

Supplementary Information

Stereoselective Synthesis of 1,3,5-Trienes from Alkynones and Allyl Carbonyl Compounds Through C-C σ -Bond Cleavage under Transition-Metal-Free Conditions

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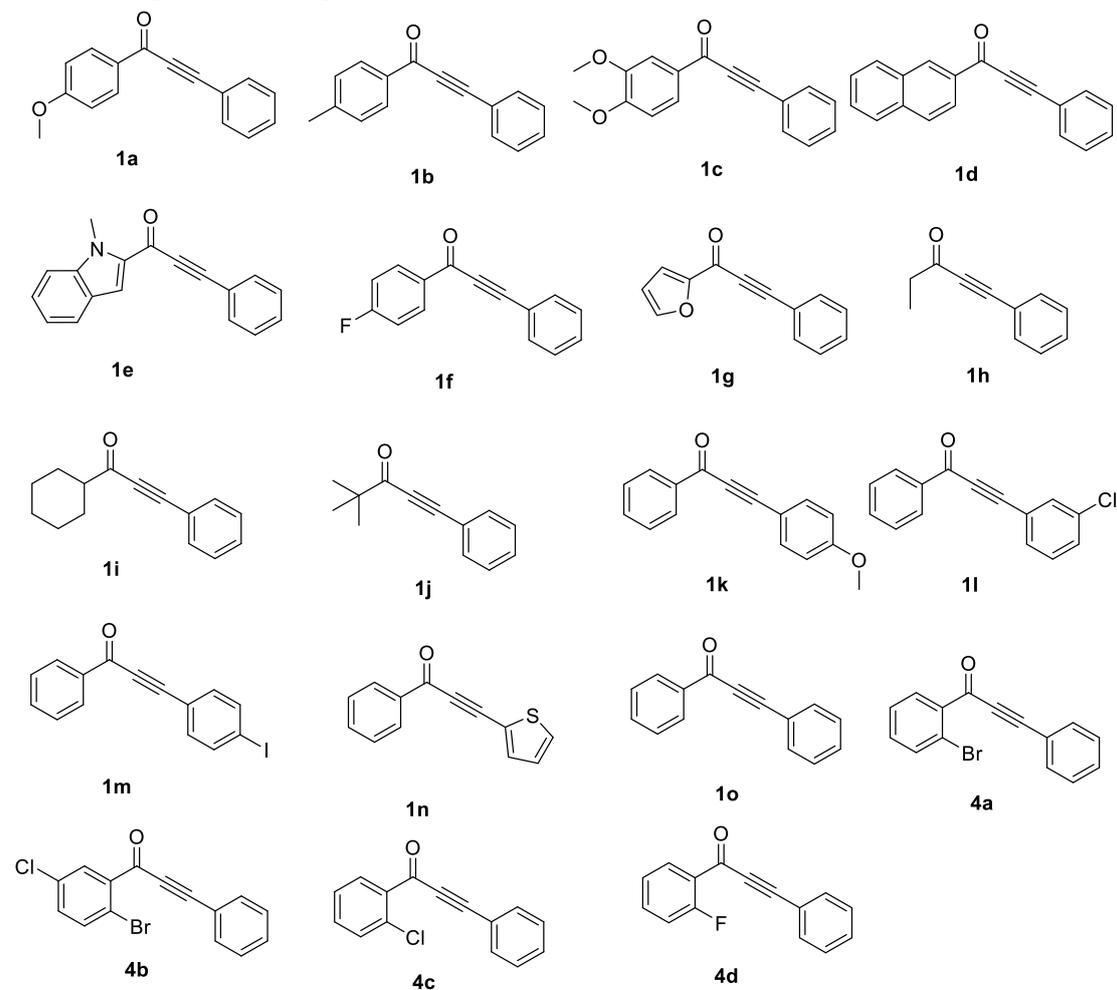
1. General information

Unless otherwise stated, all experiments were carried out under the atmosphere of nitrogen gas. Visualization of spots on TLC plate was accomplished with UV light (254 nm). All commercial reagents were used without further purification. Reactions were monitored by thin layer chromatography. Purification of reaction products was carried out by flash chromatography on silica gel (200~300 mesh). NMR spectra were recorded on Bruker AV-500 or Bruker AV-600 NMR spectrometer. ¹H NMR spectra was recorded with tetramethylsilane ($\delta = 0.00$ ppm) as internal reference; ¹³C NMR spectra was recorded with CDCl₃ ($\delta = 77.00$ ppm) as internal reference. The following abbreviations (or combinations thereof) were used to explain multiplicities: s = singlet, d = doublet, m = multiplet. High-resolution mass spectra were performed on a mass spectrometer with a TOF (for EI or ESI) or FTICR (for MALDI) analyzer. Single crystal X-ray diffraction data was collected in Bruker SMARTAPEX diffractometers.

2. Synthesis of substrates

2.1 Synthesis of Acetyenic Ketones 1

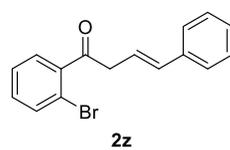
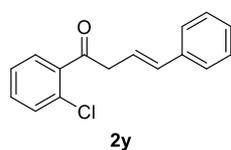
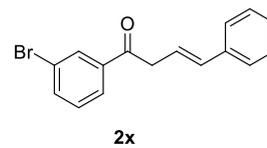
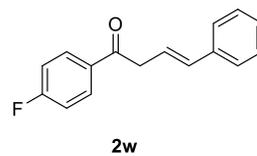
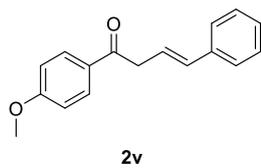
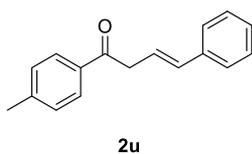
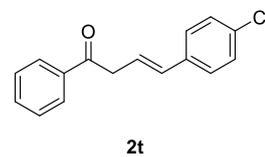
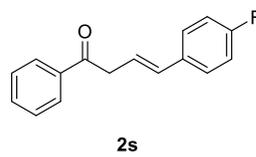
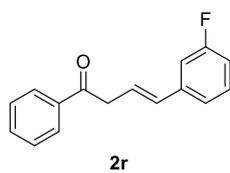
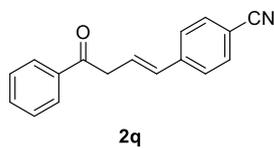
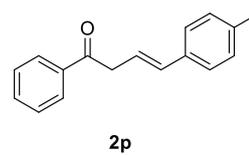
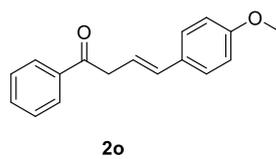
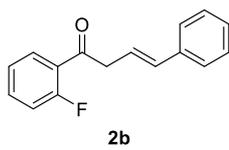
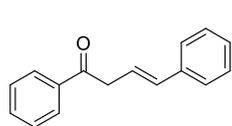
All the substrates **1** are known compounds and have been prepared according to methods reported in the previous literature.



1a - 1d, 1g, 1k, 4b¹; 1f, 1l, 1o²; 1e³; 1i - 1j⁴; 1h⁵; 1m⁶; 1n⁷; 4a, 4c, 4d⁸

2.2 Synthesis of allyl ketones 2

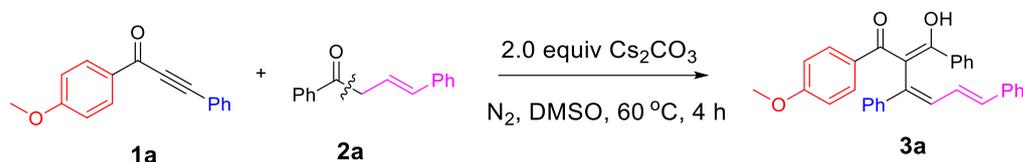
All the substrates **2** are known compounds and have been prepared according to methods reported in the previous literature.



2a, 2s, 2t⁹; 2v, 2w, 2r¹⁰; 2o, 2x¹¹; 2b, 2y, 2z, 2u, 2p, 2q¹²

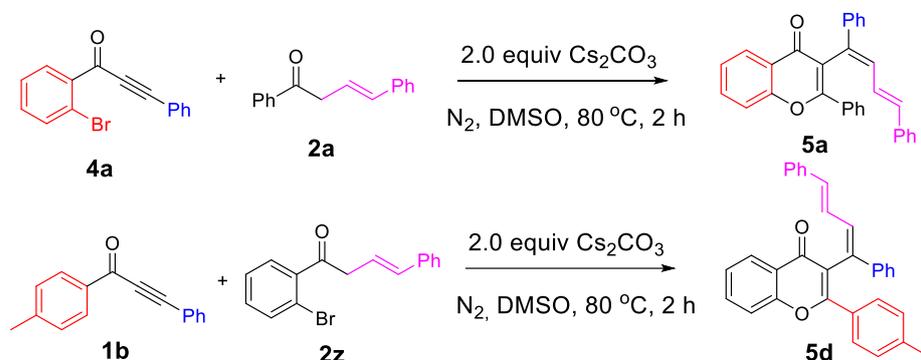
4. Experimental Section

4.1 General procedure for the synthesis of trienes **3**



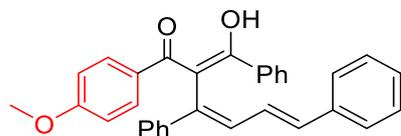
In an oven-dried Schlenk tube was charged with a stir bar, alkyne **1a** (0.30 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), *(E)*-allyl ketone **2a** (0.36 mmol, 1.2 equiv.), Cs_2CO_3 (0.6 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) and DMSO (3.0 mL). The mixture was stirred at 60 °C for 4 hours. Upon completion of the reaction, the reaction mixture was cooled down to room temperature and then quenched by water. The aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate (10 mL \times 3). The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried with anhydrous Na_2SO_4 , filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The pure products **3a** were isolated by column chromatography on silica gel (eluted with PE/EA, 12:1).

4.2 General procedure for the synthesis of chromones **5**

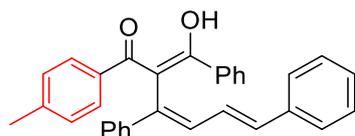


In an oven-dried Schlenk tube was charged with a stir bar, alkyne **4a** or **1b** (0.30 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), *(E)*-allyl ketone **2a** or **2z** (0.36 mmol, 1.2 equiv.), Cs_2CO_3 (0.6 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) and DMSO (3.0 mL). The mixture was stirred at 80 °C for 2 hours. Upon completion of the reaction, the reaction mixture was cooled down to room temperature and then quenched by water. The aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate (10 mL \times 3). The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried with anhydrous Na_2SO_4 , filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The pure products **5a** or **5d** were isolated by column chromatography on silica gel (eluted with PE/EA, 10:1).

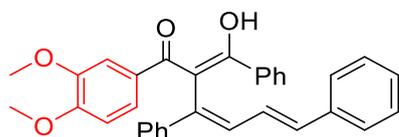
4.3 Characterization data of products



(2Z,3Z,5E)-2-(hydroxy(phenyl)methylene)-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3,6-diphenylhexa-3,5-dien-1-one (3a). Following the general procedure, the crude product was purified by column chromatography (PE/EA = 12:1, v/v) to provide the title compound as a yellow solid (111.4 mg, 81% yield). m.p. 148 - 150 °C. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 18.23 (s, 1H), 7.64 - 7.61 (m, 2H), 7.46 - 7.43 (m, 2H), 7.40 - 7.37 (m, 2H), 7.32 - 7.29 (m, 4H), 7.25 - 7.16 (m, 4H), 7.15 - 7.10 (m, 3H), 6.99 - 6.93 (m, 1H), 6.68 - 6.65 (m, 3H), 6.49 (d, $J = 20.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.70 (s, 3H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 189.89, 189.24, 161.71, 141.44, 137.29, 137.21, 136.95, 134.72, 131.28, 130.24, 130.02, 129.29, 128.61, 128.36, 127.78, 127.59, 127.31, 126.49, 126.46, 126.42, 113.09, 108.99, 55.17. **HRMS** (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{27}\text{O}_3$ $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$: 459.1955, found: 459.1955.

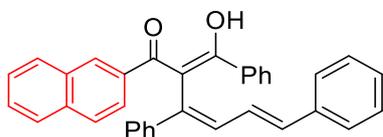


(2Z,3Z,5E)-2-(hydroxy(phenyl)methylene)-3,6-diphenyl-1-(p-tolyl)hexa-3,5-dien-1-one (3b). Following the general procedure, the crude product was purified by column chromatography (PE/EA = 20:1, v/v) to provide the title compound as a yellow solid (108.9 mg, 82% yield). m.p. 166 - 168 °C. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 18.09 (s, 1H), 7.48 - 7.45 (m, 4H), 7.37 - 7.34 (m, 2H), 7.32 - 7.28 (m, 4H), 7.24 - 7.08 (m, 7H), 6.98 - 6.92 (m, 3H), 6.64 (d, $J = 15.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.48 (d, $J = 20.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.22 (s, 3H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 190.29, 189.96, 141.48, 141.17, 137.24, 136.79, 134.71, 134.15, 131.28, 130.40, 128.62, 128.46, 128.43, 128.31, 127.78, 127.73, 127.62, 127.39, 127.27, 126.49, 126.44, 109.35, 21.43. **HRMS** (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{27}\text{O}_2$ $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$: 443.2006, found: 443.1997.

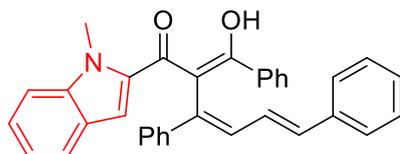


(2Z,3Z,5E)-1-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-2-(hydroxy(phenyl)methylene)-3,6-diphenylhexa-3,5-dien-1-one (3c). Following the general procedure, the crude product was purified by column chromatography (PE/EA = 10:1, v/v) to provide the title compound as a yellow solid (96.7 mg, 66% yield). m.p. 183 - 185 °C. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 18.02 (s, 1H), 7.48 - 7.46 (m, 2H), 7.42 - 7.40 (m, 2H), 7.34 - 7.29 (m, 5H), 7.24 - 7.10 (m, 8H), 7.01 - 6.94 (m, 1H), 6.71 (d, $J = 20.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.64 (d, $J = 10.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.50 (d, $J = 20.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.57 (s, 3H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (125 MHz,

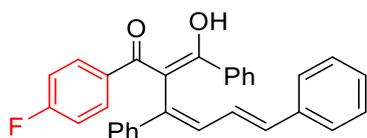
CDCl₃) 189.84, 189.15, 151.25, 147.86, 141.17, 137.14, 137.09, 136.90, 134.81, 131.20, 130.33, 129.48, 128.63, 128.44, 127.85, 127.63, 127.40, 127.37, 126.49, 126.32, 126.29, 121.90, 110.97, 109.96, 108.94, 55.75, 55.51. **HRMS** (ESI) calcd for C₃₃H₂₈O₄Na [M + Na]⁺: 511.1880, found: 511.1880.



(2Z,3Z,5E)-2-(hydroxy(phenyl)methylene)-1-(naphthalen-2-yl)-3,6-diphenylhexa-3,5-dien-1-one (3d). Following the general procedure, the crude product was purified by column chromatography (PE/EA = 15:1, v/v) to provide the title compound as a yellow solid (97.6 mg, 68% yield). m.p. 182 - 184 °C. **¹H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 18.02 (s, 1H), 8.02 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.68 - 7.63 (m, 4H), 7.37 - 7.34 (m, 1H), 7.31 - 7.25 (m, 4H), 7.21 - 7.17 (m, 3H), 7.16 - 7.11 (m, 5 H), 7.00 - 6.97 (m, 2H), 6.95 - 6.93 (m, 1H), 6.90 - 6.87 (m, 1H), 6.40 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 6.32 (d, *J* = 20.0 Hz, 1H); **¹³C NMR** (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.38, 188.95, 141.68, 137.05, 136.54, 134.50, 134.38, 133.16, 131.10, 131.07, 129.85, 129.57, 128.45, 128.03, 128.01, 127.85, 127.66, 126.95, 126.50, 126.40, 126.36, 125.73, 125.50, 124.96, 123.94, 111.63. **HRMS** (ESI) calcd for C₃₅H₂₇O₂ [M + H]⁺: 479.2006, found: 479.2006

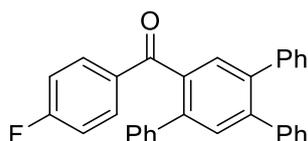


(2Z,3Z,5E)-2-(hydroxy(phenyl)methylene)-1-(1-methyl-1H-indol-2-yl)-3,6-diphenylhexa-3,5-dien-1-one (3e). Following the general procedure, the crude product was purified by column chromatography (PE/EA = 15:1, v/v) to provide the title compound as a yellow solid (80.9 mg, 68% yield). m.p. 122 - 124 °C. **¹H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 18.02 (s, 1H), 7.53 - 7.50 (m, 2H), 7.48 - 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.43 - 7.41 (m, 1H), 7.34 - 7.27 (m, 4H), 7.24 - 7.09 (m, 9H), 7.07 - 7.01 (m, 1H), 7.01 - 6.97 (m, 1H), 6.94 (s, 1H), 6.78 (d, *J* = 20.0 Hz, 1H), 6.54 (d, *J* = 20.0 Hz, 1H), 3.87 (s, 3H). **¹³C NMR** (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 185.62, 185.42, 141.31, 139.29, 137.06, 136.65, 136.37, 134.96, 134.27, 131.45, 130.41, 128.61, 128.47, 127.80, 127.73, 127.40, 127.38, 126.44, 126.23, 126.12, 124.63, 122.35, 120.03, 110.22, 109.88, 32.13. **HRMS** (ESI) calcd for C₃₄H₂₇NO₂Na [M + Na]⁺: 504.1934, found: 504.1932.

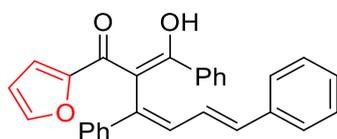


(2Z,3Z,5E)-1-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-(hydroxy(phenyl)methylene)-3,6-diphenylhexa-3,5-dien-1-one (3f). Following the general procedure, the crude product was purified by column chromatography (PE/EA = 30:1, v/v) to provide the title compound as a

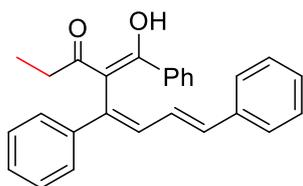
yellow solid (60.3 mg, 45% yield). m.p. 105 - 107 °C. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 18.03 (s, 1H), 7.56 - 7.53 (m, 2H), 7.50 - 7.49 (m, 2H), 7.35 - 7.34 (m, 2H), 7.32 - 7.31 (m, 4H), 7.25 - 7.21 (m, 2H), 7.19 - 7.10 (m, 5H), 6.95 - 6.90 (m, 1H), 6.84 - 6.80 (m, 2H), 6.64 (d, $J = 15.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.49 (d, $J = 20.0$ Hz, 1H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 190.13, 189.29, 164.01 (d, $J = 250.0$ Hz), 141.31, 137.09, 136.86, 136.49, 135.15, 133.25 (d, $J = 3.75$ Hz), 131.44, 130.75, 130.08 (d, $J = 8.75$ Hz), 128.73, 128.51, 128.00, 127.78, 127.51, 126.55, 126.47, 126.12, 114.93 (d, $J = 21.3$ Hz), 109.45. **HRMS** (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{23}\text{FO}_2\text{Na}$ $[\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$: 469.1574, found: 469.1577



(4-fluorophenyl)(4'-phenyl-[1,1':2,1''-terphenyl]-3'-yl)methanone (3f') Following the general procedure, the crude product was purified by column chromatography (PE/EA = 50:1, v/v) to provide the title compound as a white solid (47.6 mg, 37% yield). m.p. 162 - 164 °C. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.77 - 7.76 (m, 2H), 7.58 (s, 1H), 7.53 (s, 1H), 7.44 - 7.41 (m, 1H), 7.34 - 7.29 (m, 4H), 7.24 - 7.18 (m, 10H), 6.96 - 6.93 (m, 2H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 198.24, 162.08 (d, $J = 246.3$ Hz), 141.45, 140.45, 140.07, 139.64, 139.38, 138.11, 137.32, 136.54 (d, $J = 3.75$ Hz), 132.98, 132.34, 131.42 (d, $J = 8.75$ Hz), 131.17, 130.04, 129.85, 128.98, 128.38, 128.21, 128.19, 127.54, 127.05, 115.12 (d, $J = 21.3$ Hz). **HRMS** (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{22}\text{FO}$ $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$: 429.1649, found: 429.1649

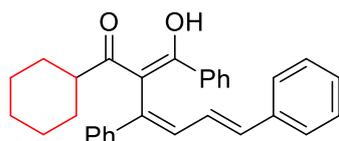


(2Z,3Z,5E)-1-(furan-2-yl)-2-(hydroxy(phenyl)methylene)-3,6-diphenylhexa-3,5-dien-1-one (3g). Following the general procedure, the crude product was purified by column chromatography (PE/EA = 20:1, v/v) to provide the title compound as a yellow solid (79.1 mg, 63% yield). m.p. 104 - 106 °C. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 18.14 (s, 1H), 7.50 - 7.45 (m, 5H), 7.34 - 7.10 (m, 12H), 6.99 - 6.93 (m, 2H), 6.65 - 6.58 (m, 1H), 6.31 - 6.29 (m, 1H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 187.40, 177.67, 149.08, 146.43, 140.60, 136.98, 136.57, 135.40, 135.38, 132.28, 130.41, 128.65, 128.62, 127.96, 127.66, 127.56, 127.51, 126.60, 126.12, 125.99, 120.13, 112.36, 107.40. **HRMS** (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{22}\text{O}_3\text{Na}$ $[\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$: 441.1461, found: 441.1461.

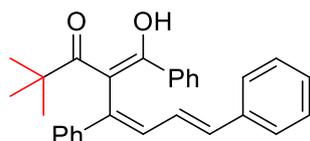


(4Z,5Z,7E)-4-(hydroxy(phenyl)methylene)-5,8-diphenylocta-5,7-dien-3-one (3h).

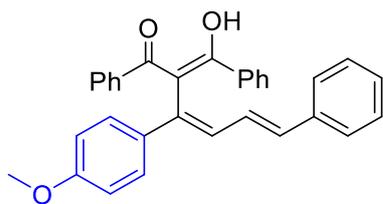
Following the general procedure, the crude product was purified by column chromatography (PE/EA = 50:1, v/v) to provide the title compound as a yellow oil (54.8 mg, 48% yield). $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 17.56 (s, 1H), 7.56 - 7.54 (m, 2H), 7.48 - 7.45 (m, 2H), 7.36 - 7.28 (m, 6H), 7.24 - 7.20 (m, 3H), 7.16 - 7.12 (m, 2H), 6.90 - 6.87 (m, 2H), 6.66 - 6.59 (m, 1H), 2.45 - 2.39 (m, 1H), 2.28 - 2.23 (m, 1H), 1.03 - 1.00 (m, 3H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 202.11, 182.34, 140.90, 137.04, 136.00, 135.90, 135.15, 131.36, 130.55, 128.71, 128.66, 127.94, 127.78, 127.75, 127.67, 126.55, 126.06, 126.01, 109.18, 30.83, 8.85. **HRMS** (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{25}\text{O}_2$ $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$: 381.1849, found: 381.1846.



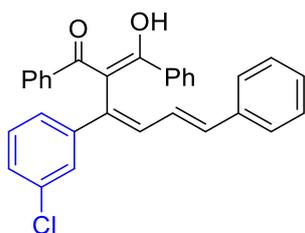
(2Z,3Z,5E)-1-cyclohexyl-2-(hydroxy(phenyl)methylene)-3,6-diphenylhexa-3,5-dien-1-one (3i). Following the general procedure, the crude product was purified by column chromatography (PE/EA = 50:1, v/v) to provide the title compound as a yellow solid (88.7 mg, 68% yield). m.p. 163 - 165 °C. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 17.99 (s, 1H), 7.53 - 7.50 (m, 2H), 7.48 - 7.46 (m, 2H), 7.34 - 7.28 (m, 6H), 7.23 - 7.19 (m, 3H), 7.14 - 7.11 (m, 2H), 6.92 - 6.84 (m, 2H), 6.60 (d, $J = 20.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.46 - 2.41 (m, 1H), 1.69 - 1.61 (m, 2H), 1.57 - 1.39 (m, 5H), 1.15 - 1.09 (m, 1H), 1.05 - 1.00 (m, 1H), 0.90 - 0.84 (m, 1H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 202.43, 186.29, 141.47, 137.14, 136.61, 136.19, 134.75, 131.25, 130.47, 128.65, 128.61, 127.83, 127.67, 127.61, 126.50, 126.24, 126.21, 108.63, 44.59, 29.55, 28.94, 25.66, 25.56, 25.42. **HRMS** (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{31}\text{O}_2$ $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$: 435.2319, found: 435.2316.



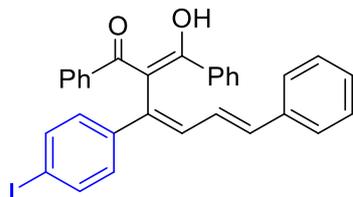
(4Z,5Z,7E)-4-(hydroxy(phenyl)methylene)-2,2-dimethyl-5,8-diphenylocta-5,7-dien-3-one (3j). Following the general procedure, the crude product was purified by column chromatography (PE/EA = 60:1, v/v) to provide the title compound as a yellow solid (46.6 mg, 38% yield). m.p. 142 - 144 °C. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 18.58 (s, 1H), 7.48 - 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.40 - 7.36 (m, 2H), 7.35 - 7.27 (m, 6H), 7.26 - 7.20 (m, 2H), 7.18 - 7.14 (m, 1H), 7.09 - 7.03 (m, 2H), 6.98 - 6.91 (m, 1H), 6.84 - 6.79 (m, 1H), 6.60 - 6.55 (m, 1H), 1.12 (s, 9H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 203.63, 189.58, 142.04, 137.56, 137.20, 136.27, 134.72, 132.01, 129.58, 128.72, 128.52, 127.93, 127.47, 127.34, 127.05, 126.92, 126.56, 126.45, 108.13, 43.06, 28.57. **HRMS** (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{29}\text{O}_2$ $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$: 409.2162, found: 409.2159.



(2Z,3Z,5E)-2-(hydroxy(phenyl)methylene)-3-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1,6-diphenylhexa-3,5-dien-1-one (3k). Following the general procedure, the crude product was purified by column chromatography (PE/EA = 20:1, v/v) to provide the title compound as a yellow solid (89.4 mg, 65% yield). m.p. 172 - 174 °C. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 18.01 (s, 1H), 7.53 - 7.50 (m, 4H), 7.32 - 7.27 (m, 6H), 7.26 - 7.21 (m, 3H), 7.17 - 7.13 (m, 4H), 6.96 - 6.90 (m, 1H), 6.72 - 6.69 (m, 2H), 6.54 (d, $J = 15.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.44 (d, $J = 20.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 190.15, 158.97, 137.33, 137.04, 136.11, 134.09, 133.82, 130.60, 129.67, 128.59, 127.65, 127.59, 127.43, 126.47, 126.37, 113.76, 109.58, 55.18. **HRMS** (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{26}\text{O}_3\text{Na}$ [$\text{M} + \text{Na}$] $^+$: 481.1774, found: 481.1775.

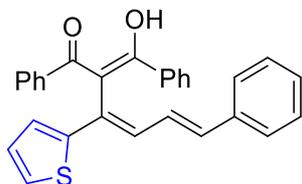


(2Z,3Z,5E)-3-(3-chlorophenyl)-2-(hydroxy(phenyl)methylene)-1,6-diphenylhexa-3,5-dien-1-one (3l). Following the general procedure, the crude product was purified by column chromatography (PE/EA = 15:1, v/v) to provide the title compound as a yellow solid (105.6 mg, 76% yield). m.p. 172 - 174 °C. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 18.00 (s, 1H), 7.49 - 7.46 (m, 4H), 7.33 - 7.30 (m, 5H), 7.28 - 7.21 (m, 4H), 7.19 - 7.15 (m, 4H), 7.10 - 7.05 (m, 2H), 6.94 - 6.89 (m, 1H), 6.61 (d, $J = 15.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.49 (d, $J = 20.0$ Hz, 1H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 190.38, 143.45, 136.90, 136.82, 135.79, 135.17, 134.33, 132.33, 130.75, 129.51, 128.66, 128.07, 127.77, 127.38, 127.18, 126.59, 126.29, 125.88, 124.57, 109.05. **HRMS** (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{23}\text{ClO}_2\text{Na}$ [$\text{M} + \text{Na}$] $^+$: 485.1279, found: 485.1279

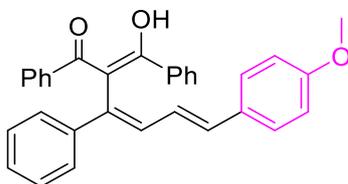


(2Z,3Z,5E)-2-(hydroxy(phenyl)methylene)-3-(4-iodophenyl)-1,6-diphenylhexa-3,5-dien-1-one (3m). Following the general procedure, the crude product was purified by column chromatography (PE/EA = 10:1, v/v) to provide the title compound as a yellow solid (99.8 mg, 60% yield). m.p. 157 - 159 °C. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ

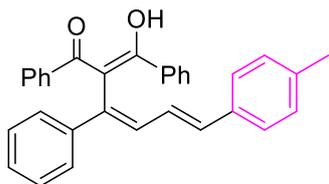
18.01 (s, 1H), 7.49 - 7.46 (m, 6H), 7.32 - 7.31 (m, 4H), 7.27 - 7.22 (m, 3H), 7.17 - 7.14 (m, 4H), 7.09 - 7.07 (m, 2H), 6.94 - 6.89 (m, 1H), 6.61 (d, $J = 20.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.49 (d, $J = 20.0$ Hz, 1H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 190.31, 141.04, 137.41, 136.96, 136.84, 135.55, 135.50, 131.86, 130.79, 128.67, 128.06, 128.03, 127.79, 127.39, 126.57, 125.99, 108.92, 92.91. **HRMS** (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{24}\text{O}_2$ $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$: 555.0812, found: 555.1744.



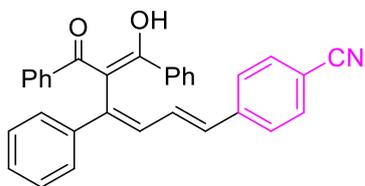
(2Z,3E,5E)-2-(hydroxy(phenyl)methylene)-1,6-diphenyl-3-(thiophen-2-yl)hexa-3,5-dien-1-one (3n). Following the general procedure, the crude product was purified by column chromatography (PE/EA = 15:1, v/v) to provide the title compound as a yellow solid (87.3 mg, 67% yield). m.p. 110 - 112 °C. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 18.06 (s, 1H), 7.59 - 7.56 (m, 4H), 7.32 - 7.30 (m, 3H), 7.29 - 7.25 (m, 2H), 7.24 - 7.17 (m, 6H), 7.04 - 7.02 (m, 1H), 6.95 - 6.93 (m, 1H), 6.92 - 6.86 (m, 1H), 6.82 - 6.79 (m, 1H), 6.59 (d, $J = 20.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.49 (d, $J = 10.0$ Hz, 1H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 190.18, 147.61, 137.11, 136.90, 134.76, 130.90, 130.77, 130.46, 128.66, 127.87, 127.77, 127.63, 127.43, 126.50, 125.43, 125.17, 124.98, 109.13. **HRMS** (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{22}\text{O}_2\text{SNa}$ $[\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$: 457.1233, found: 457.1233



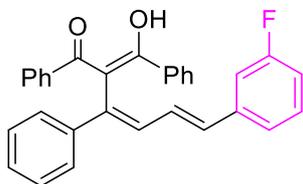
(2Z,3Z,5E)-2-(hydroxy(phenyl)methylene)-6-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1,3-diphenylhexa-3,5-dien-1-one (3o). Following the general procedure, the crude product was purified by column chromatography (PE/EA = 15:1, v/v) to provide the title compound as a yellow solid (72.9 mg, 53% yield). m.p. 165 - 167 °C. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 18.00 (s, 1H), 7.52 - 7.49 (m, 4H), 7.34 - 7.31 (m, 2H), 7.27 - 7.20 (m, 4H), 7.17 - 7.12 (m, 6H), 7.10 - 7.06 (m, 1H), 6.86 - 6.84 (m, 2H), 6.82 - 6.78 (m, 1H), 6.60 (d, $J = 15.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.42 (d, $J = 20.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 190.29, 159.46, 141.59, 137.07, 135.30, 134.43, 131.61, 130.56, 130.02, 128.28, 127.78, 127.65, 127.46, 127.05, 126.37, 124.38, 114.09, 109.65, 55.31. **HRMS** (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{27}\text{O}_3$ $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$: 459.1955, found: 459.1955



(2Z,3Z,5E)-2-(hydroxy(phenyl)methylene)-1,3-diphenyl-6-(p-tolyl)hexa-3,5-dien-1-one (3p). Following the general procedure, the crude product was purified by column chromatography (PE/EA = 30:1, v/v) to provide the title compound as a yellow solid (71.7 mg, 54% yield). m.p. 166 - 168 °C. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 18.00 (s, 1H), 7.51 - 7.48 (m, 4H), 7.34 - 7.32 (m, 2H), 7.25 - 7.20 (m, 4H), 7.17 - 7.15 (m, 3H), 7.14 - 7.08 (m, 6H), 6.92 - 6.86 (m, 1H), 6.61 (d, $J = 15.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.44 (d, $J = 20.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.34 (s, 3H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 190.30, 141.54, 137.85, 137.05, 135.93, 134.81, 134.40, 131.51, 130.56, 129.35, 128.29, 127.65, 127.46, 127.15, 126.43, 125.39, 109.62, 21.28. **HRMS** (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{27}\text{O}_2$ $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$: 443.2006, found: 443.2006.

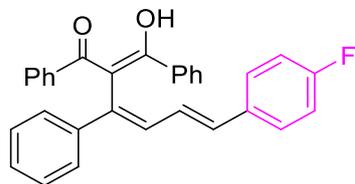


4-((1E,3Z,5Z)-5-benzoyl-6-hydroxy-4,6-diphenylhexa-1,3,5-trien-1-yl)benzonitrile (3q). Following the general procedure, the crude product was purified by column chromatography (PE/EA = 10:1, v/v) to provide the title compound as a yellow solid (28.6 mg, 21% yield). m.p. 190 - 192 °C. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 18.00 (s, 1H), 7.49 - 7.46 (m, 4H), 7.34 - 7.29 (m, 5H), 7.27 - 7.20 (m, 4H), 7.18 - 7.14 (m, 4H), 7.10 - 7.05 (m, 2H), 6.94 - 6.88 (m, 1H), 6.61 (d, $J = 15.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.49 (d, $J = 20.0$ Hz, 1H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 190.30, 141.57, 141.17, 139.55, 136.82, 132.39, 132.21, 130.75, 130.26, 129.65, 128.42, 127.85, 127.74, 127.43, 126.72, 126.68, 119.00, 110.50, 109.36. **HRMS** (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{24}\text{NO}_2$ $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$: 454.1802, found: 454.1802.

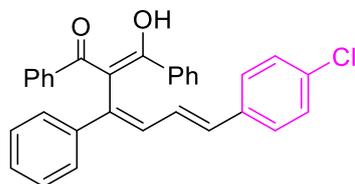


(2Z,3Z,5E)-6-(3-fluorophenyl)-2-(hydroxy(phenyl)methylene)-1,3-diphenylhexa-3,5-dien-1-one (3r). Following the general procedure, the crude product was purified by column chromatography (PE/EA = 20:1, v/v) to provide the title compound as a yellow solid (111.2 mg, 83% yield). m.p. 135 - 137 °C. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 18.02 (s, 1H), 7.51 - 7.49 (m, 4H), 7.36 - 7.33 (m, 2H), 7.27 - 7.21 (m, 3H), 7.19 - 7.09 (m, 7H), 7.08 - 7.05 (m, 1H), 6.70 - 6.95 (m, 1H), 6.93 - 6.88 (m, 2H), 6.60 - 6.56 (m, 1H), 6.40 (d, $J = 20.0$ Hz, 1H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 190.33, 163.12 (d, $J =$

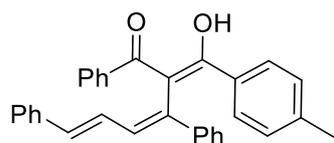
243.8 Hz), 141.44, 139.58 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz), 137.78, 137.02, 133.34, 133.32, 130.78, 130.68, 130.06 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz), 128.39, 127.74, 127.50, 126.63, 122.28 (d, $J = 2.5$ Hz), 114.56 (d, $J = 21.3$ Hz) 112.85 (d, $J = 21.3$ Hz), 109.51. **HRMS** (ESI) calcd for $C_{31}H_{24}FO_2$ $[M + H]^+$: 447.1755, found: 447.1755



(2Z,3Z,5E)-6-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-(hydroxy(phenyl)methylene)-1,3-diphenylhexa-3,5-dien-1-one (3s). Following the general procedure, the crude product was purified by column chromatography (PE/EA = 20:1, v/v) to provide the title compound as a yellow solid (91.1 mg, 68% yield). m.p. 175 - 177 °C. **1H NMR** (500 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 18.01 (s, 1H), 7.51 - 7.48 (m, 4H), 7.35 - 7.32 (m, 2H), 7.28 - 7.21 (m, 4H), 7.18 - 7.08 (m, 7H), 7.02 - 6.97 (m, 2H), 6.87 - 6.81 (m, 1H), 6.58 (d, $J = 15.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.40 (d, $J = 20.0$ Hz, 1H). **^{13}C NMR** (125 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 190.34, 162.43 ($J = 246.3$ Hz), 141.50, 137.05, 136.72, 133.44, 131.12, 130.68, 128.39, 128.02 ($J = 7.50$ Hz), 127.73, 127.51, 127.37, 126.54, 126.10 ($J = 2.50$ Hz), 115.67 (d, $J = 22.5$ Hz), 109.59. **HRMS** (ESI) calcd for $C_{31}H_{23}FO_2Na$ $[M + Na]^+$: 469.1574, found: 469.1575

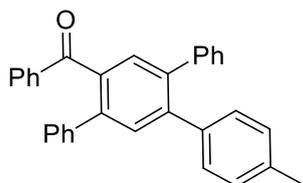


(2Z,3Z,5E)-6-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-(hydroxy(phenyl)methylene)-1,3-diphenylhexa-3,5-dien-1-one (3t). Following the general procedure, the crude product was purified by column chromatography (PE/EA = 15:1, v/v) to provide the title compound as a yellow solid (70.8 mg, 51% yield). m.p. 198 - 200 °C. **1H NMR** (500 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 18.01 (s, 1H), 7.50 - 7.47 (m, 4H), 7.35 - 7.32 (m, 2H), 7.28 - 7.26 (m, 2H), 7.25 - 7.20 (m, 4H), 7.18 - 7.08 (m, 7H), 6.93 - 6.86 (m, 1H), 6.58 (d, $J = 15.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.38 (d, $J = 20.0$ Hz, 1H). **^{13}C NMR** (125 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 190.29, 141.41, 137.27, 136.96, 135.64, 133.31, 133.20, 130.91, 130.64, 128.79, 128.34, 127.69, 127.57, 127.51, 127.44, 127.42, 126.80, 126.54, 109.50. **HRMS** (ESI) calcd for $C_{31}H_{23}ClO_2Na$ $[M + Na]^+$: 485.1279, found: 485.1279.



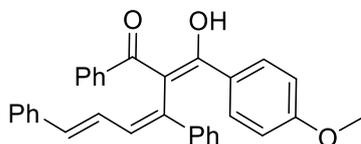
(2Z,3Z,5E)-2-(hydroxy(p-tolyl)methylene)-1,3,6-triphenylhexa-3,5-dien-1-one (3u)
Following the general procedure, the crude product was purified by column

chromatography (PE/EA = 30:1, v/v) to provide the title compound as a yellow solid (42.5 mg, 32% yield). m.p. 169 - 171 °C. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 18.12 (s, 1H), 7.47 - 7.45 (m, 4H), 7.36 - 7.35 (m, 2H), 7.31 - 7.30 (m, 4H), 7.22 - 7.10 (m, 7H), 6.98 - 6.92 (m, 3H), 6.64 (d, $J = 15.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.48 (d, $J = 20.0$ Hz, 1H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 190.29, 189.95, 141.47, 141.17, 137.24, 136.79, 134.70, 134.14, 131.27, 130.40, 128.62, 128.43, 128.31, 127.78, 127.72, 127.62, 127.39, 127.26, 126.49, 126.43, 109.34, 21.43. **HRMS** (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{27}\text{O}_2$ $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$: 443.2006, found: 443.2006.

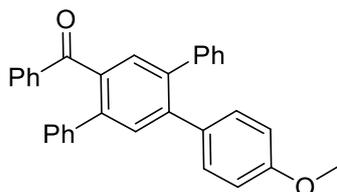


(4''-methyl-4'-phenyl-[1,1':2',1''-terphenyl]-3'-yl)(phenyl)methanone (3u').

Following the general procedure, the crude product was purified by column chromatography (PE/EA = 45:1, v/v) to provide the title compound as a white solid (29.3 mg, 23% yield). m.p. 168 - 170 °C. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.71 - 7.70 (m, 2H), 7.56 - 7.55 (m, 2H), 7.36 - 7.35 (m, 2H), 7.25 - 7.18 (m, 13H), 7.13 - 7.11 (m, 2H), 2.34 (s, 3H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 197.89, 143.83, 142.27, 140.59, 140.26, 140.17, 139.77, 139.19, 138.16, 134.80, 132.47, 130.94, 130.25, 129.83, 129.79, 128.93, 128.91, 128.30, 128.03, 127.99, 127.38, 126.99, 126.84, 77.25, 77.00, 76.75, 21.64. **HRMS** (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{24}\text{ONa}$ $[\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$: 447.1719, found: 447.1846.

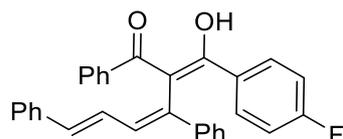


(2Z,3Z,5E)-2-(hydroxy(4-methoxyphenyl)methylene)-1,3,6-triphenylhexa-3,5-dien-1-one (3v). Following the general procedure, the crude product was purified by column chromatography (PE/EA = 15:1, v/v) to provide the title compound as a yellow solid (41.3 mg, 30% yield). m.p. 126 - 128 °C. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 18.23 (s, 1H), 7.63-7.60 (m, 2H), 7.45-7.43 (m, 2H), 7.39-7.37 (m, 2H), 7.32-7.30 (m, 4H), 7.22-7.10 (m, 7H), 6.99-6.92 (m, 1H), 6.67-6.64 (m, 3H), 6.49 (d, $J = 20.0$ Hz, 1H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 189.89, 189.23, 161.70, 141.43, 137.28, 137.20, 136.94, 134.72, 131.27, 130.24, 130.02, 129.28, 128.61, 128.36, 127.77, 127.59, 127.31, 127.30, 126.48, 126.46, 126.41, 113.09, 108.98, 55.17. **HRMS** (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{27}\text{O}_3$ $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$: 459.1955, found: 459.1946.

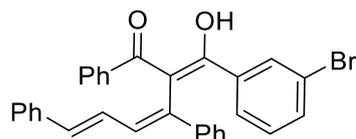


(4''-methoxy-4'-phenyl-[1,1':2',1''-terphenyl]-3'-yl)(phenyl)methanone (3v').

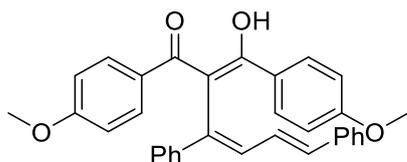
Following the general procedure, the crude product was purified by column chromatography (PE/EA = 40:1, v/v) to provide the title compound as a white solid (42.3 mg, 32% yield). m.p. 158 - 160 °C. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.79 - 7.77 (m, 2H), 7.56 - 7.55 (m, 2H), 7.38 - 7.36 (m, 2H), 7.23 - 7.22 (m, 8H), 7.21 - 7.20 (m, 5H), 6.81 - 6.79 (m, 2H), 3.80 (s, 3H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 196.91, 163.47, 142.18, 140.67, 140.34, 140.02, 139.83, 139.26, 138.33, 132.49, 132.46, 130.86, 130.36, 129.89, 129.84, 128.93, 128.36, 128.08, 128.04, 127.45, 127.01, 126.88, 113.51, 55.44. **HRMS** (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{24}\text{O}_2$ $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$: 441.1849, found: 441.1846.



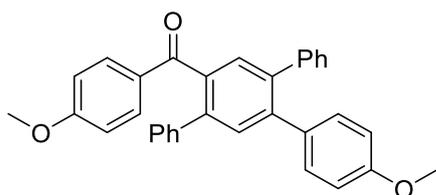
(2Z,3Z,5E)-2-((4-fluorophenyl)(hydroxy)methylene)-1,3,6-triphenylhexa-3,5-dien-1-one (3w). Following the general procedure, the crude product was purified by column chromatography (PE/EA = 30:1, v/v) to provide the title compound as a yellow solid (116.5 mg, 87% yield). m.p. 112 - 114 °C. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 17.99 (s, 1H), 7.56 - 7.52 (m, 2H), 7.51 - 7.48 (m, 2H), 7.35 - 7.33 (m, 2H), 7.31 - 7.28 (m, 4H), 7.24 - 7.20 (m, 2H), 7.19 - 7.16 (m, 2H), 7.15 - 7.09 (m, 3H), 6.95 - 6.89 (m, 1H), 6.83 - 6.80 (m, 2H), 6.64 (d, $J = 18.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.49 (d, $J = 18.0$ Hz, 1H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (150 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 190.11, 189.25, 164.02 (d, $J = 249.0$ Hz), 141.32, 136.90, 136.90, 136.51, 135.15, 133.28 ($J = 3.0$ Hz), 131.45, 130.71, 130.07 (d, $J = 9.0$ Hz), 128.71, 128.50, 127.98, 127.76, 127.51, 126.55, 126.47, 126.15, 114.90 (d, $J = 22.5$ Hz), 109.47. **HRMS** (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{24}\text{FO}_2$ $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$: 447.1755, found: 447.1759.



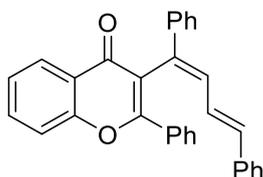
(2Z,3Z,5E)-2-((3-bromophenyl)(hydroxy)methylene)-1,3,6-triphenylhexa-3,5-dien-1-one (3x). Following the general procedure, the crude product was purified by column chromatography (PE/EA = 10:1:1, v/v) to provide the title compound as a yellow solid (129.4 mg, 85% yield). m.p. 136 - 138 °C. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 17.85 (s, 1H), 7.64 (s, 1H), 7.54 - 7.53 (m, 2H), 7.39 - 7.38 (m, 1H), 7.33 - 7.31 (m, 7H), 7.24 - 7.23 (m, 2H), 7.19 - 7.12 (m, 5H), 7.00 - 6.97 (m, 1H), 6.92 - 6.87 (m, 1H), 6.64 (d, $J = 18.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.50 (d, $J = 18.0$ Hz, 1H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (150 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 190.22, 188.61, 141.25, 138.92, 137.05, 136.63, 136.08, 135.25, 133.35, 131.54, 130.89, 130.56, 129.18, 128.67, 128.46, 127.94, 127.76, 127.56, 127.48, 126.53, 126.44, 126.01, 125.97, 121.72, 109.70. **HRMS** (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{24}\text{BrO}_2$ $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$: 501.1826, found: 501.1830.



(2Z,3Z,5E)-2-(hydroxy(4-methoxyphenyl)methylene)-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3,6-diphenylhexa-3,5-dien-1-one (3y). Following the general procedure, the crude product was purified by column chromatography (PE/EA = 20:1:1, v/v) to provide the title compound as a yellow solid (71.7 mg, 49% yield). m.p. 168 - 170 °C. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 18.40 (s, 1H), 7.56 - 7.54 (m, 4H), 7.42 - 7.40 (m, 2H), 7.30 - 7.29 (m, 4H), 7.20 - 7.17 (m, 3H), 7.13 - 7.10 (m, 1H), 6.98 - 6.93 (m, 1H), 6.71 (d, J = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 6.65 - 6.63 (m, 4H), 6.51 (d, J = 20.0 Hz, 1H), 3.69 (s, 6H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 188.93, 161.42, 141.41, 137.27, 137.25, 134.68, 131.25, 129.79, 129.61, 128.58, 128.40, 127.72, 127.34, 126.51, 126.49, 126.43, 113.01, 108.52, 77.26, 77.00, 76.75, 55.13. HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{33}\text{H}_{29}\text{O}_4$ $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$: 489.2060, found: 489.2062.

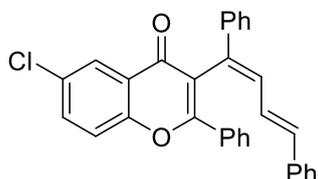


(4''-methoxy-4'-phenyl-[1,1':2',1''-terphenyl]-3'-yl)(4-methoxyphenyl)methanone (3y') Following the general procedure, the crude product was purified by column chromatography (PE/EA = 15:1:1, v/v) to provide the title compound as a white solid (22.0 mg, 16% yield). m.p. 190 - 192 °C. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.78 - 7.77 (m, 2H), 7.53 - 7.52 (m, 2H), 7.37 - 7.14 (m, 2H), 7.25 - 7.19 (m, 8H), 7.15 - 7.14 (m, 2H), 6.80 - 6.78 (m, 4H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.79 (s, 3H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 196.91, 163.39, 158.70, 141.76, 140.53, 140.02, 139.89, 139.08, 137.91, 132.94, 132.44, 132.32, 130.91, 130.38, 129.82, 128.88, 128.30, 128.05, 127.37, 126.76, 113.53, 113.45, 55.40, 55.19. HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{33}\text{H}_{27}\text{O}_3$ $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$: 471.1955, found: 471.1957



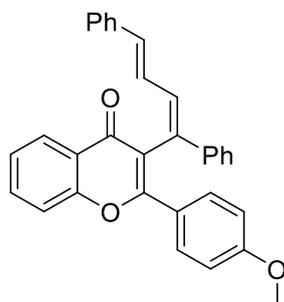
3-((1Z,3E)-1,4-diphenylbuta-1,3-dien-1-yl)-2-phenyl-4H-chromen-4-one (5a) Following the general procedure, the crude product was purified by column chromatography (PE/EA = 10:1:1, v/v) to provide the title compound as a yellow solid (58.3 mg, 46% yield) m.p. 174 - 176 °C. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.30 - 8.28 (m, 1H), 7.76 - 7.73 (m, 1H), 7.69 - 7.67 (m, 2H), 7.60 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 7.47 - 7.42 (m, 3H), 7.35 - 7.31 (m, 1H), 7.30 - 7.18 (m, 9H), 7.18 - 7.14 (m, 1H), 6.96 (d,

$J = 12.0$ Hz), 6.73 - 6.67 (m, 1H), 6.64-6.61 (d, $J = 18.0$ Hz, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 177.02, 162.54, 156.25, 140.12, 137.21, 135.19, 133.78, 133.63, 133.02, 131.04, 130.53, 128.51, 128.43, 128.20, 128.18, 127.65, 127.44, 126.55, 125.92, 125.90, 125.18, 123.19, 120.42, 118.03. HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{22}\text{O}_2\text{Na}$ $[\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$: 449.1512, found: 449.1513.



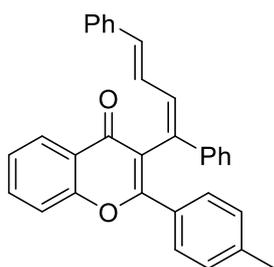
6-chloro-3-((1Z,3E)-1,4-diphenylbuta-1,3-dien-1-yl)-2-phenyl-4H-chromen-4-one (5b)

Following the general procedure, the crude product was purified by column chromatography (PE/EA = 10:1:1, v/v) to provide the title compound as a yellow solid (71.3 mg, 52% yield) m.p. 195 - 197 °C. ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.25 - 8.23 (m, 1H), 7.67 - 7.65 (m, 3H), 7.56 - 7.54 (m, 1H), 7.41 - 7.39 (m, 2H), 7.34 - 7.31 (m, 1H), 7.30 - 7.16 (m, 10H), 6.96 (d, $J = 15.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.70 - 6.61 (m, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 175.89, 162.78, 154.56, 139.89, 137.11, 135.48, 134.00, 133.15, 132.65, 131.22, 131.13, 130.75, 128.54, 128.45, 128.26, 128.17, 127.76, 127.52, 126.56, 125.88, 125.84, 125.69, 124.09, 120.46, 119.82. HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{21}\text{ClO}_2\text{Na}$ $[\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$: 483.1122, found: 483.1130.



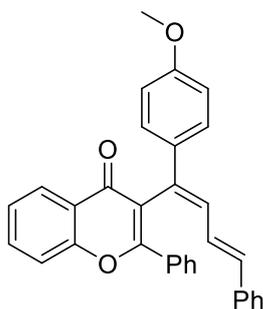
3-((1Z,3E)-1,4-diphenylbuta-1,3-dien-1-yl)-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-4H-chromen-4-one (5c)

Following the general procedure, the crude product was purified by column chromatography (PE/EA = 10:1:1, v/v) to provide the title compound as a yellow solid (56.3 mg, 41% yield) m.p. 82 - 84 °C. ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.28 - 8.26 (m, 1H), 7.75 - 7.70 (m, 3H), 7.60 - 7.58 (m, 1H), 7.47 - 7.42 (m, 3H), 7.29 - 7.24 (m, 4H), 7.24 - 7.20 (m, 3H), 7.18 - 7.14 (m, 1H), 7.01 (d, $J = 15.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.81 - 6.78 (m, 2H), 6.74 - 6.68 (m, 1H), 6.66 (d, $J = 15.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 177.00, 162.18, 161.29, 156.15, 140.02, 137.25, 135.14, 134.01, 133.63, 130.86, 129.99, 128.54, 128.41, 127.61, 127.45, 126.56, 126.51, 126.00, 125.88, 125.21, 125.03, 123.10, 119.38, 117.91, 113.68, 55.23. HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{24}\text{O}_3\text{Na}$ $[\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$: 479.1618, found: 479.1628.



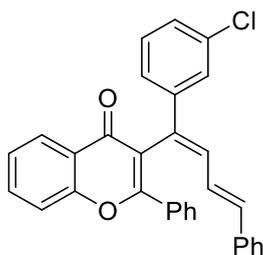
3-((1Z,3E)-1,4-diphenylbuta-1,3-dien-1-yl)-2-(p-tolyl)-4H-chromen-4-one (5d)

Following the general procedure, the crude product was purified by column chromatography (PE/EA = 10:1:1, v/v) to provide the title compound as a yellow solid (83.1 mg, 63% yield) m.p. 182 - 184 °C. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.29-8.27 (m, 1H), 7.74 - 7.70 (m, 1H), 7.62 - 7.57 (m, 3H), 7.46 - 7.42 (m, 3H), 7.28 - 7.19 (m, 7H), 7.17 - 7.13 (m, 1H), 7.09 - 7.07 (m, 2H), 6.98 (d, $J = 12.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.73 - 6.68 (m, 1H), 6.64 (d, $J = 18.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.28 (s, 3H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (150 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 177.04, 162.56, 156.21, 140.93, 140.05, 137.25, 135.10, 133.84, 133.68, 130.86, 130.12, 128.95, 128.50, 128.40, 128.12, 127.59, 127.41, 126.53, 126.49, 125.98, 125.88, 125.07, 123.13, 119.94, 117.98, 21.40. HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{24}\text{O}_2\text{Na}$ $[\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$: 463.1669, found: 463.1671.



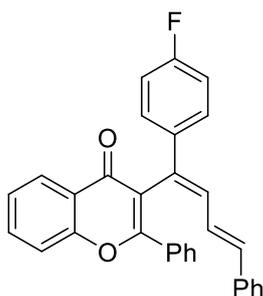
3-((1Z,3E)-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-4-phenylbuta-1,3-dien-1-yl)-2-phenyl-4H-chromen-4-one (5e)

Following the general procedure, the crude product was purified by column chromatography (PE/EA = 10:1:1, v/v) to provide the title compound as a yellow solid (65.2 mg, 48% yield) m.p. 234 - 236 °C. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.30 - 8.27 (m, 1H), 7.76 - 7.72 (m, 1H), 7.70 - 7.68 (m, 2H), 7.60 (d, $J = 15.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.46 - 7.43 (m, 1H), 7.39 - 7.36 (m, 2H), 7.35 - 7.27 (m, 3H), 7.25 - 7.19 (m, 4H), 7.16 - 7.14 (m, 1H), 6.88 (d, $J = 15.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.82 - 6.79 (m, 2H), 6.71 - 6.64 (m, 1H), 6.58 (d, $J = 20.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.77 (s, 3H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 177.06, 162.38, 159.15, 156.25, 137.38, 134.23, 133.75, 133.22, 133.05, 132.74, 130.52, 129.22, 128.40, 128.20, 128.15, 127.44, 127.09, 126.56, 126.44, 126.06, 125.15, 123.20, 120.47, 118.02, 114.01, 55.22. HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{24}\text{O}_3\text{Na}$ $[\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$: 479.1618, found: 479.1625.



3-((1Z,3E)-1-(3-chlorophenyl)-4-phenylbuta-1,3-dien-1-yl)-2-phenyl-4H-chromen-4-one (5f)

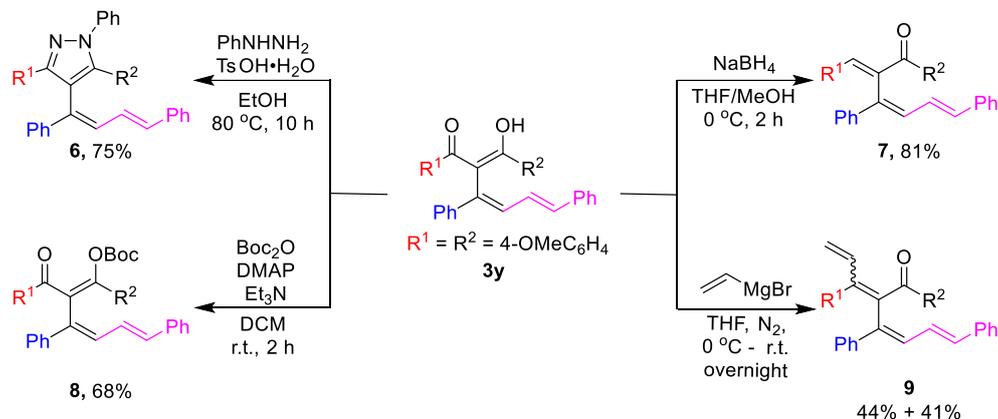
Following the general procedure, the crude product was purified by column chromatography (PE/EA = 10:1:1, v/v) to provide the title compound as a yellow solid (90.3 mg, 65% yield) m.p. 145 - 147 °C. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.25 - 8.23 (m, 1H), 7.70 - 7.65 (m, 3H), 7.57 - 7.54 (m, 1H), 7.41 - 7.39 (m, 1H), 7.33 - 7.31 (m, 1H), 7.30 - 7.16 (m, 10 H), 6.96 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 6.70 - 6.62 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 175.89, 162.78, 154.56, 139.89, 137.11, 135.48, 134.00, 133.15, 132.65, 131.22, 131.13, 130.75, 128.54, 128.45, 128.26, 128.17, 127.76, 127.52, 126.56, 125.88, 125.84, 125.69, 124.09, 120.46, 119.82, 77.25, 77.00, 76.75. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₃₁H₂₁ClO₂Na [M + Na]⁺: 483.1122, found: 483.1136.



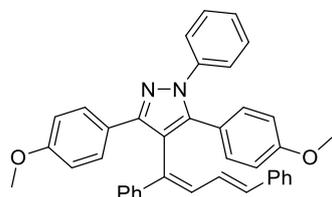
3-((1Z,3E)-1-(4-fluorophenyl)-4-phenylbuta-1,3-dien-1-yl)-2-phenyl-4H-chromen-4-one (5g)

Following the general procedure, the crude product was purified by column chromatography (PE/EA = 10:1:1, v/v) to provide the title compound as a yellow solid (84.5 mg, 63% yield) m.p. 184 - 186 °C. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.30 - 8.27 (m, 1H), 7.78 - 7.73 (m, 1H), 7.67 - 7.64 (m, 2H), 7.66 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 7.49 - 7.45 (m, 1H), 7.40 - 7.33 (m, 3H), 7.31 - 7.21 (m, 6H), 7.19 - 7.15 (m, 1H), 6.96 - 6.92 (m, 2H), 6.90 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 6.72 - 6.65 (m, 1H), 6.63 (d, *J* = 20.0 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 176.96, 162.69, 162.22 (*J* = 246.3 Hz), 156.22, 137.09, 136.34 (*J* = 5.00 Hz), 135.31, 133.89, 132.89, 132.48, 131.00, 130.65, 128.44, 128.25, 128.12, 127.48 (*J* = 8.75 Hz), 127.45, 126.56, 126.52, 125.75, 125.28, 123.12, 120.25, 118.06, 115.43 (*J* = 22.5 Hz). HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₃₁H₂₁FO₂Na [M + Na]⁺: 467.1418, found: 467.1429.

4.4 Further transformations of **3y**



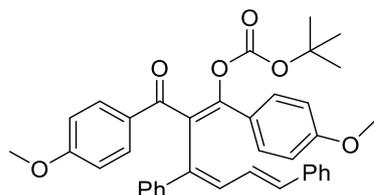
Procedure for preparation of **6**¹³: To an oven-dried 10 mL sealed tube charged with a PTFE-coated magnetic stirring bar, **3y** (0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv., 97.7 mg), *p*-toluenesulfonic acid monohydrate (0.6 mmol, 30 mol%, 11.4 mg), and phenylhydrazine (2.0 mmol, 10.0 equiv., 216.3 mg) are diluted in 2 mL ethanol and stirred at 80 °C. Upon the completion of reaction monitored by TLC, the reaction was quenched with water, and the aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate (3x10 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine (10 mL), dried over MgSO₄, and concentrated under reduced pressure the pure product was isolated by column chromatography on silica gel (PE: EA = 15: 1, v: v) as white solid. (83.6 mg, 75%).



¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.76 - 7.74 (m, 2H), 7.43 - 7.40 (m, 4H), 7.33 - 7.30 (m, 2H), 7.25 - 7.18 (m, 7H), 7.14 - 7.12 (m, 2H), 7.00 - 6.96 (m, 3H), 6.86 - 6.81 (m, 1H), 6.77 - 6.75 (m, 2H), 6.62 - 6.657 (m, 3H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 3.61 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.24, 159.16, 150.37, 142.19, 140.89, 140.10, 137.37, 134.06, 130.87, 130.63, 128.71, 128.43, 128.33, 128.29, 127.47, 127.26, 127.22, 126.80, 126.47, 126.36, 125.79, 124.78, 122.45, 116.66, 113.65, 113.63, 55.02, 54.94. m.p. 74 - 76 °C HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₃₉H₃₃N₂O₂ [M + H]⁺: 561.2537, found: 561.2542

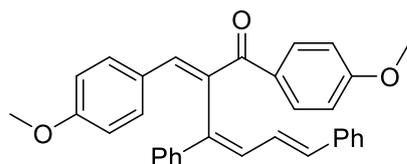
Procedure for preparation of **8**¹⁴: To an oven-dried 10 mL sealed tube charged with a PTFE-coated magnetic stirring bar, **3y** (0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv., 97.7 mg), DMAP (0.02 mmol, 10 mol%, 2.4 mg) and Et₃N (0.22 mmol, 1.1 equiv., 22.3 mg) are diluted in 2 mL DCM. Boc₂O (0.3 mmol, 1.5 equiv., 65.5 mg) was added to the reaction vessel, and the reaction was stirred for 2 h at room temperature. Upon the completion of reaction monitored by TLC, the solution was transferred to a separatory funnel, and NaHSO₄ (0.5 M, 10 mL) was added. The layers were separated, and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3x10 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with

brine (10 mL), dried over MgSO₄, and concentrated under reduced pressure, the pure product was isolated by column chromatography on silica gel (PE: EA = 12: 1, v: v) as yellow solid. (80.6 mg, 68%)



¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.99 - 7.97 (m, 2H), 7.55 - 7.53 (m, 2H), 7.46 - 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.29 - 7.23 (m, 6H), 7.20 - 7.17 (m, 3H), 6.86 - 6.85 (m, 2H), 6.69 - 6.63 (m, 3H), 6.54 (d, *J* = 20.0 Hz, 1H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.66 (s, 3H), 1.34 (s, 9H). **¹³C NMR** (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.96, 163.12, 160.40, 151.46, 150.29, 139.88, 137.33, 137.12, 135.23, 131.46, 131.19, 130.64, 129.13, 128.43, 128.41, 127.64, 127.54, 126.93, 126.75, 126.58, 126.56, 125.72, 113.56, 113.44, 83.65, 55.33, 55.06, 27.42. m.p. 69 - 71 °C HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₃₈H₃₆O₆Na [M + Na]⁺: 611.2404, found: 611.2408

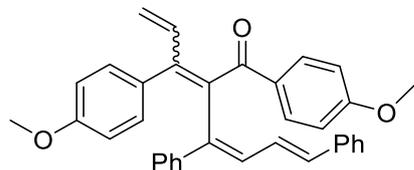
Procedure for preparation of **7**¹⁵: To an oven-dried 10 mL Schlenk tube charged with a PTFE-coated magnetic stirring bar, **3y** (0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv., 97.7 mg) are diluted in dry THF and methanol (THF: MeOH=1:1, v: v) at 0 °C. NaBH₄ (0.6 mmol, 3.0 equiv., 22.7 mg) was added to the reaction vessel, and the reaction was stirred for 2 h at room temperature under N₂ atmosphere. Upon the completion of reaction monitored by TLC, and the reaction was quenched with water, and the aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate (3x10 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine (10 mL), dried over MgSO₄, and concentrated under reduced pressure, the pure product was isolated by column chromatography on silica gel (PE: EA = 9: 1, v: v) as white solid. (76.6 mg, 81%)



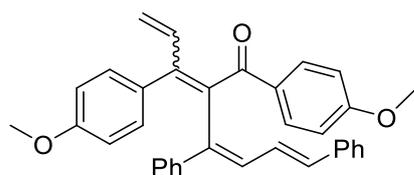
¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.89 - 7.87 (m, 2H), 7.54 - 7.50 (m, 5H), 7.28 - 7.12 (m, 8H), 6.99 - 6.90 (m, 4H), 6.73 - 6.67 (m, 3H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.67 (s, 3H). **¹³C NMR** (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 195.57, 162.62, 160.56, 142.62, 139.14, 138.04, 137.32, 135.40, 134.94, 131.87, 131.76, 131.01, 129.81, 128.60, 128.41, 127.60, 127.56, 127.21, 126.49, 126.47, 126.15, 113.94, 113.41, 55.34, 55.09. m.p. 71 - 73 °C HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₃₃H₂₉O₃ [M + H]⁺: 473.2111, found: 473.2116

Procedure for preparation of **9**¹⁶: To an oven-dried 10 mL sealed tube charged with a PTFE-coated magnetic stirring bar, **3y** (0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv., 97.7 mg) are diluted in 2 mL dry THF at 0 °C. Vinylmagnesium bromide solution (0.1 M in THF, 8 mL, 0.8 mmol) was added dropwise and the reaction mixture was slowly allowed to reach room temperature overnight. Upon the completion of reaction monitored by TLC, the reaction

was quenched with Sat. NH₄Cl-solution (10 mL), and the aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate (3x10 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine (10 mL), dried over MgSO₄, and concentrated under reduced pressure, the pure product was isolated by column chromatography on silica gel (PE: EA = 15: 1, v: v) as white solid. (**9** (isomer 1): 44.0 mg, 44%, **9** (isomer 2): 40.4 mg, 41%).

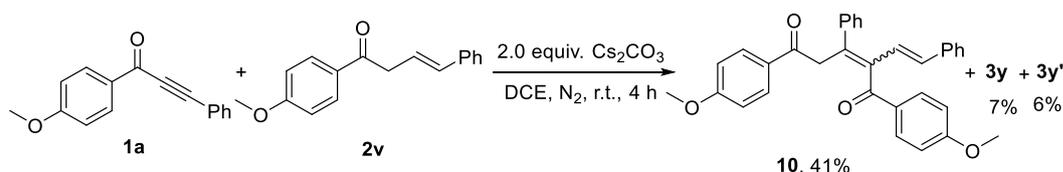


9 (isomer 1) ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.00 - 7.98 (m, 2H), 7.35 - 7.32 (m, 2H), 7.29 - 7.21 (m, 5H), 7.19 - 7.10 (m, 6H), 6.89 - 6.78 (m, 3H), 6.64-6.62 (m, 2H), 6.48 - 6.39 (m, 2H), 5.30 (dd, *J* = 10.7, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 5.16 (dd, *J* = 17.1, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 3.66 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.13, 163.45, 159.08, 147.04, 141.02, 140.33, 137.94, 137.38, 136.99, 134.56, 131.99, 131.05, 130.77, 130.30, 130.08, 128.53, 127.96, 127.64, 127.44, 127.15, 126.96, 126.53, 121.35, 113.64, 113.03, 55.41, 55.07. m.p. 82 - 84 °C HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₃₅H₃₁O₃ [M + H]⁺: 499.2268, found: 499.2273



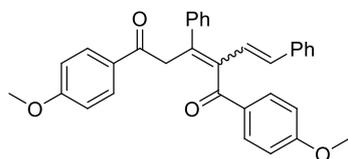
9 (isomer 2) ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.71 - 6.69 (m, 2H), 7.50 - 7.48 (m, 2H), 7.37 - 7.35 (m, 2H), 7.30 - 7.26 (m, 4H), 7.25 - 7.20 (m, 5H), 6.91 - 6.83 (m, 2H), 6.80 - 6.73 (m, 3H), 6.66 - 6.64 (m, 2H), 5.36 (dd, *J* = 10.7, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 5.21 (dd, *J* = 17.2, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 3.73 (s, 3H), 3.72 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 195.77, 162.71, 159.33, 145.57, 140.12, 138.94, 137.88, 137.54, 137.29, 135.30, 132.14, 131.72, 131.69, 130.33, 130.09, 128.62, 128.35, 127.78, 127.61, 127.24, 127.12, 126.51, 122.14, 113.50, 113.04, 55.25, 55.11. m.p. 81 - 83 °C HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₃₅H₃₁O₃. [M + H]⁺: 499.2268, found: 499.2269

4.5 Synthesis of 10



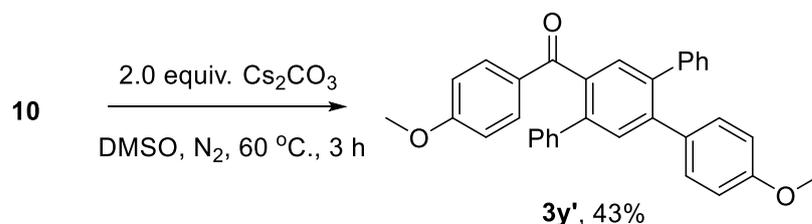
To an oven-dried 10 mL Schlenk tube charged with a PTFE-coated magnetic stirring bar, **1a** (0.3 mmol, 1.0 equiv., 70.9 mg), **2v** (0.36 mmol, 1.2 equiv., 90.8 mg) and Cs₂CO₃ (0.6 mmol, 2.0 equiv., 195.5 mg) are diluted in dry DCE and the reaction was stirred for 4 h at room temperature under N₂ atmosphere. Upon the completion of

reaction monitored by TLC, and the reaction was quenched with water, and the aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate (3x10 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine (10 mL), dried over MgSO₄, and concentrated under reduced pressure, the pure product was isolated by column chromatography on silica gel (PE: EA = 8: 1, v: v) as yellow solid. (60.5 mg, 41%)



¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) Obtained as 1.5: 1 isomer. major isomer: δ 8.11 - 8.09 (m, 3H), 7.75 - 7.73 (m, 2H), 7.43 - 7.37 (m, 4H), 6.94 - 6.92 (m, 3H), 6.83 - 6.80 (m, 3H), 6.27 (d, *J* = 18 Hz, 1H) 4.05 (s, 2H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 3.80 (s, 3H); minor isomer δ 8.06 - 8.04 (m, 2H), 6.99 - 6.96 (m, 3H), 6.48 (d, *J* = 18 Hz, 1H), 4.40 (s, 2H), 3.90 (s, 3H), 3.79 (s, 3H); other peaks are overlapped with the other isomer. **¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ 198.00, 197.59, 195.28, 194.69, 164.20, 163.85, 163.55, 163.35, 141.63, 140.08, 139.79, 139.64, 136.93, 136.00, 134.21, 133.64, 132.51, 132.45, 132.30, 130.68, 130.35, 129.91, 129.74, 129.59, 129.50, 129.34, 128.44, 128.23, 128.12, 128.00, 127.93, 127.74, 127.71, 127.37, 126.66, 126.48, 125.30, 123.88, 113.95, 113.60, 113.51, 55.55, 55.48, 55.39, 55.32, 45.27, 44.04. m.p. 185 - 187 °C HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₃₃H₂₈O₄Na [M + Na]⁺: 511.1880, found: 511.1875.

4.6 Synthesis of 3y'



To an oven-dried 10 mL Schlenk tube charged with a PTFE-coated magnetic stirring bar, **10** (0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv., 48.9 mg) and Cs₂CO₃ (0.2 mmol, 2.0 equiv., 65.2 mg) are diluted in dry DMSO and the reaction was stirred for 3 h at 60 °C under N₂ atmosphere. Upon the completion of reaction monitored by TLC, and the reaction was quenched with water, and the aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate (3x10 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine (10 mL), dried over MgSO₄, and concentrated under reduced pressure, the pure product was isolated by column chromatography on silica gel (PE: EA = 15: 1, v: v) as **3y'**. (20.2 mg, 43%)

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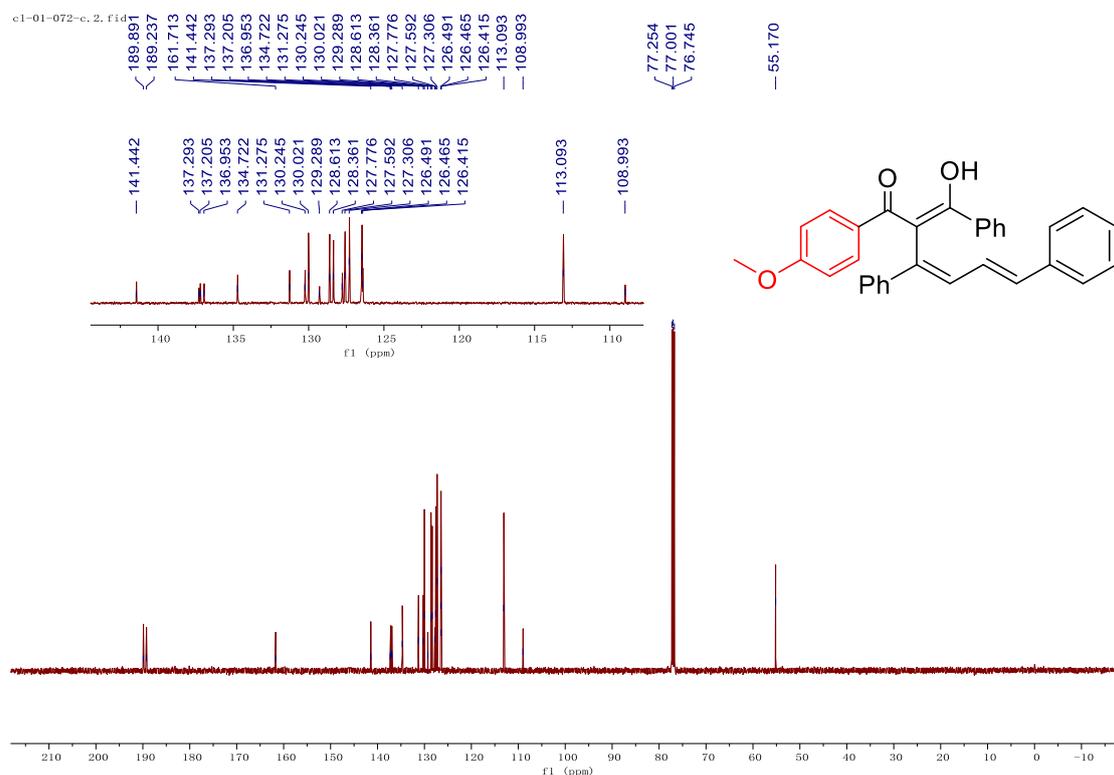
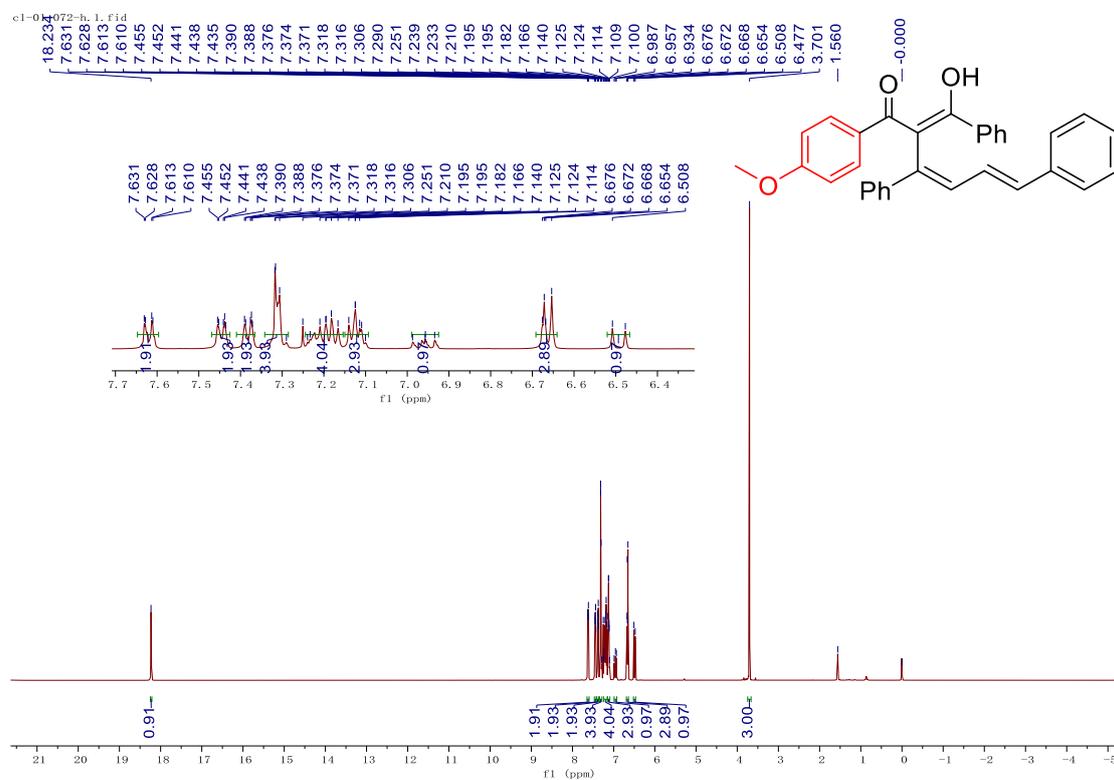
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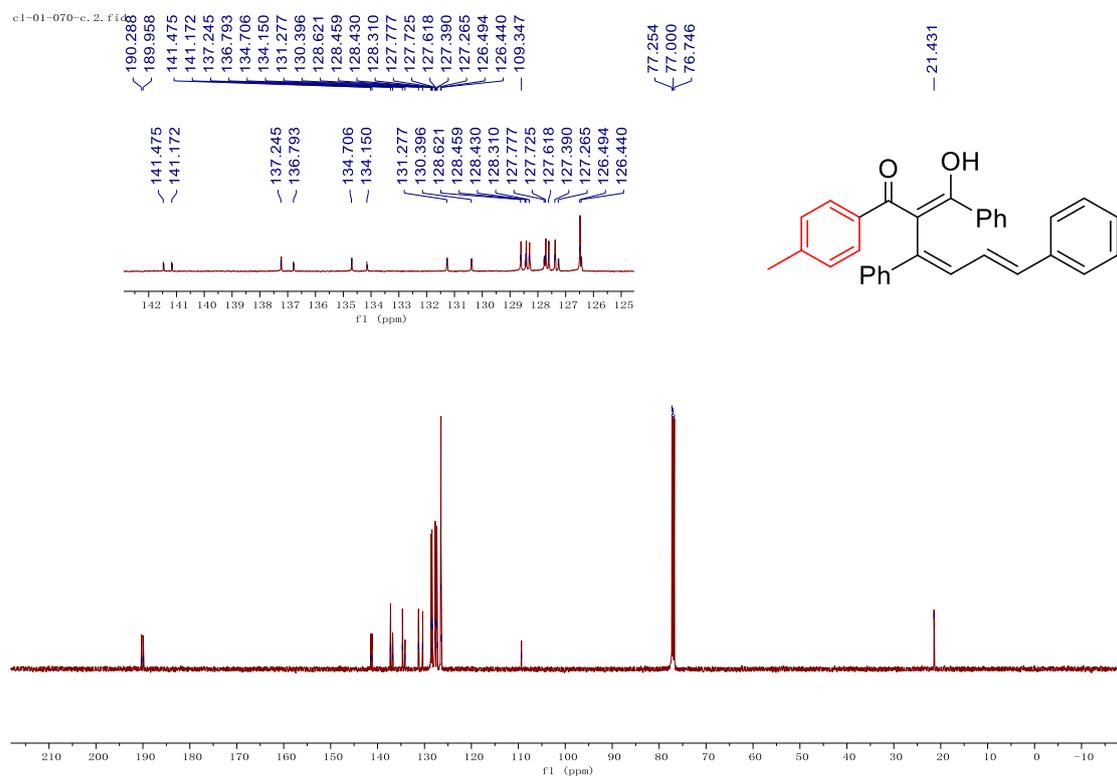
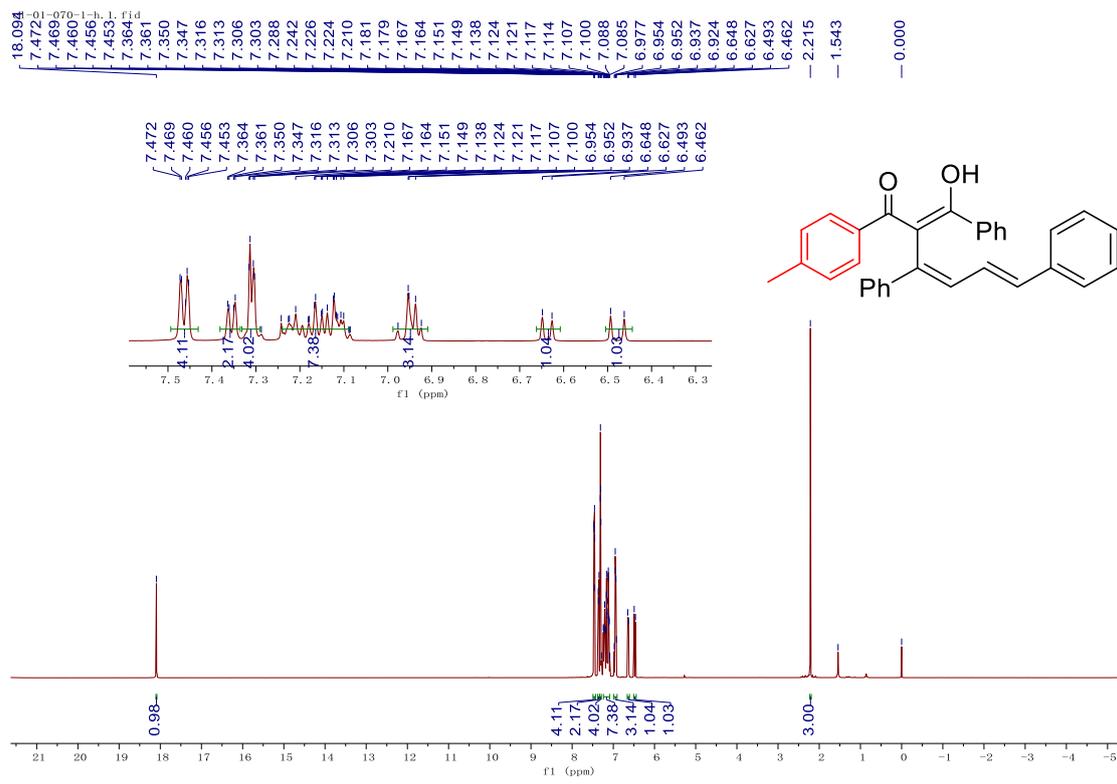
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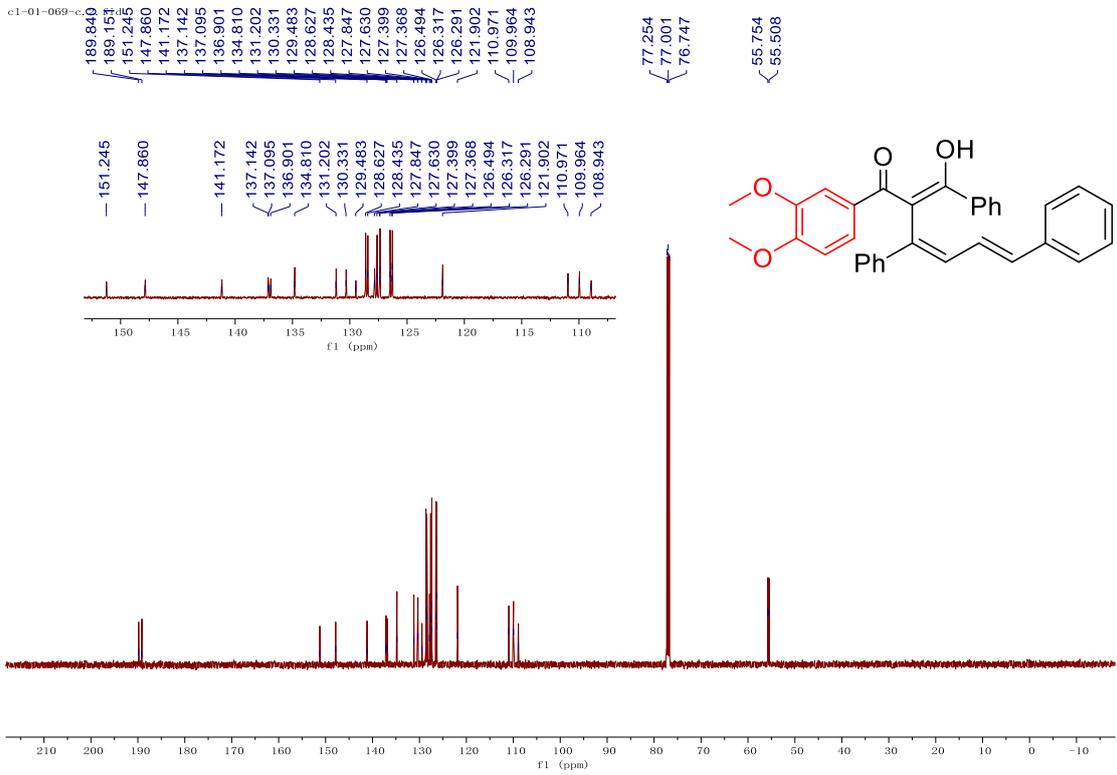
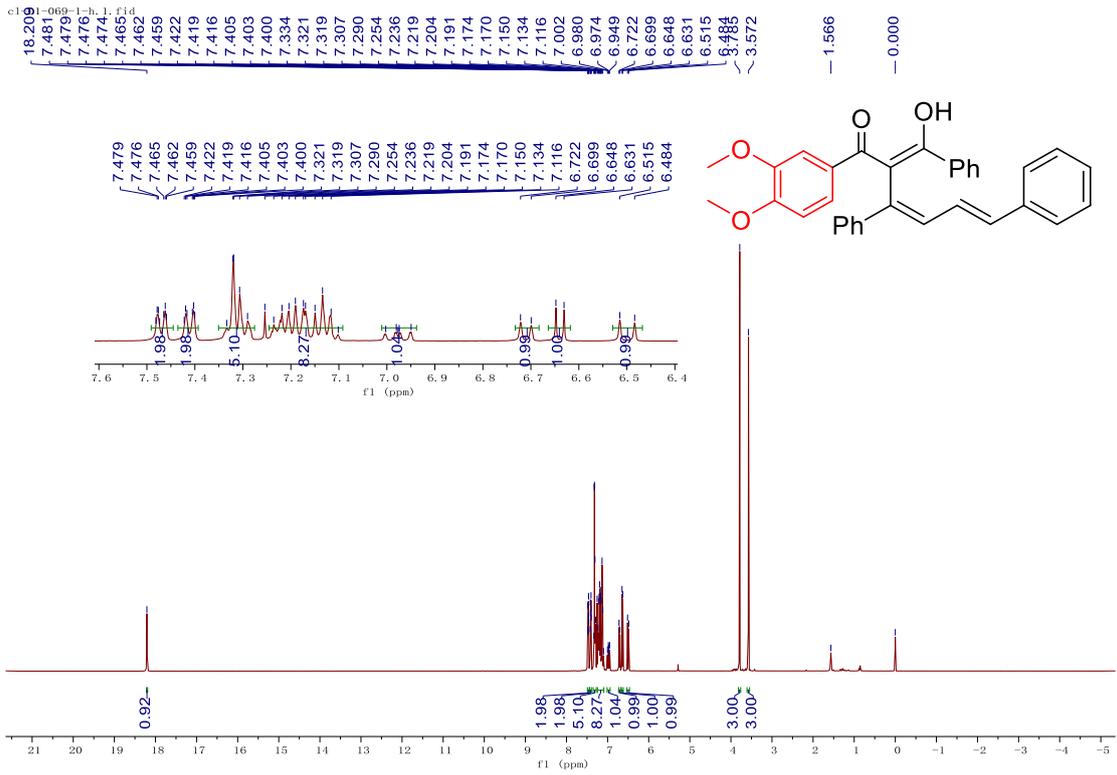
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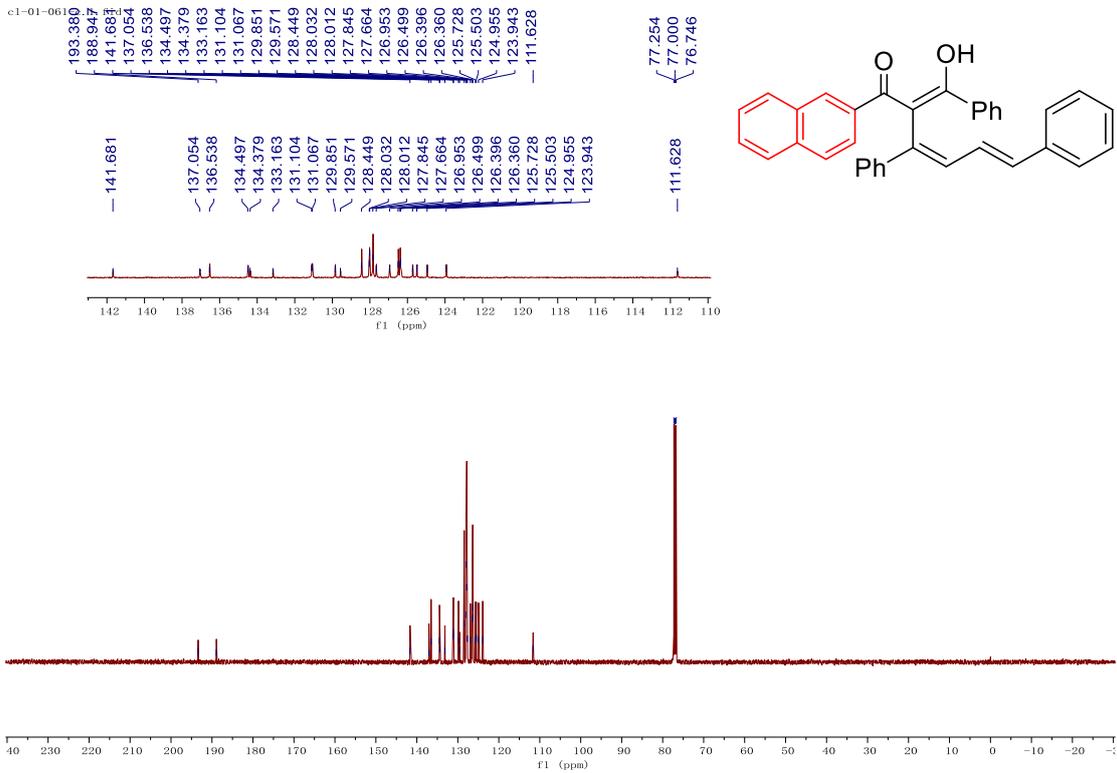
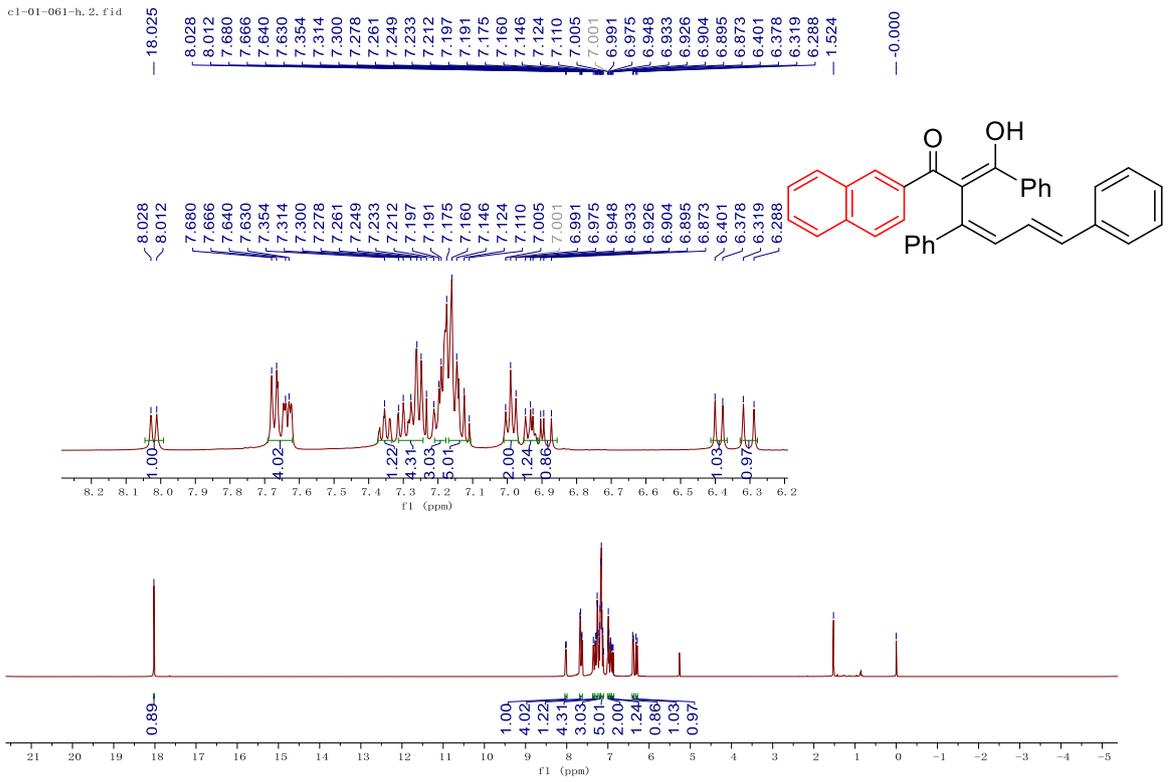
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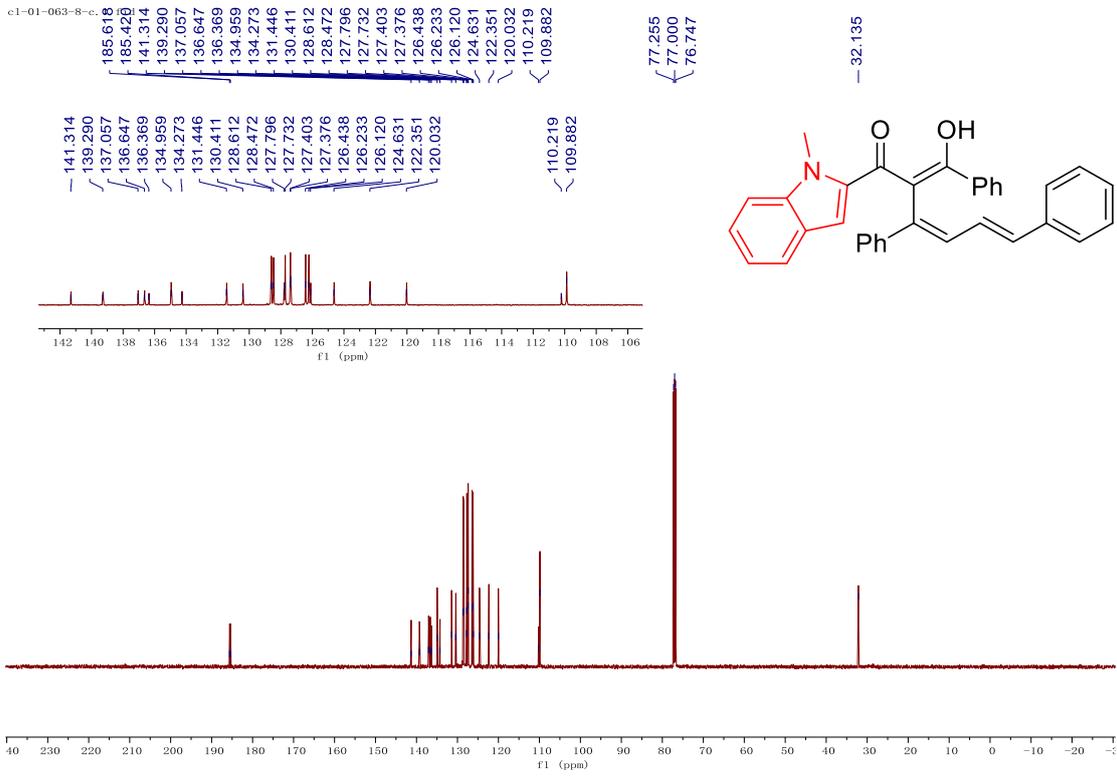
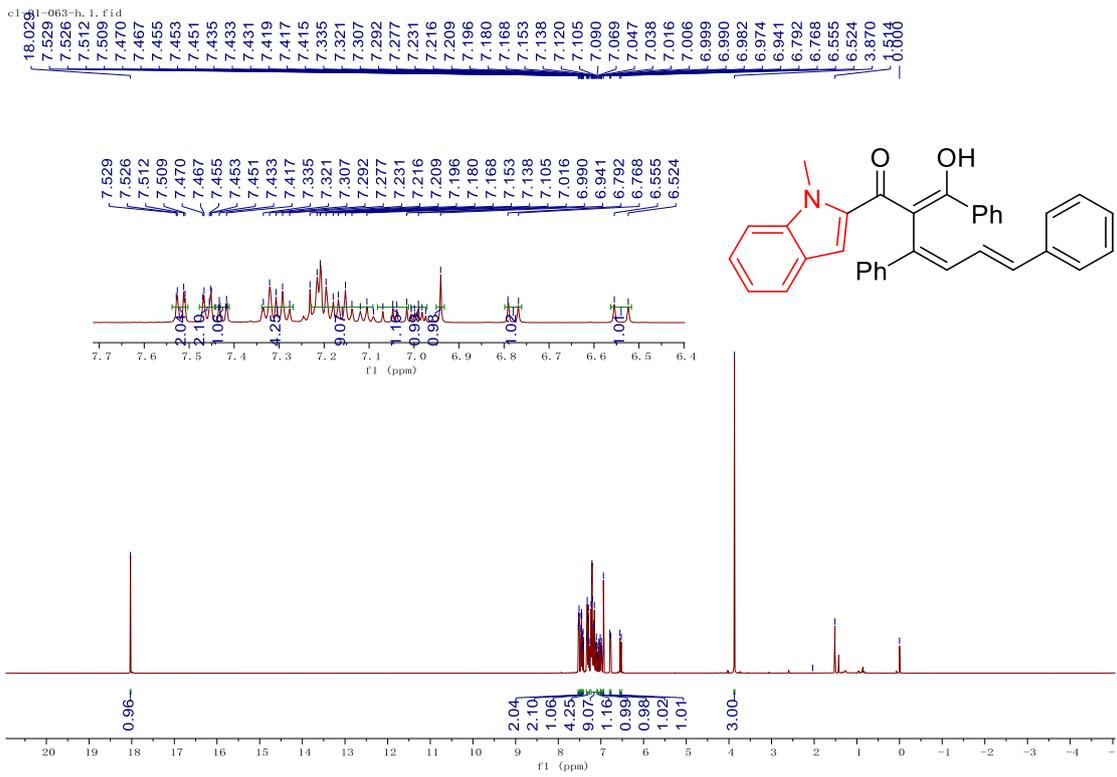




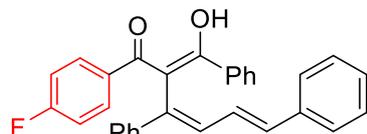
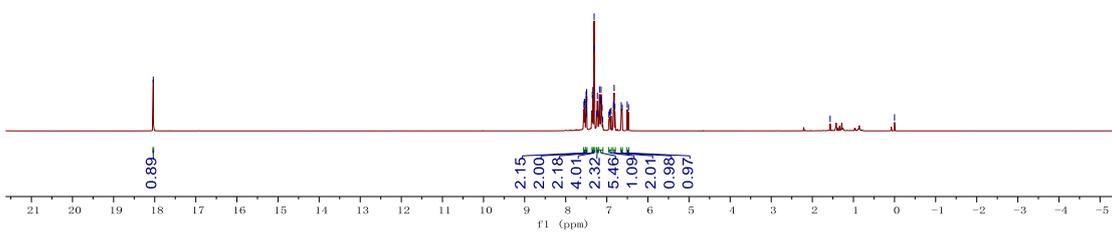
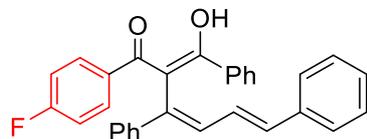
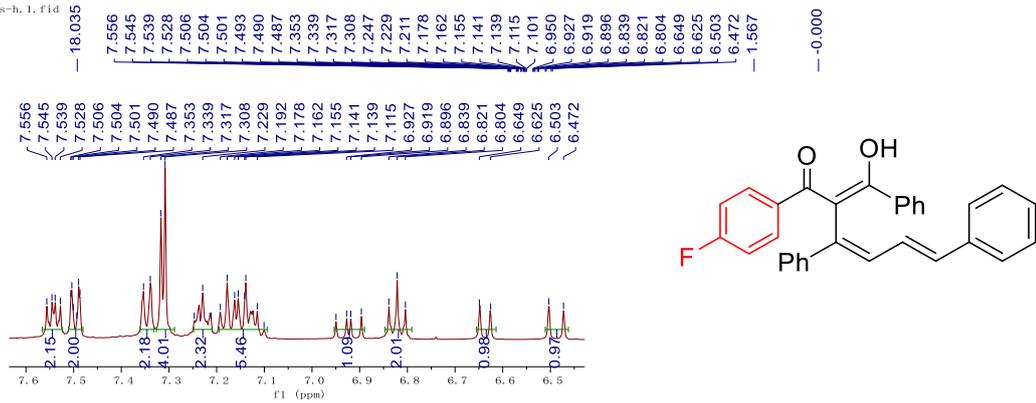


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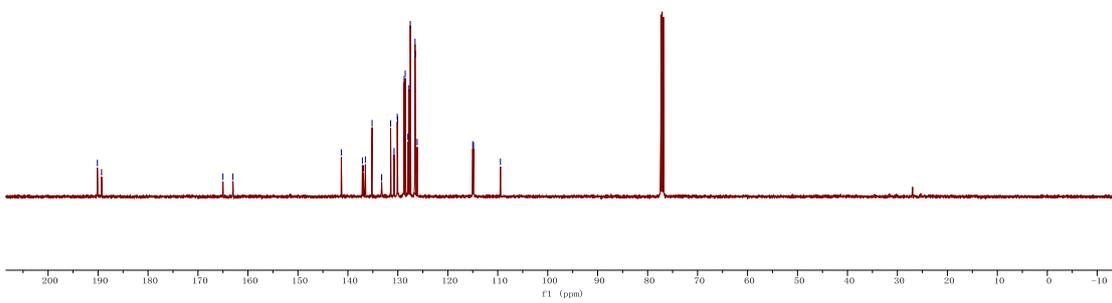
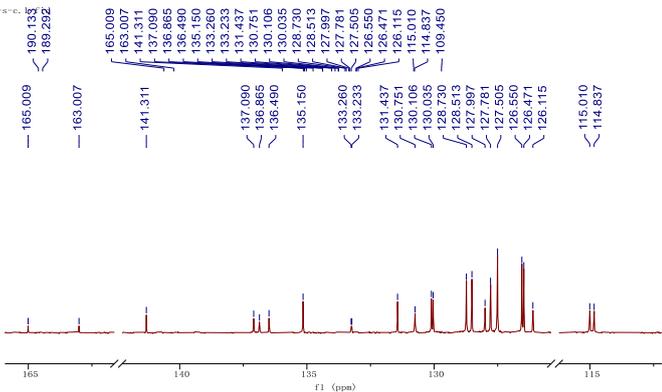




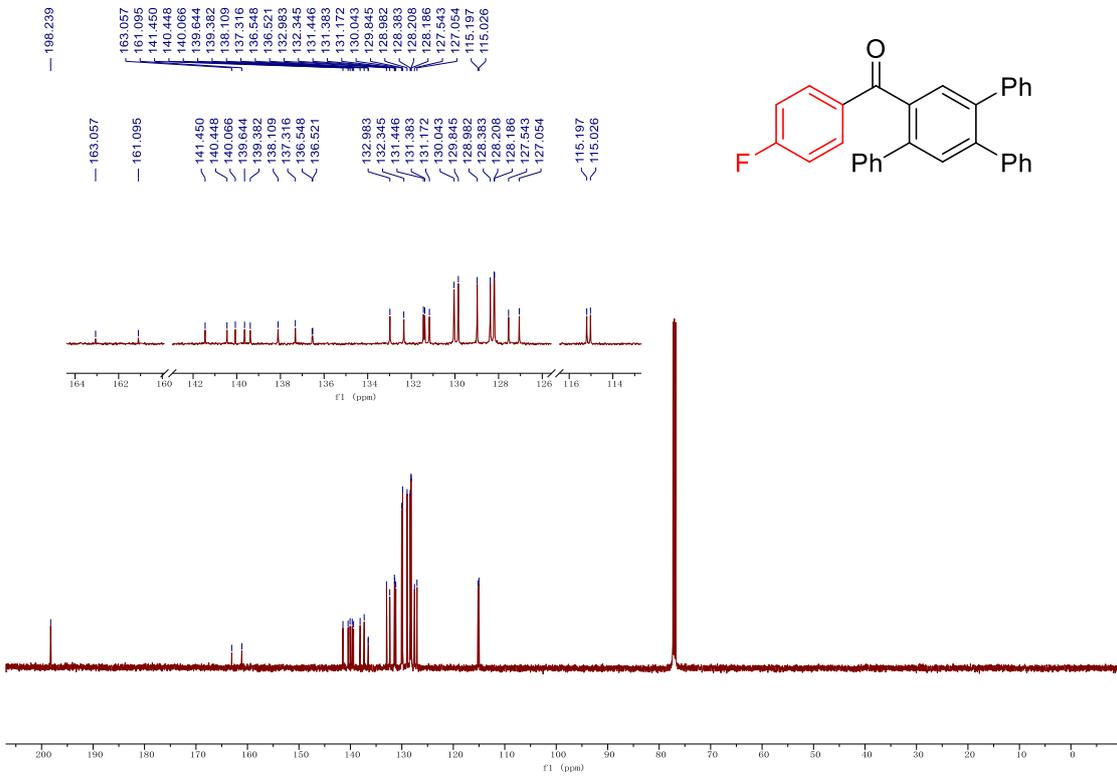
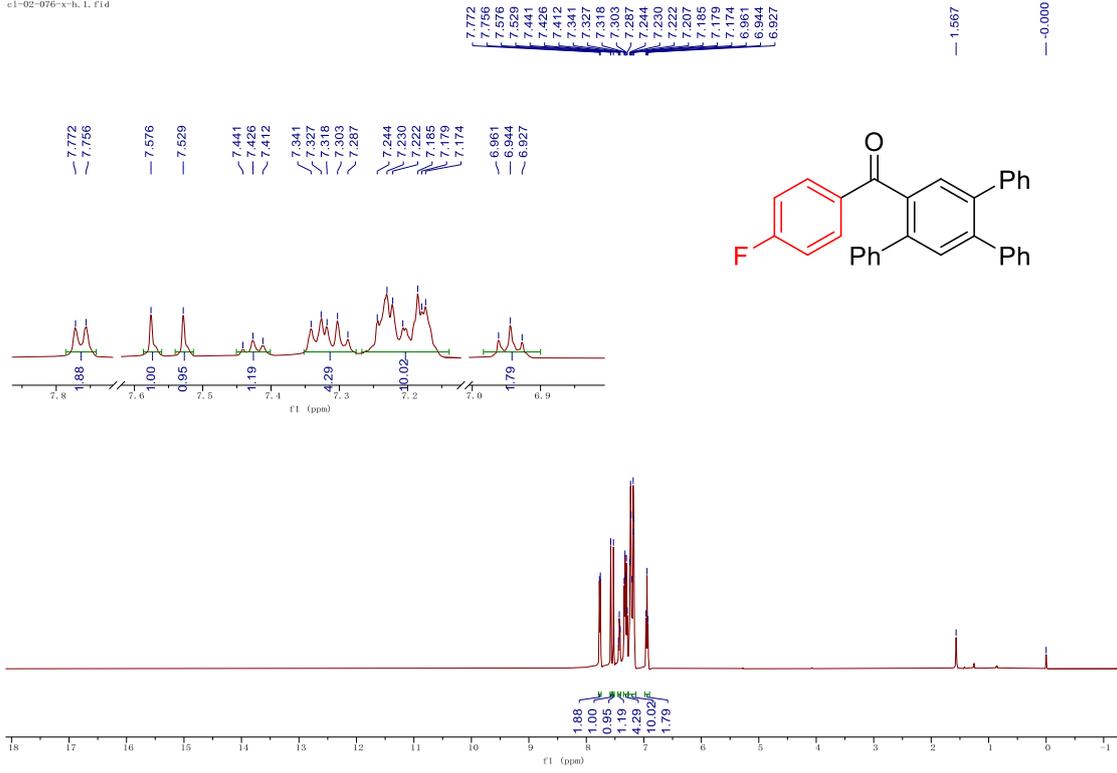
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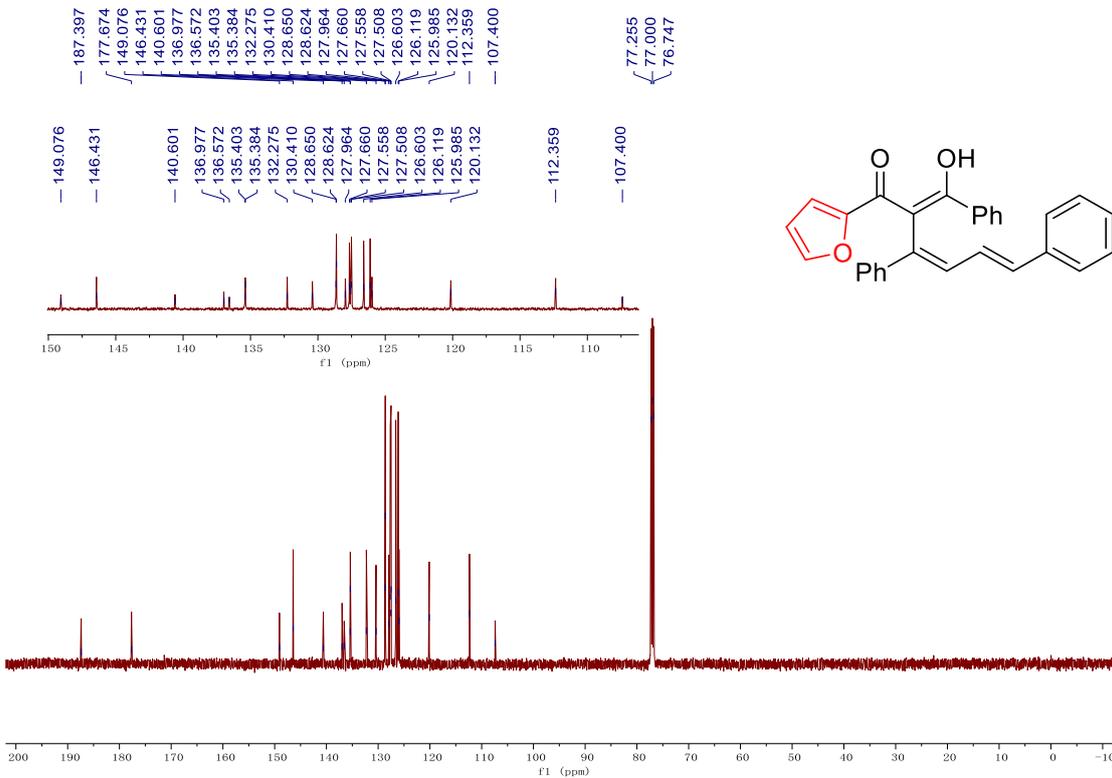
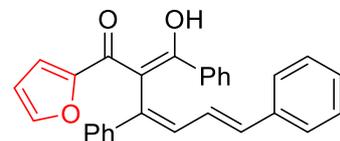
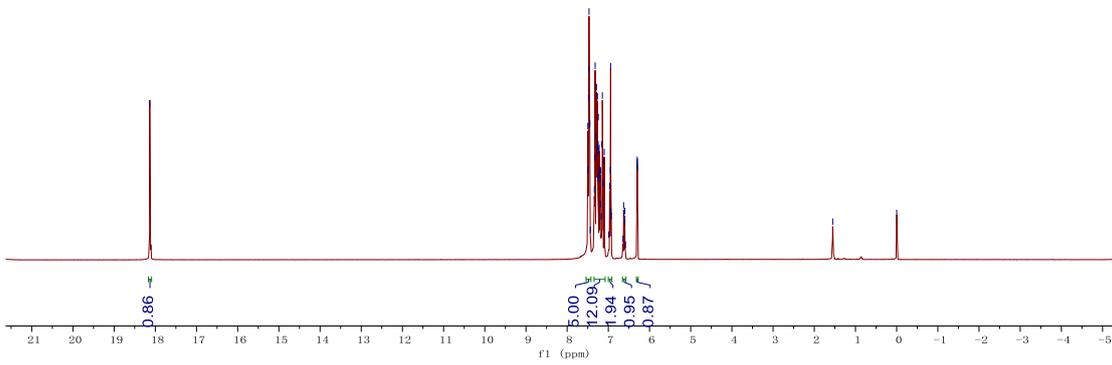
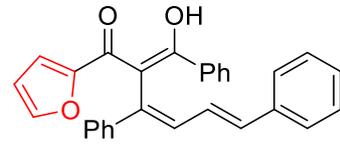
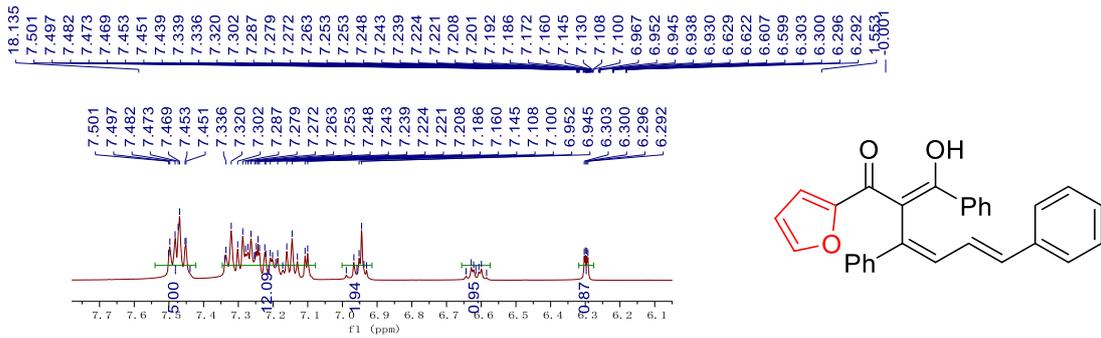


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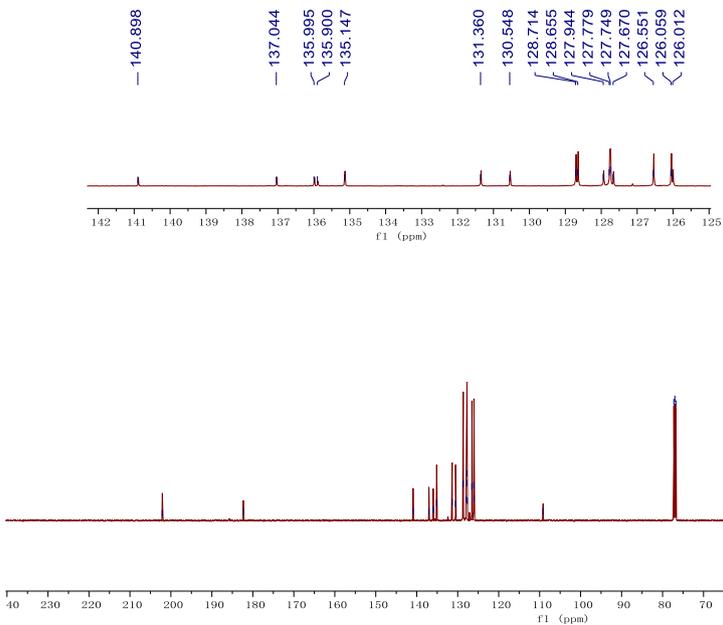
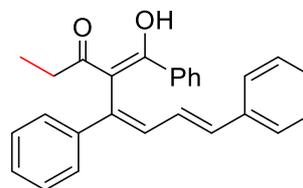
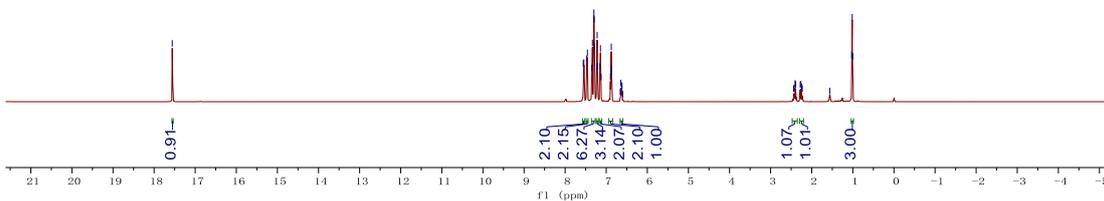
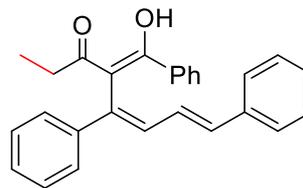
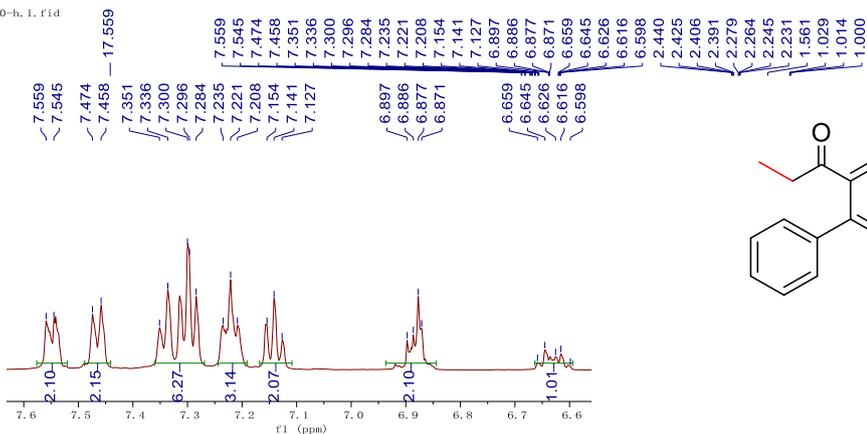


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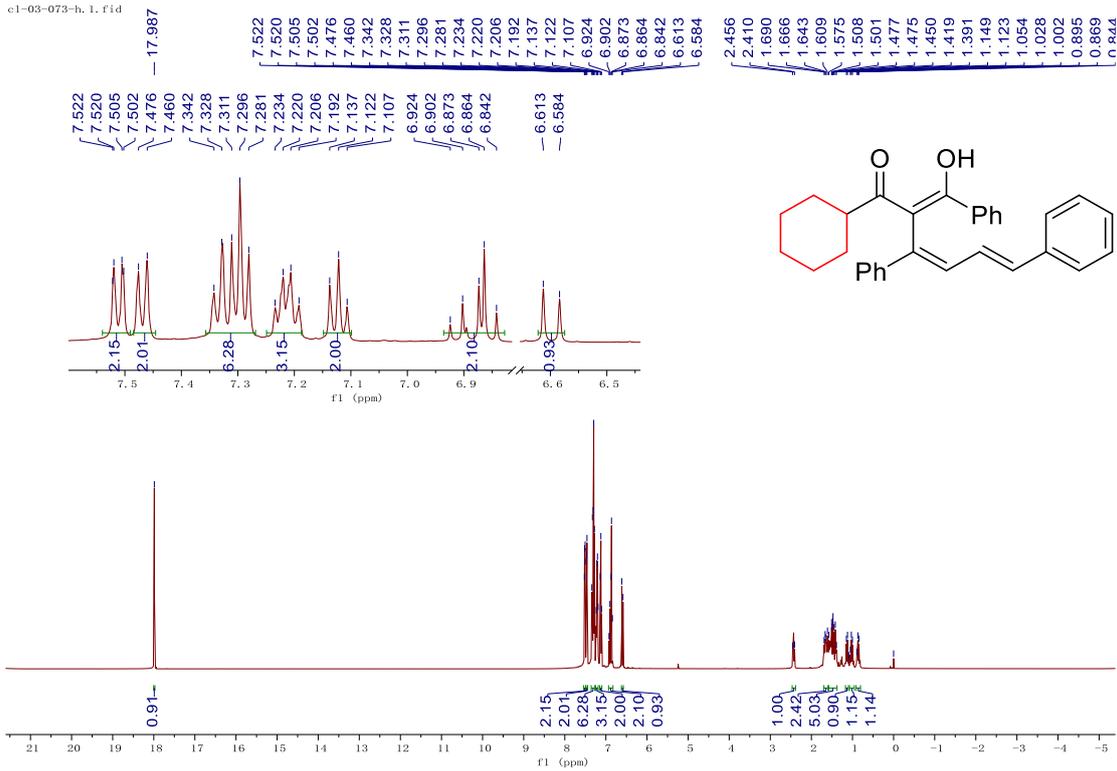




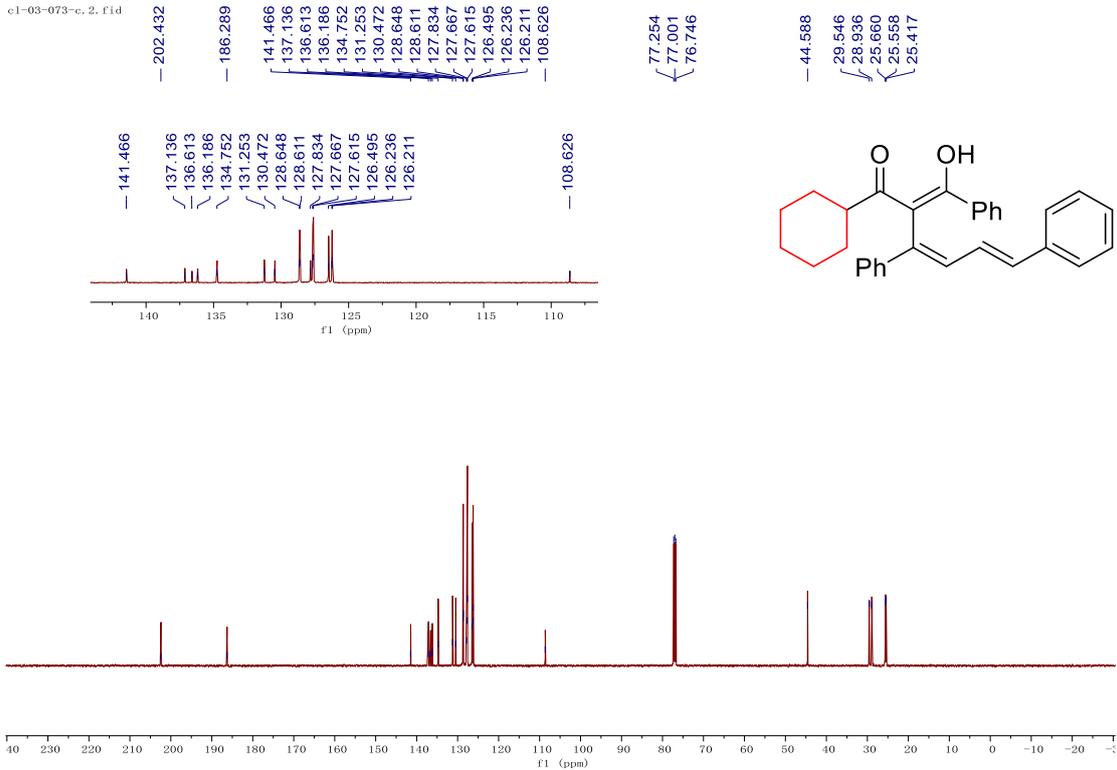
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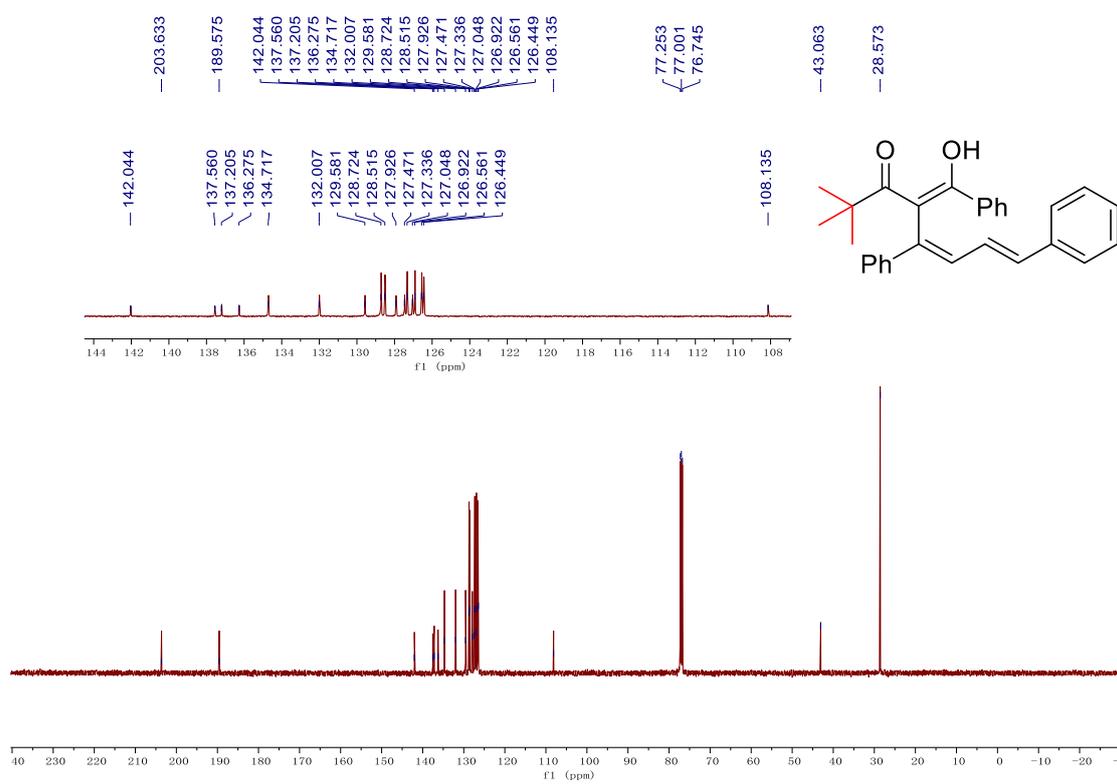
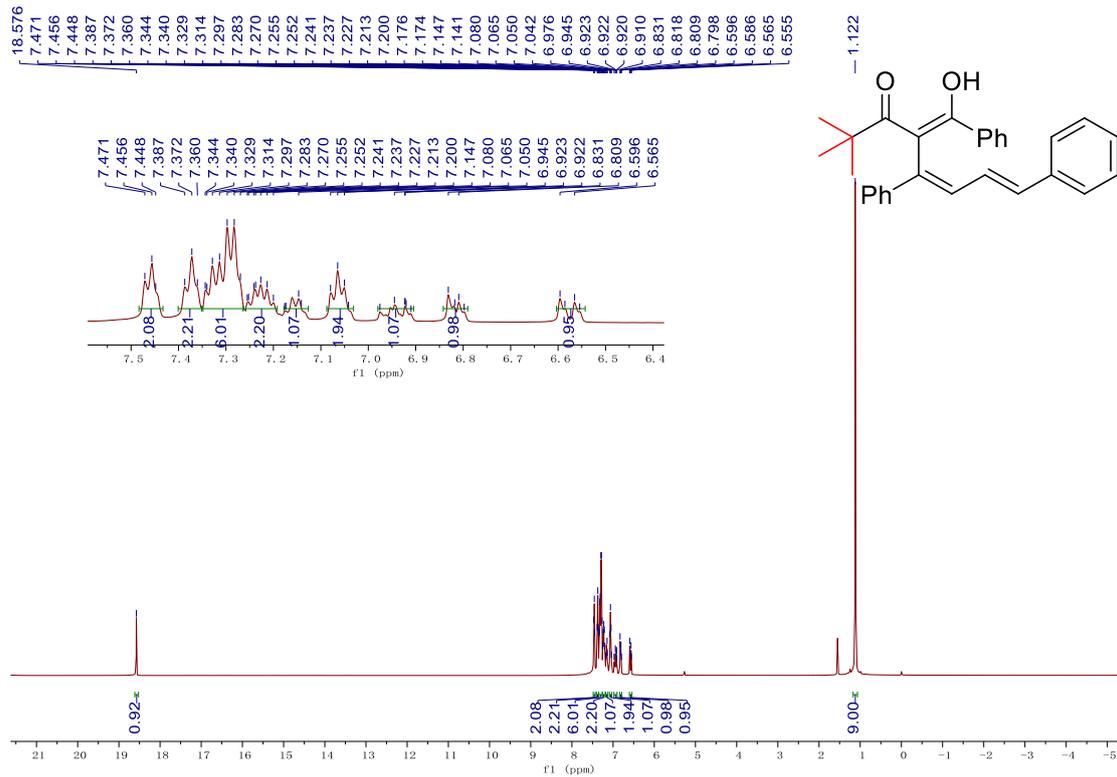


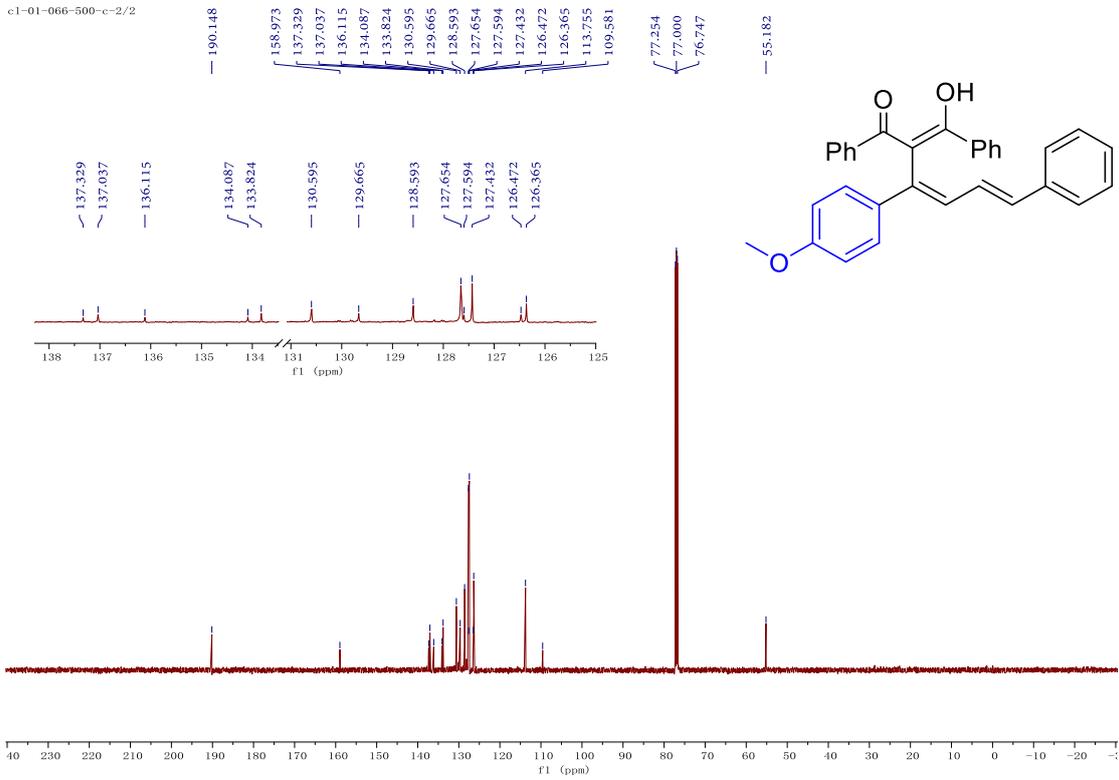
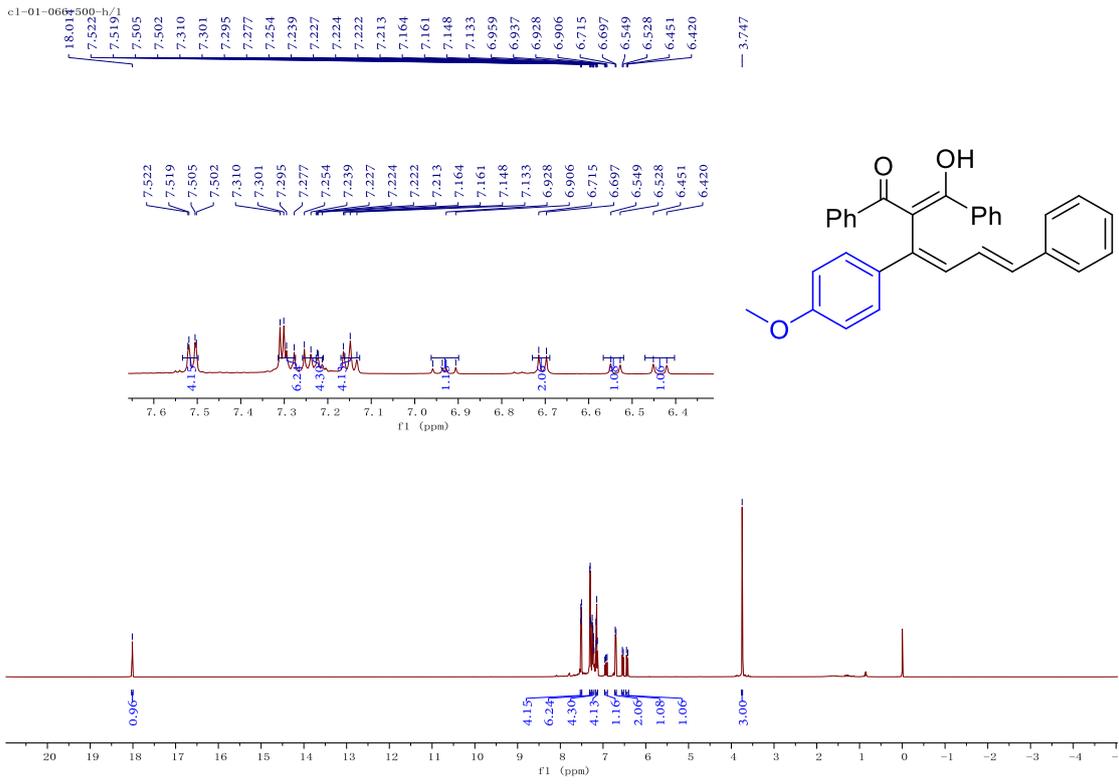
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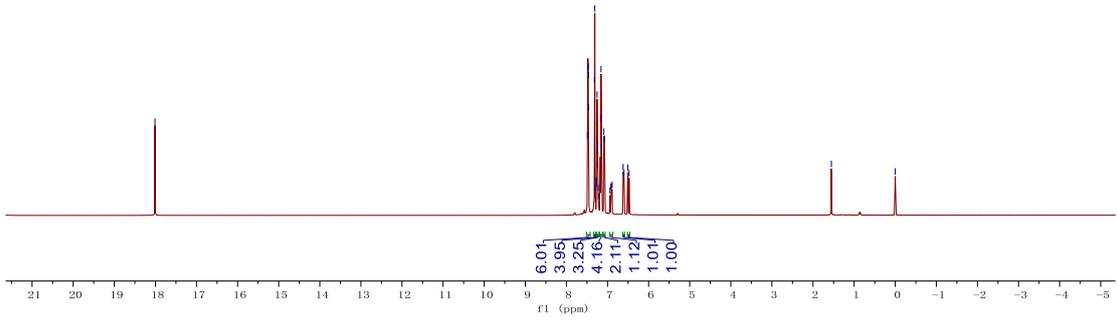
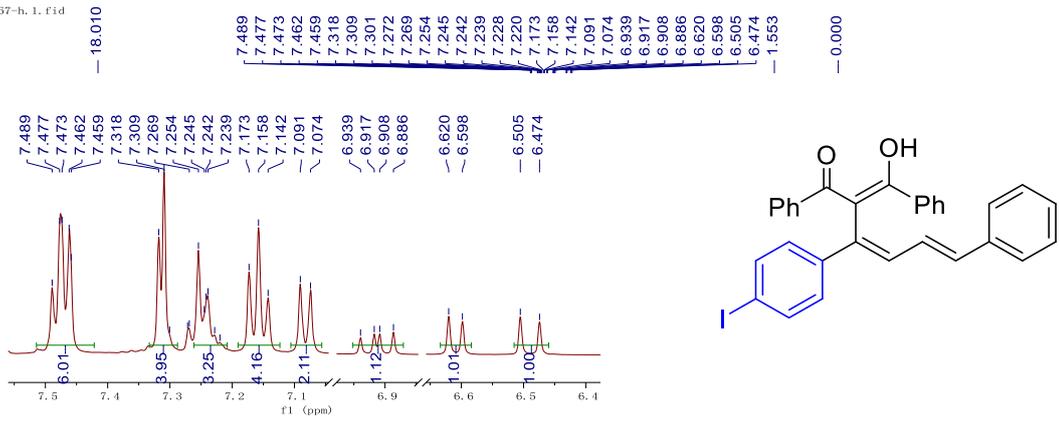
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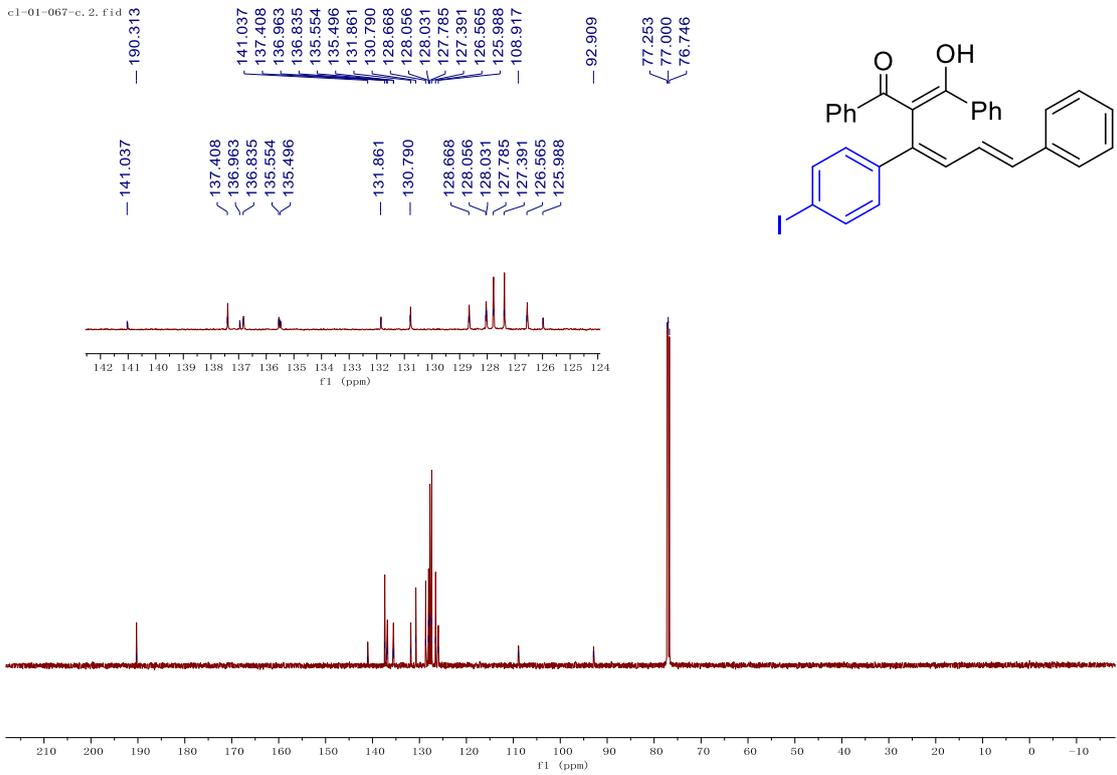




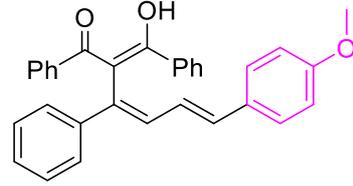
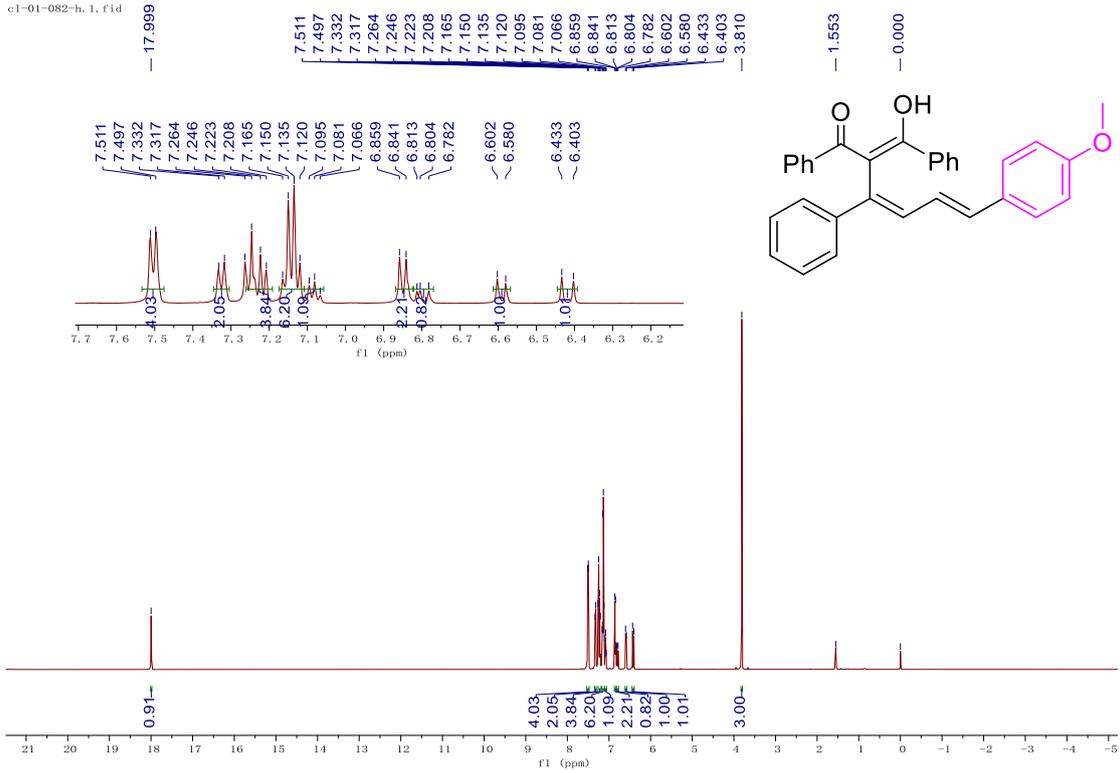
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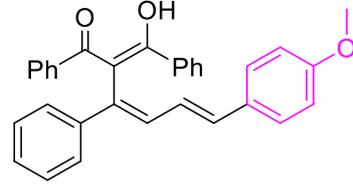
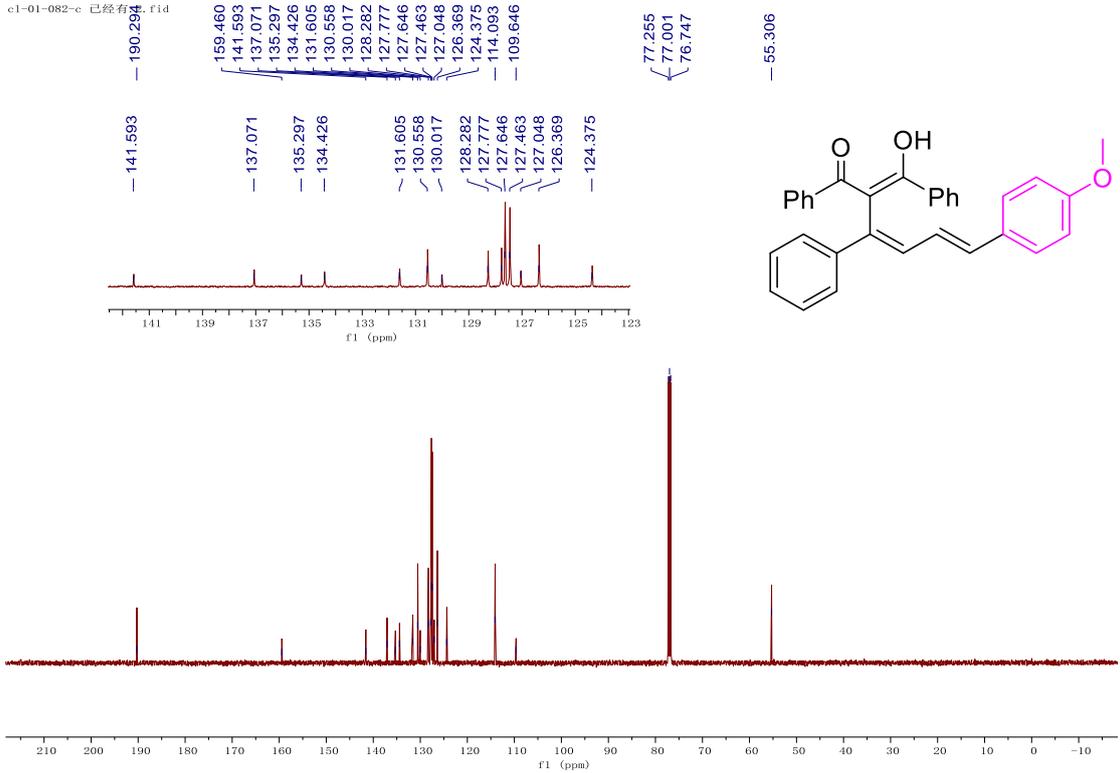
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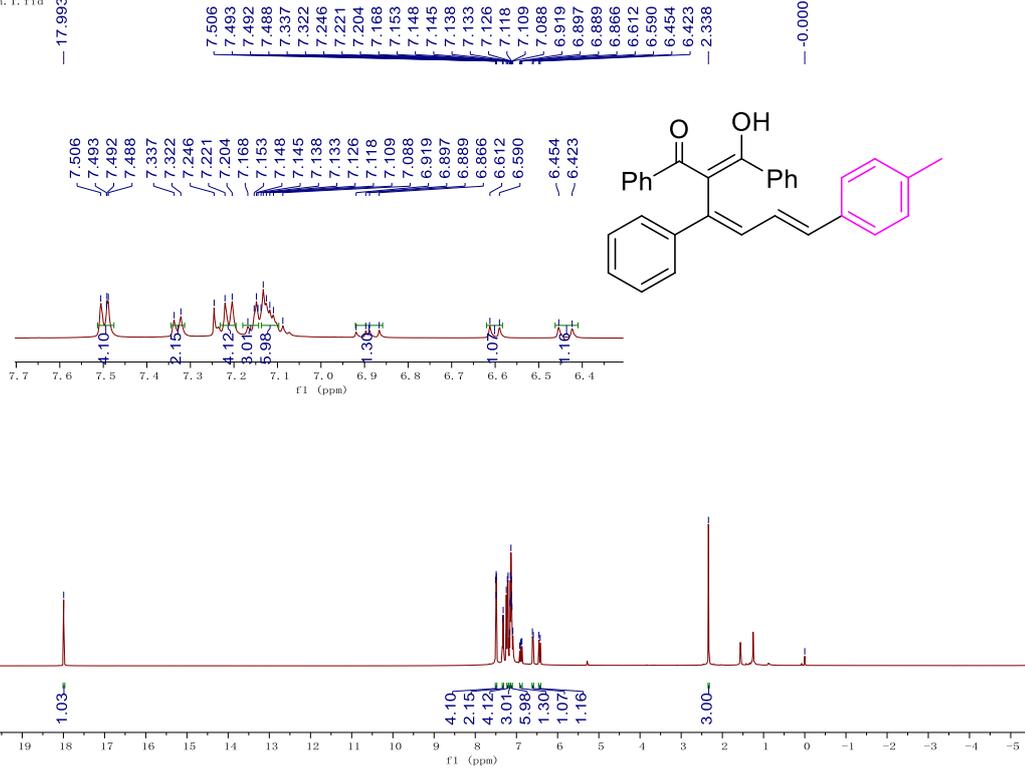
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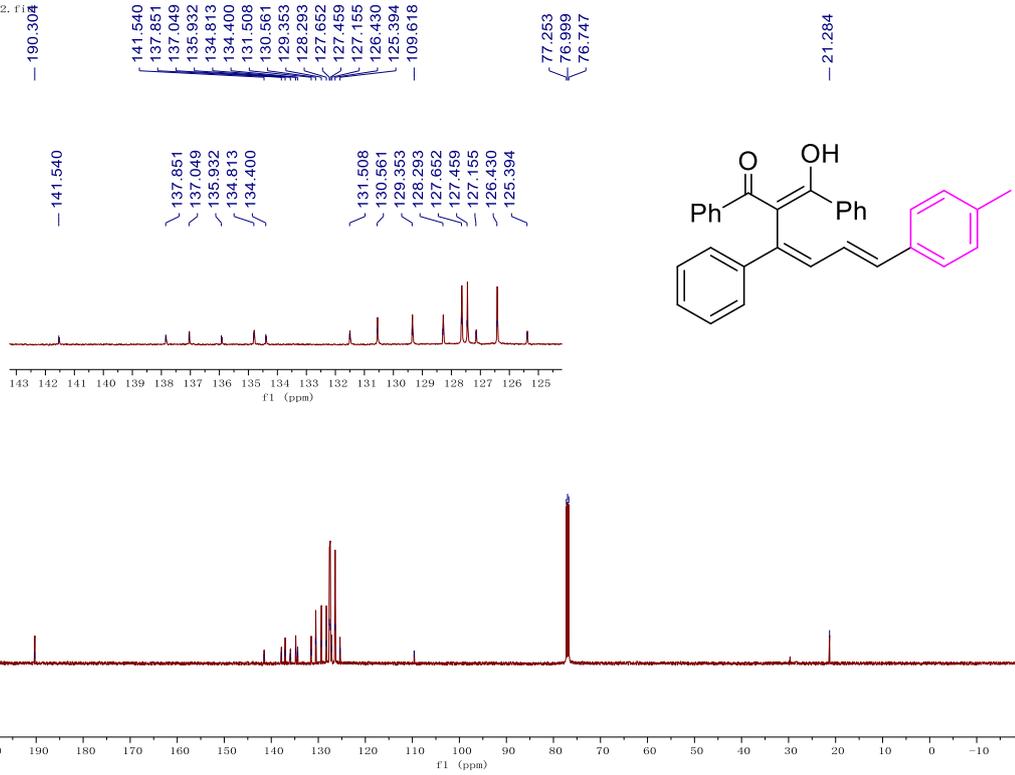
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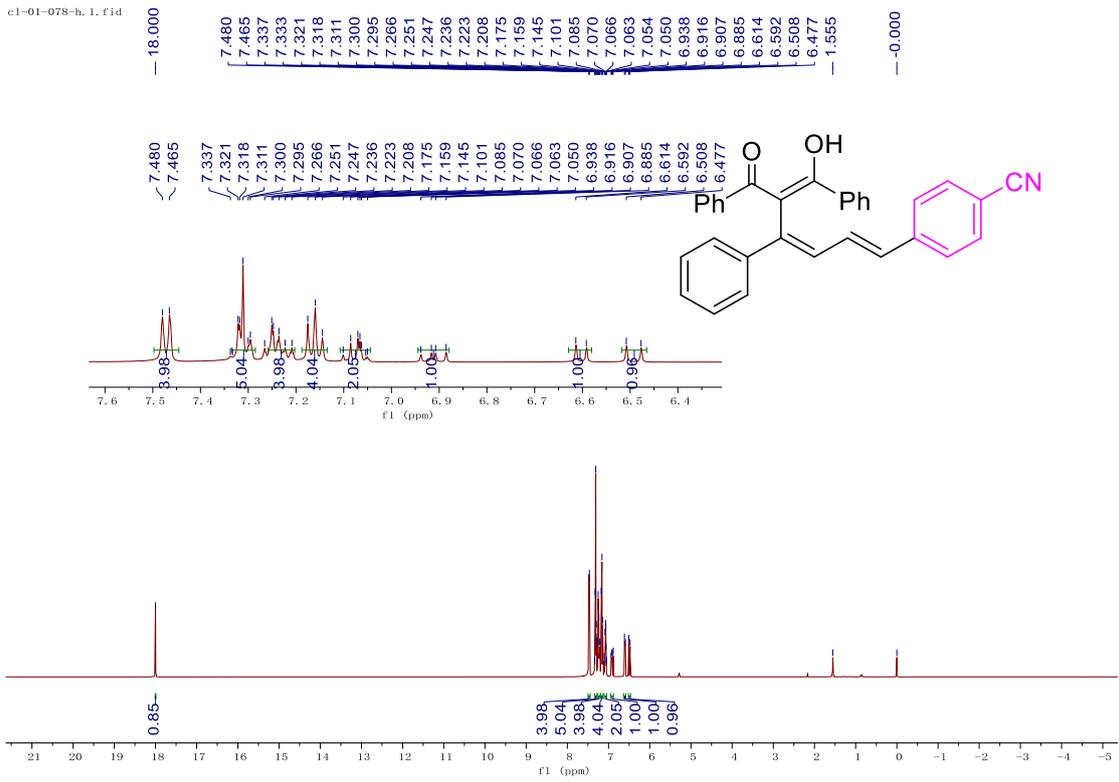
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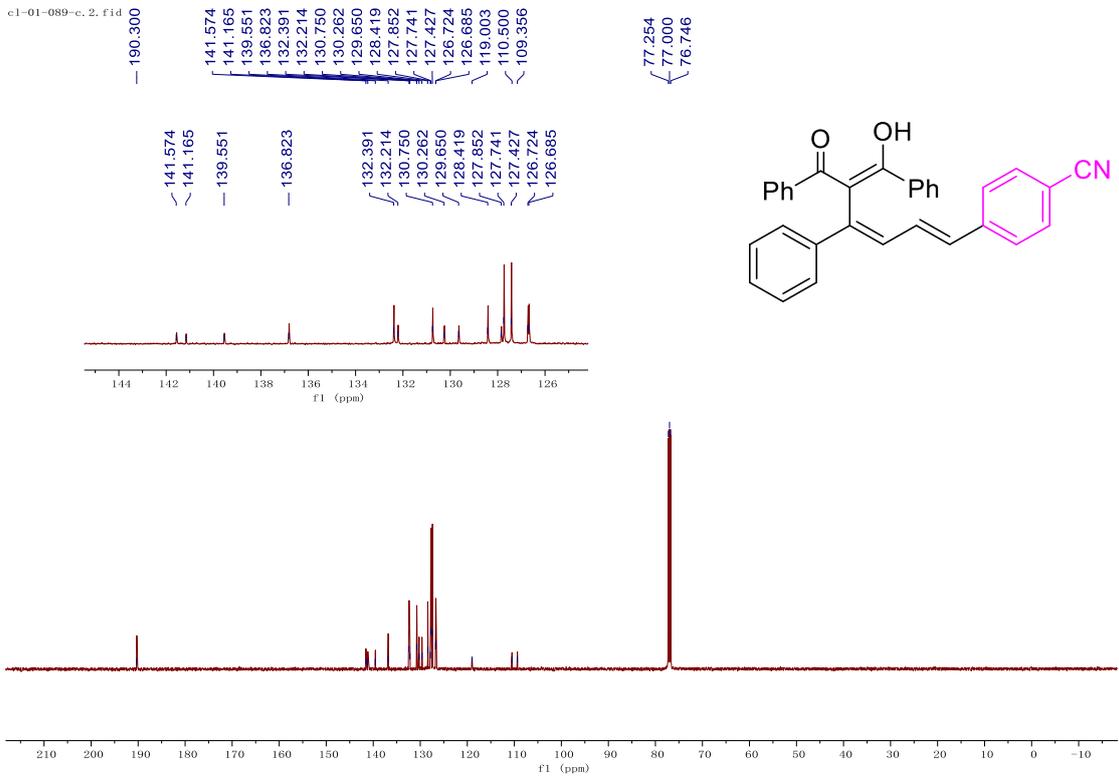
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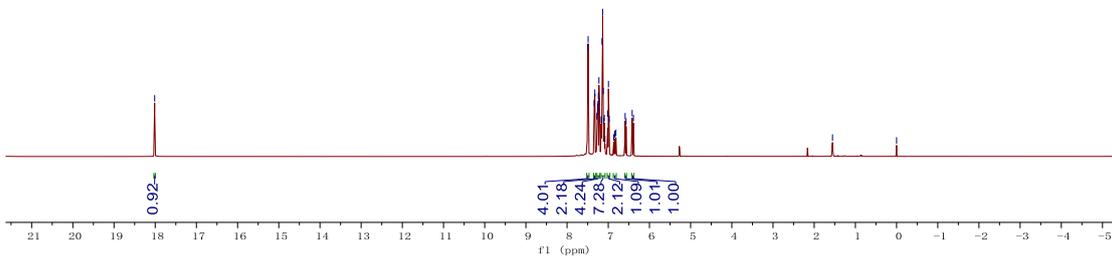
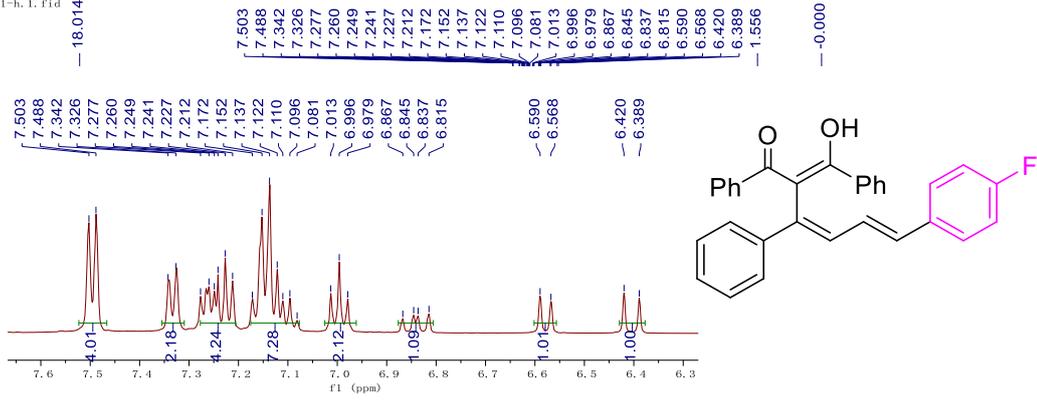
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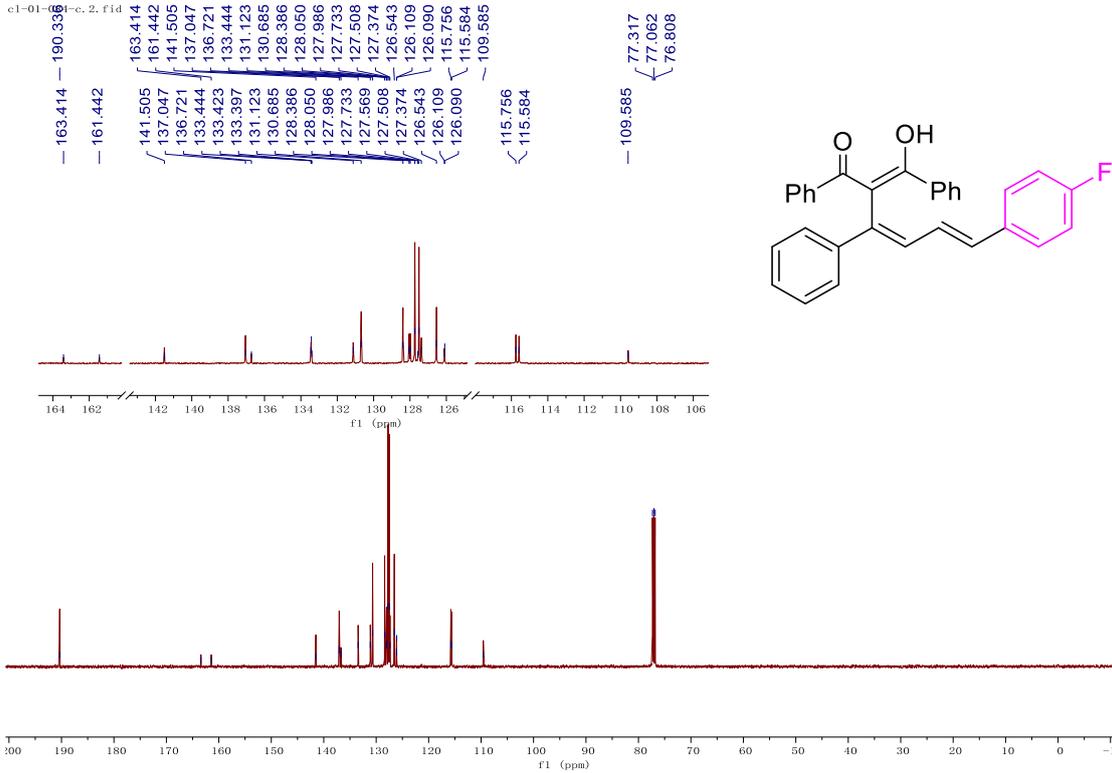
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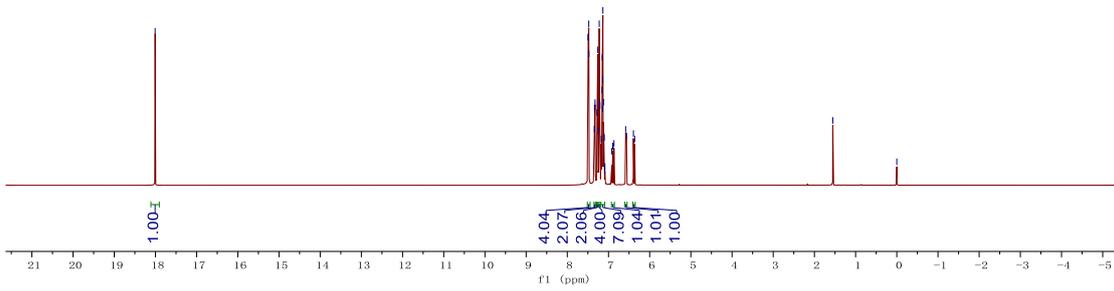
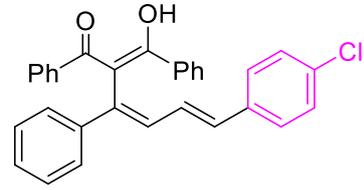
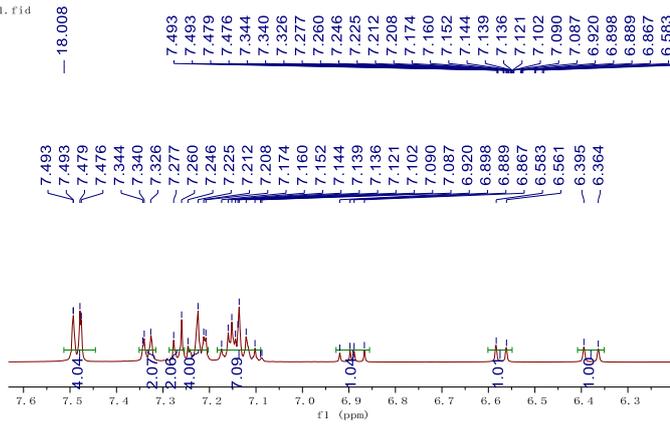
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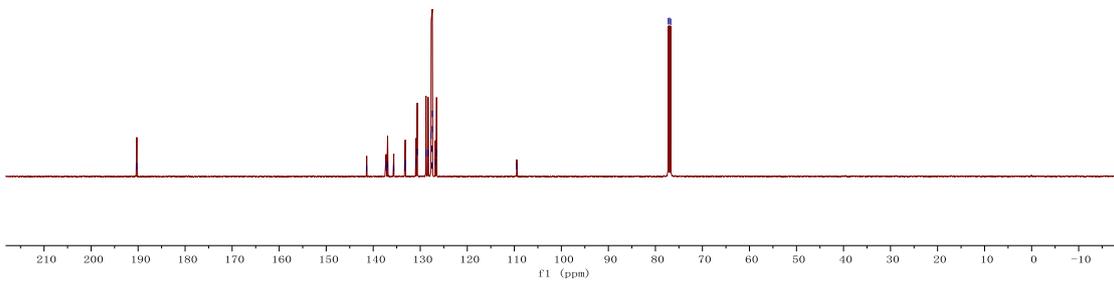
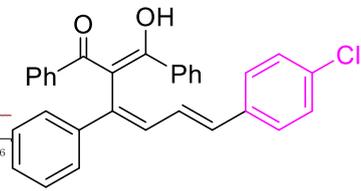
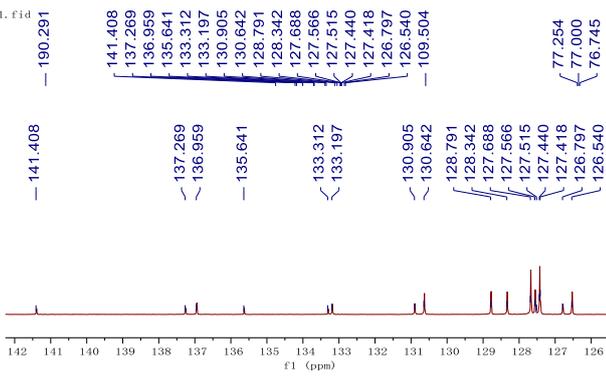
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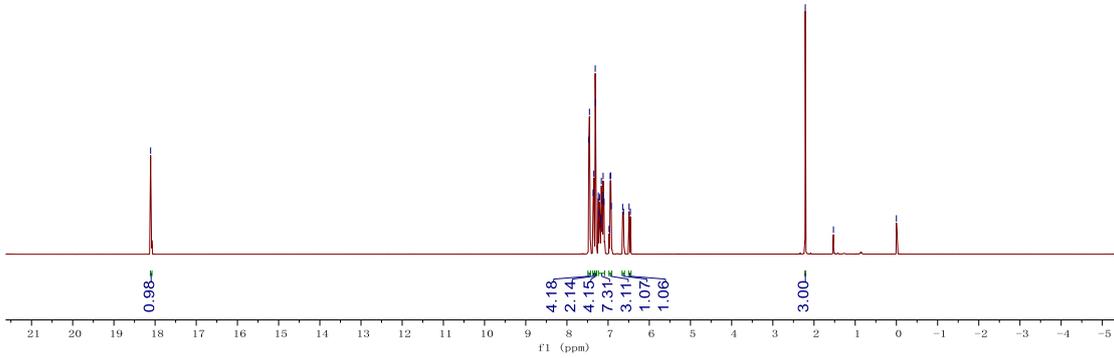
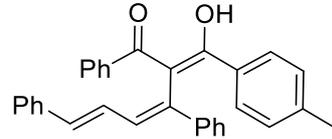
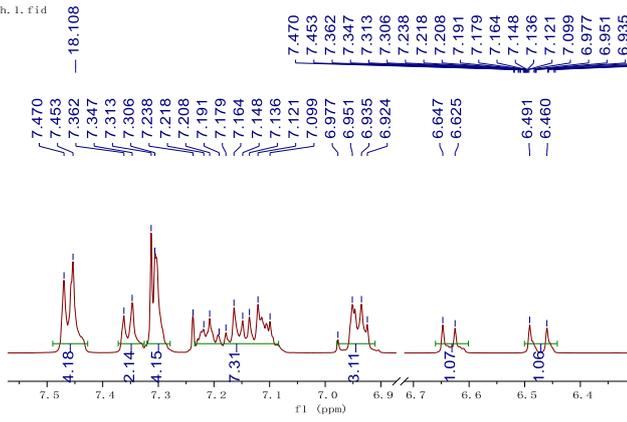
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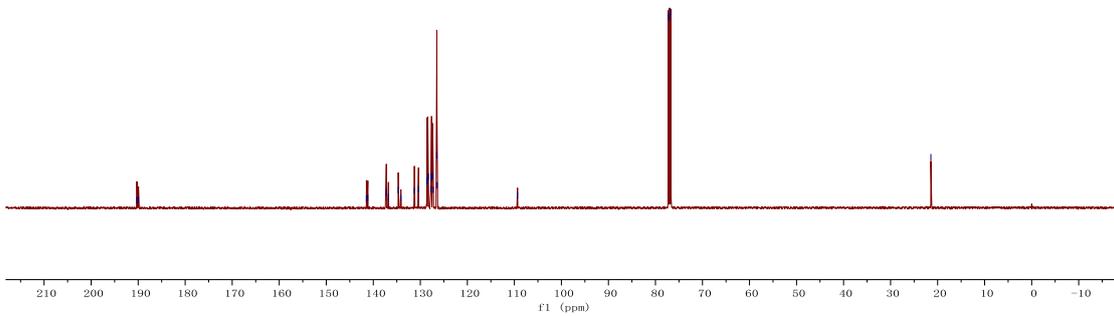
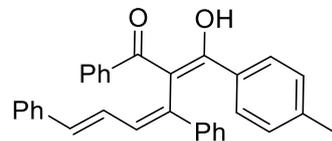
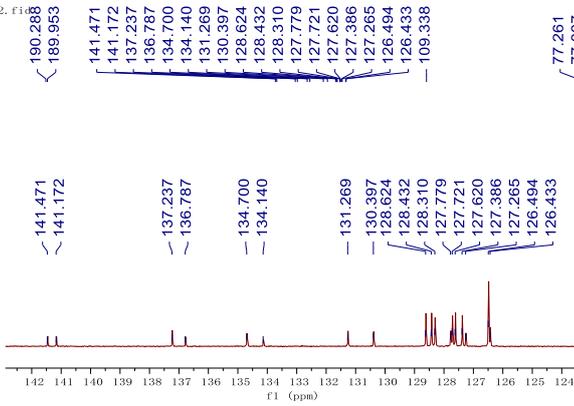
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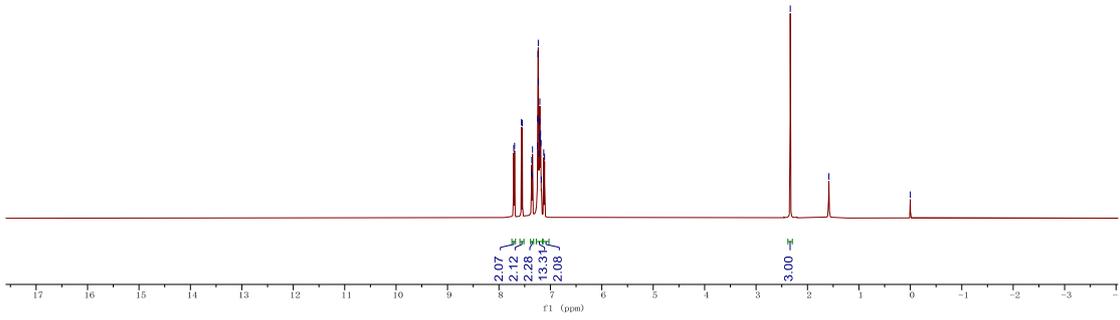
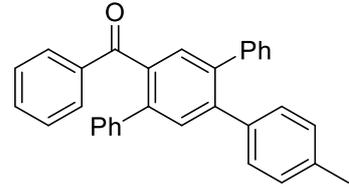
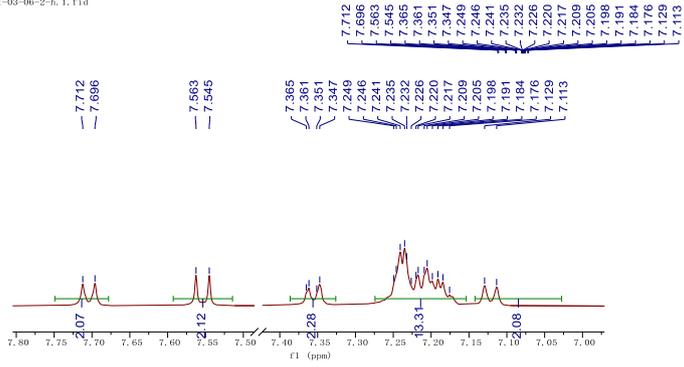
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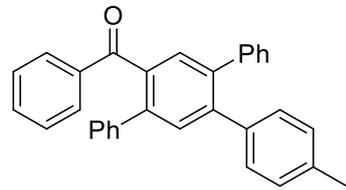
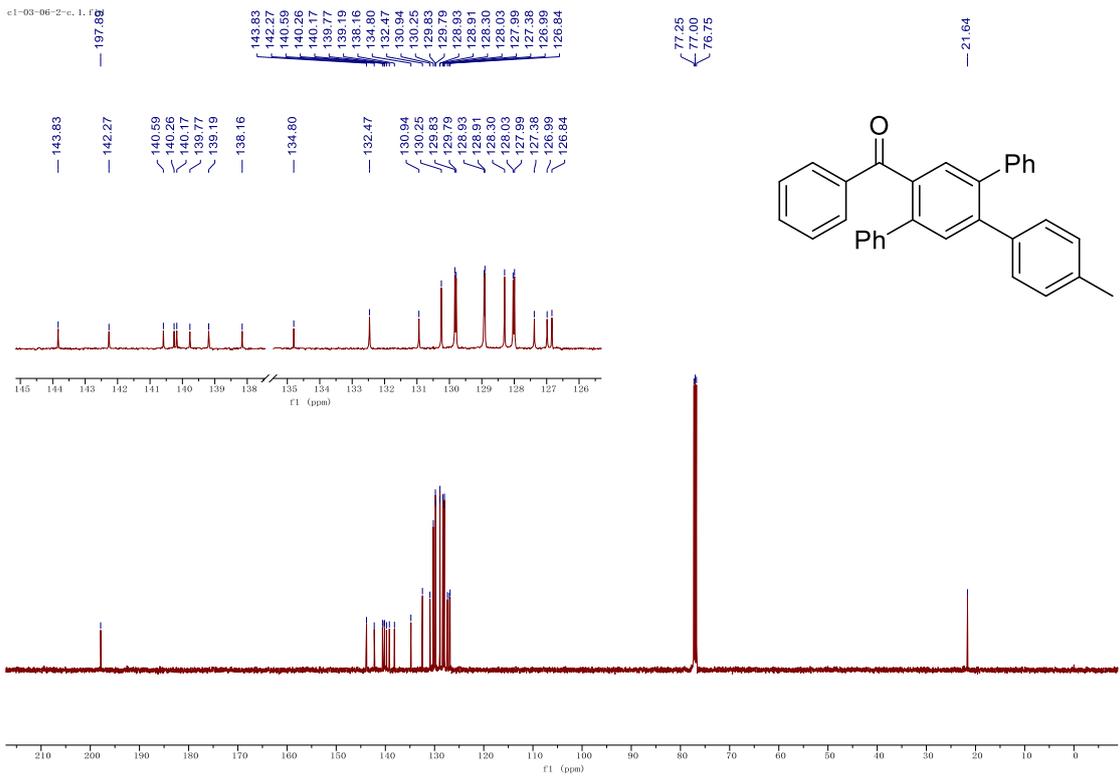
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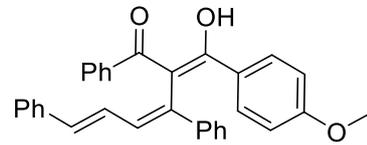
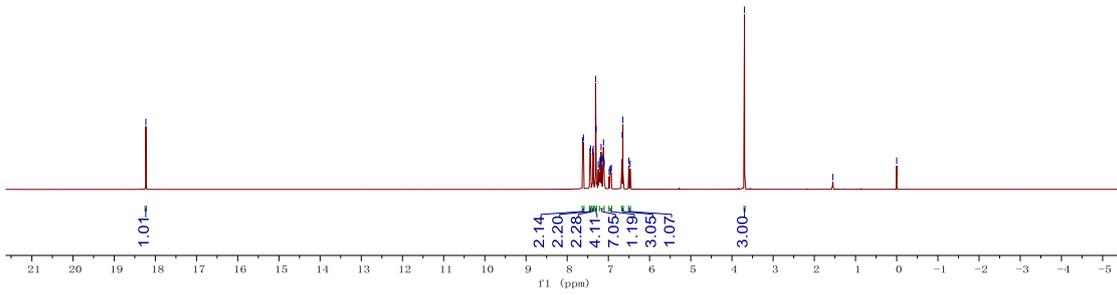
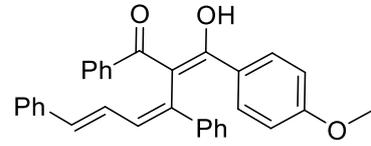
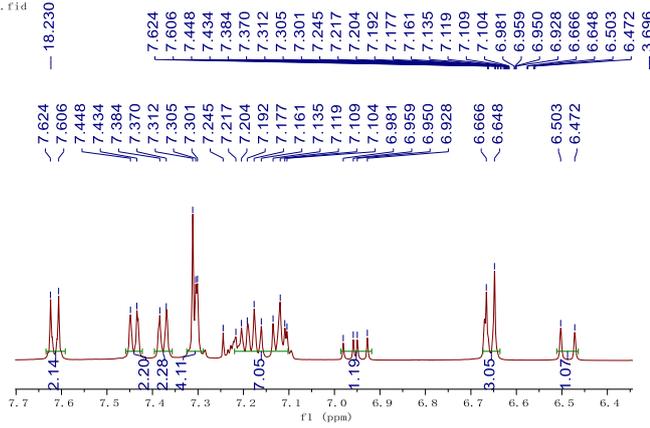
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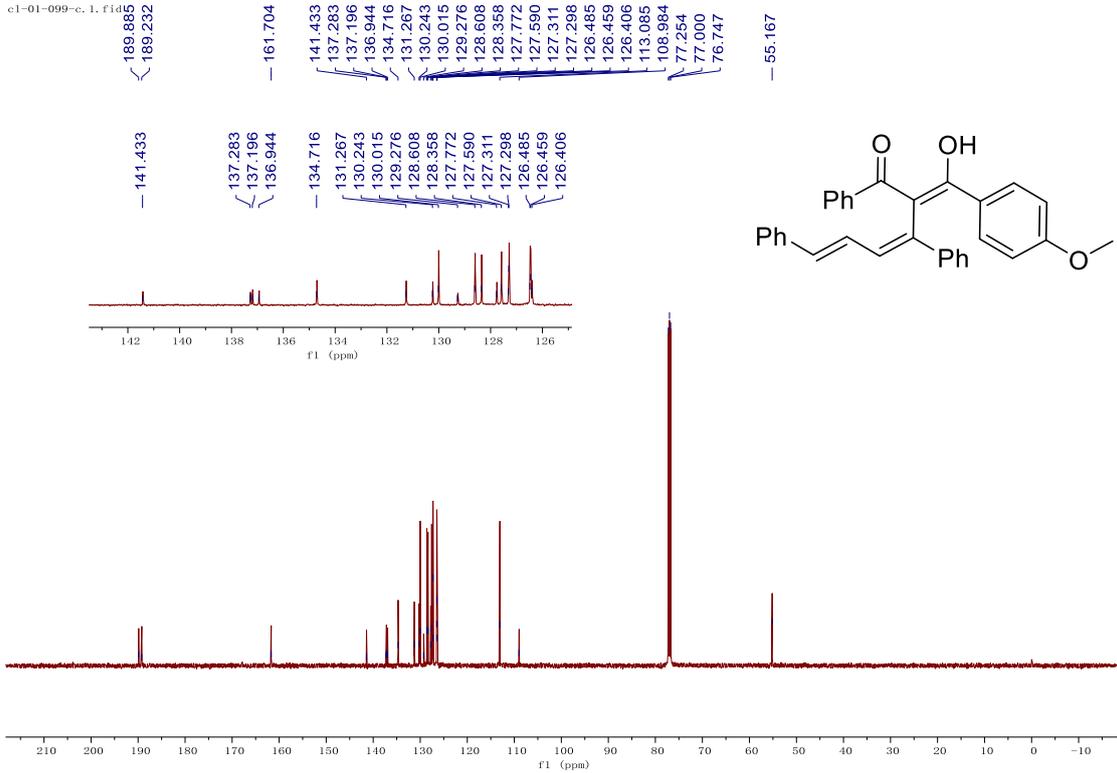
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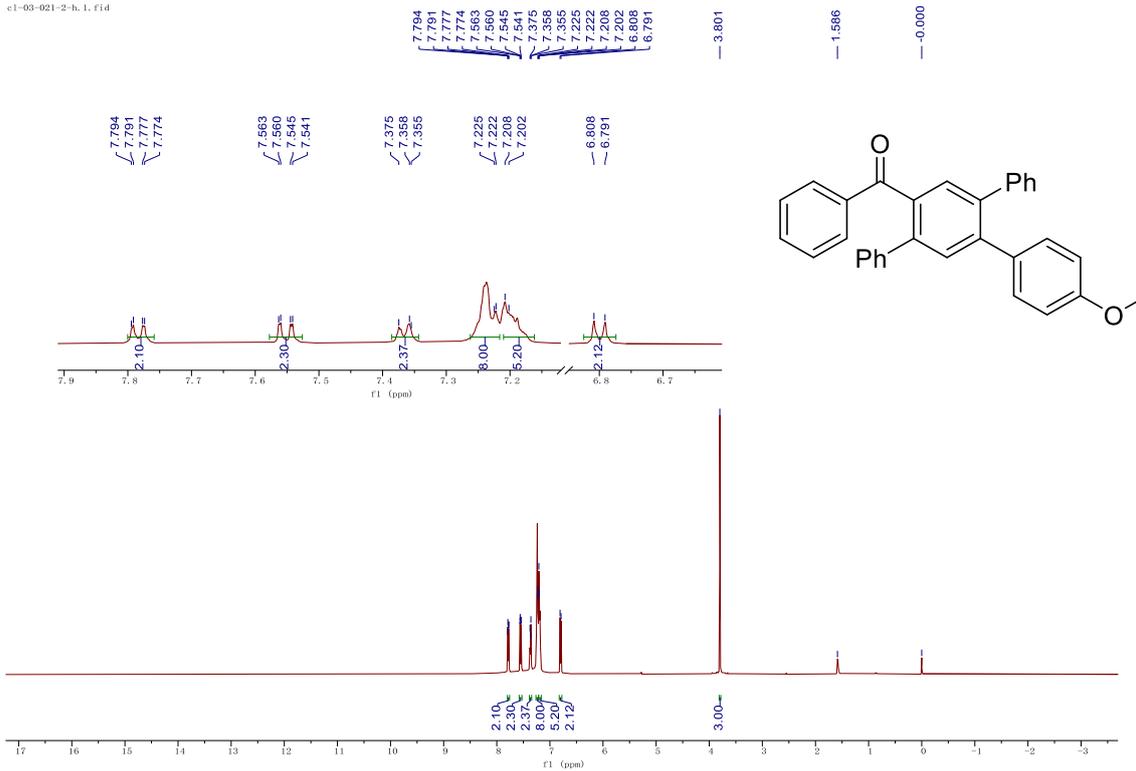
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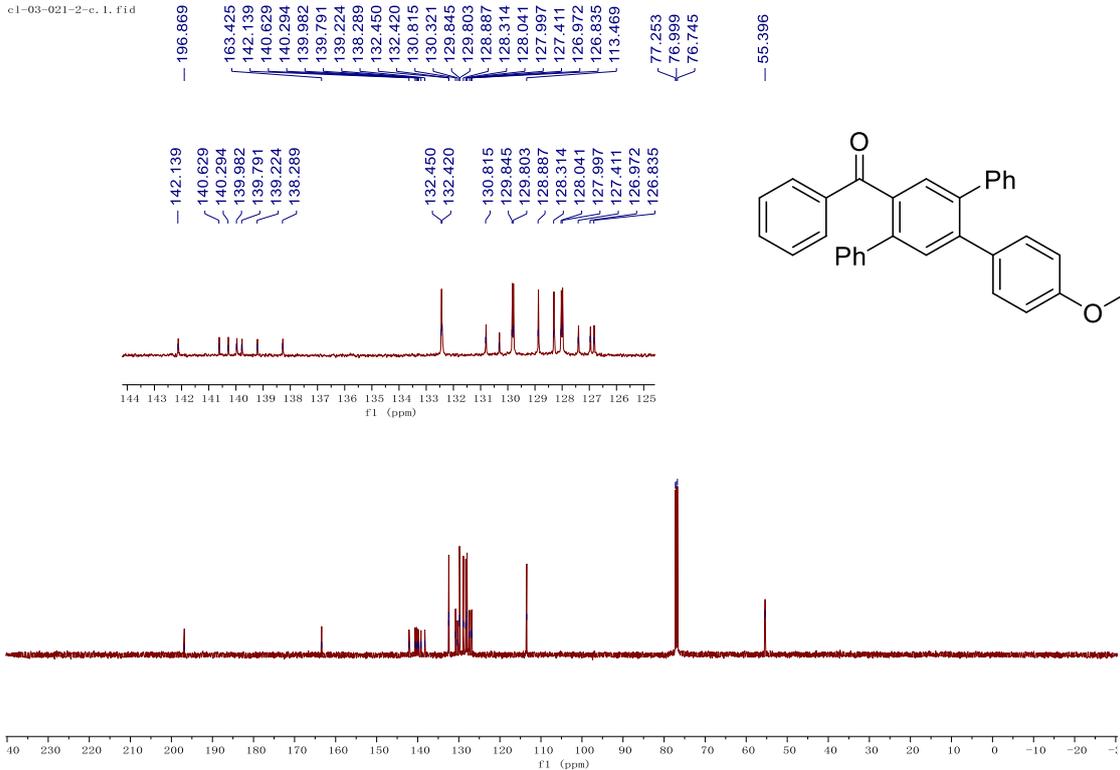
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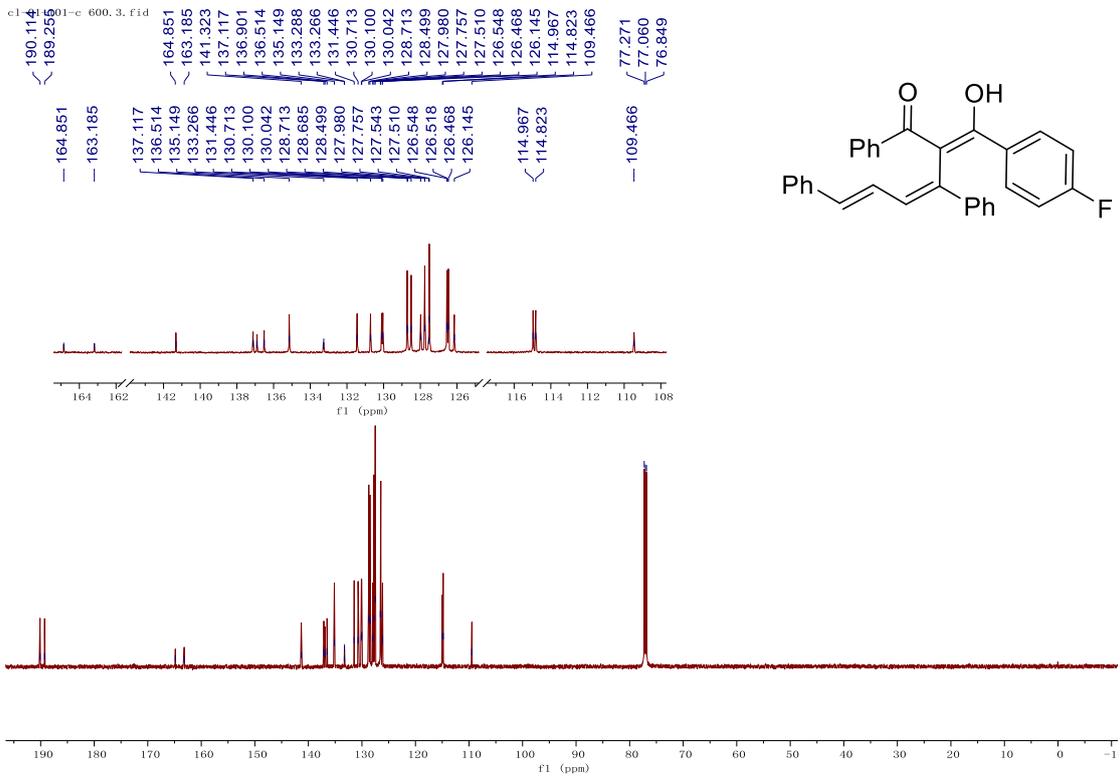
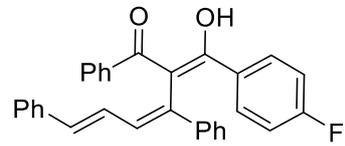
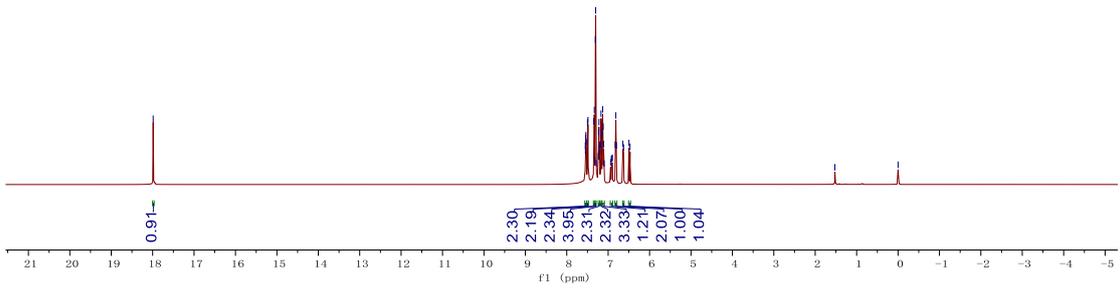
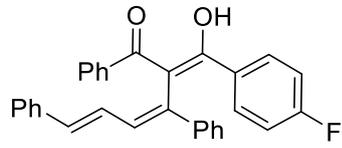
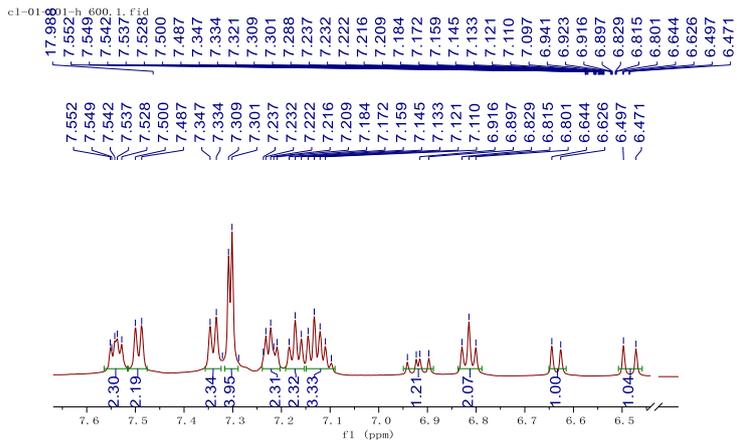


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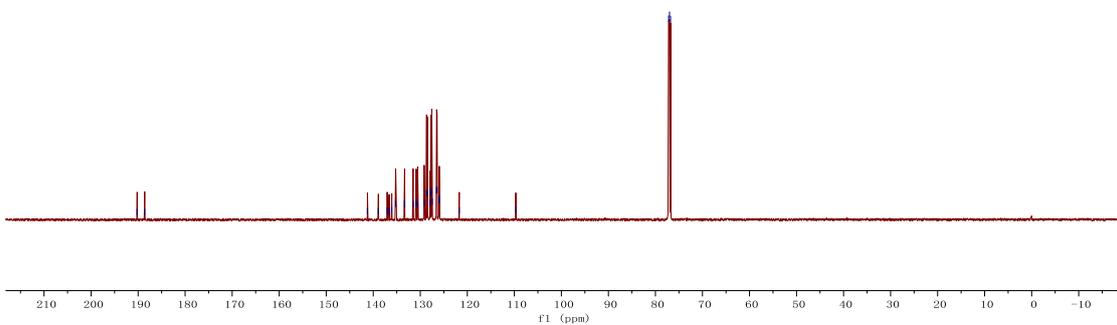
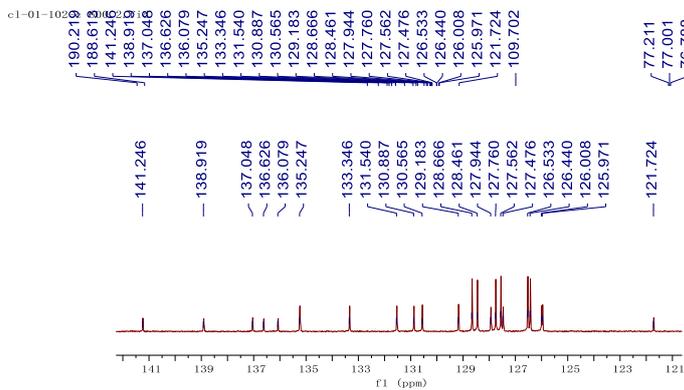
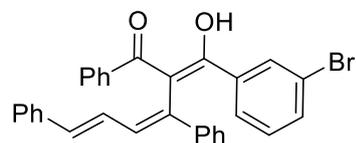
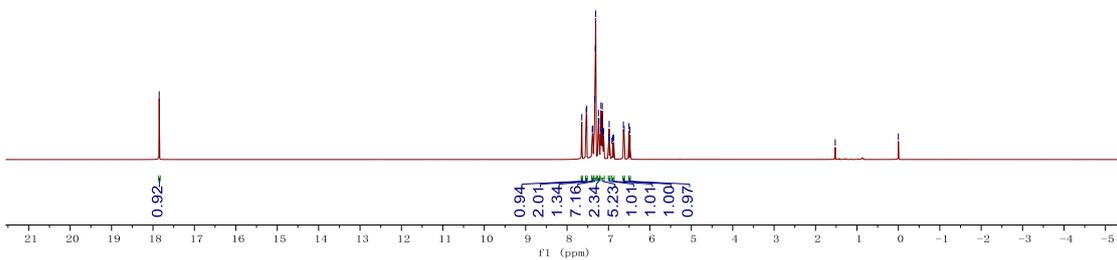
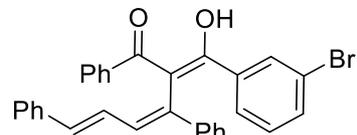
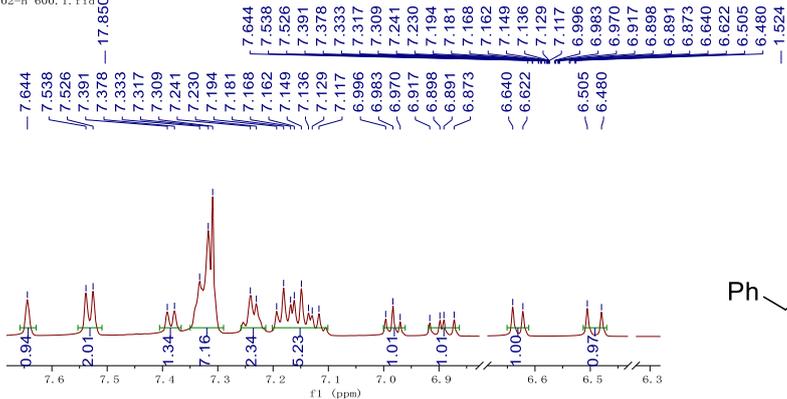


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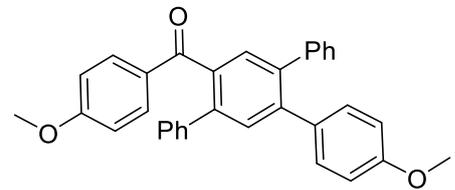
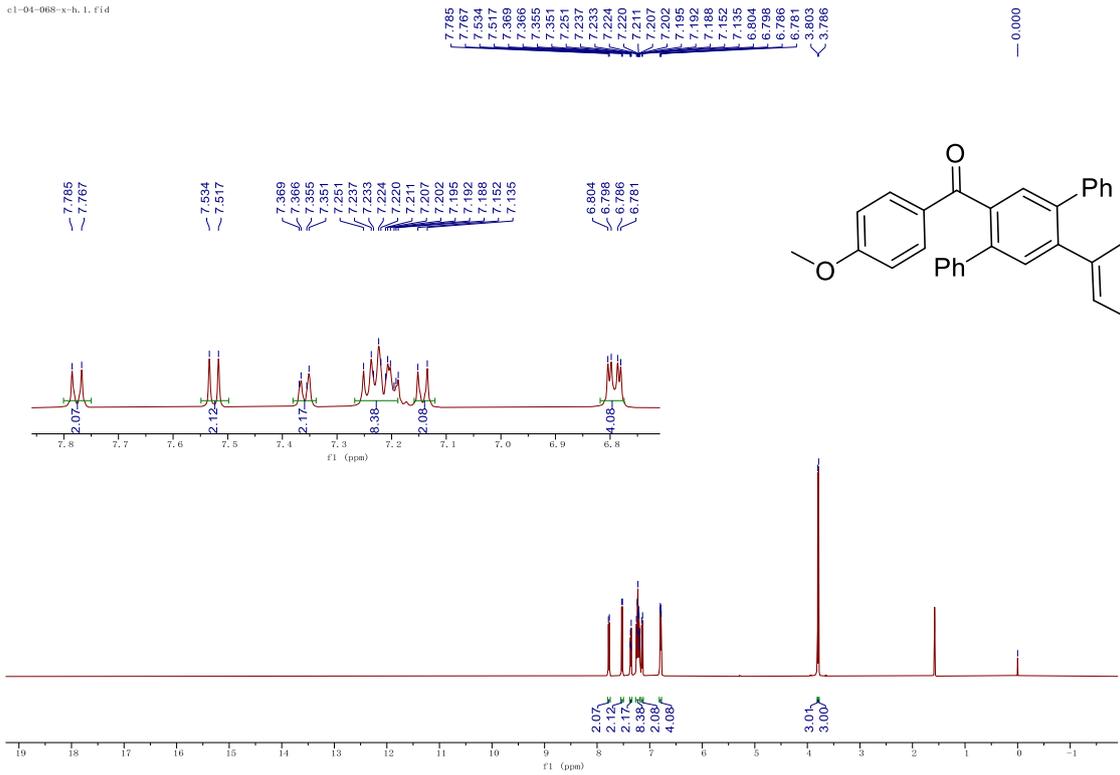




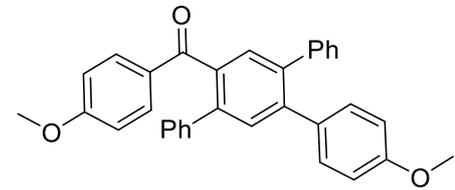
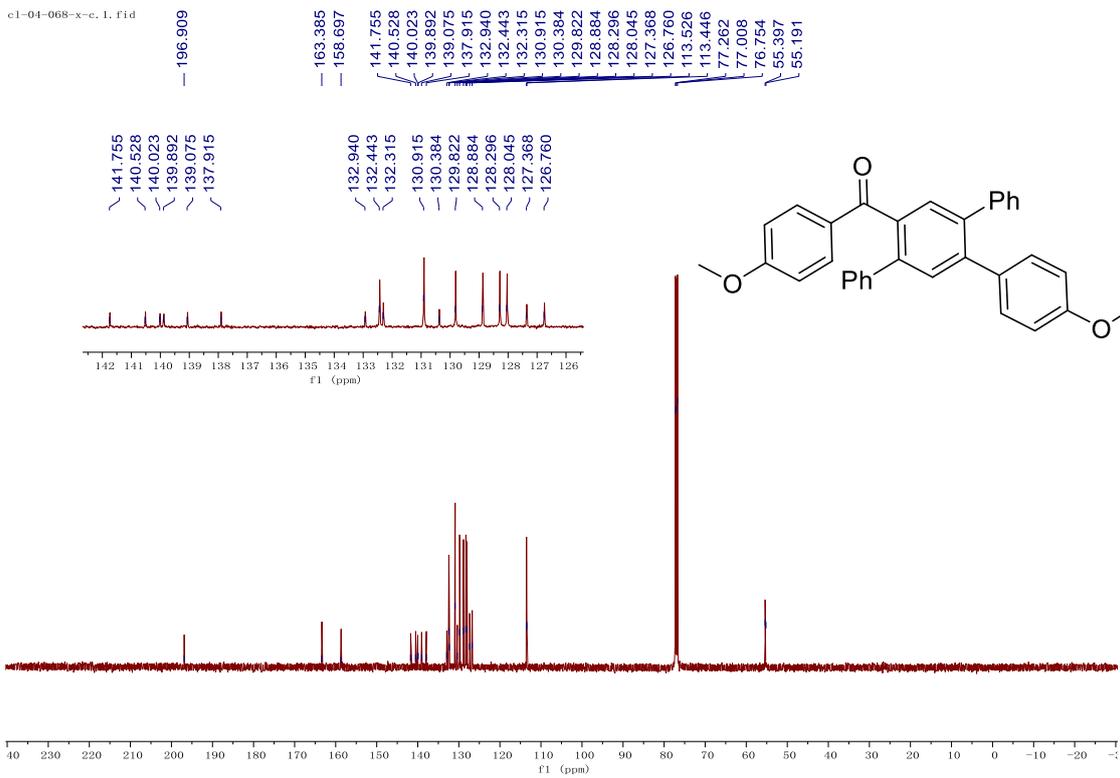
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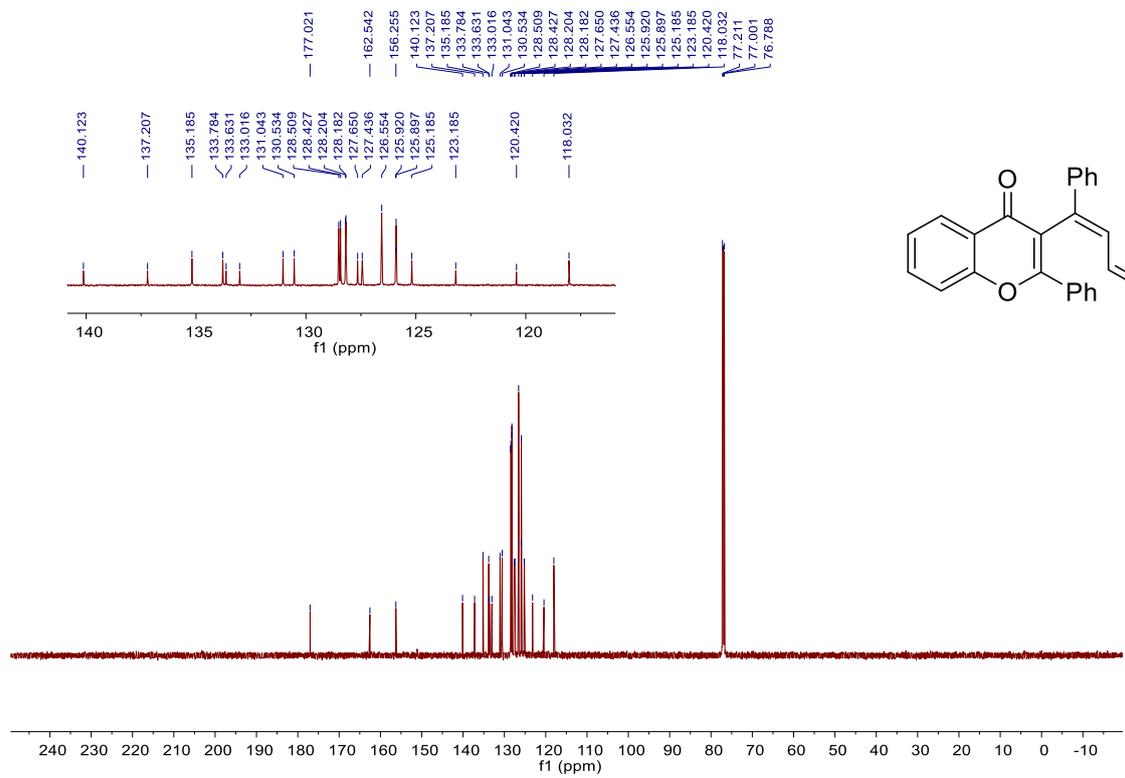
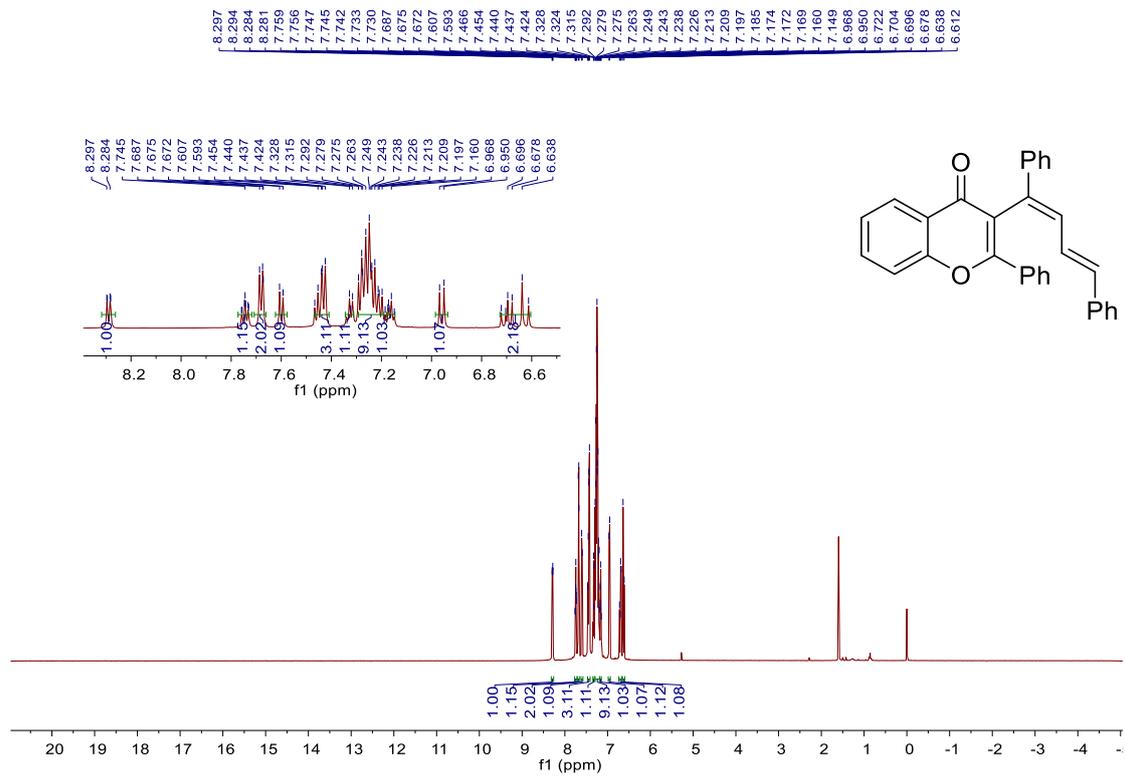


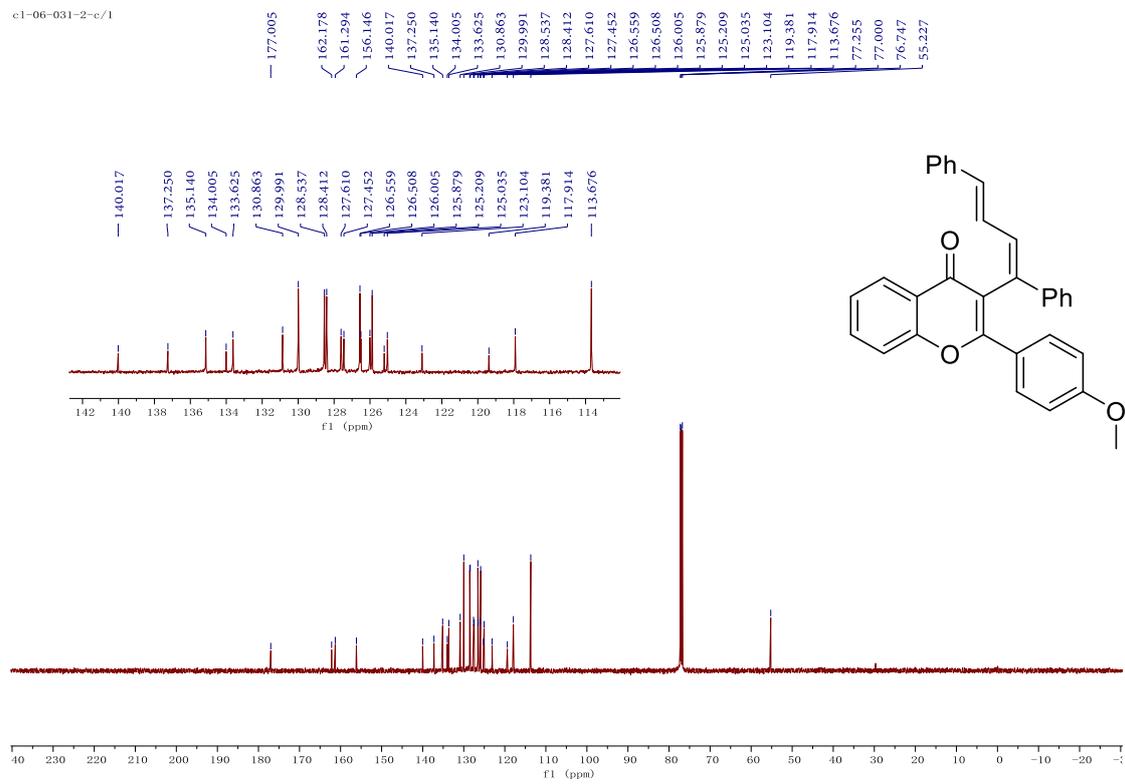
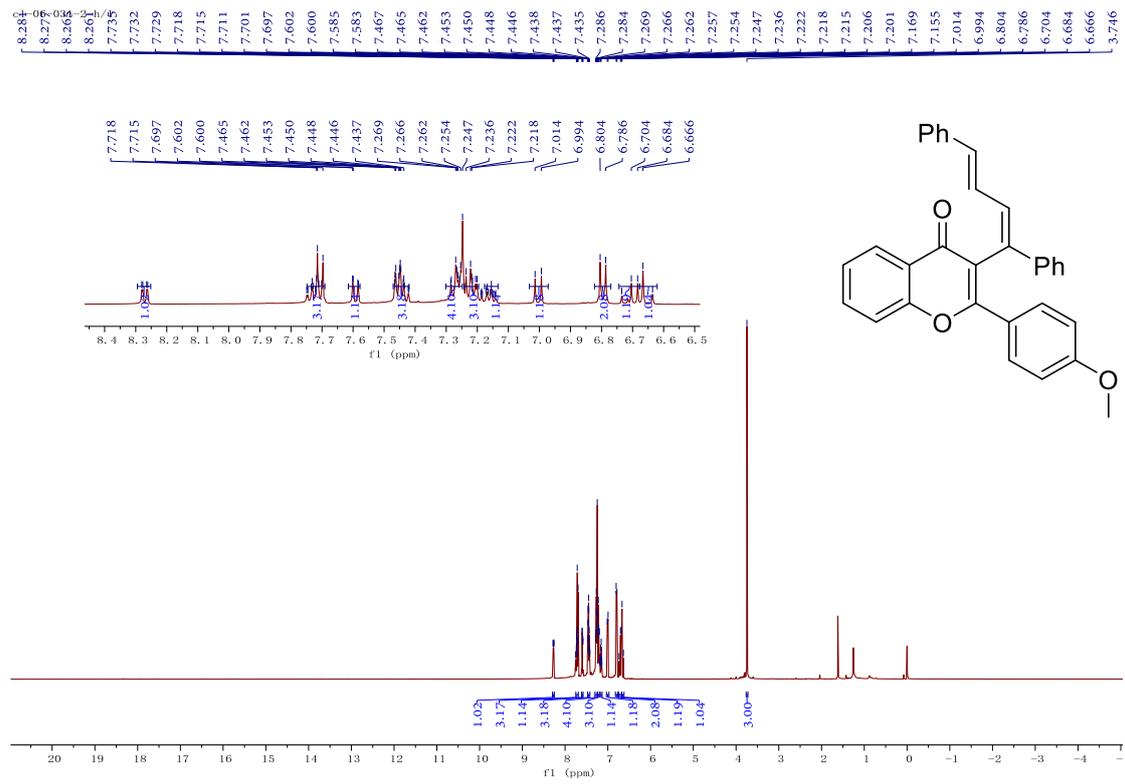
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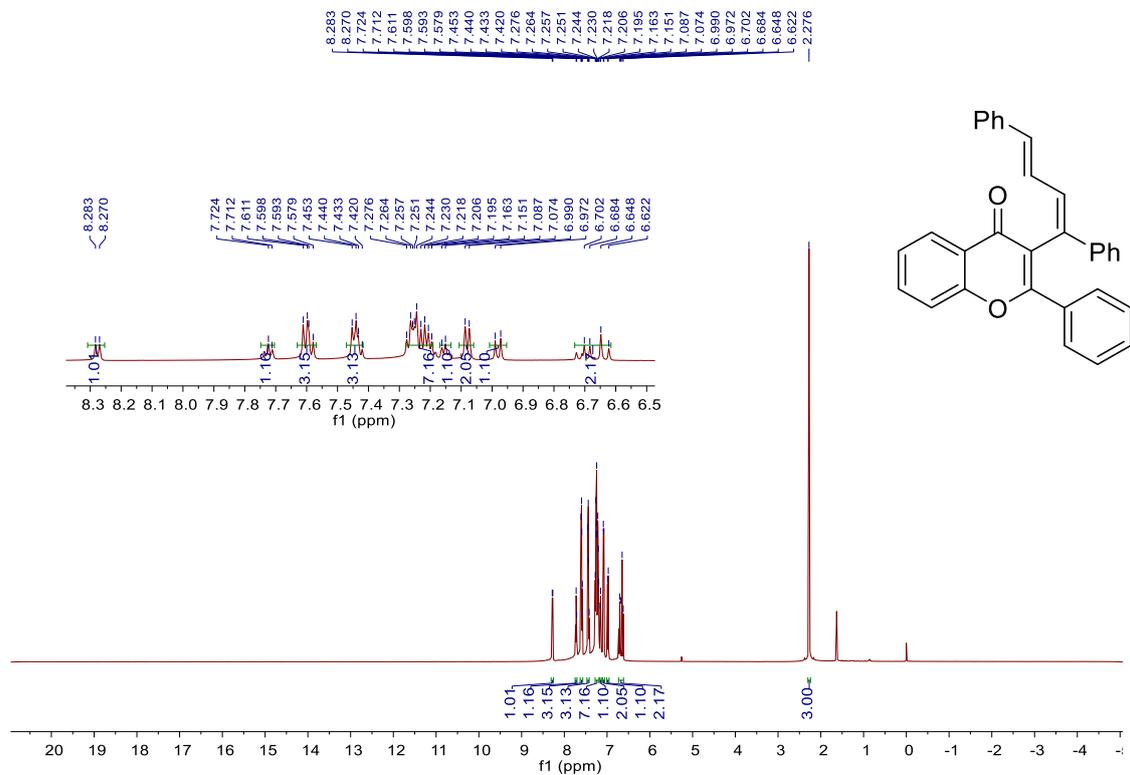
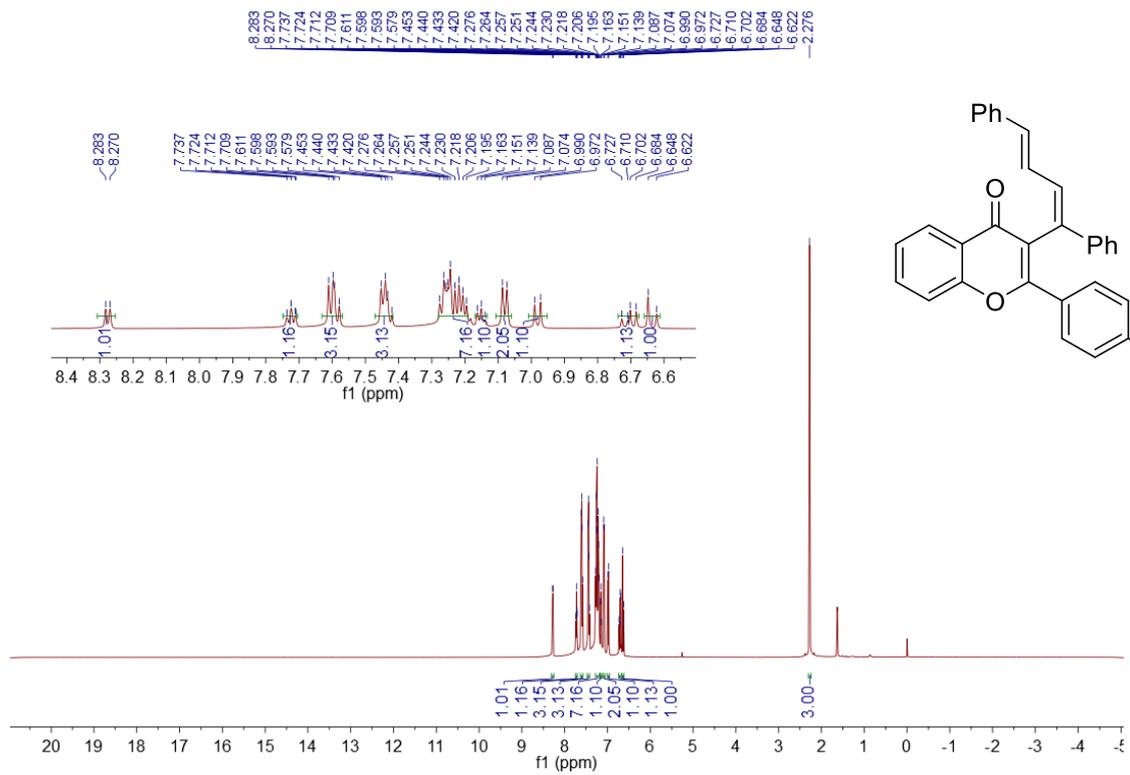


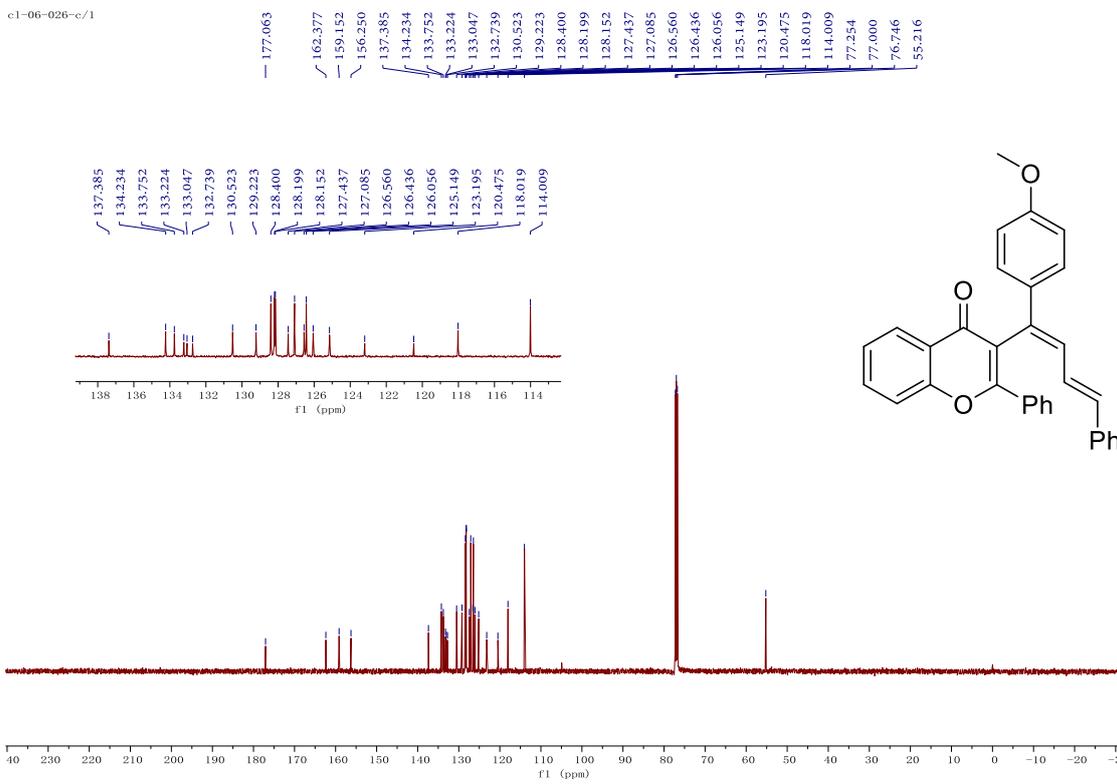
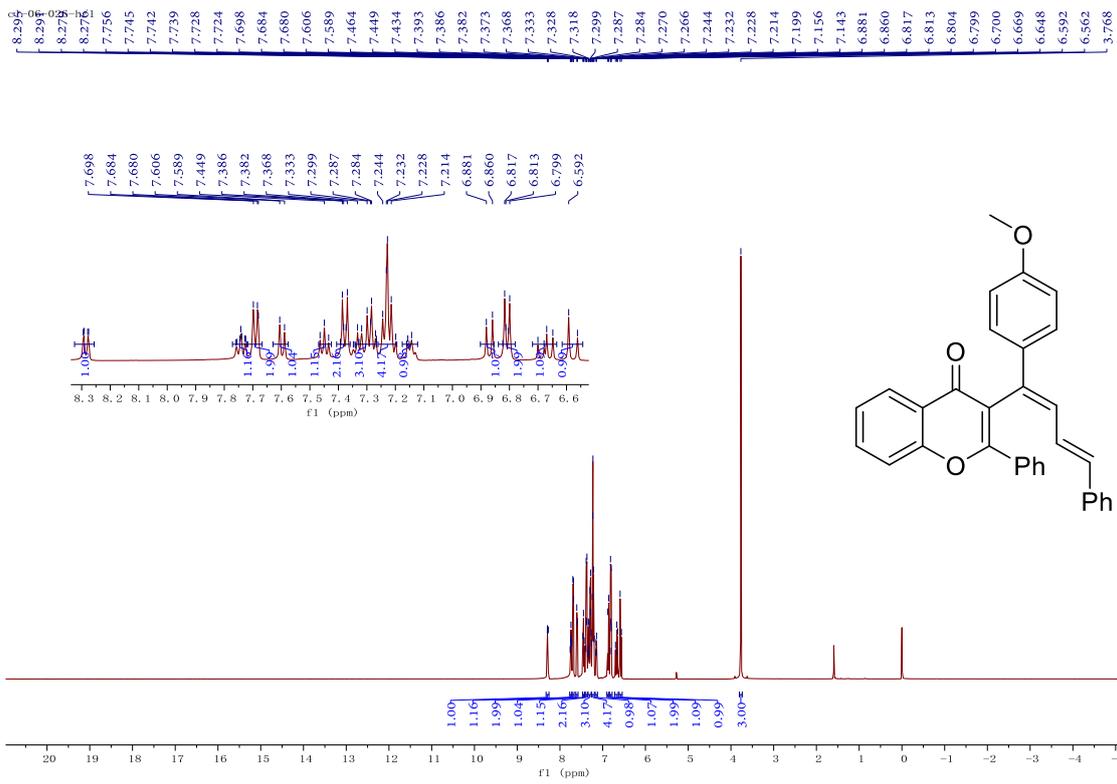
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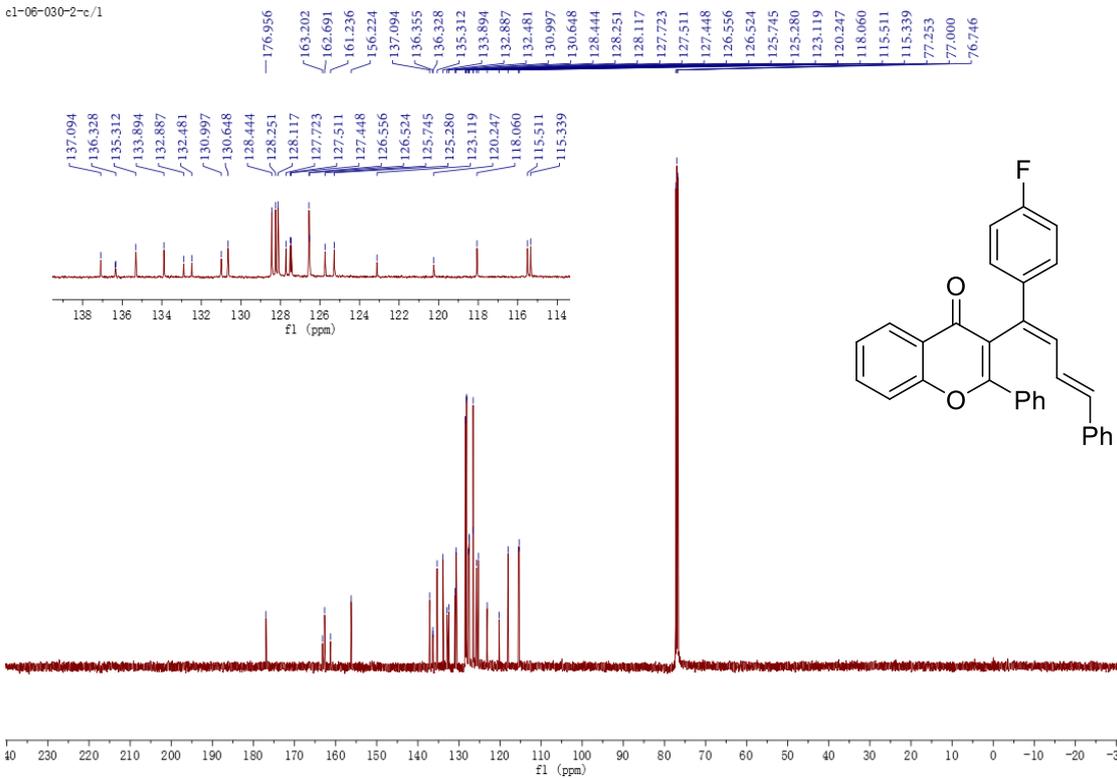
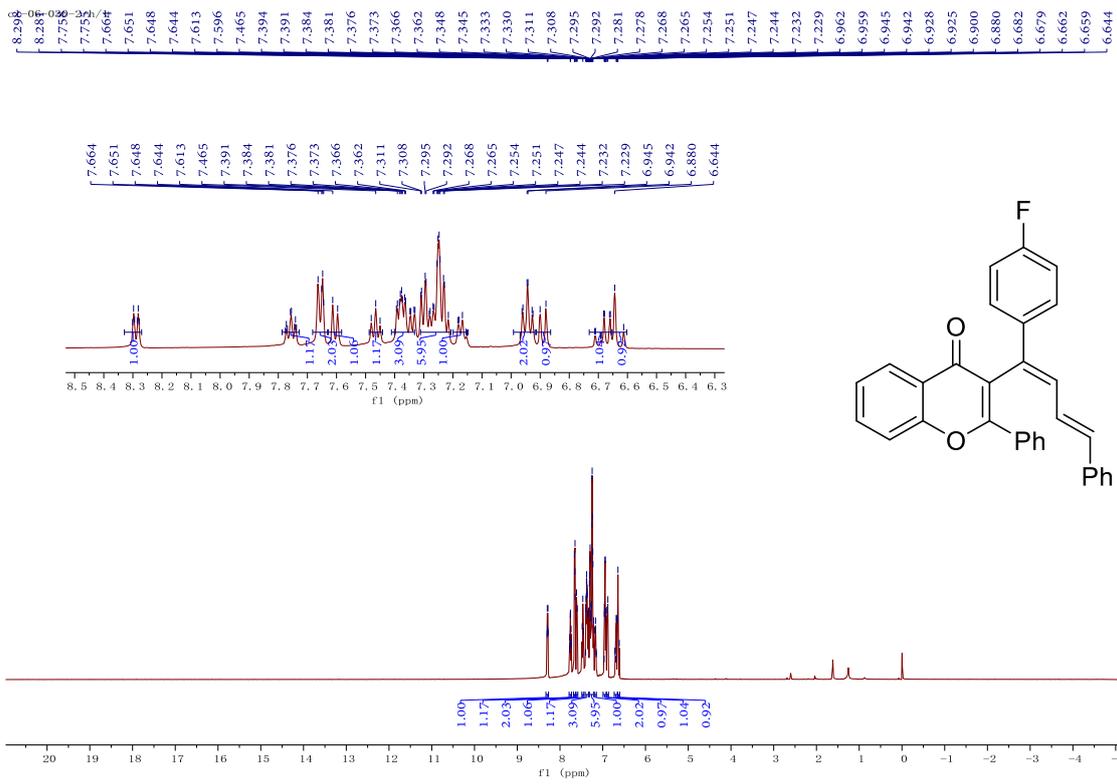




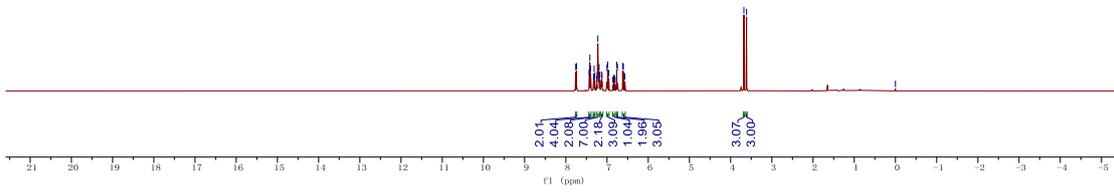
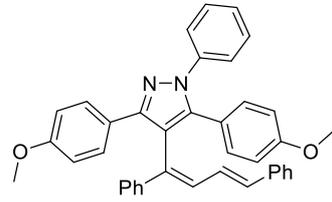
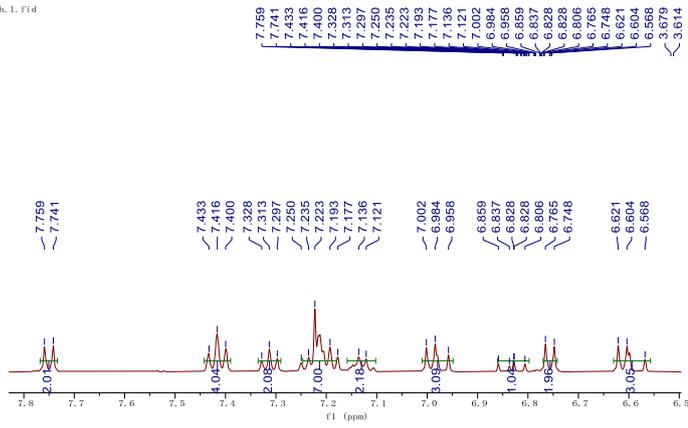




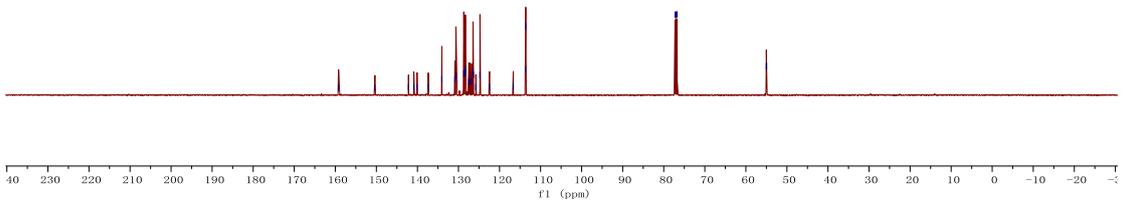
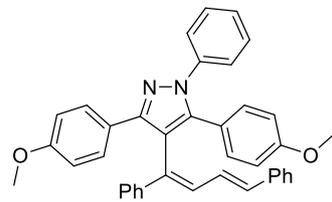
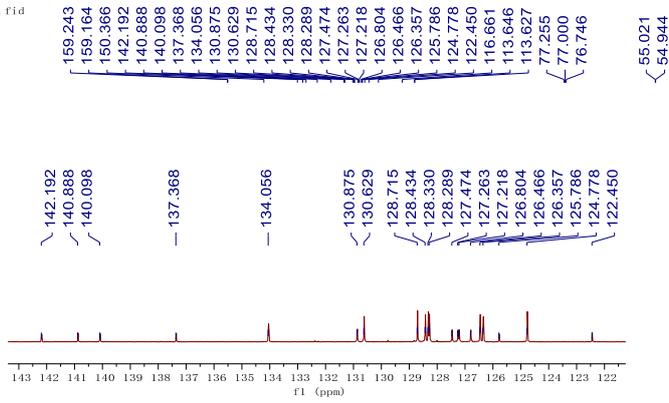




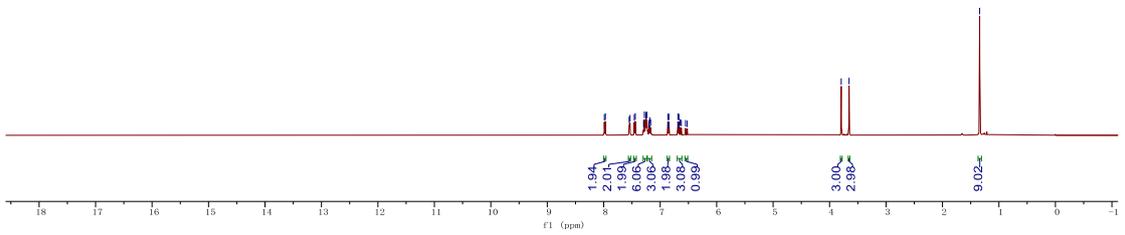
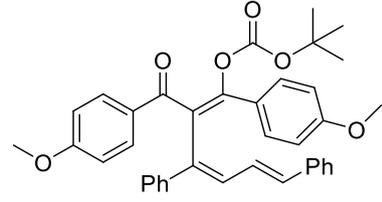
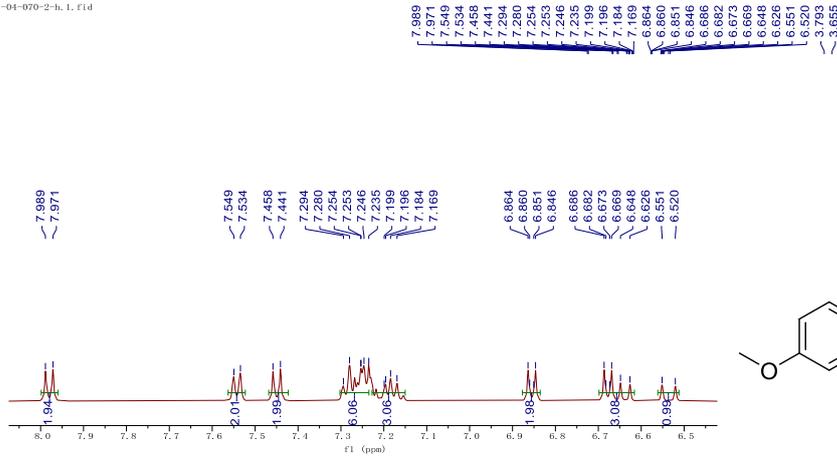
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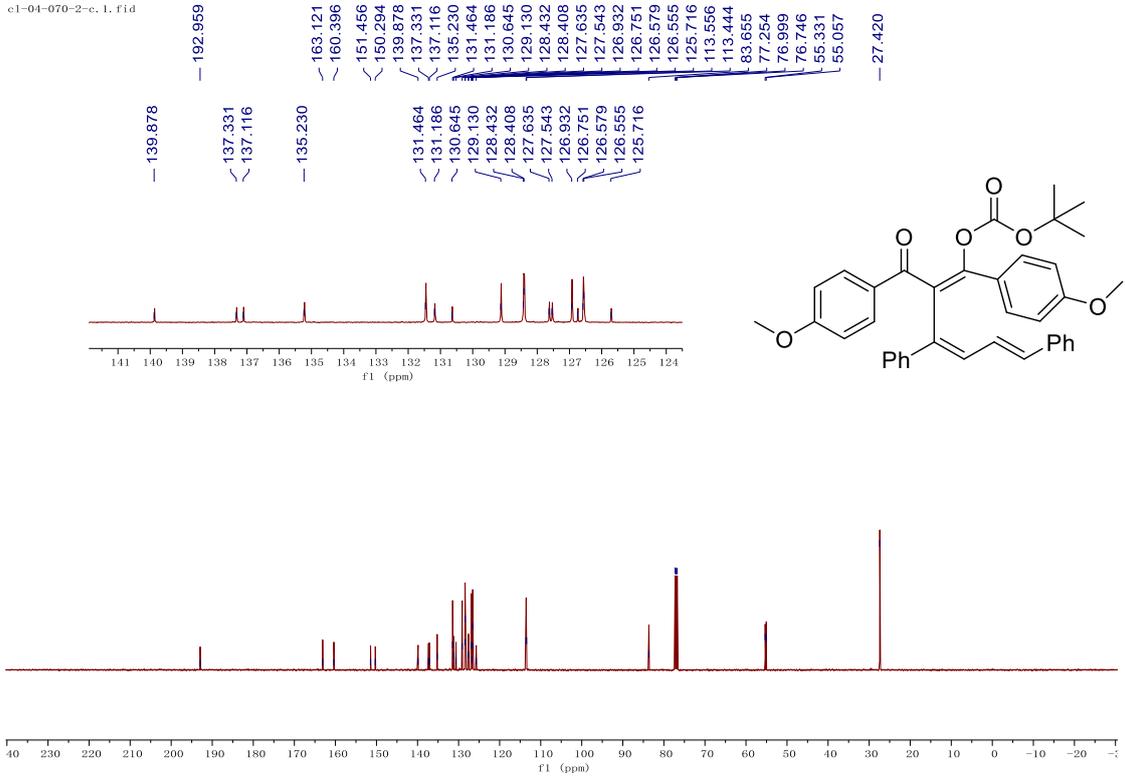
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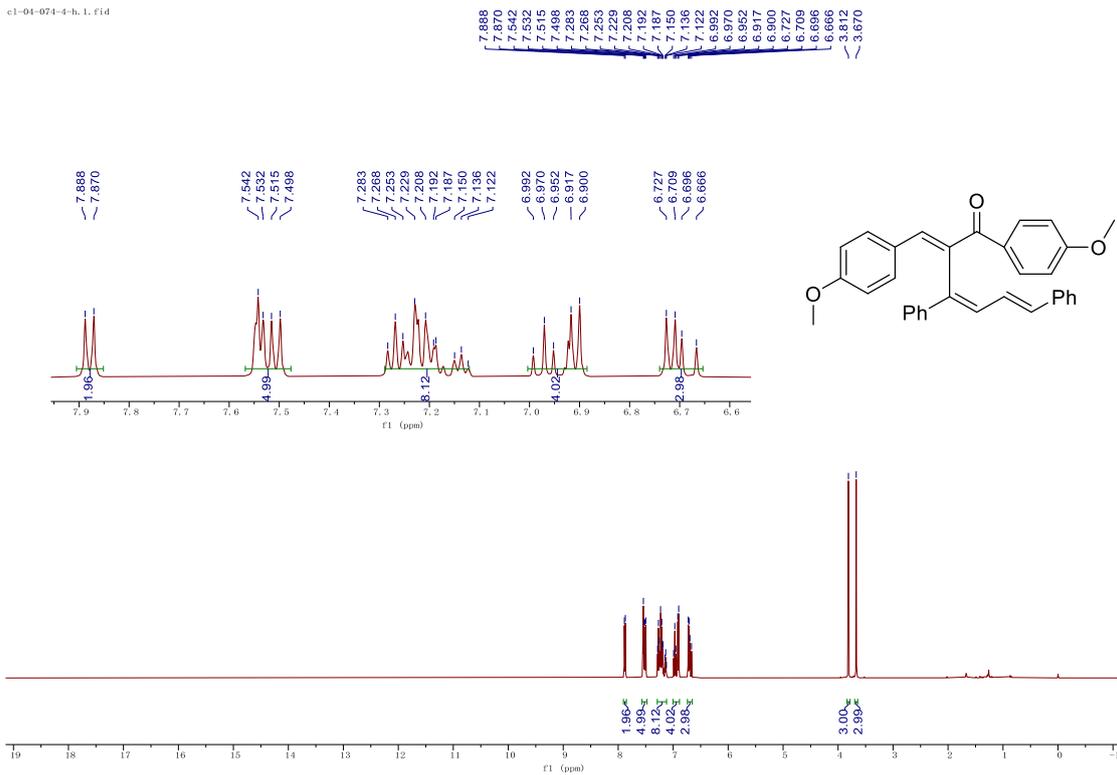
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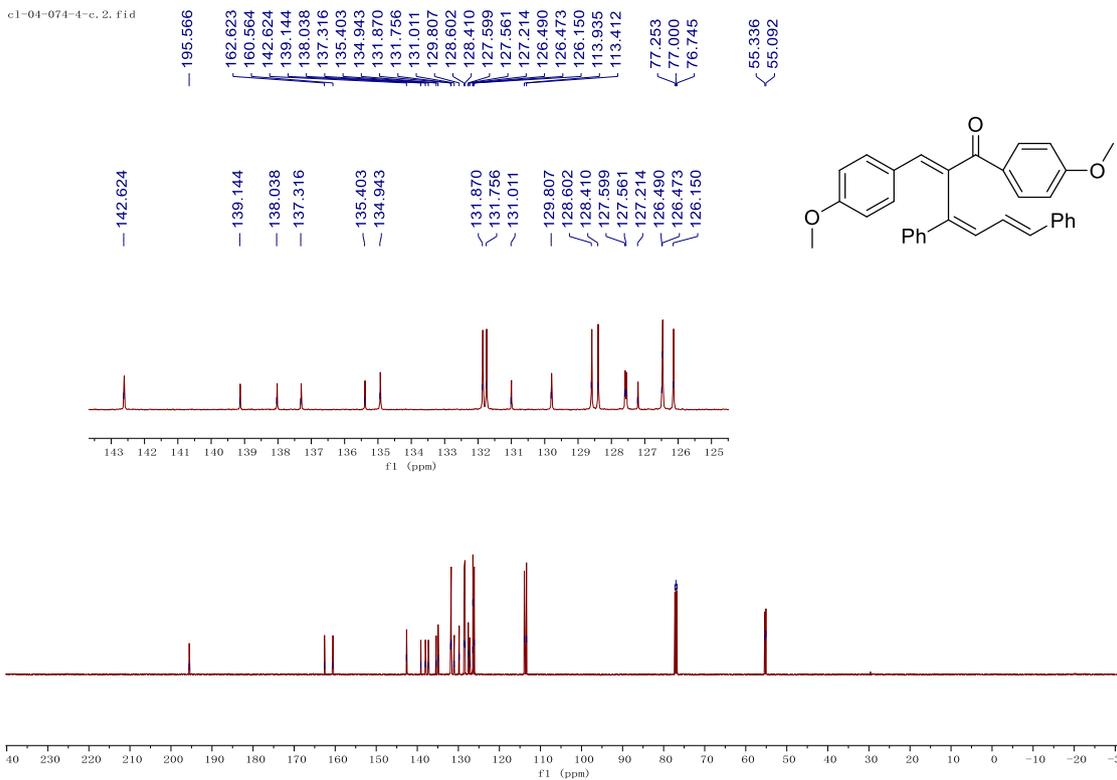
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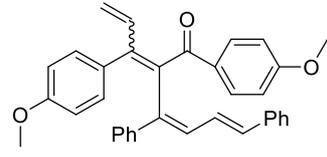
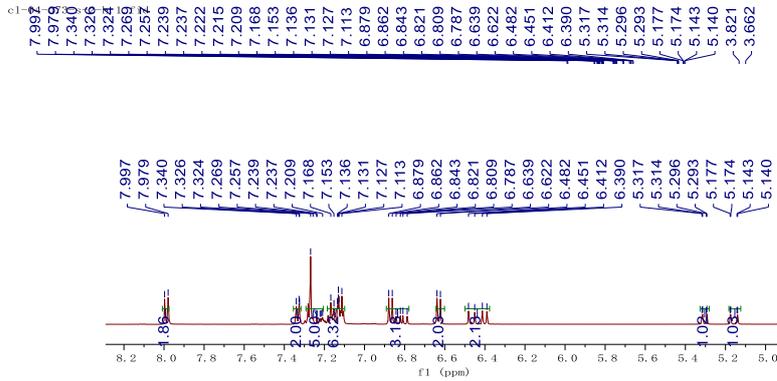


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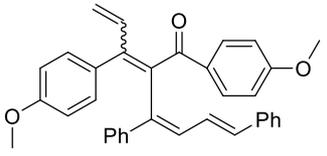
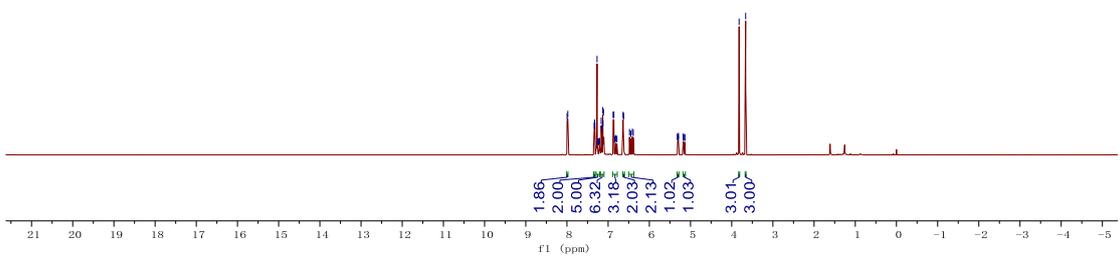


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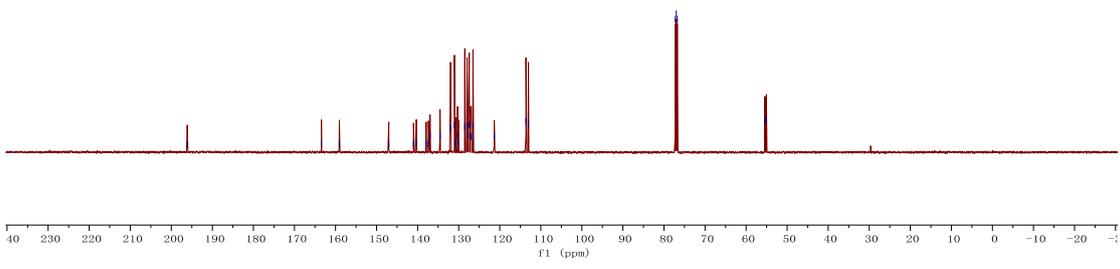
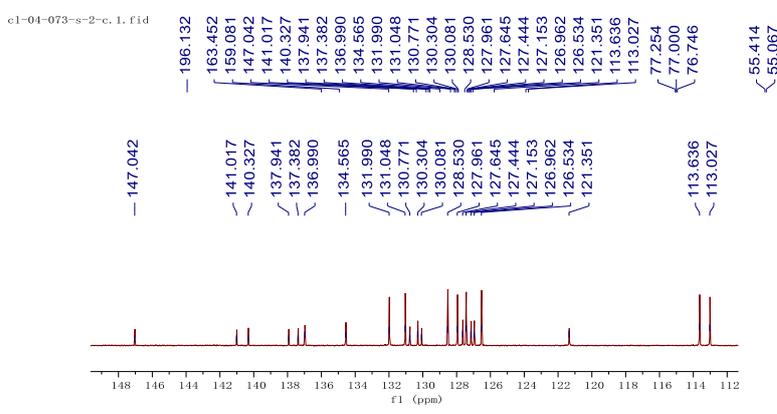




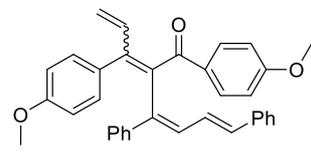
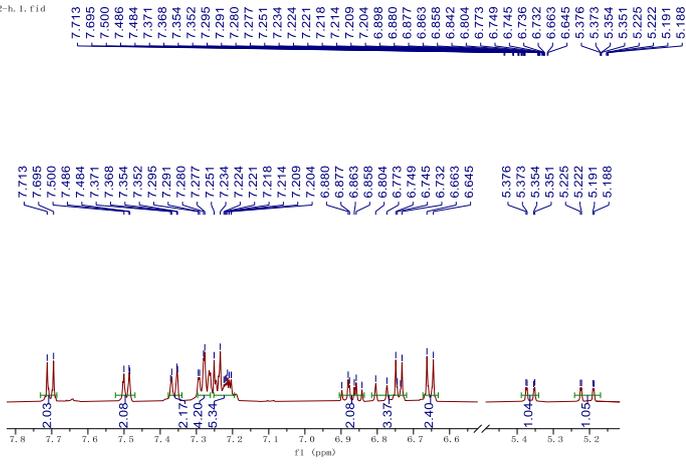
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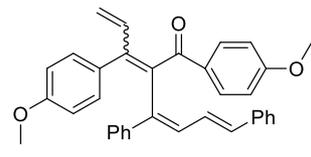
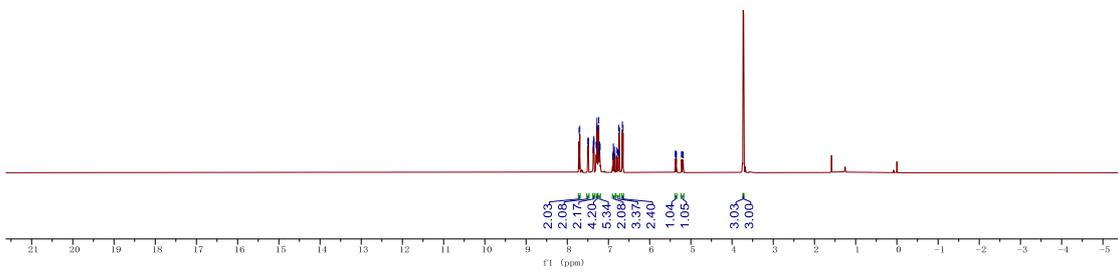
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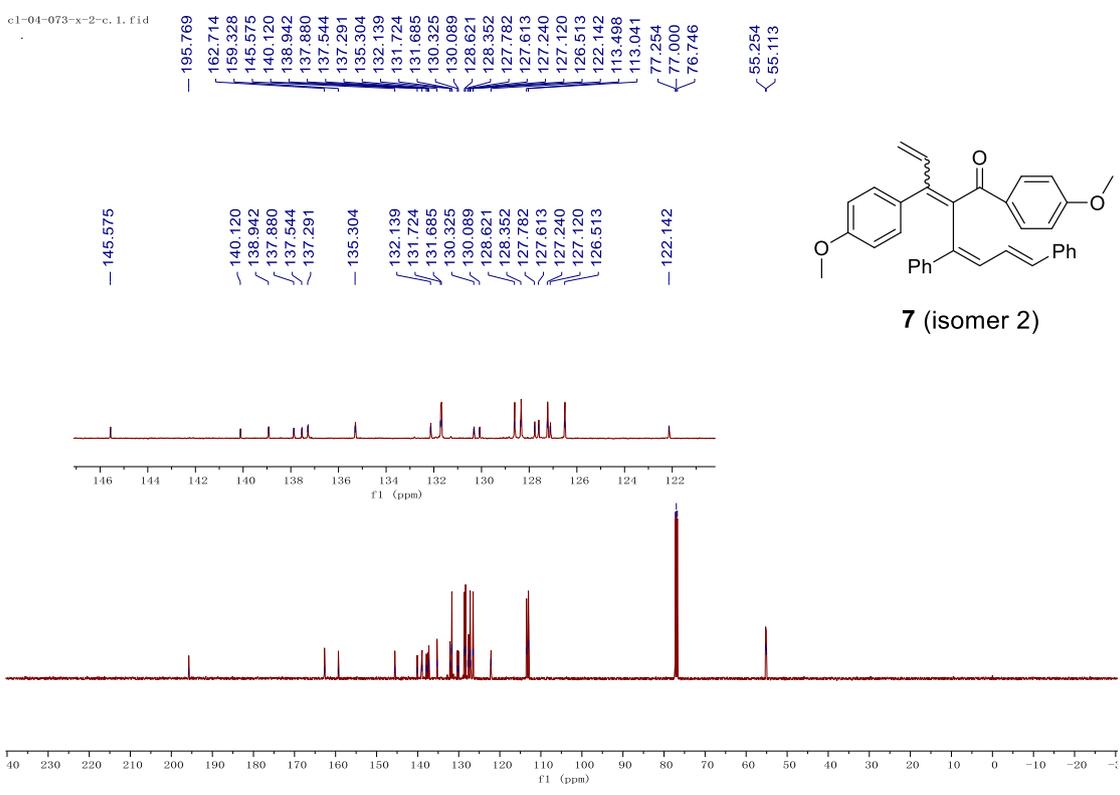
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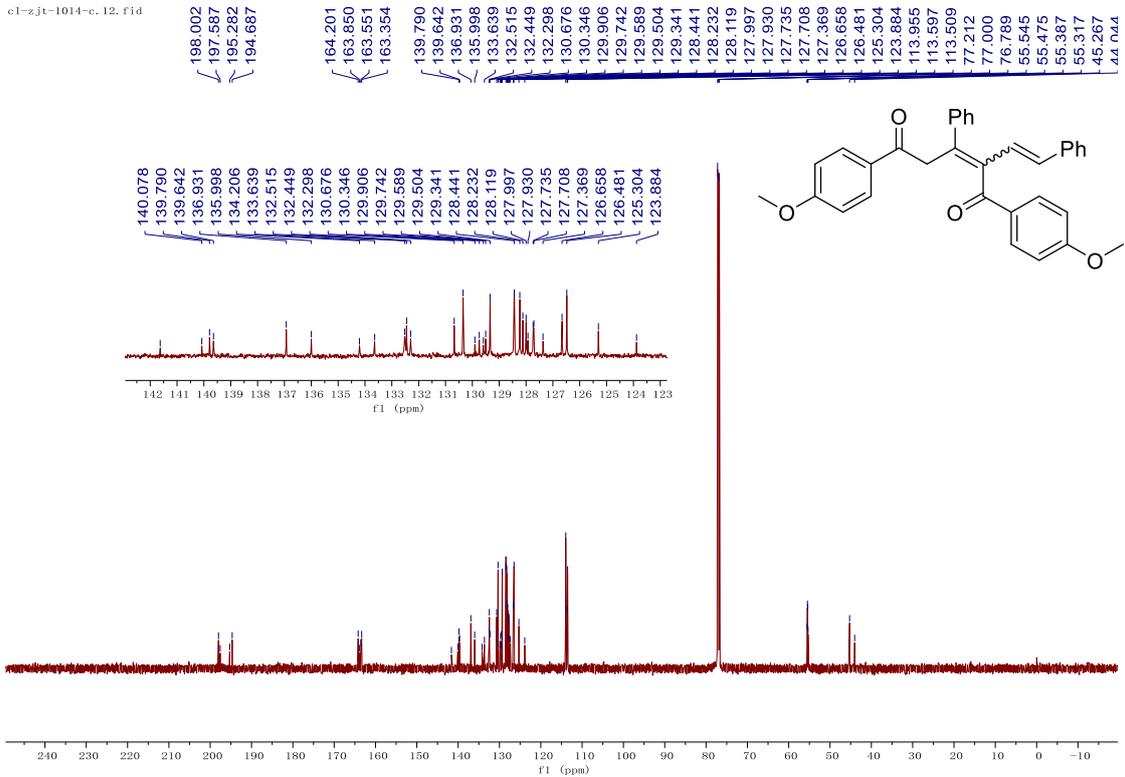
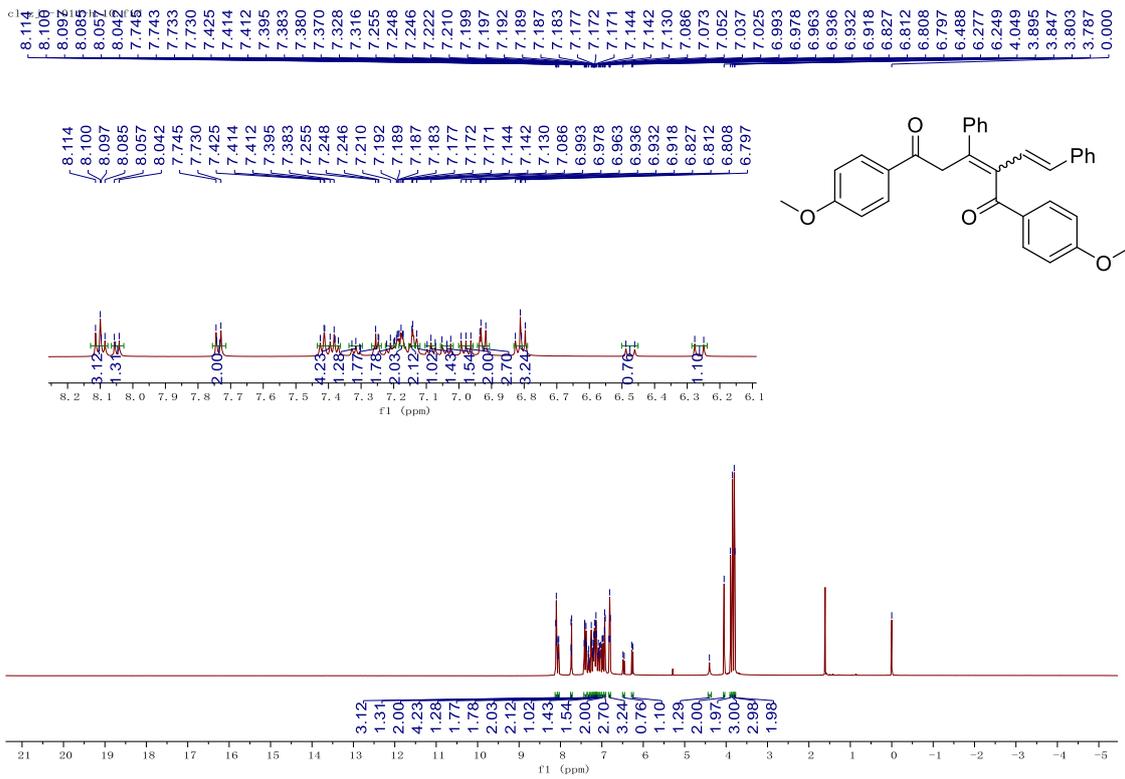


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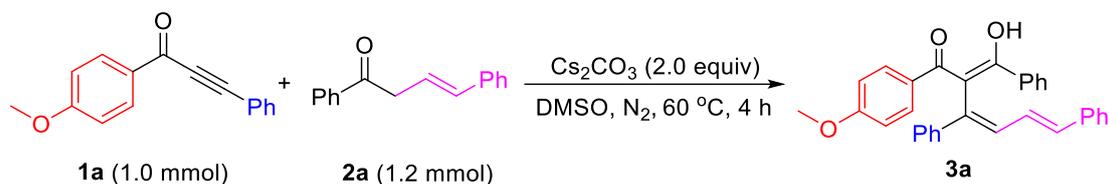


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7. 1.0 mmol scale reactions for the preparation of 3a

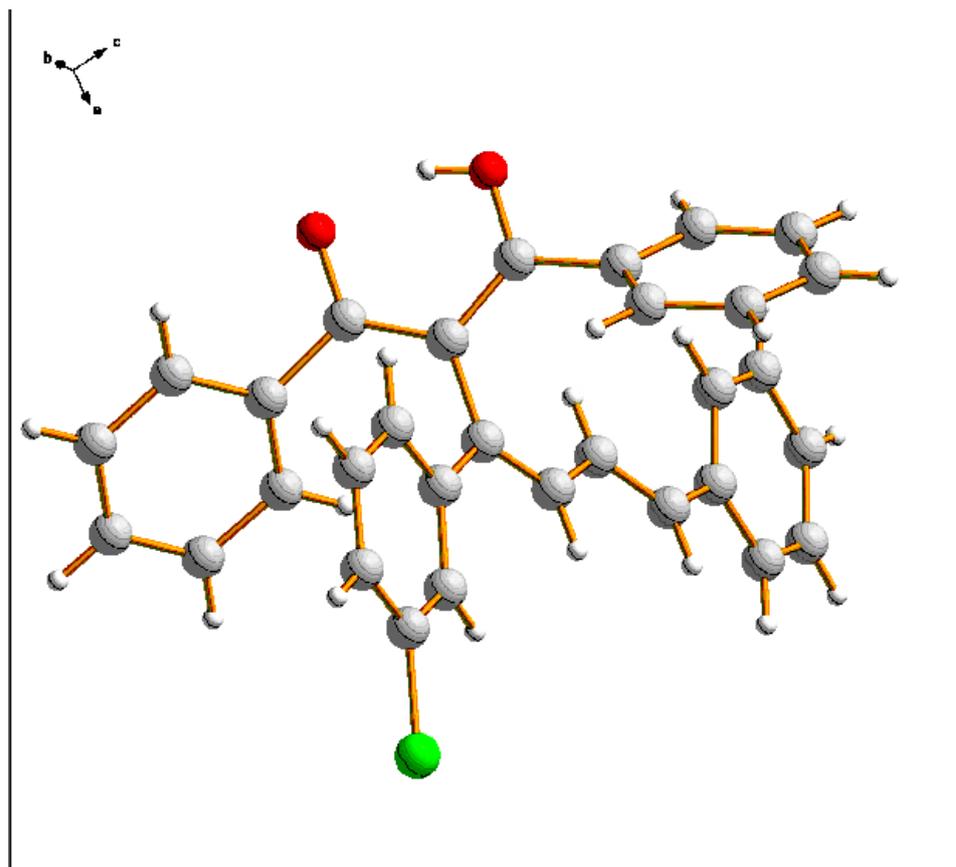


In a schlenk tube 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-phenylprop-2-yn-1-one **1a** (1.0 mmol, 236.3 mg), (*E*)-1,4-diphenylbut-3-en-1-one **2a** (1.2 mmol, 266.7 mg), Cs₂CO₃ (2.0 mmol, 651.6 mg) and DMSO (10.0 mL) were stirred at 60 °C. After the reaction was completed as monitored by thin-layer chromatography, the reaction mixture was then quenched by water, and the water layers were extracted with ethyl acetate (10 mL × 3). The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification by chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 12:1) afforded desired compound **3a** (yellow solid, 343.92 mg, 75%).

8. X-Ray Crystal Structure of 3I (CCDC: 2156724)

(2*Z*,3*Z*,5*E*)-3-(3-chlorophenyl)-2-(hydroxy(phenyl)methylene)-1,6-diphenylhexa-3,5-dien-1-one (3I).

Sample preparation for crystal growth: Compound **3I** (50 mg) was dissolved in the mixed solvent of dichloromethane/petroleum ether = 3 ml/6 ml in a 50 mL round-bottom flask. The yellow single crystal of **3I** was obtained by slowly evaporating mixed solvent at room temperature under air.



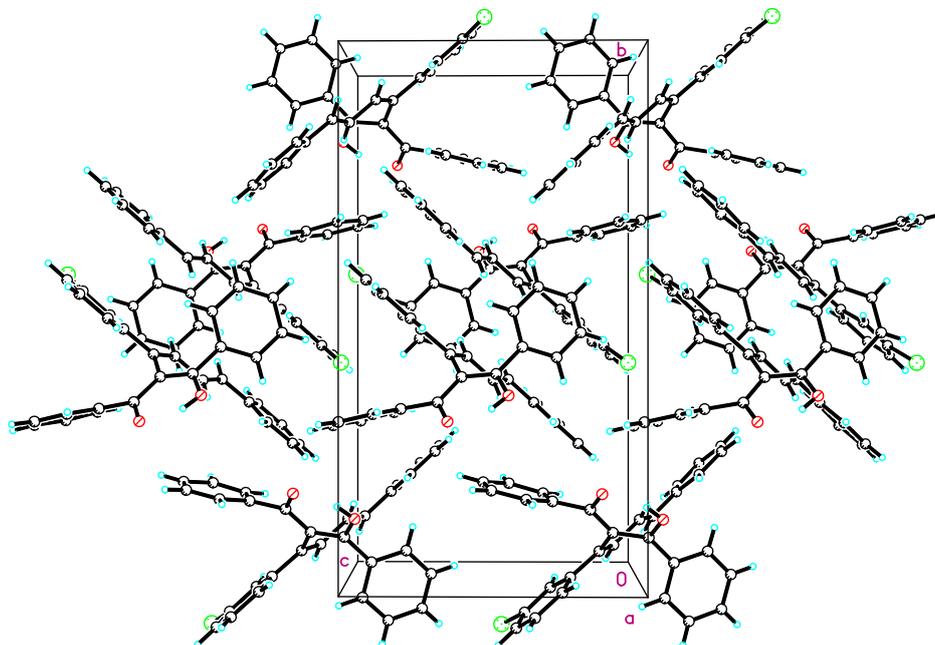


Table 1. Crystal data and structure refinement for **3I**

Identification code	3I
Empirical formula	$C_{31}H_{23}ClO_2$
Formula weight	462.94
Temperature	213(2) K
Wavelength	0.71073 Å
Crystal system	Monoclinic
Space group	P 21/c
Unit cell dimensions	a = 10.4144(4) Å $\alpha = 90^\circ$. b = 20.4948(8) Å $\beta = 91.1890(10)^\circ$. c = 11.3123(5) Å $\gamma = 90^\circ$.
Volume	2413.99(17) Å ³
Z	4
Density (calculated)	1.274 Mg/m ³
Absorption coefficient	0.185 mm ⁻¹
F(000)	968
Crystal size	0.20 x 0.15 x 0.100 mm ³
Theta range for data collection	2.682 to 25.998°.
Index ranges	-12 ≤ h ≤ 12, -25 ≤ k ≤ 25, -13 ≤ l ≤ 13
Reflections collected	32059
Independent reflections	4709 [R(int) = 0.0339]
Completeness to theta = 25.242°	99.5 %
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents

Max. and min. transmission	0.7456 and 0.6806
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²
Data / restraints / parameters	4709 / 0 / 309
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.036
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0373, wR2 = 0.0896
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0469, wR2 = 0.0973
Extinction coefficient	0.013(2)
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.204 and -0.224 e.Å ⁻³

8. X-Ray Crystal Structure of **3y'** (CCDC: 2119670)

(4''-methoxy-4'-phenyl-[1,1':2',1''-terphenyl]-3'-yl)(4-methoxyphenyl)methanone (**3y'**)

Sample preparation for crystal growth: Compound **3y'** (50 mg) was dissolved in the mixed solvent of dichloromethane/petroleum ether = 3 ml/6 ml in a 50 mL round-bottom flask. The white single crystal of **3y'** was obtained by slowly evaporating mixed solvent at room temperature under air.

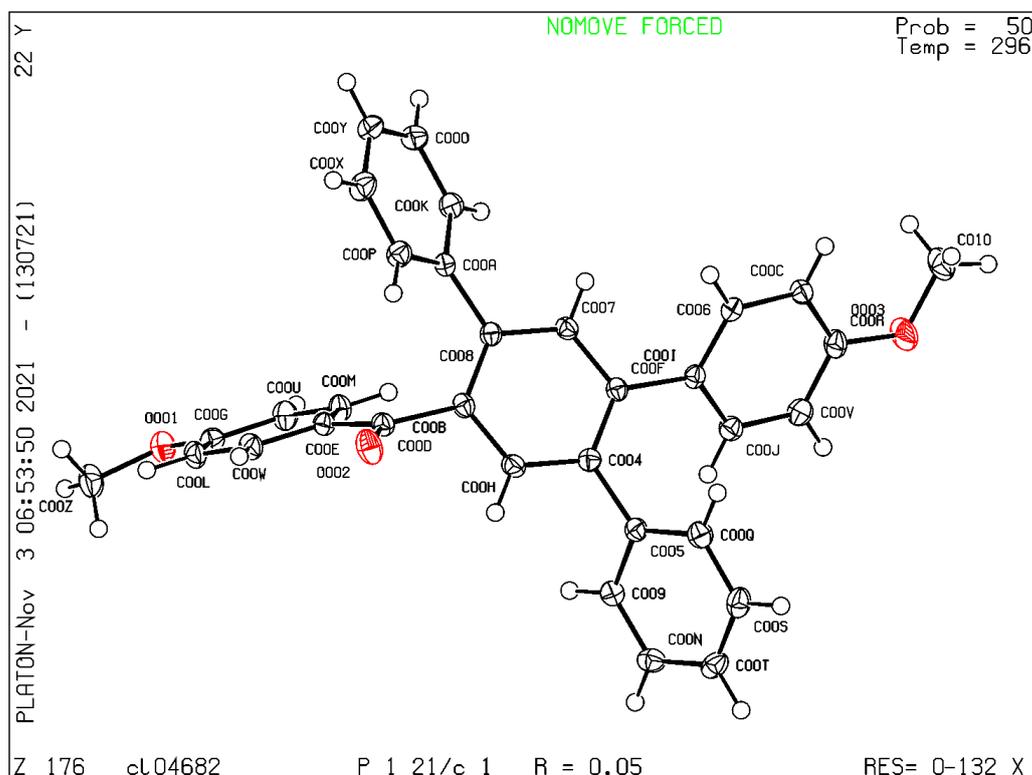


Table 2. Crystal data and structure refinement for **3y'**.

Identification code	3y'
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Empirical formula	C ₃₃ H ₂₆ O ₃	
Formula weight	470.54	
Temperature	296(2) K	
Wavelength	0.71073 Å	
Space group	P 21/c	
Unit cell dimensions	a = 14.2205(8) Å b = 9.9027(6) Å c = 17.0375(12) Å	α = 90°. β = 93.389(2)°. γ = 90°
Volume	2395.1(3) Å ³	
Z	4	
Density (calculated)	1.305 Mg/m ³	
Absorption coefficient	0.082 mm ⁻¹	
F(000)	992.0	
Index ranges	-19 ≤ h ≤ 19, -13 ≤ k ≤ 13, -23 ≤ l ≤ 23	
Completeness to theta = 29.975°	99.7 %	
Max. and min. transmission	0.746 and 0.698	
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0475, wR2 = 0.1341	

9. X-Ray Crystal Structure of **10** (CCDC: 2122766)

1,5-bis(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-phenyl-2-styrylpent-2-ene-1,5-dione (**10**)

Sample preparation for crystal growth: Compound **10'** (50 mg) was dissolved in the mixed solvent of dichloromethane/petroleum ether = 3 ml/6 ml in a 50 mL round-bottom flask. The yellow single crystal of **10** was obtained by slowly evaporating mixed solvent at room temperature under air.

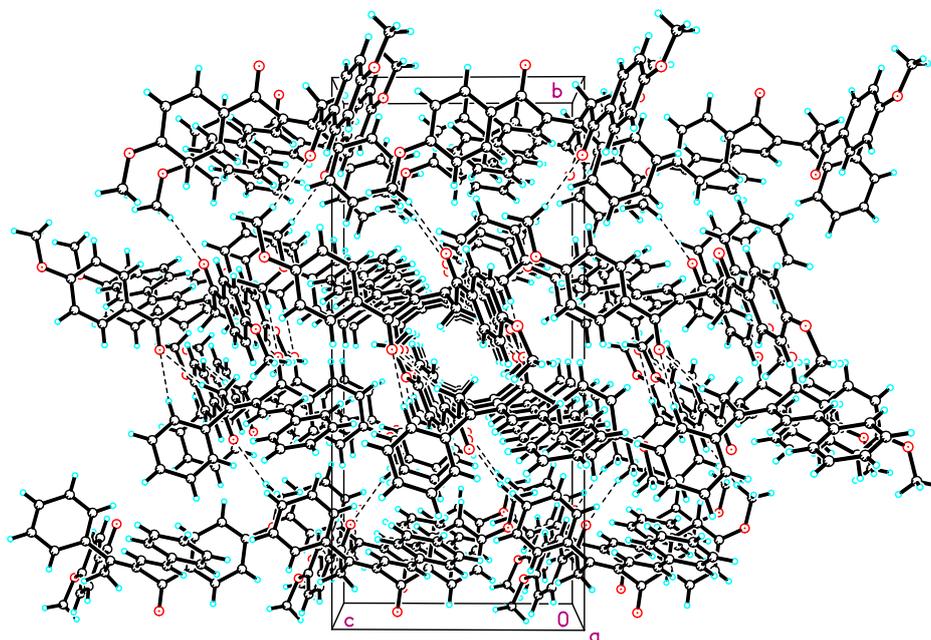
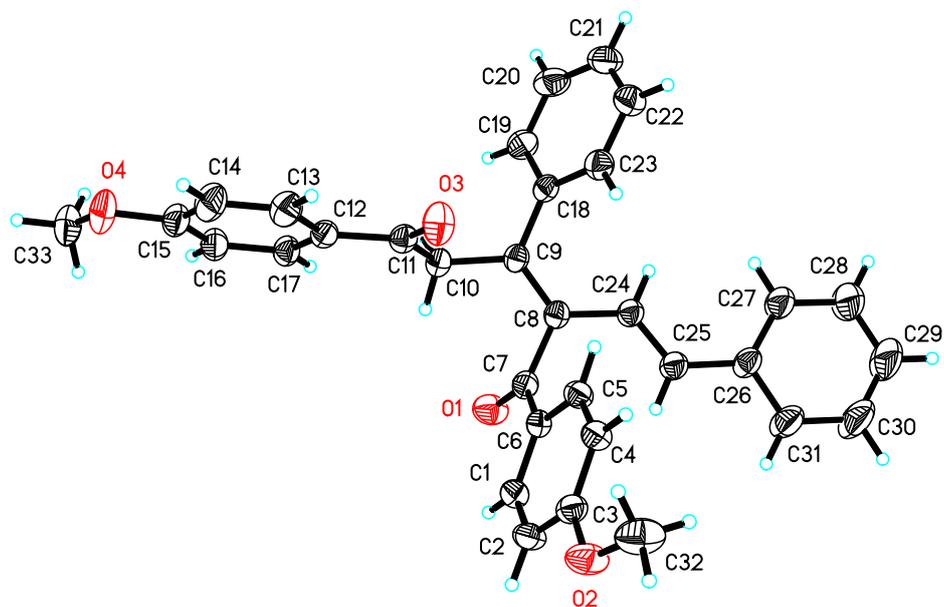


Table 3. Crystal data and structure refinement for **10**

Identification code	10
Empirical formula	$C_{33}H_{28}O_4$
Formula weight	488.55

Temperature	293(2) K
Wavelength	0.71073 Å
Crystal system	Monoclinic
Space group	P 21/c
Unit cell dimensions	a = 11.0647(3) Å α = 90° b = 23.0493(8) Å β = 92.0670(10)° c = 10.4440(3) Å γ = 90°
Volume	2661.84(14) Å ³
Z	4
Density (calculated)	1.219 Mg/m ³
Absorption coefficient	0.079 mm ⁻¹
F(000)	1032
Crystal size	0.200 x 0.150 x 0.120 mm ³
Theta range for data collection	2.553 to 25.999°.
Index ranges	-12<=h<=13, -28<=k<=28, -12<=l<=12
Reflections collected	27068
Independent reflections	5218 [R(int) = 0.0668]
Completeness to theta = 25.242°	99.6 %
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents
Max. and min. transmission	0.7456 and 0.5367
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²
Data / restraints / parameters	5218 / 0 / 337
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.025
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0474, wR2 = 0.1142
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0728, wR2 = 0.1331
Extinction coefficient	0.018(3)
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.135 and -0.190 e.Å ⁻³