

# Facile and practical access to chiral benzofused oxa-heterocycles via asymmetric hydrogenation and intramolecular S<sub>N</sub>Ar cascade

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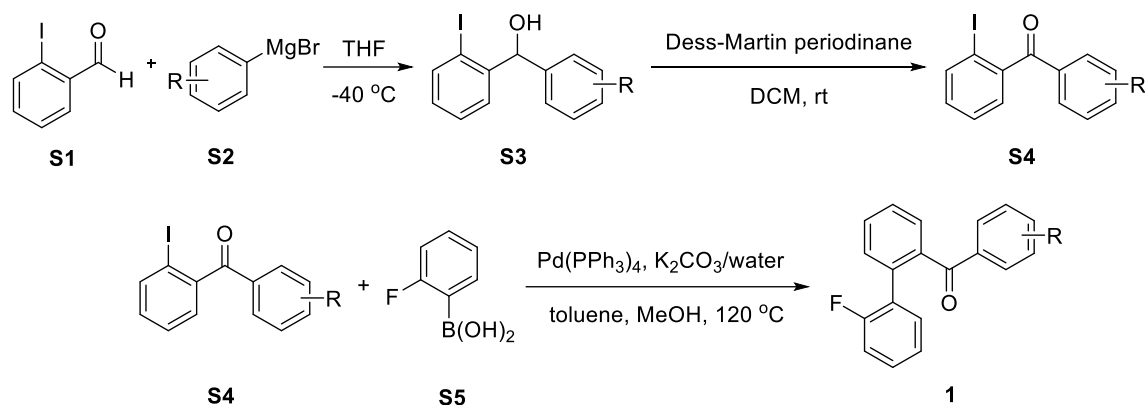
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## 1. General Information

Unless otherwise mentioned, all experiments were carried out under an atmosphere of argon or using standard Schlenk techniques. Solvents and reagents were purchased from commercial suppliers and used without further purification. Column Chromatography was performed with silica gel Merck 60 (300-400 mesh). NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker DPX 400 spectrometer at 400 MHz for  $^1\text{H}$  NMR, 101 MHz for  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR and a Bruker DPX 600 spectrometer at 600 MHz for  $^1\text{H}$  NMR, 151 MHz for  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR.  $\text{CDCl}_3$  and  $d^6$ -DMSO was the solvent used for the NMR analysis, with tetramethylsilane (TMS) as the internal standard. Chemical shifts are reported in ppm and coupling constants are given in Hz. Chemical shifts were reported relative to TMS (0.00 ppm) for  $^1\text{H}$  NMR and relative to  $\text{CDCl}_3$  (77.0 ppm) for  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR. HPLC analysis was carried out on Agilent 1260 Series instrument using a chiral stationary phase. PE refers to petroleum ether, and EA refers to ethyl acetate.

## 2. General Experimental Details

### 2.1 General Procedure for the Synthesis of Substrate



**Scheme S1.** Synthetic route of compound 1.

#### **Procedure A: Preparation of ketones 1.**<sup>1,2</sup>

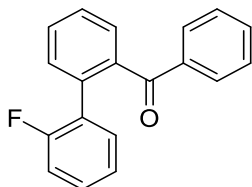
*Step 1:* To a solution of 2-Iodobenzaldehyde **S1** (2.32 g, 10 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in THF (20 mL) was added 1 M PhMgBr **S2** (15 mL, 15 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) at -40 °C. The mixture was stirred at -40 °C for 3 h until the start materials was consumed completely. The mixture was quenched by 1M HCl (10 mL) at 0 °C, extracted by EtOAc (30 mL\*2), the combined organic layer was washed by brine, dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated under vacuum. The crude product was purified by chromatography (PE:EA from 30:1 to 5:1). (2-iodophenyl)(phenyl)methanol **S3** was obtained. (90% ~ 99%).

*Step 2:* To a solution of (2-iodophenyl)(phenyl)methanol **S3** (10 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in DCM (25 mL) was added Dess-Martin periodinane (5g, 12 mmol, 1.2 equiv.) at 0 °C. The mixture was stirred at rt for 2 h until the start materials was consumed completely. The mixture was quenched by saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (5ml), filtered and extracted by DCM (20 mL\*2), the combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated under vacuum. The crude product was purified by chromatography (PE:EA

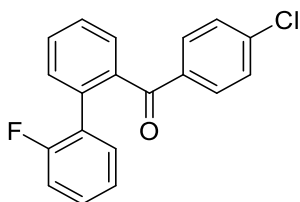
from 30:1 to 5:1). (2-iodophenyl)(phenyl)methanone **S4** was obtained with an equivalent yield.

*Step 3:* To a solution of (2-iodophenyl)(phenyl)methanone **S4** (5 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), 2-Fluorophenylboronic acid **S5** (0.84 g, 6 mmol, 1.2 equiv.) and Pd(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub> (0.29 g, 5% mmol.) in toluene (80 mL) and MeOH (6.4 mL). The degassed K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> aqueous (10ml, 1.38g/5ml water) was added. The mixture was stirred at 120 °C for 5 h until the start materials was consumed completely. The mixture was extracted by EtOAc (40 mL\*2), the combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated under vacuum. Compound **1** was obtained with medium to high yield (75% ~ 96%).

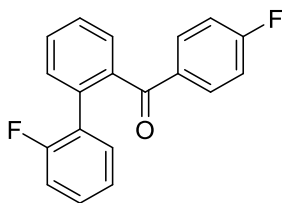
## 2.2 Characterization Data of Substrates



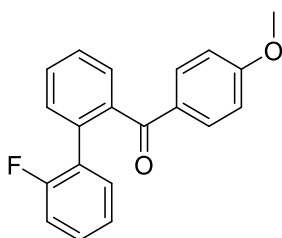
**(2'-Fluoro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yl)(phenyl)methanone (1a)**<sup>3</sup>: Colourless oil, 1.35 g, 90% yield. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.70 (d, 2H), 7.61 – 7.52 (m, 2H), 7.50 – 7.40 (m, 3H), 7.35 – 7.21 (m, 3H), 7.19 – 7.11 (m, 1H), 7.08 – 7.01 (m, 1H), 6.92 – 6.84 (m, 1H). **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  197.5, 159.0 (d,  $J = 247.4$  Hz), 139.1, 137.2, 135.2, 132.7, 131.4 (d,  $J = 3.0$  Hz), 131.1, 131.0, 130.5, 129.9, 129.4 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz), 129.1, 128.0, 127.8, 127.5, 124.0 (d,  $J = 3.0$  Hz), 115.4, 115.2. **<sup>19</sup>F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  -115.8. **HRMS** (ESI-TOF)  $m/z$ :  $[M+H]^+$  Calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>14</sub>FO<sup>+</sup> = 277.1023; Found 277.1023.



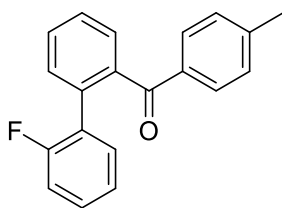
**(4-Chlorophenyl)(2'-fluoro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yl)methanone (1b)**<sup>1</sup>: White solid, 0.57 g, 77% yield. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.68 – 7.56 (m, 3H), 7.56 – 7.44 (m, 3H), 7.34 – 7.24 (m, 3H), 7.23 – 7.15 (m, 1H), 7.11 – 7.02 (t, 1H), 6.95 – 6.86 (t, 1H). **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  196.3, 158.9 (d,  $J = 242.4$  Hz), 139.1, 138.6, 135.6, 135.1, 131.4 (d,  $J = 10.1$  Hz), 131.2, 131.1, 130.8, 129.6 (d,  $J = 10.0, 1.0$  Hz), 129.0, 128.4, 127.8, 127.6, 124.2 (d,  $J = 3.0$  Hz), 115.4 (d,  $J = 20.2$  Hz). **<sup>19</sup>F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  -115.9. **HRMS** (ESI-TOF)  $m/z$ :  $[M+H]^+$  Calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>13</sub>ClFO<sup>+</sup> = 311.0633; Found 311.0631.



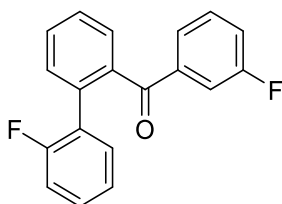
**(2'-Fluoro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yl)(4-fluorophenyl)methanone (1c)**<sup>1</sup>: White solid, 0.87 g, 95% yield. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.77 – 7.66 (m, 2H), 7.63 – 7.44 (m, 4H), 7.29 – 7.14 (m, 2H), 7.10 – 6.85 (m, 4H). **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  196.1, 165.5 (d,  $J = 252.5$  Hz), 159.0 (d,  $J = 242.4$  Hz), 138.9, 135.1, 133.7 (d,  $J = 3.0$  Hz), 132.5 (d,  $J = 9.1$  Hz), 131.4 (d,  $J = 3.0$  Hz), 131.1, 130.7, 129.6 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz), 129.0, 127.8 (d,  $J = 15.2$  Hz), 127.7, 124.2 (d,  $J = 4.0$  Hz), 115.6, 115.3, 115.1. **<sup>19</sup>F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  -105.5, -115.9. **HRMS** (ESI-TOF)  $m/z$ :  $[M+H]^+$  Calcd for  $C_{19}H_{13}F_2O^+$  = 295.0929; Found 295.0927.



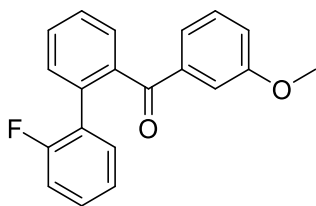
**(2'-Fluoro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yl)(4-methoxyphenyl)methanone (1d)**<sup>1</sup>: Black solid, 1.52 g, 99% yield. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.70 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H), 7.60 – 7.42 (m, 4H), 7.25 (t, 1H), 7.22 – 7.14 (m, 1H), 7.05 (t,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 1H), 6.92 (t, 1H), 6.81 (d,  $J = 8.8$  Hz, 2H), 3.81 (s, 3H). **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  196.2, 163.3, 159.0 (d,  $J = 246.4$  Hz), 139.5, 134.9, 132.3, 131.4 (d,  $J = 3.0$  Hz), 131.0, 130.1, 129.4 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz), 128.8, 127.9 (d,  $J = 15.2$  Hz), 127.4, 124.0 (d,  $J = 3.0$  Hz), 115.5, 115.3, 113.3, 55.4. **<sup>19</sup>F NMR** (565 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  -115.9. **HRMS** (ESI-TOF)  $m/z$ :  $[M+H]^+$  Calcd for  $C_{20}H_{16}FO_2^+$  = 307.1129; Found 307.1128.



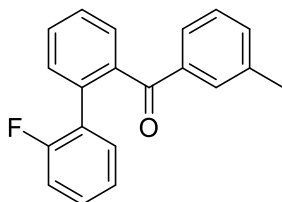
**(2'-Fluoro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yl)(p-tolyl)methanone (1e)**<sup>1</sup>: White solid, 1.22 g, 84% yield. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.66 – 7.50 (m, 4H), 7.44 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.29 – 7.22 (m, 1H), 7.22 – 7.10 (m, 3H), 7.06 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 6.91 (t, 1H), 2.35 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 197.2, 159.0 (d, *J* = 252.5 Hz), 143.6, 139.4, 135.1, 134.7, 131.4 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz), 131.1, 130.3, 130.1, 129.4 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz), 129.0, 128.8, 127.9 (d, *J* = 15.3 Hz), 127.4, 124.0 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz), 115.4 (d, *J* = 22.2 Hz), 21.6. <sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ -115.9. HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: [M+H]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>16</sub>FO<sup>+</sup> = 291.1180; Found 291.1178.



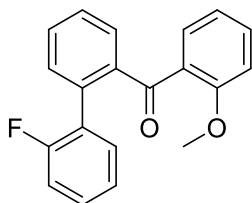
**(2'-Fluoro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yl)(3-fluorophenyl)methanone (1f)**<sup>1</sup>: White solid, 0.52 g, 85% yield. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.64 – 7.53 (m, 2H), 7.52 – 7.36 (m, 4H), 7.32 – 7.04 (m, 5H), 6.95 – 6.85 (m, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 196.2, 162.3 (d, *J* = 252.5 Hz), 158.9 (d, *J* = 246.4 Hz), 139.4 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz), 138.5, 135.2, 131.3 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz), 131.1, 130.9, 129.7 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz), 129.6 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz), 129.1, 127.7 (d, *J* = 15.2 Hz), 127.6, 125.7 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz), 124.2 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz), 119.7 (d, *J* = 21.2 Hz), 116.3 (d, *J* = 23.2 Hz), 115.4 (d, *J* = 22.2 Hz). <sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ -112.5, -115.8. HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: [M+H]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>13</sub>F<sub>2</sub>O<sup>+</sup> = 295.0929; Found 295.0929.



**(2'-Fluoro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yl)(3-methoxyphenyl)methanone (1g)**<sup>1</sup>: White solid, 2.13 g, 81% yield. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.60 – 7.53 (m, 2H), 7.46 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 7.28 – 7.15 (m, 5H), 7.08 – 7.03 (m, 1H), 7.02 – 6.98 (m, 1H), 6.91 (t, 1H), 3.77 (s, 3H). **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  197.3, 159.0 (d, *J* = 246.1 Hz), 159.3, 139.1, 138.6, 135.2, 131.4 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz), 131.1, 130.5, 129.4 (d, *J* = 9.1 Hz), 129.1, 129.0, 127.9 (d, *J* = 15.1 Hz), 127.4, 124.0 (d, *J* = 4.5 Hz), 123.0, 119.6, 115.4 (d, *J* = 22.6 Hz), 113.5, 55.3. **<sup>19</sup>F NMR** (565 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  -115.8. **HRMS** (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: [M+H]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>16</sub>FO<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> = 307.1129; Found 307.1126.

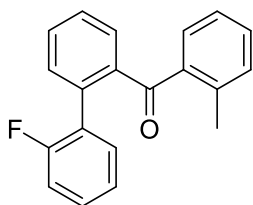


**(2'-Fluoro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yl)(m-tolyl)methanone (1h)**<sup>1</sup>: Yellow oil, 1.1 g, 95% yield. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.60 – 7.43 (m, 6H), 7.27 – 7.12 (m, 4H), 7.07 – 7.01 (m, 1H), 6.92 – 6.85 (m, 1H), 2.30 (s, 3H). **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  197.7, 159.0 (d, *J* = 246.4 Hz), 139.2, 137.7, 137.2, 135.2, 133.5, 131.4 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz), 131.0, 130.4, 129.4 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz), 129.2, 128.1, 127.9, 127.5, 127.2, 124.0 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz), 115.4, 115.2, 21.1. **<sup>19</sup>F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  -115.6. **HRMS** (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: [M+H]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>16</sub>FO<sup>+</sup> = 291.1180; Found 291.1178.

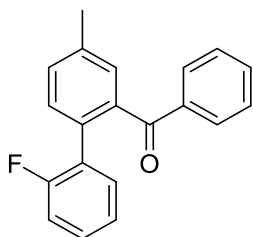




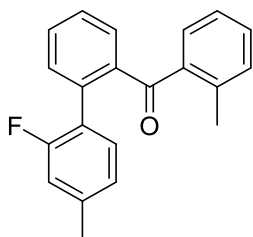
**(2'-Fluoro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yl)(2-methoxyphenyl)methanone (1i)**<sup>1</sup>: Yellow liquid, 1.54 g, 95% yield. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.62 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.54 – 7.48 (m, 1H), 7.44 – 7.33 (m, 3H), 7.28 – 7.23 (m, 1H), 7.20 – 7.07 (m, 2H), 7.02 – 6.95 (m, 1H), 6.86 – 6.77 (m, 2H), 6.68 (d, *J* = 8.4, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 3.57 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 196.9, 159.0 (d, *J* = 247.4 Hz), 158.0, 140.6, 135.0, 132.9, 131.4 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz), 130.9, 130.7, 130.5, 129.2, 129.0 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz), 128.3, 128.2 (d, *J* = 16.2 Hz), 127.5, 123.5 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz), 119.9, 115.0 (d, *J* = 21.2 Hz), 111.0, 55.3. <sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ -115.9. HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: [M+H]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>16</sub>FO<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> = 307.1129; Found 307.1127.



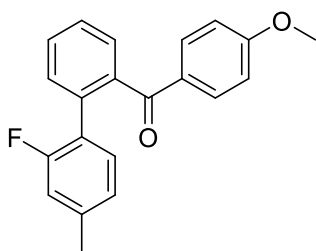
**(2'-Fluoro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yl)(*o*-tolyl)methanone (1j)**<sup>1</sup>: White solid, 0.63 g, 75% yield. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.56 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.44 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.28 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.24 – 7.19 (m, 2H), 7.18 – 7.13 (m, 1H), 7.10 – 7.03 (m, 3H), 6.87 (t, 1H), 2.38 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 199.3, 158.9 (d, *J* = 246.4 Hz), 140.1, 138.7, 137.7, 135.6, 131.1, 131.0, 131.0, 131.0, 130.7, 129.9, 129.3 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz), 128.4, 128.2, 127.7, 124.9, 123.9 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz), 115.2 (d, *J* = 22.2 Hz), 20.4. <sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ -115.6. HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: [M+H]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>16</sub>FO<sup>+</sup> = 291.1180; Found 291.1177.



**(2'-Fluoro-4-methyl-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yl)(phenyl)methanone (1k)**<sup>1</sup>: White solid, 0.63 g, 95% yield. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.69 (d, 2H), 7.45 – 7.36 (m, 2H), 7.30 (t, *J* = 8.4, 7.1 Hz, 2H), 7.20 (td, *J* = 7.6, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.15 – 7.05 (m, 3H), 7.00 (t, *J* = 7.5, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 6.86 (t, *J* = 9.7, 8.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 3.85 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 197.4, 159.1 (d, *J* = 242.4 Hz), 158.8, 140.1, 137.0, 132.7, 132.2, 131.5 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz), 129.9, 129.0 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz), 128.0, 127.6, 127.5, 127.4, 123.9 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz), 116.3, 115.4, 115.2, 114.3, 55.5. <sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, ) δ -115.8. HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: [M+H]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>16</sub>FO<sup>+</sup> = 291.1180; Found 291.1179.

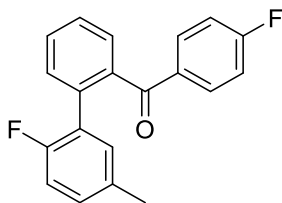


**(2'-Fluoro-4'-methyl-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yl)(*o*-tolyl)methanone (1l)**<sup>1</sup>: Colorless oil, 0.63 g, 80% yield. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.58 – 7.50 (m, 2H), 7.43 – 7.37 (m, 2H), 7.30 (d, *J* = 7.7, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.28 – 7.21 (m, 1H), 7.14 – 7.04 (m, 3H), 6.88 (d, *J* = 7.7, 1.7, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 6.71 (d, *J* = 10.6, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 2.39 (s, 3H), 2.27 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 199.4, 158.8 (d, *J* = 246.1 Hz), 140.1, 139.8 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 138.8, 137.7, 135.8, 131.3, 131.2, 131.0 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz), 130.9, 130.7 (d, *J* = 4.5 Hz), 130.0, 127.4, 125.3, 125.2, 124.9, 124.7 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz), 115.8 (d, *J* = 22.6 Hz), 21.0, 20.5. <sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ -116.7. HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: [M+H]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>18</sub>OF<sup>+</sup> = 305.1336; Found 305.1336.



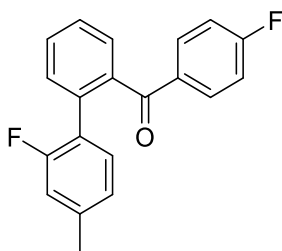
**(2'-Fluoro-4'-methyl-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yl)(4-methoxyphenyl)methanone (1m)<sup>1</sup>:**

Yellow solid, 0.61 g, 76% yield. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.72 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 7.57 – 7.41 (m, 4H), 7.13 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 6.88 – 6.79 (m, 3H), 6.74 (d, 1H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 2.27 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 196.3, 163.3, 158.9 (d, *J* = 247.4 Hz), 139.9, 139.8, 139.5, 135.0, 132.4, 131.1, 131.0, 130.1, 130.0, 128.7, 127.1, 124.9, 124.8 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz), 116.0, 115.8, 113.3, 55.4, 21.0. <sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ -117.0. HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: [M+H]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>18</sub>FO<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> = 321.1285; Found 321.1284.



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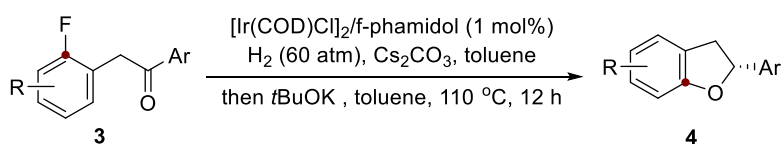
White solid, 0.37 g, 50% yield. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.80 – 7.67 (m, 2H), 7.62 – 7.43 (m, 4H), 7.10 – 6.92 (m, 4H), 6.78 (t, *J* = 9.9, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 2.26 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 196.2, 165.4 (d, *J* = 256.5 Hz), 157.2 (d, *J* = 244.4 Hz), 138.9, 135.4, 133.8, 133.6 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz), 132.5 (d, *J* = 9.1 Hz), 131.8 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz), 131.1, 130.7, 130.0 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz), 129.0, 127.5, 127.3 (d, *J* = 16.2 Hz), 115.2 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz), 115.0 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz), 20.6. <sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ -105.7, -121.4. HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: [M+H]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>15</sub>F<sub>2</sub>O<sup>+</sup> = 309.1085; Found 309.1085.



**(2'-Fluoro-4'-methyl-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yl)(4-fluorophenyl)methanone (1o)<sup>1</sup>**: White solid, 0.37 g, 93% yield. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.77 – 7.69 (m, 2H), 7.61 – 7.54 (m, 1H), 7.54 – 7.41 (m, 3H), 7.12 (t,  $J = 7.9$  Hz, 1H), 7.04 – 6.95 (m, 2H), 6.87 (d, 1H), 6.73 (d,  $J = 11.2, 1.6$  Hz, 1H), 2.27 (s, 3H). **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  196.2, 165.5 (d,  $J = 255.5$  Hz), 158.8 (d,  $J = 246.4$  Hz), 140.2 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz), 138.9, 135.3, 133.7 (d,  $J = 3.0$  Hz), 132.6 (d,  $J = 9.1$  Hz), 131.2, 131.1 (d,  $J = 4.0$  Hz), 130.6, 128.9, 127.4, 124.9 (d,  $J = 3.0$  Hz), 124.7 (d,  $J = 15.2$  Hz), 116.0 (d,  $J = 22.2$  Hz), 115.2 (d,  $J = 22.2$  Hz), 21.1. **<sup>19</sup>F NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  -105.6, -117.0. **HRMS** (ESI-TOF)  $m/z$ :  $[M+H]^+$  Calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>15</sub>F<sub>2</sub>O<sup>+</sup> = 309.1085; Found 309.1083.

### 3. General Procedure of Asymmetric Hydrogenation

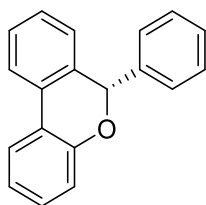
General procedure: To a 4.0 mL vial was added the catalyst precursor  $[\text{Ir}(\text{COD})\text{Cl}]_2$  (6.7 mg, 0.01 mmol), f-phamidol (**L1**) (11.6 mg, 0.02 mmol) and anhydrous THF (1.0 mL) under argon atmosphere. The mixture was stirred for 2.0 h at 25 °C giving orange red solution in the argon-filled glovebox. The resulting solution (100  $\mu\text{L}$ ) transferred by syringe into a 5.0 mL vial charged with fresh distilled substrate  $\alpha$ -aminoketones (0.2 mmol) and NaOMe (0.4 mmol, 21.6 mg, 2 equiv) in 2.0 mL anhydrous THF. The vials were transferred to an autoclave, which was then charged with 50 atm of  $\text{H}_2$ , stirred at room temperature for 12 h and further stirred at 80 °C for 4 h. The hydrogen gas was released slowly in a well-ventilated hood and the solution was concentrated and passed through a short column of silica gel to get the product. The product was analyzed by chiral HPLC for ee values.



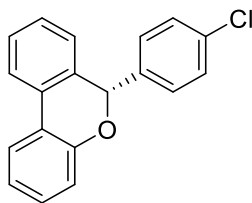
To a 10.0 mL vial equipped with a magnetic stir bar was added  $[\text{Ir}(\text{COD})_2\text{Cl}]_2$  (6.7 mg, 0.01 mmol) and f-phamidol (**L1**) (11.6 mg, 0.02 mmol) in dry toluene (10.0 mL) in an argon-filled glovebox. An Ir/f-phamidol-precatalyst solution (0.001 M) was formed after stirring for 30 min. To a 4.0 mL vial equipped with a magnetic stir bar was added ketones **3** (0.2 mmol, 1.0 eq.) and  $\text{Cs}_2\text{CO}_3$  (195.5 mg, 0.6 mmol, 3.0 eq.) in an argon-filled glovebox. Then, a solution of Ir/f-phamidol-precatalyst (0.001 M, 1.0 mL) was added into the 4.0 mL vial, followed dried toluene (1.0 mL). The vial was transferred into the autoclave. The autoclave was quickly purged with hydrogen gas for three times, and then pressurized to 60 atm  $\text{H}_2$ . The reaction solution was stirred at room temperature for 48 h, and then the pressure was released carefully. Next, *t*BuOK (44.9 mg, 0.4 mmol) was

added into the system. The reaction was then heated to 110 °C for 12 h under Ar atmosphere. After that, the reaction system was cooled to room temperature and diluted with EtOAc (2.0 mL). Then, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (silica: 200–300 mesh, eluent: petroleum ether) to afford the corresponding pure product **4**.

### 3.1 Characterization Data of Products

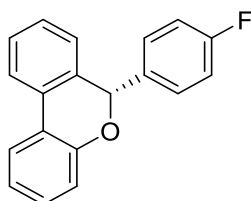


**(S)-6-phenyl-6H-benzo[c]chromene (2a)**<sup>1</sup>: Colorless liquid, 51 mg, 99% yield, 96% ee;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = +30.6$  ( $c = 0.5$ ,  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ); **HPLC** (Chiralpak OD-3 column, hexane/isopropanol = 95/5; flow rate = 1.0 mL/min; UV detection at 220 nm;  $t_1 = 8.7$  min (minor),  $t_2 = 9.6$  min (major)). **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.76 (t,  $J = 8.2$  Hz, 2H), 7.42 – 7.31 (m, 6H), 7.26 – 7.19 (m, 2H), 7.07 – 6.97 (m, 2H), 6.85 (d,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 1H), 6.16 (s, 1H). **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  153.6, 139.6, 134.0, 130.1, 129.6, 128.5, 128.5, 128.4, 128.2, 127.6, 126.3, 123.1, 122.8, 122.1, 117.9, 79.7.

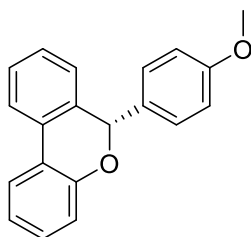


**(S)-6-(4-chlorophenyl)-6H-benzo[c]chromene (2b)**: Yellow solid, 58 mg, 99% yield, 85% ee;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = +12.6$  ( $c = 1.0$ ,  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ); **HPLC** (Chiralpak OJ-3 column, hexane/isopropanol = 95/5; flow rate = 1.0 mL/min; UV detection at 220 nm;  $t_1 = 13.4$  min (major),  $t_2 = 15.8$  min (minor)). **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.77 – 7.70 (m,

2H), 7.39 (t,  $J = 7.6, 1.3$  Hz, 1H), 7.28 (t,  $J = 2.1$  Hz, 4H), 7.25 – 7.18 (m, 2H), 7.02 (t,  $J = 7.5, 1.2$  Hz, 1H), 6.97 (d,  $J = 8.1, 1.3$  Hz, 1H), 6.84 (d,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 1H), 6.12 (s, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform- $d$ )  $\delta$  153.2, 138.1, 134.2, 133.3, 129.9, 129.7, 129.4, 128.6, 128.6, 127.7, 126.1, 123.1, 122.6, 122.2 (d,  $J = 4.5$  Hz), 117.9, 78.7.

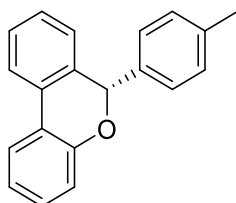


**(S)-6-(4-fluorophenyl)-6H-benzo[c]chromene (2c)**: Yellow solid, 55 mg, 99% yield, 95% ee;  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} = +21.6$  ( $c = 1.45$ ,  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ); **HPLC** (Chiralpak OJ-3 column, hexane/isopropanol = 95/5; flow rate = 1.0 mL/min; UV detection at 220 nm;  $t_1 = 14.4$  min (minor),  $t_2 = 15.3$  min (major)).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform- $d$ )  $\delta$  7.74 (t,  $J = 8.1, 1.4$  Hz, 2H), 7.42 – 7.27 (m, 3H), 7.27 – 7.16 (m, 2H), 7.05 – 6.95 (m, 4H), 6.83 (d, 1H), 6.13 (s, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform- $d$ )  $\delta$  162.6 (d,  $J = 247.4$  Hz), 153.3, 135.4 (d,  $J = 3.0$  Hz), 133.6, 130.0, 129.9 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz), 129.6, 128.6, 127.6, 126.1, 123.1, 122.7, 122.2 (d,  $J = 2.0$  Hz), 117.9, 115.4, 115.2, 78.8.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz, Chloroform- $d$ )  $\delta$  -113.5. **HRMS** (ESI-TOF)  $m/z$ :  $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  Calcd for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{14}\text{FO}^+ = 277.1023$ ; Found 277.1020.

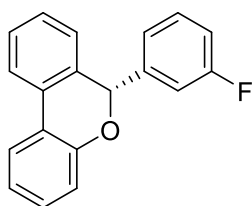


**(S)-6-(4-methoxyphenyl)-6H-benzo[c]chromene (2d)**<sup>2</sup>: Yellow oil, 56 mg, 98% yield, 89% ee;  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} = +14.0$  ( $c = 1.0$ ,  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ); **HPLC** (Chiralpak OJ-3 column, hexane/isopropanol = 70/30; flow rate = 1.0 mL/min; UV detection at 220 nm;  $t_1 = 16.2$  min (major),  $t_2 = 20.0$  min (minor)).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform- $d$ )  $\delta$  7.76 (t,  $J = 7.5$ ,

5.8, 1.4 Hz, 2H), 7.39 (t,  $J = 7.7, 1.3$  Hz, 1H), 7.29 (d, 2H), 7.24 – 7.18 (m, 2H), 7.03 (t,  $J = 7.5, 1.2$  Hz, 1H), 6.97 (d,  $J = 8.0, 1.2$  Hz, 1H), 6.90 – 6.84 (m, 3H), 6.13 (s, 1H), 3.79 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  159.6, 153.6, 134.2, 131.7, 130.1, 129.5, 129.5, 128.4, 127.6, 126.2, 123.0, 122.8, 122.0, 122.0, 117.9, 113.8, 79.3, 55.2.



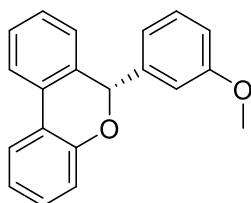
**(S)-6-(p-tolyl)-6H-benzo[c]chromene (2e)<sup>2</sup>**: White solid, 54 mg, 99% yield, 96% ee;  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} = +23.6$  ( $c = 1.0$ ,  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ); **HPLC** (Chiralpak OD-3 column, hexane/isopropanol = 90/10; flow rate = 1.0 mL/min; UV detection at 220 nm;  $t_1 = 5.6$  min (major),  $t_2 = 6.2$  min (minor).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.77 – 7.71 (m, 2H), 7.37 (t,  $J = 7.6, 1.3$  Hz, 1H), 7.28 – 7.12 (m, 7H), 7.05 – 6.95 (m, 2H), 6.85 (d,  $J = 7.7, 0.9$  Hz, 1H), 6.12 (s, 1H), 2.33 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  153.6, 138.1, 136.6, 134.1, 130.0, 129.5, 129.1, 128.3, 128.1, 127.5, 126.2, 123.0, 122.7, 122.0, 122.0, 117.9, 79.5, 21.2.



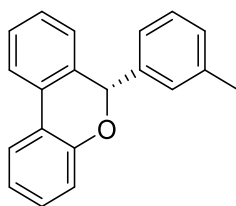
**(S)-6-(3-fluorophenyl)-6H-benzo[c]chromene (2f)**: Yellow oil, 54 mg, 99% yield, 65% ee;  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} = -0.93$  ( $c = 1.0$ ,  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ); **HPLC** (Chiralpak OJ-3 column, hexane/isopropanol = 95/5; flow rate = 1.0 mL/min; UV detection at 220 nm;  $t_1 = 13.5$  min (major),  $t_2 = 16.0$  min (minor).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.79 – 7.70 (m, 2H), 7.40 (t,  $J = 7.6, 1.3$  Hz, 1H), 7.32 – 7.18 (m, 3H), 7.13 (d,  $J = 7.7, 1.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.10 – 6.95 (m, 4H), 6.88 (d,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 1H), 6.14 (s, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  162.8 (d,  $J = 247.4$  Hz), 153.2, 142.2 (d,  $J = 7.1$  Hz), 133.1, 129.9 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz), 129.7, 128.7, 127.7,



126.1, 123.6 (d,  $J = 2.0$  Hz), 123.1, 122.6, 122.3, 122.2, 117.9, 115.3, 115.1 (d,  $J = 3.0$  Hz), 114.9, 78.7 (d,  $J = 2.0$  Hz).  **$^{19}\text{F}$  NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform- $d$ )  $\delta$  -112.6. **HRMS** (ESI-TOF)  $m/z$ :  $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  Calcd for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{14}\text{FO}^+$  = 277.1023; Found 277.1021.

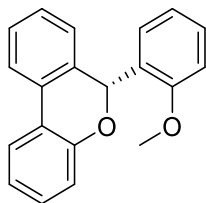


**(S)-6-(3-methoxyphenyl)-6H-benzo[c]chromene (2g)**<sup>2</sup>: Yellow oil, 57 mg, 99% yield, 90% ee;  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} = + 21.27$  ( $c = 1.45$ ,  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ); **HPLC** (Chiralpak OJ-3 column, hexane/isopropanol = 70/30; flow rate = 1.0 mL/min; UV detection at 220 nm;  $t_1 = 18.4$  min (major),  $t_2 = 23.2$  min (minor).  **$^1\text{H}$  NMR** (600 MHz, Chloroform- $d$ )  $\delta$  7.74 (t,  $J = 7.5$ , 5.4, 1.3 Hz, 2H), 7.38 (t,  $J = 7.6$ , 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.28 – 7.19 (m, 3H), 7.06 – 6.98 (m, 2H), 6.95 (d,  $J = 5.0$ , 2.8 Hz, 2H), 6.86 (t, 2H), 6.12 (s, 1H), 3.74 (s, 3H).  **$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR** (151 MHz, Chloroform- $d$ )  $\delta$  159.7, 153.6, 141.0, 133.8, 129.9, 129.6, 129.4, 128.4, 127.6, 126.2, 123.1, 122.7, 122.1, 122.0, 120.5, 117.8, 113.9, 113.5, 79.5, 55.2.

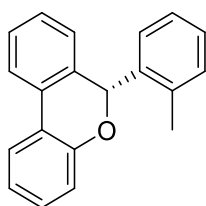


**(S)-6-(m-tolyl)-6H-benzo[c]chromene (2h)**: Yellow solid, 54 mg, 99% yield, 96% ee;  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} = + 13.2$  ( $c = 1.45$ ,  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ); **HPLC** (Chiralpak OJ-3 column, hexane/isopropanol = 97/3; flow rate = 1.0 mL/min; UV detection at 220 nm;  $t_1 = 19.9$  min (major),  $t_2 = 22.5$  min (minor).  **$^1\text{H}$  NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform- $d$ )  $\delta$  7.73 (d,  $J = 7.7$ , 1.8 Hz, 2H), 7.36 (t,  $J = 7.6$ , 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.25 – 7.10 (m, 7H), 7.05 – 6.97 (m, 2H), 6.81 (d,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 1H), 6.09 (s, 1H), 2.32 (s, 3H).  **$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform- $d$ )  $\delta$  153.7, 139.4, 138.1, 134.1, 130.0, 129.5, 129.2, 128.8, 128.4, 128.3, 127.5, 126.2, 125.3, 123.1, 122.7, 122.0,

122.0, 117.8, 79.8, 21.4. **HRMS** (ESI-TOF)  $m/z$ :  $[M+H]^+$  Calcd for  $C_{20}H_{17}O^+$  = 273.1274; Found 273.1269.

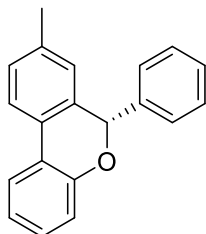


**(R)-6-(2-methoxyphenyl)-6H-benzo[c]chromene (2i)**: White solid, 57 mg, 99% yield, 68% ee;  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  = -13.7 (c = 1.0,  $CHCl_3$ ); **HPLC** (Chiralpak OJ-3 column, hexane/isopropanol = 95/5; flow rate = 1.0 mL/min; UV detection at 220 nm;  $t_1$  = 12.1 min (major),  $t_2$  = 14.7 min (minor).  **$^1H$  NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.77 (t, 2H), 7.39 – 7.29 (m, 3H), 7.24 – 7.16 (m, 2H), 7.06 (t,  $J$  = 7.6, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.01 – 6.91 (m, 3H), 6.76 (d, 1H), 6.63 (s, 1H), 3.87 (s, 3H).  **$^{13}C$  NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  157.1, 154.3, 134.2, 130.4, 129.5, 129.4, 129.0, 128.1, 127.8, 127.7, 125.8, 123.1, 122.9, 121.9, 121.8, 120.9, 117.7, 110.6, 73.5, 55.6. **HRMS** (ESI-TOF)  $m/z$ :  $[M+H]^+$  Calcd for  $C_{20}H_{17}O_2^+$  = 289.1223; Found 289.1218.

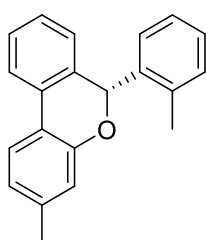


**(S)-6-(o-tolyl)-6H-benzo[c]chromene (2j)**: Brown oil, 54 mg, 99% yield, 94% ee;  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  = -1.6 (c = 1.0,  $CHCl_3$ ); **HPLC** (Chiralpak OJ-3 column, hexane/isopropanol = 95/5; flow rate = 1.0 mL/min; UV detection at 220 nm;  $t_1$  = 8.9 min (major),  $t_2$  = 11.0 min (minor).  **$^1H$  NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.79 – 7.74 (m, 2H), 7.37 (t,  $J$  = 7.6, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.28 – 7.22 (m, 3H), 7.22 – 7.14 (m, 3H), 7.05 (t,  $J$  = 7.5, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 6.97 (d,  $J$  = 8.0, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 6.67 (d,  $J$  = 7.6, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 6.31 (s, 1H), 2.40 (s, 3H).  **$^{13}C$  NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  154.1, 137.1, 137.0, 133.8, 130.7, 130.5, 129.5, 128.7, 128.4,

128.4, 127.7, 126.1, 125.6, 123.1, 122.9, 122.1, 122.0, 117.6, 77.7, 19.6. **HRMS** (ESI-TOF)  $m/z$ :  $[M+H]^+$  Calcd for  $C_{20}H_{18}O^+$  = 273.1274; Found 273.1268.

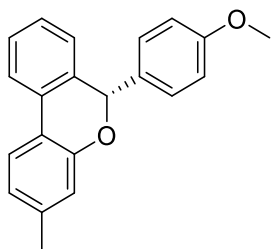


**(S)-8-methyl-6-phenyl-6H-benzo[c]chromene (2k)**: Yellow solid, 54 mg, 99% yield, 94% ee;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = +54.67$  ( $c = 1.0$ ,  $CHCl_3$ ); **HPLC** (Chiralpak OD-3 column, hexane/isopropanol = 95/5; flow rate = 1.0 mL/min; UV detection at 220 nm;  $t_1 = 8.4$  min (major),  $t_2 = 9.0$  min (minor).  **$^1H$  NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.67 (t, 2H), 7.47 – 7.23 (m, 5H), 7.15 (t,  $J = 7.8$ , 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.08 – 6.83 (m, 3H), 6.39 (d,  $J = 2.6$ , 0.8 Hz, 1H), 6.10 (s, 1H), 3.72 (s, 3H).  **$^{13}C$  NMR** (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  159.3, 152.8, 139.4, 135.5, 128.5, 128.5, 128.4, 128.1, 123.5, 122.9, 122.8, 122.4, 122.1, 117.7, 113.7, 111.9, 79.6, 55.2. **HRMS** (ESI-TOF)  $m/z$ :  $[M+H]^+$  Calcd for  $C_{20}H_{17}O^+$  = 273.1274; Found 273.1274.

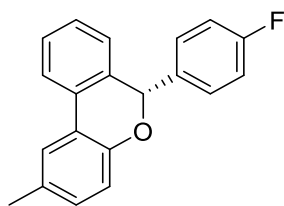


**(S)-3-methyl-6-(o-tolyl)-6H-benzo[c]chromene (2l)**: Colorless oil, 56 mg, 98% yield, 95% ee;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -22.5$  ( $c = 1.0$ ,  $CHCl_3$ ); **HPLC** (Chiralpak OJ-3 column, hexane/isopropanol = 90/10; flow rate = 1.0 mL/min; UV detection at 220 nm;  $t_1 = 8.2$  min (major),  $t_2 = 10.0$  min (minor).  **$^1H$  NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.71 (d,  $J = 7.8$ , 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (d,  $J = 7.9$  Hz, 1H), 7.34 (t,  $J = 7.6$ , 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.26 – 7.10 (m, 5H), 6.85 (d,  $J = 7.9$ , 1.6 Hz, 1H), 6.79 (s, 1H), 6.66 (d,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 1H), 6.28 (s, 1H), 2.40 (s,

3H), 2.29 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C NMR}$  (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  154.0, 139.9, 137.2, 137.0, 133.4, 130.7, 128.7, 128.3, 128.3, 127.3, 126.1, 125.6, 123.0, 122.9, 121.7, 120.1, 118.0, 77.7, 21.3, 19.6. **HRMS** (ESI-TOF) *m/z*:  $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  Calcd for  $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{19}\text{O}^+$  = 287.1430; Found 287.1426.

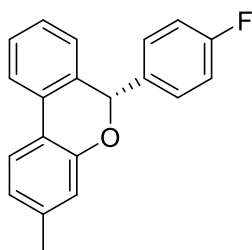


**(S)-6-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-methyl-6H-benzo[c]chromene (2m)**<sup>2</sup>: Black solid, 59 mg, 98% yield, 92% ee;  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} = -0.4$  (*c* = 1.0,  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ); **HPLC** (Chiralpak As-3 column, hexane/isopropanol = 95/5; flow rate = 1.0 mL/min; UV detection at 220 nm;  $t_1 = 5.2$  min (minor),  $t_2 = 6.0$  min (major).  $^1\text{H NMR}$  (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.70 (d, *J* = 7.9, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.60 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.34 (t, *J* = 7.6, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.26 (d, 2H), 7.18 (t, 1H), 6.87 – 6.76 (m, 5H), 6.08 (s, 1H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 2.28 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C NMR}$  (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  159.5, 153.4, 139.9, 133.7, 131.9, 130.2, 129.4, 128.3, 127.1, 126.1, 122.9, 122.8, 121.7, 119.9, 118.2, 113.8, 79.2, 55.2, 21.3.

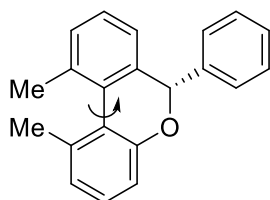


**(S)-6-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-methyl-6H-benzo[c]chromene (2n)**: White solid, 31 mg, 54% yield, 94% ee;  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} = +41.5$  (*c* = 1.0,  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ); **HPLC** (Chiralpak AD-3 column, hexane/isopropanol = 95/5; flow rate = 1.0 mL/min; UV detection at 220 nm;  $t_1 = 6.2$  min (minor),  $t_2 = 6.8$  min (major).  $^1\text{H NMR}$  (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.81 (d, *J* = 7.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.59 (s, 1H), 7.48 – 7.33 (m, 3H), 7.29 (t, 1H), 7.13 – 6.99 (m, 3H), 6.97 – 6.82

(m, 2H), 6.15 (s, 1H), 2.39 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  162.6 (d,  $J = 248.5$  Hz), 151.1, 135.5 (d,  $J = 3.0$  Hz), 133.7, 131.4, 130.3, 130.1, 129.9 (d,  $J = 9.1$  Hz), 128.5, 127.5, 126.1, 123.5, 122.3, 122.1, 117.6, 115.3 (d,  $J = 21.2$  Hz), 78.8, 20.9.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  -113.7. HRMS (ESI-TOF)  $m/z$ :  $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  Calcd for  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{16}\text{FO}^+$  = 291.1180; Found 291.1176.

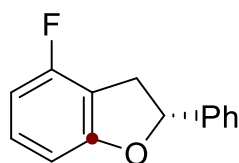


**(S)-6-(4-fluorophenyl)-3-methyl-6H-benzo[c]chromene (2o)**: Yellow solid, 58 mg, 99% yield, 95% ee;  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} = +41.5$  ( $c = 1.0$ ,  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ); HPLC (Chiralpak OJ-3 column, hexane/isopropanol = 95/5; flow rate = 1.0 mL/min; UV detection at 220 nm;  $t_1 = 12.5$  min (major),  $t_2 = 21.2$  min (minor).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.78 (d,  $J = 7.7$  Hz, 1H), 7.67 (d,  $J = 7.9$  Hz, 1H), 7.46 – 7.34 (m, 3H), 7.29 – 7.23 (m, 1H), 7.07 (t,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H), 6.96 – 6.77 (m, 3H), 6.17 (s, 1H), 2.36 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  162.6 (d,  $J = 247.4$  Hz), 153.2, 140.1, 135.6 (d,  $J = 3.0$  Hz), 133.2, 130.1, 129.9 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz), 128.5, 127.2, 126.1, 123.1, 122.9, 121.8, 119.9, 118.3, 115.3 (d,  $J = 22.2$  Hz), 78.8, 21.3.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  -113.7. HRMS (ESI-TOF)  $m/z$ :  $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  Calcd for  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{16}\text{FO}^+$  = 291.1180; Found 291.1175.



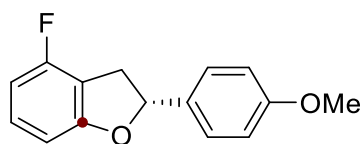
**(S)-1,10-dimethyl-6-phenyl-6H-benzo[c]chromene (2p)**: colorless oil, 52.7 mg, 92% yield, 3:1 d.r., 68% ee;  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} = +20.1$  ( $c = 1.0$ ,  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ); HPLC (Chiralpak OJ-3 column, hexane/isopropanol = 95/5; flow rate = 1.0 mL/min; UV detection at 254 nm;  $t_1 = 7.094$

min (minor),  $t_2 = 12.900$  min (major).  **$^1\text{H NMR}$**  (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.38-7.33 (m, 14H, major+minor), 7.26-6.99 (m, 18H, major+minor), 6.96-6.87 (m, 7H, major, 6H ; minor 1H), 6.74-6.65 (m, 2H, minor), 6.32 (d,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 3H, major), 6.10 (s, 1H, minor), 5.49 (s, 3H), 2.30 (s, 9H, major), 2.25 (s, 9H, major), 2.24 (s, 3H, minor), 2.15 (s, 3H, minor).  **$^{13}\text{C NMR}$**  (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  157.3 (major), 154.5 (minor), 141.0 (major), 138.7 (minor), 138.5 (major), 137.8 (minor), 136.0 (major), 135.5 (minor), 135.4 (minor), 134.3 (major), 131.2 (minor), 131.0 (major), 130.5 (major), 130.1 (minor), 128.5 (major), 128.4 (minor), 128.3 (major), 128.1 (minor), 127.9 (major), 127.8 (major+minor), 127.6 (minor), 126.6 (minor), 126.4 (major), 124.9 (minor), 124.7 (major), 124.5 (major), 124.3 (minor), 123.7 (minor), 122.3 (major), 115.4 (minor), 113.8 (major). **HRMS** (ESI-TOF)  $m/z$ :  $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  Calcd for  $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{19}\text{O}^+$  = 287.1430; Found 287.1440.



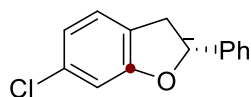
**(R)-4-fluoro-2-phenyl-2,3-dihydrobenzofuran (4a)**

Colorless oil, 40.3 mg, 94% yield, 99% ee.  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} = +3.80$  ( $c = 0.50$ ,  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ). **HPLC**: The ee was determined by chiral HPLC (Chiralpak OD-3, n-hexane/isopropanol 98:2 v/v, flow rate 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm, 25 °C). Retention times:  $t_{\text{R}} = 6.094$  min (major),  $t_{\text{R}} = 9.415$  min (minor).  **$^1\text{H NMR}$**  (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  (ppm) 7.41-7.36 (m, 4H), 7.36-7.29 (m, 1H), 7.16-7.07 (m, 1H), 6.66 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 6.59 (t,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 1H), 5.80 (dd,  $J = 9.3, 8.2$  Hz, 1H), 3.66 (dd,  $J = 15.8, 9.5$  Hz, 1H), 3.22 (dd,  $J = 15.8, 8.0$  Hz, 1H).  **$^{13}\text{C NMR}$**  (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  (ppm) 161.9 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz), 159.3 (d,  $J = 247.1$  Hz), 141.3, 129.6 (d,  $J = 8.8$  Hz), 128.7, 128.2, 125.7, 112.9 (d,  $J = 21.5$  Hz), 107.7 (d,  $J = 20.3$  Hz), 105.3 (d,  $J = 4.5$  Hz), 84.9, 35.0.  **$^{19}\text{F NMR}$**  (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  (ppm) -116.80. **HRMS** (ESI)  $m/z$ : calcd for  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{10}\text{FO}^-$   $[\text{M}-\text{H}]^-$ : 213.0721, found: 213.0714.



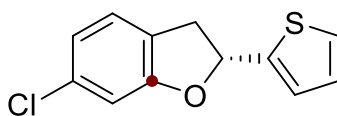
**(R)-4-fluoro-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2,3-dihydrobenzofuran (4b)**

Colorless oil, 45.4 mg, 93% yield, 98% ee.  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -49.00$  ( $c = 0.50$ ,  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ). **HPLC:** The ee was determined by chiral HPLC (Chiralpak OD-3, n-hexane/isopropanol 98:2 v/v, flow rate 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm, 25 °C). Retention times:  $t_R = 7.592$  min (major),  $t_R = 9.840$  min (minor).  **$^1\text{H NMR}$**  (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  (ppm) 7.35-7.30 (m, 2H), 7.15-7.07 (m, 1H), 6.94-6.88 (m, 2H), 6.63 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 6.59 (t,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 1H), 5.82-5.72 (m, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.63 (dd,  $J = 15.8, 9.4$  Hz, 1H), 3.23 (dd,  $J = 15.8, 8.2$  Hz, 1H).  **$^{13}\text{C NMR}$**  (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  (ppm) 161.8 (d,  $J = 8.2$  Hz), 159.6, 159.3 (d,  $J = 246.5$  Hz), 133.1, 129.6 (d,  $J = 8.8$  Hz), 127.3, 114.1, 113.1 (d,  $J = 20.8$  Hz), 107.6 (d,  $J = 21.1$  Hz), 105.3 (d,  $J = 3.6$  Hz), 84.9, 55.3, 34.8.  **$^{19}\text{F NMR}$**  (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  (ppm) -116.89. **HRMS** (ESI)  $m/z$ : calcd for  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{14}\text{FO}_2^+$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ :245.0972, found: 245.0974.



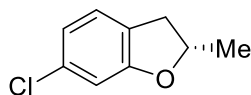
**(R)-6-chloro-2-phenyl-2,3-dihydrobenzofuran (4c)**

Colorless oil, 42.9 mg, 93% yield, 96% ee.  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -46.80$  ( $c = 0.50$ ,  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ). **HPLC:** The ee was determined by chiral HPLC (Chiralpak OD-3, n-hexane/isopropanol 99:1 v/v, flow rate 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda = 220$  nm, 25 °C). Retention times:  $t_R = 8.344$  min (major),  $t_R = 8.955$  min (minor).  **$^1\text{H NMR}$**  (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  (ppm) 7.38-7.34 (m, 4H), 7.34-7.27 (m, 1H), 7.09-7.03 (m, 1H), 6.84 (d,  $J = 7.1$  Hz, 2H), 5.77 (dd,  $J = 9.4, 8.1$  Hz, 1H), 3.57 (dd,  $J = 15.7, 9.5$  Hz, 1H), 3.14 (dd,  $J = 15.7, 8.0$  Hz, 1H).  **$^{13}\text{C NMR}$**  (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  (ppm) 160.4, 141.4, 133.4, 128.7, 128.2, 125.7, 125.3, 125.2, 120.7, 110.1, 85.0, 37.7. **HRMS** (ESI)  $m/z$ : calcd for  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{10}\text{ClO}^-$   $[\text{M}-\text{H}]^-$ :229.0426, found: 229.0419.



**(R)-6-chloro-2-(thiophen-2-yl)-2,3-dihydrobenzofuran (4d)**

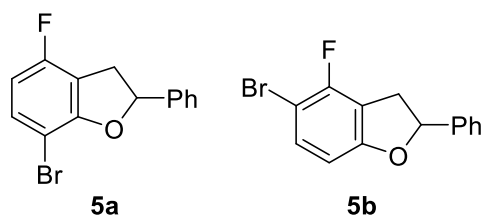
Colorless oil, 43.5 mg, 92% yield, 98% ee.  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = +61.60$  ( $c = 0.50$ ,  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ). **HPLC:** The ee was determined by chiral HPLC (Chiralpak OD-3, n-hexane/isopropanol 98:2 v/v, flow rate 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm, 25 °C). Retention times:  $t_R = 7.940$  min (major),  $t_R = 9.216$  min (minor).  **$^1\text{H NMR}$**  (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  (ppm) 7.30 (dd,  $J = 5.1, 1.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.12-7.08 (m, 2H), 6.99 (dd,  $J = 5.1, 3.5$  Hz, 1H), 6.86 (dd,  $J = 7.9, 1.8$  Hz, 1H), 6.82 (d,  $J = 1.8$  Hz, 1H), 6.03-5.97 (m, 1H), 3.59 (dd,  $J = 15.8, 9.2$  Hz, 1H), 3.32 (ddd,  $J = 15.7, 7.8, 0.9$  Hz, 1H).  **$^{13}\text{C NMR}$**  (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  (ppm) 159.7, 143.9, 133.6, 126.8, 125.8, 125.4, 125.2, 124.9, 120.9, 110.4, 80.9, 37.8. **HRMS** (ESI)  $m/z$ : calcd for  $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{10}\text{ClOS}^+$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 237.0135, found: 237.0138.



**(S)-6-chloro-2-methyl-2,3-dihydrobenzofuran (4e)**

Colorless oil, 31.4 mg, 93% yield, 34% ee.  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -12.0$  ( $c = 0.50$ ,  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ). **HPLC:** The ee was determined by chiral HPLC (Chiralpak OD-3, n-hexane/isopropanol 98:2 v/v, flow rate 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm, 25 °C). Retention times:  $t_R = 11.892$  min (major),  $t_R = 13.038$  min (minor).  **$^1\text{H NMR}$**  (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  (ppm) 6.91 (d,  $J = 7.9$  Hz, 1H), 6.68 (dd,  $J = 7.9, 1.9$  Hz, 1H), 6.63 (d,  $J = 1.8$  Hz, 1H), 4.89-4.77 (m, 1H), 3.14 (dd,  $J = 15.5, 8.8$  Hz, 1H), 2.64 (dd,  $J = 15.9, 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 1.34 (d,  $J = 6.3$  Hz, 3H).  **$^{13}\text{C NMR}$**  (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  (ppm) 160.4, 133.1, 125.7, 125.3, 120.1, 110.0, 80.6, 77.3, 77.0, 76.7, 36.5, 21.6. **HRMS** (ESI)  $m/z$ : calcd for  $\text{C}_9\text{H}_{10}\text{ClO}^+$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 169.0415, found: 169.0418.

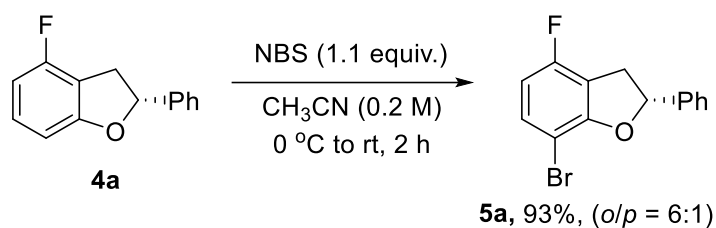




### A mixture of 5a and 5b

Colorless oil, 54.5 mg, 93% yield.  $^1\text{H NMR}$  (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  (ppm) 7.42-7.26 (m, 7H, major+minor), 6.56 (d,  $J = 8.5$  Hz, 1H, major+minor), 5.92 (dd,  $J = 9.5, 7.9$  Hz, 0.14H, minor), 5.82 (dd,  $J = 9.4, 8.1$  Hz, 1H, major), 3.78 (ddt,  $J = 16.2, 9.5, 1.0$  Hz, 0.16H, minor), 3.69 (dd,  $J = 16.0, 9.5$  Hz, 1H, major), 3.34 (ddt,  $J = 16.1, 7.9, 1.1$  Hz, 0.15H, minor), 3.25 (dd,  $J = 16.0, 8.0$  Hz, 1H, major).  $^{13}\text{C NMR}$  (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  (ppm) 161.1 (d,  $J = 7.1$  Hz, major), 158.2 (d,  $J = 7.7$  Hz, minor), 156.4 (major), 155.8 (minor), 154.0 (major), 153.4 (minor), 140.7 (major), 140.0 (minor), 134.7 (minor), 132.7 (major), 128.8 (minor), 128.8 (major), 128.6 (minor), 128.4 (major), 125.6 (major+minor), 115.3 (d,  $J = 23.2$  Hz, minor), 114.6 (d,  $J = 22.6$  Hz, major), 106.6 (d,  $J = 2.6$  Hz, major+minor), 100.0 (d,  $J = 21.3$  Hz, minor), 99.1 (d,  $J = 21.4$  Hz, major), 85.9 (minor), 85.5 (major), 77.3, 77.0, 76.7, 36.4 (d,  $J = 2.1$  Hz, minor), 35.4 (d,  $J = 1.9$  Hz, major).  $^{19}\text{F NMR}$  (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  (ppm) -110.13 (major), -111.56 (minor). **HRMS** (ESI)  $m/z$ : calcd for  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{11}\text{BrFO}^+$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 292.9972, found: 292.9968.

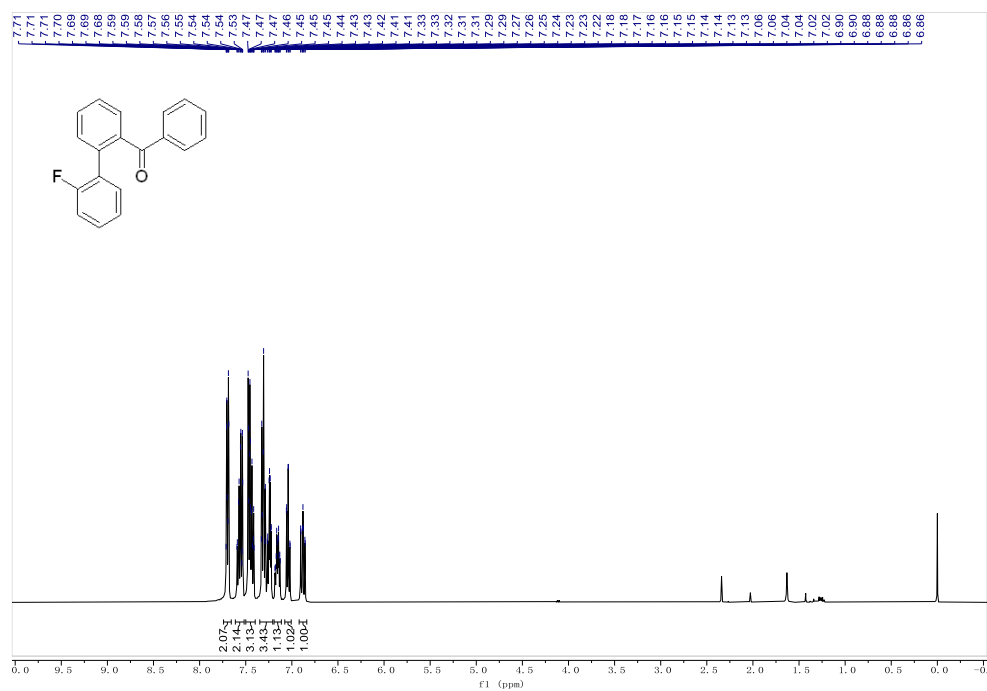
#### 4. General Procedure of Transformation



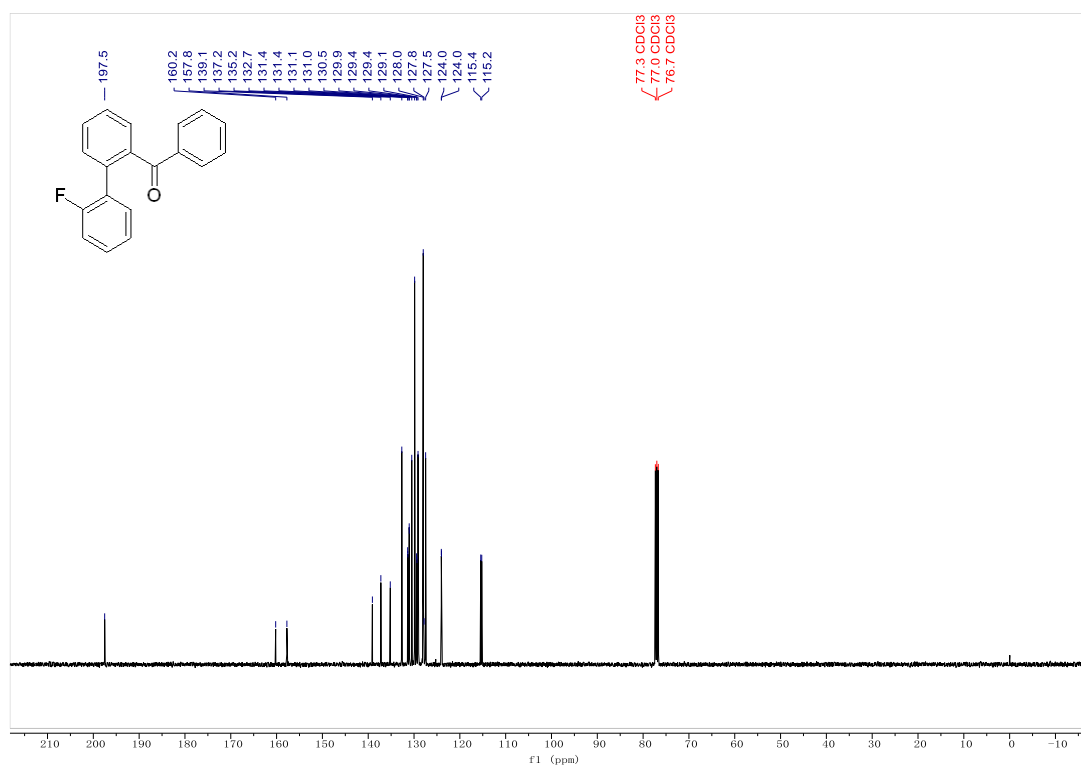
To a 15 ml round flask was added racemic **4a** (42.8mg, 0.2 mmol) in 2 mL CH<sub>3</sub>CN, the flask was then cooled to 0 °C in a ice bath. Then, *N*-bromosuccinimide (39.1 mg, 0.22 mmol) was added into the system, warmed to room temperature. The solution was stirred at rt for 2 h. Then, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (silica: 200–300 mesh, eluent: petroleum ether : EtOAc = 50:1-20: 1 v/v) to afford the corresponding product **5a** as a colorless oil with 93% yield.

## 5. NMR Spectroscopic Data

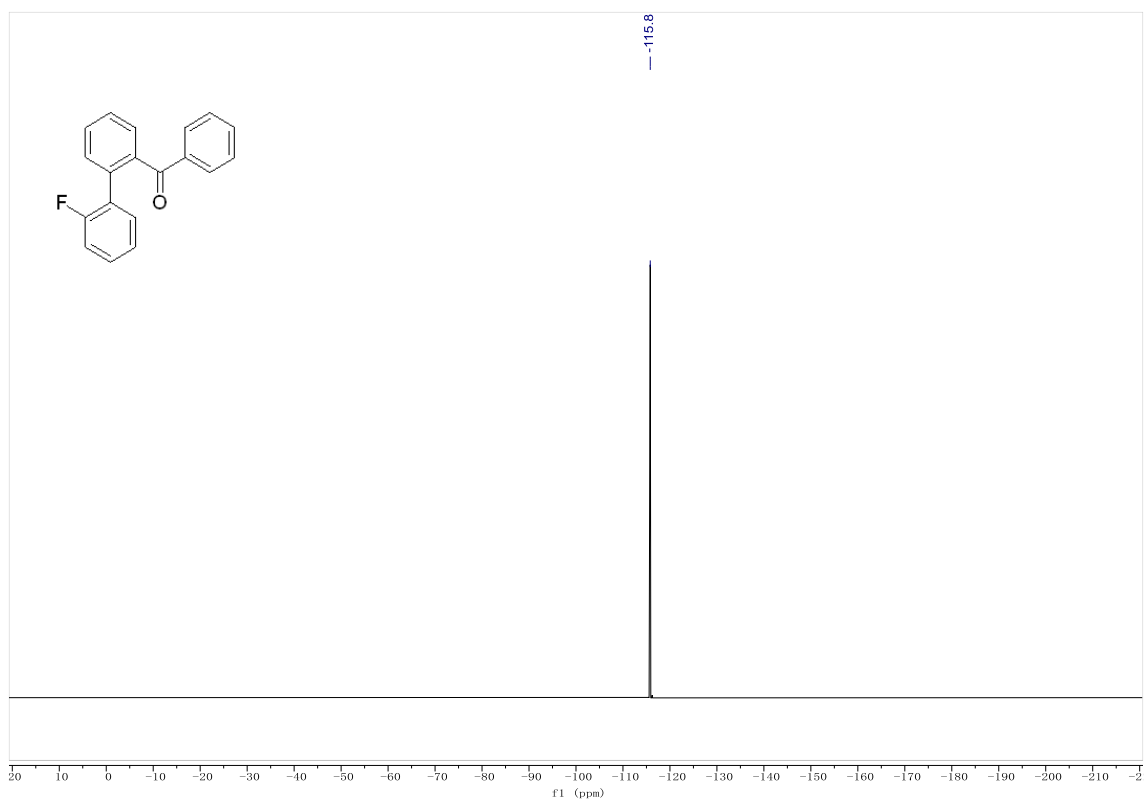
### <sup>1</sup>H NMR of 1a (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)



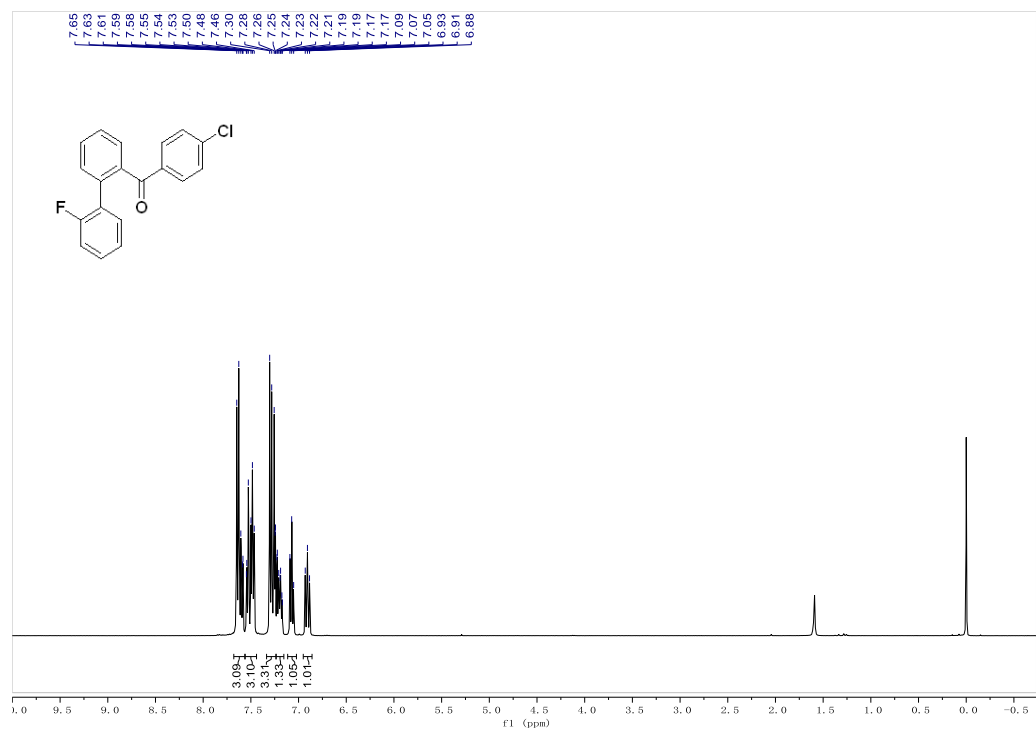
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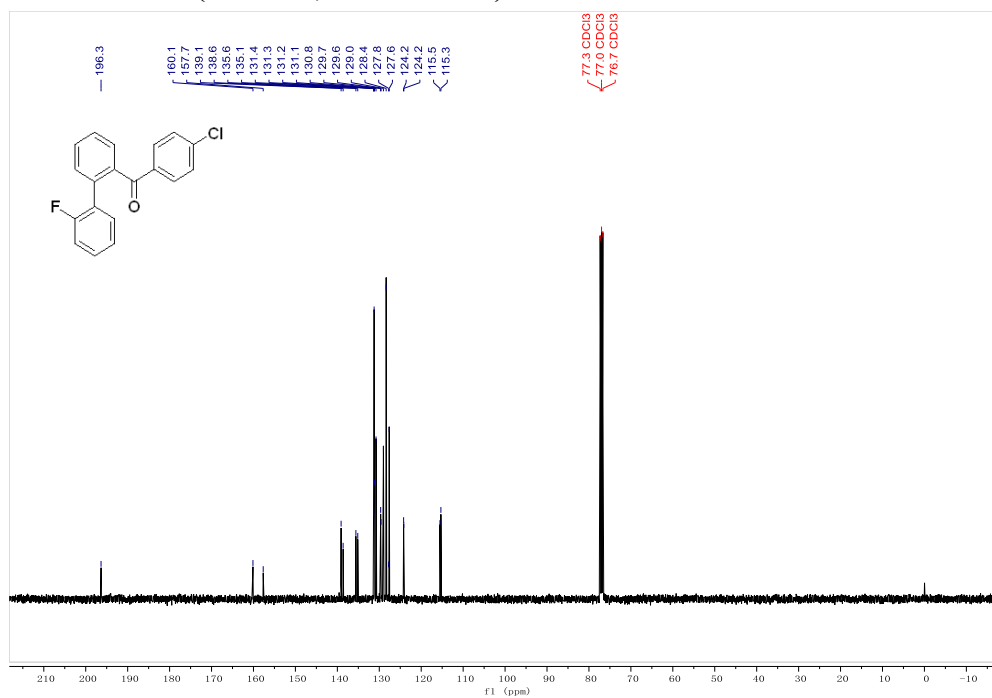
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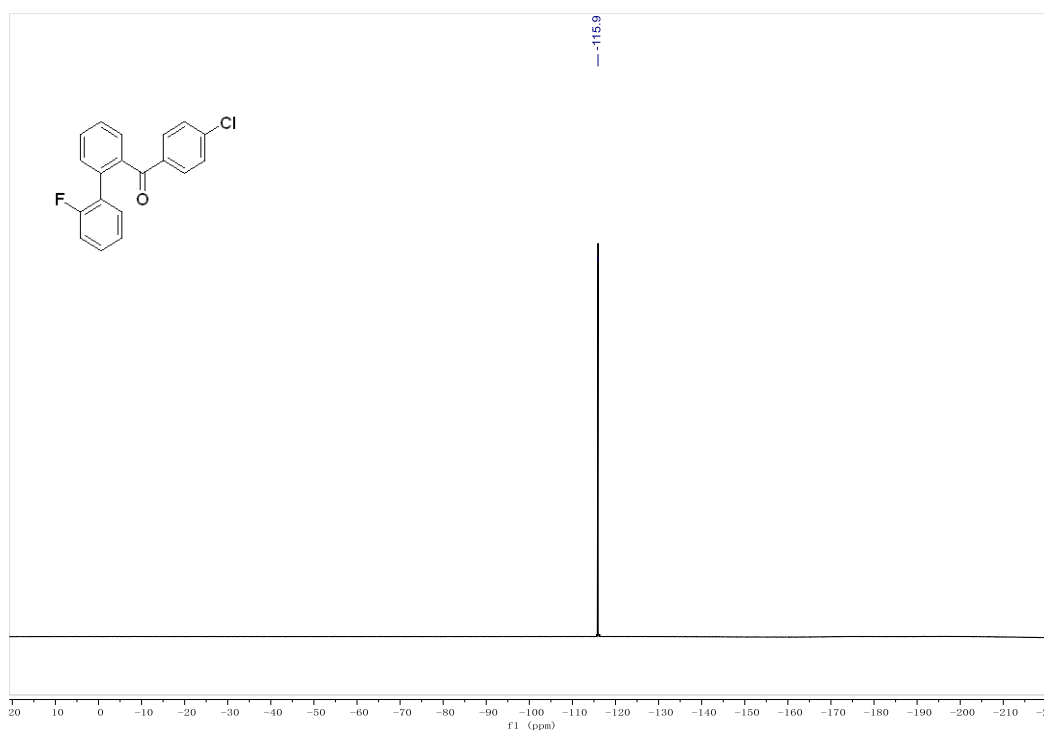
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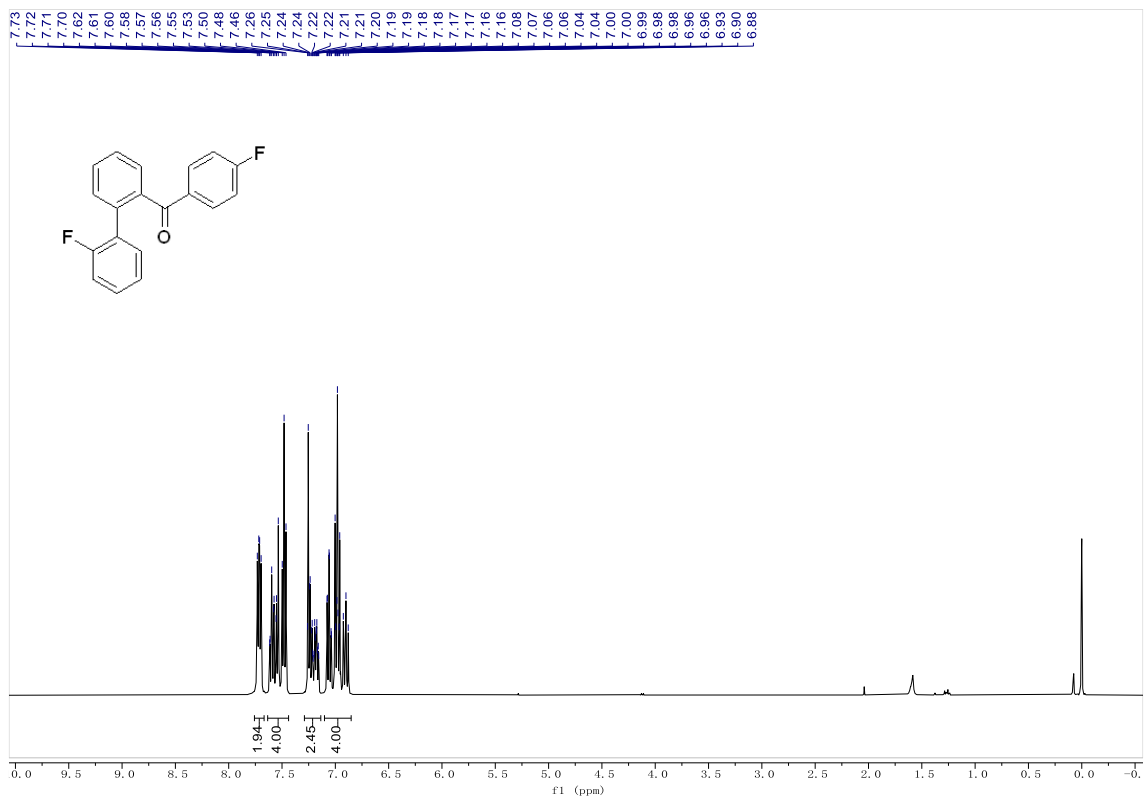
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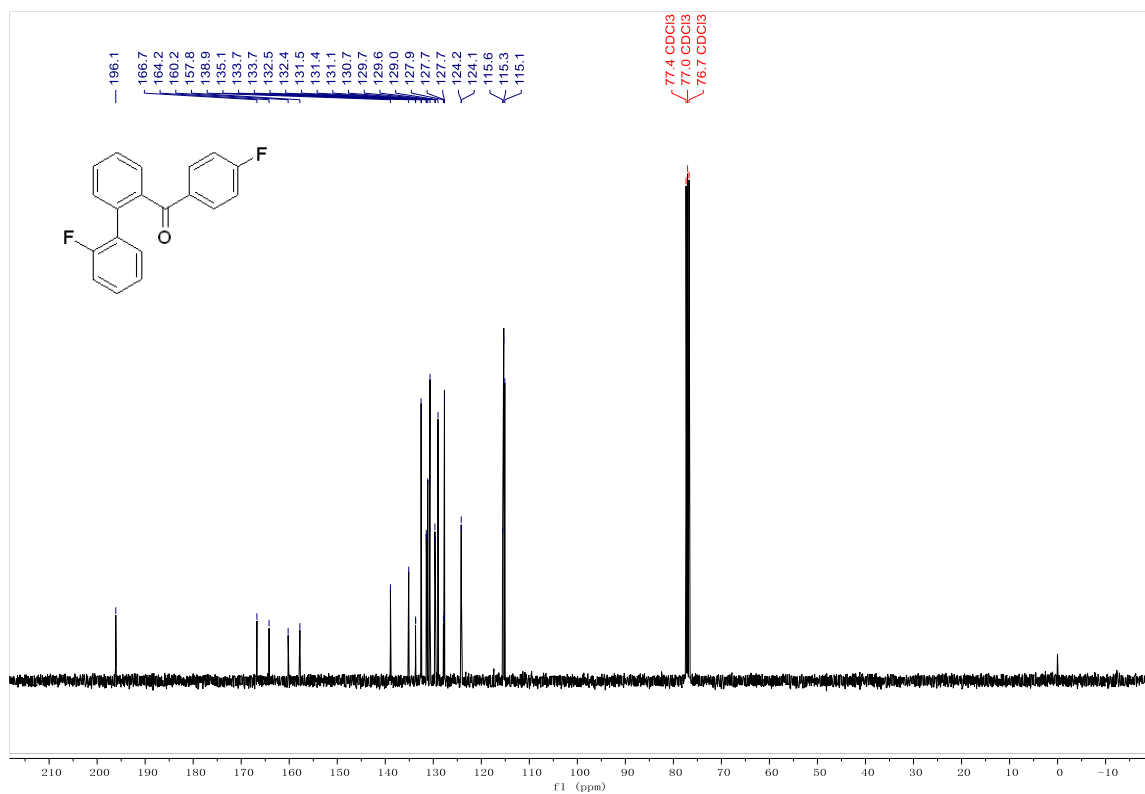
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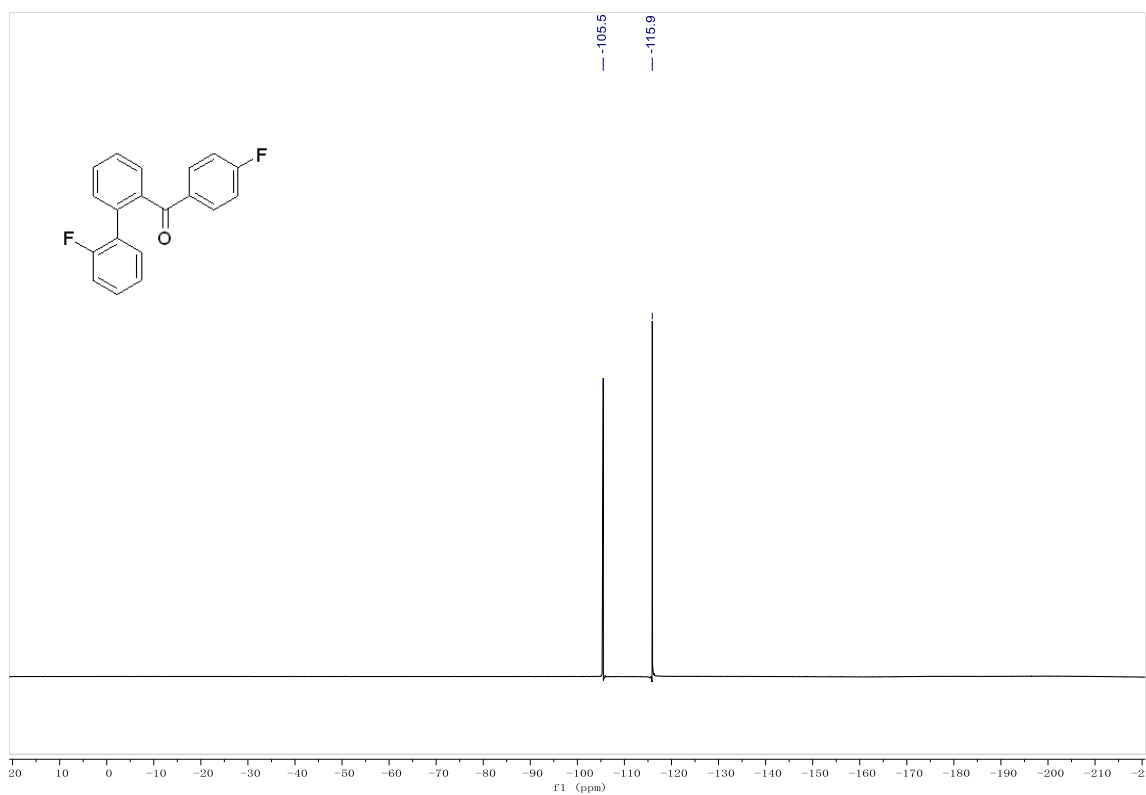
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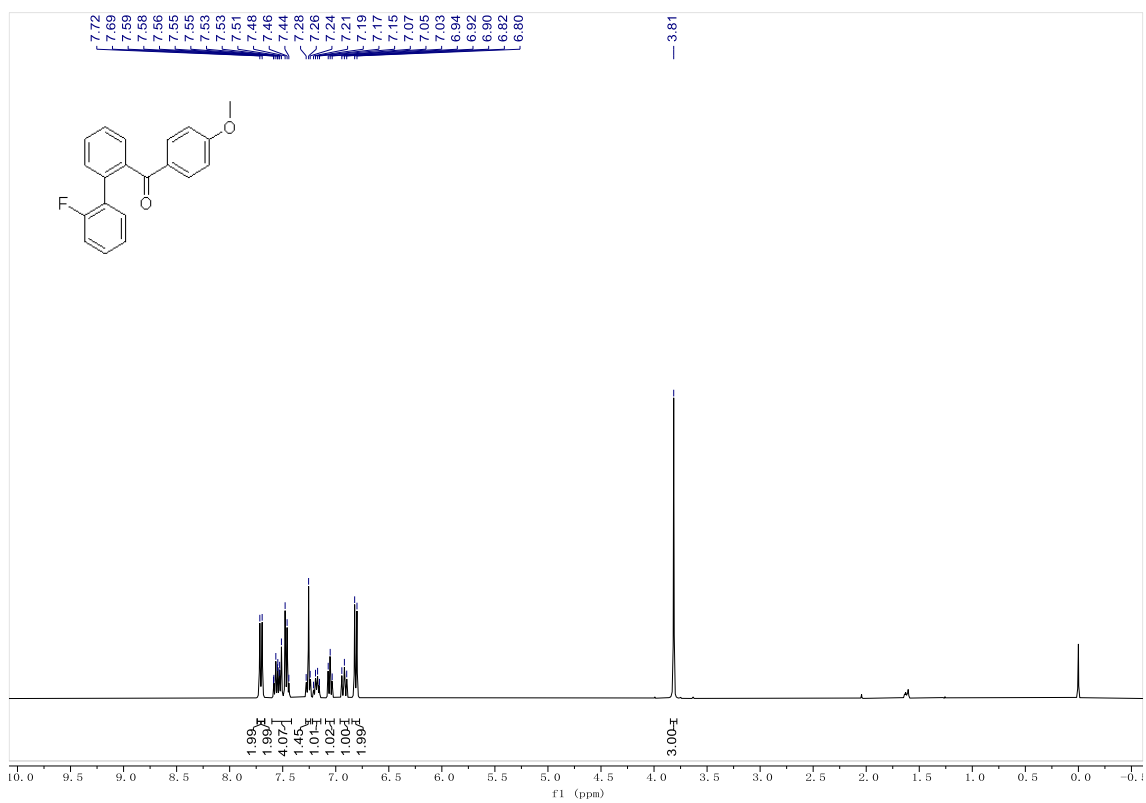
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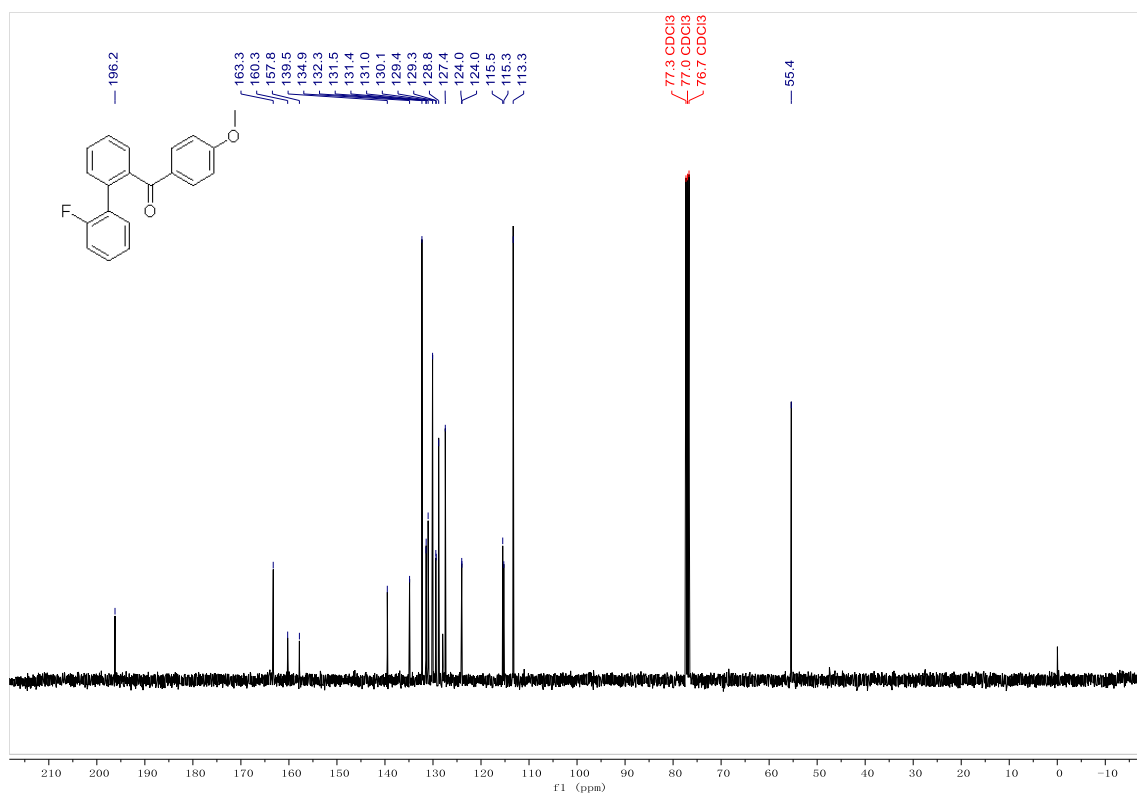
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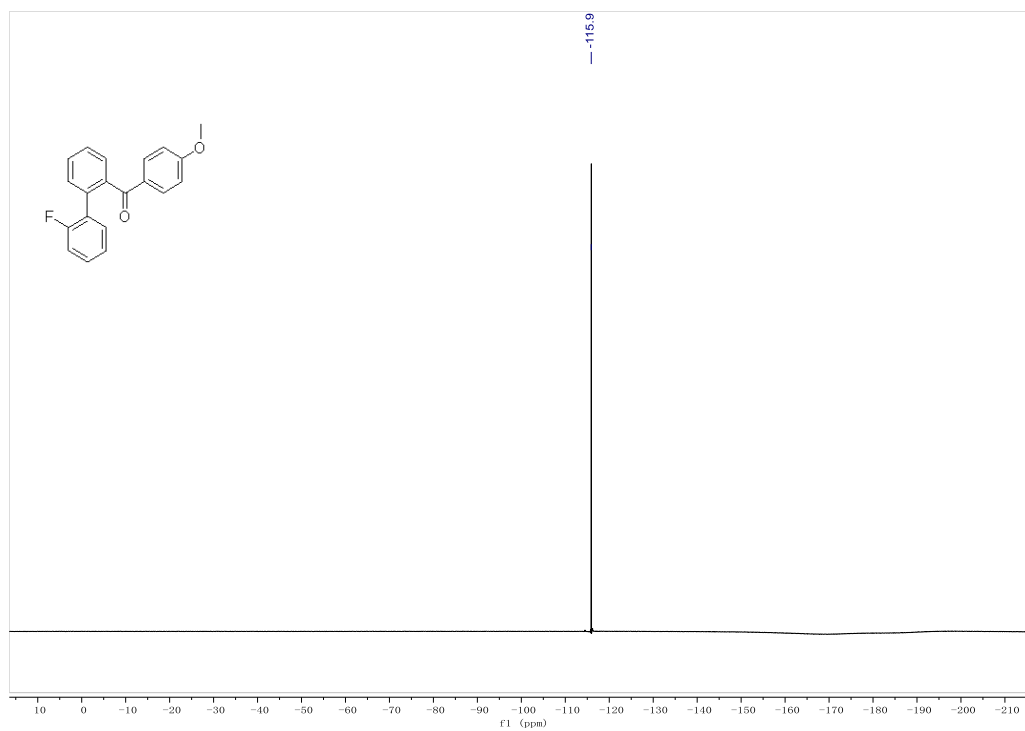
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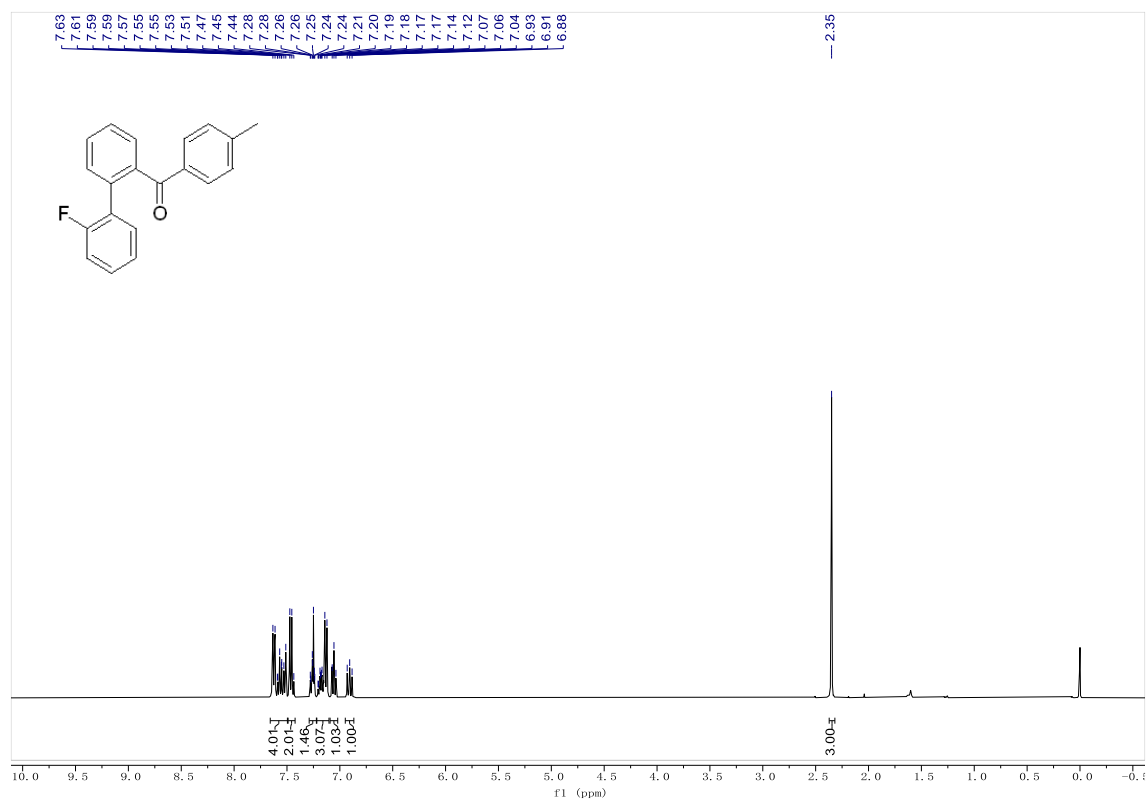


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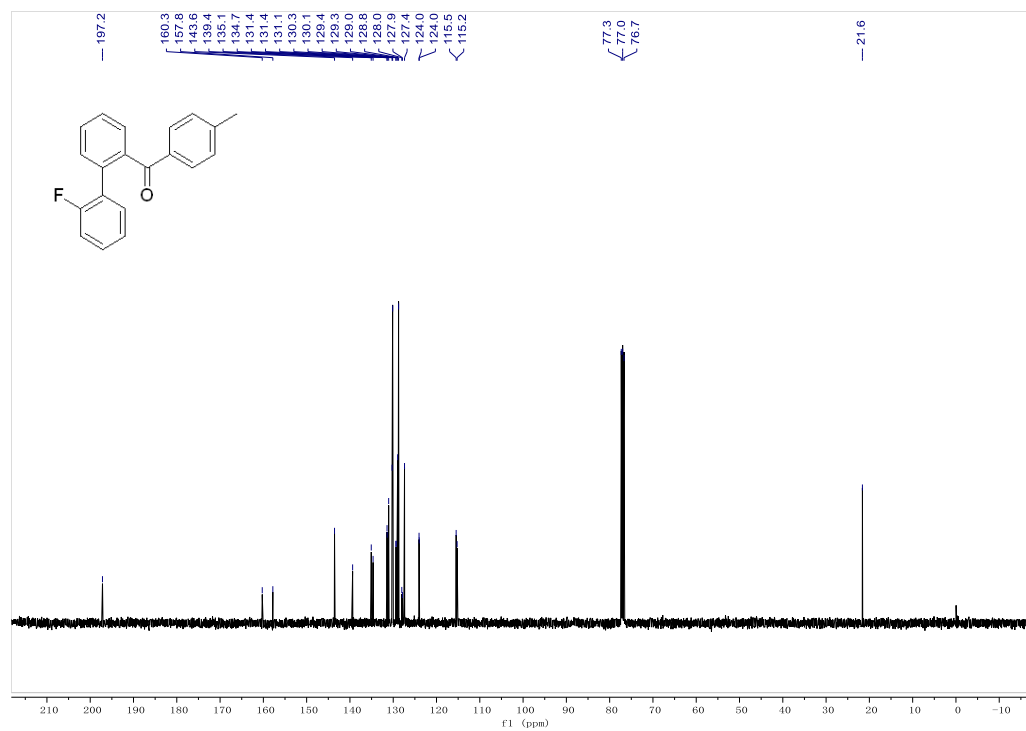




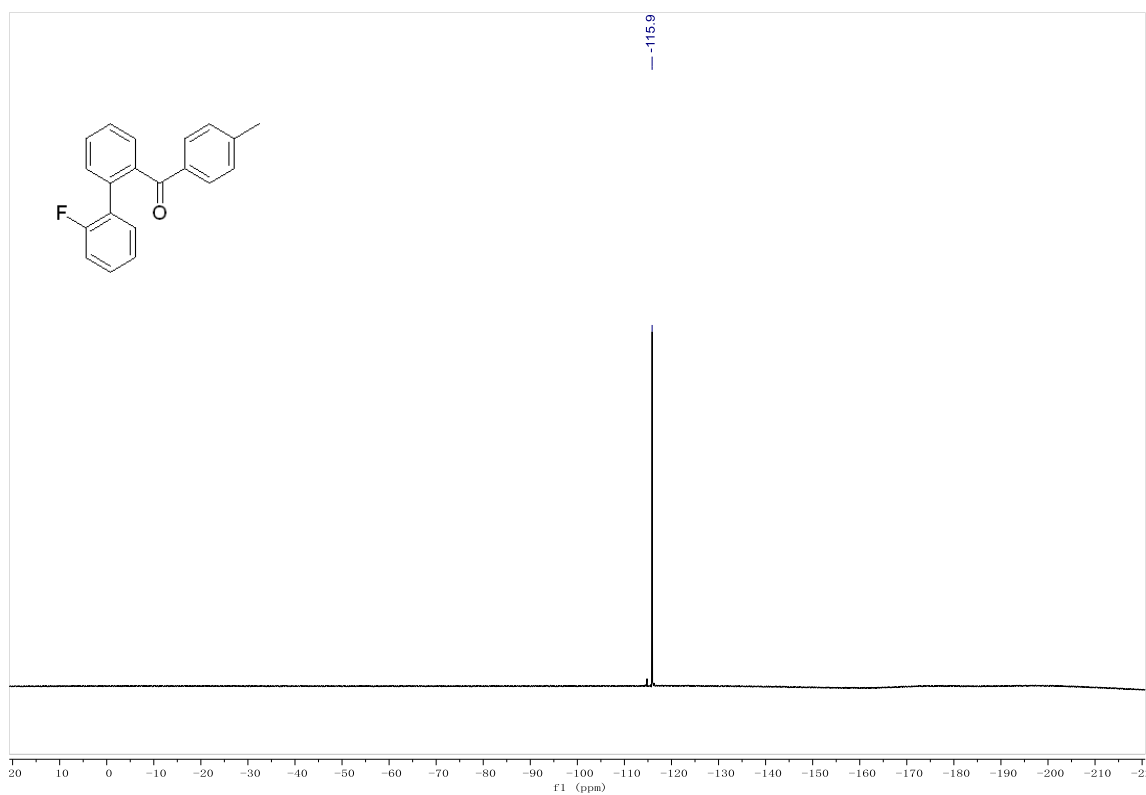
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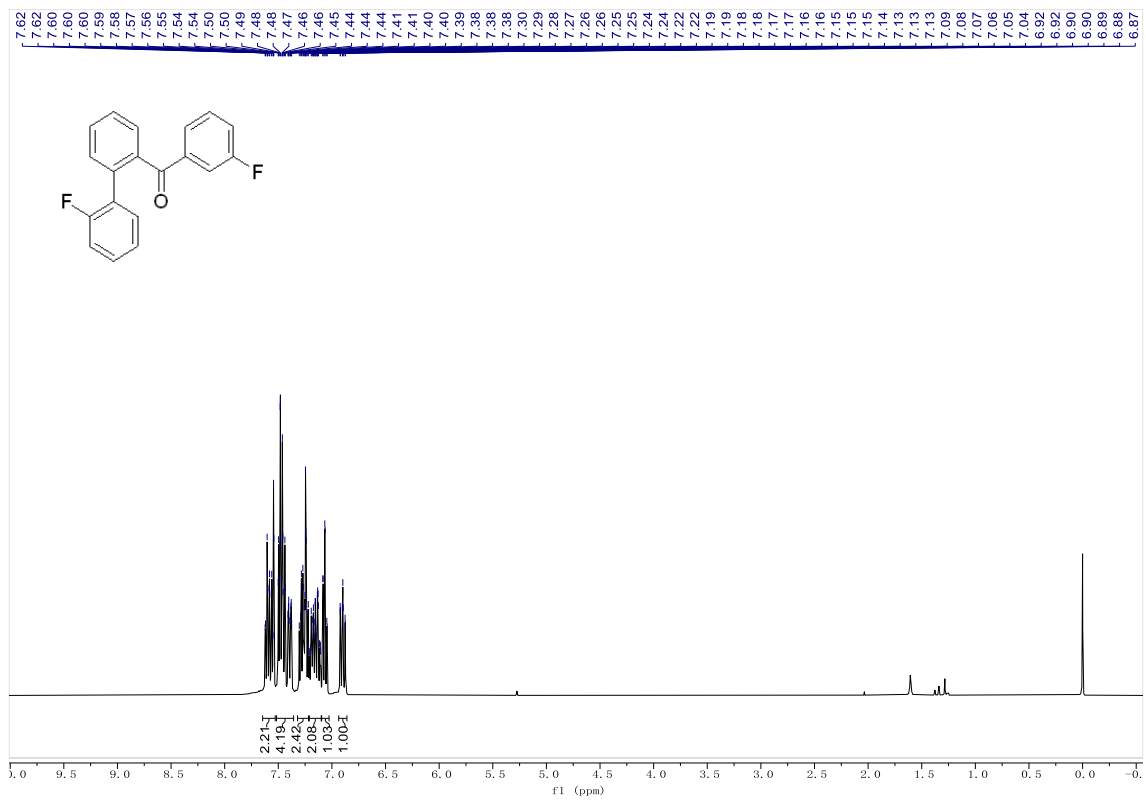
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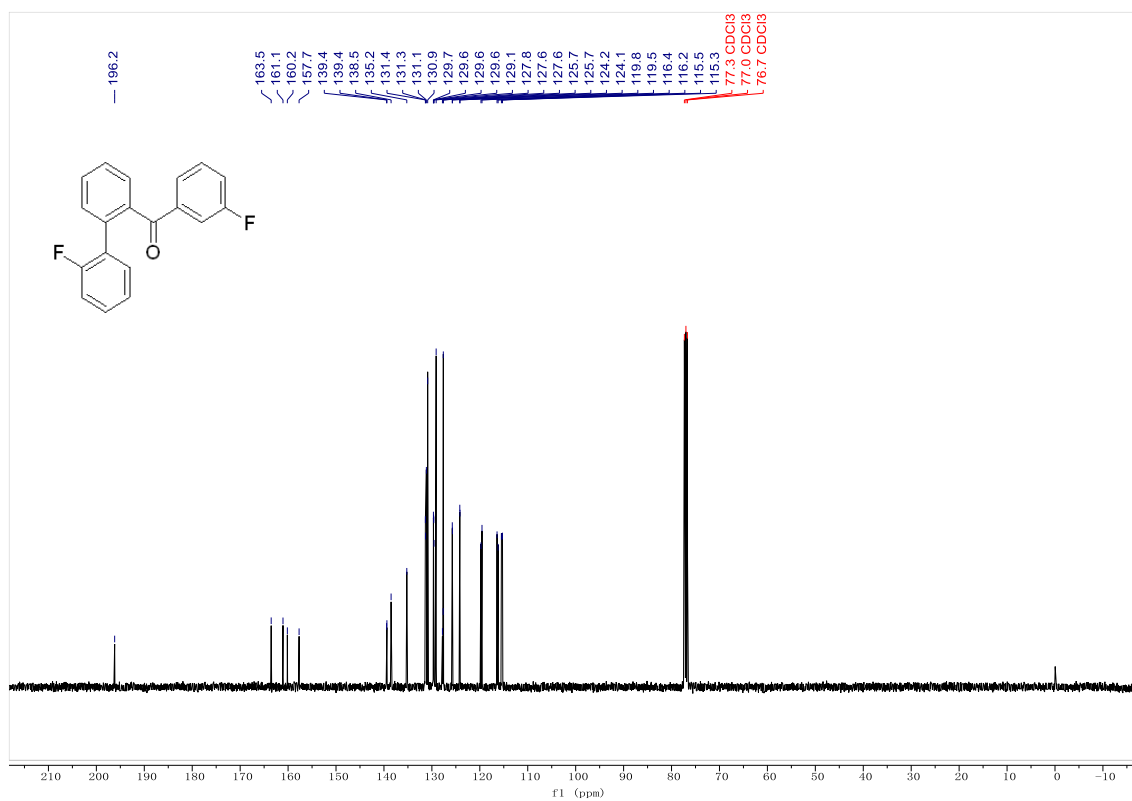
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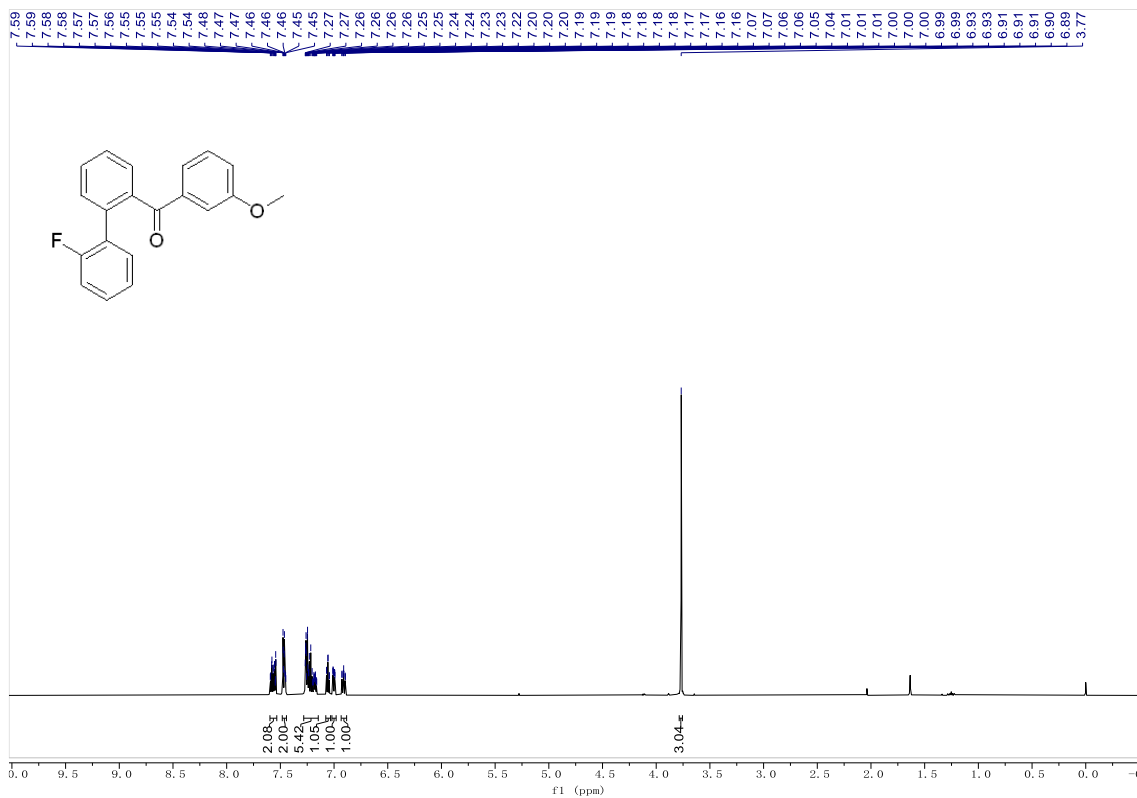
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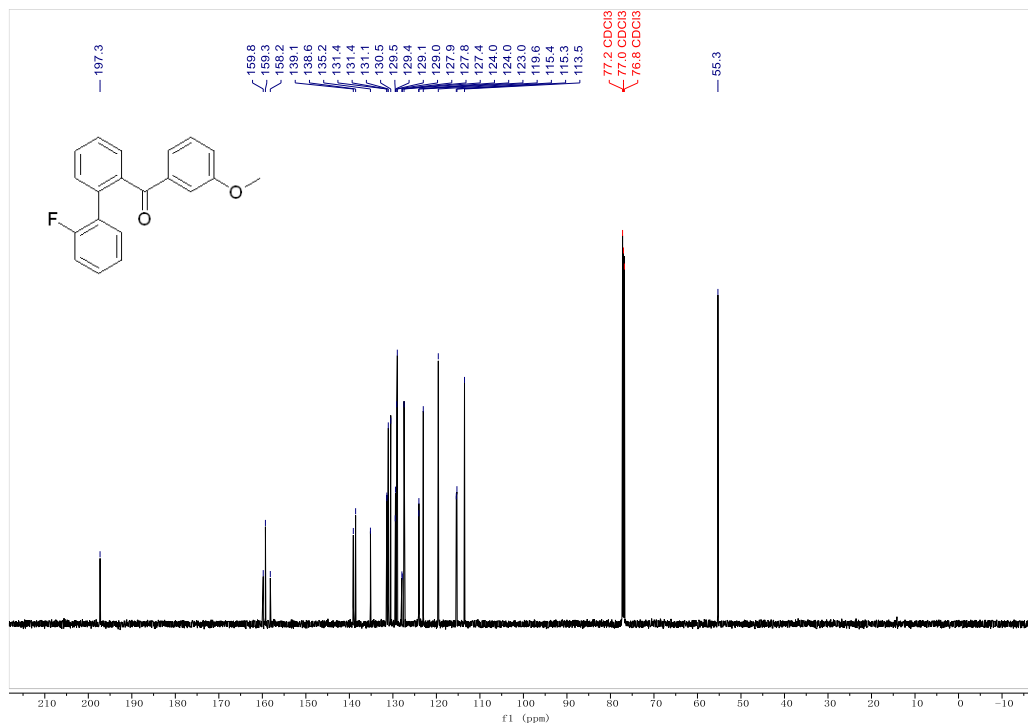
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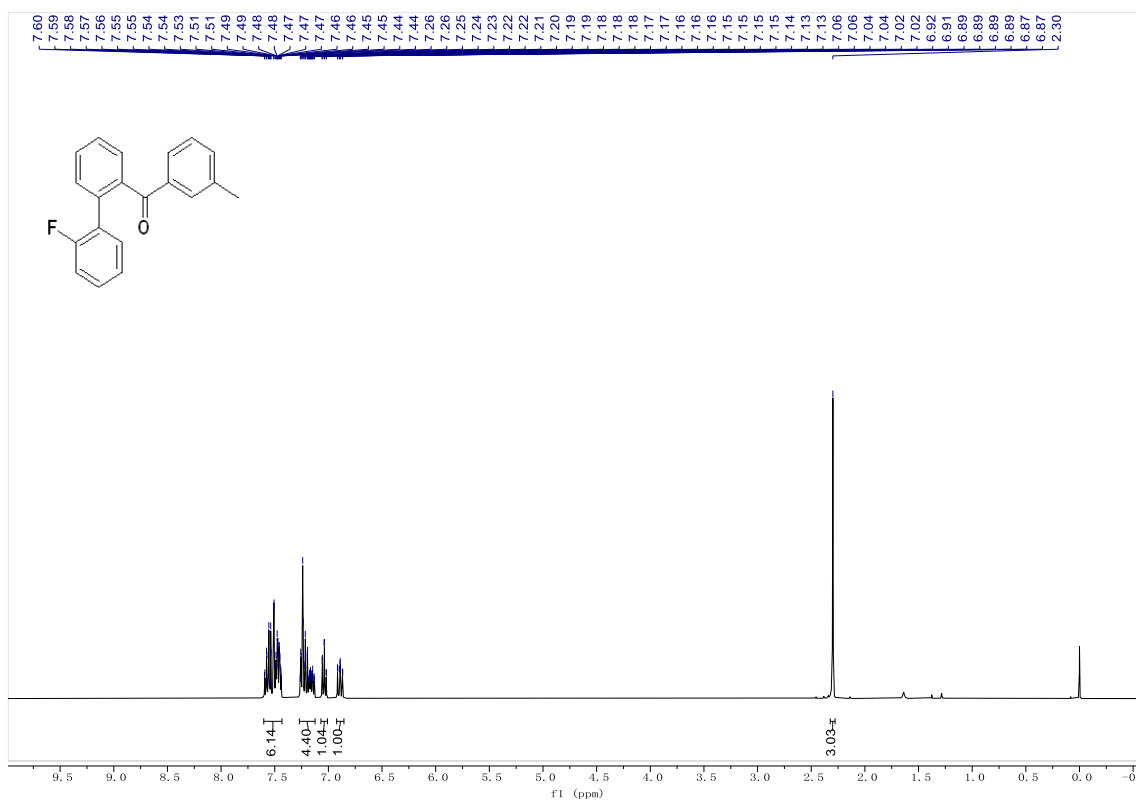
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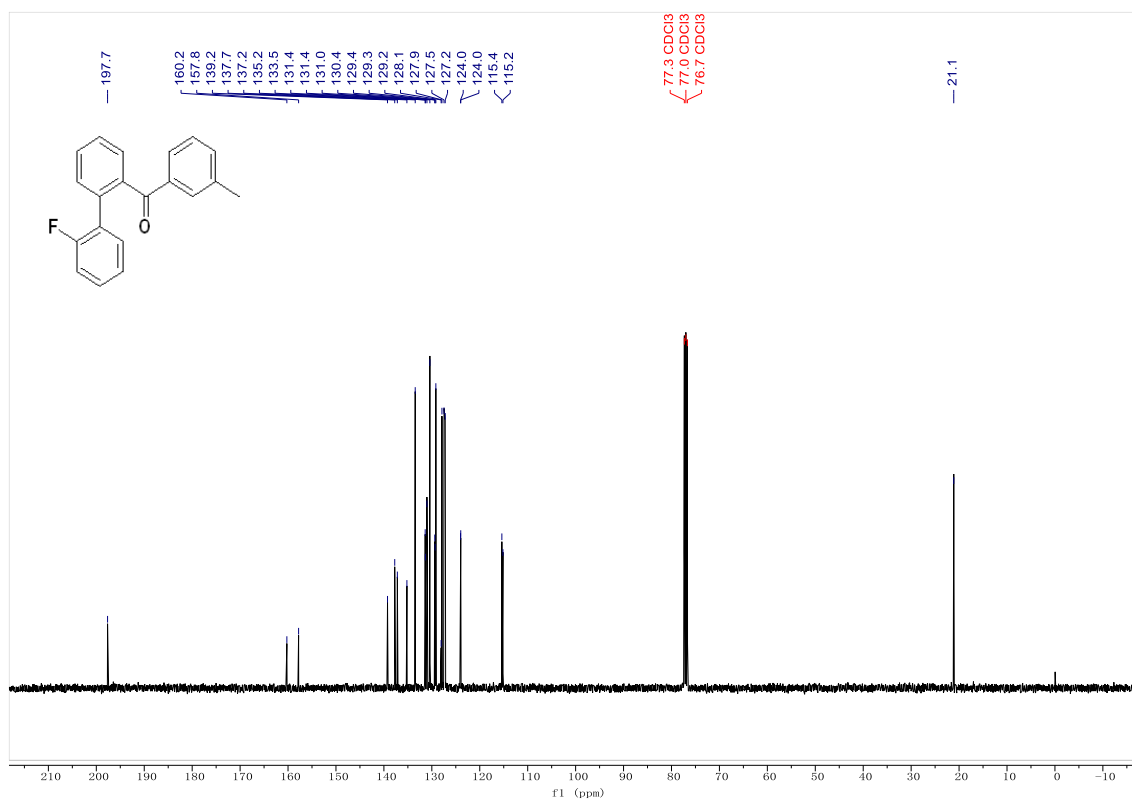
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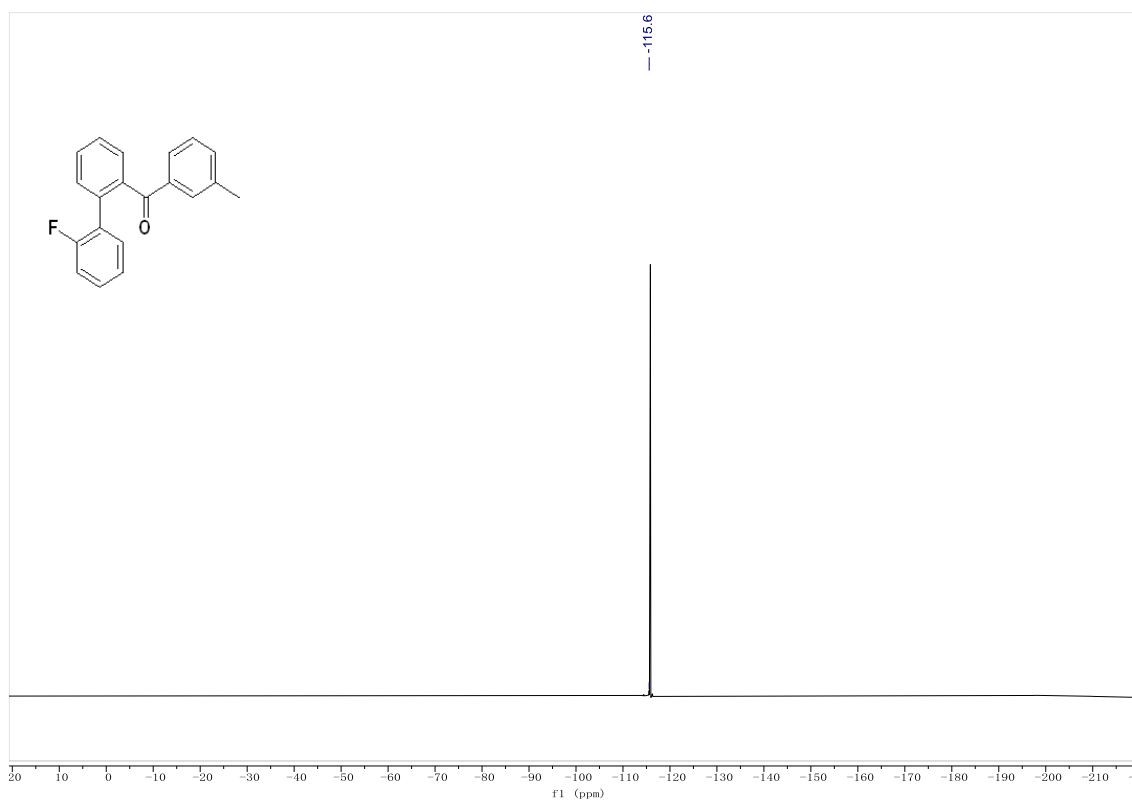
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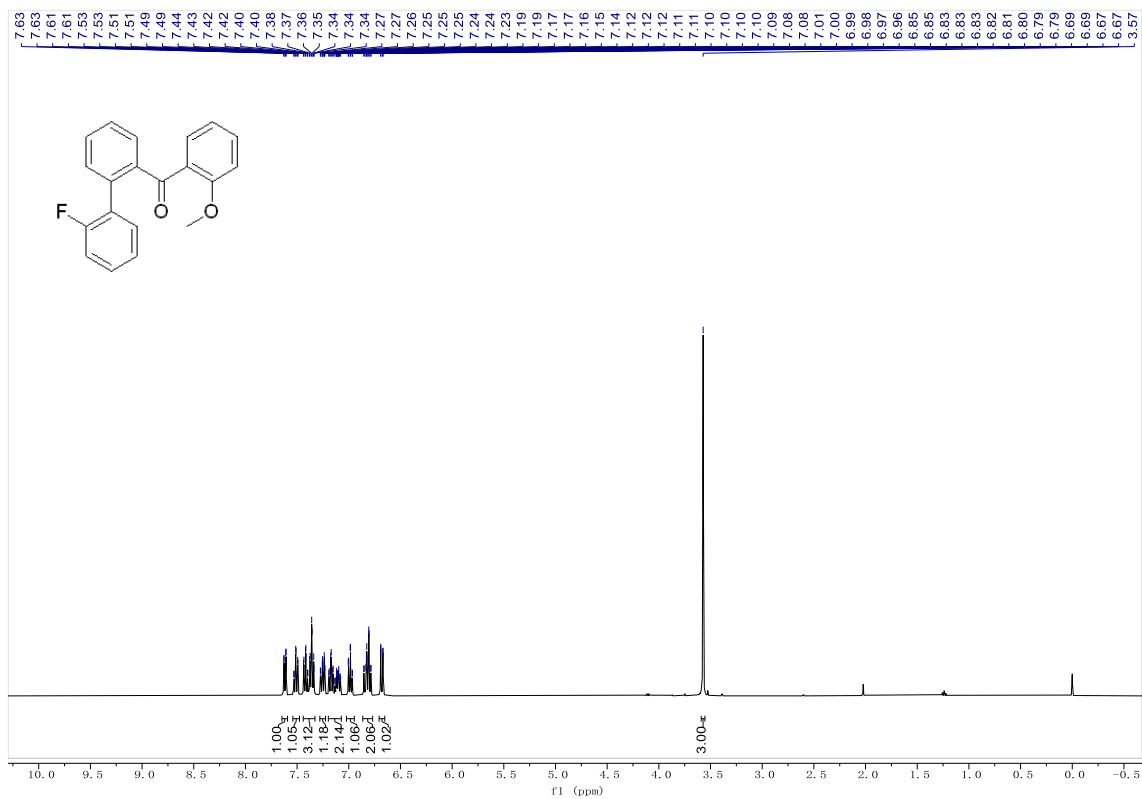
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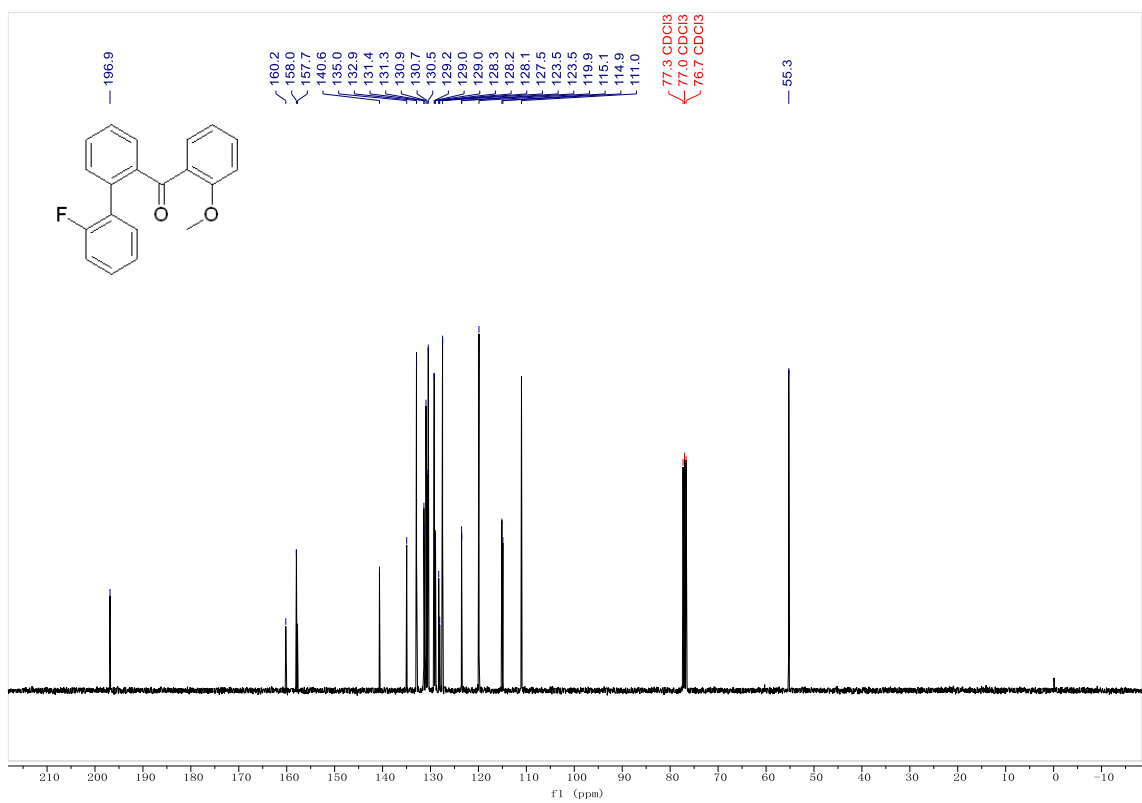
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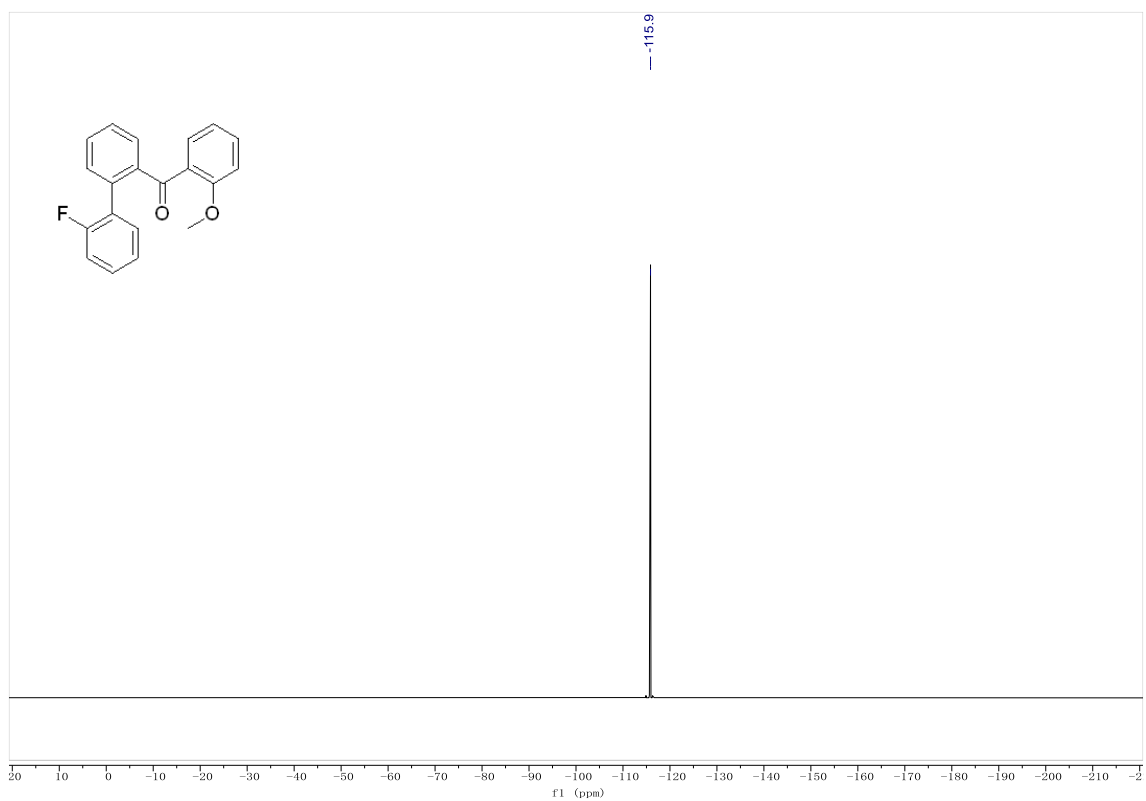
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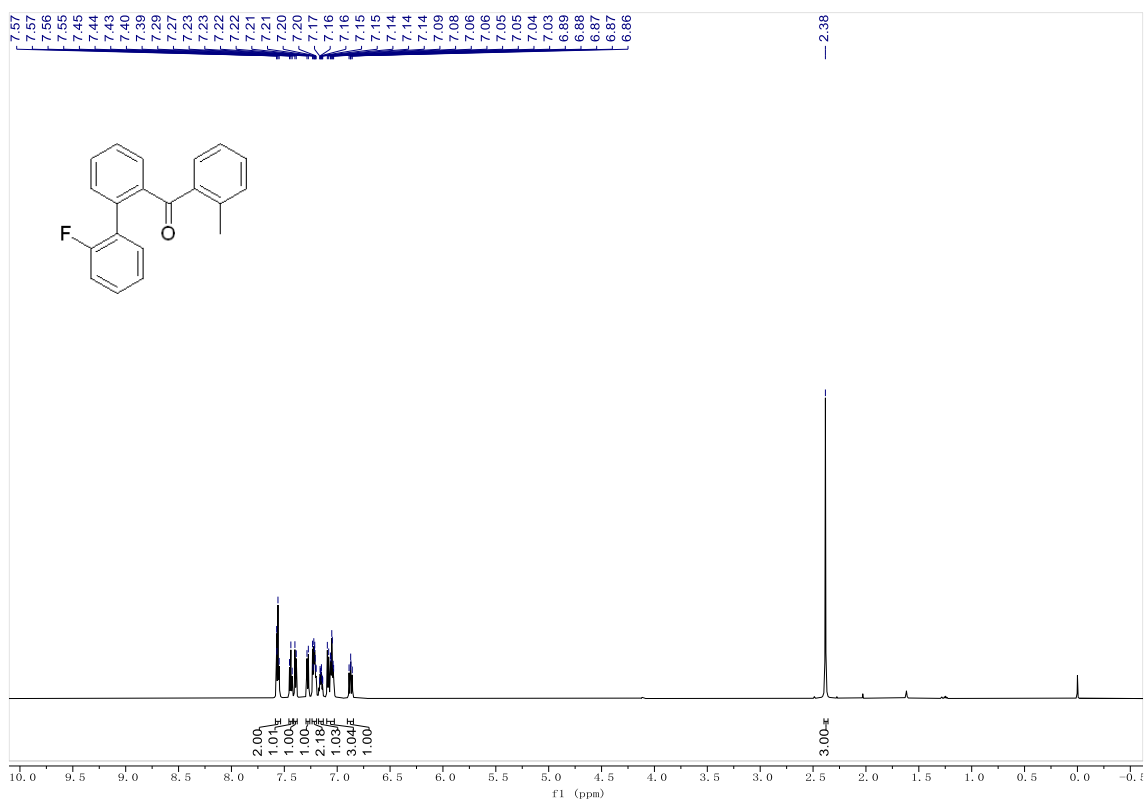
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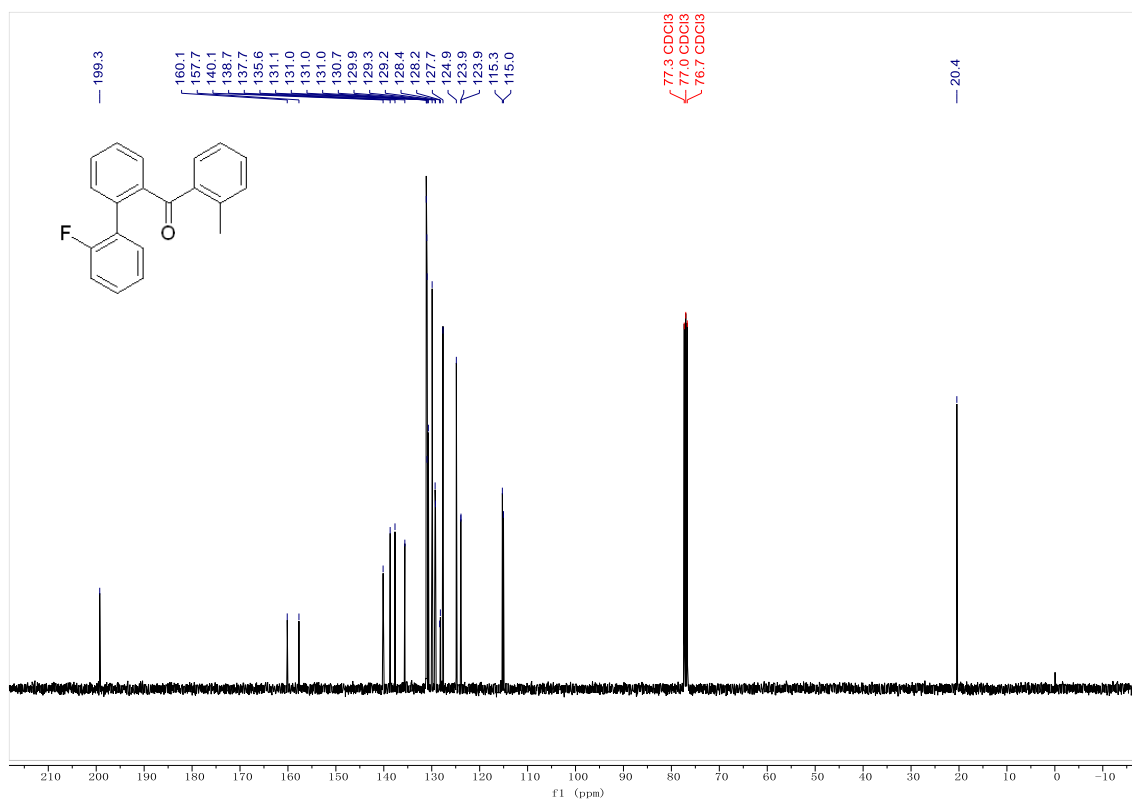


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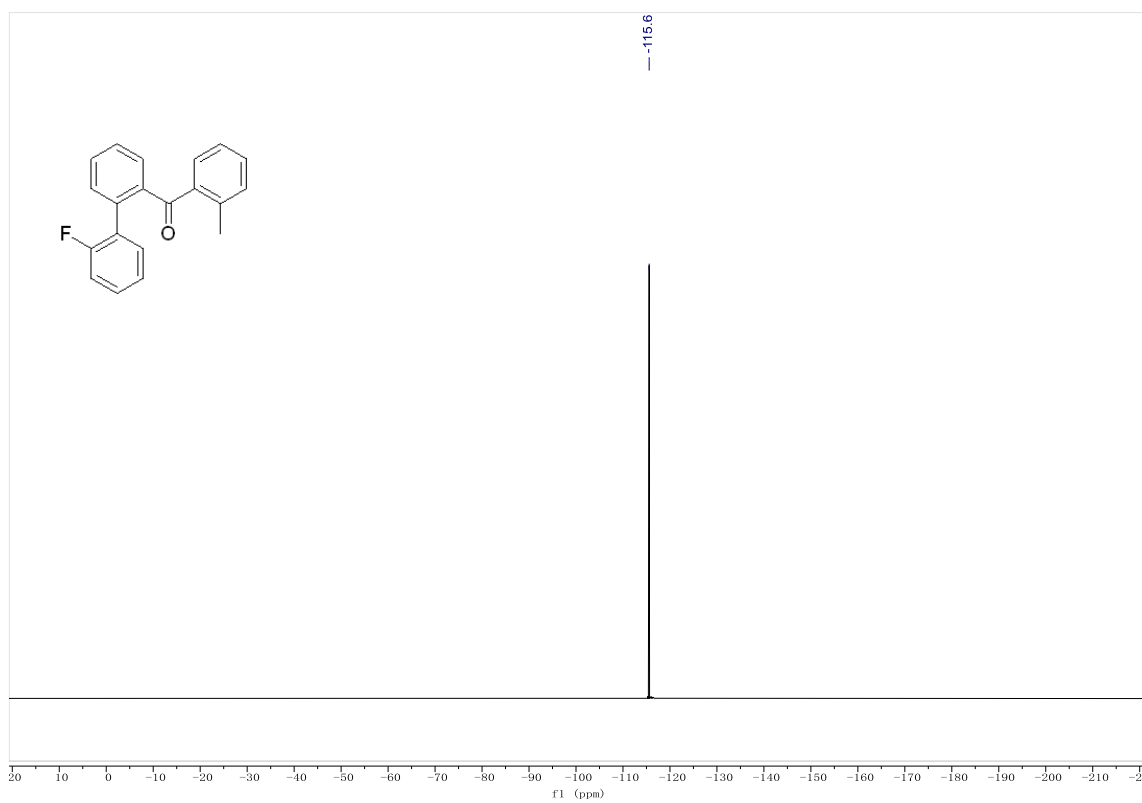




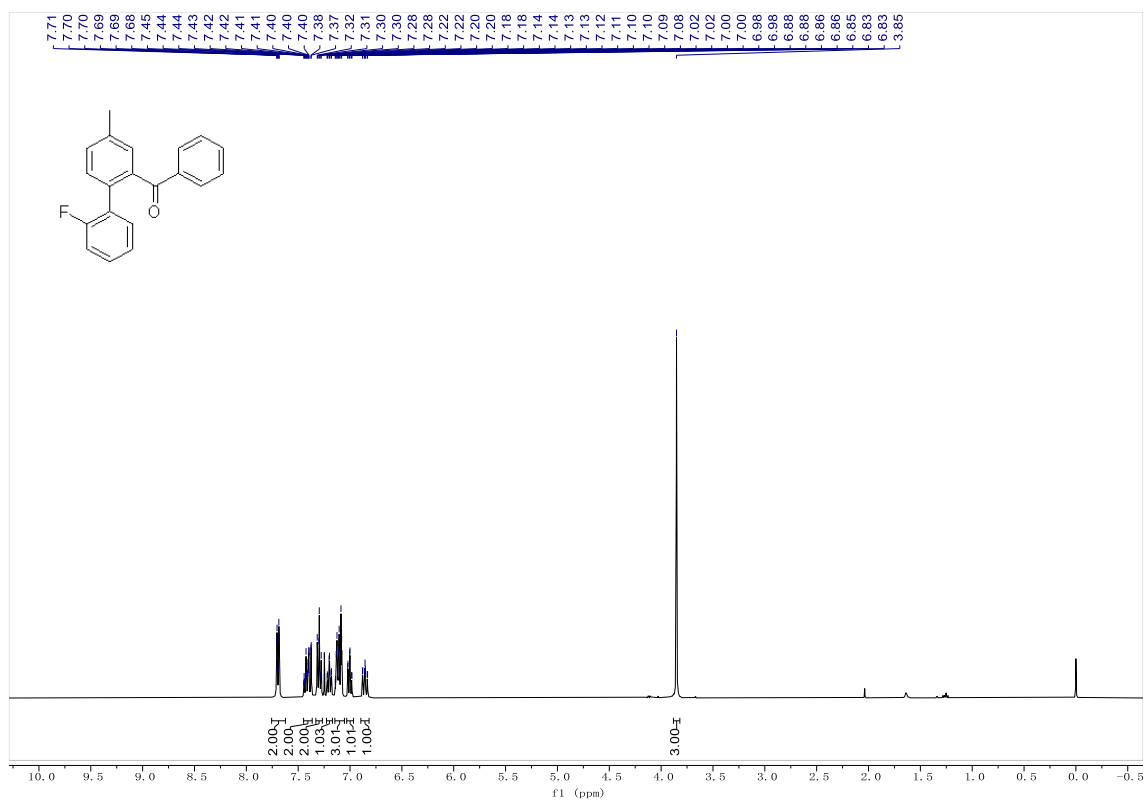
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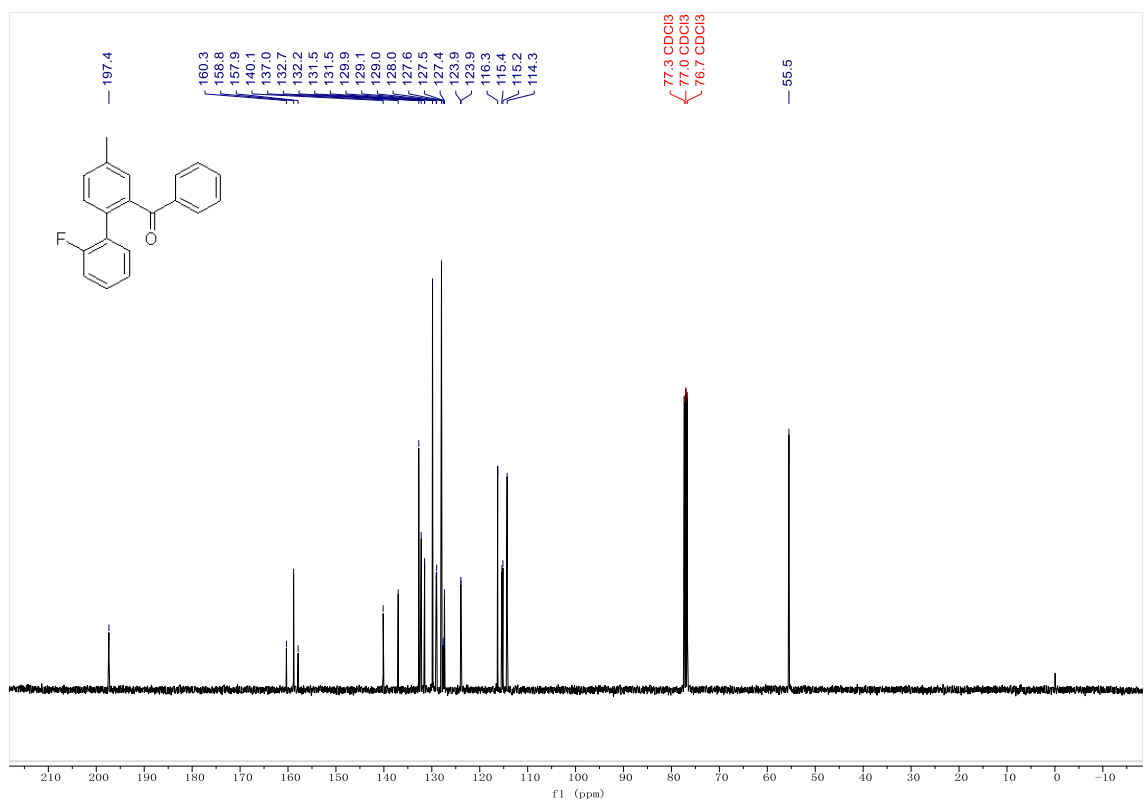
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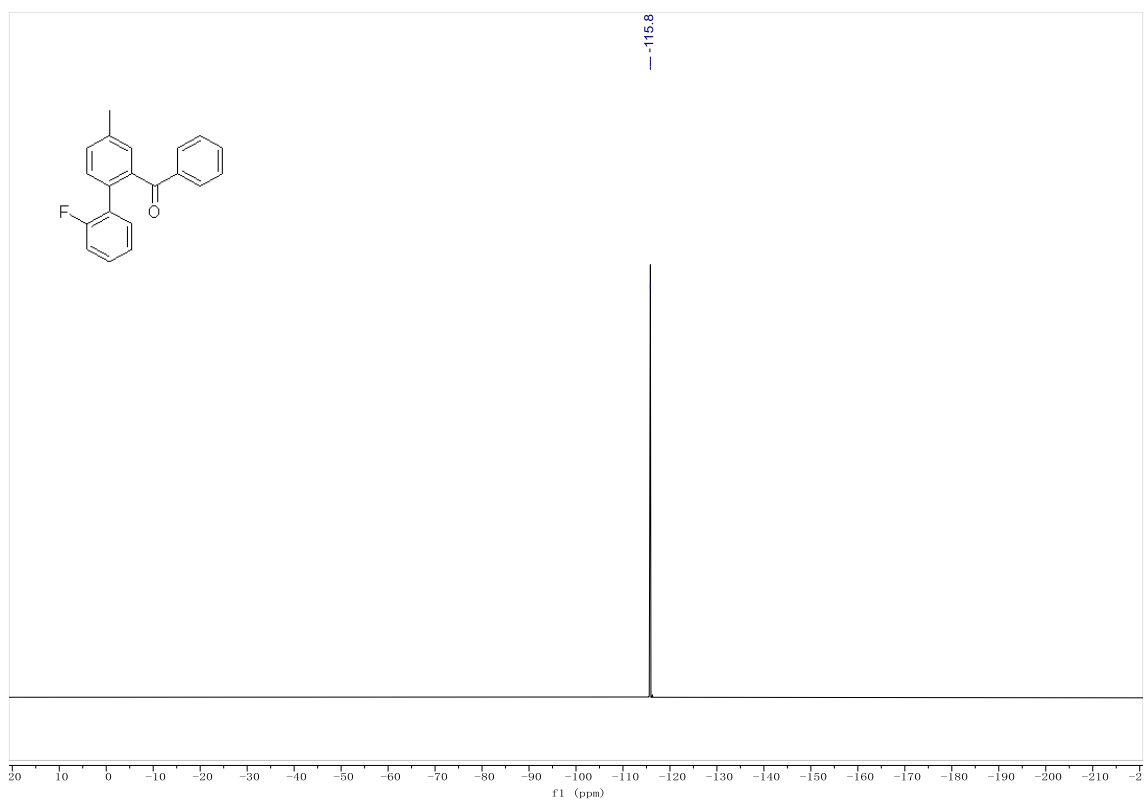
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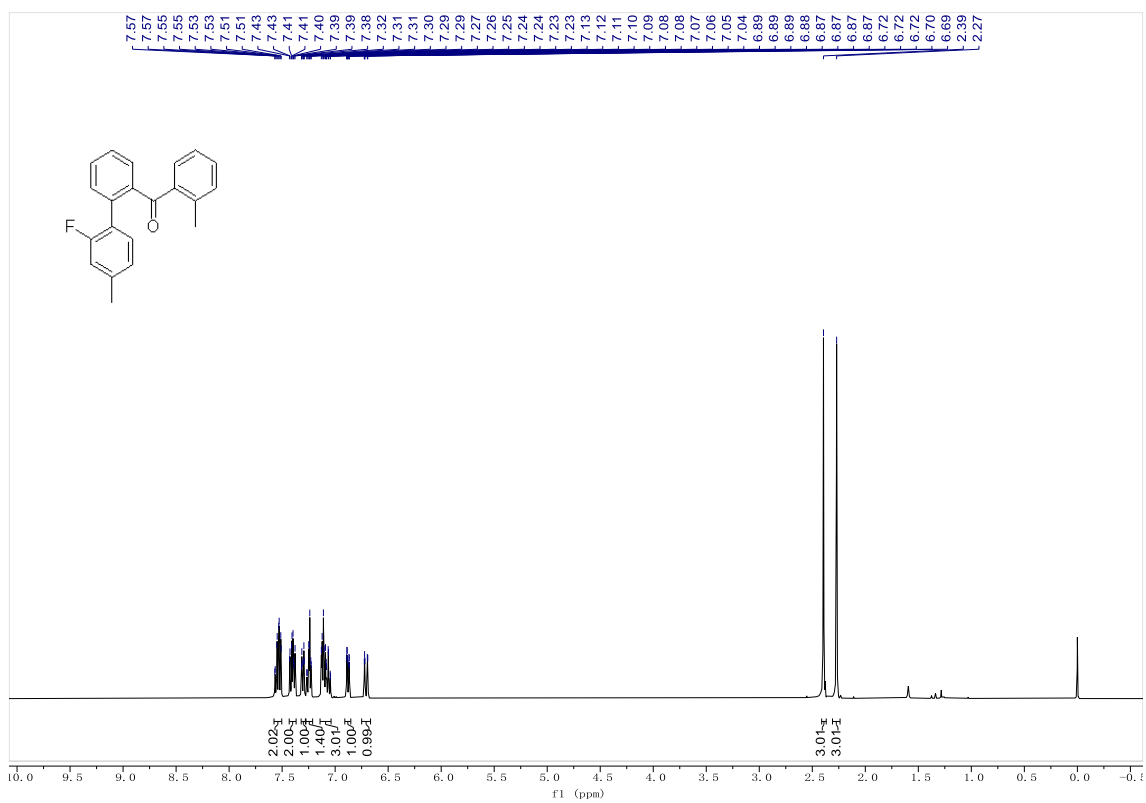
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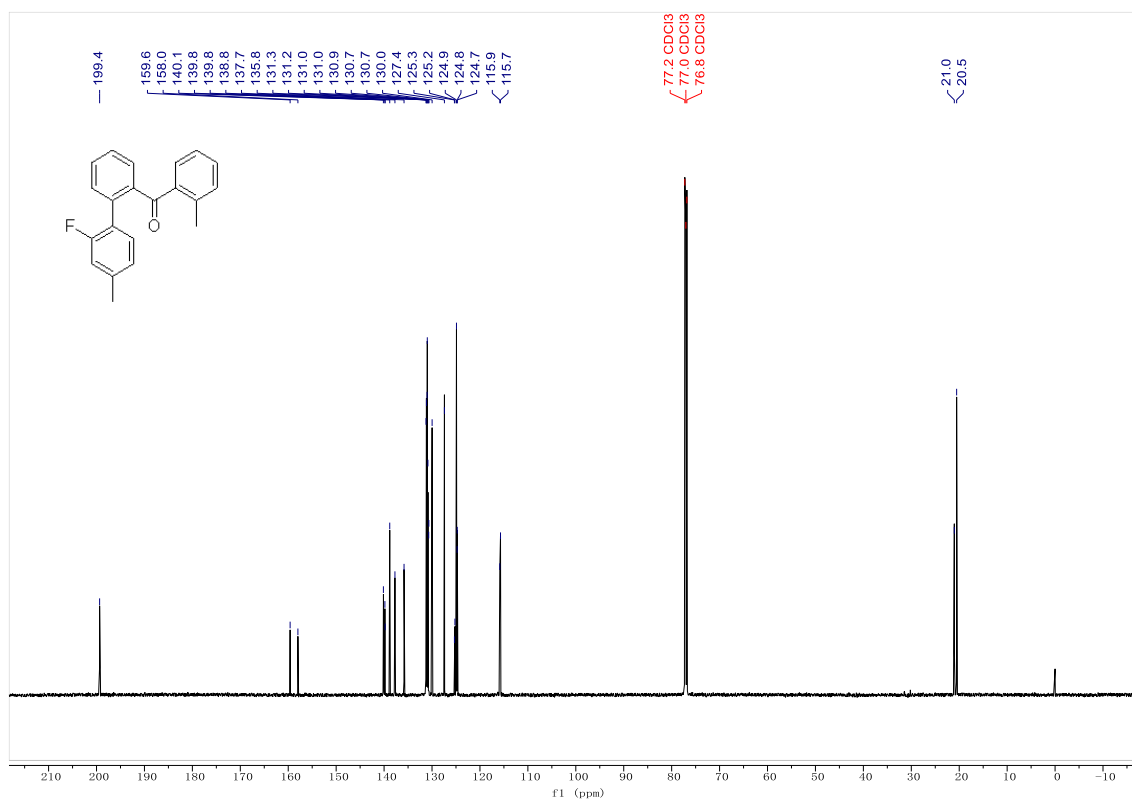
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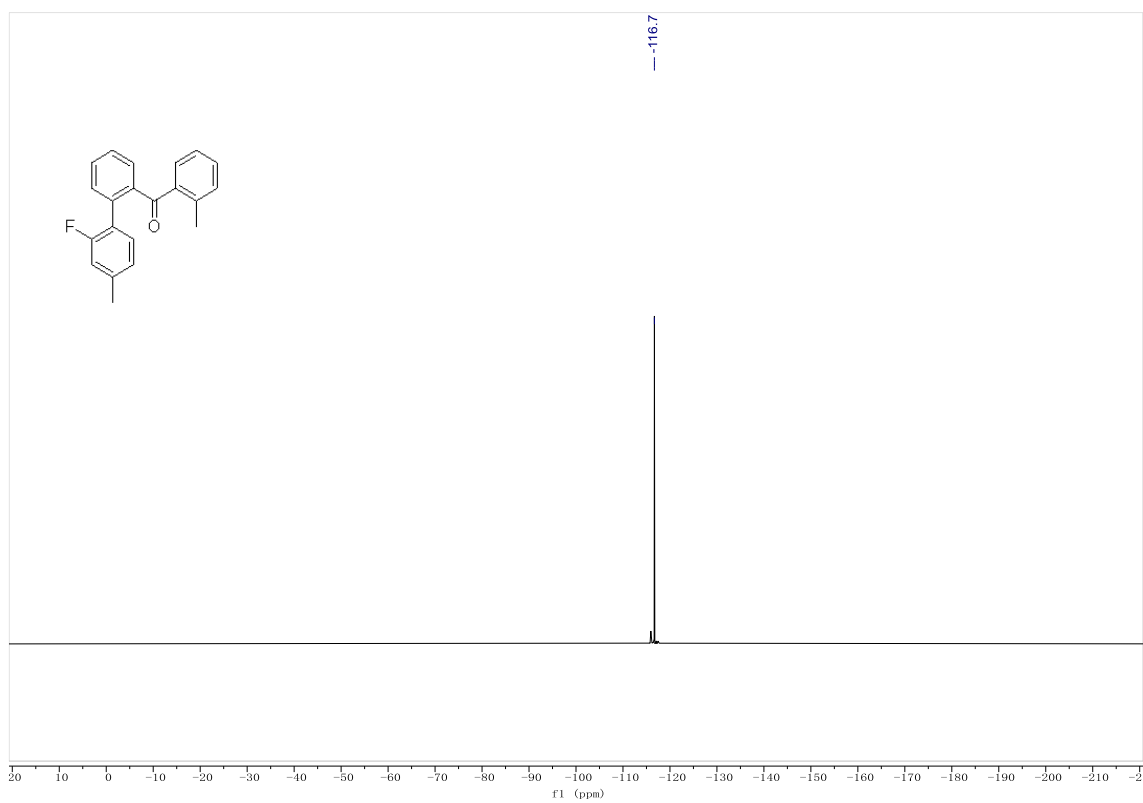
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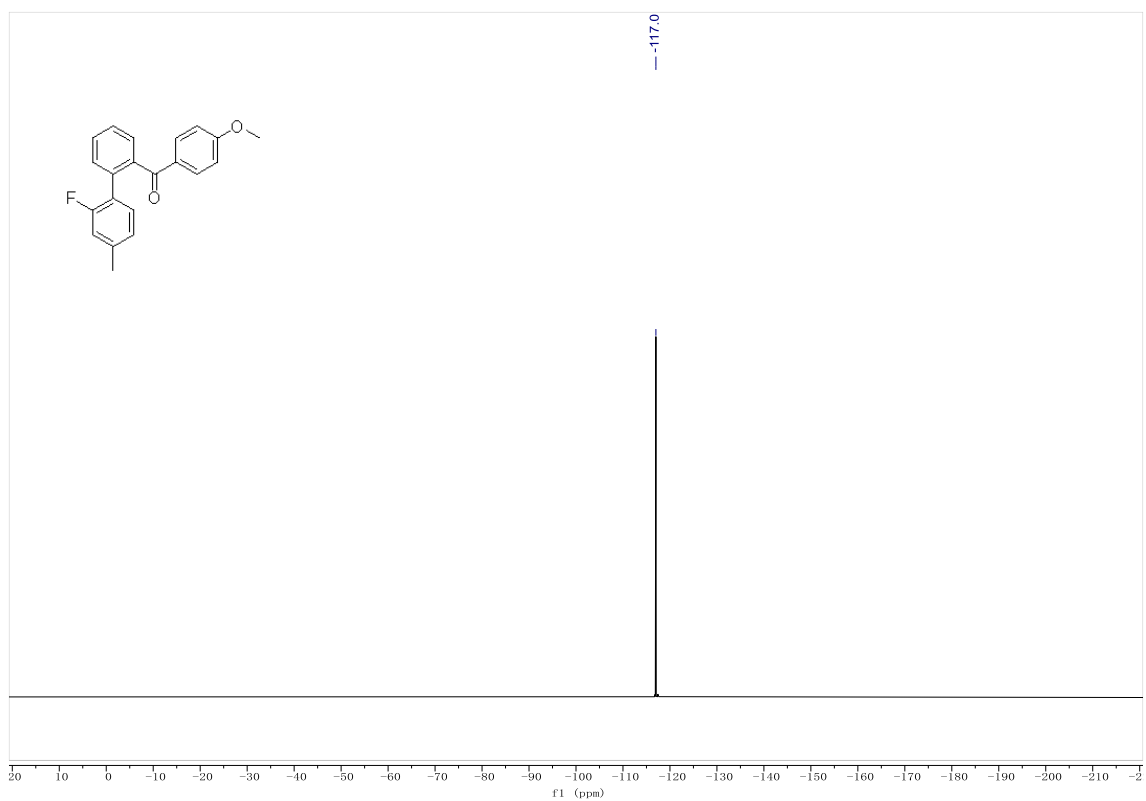


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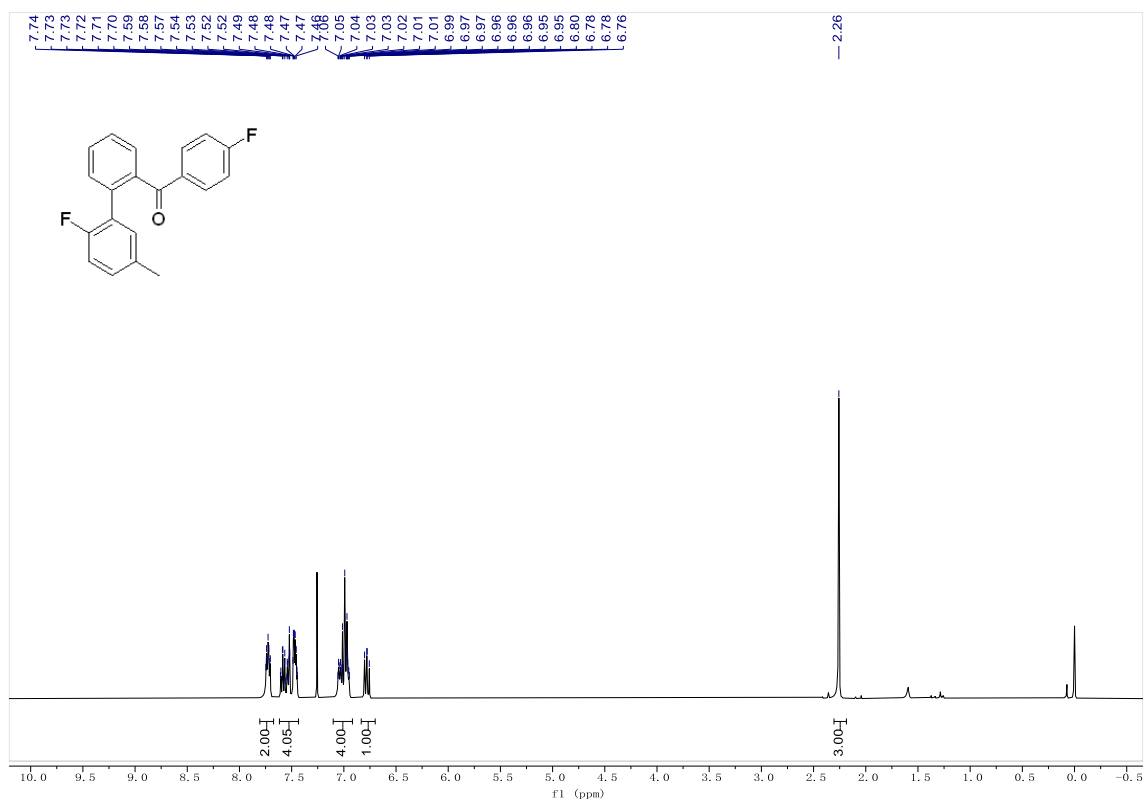




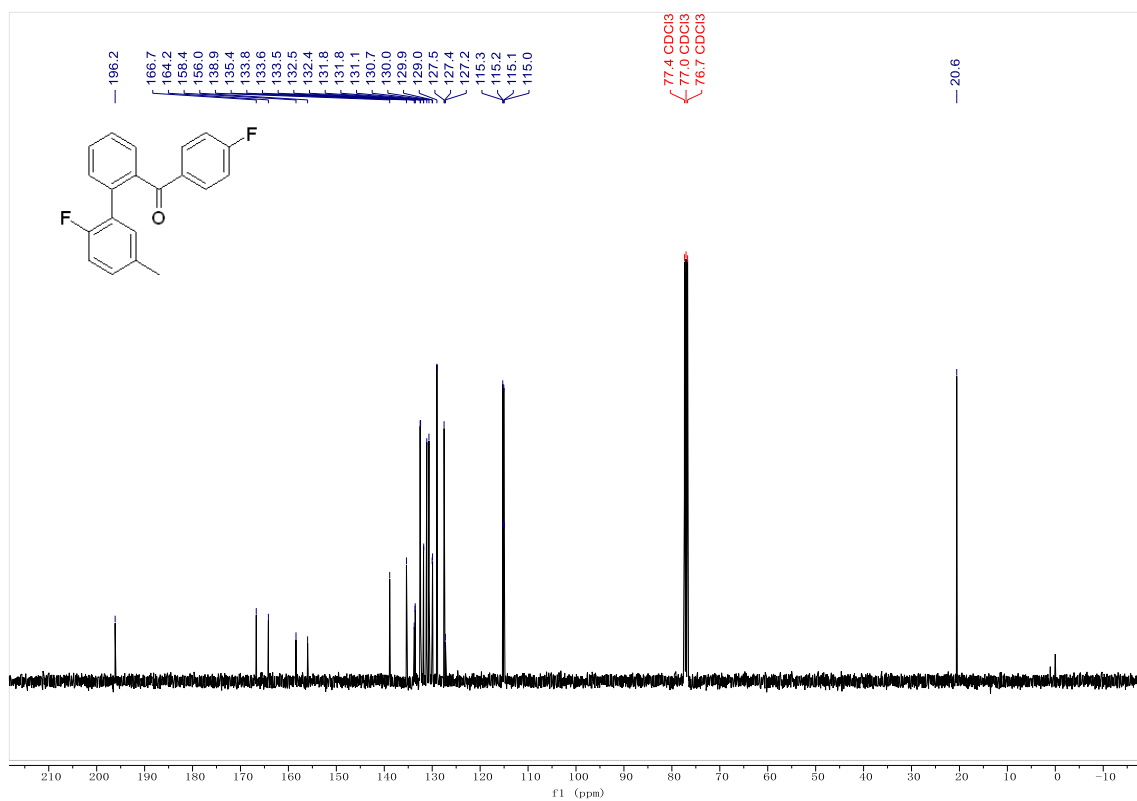
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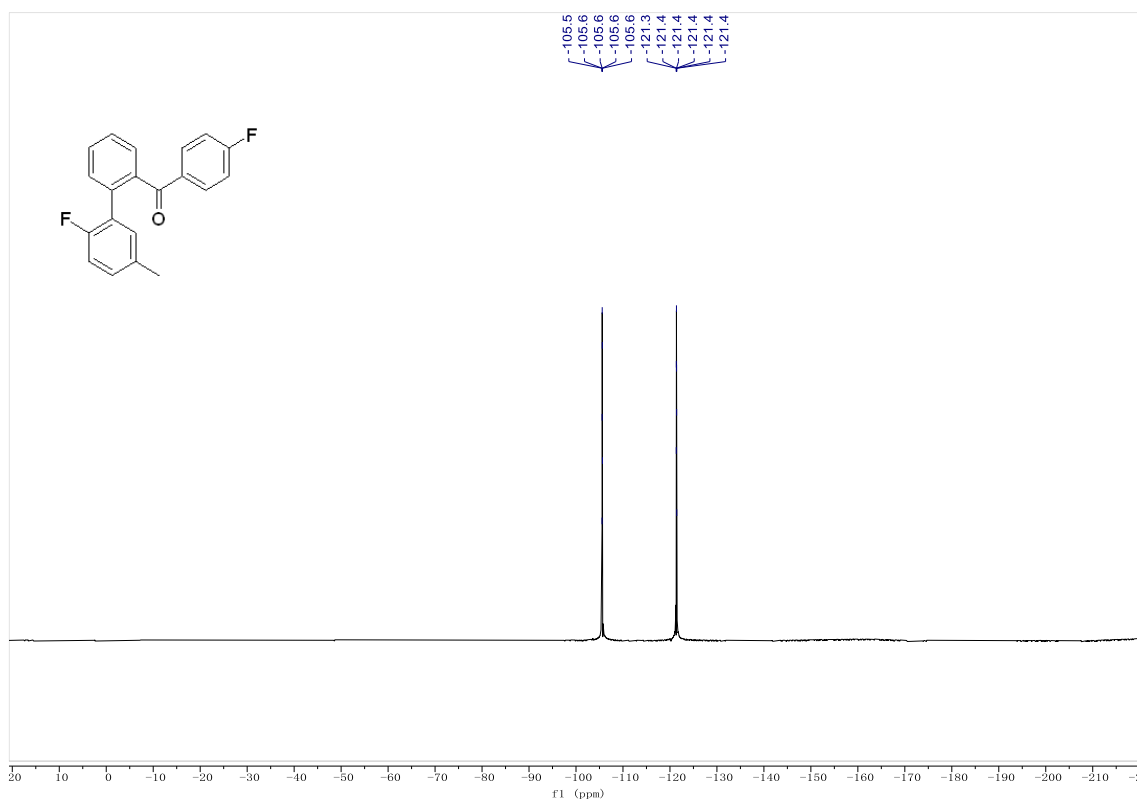
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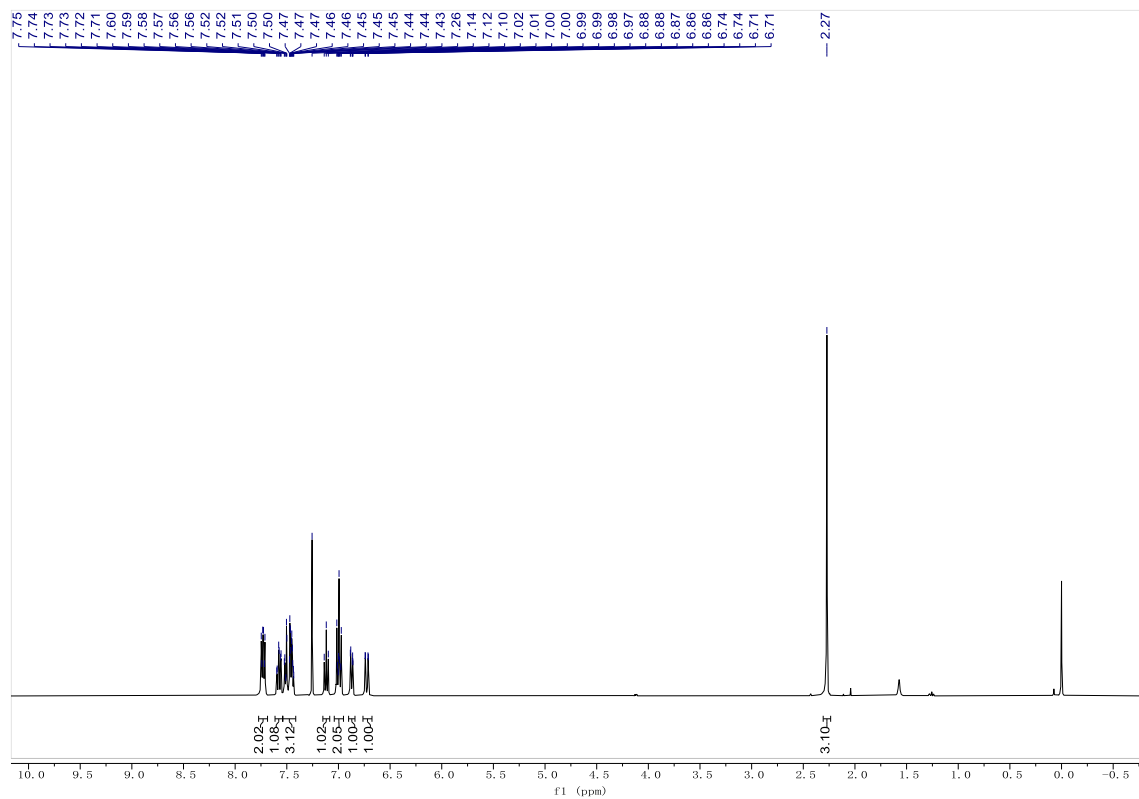
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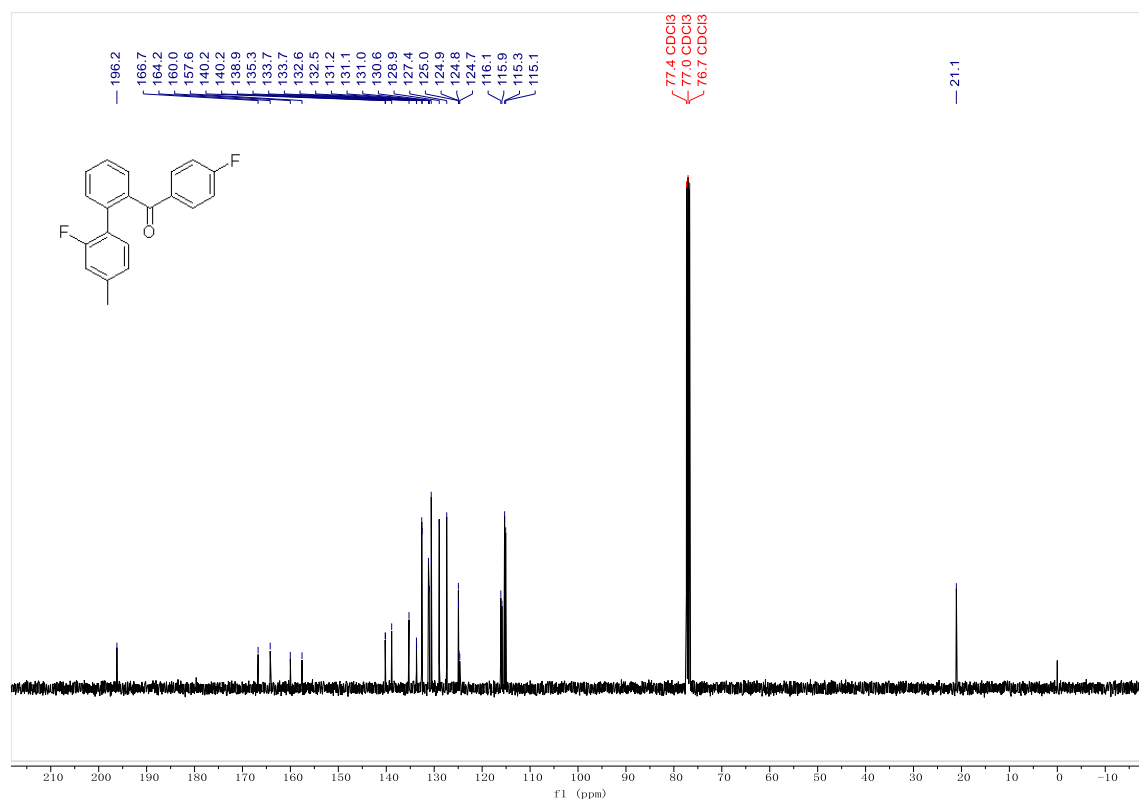
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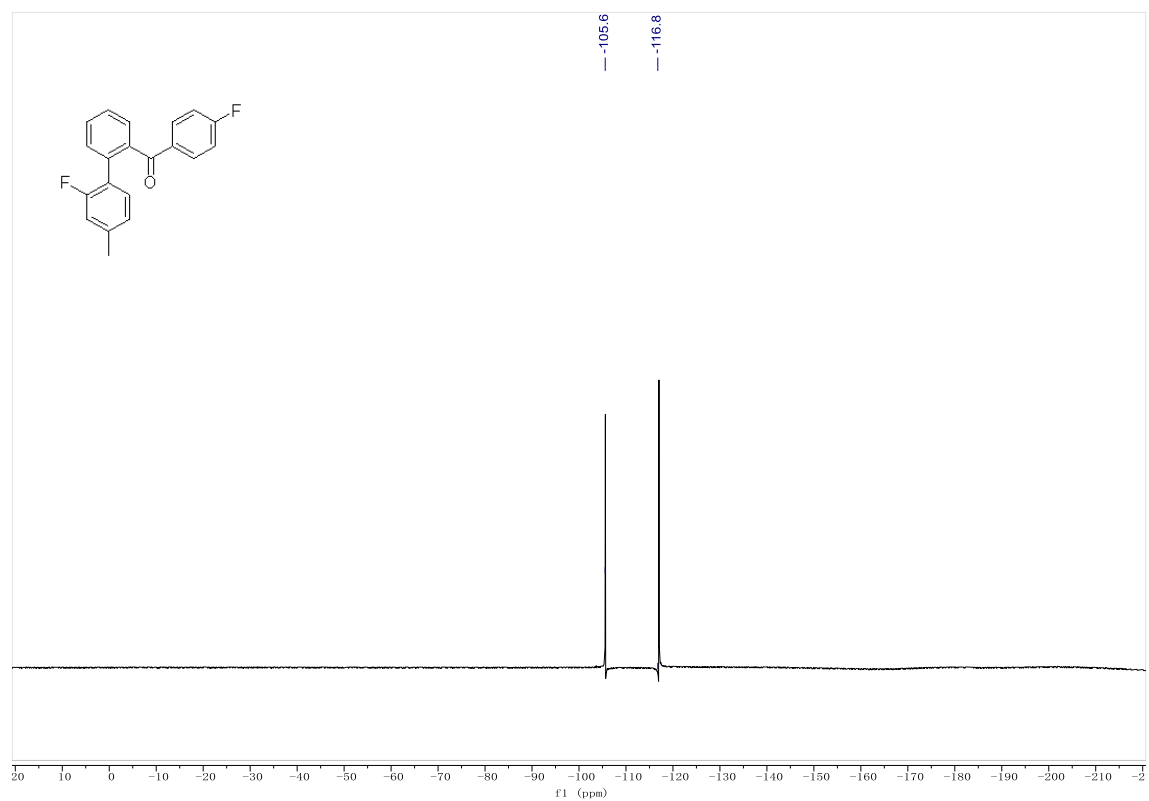


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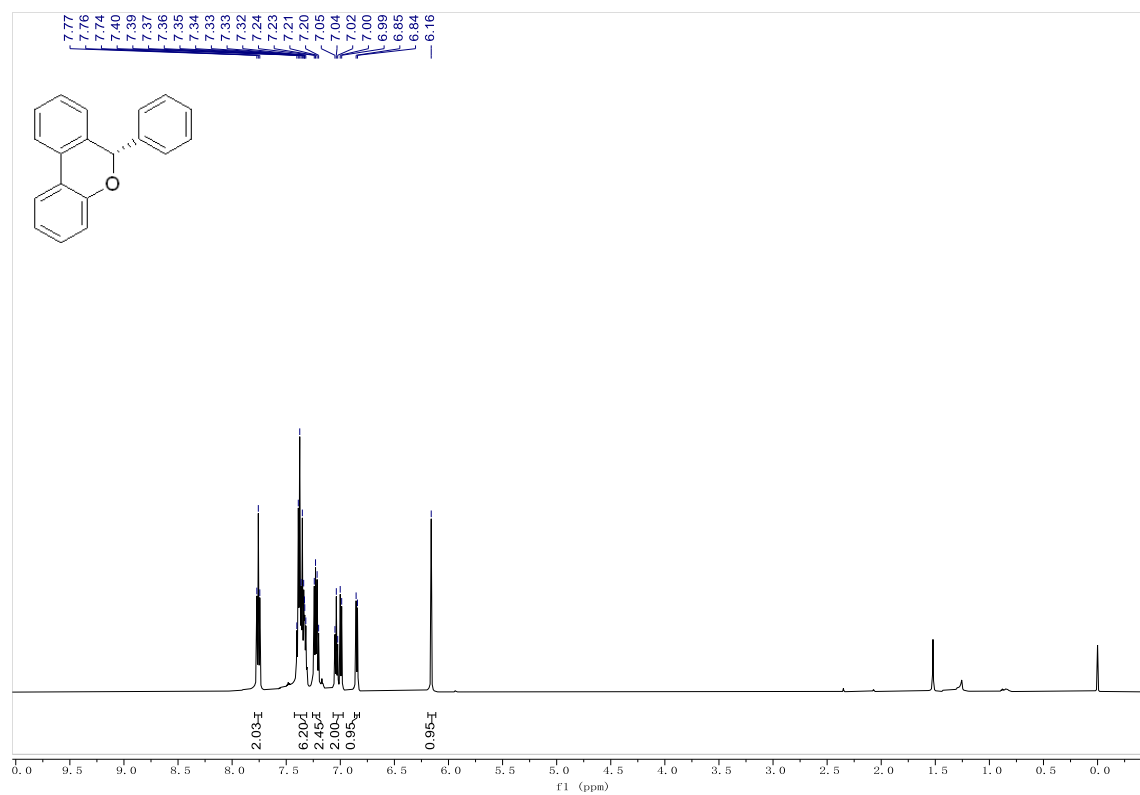




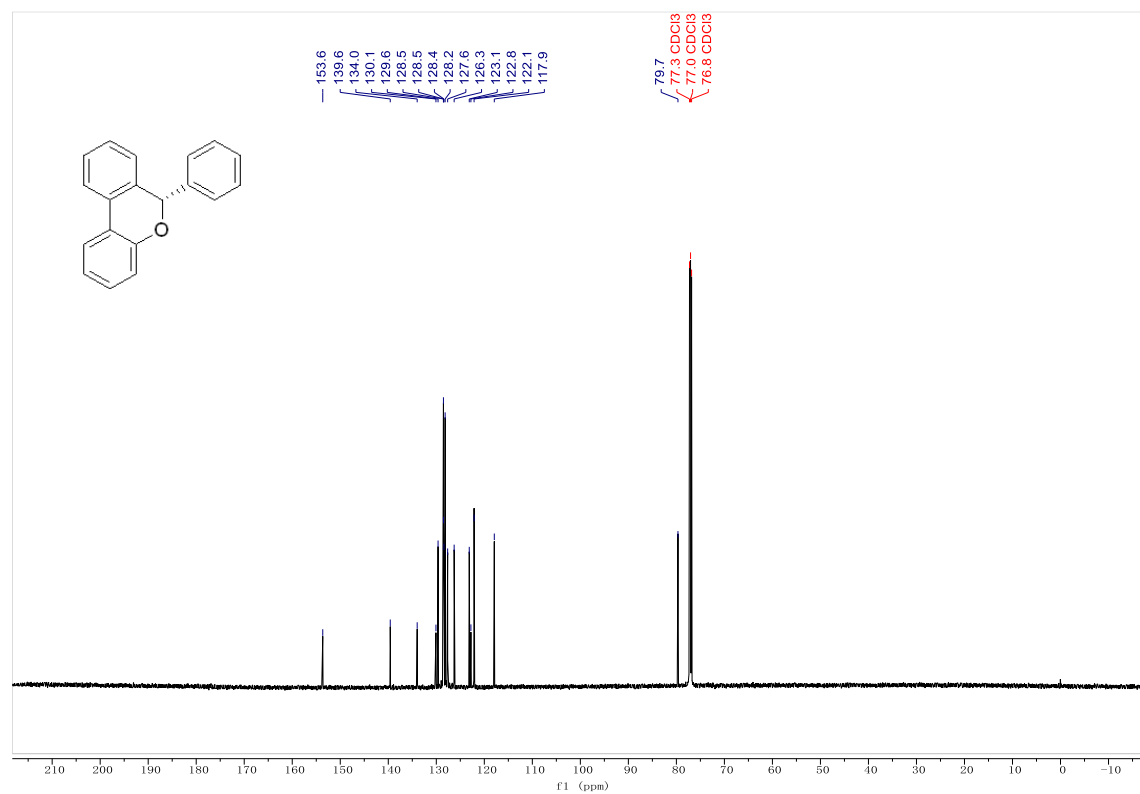
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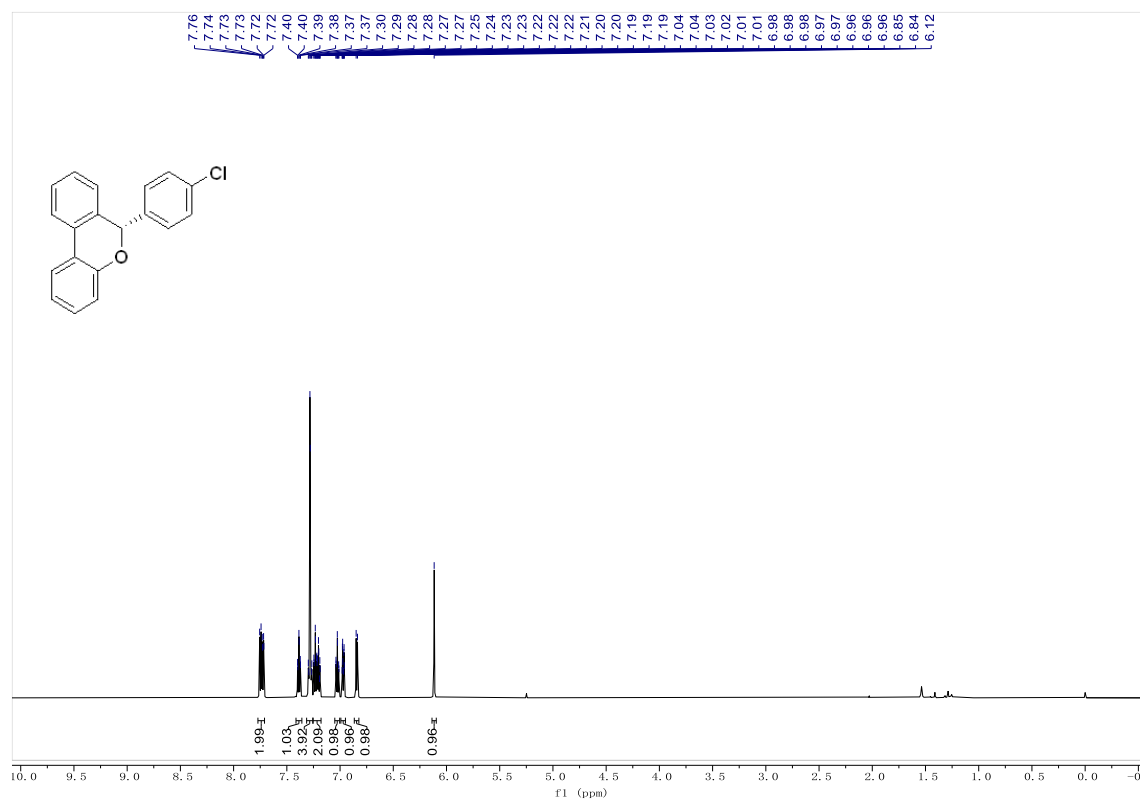
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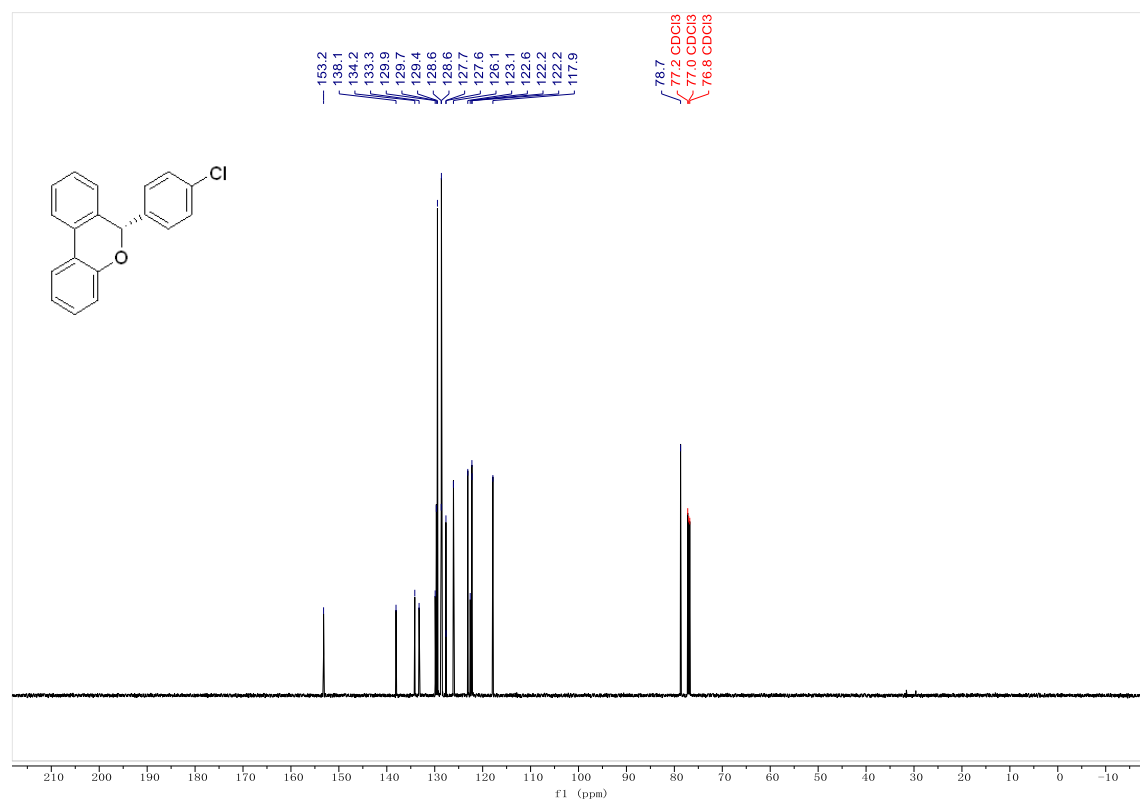
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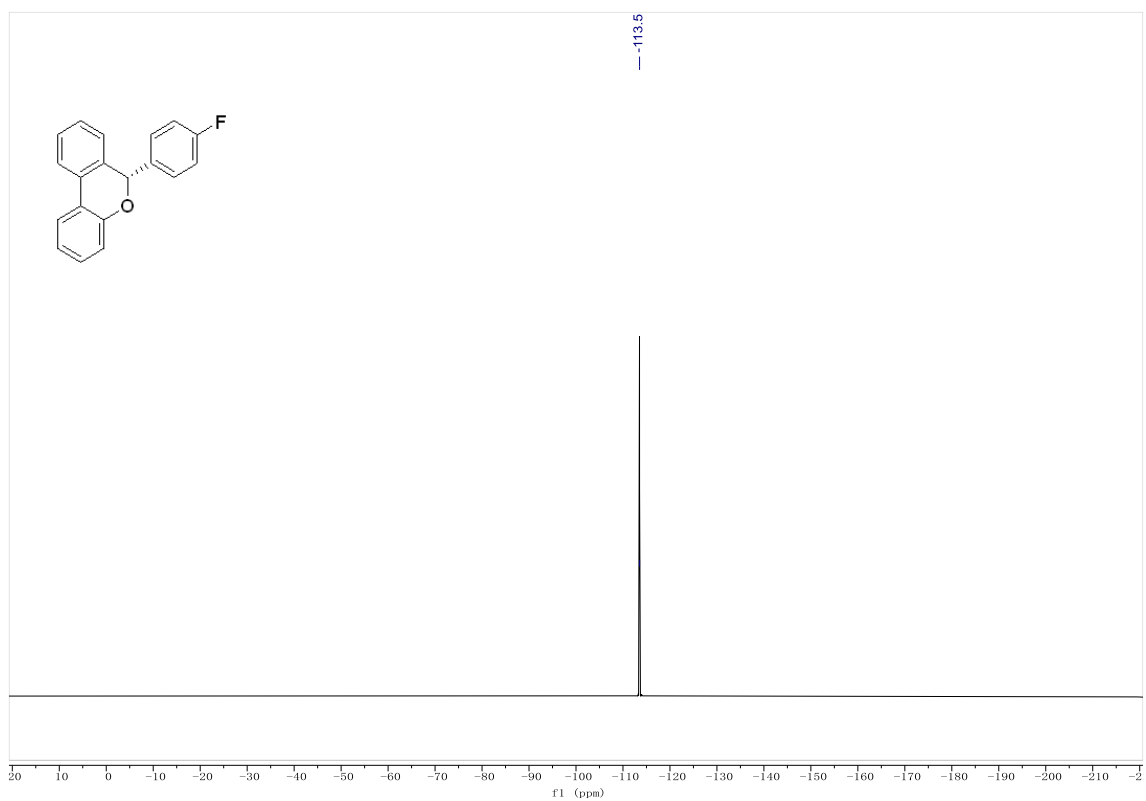


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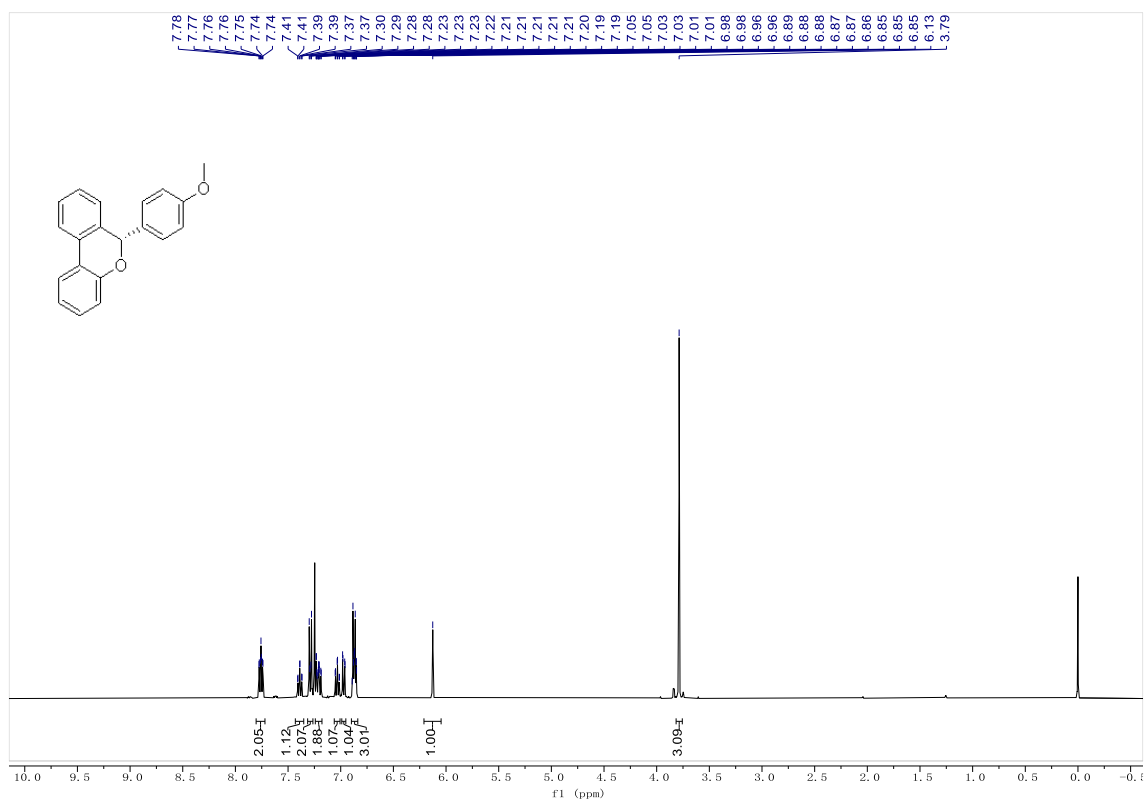




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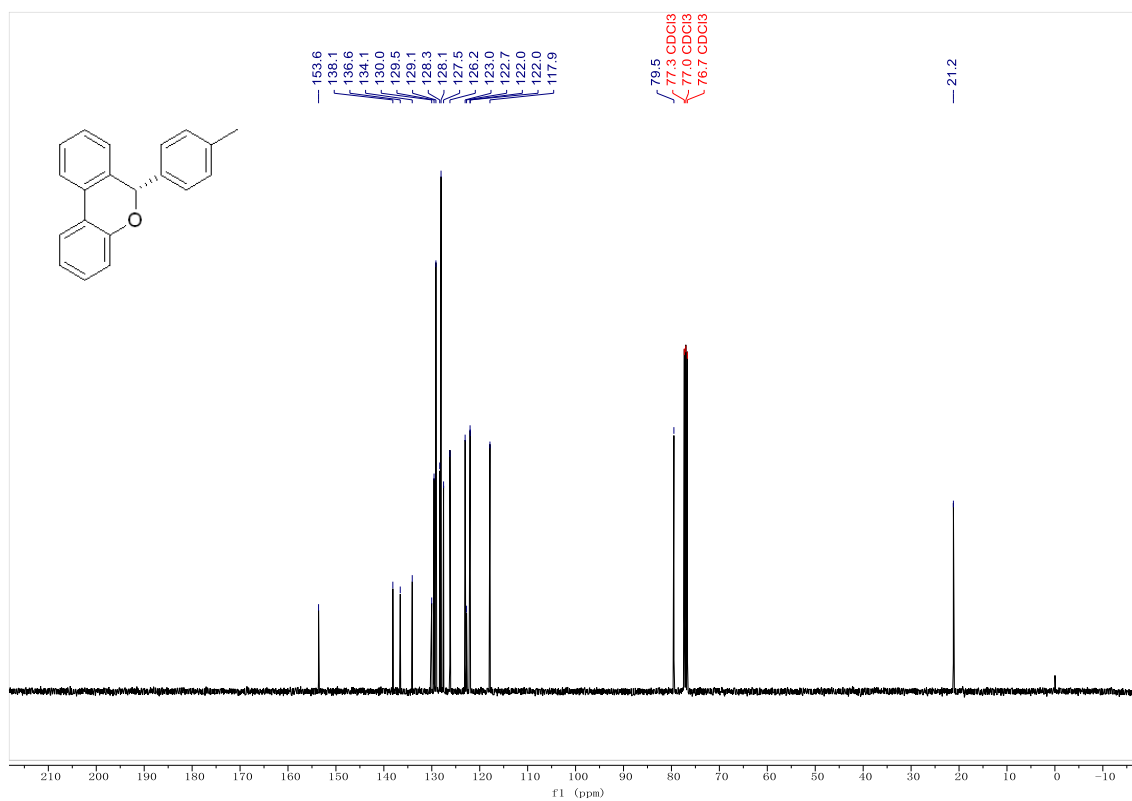


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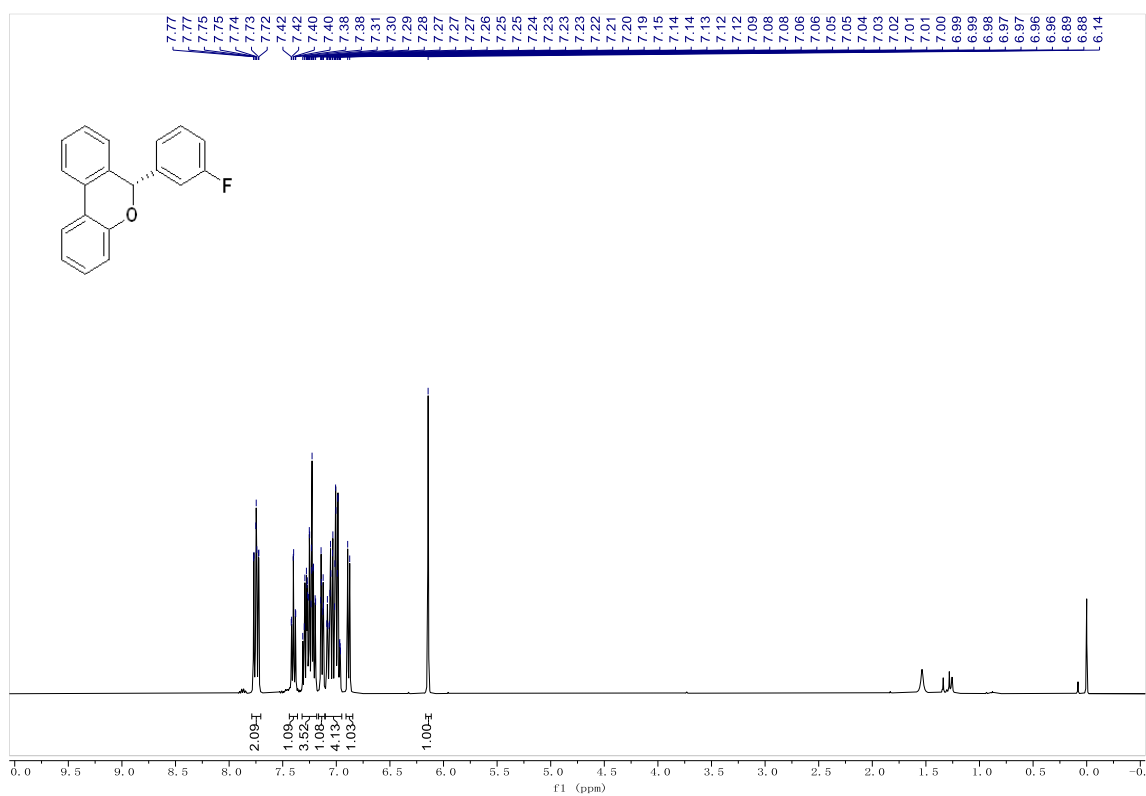




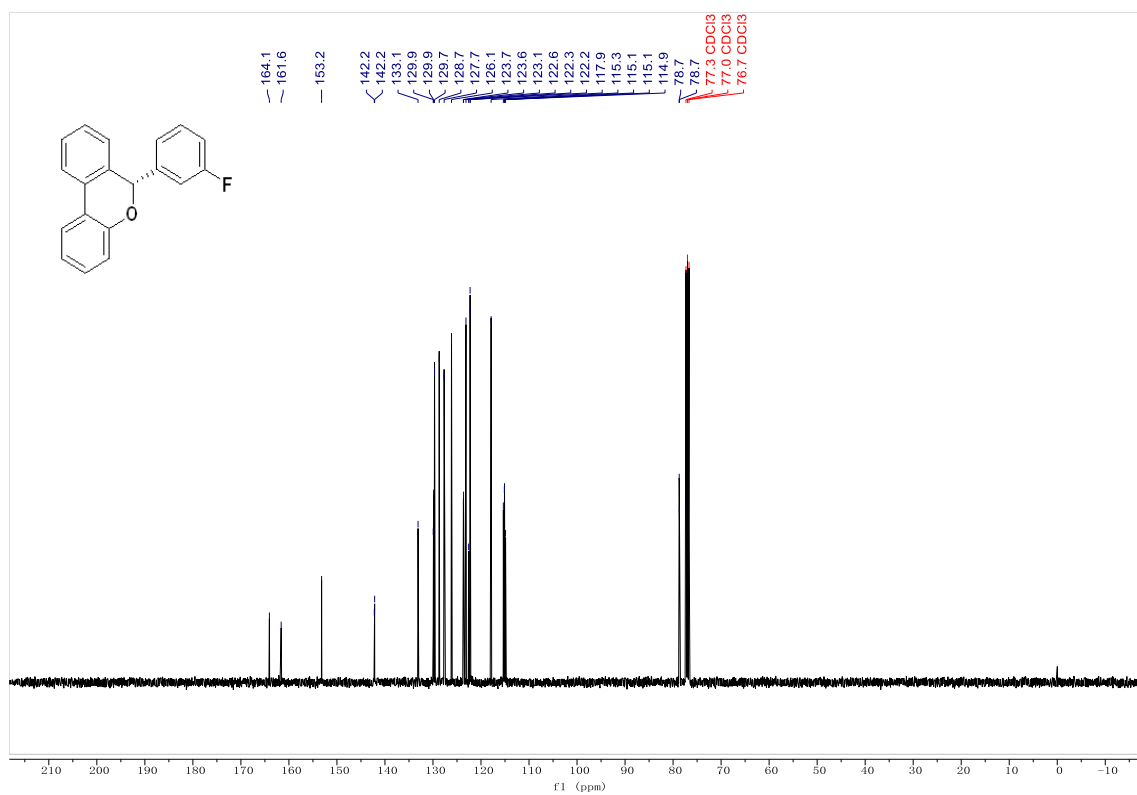
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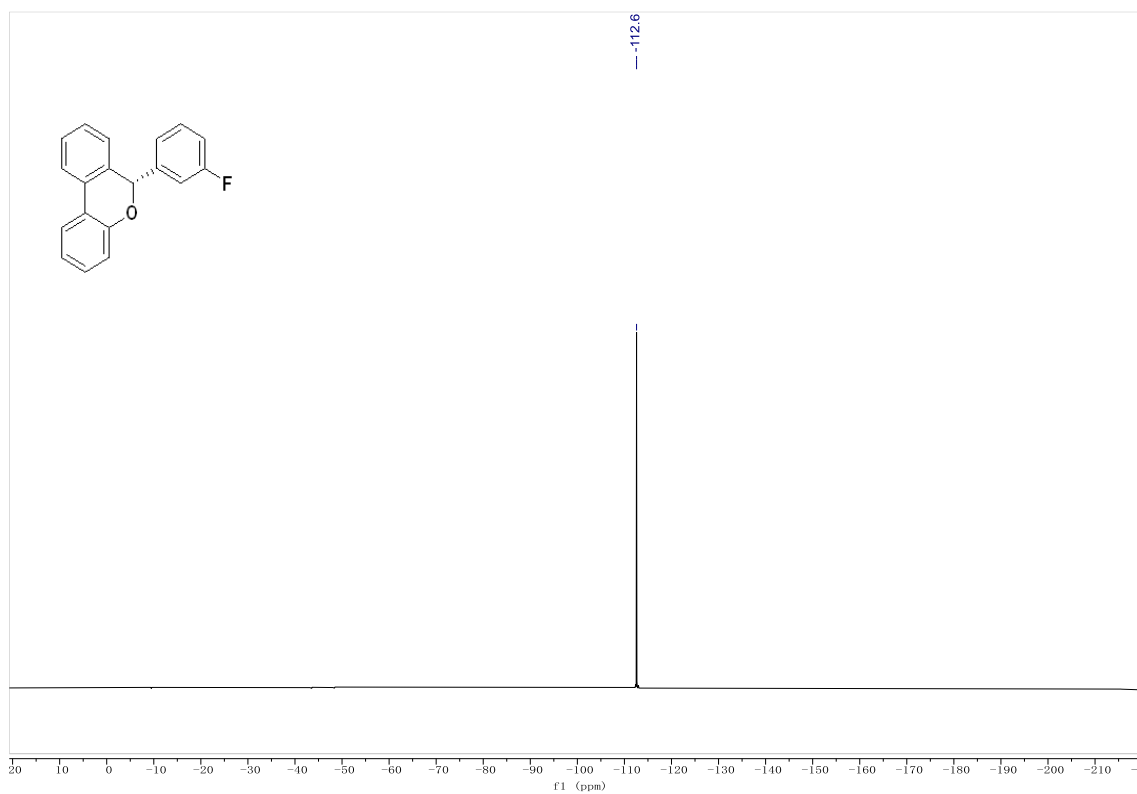
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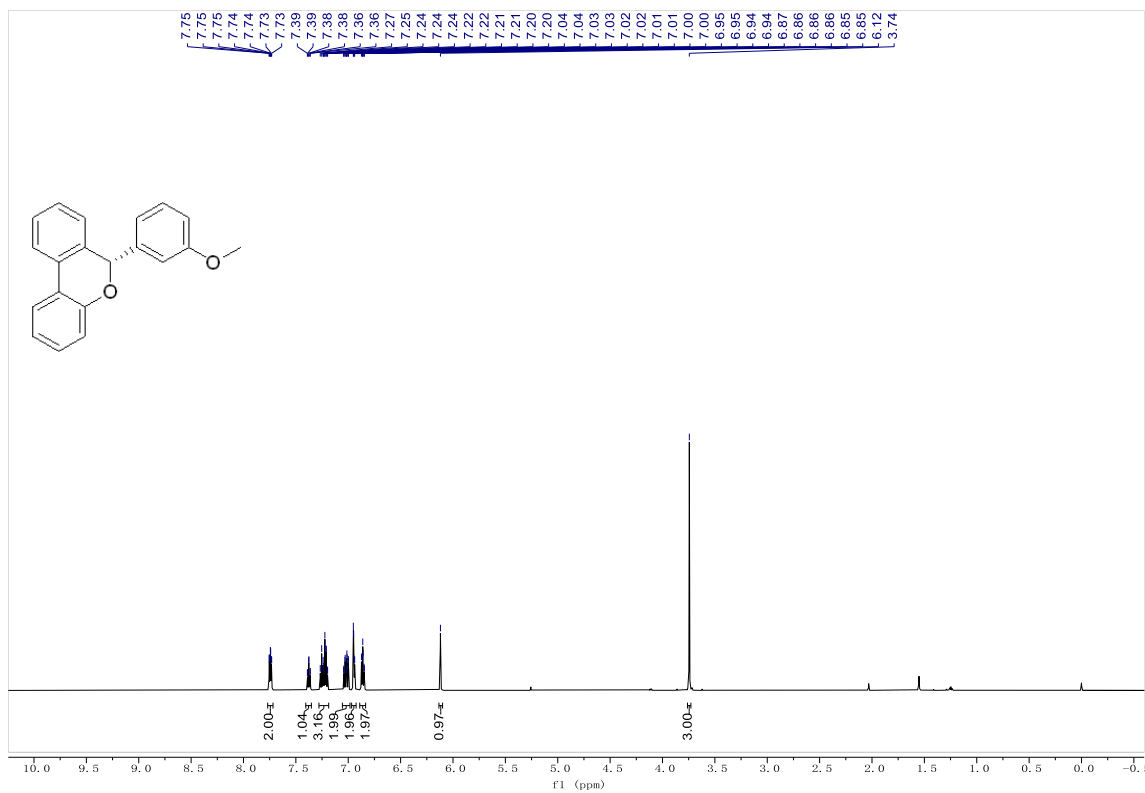


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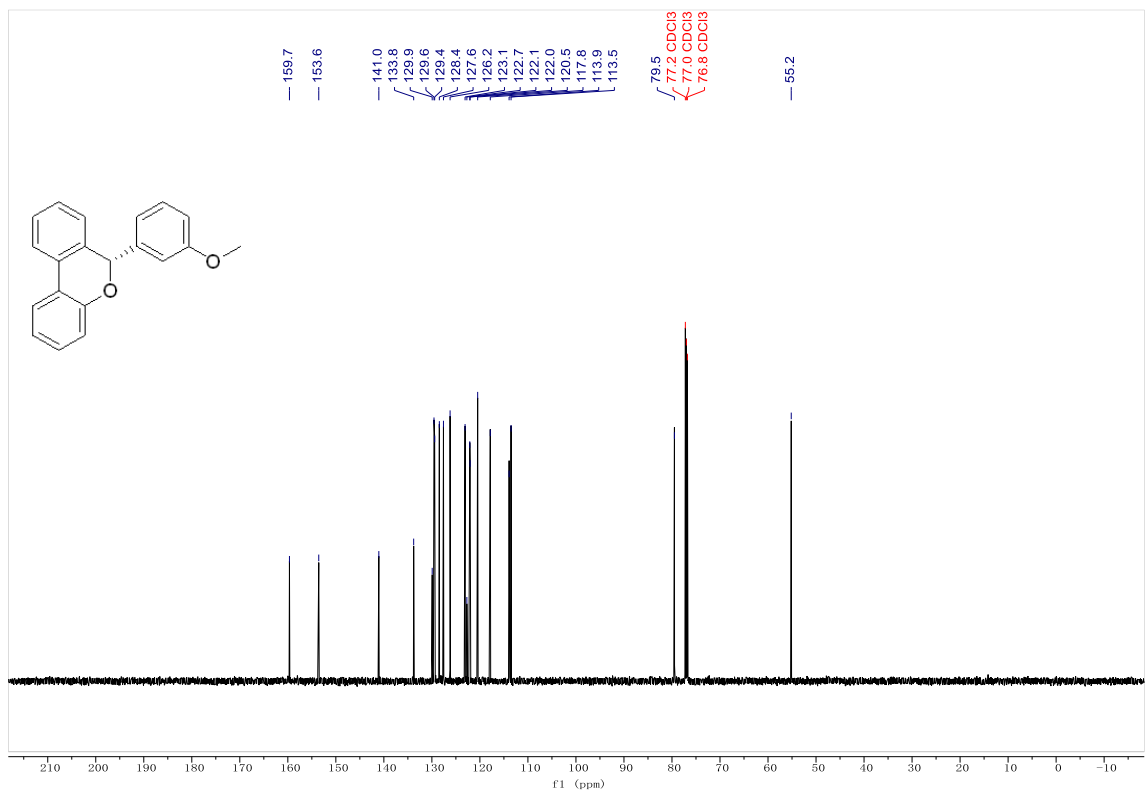




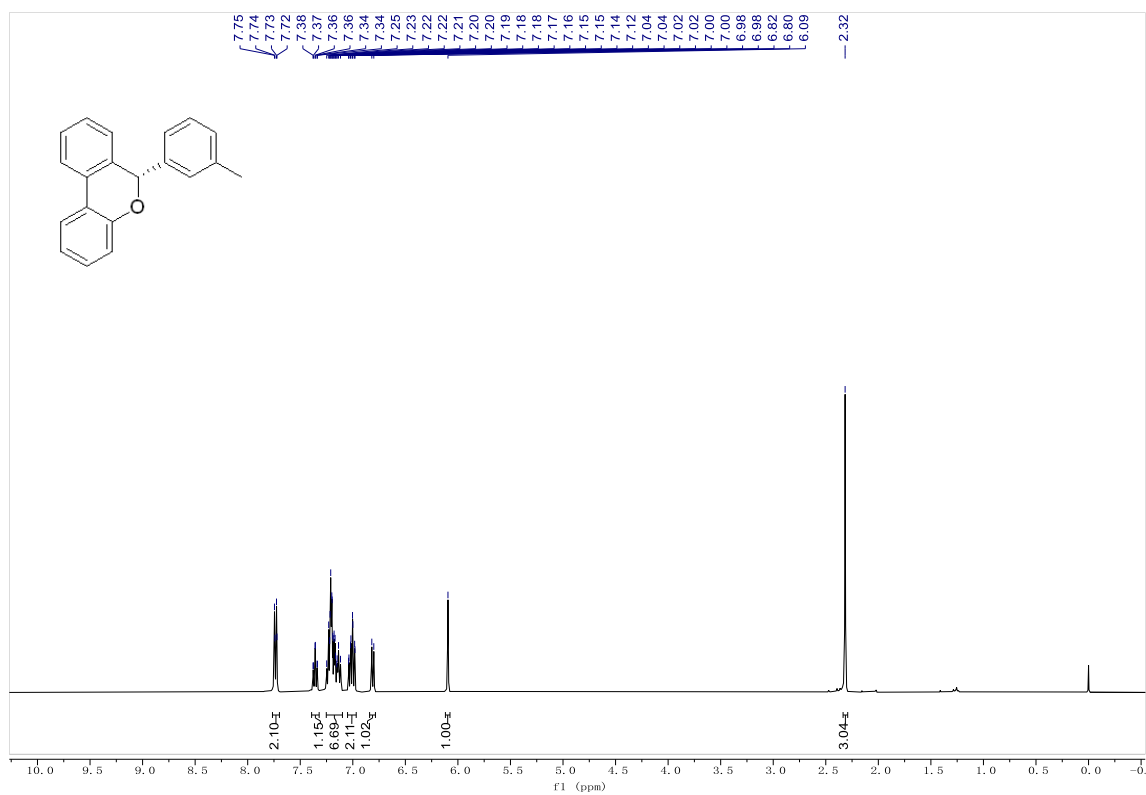
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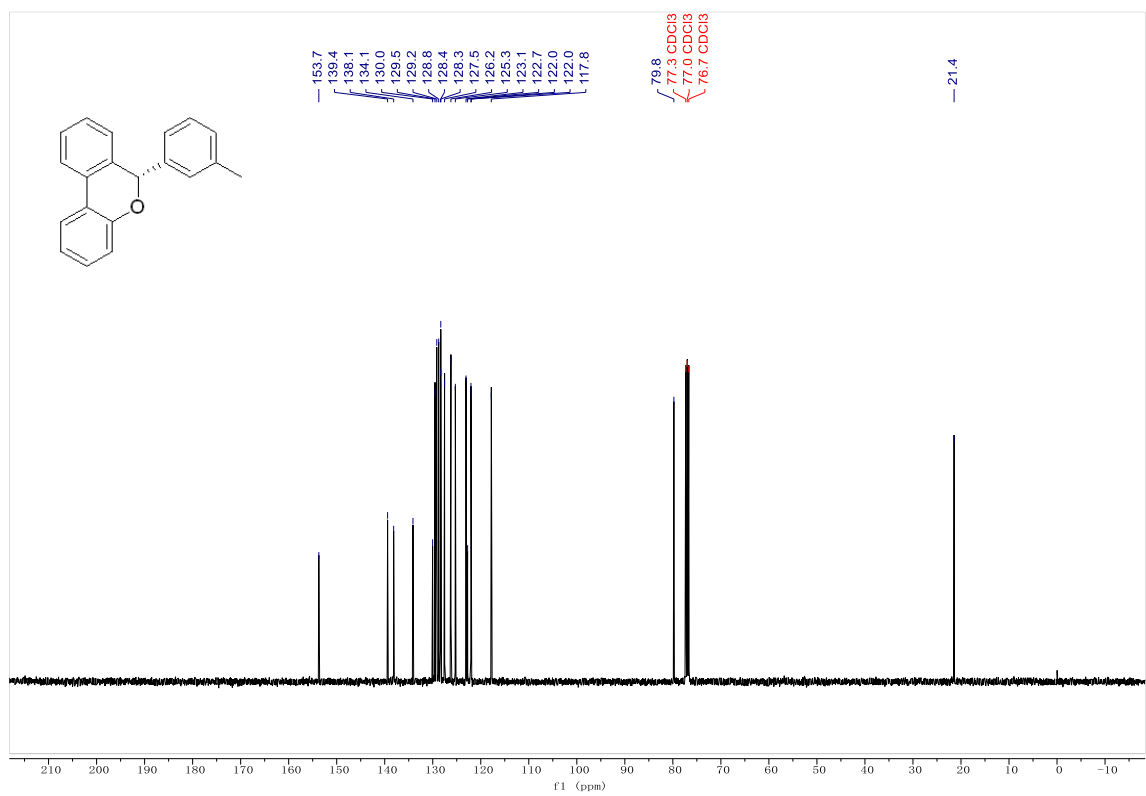
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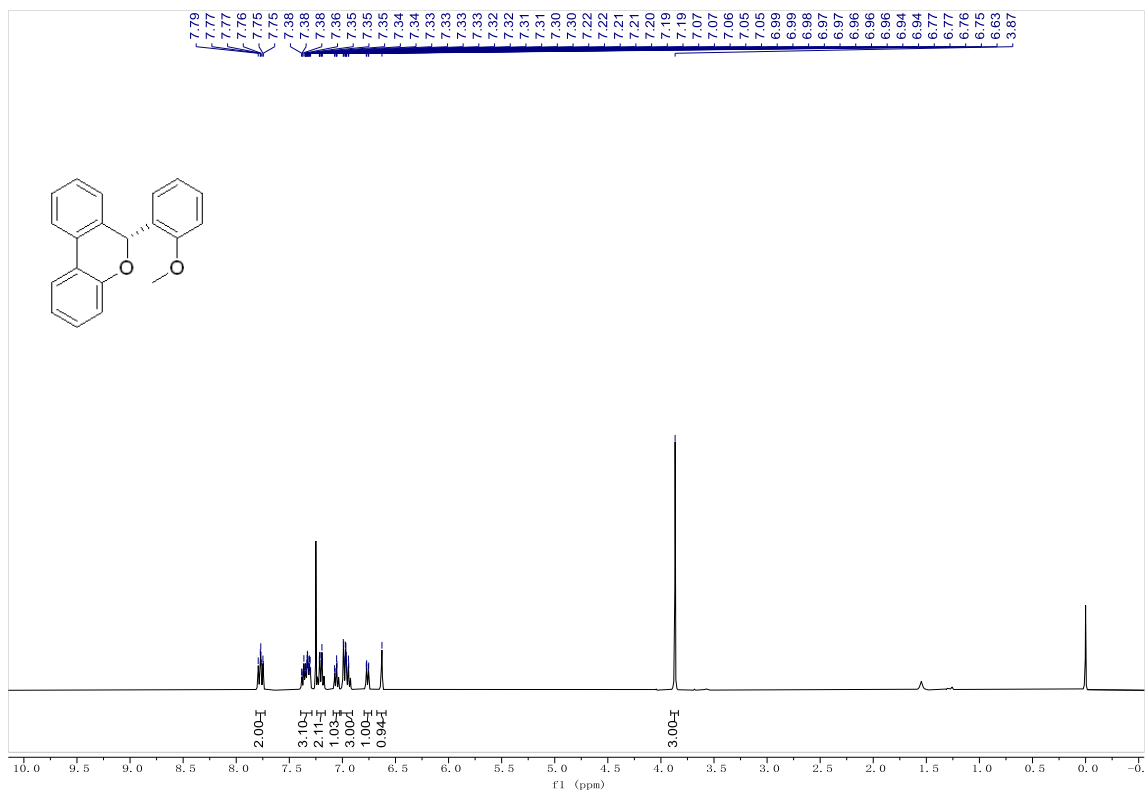
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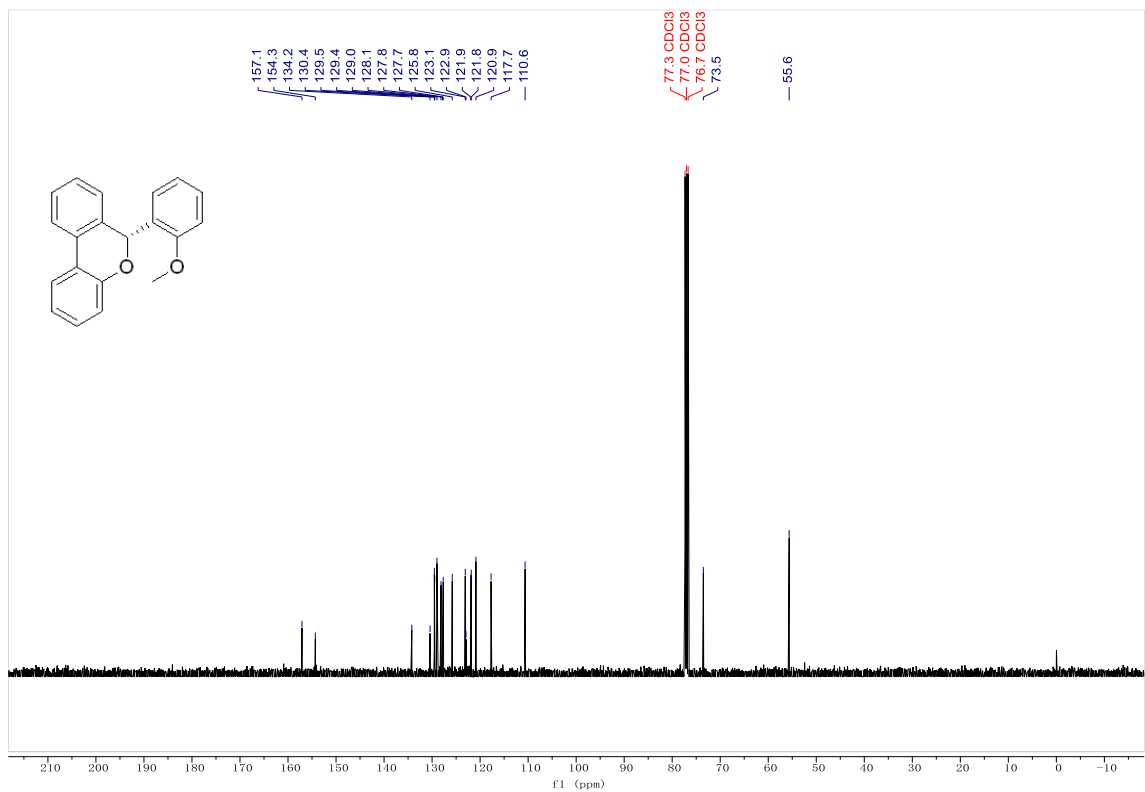
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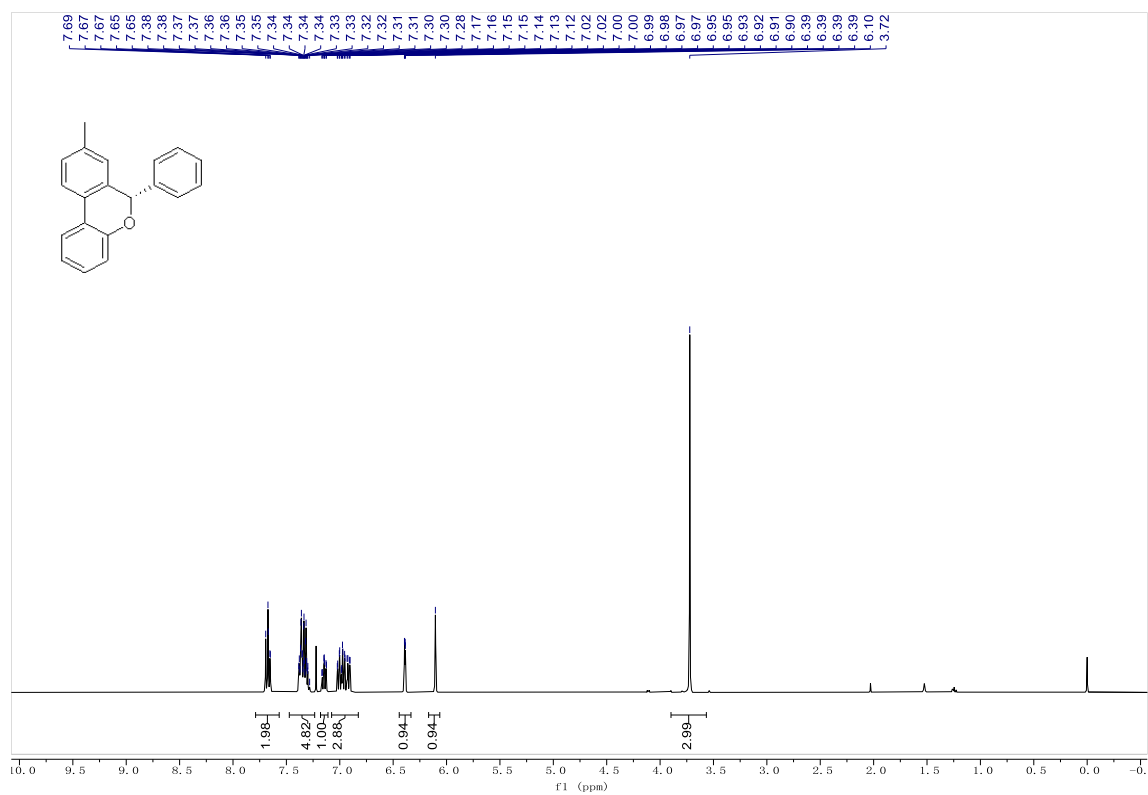


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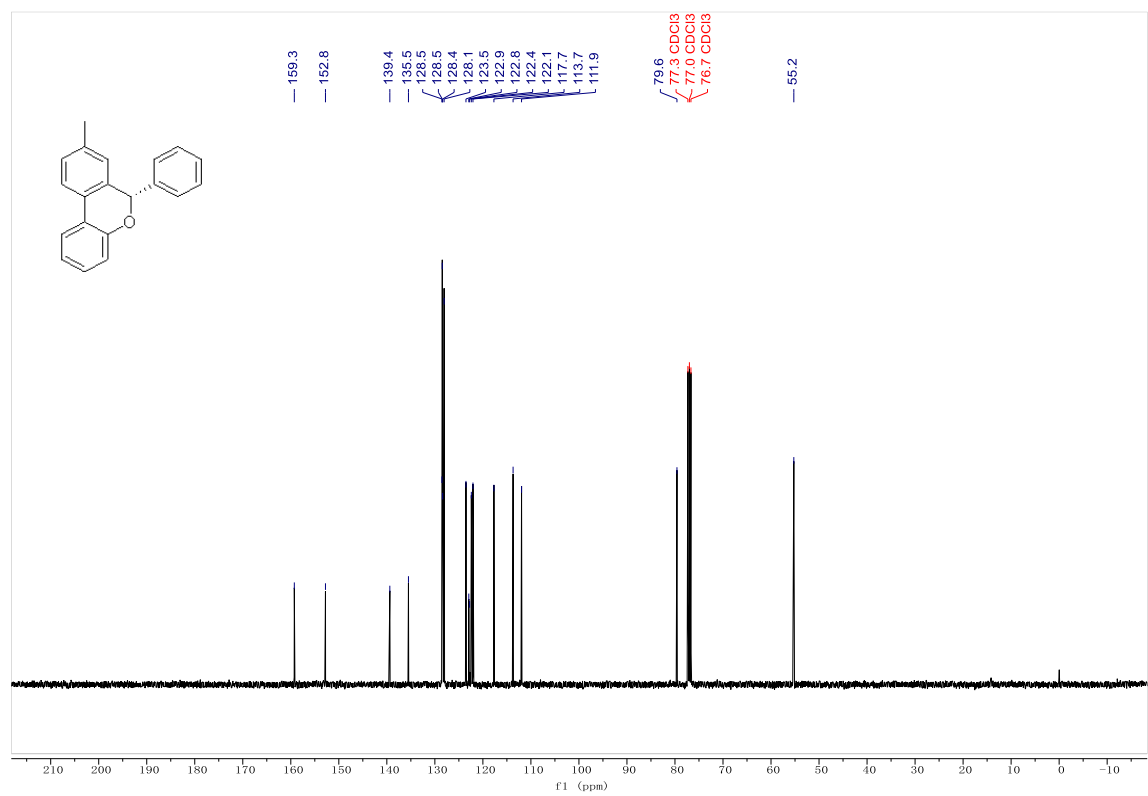




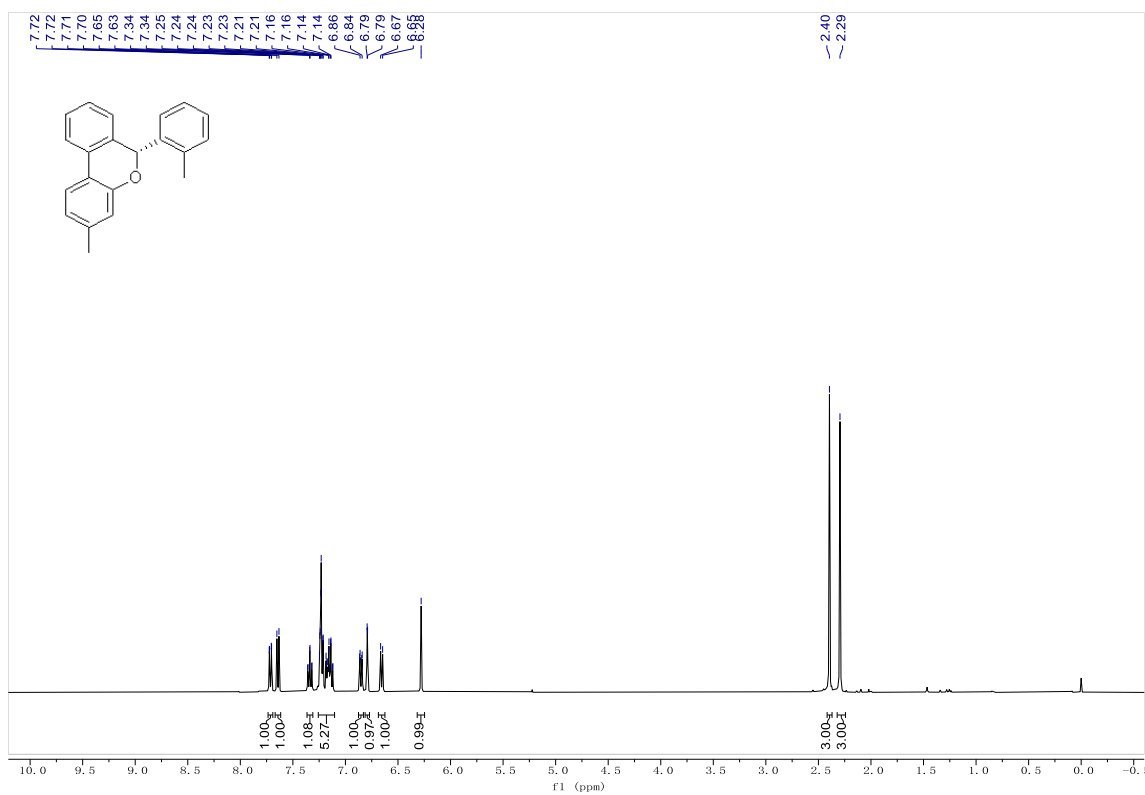
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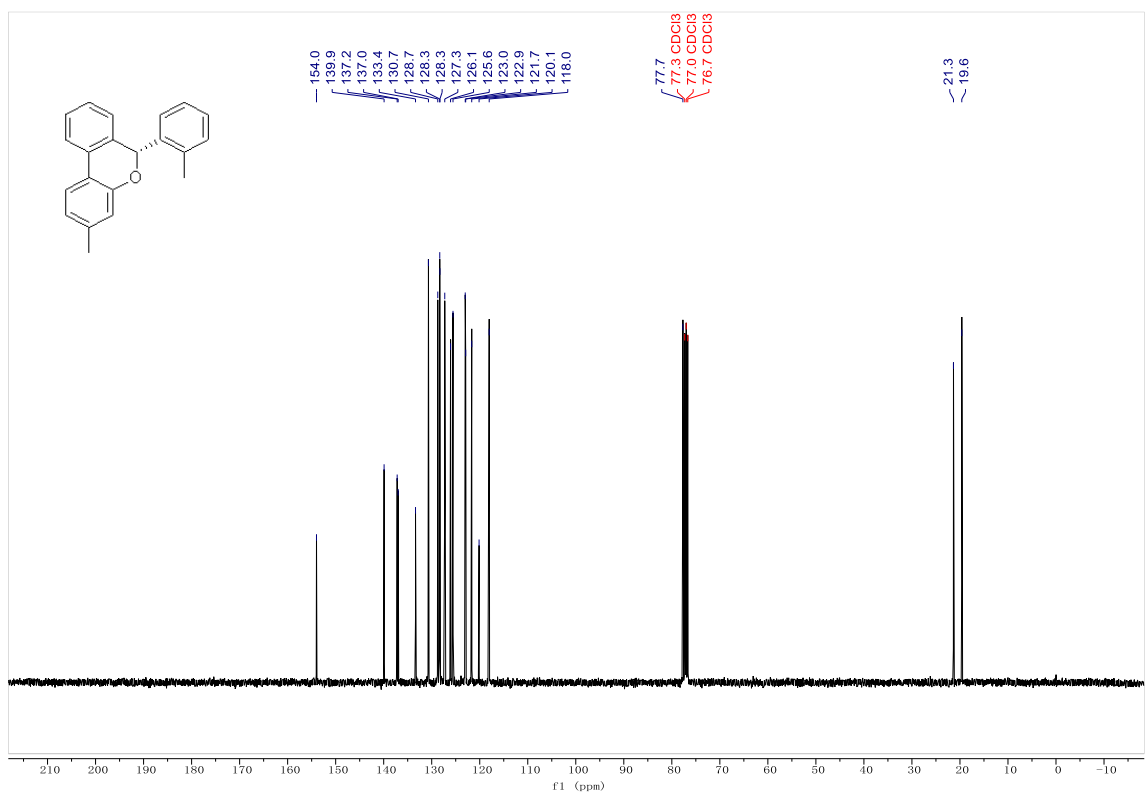
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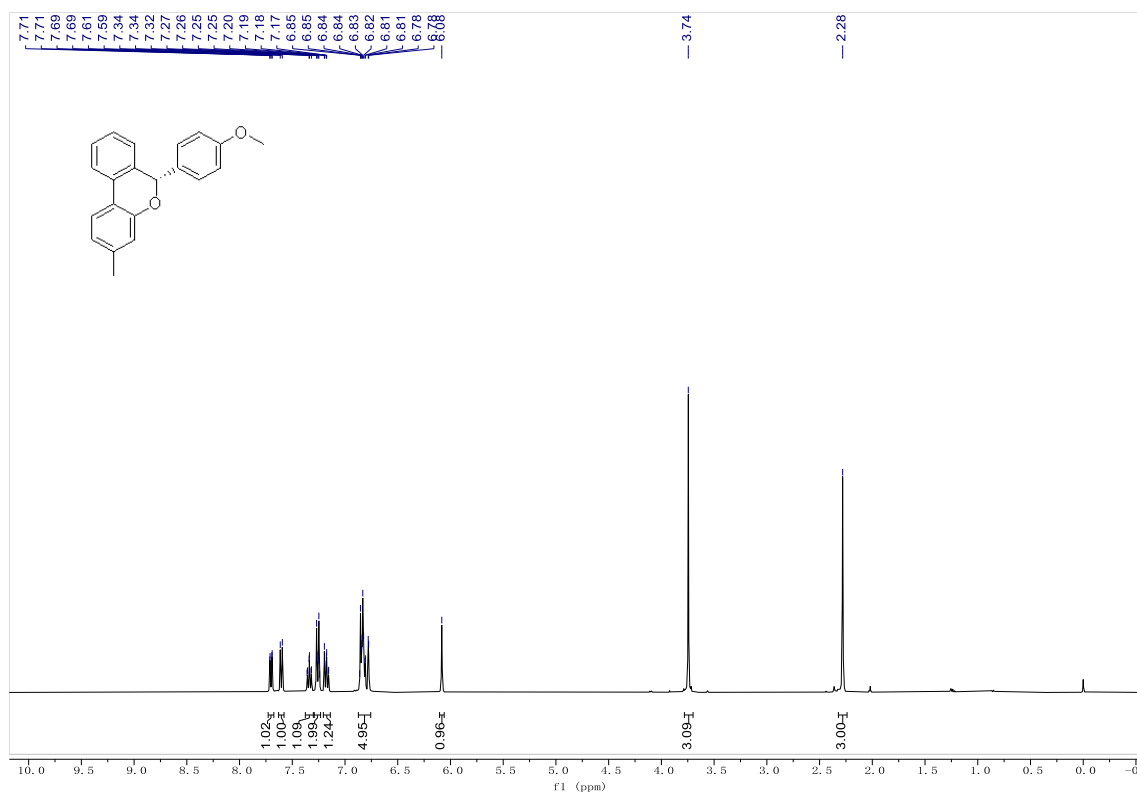
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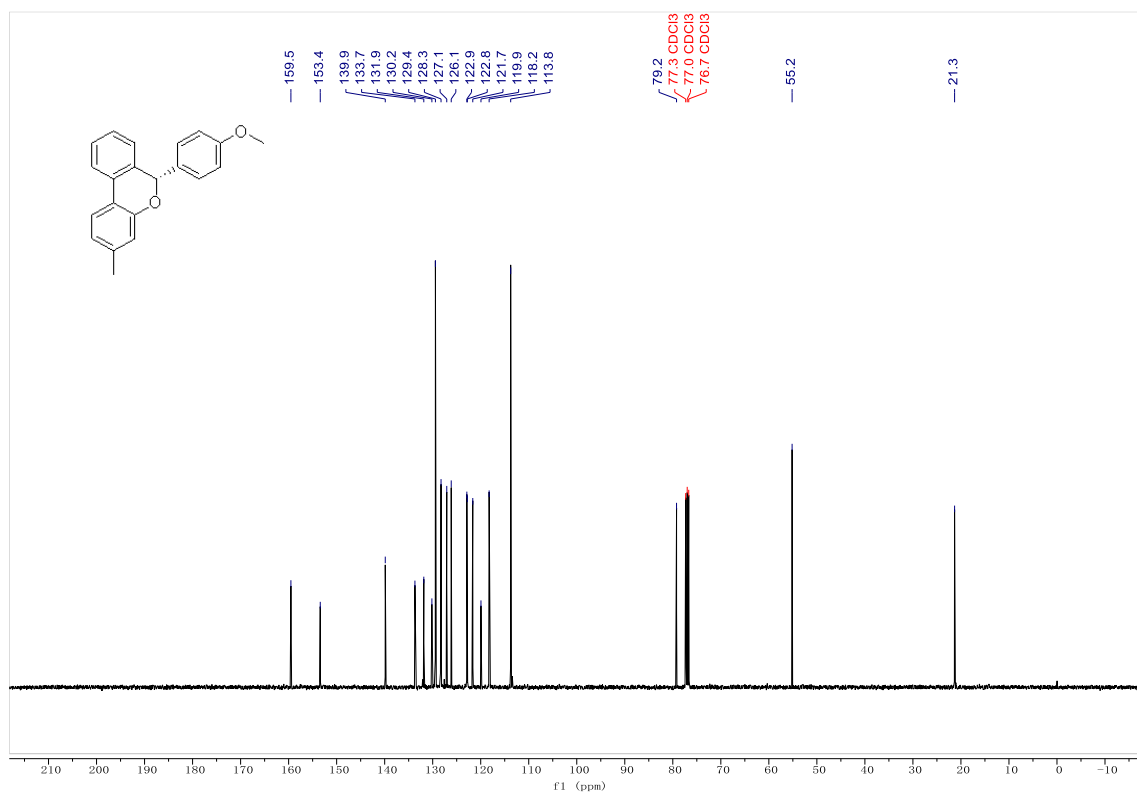
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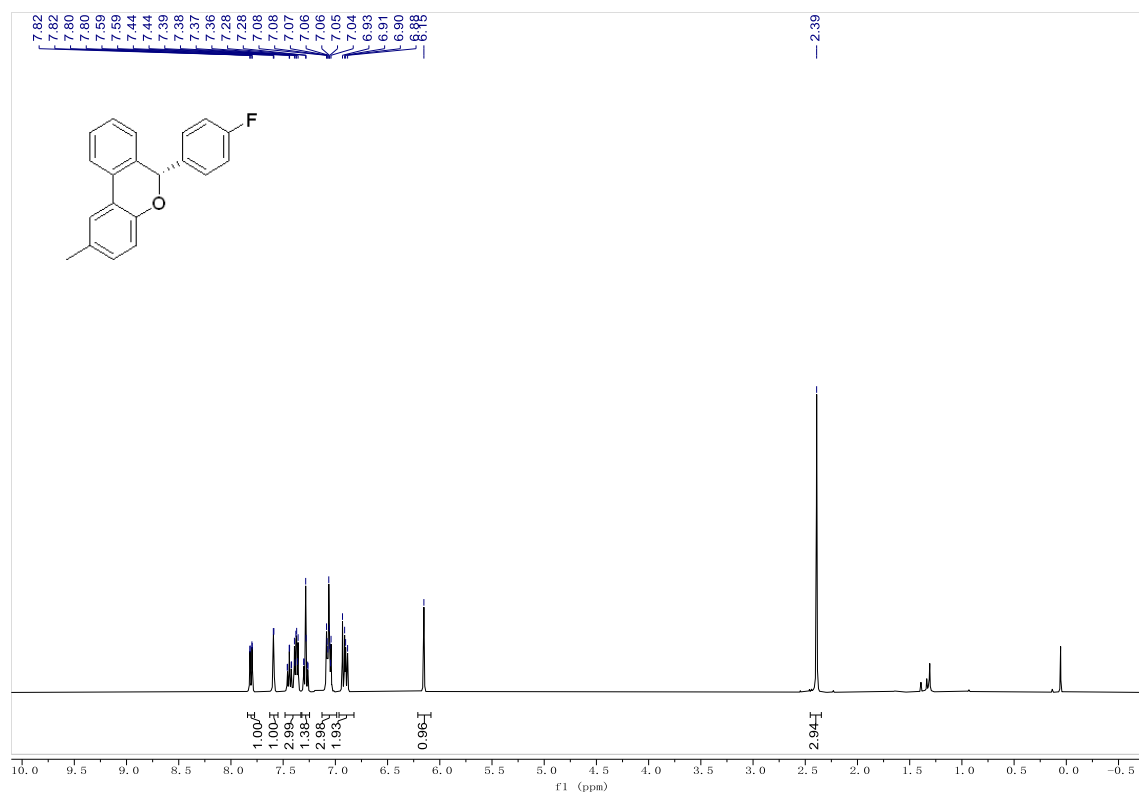
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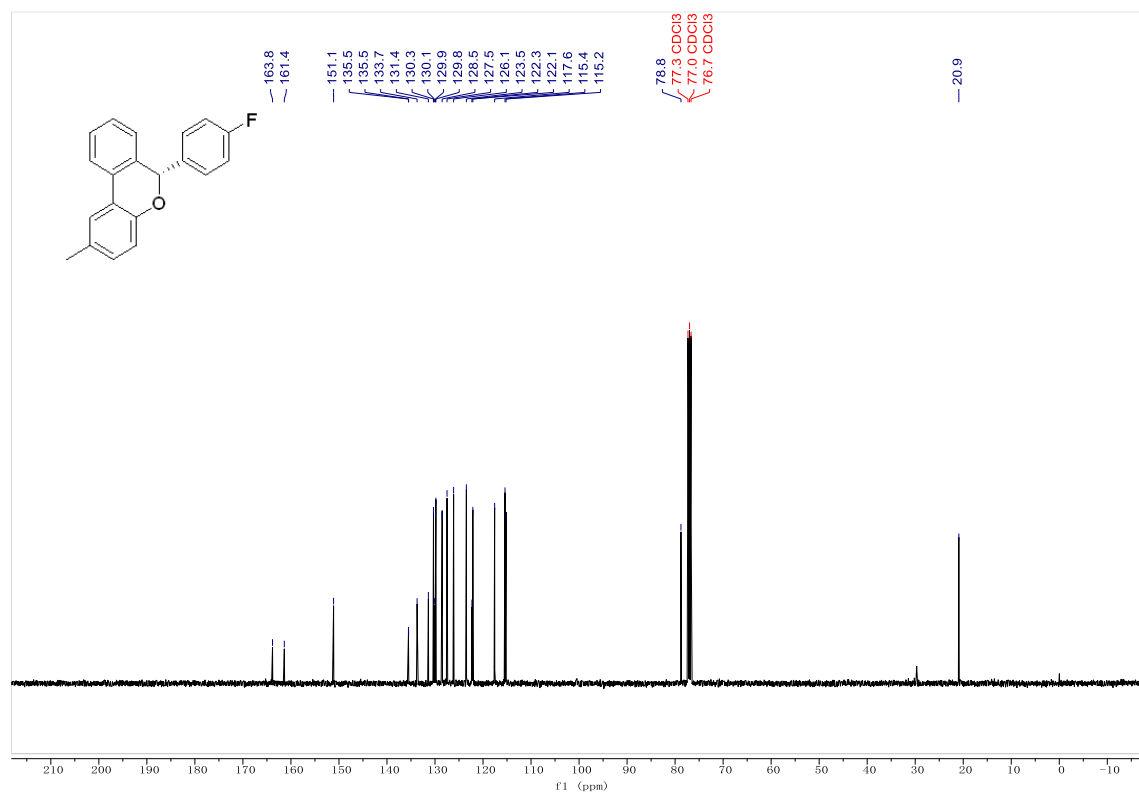
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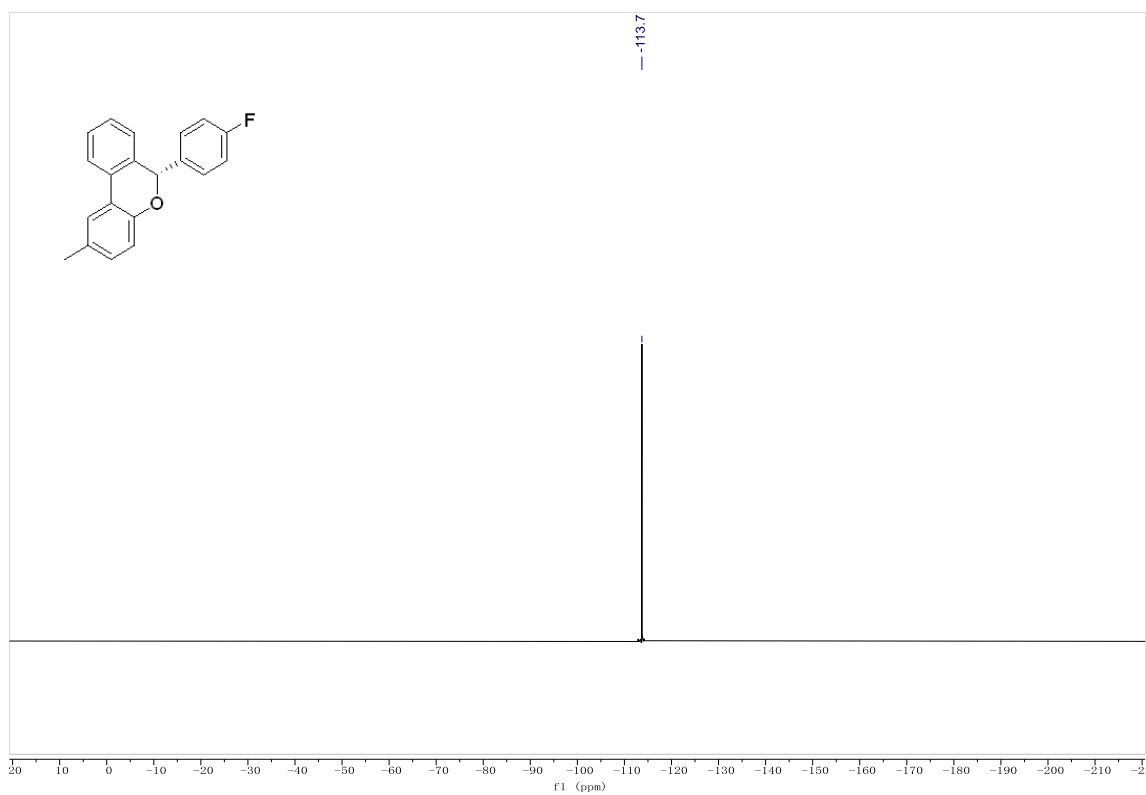


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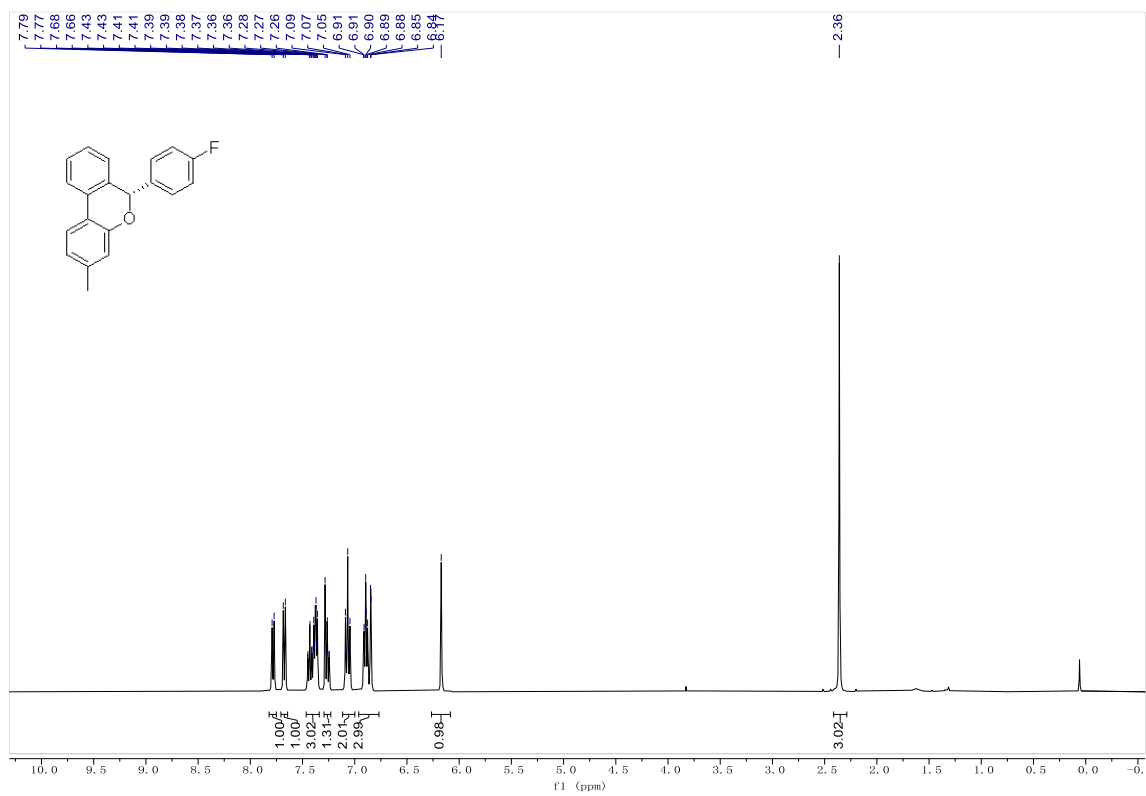




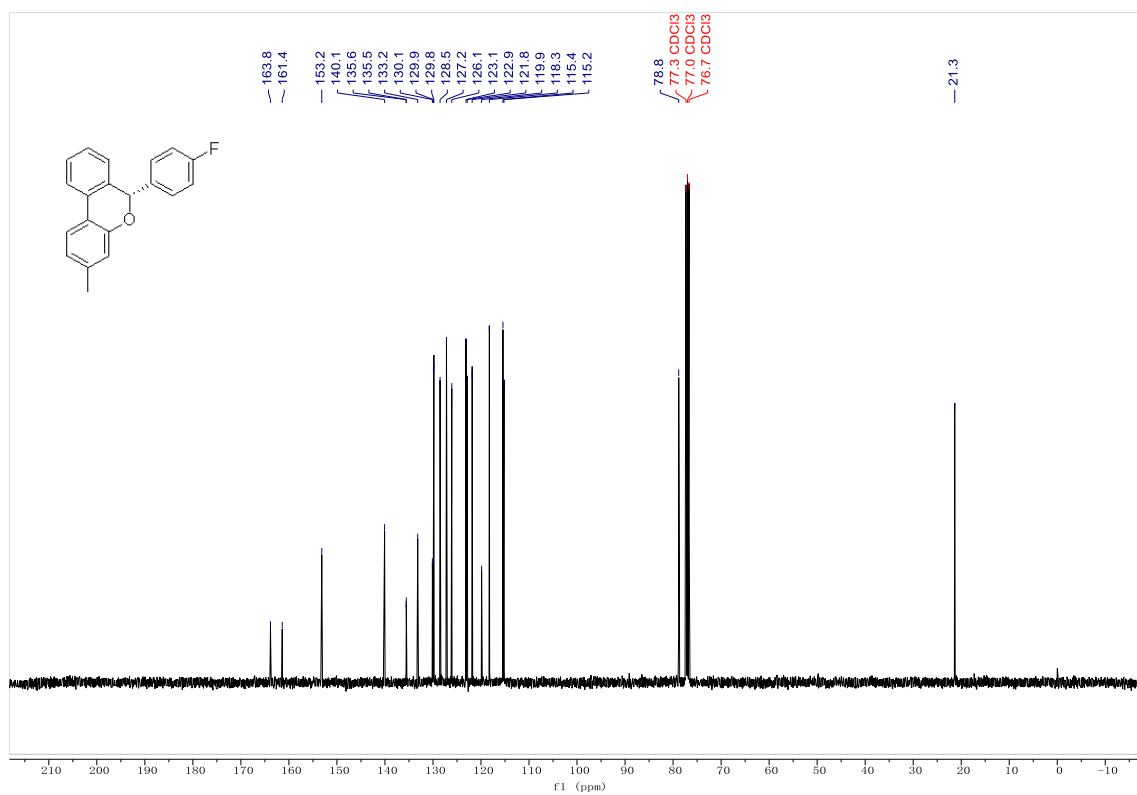
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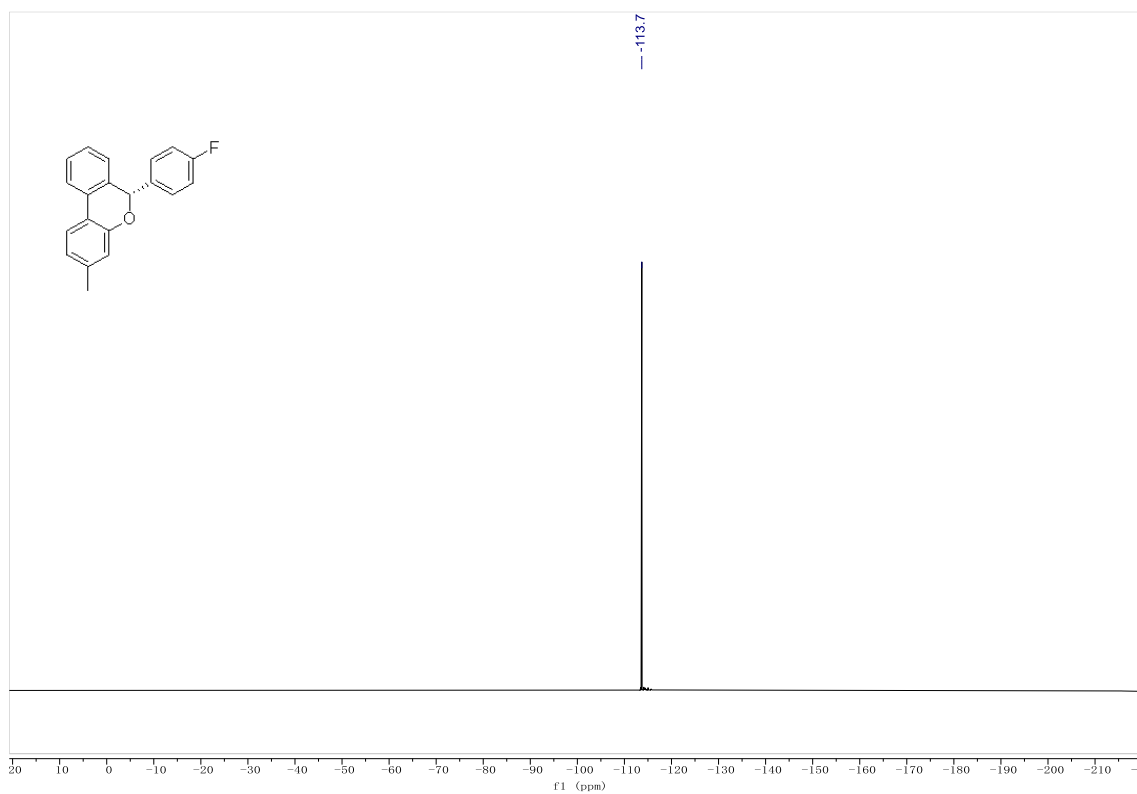
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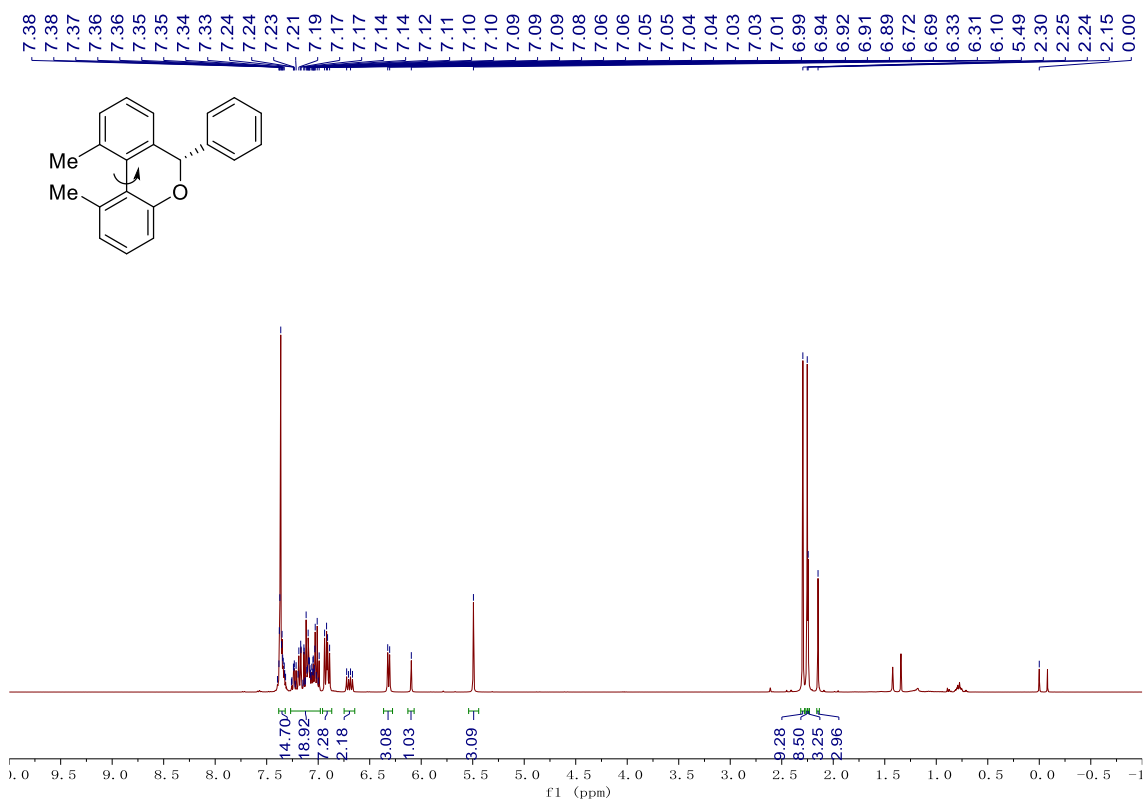
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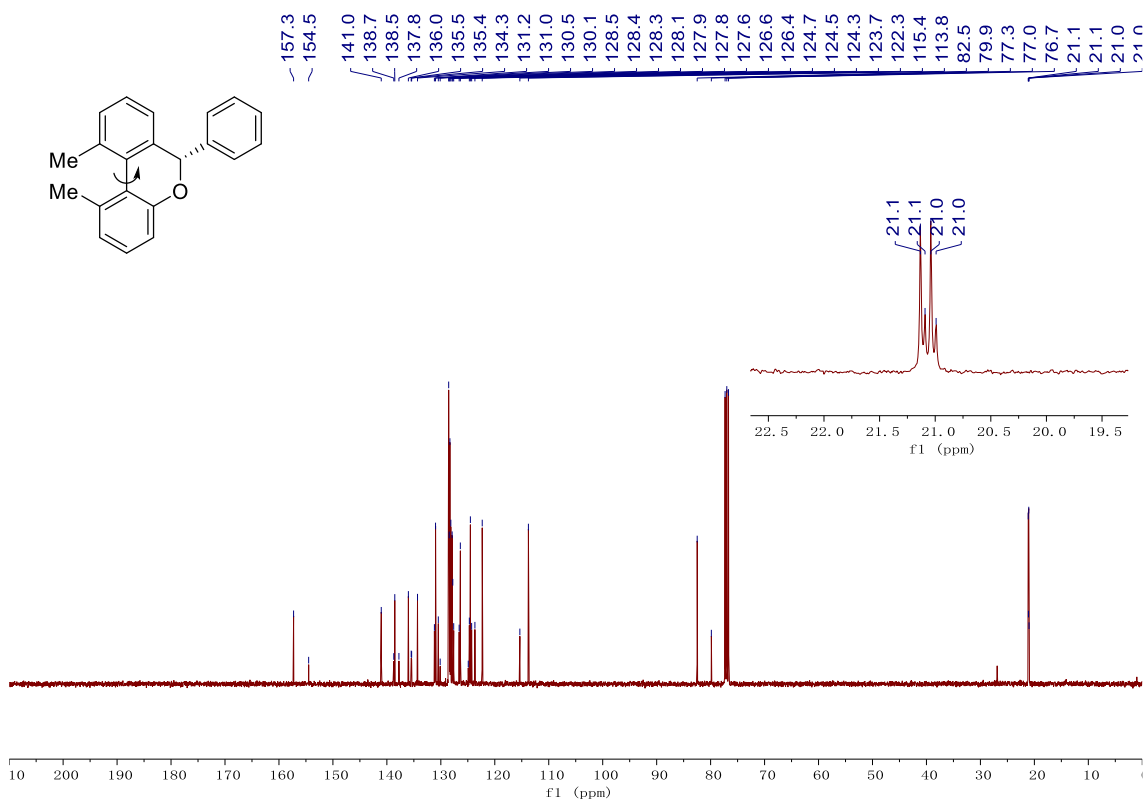
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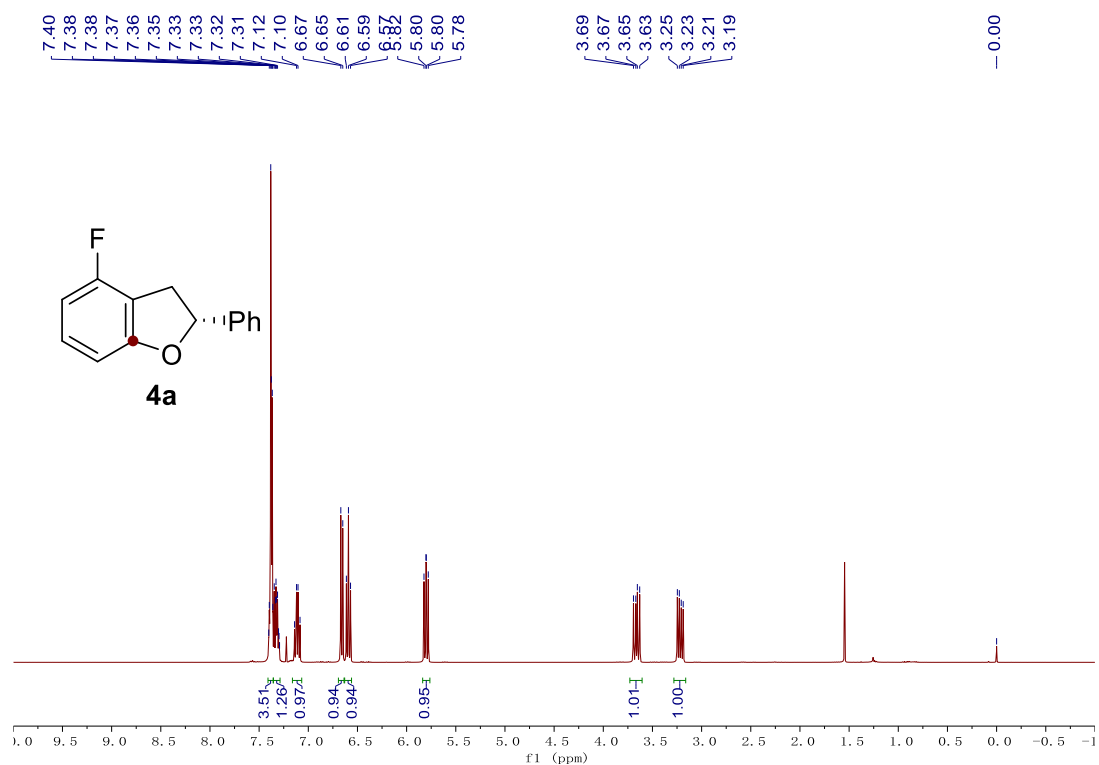
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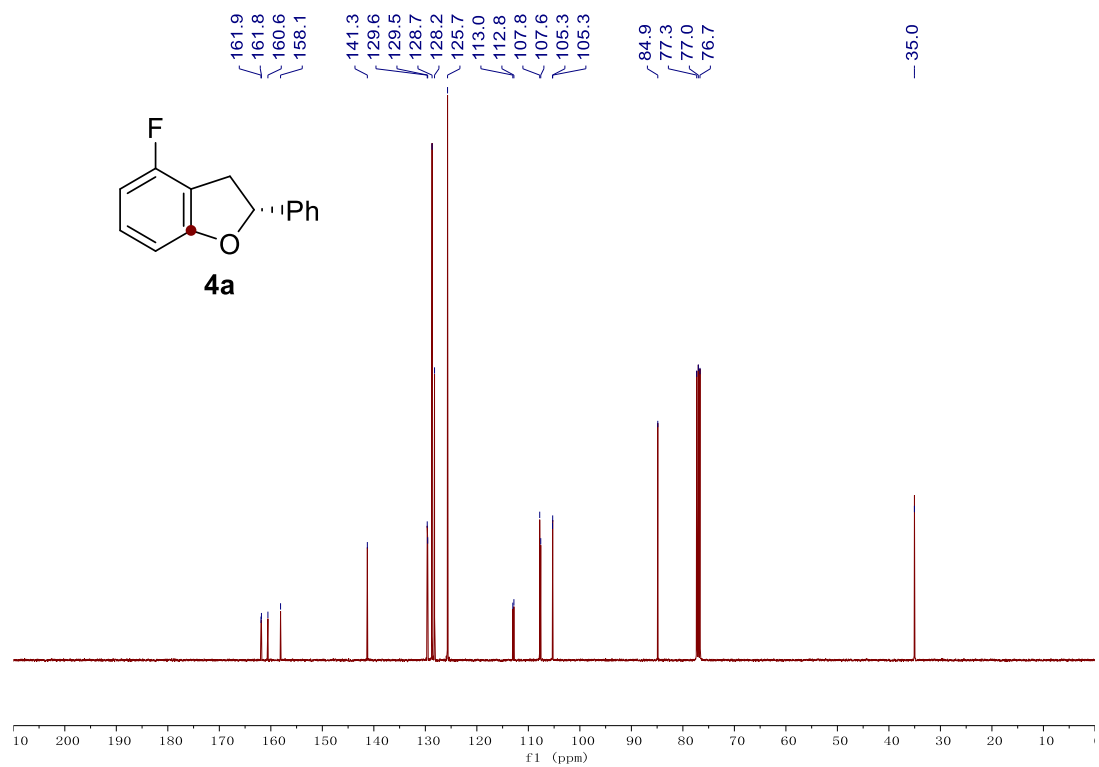
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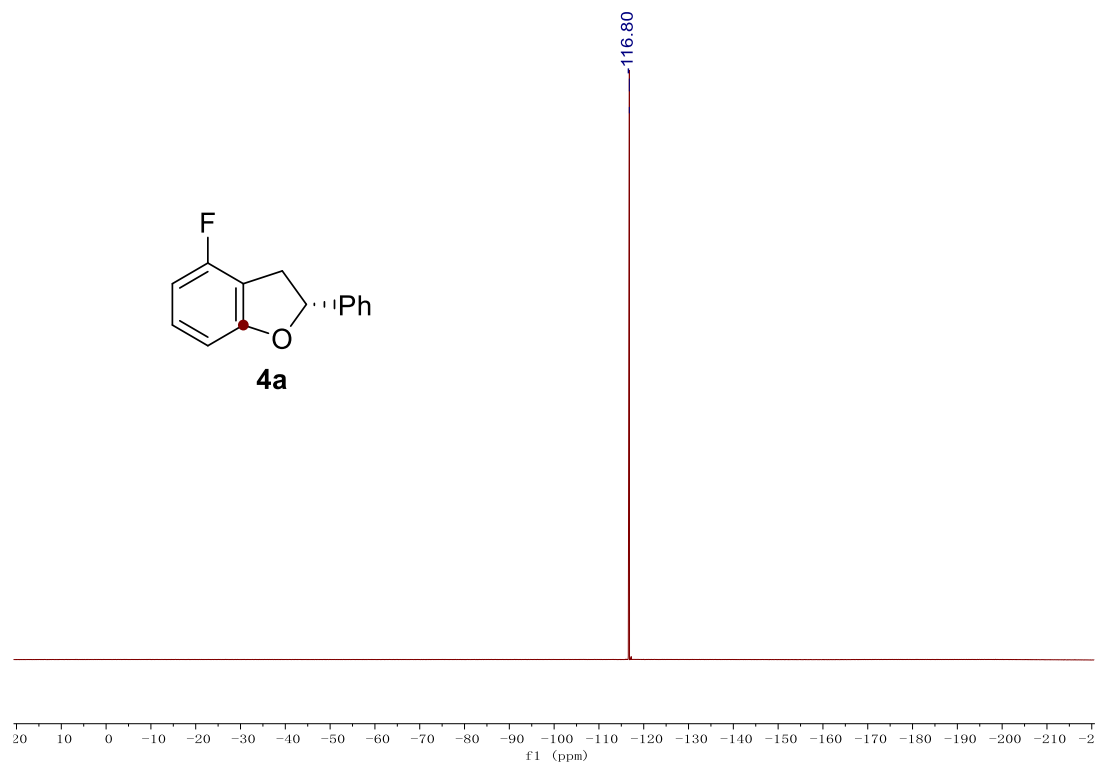
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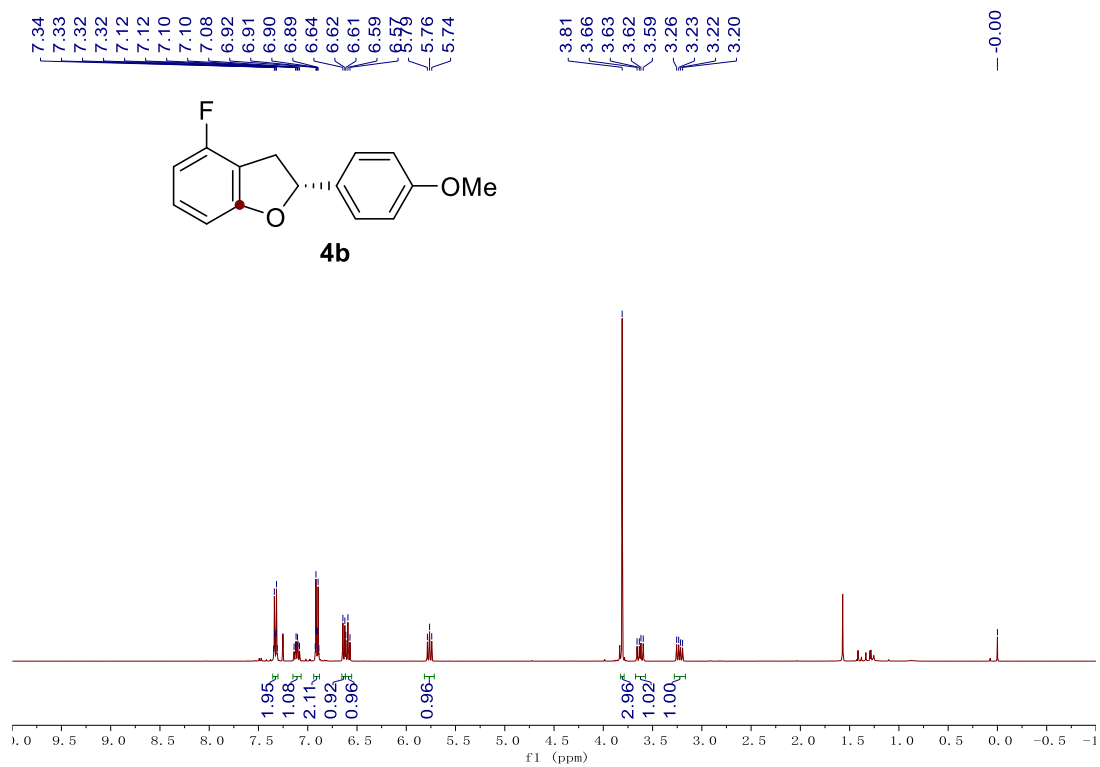
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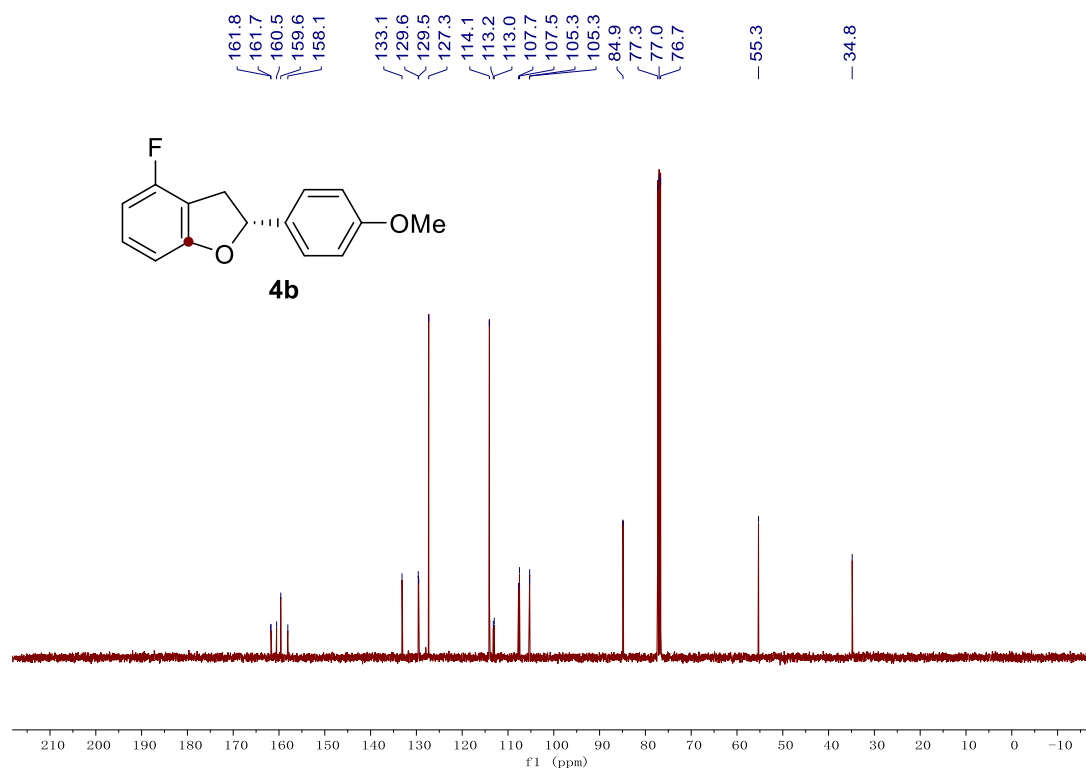
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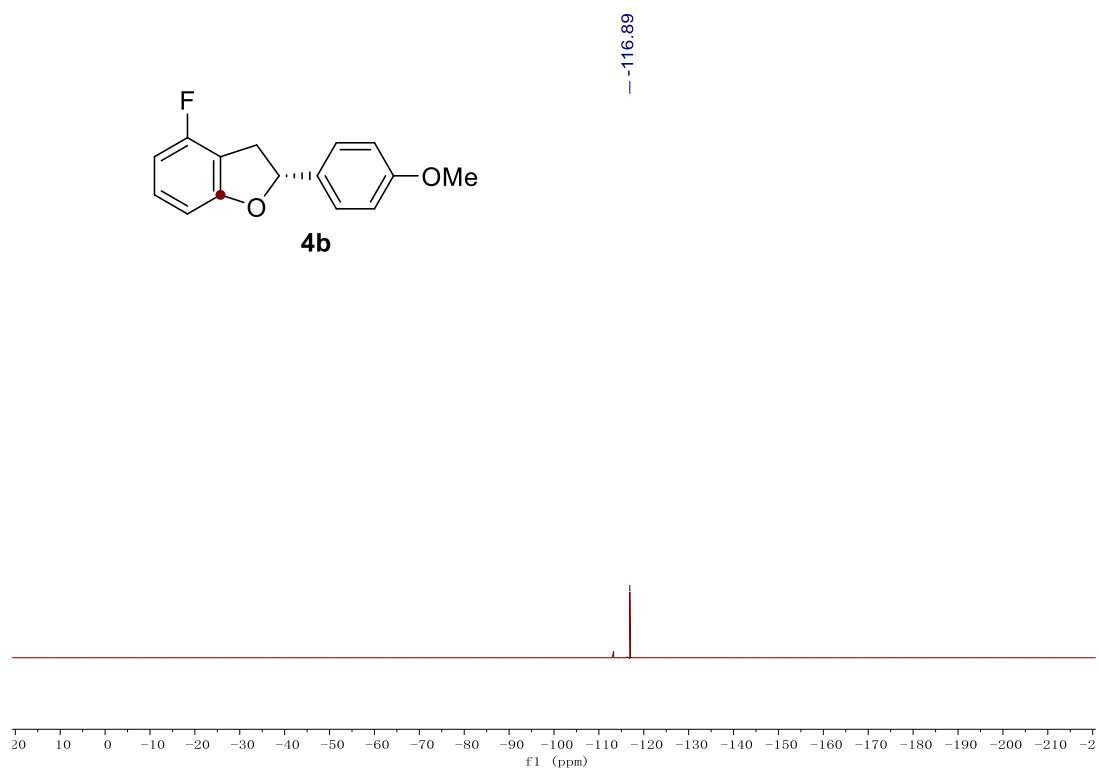
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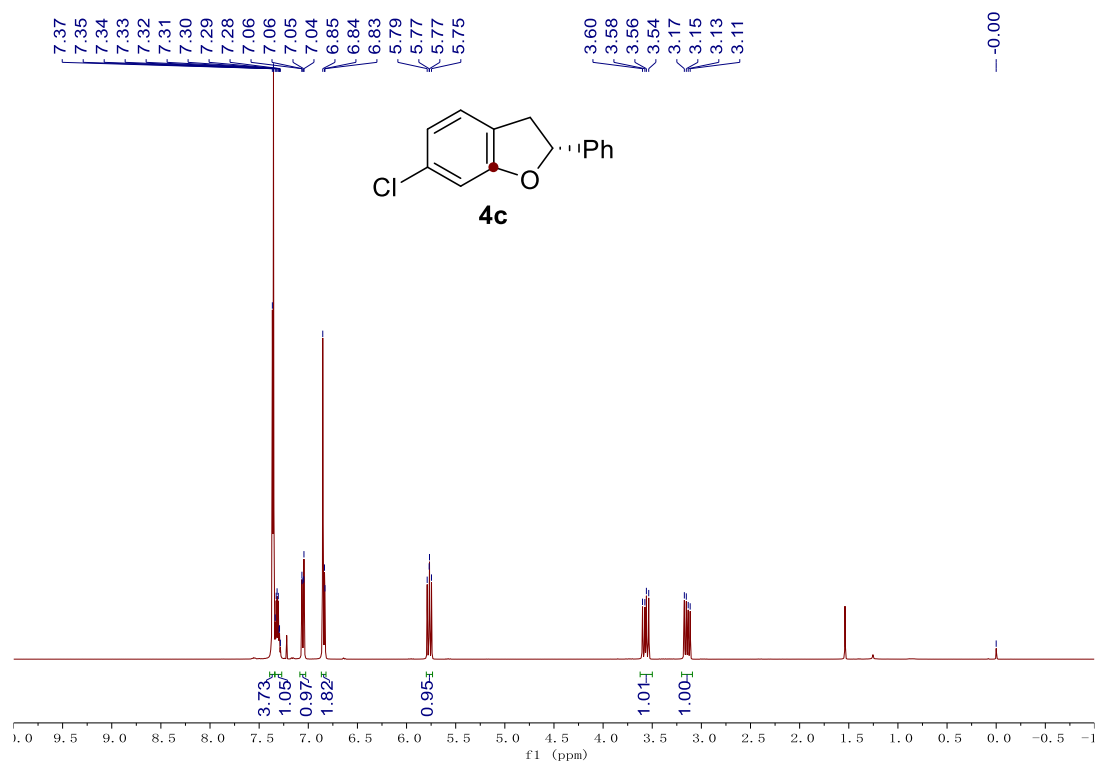
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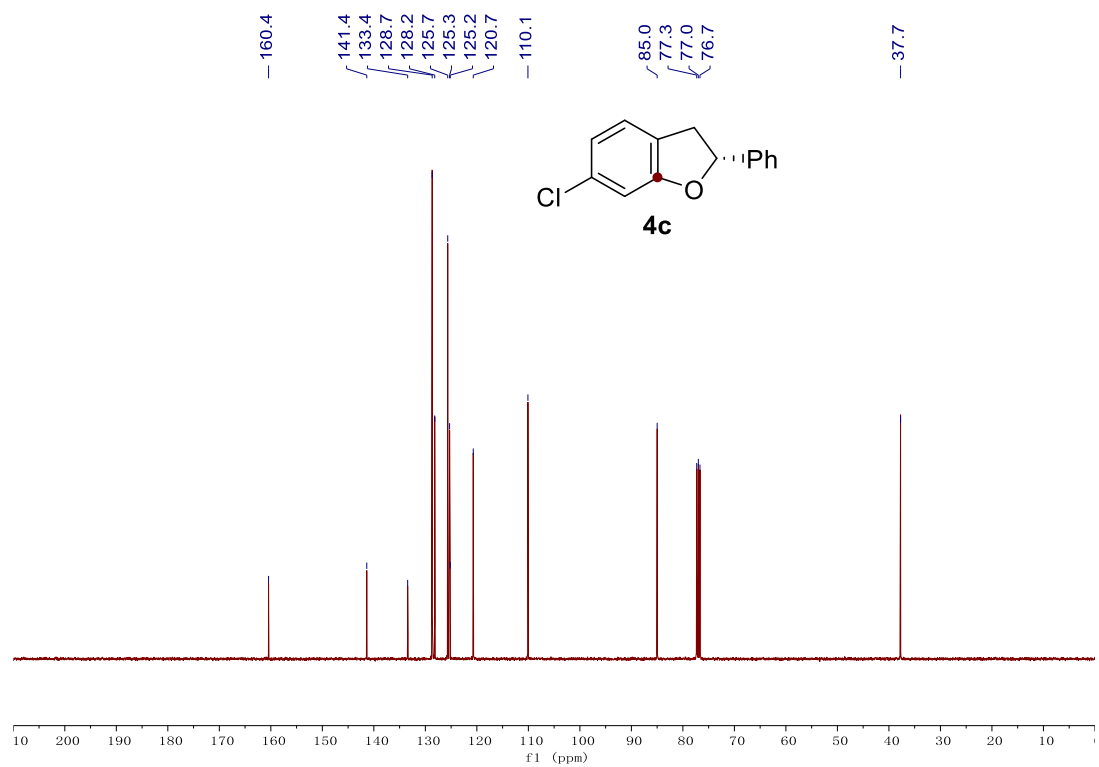
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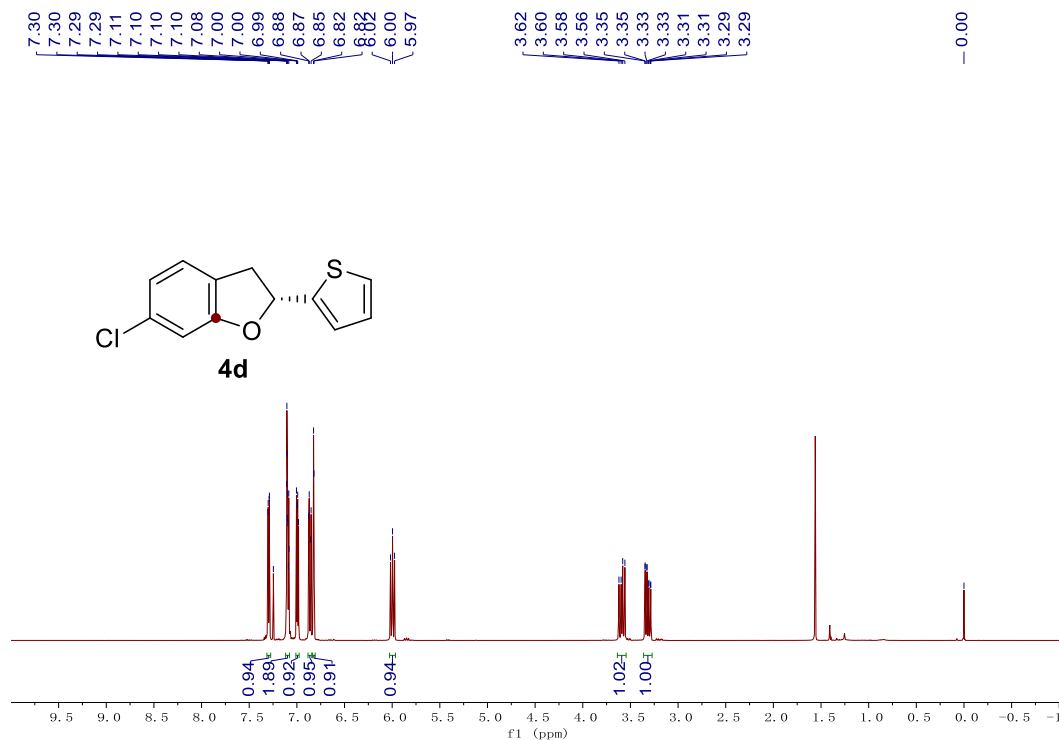
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of **4c**



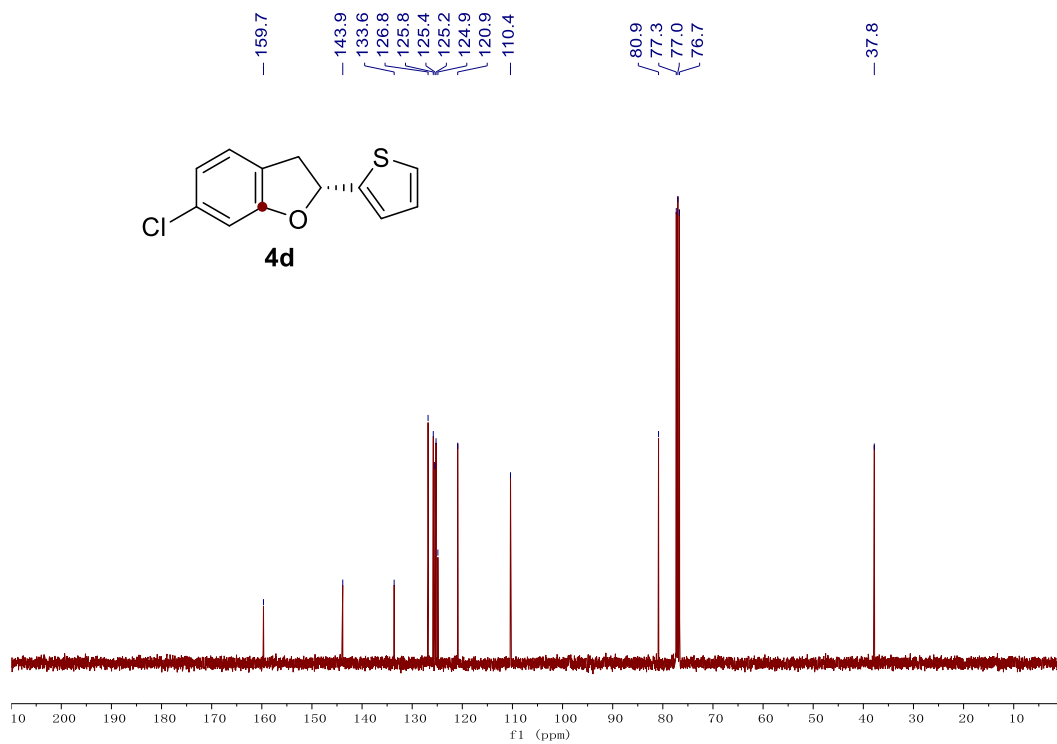
<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) spectra of **4c**



$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of **4d**

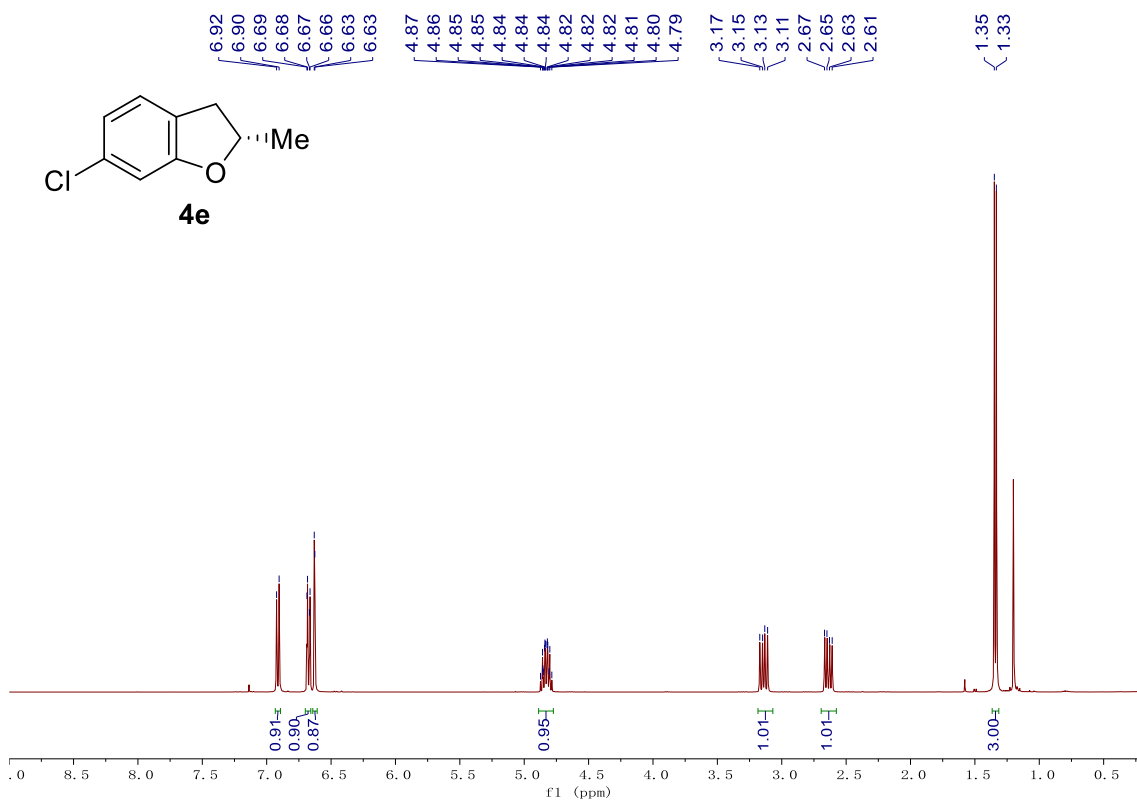


$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) spectra of **4d**

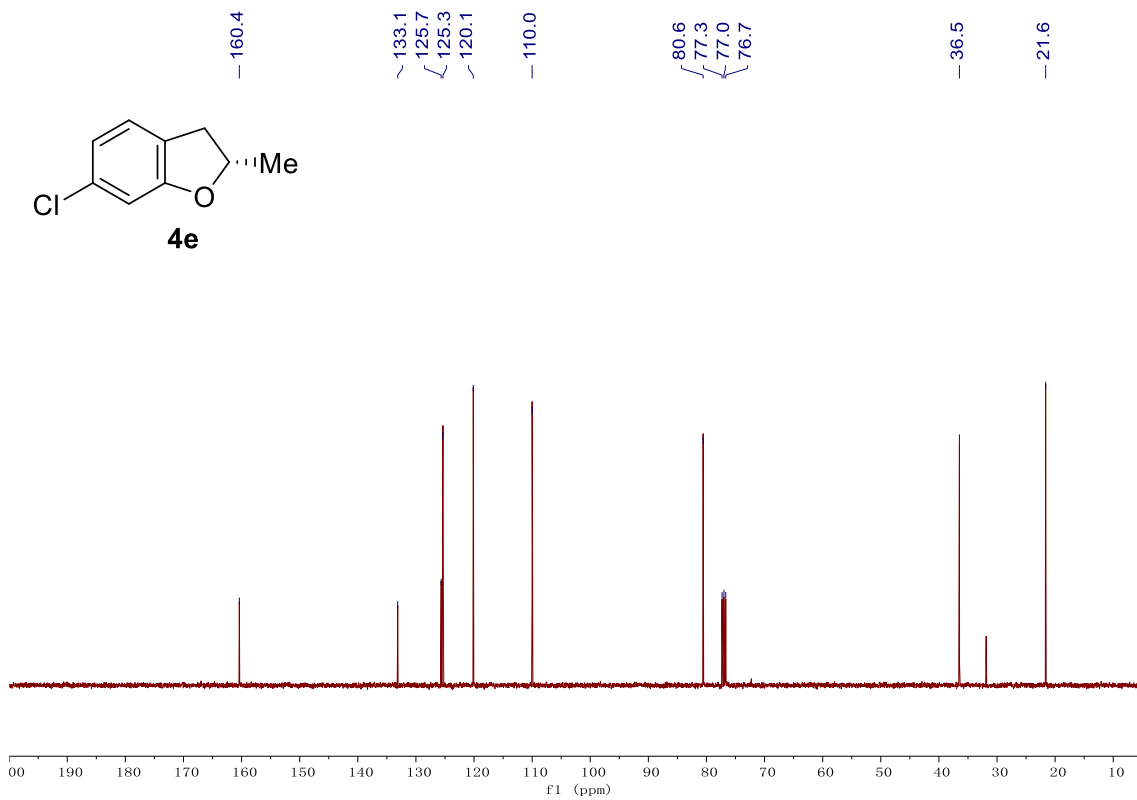




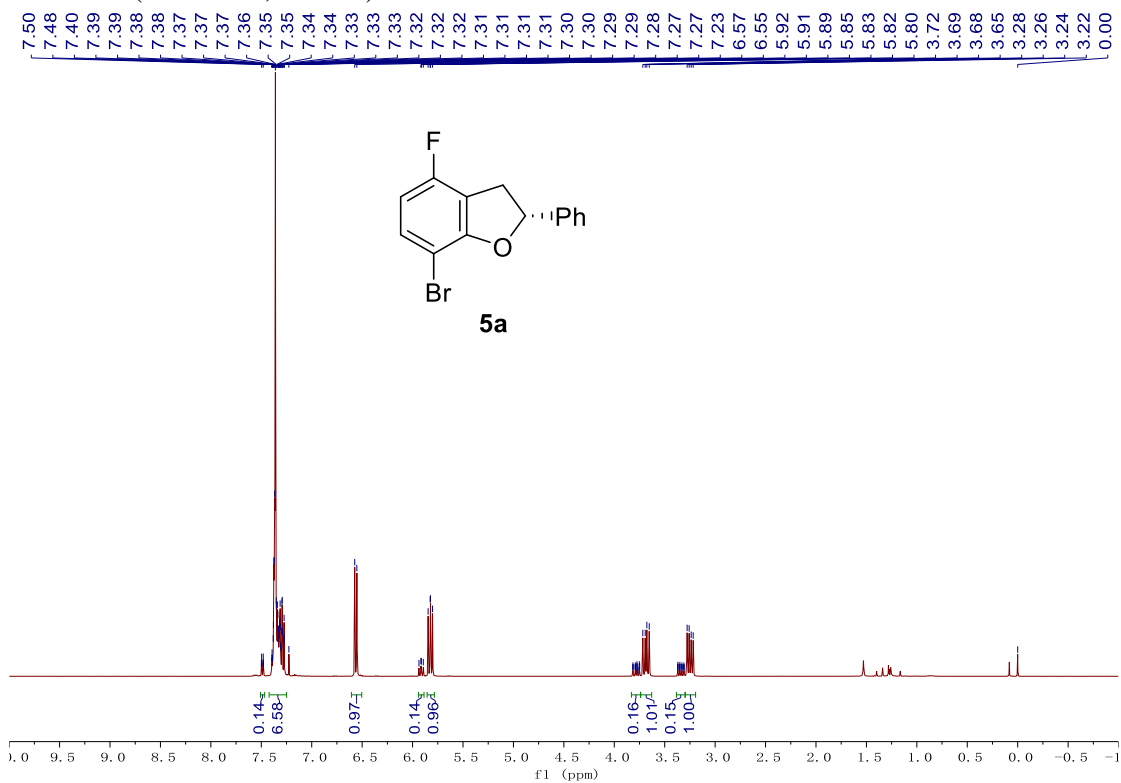
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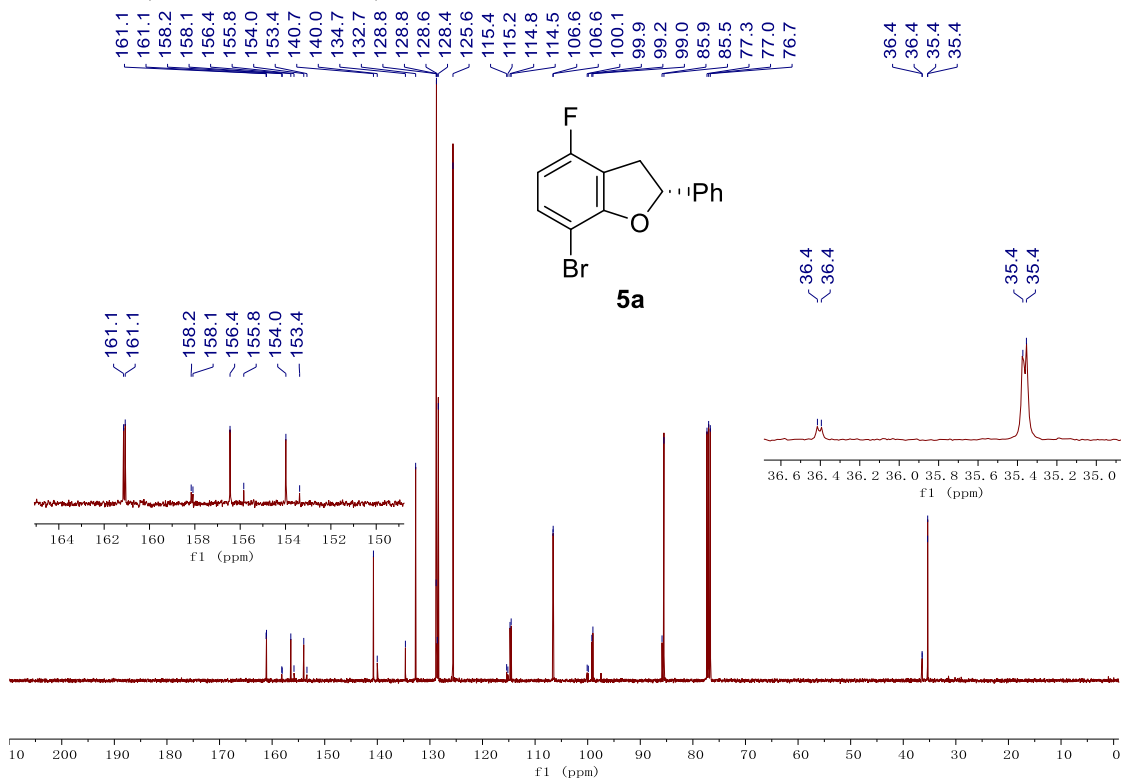
<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) spectra of **4e**



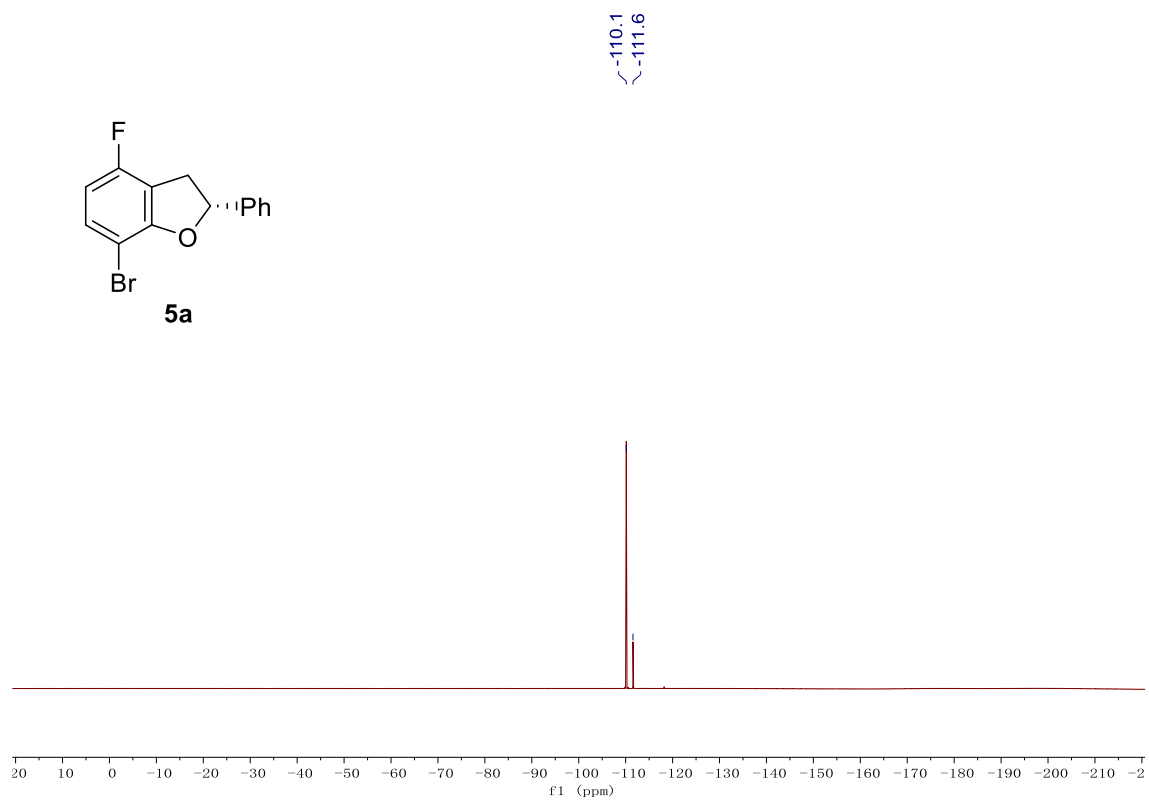
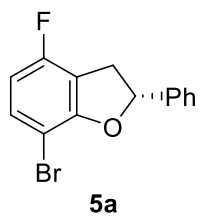
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of **5a**



<sup>13</sup>C NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of **5a**

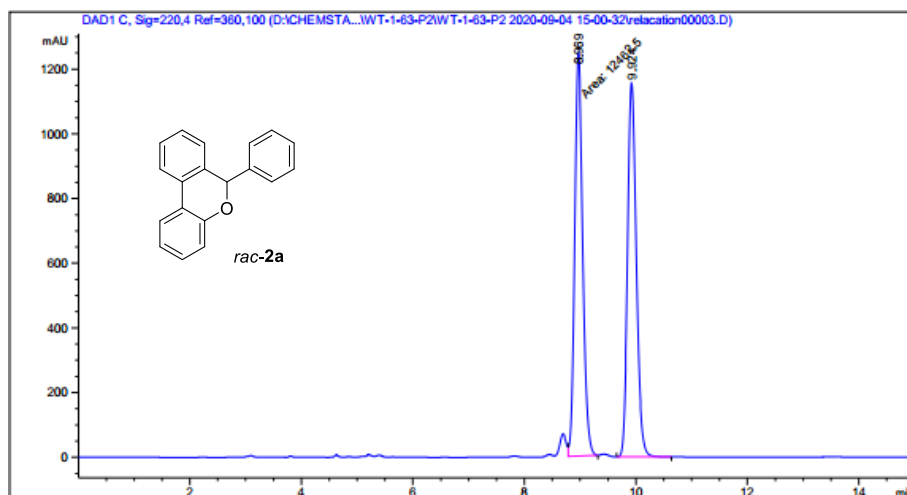


$^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of **5a**



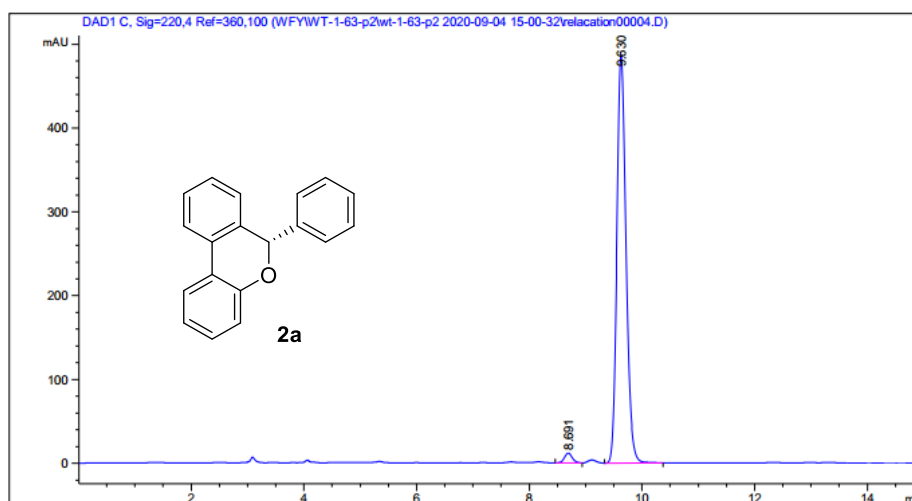
## 6. HPLC Spectra of the Products

HPLC spectra of **2a**



Signal 1: DAD1 C, Sig=220,4 Ref=360,100

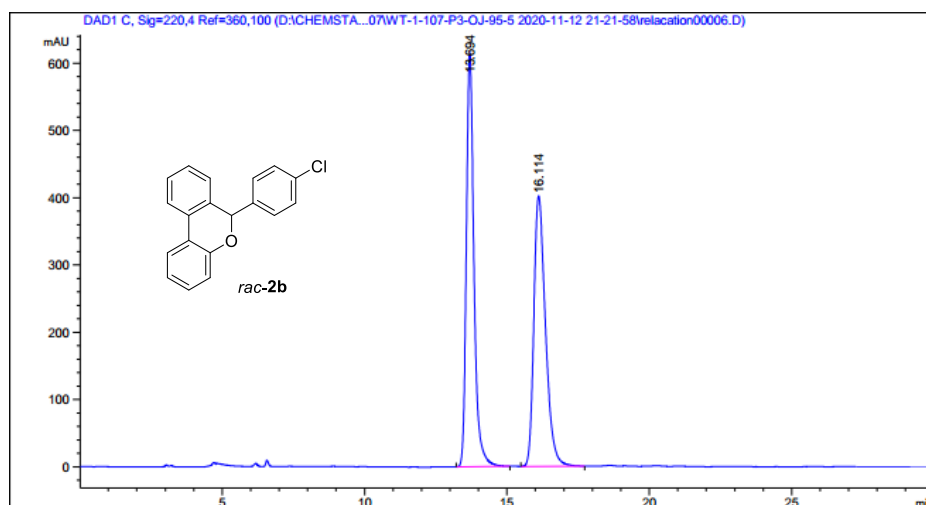
Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	8.969	FM	0.1669	1.24625e4	1244.70911	49.9398
2	9.924	BB	0.1660	1.24926e4	1156.89917	50.0602



Signal 1: DAD1 C, Sig=220,4 Ref=360,100

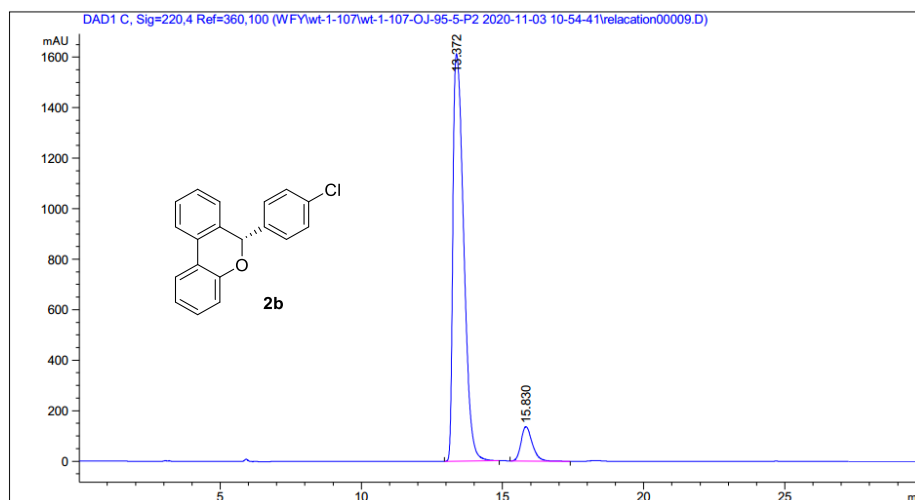
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1	8.691	BV	0.1495	114.63356	11.78438	2.0500
2	9.630	BB	0.1735	5477.12744	486.02441	97.9500

## HPLC spectra of 2b



Signal 1: DAD1 C, Sig=220,4 Ref=360,100

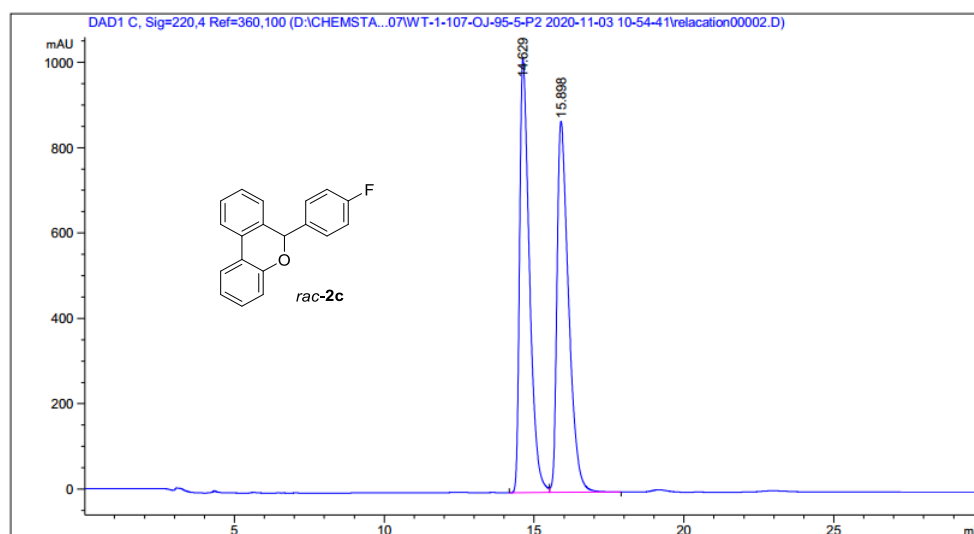
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1	13.694	BB	0.2837	1.14168e4	611.70081	50.0571
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Signal 1: DAD1 C, Sig=220,4 Ref=360,100

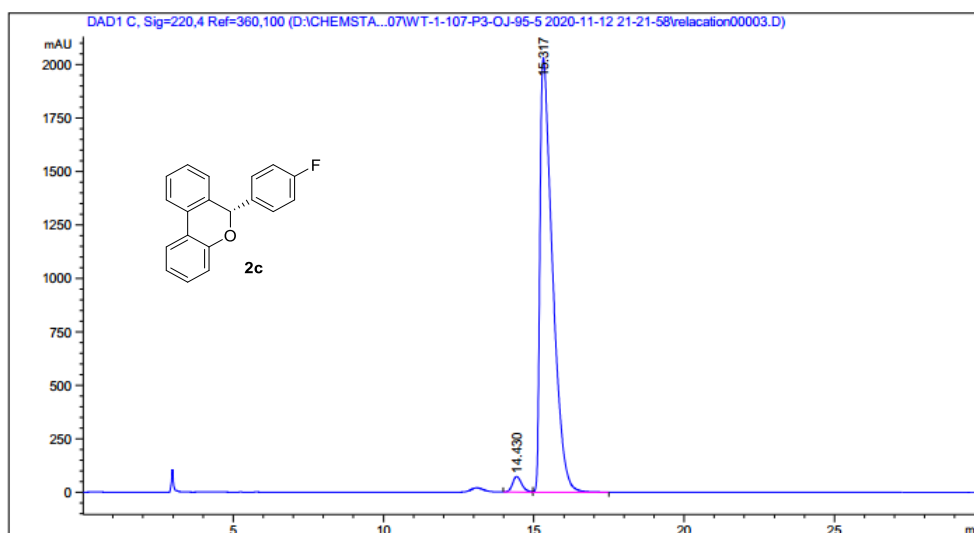
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1	13.372	BB	0.4235	4.27678e4	1612.35168	91.9195
2	15.830	BB	0.4220	3759.62305	136.21463	8.0805

## HPLC spectra of 2c



Signal 1: DAD1 C, Sig=220,4 Ref=360,100

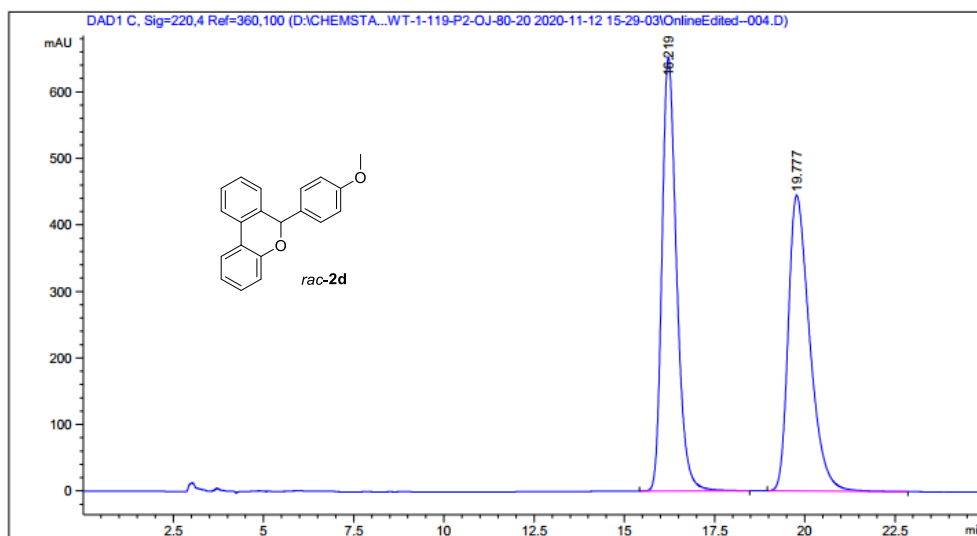
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1	14.629	BV	0.3447	2.32466e4	1016.93384	49.8552
2	15.898	VB	0.4057	2.33816e4	869.68231	50.1448



Signal 1: DAD1 C, Sig=220,4 Ref=360,100

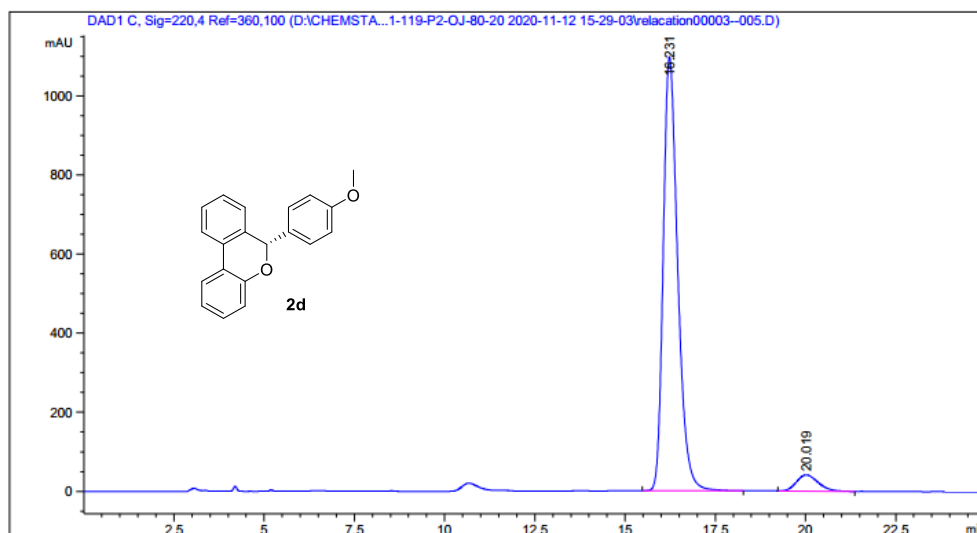
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1	14.430	BV	0.3263	1543.90784	72.53063	2.5681
2	15.317	VB	0.4345	5.85745e4	2030.53772	97.4319

## HPLC spectra of 2d



Signal 1: DAD1 C, Sig=220,4 Ref=360,100

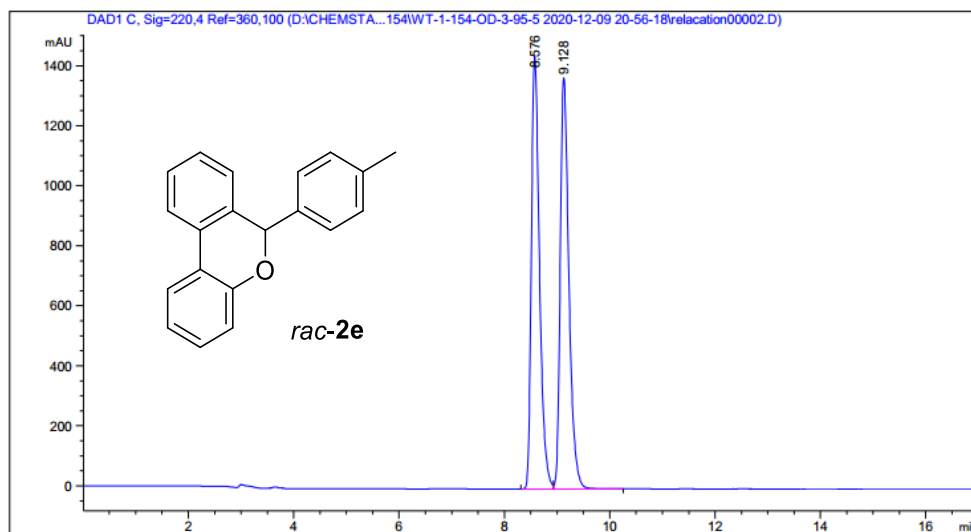
Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	16.219	BB	0.4301	1.83458e4	652.30231	50.0650
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Signal 1: DAD1 C, Sig=220,4 Ref=360,100

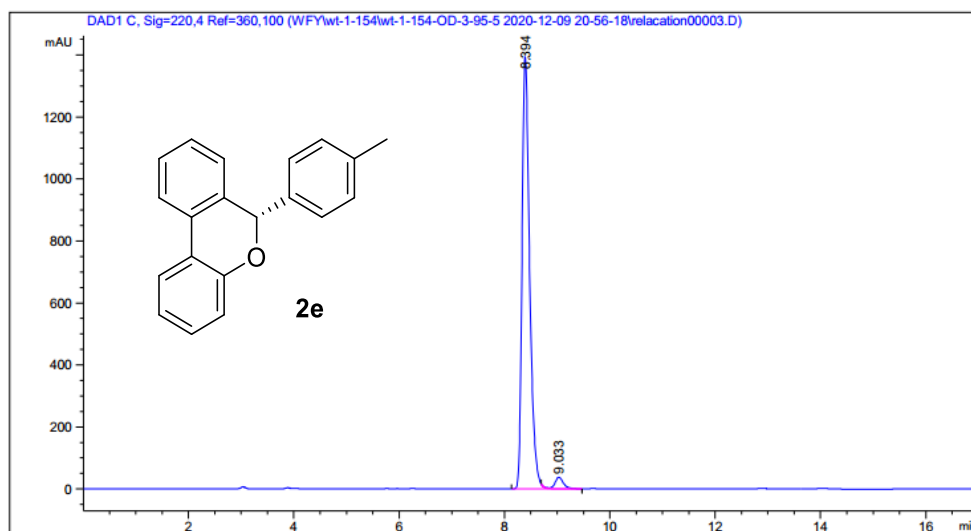
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1	16.231	BB	0.4266	3.05123e4	1096.71619	94.6973
2	20.019	BB	0.6381	1708.56909	41.00250	5.3027

## HPLC spectra of 2e



Signal 1: DAD1 C, Sig=220,4 Ref=360,100

Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	8.576	BV	0.1652	1.54951e4	1443.85791	49.7183
2	9.128	VB	0.1735	1.56707e4	1369.66626	50.2817

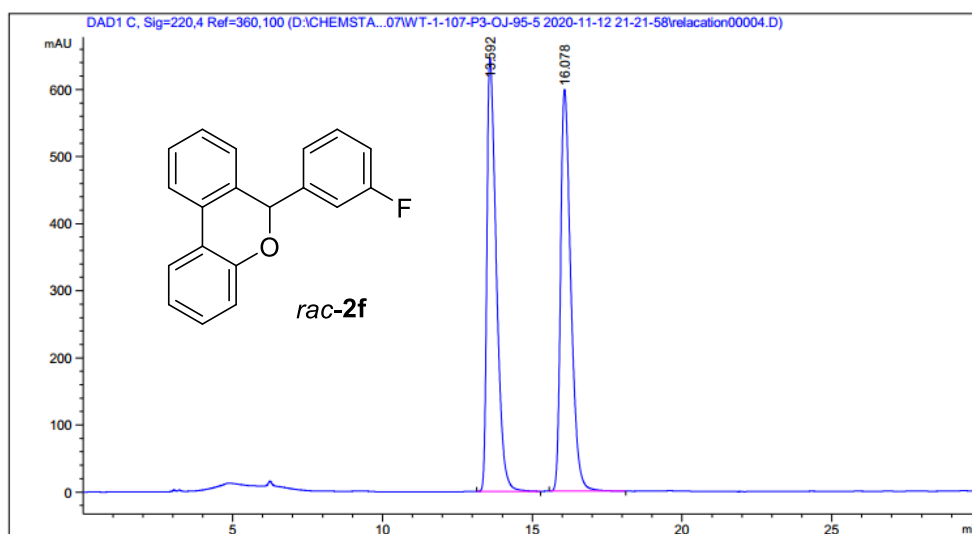


Signal 1: DAD1 C, Sig=220,4 Ref=360,100

Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	8.394	BV R	0.1528	1.39576e4	1394.38110	97.1610
2	9.033	VB E	0.1661	407.84030	37.14923	2.8390

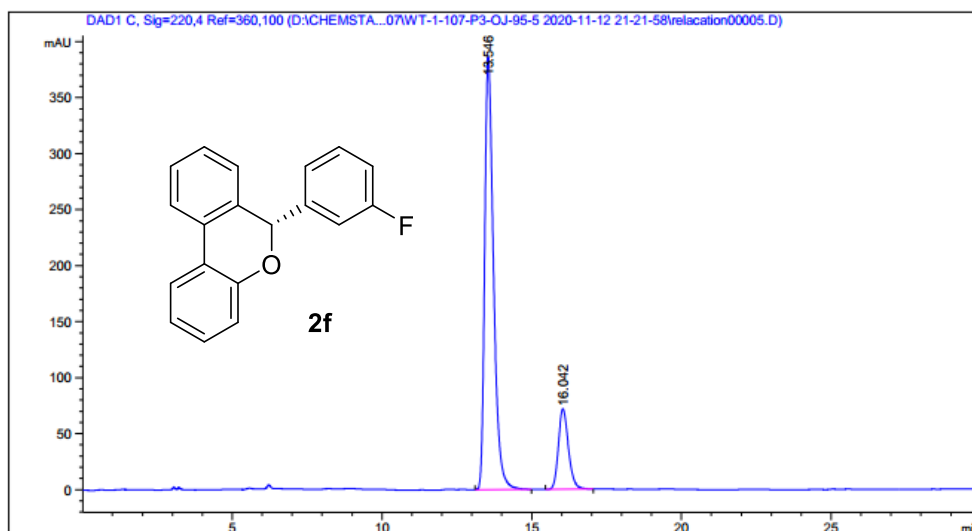


## HPLC spectra of 2f



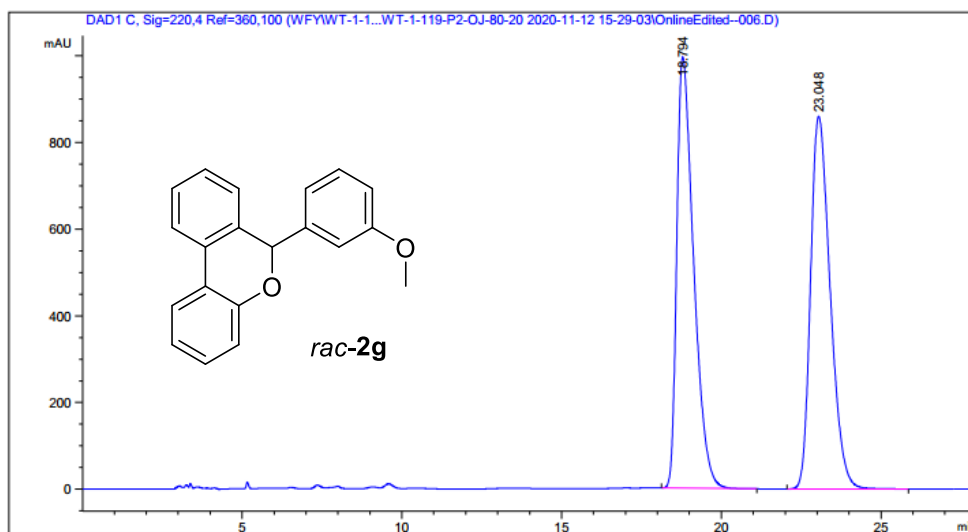
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Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	13.592	BB	0.3364	1.41806e4	645.35284	49.8569
2	16.078	BB	0.3638	1.42620e4	598.89777	50.1431



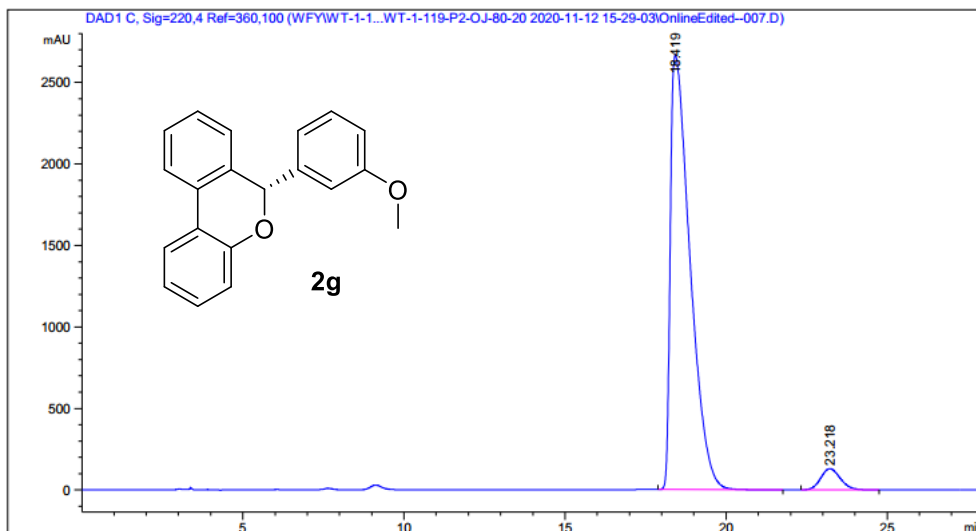
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1	13.546	BB	0.3155	7932.94043	386.37384	82.5976
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## HPLC spectra of 2g



Signal 1: DAD1 C, Sig=220,4 Ref=360,100

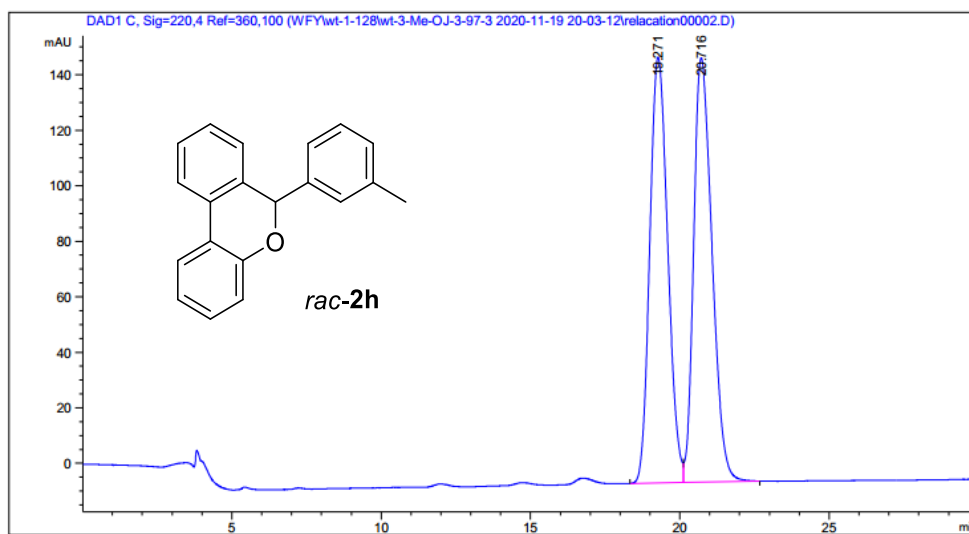
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2	23.048	BB	0.6547	3.66331e4	860.51050	50.1796



Signal 1: DAD1 C, Sig=220,4 Ref=360,100

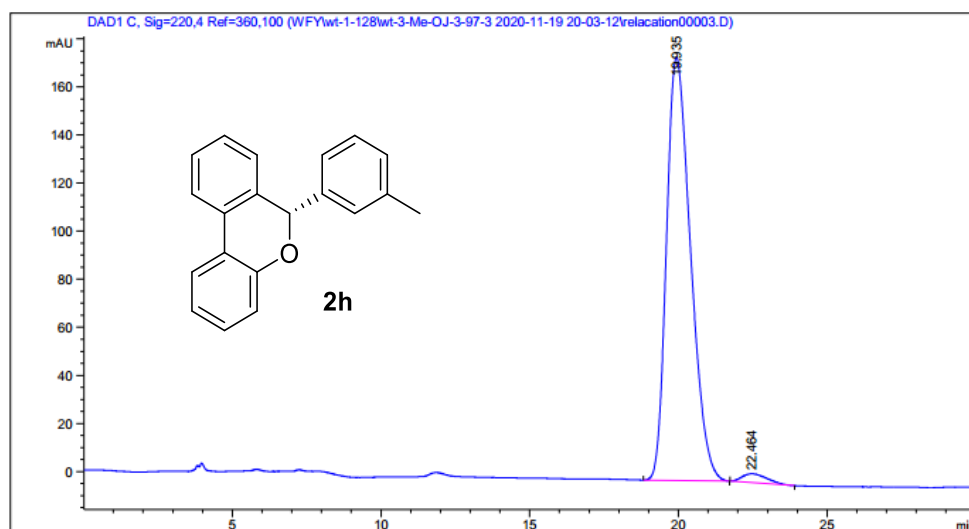
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1	18.419	BB	0.5535	1.12854e5	2667.82666	95.3653
2	23.218	BB	0.6547	5484.62158	129.86960	4.6347

## HPLC spectra of 2h



Signal 1: DAD1 C, Sig=220,4 Ref=360,100

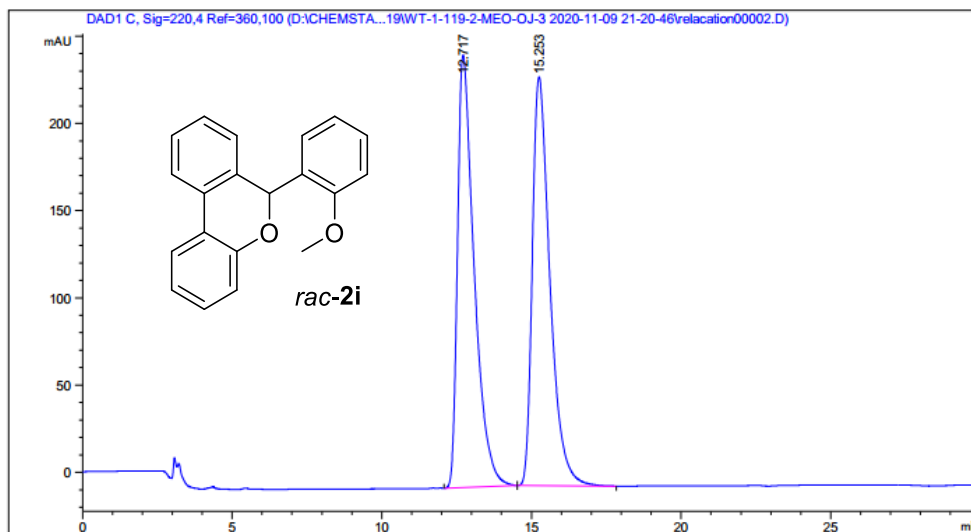
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2	20.716	VB	0.6722	6530.75244	152.93167	50.4604



Signal 1: DAD1 C, Sig=220,4 Ref=360,100

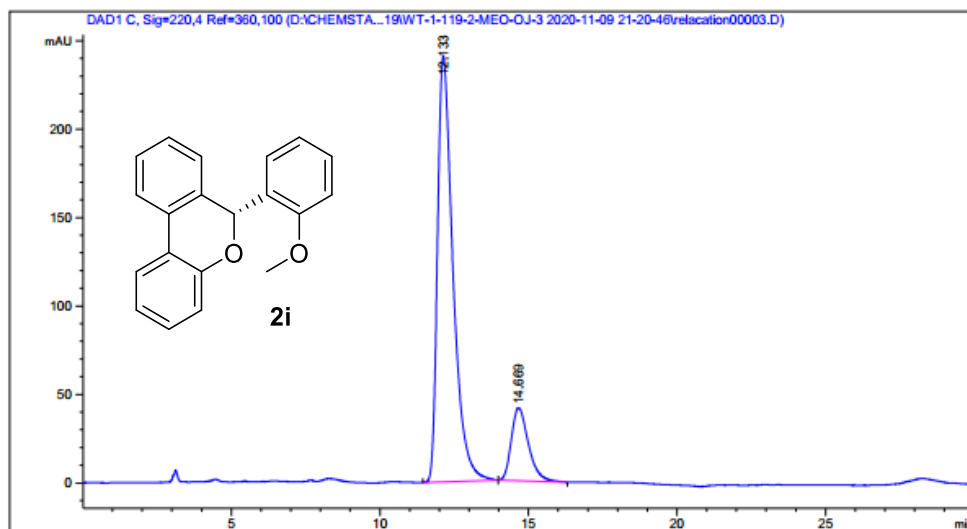
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1	19.935	BB	0.8555	9887.25195	175.96992	97.8407
2	22.464	BB	0.7056	218.21060	3.72423	2.1593

HPLC spectra of **2i**



Signal 1: DAD1 C, Sig=220,4 Ref=360,100

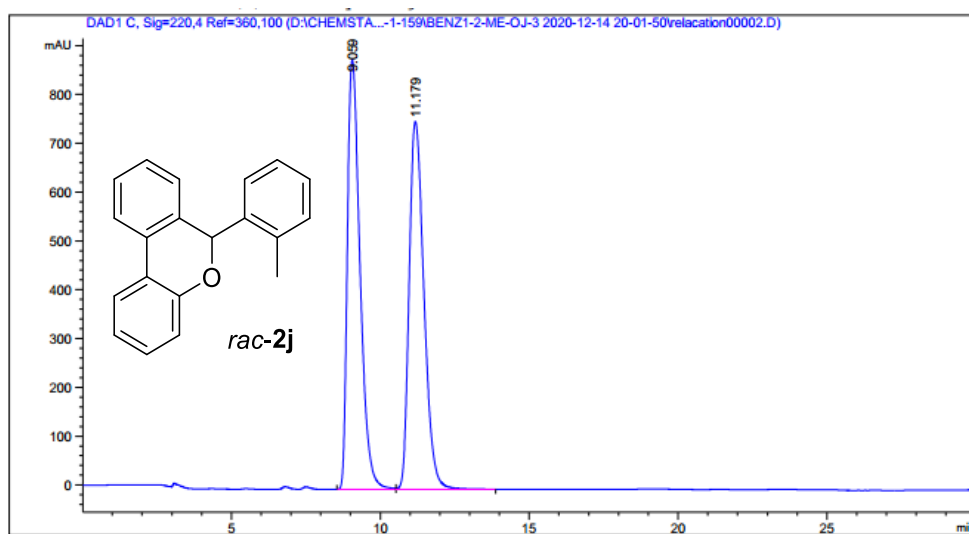
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1	12.717	BB	0.5730	9582.91016	247.88930	49.9819
2	15.253	BB	0.6193	9589.83203	234.39232	50.0181



Signal 1: DAD1 C, Sig=220,4 Ref=360,100

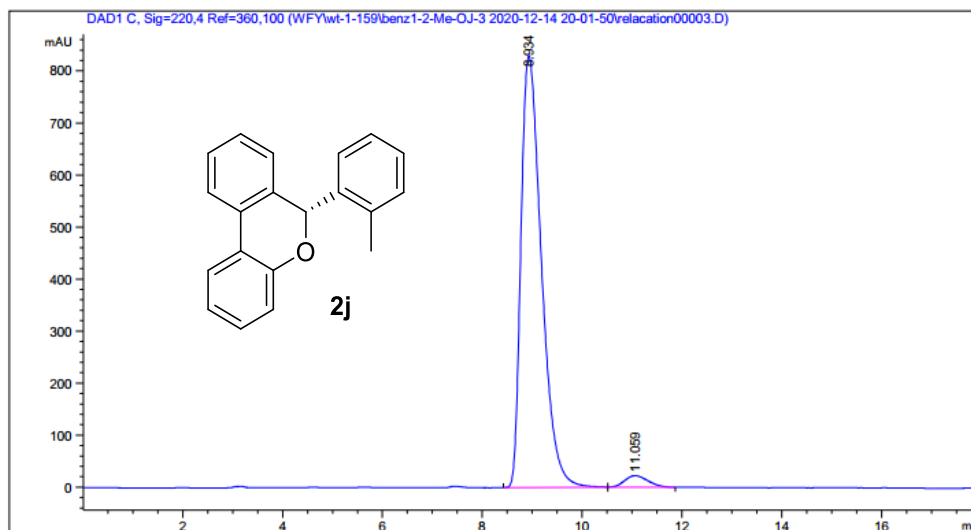
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2	14.669	BB	0.6059	1639.01331	41.21609	15.8734

HPLC spectra of **2j**



Signal 1: DAD1 C, Sig=220,4 Ref=360,100

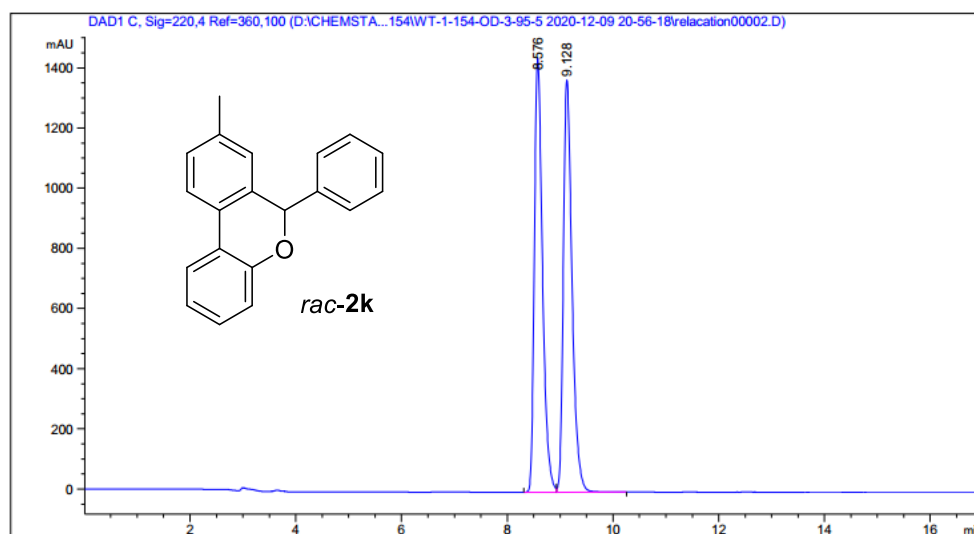
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Signal 1: DAD1 C, Sig=220,4 Ref=360,100

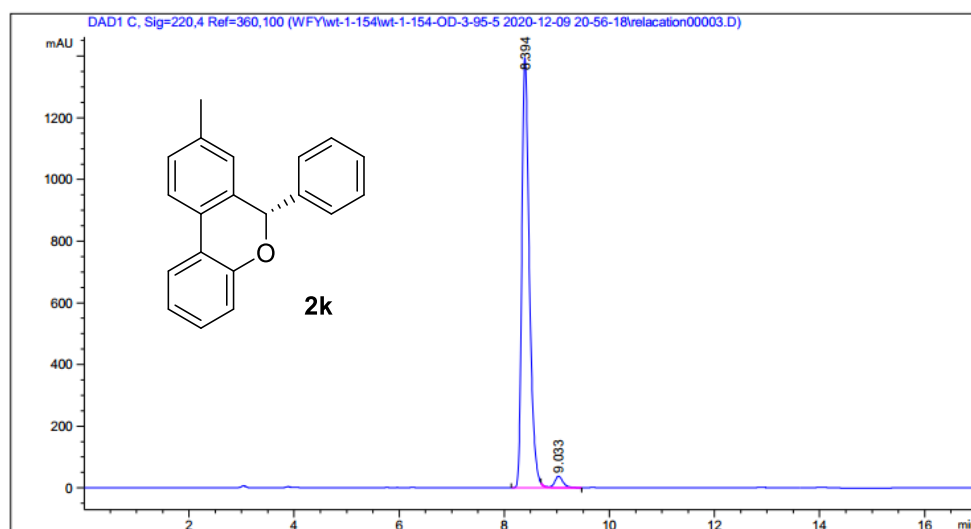
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## HPLC spectra of 2l



Signal 1: DAD1 C, Sig=220,4 Ref=360,100

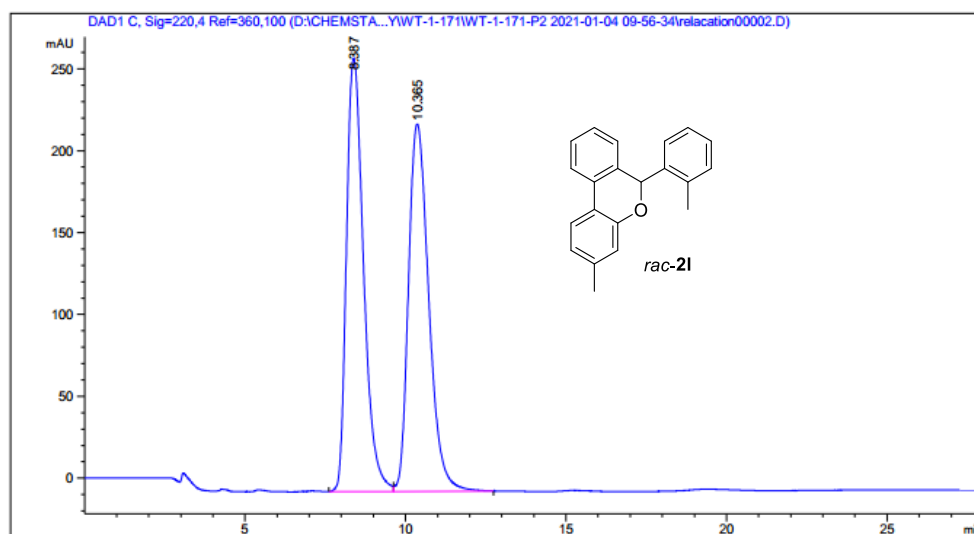
Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	8.576	BV	0.1652	1.54951e4	1443.85791	49.7183
2	9.128	VB	0.1735	1.56707e4	1369.66626	50.2817



Signal 1: DAD1 C, Sig=220,4 Ref=360,100

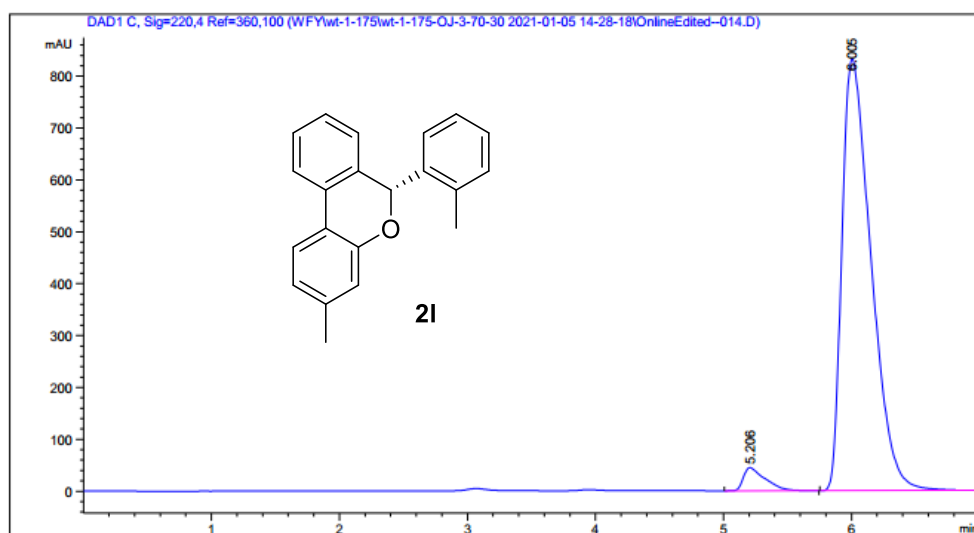
Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	8.394	BV R	0.1528	1.39576e4	1394.38110	97.1610
2	9.033	VB E	0.1661	407.84030	37.14923	2.8390

## HPLC spectra of 2I



Signal 1: DAD1 C, Sig=220,4 Ref=360,100

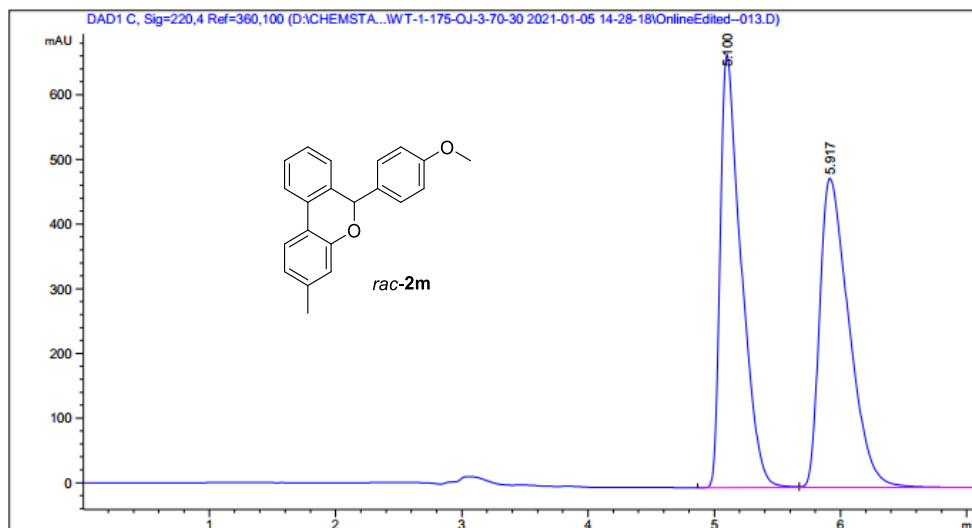
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Signal 1: DAD1 C, Sig=220,4 Ref=360,100

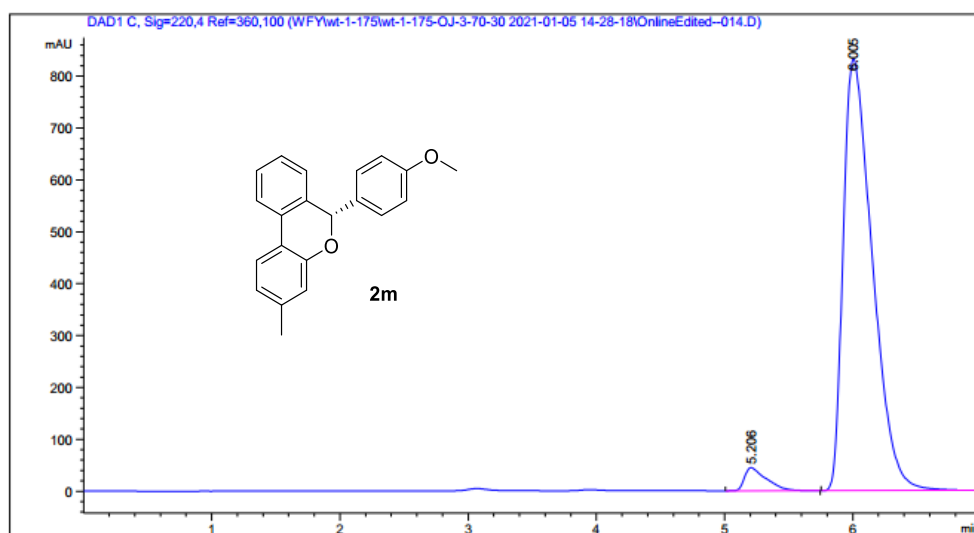
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1	5.206	BB	0.1649	525.93671	44.81403	3.8558
2	6.005	BBA	0.2438	1.31142e4	832.27734	96.1442

## HPLC spectra of **2m**



Signal 1: DAD1 C, Sig=220,4 Ref=360,100

Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
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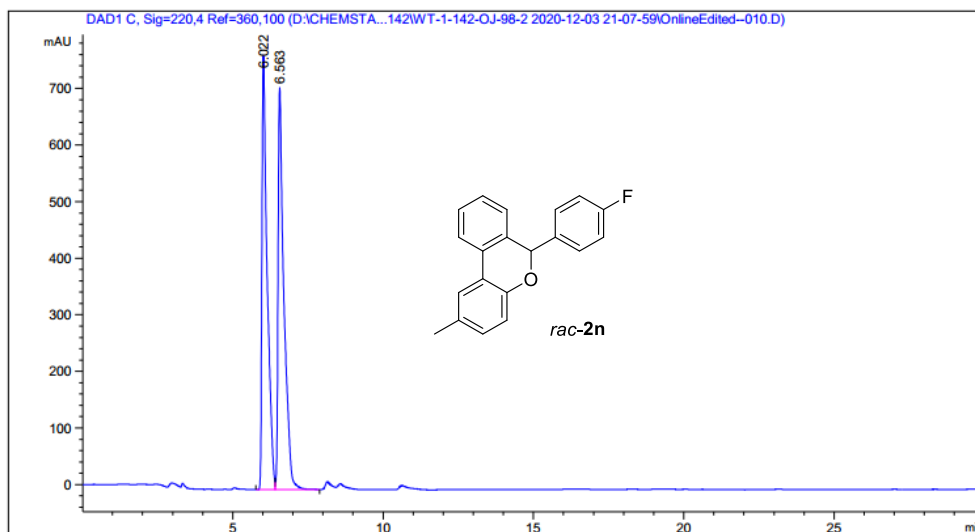


Signal 1: DAD1 C, Sig=220,4 Ref=360,100

Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	5.206	BB	0.1649	525.93671	44.81403	3.8558
2	6.005	BBA	0.2438	1.31142e4	832.27734	96.1442

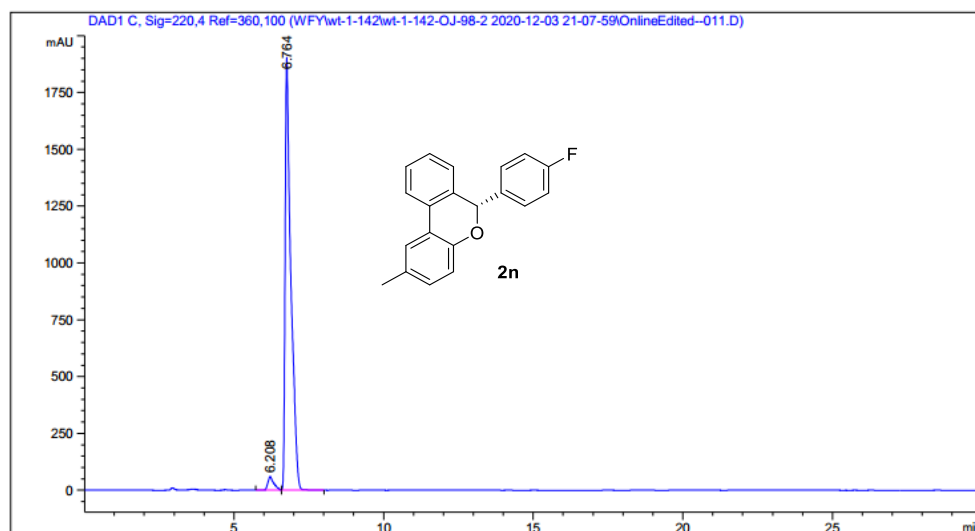


## HPLC spectra of 2n



Signal 1: DAD1 C, Sig=220,4 Ref=360,100

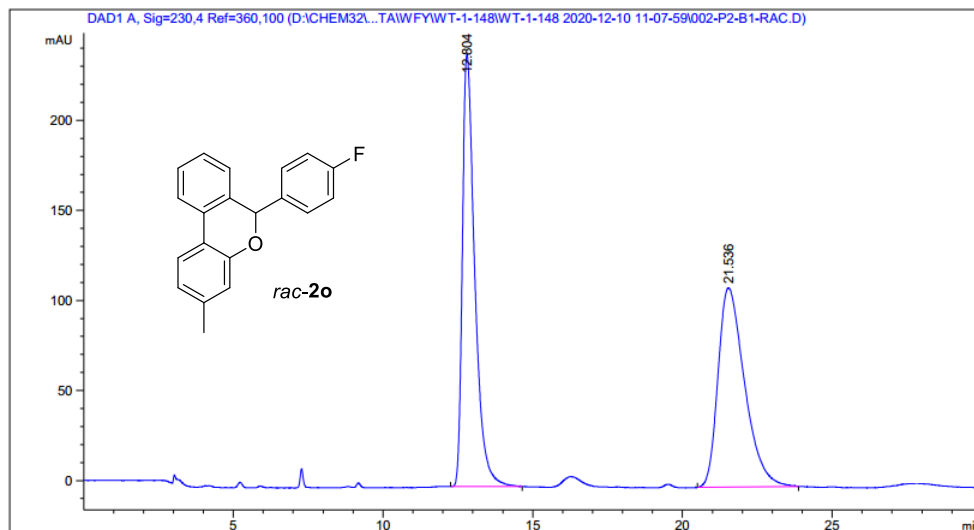
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1	6.022	BV	0.1681	9217.93750	767.82147	49.1509
2	6.563	VB	0.1865	9536.43848	711.01819	50.8491



Signal 1: DAD1 C, Sig=220,4 Ref=360,100

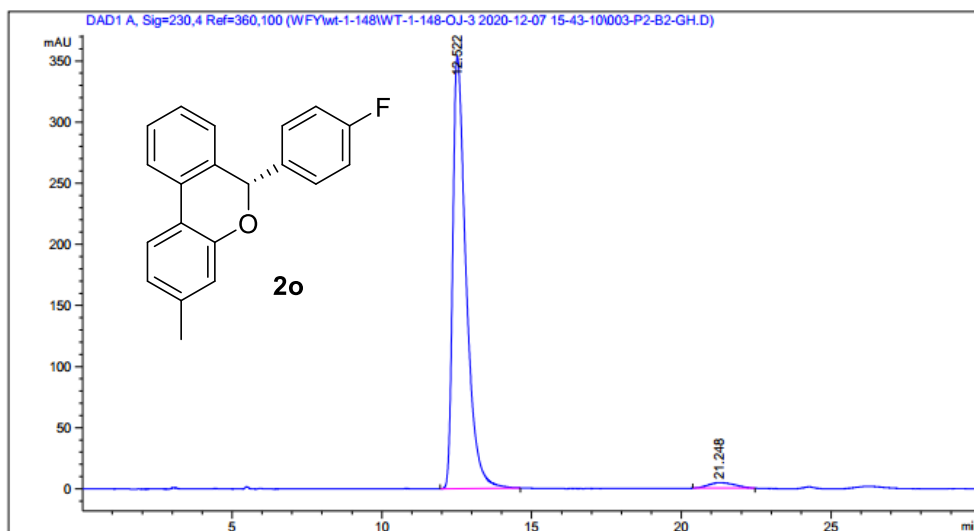
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1	6.208	VV R	0.1888	840.06775	60.94250	3.1835
2	6.764	VB	0.1864	2.55479e4	1905.57568	96.8165

## HPLC spectra of **2o**



Signal 1: DAD1 A, Sig=230,4 Ref=360,100

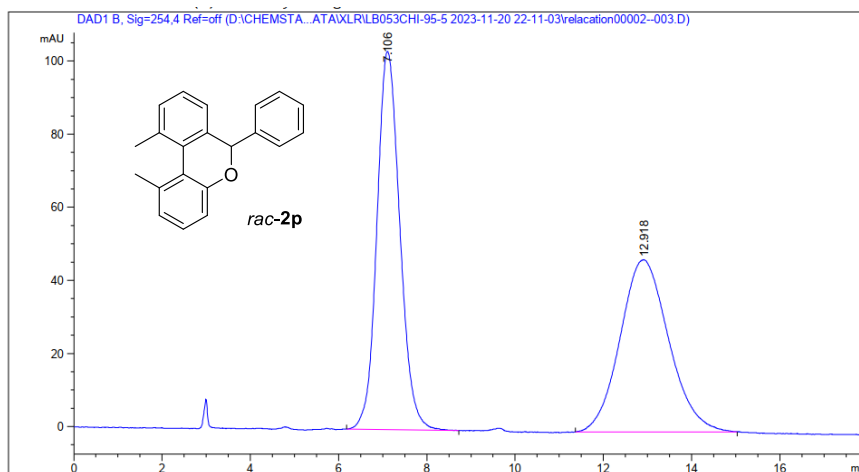
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1	12.804	BB	0.4338	6906.73193	239.99565	50.3216
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Signal 1: DAD1 A, Sig=230,4 Ref=360,100

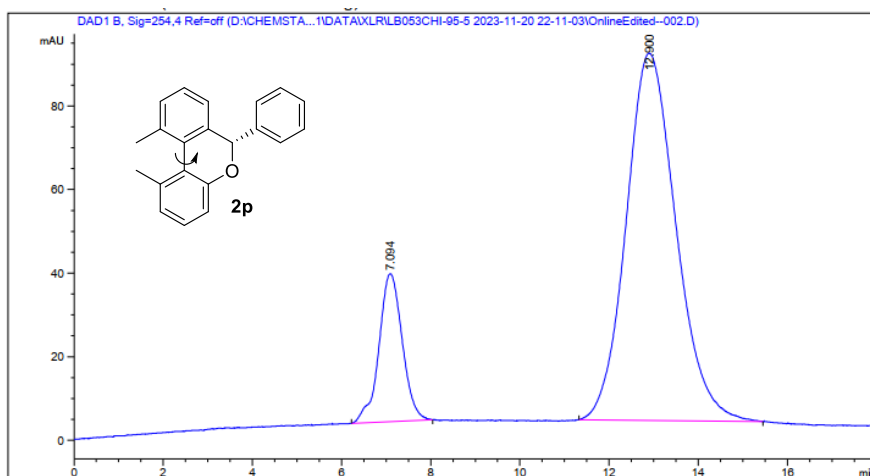
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1	12.522	BB	0.4629	1.09407e4	353.68549	97.5156
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## HPLC spectra of 2p



Signal 1: DAD1 B, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

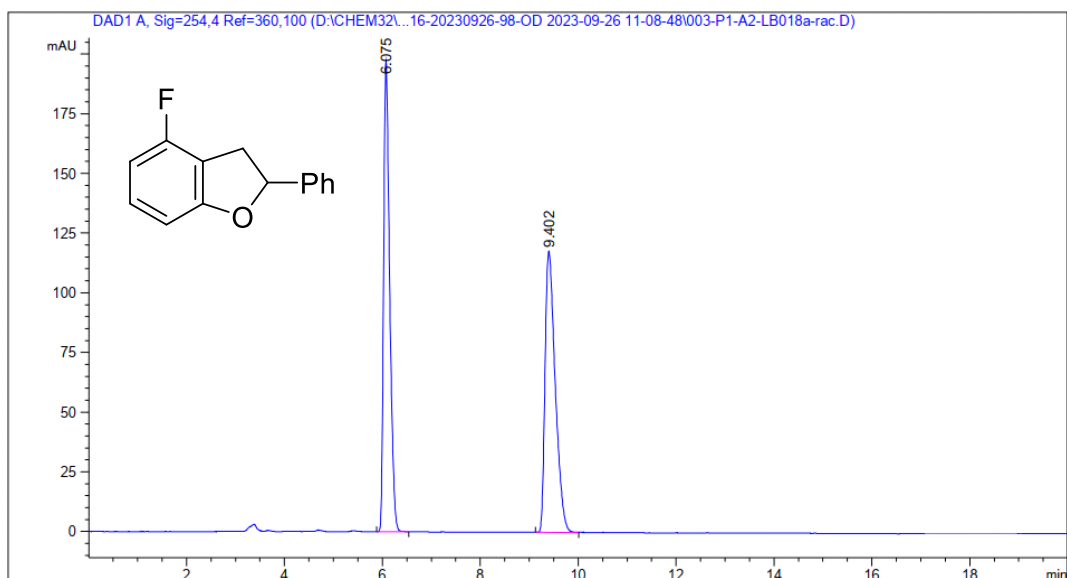
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1	7.106	BB	0.5634	3735.50708	103.42138	50.9475
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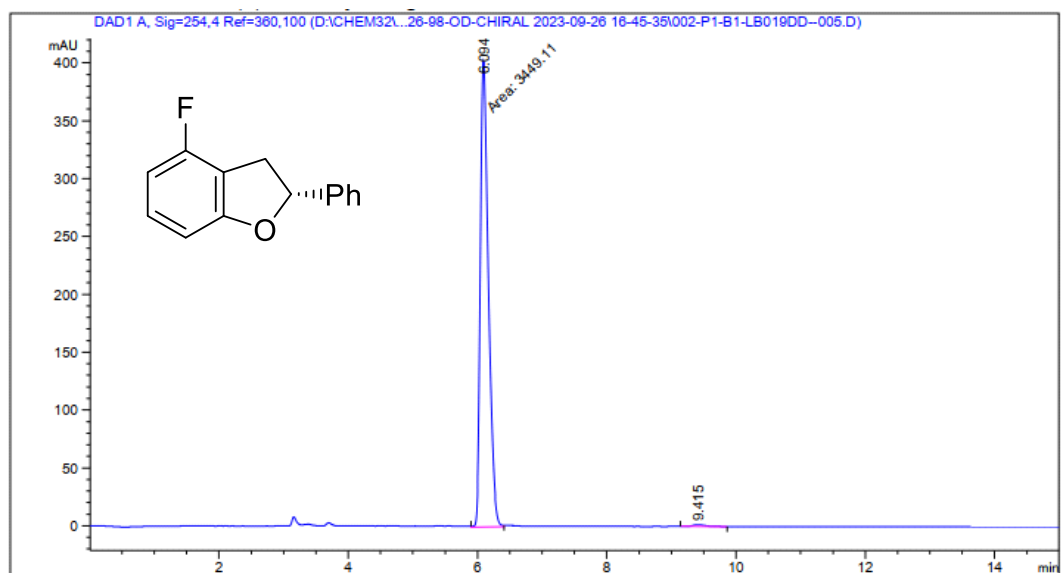
Signal 1: DAD1 B, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	7.094	BB	0.5415	1284.99854	35.39694	15.8565
2	12.900	BB	0.9451	6818.91943	87.89438	84.1435

## HPLC Spectra of 4a

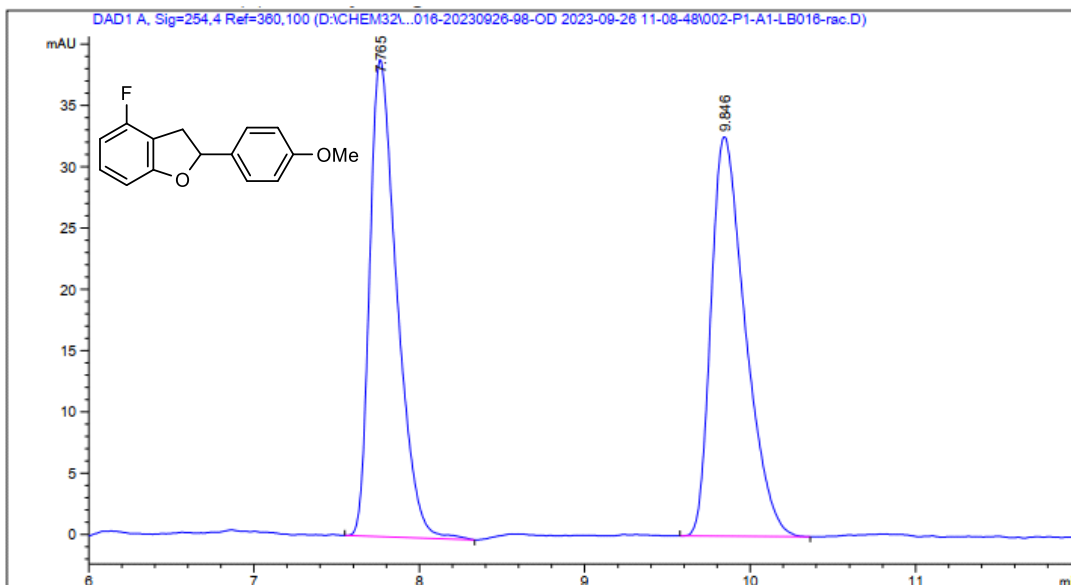


Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
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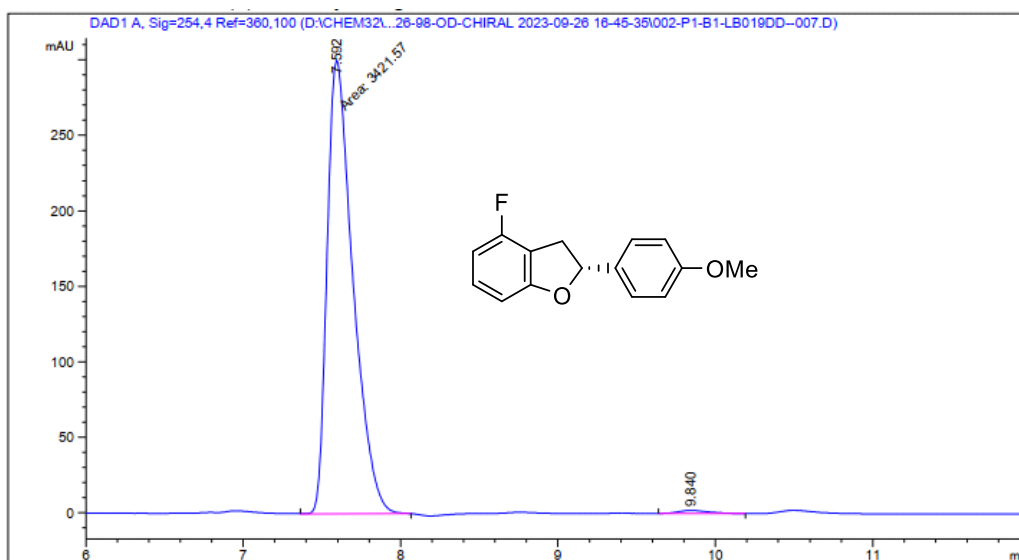


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1	6.094	MM	0.1427	3449.10840	402.84155	99.3915
2	9.415	BB	0.2039	21.11502	1.50298	0.6085

## HPLC spectra of 4b

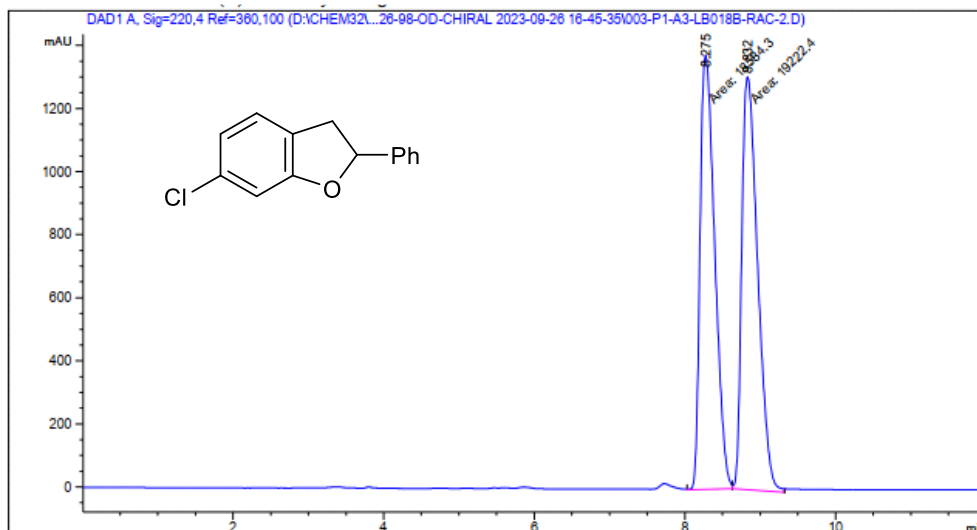


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1	7.765	BB	0.1707	442.66223	38.91879	48.5392
2	9.846	BB	0.2178	469.30646	32.62306	51.4608

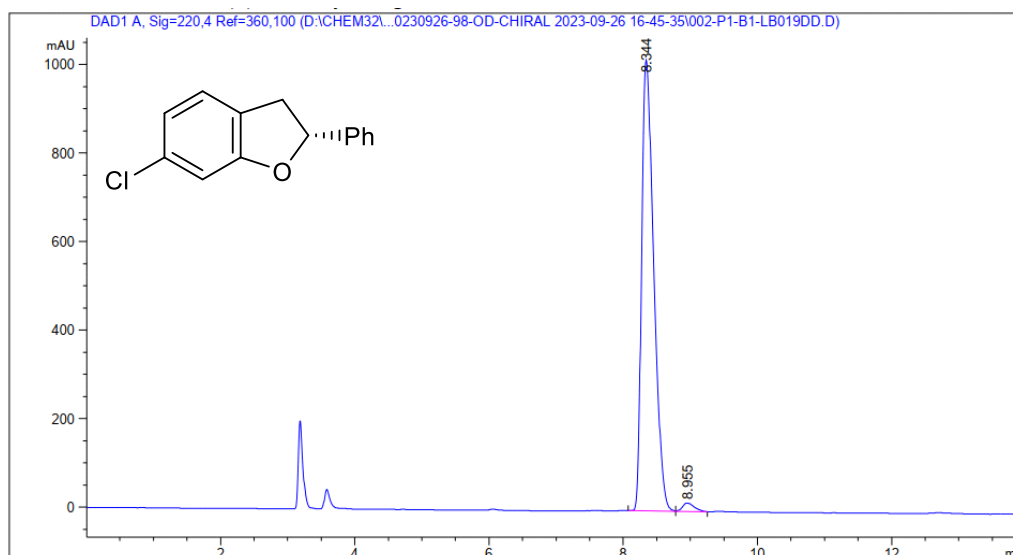


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1	7.592	MM	0.1900	3421.56616	300.16470	99.1847
2	9.840	BB	0.1989	28.12538	2.03892	0.8153

## HPLC spectra of 4c

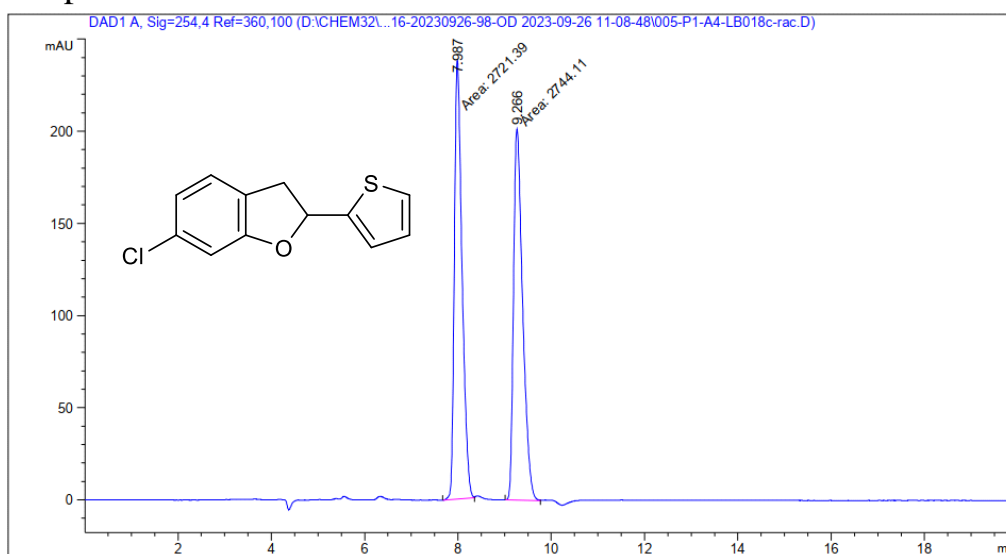


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1	8.275	MM	0.2252	1.85843e4	1375.27368	49.1560
2	8.832	MM	0.2447	1.92224e4	1309.39771	50.8440

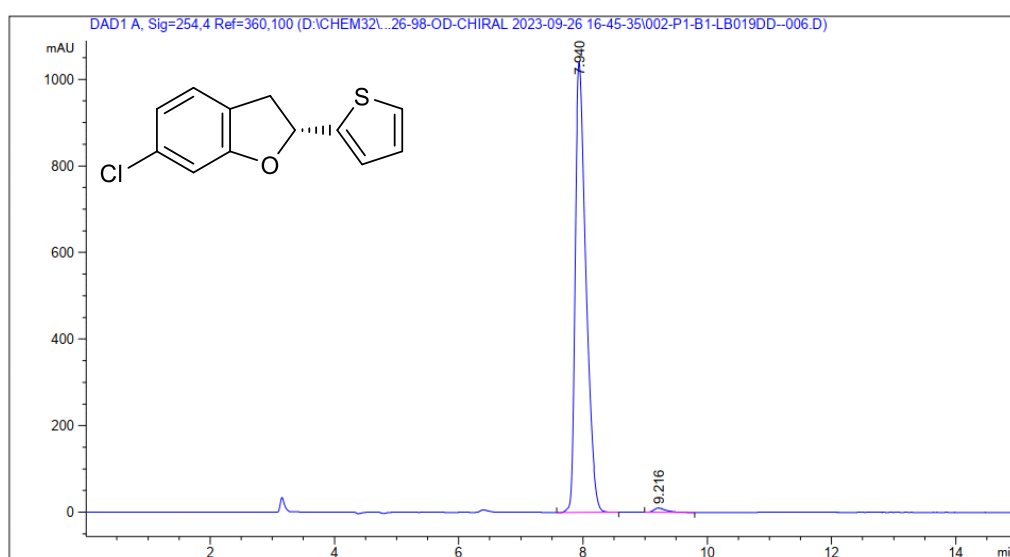


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1	8.344	BV	0.1920	1.27389e4	1018.18463	98.2250
2	8.955	VB	0.1818	230.20641	18.94492	1.7750

# HPLC spectra of 4d

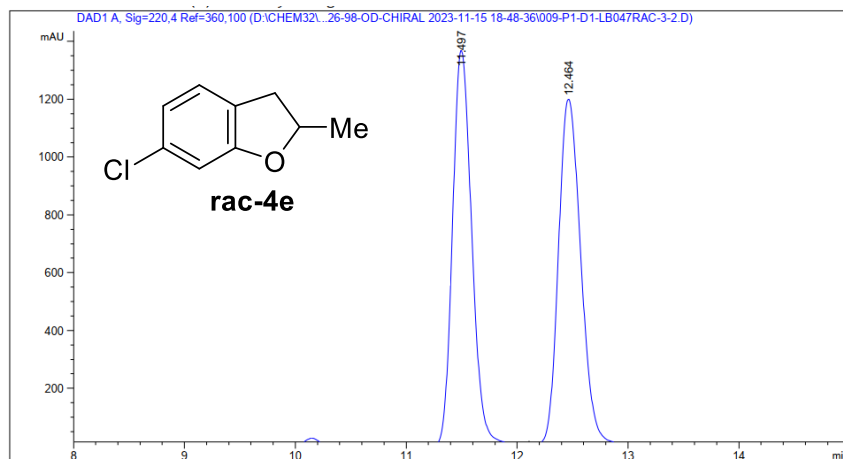


Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	7.987	MM	0.1905	2721.38770	238.08713	49.7921
2	9.266	MM	0.2269	2744.11304	201.56805	50.2079

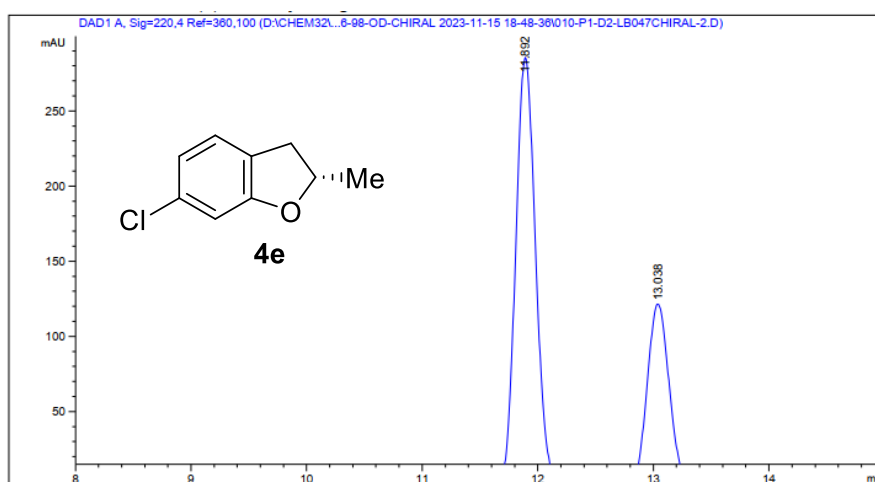


Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	7.940	BB	0.1809	1.25469e4	1038.81799	98.9437
2	9.216	BB	0.1978	133.95139	9.90094	1.0563

## HPLC spectra of 4e



Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	11.497	BV	0.1893	1.65813e4	1369.40454	49.3418
2	12.464	VV R	0.2233	1.70237e4	1201.26953	50.6582



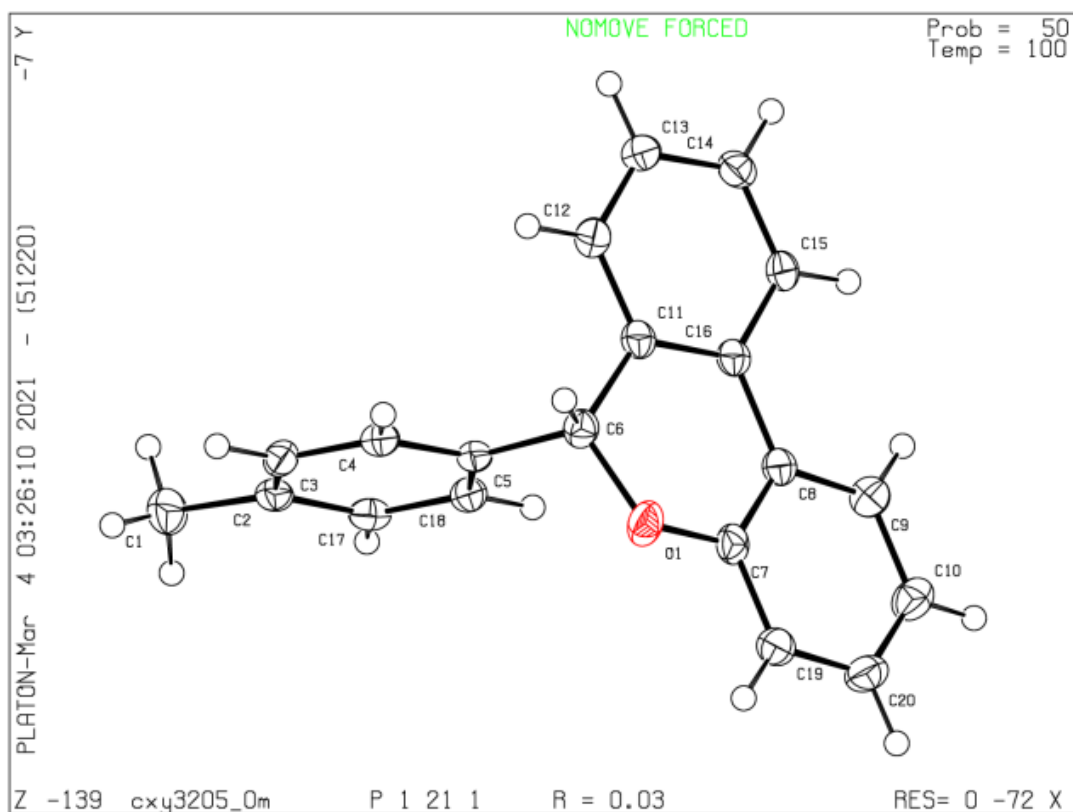
Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	11.892	VV R	0.1896	3547.44092	288.18481	67.2370
2	13.038	BB	0.2179	1728.58154	124.56258	32.7630

Totals : 5276.02246 412.74739



## 7. Crystallographic Information

The crystal data of compound **2j** has been deposited in CCDC with number 2079412.



**Table S3. Crystal data and structure refinement for cxy3205\_0m.**

Identification code	cxy3205_0m
Empirical formula	C <sub>20</sub> H <sub>16</sub> O
Formula weight	272.33
Temperature/K	100.0
Crystal system	orthorhombic
Space group	P2 <sub>1</sub>
a/Å	8.9234(7)
b/Å	5.6665(4)
c/Å	14.4134(11)
α/°	90
β/°	106.079(3)

$\gamma/^\circ$	90
Volume/ $\text{\AA}^3$	700.30(9)
Z	2
$\rho_{\text{calc}}/\text{g/cm}^3$	1.291
$\mu/\text{mm}^{-1}$	0.603
F(000)	288.0
Crystal size/ $\text{mm}^3$	$0.35 \times 0.33 \times 0.28$
Radiation	CuK $\alpha$ ( $\lambda = 1.54178$ )
2 $\Theta$ range for data collection/	6.382 to 136.36
Index ranges	$-10 \leq h \leq 10, -6 \leq k \leq 6, -17 \leq l \leq 17$
Reflections collected	13047
Independent reflections	2544 [ $R_{\text{int}} = 0.0301, R_{\text{sigma}} = 0.0213$ ]
Data/restraints/parameters	2544/1/192
Goodness-of-fit on $F^2$	1.050
Final R indexes [ $I \geq 2\sigma(I)$ ]	$R_1 = 0.0258, wR_2 = 0.0693$
Final R indexes [all data]	$R_1 = 0.0260, wR_2 = 0.0695$
Largest diff. peak/hole / $e \text{\AA}^{-3}$	0.15/-0.11
Flack parameter	0.17(7)

**Table S4. Fractional Atomic Coordinates ( $\times 10^4$ ) and Equivalent Isotropic Displacement Parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$ ) for cxy3205\_0m.  $U_{\text{eq}}$  is defined as 1/3 of of the trace of the orthogonalised  $U_{\text{ij}}$  tensor.**

Atom	x	y	z	U(eq)
O1	3941.8(14)	7166(2)	7557.5(9)	31.0(3)
C1	8005(2)	5746(4)	4449.4(13)	34.8(4)
C2	7324.1(18)	6108(3)	5287.4(11)	23.8(4)
C3	7663.9(18)	8116(3)	5859.6(12)	23.3(4)
C4	7079.9(18)	8398(3)	6654.0(11)	21.5(3)
C5	6150.0(17)	6665(3)	6892.6(10)	19.0(3)
C6	5614.6(18)	6952(3)	7797.9(11)	22.3(4)
C7	3029.4(19)	5345(3)	7712.1(11)	22.9(4)
C8	3626.9(19)	3403(3)	8292.7(11)	21.2(4)
C9	2575(2)	1686(3)	8415.8(12)	25.9(4)
C10	987(2)	1916(4)	7990.5(13)	29.6(4)
C11	6268.8(19)	5039(3)	8531.9(11)	21.8(3)

C12	7870.0(19)	5016(3)	8965.1(12)	26.1(4)
C13	8538.6(19)	3316(4)	9640.9(12)	27.9(4)
C14	7604.0(19)	1621(3)	9895.8(11)	24.9(4)
C15	6009.9(19)	1618(3)	9462.4(11)	21.8(3)
C16	5317.9(18)	3310(3)	8766.6(11)	19.9(3)
C17	6356.1(18)	4399(3)	5517.7(11)	22.6(3)
C18	5786.0(17)	4659(3)	6313.5(11)	21.4(3)
C19	1433.8(19)	5594(3)	7290.5(12)	27.1(4)
C20	416(2)	3880(4)	7436.2(12)	29.0(4)

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