

*Supporting Information*

## Selective and controllable amination and defluoroamidation of $\alpha$ -trifluoromethylstyrene

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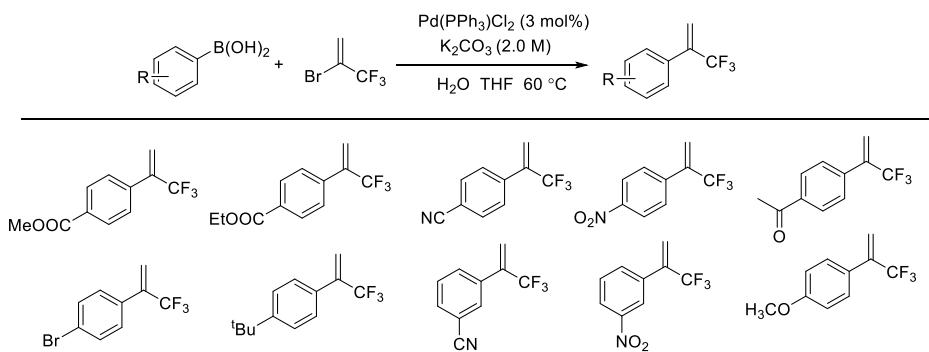
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## **1. General information**

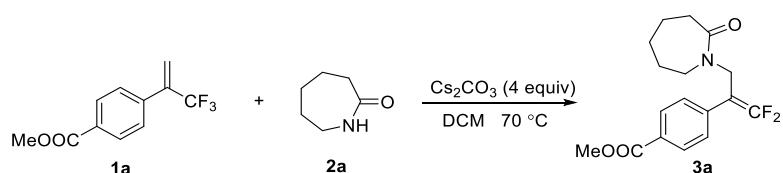
The starting materials were purchased by Energy and Aladdin and used as specified, without further purification. All reactions were performed in 25 mL dry pressure-resistant tubes at room temperature. Thin layer chromatography (TLC) was performed using silica gel GF254 precoated plates (0.5 mm). For column chromatography, 200-300 mesh silica gel.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra were measured on a 600 MHz Bruker Avance III NMR instrument using  $\text{CDCl}_3$  or  $\text{DMSO}-d_6$  as solvent, with tetramethylsilane (TMS) as internal standard, and chemical shifts ( $\delta$ ) were expressed in ppm. Preparation of  $\alpha$ -(trifluoromethyl)styrene according to the procedure reported in the literature.

## 2. General procedure for the synthesis of the $\alpha$ -trifluoromethylstyrenes<sup>1</sup>



In a pressure-resistant tube equipped with a magnetic stirring bar,  $\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)\text{Cl}_2$  (105.15 mg, 3 mol%) , boric acid (5 mmol, 1.0 eq.) and  $\text{K}_2\text{CO}_3$  (2.0 M, 10 mL) and THF (15 mL) were added to tube, and then 2-bromo-3,3,3-trifluoropropene (1.04 mL, 10 mmol, 2.0 equiv) was added by syringe, which was stirred overnight under nitrogen atmosphere at 60°C. The obtained mixture was cooled to room temperature and extracted with EtOAc (3 X 15 mL), the combined organic phases were dried over anhydrous  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ , filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The mixture was then purified by silica gel column chromatography to obtain the desired corresponding trifluoromethyl olefin derivatives.

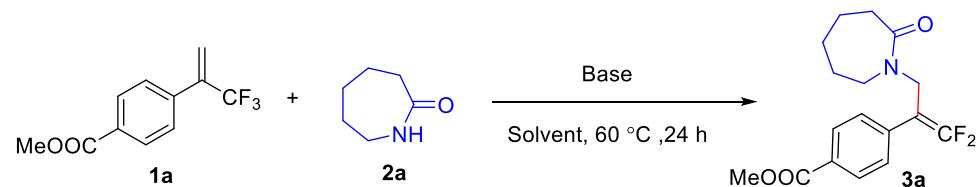
## 3. General procedure for the defluoroamidation of $\alpha$ -trifluoromethylstyrene



The general procedure for the aminolysis reaction: A pressure-resistant tube equipped with a stirring bar was charged with the base (0.8 mmol 4 equiv), p-methoxycarbonyl (trifluoromethyl)styrenes **1a** (0.4 mmol, 2 equiv), amide **2a** (0.2 mmol, 1 equiv) and DCM (0.5 mL), and then the vial evacuated under high vacuum and backfilled with N2 (10 times pumped gas). The resulting mixture was stirred at 70 °C for 24 hours. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, ethyl acetate/petroleum ether = 1:3 to 1:5 as eluent) to give the desired **3a** product.

## 4. Optimization of reaction conditions for the defluoroamidation of $\alpha$ -trifluoromethylstyrene

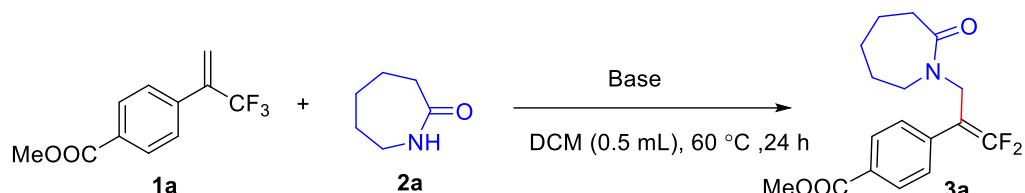
**Table S1.** The optimization of solvents <sup>a</sup>



Entry	Base	Solvent	Yield (%) <sup>b</sup>
1	Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	MeCN	n.r.
2	Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	DMF	11
3	Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	DMA	n.r.
4	Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	DMSO	n.r.
5	Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	Acetone	n.r.
6	Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	Benzene	16
7	Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	PhCF <sub>3</sub>	9
8	Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	DCE	11
9	Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	DCM	31
10	Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	Hexane	18
11 <sup>c</sup>	Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	DCM	48
12 <sup>d</sup>	Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	DCM	35
13 <sup>e</sup>	Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	DCM	16

<sup>a</sup> Reaction conditions: **1a** (0.2 mmol 1 equiv), **2a** (0.4 mmol 2 equiv), base (2 equiv) in 25 mL Schlenk tube in the solvents (2 mL) at 60 °C under N<sub>2</sub> for 24 h. <sup>b</sup> Isolated yield. <sup>c</sup> DCM (0.5 mL) <sup>d</sup> DCM (1 mL) <sup>e</sup> DCM (3 mL). n.r. = no reaction.

**Table S2.** The optimization of reaction condition <sup>a</sup>



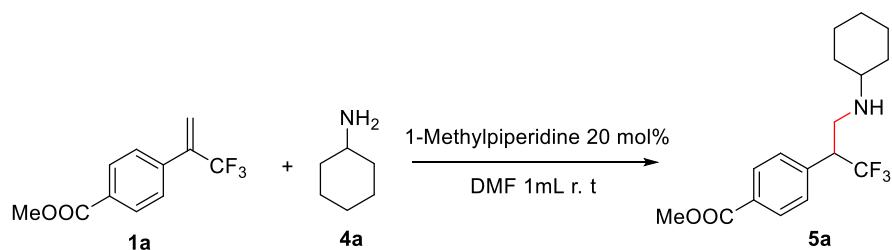
Entry	Base	Solvent	Yield(%) <sup>b</sup>
1	Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	DCM	48
2	K'OBu	DCM	6
3	Na <sup>t</sup> OBu	DCM	18
4	Li <sup>t</sup> OBu	DCM	46
5	NaOH	DCM	16
6	NaH	DCM	11
7	K <sub>3</sub> PO <sub>4</sub>	DCM	12
8	K <sub>2</sub> HPO <sub>4</sub>	DCM	-
9	Na <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	DCM	-
10	NaHCO <sub>3</sub>	DCM	-
11	NEt <sub>3</sub>	DCM	-
12	2,6-Lutidine	DCM	-
13	Collidine	DCM	-
14	TMG	DCM	-
15	DBU	DCM	16
16	DBN	DCM	-
17	DABCO	DCM	-
18	TMEDA	DCM	-
19	DIPEA	DCM	-
20 <sup>c</sup>	Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub> (3 equiv)	DCM	52
21 <sup>d</sup>	Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub> (4 equiv)	DCM	58
22 <sup>e</sup>	Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub> (5 equiv)	DCM	Trace
23 <sup>f</sup>	Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub> (4 equiv)	DCM	63
24 <sup>g</sup>	Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub> (4 equiv)	DCM	32
25 <sup>f,h</sup>	Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub> (4 equiv)	DCM	70
26 <sup>f,g,i</sup>	Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub> (4 equiv)	DCM	30

<sup>a</sup> Reaction conditions: **1a** (0.2 mmol 1 equiv), **2a** (0.4 mmol 2 equiv), base (2 equiv) in 25 mL Schlenk tube in DCM (0.5 mL) at 60 °C under N<sub>2</sub> for 24 h. <sup>b</sup> Isolated yield.

<sup>c</sup> Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>(3 equiv) <sup>d</sup> Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>(4 equiv) <sup>e</sup> Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>(5 equiv) <sup>f</sup> **1a**:**2a**=2:1. <sup>g</sup> **1a**:**2a**=3:1 <sup>h</sup> 70 °C

<sup>i</sup> 80 °C

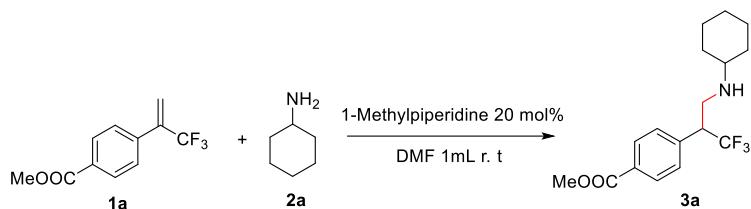
## 5. General procedure for the amination of $\alpha$ -trifluoromethylstyrene



A mixture of catalyst (N-methylpiperidine (20 mol%), *p*-Methoxycarbonyl (Trifluoromethyl)styrenes **1a** (0.2 mmol, 1 equiv), amine **4a** (0.4 mmol, 2 equiv) in DMF (1 mL) was added to a 25 mL oven-dried reaction tube and stirred at room temperature for 24 h. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, ethyl acetate/petroleum ether = 1:10 to 1:5 as eluent) to obtain the desired product.

## 6. Optimization of reaction conditions for the amination of $\alpha$ -trifluoromethylstyrene

**Table S3.** Screening of reaction conditions<sup>a</sup>

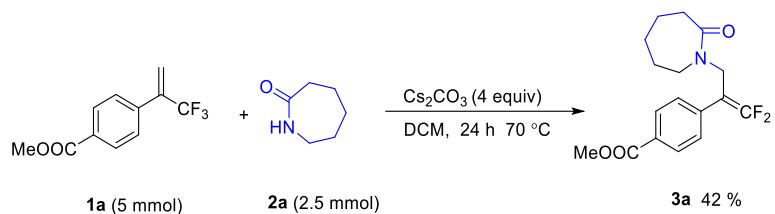


Entry	Base	Solvent	Yield% <sup>b</sup>
1	Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	DMF	38
2	Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	DMA	34
3	Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	DMSO	27
4	Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	Ethyl acetate	16
5	Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	Benzene	22
6	Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	Acetone	10
7	Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	DCE	14
8	NaOH	DMF	37
9	Na <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	DMF	48
10	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	DMF	30
11	K <sub>3</sub> PO <sub>4</sub>	DMF	33
12	K <sub>2</sub> HPO <sub>4</sub>	DMF	54

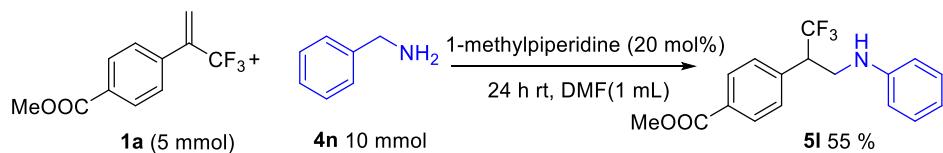
13	$\text{KH}_2\text{PO}_4$	DMF	65
14	2,6-Lutidine	DMF	56
15	DIPEA	DMF	62
16	$\text{Et}_3\text{N}$	DMF	61
17	N-Methylpiperidine	DMF	70
18	N-Methylpiperidine	DMF	85

<sup>a</sup> Reaction conditions: **1a** (0.2 mmol 1 equiv), **2a**(0.4 mmol), In solvent(1 mL) in a 25 mL Schlenk tube at room temperature for 24 h. <sup>b</sup>Isolated yield.

## 7. Gram-scale reaction

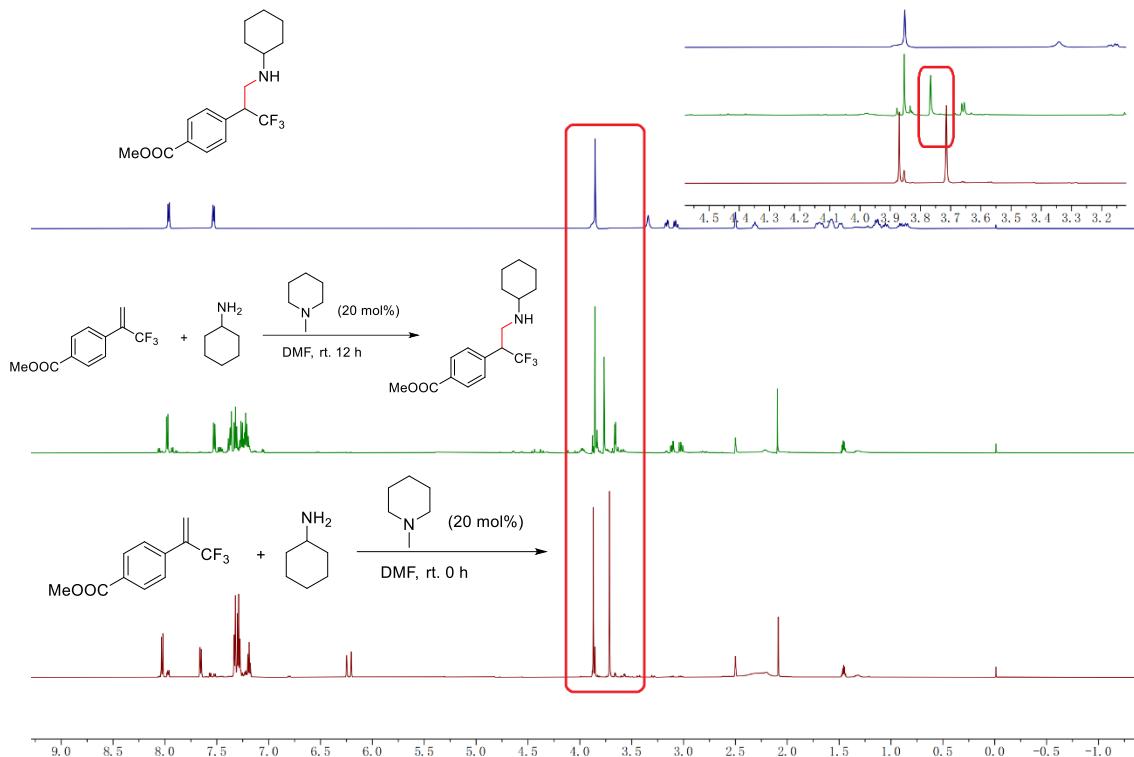


A pressure-resistant tube equipped with a stirring bar was charged with the base (0.8 mmol 4 equiv), *p*-methoxycarbonyl (trifluoromethyl)styrenes **1a** (5 mmol, 2 equiv.), amide **2a** (2.5 mmol, 1 equiv.) and DCM (6.5 mL), and then the vial evacuated under high vacuum and backfilled with  $\text{N}_2$  (10 times pumped gas). The resulting mixture was stirred at 70 °C for 24 hours. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, ethyl acetate/petroleum ether = 1:3 to 1:5 as eluent) to give the desired **3a** product.



To a 50-mL oven-dried glass flask with magnetic stir bar were successively added catalyst (N-methylpiperidine (20 mol%)), *p*-Methoxycarbonyl (Trifluoromethyl)styrenes **1a** (5 mmol, 1 equiv.), amine **4a** (10 mmol, 2 equiv.) and DMF (10 mL), and then the resulted mixture was stirred at room temperature for 24 h. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, ethyl acetate/petroleum ether = 1:10 to 1:5 as eluent) to obtain the desired product.

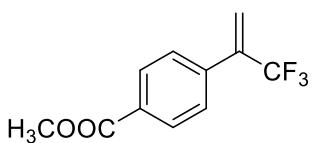
## 8. Exploration of the reaction mechanism



**Figure S1** Exploration the mechanism of amine and  $\alpha$ -(trifluoromethyl)styrenes

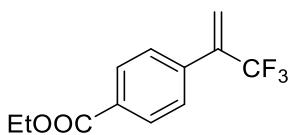
According to <sup>1</sup>H NMR experiments for mixtures of substrates and after reaction for 12 hours, the obvious changes of the chemical shifts of the methyl for 1-methylpiperidine was observed, and we hypothesized the changes may attributed to the hydrogen bond between 1-methylpiperidine and secondary amine, which increased the nucleophilicity of secondary amine.

### Methyl 4-(3,3,3-trifluoroprop-1-en-2-yl)benzoate<sup>2</sup>



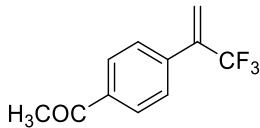
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ(ppm) = 8.05 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.53 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 6.04 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 5.86 (d, *J* = 1.7 Hz, 1H), 3.93 (s, 3H). Data in accordance with the literature.

### Ethyl 4-(3,3,3-trifluoroprop-1-en-2-yl)benzoate<sup>3</sup>



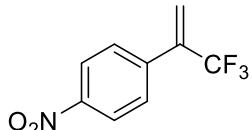
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ(ppm) = 8.08 – 8.04 (m, 2H), 7.53 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 6.05 (t, *J* = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 5.86 (d, *J* = 1.7 Hz, 1H), 4.40 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 1.40 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H).

**1-(4-(3,3,3-Trifluoroprop-1-en-2-yl)phenyl)ethan-1-one<sup>4</sup>**



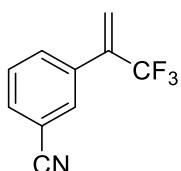
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ(ppm) = 7.87 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.46 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 5.96 (s, 1H), 5.78 (s, 1H), 2.52 (s, 3H).

**1-Nitro-4-(3,3,3-trifluoroprop-1-en-2-yl)benzene<sup>5</sup>**



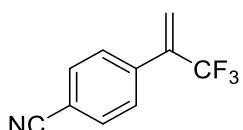
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ(ppm) = 8.26 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.65 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 6.16 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 5.95 (d, *J* = 1.7 Hz, 1H).

**3-(3,3,3-Trifluoroprop-1-en-2-yl)benzonitrile<sup>6</sup>**



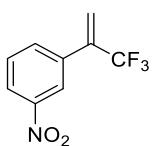
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ(ppm) = 7.74 (d, *J* = 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.69 (dt, *J* = 8.0, 1.6 Hz, 2H), 7.53 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.09 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 5.85 (q, *J* = 1.7 Hz, 1H).

**4-(3,3,3-Trifluoroprop-1-en-2-yl)benzonitrile<sup>1</sup>**



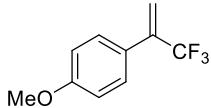
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**1-Nitro-3-(3,3,3-trifluoroprop-1-en-2-yl)benzene**



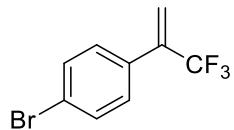
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**1-Methoxy-4-(3,3,3-trifluoroprop-1-en-2-yl)benzene<sup>2</sup>**



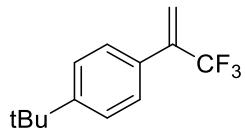
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**1-Bromo-4-(3,3,3-trifluoroprop-1-en-2-yl)benzene<sup>2</sup>**

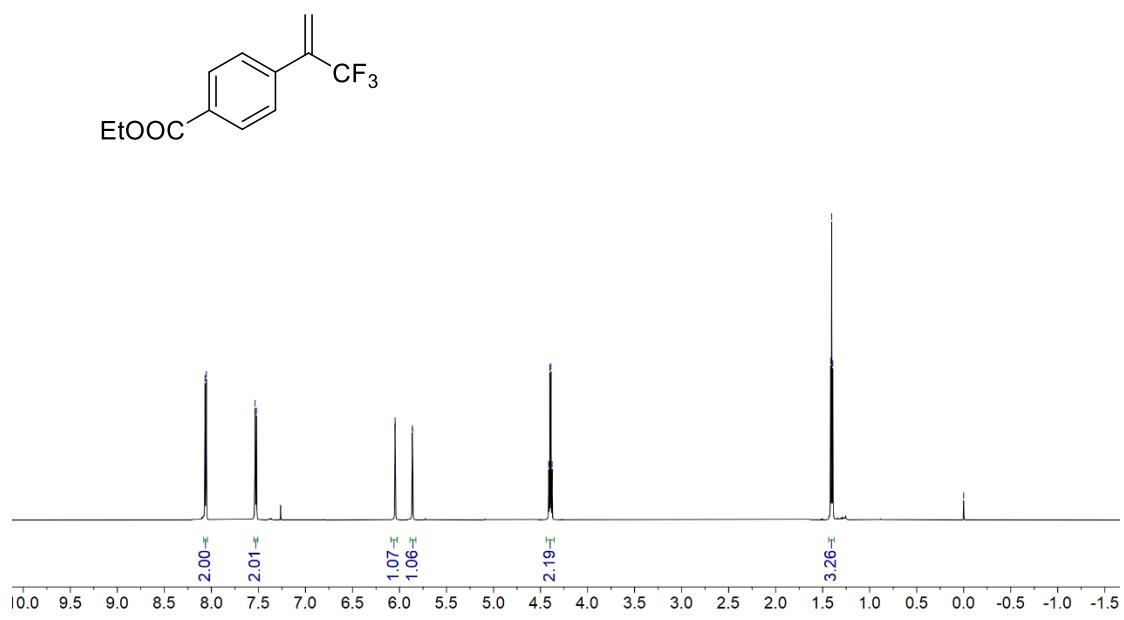
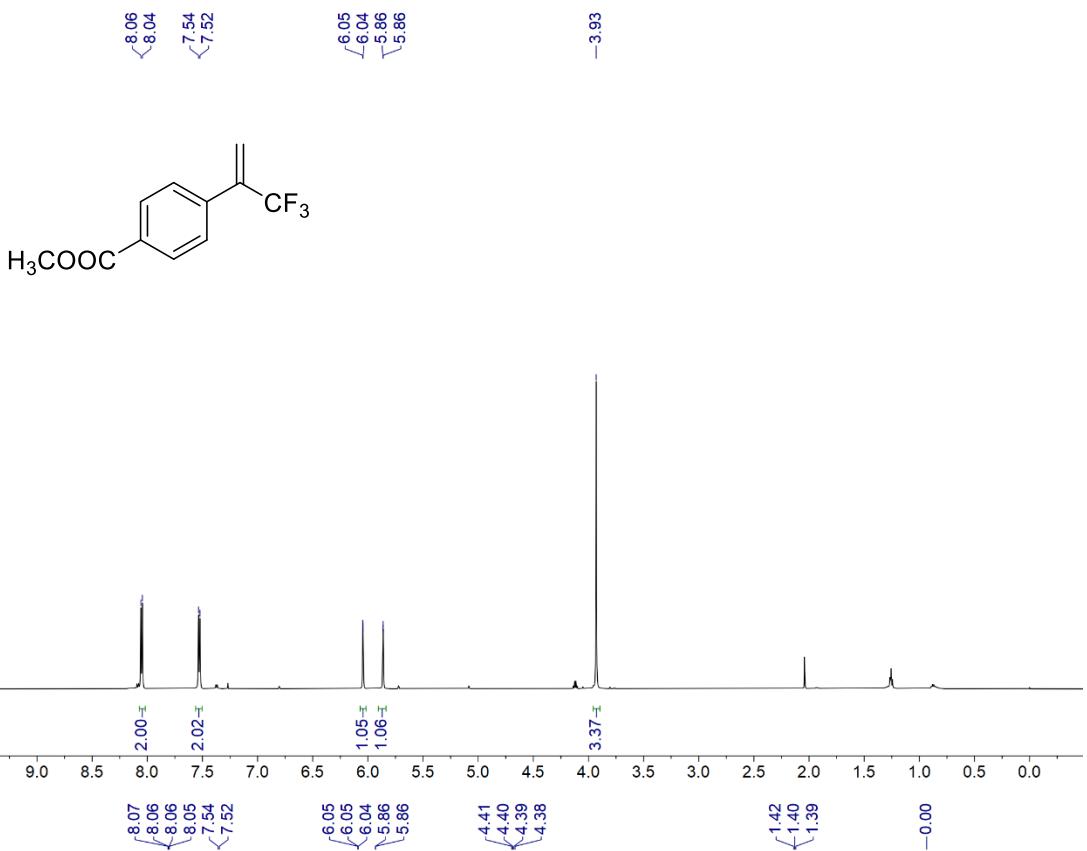


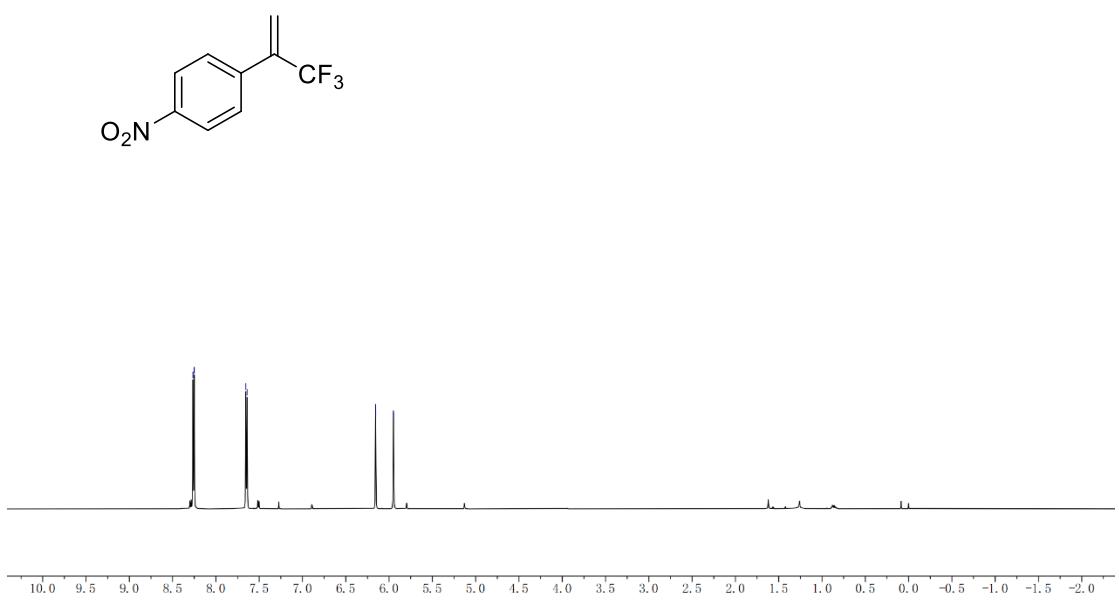
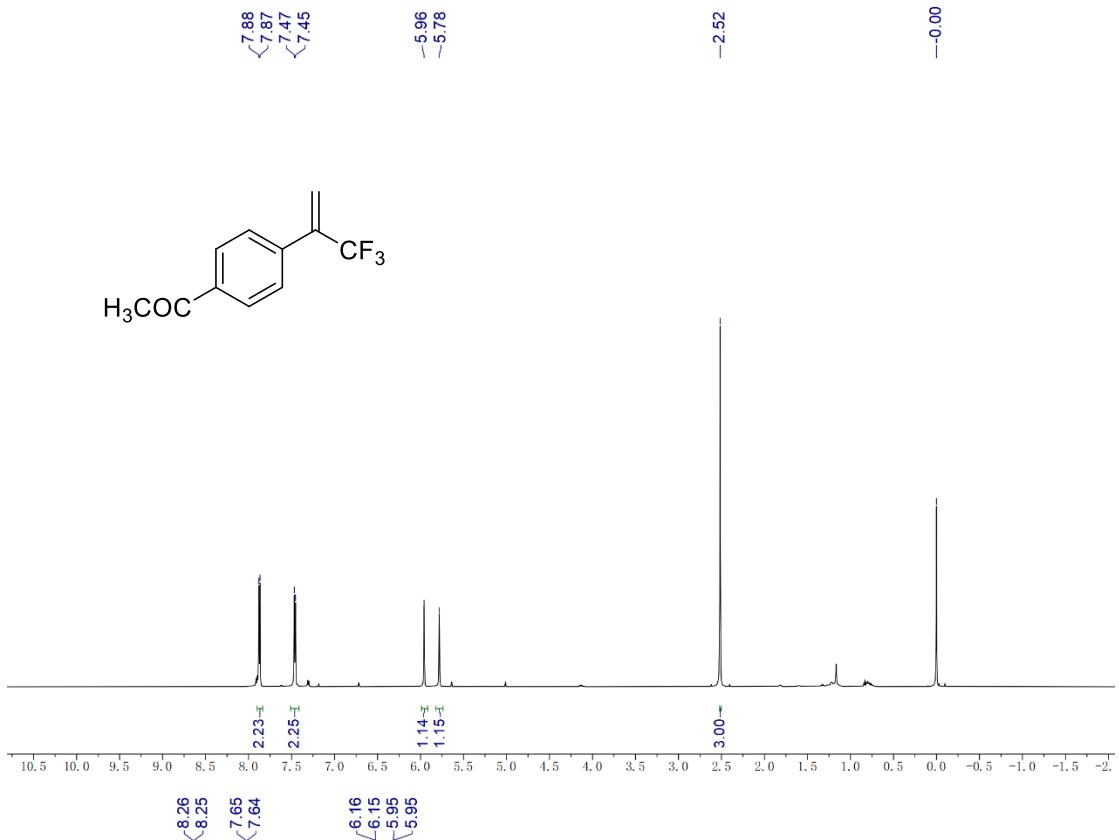
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ(ppm) = 7.52 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.32 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 5.98 (s, 1H), 5.77 (s, 1H).

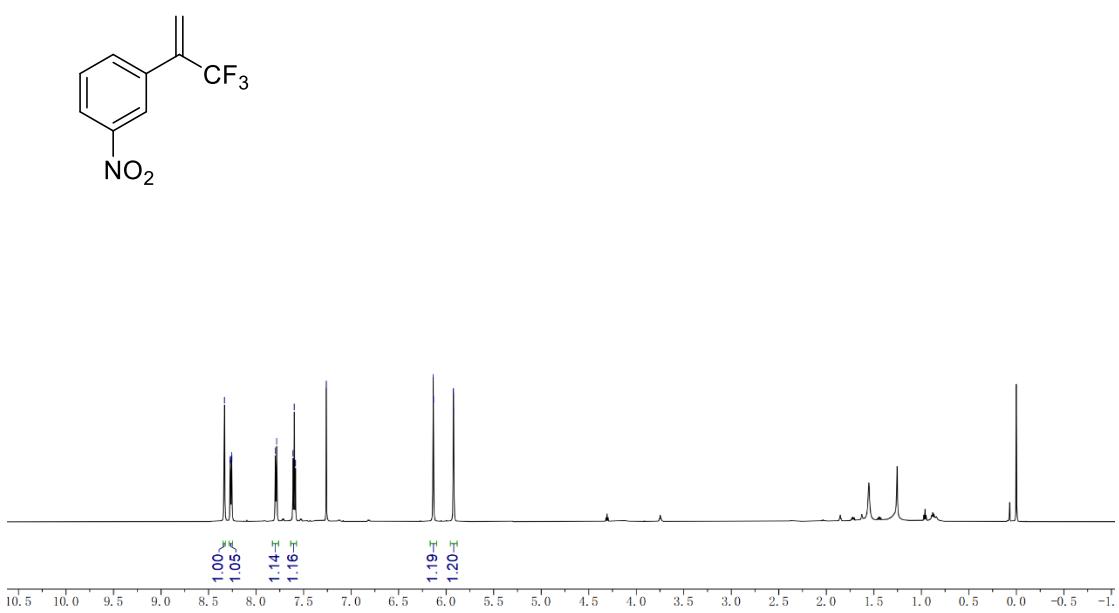
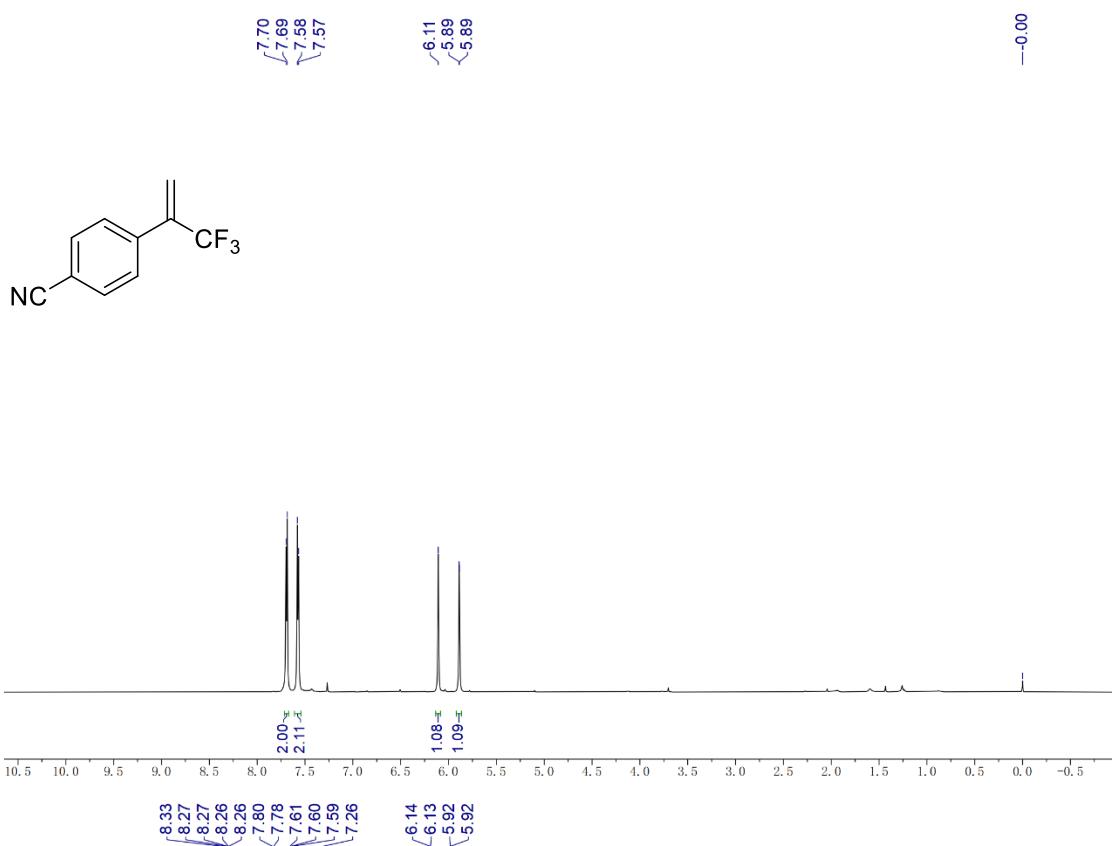
**1-(Tert-butyl)-4-(3,3,3-trifluoroprop-1-en-2-yl)benzene<sup>2</sup>**

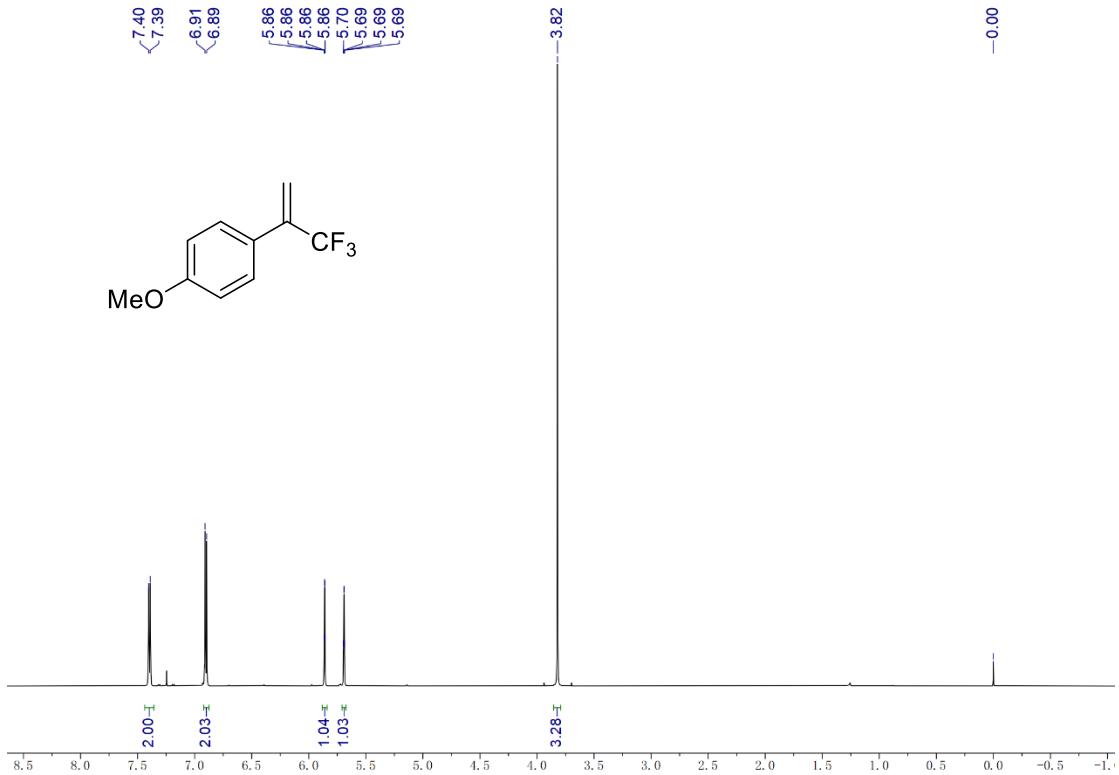
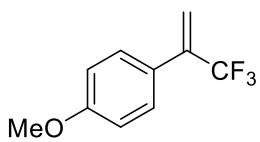


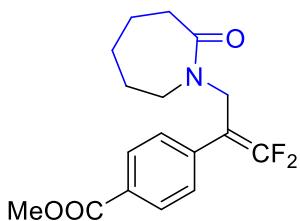
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ(ppm) = 7.40 (s, 4H), 5.91 (d, *J* = 1.3 Hz, 1H), 5.76 (d, *J* = 1.7 Hz, 1H), 1.33 (s, 9H).



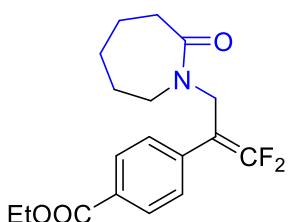




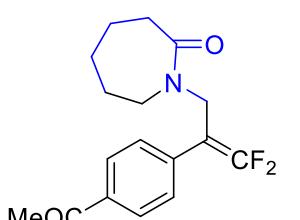




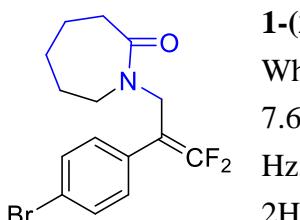
**4-(1,1-difluoro-3-(2-oxoazepan-1-yl)prop-1-en-2-yl)phenyl acetate (**3a**)** White solid, yield 70%.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ (ppm) = 8.01 (d,  $J$  = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.48 (d,  $J$  = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 4.56 (t,  $J$  = 2.1 Hz, 2H), 3.91 (s, 3H), 3.21 – 3.17 (m, 2H), 2.42 – 2.39 (m, 2H), 1.57 – 1.53 (m, 2H), 1.46 – 1.43 (m, 2H), 1.38 – 1.36 (m, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (151 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ (ppm) = 175.99, 166.65, 155.28 (dd,  $J$  = 296.5, 291.6 Hz), 135.92 (t,  $J$  = 3.9 Hz), 129.61, 129.31, 128.31 (t,  $J$  = 3.7 Hz), 90.36 (dd,  $J$  = 18.3, 11.6 Hz), 52.11, 47.57, 42.48, 37.04, 29.71, 27.81, 23.07.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (565 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ (ppm) = -84.70 (d,  $J$  = 32.2 Hz, 1F), -87.44 (d,  $J$  = 32.1 Hz, 1F). HRMS (ESI) for  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{20}\text{F}_2\text{NO}_3^+$  [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calcd. 324.1406, found 324.1404



**Ethyl 4-(1,1-difluoro-3-(2-oxoazepan-1-yl)prop-1-en-2-yl)benzoate (**3b**)** White solid, yield 45%.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ (ppm) = 8.02 (d,  $J$  = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.48 (d,  $J$  = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 4.56 (t,  $J$  = 2.1 Hz, 2H), 4.37 (q,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 3.28 – 3.13 (m, 2H), 2.53 – 2.29 (m, 2H), 1.61 – 1.55 (m, 2H), 1.49 – 1.43 (m, 2H), 1.42 – 1.35 (m, 5H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (151 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ (ppm) = 175.97, 166.17, 155.29 (dd,  $J$  = 296.3, 291.5 Hz), 135.82 (t,  $J$  = 3.8 Hz), 129.72, 129.59, 128.30 (t,  $J$  = 3.7 Hz), 90.40 (dd,  $J$  = 18.3, 11.6 Hz), 77.21, 77.00, 76.79, 60.99, 47.61, 42.57, 37.06, 29.72, 27.84, 23.11, 14.28.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (565 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ (ppm) = -84.81 (d,  $J$  = 32.1 Hz, 1F), -87.58 (d,  $J$  = 32.5 Hz, 1F). HRMS (ESI) for  $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{22}\text{F}_2\text{NO}_3^+$  [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calcd. 338.1562, found 338.1550

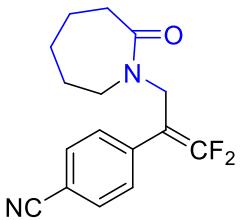


**1-(2-(4-acetylphenyl)-3,3-difluoroallyl)azepan-2-one (**3c**)** White solid, yield 42%.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ (ppm) = 7.94 (d,  $J$  = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.52 (d,  $J$  = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 4.57 (s, 2H), 3.23 – 3.20 (m, 2H), 2.60 (s, 3H), 2.42 – 2.39 (m, 2H), 1.65 – 1.52 (m, 2H), 1.48 – 1.39 (m, 4H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (151 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ (ppm) = 197.53, 176.07, 155.38 (dd,  $J$  = 296.7, 291.9 Hz), 136.18, 136.10, 128.53 (t,  $J$  = 3.3 Hz), 128.39, 90.37 (dd,  $J$  = 18.3, 11.4 Hz), 47.59, 42.47, 37.04, 29.72, 27.83, 26.56, 23.10.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (565 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ (ppm) = -84.50 (d,  $J$  = 31.9 Hz, 1F), -87.28 (d,  $J$  = 31.8 Hz, 1F). HRMS (ESI) for  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{20}\text{F}_2\text{NO}_2^+$  [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calcd. 308.1457, found 308.1452.

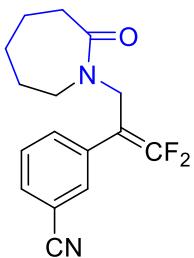


**1-(2-(4-bromophenyl)-3,3-difluoroallyl)azepan-2-one (**3d**)** White solid, Yield 28%.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ (ppm) = 7.63 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.54 (d,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 4.54 (t,  $J$  = 2.2 Hz, 2H), 3.22 – 3.17 (m, 2H), 2.43 – 2.38 (m, 2H), 1.61 – 1.57 (m, 2H), 1.48 – 1.44 (m, 2H), 1.41 – 1.37 (m, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (151 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ (ppm) = 176.08, 155.50 (dd,  $J$  = 297.6, 292.8 Hz), 136.10, 132.15, 129.03 (t,  $J$  = 3.8 Hz), 118.51, 111.49, 90.21 (dd,  $J$  = 18.8, 11.0 Hz), 47.60, 42.25, 36.99, 29.69,

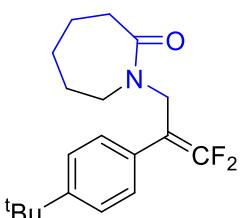
27.87, 23.11.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (565 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  (ppm) = -83.61 (d,  $J$  = 30.0 Hz, 1F), -86.20 (d,  $J$  = 29.7 Hz, 1F). HRMS (ESI) for  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{17}\text{BrF}_2\text{NO}^+$  [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calcd. 344.0456, found 344.0451.



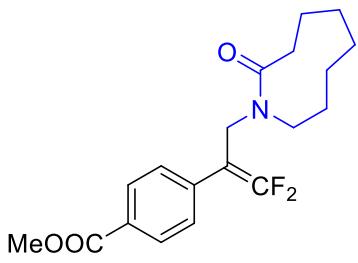
**4-(1,1-difluoro-3-(2-oxoazepan-1-yl)prop-1-en-2-yl)benzonitrile (3e)** White solid, Yield 38%.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  (ppm) = 7.64 (d,  $J$  = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.54 (d,  $J$  = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 4.55 (t,  $J$  = 2.1 Hz, 2H), 3.22 – 3.18 (m, 2H), 2.44 – 2.39 (m, 2H), 1.62 – 1.56 (m, 2H), 1.50 – 1.43 (m, 2H), 1.43 – 1.36 (m, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (151 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  (ppm) = 176.08, 155.50 (dd,  $J$  = 297.7, 292.7 Hz), 136.10 (t,  $J$  = 4.1 Hz), 132.15, 129.02 (t,  $J$  = 3.9 Hz), 118.51, 111.49, 90.31, 90.24, 90.18, 90.11, 77.21, 77.00, 76.79, 47.60, 42.24 (d,  $J$  = 3.2 Hz), 36.99, 29.68, 27.87, 23.10.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (565 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  (ppm) = -83.61 (d,  $J$  = 30.0 Hz, 1F), -86.20 (d,  $J$  = 30.0 Hz, 1F). HRMS (ESI) for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{17}\text{F}_2\text{N}_2\text{O}^+$  [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calcd. 291.1303, found 291.1294.



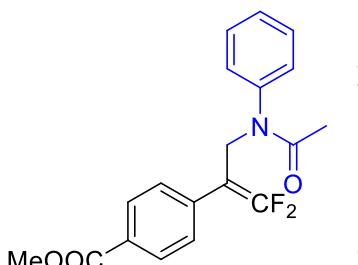
**3-(1,1-difluoro-3-(2-oxoazepan-1-yl)prop-1-en-2-yl)benzonitrile (3f)** White solid, yield 35%.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  (ppm) = 7.71 – 7.64 (m, 2H), 7.61 – 7.54 (m, 1H), 7.48 (t,  $J$  = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 4.52 (t,  $J$  = 2.2 Hz, 2H), 3.24 – 3.20 (m, 2H), 2.43 – 2.39 (m, 2H), 1.64 – 1.58 (m, 2H), 1.48 (p,  $J$  = 5.6, 5.1 Hz, 2H), 1.45 – 1.40 (m, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (151 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  (ppm) = 176.01, 155.34 (dd,  $J$  = 295.9, 292.0 Hz), 132.71 (t,  $J$  = 3.3 Hz), 132.05 (dd,  $J$  = 5.2, 2.6 Hz), 131.29, 129.34, 118.38, 112.75, 89.60 (dd,  $J$  = 19.3, 11.6 Hz), 47.77, 42.61 (d,  $J$  = 3.3 Hz), 36.94, 29.68, 27.91, 23.12.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (565 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  (ppm) = -84.99 (d,  $J$  = 32.0 Hz, 1F), -87.39 (d,  $J$  = 32.6 Hz, 1F). HRMS (ESI) for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{17}\text{F}_2\text{N}_2\text{O}^+$  [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calcd. 291.1303, found 291.1304.



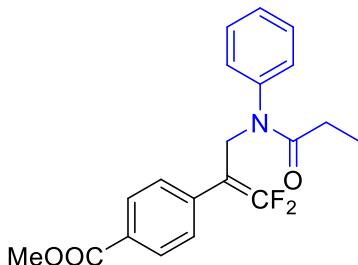
**1-(2-(4-(tert-butyl)phenyl)-3,3-difluoroallyl)azepan-2-one (3g)** White solid, yield 42%.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  (ppm) = 7.36 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.32 (d,  $J$  = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 4.51 (s, 2H), 3.20 – 3.18 (m, 2H), 2.44 – 2.41 (m, 2H), 1.60 – 1.53 (m, 2H), 1.50 – 1.43 (m, 2H), 1.42 – 1.35 (m, 2H), 1.30 (s, 9H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (151 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  (ppm) = 175.94, 154.99 (dd,  $J$  = 294.2, 289.8 Hz), 150.61, 127.88, 127.86 (t,  $J$  = 3.1 Hz), 125.28, 90.12 (dd,  $J$  = 17.4, 12.4 Hz), 47.41, 42.63, 37.11, 34.48, 31.17, 29.74, 27.61, 23.03.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (565 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  (ppm) = -85.89 (d,  $J$  = 35.5 Hz, 1F), -88.72 (d,  $J$  = 35.3 Hz, 1F). HRMS (ESI) for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{26}\text{F}_2\text{NO}^+$  [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calcd. 322.1977, found 322.1976.



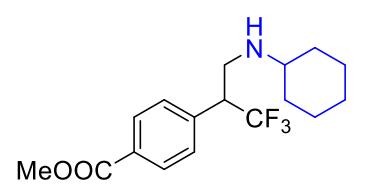
**4-(1,1-difluoro-3-(2-oxoazonan-1-yl)prop-1-en-2-yl)phenyl acetate (3h)** brown Solid, yield 23%.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  (ppm) = 8.00 (d,  $J$  = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.47 (d,  $J$  = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 4.56 (s, 2H), 3.91 (s, 3H), 3.33 (t,  $J$  = 5.9 Hz, 2H), 2.39 – 2.34 (m, 2H), 1.75 (s, 2H), 1.63 (s, 2H), 1.44 (d,  $J$  = 15.7 Hz, 6H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (151 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  (ppm) = 175.77, 166.59, 155.18 (dd,  $J$  = 296.0, 291.7 Hz), 135.89, 129.57, 129.26, 128.22 (t,  $J$  = 3.3 Hz), 89.64 (dd,  $J$  = 18.8, 12.3 Hz), 52.05, 46.02, 39.06, 34.84, 28.32, 26.03, 25.59, 24.60, 21.41.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (565 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  (ppm) = -84.52 (d,  $J$  = 32.1 Hz, 1F), -87.23 (d,  $J$  = 32.1 Hz, 1F). HRMS (ESI) for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{24}\text{F}_2\text{NO}_3^+ [\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  calcd. 352.1719, found 352.1723.



**4-(1,1-difluoro-3-(N-phenylacetamido)prop-1-en-2-yl)phenyl acetate (3i)** White liquid, yield 38%.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  (ppm) = 7.94 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.33 (d,  $J$  = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.27 – 7.24 (m, 3H), 6.77 (dd,  $J$  = 6.6, 3.0 Hz, 2H), 4.85 (s, 2H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 1.65 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (151 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  (ppm) = 170.58, 166.72, 155.41 (dd,  $J$  = 296.5, 292.7 Hz), 141.22, 136.14 (t,  $J$  = 4.2 Hz), 129.69, 129.57, 129.31, 128.35, 128.32, 128.29, 128.11, 89.71 (dd,  $J$  = 18.6, 12.9 Hz), 52.16, 43.65, 22.62.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (565 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  (ppm) = -85.04 (d,  $J$  = 28.7 Hz, 1F), -86.40 (d,  $J$  = 28.6 Hz, 1F). HRMS (ESI) for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{18}\text{F}_2\text{NO}_3^+ [\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  calcd. 346.1249, found 346.1251.

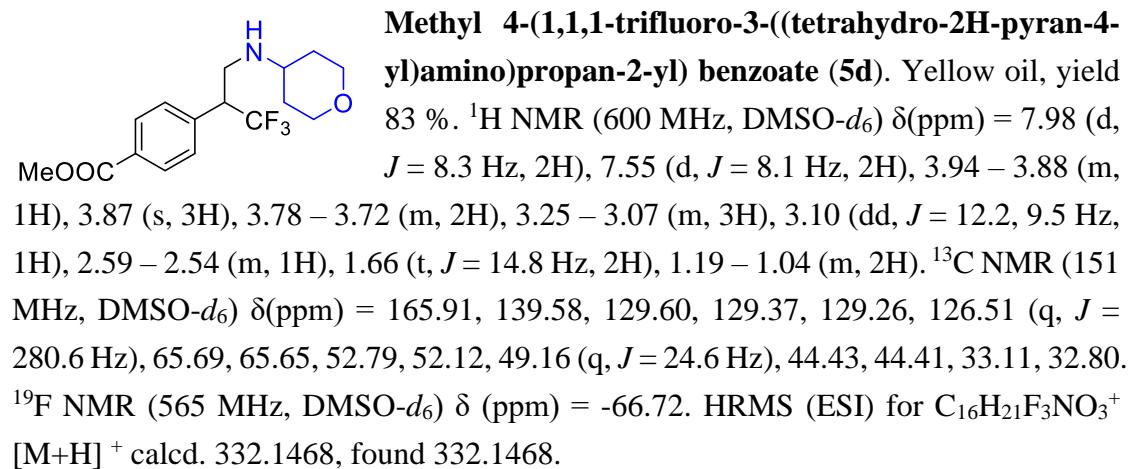
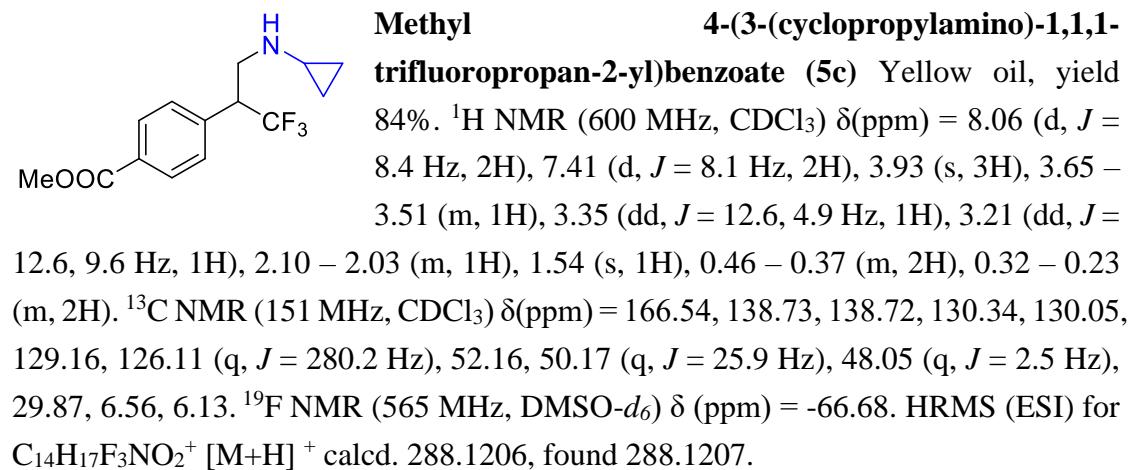
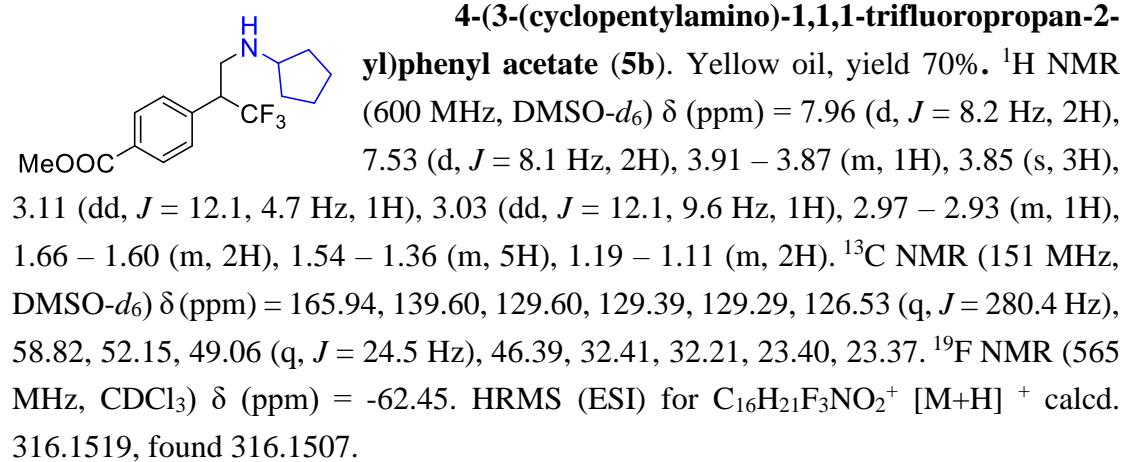


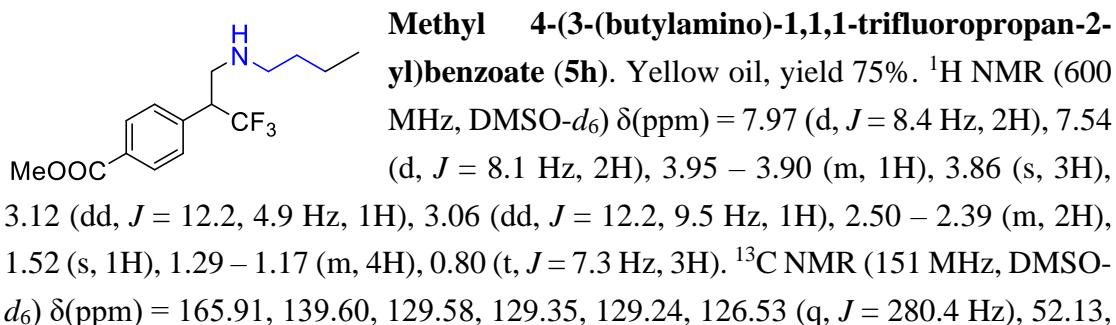
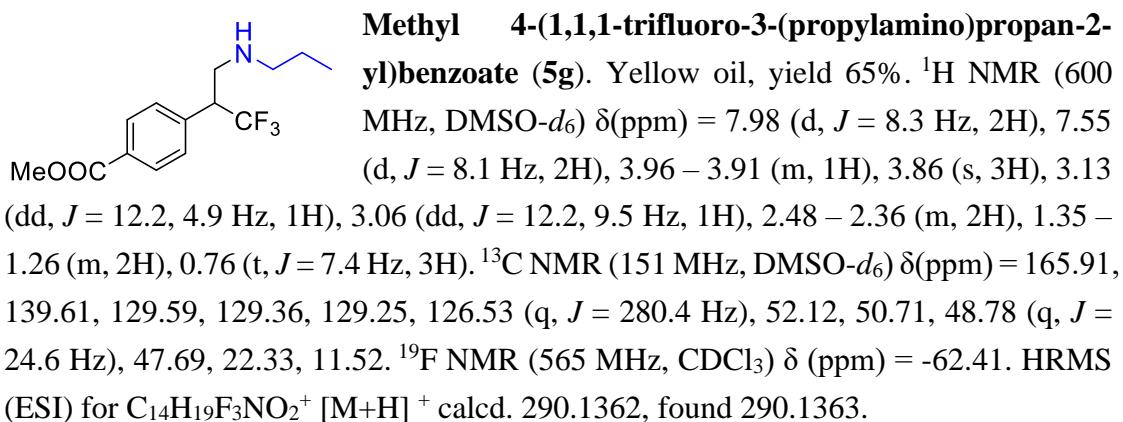
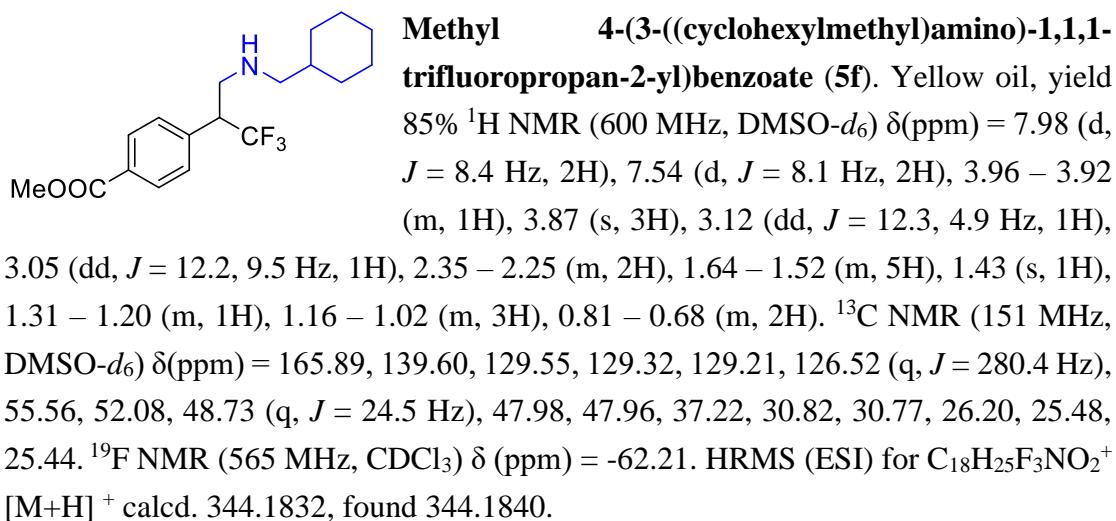
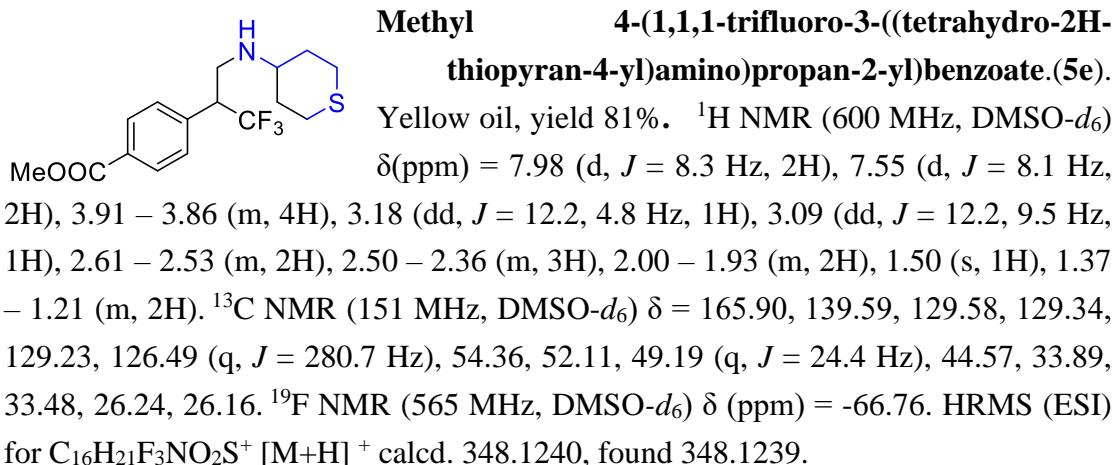
**4-(1,1-difluoro-3-(N-phenylpropionamido)prop-1-en-2-yl)phenyl acetate (3j)** Yellow solid yield 36%.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  (ppm) = 8.02 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.41 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.33 – 7.31 (m, 3H), 6.84 – 6.81 (m, 2H), 4.92 (t,  $J$  = 2.1 Hz, 2H), 3.93 (s, 3H), 1.91 (q,  $J$  = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 0.95 (t,  $J$  = 7.4 Hz, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (151 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  (ppm) = 173.96, 166.68, 155.32 (dd,  $J$  = 296.5, 292.5 Hz), 140.87, 136.18 (t,  $J$  = 4.0 Hz), 129.61, 129.49, 129.22, 128.30 (d,  $J$  = 3.0 Hz), 128.25, 128.19, 89.74 (dd,  $J$  = 18.8, 12.6 Hz), 52.10, 43.87, 27.70, 9.44.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (565 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  (ppm) = -85.13 (d,  $J$  = 28.9 Hz, 1F), -86.42 (d,  $J$  = 29.0 Hz, 1F). HRMS (ESI) for  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{20}\text{F}_2\text{NO}_3^+ [\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  calcd. 360.1406, found 360.1390.



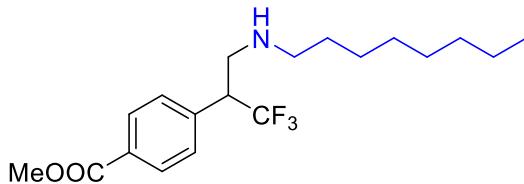
**4-(3-(cyclohexylamino)-1,1,1-trifluoropropan-2-yl)phenyl acetate (5a).** Yellow oil, yield 85%  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ )  $\delta$  (ppm) = 7.97 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.54 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.91 – 3.85 (m, 4H), 3.17 (dd,  $J$  = 12.1, 4.7 Hz, 1H), 3.08 (dd,  $J$  = 12.1, 9.6 Hz, 1H), 2.35 – 2.29 (m, 1H), 1.74 – 1.48

(m, 5H), 1.33 (s, 1H), 1.19 – 1.02 (m, 3H), 0.96 – 0.82 (m, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (151 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  (ppm) = 165.91, 139.61, 129.59, 129.35, 129.25, 126.52 (q,  $J$  = 280.4 Hz), 55.50, 52.13, 49.20 (q,  $J$  = 24.5 Hz), 44.82, 32.87, 32.49, 25.69, 24.30, 24.21.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (565 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  (ppm) = -66.76. HRMS (ESI) for  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{23}\text{F}_3\text{NO}_2^+ [\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  calcd. 360.1406, found 360.1390.



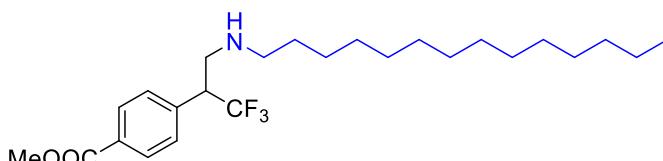


48.75 (q,  $J = 24.5$  Hz), 48.47, 47.78, 31.38, 19.74, 13.74.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (565 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  (ppm) = -66.78. HRMS (ESI) for  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{21}\text{F}_3\text{NO}_2^+$  [M+H] $^+$  calcd. 304.1519, found 304.1512.



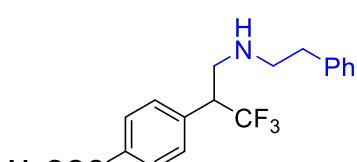
**Methyl 4-(1,1,1-trifluoro-3-octylamino)propan-2-ylbenzoate (5i)**  
Yellow oil, yield 42%.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  (ppm) = 7.97 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 2H), 7.54 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H), 3.95 – 3.91

(m, 1H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 3.12 (dd,  $J = 12.2, 4.8$  Hz, 1H), 3.06 (dd,  $J = 12.2, 9.6$  Hz, 1H), 2.49 – 2.37 (m, 2H), 1.44 (s, 1H), 1.31 – 1.11 (m, 12H), 0.84 (t,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (151 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  (ppm) = 165.88, 139.59, 129.57, 129.33, 129.22, 126.52 (q,  $J = 280.5$  Hz), 52.09, 52.07, 48.79 (d,  $J = 24.9$  Hz), 48.71, 47.71, , 31.19, 29.17, 28.79, 28.66, 26.59, 22.03, 13.83, 13.82.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (565 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  (ppm) = -66.82. HRMS (ESI) for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{29}\text{F}_3\text{NO}_2^+$  [M+H] $^+$  calcd. 360.2145, found 360.2146.

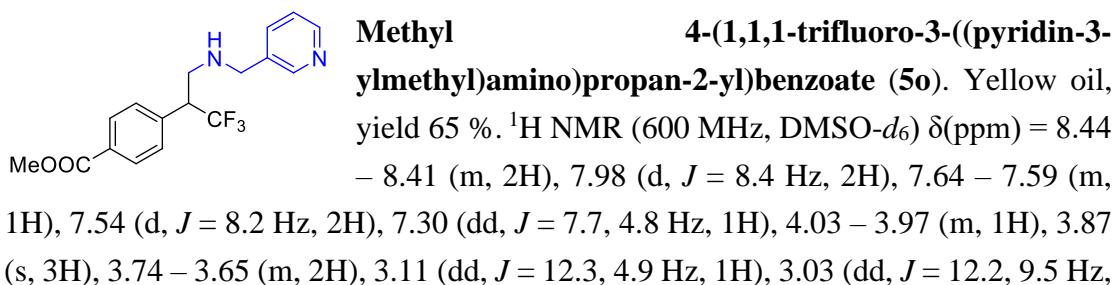
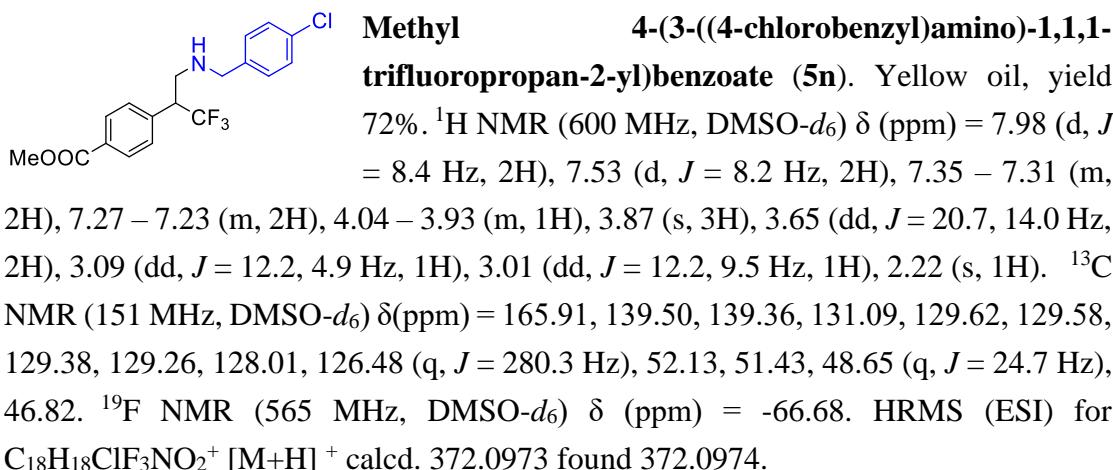
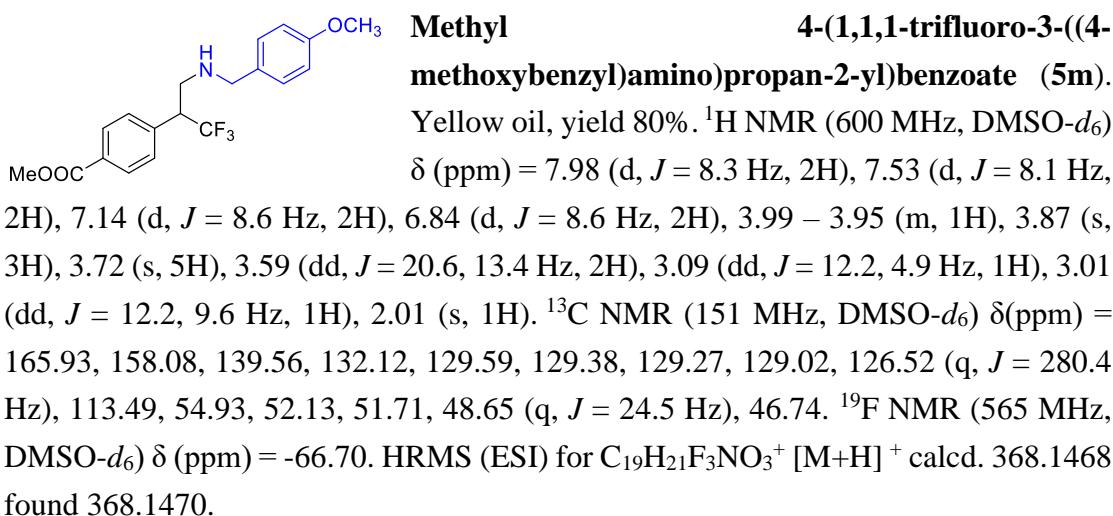
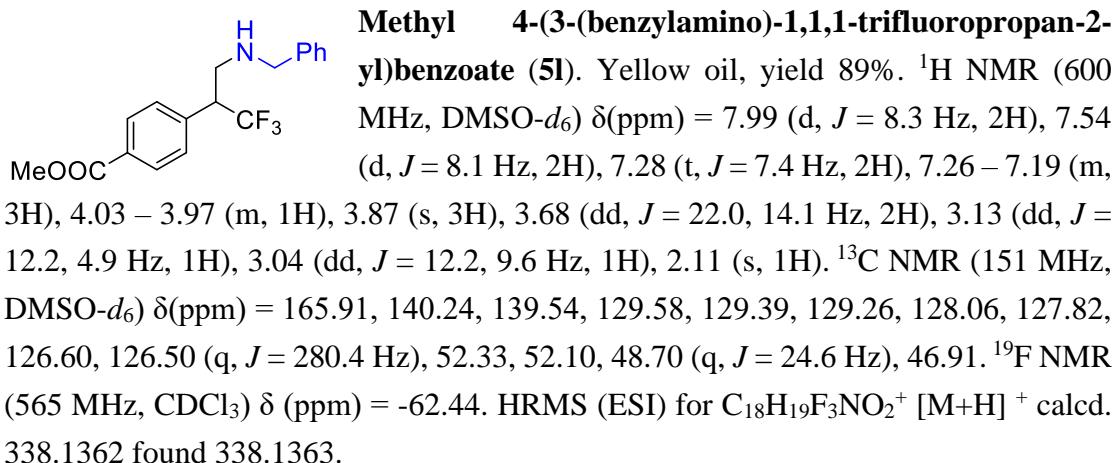


**Methyl 4-(1,1,1-trifluoro-3-tetradecylamino)propan-2-ylbenzoate (5j)** Yellow oil, yield 39%.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,

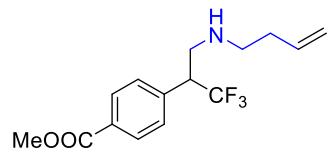
DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  (ppm) = 7.96 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 2H), 7.53 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 2H), 3.93 – 3.89 (m, 1H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 3.11 (dd,  $J = 12.2, 4.9$  Hz, 1H), 3.04 (dd,  $J = 12.2, 9.6$  Hz, 1H), 2.47 – 2.37 (m, 2H), 1.50 (s, 1H), 1.27 – 1.13 (m, 24H), 0.84 (t,  $J = 6.9$  Hz, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (151 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  (ppm) = 165.88, 139.58, 129.58, 129.33, 129.22, 126.51 (q,  $J = 280.5$  Hz), 52.11, 48.75 (q,  $J = 24.2$  Hz), 48.69, 47.69, 31.25, 29.13, 28.99, 28.97, 28.96, 28.91, 28.79, 28.65, 26.55, 22.04, 13.88.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (565 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) = -62.51. HRMS (ESI) for  $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{39}\text{F}_3\text{NO}_2^+$  [M+H] $^+$  calcd. 444.3084, found 444.3094.



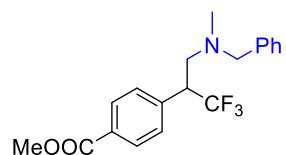
**Methyl 4-(1,1,1-trifluoro-3-phenethylamino)propan-2-ylbenzoate (5k).** Yellow oil, yield 82 %  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  = 7.97 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 2H), 7.53 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H), 7.22 (t,  $J = 7.4$  Hz, 2H), 7.17 – 7.09 (m, 3H), 3.98 – 3.93 (m, 1H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 3.17 (dd,  $J = 12.3, 4.9$  Hz, 1H), 3.12 (dd,  $J = 12.2, 9.5$  Hz, 1H), 2.79 – 2.57 (m, 4H), 1.50 (s, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (151 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  = 165.91, 140.07, 139.43, 129.56, 129.37, 129.27, 128.46, 128.09, 126.50 (q,  $J = 280.0$  Hz), 125.72, 52.11, 50.32, 48.71 (q,  $J = 24.6$  Hz), 47.54, 47.52, 35.53.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (565 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) = -62.39. HRMS (ESI) for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{21}\text{F}_3\text{NO}_2^+$  [M+H] $^+$  calcd. 352.1519 found 352.1515.



1H), 2.28 (s, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (151 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$ (ppm) = 165.92, 149.32, 147.96, 139.49, 135.58, 135.51, 129.60, 129.39, 129.27, 126.48 (q, *J* = 280.5 Hz), 123.26, 52.14, 49.59, 48.64 (q, *J* = 24.7 Hz), 46.89, 46.87.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (565 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) = -66.74. HRMS (ESI) for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>18</sub>F<sub>3</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calcd. 339.1315 found 339.1314.



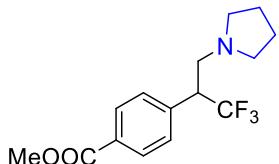
**Methyl 4-(3-(but-3-en-1-ylamino)-1,1,1-trifluoropropan-2-yl)benzoate (5p)** Yellow oil, yield 68%.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  = 7.97 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.55 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 5.69 (ddt, *J* = 17.0, 10.2, 6.8 Hz, 1H), 5.01 – 4.87 (m, 2H), 3.97 – 3.92 (m, 1H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 3.18 – 3.06 (m, 2H), 2.62 – 2.46 (m, 2H), 2.09 – 2.02 (m, 2H), 1.55 (s, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (151 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) = 165.91, 139.49, 136.70, 129.61, 129.38, 129.27, 126.51 (q, *J* = 280.6 Hz), 115.75, 52.15, 48.69 (q, *J* = 24.6 Hz), 48.06, 47.53, 33.59.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (565 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) = -66.77. HRMS (ESI) for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>19</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calcd. 302.1362 found 302.1360.



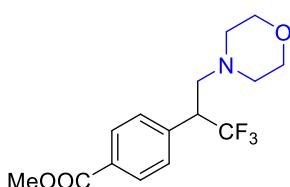
**Methyl 4-(3-(benzyl(methyl)amino)-1,1,1-trifluoropropan-2-yl)benzoate (5q).** Yellow oil, yield 66%.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$ (ppm) = 7.97 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.52 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.28 – 7.18 (m, 3H), 7.10 – 7.02 (m, 2H), 4.24 – 4.20 (m, 1H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 3.58 (d, *J* = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 3.38 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 3.04 (dd, *J* = 12.6, 10.3 Hz, 1H), 2.83 (dd, *J* = 12.6, 4.9 Hz, 1H), 2.10 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (151 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$ (ppm) = 165.94, 139.73, 138.35, 129.64, 129.26, 129.03, 128.59, 127.97, 126.87, 126.53 (q, *J* = 280.4 Hz), 61.11, 54.94, 52.09, 46.57 (q, *J* = 24.5 Hz), 41.67.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (565 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$ (ppm) = 66.75. HRMS (ESI) for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>21</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calcd. 352.1519 found 352.1518.



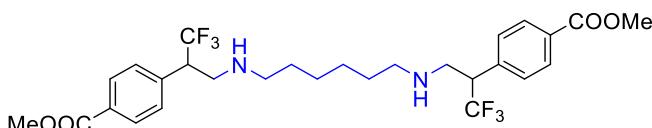
**Methyl 4-(3-(benzyl(ethyl)amino)-1,1,1-trifluoropropan-2-yl)benzoate (5r)** Yellow oil, yield 63%.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$ (ppm) = 7.98 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.55 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.23 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.14 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.10 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 3.95 – 3.89 (m, 1H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 3.13 (dd, *J* = 12.2, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 3.06 (dd, *J* = 12.1, 9.7 Hz, 1H), 2.48 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 1.65 – 1.50 (m, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (151 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$ (ppm) = 166.42, 142.49, 140.12, 130.09, 129.85, 129.76, 128.67, 128.62, 127.02 (d, *J* = 280.5 Hz), 126.02, 52.62, 49.38 (q, *J* = 24.6 Hz), 48.69, 48.23, 33.16, 31.47.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (565 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$ (ppm) = -66.72. HRMS (ESI) for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>23</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calcd. 366.1675 found 366.1667.



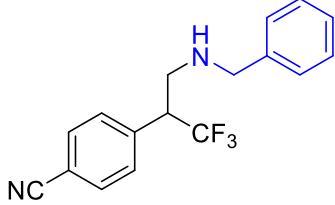
**4-(1,1,1-trifluoro-3-(pyrrolidin-1-yl)propan-2-yl)phenyl acetate (**5s**)**. Yellow oil, yield 75%.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$ (ppm) = 7.97 (d,  $J$  = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.59 (d,  $J$  = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 4.08 – 4.03 (m, 1H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 3.15 (dd,  $J$  = 12.2, 10.2 Hz, 1H), 2.85 (dd,  $J$  = 12.2, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 2.49 – 2.43 (m, 2H), 2.40 – 2.31 (m, 2H), 1.63 – 1.52 (m, 4H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (151 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$ (ppm) = 165.97, 139.63, 129.64, 129.39, 129.30, 126.57 (q,  $J$  = 280.4 Hz), 52.19, 50.73, 48.79 (q,  $J$  = 24.6 Hz), 22.35, 11.58.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (565 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ (ppm) = -62.59. HRMS (ESI) for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>19</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calcd. 302.1362 found 302.1361.



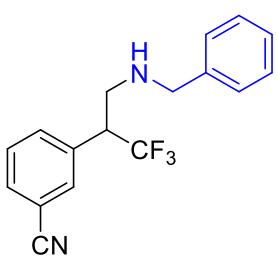
**Methyl 4-(1,1,1-trifluoro-3-morpholinopropyl)benzoate (**5t**)** Yellow oil, yield 85%.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$ (ppm) = 7.96 (d,  $J$  = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.57 (d,  $J$  = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 4.19 – 4.15 (m, 1H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 3.45 – 3.35 (m, 4H), 2.95 (dd,  $J$  = 12.7, 9.6 Hz, 1H), 2.81 (dd,  $J$  = 12.7, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 2.48 – 2.39 (m, 2H), 2.34 – 2.24 (m, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (151 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  165.92, 139.83, 129.56, 129.33, 129.15, 126.54 (q,  $J$  = 280.6 Hz), 65.97, 56.62, 53.08, 52.11, 45.71 (q,  $J$  = 24.6 Hz).  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (565 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$ (ppm) = -66.74. HRMS (ESI) for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>19</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calcd. 318.1312 found 318.1312.



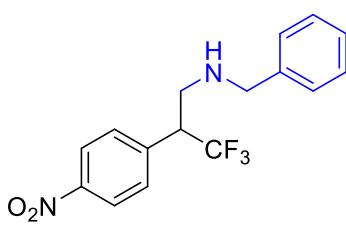
**Dimethyl 4,4'-(hexane-1,6-diylbis(azanediyl))bis(3,3,3-trifluoropropyl)dibenzoate (**5u**)**. Yellow oil, yield 25%.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  (ppm) = 7.96 (d,  $J$  = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.53 (d,  $J$  = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 3.93 – 3.89 (m, 1H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 3.10 (dd,  $J$  = 12.2, 4.9 Hz, 1H), 3.04 (dd,  $J$  = 12.2, 9.5 Hz, 1H), 2.44 – 2.34 (m, 2H), 1.55 (s, 1H), 1.29 – 1.16 (m, 3H), 1.16 – 1.02 (m, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (151 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  (ppm) = 165.91, 139.59, 129.59, 129.34, 129.24, 126.52 (q,  $J$  = 280.3 Hz), 52.13, 48.74 (q,  $J$  = 24.6 Hz), 48.70, 47.71, 29.15, 26.44.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (565 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ (ppm) = -62.50. HRMS (ESI) for C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>35</sub>F<sub>6</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calcd. 577.2496 found 577.2493.



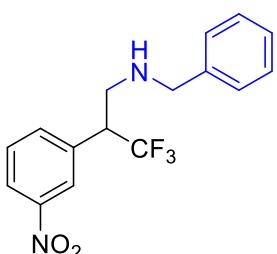
**4-(3-(Benzylamino)-1,1,1-trifluoropropan-2-yl)benzonitrile (**6a**)** white oil, yield 91%.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$ (ppm) = 7.87 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.60 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.31 – 7.19 (m, 5H), 4.09 – 3.96 (m, 1H), 3.66 (dd, *J* = 22.1, 12.4 Hz, 2H), 3.11 (dd, *J* = 11.9, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 3.04 (t, *J* = 10.9 Hz, 1H), 2.22 (s, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (151 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$ (ppm) = 147.84, 142.33, 140.69, 131.14, 128.57, 128.34, 127.11, 126.78 (d, *J* = 280.7 Hz), 123.96, 52.76, 48.90 (q, *J* = 24.4 Hz), 47.29.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (565 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$ (ppm) = -66.69. HRMS (ESI) for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>16</sub>F<sub>3</sub>N<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calcd. 305.1260 found 305.1262.



**3-(3-(Benzylamino)-1,1,1-trifluoropropan-2-yl)benzonitrile (**6b**)** white oil, yield 70%.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ (ppm) = 7.66 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.57 (s, 1H), 7.55 – 7.47 (m, 2H), 7.32 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.29 – 7.25 (m, 1H), 7.23 – 7.18 (m, 2H), 3.77 (dd, *J* = 13.4 Hz, 2H), 3.62 – 3.54 (m, 1H), 3.26 (dd, *J* = 12.5, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 3.10 (dd, *J* = 12.5, 9.5 Hz, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (151 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$ (ppm) = 140.75, 136.26, 134.69, 133.42, 132.38, 130.24, 128.57, 128.34, 127.12, 126.86 (q, *J* = 280.5 Hz), 119.01, 112.09, 66.83, 52.67, 48.64 (q, *J* = 24.9 Hz), 46.83.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (565 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$ (ppm) = -67.00. HRMS (ESI) for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>16</sub>F<sub>3</sub>N<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calcd. 305.1260 found 305.1270.

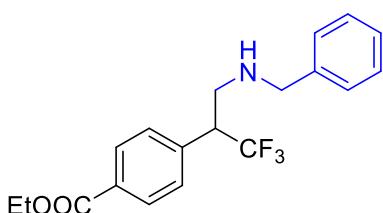


**N-benzyl-3,3,3-trifluoro-2-(4-nitrophenyl)propan-1-amine (**6c**)** red oil, yield 91%.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$ (ppm) = 8.26 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.68 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.31 – 7.19 (m, 5H), 4.15 – 4.08 (m, 1H), 3.67 (dd, *J* = 23.1, 5.0 Hz, 2H), 3.13 (dd, *J* = 12.0, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 3.06 (t, *J* = 10.9 Hz, 1H), 2.29 (s, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (151 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$ (ppm) = 140.68, 140.29, 132.84, 130.80, 128.57, 128.34, 127.12, 126.84 (q, *J* = 280.6 Hz), 119.01, 111.52, 52.74, 49.13 (q, *J* = 24.3 Hz), 47.16.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (565 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$ (ppm) = -66.62. HRMS (ESI) for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>16</sub>F<sub>3</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calcd. 325.1158 found 325.1162.

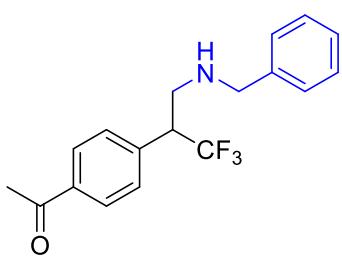


**N-benzyl-3,3,3-trifluoro-2-(3-nitrophenyl)propan-1-amine (**6d**)** white oil, yield 75%.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ (ppm) = 8.22 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 8.18 (s, 1H), 7.63 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.30 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.27 – 7.23 (m, 1H), 7.22 – 7.19 (m, 2H), 3.77 (q, *J* = 13.4 Hz, 2H), 3.71 – 3.63 (m, 1H), 3.30 (dd, *J* = 12.5, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 3.16 (dd, *J* = 12.5, 9.5 Hz, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ (ppm) = 148.45, 139.17, 135.72, 135.28,

129.77, 128.50, 127.97, 127.30, 125.77 (d,  $J = 280.7$  Hz), 124.10, 123.49, 53.57, 50.23 (q,  $J = 25.9$  Hz), 47.38.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (565 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$ (ppm) = -66.75. HRMS (ESI) for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{16}\text{F}_3\text{N}_2\text{O}_2^+$  [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calcd. 325.1158 found 325.1153.

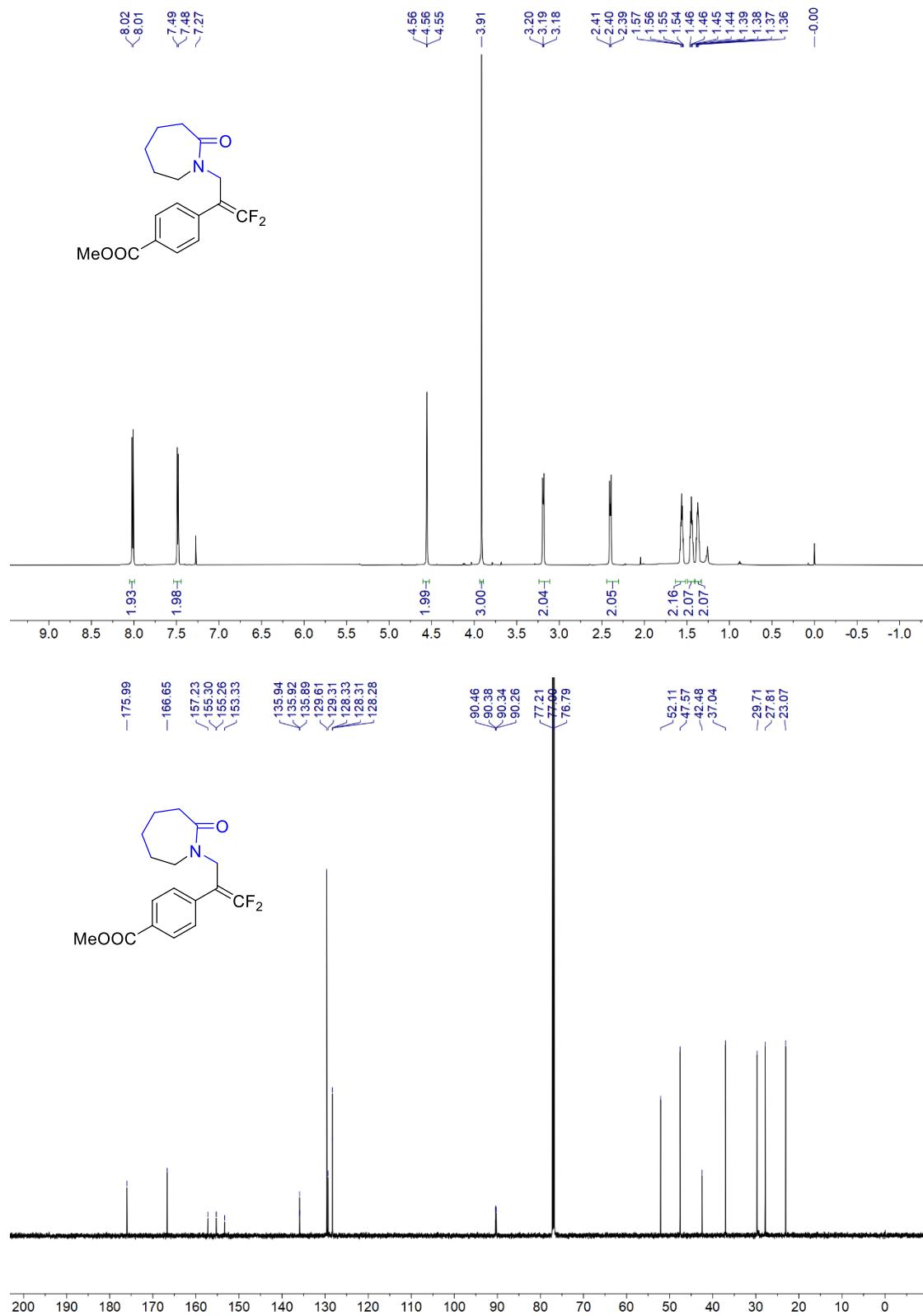


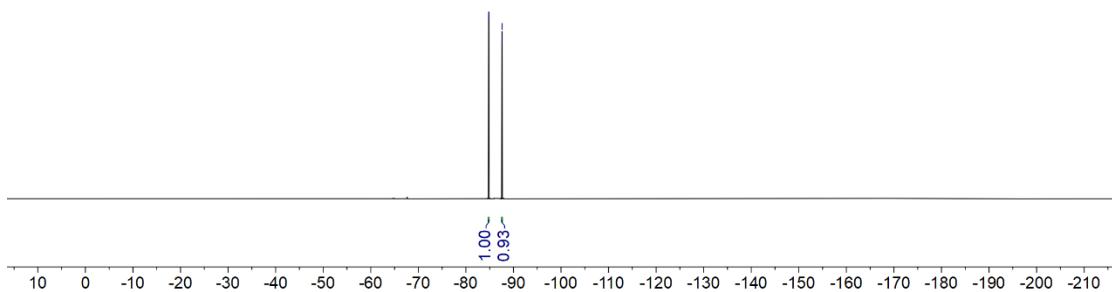
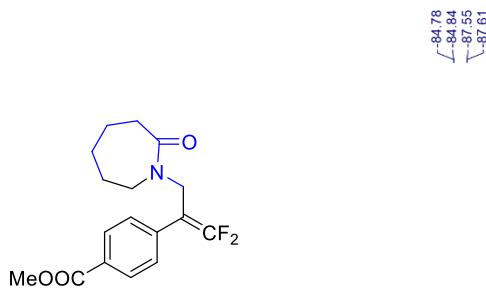
**Ethyl 4-(3-(benzylamino)-1,1,1-trifluoropropan-2-yl)benzoate (6e)** Yellow oil, yield 88%.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$ (ppm) = 8.01 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 2H), 7.56 (d,  $J = 7.9$  Hz, 2H), 7.34 – 7.21 (m, 5H), 4.36 (q,  $J = 7.0$  Hz, 2H), 4.03 – 3.98 (m, 1H), 3.76 – 3.65 (m, 2H), 3.15 (dd,  $J = 12.1, 4.7$  Hz, 1H), 3.06 (dd,  $J = 13.1, 9.8$  Hz, 1H), 2.18 (s, 1H), 1.35 (t,  $J = 7.1$  Hz, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (151 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$ (ppm) = 166.33, 141.14, 140.36, 130.60, 130.48, 130.14, 128.99, 128.75, 127.53, 127.42 (d,  $J = 280.5$  Hz), 61.65, 53.24, 49.60 (q,  $J = 24.2$  Hz), 47.83, 15.03.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (565 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$ (ppm) = -66.71. HRMS (ESI) for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{21}\text{F}_3\text{NO}_2^+$  [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calcd. 352.1519 found 352.1516.



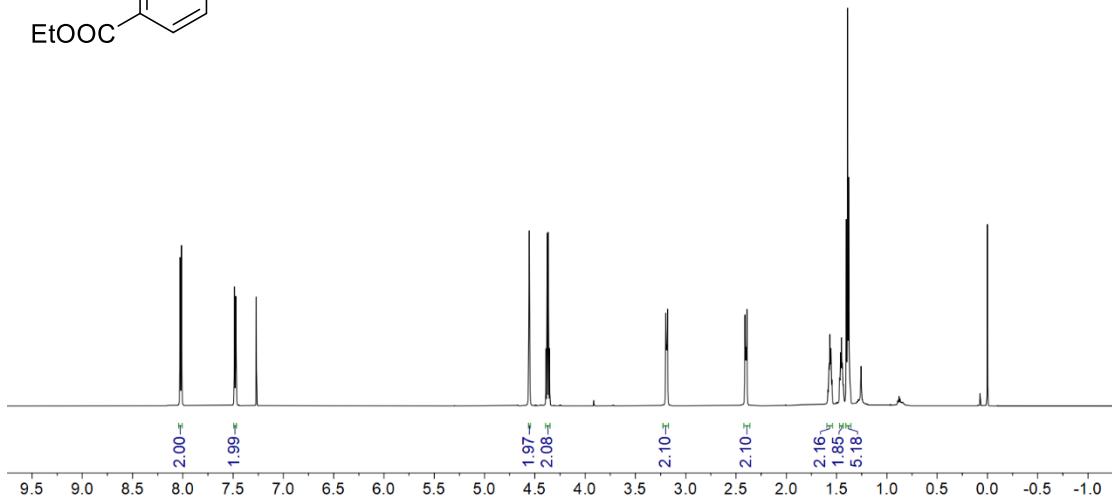
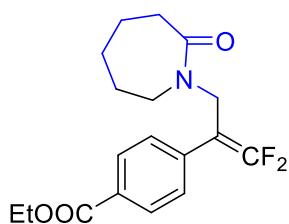
**1-(4-(3-(Benzylamino)-1,1,1-trifluoropropan-2-yl)phenyl)ethan-1-one (6f)** Yellow oil, yield 85%.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform- $d$ )  $\delta$  7.96 (d,  $J = 8.2$  Hz, 2H), 7.40 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H), 7.32 – 7.17 (m, 5H), 3.75 (dd,  $J = 20.1, 13.2$  Hz, 2H), 3.69 – 3.59 (m, 1H), 3.26 (dd,  $J = 12.3, 4.7$  Hz, 1H), 3.14 (dd,  $J = 12.0, 9.9$  Hz, 1H), 2.60 (s, 3H), 1.32 (s, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (151 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  198.00, 140.74, 139.84, 137.01, 129.99, 128.80, 128.57, 128.33, 127.10, 127.02 (q,  $J = 280.5$  Hz), 52.85, 49.19 (q,  $J = 24.3$  Hz), 47.41, 27.16.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (565 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  -64.95. HRMS (ESI) for  $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{19}\text{F}_3\text{NO}^+$  [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calcd. 322.1413 found 322.1413.

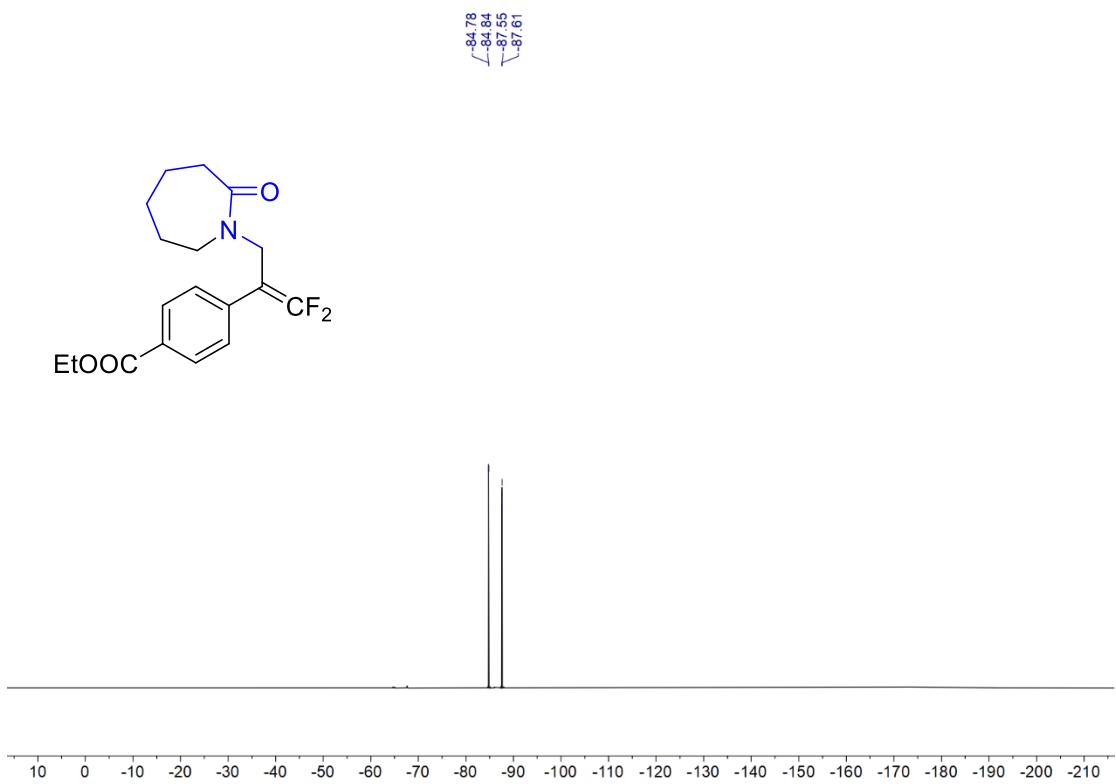
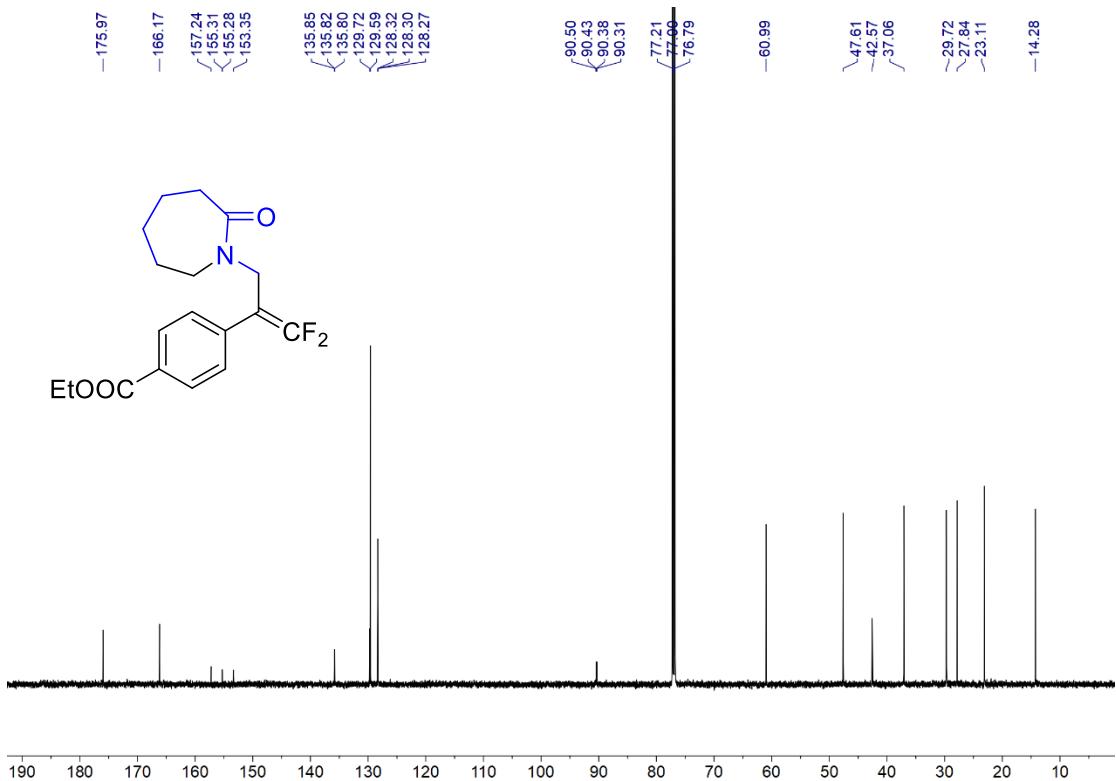
4-(1,1-difluoro-3-(2-oxoazepan-1-yl)prop-1-en-2-yl)phenyl acetate (**1a**)



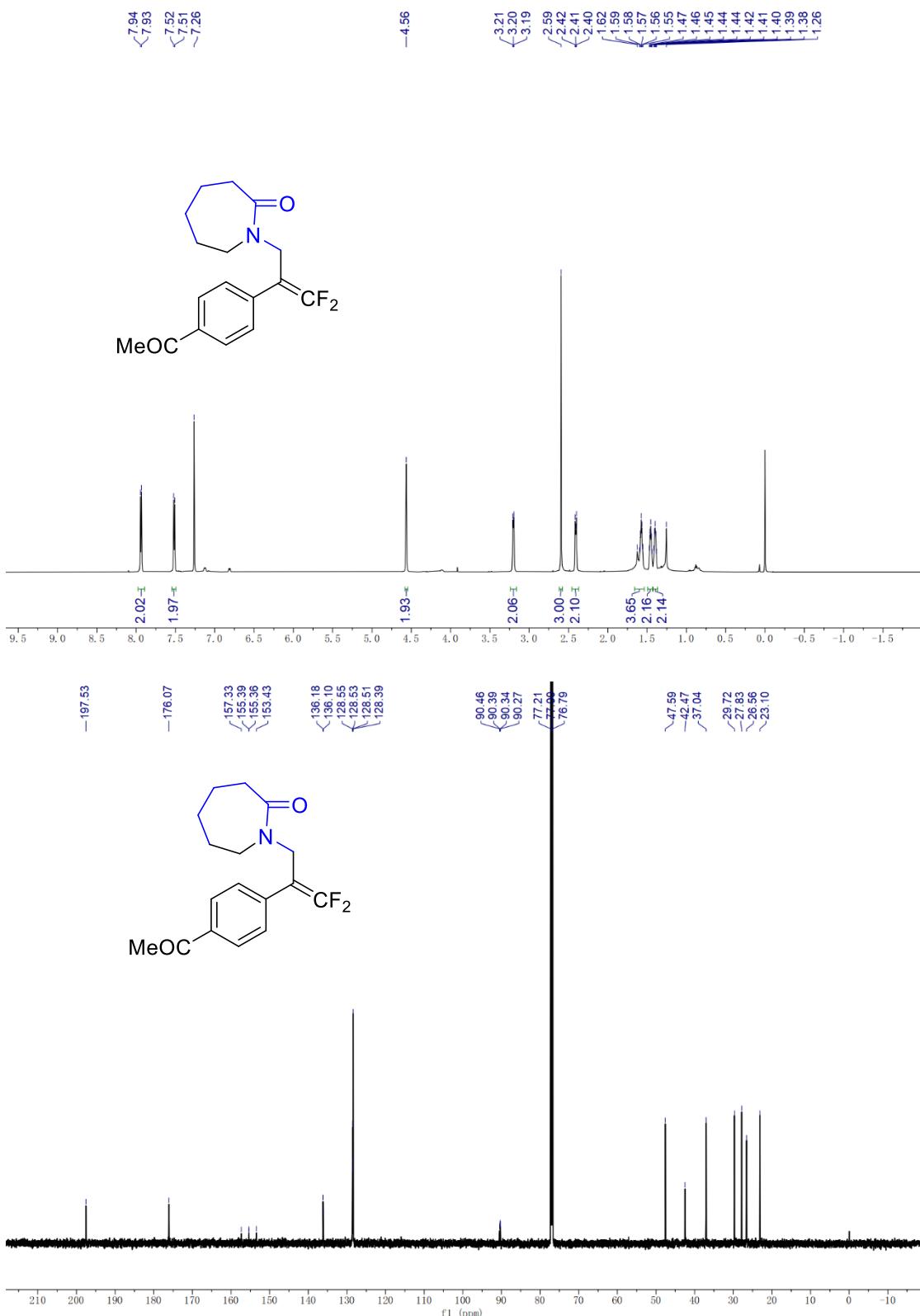


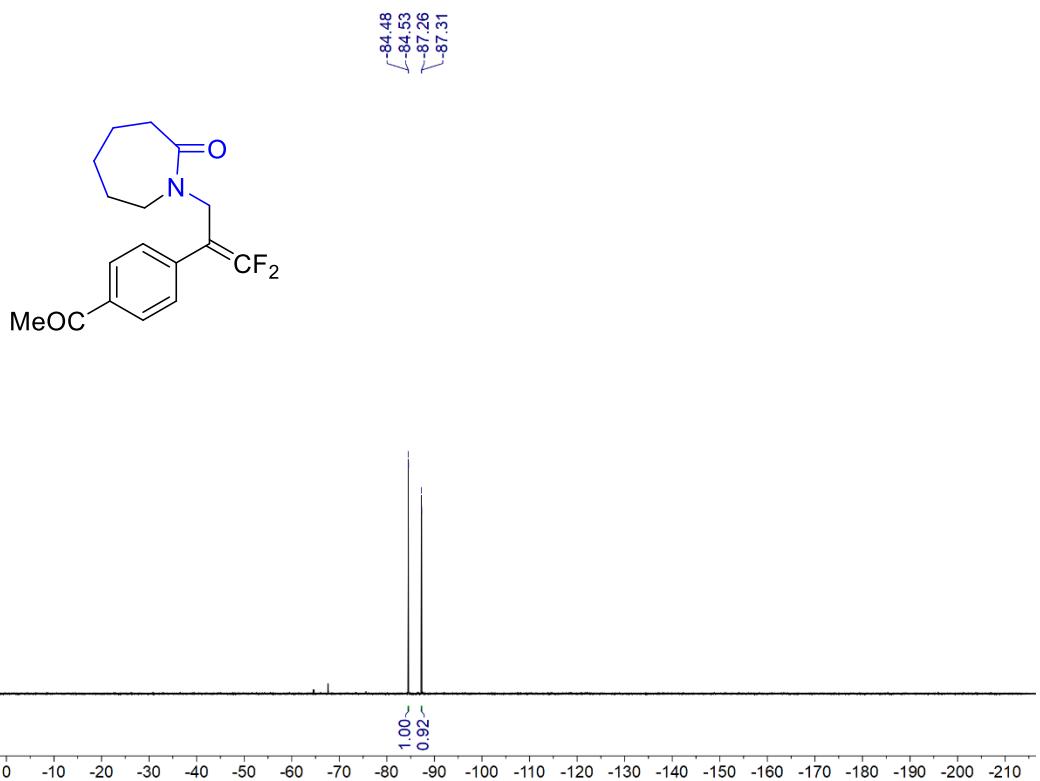
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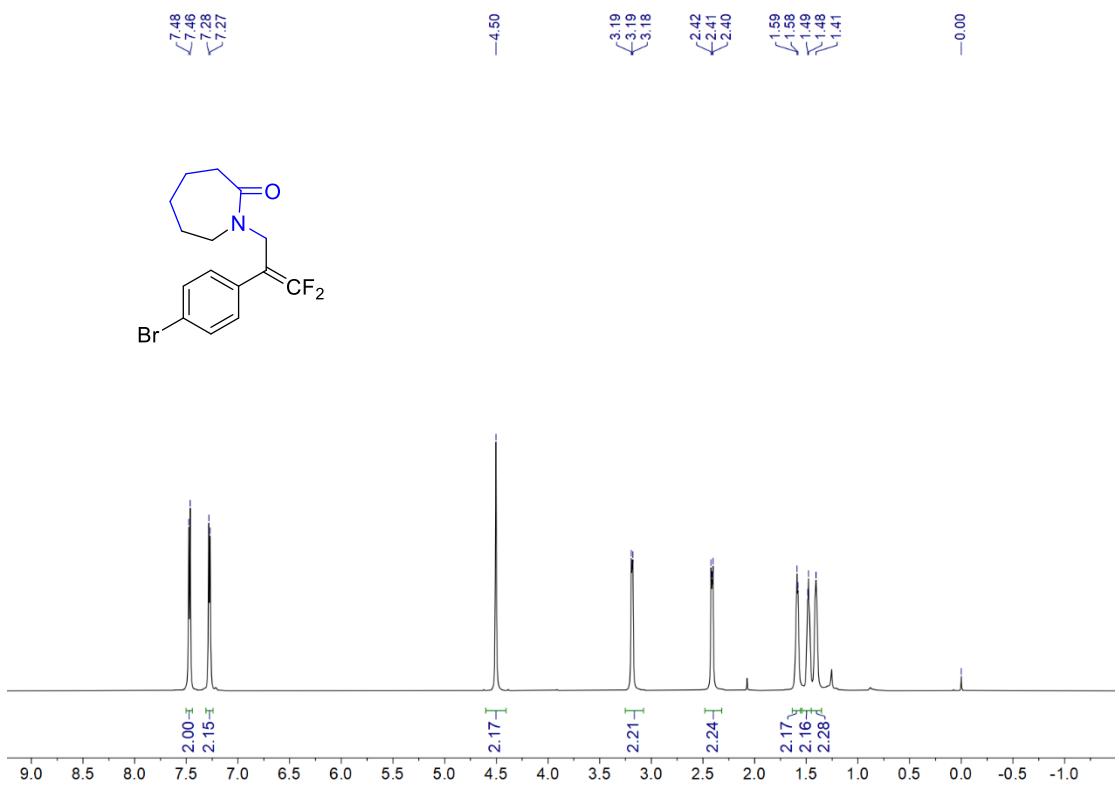


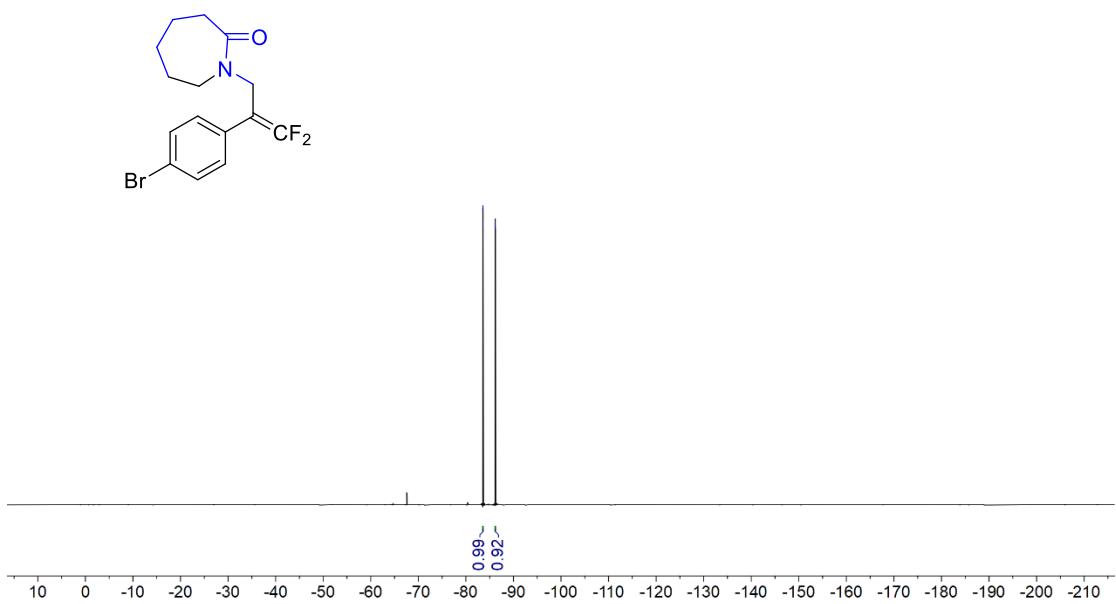
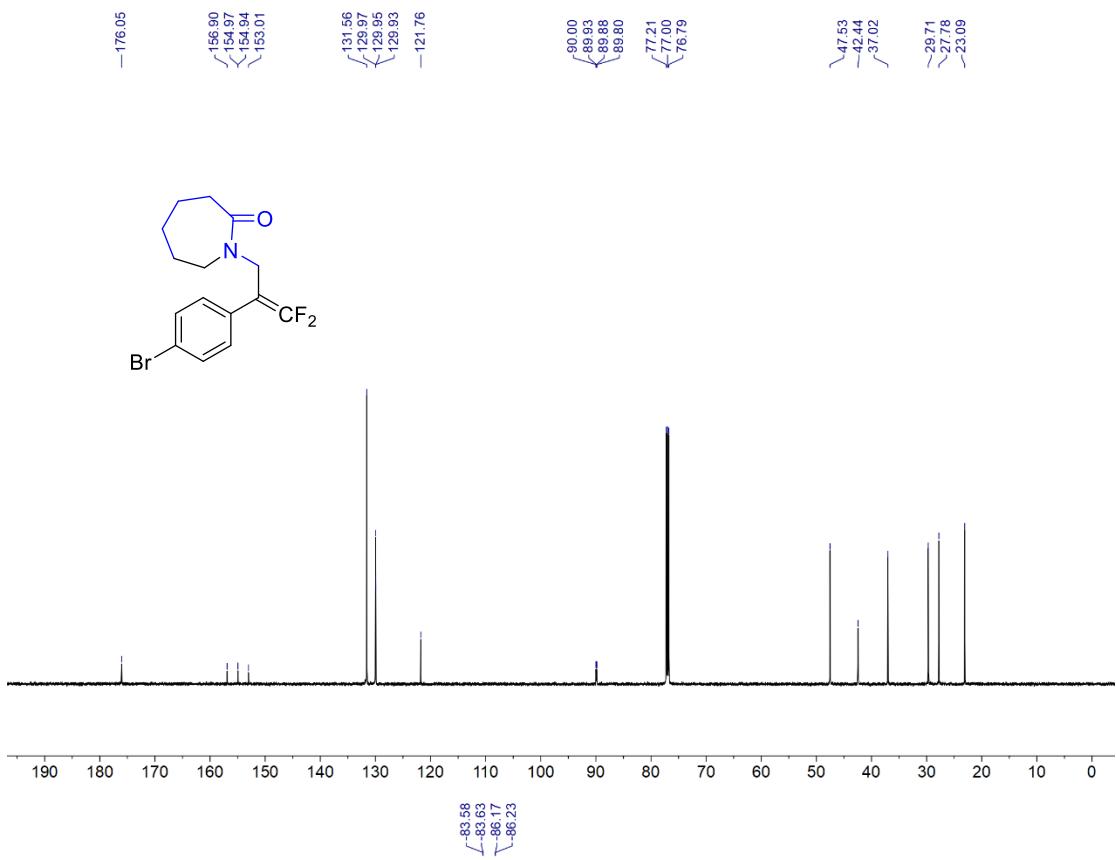
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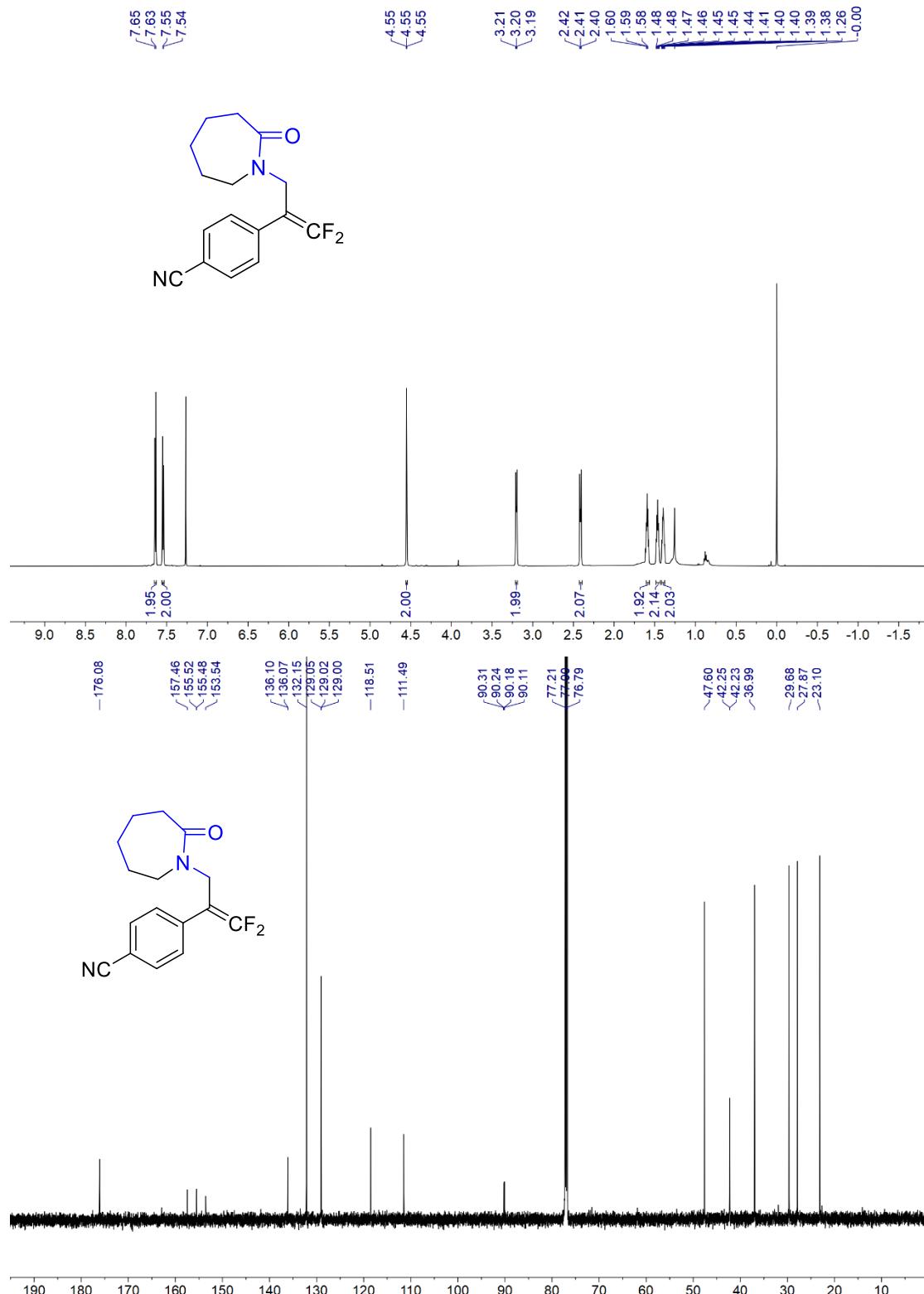


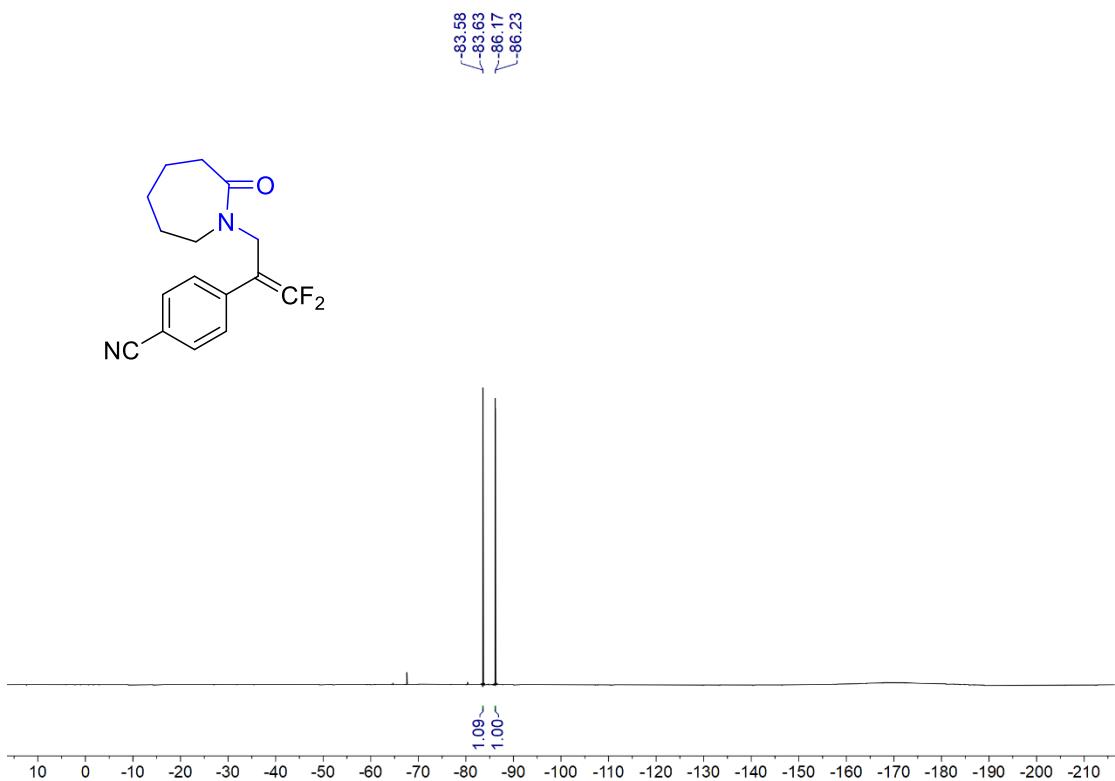
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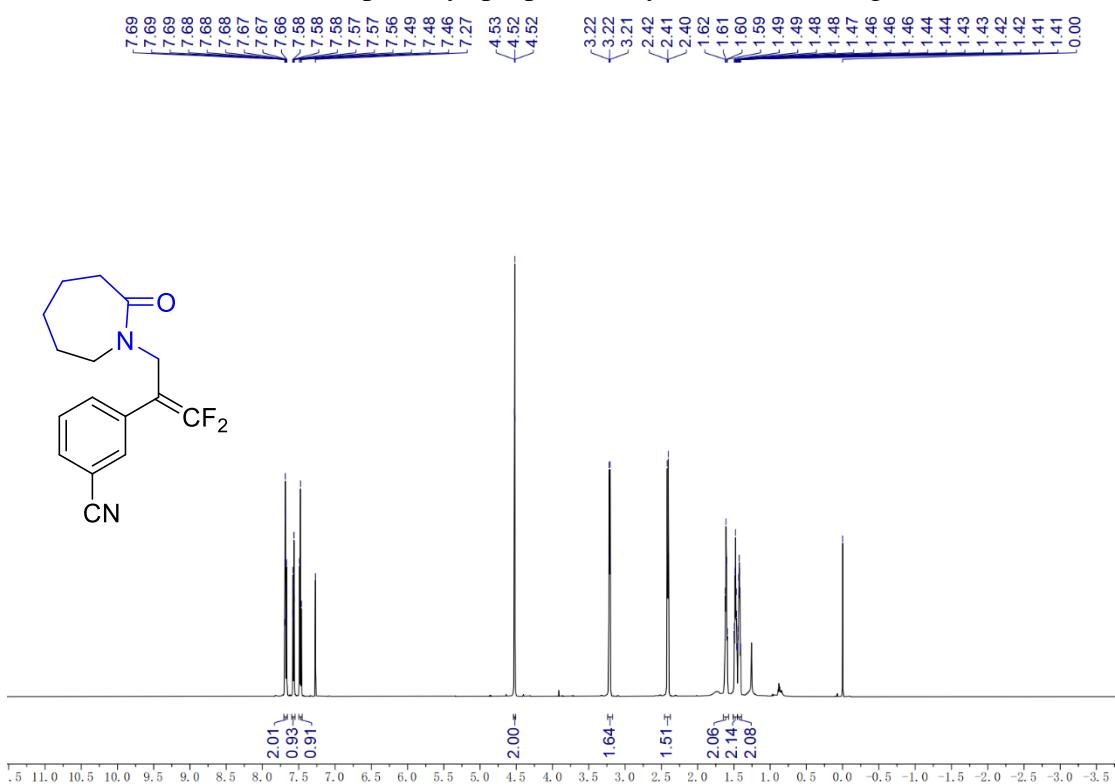


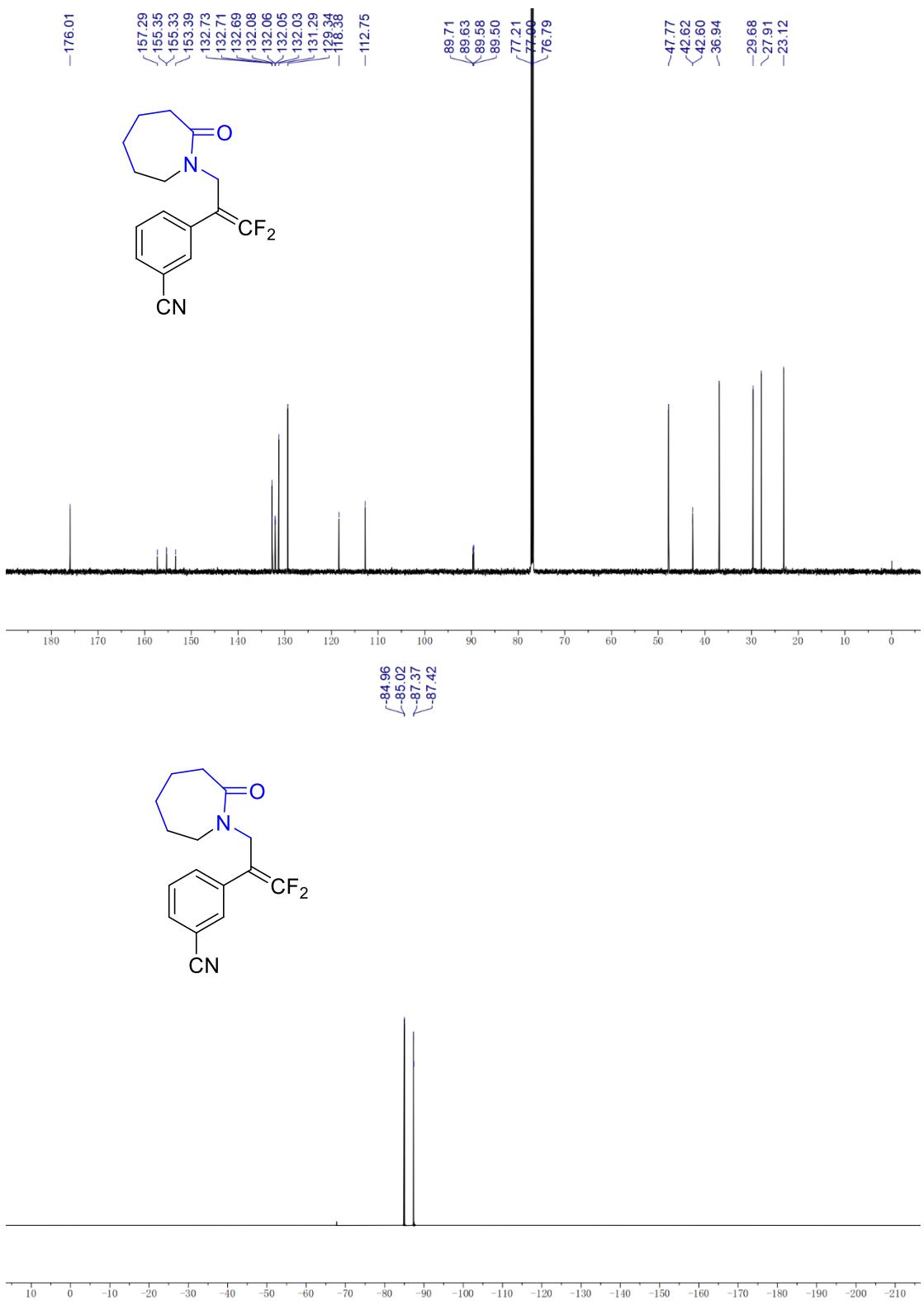
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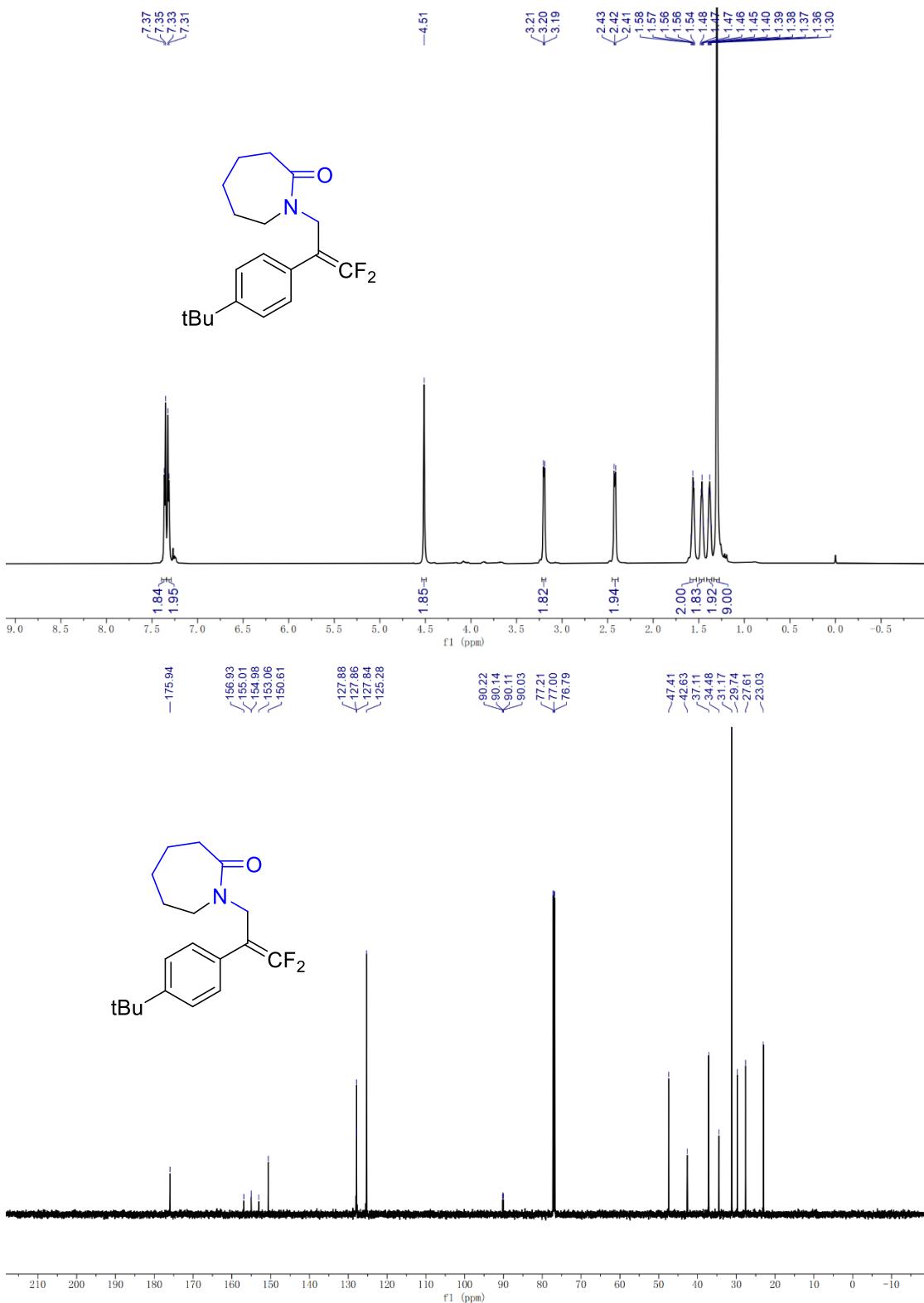


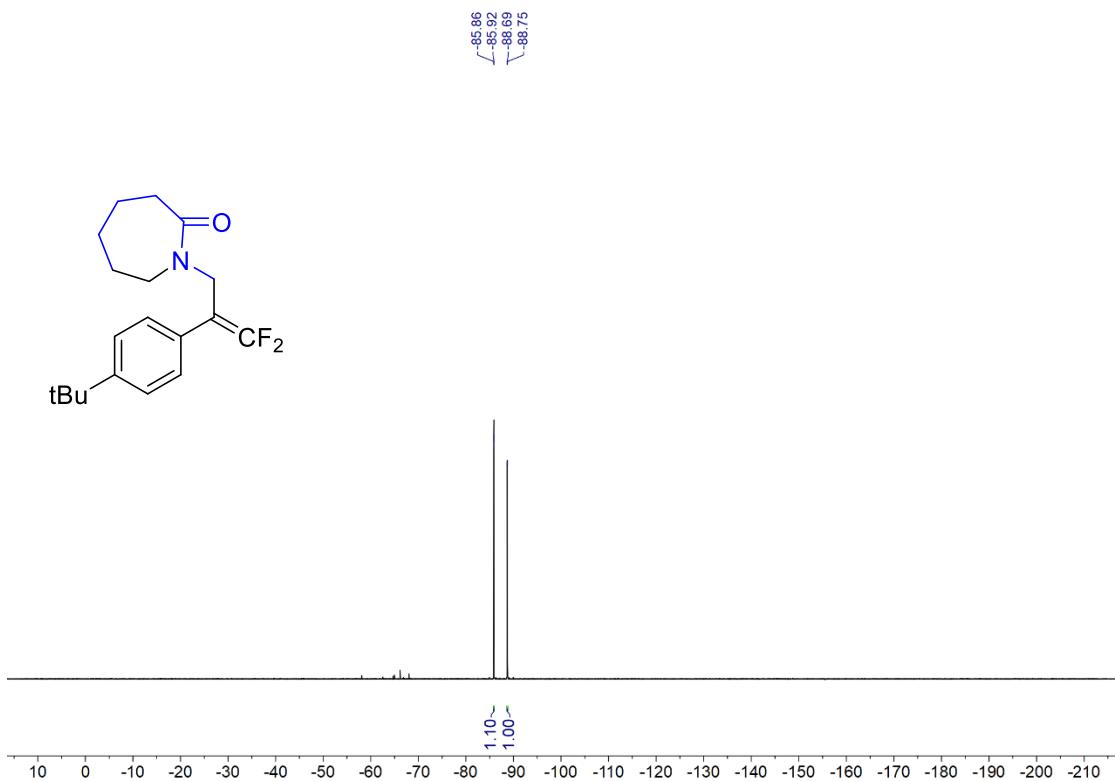
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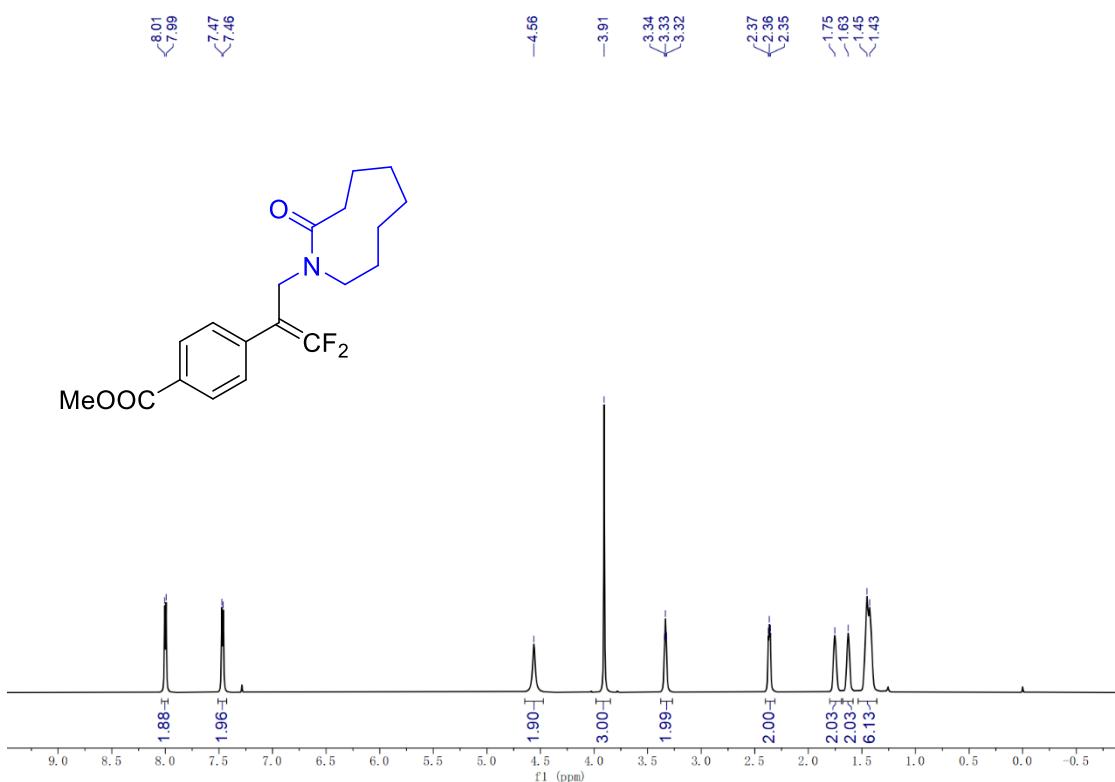


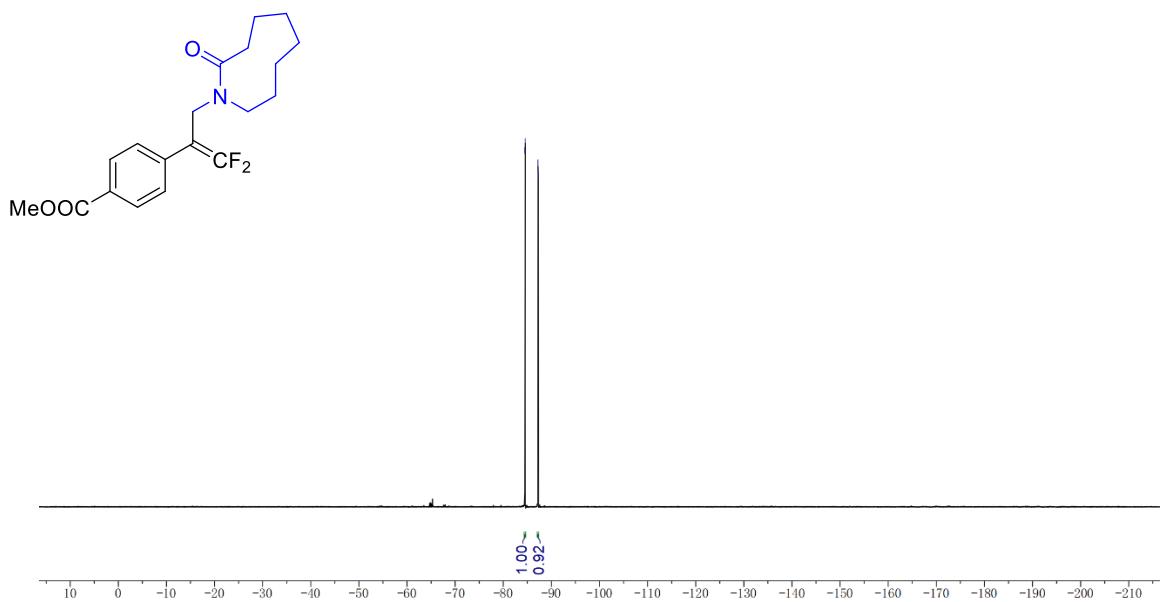
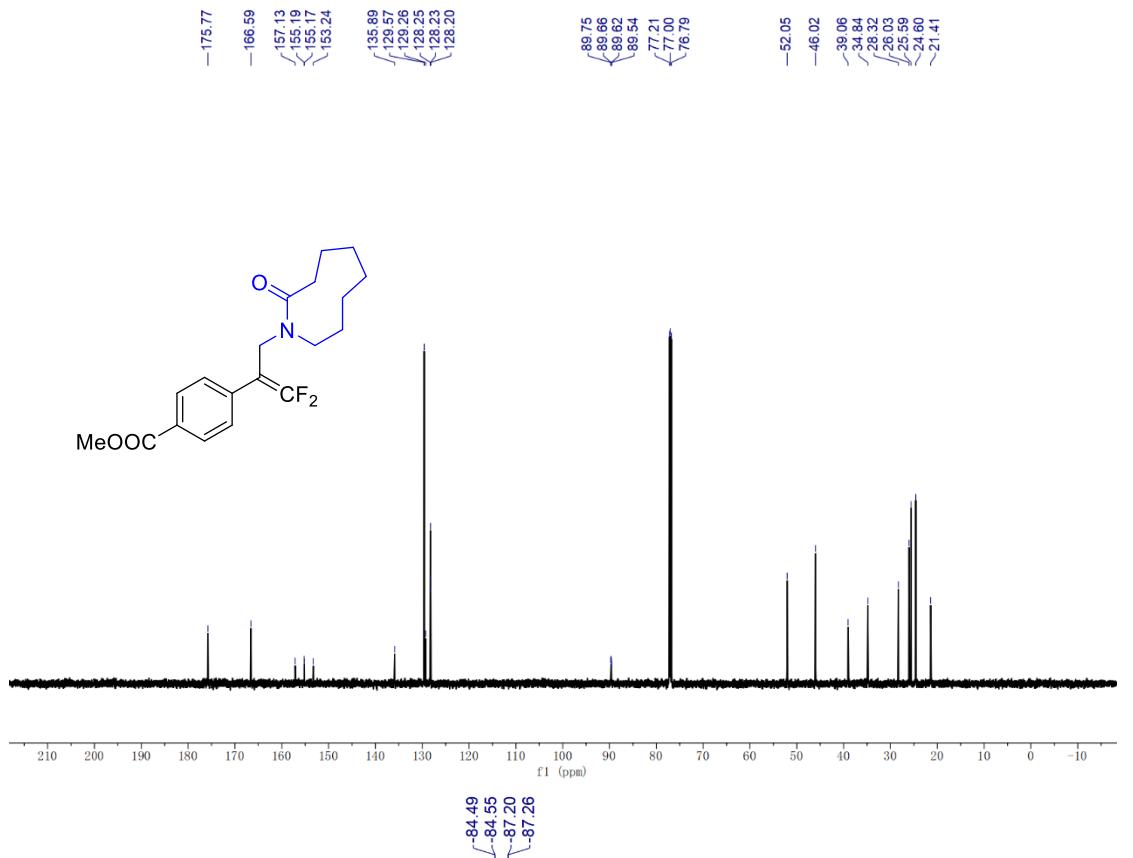
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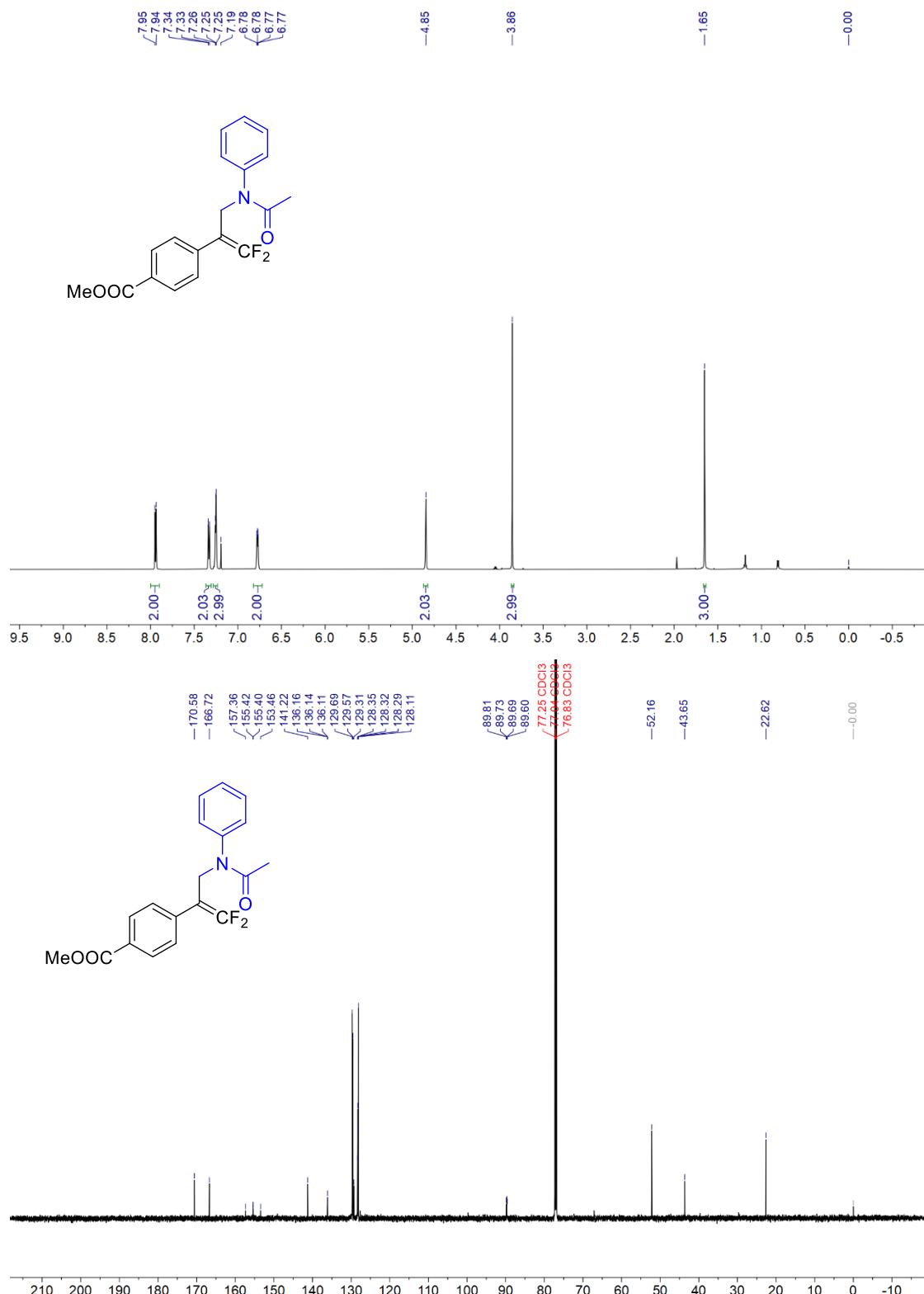


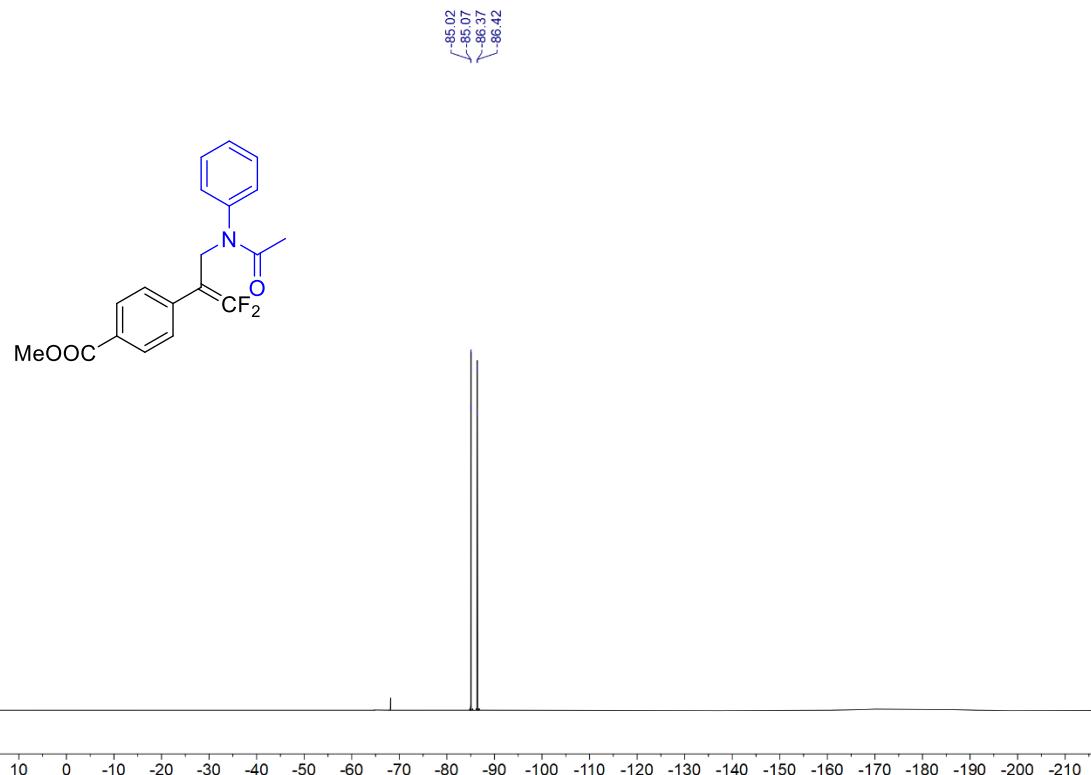
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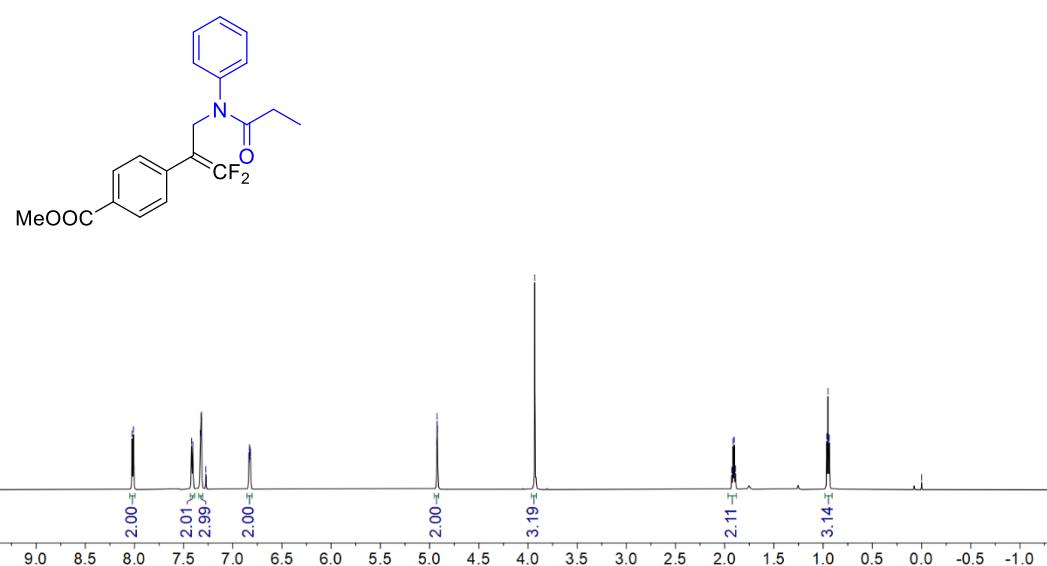


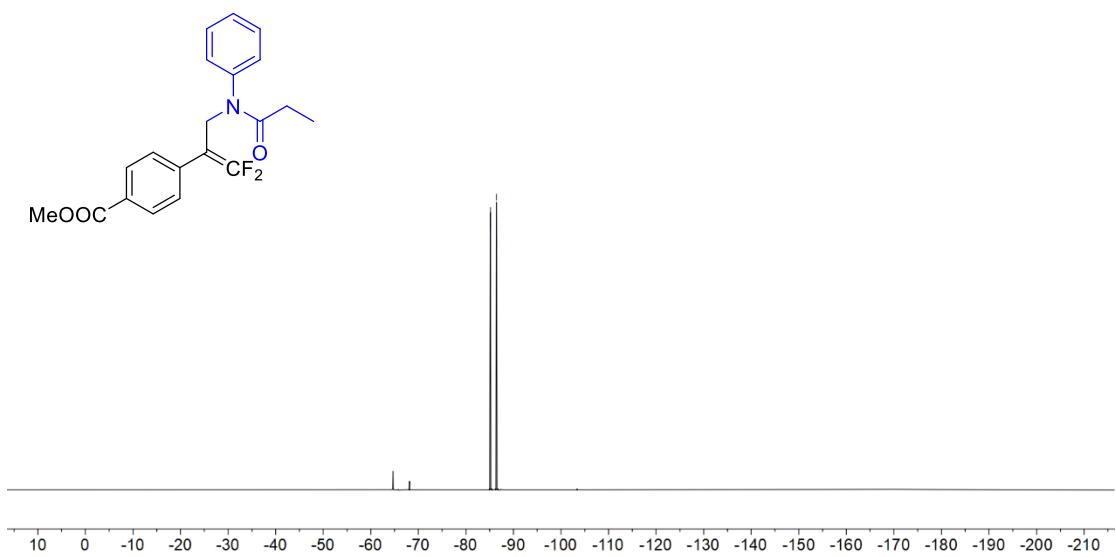
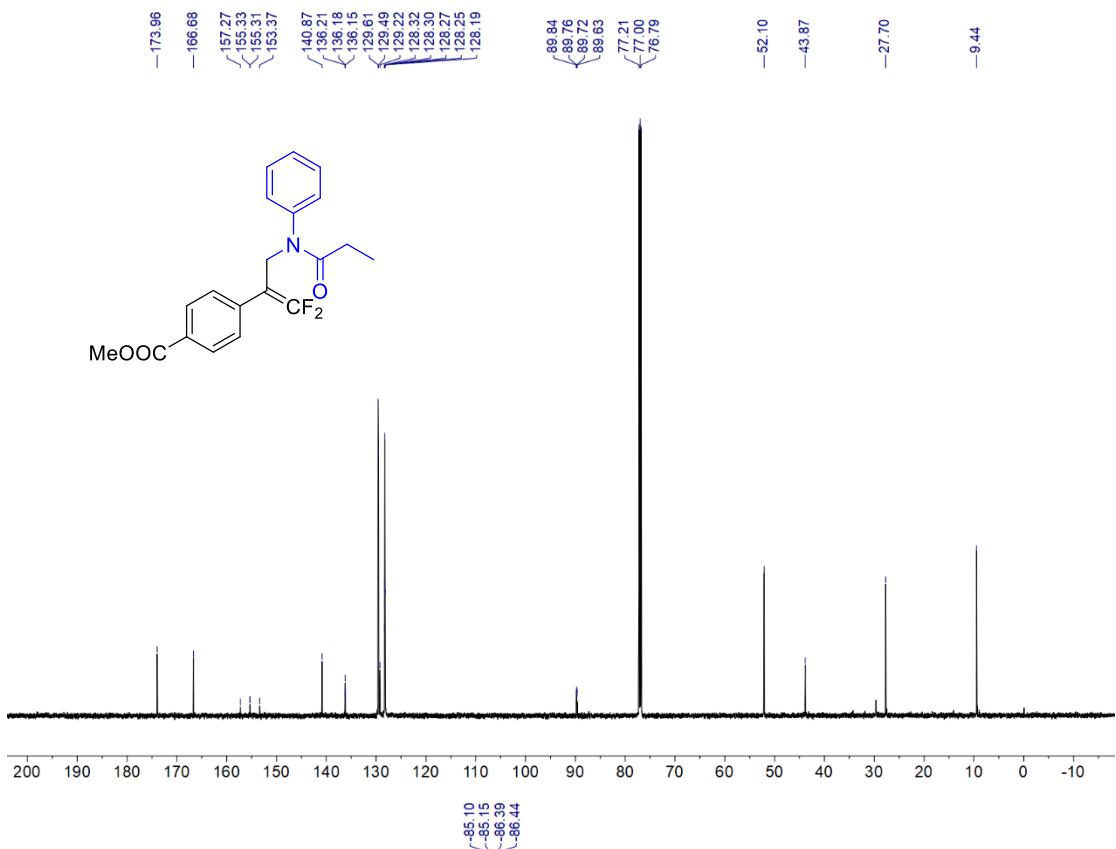
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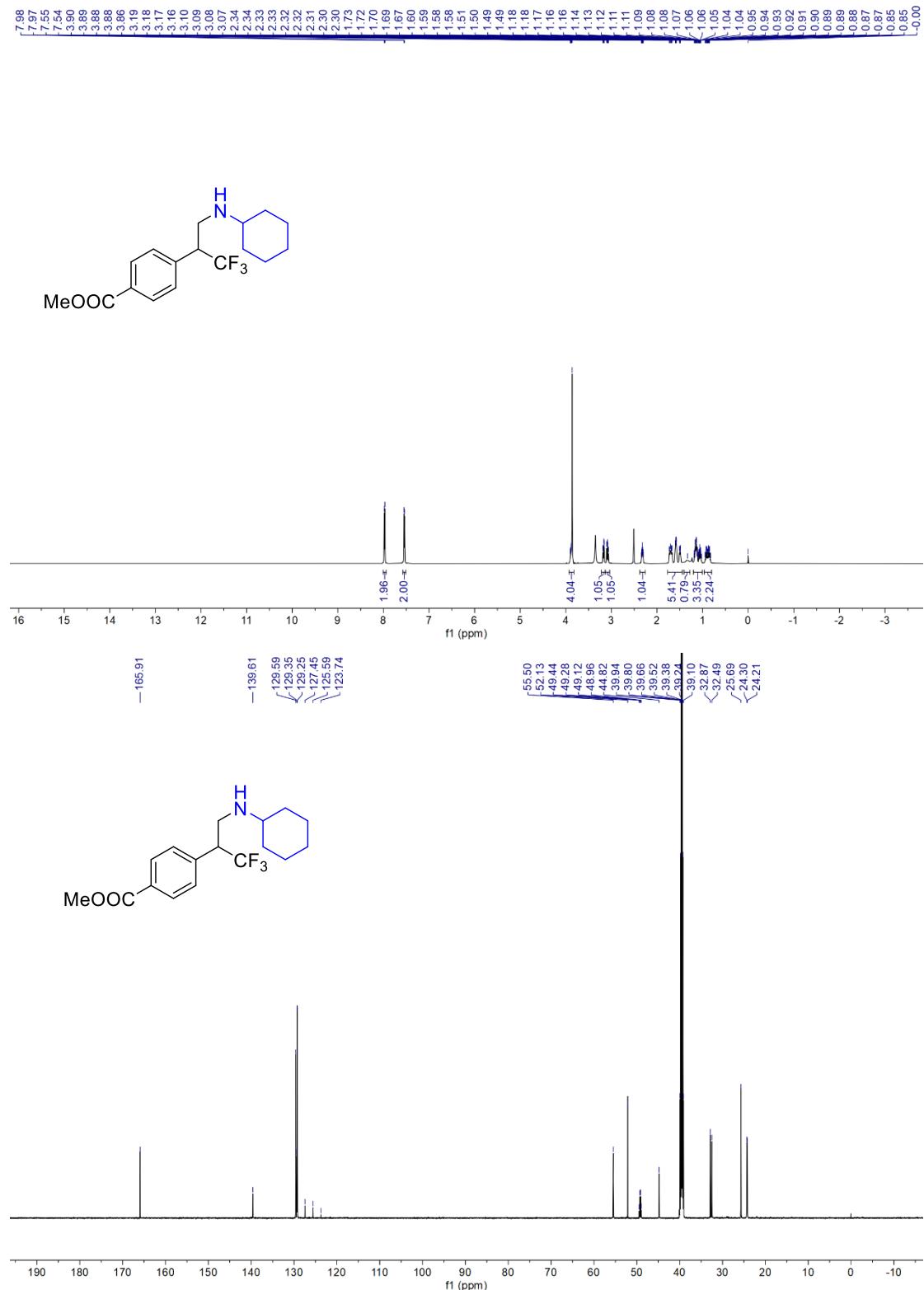


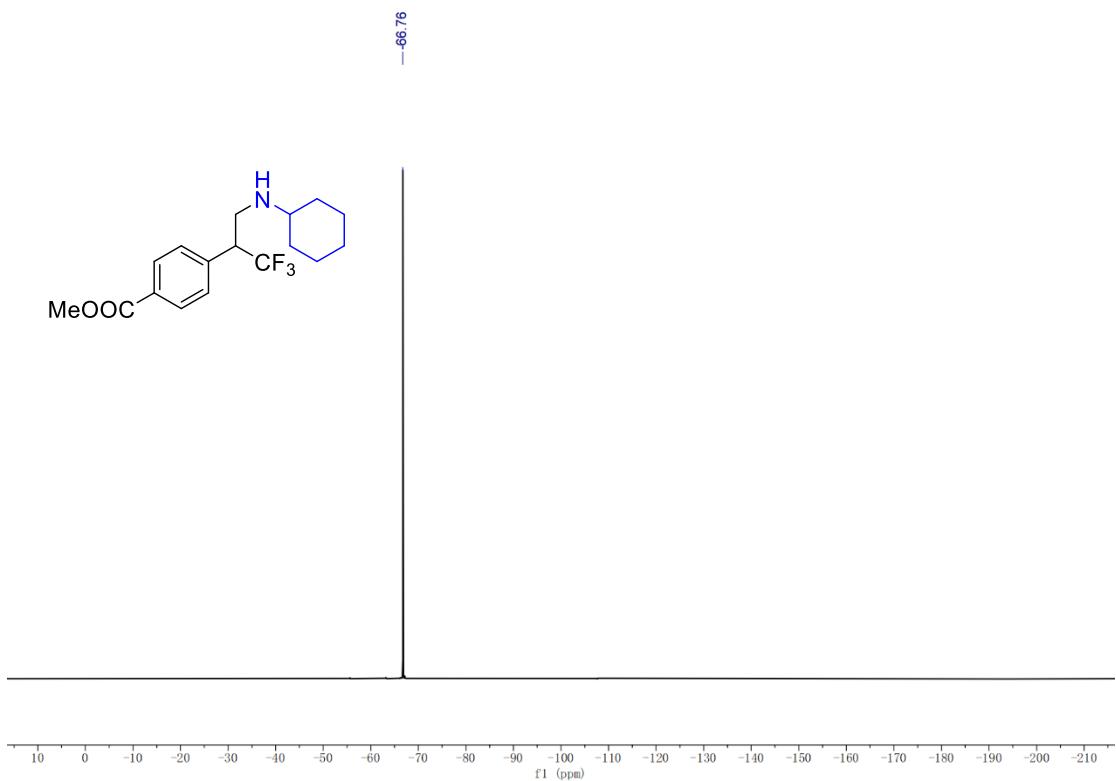
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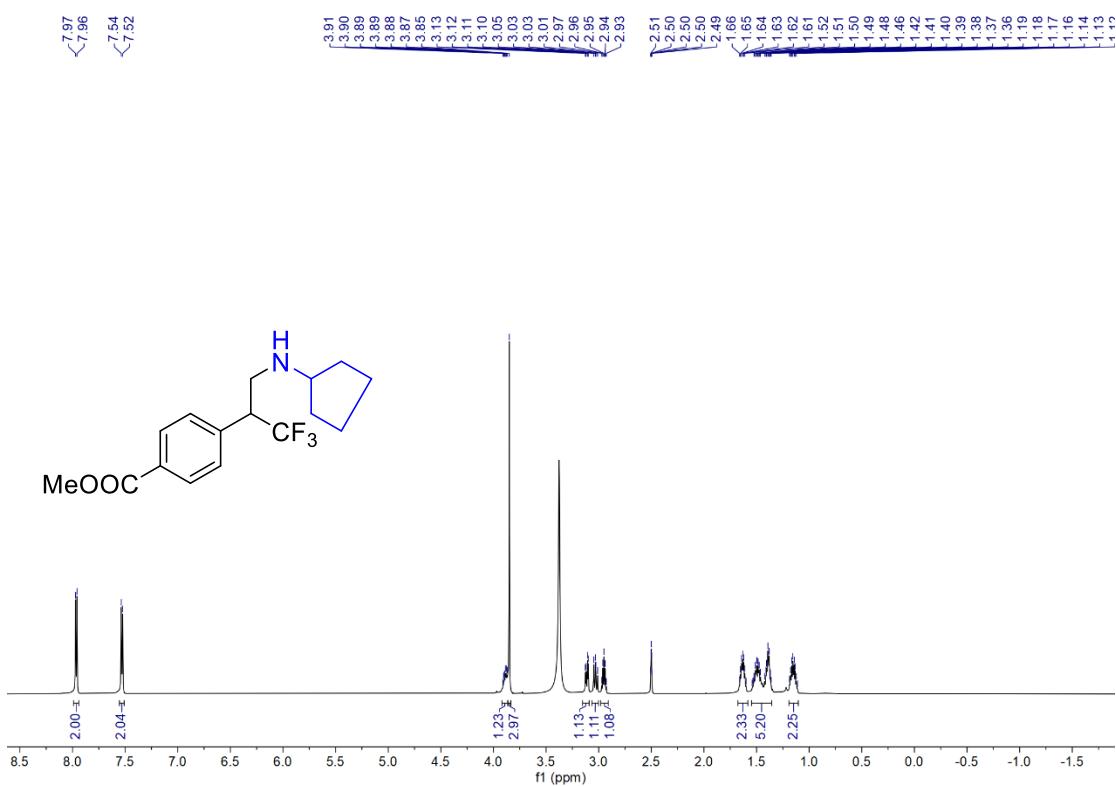


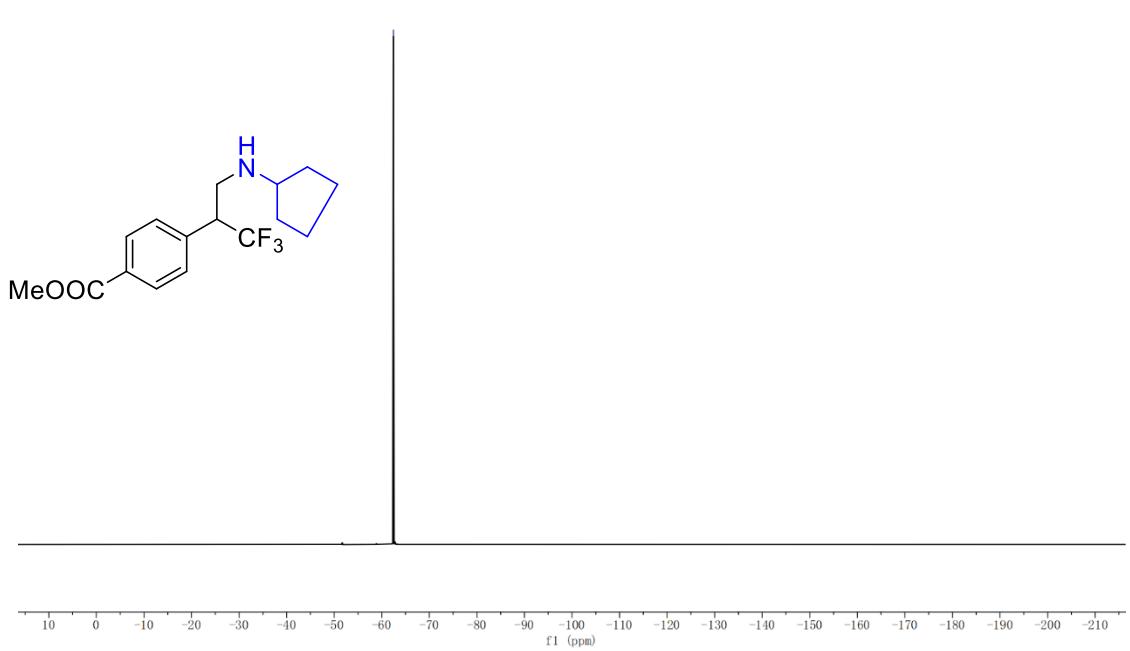
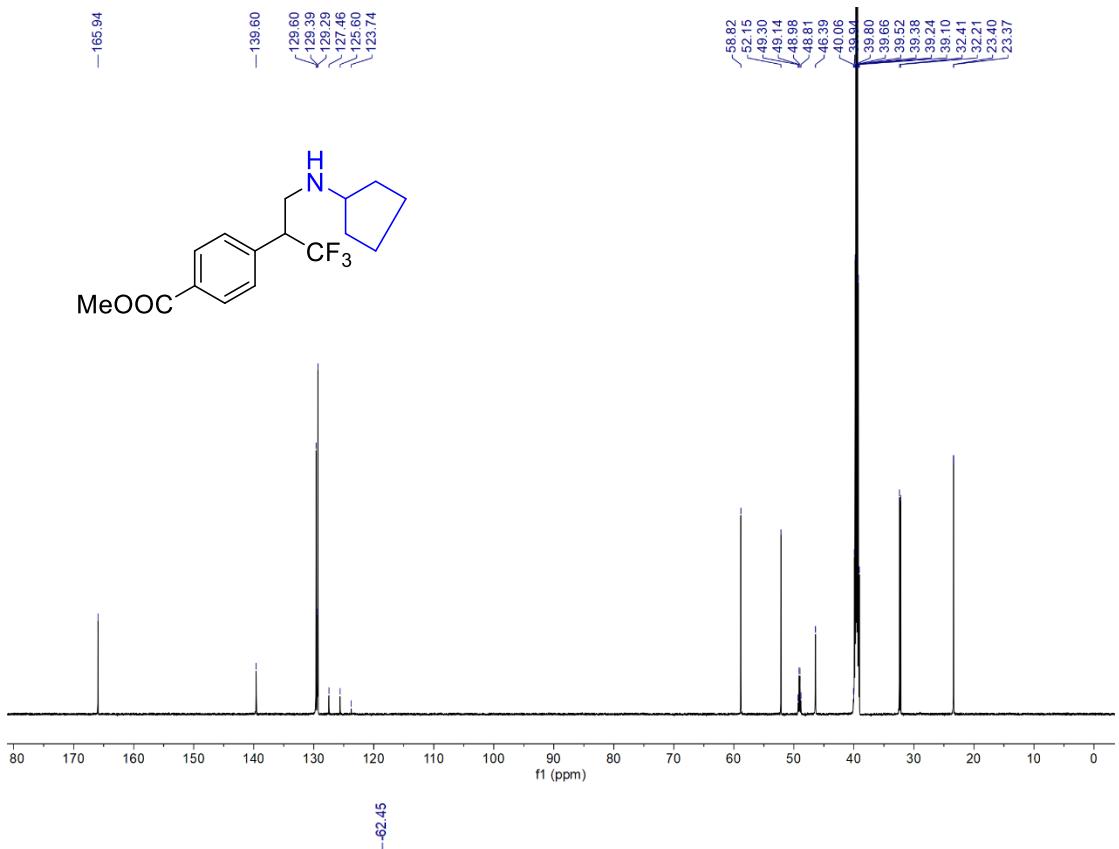
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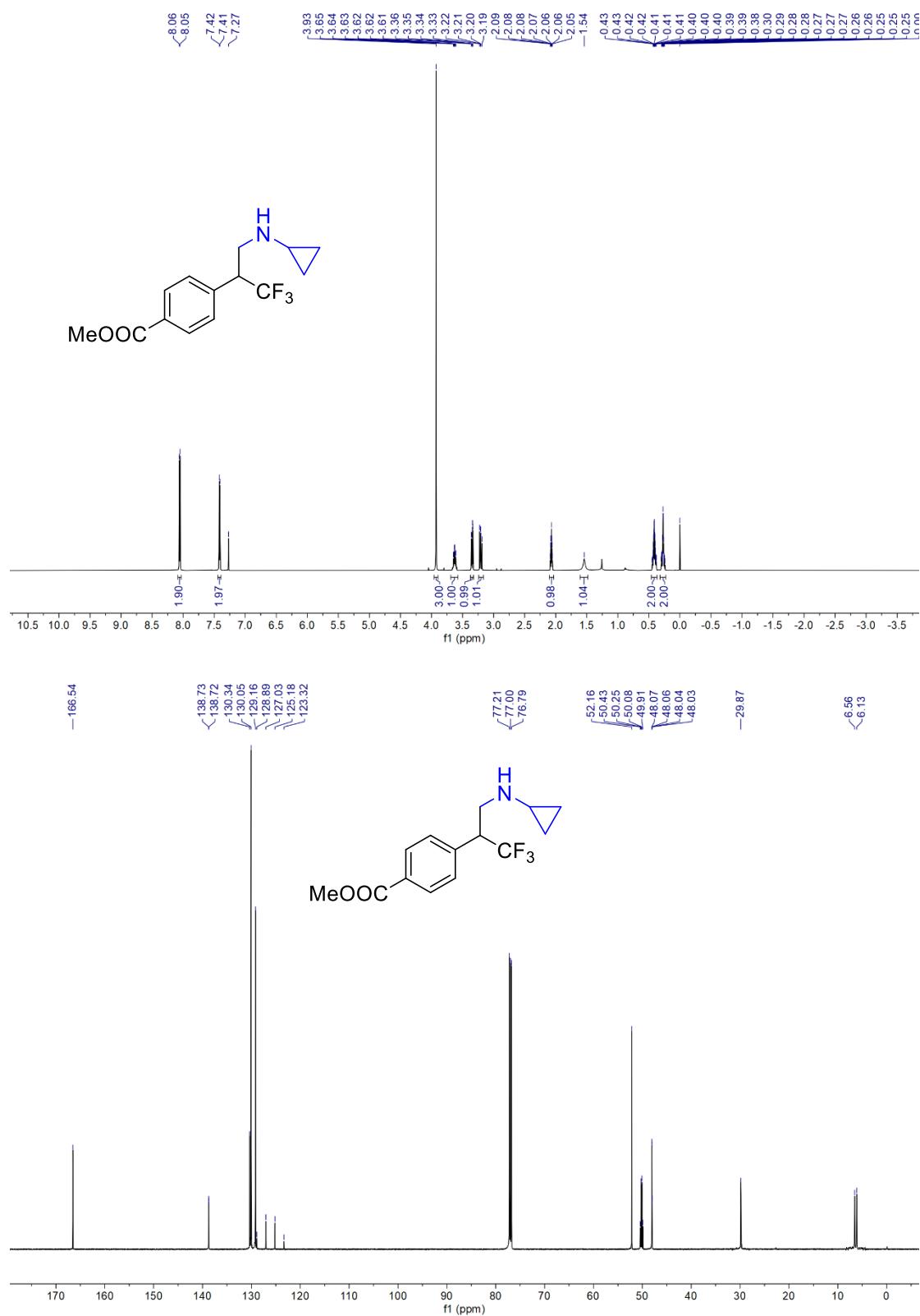


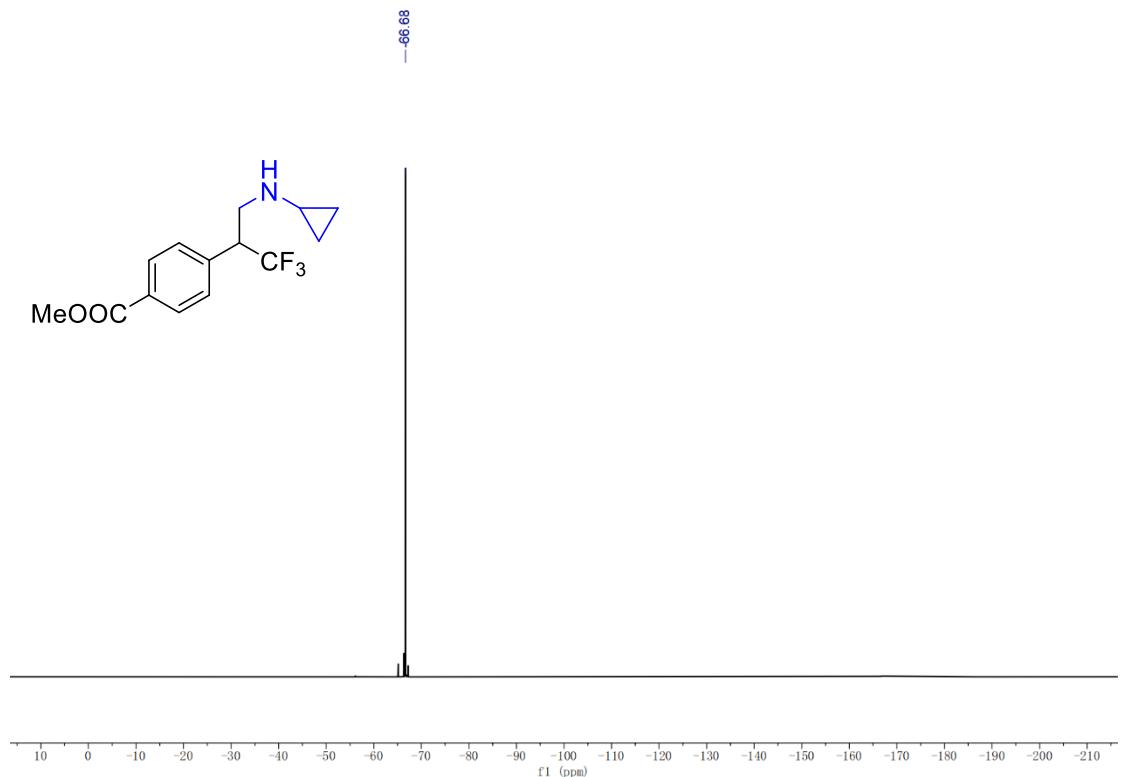
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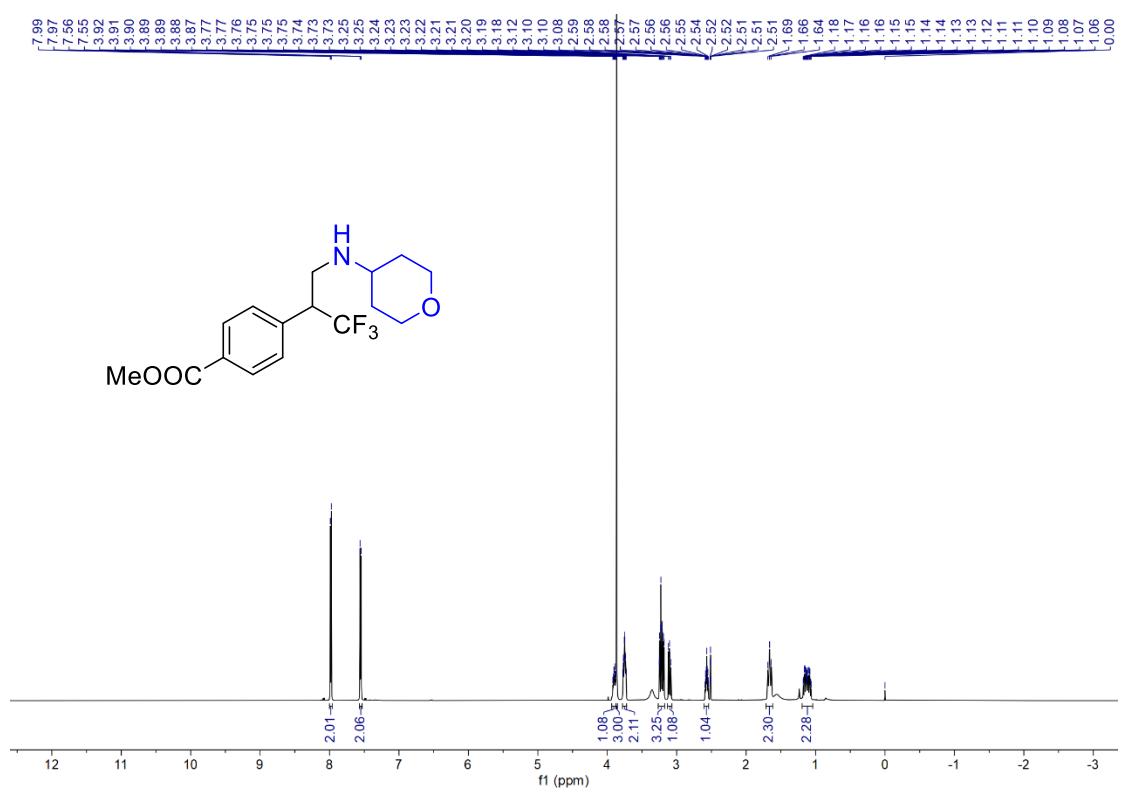


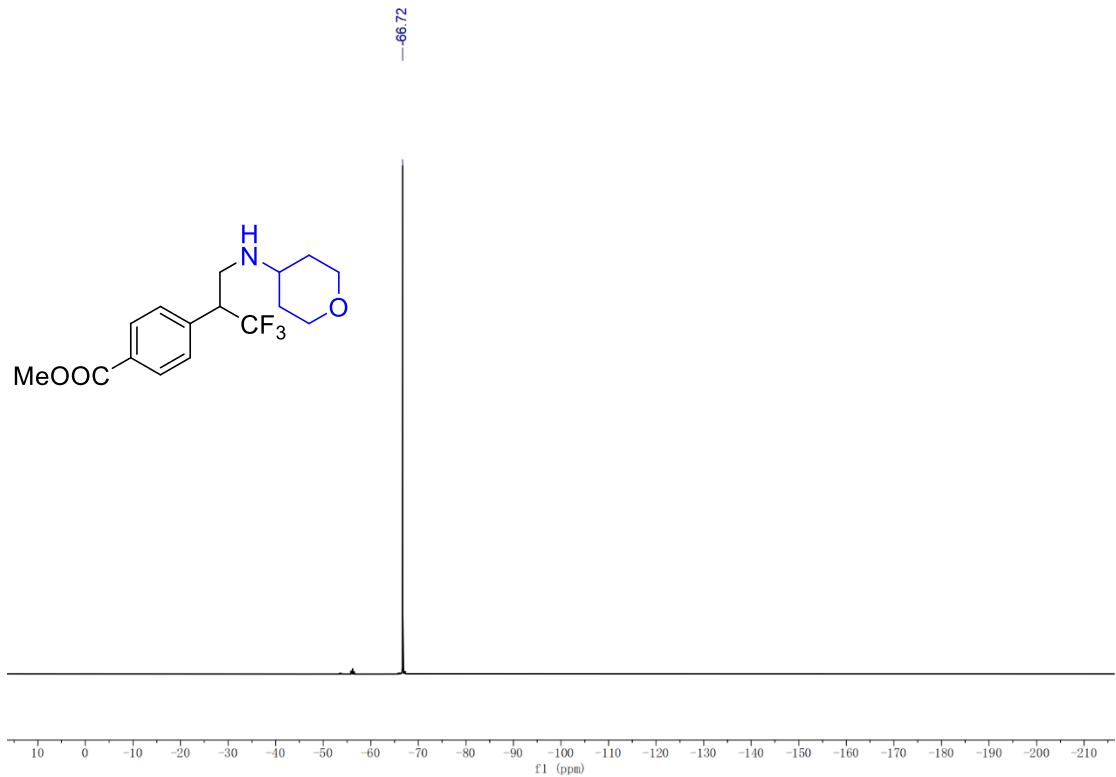
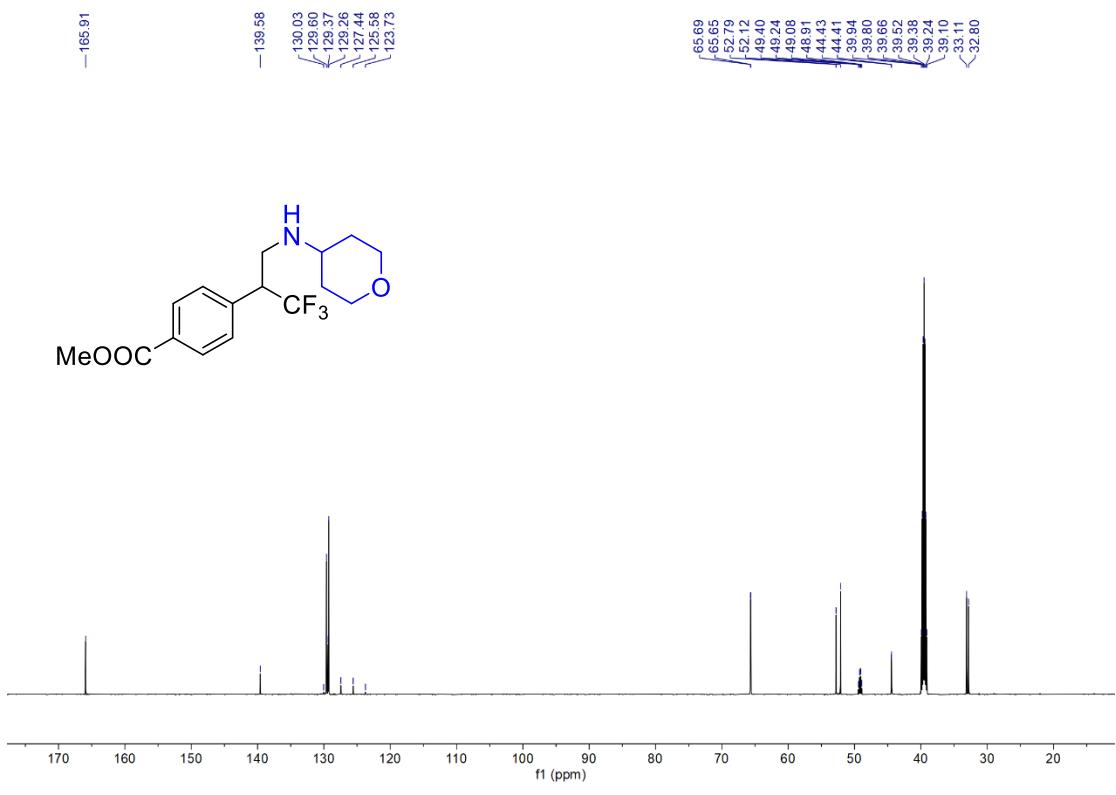
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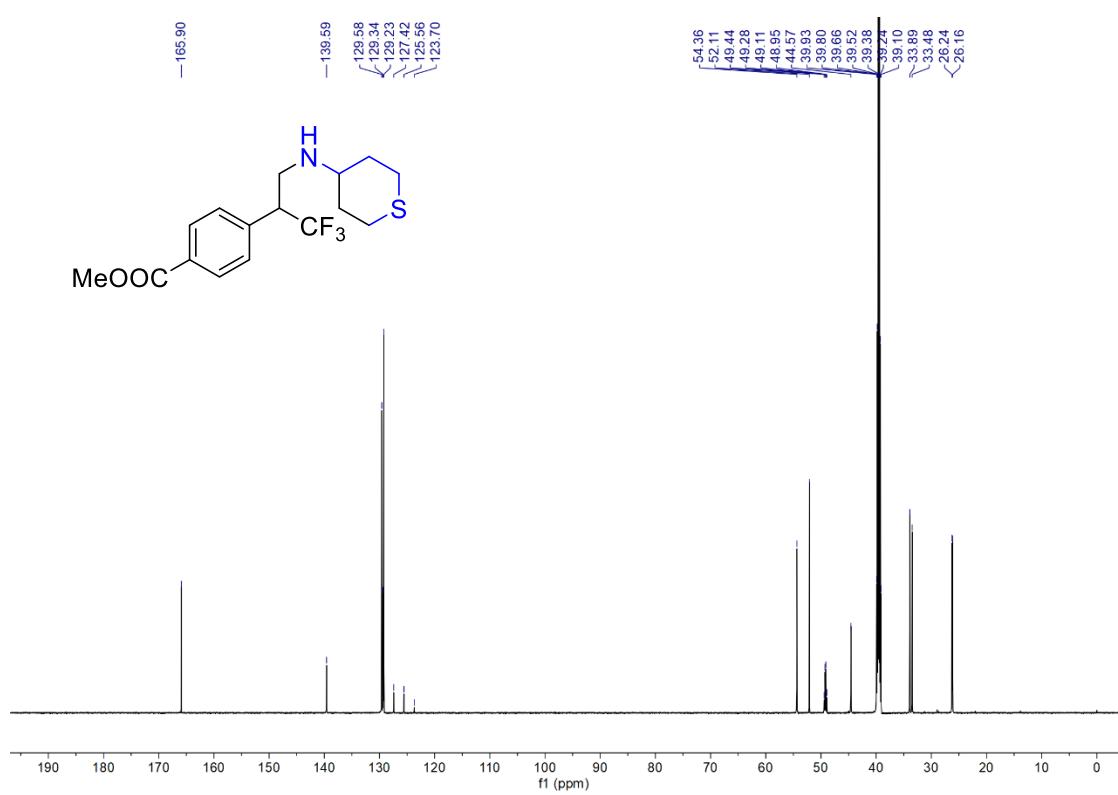
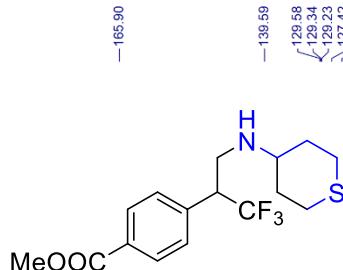
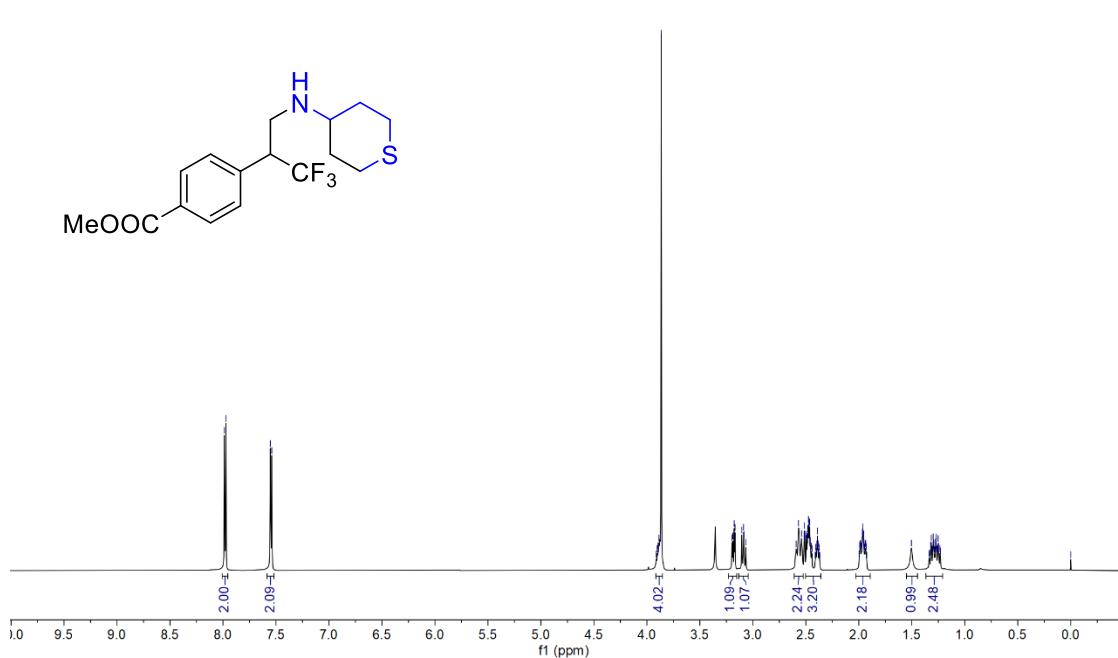
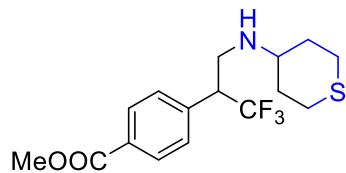


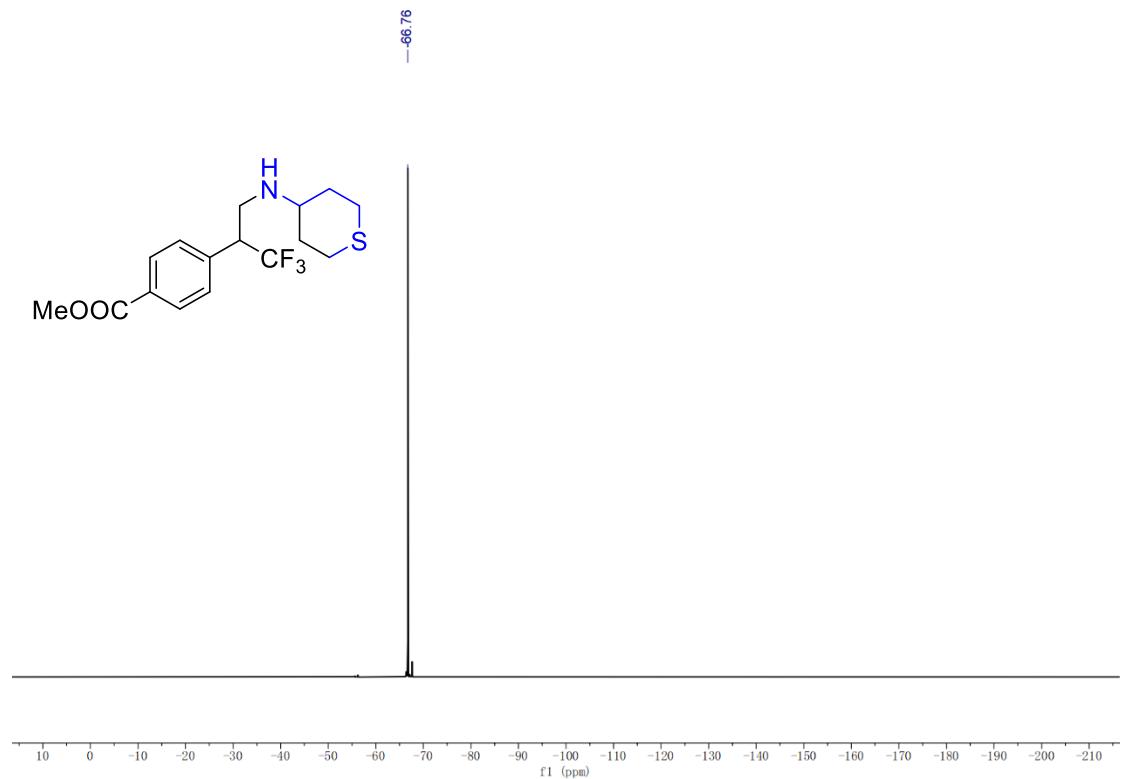
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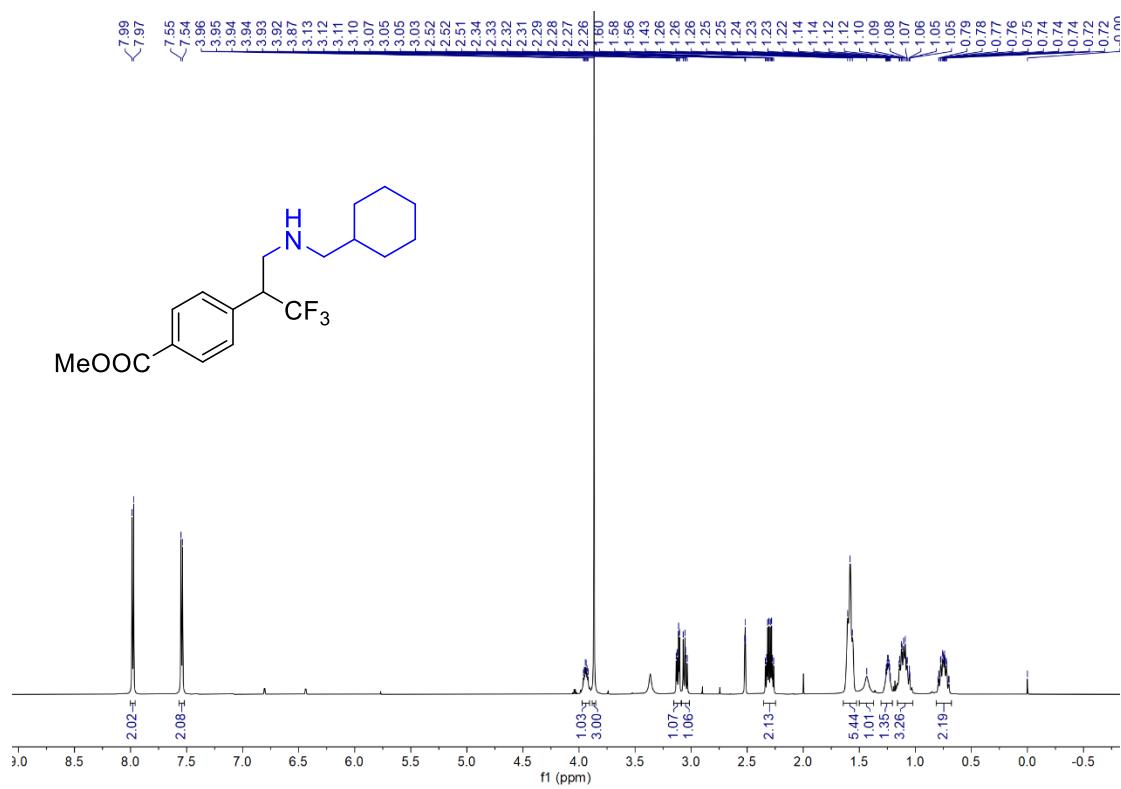


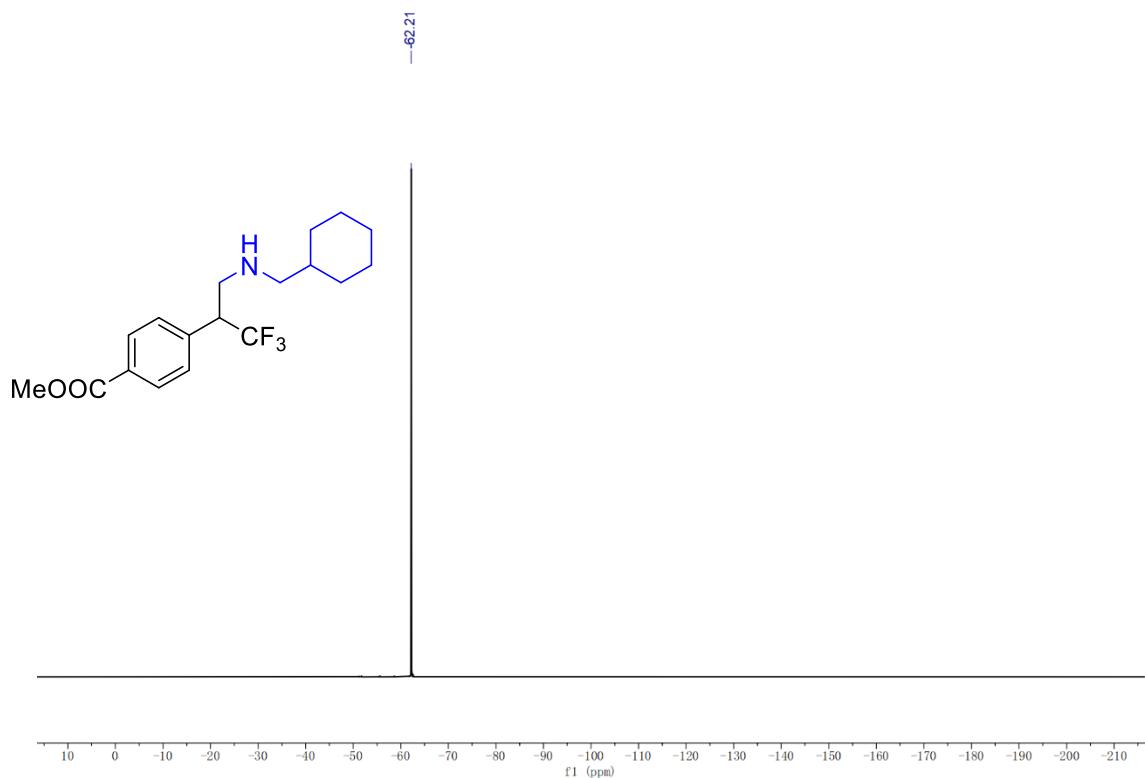
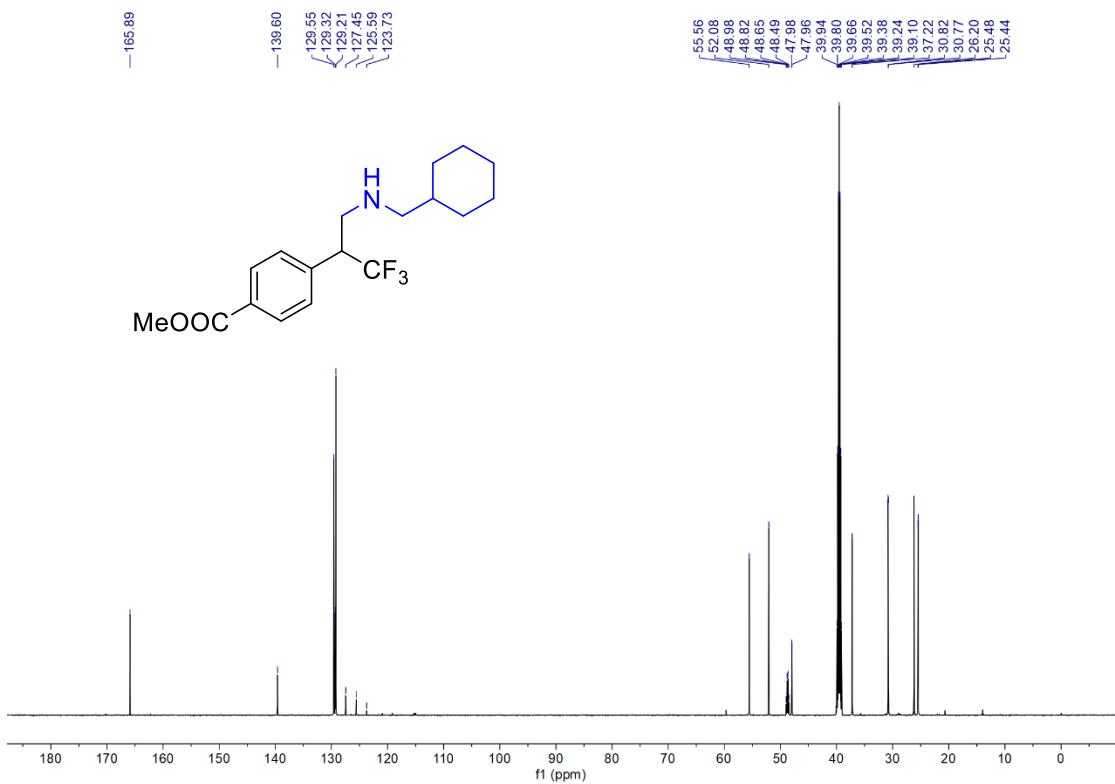
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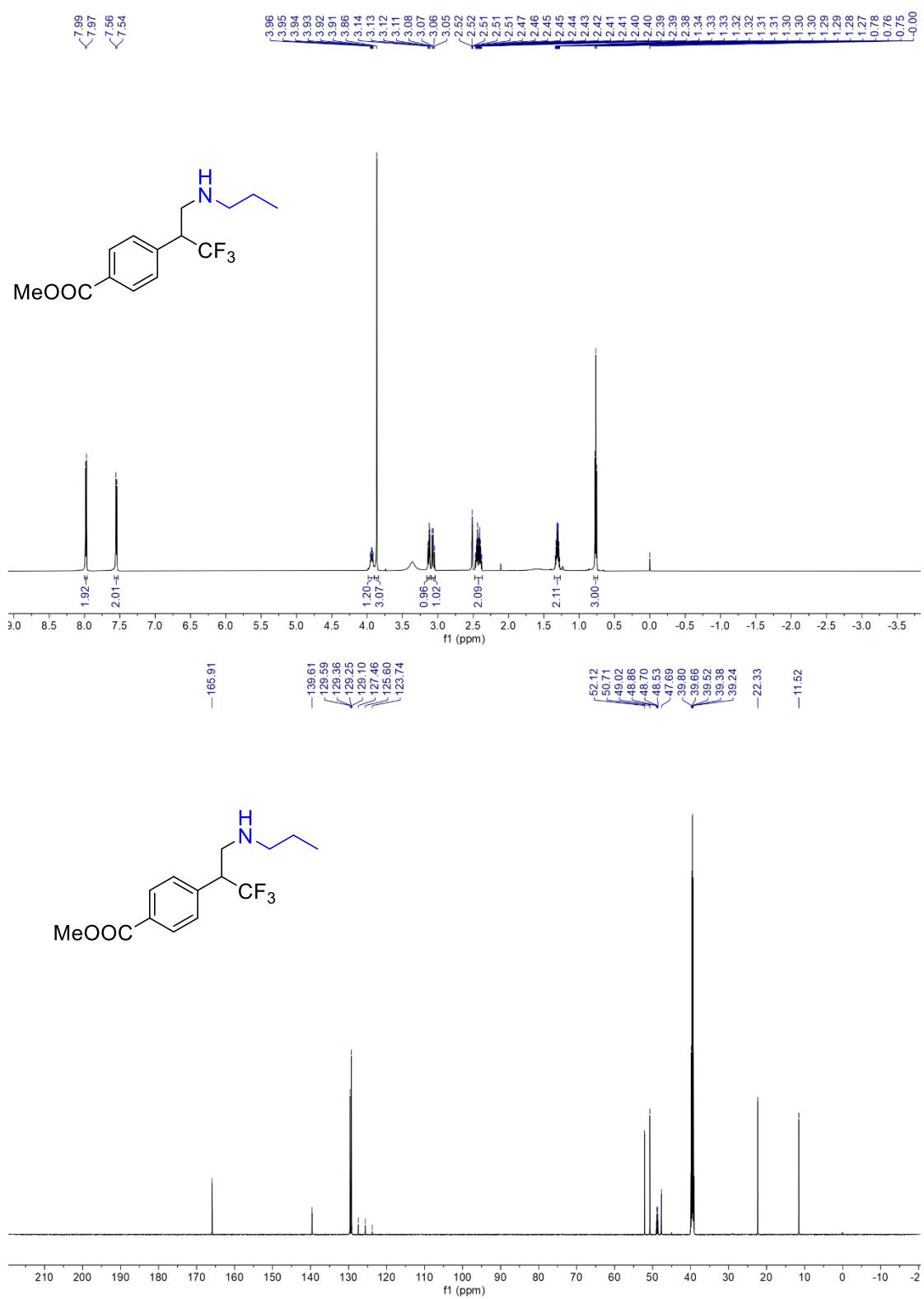


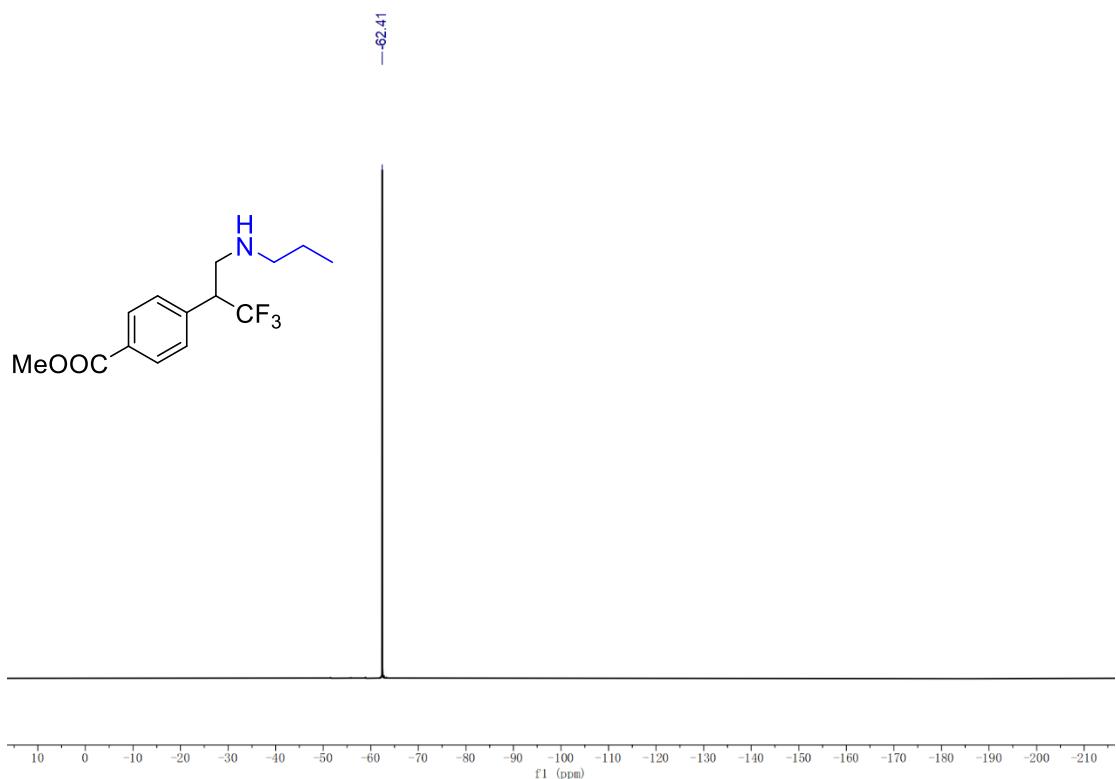
methyl 4-(3-((cyclohexylmethyl)amino)-1,1,1-trifluoropropan-2-yl)benzoate (**5f**)



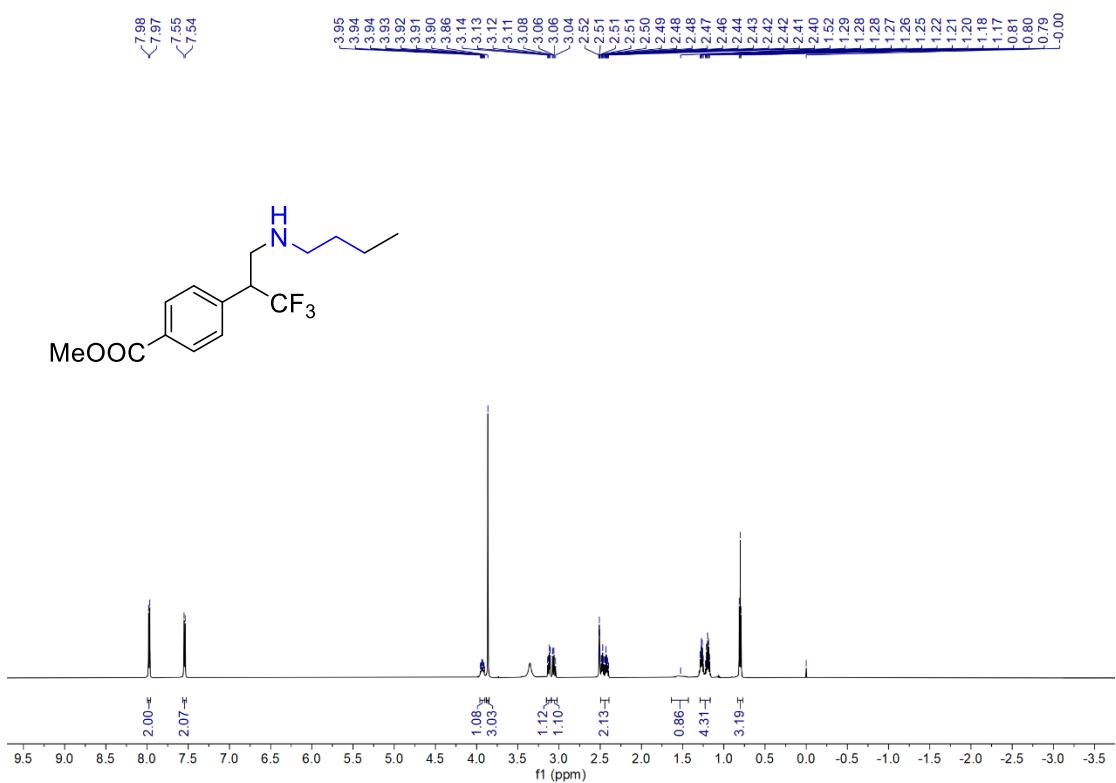


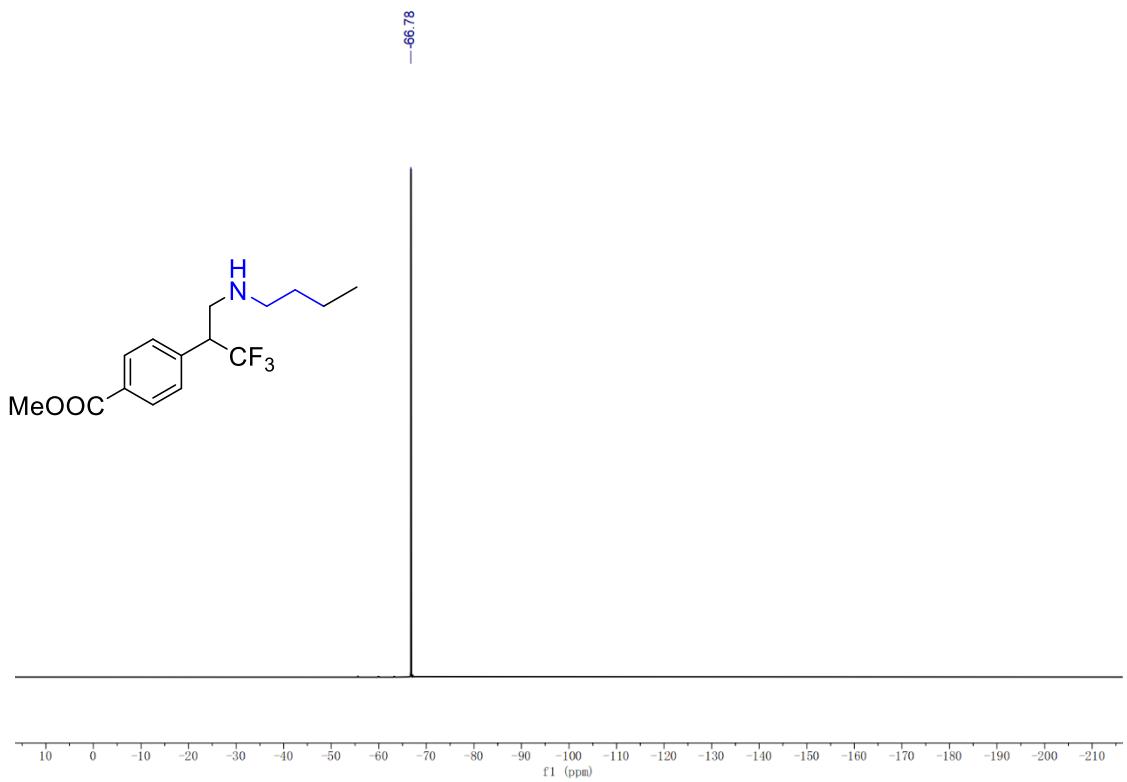
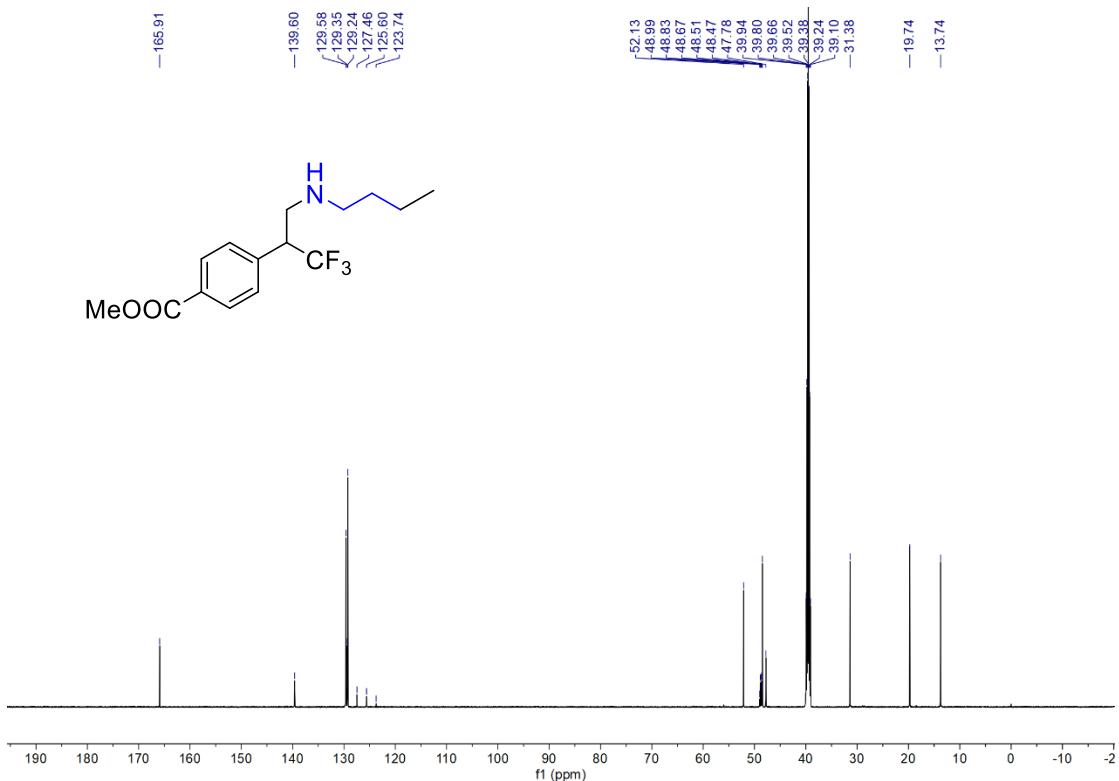
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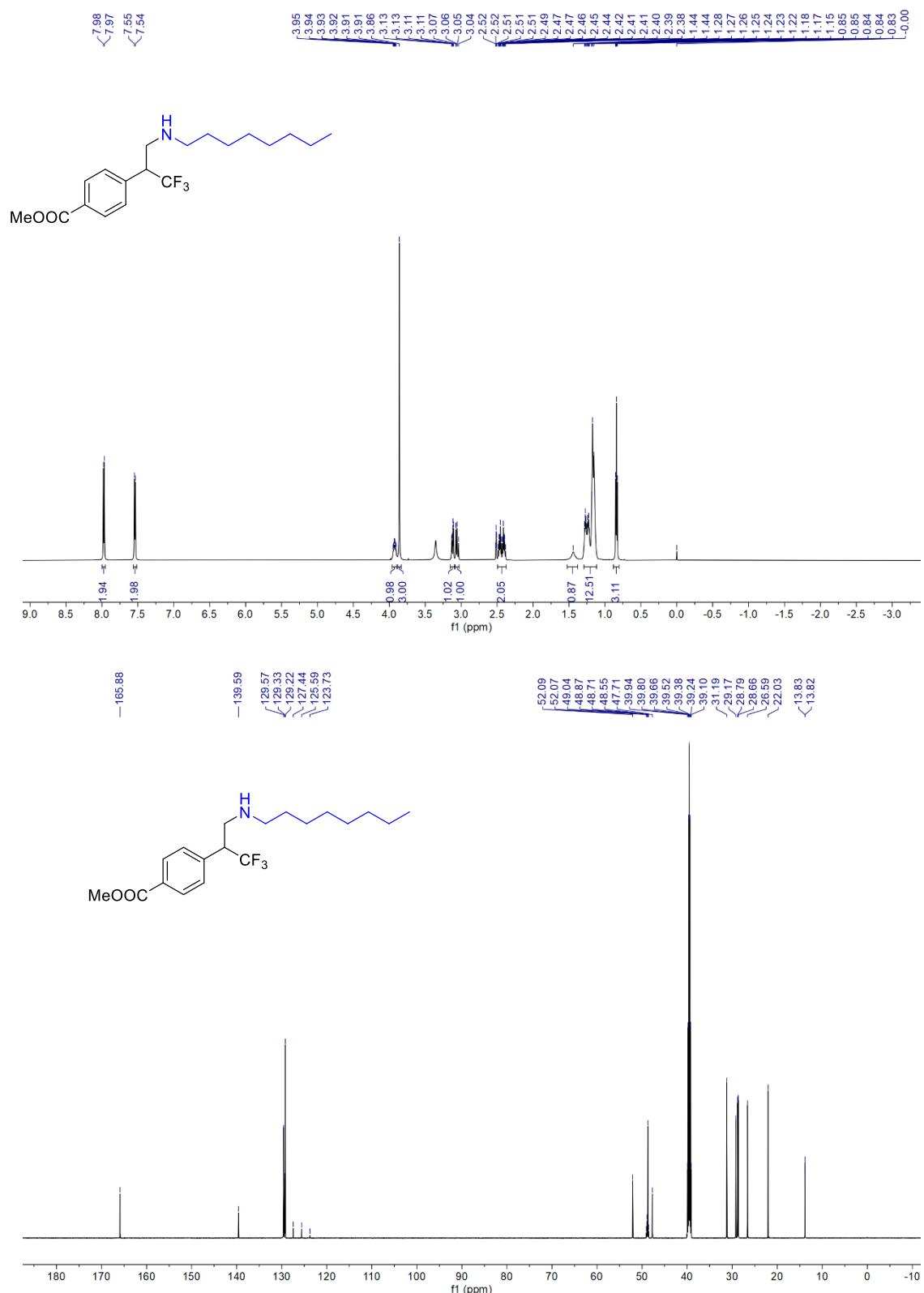


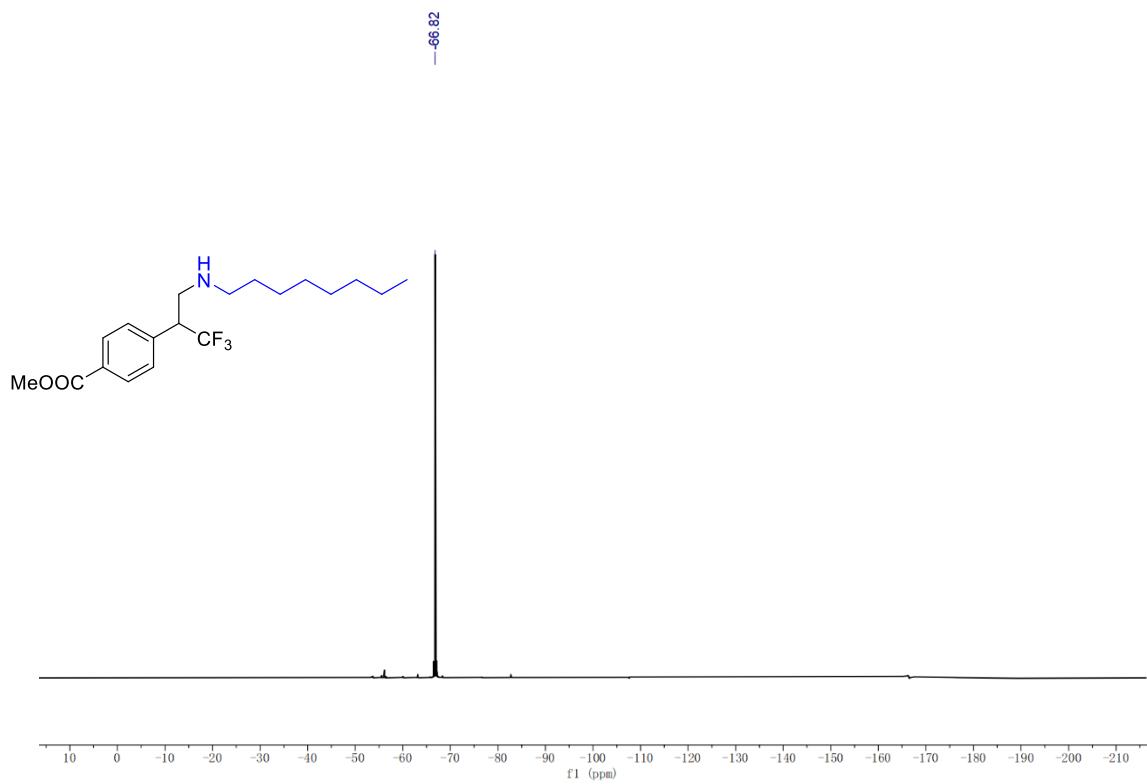
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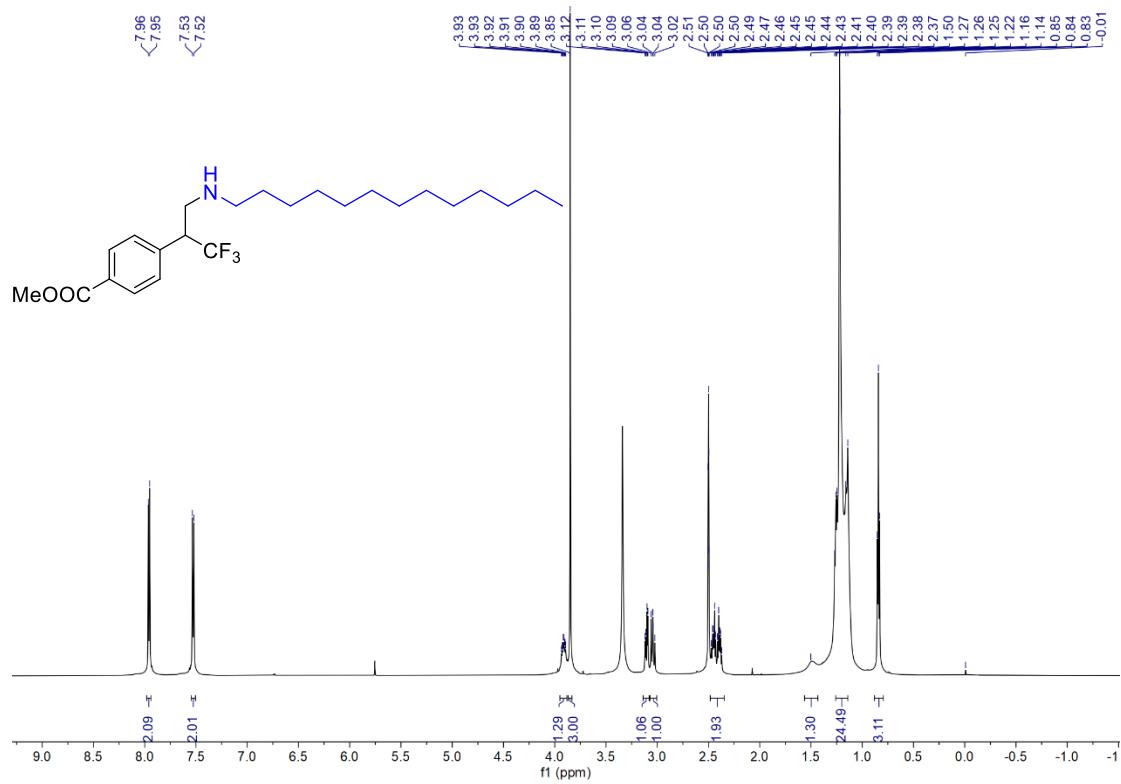


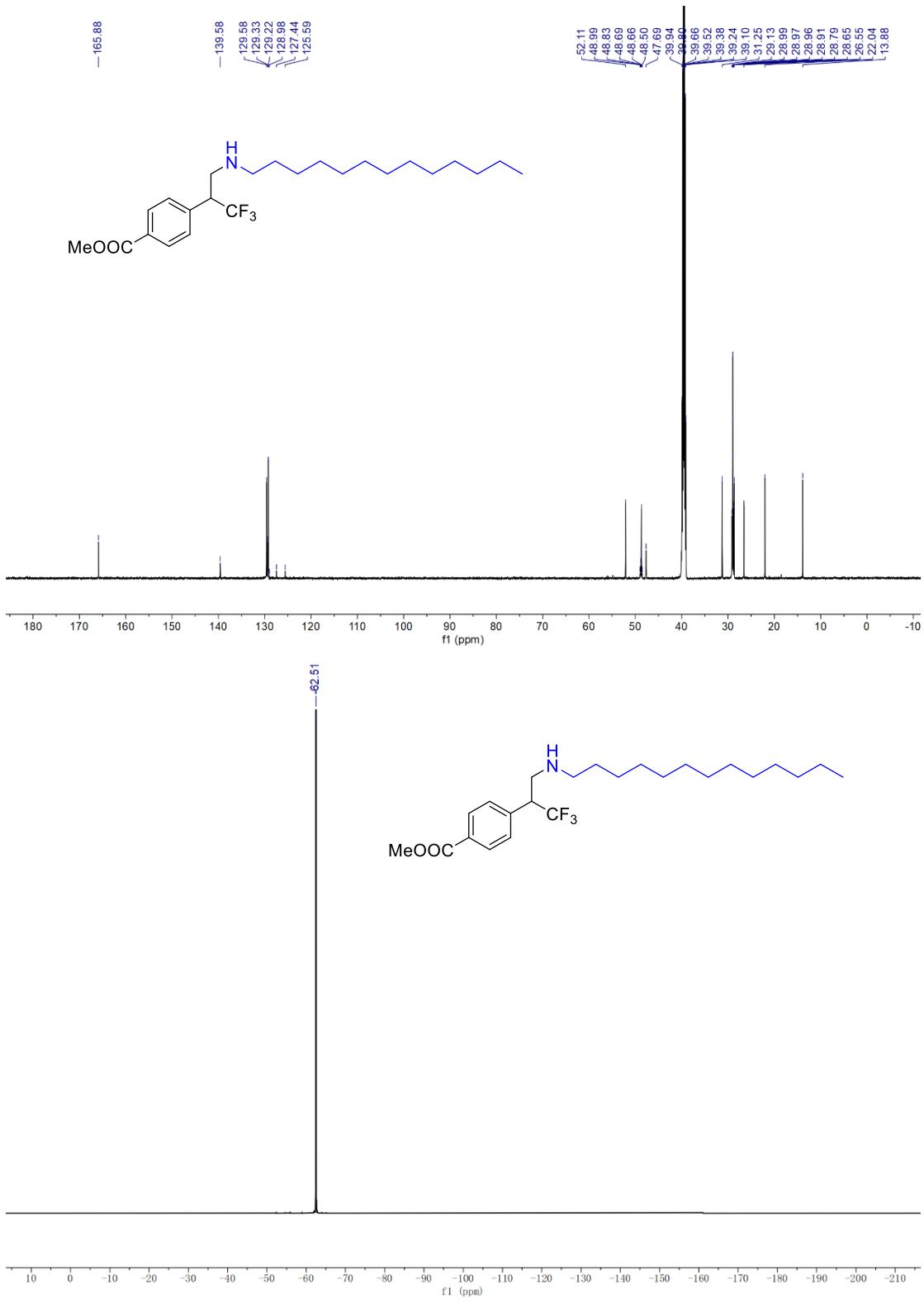
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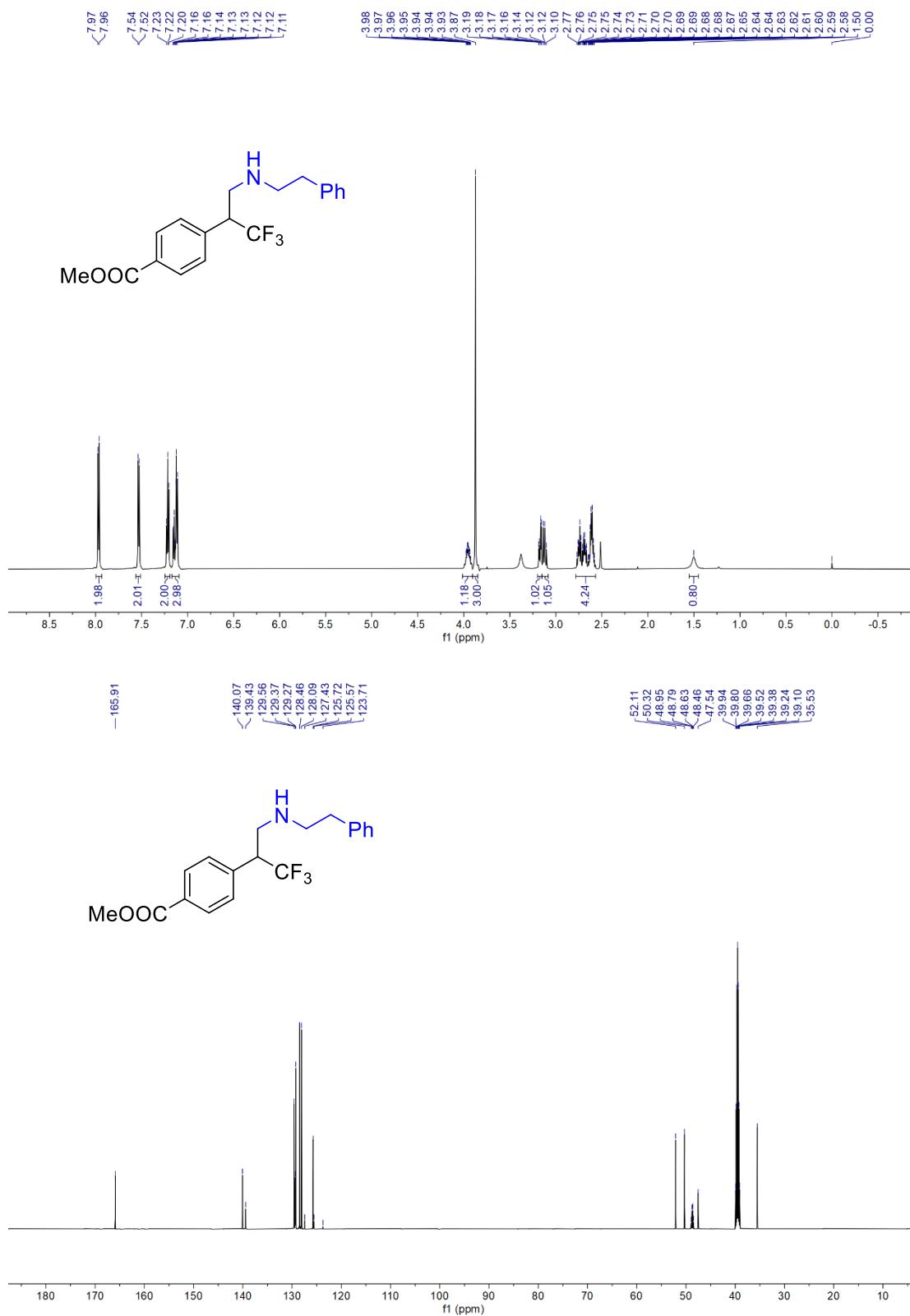


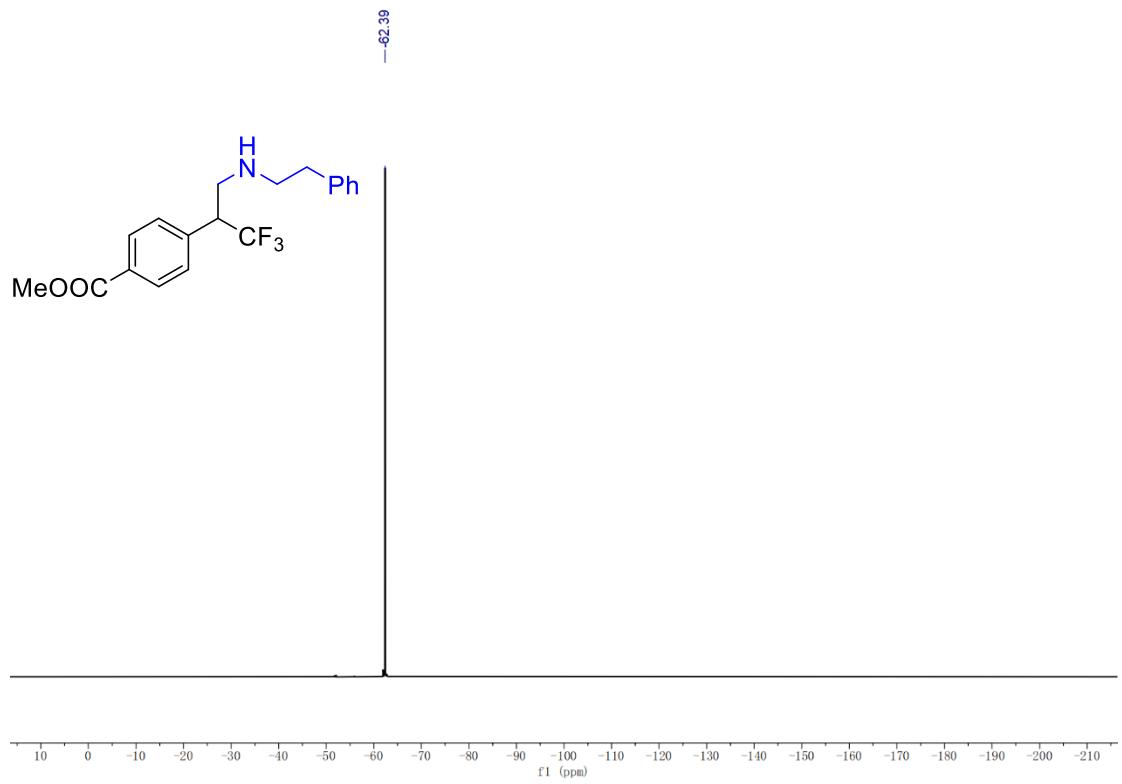
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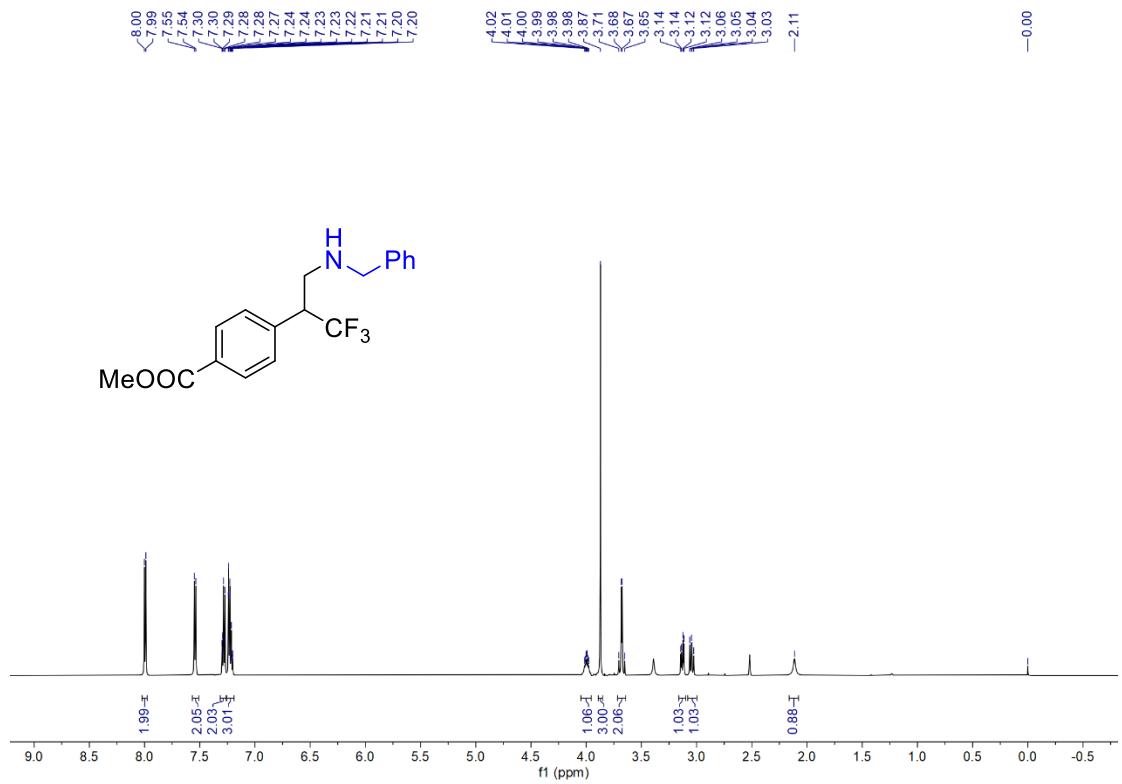


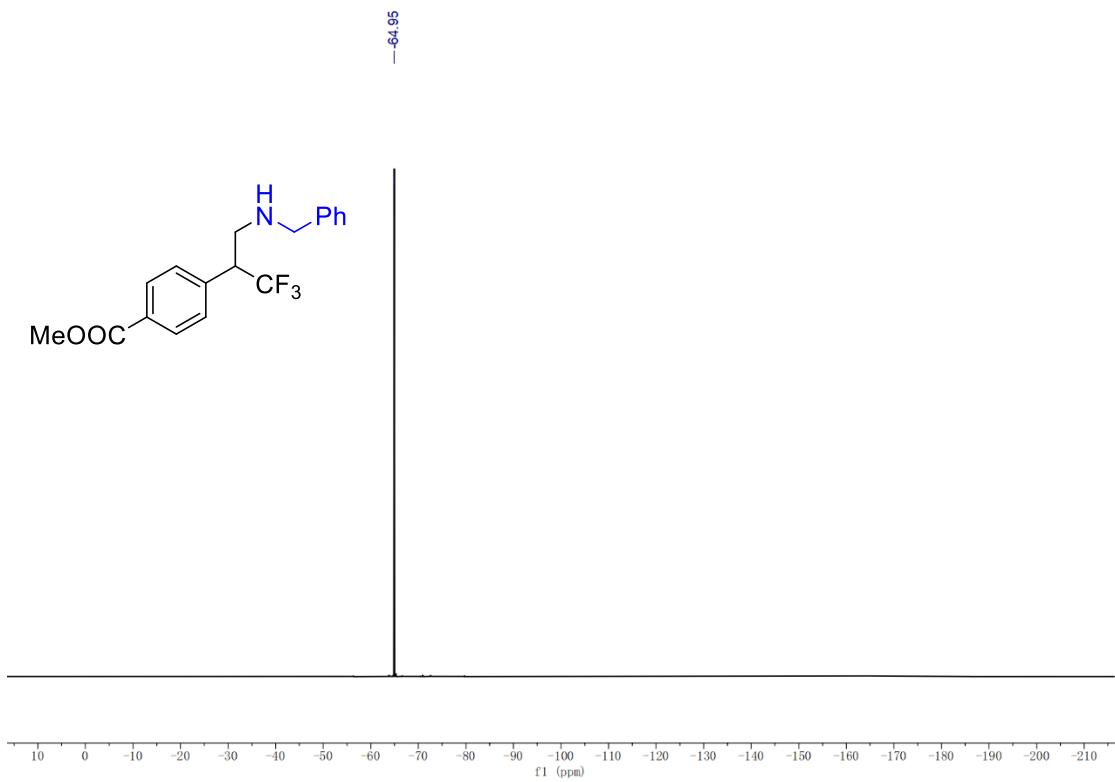
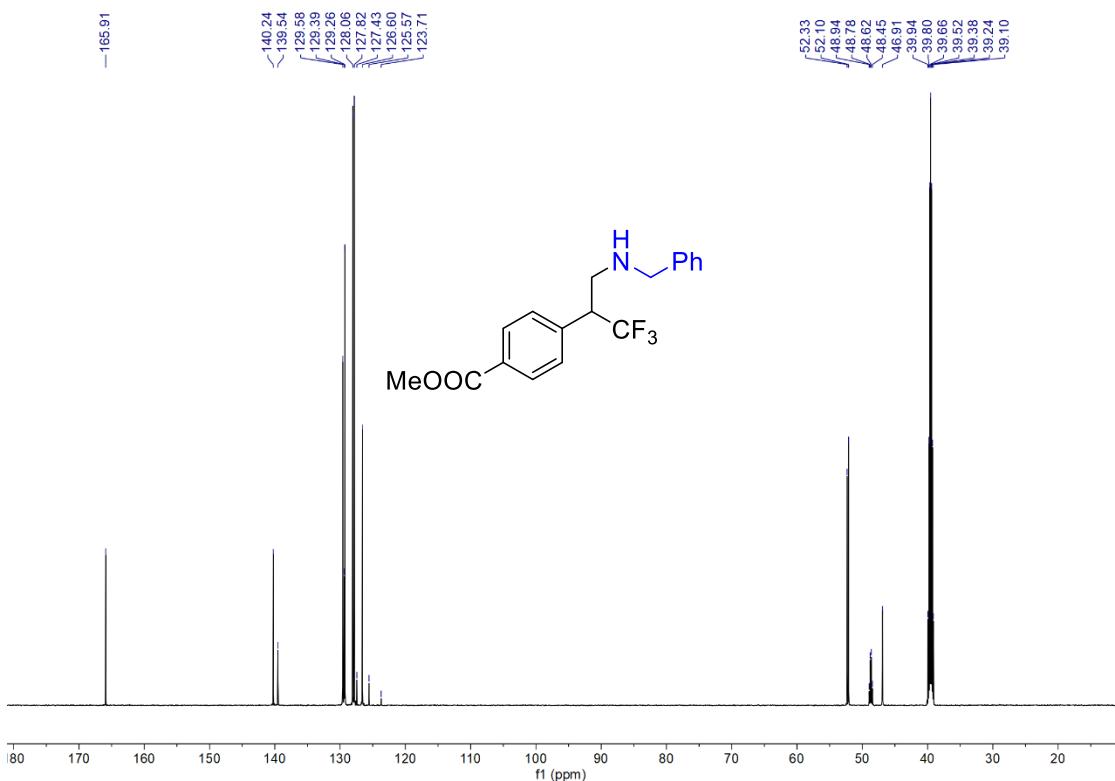
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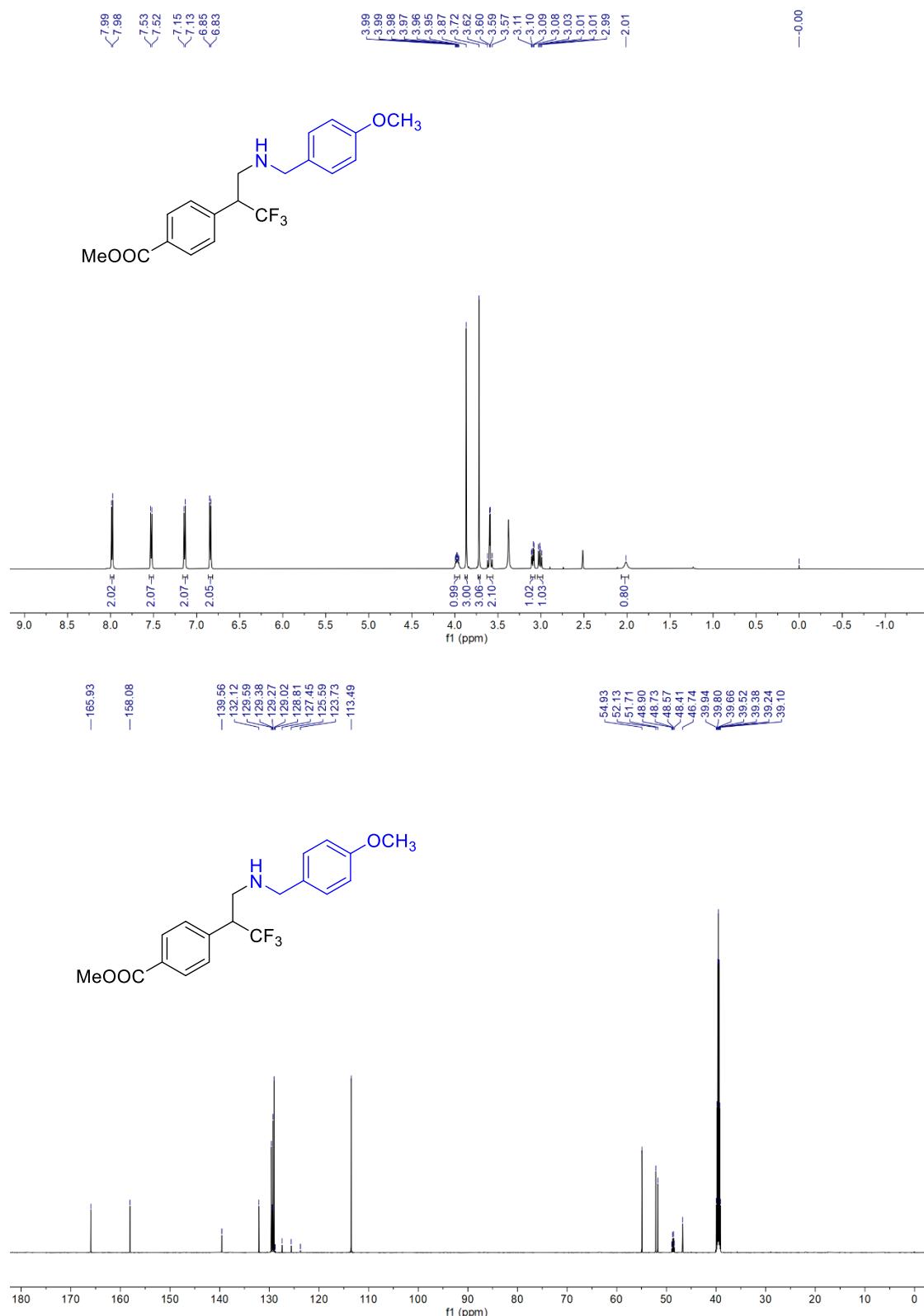


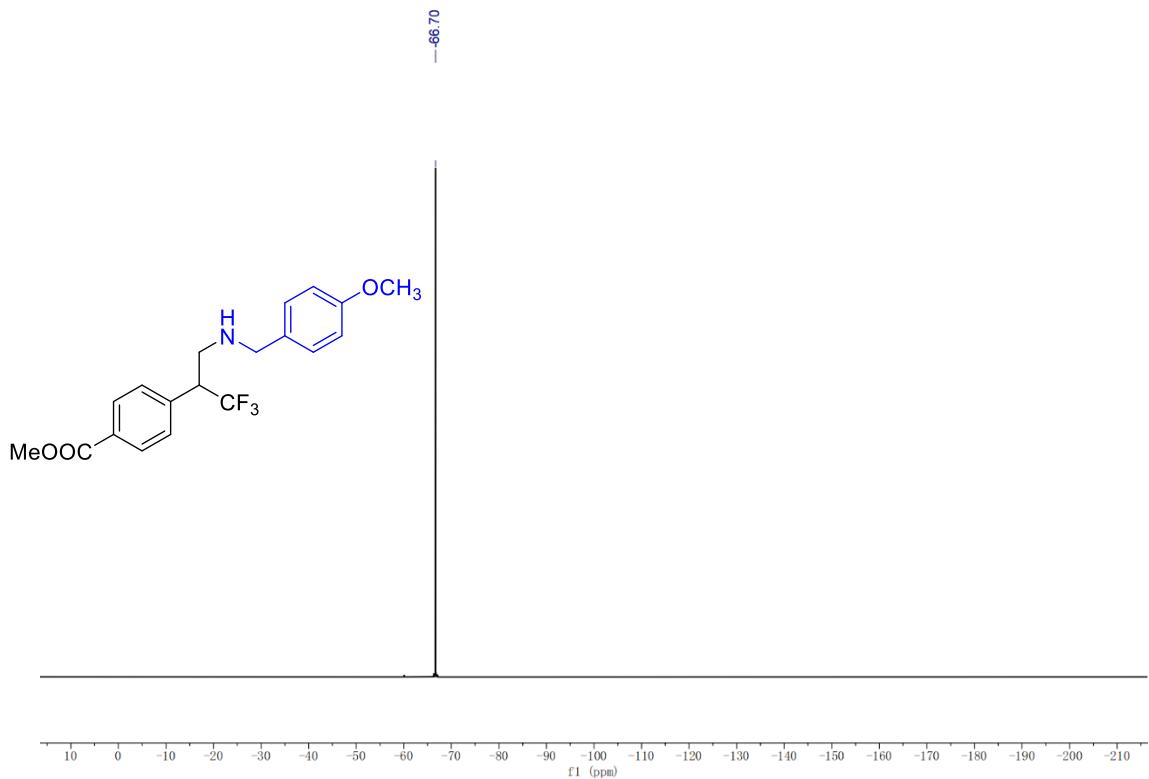
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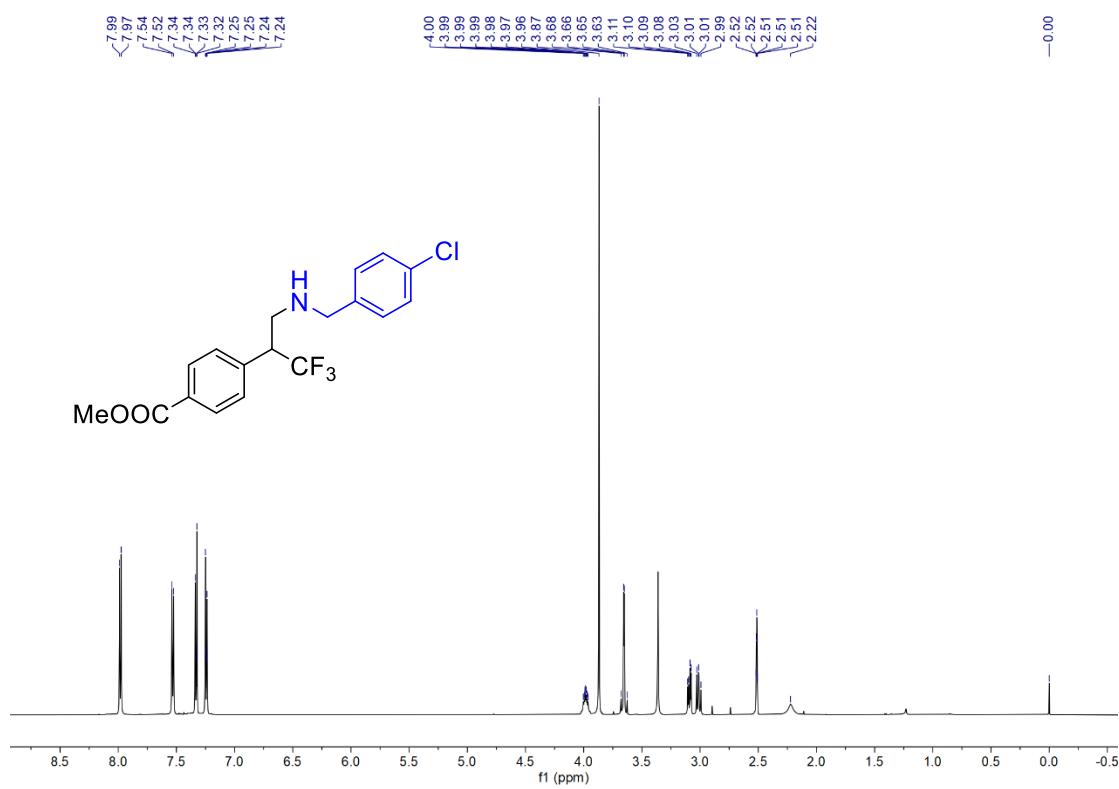


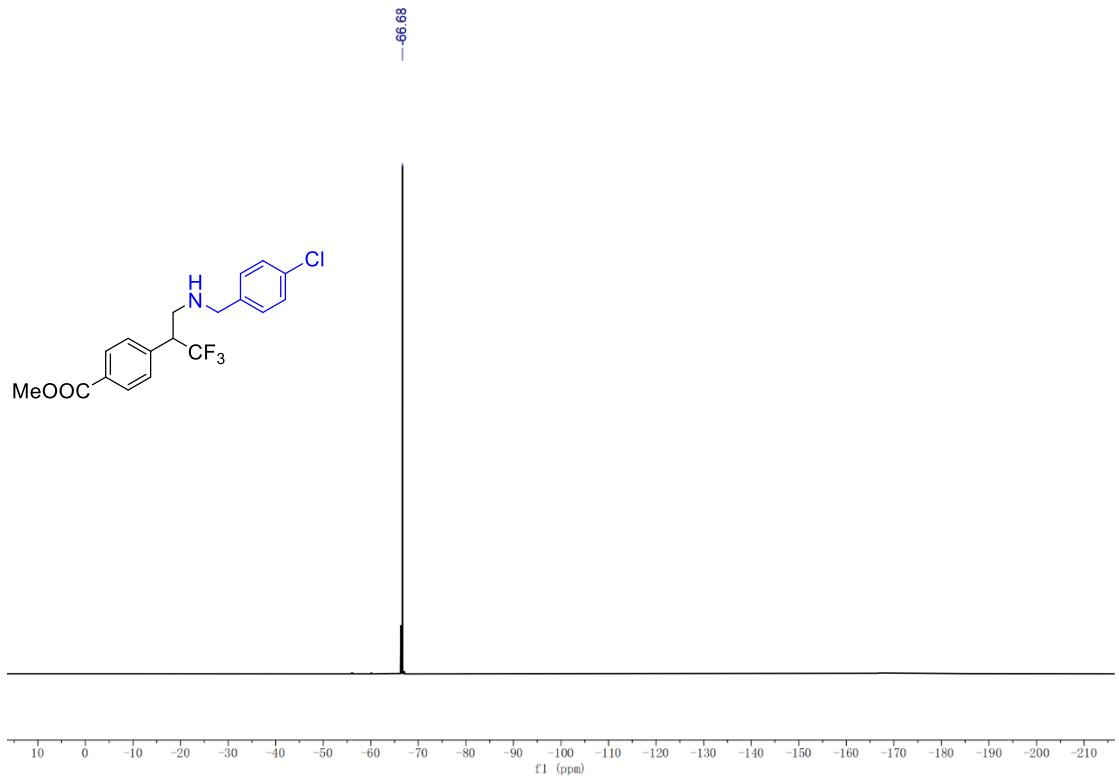
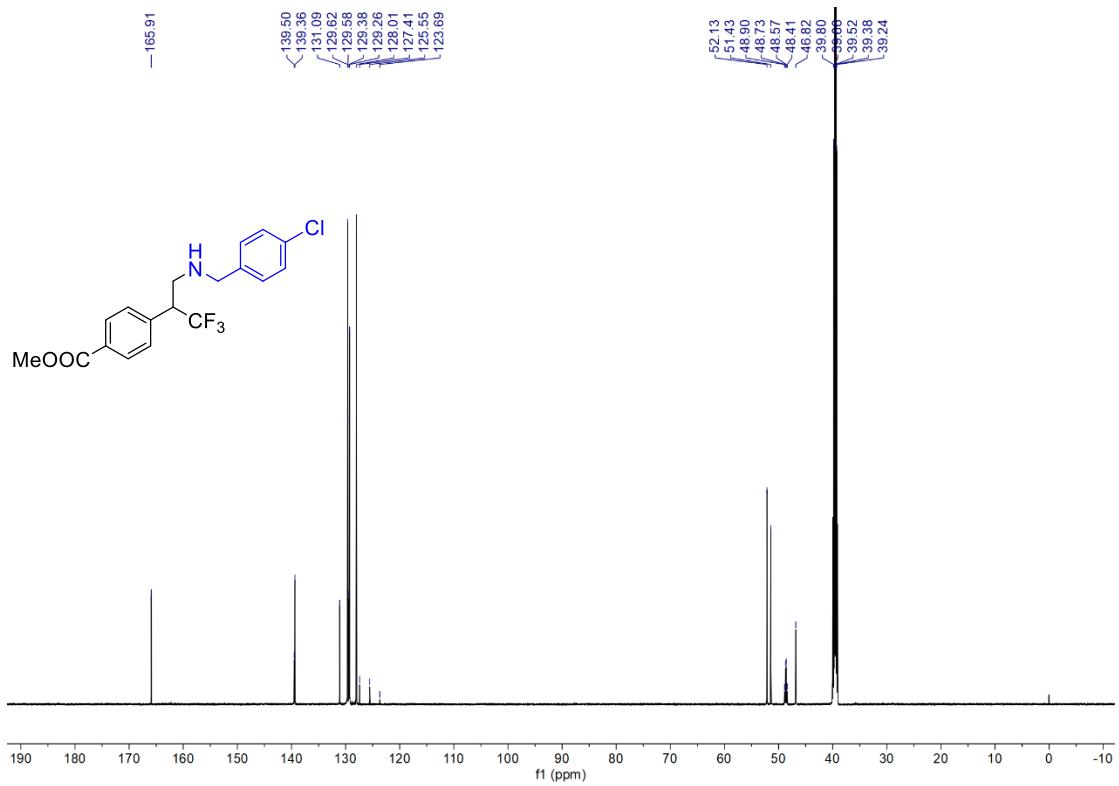
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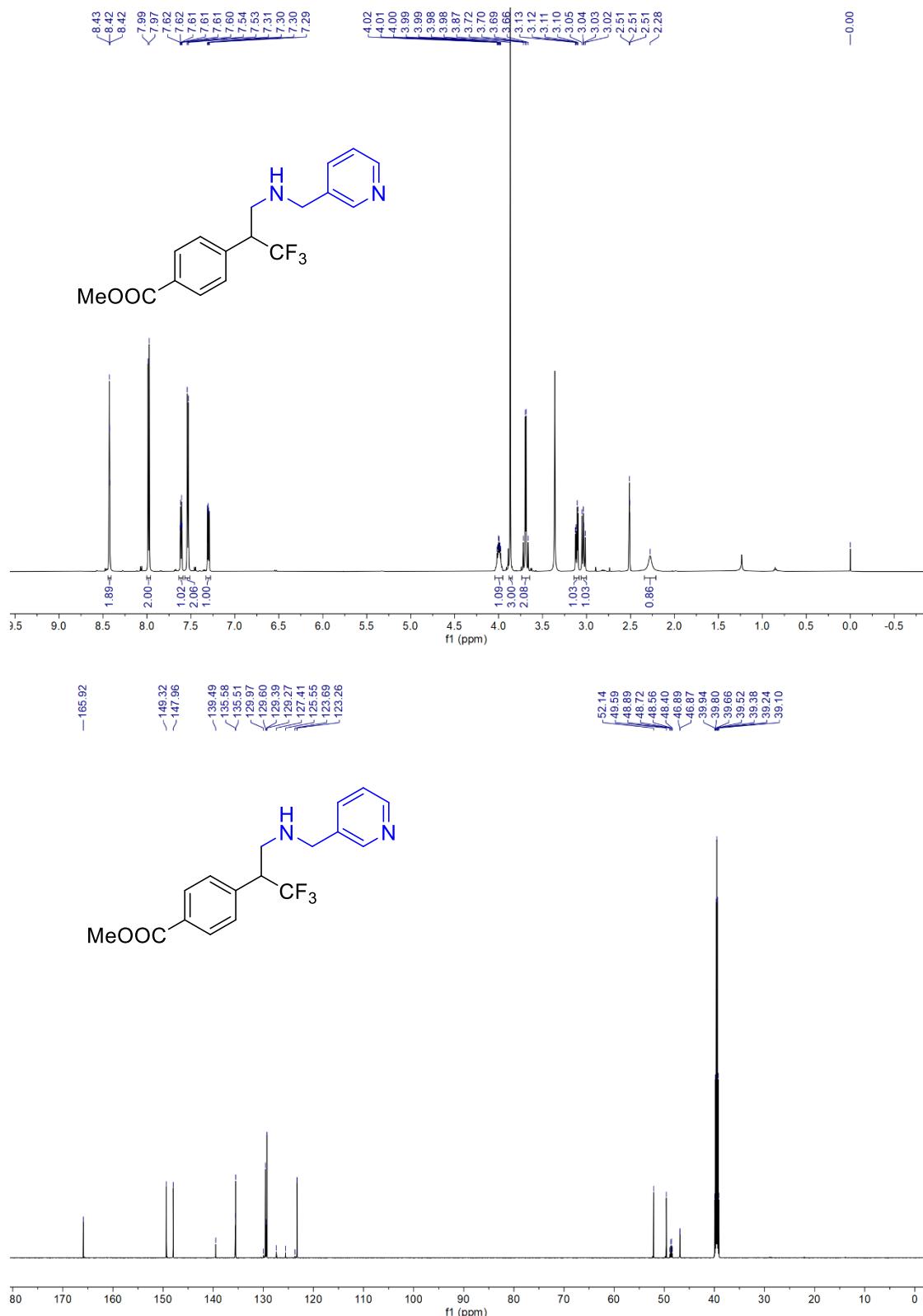


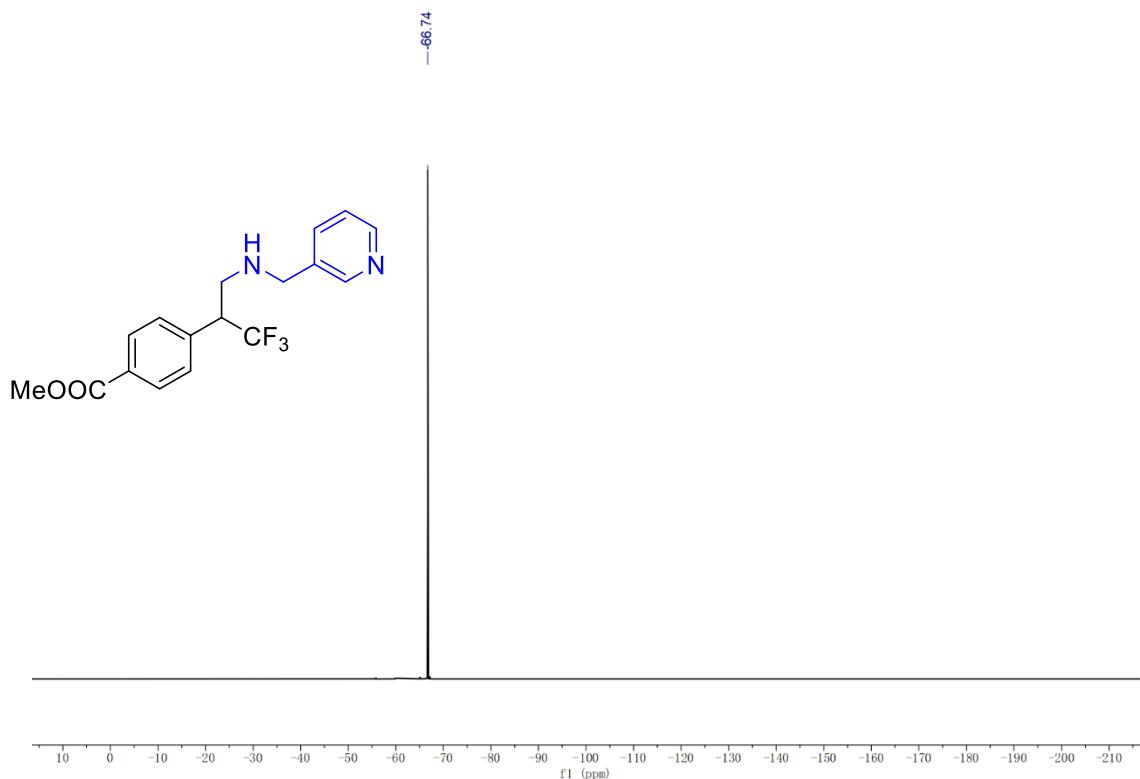
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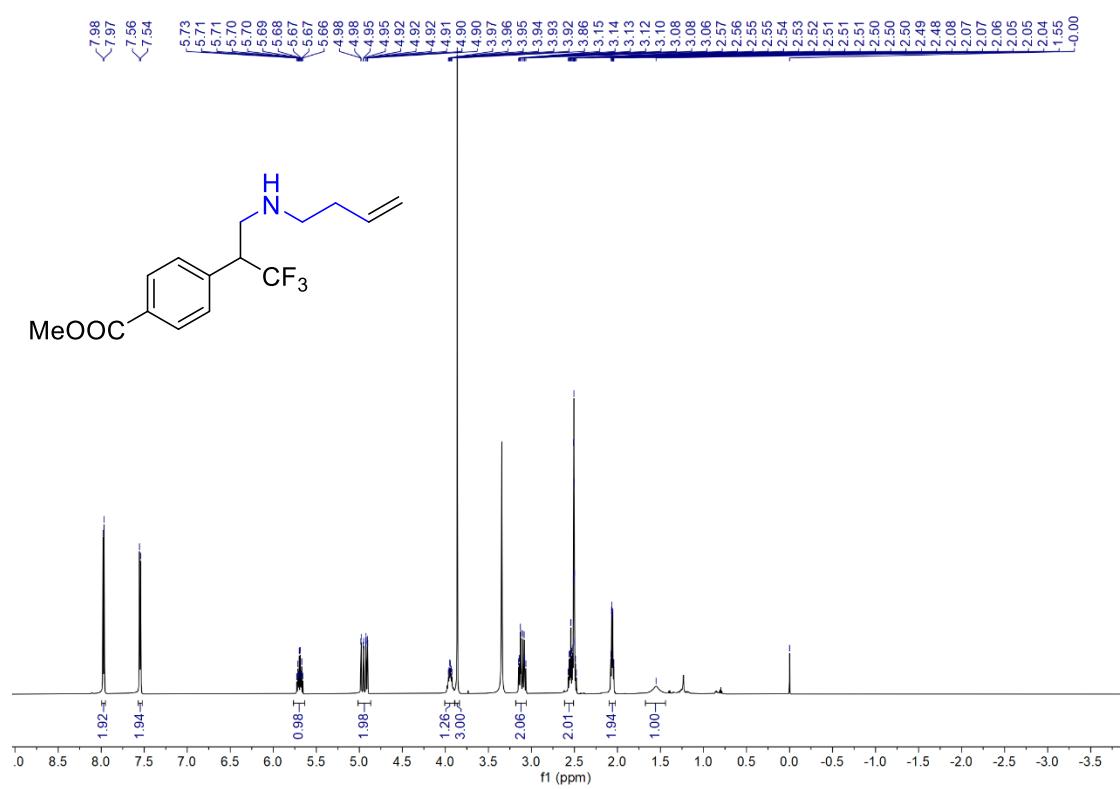


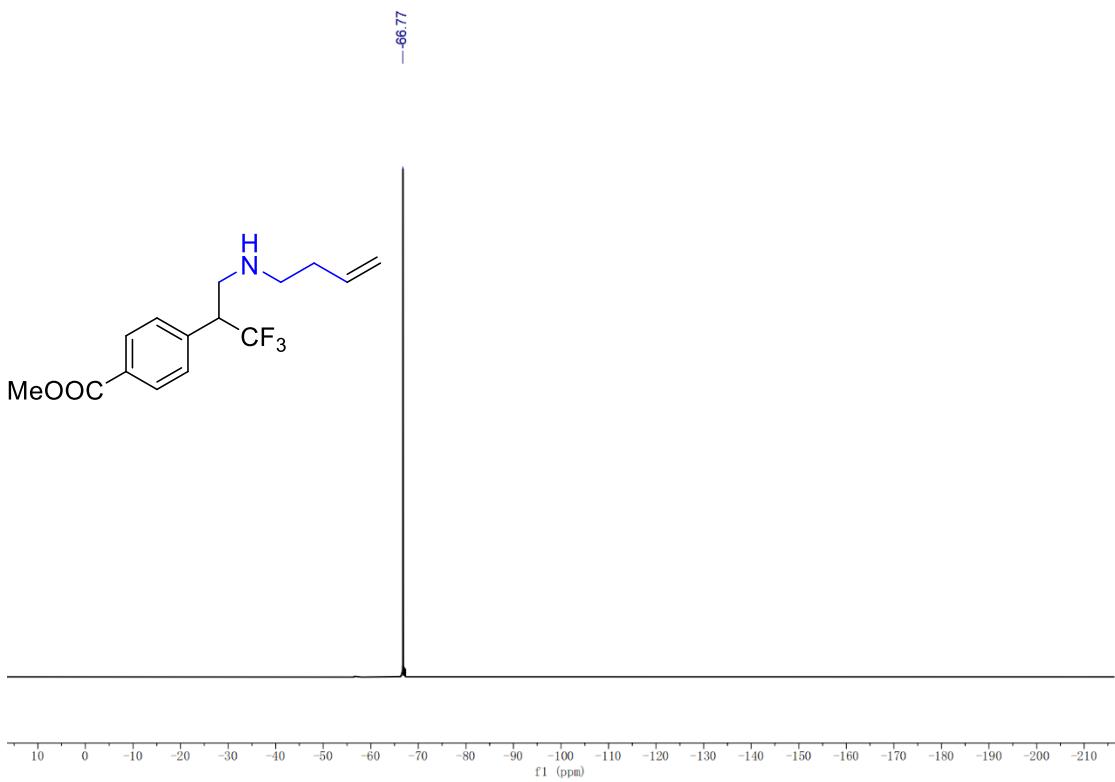
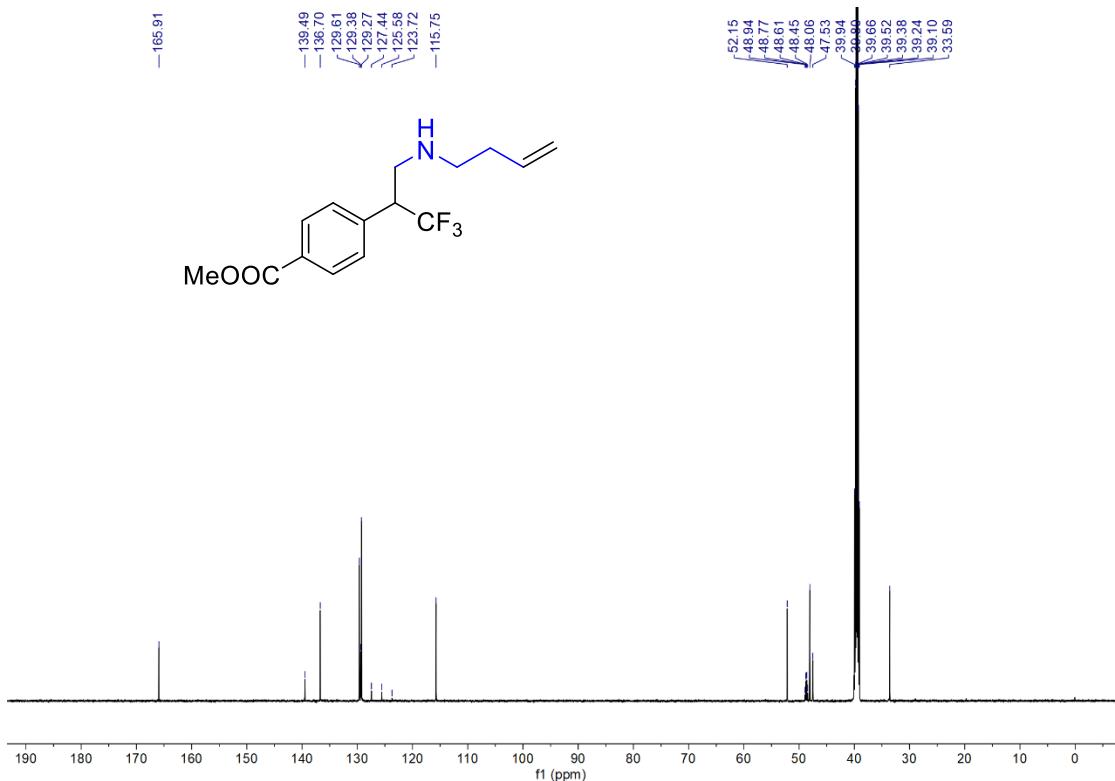
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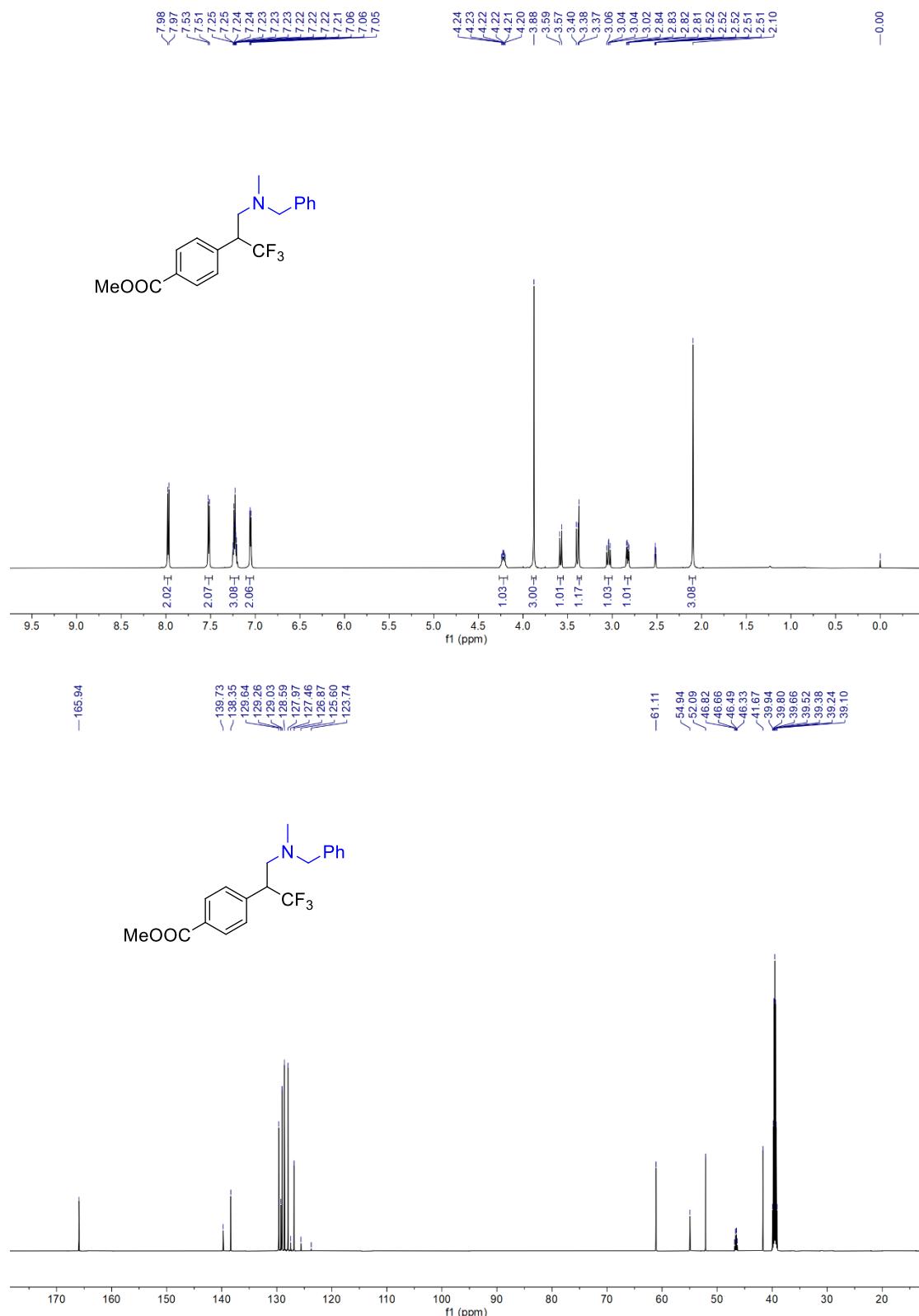


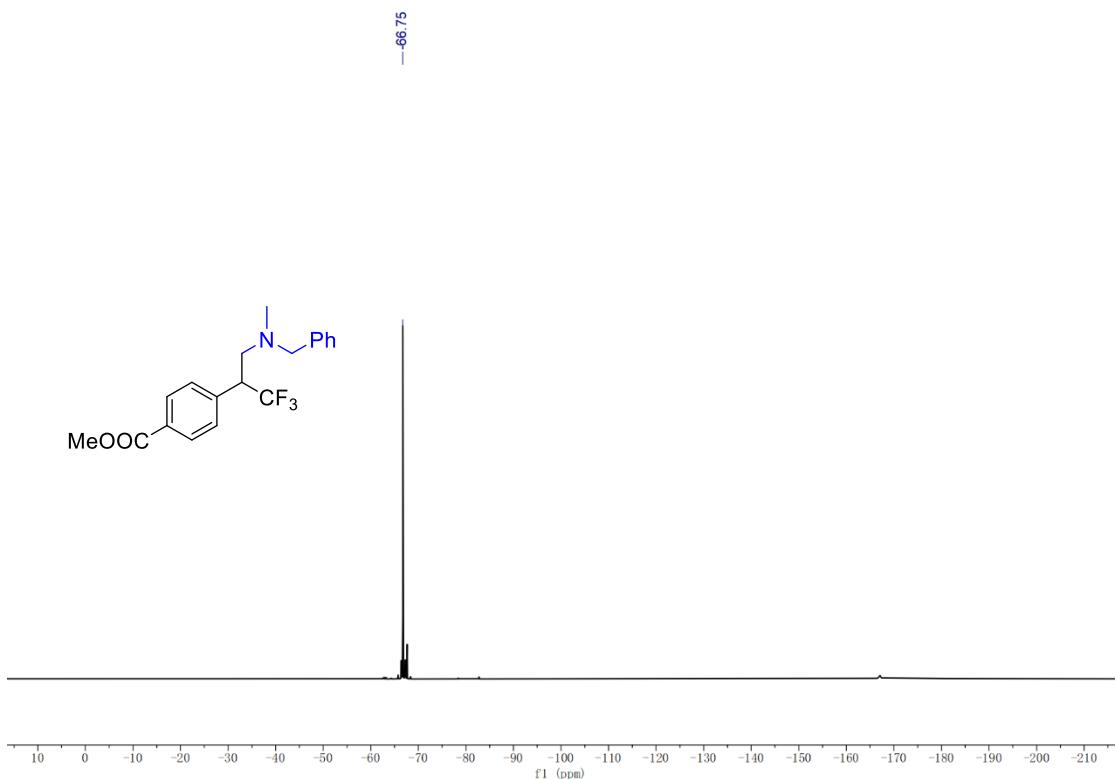
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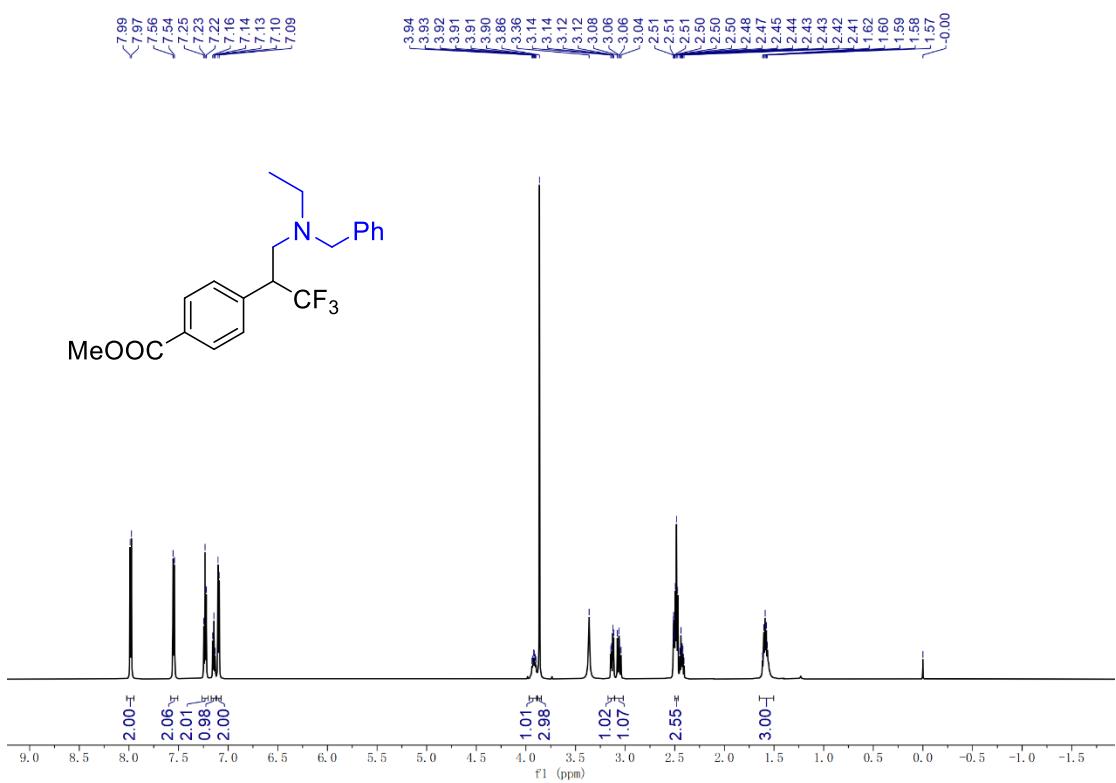


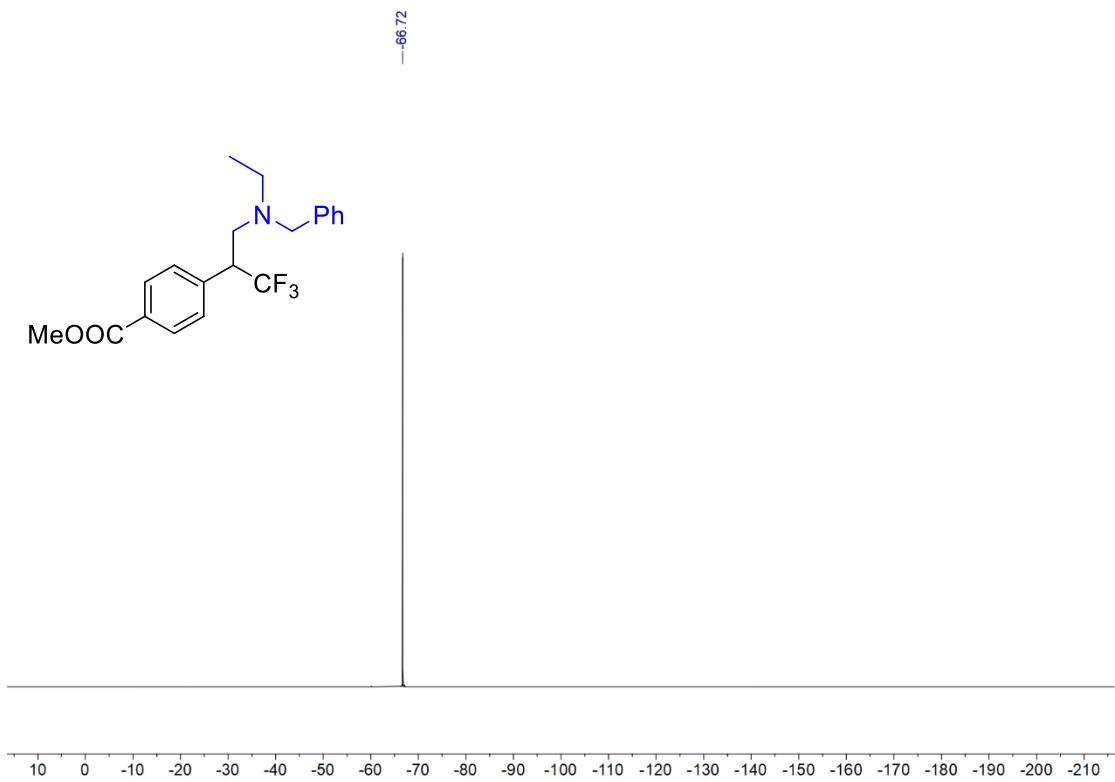
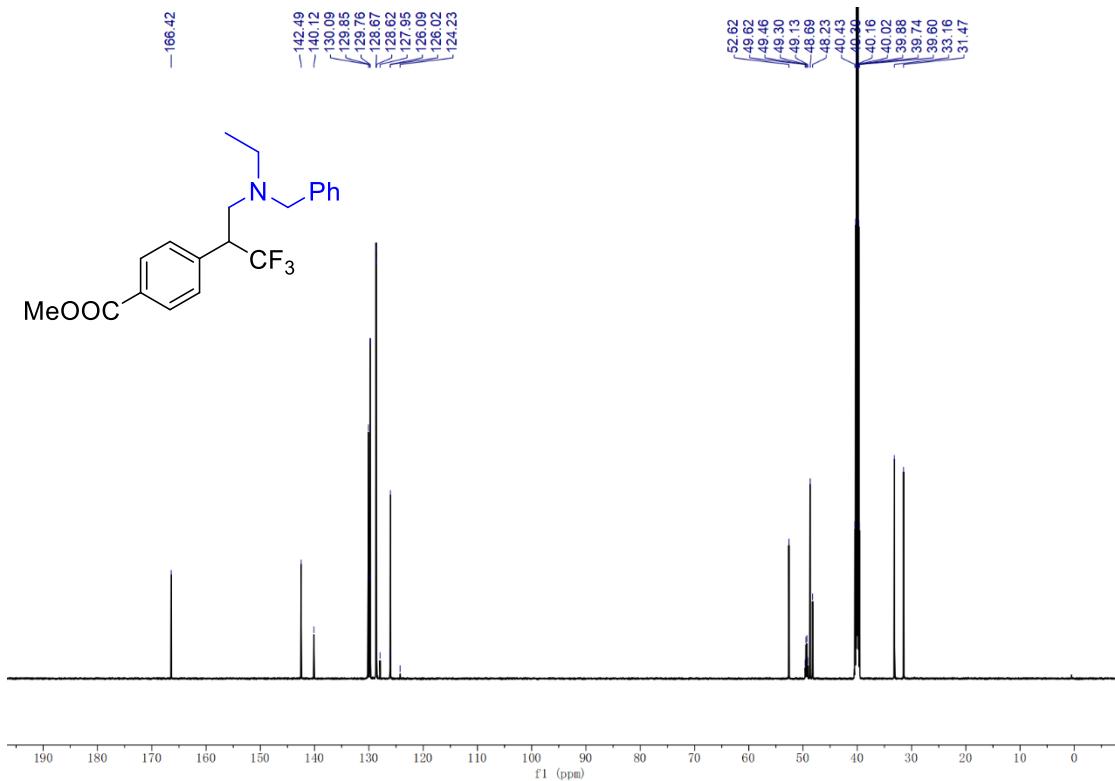
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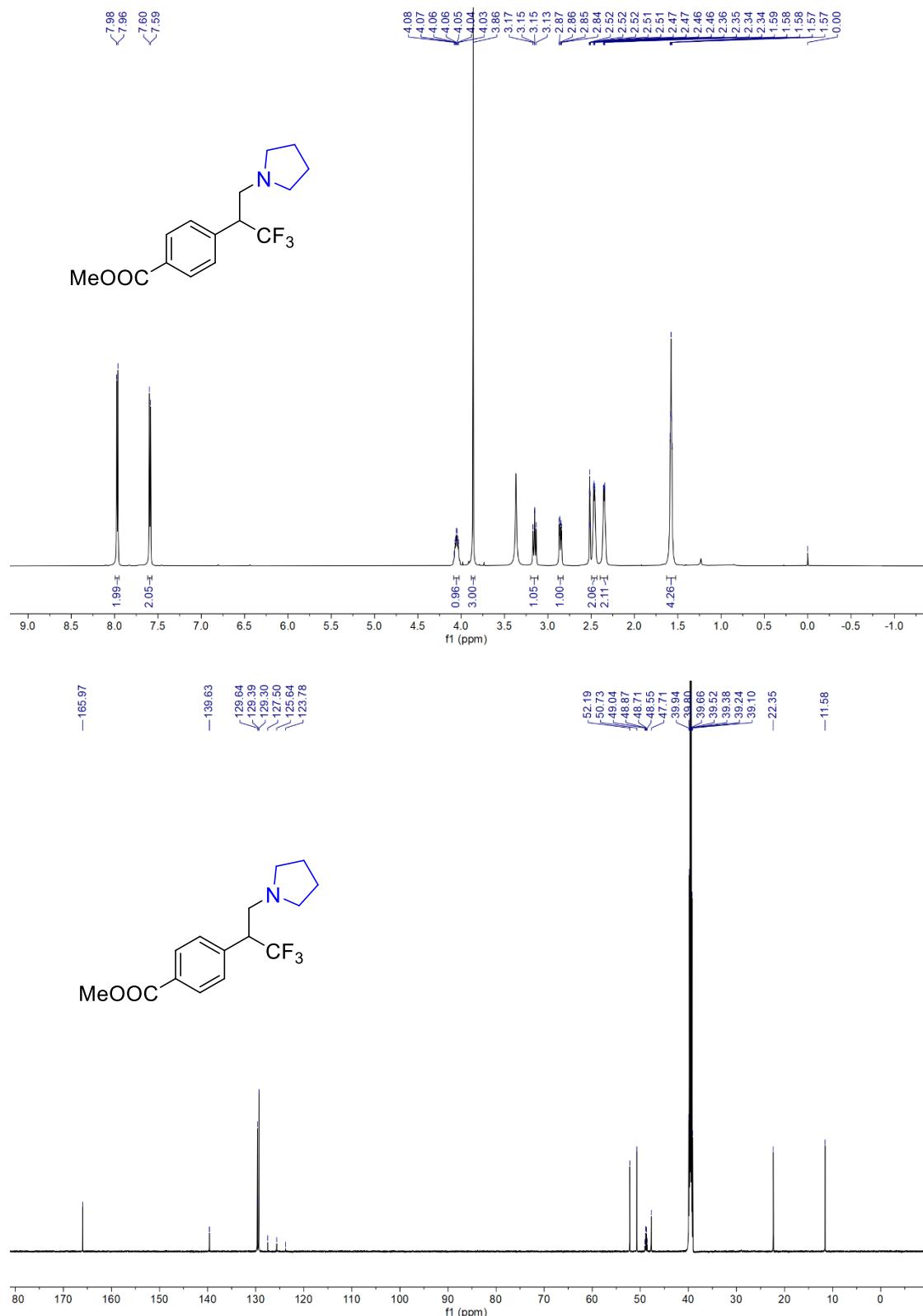


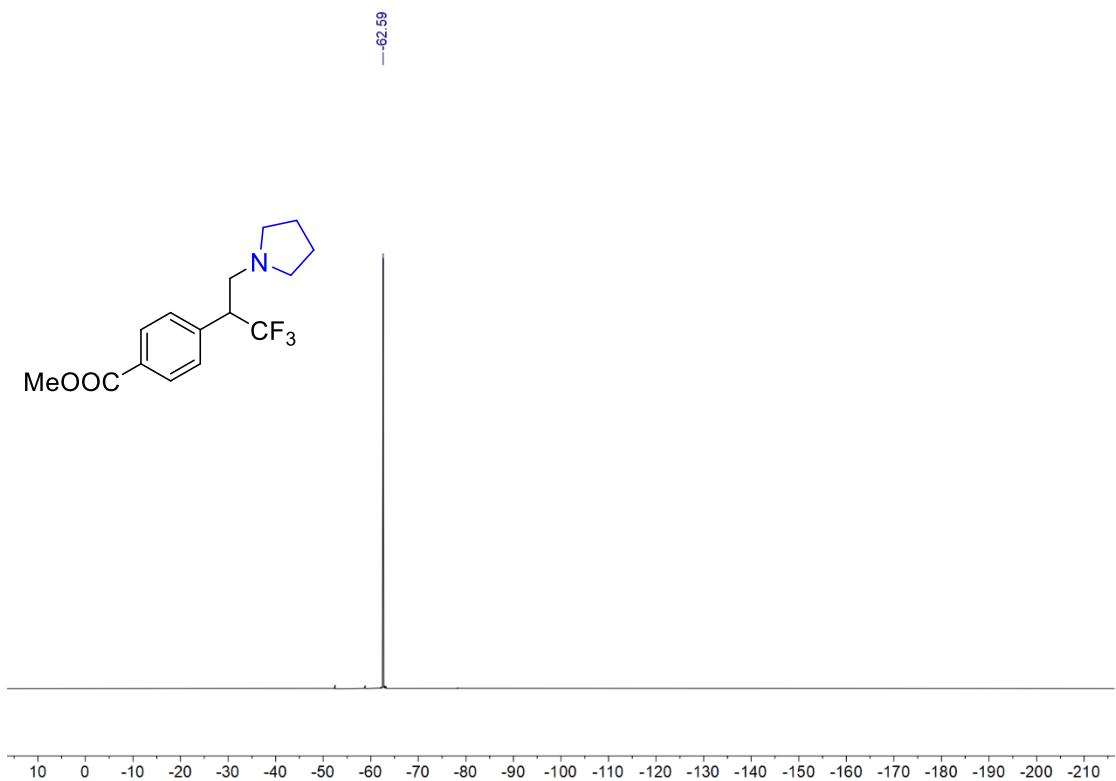
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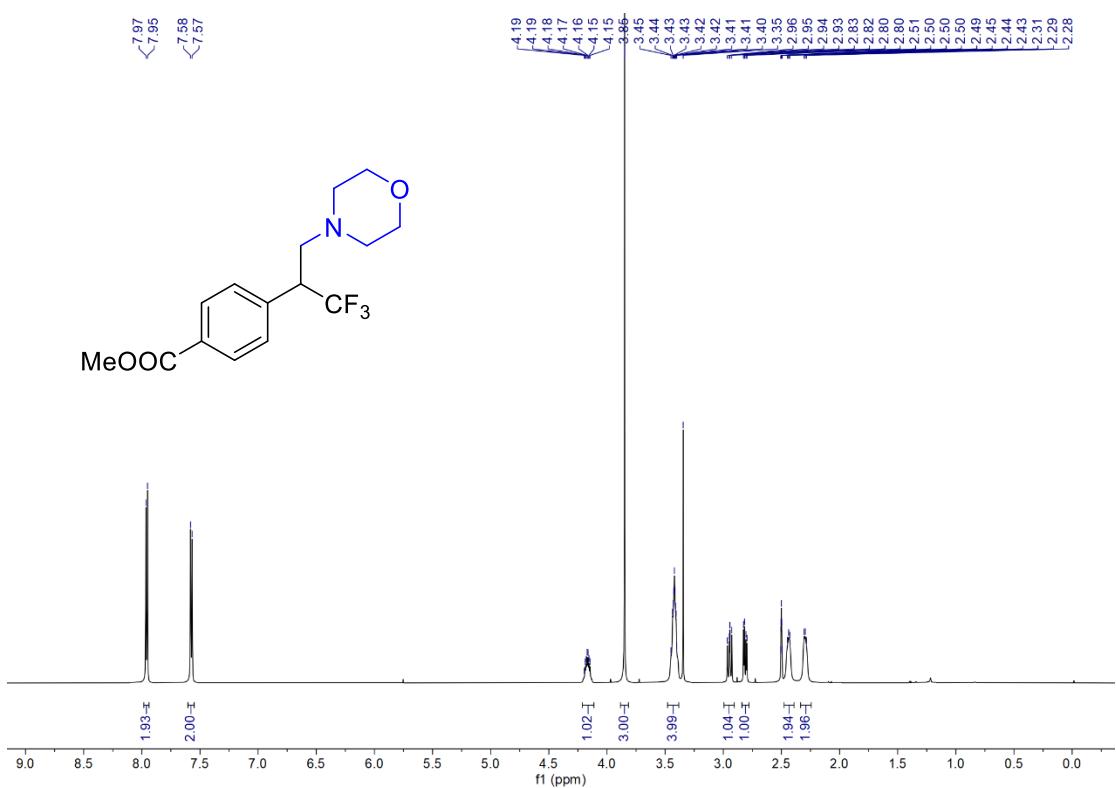


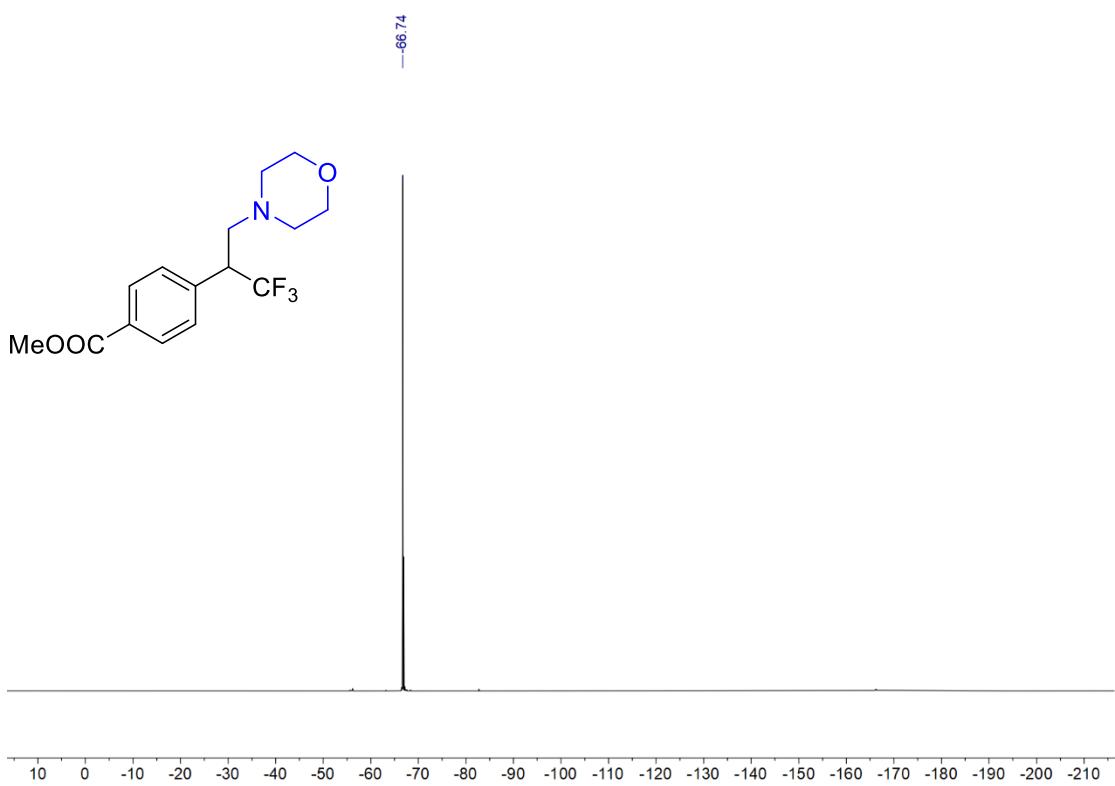
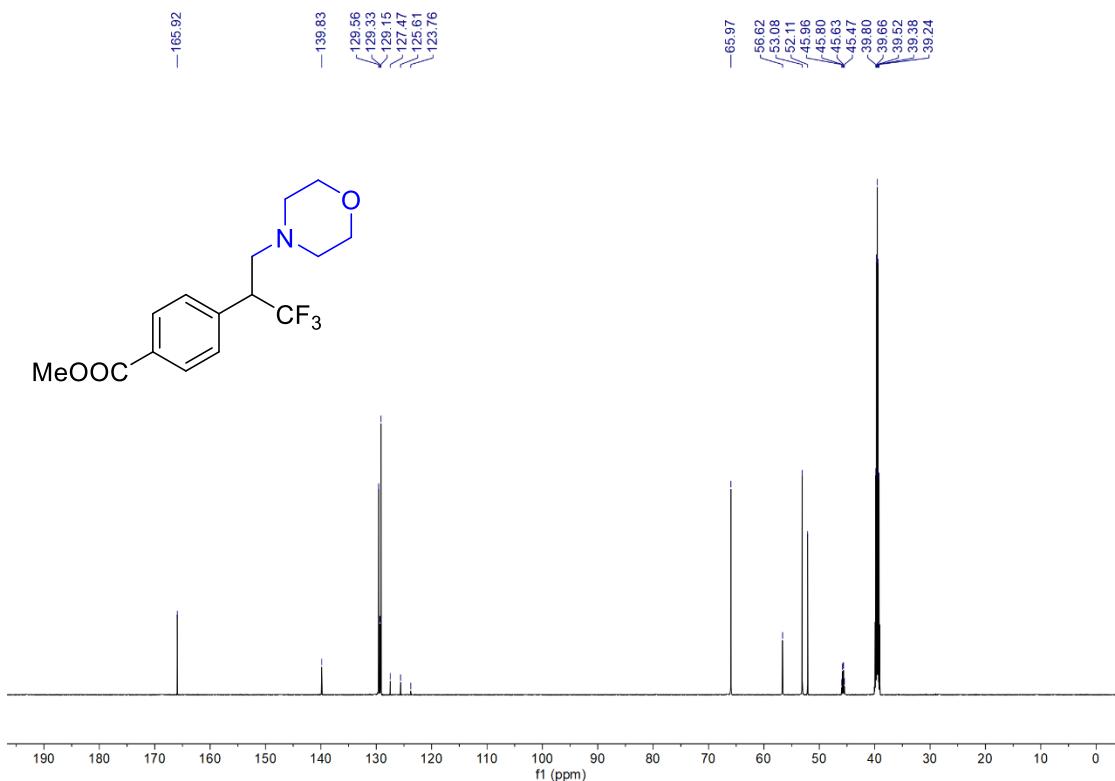
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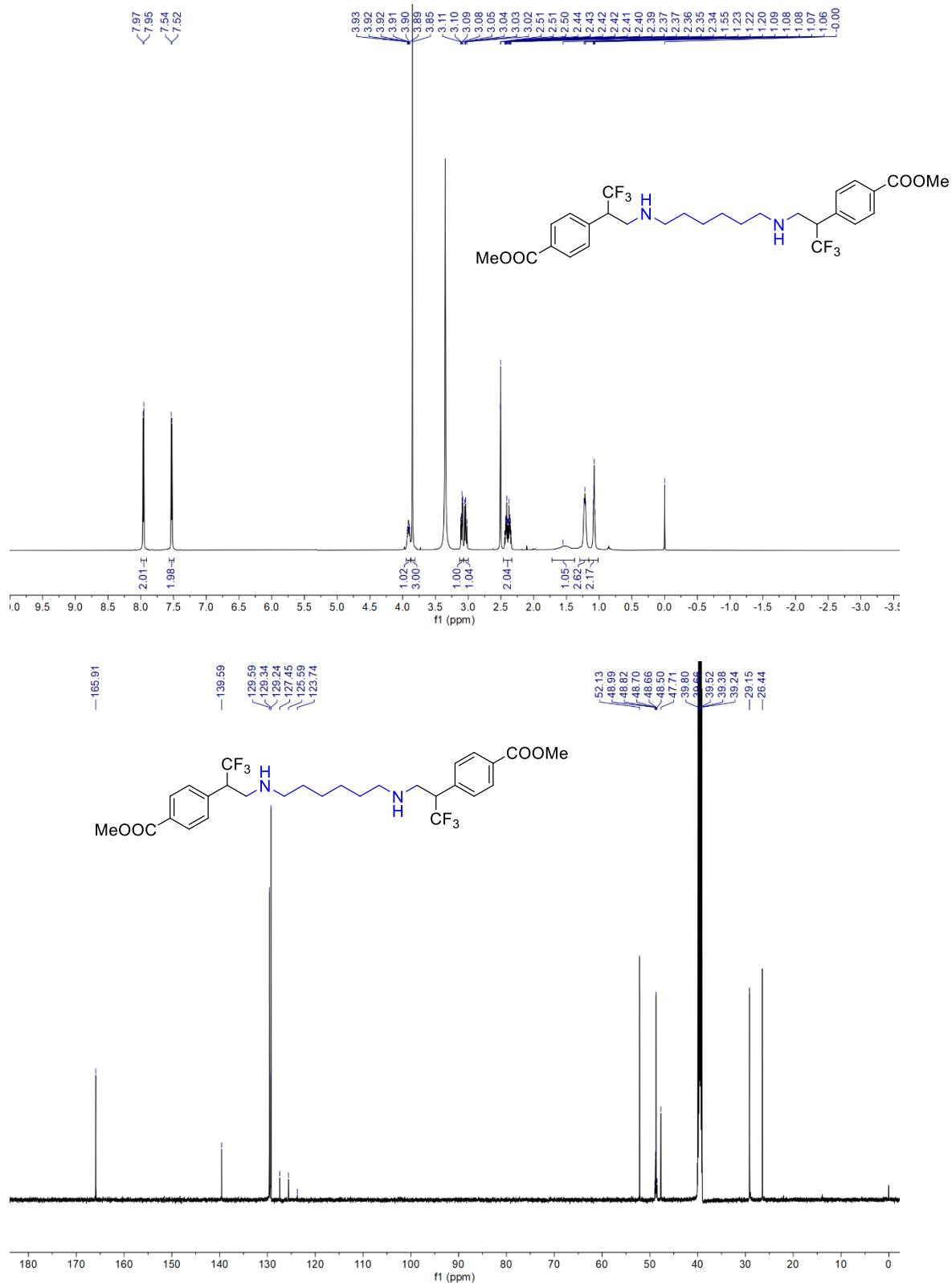


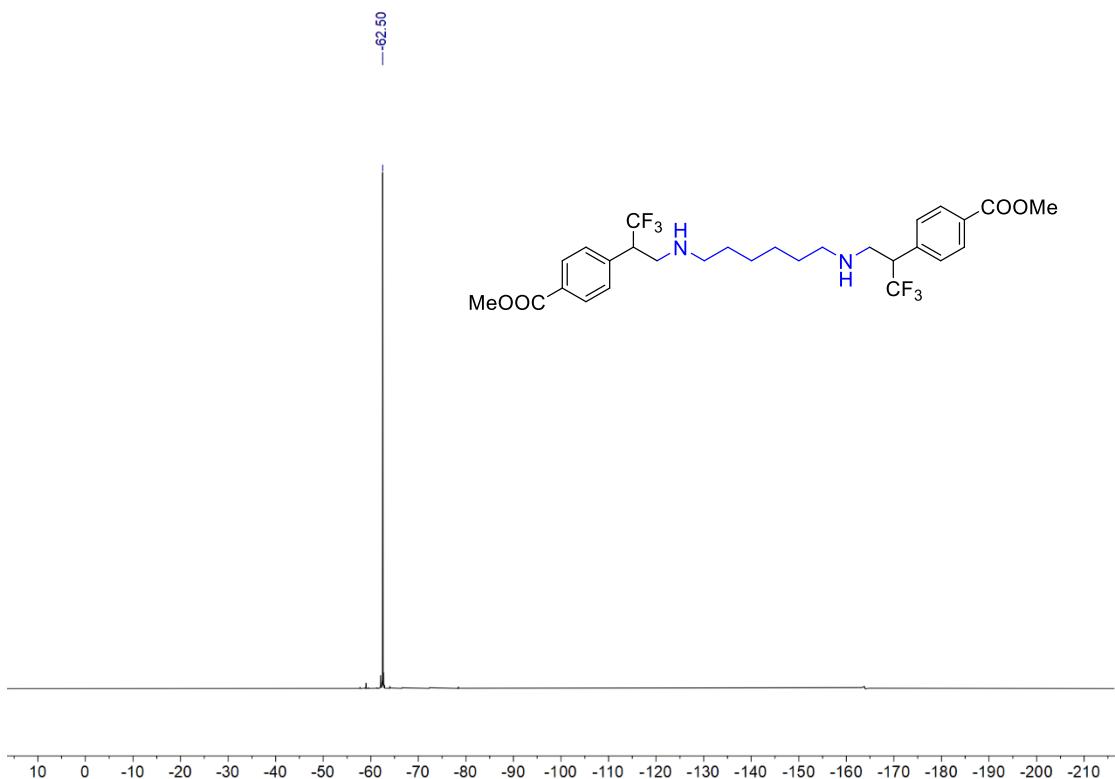
methyl 4-(1,1,1-trifluoro-3-morpholinopropan-2-yl)benzoate (**5t**)



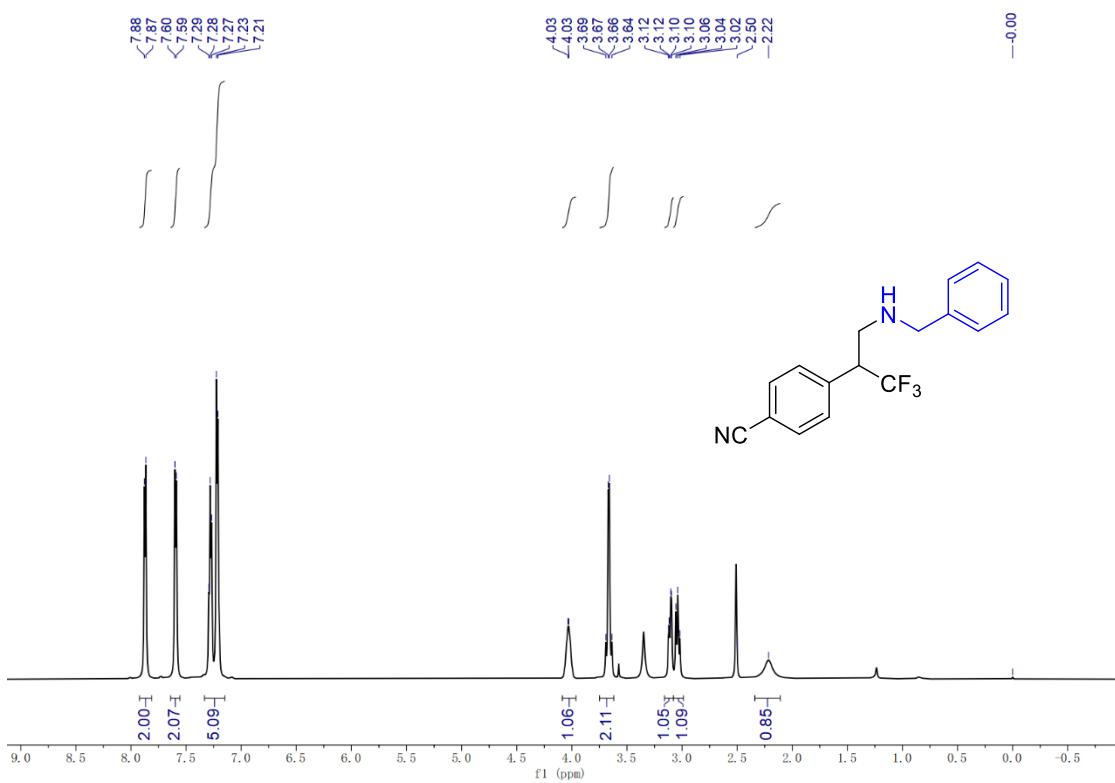


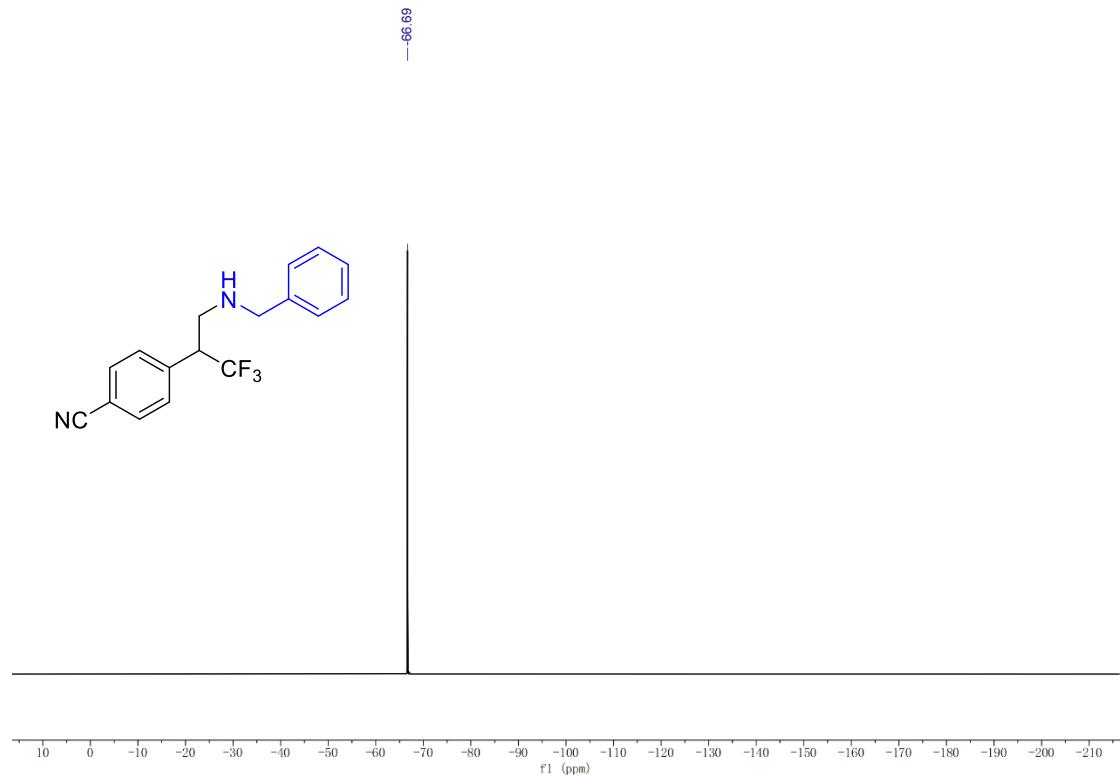
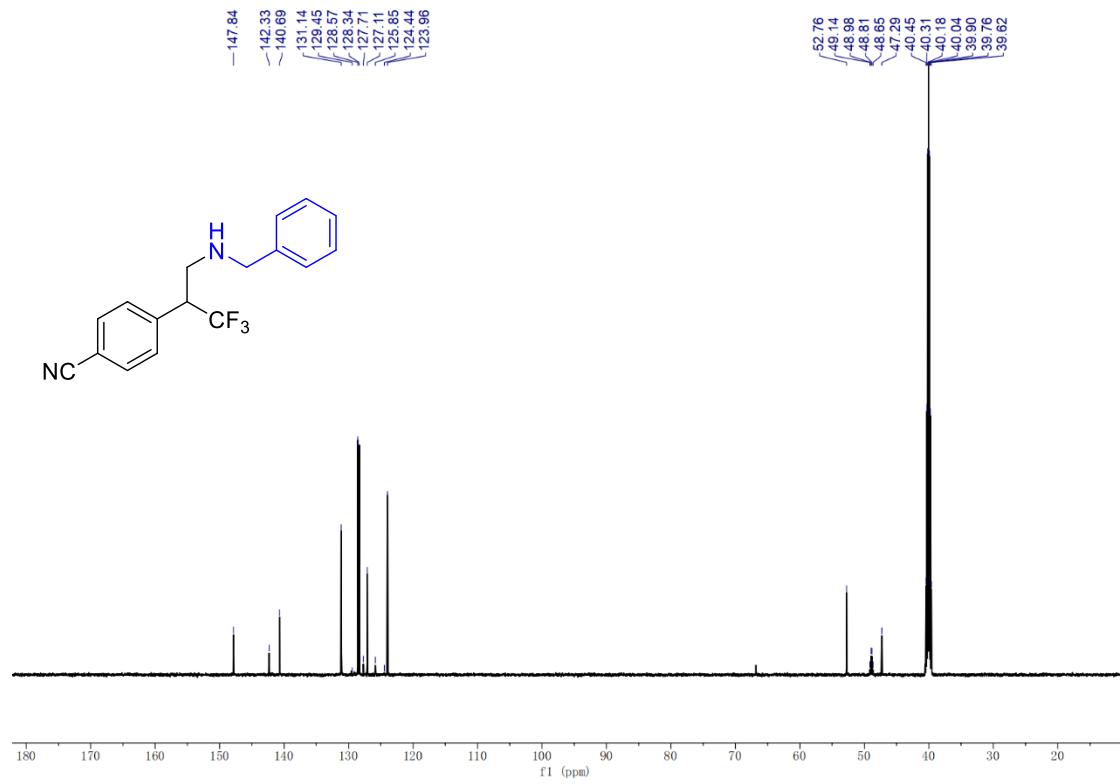
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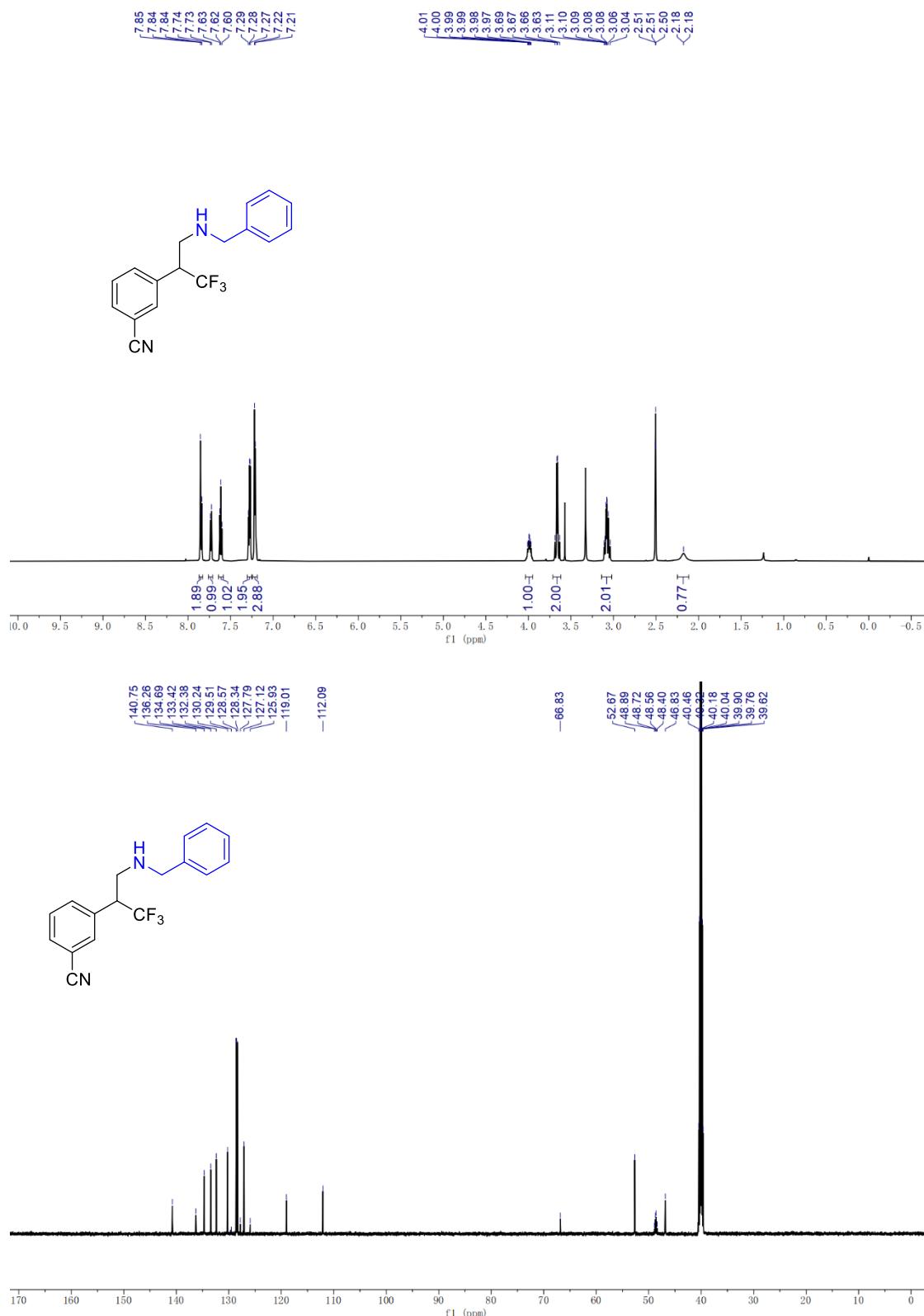


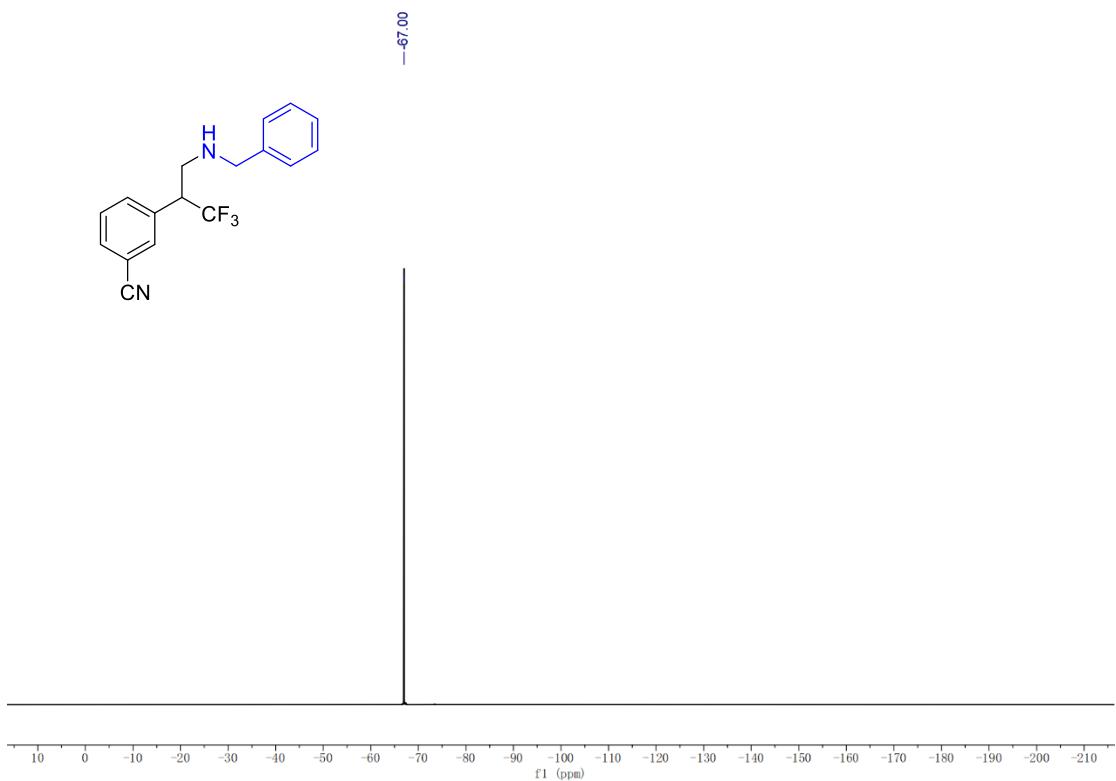
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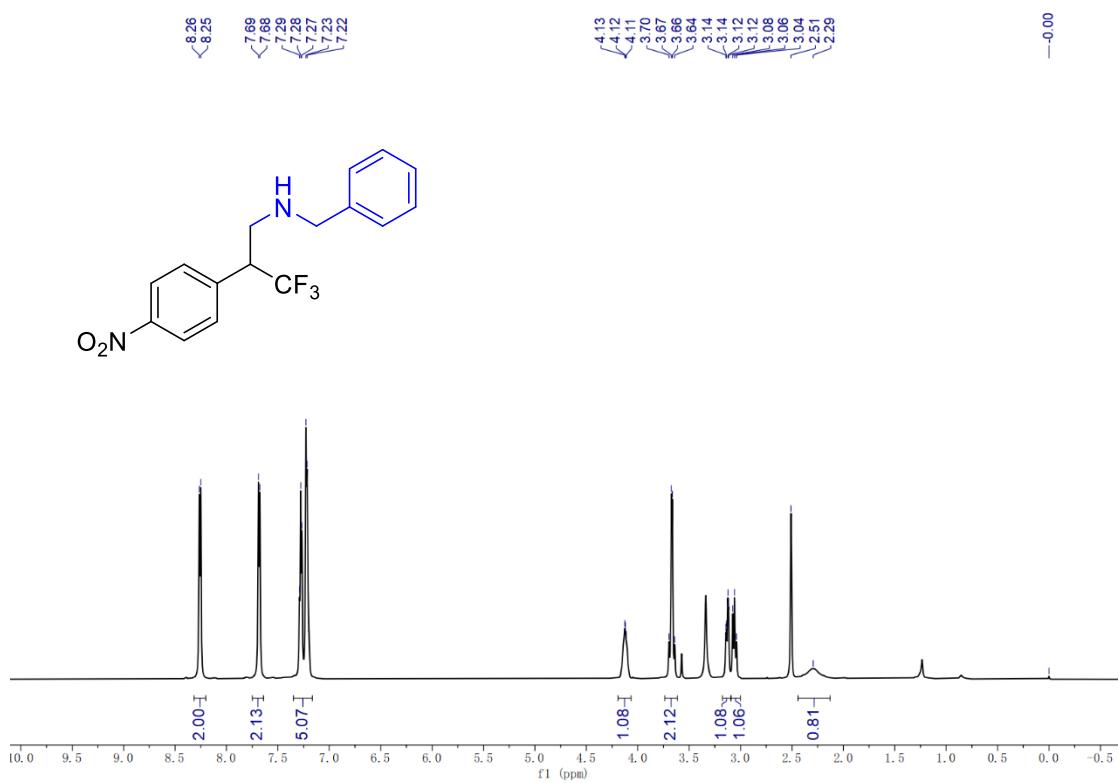


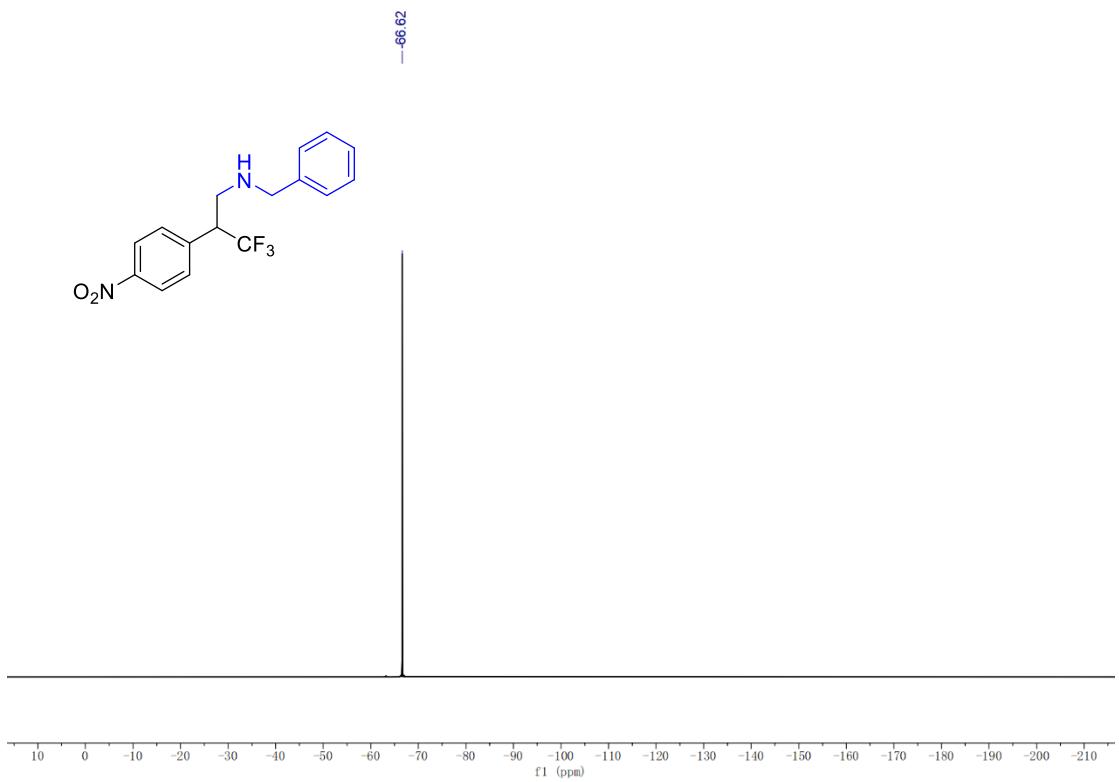
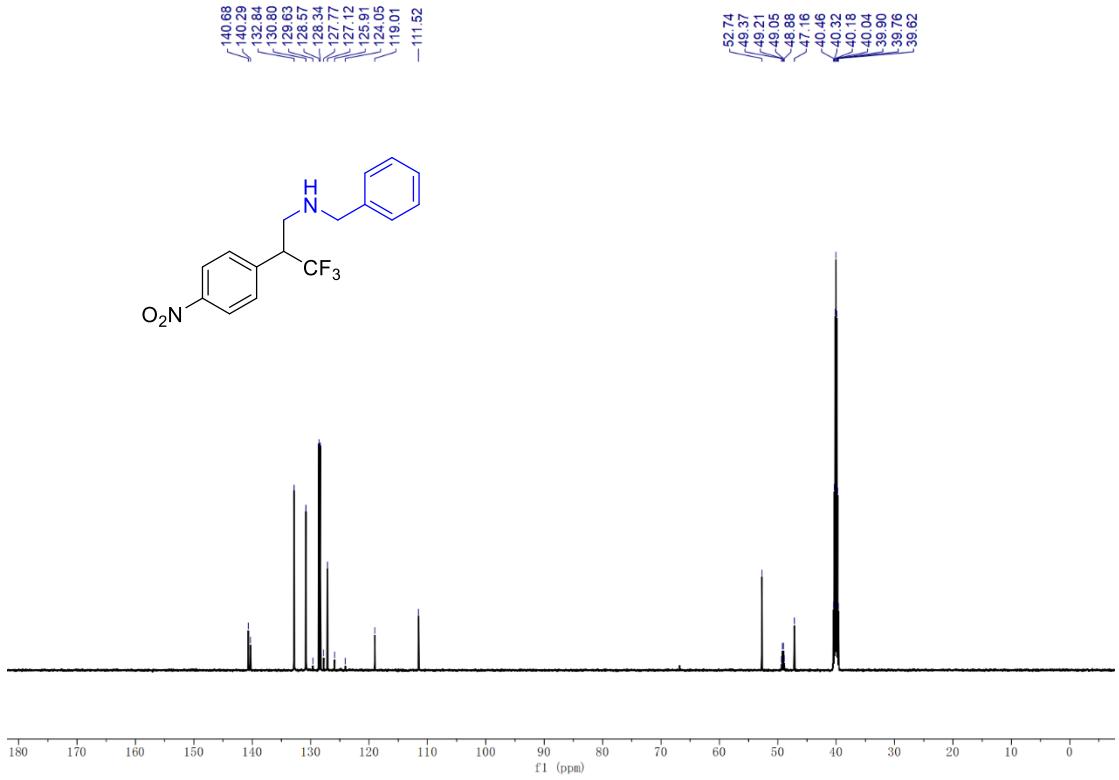
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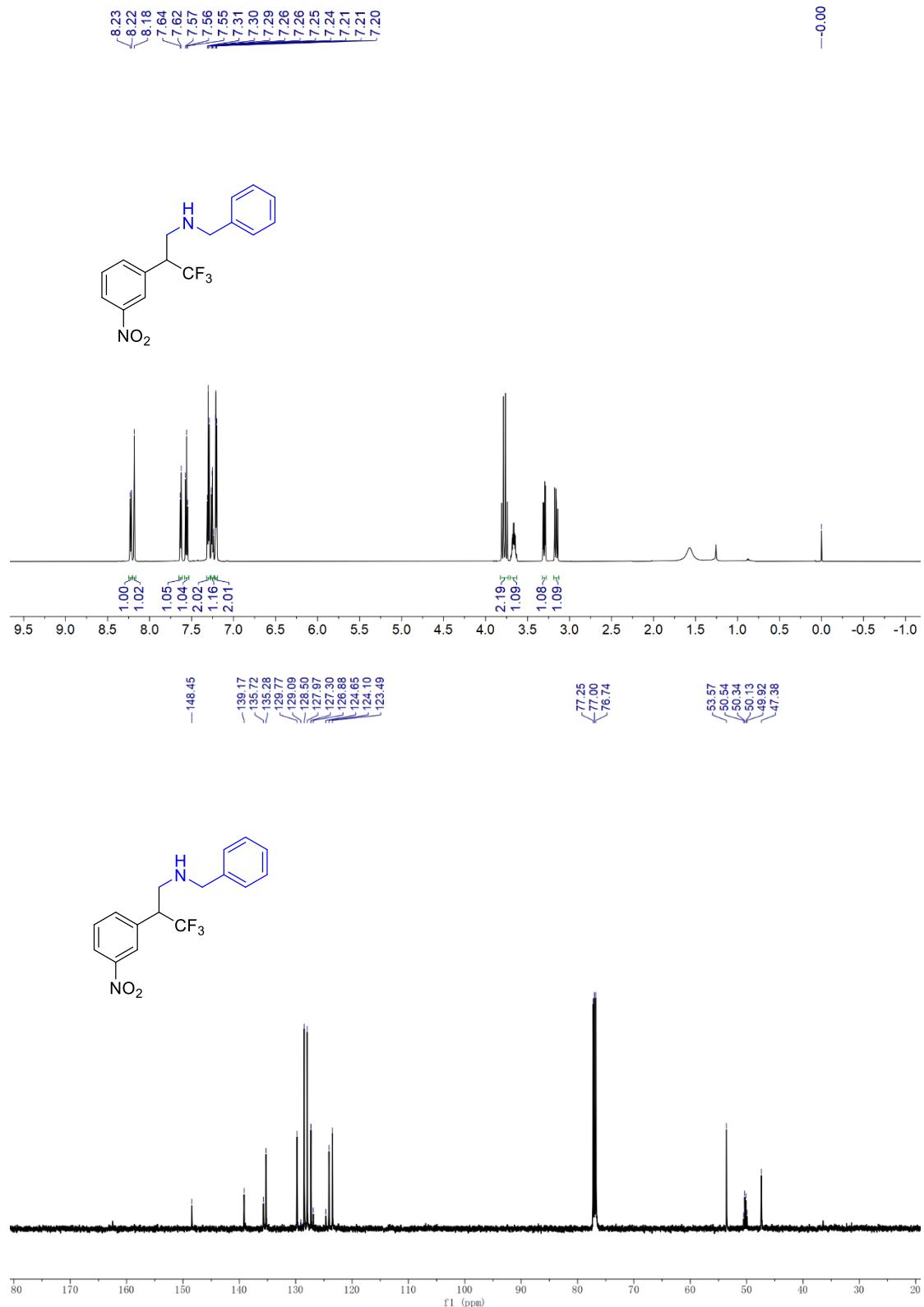


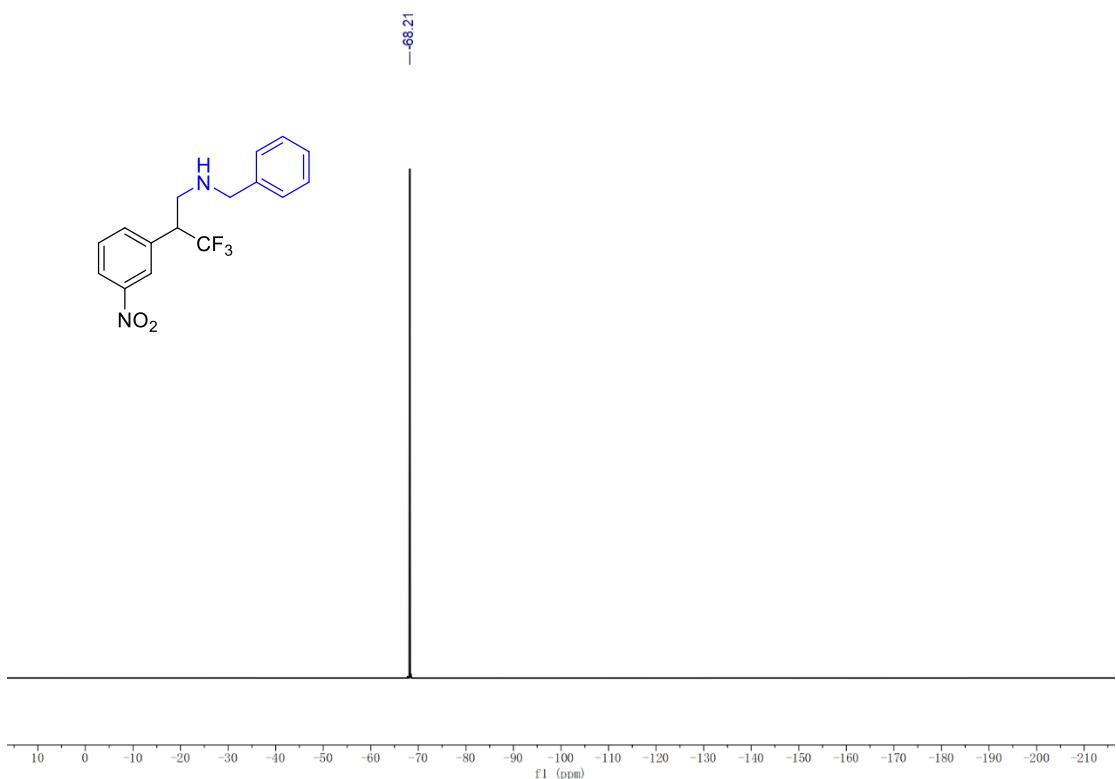
N-benzyl-3,3,3-trifluoro-2-(4-nitrophenyl)propan-1-amine (**6c**)



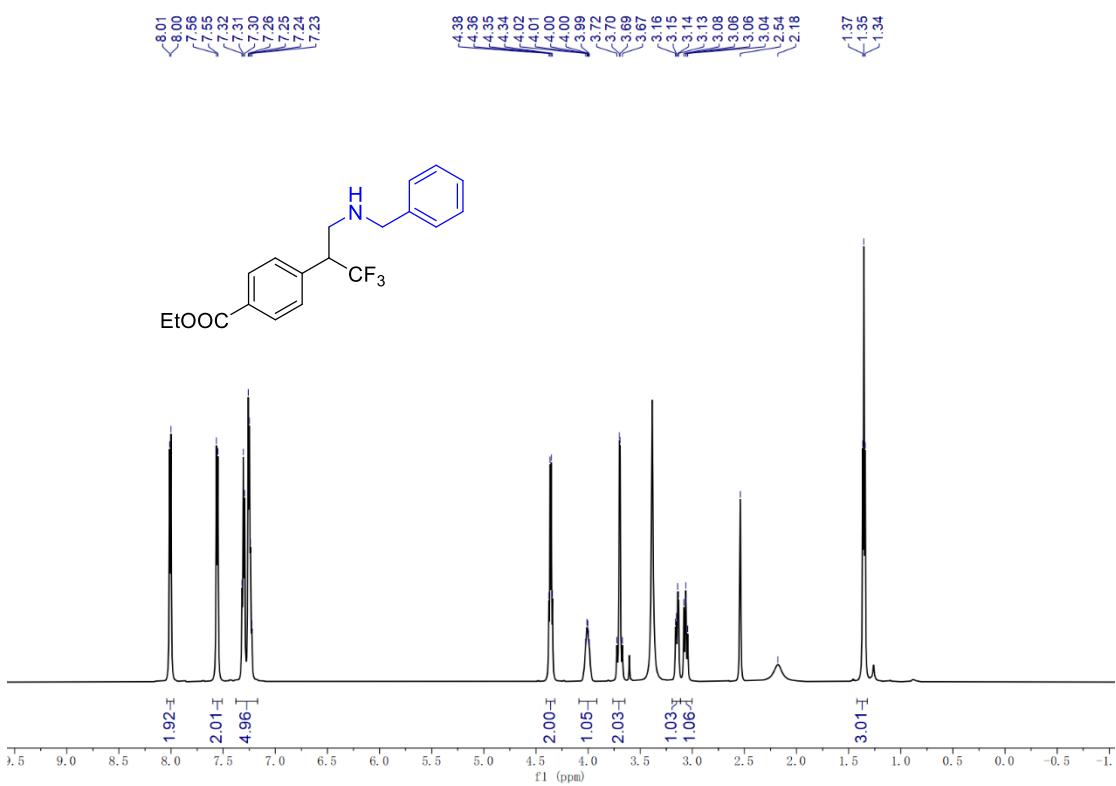


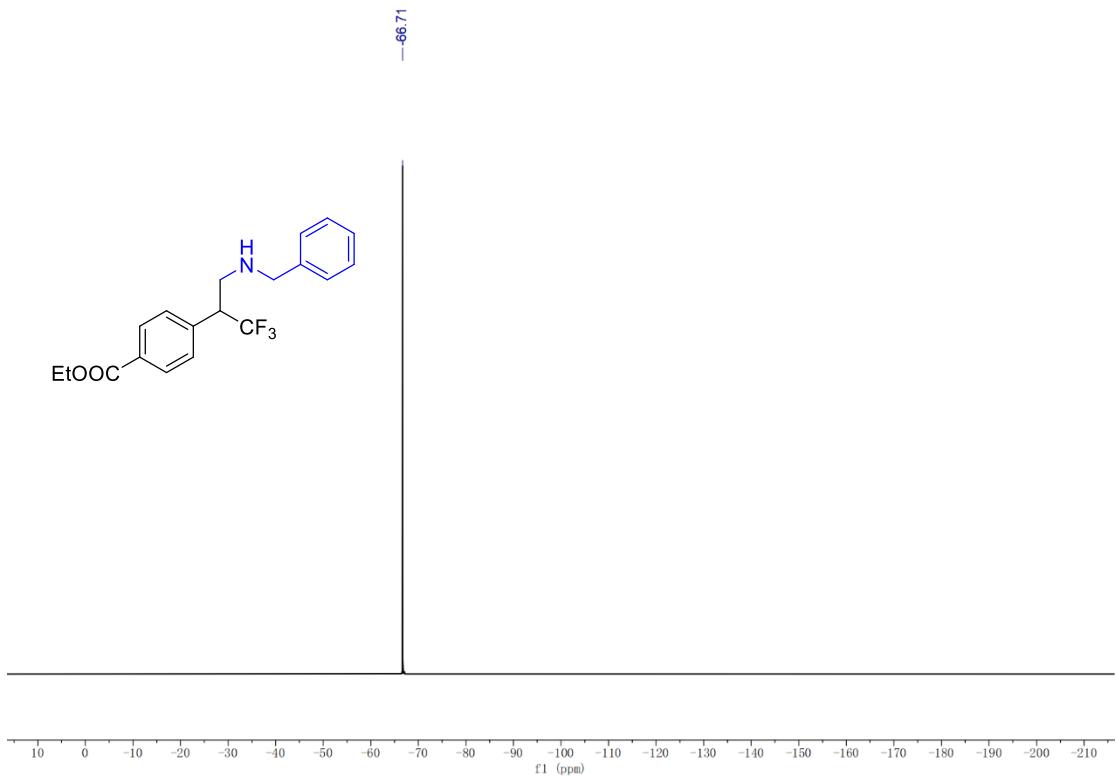
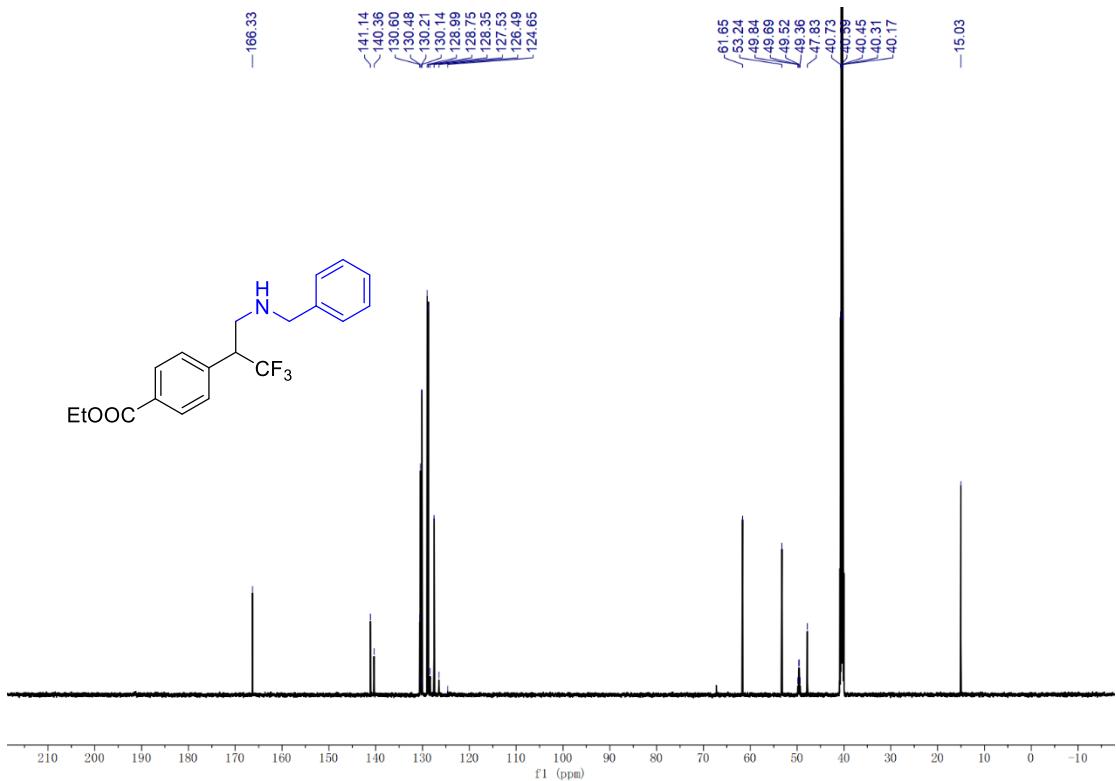
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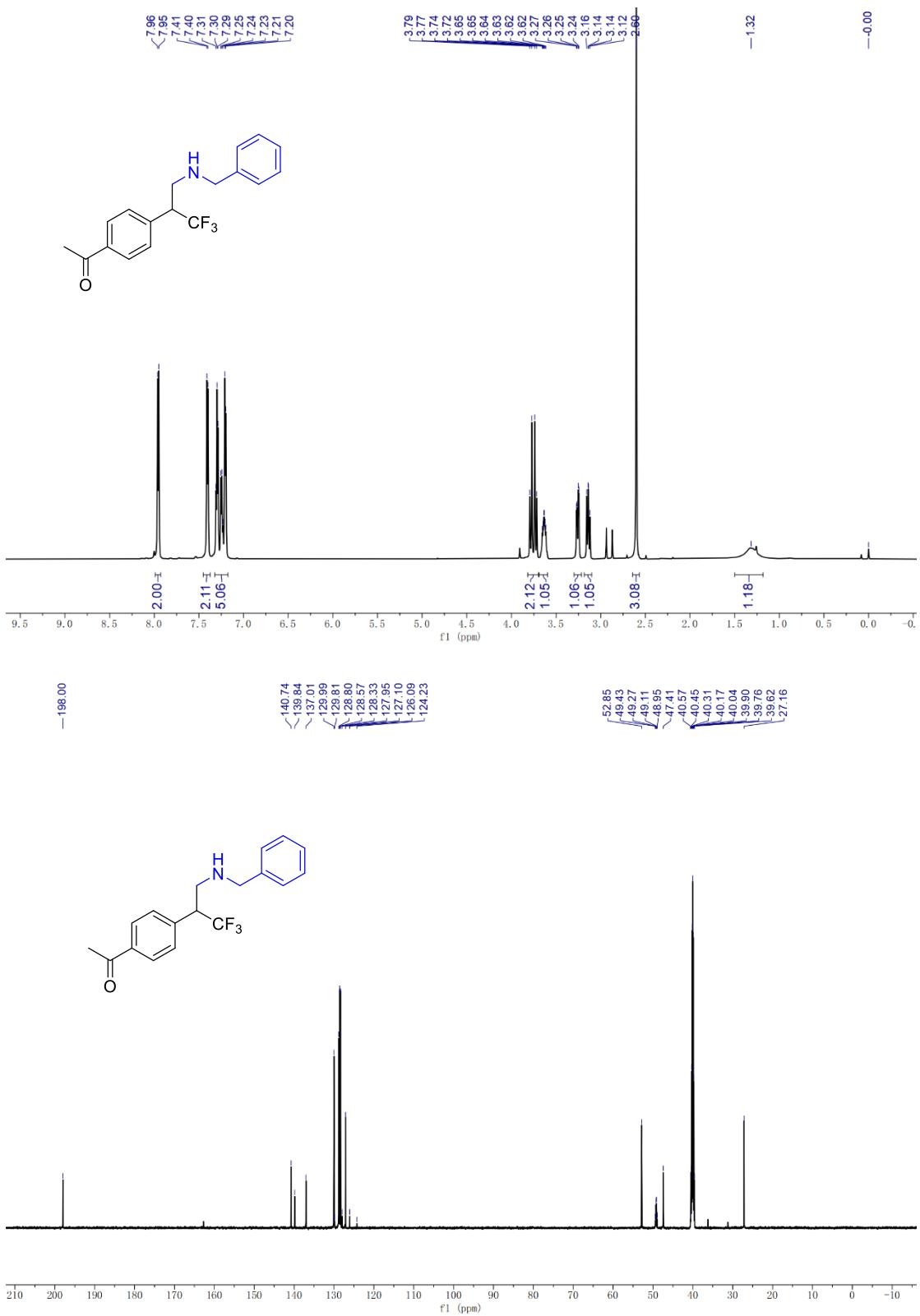


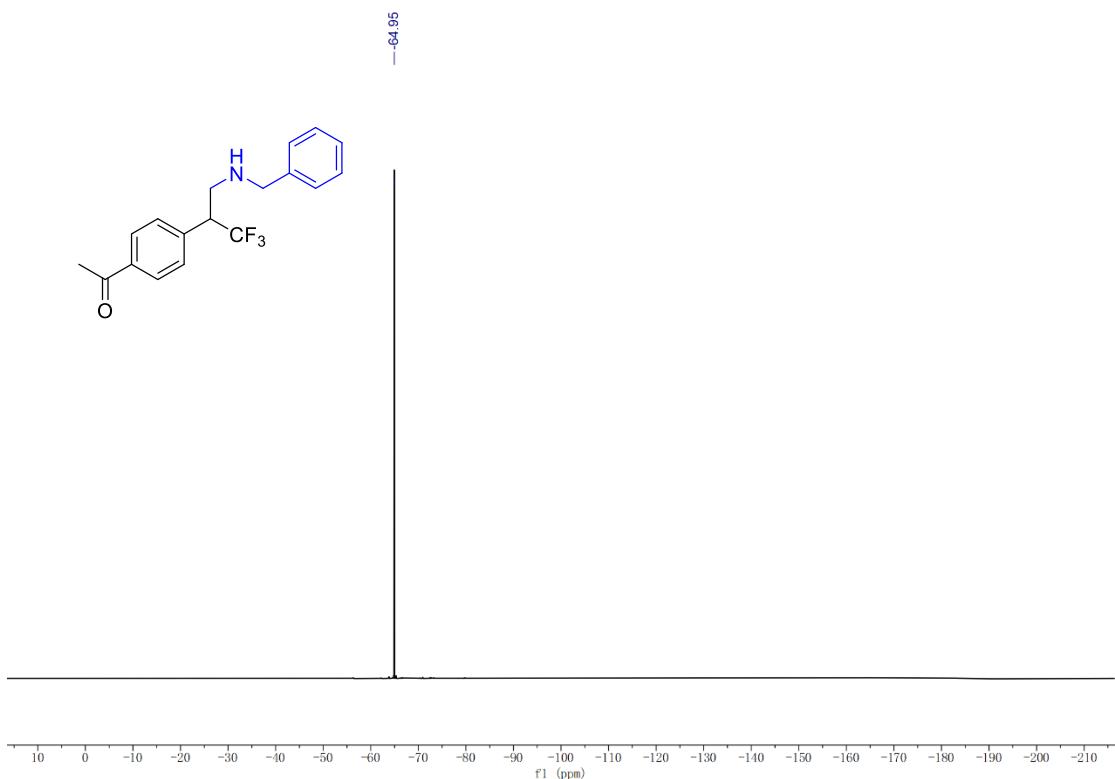
ethyl 4-(3-(benzylamino)-1,1,1-trifluoropropan-2-yl)benzoate (**6e**)





1-(4-(3-(benzylamino)-1,1,1-trifluoropropan-2-yl)phenyl)ethan-1-one (**6f**)





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