for C₁₁H₇FNO₄Na[M+Na]⁺: 245.0221 Found: 245.0222.

General procedure for the enantioselective synthesis of 1,3-dione-based isoindolinones(4):



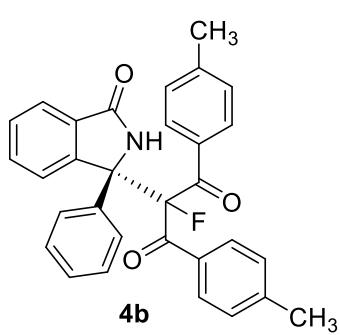
In a round-bottomed flask, 3-aryl-3-hydroxyisoindolinones **2** (0.2 mmol, 1 equiv), catalyst **PA4** (5 mol %), 1,3-dicarbonyls **3** (0.3 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and 50 mg 4Å MS were taken and anhydrous *p*-xylene (2.0 mL) was added to it. The mixture was stirred at room temperature (25 °C) for 24 h under a nitrogen atmosphere. After completion of the reaction (monitored by TLC), the residue was charged over a column packed with silica gel and purified by flash column chromatography using ethyl acetate and hexane as eluents to get the products **4**.

(S)-2-fluoro-2-(3-oxo-1-phenylisoindolin-1-yl)-1,3-diphenylpropane-1,3-dione(4a): Pale



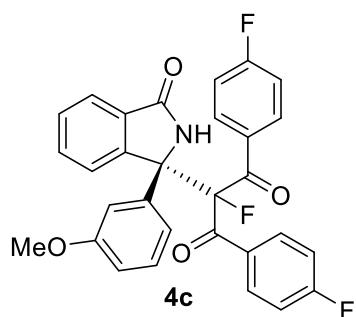
yellow solid, 88.09 mg, 98% yield. $R_f = 0.37$ (40% EtOAc in hexanes) **MP:** 178-180 °C. $[\alpha]_D^{22} = +373.43$ (CHCl_3 , $c = 0.9633$ for 93% ee). **HPLC** (Chiracel ODH, *n*-hexane/ *iso*-propanol = 90/10, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm): $t_R = 16.22$ min (major), 13.84 min (minor). **^1H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.72 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 3H), 7.60 (dd, $J = 8.0, 4.6$ Hz, 4H), 7.55 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.51 (s, 1H), 7.40 (dt, $J = 16.3, 7.7$ Hz, 4H), 7.30 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.24 (s, 2H), 7.19 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 2H). **^{13}C NMR** (175 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 193.5 (d, $J = 25.4$ Hz), 191.2 (d, $J = 23.4$ Hz), 169.3, 146.4, 139.5 (d, $J = 2.6$ Hz), 135.2 (d, $J = 3.9$ Hz), 134.3 (d, $J = 3.4$ Hz), 134.1, 133.4, 132.3, 131.2, 129.7, 129.6 (d, $J = 2.1$ Hz), 129.6, 129.4, 129.0, 128.8, 128.2, 128.2, 126.2 (d, $J = 3.5$ Hz), 125.9 (d, $J = 5.7$ Hz), 124.1, 108.5, 107.2, 69.4 (d, $J = 23.5$ Hz). **^{19}F NMR** (375 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -151.5. **HRMS** (ES+): Exact mass calcd for $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{21}\text{FNO}_3[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 450.1500 Found: 450.1525.

(S)-2-fluoro-2-(3-oxo-1-phenylisoindolin-1-yl)-1,3-di-p-tolylpropane-1,3-dione(4b):



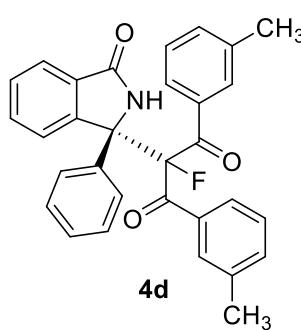
White solid, 90.73 mg, 95% yield. $R_f = 0.510$ (40% EtOAc in hexanes) **MP:** 60-62 °C. $[\alpha]_D^{22} = +307.196$ (CHCl_3 , $c = 1.07$ for 83% ee). **HPLC** (Chiracel ODH, *n*-hexane/ *iso*-propanol = 80/20, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm): $t_R = 10.05$ min (major), 8.73 min (minor). **^1H NMR** (700 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.78 (d, $J = 26.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.69 – 7.57 (m, 5H), 7.52 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.45 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.30 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 2H), 7.24 (d, $J = 15.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.15 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 6.99 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 2.35 (s, 3H), 2.28 (s, 3H). **^{13}C NMR** (175 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 192.7 (d, $J = 25.0$ Hz), 190.6 (d, $J = 23.4$ Hz), 169.6 (d, $J = 3.2$ Hz), 146.6, 145.3, 144.5, 139.5, 132.4 (d, $J = 3.9$ Hz), 132.3, 131.7 (d, $J = 3.6$ Hz), 131.2, 130.3, 129.9, 129.9, 129.8, 129.4, 129.3, 129.1, 128.9, 128.9, 128.1, 126.2, 126.0 (d, $J = 5$ Hz), 124.0, 108.4, 107.2, 69.6 (d, $J = 23.7$ Hz), 21.8, 21.7. **HRMS** (ES+): Exact mass calcd for $\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{24}\text{FNO}_3[\text{M}+\text{K}]^+$: 516.1372 Found: 516.1395.

(S)-2-fluoro-1,3-bis(4-fluorophenyl)-2-(1-(3-methoxyphenyl)-3-oxoindolin-1-yl)propane-1,3-dione(4c):



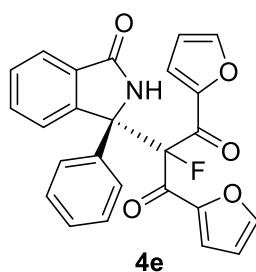
White solid, 91.75 mg, 89% yield. $R_f = 0.44$ (40% EtOAc in hexanes) **MP:** 100-102 °C. $[\alpha]_D^{22} = +171.62$ (CHCl_3 , $c = 0.32$ for 81% ee). **HPLC** (Chiralpak ASH, *n*-hexane/ *iso*-propanol = 50/50, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm): $t_R = 45.09$ min (major), 17.67 min (minor). **1H NMR** (700 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.80 – 7.74 (m, 2H), 7.72 (d, $J = 5.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.65 (dd, $J = 8.6$, 5.3 Hz, 2H), 7.55 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.46 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.43 (s, 1H), 7.31 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.19 (d, $J = 5.7$ Hz, 2H), 7.12 (s, 1H), 7.06 (t, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 6.85 (t, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 6.78 (dt, $J = 6.3$, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 3.69 (s, 3H). **13C NMR** (175 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 191.5 (d, $J = 25.1$ Hz), 189.4 (d, $J = 23.8$ Hz), 169.2, 167.0, 166.4, 165.5, 165.0, 160.0, 146.2, 141.1 (d, $J = 2.8$ Hz), 132.8 – 132.6 (m), 132.5, 132.5 (d, $J = 3.4$ Hz), 132.4, 131.2 (d, $J = 4.3$ Hz), 130.5 (t, $J = 3.3$ Hz), 130.2, 129.6, 126.1, 124.2, 117.8 (d, $J = 6.6$ Hz), 116.2 (d, $J = 22.1$ Hz), 115.6 (d, $J = 21.7$ Hz), 113.3, 111.9 (d, $J = 5.2$ Hz), 108.7, 107.5, 69.3 (d, $J = 23.3$ Hz), 55.3. **HRMS** (ES+): Exact mass calcd for $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{20}\text{F}_3\text{NO}_4\text{Na}[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 538.1237 Found: 538.1230.

(S)-2-fluoro-2-(3-oxo-1-phenylisoindolin-1-yl)-1,3-di-m-tolylpropane-1,3-dione



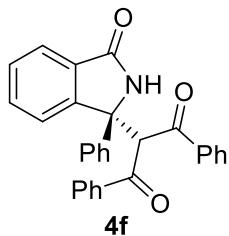
(4d): White solid, 89.77 mg, 94% yield. $R_f = 0.44$ (40% EtOAc in hexanes) **MP:** 158-160 °C. $[\alpha]_D^{22} = -14.77$. (CHCl_3 , $c = 0.44$ for 80% ee). **HPLC** (Chiralcel ODH, *n*-hexane/ *iso*-propanol = 90/10, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm): $t_R = 16.52$ min (major), 13.31 min (minor). **1H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.73 (dd, $J = 7.7$, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 2H), 7.58 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.53 (d, $J = 9.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.43 (t, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.37 – 7.27 (m, 4H), 7.21 (dd, $J = 17.4$, 7.4 Hz, 4H), 7.08 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 2.28 (s, 3H), 2.21 (s, 3H). **13C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 193.6 (d, $J = 25.5$ Hz), 191.4 (d, $J = 23.6$ Hz), 169.3, 146.5, 139.5, 138.6, 137.9, 135.1 (d, $J = 3.7$ Hz), 134.8, 134.3 (d, $J = 3.7$ Hz), 134.1, 132.1, 131.2, 130.1, 130.0 (d, $J = 3.3$ Hz), 129.2, 128.9, 128.5, 128.0 (d, $J = 3.9$ Hz), 126.7 (dd, $J = 7.2$, 5.4 Hz), 126.2, 125.9 (d, $J = 5.5$ Hz), 123.9, 108.8, 106.7, 69.4 (d, $J = 23.7$ Hz), 21.3, 21.2. **19F NMR** (375 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -150.9. **HRMS** (ES+): Exact mass calcd for $\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{24}\text{FNO}_3\text{Na}[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 500.1632 Found: 500.1621.

(S)-2-fluoro-1,3-di(furan-2-yl)-2-(3-oxo-1-phenylisoindolin-1-yl)propane-1,3-dione(4e):



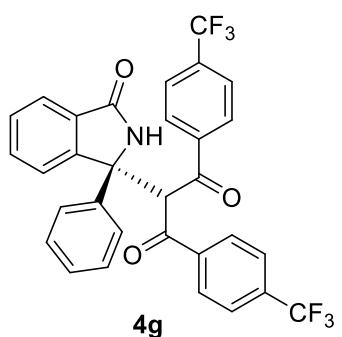
Pale yellow solid, 58.39 mg, 68% yield. $R_f = 0.11$ (40% EtOAc in hexanes) **MP:** 171–173 °C. $[\alpha]_D^{22} = +253$ (CHCl₃, c = 2.03 for 26% ee). **HPLC** (Chiralpak ADH, *n*-hexane/ *iso*-propanol = 60/40, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm): $t_R = 49.08$ min (major), 26.26 min (minor). **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.81 (d, *J* = 5.1 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 4H), 7.58 (s, 1H), 7.50 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (s, 1H), 7.35 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 7.28 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.23 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 7.16 (t, *J* = 3.8 Hz, 1H), 6.48 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 6.36 (d, *J* = 4.7 Hz, 1H). **¹³C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 179.2 (d, *J* = 24.6 Hz), 176.9 (d, *J* = 25.7 Hz), 169.1, 149.5 (d, *J* = 4.1 Hz), 149.4 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz), 148.8, 148.4, 146.0, 138.5 (d, *J* = 2.6 Hz), 132.3, 131.1, 129.5, 128.9, 128.3, 126.3 (d, *J* = 5.5 Hz), 125.9 (d, *J* = 3.6 Hz), 124.1, 122.8, 122.7 (d, *J* = 3.6 Hz), 122.6, 112.9 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz), 112.5 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz), 105.4, 103.3, 68.9 (d, *J* = 23.3 Hz). **¹⁹F NMR** (375 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -157.7. **HRMS** (ES+): Exact mass calcd for C₂₅H₁₇FNO₅[M+H]⁺: 430.1085 Found: 430.1114.

(S)-2-(3-oxo-1-phenylisoindolin-1-yl)-1,3-diphenylpropane-1,3-dione(4f): White solid,



83.70 mg, 97% yield. $R_f = 0.26$ (40% EtOAc in hexanes) **MP:** 231–233 °C. $[\alpha]_D^{22} = +416.90$ (CHCl₃, c = 0.33 for 93% ee). **HPLC** (Chiralpak IA, *n*-hexane/ *iso*-propanol = 60/40, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm): $t_R = 15.15$ min (major), 9.94 min (minor). **¹H NMR** (500 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 8.60 (s, 1H), 8.03 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.99 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.85 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 3H), 7.61 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (dq, *J* = 15.6, 7.5 Hz, 4H), 7.35 – 7.25 (m, 6H), 7.19 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.12 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H). **¹³C NMR** (125 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 194.3, 193.5, 168.4, 148.0, 142.5, 136.0 (d, *J* = 25.4 Hz), 133.9, 133.4, 131.6, 130.3, 129.0, 128.7, 128.6, 128.3, 128.2, 127.2, 124.8, 124.7, 122.5, 67.5, 60.3. **HRMS** (ES+): Exact mass calcd for C₂₉H₂₁NO₃Na[M+Na]⁺: 454.1414 Found: 454.1411.

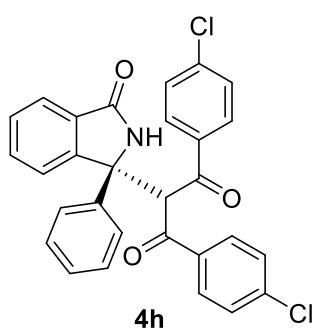
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dione(4g): White solid, 99.87 mg, 88% yield. $R_f = 0.63$ (40% EtOAc in hexanes) **MP:** 212–214 °C. $[\alpha]_D^{22} = +194.24$ (CHCl₃, c = 0.33 for 43% ee). **HPLC** (Chiralpak IA, *n*-hexane/ *iso*-propanol = 70/30, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm): $t_R = 16.42$ min (major), 6.51 min (minor). **¹H NMR** (500 MHz, DMSO) δ 8.89 (s, 1H), 8.22 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 8.07 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.91 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H),

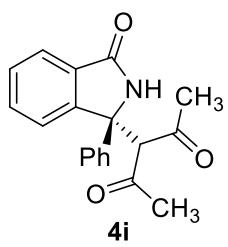
7.80 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 3H), 7.63 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.57 (s, 1H), 7.29 (dt, $J = 22.3, 7.9$ Hz, 4H), 7.20 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.10 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H). **^{13}C NMR** (125 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 194.4, 193.8, 168.4, 147.7, 142.2, 139.5, 139.3, 133.2, 132.2, 131.7, 130.4, 129.2, 129.0, 128.7, 128.4, 127.3, 126.2, 125.1, 124.8, 124.7, 122.6, 122.5, 67.4, 61.9. **^{19}F NMR** (375 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ -61.8, -61.9. **HRMS** (ES+): Exact mass calcd for C₃₁H₂₀F₆NO₃[M+H]⁺: 568.1342 Found: 568.1345.

(S)-1,3-bis(4-chlorophenyl)-2-(3-oxo-1-phenylisoindolin-1-yl)propane-1,3-dione(4h):



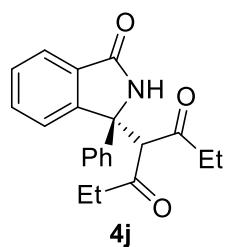
White solid, 91.06 mg, 91% yield. R_f = 0.40 (40% EtOAc in hexanes) **MP:** 216-218 °C. $[\alpha]_D^{22} = +79.11$ (CHCl₃, c = 0.38 for 90% ee). **HPLC** (Chiralpak IA, *n*-hexane/ *iso*-propanol = 60/40, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm): t_R = 22.33 min (major), 7.98 min (minor). **^1H NMR** (500 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 8.71 (s, 1H), 7.99 (dd, $J = 20.5, 8.3$ Hz, 4H), 7.81 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 3H), 7.60 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.42 (s, 1H), 7.34 (dt, $J = 25.8, 8.1$ Hz, 6H), 7.18 (dt, $J = 15.2, 7.3$ Hz, 2H). **^{13}C NMR** (175 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 193.2, 192.8, 168.4, 147.9, 142.3, 139.0, 138.5, 134.8, 134.6, 133.3, 132.4, 131.8, 130.6, 130.4, 130.1, 129.4, 129.3, 129.0, 128.7, 128.5, 128.3, 128.2, 127.3, 125.5, 124.8, 124.7, 122.7, 67.5, 60.8. **HRMS** (ES+): Exact mass calcd for C₂₉H₁₉Cl₂NO₃Na[M+Na]⁺: 522.0634 Found: 522.0642.

(S)-3-(3-oxo-1-phenylisoindolin-1-yl)pentane-2,4-dionePale(4i): White solid, 59.01 mg,



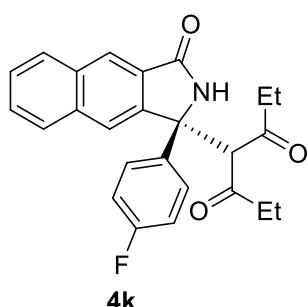
96% yield. R_f = 0.2 (50% EtOAc in hexanes) **MP:** 70-72 °C. $[\alpha]_D^{22} = +306.30$ (CHCl₃, c = 0.91 for 81% ee). **HPLC** (Chiralpak ODH, *n*-hexane/ *iso*-propanol = 80/20, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm): t_R = 10.50 min (major), 13.12 min (minor). **^1H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.81 (s, 1H), 7.75 (s, 1H), 7.57 – 7.52 (m, 2H), 7.48 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.42 (ddd, $J = 8.0, 5.7, 2.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.31 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.23 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1H), 5.29 (s, 1H), 2.15 (s, 3H), 1.81 (s, 3H). **^{13}C NMR** (175 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 202.6, 199.9, 169.7, 148.3, 140.9, 132.8, 130.3, 129.4, 129.2, 128.2, 125.9, 124.6, 124.3, 122.9, 71.8, 66.8, 32.0, 31.4. **HRMS** (ES+): Exact mass calcd for C₁₉H₁₈NO₃[M+H]⁺: 308.1281 Found: 308.1252.

(S)-4-(3-oxo-1-phenylisoindolin-1-yl)heptane-3,5-dionePale(4j): White solid, 38.90 mg,



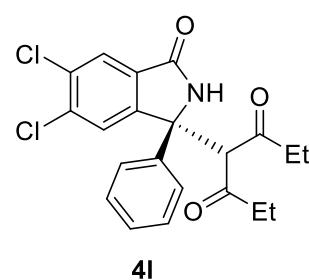
58% yield. $R_f = 0.16$ (40% EtOAc in hexanes) MP: 238–240 °C. $[\alpha]_D^{22} = +373.320$ (CHCl_3 , $c = 0.54$ for 80% ee). HPLC (Chiralpak ADH, *n*-hexane/ *iso*-propanol = 70/30, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm): $t_R = 12.21$ min (major), 15.70 min (minor). $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.79 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.73 (s, 1H), 7.52 (d, $J = 4.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.48 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.42 (dt, $J = 8.0, 4.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.32 (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 2H), 7.24 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1H), 5.23 (s, 1H), 2.48 – 2.33 (m, 2H), 2.29 – 2.18 (m, 1H), 1.98 – 1.87 (m, 1H), 0.93 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 3H), 0.68 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 3H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (175 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 205.1, 202.2, 169.6, 148.3, 141.0, 132.6, 130.5, 129.3, 129.1, 128.1, 124.6, 124.4, 122.8, 70.6, 70.6, 66.9, 38.3, 38.0, 7.7, 7.5. HRMS (ES+): Exact mass calcd for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{21}\text{NO}_3\text{Na}[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 358.1414 Found: 358.1416.

(S)-4-(1-(4-fluorophenyl)-3-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-benzo[f]isoindol-1-yl)heptane-3,5-dione(4k): White solid, 79.07 mg, 98% yield. $R_f = 0.22$ (40%



EtOAc in hexanes) MP: 88–90 °C. $[\alpha]_D^{22} = +228.32$ (CHCl_3 , $c = 0.62$ for 88% ee). HPLC (Chiralpak IA, *n*-hexane/ *iso*-propanol = 50/50, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm): $t_R = 10.09$ min (major), 9.14 min (minor). $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.34 (s, 1H), 7.97 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.84 (d, $J = 35.2$ Hz, 3H), 7.65 – 7.49 (m, 4H), 7.03 (t, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 2H), 5.28 (s, 1H), 2.43 (dd, $J = 23.4, 7.3$ Hz, 2H), 2.18 (d, $J = 17.5$ Hz, 1H), 1.93 (dd, $J = 18.2, 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 0.97 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 3H), 0.63 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 3H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (175 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 205.3, 202.2, 169.3, 163.1, 161.7, 143.4, 137.8, 135.4, 133.2, 129.8, 128.4 (d, $J = 4.6$ Hz), 128.0, 127.3, 126.3 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz), 125.5, 122.1, 116.3 (d, $J = 21.6$ Hz), 71.5, 66.4, 38.4, 38.0, 31.1, 7.8, 7.6. $^{19}\text{F NMR}$ (375 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -114.2. HRMS (ES+): Exact mass calcd for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{23}\text{FNO}_3$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 404.1656 Found: 404.1679.

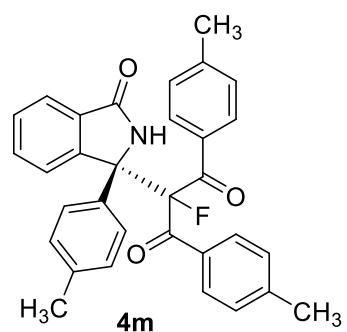
(S)-4-(5,6-dichloro-3-oxo-1-phenylisoindolin-1-yl)heptane-3,5-dione(4l): White solid,



64.68 mg, 80% yield. $R_f = 0.43$ (40% EtOAc in hexanes) MP: 160–162 °C. $[\alpha]_D^{22} = +186.216$ (CHCl_3 , $c = 0.37$ for 95% ee). HPLC (Chiralpak ADH, *n*-hexane/ *iso*-propanol = 60/40, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm): $t_R = 7.70$ min (major), 9.90 min (minor). $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.85 (d, $J = 4.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.63 (s, 1H), 7.44 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 2H), 7.35 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 2H), 7.28 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 5.18 (s, 1H), 2.47 (dq, $J = 14.4, 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 2.38 (ddd, $J = 18.7, 9.6, 6.0$ Hz, 2H), 2.06 (dq, $J = 18.6, 7.1$

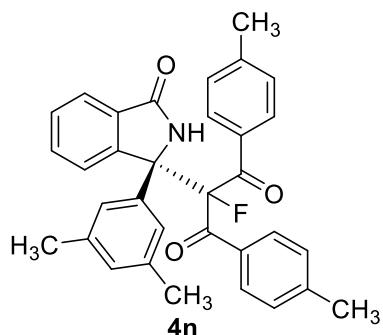
Hz, 1H), 0.93 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 0.79 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H). **^{13}C NMR** (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 205.2, 201.8, 167.5, 147.6, 140.1, 137.1, 134.1, 130.4, 129.6, 128.6, 126.3, 126.3, 125.1, 125.1, 124.3, 70.2, 70.2, 66.6, 38.6, 38.0, 7.8, 7.5. **HRMS** (ES+): Exact mass calcd for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{19}\text{Cl}_2\text{NO}_3\text{Na}[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 426.0634 Found: 426.0618.

(S)-2-fluoro-2-(3-oxo-1-(p-tolyl)isoindolin-1-yl)-1,3-di-p-tolylpropane-1,3-dione(4m):



White solid, 89.46 mg, 91% yield. R_f = 0.63 (40% EtOAc in hexanes) **MP:** 98-100 °C. $[\alpha]_D^{22} = +272.390$ (CHCl_3 , $c = 0.54$ for 80% ee). **HPLC** (Chiralcel ODH, *n*-hexane/ *iso*-propanol = 60/40, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm): t_R = 18.98 min (major), 15.47 min (minor). **^1H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.72 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.57 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (dq, J = 22.3, 7.8 Hz, 6H), 7.29 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.16 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.07 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.99 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 2.28 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 6H). **^{13}C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 192.9 (d, J = 25.1 Hz), 190.6 (d, J = 23.4 Hz), 169.3, 146.9, 145.3, 144.4, 137.8, 136.6 (d, J = 2.6 Hz), 132.5 (d, J = 3.7 Hz), 132.2, 131.8 (d, J = 3.6 Hz), 131.3, 129.9 (dd, J = 6.5, 3.4 Hz), 129.6, 129.5, 129.2, 128.9, 126.1 (d, J = 3.4 Hz), 125.9 (d, J = 5.6 Hz), 124.0, 106.8, 69.3 (d, J = 23.8 Hz), 21.8, 21.7, 21.0. **^{19}F NMR** (375 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -150.8. **HRMS** (ES+): Exact mass calcd for $\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{26}\text{FNO}_3\text{Na}[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 514.1789 Found: 514.1751.

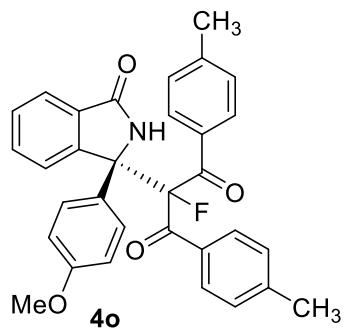
(S)-2-(1-(3,5-dimethylphenyl)-3-oxoisoindolin-1-yl)-2-fluoro-1,3-di-p-tolylpropane-1,3-dion(4n):



White solid, 91 mg, 90% yield. R_f = 0.53 (40% EtOAc in hexanes) **MP:** 115-117 °C. $[\alpha]_D^{22} = +24.35$ (CHCl_3 , $c = 1.33$ for 88% ee). **HPLC** (Chiraldak IA, *n*-hexane/ *iso*-propanol = 60/40, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm): t_R = 14.96 min (major), 7.72 min (minor). **^1H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.71 (dd, J = 7.8, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (dd, J = 8.3, 2.2 Hz, 2H), 7.56 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.44 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (s, 1H), 7.28 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 4H), 6.98 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.85 (s, 1H), 2.37 (s, 3H), 2.29 (s, 3H), 2.20 (s, 6H). **^{13}C NMR** (175 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 193.2 (d, J = 25.3 Hz), 190.7 (d, J = 23.4 Hz), 169.4, 146.9, 145.1, 144.4, 139.5 (d, J = 2.8 Hz), 138.4, 132.6 (d, J = 3.8 Hz), 132.2, 132.0 (d, J = 3.5 Hz), 131.2, 129.9 (d, J = 7.3 Hz), 129.8, 129.8 (d, J = 5.5 Hz), 129.4, 129.2, 128.9, 126.2 (d, J = 3.3 Hz), 124.0, 123.6 (d, J = 5.3 Hz), 108.5,

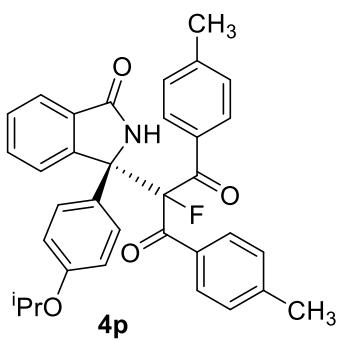
107.3, 69.4 (d, $J = 23.5$ Hz), 21.9, 21.7, 21.6. **$^{19}\text{F NMR}$** (375 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -150.2. **HRMS** (ES+): Exact mass calcd for $\text{C}_{33}\text{H}_{28}\text{FNO}_3\text{Na}[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 528.1945 Found: 528.1919.

(S)-2-fluoro-2-(1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-oxoisoindolin-1-yl)-1,3-di-p-tolylpropane-1,3-dione(4o):



dione(4o): White semisolid, 97.45 mg, 96% yield. $R_f = 0.35$ (40% EtOAc in hexanes). $[\alpha]_D^{22} = +279.264$ (CHCl_3 , $c = 2.306$ for 84% ee). **HPLC** (Chiraldak IA, *n*-hexane/ *iso*-propanol = 60/40, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm): $t_R = 46.08$ min (major), 18.17 min (minor). **$^1\text{H NMR}$** (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.74 (s, 1H), 7.65 (d, $J = 6.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.58 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 2H), 7.52 (dd, $J = 8.3, 4.5$ Hz, 4H), 7.43 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.28 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.15 (d, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 2H), 6.98 (d, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 2H), 6.78 (d, $J = 8.6$ Hz, 2H), 3.71 (s, 3H), 2.34 (s, 3H), 2.28 (s, 3H). **$^{13}\text{C NMR}$** (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 192.8 (d, $J = 25.1$ Hz), 190.5 (d, $J = 23.6$ Hz), 169.3, 159.2, 146.9, 145.2, 144.4, 132.5 (d, $J = 3.9$ Hz), 132.2, 131.7 (d, $J = 3.6$ Hz), 131.3 (d, $J = 2.6$ Hz), 131.2, 129.8 (d, $J = 7.3$ Hz), 129.4, 129.1, 128.9, 127.4 (d, $J = 5.8$ Hz), 126.1, 123.9, 114.1 (d, $J = 4.4$ Hz), 108.7, 107.0, 69.2 (d, $J = 24.0$ Hz), 55.2 (d, $J = 9.5$ Hz), 21.8 (d, $J = 5.5$ Hz), 21.6 (d, $J = 4.3$ Hz). **HRMS** (ES+): Exact mass calcd for $\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{26}\text{FNO}_4\text{Na}[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 530.1738 Found 530.1738.

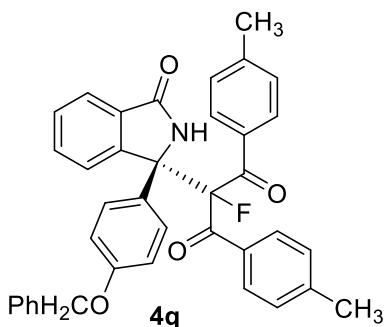
(S)-2-fluoro-2-(1-(4-isopropoxypyhenyl)-3-oxoisoindolin-1-yl)-1,3-di-p-tolylpropane-1,3-dione(4p):



dione(4p): White solid, 98.55 mg 92% yield. $R_f = 0.70$ (40% EtOAc in hexanes) **MP:** 146-148 °C. $[\alpha]_D^{22} = +6.11$ (CHCl_3 , $c = 0.071$ for 83% ee). **HPLC** (Chiraldak IC, *n*-hexane/ *iso*-propanol = 50/50, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm): $t_R = 27.52$ min (major), 37.35 min (minor). **$^1\text{H NMR}$** (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.74 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.65 (dd, $J = 8.3, 2.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.58 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.53 – 7.46 (m, 4H), 7.43 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.29 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.16 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 6.99 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 6.75 (d, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 2H), 4.47 (p, $J = 6.1$ Hz, 1H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 2.29 (s, 3H), 1.28 (t, $J = 6.4$ Hz, 6H). **$^{13}\text{C NMR}$** (175 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 192.9 (d, $J = 25.0$ Hz), 190.6 (d, $J = 23.5$ Hz), 169.5, 157.6, 132.5 (d, $J = 3.8$ Hz), 132.2, 131.8 (d, $J = 3.8$ Hz), 131.2, 130.8 (d, $J = 2.5$ Hz), 130.3, 130.0 (d, $J = 3.5$ Hz), 129.9 (dd, $J = 6.5, 3.3$ Hz), 129.6, 129.4, 129.2, 128.9, 127.5 (d, $J = 5.4$ Hz), 126.1, 124.0, 115.7, 107.8 (d, $J = 217.7$ Hz), 69.8, 69.3 (d, $J = 23.4$ Hz), 22.1 (d, $J = 7.1$ Hz), 21.8 (d, $J =$

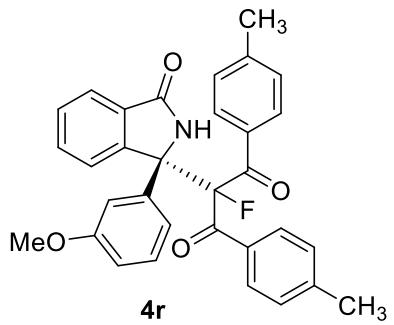
20.9 Hz). **HRMS** (ES+): Exact mass calcd for C₃₄H₃₁FNO₄[M+H]⁺: 536.2232 Found: 536.2237.

(S)-2-(1-(4-benzylphenyl)-3-oxoisindolin-1-yl)-2-fluoro-1,3-di-p-tolylpropane-1,3-dione(4q):



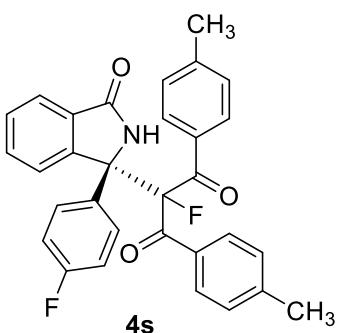
dione(4q): White solid, 106.22 mg, 91% yield. R_f = 0.45 (40% EtOAc in hexanes) **MP:** 79–81 °C. $[\alpha]_D^{22} = +220.00$ (CHCl₃, c = 0.266 for 81% ee). **HPLC** (Chiralpak IC, *n*-hexane/ *iso*-propanol = 50/50, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm): t_R = 48.95 min (major), 41.59 min (minor) **1H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.01 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.77 – 7.69 (m, 2H), 7.67 (s, 2H), 7.59 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.54 – 7.50 (m, 3H), 7.45 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 3H), 7.35 – 7.27 (m, 3H), 7.17 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.99 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.87 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 4.99 (s, 2H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 2.30 (s, 3H). **13C NMR** (175 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.9 (d, J = 25.1 Hz), 190.6 (d, J = 23.2 Hz), 169.5, 158.5, 145.3, 144.4, 136.8, 132.6 (d, J = 3.7 Hz), 132.3, 131.8 (d, J = 3.3 Hz), 131.6, 131.3, 130.4, 129.9, 129.9 (d, J = 2.4 Hz), 129.5, 129.3 (d, J = 8.5 Hz), 129.0, 128.7, 128.2, 127.6, 127.5 (d, J = 5.8 Hz), 126.1 (d, J = 5.2 Hz), 124.1, 115.0, 108.4, 107.2, 70.1, 69.3 (d, J = 24.1 Hz), 21.9, 21.8. **HRMS** (ES+): Exact mass calcd for C₃₈H₃₁FNO₄ [M+H]⁺: 584.2232 Found: 584.2200.

(S)-2-fluoro-2-(1-(3-methoxyphenyl)-3-oxoisindolin-1-yl)-1,3-di-p-tolylpropane-1,3-dione(4r):



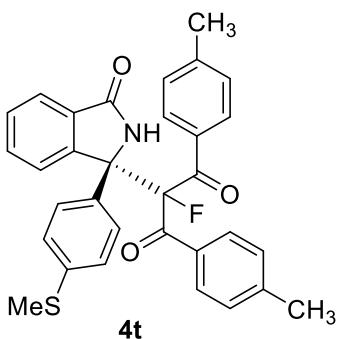
dione(4r) : White solid, 94.40 mg, 93% yield. R_f = 0.41 (40% EtOAc in hexanes). **MP:** 78–80 °C. $[\alpha]_D^{22} = +328.678$ (CHCl₃, c = 1.89 for 89% ee). **HPLC** (Chiralpak IA, *n*-hexane/ *iso*-propanol = 60/40, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm): t_R = 30.43 min (major), 13.50 min (minor). **1H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.73 (d, J = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (dd, J = 8.3, 2.2 Hz, 2H), 7.56 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.47 – 7.42 (m, 2H), 7.29 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.23 – 7.12 (m, 5H), 6.98 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.77 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 2.29 (s, 3H). **13C NMR** (175 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.9 (d, J = 25.2 Hz), 190.6 (d, J = 23.6 Hz), 169.4, 159.9, 146.6, 145.3, 144.5, 141.4 (d, J = 2.6 Hz), 132.5 (d, J = 3.8 Hz), 132.3, 131.8 (d, J = 3.7 Hz), 131.2, 130.0 – 129.9 (m), 129.5, 129.3, 129.0, 126.2, 124.1, 118.1 (d, J = 6.7 Hz), 113.3, 112.0 (d, J = 5.4 Hz), 108.6, 107.4, 69.4 (d, J = 23.6 Hz), 55.3, 21.9, 21.7. **19F NMR** (375 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -150.2. **HRMS** (ES+): Exact mass calcd for C₃₂H₂₇FNO₄ [M+H]⁺: 508.1919 Found: 508.1906.

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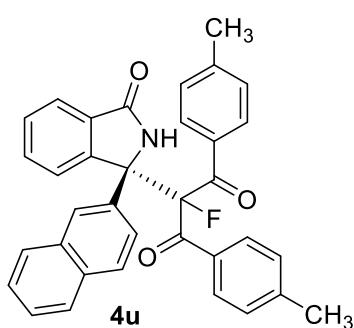
White solid, 93.16 mg, 94% yield. $R_f = 0.44$ (40% EtOAc in hexanes) MP: 110–112 °C. $[\alpha]_D^{22} = +78.33$ (CHCl₃, c = 2.22 for 93% ee). HPLC (Chiraldak IC, *n*-hexane/ *iso*-propanol = 70/30, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm): $t_R = 40.36$ min (major), 44.45 min (minor). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.70 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (d, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 2H), 7.59 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 3H), 7.51 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 3H), 7.45 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.31 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.99 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 6.95 (t, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 2.30 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (175 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.7 (d, *J* = 25.2 Hz), 190.4 (d, *J* = 23.3 Hz), 169.2, 163.0, 161.6, 146.5, 145.6, 144.6, 135.5 (d, *J* = 3.1 Hz), 132.4 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz), 131.5 (d, *J* = 3.3 Hz), 131.2, 129.9 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz), 129.6, 129.4, 129.0, 128.0 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz), 126.1, 124.2, 115.8 (d, *J* = 21.5 Hz), 108.4, 107.2, 69.1 (d, *J* = 23.8 Hz), 31.1, 21.9, 21.7. ¹⁹F NMR (375 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -114.2, -150.7. HRMS (ES+): Exact mass calcd for C₃₁H₂₄F₂NO₃[M+H]⁺: 496.1719 Found: 496.1707.

(S)-2-fluoro-2-(1-(4-(methylthio)phenyl)-3-oxoisindolin-1-yl)-1,3-di-p-tolylpropane-1,3-dione(4t):



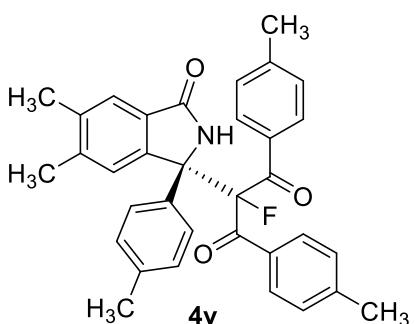
White solid, 89.02 mg, 85% yield. $R_f = 0.39$ (40% EtOAc in hexanes) MP: 126–128 °C. $[\alpha]_D^{22} = +127$ (CHCl₃, c = 0.46 for 80 % ee). HPLC (Chiraldak IA, *n*-hexane/ *iso*-propanol = 60/40, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm): $t_R = 41.14$ min (major), 15.88 min (minor). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.70 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 2.2 Hz, 2H), 7.57 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 5H), 7.47 – 7.41 (m, 1H), 7.29 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.12 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 6.99 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 2.37 (s, 3H), 2.30 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (175 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.7 (d, *J* = 24.9 Hz), 190.5 (d, *J* = 23.4 Hz), 169.3, 146.6, 145.5, 144.5, 138.7, 136.2 (d, *J* = 2.9 Hz), 132.5 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz), 132.3, 132.1, 131.7 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz), 131.2, 129.9 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz), 129.5, 129.0, 128.7, 126.5, 126.1, 124.1, 123.5, 119.6, 108.5, 107.2, 69.2 (d, *J* = 24.0 Hz), 21.9, 21.8, 15.5. HRMS (ES+): Exact mass calcd for C₃₂H₂₆FNO₃SNa[M+Na]⁺: 546.1510 Found: 546.1500.

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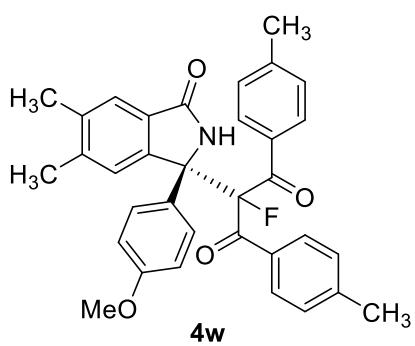
dione(4u): White solid, 100.23 mg, 95% yield. $R_f = 0.53$ (40% EtOAc in hexanes) **MP:** 177-179 °C. $[\alpha]_D^{22} = +295.250$ (CHCl_3 , $c = 1.17$ for 84% ee). **HPLC** (Chiraldak IA, *n*-hexane/ *iso*-propanol = 60/40, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm): $t_R = 33.39$ min (major), 15.72 min (minor). **1H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.07 (s, 1H), 7.79 – 7.69 (m, 4H), 7.66 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 3H), 7.57 (dd, $J = 19.3, 8.0$ Hz, 4H), 7.43 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 3H), 7.29 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.17 (d, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 2H), 7.00 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 2.37 (s, 3H), 2.31 (s, 3H). **13C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 192.9 (d, $J = 25.1$ Hz), 190.6 (d, $J = 23.5$ Hz), 169.4, 146.8, 145.3, 144.5, 137.1 (d, $J = 2.5$ Hz), 133.3, 132.8, 132.6, 132.3, 131.8 (d, $J = 3.5$ Hz), 131.4, 130.0 (dd, $J = 8.6, 6.4$ Hz), 129.5, 129.4, 129.0, 128.8, 128.5, 127.5, 126.6 (d, $J = 6.0$ Hz), 126.3, 125.3 (d, $J = 5.4$ Hz), 124.2, 123.7 (d, $J = 5.9$ Hz), 69.7 (d, $J = 23.7$ Hz), 21.9, 21.8. **HRMS** (ES+): Exact mass calcd for $\text{C}_{35}\text{H}_{27}\text{FNO}_3[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 528.1969 Found: 528.1962.

(S)-2-(5,6-dimethyl-3-oxo-1-(p-tolyl)isoindolin-1-yl)-2-fluoro-1,3-di-p-tolylpropane-1,3-dione Pale(4v):



Pale(4v): White solid, 75.1 mg, 90% yield. $R_f = 0.5$ (40% EtOAc in hexanes) **MP:** 162-164 °C. $[\alpha]_D^{22} = +275.84$ (CHCl_3 , $c = 1.78$ for 84% ee). **HPLC** (Chiraldak IA, *n*-hexane/ *iso*-propanol = 60/40, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm): $t_R = 31.26$ min (major), 14.27 min (minor). **1H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.68 (d, $J = 6.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.50 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.45 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.39 (d, $J = 9.9$ Hz, 2H), 7.30 (s, 1H), 7.17 (d, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 2H), 7.06 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 6.98 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 2.37 (s, 3H), 2.31 (s, 3H), 2.26 (s, 3H), 2.23 (s, 3H), 2.15 (s, 3H). **13C NMR** (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 193.0 (d, $J = 25.2$ Hz), 190.9 (d, $J = 23.0$ Hz), 169.7, 145.2, 144.8, 144.1, 141.8, 138.2, 137.7, 136.7, 132.9 (d, $J = 4.0$ Hz), 131.8 (d, $J = 3.5$ Hz), 129.9 (d, $J = 8.9$ Hz), 129.5 (d, $J = 9.5$ Hz), 129.1, 128.6, 126.9, 126.0 (d, $J = 5.6$ Hz), 124.5, 108.6, 106.9, 69.0 (d, $J = 24.2$ Hz), 21.8, 21.7, 21.0, 20.6, 19.9. **19F NMR** (375 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -150.9. **HRMS** (ES+): Exact mass calcd for $\text{C}_{34}\text{H}_{30}\text{FNO}_3\text{Na}[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 542.2102 Found: 542.2097.

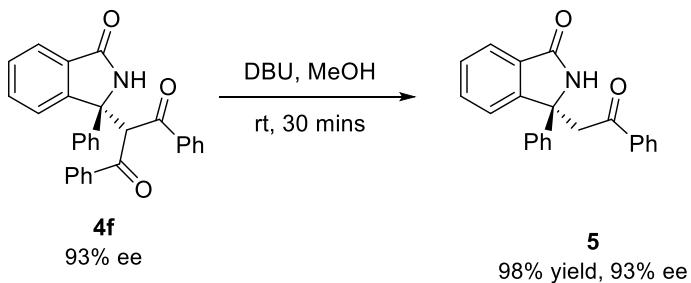
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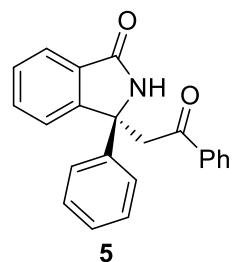
White solid, 95.33 mg, 89% yield. $R_f = 0.35$ (40% EtOAc in hexanes) **MP:** 120–122 °C. $[\alpha]_D^{22} = +133.58$ (CHCl_3 , $c = 0.81$ for 63% ee). **HPLC** (Chiraldak IA, *n*-hexane/ *iso*-propanol = 60/40, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm): $t_R = 35.70$ min (major), 16.18 min (minor). **1H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.67 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 2H), 7.50 (dd, $J = 7.6, 4.5$ Hz, 4H), 7.42 (d, $J = 6.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.31 (s, 1H), 7.17 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 6.99 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 6.81 – 6.76 (m, 2H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 2.31 (s, 3H), 2.23 (s, 3H), 2.15 (s, 3H). **13C NMR** (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 193.0 (d, $J = 25.4$ Hz), 190.8 (d, $J = 23.6$ Hz), 169.7, 159.1, 145.2, 144.9, 144.1, 141.7, 138.2, 132.9 (d, $J = 3.6$ Hz), 131.9 (d, $J = 3.7$ Hz), 131.5, 129.8 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz), 129.5, 129.1, 128.6, 127.6 (d, $J = 5.8$ Hz), 126.9, 124.5, 114.1, 108.6, 106.9, 68.9 (d, $J = 24.0$ Hz), 55.3 (d, $J = 9.8$ Hz), 21.8 (d, $J = 6.0$ Hz), 21.7 (d, $J = 5.2$ Hz), 20.6 (d, $J = 3.6$ Hz), 19.8. **HRMS** (ES+): Exact mass calcd for $\text{C}_{34}\text{H}_{31}\text{FNO}_3$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 536.2232 Found: 536.2234.

General procedure for the synthesis of compound 5:

To a solution of compound **4f** (86.30 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1 equiv) in methanol DBU (30 μl , 0.2 mmol, 1 equiv) was added dropwise and the reaction mixture was stirred at rt. After the completion of the reaction (monitored by TLC), the solvent was evaporated in vacuo and the residue was dissolved in CH_2Cl_2 (10 mL) and the organic layer was washed with water (2 X 10 mL). The organic layer was dried over anhydrous Na_2SO_4 , filtered, and concentrated on vacuo. Products **5** (64.17 mg, 98% yield) was isolated by flash column chromatography using ethyl acetate and hexane as eluents.



(S)-3-(2-oxo-2-phenylethyl)-3-phenylisoindolin-1-one(5): White solid, 64.17 mg, 98% yield.

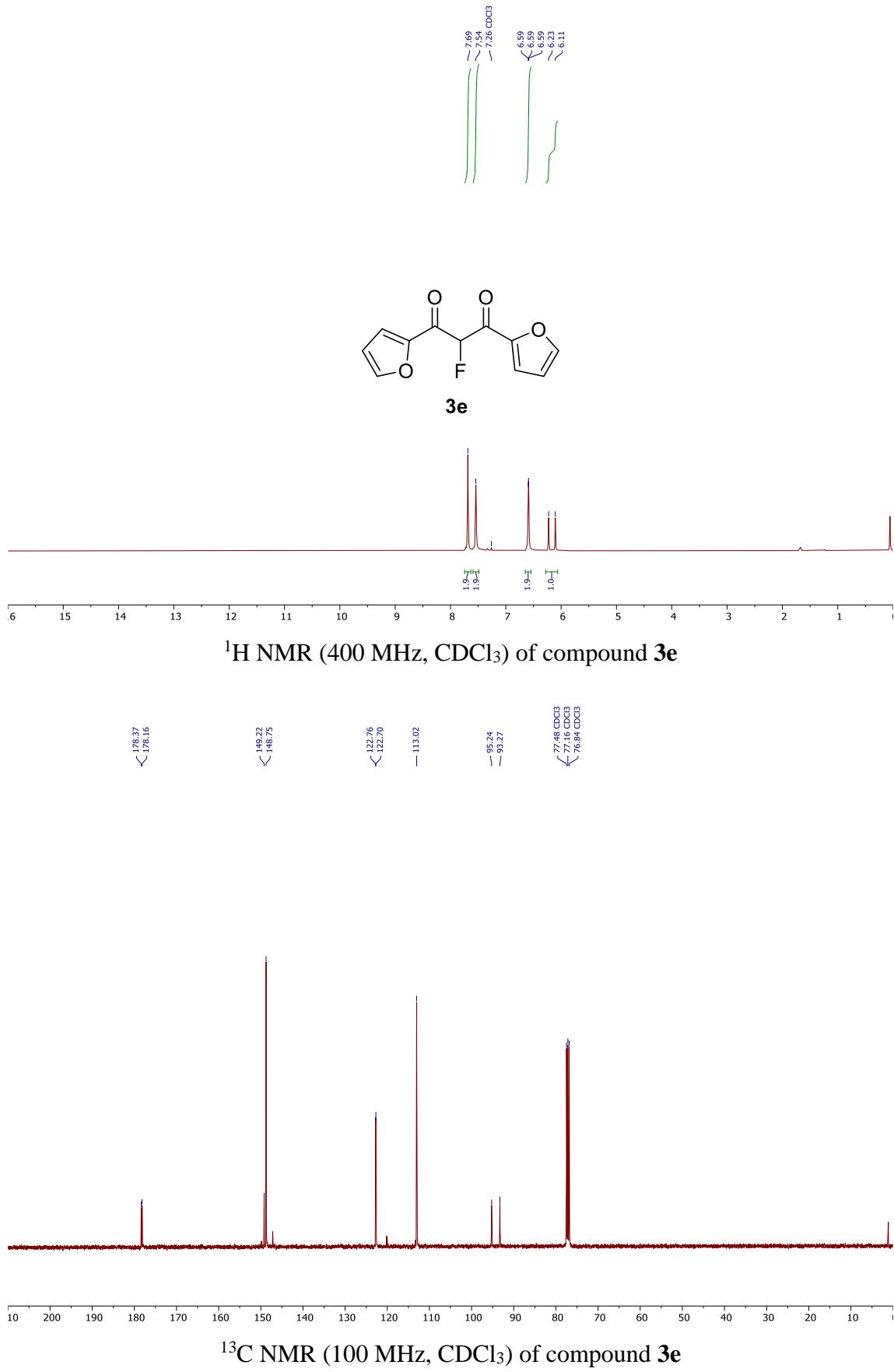


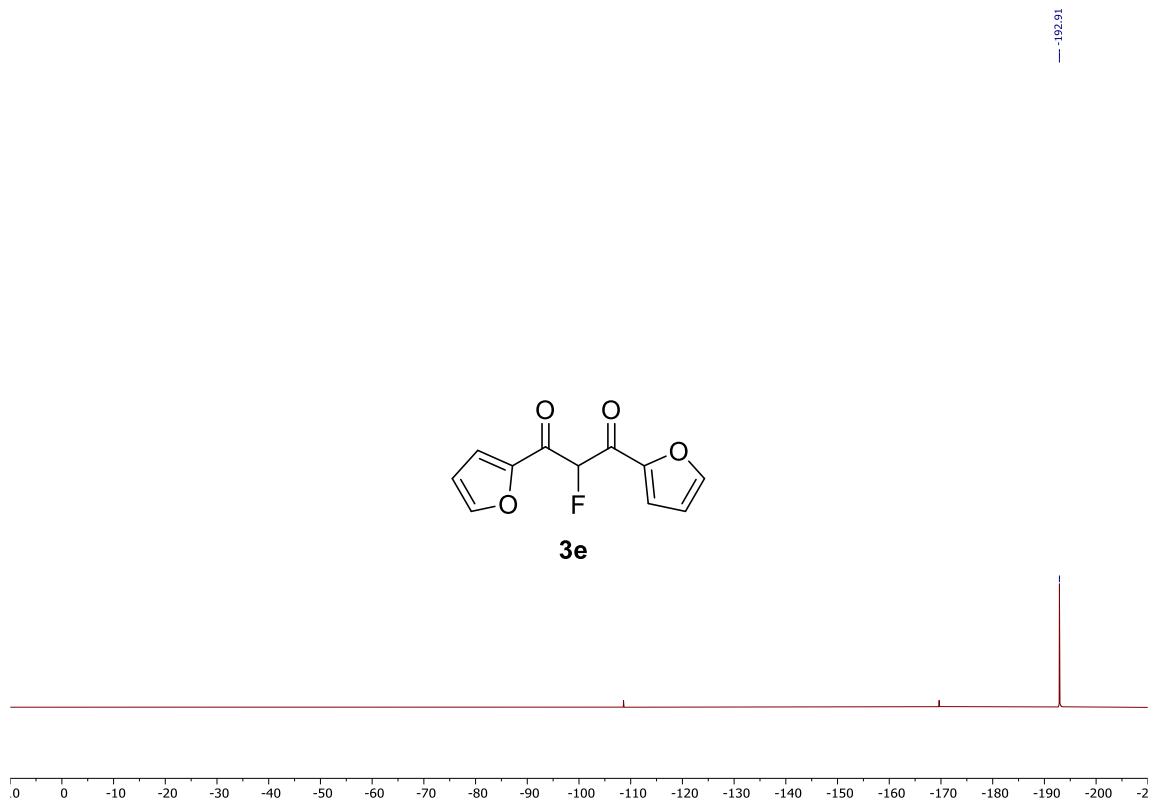
R_f = 0.30 (40% EtOAc in hexanes) **MP:** 118-120 °C. $[\alpha]_D^{22} = +274.2$ (CH₂Cl₂, c = 1.00 for 93% ee) and $[\alpha]_D^{22} = +158.6$ (CHCl₃, c = 0.25 for 93% ee). **HPLC** (Chiralpak ADH, *n*-hexane/ *iso*-propanol = 70/30, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm): t_R = 18.14 min (major), 15.22 min (minor). **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.94 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.89 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.66 – 7.57 (m, 2H), 7.55 – 7.44 (m, 4H), 7.38 (dd, *J* = 19.7, 7.6 Hz, 3H), 7.29 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.22 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 4.71 (d, *J* = 18.2 Hz, 1H), 3.26 (d, *J* = 18.1 Hz, 1H). **¹³C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 197.1, 169.7, 151.6, 140.7, 136.4, 133.9, 132.5, 130.0, 129.0, 128.9, 128.6, 128.0, 127.6, 124.7, 124.5, 122.1, 64.52, 46.8. **HRMS** (ES+): Exact mass calcd for C₂₂H₁₈NO₂[M+H]⁺: 328.1332 Found: 328.1336.

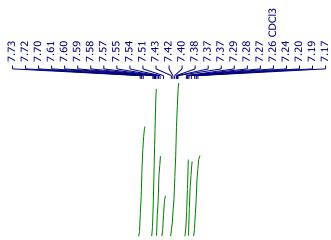
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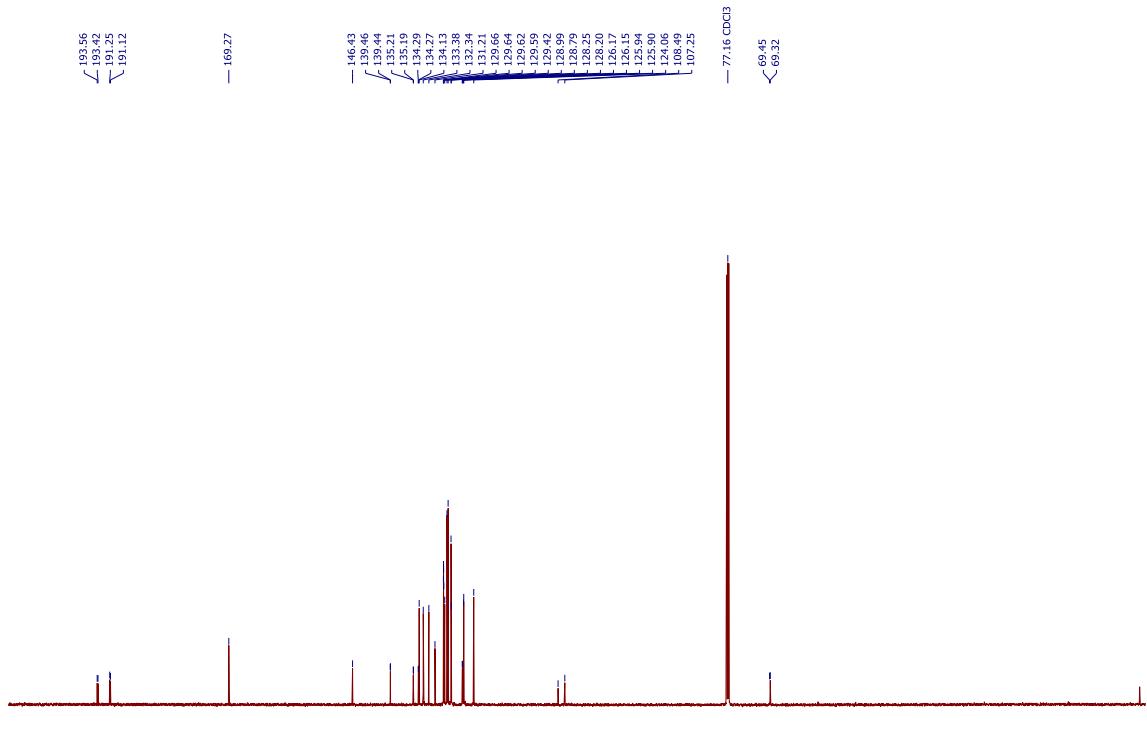
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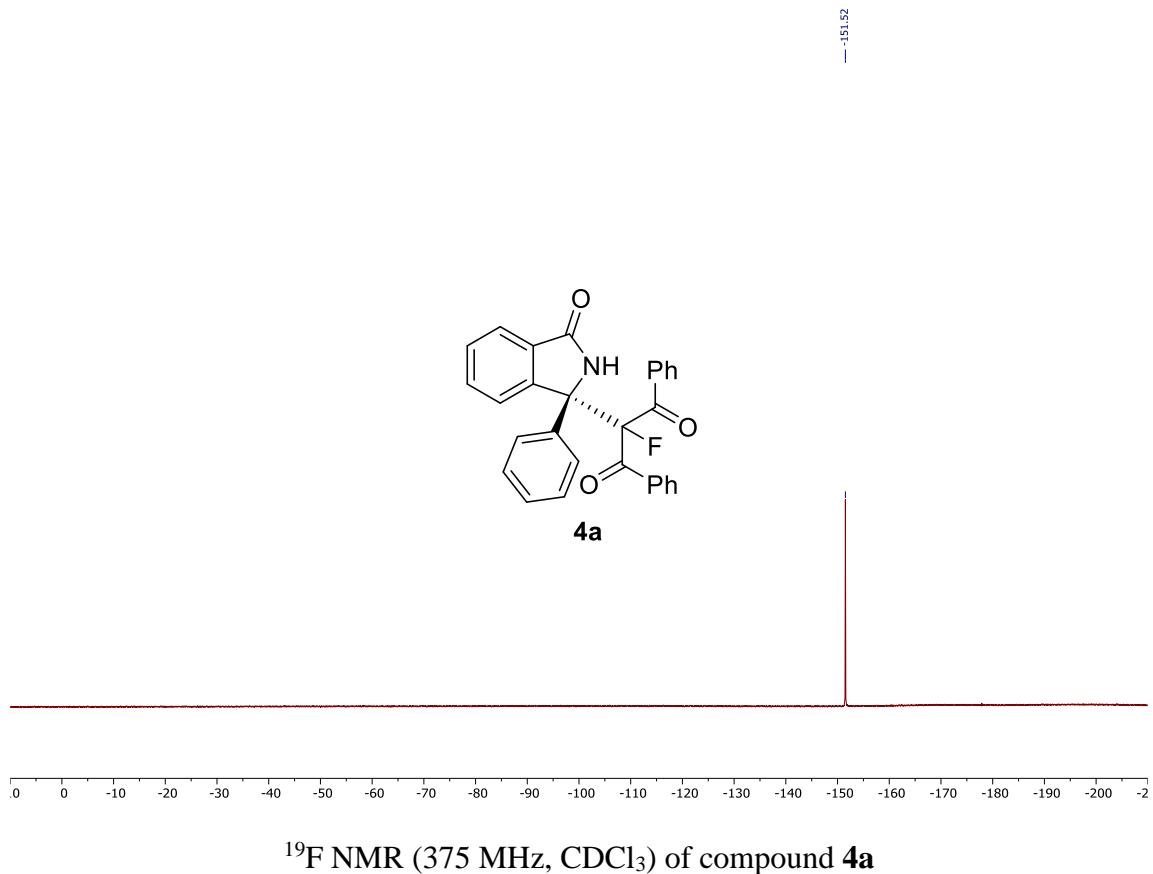


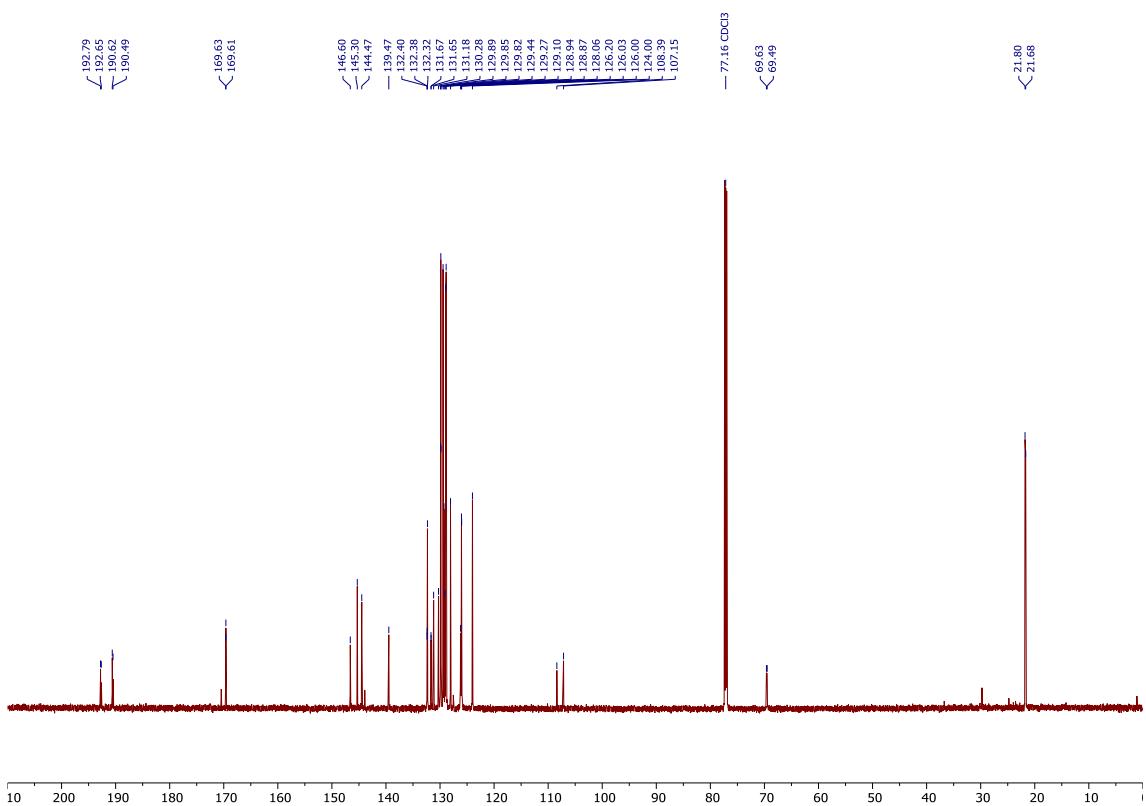
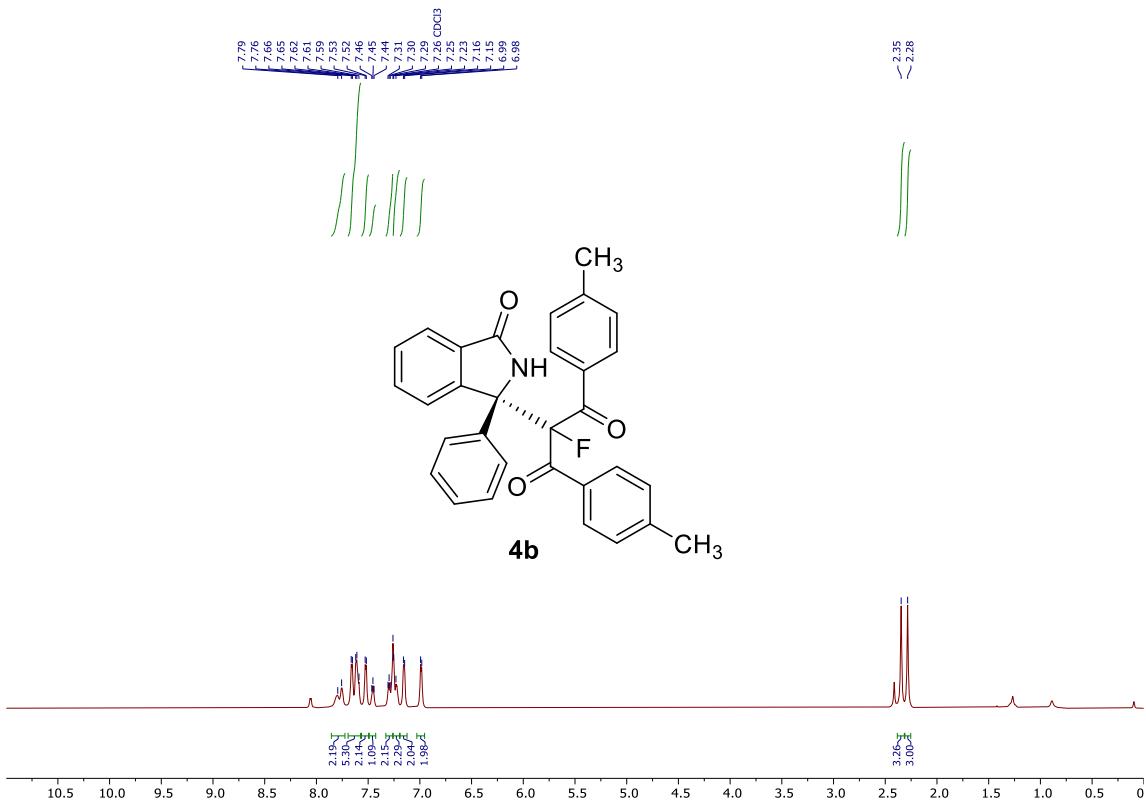


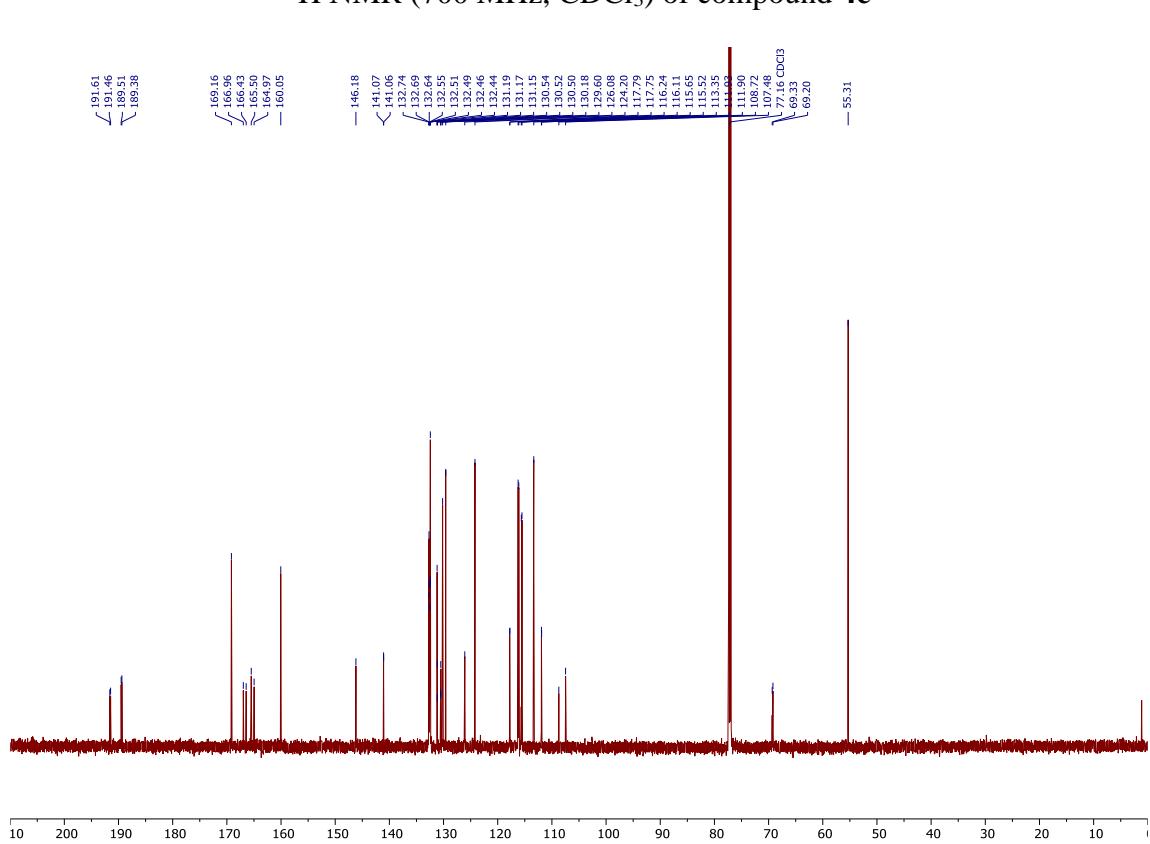
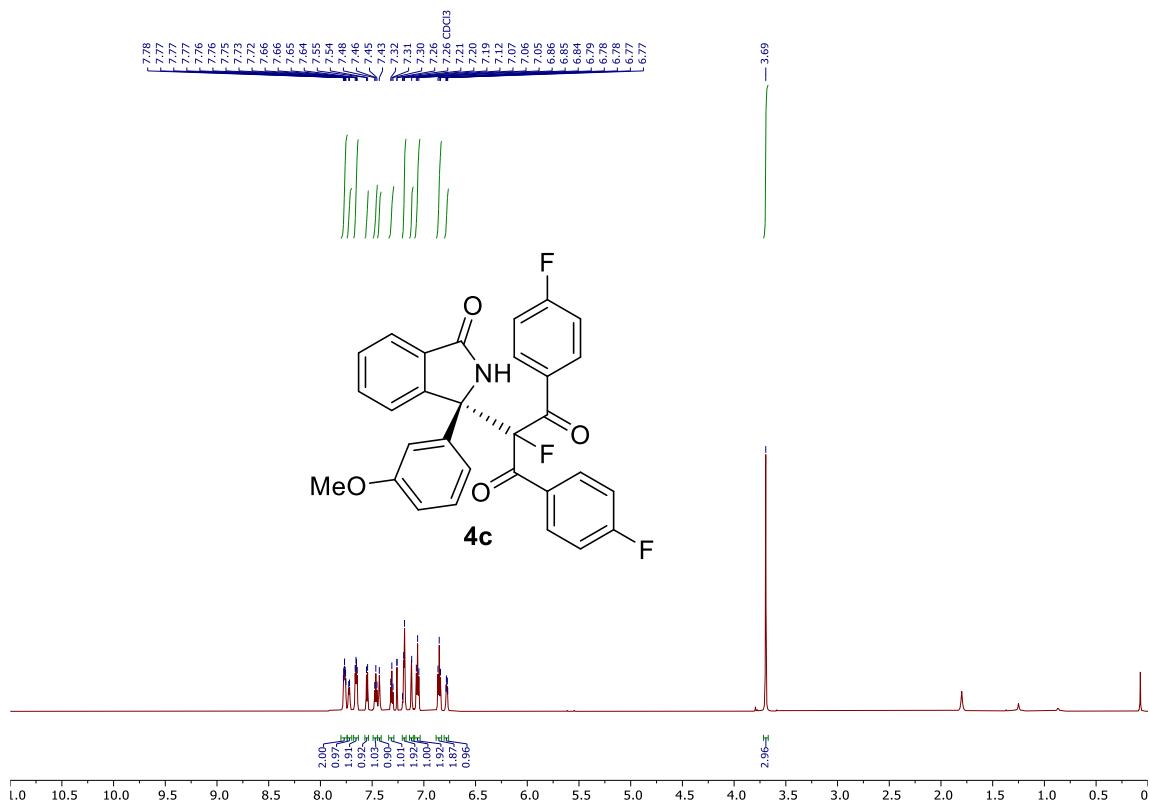
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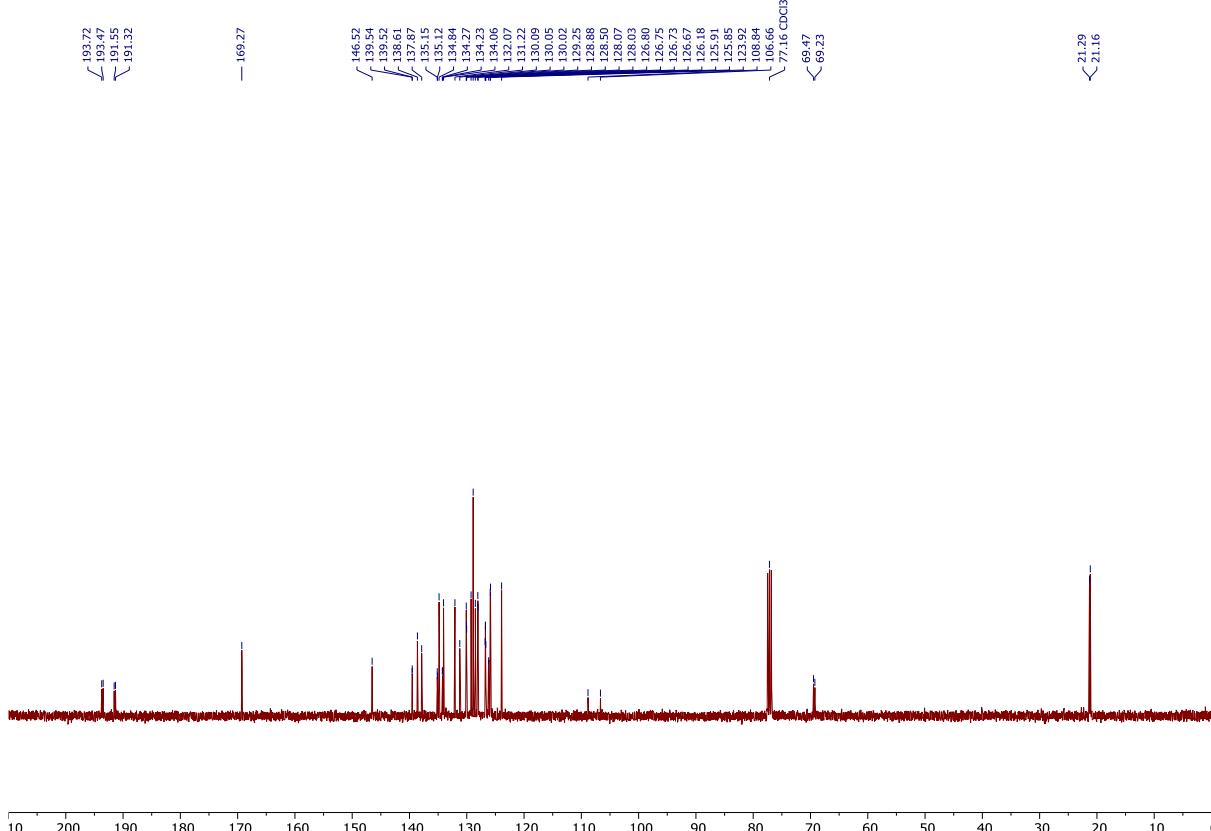
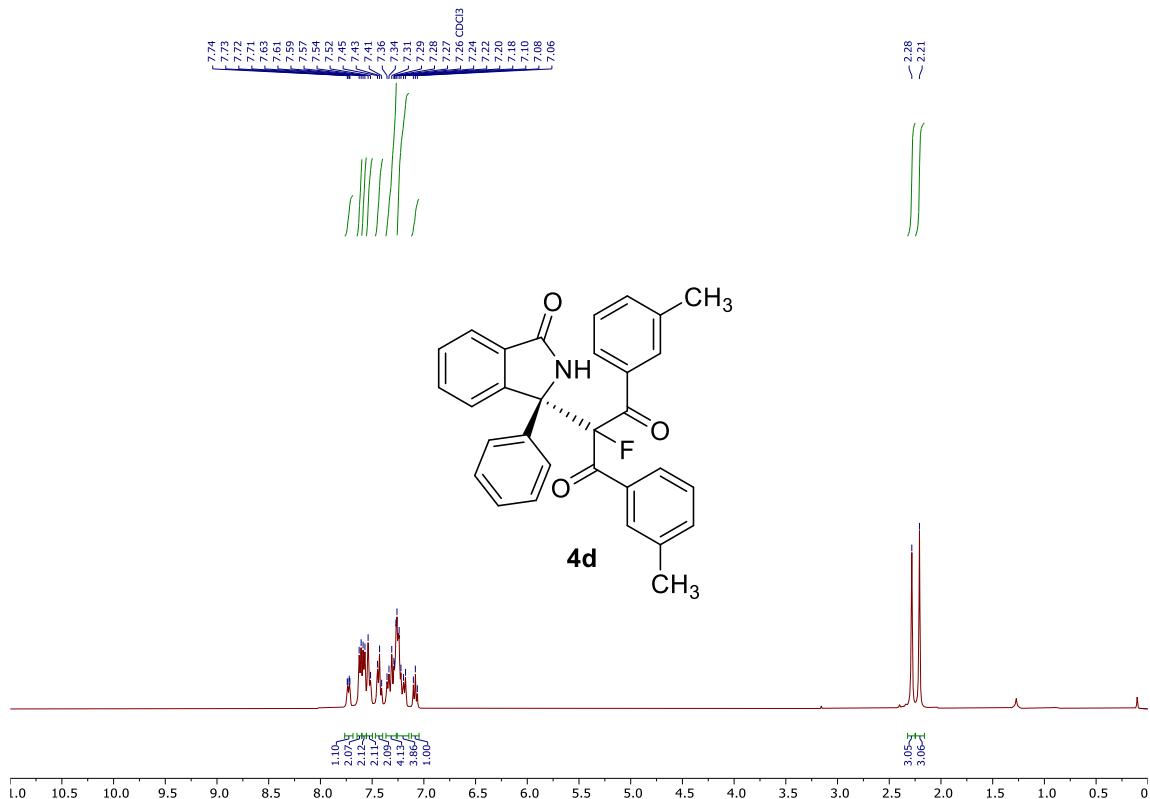


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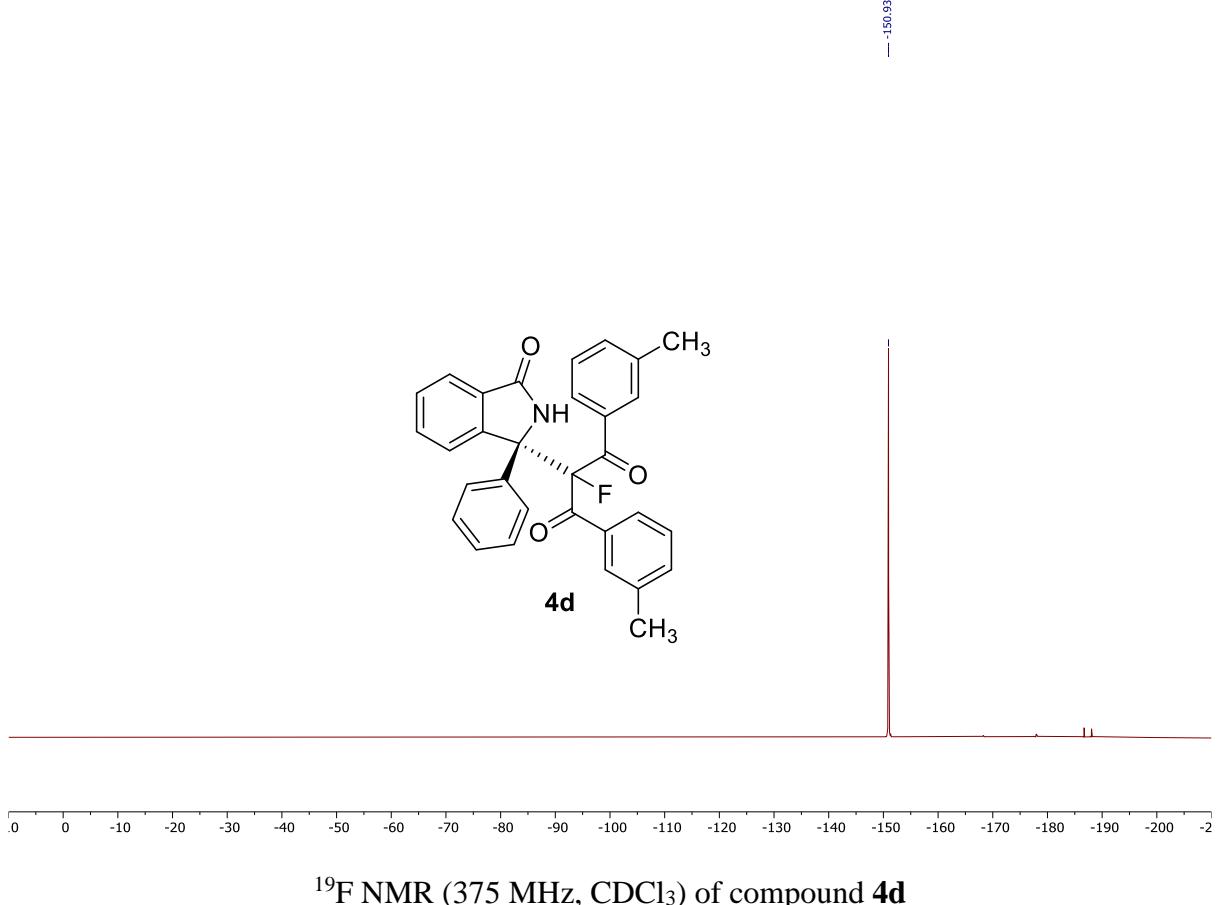


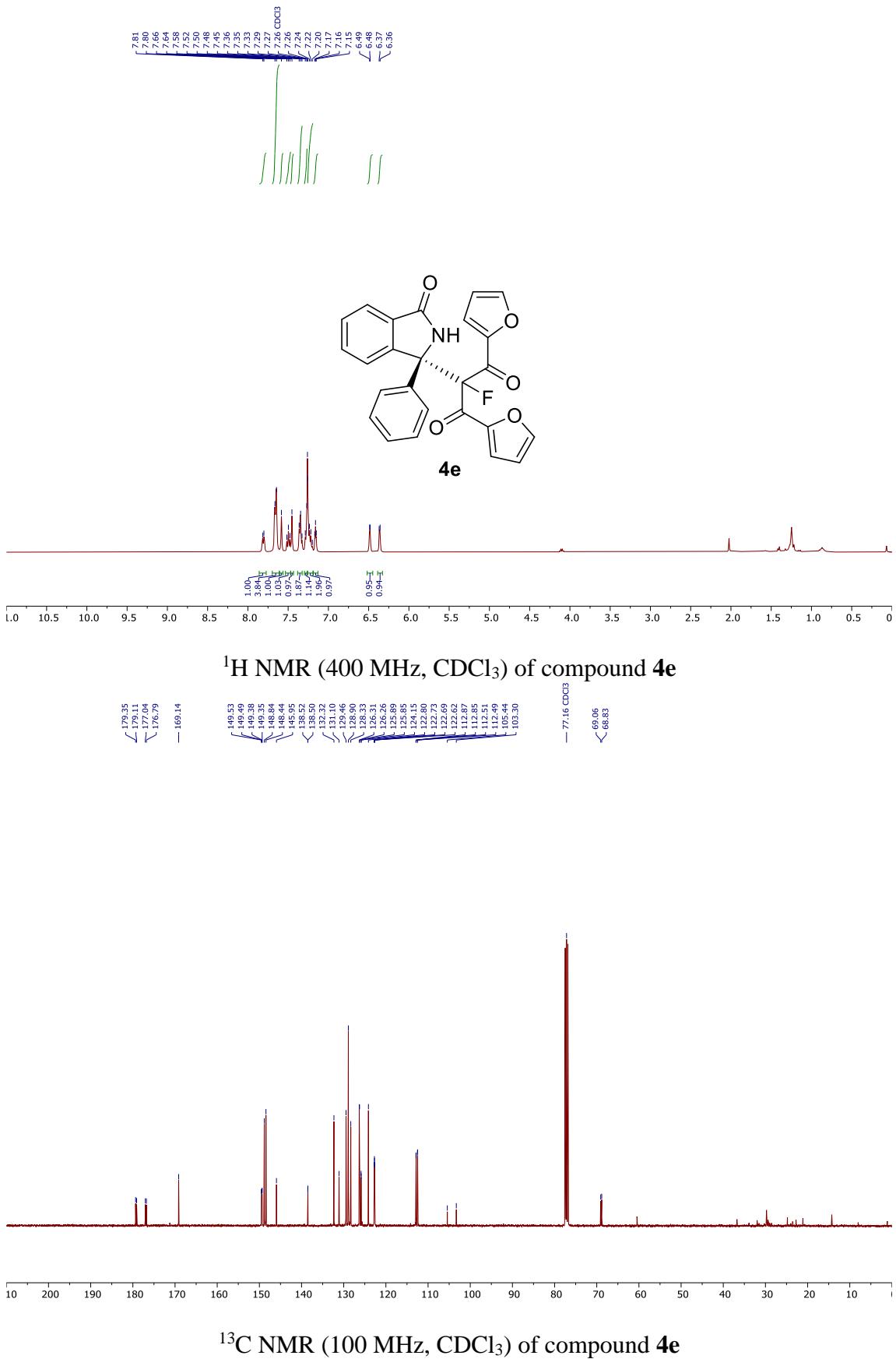


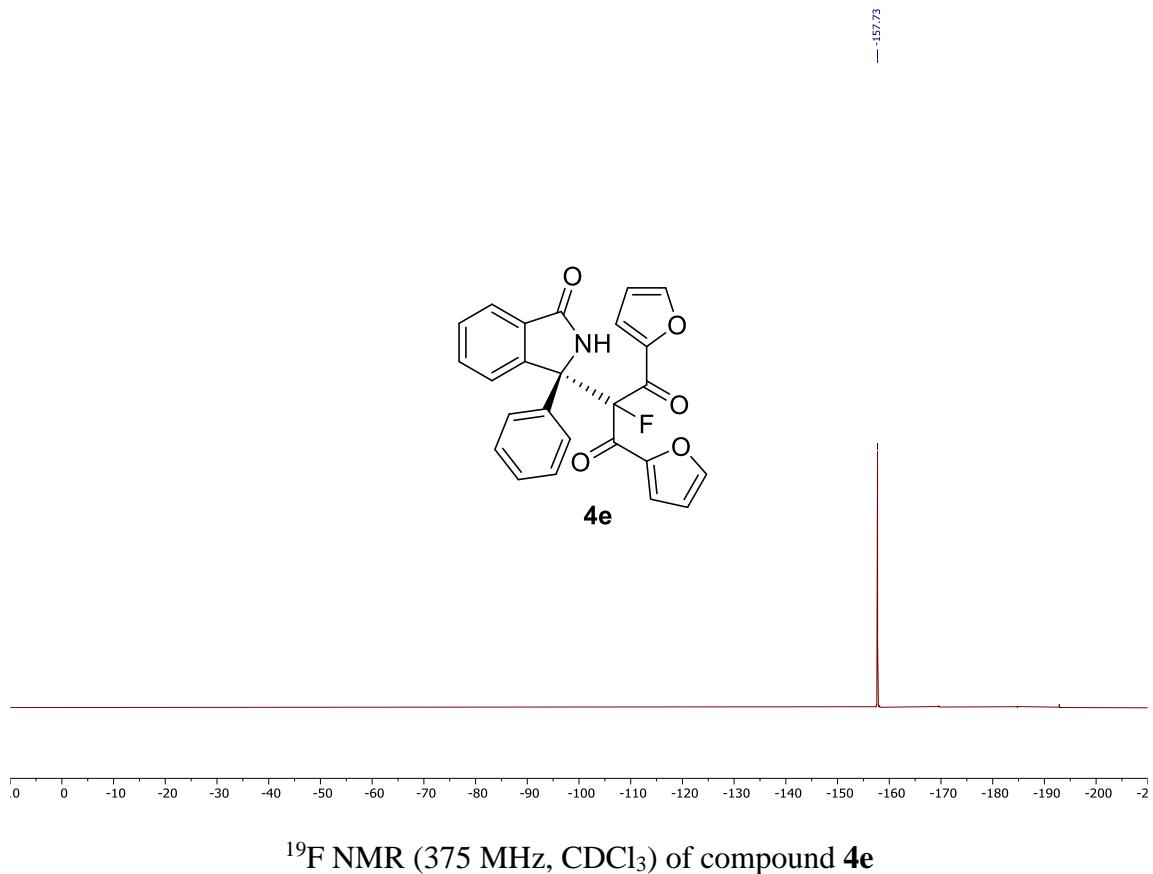


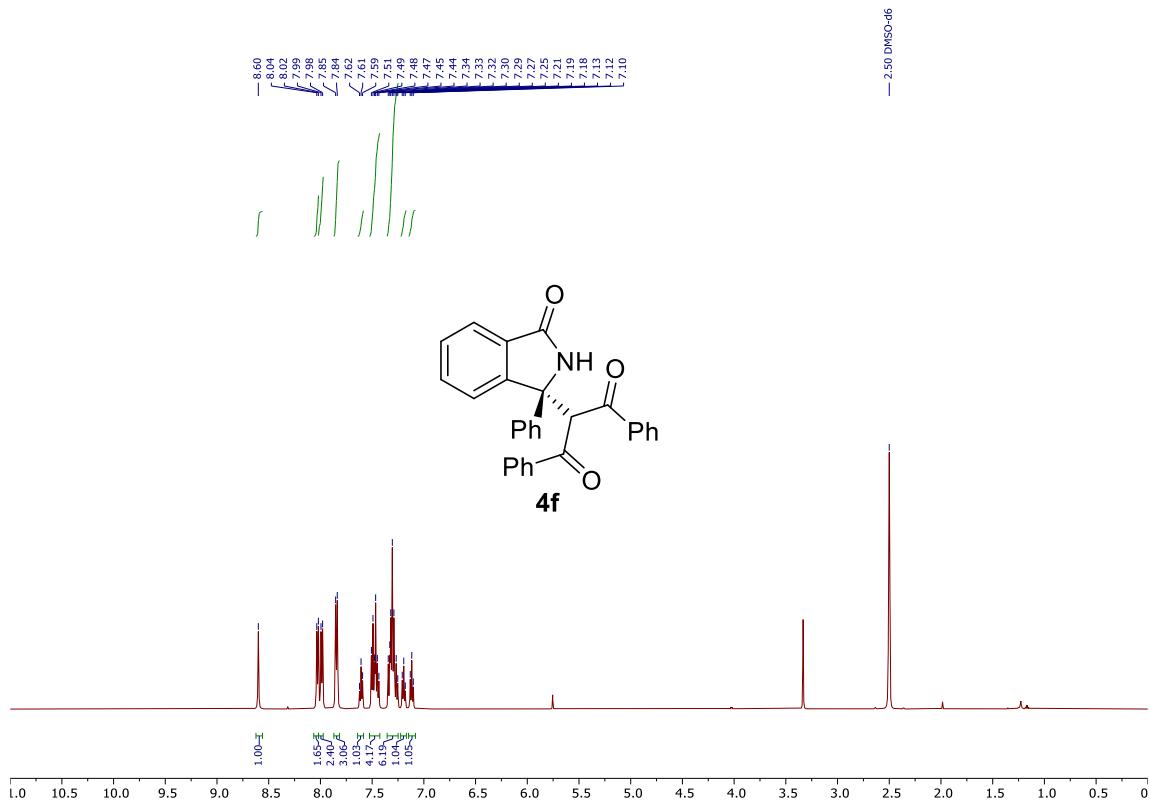


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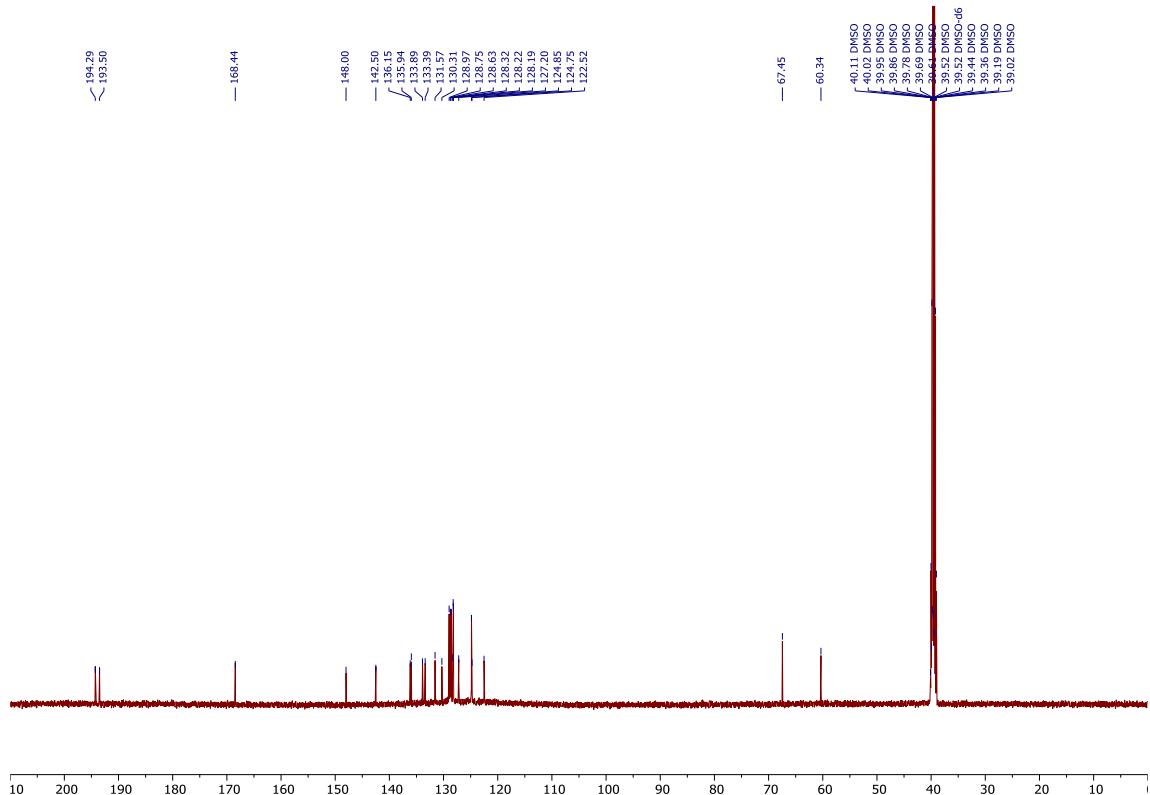




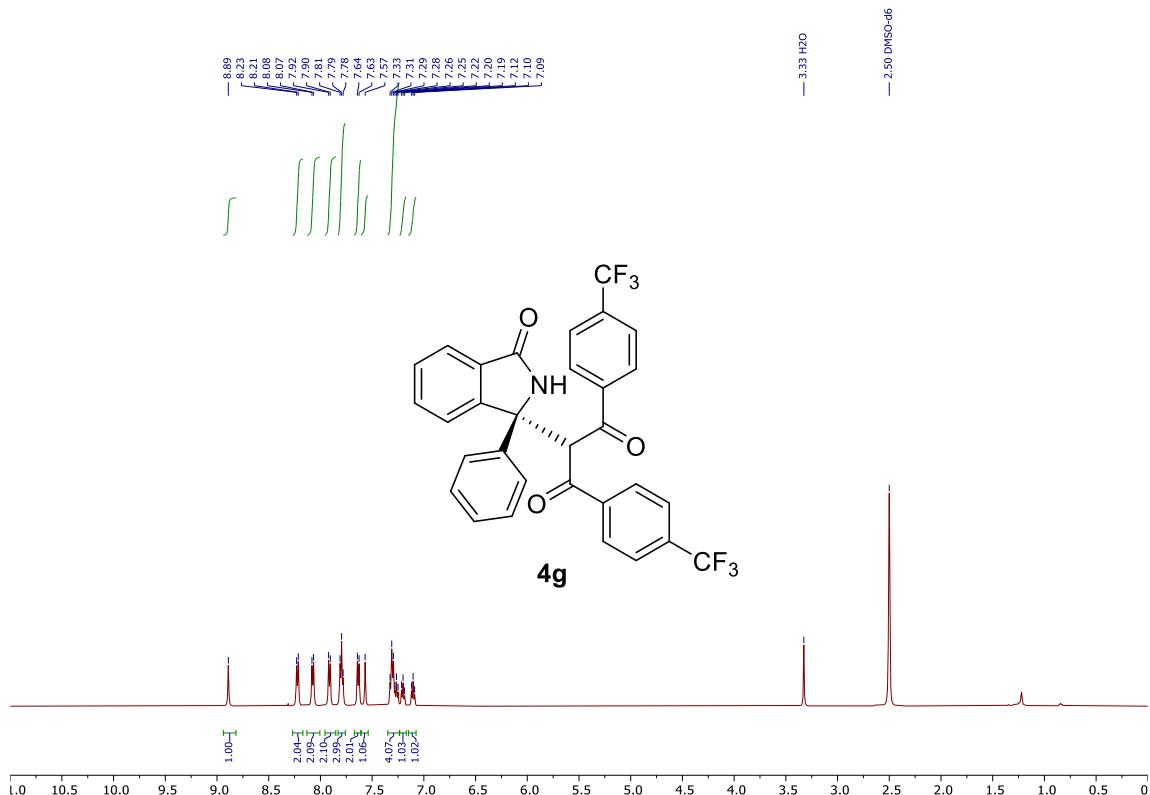




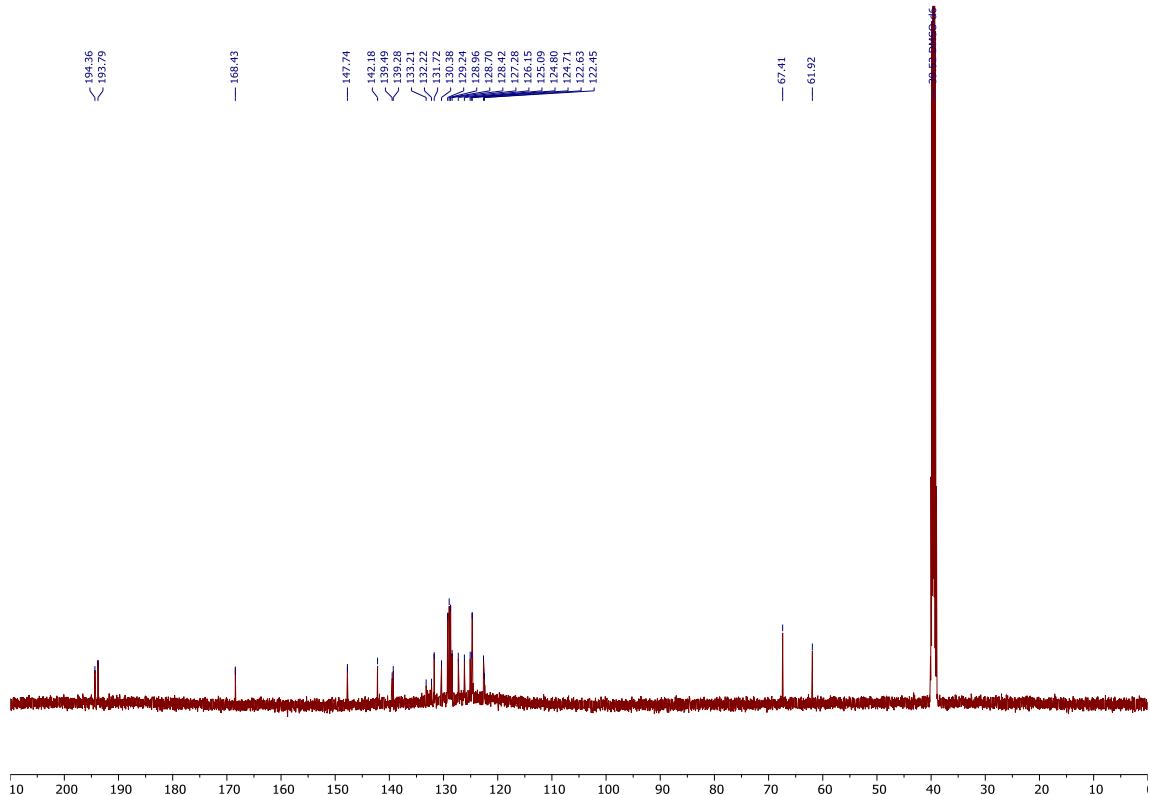
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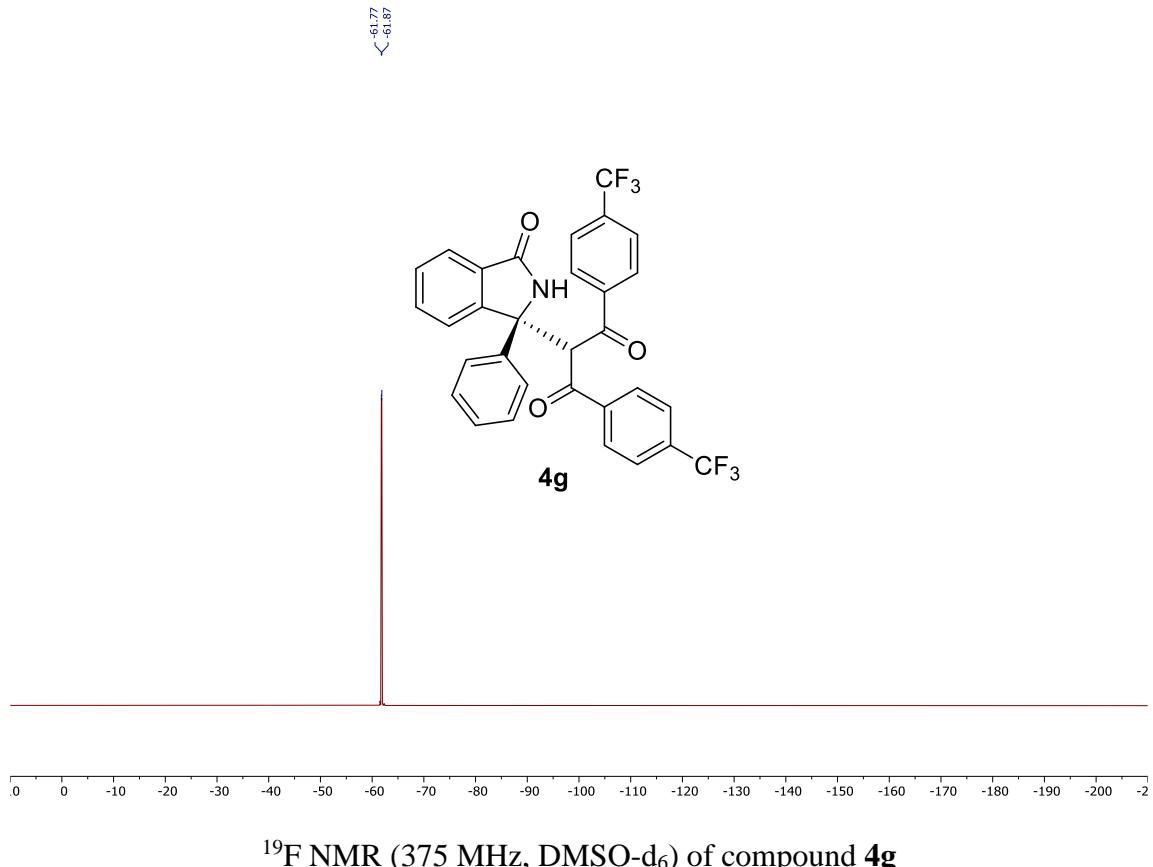
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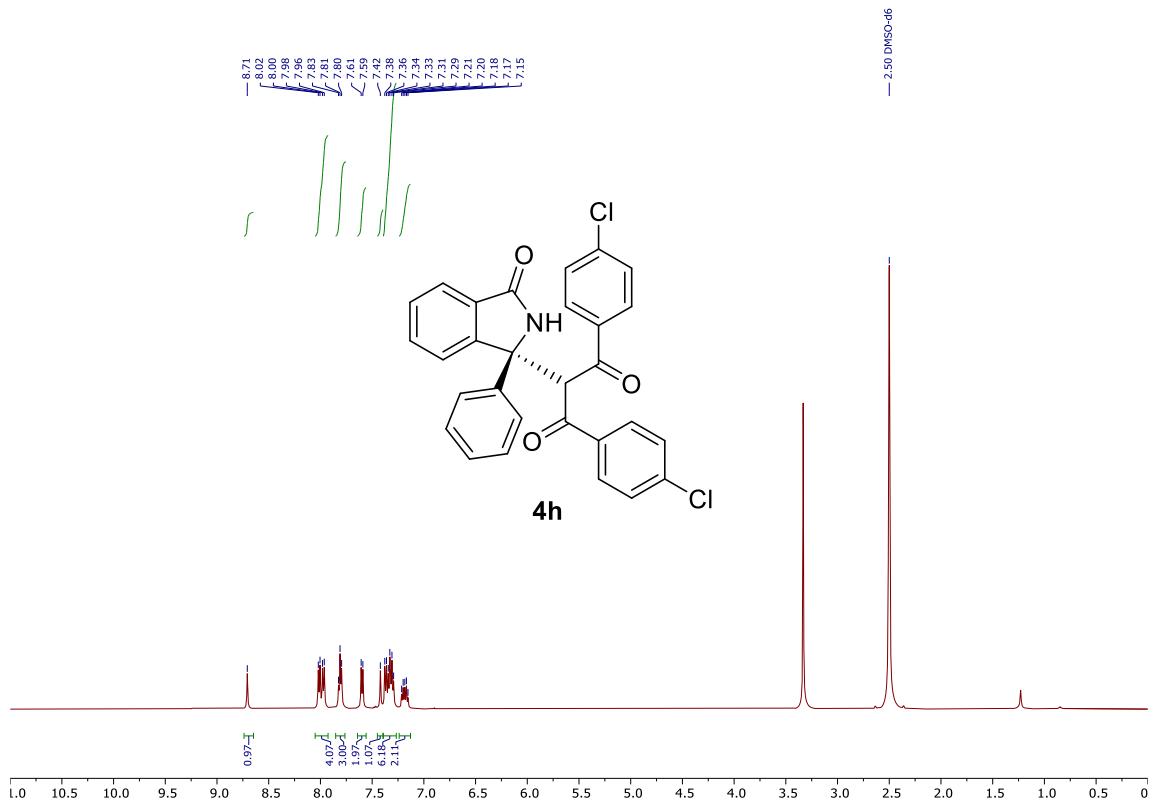


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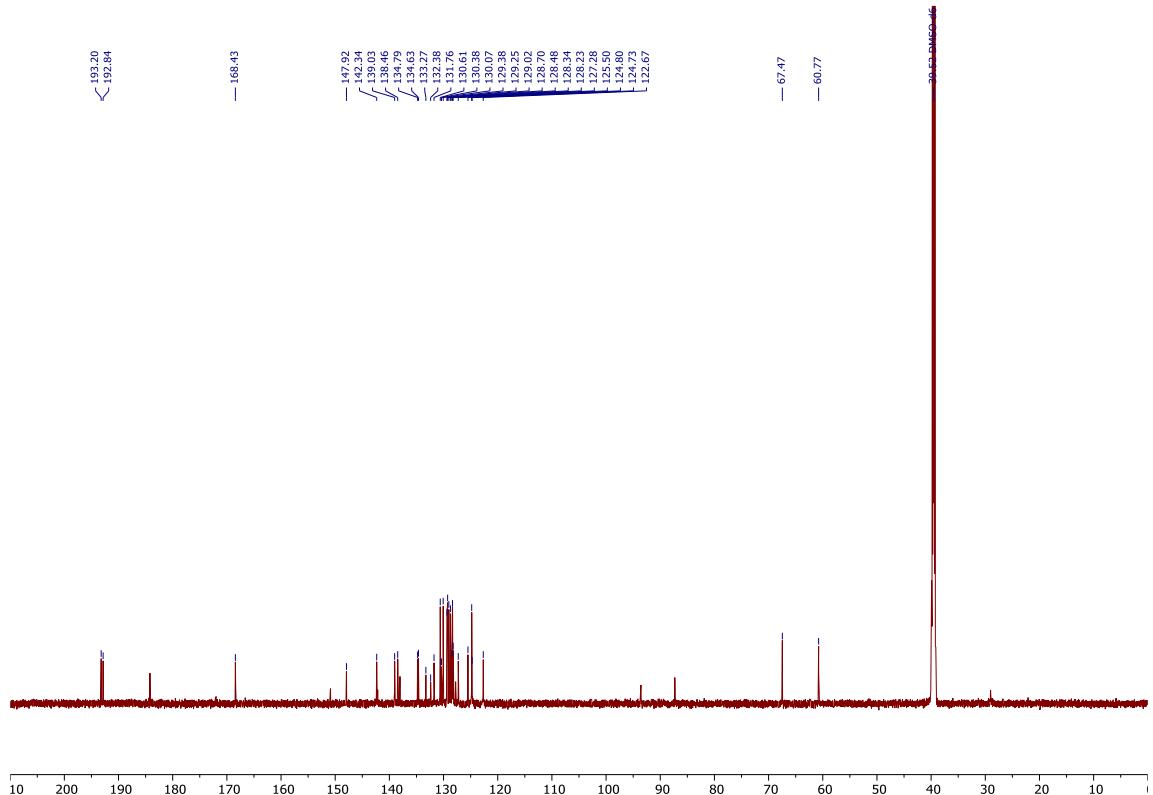


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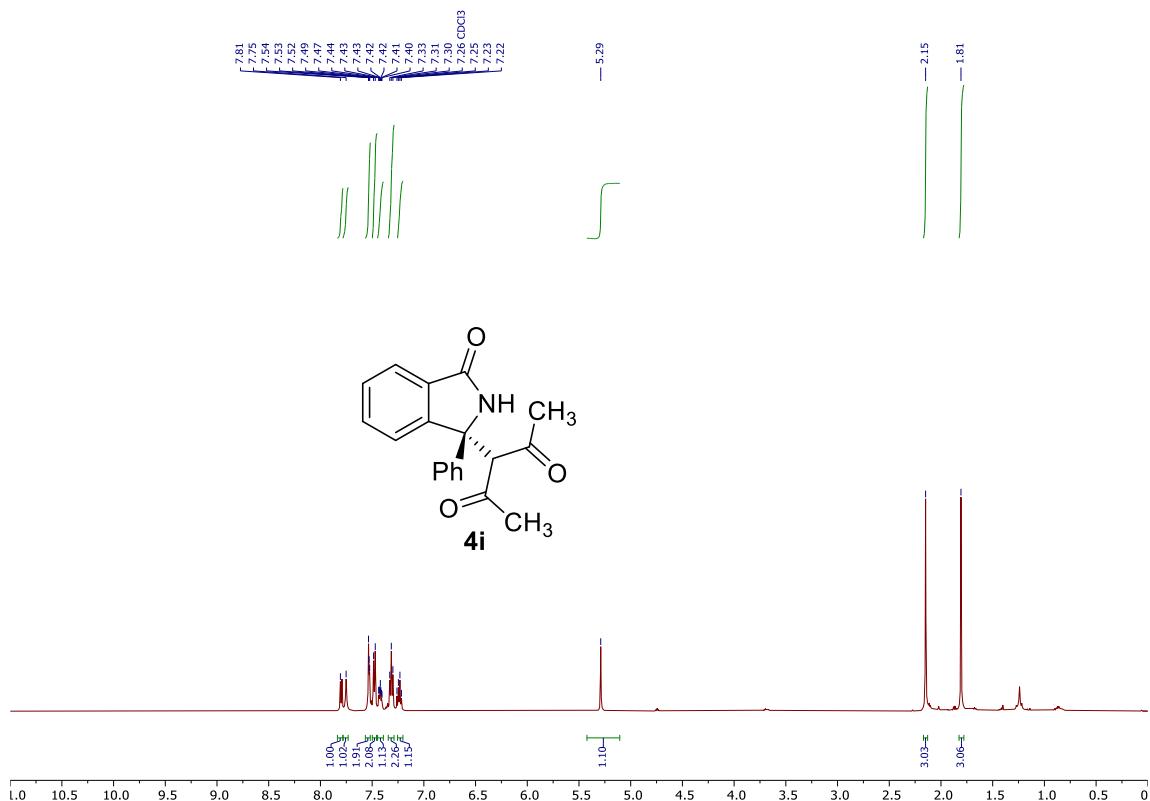




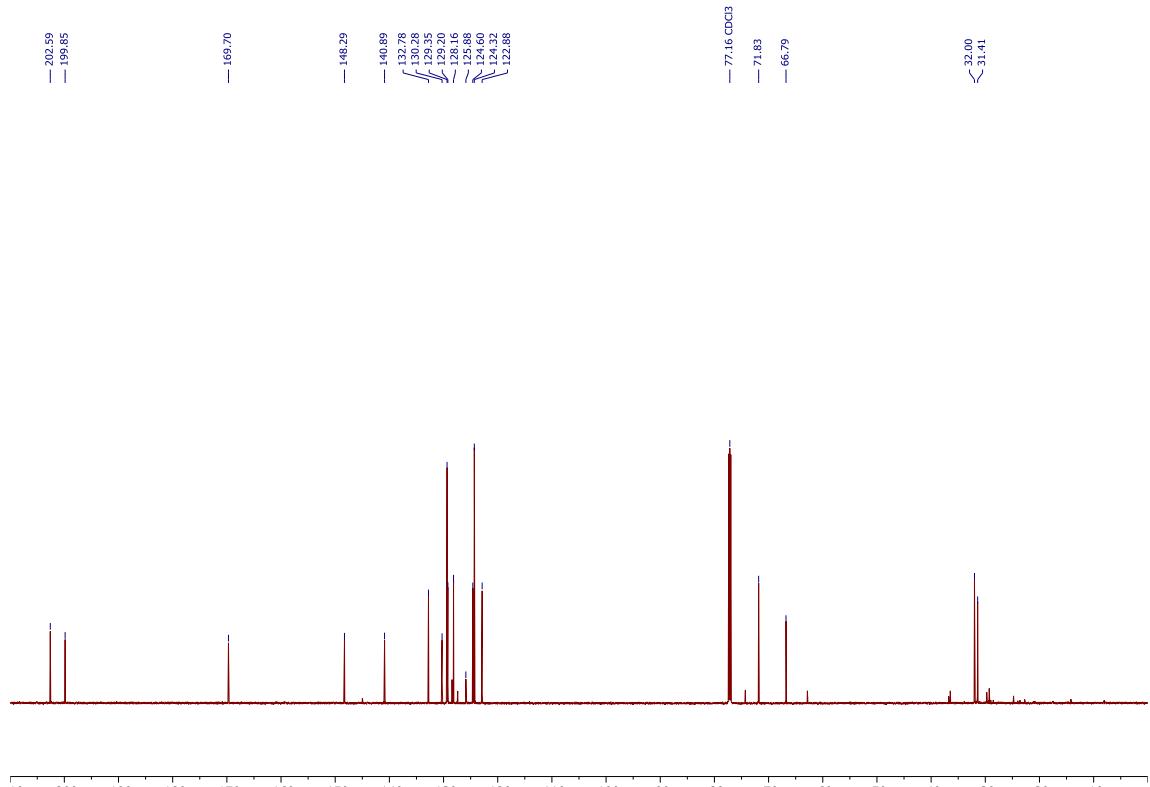
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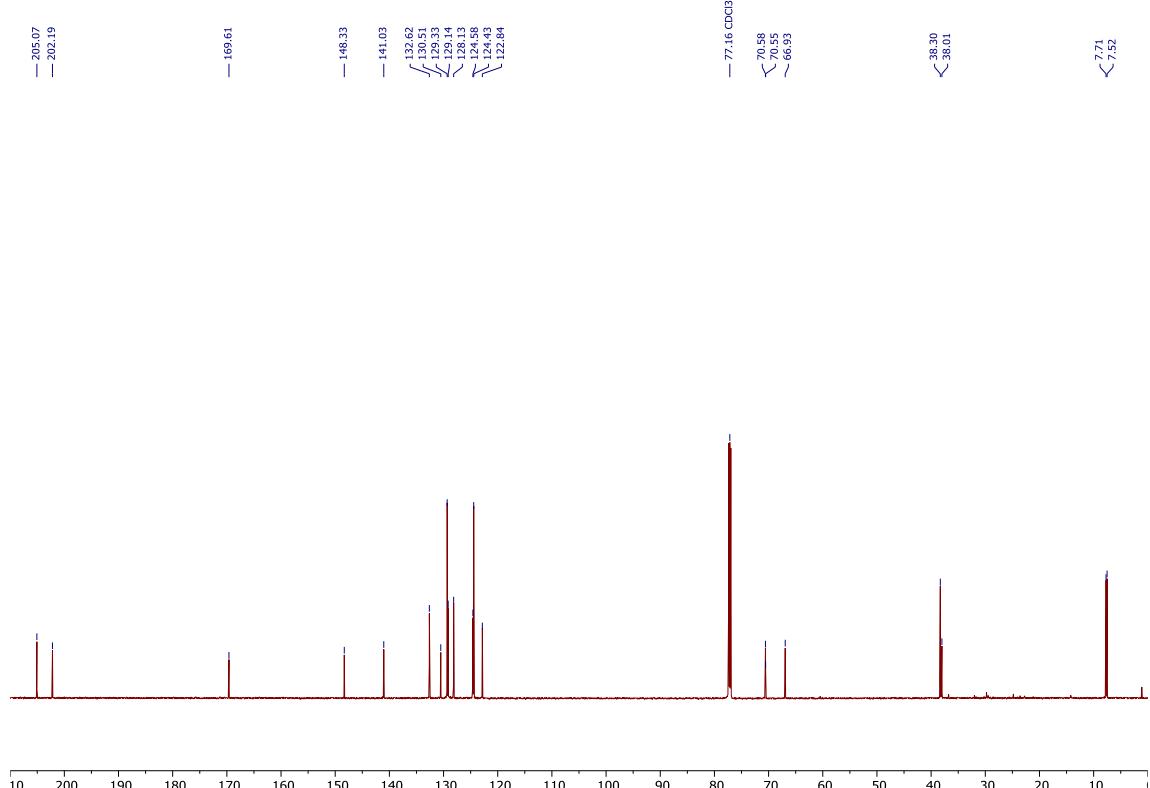
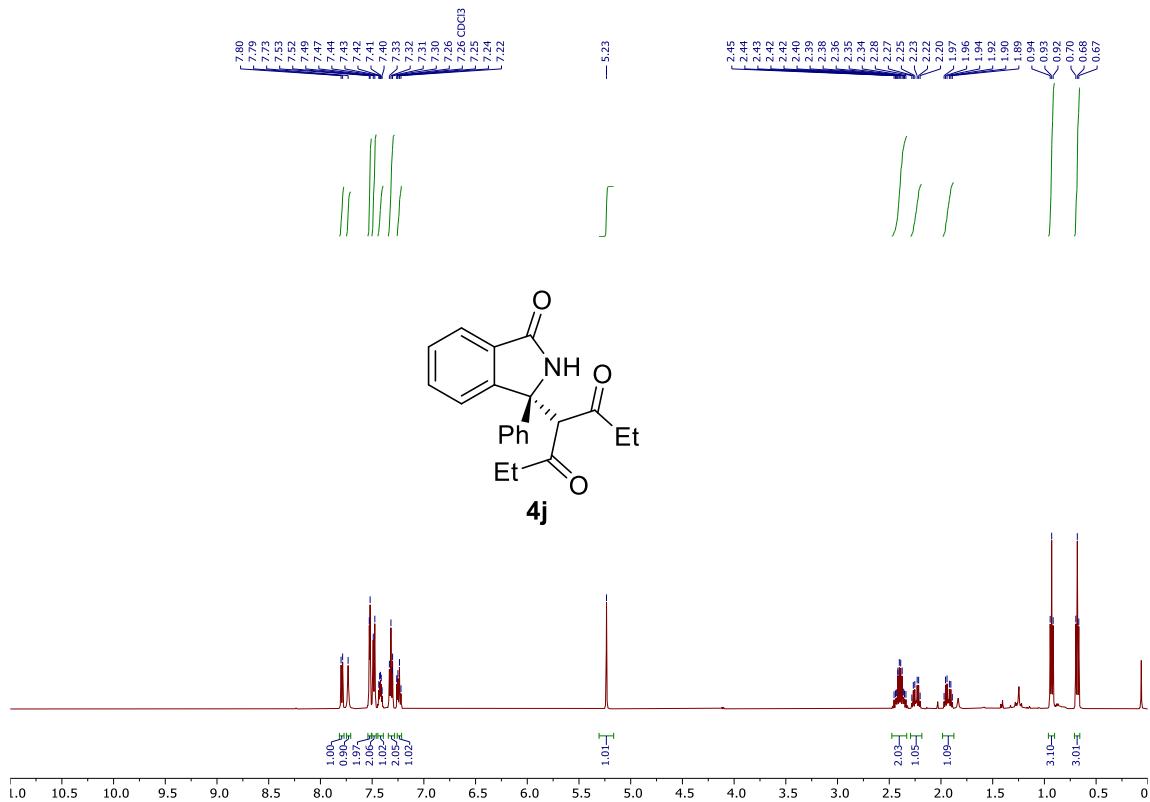
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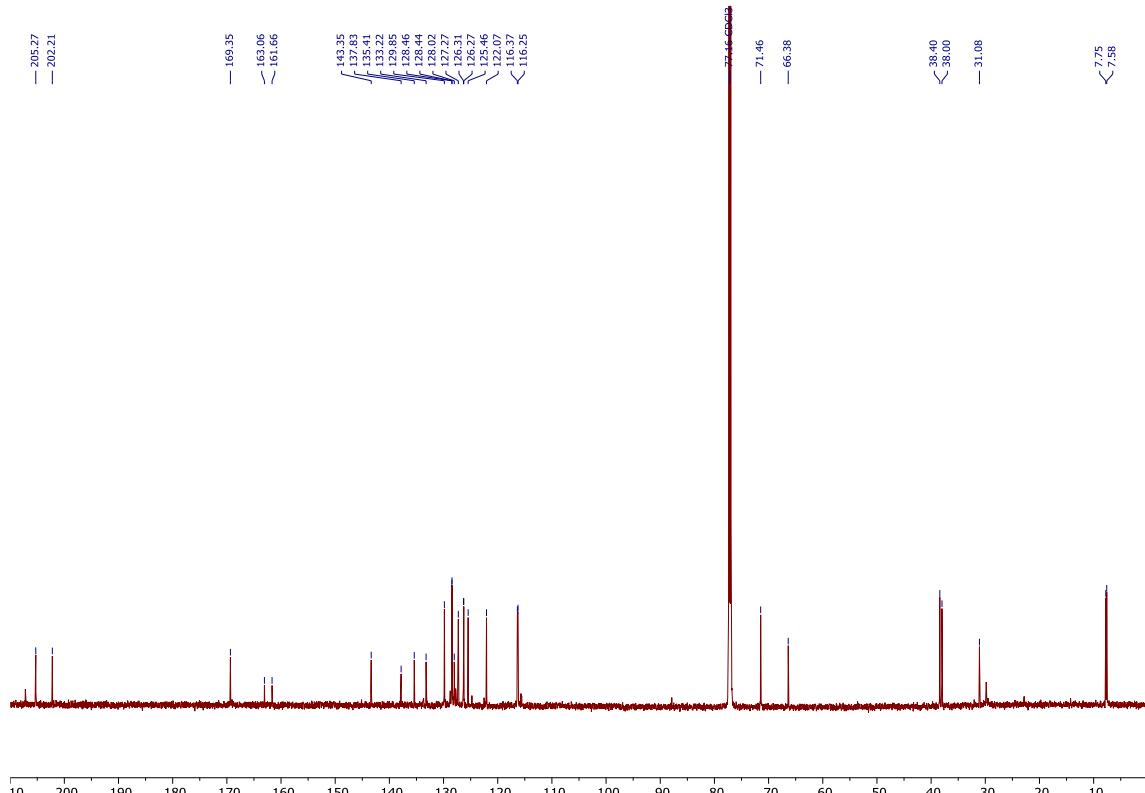
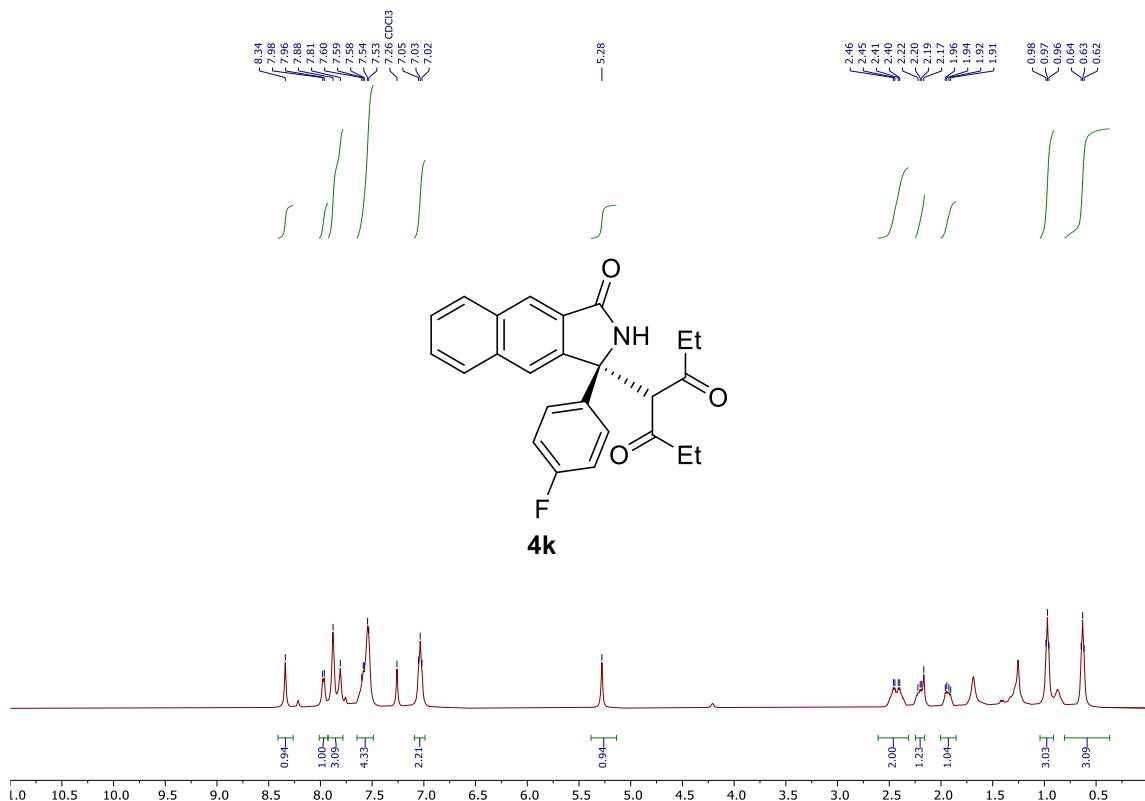


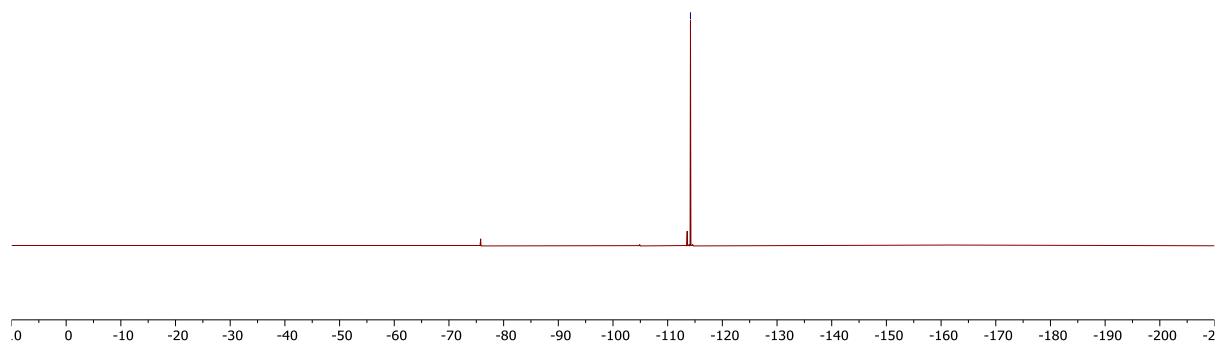
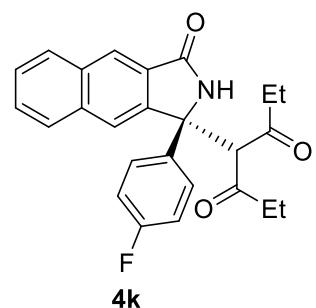
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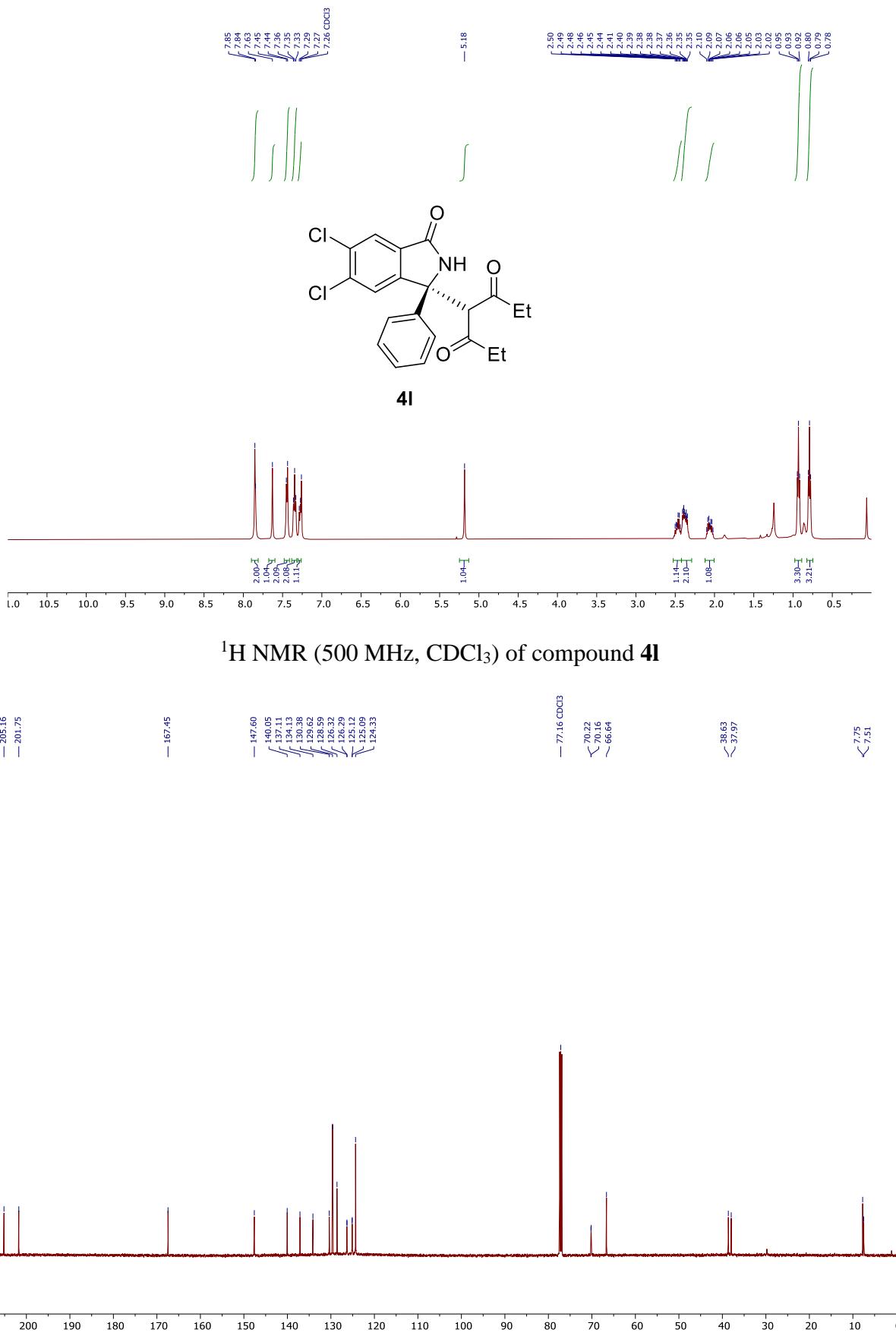
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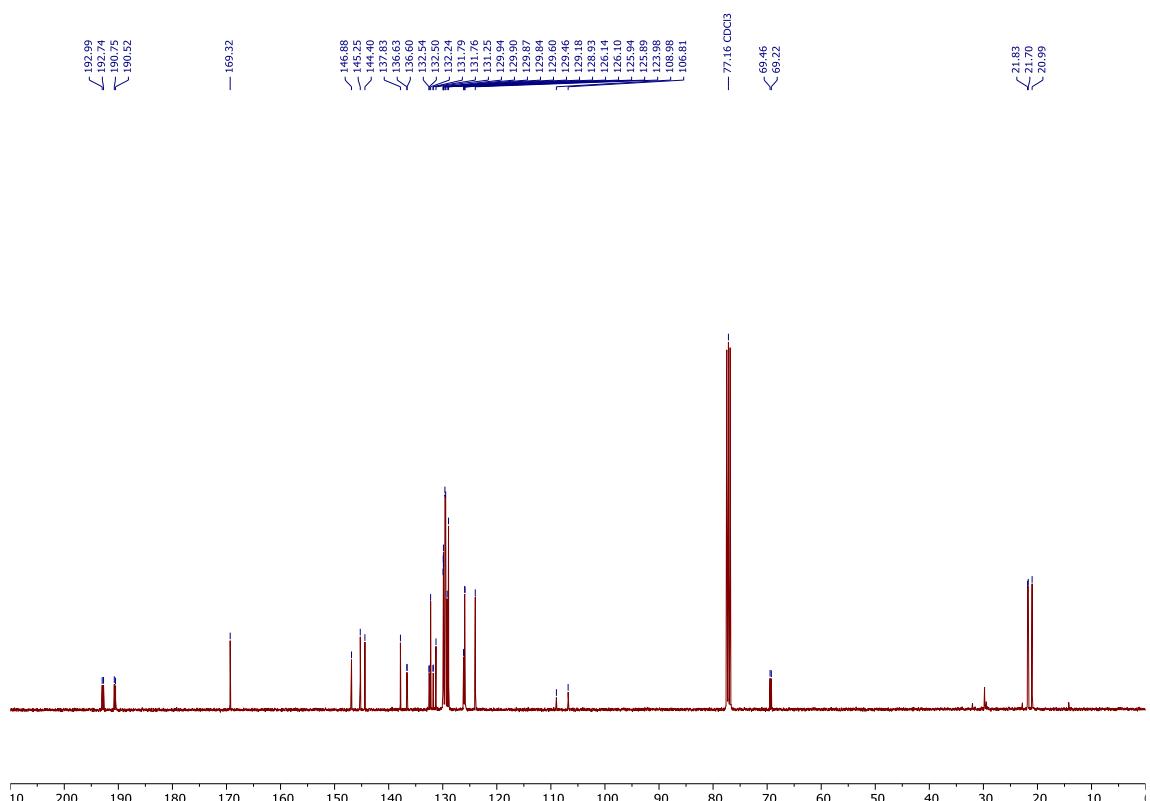
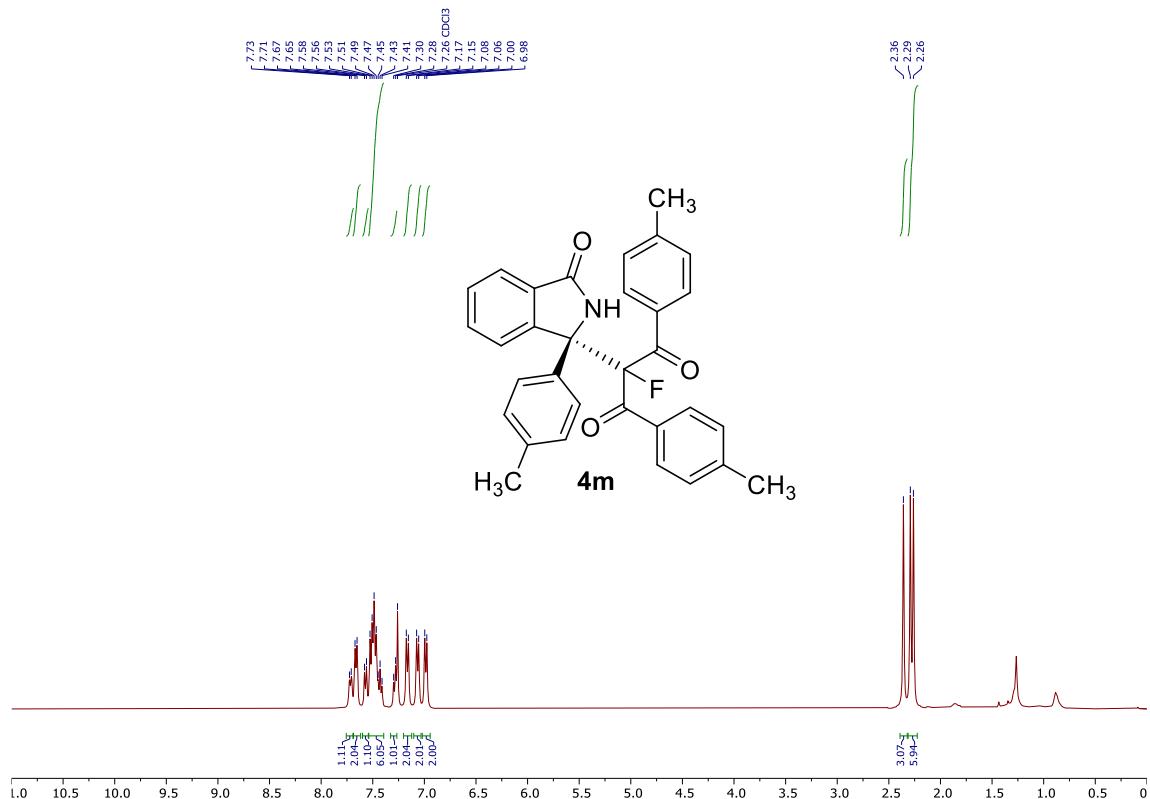


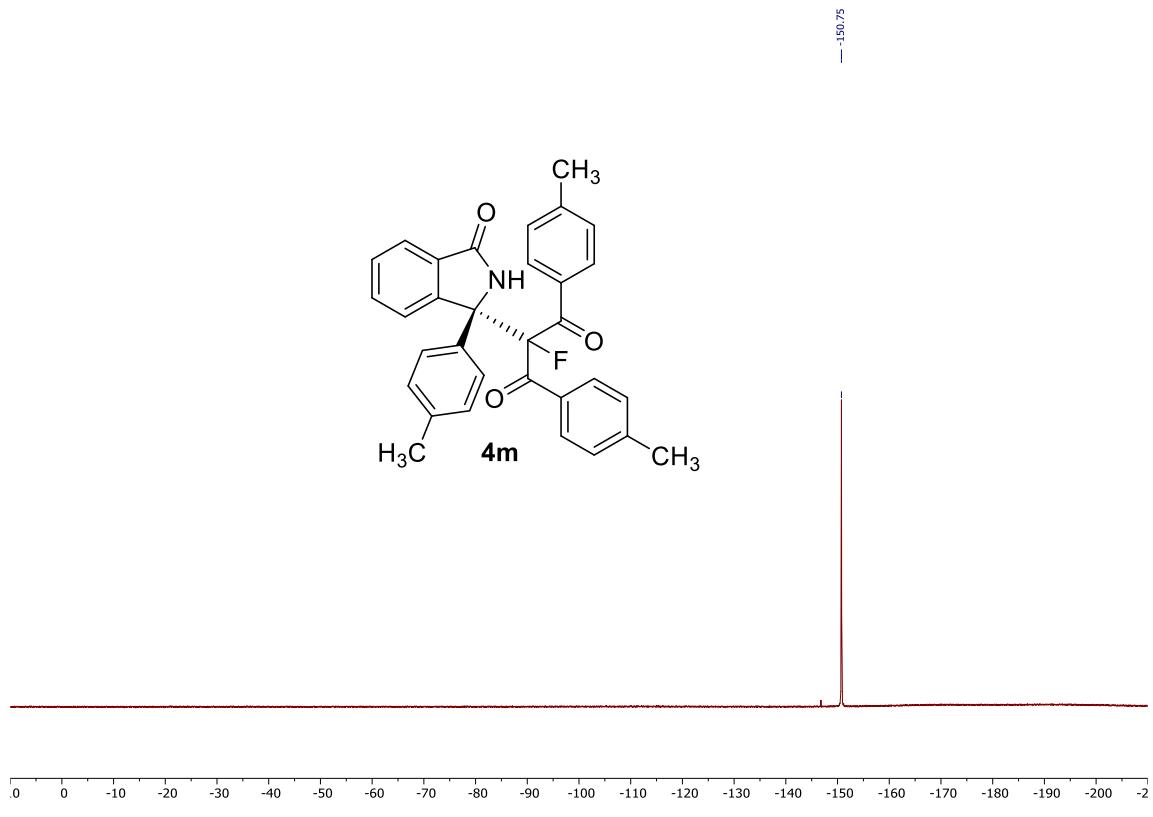


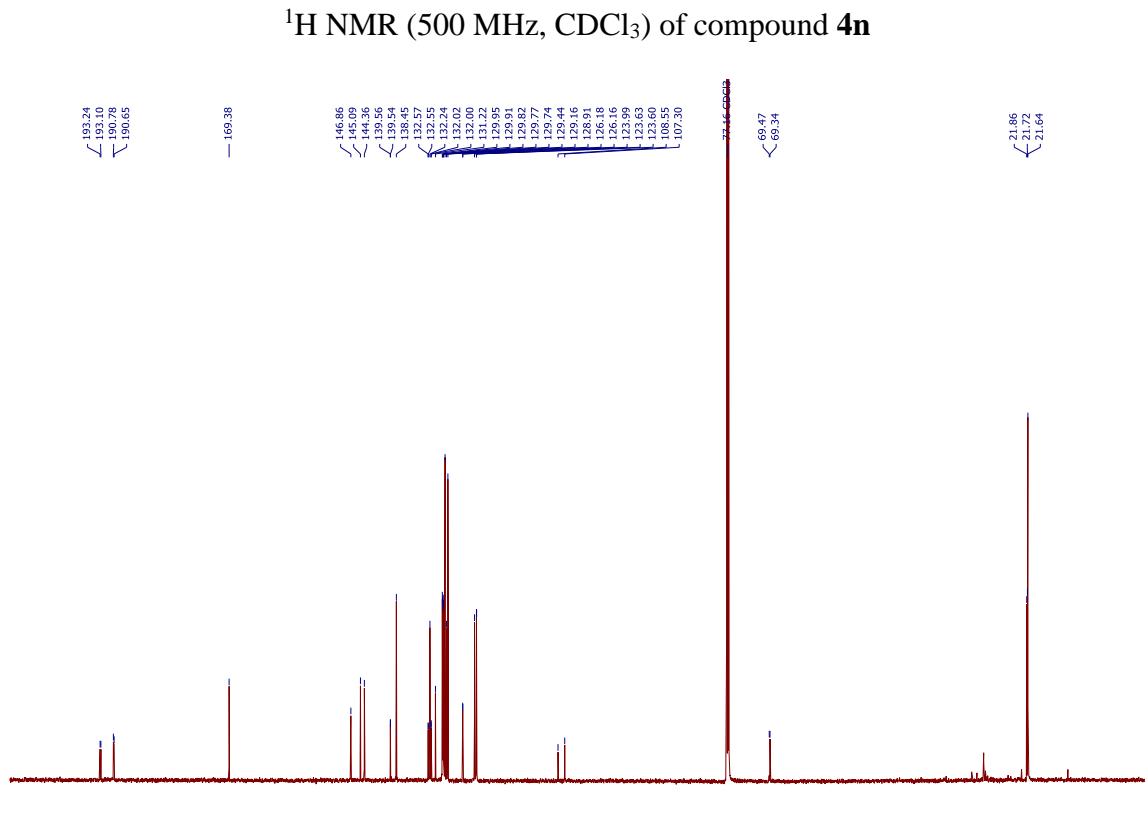
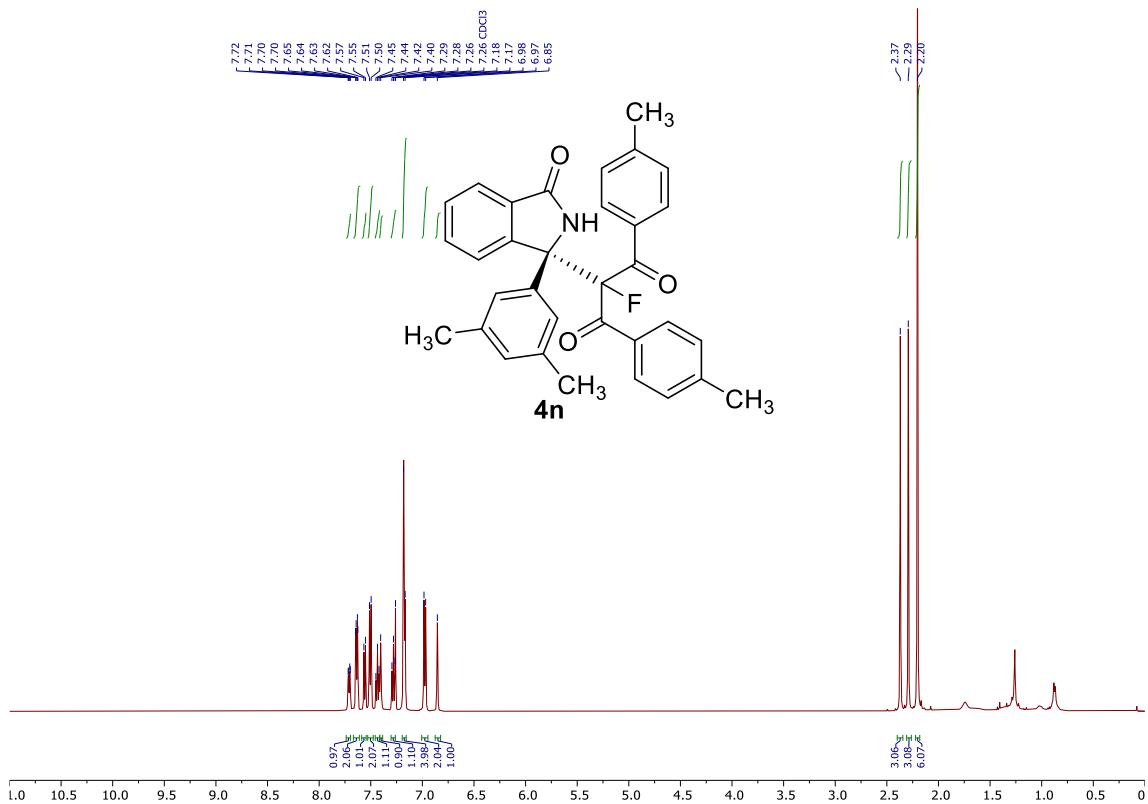


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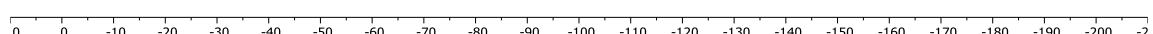
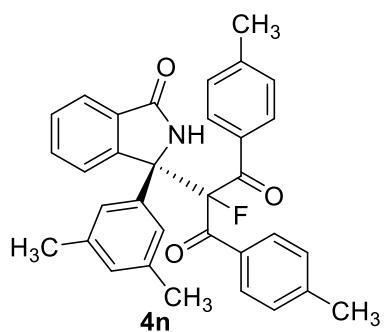




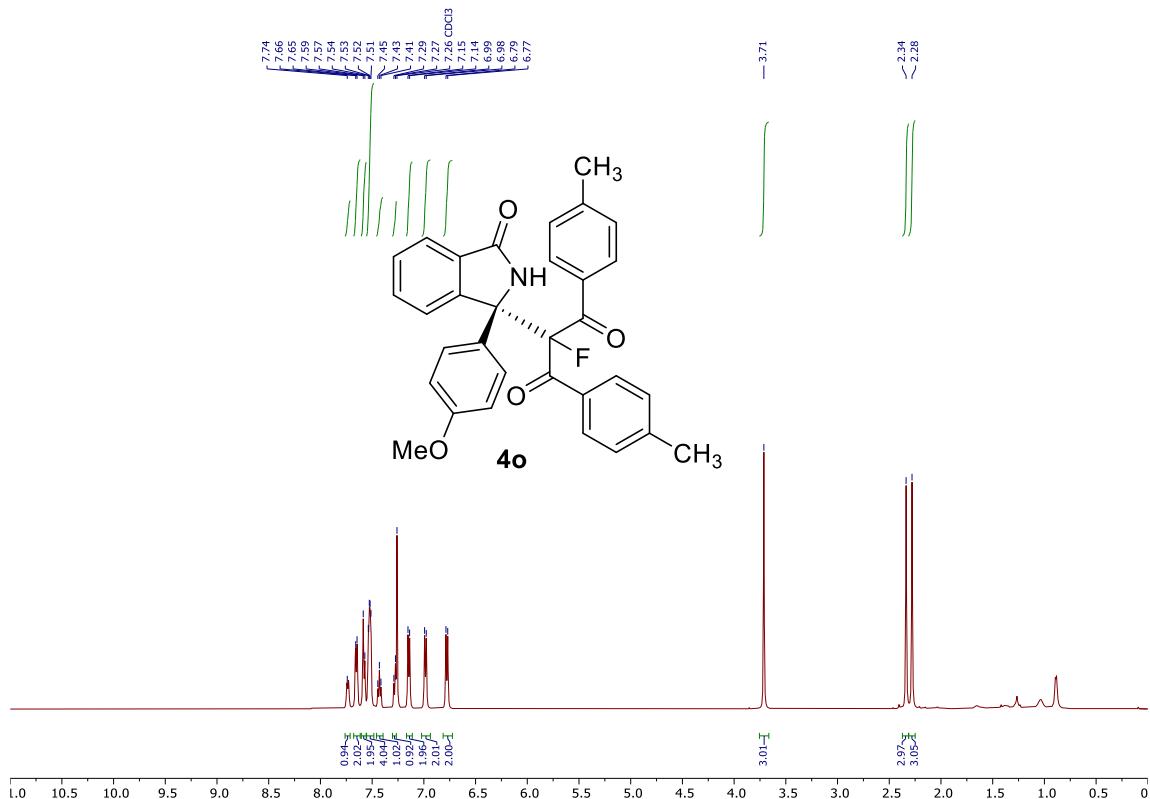


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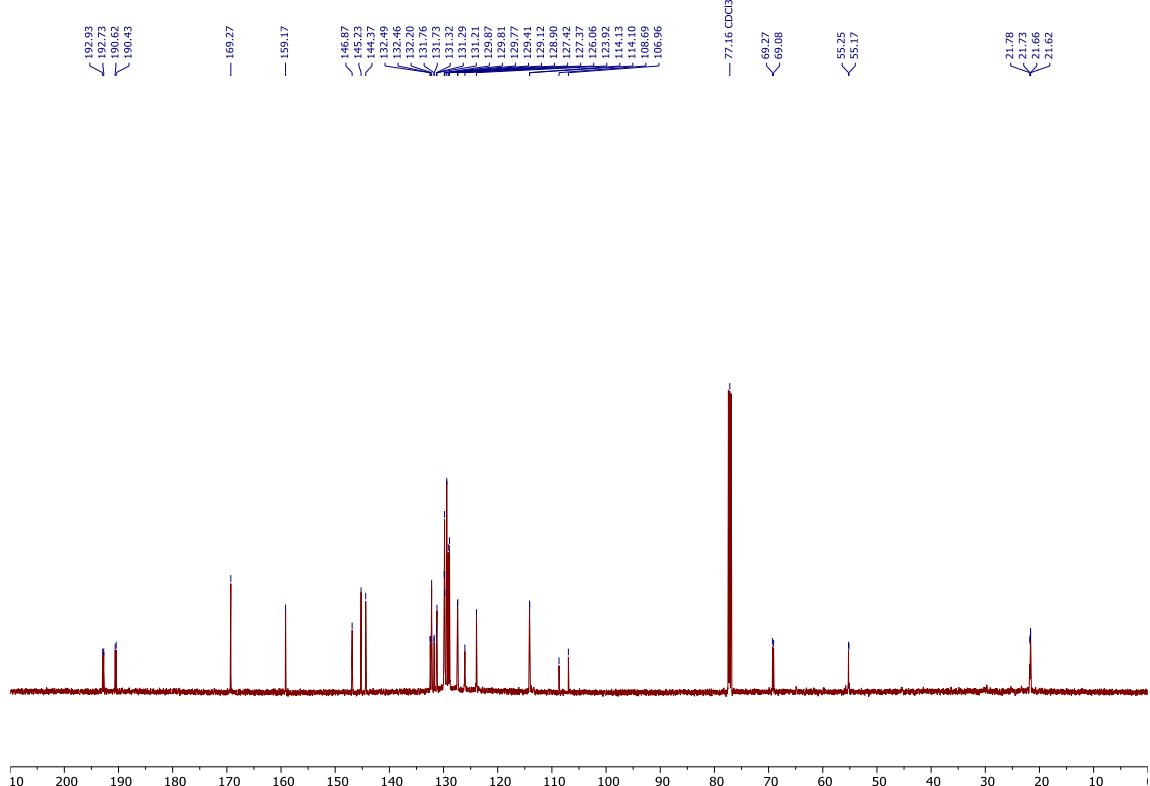
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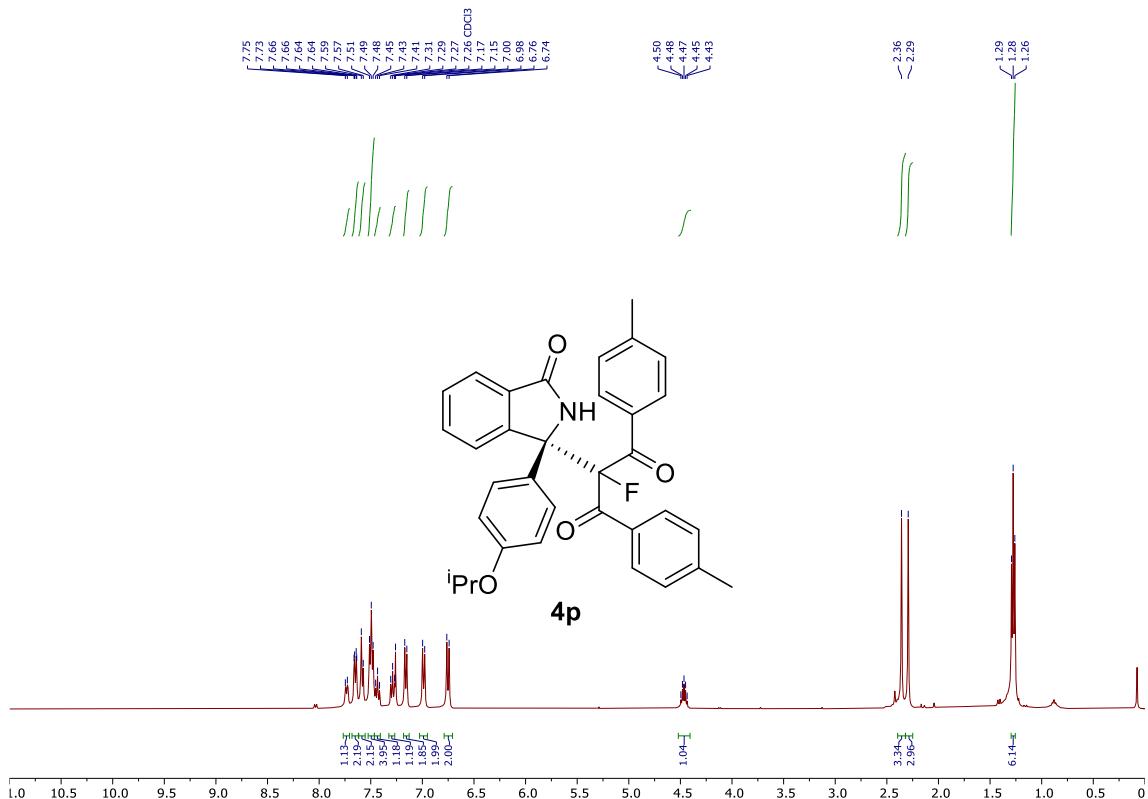
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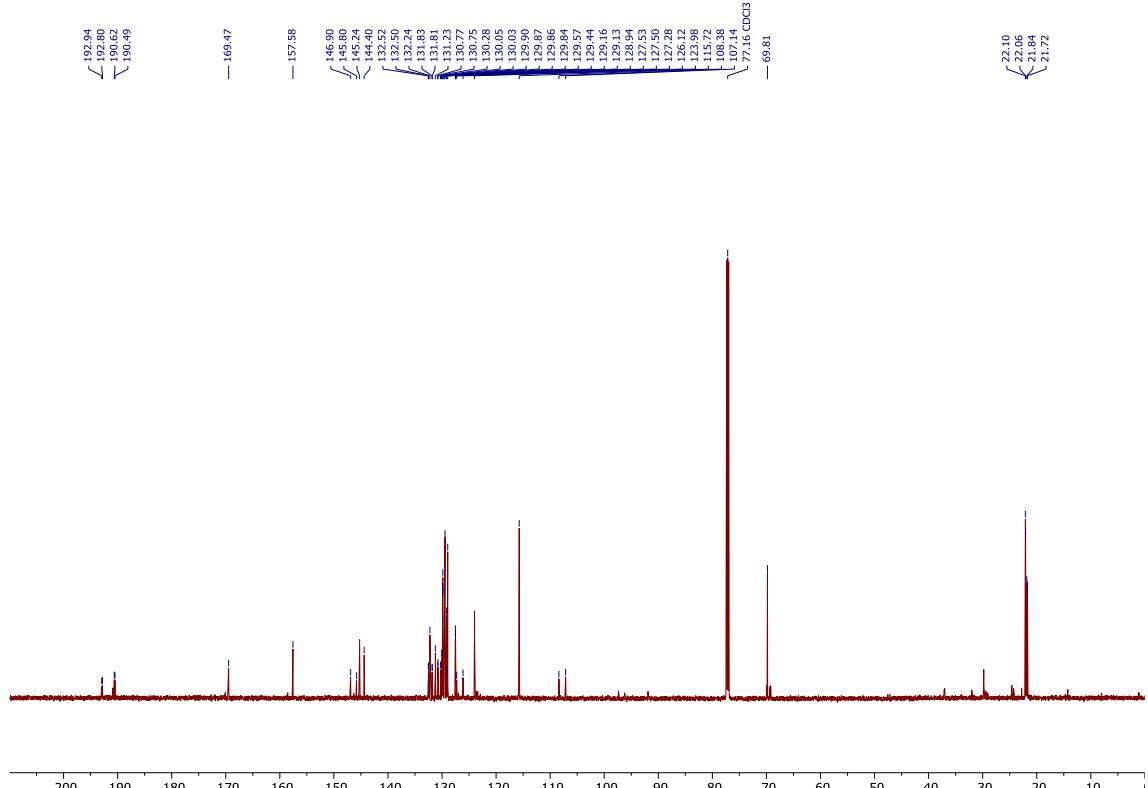
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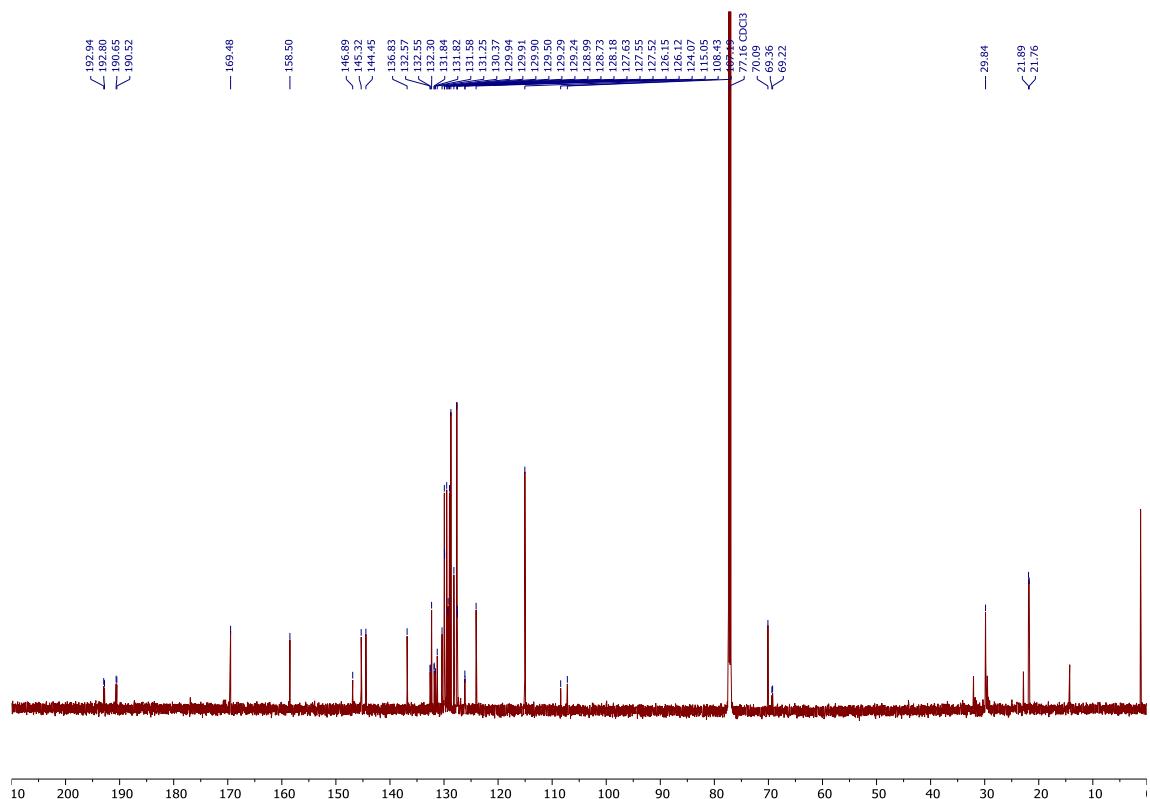
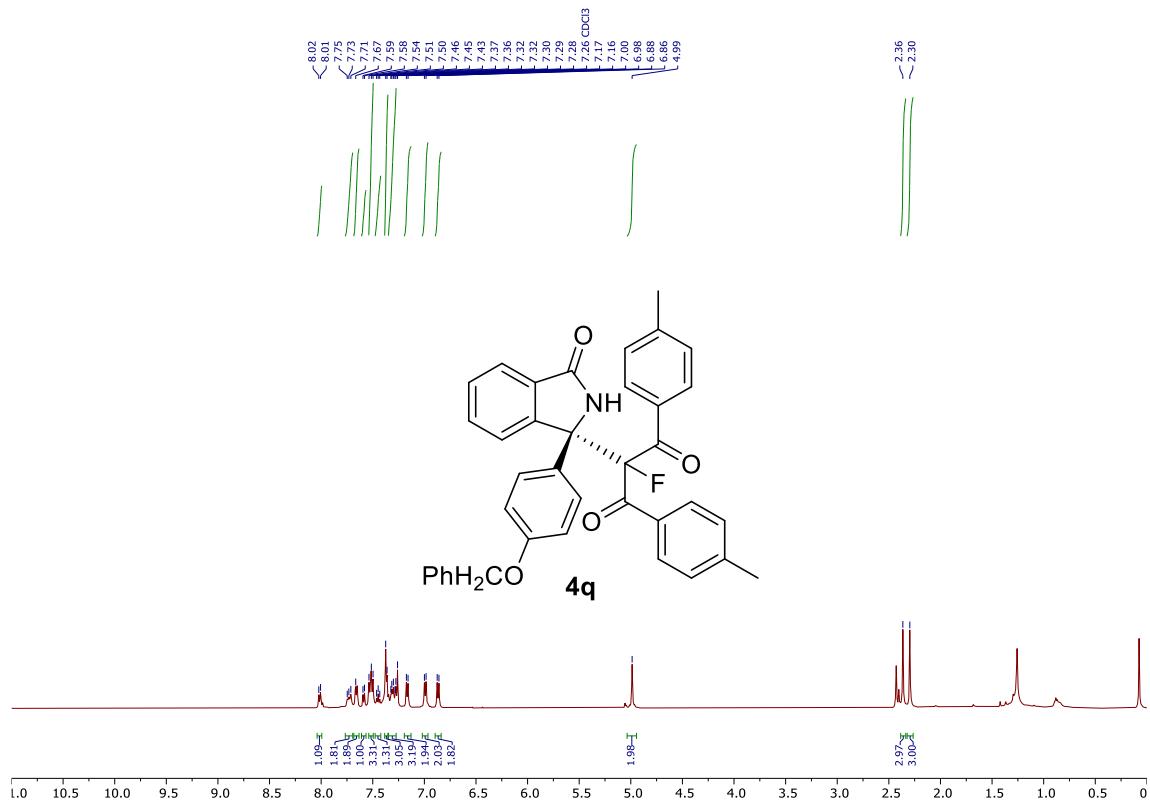
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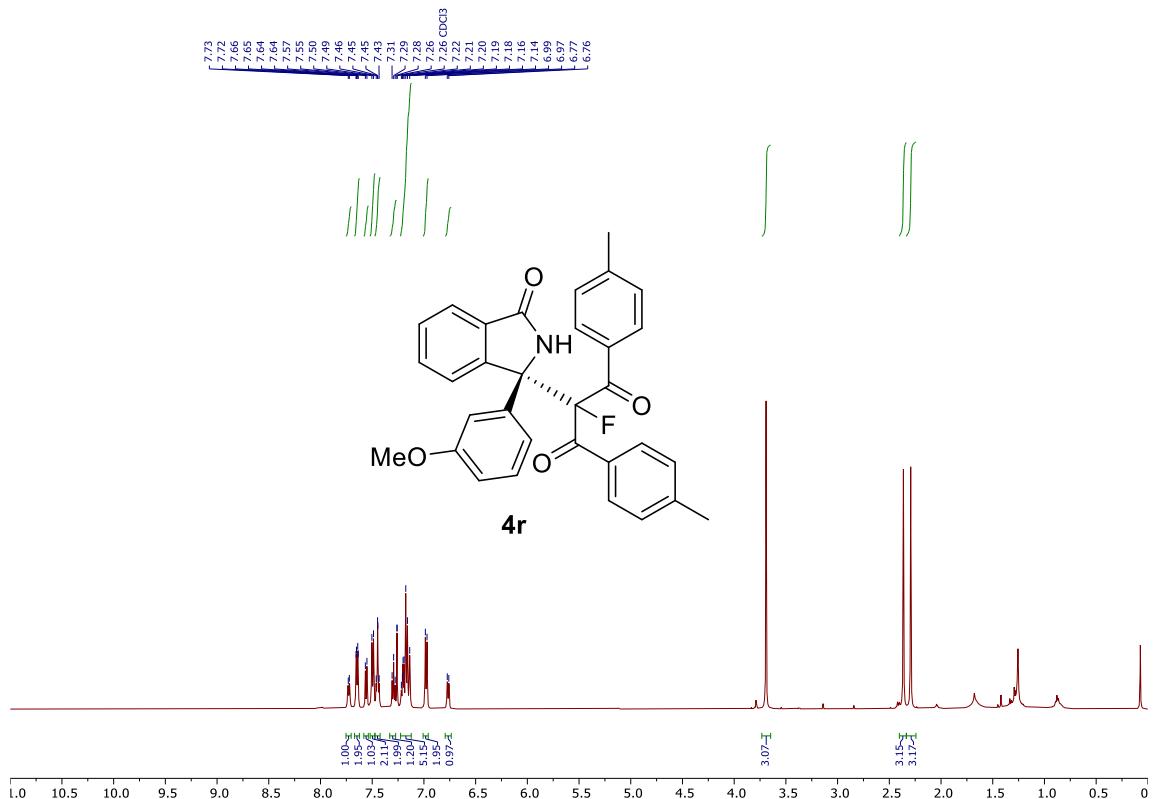


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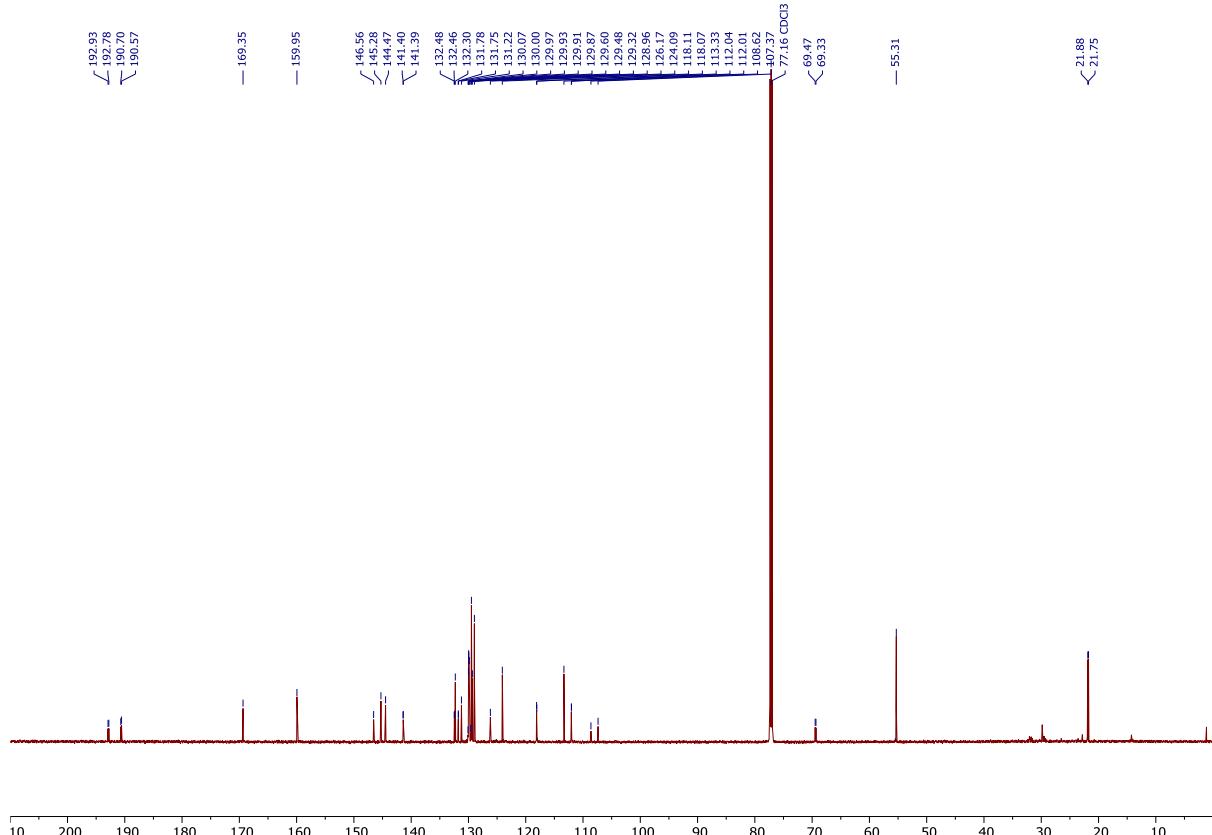


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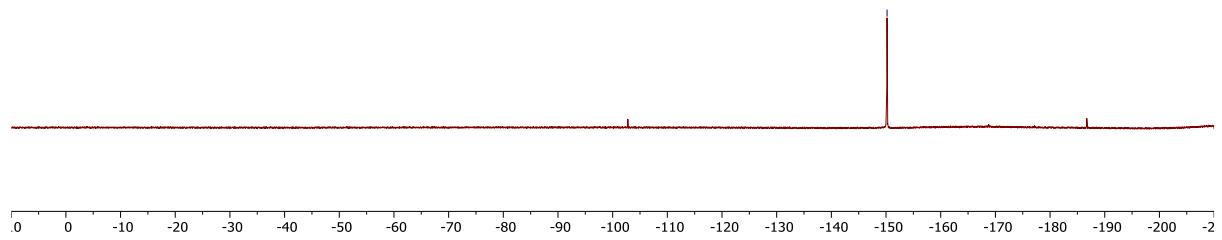
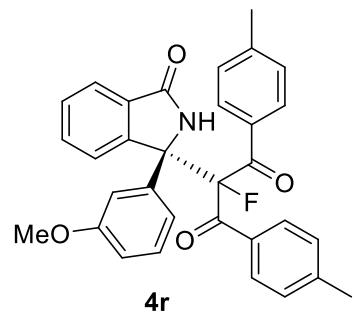


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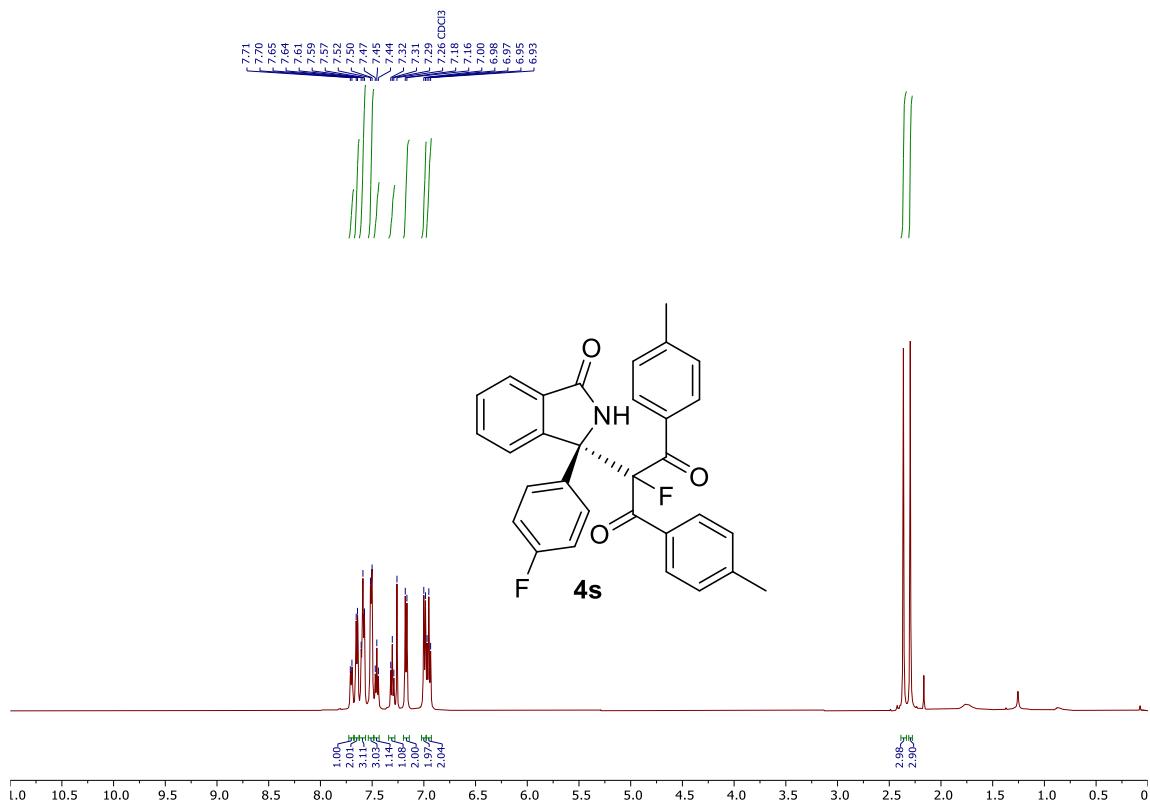


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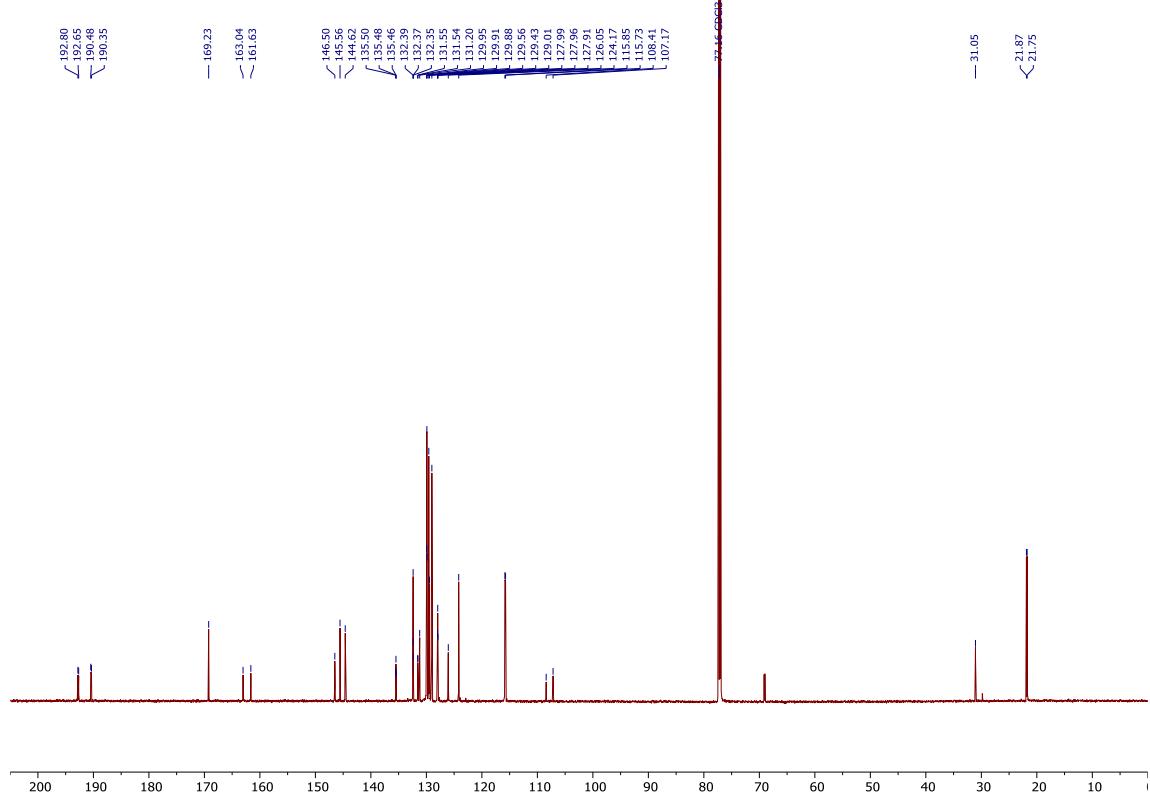
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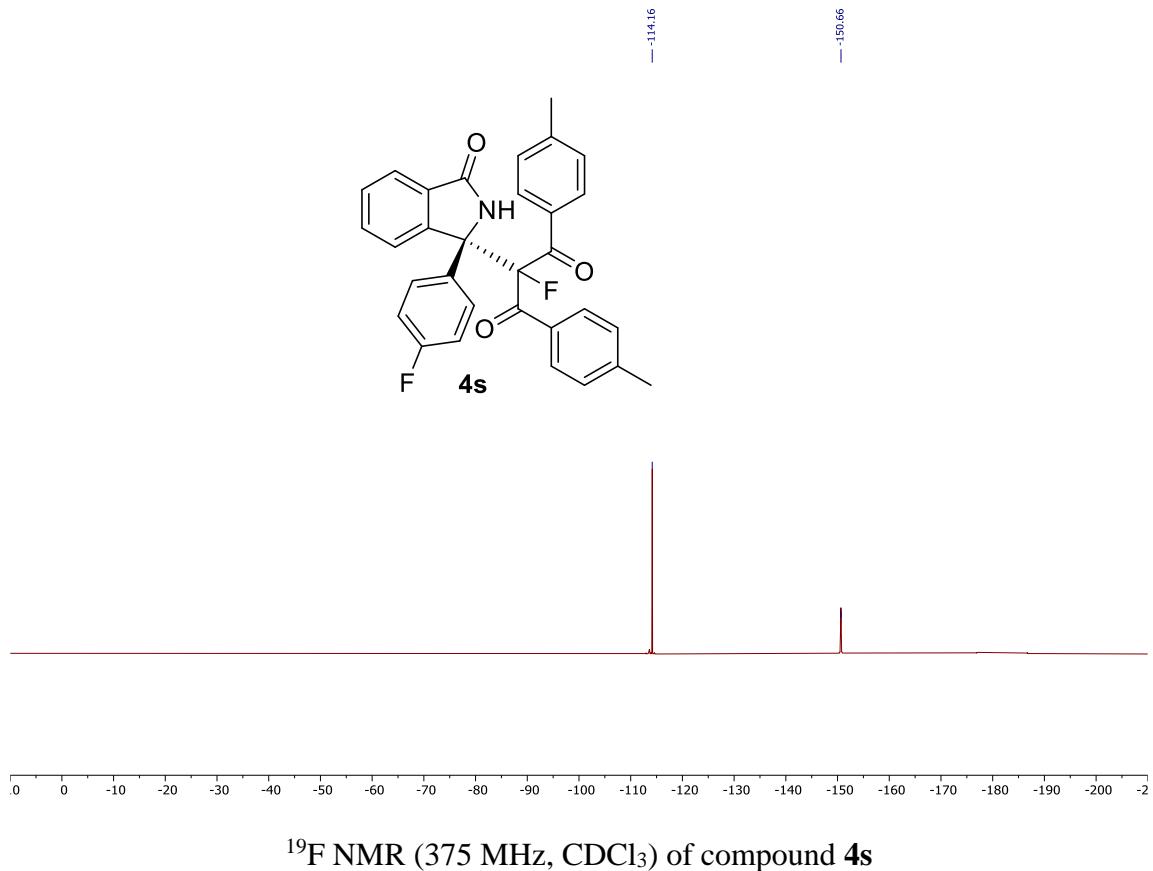
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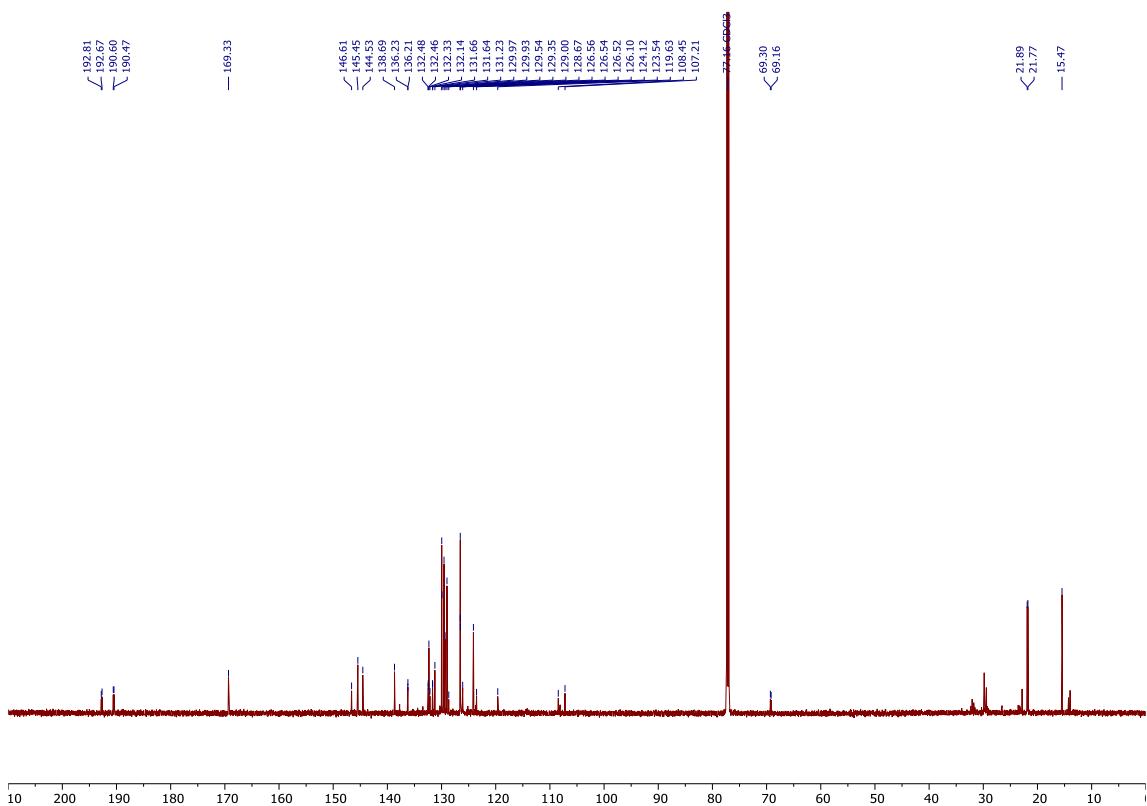
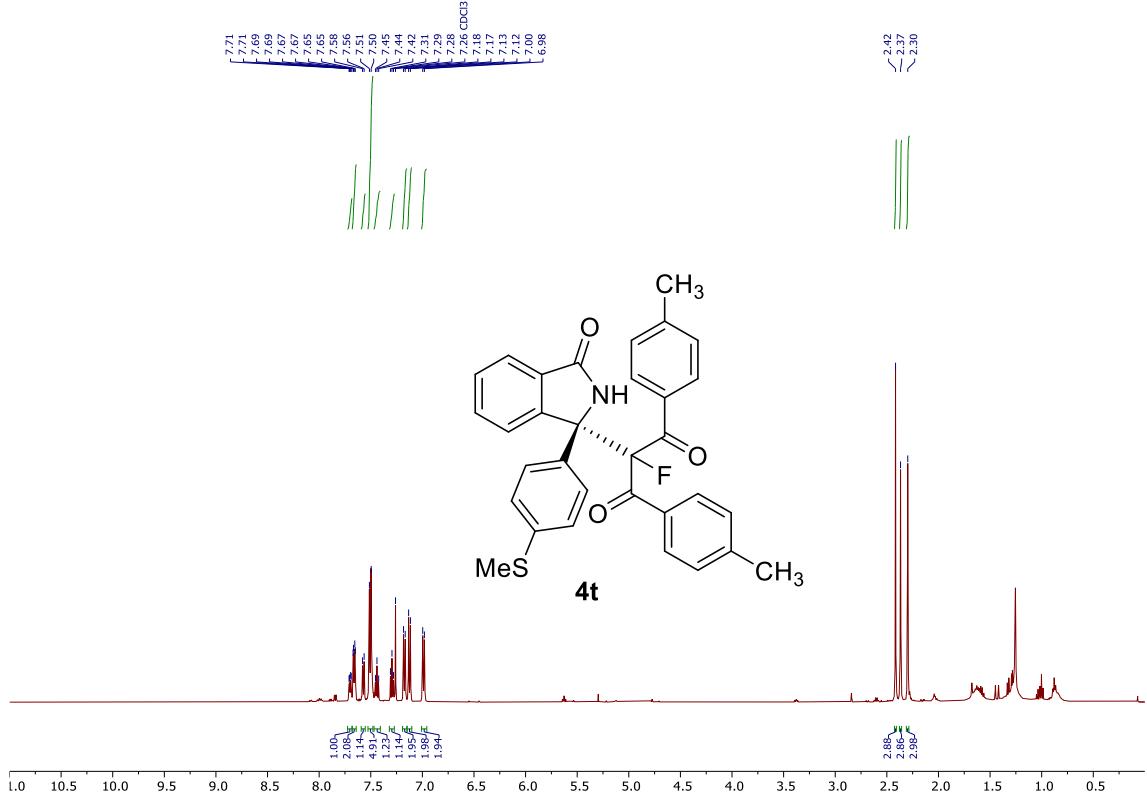


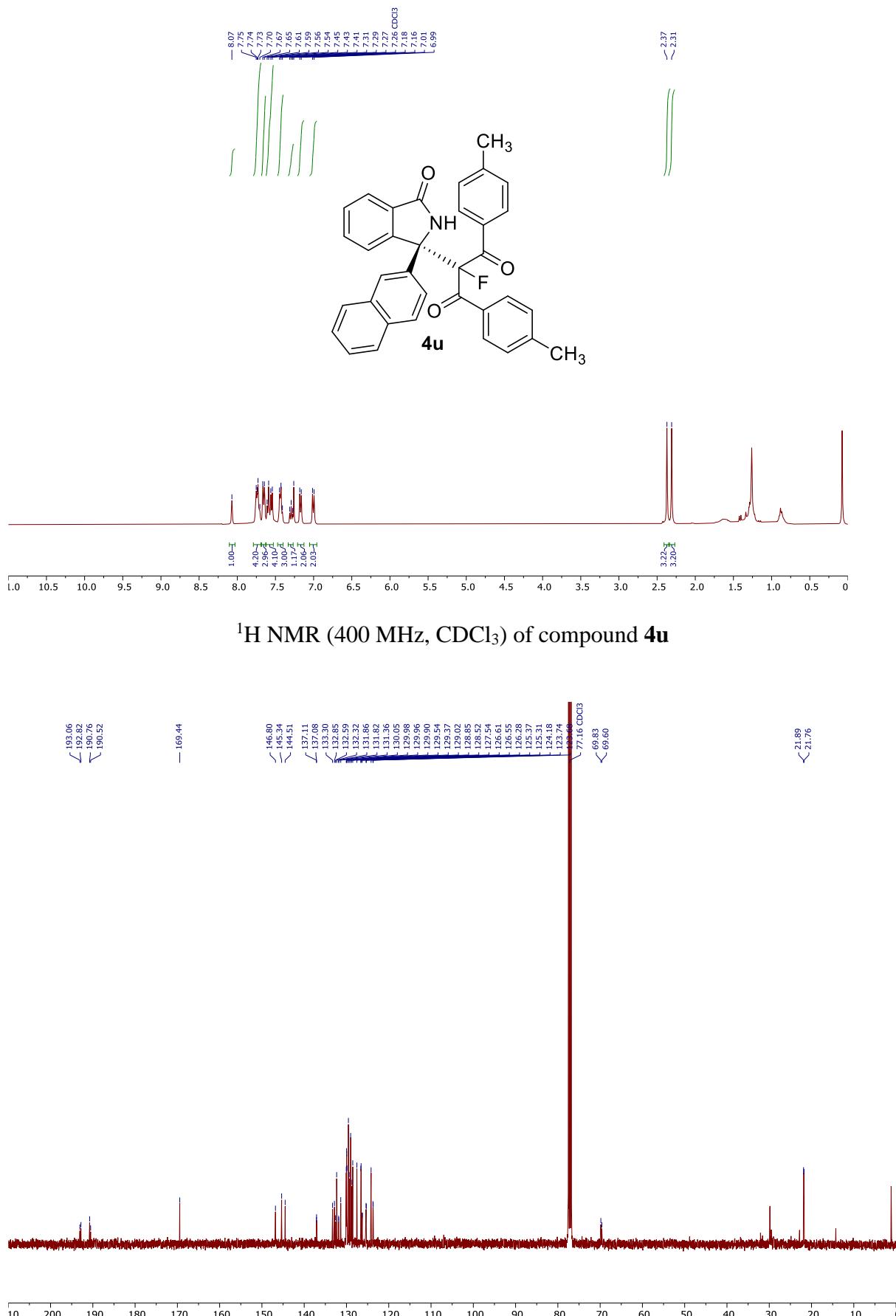
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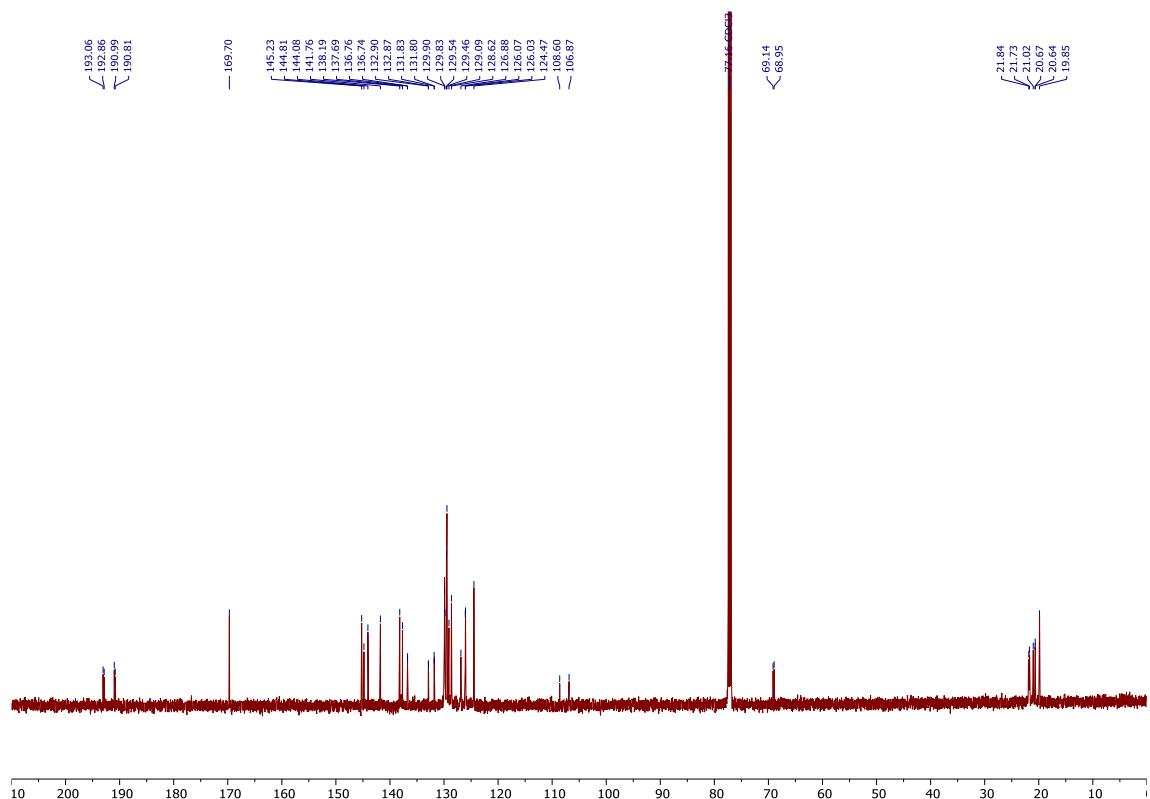
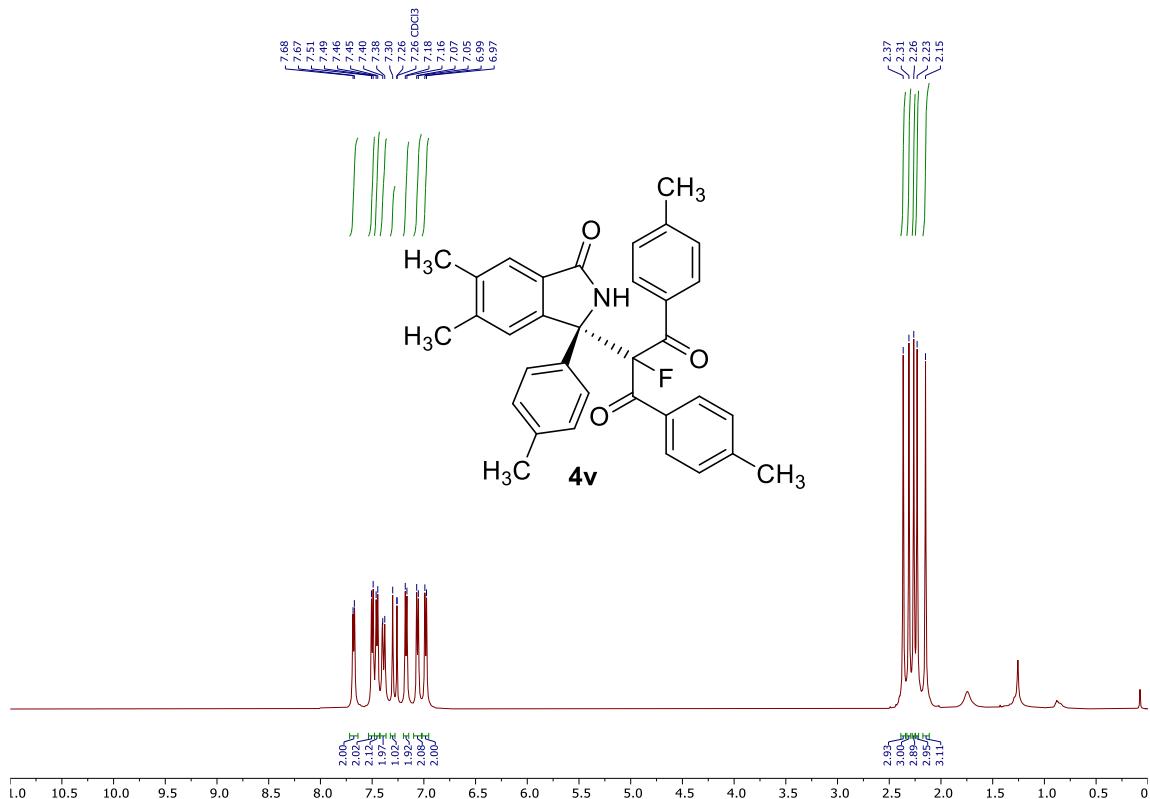


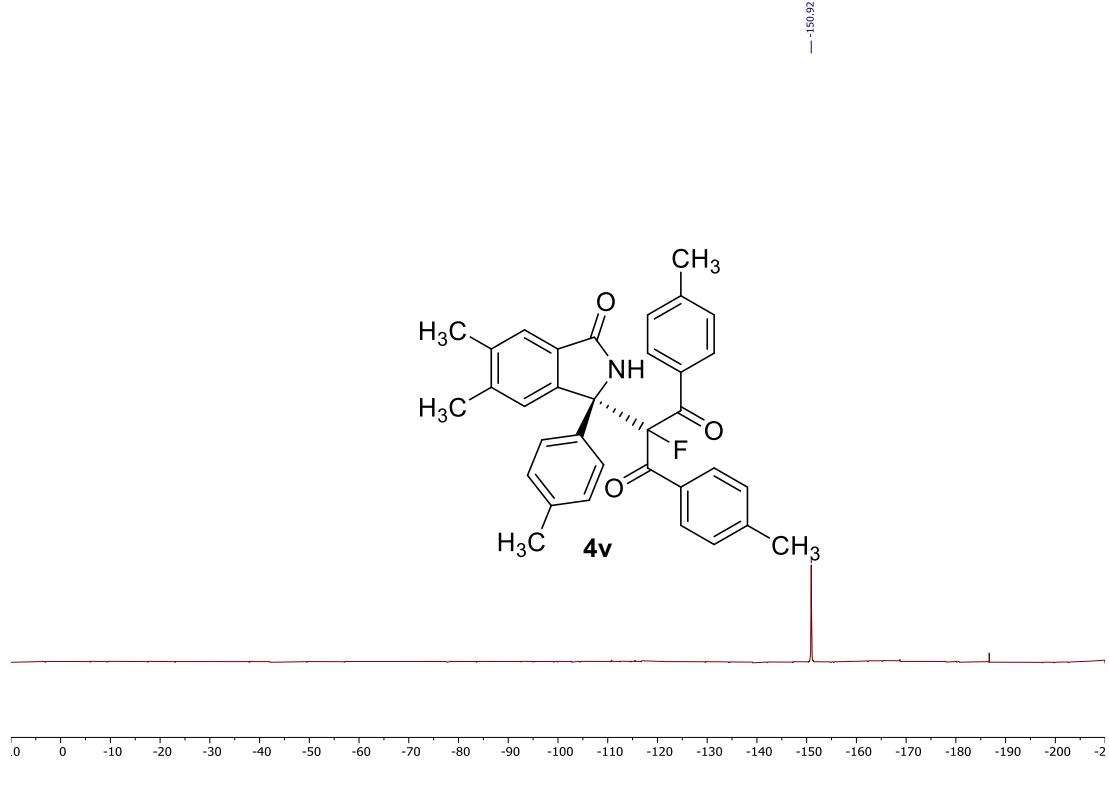
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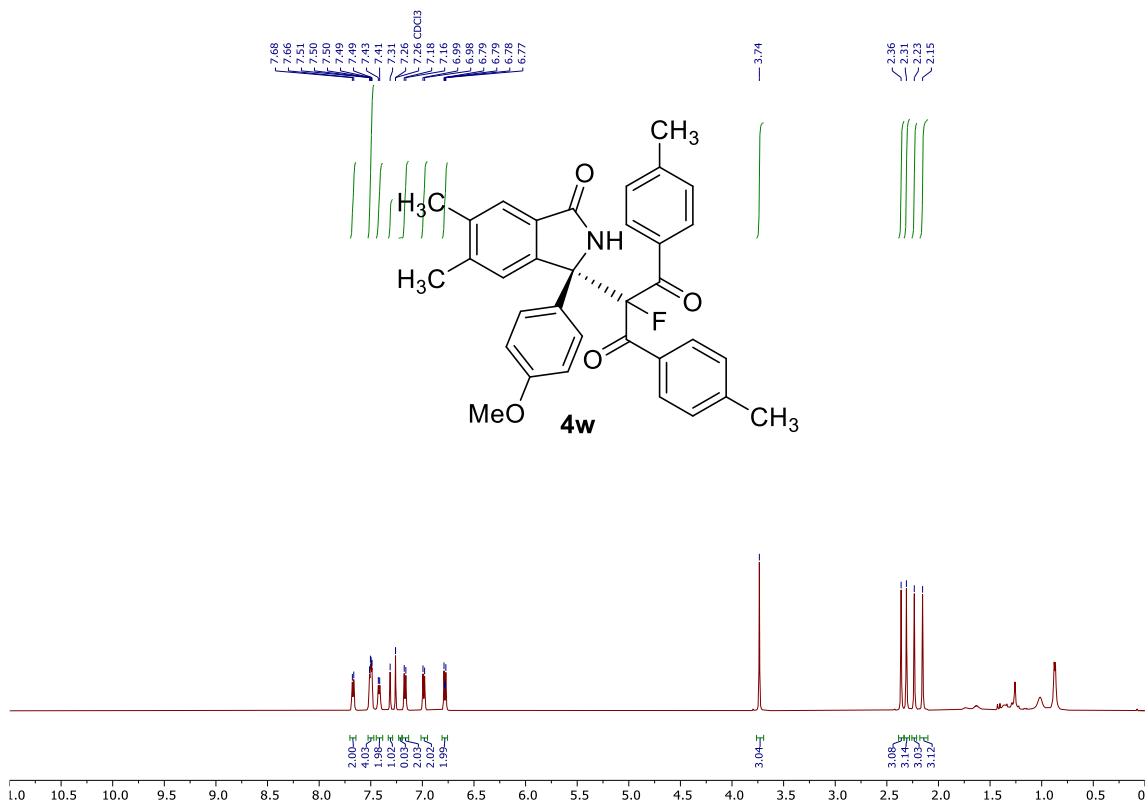


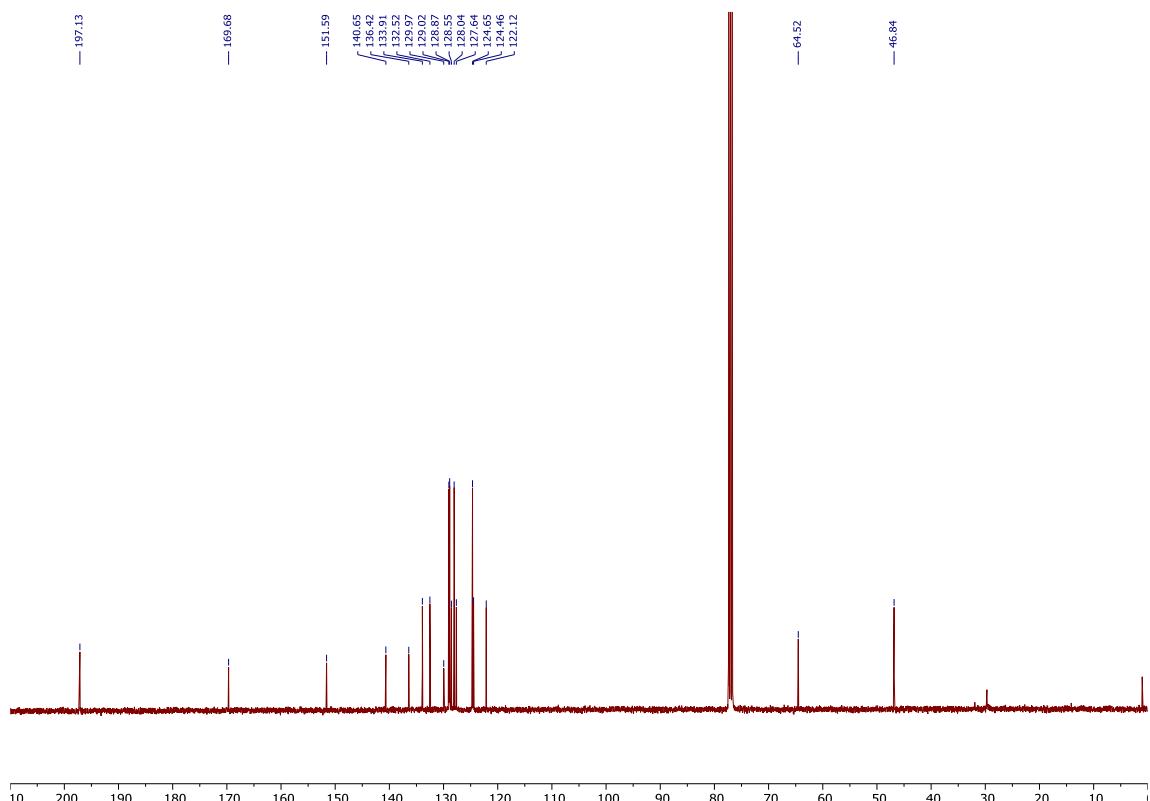
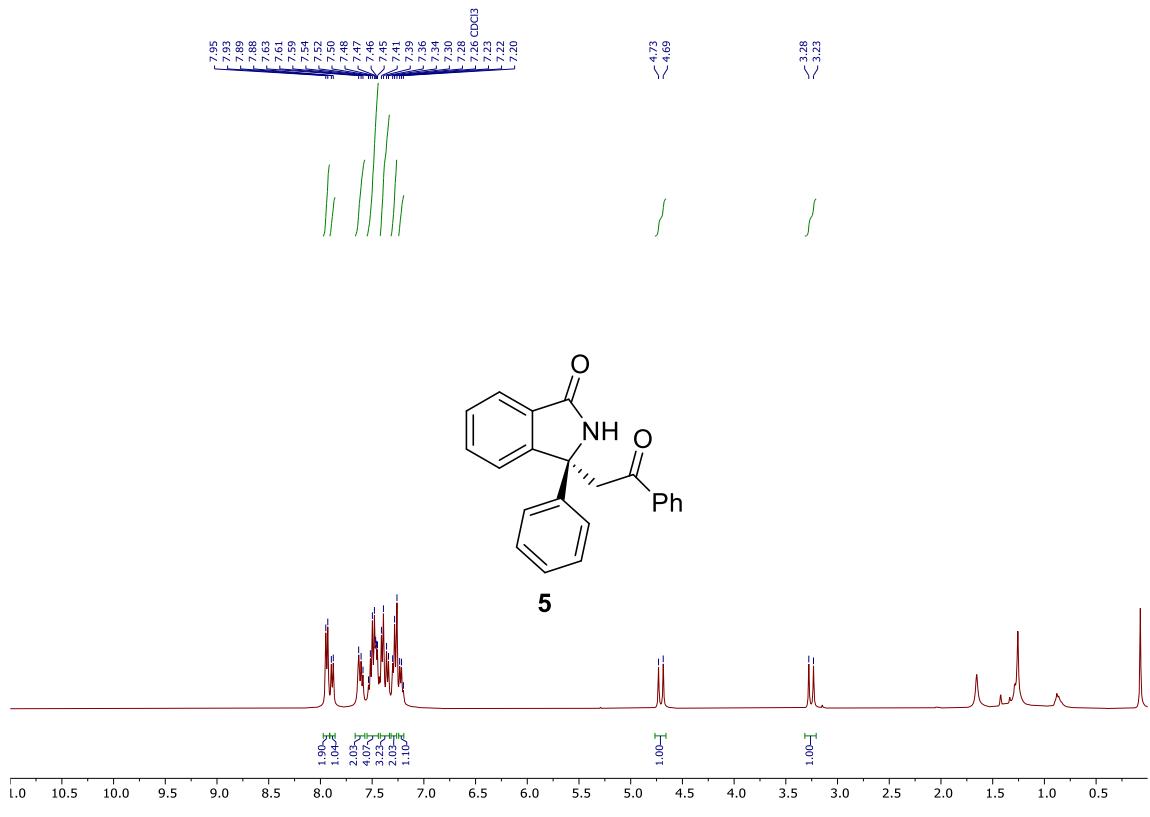




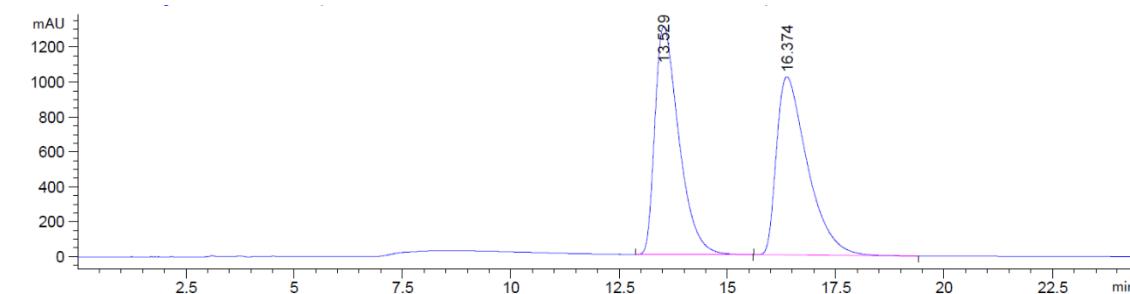


^{19}F NMR (375 MHz, CDCl_3) of compound **4v**



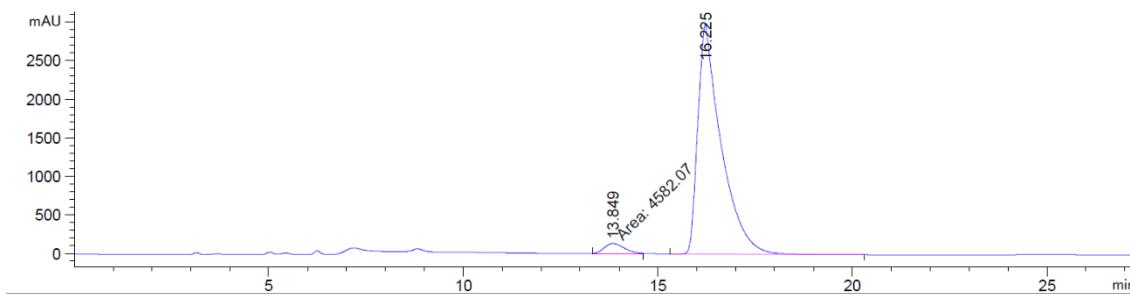
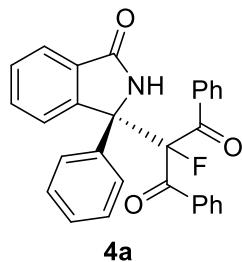


HPLC Traces



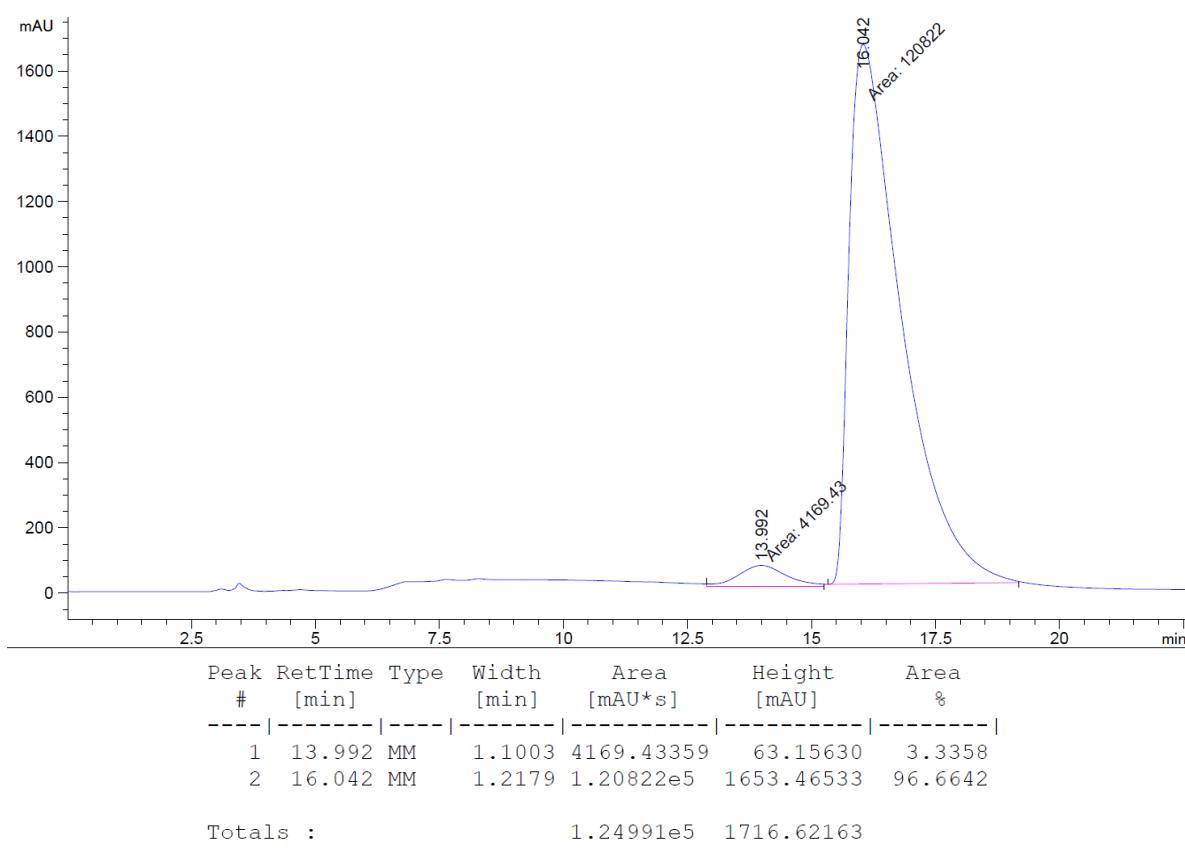
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HPLC chromatogram of **4a** racemic

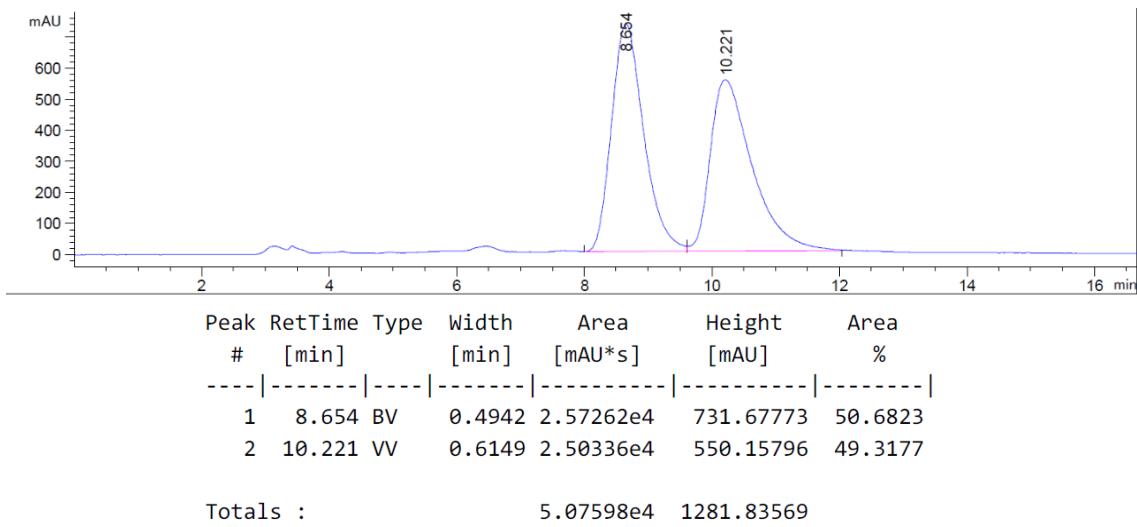


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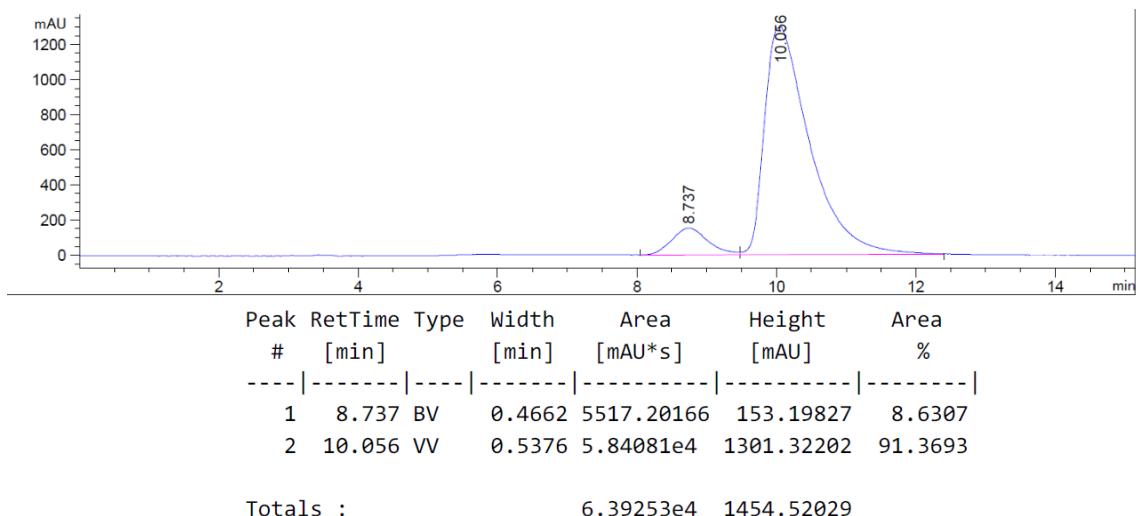
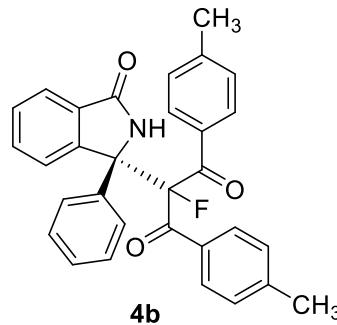
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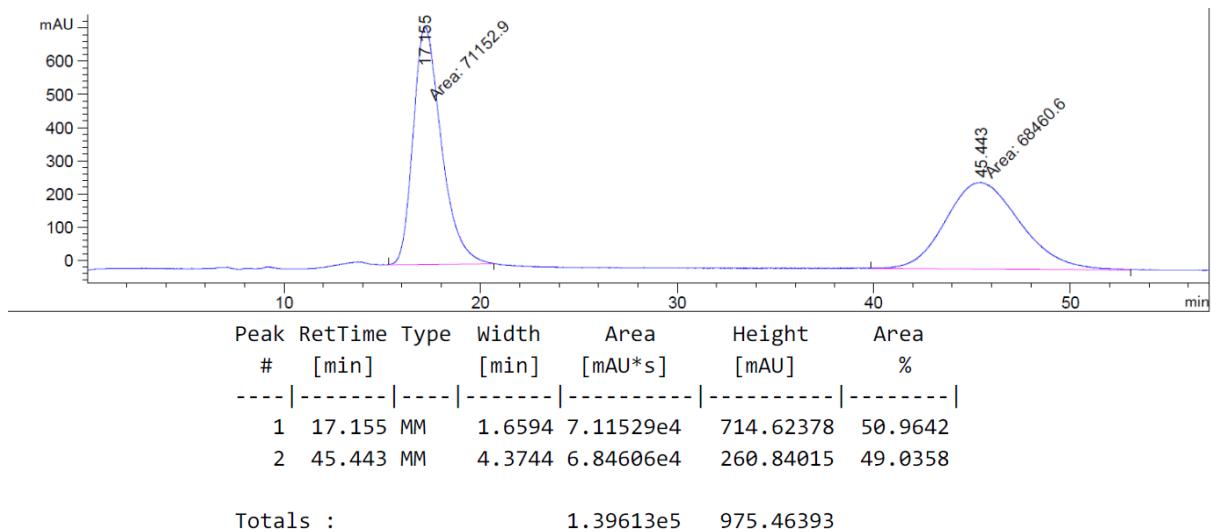
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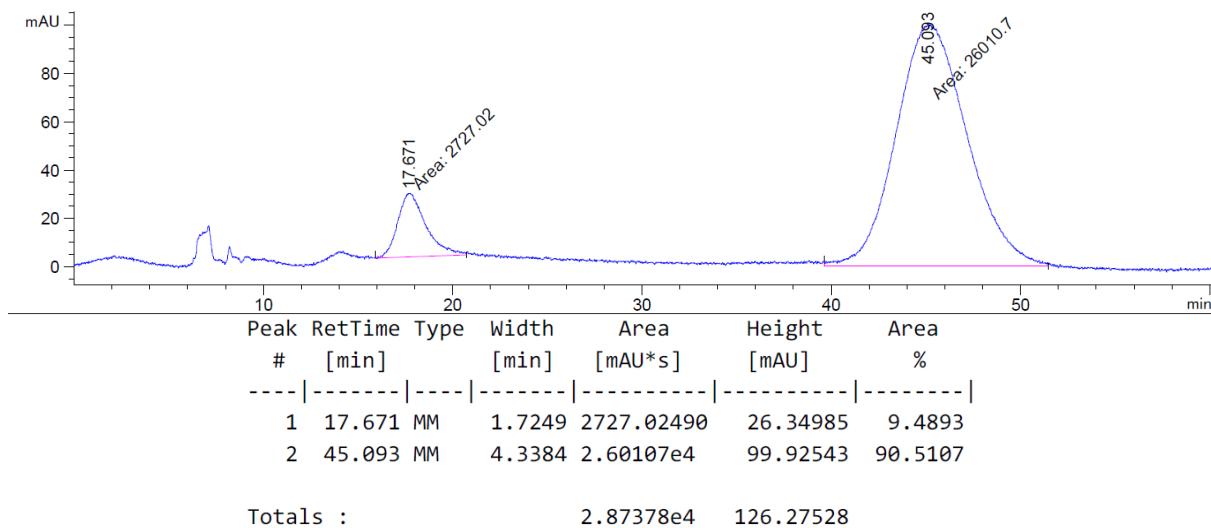
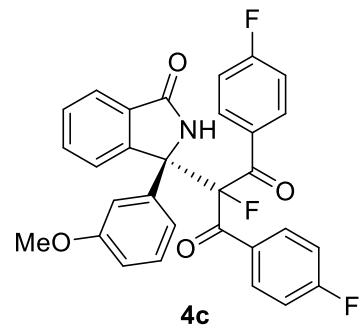
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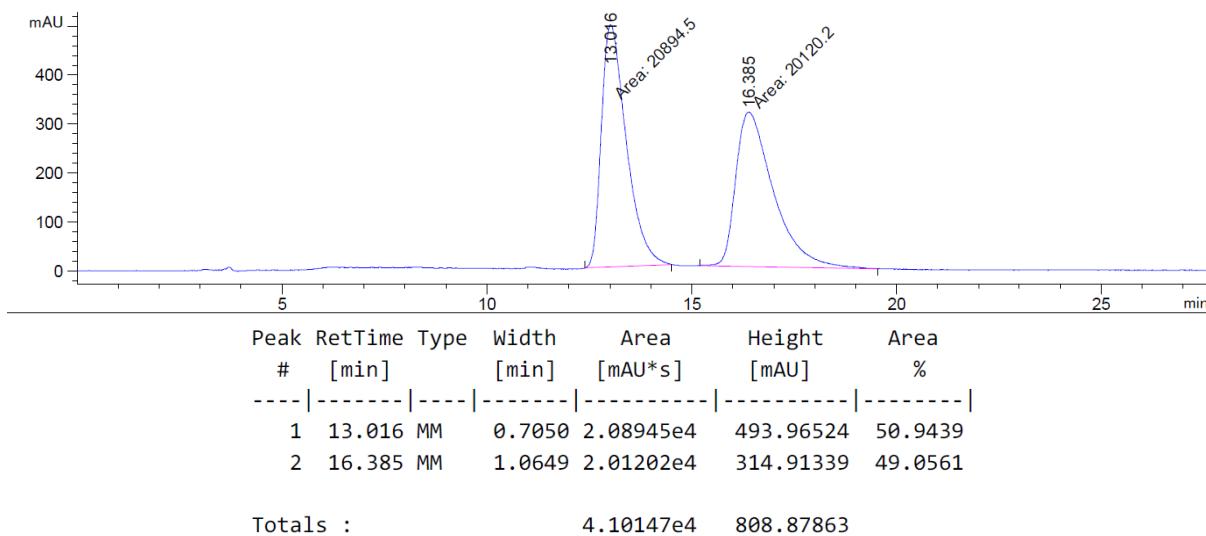
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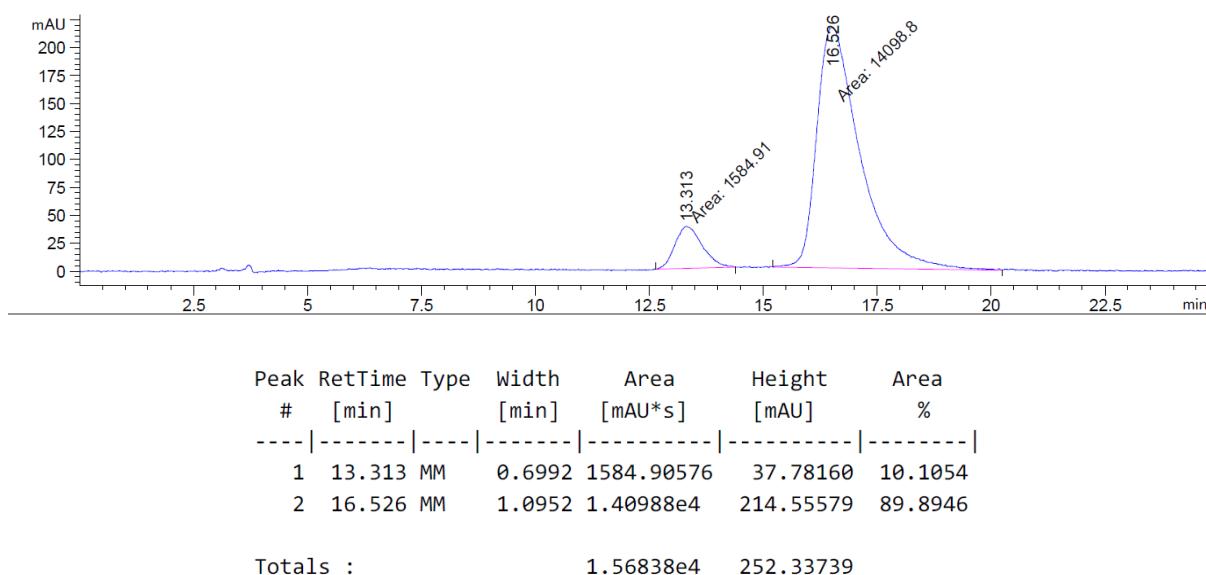
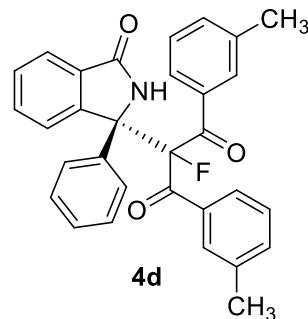
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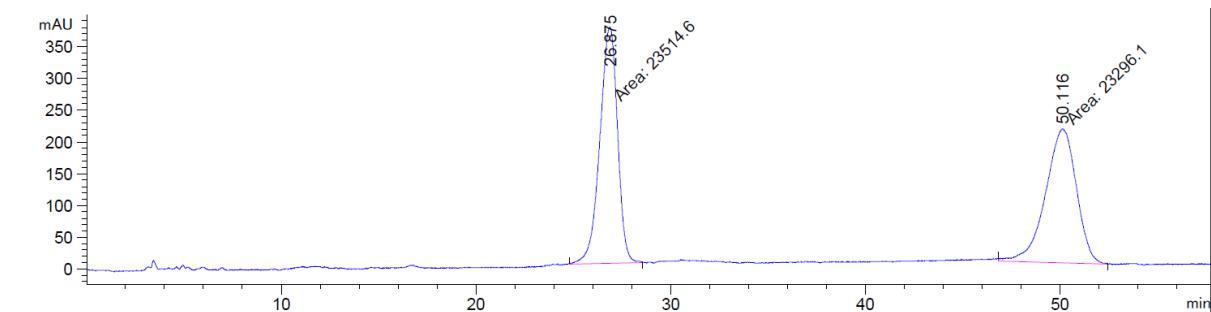
HPLC chromatogram of **4c** chiral



HPLC chromatogram of **4d** racemic

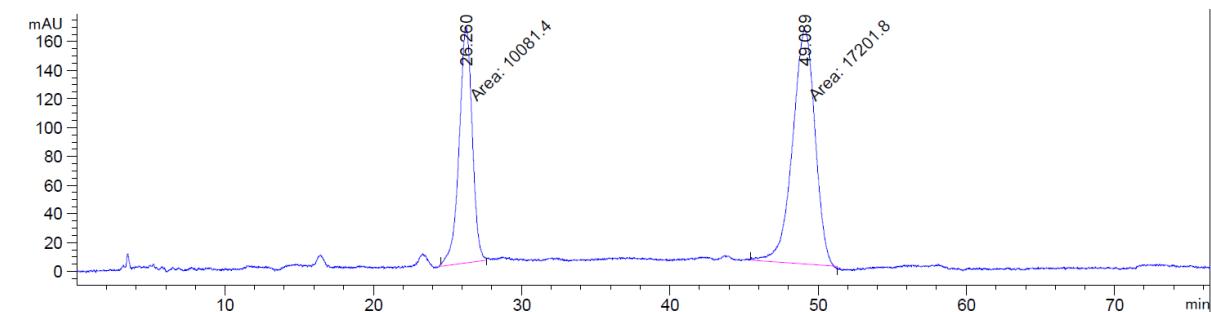
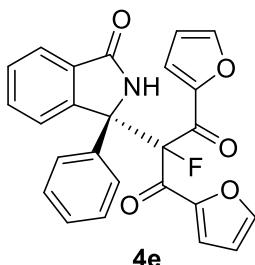


HPLC chromatogram of **4d** chiral



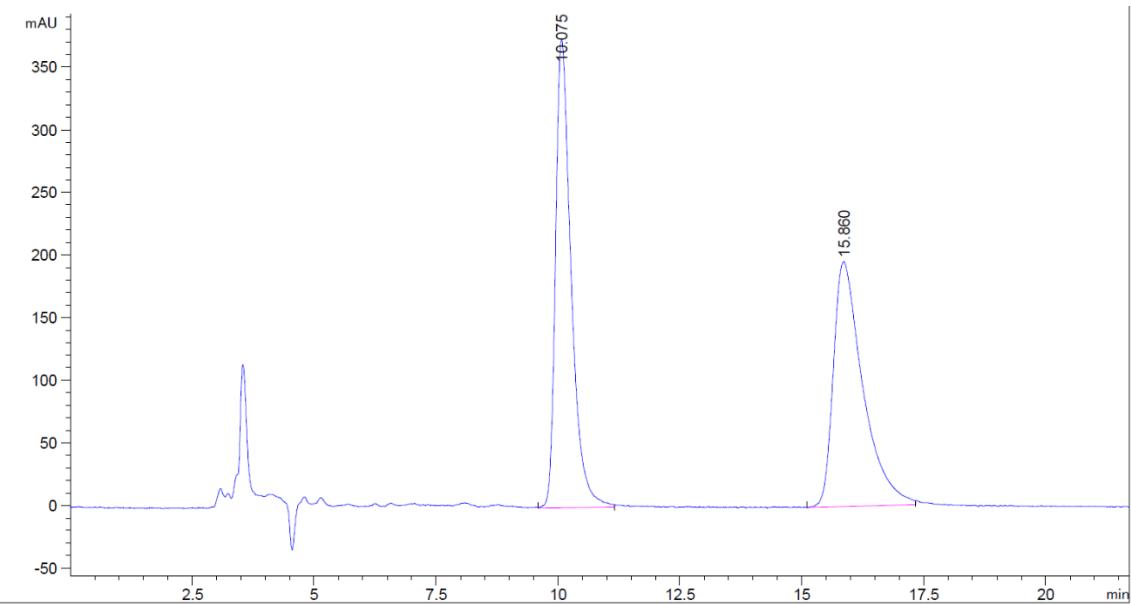
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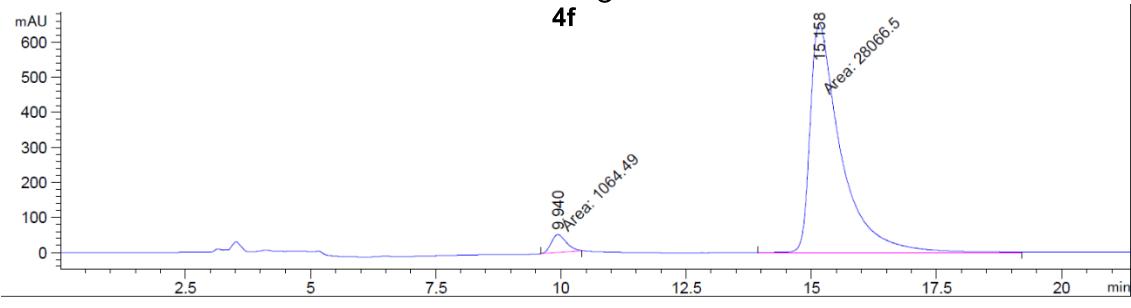
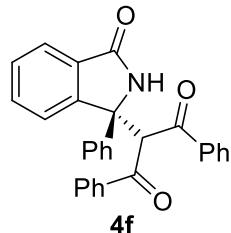


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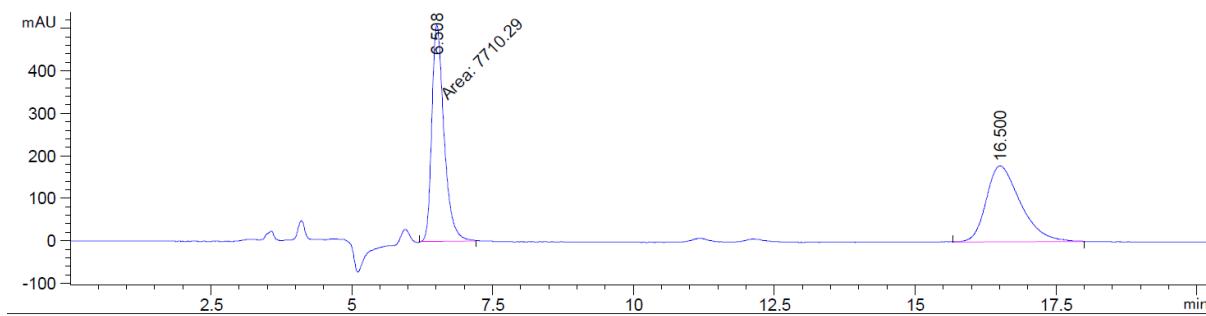


HPLC chromatogram of **4f** racemic



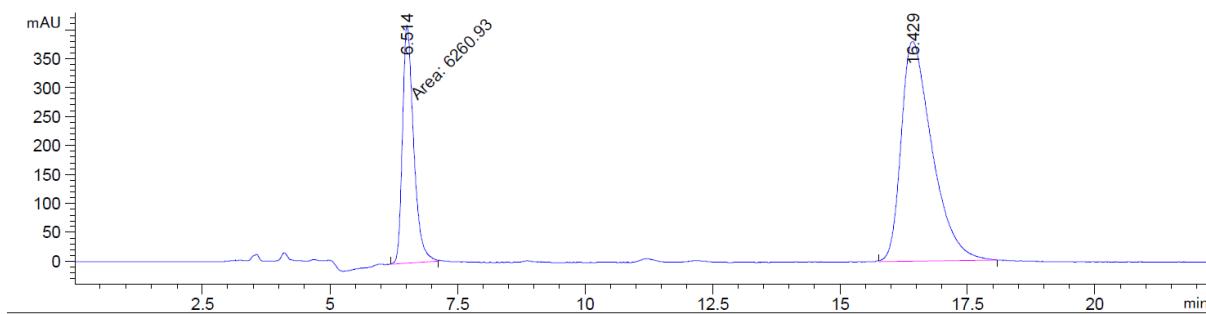
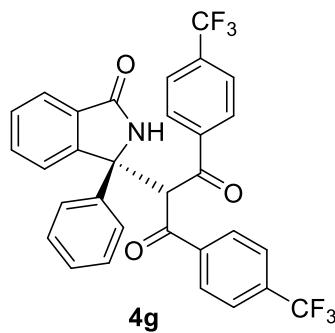
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HPLC chromatogram of **4f** chiral



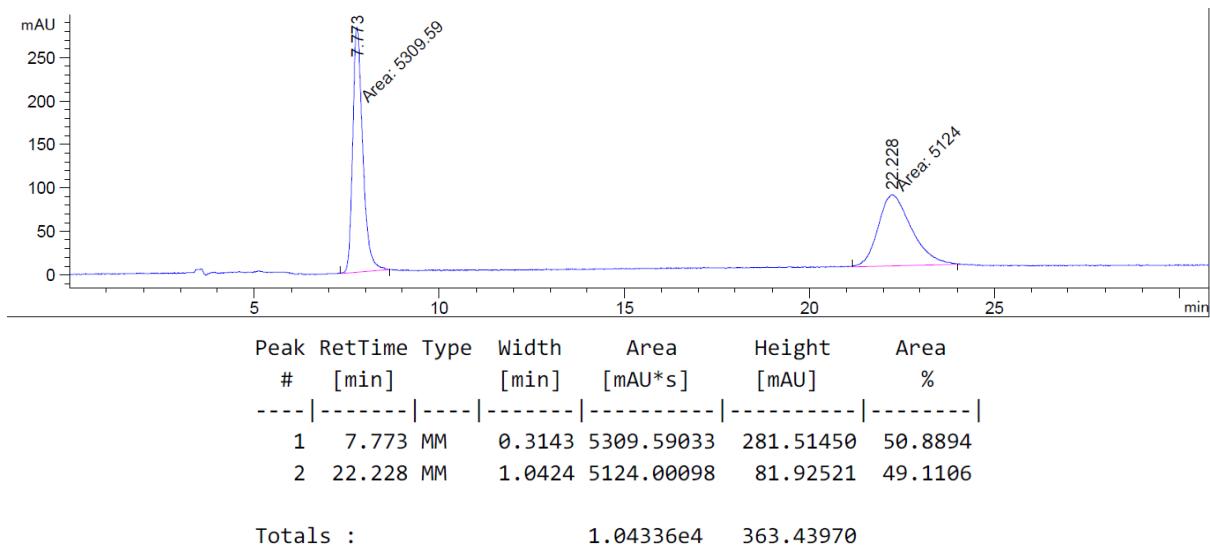
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HPLC chromatogram of **4g** racemic

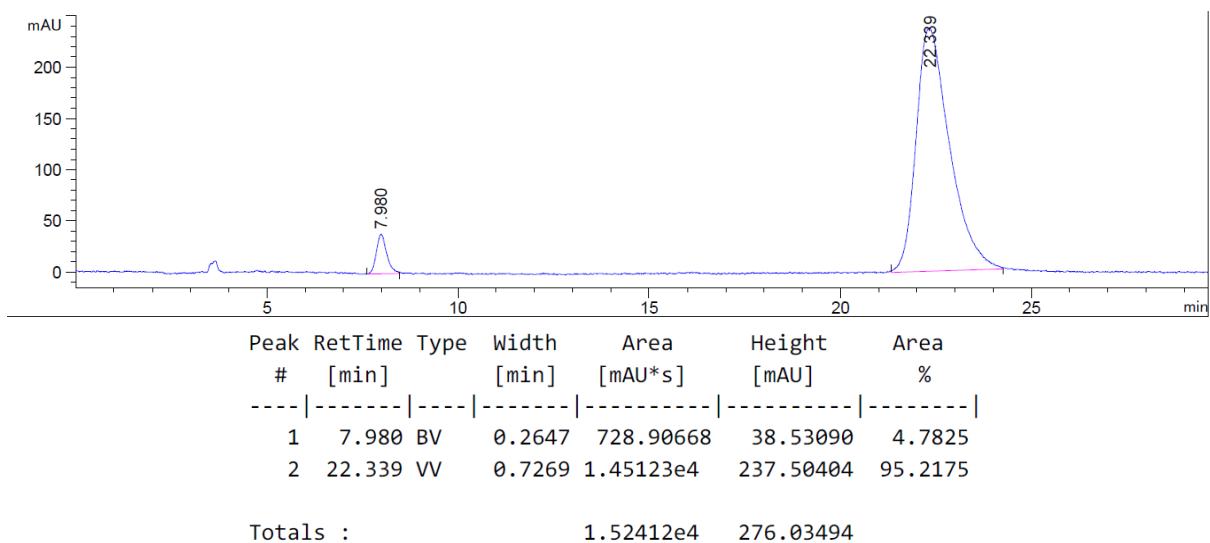
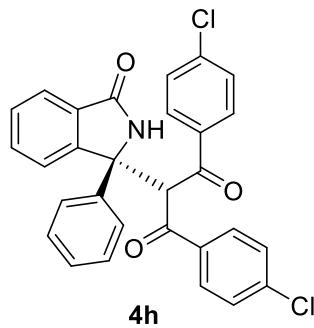


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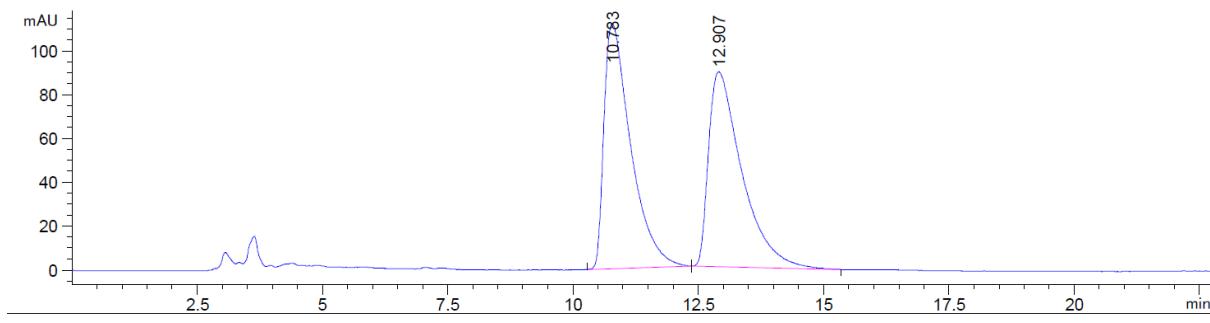
HPLC chromatogram of **4g** chiral



HPLC chromatogram of **4h** racemic

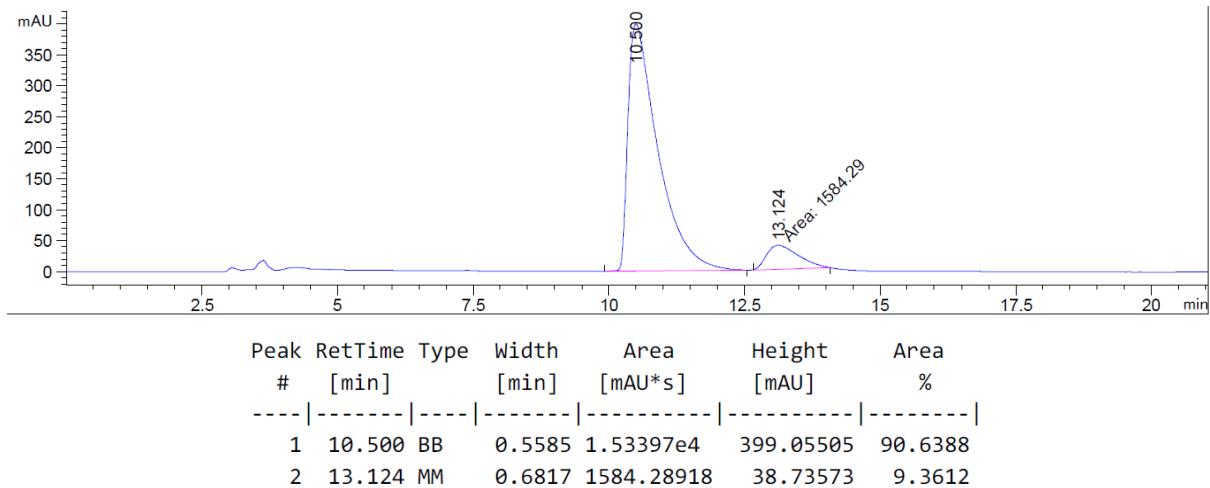
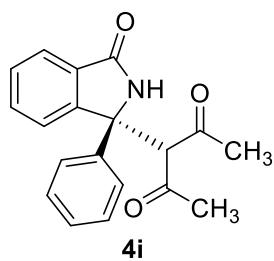


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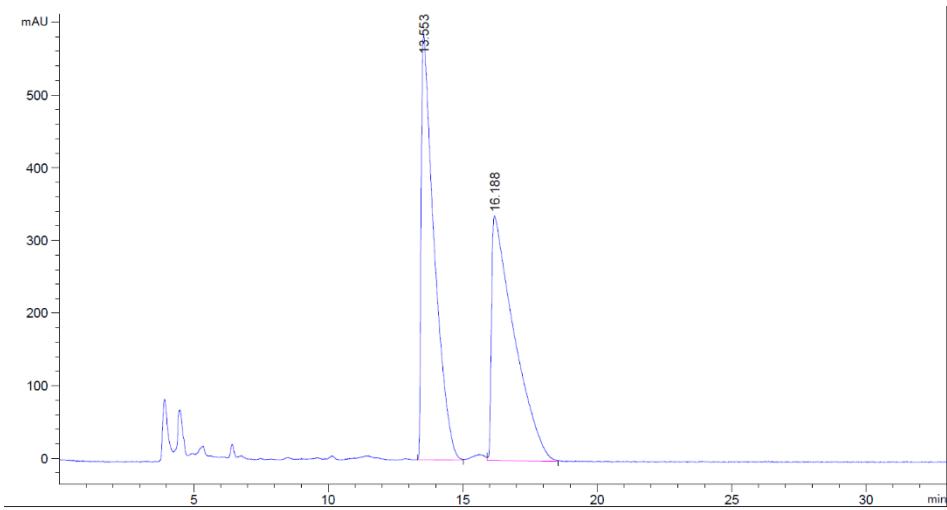
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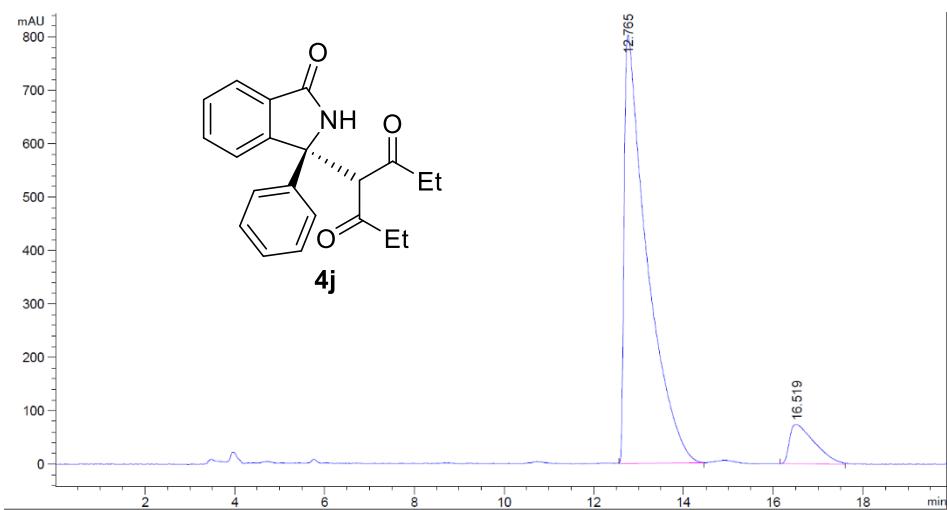
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HPLC chromatogram of **4i** chiral



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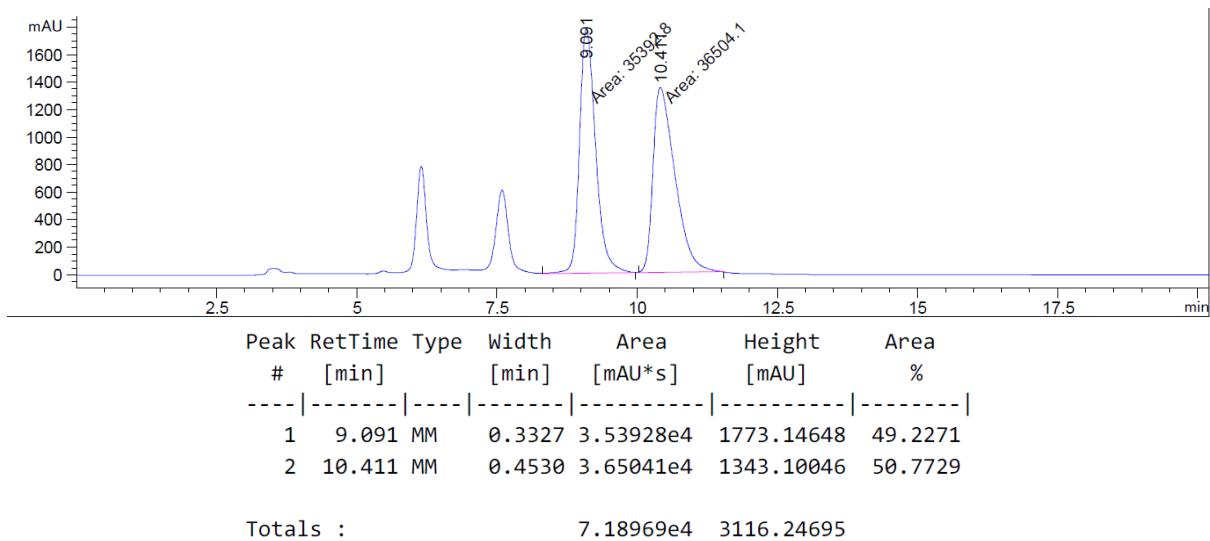
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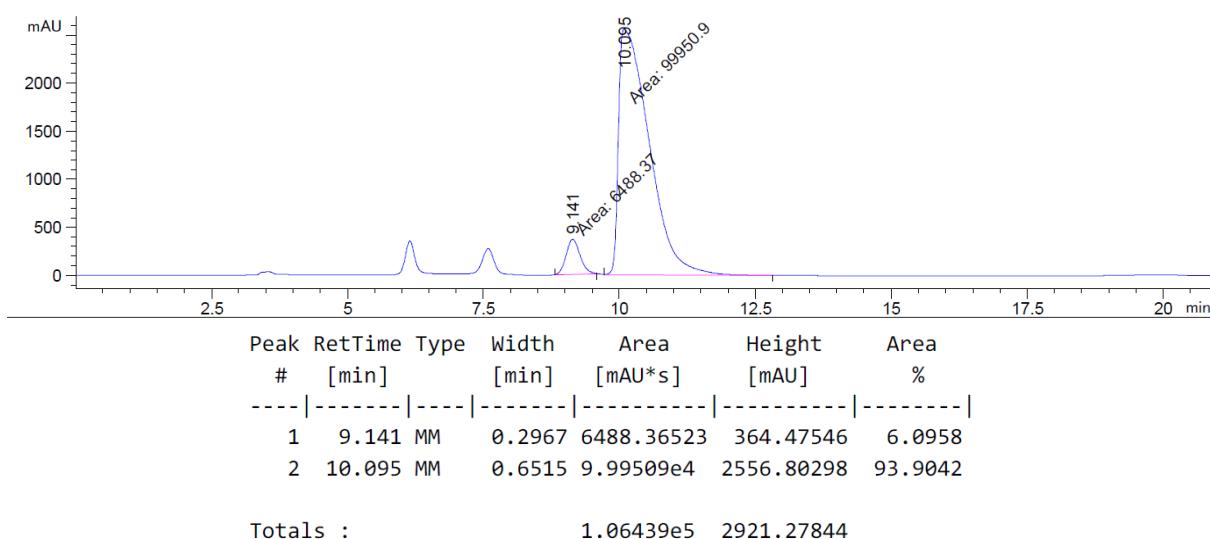
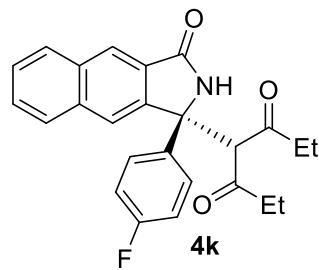
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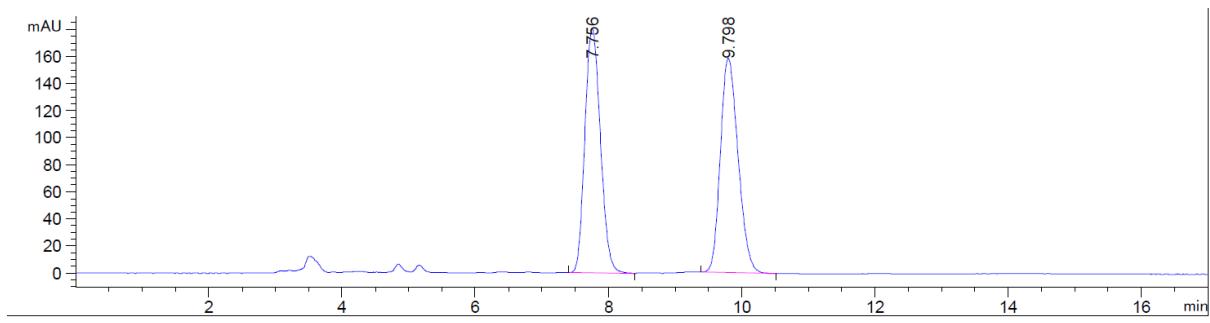
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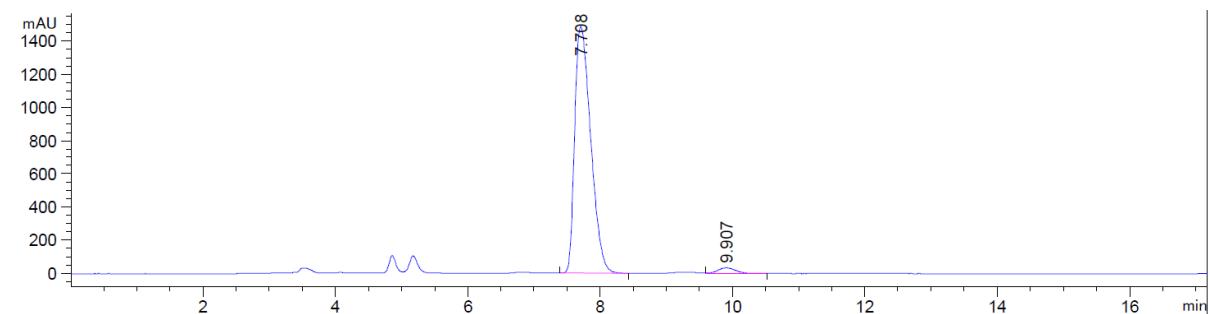
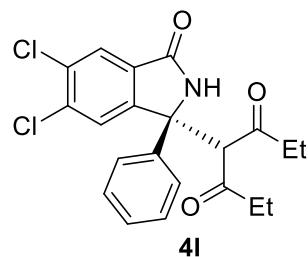


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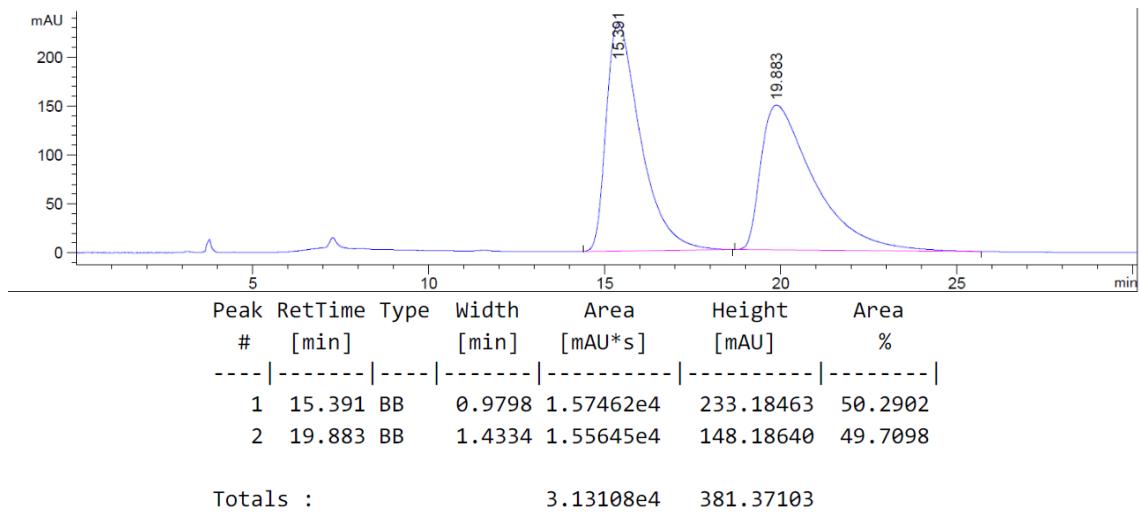
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HPLC chromatogram of **4l** racemic

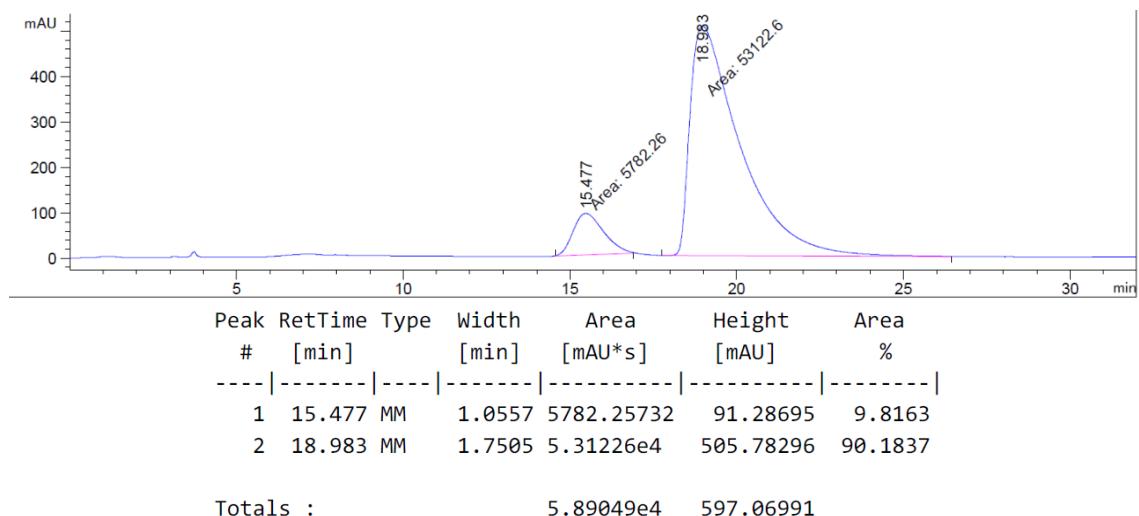
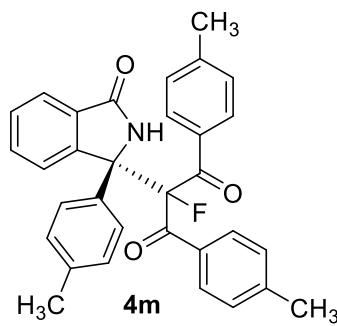


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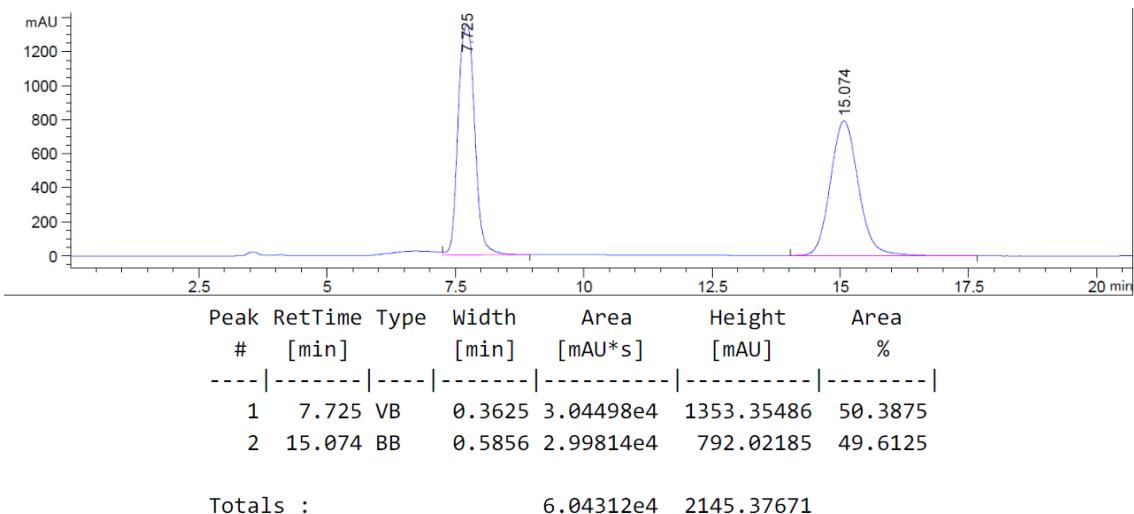
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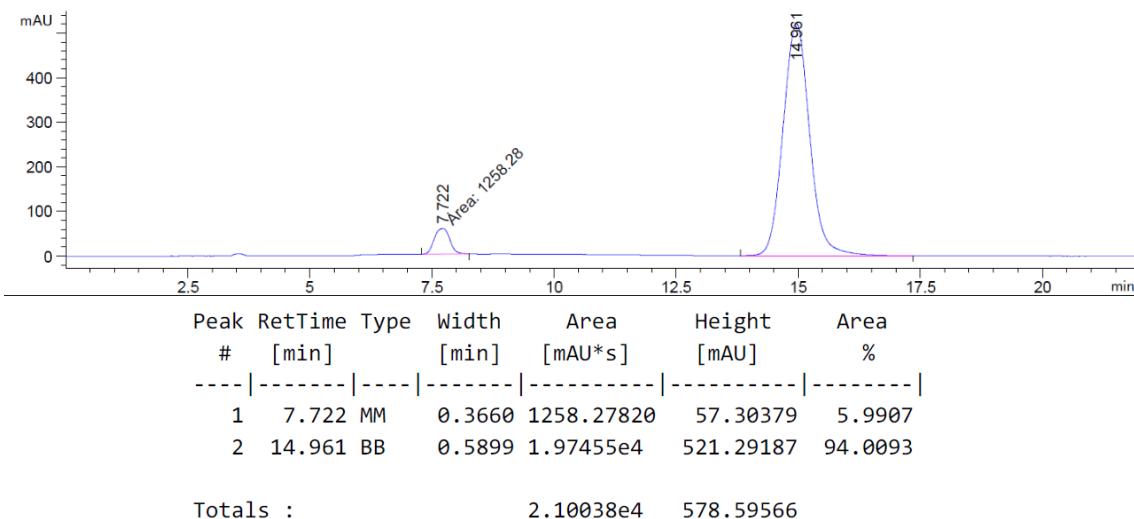
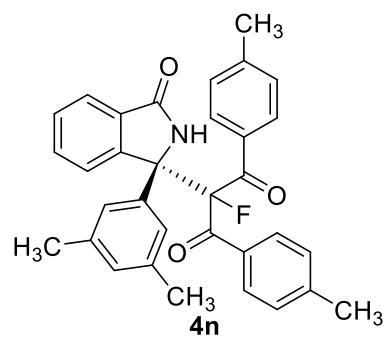
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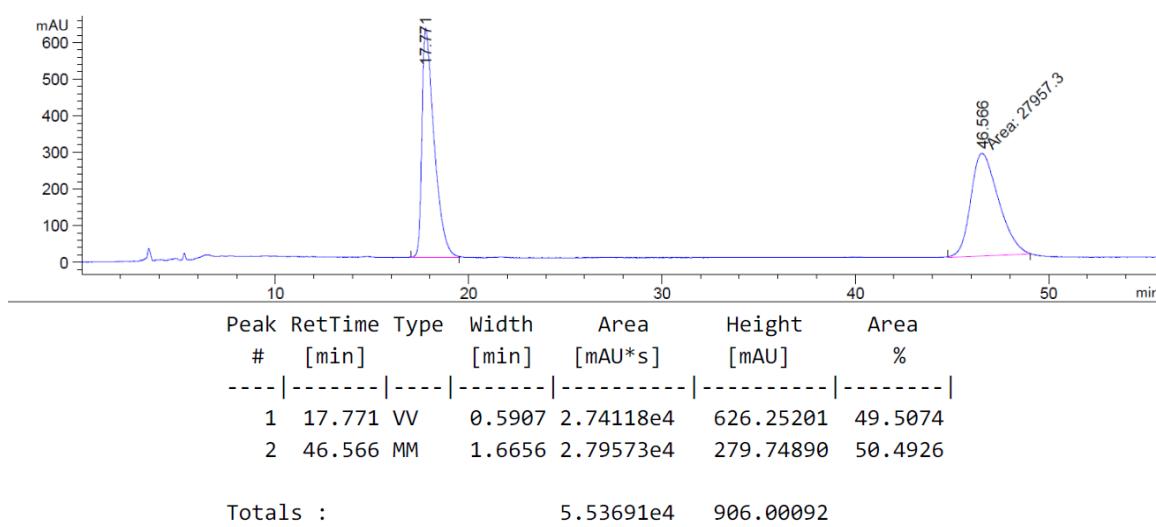
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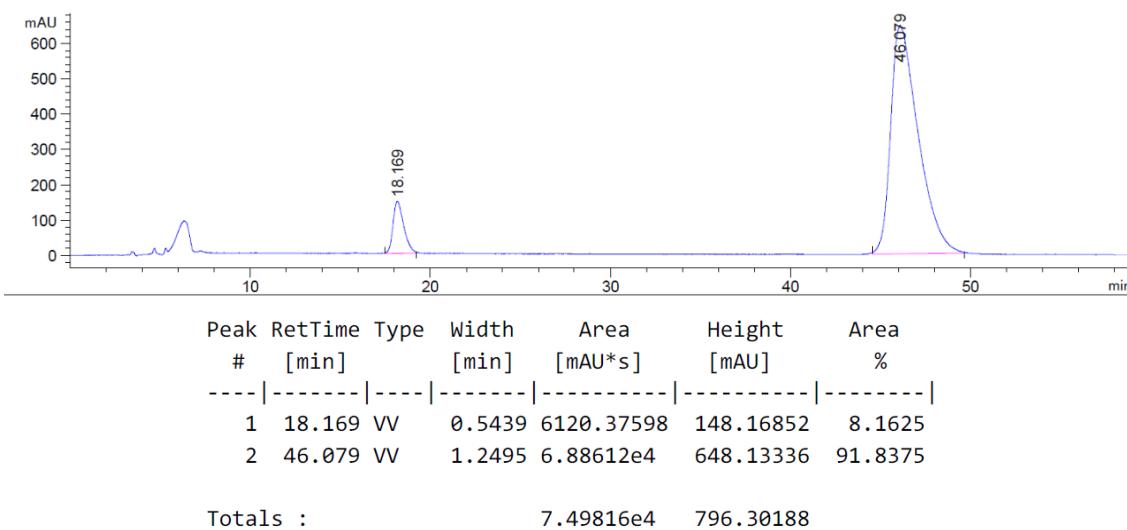
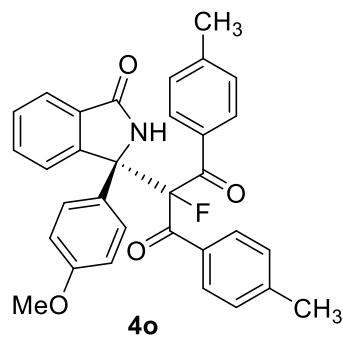
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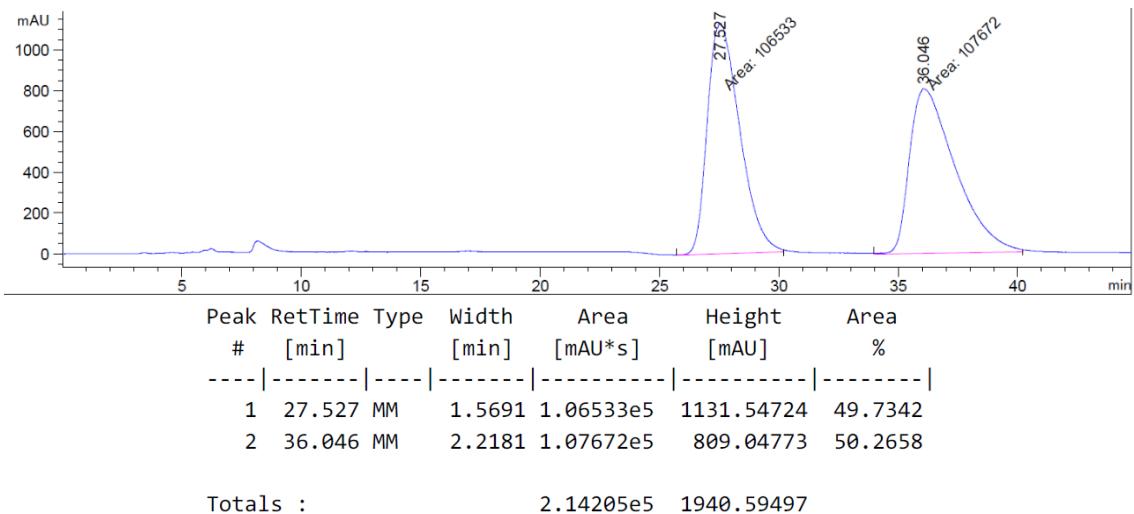
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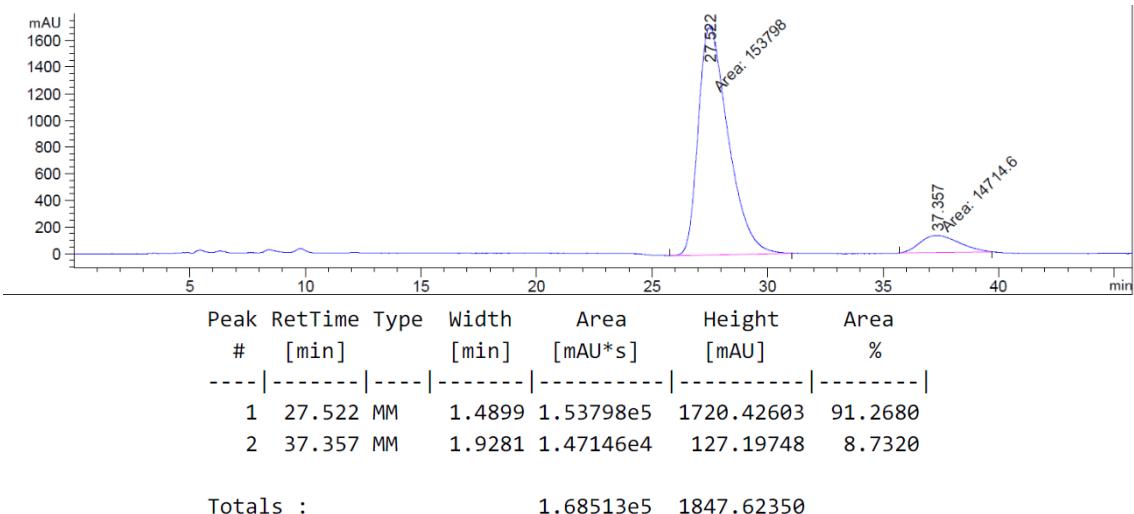
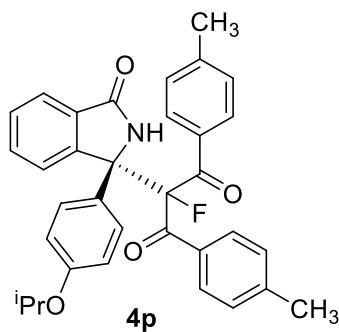
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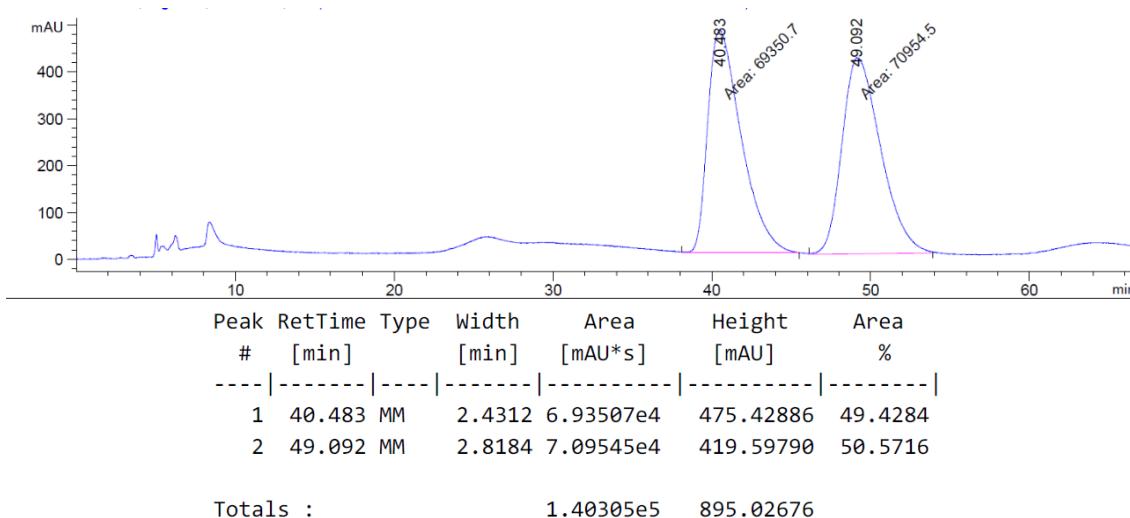
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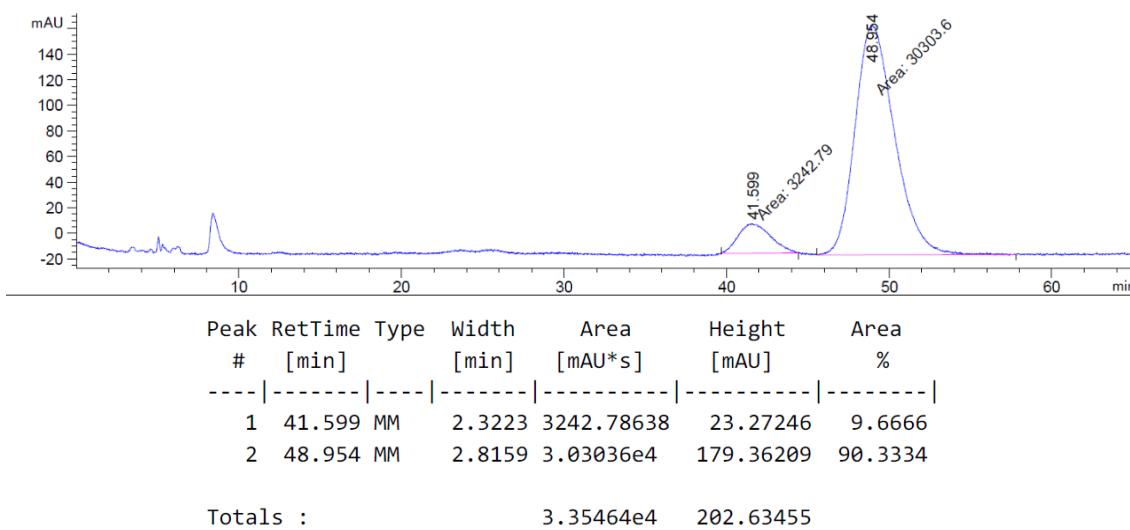
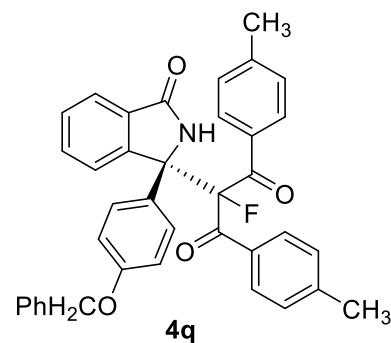
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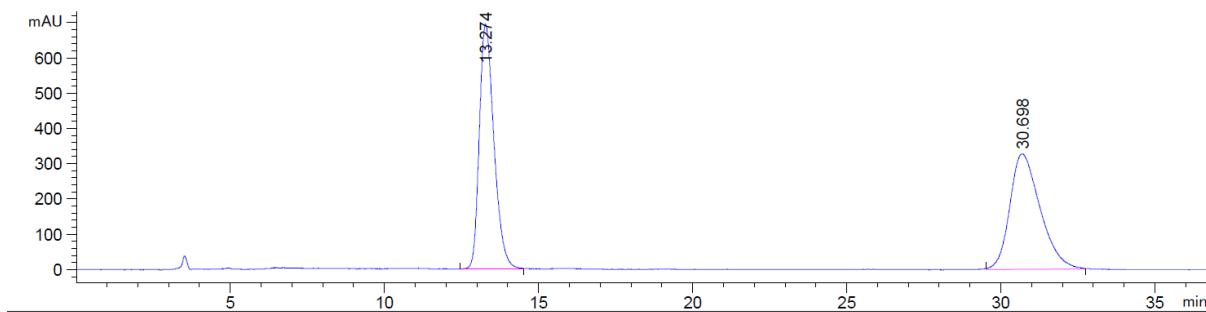
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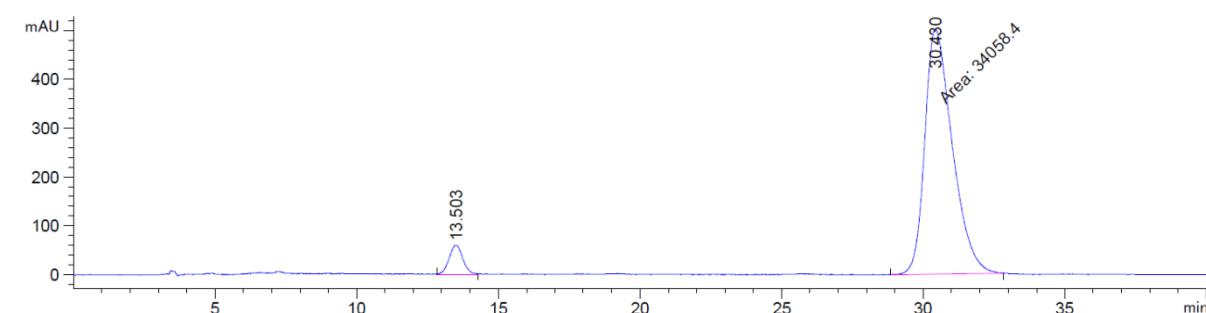
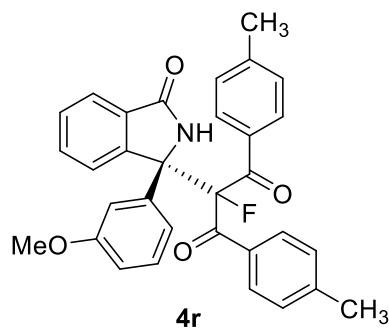


HPLC chromatogram of **4q** chiral



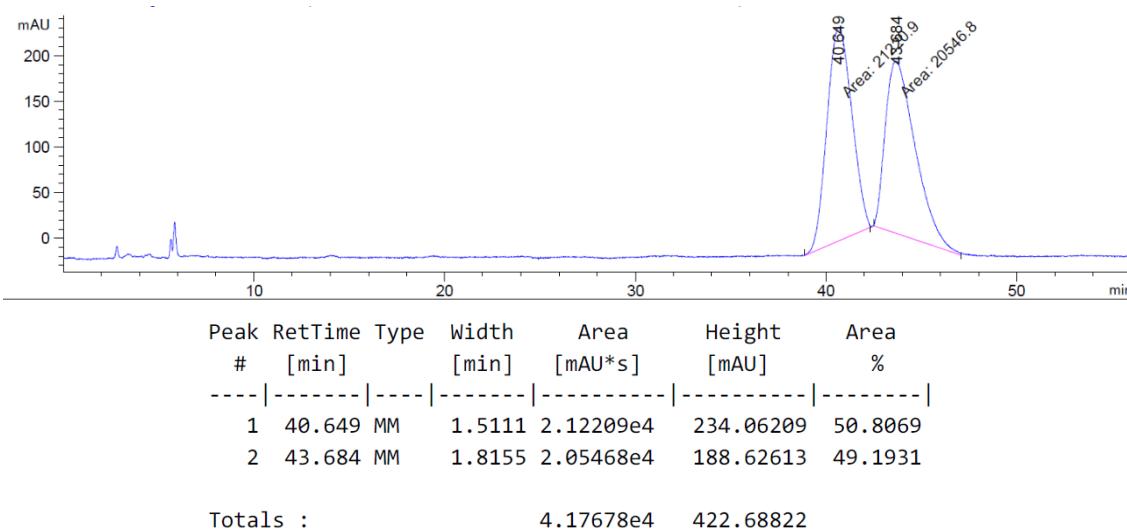
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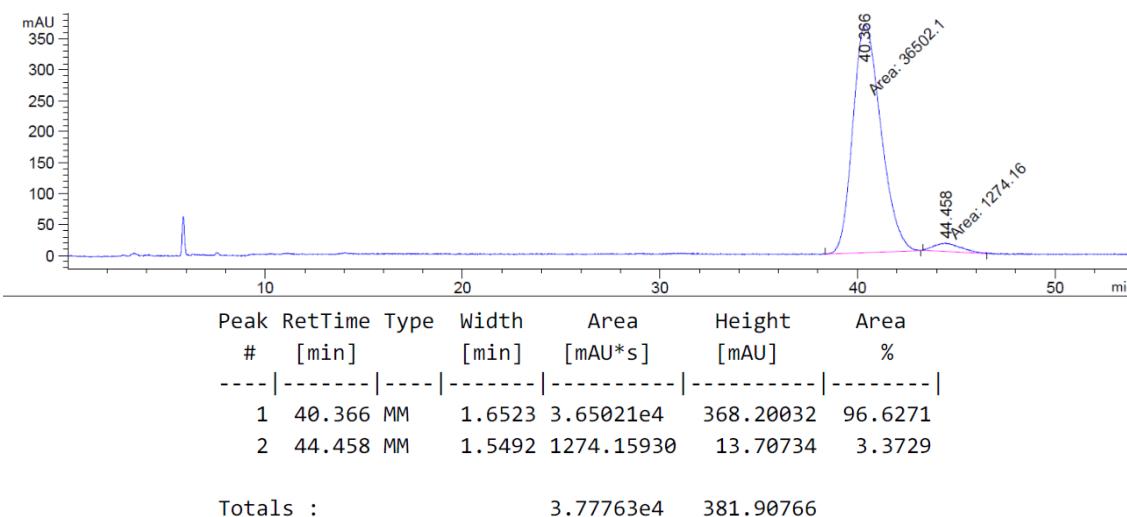
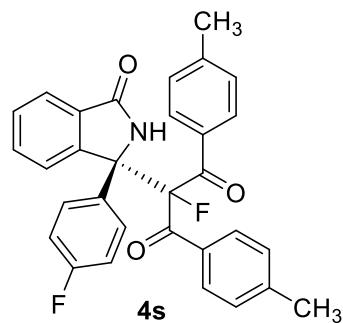


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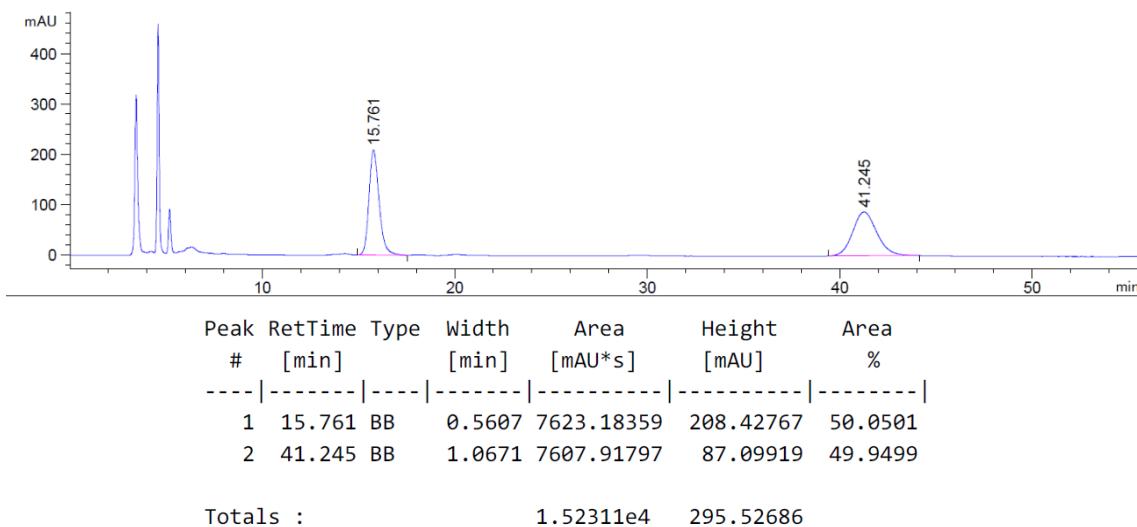
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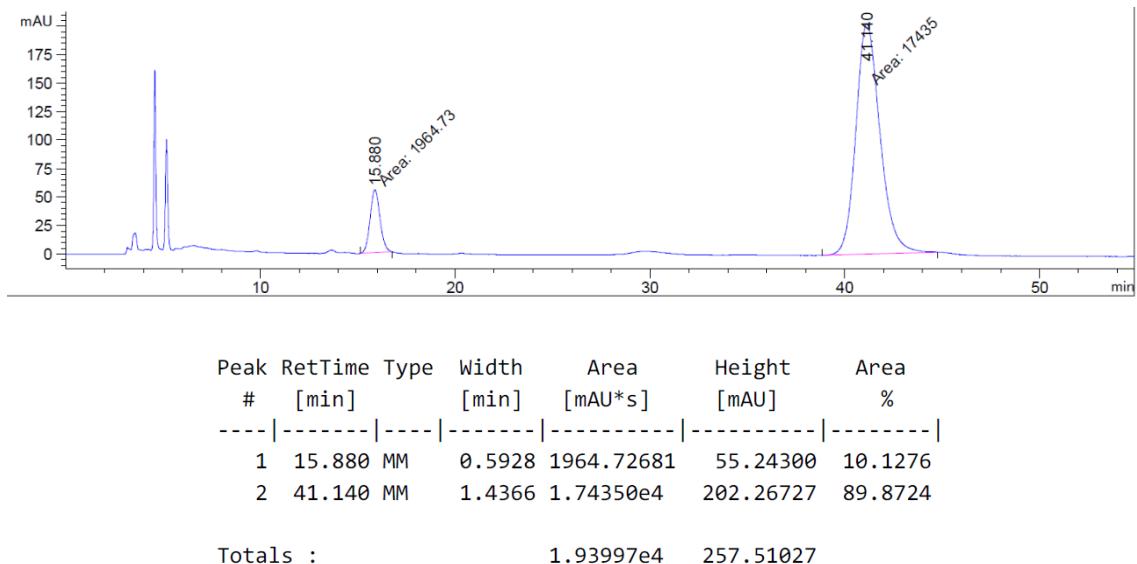
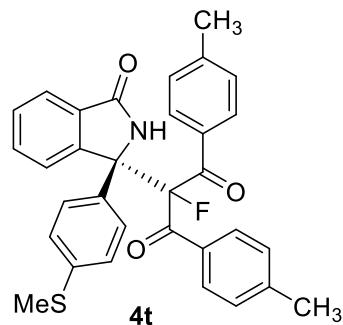
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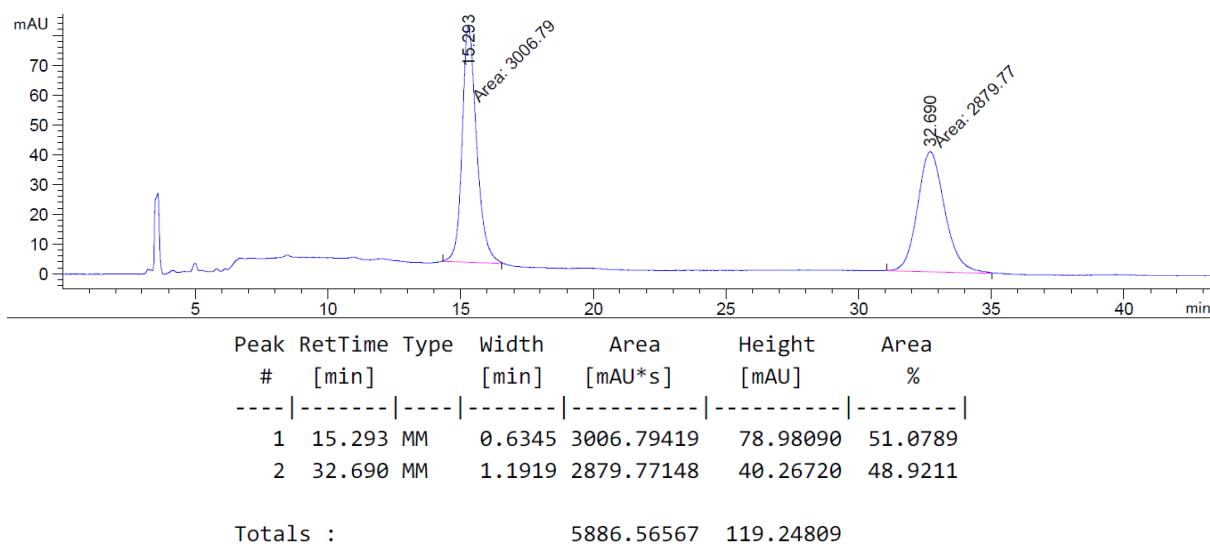
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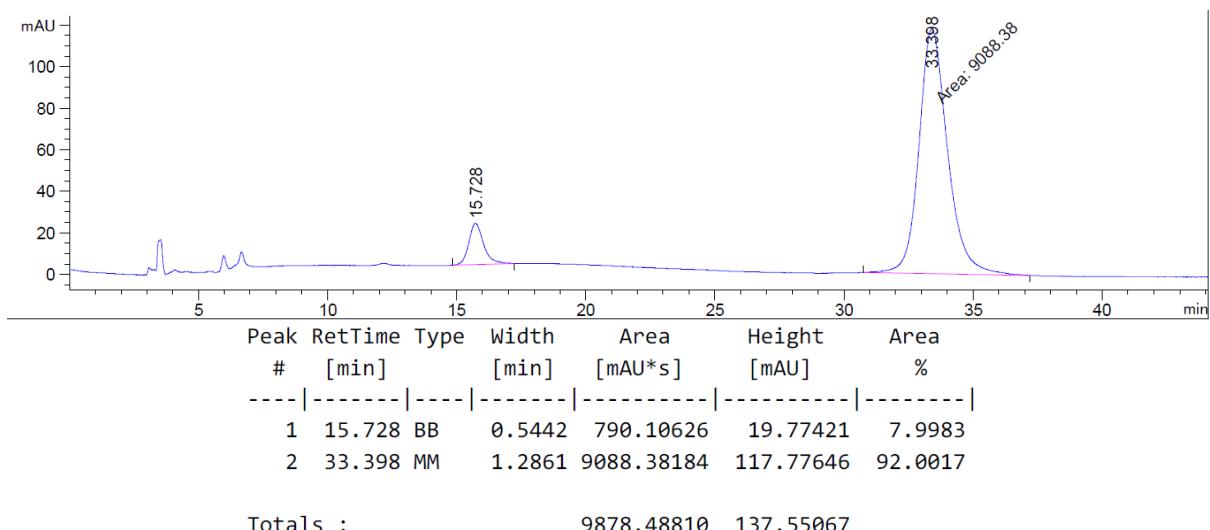
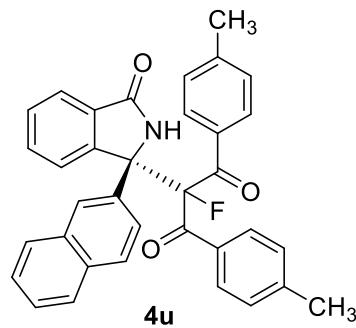
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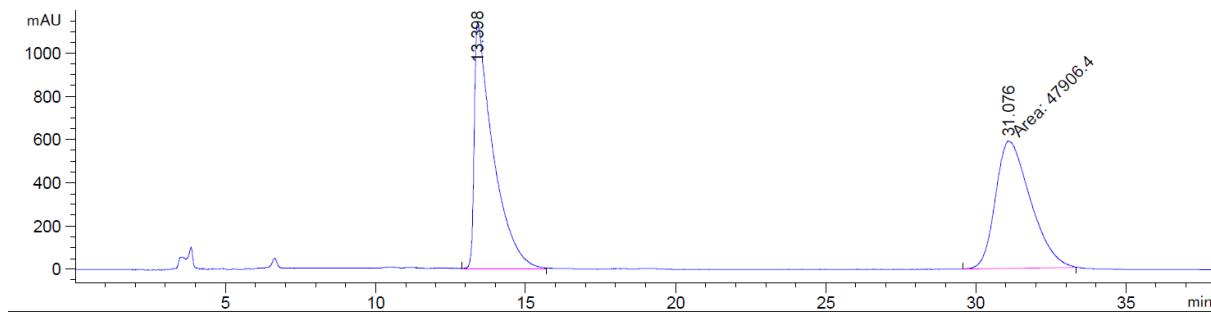
HPLC chromatogram of **4t** chiral



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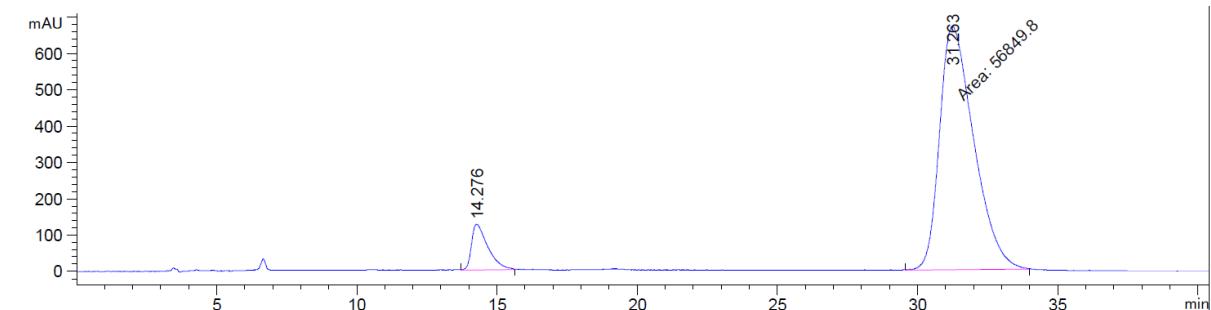
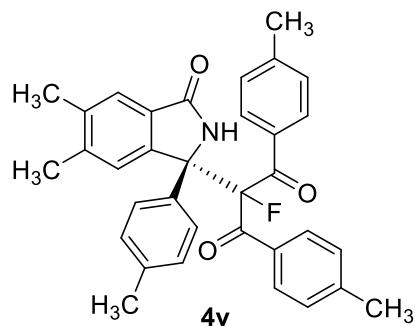


HPLC chromatogram of **4u** chiral



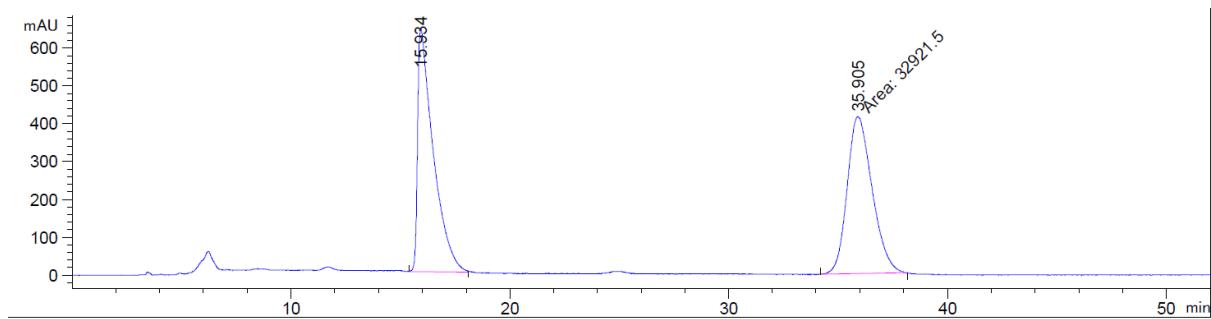
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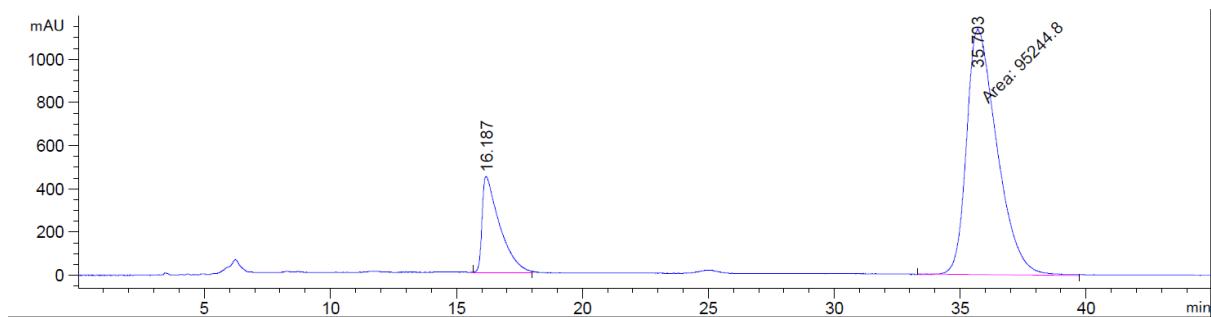
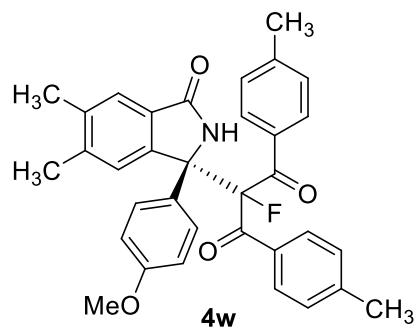
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HPLC chromatogram of **4v** chiral



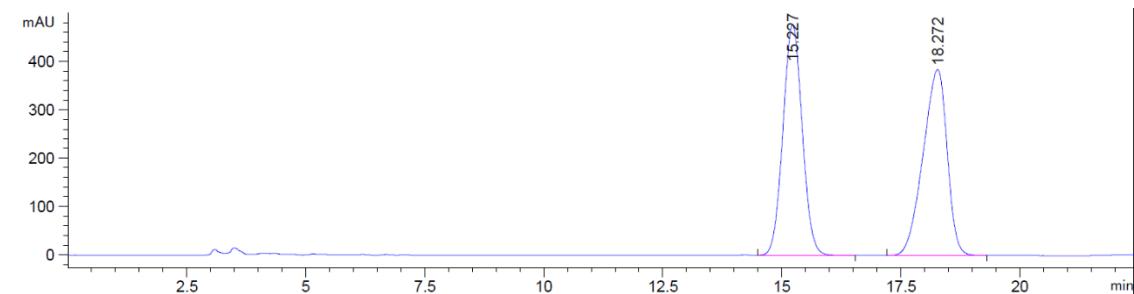
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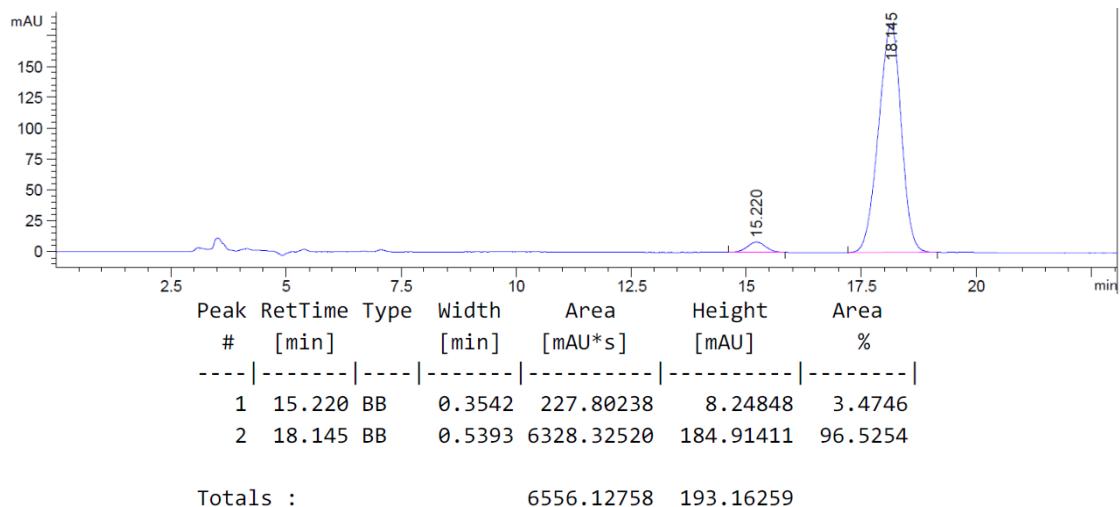
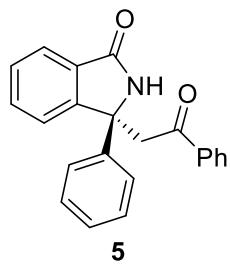


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HPLC chromatogram of **4w** chiral



HPLC chromatogram of **5** racemic



HPLC chromatogram of **5** chiral