

Oxidative cross dehydrogenative coupling between iodoarenes and anilides for C–N bond formation under metal-free conditions

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Experimental Section

Instrumentation and chemicals.

¹H NMR, ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker DPX-400 spectrometer with CDCl₃ as the solvent and TMS as an internal standard, operating at 400 MHz for ¹H NMR and 100 MHz for ¹³C NMR. Melting points were measured by SGW X-4A microscopic apparatus. The X-ray crystallography was measured on Bruker D8 Venture Photon instrument. HRMS was measured by Q Exactive Hybrid Quadrupole-Orbitrap LC/MS spectrometer.

Ethyl acetate and petroleum ether were used for column chromatography without further purification. Other chemicals were obtained from commercial sources and used as received unless otherwise noted.

Experimental procedures

General procedure for the oxidative cross dehydrogenative coupling between iodoarenes and anilides. A mixture of iodoarenes (**1**, 0.3 mmol), anilides (**2**, 0.2 mmol), *m*-CPBA (0.3 mmol) were added into a vial containing a stirring bar and sealed with a Teflon-lined cap. Then HFIP (1 mL) was introduced. The resulting mixture was stirred at 60 °C for 8 h. After reaction, the mixture was added into H₂O (25 mL) and extracted with ethyl acetate (10 mL) for three times. The combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous MgSO₄ and filtered. After removal of the solvent *in vacuo*, column chromatography (ethyl acetate/petroleum ether = 1:6) of the residue afforded the pure product.

Procedure for the hydrolysis of 3aa to 4. A mixture of **3aa** (0.2 mmol), saturated KOH aqueous solution (1 mL) and ethanol (1 mL) were added into a vial containing a stirring bar. The resulting mixture was stirred at 70 °C for 8 h. After reaction, the mixture was added into H₂O (25 mL) and extracted with ethyl acetate (10 mL) for three times. The combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous MgSO₄ and filtered. After removal of the solvent *in vacuo*, column chromatography (ethyl acetate/petroleum ether=1:10) of the residue afforded the pure product.

Procedure for the synthesis of 5 from 3aa. A mixture of **3aa** (0.2 mmol), styrene (0.4 mmol), Pd(OAc)₂ (5 mol%), PPh₃ (10 mol%), Na₂CO₃ (0.3 mmol) were added into a vial containing a stirring bar and sealed with a Teflon-lined cap. Then DMF (2 mL) was introduced. The resulting mixture was stirred at 100 °C for 4 h. After reaction, the mixture was added into H₂O (25 mL) and extracted with ethyl acetate (10 mL) for three times. The combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous MgSO₄ and filtered. After removal of the solvent *in vacuo*, column chromatography (ethyl acetate/petroleum ether=1:6) of the residue afforded the pure product.

Procedure for the synthesis of 6 from 3aa. A mixture of **3aa** (0.2 mmol), phenylboronic acid (0.4 mmol), Pd(OAc)₂ (5 mol%), PPh₃ (10 mol%), K₃PO₄ (0.5 mmol) were added into a vial containing a stirring bar and sealed with a Teflon-lined cap. Then toluene (2 mL) was introduced. The resulting mixture was stirred at 80 °C for 2 h. After reaction, the mixture was added into H₂O (25 mL) and extracted with ethyl acetate (10 mL) for three times. The combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous MgSO₄ and filtered. After removal of the solvent *in vacuo*, column chromatography (ethyl acetate/petroleum ether=1:6) of the residue afforded the pure product

Procedure for the synthesis of 7 from 3aa. A mixture of **3aa** (0.2 mmol), phenylacetylene (0.3 mmol), PdCl₂ (5 mol%), pyrrolidine (1.0 mmol) were added into a vial containing a stirring bar and sealed with a Teflon-lined cap. Then H₂O (2 mL) was introduced. The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 24 h. After reaction, the

mixture was added into H₂O (25 mL) and extracted with ethyl acetate (10 mL) for three times. The combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous MgSO₄ and filtered. After removal of the solvent *in vacuo*, column chromatography (ethyl acetate/petroleum ether=1:6) of the residue afforded the pure product.

Characterization Data

***N*-(4-iodophenyl)-*N*-phenylacetamide (3aa)¹**

yellow solid, 56.6 mg, 84%, mp 88–90 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 2.05 (s, 3H), 7.00–7.03. (m, 2H), 7.24 (d, *J* = 7.42 Hz, 2H), 7.39 (s, 3H), 7.65 (s, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 23.9, 90.7, 126.7, 128.2, 129.8, 137.7, 138.1, 142.6, 142.8, 170.4. HRMS–ESI(*m/z*): calcd for C₁₄H₁₃INO⁺ (*M*+H⁺): 338.0036, found 338.0042.

***N*-(4-iodo-3-methylphenyl)-*N*-phenylacetamide (3ba)**

yellow solid, 65.3 mg, 93%, mp 90–92 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 2.05 (s, 3H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 6.79 (d, *J* = 7.96 Hz, 1H), 7.16 (s, 1H), 7.24 (d, *J* = 8.20 Hz, 3H), 7.38 (s, 2H), 7.76 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 24.3, 28.2, 98.2, 125.7, 127.9, 129.6, 139.5, 139.8, 142.1, 142.5, 142.8, 143.1, 170.3. HRMS–ESI(*m/z*): calcd for C₁₅H₁₅INO⁺ (*M*+H⁺): 352.0193, found 352.0201.

***N*-(3-ethyl-4-iodophenyl)-*N*-phenylacetamide (3ca)**

yellow oil, 64.3 mg, 88%; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 1.17 (t, *J* = 7.32 Hz, 3H), 2.06 (s, 3H), 2.67–2.69 (m, 2H), 6.80 (dd, *J*₁ = 2.48 Hz, *J*₂ = 8.36 Hz, 1H), 7.14 (d, *J* = 2.28 Hz, 1H), 7.25 (d, *J* = 7.72 Hz, 3H), 7.38 (s, 2H), 7.76 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 14.4, 23.9, 34.2, 97.2, 125.7, 126.4, 127.4, 128.4, 129.3, 129.8, 139.6, 143.2, 147.2, 170.4. HRMS–ESI(*m/z*): calcd for C₁₆H₁₇INO⁺ (*M*+H⁺): 366.0349, found 366.0451.

***N*-(4-iodo-3-isopropylphenyl)-*N*-phenylacetamide (3da)**

yellow oil, 60.7 mg, 80%; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 1.18 (d, *J* = 6.24 Hz, 6H), 2.05 (s, 3H), 3.13–3.16 (m, 1H), 6.79 (dd, *J*₁ = 2.60 Hz, *J*₂ = 8.41 Hz, 1H), 7.16 (d, *J* = 2.52 Hz, 1H), 7.24–7.26 (m, 2H), 7.38 (s, 3H), 7.78 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 23.0, 23.9, 38.1, 97.5, 124.0, 125.6, 126.4, 127.6, 128.4, 129.5, 139.8, 140.6, 142.8, 170.4. HRMS–ESI(*m/z*): calcd for C₁₇H₁₉INO⁺ (*M*+H⁺): 380.0506, found 380.0501.

***N*-(6-iodo-[1,1'-biphenyl]-3-yl)-*N*-phenylacetamide (3ea)**

yellow oil, 33.1 mg, 40%; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 2.07 (s, 3H), 6.99 (dd, *J* = 2.52 Hz, *J* = 8.44 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (d, *J* = 2.36 Hz, 1H), 7.25–7.31 (m, 5H), 7.38–7.40 (m, 5H), 7.91 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 23.9, 95.3, 126.7, 126.9, 127.4, 127.9, 128.0, 128.4, 128.9, 129.2, 129.8, 139.8, 140.1, 142.9, 143.4, 170.4. HRMS–ESI(*m/z*): calcd for C₂₀H₁₇INO⁺ (*M*+H⁺): 414.0349, found 414.0352.

***N*-(3-(bromomethyl)-4-iodophenyl)-*N*-phenylacetamide (3fa)**

yellow oil, 38.6 mg, 45%; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 2.06 (s, 3H), 4.52 (s, 2H), 6.89 (dd, *J* = 2.55 Hz, *J* = 8.49 Hz, 1H), 7.25 (d, *J* = 8.98 Hz, 2H), 7.37–7.46 (m, 4H), 7.79 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 24.0, 38.3, 96.1, 127.9, 128.3, 128.9, 129.9, 131.0, 132.8, 140.4, 142.5, 143.5, 170.4. HRMS–ESI(*m/z*): calcd for C₁₅H₁₄BrINO⁺ (*M*+H⁺): 429.9298, found 429.9295.

***N*-(4-iodo-3-(methoxymethyl)phenyl)-*N*-phenylacetamide (3ga)**

yellow oil, 48 mg, 63%; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 2.06 (s, 3H), 3.44 (s, 3H), 4.38 (s, 2H), 6.91 (dd, *J*₁ = 2.51 Hz, *J*₂ = 8.35 Hz 1H), 7.25 (d, *J* = 8.03 Hz, 2H), 7.36–7.37 (m, 4H), 7.77 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 23.9, 58.7, 78.0, 93.8, 126.6, 127.0, 128.1, 128.5, 128.9, 129.4, 139.6, 141.3, 142.9, 170.4. HRMS–ESI(*m/z*): calcd for C₁₆H₁₇INO₂⁺ (*M*+H⁺): 382.0298, found 382.0296.

2-iodo-5-(*N*-phenylacetamido)benzyl acetate (3ha)

yellow oil, 49.9 mg, 61%; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 2.07 (s, 3H), 2.11 (s, 3H), 5.05 (s, 2H), 6.95 (dd, *J*₁ = 2.62 Hz, *J*₂ = 8.43 Hz, 1H), 7.21–7.26 (m, 2H), 7.30–7.41 (m, 4H), 7.80 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 20.9, 24.0, 69.9, 94.5, 119.8, 124.1, 127.5, 128.4, 128.9, 139.9, 142.6, 143.2, 144.8, 170.5. HRMS–ESI(*m/z*): calcd for C₁₇H₁₇INO₃⁺ (*M*+H⁺): 410.0248, found 410.0251.

***N*-(4-iodo-3, 5-dimethylphenyl)-*N*-phenylacetamide (3ia)**

yellow oil, 46 mg, 63%; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 2.05 (s, 3H), 2.43 (s, 6H), 6.98 (s, 2H), 7.25–7.27 (m, 3H), 7.37 (s, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 23.8, 29.7, 125.1, 126.6, 127.5, 128.6, 129.7, 138.9, 142.9, 170.4. HRMS–ESI(*m/z*): calcd for C₁₆H₁₇INO⁺ (*M*+H⁺): 366.0349, found 366.0345.

***N*-(3-ethyl-4-iodo-5-methylphenyl)-*N*-phenylacetamide (3ja)**

yellow oil, 45.5 mg, 60%; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 1.18 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 2.06 (s, 3H), 2.44 (s, 3H), 2.75–2.88 (m, 2H), 6.95–6.99 (m, 2H), 7.25–7.37 (m, 5H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 14.4, 23.8, 30.0, 35.3, 123.8, 125.3, 126.2, 126.7, 127.9, 128.6, 129.7, 142.9, 147.7, 170.5. HRMS–ESI(*m/z*): calcd for C₁₇H₁₉INO⁺ (*M*+H⁺): 380.0506, found 380.0510.

***N*-(4-fluorophenyl)-*N*-(4-iodo-2-methylphenyl)acetamide (3kb)**

yellow oil, 58.8 mg, 80%; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 1.96 (s, 3H), 2.16 (s, 3H), 6.97–7.08 (m, 3H), 7.20–7.23 (m, 2H), 7.63–7.67 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 17.6, 23.7, 94.2, 115.5 (d, *J* = 22.77 Hz), 126.8 (d, *J* = 8.12 Hz), 129.1, 131.3, 136.7, 138.5, 140.9, 141.4, 160.1 (d, *J* = 244.69 Hz), 170.1. HRMS–ESI(*m/z*): calcd for C₁₅H₁₄FINO⁺ (*M*+H⁺): 370.0099, found 370.0102.

***N*-(4-fluorophenyl)-*N*-(4-iodo-2, 6-dimethylphenyl)acetamide (3lb)²**

yellow oil, 62.8 mg, 82%; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 1.90 (s, 3H), 2.16 (s, 6H), 6.94–6.99 (m, 2H), 7.21–7.24 (m, 2H), 7.55 (s, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 17.7, 23.6, 94.4, 115.3 (d, *J* = 22.50 Hz), 124.9 (d, *J* = 8.07 Hz), 136.1 (d, *J* = 2.96 Hz), 138.3, 138.8, 140.2, 159.5 (d, *J* = 245.23 Hz), 170.0. HRMS–ESI(*m/z*): calcd for C₁₆H₁₆FINO⁺ (*M*+H⁺): 384.0255, found 384.0251.

***N*-(4-fluorophenyl)-*N*-(4-iodo-2, 3-dimethylphenyl)acetamide (3mb)**

yellow oil, 65.1 mg, 85%; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 1.95 (s, 3H), 2.26 (s, 3H), 2.48 (s, 3H), 6.85 (d, *J* = 8.26 Hz, 1H), 6.96–7.09 (m, 2H), 7.21–7.25 (m, 2H), 7.79 (d, *J* = 8.27 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 16.3, 23.9, 26.2, 102.4, 115.5 (d, *J* = 22.55 Hz), 126.7 (d, *J* = 8.15 Hz), 128.4, 135.9, 137.9, 141.9, 142.2, 160.0 (d, *J* = 245.74

Hz), 170.4. HRMS–ESI(m/z): calcd for C₁₆H₁₆FINO⁺ (M+H⁺): 384.0255, found 384.0253.

***N*-(4-fluorophenyl)-*N*-(4-iodo-3-methylphenyl)acetamide (3bb)**

yellow oil, 66.4 mg, 90%; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 2.05 (s, 3H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 6.78 (d, *J* = 7.48 Hz, 1H), 7.07 (s, 2H), 7.13 (d, *J* = 2.04 Hz, 1H), 7.21–7.24 (m, 2H), 7.79 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 23.6, 28.2, 99.9, 116.1, 116.8, 125.4, 127.6, 128.2, 129.4, 130.1, 139.6, 142.9, 170.4. HRMS–ESI(m/z): calcd for C₁₅H₁₄FINO⁺ (M+H⁺): 370.0099, found 370.0104.

***N*-(4-chlorophenyl)-*N*-(4-iodo-3-methylphenyl)acetamide (3bc)**

yellow oil, 75.5 mg, 98%; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 2.05(s, 3H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 6.78 (d, *J* = 7.44 Hz, 1H), 7.12 (d, *J* = 2.12 Hz, 1H), 7.18 (d, *J* = 8.56 Hz, 2H), 7.33 (s, 2H), 7.80 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 23.8, 28.2, 97.7, 125.5, 127.4, 127.7, 128.9, 129.4, 139.6, 139.9, 141.0, 142.8, 170.2. HRMS–ESI(m/z): calcd for C₁₅H₁₄ClINO⁺ (M+H⁺): 385.9803, found 385.9805.

***N*-(4-bromophenyl)-*N*-(4-iodo-3-methylphenyl)acetamide (3bd)**

yellow oil, 81.5 mg, 95%; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 2.05(s, 3H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 6.77 (d, *J* = 7.44 Hz, 1H), 7.11–7.13 (m, 3H), 7.48 (s, 2H), 7.80 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 23.8, 28.2, 98.7, 120.0, 125.6, 128.0, 132.4, 140.0, 140.0, 141.7, 142.8, 170.1. HRMS–ESI(m/z): calcd for C₁₅H₁₄BrINO⁺ (M+H⁺): 429.9298, found 429.9302.

methyl 4-(*N*-(4-iodo-3-methylphenyl)acetamido)benzoate (3be)

yellow oil, 50.7 mg, 62%; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 2.08 (s, 3H), 2.41 (s, 3H), 3.91 (s, 3H), 6.79 (dd, *J*₁ = 2.25 Hz, *J*₂ = 8.29 Hz, 1H), 7.13 (d, *J* = 2.38 Hz, 1H), 7.29–7.33 (m, 2H), 7.83 (d, *J* = 8.02 Hz, 1H), 8.02 (d, *J* = 8.15 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 24.1, 28.2, 52.3, 99.9, 126.9, 128.0, 128.9, 129.1, 130.7, 140.0, 142.7, 146.6, 166.3, 170.1. HRMS–ESI(m/z): calcd for C₁₇H₁₇INO₃⁺ (M+H⁺): 410.0248, found 410.0253.

***N*-(2-chlorophenyl)-*N*-(4-iodo-3-methylphenyl)acetamide (3bf)**

yellow oil, 71.6 mg, 93%; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 2.00 (s, 3H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 6.86 (s, 1H), 7.24 (d, *J* = 2.33 Hz, 2H), 7.34 (s, 2H), 7.51 (s, 1H), 7.72–7.74 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 23.0, 23.9, 38.1, 97.5, 124.0, 125.6, 126.4, 127.6, 128.4, 129.5, 139.8, 140.6, 142.8, 170.4. HRMS–ESI(m/z): calcd for C₁₅H₁₄ClINO⁺ (M+H⁺): 385.9803, found 385.9808.

***N*-(2-bromophenyl)-*N*-(4-iodo-3-methylphenyl)acetamide (3bg)**

yellow oil, 78.1 mg, 91%; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 2.00 (s, 3H), 2.37 (s, 3H), 6.87 (s, 1H), 7.26–7.40 (m, 4H), 7.69–7.79 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 23.8, 28.3, 97.8, 124.3, 124.8, 127.0, 129.2, 130.2, 131.1, 134.4, 139.0, 141.4, 141.7, 141.9, 170.1. HRMS–ESI(m/z): calcd for C₁₅H₁₄BrINO⁺ (M+H⁺): 429.9298, found 429.9295.

***N*-(3-chlorophenyl)-*N*-(4-iodo-3-methylphenyl)acetamide (3bh)**

yellow oil, 54.6 mg, 71%; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 2.07 (s, 3H), 2.41 (s, 3H), 6.78 (d, *J* = 7.39 Hz, 1H), 7.12–7.16 (m, 2H), 7.24–7.29 (m, 3H), 7.82 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 23.8, 28.2, 100.0, 124.6, 125.4, 126.7, 128.4, 129.3, 130.2, 134.9, 138.8, 140.0, 142.8, 143.8, 170.2. HRMS–ESI(m/z): calcd for C₁₅H₁₄ClINO⁺ (M+H⁺):

385.9803, found 385.9808.

***N*-(3-chloro-4-methylphenyl)-*N*-(4-iodo-3-methylphenyl)acetamide (3bi)**

yellow oil, 65.4 mg, 82%; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 2.06 (s, 3H), 2.38 (d, *J* = 15.66 Hz, 6H), 6.78 (d, *J* = 7.14 Hz, 1H), 7.05–7.07 (m, 1H), 7.13 (d, *J* = 2.12 Hz, 1H), 7.24 (d, *J* = 1.88 Hz, 2H), 7.78 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 19.7, 23.8, 28.2, 98.1, 124.8, 125.5, 127.1, 128.9, 131.8, 134.4, 136.1, 139.4, 140.0, 141.4, 142.8, 170.2. HRMS–ESI(*m/z*): calcd for C₁₆H₁₆ClINO⁺ (*M*+H⁺): 399.9960, found 399.9954.

***N*-(3-cyano-4-methylphenyl)-*N*-(4-iodo-3-methylphenyl)acetamide (3bj)**

yellow oil, 54.6 mg, 70%; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 2.06 (s, 3H), 2.43 (s, 3H), 2.52 (s, 3H), 6.79 (d, *J* = 7.16 Hz, 1H), 7.12 (d, *J* = 2.38 Hz, 1H), 7.30 (s, 1H), 7.41 (dd, *J*₁ = 2.31 Hz, *J*₂ = 8.27 Hz, 1H), 7.46 (s, 1H), 7.86 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 20.1, 23.8, 28.3, 100.7, 113.4, 117.4, 127.3, 128.1, 129.6, 130.5, 131.0, 139.7, 140.2, 140.4, 142.5, 143.8, 170.2. HRMS–ESI(*m/z*): calcd for C₁₇H₁₆IN₂O⁺ (*M*+H⁺): 391.0302, found 391.0305.

***N*-(4-iodo-3-methylphenyl)-*N*-phenylpropionamide (3bk)**

yellow solid, 64.2 mg, 88%, mp 95–96 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 1.12 (t, *J* = 7.42 Hz, 3H), 2.27 (q, *J* = 7.40 Hz, 2H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 6.78 (dd, *J*₁ = 8.29 Hz, *J*₂ = 1.96 Hz, 1H), 7.16 (d, *J* = 2.16 Hz, 1H), 7.25–7.26 (m, 2H), 7.35–7.38 (m, 3H), 7.75 (d, *J* = 6.96 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 9.7, 28.2, 28.8, 97.8, 126.0, 127.5, 128.2, 128.9, 129.6, 139.4, 139.5, 142.6, 143.1, 173.9. HRMS–ESI(*m/z*): calcd for C₁₆H₁₇INO⁺ (*M*+H⁺): 366.0349, found 366.0351.

***N*-(4-iodo-3-methylphenyl)-*N*-phenylbutyramide (3bl)**

yellow oil, 70.5 mg, 93%; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 0.89 (t, *J* = 7.40 Hz, 3H), 1.63–1.72 (m, 2H), 2.22 (t, *J* = 7.41 Hz, 2H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 6.76–6.79 (m, 1H), 7.15 (d, *J* = 2.08 Hz, 1H), 7.22–7.24 (m, 2H), 7.38 (s, 3H), 7.75 (d, *J* = 4.5 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 13.8, 19.0, 28.2, 37.2, 97.8, 126.6, 127.4, 127.7, 129.5, 139.4, 139.5, 141.7, 142.6, 143.2, 173.1. HRMS–ESI(*m/z*): calcd for C₁₇H₁₉INO⁺ (*M*+H⁺): 380.0506, found 380.0511.

***N*-(4-iodo-3-methylphenyl)-*N*-phenylisobutyramide (3bm)**

yellow oil, 38.2 mg, 90%; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 1.05 (d, *J* = 6.72 Hz, 6H), 2.31 (s, 3H), 2.56–2.66 (m, 1H), 6.68 (d, *J* = 7.16 Hz, 1H), 7.06 (d, *J* = 2.48 Hz, 1H), 7.14–7.18 (m, 3H), 7.30 (s, 2H), 7.68 (d, *J* = 5.4 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 18.6, 27.1, 31.0, 97.7, 124.9, 126.2, 127.2, 128.5, 138.4, 138.5, 140.4, 141.6, 142.2, 176.5. HRMS–ESI(*m/z*): calcd for C₁₇H₁₉INO⁺ (*M*+H⁺): 380.0506, found 380.0502.

***N*-(4-iodo-3-methylphenyl)-*N*-phenylcyclopropanecarboxamide (3bn)**

yellow oil, 66.4 mg, 88%; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 0.72–0.76 (m, 2H), 1.11–1.14 (m, 2H), 1.49–1.55 (m, 1H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 6.80 (s, 1H), 7.17 (s, 1H), 7.25–7.28 (m, 3H), 7.35–7.38 (m, 2H), 7.76 (d, *J* = 7.32 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 9.5, 13.9, 28.2, 97.9, 125.9, 127.1, 128.2, 129.4, 139.4, 139.5, 141.6, 142.7, 143.3, 173.7. HRMS–ESI(*m/z*): calcd for C₁₇H₁₇INO⁺ (*M*+H⁺): 378.0349, found 378.0351.

***N*-(4-iodo-3-methylphenyl)-*N*-phenylcyclohexanecarboxamide (3bo)**

yellow solid, 72.1 mg, 86%, mp 140–145 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 0.98–1.07 (m, 2H), 1.16–1.29 (m, 2H), 1.55–1.65 (m, 3H), 1.69–1.80 (m, 4H), 2.37 (s, 3H), 6.74 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.11 (d, $J = 2.44$ Hz, 1H), 7.21 (d, $J = 7.52$ Hz, 3H), 7.37 (s, 2H), 7.76 (d, $J = 3.72$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 25.5, 25.6, 28.2, 29.5, 42.3, 97.7, 126.0, 126.9, 128.0, 129.6, 139.4, 141.5, 142.7, 143.3, 176.6. HRMS–ESI(m/z): calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{23}\text{INO}^+$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}^+$): 420.0819, found 420.0814.

***N*-(4-iodo-3-methylphenyl)-*N*-phenylbenzamide (3bp)**

yellow oil, 50.4 mg, 61%; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 2.33 (s, 3H), 6.68 (dd, $J = 8.37$ Hz, $J = 2.44$ Hz, 1H), 7.06–7.10 (m, 3H), 7.15–7.31 (m, 6H), 7.43–7.45 (m, 2H), 7.40 (d, $J = 8.44$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 28.2, 98.1, 126.4, 126.6, 127.6, 128.0, 128.4, 129.2, 129.3, 130.4, 135.8, 139.4, 142.5, 143.6, 144.1, 170.6. HRMS–ESI(m/z): calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{17}\text{INO}^+$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}^+$): 414.0349, found 414.0352.

***N*-(4-iodo-3-methylphenyl)-*N*-phenylacrylamide (3bq)**

yellow solid, 60.3 mg, 83%, mp 90–92 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 2.31 (s, 3H), 5.57 (dd, $J = 10.27$ Hz, $J = 1.88$ Hz, 1H), 6.10 (dd, $J = 16.76$ Hz, $J = 10.24$ Hz, 1H), 6.39 (dd, $J = 16.77$ Hz, $J = 1.92$ Hz, 1H), 6.68 (dd, $J = 8.38$ Hz, $J = 2.56$ Hz, 1H), 7.06 (s, 1H), 7.12–7.14 (m, 2H), 7.18–7.23 (m, 1H), 7.28–7.32 (m, 2H), 7.69 (d, $J = 8.32$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 27.1, 97.7, 125.6, 126.3, 126.4, 127.7, 128.2, 128.3, 128.4, 138.5, 141.0, 141.5, 141.7, 164.5. HRMS–ESI(m/z): calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{15}\text{INO}^+$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}^+$): 364.0193, found 364.0190.

***N*-(4-iodo-3-methylphenyl)-*N*-phenylbut-3-enamide (3br)**

yellow solid, 66.4 mg, 88%, mp 92–95 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 2.38 (s, 3H), 3.06 (d, $J = 6.68$ Hz, 2H), 5.01 (dd, $J = 17.18$ Hz, $J = 1.24$ Hz, 1H), 5.12 (dd, $J = 10.19$ Hz, $J = 1.40$ Hz, 1H), 5.91–6.01 (m, 1H), 6.78 (d, $J = 7.48$ Hz, 1H), 7.17 (d, $J = 2.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.23–7.25 (m, 3H), 7.36–7.38 (m, 2H), 7.72–7.76 (m, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 28.2, 40.3, 97.8, 118.1, 123.6, 125.6, 128.1, 129.4, 129.5, 131.6, 139.6, 141.1, 142.3, 142.9, 170.1. HRMS–ESI(m/z): calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{17}\text{INO}^+$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}^+$): 378.0349, found 378.0345.

***N*-(4-iodo-3-methylphenyl)-*N*-phenylcinnamamide (3bs)**

yellow solid, 58.8 mg, 67%, mp 150–152 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 2.39 (s, 3H), 6.46 (d, $J = 15.48$ Hz, 1H), 6.80 (dd, $J = 8.35$ Hz, $J = 2.32$ Hz, 1H), 7.17 (s, 1H), 7.24–7.76 (m, 2H), 7.31–7.41 (m, 8H), 7.75–7.79 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 28.3, 98.6, 119.3, 119.4, 126.9, 128.1, 128.3, 128.5, 128.8, 128.9, 129.5, 129.8, 129.9, 134.9, 139.5, 142.4, 143.0, 143.1, 166.1. HRMS–ESI(m/z): calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{19}\text{INO}^+$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}^+$): 440.0506, found 440.0509.

4-iodo-*N*-phenylaniline (4)³

white solid, 56.1 mg, 95%, mp 100–102 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 5.67 (s, 1H), 6.80–6.83 (m, 2H), 6.95–6.99 (m, 1H), 7.04–7.06 (m, 2H), 7.24–7.30 (m, 2H), 7.49–7.52 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 82.1, 118.5, 119.3, 121.8, 129.5, 138.1, 142.2, 143.1. HRMS–ESI(m/z): calcd for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{11}\text{IN}^+$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}^+$): 295.9931, found 295.9926.

(*E*)-*N*-phenyl-*N*-(4-styrylphenyl)acetamide (5)

white solid, 50.7 mg, 81%, mp 120–122 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 2.08 (s, 3H), 7.07 (s, 2H), 7.24–7.28 (m,

6H), 7.35 (t, $J = 7.28$ Hz, 4H), 7.50 (d, $J = 7.32$ Hz, 4H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 24.0, 126.6, 127.0, 127.3, 127.8, 128.6, 128.8, 129.1, 129.9, 135.1, 137.1, 142.1, 142.5, 143.3, 170.6. HRMS–ESI(m/z): calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{20}\text{NO}^+$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}^+$): 314.1539, found 314.1535.

***N*-([1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl)-*N*-phenylacetamide (6)⁴**

white solid, 47.7 mg, 83%, mp 120–122 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 2.10 (s, 3H), 7.25 (s, 1H), 7.30–7.35 (m, 6H), 7.40–7.43 (m, 3H), 7.55 (d, $J = 6.72$ Hz, 4H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 24.0, 126.6, 127.1, 127.4, 127.7, 127.8, 128.6, 128.9, 129.8, 140.4, 140.8, 141.9, 142.6, 170.6. HRMS–ESI(m/z): calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{18}\text{NO}^+$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}^+$): 288.1383, found 288.1385.

***N*-phenyl-*N*-(4-(phenylethynyl)phenyl)acetamide (7)**

yellow oil, 56.6 mg, 91%; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 2.07 (s, 3H), 7.20–7.26 (m, 4H), 7.33–7.41 (m, 6H), 7.50–7.53 (m, 4H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 24.1, 88.7, 123.0, 126.0, 126.5, 128.4, 128.5, 128.6, 129.7, 129.9, 131.6, 131.7, 132.2, 142.8, 170.5. HRMS–ESI(m/z): calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{18}\text{NO}^+$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}^+$): 312.1383, found 312.1386.

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X-ray crystallography data

Crystals of **3aa** were obtained by recrystallization from CH₂Cl₂/hexane (1:8). The X-ray crystallography was measured on Bruker D8 Venture Photon instrument.

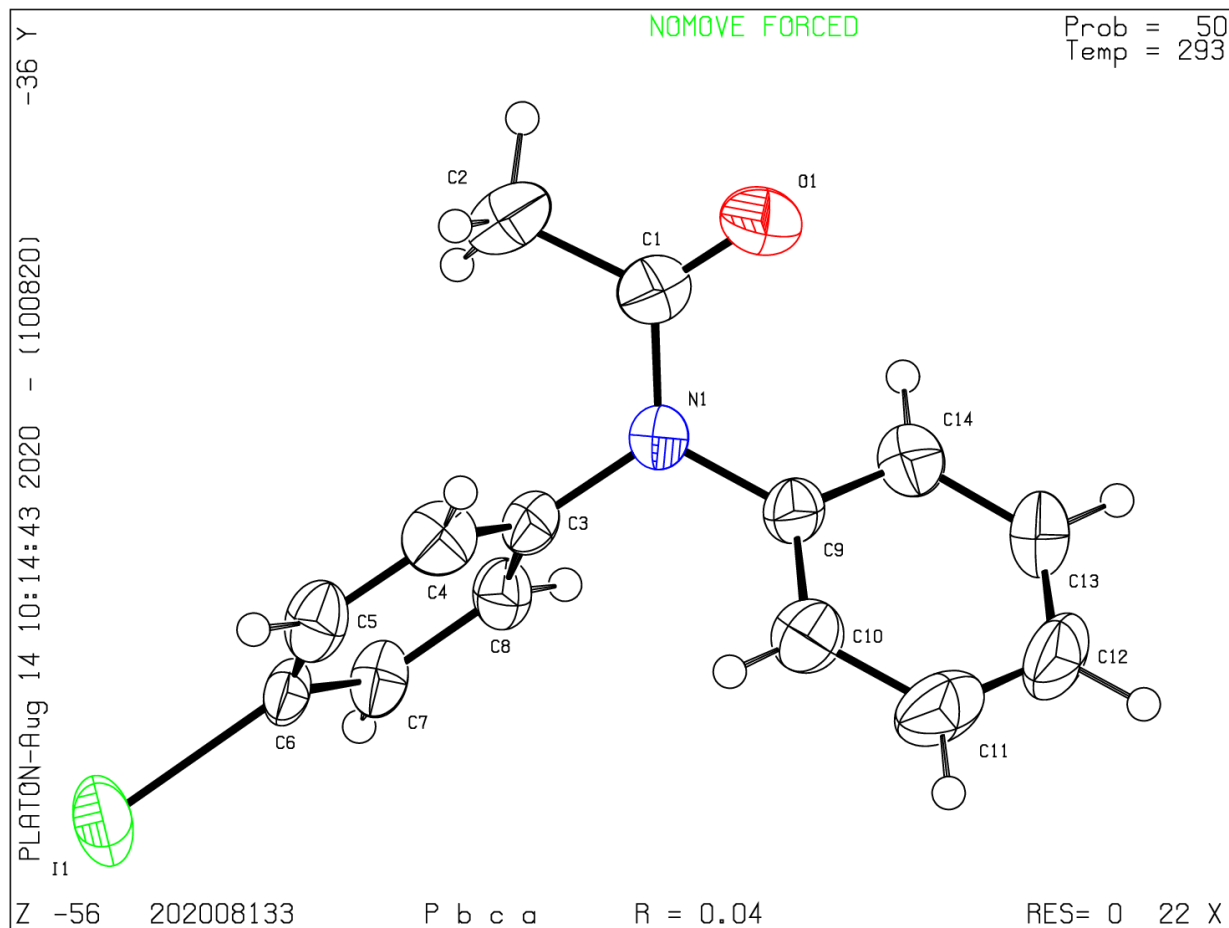


Figure 1. X-ray crystallography of **3aa**. Thermal ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level.

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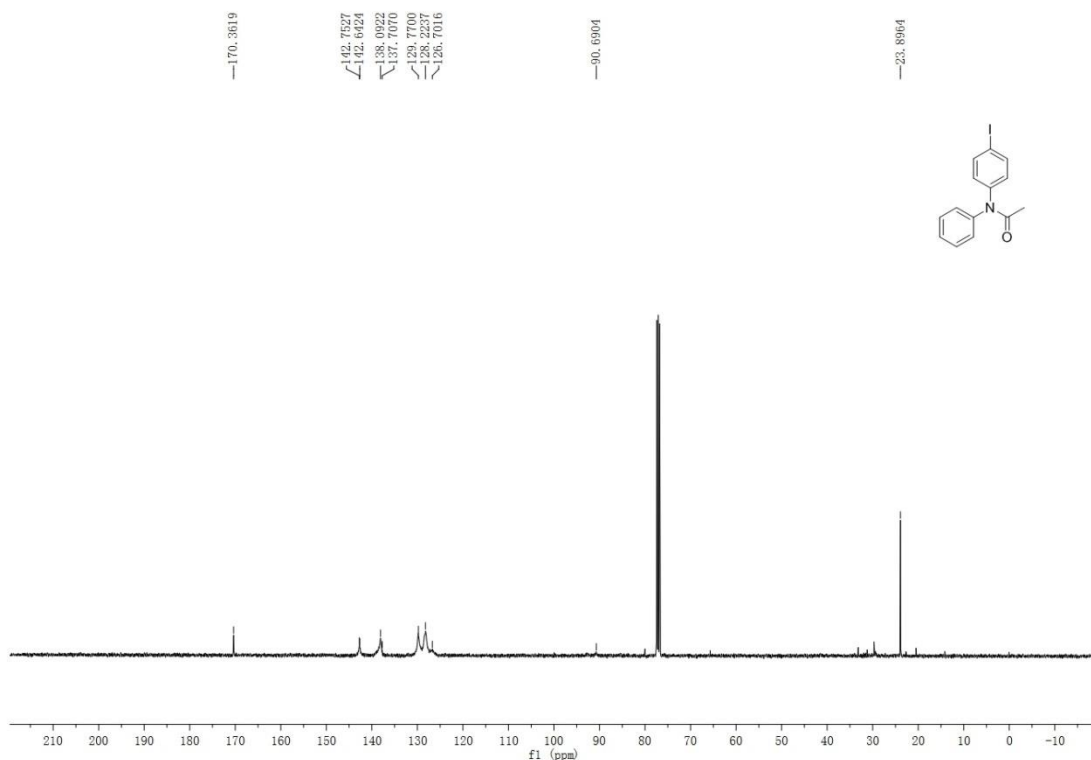
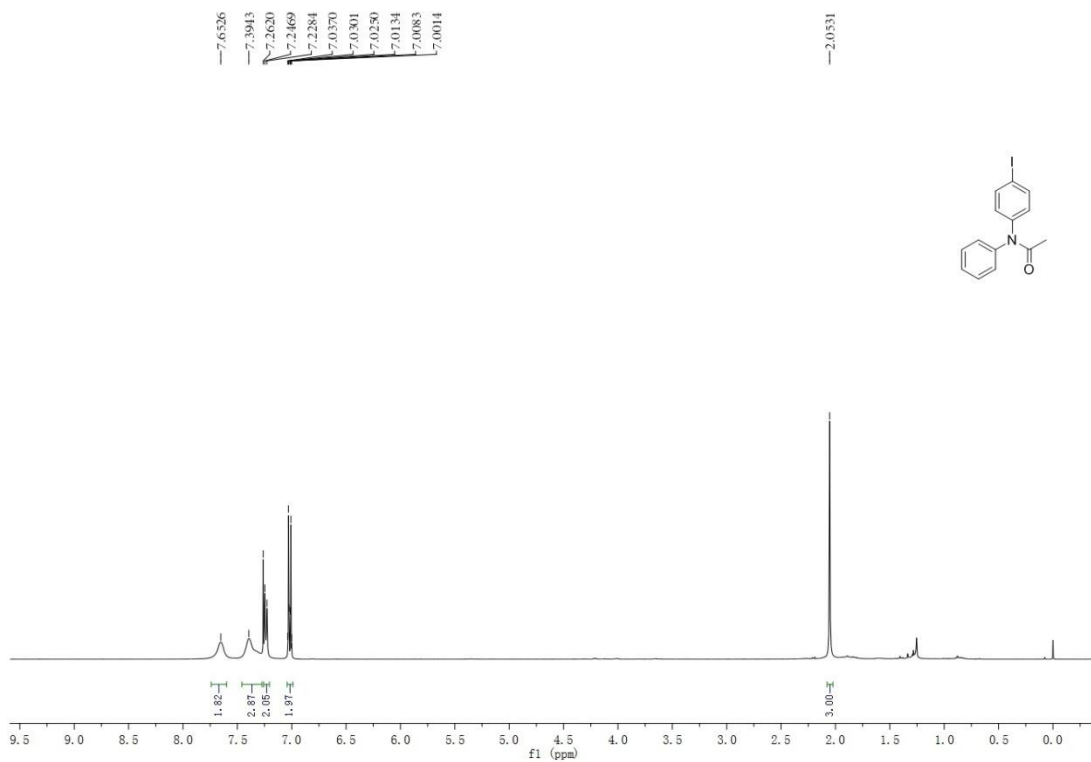
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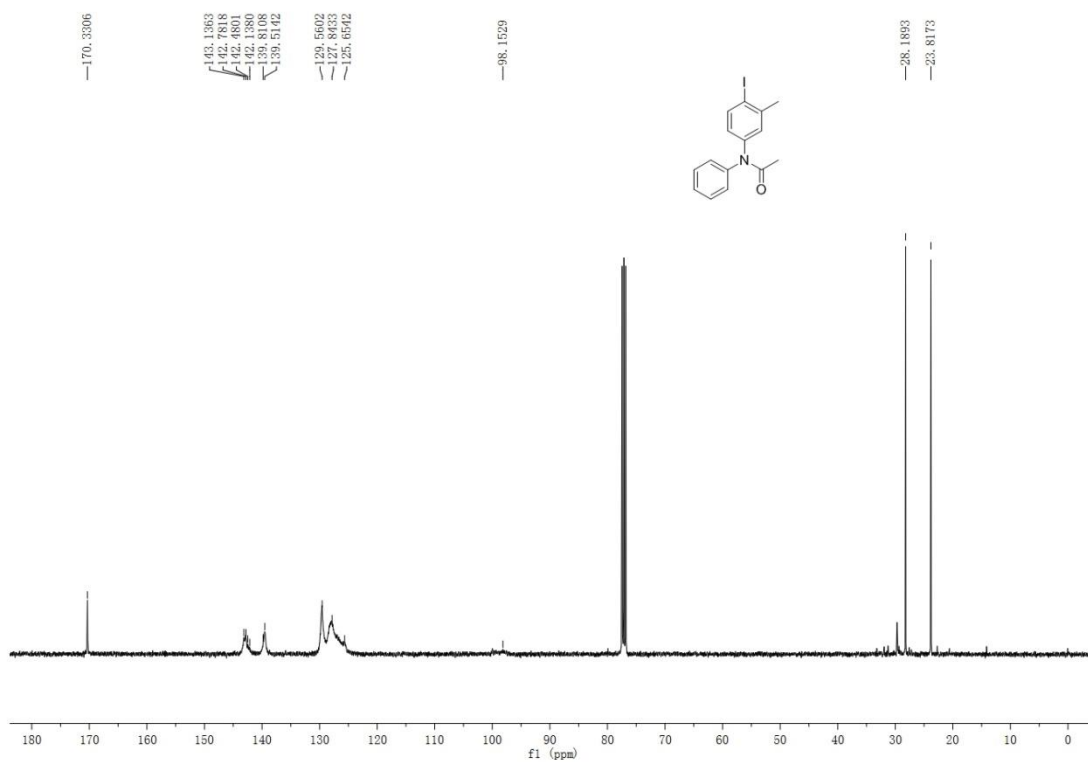
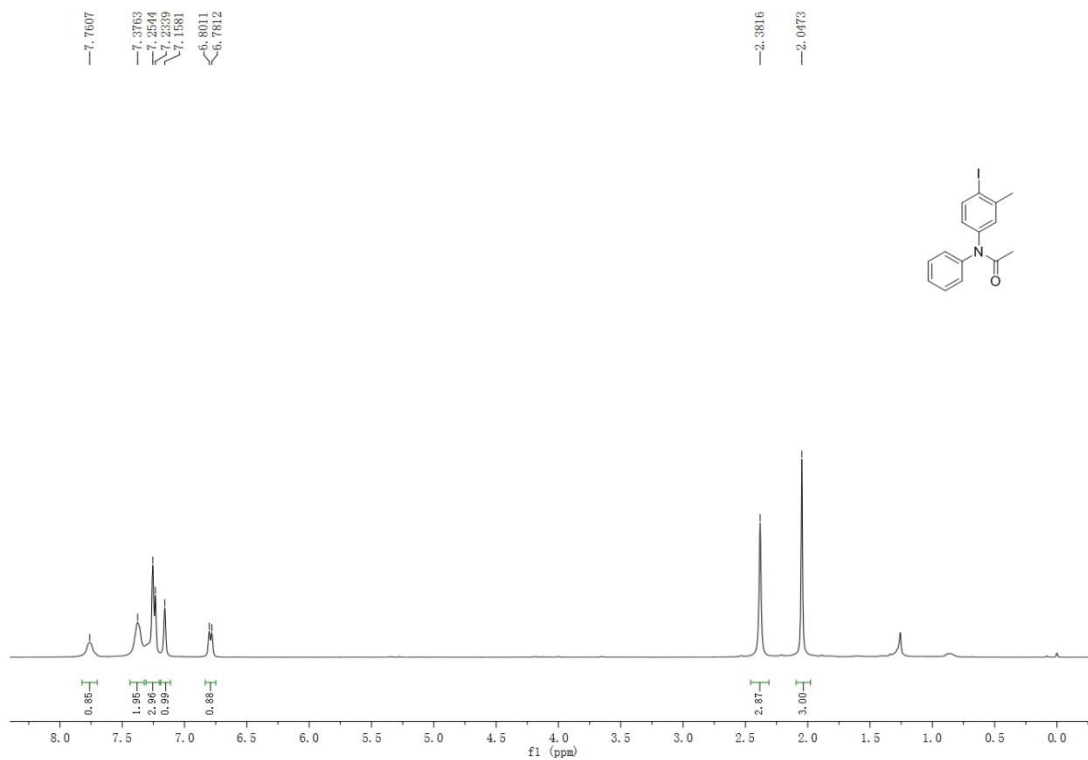
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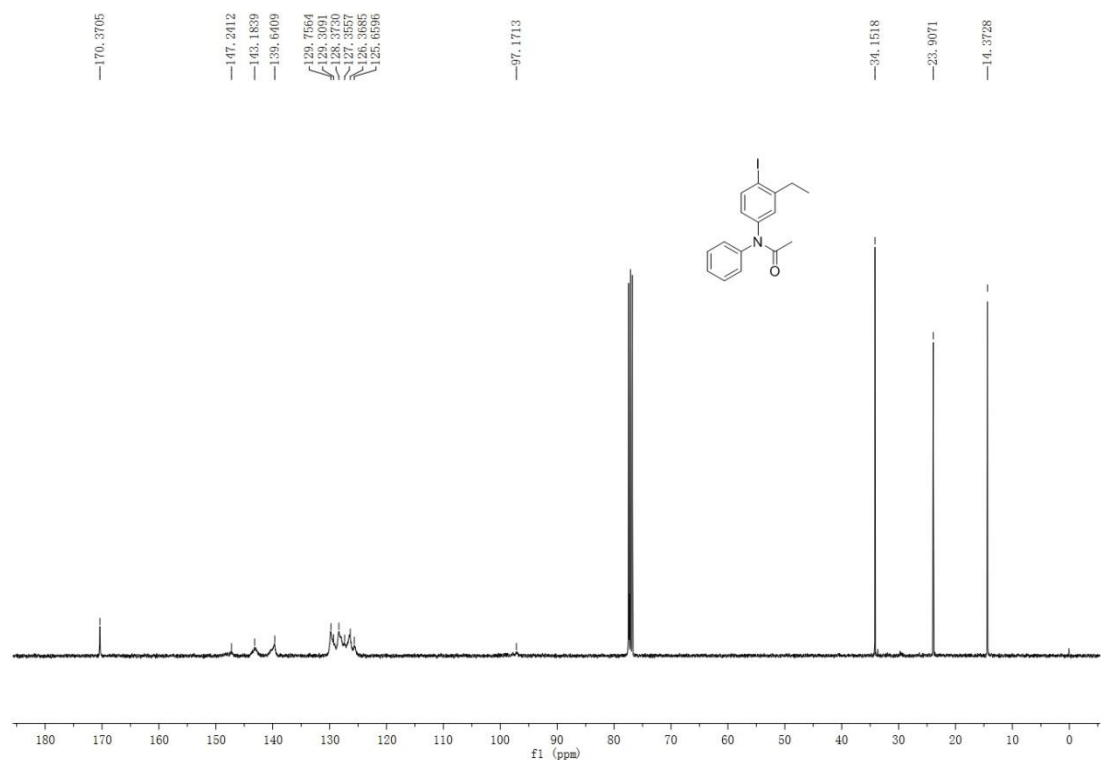
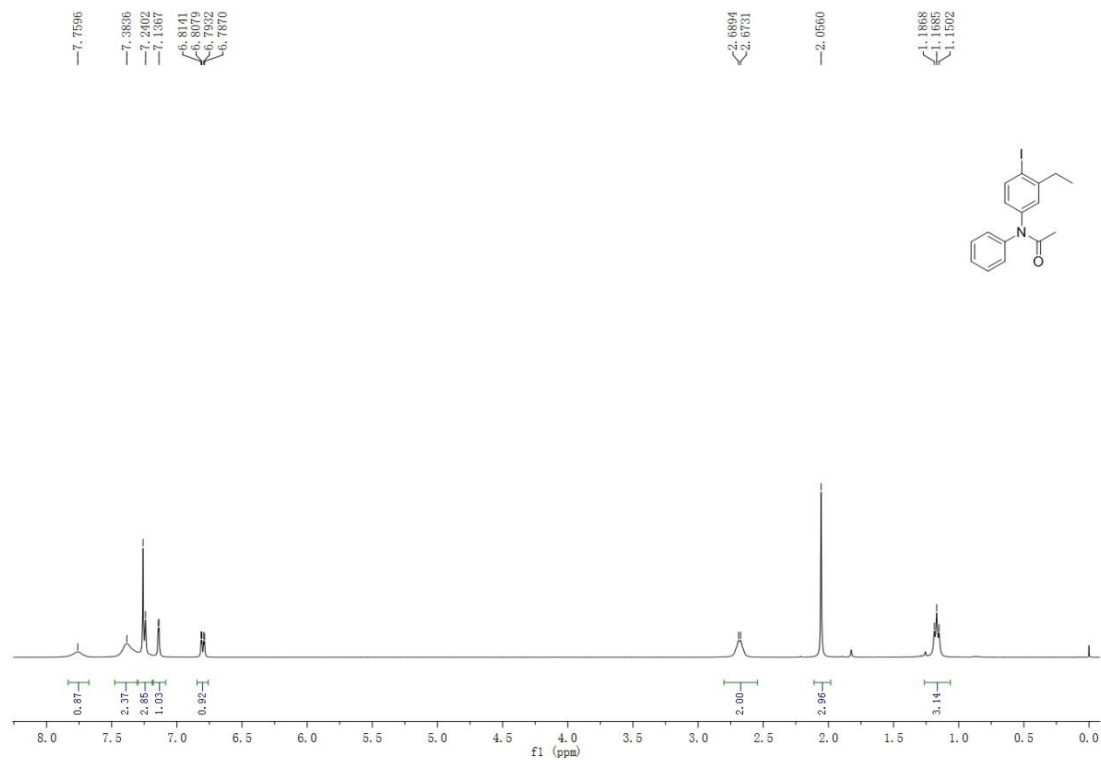
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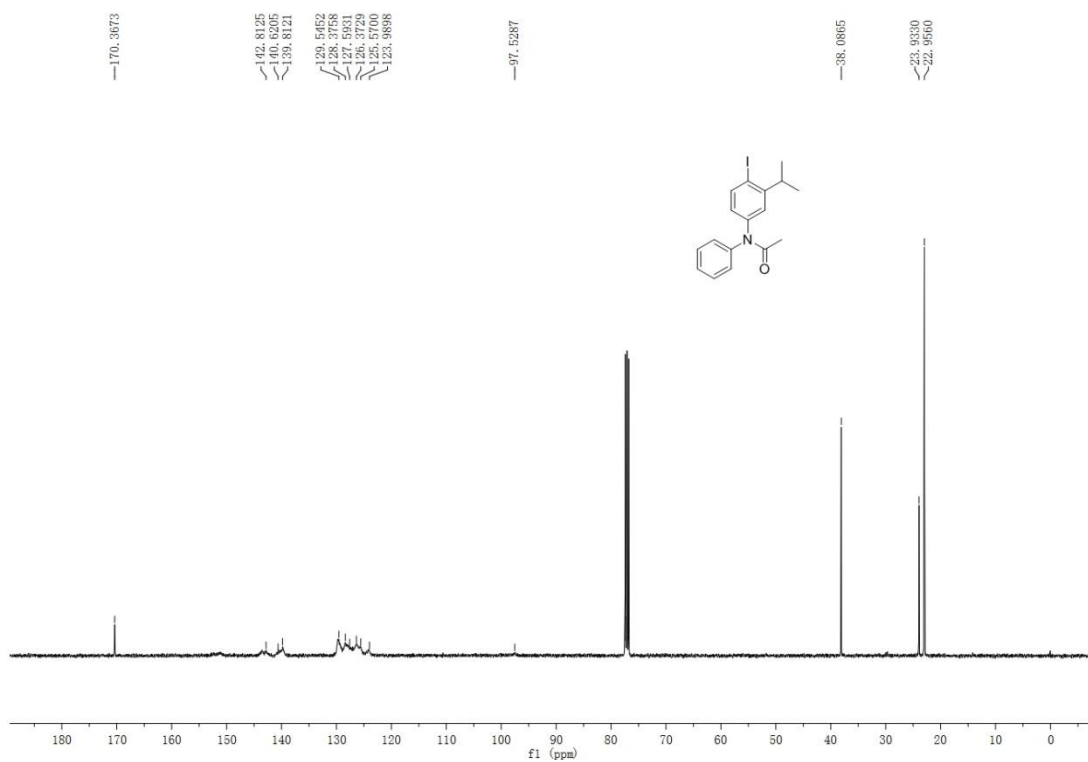
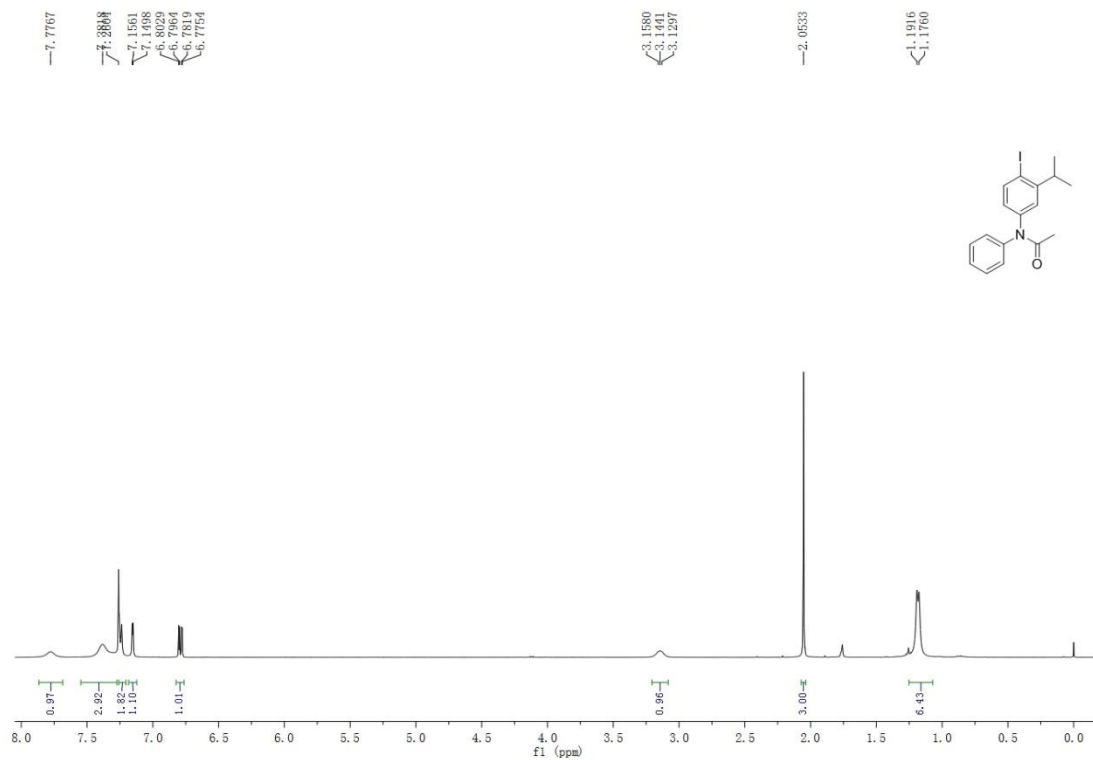
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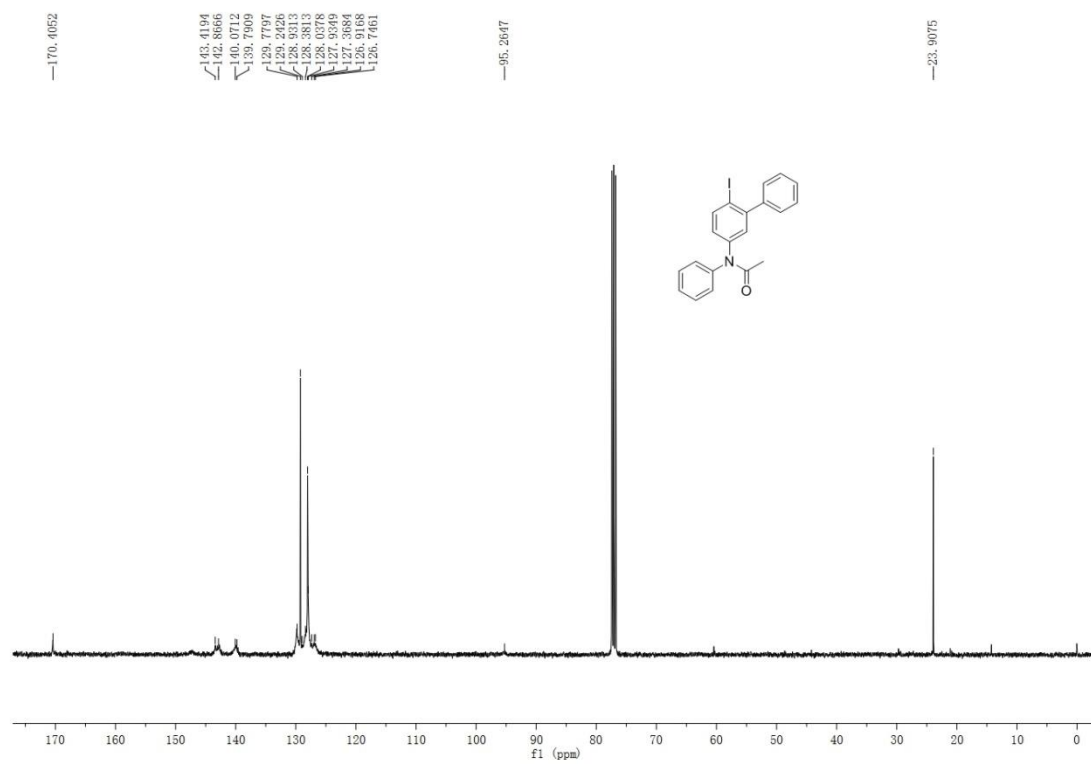
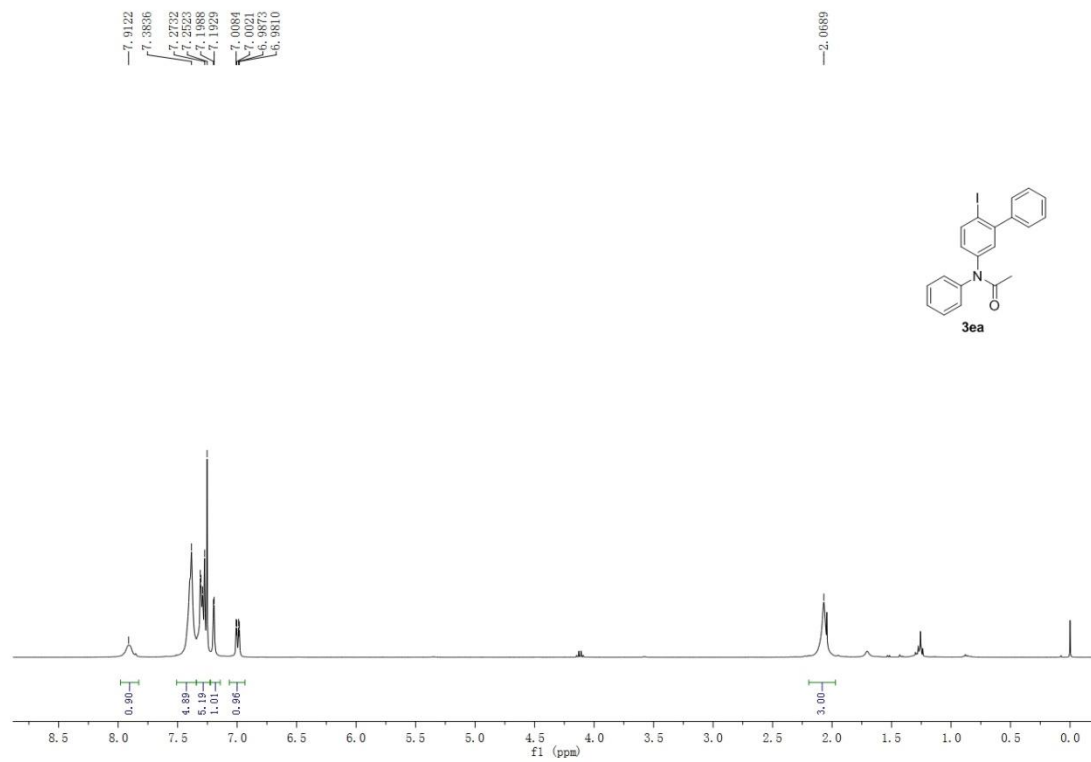
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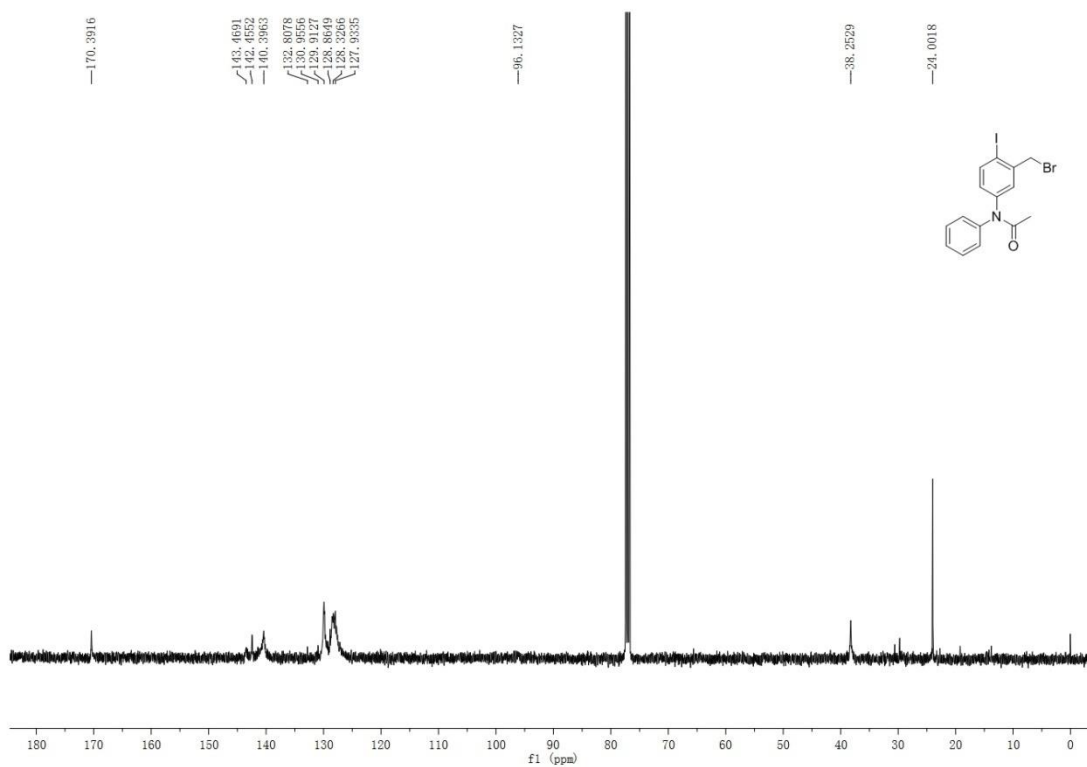
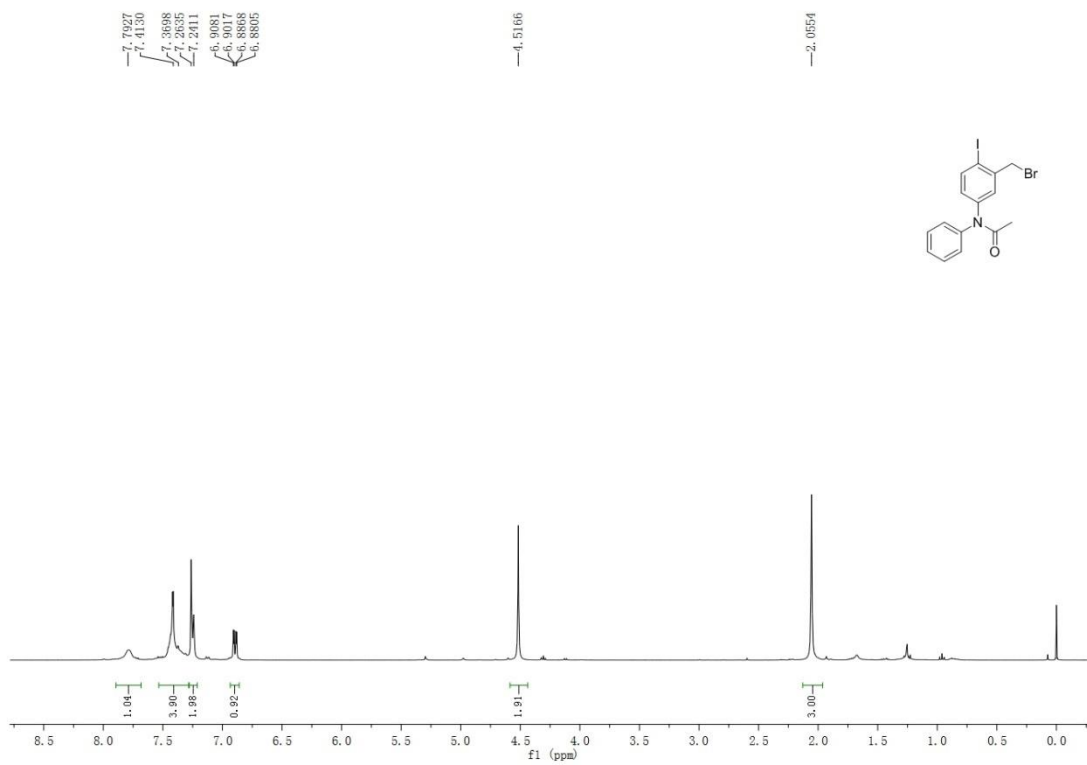
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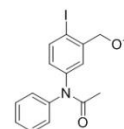
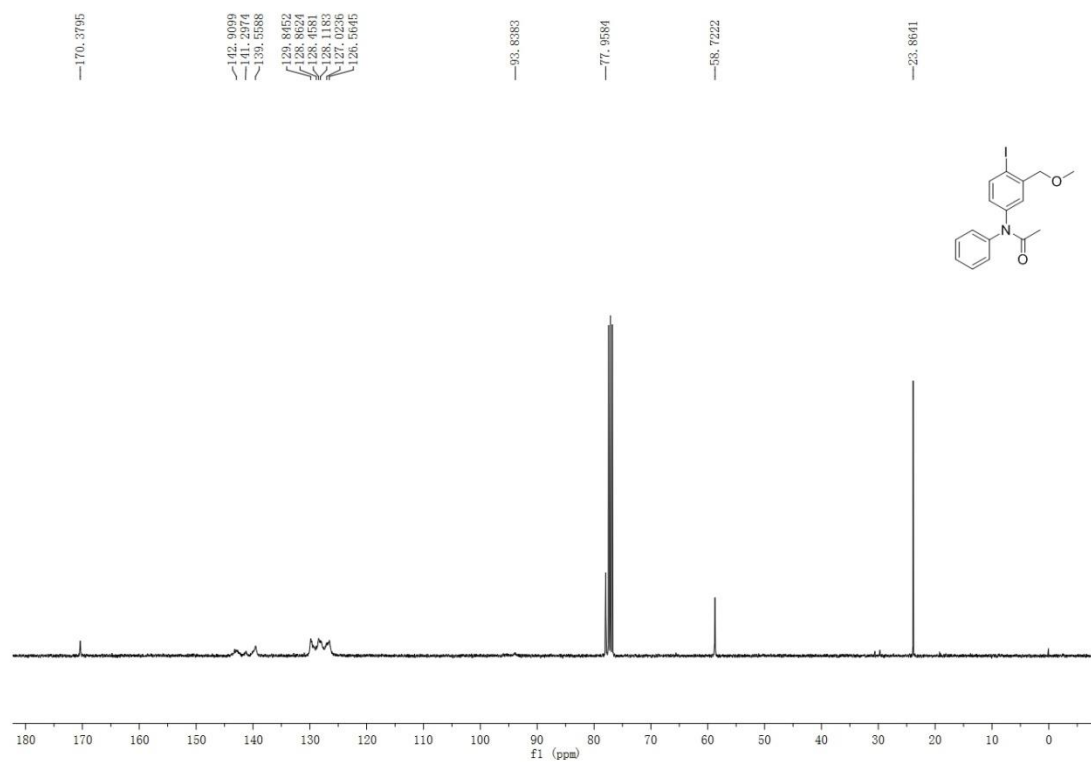
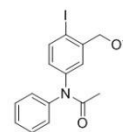
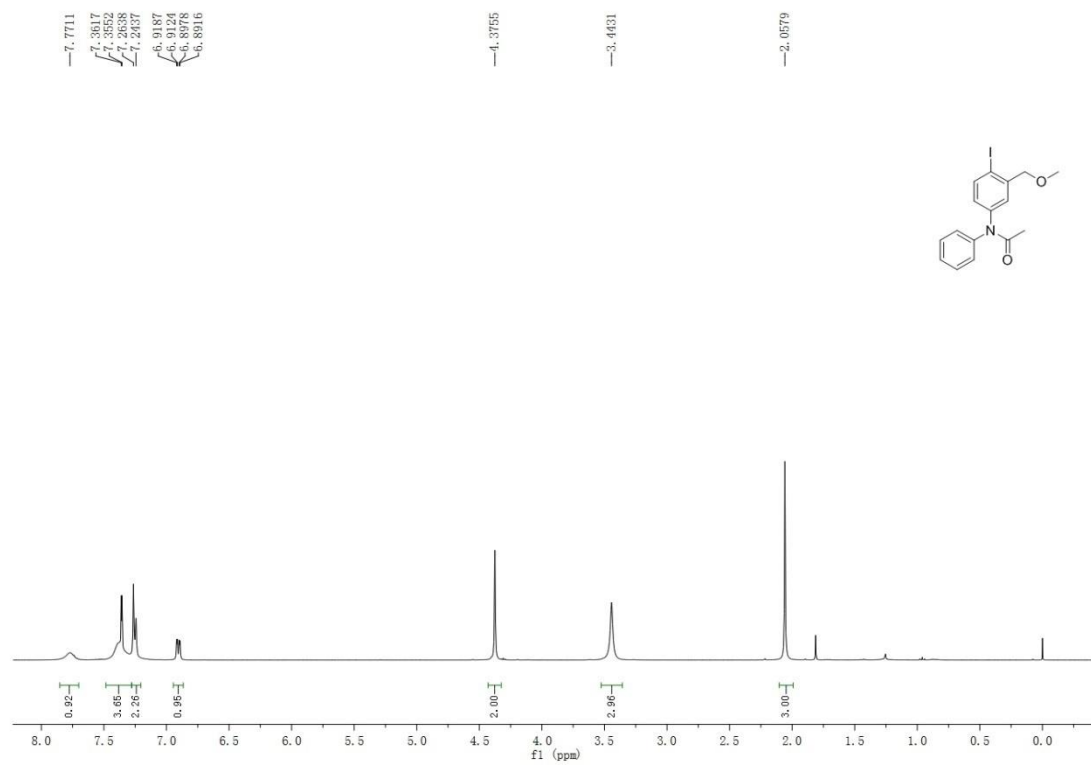
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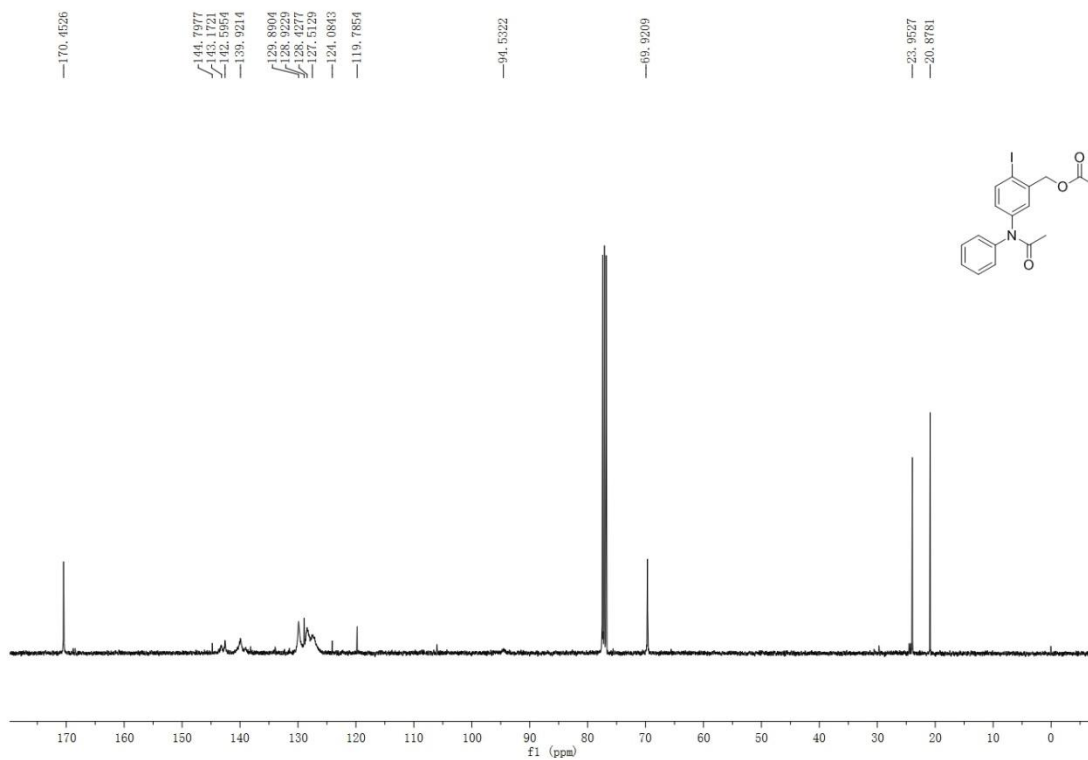
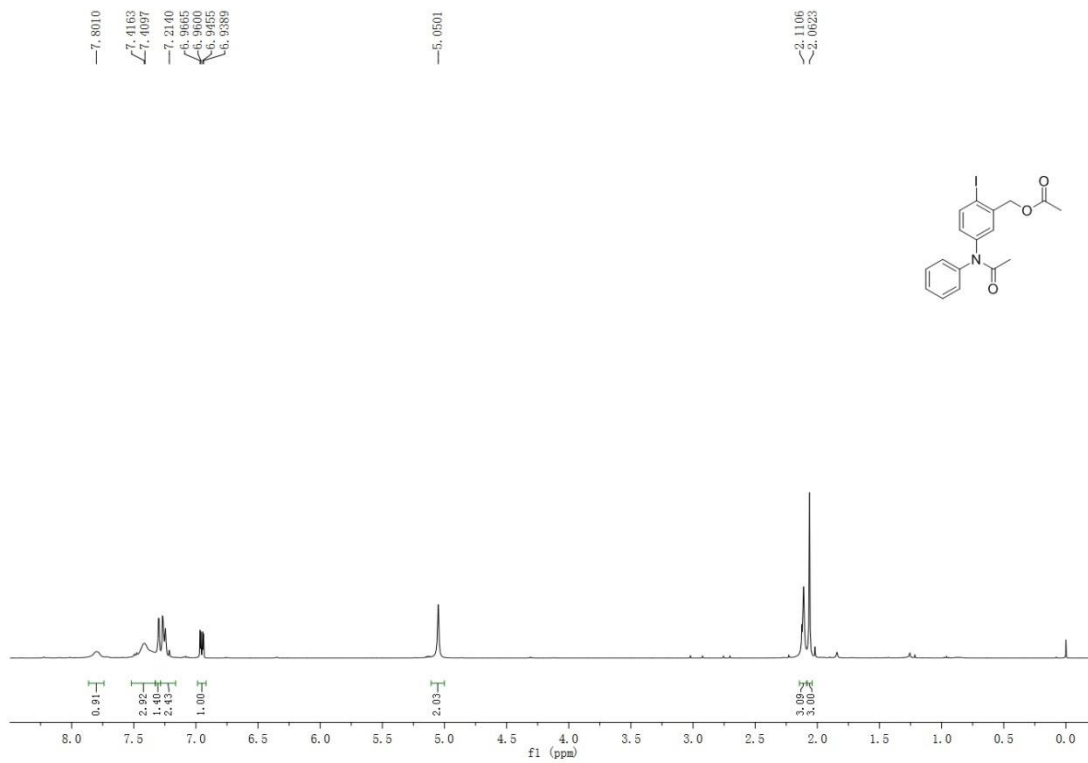
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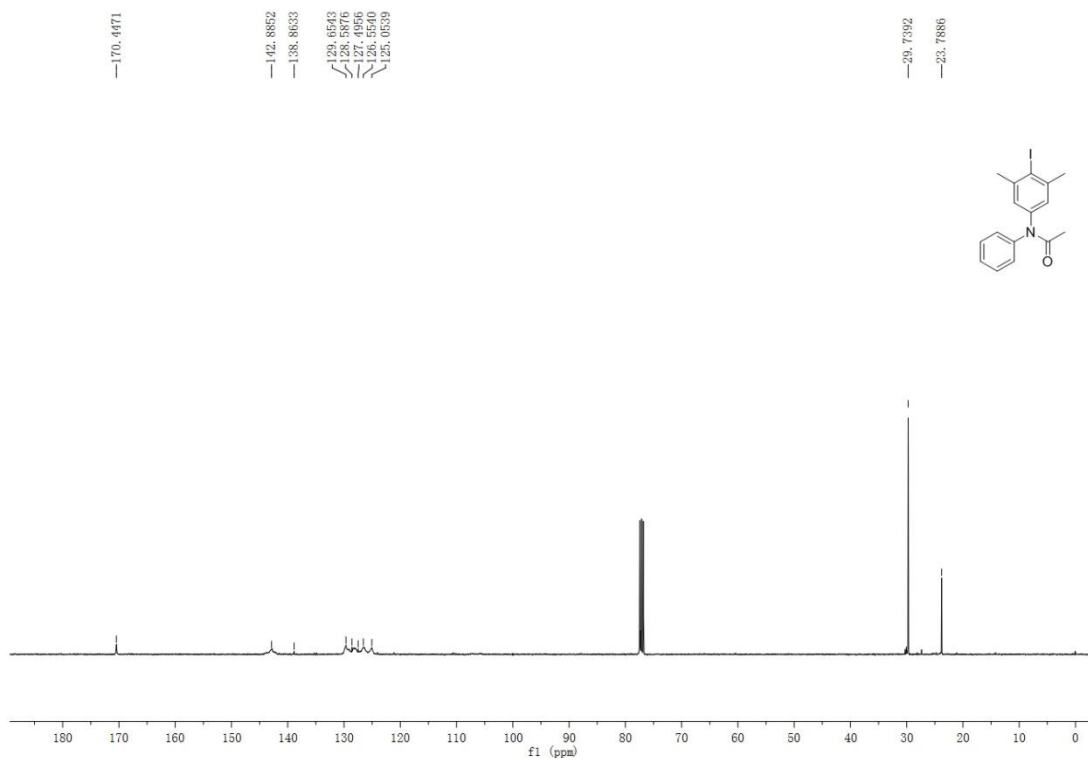
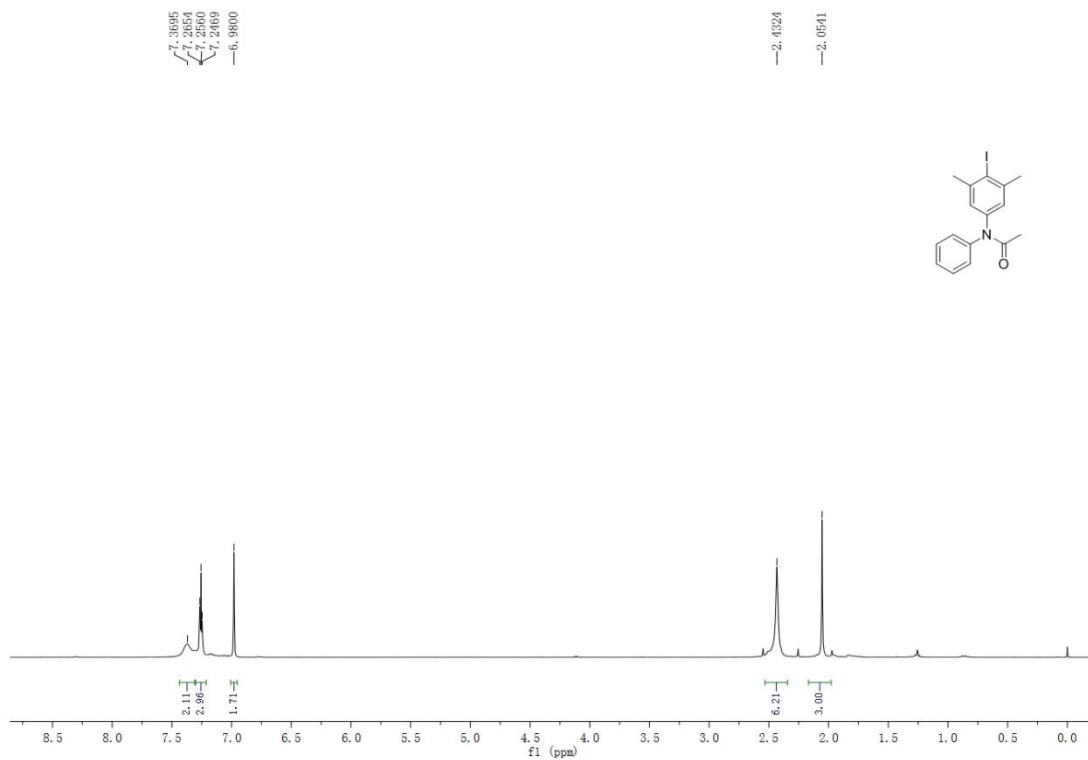
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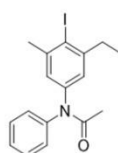
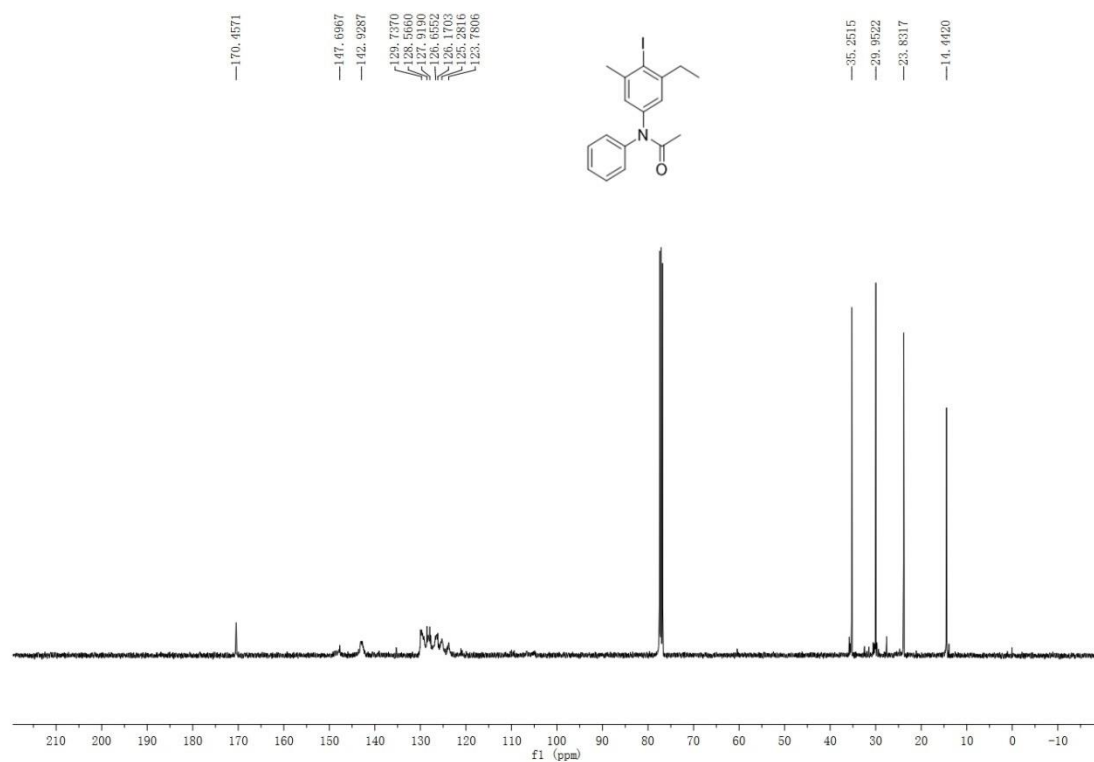
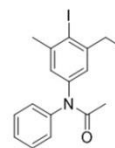
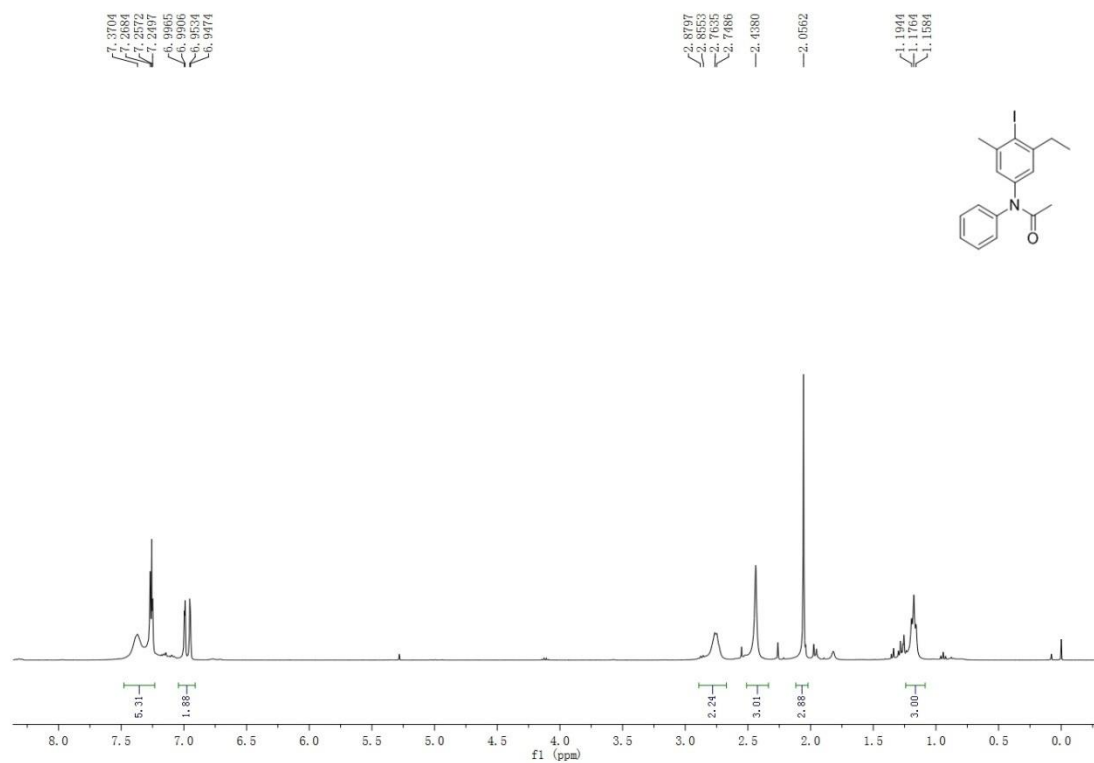
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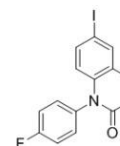
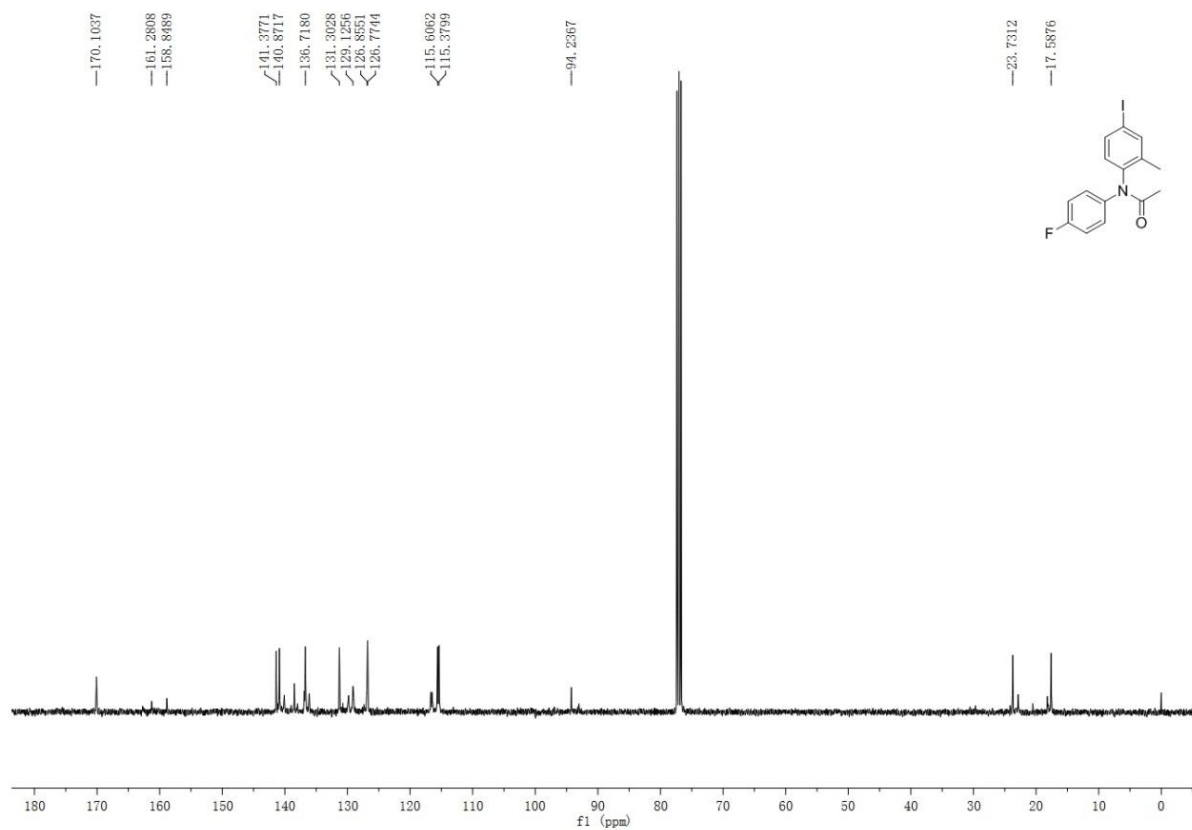
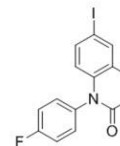
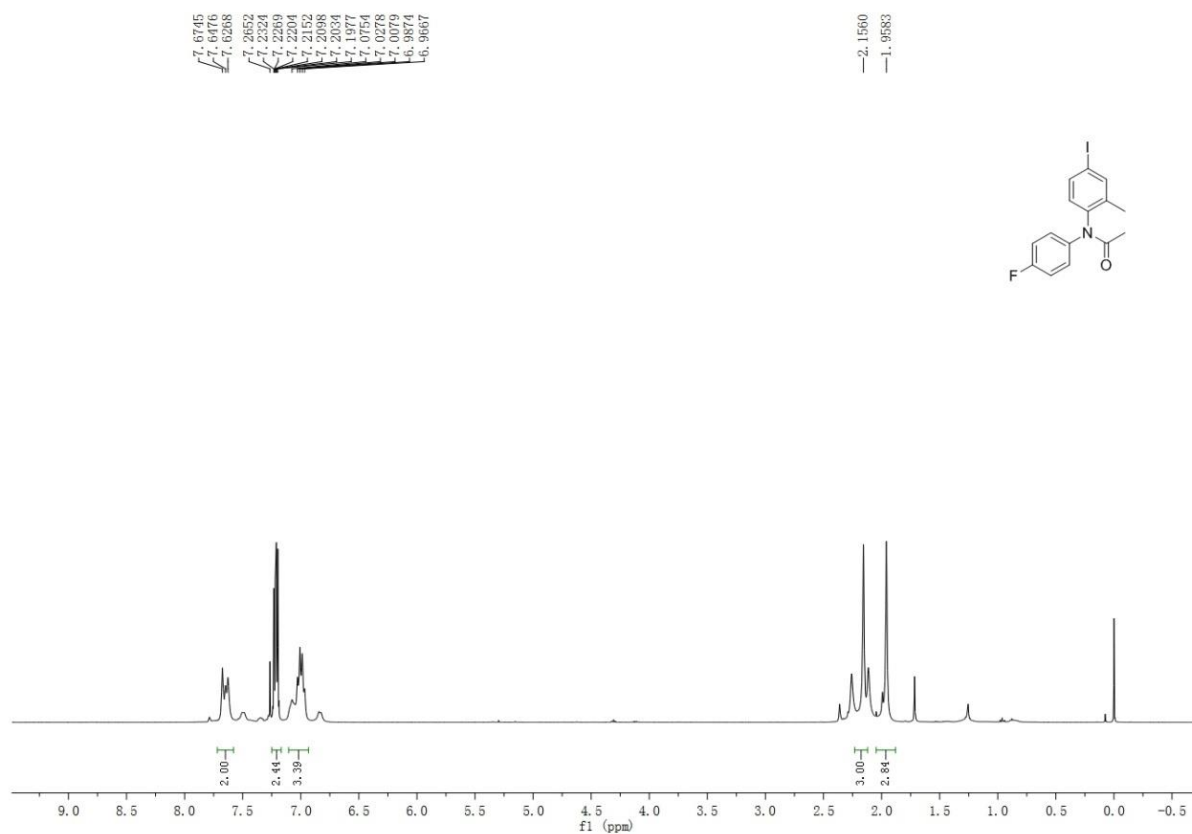
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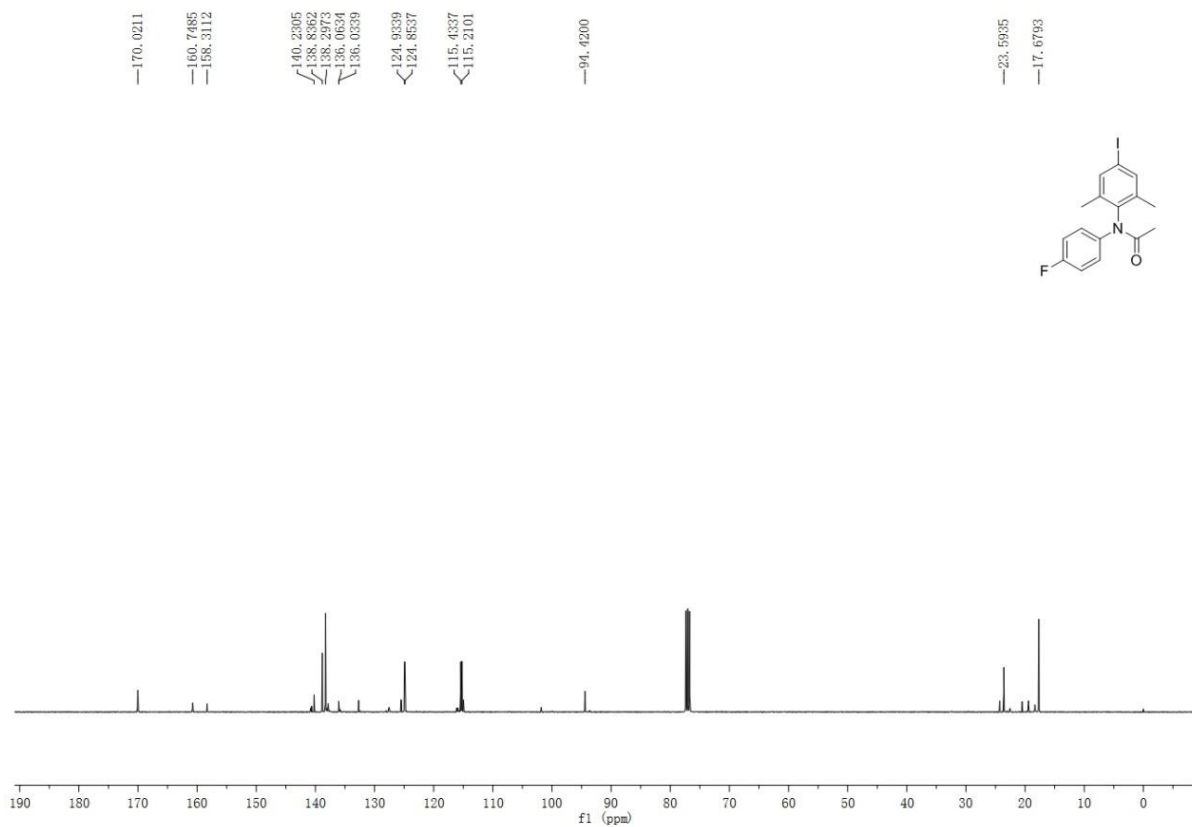
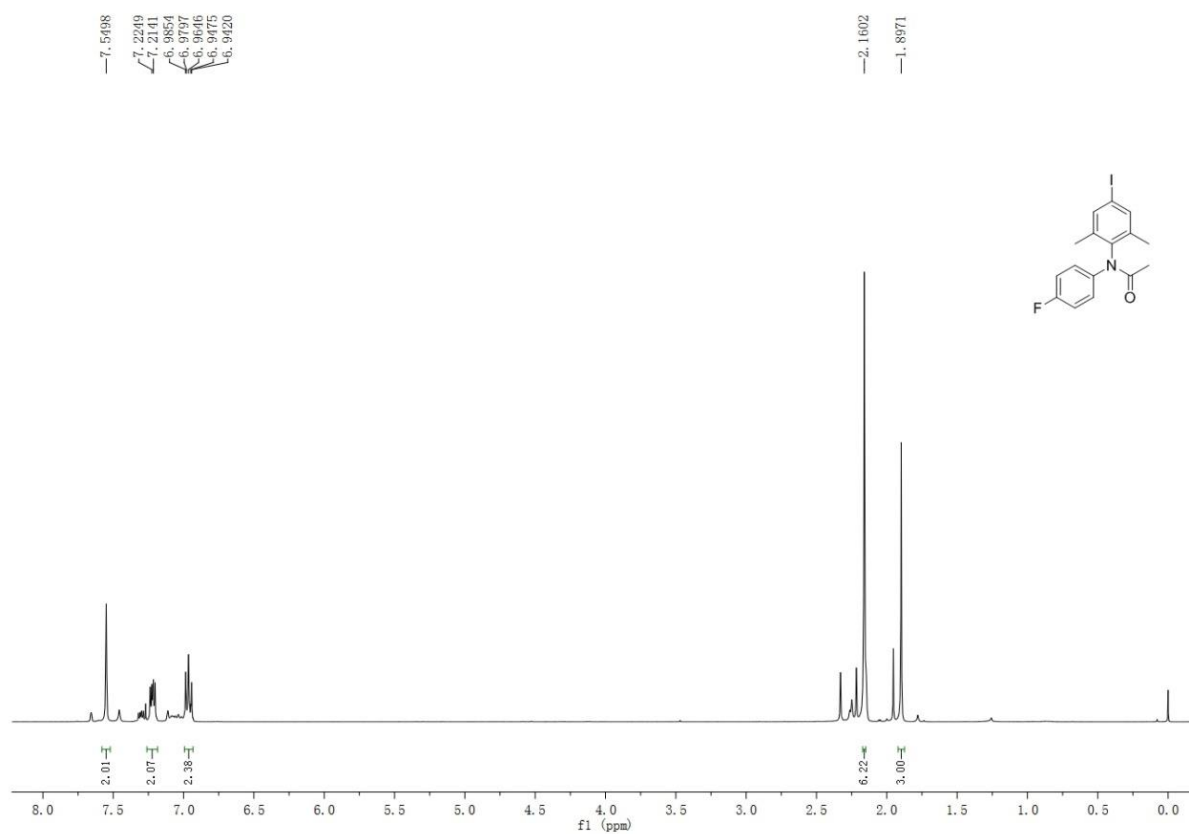
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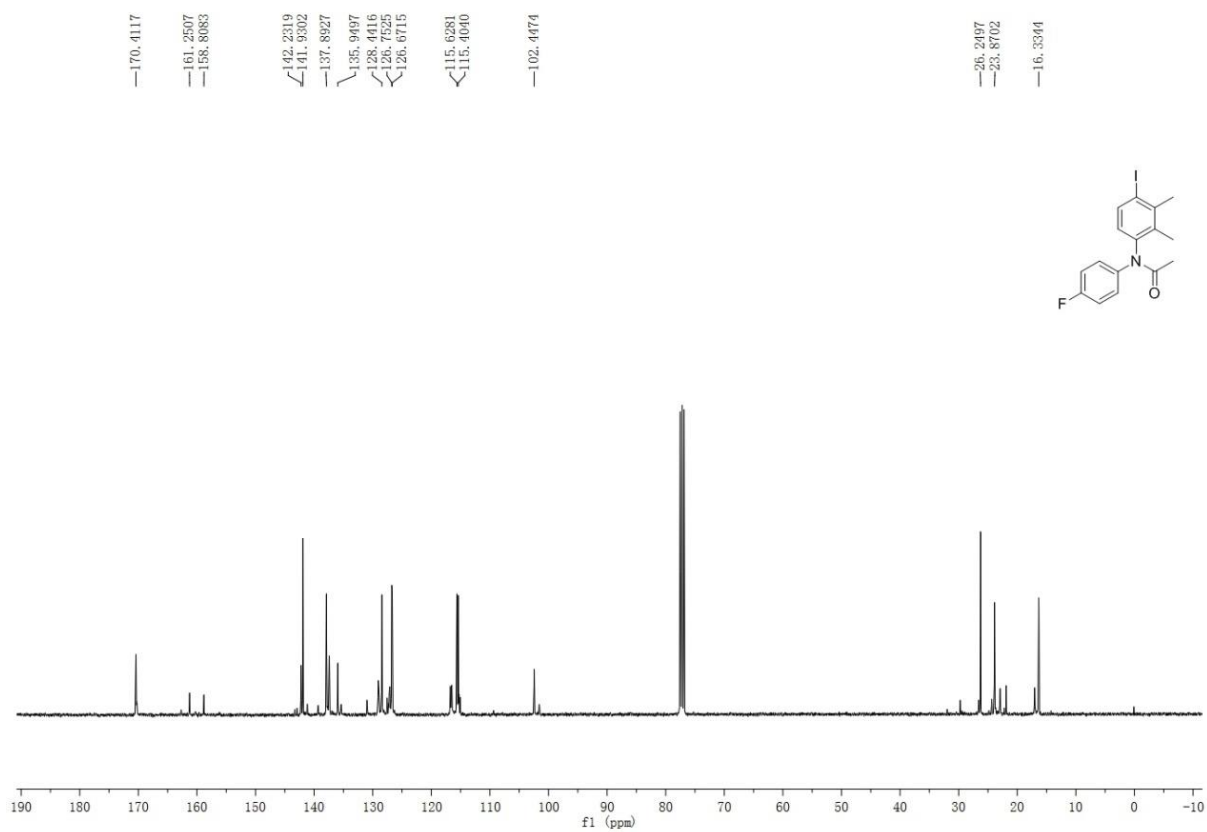
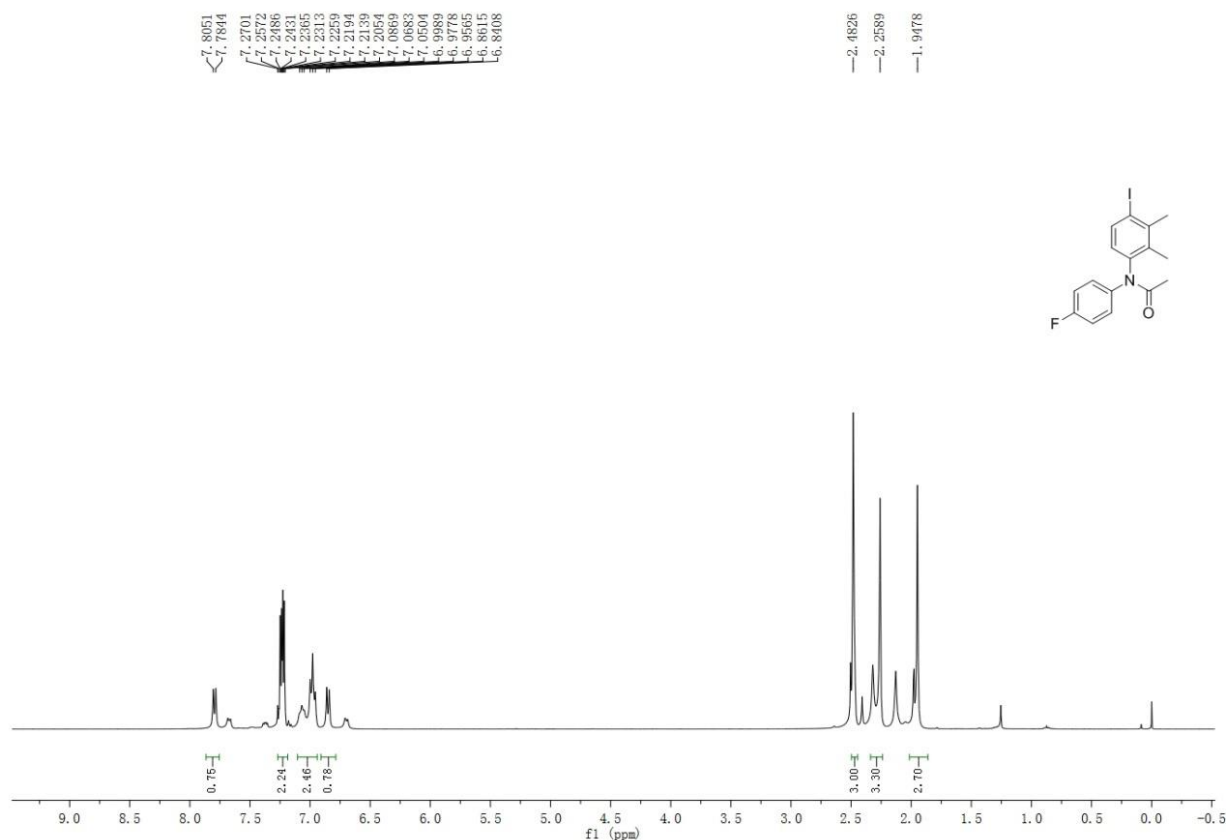
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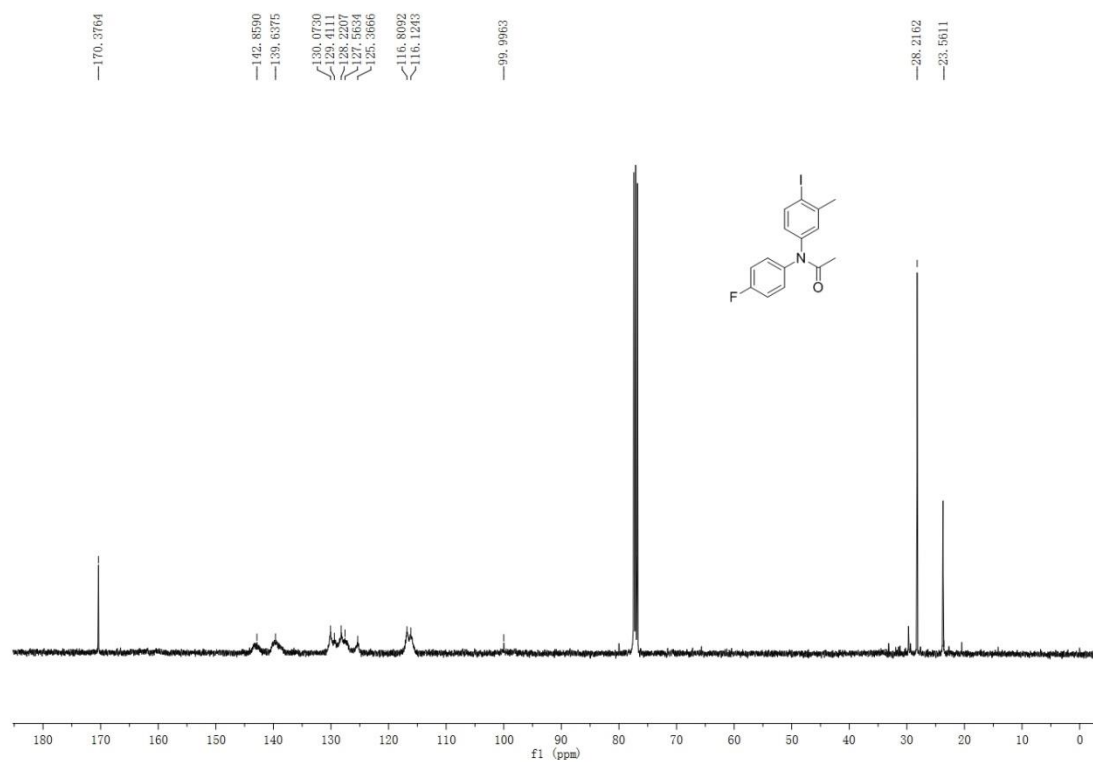
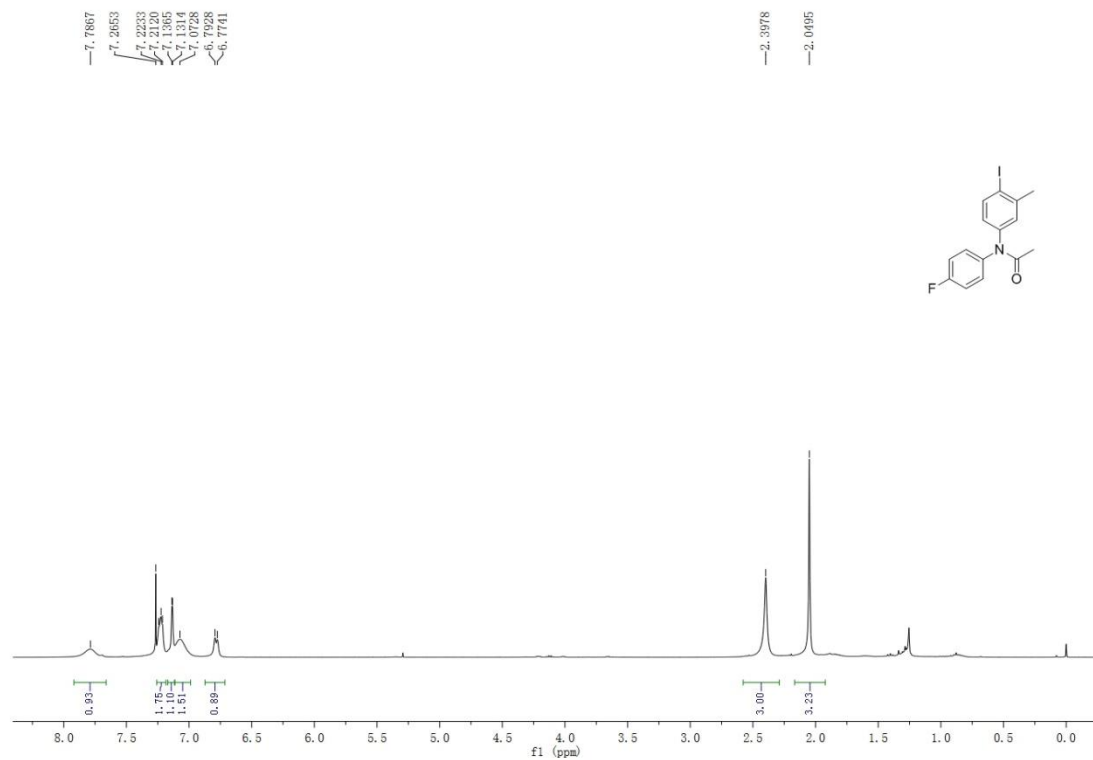
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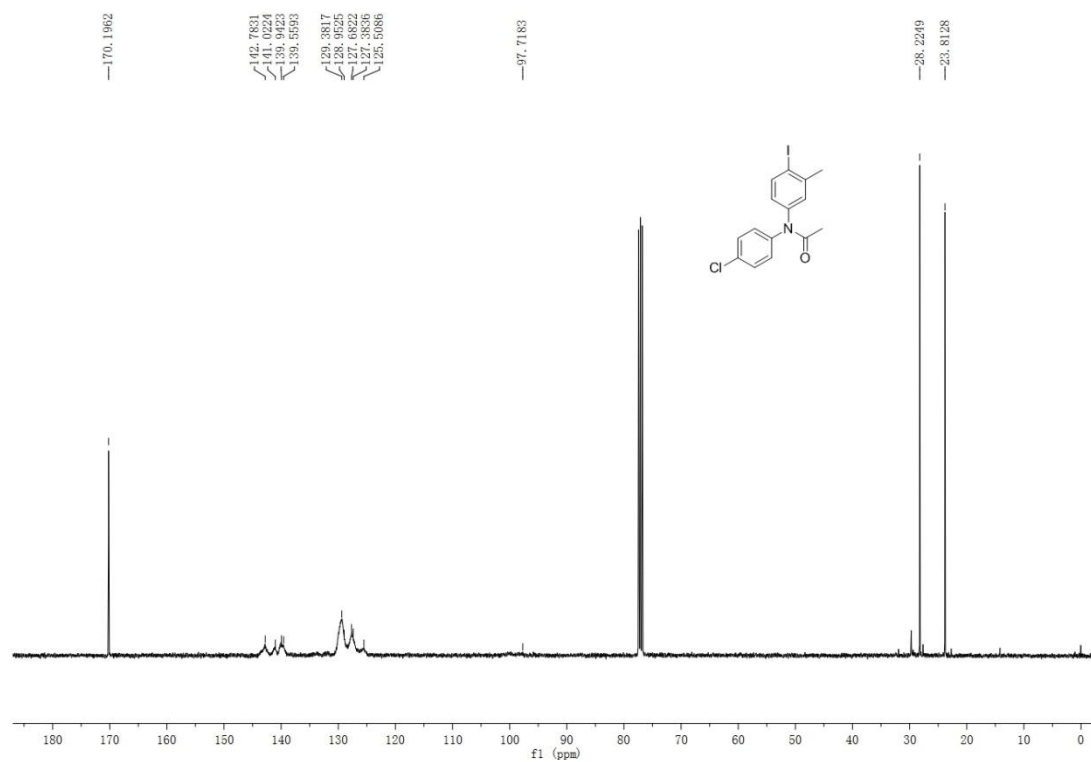
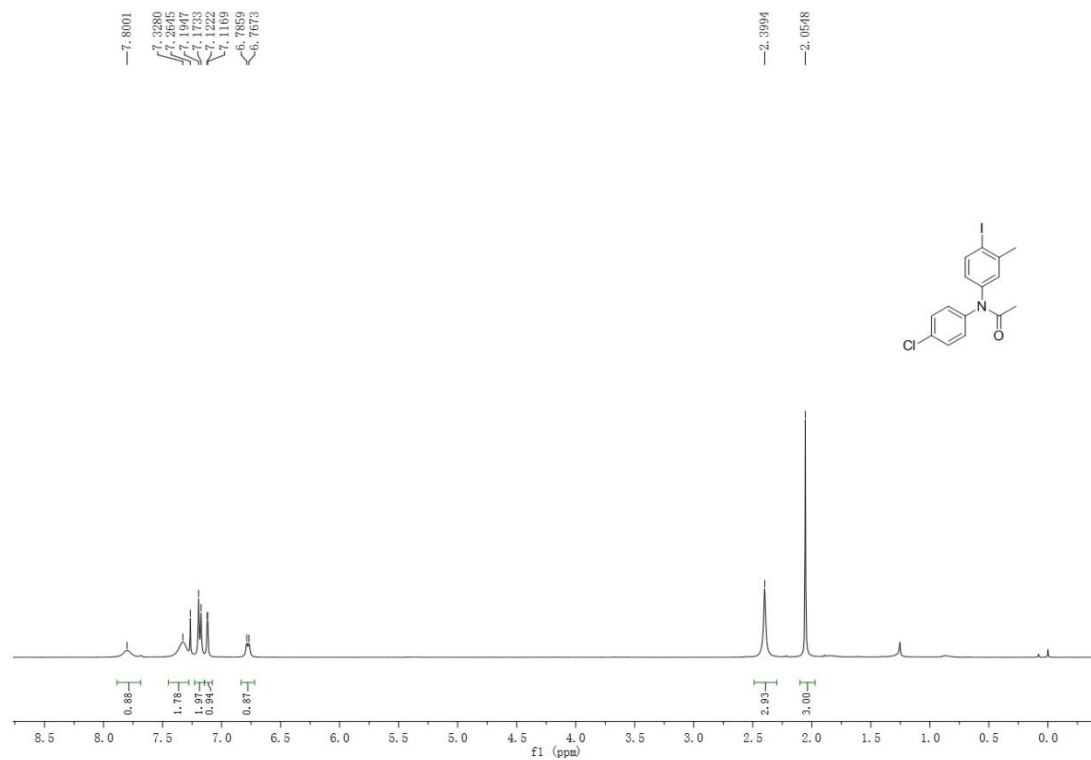
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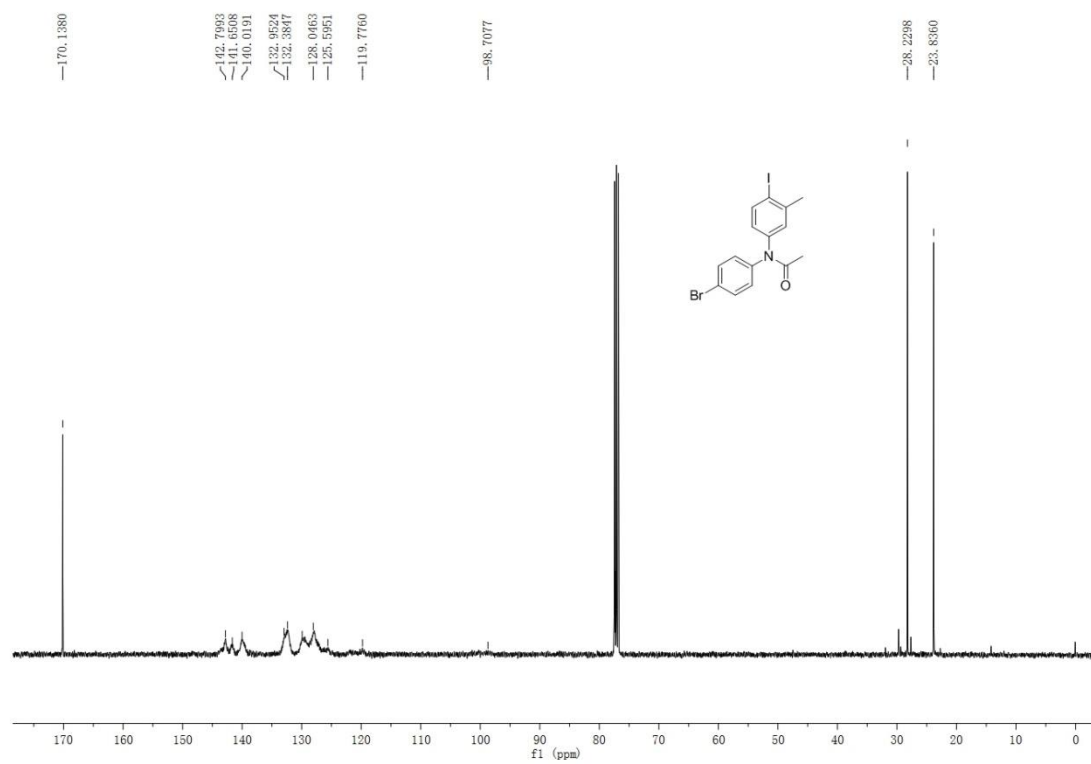
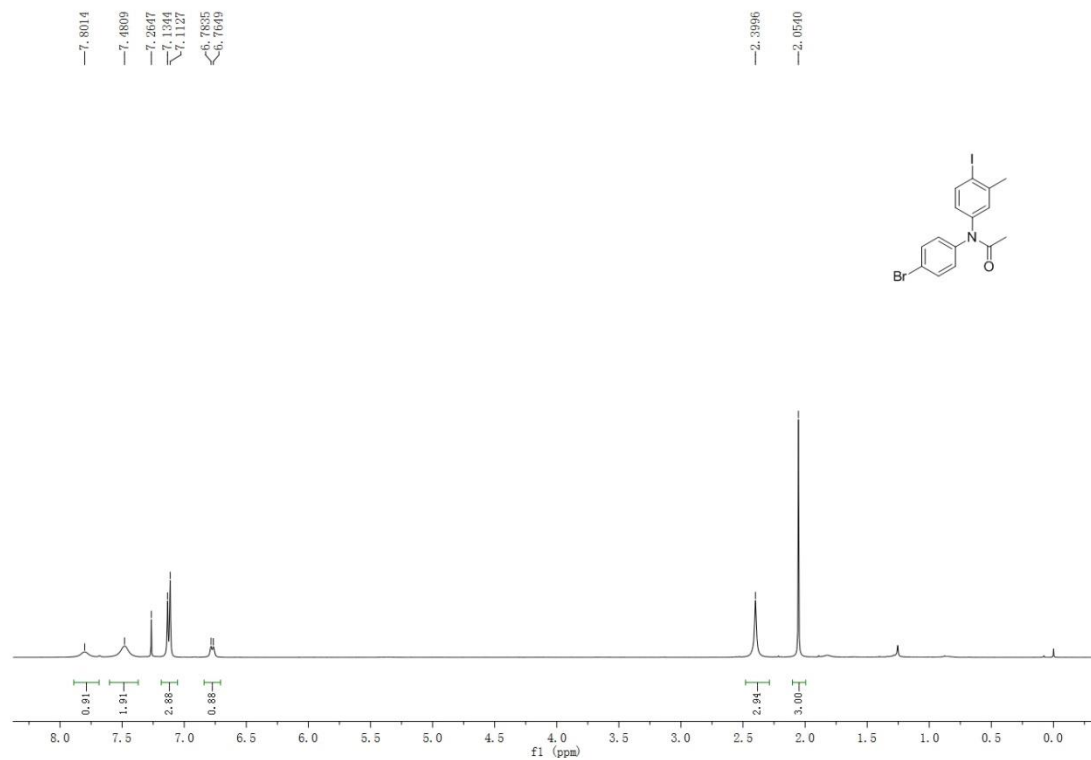
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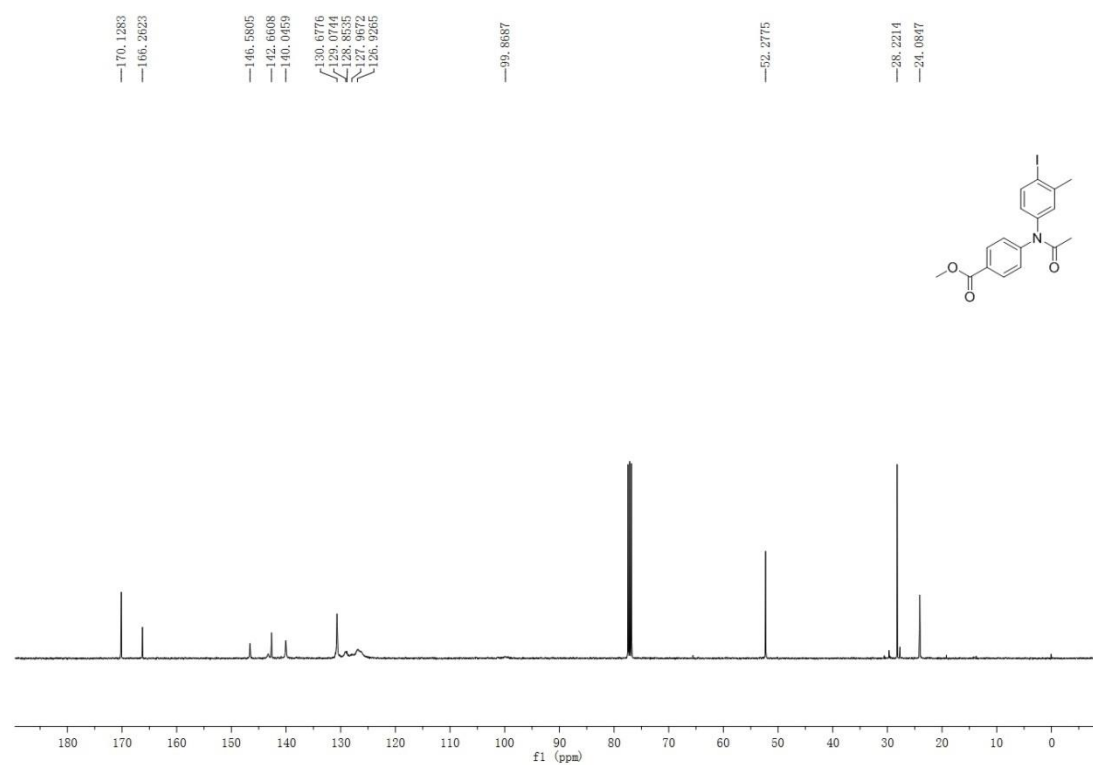
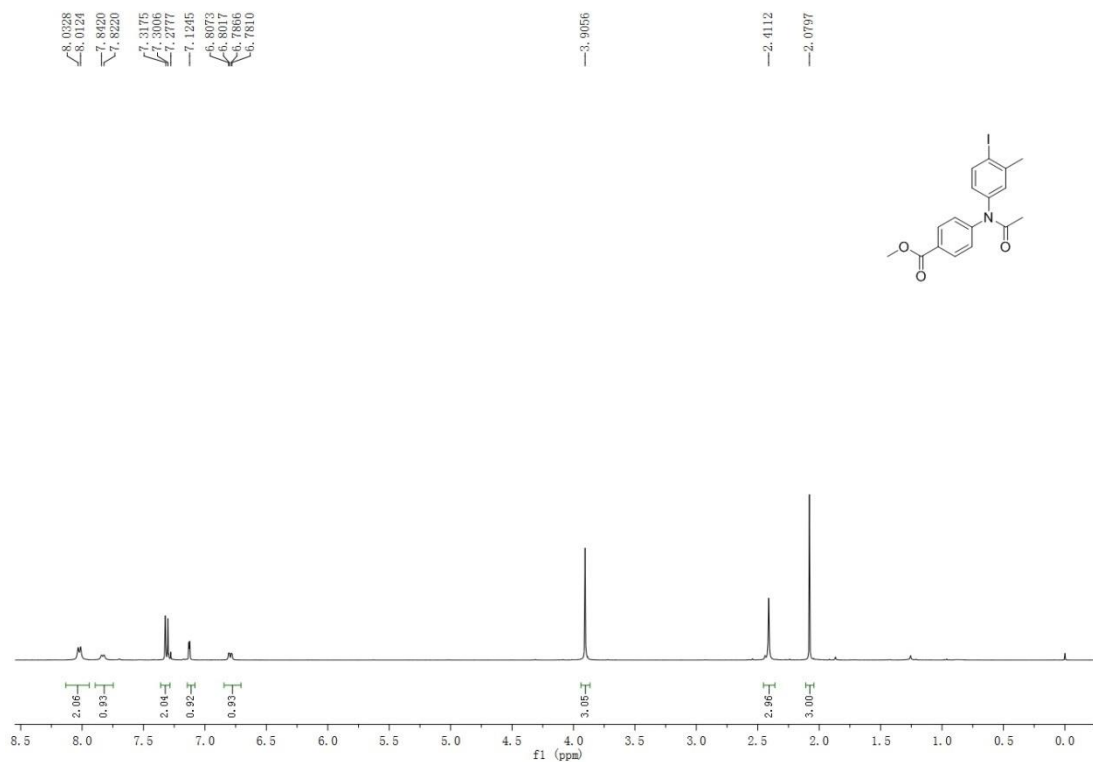
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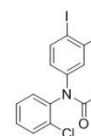
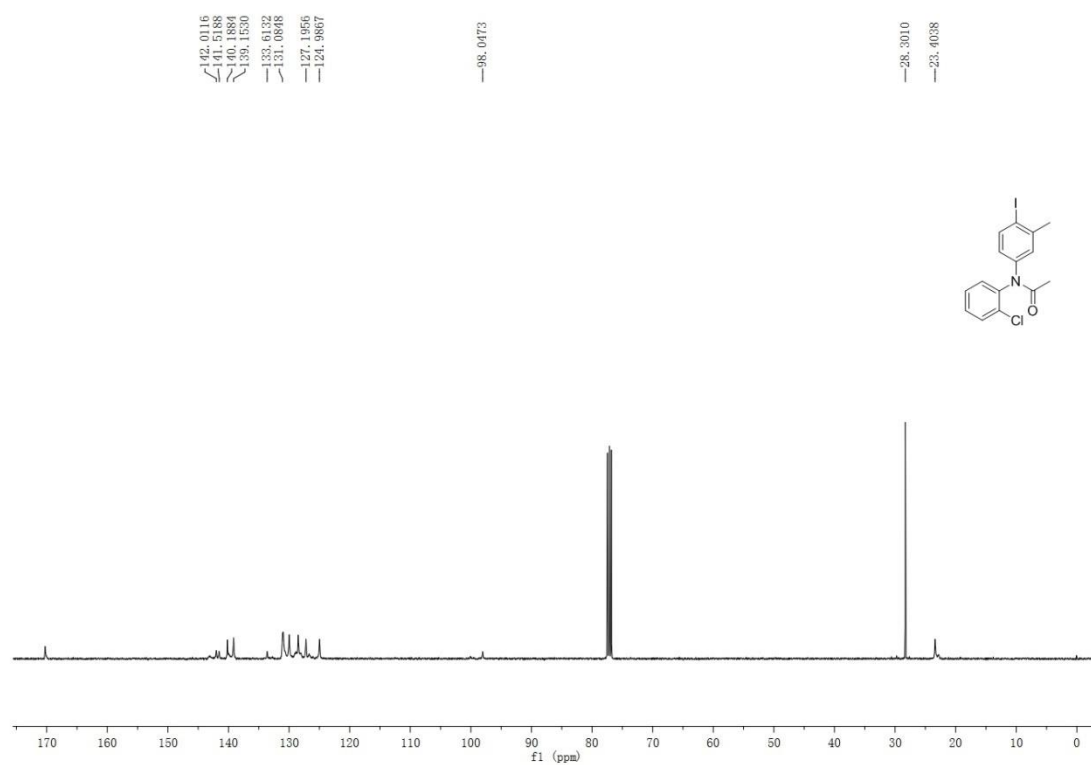
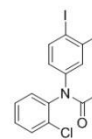
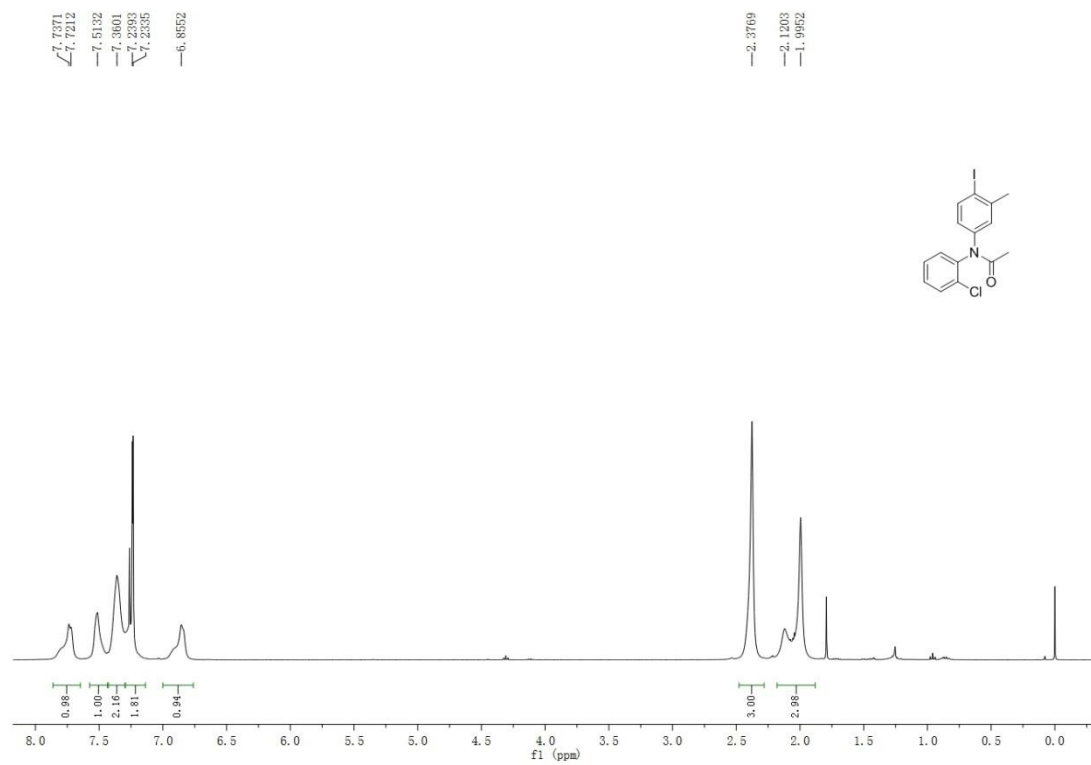
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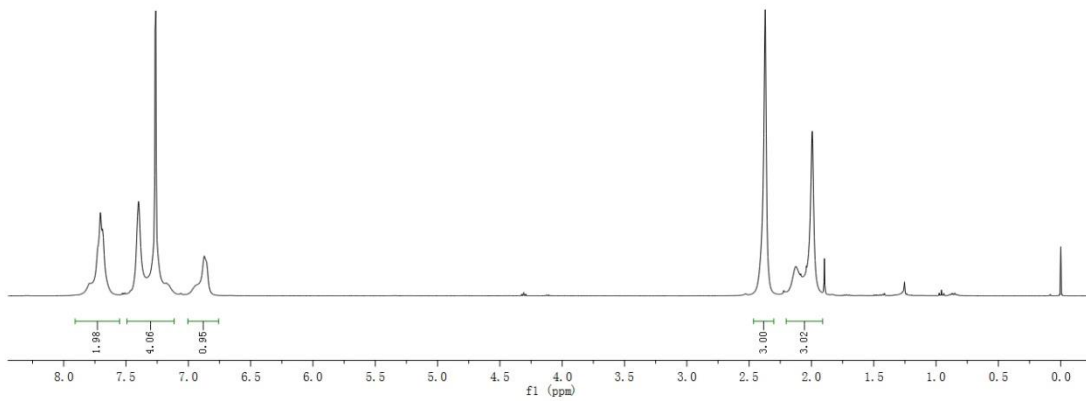
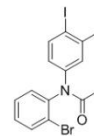
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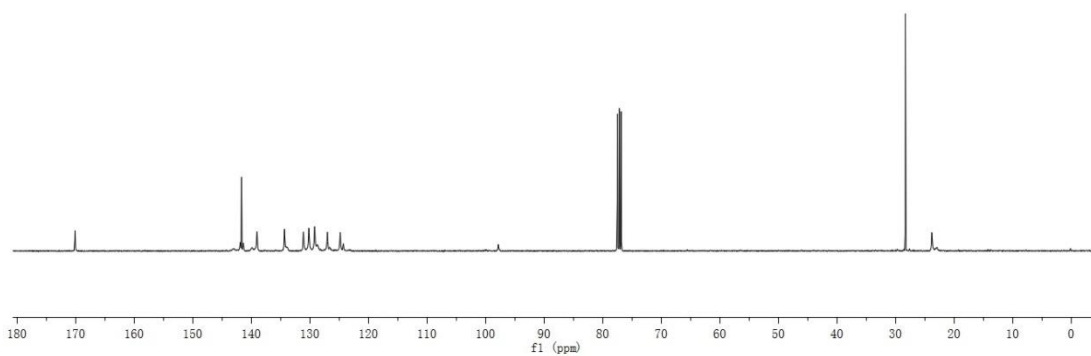
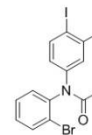


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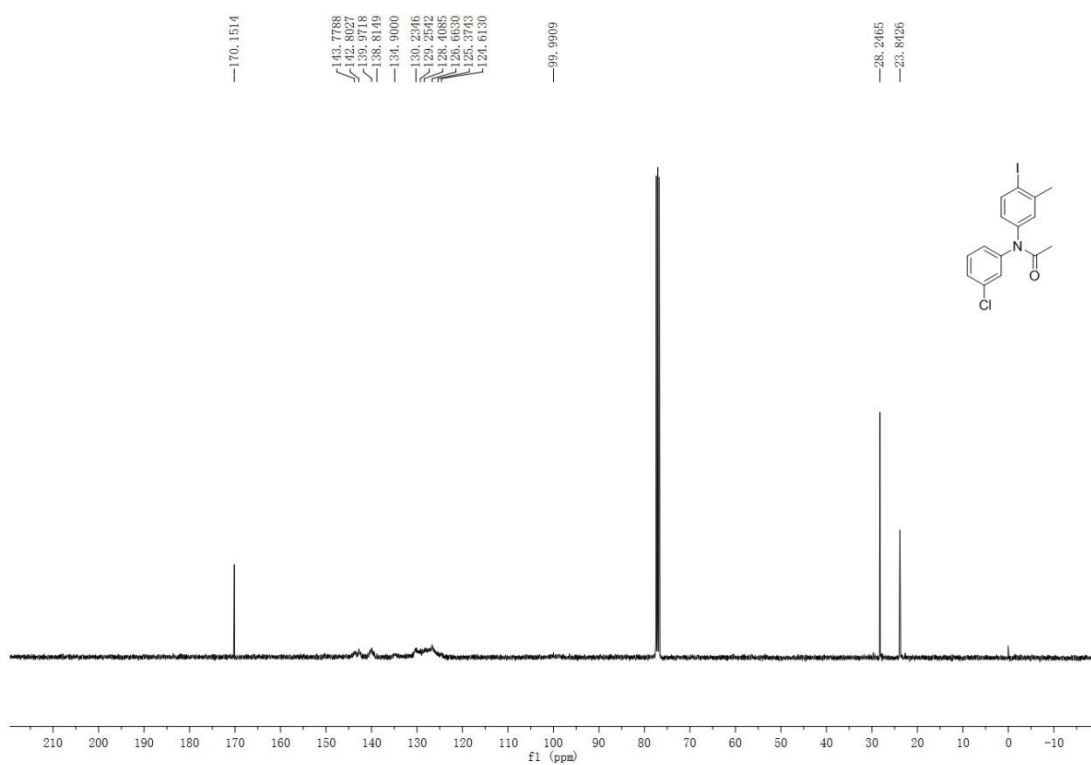
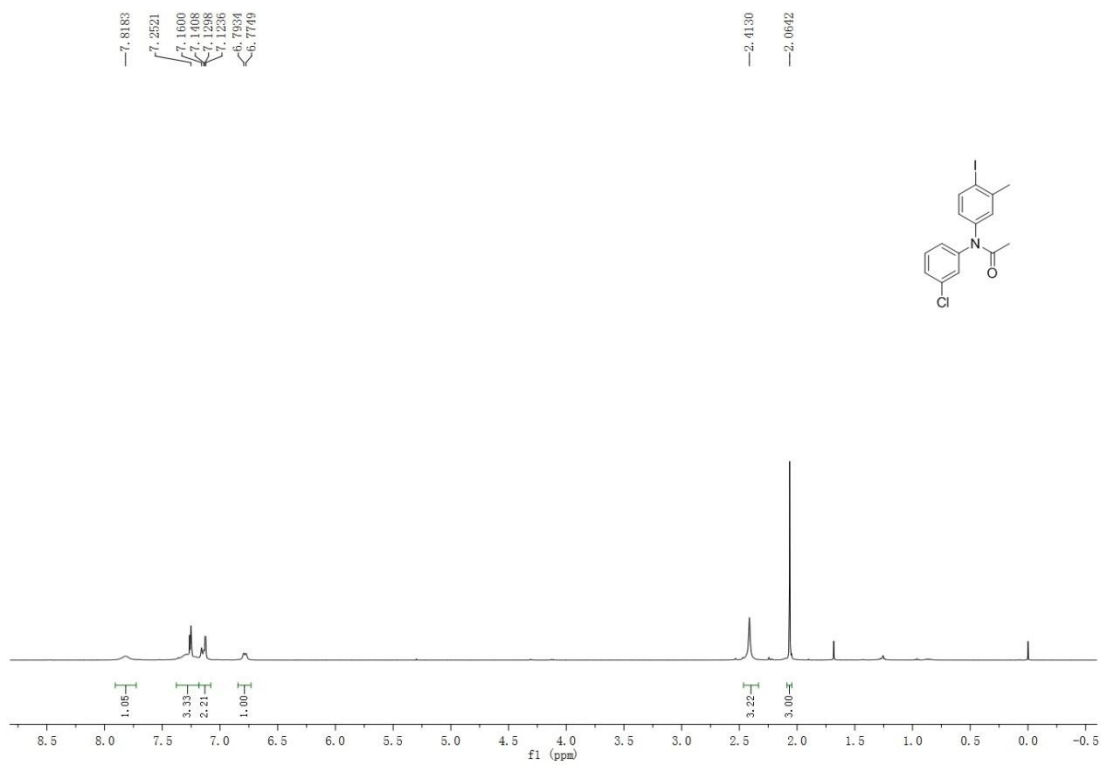
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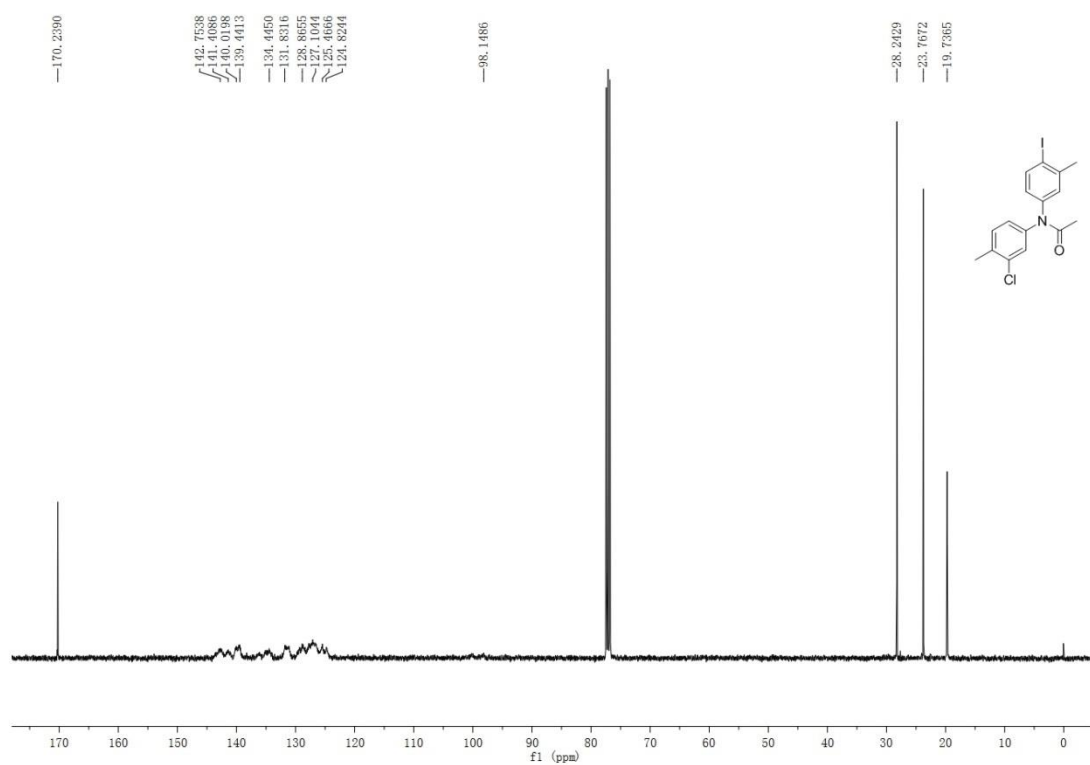
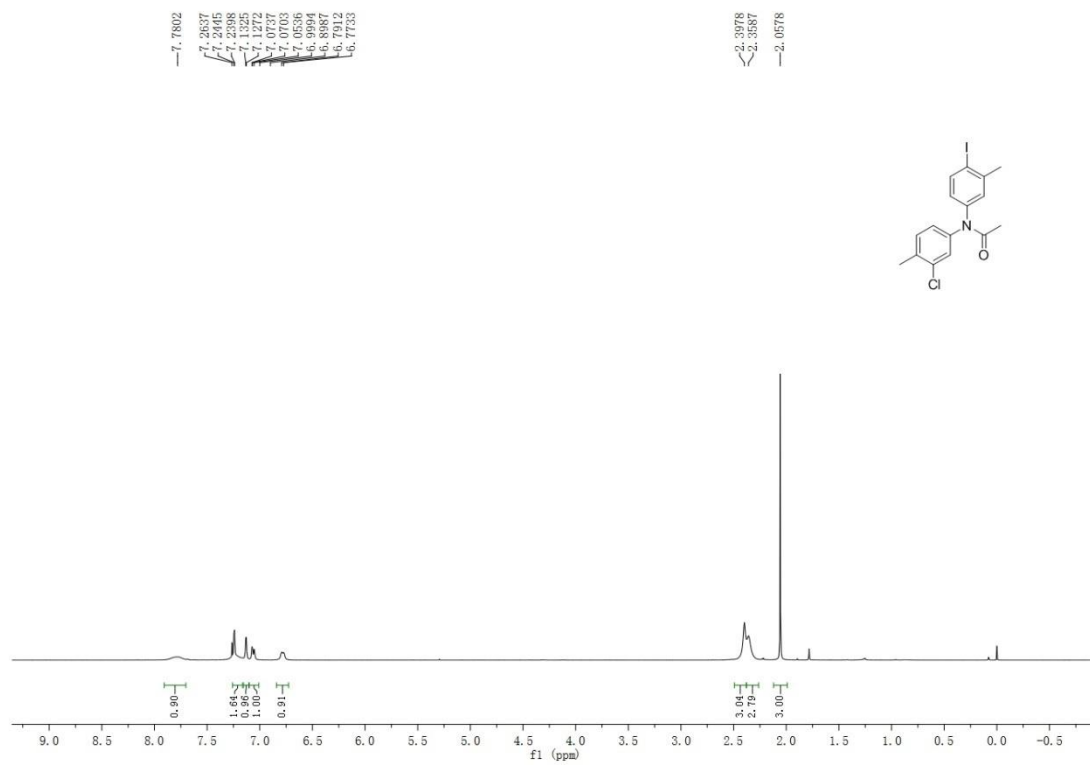
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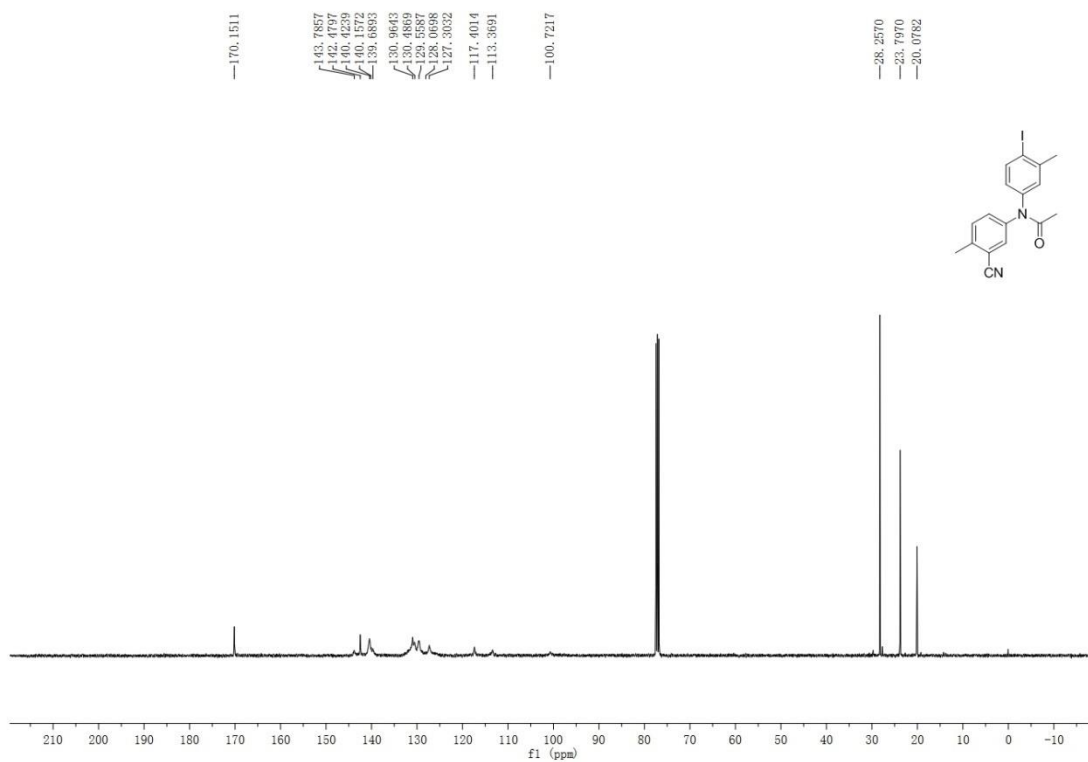
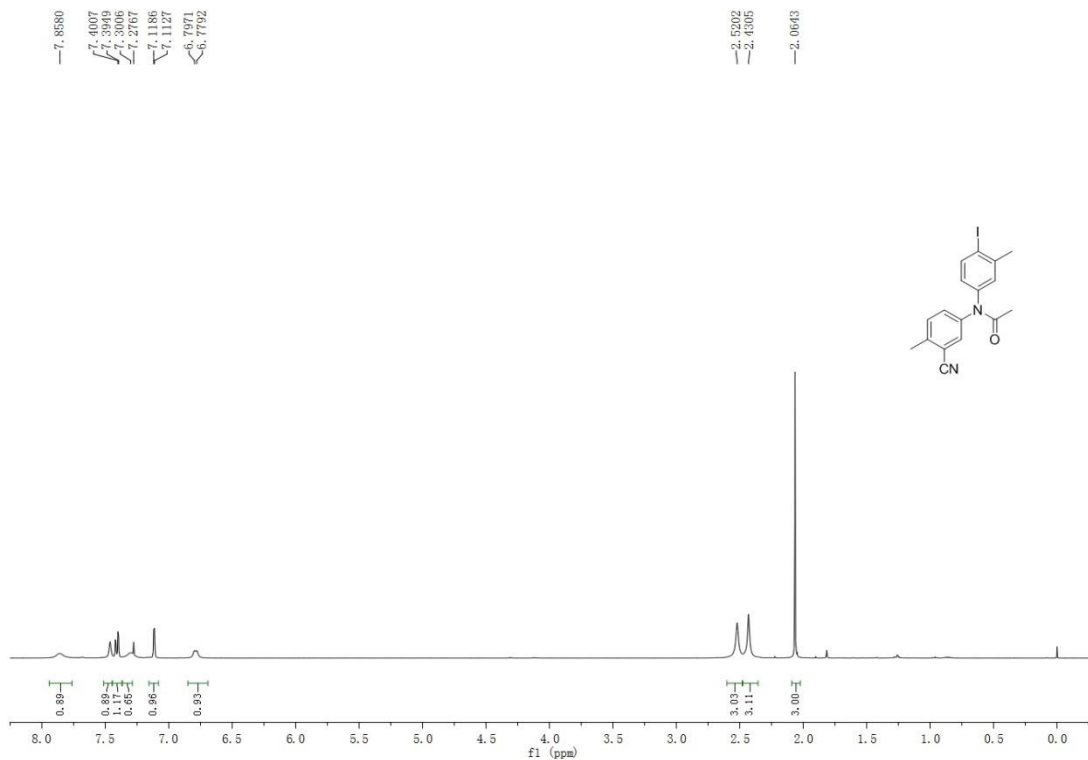
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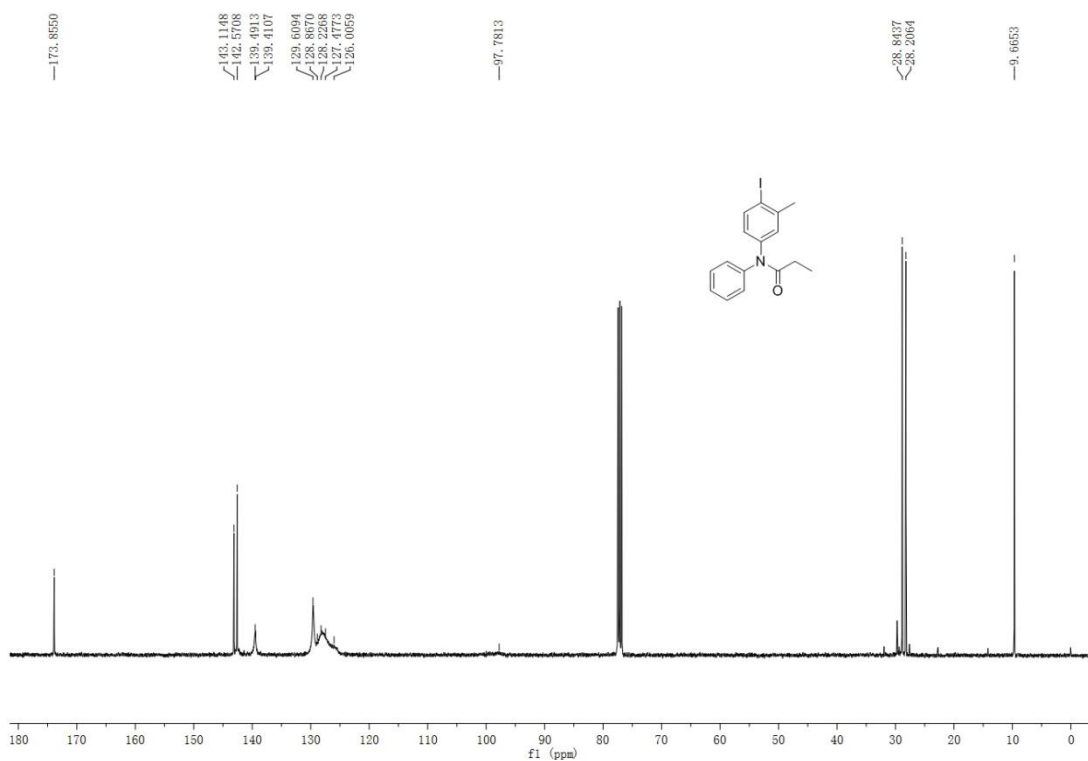
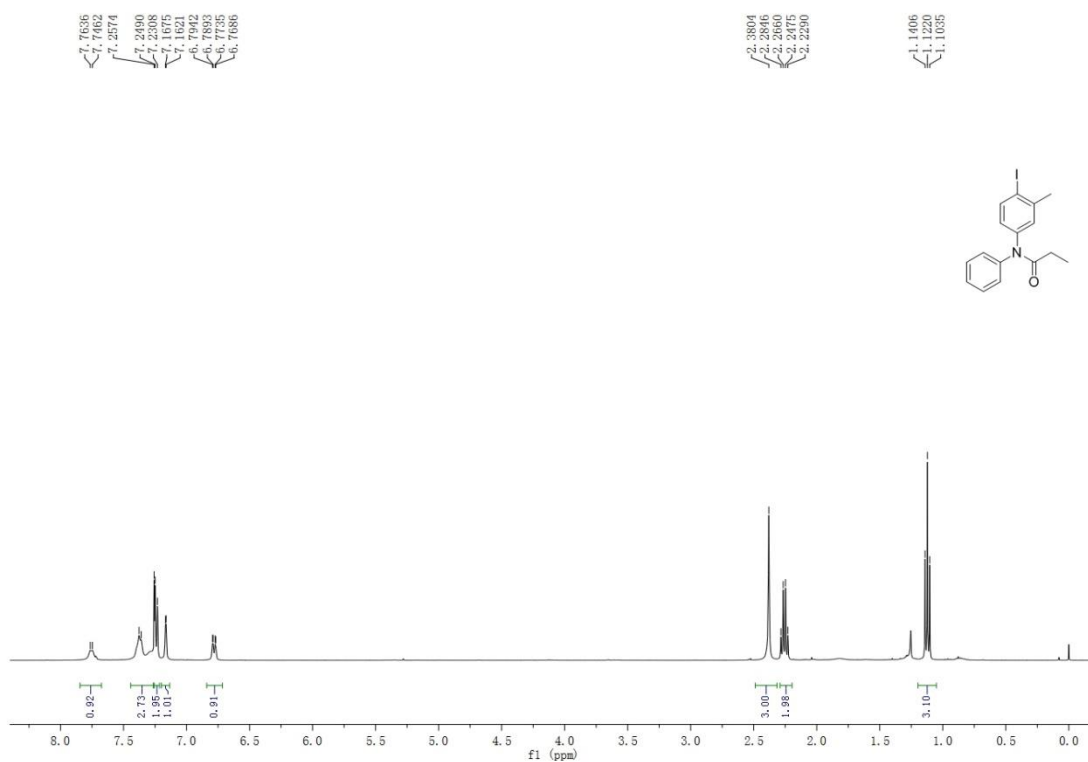
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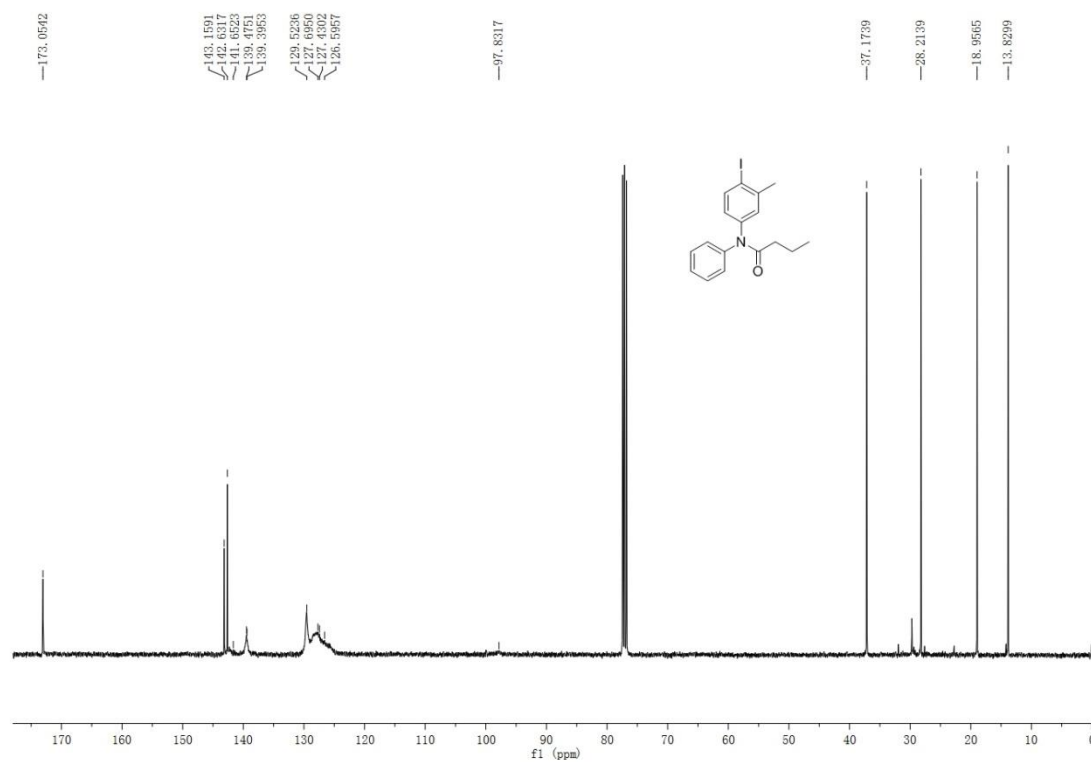
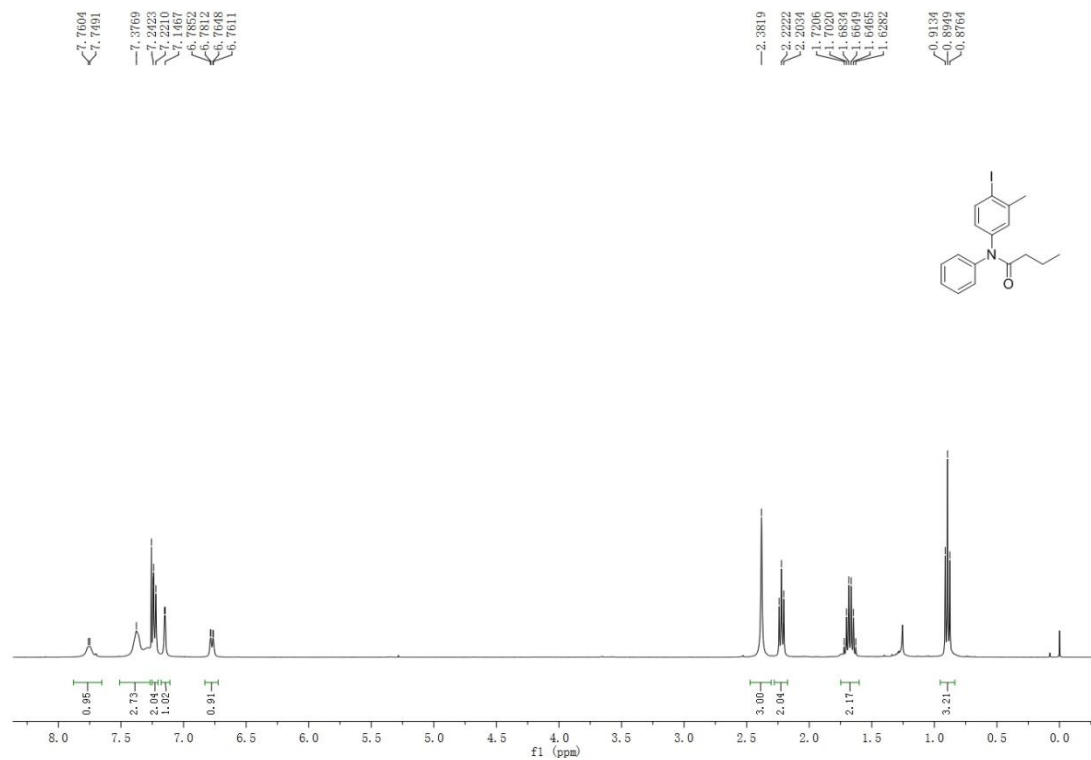
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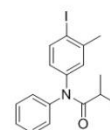
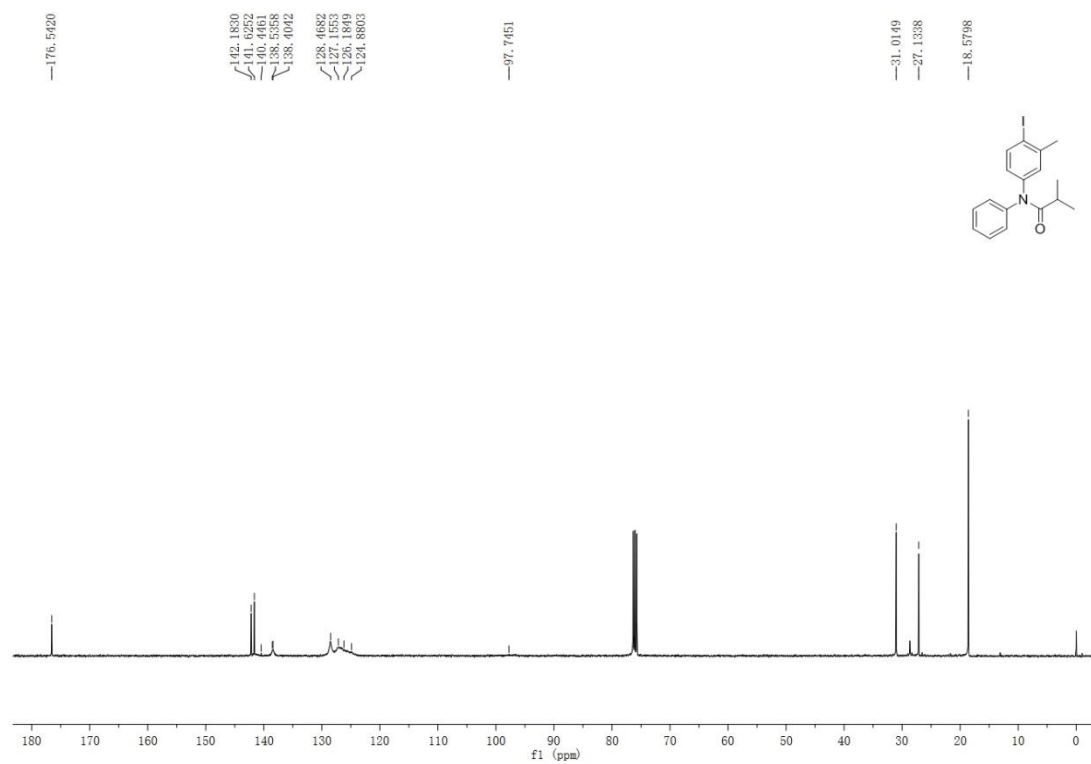
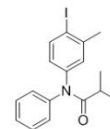
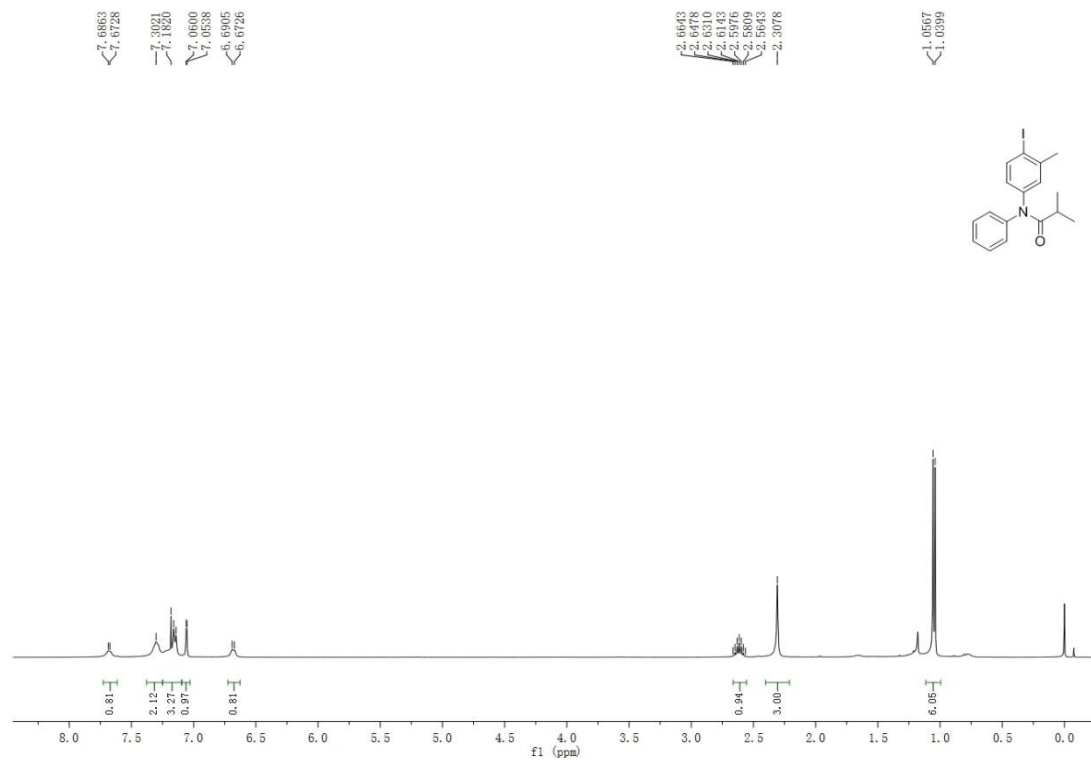
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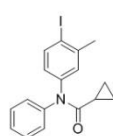
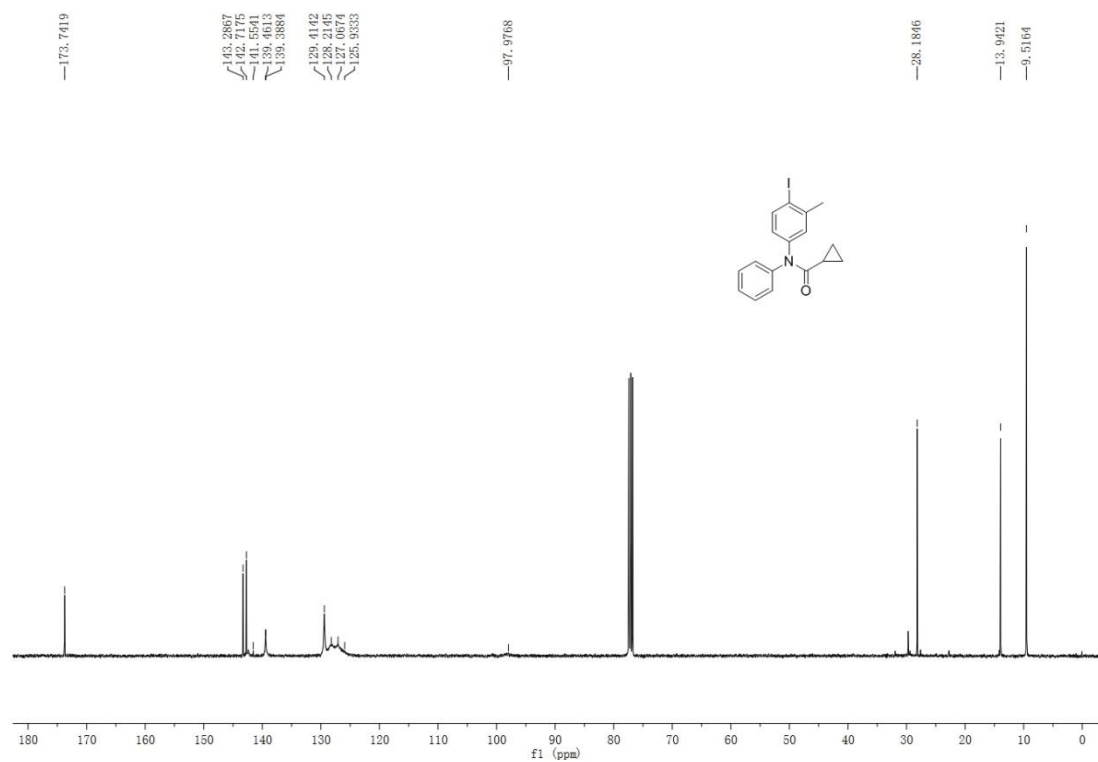
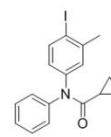
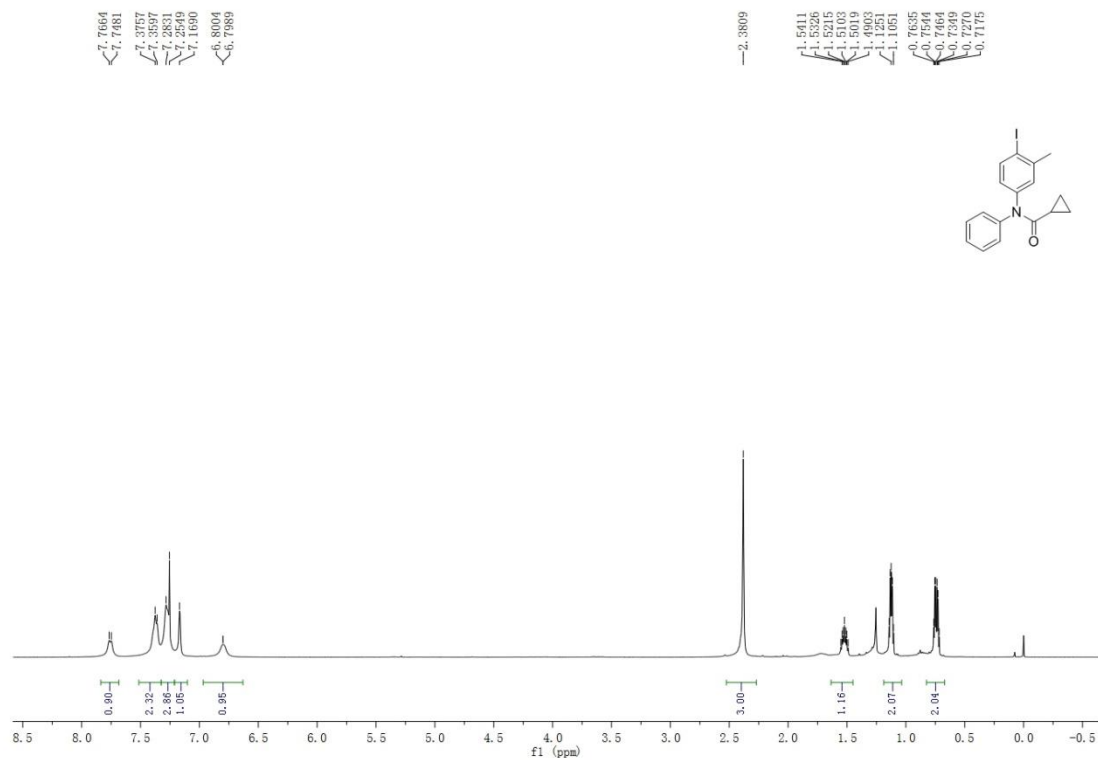
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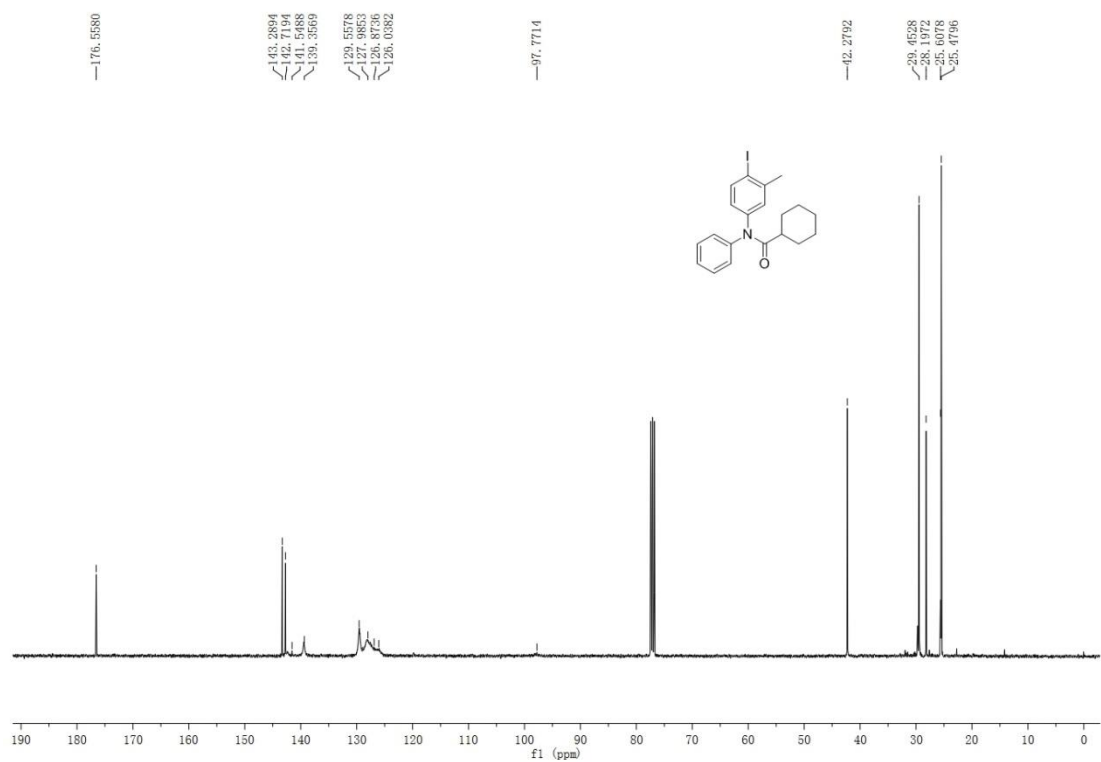
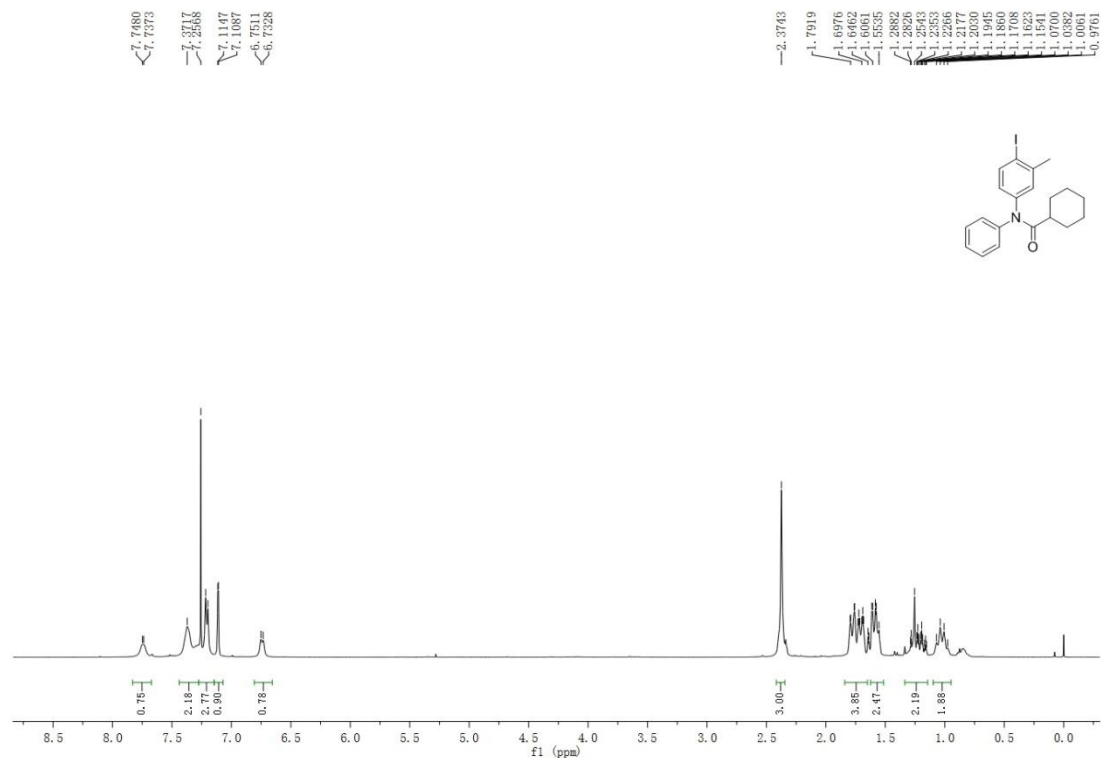
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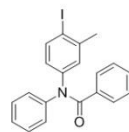
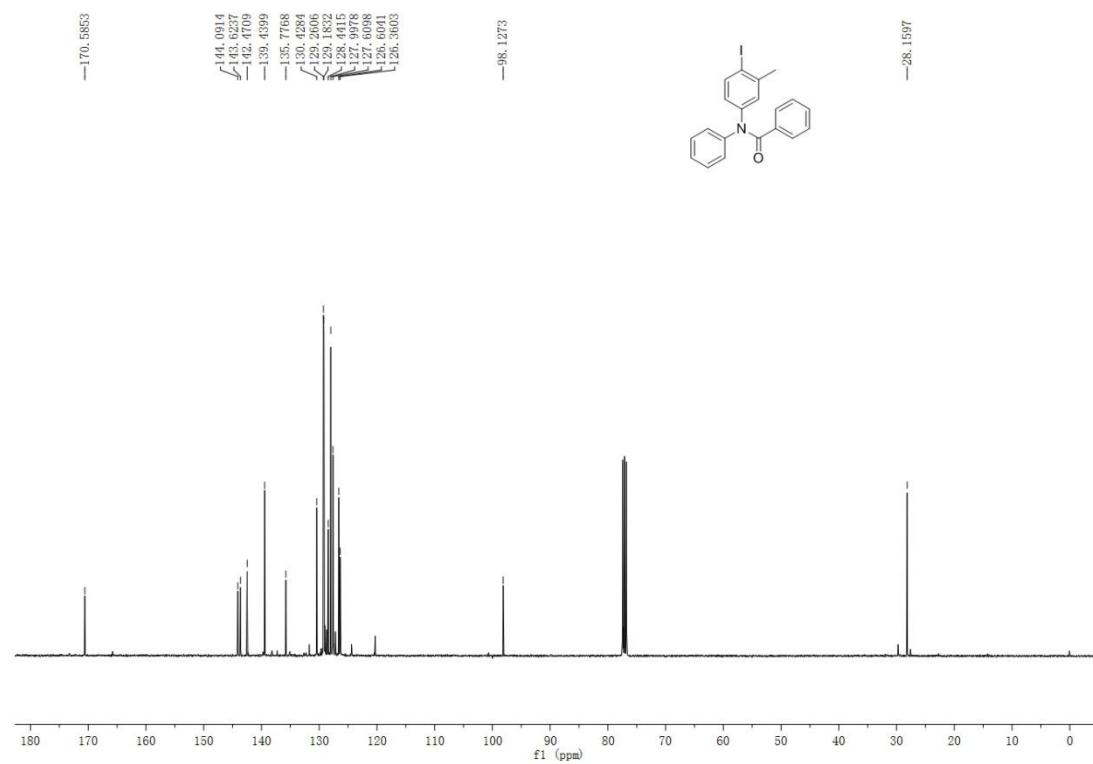
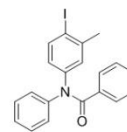
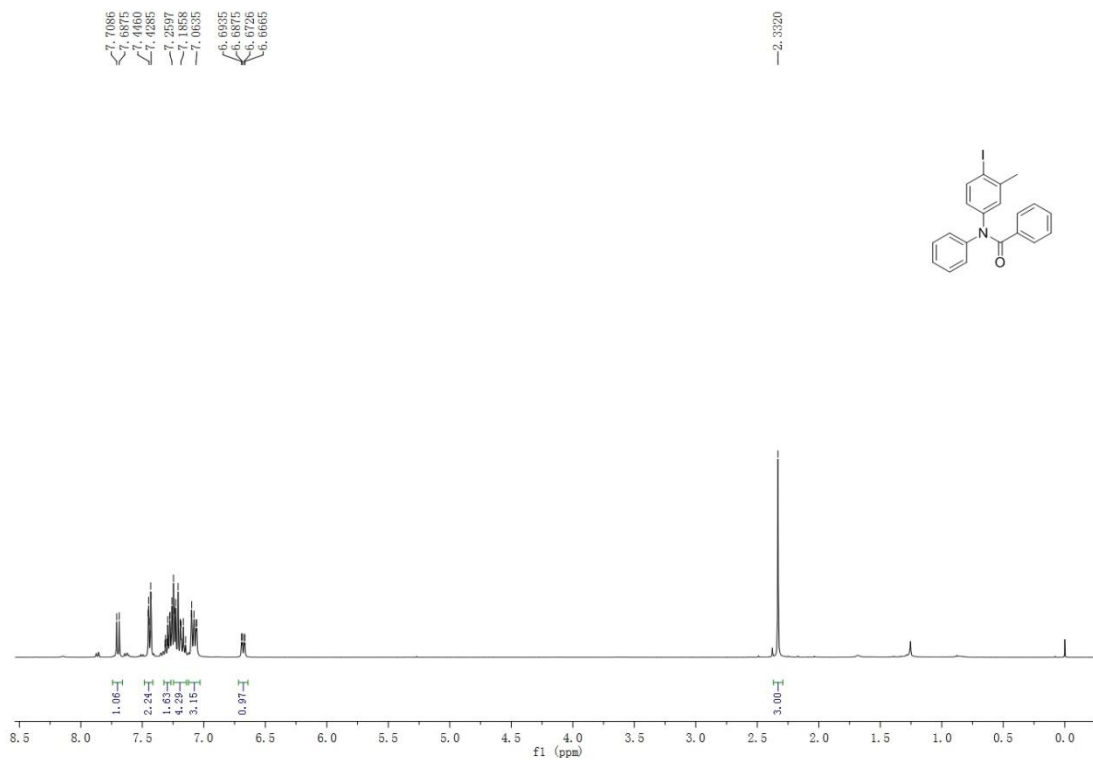
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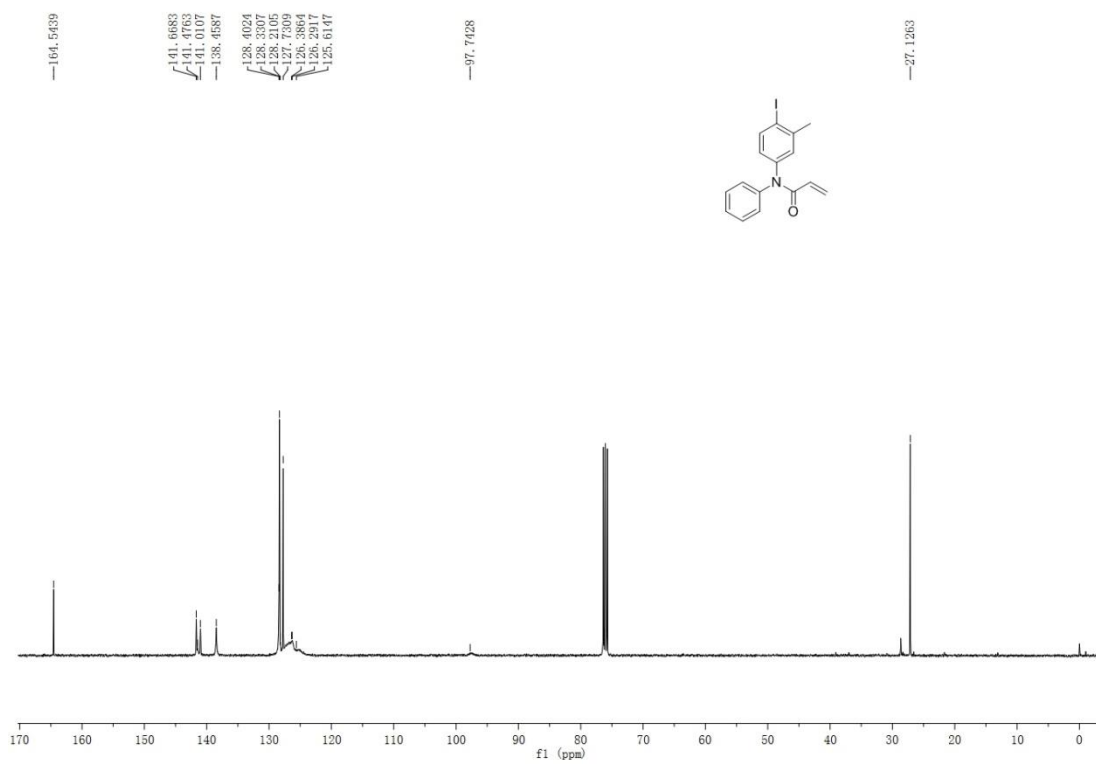
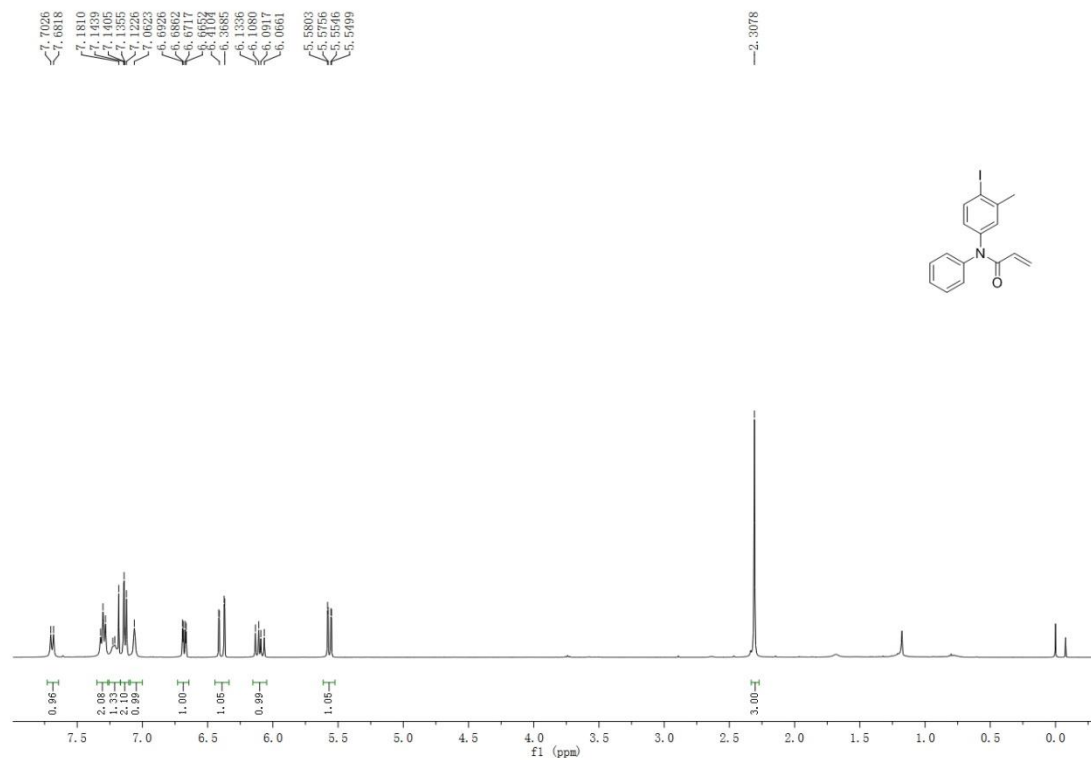
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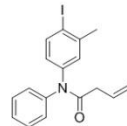
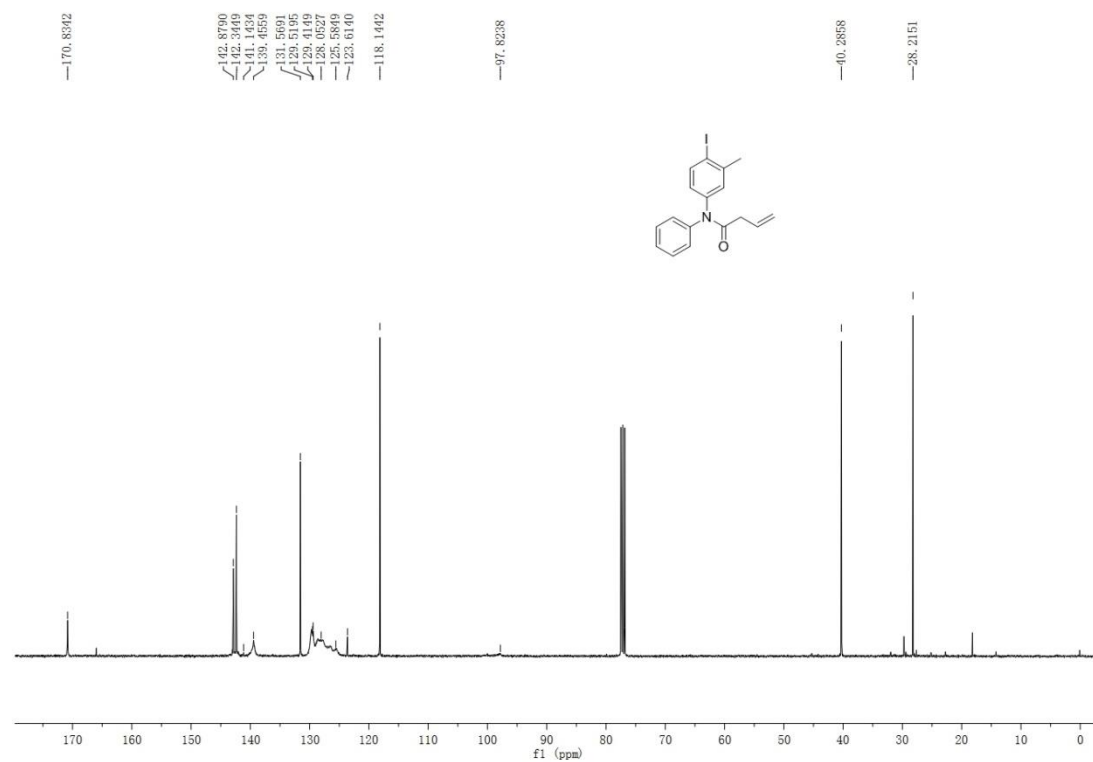
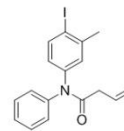
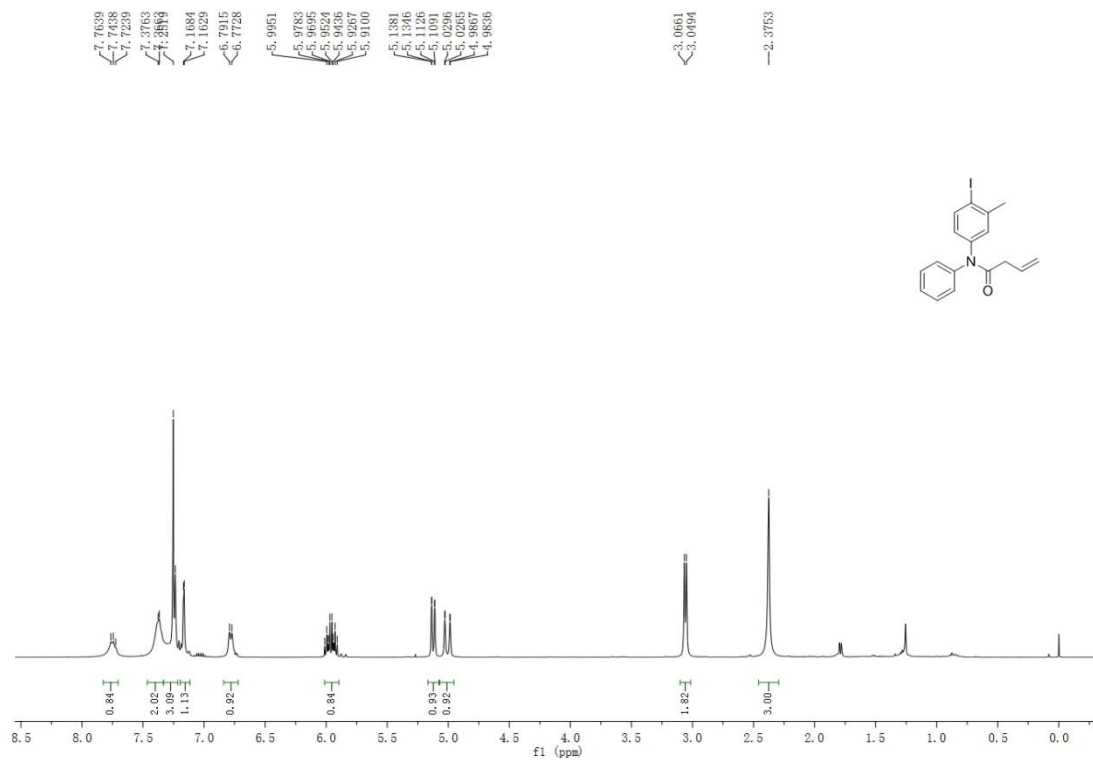
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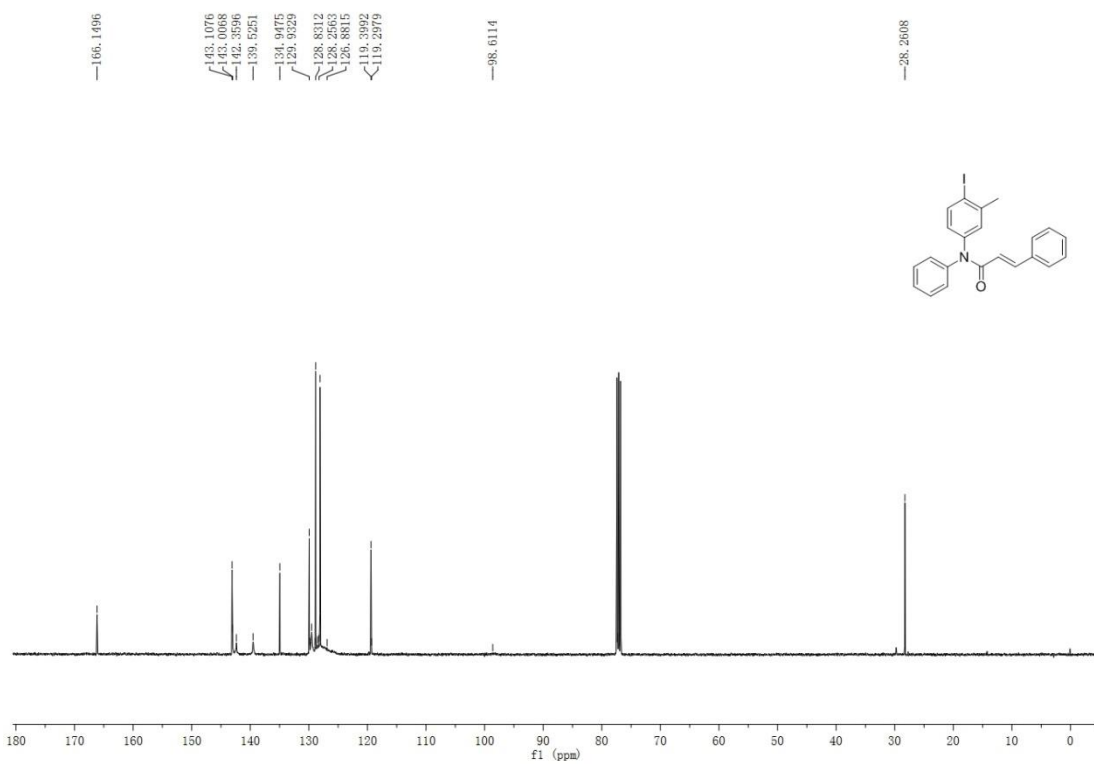
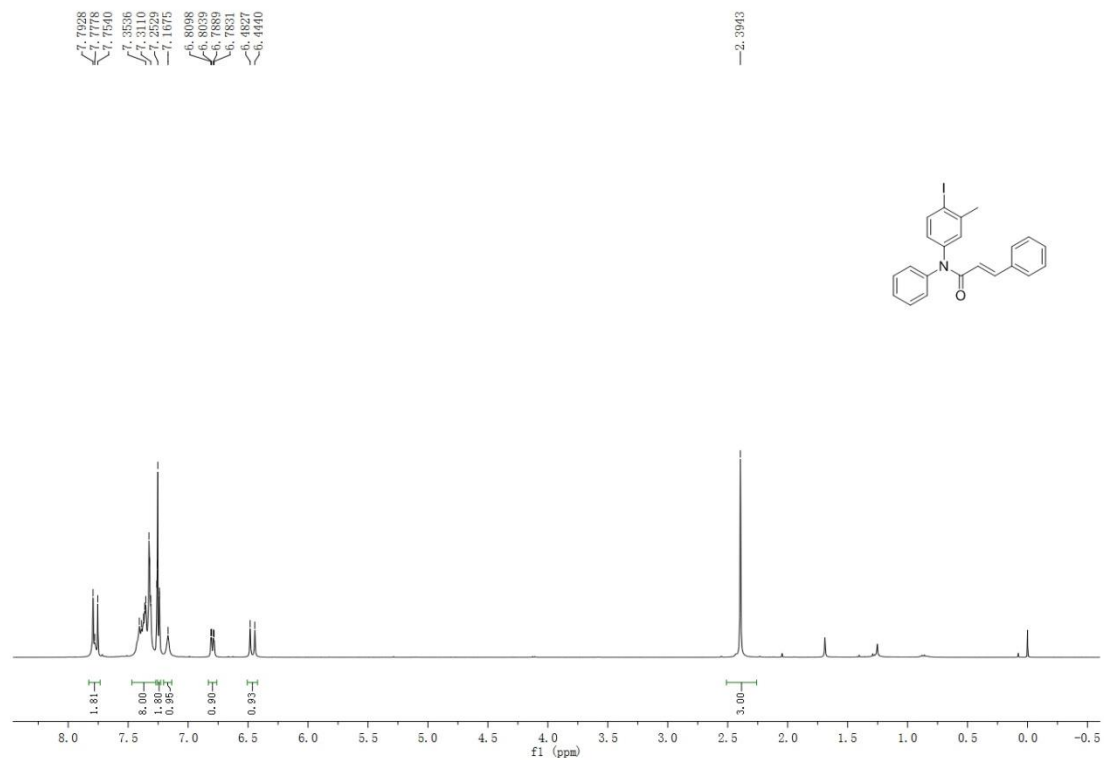
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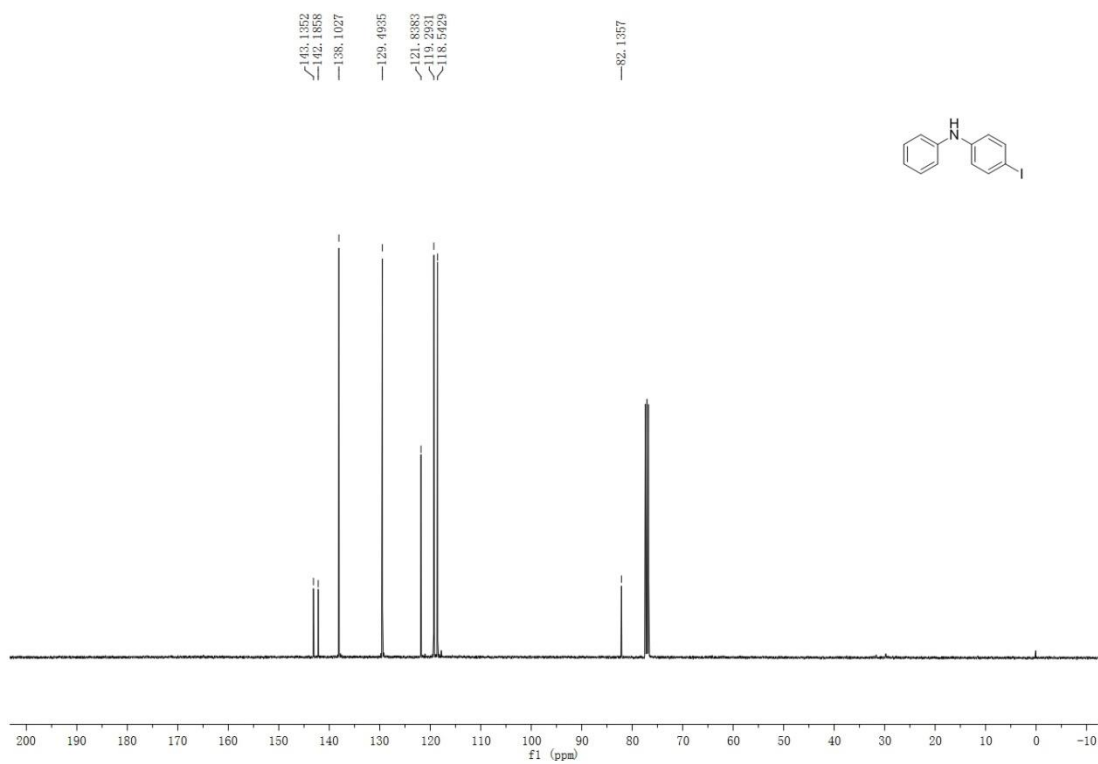
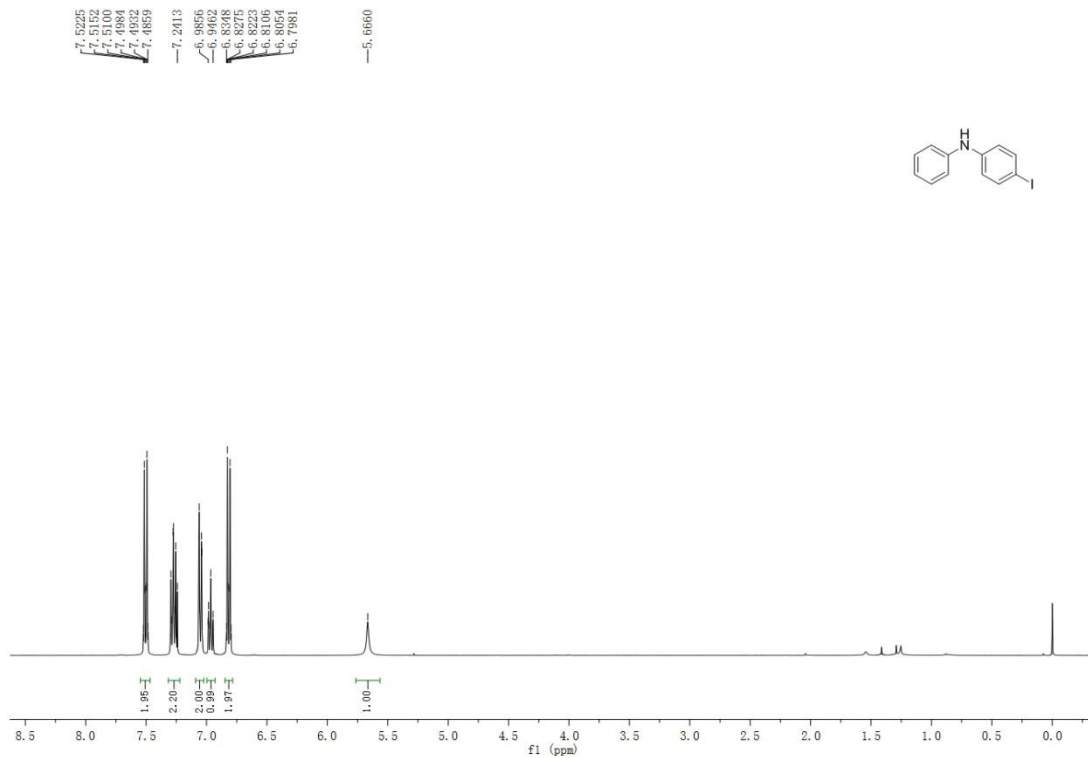
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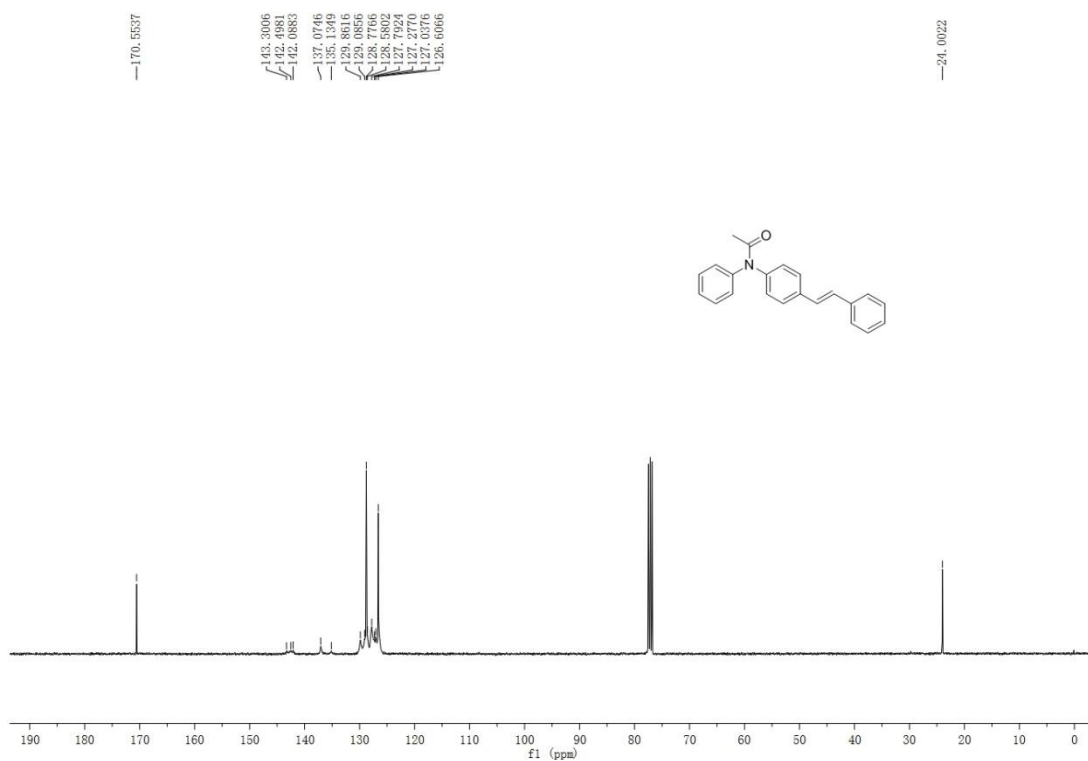
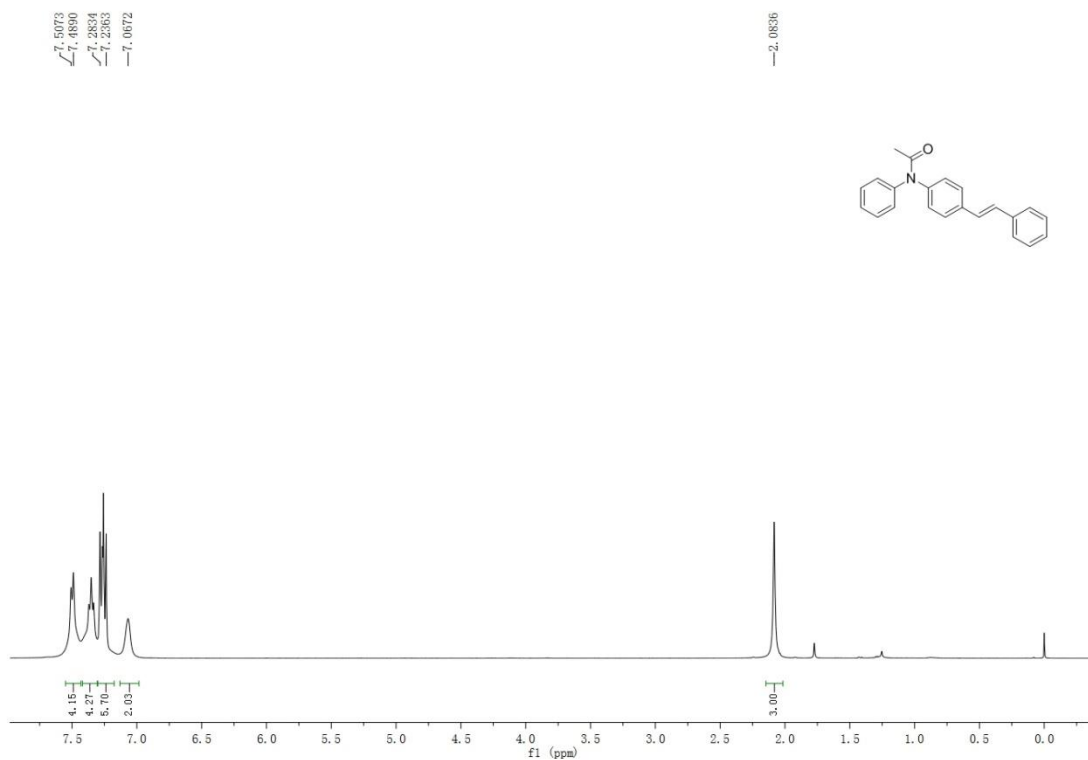
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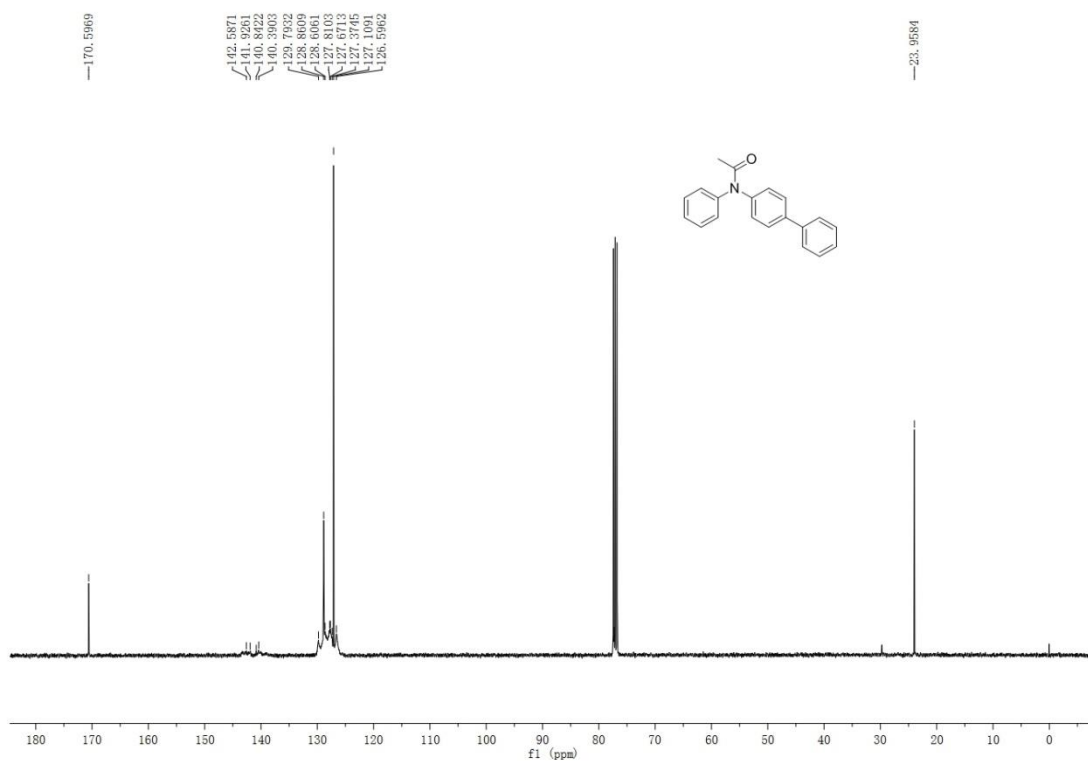
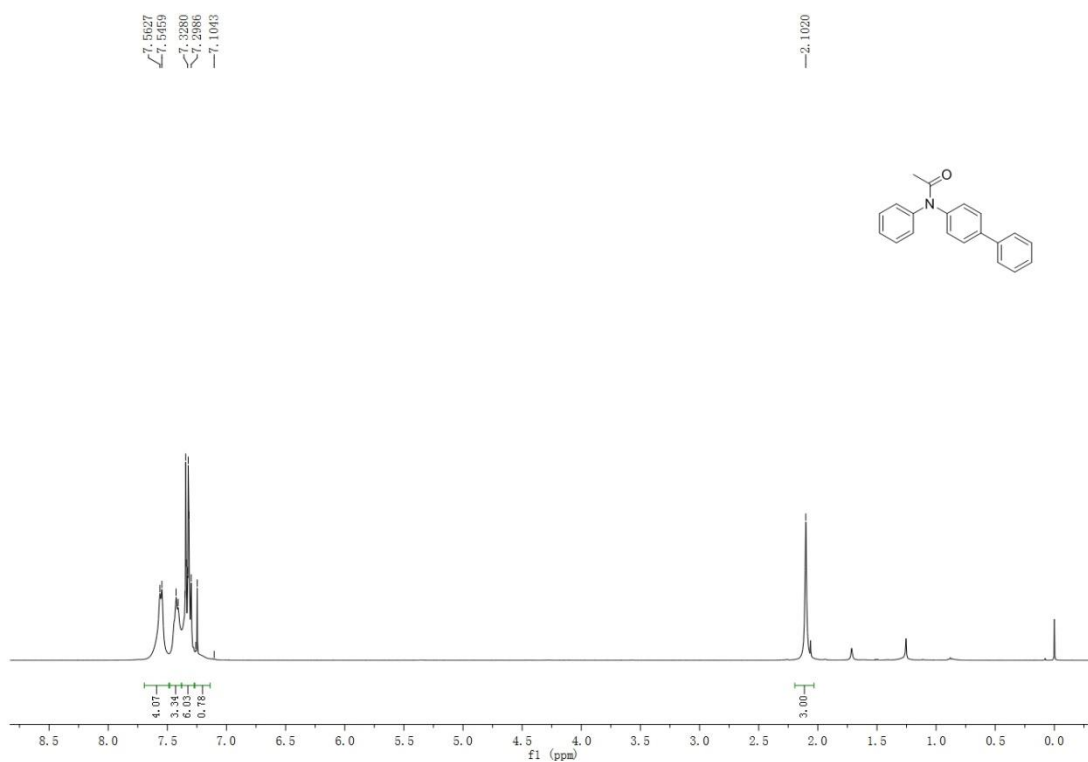
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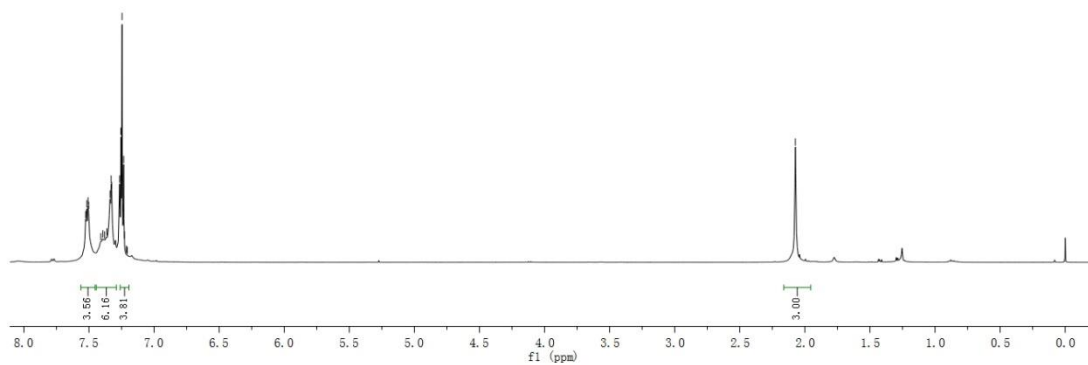
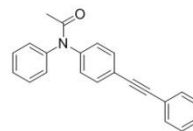
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