

Supporting information

Discovery of 4-nitro-3-phenylisoxazole derivatives as potent antibacterial agents derived from the studies of [3+2] cycloaddition

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Reagents and instrument

All reagents were commercially available in Sigma-Aldrich with analytical purity. Melting points were tested in digital melting point analyzer with micro-display window (uncorrected, Shanghai Microelectronics Technology Co., Ltd.). The ^1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra were recorded on Bruker (Avance) 400 MHz and JEOL (Japan) 500 MHz NMR instrument with chemical reported as δ in CDCl_3 and $\text{DMSO}-d_6$, tetramethylsilane (TMS) as the internal standard. The high-resolution mass spectrometer (HRMS) was tested in TSQ 8000 high-resolution mass spectrometer and AB SCIEX X500R QTOF.

In vitro antibacterial bioassay

The antibacterial activities of all compounds were evaluated by turbidimeter test in NB medium followed reported methods. NB medium was prepared by 5.0 g glucose, 2.5 g peptone, 0.5 g yeast powder, 1.5 g beef extract and 500 mL pure water, pH = 7.0~7.2. Dimethylsulfoxide (DMSO) was used as a blank control, and bismethiazol, fluopyram were positive controls.

Xanthomonas oryzae (*Xoo*), *Pseudomonas syringae* (*Psa*) and *Xanthomonas axonopodis* (*Xac*) were obtained from State Key Laboratory Breeding Base of Green Pesticide and Agricultural Bioengineering, Key Laboratory of Green Pesticide and Agricultural Bioengineering, Ministry of Education, Center for R&D of Fine Chemicals, Guizhou University, Guiyang 550025, P. R. China.^{1,2} *Xoo*, *Psa*, and *Xac* were incubated in NB medium at 28 ± 1 °C and continuously shaken at 180 rpm until the logarithmic growth phase to get seed liquid. A 40 μL seed liquid of *Xoo*, *Psa* or *Xac* was added in 5 mL medicated NB medium containing various concentrations of compounds or positive control. The incubated test tubes were incubated at 28 ± 1 °C and continuously shaken at 180 rpm for 24 - 48 h until the bacteria were incubated on the logarithmic growth phase.

The growth of the cultures was monitored by measuring the optical density at 595 nm (OD_{595}) and calculated by the equation: turbidity corrected values = $\text{OD}_{\text{bacterial well}}$

– OD_{no bacterial well}, and the inhibition rate (I) was calculated by the equation: $I = (C - T) \div C \times 100\%$. C is the turbidity corrected value of blank control; T is the turbidity corrected value of treated NB medium. Inhibitions of all the compounds at 100, 50 µg/mL were calculated by the equation. EC₅₀ values of compounds **5o-5w**, bismertiazol, and fluopyram against *Xoo*, *Psa* and *Xac* were calculated by GraphPad Prism 8 software, which were tested from 200 µg/mL, 100 µg/mL, 50 µg/mL, 25 µg/mL, 12.5 µg/mL, 6.25 µg/mL, 3.125 µg/mL, and 1.5625 µg/mL.

Procedure for preparation of compound 3

Compound **1** (1 mmol) and compound **2** (1.2 mmol) were dissolved in a solution in DMF (6 mL). The mixture was added with NCS (2 mmol) and TEA (1 mmol), and then stirred for 6 h at 25 °C. The solution was extracted with EtOAc (50 mL) and washed with saturated NaHCO₃ (2 × 50 mL). The organic layer was dried over by magnesium sulfate, filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo* to afford the crude compound. The residue was purified by silica-gel column using PE/EtOAc = 10/1 to give compound **3**.

3,5-Diphenyl-isoxazole (3a) Light yellow solid; 85% yield; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.86 (m, 4H), 7.52 – 7.44 (m, 6H), 6.84 (s, 1H); Spectral properties were in accordance with the literature.³

3-phenyl-5-(p-tolyl)isoxazole (3b) White solid; 74% yield; mp: 129.8-131.2°C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.87 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 2.0 Hz, 2H), 7.74 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.53 – 7.44 (m, 3H), 7.30 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.78 (s, 1H), 2.42 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.6, 163.0, 140.6, 130.0, 129.7, 129.2, 128.9, 126.8, 125.8, 124.8, 96.9, 21.6; ESI-HRMS C₁₆H₁₃NO ([M+H]⁺): calcd 236.1069, found 236.1066.

5-(2-fluorophenyl)-3-phenylisoxazole (3c) White solid; 76% yield; mp: 66.2-68.6°C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.03 (m, 1H), 7.92 – 7.88 (m, 2H), 7.51 – 7.47 (m, 3H), 7.46 – 7.41 (m, 1H), 7.30 (m, 1H), 7.22 (m, 1H), 7.04 (d, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 151.4, 150.7, 148.2, 146.6, 125.4 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz), 124.1, 123.2 (d, *J* = 4.2 Hz), 122.2, 121.6, 119.9 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz), 113.1 (d, *J* = 13.6 Hz), 112.8 (d, *J* =

8.4 Hz), 101.4 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz); ESI-HRMS $C_{15}H_{10}FNO$ ($[M+H]^+$): calcd 240.0819, found 240.0815.

5-(3-fluorophenyl)-3-phenylisoxazole (3d) Light yellow solid; 86% yield; mp: 69.3–71.2°C; 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.89 – 7.84 (m, 2H), 7.63 (dd, $J = 7.6, 1.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.57 – 7.52 (m, 1H), 7.49 (dd, $J = 5.2, 2.0$ Hz, 3H), 7.47 – 7.44 (m, 1H), 7.20 – 7.13 (m, 1H), 6.85 (s, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 169.2, 164.1 (d, $J = 14.4$ Hz), 163.2, 162.1 (d, $J = 9.2$ Hz), 130.9 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 130.3, 129.4 (d, $J = 9.3$ Hz), 129.1, 126.9, 121.7, 117.3 (d, $J = 22.5$ Hz), 112.9 (d, $J = 23.4$ Hz), 98.4; ESI-HRMS $C_{15}H_{10}FNO$ ($[M+H]^+$): calcd 240.0819, found 240.0815.

5-(4-fluorophenyl)-3-phenylisoxazole (3e) Light yellow solid; 86% yield; mp: 138.2–140.9 °C; 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.89 – 7.80 (m, 4H), 7.51 – 7.45 (m, 3H), 7.23 – 7.14 (m, 2H), 6.78 (s, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 169.5, 164.9, 163.0 (d, $J = 36.4$ Hz), 130.2, 128.9 (d, $J = 33.2$ Hz), 128.4, 128.0 (d, $J = 9.4$ Hz), 126.9, 123.9, 116.3 (d, $J = 22.6$ Hz), 97.4; ESI-HRMS $C_{15}H_{10}FNO$ ($[M+H]^+$): calcd 240.0819, found 240.0815.

5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-phenylisoxazole (3f) Light yellow solid; 65% yield; mp: 106.1–108.2°C; 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.86 (dd, $J = 7.6, 2.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.81 – 7.75 (m, 2H), 7.52 – 7.44 (m, 3H), 7.05 – 6.97 (m, 2H), 6.71 (s, 1H), 3.87 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 156.4, 150.4, 149.0, 124.0, 123.5, 123.2, 122.0, 121.5, 116.3, 111.6, 97.0, 64.4; ESI-HRMS $C_{16}H_{13}NO_2$ ($[M+H]^+$): calcd 252.1019, found 252.1016.

3-phenyl-5-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)isoxazole (3g) Light yellow solid; 88% yield; mp: 166.1–167.9°C; 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.96 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.90 – 7.85 (m, 2H), 7.76 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.54 – 7.47 (m, 3H), 6.94 (s, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 168.8, 163.2, 132.1, 131.8, 130.6, 130.3, 129.0, 128.7, 126.9, 126.1 (q, $J = 4.2$ Hz), 125.1, 99.0; ESI-HRMS $C_{16}H_{10}F_3NO$ ($[M+H]^+$): calcd 290.0787, found 290.0784.

5-phenyl-3-(*m*-tolyl)isoxazole (3h) White solid; 71% yield; mp: 69.3–71.2°C; 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.88 – 7.82 (m, 2H), 7.71 (s, 1H), 7.66 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.54 – 7.43 (m, 3H), 7.38 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.29 (s, 1H), 6.83 (s, 1H), 2.44 (s, 3H); ^{13}C

NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.3, 163.1, 138.7, 130.8, 130.2, 129.0, 129.0, 128.9, 127.5, 127.5, 125.9, 124.0, 97.6, 21.5; ESI-HRMS C₁₆H₁₃NO ([M+H]⁺): calcd 236.1069, found 236.1066.

5-phenyl-3-(p-tolyl)isoxazole (3i) White solid; 71% yield; mp: 115.5-116.4°C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.84 (m, 2H), 7.76 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.54 – 7.41 (m, 3H), 7.29 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.81 (s, 1H), 2.42 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.2, 163.0, 140.2, 130.2, 129.7, 129.0, 127.5, 126.7, 126.3, 125.9, 97.5, 21.5; ESI-HRMS C₁₆H₁₃NO ([M+H]⁺): calcd 236.1069, found 236.1066.

3-(4-methoxyphenyl)-5-phenylisoxazole (3j) White solid; 76% yield; mp: 109.0-112.4 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.82 (m, 4H), 7.54 – 7.41 (m, 3H), 7.06 – 6.97 (m, 2H), 6.78 (s, 1H), 3.87 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.2, 162.6, 161.0, 130.2, 129.0, 128.2, 127.5, 125.8, 121.6, 114.3, 97.3, 55.4; ESI-HRMS C₁₆H₁₃NO₂ ([M+H]⁺): calcd 252.1019, found 252.1019.

3-(3-chlorophenyl)-5-phenylisoxazole (3k) White solid; 65% yield; mp: 113.2-114.5 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.90 – 7.81 (m, 3H), 7.80 – 7.74 (m, 1H), 7.54 – 7.41 (m, 5H), 6.82 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.8, 161.9, 135.0, 130.9, 130.5, 130.3, 130.1, 129.1, 127.2, 127.0, 125.9, 124.9, 97.4; ESI-HRMS C₁₅H₁₀ClNO ([M+H]⁺): calcd 256.0523, found 256.0519.

3-(m-tolyl)-5-(p-tolyl)isoxazole (3l) Light yellow solid; 68% yield; mp: 65.4-166.7°C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.74 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.70 (s, 1H), 7.65 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.29 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 3H), 6.77 (s, 1H), 2.43 (s, 3H), 2.42 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.5, 163.1, 140.5, 138.7, 130.8, 129.7, 129.1, 128.8, 127.5, 125.8, 124.8, 124.0, 97.0, 21.6, 21.5; ESI-HRMS C₁₇H₁₅NO ([M+H]⁺): calcd 250.1226, found 250.1222.

Procedure for preparation of compound 5

Compound **1** (1 mmol) and compound **4** (1.2 mmol) were dissolved in a solution of DMF (6 mL). The mixture was added NCS (2 mmol) and TEA (1 mmol), then stirred for 6 h at 25 °C. The solution was extracted with EtOAc (50 mL) and washed with

saturated NaHCO₃ (2 × 50 mL). The organic layer was dried over magnesium sulfate, filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo* to afford the crude compound. The residue was purified by silica-gel column using PE/EtOAc = 5/1 to give the product.

1-(3-phenylisoxazol-4-yl)ethan-1-one (5a) Light yellow solid; 61% yield; mp: 70.6~72.7°C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.00 (s, 1H), 7.73 – 7.64 (m, 2H), 7.53 – 7.43 (m, 3H), 2.45 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 190.4, 163.5, 160.8, 130.3, 129.4, 128.4, 127.4, 120.9, 29.8; ESI-HRMS C₁₁H₉NO₂ ([M+H]⁺): calcd 188.0706, found 188.0704.

1-(3-(*m*-tolyl)isoxazol-4-yl)ethan-1-one (5b) Light yellow solid; 57% yield; mp: 96.0~97.5°C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.98 (s, 1H), 7.51 – 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.36 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.31 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 2.44 (s, 3H), 2.42 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 172.5, 150.8, 148.8, 130.6, 124.9, 124.0, 122.7, 121.8, 121.3, 116.8, 43.9, 37.2; ESI-HRMS C₁₂H₁₁NO₂ ([M+H]⁺): calcd 202.0862, found 202.0860.

1-(3-(4-methoxyphenyl)isoxazol-4-yl)ethan-1-one (5c) White solid; 53% yield; mp: 95.1~96.6°C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.98 (s, 1H), 7.73 – 7.62 (m, 2H), 7.04 – 6.92 (m, 2H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 2.47 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 190.5, 163.6, 161.2, 160.4, 130.9, 120.7, 119.5, 113.8, 55.4, 29.8; ESI-HRMS C₁₂H₁₁NO₃ ([M+H]⁺): calcd 218.0811, found 218.0809.

1-(3-(3-chlorophenyl)isoxazol-4-yl)ethan-1-one (5d) Light yellow solid; 58% yield; mp: 114.1~115.7°C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.02 (s, 1H), 7.73 (t, *J* = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.64 – 7.58 (m, 1H), 7.48 (m, 1H), 7.40 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.49 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 172.1, 151.0, 147.9, 127.5, 123.7, 123.7, 123.3, 123.3, 122.2, 116.5, 43.8; ESI-HRMS C₁₁H₈ClNO₂ ([M+H]⁺): calcd 222.0316, found 222.0316.

1-(3-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)isoxazol-4-yl)ethan-1-one (5e) White solid; 62% yield; mp: 100.2~102.8°C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.05 (s, 1H), 7.85 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.73 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.53 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 172.0, 151.0, 147.9, 125.9, 125.7, 124.8, 124.0, 120.3 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz), 116.5, 43.8; ESI-HRMS C₁₂H₈F₃NO₂ ([M+H]⁺): calcd 256.0579, found 256.0565.

1-(3-(2-nitrophenyl)isoxazol-4-yl)ethan-1-one (5f) Yellow solid; 43% yield; mp:133.3~135.6 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.00 (s, 1H), 8.28 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.77 – 7.66 (m, 2H), 7.54 (dd, *J* = 7.2, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 2.43 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 190.0, 162.1, 159.3, 148.5, 133.5, 132.2, 131.1, 124.9, 123.8, 120.7, 28.9; ESI-HRMS C₁₁H₈N₂O₄ ([M+Na]⁺): calcd 255.0376, found 255.0376.

1-(3-(3-nitrophenyl)isoxazol-4-yl)ethan-1-one (5g) Light yellow solid; 48% yield; mp: 114.9~116.1°C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.09 (s, 1H), 8.65 (t, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 8.36 (m, 1H), 8.14 – 8.05 (m, 1H), 7.66 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.56 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 189.9, 164.0, 159.2, 148.1, 135.5, 129.3, 129.1, 125.0, 124.8, 120.4, 29.6; ESI-HRMS C₁₁H₈N₂O₄ ([M+Na]⁺): calcd 255.0376, found 255.0369.

1-(3-(4-nitrophenyl)isoxazol-4-yl)ethan-1-one (5h) Yellow solid; 48% yield; mp: 159.9~161.2°C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.09 (s, 1H), 8.32 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.94 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 2.56 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 189.8, 164.0, 159.3, 148.9, 133.7, 130.7, 123.4, 120.5, 29.7; ESI-HRMS C₁₁H₈N₂O₄ ([M+Na]⁺): calcd 255.0376, found 255.0376.

Ethyl 3-phenylisoxazole-4-carboxylate (5i) Colorless oil; 67% yield; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.01 (s, 1H), 7.79 – 7.75 (m, 2H), 7.50 – 7.45 (m, 3H), 4.29 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.30 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 164.1, 161.3, 160.9, 130.2, 129.5, 128.2, 127.3, 113.1, 61.1, 14.1; ESI-HRMS C₁₂H₁₁NO₃ ([M+H]⁺): calcd 218.0811, found 218.0810.

Ethyl 3-(3-chlorophenyl)isoxazole-4-carboxylate (5j) White solid; 63% yield; mp:41.1~42.8°C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.02 (s, 1H), 7.80 (t, *J* = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.71 – 7.65 (m, 1H), 7.47 (m, 1H), 7.41 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.31 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.32 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 164.4, 160.7, 160.1, 134.2, 130.3, 129.6, 129.5, 129.0, 127.7, 113.1, 61.3, 14.1; ESI-HRMS C₁₂H₁₀ClNO₃ ([M+H]⁺): calcd 252.0422, found 252.0418.

Ethyl 3-(4-methoxyphenyl)isoxazole-4-carboxylate (5k) White solid; 60% yield; mp: 46.3~48.1°C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.98 (s, 1H), 7.76 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.99 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 4.30 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 1.32 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C

NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 164.2, 161.2, 160.9, 160.4, 131.0, 119.4, 113.7, 112.8, 61.1, 55.4, 14.2; ESI-HRMS C₁₃H₁₃NO₄ ([M+Na]⁺): calcd 270.0737, found 270.0737.

Ethyl 3-(3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)isoxazole-4-carboxylate (5l) Colorless oil; 44% yield; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.06 (s, 1H), 8.09 (s, 1H), 7.99 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.31 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.31 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 164.6, 161.0, 160.2, 132.9, 130.8 (q, *J* = 33.2 Hz), 128.8, 128.2, 127.9, 125.2, 122.5, 113.2, 61.4, 14.1; ESI-HRMS C₁₃H₁₀F₃NO₃ ([M+H]⁺): calcd 286.0685, found 286.0675.

Ethyl 3-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)isoxazole-4-carboxylate (5m) White solid; 63% yield; mp: 35.3~37.1°C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.05 (s, 1H), 7.92 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.74 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 4.31 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.32 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 218.6, 164.5, 160.8, 160.4, 132.3, 131.0, 130.0, 125.3 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz), 113.15, 61.43, 14.18.; ESI-HRMS C₁₃H₁₀F₃NO₃ ([M+H]⁺): calcd 286.0685, found 286.0676.

Ethyl 3-(4-nitrophenyl)isoxazole-4-carboxylate (5n) White solid; 52% yield; mp: 95.4~97.5°C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.07 (s, 1H), 8.33 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 8.01 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 4.33 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.33 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 164.6, 160.5, 159.7, 148.9, 133.6, 130.7, 123.4, 113.1, 61.5, 14.2; ESI-HRMS C₁₂H₁₀N₂O₅ ([M+H]⁺): calcd 263.0662, found 263.0648.

4-nitro-3-phenylisoxazole (5o) Light yellow solid; 61% yield; mp: 87.1~89.5°C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.37 (s, 1H), 7.73 – 7.65 (m, 2H), 7.58 – 7.51 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 164.0, 156.6, 134.2, 131.3, 129.9, 129.0, 125.6; Spectral properties were in accordance with the literature.⁴

3-(2-fluorophenyl)-4-nitroisoxazole (5p) White solid; 57% yield; mp: 84.7~85.8°C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.36 (s, 1H), 7.62 – 7.54 (m, 2H), 7.32 (m, 1H), 7.25 – 7.21 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 163.9, 161.1, 159.1, 152.3, 134.1 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz), 131.8, 125.5, 116.5 (d, *J* = 20.6 Hz), 113.9 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz).

3-(3-fluorophenyl)-4-nitroisoxazole (5q) White solid; 59% yield; mp: 69.7~72.5°C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.37 (s, 1H), 7.80 – 7.66 (m, 2H), 7.21 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR

(100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 165.3, 164.0, 162.8, 155.8, 134.3, 132.6 (d, J = 9.2 Hz), 122.0 (d, J = 3.6 Hz), 116.2, 116.0.

3-(4-Fluoro-phenyl)-4-nitro-isoxazole (5r) White solid; 63% yield; mp: 85.5~86.6°C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 9.38 (s, 1H), 7.55 – 7.47 (m, 2H), 7.46 – 7.40 (m, 1H), 7.31 – 7.26 (m, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 163.7, 161.2, 160.8, 155.5 (d, J = 2.6 Hz), 130.4 (d, J = 8.3 Hz), 126.6 (d, J = 8.6 Hz), 125.4 (d, J = 3.2 Hz), 118.2 (d, J = 20.8 Hz), 116.8 (d, J = 23.9 Hz).

3-(2-bromophenyl)-4-nitroisoxazole (5s) White solid; 53% yield; mp: 53.5~55.5°C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 9.37 (s, 1H), 7.73 (m, 1H), 7.52 – 7.39 (m, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 150.8, 145.1, 127.6, 126.6, 126.5, 125.8, 122.8, 121.8, 118.5.

3-(3-bromophenyl)-4-nitroisoxazole (5t) White solid; 55% yield; mp: 90.0~92.4°C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 9.38 (s, 1H), 7.85 (t, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.71 (m, 1H), 7.67 – 7.59 (m, 1H), 7.40 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 151.2, 144.4, 127.6, 127.3, 126.1, 124.9, 123.3, 122.3, 117.6.

4-nitro-3-(p-tolyl)isoxazole (5u) White solid; 56% yield; mp: 48.3~49.7°C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 10.35 (s, 1H), 7.60 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.36 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 2.40 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 138.9, 132.9, 120.6, 115.0, 111.5, 111.3, 105.7, 24.9.

4-(4-nitroisoxazol-3-yl)benzonitrile (5v) White solid; 42% yield; mp: 131.2~132.5°C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 9.43 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 7.87 – 7.81 (m, 4H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 164.0, 155.7, 133.7, 132.8, 131.0, 130.3, 118.7, 113.9.

4-nitro-3-(3-nitrophenyl)isoxazole (5w) White solid; 36% yield; White solid; mp: 100.0~101.0°C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 9.45 (s, 1H), 8.62 (t, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 8.45 (m, 1H), 8.09 – 8.02 (m, 1H), 7.75 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 164.0, 155.2, 148.1, 136.5, 134.6, 130.7, 127.3, 126.0, 125.1

Procedure for preparation of compound 6

Compound **1** (1 mmol) was dissolved in a solution of DMF (6 mL). The mixture was added NCS (2 mmol), then stirred for 6 h at 25 °C. The solution was extracted with

EtOAc (50 mL) and washed with saturated NaHCO₃ (2 × 50 mL). The organic layer was dried over magnesium sulfate, filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo* to afford the crude compound. The residue was purified by silica-gel column using PE/EtOAc = 10/1 to give the product. Yellow oil; 85% yield; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.35-7.50 (m, 3H), 7.85 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.6 Hz, 2H), 8.43 (s, 1H). Spectral properties were in accordance with the literature.⁵

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Spectrum of Compound 3, 5 and 6

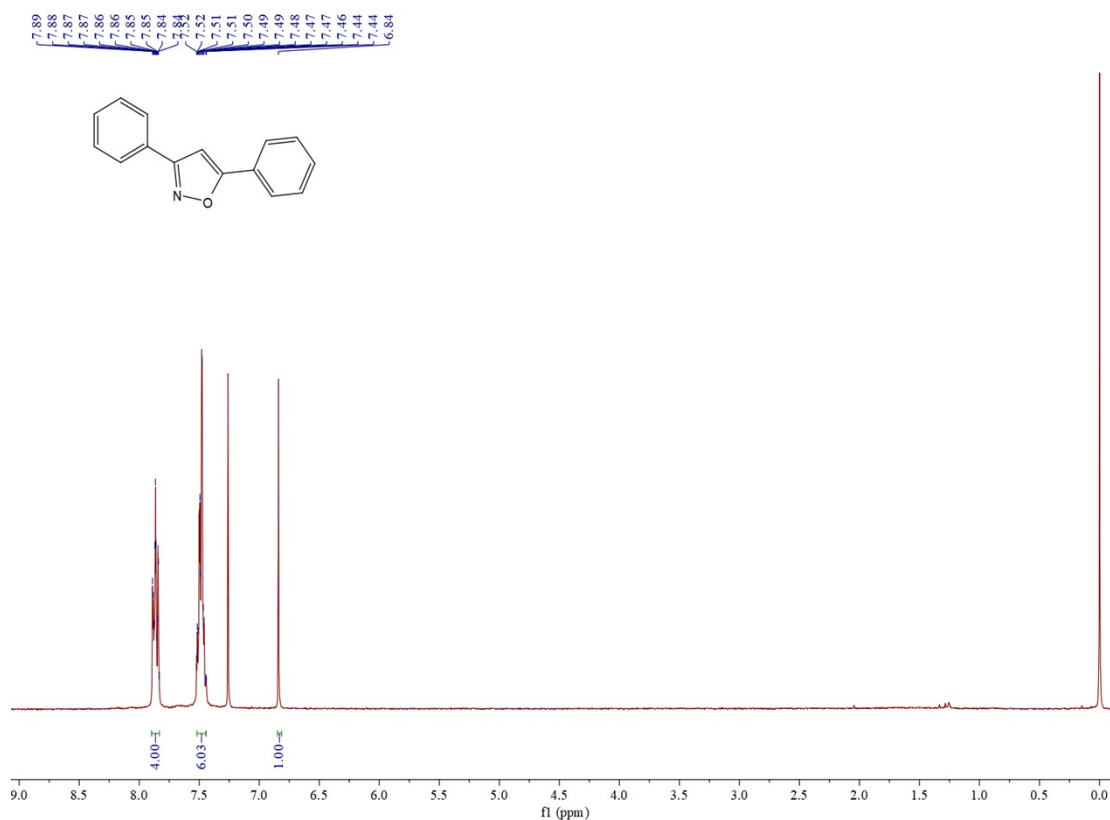


Fig. S1. ¹H NMR spectrum of compound 3a

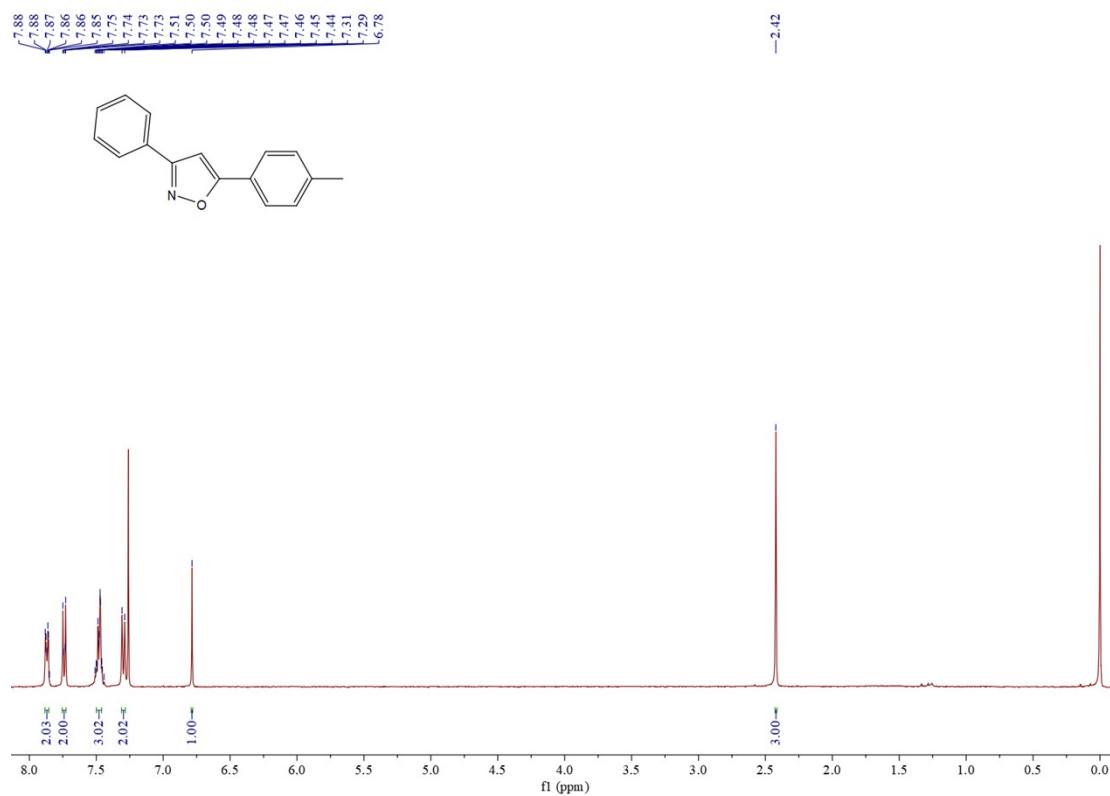


Fig. S2. ¹H NMR spectrum of compound 3b

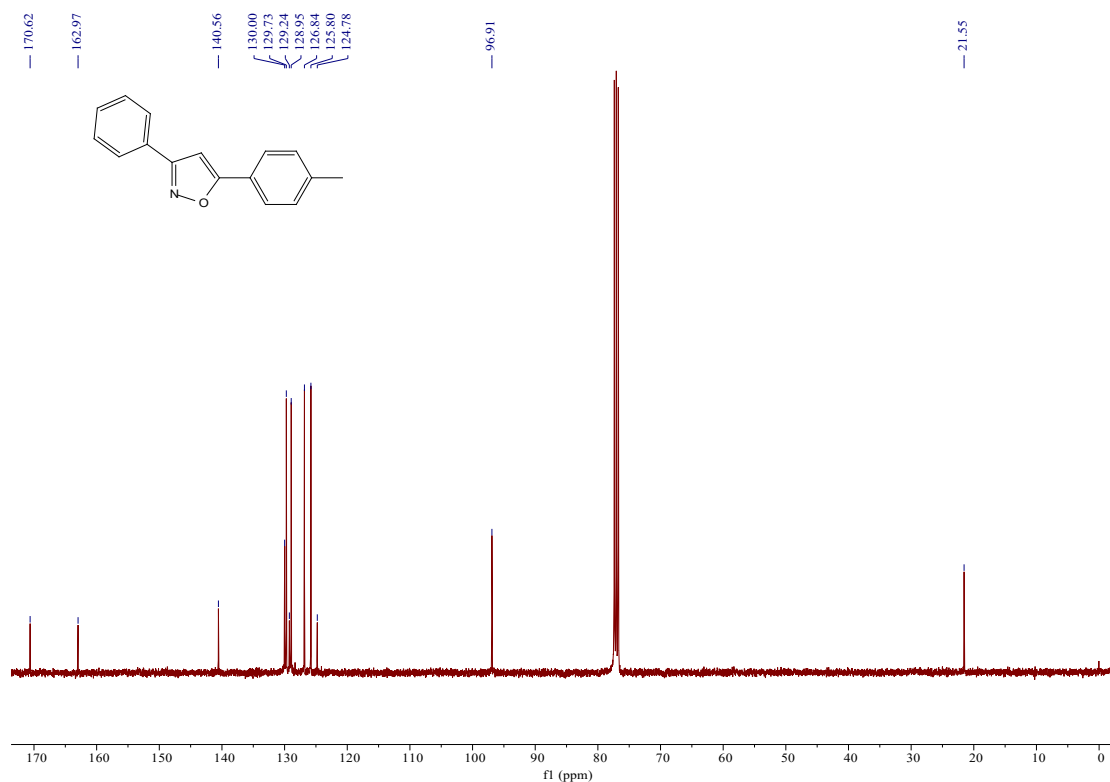


Fig. S3. ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound **3b**

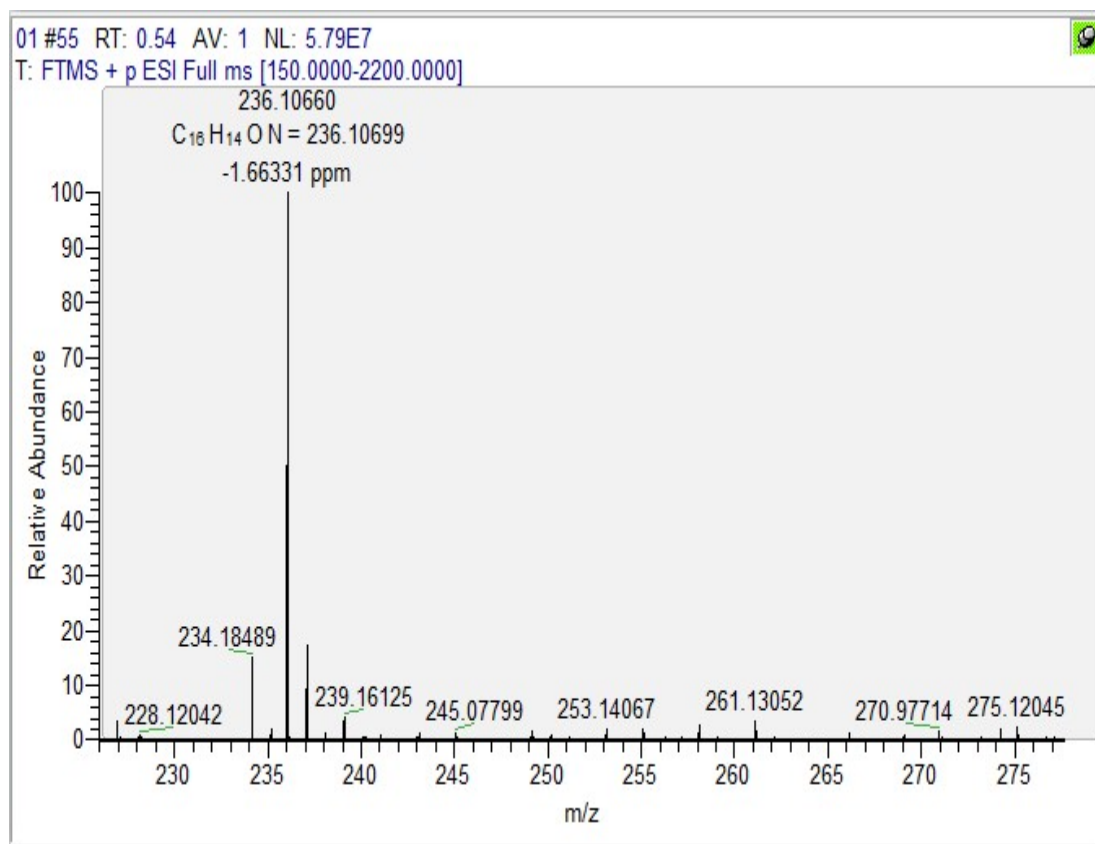


Fig. S4. HRMS spectrum of compound **3b**

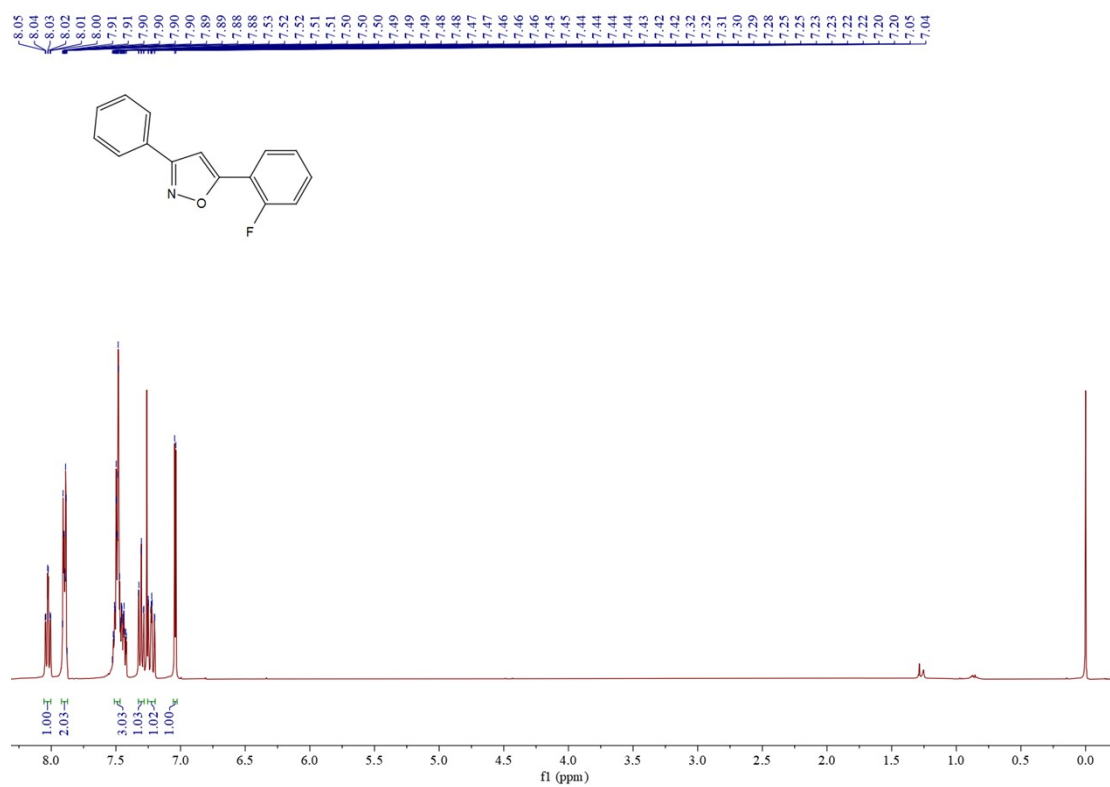


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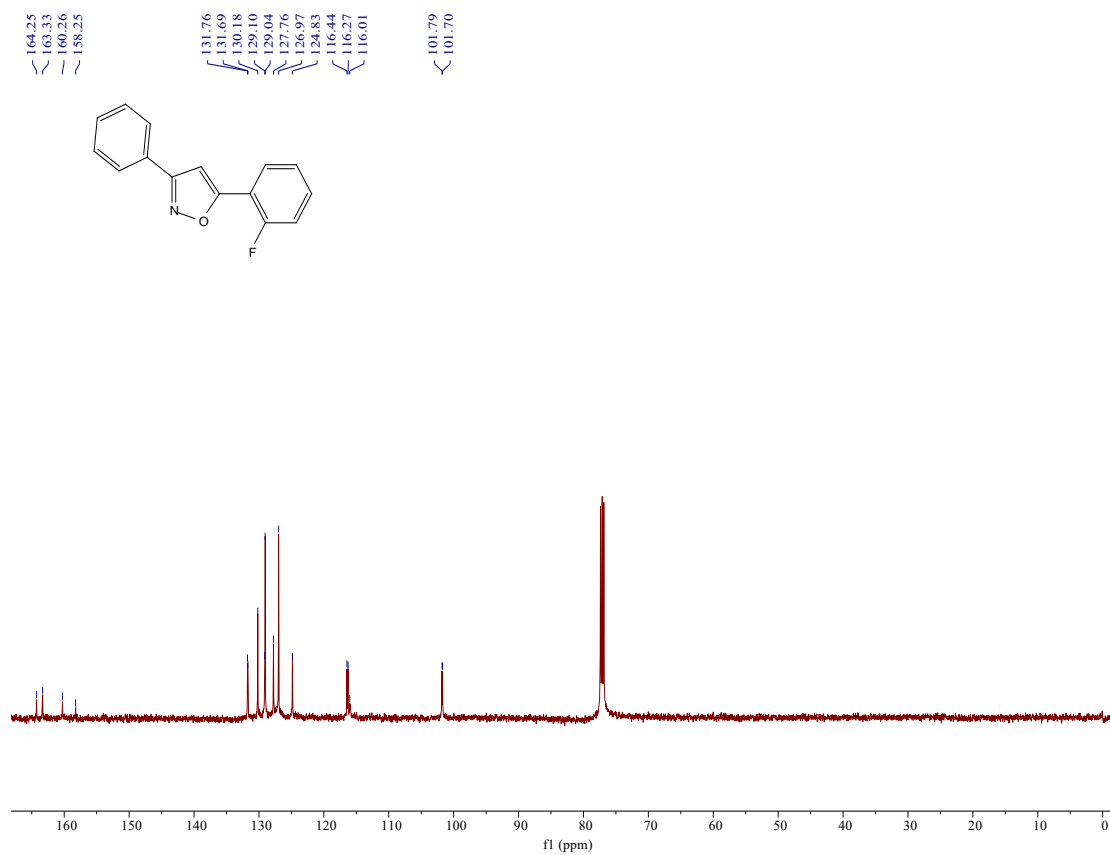


Fig. S6. ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound **3c**

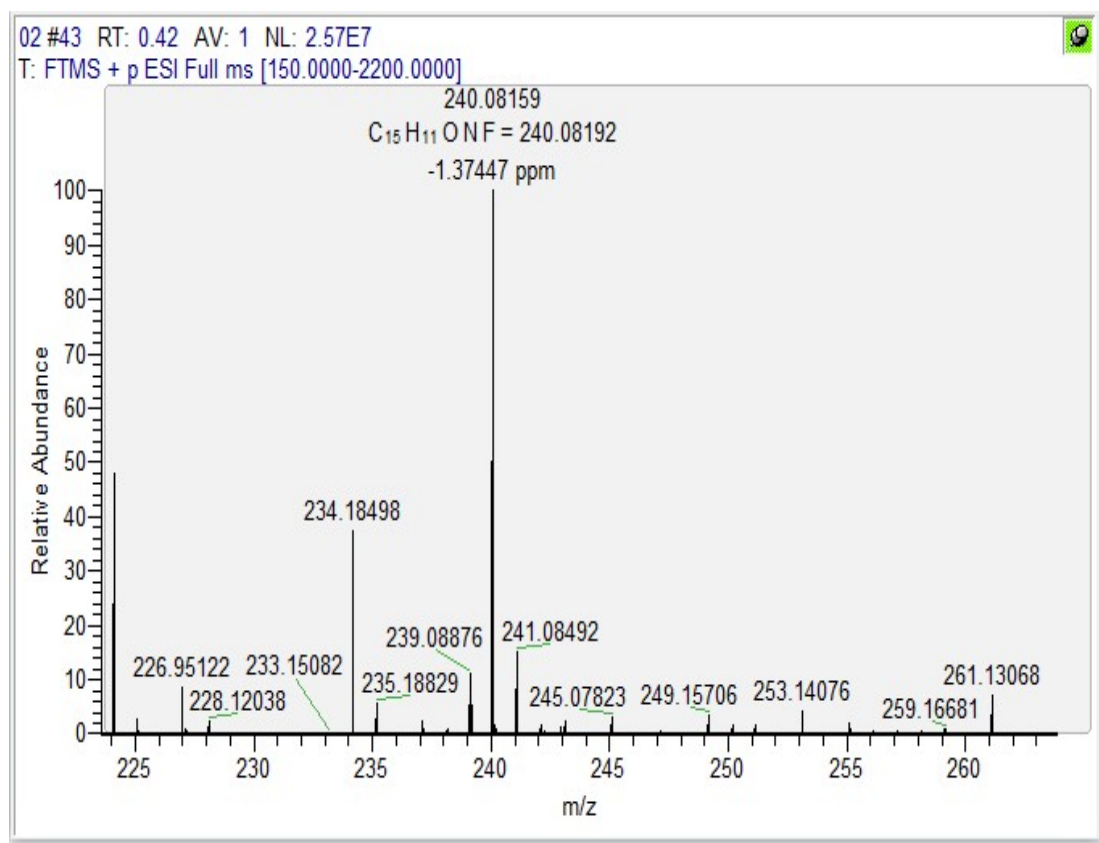


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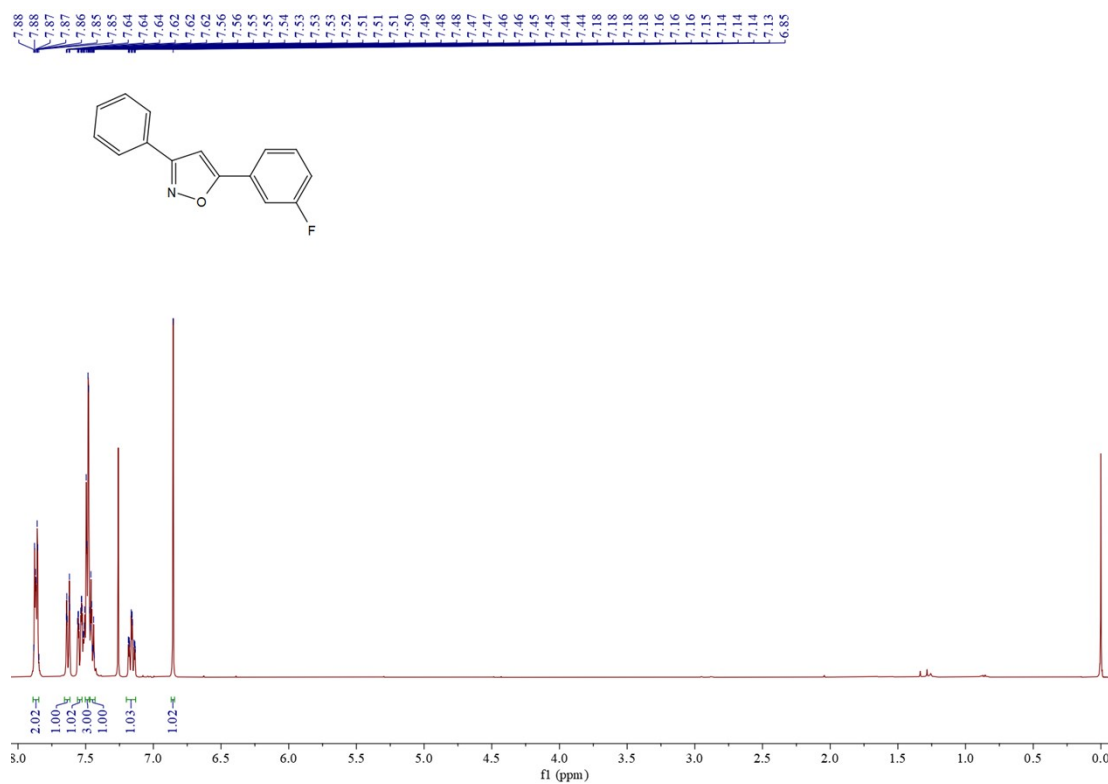


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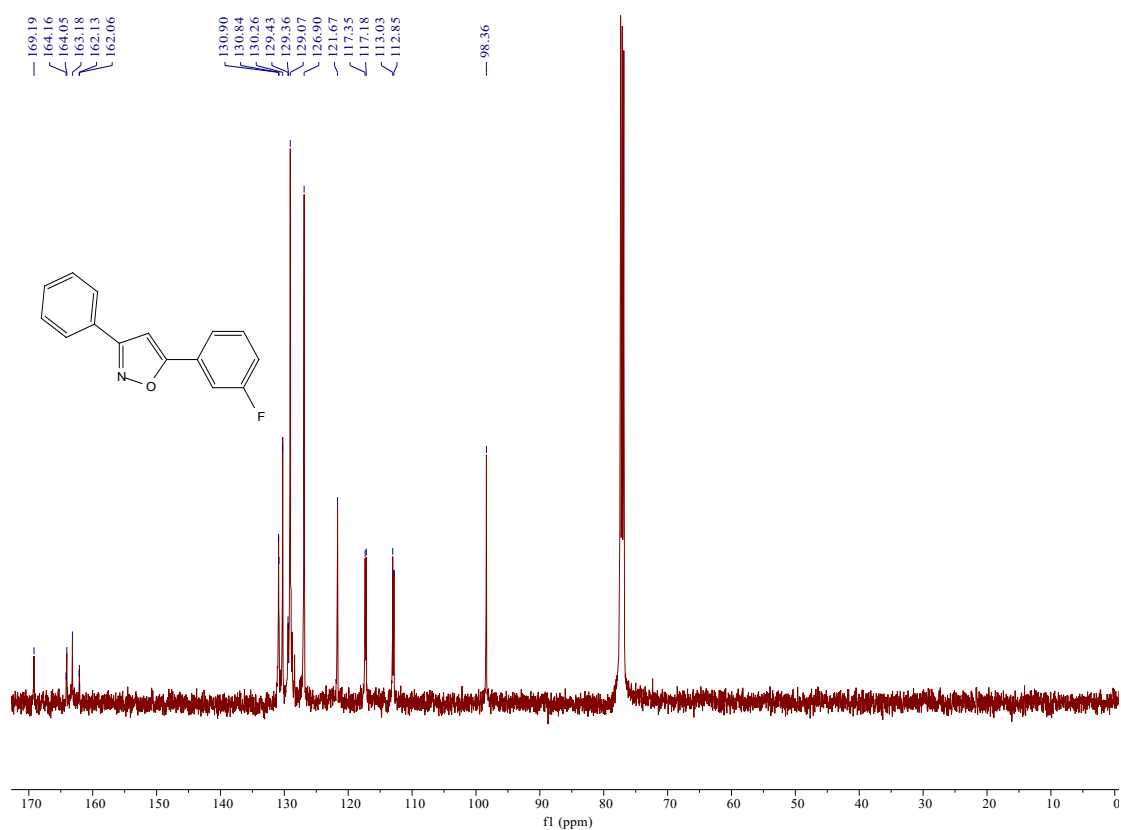


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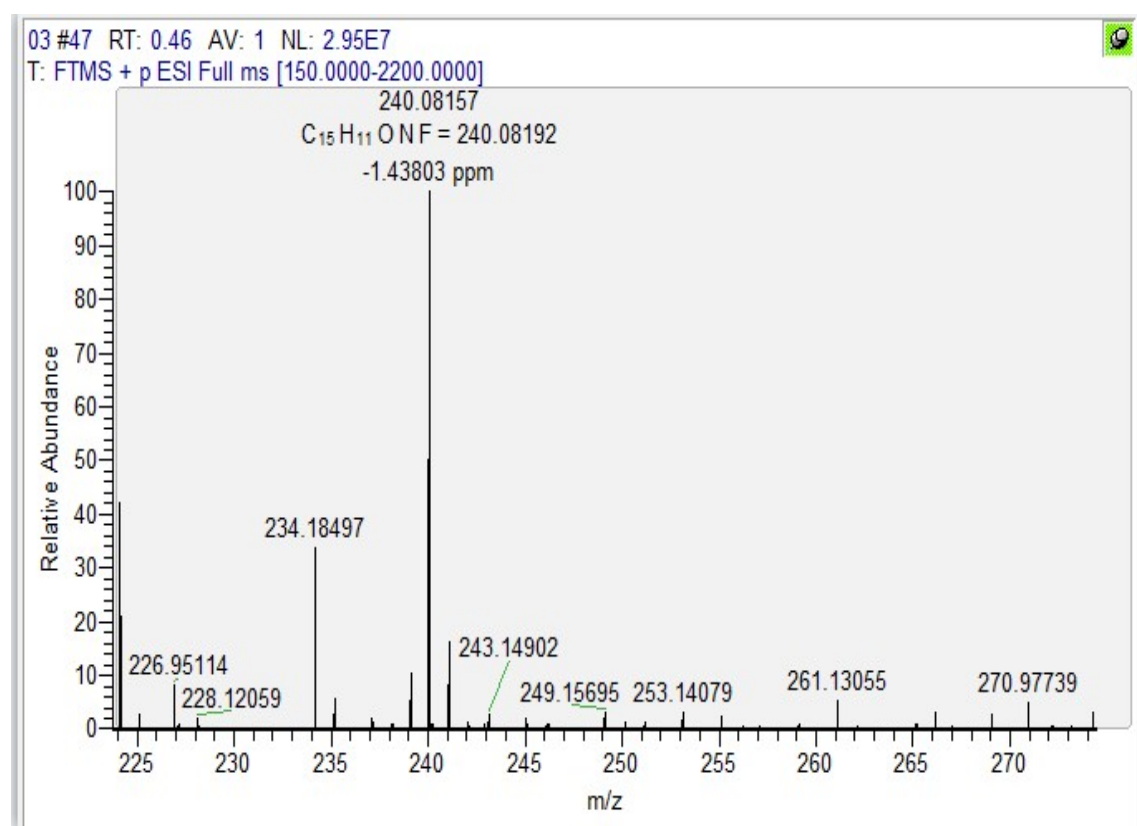


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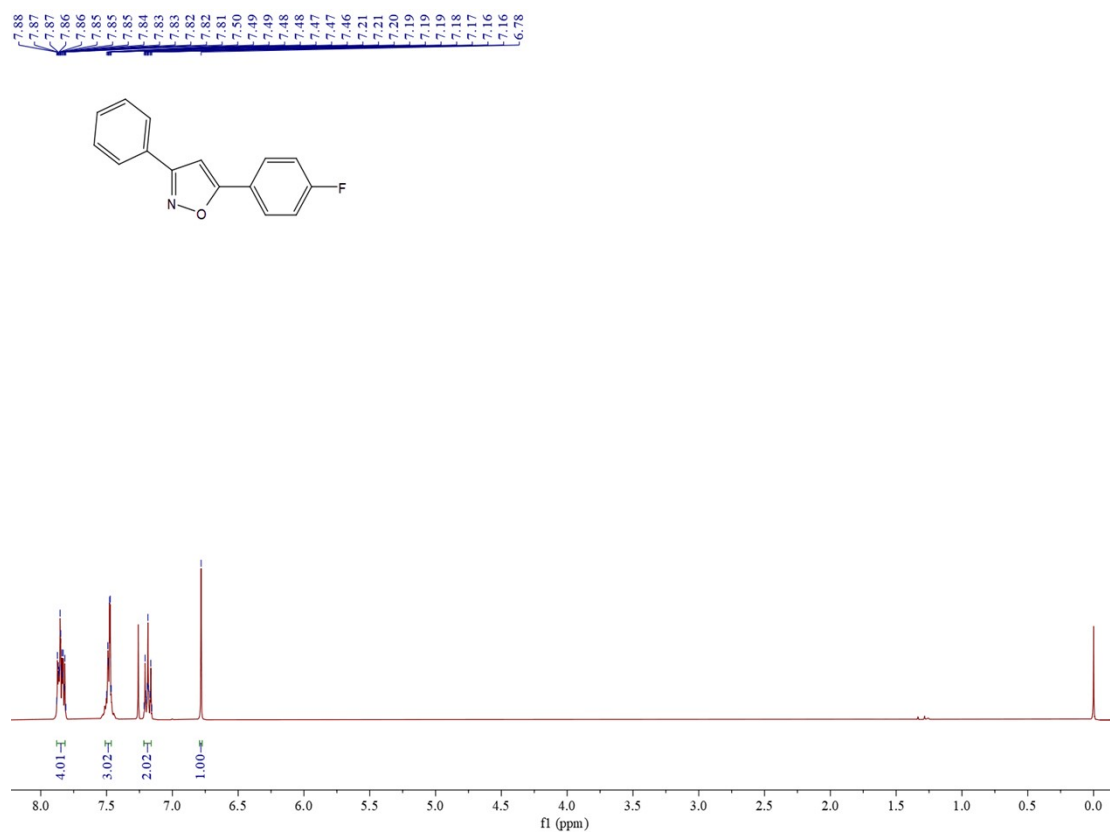


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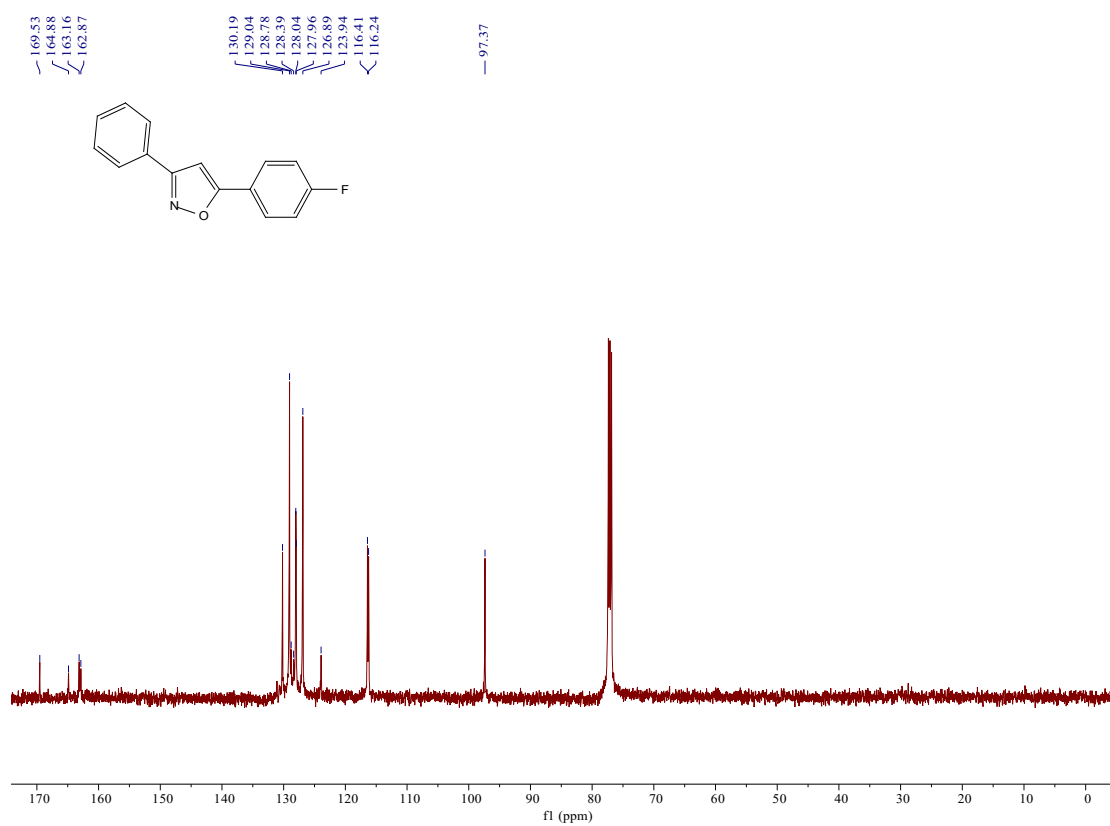


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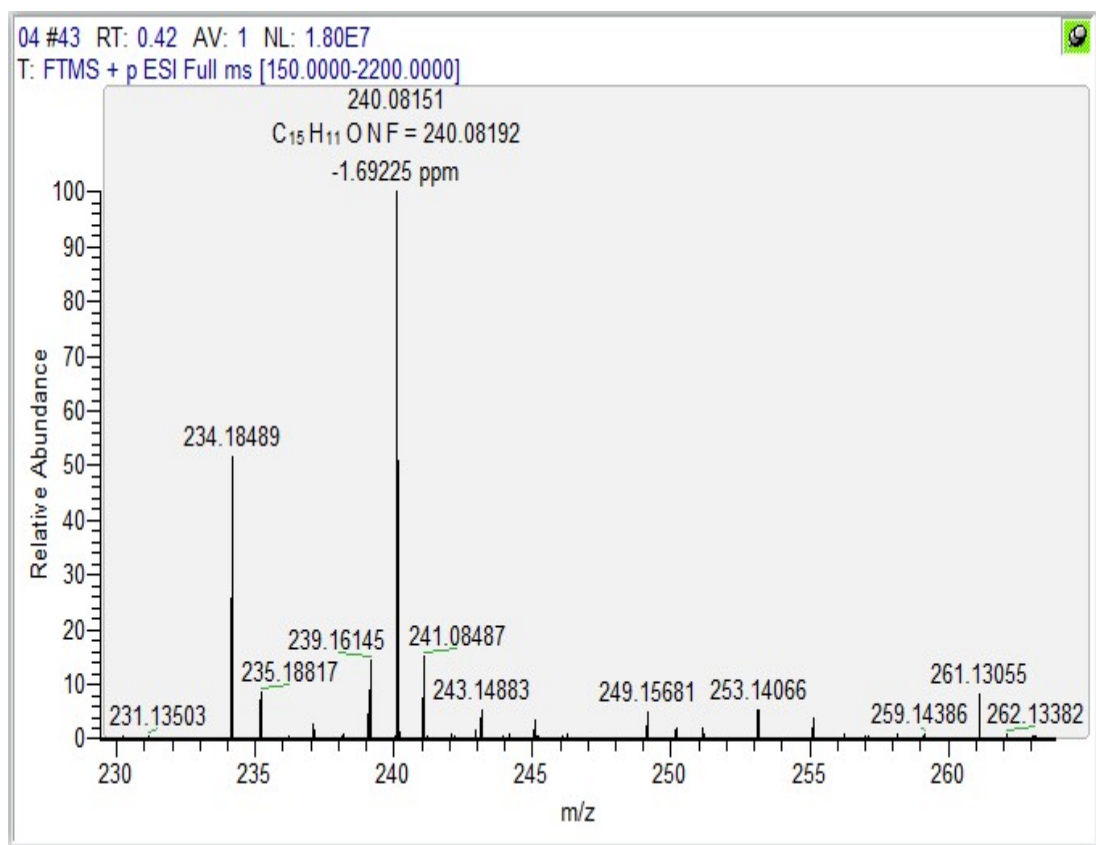


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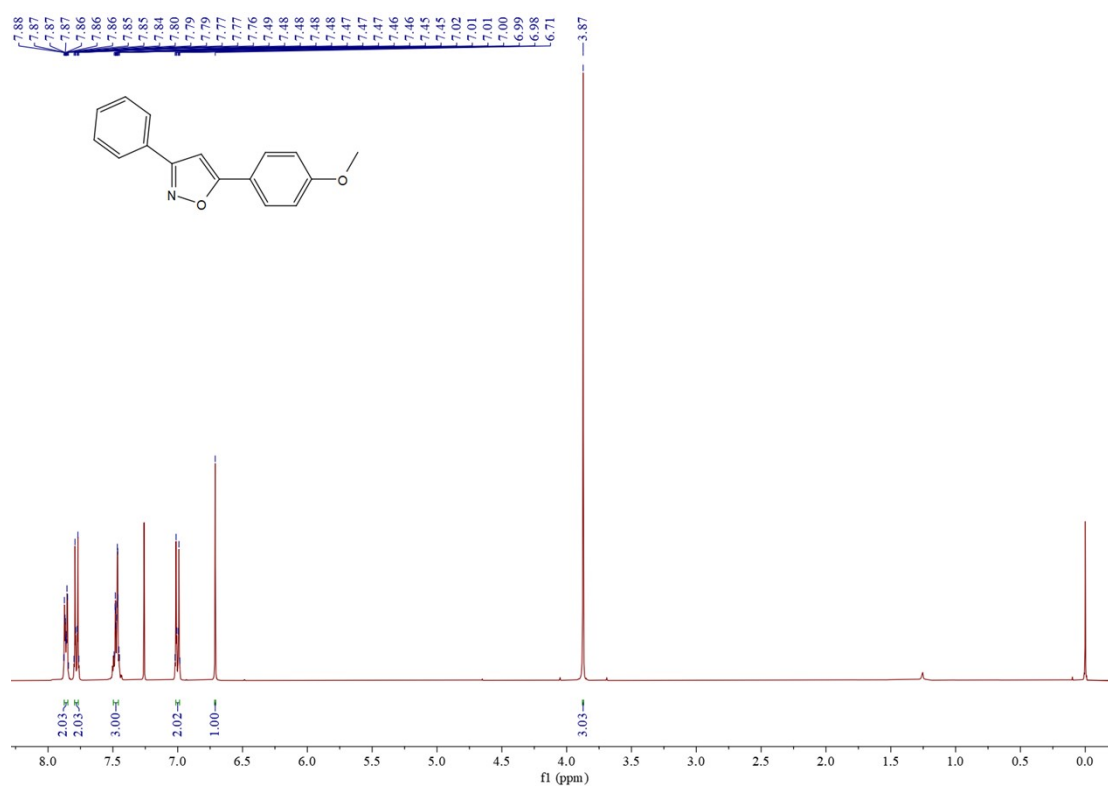


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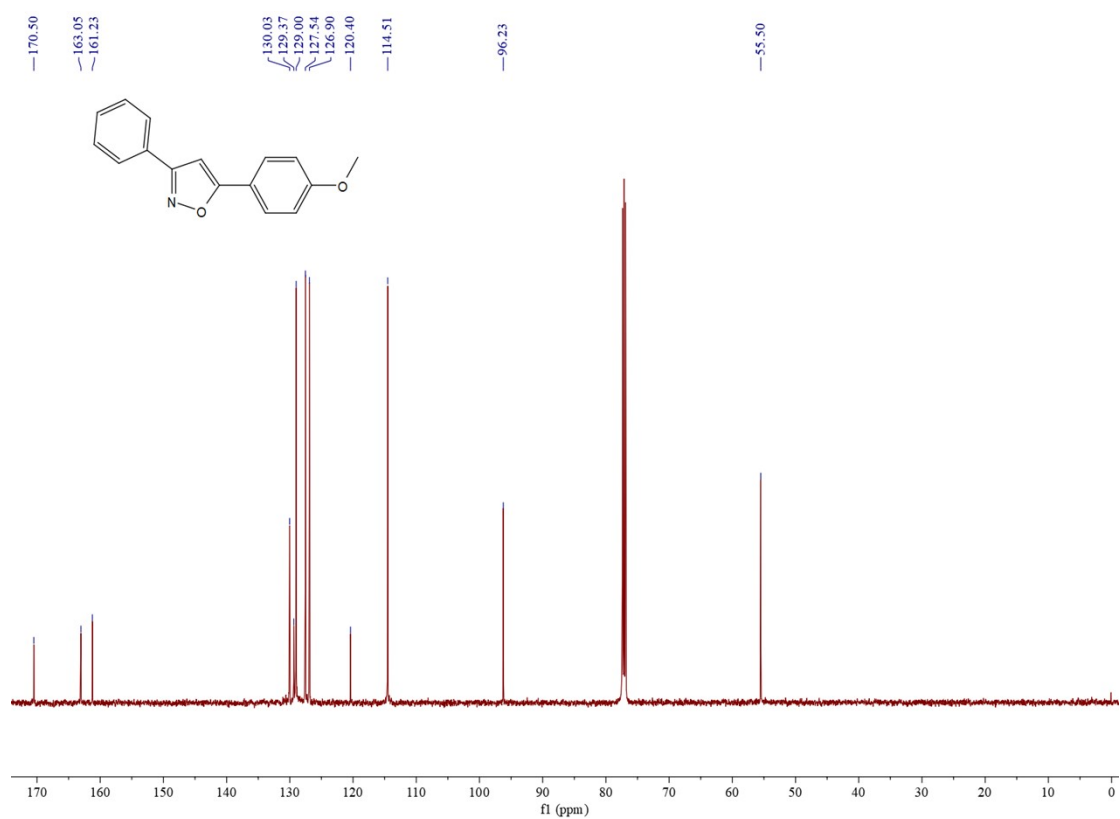


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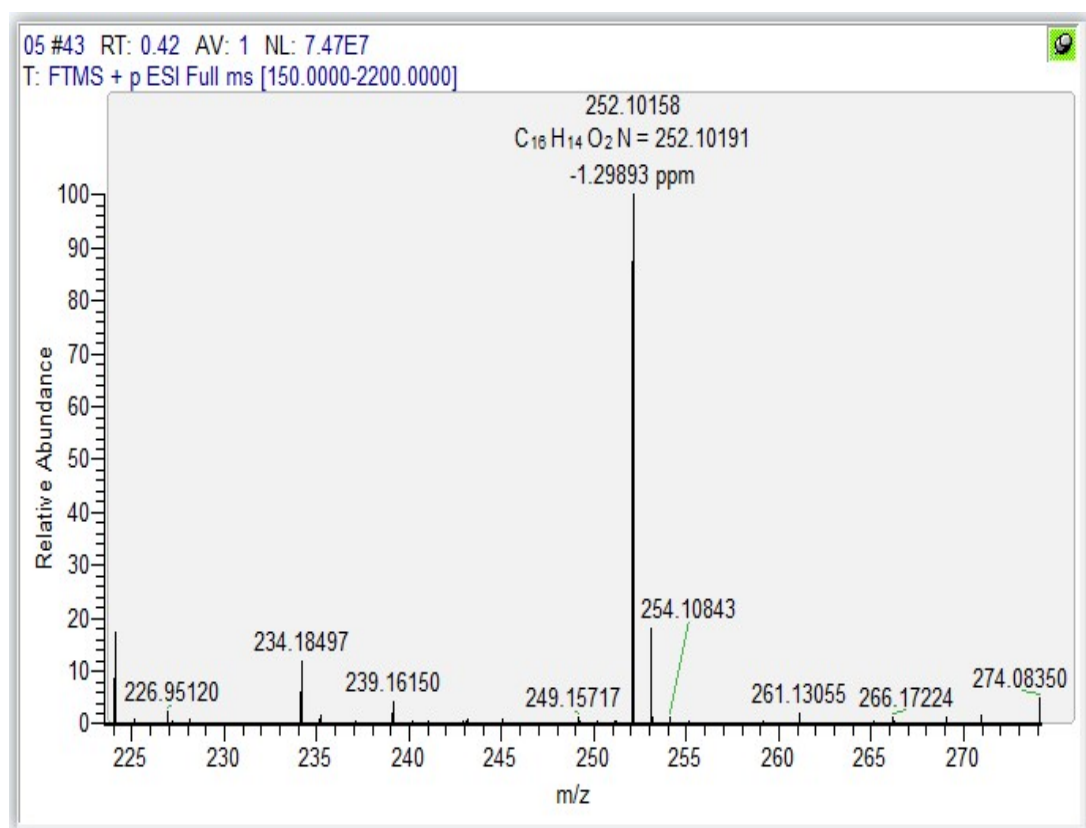


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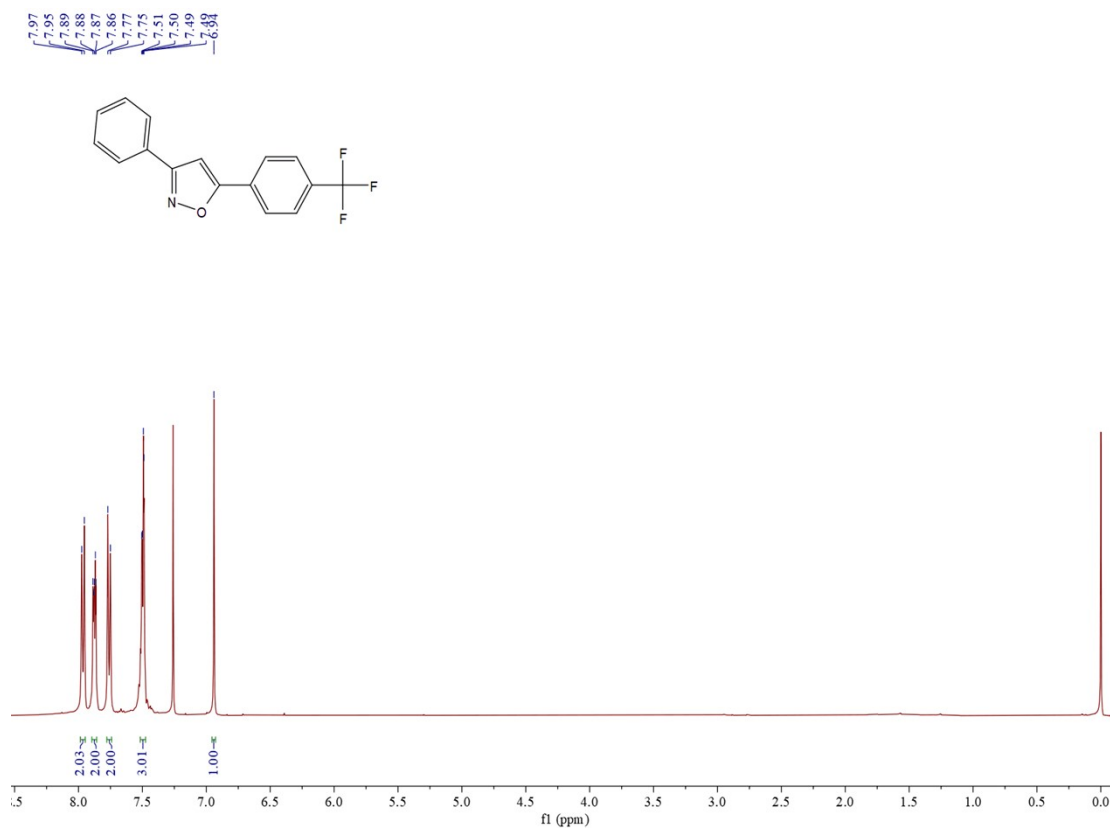


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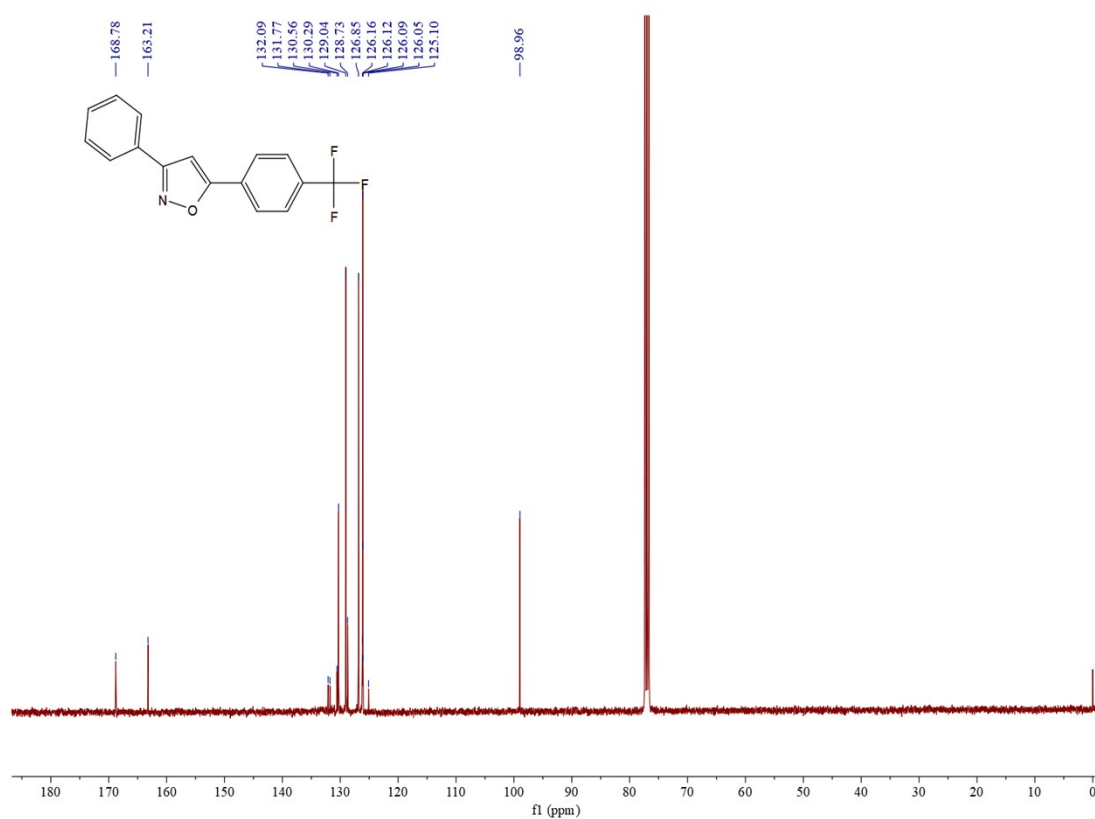


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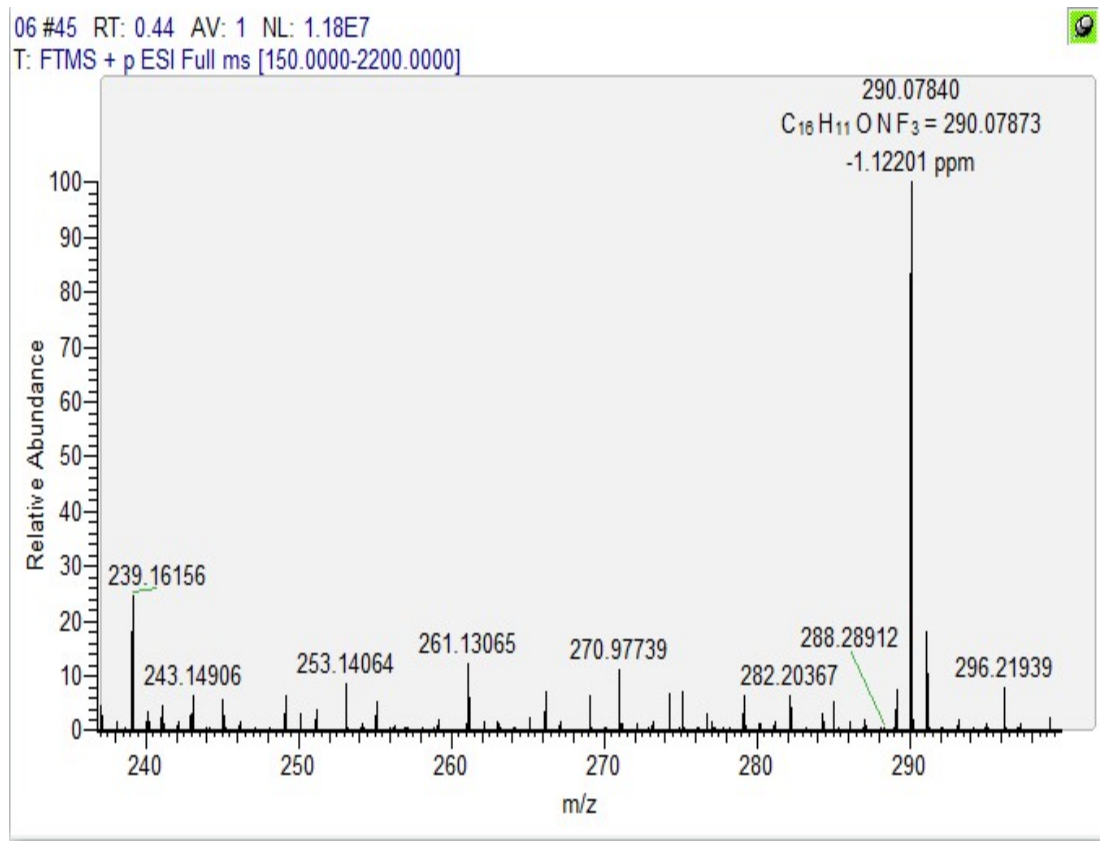


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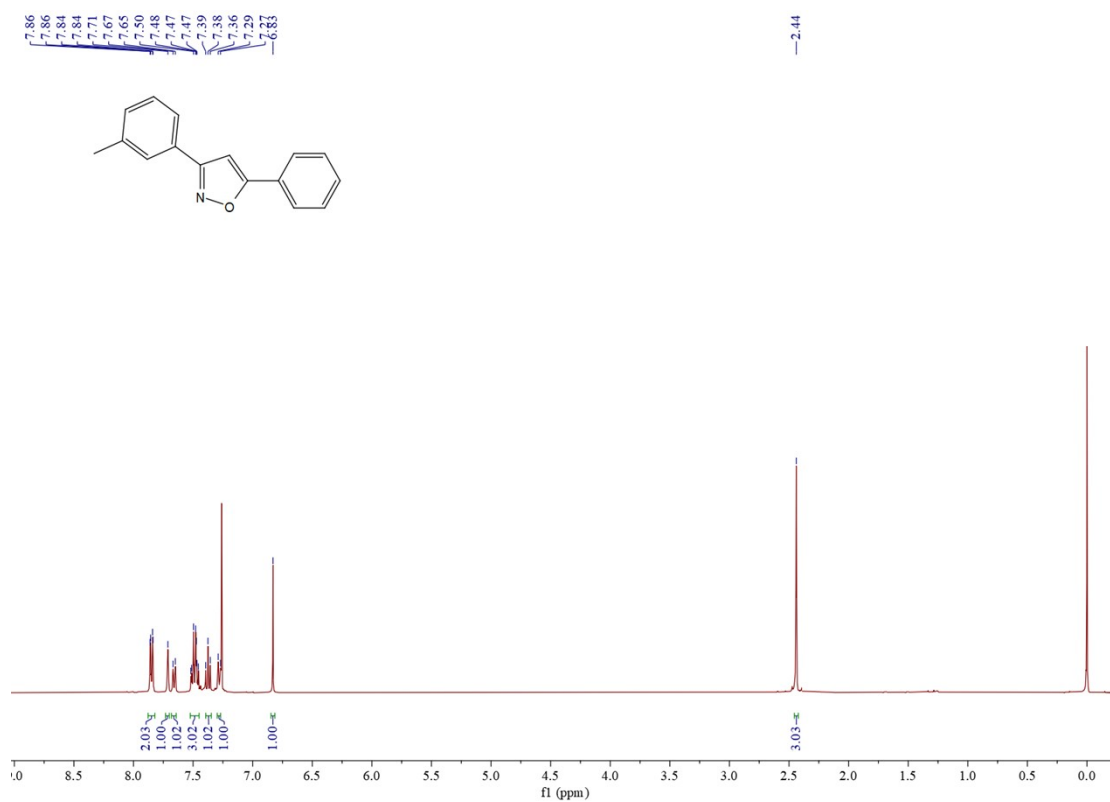


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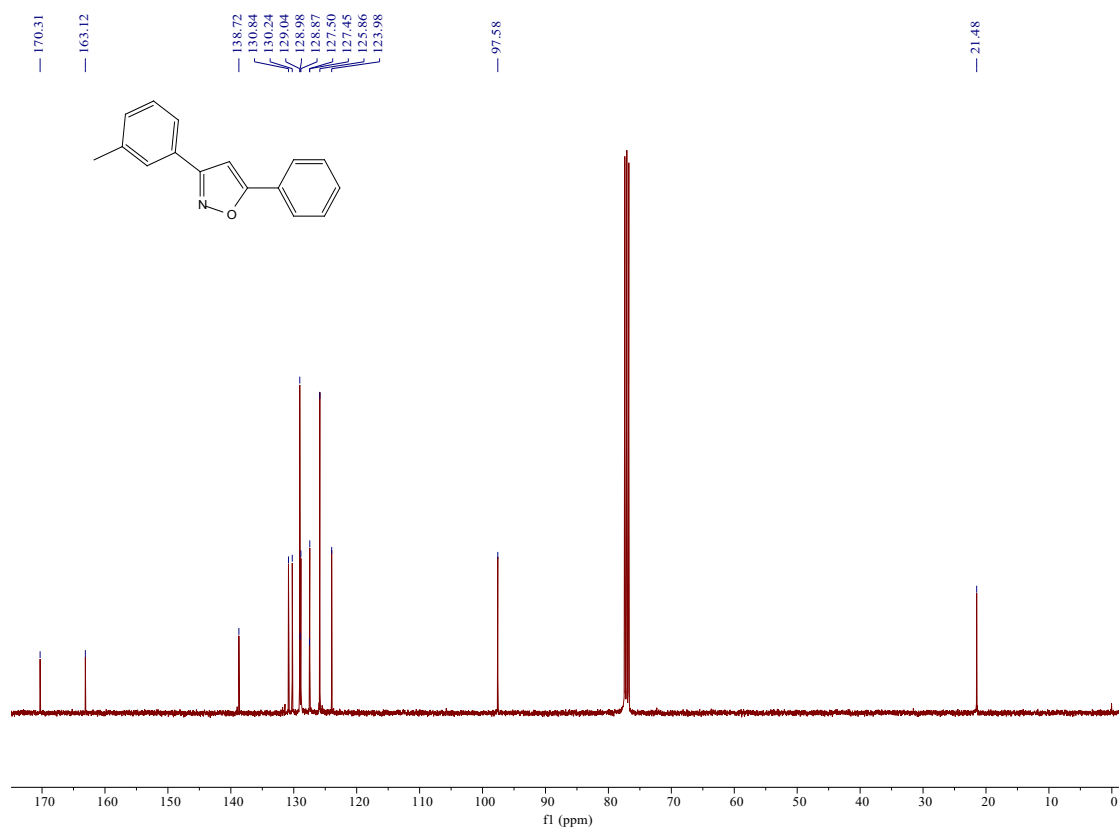


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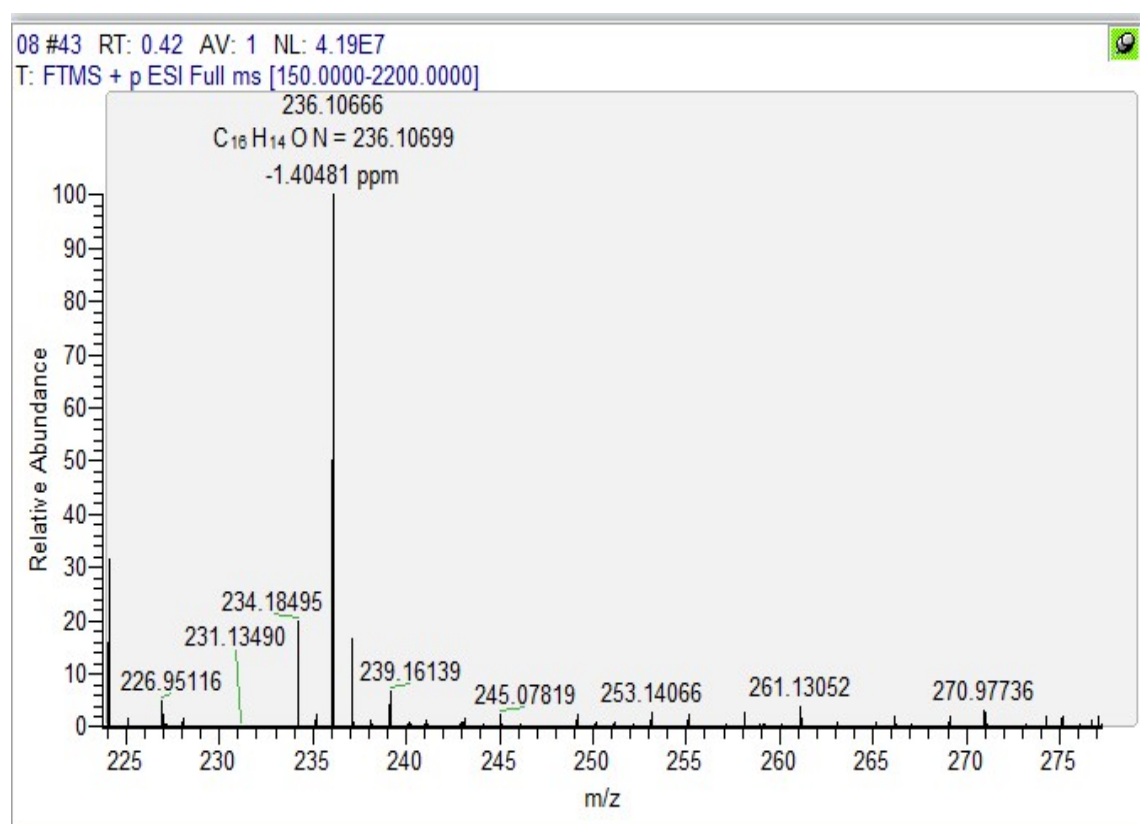


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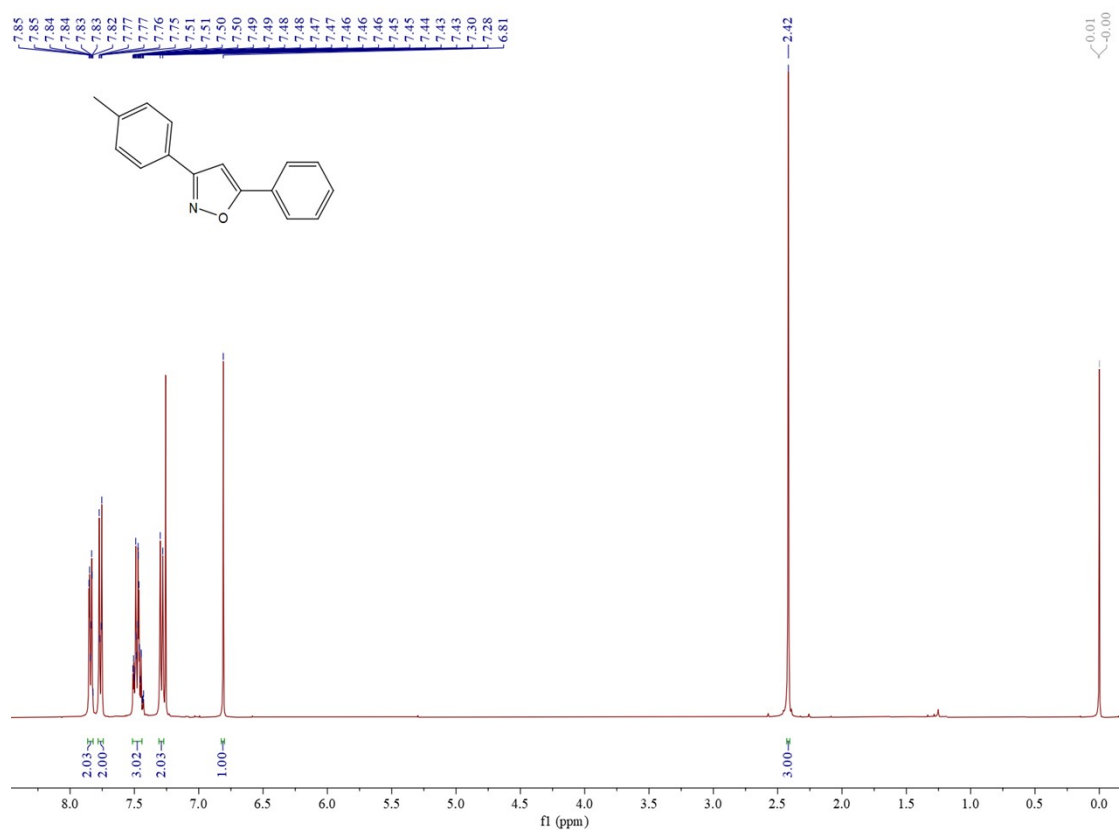


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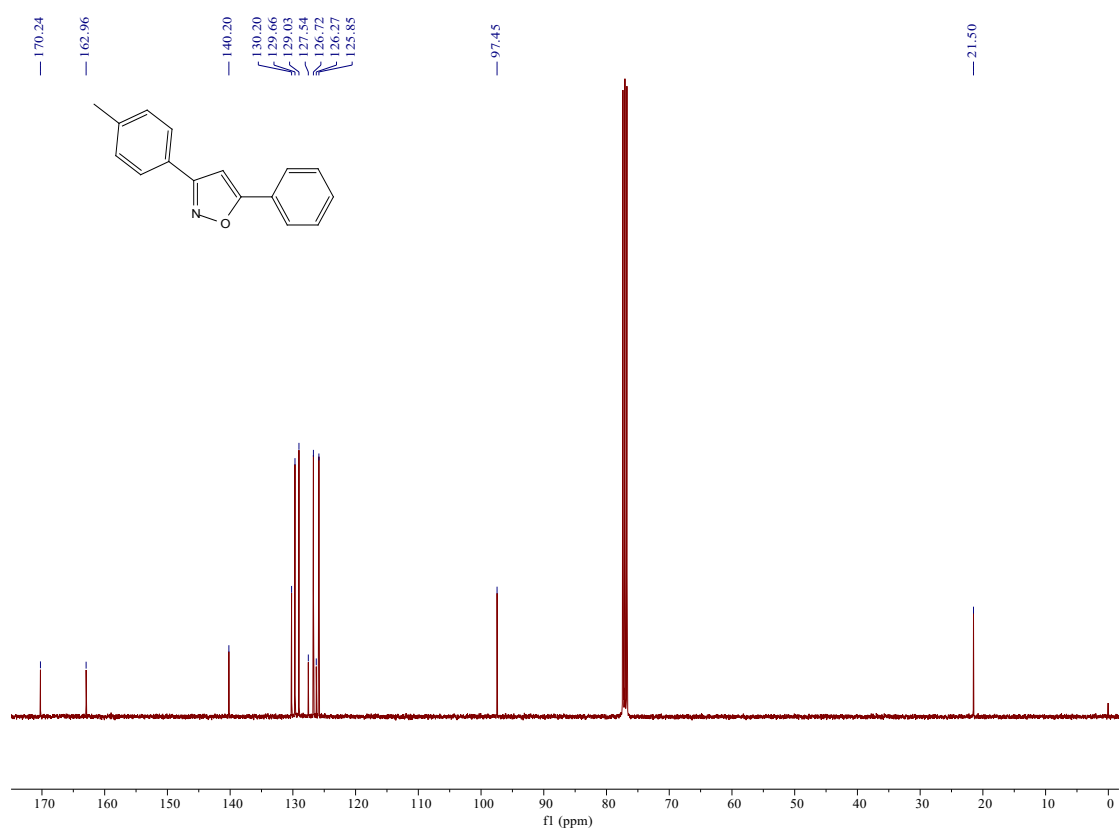


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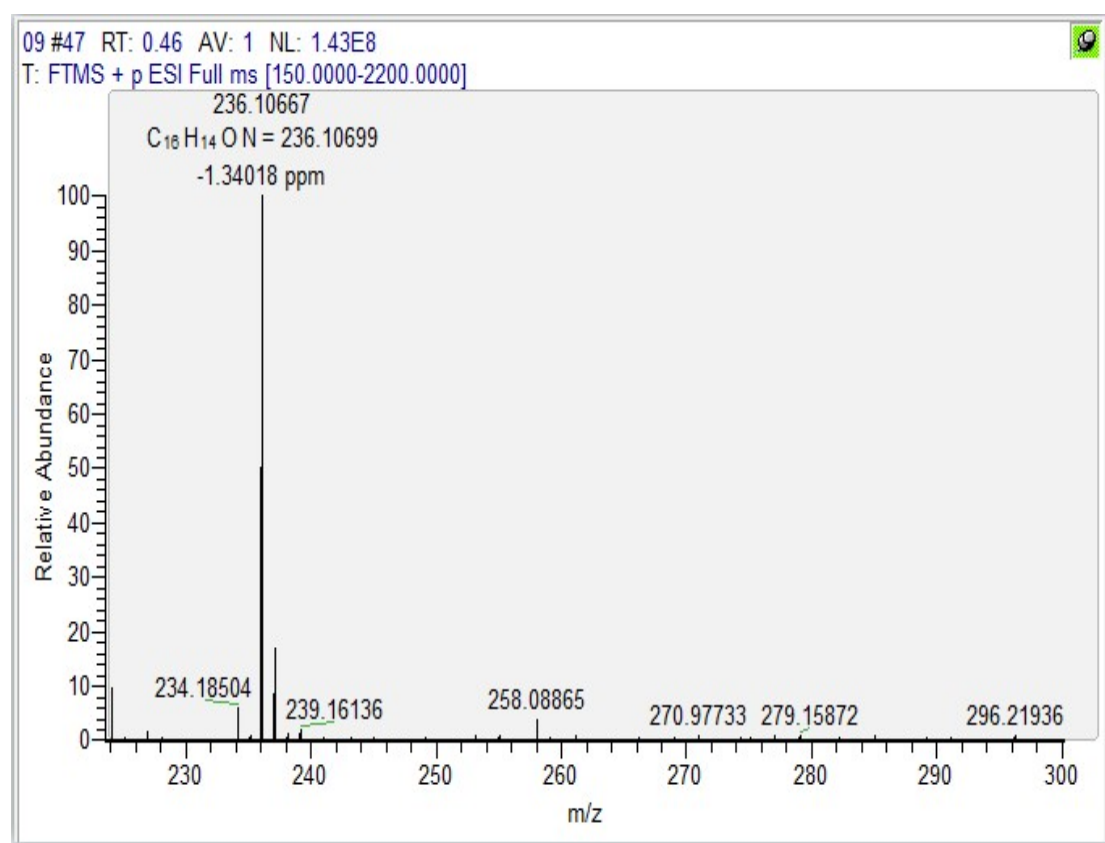


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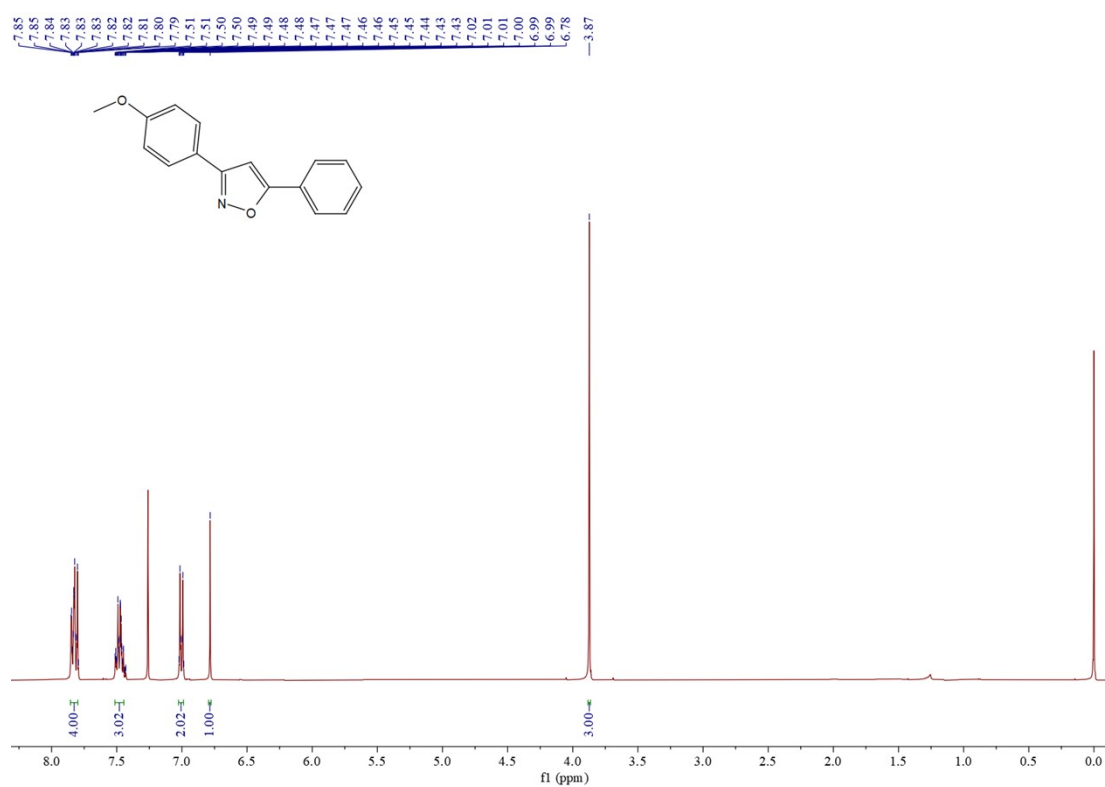


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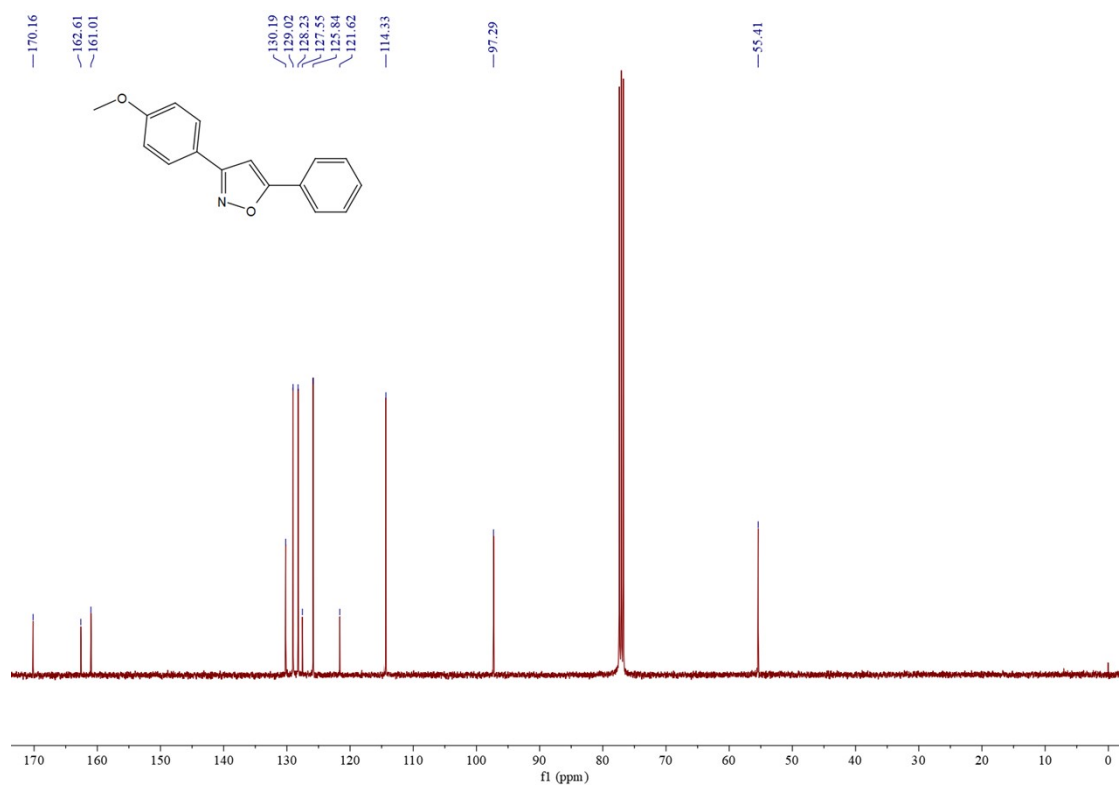


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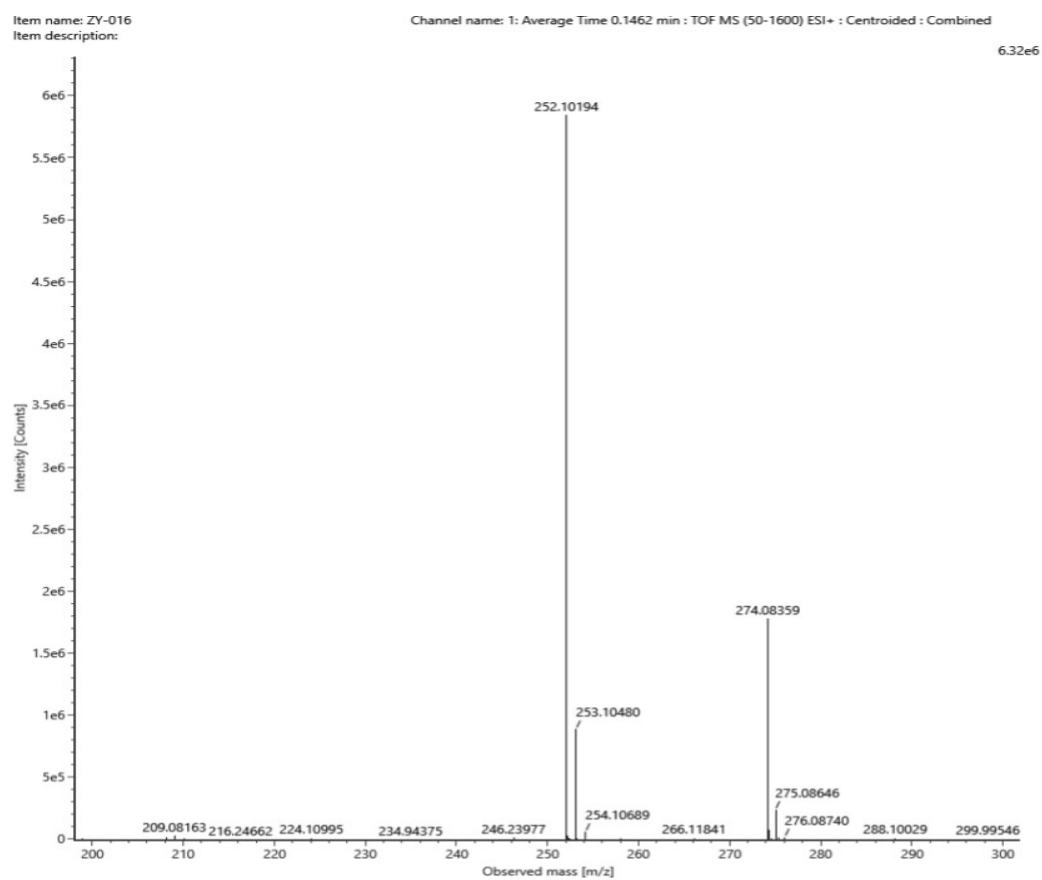


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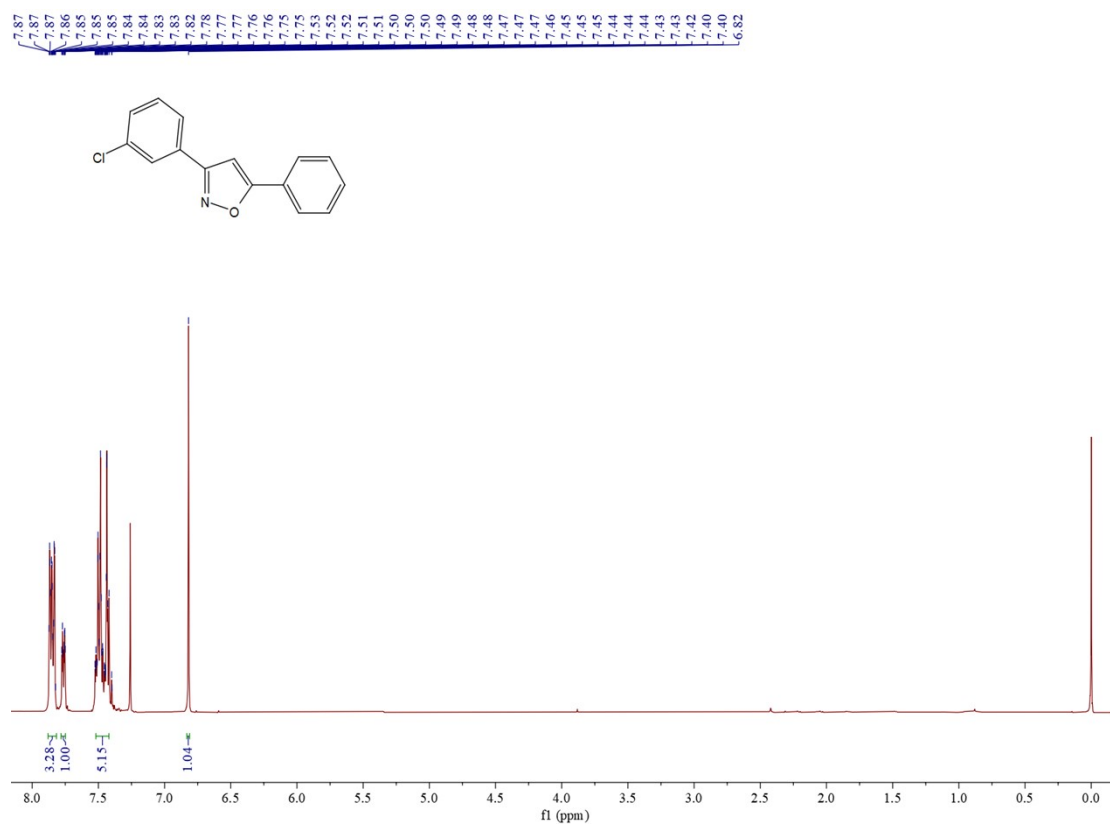


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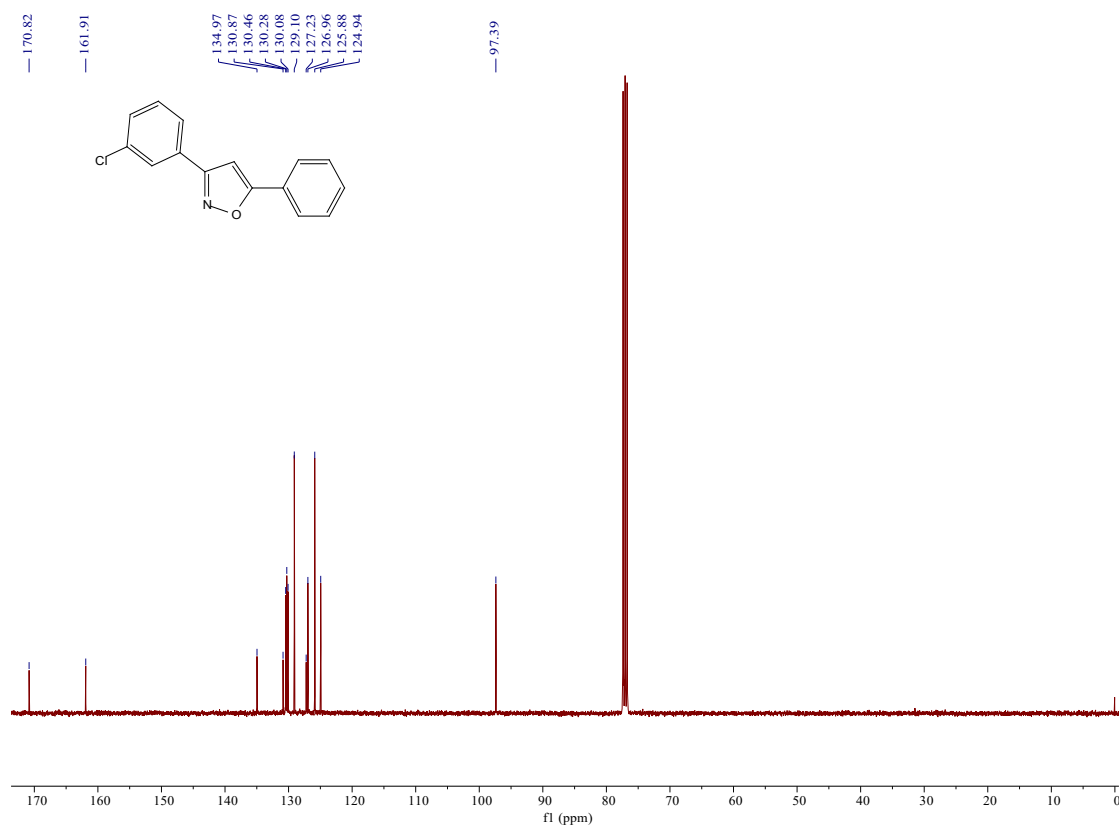


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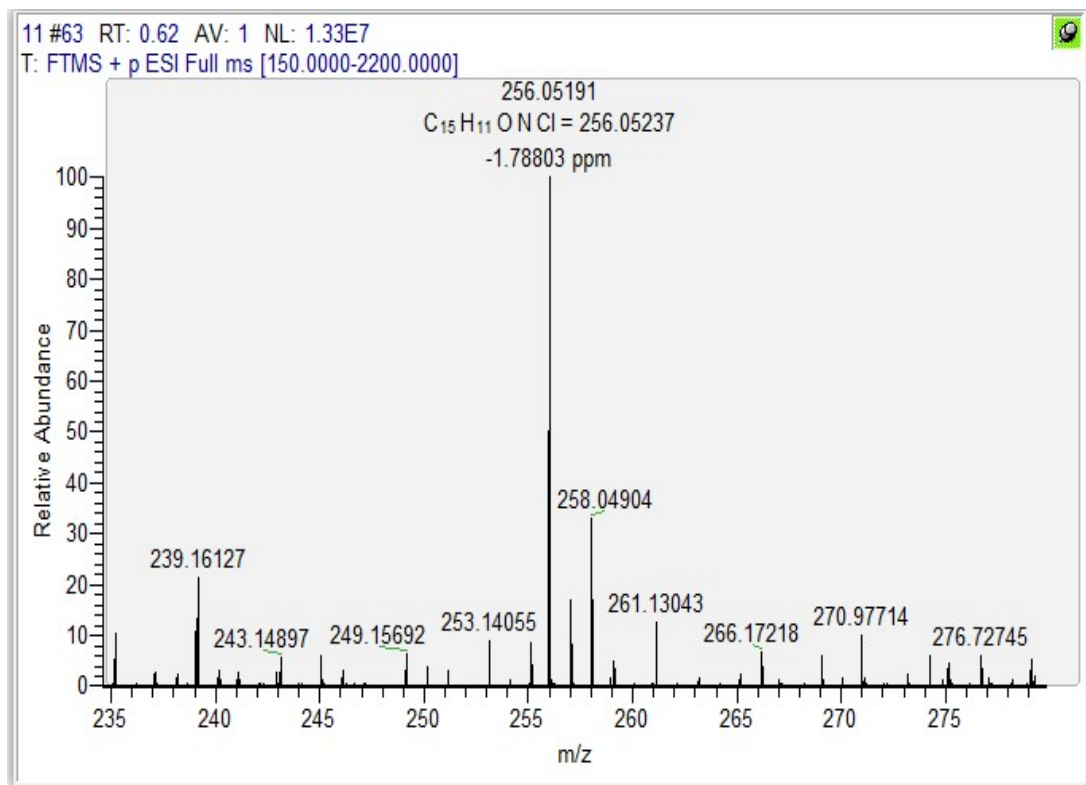


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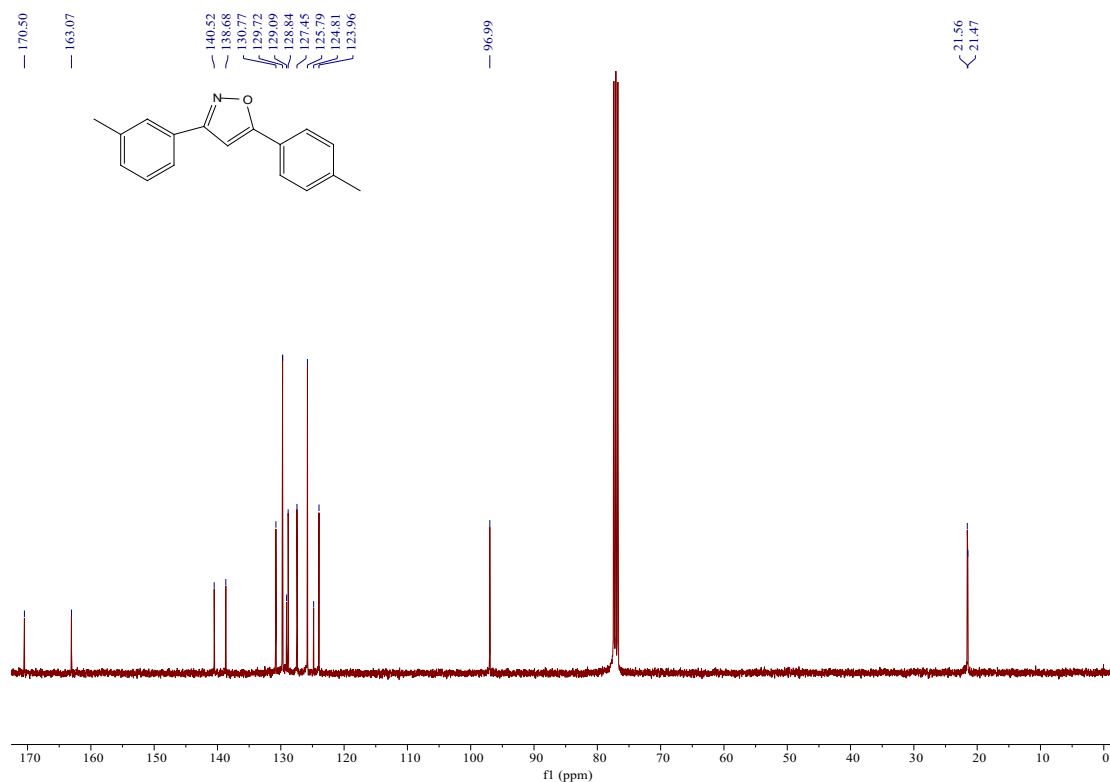


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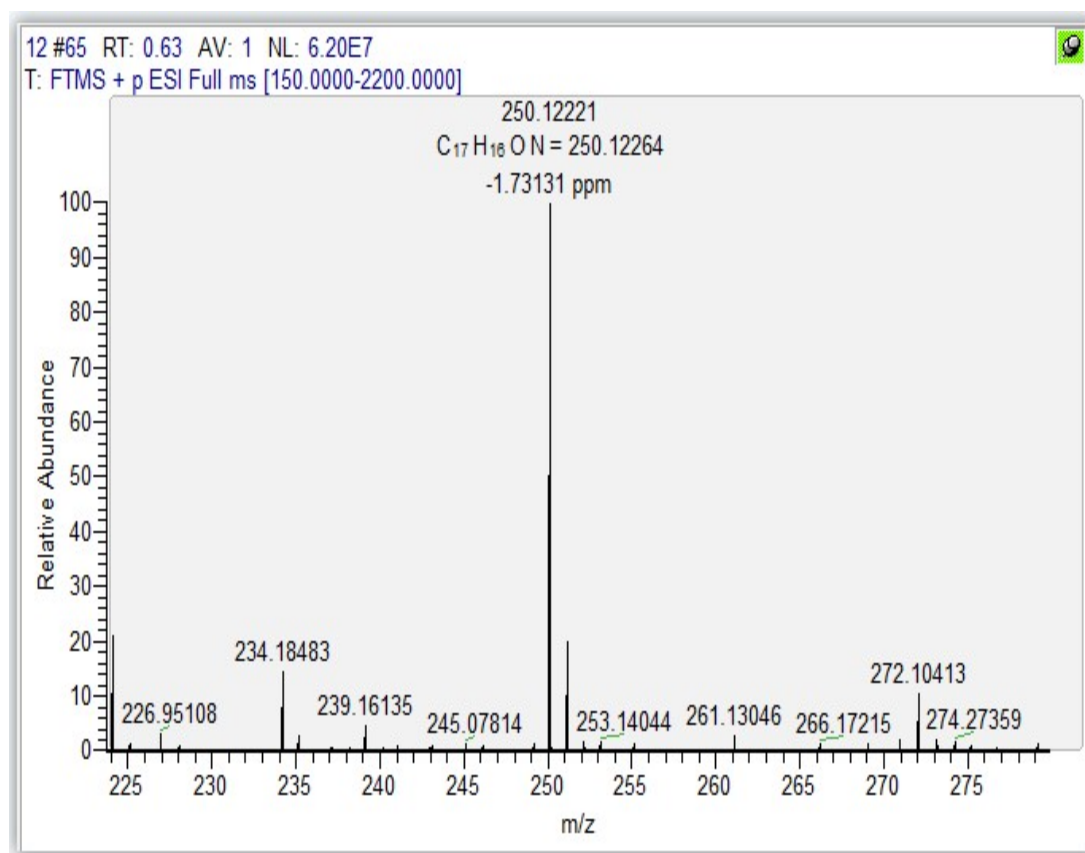


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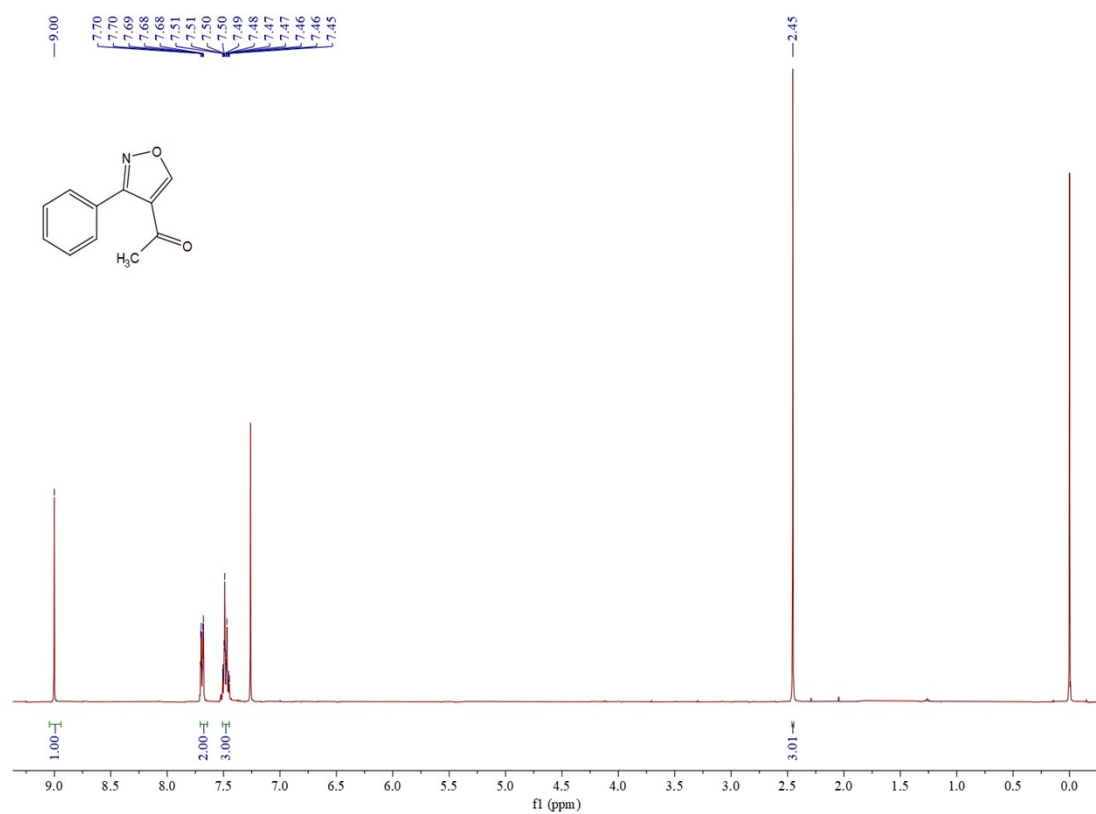


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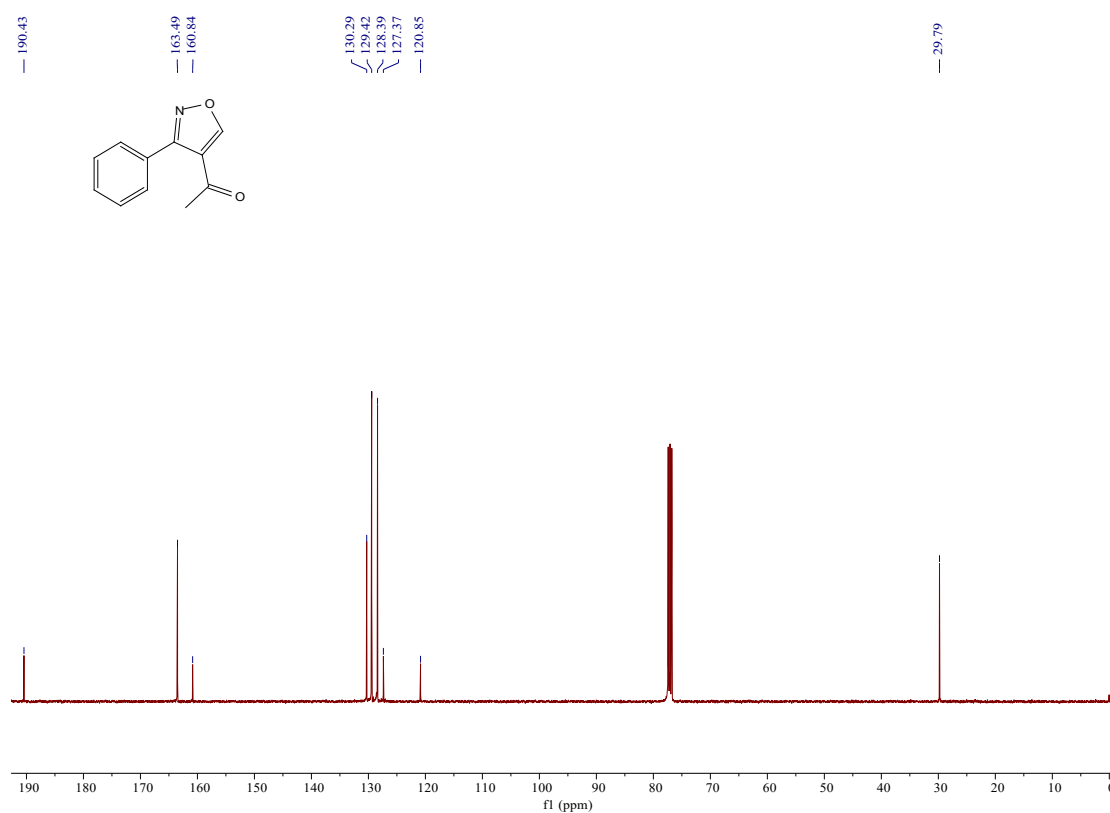


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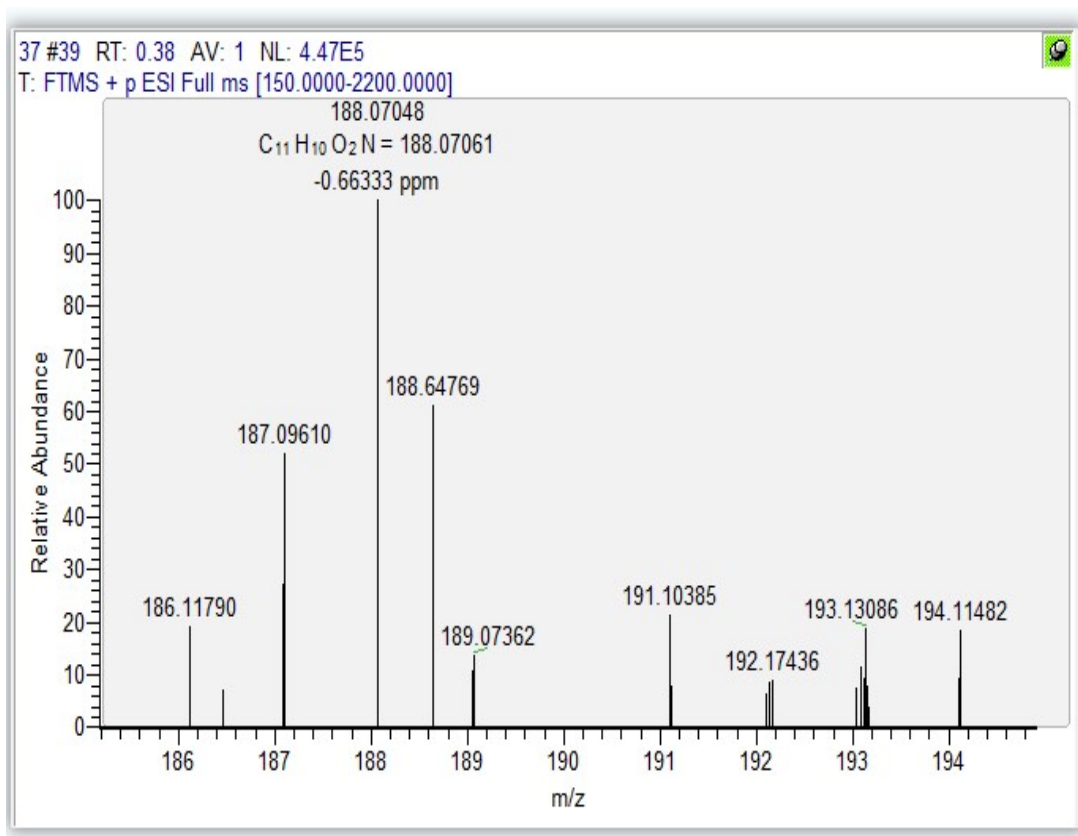


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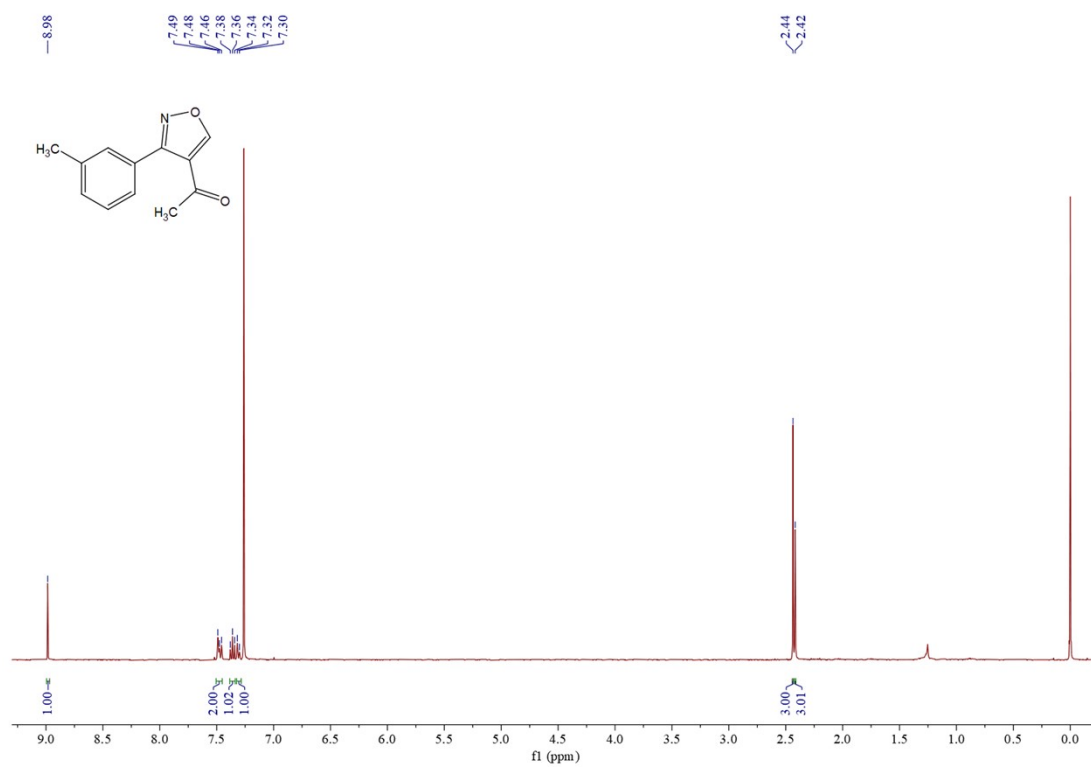


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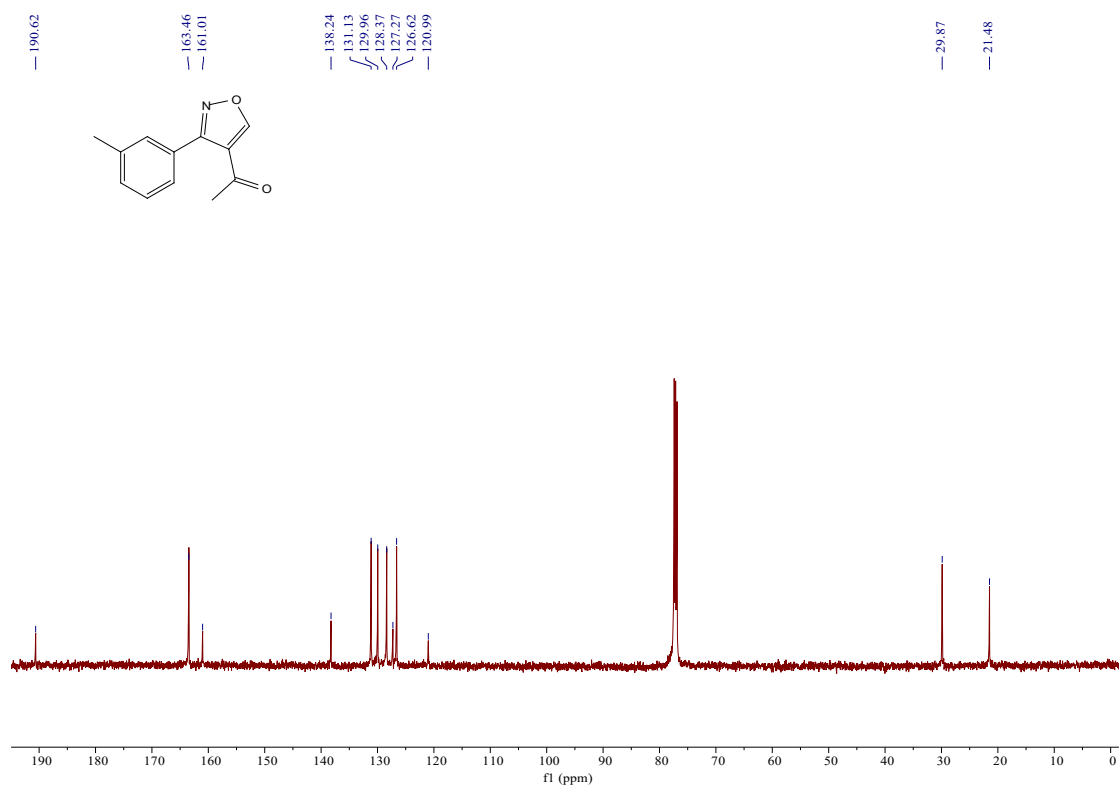


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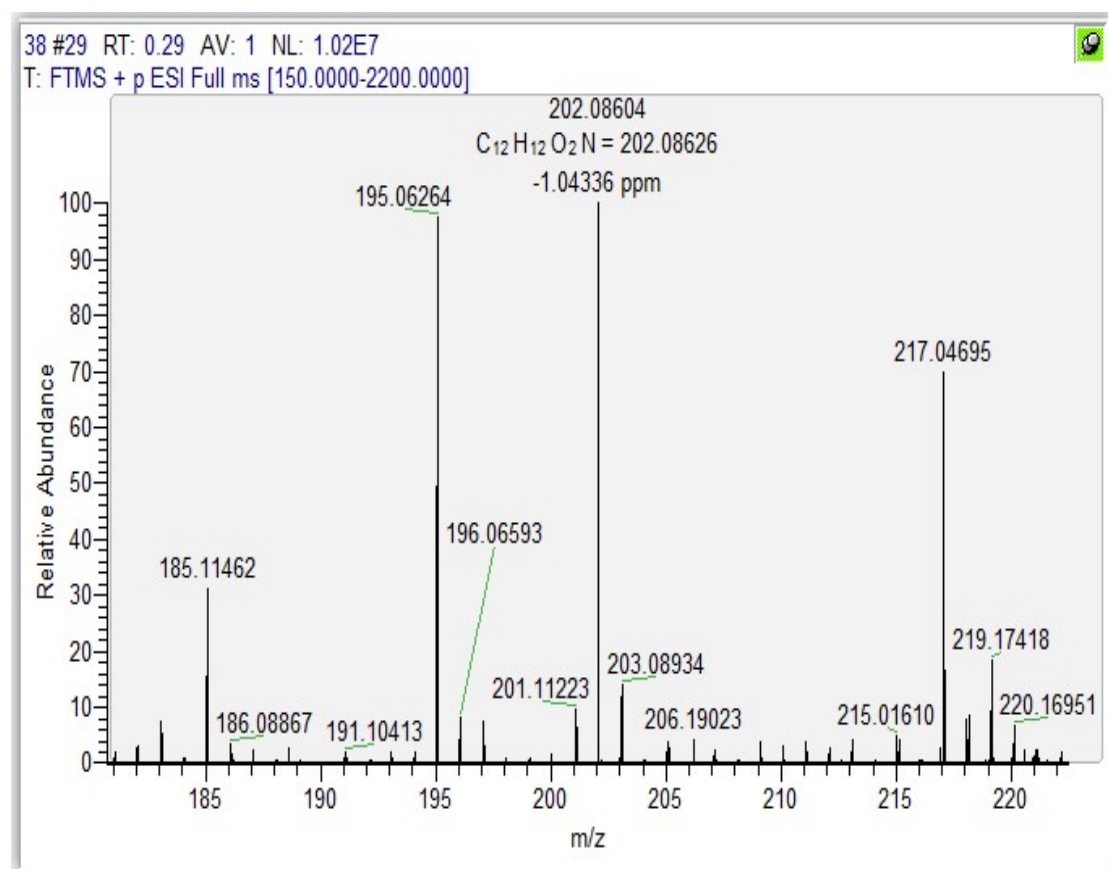


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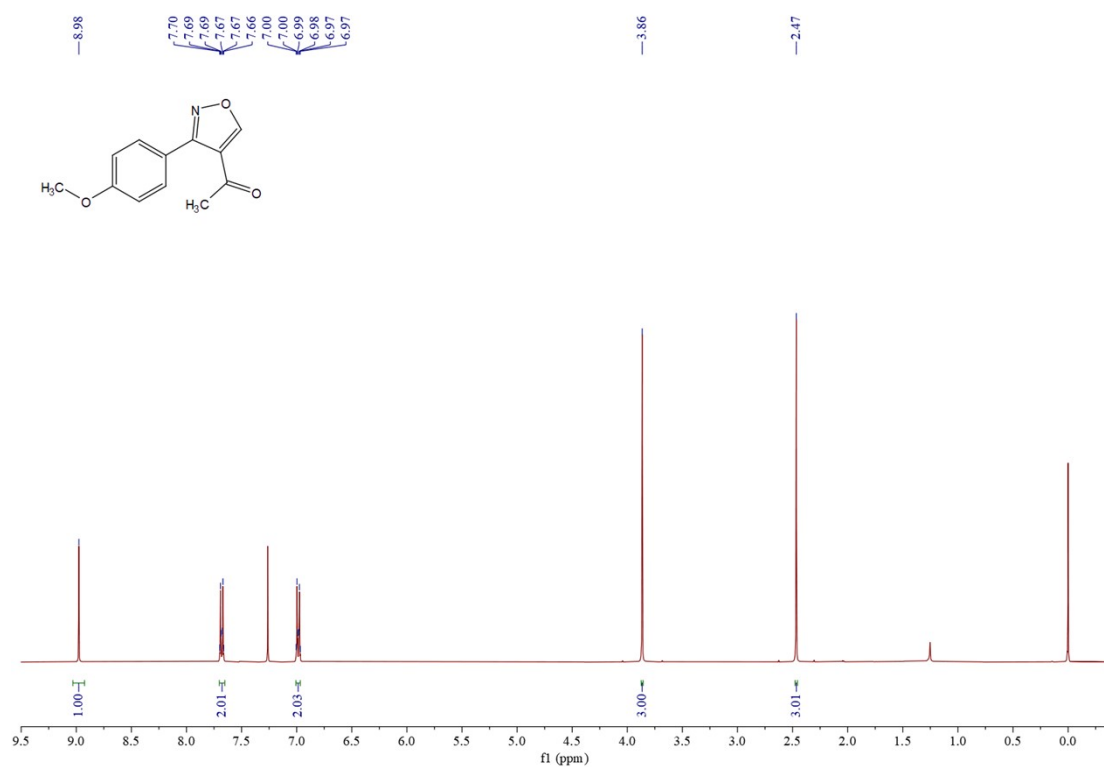


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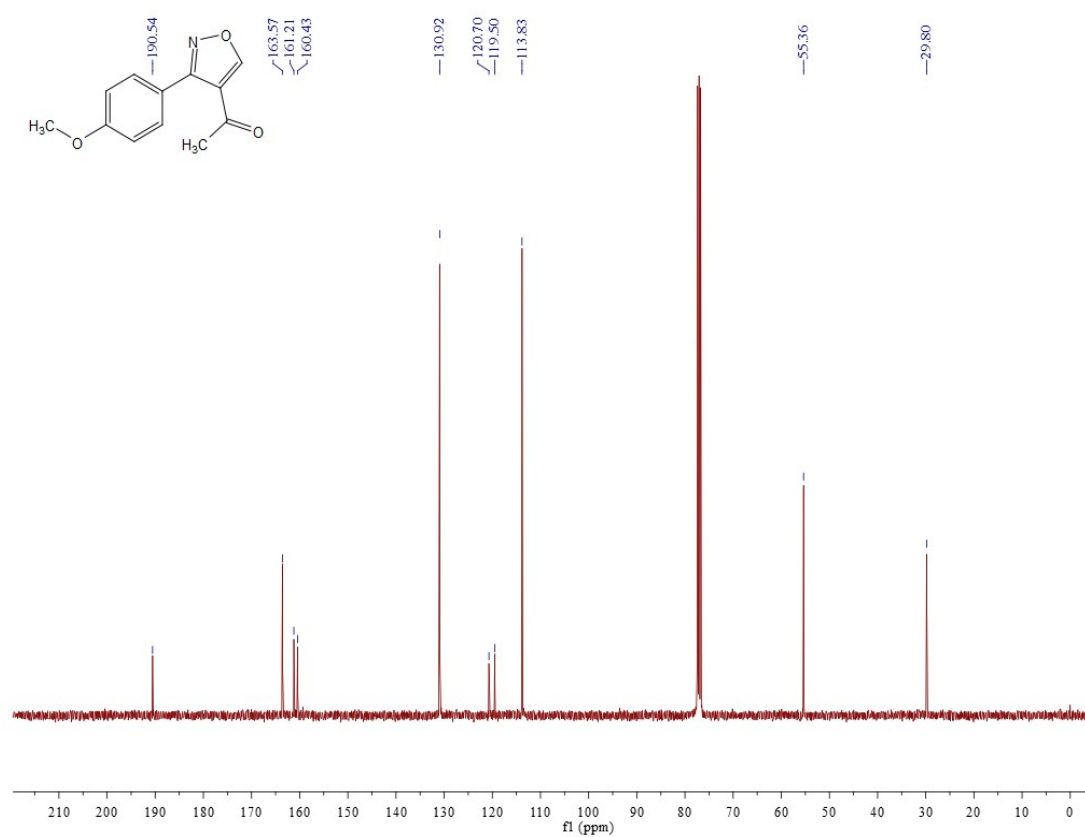


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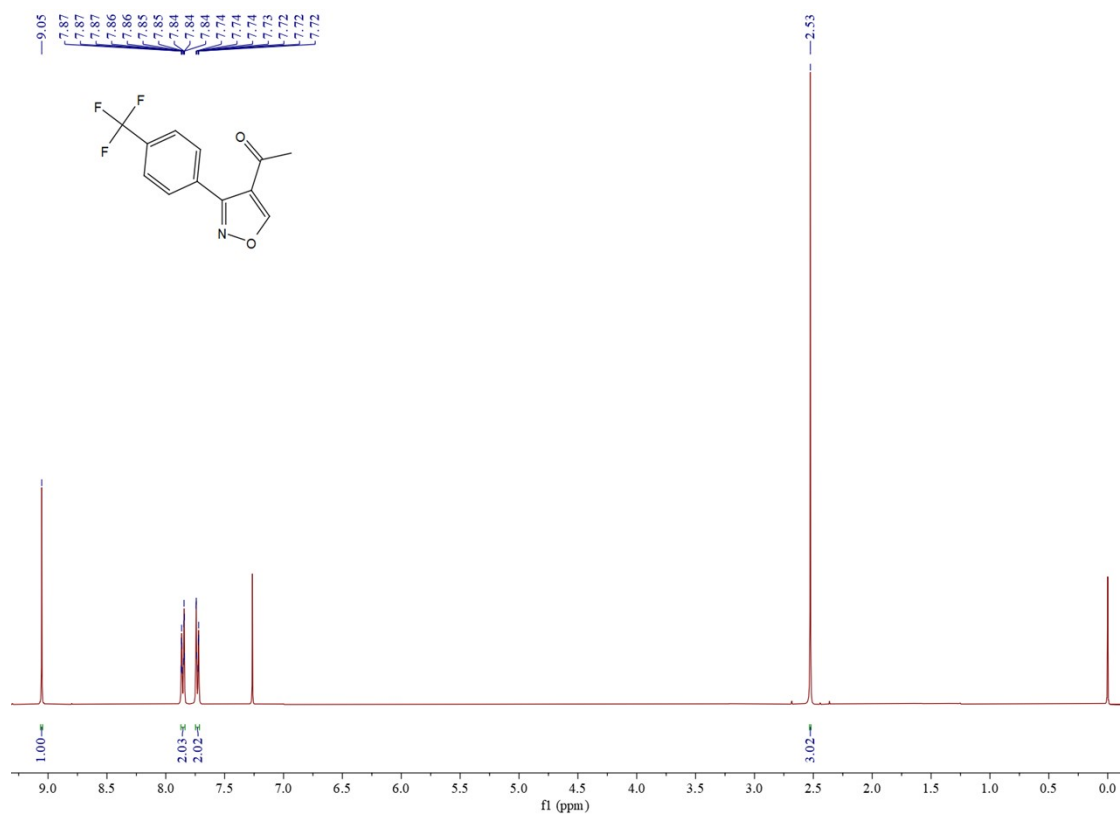


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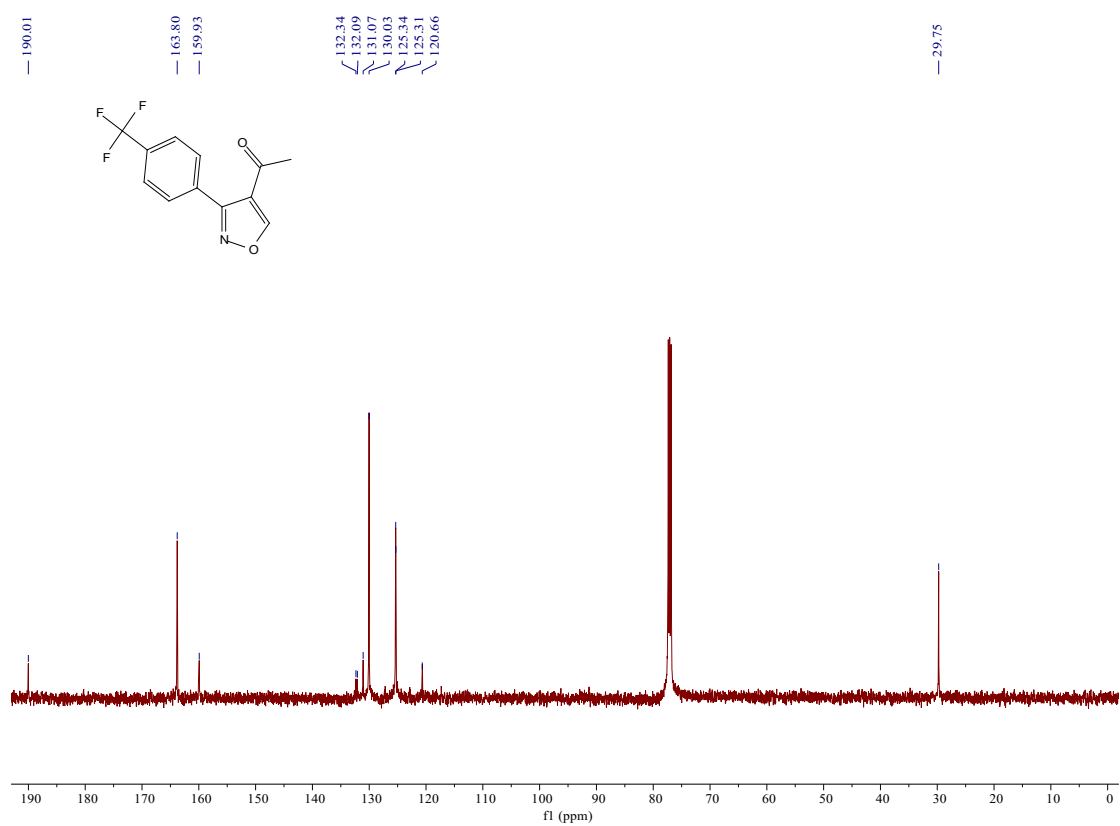


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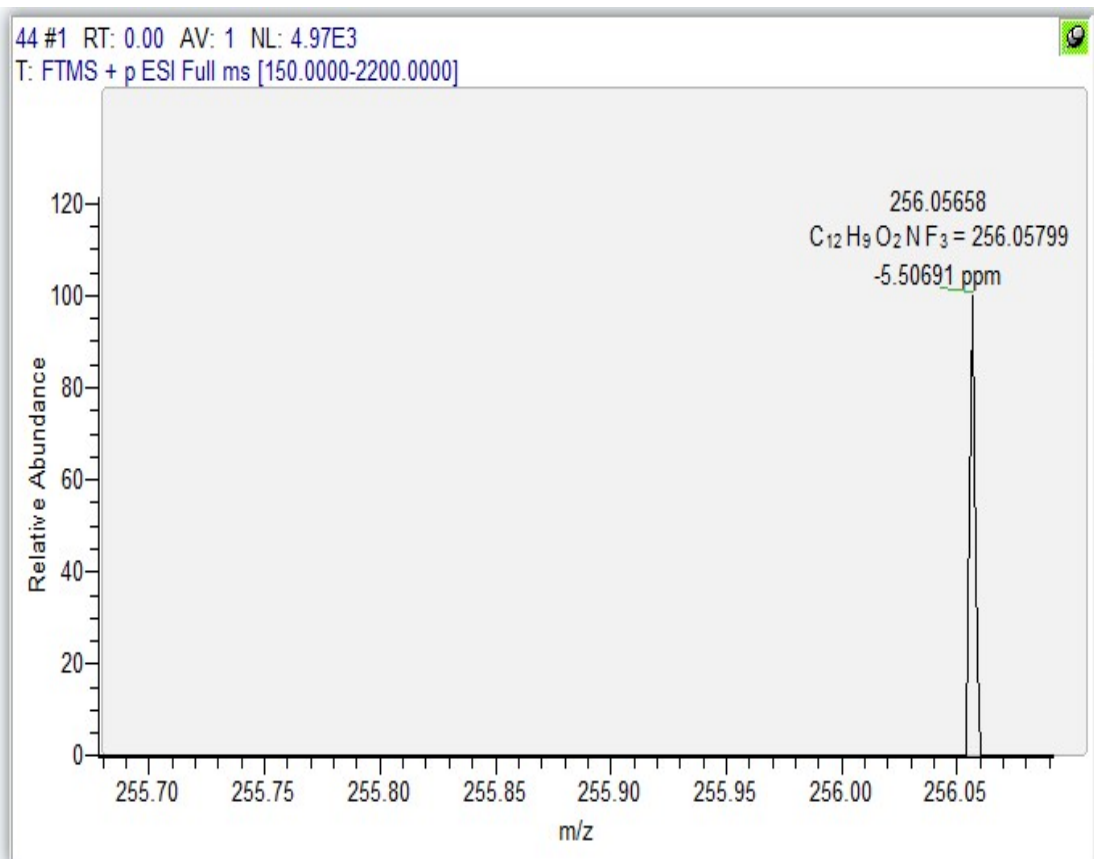


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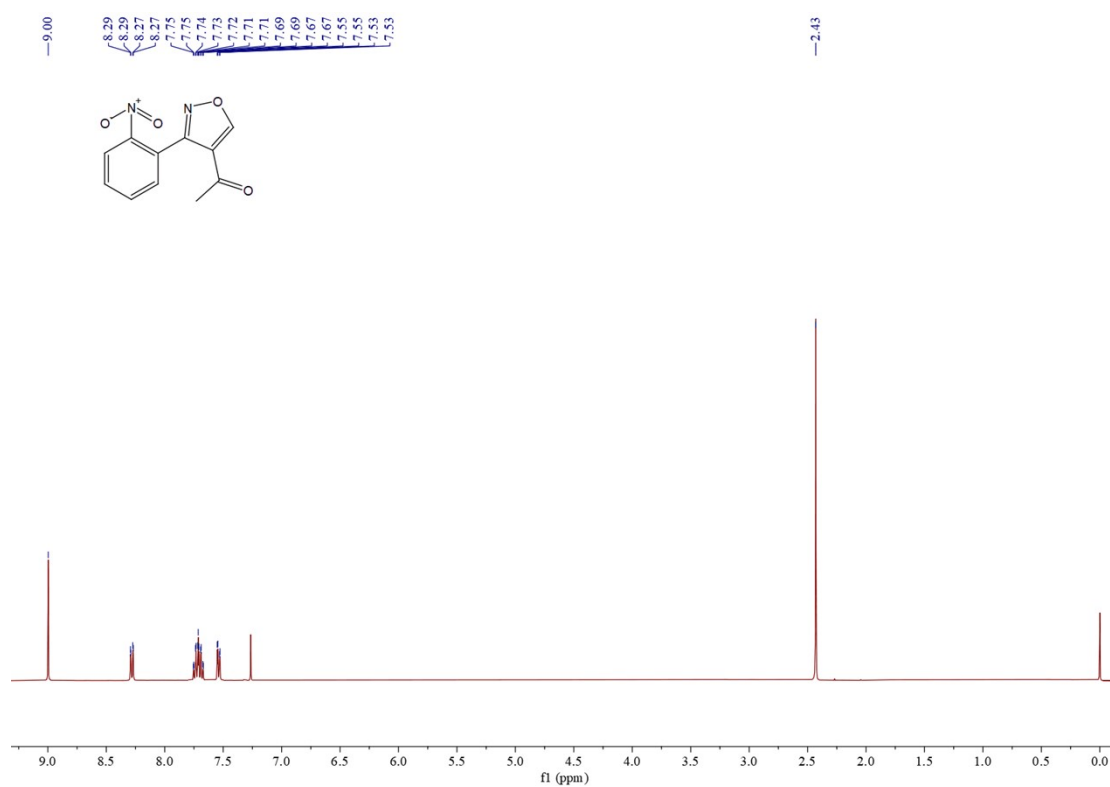


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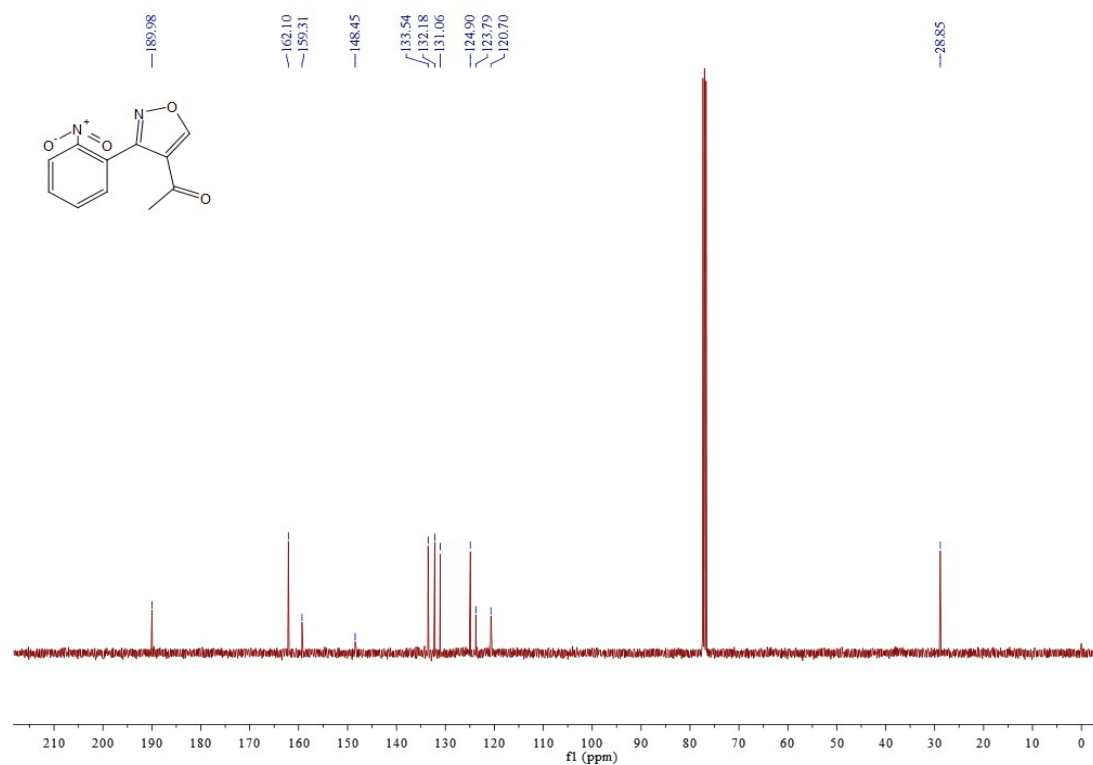


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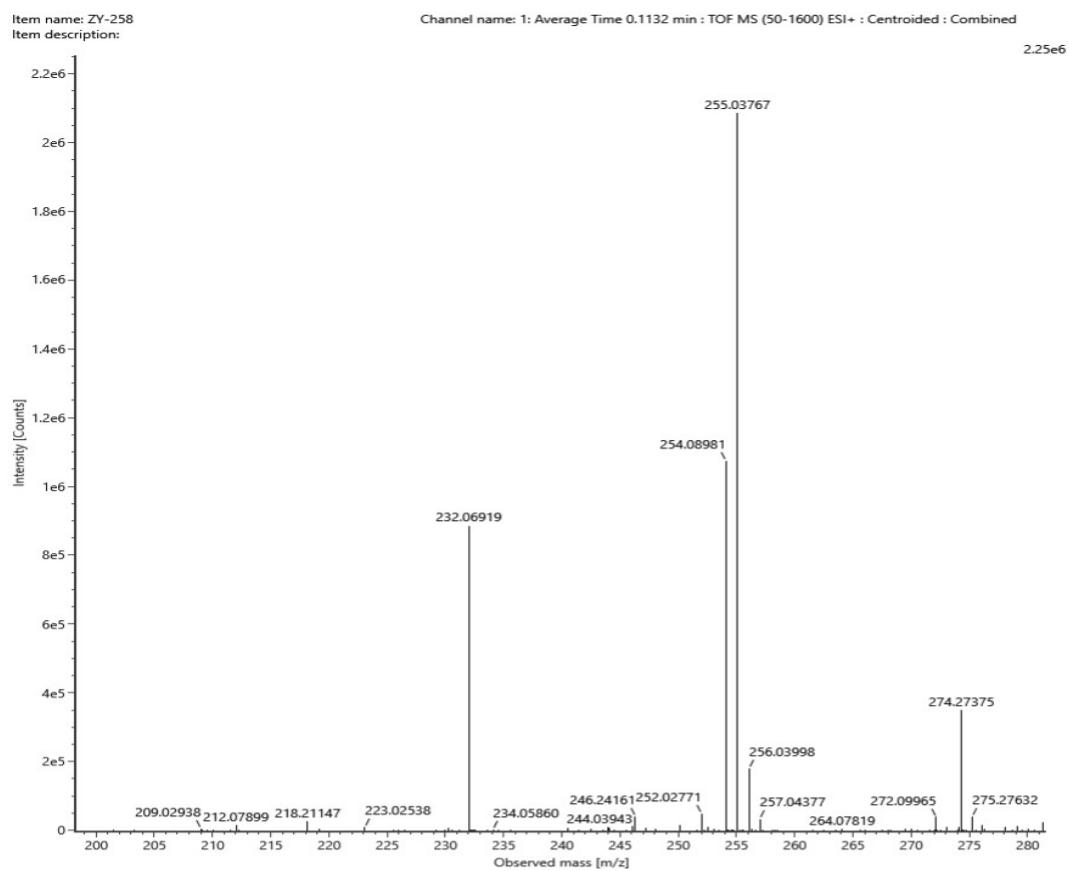


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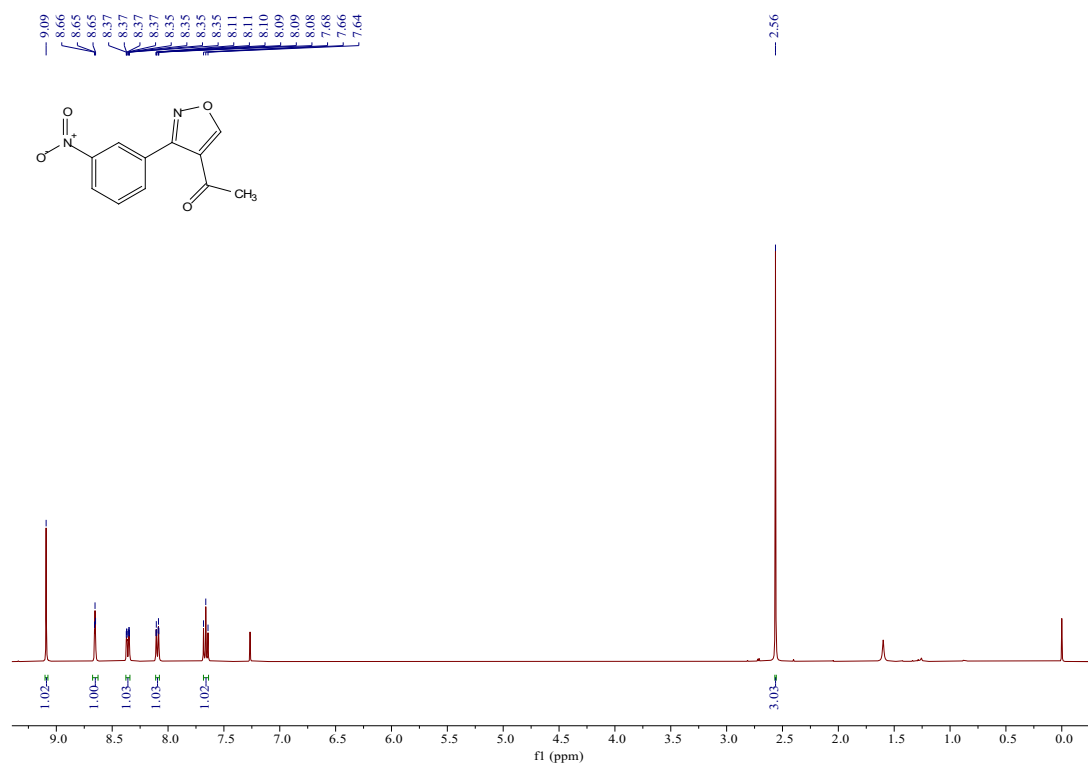


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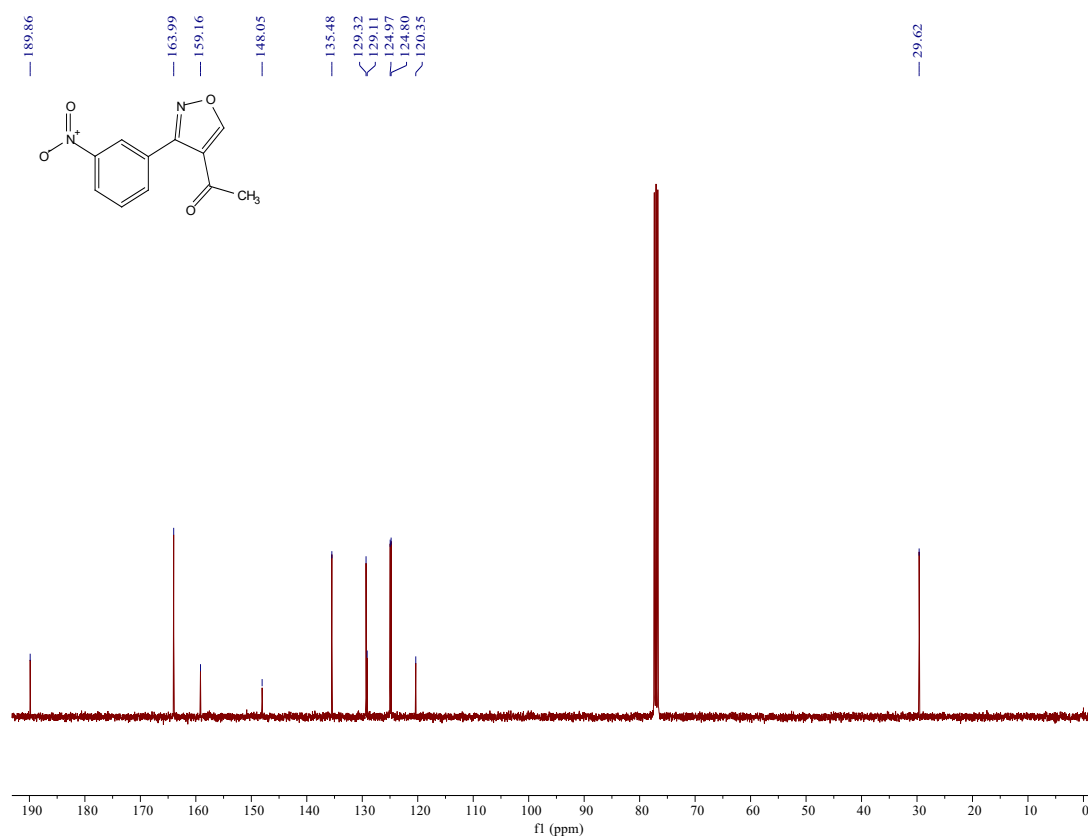


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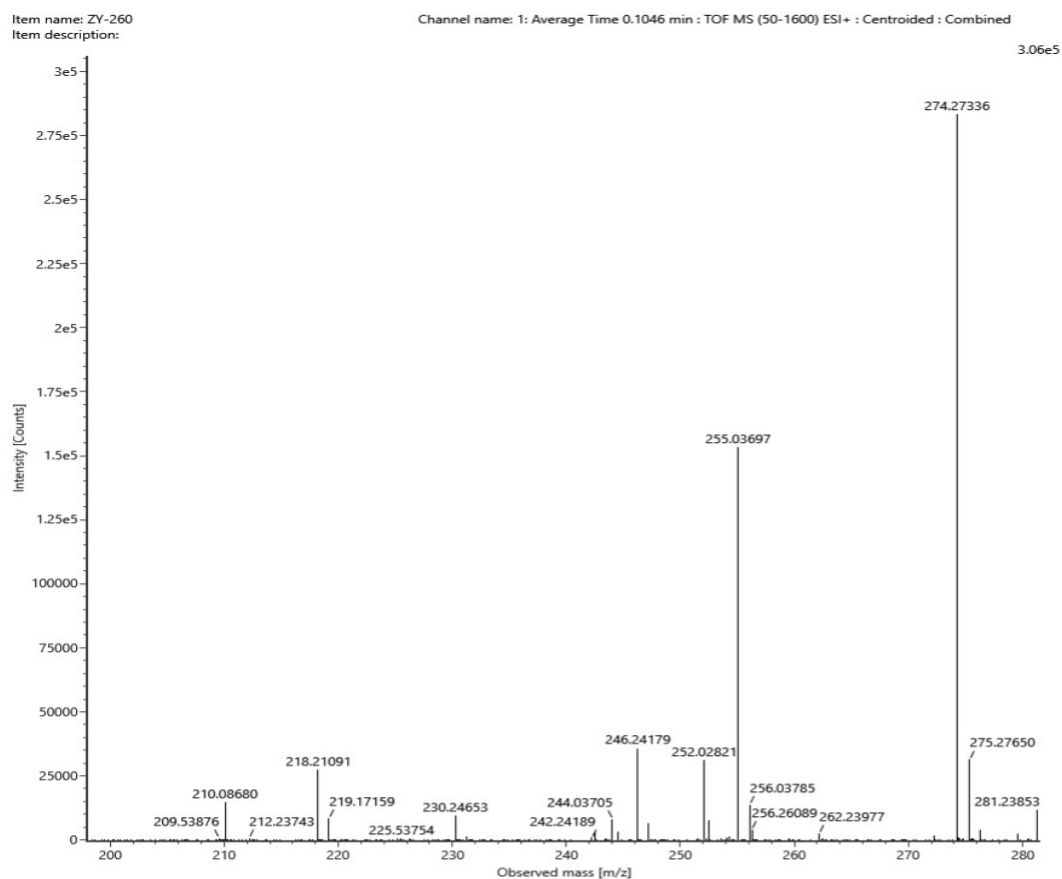


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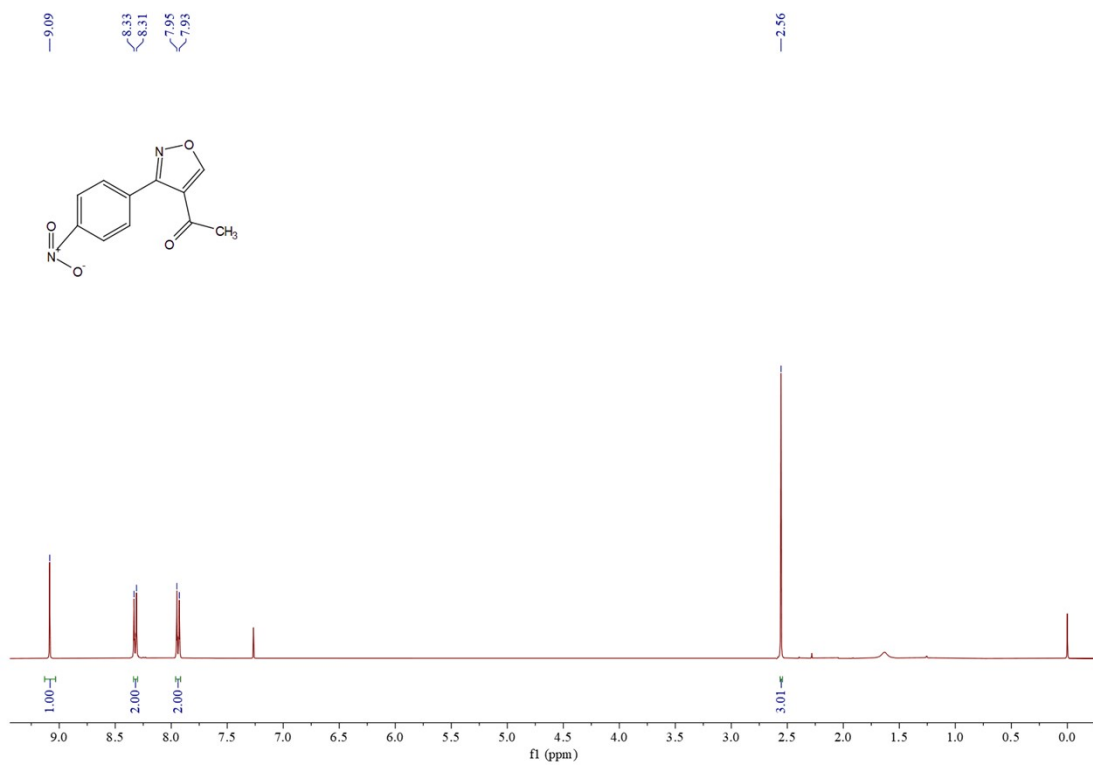


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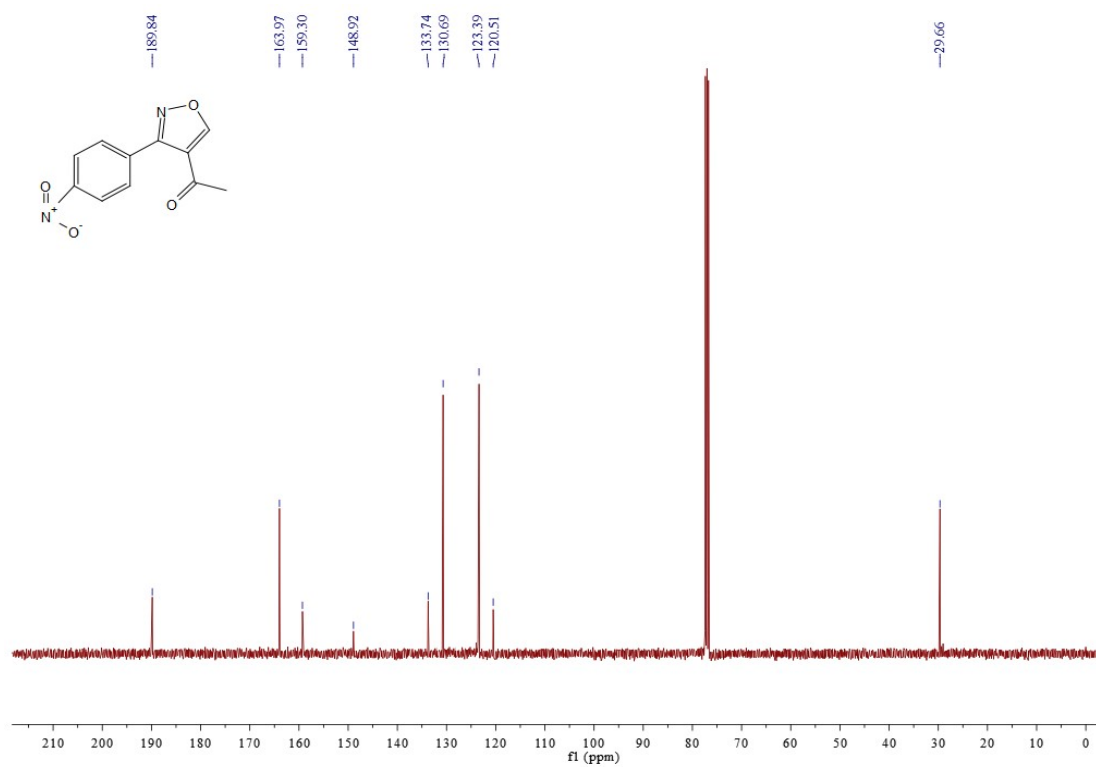


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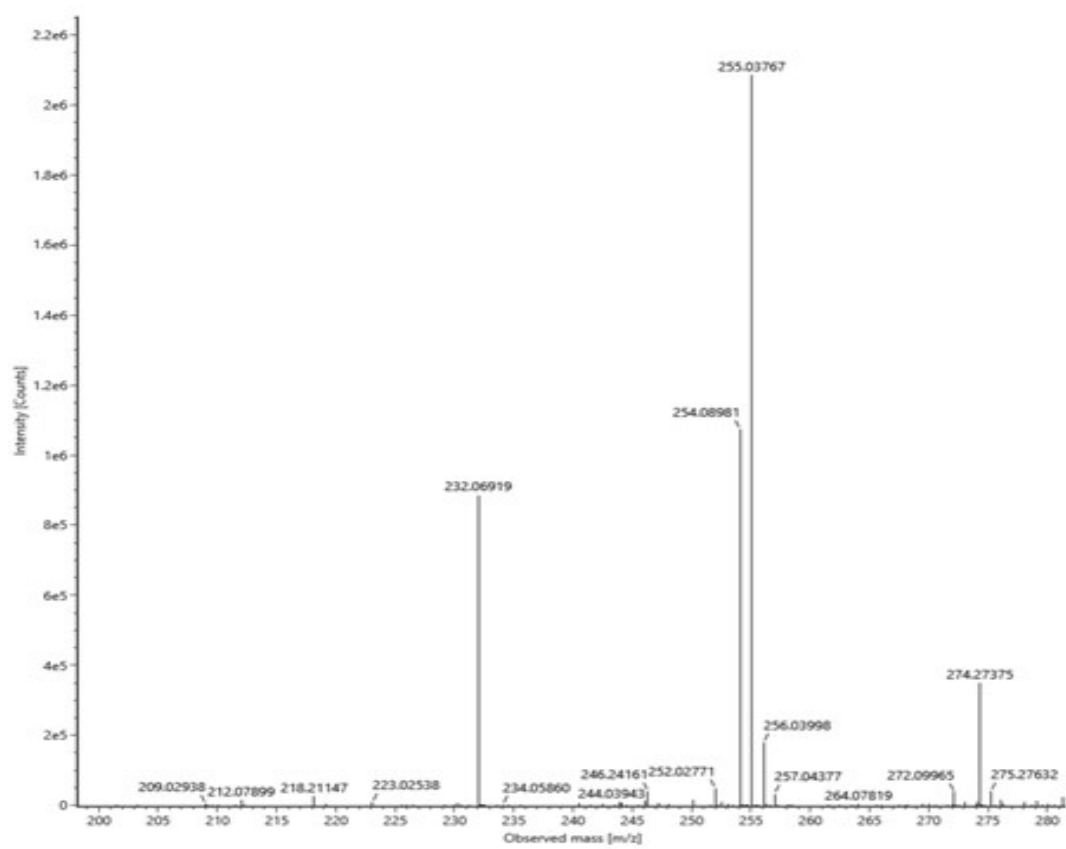


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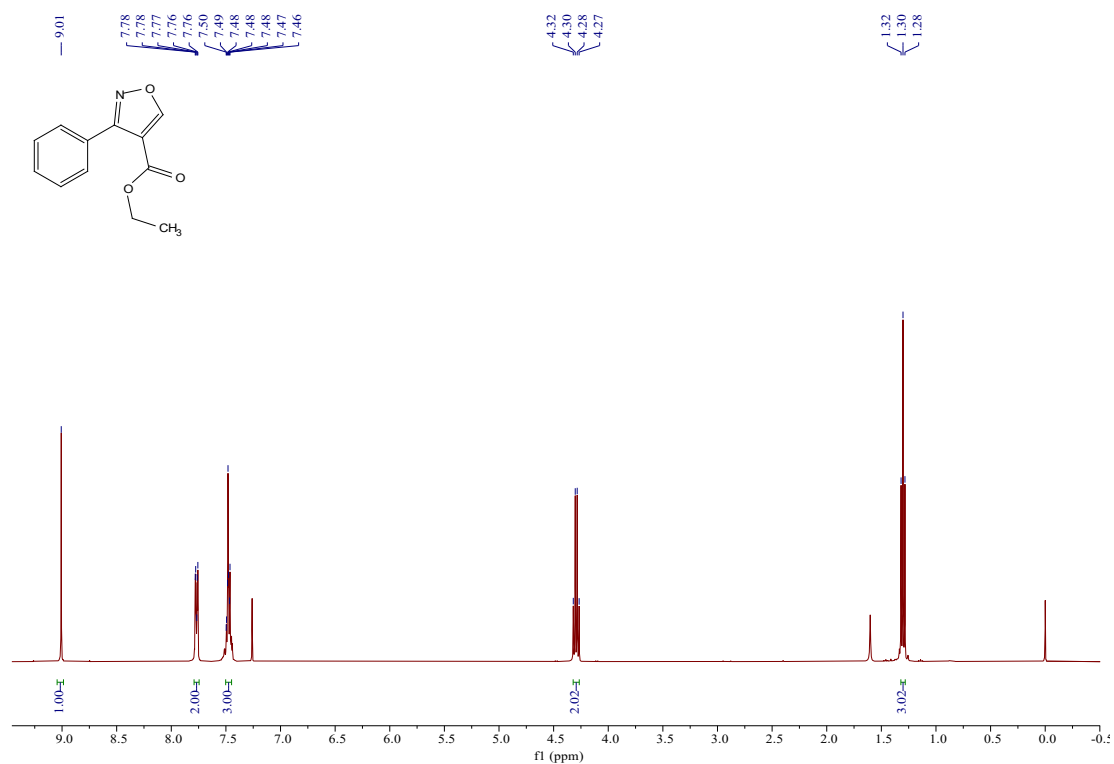


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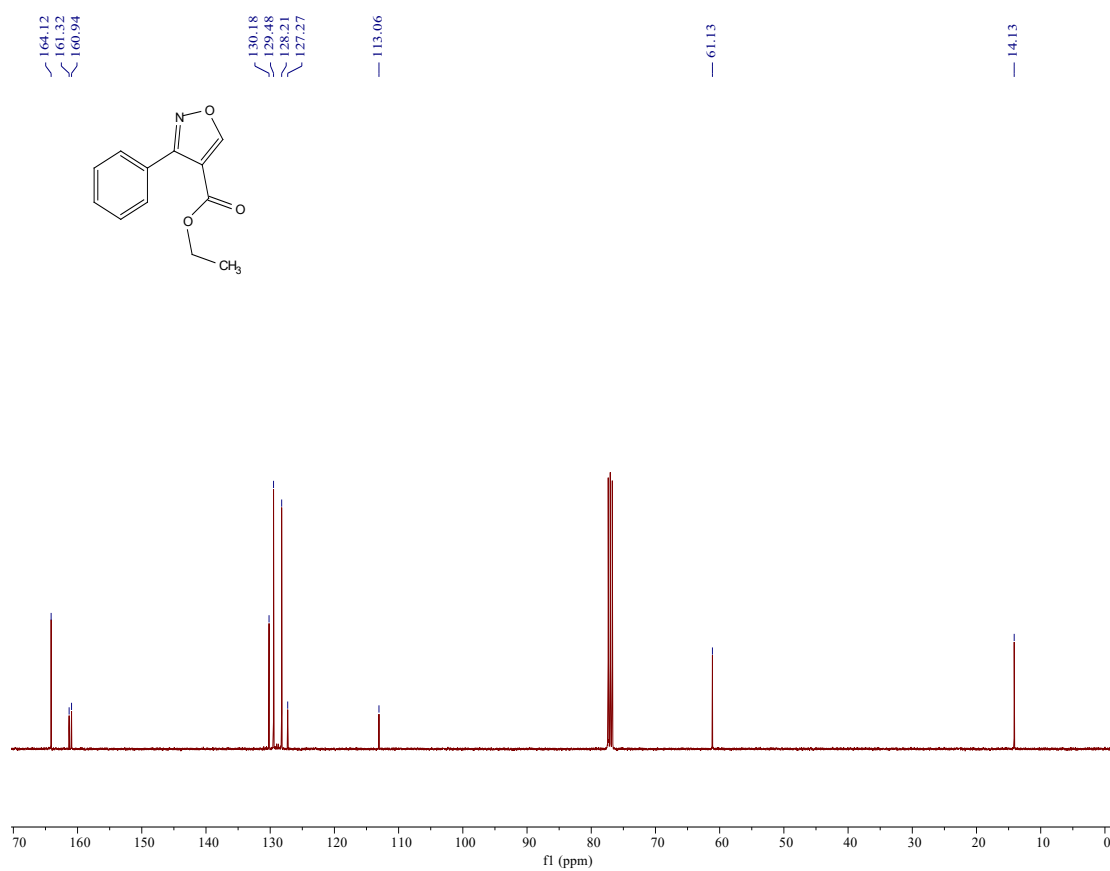


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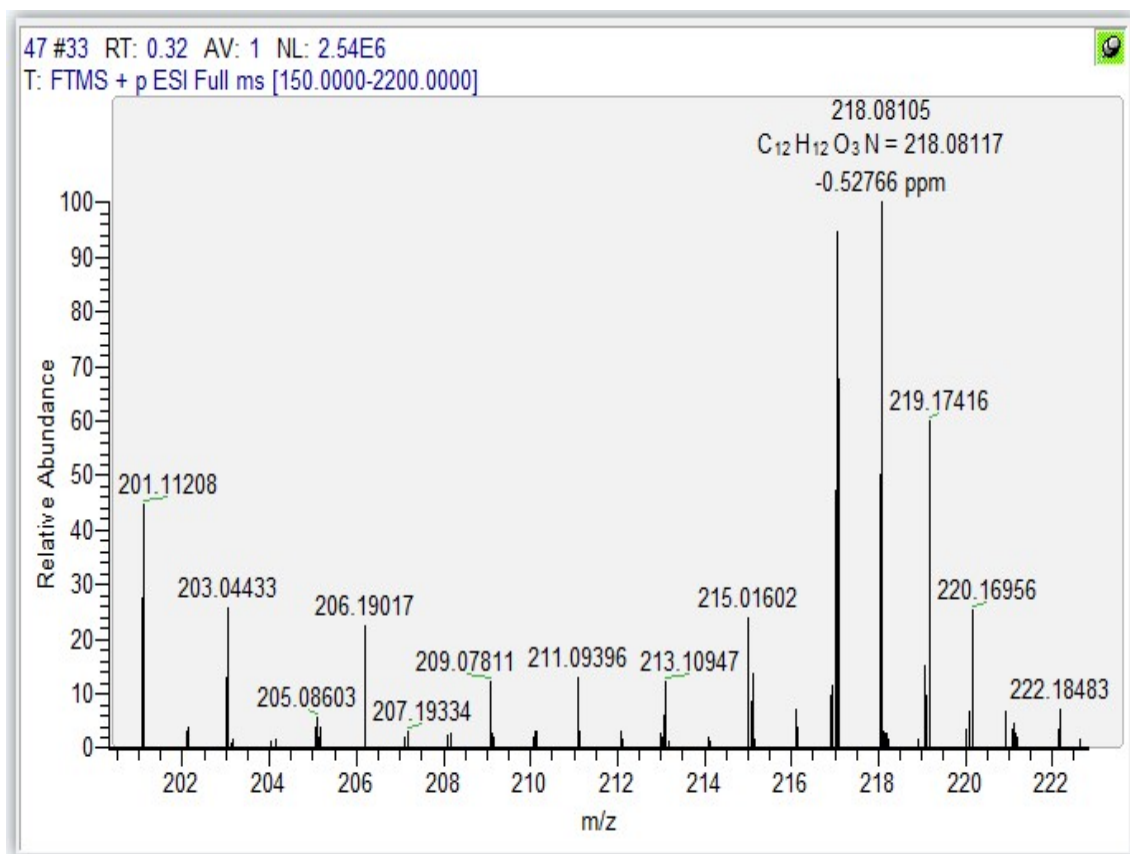


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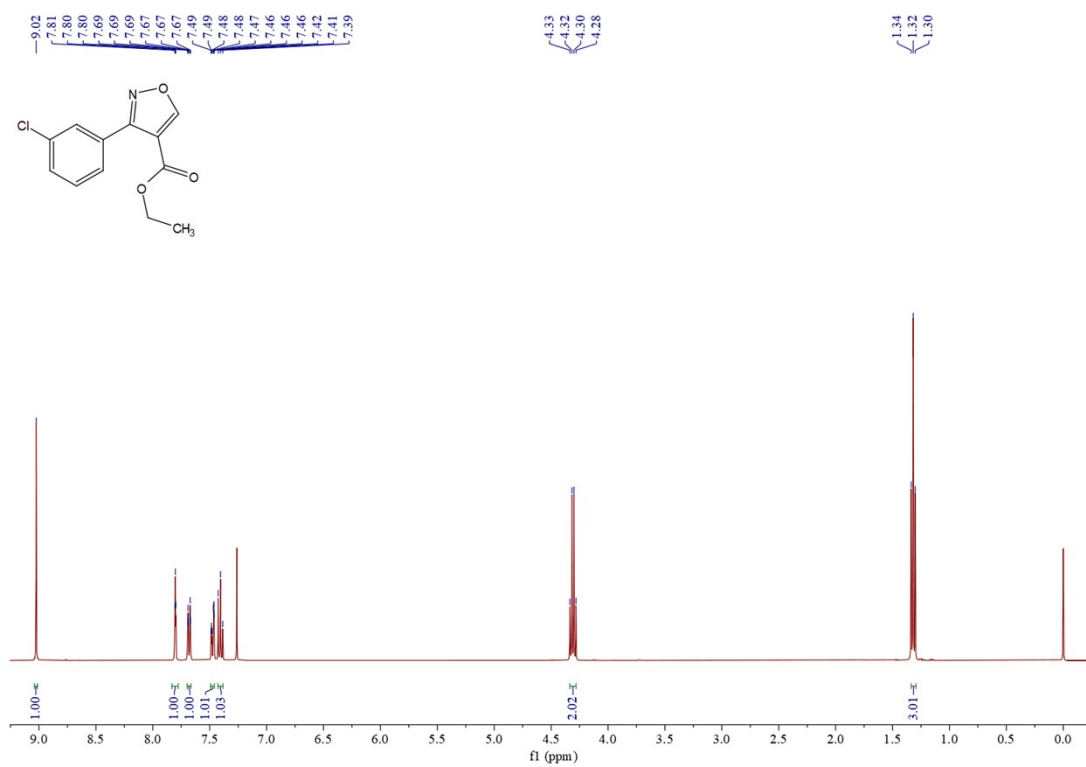


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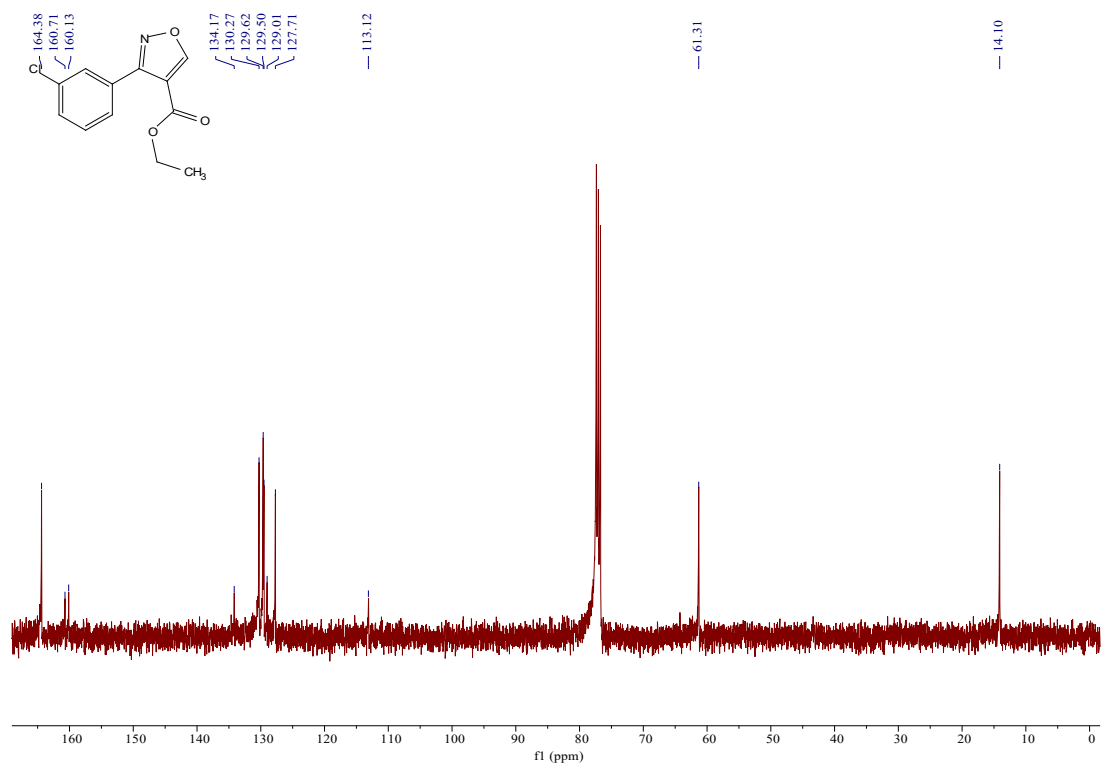


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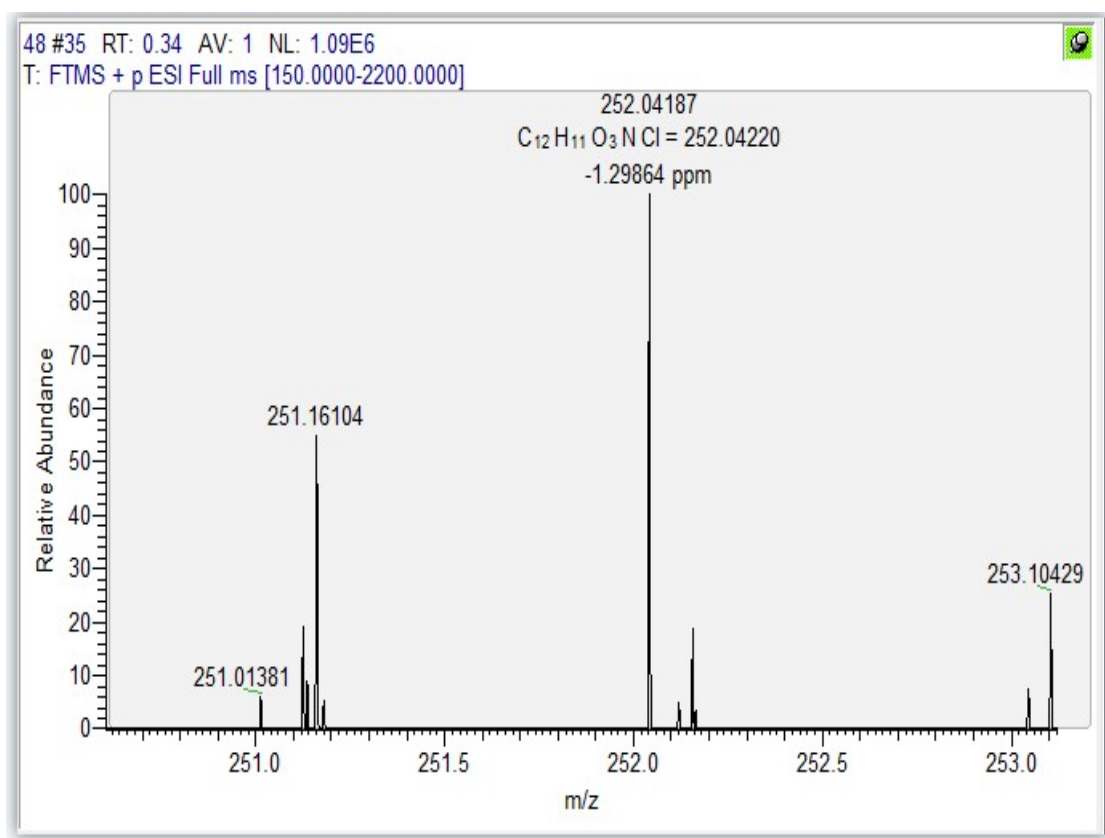


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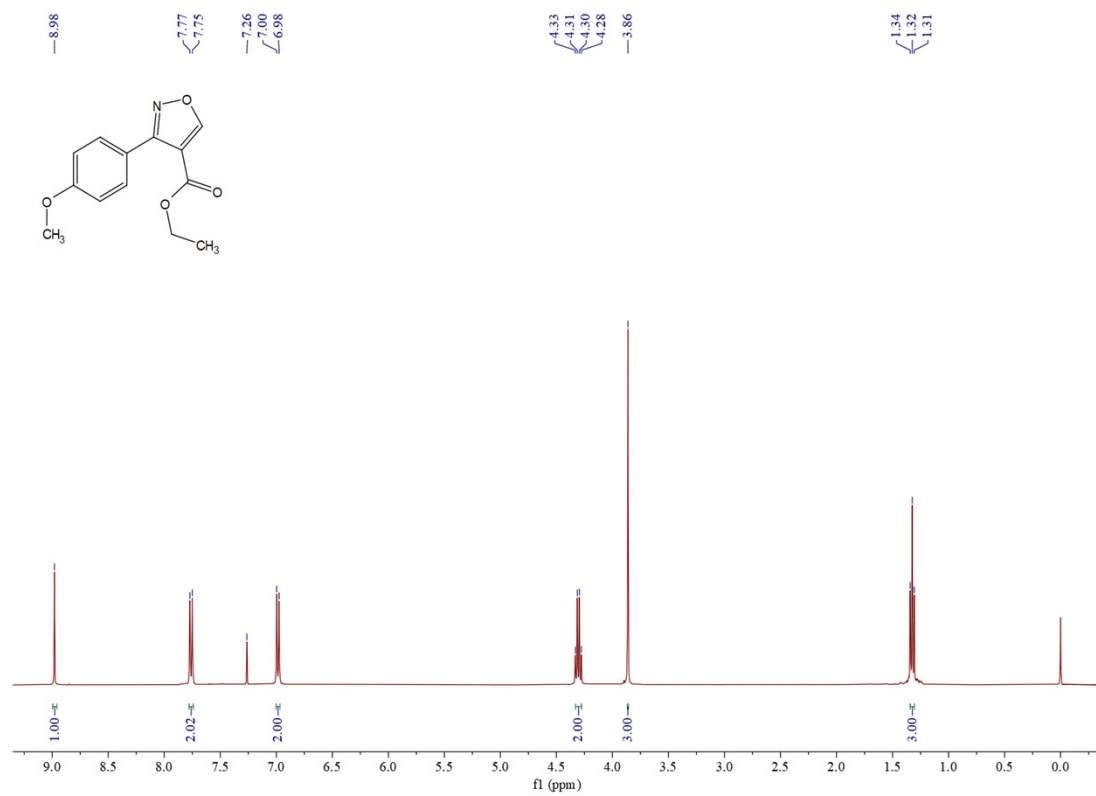


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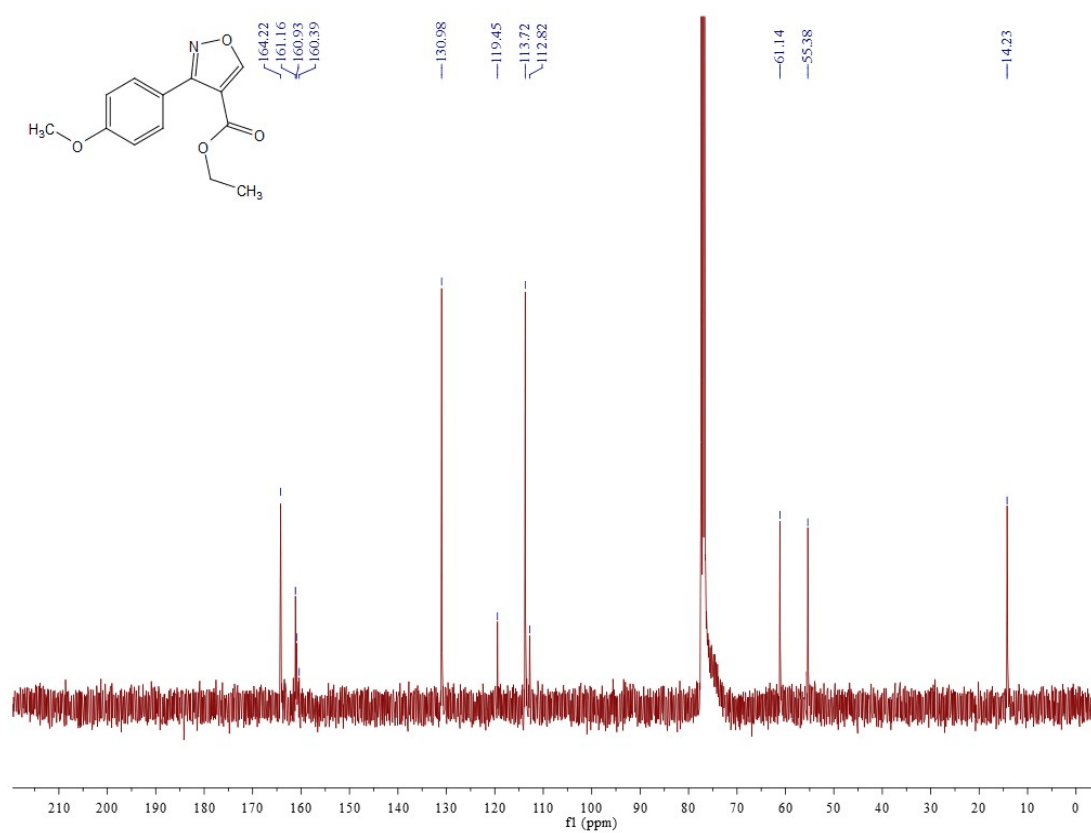


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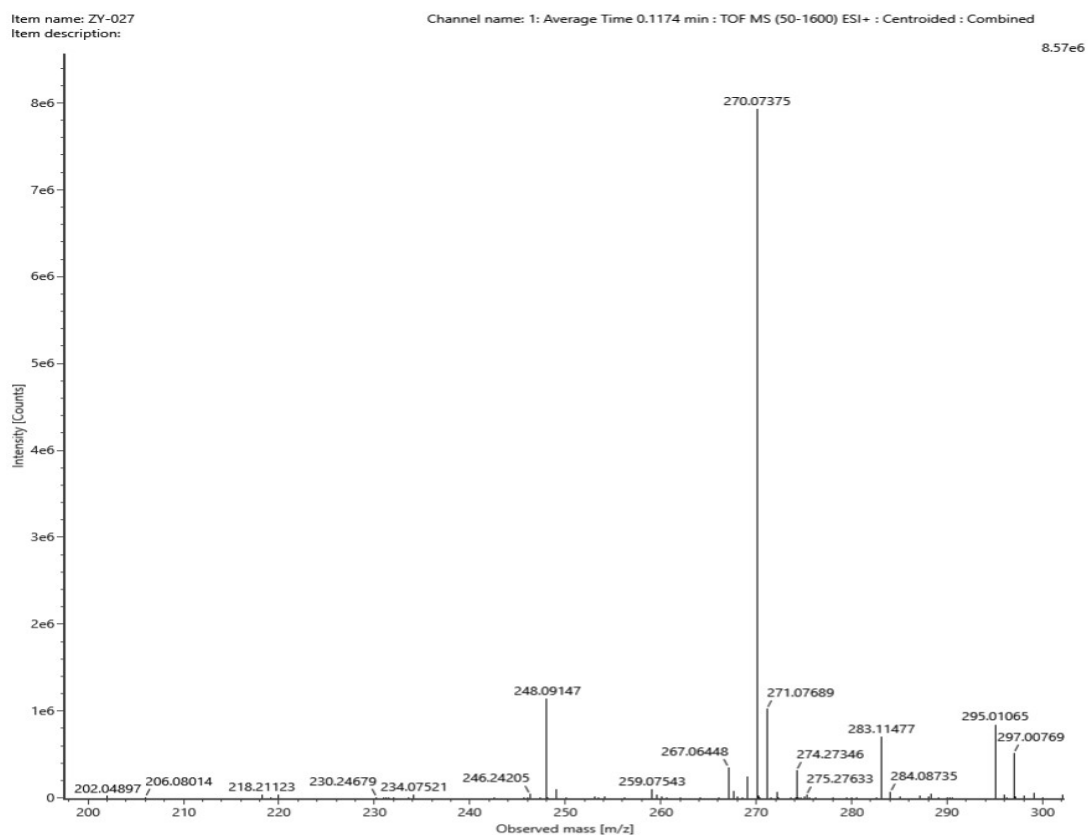


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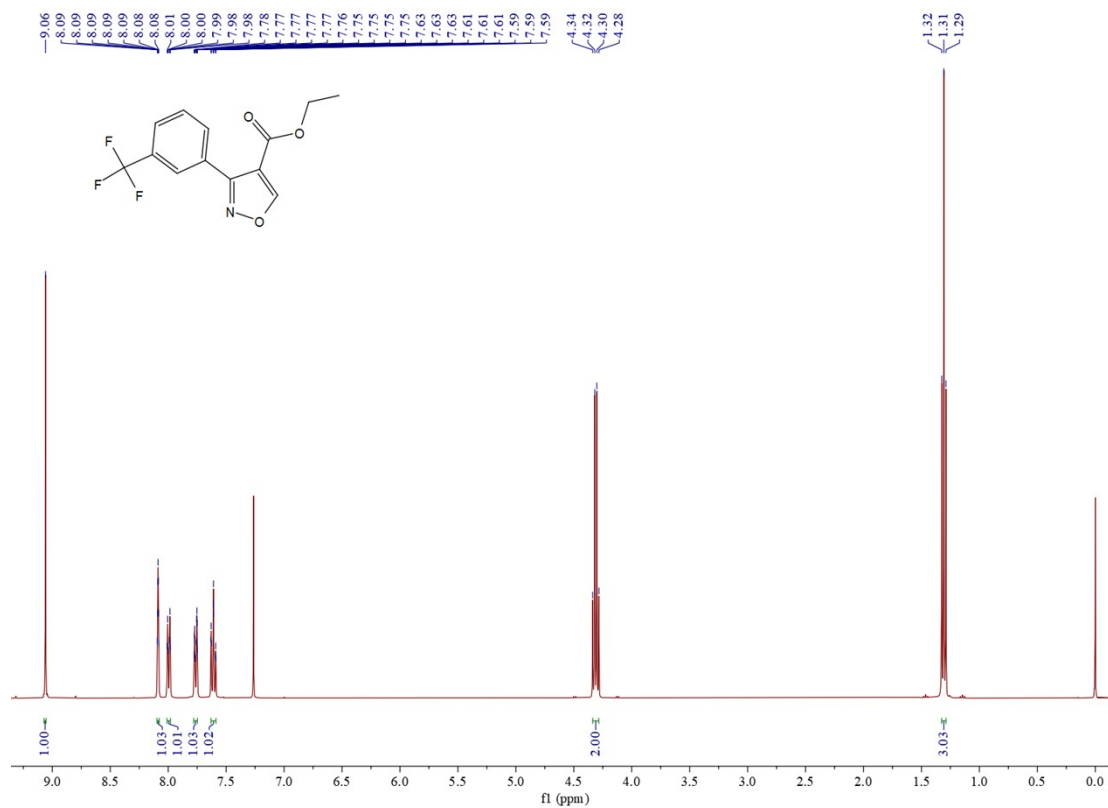


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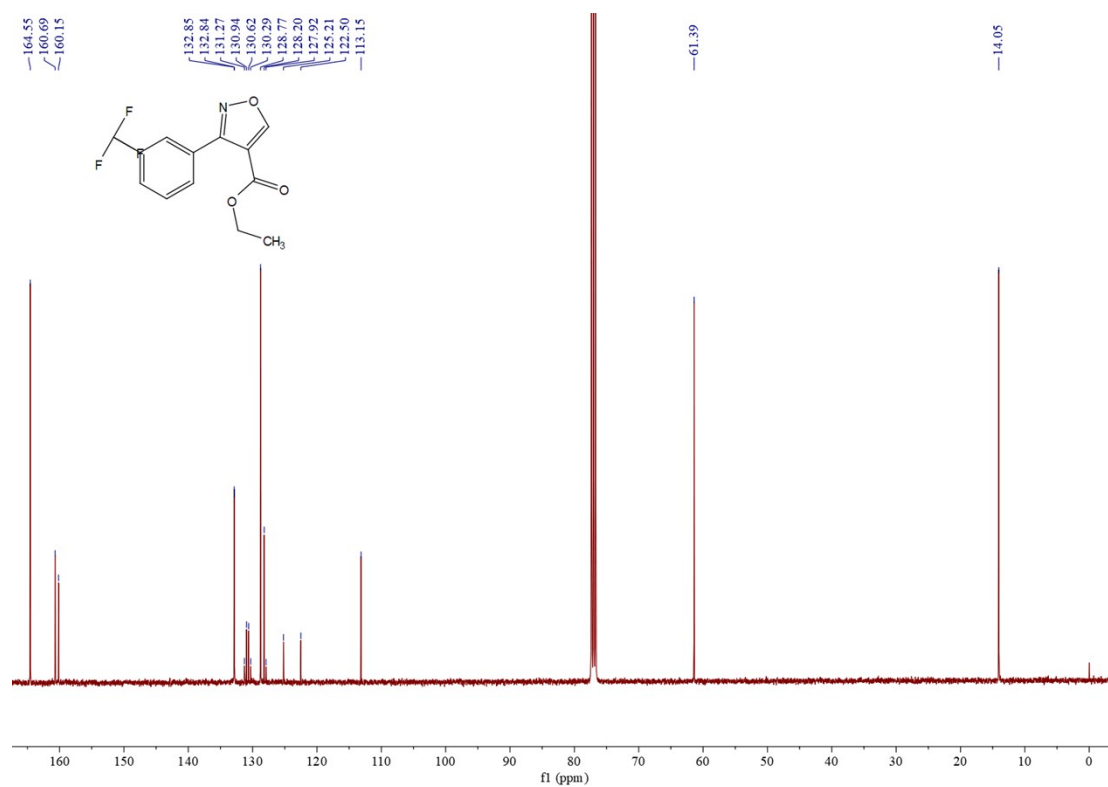


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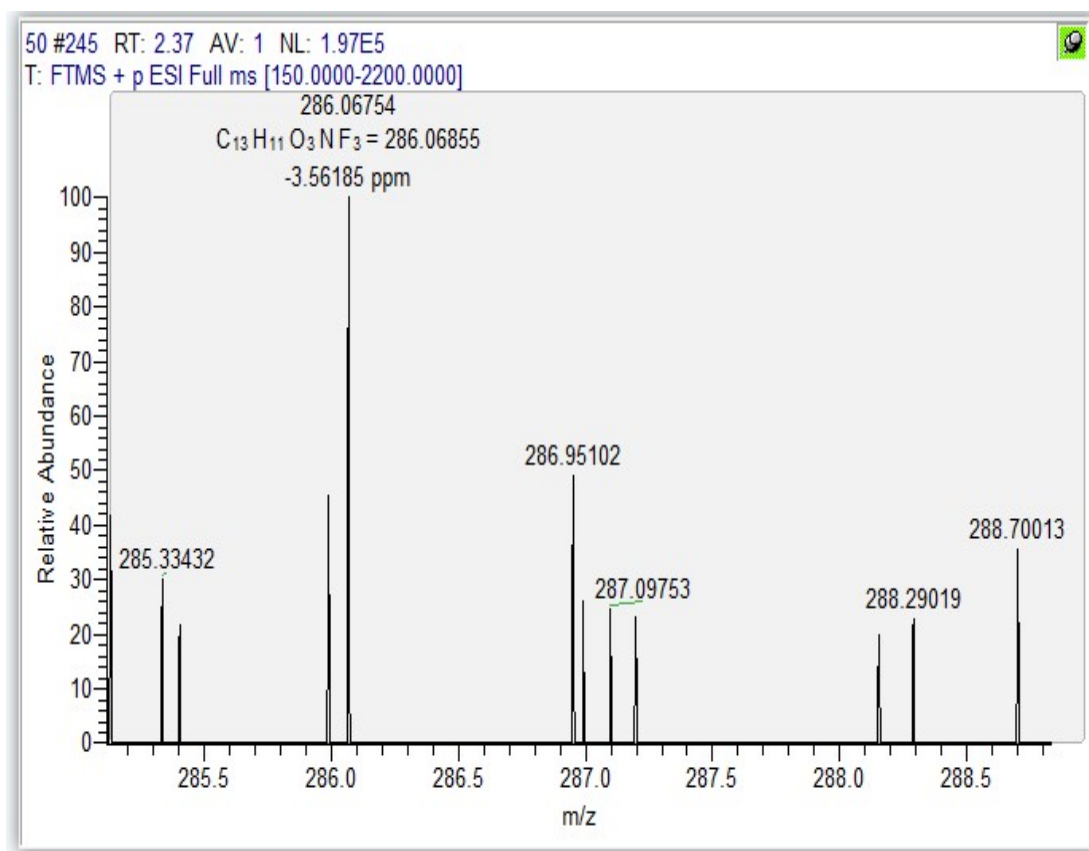


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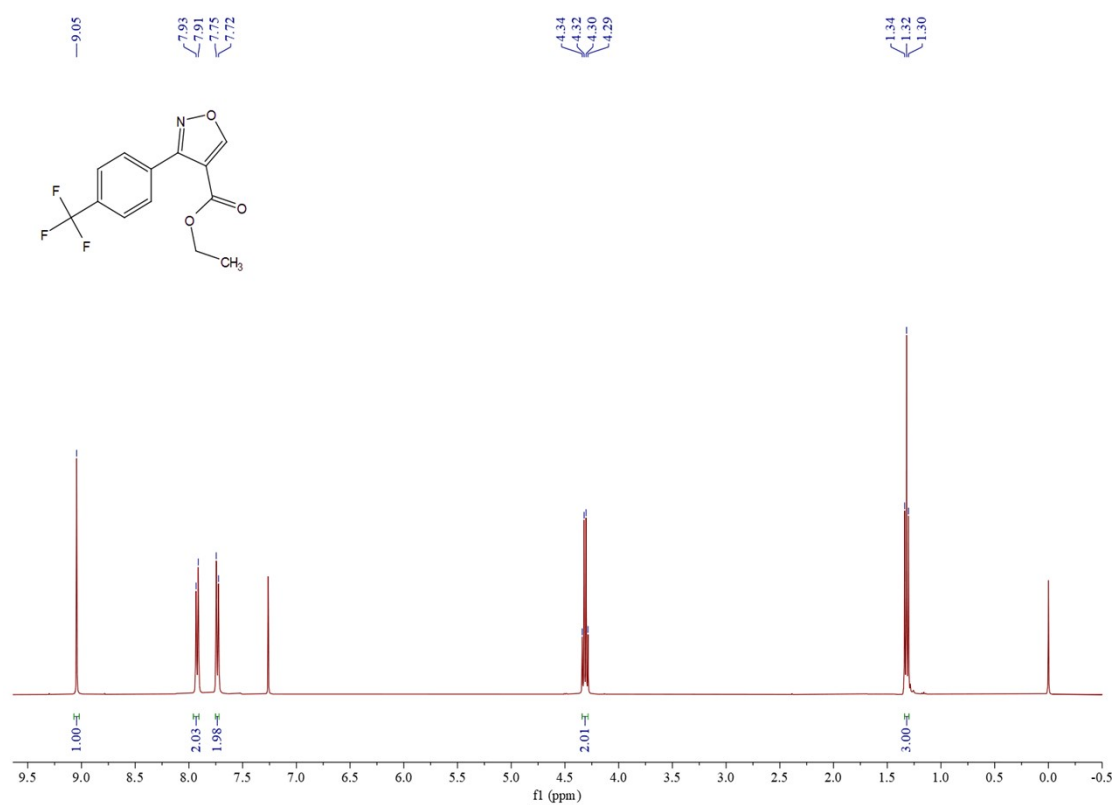


Fig. S71. ¹H NMR spectrum of compound **5m**

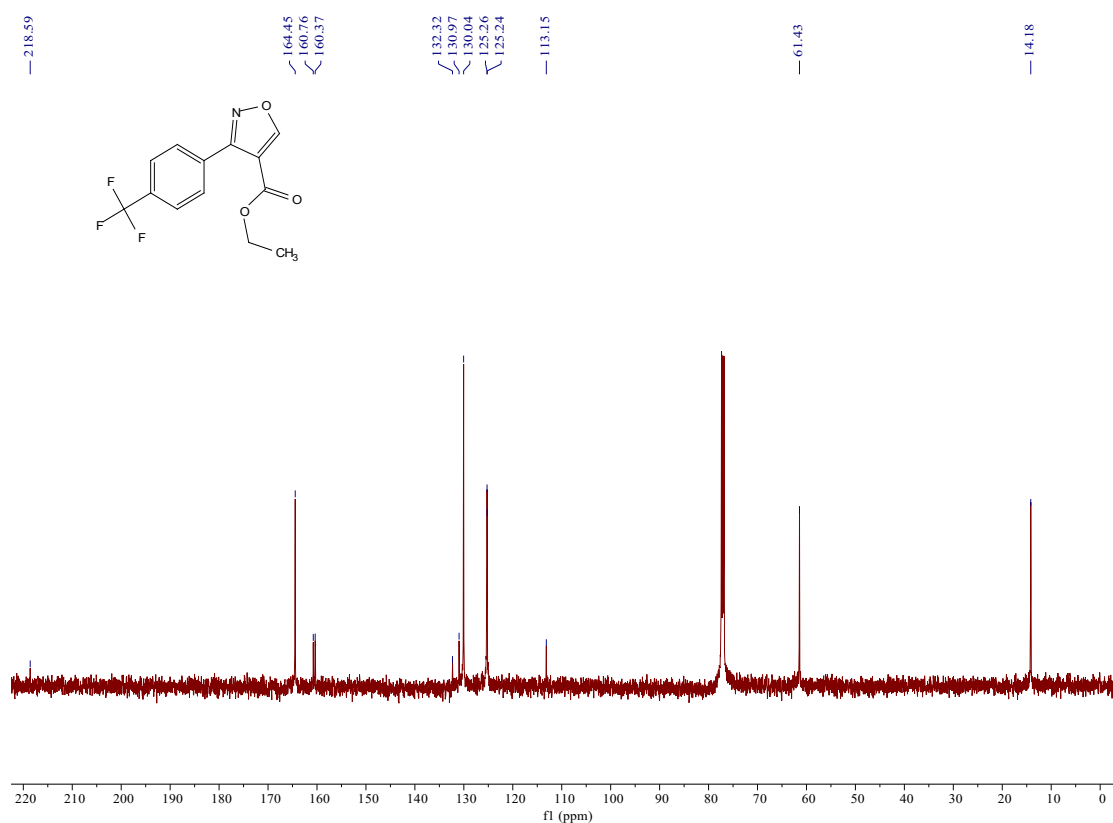


Fig. S72. ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound **5m**

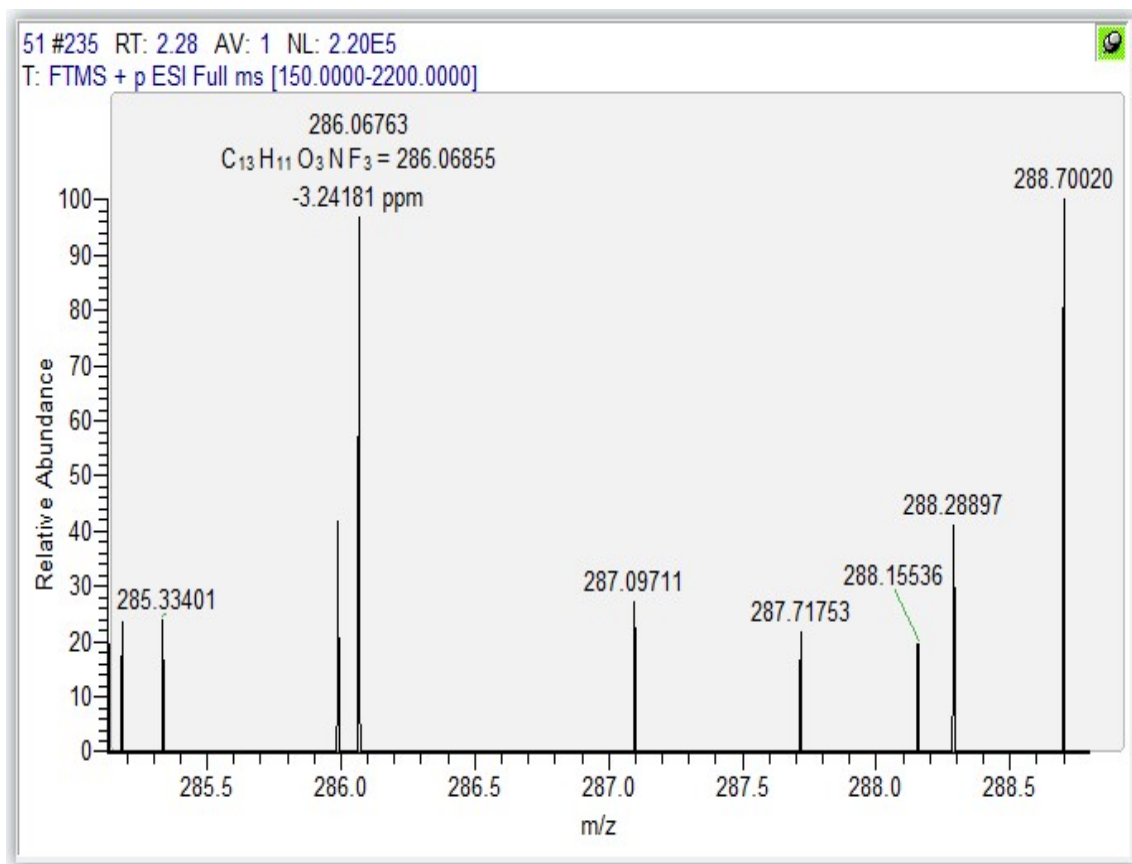


Fig. S73. HRMS spectrum of compound **5m**

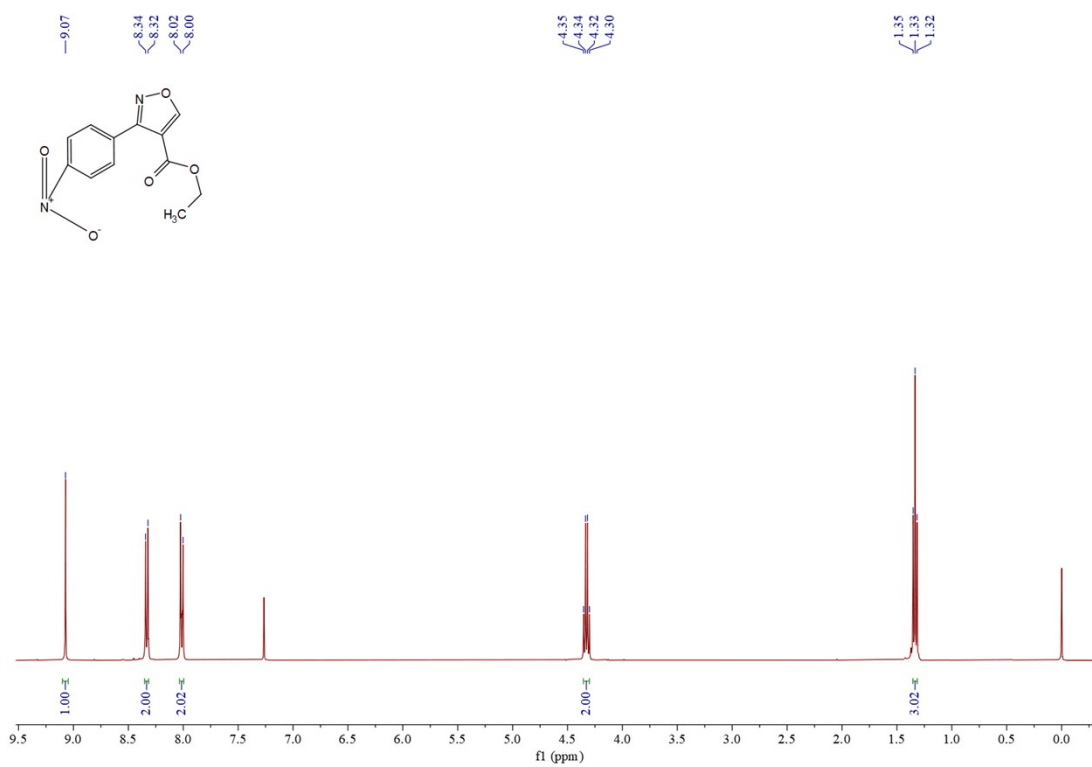


Fig. S74. 1H NMR spectrum of compound **5n**

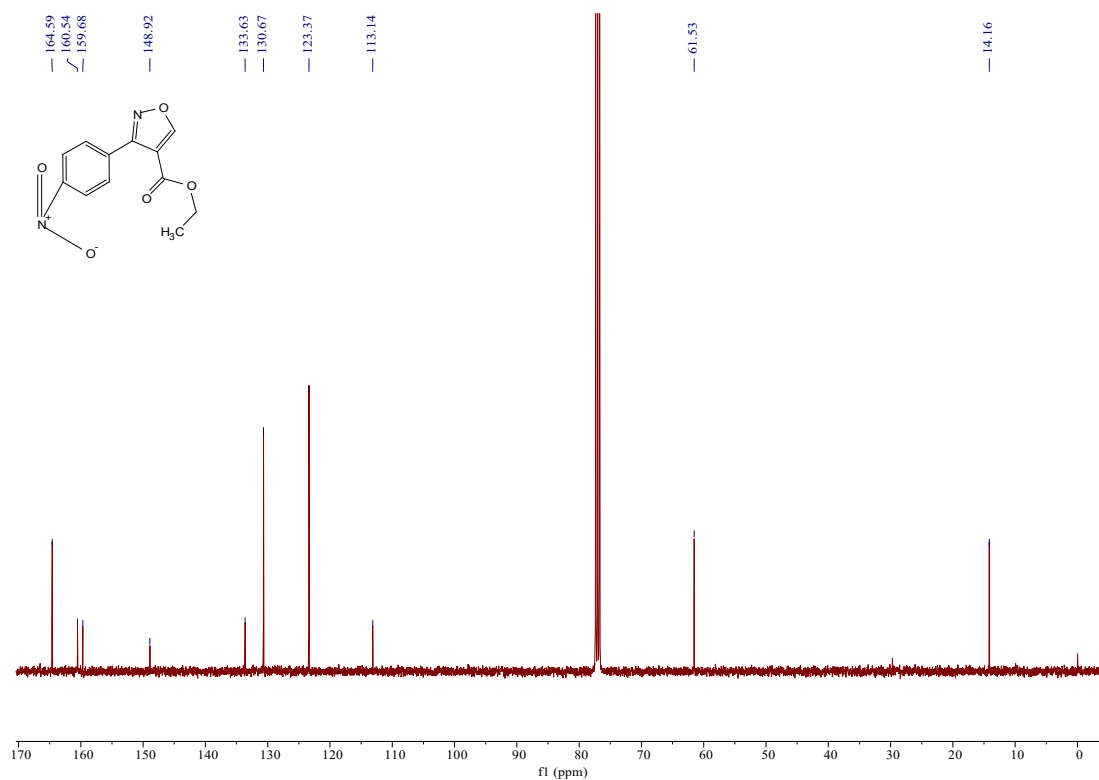


Fig. S75. ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound **5n**

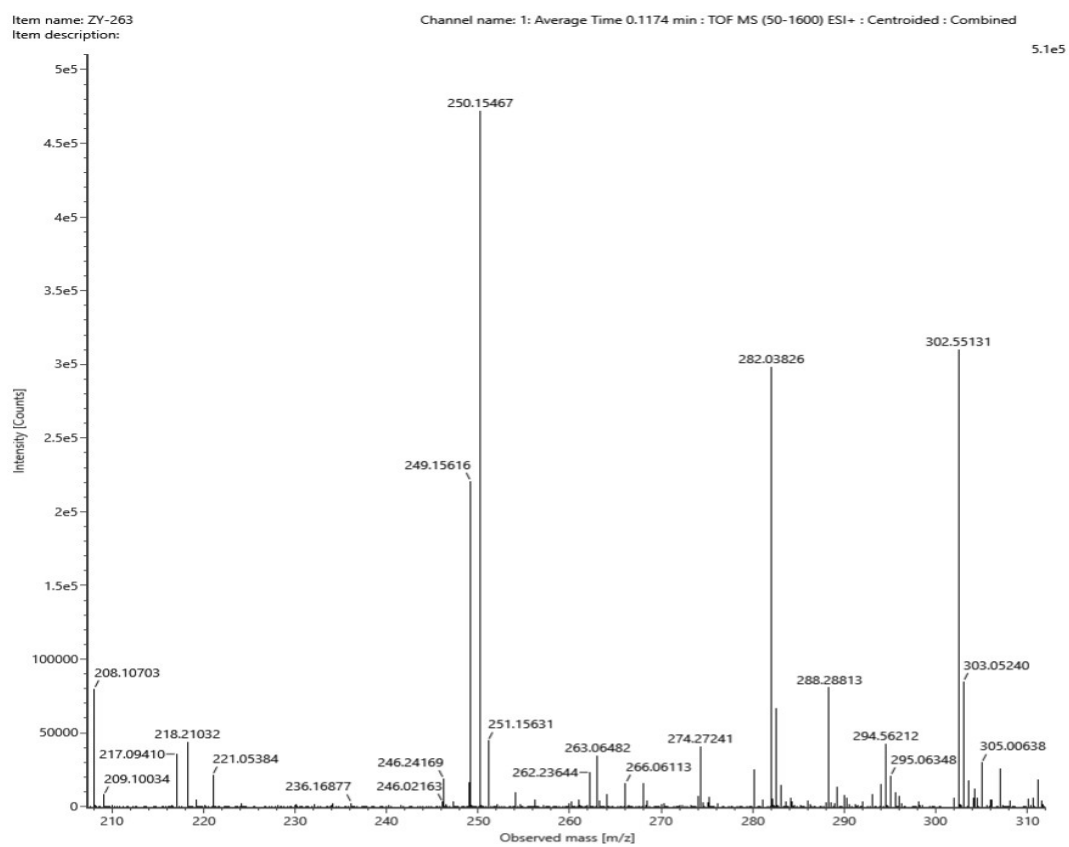


Fig. S76. HRMS spectrum of compound **5n**

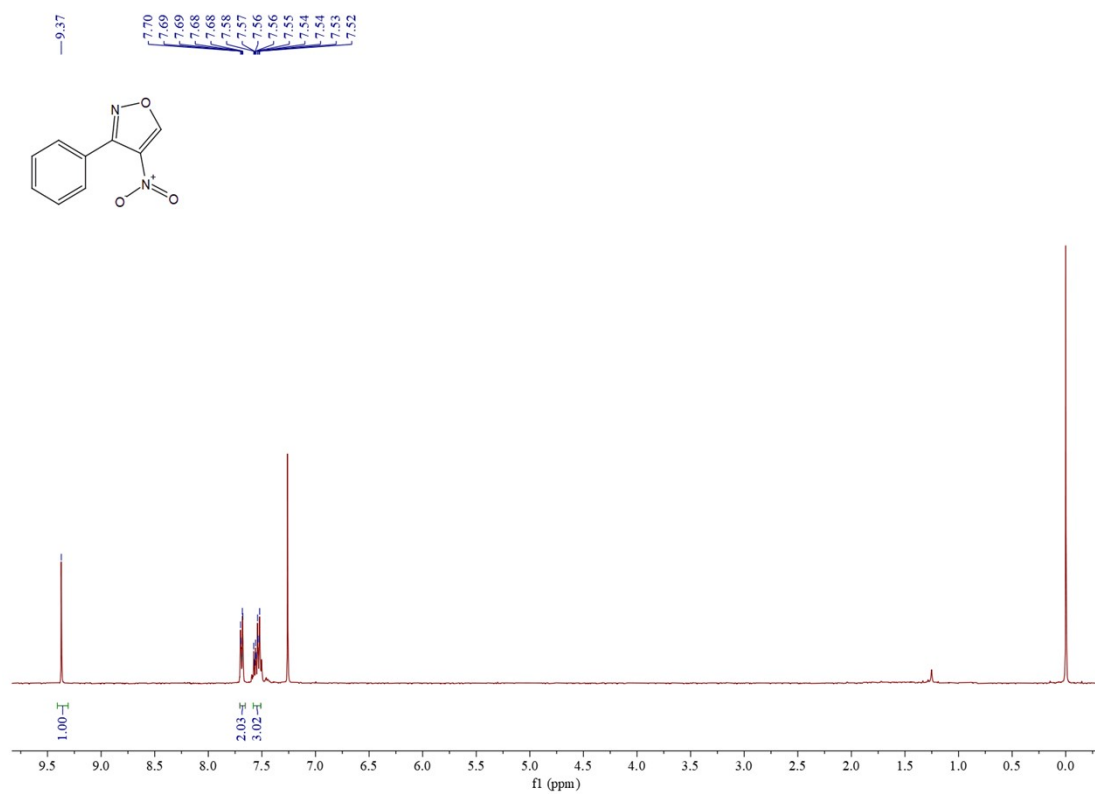


Fig. S77. ¹H NMR spectrum of compound **5o**

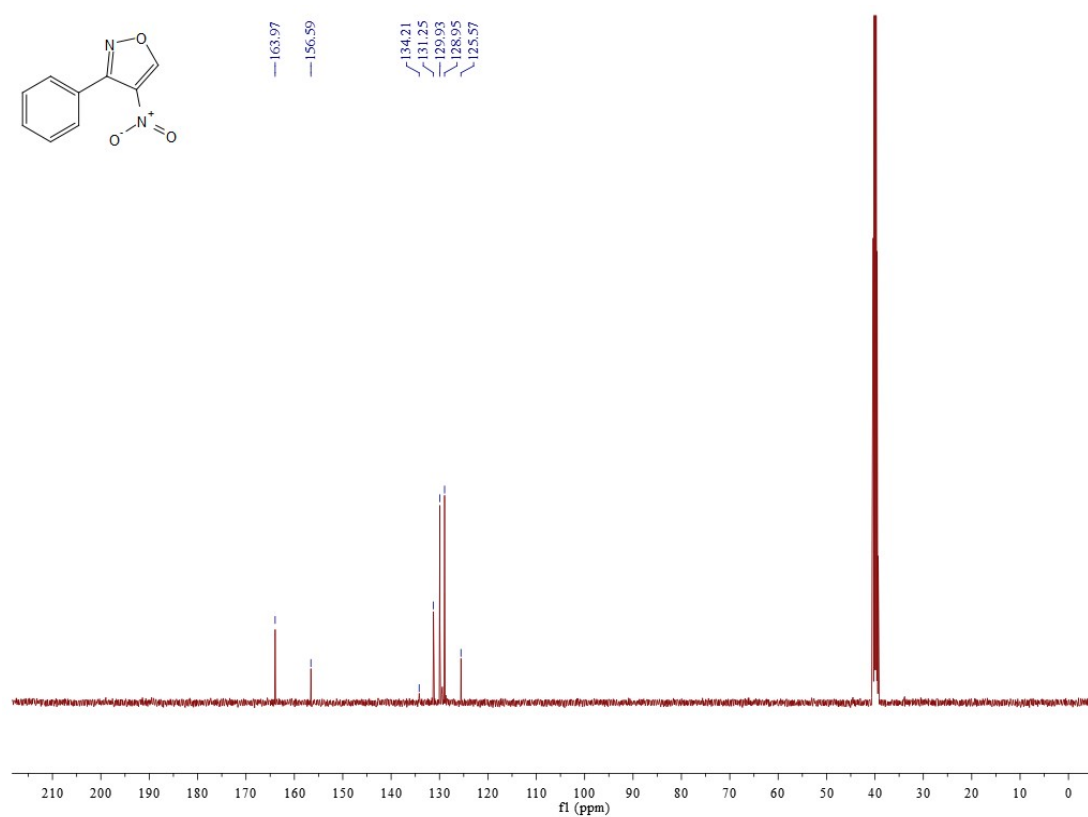


Fig. S78. ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound **5o**

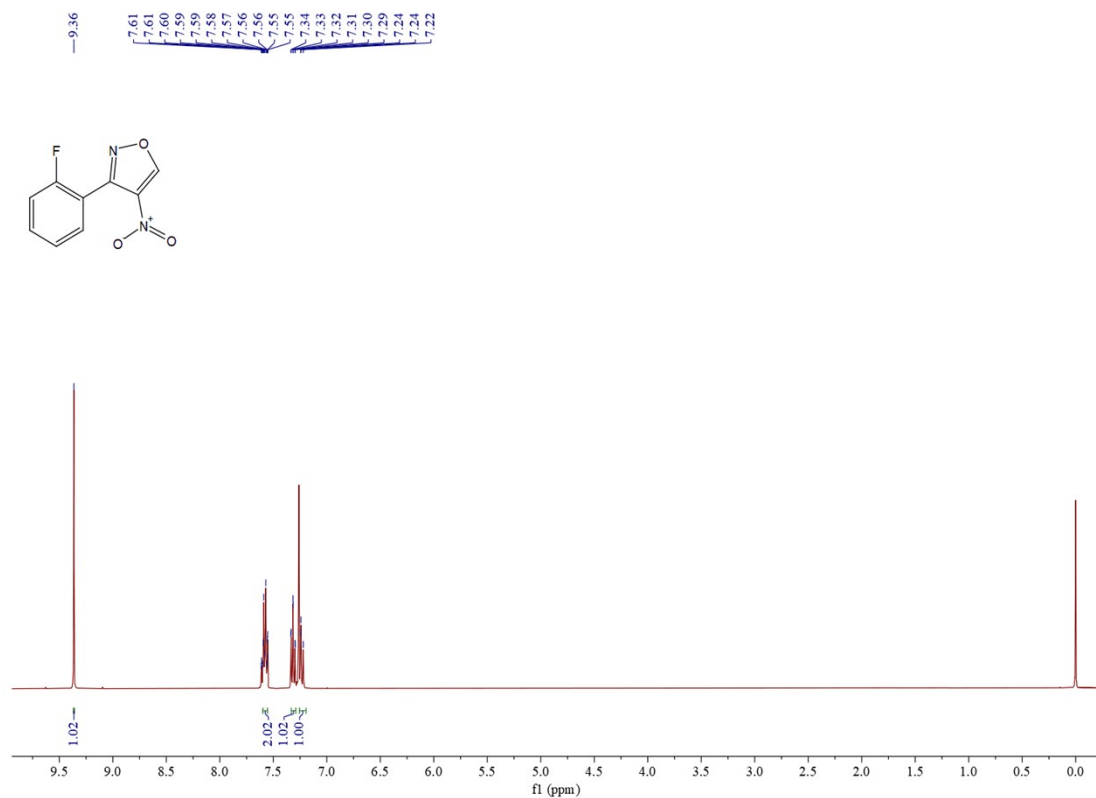


Fig. S79. ¹H NMR spectrum of compound **5p**

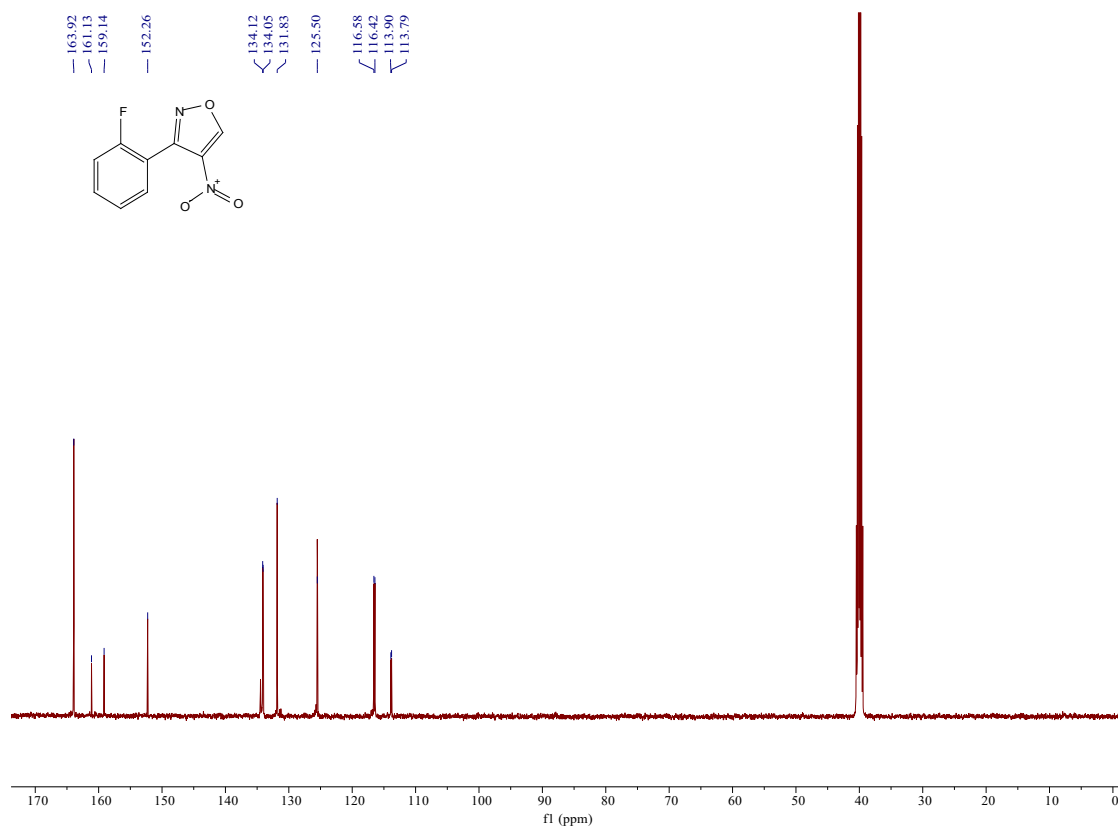


Fig. S80. ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound **5p**

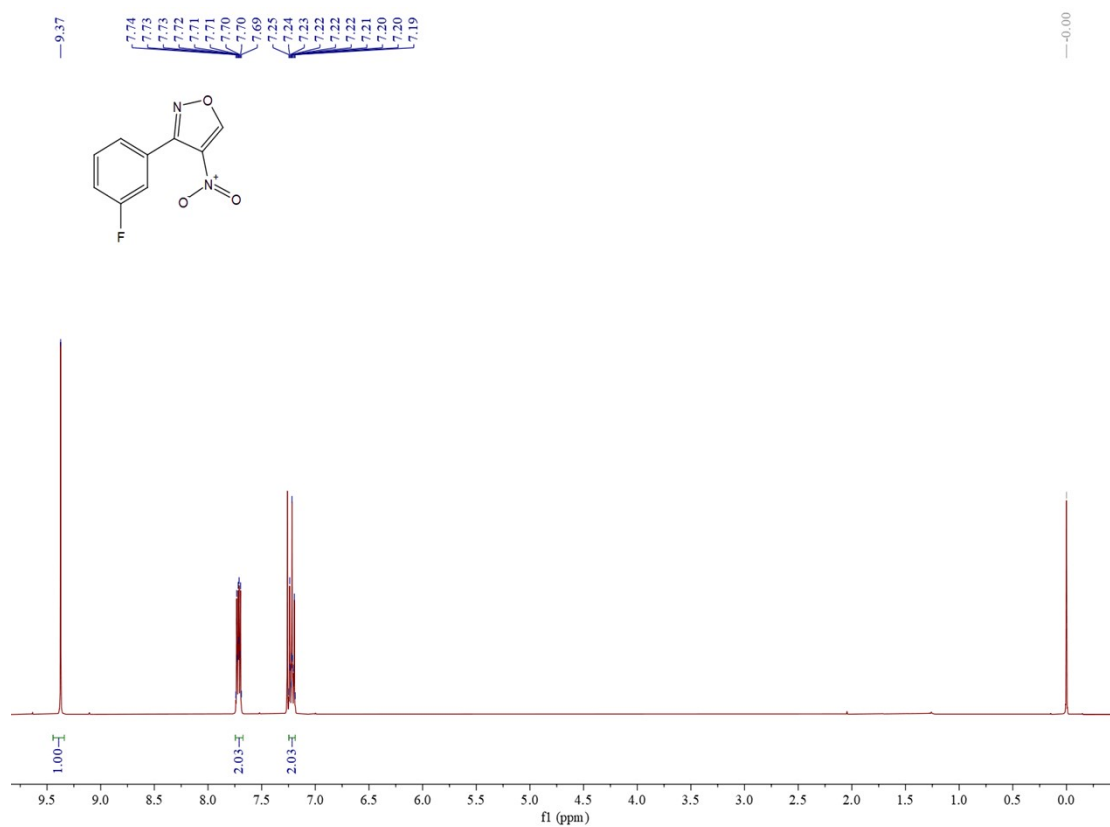


Fig. S81. ¹H NMR spectrum of compound **5q**

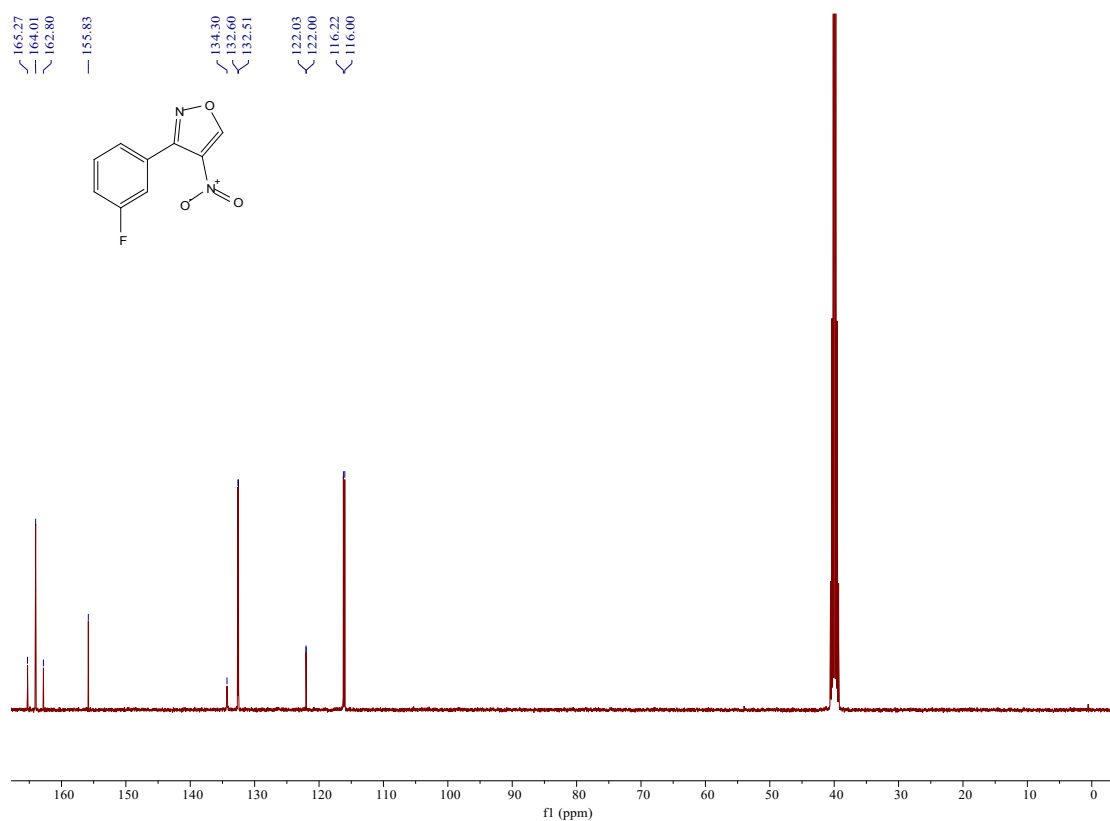


Fig. S82. ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound **5q**

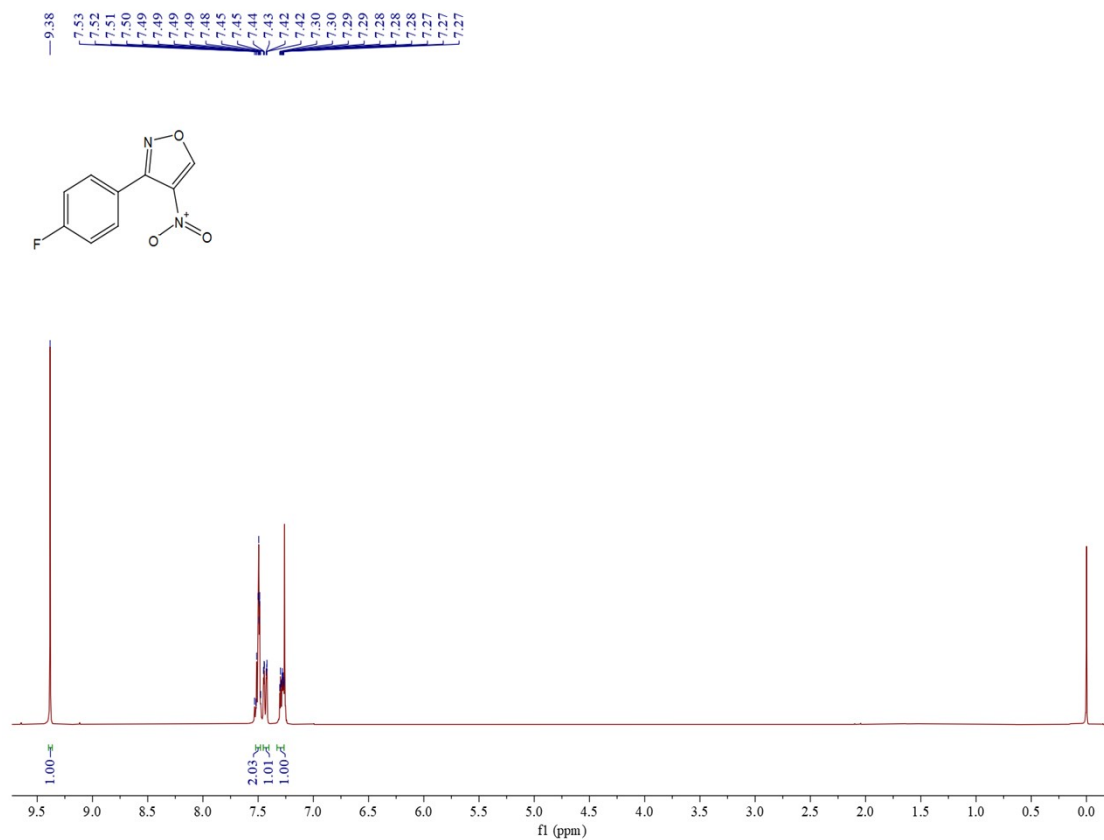


Fig. S83. ¹H NMR spectrum of compound **5r**

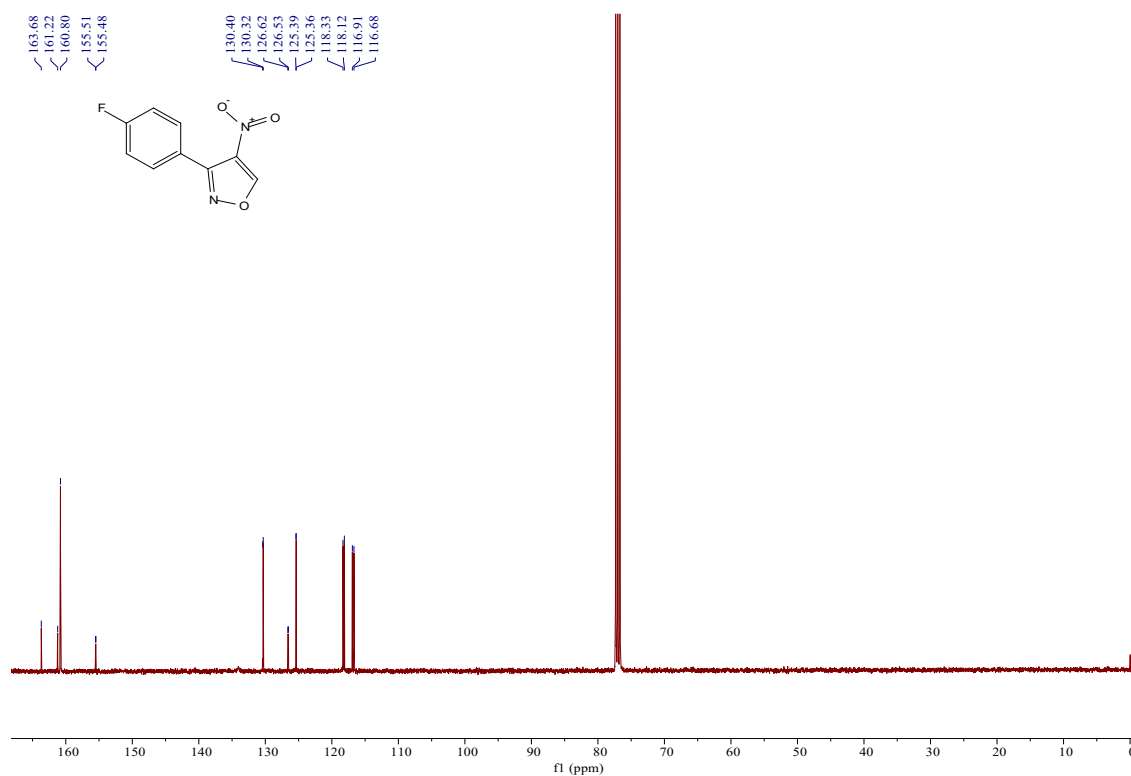


Fig. S84. ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound **5r**

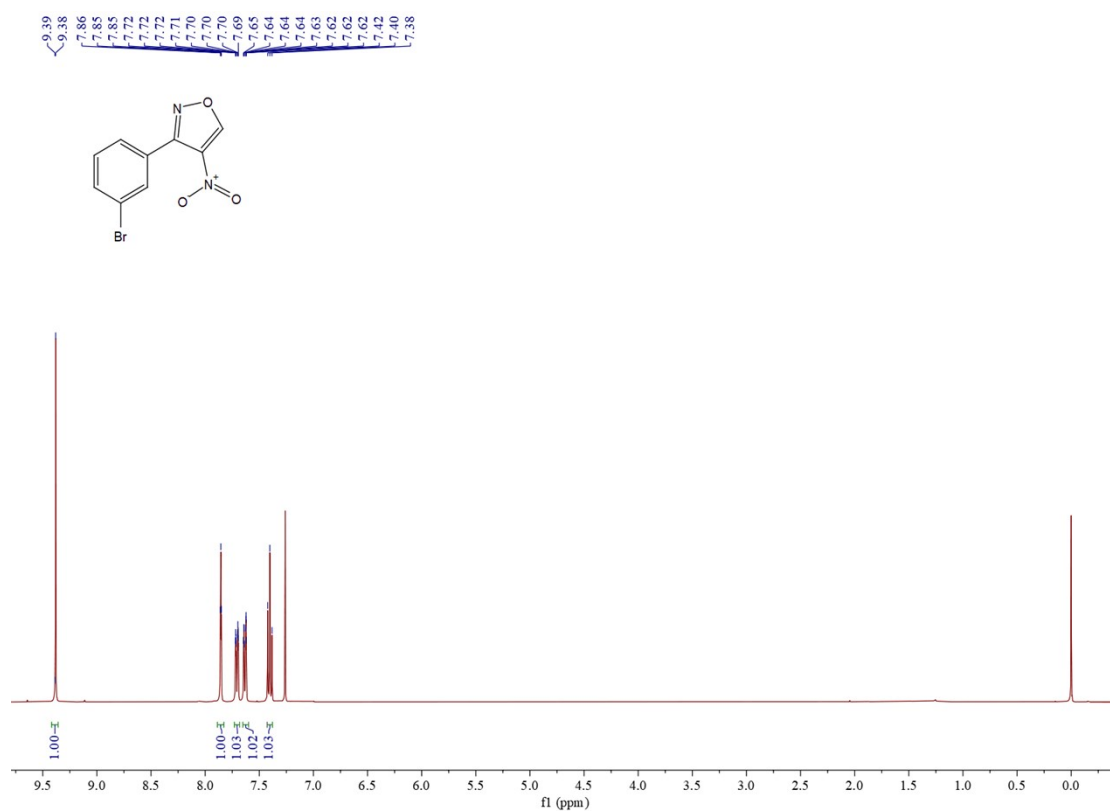


Fig. S87. ¹H NMR spectrum of compound **5t**

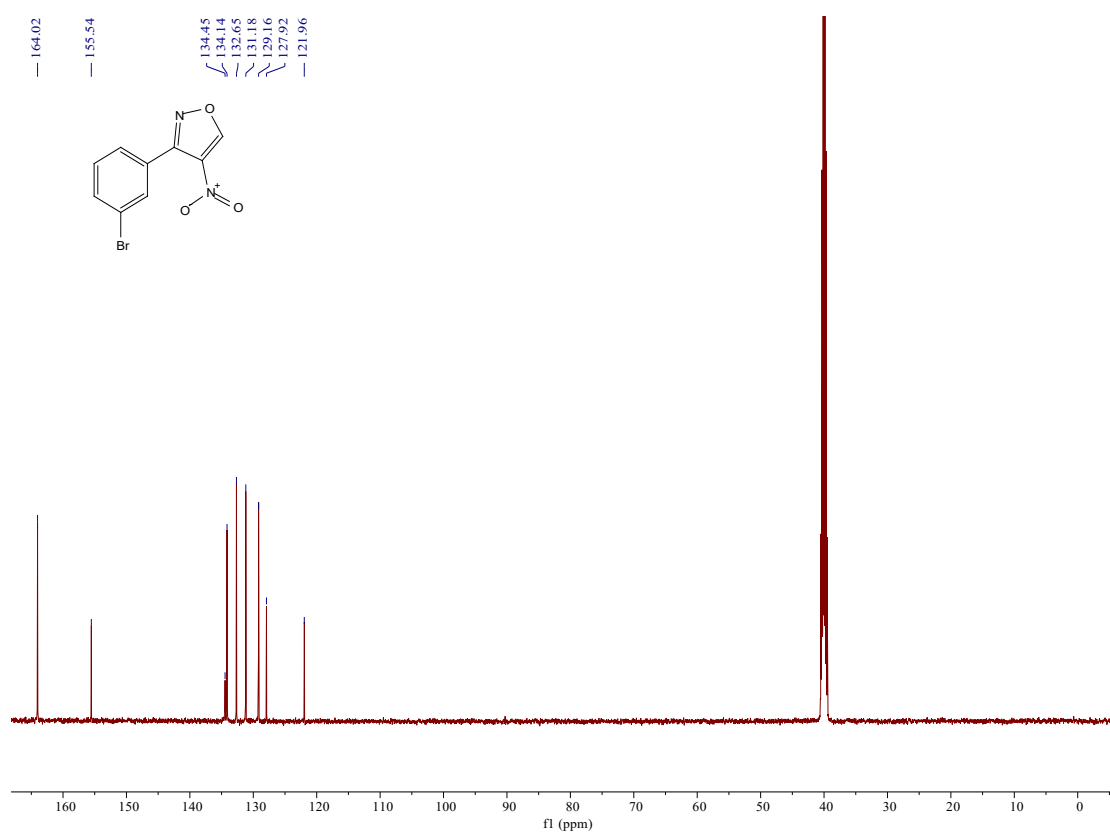


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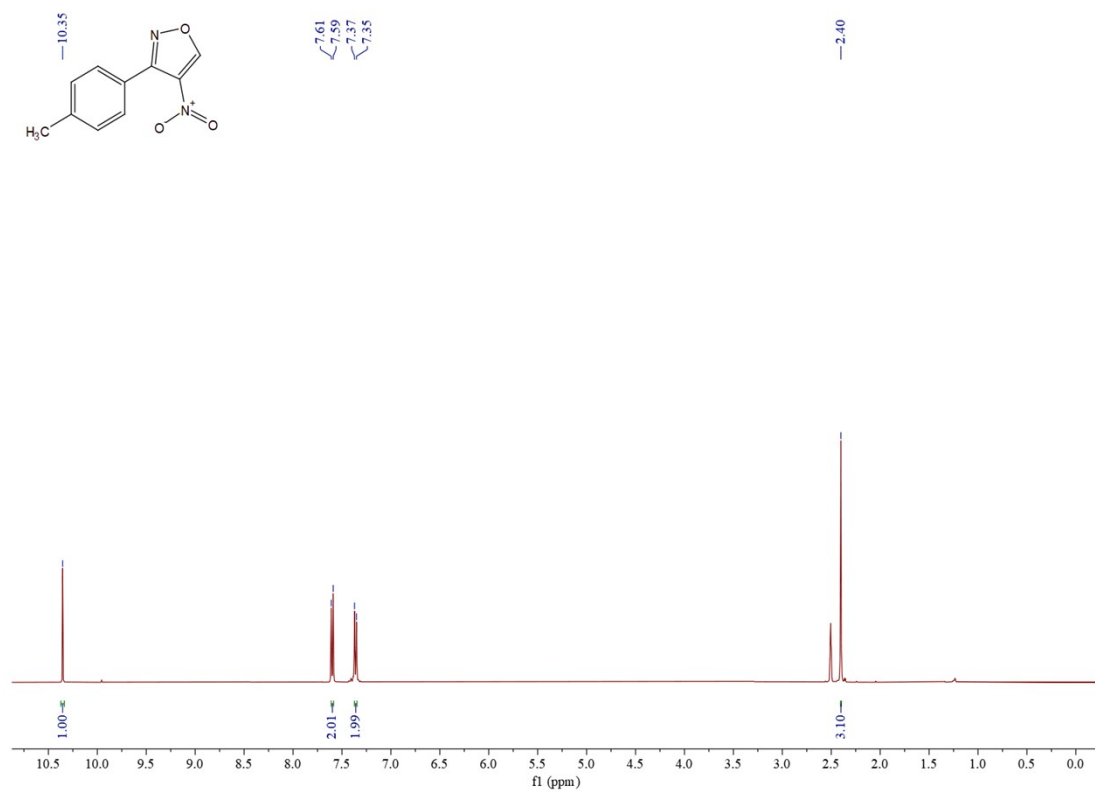


Fig. S89. ¹H NMR spectrum of compound **5u**

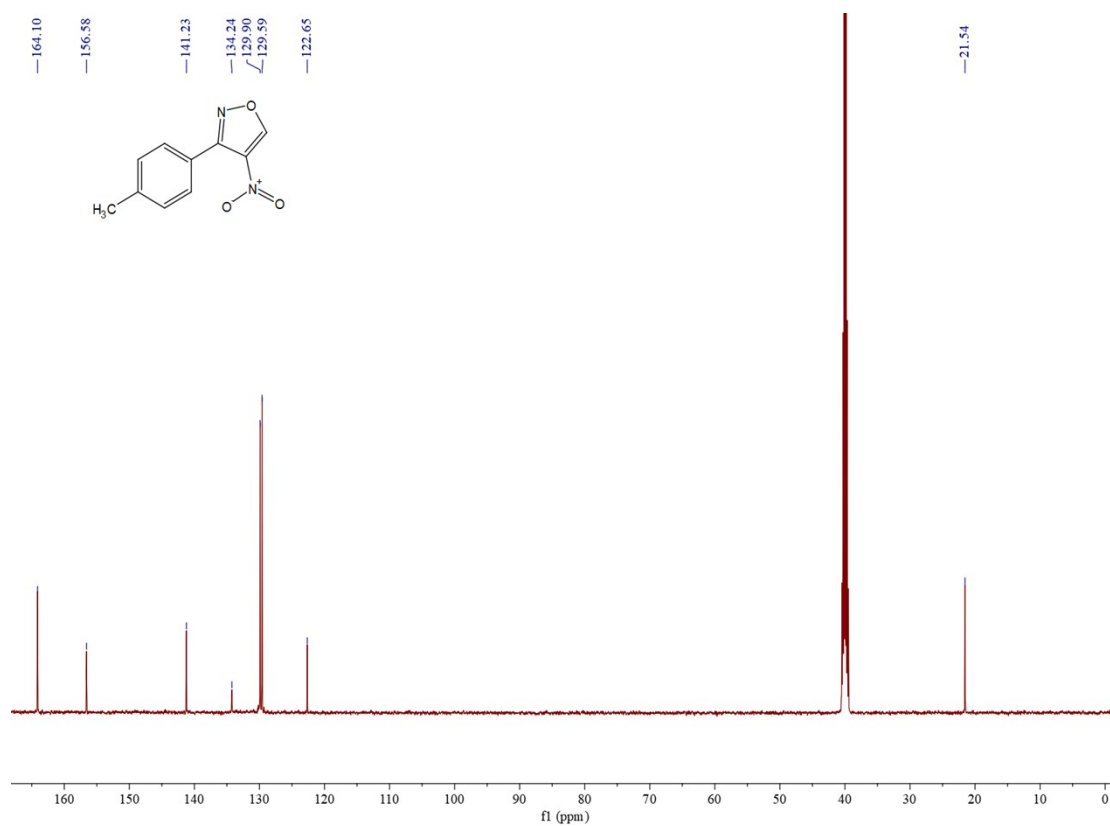


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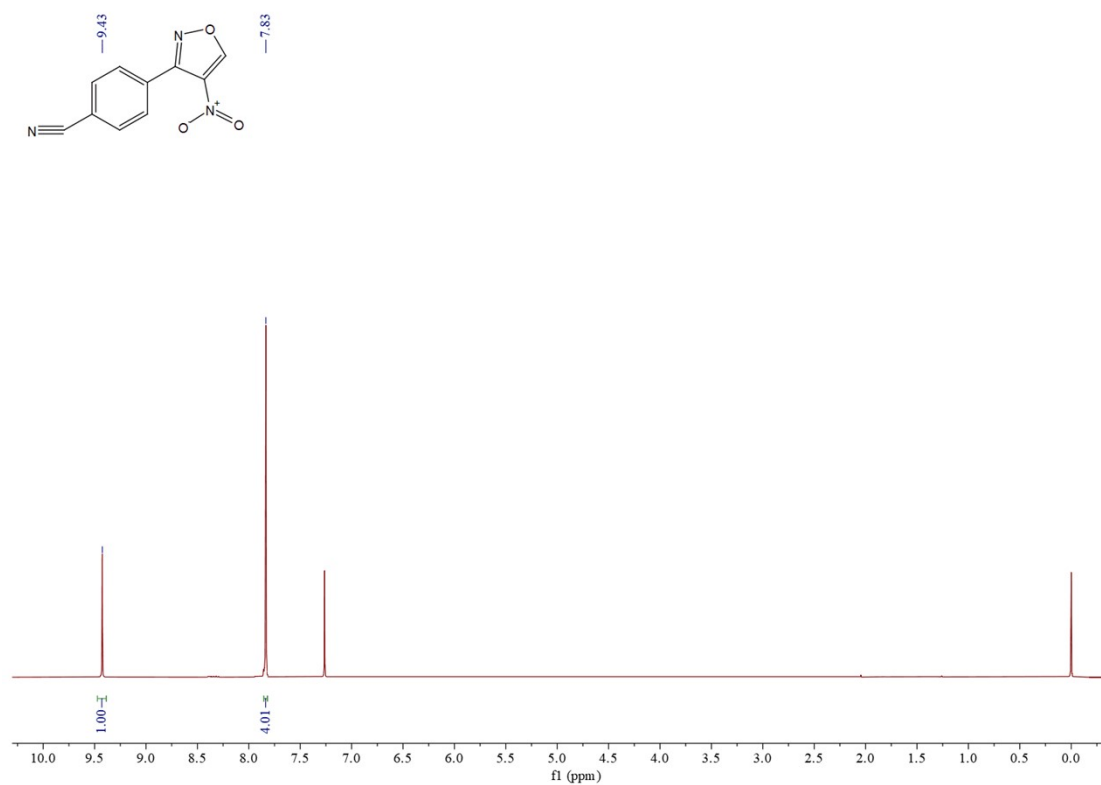


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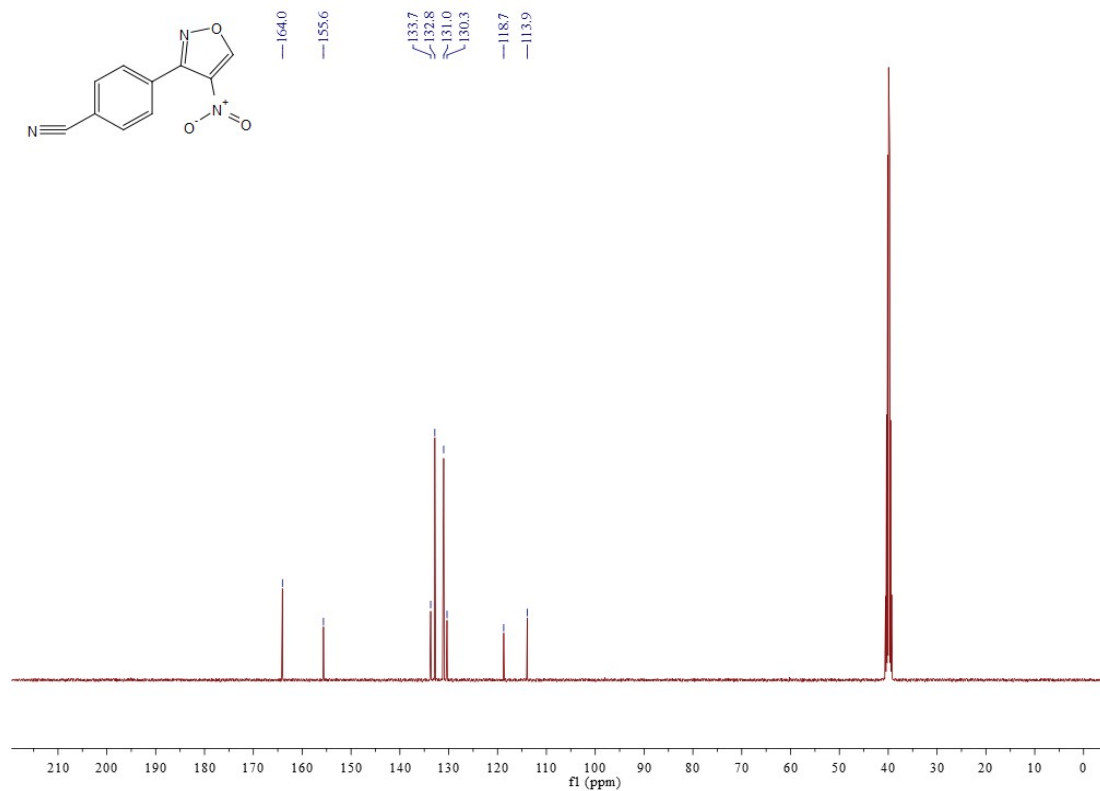


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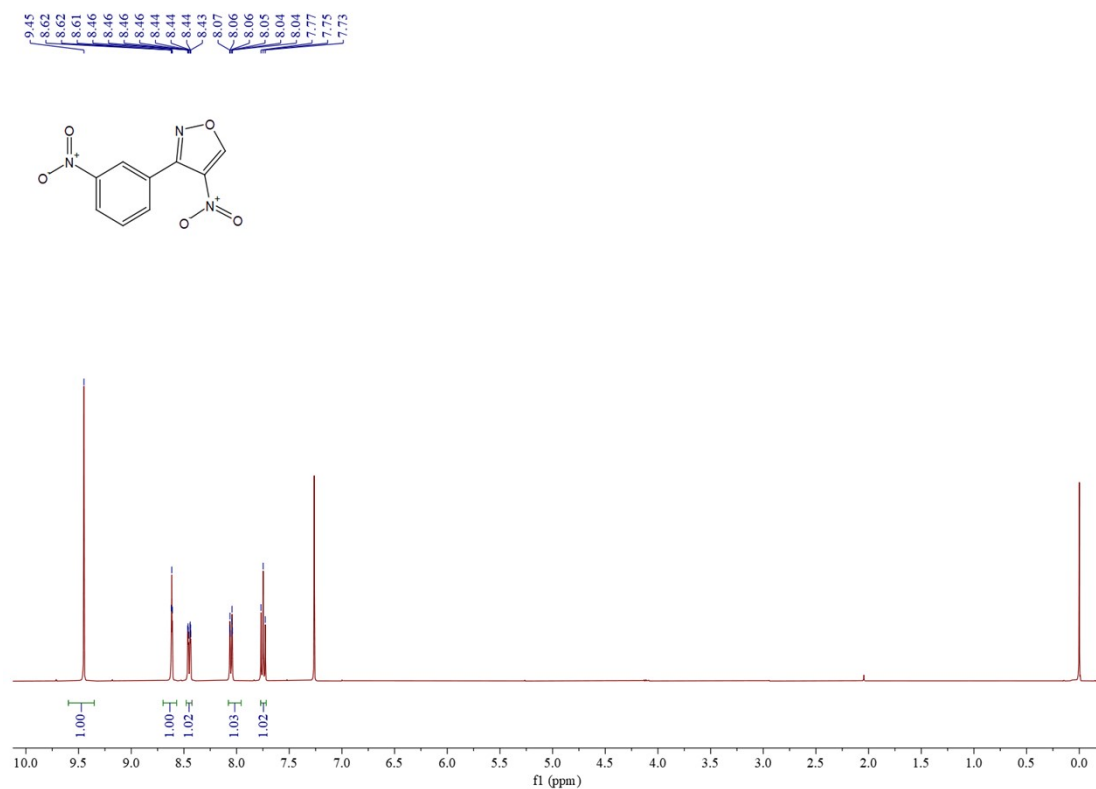


Fig. S93. ¹H NMR spectrum of compound **5w**

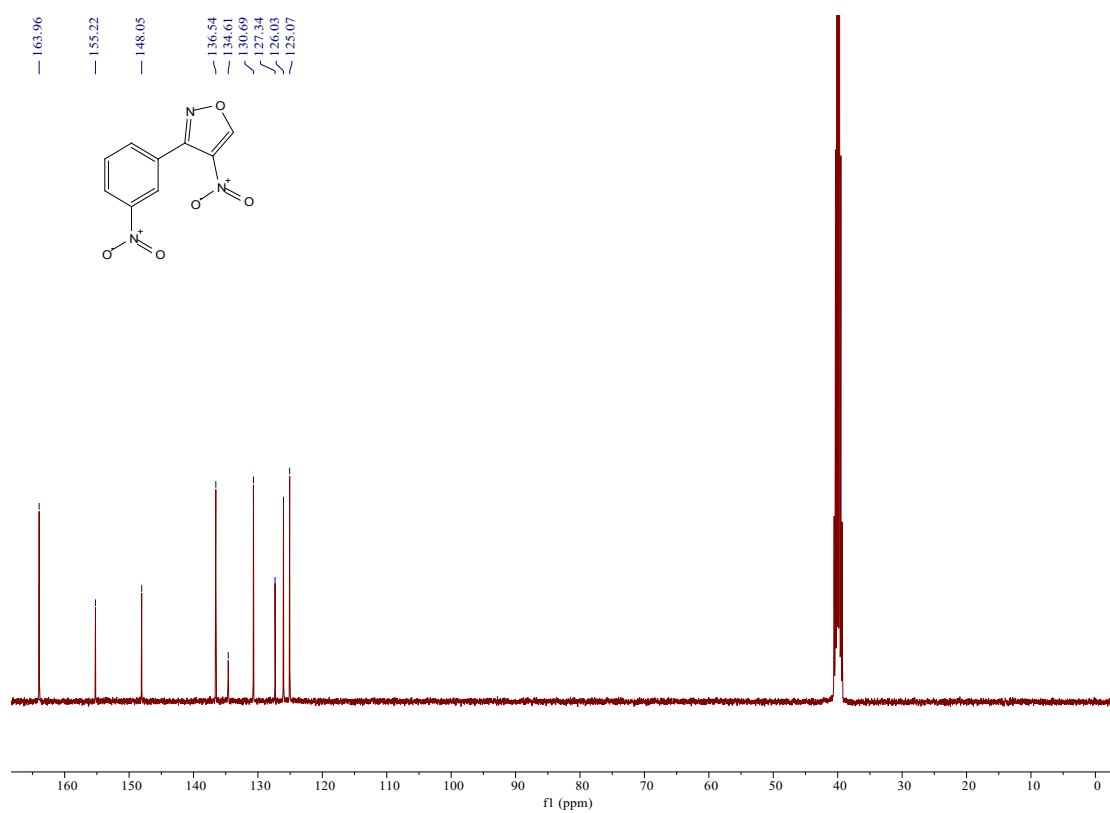


Fig. S94. ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound **5w**

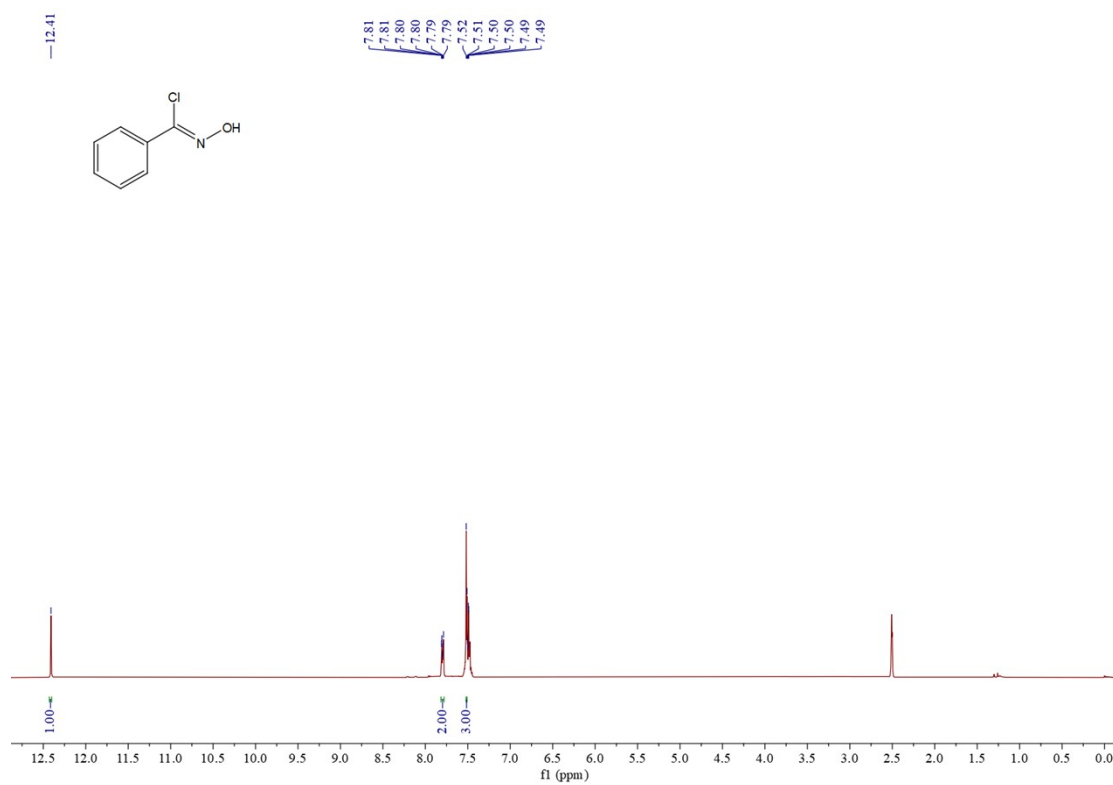


Fig. S95. ¹H NMR spectrum of compound 6