

Supporting Information

Metal- and Base-Free Regioselective Cascade Sulfonylation-cyclization of 1,5-Dienes via the Insertion of Sulfur Dioxide: Access to Pyrrolines and Pyrrolinones

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1. General information

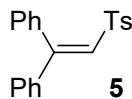
Unless otherwise noted, all reagents and solvents were purchased from commercial suppliers and used without further purification. DABSO and solvents were purchased from Leyan company and used without further purification. Aiazonium salts were freshly prepared according to the literature.² ¹H-NMR and ¹³C-NMR spectra were recorded at 25 °C on Bruker Advance 600M or 400M NMR spectrometers (CDCl₃, DMSO as solvent). Chemical shifts for ¹H NMR spectra are reported as δ in units of parts per million (ppm) downfield from SiMe₄ (δ 0.0) and relative to the signal of SiMe₄ (δ 0.00 singlet). Multiplicities were given as: s (singlet); d (doublet); t (triplet); q (quartet); dd (doublet of doublets); dt (doublet of triplets); m (multiplets) and *etc.* Coupling constants are reported as a *J* value in Hz. ¹³C NMR spectra are reported as δ in units of parts per million (ppm) downfield from SiMe₄ (δ 0.0) and relative to the signal of chloroform-d (δ 77.00 triplet). High resolution mass spectral analysis (HRMS) was performed on WaterXEVOG2 Q-TOF (Waters Corporation). Flash chromatography was performed using 200-300 mesh silica gel with the indicated solvent system.

2. Procedure for the synthesis of compound 3a – 3p, 4a – 4l.

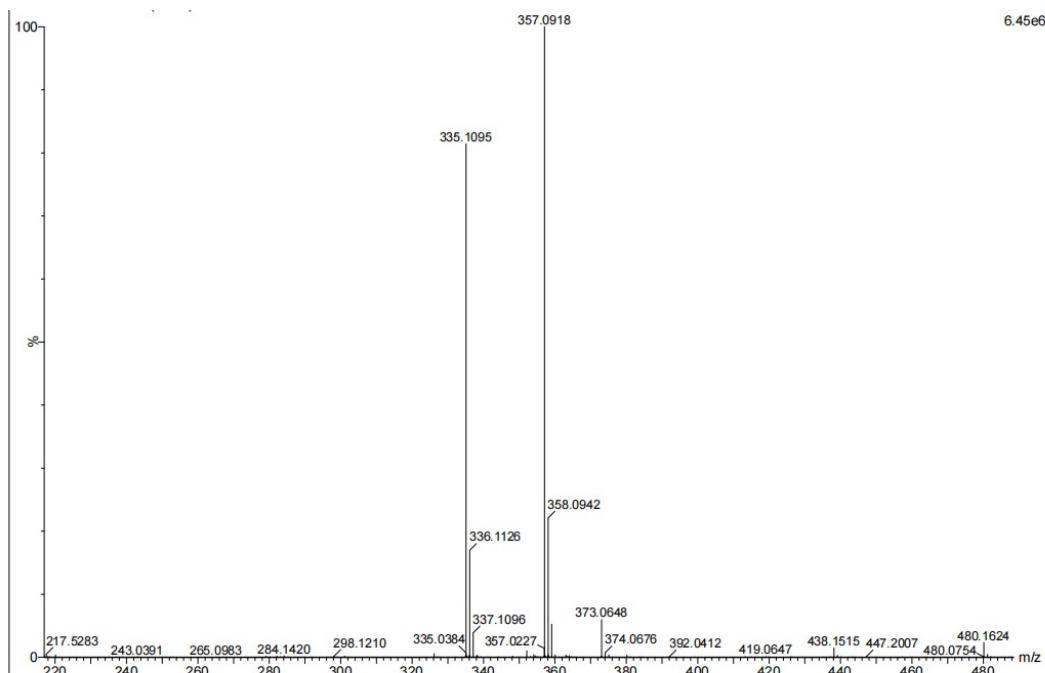


A dry 25-mL Schlenk tube containing a magnetic stirring bar was charged with 1,5-diene (0.1 mmol), aryl diazonium tetrafluoroborate (0.15 mmol), DABSO (0.12 mmol), and DCE (1mL). Then the mixture was charged with N₂ and irradiated with blue LEDs at room temperature for 12 h. After finishing, the reaction mixture was concentrated on a rotary evaporator and the residue was directly subjected to flash column chromatography on silica gel with (10-30% EtOAc/Petroleum ether) as eluate to furnish the desired product.

3. The radical trapping reaction residue was analyzed by high resolution mass spectrometry (HRMS).



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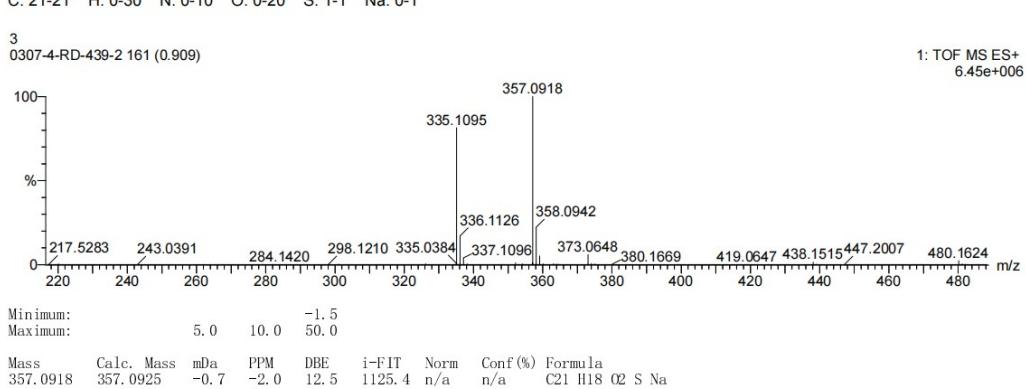
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Single Mass Analysis

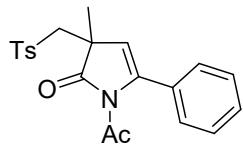
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Monoisotopic Mass, Even Electron Ions

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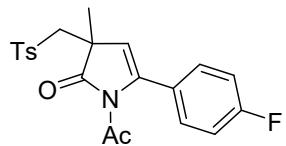


1-acetyl-3-methyl-5-phenyl-3-(tosylmethyl)-1H-pyrrol-2(3H)-one (3a)



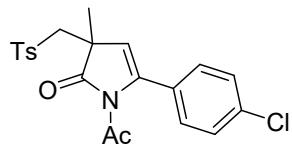
Known compound [1]. ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.71 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.41 – 7.28 (m, 4H), 5.51 (s, 1H), 3.69 (d, $J = 14.4$ Hz, 1H), 3.46 (d, $J = 14.4$ Hz, 1H), 2.49 (s, 3H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 1.39 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 179.60, 169.23, 145.05, 142.88, 136.57, 132.68, 129.89, 128.50, 128.22, 127.88, 126.79, 115.54, 62.17, 47.77, 26.00, 24.57, 21.60.

1-acetyl-5-(4-fluorophenyl)-3-methyl-3-(tosylmethyl)-1H-pyrrol-2(3H)-one (3b)



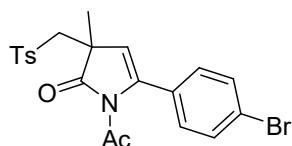
Known compound [1]. ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.71 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.29 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.24 (dd, $J = 8.6, 5.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.05 (t, $J = 8.6$ Hz, 2H), 5.53 (s, 1H), 3.68 (d, $J = 14.3$ Hz, 1H), 3.45 (d, $J = 14.3$ Hz, 1H), 2.50 (s, 3H), 2.43 (s, 3H), 1.39 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 179.56, 169.32, 162.72 ($J = 252$ Hz), 145.14, 142.02, 136.61, 129.93, 128.84, 128.78, 128.14, 115.65, 115.02, 114.88, 62.21, 47.68, 26.05, 24.53, 21.62. ^{19}F NMR (565 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -112.68.

1-acetyl-5-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-methyl-3-(tosylmethyl)-1H-pyrrol-2(3H)-one (3c)



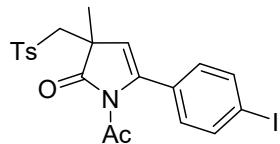
Known compound [1]. ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.70 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.33 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.29 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.19 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 5.56 (s, 1H), 3.68 (d, $J = 14.3$ Hz, 1H), 3.45 (d, $J = 14.3$ Hz, 1H), 2.50 (s, 3H), 2.43 (s, 3H), 1.39 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 179.46, 169.26, 145.16, 141.91, 136.56, 134.40, 131.26, 129.95, 128.24, 128.13, 128.13, 116.05, 62.20, 47.75, 25.97, 24.48, 21.62.

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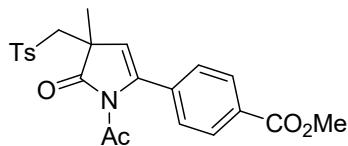
Known compound [1]. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.70 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.48 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.29 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.13 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 5.56 (s, 1H), 3.68 (d, *J* = 14.3 Hz, 1H), 3.45 (d, *J* = 14.3 Hz, 1H), 1.39 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 179.46, 169.26, 145.18, 141.96, 136.56, 131.75, 131.08, 129.96, 128.50, 128.14, 122.61, 116.10, 62.20, 47.77, 25.97, 24.47, 21.64.

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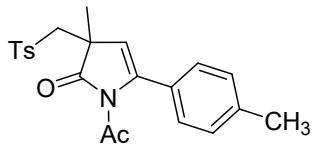
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Methyl-4-(1-acetyl-4-methyl-5-oxo-4-(tosylmethyl)-4,5-dihydro-1H-pyrrol-2-yl)benzoate (3f)



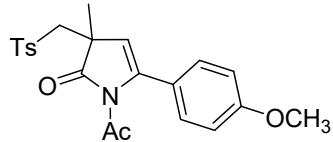
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1-acetyl-3-methyl-5-p-tolyl-3-(tosylmethyl)-1H-pyrrol-2(3H)-one (3g)



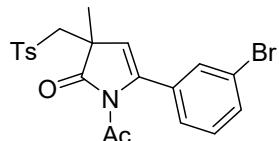
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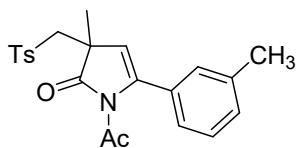
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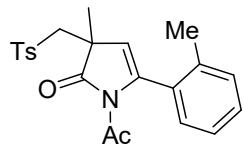
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1-acetyl-3-methyl-5-m-tolyl-3-(tosylmethyl)-1H-pyrrol-2(3H)-one (3j)



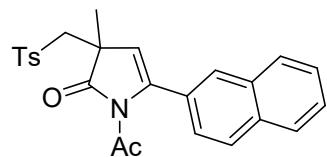
Known compound [1]. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.71 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.28 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.24 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.16 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (s, 1H), 7.02 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 5.49 (s, 1H), 3.69 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 3.46 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 2.49 (s, 3H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 2.37 (s, 3H), 1.39 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 179.65, 169.22, 145.03, 142.99, 137.58, 136.61, 132.59, 129.92, 129.34, 128.26, 127.76, 127.33, 123.91, 115.35, 62.18, 47.77, 26.03, 24.57, 21.63, 21.45.

1-acetyl-3-methyl-5-(o-tolyl)-3-(tosylmethyl)-1H-pyrrol-2(3H)-one (3k)



Known compound [1]. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.78 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.33 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.29 – 7.23 (m, 2H), 7.19 (dd, *J* = 15.2, 7.5 Hz, 2H), 5.58 (s, 1H), 3.67 (d, *J* = 14.0 Hz, 1H), 3.42 (d, *J* = 14.0 Hz, 1H), 2.48 (s, 3H), 2.43 (s, 3H), 2.26 (s, 3H), 1.41 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 179.57, 168.93, 145.11, 136.91, 133.17, 130.00, 129.59, 128.62, 128.43, 128.01, 125.38, 115.29, 62.17, 47.40, 25.74, 24.94, 21.64, 19.81.

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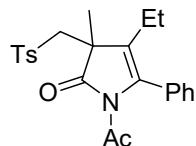


White solid; mp 178.8–180.2 °C; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.86 – 7.82 (m, 2H), 7.80 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.77 – 7.72 (m, 3H), 7.50 (dd, *J* = 5.8, 3.6 Hz, 2H), 7.29 (dd, *J* = 11.5, 4.8 Hz, 3H), 5.62 (s, 1H), 3.73 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 3.49 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 2.52 (s, 3H), 2.41 (s, 3H), 1.43 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 179.65, 169.29, 145.07, 142.98, 136.60, 133.17, 132.86, 130.36, 129.95, 128.25, 128.15,

127.75, 127.21, 126.50, 126.42, 125.71, 124.77, 115.89, 62.25, 47.81, 26.01, 24.60, 21.62.

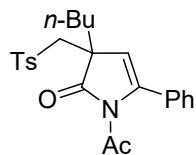
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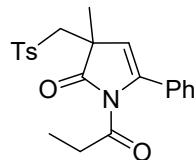
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1-acetyl-3-butyl-5-phenyl-3-(tosylmethyl)-1H-pyrrol-2(3H)-one (3n)



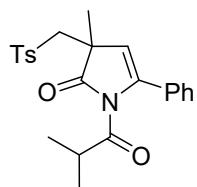
Known compound [1]. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.70 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.42 – 7.30 (m, 4H), 7.26 (t, *J* = 3.7 Hz, 5H), 5.42 (s, 1H), 3.69 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 3.49 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 2.49 (s, 3H), 2.41 (s, 3H), 1.75 – 1.63 (m, 2H), 1.27 (d, *J* = 4.5 Hz, 3H), 1.14 – 1.07 (m, 1H), 0.85 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 179.39, 169.08, 145.00, 143.78, 136.69, 132.82, 129.88, 128.48, 128.22, 127.90, 126.82, 113.99, 61.79, 51.71, 38.07, 26.05, 25.65, 22.61, 21.61, 13.76.

3-methyl-5-phenyl-1-propionyl-3-(tosylmethyl)-1H-pyrrol-2(3H)-one (3o)



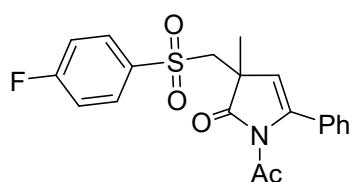
Known compound [1]. ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.70 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.37 – 7.35 (m, 3H), 7.27 (s, 1H), 7.26 – 7.25 (m, 1H), 7.25 – 7.21 (m, 2H), 5.51 (s, 1H), 3.69 (d, $J = 14.4$ Hz, 1H), 3.45 (d, $J = 14.4$ Hz, 1H), 2.94 – 2.84 (m, 2H), 2.41 (s, 3H), 1.39 (s, 3H), 1.14 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 179.42, 173.23, 145.03, 143.01, 136.61, 132.86, 129.87, 128.47, 128.22, 127.93, 126.71, 124.16, 115.49, 62.16, 47.83, 31.58, 24.63, 21.62, 8.33.

1-isobutyryl-3-methyl-5-phenyl-3-(tosylmethyl)-1H-pyrrol-2(3H)-one (3p)



Known compound [1]. ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.69 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.37 – 7.33 (m, 3H), 7.24 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.21 – 7.17 (m, 2H), 5.50 (s, 1H), 3.70 (d, $J = 14.5$ Hz, 1H), 3.68 – 3.62 (m, 1H), 3.46 (d, $J = 14.4$ Hz, 1H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 1.40 (s, 3H), 1.24 (d, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 3H), 1.18 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 178.90, 176.66, 144.96, 143.16, 136.69, 132.81, 129.86, 128.49, 128.18, 128.05, 126.22, 115.30, 62.11, 48.11, 35.57, 24.69, 21.63, 18.60, 18.37.

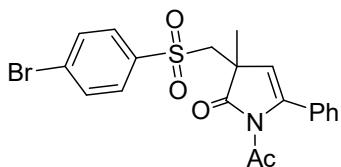
1-acetyl-3-(((4-fluorophenyl)sulfonyl)methyl)-3-methyl-5-phenyl-1,3-dihydro-2H-pyrrol-2-one (4a)



White solid; mp 154.0–155.6 °C; ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.84 (dd, $J = 8.6, 5.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.41 – 7.34 (m, 3H), 7.25 (dd, $J = 8.0, 4.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.15 (t, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 5.50 (s, 1H), 3.71 (d, $J = 14.4$ Hz, 1H), 3.48 (d, $J = 14.4$ Hz, 1H), 2.53 (s, 3H), 1.40 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 179.54, 169.31, 165.93 ($J = 255$ Hz), 143.19, 135.69, 135.67, 132.56, 131.17, 131.10, 128.64, 128.00, 126.71, 116.71, 116.56, 115.23, 62.35, 47.82, 26.05, 24.51. ^{19}F NMR (565 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -102.69.

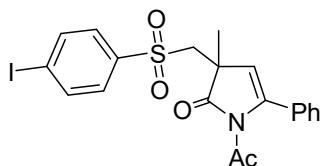
HRMS (ESI, m/z): Calcd. For $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{18}\text{NO}_4\text{SFNa} [\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 410.0833, found: 410.0836.

1-acetyl-3-((4-bromophenylsulfonyl)methyl)-3-methyl-5-phenyl-1H-pyrrol-2(3H)-one (4b)



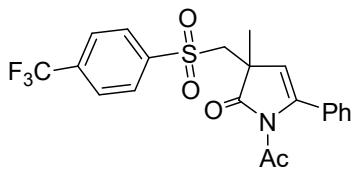
Known compound [1]. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.68 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.62 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.44 – 7.33 (m, 3H), 7.28 – 7.18 (m, 3H), 5.49 (s, 1H), 3.70 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 3.47 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 2.52 (s, 3H), 1.40 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 179.43, 169.26, 143.21, 138.48, 132.64, 132.48, 129.73, 129.42, 128.65, 127.99, 126.69, 115.14, 62.19, 47.75, 26.01, 24.56.

1-acetyl-3-((4-iodophenylsulfonyl)methyl)-3-methyl-5-phenyl-1H-pyrrol-2(3H)-one (4c)



Known compound [1]. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.84 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.52 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.39 – 7.34 (m, 3H), 7.24 – 7.19 (m, 2H), 5.48 (s, 1H), 3.70 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 3.46 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 2.52 (s, 3H), 1.40 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 179.43, 169.27, 143.18, 139.11, 138.64, 132.49, 129.51, 128.66, 128.00, 126.71, 115.18, 102.06, 62.13, 47.75, 26.04, 24.59.

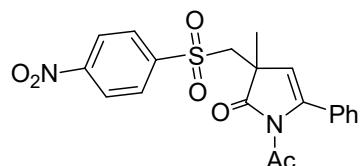
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Known compound [1]. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.96 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.75 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.43 – 7.33 (m, 3H), 7.21 (dd, *J* = 6.4, 2.7 Hz, 2H), 5.46 (s, 1H), 3.74 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 3.52 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 2.52 (s, 3H), 1.41 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 179.34, 169.26, 143.38, 135.65 (*J* = 33 Hz), 132.38, 128.84,

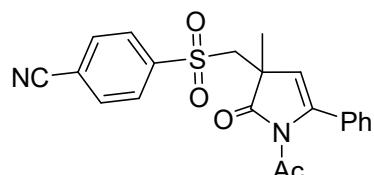
128.73, 128.02, 126.64, 126.48 ($J = 4.5$ Hz), 122.99 ($J = 122.3$ Hz), 114.96, 62.11, 47.73, 26.00, 24.52. ^{19}F NMR (565 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -63.28.

1-acetyl-3-methyl-3-((4-nitrophenylsulfonyl)methyl)-5-phenyl-1H-pyrrol-2(3H)-one (4j)



Known compound [1]. ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.30 (d, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 2H), 8.03 (d, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 2H), 7.40 – 7.35 (m, 3H), 7.23 (dd, $J = 6.3, 2.8$ Hz, 2H), 5.45 (s, 1H), 3.75 (d, $J = 14.4$ Hz, 1H), 3.54 (d, $J = 14.4$ Hz, 1H), 2.56 (s, 3H), 1.43 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 179.33, 169.30, 150.92, 145.13, 143.70, 132.33, 129.66, 128.84, 128.10, 126.63, 124.49, 114.71, 62.22, 47.79, 26.07, 24.42.

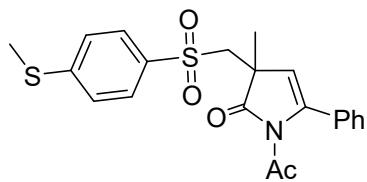
4-(((1-acetyl-3-methyl-2-oxo-5-phenyl-2,3-dihydro-1H-pyrrol-3-yl)methyl)sulfonyl)benzonitrile (4f)



White solid; mp 189.4–191.5 °C; ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.95 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.77 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.41 – 7.36 (m, 3H), 7.25 – 7.20 (m, 2H), 5.44 (s, 1H), 3.73 (d, $J = 14.4$ Hz, 1H), 3.51 (d, $J = 14.4$ Hz, 1H), 2.56 (s, 3H), 1.42 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 179.33, 169.29, 143.66, 143.62, 133.05, 132.35, 128.90, 128.82, 128.09, 126.64, 117.77, 116.91, 114.76, 62.15, 47.77, 26.07, 24.43.

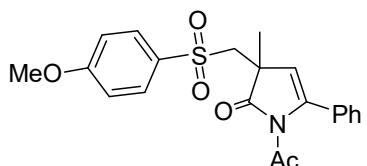
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1-acetyl-3-methyl-3-(((4-(methylthio)phenyl)sulfonyl)methyl)-5-phenyl-1,3-dihydro-2H-pyrrol-2-one (4g)



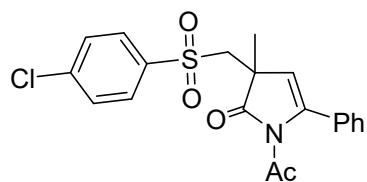
White solid; mp 102.9–104.8 °C; ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.68 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.38 – 7.34 (m, 3H), 7.23 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 4H), 5.49 (s, 1H), 3.71 (d, $J = 14.4$ Hz, 1H), 3.46 (d, $J = 14.4$ Hz, 1H), 2.49 (s, 3H), 2.49 (s, 3H), 1.39 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 179.50, 169.31, 147.81, 142.88, 134.77, 132.65, 128.54, 128.49, 127.93, 126.75, 125.29, 115.56, 62.24, 47.78, 26.01, 24.69, 14.65.
 HRMS (ESI, m/z): Calcd. For $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{21}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4\text{S}_2\text{Na} [\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 438.0804, found: 438.0807.

1-acetyl-3-((4-methoxyphenylsulfonyl)methyl)-3-methyl-5-phenyl-1H-pyrrol-2(3H)-one (4h)



Known compound [1]. ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.74 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 2H), 7.41 – 7.33 (m, 3H), 7.25 (d, $J = 3.7$ Hz, 2H), 6.91 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 2H), 5.50 (s, 1H), 5.12 – 5.10 (m, 1H), 3.70 (d, $J = 14.4$ Hz, 1H), 3.45 (d, $J = 14.4$ Hz, 1H), 2.50 (s, 3H), 1.39 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 179.59, 169.29, 163.90, 142.79, 132.71, 130.90, 130.46, 128.49, 127.90, 126.77, 115.66, 114.45, 62.36, 55.73, 47.80, 26.04, 24.65.

1-acetyl-3-((4-chlorophenylsulfonyl)methyl)-3-methyl-5-phenyl-1,3-dihydro-2H-pyrrol-2-one (4i)

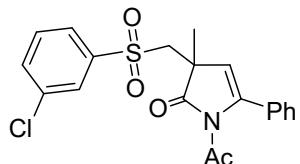


White solid; mp 140.5–142.1 °C; ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.76 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.45 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.41 – 7.32 (m, 3H), 7.23 (dd, $J = 6.5, 2.8$ Hz, 2H), 5.50 (s, 1H), 3.71 (d, $J = 14.4$ Hz, 1H), 3.47 (d, $J = 14.4$ Hz, 1H), 2.53 (s, 3H), 1.41 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 179.47, 169.29, 143.23, 140.85, 137.99, 132.51, 129.70, 129.66, 128.67, 128.00, 126.71, 115.17, 62.25, 47.79, 26.02, 24.55.

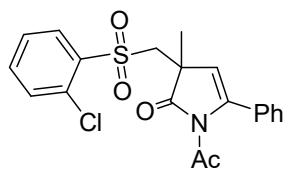
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1-acetyl-3-((3-chlorophenylsulfonyl)methyl)-3-methyl-5-phenyl-1H-pyrrol-2(3H)-one (4j)



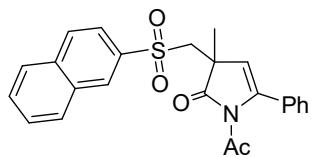
Known compound [1]. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.83 (s, 1H), 7.72 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.60 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.38 – 7.35 (m, 3H), 7.26 – 7.24 (m, 2H), 5.49 (s, 1H), 3.71 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 3.50 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 2.55 (s, 3H), 1.42 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 179.48, 169.27, 143.41, 141.38, 135.60, 134.15, 132.49, 130.64, 128.63, 128.16, 127.99, 126.75, 126.29, 114.94, 62.17, 47.78, 26.08, 24.47.

1-acetyl-3-((2-chlorophenylsulfonyl)methyl)-3-methyl-5-phenyl-1H-pyrrol-2(3H)-one (4k)



Known compound [1]. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.93 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (t, *J* = 9.4 Hz, 2H), 7.33 (d, *J* = 4.1 Hz, 2H), 7.27 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.14 (d, *J* = 4.3 Hz, 2H), 5.32 (s, 1H), 3.93 (s, 2H), 2.54 (s, 3H), 1.42 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 179.41, 169.36, 143.29, 137.12, 134.94, 132.69, 132.53, 131.88, 128.56, 127.89, 127.48, 126.57, 115.08, 60.13, 47.71, 26.06, 24.40.

1-acetyl-3-methyl-3-((naphthalen-2-ylsulfonyl)methyl)-5-phenyl-1H-pyrrol-2(3H)-one(4l)

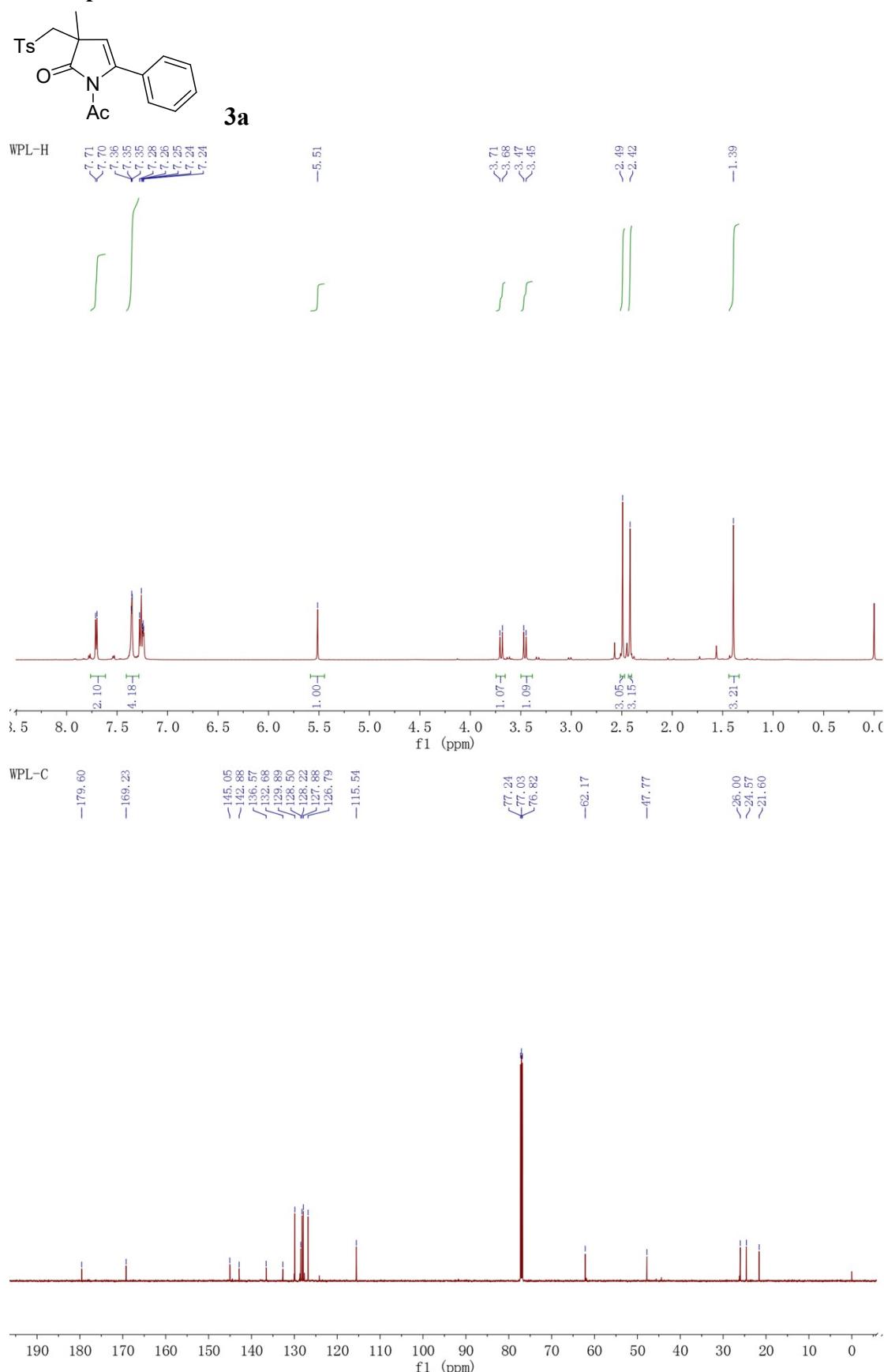


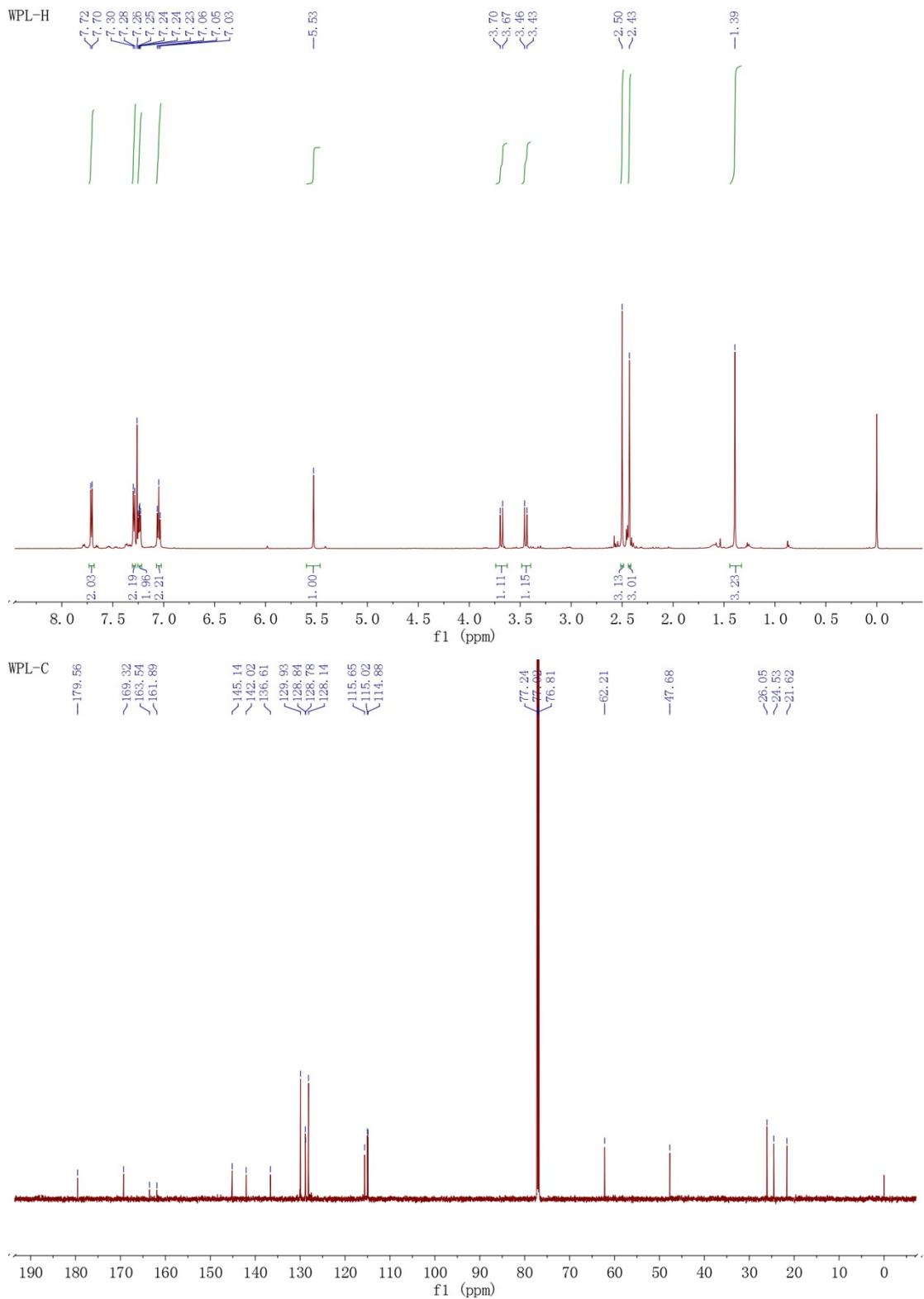
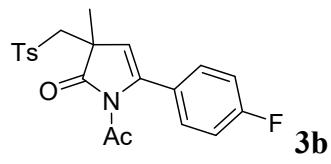
Known compound [1]. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.35 (s, 1H), 7.95 (d, $J = 8.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.91 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.84 – 7.74 (m, 2H), 7.67 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.58 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.37 – 7.29 (m, 3H), 7.19 (d, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 2H), 5.44 (s, 1H), 3.82 (d, $J = 14.5$ Hz, 1H), 3.57 (d, $J = 14.5$ Hz, 1H), 2.43 (s, 3H), 1.40 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 179.55, 169.29, 143.10, 136.20, 135.30, 132.59, 131.91, 130.28, 129.65, 129.53, 128.52, 127.92, 127.89, 127.75, 126.70, 122.56, 115.27, 62.08, 47.84, 25.93, 24.58.

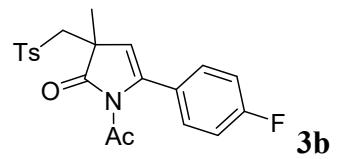
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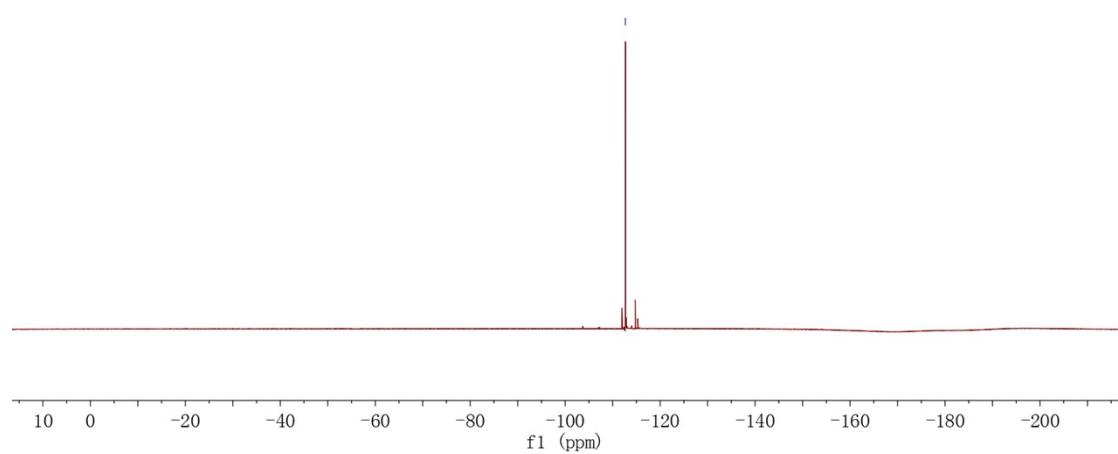


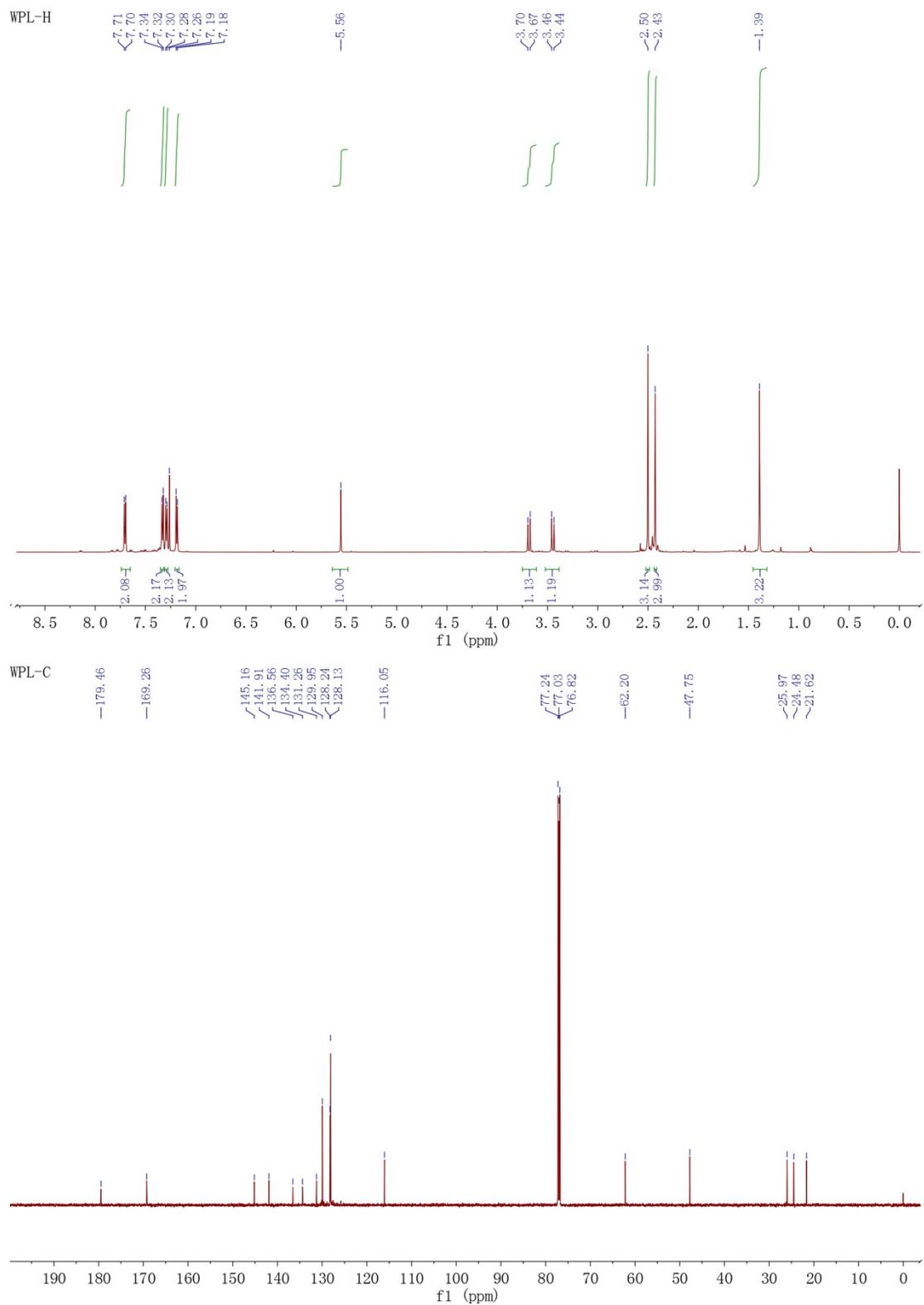
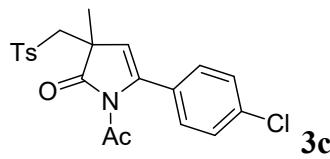


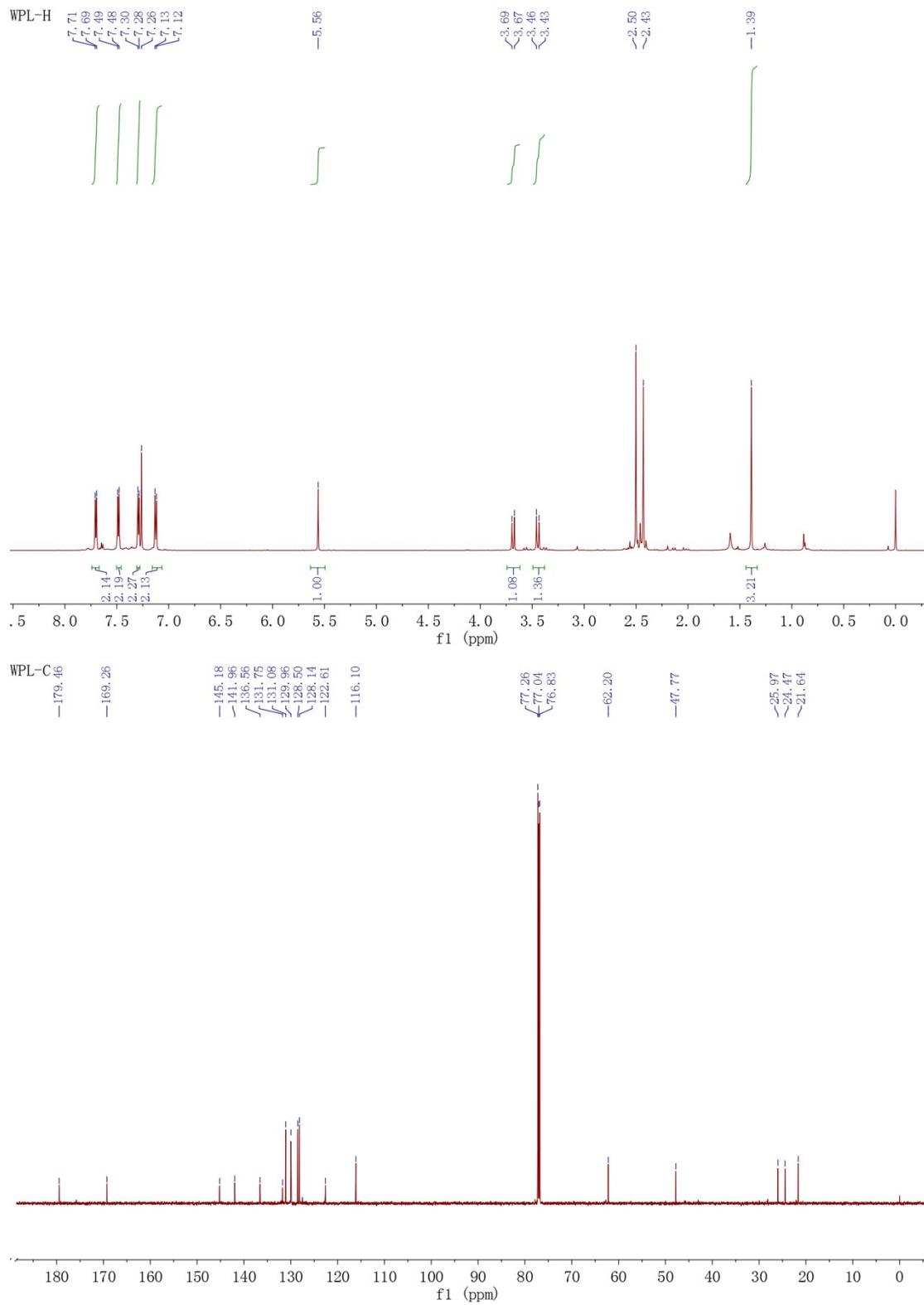
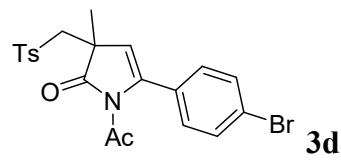


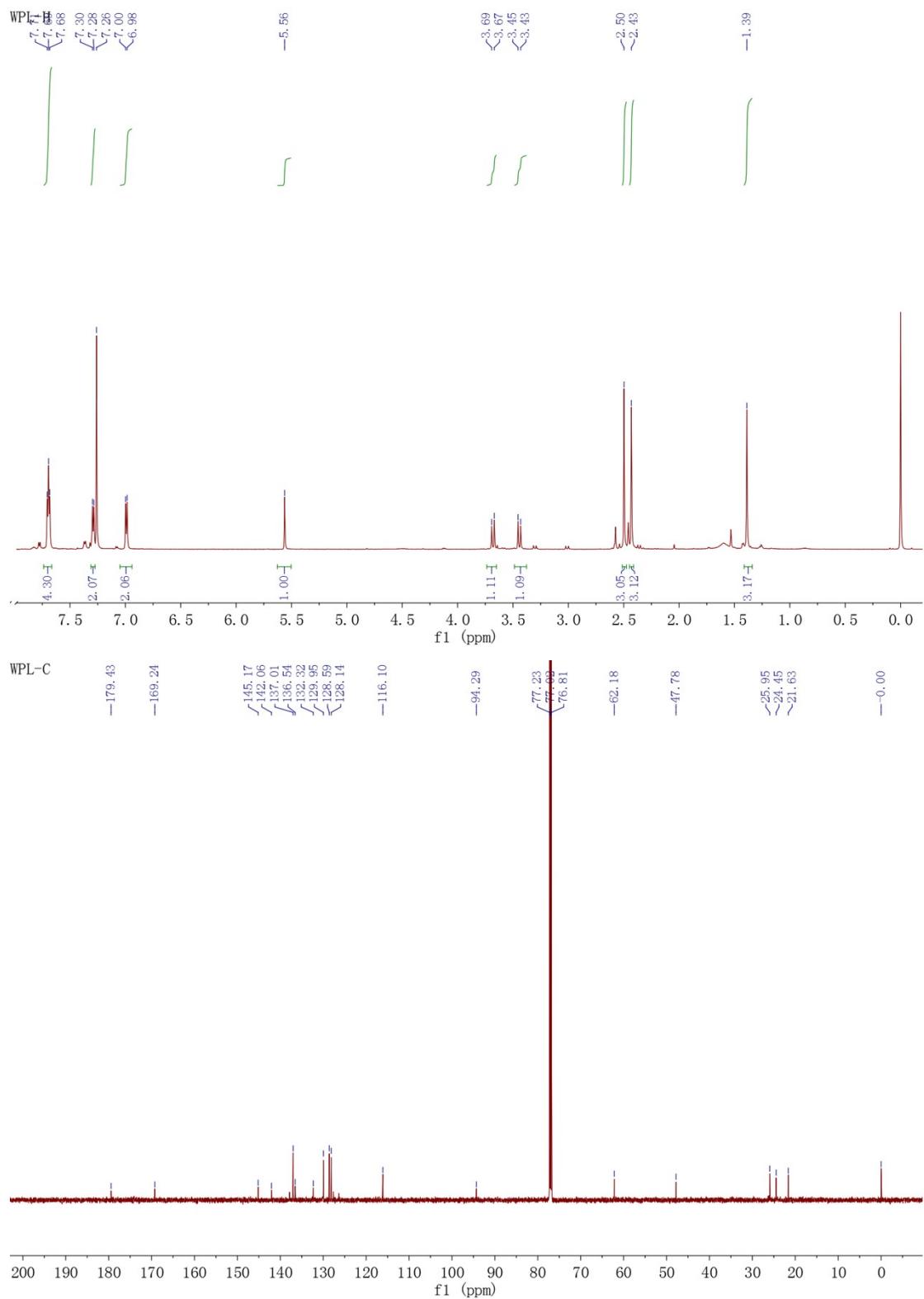
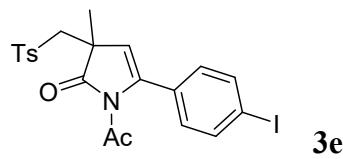
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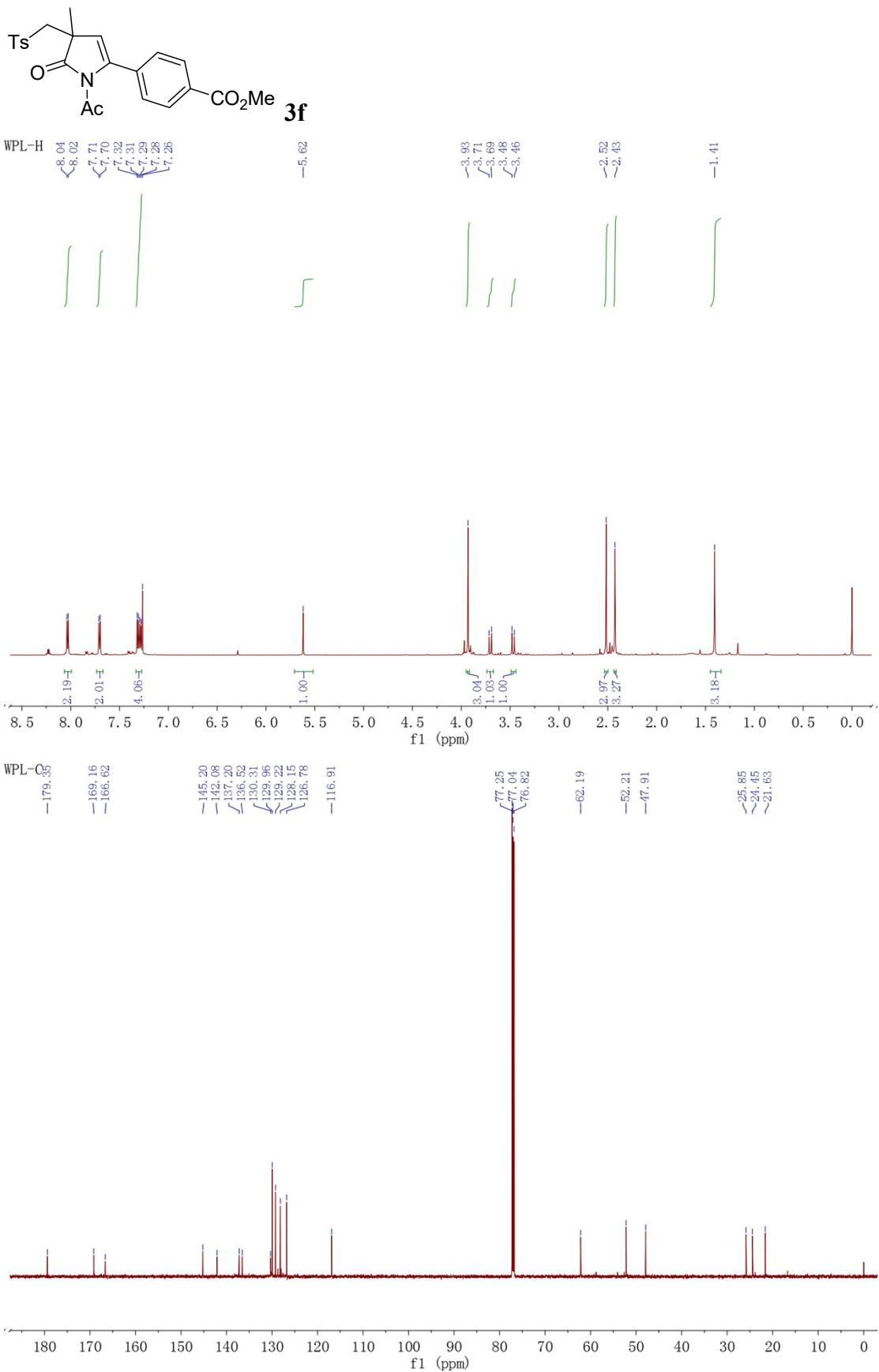
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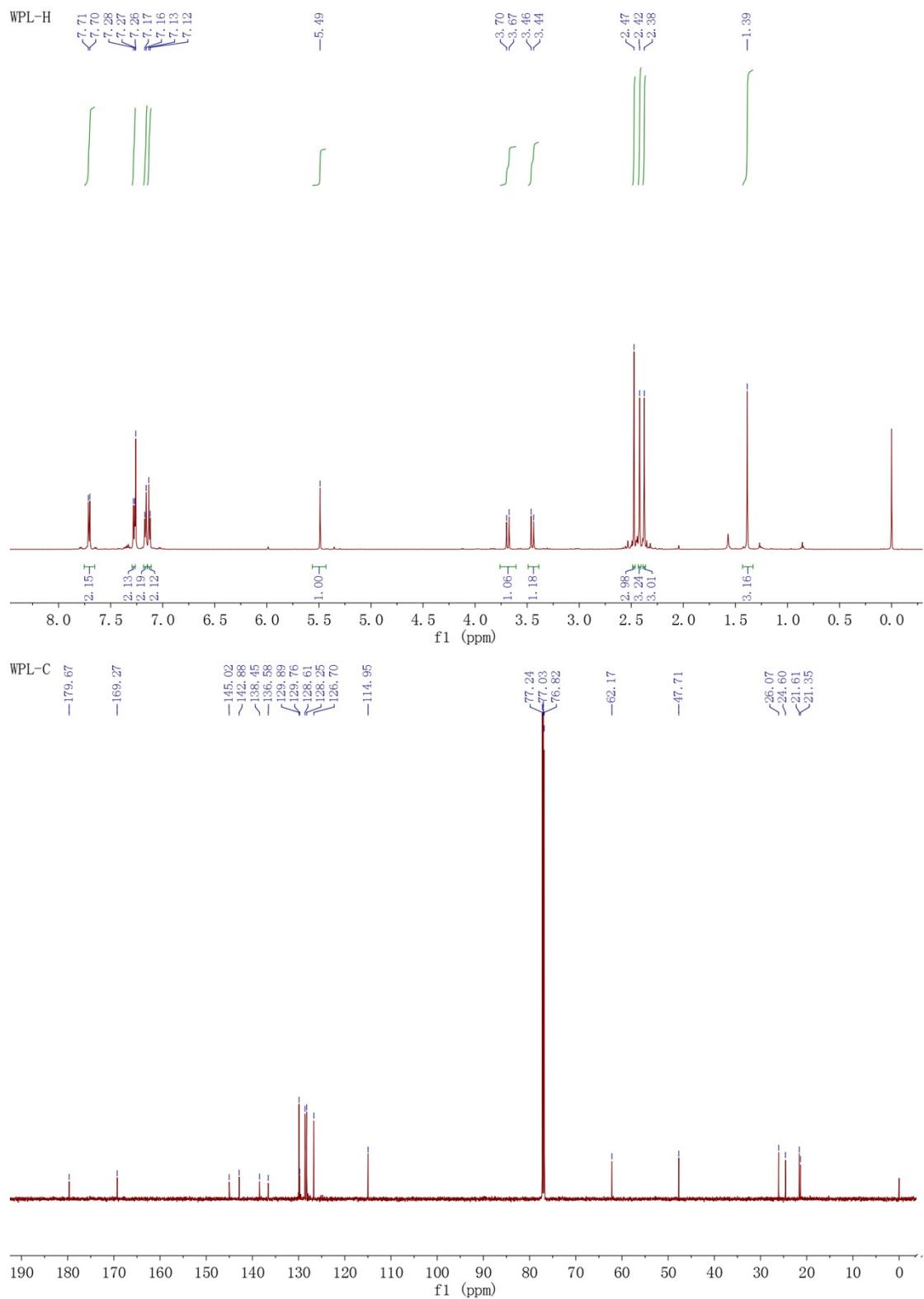
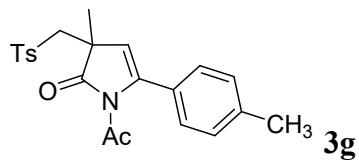


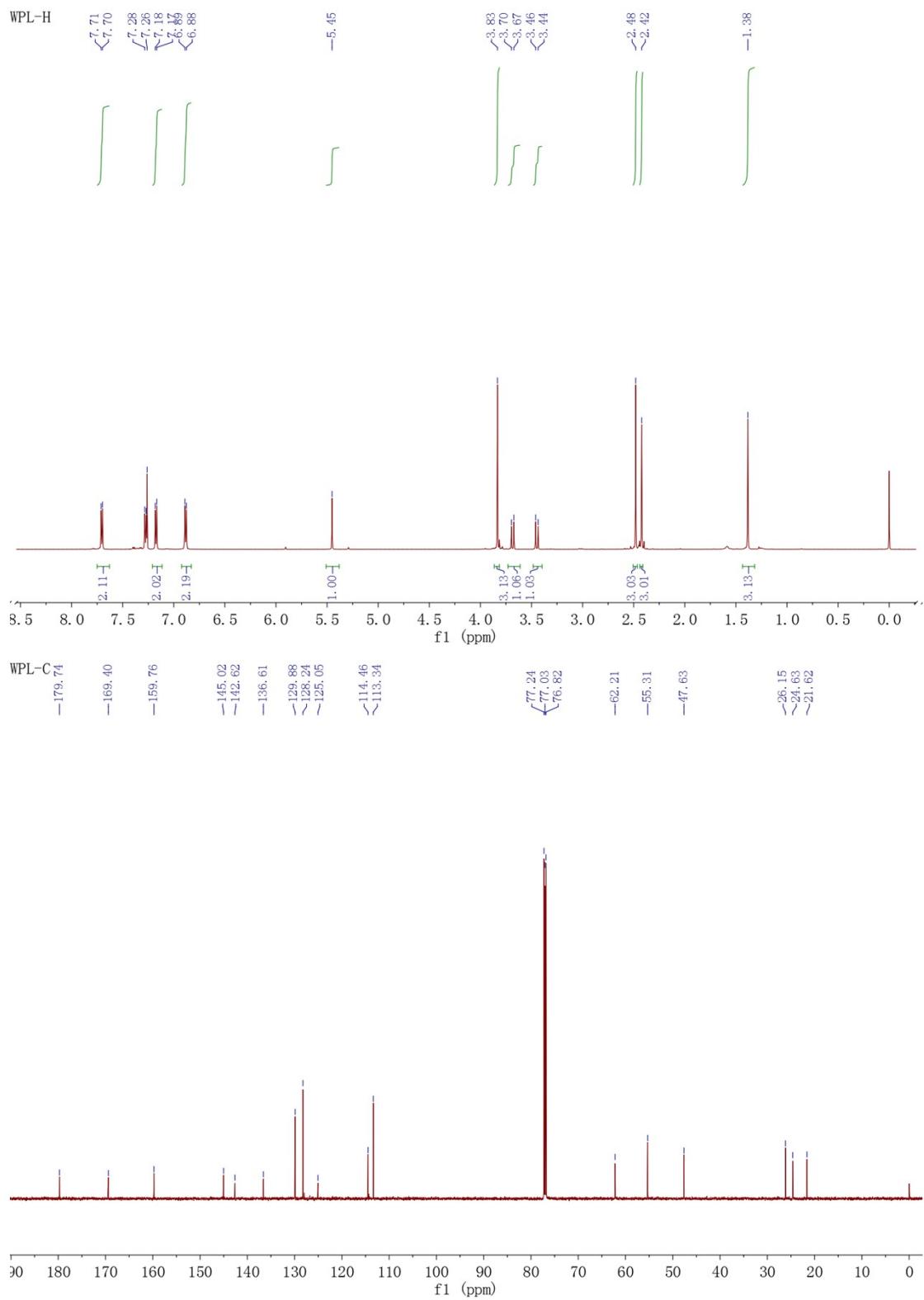
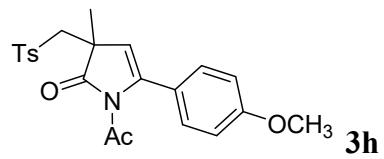


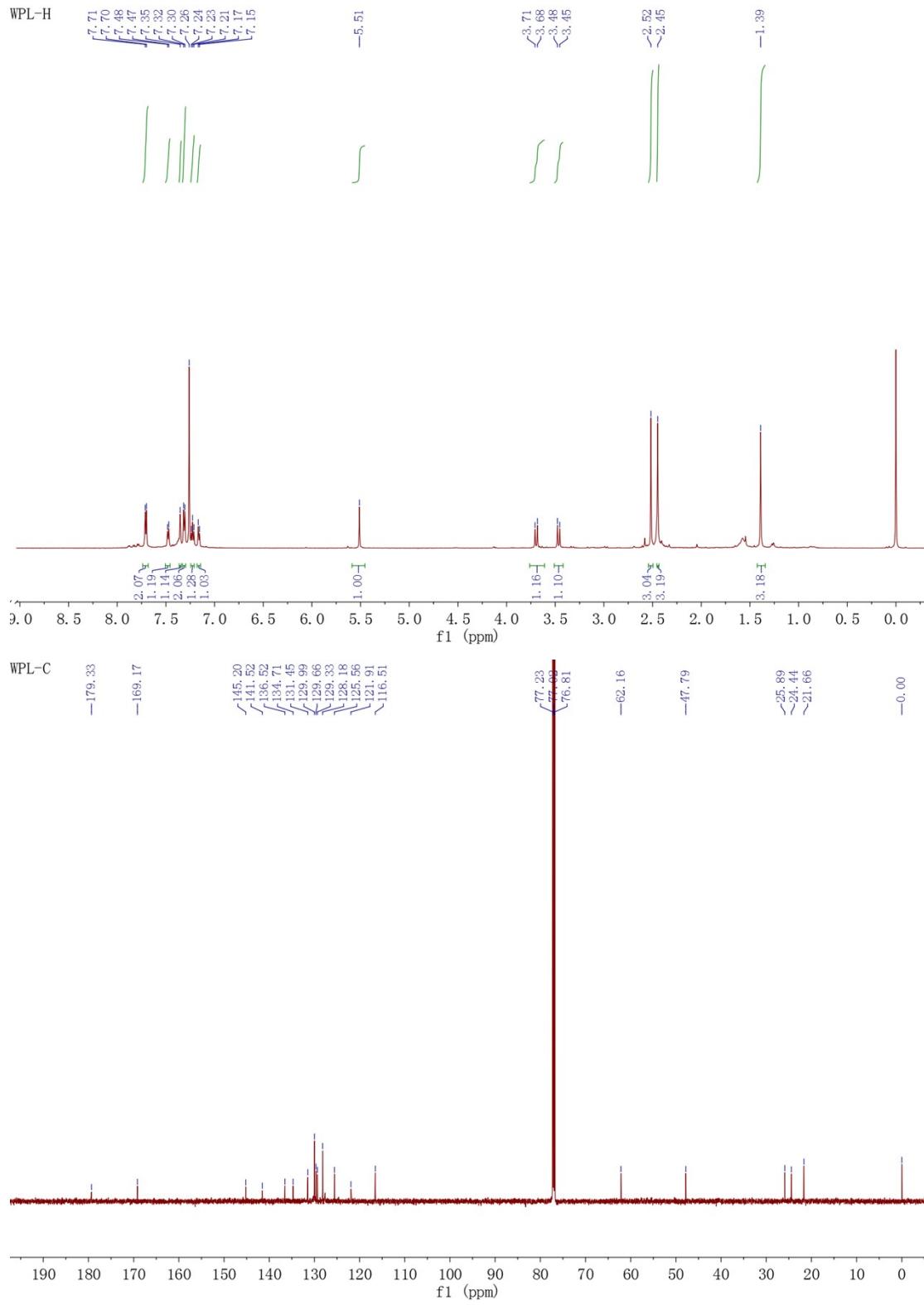
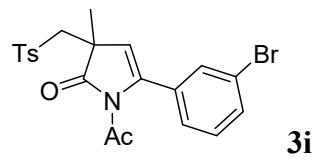


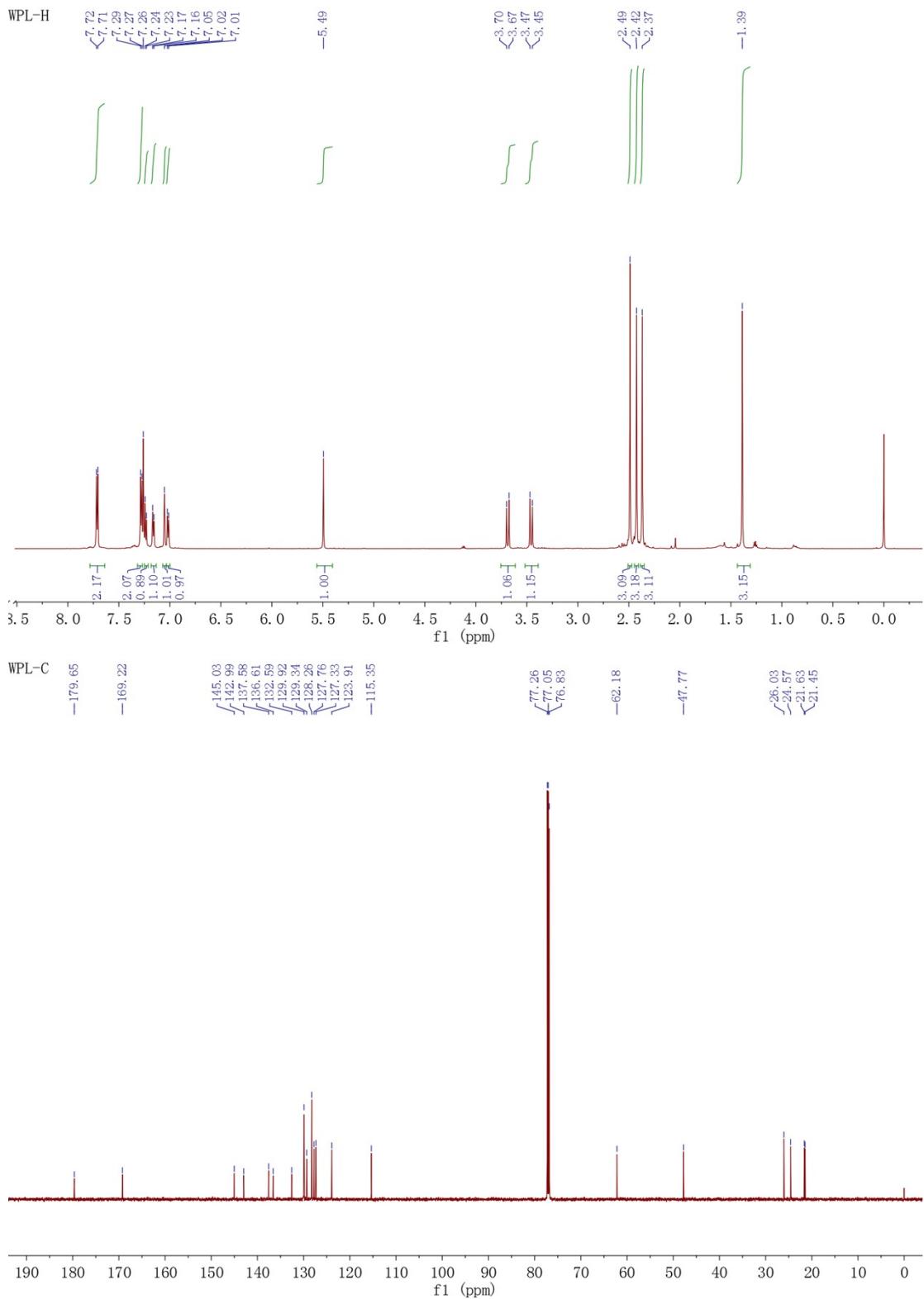
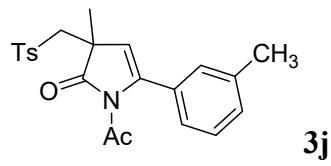


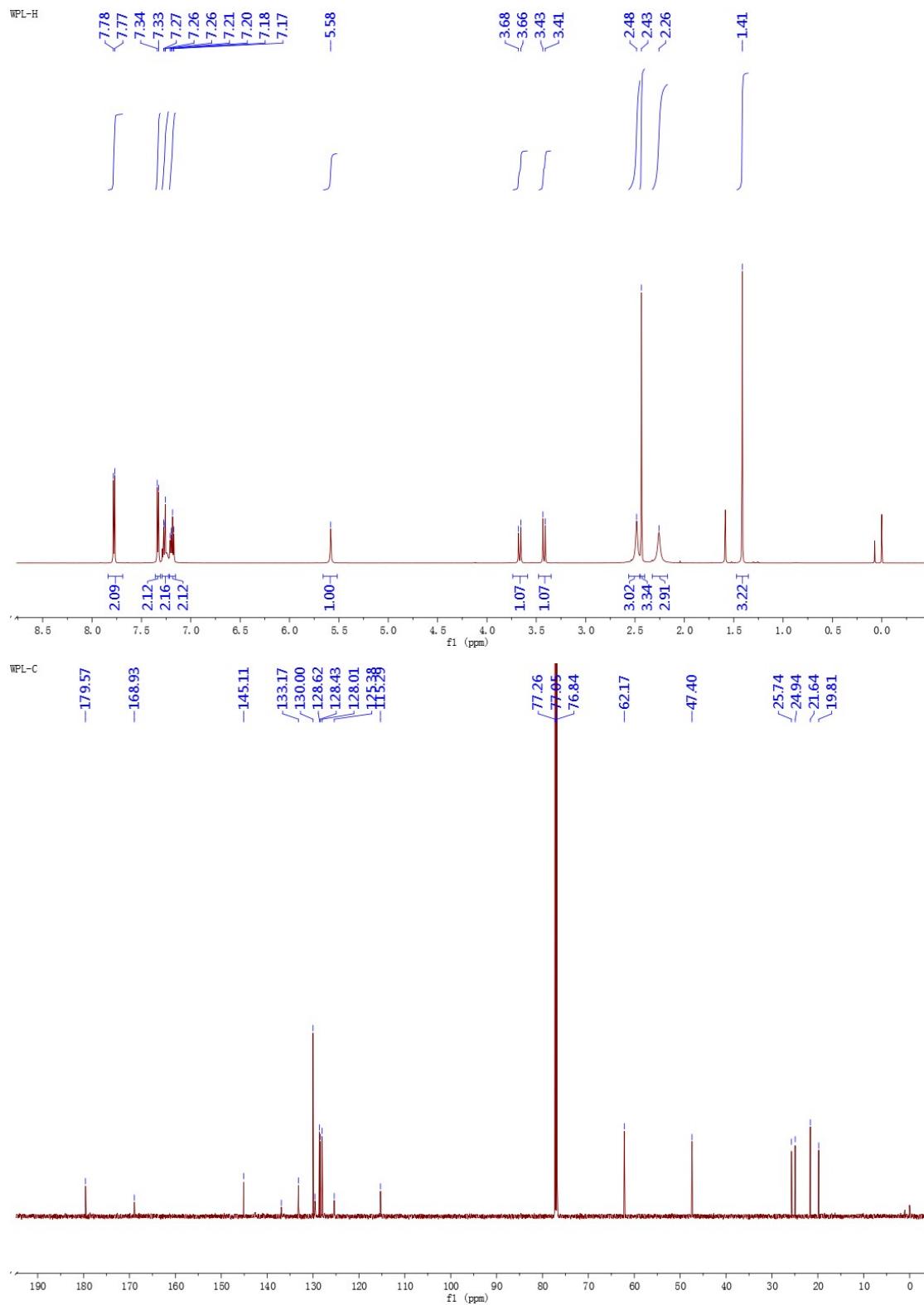
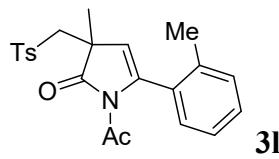


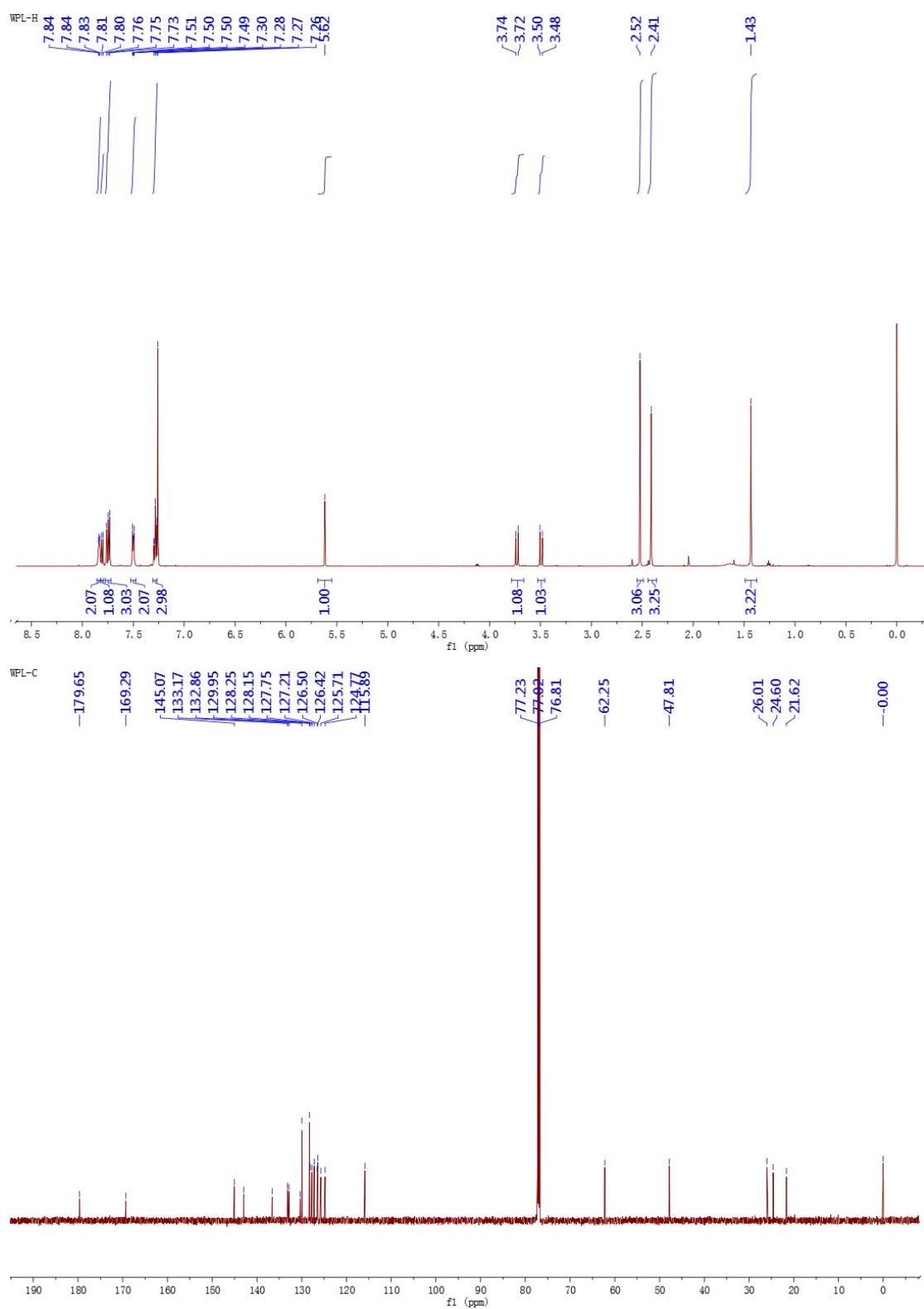
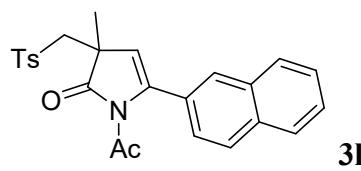


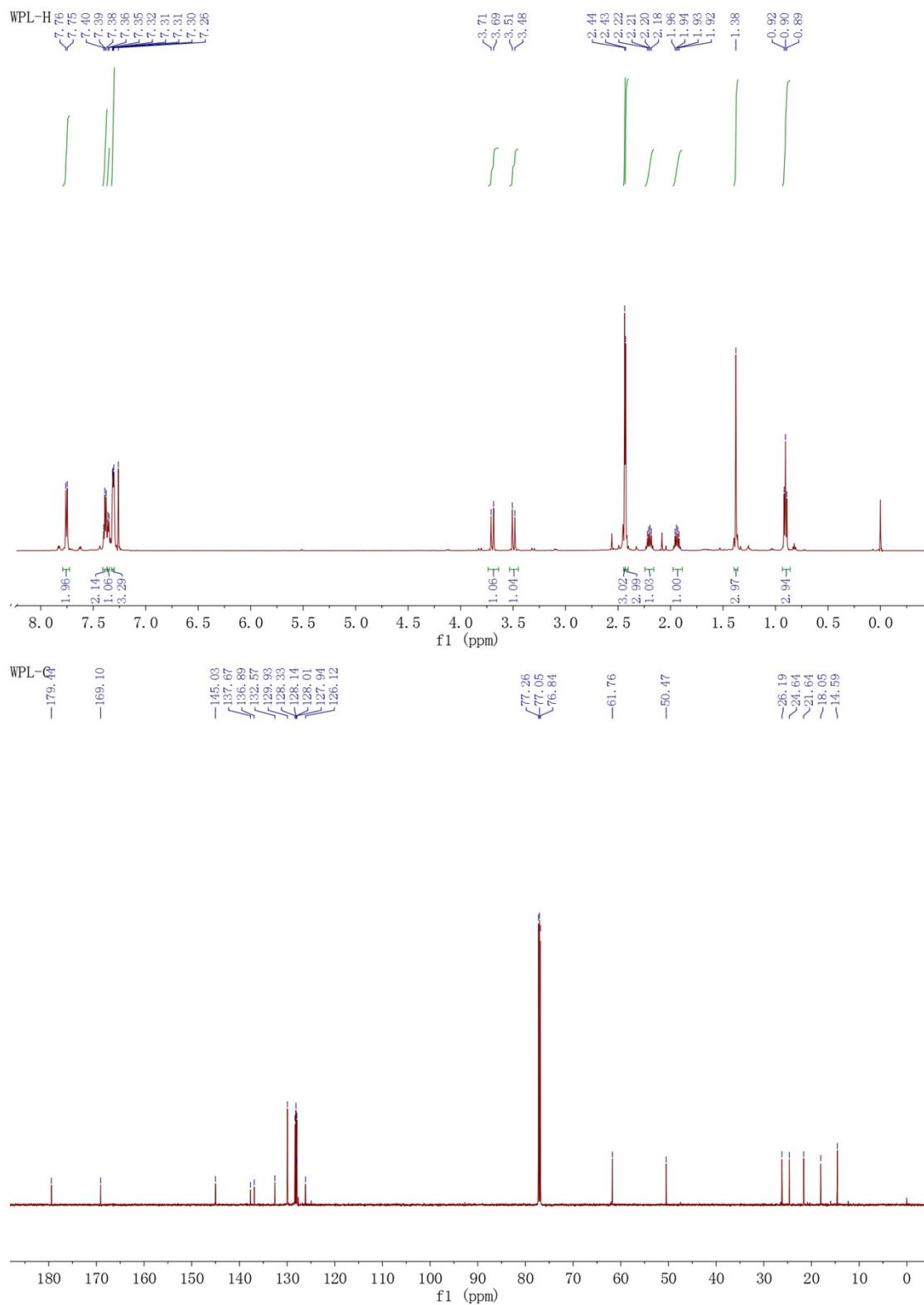
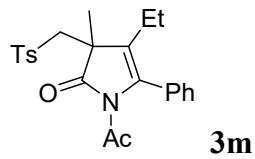


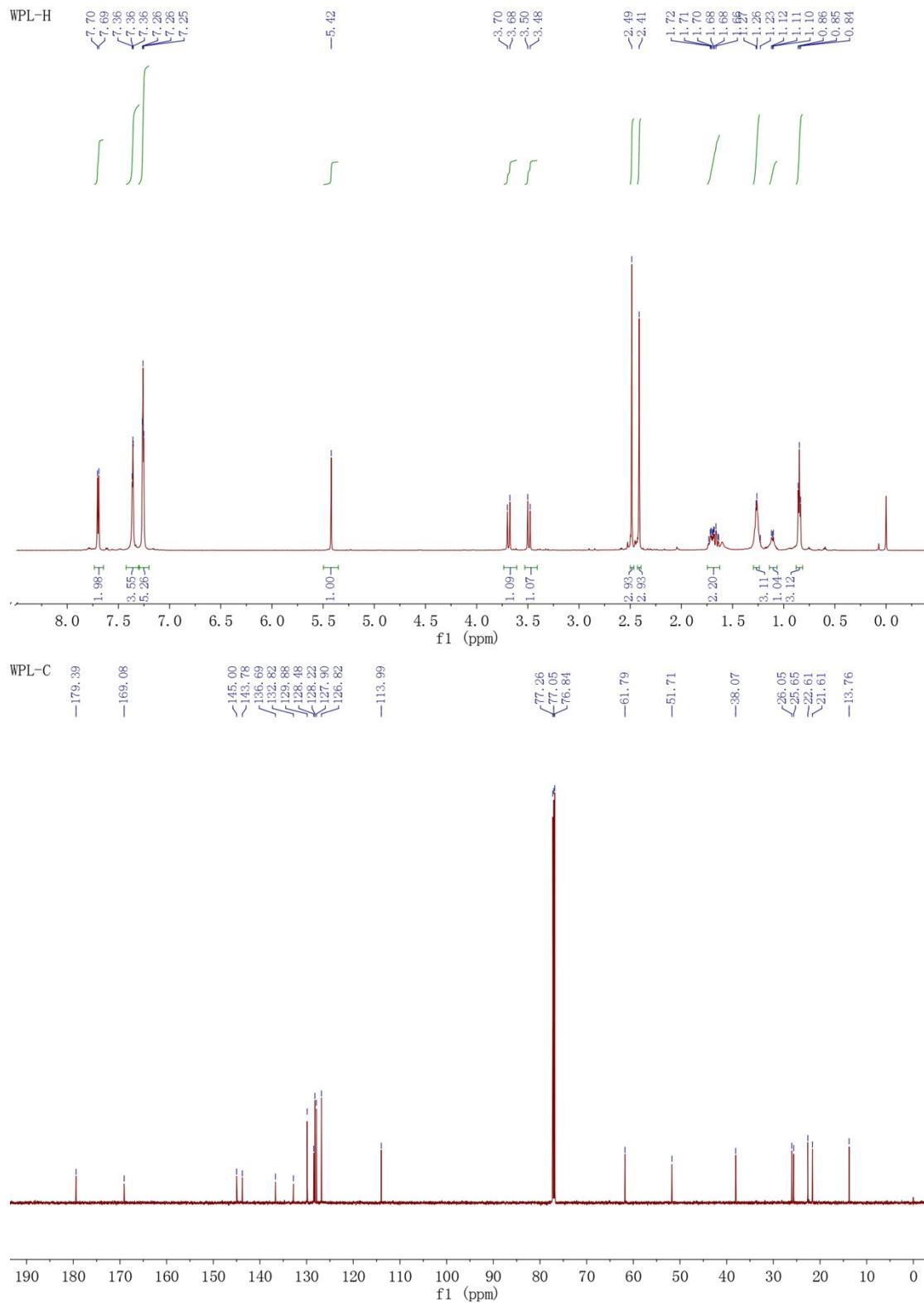
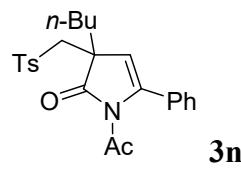


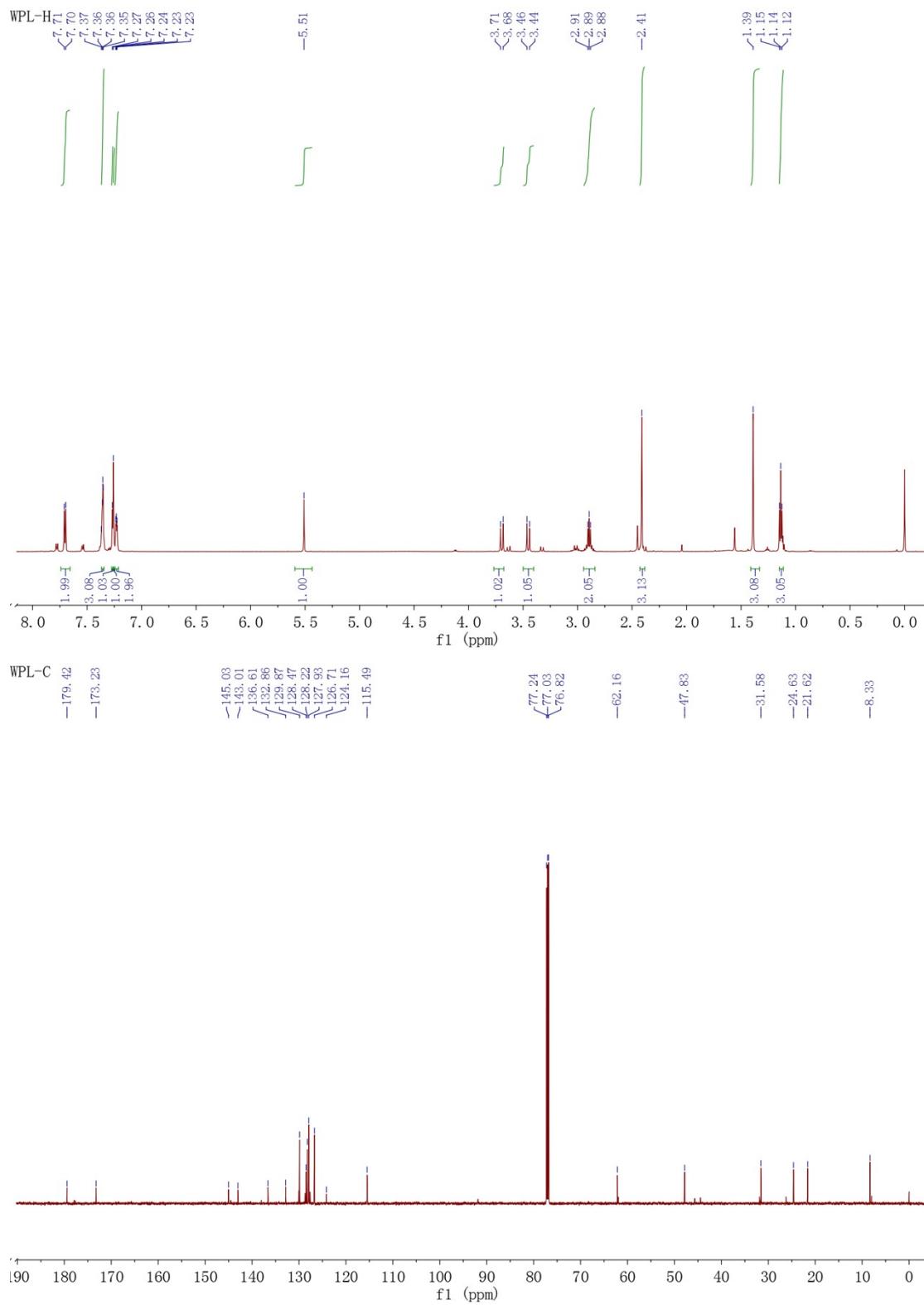
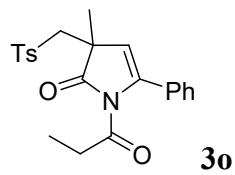


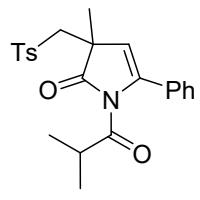




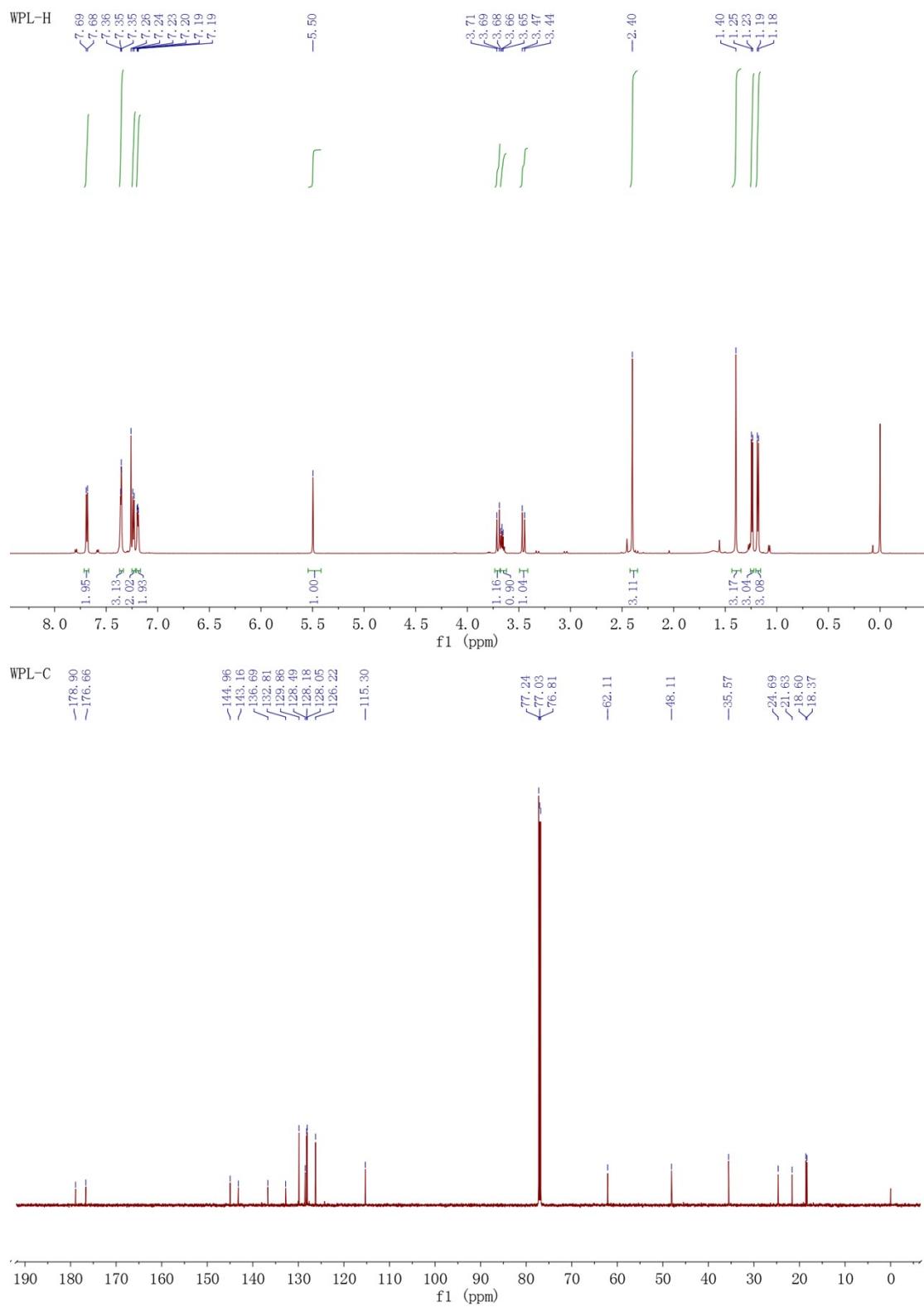


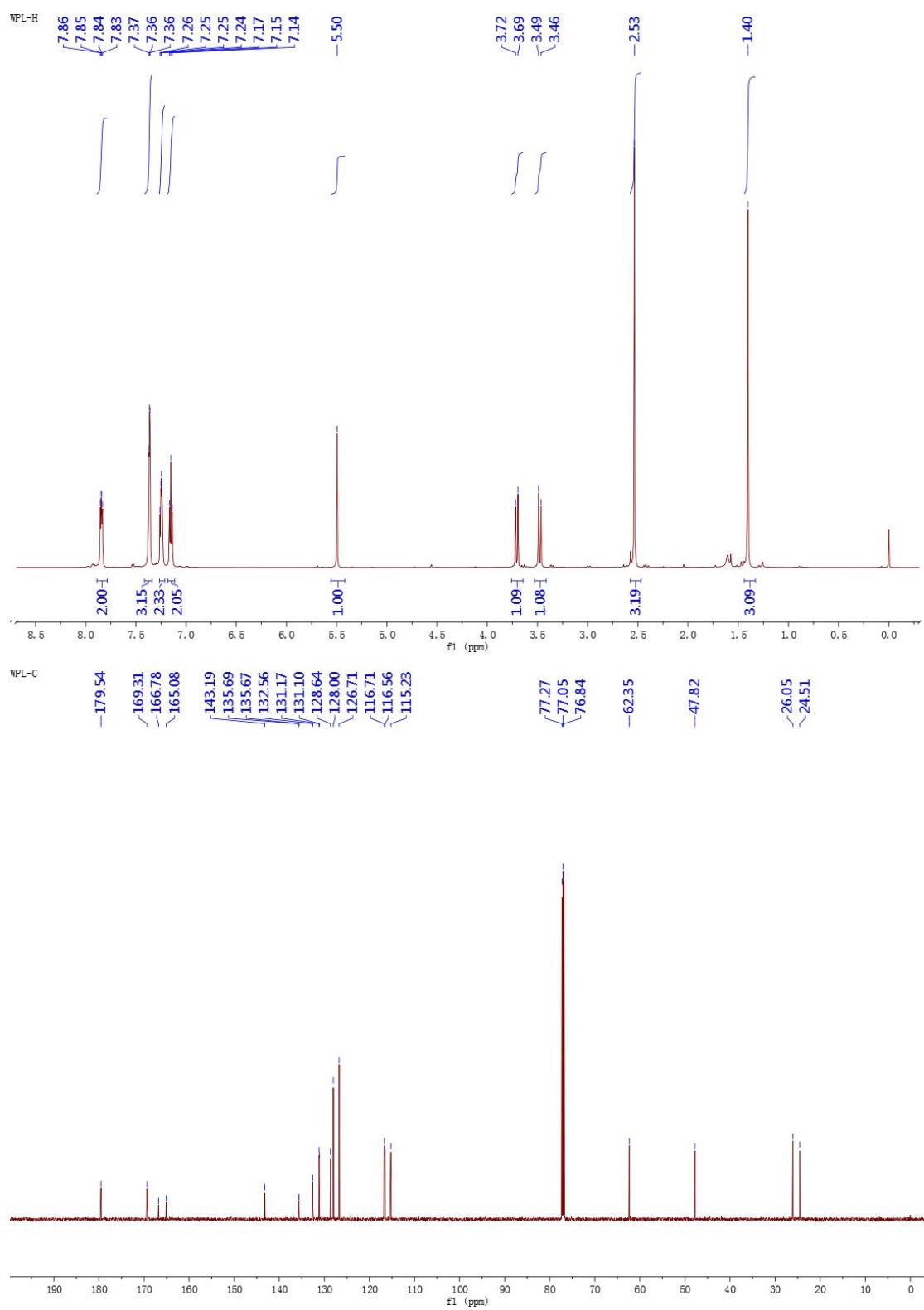
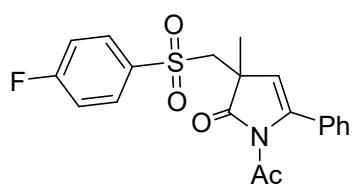


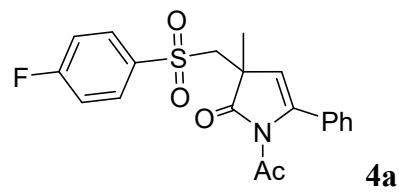




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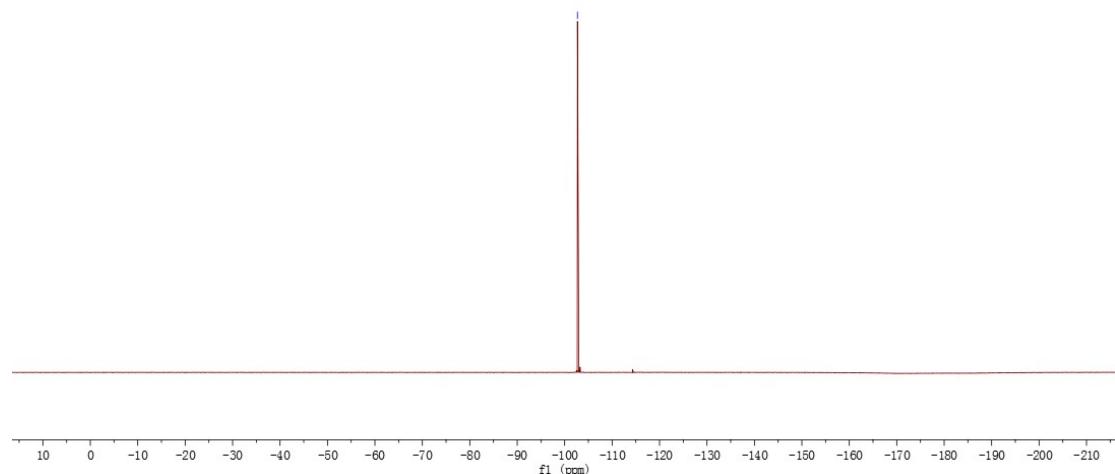


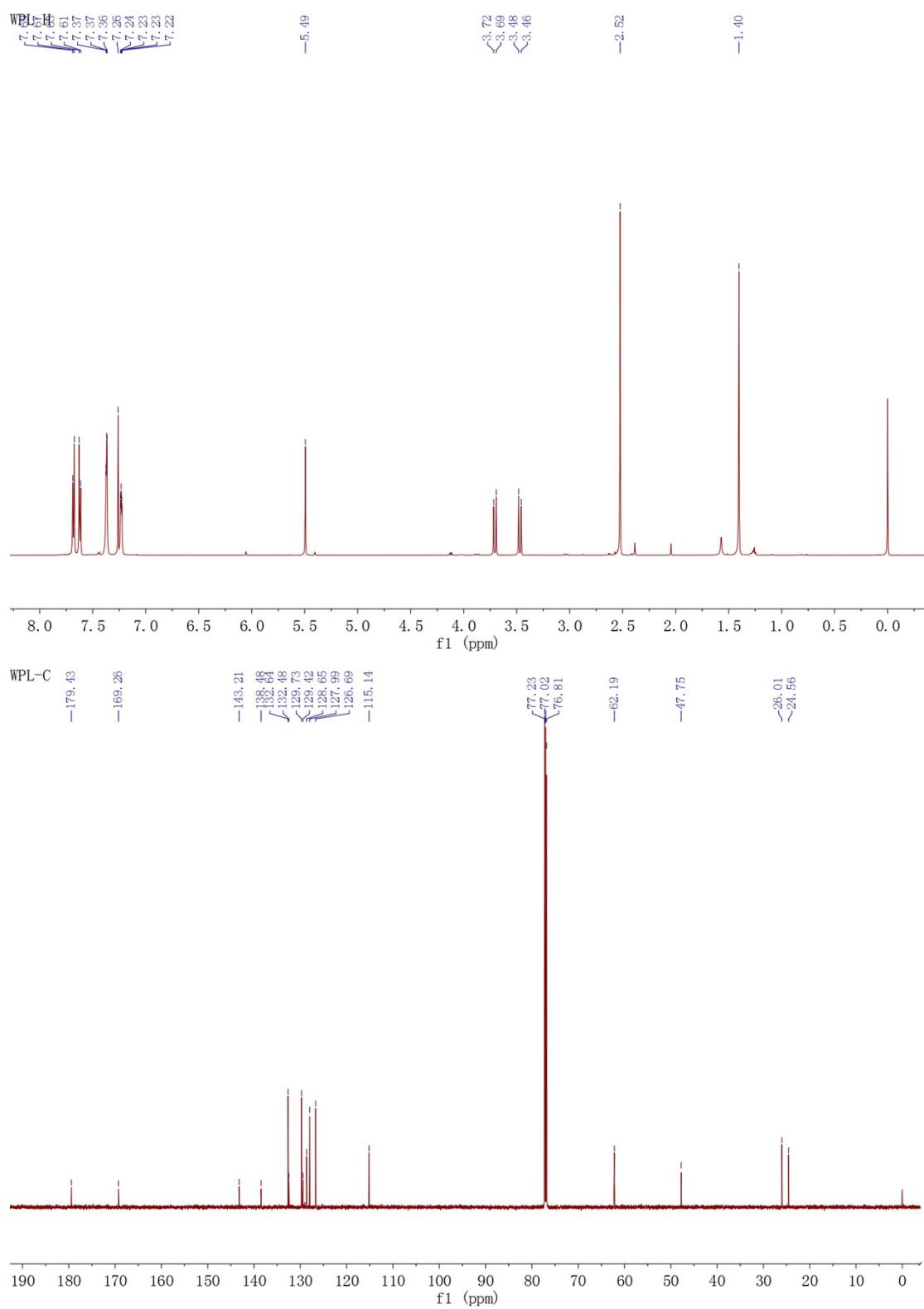
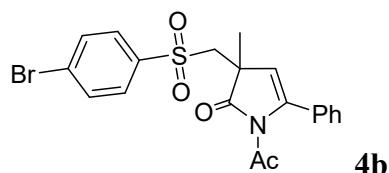


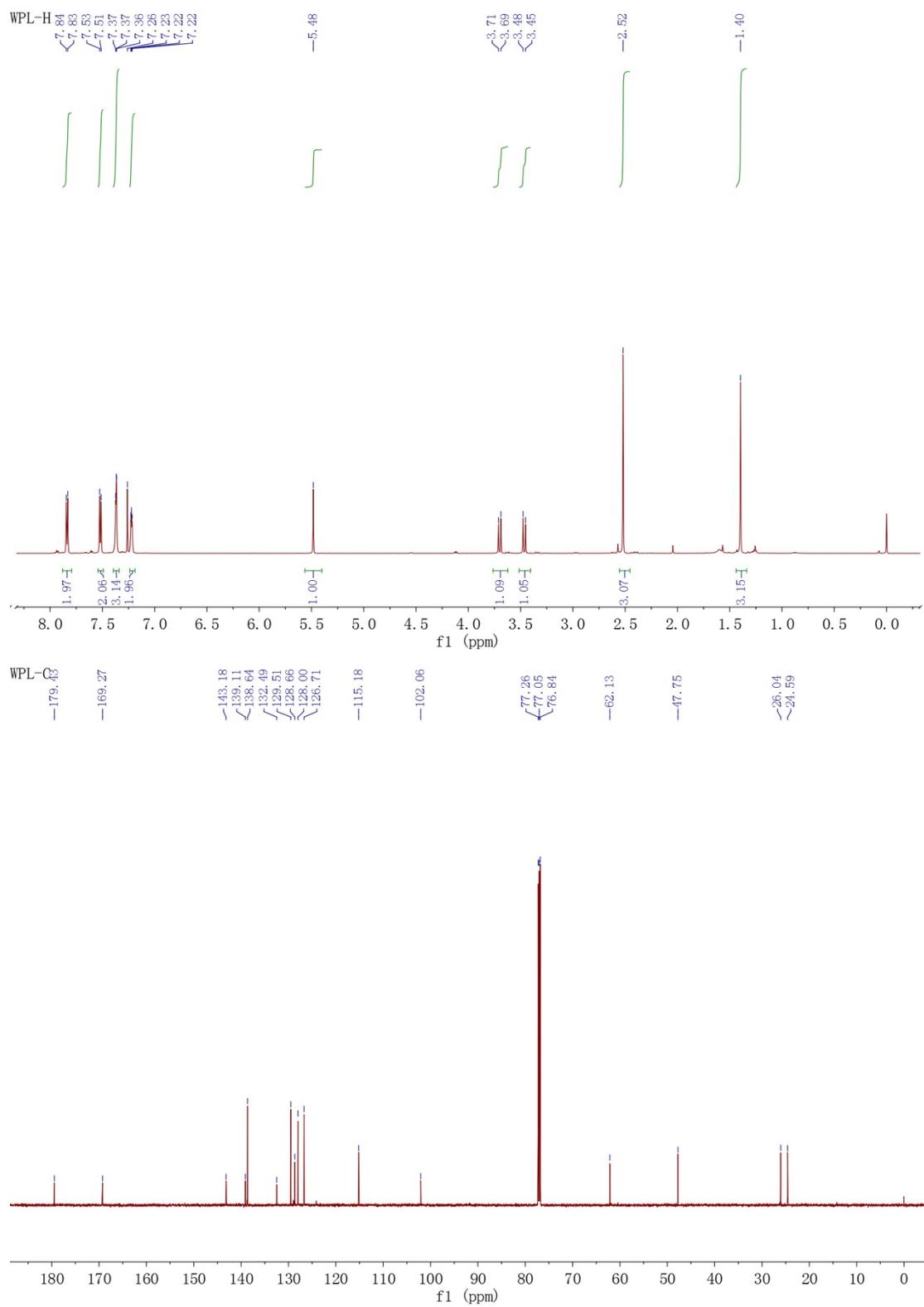
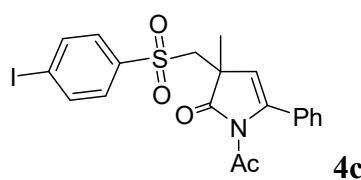


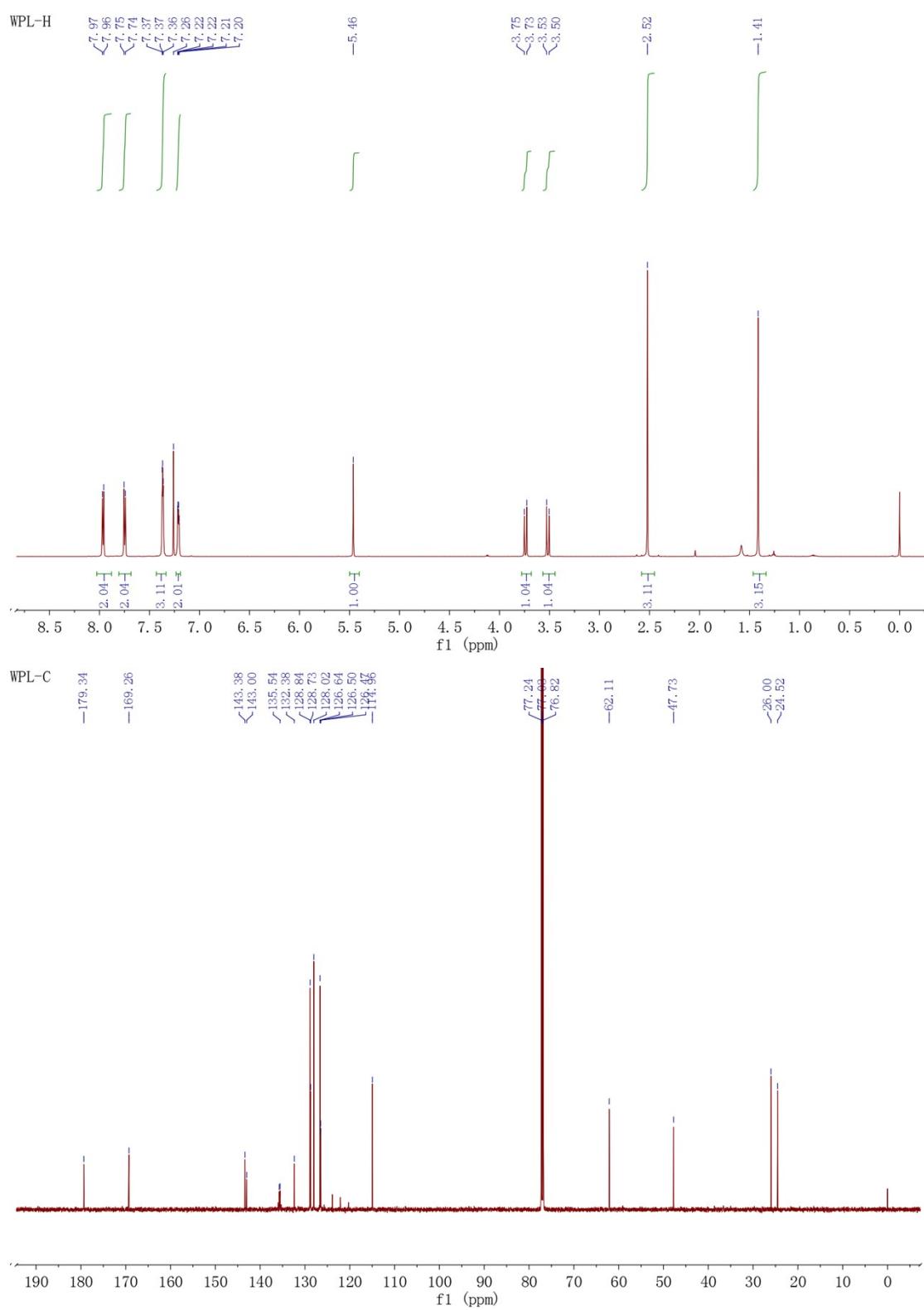
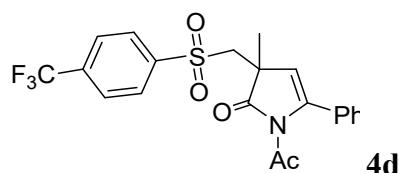
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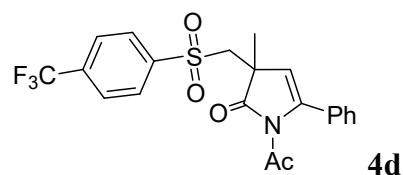
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