

Supplementary Information

Rh(I)-catalyzed site-selective hydroacylation of alkenyl-bearing allylic alcohols with non-chelating aldehydes controlled by in situ generated carbonyl group

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1. General Experiment Information

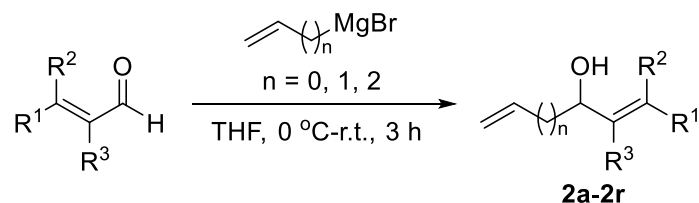
Unless specified otherwise, all the rhodium(I)-catalyzed reactions were carried out in the glove box (filled with N₂). All chemicals of commercial grade were directly used without further purification. Aldehydes and Grignard reagents were commercially available. Toluene was dried by silica gel column chromatography prior to use (200–300 mesh).

CDCl₃ was purchased from Innochem Reagents (Beijing). ¹H NMR spectra were recorded on the Bruker Ascend™ 400 with 400 MHz frequencies, and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded on the Bruker Ascend™ 400 with 100 MHz frequencies. Chemical shifts are given in ppm and coupling constants in Hertz (Hz), respectively. ¹H spectra were calibrated in relation to the reference measurement of TMS ($\delta_{\text{H}} = 0.000$ ppm) or the residual solvent signal of CDCl₃ ($\delta_{\text{H}} = 7.260$ ppm). ¹³C spectra were calibrated in relation to CDCl₃ ($\delta_{\text{C}} = 77.10$ ppm). The following abbreviations were used for ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR spectra to indicate the signal multiplicities: bs (broad singlet), s (singlet), d (doublet), t (triplet), q (quartet) and m (multiplets), together with combinations of them.

Organic solvents were concentrated under reduced pressure on a EYELA rotary evaporator (Japan). Analytical thin-layer chromatography (TLC) was performed on 0.25 mm commercial silica gel plates (purchased from Qingdao Haiyang Chemical, China, silica gel GF254), and the compounds were visualized with the UV light at 254 nm and 365 nm, respectively. Column chromatography was performed on silica gel 200–300 mesh (purchased from Qingdao Haiyang Chemical, China). High-resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were performed on an Agilent 6546 LC/Q-TOF.

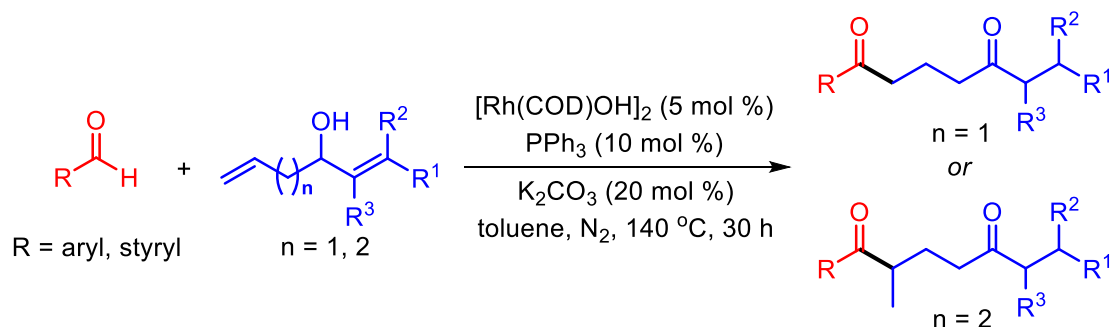
2. General Procedures

(1) General Procedure for the Preparation of Alkenyl-Substituted Allylic Alcohols (2a–2r)



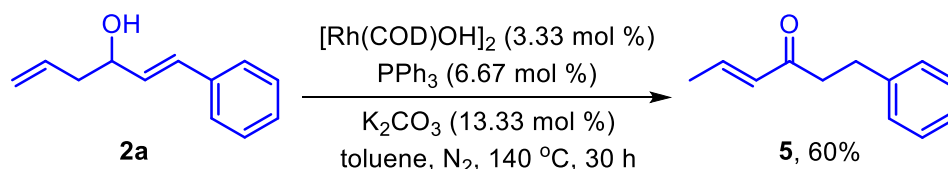
Alkenyl-substituted allylic alcohols (**2a–2r**) were prepared through the Grignard reaction according to the literature procedure.^[1]

(2) General Procedure for the Synthesis of 1,5-Diketones 3



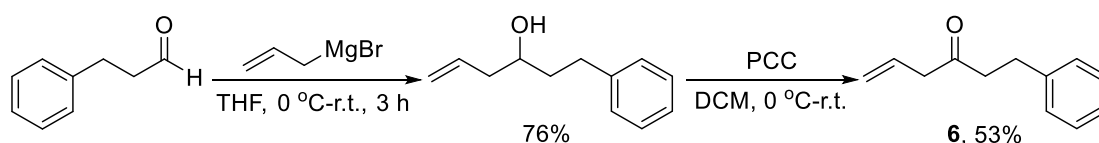
To an oven-dried sealed tube (10 mL) equipped with a stirrer bar in the glove box (filled with N₂) was added [Rh(COD)OH]₂ (4.6 mg, 0.01 mmol, 5 mol %), PPh₃ (5.2 mg, 0.02 mmol, 10 mol %), K₂CO₃ (5.5 mg, 0.04 mmol, 20 mol %), aldehyde **1** (0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), and alkenyl-substituted allylic alcohol **2** (0.3 mmol, 1.5 equiv). Then anhydrous toluene (1.0 mL, 0.2 M) was added. The tube was sealed and removed from the glove box. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 15 min, and then heated at 140 °C for 30 h using a Heidolph MR Hei-Tec heating magnetic stirrer (Heidolph Instruments, Germany). Upon completion, the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and concentrated. The residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (*n*-hexane/EtOAc) to afford the desired 1,5-dikeone **3**.

(3) Synthesis of (*E*)-1-phenylhex-4-en-3-one 5



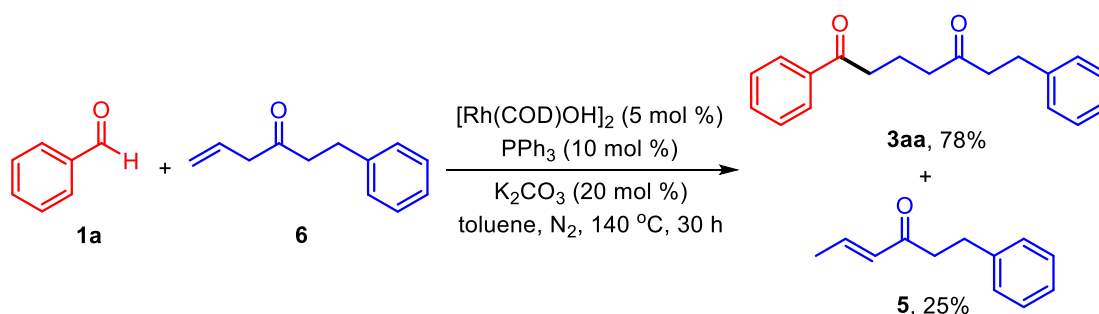
To an oven-dried sealed tube (10 mL) equipped with a stirrer bar in the glove box (filled with N_2) was added $[\text{Rh}(\text{COD})\text{OH}]_2$ (6.1 mg, 0.0133 mmol, 3.33 mol %), PPh_3 (7.0 mg, 0.0267 mmol, 6.67 mol %), K_2CO_3 (7.4 mg, 0.0533 mmol, 13.33 mol %), and (*E*)-1-phenylhexa-1,5-dien-3-ol **2a** (69.7 mg, 0.4 mmol, 1 equiv). Then anhydrous toluene (1.0 mL) was added. The tube was sealed and removed from the glove box. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 15 min, and then heated at 140 °C for 30 h using a Heidolph MR Hei-Tec heating magnetic stirrer (Heidolph Instruments, Germany). Upon completion, the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and concentrated. The residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (*n*-hexane/EtOAc = 300:1) to afford **5** as a light-yellow oil, 41.8 mg (60%).

(4) Preparation of 1-Phenylhex-5-en-3-one **6**



1-Phenylhex-5-en-3-one **6** was prepared through the Grignard reaction^[1] and PCC oxidation^[2] according to the literature procedure.

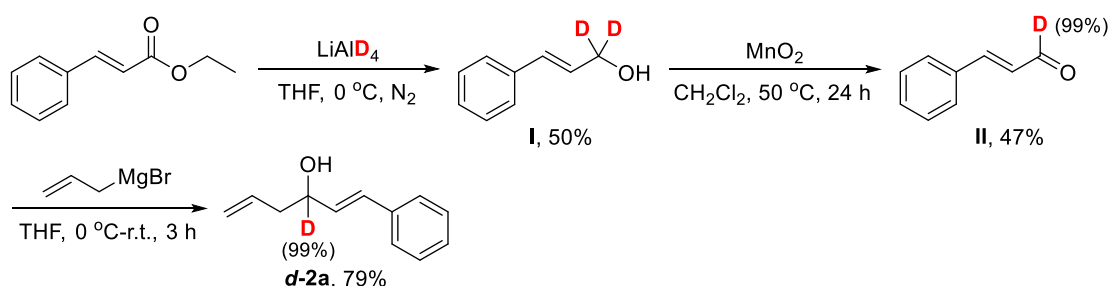
(5) Synthesis of **3aa** from 1-Phenylhex-5-en-3-one **6**



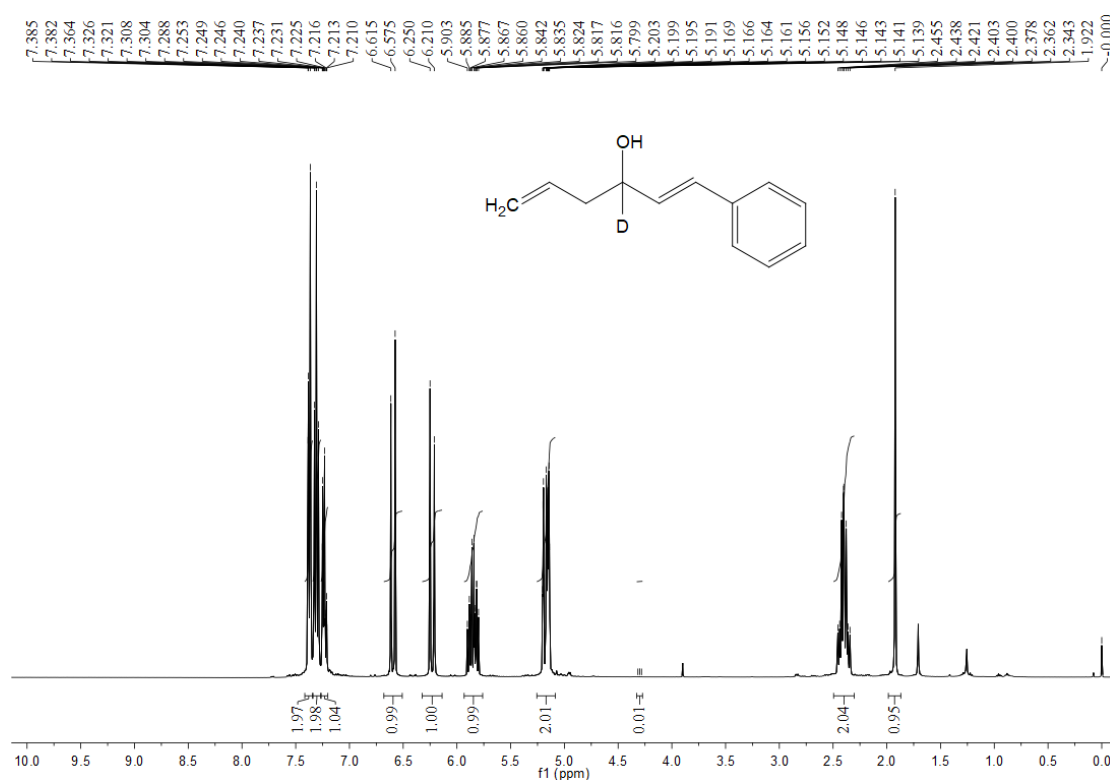
To an oven-dried sealed tube (10 mL) equipped with a stirrer bar in the glove box (filled with N_2) was added $[\text{Rh}(\text{COD})\text{OH}]_2$ (4.6 mg, 0.01 mmol, 5 mol %), PPh_3 (5.2 mg, 0.02 mmol, 10 mol %), K_2CO_3 (5.5 mg, 0.04 mmol, 20 mol %), benzaldehyde **1a**

(21.2 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), and 1-phenylhex-5-en-3-one **6** (52.3 mg, 0.3 mmol, 1.5 equiv). Then anhydrous toluene (1.0 mL, 0.2 M) was added. The tube was sealed and removed from the glove box. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 15 min, and then heated at 140 °C for 30 h using a Heidolph MR Hei-Tec heating magnetic stirrer (Heidolph Instruments, Germany). Upon completion, the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and concentrated. The residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (*n*-hexane/EtOAc = 200:1) to afford the desired 1,5-dikeone **3aa** (a light-yellow oil, 43.7 mg, 78%) and (*E*)-1-phenylhex-4-en-3-one **5** (a light-yellow oil, 13.0 mg, 25%).

(6) Preparation of (*E*)-1-Phenylhexa-1,5-dien-3-*d*-3-ol (**d-2a**)

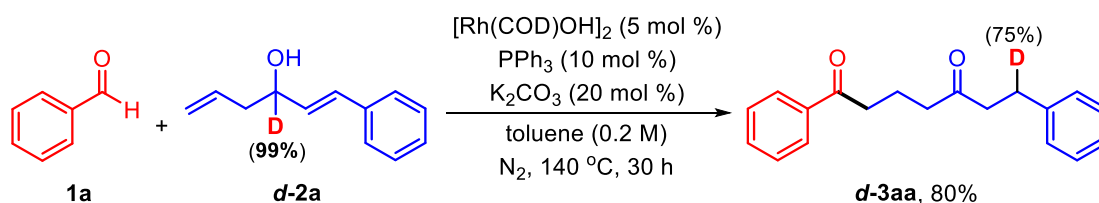


(*E*)-1-Phenylhexa-1,5-dien-3-*d*-3-ol (**d-2a**, 99% D-incorporation) was prepared from ethyl cinnamate through reduction with LiAlD_4 ,^[3] oxidation with MnO_2 ,^[4] and the Grignard reaction^[1] according to the literature procedure.



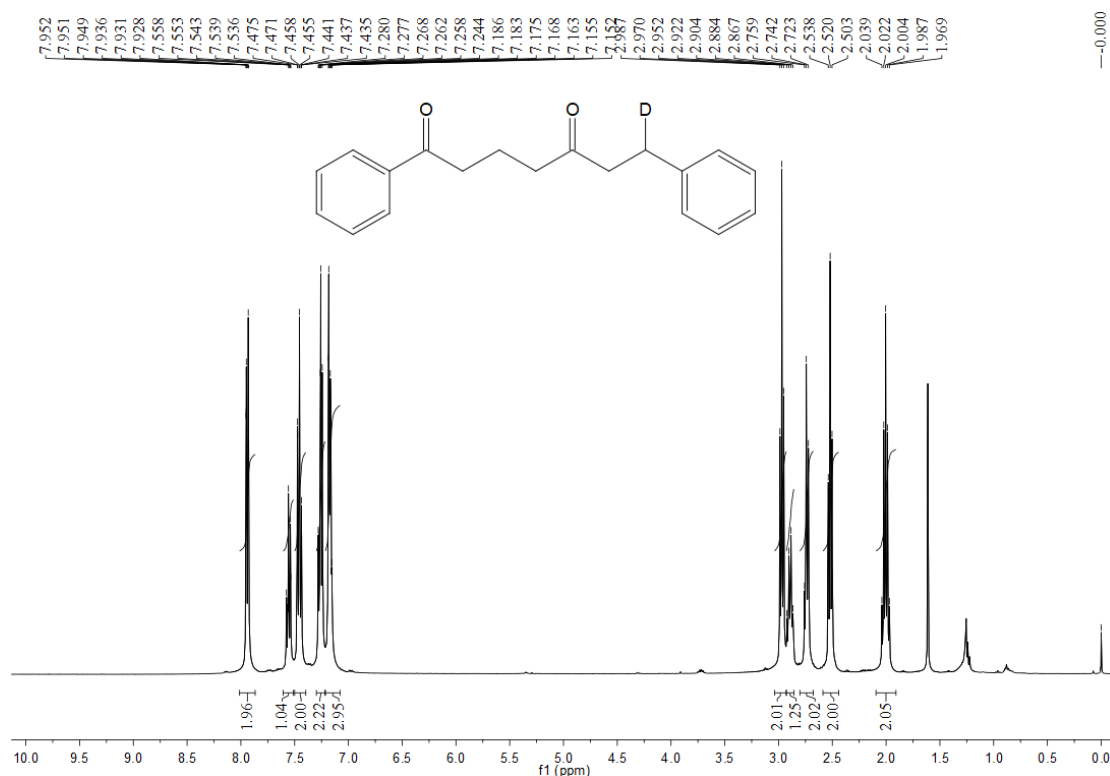
^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) of **d-2a**

(7) Isotopic Labelling Experiment: Synthesis of **d-3aa**



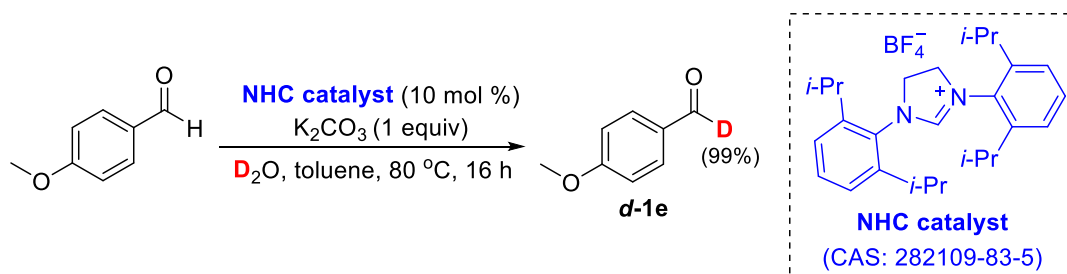
To an oven-dried sealed tube (10 mL) equipped with a stirrer bar in the glove box (filled with N_2) was added $[\text{Rh}(\text{COD})\text{OH}]_2$ (4.6 mg, 0.01 mmol, 5 mol %), PPh_3 (5.2 mg, 0.02 mmol, 10 mol %), K_2CO_3 (5.5 mg, 0.04 mmol, 20 mol %), benzaldehyde **1a** (21.2 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), and (*E*)-1-Phenylhexa-1,5-dien-3-*d*-3-ol **d-2a** (52.6 mg, 0.3 mmol, 1.5 equiv). Then anhydrous toluene (1.0 mL, 0.2 M) was added. The tube was sealed and removed from the glove box. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 15 min, and then heated at 140 °C for 30 h using a Heidolph MR Hei-Tec heating magnetic stirrer (Heidolph Instruments, Germany). Upon completion, the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and concentrated. The residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (*n*-hexane/EtOAc = 200:1) to

afford **d-3aa** as a colorless oil, 45.0 mg (80%), approximately 75% D-incorporation.



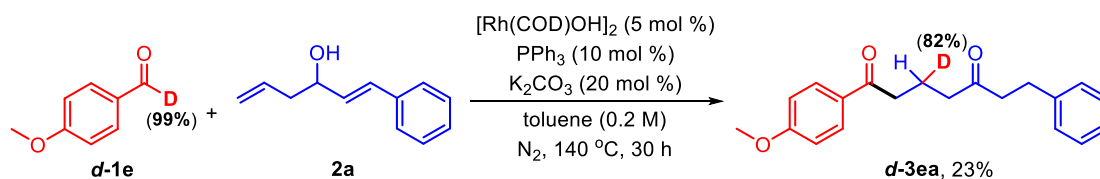
^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) of **d-3aa**

(8) Preparation of 4-Methoxybenzaldehyde- α - d_1 (**d-1e**)



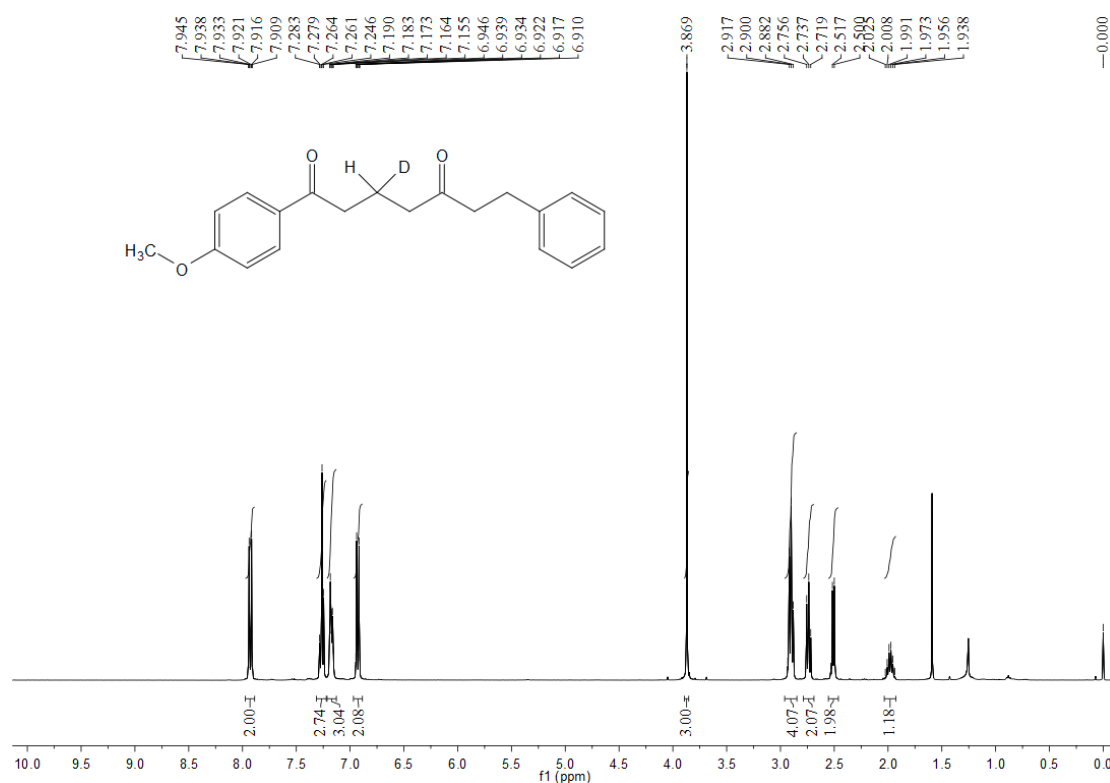
4-Methoxybenzaldehyde- α - d_1 (**d-1e**) was prepared according to the literature procedure with 99% D-incorporation.^[5]

(9) Isotopic Labelling Experiment: Synthesis of **d-3ea**



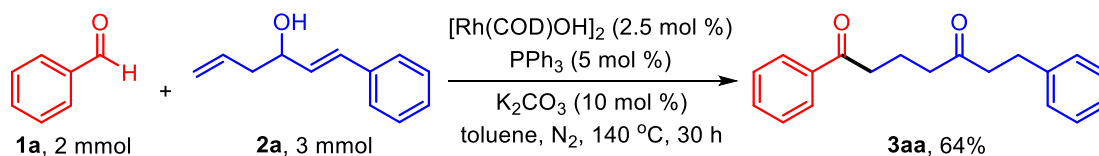
To an oven-dried sealed tube (10 mL) equipped with a stirrer bar in the glove box (filled with N_2) was added $[\text{Rh}(\text{COD})\text{OH}]_2$ (4.6 mg, 0.01 mmol, 5 mol %), PPh_3 (5.2

mg, 0.02 mmol, 10 mol %), K₂CO₃ (5.5 mg, 0.04 mmol, 20 mol %), 4-methoxybenzaldehyde- α -d₁ (**d-1e**, 0.2 mmol, 27.4 mg, 1.0 equiv), and (*E*)-1-phenylhexa-1,5-dien-3-ol (**2a**, 0.3 mmol, 52.3 mg, 1.5 equiv). Then anhydrous toluene (1.0 mL, 0.2 M) was added. The tube was sealed and removed from the glove box. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 15 min, and heated at 140 °C for 30 h. Upon completion, the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and concentrated. The residue was purified by silica gel chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc = 150:1) to afford the desired product **d-3ea** as a light-yellow oil, 14.3 mg (23%), approximately 82% D-incorporation.



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) of **d-3ea**

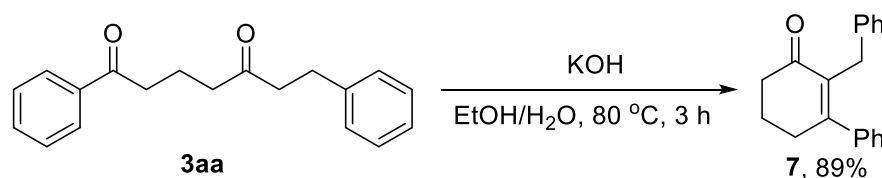
(10) Scale-Up Synthesis of **3aa**



To an oven-dried sealed tube (30 mL) equipped with a stirrer bar in the glove box (filled with N₂) was added [Rh(COD)OH]₂ (22.8 mg, 0.05 mmol, 2.5 mol %), PPh₃

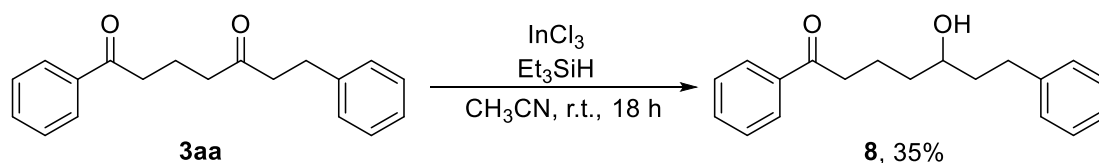
(26.2 mg, 0.1 mmol, 5 mol %), K₂CO₃ (27.6 mg, 0.2 mmol, 10 mol %), benzaldehyde **1a** (212.2 mg, 2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), and (*E*)-1-phenylhexa-1,5-dien-3-ol **2a** (522.7 mg, 3 mmol, 1.5 equiv). Then anhydrous toluene (10 mL, 0.2 M) was added. The tube was sealed and removed from the glove box. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 15 min, and then heated at 140 °C for 30 h using a Heidolph MR Hei-Tec heating magnetic stirrer (Heidolph Instruments, Germany). Upon completion, the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and concentrated. The residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (*n*-hexane/EtOAc = 200:1) to afford **3aa** as a light-yellow oil (358.9 mg, 64%).

(11) Synthesis of 2-Benzyl-5,6-dihydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-3(4*H*)-one (**7**)



2-Benzyl-5,6-dihydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-3(4*H*)-one (**7**) was prepared according to the literature procedure.^[6] To a solution of 1,7-diphenylheptane-1,5-dione (**3aa**, 56 mg, 0.2 mmol) in EtOH (0.5 mL) and H₂O (0.5 mL) was added KOH (22 mg, 0.4 mmol). The mixture was stirred at 80 °C for 3 h and then extracted three times with CH₂Cl₂. The combined organic phases were dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, and concentrated in vacuo. The residue was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc = 10:1) to give the target product **7** (46.7 mg, 89% yield) as colorless oil.

(12) Synthesis of 5-Hydroxy-1,7-diphenylheptan-1-one (**8**)

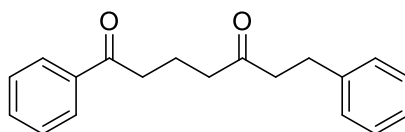


To a stirred solution of **3aa** (112.2 mg, 0.4 mmol, 1 equiv) and InCl₃ (44.2 mg, 0.2 mmol, 0.5 equiv) in dry acetonitrile (2 mL) was added Et₃SiH (186.0 mg, 1.6 mmol, 4 equiv). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 18 h. After completion of the reaction, water was added to the reaction mixture, which was

extracted with dichloromethane. The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried over anhydrous Na_2SO_4 , concentrated in vacuo, and purified by column chromatography on silica gel (*n*-hexane/EtOAc = 100:1) to afford the target product **8** (39.5 mg, 35% yield) as a colorless oil.

3. Characterization of Materials

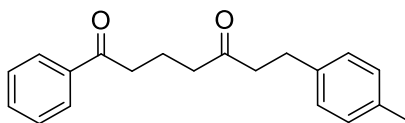
1,7-diphenylheptane-1,5-dione (3aa)



3aa

According to the General Procedure, the product **3aa** (a known compound^[6]) was obtained as a light-yellow oil after silica gel chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc = 200:1), 42.1 mg (75%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.93-7.95 (m, 2H), 7.54-7.58 (m, 1H), 7.44-7.48 (m, 2H), 7.25-7.28 (m, 2H), 7.15-7.18 (m, 3H), 2.97 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.90 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.74 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.52 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.97-2.04 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 209.8, 199.8, 141.0, 136.8, 133.2, 128.7, 128.5, 128.4, 128.1, 126.2, 44.3, 41.9, 37.4, 29.8, 18.2.

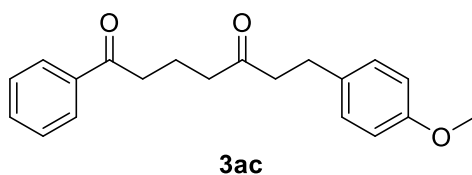
1-phenyl-7-(*p*-tolyl)heptane-1,5-dione (3ab)



3ab

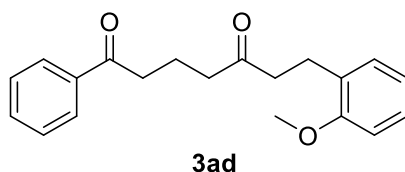
According to the General Procedure, the product **3ab** was obtained as a light-yellow oil after silica gel chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc = 150:1), 40.6 mg (69%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.93-7.95 (m, 2H), 7.54-7.58 (m, 1H), 7.44-7.48 (m, 2H), 7.02-7.09 (m, 4H), 2.96 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.86 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.72 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.52 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.29 (s, 3H), 1.96-2.03 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 209.9, 199.8, 137.9, 136.8, 135.7, 133.1, 129.2, 128.7, 128.2, 128.1, 44.4, 41.9, 37.5, 29.5, 21.0, 18.2; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₀H₂₃O₂ [M+H]⁺ (295.1698), found 295.1697.

7-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1-phenylheptane-1,5-dione (3ac)



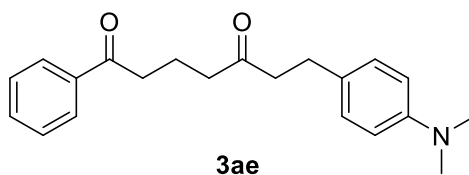
According to the General Procedure, the product **3ac** was obtained as a yellow oil after silica gel chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc = 150:1), 45.9 mg (74%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.92-7.95 (m, 2H), 7.53-7.57 (m, 1H), 7.43-7.47 (m, 2H), 7.08-7.11 (m, 2H), 6.78-6.82 (m, 2H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 2.96 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.84 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.70 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.51 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 1.96-2.03 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 209.9, 199.8, 158.0, 136.8, 133.1, 133.0, 129.3, 128.6, 128.1, 113.9, 55.3, 44.5, 41.9, 37.4, 29.0, 18.2; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₀H₂₃O₃ [M+H]⁺ (311.1647), found 311.1644.

7-(2-methoxyphenyl)-1-phenylheptane-1,5-dione (**3ad**)



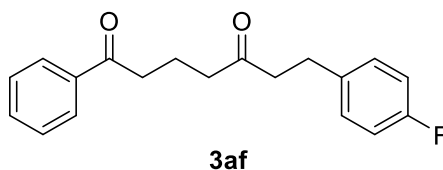
According to the General Procedure, the product **3ad** was obtained as a colorless oil after silica gel chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc = 80:1), 18.6 mg (30%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.96 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.55-7.58 (m, 1H), 7.45-7.48 (m, 2H), 7.16-7.19 (m, 1H), 7.13 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.82-6.88 (m, 2H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 2.99 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.88 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.71 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.53 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.97-2.04 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 210.5, 199.9, 157.5, 136.8, 133.2, 130.1, 129.3, 128.7, 128.1, 127.5, 120.5, 110.2, 55.2, 42.7, 41.8, 37.6, 25.2, 18.3; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₀H₂₃O₃ [M+H]⁺ (311.1647), found 311.1646.

7-(4-(dimethylamino)phenyl)-1-phenylheptane-1,5-dione (**3ae**)



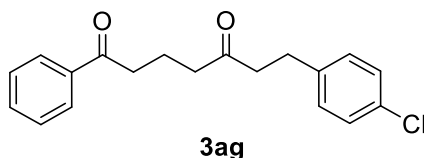
According to the General Procedure, the product **3ae** was obtained as a yellow oil after silica gel chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc = 100:1), 40.8 mg (63%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.94-7.96 (m, 2H), 7.54-7.58 (m, 1H), 7.44-7.48 (m, 2H), 7.05 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.67 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 2.97 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.89 (s, 6H), 2.81 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.69 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.52 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.96-2.03 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 210.4, 199.9, 149.3, 136.9, 133.1, 129.0, 128.7, 128.1, 113.1, 44.8, 42.0, 40.9, 37.5, 29.0, 18.2; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₁H₂₆NO₂ [M+H]⁺ (324.1964), found 324.1968.

7-(4-fluorophenyl)-1-phenylheptane-1,5-dione (**3af**)



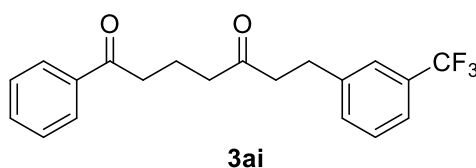
According to the General Procedure, the product **3af** was obtained as a light-yellow oil after silica gel chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc = 150:1), 40.6 mg (68%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.93-7.95 (m, 2H), 7.54-7.59 (m, 1H), 7.44-7.48 (m, 2H), 7.11-7.15 (m, 2H), 6.91-6.97 (m, 2H), 2.98 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.87 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.72 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.52 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.97-2.04 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 209.6, 199.8, 161.4 (d, *J* = 242.4 Hz), 136.8, 136.7 (d, *J* = 3.4 Hz), 133.2, 129.8 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz), 128.7, 128.1, 115.3 (d, *J* = 21.0 Hz), 44.3, 42.0, 37.4, 29.0, 18.2; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₁₉H₂₀FO₂ [M+H]⁺ (299.1447), found 299.1441.

7-(4-chlorophenyl)-1-phenylheptane-1,5-dione (**3ag**)



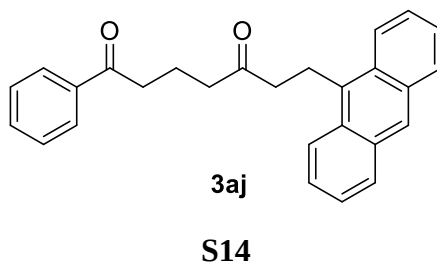
According to the General Procedure, the product **3ag** was obtained as a yellow oil after silica gel chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc = 150:1), 47.2 mg (75%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.93-7.95 (m, 2H), 7.54-7.59 (m, 1H), 7.44-7.48 (m, 2H), 7.21-7.24 (m, 2H), 7.10-7.12 (m, 2H), 2.98 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.87 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.72 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.52 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.97-2.04 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 209.4, 199.7, 139.5, 136.8, 133.2, 131.9, 129.8, 128.7, 128.6, 128.1, 44.0, 41.9, 37.4, 29.1, 18.2; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₁₉H₂₀ClO₂ [M+H]⁺ (315.1152), found 315.1152.

1-phenyl-7-(3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)heptane-1,5-dione (**3ai**)



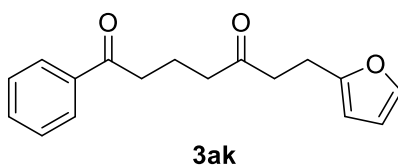
According to the General Procedure, the product **3ai** was obtained as a light-yellow oil after silica gel chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc = 150:1), 52.5 mg (75%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.93-7.95 (m, 2H), 7.54-7.58 (m, 1H), 7.44-7.48 (m, 4H), 7.36-7.38 (m, 2H), 2.94-3.00 (m, 4H), 2.77 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.54 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.98-2.05 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 209.1, 199.7, 142.0, 136.8, 133.2, 131.9, 130.8 (q, *J* = 31.8 Hz), 129.0, 128.7, 128.1, 125.1 (q, *J* = 3.7 Hz), 124.2 (q, *J* = 270.5 Hz), 123.1 (q, *J* = 3.7 Hz), 43.8, 41.9, 37.4, 29.4, 18.2; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₀H₂₀F₃O₂ [M+H]⁺ (349.1415), found 349.1418.

7-(anthracen-9-yl)-1-phenylheptane-1,5-dione (**3aj**)



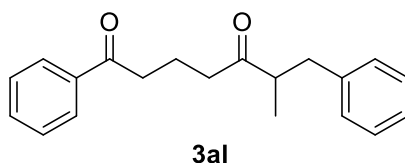
According to the General Procedure, the product **3aj** was obtained as a yellow oil after silica gel chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc = 100:1), 60.9 mg (80%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.33 (s, 1H), 8.19-8.22 (m, 2H), 7.97-8.00 (m, 2H), 7.92-7.95 (m, 2H), 7.43-7.57 (m, 7H), 3.88-3.92 (m, 2H), 2.98 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.86-2.90 (m, 2H), 2.52 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.00-2.07 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 209.9, 199.7, 136.8, 133.1, 131.6, 129.5, 129.4, 128.7, 128.1, 126.2, 125.9, 125.0, 124.0, 43.6, 42.0, 37.5, 21.8, 18.3; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₇H₂₅O₂ [M+H]⁺ (381.1855), found 381.1850.

7-(furan-2-yl)-1-phenylheptane-1,5-dione (**3ak**)



According to the General Procedure, the product **3ak** was obtained as a light-yellow oil after silica gel chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc = 150:1), 40.0 mg (74%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.94-7.96 (m, 2H), 7.55-7.58 (m, 1H), 7.44-7.48 (m, 2H), 7.27 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.25 (dd, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 5.98 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 3.00 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.93 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.77 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.56 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.99-2.06 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 209.2, 199.8, 154.6, 141.2, 136.8, 133.2, 128.7, 128.1, 110.3, 105.3, 41.8, 40.8, 37.5, 22.3, 18.2; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₁₇H₁₉O₃ [M+H]⁺ (271.1334), found 271.1329.

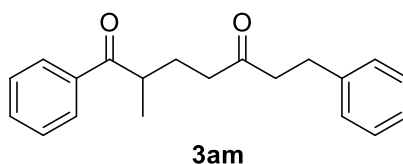
6-methyl-1,7-diphenylheptane-1,5-dione (**3al**)



According to the General Procedure, the product **3al** was obtained as a light-yellow oil after silica gel chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc = 150:1), 28.8 mg (49%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.91-7.93 (m, 2H), 7.54-7.58 (m, 1H), 7.44-7.47 (m, 2H),

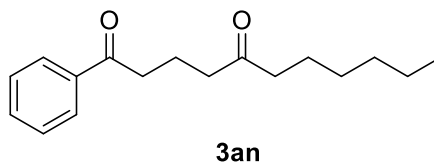
7.22-7.26 (m, 2H), 7.12-7.17 (m, 3H), 2.80-2.99 (m, 4H), 2.51-2.61 (m, 2H), 2.37 (dt, $J = 17.6$ Hz, 6.8 Hz, 1H), 1.90-1.97 (m, 2H), 1.09 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 214.0, 199.9, 139.7, 136.8, 133.1, 129.0, 128.6, 128.5, 128.1, 126.3, 48.1, 41.0, 39.3, 37.4, 18.0, 16.7; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{23}\text{O}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ (295.1698), found 295.1697.

2-methyl-1,7-diphenylheptane-1,5-dione (**3am**)



According to the General Procedure, the product **3am** was obtained as a light-yellow oil after silica gel chromatography (n -hexane/EtOAc = 150:1), 30.0 mg (51%). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.94-7.97 (m, 2H), 7.55-7.79 (m, 1H), 7.45-7.49 (m, 2H), 7.24-7.27 (m, 2H), 7.14-7.19 (m, 3H), 3.48-3.57 (m, 1H), 2.87 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 2.62-2.75 (m, 2H), 2.44-2.52 (m, 1H), 2.31-2.39 (m, 1H), 2.03-2.12 (m, 1H), 1.70-1.78 (m, 1H), 1.17 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 209.7, 203.9, 141.0, 136.4, 133.2, 128.8, 128.6, 128.41, 128.35, 126.2, 44.3, 40.2, 39.5, 29.8, 27.1, 17.6; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{23}\text{O}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ (295.1698), found 295.1699.

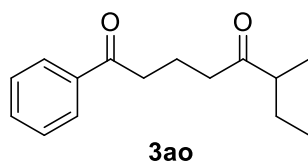
1-phenylundecane-1,5-dione (**3an**)



According to the General Procedure, the product **3an** (a known compound^[7]) was obtained as a light-yellow oil after silica gel chromatography (n -hexane/EtOAc = 200:1), 34.9 mg (67%). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.95-7.98 (m, 2H), 7.54-7.58 (m, 1H), 7.44-7.48 (m, 2H), 3.01 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 2.54 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 2.40 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 1.98-2.05 (m, 2H), 1.53-1.60 (m, 2H), 1.24-1.32 (m, 6H), 0.87 (t, $J =$

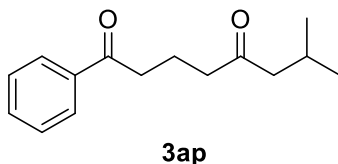
7.2 Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 211.1, 199.9, 136.9, 133.1, 128.7, 128.1, 43.0, 41.6, 37.6, 31.7, 29.0, 23.9, 22.5, 18.3, 14.1.

6-methyl-1-phenyloctane-1,5-dione (**3ao**)



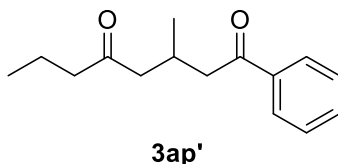
According to the General Procedure, the product **3ao** (a known compound^[6]) was obtained as a colorless oil after silica gel chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc = 150:1), 16.7 mg (36%). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.95-7.98 (m, 2H), 7.54-7.58 (m, 1H), 7.44-7.48 (m, 2H), 3.01 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.56-2.60 (m, 2H), 2.41-2.50 (m, 1H), 1.98-2.05 (m, 2H), 1.63-1.73 (m, 1H), 1.33-1.44 (m, 1H), 1.06 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 0.87 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 214.6, 200.0, 136.9, 133.1, 128.7, 128.1, 48.0, 40.1, 37.6, 26.0, 18.3, 16.0, 11.8.

7-methyl-1-phenyloctane-1,5-dione (**3ap**)



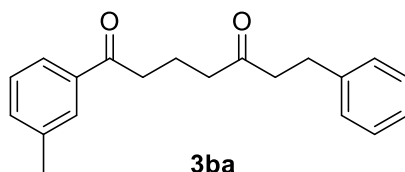
According to the General Procedure, the product **3ap** was obtained as a colorless oil after silica gel chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc = 150:1), 19.5 mg (42%). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.95-7.99 (m, 2H), 7.52-7.58 (m, 1H), 7.44-7.48 (m, 2H), 3.02 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.52 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.29 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.09-2.19 (m, 1H), 1.98-2.05 (m, 2H), 0.91 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 6H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 210.7, 199.9, 136.9, 133.2, 128.7, 128.1, 52.0, 42.3, 37.6, 24.7, 22.7, 18.3; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{21}\text{O}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ (233.1542), found 233.1531.

3-methyl-1-phenyloctane-1,5-dione (**3ap'**)



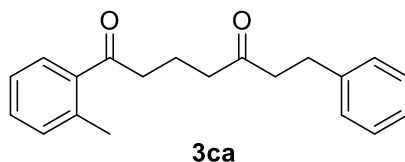
According to the General Procedure, the product **3ap'** (a known compound^[6]) was obtained as a colorless oil after silica gel chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc = 150:1), 9.8 mg (21%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.97-8.00 (m, 2H), 7.54-7.58 (m, 1H), 7.45-7.49 (m, 2H), 3.06 (dd, *J* = 15.6 Hz, 6.0 Hz, 1H), 2.79 (dd, *J* = 15.6 Hz, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 2.64-2.73 (m, 1H), 2.54 (dd, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 6.0 Hz, 1H), 2.35-2.41 (m, 3H), 1.56-1.65 (m, 2H), 1.01 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 3H), 0.92 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 210.7, 199.8, 137.1, 133.1, 128.7, 128.3, 49.5, 45.23, 45.18, 26.2, 20.3, 17.3, 13.8.

7-phenyl-1-(*m*-tolyl)heptane-1,5-dione (**3ba**)



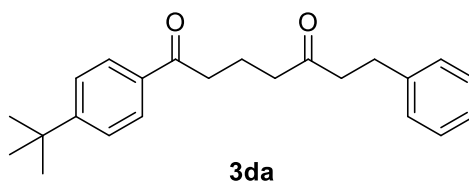
According to the General Procedure, the product **3ba** was obtained as a colorless oil after silica gel chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc = 150:1), 40.0 mg (68%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.72-7.75 (m, 2H), 7.32-7.38 (m, 2H), 7.25-7.28 (m, 2H), 7.15-7.18 (m, 3H), 2.96 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.90 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.74 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.52 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.41 (s, 3H), 1.96-2.03 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 209.8, 200.0, 141.1, 138.4, 136.9, 133.9, 128.62, 128.55, 128.4, 126.2, 125.3, 44.3, 42.0, 37.5, 29.9, 21.4, 18.2; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₀H₂₃O₂ [M+H]⁺ (295.1698), found 295.1702.

7-phenyl-1-(*o*-tolyl)heptane-1,5-dione (**3ca**)



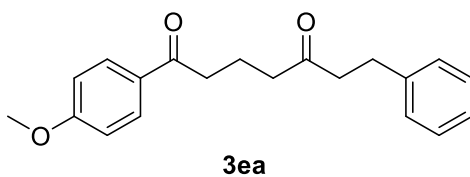
According to the General Procedure, the product **3ca** was obtained as a light-yellow oil after silica gel chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc = 150:1), 31.8 mg (54%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.61 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.34-7.38 (m, 1H), 7.23-7.28 (m, 4H), 7.16-7.19 (m, 3H), 2.87-2.92 (m, 4H), 2.74 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.50 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.48 (s, 3H), 1.94-2.01 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 209.7, 203.8, 141.1, 138.1, 137.8, 132.0, 131.4, 128.57, 128.55, 128.4, 126.2, 125.8, 44.3, 42.0, 40.3, 29.8, 21.4, 18.4; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₀H₂₃O₂ [M+H]⁺ (295.1698), found 295.1701.

1-(4-(*tert*-butyl)phenyl)-7-phenylheptane-1,5-dione (**3da**)



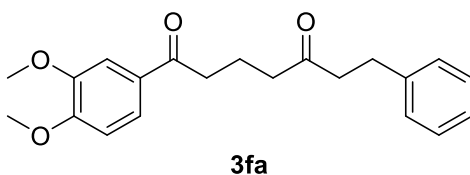
According to the General Procedure, the product **3da** was obtained as a light-yellow oil after silica gel chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc = 150:1), 34.3 mg (51%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.87-7.90 (m, 2H), 7.45-7.49 (m, 2H), 7.25-7.28 (m, 2H), 7.15-7.19 (m, 3H), 2.95 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.90 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.74 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.52 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.96-2.03 (m, 2H), 1.34 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 209.8, 199.5, 156.9, 141.1, 134.3, 128.6, 128.4, 128.1, 126.2, 125.6, 44.3, 42.0, 37.4, 35.2, 31.2, 29.9, 18.3; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₃H₂₉O₂ [M+H]⁺ (337.2168), found 337.2154.

1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-phenylheptane-1,5-dione (**3ea**)



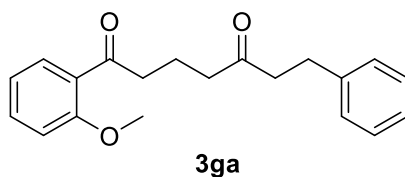
According to the General Procedure, the product **3ea** was obtained as a light-yellow oil after silica gel chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc = 150:1), 43.4 mg (70%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.91-7.95 (m, 2H), 7.25-7.28 (m, 2H), 7.16-7.19 (m, 3H), 6.91-6.95 (m, 2H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 2.88-2.93 (m, 4H), 2.74 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.52 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.96-2.03 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 209.9, 198.4, 163.5, 141.1, 130.4, 130.0, 128.6, 128.4, 126.2, 113.8, 55.5, 44.3, 42.0, 37.1, 29.9, 18.4; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₀H₂₃O₃ [M+H]⁺ (311.1647), found 311.1646.

1-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-7-phenylheptane-1,5-dione (3fa)



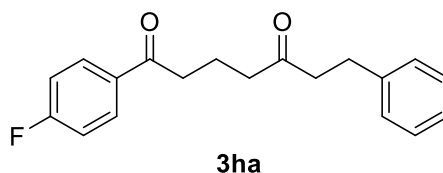
According to the General Procedure, the product **3fa** was obtained as a colorless oil after silica gel chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc = 100:1), 50.4 mg (74%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.58 (dd, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.25-7.29 (m, 2H), 7.17-7.19 (m, 3H), 6.88 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.95 (s, 3H), 3.94 (s, 3H), 2.89-2.95 (m, 4H), 2.74 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.52 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.96-2.03 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 210.9, 199.5, 154.3, 150.1, 142.1, 131.1, 129.6, 129.4, 127.2, 123.9, 111.2, 111.1, 57.2, 57.1, 45.3, 43.0, 38.1, 30.9, 19.6; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₁H₂₅O₄ [M+H]⁺ (341.1753), found 341.1757.

1-(2-methoxyphenyl)-7-phenylheptane-1,5-dione (3ga)



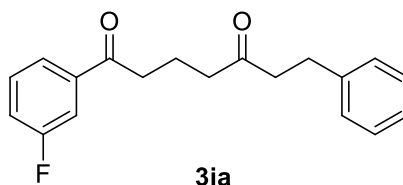
According to the General Procedure, the product **3ga** was obtained as a light-yellow oil after silica gel chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc = 150:1), 46.5 mg (75%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.66 (dd, *J* = 7.6 Hz, *J* = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.43-7.47 (m, 1H), 7.24-7.28 (m, 2H), 7.16-7.19 (m, 3H), 6.94-7.01 (m, 2H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 2.98 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.89 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.73 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.48 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.92-1.99 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 209.9, 202.1, 158.6, 141.1, 133.5, 130.3, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 126.1, 120.7, 111.6, 55.5, 44.3, 42.7, 42.2, 29.8, 18.4; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₀H₂₃O₃ [M+H]⁺ (311.1647), found 311.1644.

1-(4-fluorophenyl)-7-phenylheptane-1,5-dione (**3ha**)



According to the General Procedure, the product **3ha** was obtained as a colorless oil after silica gel chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc = 150:1), 44.8 mg (75%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.94-7.99 (m, 2H), 7.25-7.28 (m, 2H), 7.09-7.18 (m, 5H), 2.89-2.95 (m, 4H), 2.74 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.52 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 1.96-2.03 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 209.8, 198.2, 165.8 (d, *J* = 253.2 Hz), 141.0, 133.3 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz), 130.8 (d, *J* = 9.3 Hz), 128.6, 128.4, 126.2, 115.7 (d, *J* = 21.6 Hz), 44.3, 41.9, 37.4, 29.9, 18.2; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₁₉H₂₀FO₂ [M+H]⁺ (299.1447), found 299.1450.

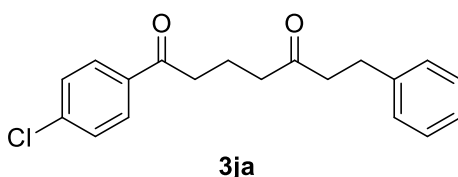
1-(3-fluorophenyl)-7-phenylheptane-1,5-dione (**3ia**)



According to the General Procedure, the product **3ia** was obtained as a light-yellow oil after silica gel chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc = 150:1), 24.4 mg (41%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.72 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 1H),

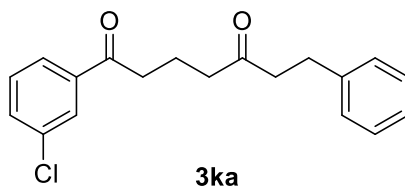
7.41-7.47 (m, 1H), 7.25-7.29 (m, 3H), 7.17-7.19 (m, 3H), 2.89-2.96 (m, 4H), 2.75 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 2.52 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 1.96-2.03 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 209.7, 198.5 (d, $J = 2.1$ Hz), 162.9 (d, $J = 246.4$ Hz), 141.0, 138.9 (d, $J = 6.0$ Hz), 130.3 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz), 128.5 (d, $J = 18.1$ Hz), 126.2, 123.9 (d, $J = 3.1$ Hz), 120.2 (d, $J = 21.2$ Hz), 114.9 (d, $J = 21.9$ Hz), 44.3, 41.8, 37.6, 29.9, 18.1; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{20}\text{FO}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ (299.1447), found 299.1449.

1-(4-chlorophenyl)-7-phenylheptane-1,5-dione (**3ja**)



According to the General Procedure, the product **3ja** was obtained as a colorless oil after silica gel chromatography (n -hexane/EtOAc = 150:1), 37.8 mg (60%). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.86-7.90 (m, 2H), 7.41-7.45 (m, 2H), 7.25-7.28 (m, 2H), 7.16-7.19 (m, 3H), 2.89-2.95 (m, 4H), 2.74 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 2.52 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 1.95-2.02 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 209.8, 198.6, 141.0, 139.6, 135.1, 129.6, 129.0, 128.6, 128.4, 126.2, 44.3, 41.8, 37.5, 29.9, 18.1; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{20}\text{ClO}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ (315.1152), found 315.1152.

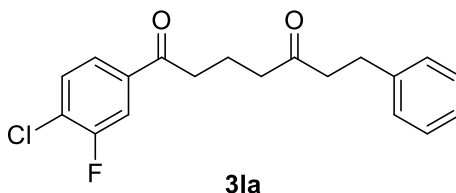
1-(3-chlorophenyl)-7-phenylheptane-1,5-dione (**3ka**)



According to the General Procedure, the product **3ka** was obtained as a light-yellow oil after silica gel chromatography (n -hexane/EtOAc = 150:1), 42.8 mg (68%). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.90-7.91 (m, 1H), 7.80-7.83 (m, 1H), 7.53 (ddd, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2.4 Hz, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.38-7.42 (m, 1H), 7.25-7.29 (m, 2H), 7.16-7.19 (m, 3H), 2.89-2.95 (m, 4H), 2.75 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 2.52 (t, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 2H), 1.96-2.03 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 209.7, 198.5, 141.0, 138.3, 135.0, 133.1, 130.0,

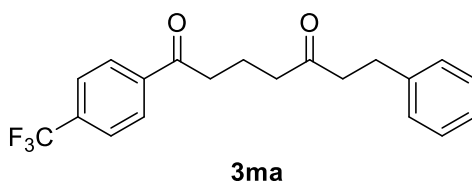
128.6, 128.4, 128.2, 126.2, 44.3, 41.8, 37.6, 29.9, 18.0; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $C_{19}H_{20}ClO_2$ $[M+H]^+$ (315.1152), found 315.1150.

1-(4-chloro-3-fluorophenyl)-7-phenylheptane-1,5-dione (3la)



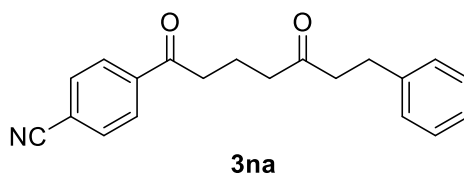
According to the General Procedure, the product **3la** was obtained as a light-yellow oil after silica gel chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc = 150:1), 46.6 mg (70%). 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.66-7.72 (m, 2H), 7.48-7.52 (m, 1H), 7.25-7.29 (m, 2H), 7.16-7.19 (m, 3H), 2.89-2.93 (m, 4H), 2.75 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.52 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.95-2.02 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 209.6, 197.5 (d, J = 1.5 Hz), 158.3 (d, J = 249.4 Hz), 141.0, 137.0 (d, J = 5.4 Hz), 131.0, 128.6, 128.4, 126.5 (d, J = 17.9 Hz), 126.2, 124.5 (d, J = 3.6 Hz), 116.0 (d, J = 21.7 Hz), 44.3, 41.7, 37.5, 29.9, 18.0; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $C_{19}H_{19}ClFO_2$ $[M+H]^+$ (333.1058), found 333.1055.

7-phenyl-1-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)heptane-1,5-dione (3ma)



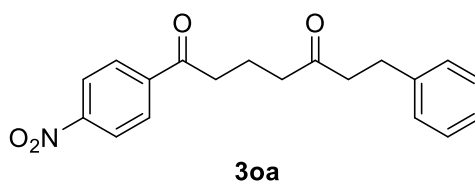
According to the General Procedure, the product **3ma** was obtained as a colorless oil after silica gel chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc = 150:1), 45.3 mg (65%). 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.97 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.66 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.18-7.21 (m, 2H), 7.08-7.12 (m, 3H), 2.91 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.84 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.68 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.46 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 1.90-1.97 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 209.7, 198.8, 141.0, 139.4, 134.5 (q, J = 32.6 Hz), 128.6, 128.5, 128.4, 126.2, 125.8 (q, J = 3.7 Hz), 123.7 (q, J = 270.8 Hz), 44.3, 41.7, 37.8, 29.9, 18.0; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $C_{20}H_{20}F_3O_2$ $[M+H]^+$ (349.1415), found 349.1415.

4-(5-oxo-7-phenylheptanoyl)benzonitrile (**3na**)



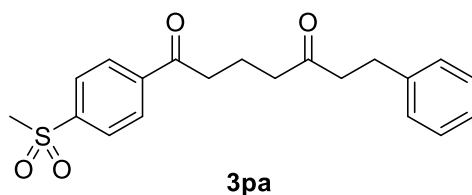
According to the General Procedure, the product **3na** was obtained as a colorless oil after silica gel chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc = 100:1), 38.5 mg (63%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.01-8.04 (m, 2H), 7.76-7.78 (m, 2H), 7.25-7.29 (m, 2H), 7.17-7.19 (m, 3H), 2.97 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.91 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.75 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.53 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 1.96-2.03 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 209.6, 198.4, 140.9, 139.7, 132.6, 128.59, 128.56, 128.4, 126.3, 118.0, 116.4, 44.3, 41.7, 37.8, 29.9, 17.9; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₀H₂₀NO₂ [M+H]⁺ (306.1494), found 306.1489.

1-(4-nitrophenyl)-7-phenylheptane-1,5-dione (**3oa**)



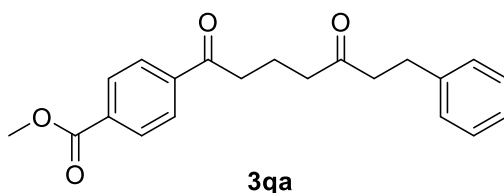
According to the General Procedure, the product **3oa** was obtained as a light-yellow oil after silica gel chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc = 100:1), 35.1 mg (54%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.29-8.32 (m, 2H), 8.08-8.11 (m, 2H), 7.25-7.29 (m, 2H), 7.17-7.19 (m, 3H), 3.00 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.91 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.76 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.54 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 1.98-2.05 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 209.6, 198.2, 150.4, 141.2, 140.9, 129.2, 128.6, 128.4, 126.2, 123.9, 44.3, 41.6, 38.1, 29.9, 17.9; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₁₉H₂₀NO₄ [M+H]⁺ (326.1392), found 326.1388.

1-(4-(methylsulfonyl)phenyl)-7-phenylheptane-1,5-dione (**3pa**)



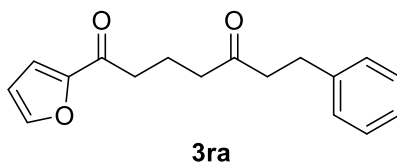
According to the General Procedure, the product **3pa** was obtained as a colorless oil after silica gel chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc = 30:1), 45.9 mg (64%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.10-8.12 (m, 2H), 8.04-8.06 (m, 2H), 7.25-7.29 (m, 2H), 7.17-7.20 (m, 3H), 3.09 (s, 3H), 3.00 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.91 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.76 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.54 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 1.98-2.05 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 209.6, 198.5, 144.2, 141.0, 140.8, 129.0, 128.6, 128.4, 127.9, 126.3, 44.4, 44.3, 41.7, 38.0, 29.9, 18.0; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₀H₂₃O₄S [M+H]⁺ (359.1317), found 359.1317.

methyl 4-(5-oxo-7-phenylheptanoyl)benzoate (3qa)



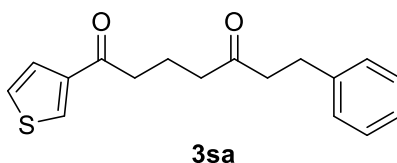
According to the General Procedure, the product **3qa** was obtained as a yellow oil after silica gel chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc = 100:1), 38.6 mg (57%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.12 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.98 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.25-7.28 (m, 2H), 7.15-7.19 (m, 3H), 3.95 (s, 3H), 2.99 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.91 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.75 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.53 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 1.97-2.04 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 209.7, 199.3, 166.3, 141.0, 140.0, 133.9, 129.9, 128.6, 128.4, 128.0, 126.2, 52.6, 44.3, 41.8, 37.8, 29.9, 18.0; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₁H₂₃O₄ [M+H]⁺ (339.1596), found 339.1600.

1-(furan-2-yl)-7-phenylheptane-1,5-dione (3ra)



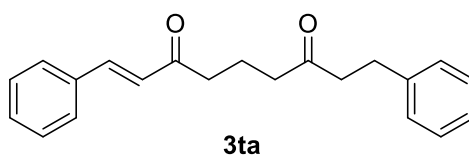
According to the General Procedure, the product **3ra** was obtained as a light-yellow oil after silica gel chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc = 100:1), 25.4 mg (47%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.57 (t, *J* = 0.8 Hz, 1H), 7.25-7.29 (m, 2H), 7.16-7.20 (m, 4H), 6.53 (dd, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 2.90 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.83 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.73 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.50 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.95-2.02 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 209.6, 189.0, 152.6, 146.4, 141.0, 128.6, 128.4, 126.2, 117.2, 112.3, 44.3, 41.8, 37.3, 29.8, 18.1; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₁₇H₁₉O₃ [M+H]⁺ (271.1334), found 271.1337.

7-phenyl-1-(thiophen-3-yl)heptane-1,5-dione (**3sa**)



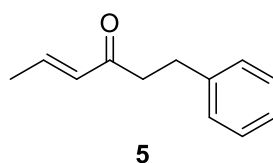
According to the General Procedure, the product **3sa** was obtained as a yellow oil after silica gel chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc = 100:1), 32.1 mg (56%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.05 (dd, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (dd, *J* = 5.2 Hz, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.31 (dd, *J* = 5.2 Hz, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 7.25-7.29 (m, 2H), 7.16-7.19 (m, 3H), 2.85-2.92 (m, 4H), 2.74 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.52 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 1.95-2.02 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 209.8, 194.3, 142.2, 141.0, 132.1, 128.6, 128.4, 127.0, 126.4, 126.2, 44.3, 41.9, 38.7, 29.9, 18.3; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₁₇H₁₉O₂S [M+H]⁺ (287.1106), found 287.1108.

(*E*)-1,9-diphenylnon-1-ene-3,7-dione (**3ta**)



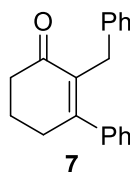
According to the General Procedure, the product **3ta** was obtained as a colorless oil after silica gel chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc = 150:1), 16.5 mg (27%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.53-7.57 (m, 3H), 7.38-7.41 (m, 3H), 7.25-7.29 (m, 2H), 7.17-7.20 (m, 3H), 6.70 (d, *J* = 16.4 Hz, 1H), 2.91 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.74 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.68 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.49 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.91-1.98 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 209.8, 199.9, 142.8, 141.1, 134.6, 130.6, 129.1, 128.6, 128.41, 128.37, 126.20, 126.17, 44.3, 41.9, 39.6, 29.9, 18.2; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₁H₂₃O₂ [M+H]⁺ (307.1698), found 307.1699.

(*E*)-1-phenylhex-4-en-3-one (5)



The product **5** (a known compound^[8]) was obtained as a light-yellow oil after silica gel chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc = 300:1), 41.8 mg (60%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.26-7.31 (m, 2H), 7.17-7.21 (m, 3H), 6.85 (dq, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 6.8 Hz, 1H), 6.13 (dq, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 2.92-2.96 (m, 2H), 2.83-2.88 (m, 2H), 1.89 (dd, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1.6 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.4, 142.9, 141.4, 132.0, 128.5, 128.4, 126.1, 41.7, 30.1, 18.4.

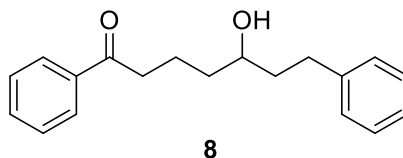
2-benzyl-5,6-dihydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-3(4*H*)-one (7)



The product **7** (a known compound^[9]) was obtained as a colorless oil after silica gel chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc = 10:1), 46.7 mg (89%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.29-7.38 (m, 3H), 7.08-7.19 (m, 5H), 6.95-6.97 (m, 2H), 3.57 (s, 2H), 2.68 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 2.53-2.56 (m, 2H), 2.09-2.15 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.3, 158.6, 141.2, 141.0, 135.1, 128.5, 128.3, 128.2, 128.0, 126.8, 125.6,

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5-hydroxy-1,7-diphenylheptan-1-one (8)



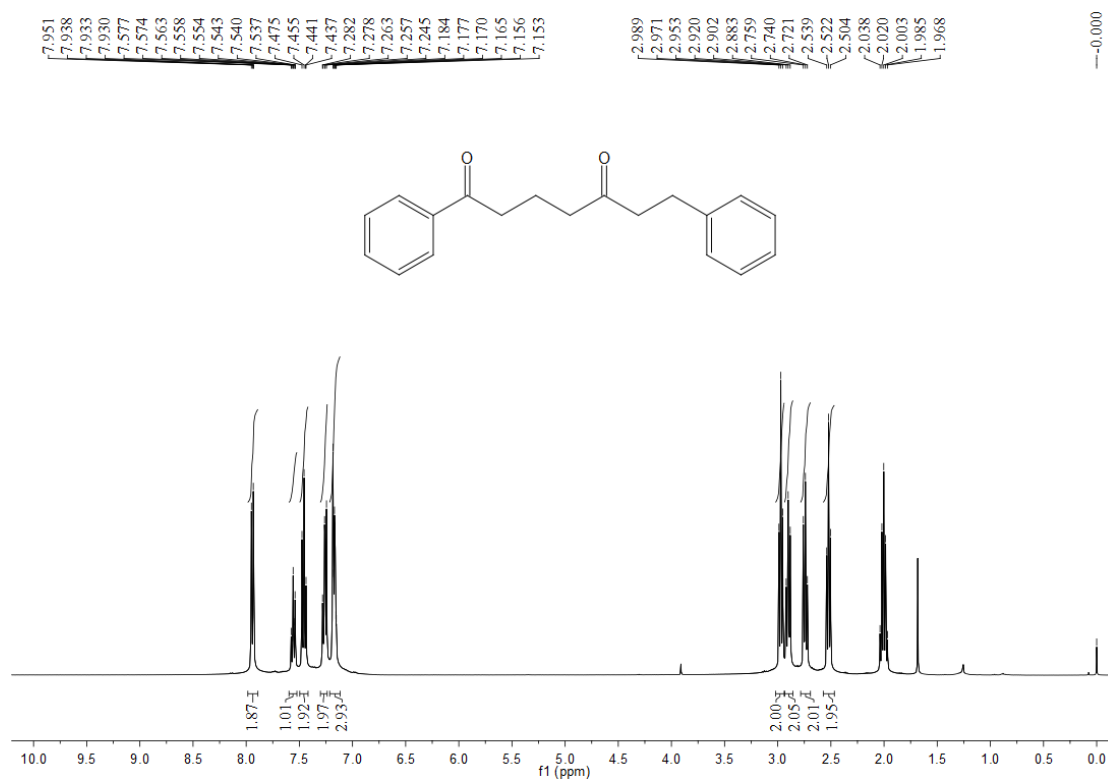
The product **8** was obtained as a colorless oil after silica gel chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc = 100:1), 39.5 mg (35%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.94-7.96 (m, 2H), 7.54-7.57 (m, 1H), 7.44-7.47 (m, 2H), 7.25-7.29 (m, 2H), 7.15-7.20 (m, 3H), 3.59-3.70 (m, 1H), 3.01 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.76-2.83 (m, 1H), 2.64-2.71 (m, 1H), 1.73-1.93 (m, 5H), 1.49-1.62 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 200.5, 142.2, 137.1, 133.1, 128.7, 128.50, 128.48, 128.1, 125.9, 70.9, 39.2, 38.4, 37.1, 32.2, 20.1; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₁₉H₂₁O [M+H-H₂O]⁺ (265.1592), found 265.1588.

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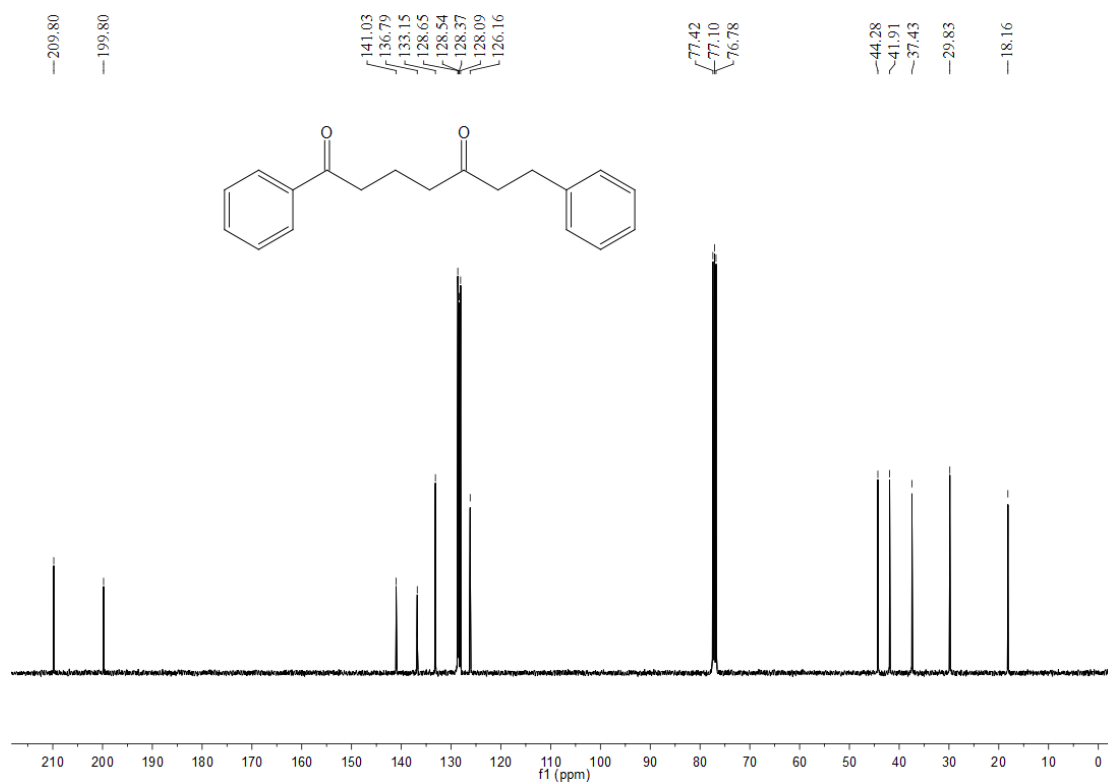
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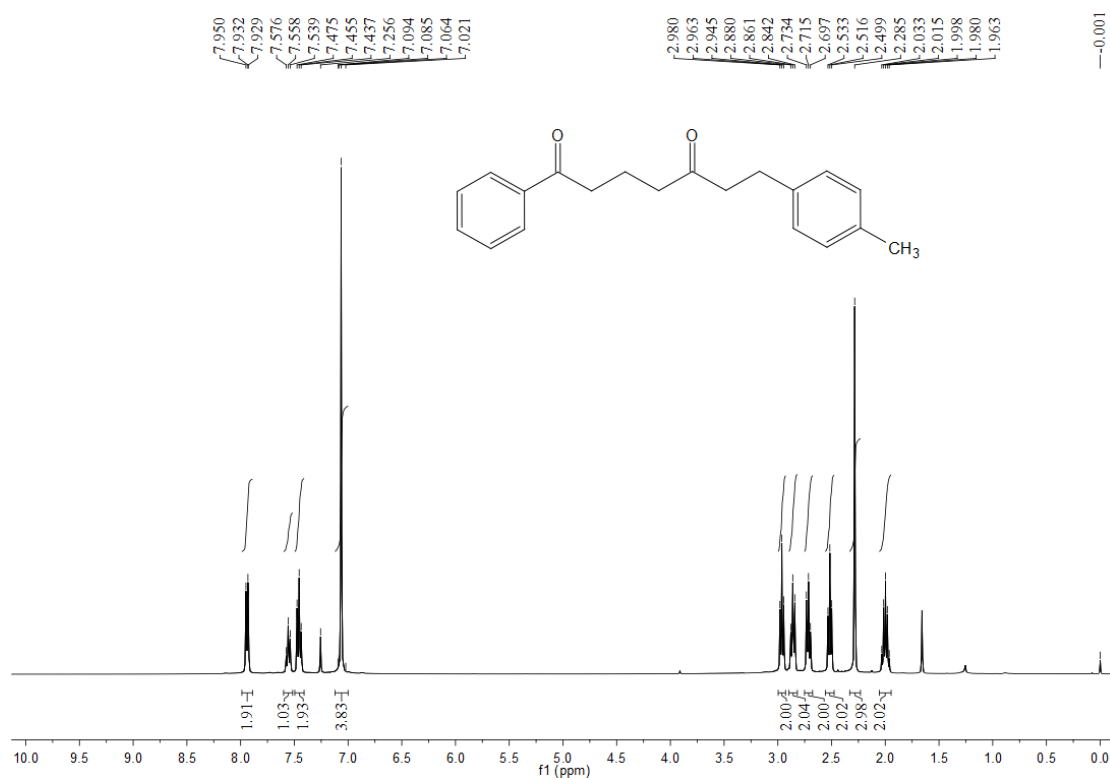


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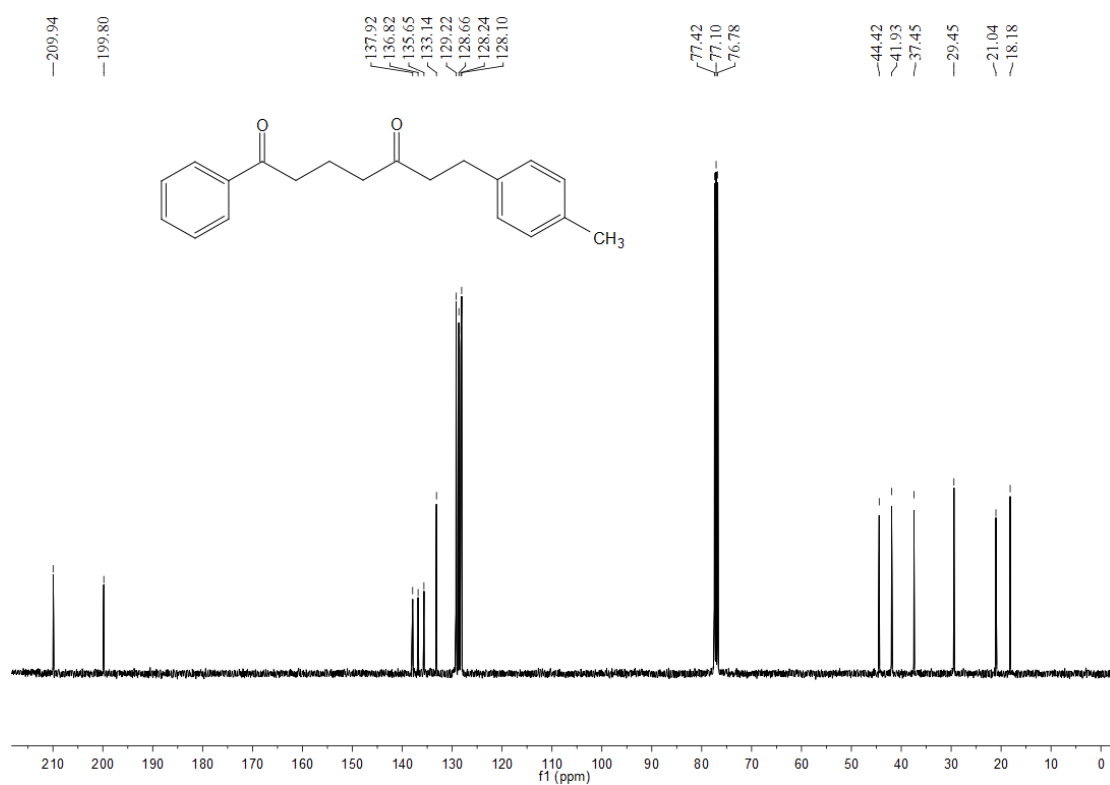


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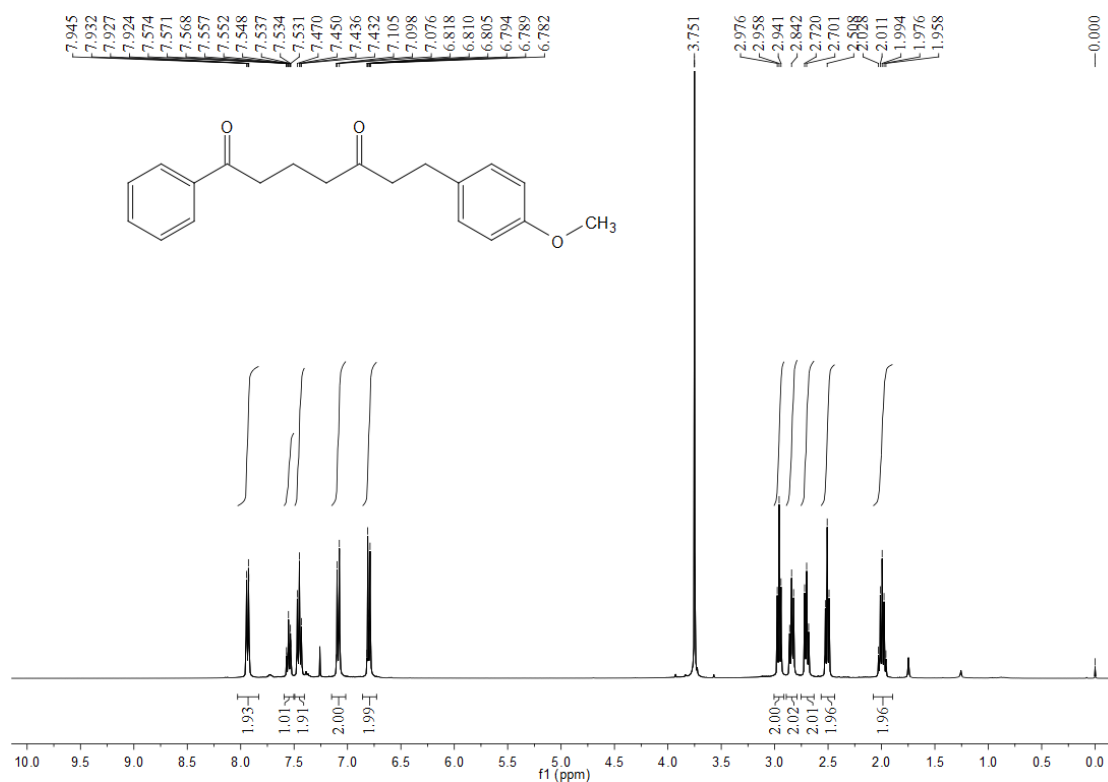


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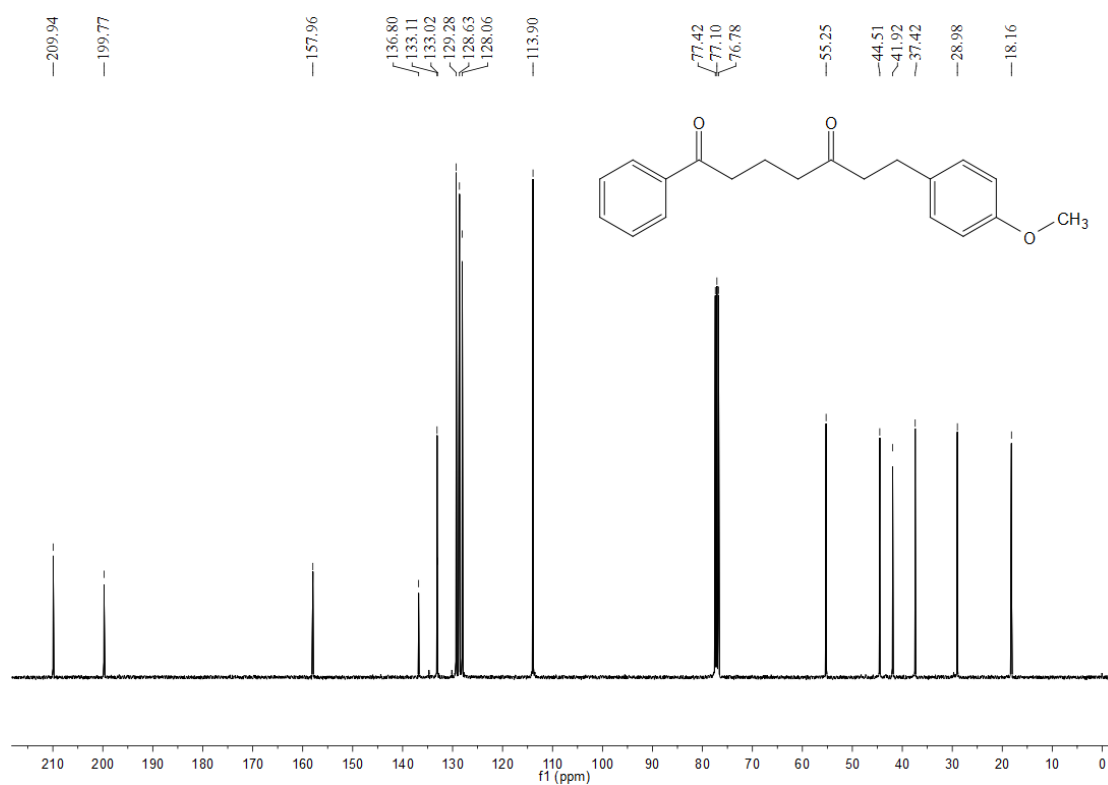


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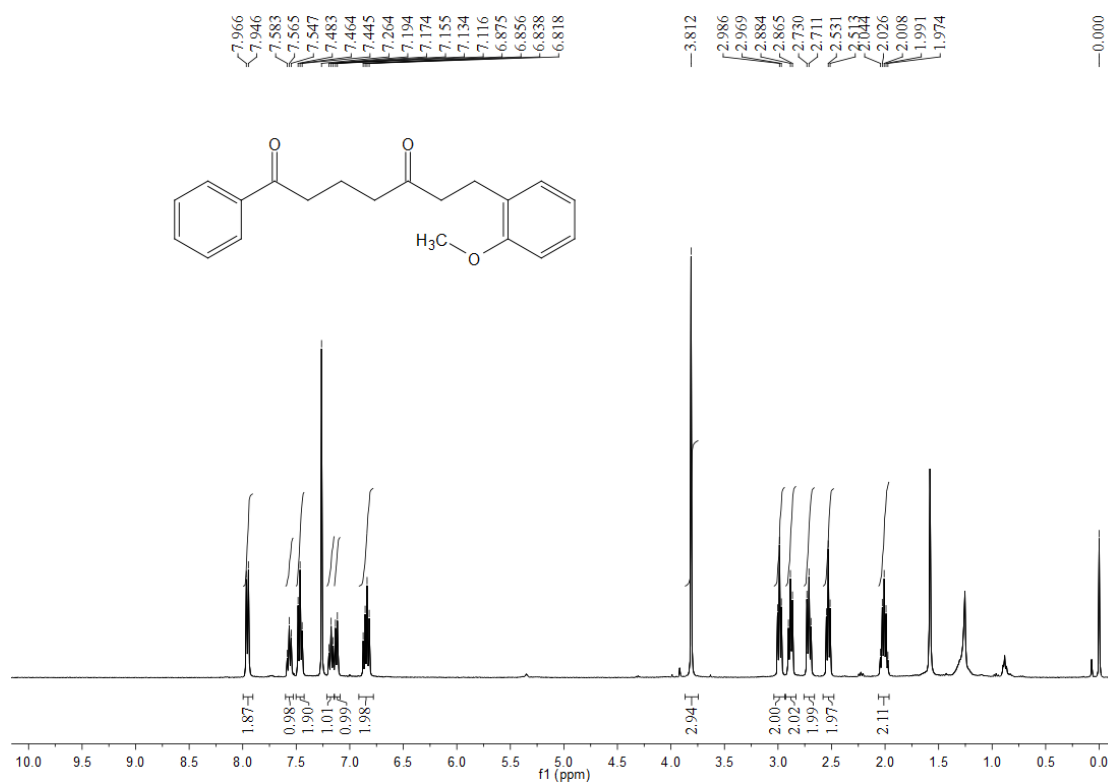


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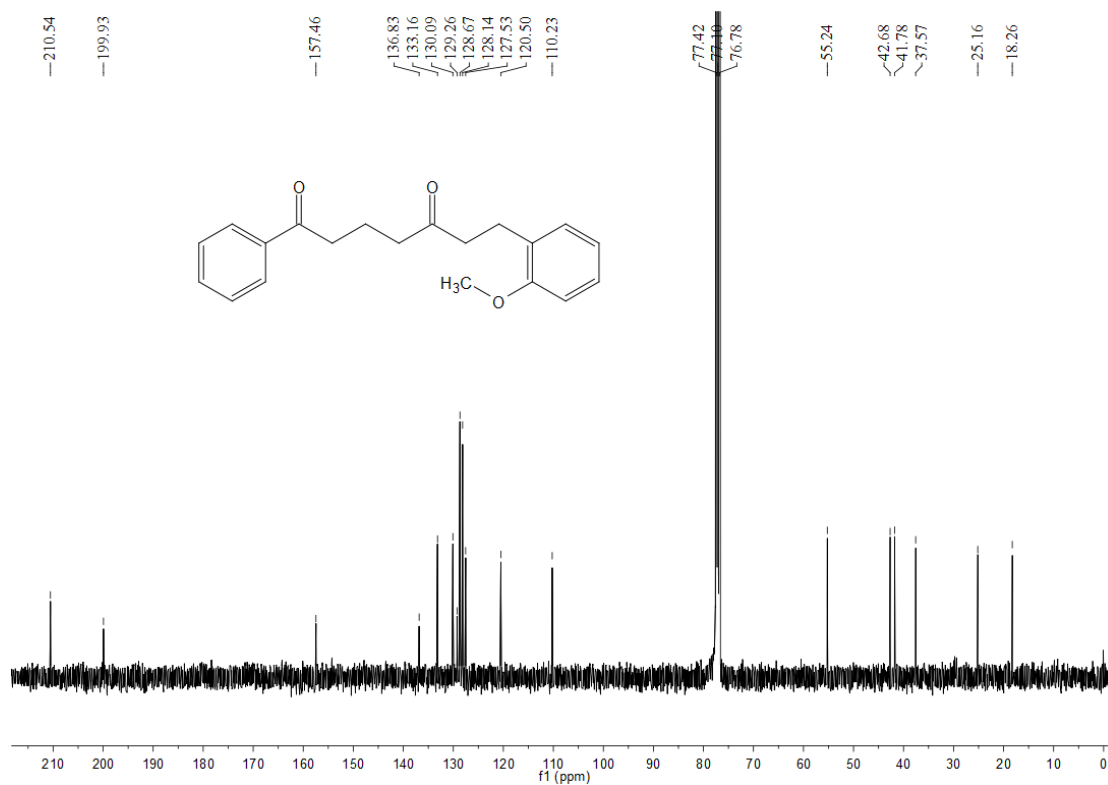


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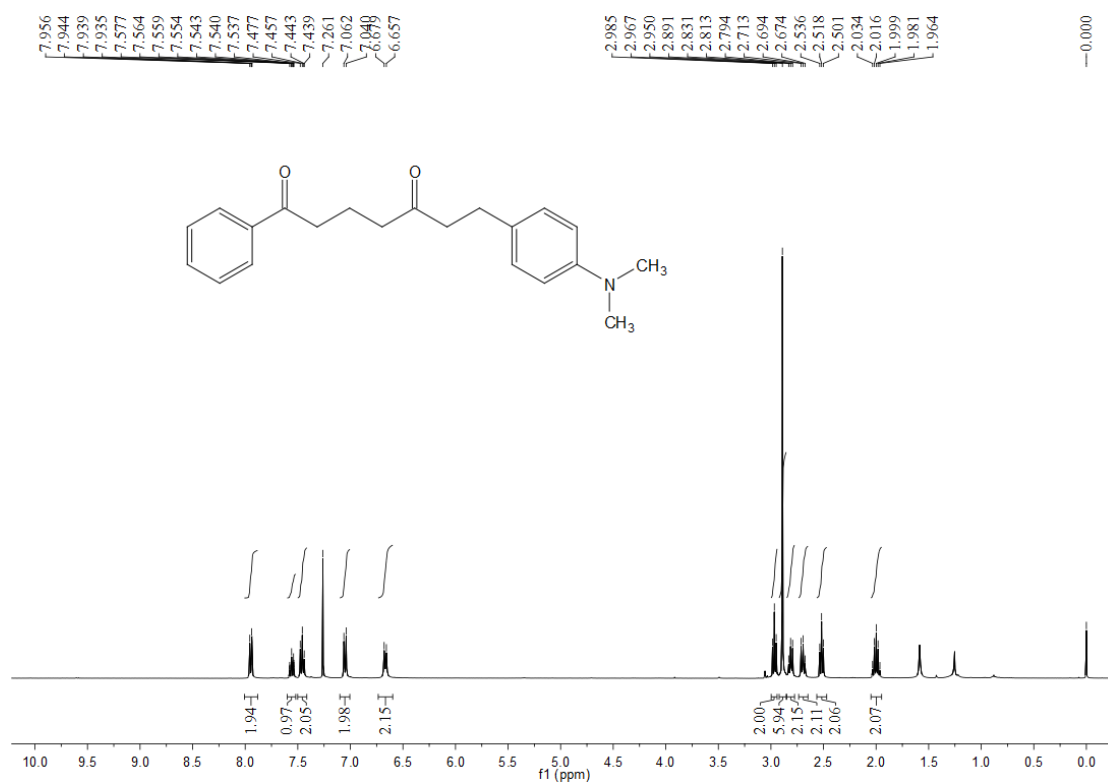


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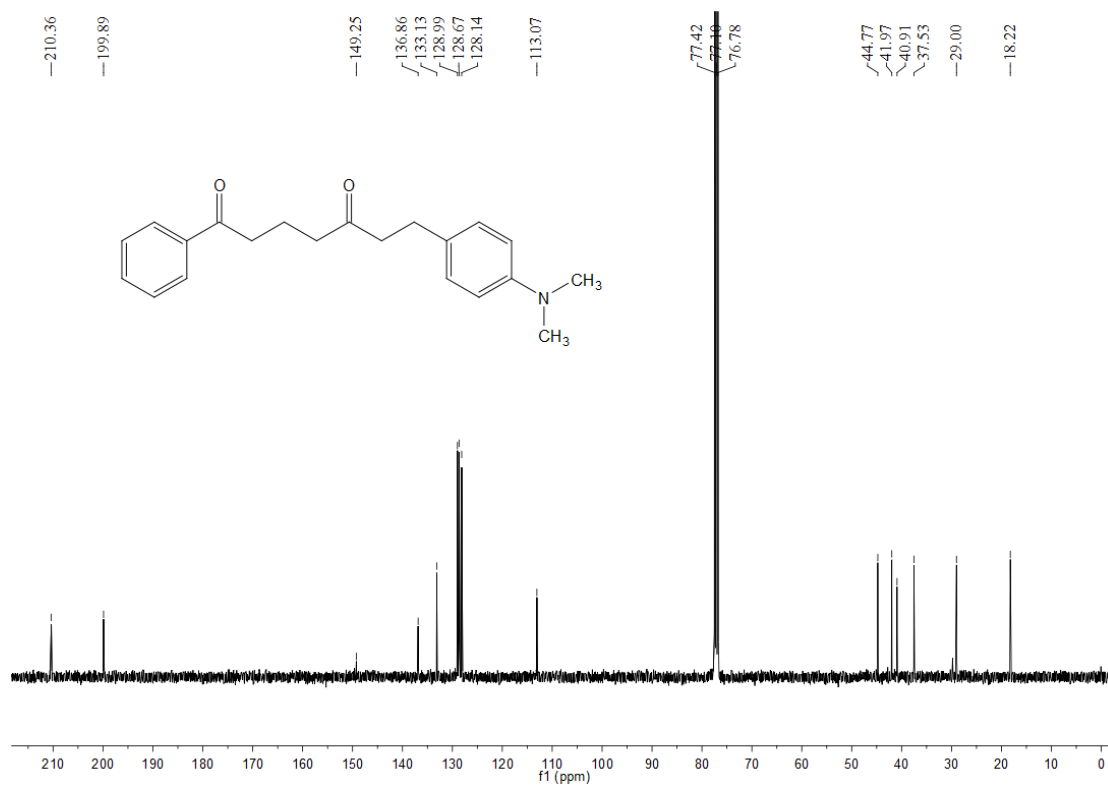


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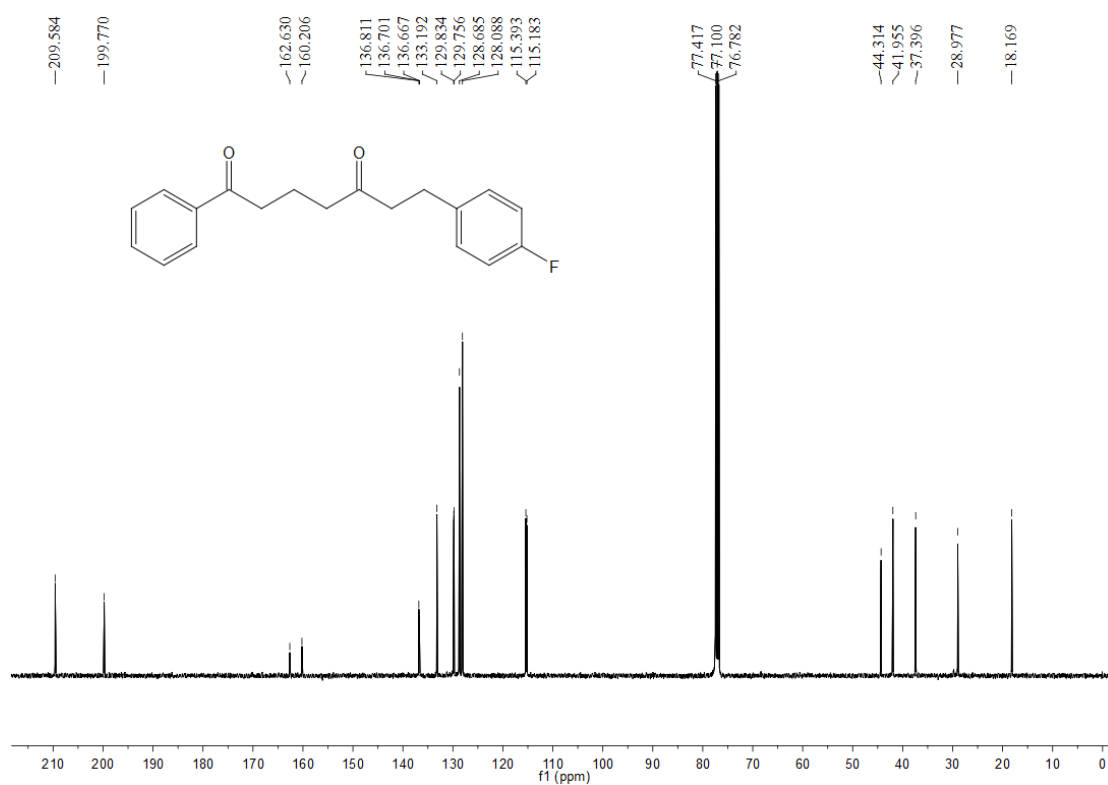
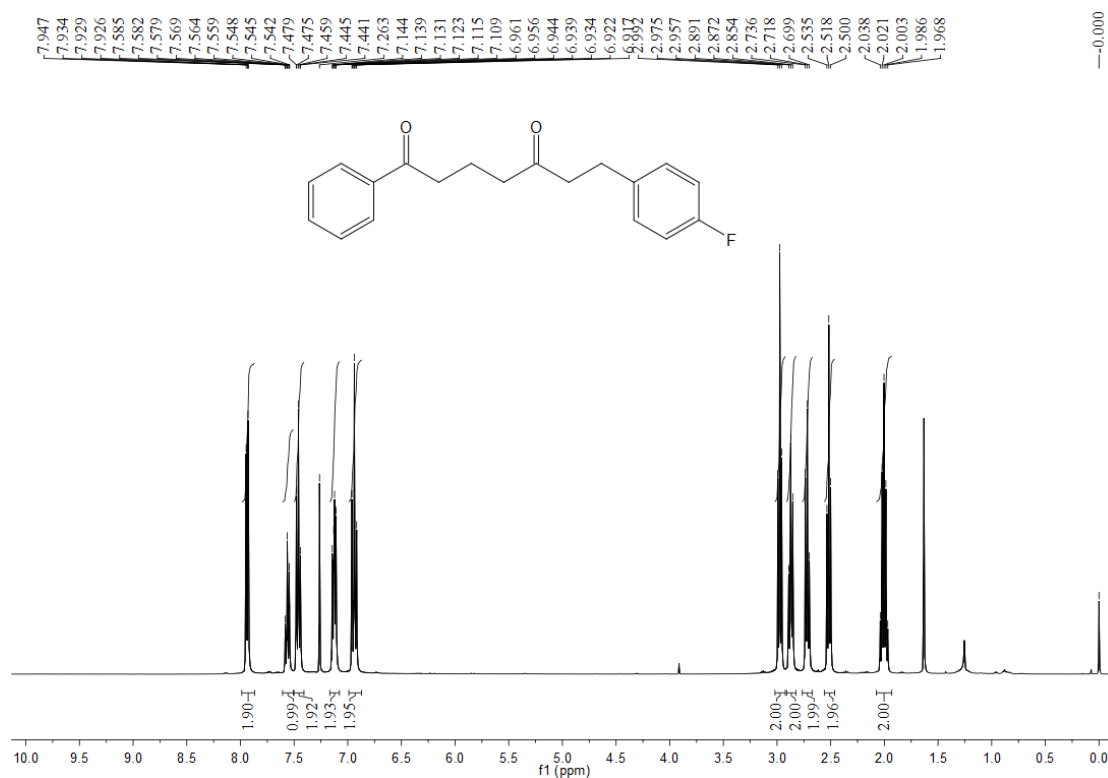


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Chemical structure: O=C(CCC(Cc1ccc(Cl)cc1)CC)c2ccccc2

¹H NMR spectrum (CDCl₃) showing peaks in the aromatic region (7.0-7.9 ppm) and aliphatic region (1.0-3.0 ppm). Integration values are provided below the peaks.

Chemical Shift (ppm)	Integration
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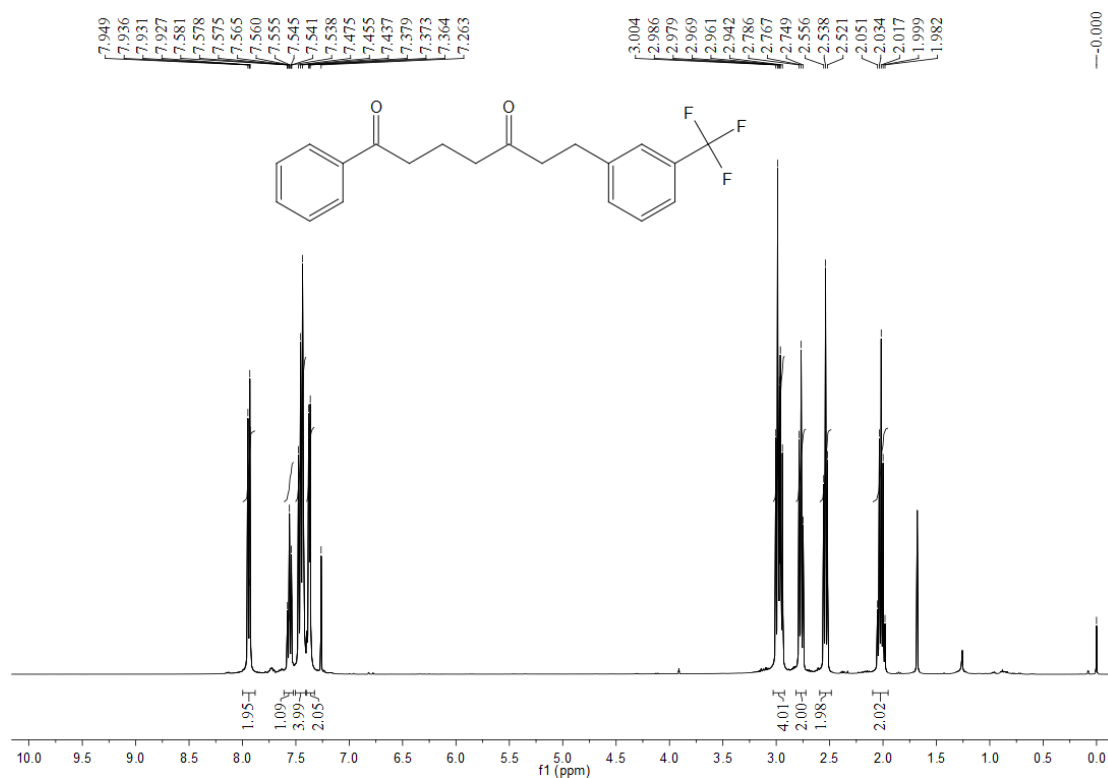
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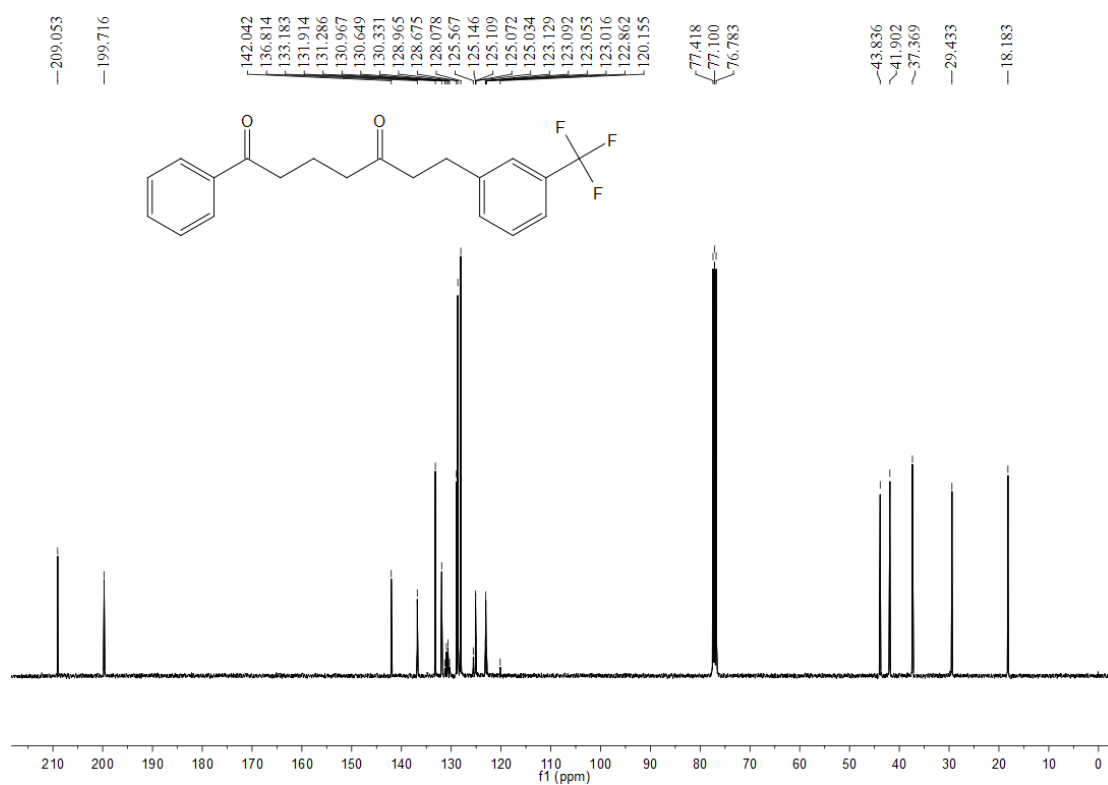
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1-phenyl-7-(3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)heptane-1,5-dione (3ai)

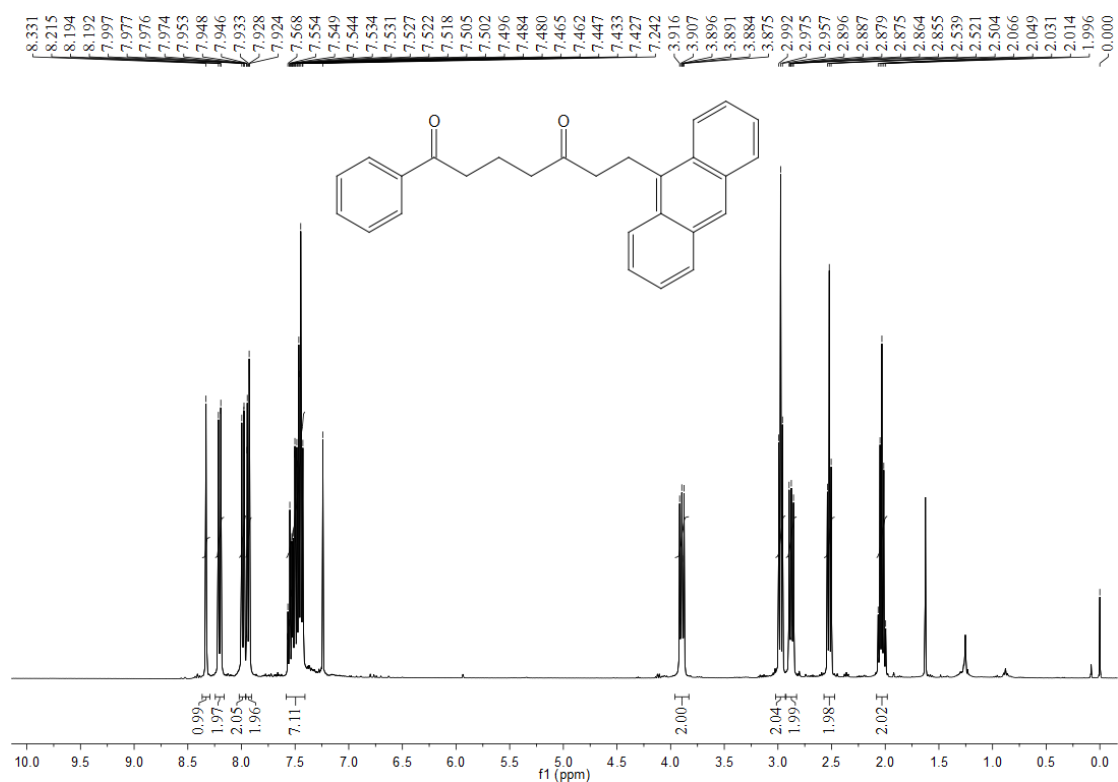


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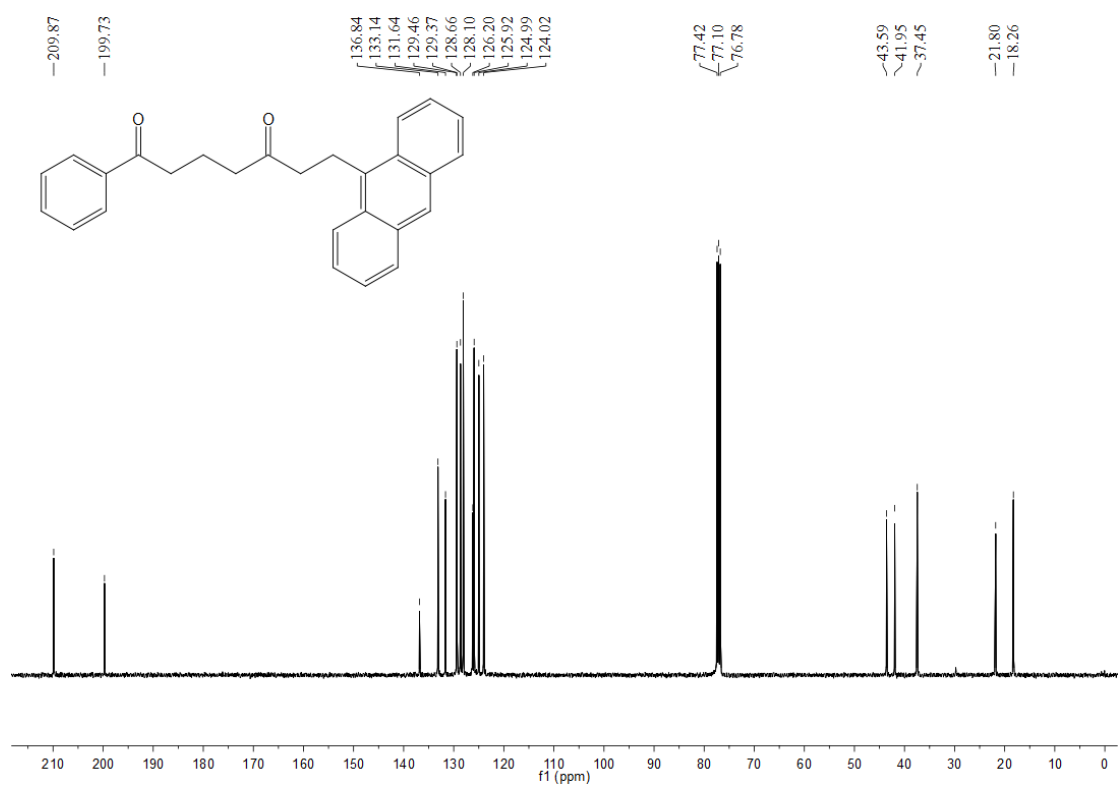


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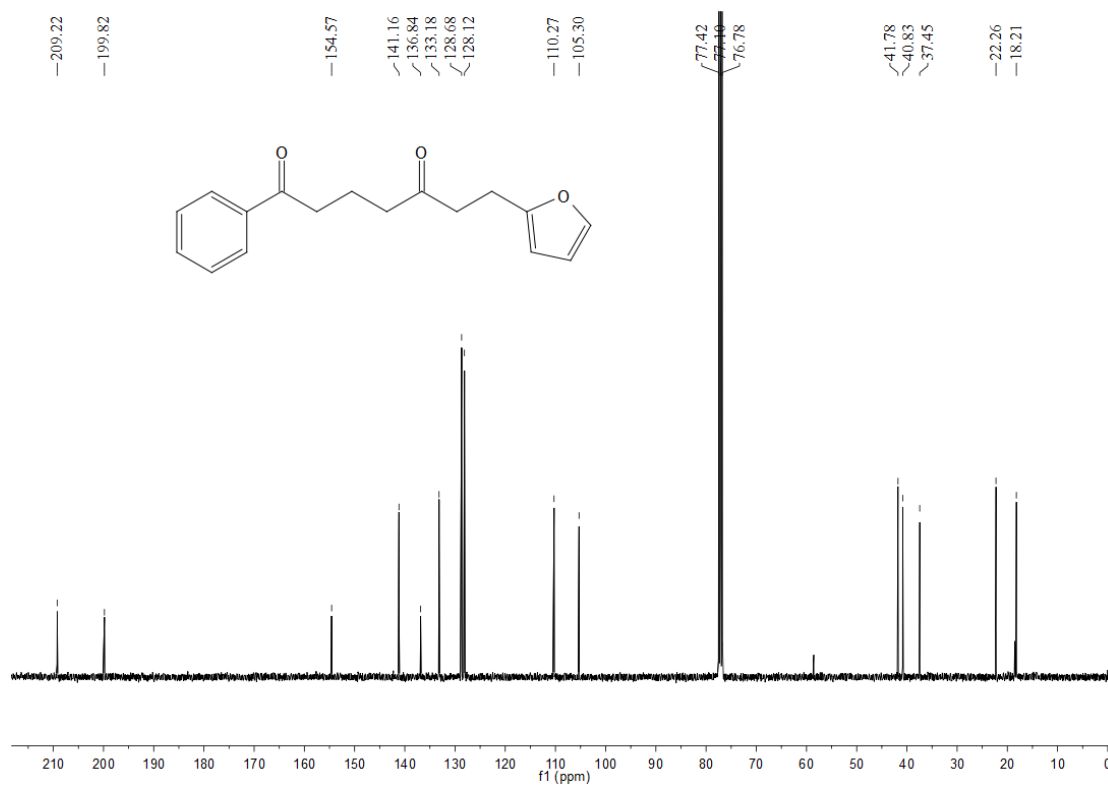
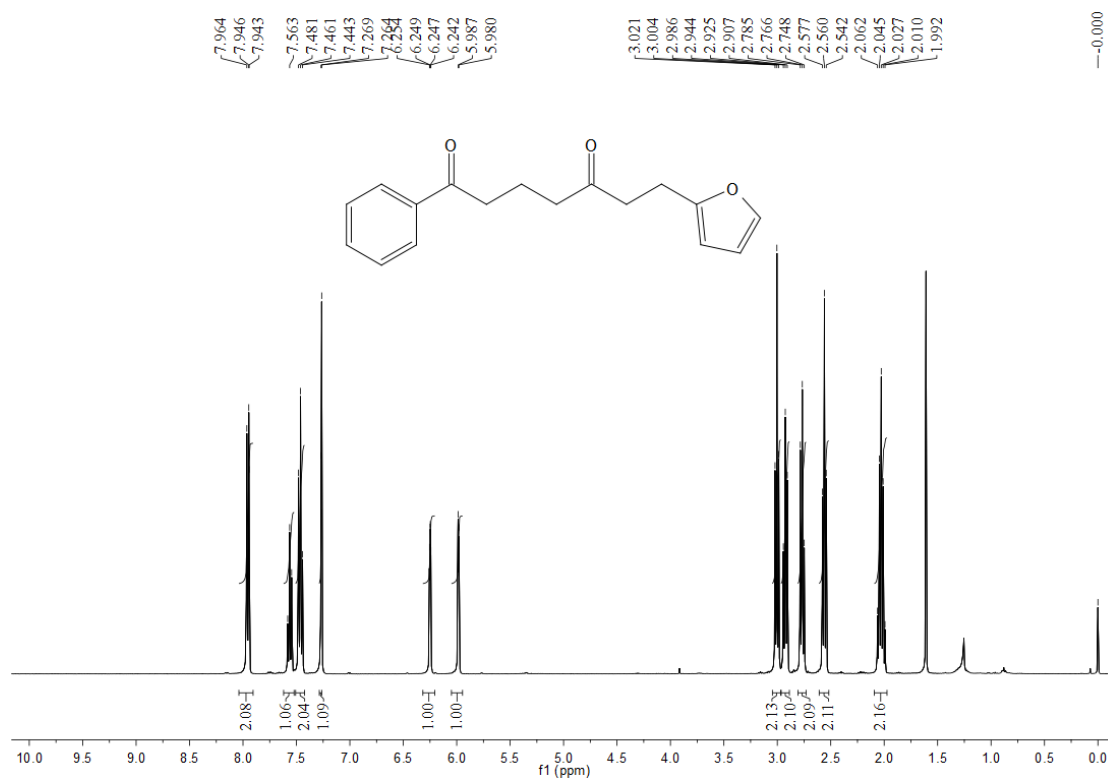


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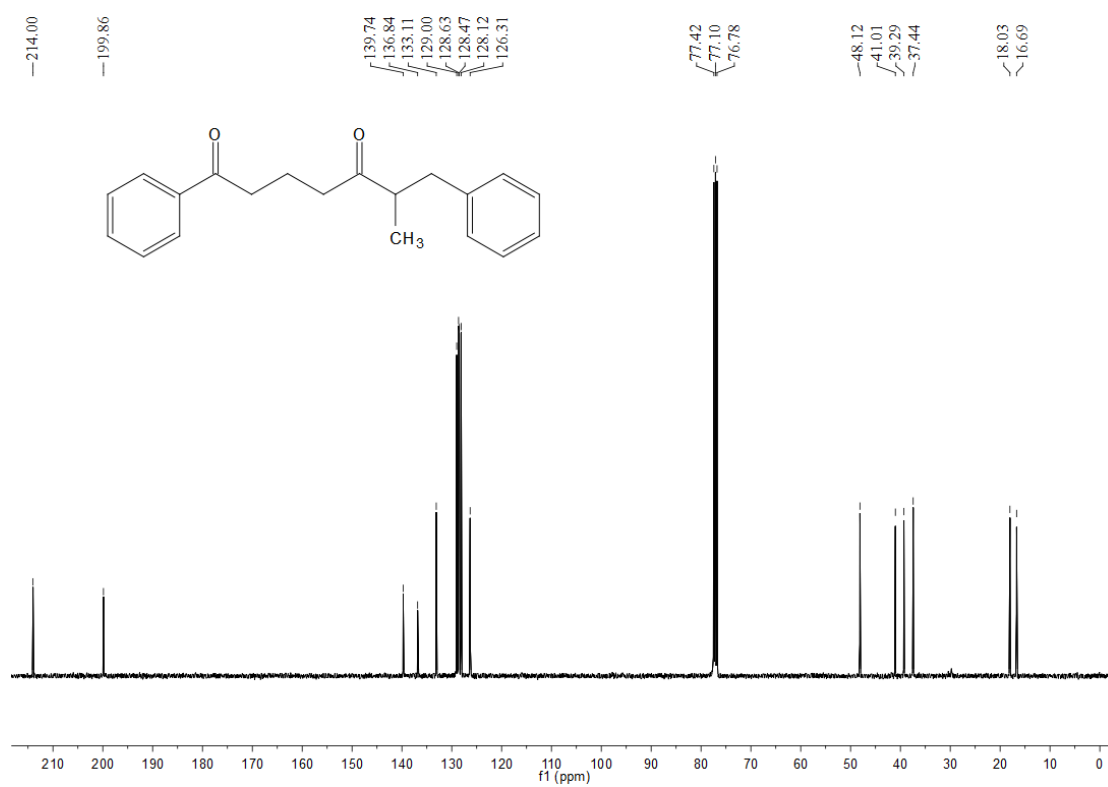
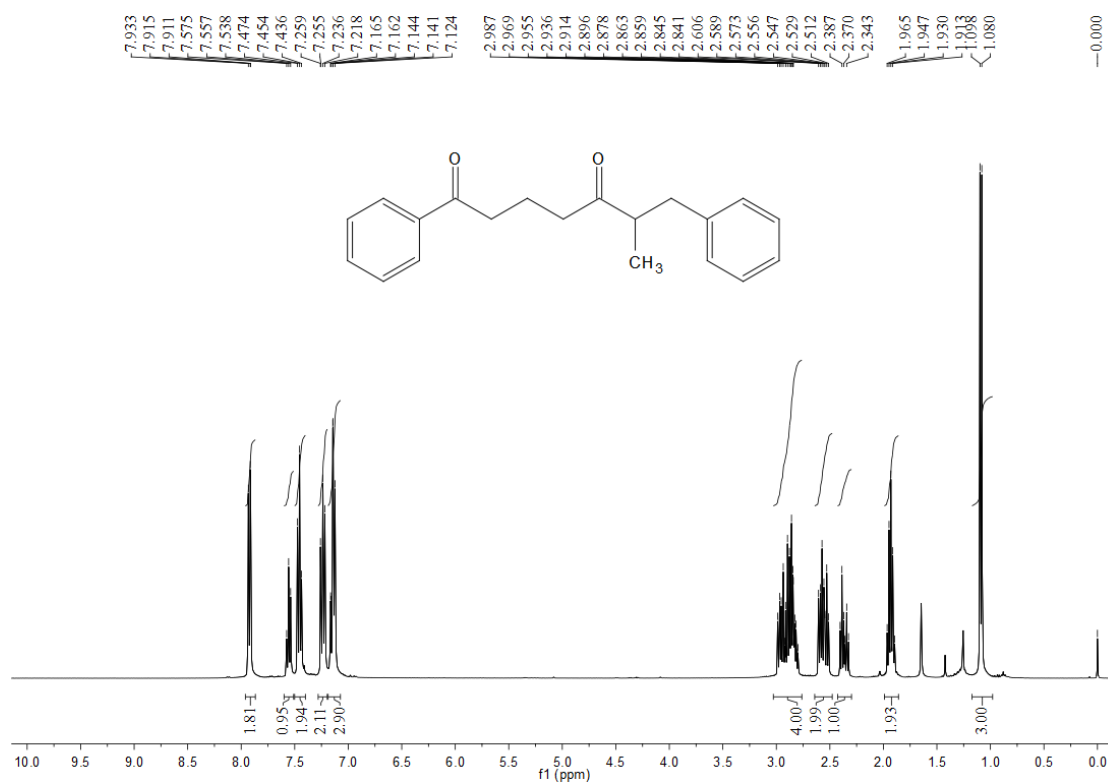


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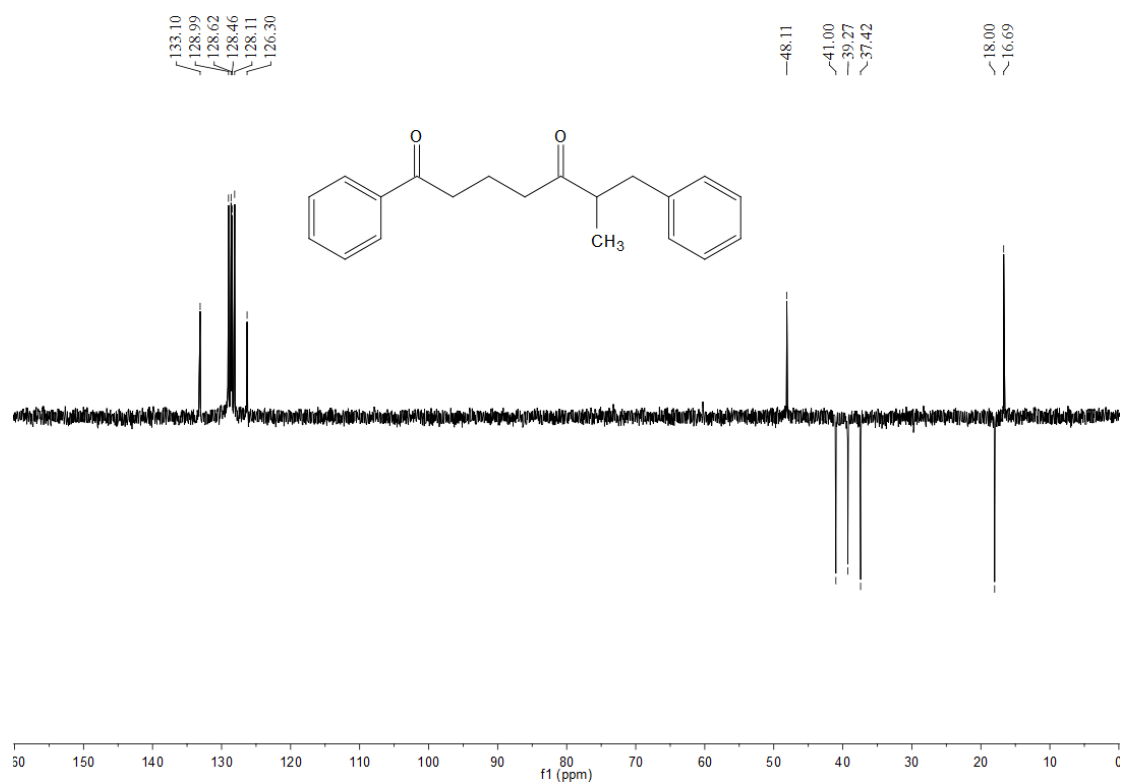
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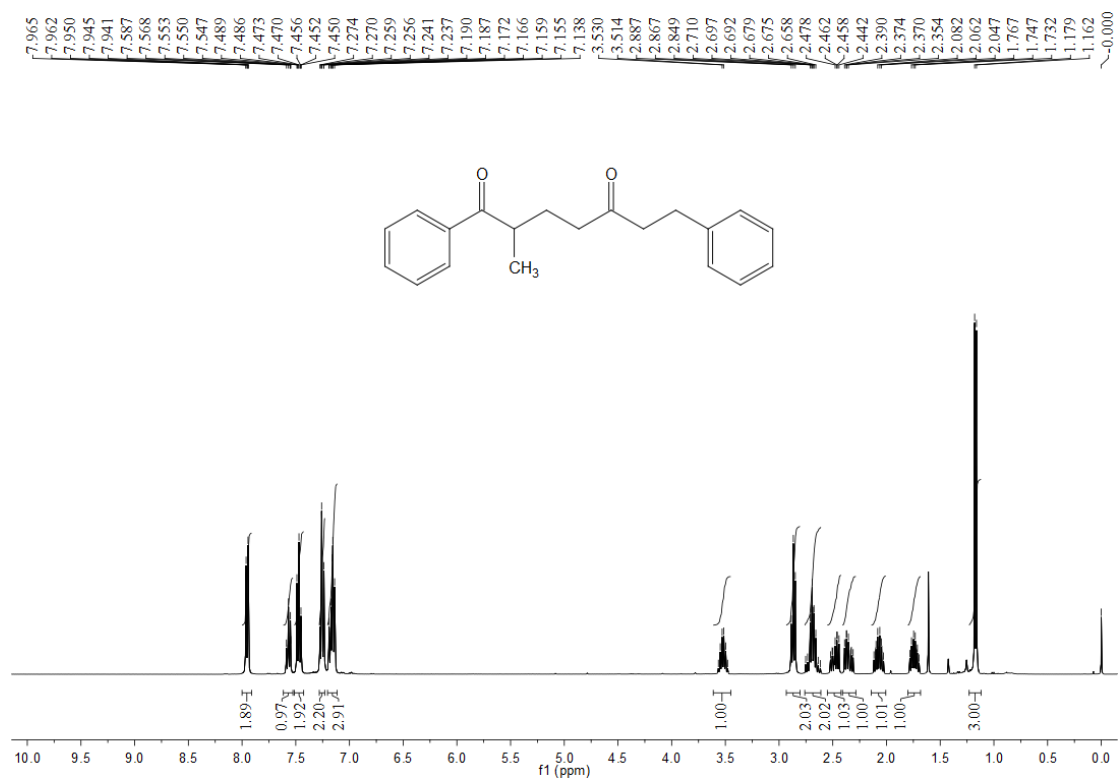
6-methyl-1,7-diphenylheptane-1,5-dione (3al)



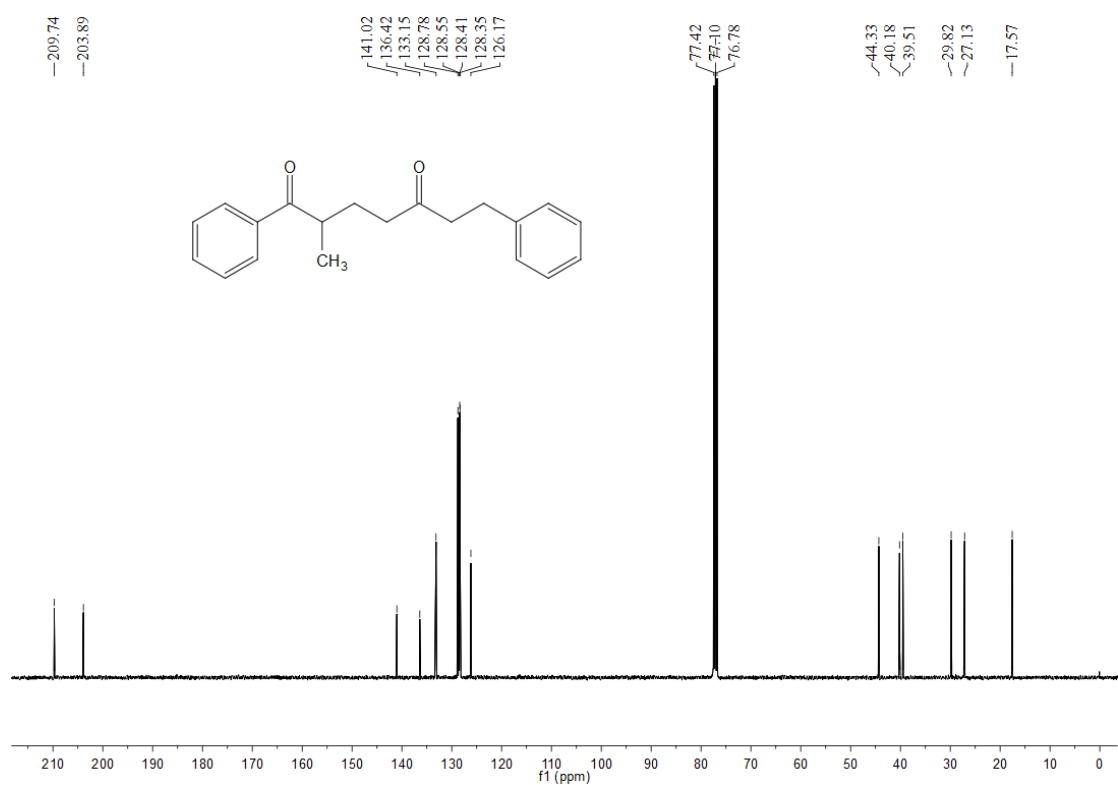
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2-methyl-1,7-diphenylheptane-1,5-dione (3am)

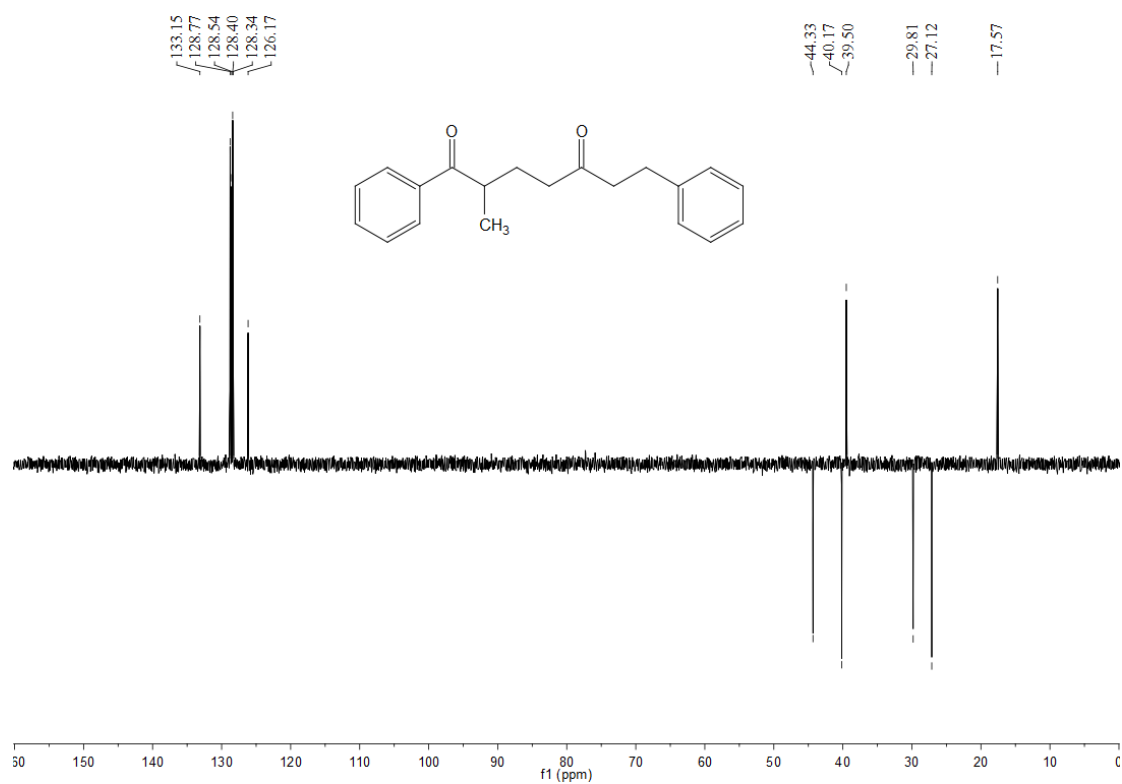


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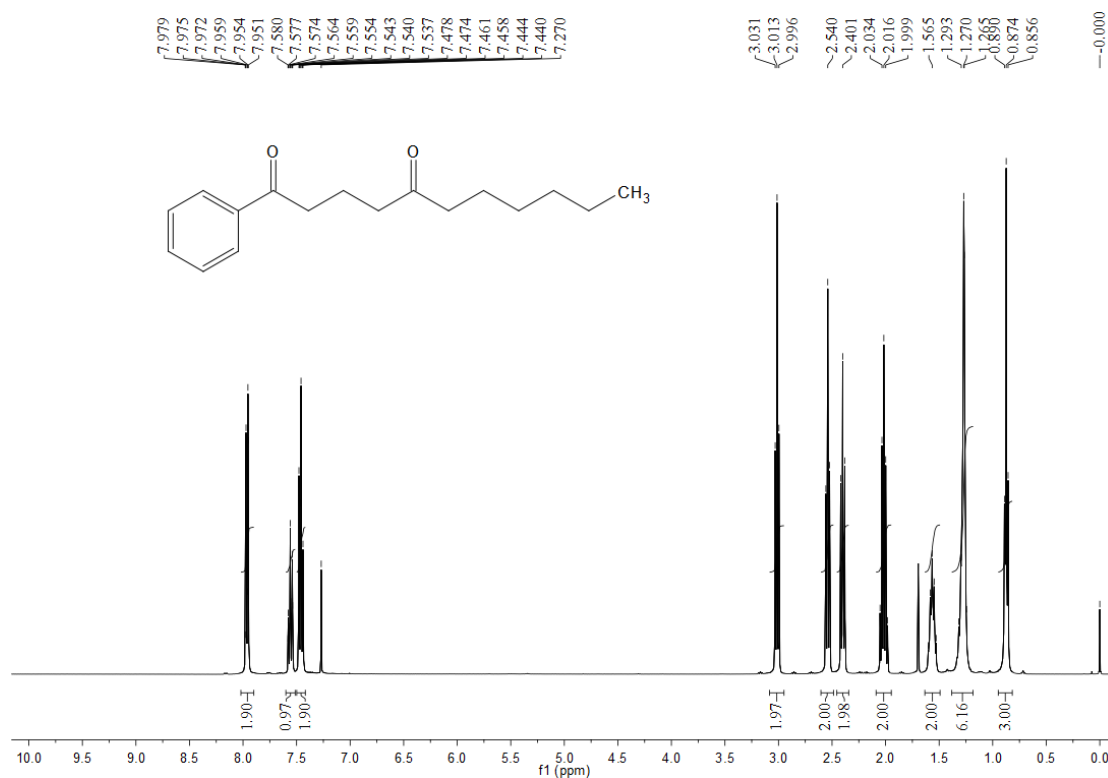
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2-methyl-1,7-diphenylheptane-1,5-dione (3am)



DEPT135 (100 MHz, CDCl₃) of **3am**

1-phenylundecane-1,5-dione (3an)

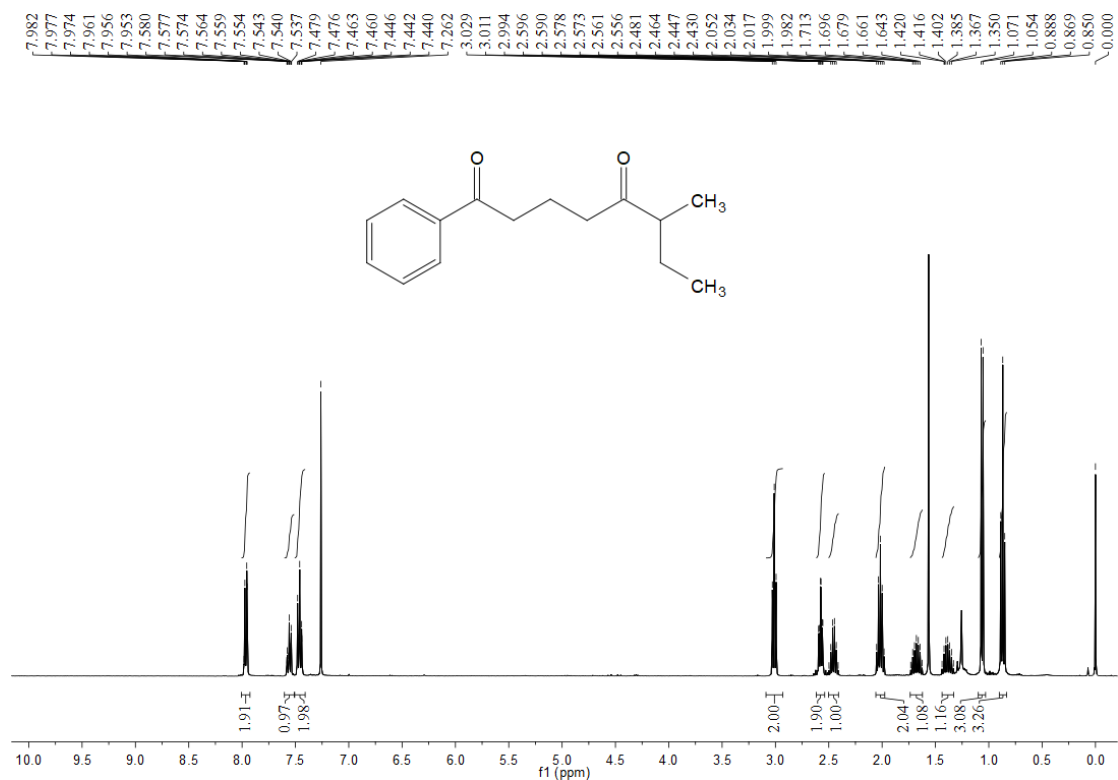


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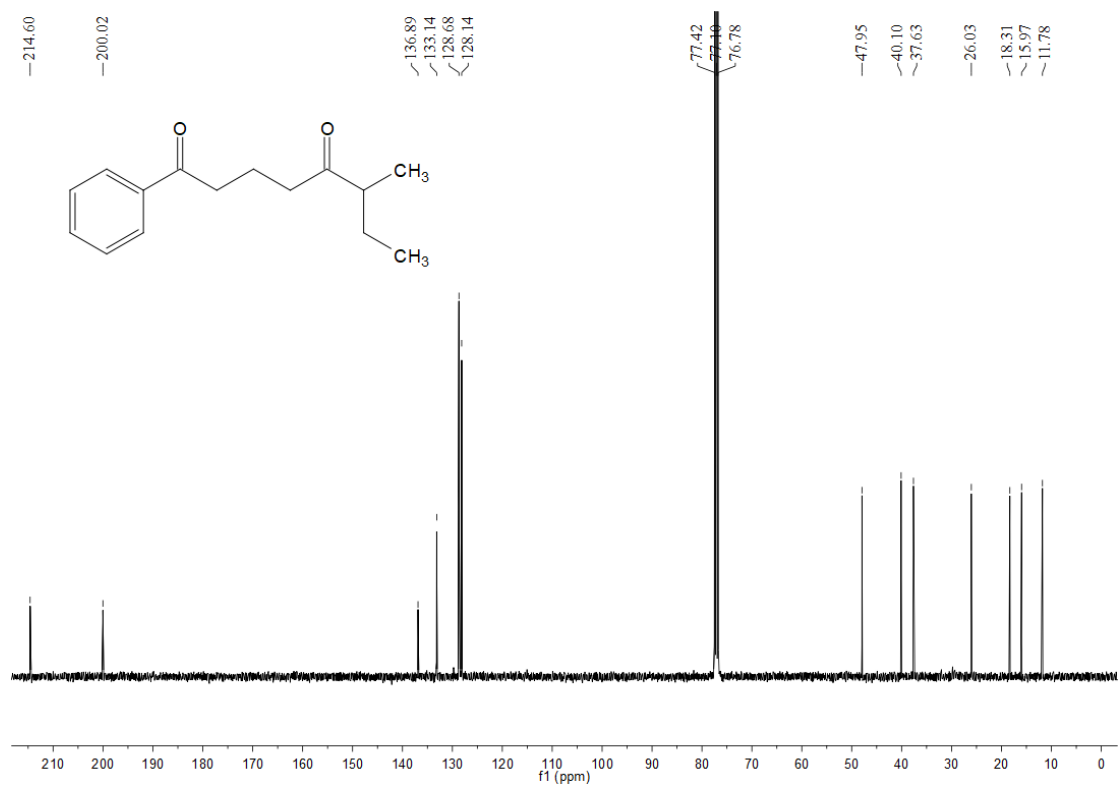


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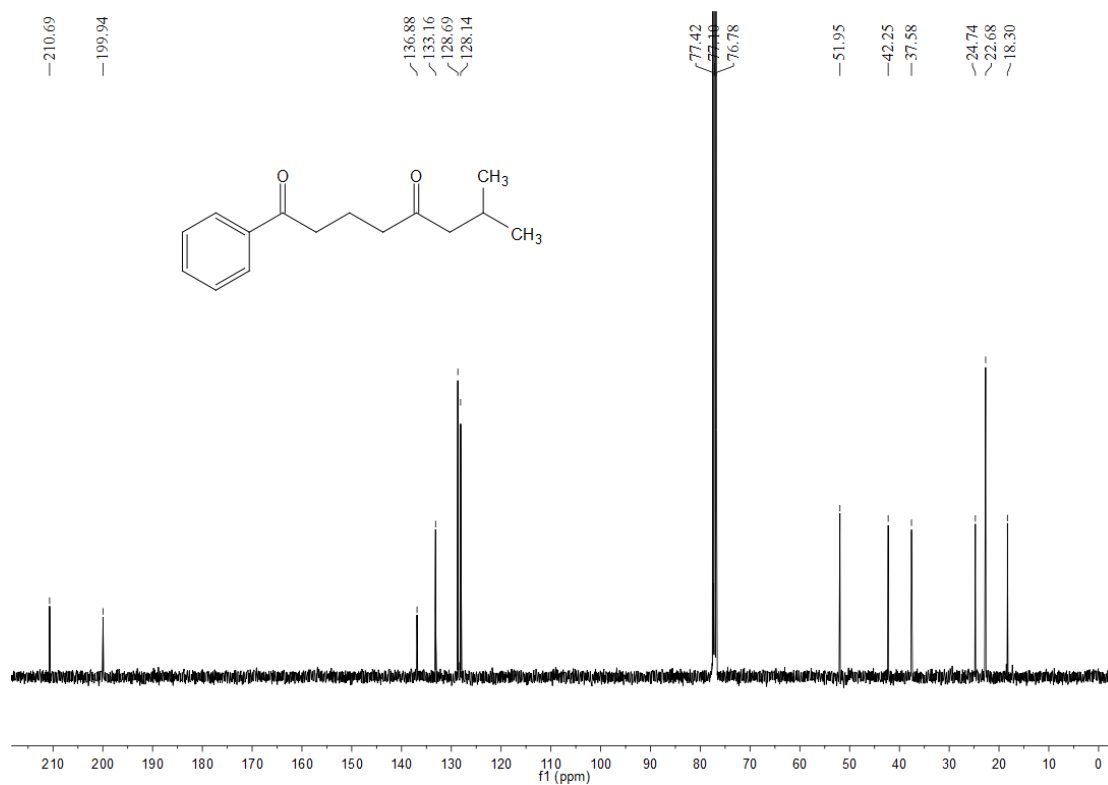
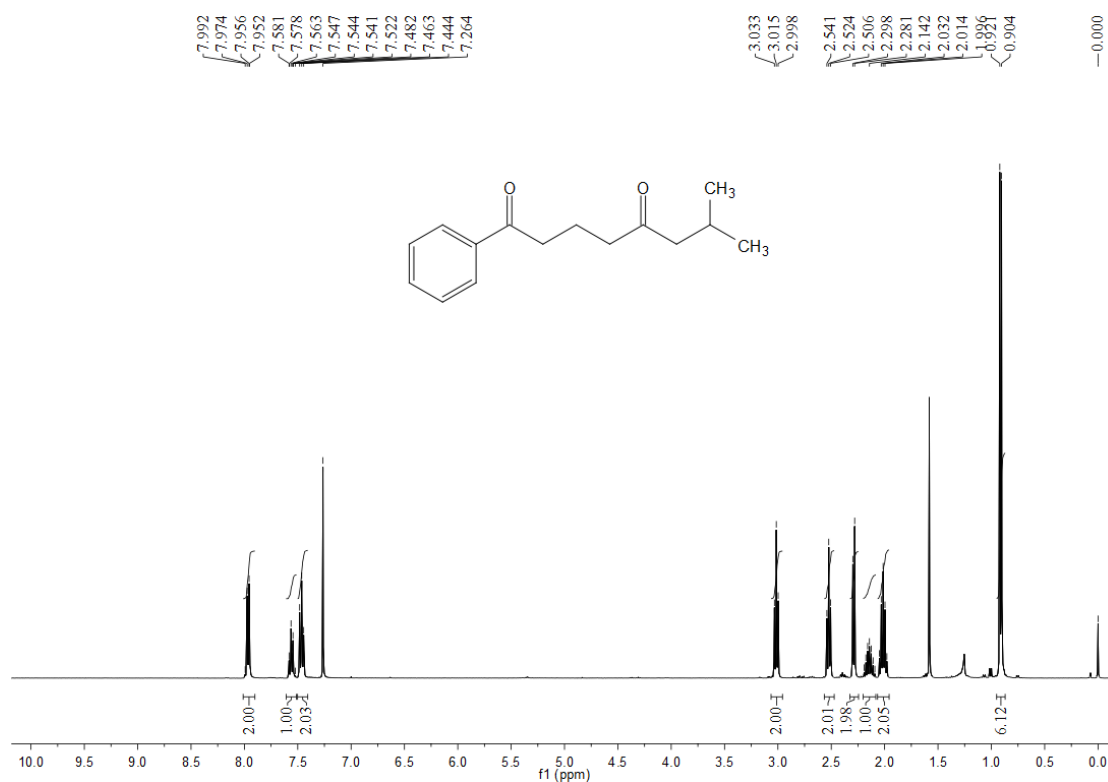


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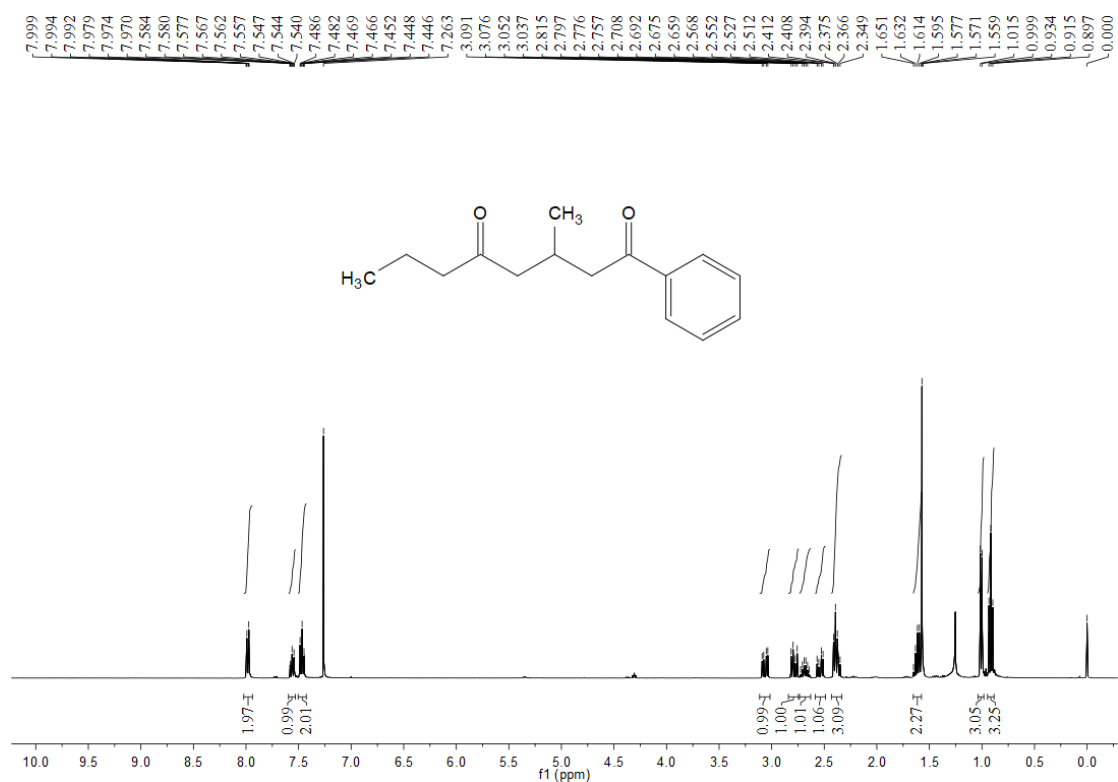


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7-methyl-1-phenyloctane-1,5-dione (3ap)



3-methyl-1-phenyloctane-1,5-dione (3ap')

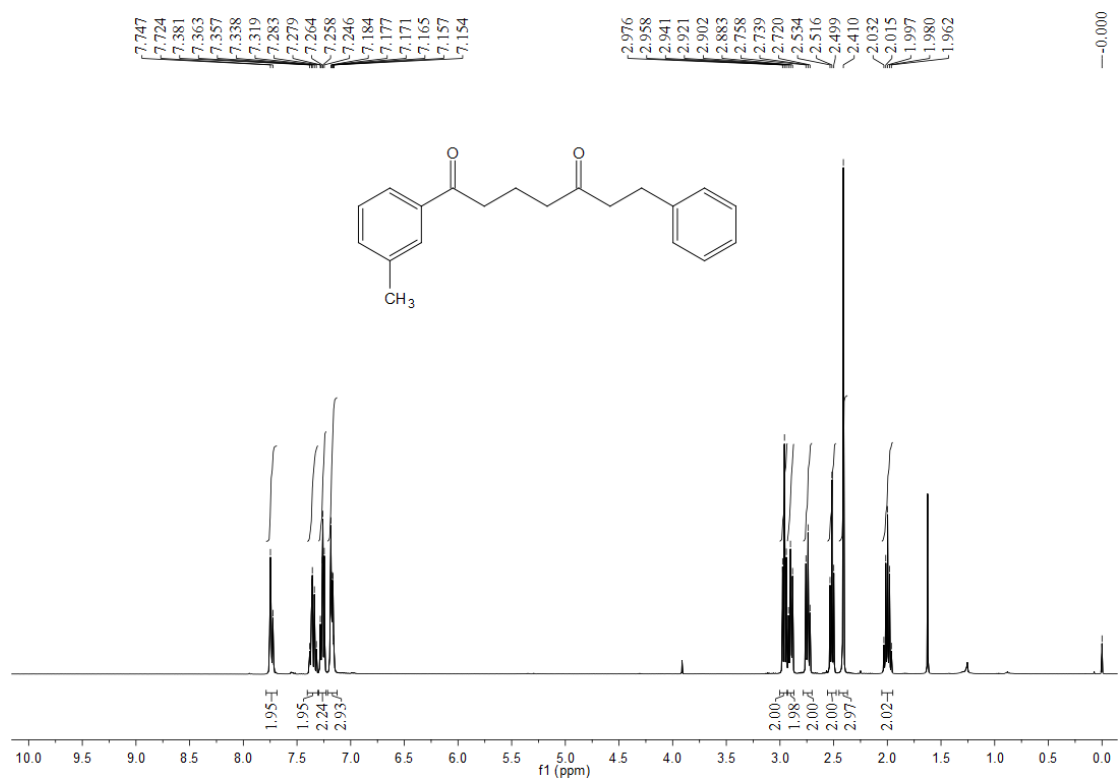


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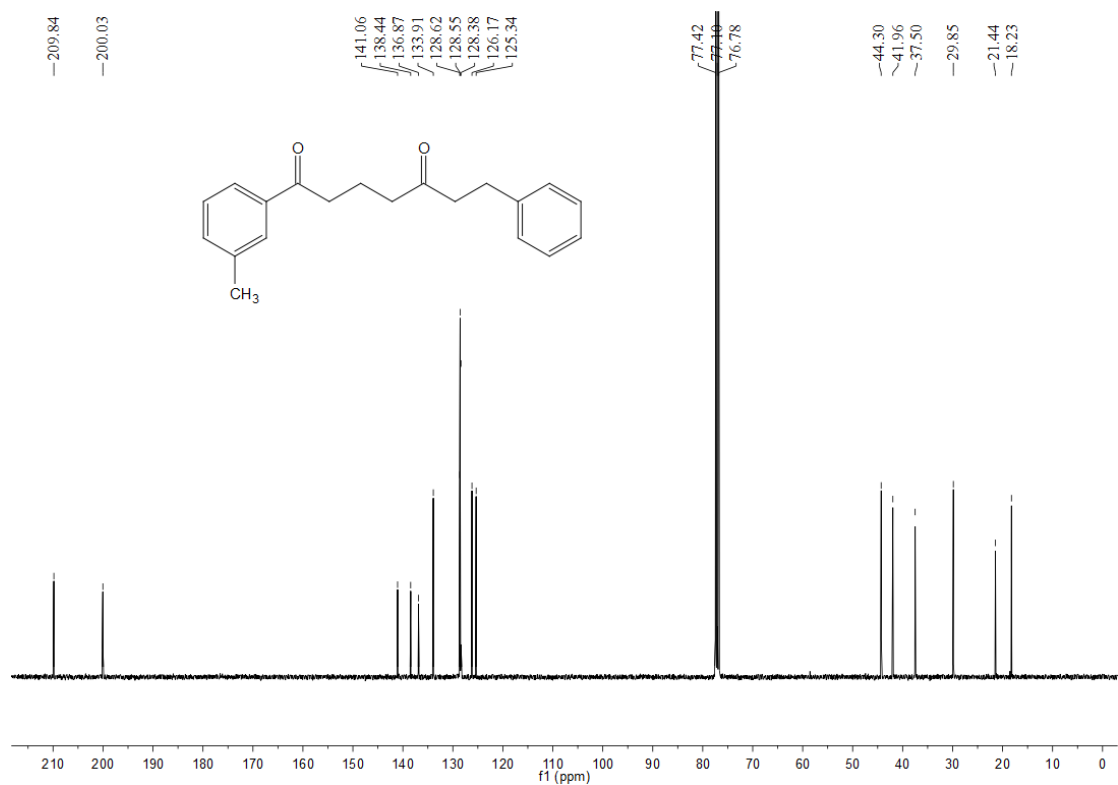


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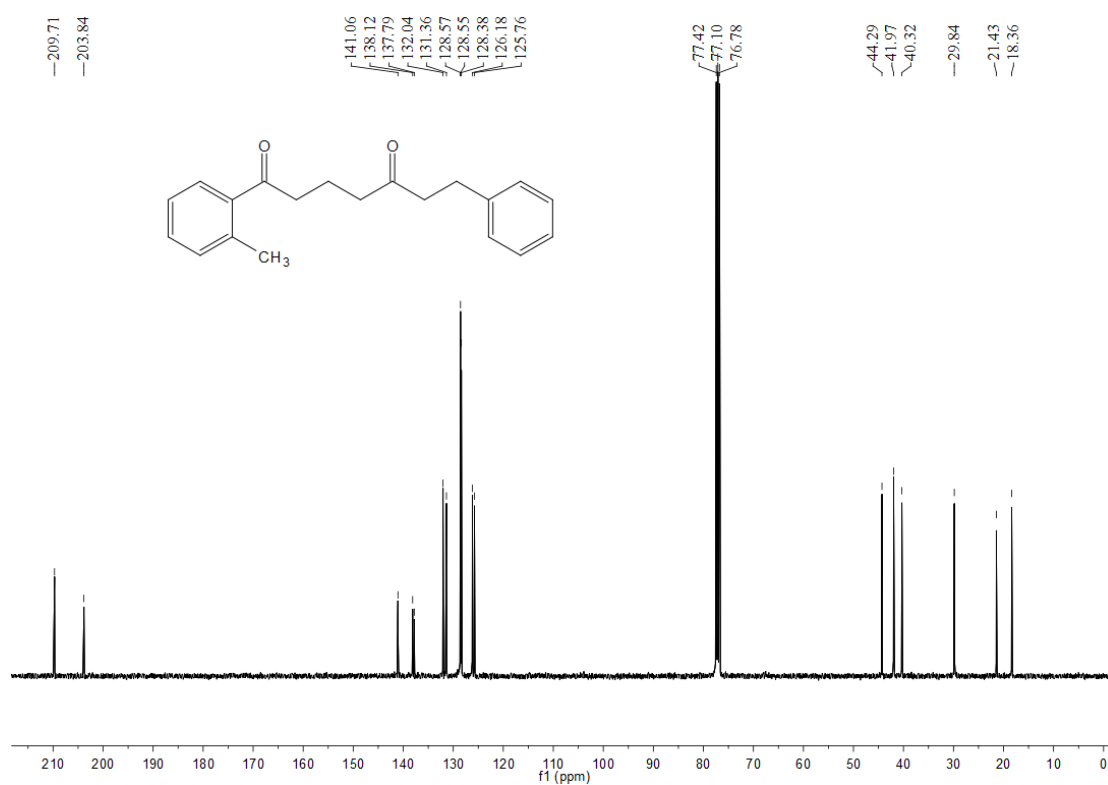
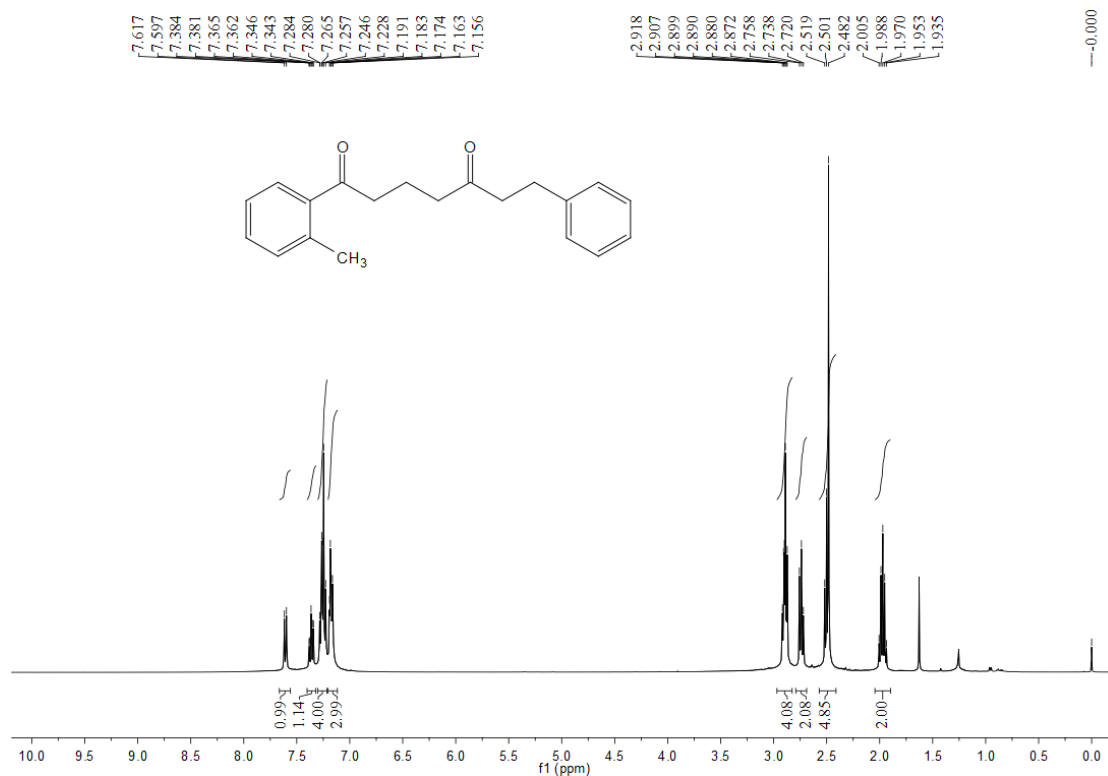


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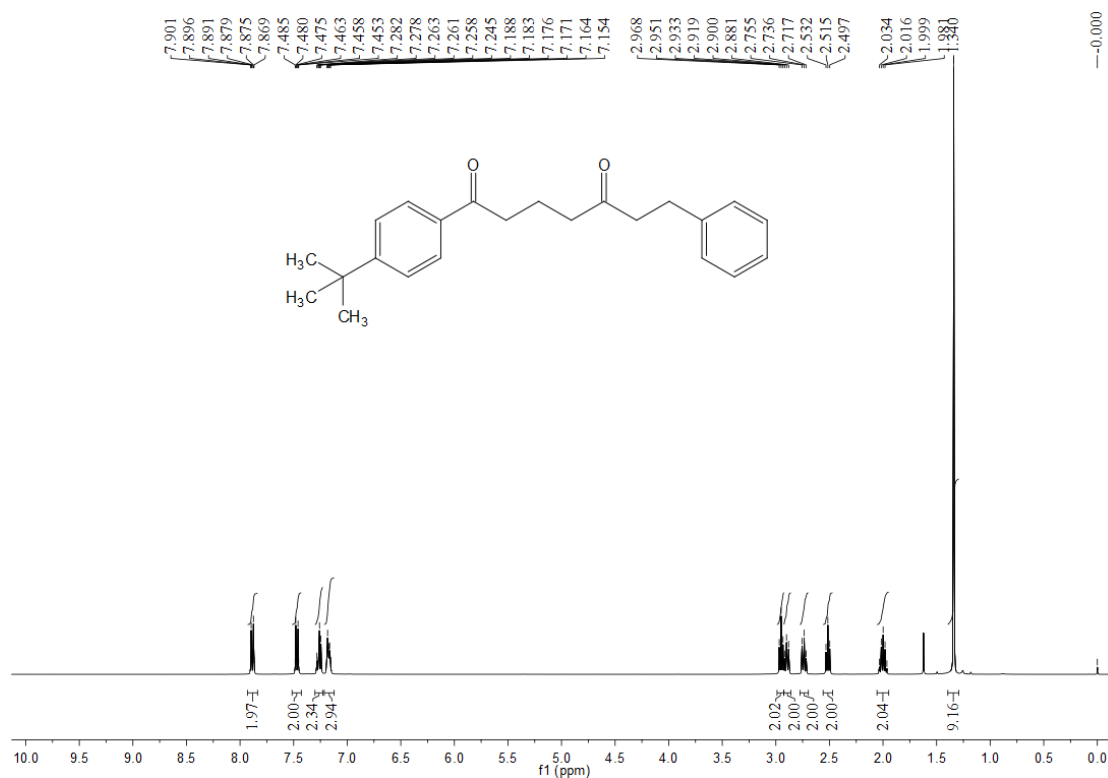


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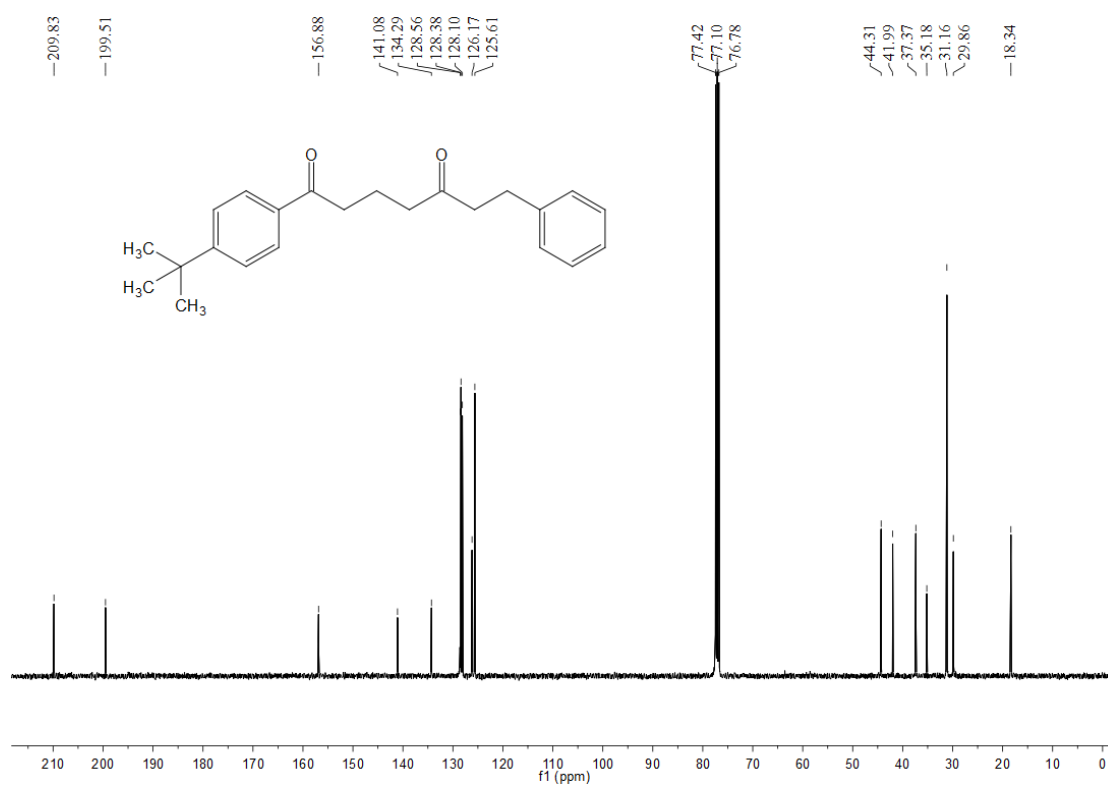
7-phenyl-1-(o-tolyl)heptane-1,5-dione (3ca)



1-(4-(*tert*-butyl)phenyl)-7-phenylheptane-1,5-dione (3da)

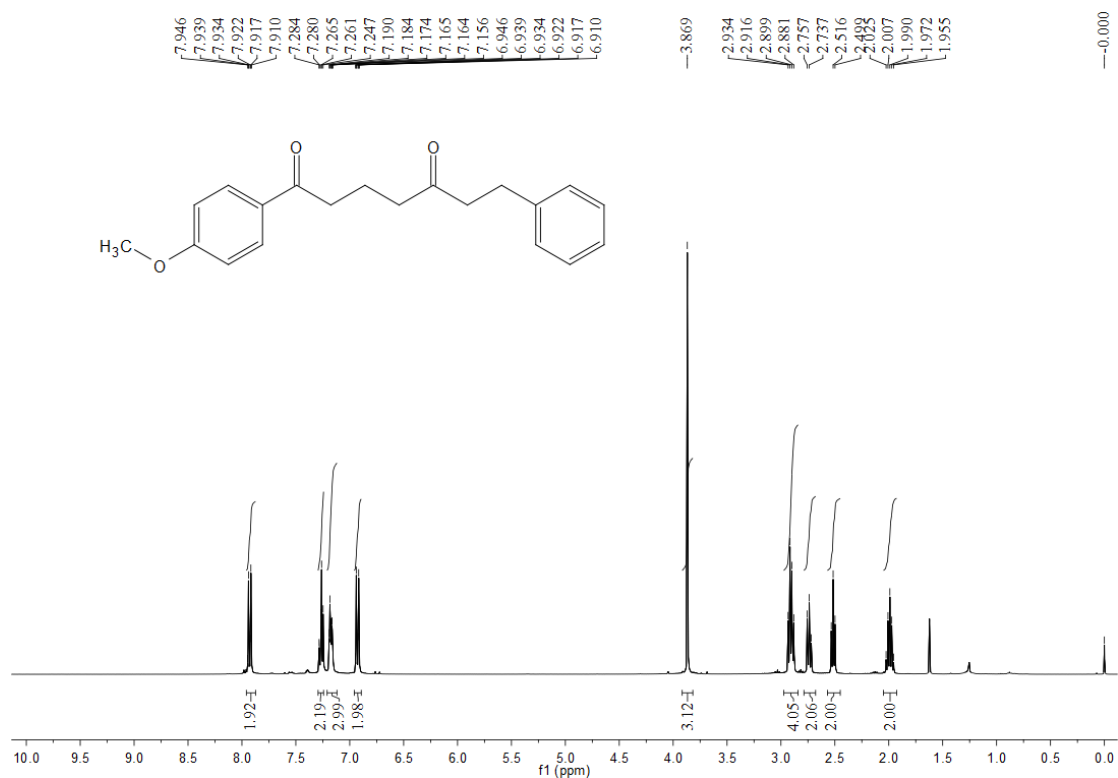


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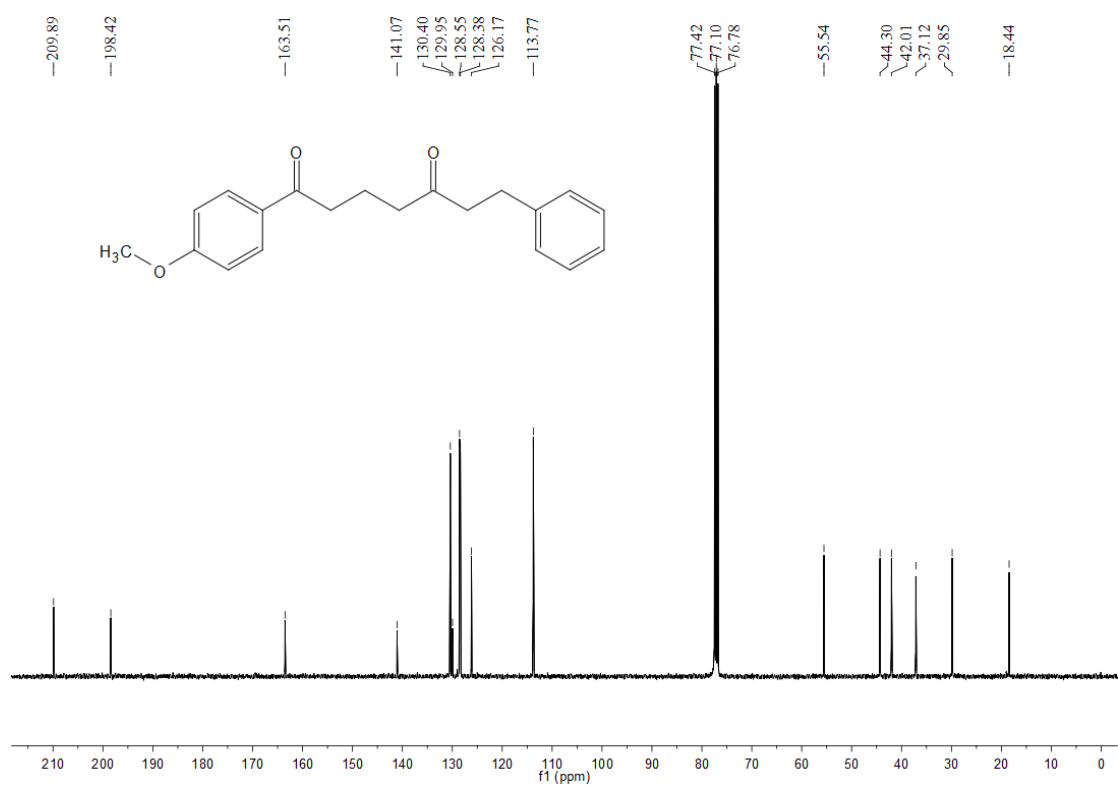


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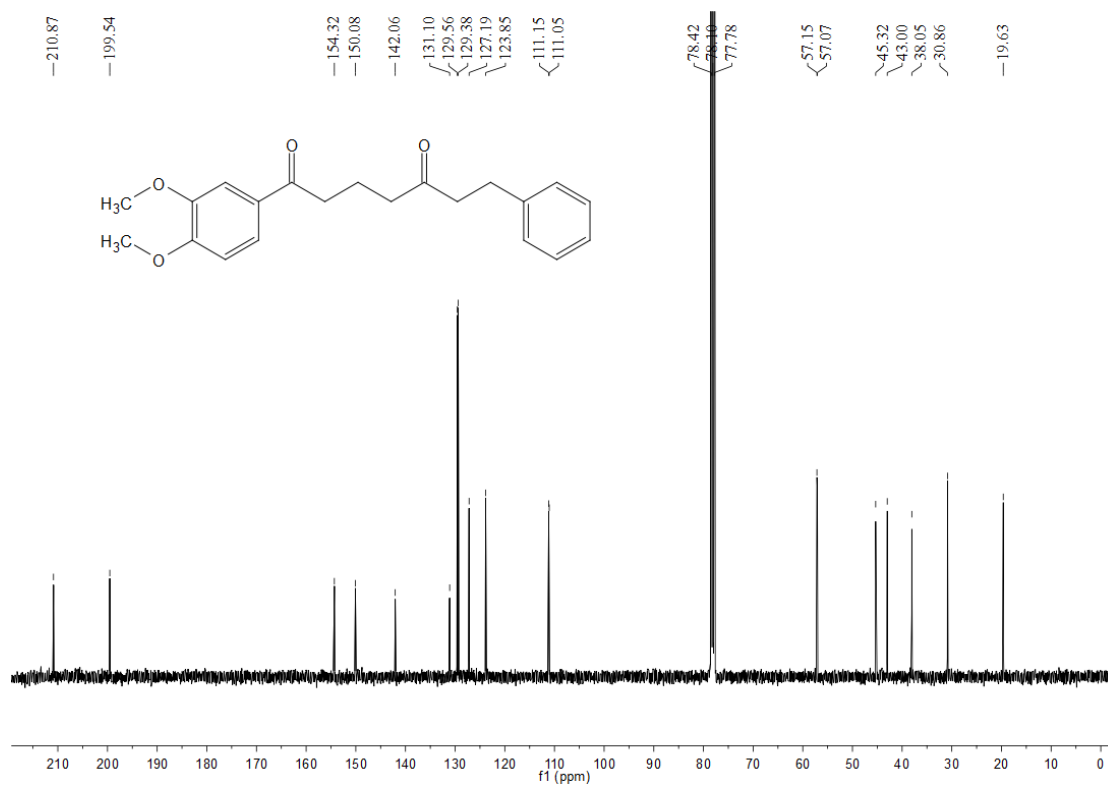
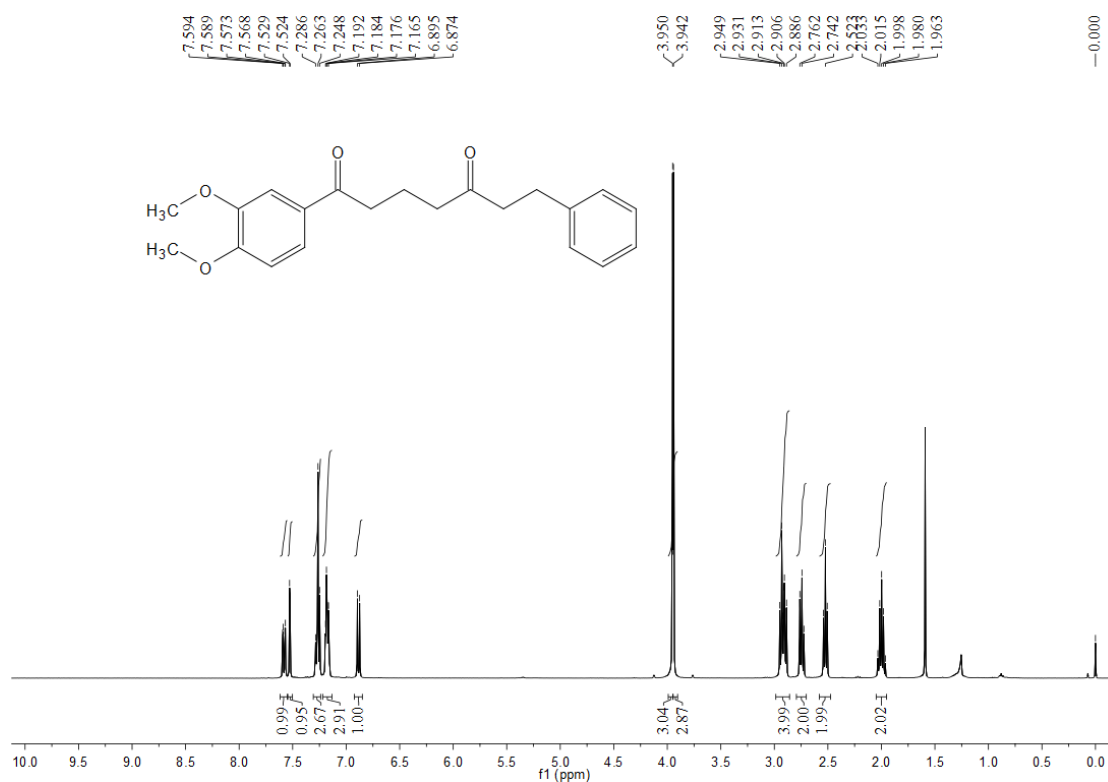


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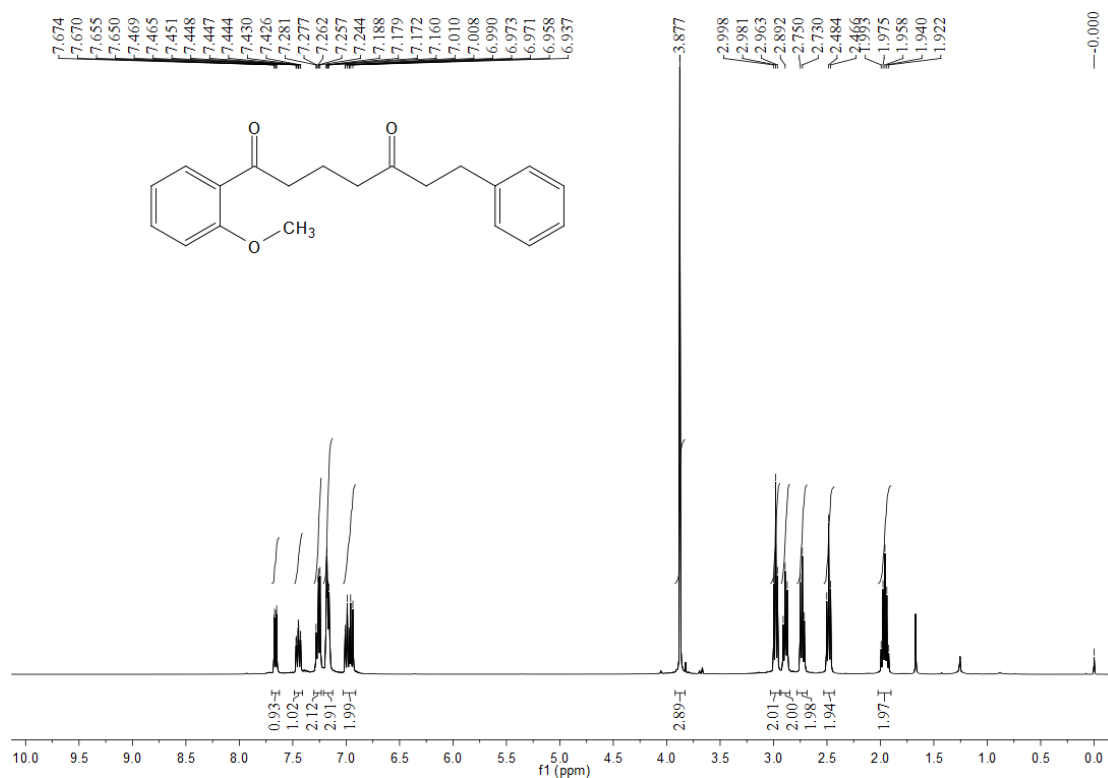


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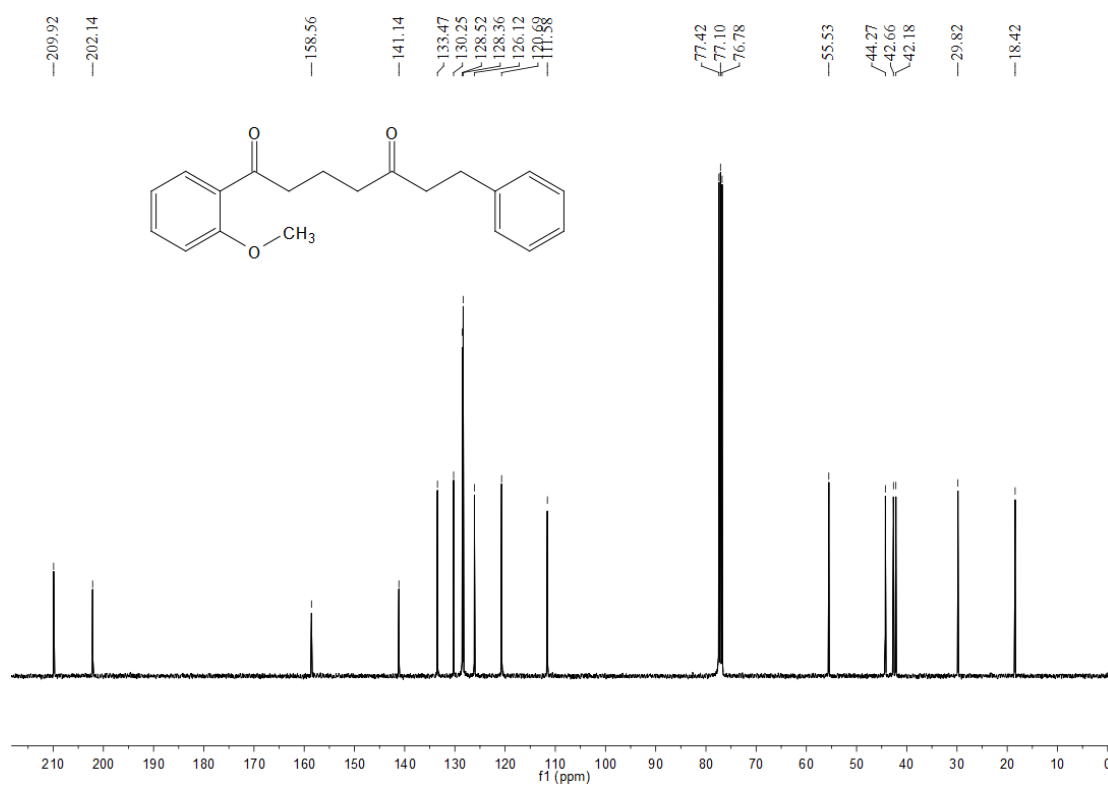
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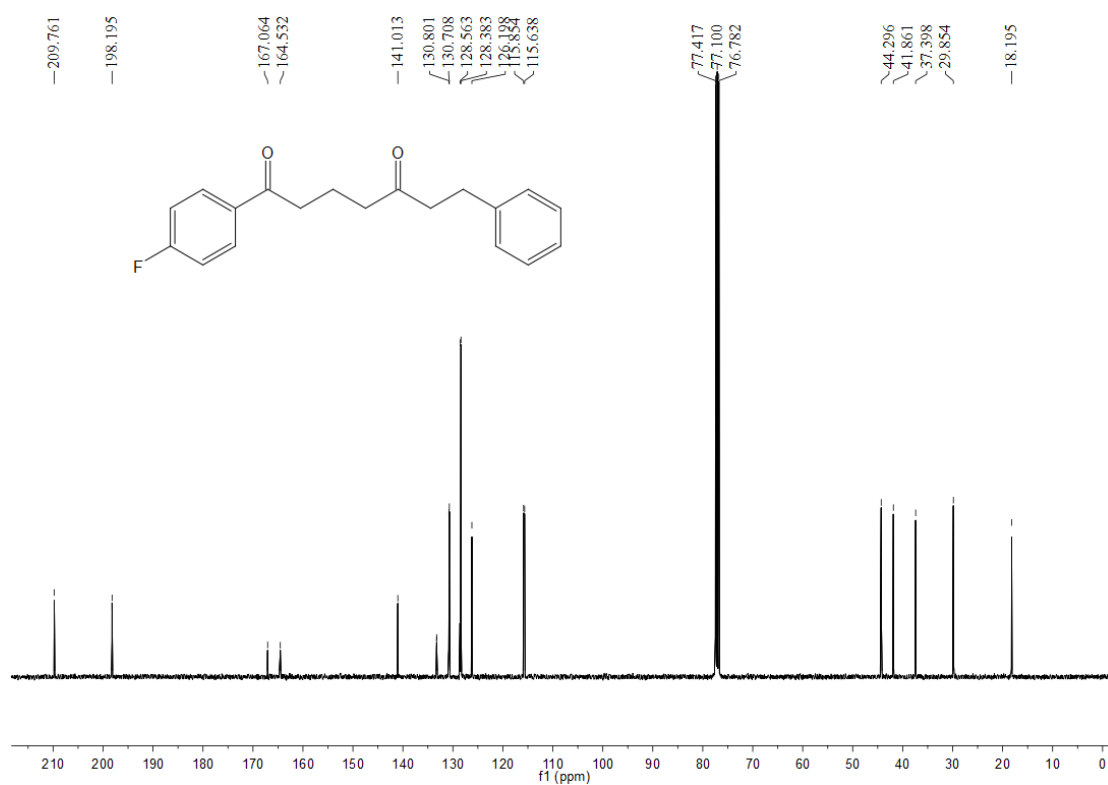
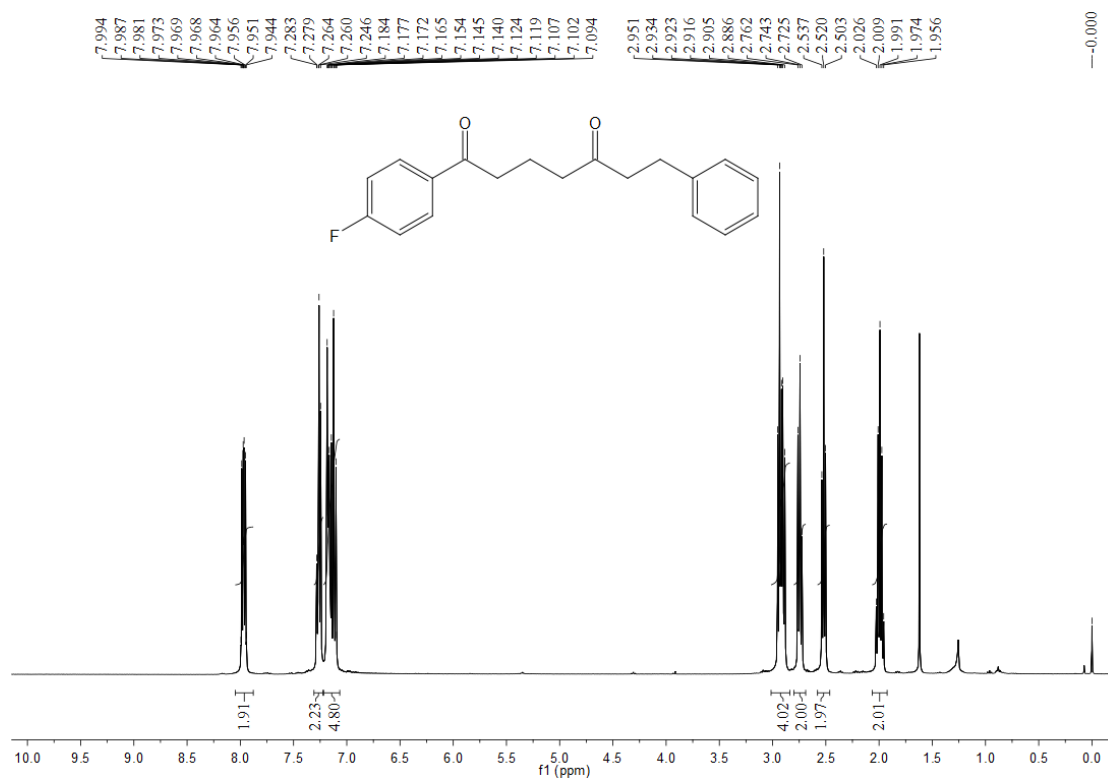


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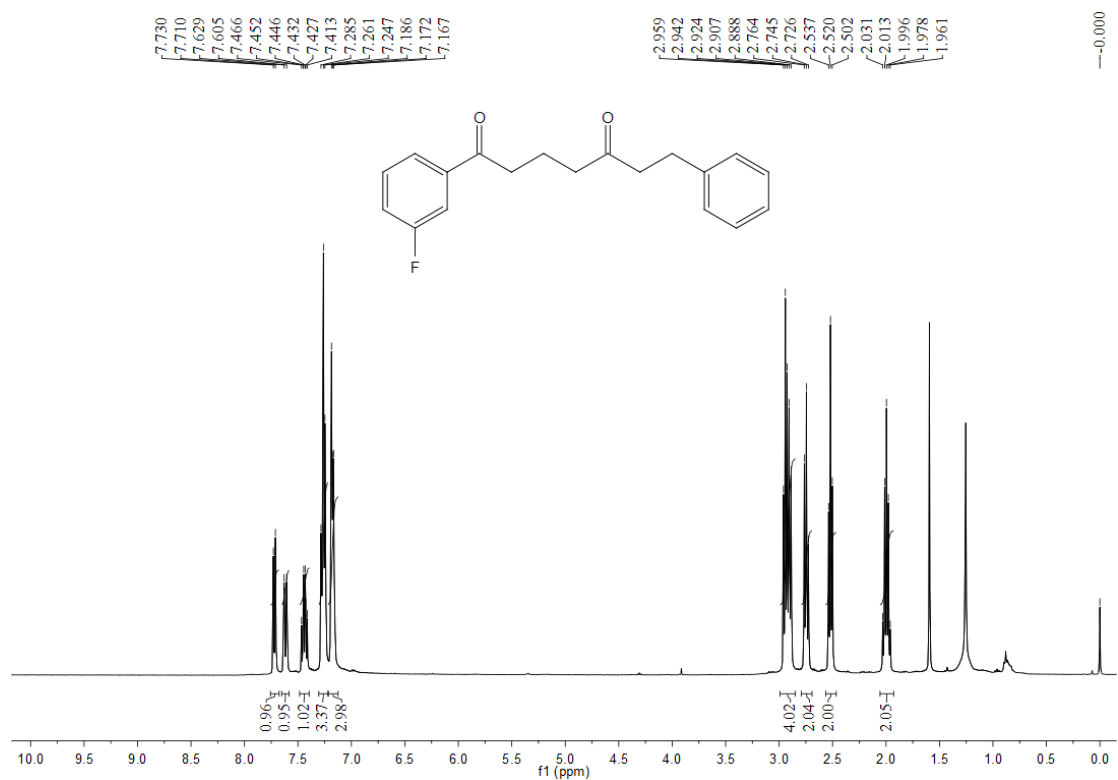


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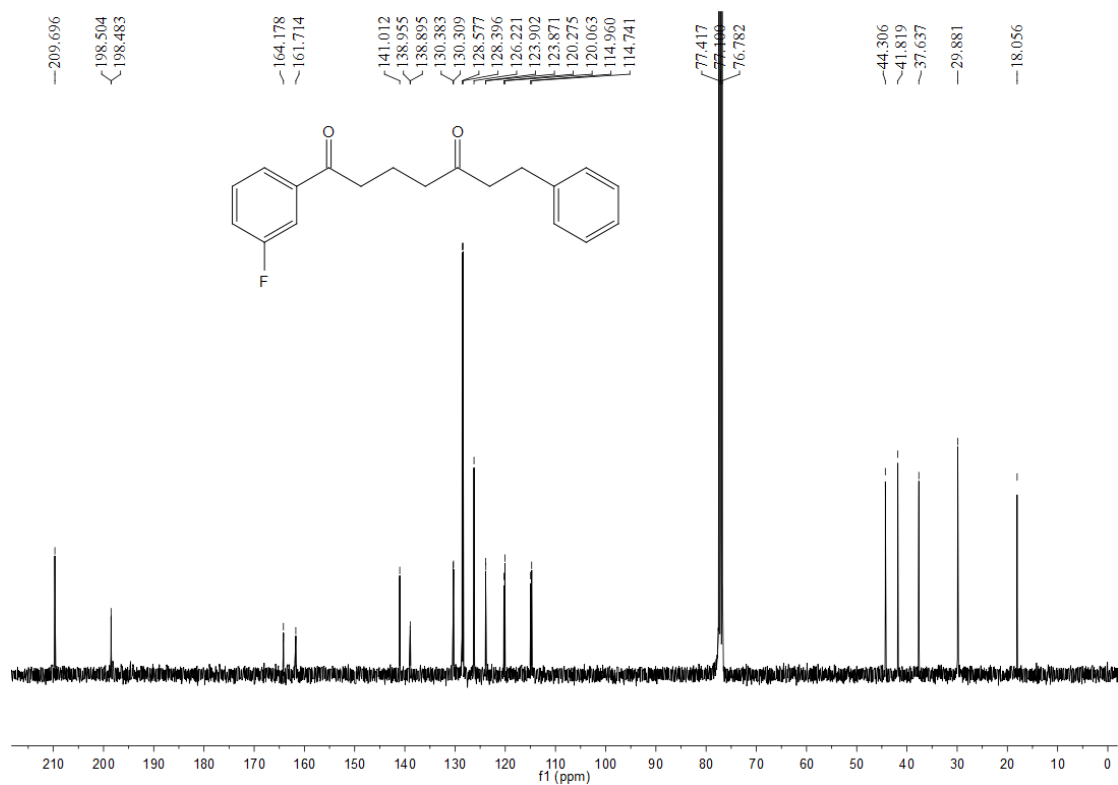
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1-(3-fluorophenyl)-7-phenylheptane-1,5-dione (3ia)

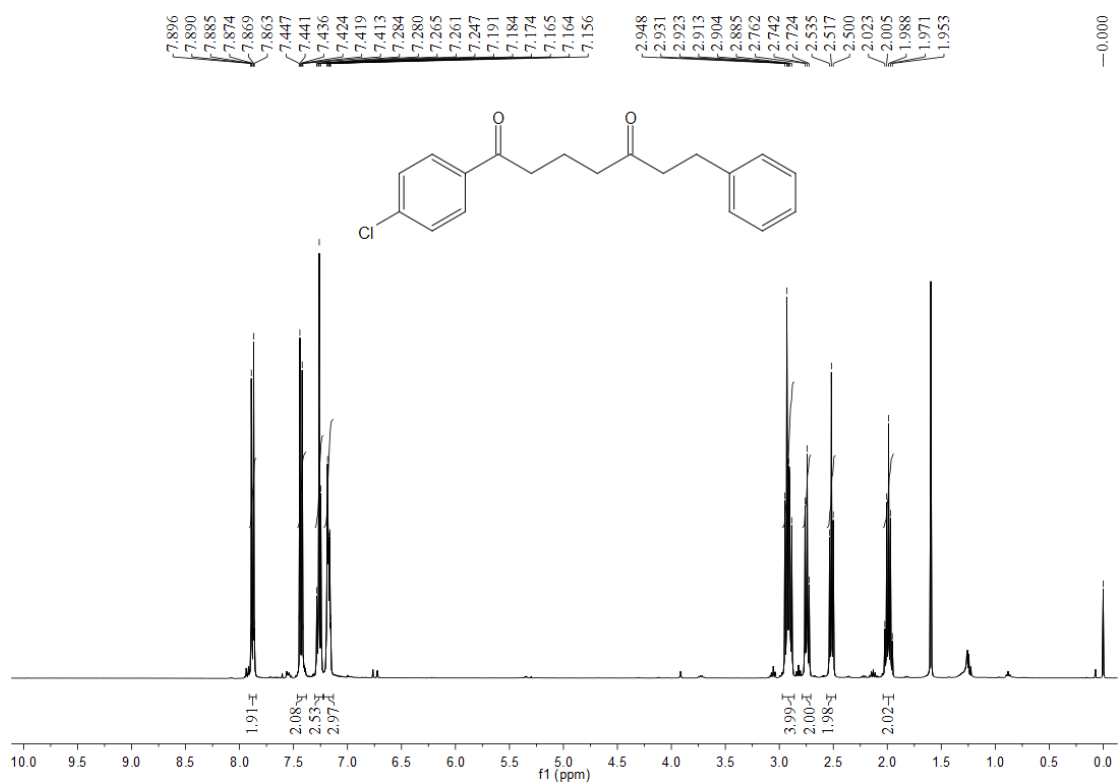


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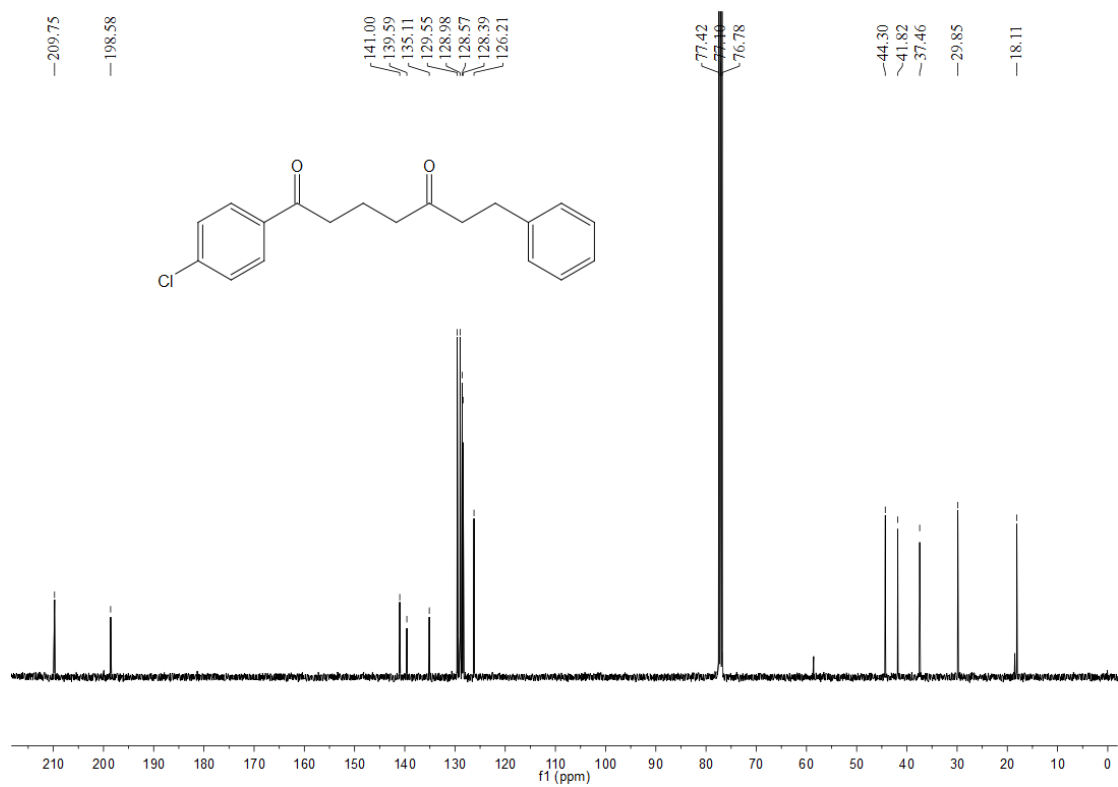


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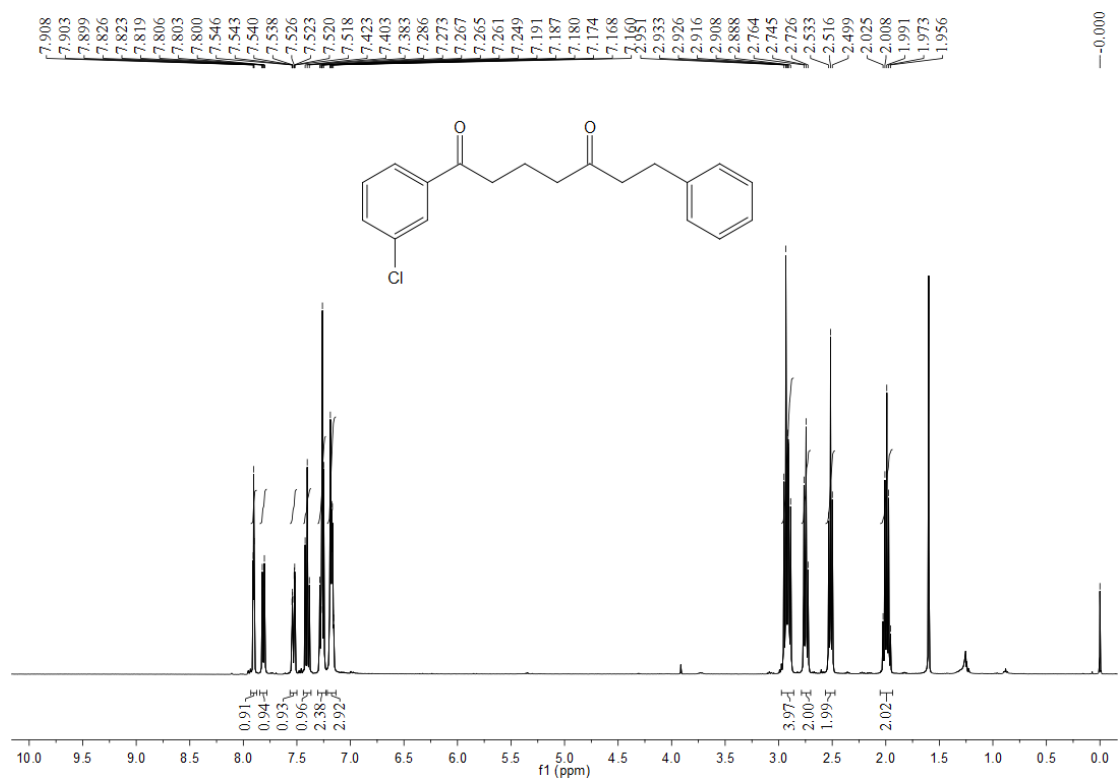


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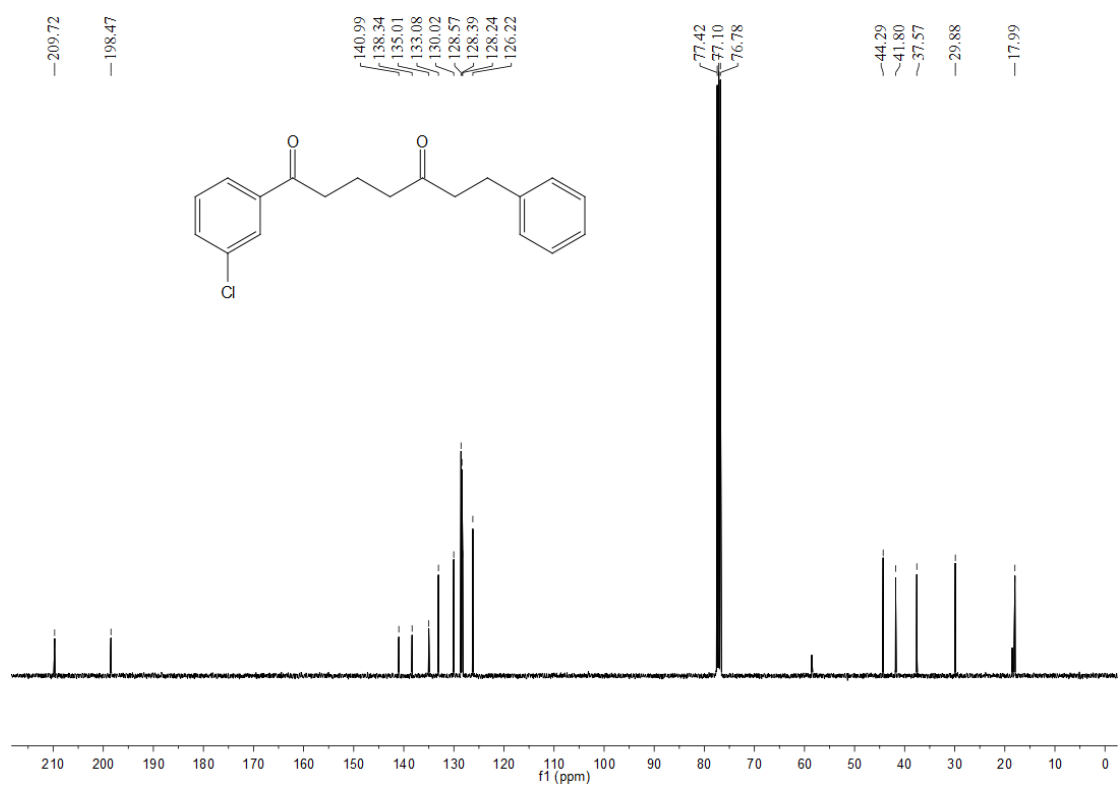


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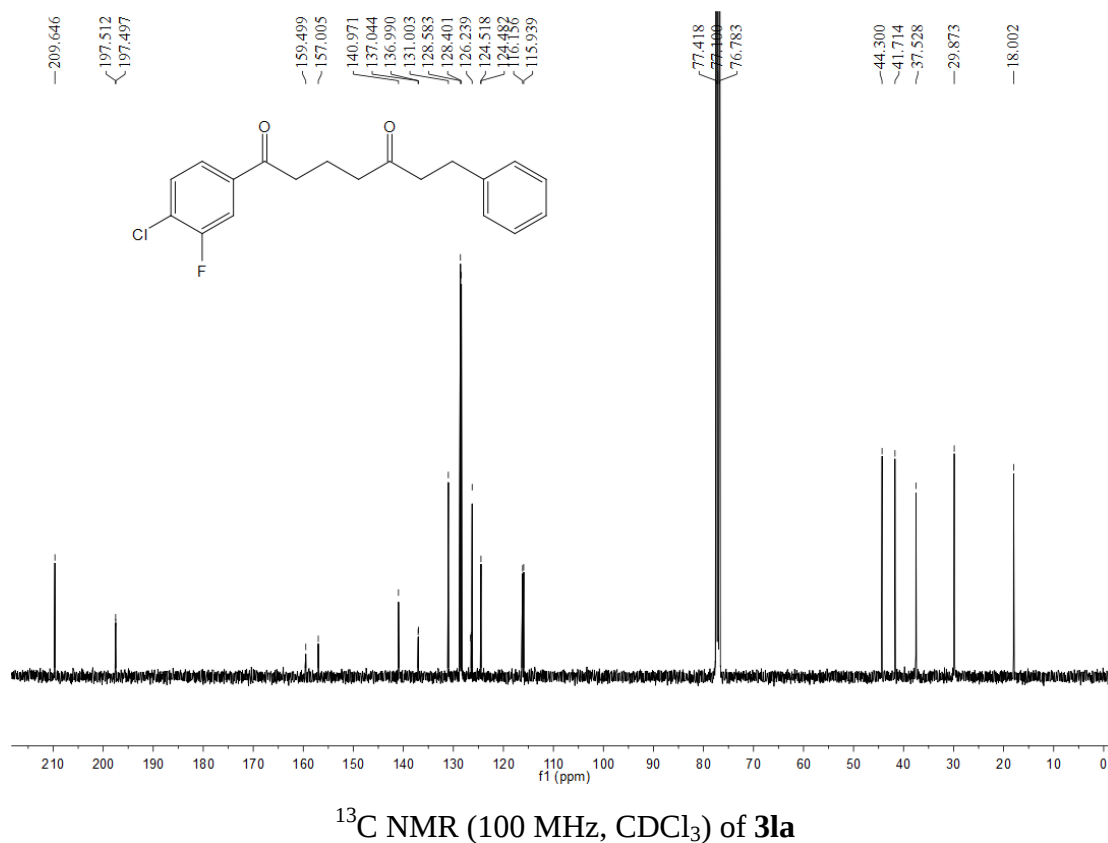
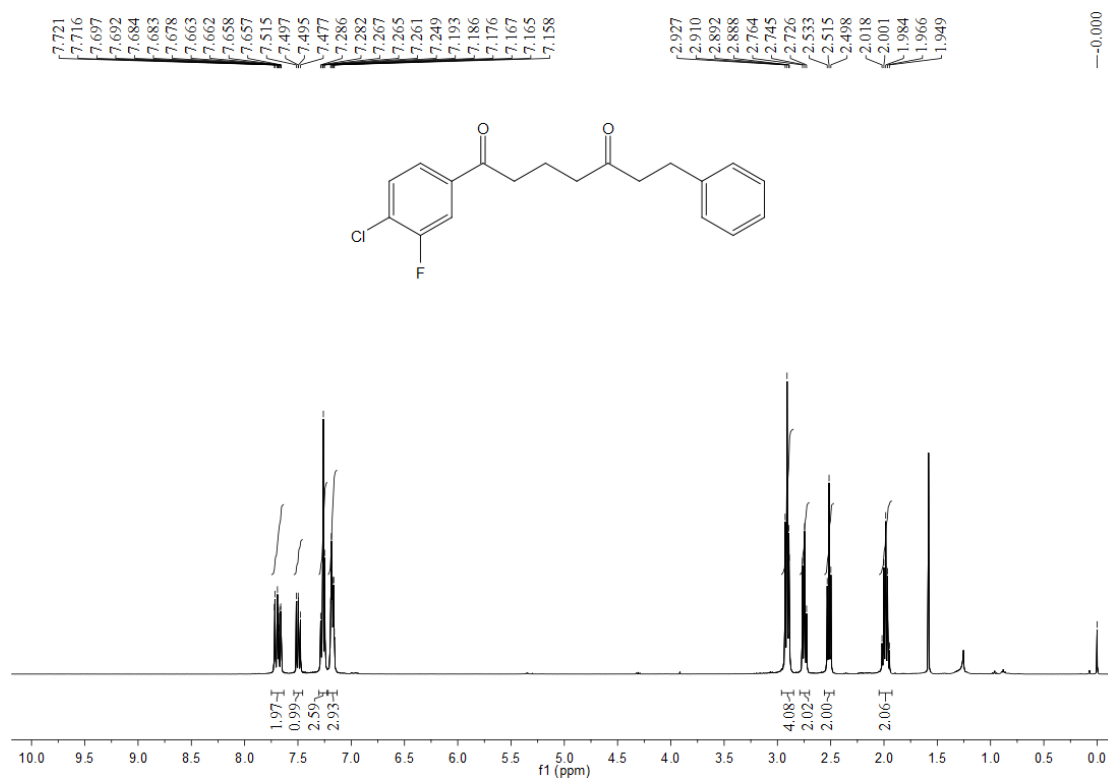


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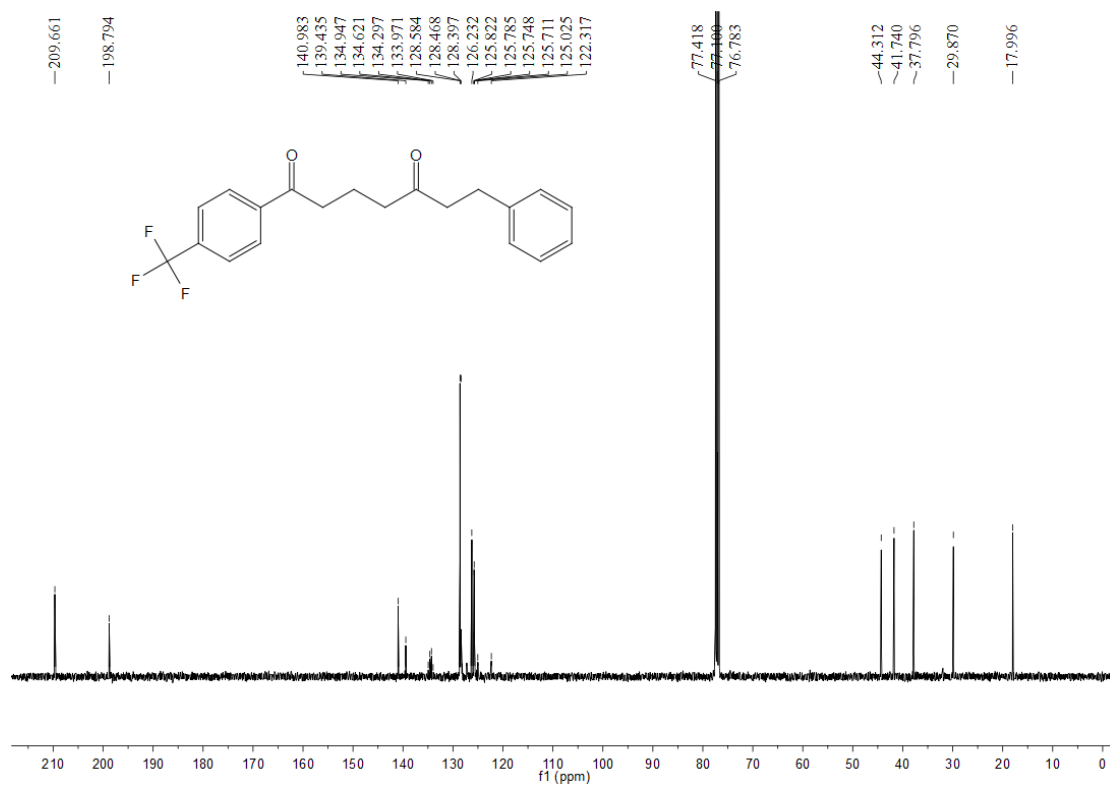
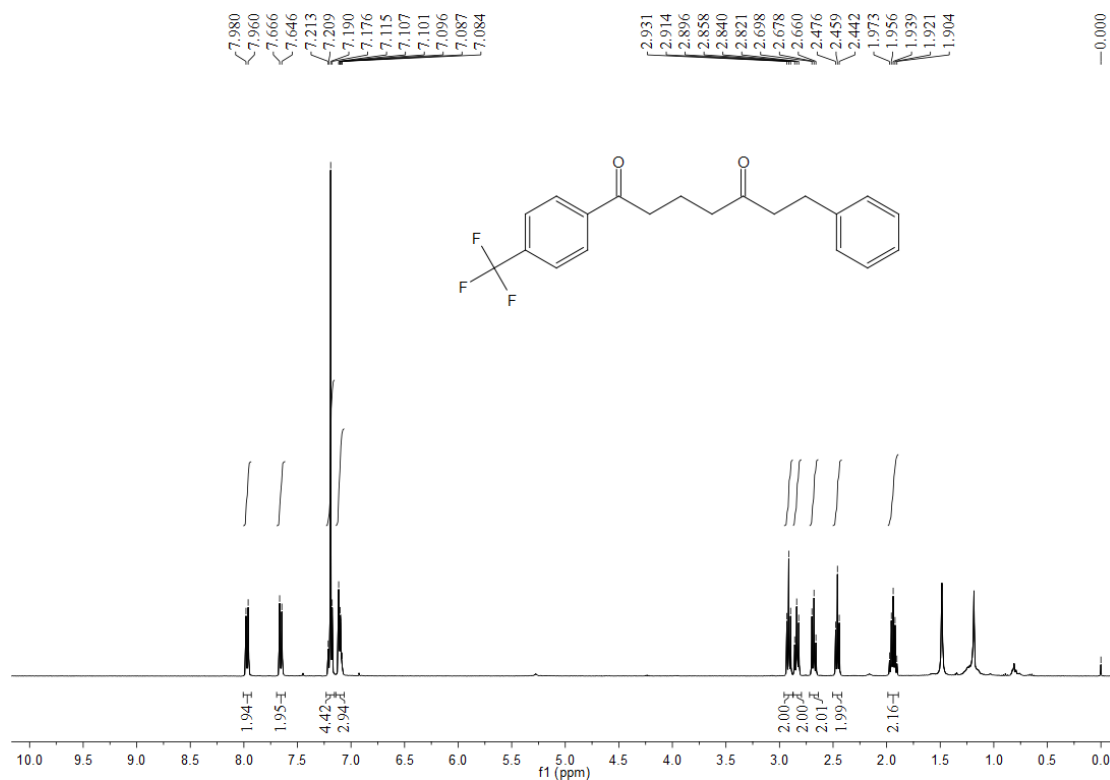


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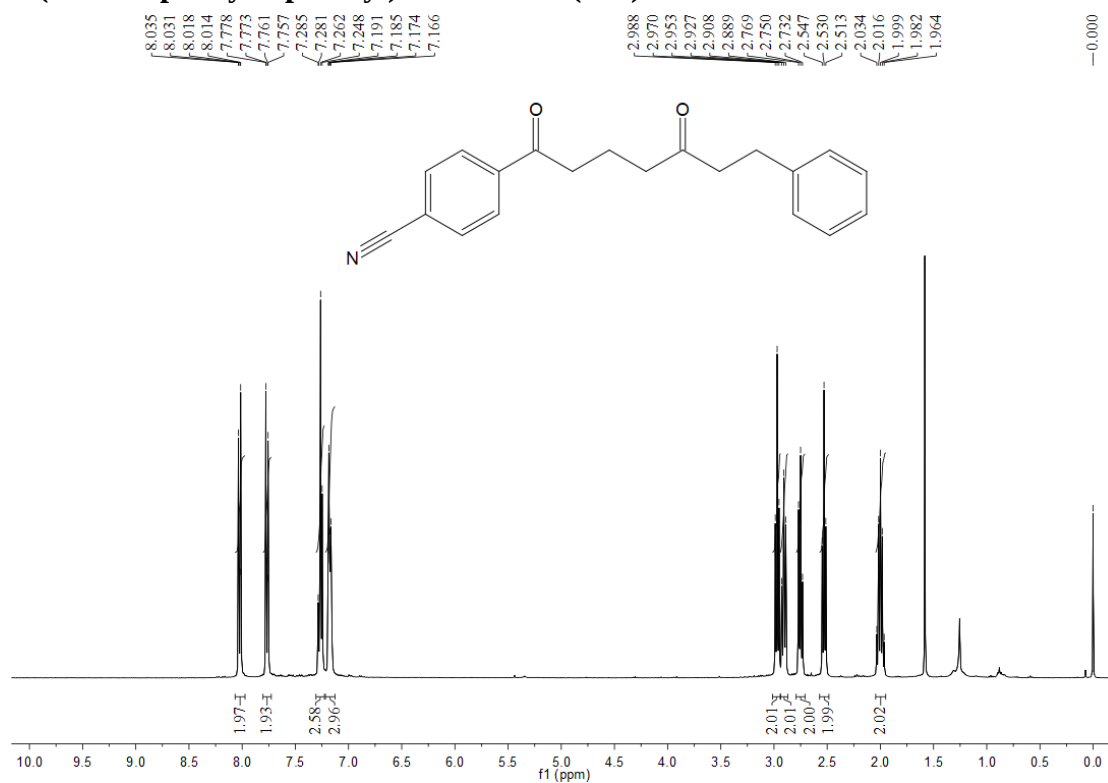
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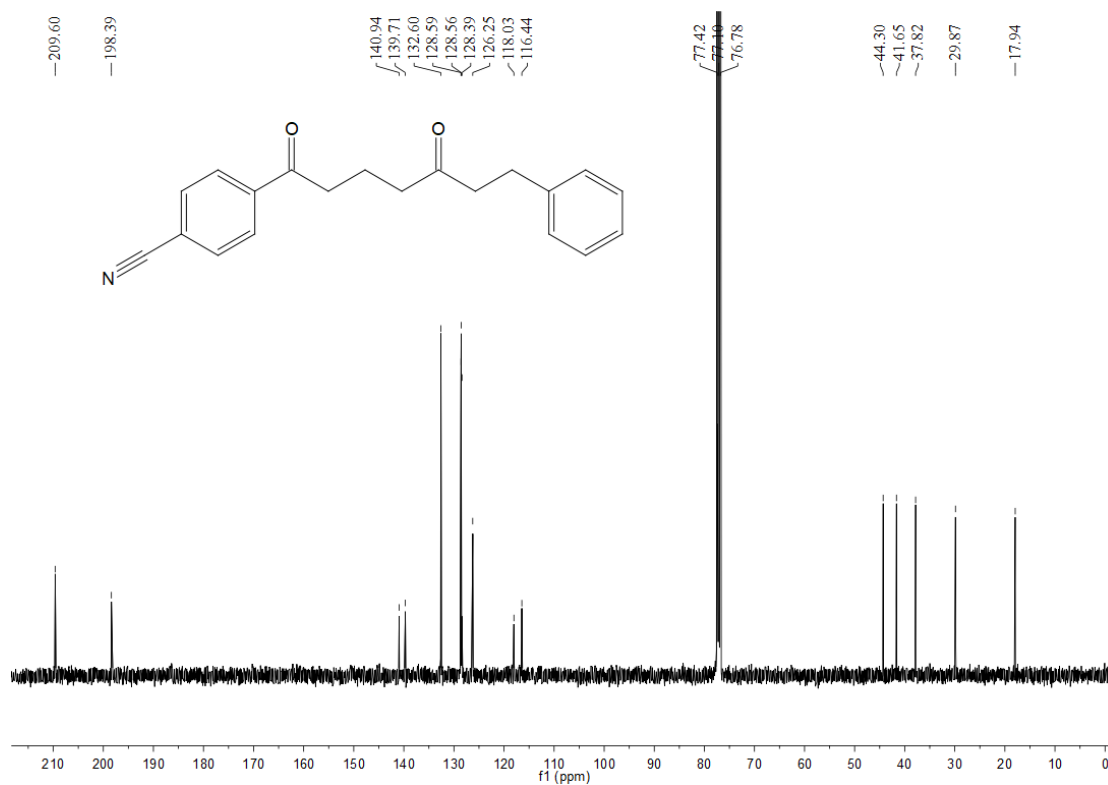
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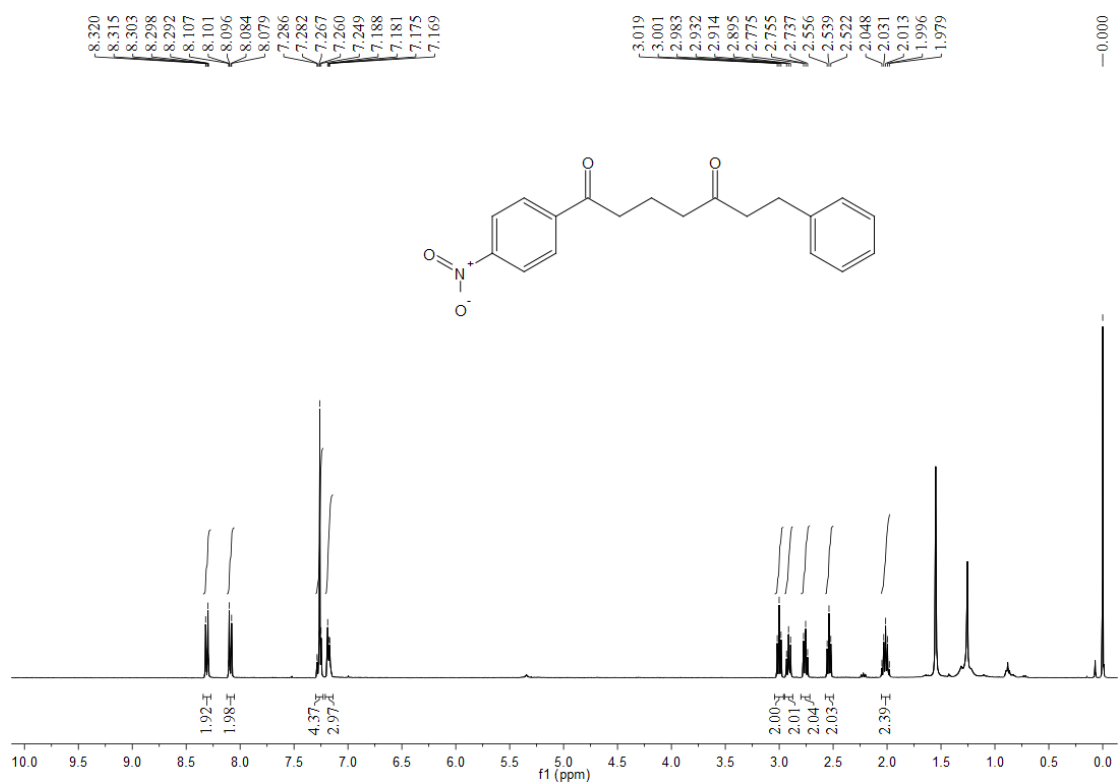


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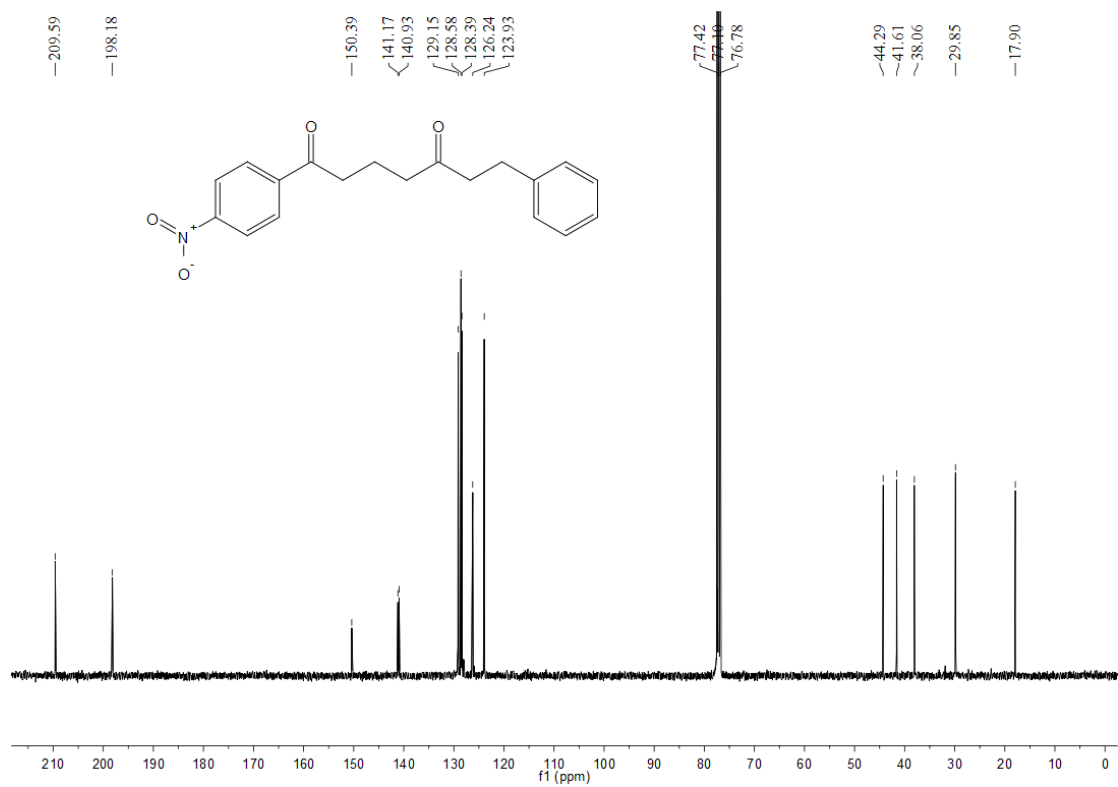


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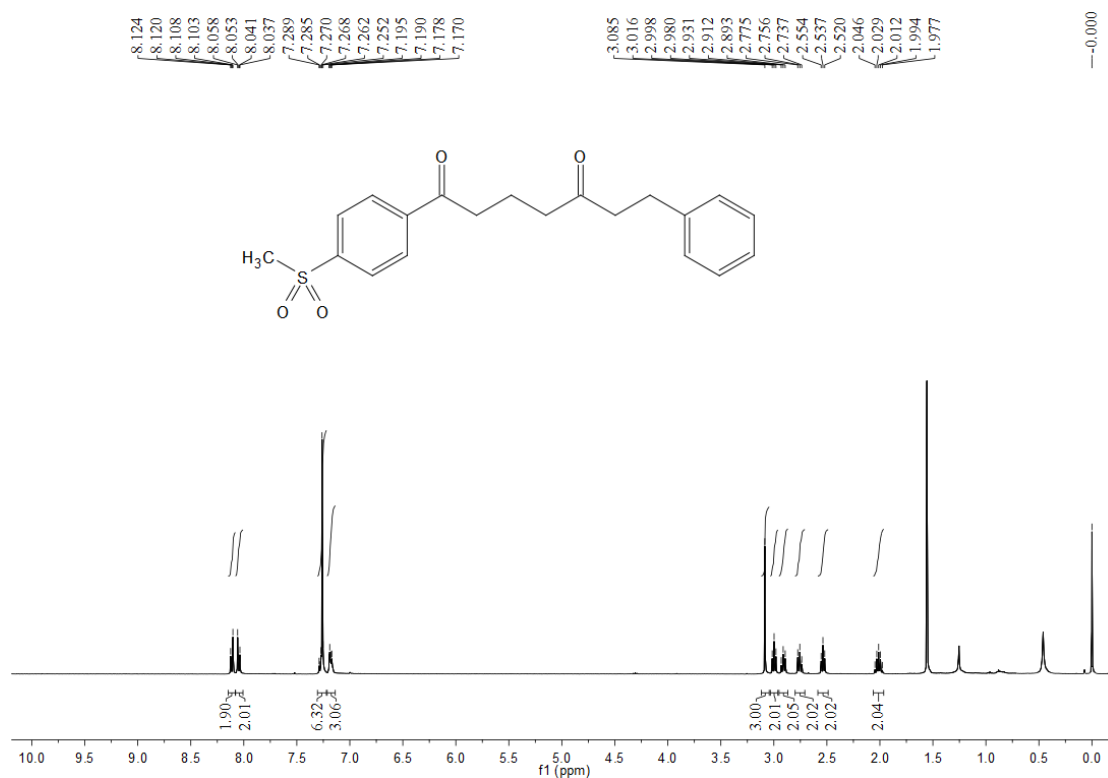


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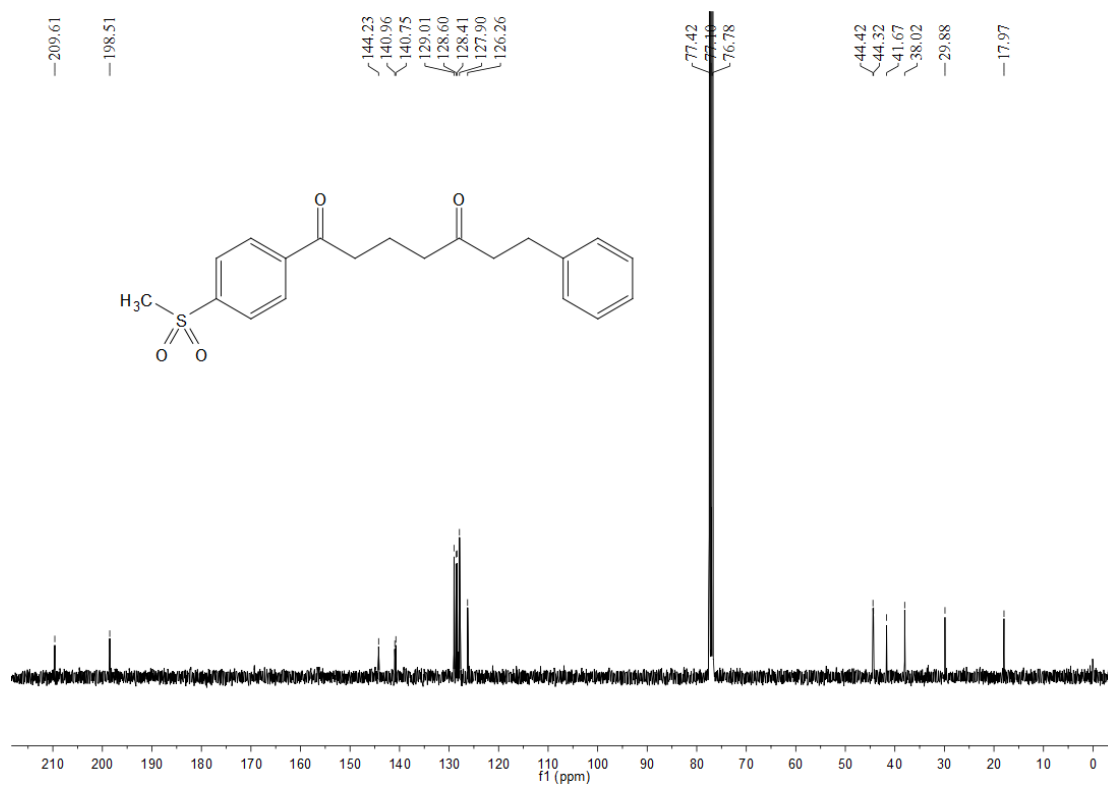


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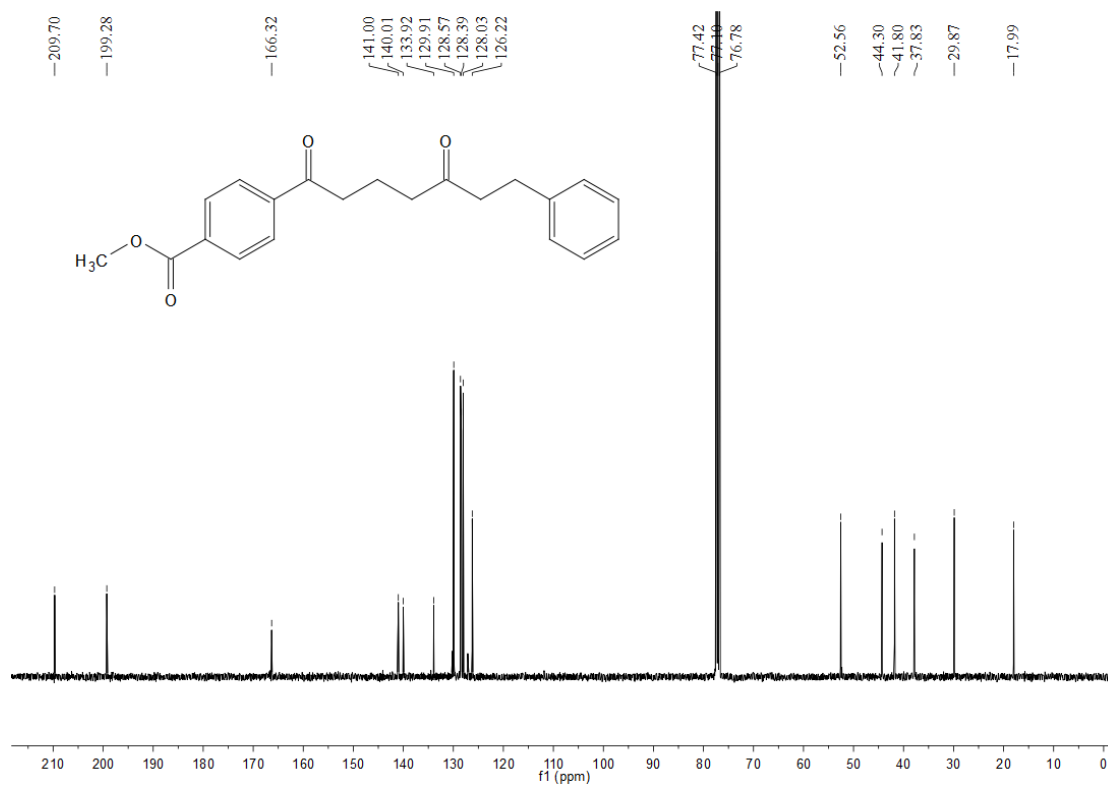
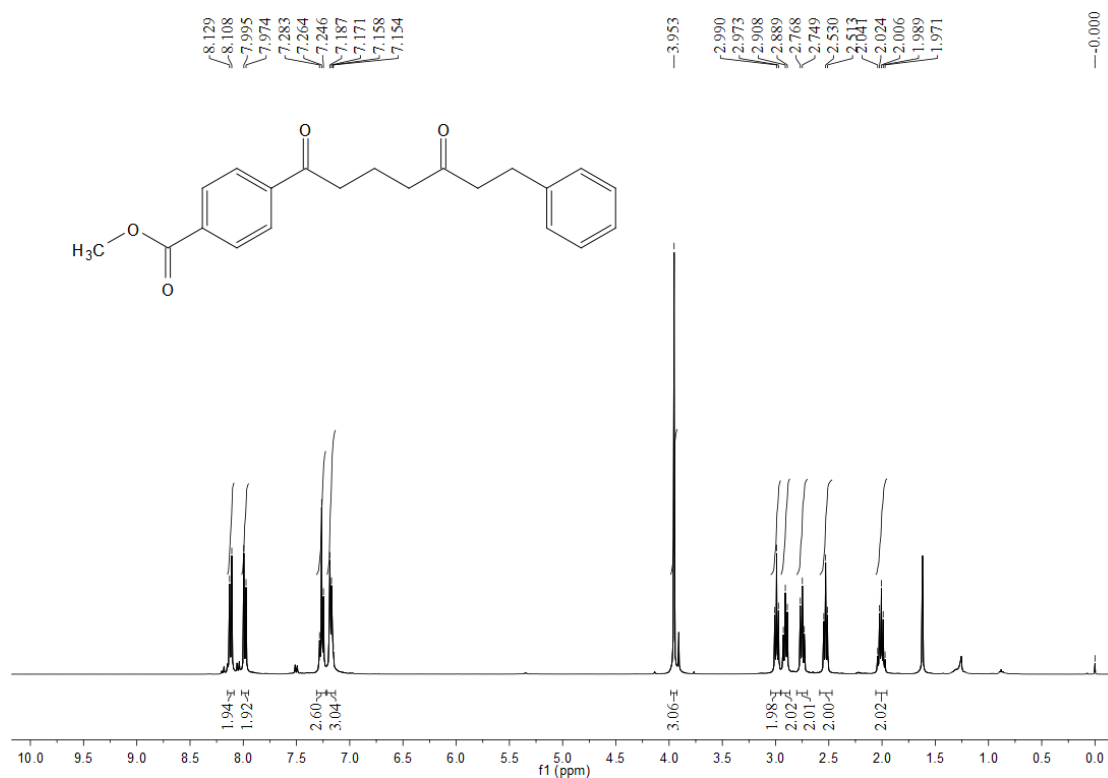


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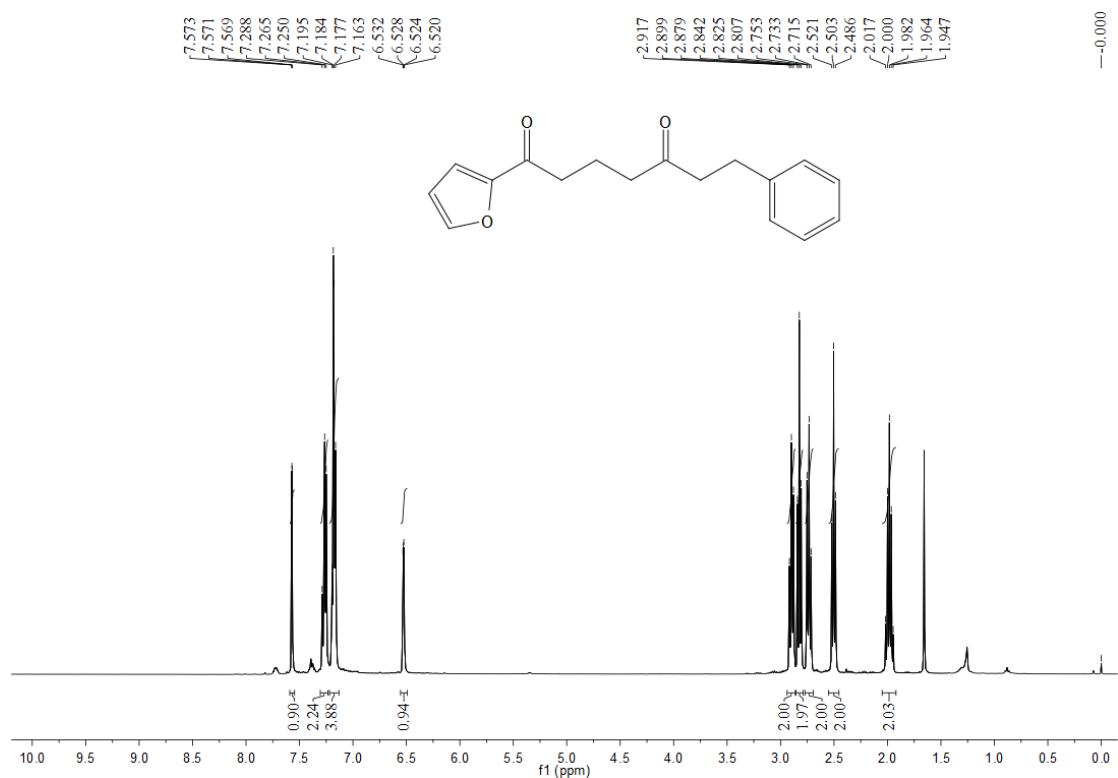


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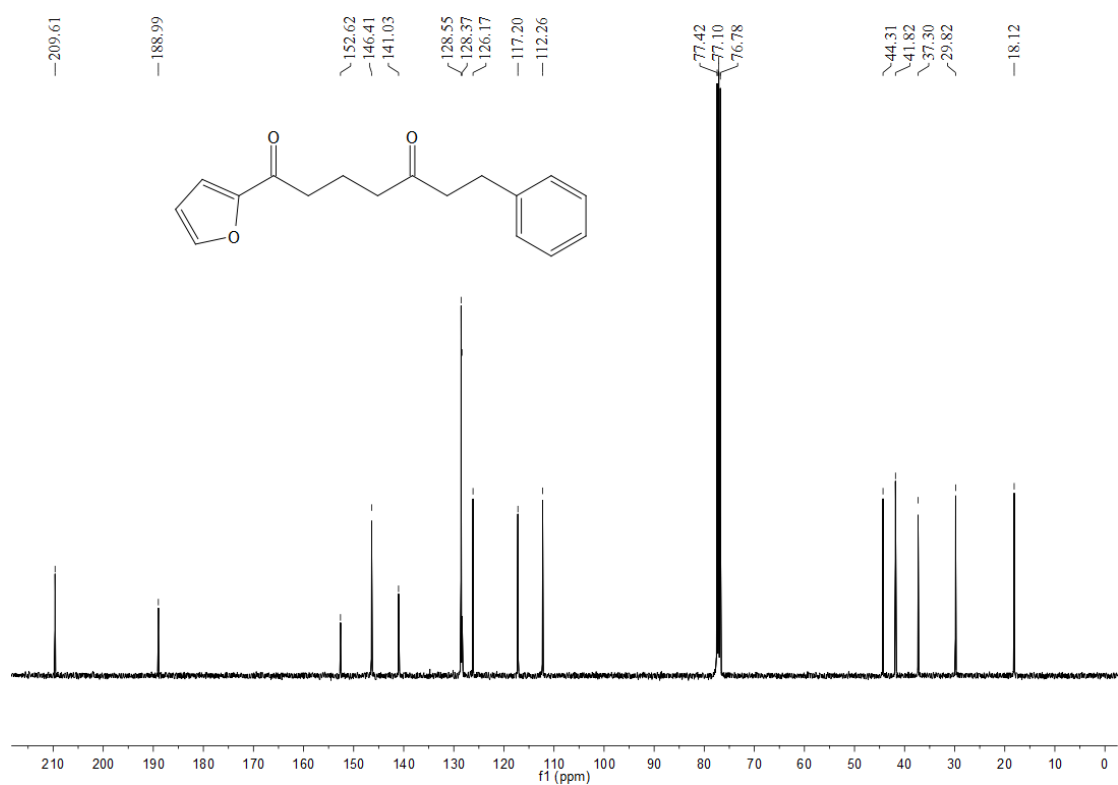
methyl 4-(5-oxo-7-phenylheptanoyl)benzoate (3qa)



1-(furan-2-yl)-7-phenylheptane-1,5-dione (3ra)

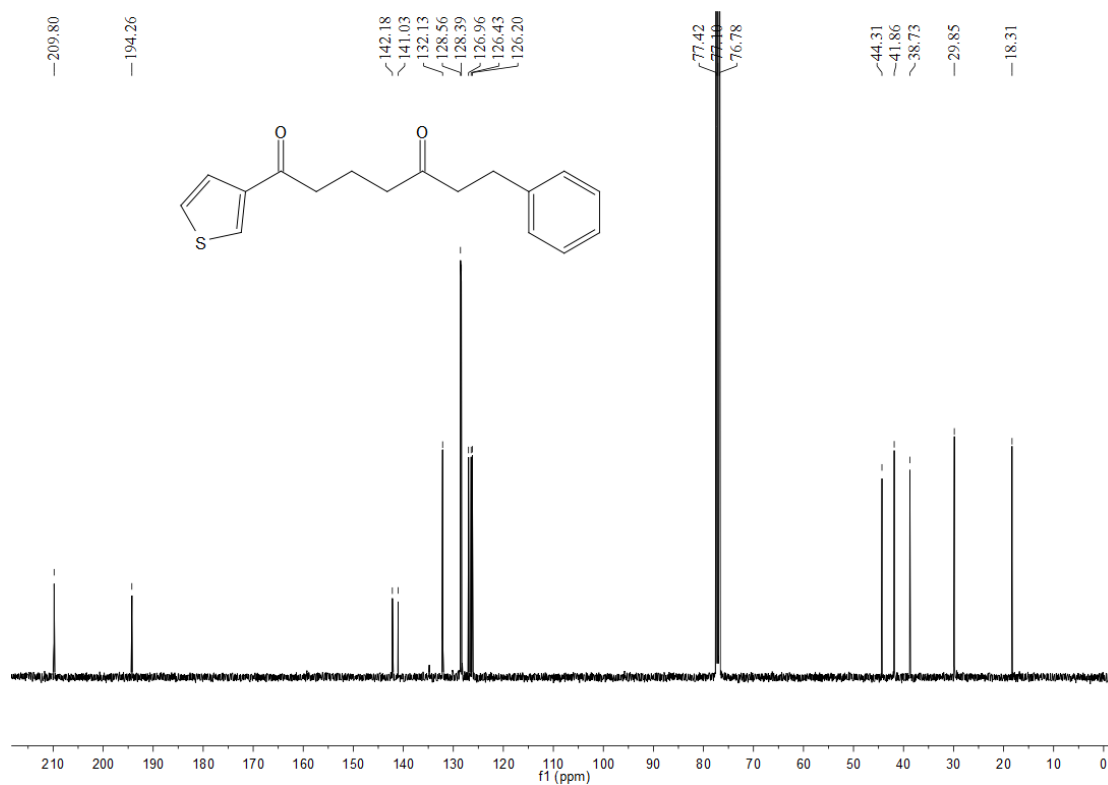
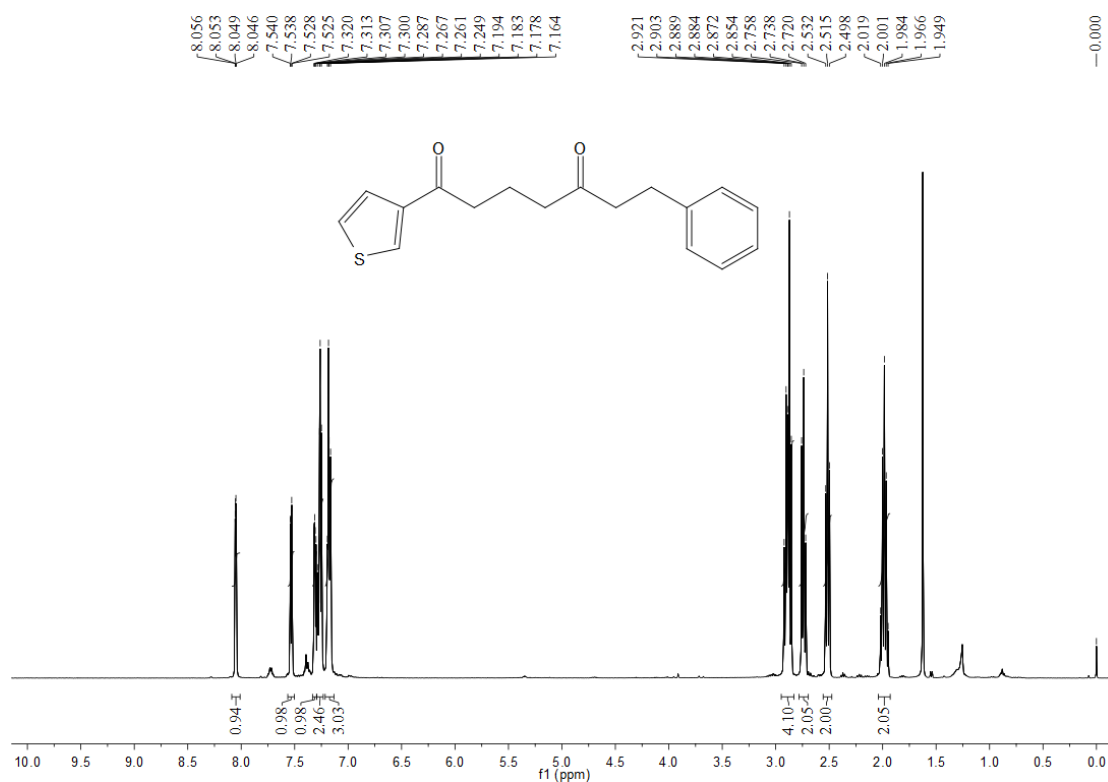


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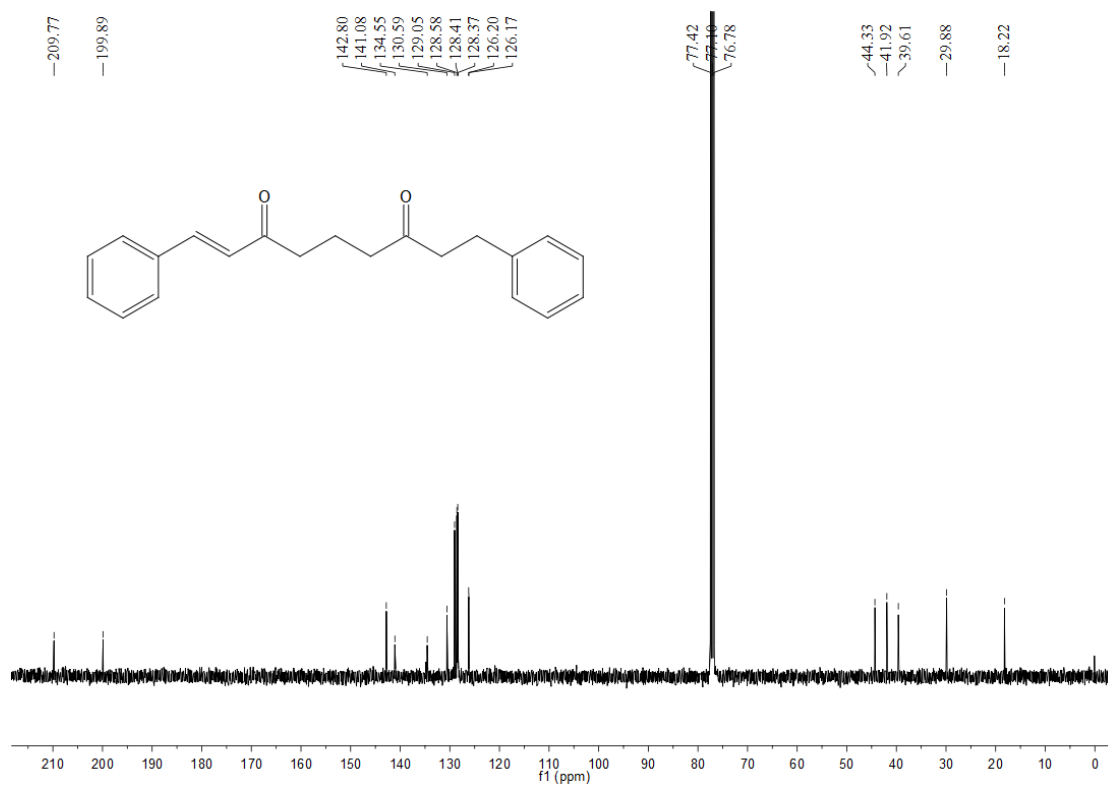
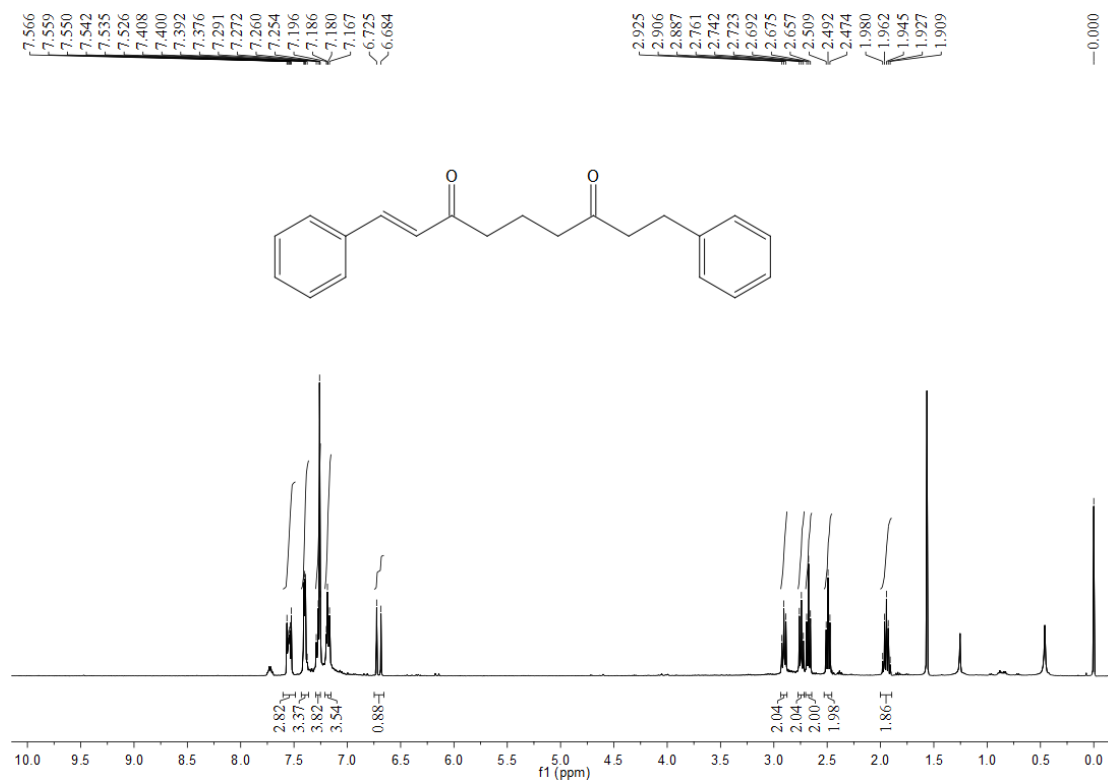


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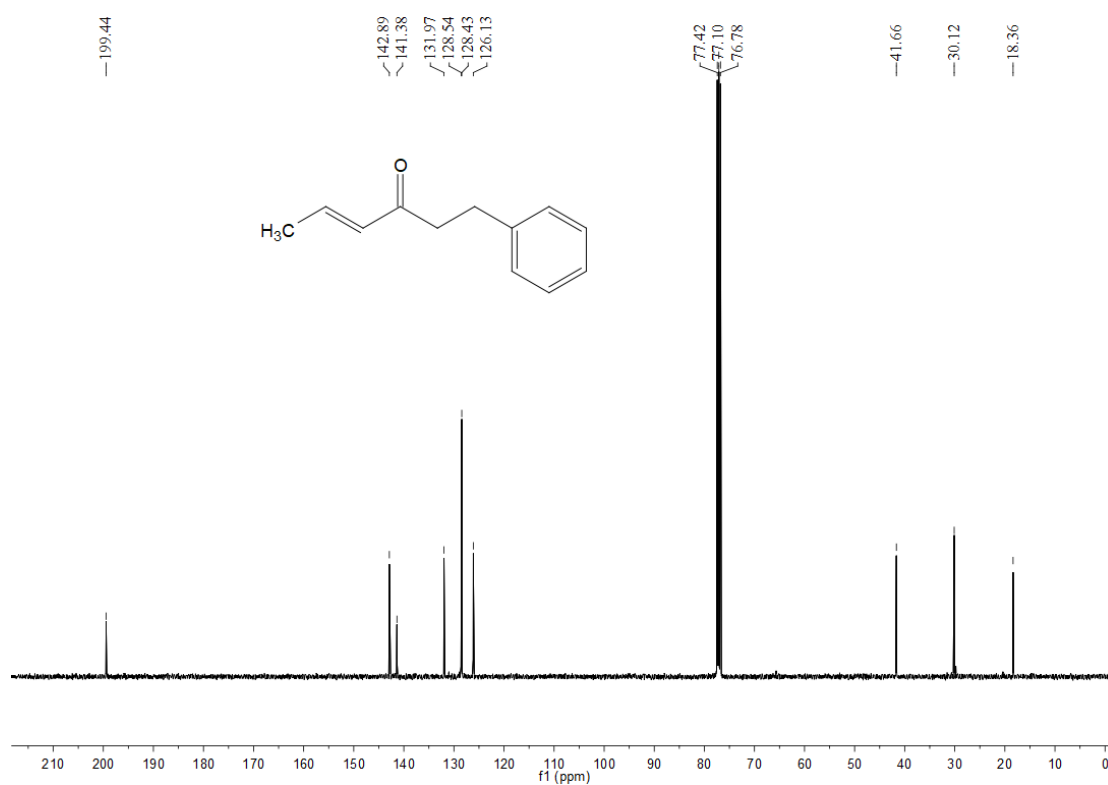
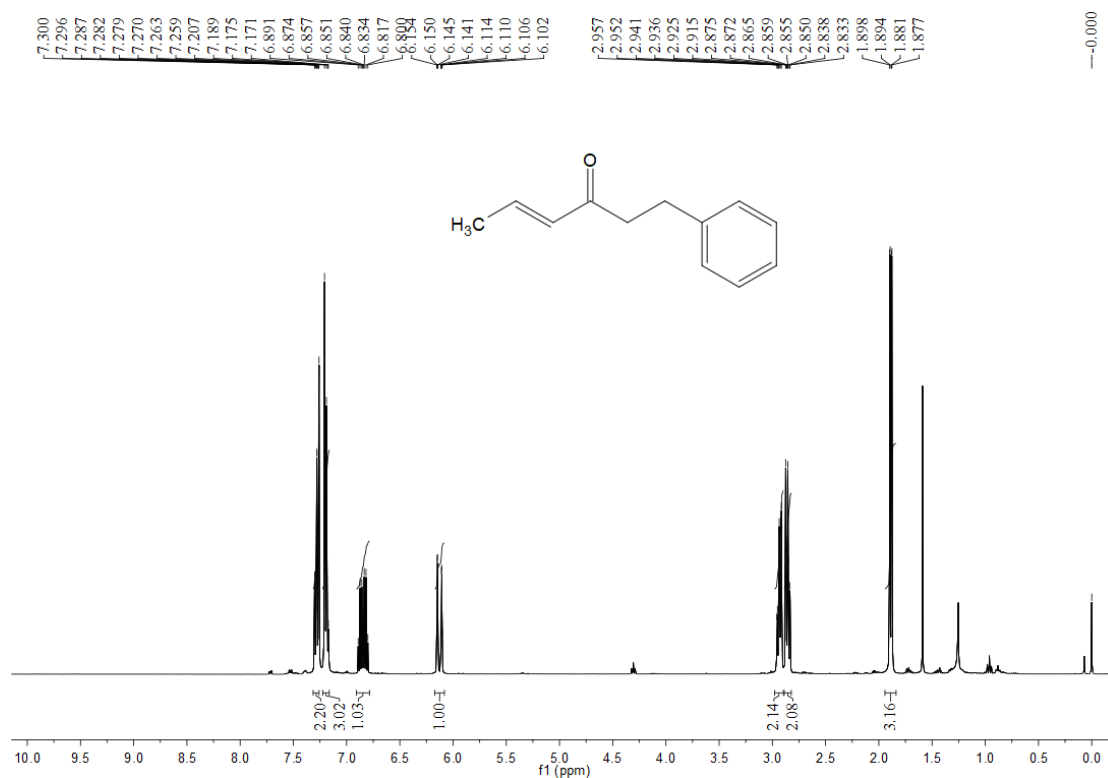
7-phenyl-1-(thiophen-3-yl)heptane-1,5-dione (3sa)



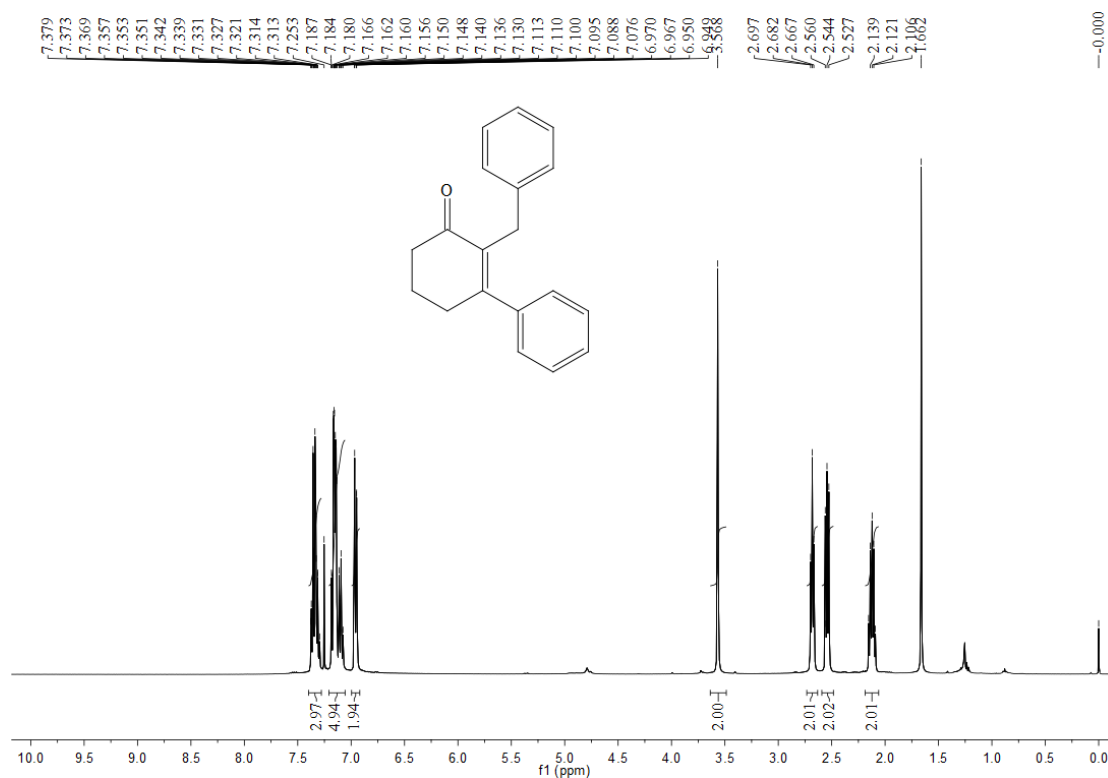
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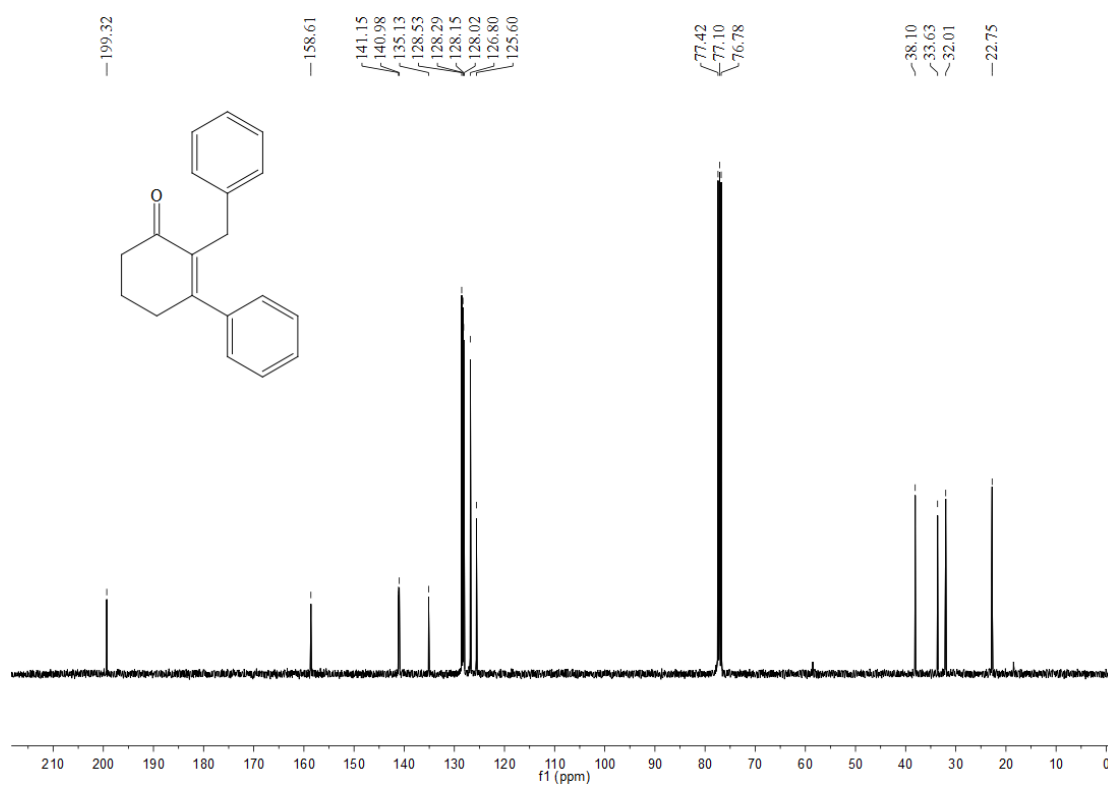
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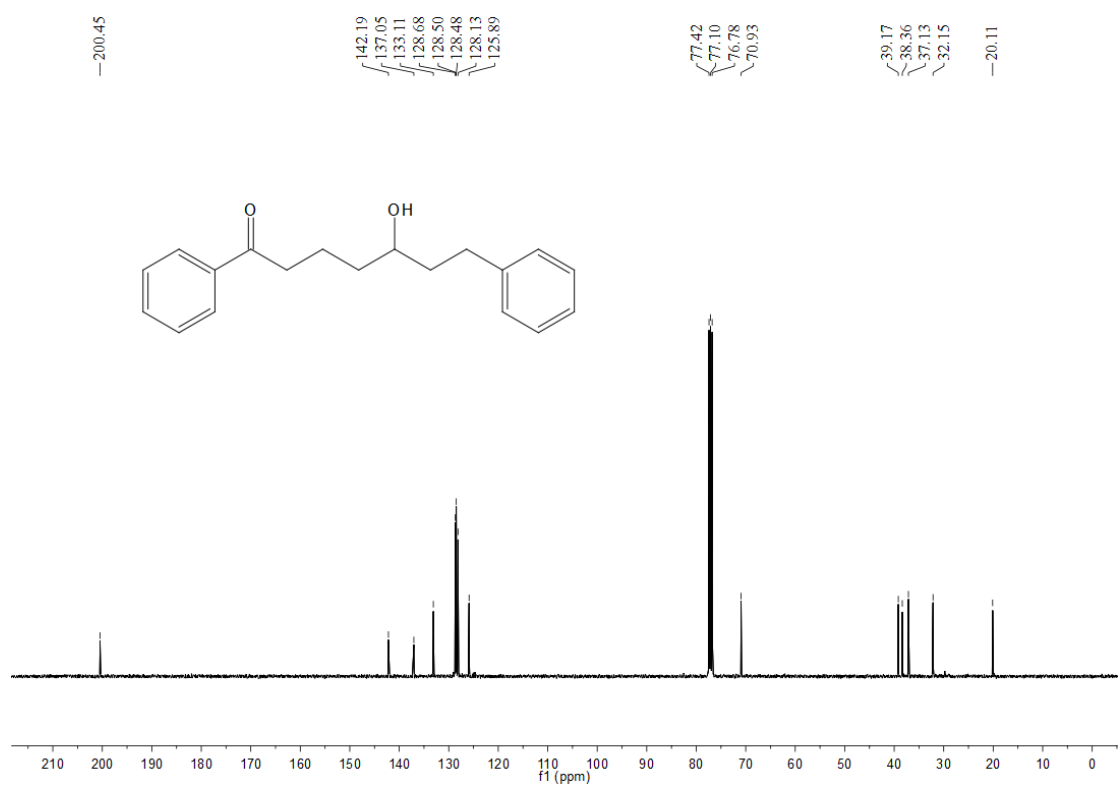
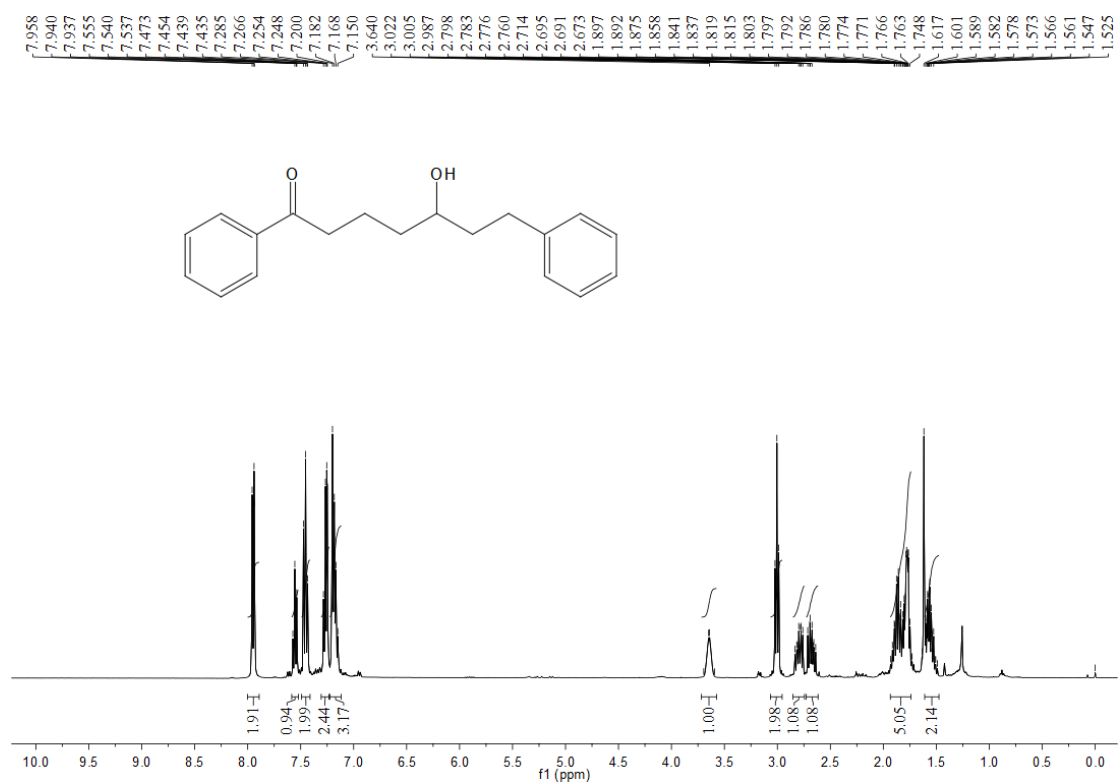


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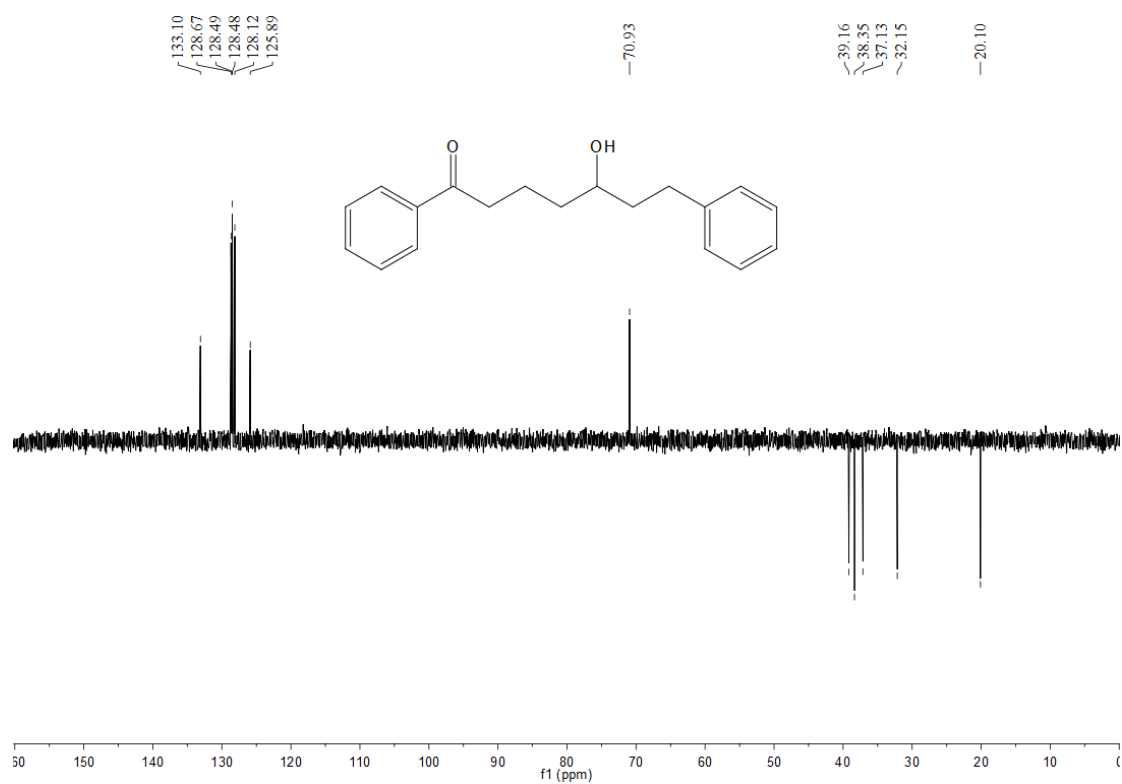


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5-hydroxy-1,7-diphenylheptan-1-one (8)



5-hydroxy-1,7-diphenylheptan-1-one (8)



DEPT135 (100 MHz, CDCl₃) of **8**