

Supported Pd-catalyzed ring-opening and chemoselective aminocarbonylative coupling of benzoxazoles and aryl iodides

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A. General Information

High quality reagents and analytical grade solvents were purchased from Sigma Aldrich, TCI Chemicals, Merck and Sd Fine Chem. Ltd. Pd/C, Pd/Al₂O₃, and Pd(OAc)₂ and were purchased from TCI chemicals and Sigma Aldrich respectively. Reactions were monitored using TLC which was performed on pre-coated silica gel plates 60 F254 (purchased from Merck) in UV light detector. Silica gel (60-120 mesh size) for column chromatography purchased from Merck was used for the purification of compounds. ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded using a Bruker Avance 600 spectrometer operating at Bruker Avance 600 spectrometer (600 MHz, ¹H at 600 MHz, ¹³C at 151 MHz). Spectra were recorded at 25 °C in DMSO-*d*₆ [residual DMSO (δ_H 2.50 and 3.33 ppm) and DMSO (δ_C 39.52 ppm)] with TMS as an internal standard. Chemical shifts were recorded in δ (ppm) relative to the TMS and NMR solvent signal, coupling constants (*J*) are given in Hz and multiplicities of signals are reported as follows: s, singlet; d, doublet; t, triplet; m, multiplet; brs, broad singlet. Mass spectra were recorded on electrospray ionization (ESI) quadrupole time of flight (Q-TOF) mass spectrometer.

B. Procedure for the fabrication of polystyrene resin supported palladium (Pd@PS) catalyst.

The solution of 30 mg NaBH₄ in 10 mL of water was added to 1 g of Amberlite® IRA 900 Cl⁻ resin (PS) in a 50 mL flask. The resulting heterogeneous mixture was stirred for 4-5 h at room temperature. Then, partial borohydride exchanged resin was washed with water to neutralize the pH and later with acetone to remove excess of water from polymer. This exchanged polymer resin (PS-BH₄⁻) was dried under reduced pressure. The PS-BH₄⁻ (1 g) was added into the warm (100 °C) solution of palladium acetate (10 mg) in DMF and the mixture was stirred for few minutes or till the brown colour solution changed to colourless and white PS-BH₄⁻ simultaneously turned black giving Pd@PS catalyst. The Pd@PS catalyst was filtered through a cotton bed, washed with water and acetone, and dried under reduced pressure.

C. Optimization studies

Table S1: Effect of Oxalic acid equivalency:

Sr. No.	Oxalic acid (equiv.)	Isolated yield of 3a (%)
1	7	75
2	6	75
3	5	68
4	4	57

Reaction conditions: Inner vial: **1a** (1 equiv.), **2a** (1.5 equiv.), Pd@PS (3 mol%), K₂CO₃ (1.5 equiv.), Imidazole (1 equiv.), 1.5 mL of DMF; Outer vial: oxalic acid in 0.5 mL of DMF heated for 24 h at 130 °C

Table S2: Screening of solvent:

Sr. No.	Solvent	Isolated yield of 3a (%)
1	DMF	75
2	Toluene	nd
3	Xylene	nd
4	PEG-400	32
5	DMA	65
6	1,4 Dioxane	nd
7	Nitromethane	nd
8	Anisole	nd

Reaction conditions: Inner vial: **1a** (1 equiv.), **2a** (1.5 equiv.), Pd@PS (3 mol%), K₂CO₃ (1.5 equiv.), Imidazole (1 equiv.), 1.5 mL of solvent; Outer vial: oxalic acid (6 equiv.) in 0.5 mL of DMF heated for 24 h at 130 °C

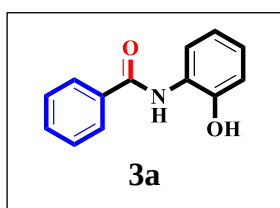
Table S3: Screening of time:

Sr. No.	Time (hrs)	Isolated yield of 3a (%)
1	8	40
2	16	64
3	20	70
4	24	75

Reaction conditions: Inner vial: **1a** (1 equiv.), **2a** (1.5 equiv.), Pd@PS (3 mol%), K₂CO₃ (1.5 equiv.), Imidazole (1 equiv.), 1.5 mL of DMF; Outer vial: oxalic acid (6 equiv.) in 0.5 mL of DMF.

D. General experimental procedure and characterization data for the synthesized compounds

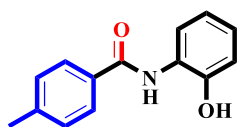
N-(2-hydroxyphenyl)benzamide (**3a**)



We executed the reaction using Double-Vial (DV) system comprises of inner vial of 2 mL and outer vial of 5 mL and the entire system was fitted with PTFE faced black solid cap. Initially, the inner vial of the DV system was charged with Iodobenzene **1a** (0.245 mmol, 27.3 μ L), benzoxazole **2a** (0.490 mmol, 58 mg), Pd@PS (0.007 mmol, 154 mg), K₂CO₃ (0.36 mmol, 50 mg), imidazole (0.245, 16.6 mg) and DMF (1.5 mL) while the outer vial contained oxalic acid (1.47 mmol, 132 mg) in 0.5 mL of DMF. Thereafter, the inner vial having contents was positioned carefully inside the outer vial (5 mL) containing oxalic acid/DMF (0.5 mL). Further, the entire system was capped with the solid PTFE faced

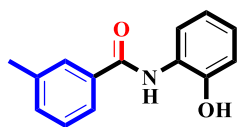
cap and further tightened with Teflon tape to check the leakage of gas. The whole system was allowed to heat in oil bath at 130 °C for 24 hrs. The reaction progress was observed with the help of TLC. After the accomplishment of the reaction, the inner vial containing contents was removed and the contents of the inner vial were transferred to a separatory funnel. Further, 3 mL of water was added in the reaction mixture and organic contents were extracted with ethyl acetate. The combined organic layer was passed over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The concentrated crude mixture was further purified by silica gel (mesh 60:120) column chromatography (15% EtOAc in *n*-hexane) afforded **3a** as light pink solid (39 mg, 75% yield); ¹H (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm) 9.75 (s, 1H), 9.52 (s, 1H), 7.97-7.98 (m, 2H), 7.68-7.70 (m, 1H), 7.58-7.61 (m, 1H), 7.52-7.55 (m, 1H), 7.03-7.06 (m, 1H), 6.92-6.94 (m, 1H), 6.83-6.85 (m, 1H); ¹³C (CDCl₃, 151 MHz) δ (ppm) 165.44, 149.51, 134.56, 131.84, 128.69, 127.67, 126.06, 125.87, 124.28, 119.22, 116.18. ESI-MS [M+H]⁺ (*m/z*) calcd. for C₁₃H₁₂NO₂⁺ is 214.0863, obsd. 214.0856.

***N*-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-4-methylbenzamide (3b)**



Prepared as described for **3a**; reaction of 4-iodotoluene **1b** (0.229 mmol, 50 mg), benzoxazole **2a** (0.343 mmol, 41 mg), Pd@PS (0.006 mmol, 134 mg), K₂CO₃ (0.343 mmol, 42 mg), imidazole (0.229, 15.5 mg) and DMF (1.5 mL) while the outer vial contained oxalic acid (1.37 mmol, 123 mg) in 0.5 mL of DMF gave **3b** after purification silica gel (mesh 60:120) column chromatography (15 % EtOAc in *n*-hexane) as Light pink solid (36 mg, 69% yield); ¹H (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm) 9.78 (s, 1H), 9.48 (s, 1H), 7.89 (d, *J*=7.86 Hz, 2H), 7.72 (d, *J*=7.80 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (d, *J*=7.86 Hz, 2H), 7.03-7.05 (t, *J*=7.62 Hz, 1H), 6.95 (d, *J*=7.92 Hz, 1H), 6.83-6.86 (t, *J*=7.56 Hz, 1H), 2.38 (s, 3H); ¹³C (CDCl₃, 151 MHz) δ (ppm) 165.66, 149.61, 142.21, 131.99, 129.54, 128.01, 126.54, 126.01, 124.30, 119.57, 116.55, 21.48. ESI-MS [M+H]⁺ (*m/z*) calcd. for C₁₄H₁₄NO₂⁺ is 228.1019, obsd. 228.1024.

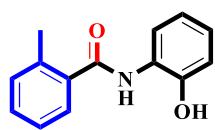
***N*-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-3-methylbenzamide (3c)**



Prepared as described for **3a**; reaction of 3-iodotoluene **1c** (0.229 mmol, 29.5 μ L), benzoxazole **2a** (0.343 mmol, 41 mg), Pd@PS (0.006 mmol, 134 mg), K₂CO₃ (0.343 mmol, 42 mg), imidazole (0.229, 15.5 mg) and DMF (1.5 mL) while the outer vial contained

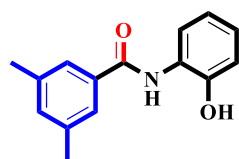
oxalic acid (1.37 mmol, 123 mg) in 0.5 mL of DMF gave **3c** after purification silica gel (mesh 60:120) column chromatography (15 % EtOAc in n-hexane) as Light pink solid (33 mg, 65% yield); ^1H (CDCl_3 , 600 MHz) δ (ppm) 9.77 (s, 1H), 9.49 (s, 1H), 7.80 (s, 1H), 7.76-7.77 (m, 1H), 7.69 (d, $J=7.86$ Hz, 1H), 7.41-7.42 (m, 2H), 7.03-7.05 (t, $J=7.68$ Hz, 1H), 6.93 (d, $J=7.98$ Hz, 1H), 6.83-6.85 (t, $J=7.62$ Hz, 1H), 2.40 (s, 3H); ^{13}C (CDCl_3 , 151 MHz) δ (ppm) 165.89, 149.74, 138.35, 134.85, (132.81-132.70), (128.97-128.86), 128.52, 126.43, 126.12, 125.10, 124.48, 119.54, 116.51, 21.44. ESI-MS $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ (m/z) calcd. for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{14}\text{NO}_2^+$ is 228.1019, obsd. 228.1024.

***N*-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-3-methylbenzamide (3d)**



Prepared as described for **3a**; reaction of 2-iodotoluene **1d** (0.229 mmol, 29.2 μL), benzoxazole **2a** (0.343 mmol, 41 mg), Pd@PS (0.006 mmol, 134 mg), K_2CO_3 (0.343 mmol, 42 mg), imidazole (0.229, 15.5 mg) and DMF (1.5 mL), while the outer vial contained oxalic acid (1.37 mmol, 123 mg) in 0.5 mL of DMF gave **3d** after purification silica gel (mesh 60:120) column chromatography (15% EtOAc in n-hexane) as Light pink solid (30 mg, 58% yield); ^1H (CDCl_3 , 600 MHz) δ (ppm) 9.78 (s, 1H), 9.44 (s, 1H), 7.74 (d, $J=7.68$ Hz, 1H), 7.54 (d, $J=7.38$ Hz, 1H), 7.39-7.41 (m, 1H), 7.29-7.32 (m, 2H), 7.03-7.06 (m, 1H), 6.93 (d, $J=7.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.84-6.86 (t, $J=7.5$ Hz, 1H), 2.44 (s, 3H); ^{13}C (CDCl_3 , 151 MHz) δ (ppm) 168.46, 149.35, 137.08, 135.99, 131.13, 130.28, 127.72, 126.49, 126.16, 126.04, 123.95, 119.54, 116.61, 19.97. ESI-MS $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ (m/z) calcd. for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{14}\text{NO}_2^+$ is 228.1019, obsd. 228.1026.

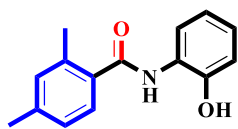
***N*-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-3,5-dimethylbenzamide (3e)**



Prepared as described for **3a**; the reaction of 1,3-Dimethyl-5-Iodobenzene **1e** (0.215 mmol, 31 μL), benzoxazole **2a** (0.323 mmol, 38 mg), Pd@PS (0.006 mmol, 134 mg), K_2CO_3 (0.323 mmol, 44 mg), imidazole (0.215, 15 mg) and DMF (1.5 mL), while the outer vial contained oxalic acid (1.29 mmol, 116 mg) in 0.5 mL of DMF gave **3e** after purification silica gel (mesh 60:120) column chromatography (20 % EtOAc in n-hexane) as light pink solid (37 mg, 72% yield); ^1H (CDCl_3 , 600 MHz) δ (ppm) 9.79 (s, 1H), 9.47 (s, 1H), 7.73 (d, $J=7.86$ Hz, 1H), 7.60 (s, 2H), 7.22 (s, 1H), 7.03-7.06 (t, $J=7.68$ Hz, 1H), 6.95 (d, $J=7.98$ Hz, 1H), 6.84-6.87 (t, $J=7.62$ Hz, 1H), 2.36 (s, 6H); ^{13}C (CDCl_3 , 151 MHz) δ (ppm) 166.02,

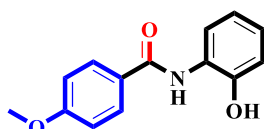
149.56, 138.19, 134.82, 133.47, 126.52, 126.00, 125.68, 124.24, 119.56, 116.54, 21.31. ESI-MS $[M+H]^+$ (m/z) calcd. for $C_{15}H_{16}NO_2^+$ is 242.1176, obsd. 242.1184.

***N*-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-2,4-dimethylbenzamide (3f)**



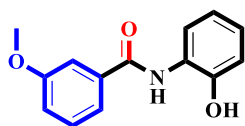
Prepared as described for **3a**; reaction of 2,4-Dimethyliodobenzene **1f** (0.215 mmol, 31 μ L), benzoxazole **2a** (0.323 mmol, 38 mg), Pd@PS (0.006 mmol, 134 mg), K_2CO_3 (0.323 mmol, 44 mg), imidazole (0.215, 15 mg) and DMF (1.5 mL) while the outer vial contained oxalic acid (1.29 mmol, 116 mg) in 0.5 mL of DMF gave **3f** after purification silica gel (mesh 60:120) column chromatography (20 % EtOAc in n-hexane) as light pink solid (31 mg, 60% yield); 1H ($CDCl_3$, 600 MHz) δ (ppm) 9.80 (s, 1H), 9.32 (s, 1H), 7.73-7.74 (m, 1H), 7.43-7.45 (m, 1H), 7.09-7.11 (m, 2H), 7.01-7.03 (t, $J=7.62$ Hz, 1H), 6.91 (d, $J=7.92$ Hz, 1H), 6.82-6.84 (t, $J=7.44$ Hz, 1H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 2.32 (s, 3H); ^{13}C ($CDCl_3$, 151 MHz) δ (ppm) 168.44, 149.15, 140.00, 136.17, 134.04, 131.85, 127.89, 126.66, 126.63, 125.88, 123.66, 119.55, 116.57, 21.27, 20.03. ESI-MS $[M+H]^+$ (m/z) calcd. for $C_{15}H_{16}NO_2^+$ is 242.1176, obsd. 242.1182.

***N*-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-4-methoxybenzamide (3g)**



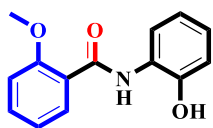
Prepared as described for **3a**; reaction of 4-iodoanisole **1g** (0.213 mmol, 50 mg), benzoxazole **2a** (0.319 mmol, 38 mg), Pd@PS (0.006 mmol, 134 mg), K_2CO_3 (0.323 mmol, 44 mg), imidazole (0.215 mmol, 15 mg) and DMF (1.5 mL), while the outer vial contained oxalic acid (1.28 mmol, 115 mg) in 0.5 mL of DMF gave **3g** after purification silica gel (mesh 60:120) column chromatography (20% EtOAc in n-hexane) as light pink solid (39 mg, 76% yield); 1H ($CDCl_3$, 600 MHz) δ (ppm) 9.74 (s, 1H), 9.44 (s, 1H), 7.96 (d, $J=8.82$ Hz, 2H), 7.64-7.66 (m, 1H), 7.06 (d, $J=8.82$ Hz, 2H), 7.01-7.04 (m, 1H), 6.91-6.92 (m, 1H), 6.81-6.84 (m, 1H), 3.84 (s, 3H); ^{13}C ($CDCl_3$, 151 MHz) δ (ppm) 165.29, 162.45, 149.68, 129.94, 126.83, 126.56, 125.99, 124.46, 119.55, 116.59, 114.21, 55.90. ESI-MS $[M+H]^+$ (m/z) calcd. for $C_{14}H_{14}NO_3^+$ is 244.0968, obsd. 244.0973.

***N*-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-3-methoxybenzamide (3h)**



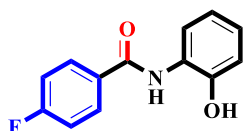
Prepared as described for **3a**; reaction of 3-iodoanisole **1h** (0.213 mmol, 25.4 μ L), benzoxazole **2a** (0.319 mmol, 38 mg), Pd@PS (0.006 mmol, 134 mg), K₂CO₃ (0.323 mmol, 44 mg), imidazole (0.215, 15 mg) and DMF (1.5 mL), while the outer vial contained oxalic acid (1.28 mmol, 115 mg) in 0.5 mL of DMF gave **3h** after purification silica gel (mesh 60:120) column chromatography (20 % EtOAc in n-hexane) as Light pink solid (37 mg, 72% yield); ¹H (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm) 9.76 (s, 1H), 9.54 (s, 1H), 7.66 (d, *J*=7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (d, *J*=7.62 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (s, 1H), 7.43-7.45 (t, *J*=7.92 Hz, 1H), 7.15-7.17 (m, 1H), 7.04-7.06 (m, 1H), 6.94 (d, *J*=7.98 Hz, 1H), 6.83-6.86 (m, 1H), 3.83 (s, 3H); ¹³C (CDCl₃, 151 MHz) δ (ppm) 165.53, 159.74, 149.98, 136.32, 130.14, 126.28, 126.25, 124.84, 128.11, 119.51, 117.98, 113.19, 55.78. ESI-MS [M+H]⁺ (*m/z*) calcd. for C₁₄H₁₄NO₃⁺ is 244.0968, obsd. 244.0973.

N-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-2-methoxybenzamide (**3i**)



Prepared as described for **3a**; reaction of 2-iodoanisole **1i** (0.213 mmol, 28 μ L), benzoxazole **2a** (0.319 mmol, 38 mg), Pd@PS (0.006 mmol, 134 mg), K₂CO₃ (0.323 mmol, 44 mg), imidazole (0.215, 15 mg) and DMF (1.5 mL) while the outer vial contained oxalic acid (1.28 mmol, 115 mg) in 0.5 mL of DMF gave **3i** after purification silica gel (mesh 60:120) column chromatography (20 % EtOAc in n-hexane) as light pink solid (29 mg, 56% yield); ¹H (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm) 10.59 (s, 1H), 10.23 (s, 1H), 8.38 (d, *J*=7.98 Hz, 1H), 8.09 (d, *J*=7.74 Hz, 1H), 7.56-7.59 (m, 1H), 7.26 (d, *J*=8.34 Hz, 1H), 7.13-7.15 (t, *J*=7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.92-6.93 (m, 2H), 6.81-6.83 (m, 1H), 4.04 (s, 3H); ¹³C (CDCl₃, 151 MHz) δ (ppm) ESI-MS [M+H]⁺ (*m/z*) calcd. for C₁₄H₁₄NO₃⁺ is 244.0968, obsd. 244.0970.

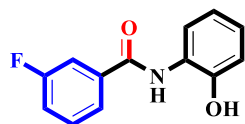
4-fluoro-N-(2-hydroxyphenyl)benzamide (**3j**)



Prepared as described for **3a**; reaction of 4-Fluoroiodobenzene **1j** (0.225 mmol, 26 μ L), benzoxazole **2a** (0.33 mmol, 40 mg), Pd@PS (0.006 mmol, 134 mg), K₂CO₃ (0.337 mmol, 47 mg), imidazole (0.225, 15 mg) and DMF (1.5 mL), while the outer vial contained oxalic acid (1.35 mmol, 121 mg) in 0.5 mL of DMF gave **3j** after purification silica gel (mesh 60:120) column chromatography (15% EtOAc in n-hexane) as Light pink solid (42

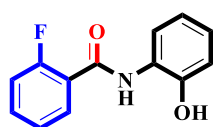
mg, 80% yield); ^1H (CDCl_3 , 600 MHz) δ (ppm) 9.74 (s, 1H), 9.59 (s, 1H), 8.05-8.07 (m, 2H), 7.64 (d, $J=7.86$ Hz, 1H), 7.34-7.36 (t, $J=8.64$ Hz, 2H), 7.04-7.07 (m, 1H), 6.94 (d, $J=8.04$ Hz, 1H), 6.83-6.85 (t, $J=7.56$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C (CDCl_3 , 151 MHz) δ (ppm) 165.41, (164.79-163.76), 150.12, (131.37-131.35), (130.79-130.73), 126.36, 126.18, 125.04, 119.49, 116.53, (115.93-115.79). ESI-MS $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ (m/z) calcd. for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{11}\text{FNO}_2^+$ is 232.0768, obsd. 232.0773.

3-fluoro-*N*-(2-hydroxyphenyl)benzamide (3k)



Prepared as described for **3a**; reaction of 3-Fluoriodobenzene **1k** (0.225 mmol, 32 μL), benzoxazole **2a** (0.33 mmol, 40 mg), Pd@PS (0.006 mmol, 134 mg), K_2CO_3 (0.337 mmol, 47 mg), imidazole (0.225, 15 mg) and DMF (1.5 mL), while the outer vial contained oxalic acid (1.35 mmol, 121 mg) in 0.5 mL of DMF gave **3k** after purification silica gel (mesh 60:120) column chromatography (15 % EtOAc in n-hexane) as Light pink solid (38 mg, 72% yield); ^1H (CDCl_3 , 600 MHz) δ (ppm) 9.71 (s, 1H), 9.63 (s, 1H), 7.83 (d, $J=7.74$ Hz, 1H), 7.78 (d, $J=9.78$ Hz, 1H), 7.56-7.61 (m, 2H), 7.43-7.46 (m, 1H), 7.04-7.07 (m, 1H), 6.93-6.94 (m, 1H), 6.82-6.85 (m, 1H); ^{13}C (CDCl_3 , 151 MHz) δ (ppm) 164.44, (163.27-161.65), 150.37, (137.33-137.28), (131.13-131.08), 126.59, 125.87, 125.40, (124.18-124.17), 119.44, (119.02-118.88), 116.48, (114.99-114.84). ESI-MS $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ (m/z) calcd. for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{11}\text{FNO}_2^+$ is 232.0768, obsd. 232.0775.

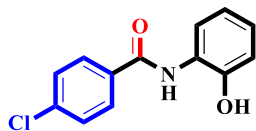
2-fluoro-*N*-(2-hydroxyphenyl)benzamide (3l)



Prepared as described for **3a**; reaction of 3-Fluoriodobenzene **1l** (0.225 mmol, 32 μL), benzoxazole **2a** (0.33 mmol, 40 mg), Pd@PS (0.006 mmol, 134 mg), K_2CO_3 (0.337 mmol, 47 mg), imidazole (0.225, 15 mg) and DMF (1.5 mL), while the outer vial contained oxalic acid (1.35 mmol, 121 mg) in 0.5 mL of DMF gave **3l** after purification silica gel (mesh 60:120) column chromatography (15 % EtOAc in n-hexane) as Light pink solid (31 mg, 61% yield); ^1H (CDCl_3 , 600 MHz) δ (ppm) 10.09 (s, 1H), 9.45 (m, 1H), 8.06 (d, $J=7.98$ Hz, 1H), 7.89-7.92 (t, $J=7.68$ Hz, 1H), 7.61-7.64 (m, 1H), 7.36-7.40 (m, 2H), 6.98-7.01 (m, 1H), 6.92 (d, $J=7.98$ Hz, 1H), 6.82-6.85 (t, $J=7.68$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C (CDCl_3 , 151 MHz) δ (ppm) 161.70, (160.79-159.16), 147.89, (134.04-133.99), 131.39, 126.59, (125.45-125.38), 123.03,

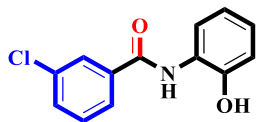
122.95, 121.97, 119.61, (116.92-116.76), 115.64. ESI-MS $[M+H]^+$ (m/z) calcd. for $C_{13}H_{11}FNO_2^+$ is 232.0768, obsd. 232.0771.

4-chloro-N-(2-hydroxyphenyl)benzamide (**3m**)



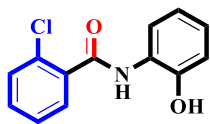
Prepared as described for **3a**; reaction of 4-Chloriodobenzene **1m** (0.21 mmol, 50 mg), benzoxazole **2a** (0.31 mmol, 37 mg), Pd@PS (0.006 mmol, 134 mg), K_2CO_3 (0.315 mmol, 43 mg), imidazole (0.21 mmol, 14 mg) and DMF (1.5 mL) while the outer vial contained oxalic acid (1.26 mmol, 113 mg) in 0.5 mL of DMF gave **3m** after purification silica gel (mesh 60:120) column chromatography (15 % EtOAc in n-hexane) as Light pink solid (33 mg, 64% yield); 1H ($CDCl_3$, 600 MHz) δ (ppm) 9.73 (s, 1H), 9.62 (s, 1H), 8.00 (d, $J=8.52$ Hz, 2H), 7.63-7.65 (m, 1H), 7.59 (d, $J=8.58$ Hz, 2H), 7.04-7.07 (m, 1H), 6.93-6.95 (m, 1H), 6.82-6.85 (m, 1H); ^{13}C ($CDCl_3$, 151 MHz) δ (ppm) 164.74, 150.19, 136.92, 133.67, 129.99, 128.99, 126.44, 126.04, 125.13, 119.46, 116.48. ESI-MS $[M+H]^+$ (m/z) calcd. for $C_{13}H_{11}ClNO_2^+$ is 248.0473, obsd. 248.0476.

3-chloro-N-(2-hydroxyphenyl)benzamide (**3n**)



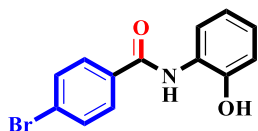
Prepared as described for **3a**; reaction of 4-Chloriodobenzene **1n** (0.21 mmol, 50 mg), benzoxazole **2a** (0.31 mmol, 37 mg), Pd@PS (0.006 mmol, 134 mg), K_2CO_3 (0.315 mmol, 43 mg), imidazole (0.21 mmol, 14 mg) and DMF (1.5 mL) while the outer vial contained oxalic acid (1.26 mmol, 113 mg) in 0.5 mL of DMF gave **3n** after purification silica gel (mesh 60:120) column chromatography (15 % EtOAc in n-hexane) as Light pink solid (31 mg, 59% yield); 1H ($CDCl_3$, 600 MHz) δ (ppm) 9.69 (s, 2H), 8.02 (s, 1H), 7.93 (d, $J=7.68$ Hz, 1H), 7.66 (d, $J=7.86$ Hz, 1H), 7.54-7.59 (m, 2H), 7.05-7.07 (t, $J=7.74$ Hz, 1H), 6.93 (d, $J=8.04$ Hz, 1H), 6.82-6.85 (t, $J=7.62$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C ($CDCl_3$, 151 MHz) δ (ppm) 164.42, 150.50, 136.96, 133.73, 131.86, 130.90, 127.95, 126.78, 126.67, 125.81, 125.60, 119.43, 116.51. ESI-MS $[M+H]^+$ (m/z) calcd. for $C_{13}H_{11}ClNO_2^+$ is 248.0473, obsd. 248.0480.

2-chloro-N-(2-hydroxyphenyl)benzamide (**3o**)



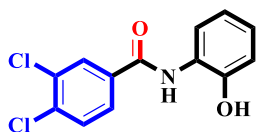
Prepared as described for **3a**; reaction of 4-Chloriodobenzene **1o** (0.21 mmol, 50 mg), benzoxazole **2a** (0.31 mmol, 37 mg), Pd@PS (0.006 mmol, 134 mg), K₂CO₃ (0.315 mmol, 43 mg), imidazole (0.21 mmol, 14 mg) and DMF (1.5 mL) while the outer vial contained oxalic acid (1.26 mmol, 113 mg) in 0.5 mL of DMF gave **3o** after purification silica gel (mesh 60:120) column chromatography (15 % EtOAc in n-hexane) as Light pink solid (27 mg, 53% yield); ¹H (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm) 9.77 (s, 1H), 9.63 (s, 1H), 7.79 (d, *J*=7.92 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (d, *J*=7.44 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (d, *J*=7.98 Hz, 1H), 7.49-7.51 (m, 1H), 7.43-7.46 (t, *J*=7.38 Hz, 1H), 7.01-7.04 (t, *J*=7.68 Hz, 1H), 6.91 (d, *J*=8.04 Hz, 1H), 6.82-6.84 (t, *J*=7.62 Hz, 1H); ¹³C (CDCl₃, 151 MHz) δ (ppm) 165.45, 149.14, 136.87, 131.67, 130.45, 130.19, 129.74, 127.68, 126.14, 126.05, 123.66, 119.49, 116.35. ESI-MS [M+H]⁺ (*m/z*) calcd. for C₁₃H₁₁ClNO₂⁺ is 248.0473, obsd. 248.0477.

4-bromo-N-(2-hydroxyphenyl)benzamide (**3p**)



Prepared as described for **3a**; reaction of 1-Bromo-4-iodobenzene **1p** (0.176 mmol, 50 mg), benzoxazole **2a** (0.265 mmol, 32 mg), Pd@PS (0.005 mmol, 112 mg), K₂CO₃ (0.265 mmol, 36 mg), imidazole (0.176 mmol, 12 mg) and DMF (1.5 mL) while the outer vial contained oxalic acid (1.26 mmol, 113 mg) in 0.5 mL of DMF gave **3p** after purification silica gel (mesh 60:120) column chromatography (20 % EtOAc in n-hexane) as Light pink solid (29 mg, 57% yield); ¹H (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm) 9.72 (s, 1H), 9.61 (s, 1H), 7.92 (d, *J*=8.52 Hz, 2H), 7.74 (d, *J*=8.52 Hz, 2H), 7.62-7.63 (m, 1H), 7.03-7.06 (m, 1H), 6.92-6.93 (m, 1H), 6.82-6.84 (m, 1H); ¹³C (CDCl₃, 151 MHz) δ (ppm) 164.84, 150.19, 134.04, 131.94, 130.17, 126.45, 126.01, 125.84, 125.14, 119.45, 116.45. ESI-MS [M+H]⁺ (*m/z*) calcd. for C₁₃H₁₁BrNO₂⁺ is 291.9968, obsd. 291.0006.

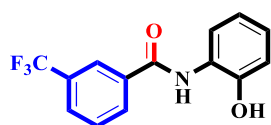
3,4-dichloro-N-(2-hydroxyphenyl)benzamide (**3q**)



Prepared as described for **3a**; reaction of 3,4-Dichloriodobenzene **1q** (0.183 mmol, 50 mg), benzoxazole **2a** (0.274 mmol, 33 mg), Pd@PS (0.005 mmol, 112 mg), K₂CO₃ (0.274 mmol, 38 mg), imidazole (0.183 mmol, 12 mg) and DMF (1.5 mL) while the

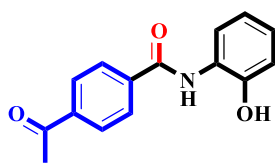
outer vial contained oxalic acid (1.095 mmol, 101 mg) in 0.5 mL of DMF gave **3q** after purification silica gel (mesh 60:120) column chromatography (20% EtOAc in n-hexane) as Light pink solid (26 mg, 51% yield); ^1H (CDCl_3 , 600 MHz) δ (ppm) 9.77 (s, 1H), 9.68 (s, 1H), 8.217-8.220 (m, 1H), 7.93-7.95 (m, 1H), 7.81 (d, $J=8.34$ Hz, 1H), 7.54 (d, $J=7.08$ Hz, 1H), 7.05-7.08(m, 1H), 6.91-6.93 (m, 1H), 6.81-6.84 (m, 1H); ^{13}C (CDCl_3 , 151 MHz) δ (ppm) 163.60, 150.72, 135.36, 134.76, 131.75, 131.22, 130.14, 128.40, 126.85, 125.93, 125.56, 119.38, 116.48. ESI-MS $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ (m/z) calcd. for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{10}\text{Cl}_2\text{NO}_2^+$ is 282.0083, obsd. 282.0071.

***N*-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)benzamide (3r)**



Prepared as described for **3a**; reaction of 3-iodobenzotrifluoride **1r** (0.183 mmol, 27 μL), benzoxazole **2a** (0.274 mmol, 33 mg), Pd@PS (0.005 mmol, 123 mg), K_2CO_3 (0.274 mmol, 38 mg), imidazole (0.183 mmol, 12 mg) and DMF (1.5 mL) while the outer vial contained oxalic acid (1.09 mmol, 98 mg) in 0.5 mL of DMF gave **3r** after purification silica gel (mesh 60:120) column chromatography (20 % EtOAc in n-hexane) as Light pink solid (34 mg, 67% yield); ^1H (CDCl_3 , 600 MHz) δ (ppm) 9.87 (s, 1H), 9.68 (s, 1H), 8.32 (s, 1H), 8.27 (d, $J=7.74$ Hz, 1H), 7.96 (d, $J=7.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.76-7.79 (t, $J=7.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.56-7.57 (m, 1H), 7.06-7.09 (m, 1H), 6.93-6.95 (m, 1H), 6.83-6.85 (m, 1H); ^{13}C (CDCl_3 , 151 MHz) δ (ppm) 164.44, 150.77, 135.92, 132.17, 130.18, (129.76-129.54), (128.54-128.52), 126.82, 125.98, 125.69, (124.83-124.81), 123.57, 119.40, 116.53. ESI-MS $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ (m/z) calcd. for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{11}\text{F}_3\text{NO}_2^+$ is 282.0736, obsd. 282.0728.

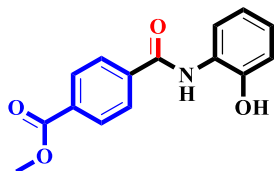
4-acetyl-*N*-(2-hydroxyphenyl)benzamide (3s)



Prepared as described for **3a**; reaction of 4-acetyliodobenzene **1s** (0.203 mmol, 50 mg), benzoxazole **2a** (0.274 mmol, 33 mg), Pd@PS (0.005 mmol, 112 mg), K_2CO_3 (0.274 mmol, 38 mg), imidazole (0.203 mmol, 14 mg) and DMF (1.5 mL) while the outer vial contained oxalic acid (1.21 mmol, 110 mg) in 0.5 mL of DMF gave **3s** after purification silica gel (mesh 60:120) column chromatography (20 % EtOAc in n-hexane) as light pink solid (39 mg, 76% yield); ^1H (CDCl_3 , 600 MHz) δ (ppm) 9.75 (s, 1H), 9.71 (s, 1H), 8.09 (s, 4H), 7.64 (d, $J=7.74$ Hz, 1H), 7.05-7.07 (m, 1H), 6.93 (d, $J=7.98$ Hz, 1H), 6.83-6.85 (m, 1H), 3.89 (s, 3H); ^{13}C (CDCl_3 , 151 MHz) δ (ppm) 166.17, 164.90, 150.25, 139.05, 132.51, 129.72, 128.45,

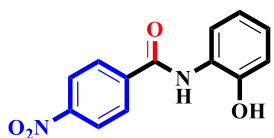
126.56, 125.92, 125.18, 119.46, 116.42, 52.89. MS $[M+H]^+$ (m/z) calcd. for $C_{15}H_{14}NO_3^+$ is 256.0968, obsd. 256.0972.

methyl 4-((2-hydroxyphenyl)carbamoyl)benzoate (3t)



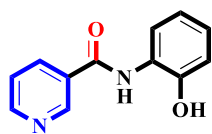
Prepared as described for **3a**; reaction of Methyl 4-iodobenzoate **1t** (0.190 mmol, 50 mg), benzoxazole **2a** (0.285 mmol, 39 mg), Pd@PS (0.006 mmol, 134 mg), K_2CO_3 (0.285 mmol, 39 mg), imidazole (0.19 mmol, 13 mg) and DMF (1.5 mL) while the outer vial contained oxalic acid (1.09 mmol, 98 mg) in 0.5 mL of DMF gave **3t** after purification silica gel (mesh 60:120) column chromatography (20 % EtOAc in n-hexane) as light pink solid (36 mg, 70% yield); 1H ($CDCl_3$, 600 MHz) δ (ppm) 9.71 (s, 2H), 8.09 (s, 4H), 7.64 (d, $J=7.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.05-7.07 (m, 1H), 6.93 (d, $J=8.04$ Hz, 1H), 6.83-6.85 (t, $J=7.56$ Hz, 1H), 3.89 (s, 3H); ^{13}C ($CDCl_3$, 151 MHz) δ (ppm) 166.23, 164.96, 150.31, 139.09, 132.55, (129.85-129.71), (128.58-128.43), 126.61, 125.96, 120.01, 119.51, 116.47, 52.94. ESI-MS $[M+H]^+$ (m/z) calcd. for $C_{15}H_{14}NO_4^+$ is 272.0917, obsd. 272.0913.

N-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-4-nitrobenzamide (3u)



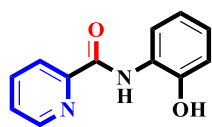
Prepared as described for **3a**; reaction of 1-iodo-4-nitrobenzene **1u** (0.2008 mmol, 50 mg), benzoxazole **2a** (0.301 mmol, 36 mg), Pd@PS (0.006 mmol, 134 mg), K_2CO_3 (0.301 mmol, 42 mg), imidazole (0.20 mmol, 14 mg) and DMF (1.5 mL) while the outer vial contained oxalic acid (1.20 mmol, 108 mg) in 0.5 mL of DMF gave **3u** after purification silica gel (mesh 60:120) column chromatography (20 % EtOAc in n-hexane) as light pink solid (37 mg, 72% yield); 1H ($CDCl_3$, 600 MHz) δ (ppm) 9.84-9.76 (m, 2H), 8.35 (d, $J=8.4$ Hz, 2H), 8.19 (d, $J=8.16$ Hz, 2H), 7.62 (d, $J=7.62$ Hz, 1H), 7.06-7.09 (t, $J=7.68$ Hz, 1H), 6.94 (d, $J=7.98$ Hz, 1H), 6.83-6.86 (t, $J=7.56$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C ($CDCl_3$, 151 MHz) δ (ppm) 164.17, 150.51, 149.60, 140.72, 129.60, 126.81, 125.65, 125.51, 124.03, 119.43, 116.430. ESI-MS $[M+H]^+$ (m/z) calcd. for $C_{13}H_{11}N_2O_4^+$ is 259.0713, obsd. 259.0705.

***N*-(2-hydroxyphenyl)nicotinamide (3v)**



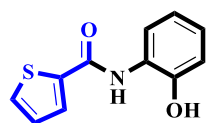
Prepared as described for **3a**; reaction of 3-Iodopyridine **1v** (0.243 mmol, 50 mg), benzoxazole **2a** (0.364 mmol, 43 mg), Pd@PS (0.007 mmol, 156 mg), K₂CO₃ (0.364 mmol, 50 mg), imidazole (0.243 mmol, 17 mg) and DMF (1.5 mL) while the outer vial contained oxalic acid (1.45 mmol, 130 mg) in 0.5 mL of DMF gave **3v** after purification silica gel (mesh 60:120) column chromatography (20 % EtOAc in n-hexane) as light pink solid (36 mg, 70% yield); ¹H (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm) 9.79 (s, 1H), 9.70 (s, 1H), 9.13 (s, 1H), 8.76 (s, 1H), 8.31-8.33 (m, 1H), 7.60-7.61 (m, 1H), 7.55-7.57 (m, 1H), 7.05-7.08 (t, *J*=7.38 Hz, 1H), 6.93 (d, *J*=7.86 Hz, 1H), 6.83-6.85 (t, *J*=7.44 Hz, 1H); ¹³C (CDCl₃, 151 MHz) δ (ppm) 164.41, 152.47, 150.51, 149.11, 135.94, 130.65, 126.72, 125.74, 125.61, 124.02, 119.43, 116.52. ESI-MS [M+H]⁺ (*m/z*) calcd. for C₁₂H₁₁N₂O₂⁺ is 215.0815, obsd. 215.0817.

***N*-(2-hydroxyphenyl)picolinamide (3w)**



Prepared as described for **3a**; reaction of 2-Iodopyridine **1w** (0.243 mmol, 50 mg), benzoxazole **2a** (0.364 mmol, 43 mg), Pd@PS (0.007 mmol, 156 mg), K₂CO₃ (0.364 mmol, 50 mg), imidazole (0.243 mmol, 17 mg) and DMF (1.5 mL) while the outer vial contained oxalic acid (1.45 mmol, 130 mg) in 0.5 mL of DMF gave **3w** after purification silica gel (mesh 60:120) column chromatography (20 % EtOAc in n-hexane) as light pink solid (32 mg, 61% yield); ¹H (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm) 10.48 (s, 1H), 10.31 (s, 1H), 8.73-8.75 (m, 1H), 8.38-8.39 (m, 1H), 8.19 (d, *J*=7.8 Hz, 1H), 8.07-8.10 (m, 1H), 7.68-7.70 (m, 1H), 6.94-6.98 (m, 2H), 6.84-6.87 (m, 1H); ¹³C (CDCl₃, 151 MHz) δ (ppm) 161.58, 149.86, (149.13-149.07), 147.00, 138.93, 127.52, 126.59, 124.57, 122.35, 119.75, 119.50, 115.17. ESI-MS [M+H]⁺ (*m/z*) calcd. for C₁₂H₁₁N₂O₂⁺ is 215.0815, obsd. 215.0816.

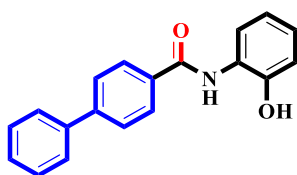
***N*-(2-hydroxyphenyl)thiophene-2-carboxamide (3x)**



Prepared as described for **3a**; reaction of 2-Iodothiophene **1x** (0.238 mmol, 26 μ L), benzoxazole **2a** (0.357 mmol, 42 mg), Pd@PS (0.007 mmol, 156 mg), K₂CO₃ (0.357

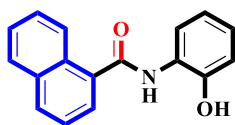
mmol, 49 mg), imidazole (0.238 mmol, 16 mg) and DMF (1.5 mL) while the outer vial contained oxalic acid (1.40 mmol, 126 mg) in 0.5 mL of DMF gave **3x** after purification silica gel (mesh 60:120) column chromatography (20 % EtOAc in n-hexane) as light pink solid (35 mg, 68% yield); ^1H (CDCl_3 , 600 MHz) δ (ppm) 9.75 (s, 1H), 9.57 (s, 1H), 7.99-8.00 (m, 1H), 7.84 (d, $J=4.98$ Hz, 1H), 7.55 (d, $J=7.86$ Hz, 1H), 7.20-7.22 (m, 1H), 7.03-7.06 (m, 1H), 6.93 (d, $J=8.04$ Hz, 1H), 6.81-6.84 (m, 1H); ^{13}C (CDCl_3 , 151 MHz) δ (ppm) 160.42, 150.29, 140.13, 132.12, 129.60, 128.63, 126.48, 125.68, 125.43, 119.46, 116.45. ESI-MS $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ (m/z) calcd. for $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{10}\text{NO}_2\text{S}^+$ is 220.0427, obsd. 220.0419.

***N*-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-[1,1'-biphenyl]-4-carboxamide (3y)**



Prepared as described for **3a**; reaction of 4-iodobiphenyl **1y** (0.225 mmol, 50 mg), benzoxazole **2a** (0.337 mmol, 40 mg), Pd@PS (0.006 mmol, 134 mg), K_2CO_3 (0.337 mmol, 47 mg), imidazole (0.225 mmol, 15 mg) and DMF (1.5 mL) while the outer vial contained oxalic acid (1.12 mmol, 101 mg) in 0.5 mL of DMF gave **3y** after purification silica gel (mesh 60:120) column chromatography (20 % EtOAc in n-hexane) as light pink solid (35 mg, 68% yield); ^1H (CDCl_3 , 600 MHz) δ (ppm) 9.77 (s, 1H), 9.59 (s, 1H), 8.07 (d, $J=8.28$ Hz, 2H), 7.84 (d, $J=8.34$ Hz, 2H), 7.76 (d, $J=7.26$ Hz, 2H), 7.70 (d, $J=7.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.50-7.53 (m, 2H), 7.42-7.44 (t, $J=7.38$ Hz, 1H), 7.04-7.06 (m, 1H), 6.93-6.95 (m, 1H), 6.83-6.86 (m, 1H); ^{13}C (CDCl_3 , 151 MHz) δ (ppm) 165.40, 149.87, 143.66, 139.56, 133.64, 129.56, 128.71, 128.66, 127.40, 127.19, 126.37, 126.21, 124.66, 119.53, 116.51. ESI-MS $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ (m/z) calcd. for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{16}\text{NO}_2^+$ is 290.1176, obsd. 290.1185.

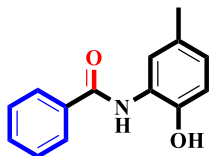
***N*-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-1-naphthamide (3z)**



Prepared as described for **3a**; reaction of 1-Iodonaphthalene **1z** (0.196 mmol, 29), benzoxazole **2a** (0.293 mmol, 35 mg), Pd@PS (0.006 mmol, 132 mg), K_2CO_3 (0.295 mmol, 41 mg), imidazole (0.196 mmol, 13 mg) and DMF (1.5 mL) while the outer vial contained oxalic acid (1.18 mmol, 106 mg) in 0.5 mL of DMF gave **3z** after purification silica gel (mesh 60:120) column chromatography (20 % EtOAc in n-hexane) as Light pink solid (30 mg, 58% yield); ^1H (CDCl_3 , 600 MHz) δ (ppm) 9.83 (s, 1H), 9.69 (s, 1H), 8.31 (d, $J=7.86$ Hz, 1H), 8.08 (d, $J=8.1$ Hz, 1H), 8.02 (d, $J=7.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.79-7.82 (m, 2H), 7.58-7.62 (m, 3H),

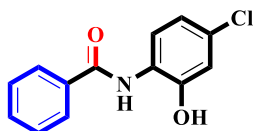
7.06-7.08 (t, $J=7.44$ Hz, 1H), 6.95 (d, $J=7.86$ Hz, 1H), 6.86-6.89 (m, 1H); ^{13}C (CDCl_3 , 151 MHz) δ (ppm) 167.88, 149.73, 134.80, 133.66, 130.76, 130.23, 128.80, 127.42, 126.83, 126.41, 126.27, 126.09, 125.75, 125.53, 124.49, 119.53, 116.51. ESI-MS $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ (m/z) calcd. for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{14}\text{NO}_2^+$ is 264.1019, obsd. 264.1021.

***N*-(2-hydroxy-5-methylphenyl)benzamide (3ab)**



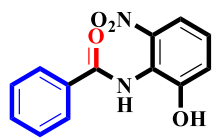
Prepared as described for **3a**; Iodobenzene **1a** (0.245 mmol, 27.3 μL), 5-methylbenzoxazole **2b** (0.367 mmol, 49 mg), Pd@PS (0.007 mmol, 156 mg), K_2CO_3 (0.36 mmol, 50 mg), imidazole (0.245, 16.6 mg) and DMF (1.5 mL) while the outer vial contained oxalic acid (1.47 mmol, 132 mg) in 0.5 mL of DMF gave **3ab** after purification silica gel (mesh 60:120) column chromatography (20 % EtOAc in n-hexane) as light pink solid (36 mg, 58% yield); ^1H (CDCl_3 , 600 MHz) δ (ppm) 9.50 (s, 2H), 7.96-7.98 (m, 2H), 7.58-7.61 (m, 1H), 7.52-7.54 (m, 3H), 6.81-6.86 (m, 2H), 2.23 (s, 3H); ^{13}C (CDCl_3 , 151 MHz) δ (ppm) 165.70, 147.42, 134.84, 132.14, 129.00, 128.13, 127.95, 126.54, 126.04, 124.88, 116.35, 20.80. ESI-MS $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ (m/z) calcd. for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{14}\text{NO}_2^+$ is 228.1019, obsd. 228.1026.

***N*-(4-chloro-2-hydroxyphenyl)benzamide (3ac)**



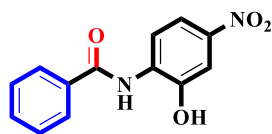
Prepared as described for **3a**; Iodobenzene **1a** (0.245 mmol, 27.3 μL), 6-chlorobenzoxazole **2c** (0.368 mmol, 56 mg), Pd@PS (0.007 mmol, 156 mg), K_2CO_3 (0.36 mmol, 50 mg), imidazole (0.245, 16.6 mg) and DMF (1.5 mL) while the outer vial contained oxalic acid (1.47 mmol, 132 mg) in 0.5 mL of DMF gave **3ac** after purification silica gel (mesh 60:120) column chromatography (20% EtOAc in n-hexane) as light pink solid (41 mg, 68% yield); ^1H (CDCl_3 , 600 MHz) δ (ppm); 10.40 (brs, 1H), 9.53(s, 1H), 7.98 (d, $J=7.68$ Hz, 2H), 7.72 (d, $J=8.46$ Hz, 1H), 7.60- 7.62 (m, 1H), 7.53-7.55 (m, 2H), 6.98 (s, 1H), 6.91 (d, $J=8.58$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C (CDCl_3 , 151 MHz) δ (ppm) 165.40, 150.68, 134.25, 131.85, 129.17, 128.60, 125.62, 125.10, 118.85, 115.60 ESI-MS $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ (m/z) calcd. for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{11}\text{ClNO}_2^+$ is 248.0473, obsd. 248.0474.

***N*-(2-hydroxy-6-nitrophenyl)benzamide (3ad)**



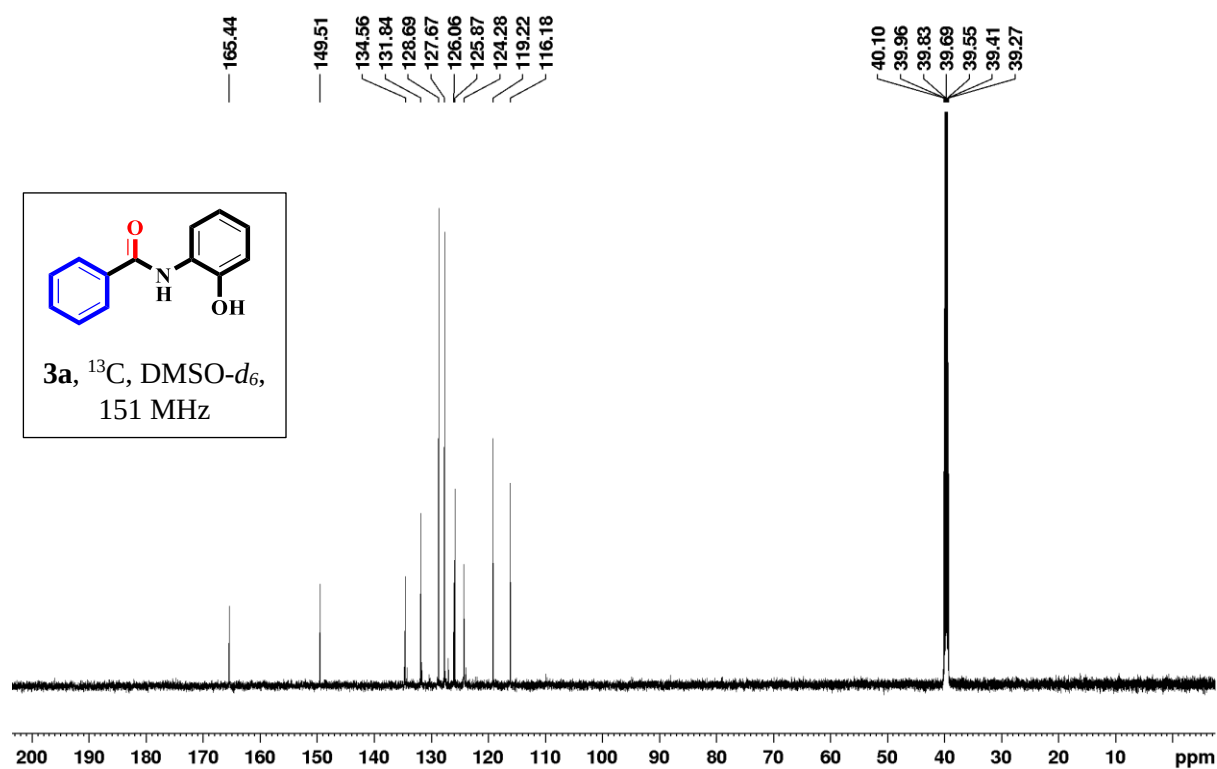
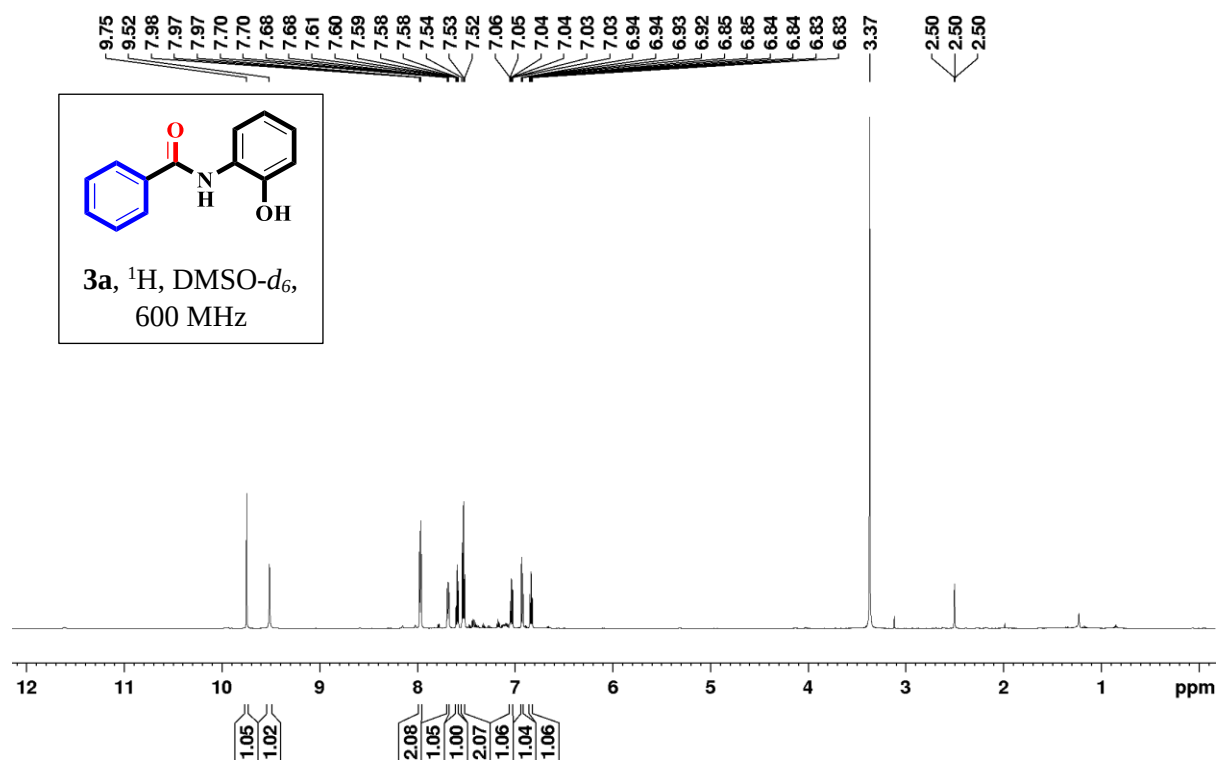
Prepared as described for **3a**; Iodobenzene **1a** (0.245 mmol, 27.3 μ L), 4-nitrobenzoxazole **2d** (0.367 mmol, 60 mg), Pd@PS (0.007 mmol, 156 mg), K₂CO₃ (0.36 mmol, 50 mg), imidazole (0.245, 16.6 mg) and DMF (1.5 mL) while the outer vial contained oxalic acid (1.47 mmol, 132 mg) in 0.5 mL of DMF gave **3ad** after purification silica gel (mesh 60:120) column chromatography (25% EtOAc in n-hexane) as light pink solid (33 mg, 52% yield); ¹H (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm) 8.20 (d, *J*=7.74 Hz, 2H), 7.98-8.02 (m, 2H), 7.74-7.77 (m, 1H), 7.61-7.63(m, 2H), 6.89 (d, *J*=9.06 Hz 1H), 6.77 (s, 2H); ¹³C (CDCl₃, 151 MHz) δ (ppm) 164.41, 148.41, 135.27, 134.68, 133.96, (130.23- 130.37), 128.97,(128.72-128.75), (123.71-123.82), (119.69-119.81), (114.04-114.07). ESI-MS [M+H]⁺ (*m/z*) calcd. for C₁₃H₁₁N₂O₄⁺ is 259.0713, obsd. 259.0708.

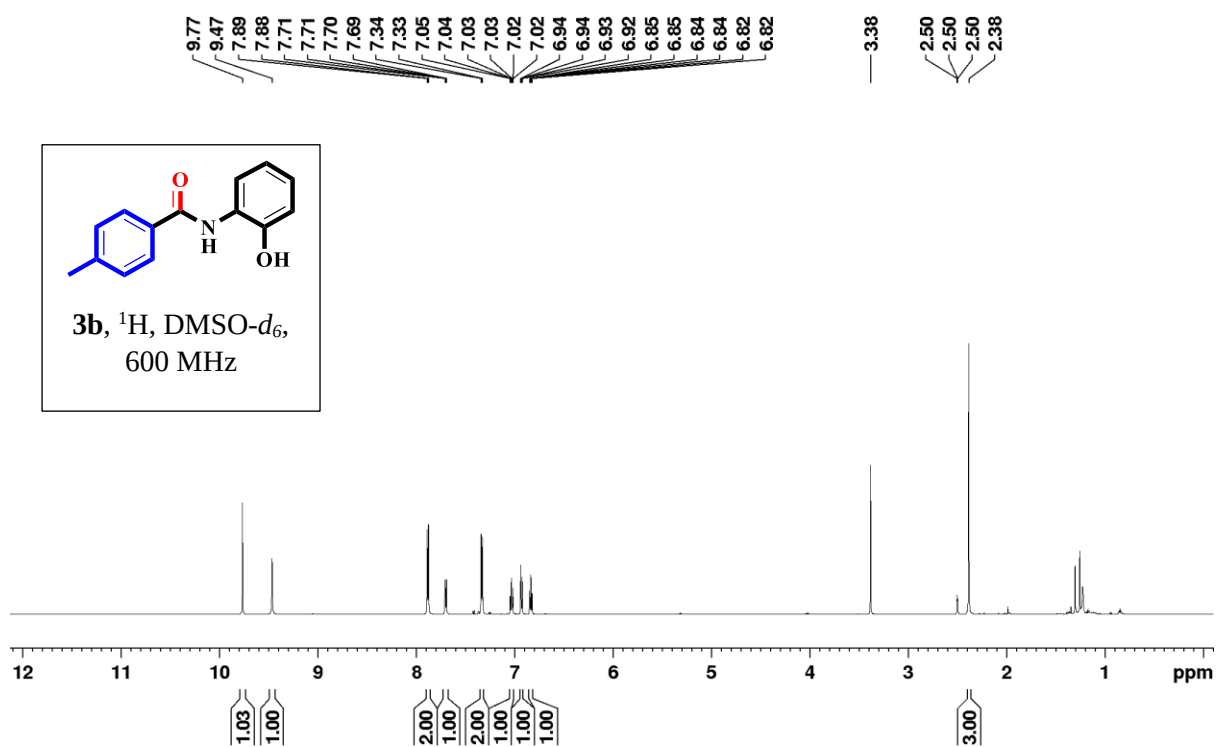
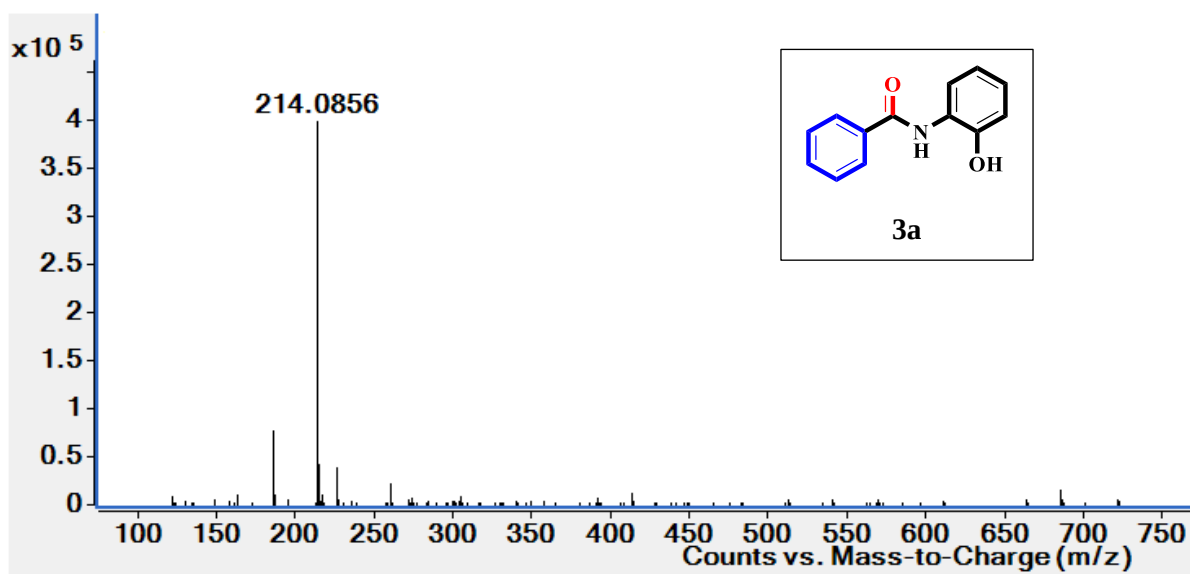
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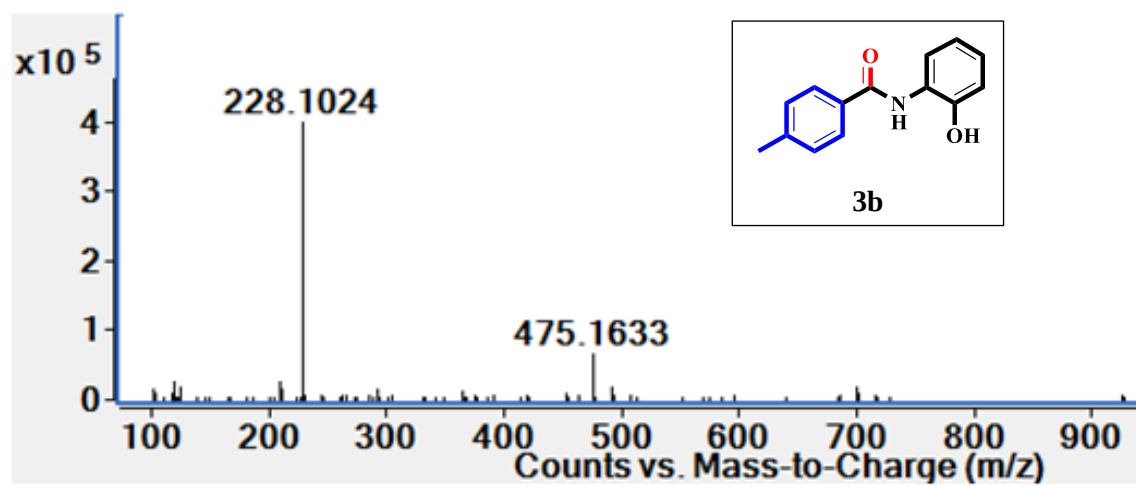
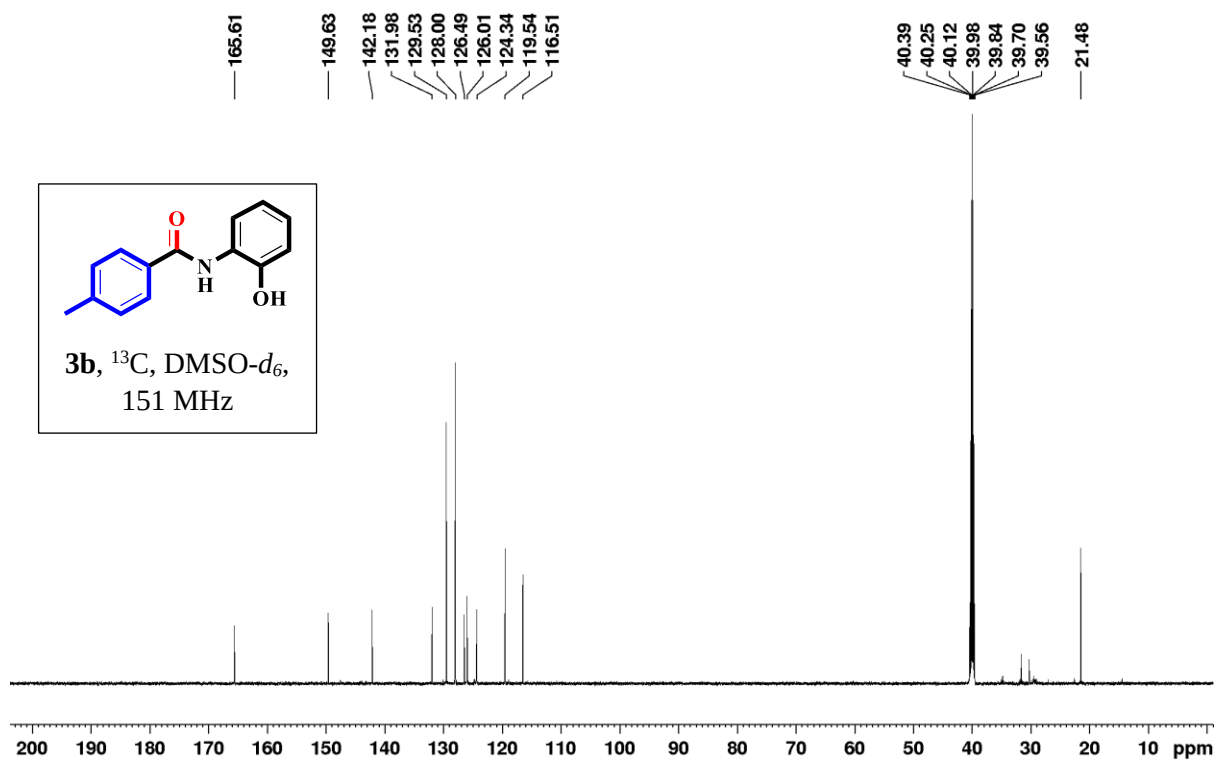


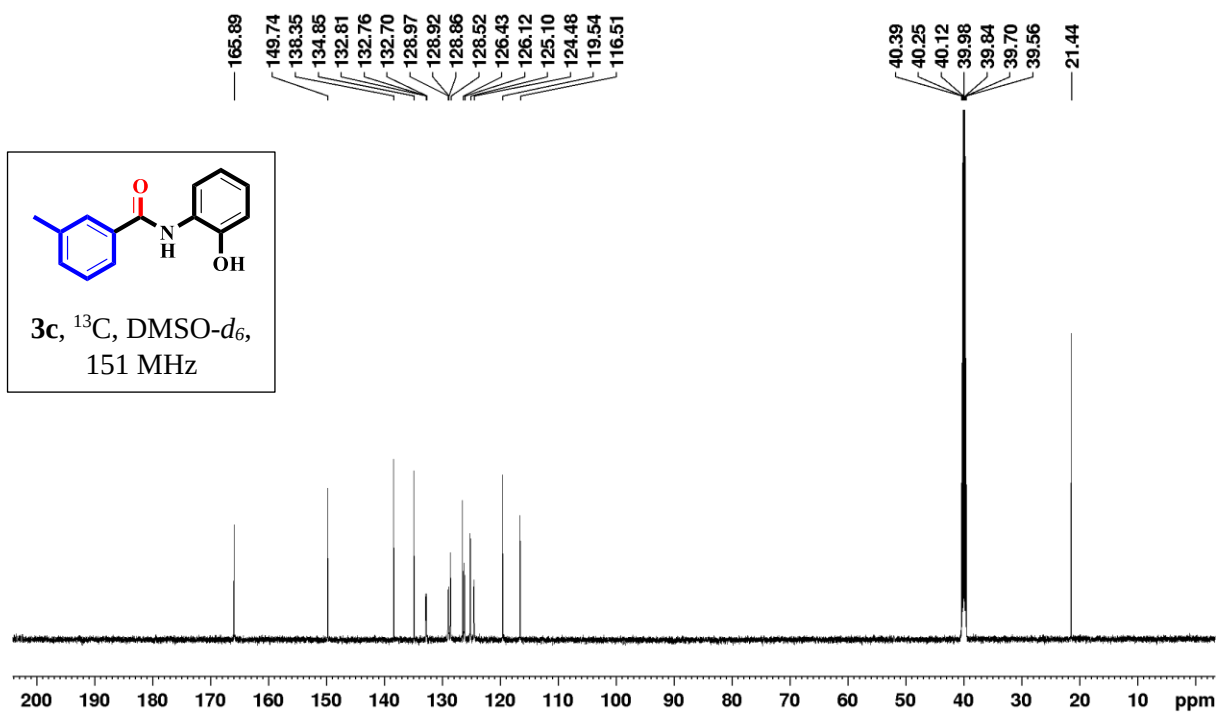
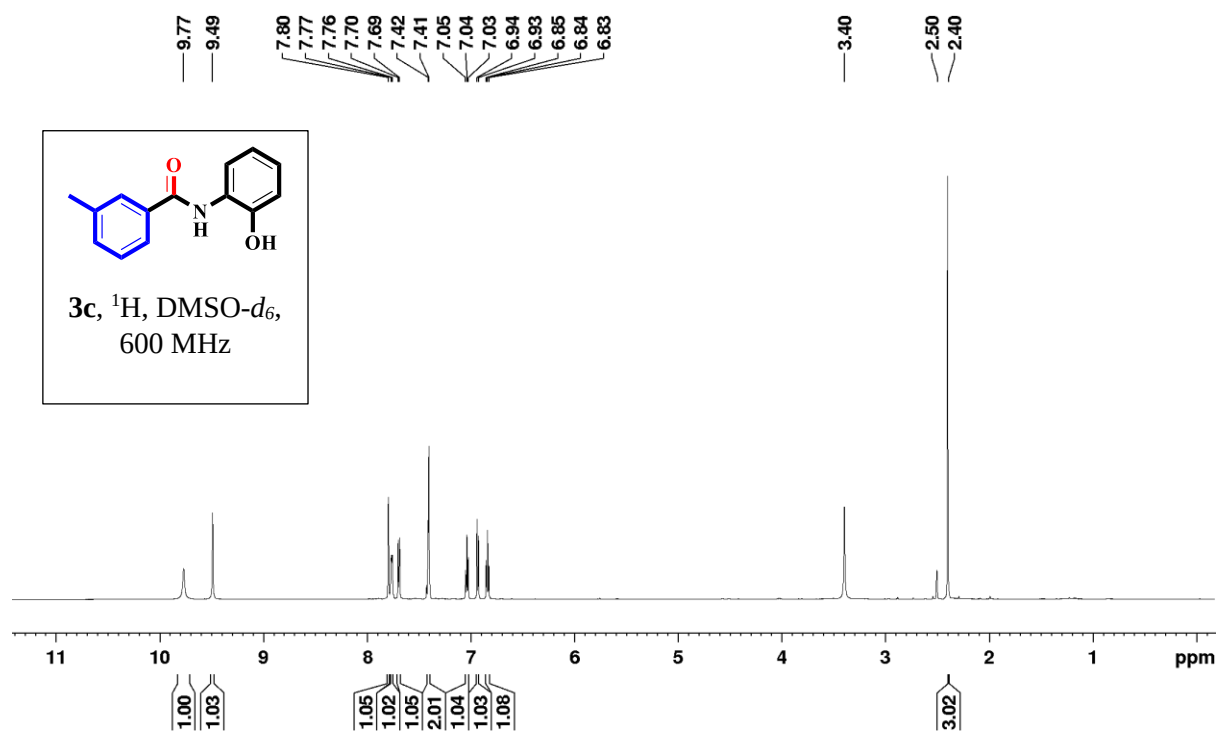
Prepared as described for **3a**; Iodobenzene **1a** (0.245 mmol, 27.3 μ L), 6-nitrobenzoxazole **2e** (0.367 mmol, 60 mg), Pd@PS (0.007 mmol, 156 mg), K₂CO₃ (0.36 mmol, 50 mg), imidazole (0.245, 16.6 mg) and DMF (1.5 mL) while the outer vial contained oxalic acid (1.47 mmol, 132 mg) in 0.5 mL of DMF gave **3ae** after purification silica gel (mesh 60:120) column chromatography (20 % EtOAc in n-hexane) as light pink solid (42 mg, 67% yield); ¹H (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ (ppm) 10.54 (s,1H), 10.00 (s,1H), 7.98-7.99 (d, *J*=7.56 Hz, 2H), 7.59-7.61 (m, 1H),7.52-7.54 (m, 2H), 7.40-7.41(m, 1H), 7.31-7.34(t, *J*=8.16 Hz, 1H), 7.26-7.28 (m, 1H); ¹³C (CDCl₃, 150 MHz) δ (ppm) 165.53, 153.80, 147.30, 133.65, 131.90, 128.42, 127.83, 127.10, 120.48, 118.59, 114.68. ESI-MS [M+H]⁺ (*m/z*) calcd. for C₁₃H₁₁N₂O₄⁺ is 259.0713, obsd. 259.0706.

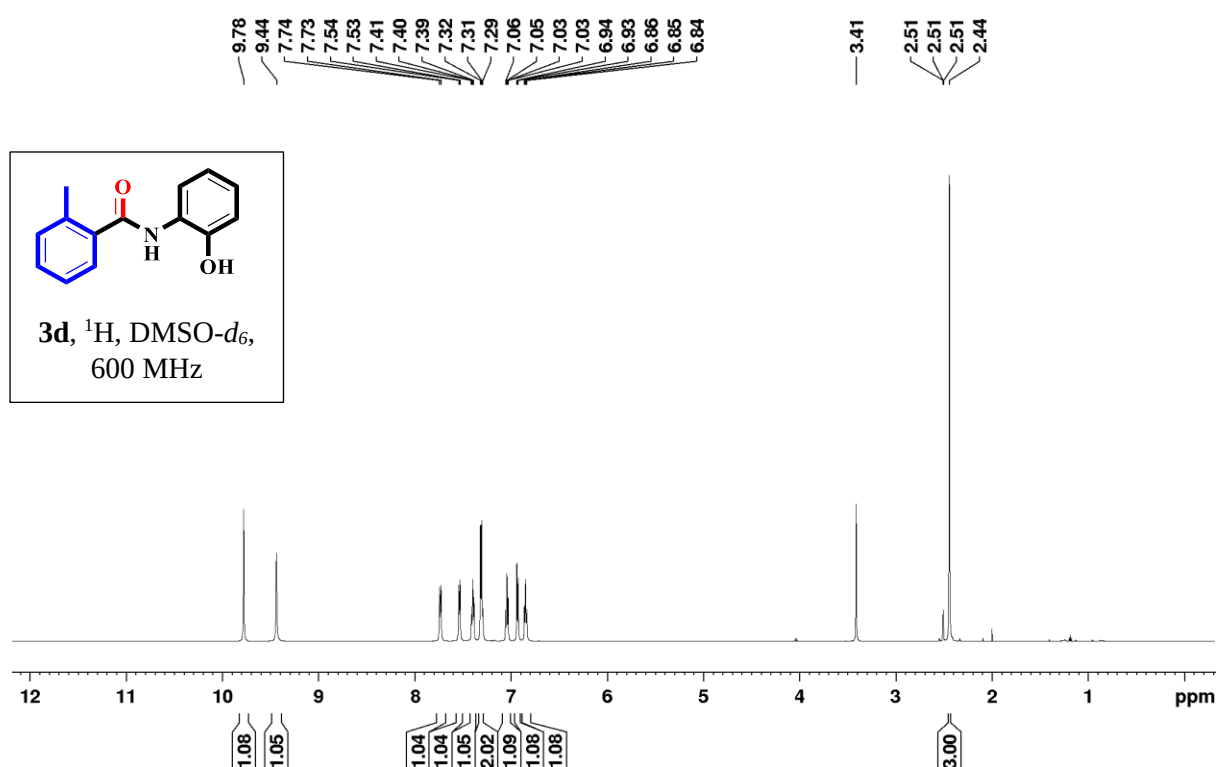
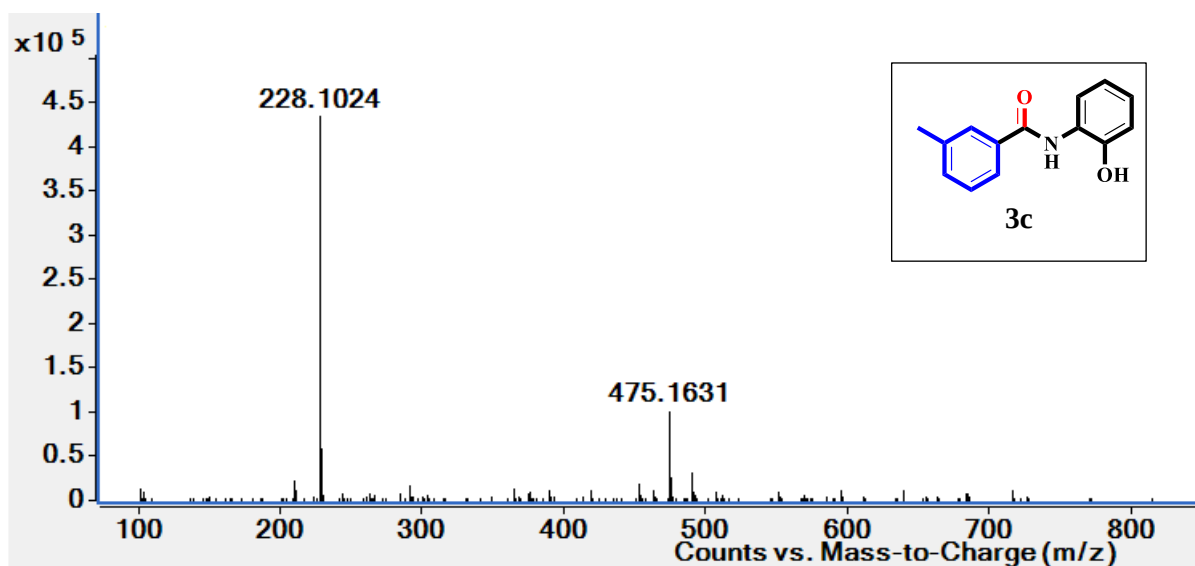
E. ^1H , ^{13}C and ESI-MS spectra of synthesized compounds

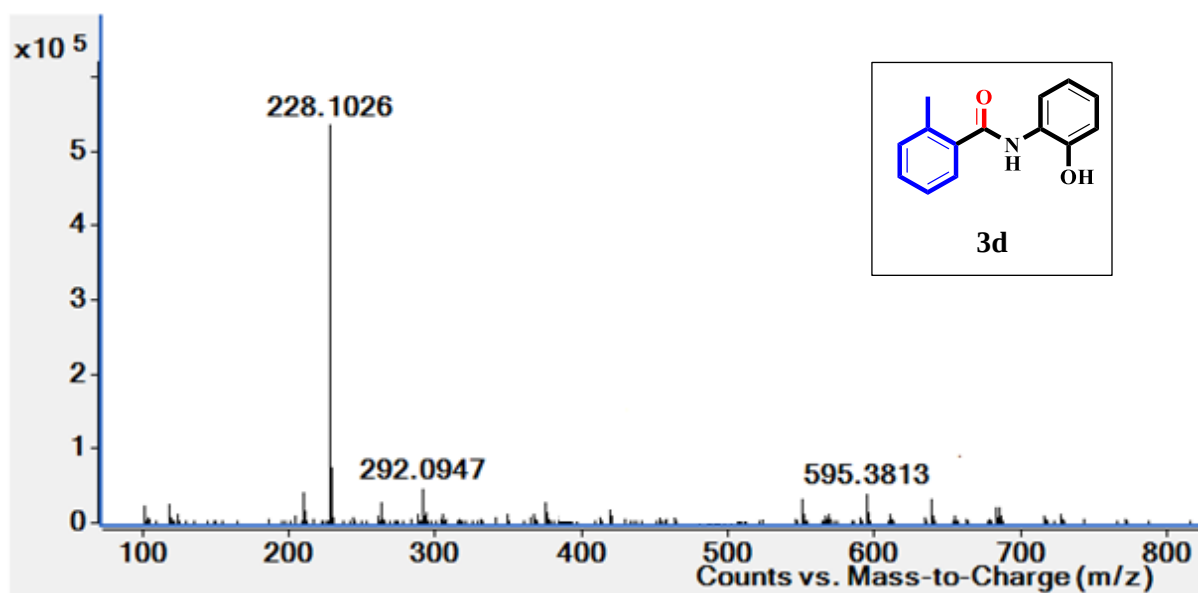
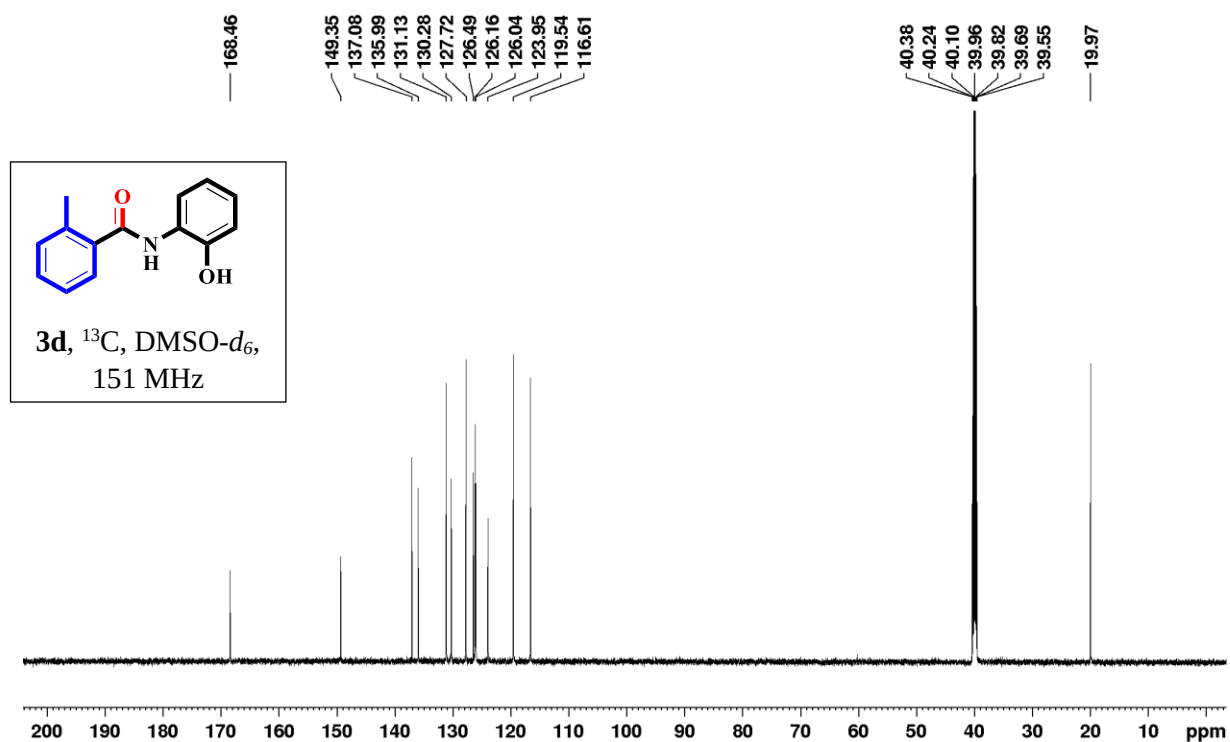


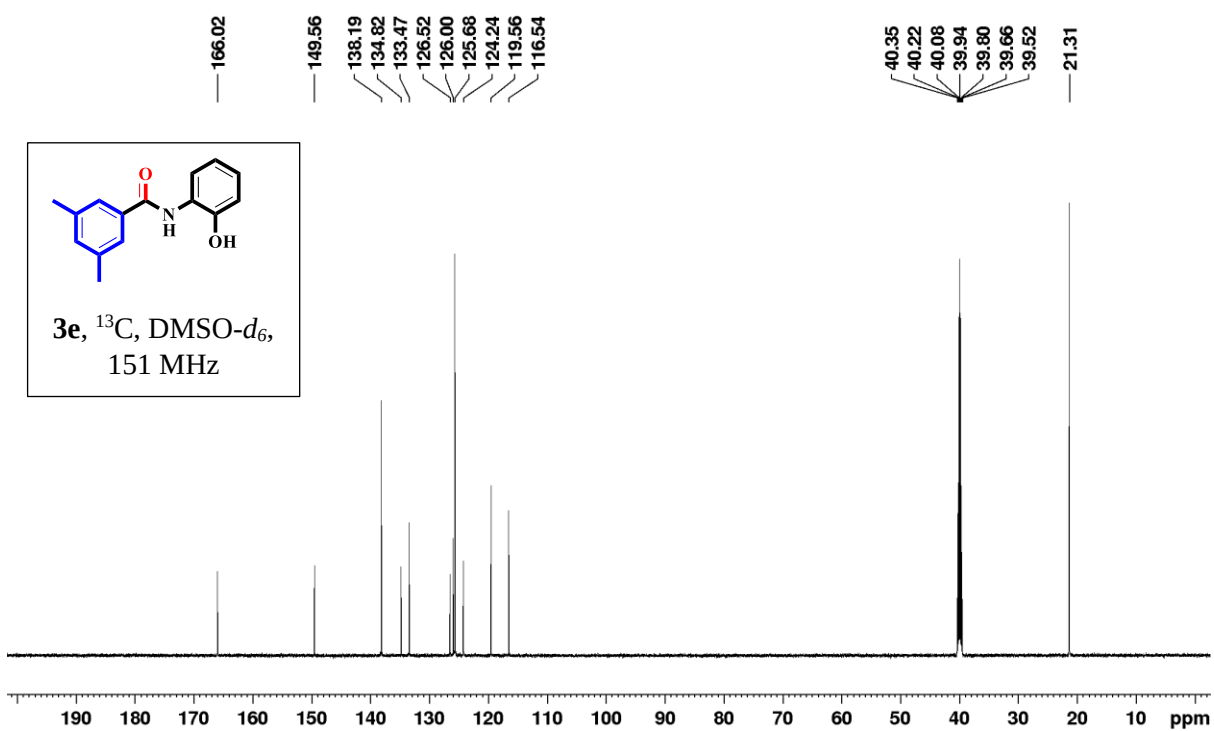
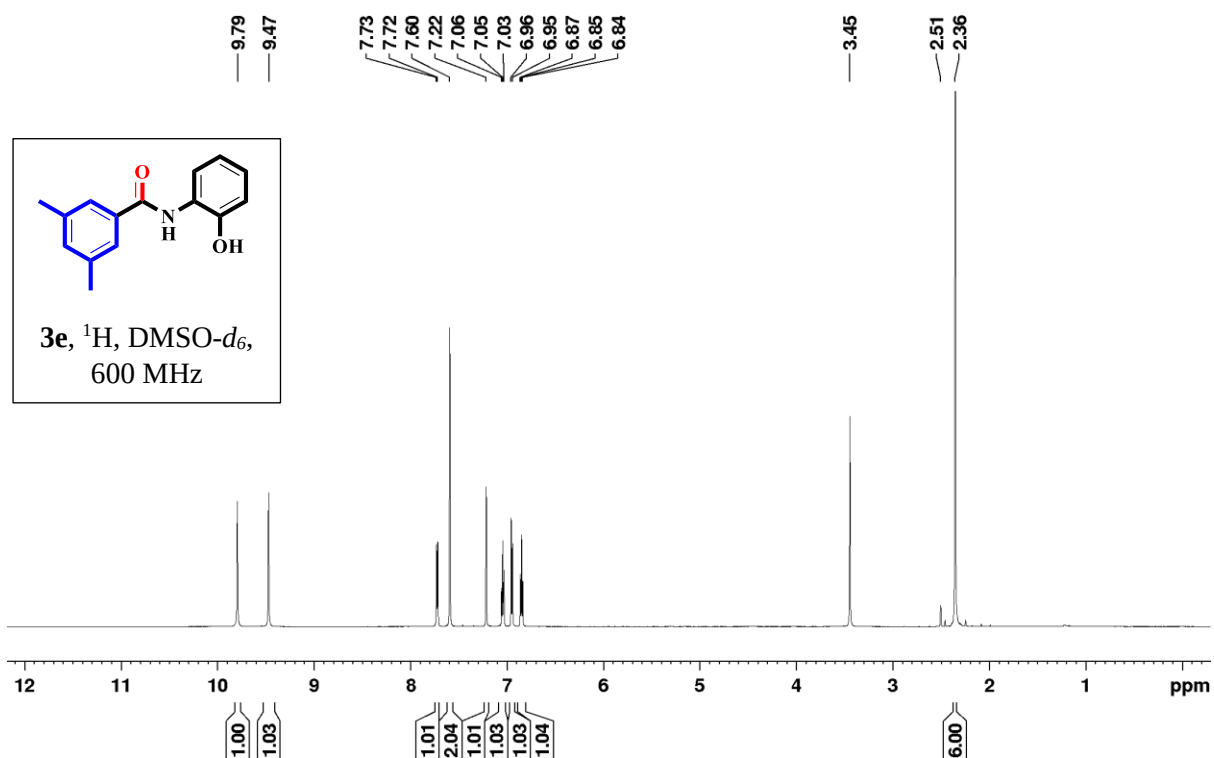


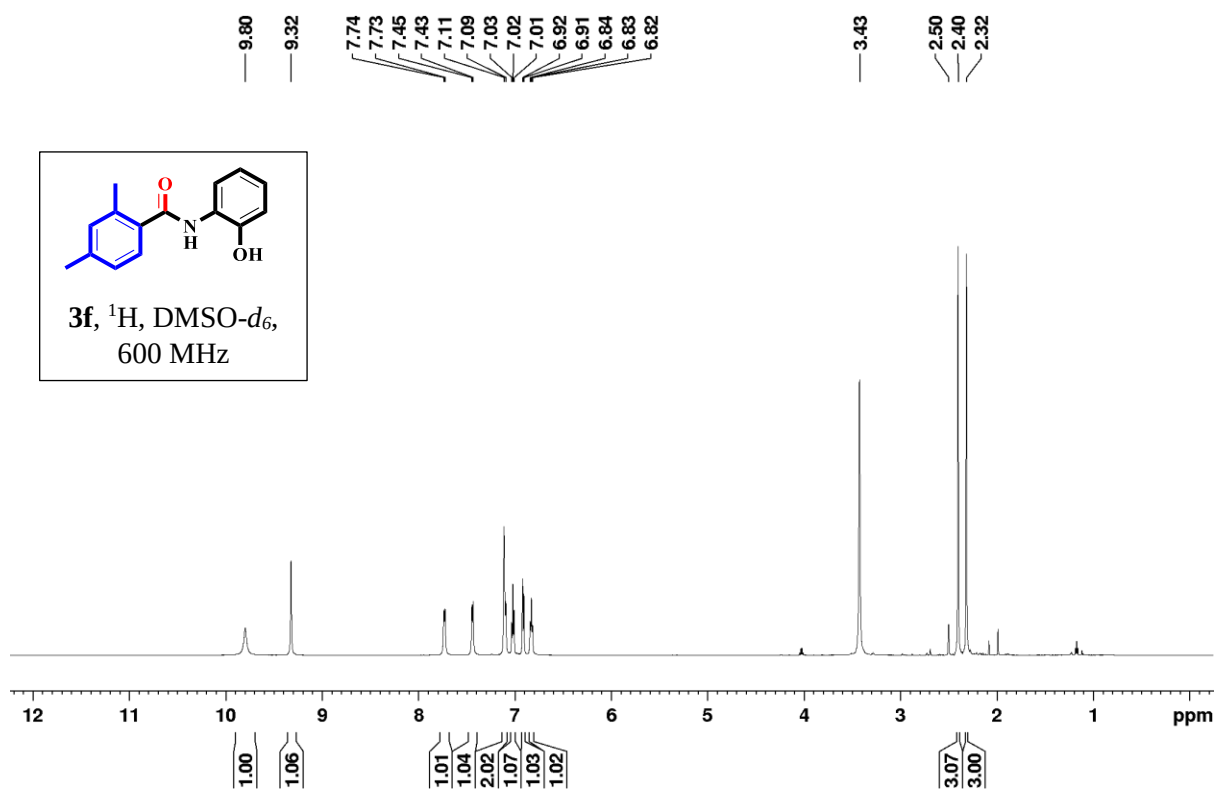
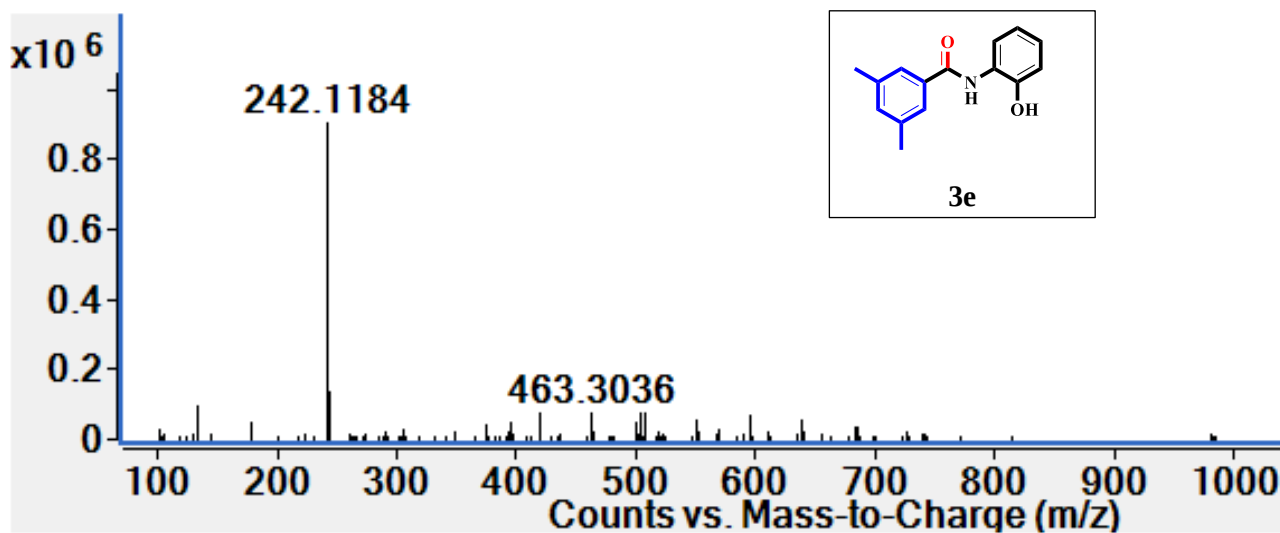


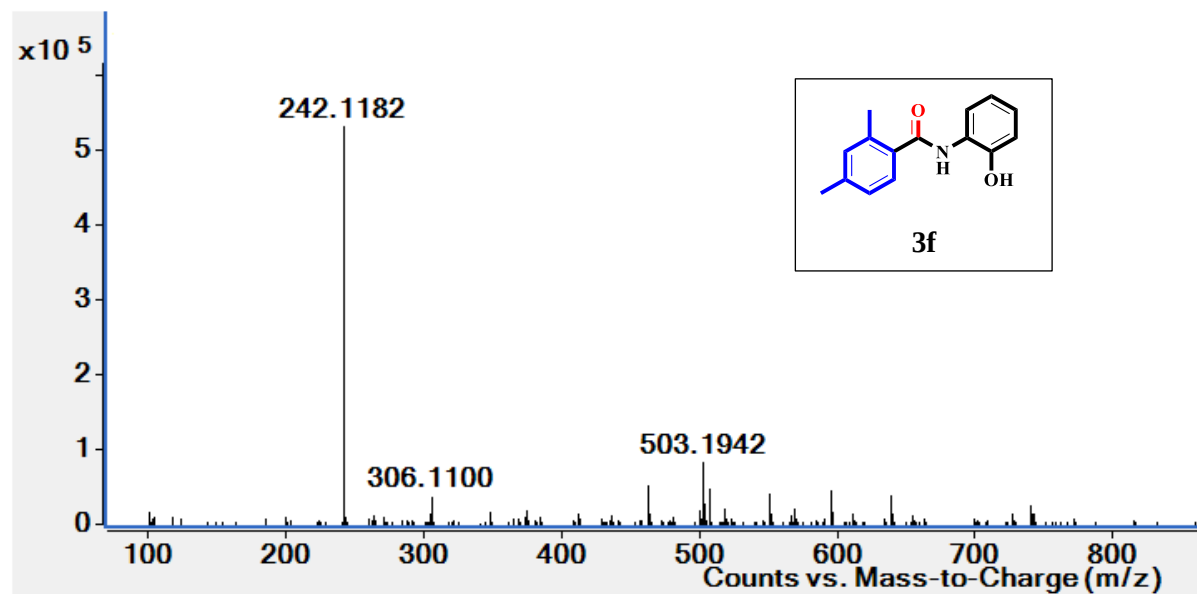
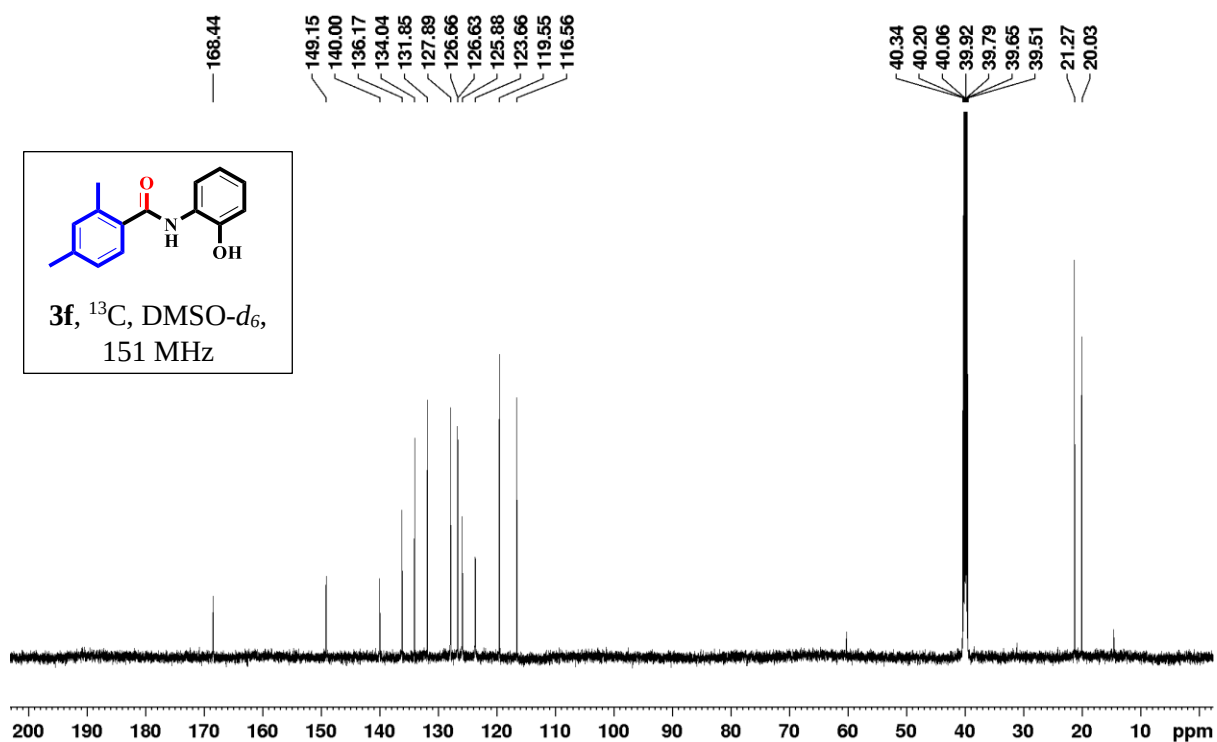


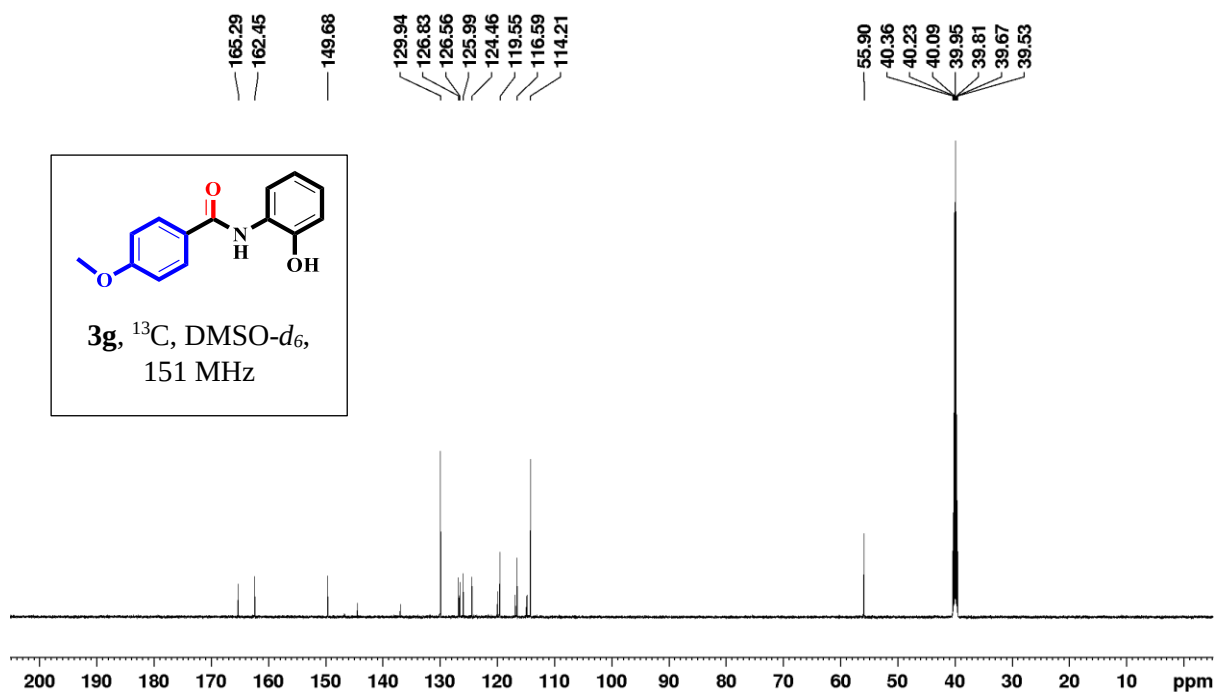
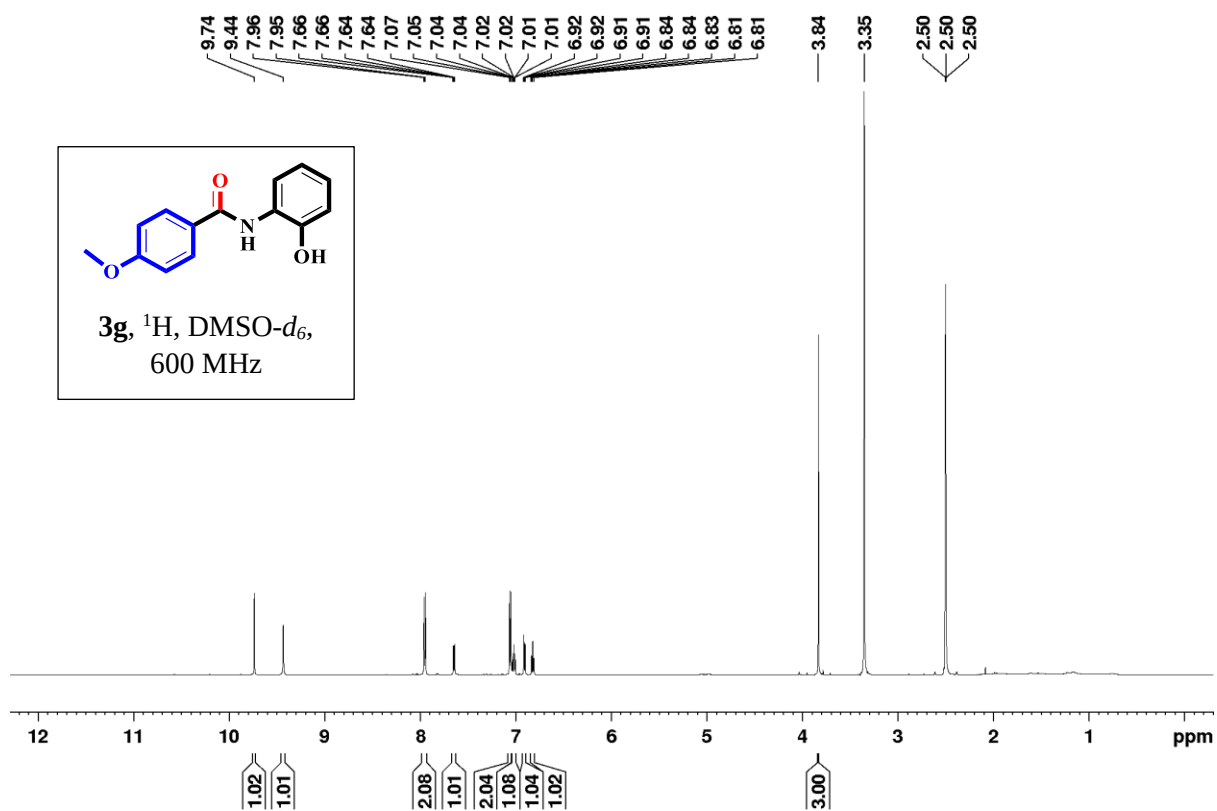


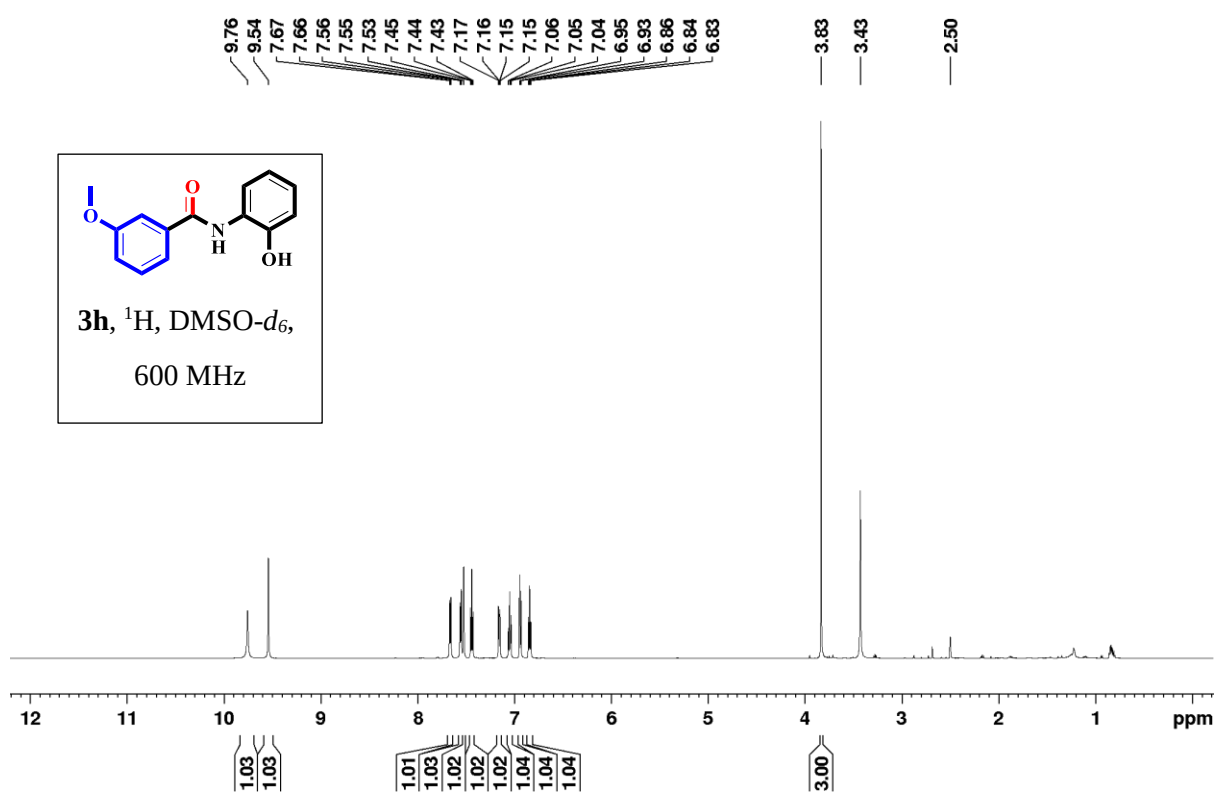
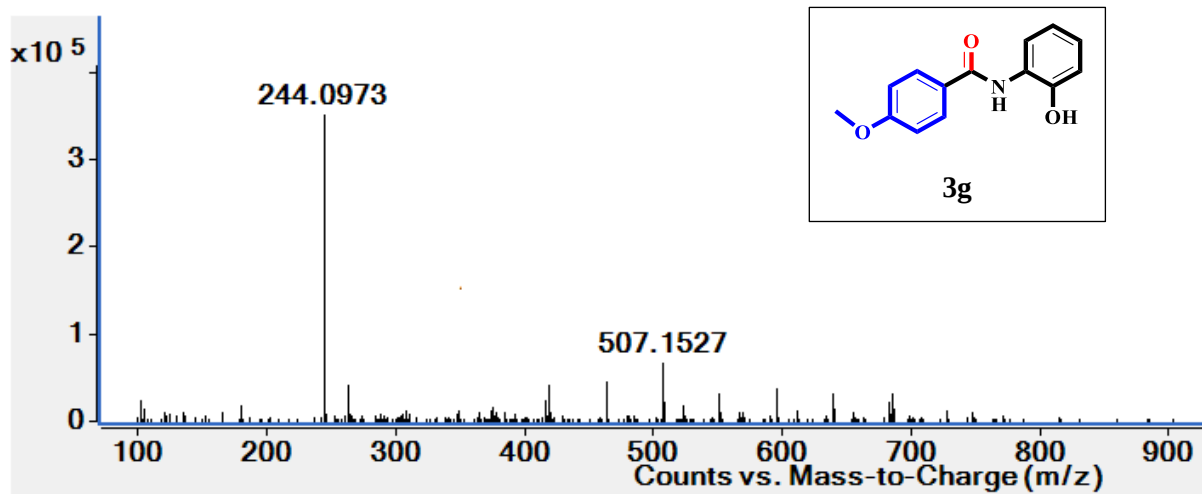


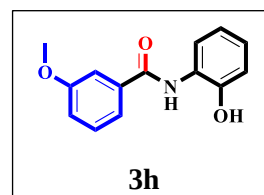
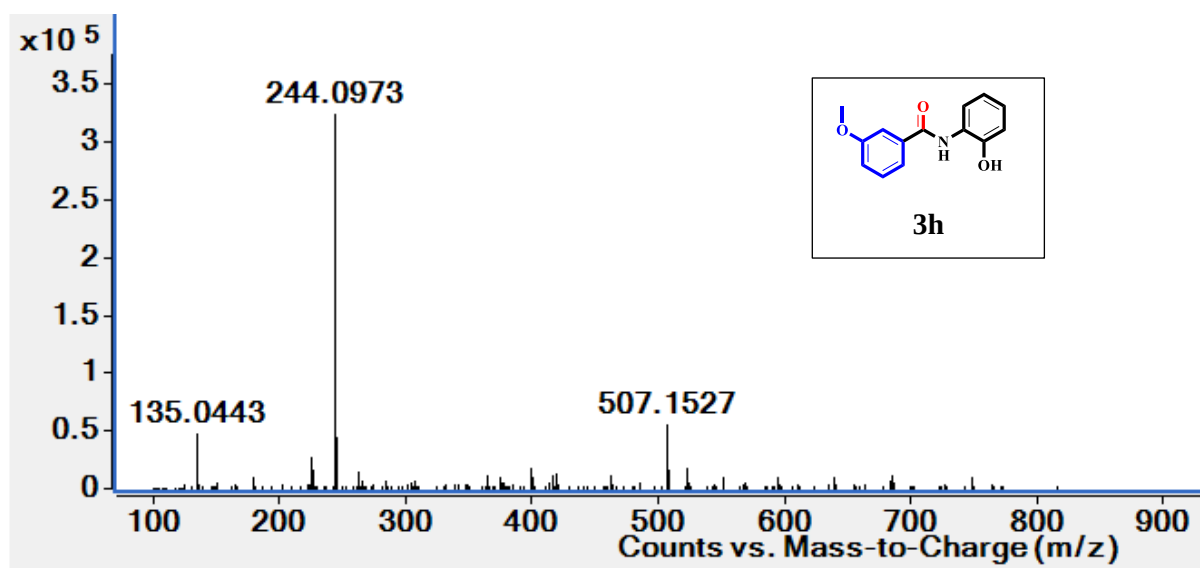
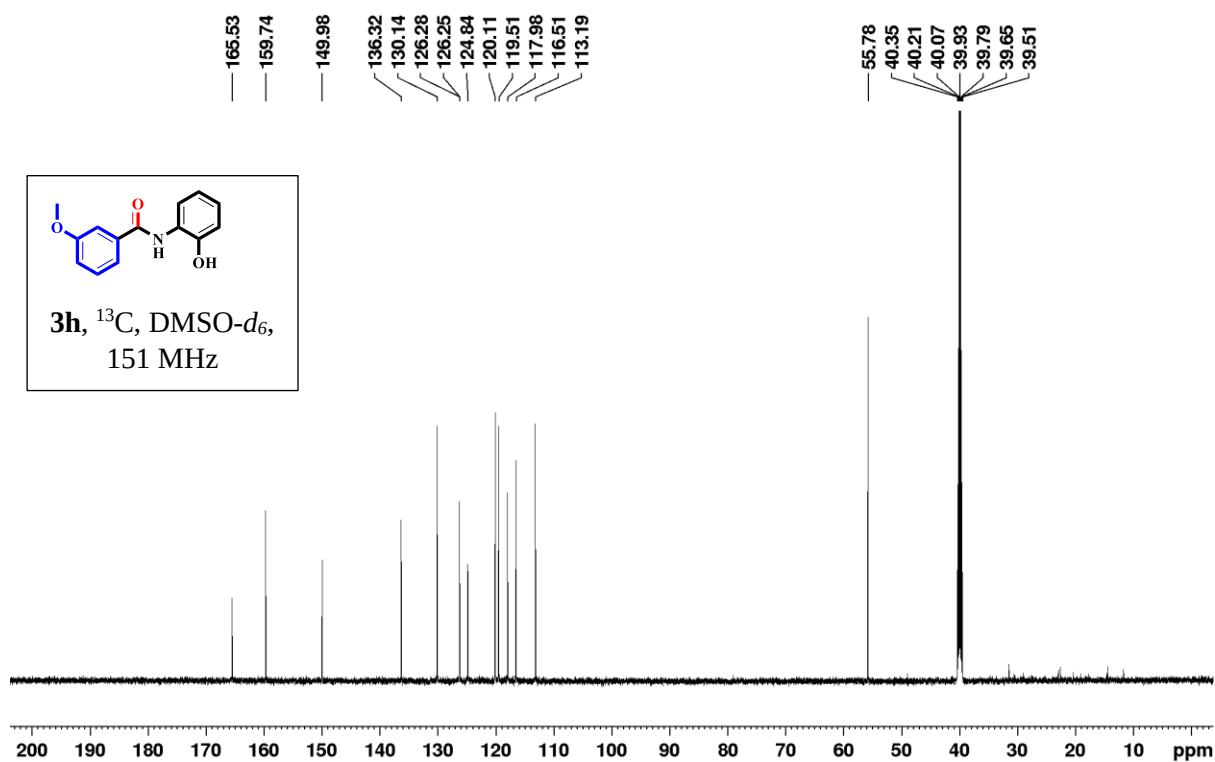


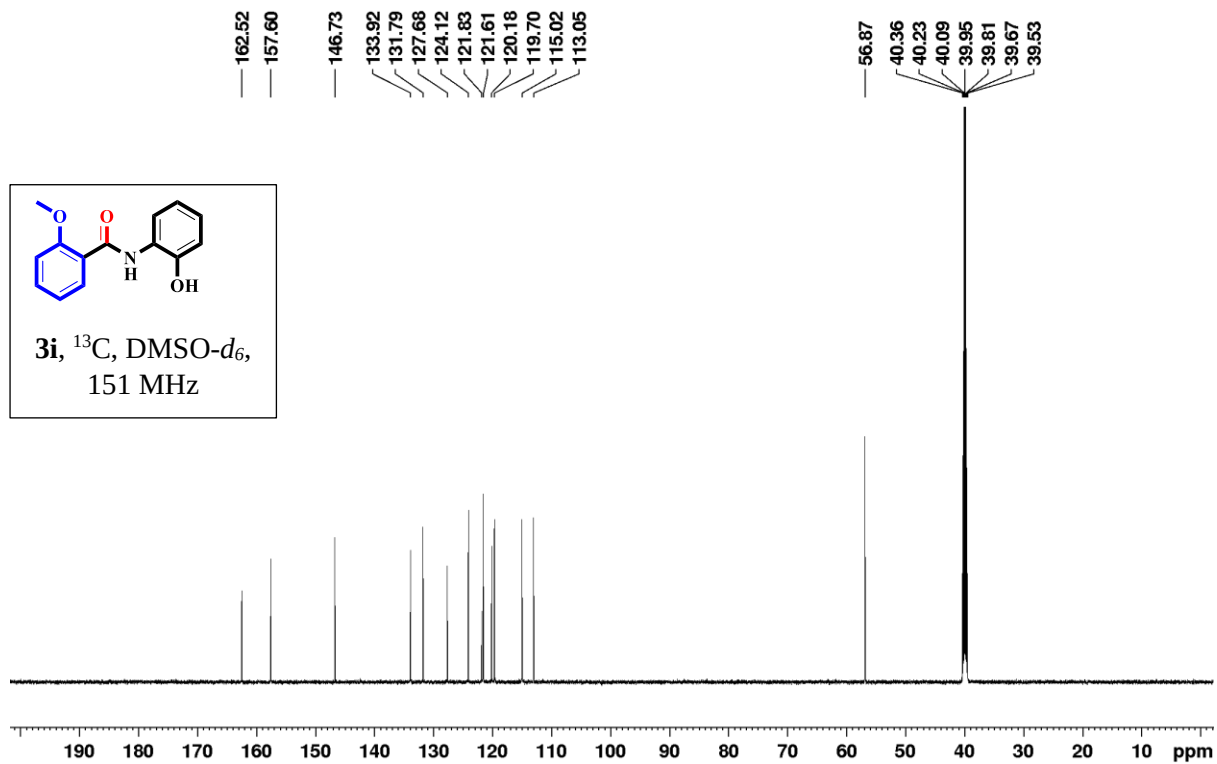
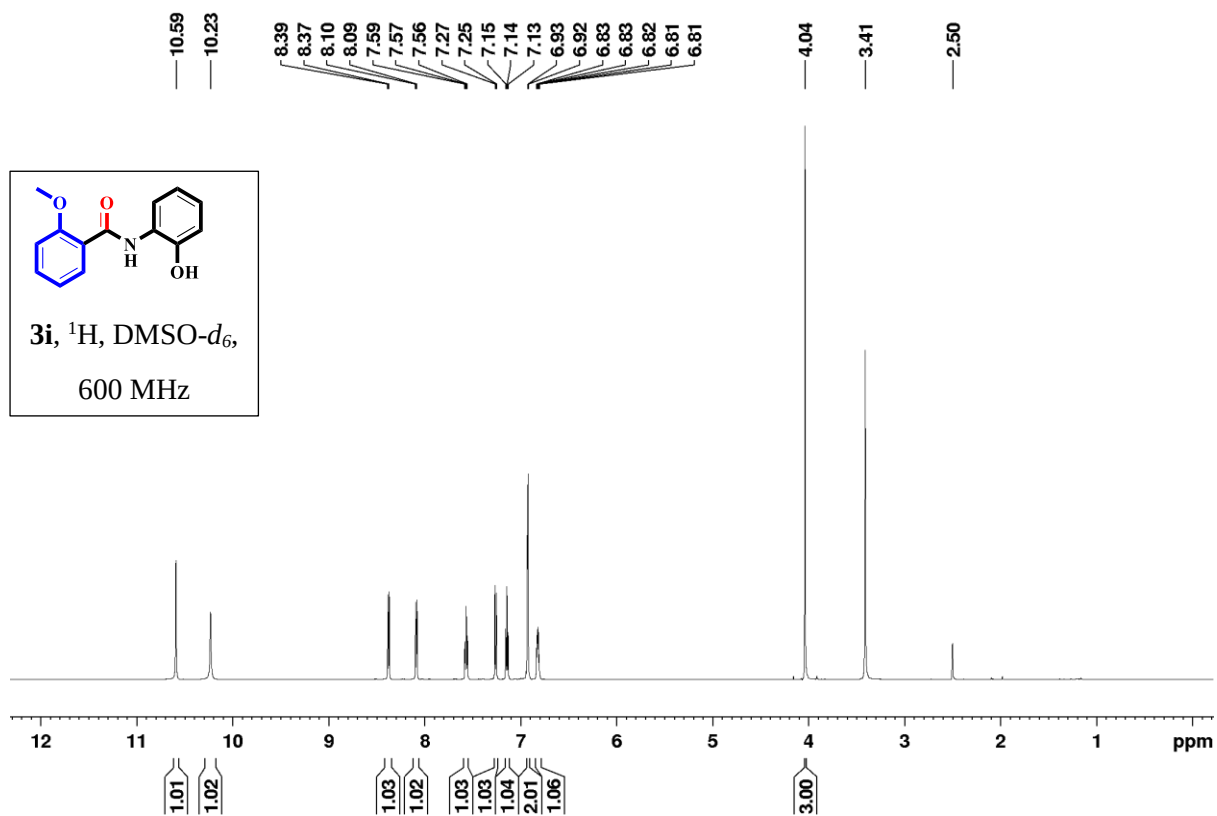


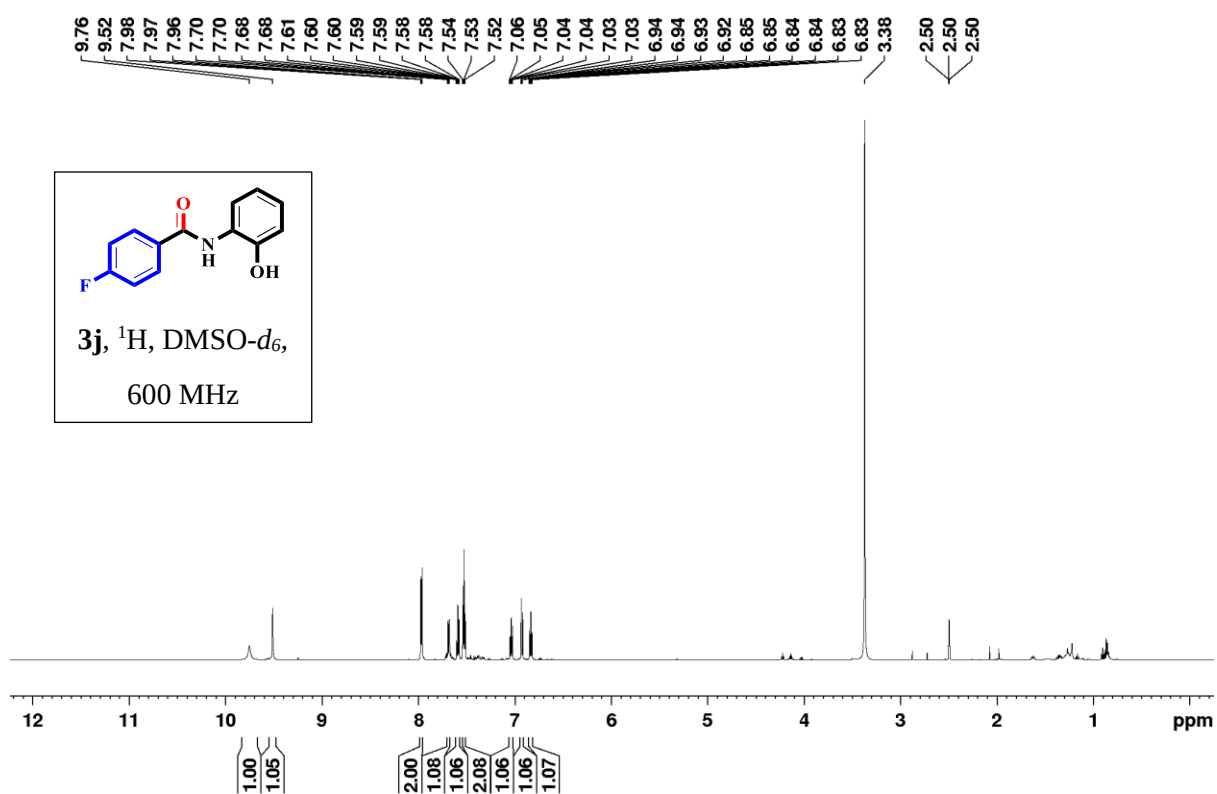
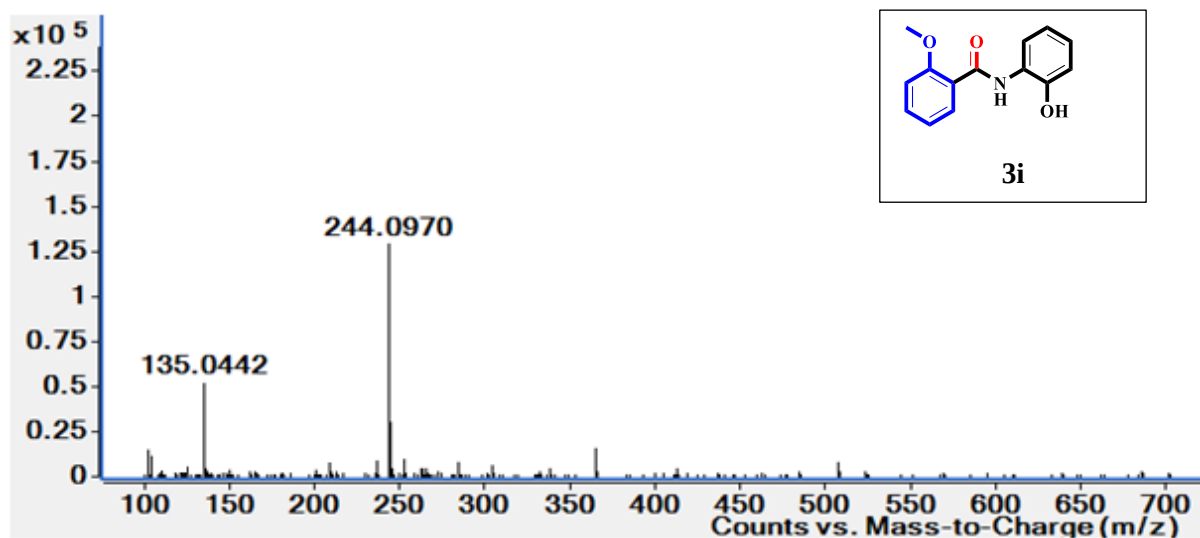


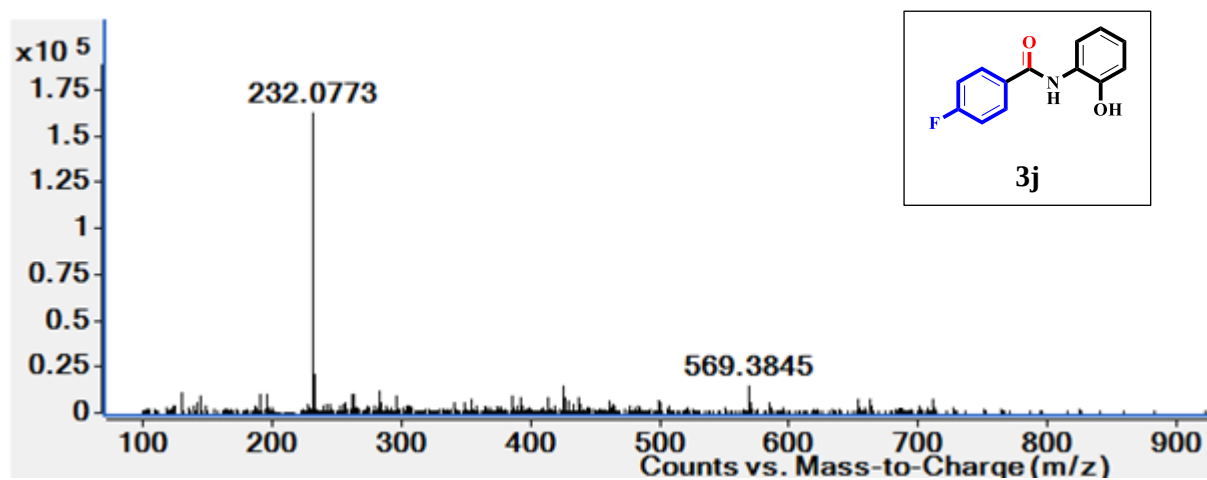
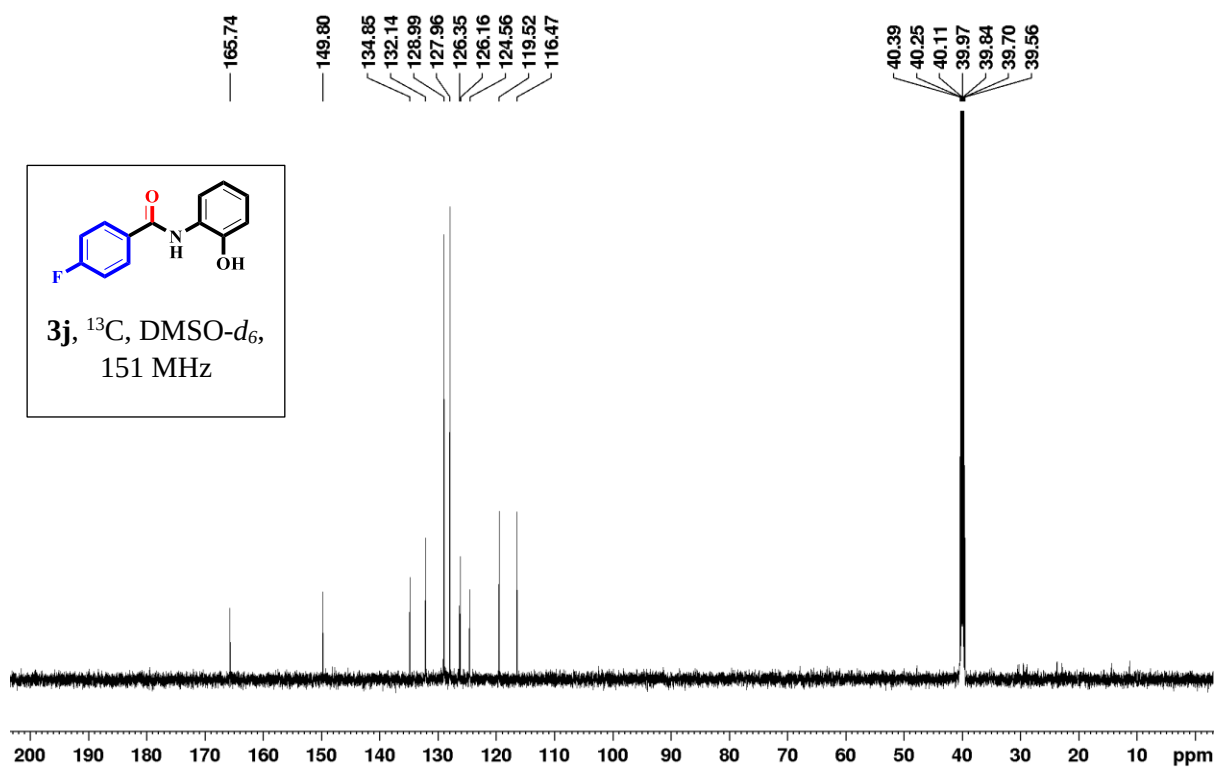


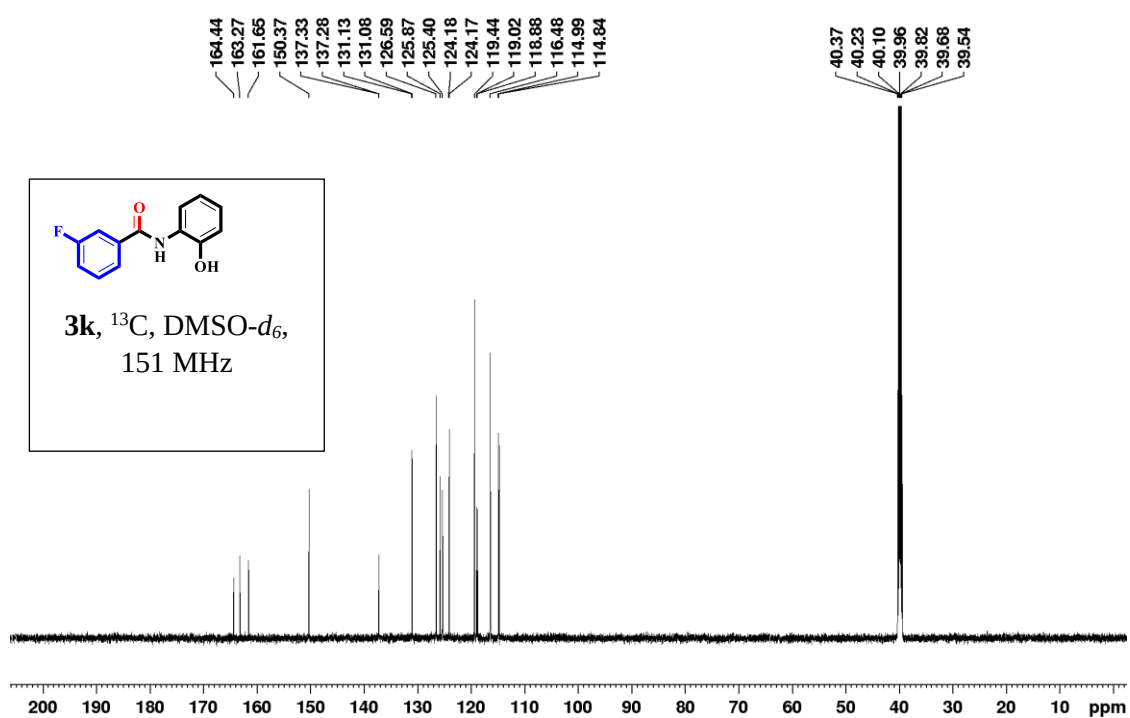
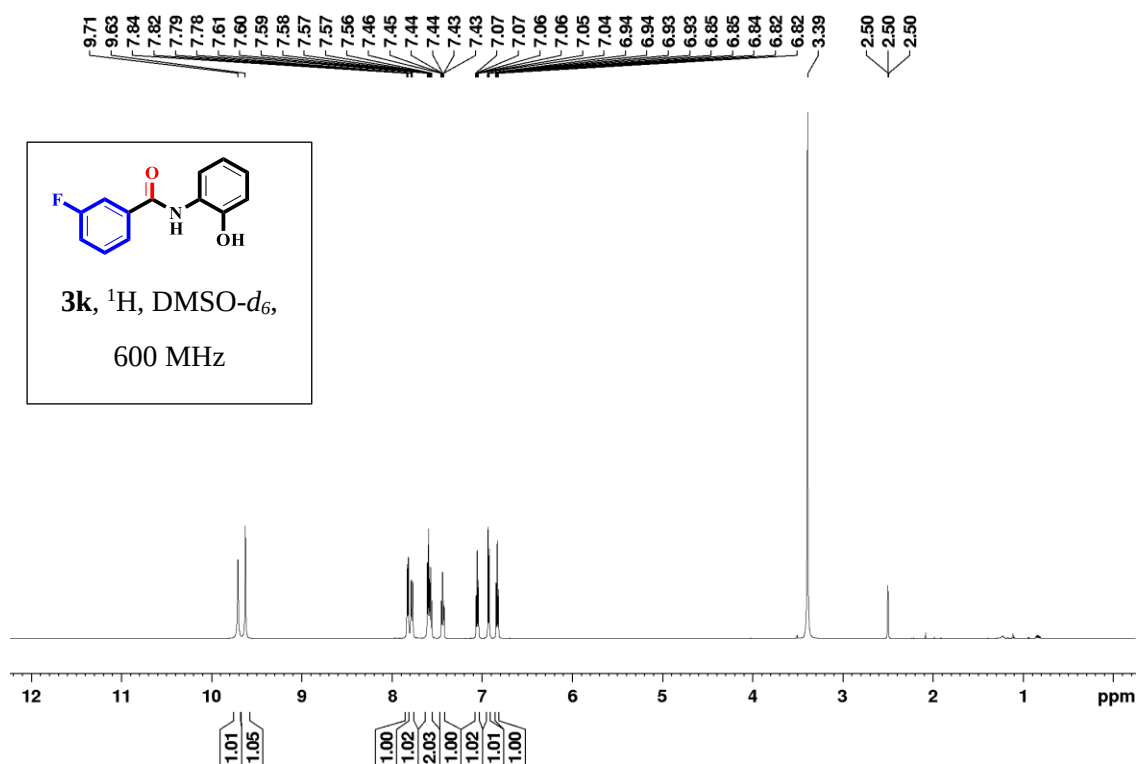


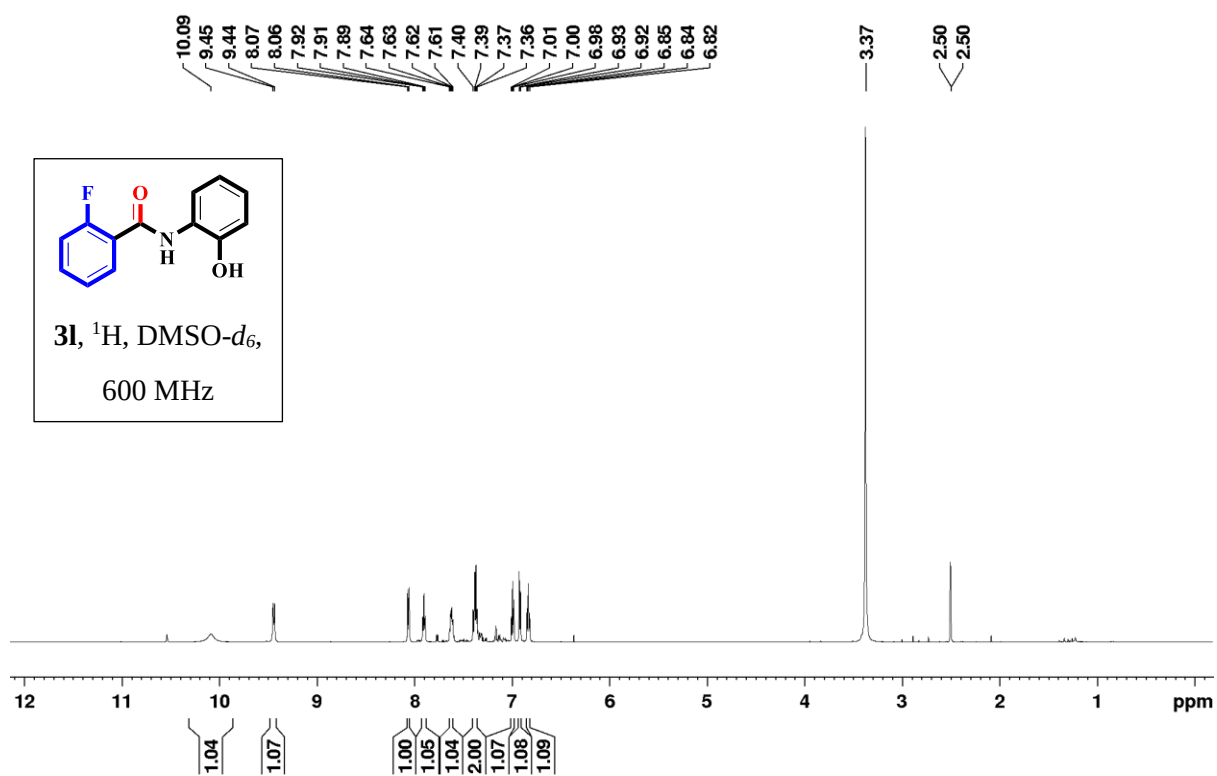
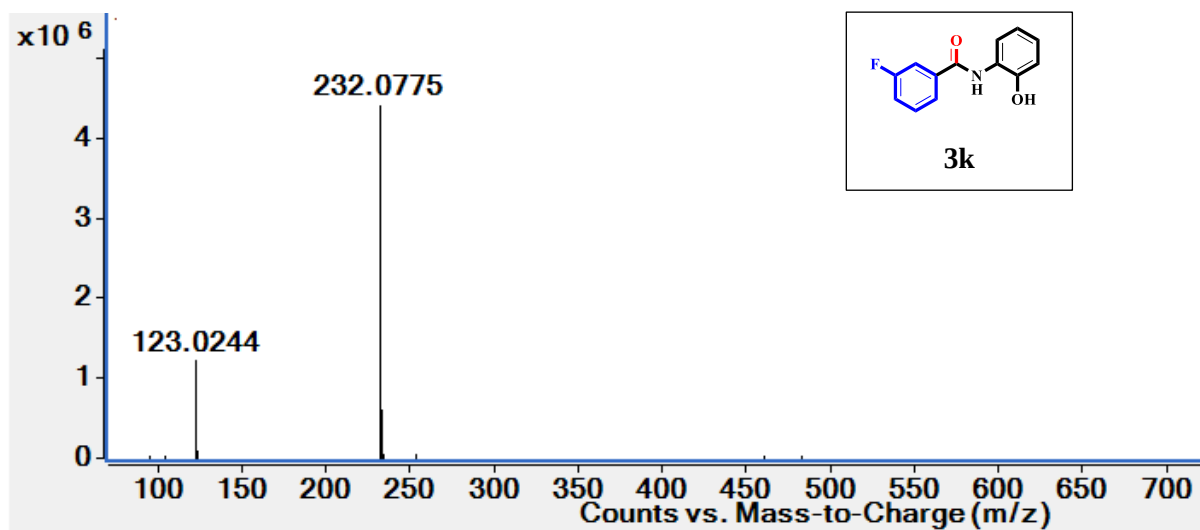


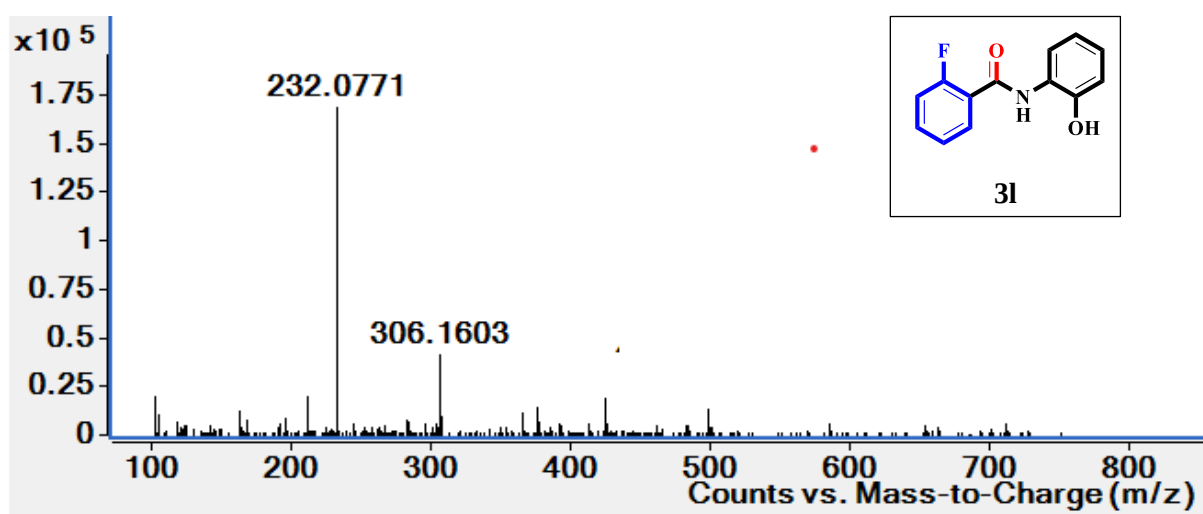
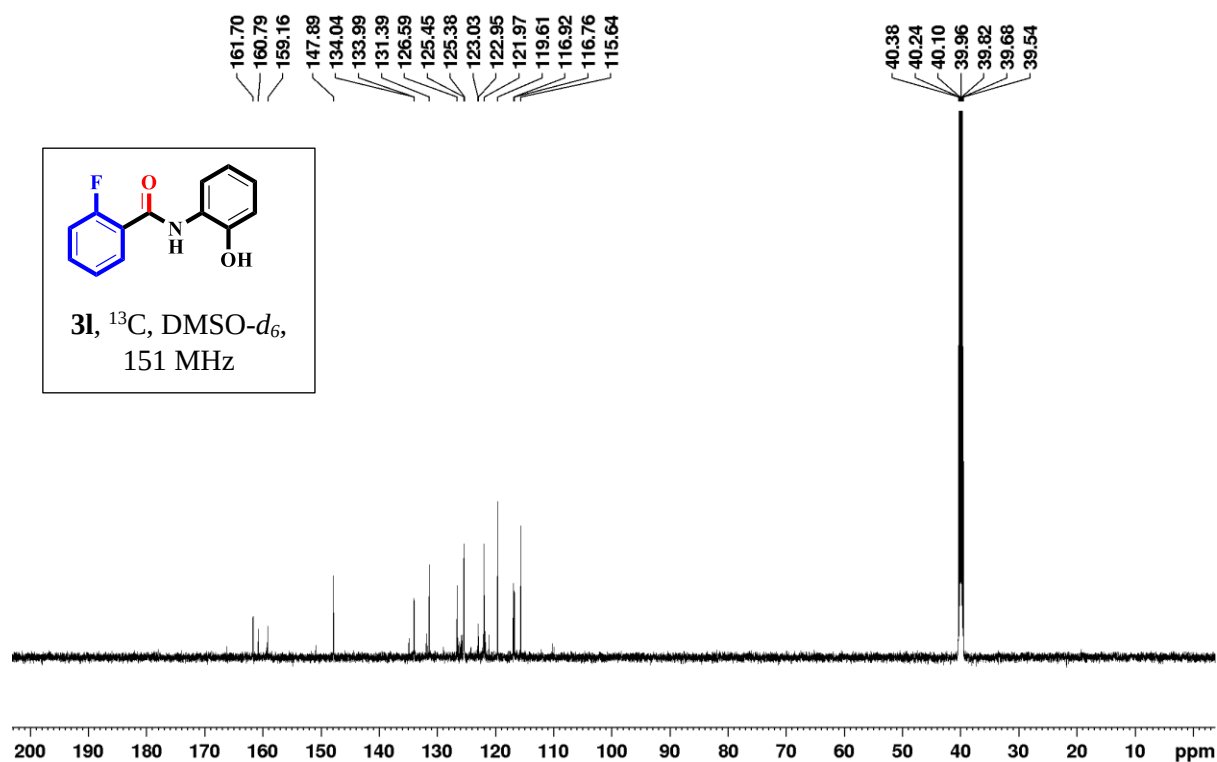


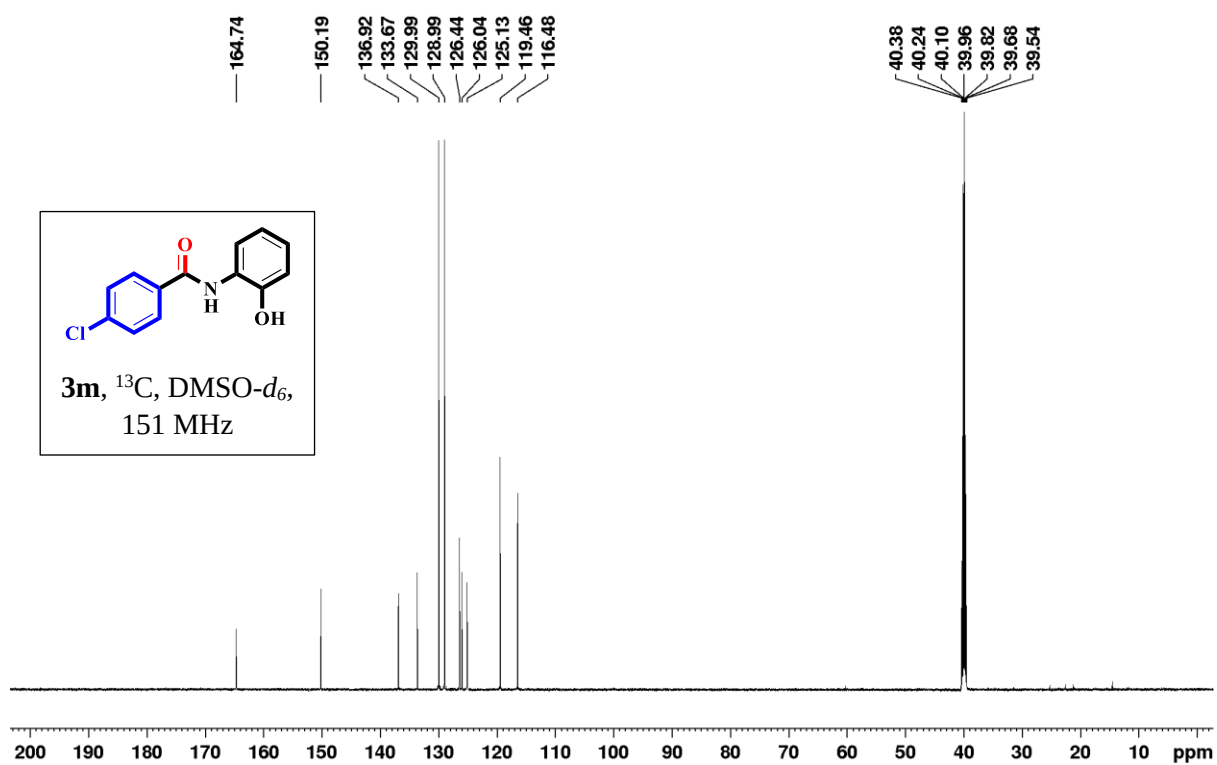
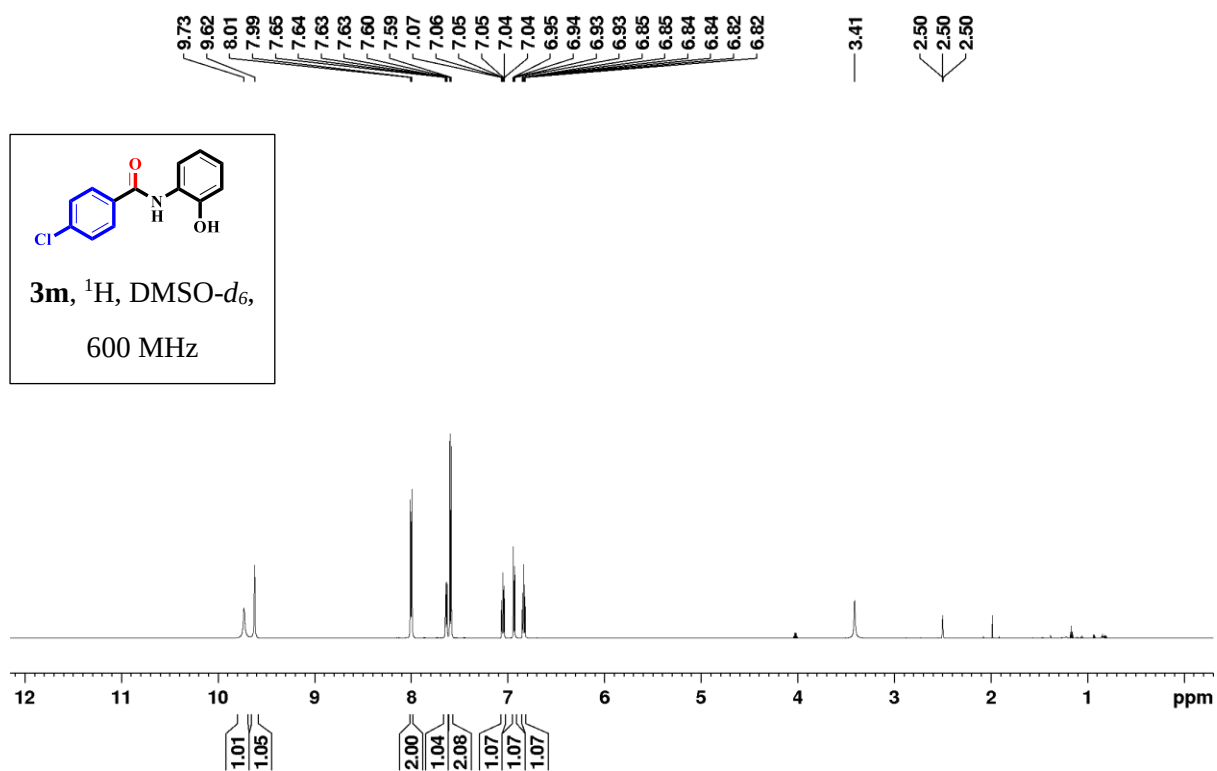


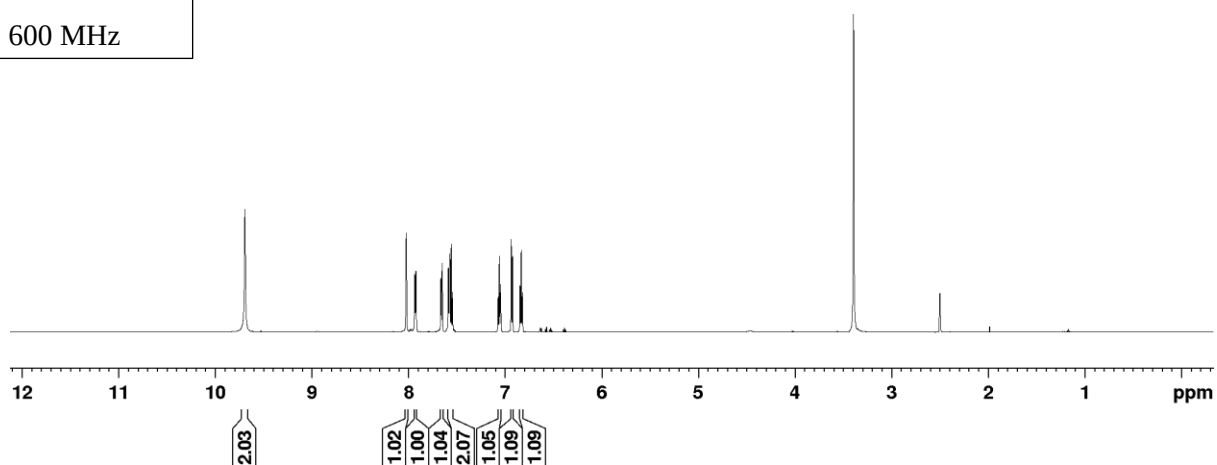
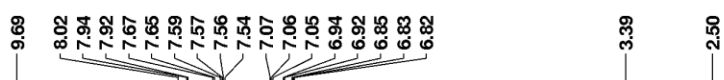
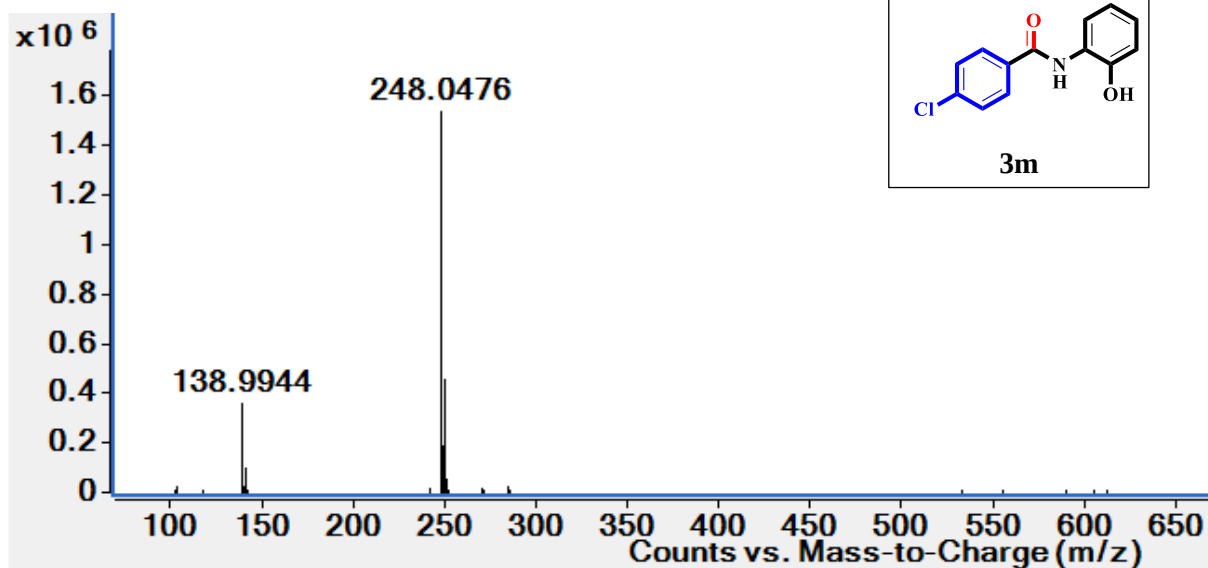


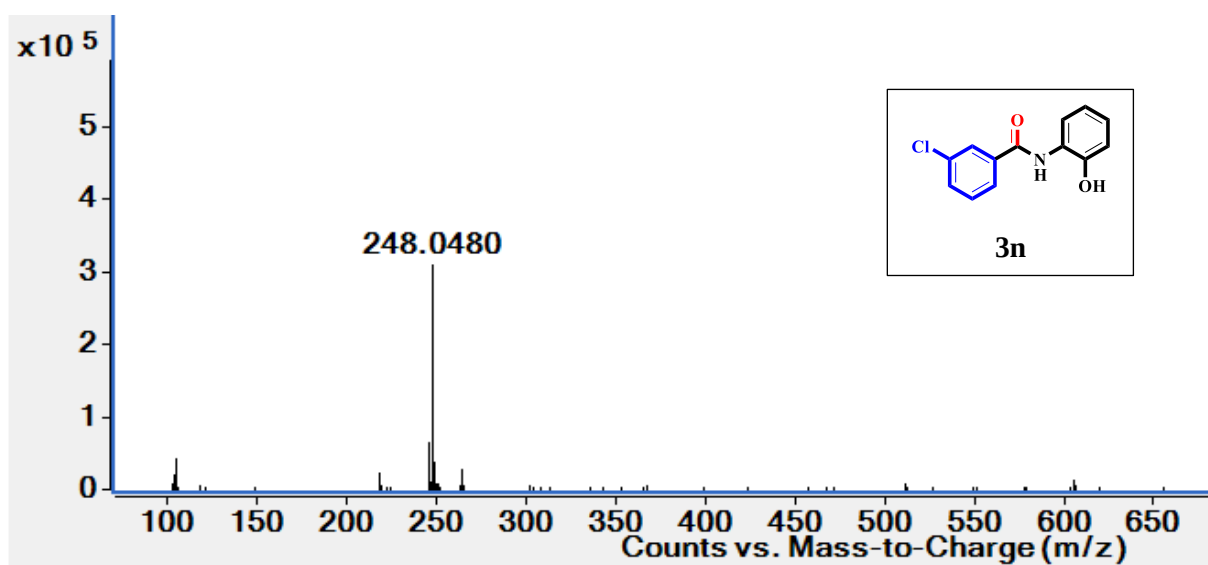
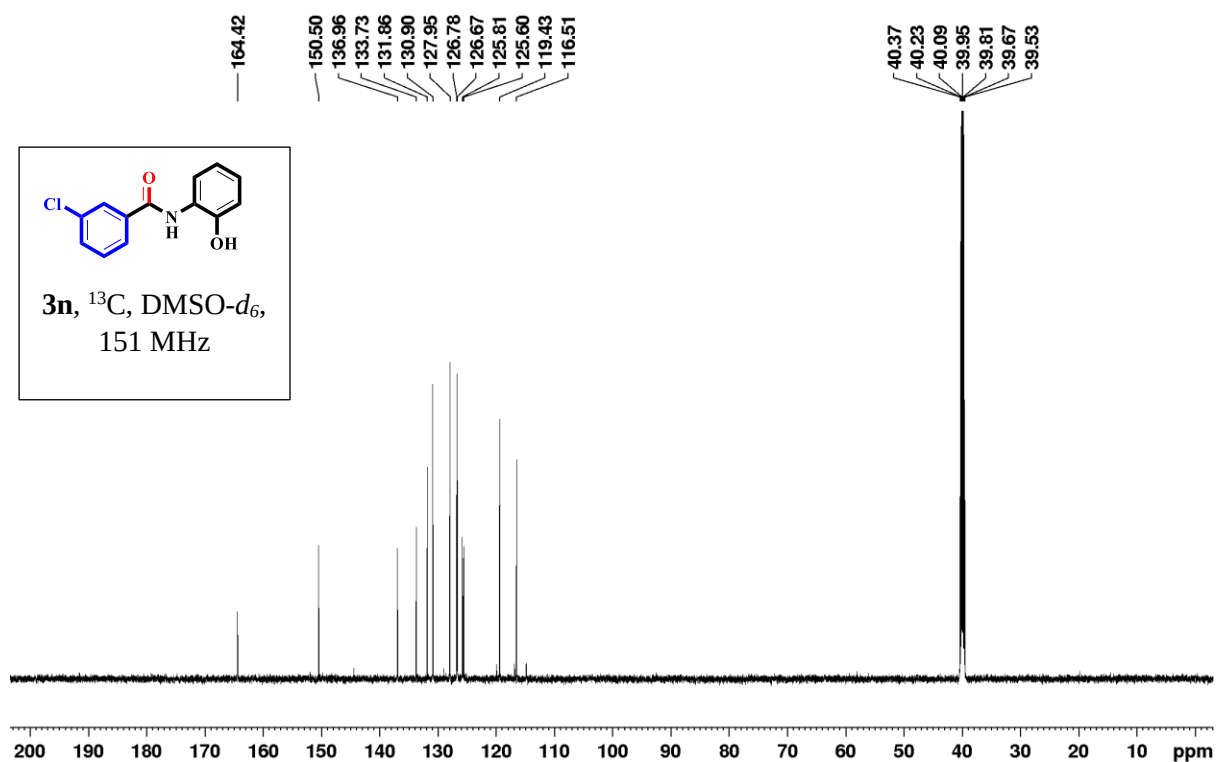


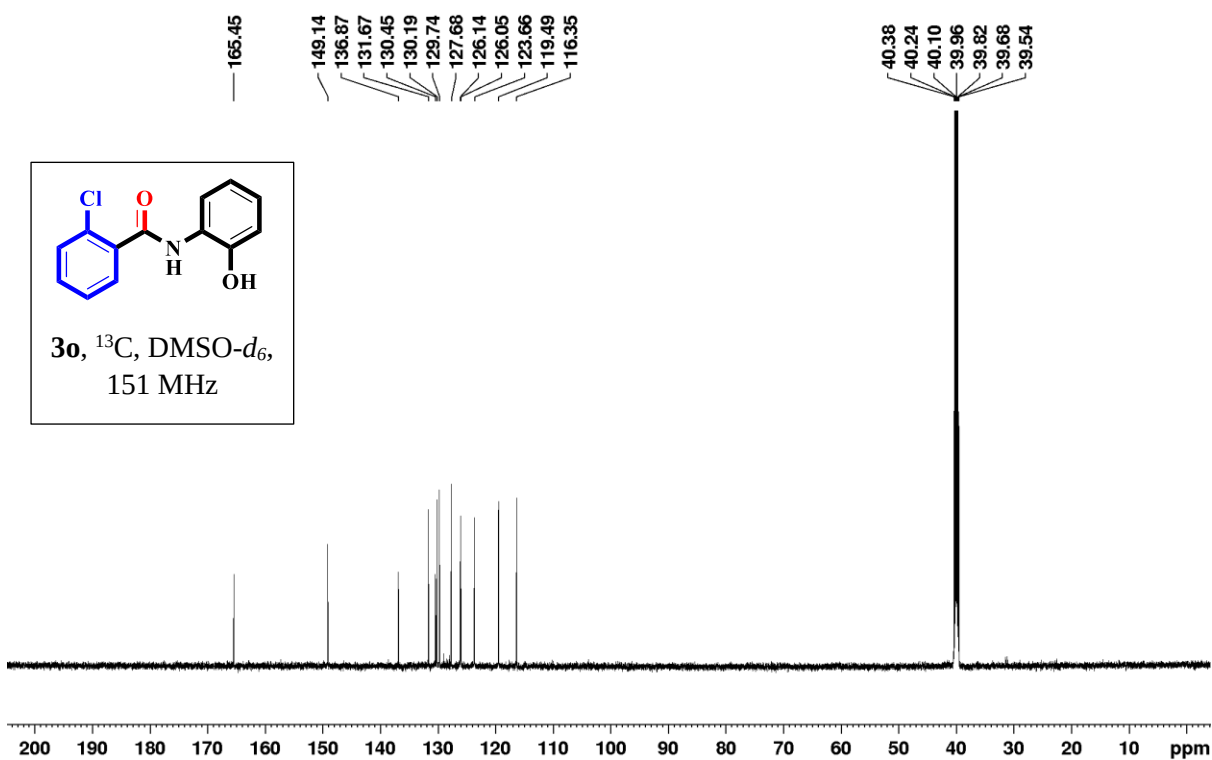
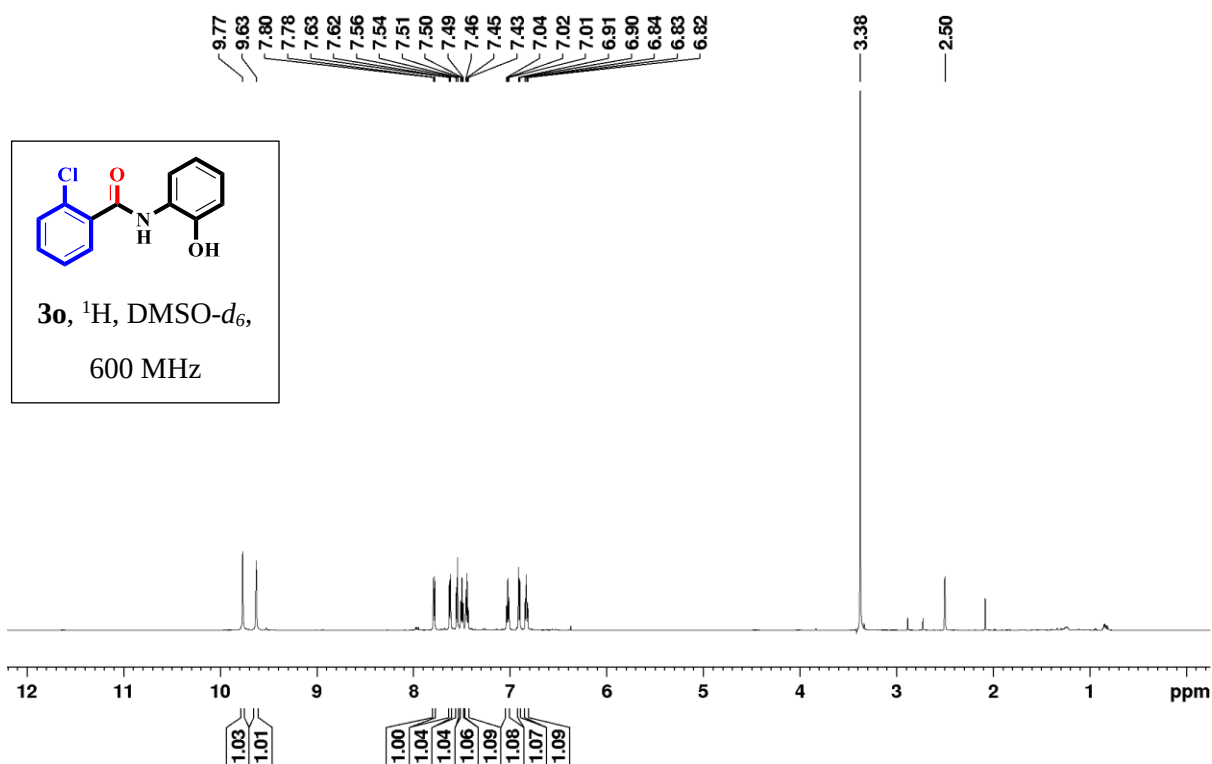


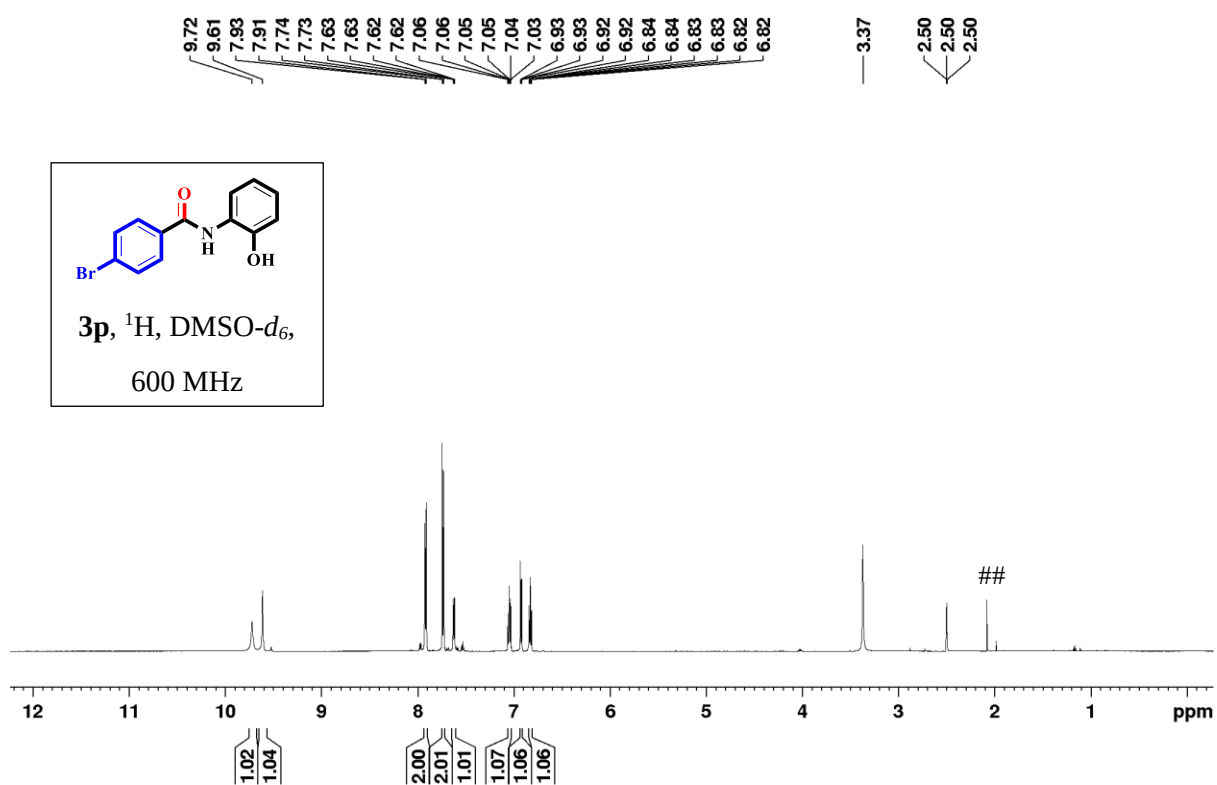
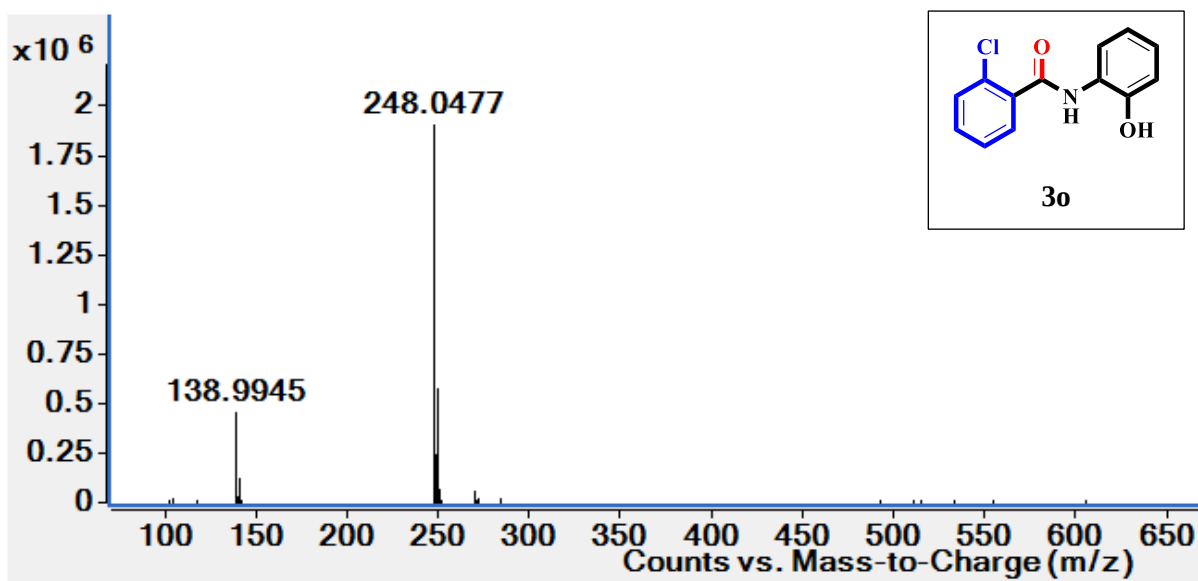


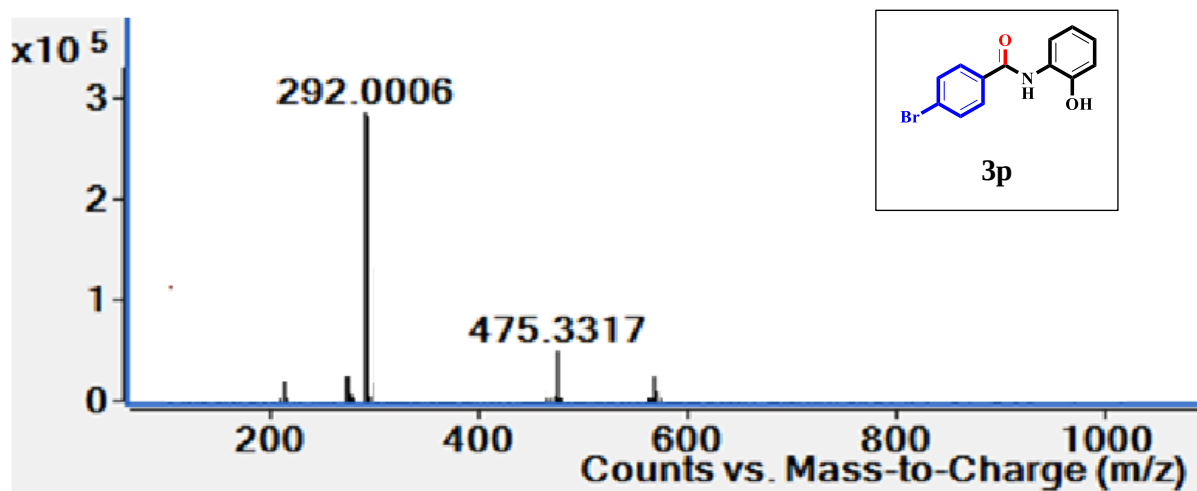
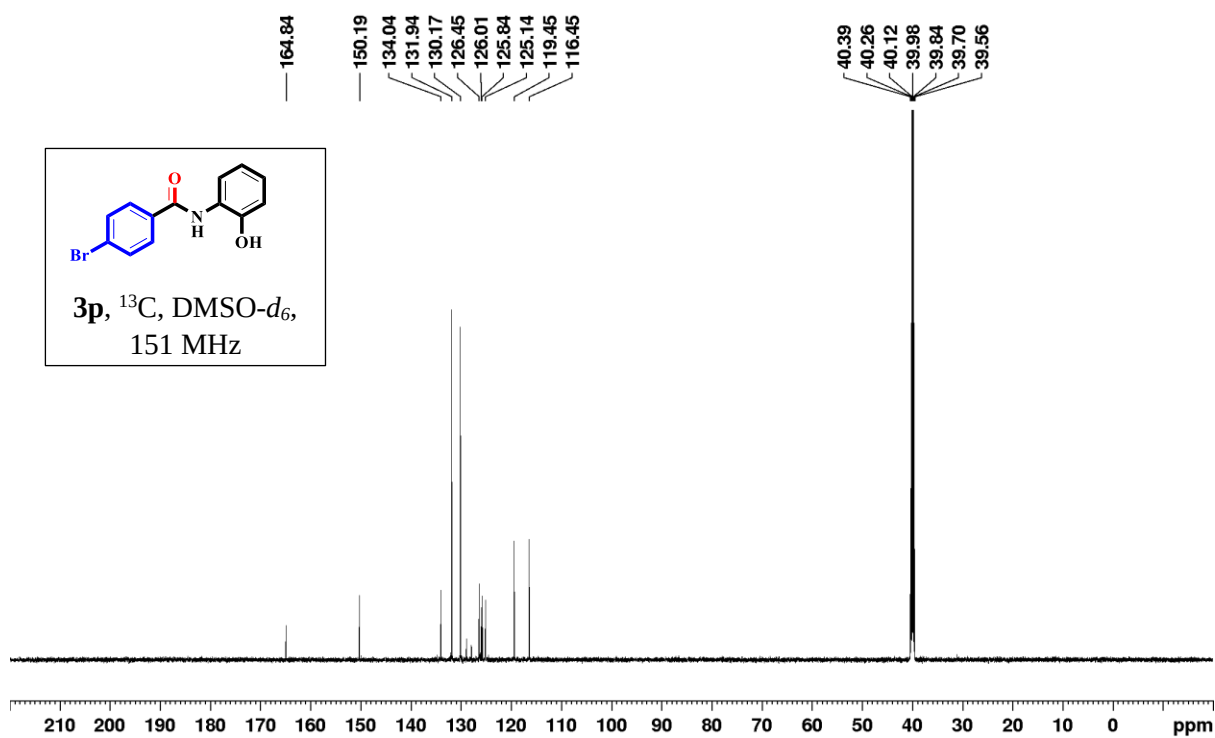


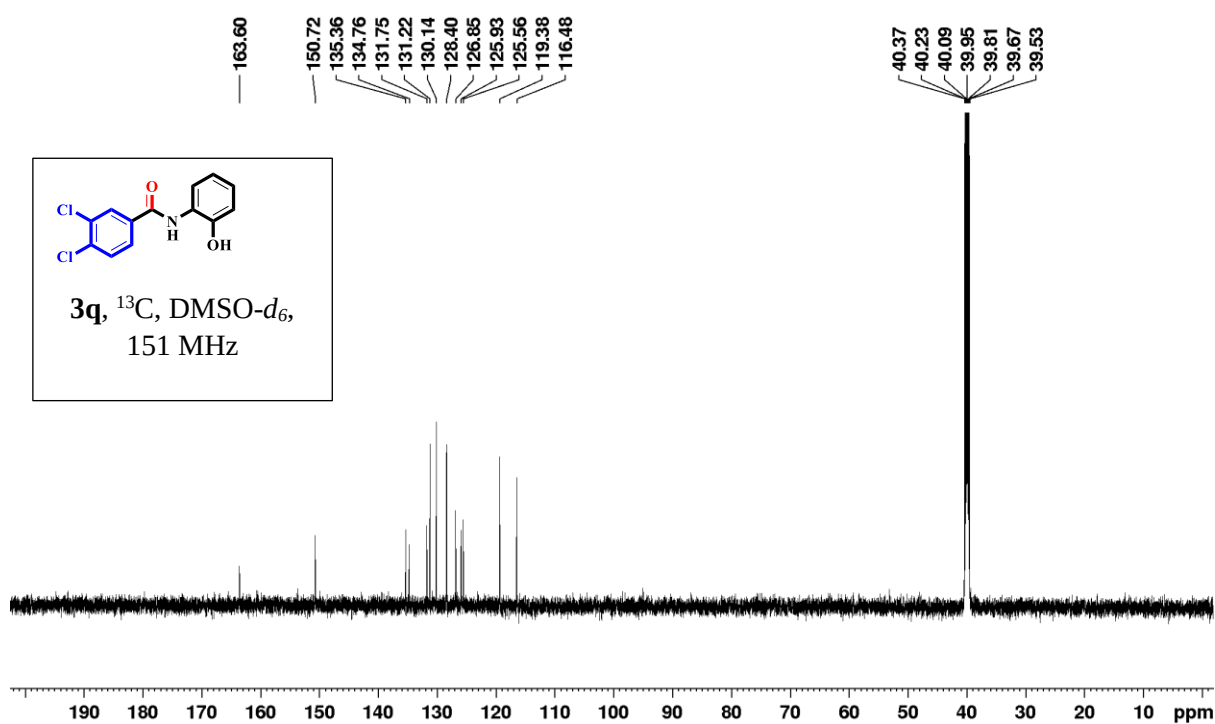
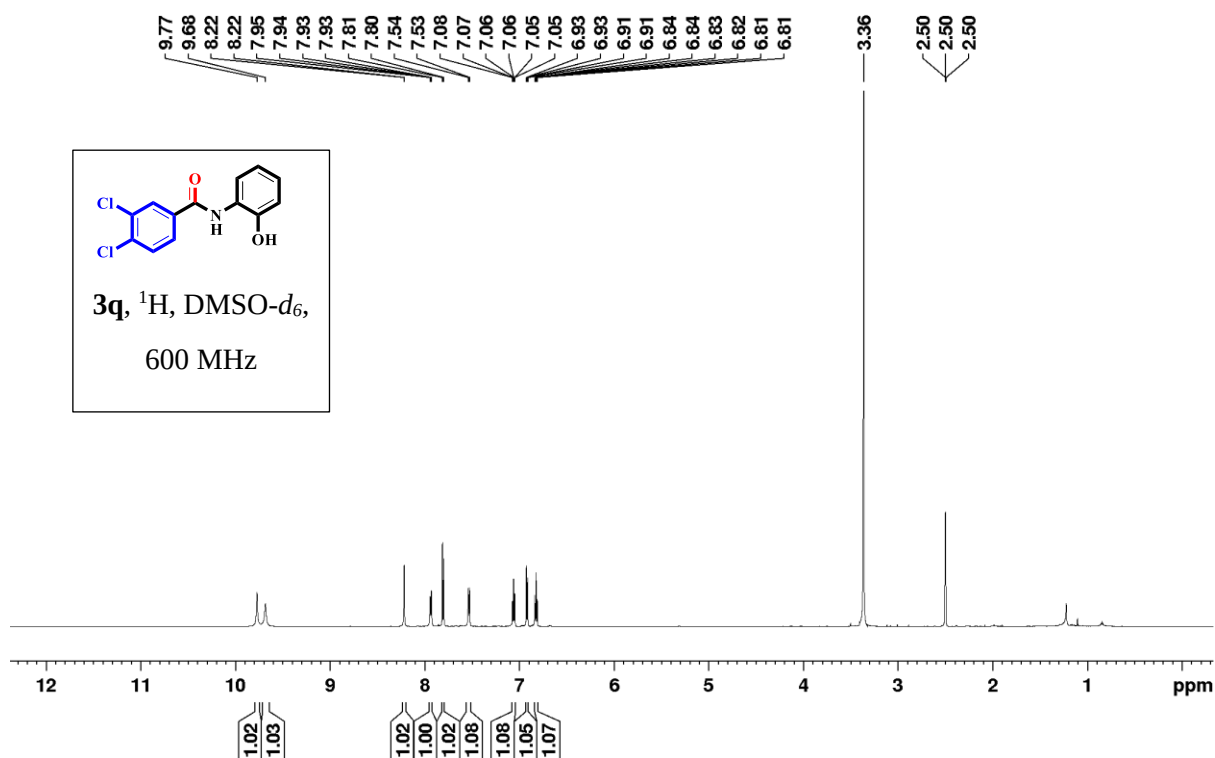


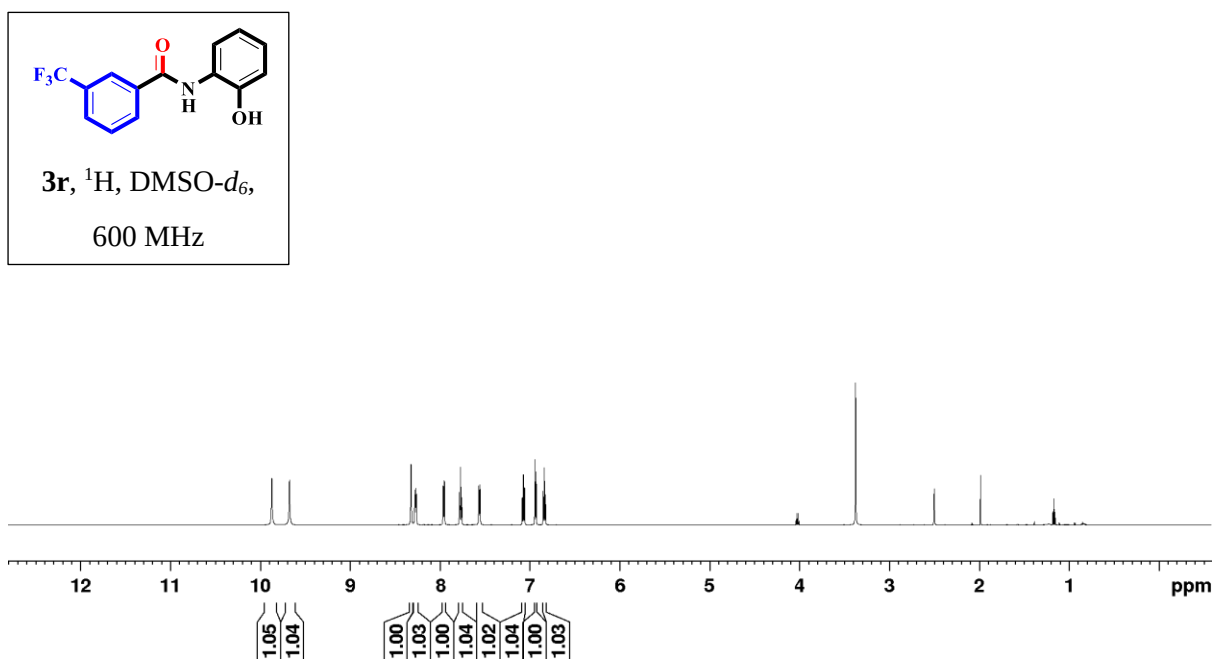
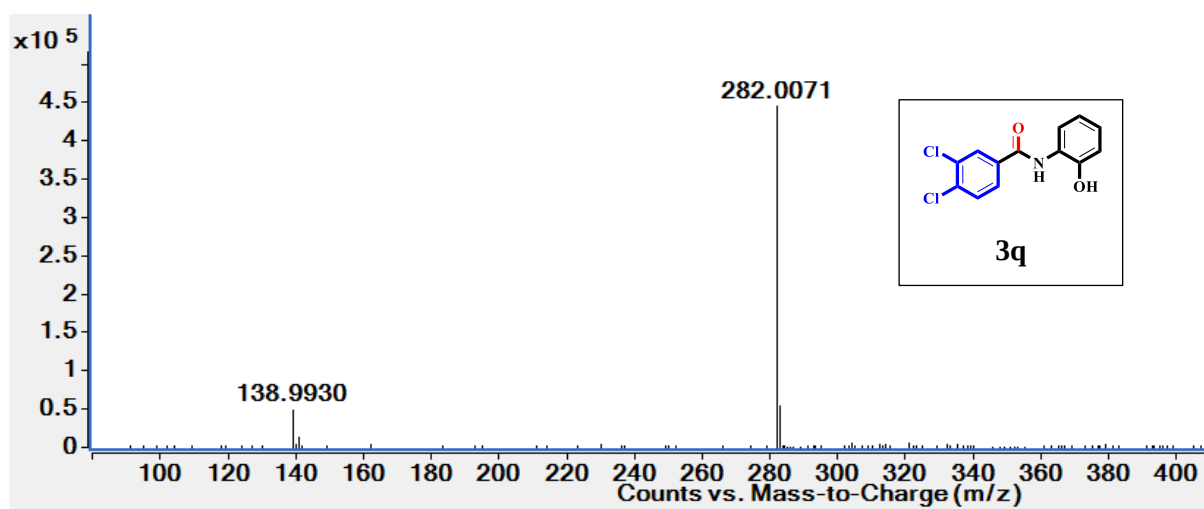


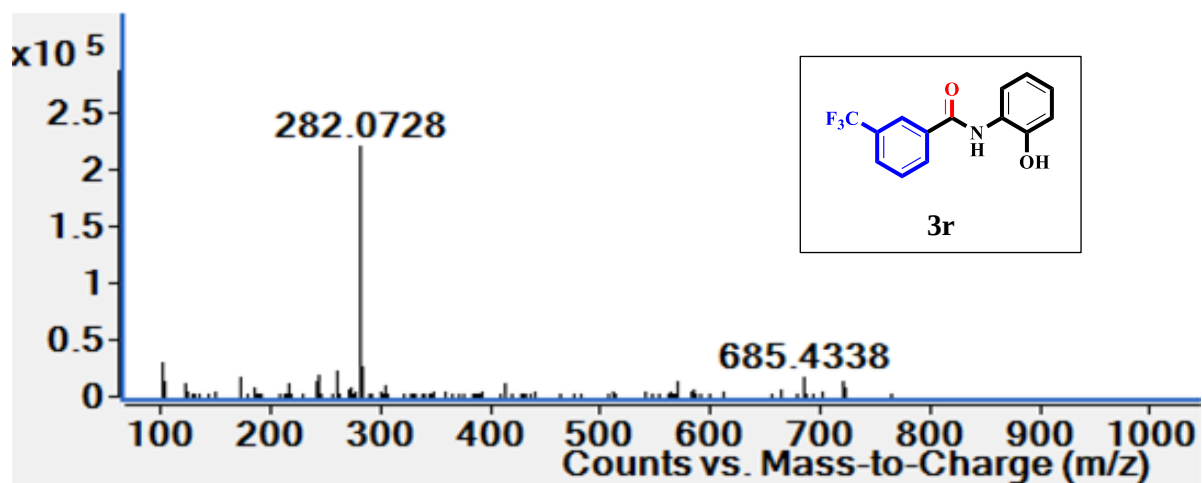
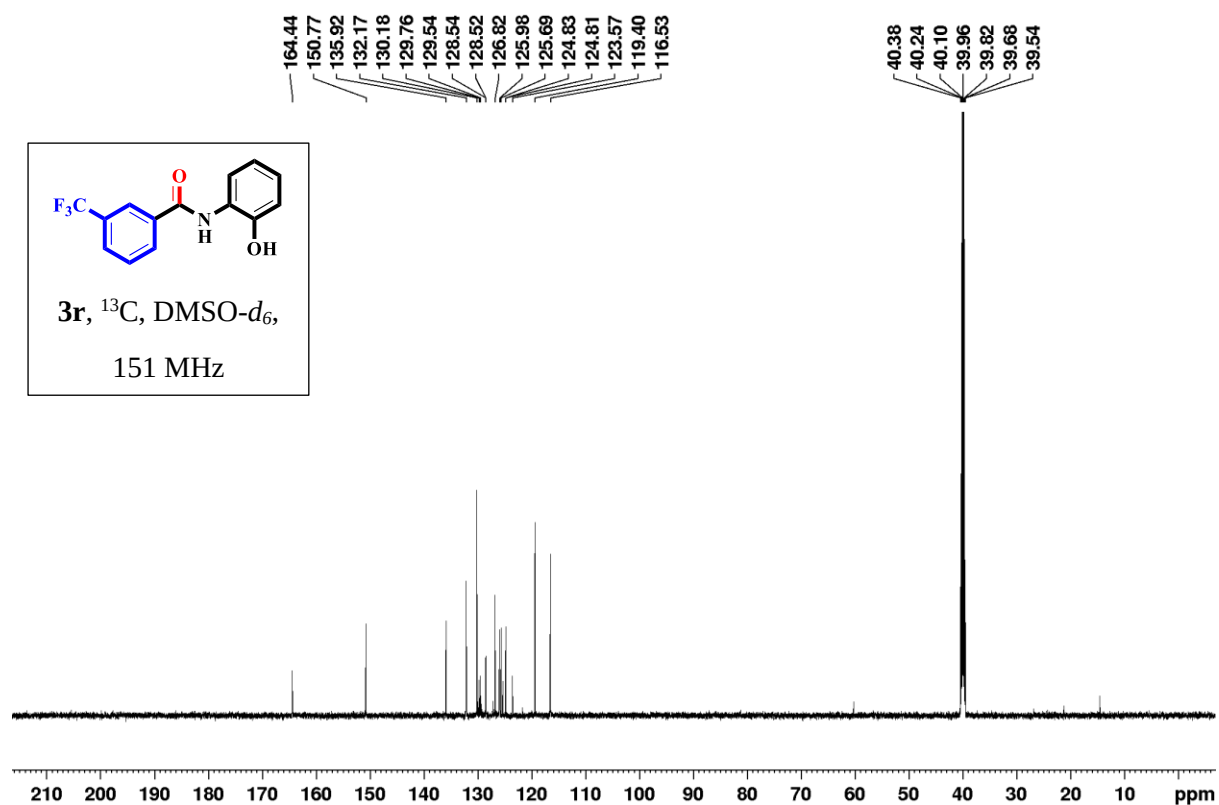


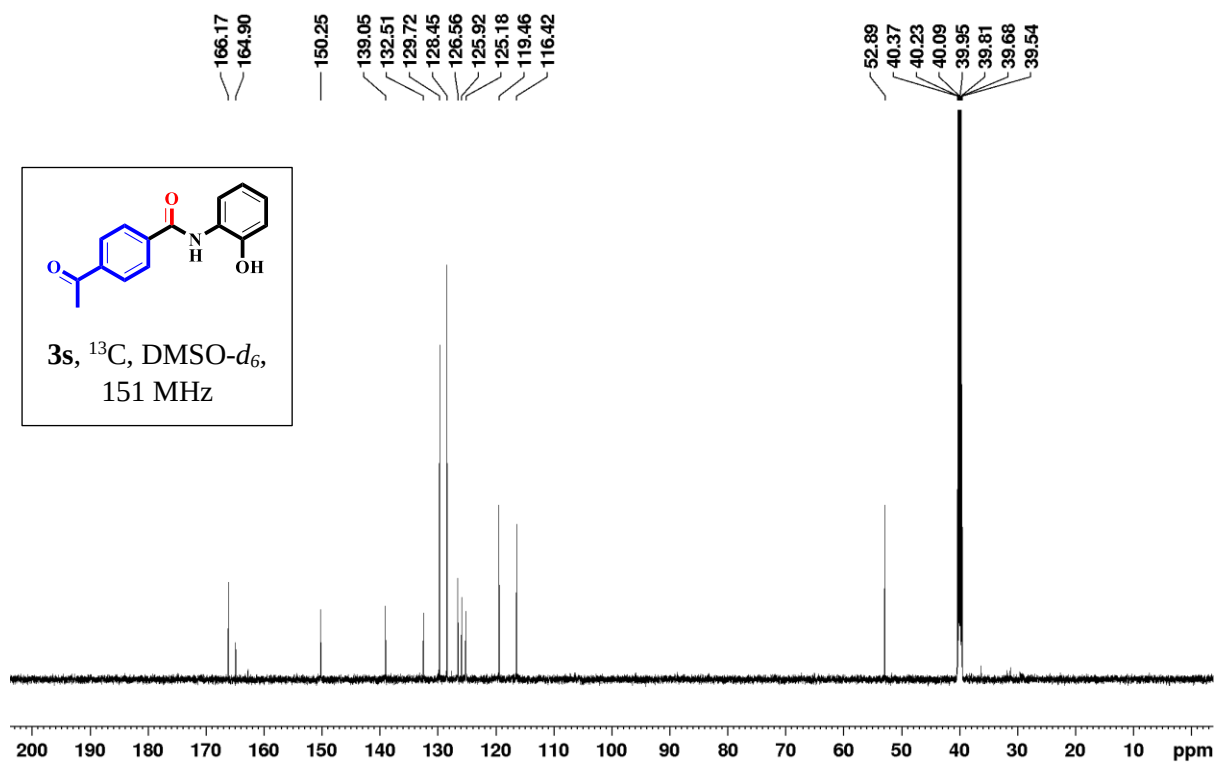
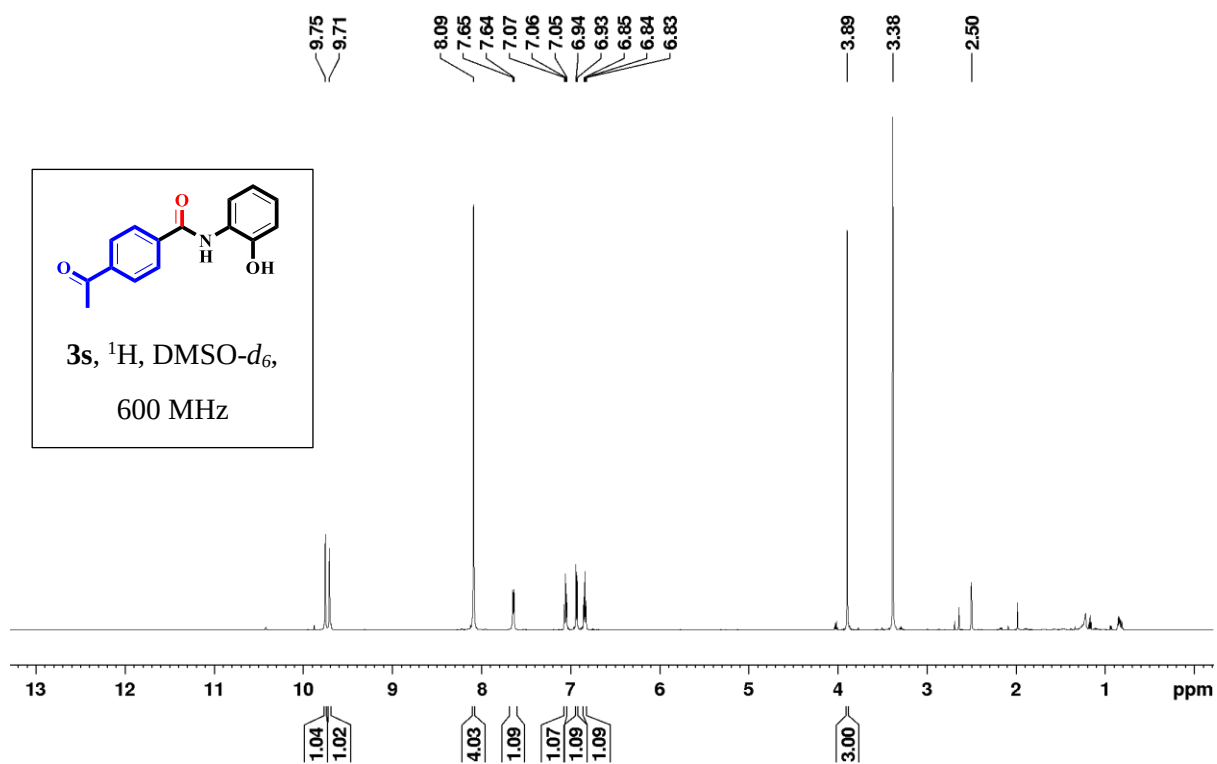


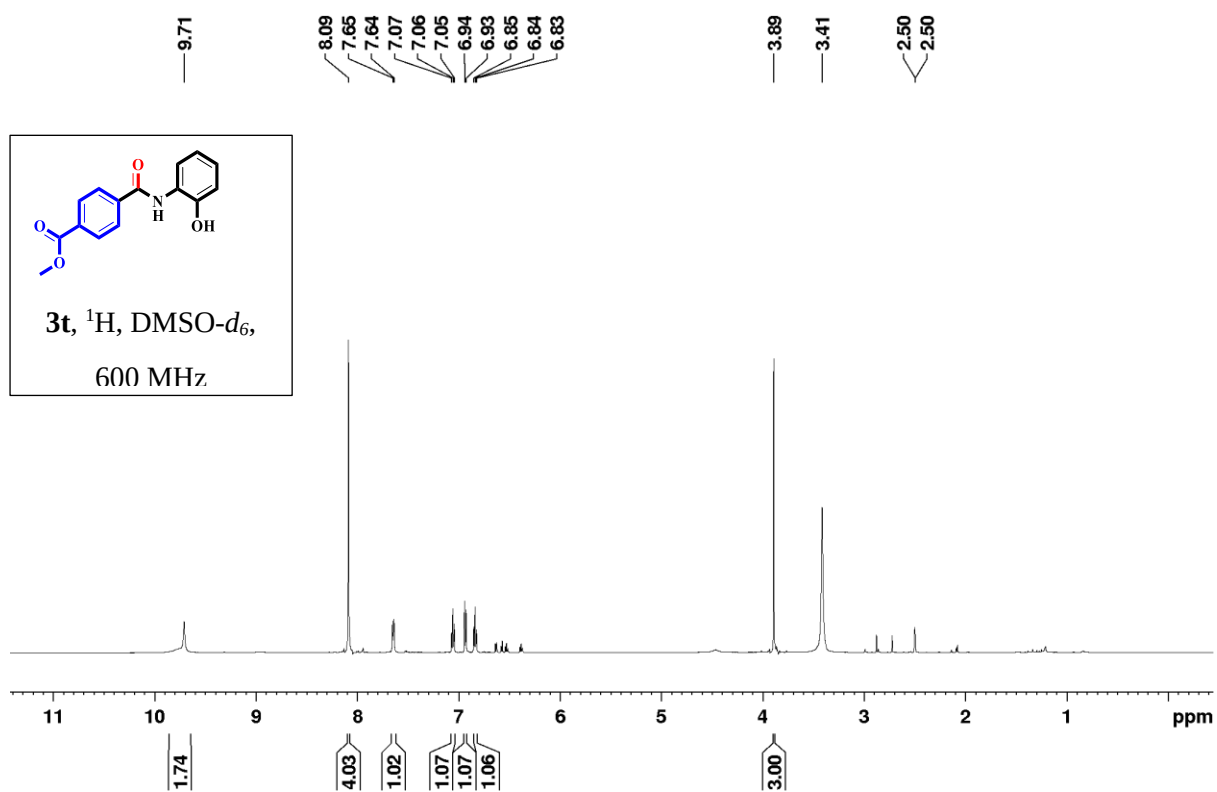
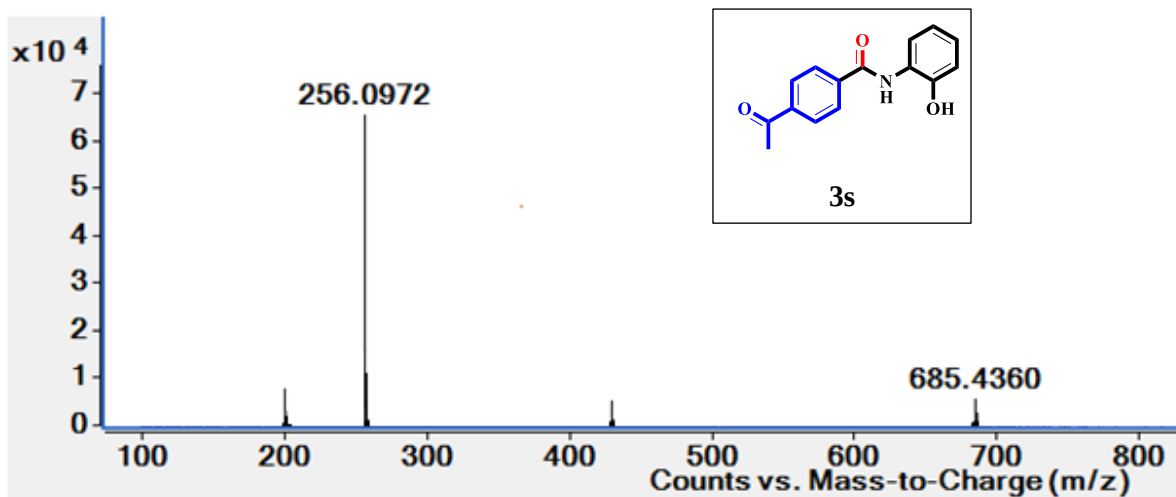


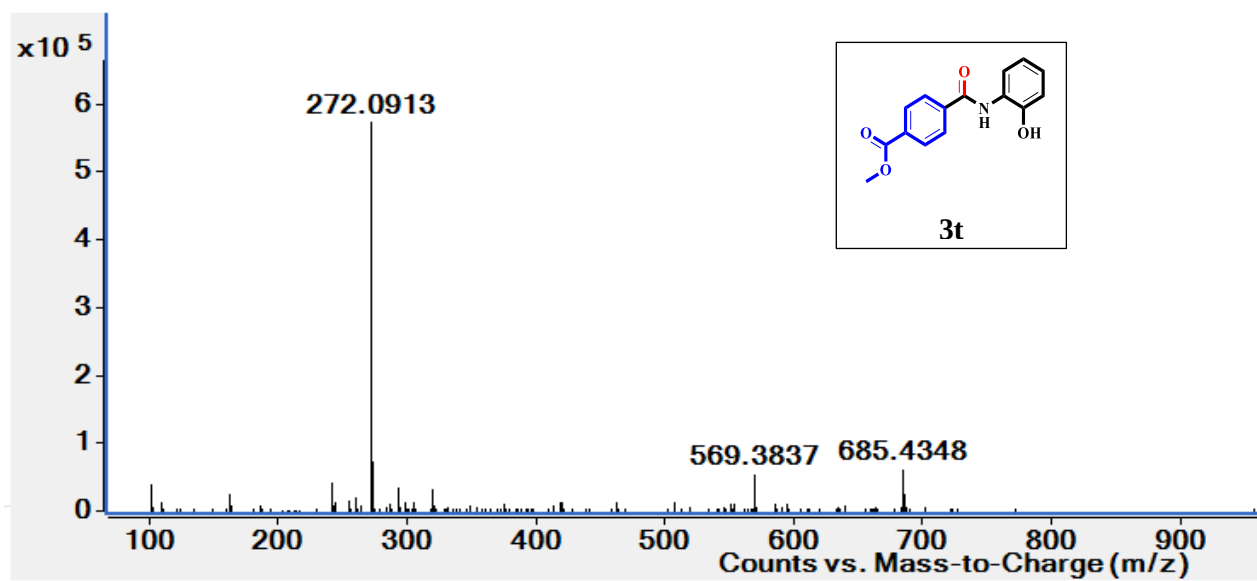
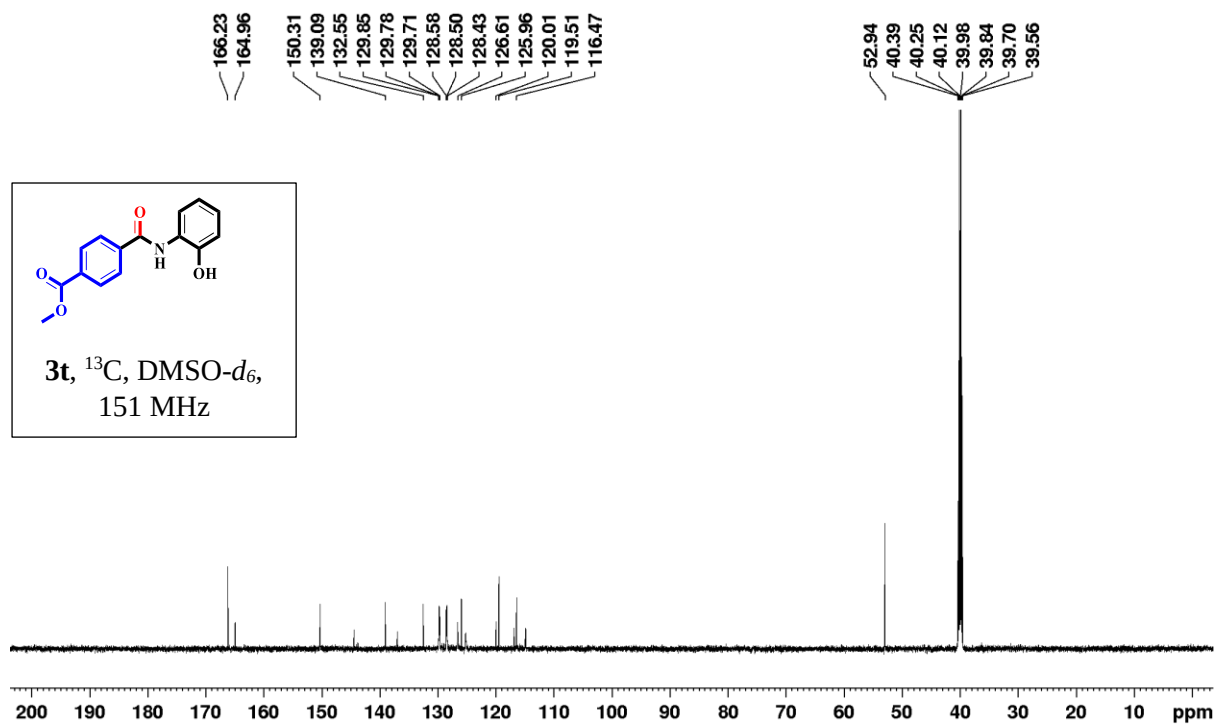


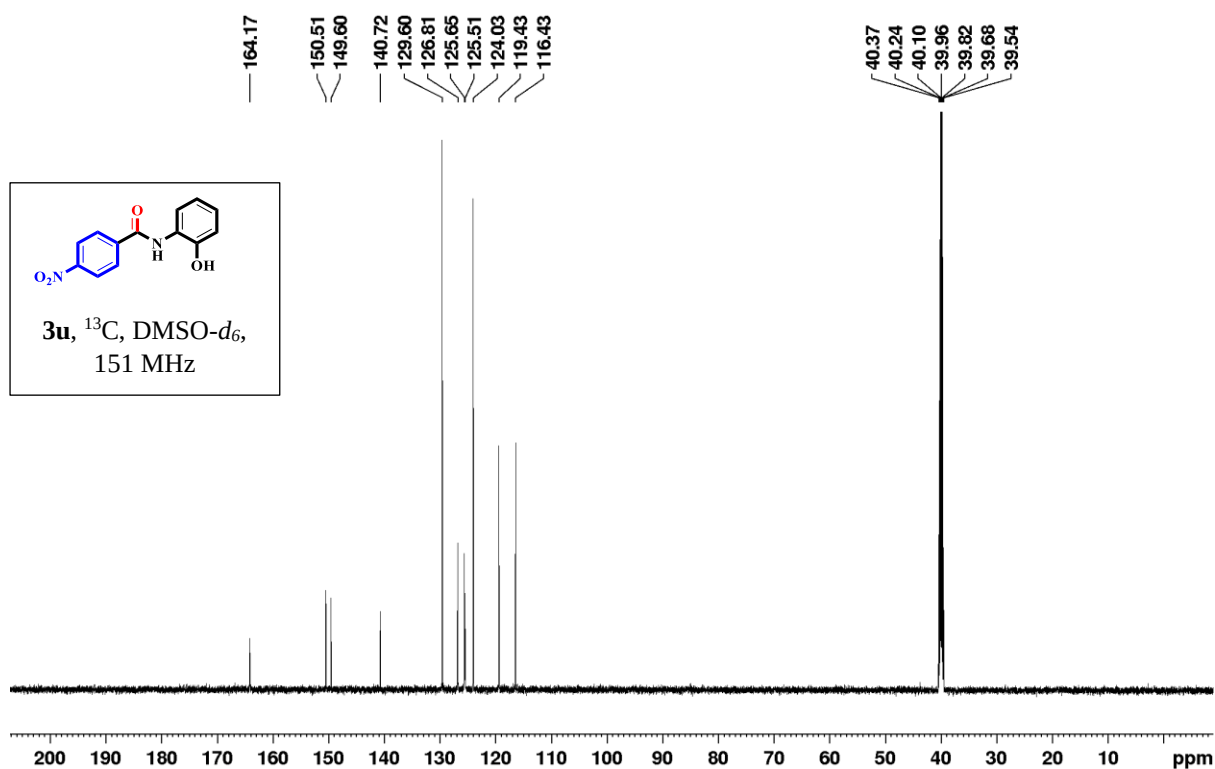
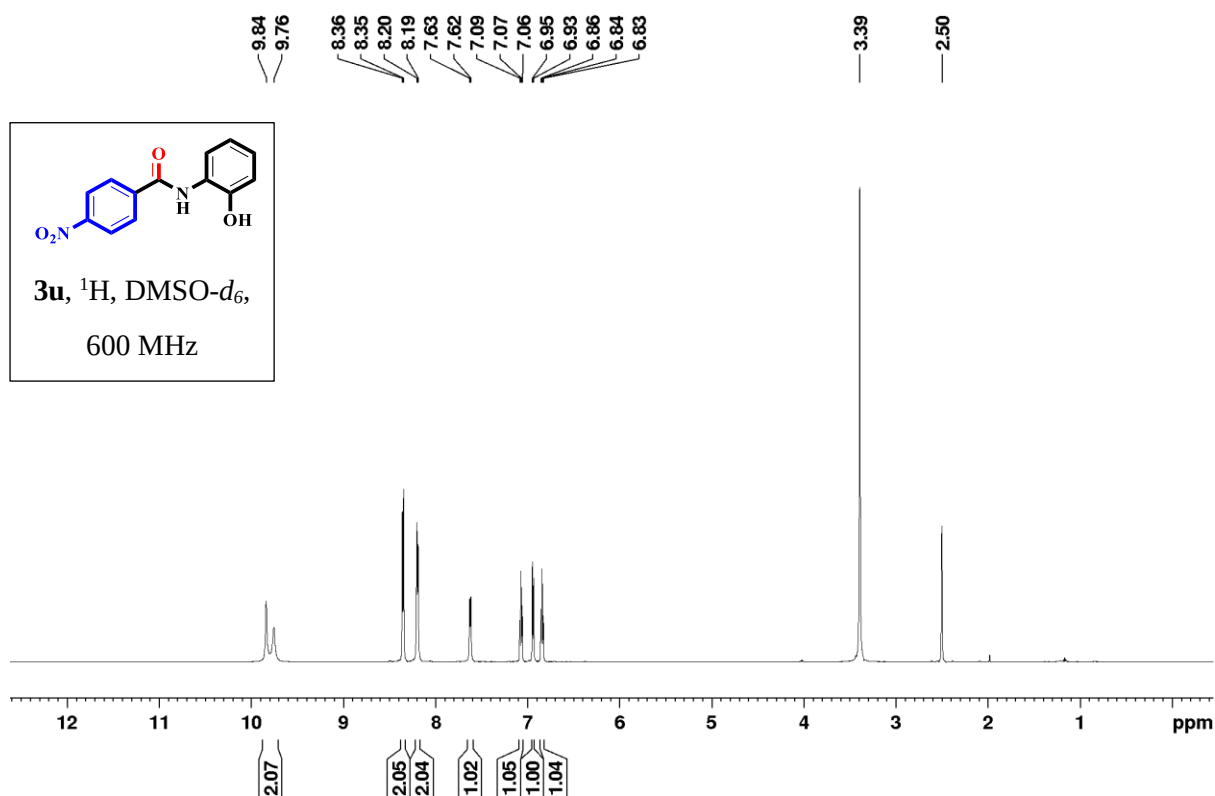


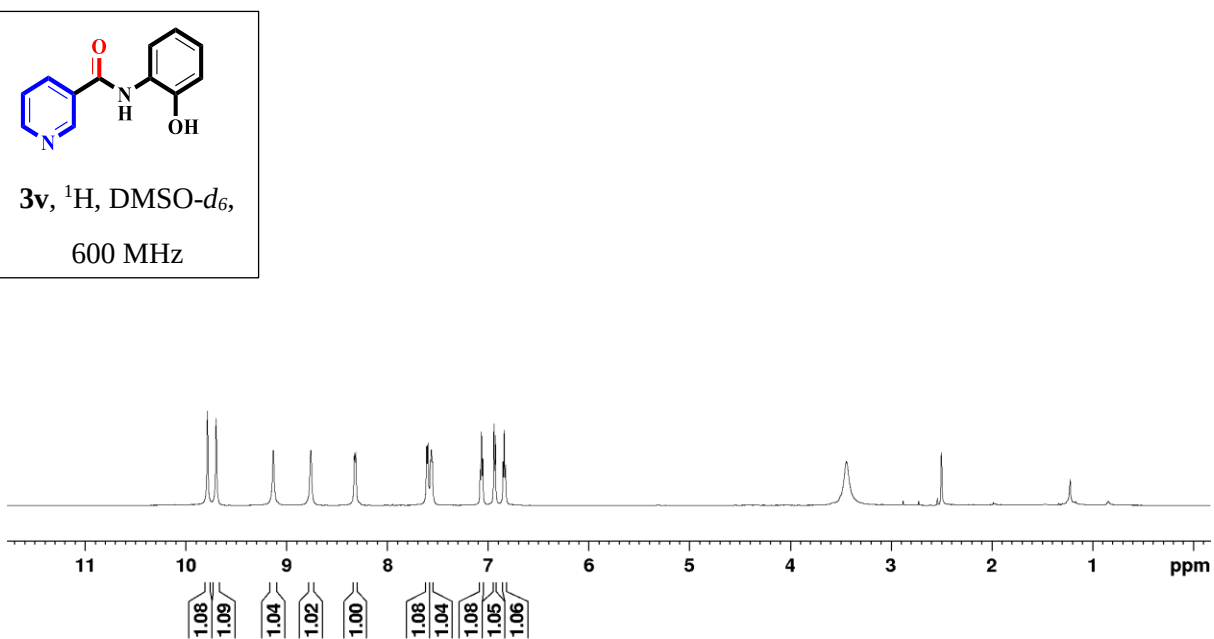
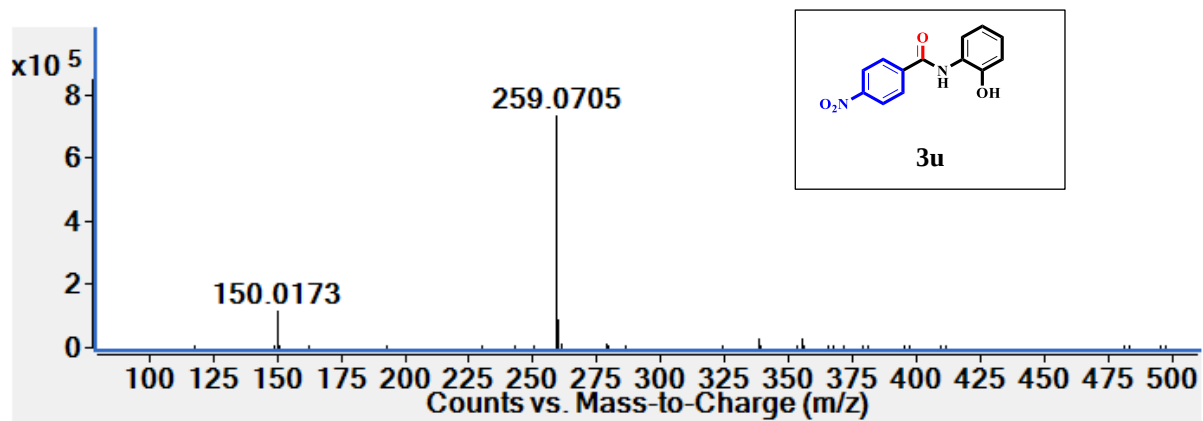


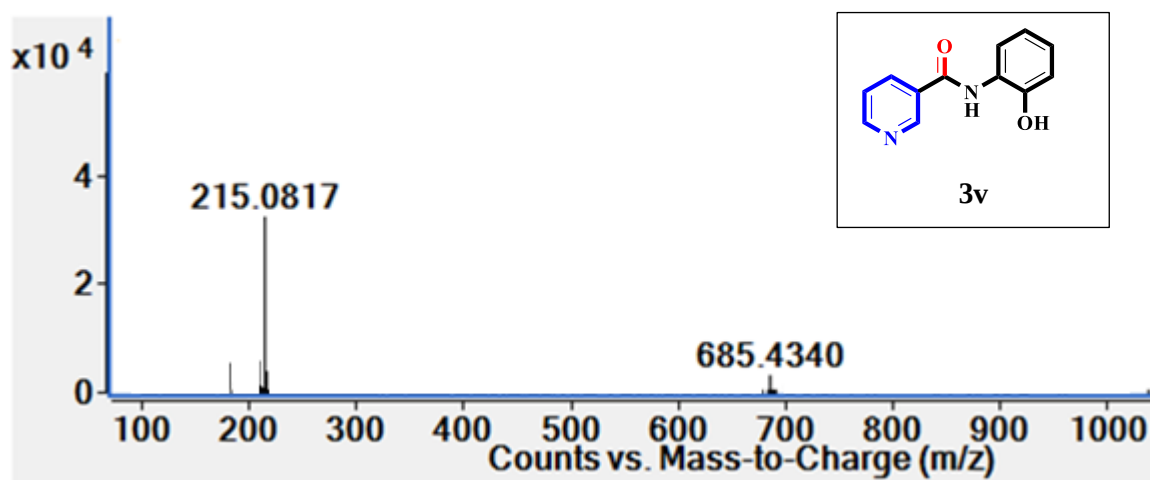
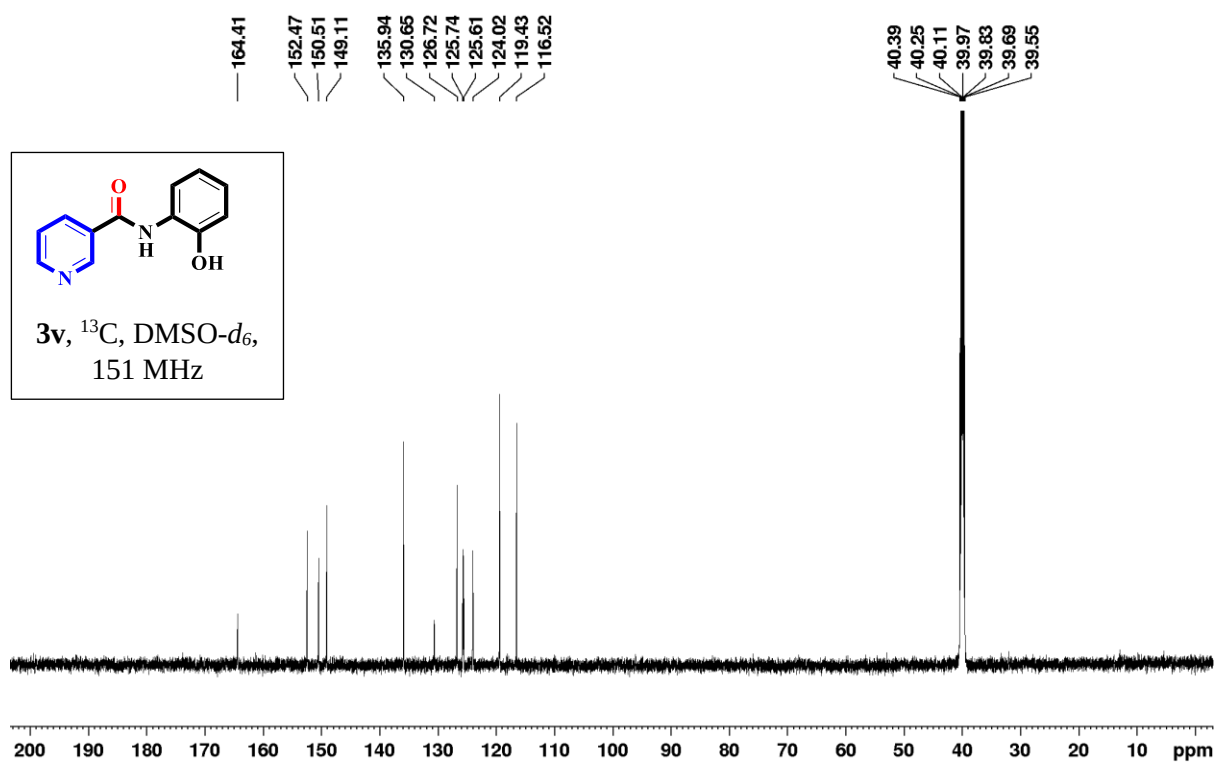


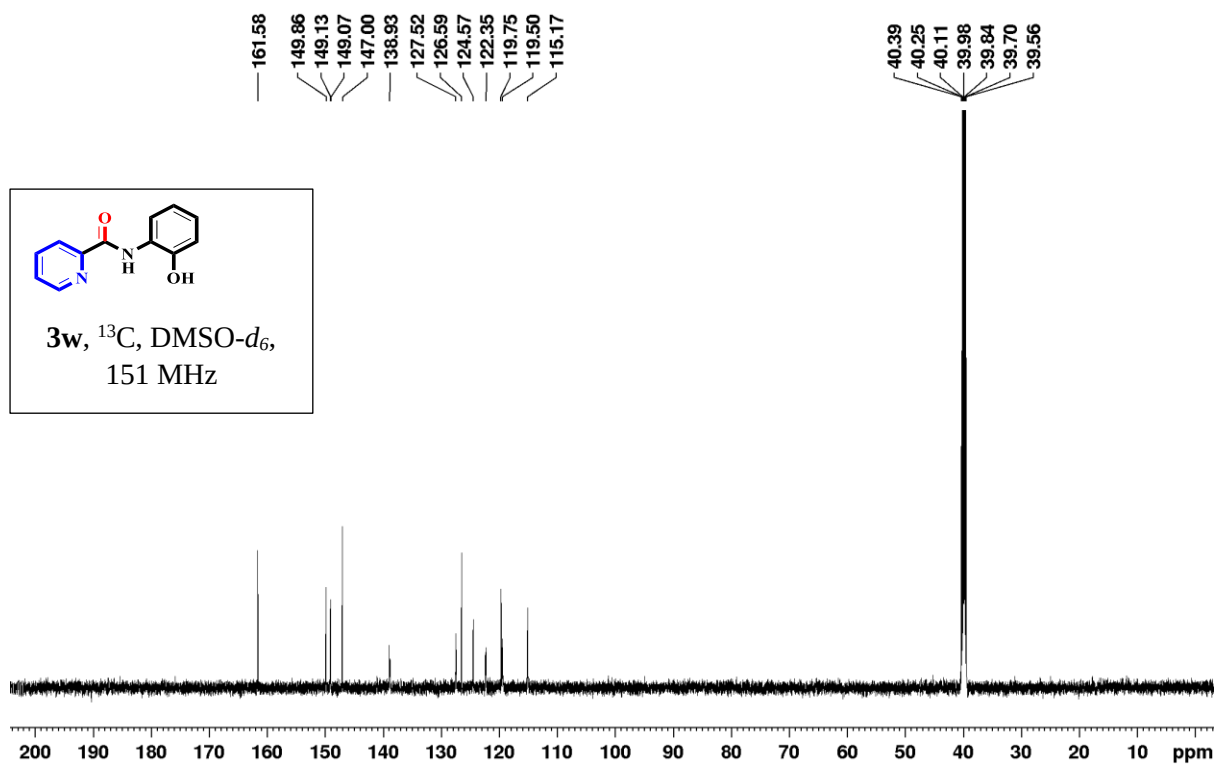
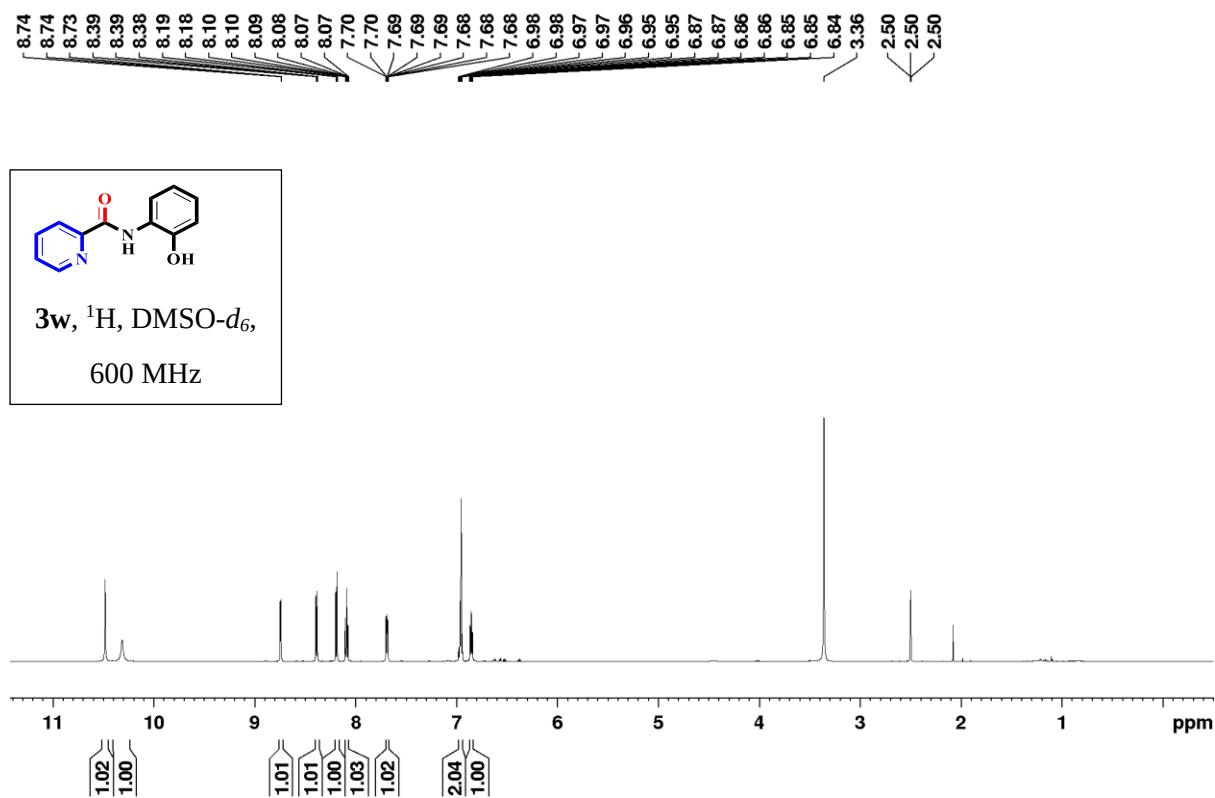


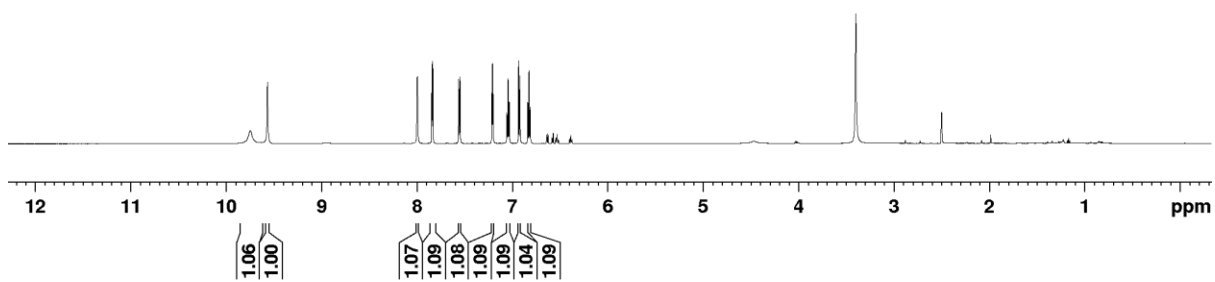
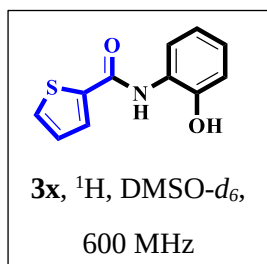
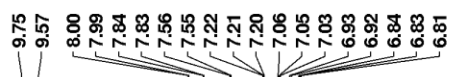
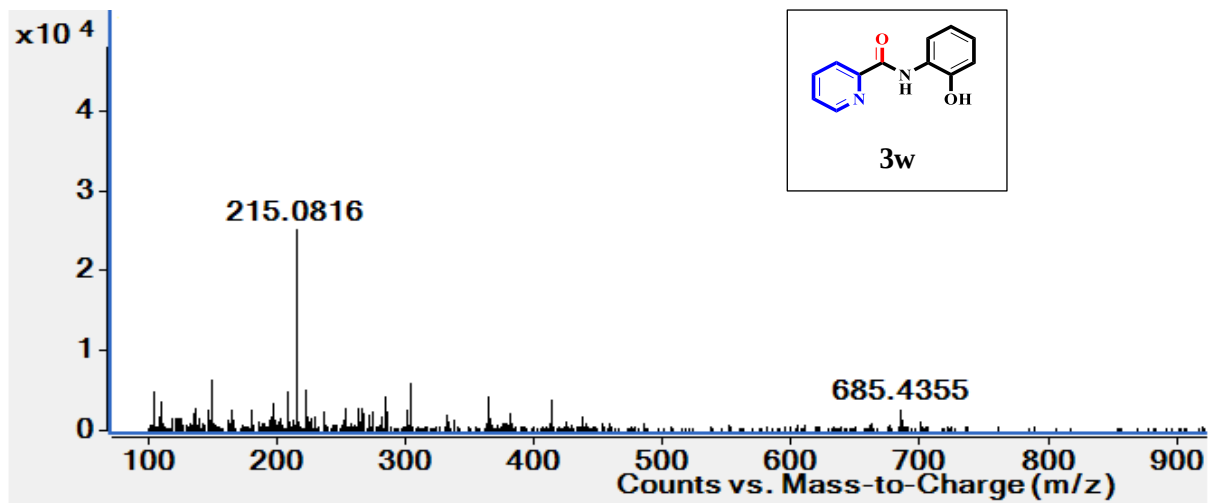


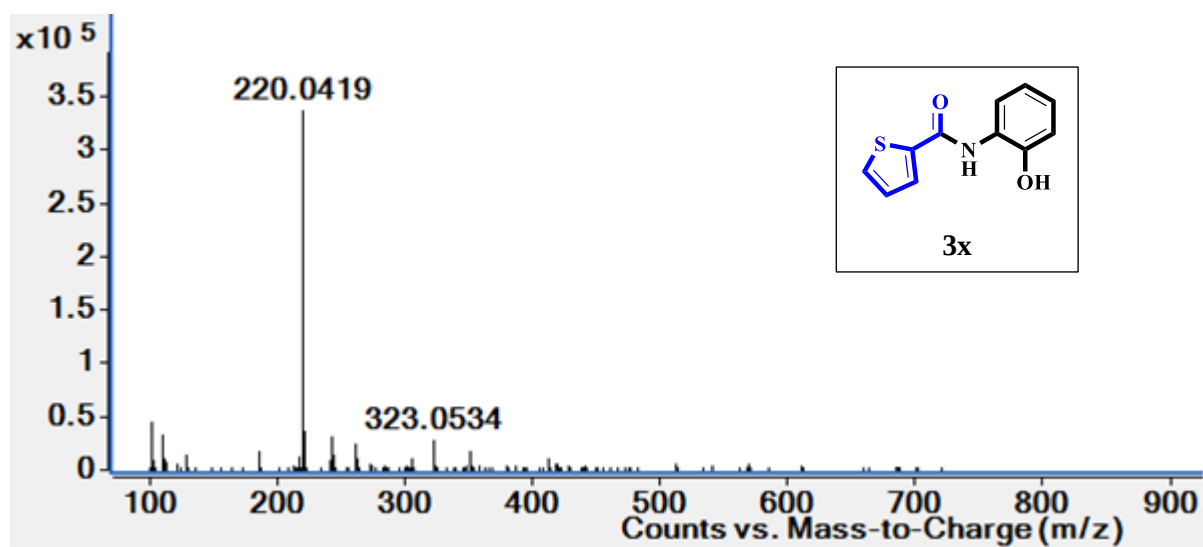
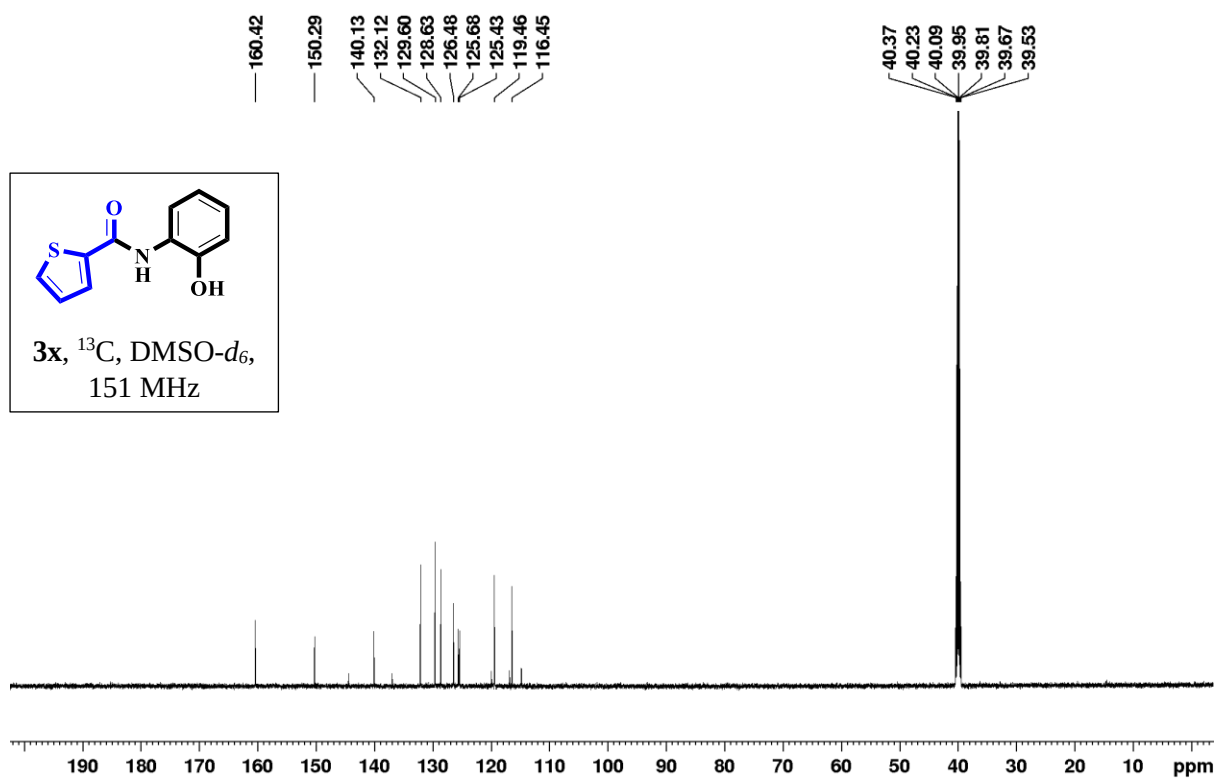


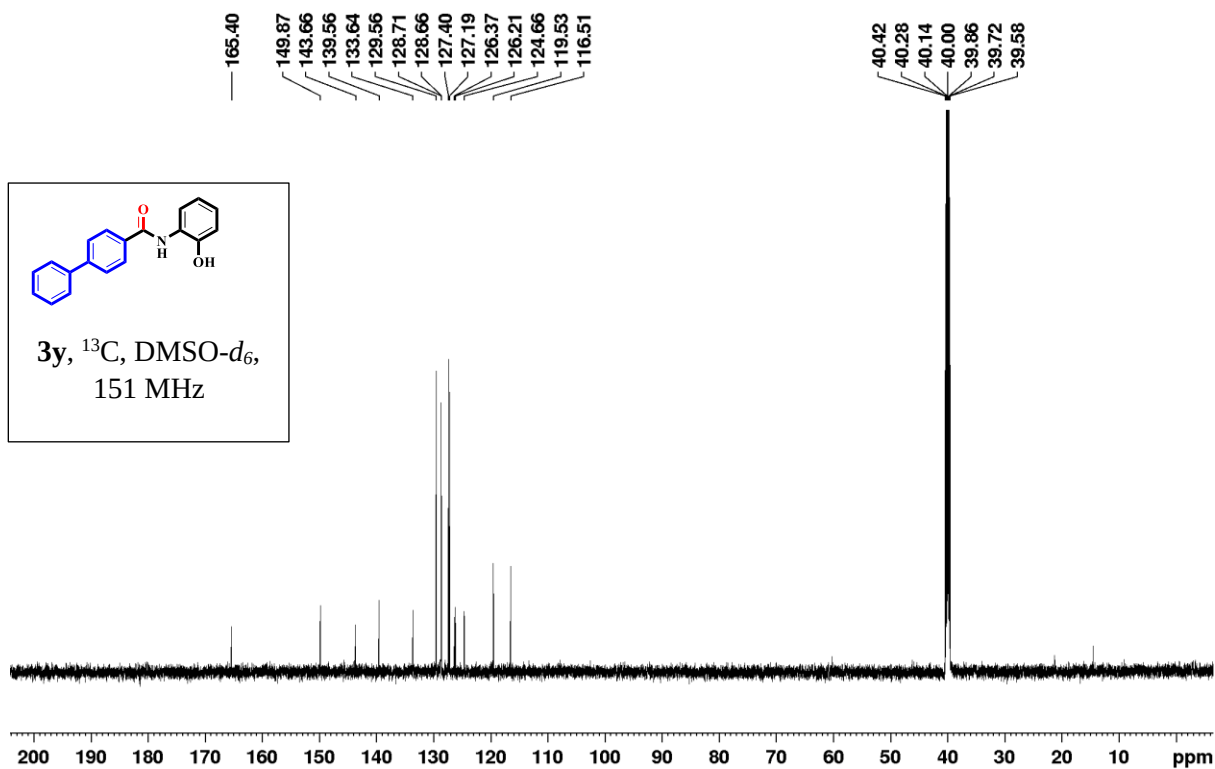
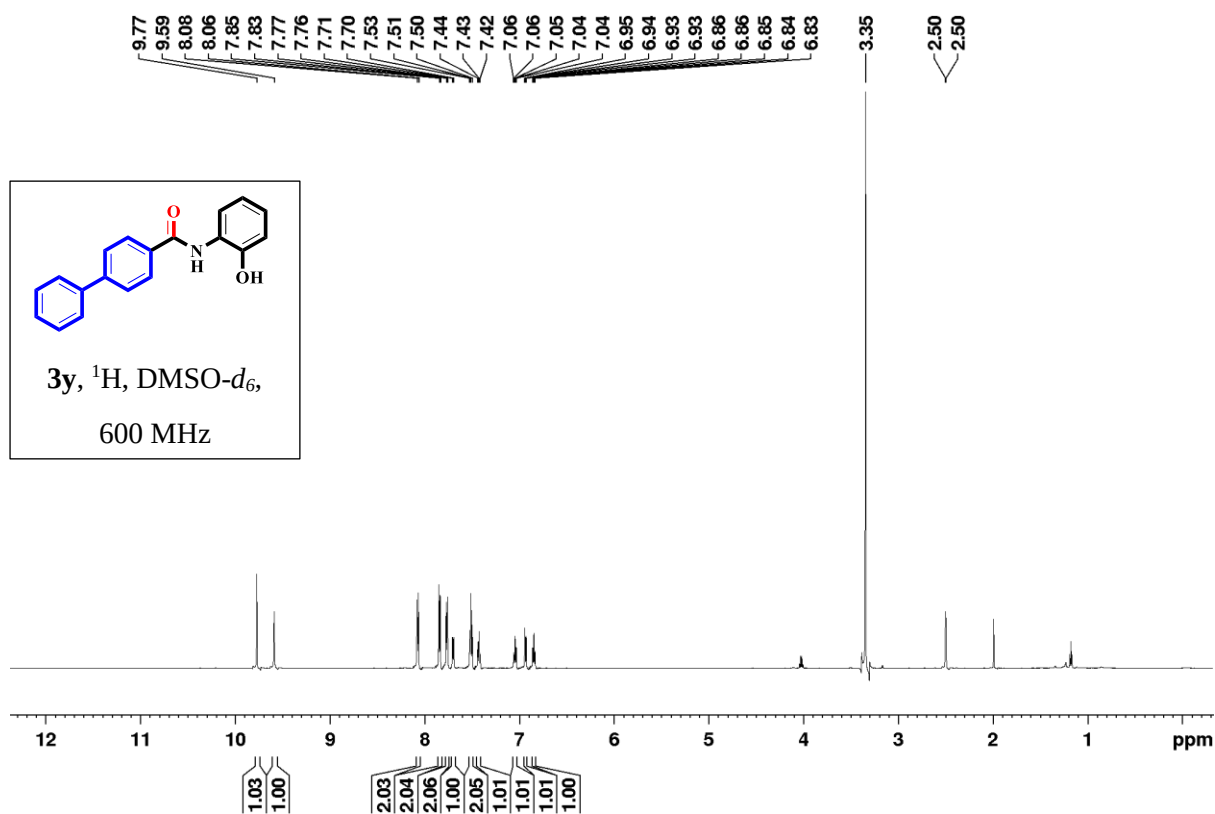


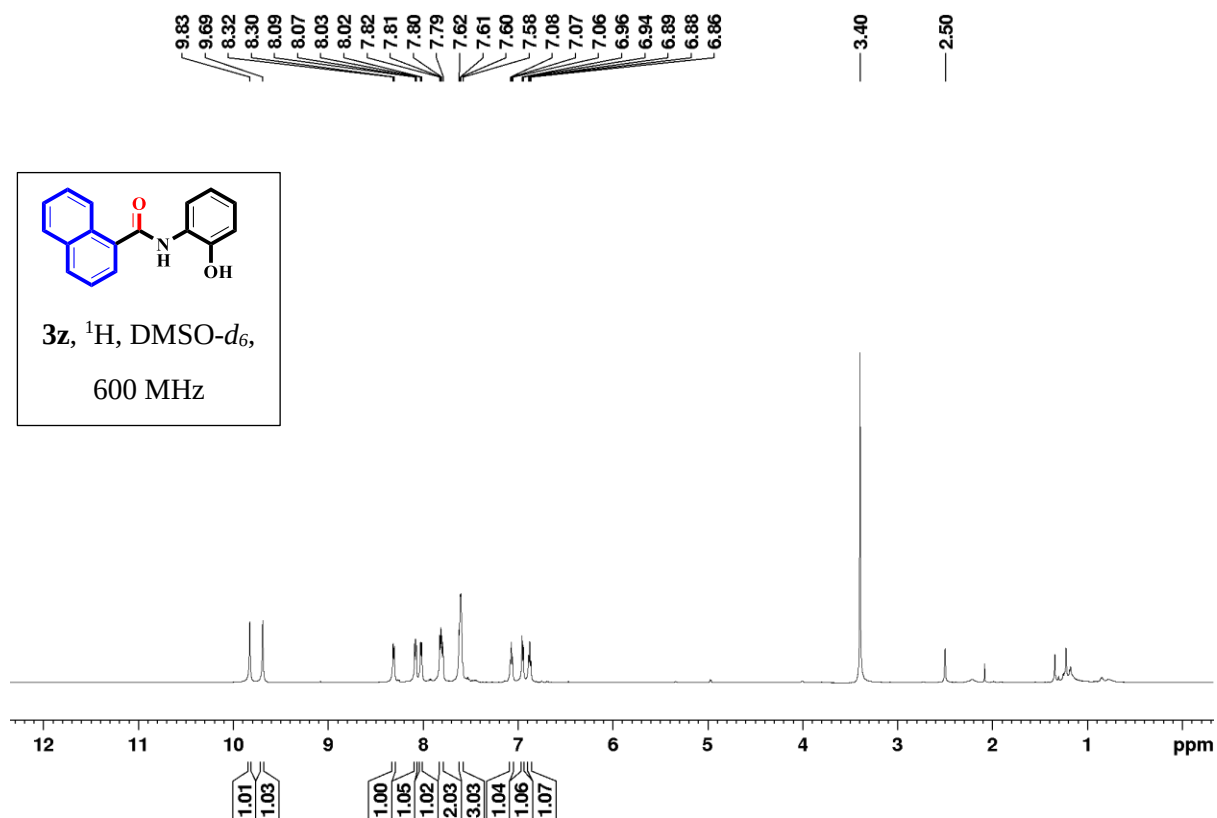
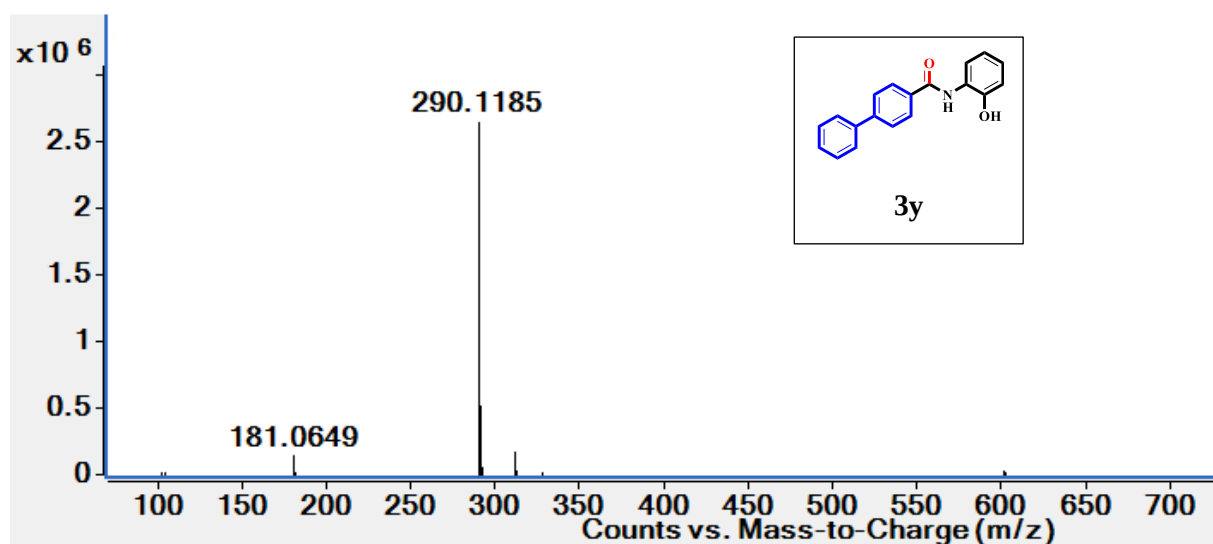


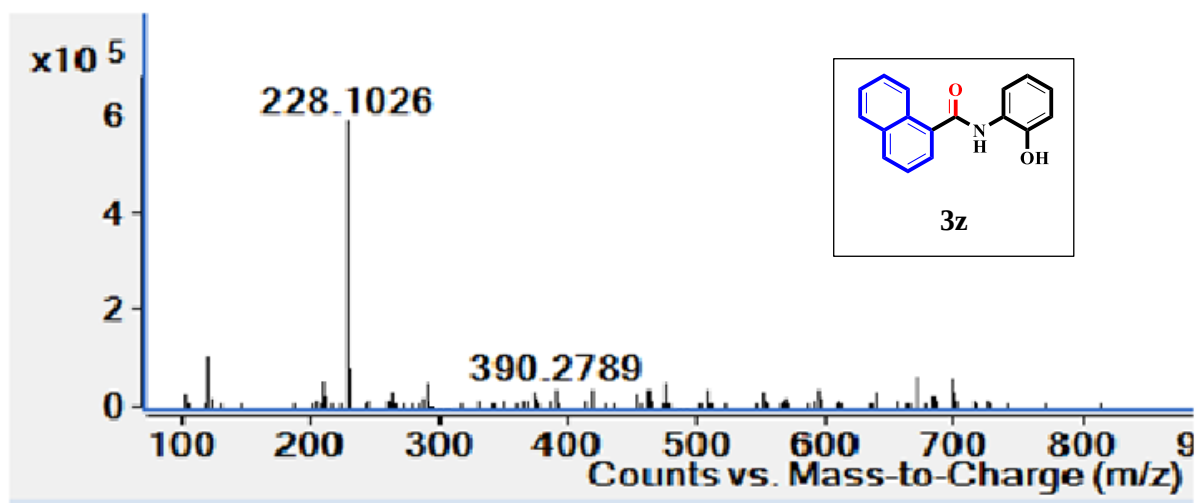
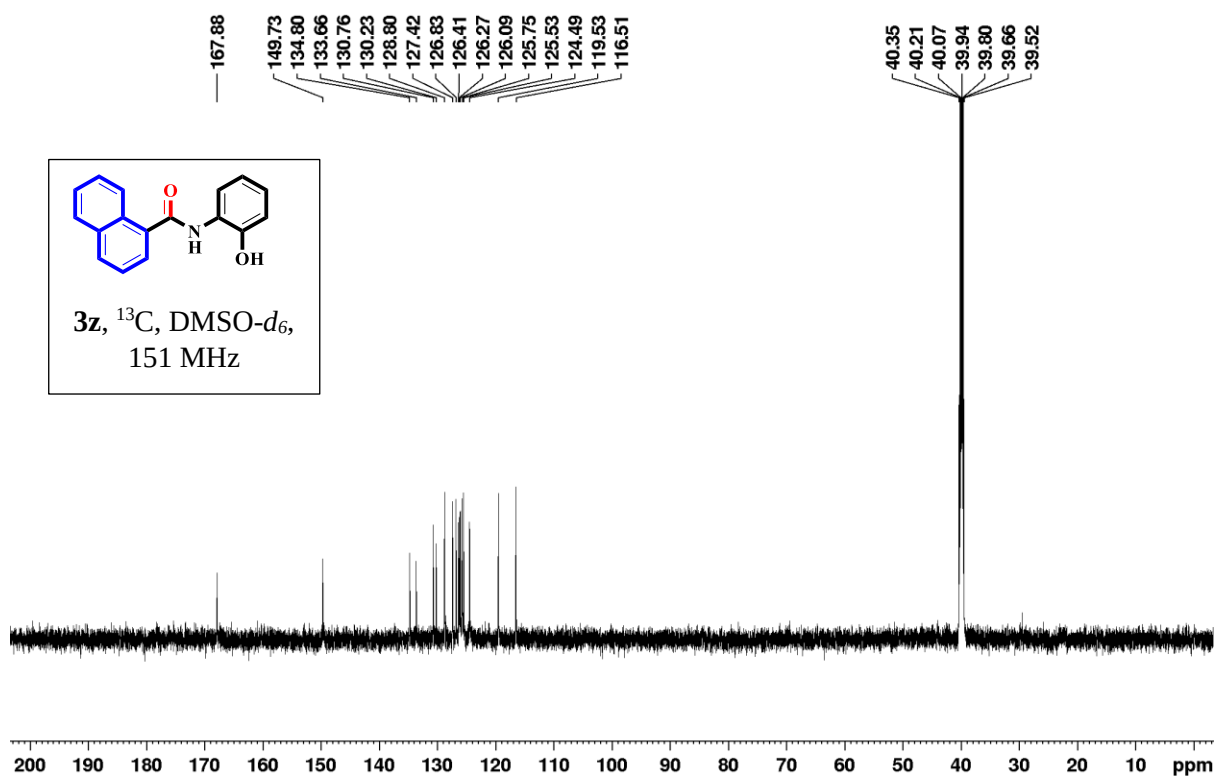


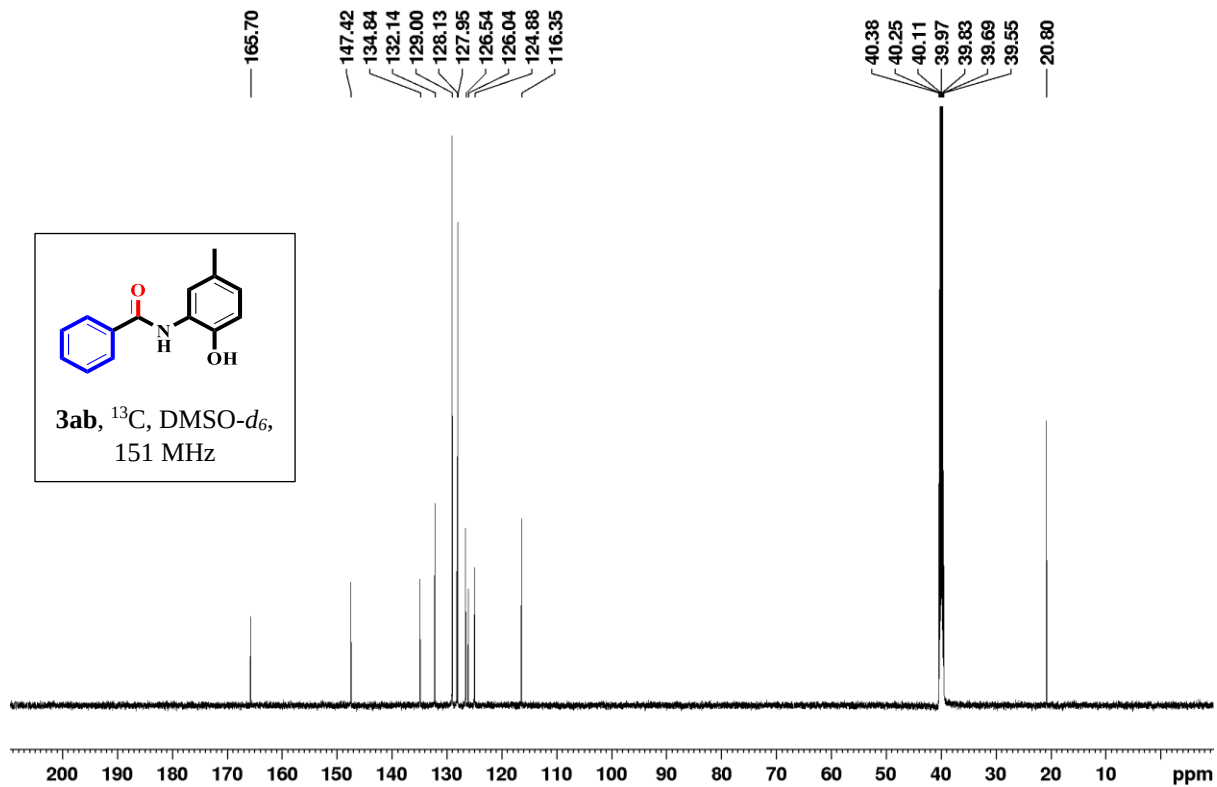
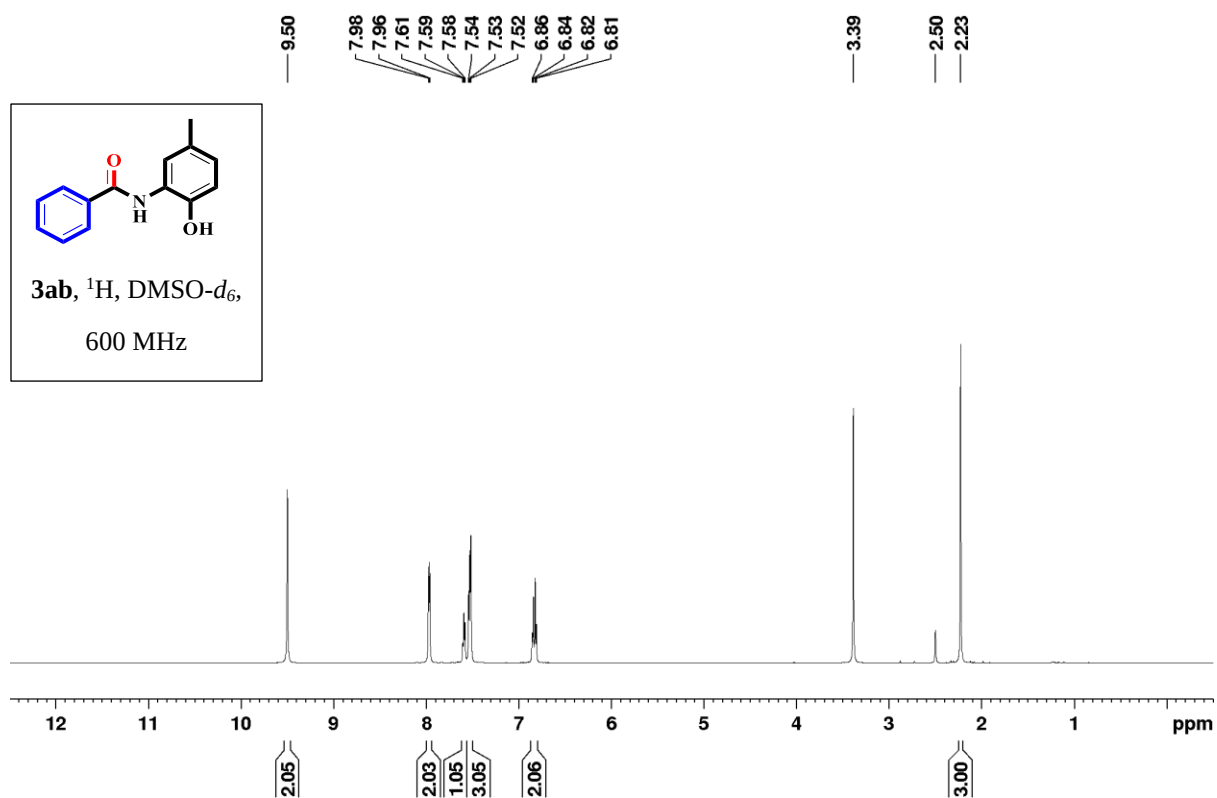


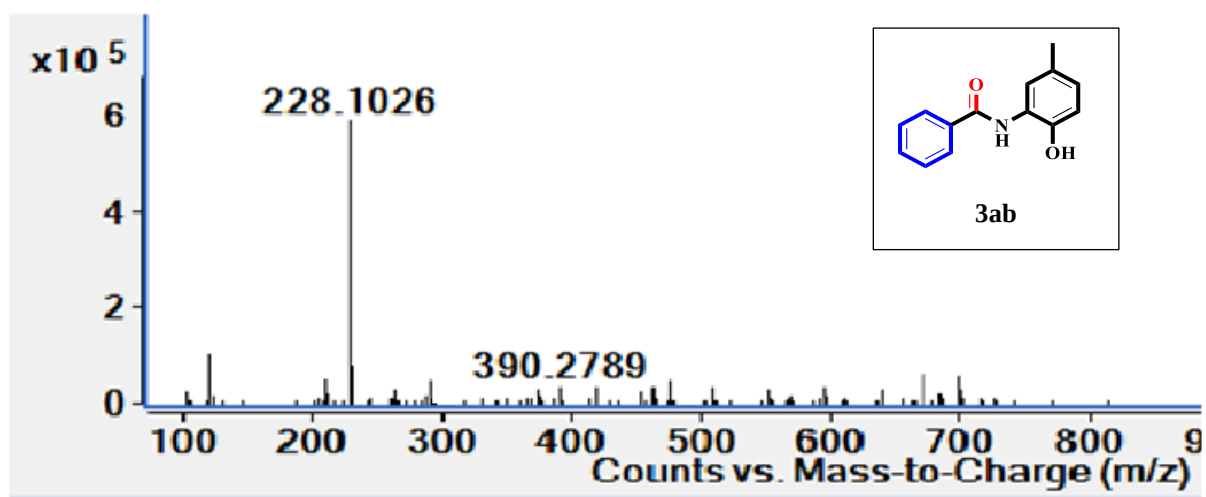


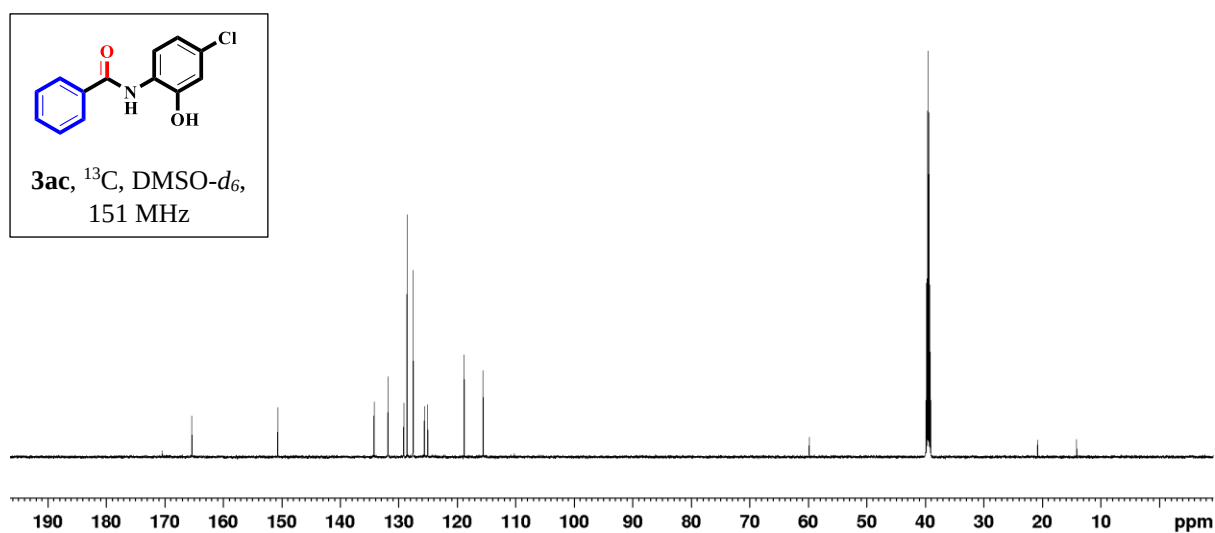
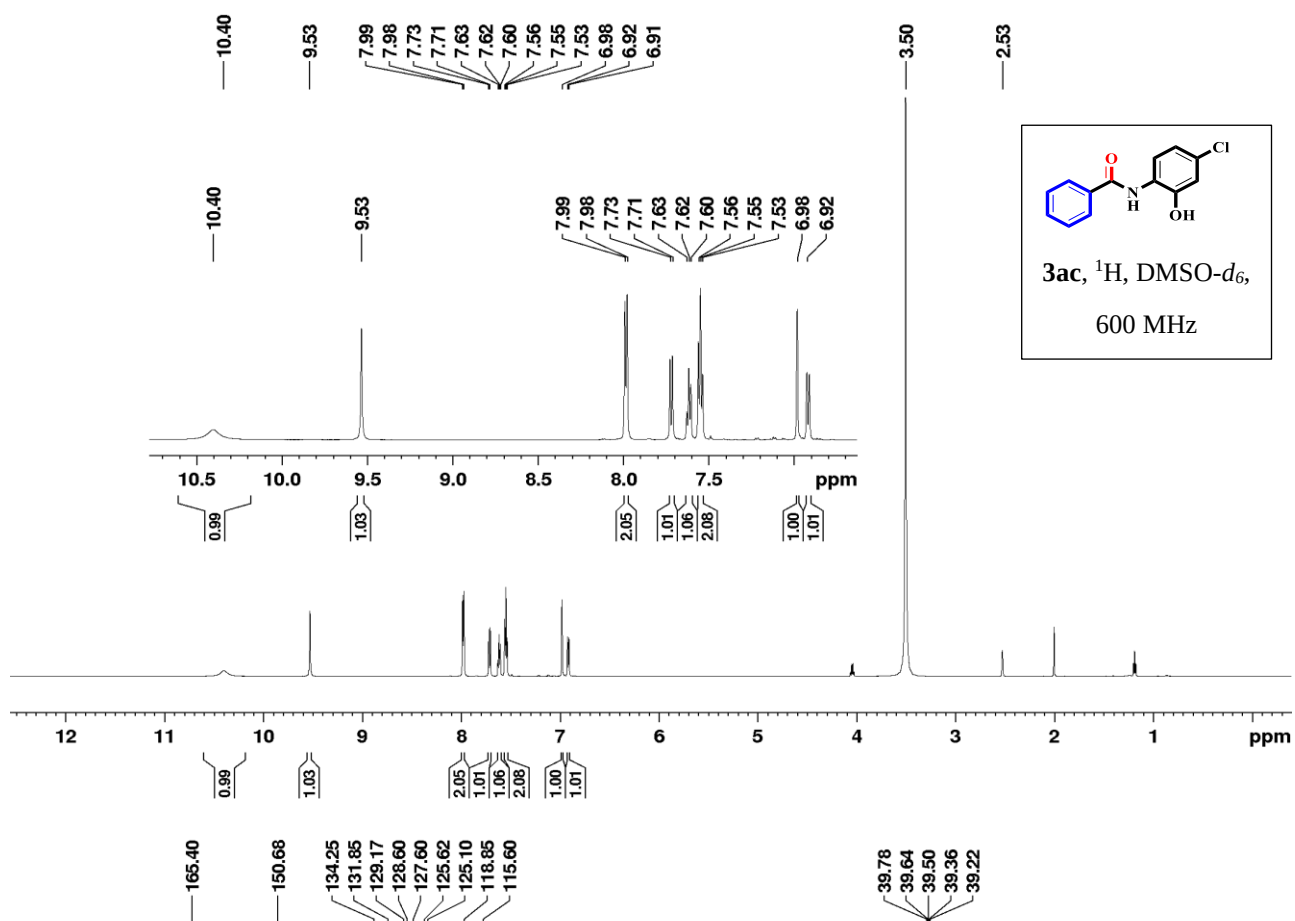


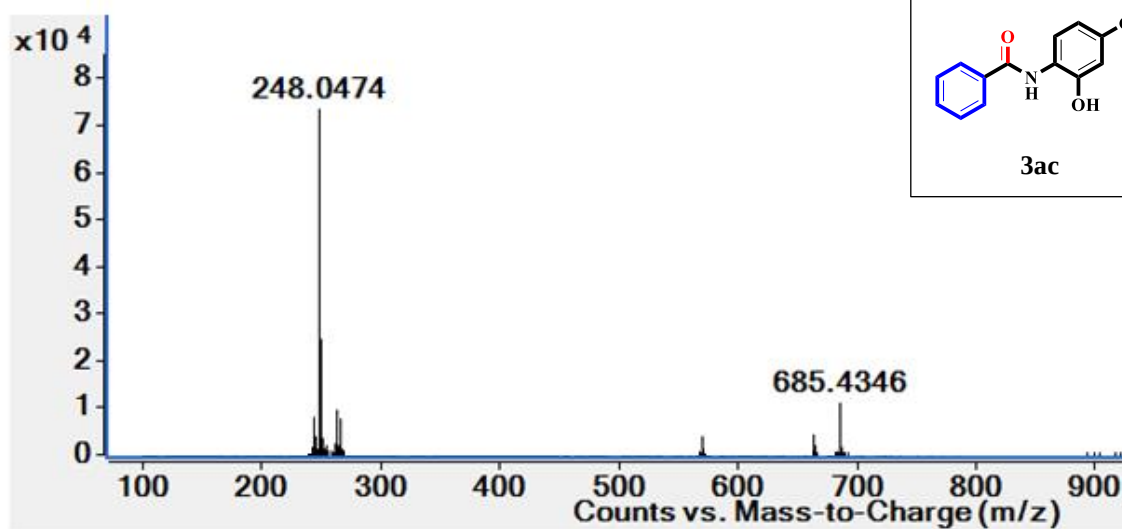








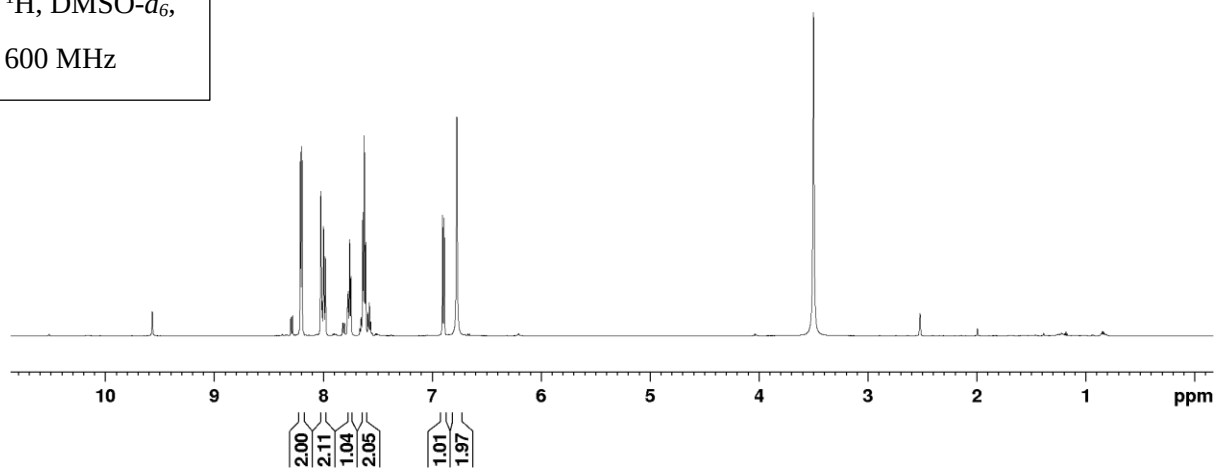
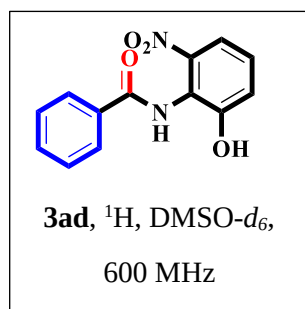


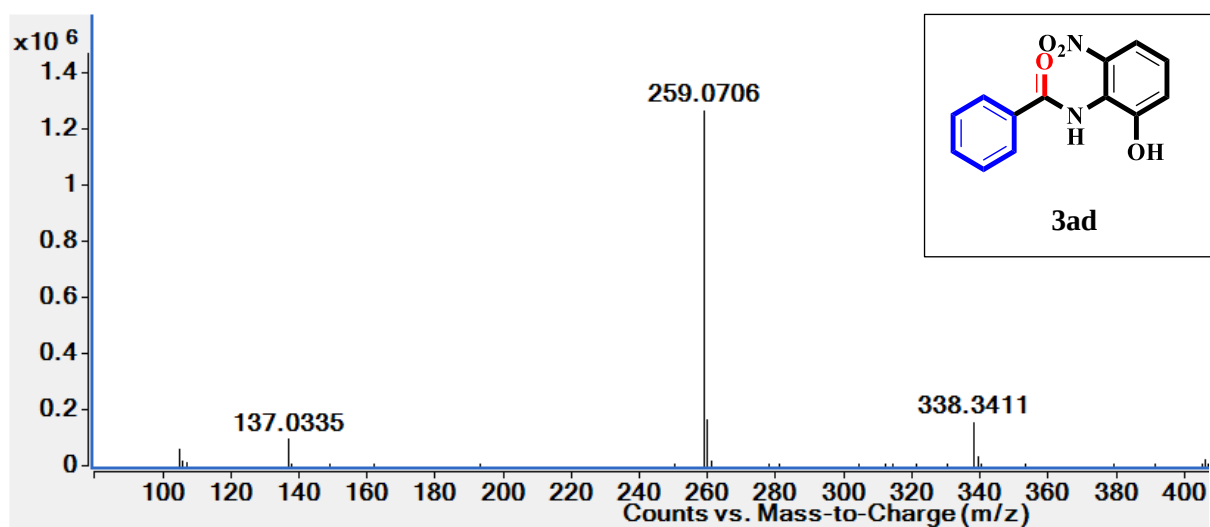
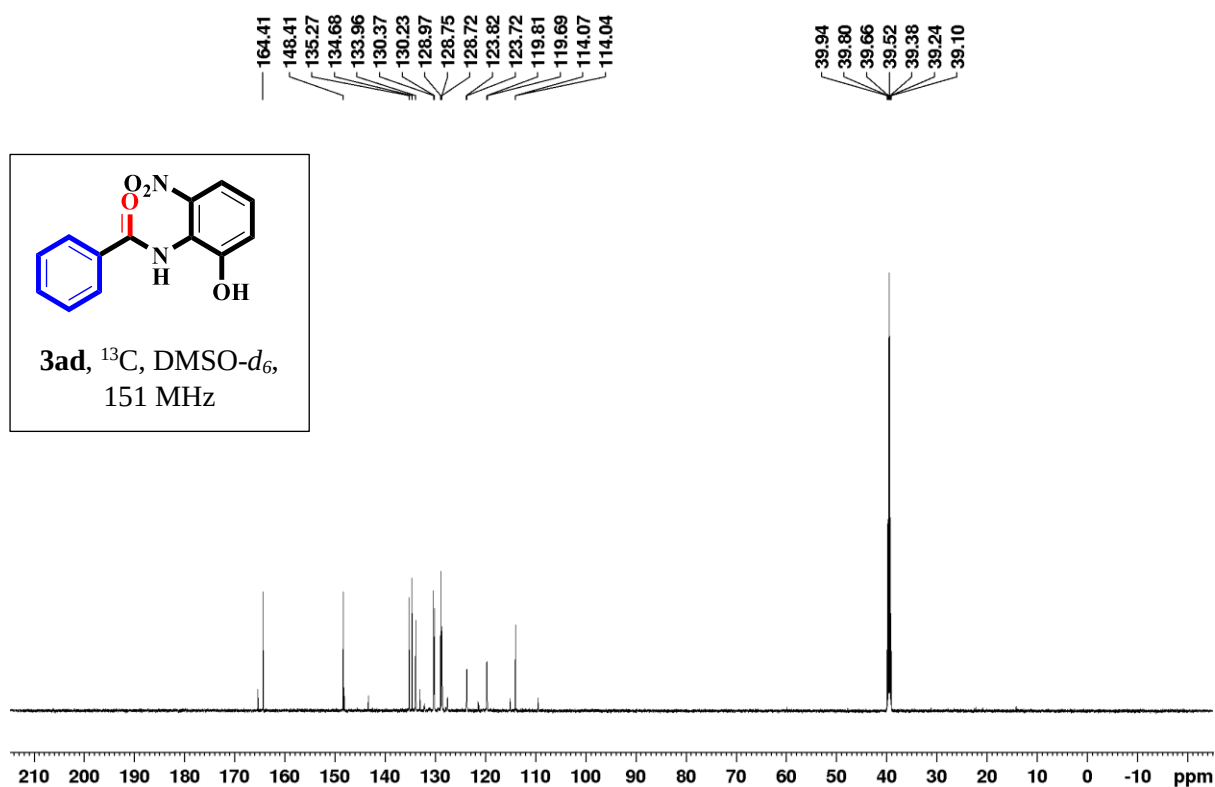


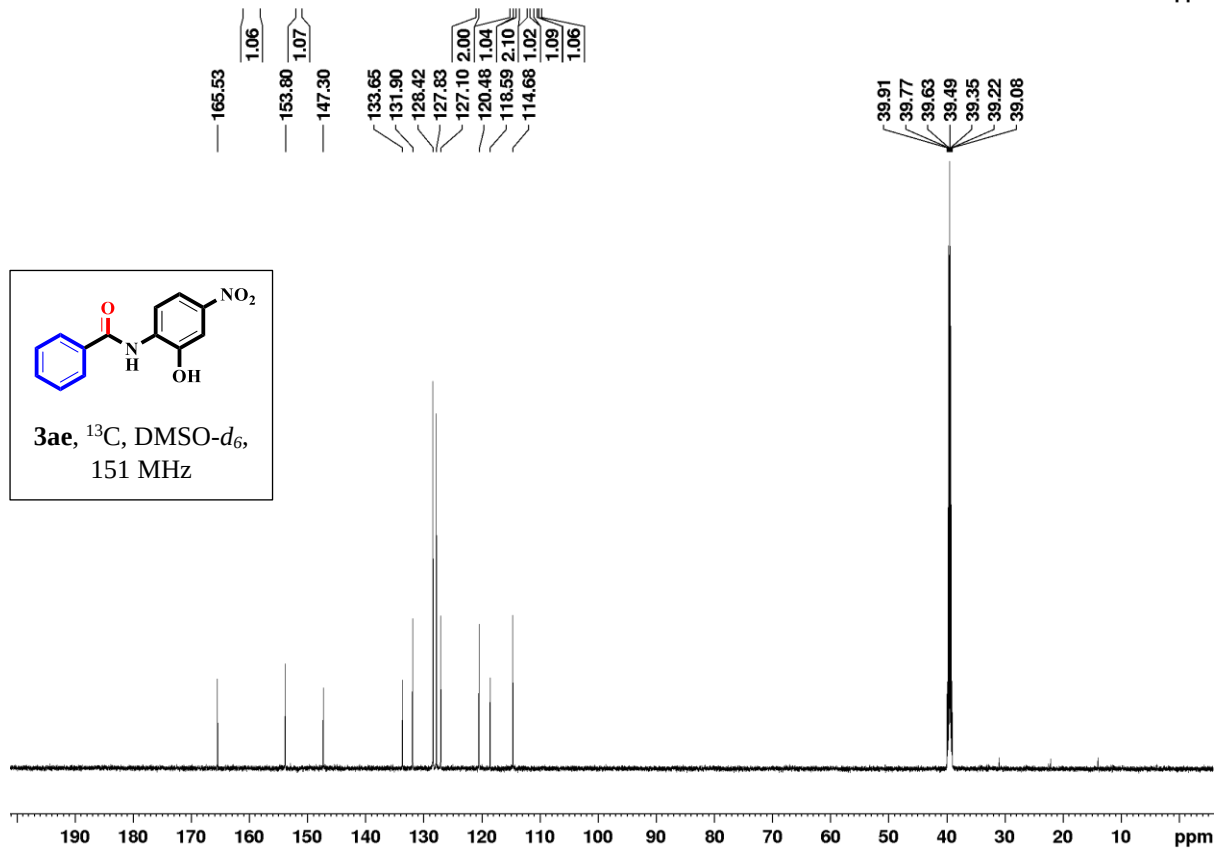
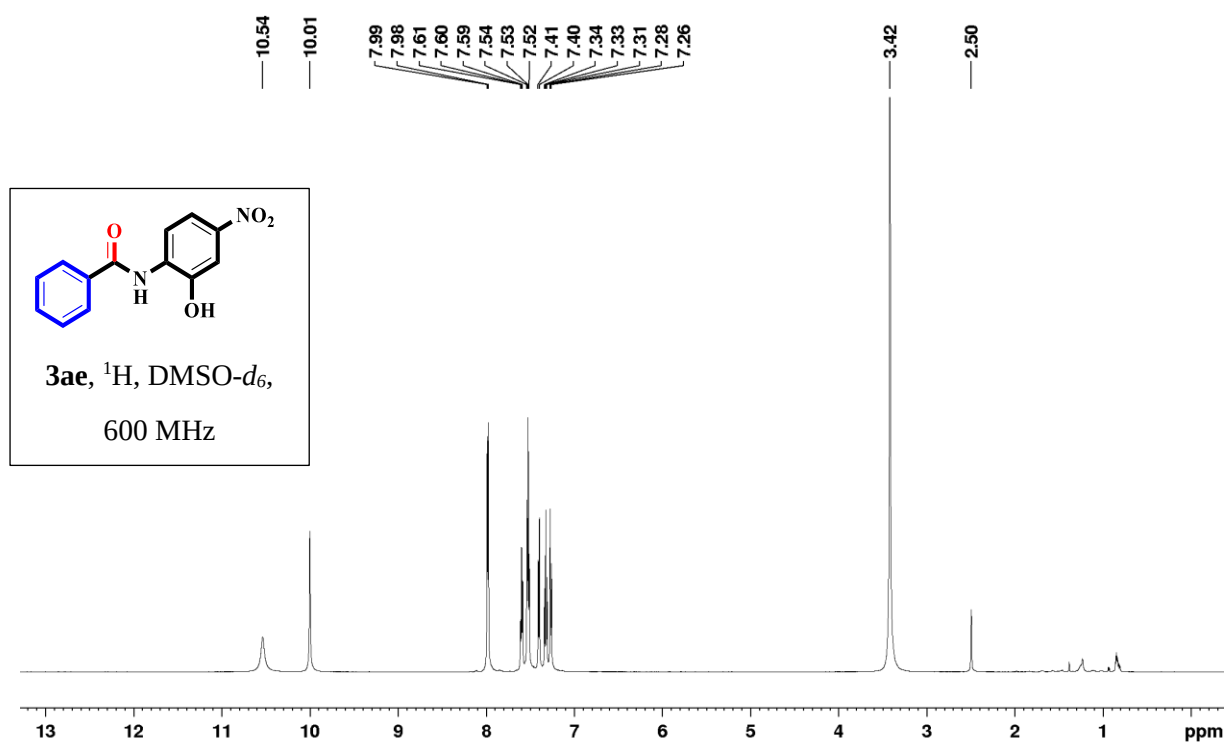
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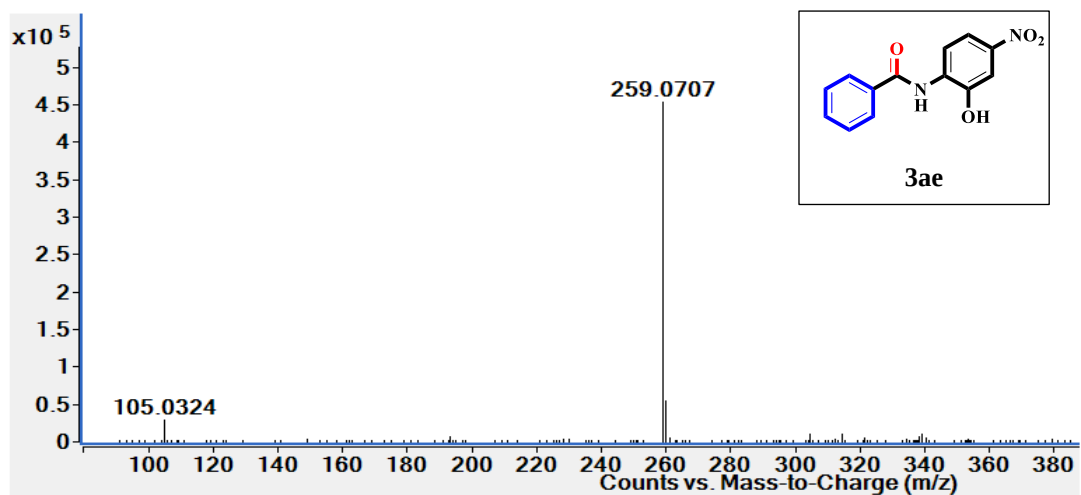
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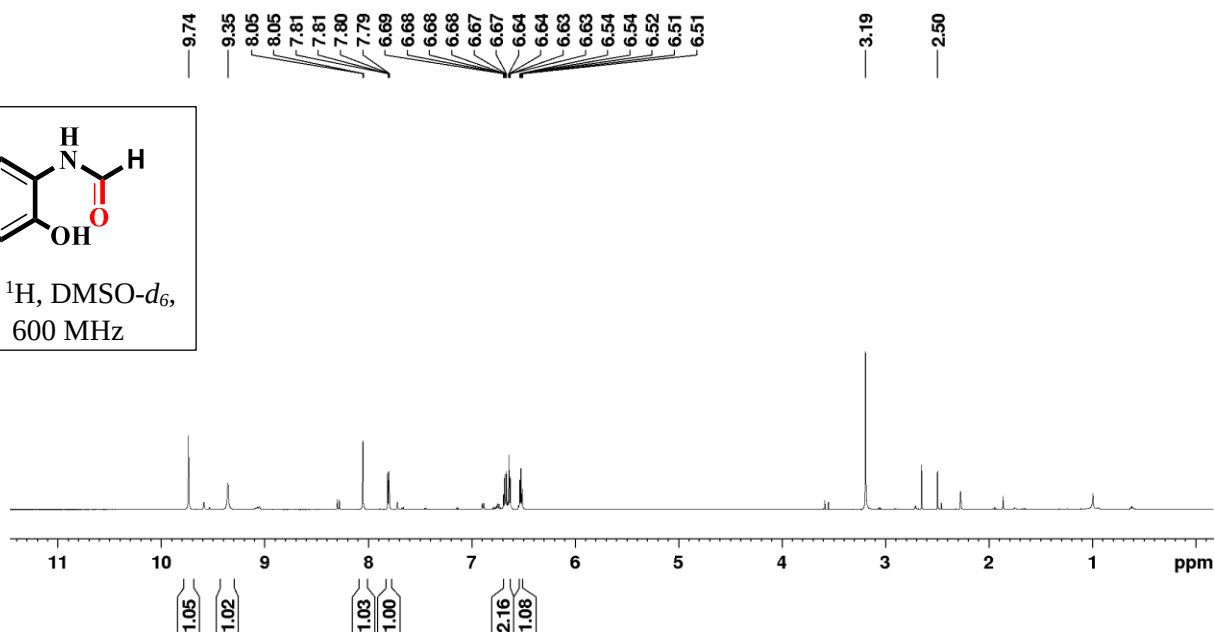
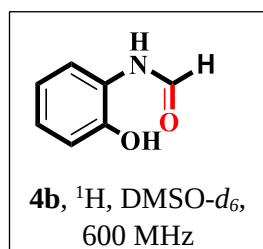
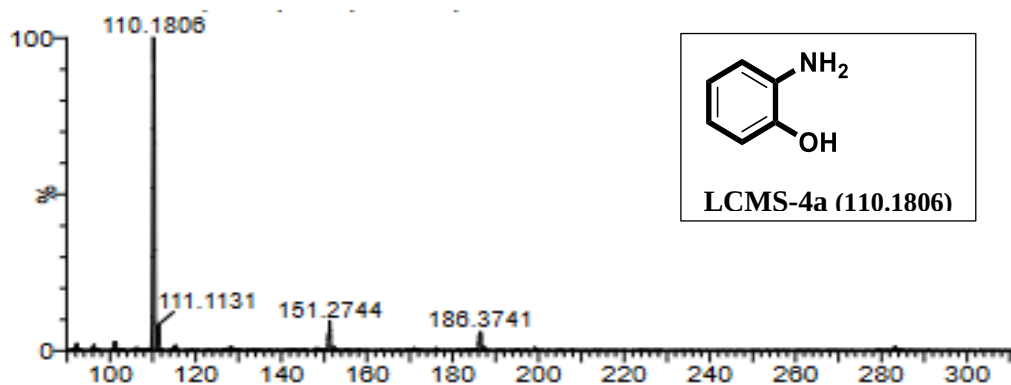


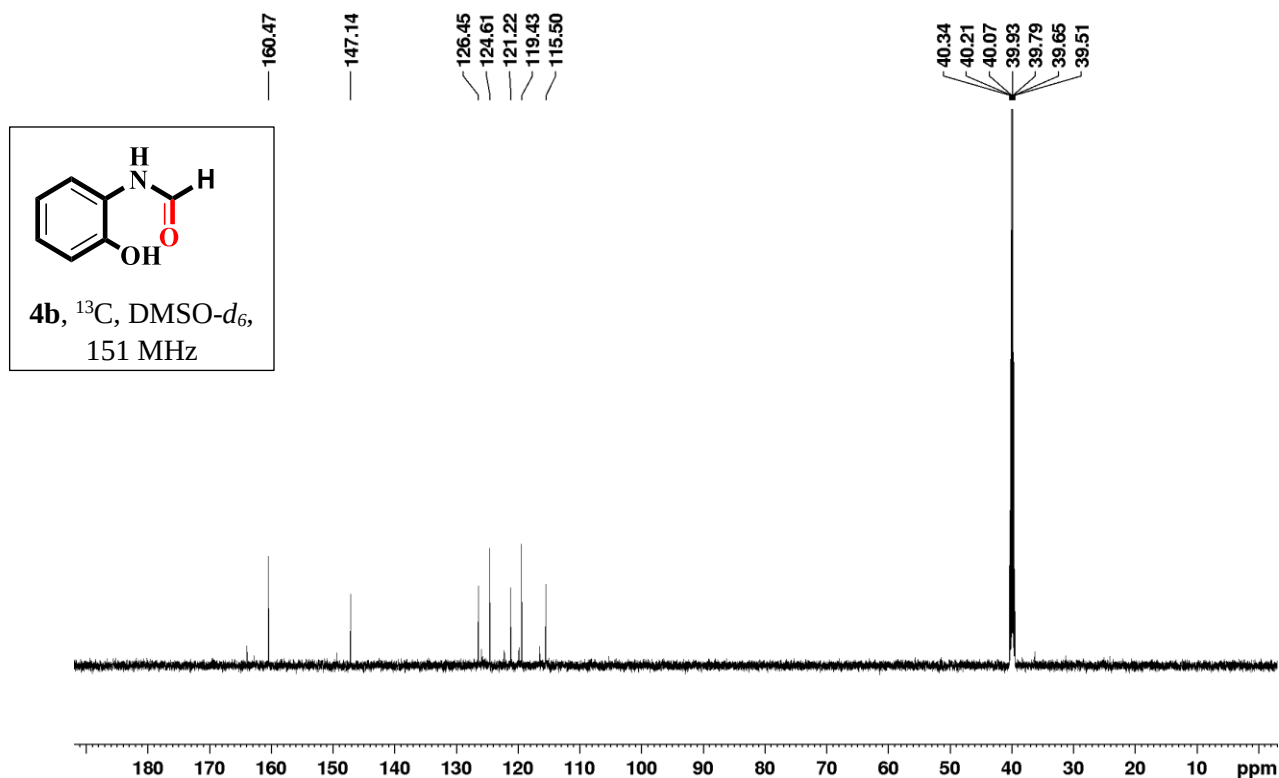






F. Spectral data of compounds 4a and 4b





^1H (CDCl $_3$, 600 MHz) δ (ppm) 9.74 (s, 1H), 9.35 (s, 1H), 8.04-8.05 (m, 1H), 7.79-7.81 (m, 1H), 6.63-6.69 (m, 2H), 7.52-7.55 (m, 1H); ^{13}C (CDCl $_3$, 151 MHz) δ (ppm) 160.47, 147.14, 126.45, 124.61, 121.22, 119.43, 115.50.

