

Supporting Information

Cp*Co^{III}-Catalyzed C2-Alkylation of Indole Derivatives with Substituted Cyclopropanols

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1. General Comments:

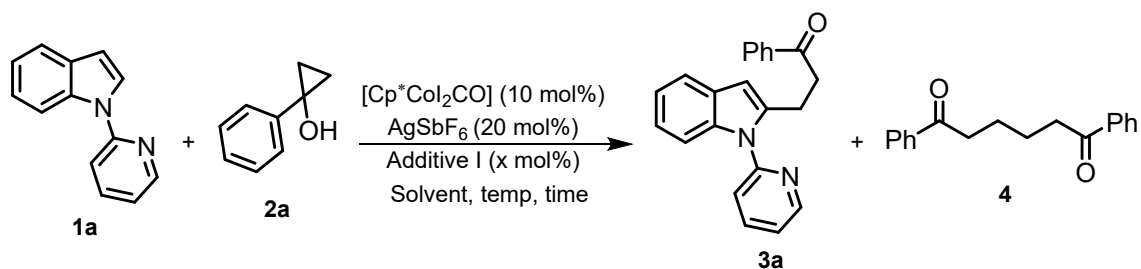
All reactions were carried out in pressure tube under dry nitrogen atmosphere. All the *N*-pyridylindole¹ and cyclopropanol² derivatives were synthesized according to the literature procedure. [Cp*CoI₂CO],^{3a} [Cp*CoI₂]₂^{3b}, [Cp*Co(MeCN)₃](SbF₆)₂^{3c}, and [Cp*Co(MeCN)₃](SbF₆)₂^{3d} were synthesized according to the literature procedure. Dry solvents were prepared through standard procedure and stored over using molecular sieves 4Å under N₂ atmosphere. Column chromatography was performed using silica gel (100-200 mesh) and ethyl acetate-hexanes with various percentage of polarity depending on the nature of the substrate as an eluent, unless otherwise specified.

2. Analytical Methods:

NMR data were recorded on 400 and 500 MHz spectrometers. ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were referenced to signals of either deuterated solvents or residual protiated solvents. Infrared spectra were recorded on a Thermo Nicolet iS10 FT and Jasco ATR-IR spectrometer. HRMS were recorded by electron spray ionization (ESI) method on a Q-TOF Micro with lock spray source.

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3. Optimization: Cobalt(III)-catalyzed alkylation of 1a with 2a

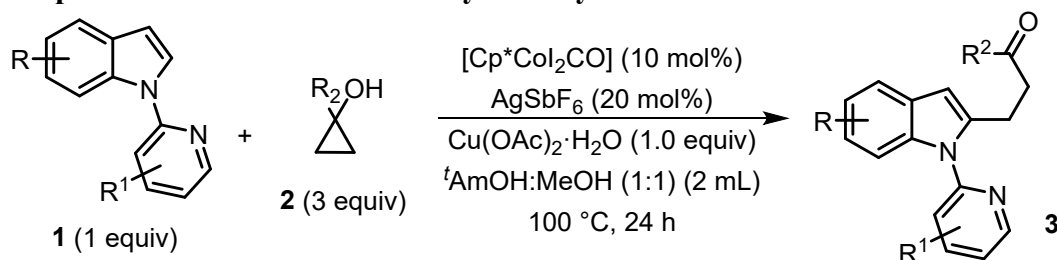


Entry	Additive I (x mol%)	Solvent	Temp (°C)	Time (h)	Yield 3a/4 (%)
1	NaOAc [10]	DCE	100	24	-/-
2	NaOAc [10]	MeOH	100	24	19/-
3	NaOAc [10]	^t AmOH	100	24	25/-
4	KOAc [10]	^t AmOH	100	24	38/-
5	KOAc [50]	^t AmOH	100	24	33/-
6	KOAc [200]	^t AmOH	100	24	-/-
7	$\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2$	^t AmOH	100	24	23/-
8	$\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ [50]	^t AmOH	100	24	58/11
9	$\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ [100]	^t AmOH	100	24	68/24
10	$\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ [200]	^t AmOH	100	24	33/48
11	$\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ [100]	^t AmOH	80	24	29/8
12	$\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ [100]	^t AmOH	50	24	8/-
13	$\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ [100]	^t AmOH	rt	24	-/-
14	$\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ [100]	^t AmOH	100	16	66/22
15 ^a	$\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ [100]	^t AmOH	100	24	56/18
16 ^b	$\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ [100]	^t AmOH	100	24	45/10
17 ^c	$\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ [100]	^t AmOH	100	24	36/7
18 ^d	$\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ [100]	^t AmOH	100	8	10/-
19 ^e	$\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ [100]	^t AmOH	100	8	-/-
20	$\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ [100]	ⁱ PrOH	100	24	10/5
21	$\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ [100]	EtOH	100	24	24/5
22	$\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ [100]	^t BuOH	100	24	21/10
23	$\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ [100]	^t BuOH: ^t AmOH	100	24	18/15
25 ^f	$\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ [100]	MeOH: ^t AmOH	100	24	63/10
26	$\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ [200]	MeOH: ^t AmOH	100	24	21/18

27	Cu(OAc) ₂ ·H ₂ O[10]	MeOH: 'AmOH	100	24	14/5
28^g	Cu(OAc)₂·H₂O[100]	MeOH: 'AmOH	100	24	80
29	Cu(OAc) ₂ ·H ₂ O[100]	DMF	100	24	-
30	Cu(OAc) ₂ ·H ₂ O[100]	DMSO	100	24	-
31	Cu(OAc) ₂ ·H ₂ O[100]	CH ₃ CN	100	24	11
32	Cu(OAc) ₂ ·H ₂ O[100]	chlorobenzene	100	24	-/-
33	Cu(OAc) ₂ ·H ₂ O[100]	DCM	100	24	-/-
34 ^h	Cu(OAc) ₂ ·H ₂ O[100]	'AmOH	100	24	-/10
35 ⁱ	Cu(OAc) ₂ ·H ₂ O[100]	'AmOH	100	24	-/-
36	AgOAc [20]	'AmOH	100	24	-/-
37	AgNO ₃ [20]	'AmOH	100	24	-/-
38	Ag ₂ CO ₃ [20]	'AmOH	100	24	-/-
39 ^j	Cu(OAc) ₂ ·H ₂ O[100]	MeOH: 'AmOH	100	24	20/6
40	KOPiv [100]	MeOH: 'AmOH	100	24	41/8
41	Cu(OPiv) ₂ [100]	MeOH: 'AmOH	100	24	61/9
42	Cu(acac) ₂ [100]	MeOH: 'AmOH	100	24	11/8
43	AgO ₂ CF ₃ [100]	MeOH: 'AmOH	100	24	17/15
44	Cu(TFA) ₂	MeOH: 'AmOH	100	24	27/5
45 ^k	AgOAc [20]	MeOH: 'AmOH	100	24	-/5
46	Cu(OTf) ₂ [20]	MeOH: 'AmOH	100	24	5/-
47 ^k	AgOTf [20]	MeOH: 'AmOH	100	24	24/14
48	Cu(CH ₃ CN) ₄ BF ₄	MeOH: 'AmOH	100	24	-/9
49 ^k	AgF [20]	MeOH: 'AmOH	100	24	-/17

Reaction condition: **1a** (1.0 equiv.), **2a** (2.0 equiv.), [Cp*CoI₂(CO)] (10 mol%), Cu(OAc)₂·H₂O[100], solvent-MeOH: 'AmOH (2mL), 100 °C. ^a with 20 mol% TEMPO. ^b with 50 mol% TEMPO. ^c with 100 mol% TEMPO. ^d with 20 mol% of benzoyl peroxide. ^e with 20 mol% of H₂O₂. ^f [Cp*CoCl₂]₂ (10 mol%). ^g **2a** (3.0 equiv). ^h Co(acac)₃ (20 mol%) instead of [Cp*CoI₂CO]. ⁱ CoBr₂ (20 mol%) instead of [Cp*CoI₂CO]. ^j [Cp*Co(CH₃CN)₃(SbF₆)₂] (10 mol%) instead of [Cp*CoI₂CO] and w/o AgSbF₆. ^k Cu(OAc)₂·H₂O (100 mol%).

4. Typical procedure for the cobalt-catalyzed alkylation of heteroarenes:

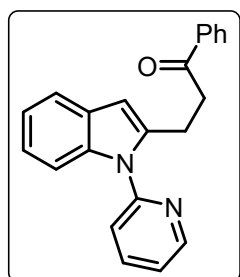


Oven dried sealed tube was charged with indole derivative **1** (0.26 mmol), (1.0 equiv), cyclopropanols **2** (0.78 mmol, 3 equiv), $[\text{Cp}^*\text{CoI}_2\text{CO}]$ (10 mol%), AgSbF_6 (20 mol%) and $\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ (100 mol%). The inner atmosphere was made inert through repeated (thrice) evacuation and refilled with nitrogen. Dry (MeOH: $t\text{AmOH}$) (1:1), (2 mL) was added to the reaction mixture and the reaction mixture stirred at $100\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ temperature for 24 h. After completion of the reaction (monitored by TLC), the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature, filtered through a pad of celite, and concentrated to get the crude product. The crude product was purified by column chromatography through silica gel to afford the expected product **3** in good to excellent yield.

5. Properties of isolated C2-alkylindoles

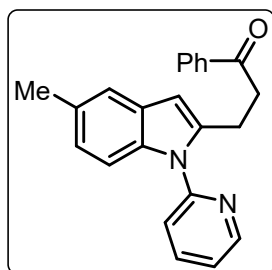
3-(1*H*-Indol-2-yl)-1-phenylpropan-1-one (3a):

Yield: 80%; yellow liquid; $R_f = 0.50$ in 1:9 EtOAc/Hexane; IR (ν_{max} , cm^{-1}): 3055, 2900, 1683, 1469, 1261, 972, 750; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3 , $24\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$): δ 8.63 (dd, $J = 4.9, 1.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.95-7.87 (m, 3H), 7.66 (s, 1H), 7.54 (t, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.47-7.40 (m, 3H), 7.33 (m, 1H), 7.17 (m, 2H), 6.41 (s, 1H), 3.37 (t, $J = 9.4$ Hz, 2H), 3.22 (t, $J = 9.7$ Hz, 2H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3 , $24\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$): δ 199.0, 151.5, 149.8, 140.4, 138.5, 137.4, 136.9, 133.2, 128.7, 128.6, 128.2, 128.1, 122.3, 122.0, 121.2, 120.8, 120.1, 110.2, 102.5, 38.3, 22.2; HRMS: (ESI) m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_2\text{O}$, 327.1492 $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$; found 327.1494.



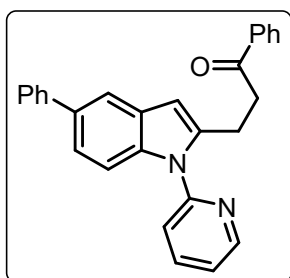
3-(5-Methyl-1-(pyridin-2-yl)-1*H*-indol-2-yl)-1-phenylpropan-1-one (3b):

Yield: 69%; yellow liquid; $R_f = 0.50$ in 1:9 EtOAc/Hexane; IR (ν_{max} , cm^{-1}): 3006, 2886, 1675, 1471, 1275, 970, 758; ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3 , $24\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$): δ 7.88-7.79 (m, 3H), 7.47 (t, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.36 (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 3H), 7.30-7.20 (m,



2H),), 7.15 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H) 6.88 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H) 6.33 (s, 1H), 3.35-3.27 (m, 2H), 3.24-3.14 (m, 2H), 2.35 (s, 3H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 199.1, 140.4, 138.5, 136.8, 135.7, 133.6, 133.2, 130.1, 128.9, 128.6, 128.2, 123.4, 119.9, 109.9, 102.2, 38.3, 22.3, 21.5; HRMS: (ESI) m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2\text{O}$, 341.1648 $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$; found 341.1643.

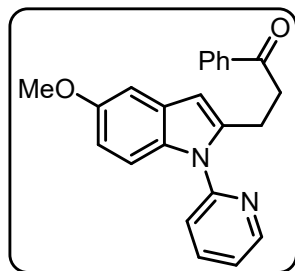
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Yield: 68%; yellow liquid; $R_f = 0.50$ in 1:9 EtOAc/Hexane; IR (ν_{max} , cm^{-1}): 3007, 2860, 1683, 1468, 1256, 755; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 8.65 (d, $J = 4.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.97-7.90 (m, 3H), 7.78 (s, 1H), 7.64 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.58-7.50 (m, 2H), 7.49-7.38 (m, 6H), 7.37-7.28 (m, 2H), 6.54 (s, 1H), 3.41 (t, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 2H), 3.26 (t, $J = 9.3$ Hz, 2H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 199.0, 151.4, 149.9, 142.5, 141.1, 138.7, 136.9, 136.8, 134.4, 133.3, 129.2, 128.8, 128.7, 128.2, 127.5, 126.5, 122.4, 121.7, 121.2, 118.7, 110.6, 102.8, 38.3, 22.3.; HRMS: (ESI) m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_2\text{O}$, 403.1805 $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$; found 403.1816.

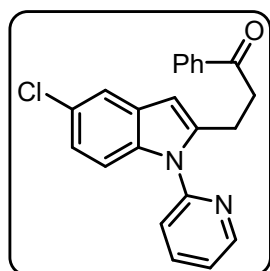
3-(5-Methoxy-1-(pyridin-2-yl)-1H-indol-2-yl)-1-phenylpropan-1-one (3d):

Yield: 84%; yellow liquid; $R_f = 0.50$ in 1:9 EtOAc/Hexane; IR (ν_{max} , cm^{-1}): 2994, 1683, 1582, 1438, 1275, 760; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 8.62 (dd, $J = 8.6, 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.94 (dd, $J = 8.3, 1.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.88 (dt, $J = 7.8, 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.55 (dt, $J = 7.5, 1.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.47-7.43 (m, 3H), 7.30 (dd, $J = 7.3, 1.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.25 (d, $J = 8.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.04 (d, $J = 2.4$ Hz, 1H), 6.79 (dd, $J = 8.9, 2.4$ Hz, 1H), 6.42 (s, 1H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 3.39 (t, $J = 9.2$ Hz, 2H), 3.26 (t, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 2H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 199.1, 154.9, 151.5, 149.8, 140.9, 138.5, 136.8, 133.2, 132.5, 128.7, 128.2, 122.1, 120.9, 111.5, 111.1, 102.4, 102.3, 55.9, 38.4, 22.4; HRMS: (ESI) m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{19}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$, 357.1698 $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$; found 357.1605.



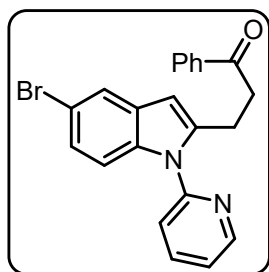
3-(5-Chloro-1-(pyridin-2-yl)-1H-indol-2-yl)-1-phenylpropan-1-one (3e):

Yield: 63%; yellow liquid; $R_f = 0.50$ in 1:9 EtOAc/Hexane; IR (ν_{max} , cm^{-1}): 3006, 2965, 1680, 1585, 1439, 1254, 755; IR (ν_{max} , cm^{-1}): 2994, 1683, 1582, 1438, 1275, 760. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 8.62 (dd, $J = 8.6, 2.0$ Hz, 1H),



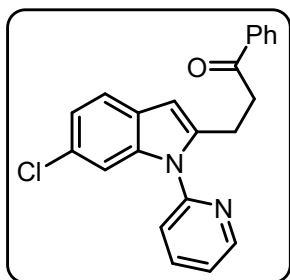
7.94 (dd, $J = 8.3$, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.88 (dt, $J = 7.8$, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (dt, $J = 7.5$, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.47-7.43 (m, 4H), 7.30 (dd, $J = 7.3$, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.25 (d, $J = 8.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.04 (d, $J = 2.4$ Hz, 1H), 6.79 (dd, $J = 8.9$, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.42 (s, 1H), 3.85 (s, 2H), 3.26 (t, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 2H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 199.1, 154.9, 151.5, 149.8, 140.9, 138.5, 136.8, 133.2, 132.5, 128.7, 128.2, 122.1, 120.9, 111.5, 111.1, 102.4, 102.3, 55.9, 38.4, 22.4; HRMS: (ESI) m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{18}\text{ClN}_2\text{O}$, 361.1102 $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$; found 361.1112.

3-(5-Bromo-1-(pyridin-2-yl)-1H-indol-2-yl)-1-phenylpropan-1-one (3f):



Yield: 65%; yellow liquid; $R_f = 0.50$ in 1:9 EtOAc/Hexane; IR (ν_{max} , cm^{-1}): 3007, 2862, 1683, 1466, 1265, 988, 756; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 8.64 (d, $J = 4.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.96-7.89 (m, 3H), 7.67 (s, 1H), 7.55 (t, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.49-7.42 (m, 3H), 7.35 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.22-7.16 (m, 2H) 6.42 (s, 1H) 3.38 (t, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 2H), 3.23 (t, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 2H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 198.7, 150.9, 149.9, 141.7, 138.7, 136.7, 136.1, 133.3, 130.3, 128.7, 128.1, 124.7, 122.6, 121.3, 113.9, 111.7, 101.8, 38.0, 22.4, 20.1; HRMS: (ESI) m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{17}\text{BrN}_2\text{O}$, 405.0597 $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$; found 405.0605.

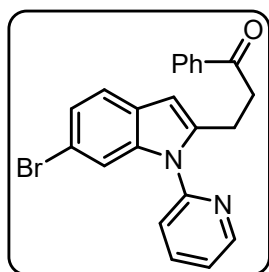
3-(6-Chloro-1-(pyridin-2-yl)-1H-indol-2-yl)-1-phenylpropan-1-one (3g):



Yield: 73%; yellow liquid; $R_f = 0.50$ in 1:9 EtOAc/Hexane; IR (ν_{max} , cm^{-1}): 3008, 1678, 1545, 1477, 1223, 751; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 8.56 (s, 1H), 7.87-7.80 (m, 3H), 7.46 (t, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.39-7.30 (m, 4H), 7.26 (s, 1H), 7.19-7.10 (m, 2H), 6.35 (s, 1H), 3.28 (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 2H), 3.13 (t, $J = 8.9$ Hz, 2H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 198.7, 150.8, 150.0, 141.1, 138.8, 138.2, 136.7, 133.3, 128.7, 128.1, 127.4, 124.0, 122.7, 121.3, 115.5, 113.3, 102.3, 37.9, 22.1; HRMS: (ESI) m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{18}\text{ClN}_2\text{O}$, 361.1102 $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$; found 361.1067.

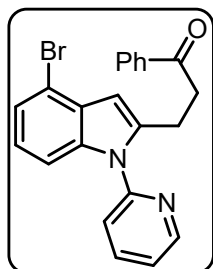
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Yield: 77%; yellow liquid; $R_f = 0.50$ in 1:9 EtOAc/Hexane; IR (ν_{max} , cm^{-1}): 2990, 1689, 1567, 1470, 1234, 755; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 8.56 (s, 1H), 7.87-7.80 (m, 3H), 7.46 (t, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.39-7.30 (m, 4H), 7.26 (s, 1H), 7.19-7.10 (m, 2H), 6.35 (s, 1H), 3.28 (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 2H), 3.13 (t, $J =$



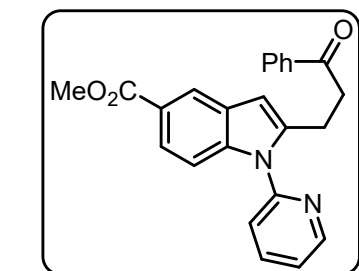
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3-(4-Bromo-1-(pyridin-2-yl)-1H-indol-2-yl)-1-phenylpropan-1-one (3i):



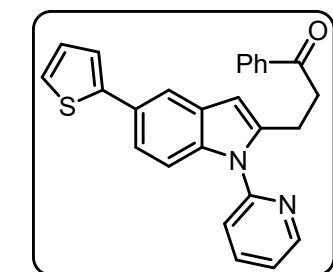
Yield: 52%; yellow liquid; R_f = 0.50 in 1:9 EtOAc/Hexane; IR (ν_{max} , cm^{-1}): 3003, 1682, 1580, 1460, 1272, 941, 756; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 8.56 (s, 1H), 7.90-7.80 (m, 3H), 7.47 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.32-7.25 (m, 1H), 7.20 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.15 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 6.46 (s, 1H), 3.34 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 3.14 (t, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 198.7, 150.9, 149.9, 141.2, 138.7, 137.6, 136.7, 133.3, 129.2, 128.7, 128.1, 123.6, 122.8, 121.4, 114.0, 109.5, 102.3, 37.9, 22.1; HRMS: (ESI) m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{18}\text{BrN}_2\text{O}$, 405.0597 $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$; found 405.0605.

Methyl 2-(3-oxo-3-phenylpropyl)-1-(pyridin-2-yl)-1H-indole-5-carboxylate (3j):



Yield: 55 %; yellow liquid; R_f = 0.50 in 1:9 EtOAc/Hexane; IR (ν_{max} , cm^{-1}): 2937, 1685, 1583, 1468, 1262, 755; ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 8.67 (dd, J = 4.8, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 8.00 (t, J = 0.9 Hz, 1H), 7.98-7.92 (m, 3H), 7.83 (dd, J = 7.8, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.59-7.54 (m, 2H), 7.51 (dt, J = 8.0, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.39 (dt, J = 7.5, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 6.53 (s, 1H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 3.42 (t, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 3.27 (t, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 198.7, 168.2, 150.1, 144.1, 138.9, 136.8, 136.7, 133.4, 132.4, 128.7, 128.2, 123.6, 122.9, 122.1, 121.6, 111.7, 102.7, 52.0, 37.9, 22.2; HRMS: (ESI) m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3$, 385.1547 $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$; found 385.1554.

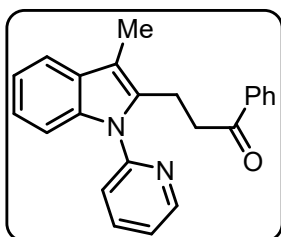
1-Phenyl-3-(1-(pyridin-2-yl)-5-(thiophen-2-yl)-1H-indol-2-yl)propan-1-one (3k):



Yield: 49 %; yellow liquid; R_f = 0.50 in 1:9 EtOAc/Hexane; IR (ν_{max} , cm^{-1}): 2990, 2857, 1683, 1587, 1470, 1261, 751; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 8.64 (d, J = 4.7 Hz, 1H), 7.96-7.86 (m, 3H), 7.77 (s, 1H), 7.54 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.51-7.26 (m, 8H), 6.50 (s, 1H), 3.39 (t, J = 9.1 Hz, 2H), 3.26 (t, J = 9.2 Hz, 2H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ

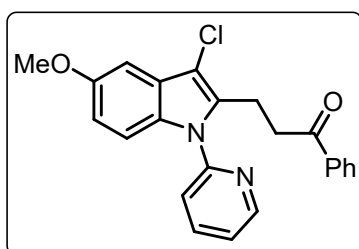
198.9, 141.1, 138.6, 136.8, 136.7, 133.2, 129.1, 129.0, 128.7, 128.2, 126.8, 125.9, 122.4, 121.2, 121.2, 119.0, 117.9, 110.5, 102.7, 38.3, 22.2; HRMS: (ESI) m/z calcd. for $C_{26}H_{20}N_2OS$, 409.1369 $[M+H]^+$; found 409.1384.

3-(3-Methyl-1-(pyridin-2-yl)-1H-indol-2-yl)-1-phenylpropan-1-one (3l):



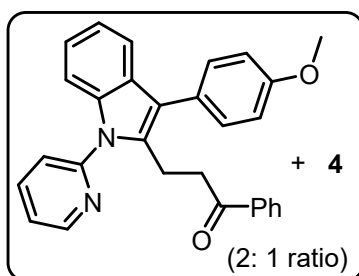
Yield: 61% (Yield was calculated based on 1H NMR); yellow liquid; $R_f = 0.5$ in 1:9 EtOAc/Hexane; IR (ν_{max} , cm^{-1}): 3056, 2993, 1680, 1518, 1262, 755; 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$, 24 $^{\circ}C$): δ 8.62 (s, 1H), 7.87 (d, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.56-7.47 (m, 3H), 7.44-7.38 (m, 2H), 7.37-7.33 (m, 2H), 7.15 (t, $J = 7.2, 1.0$ Hz, 2H), 3.26 (s, 4H), 2.33 (s, 3H); $^{13}C\{^1H\}$ NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$, 24 $^{\circ}C$): δ 199.5, 138.4, 136.8, 136.6, 135.8, 133.1, 129.6, 128.7, 128.6, 128.4, 128.3, 128.1, 122.1, 120.5, 118.5, 110.5, 109.9, 38.9, 20.2, 8.8; HRMS: (ESI) m/z calcd. for $C_{23}H_{20}N_2O$, 341.1648 $[M+H]^+$; found 341.1654.

3-(3-Chloro-5-methoxy-1-(pyridin-2-yl)-1H-indol-2-yl)-1-phenylpropan-1-one (3m):



Yield: 61%; yellow liquid; $R_f = 0.5$ in 1:9 EtOAc/Hexane; IR (ν_{max} , cm^{-1}): 3020, 2860, 1680, 1567, 1234, 751; 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$, 24 $^{\circ}C$): δ 8.48 (d, $J = 3.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.89-7.76 (m, 3H), 7.45 (t, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.39-7.31 (m, 3H), 7.21 (dd, $J = 7.1, 4.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.16 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 6.96 (d, $J = 2.3$ Hz, 1H), 6.75 (dd, $J = 8.6, 2.4$ Hz, 1H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.34-3.27 (m, 2H), 3.17 (m, 2H); $^{13}C\{^1H\}$ NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$, 24 $^{\circ}C$): δ 198.9, 155.5, 150.8, 149.8, 138.6, 136.6, 135.8, 133.2, 130.3, 128.2, 126.7, 122.5, 120.7, 113.3, 111.6, 106.6, 99.4, 55.9, 37.9, 20.2; HRMS: (ESI) m/z calcd. for $C_{23}H_{19}ClN_2O_2$, 391.1208 $[M+H]^+$; found 391.1300.

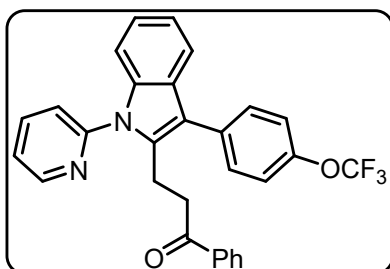
3-(3-Chloro-5-methoxy-1-(pyridin-2-yl)-1H-indol-2-yl)-1-phenylpropan-1-one (3n):



Yield: 48% (Yield was calculated based on 1H NMR); (2: 1 ratio of **3m** and **4**); yellow liquid; $R_f = 0.5$ in 1:9 EtOAc/Hexane; IR (ν_{max} , cm^{-1}): 3006, 2856, 1670, 1567, 1234, 755; 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$, 24 $^{\circ}C$): δ 8.47 (d, $J = 3.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.87-7.83 (m, 3H), 7.80 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H),

7.72–7.69 (m, 3H), 7.46–7.741 (m, 2H), 7.37–7.32 (m, 2H), 7.32 (dt, $J = 8.5, 1.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.05 (dt, $J = 7.2, 0.6$ Hz, 2H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 3.27 (s, 4H); 2.93–2.90 (m, 2H), 1.74–1.72 (m, 2H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 200.7, 198.3, 158.6, 152.3, 149.0, 138.4, 137.0, 135.7, 133.2, 133.0, 128.9, 128.7, 128.3, 128.1, 127.2, 127.1, 126.8, 123.5, 122.8, 121.6, 120.5, 120.1, 120.0, 114.6, 114.3, 113.3, 58.3, 38.7, 38.4, 27.7, 23.9; HRMS: (ESI) m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{24}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$, 433.1911 $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$; found 433.1923.

1-Phenyl-3-(1-(pyridin-2-yl)-3-(4-(trifluoromethoxy)phenyl)-1H-indol-2-yl)propan-1-one

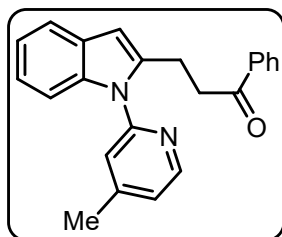


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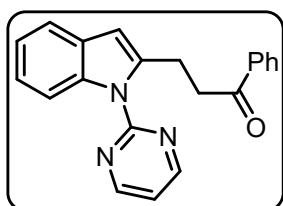
Yield: 45%; yellow liquid; $R_f = 0.5$ in 1:9 EtOAc/Hexane; IR (ν_{max} , cm^{-1}): 3008, 2987, 1678, 1446, 1245, 987, 750; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 8.64 (d, $J = 4.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.99–7.88 (m, 4H), 7.55–7.53 (m, 3H), 7.52–7.29 (m, 4H), 7.16–7.15 (m, 2H), 7.13 (d, $J = 6.5$ Hz, 2H), 6.49 (s, 1H), 3.42–3.37 (m, 2H), 3.29–3.24 (m, 2H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 199.1, 151.5, 149.8, 140.4, 138.6, 137.4, 136.8, 133.2, 128.7, 128.3, 128.2, 124.9, 122.3, 122.0, 121.3, 120.9, 120.2, 110.3, 102.5, 38.3, 20.3; HRMS: (ESI) m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{21}\text{F}_3\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$, 487.1628 $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$; found 487.1623.

3-(1-(4-Methylpyridin-2-yl)-1H-indol-2-yl)-1-phenylpropan-1-one (3p):

Yield: 64 %; yellow liquid; $R_f = 0.50$ in 1:9 EtOAc/Hexane; IR (ν_{max} , cm^{-1}): 3007, 1684, 1456, 1273, 754; ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 8.49 (d, $J = 4.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.94 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.60–7.54 (m, 2H), 7.45 (t, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 2H), 7.33–7.28 (m, 2H), 7.17–7.11 (m, 3H), 6.48 (s, 1H), 3.40 (t, $J = 9.5$ Hz, 2H), 3.25 (t, $J = 9.4$ Hz, 2H), 2.46 (s, 3H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 199.1, 151.4, 150.1, 149.4, 140.4, 137.5, 136.8, 133.2, 128.7, 128.6, 128.2, 123.5, 122.0, 121.8, 120.7, 120.1, 102.2, 38.3, 22.2, 21.2; HRMS: (ESI) m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2\text{O}$, 341.11648 $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$; found 341.1661.



1-Phenyl-3-(1-(pyrimidin-2-yl)-1H-indol-2-yl)propan-1-one (3q):

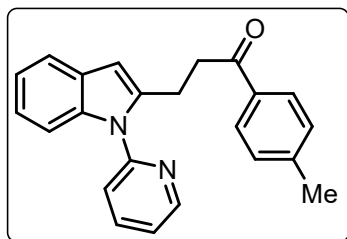


Yield: 74%; yellow liquid; $R_f = 0.50$ in 1:9 EtOAc/Hexane; IR (ν_{max} , cm^{-1}): 3008, 2912, 1678, 1589, 1448, 1234, 690; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 8.77 (d, $J = 4.8$ Hz, 2H), 8.32 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 1H),

7.99 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.58-7.50 (m, 2H), 7.46 (t, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.25-7.18 (m, 2H), 7.13 (t, $J = 5.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.53 (s, 1H), 3.59 (t, $J = 8.6$ Hz, 2H), 3.46 (t, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 199.4, 158.3, 140.9, 137.1, 133.1, 129.4, 128.7, 128.2, 122.1, 119.9, 117.2, 114.3, 106.3, 72.9, , 38.9, 24.3; HRMS: (ESI) m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{17}\text{N}_3\text{O}$, 328.1444 $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$; found 328.1456.

3-(1-(Pyridin-2-yl)-1H-indol-2-yl)-1-(p-tolyl)propan-1-one (3r):

Yield: 72%; yellow liquid; $R_f = 0.50$ in 1:9 EtOAc/Hexane; IR (ν_{max} , cm^{-1}): 3008, 2912, 1680,

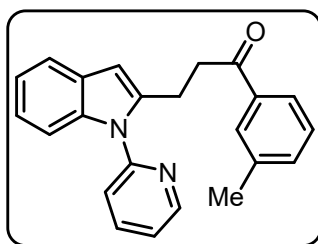


1469, 1427, 1181, 752; ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 8.64 (dd, $J = 4.8, 1.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.89 (dt, $J = 7.6, 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.83 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.57 (dd, $J = 7.6, 3.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.48 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.35-7.30 (m, 2H), 7.24 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.15-7.11 (m, 2H), 6.48 (s, 1H), 3.36 (t, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 3.24 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H),

2.40 (s, 3H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 198.7, 151.4, 149.8, 144.0, 140.5, 138.6, 137.4, 134.4, 129.4, 128.7, 128.3, 122.3, 121.9, 121.3, 120.8, 120.1, 110.3, 102.4, 38.1, 22.3, 21.7; HRMS: (ESI) m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2\text{O}$, 341.1648 $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$; found 341.1653.

3-(1-(Pyridin-2-yl)-1H-indol-2-yl)-1-(p-tolyl)propan-1-one (3s):

Yield: 53%; yellow liquid; $R_f = 0.50$ in 1:9 EtOAc/Hexane; IR (ν_{max} , cm^{-1}): 3008, 2912, 1680,

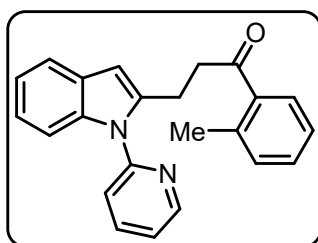


1469, 1427, 1181, 752; ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 8.64 (dd, $J = 4.8, 1.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.89 (dt, $J = 7.6, 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.83 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.57 (dd, $J = 7.6, 3.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.48 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.35-7.30 (m, 2H), 7.24 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.15-7.11 (m, 2H), 6.48 (s, 1H), 3.36 (t, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 3.24 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 2.40 (s,

3H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 198.7, 151.4, 149.8, 144.0, 140.5, 138.6, 137.4, 134.4, 129.4, 128.7, 128.3, 122.3, 121.9, 121.3, 120.8, 120.1, 110.3, 102.4, 38.1, 22.3, 21.7; HRMS: (ESI) m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2\text{O}$, 341.1648 $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$; found 341.1653.

3-(1-(Pyridin-2-yl)-1H-indol-2-yl)-1-(o-tolyl)propan-1-one (3t):

Yield: 48%; yellow liquid; $R_f = 0.50$ in 1:9 EtOAc/Hexane; IR (ν_{max} , cm^{-1}): 3008, 2993, 1668,

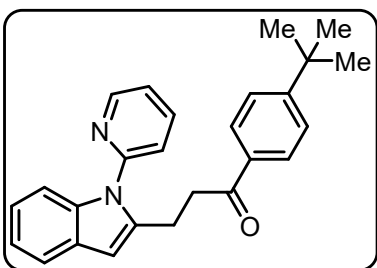


1445, 1260, 751; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 8.63 (dd, $J = 8.6, 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.89 (dt, $J = 7.8, 1.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.75-7.71 (m, 2H),

7.56 (dd, $J = 7.6, 2.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.48 (d, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.37-7.30 (m, 4H), 7.15-7.11 (m, 2H), 6.49 (s, 1H), 3.39-3.35 (m, 2H), 3.27-3.23 (m, 2H), 2.38 (s, 3H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 199.3, 151.4, 149.8, 140.4, 138.6, 138.6, 138.5, 137.4, 136.8, 133.9, 128.7, 128.7, 128.6, 125.4, 122.3, 121.9, 121.3, 120.8, 120.1, 102.4, 38.3, 22.6, 21.5; HRMS: (ESI) m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2\text{O}$, 341.1648 $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$; found 341.1651.

1-(4-(*tert*-Butyl)phenyl)-3-(1-(pyridin-2-yl)-1*H*-indol-2-yl)propan-1-one (3u):

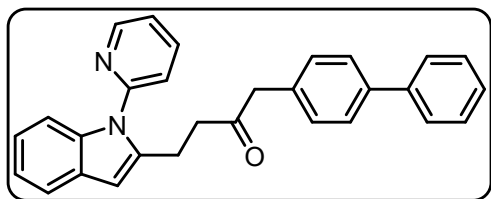
Yield: 87%; yellow liquid; $R_f = 0.50$ in 1:9 EtOAc/Hexane; IR (ν_{max} , cm^{-1}): 3020, 2880, 1676,



1554, 1245, 990, 750; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 8.50 (d, $J = 4.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.76 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.72 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.44 (dd, $J = 5.9, 2.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.37-7.30 (m, 3H), 7.22 (t, $J = 4.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.15 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.01 (dd, $J = 5.7, 2.5$ Hz, 2H), 6.37 (s, 1H), 3.24 (t, $J = 9.5$ Hz, 2H), 3.14 (t, $J = 9.3$ Hz, 2H), 1.21 (s, 9H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3 ,

24 °C): δ 198.5, 156.8, 151.3, 149.7, 140.4, 138.4, 137.3, 134.2, 128.6, 128.0, 122.2, 121.8, 121.2, 120.7, 120.1, 110.2, 102.3, 38.0, 35.1, 31.1, 22.2; HRMS: (ESI) m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{26}\text{N}_2\text{O}$, 405.1937 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$; found 405.1929.

1-([1,1'-Biphenyl]-4-yl)-3-(1-(pyridin-2-yl)-1*H*-indol-2-yl)propan-1-one (3v) and 1-phenylpropan-1-ol:

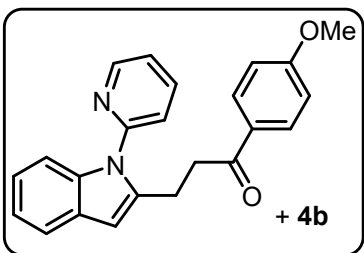


Yield: 67% (Yield was calculated based on ^1H NMR); yellow liquid; $R_f = 0.50$ in 1:9 EtOAc/Hexane; IR (ν_{max} , cm^{-1}): 3006, 2990, 1670, 1545, 1424, 991, 760; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 8.63 (d, $J = 4.8$ Hz,

1H), 7.99 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 2H), 7.88 (t, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.68-7.54 (m, 12H), 7.50-7.38 (m, 12H), 7.36-7.31 (m, 3H) 7.16-7.11 (m, 2H) 6.50 (s, 1H), 4.46 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 1H), 3.43-3.37 (m, 2H), 3.30-3.25 (m, 2H), 1.88-1.77 (m, 1H), 0.94 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 3H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 198.6, 151.4, 149.8, 145.8, 143.7, 140.9, 140.5, 140.4, 139.9, 138.6, 137.8, 135.5, 129.1, 128.8, 128.7, 128.3, 127.3, 127.2, 127.1, 126.5, 122.0, 121.3, 120.8, 120.1, 110.2, 102.4, 75.8, 38.3, 31.9, 22.2, 10.3; HRMS: (ESI) m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{24}\text{N}_2\text{O}$, 403.1805 $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$; found 403.1796.

3-(5-Methoxy-1-(pyridin-2-yl)-1H-indol-2-yl)-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)propan-1-one (3w):

Yield: 81% (Yield was calculated based on ^1H NMR); (2: 1) ratio of **3w** and **4b**; yellow liquid;

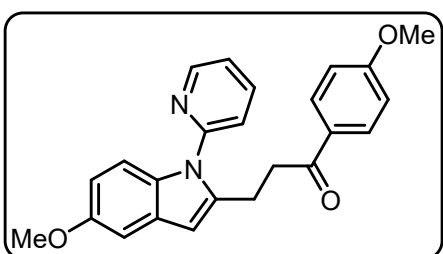


$R_f = 0.50$ in 1:9 EtOAc/Hexane; IR (ν_{max} , cm^{-1}): 3009, 2990, 1670, 1559, 1270, 984, 751; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 $^\circ\text{C}$): δ 8.55 (d, $J = 3.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.88-7.72 (m, 5H), 7.47 (dd, $J = 5.7$, 2.7 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.26-7.20 (m, 2H), 6.82 (dd, $J = 8.1$, 6.1 Hz, 4H) 6.39 (s, 1H) 3.76 (s, 3H) 3.26 (s, 2H),

3.27-3.21 (m, 2H), 3.19-3.12 (m, 2H), 2.91-2.85 (m, 1.6H), 1.76-1.70 (m, 2H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 $^\circ\text{C}$): δ 198.8, 197.6, 163.6, 151.4, 149.7, 140.5, 138.6, 137.4, 130.4, 128.6, 122.3, 121.9, 121.3, 120.8, 120.1, 113.8, 113.7, 110.2, 102.4, 55.5, 38.8, 37.8, 24.3, 22.3; HRMS: (ESI) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{19}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$, 379.1417 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$; found 379.1409.

3-(5-Methoxy-1-(pyridin-2-yl)-1H-indol-2-yl)-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)propan-1-one (3x):

Yield: 68% (Yield was calculated based on ^1H NMR); (20: 1) ratio of **3ax** and **4x**; yellow liquid;

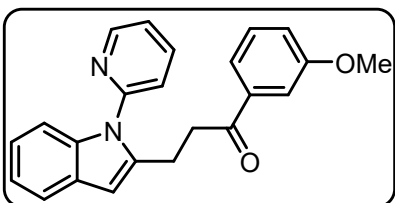


$R_f = 0.50$ in 2:8 EtOAc/Hexane; IR (ν_{max} , cm^{-1}): 3007, 2964, 1675, 1445, 1234, 751; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 $^\circ\text{C}$): δ 8.66 (s, 1H), 7.94-7.90 (m, 4H), 7.67 (s, 1H), 7.54 (dd, $J = 7.5$, 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.35 (d, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.19 (s, 1H), 6.95-6.89 (m, 2H),

6.41 (s, 1H), 3.86 (s, 6H), 3.32 (t, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 3.22 (t, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 2H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 $^\circ\text{C}$): δ 197.2, 163.6, 141.7, 138.7, 136.0, 130.6, 130.3, 129.7, 124.6, 122.6, 122.5, 113.9, 113.8, 113.8, 113.7, 111.6, 55.6, 55.5, 37.4, 22.2; HRMS: (ESI) m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3$, 387.1703 $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$; found 387.1714.

1-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-3-(1-(pyridin-2-yl)-1H-indol-2-yl)propan-1-one (3y):

Yield: 60%; yellow liquid; $R_f = 0.50$ in 1:9 EtOAc/Hexane; IR (ν_{max} , cm^{-1}): 3012, 2903, 1683,

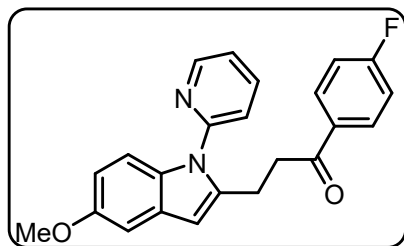


1279, 751; ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 $^\circ\text{C}$): δ 8.55 (d, $J = 4.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.78 (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.47 (dd, $J = 6.5$, 2.5 Hz, 3H), 7.42-7.36 (m, 3H), 7.26-7.19 (m, 3H), 7.05-6.97 (m, 3H), 6.39 (s, 1H), 3.72 (s, 3H), 3.27 (t, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 2H), 3.16 (t, $J =$

8.7 Hz, 2H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 198.8, 159.9, 151.3, 149.7, 140.3, 138.6, 138.5, 138.2, 137.3, 129.6, 128.6, 122.3, 121.9, 121.3, 120.8, 120.7, 120.1, 119.6, 114.4, 112.4, 110.2, 102.4, 55.5, 38.3, 22.3; HRMS: (ESI) m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$, 357.1598 $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$; found 357.1603.

1-(4-Fluorophenyl)-3-(5-methoxy-1-(pyridin-2-yl)-1H-indol-2-yl)propan-1-one (3z):

Yield: 68%; yellow liquid; R_f = 0.50 in 1:9 EtOAc/Hexane; IR (ν_{max} , cm^{-1}): 3008, 2998, 1678,

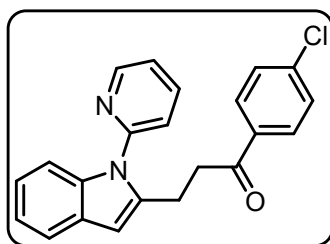


1588, 1465, 1224, 750; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 8.52 (d, J = 4.6 Hz, 1H), 7.86 (dd, J = 7.4, 3.0 Hz, 2H), 7.97 (dt, J = 8.6, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (dd, J = 6.8, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 7.16 (d, J = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 7.01 (t, J = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 6.94 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 6.70 (dd, J = 8.7, 2.5 Hz,

1H), 6.31 (s, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 3.26 (t, J = 9.3 Hz, 2H), 3.15 (t, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 197.5, 167.1, 164.6, 154.9, 151.5, 149.7, 140.8, 138.5, 133.3, 133.2, 132.4, 130.8, 130.7, 129.2, 122.1, 120.9, 115.8, 115.7, 111.6, 111.1, 110.5, 102.3, 55.9, 38.3, 22.3; HRMS: (ESI) m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{19}\text{FN}_2\text{O}_2$, 375.1503 $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$; found 375.1535.

1-(4-Chlorophenyl)-3-(1-(pyridin-2-yl)-1H-indol-2-yl)propan-1-one (3aa):

Yield: 66%; yellow liquid; R_f = 0.50 in 1:9 EtOAc/Hexane; IR (ν_{max} , cm^{-1}): 3008, 2860, 1687,

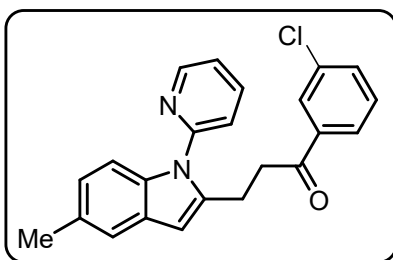


1468, 1234, 990, 751; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 8.55 (dd, J = 4.8, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.85-7.77 (m, 3H), 7.49 (dd, J = 5.7, 3.1 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (dt, J = 7.8, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.34 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.27-7.24 (m, 2H) 7.07-7.05 (m, 2H), 6.40 (s, 1H) 3.31-3.27 (m, 2H), 3.19-3.15 (m, 2H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C):

δ 197.8, 151.4, 149.8, 140.1, 139.7, 138.6, 137.3, 135.1, 129.6, 129.0, 128.6, 127.5, 122.3, 121.2, 120.9, 120.2, 110.3, 102.6, 38.3, 22.2; HRMS: (ESI) m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{17}\text{ClN}_2\text{O}$, 361.1102 $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$; found 361.1094.

1-(3-Chlorophenyl)-3-(5-methyl-1-(pyridin-2-yl)-1H-indol-2-yl)propan-1-one (3ab):

Yield: 71%; yellow liquid; R_f = 0.50 in 1:9 EtOAc/Hexane; IR (ν_{max} , cm^{-1}): 3079, 2918, 1689,

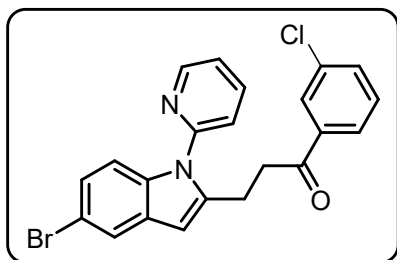


1584, 1469, 1202, 785; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 8.61 (d, J = 3.7 Hz, 1H), 7.92-7.86 (m, 2H), 7.80 (d, J = 7.7

Hz, 1H), 7.49-7.45 (m, 2H), 7.40-7.33 (m, 2H), 7.30 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.23-7.20 (m, 2H), 6.96 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 6.40 (s, 1H), 3.36 (t, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 2H), 3.24 (t, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 2H), 2.43 (s, 3H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 197.9, 151.5, 149.7, 140.1, 138.5, 138.4, 135.6, 135.0, 133.1, 130.2, 128.9, 128.9, 128.3, 126.2, 123.5, 122.1, 120.9, 119.9, 109.9, 102.3, 38.5, 22.2, 21.5; HRMS: (ESI) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{19}\text{ClN}_2\text{O}$, 397.1070 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$; found 397.1073.

3-(5-Bromo-1-(pyridin-2-yl)-1H-indol-2-yl)-1-(3-chlorophenyl)propan-1-one (3ac):

Yield: 67%; yellow liquid; $R_f = 0.50$ in 1:9 EtOAc/Hexane; IR (ν_{max} , cm^{-1}): 3072, 2934, 1689,

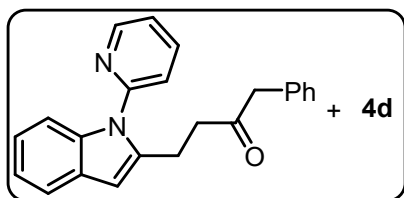


1575, 1472, 1337, 1200, 787; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 8.65 (d, $J = 4.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.95-7.88 (m, 2H), 7.80 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.67-7.45 (s, 1H), 7.52 (t, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.45 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.42-7.34 (m, 2H), 7.23-7.15 (m, 2H), 6.41 (s, 1H), 3.36 (t, $J = 9.1$ Hz, 2H), 3.22 (t, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 2H);

$^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 197.9, 150.9, 149.9, 141.3, 138.8, 138.3, 136.0, 135.1, 133.2, 130.3, 128.2, 126.2, 124.8, 122.7, 122.6, 121.2, 114.0, 111.7, 101.9, 38.2, 22.1; HRMS: (ESI) m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{16}\text{BrClN}_2\text{O}$, 439.0207 $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$; found 441.0316.

1-Phenyl-4-(1-(pyridin-2-yl)-1H-indol-2-yl)butan-2-one (3ad):

Yield: 79% (Yield was calculated based on ^1H NMR); (1: 1) ratio of **3ad** and **4d**; yellow liquid;

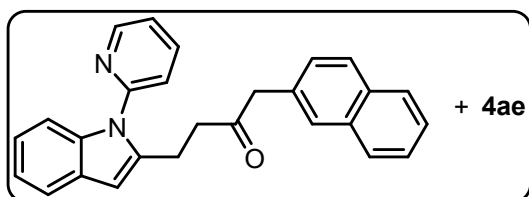


$R_f = 0.50$ in 1:9 EtOAc/Hexane; IR (ν_{max} , cm^{-1}): 3059, 2933, 1710, 1585, 1461, 1211, 1090, 701; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 8.65 (d, $J = 4.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.83 (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.52 (t, $J = 4.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.37 (t, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.33-

7.21 (m, 9H), 7.19-7.07 (m, 6H), 6.31 (s, 1H), 3.63 (s, 2H), 3.62 (s, 2H), 3.05 (t, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 2H), 2.82 (t, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 2H), 2.41-2.35 (m, 2H), 1.49-1.43 (m, 2H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 208.1, 207.1, 151.2, 149.7, 139.9, 138.4, 137.2, 134.3, 134.1, 129.4, 128.8, 128.5, 127.1, 127.0, 122.2, 121.9, 121.1, 120.8, 120.8, 120.1, 110.1, 102.3, 50.2, 50.1, 41.6, 41.1, 23.0, 21.7; HRMS: (ESI) m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2\text{O}$, 341.1648 $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$; found 341.1618.

1-(Naphthalen-2-yl)-4-(1-(pyridin-2-yl)-1H-indol-2-yl)butan-2-one (3ae):

Yield: 72% (Yield was calculated based on ^1H NMR); (4: 1) ratio of **3ae** and **4ae**; yellow liquid;

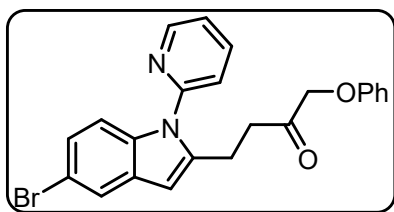


$R_f = 0.50$ in 1:9 EtOAc/Hexane; IR (ν_{max} , cm^{-1}): 3056,

2912, 1679, 1554, 1443, 1224, 755; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 8.36 (dd, $J = 4.8, 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.71-7.60 (m, 7H), 7.50 (s, 0.7H), 7.46 (s, 1H), 7.39-7.31 (m, 5H), 7.19-7.10 (m, 5H), 7.05 (dd, $J = 7.5, 0.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.00-6.96 (m, 2H), 6.19 (s, 1H), 3.67 (s, 2H), 3.64 (s, 1.4H), 2.96 (t, $J = 9.3$ Hz, 2H), 2.70 (t, $J = 9.3$ Hz, 2H), 2.31-2.28 (m, 1.3 H), 1.38-1.35 (m, 1.3H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 208.1, 207.1, 151.2, 149.6, 139.8, 138.3, 137.2, 133.6, 132.5, 131.8, 131.6, 128.5, 128.4, 128.1, 127.8, 127.7, 127.5, 127.4, 126.3, 125.9, 125.8, 122.3, 121.9, 120.9, 120.7, 120.1, 110.1, 102.5, 50.4, 50.3, 41.6, 43.1, 23.0, 21.7; HRMS: (ESI) m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_2\text{O}$, 391.1805 $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$; found 391.1818.

4-(5-Bromo-1-(pyridin-2-yl)-1H-indol-2-yl)-1-phenoxybutan-2-one (3af):

Yield: 54%; yellow liquid; $R_f = 0.50$ in 1:9 EtOAc/Hexane; IR (ν_{max} , cm^{-1}): 3072, 2934, 1689,

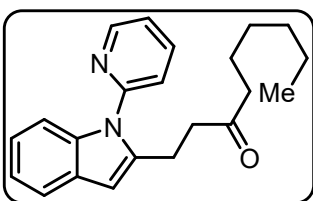


1575, 1472, 1337, 1200, 787; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 8.53 (s, 1H), 7.81 (t, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.59 (s, 1H), 7.33-7.23 (m, 2H), 7.22-7.16 (m, 2H), 7.15-7.05 (m, 2H), 6.91 (t, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 1H), 6.74 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 2H), 6.28 (s, 1H), 4.44 (s, 2H), 3.05 (t, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 2H), 2.92 (t, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 2H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$

NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 206.7, 157.7, 141.1, 138.7, 135.9, 130.3, 130.2, 129.8, 129.8, 129.7, 128.9, 124.8, 122.7, 121.9, 114.5, 114.0, 111.7, 101.9, 72.9, 38.3, 22.0; HRMS: (ESI) m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{19}\text{BrN}_2\text{O}_2$, 457.0522 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$; found 457.0522.

1-(1-(Pyridin-2-yl)-1H-indol-2-yl)nonan-3-one (3ag):

Yield: 77%; yellow liquid; $R_f = 0.50$ in 1:9 EtOAc/Hexane; IR (ν_{max} , cm^{-1}): 3119, 2926, 1712,

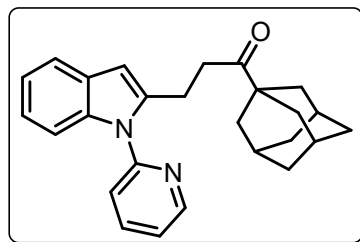


1276, 1461, 1276, 1173, 758; ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 8.61 (dd, $J = 5.0, 1.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.85 (dt, $J = 8.0, 1.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.54 (dd, $J = 7.5, 3.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.42 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.32-7.26 (m, 2H), 7.13-7.09 (m, 2H), 6.31 (s, 1H), 3.01 (t, $J = 9.4$ Hz, 2H), 2.76 (t,

$J = 9.2$ Hz, 2H), 2.35 (t, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 2H), 1.56-1.49 (m, 2H), 1.32-1.20 (m, 8H), 0.86 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 3H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 209.9, 167.1, 151.3, 149.7, 140.2, 138.4, 138.4, 137.3, 128.6, 122.2, 121.9, 121.1, 120.8, 120.0, 110.2, 102.3, 42.9, 41.8, 31.6, 28.9, 23.8, 22.5, 21.7, 14.1; HRMS: (ESI) m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{26}\text{N}_2\text{O}$, 335.2118 $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$; found 335.2132.

1-Adamantan-1-yl)-3-(1-(pyridin-2-yl)-1H-indol-2-yl)propan-1-one (3ah):

Yield: 55%; yellow liquid; $R_f = 0.5$ in 1:9 EtOAc/Hexane; IR (ν_{\max} , cm^{-1}): 3008, 2912, 1680,

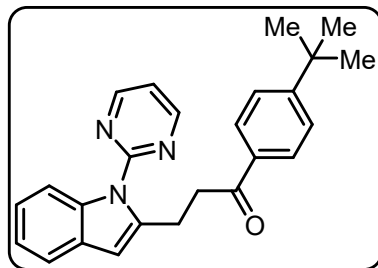


1460, 1427, 1181, 752; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 8.64 (d, $J = 4.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.89 (td, $J = 8.4, 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.56 (dd, $J = 5.6, 3.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.46 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.32 (m, 2H), 7.12 (dd, $J = 5.8, 3.2$ Hz, 2H), 6.42 (s, 1H), 3.03 (t, $J = 9.5$ Hz, 2H), 2.85 (t, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 2.02 (m, 3H), 1.76 (m, 7H), 1.72-1.70 (m, 2H),

1.65 (m, 5H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 214.5, 151.5, 149.8, 140.7, 138.5, 137.4, 128.7, 122.3, 121.9, 121.9, 121.3, 120.8, 120.1, 110.3, 102.2, 46.4, 38.3, 36.7, 35.8, 28.0, 21.8; HRMS: (ESI) m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{29}\text{N}_2\text{O}$, 385.2274 $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$; found 385.2280.

1-(4-(tert-Butyl)phenyl)-3-(1-(pyrimidin-2-yl)-1H-indol-2-yl)propan-1-one (3ai):

Yield: 72%; yellow liquid; $R_f = 0.50$ in 1:9 EtOAc/Hexane; IR (ν_{\max} , cm^{-1}): 2993, 1680, 1574,

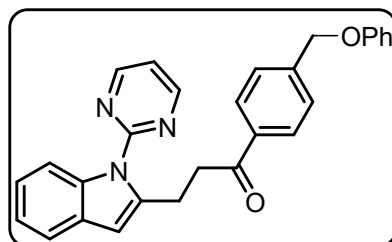


1476, 1250, 690; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 8.76 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 8.30 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.91 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.52 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.23-7.15 (m, 2H), 7.12 (t, $J = 4.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.52 (s, 1H), 3.58 (t, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 3.42 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2H), 1.33 (s, 9H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 199.1, 158.3, 156.9, 141.1, 137.1, 134.5, 129.4, 128.2,

125.6, 122.8, 122.1, 119.8, 117.2, 114.2, 106.3, 38.8, 35.2, 31.2, 24.3; HRMS: (ESI) m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{25}\text{N}_3\text{O}$, 384.2070 $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$; found 384.2084.

1-(4-(phenoxy)methyl)phenyl)-3-(1-(pyrimidin-2-yl)-1H-indol-2-yl)propan-1-one (3aj):

Yield: 73%; yellow liquid; $R_f = 0.50$ in 1:9 EtOAc/Hexane; IR (ν_{\max} , cm^{-1}): 3007, 2912, 1689,

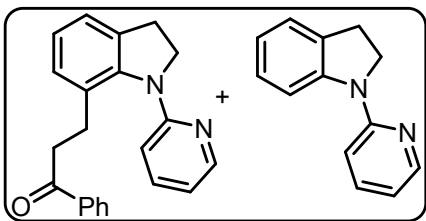


1555, 1470, 1220, 755; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24 °C): δ 8.73 (d, $J = 5.5$ Hz, 2H), 8.30 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.51 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.22-7.11 (m, 2H), 6.98 (t, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 1H), 6.84 (d, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 6.46 (s, 1H), 4.56 (s, 2H), 3.48 (t, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 3.08 (t, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 2H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3 ,

24 °C): δ 207.0, 157.8, 140.3, 137.0, 129.7, 122.9, 122.1, 121.8, 119.9, 117.1, 114.6, 114.3, 106.5, 72.9, , 39.2, 23.3; HRMS: (ESI) m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{23}\text{N}_3\text{O}_2$, 434.1863 $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$; found 434.1860.

1-(4-(phoxymethyl)phenyl)-3-(1-(pyrimidin-2-yl)-1*H*-indol-2-yl)propan-1-one (3ak):

Yield: 12% (Yield was calculated based on ¹H NMR); yellow liquid; *R*_f = 0.5 in 1:9



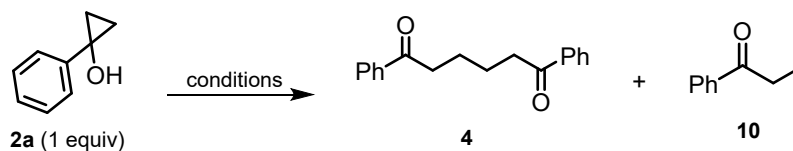
EtOAc/Hexane; IR (ν_{\max} , cm^{-1}): 3067, 3008, 2980, 1676, 1554, 1260, 750; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 24 °C): δ 8.57 (d, *J* = 4.4 Hz, 0.2H), 8.34 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 8.20 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 0.2H), 8.17 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 8.57 (dt, *J* = 8.1, 1.9 Hz, 0.2H), 7.72 (d, *J* = 3.4, 0.2 Hz, 0.2H), 7.66 (d, *J*

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6. Mechanistic investigation

6.1 Control experiment with cyclopropanol 2a:

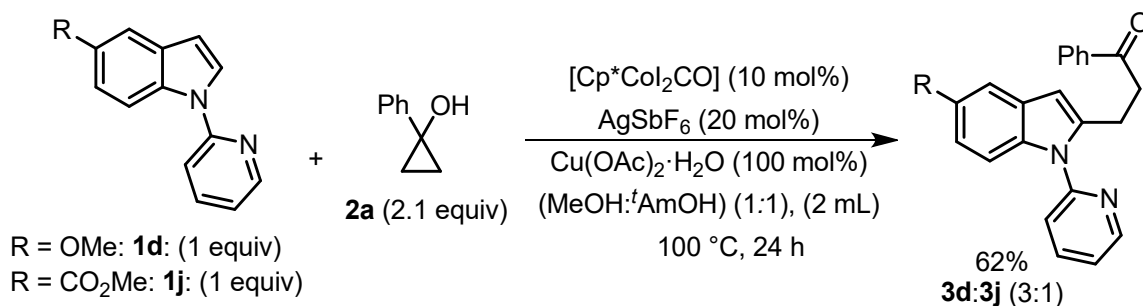
General experimental procedure was followed for the control experiment reactions.



Entry	Cp*CoI ₂ CO [10 mol%]	AgSbF ₆ [20 mol%]	Cu(OAc) ₂ ·H ₂ O [100 mol%]	Yield (%) ^a	
				4	10
1	✓	✓	✓	17	41
2	-	✓	✓	51	4
3	✓	-	✓	33	11
4	✓	✓	-	16	ND

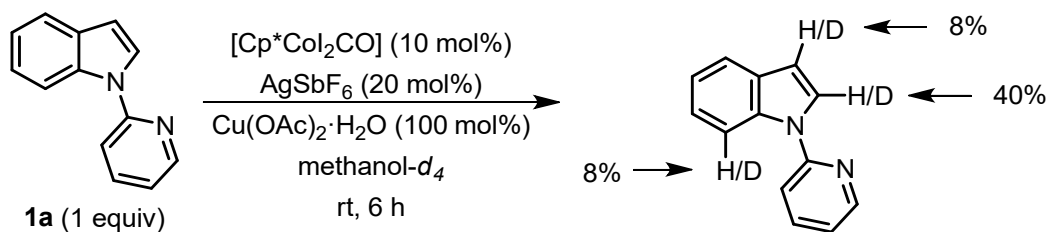
^a All are isolated yield.

6.2 Intermolecular competitive experiment with *N*-pyridylindoles

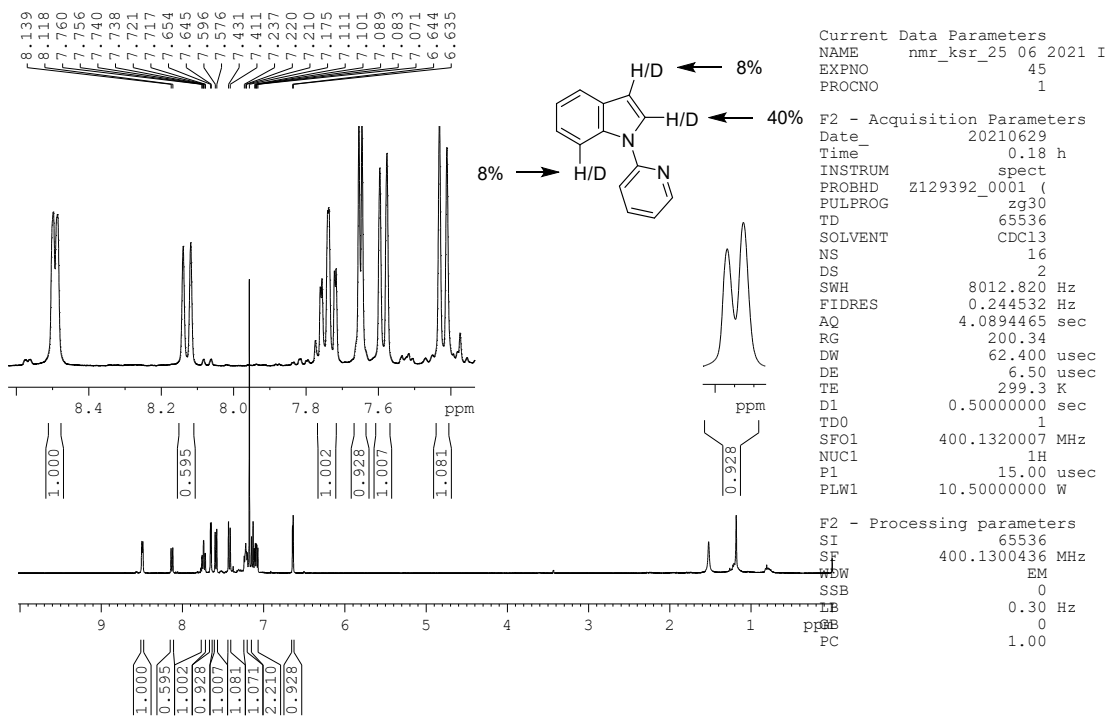


Oven-dried sealed tube was charged with 5-methoxy-1-(pyridin-2-yl)-1*H*-indole **1d** (0.22 mmol), (1.0 equiv), methyl-1-(pyridin-2-yl)-1*H*-indole-5-carboxylate **1j** (0.22 mmol), (1.0 equiv), 1-phenylcyclopropan-1-ol **2a** (0.46 mmol, 2.1 equiv), [Cp*CoI₂CO] (10 mol%), AgSbF₆ (20 mol%) and Cu(OAc)₂·H₂O (100 mol%). The inner atmosphere was made inert through repeated (thrice) evacuation and refilled with nitrogen. Dry (MeOH:*t*AmOH) (1:1), (2 mL) was added to the reaction mixture and the reaction mixture was stirred at 100 °C temperature for 4 h. After completion of the reaction (monitored by TLC), the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature, filtered through a pad of celite, and concentrated to get the crude product. The crude product was purified by column chromatography through silica gel to afford the expected products (**3d:3j**) in 62% in 3:1 ratio.

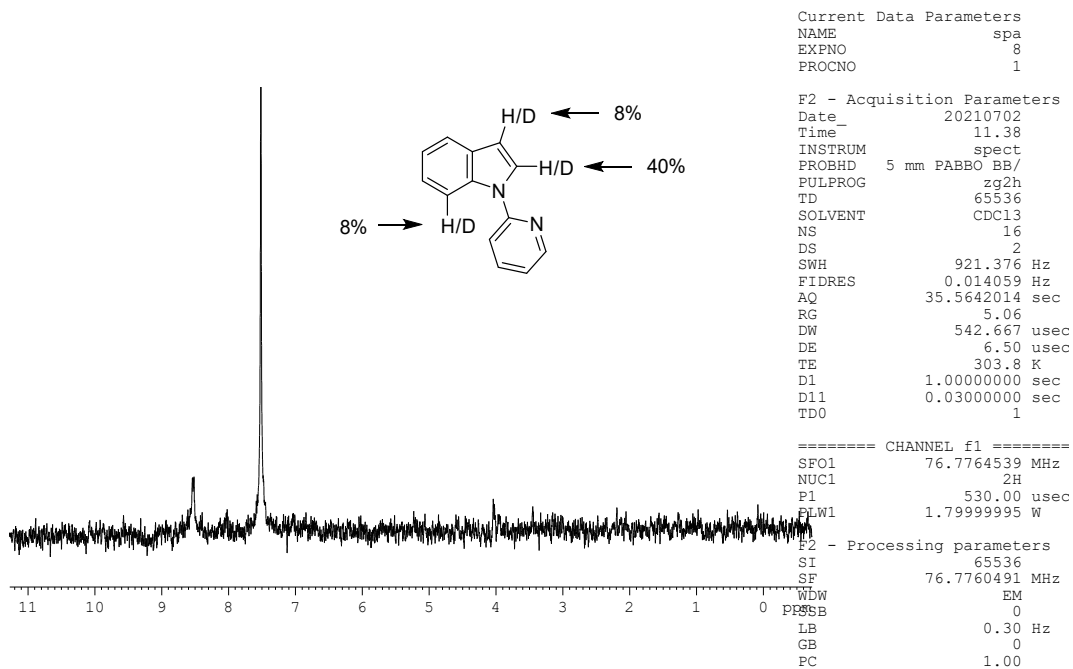
6.3 Deuterium experiment



1-(pyridin-2-yl)-1*H*-indole **1a** (50 mg) (1 equiv), [Cp*CoI₂CO], (10 mol %), Cu(OAc)₂·H₂O (100 mol%) and AgSbF₆ (20 mol%) were taken in a 15 mL reaction tube, followed by methanol-*d*₄ (2 mL) was added. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for 6 h. After 6 h, the reaction was diluted with DCM, filtered through celite, and the filtrate was concentrated. The crude residue was purified by column chromatography using hexane: ethyl acetate (2:8). The recovered **1a** (93%) had deuterium incorporation at C2, C3, and C7-position in 40%, 8%, and 8%, respectively.

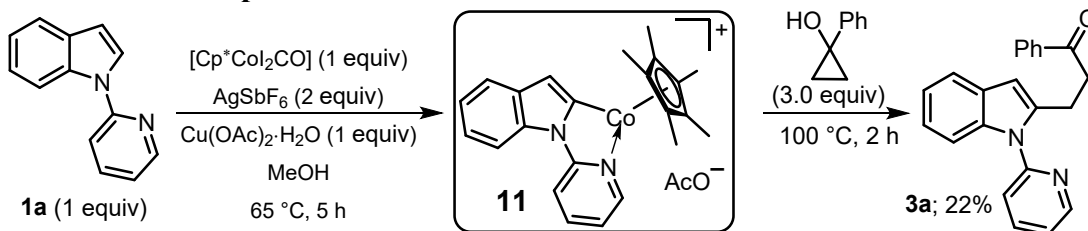


¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃, 24 °C) deuterated compound **1a/1a'**

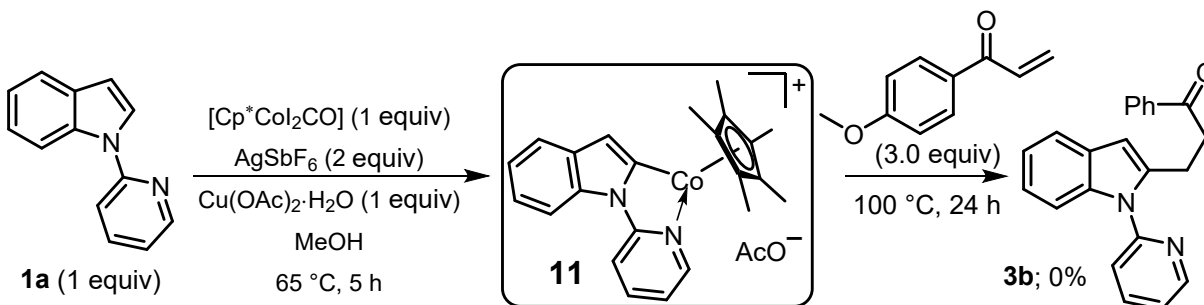


Deuterium NMR (500 MHz, CHCl₃, 24 °C) of the compound **1a/1a'**

6.4 Stoichiometric experiments

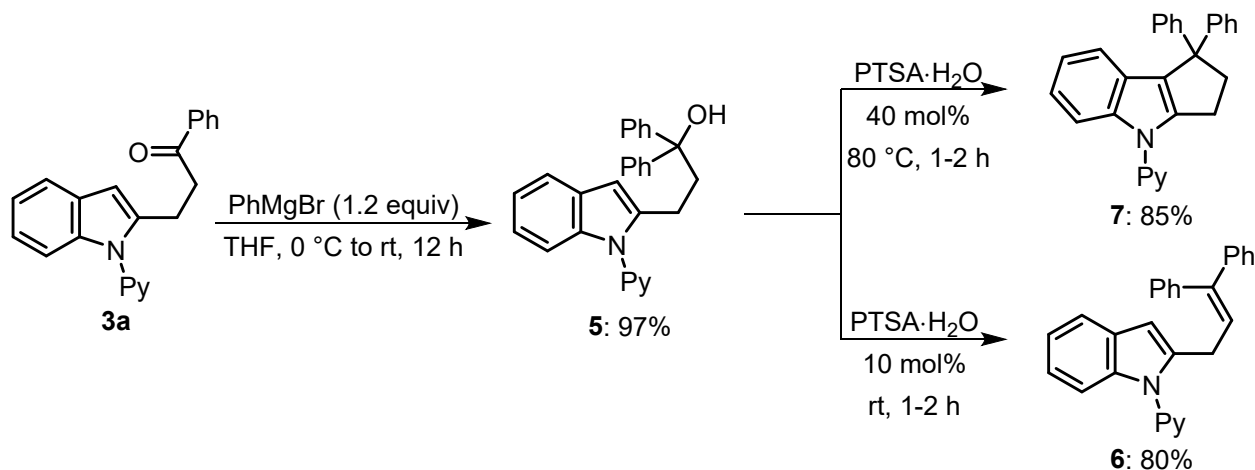


Oven-dried Schlenk tube was charged with **1a** (1 equiv, 0.26 mmol), $\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ (1 equiv), AgSbF_6 (2 equiv) and $[\text{Cp}^*\text{CoI}_2\text{CO}]$ (1 equiv). The charged Schlenk tube was made inert through repeated (thrice) evacuation and refilling with nitrogen. And 3 mL of dry MeOH (3mL) was added, then reaction mixture was stirred at $65\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ in a pre-heated oil bath for 5 h. Then, the reaction was cooled to room temperature and complex **11** was identified by HRMS. Subsequently, the compound **11** was transferred to pressure tube under inert atmosphere and **2a** (3 equiv) was added followed by stirring at $100\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ for 2 h. The reaction mixture was brought to room temperature, filtered through a pad of celite and concentrated to get the crude product. The crude product was purified by column chromatography through silica gel to afford the expected product **3a** in 22% yield.



Similarly, an oven-dried Schlenk tube was charged with **1a** (1 equiv, 0.26 mmol), $\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ (1 equiv), AgSbF_6 (2 equiv) and $[\text{Cp}^*\text{CoI}_2\text{CO}]$ (1 equiv). The charged Schlenk tube was made inert through repeated (thrice) evacuation and refilling with nitrogen and 3 mL of dry MeOH (3mL) was added. The reaction mixture was stirred at $65\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ in a pre-heated oil bath for 5 h. Subsequently, compound **11** was transferred to pressure tube under inert atmosphere and 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)prop-2-en-1-one (3 equiv) was added followed by stirring at $100\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ for 24 h. The desired product **3b** did not formed and **1a** and 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)prop-2-en-1-one were recovered.

7. Synthetic of 1,1-Diphenyl-4-(pyridin-2-yl)-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro cyclopenta-[b]indole (6) and 2-(3,3-diphenylallyl)-1-(pyridin-2-yl)-1H-indole (7):

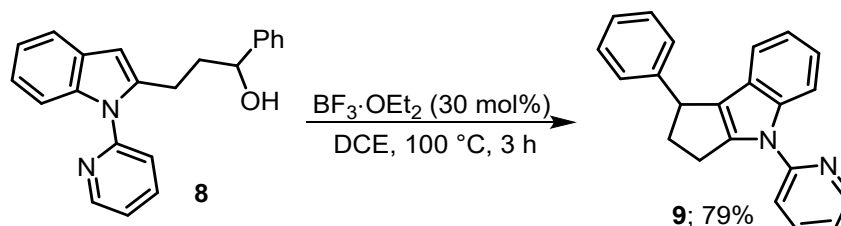


A 25 mL round-bottom flask was charged with alkylated indole **3a** (0.60 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and dry THF (5 mL), subsequently, phenyl magnesium bromide (0.72 mmol, 1.2 equiv) was added dropwise. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature. Once the reaction was completed (monitored by TLC), the reaction mixture was quenched with ammonium chloride solution. The mixture was extracted with DCM and washed with water. The collected organic layer was concentrated to get the crude product. The crude product was purified by column chromatography to afford the expected product **5** in 97% yield.

The alcohol **5** was treated with PTSA·H₂O (10 mol%) in DCE at room temperature for 2 h. The progress of the reaction was monitored by TLC. The reaction mixture was quenched with NaHCO₃ solution. The mixture was extracted with DCM and washed using water. The collected organic layer was concentrated to get the crude product. The crude product was purified by column chromatography through silica gel to afford the expected product **6** in 80% yield.

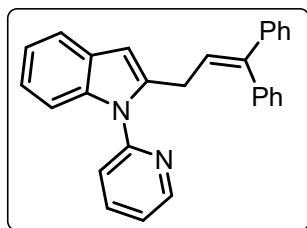
On the other hand, the mixture of alcohol **5** and 40 mol% of PTSA·H₂O in DCE was heated at 80 °C for 2 h. After the reaction was completed, the reaction mixture was quenched with NaHCO₃ solution, extracted with DCM and washed with water. The collected organic layer was concentrated to get the crude product. The crude was subjected silica gel column chromatography to give **7** in 85% of yield.

7.1 Synthetic of 1-Phenyl-4-(pyridin-2-yl)-1,2,3,4-tetrahydrocyclopenta[*b*]indole (9):



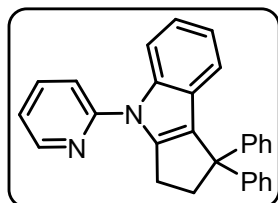
Oven dried 15 mL reaction tube was charged with alcohol **8** (0.15 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and dry DCE (2 mL). Subsequently, $\text{BF}_3 \cdot \text{OEt}_2$ (0.044 mmol, 50 mol%) was added and closed with stopper. The reaction tube was kept in a preheated oil bath at 100°C . After completion of the reaction (monitored by TLC), the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and quenched with NaHCO_3 solution, extracted with DCM and washed with water. The collected organic layer was concentrated to get the crude product. The crude product was purified by column chromatography through silica gel to afford the expected product **9** in 79% yield.

2-(3,3-Diphenylallyl)-1-(pyridin-2-yl)-1*H*-indole (6):



Yield: 80%; yellow liquid; $R_f = 0.50$ in 1:9 EtOAc/Hexane; IR (ν_{max} , cm^{-1}): 2939, 1725, 1678, 1403, 1234, 678; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24°C): δ 8.53 (d, $J = 4.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.77 (t, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.57 (dd, $J = 4.1, 2.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.35-7.27 (m, 5H), 7.26-7.19 (m, 5H), 7.16-7.11 (m, 5H), 6.53 (s, 1H), 6.16 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 3.70 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24°C): δ 159.4, 149.7, 143.2, 142.6, 139.9, 139.5, 138.4, 137.5, 129.9, 128.7, 128.3, 128.2, 127.6, 127.3, 127.2, 125.5, 122.0, 121.9, 121.0, 120.8, 120.2, 110.4, 103.2, 28.7; HRMS: (ESI) m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_2$, 387.1856 $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$; found 387.1857.

1,1-Diphenyl-4-(pyridin-2-yl)-1,2,3,4-tetrahydrocyclopenta[*b*]indole (7):

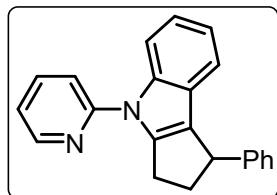


Yield: 85%; yellow liquid; $R_f = 0.50$ in 1:9 EtOAc/Hexane; IR (ν_{max} , cm^{-1}): 2922, 1735, 1567, 1471, 1224, 750; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24°C): δ 8.46 (d, $J = 4.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.85 (t, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.67 (t, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.33 (d, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.32-7.27 (m, 4H), 7.24 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.20-7.13 (m, 4H), 7.12-6.94 (m, 5H), 3.18 (t, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 2H), 3.09 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3 , 24°C): δ 152.2, 149.2, 148.3, 143.8, 142.5, 140.2, 138.3,

137.8, 128.2, 127.9, 127.6, 126.0, 125.6, 122.7, 121.9, 121.3, 120.4, 119.5, 116.5, 112.8, 57.4, 47.3, 27.8; HRMS: (ESI) m/z calcd. for $C_{28}H_{22}N_2$, 387.1856 $[M+H]^+$; found 387.1853.

1,1-Diphenyl-4-(pyridin-2-yl)-1,2,3,4-tetrahydrocyclopenta[*b*]indole (9):

Yield: 79%; yellow liquid; R_f = 0.50 in 1:9 EtOAc/Hexane; IR (ν_{max} , cm^{-1}): 2990, 1656, 1555,

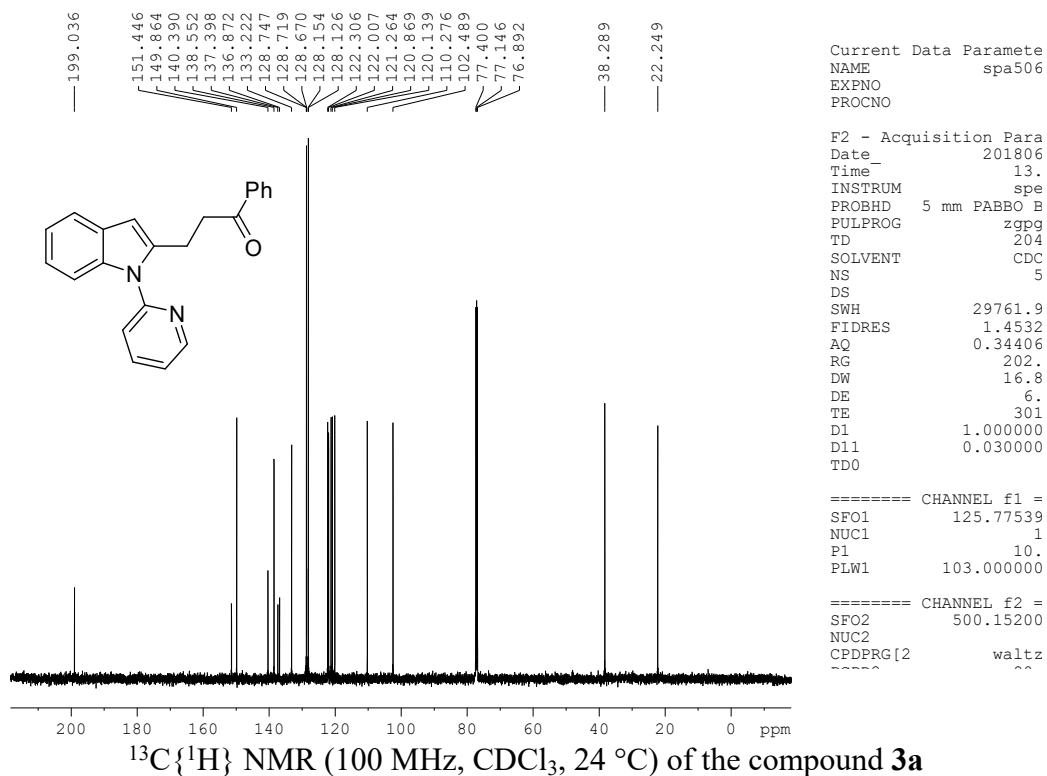
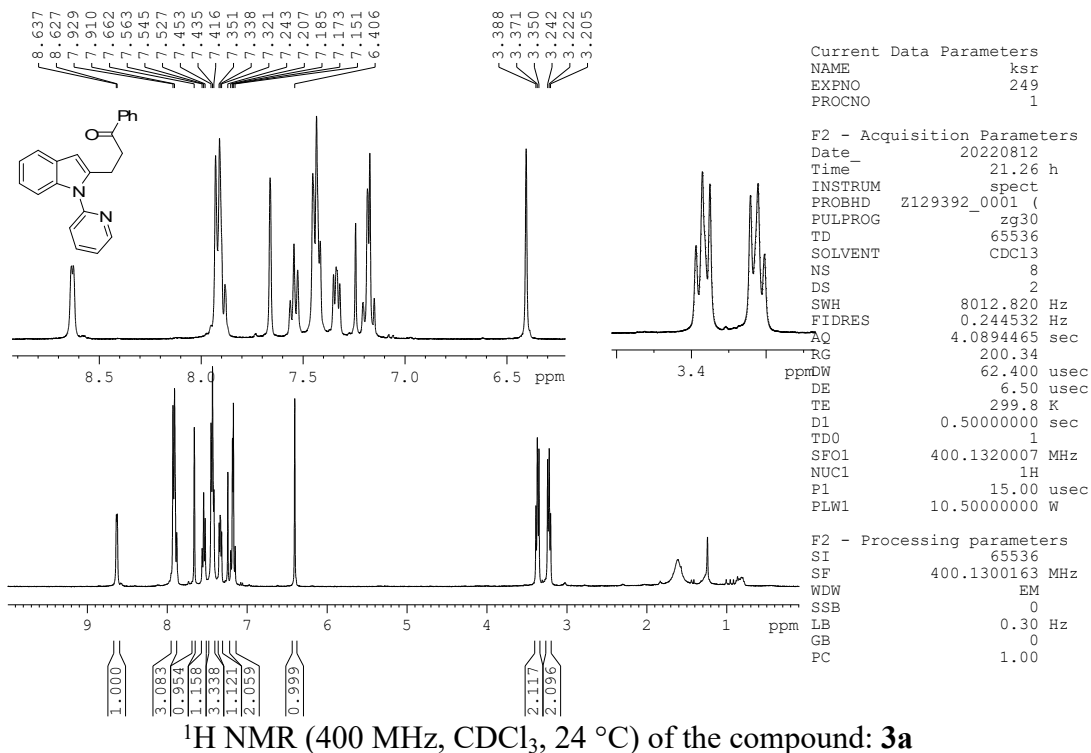


1445, 1224, 750; 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$, 24 °C): δ 8.54 (d, J = 4.4 Hz, 1H), 7.94 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.78 (t, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.26 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 7.21-7.20 (m, 3H), 7.18-7.08 (m, 4H), 7.00 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 4.46 (t, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 3.28-3.18 (m, 1H),

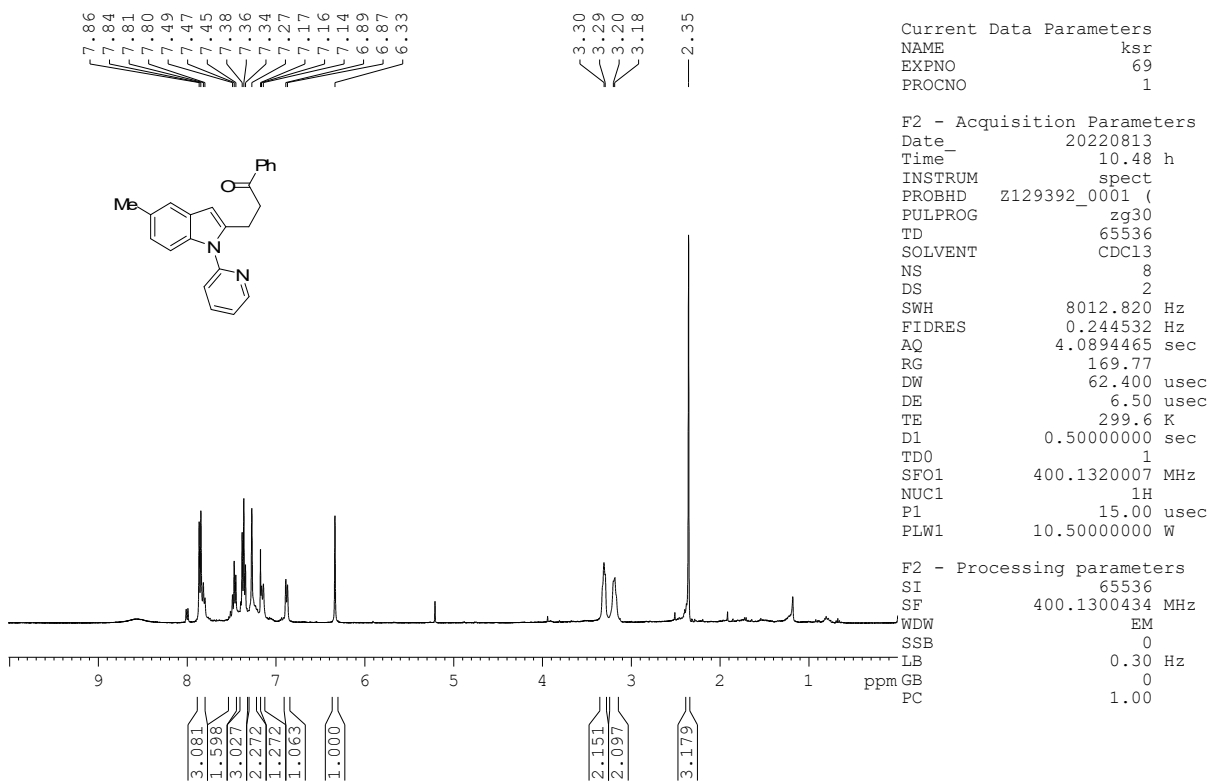
3.14-2.98 (m, 2H), 2.41-2.32 (m, 1H); ^{13}C { 1H } NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$, 24 °C): δ 152.5, 149.3, 145.8, 145.2, 140.4, 138.3, 128.5, 127.5, 126.6, 125.7, 124.6, 121.9, 121.1, 120.2, 119.0, 116.1, 112.8, 44.5, 40.0, 27.8; HRMS: (ESI) m/z calcd. for $C_{22}H_{18}N_2$, 333.1362 $[M+Na]^+$; found 333.1357.

8. Spectral data

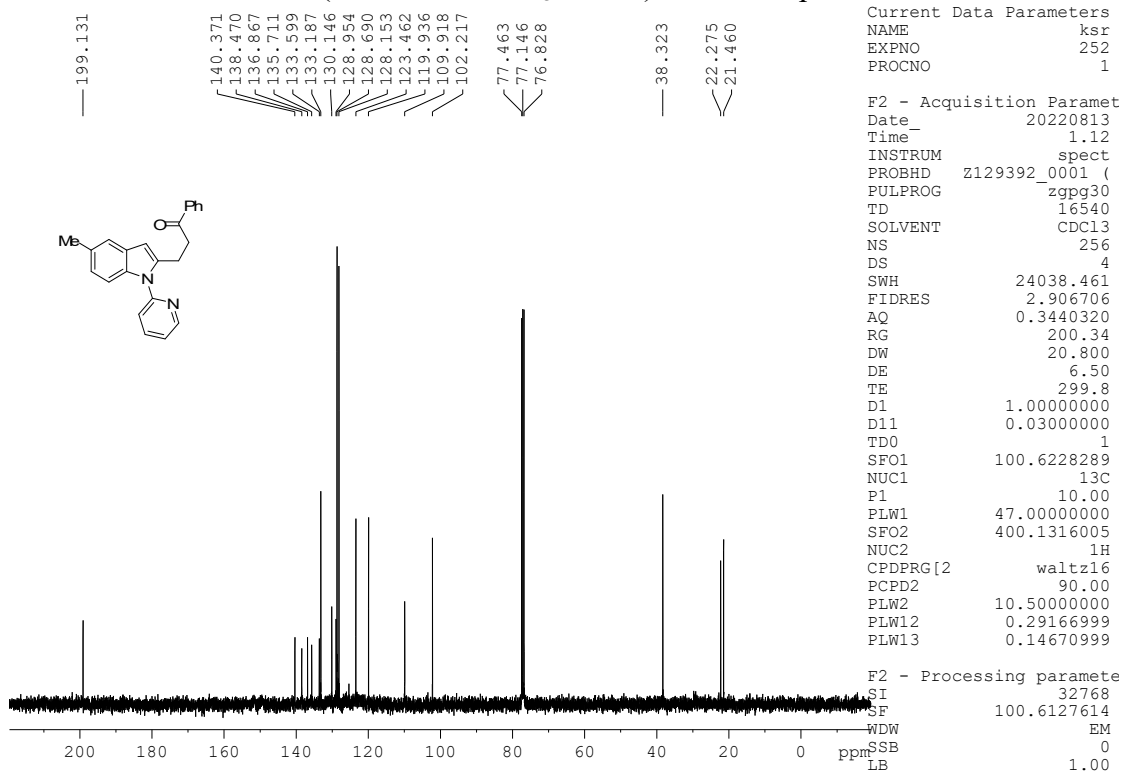
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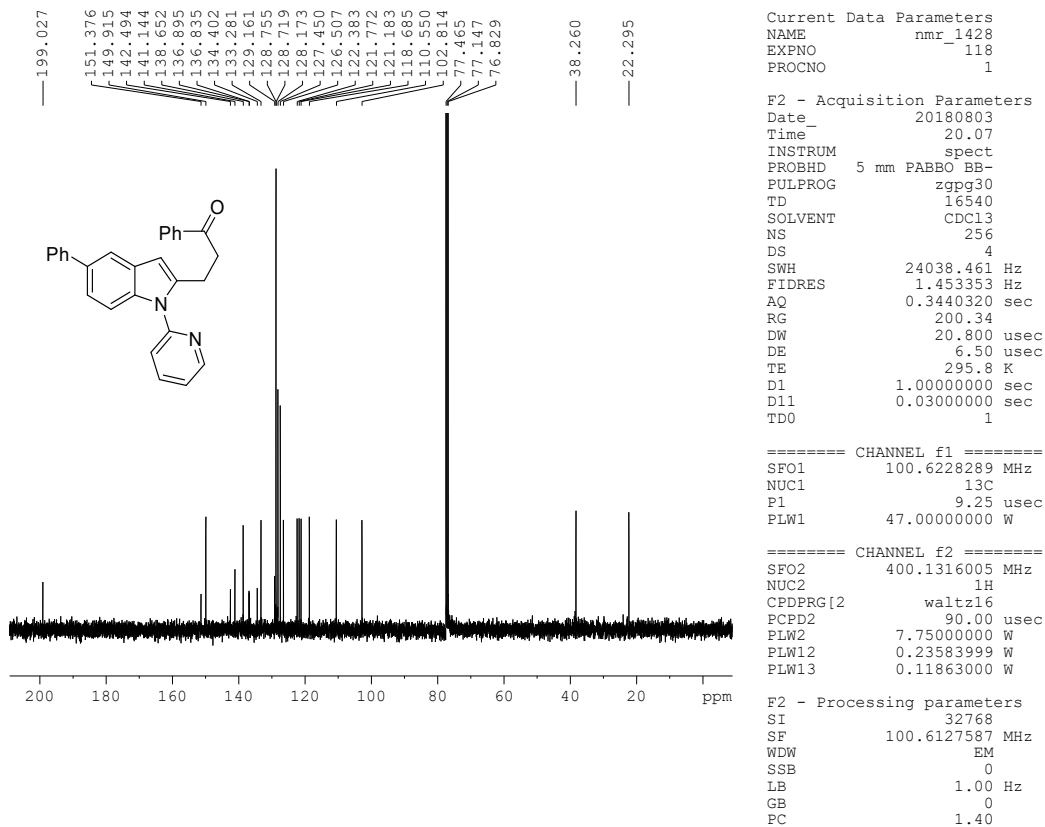
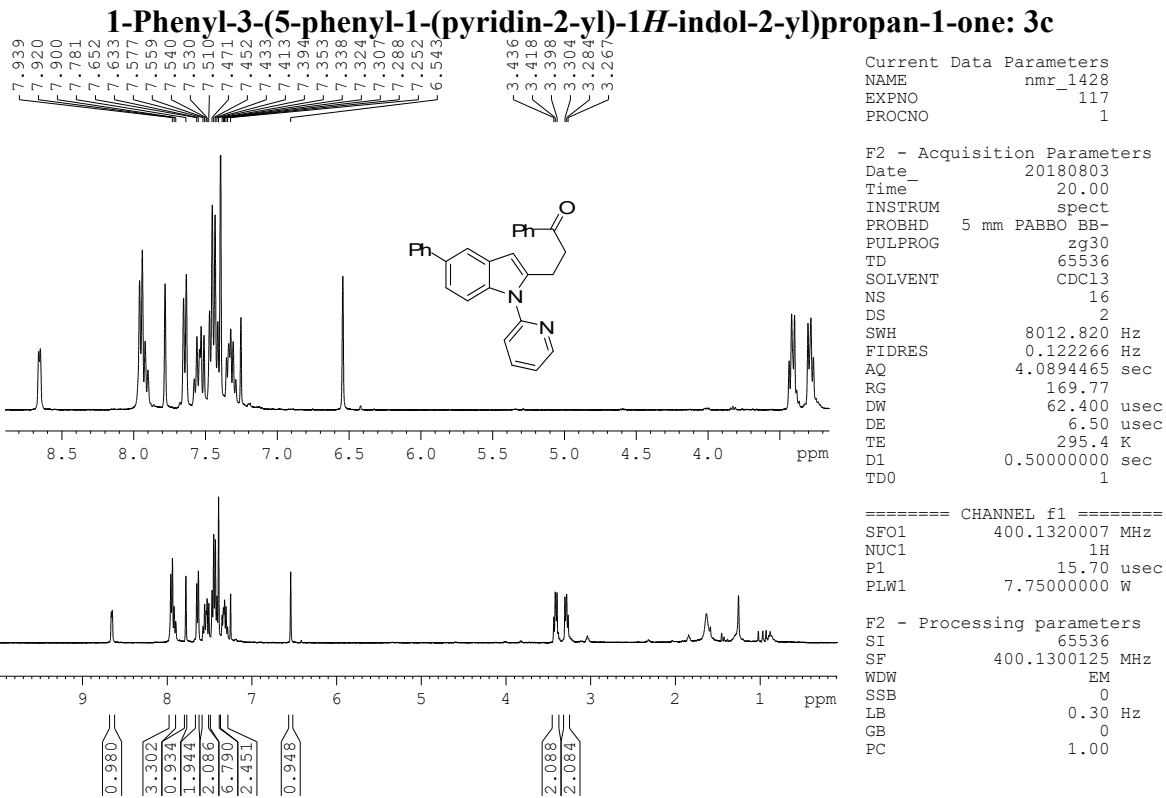
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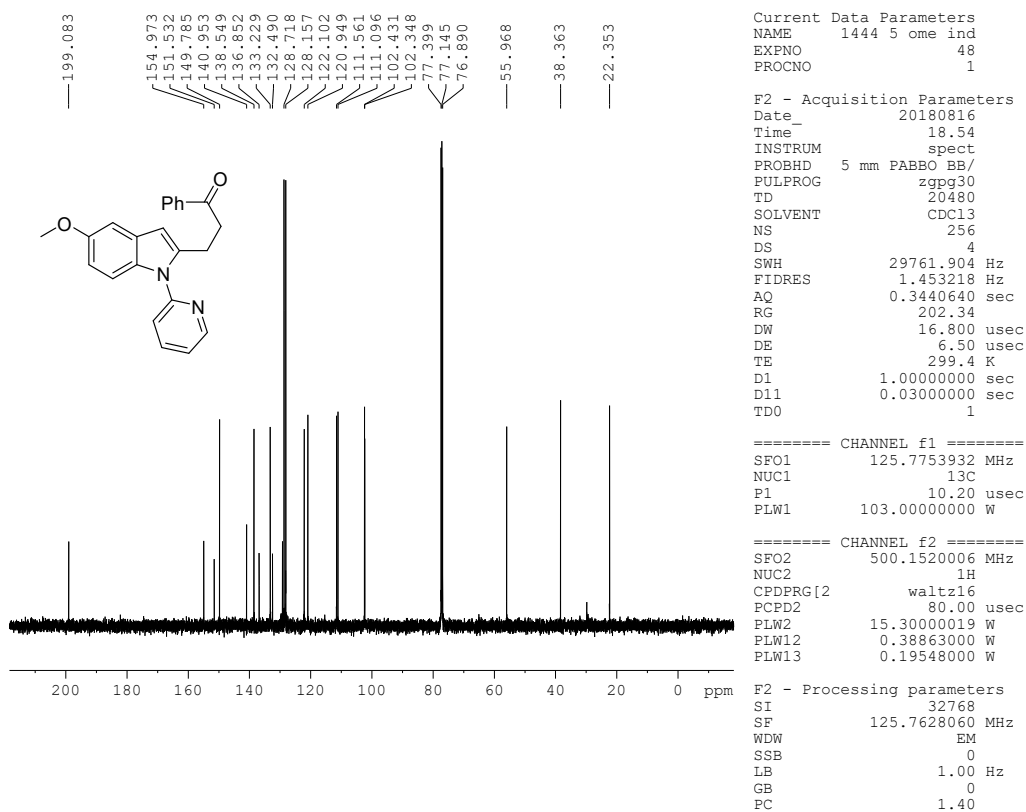
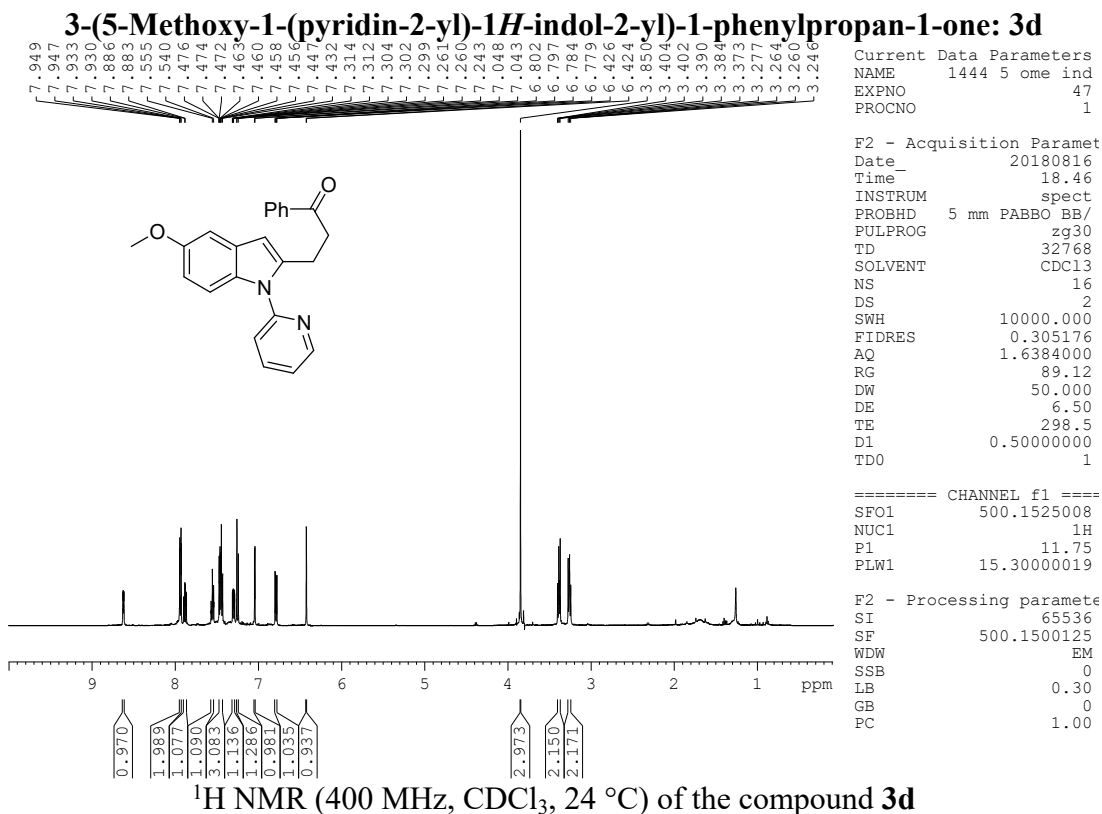


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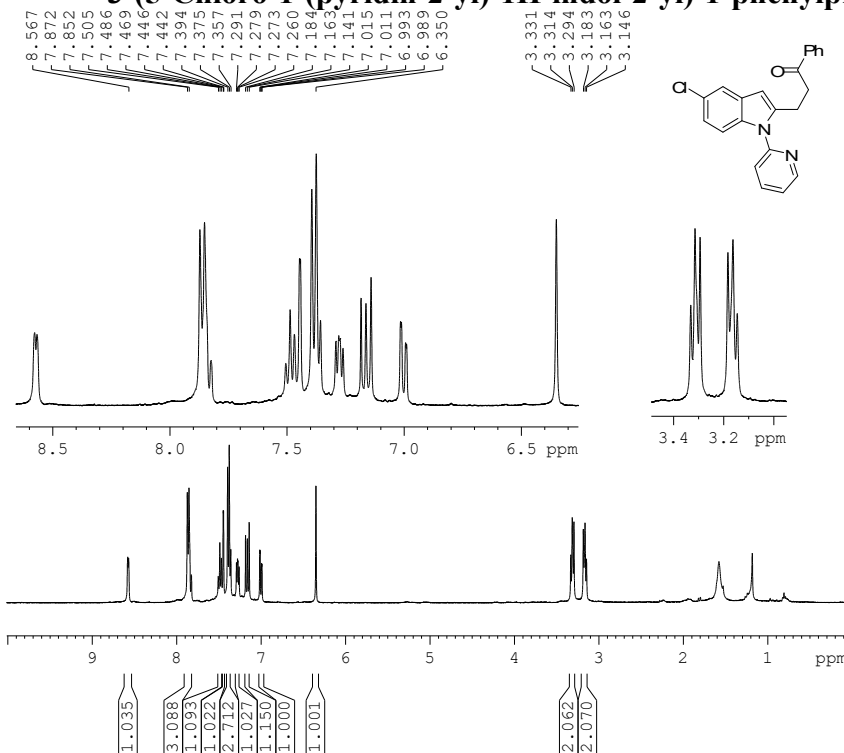


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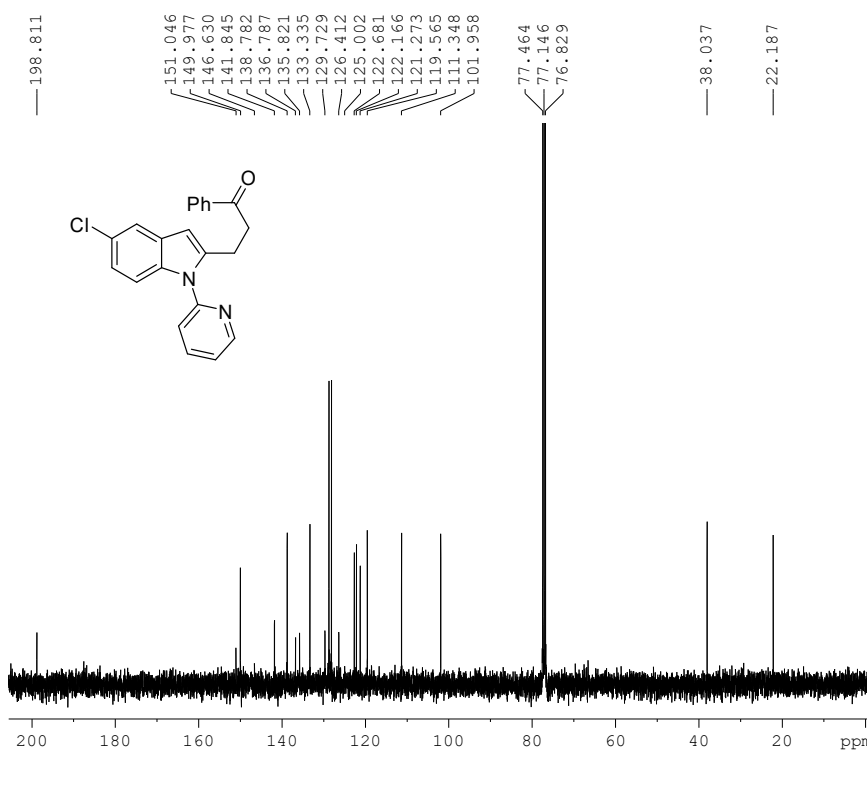


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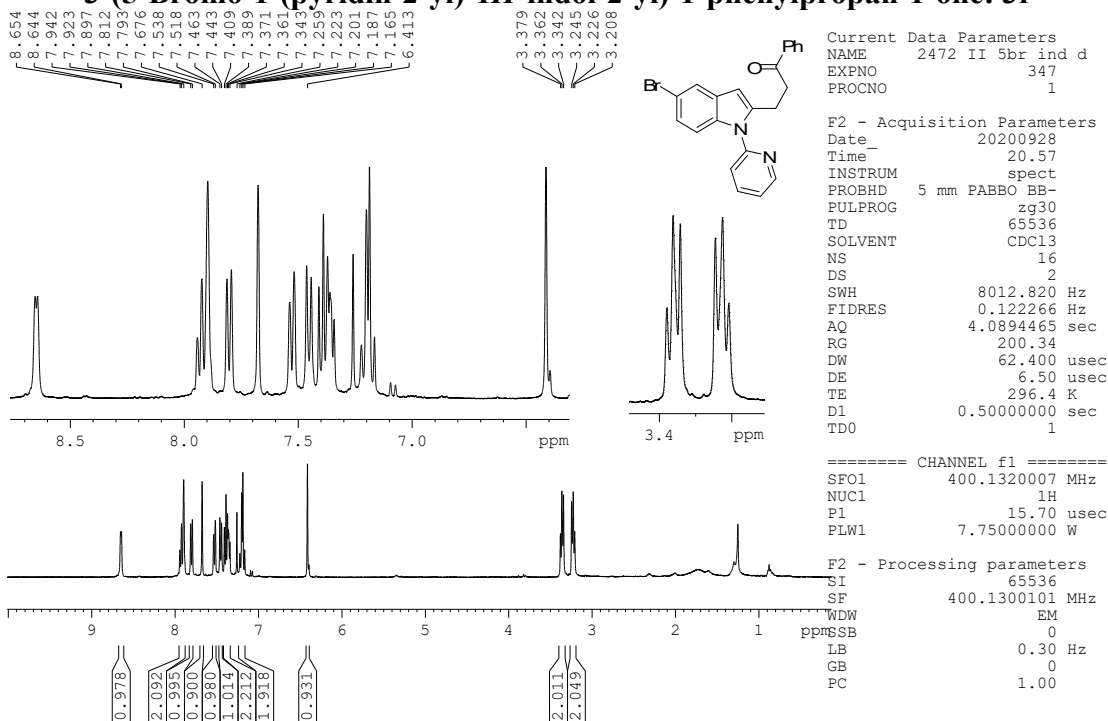
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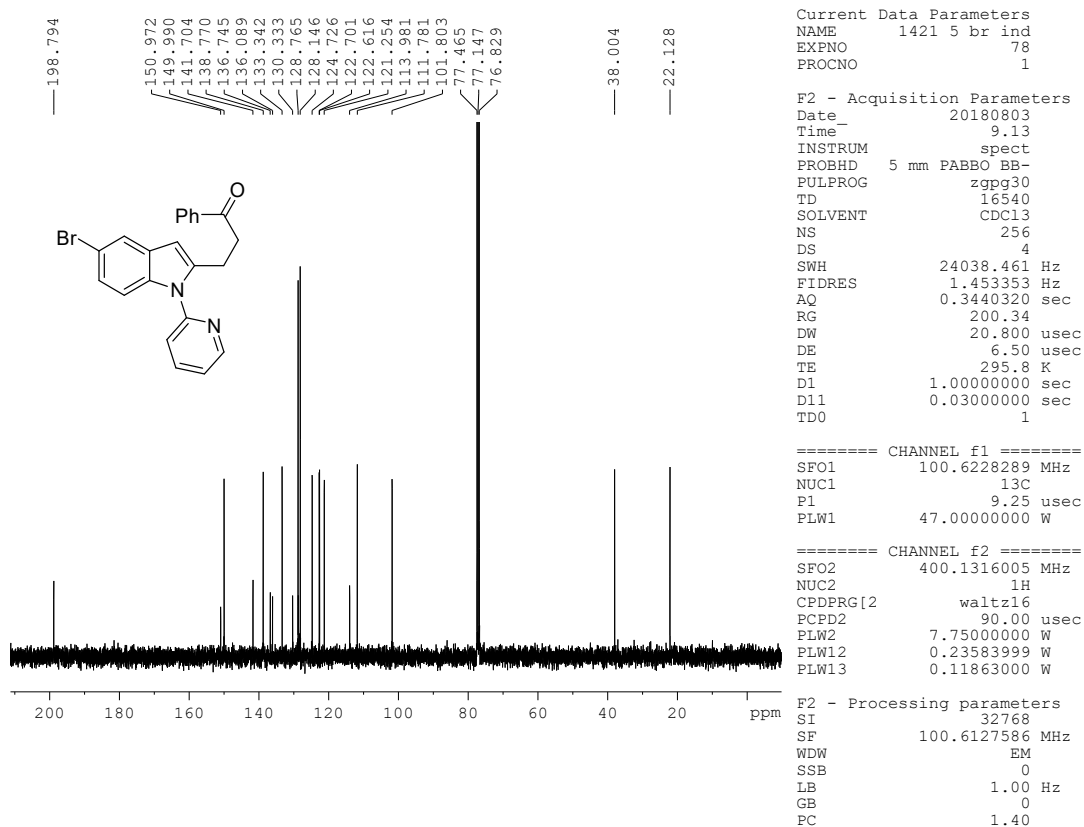
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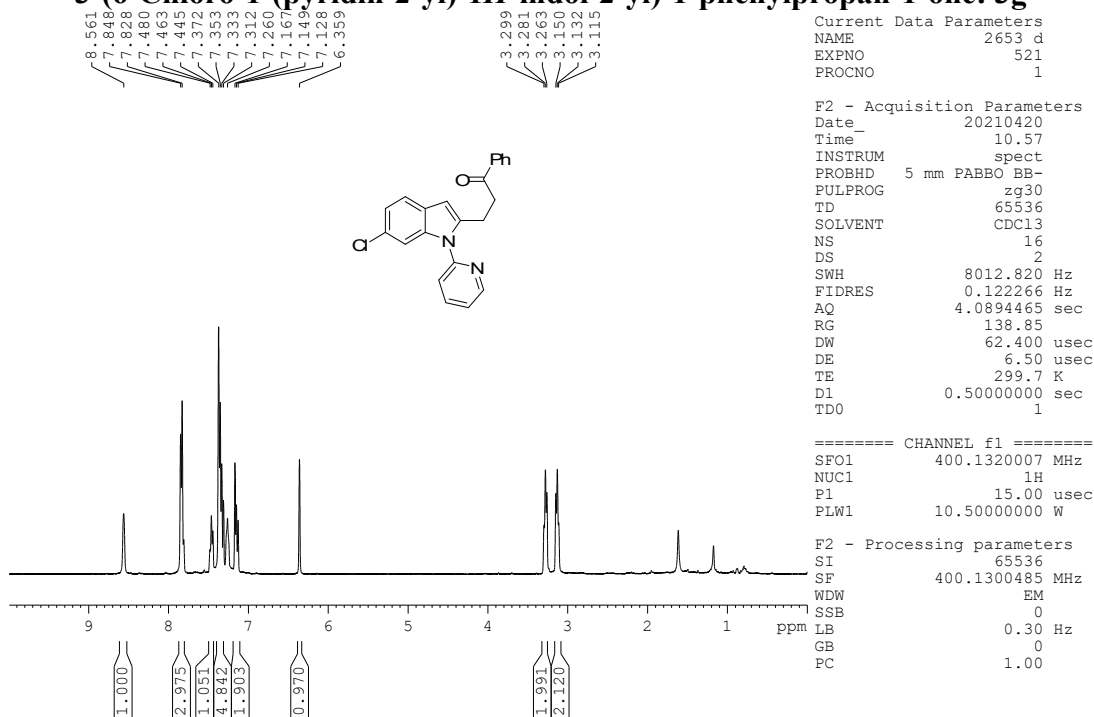


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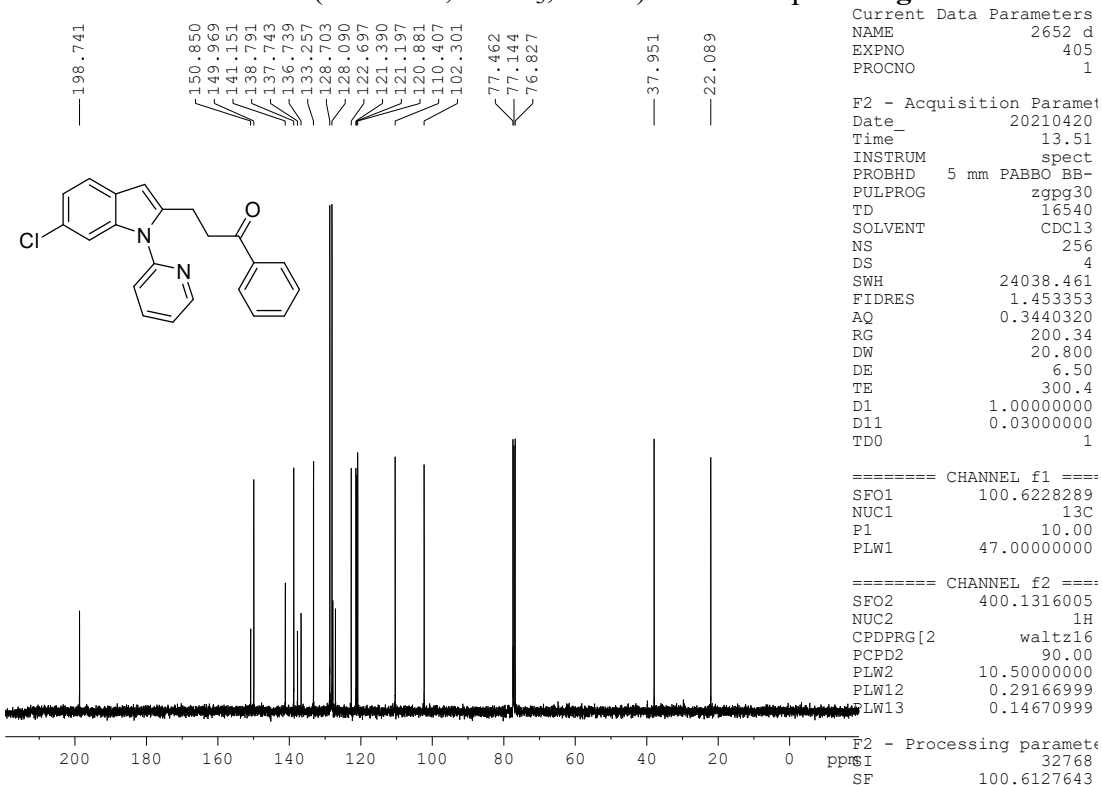


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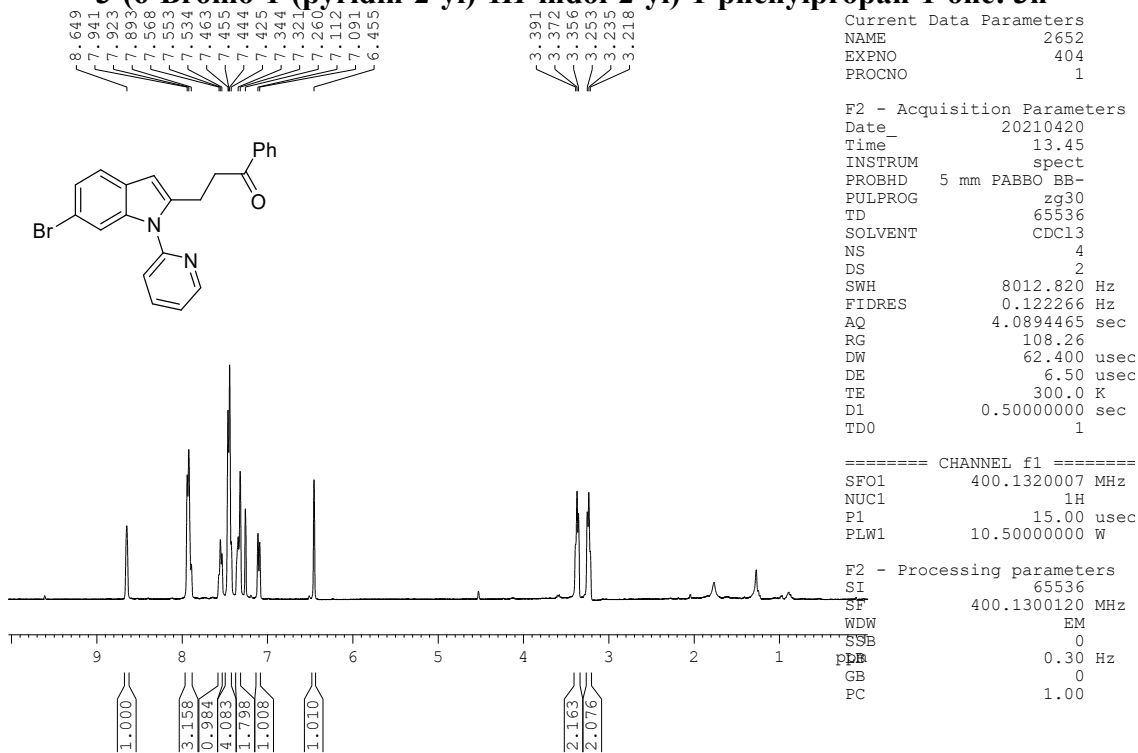


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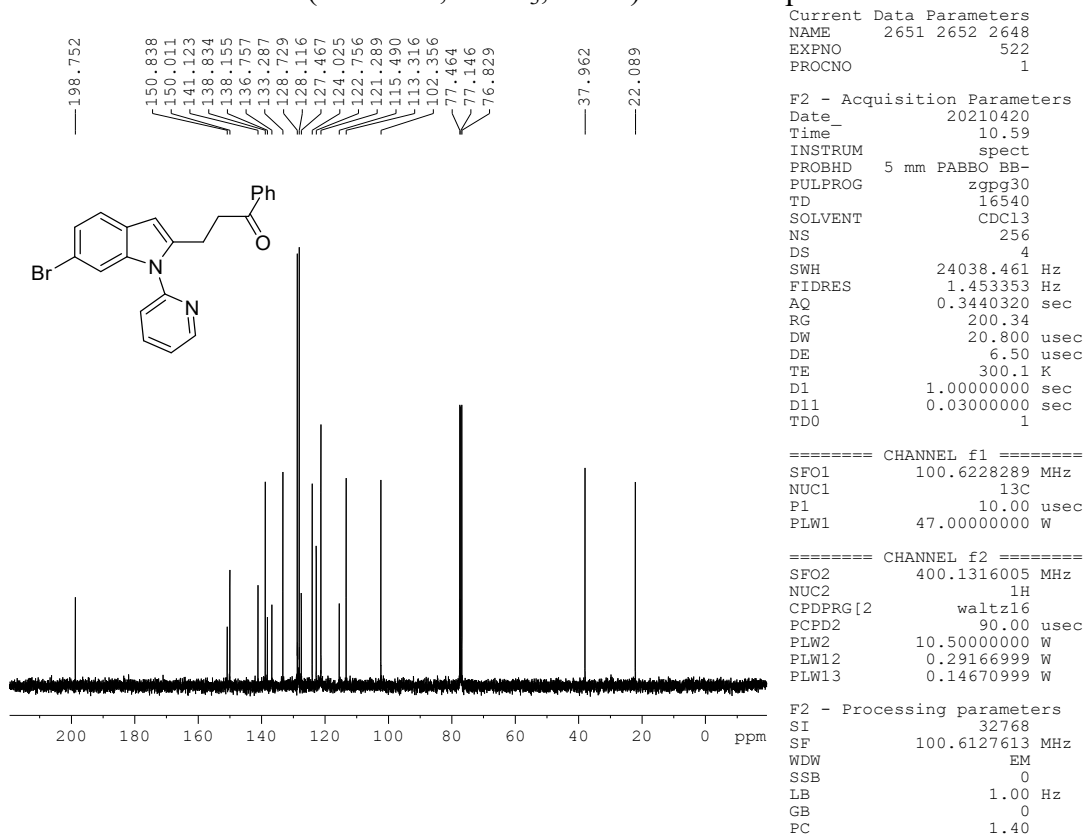


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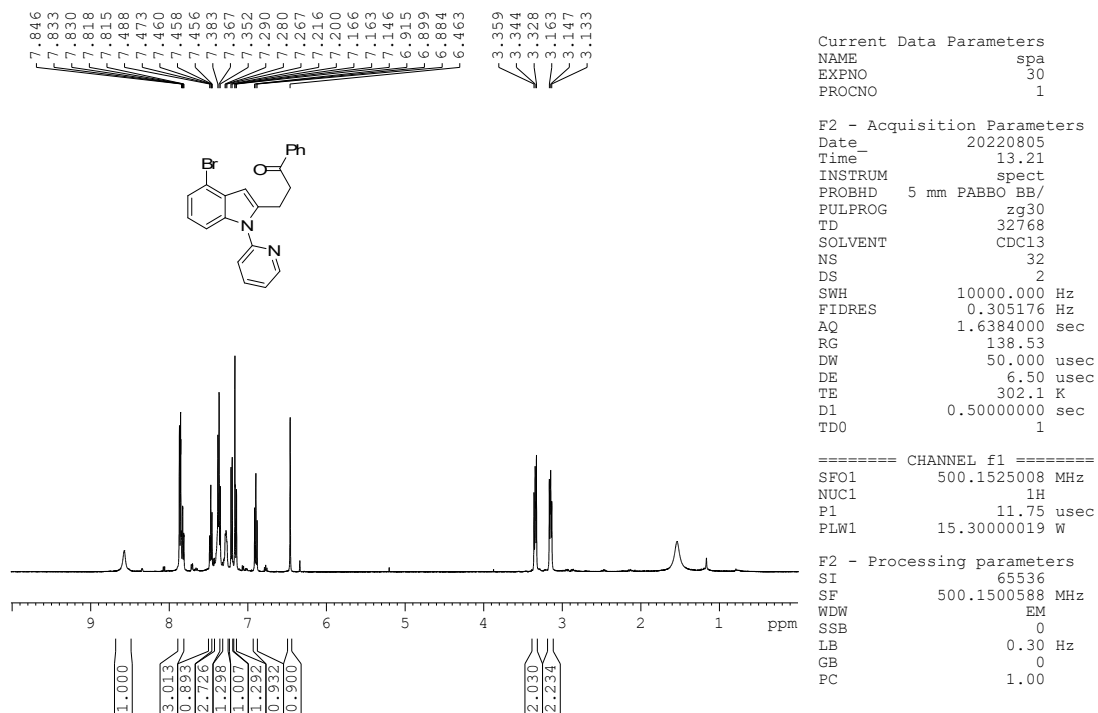


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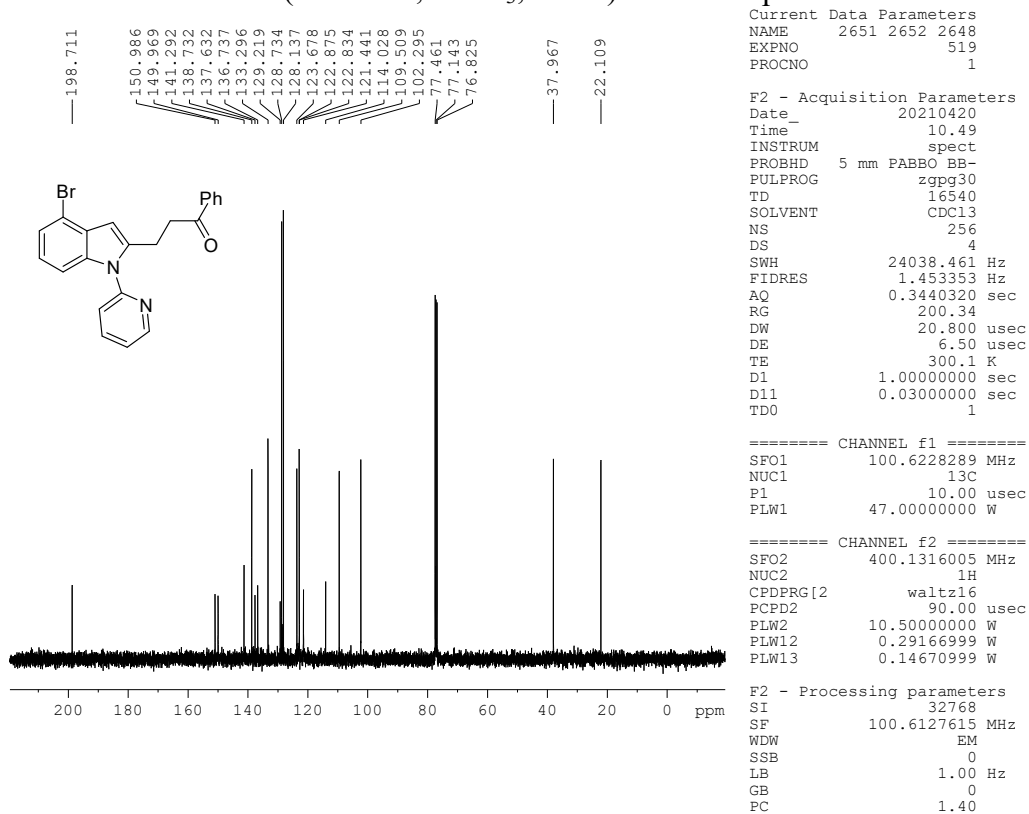


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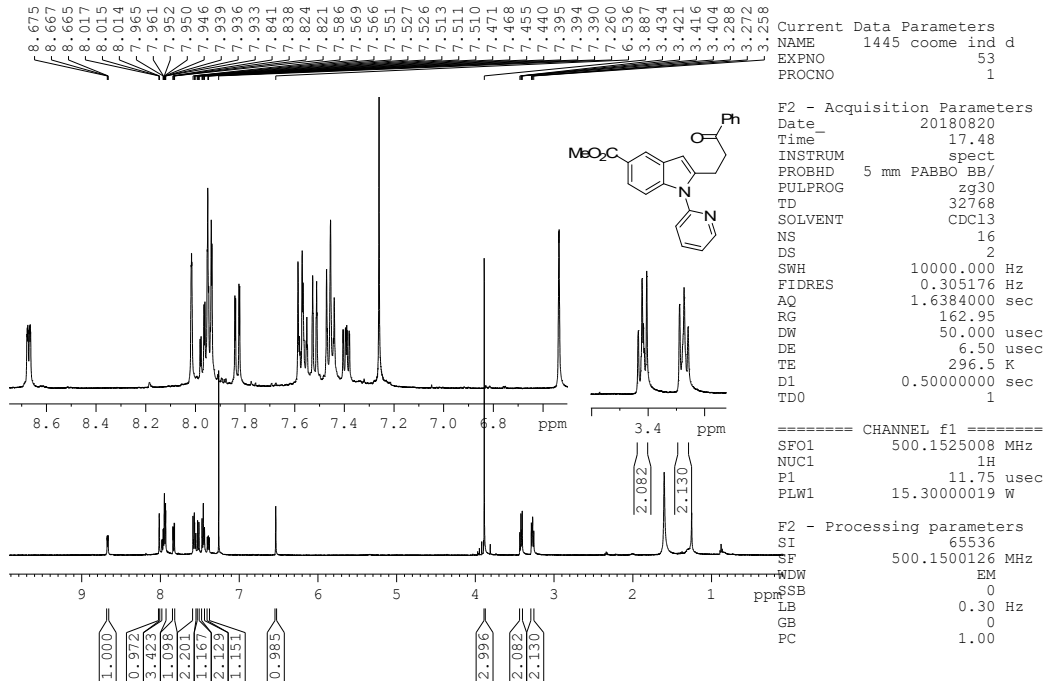


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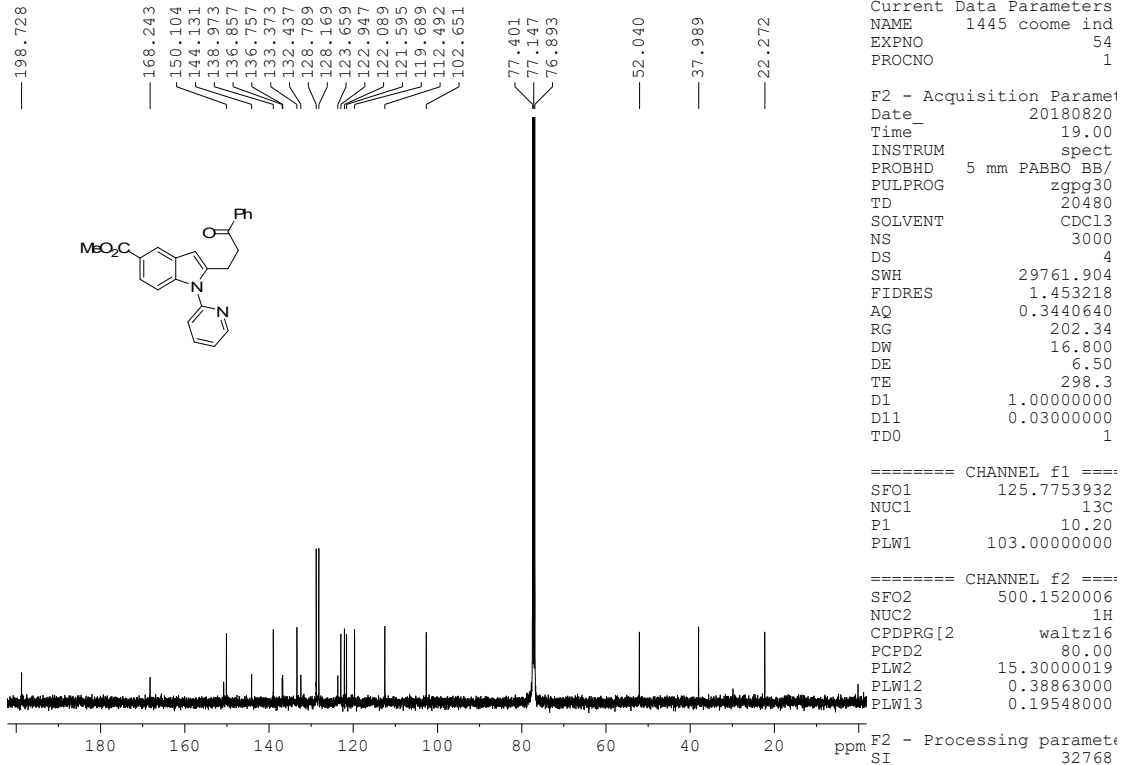


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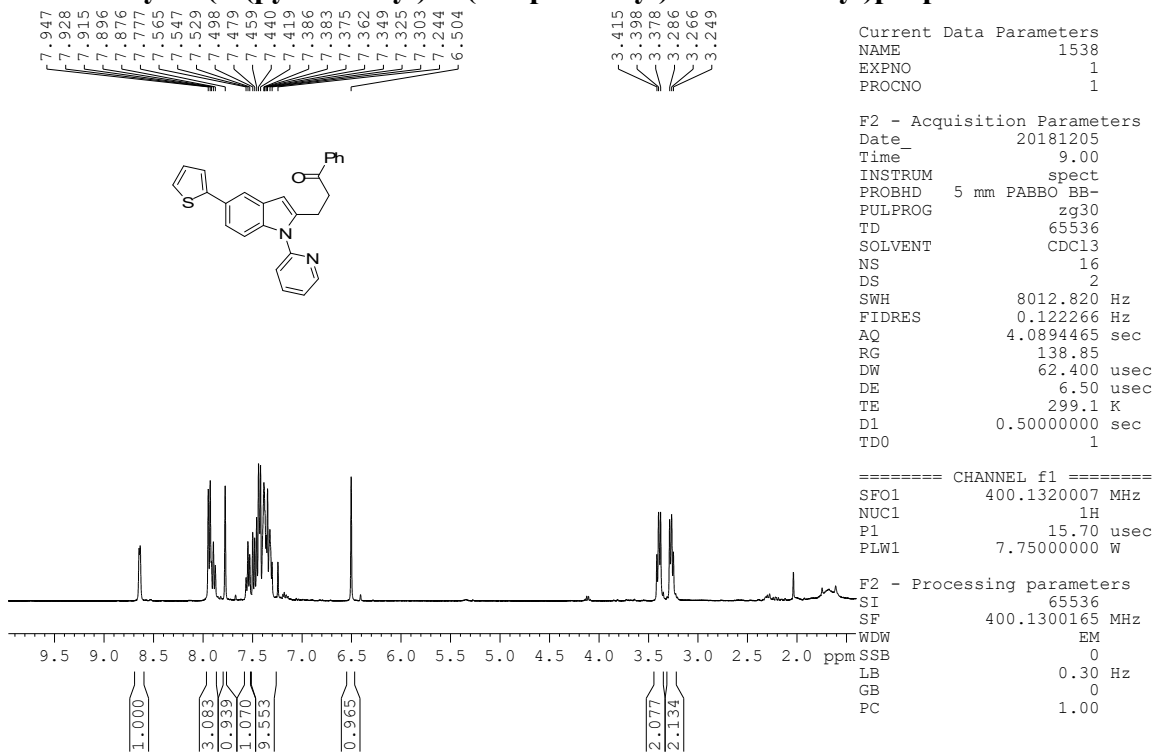


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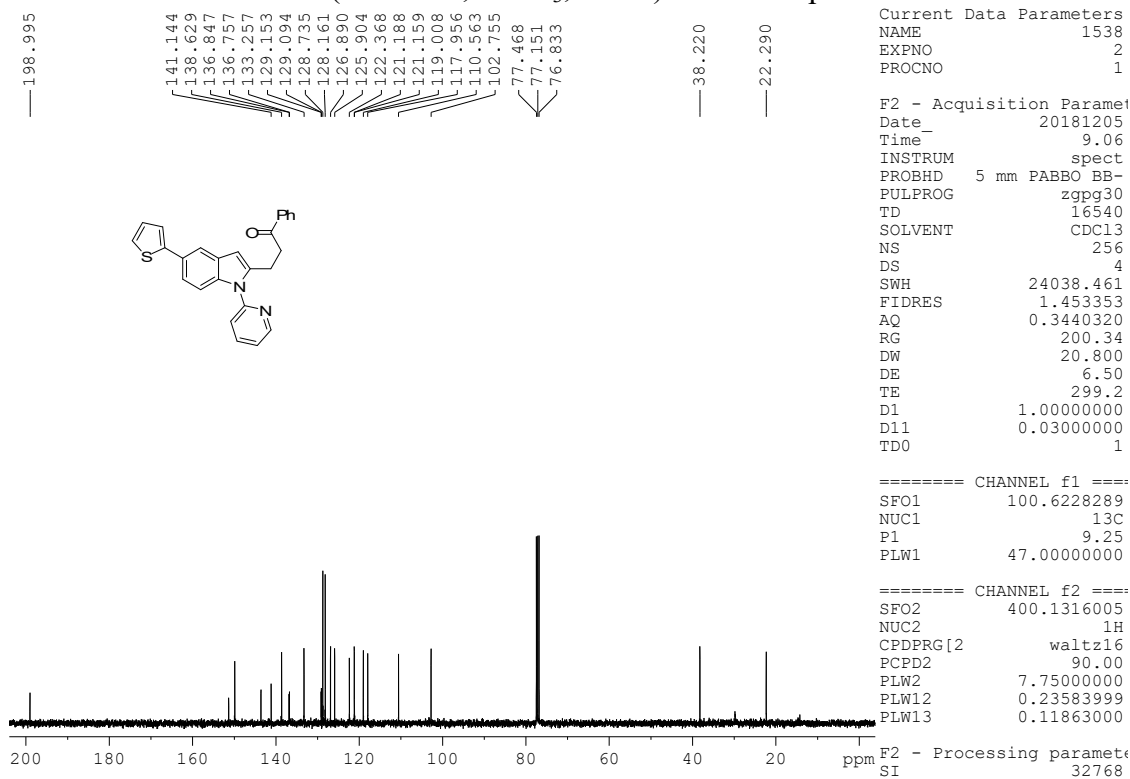


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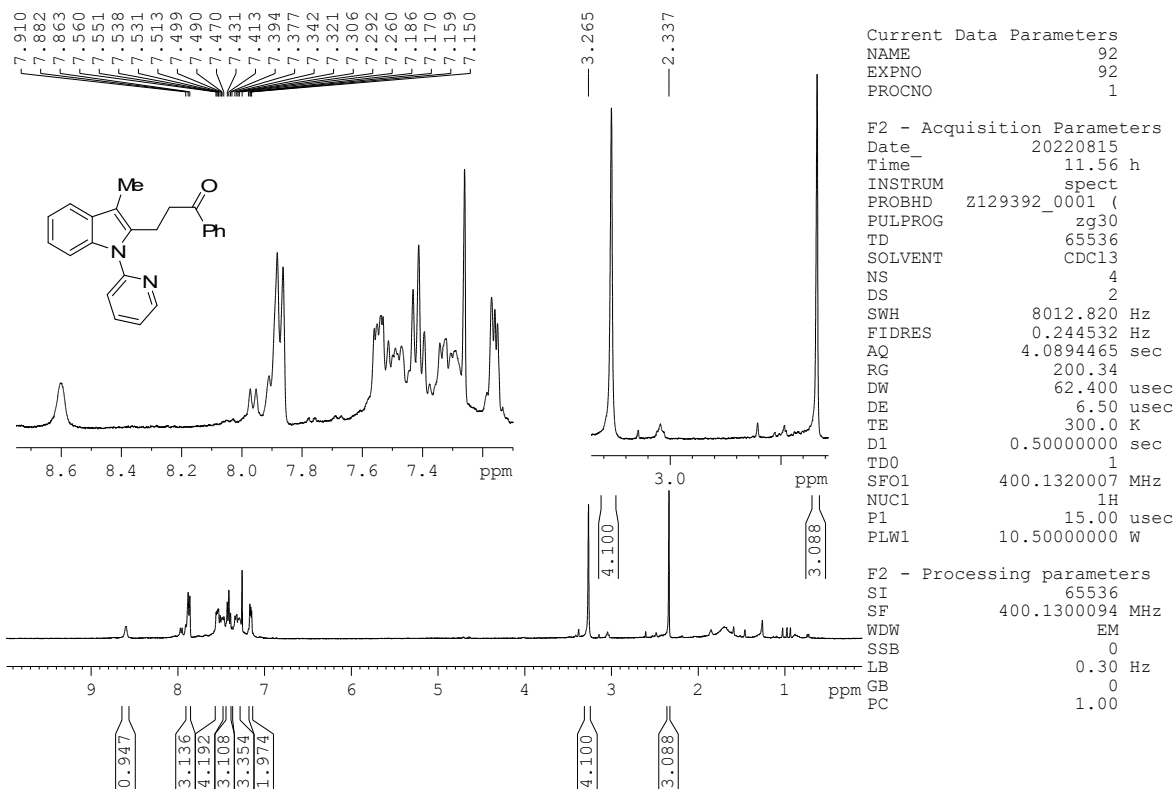


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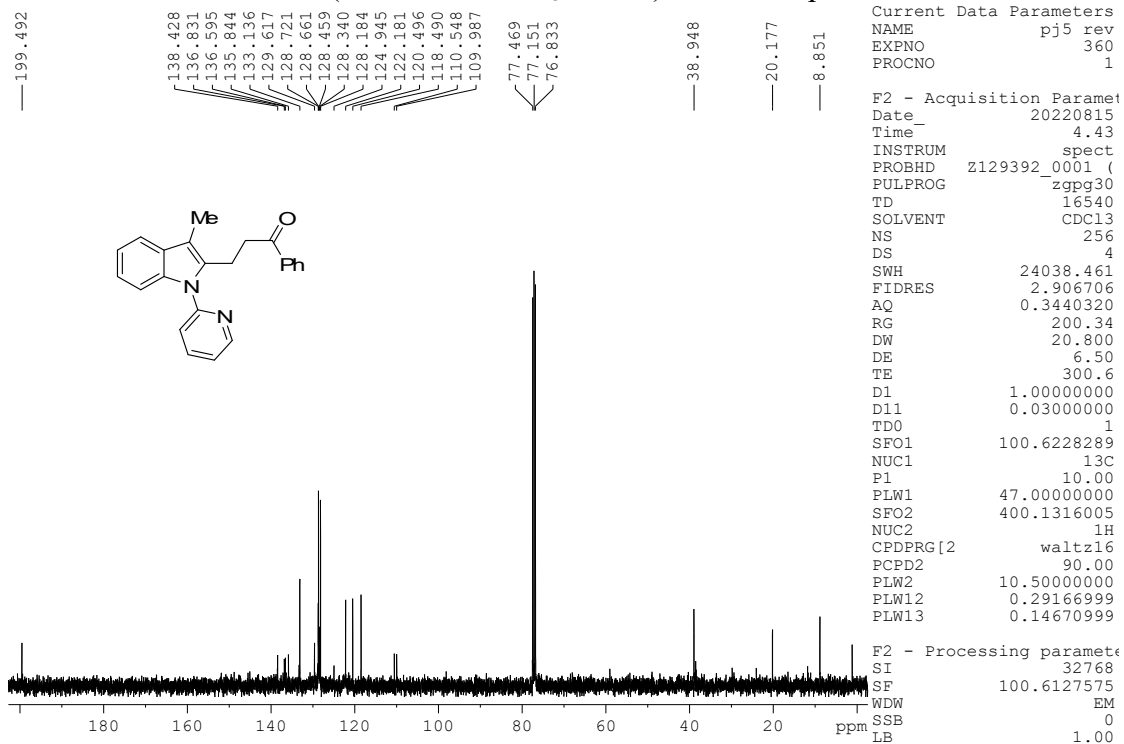


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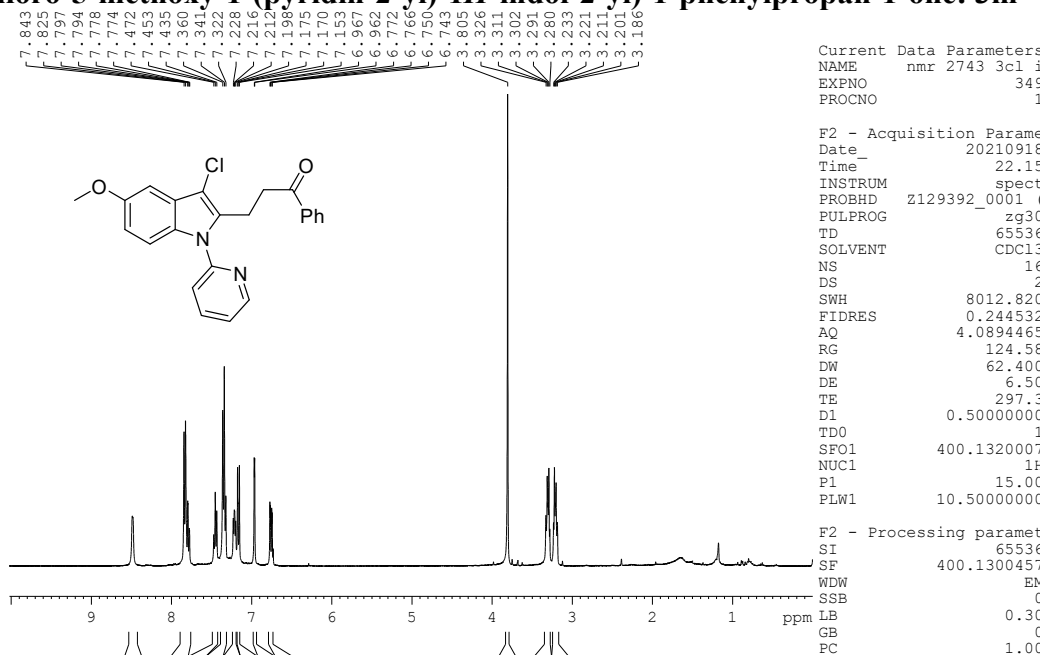


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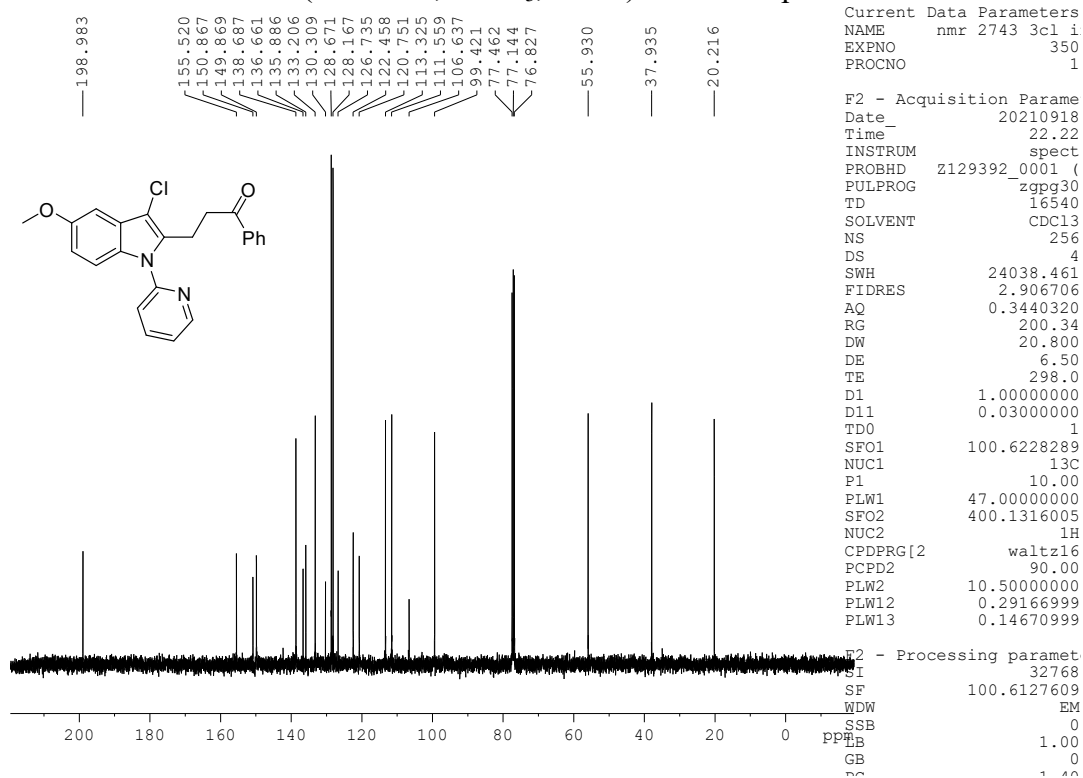


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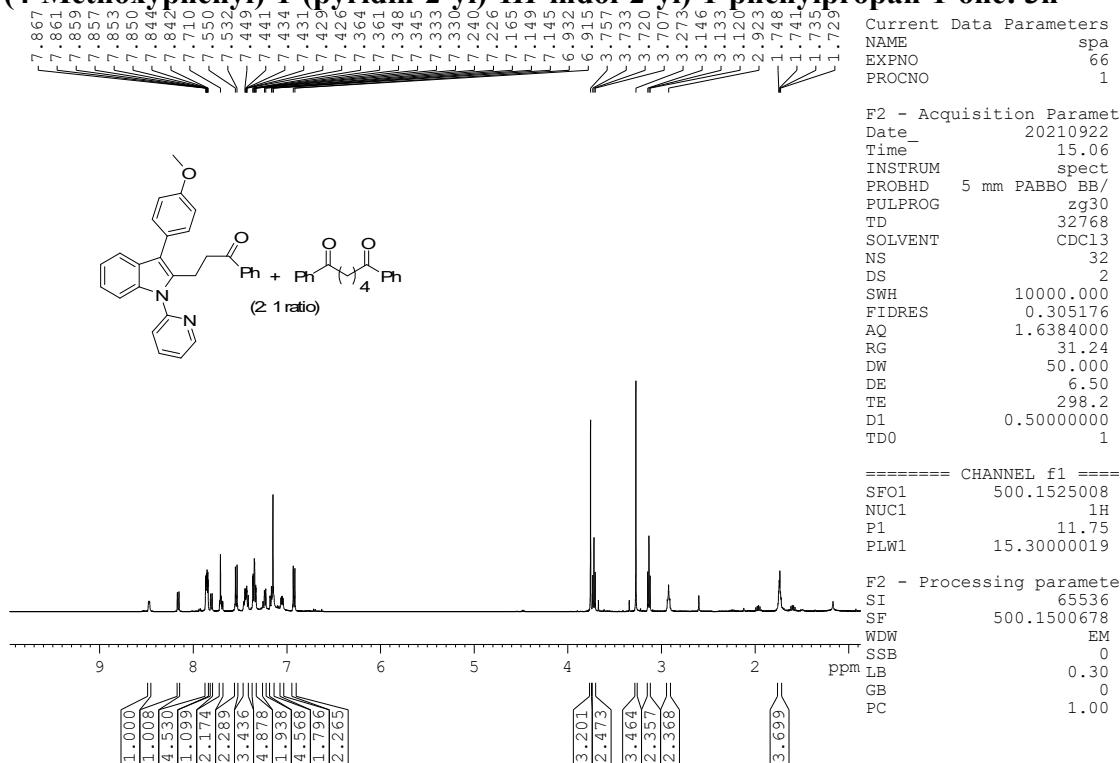


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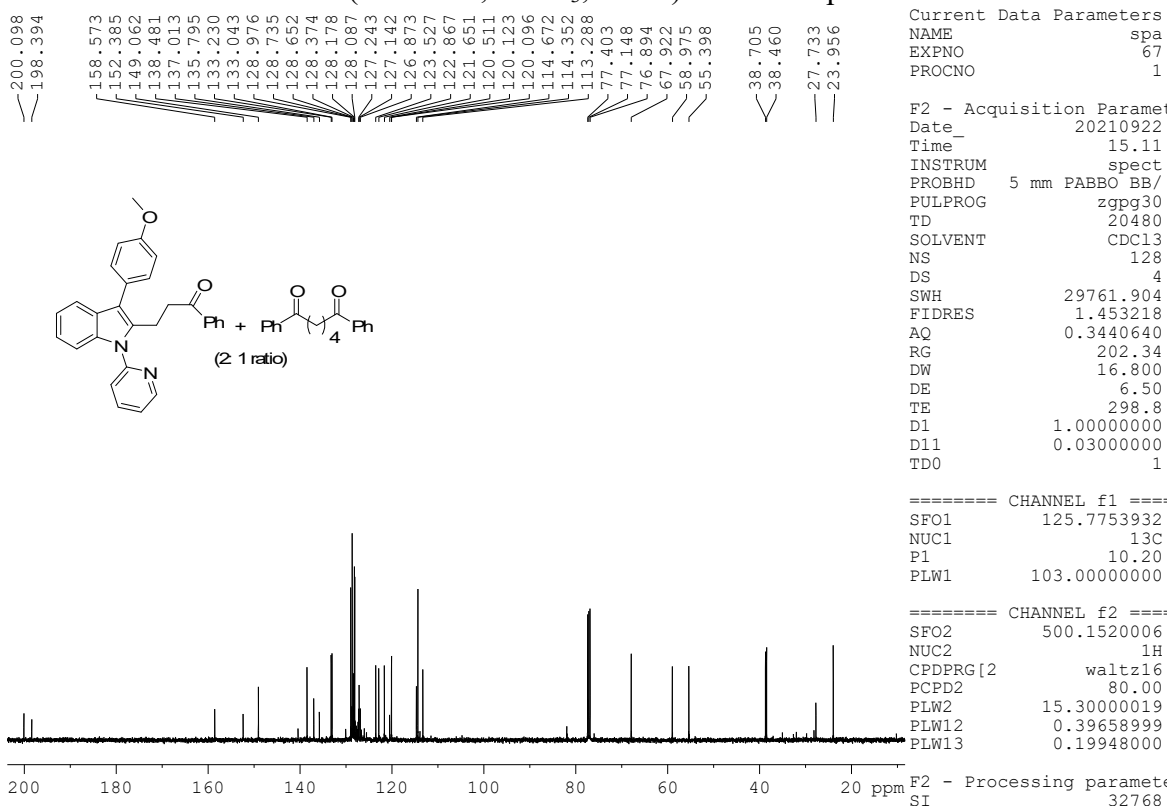


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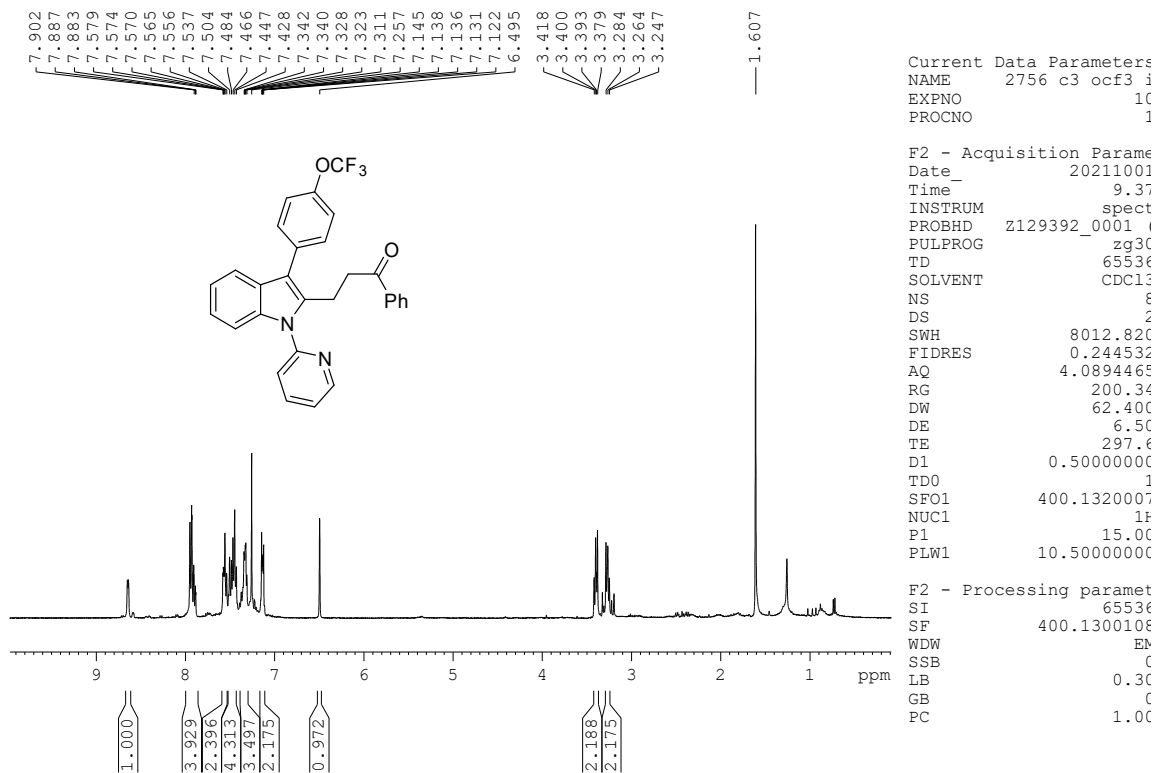


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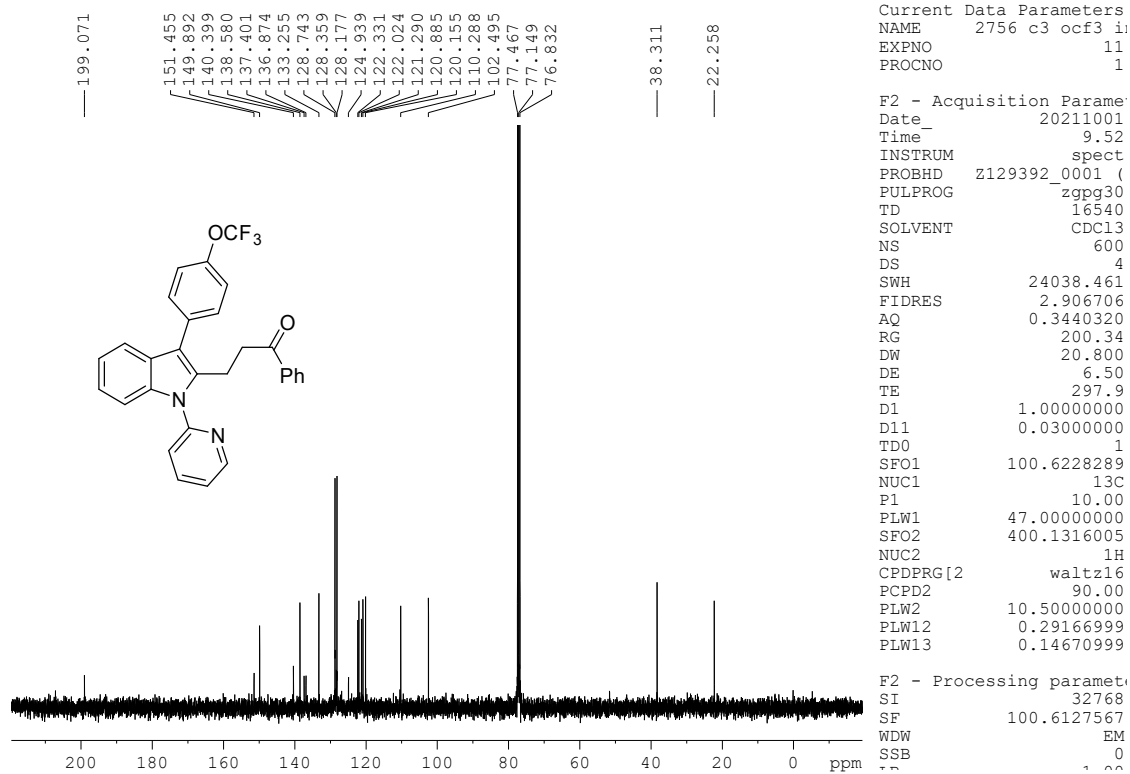


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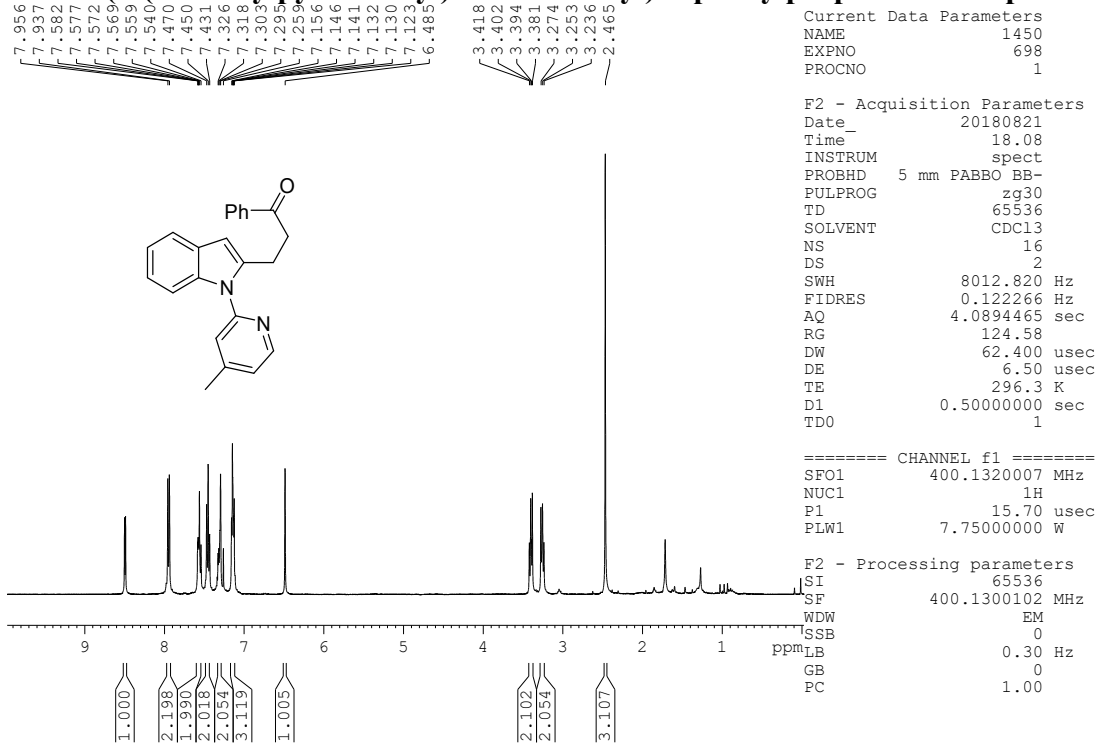


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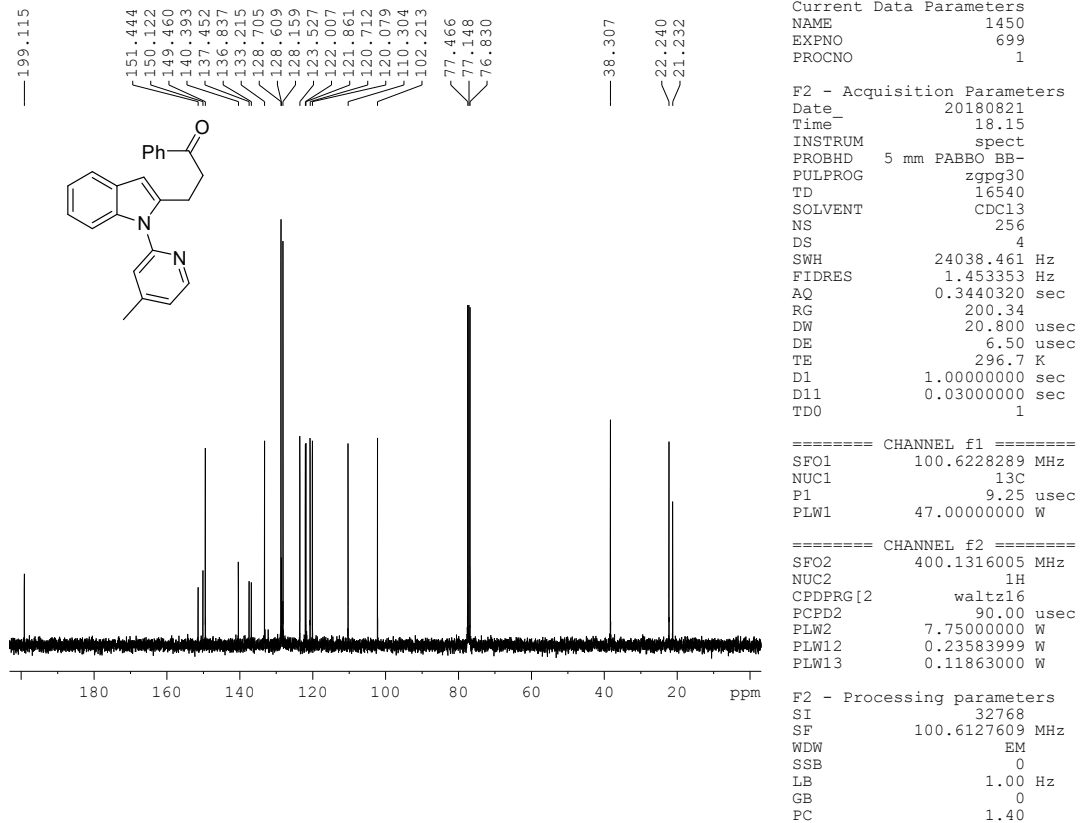


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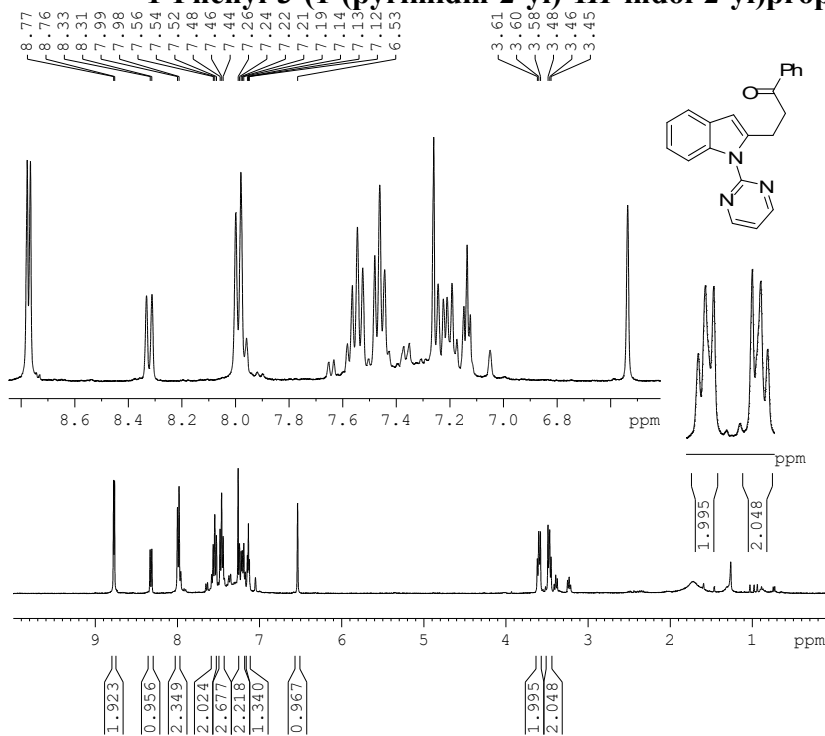


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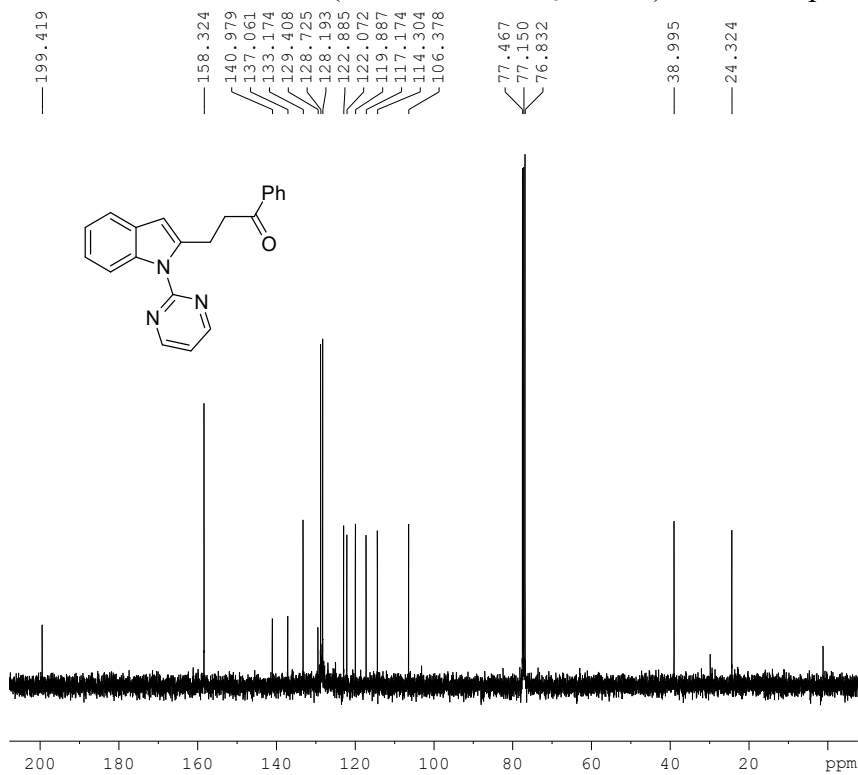


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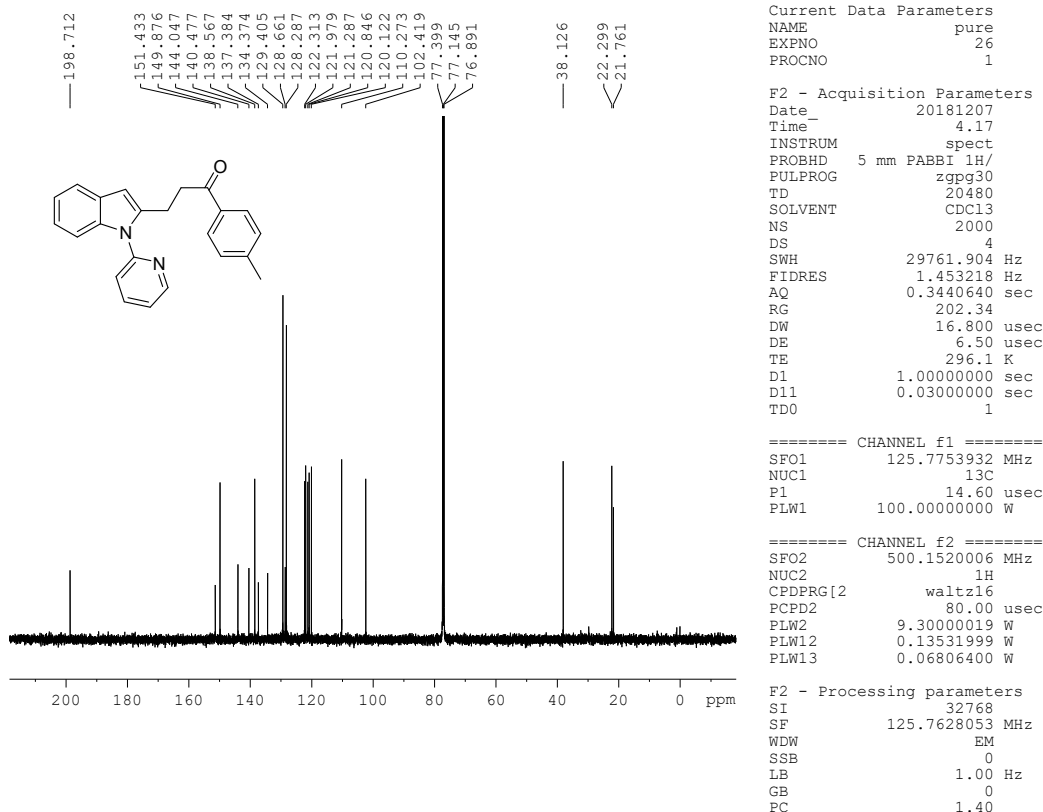
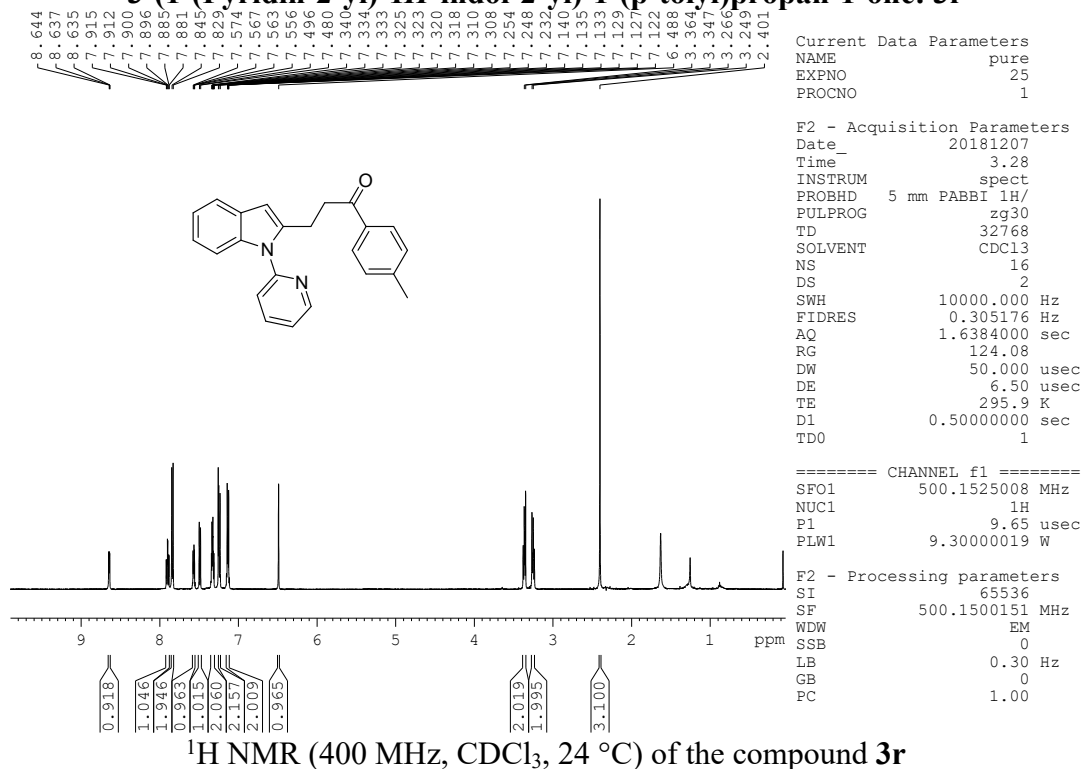
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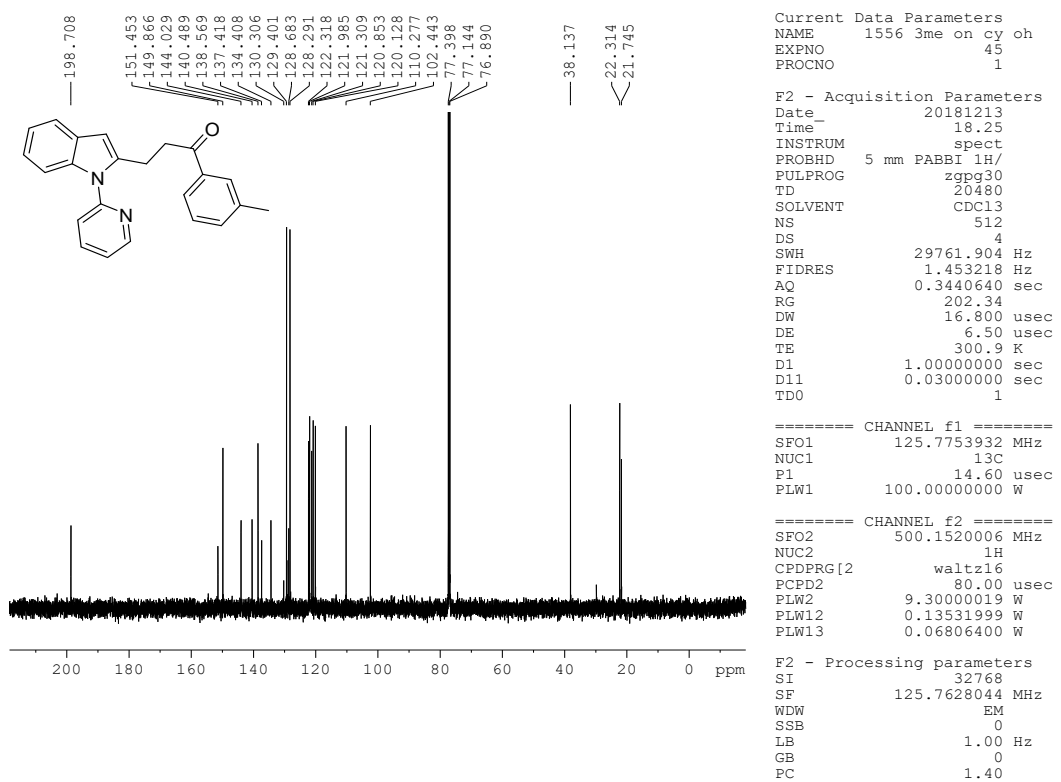
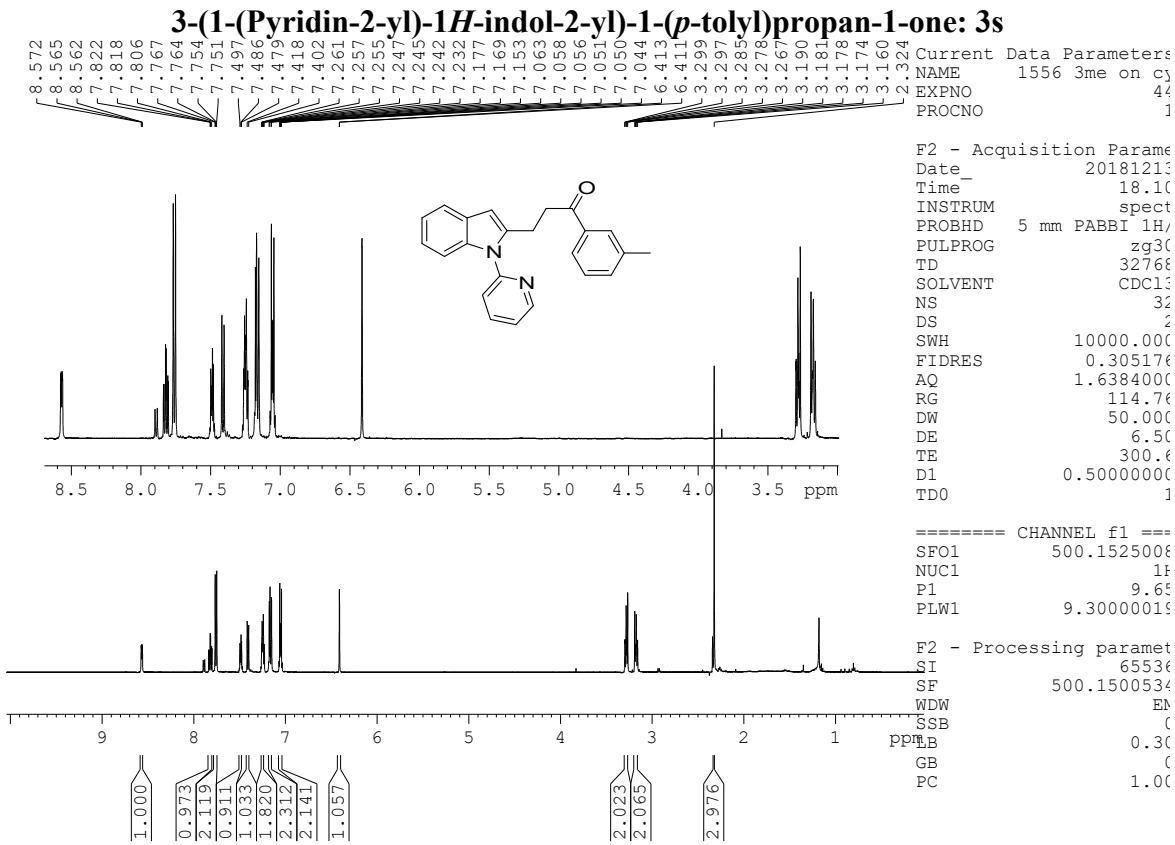
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¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 24 °C) of the compound 3q

3-(1-(Pyridin-2-yl)-1H-indol-2-yl)-1-(p-tolyl)propan-1-one: 3r





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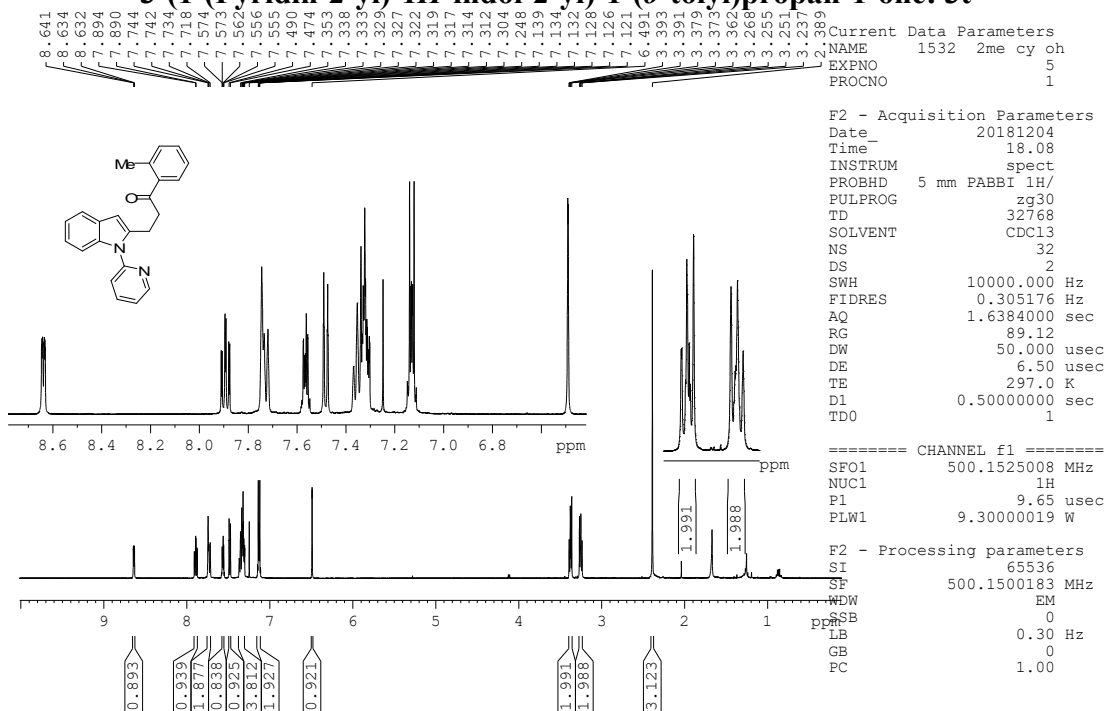
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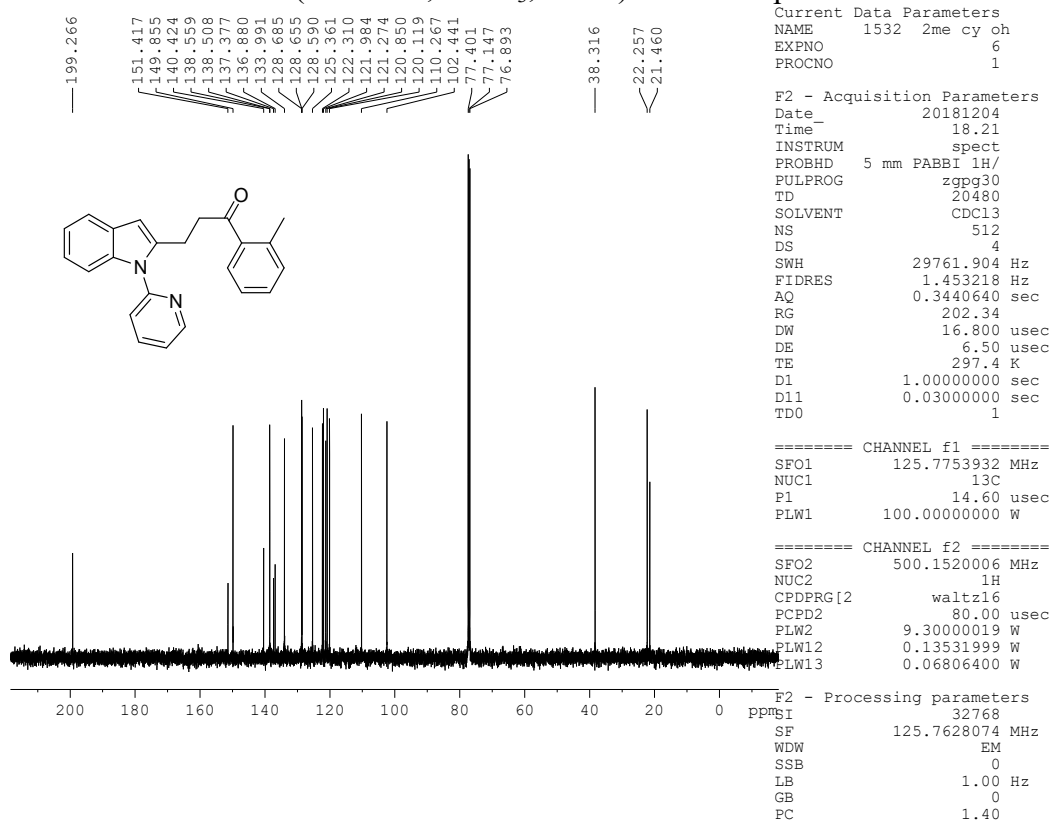
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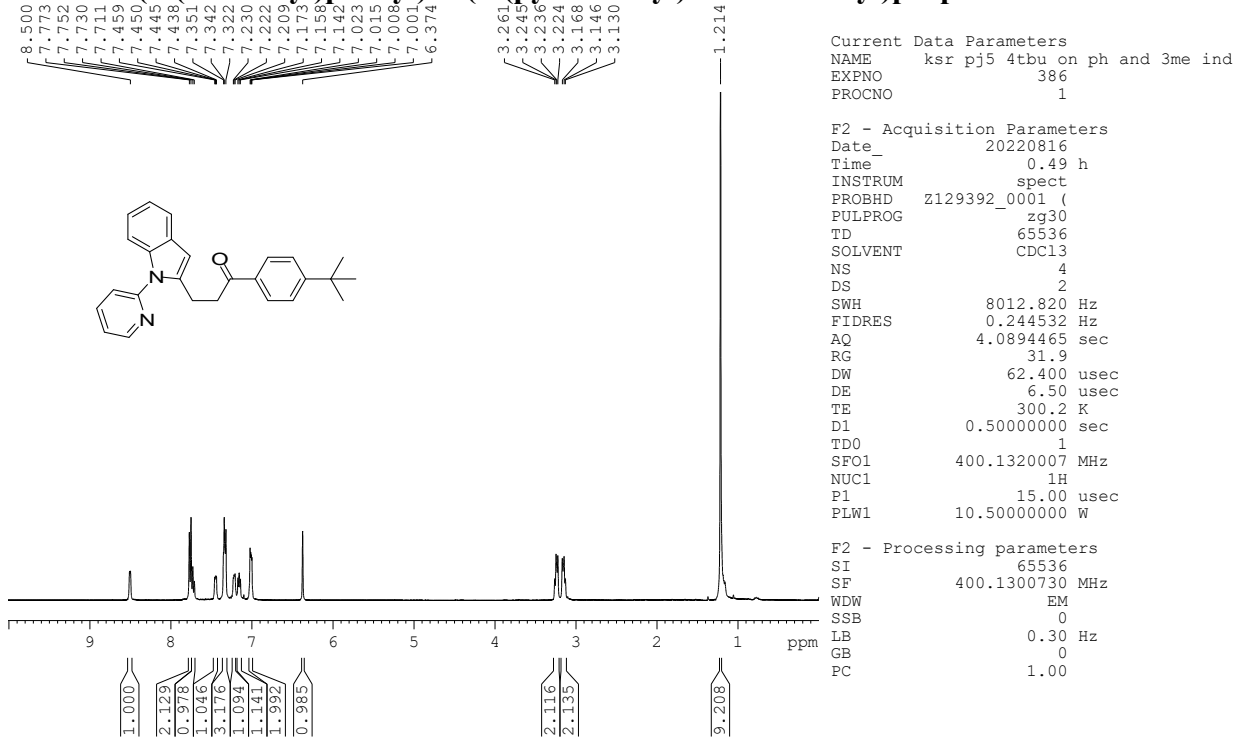


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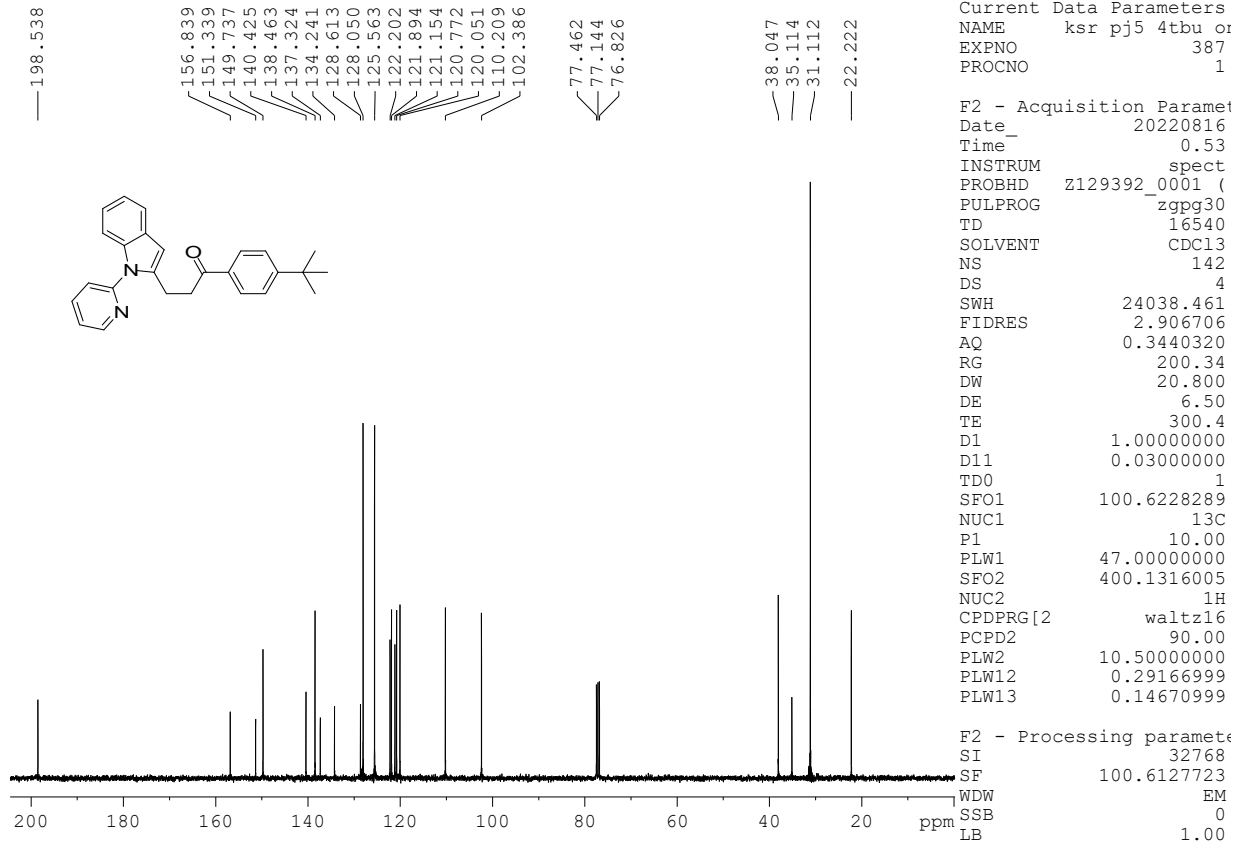


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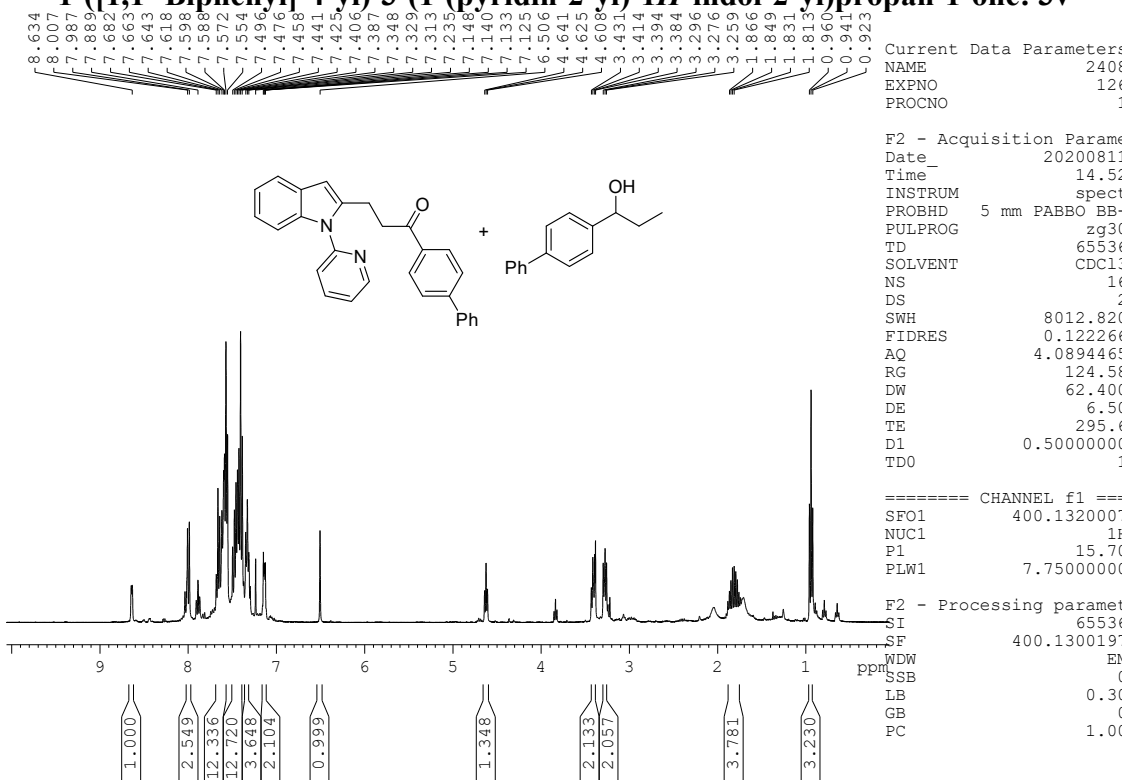


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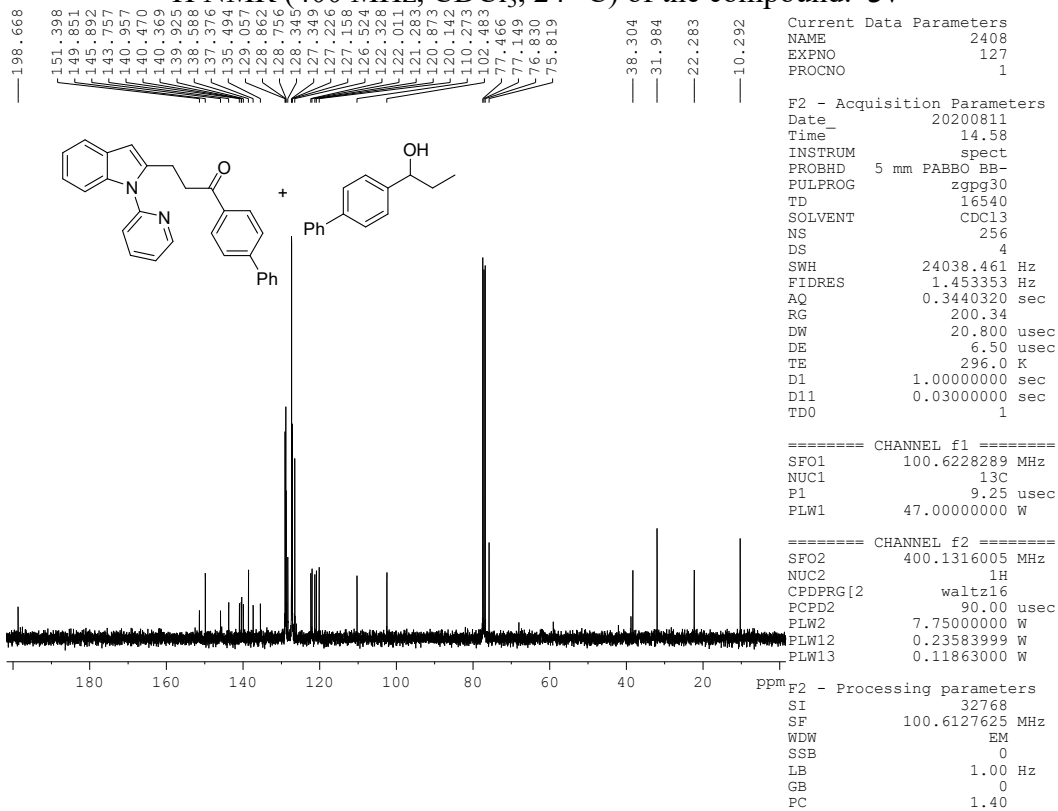


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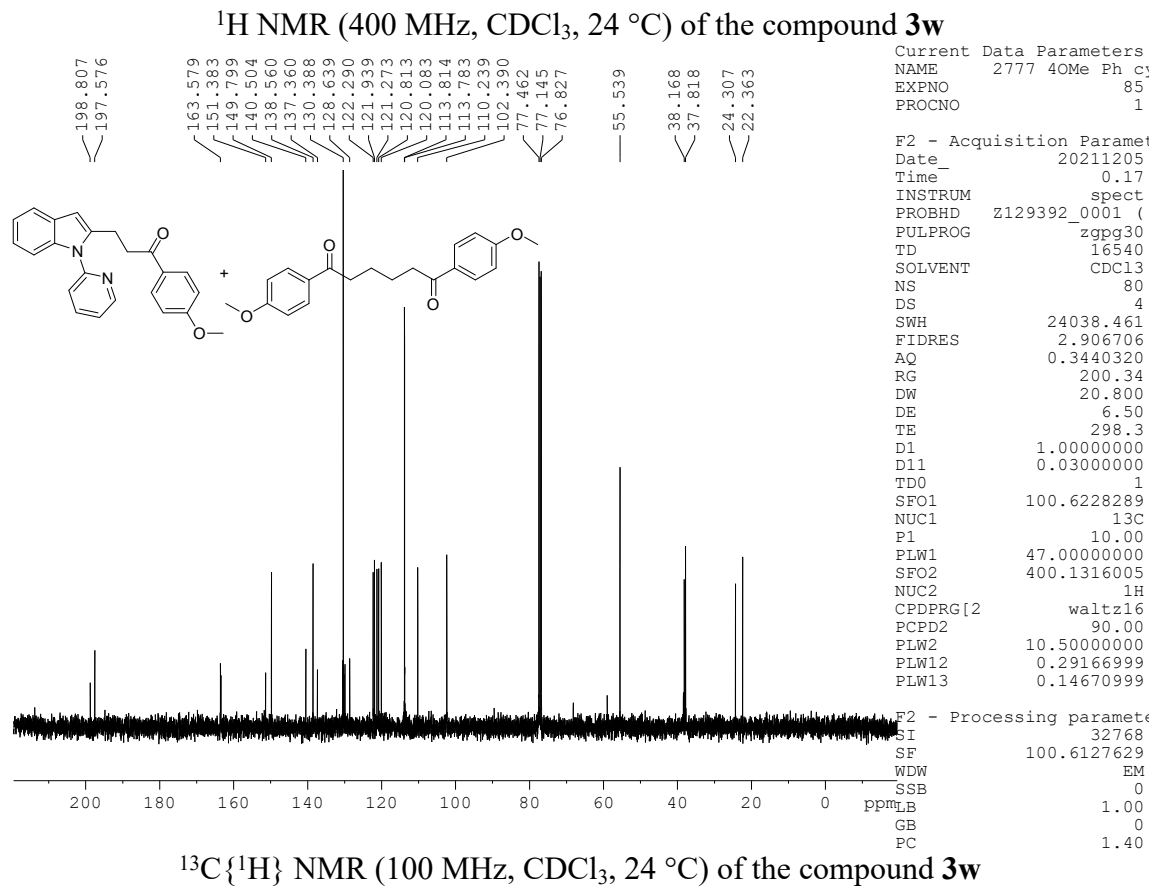
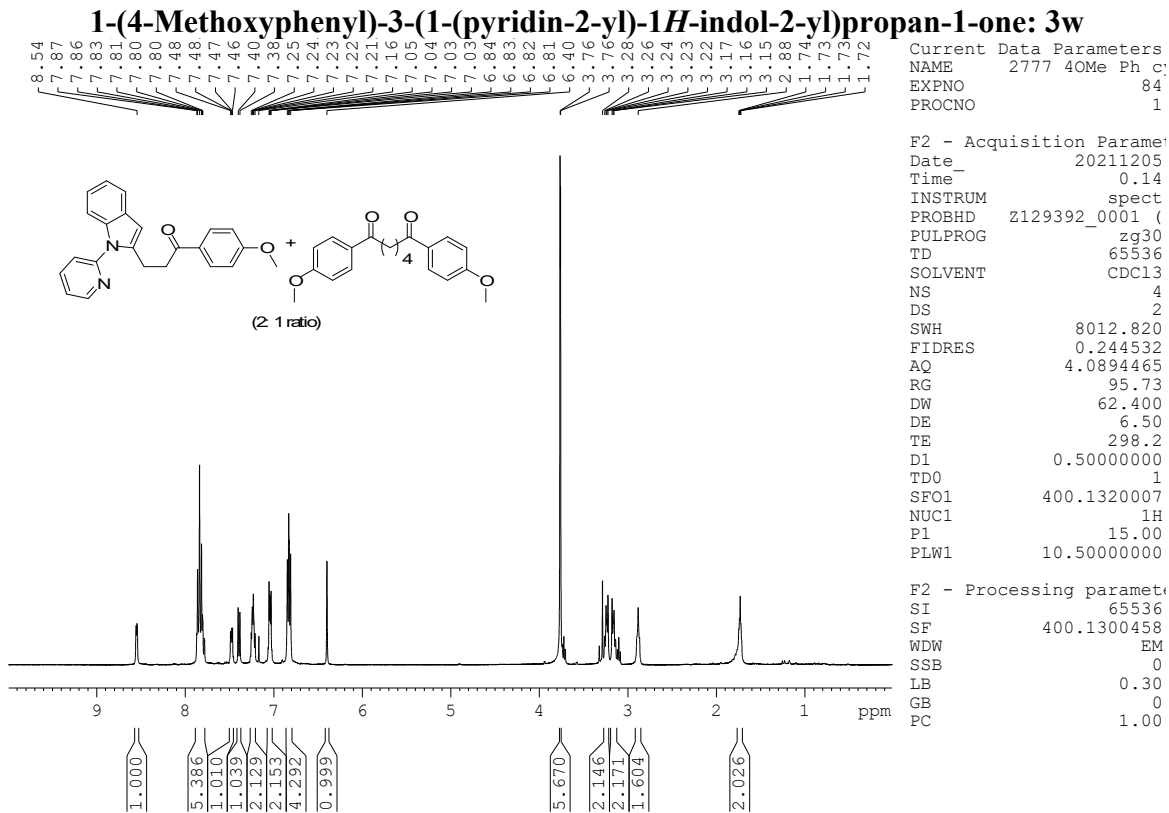
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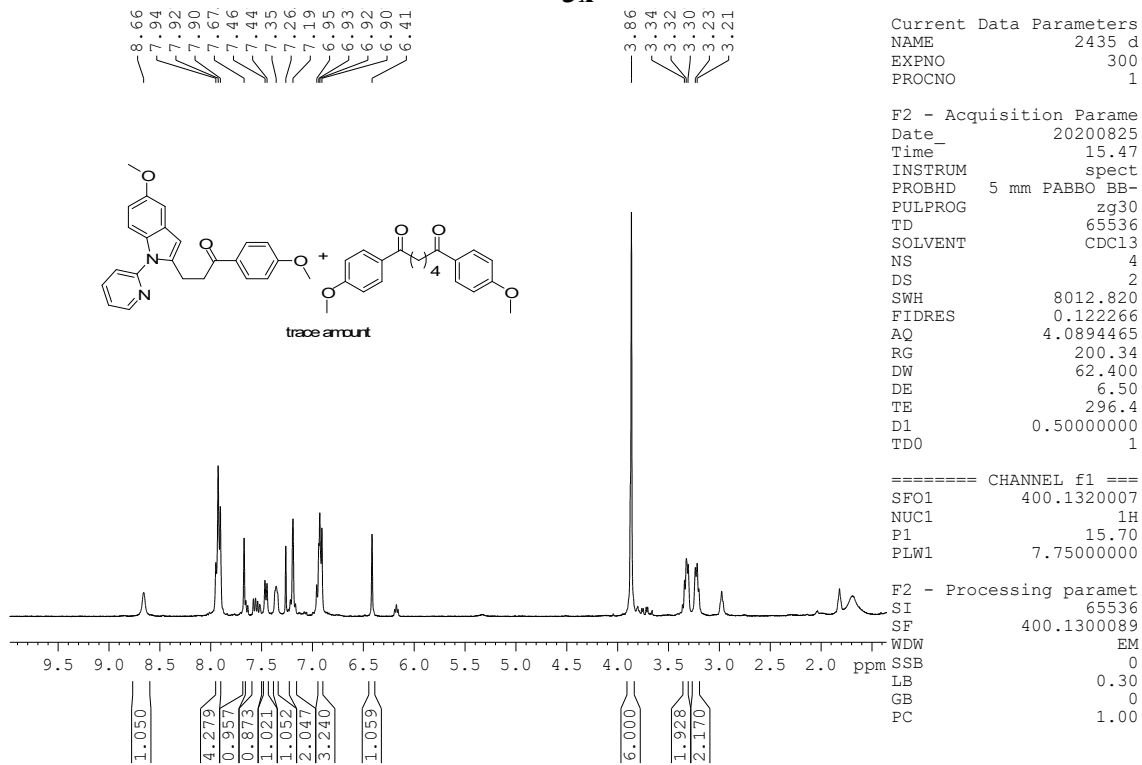


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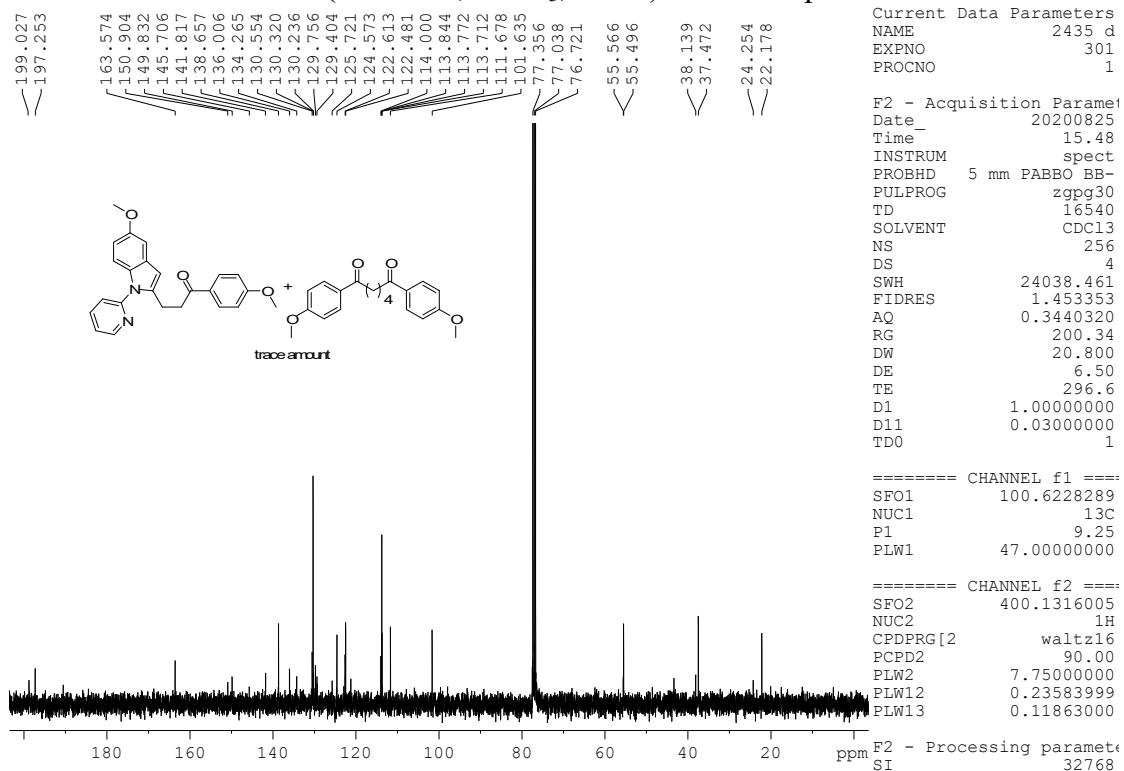


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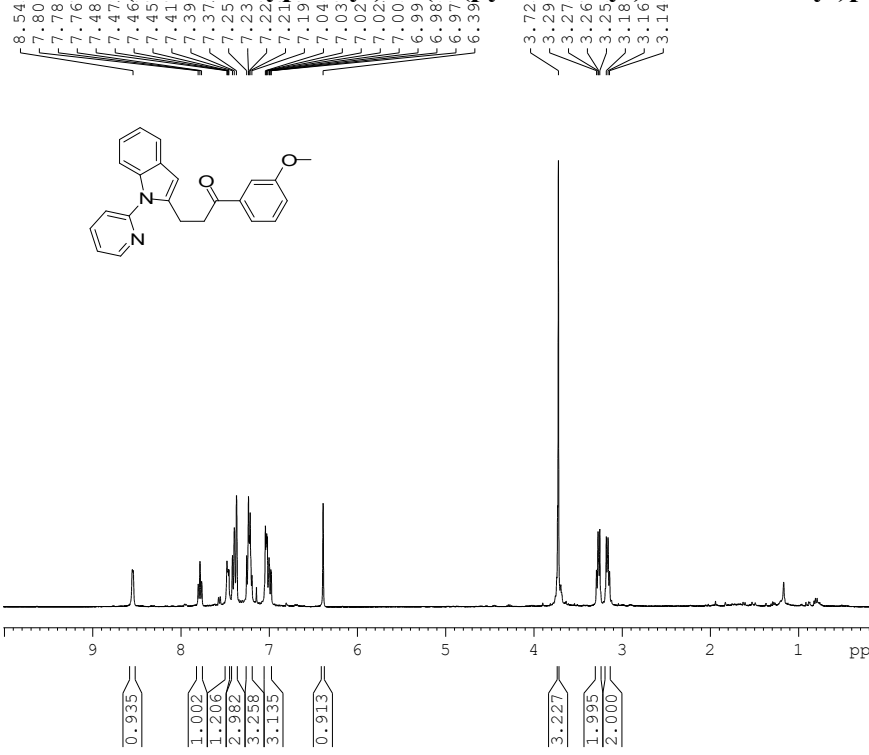


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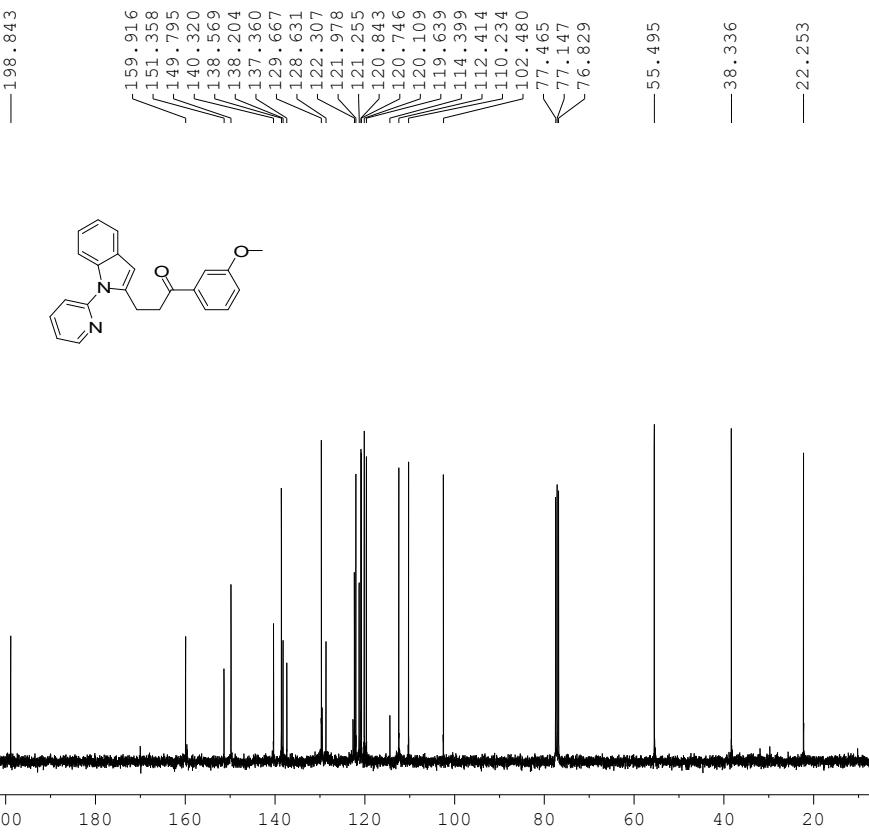


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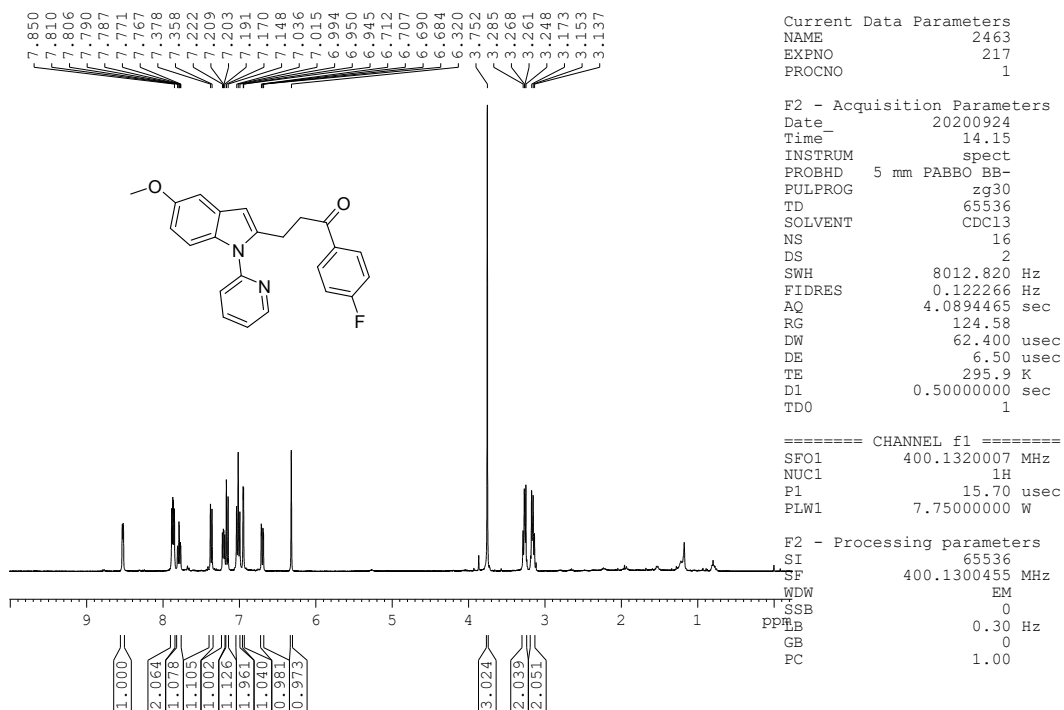
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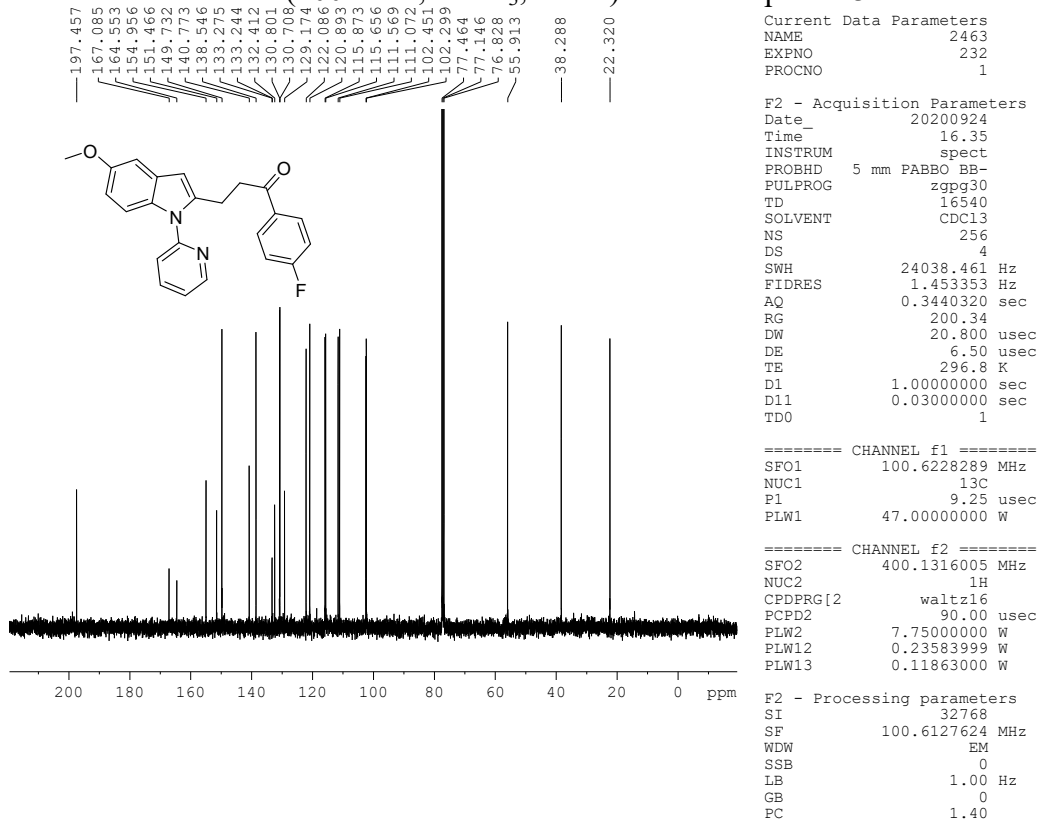
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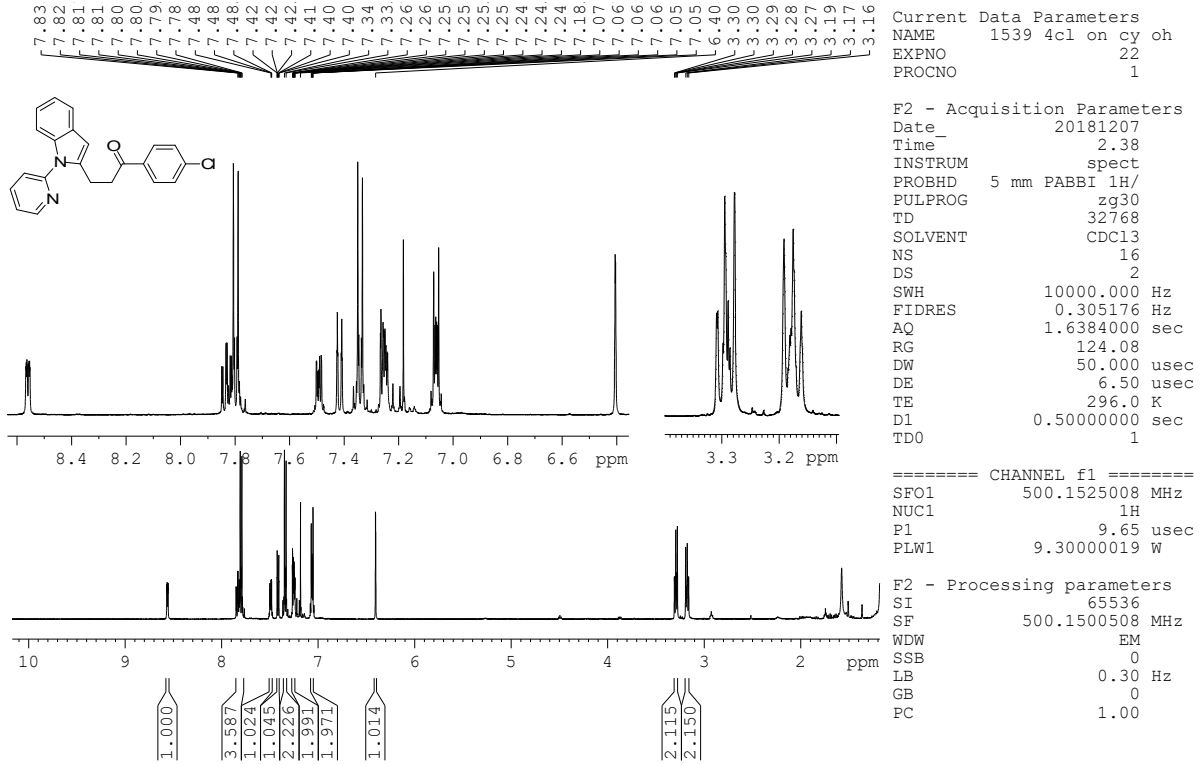


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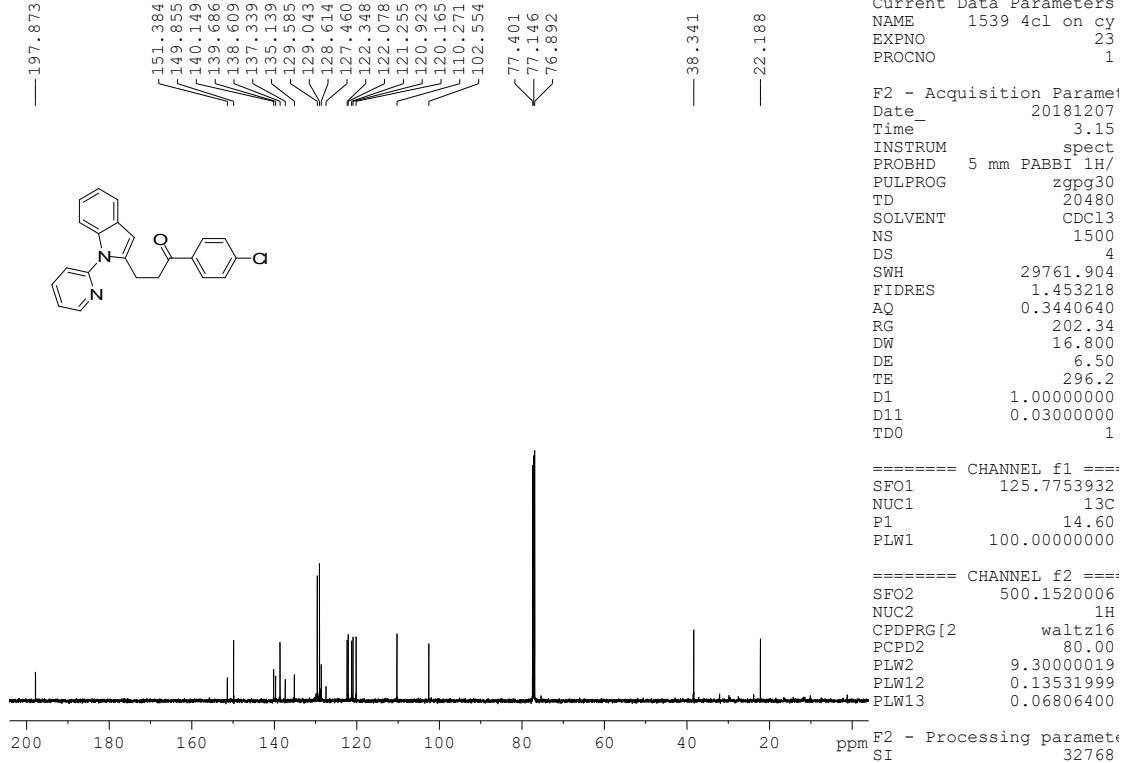


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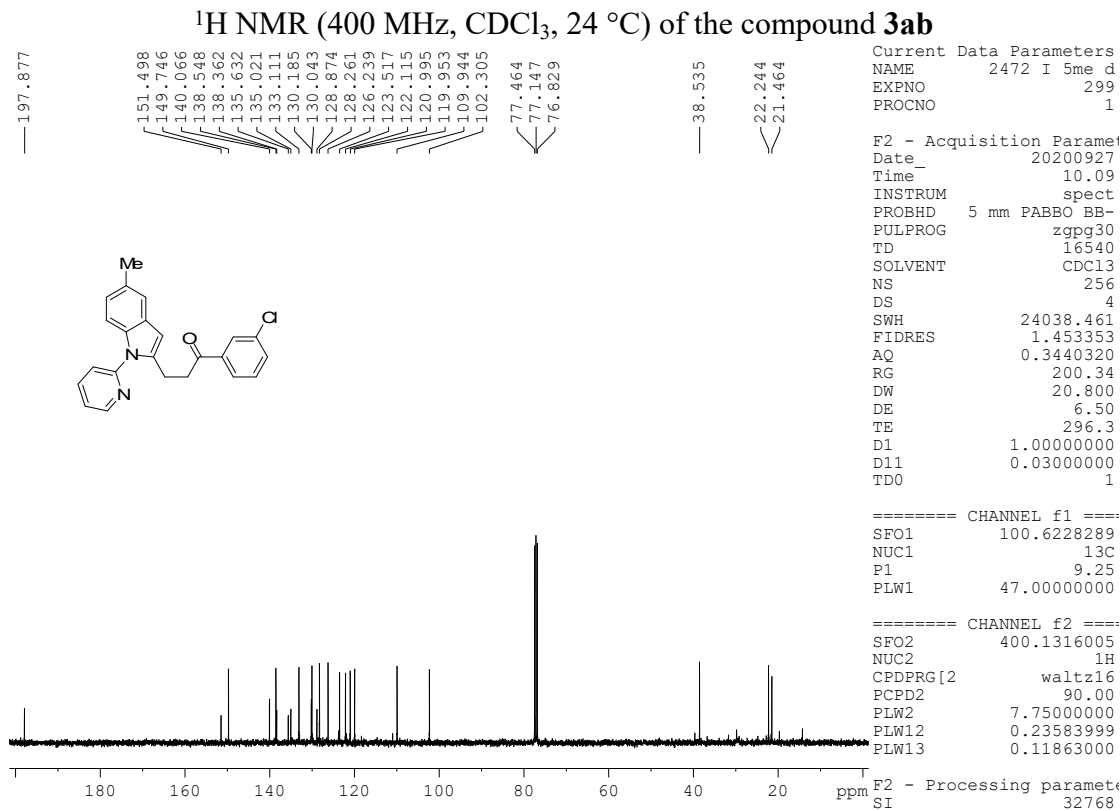
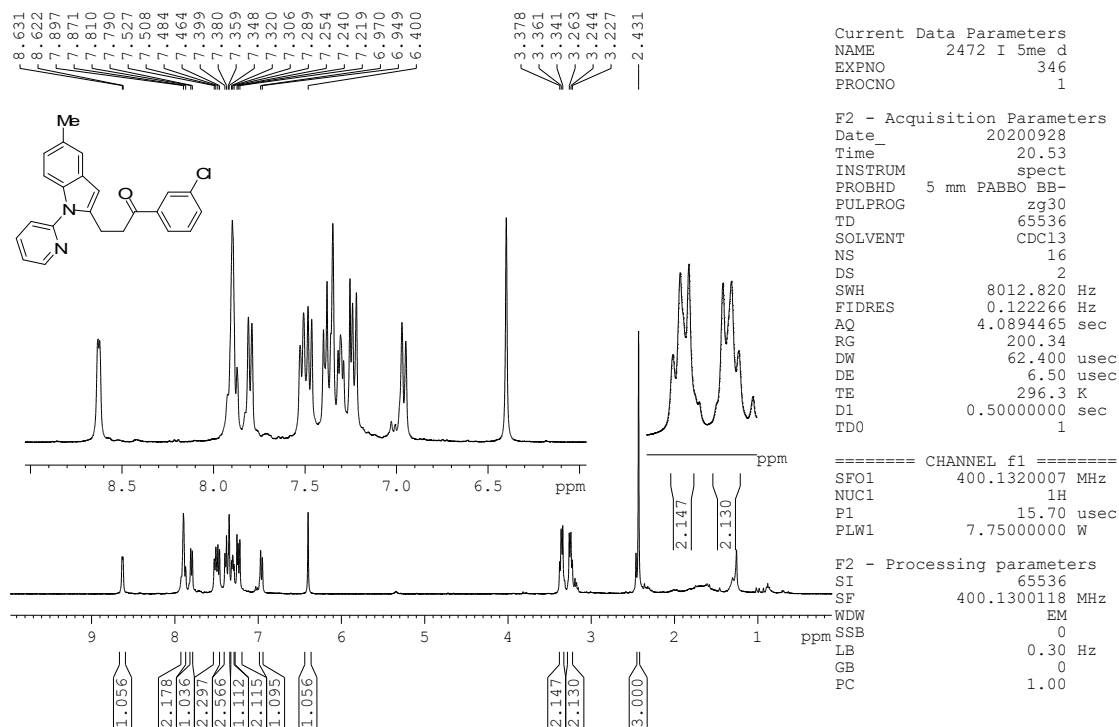


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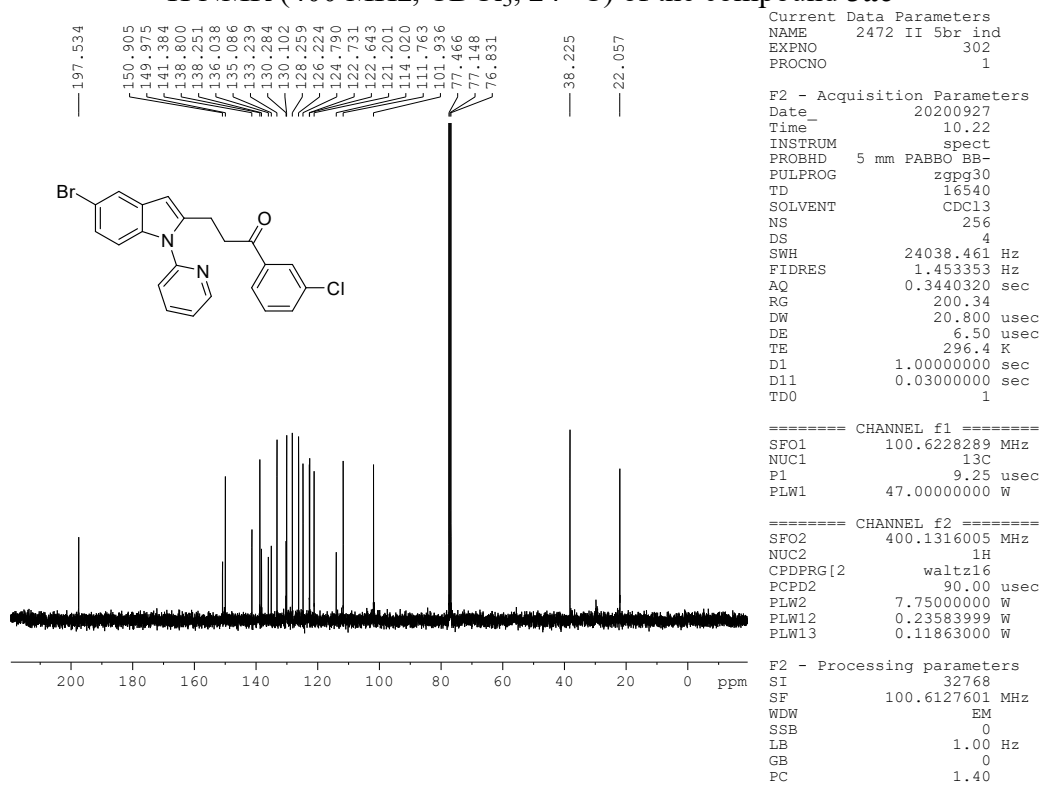
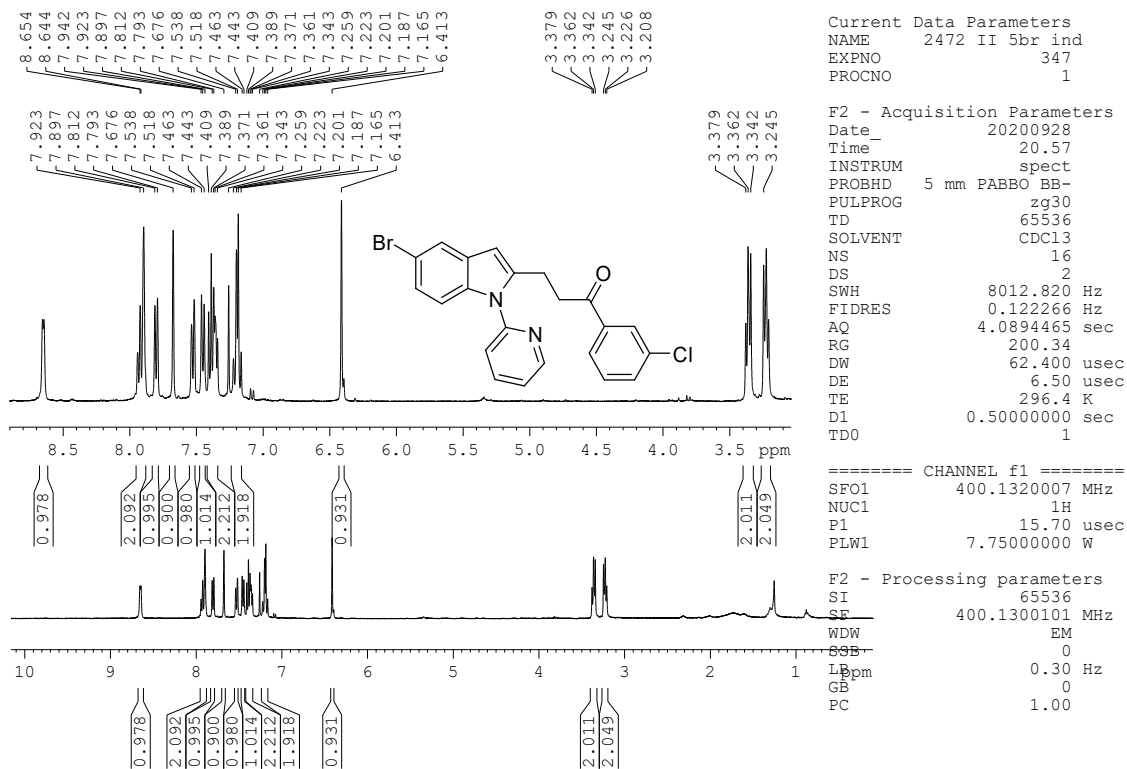
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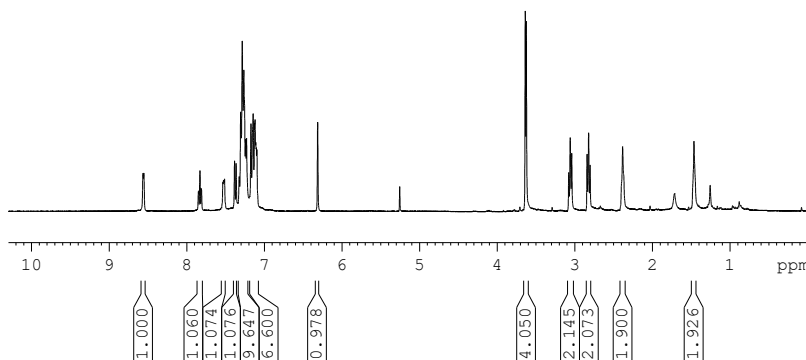
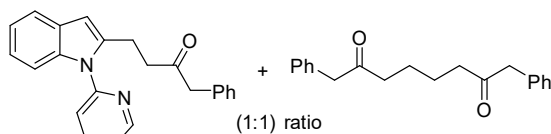


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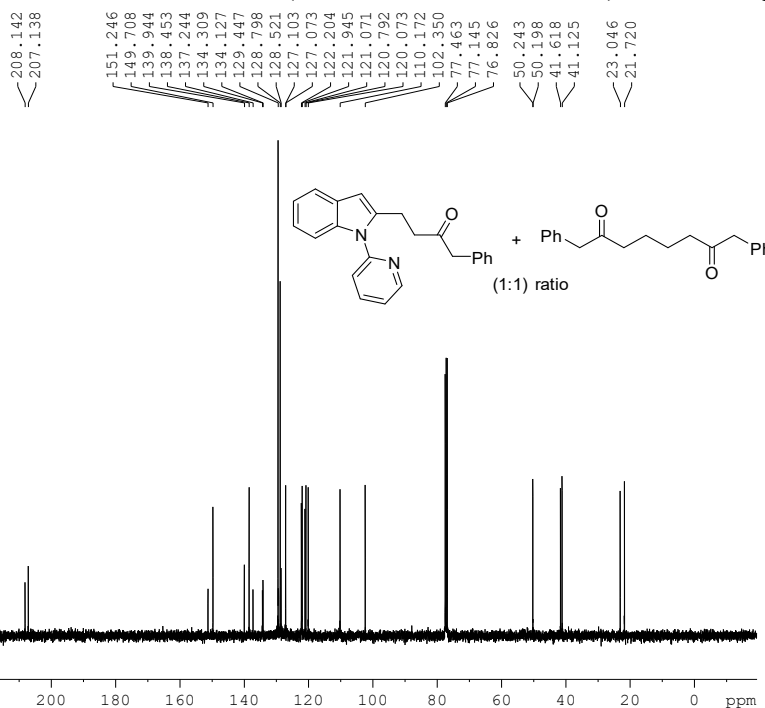
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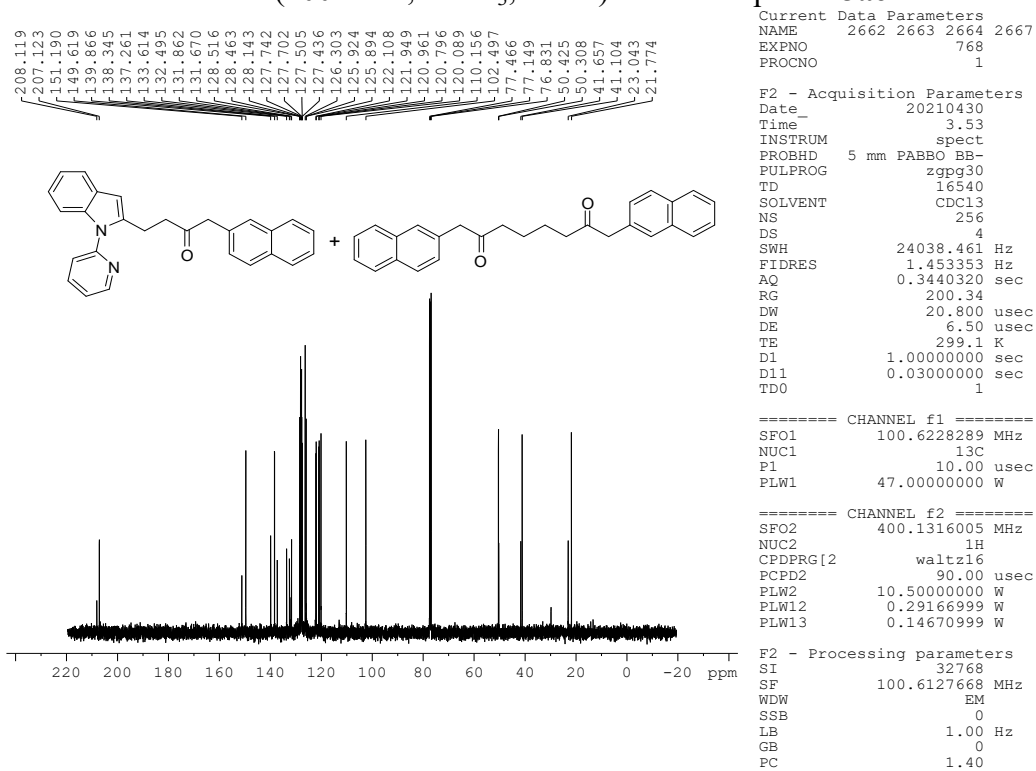
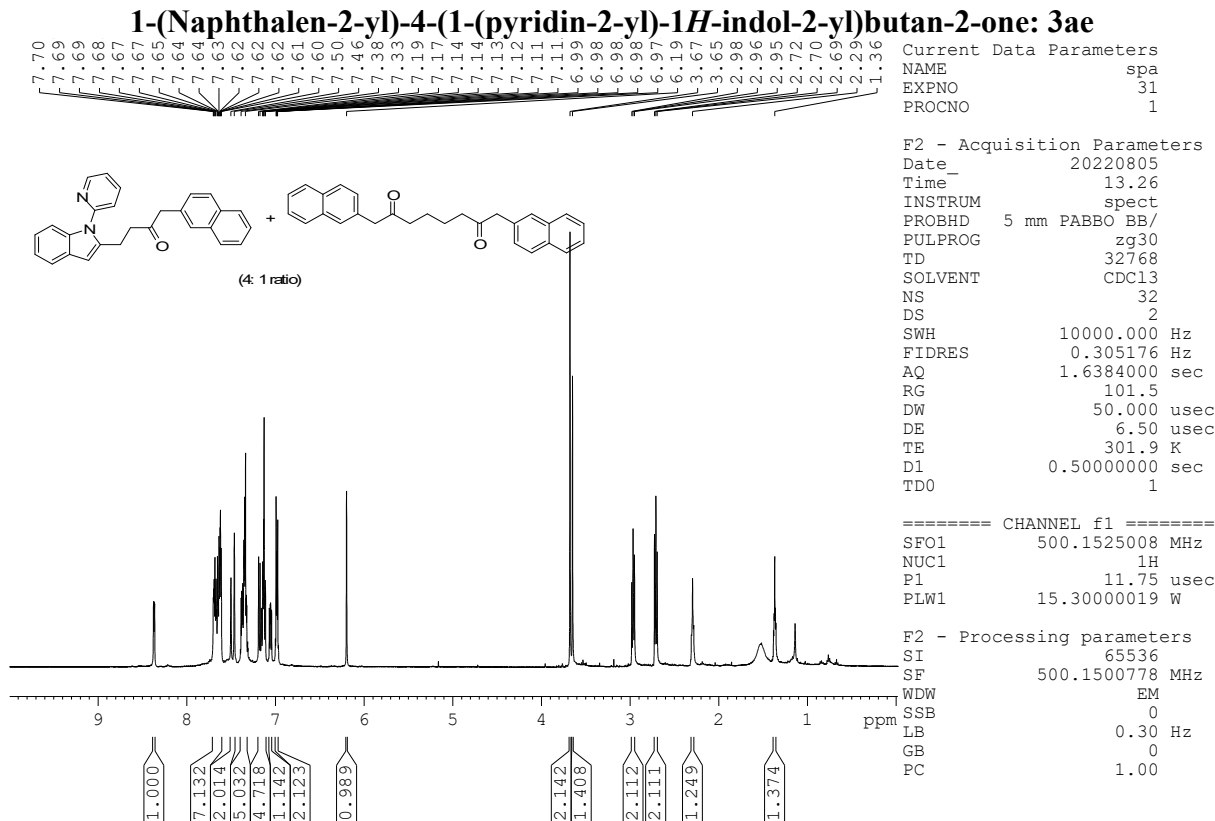
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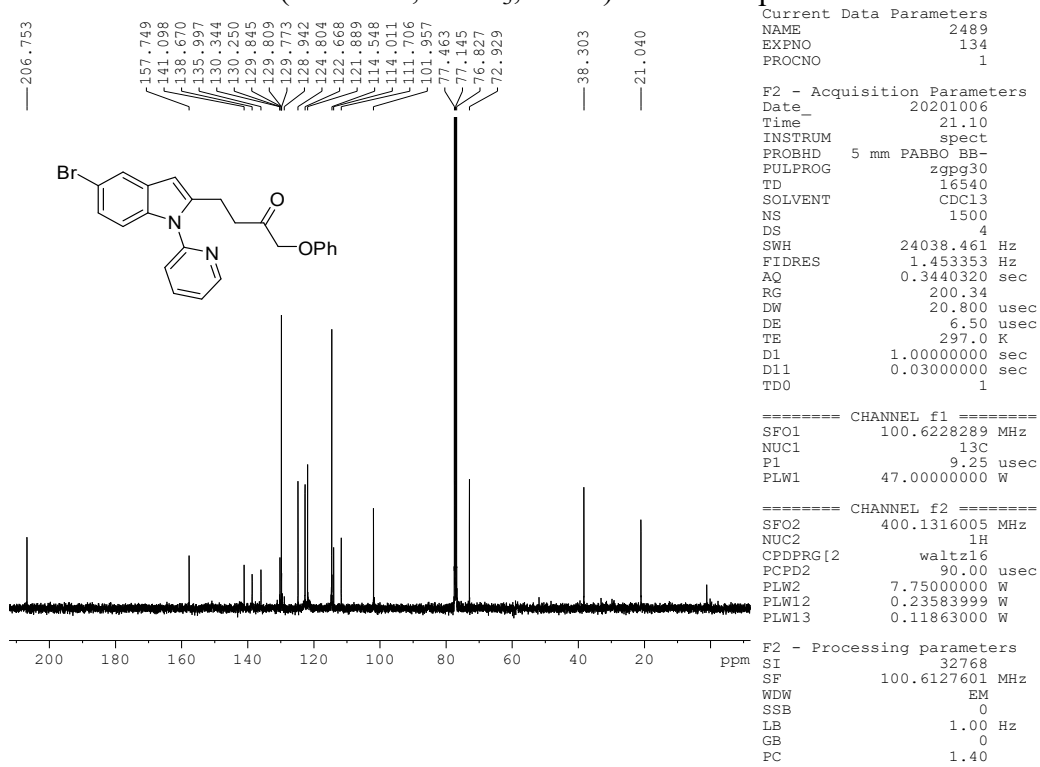
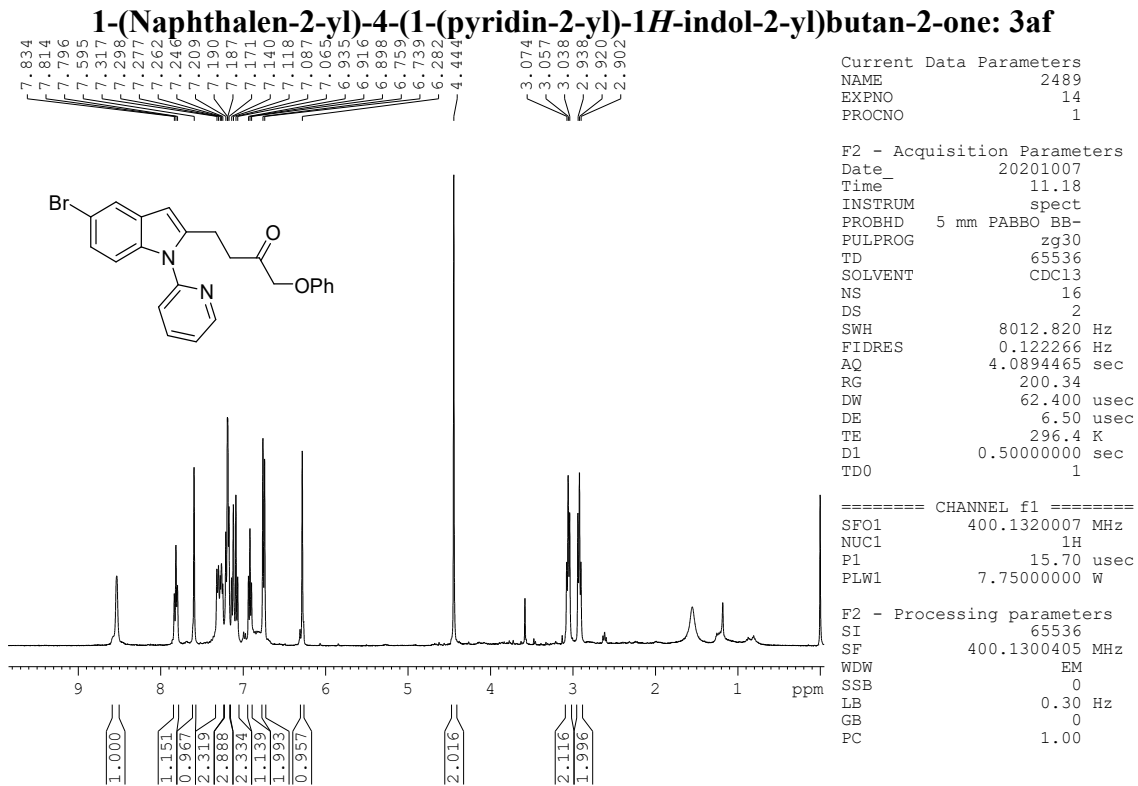
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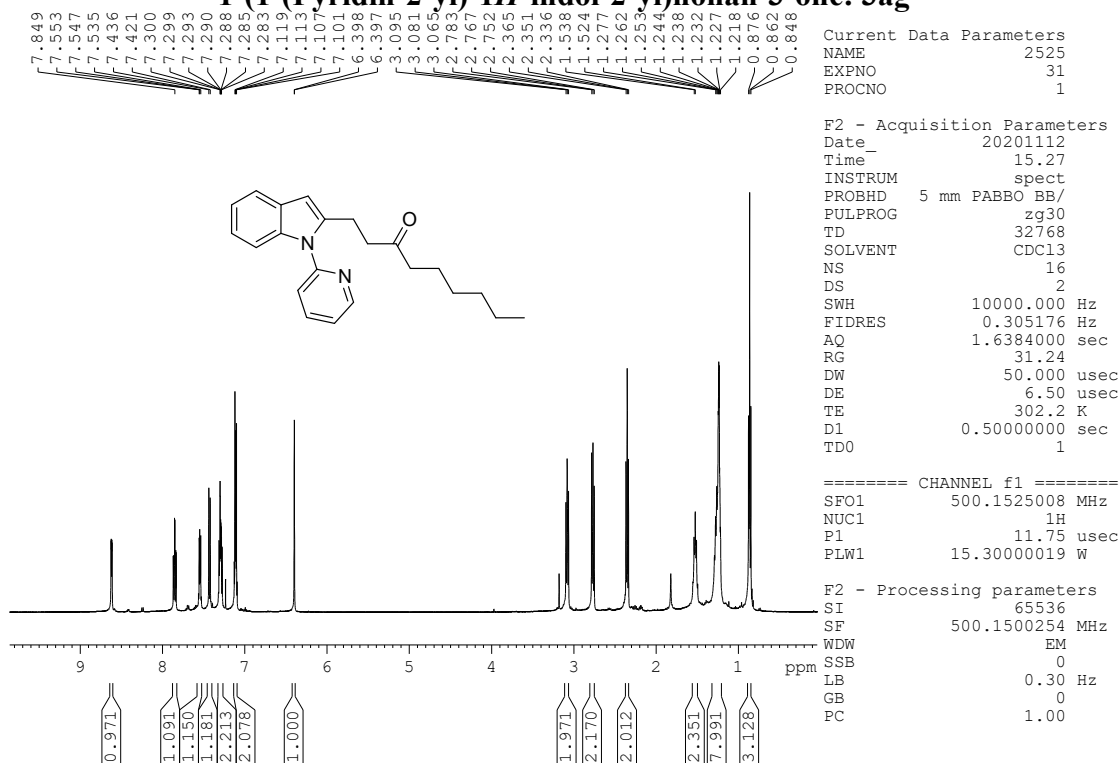
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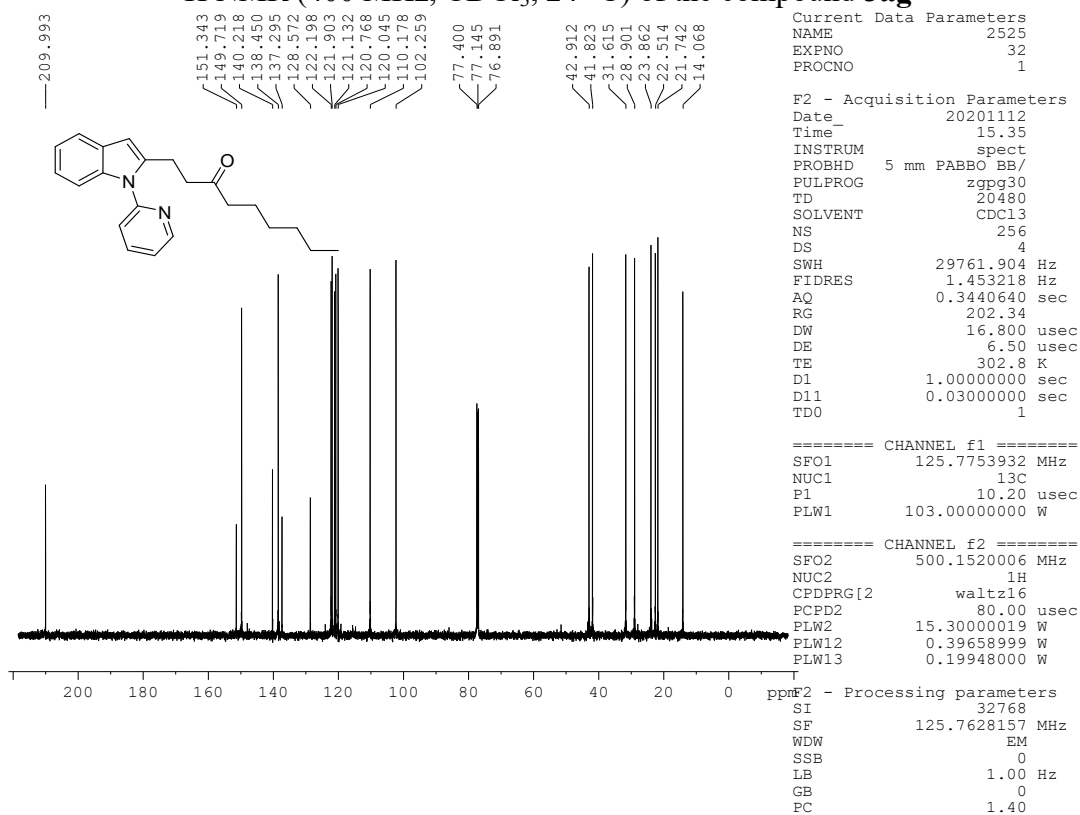




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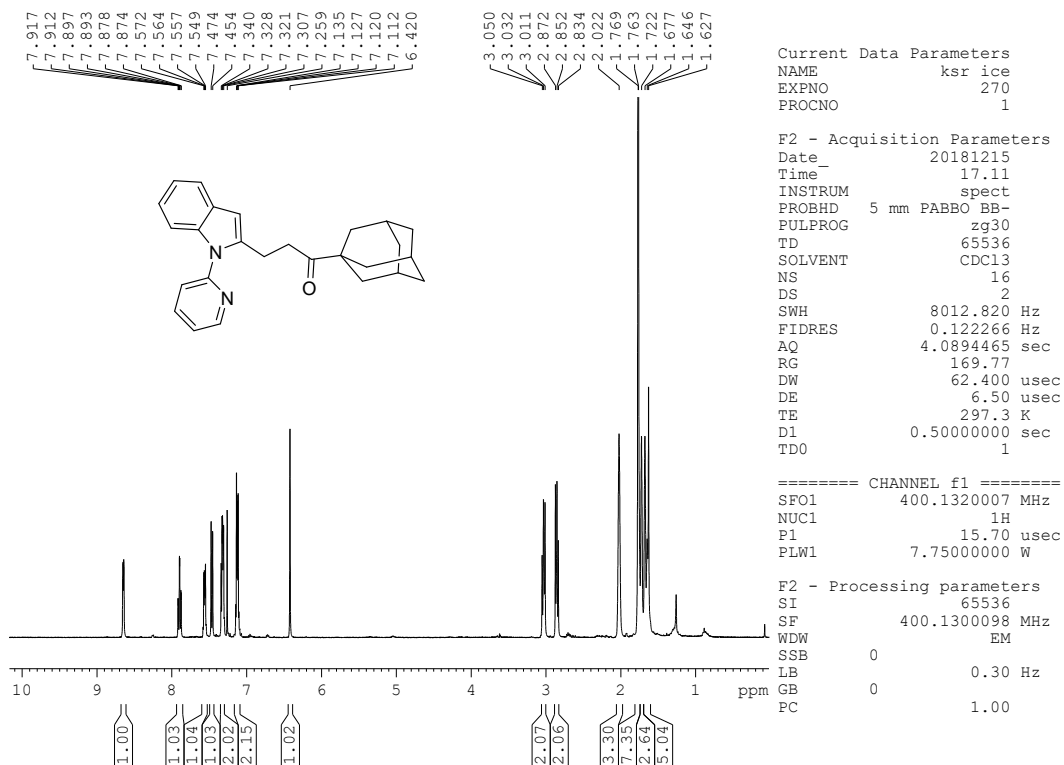


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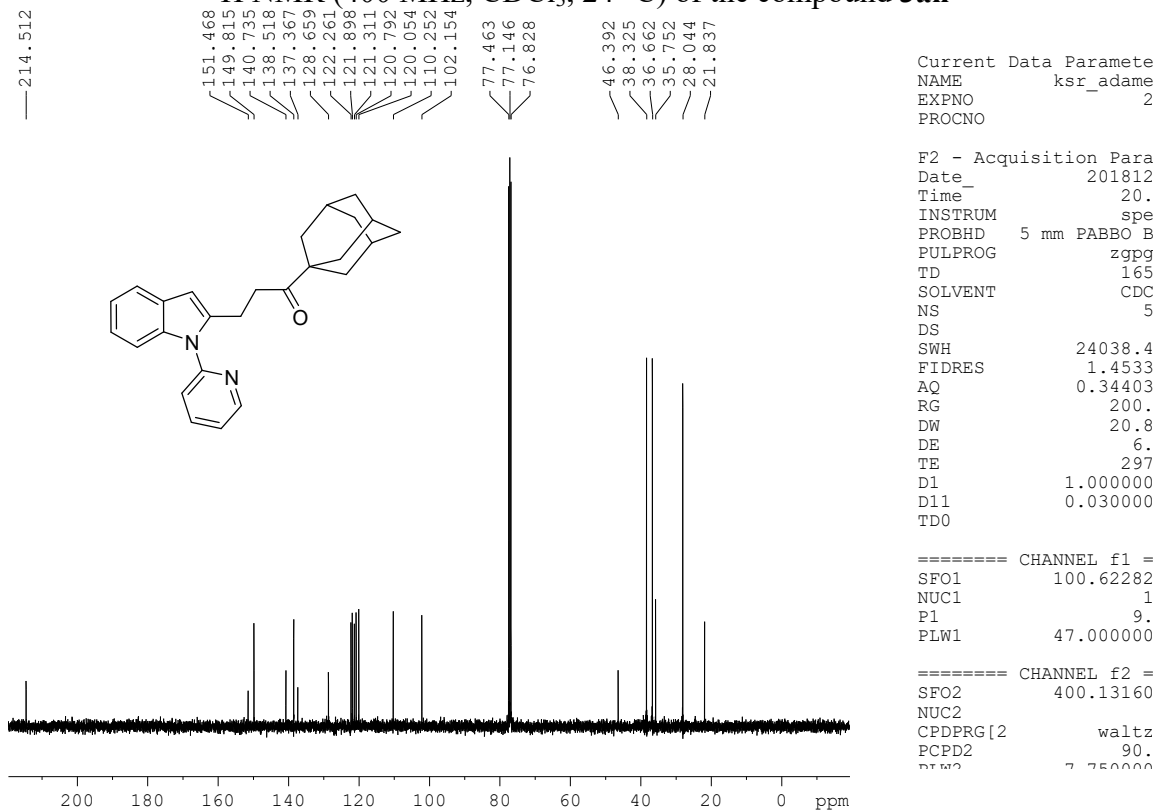


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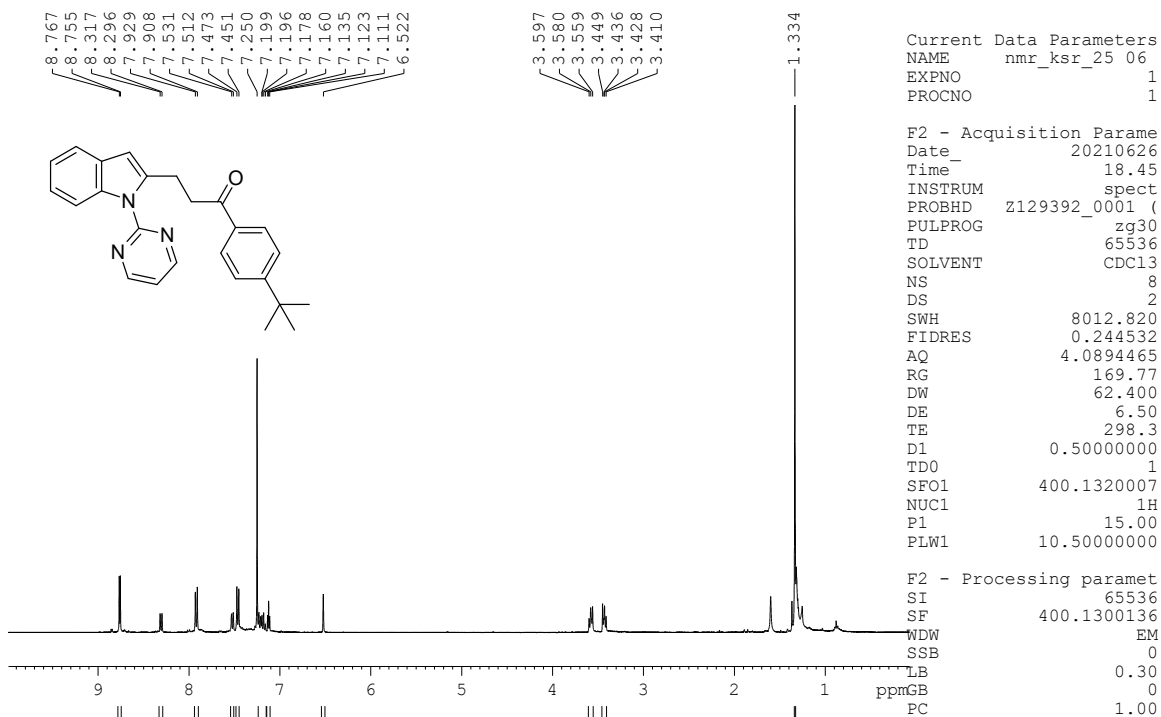


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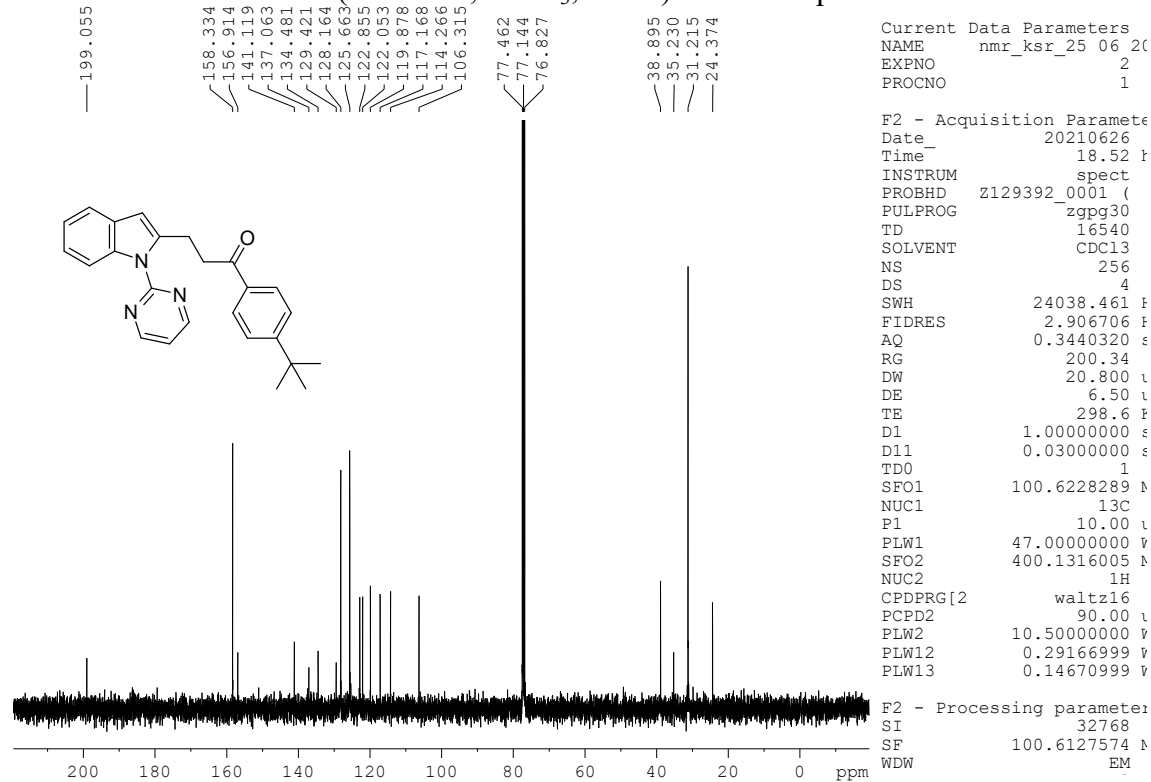


¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 24 °C) of the compound **3ah**

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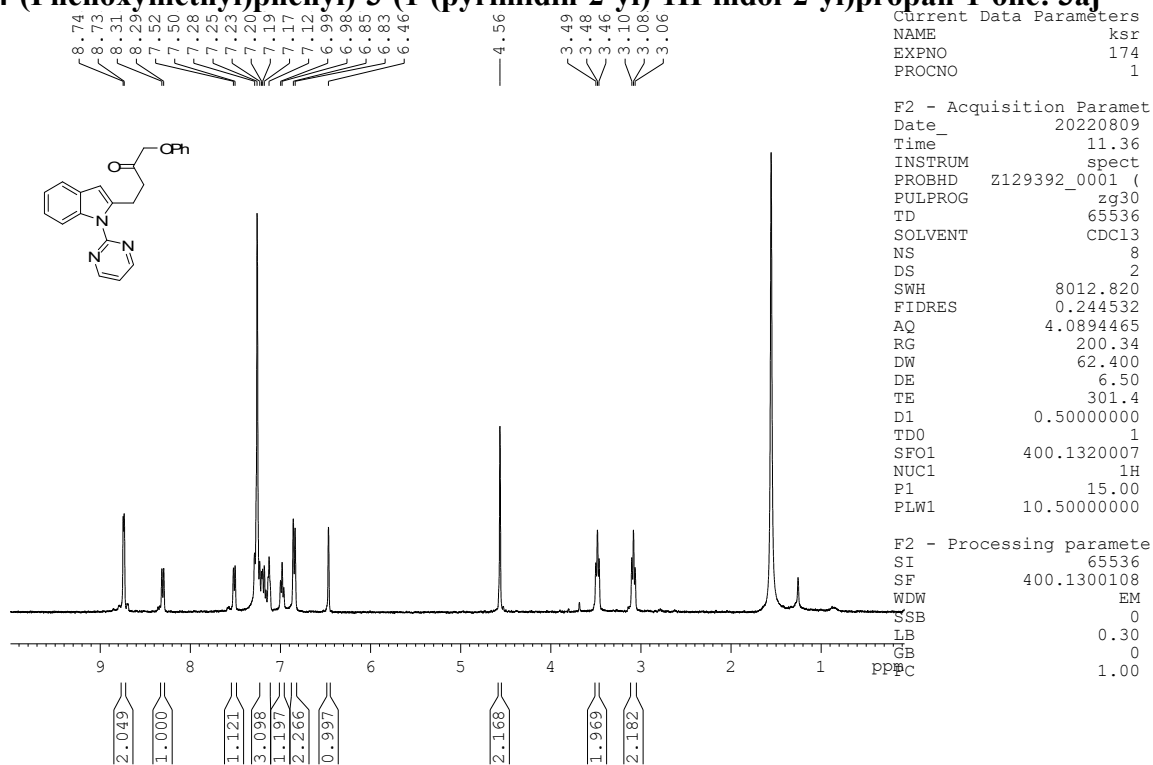


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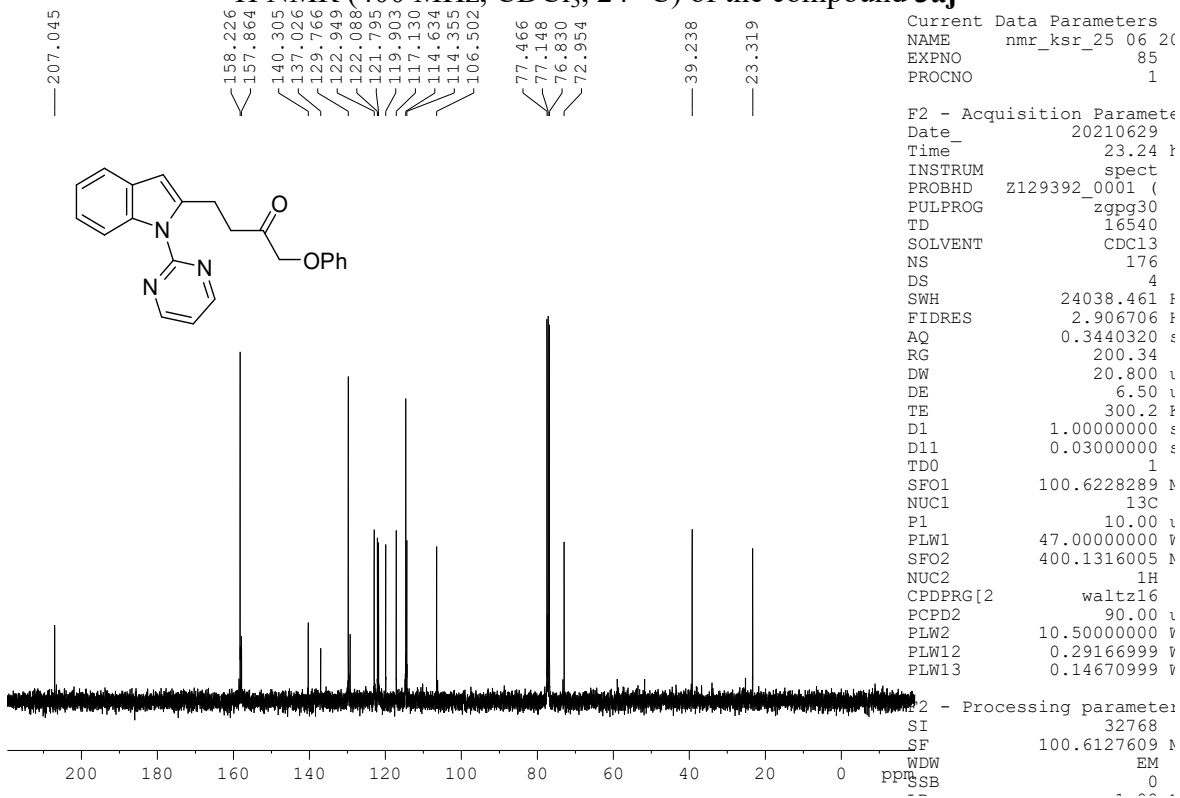


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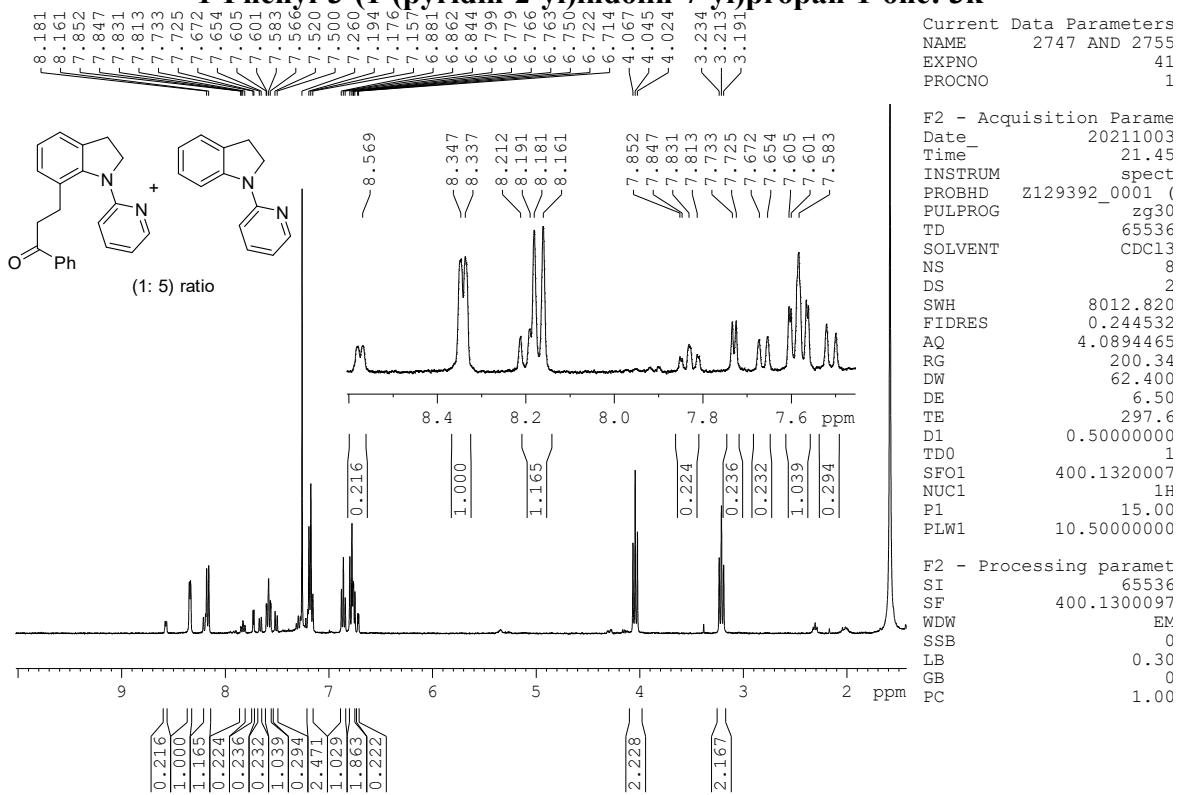


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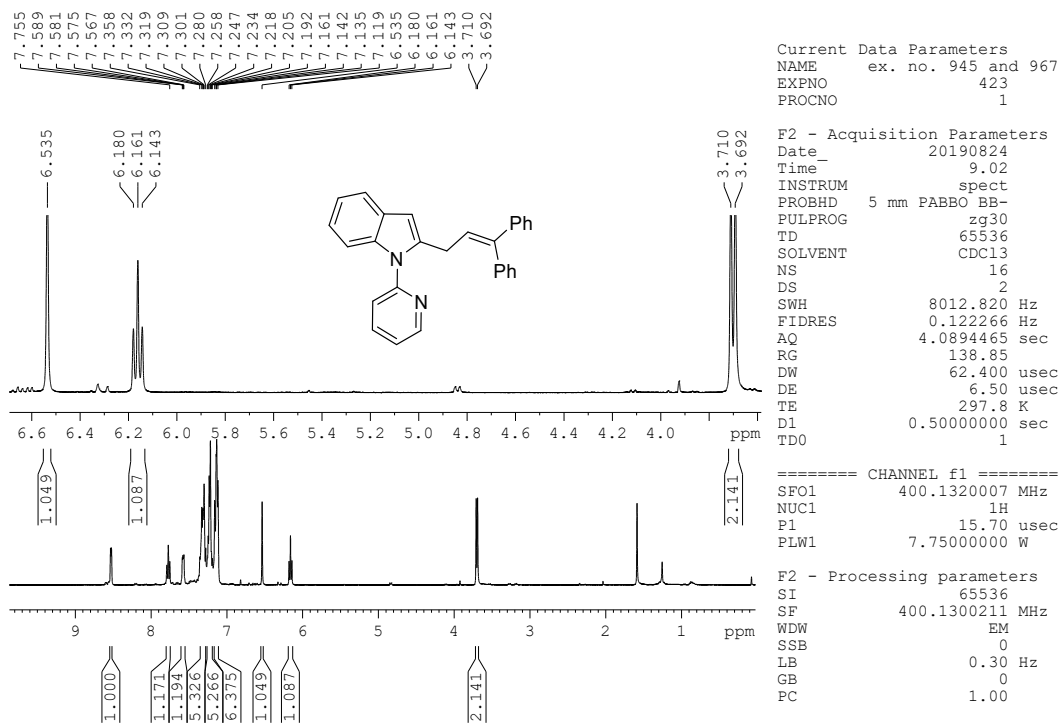
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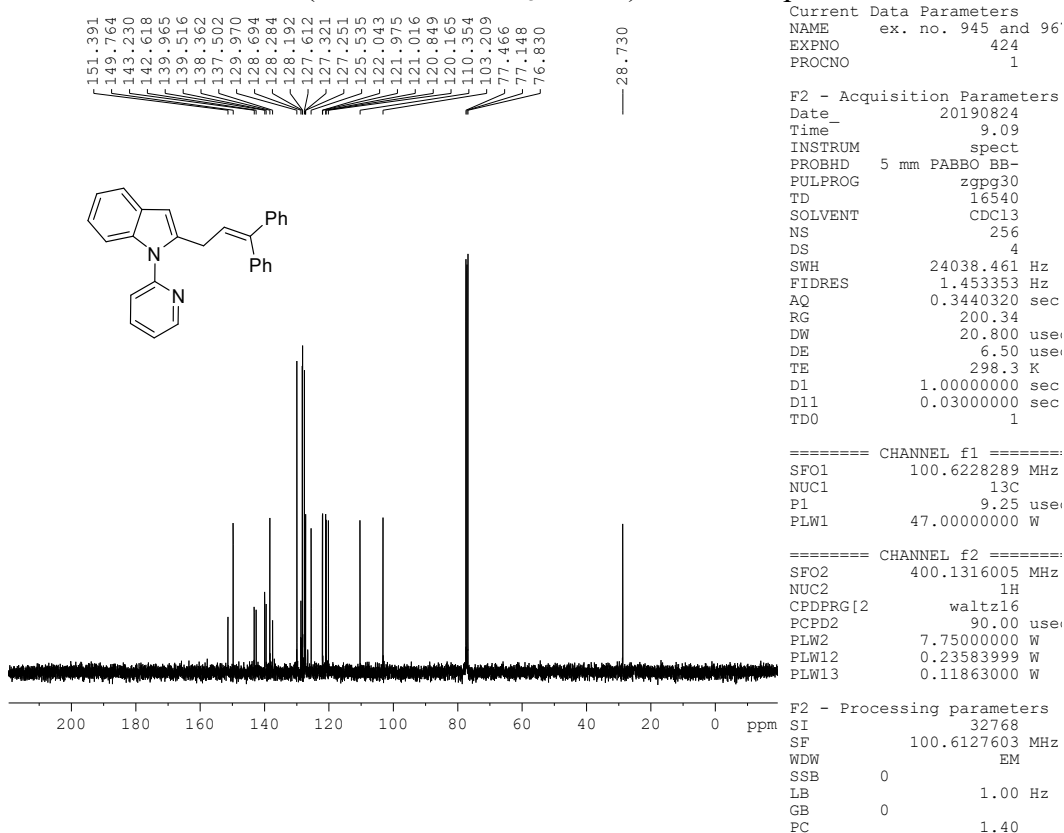


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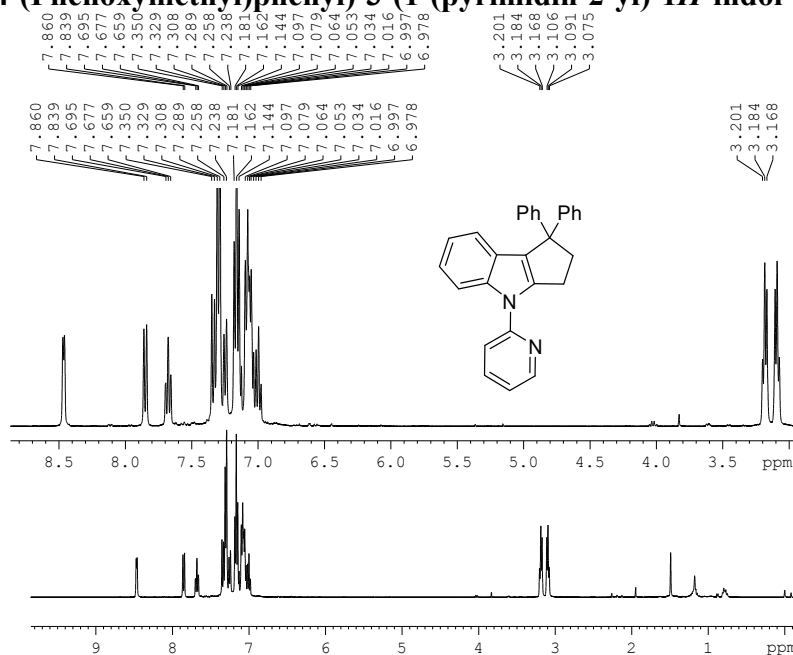


¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 24 °C) of the compound 6



¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 24 °C) of the compound 6

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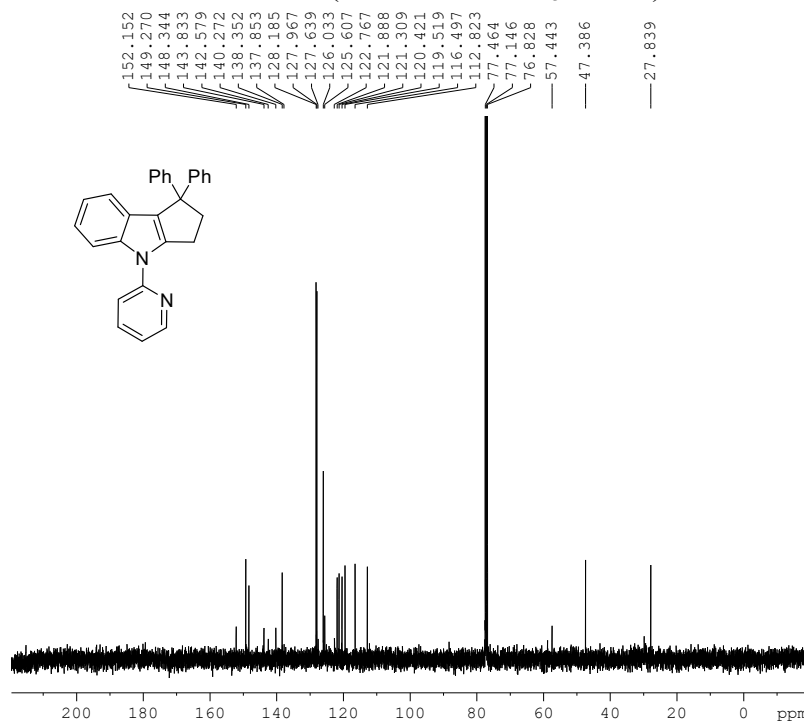
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¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 24 °C) of the compound 7



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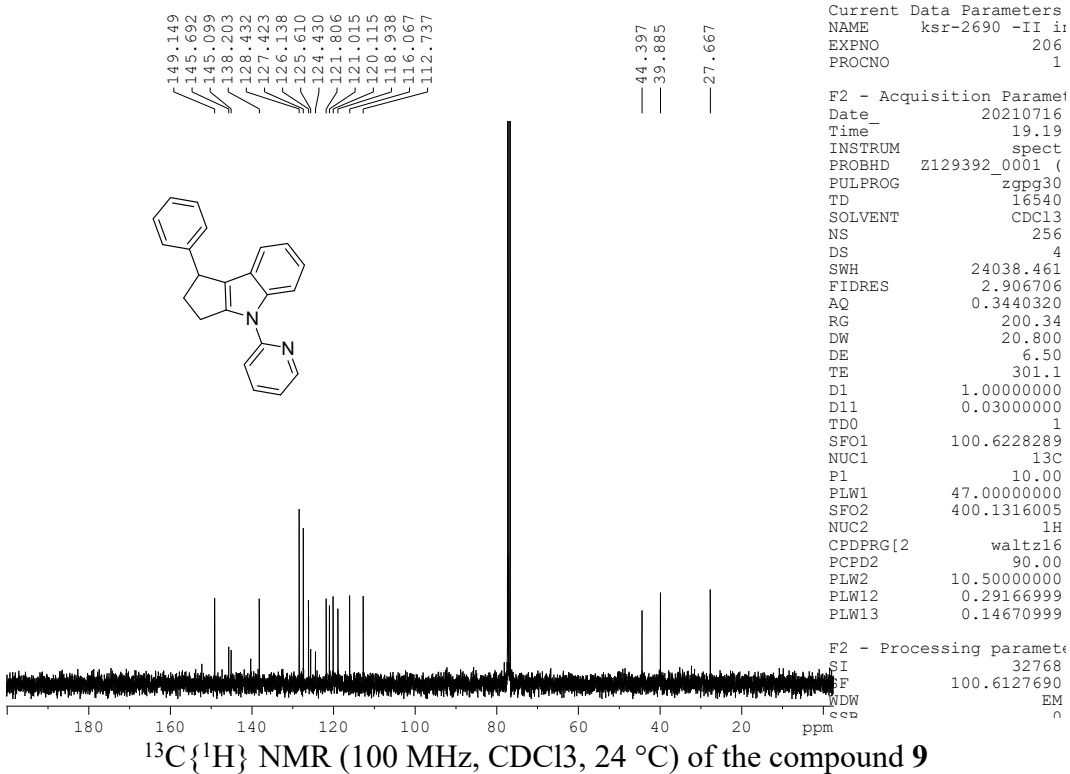
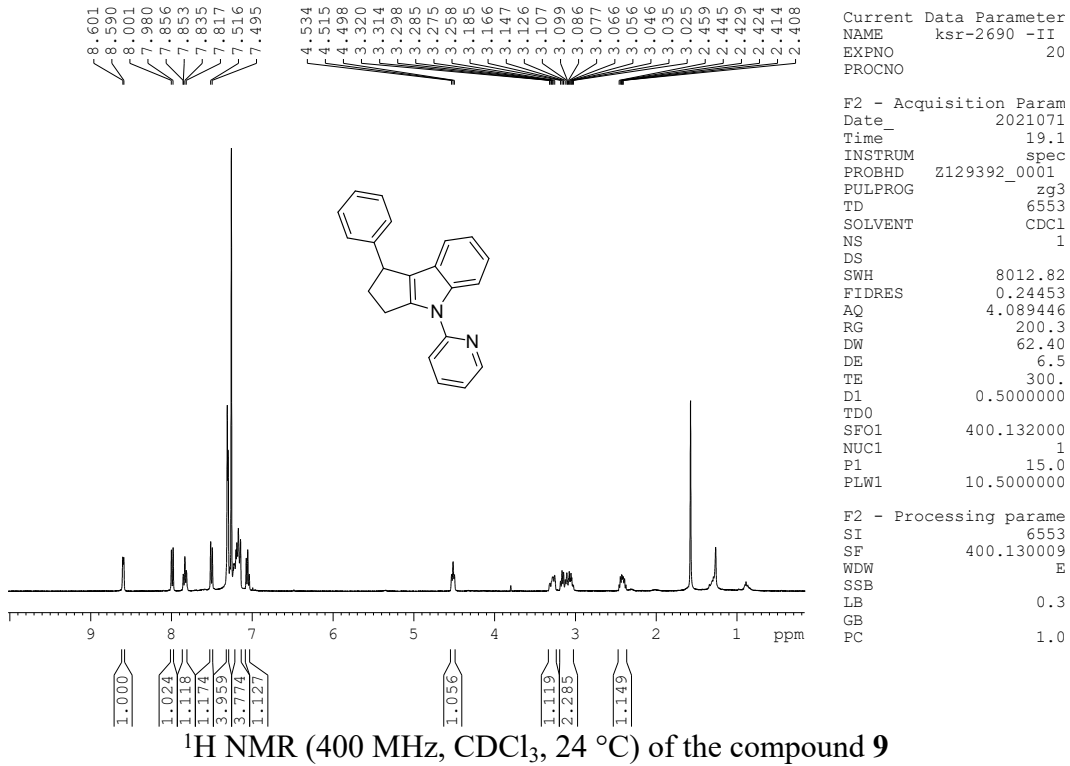
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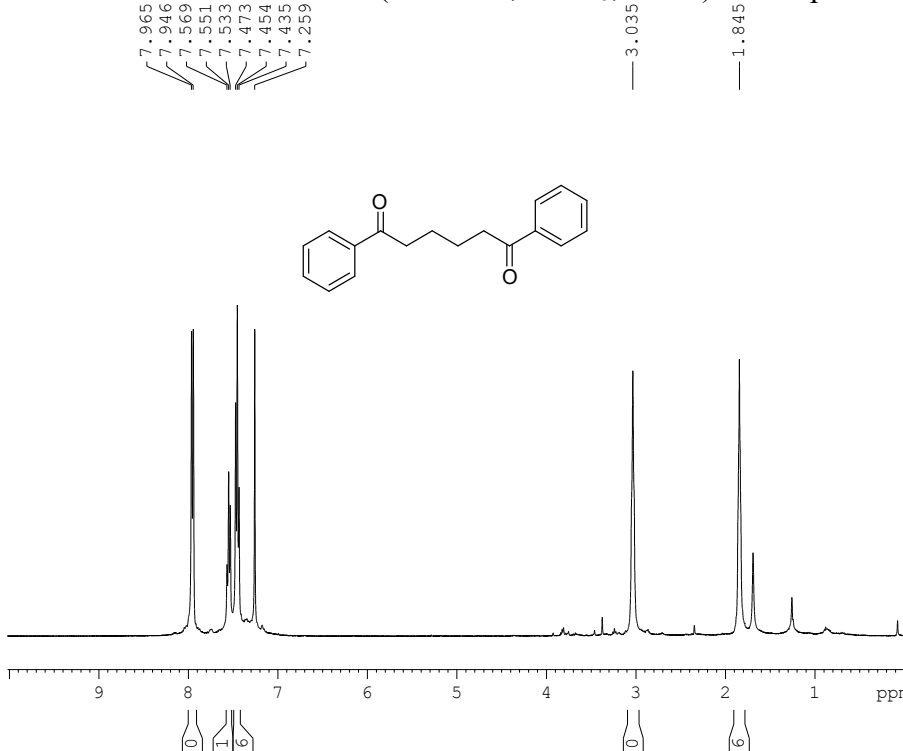
¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 24 °C) of the compound 7

1-Phenyl-4-(pyridin-2-yl)-1,2,3,4-tetrahydrocyclopenta[b]indole 9



1,6-Diphenylhexane-1,6-dione (4a)

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 24 °C) of compound 4a

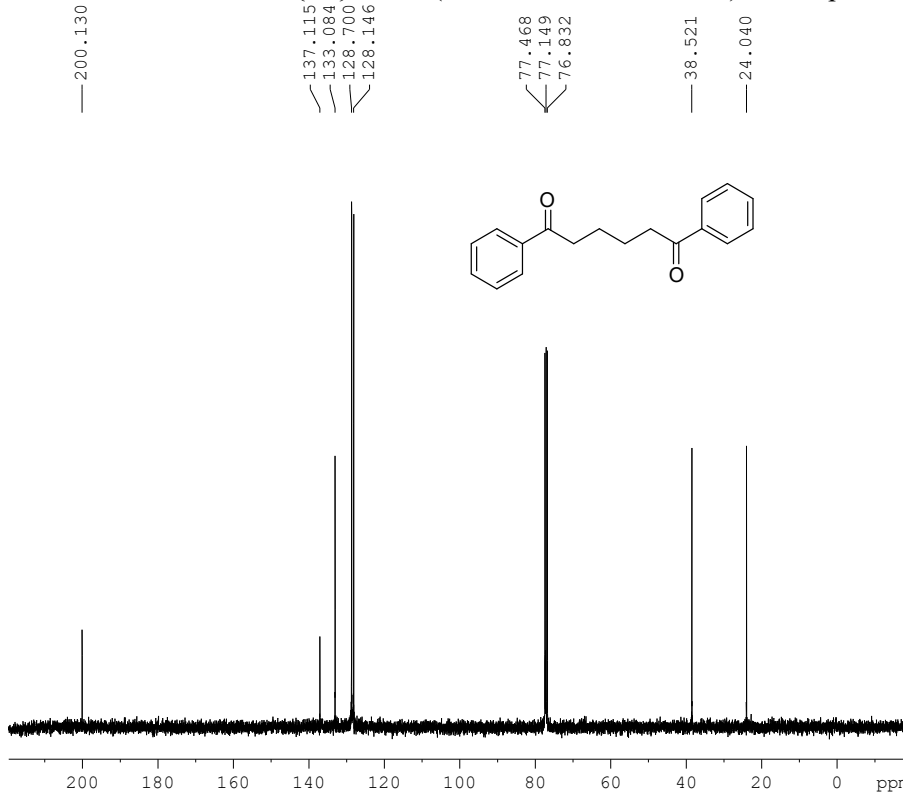


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¹³C {¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 24 °C) of compound 4a



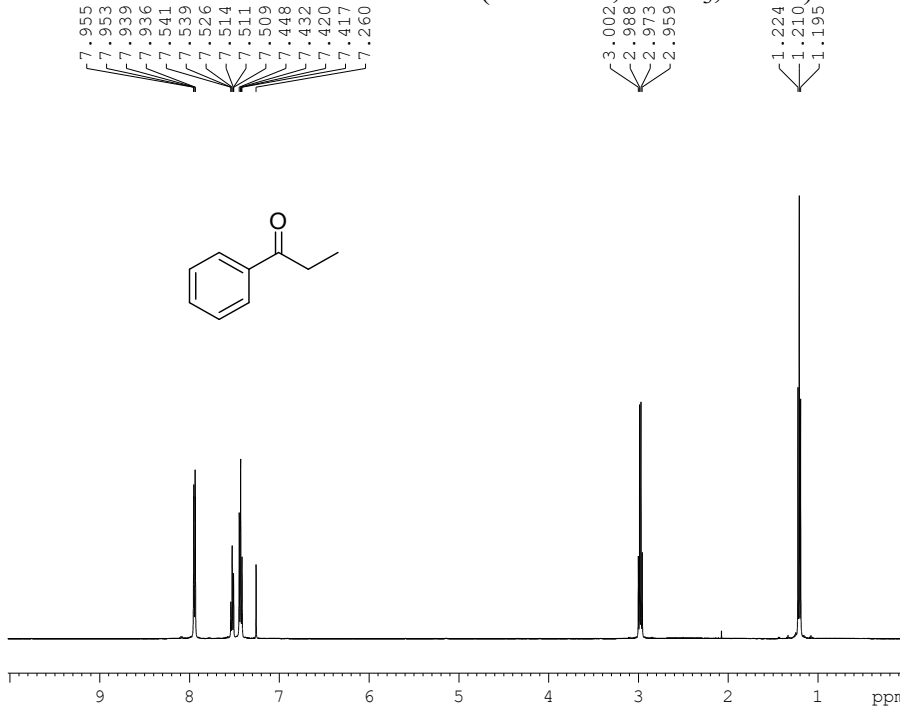
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Propiophenone:

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 24 °C):



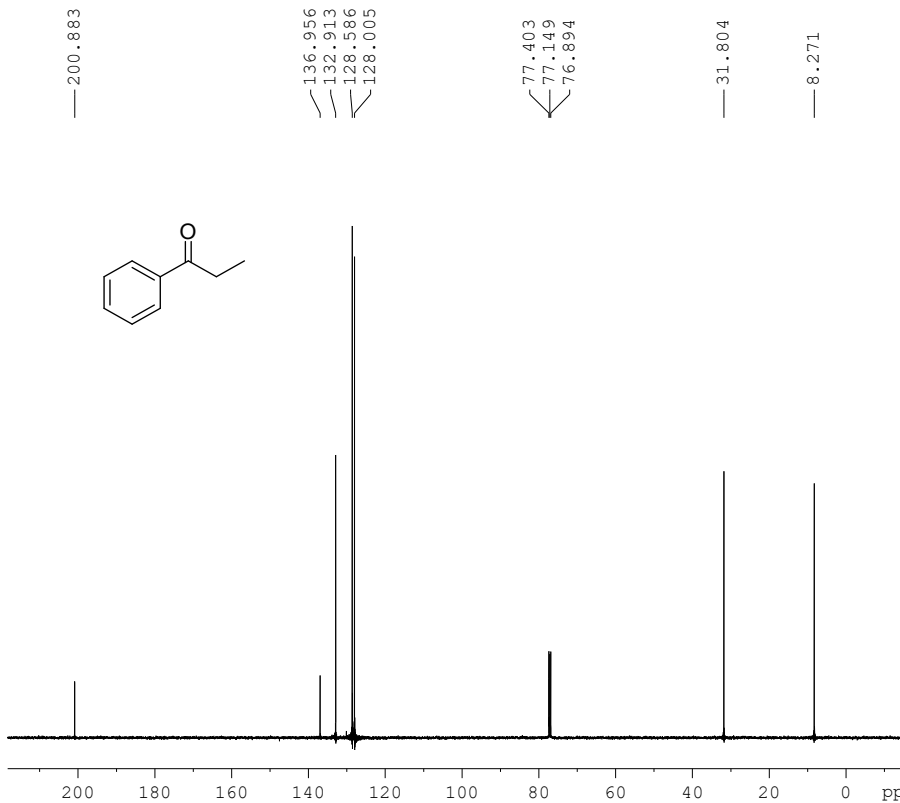
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