

Supporting Information

**Synthesis of Chiral  $\alpha$ -Amides via Synergistic  
Visible-light-induced Wolff Rearrangement and Asymmetric  
NHC Catalysis**

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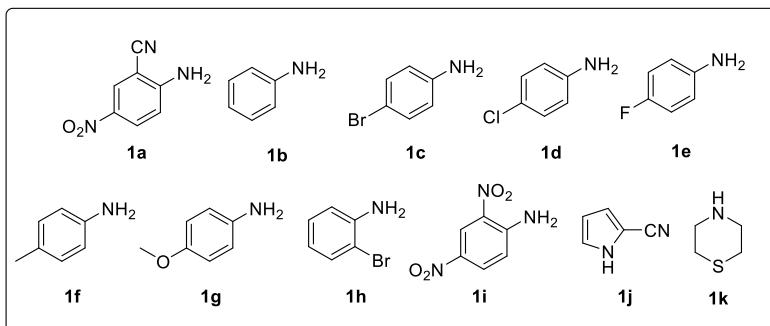
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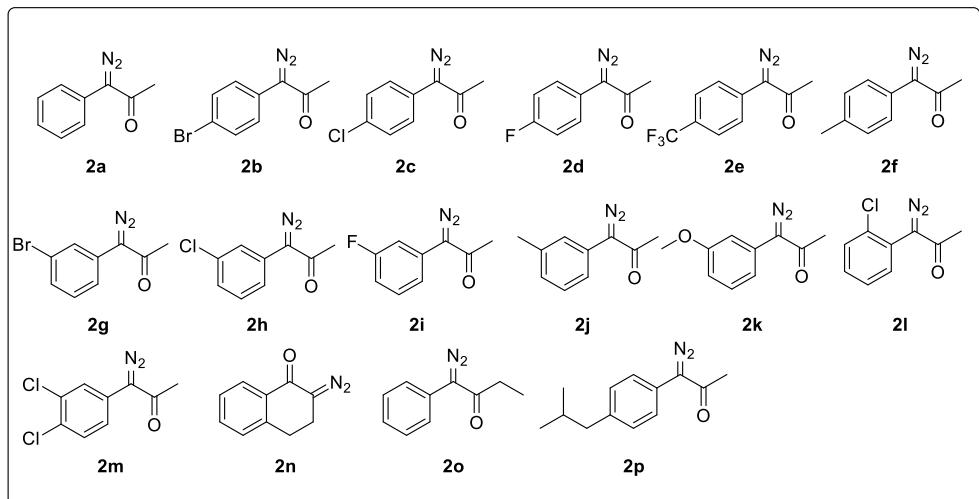
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## 1. General Methods and Materials

Unless otherwise mentioned, all reactions were carried out under an atmosphere of argon in dry glassware and were monitored by analytical thin-layer chromatography (TLC), which was visualized by ultraviolet light (254 nm). All solvents were obtained from commercial sources and were purified according to standard procedures. All syntheses and manipulations were carried out under a dry argon atmosphere. Purification of the products was accomplished by flash chromatography using silica gel (200-300 mesh). Melting points were determined by electric heating digital melting point meter and were uncorrected. Optical rotation was measured by the Perkin Elmer 341 polarimeter.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra were measured on a 400 MHz spectrometer in  $\text{CDCl}_3$  (101 MHz,  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR) or  $\text{DMSO}-d_6$  with chemical shift ( $\delta$ ) given in ppm relative to TMS as internal standard. Data were reported as follows: chemical shift, multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiple), coupling constants (Hz), integration. High-resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were measured with ESI in a positive mode. The ee value determination was carried out using chiral HPLC with Chiralpak AD-H and IC column on Agilent 1100 with a UV-detector.

All starting materials commercially available were used directly. Substrates  $\alpha$ -diazoketones **2** were prepared according to literatures<sup>1,2</sup>.





## 2. Preliminary results

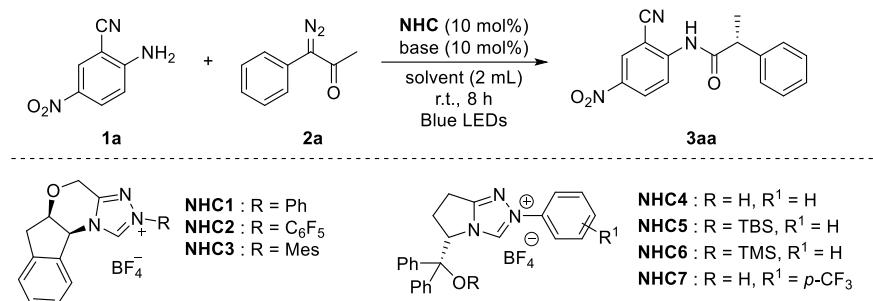
The reaction scheme shows the asymmetric addition of compound 2a to an aromatic amine (1). Reagents: 1 (0.1 mmol), 2a (0.2 mmol), NHC (10 mol%), <sup>i</sup>BuOK (10 mol%), CHCl<sub>3</sub> (2 mL), r.t., 8 h, Blue LEDs. Product: 3. The NHC catalyst structure is shown as a bicyclic system with an oxazoline ring fused to a cyclopentane ring, featuring a phenyl group and a BF<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> counterion.

Entry	1	Yield (%) <sup>b</sup>	ee (%) <sup>c</sup>
1		69	29
2		77	41
3		74	77

<sup>a</sup>Unless noted, reactions were performed with **1** (0.10 mmol), **2a** (0.2 mmol), **NHC** (10 mol%) and base (10 mol%) in anhydrous solvent (2 mL) at r.t. under the irradiation of 2 W blue LEDs.

<sup>b</sup>Isolated yields. <sup>c</sup>Determined by chiral HPLC analysis.

### 3. Optimizations of Reaction Conditions

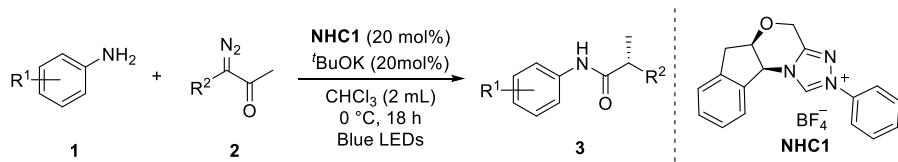


Entry	<b>NHC</b>	Solvent	Base	Yield (%) <sup>b</sup>	<i>e.r.</i> <sup>c</sup>
1	<b>NHC1</b>	CHCl <sub>3</sub>	'BuOK	74	88.5:11.5
2	<b>NHC2</b>	CHCl <sub>3</sub>	'BuOK	trace	-
3	<b>NHC3</b>	CHCl <sub>3</sub>	'BuOK	trace	-
3	<b>NHC4</b>	CHCl <sub>3</sub>	'BuOK	74	28.5:71.5
4	<b>NHC5</b>	CHCl <sub>3</sub>	'BuOK	71	38.5:61.5
5	<b>NHC6</b>	CHCl <sub>3</sub>	'BuOK	83	30:40
6	<b>NHC7</b>	CHCl <sub>3</sub>	'BuOK	70	33:67
7	<b>NHC1</b>	DCM	'BuOK	83	76:24
8	<b>NHC1</b>	DCE	'BuOK	88	73:27
9	<b>NHC1</b>	MeCN	'BuOK	56	65:35
10	<b>NHC1</b>	toluene	'BuOK	85	75:25
11	<b>NHC1</b>	THF	'BuOK	80	80:20
12	<b>NHC1</b>	CHCl <sub>3</sub>	Na <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	39	87:13
13	<b>NHC1</b>	CHCl <sub>3</sub>	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	60	84:16
14	<b>NHC1</b>	CHCl <sub>3</sub>	Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	45	74.5:25.5
15 <sup>d</sup>	<b>NHC1</b>	CHCl <sub>3</sub>	'BuOK	74	90.5:9.5
16 <sup>d,e</sup>	<b>NHC1</b>	CHCl <sub>3</sub>	'BuOK	75	97:3

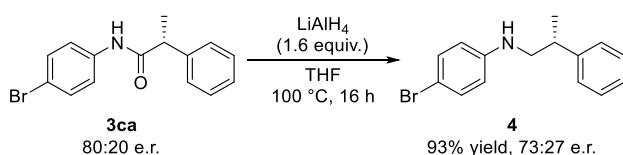
<sup>a</sup>Unless noted, reactions were performed with **1a** (0.10 mmol), **2a** (0.2 mmol), **NHC** (10 mol%) and base (10 mol%) in anhydrous solvent (2 mL) at r.t. under the irradiation of 2 W blue LEDs. <sup>b</sup>Isolated yields. <sup>c</sup>Determined by chiral HPLC analysis.

<sup>d</sup>Using **NHC1** (20mol%)and 'BuOK (20 mol%) instead. <sup>e</sup>Reaction performed under 0 °C for 18 h.

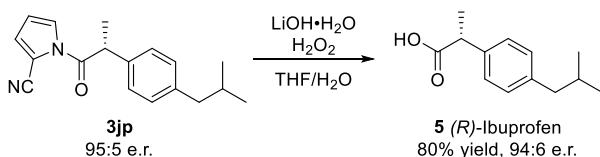
#### **4. General procedures for the synthesis of products**



**General procedure for the synthesis of product 3:** A dried and argon-filled Schlenk tube was charged with anilines **1** (0.10 mmol),  $\alpha$ -diazoketones **2** (0.20 mmol, 2.0 equiv.), **NHC2** (0.02 mmol, 20 mol%), and  $^t\text{BuOK}$  (0.02 mmol, 20 mol%) in dry  $\text{CHCl}_3$  (2 mL). The reaction mixture was stirred under the irradiation of 2W blue LEDs at 0 °C until the consumption of anilines **1** as monitored by TLC. The solvent was removed in vacuo and the residue was purified by chromatography on silica gel using PE/EA (20:1) as eluent to afford the desired products **3**.



**General procedure for the synthesis of product 4:** In an oven-dried Schlenk tube equipped with a magnetic stirring bar, **3ca** (30.3 mg, 0.1 mmol, 1 equiv.) was dissolved in THF (2.0 mL) under a argon atmosphere. The solution was cooled to 0 °C and LiAlH<sub>4</sub> (6 mg, 0.16 mmol, 1.6 equiv.) was added. The mixture was heated at 100 °C for 12 h. The reaction was diluted with THF (5 mL) and quenched with 15% NaOH (aq., 0.5 mL). The aqueous phase was extracted with EtOAc (3 x 10 mL) and the combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (PE/EA = 20:1) to afford **4** (27 mg, 93% yield) as a colorless oil.

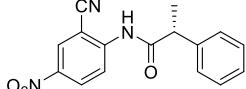


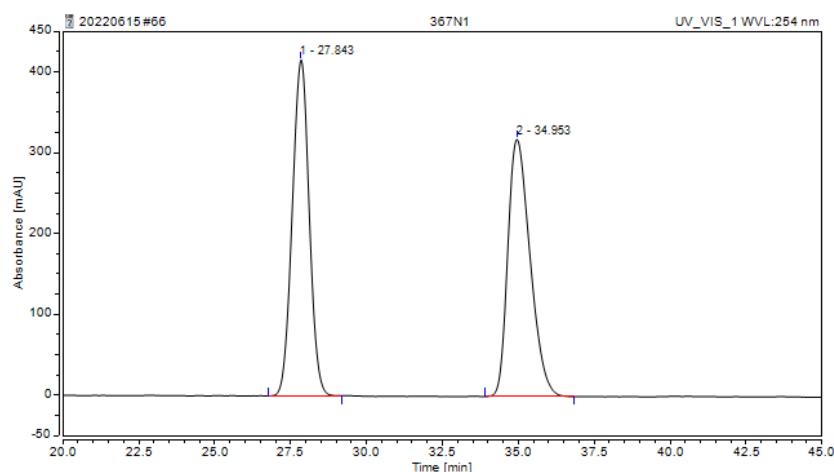
**General procedure for the synthesis of product 5:**<sup>3</sup> In an 10 mL Schlenk tube equipped with a magnetic stirring bar, H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (30% in water, 0.15 mL) was added to a 0 °C solution of the **3** (28 mg, 0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in THF (1.0 mL) and H<sub>2</sub>O (0.33 mL). LiOH·H<sub>2</sub>O (12.6 mg, 0.3 mmol) was added, and the reaction mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 1.5 hours. Na<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (0.7 M, 0.6 mL) and NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (0.5 N, 1.2 mL) were added, and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 15 min.

The THF was removed in vacuo, and the resulting aqueous layer was washed with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (3 mL), acidified with 10% HCl (aq.), and extracted with EtOAc (2 x 5 mL). The residue was purified by flash chromatography (PE/EA = 2:1) to afford **5** (16.5 mg, 80% yield) as a colorless solid.

### 3. Characterization Data of Products

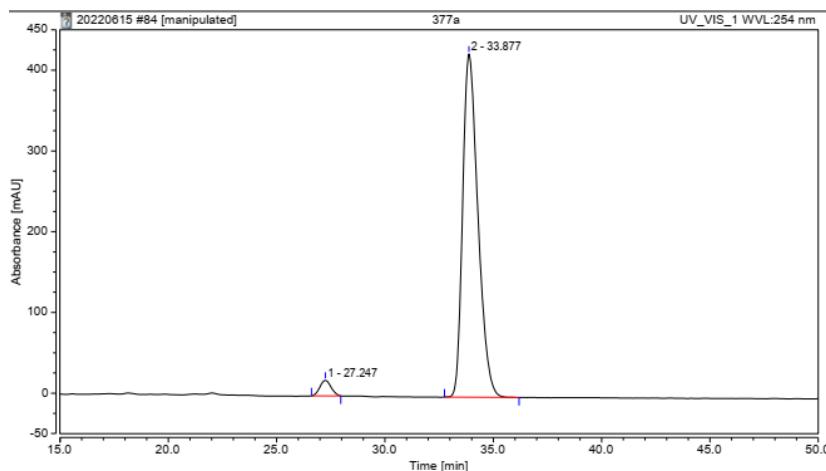
#### (R)-N-(2-cyano-4-nitrophenyl)-2-phenylpropanamide (3aa)

 20.7 mg, 75% yield, pale yellow solid; M.p. 103.4-104.0 °C;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -0.091$  ( $c = 0.1$  in CH<sub>3</sub>OH); **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.75 (d,  $J = 8.9$  Hz, 1H), 8.48 – 8.29 (m, 2H), 7.92 (s, 1H), 7.51 – 7.34 (m, 5H), 3.87 (q,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 1H), 1.67 (d,  $J = 7.1$  Hz, 3H); **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  172.9, 145.3, 142.5, 138.9, 129.8, 129.3, 128.5, 127.8, 127.7, 120.1, 113.9, 101.6, 48.6, 17.7; **HRMS** (ESI) m/z calcd for [M+H]<sup>+</sup> C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>14</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: 296.1030; found: 296.1029; **HPLC** (Daicel Chiraldak IC column, *n*-hexane/i-PrOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm, 25 °C, retention time: t<sub>minor</sub> = 27.247 min, t<sub>major</sub> = 33.877 min, 97:3 e.r.).



#### Integration Results

Peak Name	Retention Time min	Area mAU*min	Height mAU	Relative Area %
1	27.843	268.382	416.071	49.83
2	34.953	270.219	318.393	50.17

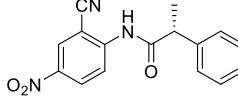


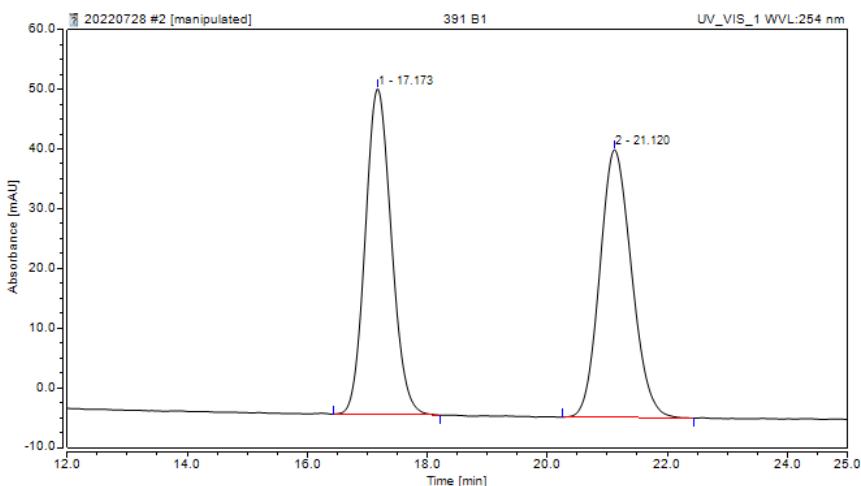
#### Integration Results

No.	Peak Name	Retention Time min	Area mAU*min	Height mAU	Relative Area %	Relative Height %	Amount n.a.
1		27.247	11.443	19.075	3.19	4.30	n.a.
2		33.877	347.460	424.929	96.81	95.70	n.a.

Total:

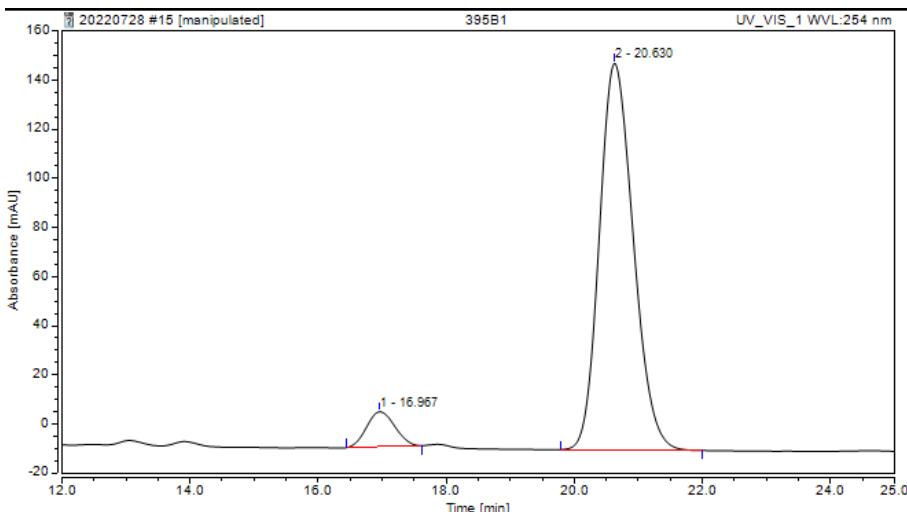
**(R)-2-(4-bromophenyl)-N-(2-cyano-4-nitrophenyl)propanamide (3ab)**

 26.9 mg, 72% yield, pale yellow solid; M.p. 154.5–155.4 °C;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -0.018$  ( $c = 0.1$  in CH<sub>3</sub>OH); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.76 – 8.69 (m, 1H), 8.48 – 8.34 (m, 2H), 7.89 (s, 1H), 7.56 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 2H), 7.29 (s, 2H), 3.82 (q,  $J = 7.1$  Hz, 1H), 1.64 (d,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  172.2, 145.2, 142.7, 138.0, 132.8, 129.4, 129.3, 127.8, 122.4, 120.3, 114.0, 101.7, 48.0, 17.9;; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for [M + H]<sup>+</sup> C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>13</sub>BrN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: 374.0135; found: 374.0139; HPLC (Daicel Chiralpak IC column, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, 254 nm, 25 °C, retention time: t<sub>major</sub> = 20.630 min, t<sub>minor</sub> = 16.967 min, 93:7 e.r.).



**Integration Results**

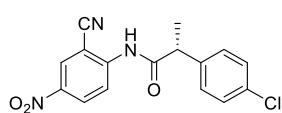
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1	17.173	27.494	54.514	49.99
2	21.120	27.505	44.839	50.01



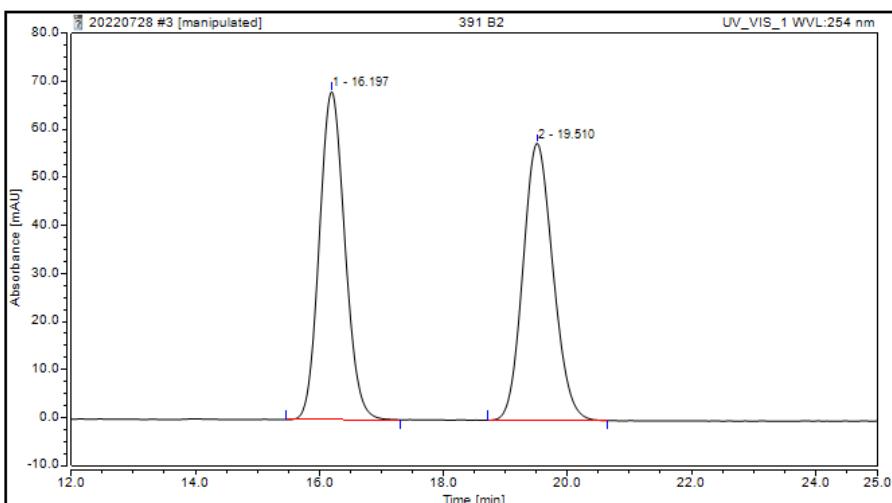
**Integration Results**

Peak Name	Retention Time min	Area mAU*min	Height mAU	Relative Area %
1	16.967	7.278	14.222	7.00
2	20.630	96.766	157.471	93.00

**(R)-2-(4-chlorophenyl)-N-(2-cyano-4-nitrophenyl)propanamide (3ac)**

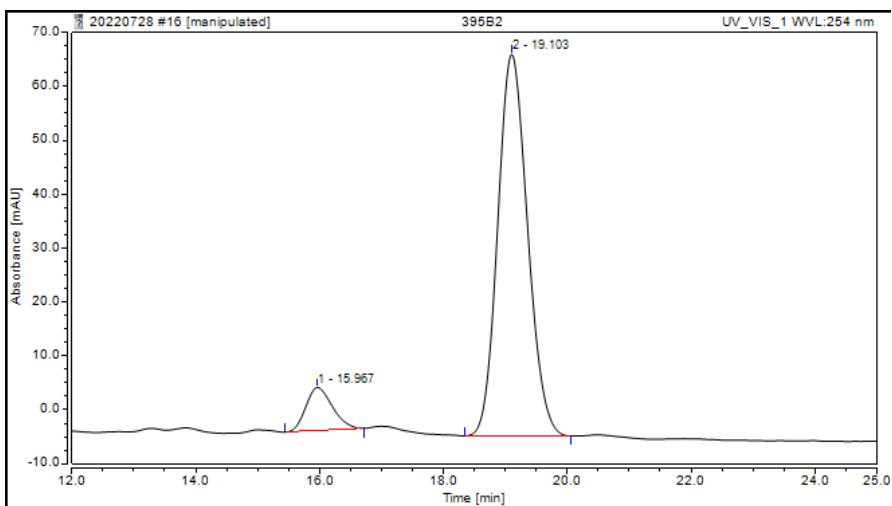


23.4 mg, 71% yield, pale yellow solid; M.p. 123.8 – 124.5 °C;  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  = -0.012 (c = 0.1 in CH<sub>3</sub>OH); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.79 – 8.66 (m, 1H), 8.46 – 8.36 (m, 2H), 7.89 (s, 1H), 7.45 – 7.30 (m, 4H), 3.84 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 1.64 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 172.3, 145.2, 142.7, 137.4, 134.4, 129.8, 129.4, 128.9, 127.8, 120.3, 114.0, 101.7, 47.9, 18.0; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for [M + H]<sup>+</sup> C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>13</sub>ClN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: 330.0640; found: 330.0646; HPLC (Daicel Chiralpak IC column, n-hexane/i-PrOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, 254 nm, 25 °C, retention time: t<sub>major</sub> = 19.103 min, t<sub>minor</sub> = 15.967 min, 91:9 e.r.).



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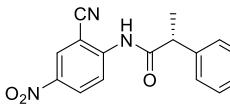
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2	19.510	32.390	57.671	49.92

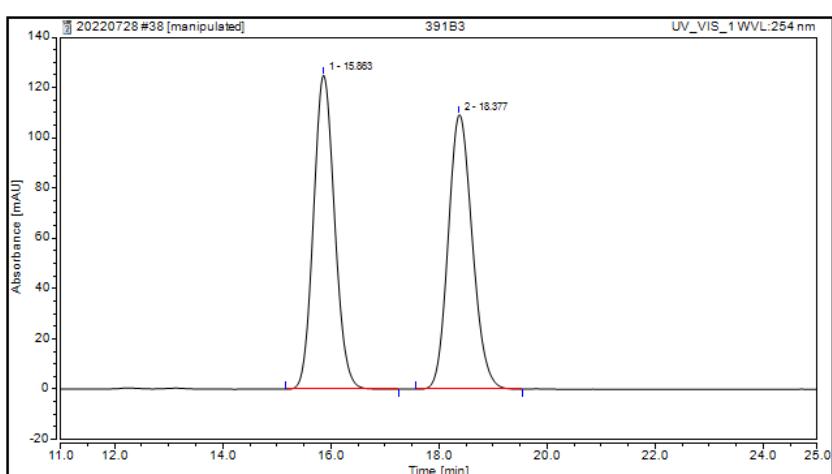


**Integration Results**

Peak Name	Retention Time min	Area mAU*min	Height mAU	Relative Area %
1	15.967	3.936	7.987	9.08
2	19.103	39.419	70.820	90.92

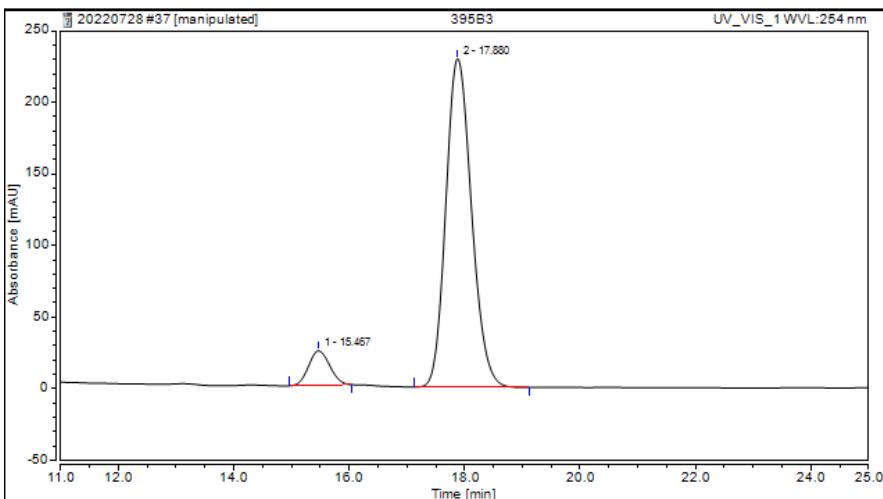
**(R)-N-(2-cyano-4-nitrophenyl)-2-(4-fluorophenyl)propanamide (3ad)**


 21.6 mg, 69% yield, pale yellow solid; M.p. 126.2 – 126.8 °C;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -0.013$  ( $c = 0.1$  in CH<sub>3</sub>OH); **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.78 – 8.69 (m, 1H), 8.46 – 8.36 (m, 2H), 7.91 (s, 1H), 7.42 – 7.33 (m, 2H), 7.18 – 7.08 (m, 2H), 3.86 (q,  $J = 7.1$  Hz, 1H), 1.65 (d,  $J = 4.5$  Hz, 3H); **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  172.6, 162.3 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 249.2$  Hz), 145.2, 142.6, 134.7 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 3.4$  Hz), 129.4, 129.3 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 8.1$  Hz), 127.8, 120.2, 116.7 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 21.8$  Hz), 114.0, 101.7, 47.8, 18.0; **<sup>19</sup>F NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  -113.2; **HRMS** (ESI) m/z calcd for [M + H]<sup>+</sup> C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>13</sub>FN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: 314.0935; found: 314.0942; **HPLC** (Daicel Chiralpak IC column, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, 254 nm, 25 °C, retention time: t<sub>major</sub> = 17.880 min, t<sub>minor</sub> = 15.467 min, 92:8 e.r.).



**Integration Results**

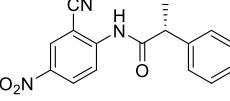
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2	18.377	56.474	109.283	49.98

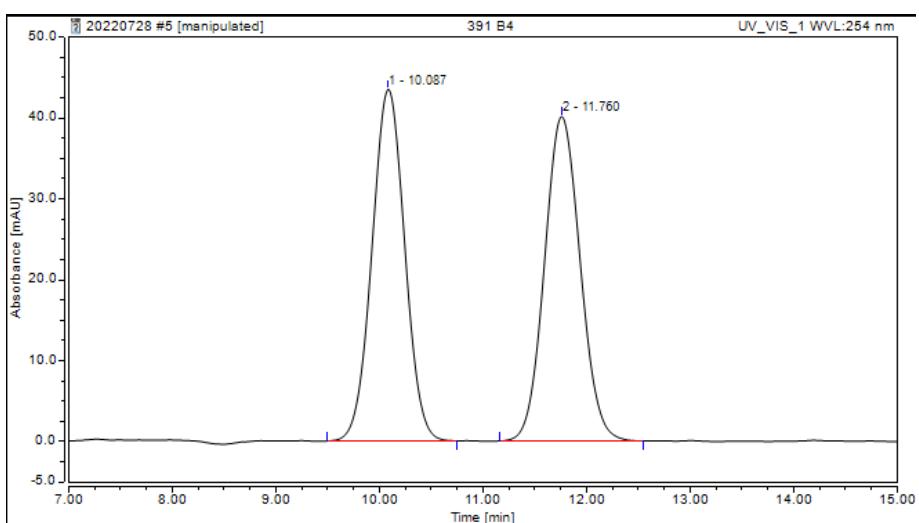


**Integration Results**

Peak Name	Retention Time min	Area mAU*min	Height mAU	Relative Area %
1	15.467	10.210	24.073	7.92
2	17.880	118.752	229.836	92.08

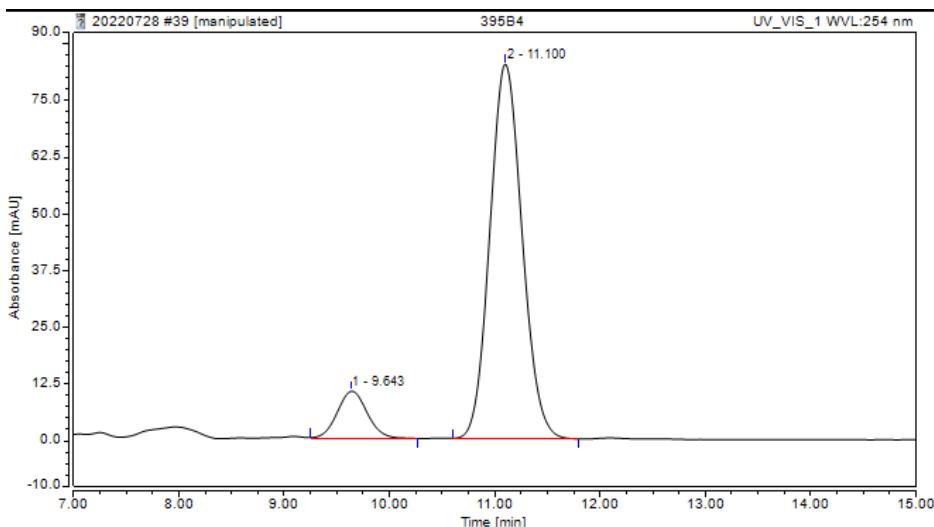
**(R)-N-(2-cyano-4-nitrophenyl)-2-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)propanamide (3ae)**


 25.4 mg, 70% yield, pale yellow solid; M.p. 167.9 – 168.3 °C;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -0.010$  (c = 0.1 in CH<sub>3</sub>OH); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.78 – 8.69 (m, 1H), 8.49 – 8.36 (m, 2H), 7.88 (s, 1H), 7.75 – 7.65 (m, 2H), 7.57 – 7.49 (m, 2H), 3.92 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 1.68 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 171.8, 145.0, 143.0, 142.8, 130.7 (q, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 30 Hz), 129.4, 128.0, 127.8, 126.6 (q, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 3.8 Hz), 123.9 (q, *J*<sub>C-F</sub> = 270 Hz), 120.4, 114.0, 101.8, 48.4, 18.1; <sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ -62.7; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for [M + H]<sup>+</sup> C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>13</sub>F<sub>3</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: 364.0904; found: 364.0903; HPLC (Daicel Chiralpak IC column, *n*-hexane/i-PrOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, 254 nm, 25 °C, retention time: t<sub>major</sub> = 11.100 min, t<sub>minor</sub> = 9.643 min, 89.5:10.5 e.r.).



**Integration Results**

Peak Name	Retention Time min	Area mAU*min	Height mAU	Relative Area %
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2	11.760	15.992	40.124	50.14

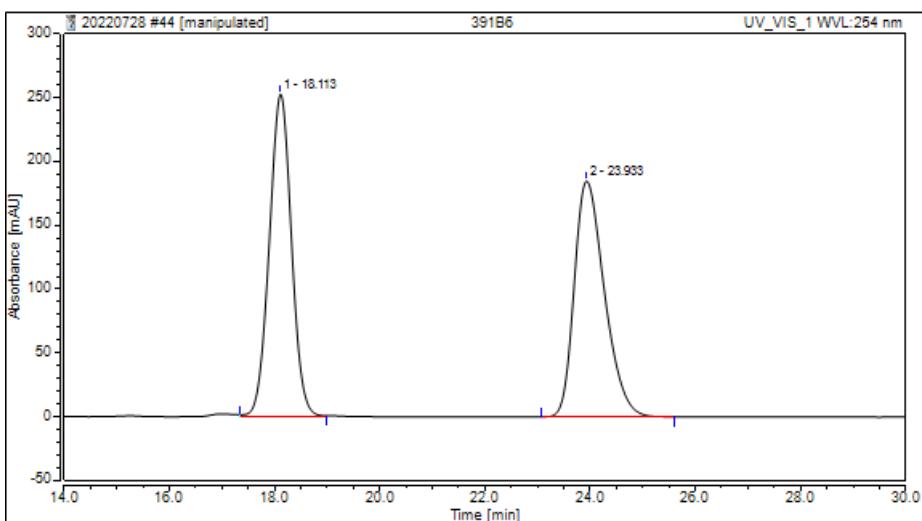
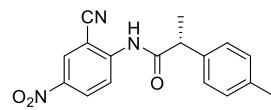


**Integration Results**

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2	11.100	29.266	82.555	89.52

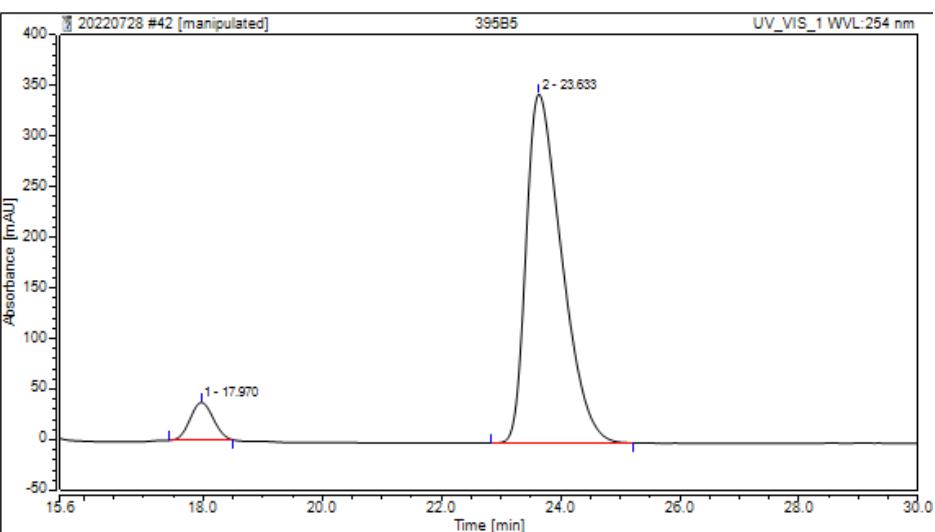
**(R)-N-(2-cyano-4-nitrophenyl)-2-(*p*-tolyl)propanamide (3af)**

22.2 mg, 72% yield, pale yellow solid; M.p. 118.5 – 119.3 °C;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -0.031$  ( $c = 0.1$  in  $\text{CH}_3\text{OH}$ );  $^1\text{H NMR}$  (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.81 – 8.68 (m, 1H), 8.44 – 8.33 (m, 2H), 7.95 (s, 1H), 7.30 – 7.23 (m, 4H), 3.83 (q,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 1H), 2.37 (s, 3H), 1.64 (d,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C NMR}$  (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  173.1, 145.4, 142.4, 138.3, 135.8, 130.4, 129.3, 127.8, 127.5, 120.0, 113.9, 101.5, 48.1, 21.1, 17.7; **HRMS** (ESI) m/z calcd for  $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$   $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{16}\text{N}_3\text{O}_3$ : 310.1186; found: 310.1182; **HPLC** (Daicel Chiralpak IC column, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, 254 nm, 25 °C, retention time:  $t_{\text{major}} = 23.633$  min,  $t_{\text{minor}} = 17.970$  min, 93:7 e.r.).



**Integration Results**

Peak Name	Retention Time min	Area mAU*min	Height mAU	Relative Area %
1	18.113	123.372	252.792	50.15
2	23.933	122.653	184.715	49.85

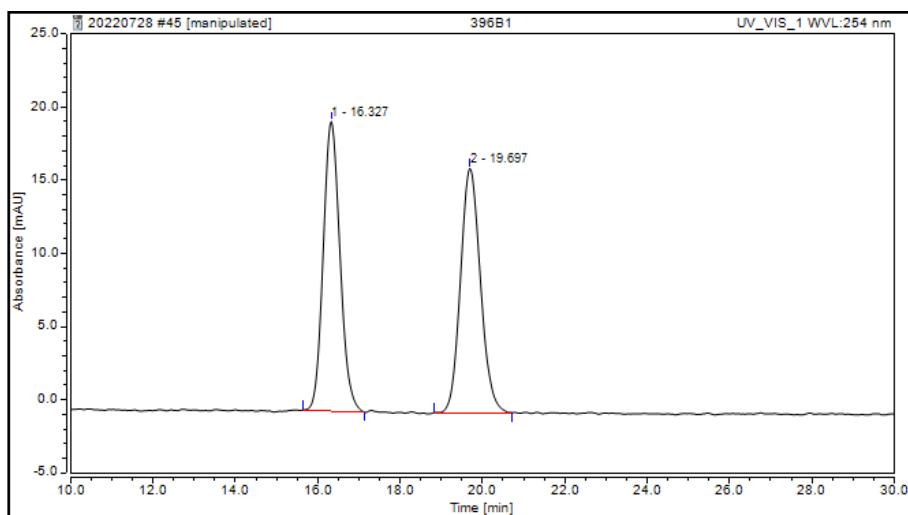


**Integration Results**

Peak Name	Retention Time min	Area mAU*min	Height mAU	Relative Area %
1	17.970	16.840	37.232	6.60
2	23.633	238.275	344.653	93.40

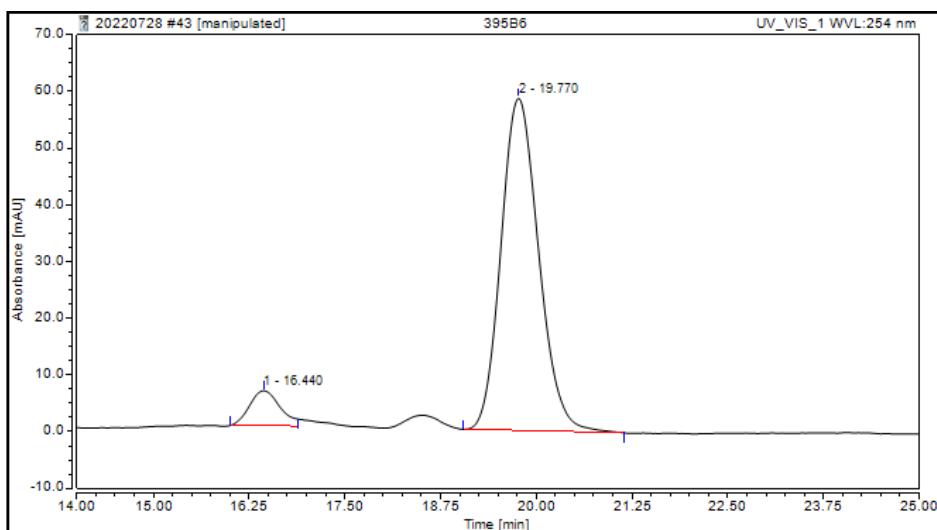
**(R)-2-(3-bromophenyl)-N-(2-cyano-4-nitrophenyl)propanamide (3ag)**

25.4 mg, 68% yield, pale yellow solid; M.p. 109.1 – 109.7 °C;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -0.034$  ( $c = 0.1$  in CH<sub>3</sub>OH); **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.78 – 8.69 (m, 1H), 8.47 – 8.38 (m, 2H), 7.89 (s, 1H), 7.58 – 7.46 (m, 2H), 7.36 – 7.31 (m, 2H), 3.82 (q,  $J = 7.1$  Hz, 1H), 1.65 (d,  $J = 7.1$  Hz, 3H); **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  172.0, 145.1, 142.7, 141.2, 131.6, 131.2, 130.7, 129.4, 127.8, 126.3, 123.7, 120.3, 114.0, 101.8, 48.2, 17.9; **HRMS** (ESI) m/z calcd for [M + H]<sup>+</sup> C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>13</sub>BrN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: 374.0135; found: 374.0134; **HPLC** (Daicel Chiralpak IC column, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, 254 nm, 25 °C, retention time: t<sub>major</sub> = 19.770 min, t<sub>minor</sub> = 16.440 min, 92:8 e.r.).



**Integration Results**

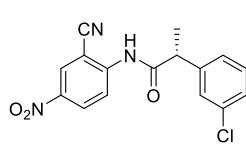
Peak Name	Retention Time min	Area mAU*min	Height mAU	Relative Area %
1	16.327	9.353	19.801	50.00
2	19.697	9.354	16.702	50.00



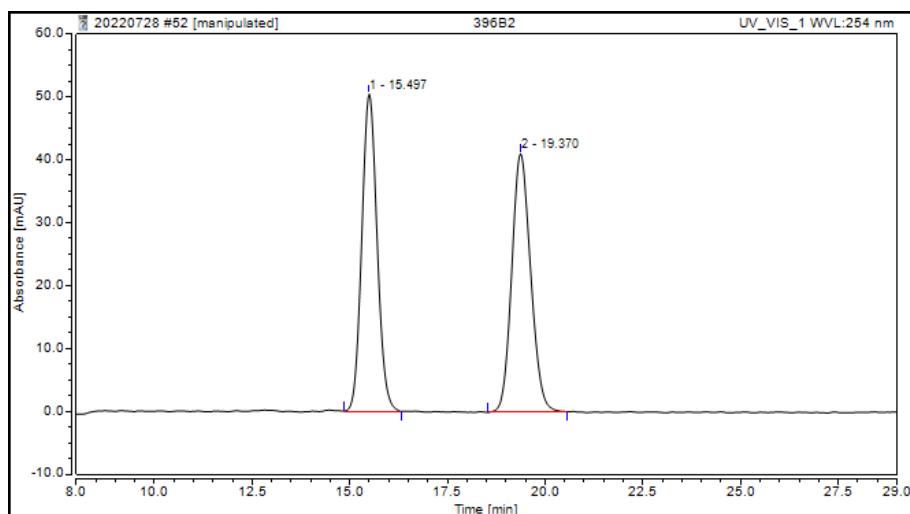
**Integration Results**

Peak Name	Retention Time min	Area mAU*min	Height mAU	Relative Area %
1	16.440	2.851	6.179	7.87
2	19.770	33.373	58.554	92.13

**(R)-2-(3-chlorophenyl)-N-(2-cyano-4-nitrophenyl)propanamide (3ah)**

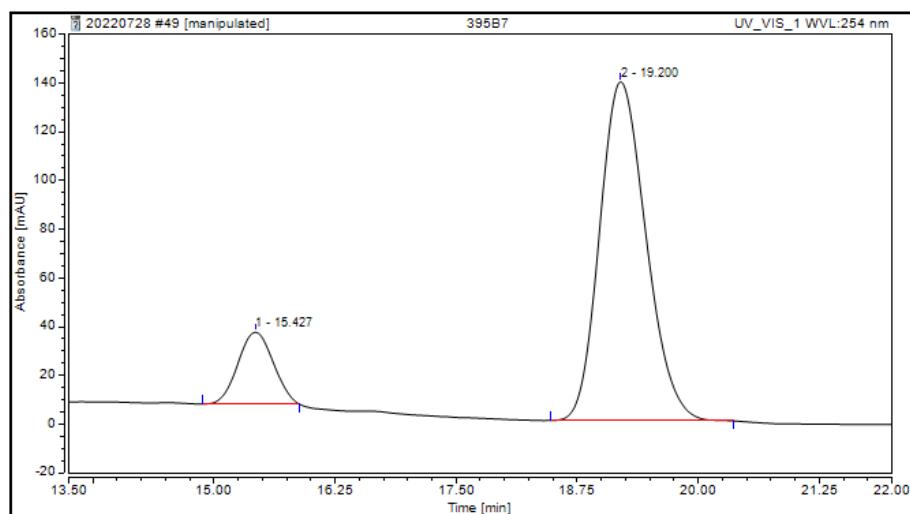


21.1 mg, 64% yield, pale yellow solid; M.p. 115.2 – 115.9 °C;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -0.037$  ( $c = 0.1$  in CH<sub>3</sub>OH); **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.80 – 8.66 (m, 1H), 8.51 – 8.33 (m, 2H), 7.94 (s, 1H), 7.43 – 7.27 (m, 4H), 3.85 (q,  $J = 7.1$  Hz, 1H), 1.65 (d,  $J = 7.1$  Hz, 3H); **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  172.1, 145.1, 142.7, 140.9, 135.5, 130.9, 129.4, 128.6, 127.9, 127.8, 125.9, 120.4, 114.0, 101.8, 48.1, 17.9; **HRMS** (ESI) m/z calcd for [M + H]<sup>+</sup> C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>13</sub>ClN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: 330.0640; found: 330.0638; **HPLC** (Daicel Chiraldak IC column, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, 254 nm, 25 °C, retention time: t<sub>major</sub> = 19.200 min, t<sub>minor</sub> = 15.427 min, 86:14 e.r.).



**Integration Results**

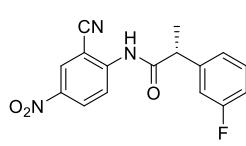
Peak Name	Retention Time min	Area mAU*min	Height mAU	Relative Area %
1	15.497	22.900	50.443	49.87
2	19.370	23.024	41.068	50.13



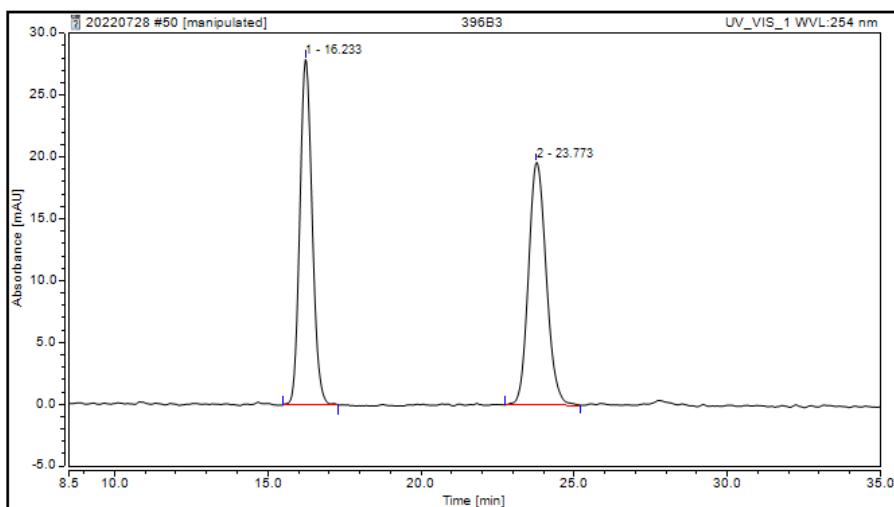
**Integration Results**

Peak Name	Retention Time min	Area mAU*min	Height mAU	Relative Area %
1	15.427	12.410	29.447	13.87
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**(R)-N-(2-cyano-4-nitrophenyl)-2-(3-fluorophenyl)propanamide (3ai)**

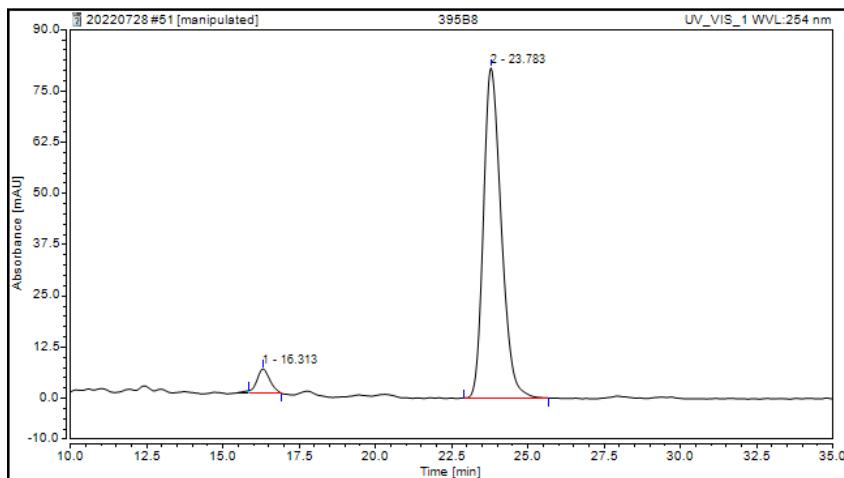


21.9 mg, 70% yield, pale yellow solid; M.p. 110.7 – 111.3 °C;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -0.031$  ( $c = 0.1$  in  $\text{CH}_3\text{OH}$ );  $^1\text{H NMR}$  (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.80 – 8.69 (m, 1H), 8.48 – 8.34 (m, 2H), 7.91 (s, 1H), 7.48 – 7.38 (m, 1H), 7.22 – 7.16 (m, 1H), 7.15 – 7.02 (m, 2H), 3.87 (q,  $J = 7.1$  Hz, 1H), 1.66 (d,  $J = 7.1$  Hz, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C NMR}$  (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  172.1, 163.4 (d,  $J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 249.7$  Hz), 145.2, 142.7, 141.3 (d,  $J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 7.0$  Hz), 131.4 (d,  $J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 8.4$  Hz), 128.6 (d,  $J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 160.3$  Hz), 123.5, 123.4, 120.2, 115.5 (d,  $J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 21.2$  Hz), 114.7 (d,  $J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 21.9$  Hz), 113.9, 101.7, 48.2, 17.8;  $^{19}\text{F NMR}$  (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  -110.7;  $\text{HRMS}$  (ESI)  $m/z$  calcd for  $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+ \text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{13}\text{FN}_3\text{O}_3$ : 314.0935; found: 314.0933; **HPLC** (Daicel Chiralpak IC column, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, 254 nm, 25 °C, retention time:  $t_{\text{major}} = 23.783$  min,  $t_{\text{minor}} = 16.313$  min, 95:5 e.r.).



**Integration Results**

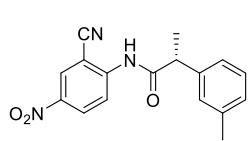
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1	16.233	13.072	27.940	49.71
2	23.773	13.222	19.645	50.29



**Integration Results**

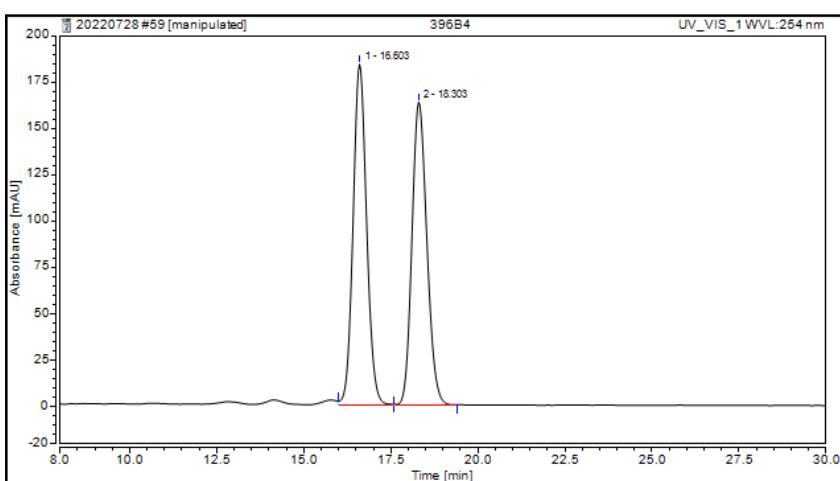
Peak Name	Retention Time min	Area mAU*min	Height mAU	Relative Area %
1	16.313	2.920	5.905	5.10
2	23.783	54.354	80.578	94.90

**(R)-N-(2-cyano-4-nitrophenyl)-2-(*m*-tolyl)propanamide (3aj)**



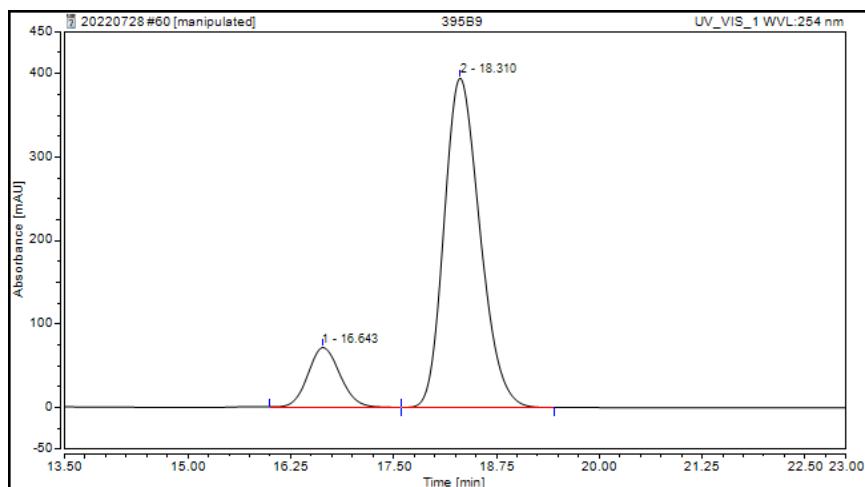
21.3 mg, 69% yield, pale yellow solid; M.p. 105.6 – 106.2 °C;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -0.042$  ( $c = 0.1$  in CH<sub>3</sub>OH); **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.81 – 8.69 (m, 1H), 8.45 – 8.33 (m, 2H), 7.98 (s, 1H), 7.37 – 7.29 (m, 1H), 7.23 – 7.12 (m, 3H), 3.83 (q,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 1H), 2.39 (s, 3H), 1.65 (d,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 3H);

**<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  173.0, 145.4, 142.4, 139.7, 138.8, 129.6, 129.3, 129.2, 128.3, 127.8, 124.7, 120.0, 113.9, 101.6, 48.4, 21.4, 17.5; **HRMS** (ESI) m/z calcd for [M + H]<sup>+</sup> C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>16</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: 310.1186; found: 310.1181; **HPLC** (Daicel Chiraldak IC column, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, 254 nm, 25 °C, retention time: t<sub>major</sub> = 18.310 min, t<sub>minor</sub> = 16.643 min, 86:14 e.r.).



**Integration Results**

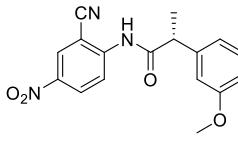
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1	16.603	82.610	183.800	50.53
2	18.303	80.877	163.373	49.47

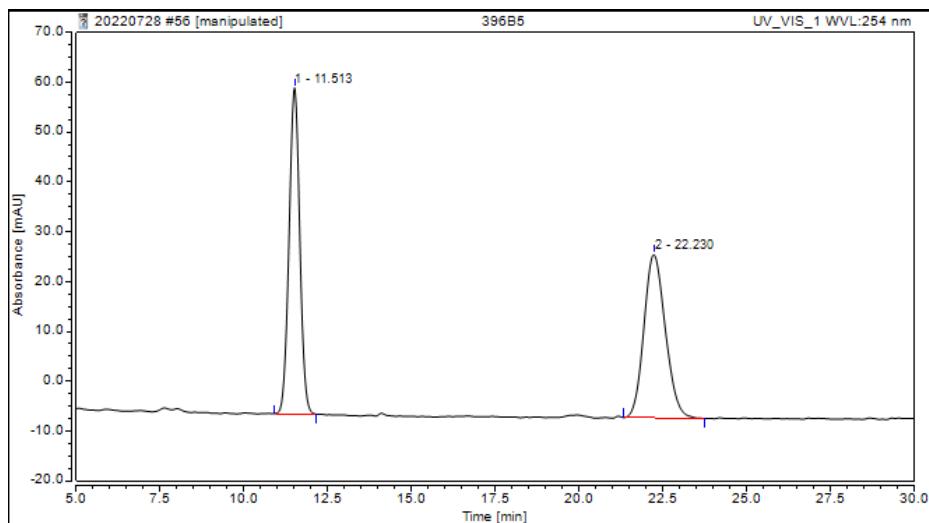


**Integration Results**

Peak Name	Retention Time min	Area mAU*min	Height mAU	Relative Area %
1	16.643	32.831	71.757	14.17
2	18.310	198.885	394.335	85.83

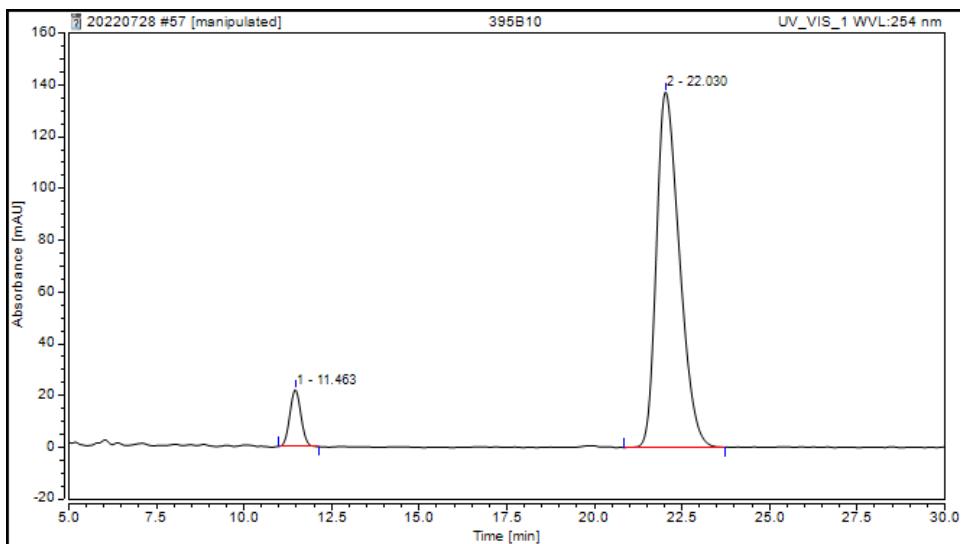
**(R)-N-(2-cyano-4-nitrophenyl)-2-(3-methoxyphenyl)propanamide (3ak)**


  
 24.1 mg, 74% yield, pale yellow solid; M.p. 101.4 – 101.9 °C;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -0.021$  ( $c = 0.1$  in CH<sub>3</sub>OH); **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.79 – 8.68 (m, 1H), 8.44 – 8.33 (m, 2H), 7.98 (s, 1H), 7.43 – 7.32 (m, 1H), 7.03 – 6.85 (m, 3H), 3.89 – 3.78 (m, 4H), 1.66 (d,  $J = 7.4$  Hz, 3H); **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  172.7, 160.6, 145.3, 142.5, 140.3, 130.9, 129.3, 127.8, 120.1, 119.9, 113.9, 113.7, 113.5, 101.6, 55.3, 48.5, 17.5; **HRMS** (ESI) m/z calcd for [M + H]<sup>+</sup> C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>16</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: 326.1135; found: 326.1136; **HPLC** (Daicel Chiraldak IC column, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 75/25, flow rate = 1.8 mL/min, 254 nm, 25 °C, retention time: t<sub>major</sub> = 22.030 min, t<sub>minor</sub> = 11.463 min, 93:7 e.r.).



**Integration Results**

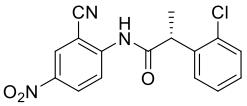
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1	11.513	24.231	65.455	49.96
2	22.230	24.270	32.771	50.04

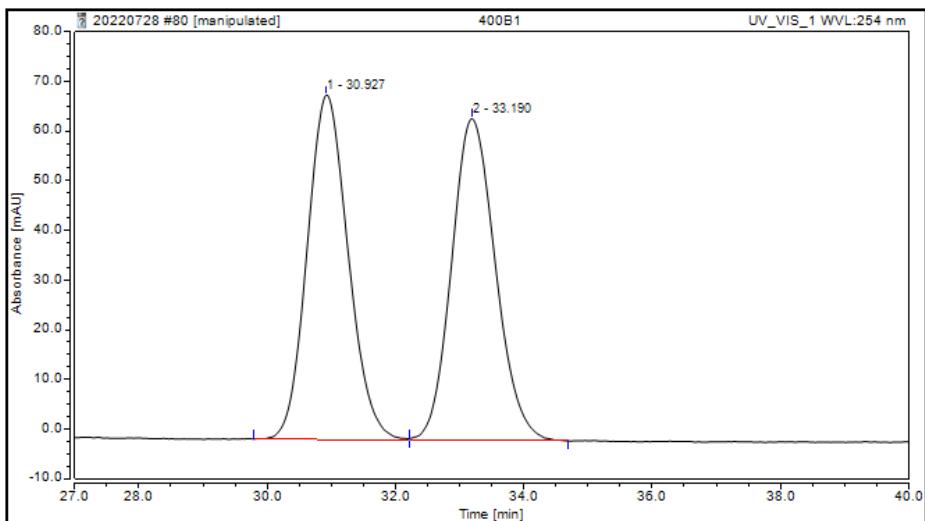


**Integration Results**

Peak Name	Retention Time min	Area mAU*min	Height mAU	Relative Area %
1	11.463	8.106	21.993	7.21
2	22.030	104.276	137.328	92.79

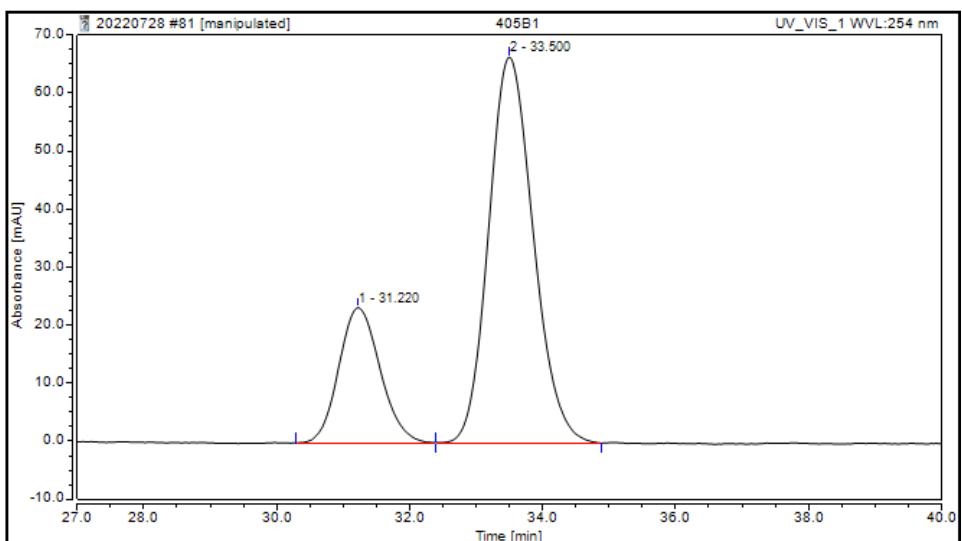
**(R)-2-(2-chlorophenyl)-N-(2-cyano-4-nitrophenyl)propanamide (3al)**


 20.7 mg, 63% yield, pale yellow solid; M.p. 177.7 – 178.3 °C;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -0.020$  (c = 0.1 in CH<sub>3</sub>OH); **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.81 – 8.68 (m, 1H), 8.47 – 8.33 (m, 2H), 8.03 (s, 1H), 7.53 – 7.43 (m, 2H), 7.41 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 4.40 (q, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 1.67 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H); **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 172.0, 145.4, 142.6, 136.4, 133.8, 130.4, 129.6, 129.3, 128.6, 128.1, 127.9, 120.3, 113.9, 101.8, 44.5, 16.7; **HRMS** (ESI) m/z calcd for [M + H]<sup>+</sup> C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>13</sub>ClN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: 330.0640; found: 330.0648; **HPLC** (Daicel Chiralpak IC column, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm, 25 °C, retention time: t<sub>major</sub> = 33.500 min, t<sub>minor</sub> = 31.220 min, 75.5:24.5 e.r.).



**Integration Results**

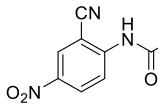
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1	30.927	51.359	69.390	50.04
2	33.190	51.281	64.780	49.96

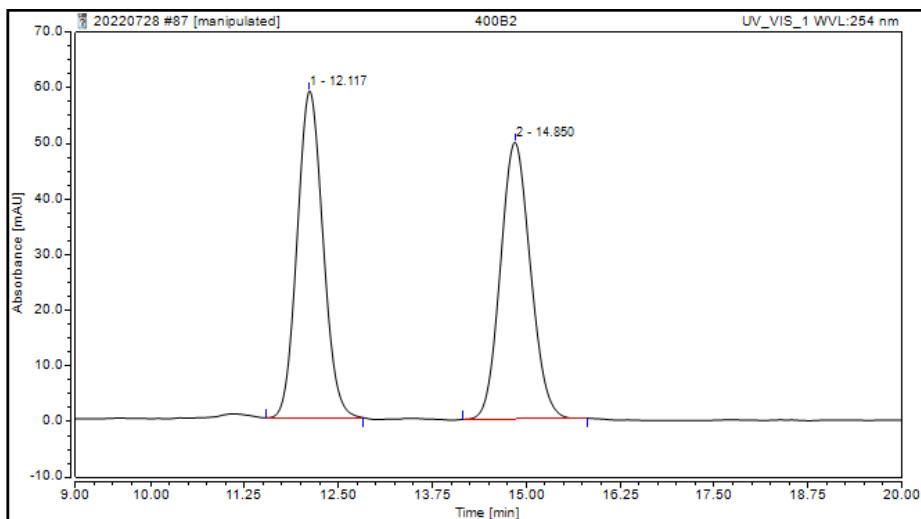


**Integration Results**

Peak Name	Retention Time min	Area mAU*min	Height mAU	Relative Area %
1	31.220	16.850	23.351	24.57
2	33.500	51.740	66.483	75.43

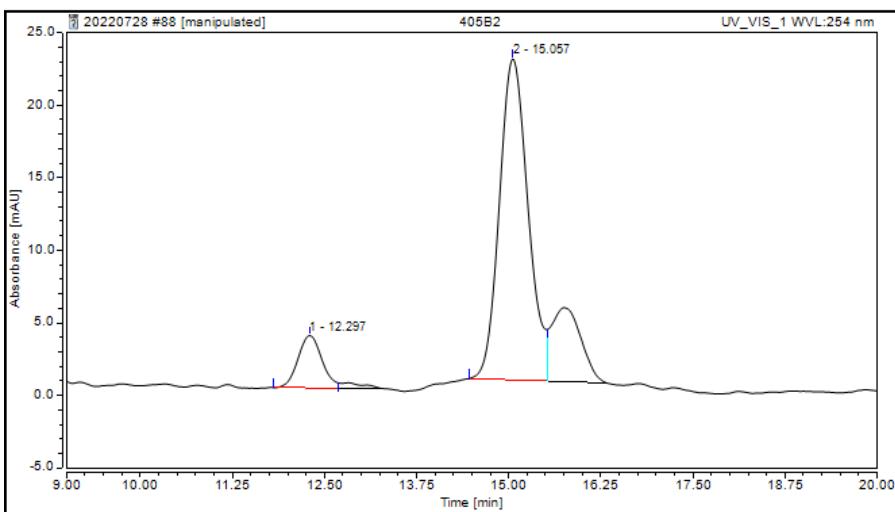
**(R)-N-(2-cyano-4-nitrophenyl)-2-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)propanamide (3am)**


 24.0 mg, 66% yield, pale yellow solid; M.p. 178.9 – 179.6 °C;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -0.015$  (c = 0.1 in CH<sub>3</sub>OH); **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.78 – 8.67 (m, 1H), 8.48 – 8.38 (m, 2H), 7.91 (s, 1H), 7.56 – 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.26 (s, 1H), 3.82 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 1.64 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H); **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 171.7, 145.0, 142.8, 139.1, 133.7, 132.7, 131.5, 129.6, 129.5, 127.8, 126.9, 120.4, 114.1, 101.9, 47.7, 18.1; **HRMS** (ESI) m/z calcd for [M + H]<sup>+</sup> C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>12</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: 364.0250; found: 364.0259; **HPLC** (Daicel Chiralpak IC column, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, 254 nm, 25 °C, retention time: t<sub>major</sub> = 15.057 min, t<sub>minor</sub> = 12.297 min, 88:12 e.r.).



**Integration Results**

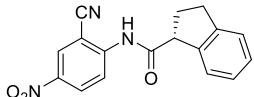
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1	12.117	23.369	58.745	50.41
2	14.850	22.993	49.728	49.59

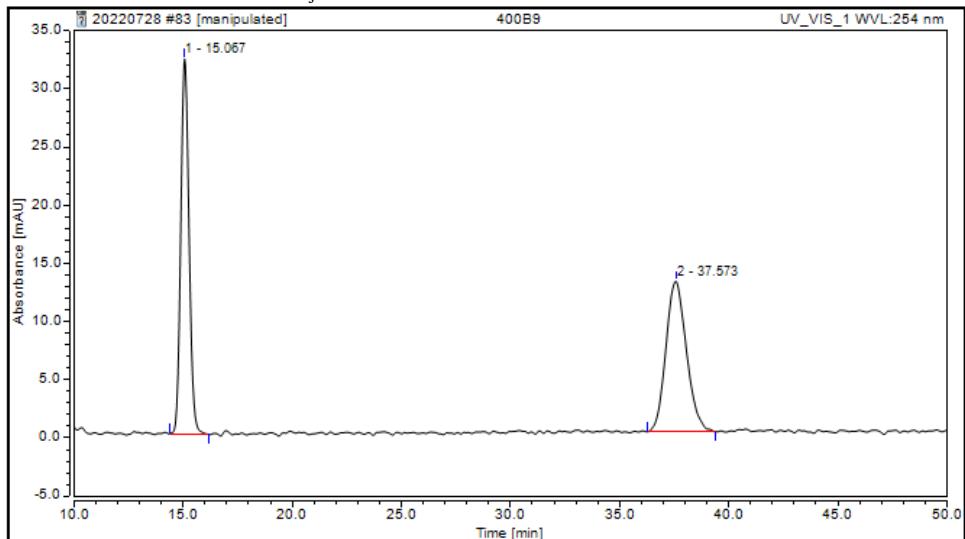


**Integration Results**

Peak Name	Retention Time min	Area mAU*min	Height mAU	Relative Area %
1	12.297	1.349	3.605	11.92
2	15.057	9.964	22.132	88.08

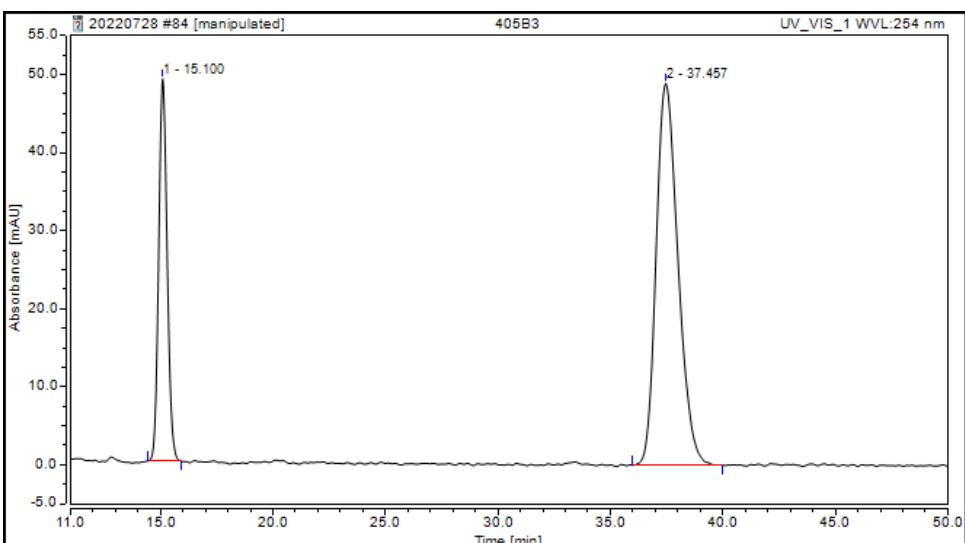
**(R)-N-(2-cyano-4-nitrophenyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-indene-1-carboxamide (3an)**


 18.4 mg, 60% yield, pale yellow solid; M.p. 152.8 – 153.5 °C;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -0.017$  ( $c = 0.1$  in  $\text{CH}_3\text{OH}$ );  $^1\text{H NMR}$  (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.85 – 8.71 (m, 1H), 8.53 – 8.28 (m, 2H), 8.08 (s, 1H), 7.49 – 7.28 (m, 4H), 4.26 – 4.16 (m, 1H), 3.24 – 3.13 (m, 1H), 3.09 – 2.98 (m, 1H), 2.67 – 2.47 (m, 2H);  $^{13}\text{C NMR}$  (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  172.8, 145.4, 144.8, 142.7, 139.0, 129.4, 128.9, 127.9, 127.6, 125.8, 124.9, 120.4, 114.0, 101.8, 53.7, 31.6, 30.5; **HRMS** (ESI)  $m/z$  calcd for  $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$   $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{14}\text{N}_3\text{O}_3$ : 308.1030; found: 308.1036; **HPLC** (Daicel Chiralpak IC column, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 80/20, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, 254 nm, 25 °C, retention time:  $t_{\text{major}} = 37.457$  min,  $t_{\text{minor}} = 15.100$  min, 72:28 e.r.).



**Integration Results**

Peak Name	Retention Time min	Area $\text{mAU}^*\text{min}$	Height $\text{mAU}$	Relative Area %
1	15.067	14.133	32.241	49.92
2	37.573	14.176	12.955	50.08

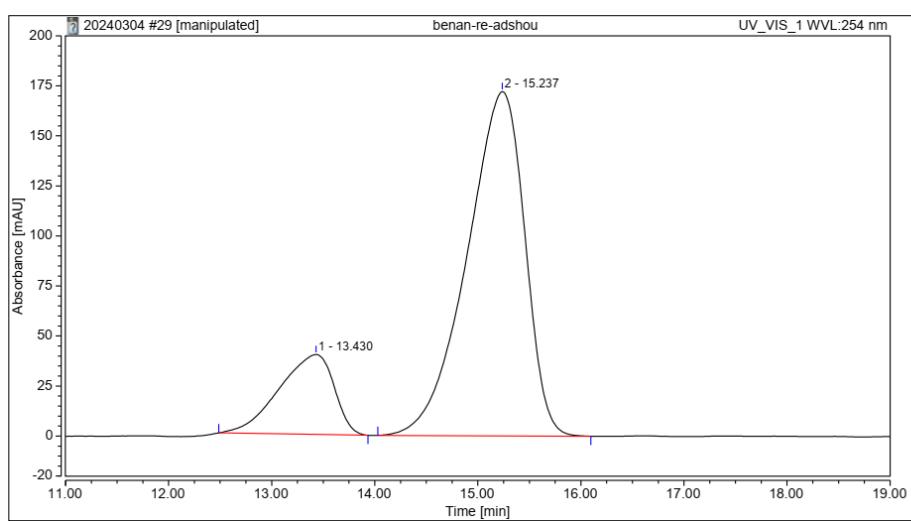
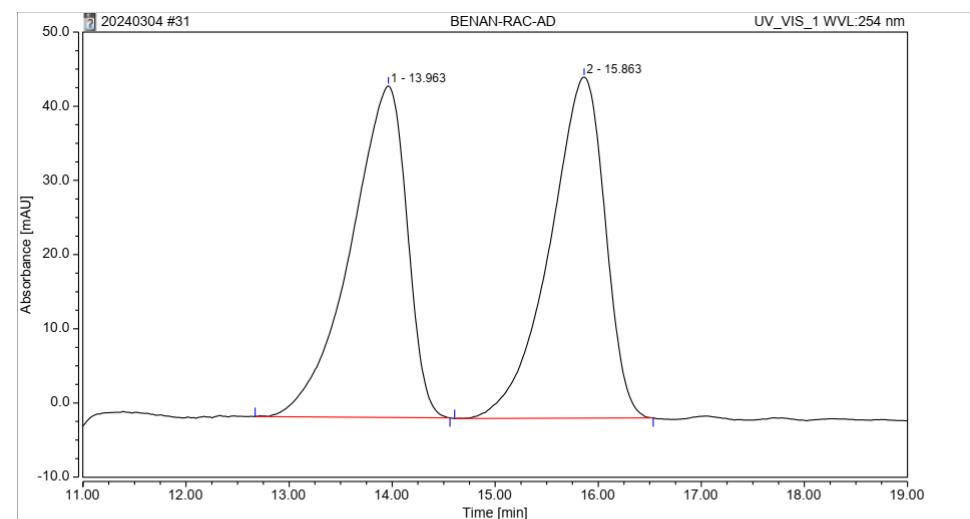


**Integration Results**

Peak Name	Retention Time min	Area $\text{mAU}^*\text{min}$	Height $\text{mAU}$	Relative Area %
1	15.100	21.300	48.935	27.95
2	37.457	54.903	48.887	72.05

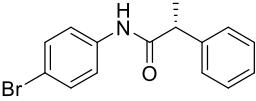
**(R)-N,2-diphenylpropanamide (3ba)<sup>4</sup>**

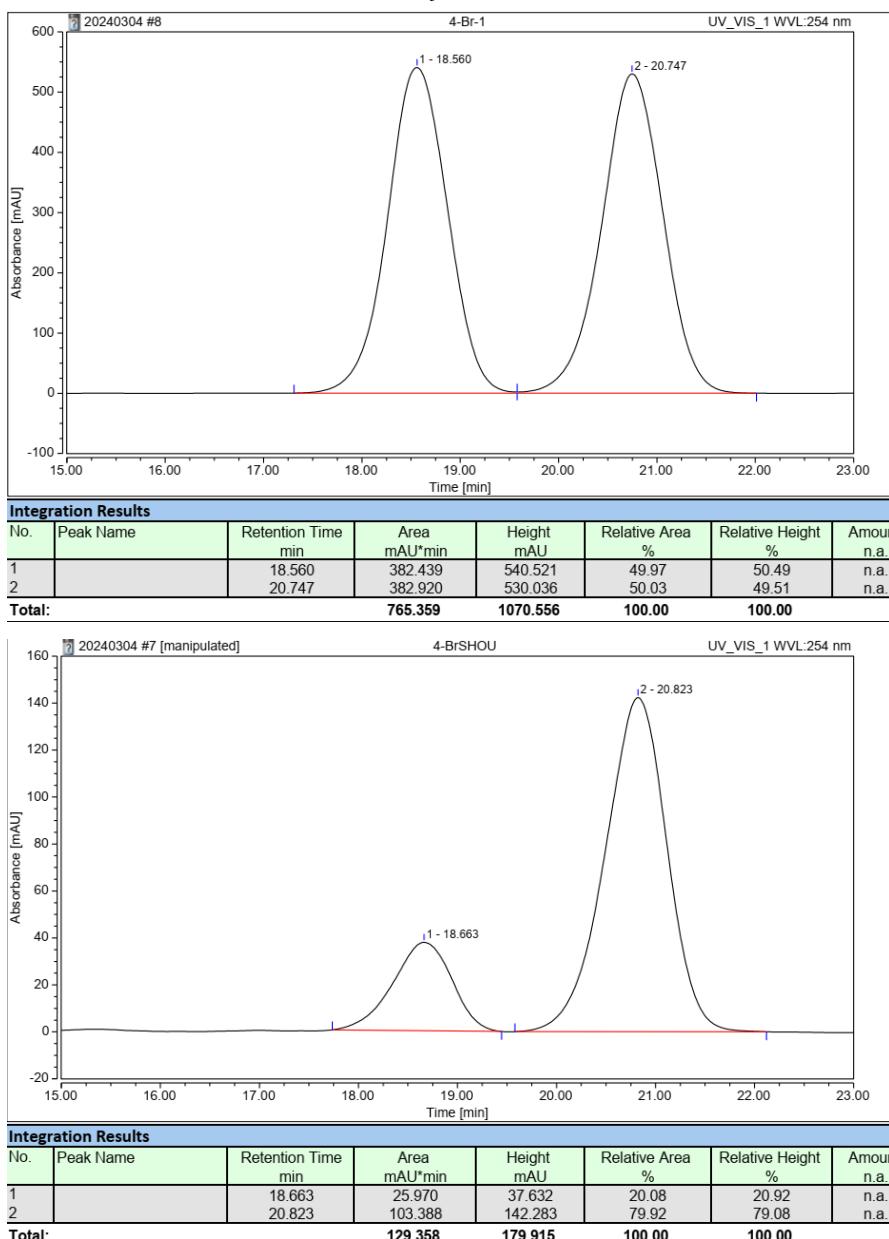
21.4 mg, 95% yield, white solid; M.p. 126.8 – 127.5 °C;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -0.137$  ( $c = 0.1$  in CH<sub>3</sub>OH); **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.45 – 7.22 (m, 9H), 7.14 – 7.01 (m, 2H), 3.71 (q,  $J = 7.1$  Hz, 1H), 1.60 (d,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 3H); **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  172.3, 140.9, 137.8, 129.1, 128.9, 127.7, 127.6, 124.2, 119.7, 48.1, 18.5; **HRMS** (ESI) m/z calcd for [M+H]<sup>+</sup> C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>16</sub>NO: 226.1226; found: 226.1223; **HPLC** (Daicel Chiralpak AD-H column, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm, 25 °C, retention time: t<sub>major</sub> = 15.237 min, t<sub>minor</sub> = 13.430 min, 82:18 e.r.).



Integration Results							
No.	Peak Name	Retention Time min	Area mAU*min	Height mAU	Relative Area %	Relative Height %	Amount n.a.
1		13.430	24.665	39.925	18.12	18.83	n.a.
2		15.237	111.442	172.081	81.88	81.17	n.a.
Total:			136.107	212.006	100.00	100.00	

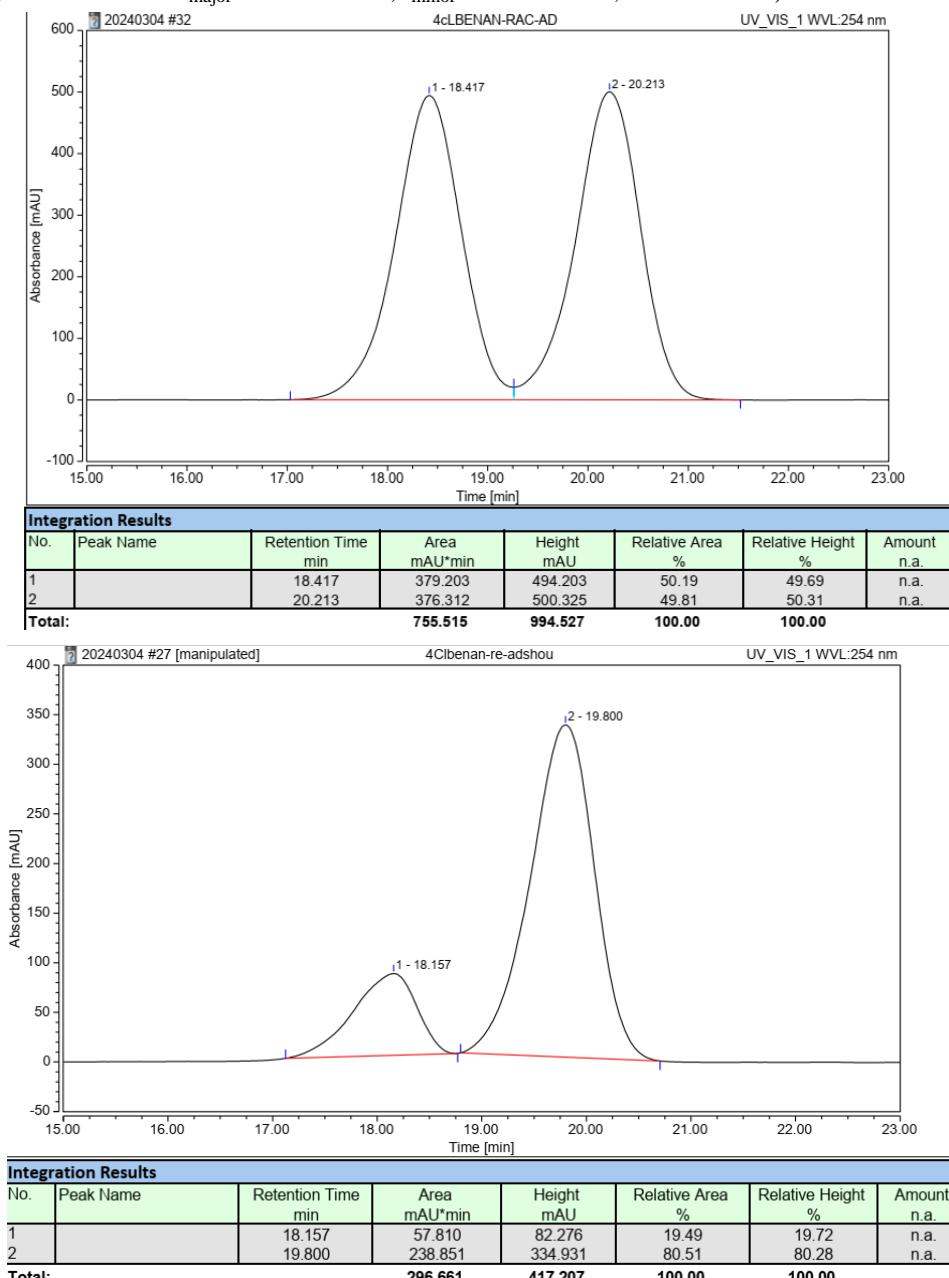
**(R)-N-(4-bromophenyl)-2-phenylpropanamide (3ca)<sup>4</sup>**


 26.5 mg, 87% yield, white solid; M.p. 110.1 – 110.9 °C;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -0.064$  (c = 0.1 in CH<sub>3</sub>OH); **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.44 – 7.27 (m, 9H), 7.16 (s, 1H), 3.70 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 1.58 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H); **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 172.3, 140.6, 136.9, 131.8, 129.2, 127.6, 121.2, 116.7, 116.7, 48.1, 18.5; **HRMS** (ESI) m/z calcd for [M+H]<sup>+</sup> C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>15</sub>BrNO: 304.0332; found: 304.0331; **HPLC** (Daicel Chiralpak AD-H column, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm, 25 °C, retention time: t<sub>major</sub> = 20.832 min, t<sub>minor</sub> = 18.663 min, 80:20 e.r.).



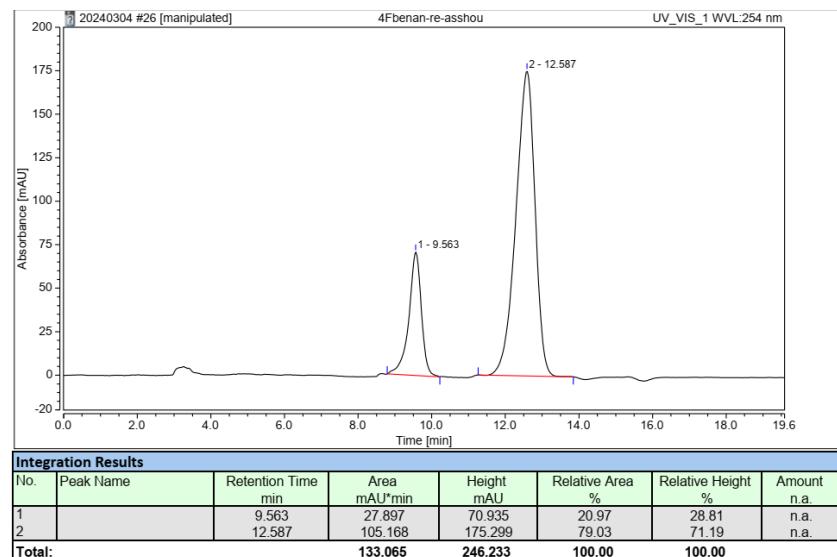
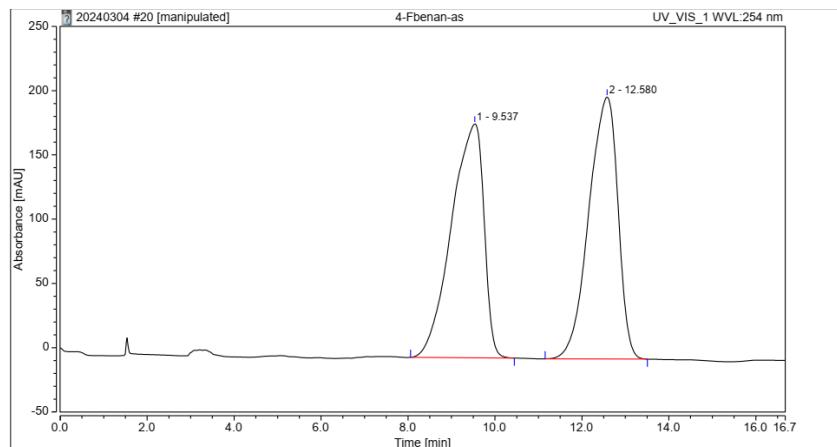
**(R)-N-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-phenylpropanamide (3da)<sup>4</sup>**

23.4 mg, 90% yield, white solid; M.p. 101.3 – 102.0 °C;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -0.131$  (c = 0.1 in CH<sub>3</sub>OH); **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.41 – 7.06 (m, 10H), 3.70 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 1.58 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H); **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 172.5, 140.6, 136.4, 129.1, 129.1, 128.8, 127.6, 121.1, 47.9, 18.5; **HRMS** (ESI) m/z calcd for [M+H]<sup>+</sup> C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>15</sub>ClNO: 260.0837; found: 260.0834; **HPLC** (Daicel Chiralpak AD-H column, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm, 25 °C, retention time: t<sub>major</sub> = 19.800 min, t<sub>minor</sub> = 18.157 min, 80.5:19.5 e.r.).



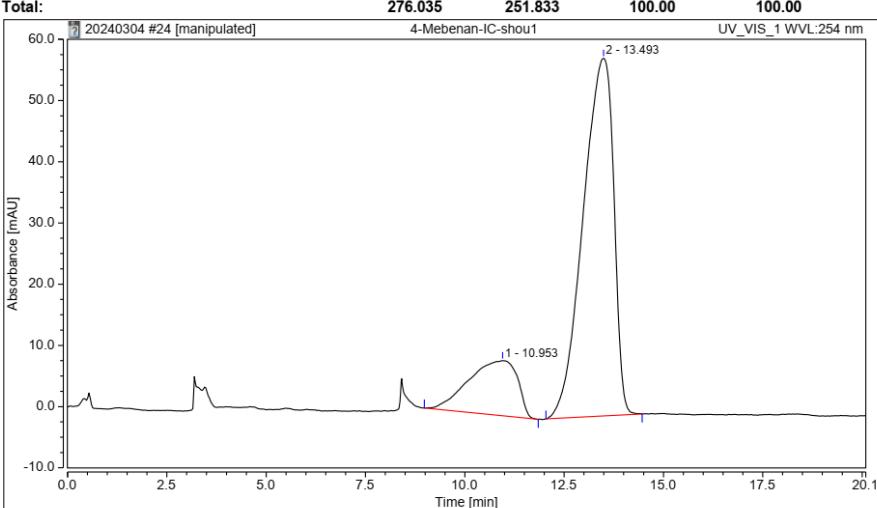
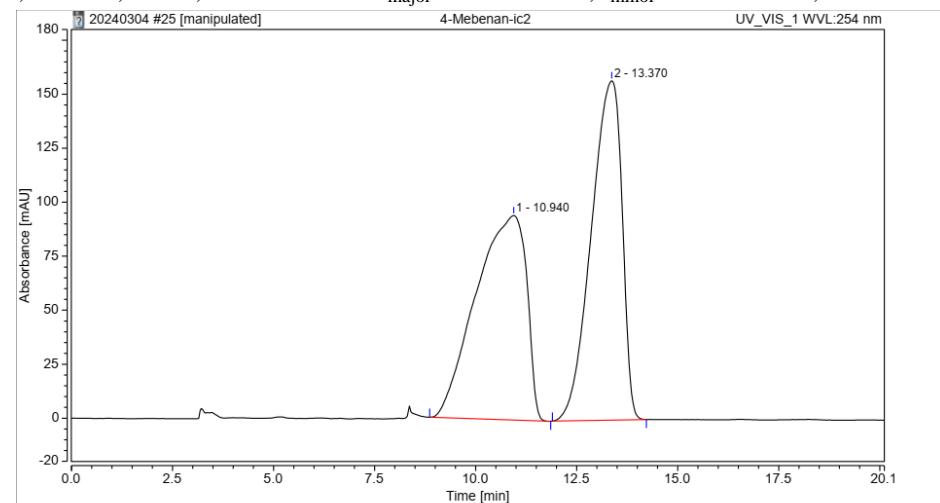
**(R)-N-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-phenylpropanamide (3ea)<sup>4</sup>**

21.4 mg, 88% yield, white solid; M.p. 92.8 – 93.7 °C;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -0.120$  ( $c = 0.1$  in CH<sub>3</sub>OH); **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.47 – 7.26 (m, 8H), 6.93 (t,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 2H), 3.70 (q,  $J = 7.1$  Hz, 1H), 1.57 (d,  $J = 7.1$  Hz, 3H); **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  172.5, 159.3 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 243.1$  Hz), 140.8, 133.8 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 3.2$  Hz), 129.1, 127.6, 127.5, 121.7 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 8.1$  Hz), 115.4 (d,  $J_{C-F} = 22.4$  Hz), 47.8, 18.5; **<sup>19</sup>F NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  -118.0; **HRMS** (ESI) m/z calcd for [M + H]<sup>+</sup> C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>15</sub>FNO: 244.1132; found: 244.1130; **HPLC** (Daicel Chiraldak AS-H column, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm, 25 °C, retention time: t<sub>major</sub> = 12.587 min, t<sub>minor</sub> = 9.563 min, 79:21 e.r.).



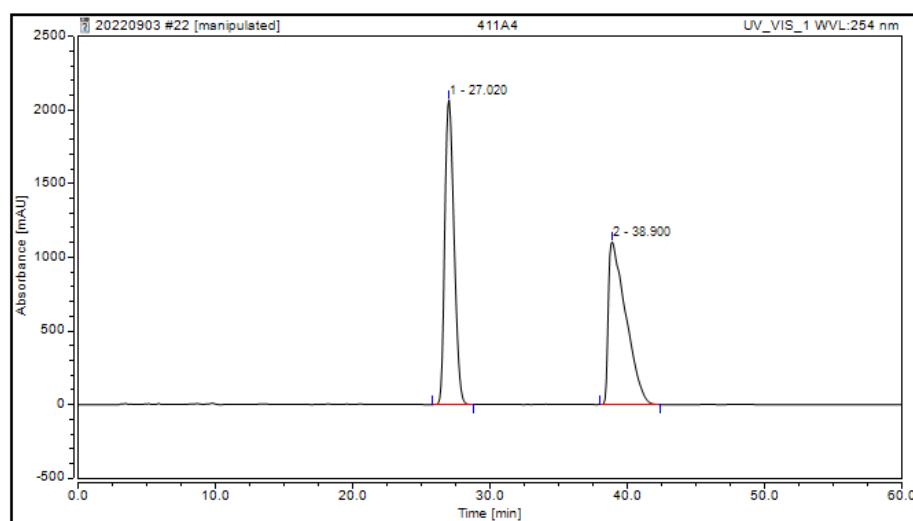
**(R)-2-phenyl-N-(p-tolyl)propanamide (3fa)<sup>4</sup>**

22.0 mg, 92% yield, white solid; M.p. 116.4 – 118.2 °C;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -0.186$  ( $c = 0.1$  in CH<sub>3</sub>OH); **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.41 – 7.14 (m, 8H), 7.05 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H), 3.69 (q,  $J = 7.2, 6.6$  Hz, 1H), 2.27 (s, 3H), 1.57 (d,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 3H); **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  172.2, 141.0, 135.3, 133.8, 129.3, 129.0, 127.6, 127.4, 119.8, 47.9, 20.8, 18.5; **HRMS** (ESI) m/z calcd for [M+H]<sup>+</sup> C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>18</sub>NO: 240.1383; found: 240.1390; **HPLC** (Daicel Chiralpak IC-H column, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm, 25 °C, retention time: t<sub>major</sub> = 13.493 min, t<sub>minor</sub> = 10.953 min, 80.5:19.5 e.r.).



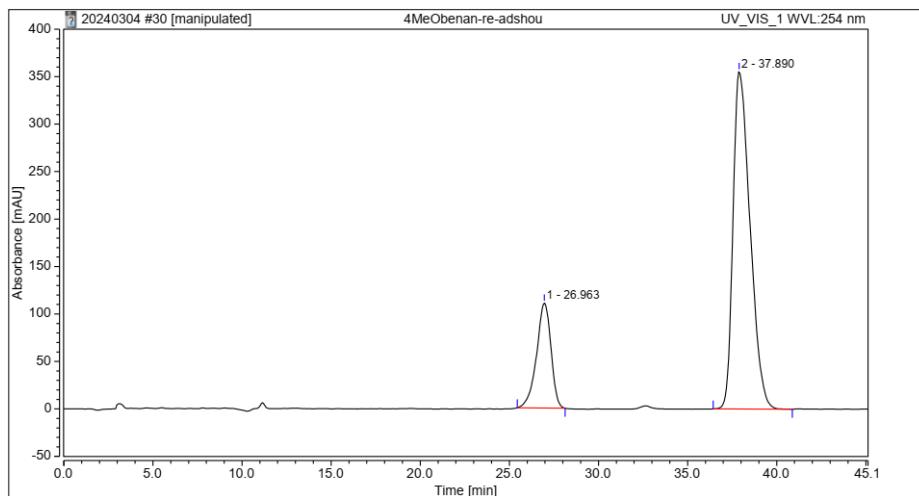
**(R)-N-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-phenylpropanamide (3ga)<sup>4</sup>**

22.7 mg, 89% yield, white solid; M.p. 133.2 – 133.8 °C;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -0.194$  (c = 0.1 in CH<sub>3</sub>OH); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.42 – 7.26 (m, 7H), 7.08 (s, 1H), 6.84 – 6.72 (m, 2H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 3.69 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 1.58 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 172.2, 156.3, 141.1, 130.9, 129.1, 127.7, 127.5, 121.6, 114.0, 55.4, 47.8, 18.6; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for [M+H]<sup>+</sup> C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>18</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>: 256.1332; found: 256.1324; HPLC (Daicel Chiralpak AD-H column, n-hexane/i-PrOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm, 25 °C, retention time: t<sub>major</sub> = 37.890 min, t<sub>minor</sub> = 26.963 min, 79:21 e.r.).



**Integration Results**

Peak Name	Retention Time min	Area mAU*min	Height mAU	Relative Area %
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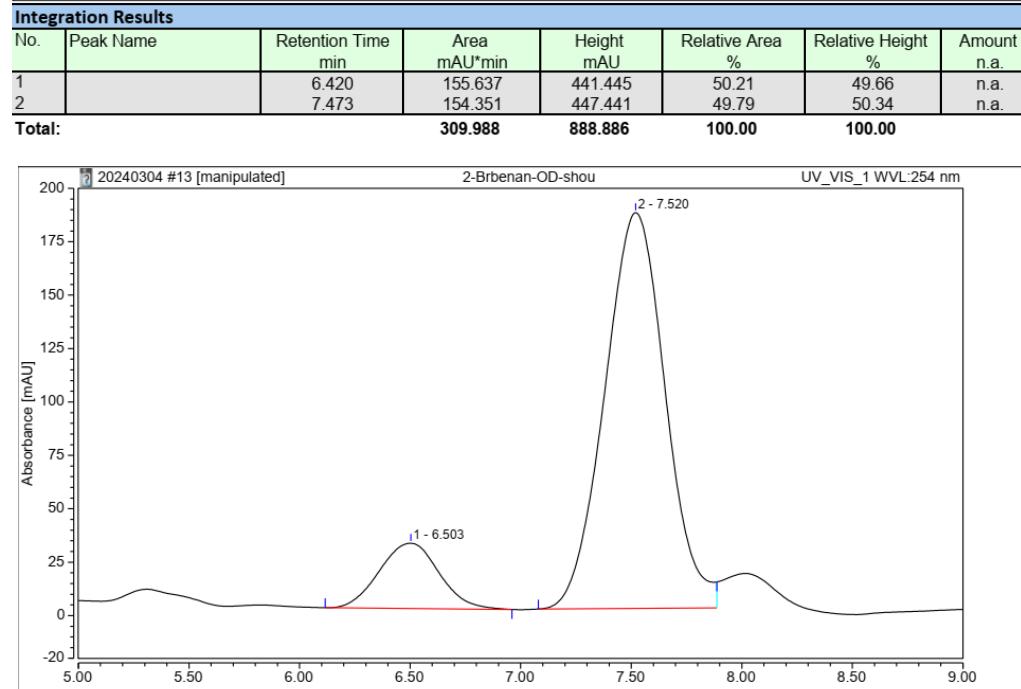
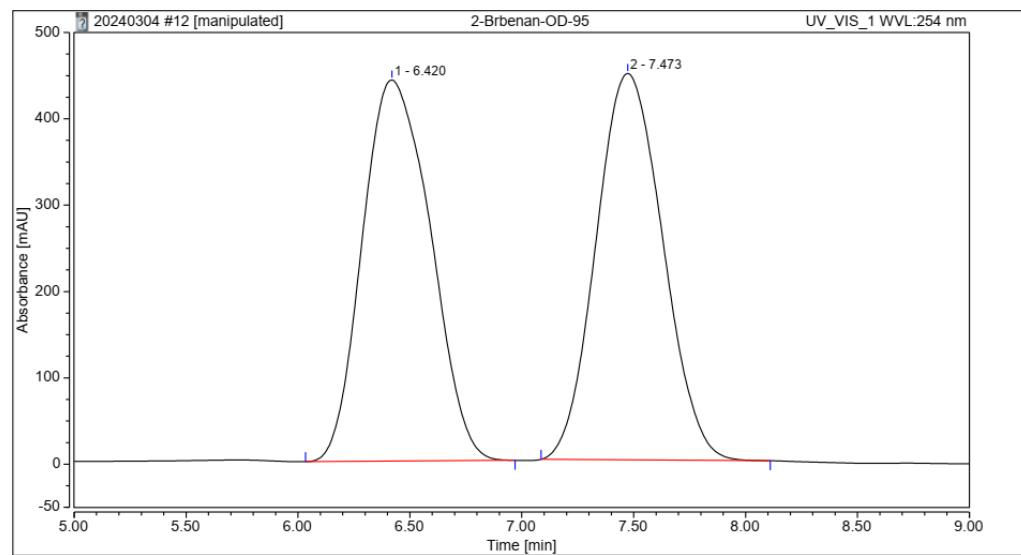


**Integration Results**

No.	Peak Name	Retention Time min	Area mAU*min	Height mAU	Relative Area %	Relative Height %	Amount n.a.
1		26.963	103.524	110.707	20.79	23.74	n.a.
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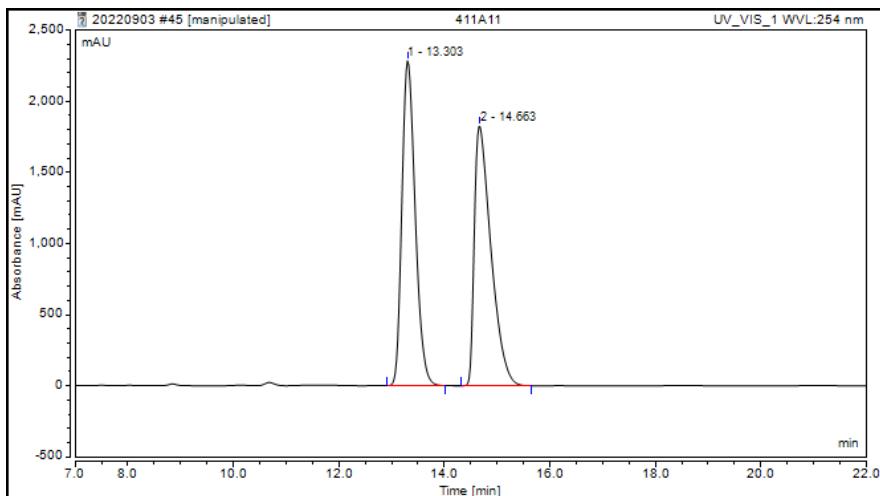
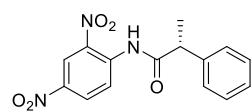
**(R)-N-(2-bromophenyl)-2-phenylpropanamide (3ha)<sup>5</sup>**

24.9 mg, 82% yield, white solid; M.p. 83.3 – 84.6 °C;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -0.077$  ( $c = 0.1$  in CH<sub>3</sub>OH); **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.35 (d,  $J = 8.3$  Hz, 1H), 7.61 (s, 1H), 7.45 – 7.19 (m, 8H), 6.91 (t,  $J = 7.7$  Hz, 1H), 3.79 (q,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 1H), 1.65 (d,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 3H); **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  172.4, 140.2, 135.6, 132.1, 129.3, 128.3, 127.9, 127.8, 125.0, 121.3, 113.1, 48.4, 17.9; **HRMS** (ESI) m/z calcd for [M+H]<sup>+</sup> C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>15</sub>BrNO: 304.0332; found: 304.0340; **HPLC** (Daicel Chiralpak OD-H column, n-hexane/i-PrOH = 95/5, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm, 25 °C, retention time: t<sub>minor</sub> = 6.503 min, t<sub>major</sub> = 7.520 min, 86:14 e.r.).



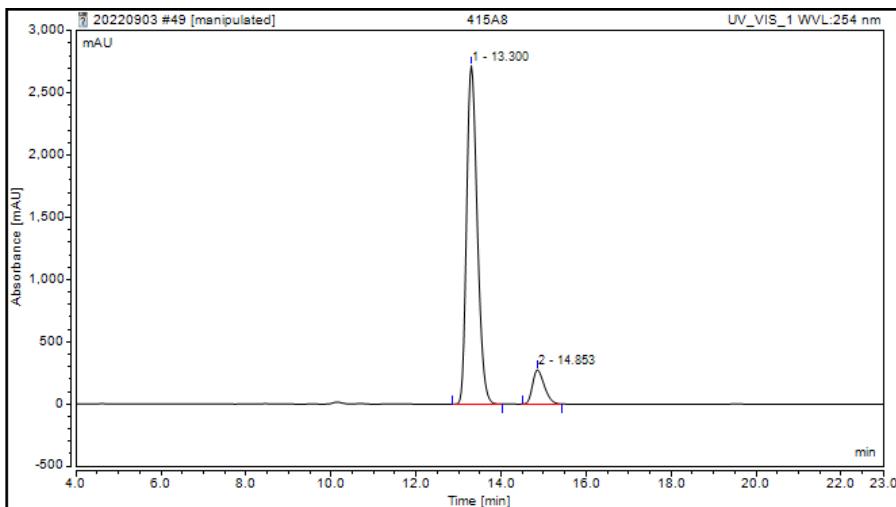
**(R)-N-(2,4-dinitrophenyl)-2-phenylpropanamide (3ia)**

27.7 mg, 88% yield, white solid; M.p. 129.0 – 129.7 °C;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -0.129$  (c = 0.1 in CH<sub>3</sub>OH); **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 10.58 (s, 1H), 9.21 – 8.94 (m, 2H), 8.55 – 8.33 (m, 1H), 7.52 – 7.30 (m, 5H), 3.88 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 1.66 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H); **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 173.7, 141.5, 139.9, 138.9, 134.7, 130.1, 129.5, 128.3, 127.8, 122.0, 121.9(7), 49.3, 17.7; **HRMS** (ESI) m/z calcd for [M+H]<sup>+</sup> C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>14</sub>ClN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>5</sub>: 316.0928; found: 316.0933; **HPLC** (Daicel Chiralpak AD-H column, n-hexane/i-PrOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm, 25 °C, retention time: t<sub>major</sub> = 13.300 min, t<sub>minor</sub> = 14.853 min, 90:10 e.r.).



**Integration Results**

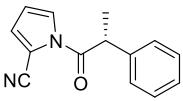
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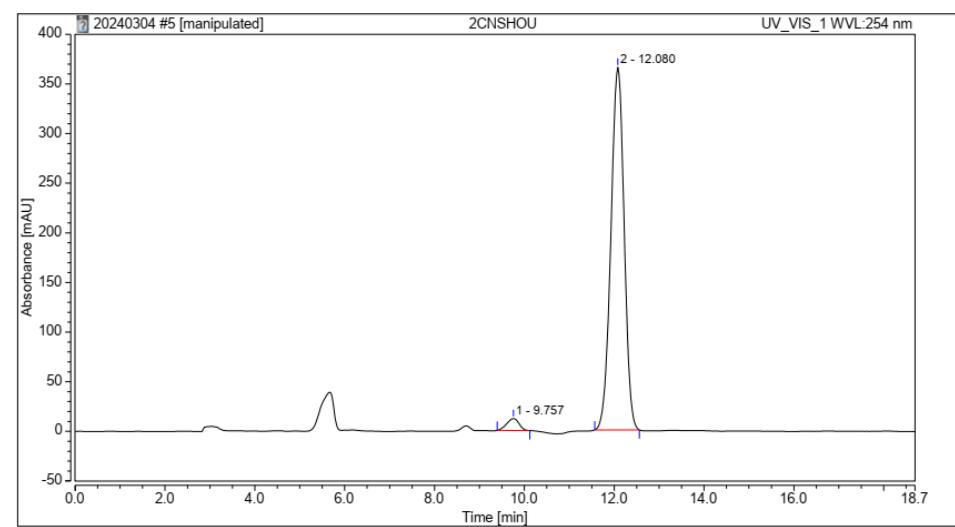
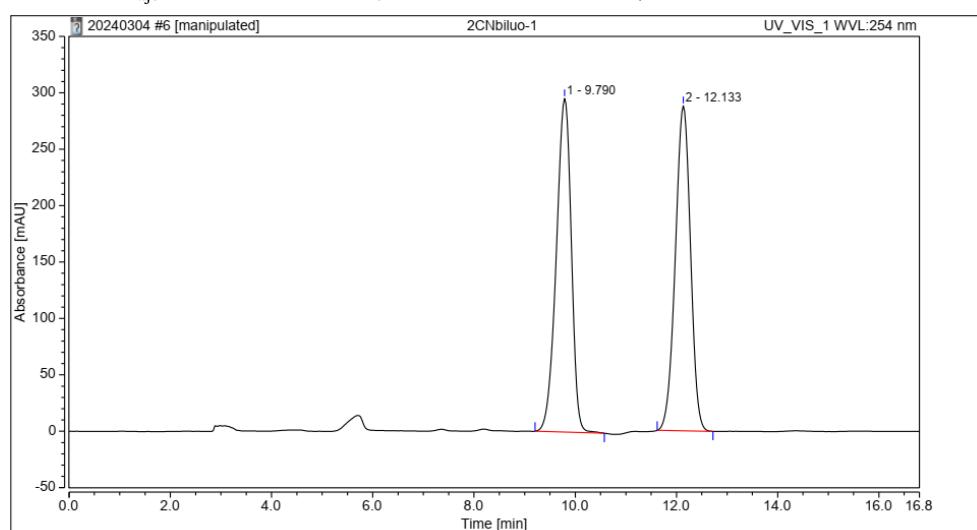


**Integration Results**

Peak Name	Retention Time min	Area mAU*min	Height mAU	Relative Area %
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2	14.853	87.829	274.554	10.03

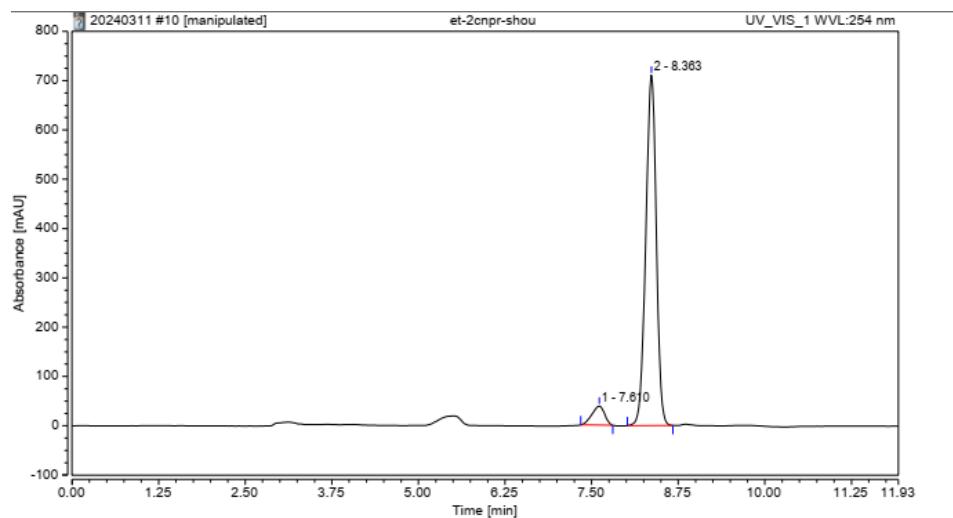
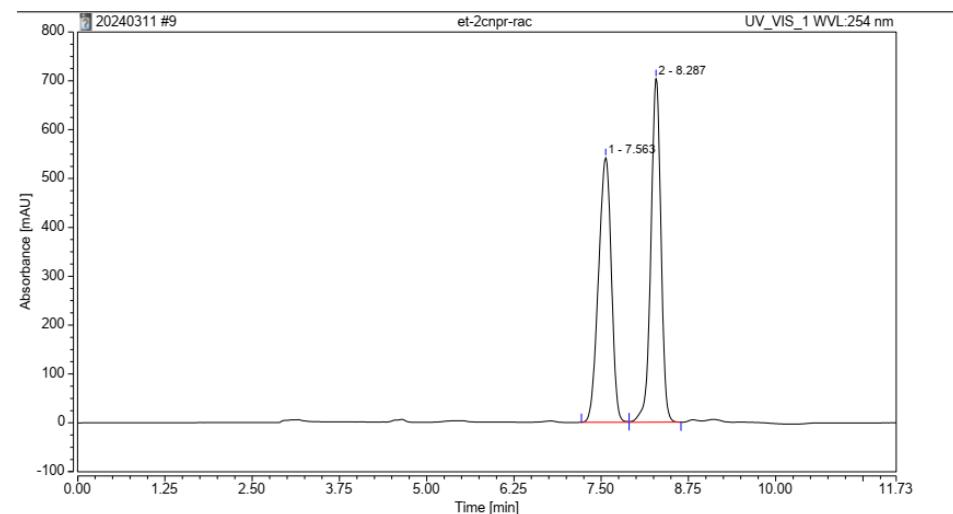
**(R)-1-(2-phenylpropanoyl)-1*H*-pyrrole-2-carbonitrile (3ja)<sup>3</sup>**


 21.3 mg, 95% yield, white solid; M.p. 75.6 – 76.7 °C;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -10.340$  ( $c = 0.5$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ );  $^1\text{H NMR}$  (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.38–7.26 (m, 6H), 6.96 (s, 1H), 6.23 (s, 1H), 4.42 (q,  $J = 6.8$  Hz, 1H), 1.63 (d,  $J = 6.9$  Hz, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C NMR}$  (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  170.5, 139.3, 129.4, 127.8, 127.1, 126.4, 124.7, 113.2, 113.0, 103.6, 45.8, 20.1; **HRMS** (ESI) m/z calcd for  $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$   $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{12}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}$ : 247.0842; found: 247.0833; **HPLC** (Daicel Chiralpak AD-H column, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm, 25 °C, retention time:  $t_{\text{major}} = 12.080$  min,  $t_{\text{minor}} = 9.757$  min, 97:3 e.r.).



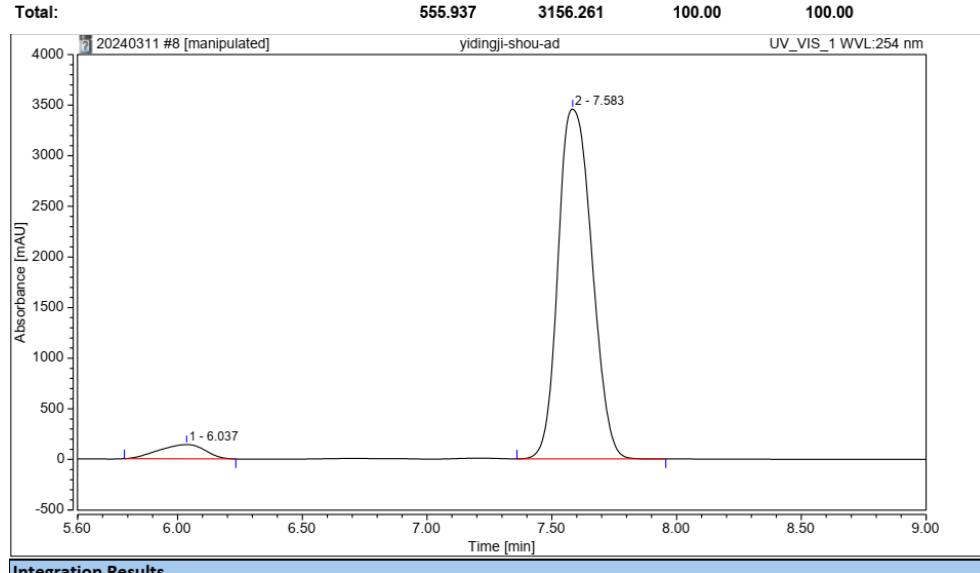
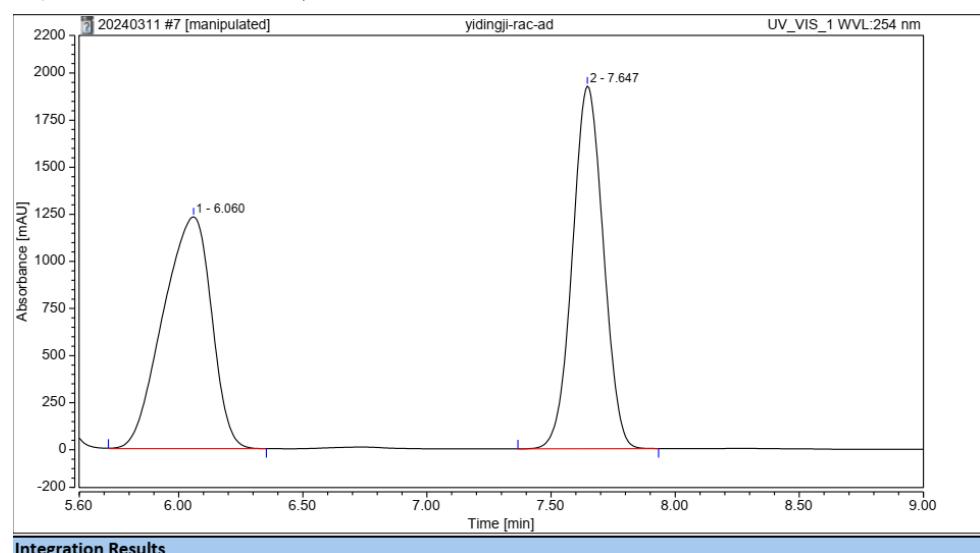
**(R)-1-(2-phenylbutanoyl)-1*H*-pyrrole-2-carbonitrile (3jo)<sup>3</sup>**

21.2 mg, 89% yield, white solid, M.p. 85.7–87.3 °C;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -3.628$  ( $c = 0.2$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ );  $^1\text{H NMR}$  (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.43 – 7.18 (m, 6H), 6.96 (s, 1H), 6.25 (q,  $J = 3.0$  Hz, 1H), 4.13 (t,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 1H), 2.30–2.21 (m, 1H), 1.98–1.87 (m, 1H), 0.96 (t,  $J = 7.3$  Hz, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C NMR}$  (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  170.0, 137.5, 129.3, 128.0, 127.7, 126.5, 124.6, 113.2, 112.9, 103.6, 53.1, 27.7, 11.9; **HRMS** (ESI) m/z calcd for  $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$   $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{14}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}$ : 261.0998; found: 261.0991; **HPLC** (Daicel Chiralpak AD-H column, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm, 25 °C, retention time:  $t_{\text{major}} = 8.363$  min,  $t_{\text{minor}} = 7.610$  min, 94:6 e.r.).



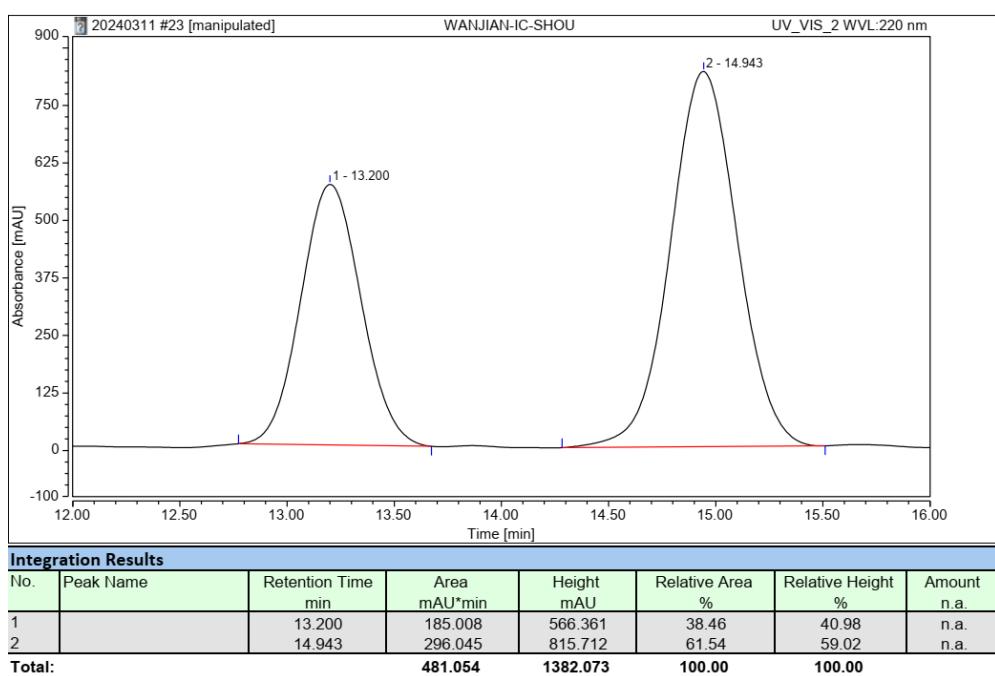
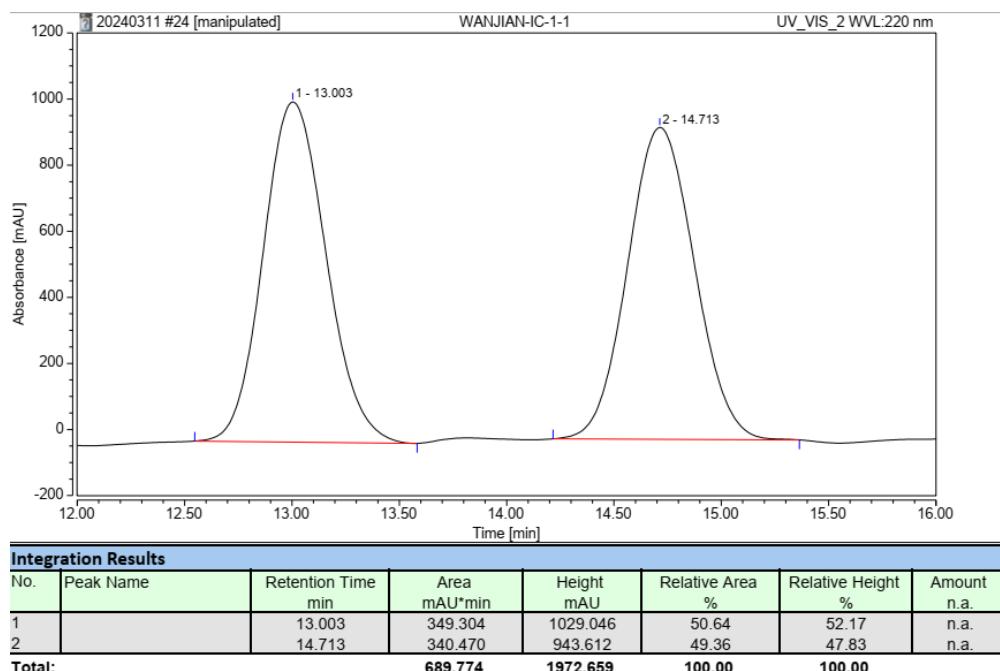
**(R)-1-(2-(4-isobutylphenyl)propanoyl)-1*H*-pyrrole-2-carbonitrile (3jp)**

25.2 mg, 90% yield, white solid, M.p. 85.7-87.3 °C;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -1.891$  ( $c = 0.1$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ );  $^1\text{H NMR}$  (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.33 (s, 1H), 7.20 (d,  $J = 8.2$  Hz, 2H), 7.12 (d,  $J = 8.2$  Hz, 2H), 6.95 (s, 1H), 6.23 (s, 1H), 4.37 (q,  $J = 6.9$  Hz, 1H), 2.44 (d,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 2H), 1.88-1.78 (m, 1H), 1.61 (d,  $J = 6.8$  Hz, 3H), 0.88 (d,  $J = 6.7$  Hz, 6H);  $^{13}\text{C NMR}$  (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  170.6, 141.4, 136.5, 130.1, 126.8, 126.3, 124.8, 113.2, 112.9, 103.6, 45.4, 44.9, 30.1, 22.3, 20.1;  $\text{HRMS}$  (ESI)  $m/z$  calcd for  $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$   $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}$ : 303.1468; found: 303.1460; **HPLC** (Daicel Chiralpak AD-H column, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm, 25 °C, retention time:  $t_{\text{major}} = 7.583$  min,  $t_{\text{minor}} = 6.037$  min, 95:5 e.r.).



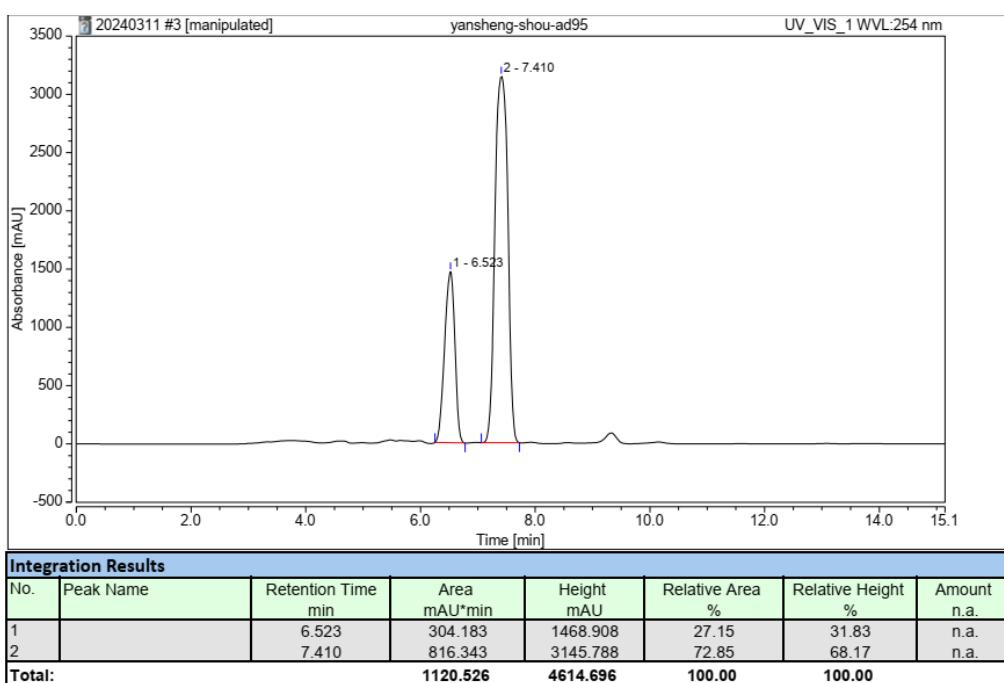
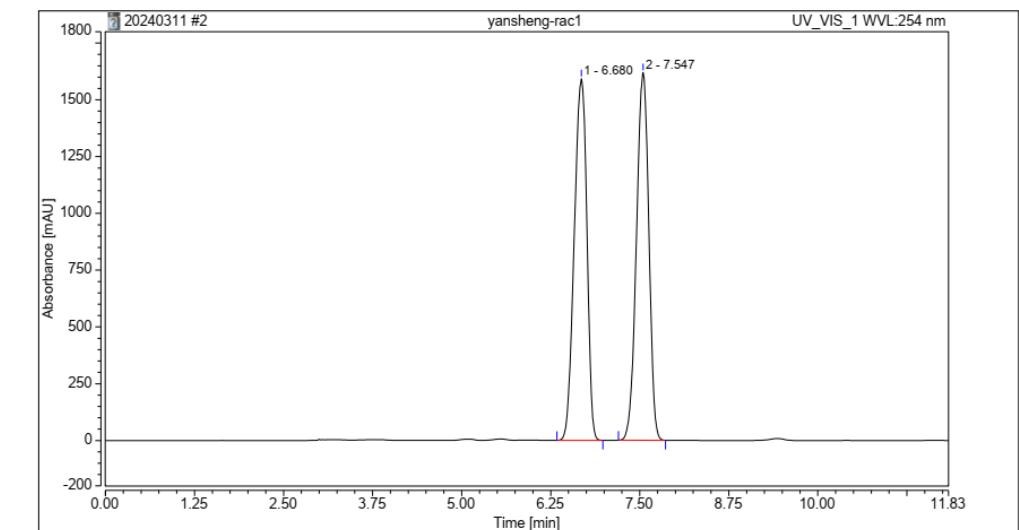
**(R)-2-phenyl-1-thiomorpholinopropan-1-one (3ka)**

21.6 mg, 92% yield, colorless oil,  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -0.073$  (c = 0.1 in CHCl<sub>3</sub>); **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.36-7.29 (m, 2H), 7.28-7.19 (m, 3H), 4.38-4.16 (m, 1H), 3.83 (q, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 3.79-3.69 (m, 1H), 3.64-3.41 (m, 2H), 2.63-2.44 (m, 2H), 2.27-2.18 (m, 1H), 1.94-1.84 (m, 1H), 1.44 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H); **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  171.9, 141.8, 129.0, 127.2, 126.9, 48.1, 44.6, 43.5, 27.2, 27.0, 20.8; **HRMS** (ESI) m/z calcd for [M+H]<sup>+</sup> C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>18</sub>NOS: 235.3450; found: 235.3456; **HPLC** (Daicel Chiralpak IC-H column, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm, 25 °C, retention time: t<sub>major</sub> = 14.943 min, t<sub>minor</sub> = 13.200 min, 61.5:38.5 e.r.).



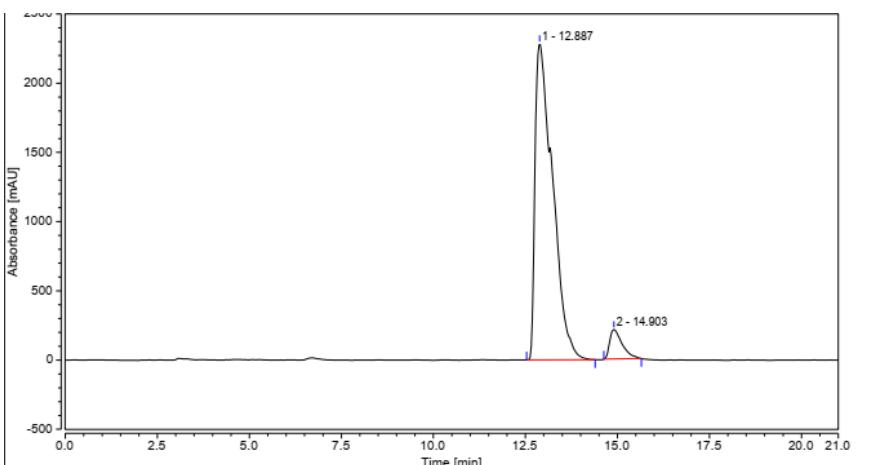
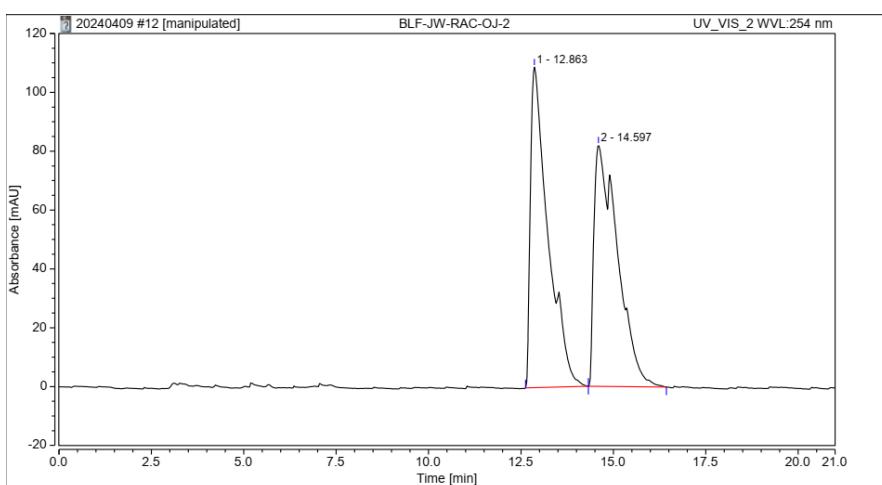
**(R)-4-bromo-N-(2-phenylpropyl)aniline (4)**

27.0 mg, 93% yield, colorless oil;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = 0.113$  ( $c = 0.2$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ );  **$^1\text{H}$  NMR** (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.33 (t,  $J = 7.4$  Hz, 2H), 7.28-7.19 (m, 5H), 6.43 (d,  $J = 8.3$  Hz, 2H), 3.59 (s, 1H), 3.33-3.28 (m, 1H), 3.22-3.17 (m, 1H), 3.08-3.01 (m, 1H), 1.33 (d,  $J = 6.9$  Hz, 1H);  **$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR** (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  147.0, 144.2, 131.9, 128.7, 127.2, 126.7, 114.5, 108.8, 50.8, 39.1, 19.7; **HRMS** (ESI)  $m/z$  calcd for  $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$   $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{17}\text{BrN}$ : 290.0539; found: 290.0533; **HPLC** (Daicel Chiraldak AD-H column,  $n$ -hexane/ $i$ -PrOH = 95/5, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm, 25 °C, retention time:  $t_{\text{major}} = 7.410$  min,  $t_{\text{minor}} = 6.523$  min, 73:27 e.r.).



**(R)-2-(4-isobutylphenyl)propanoic acid (5)<sup>6</sup>**

17.5 mg, 85% yield, white solid;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -23.597$  ( $c = 0.5$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ); **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  11.40 (s, 1H), 7.21 (d,  $J = 7.7$  Hz, 2H), 7.08 (d,  $J = 7.7$  Hz, 2H), 3.69 (q,  $J = 7.3$  Hz, 1H), 2.43 (d,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 2H), 1.88-1.78 (m, 1H), 1.48 (d,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 3H), 0.89 (d,  $J = 6.5$  Hz, 6H); **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  181.3, 140.8, 137.0, 129.3, 127.3, 45.01, 44.99, 30.1, 22.4, 18.0; **HPLC** (Daicel Chiralpak OJ-H column, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 95/5, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm, 25 °C, retention time:  $t_{\text{major}} = 12.887$  min,  $t_{\text{minor}} = 14.903$  min, 94:6 e.r.).

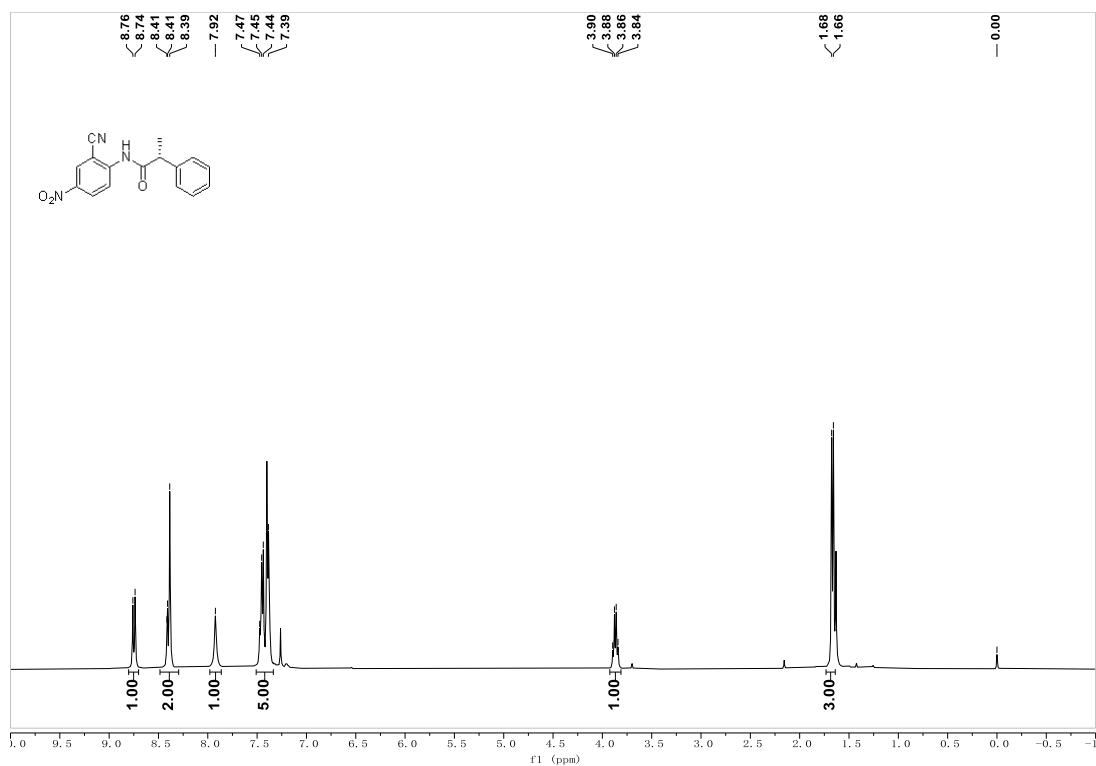


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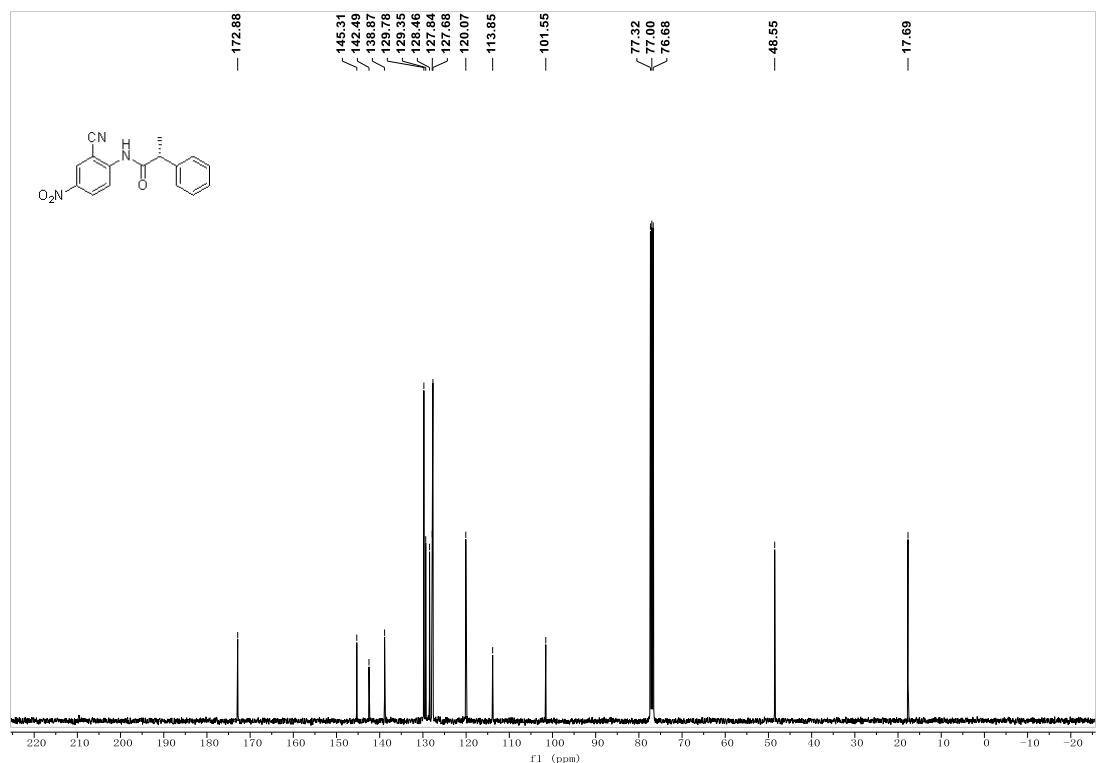
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## 5. NMR Spectra

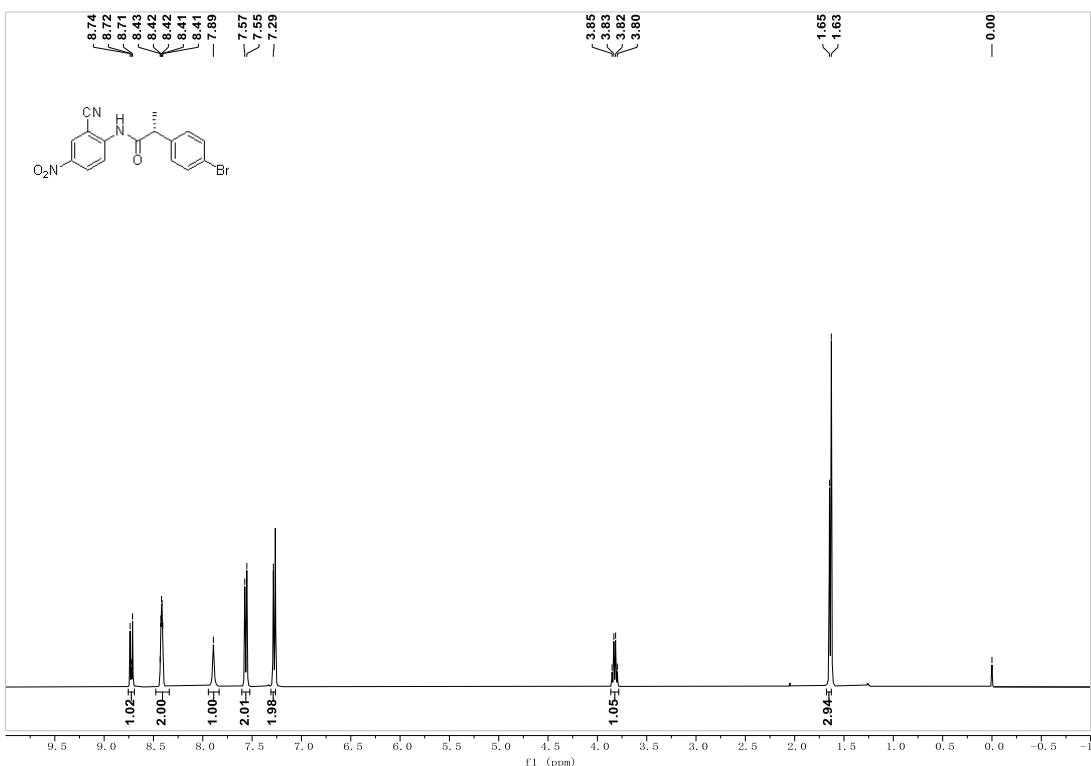
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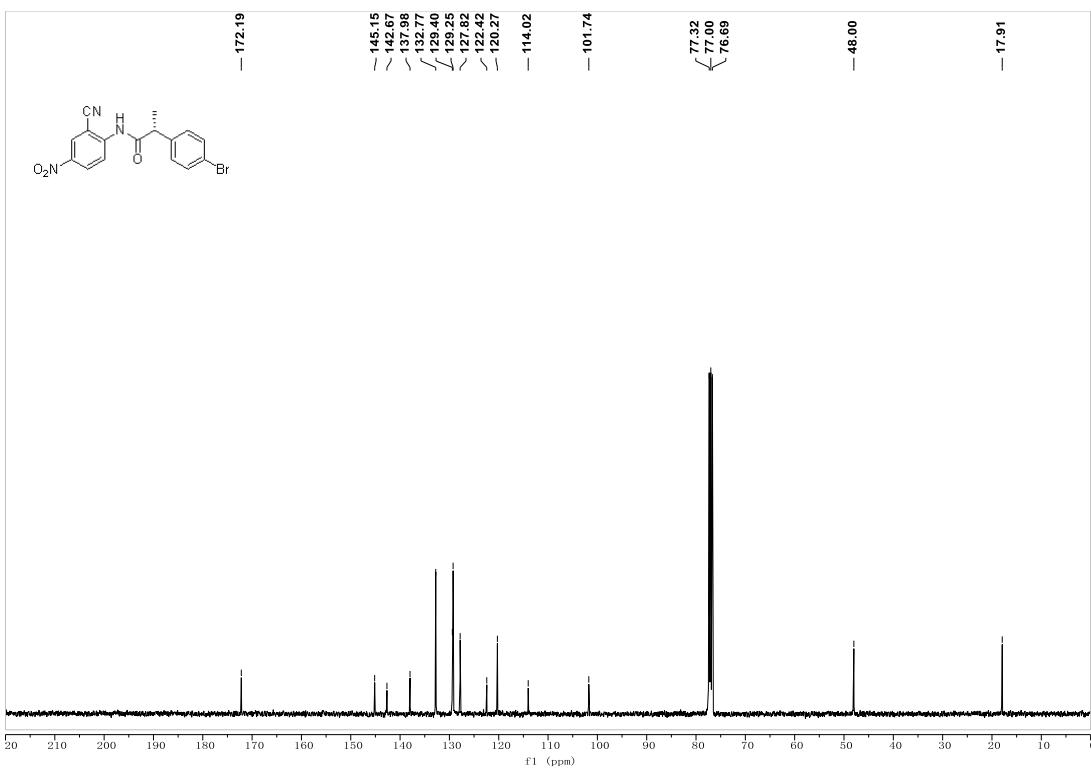
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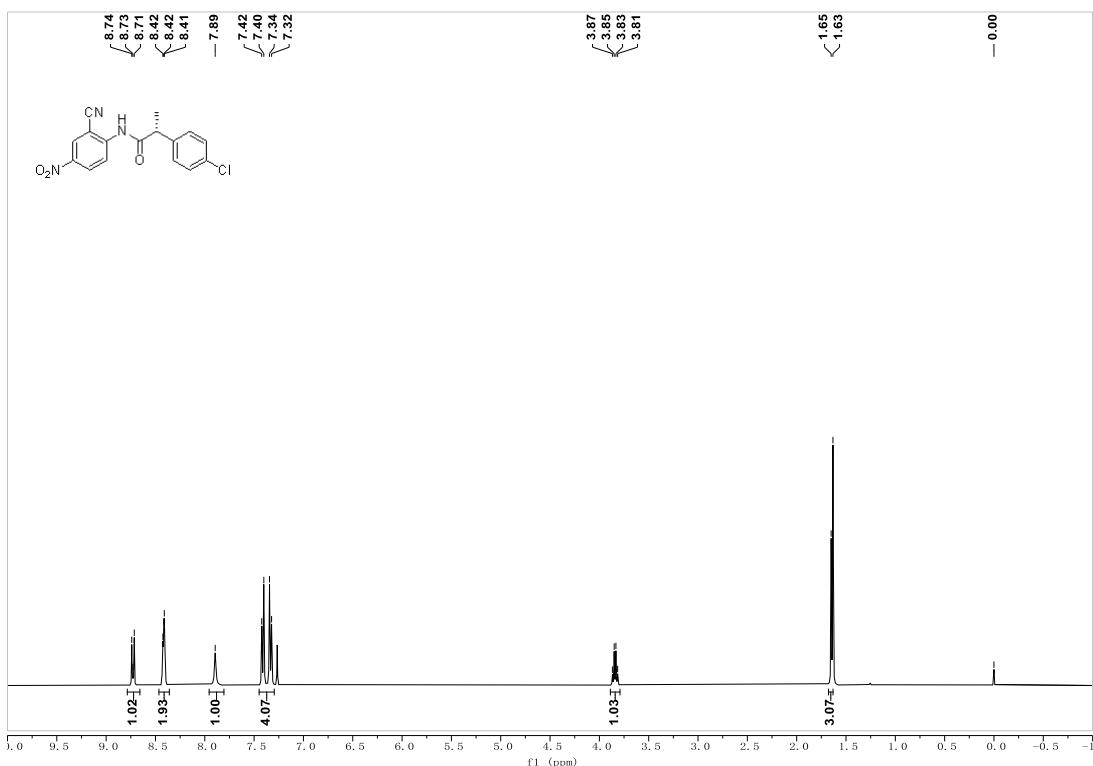
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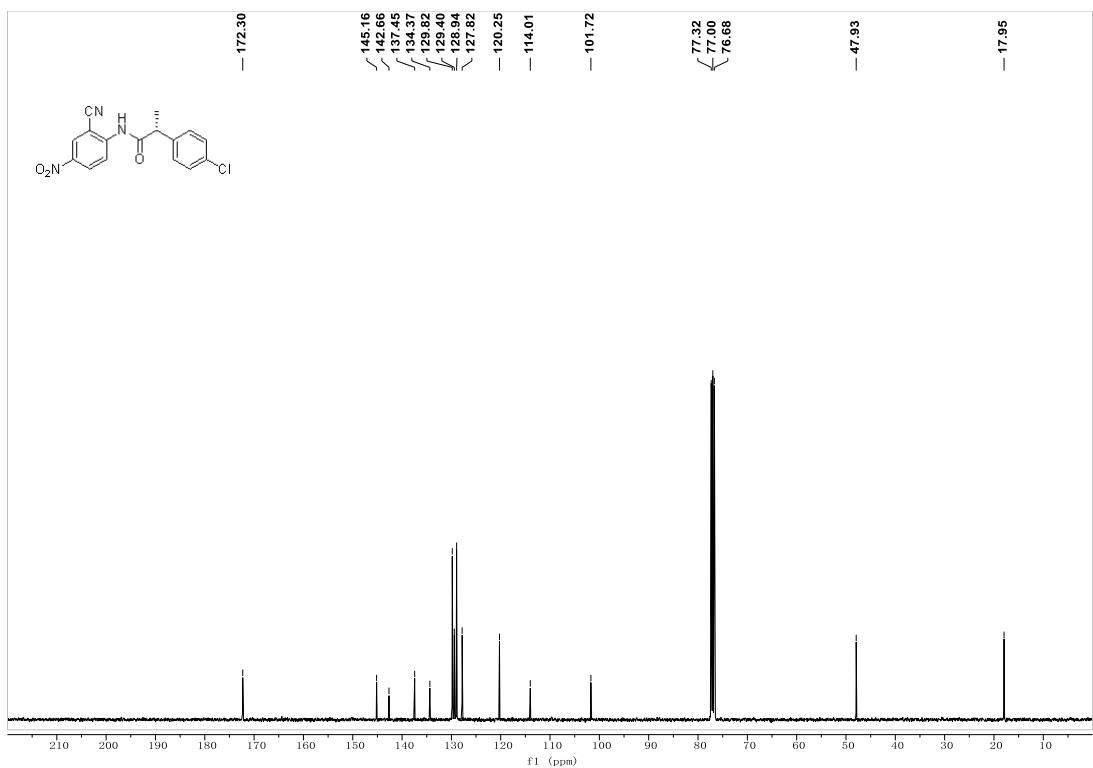
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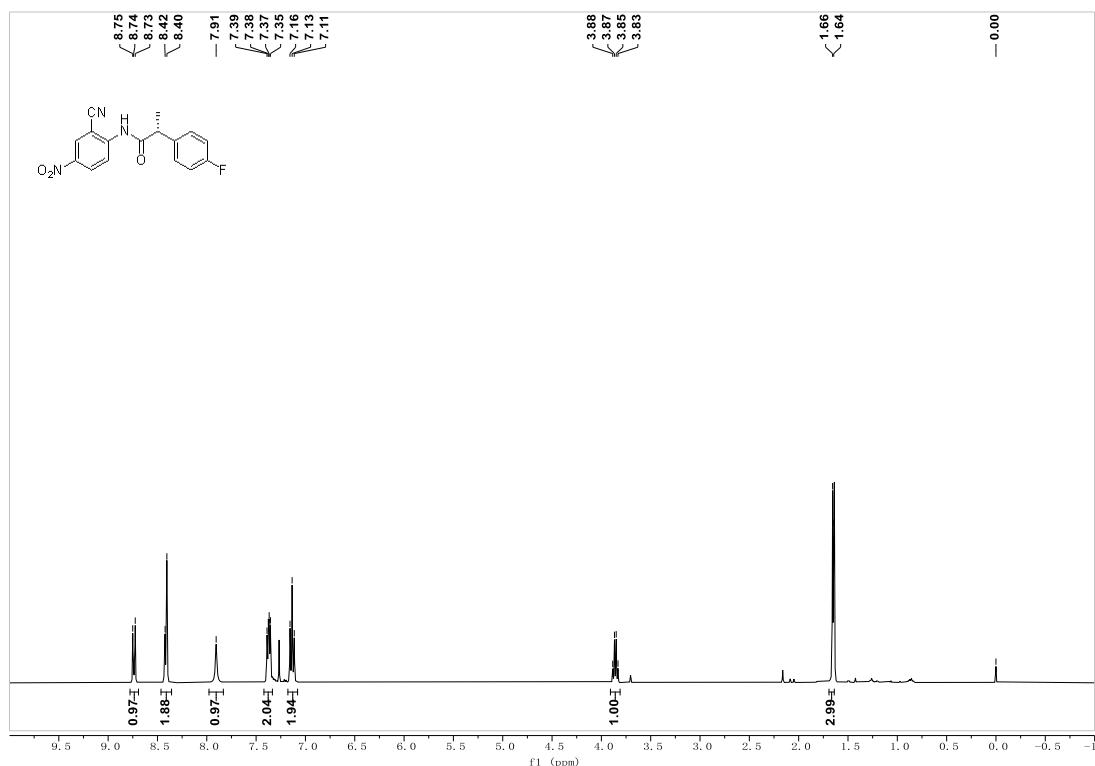
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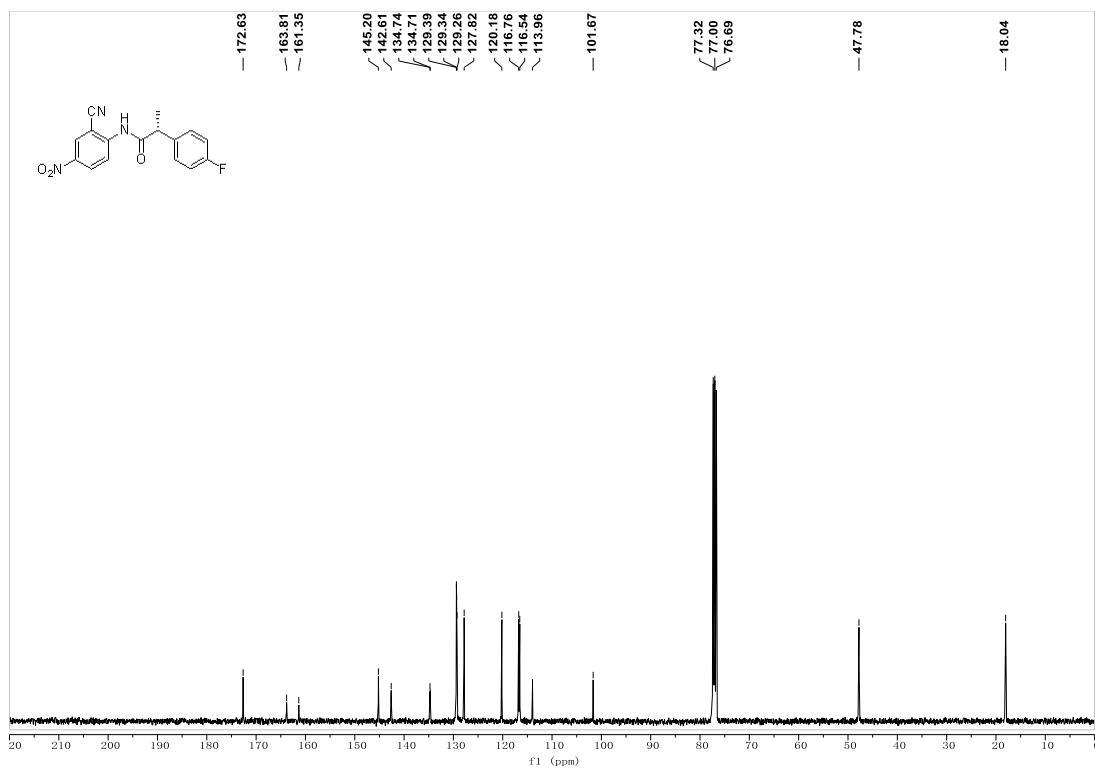
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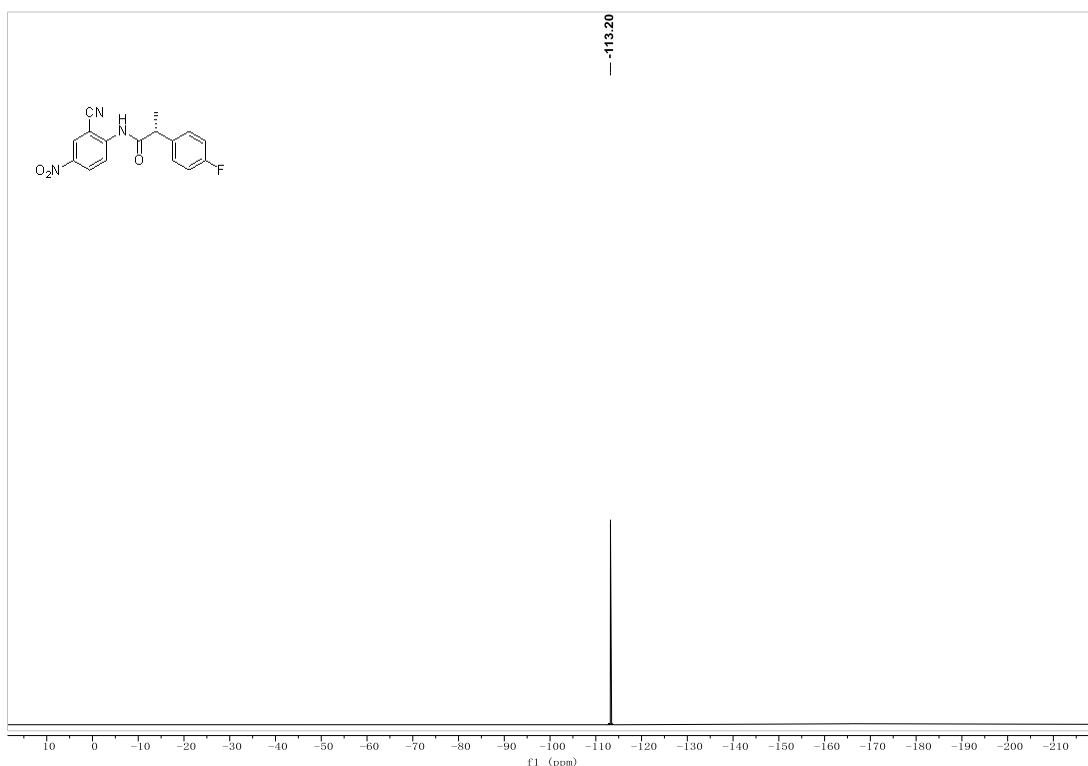
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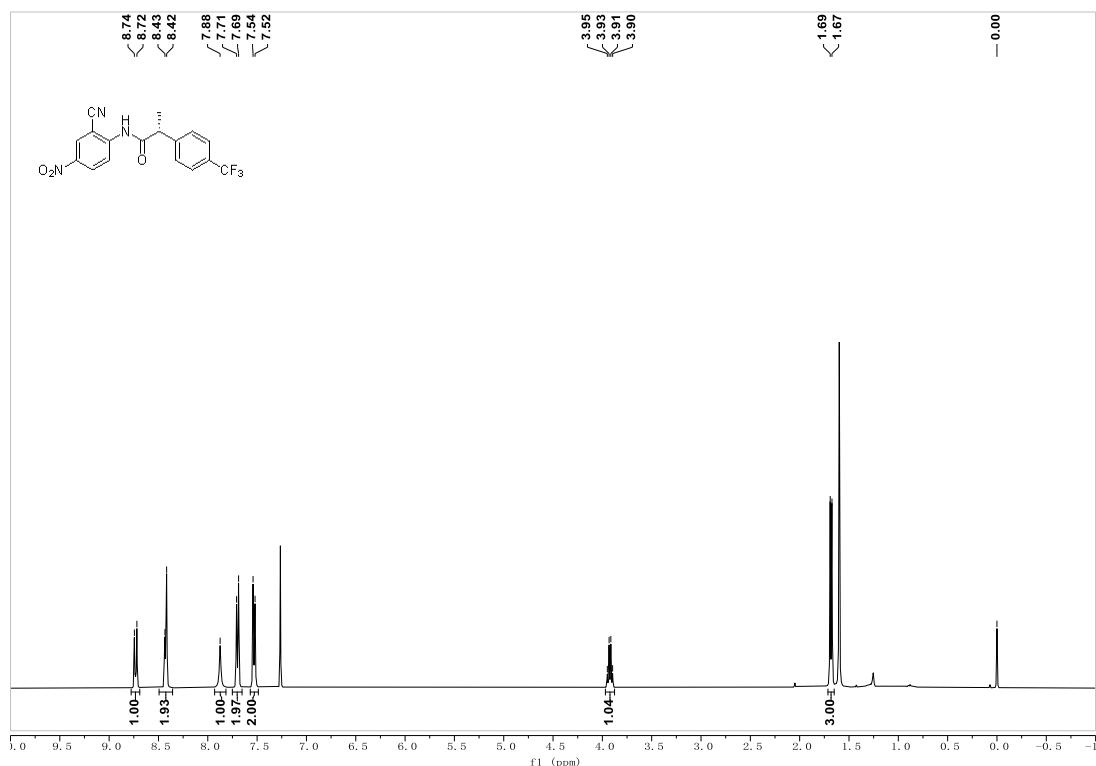
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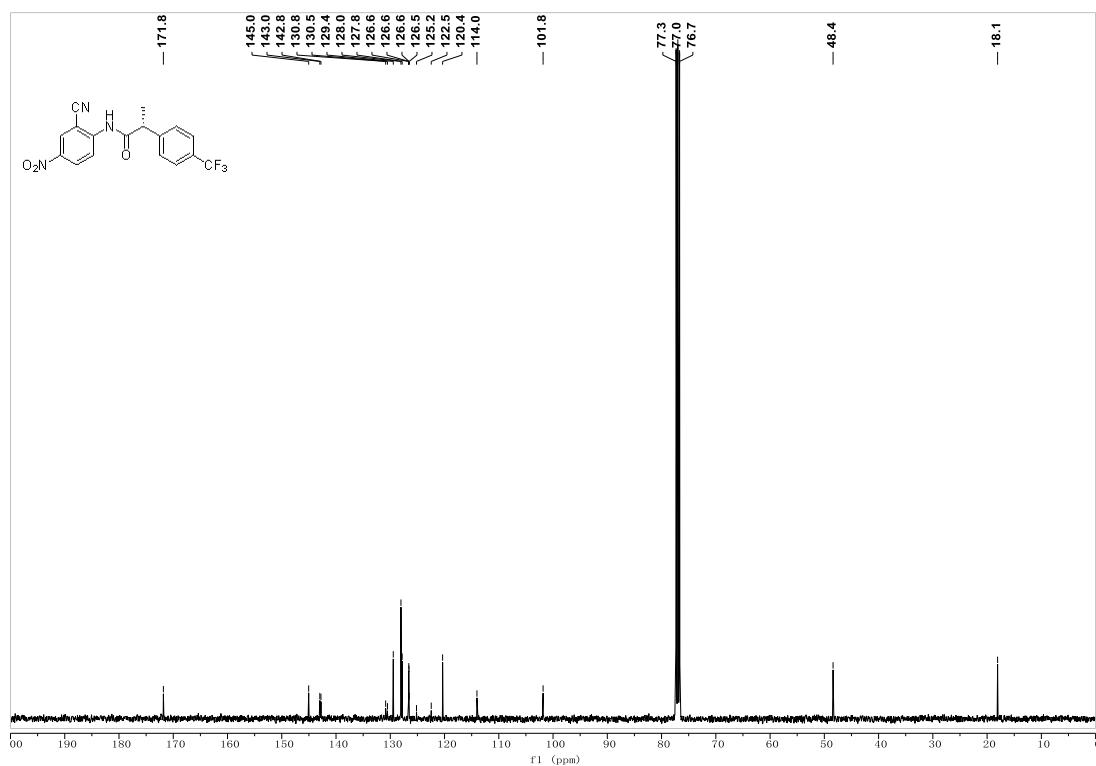
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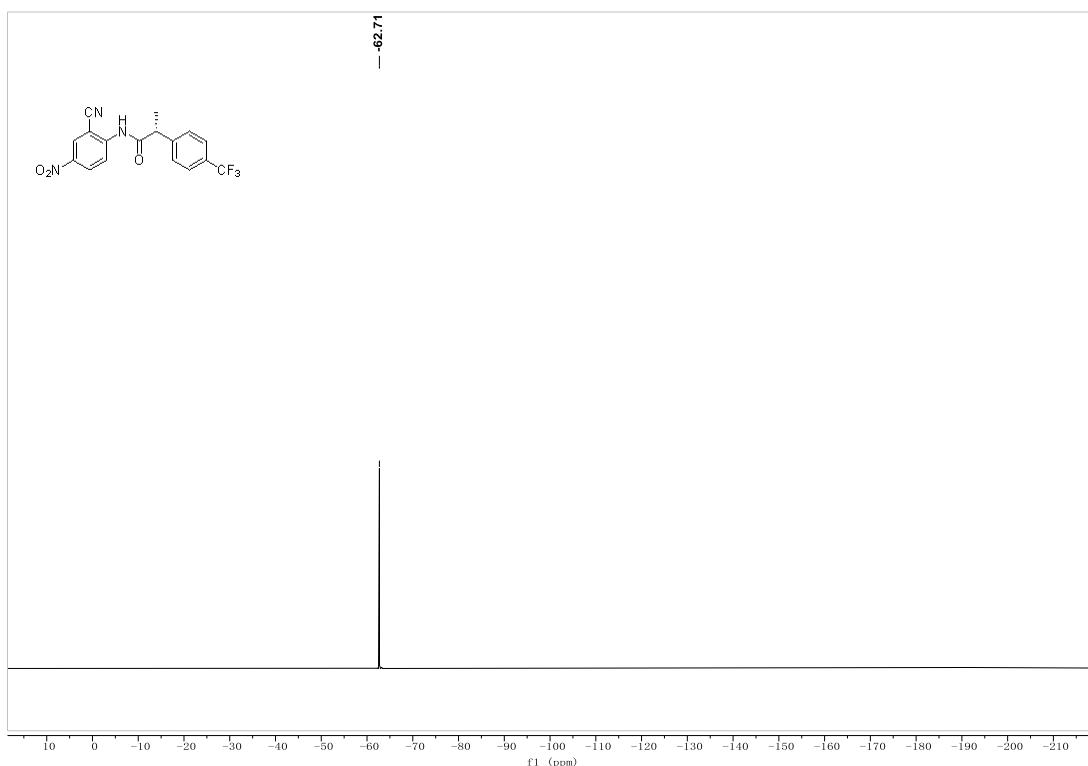
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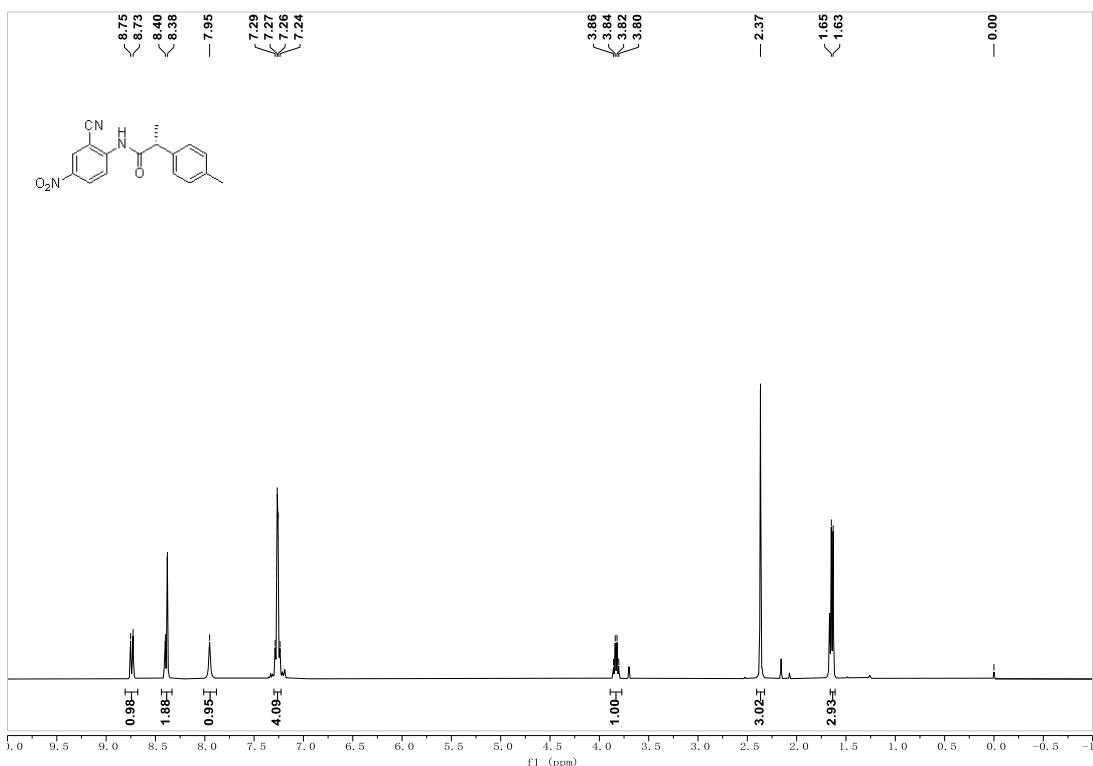
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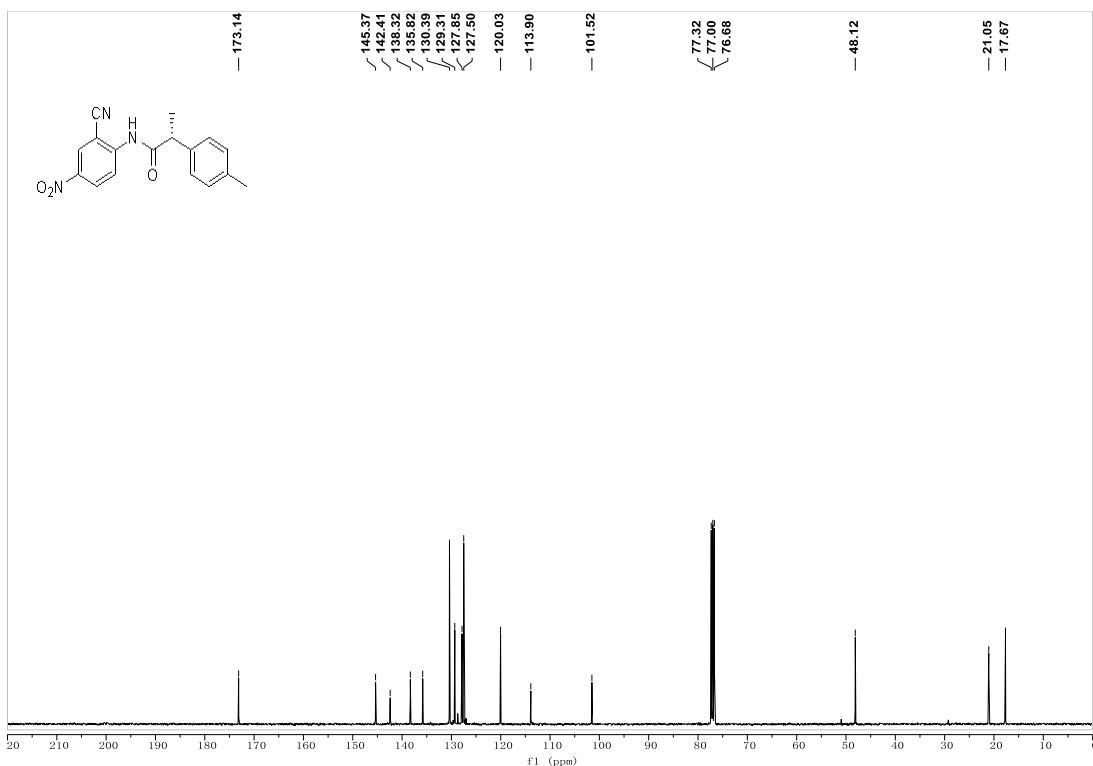
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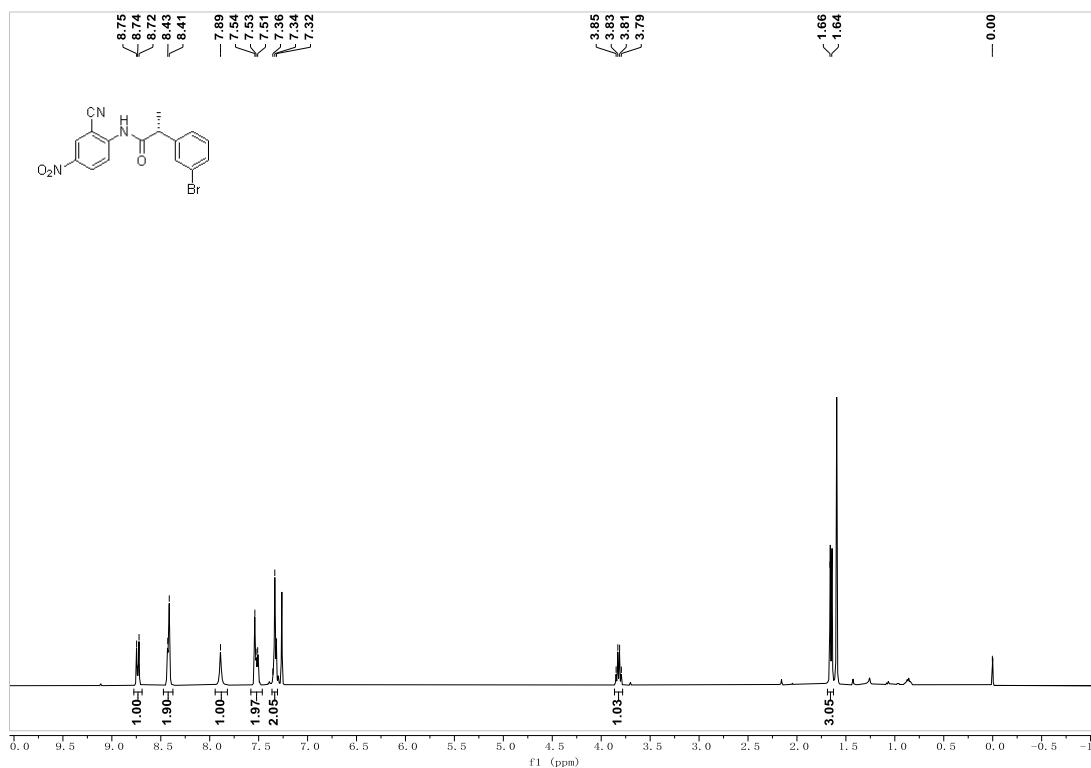
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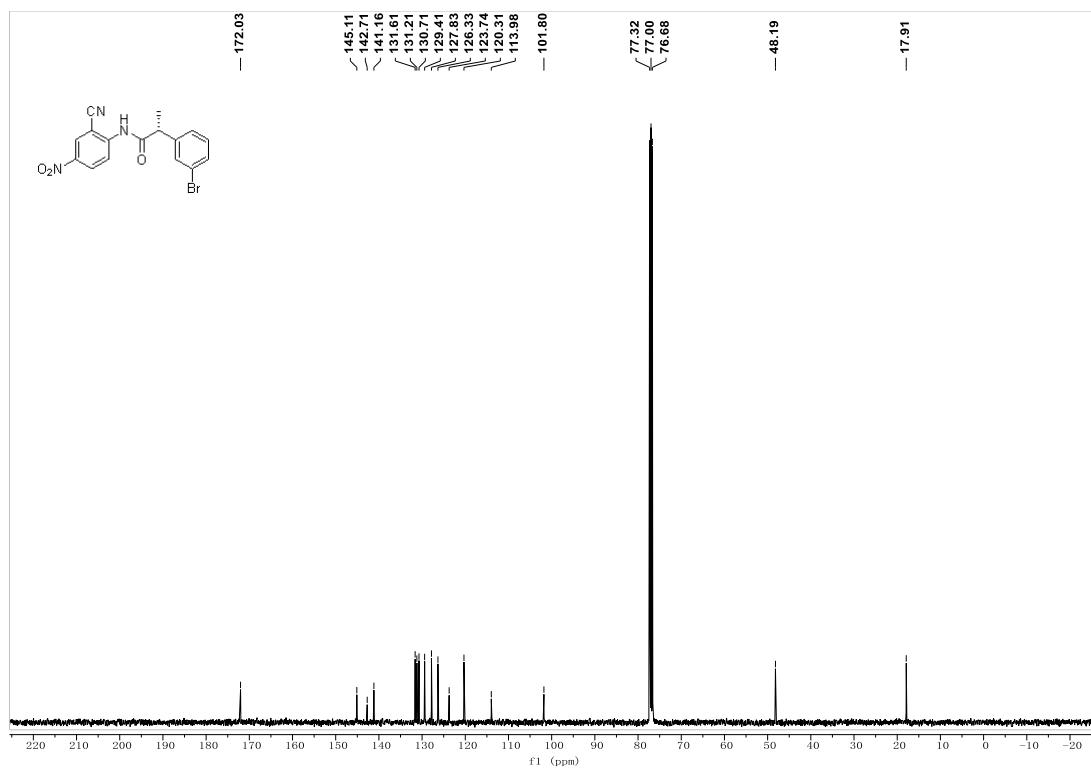
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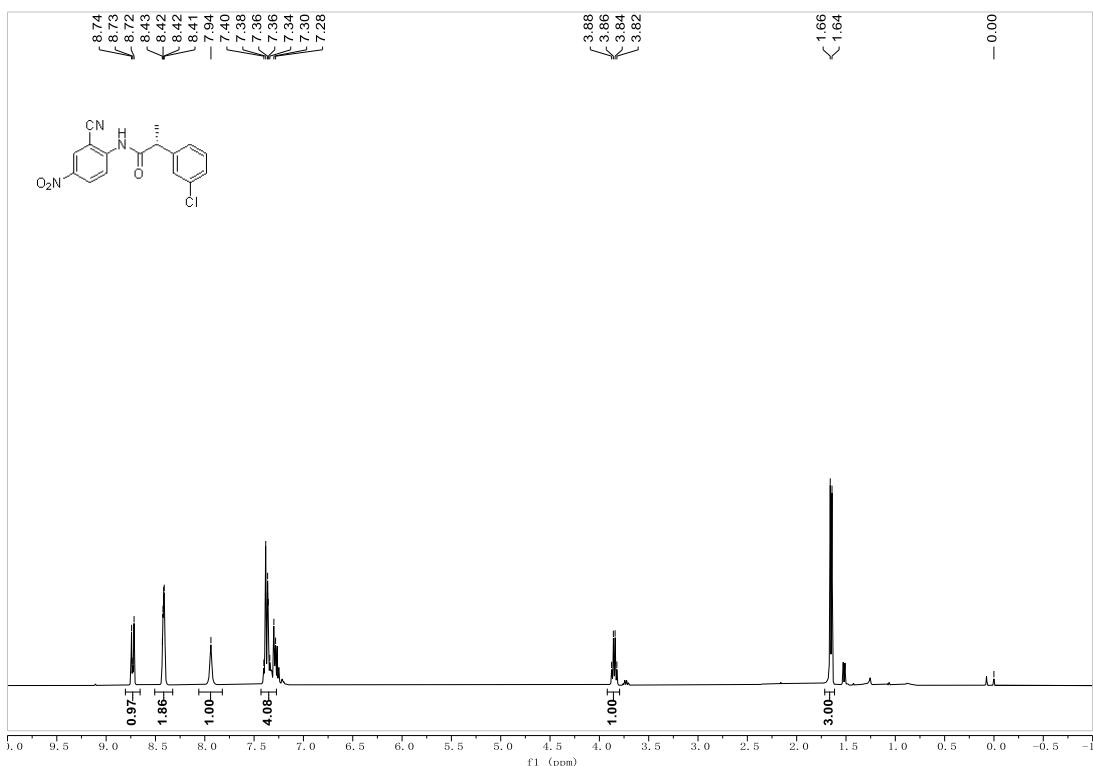
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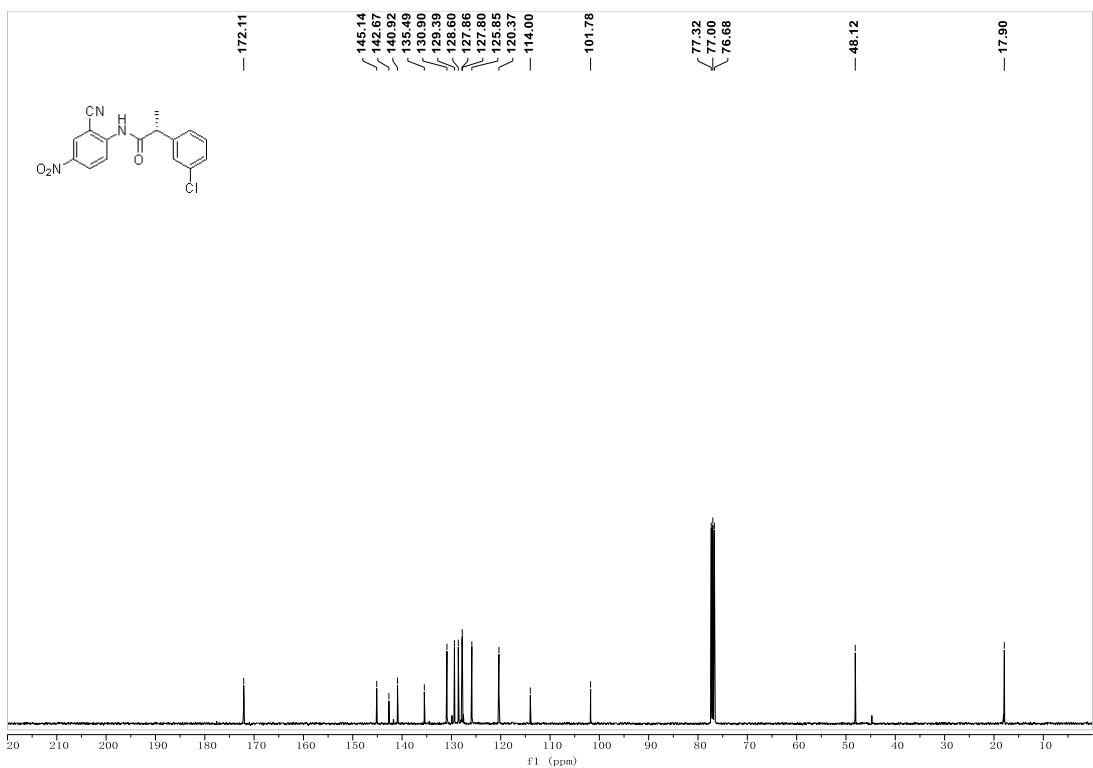
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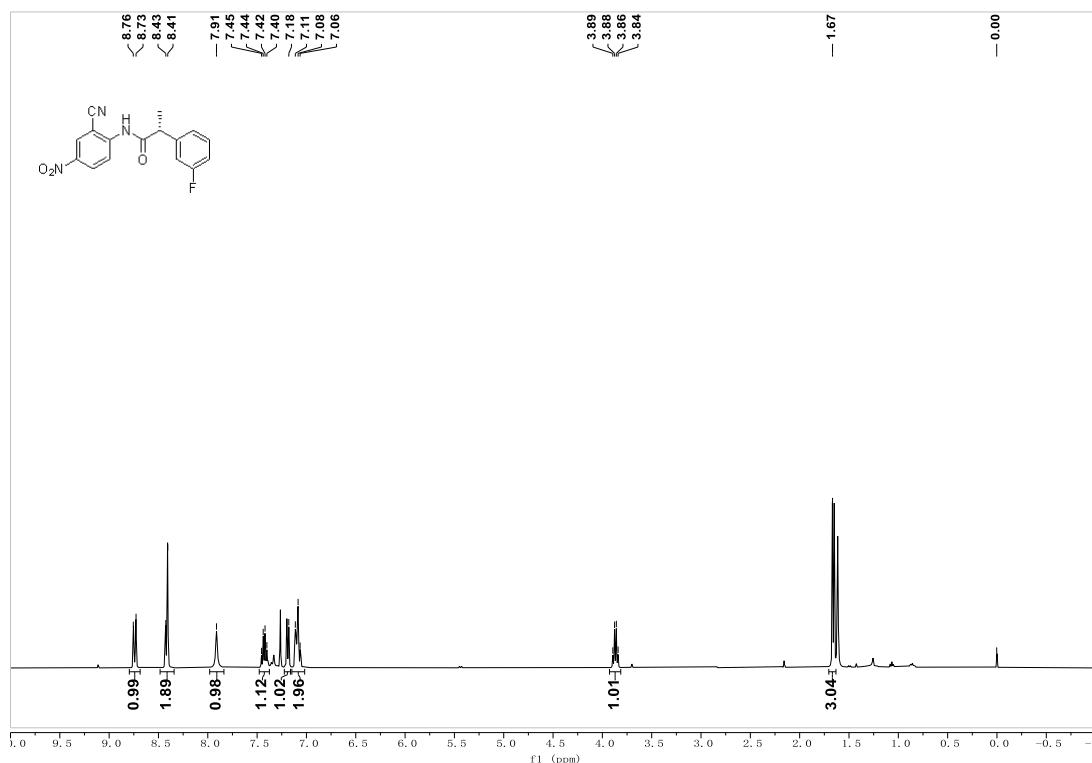
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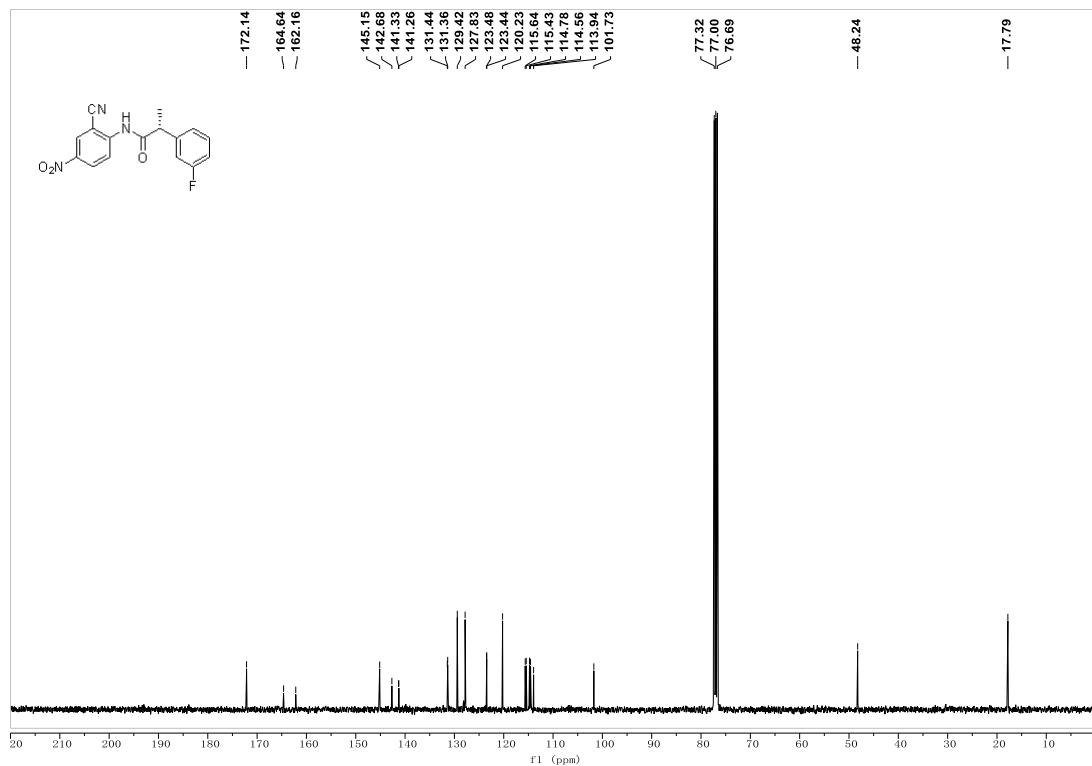
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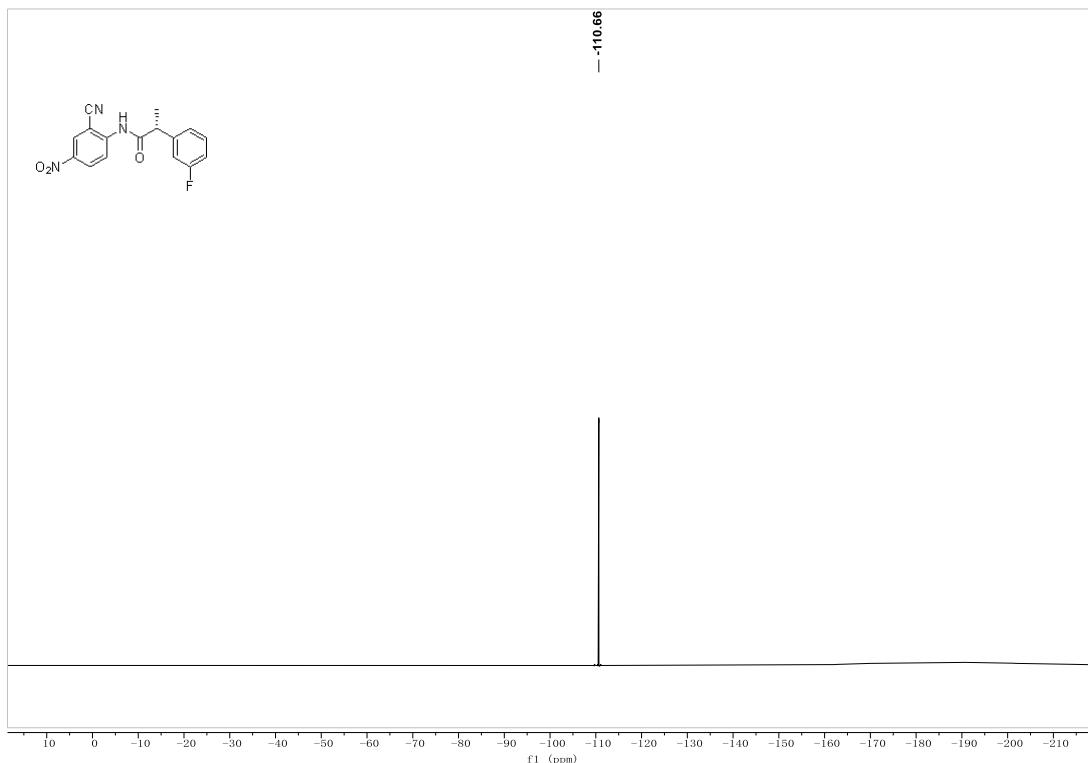
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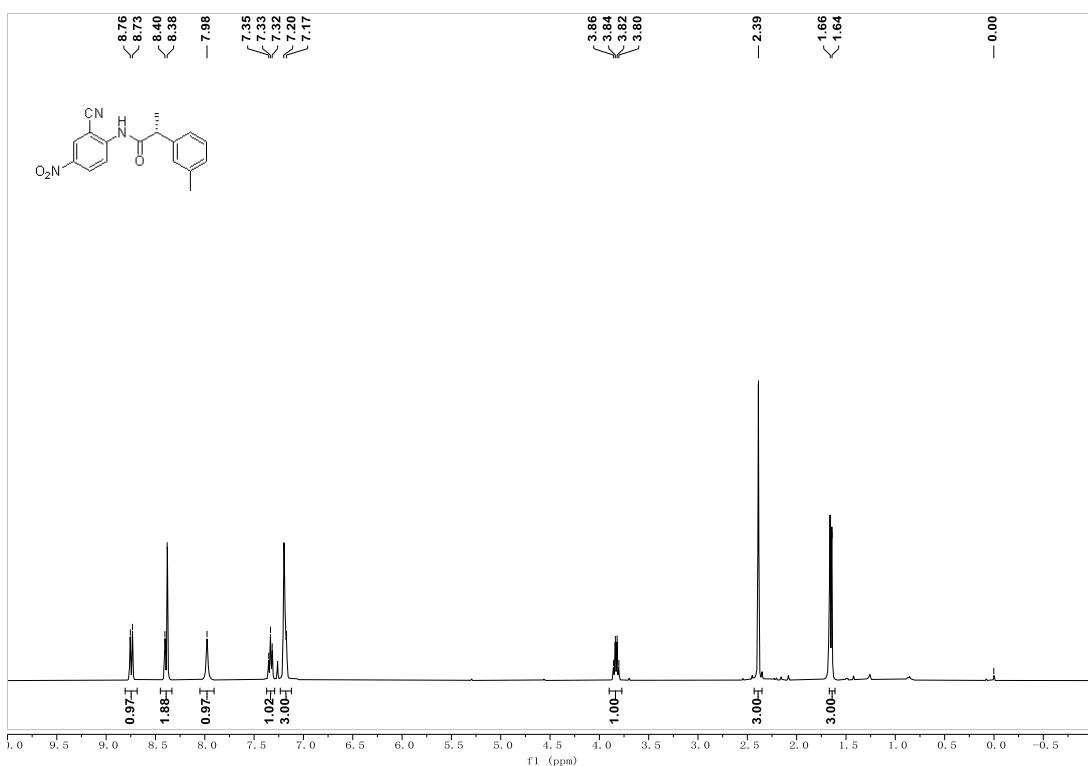
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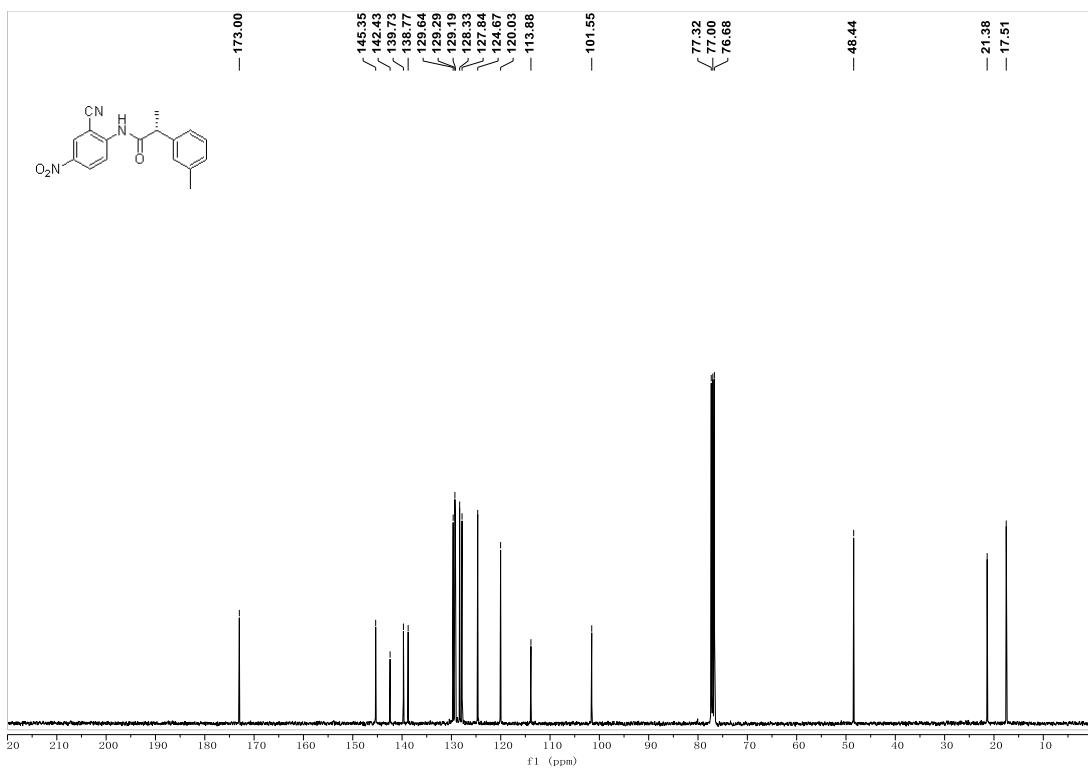
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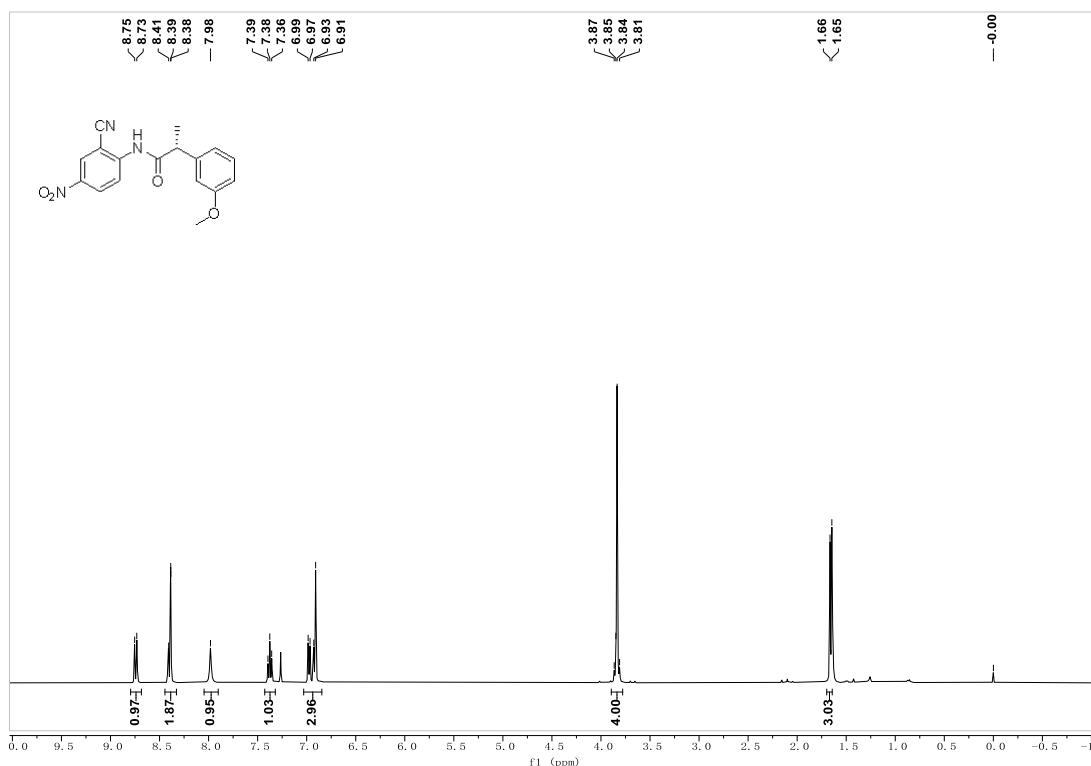
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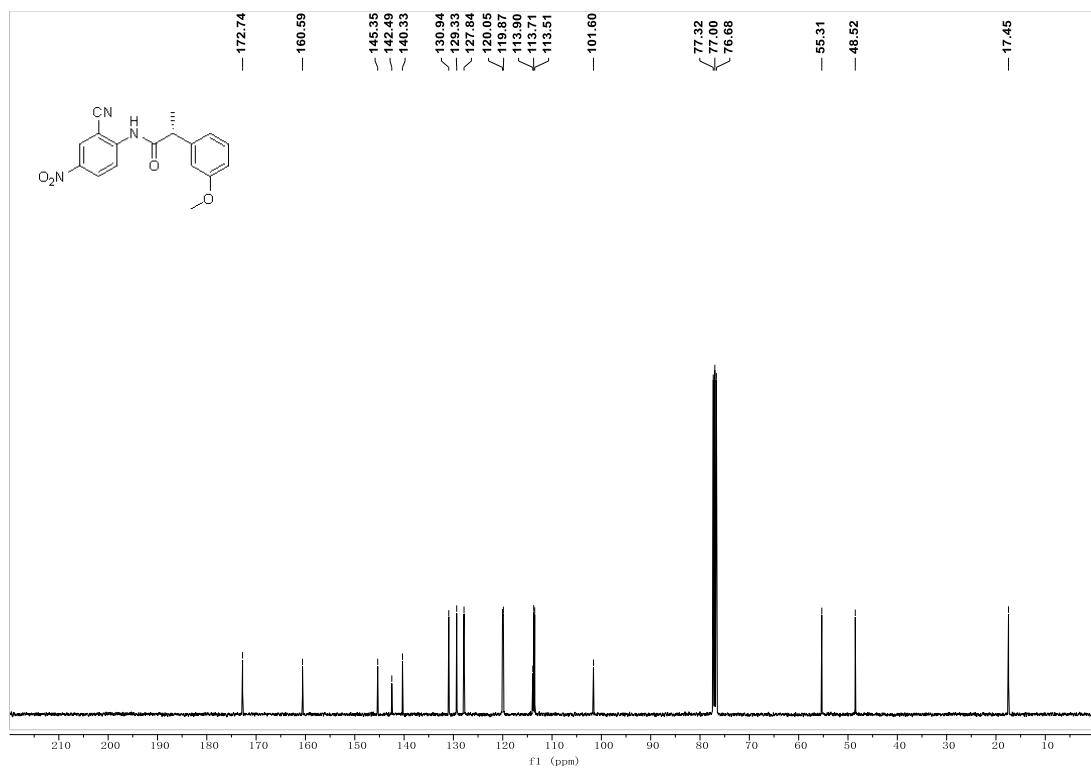
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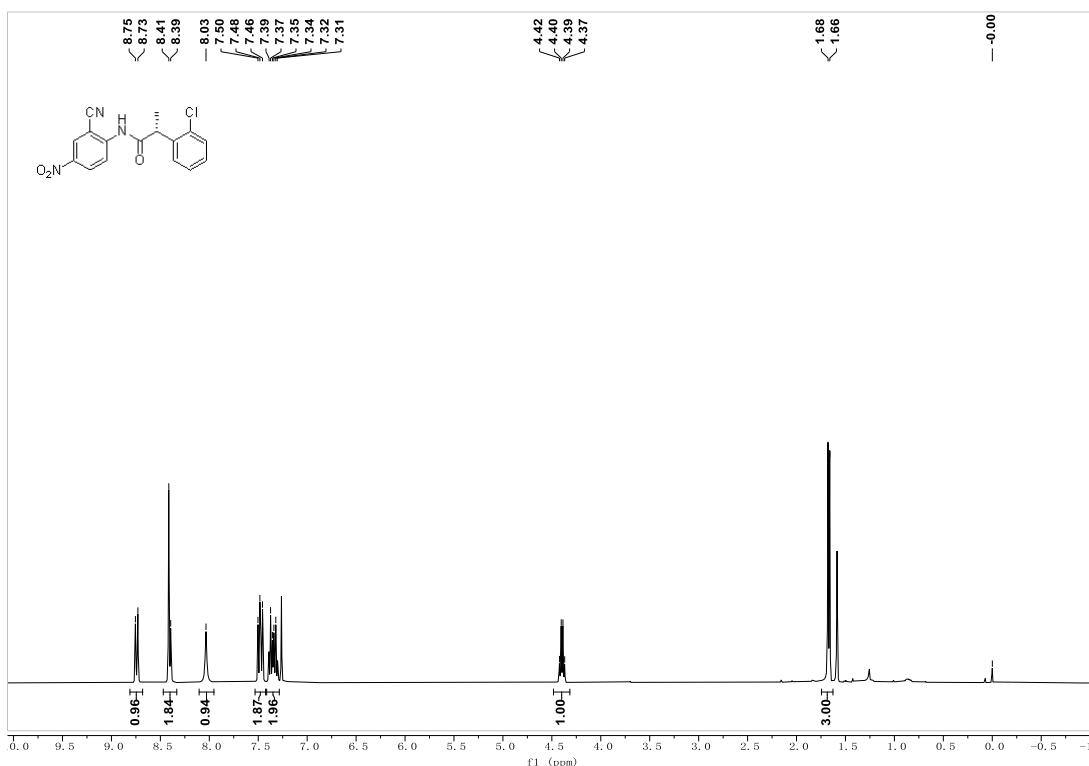
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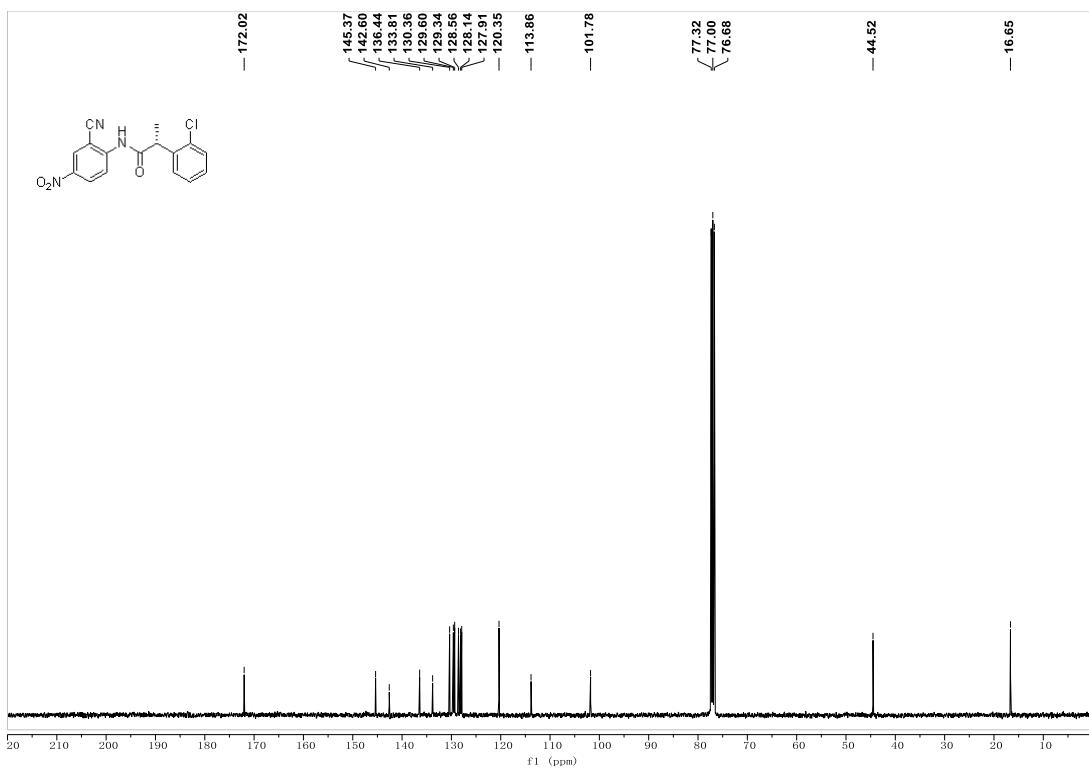
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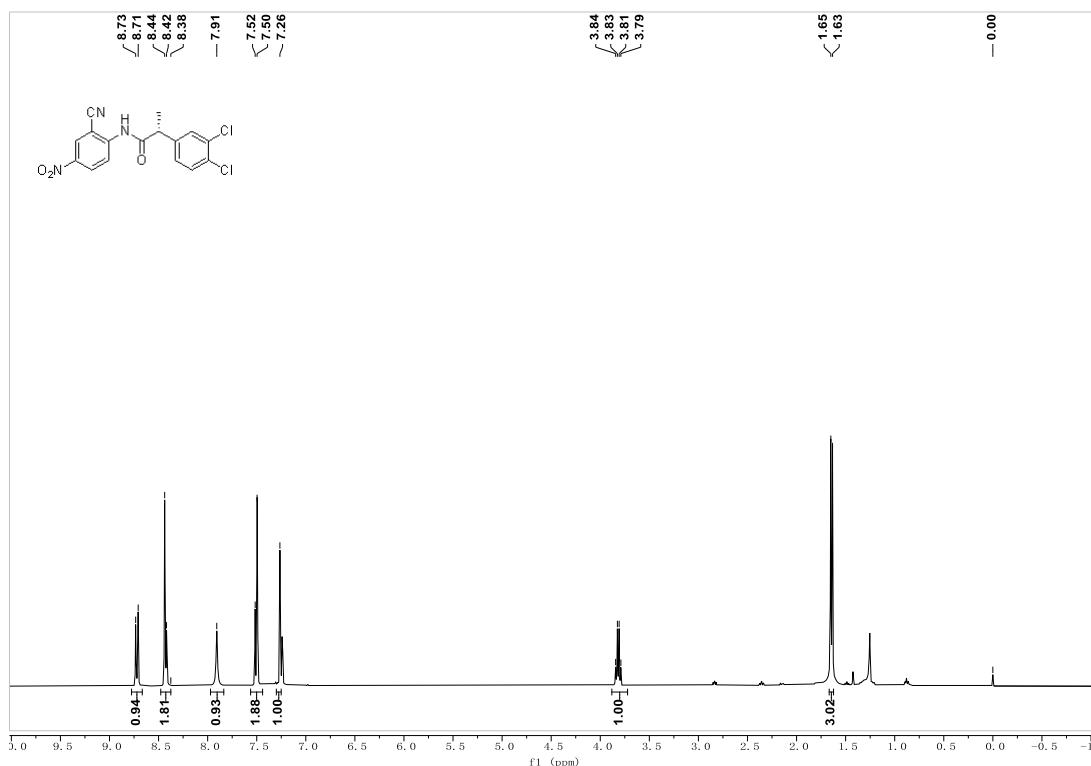
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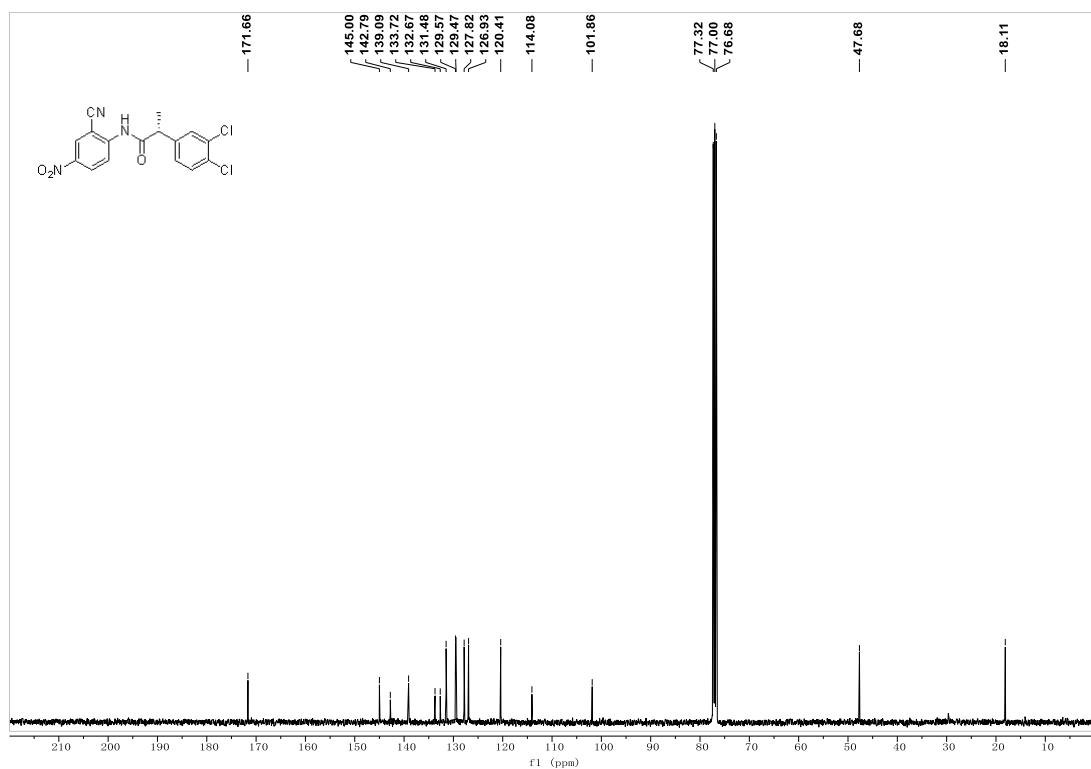
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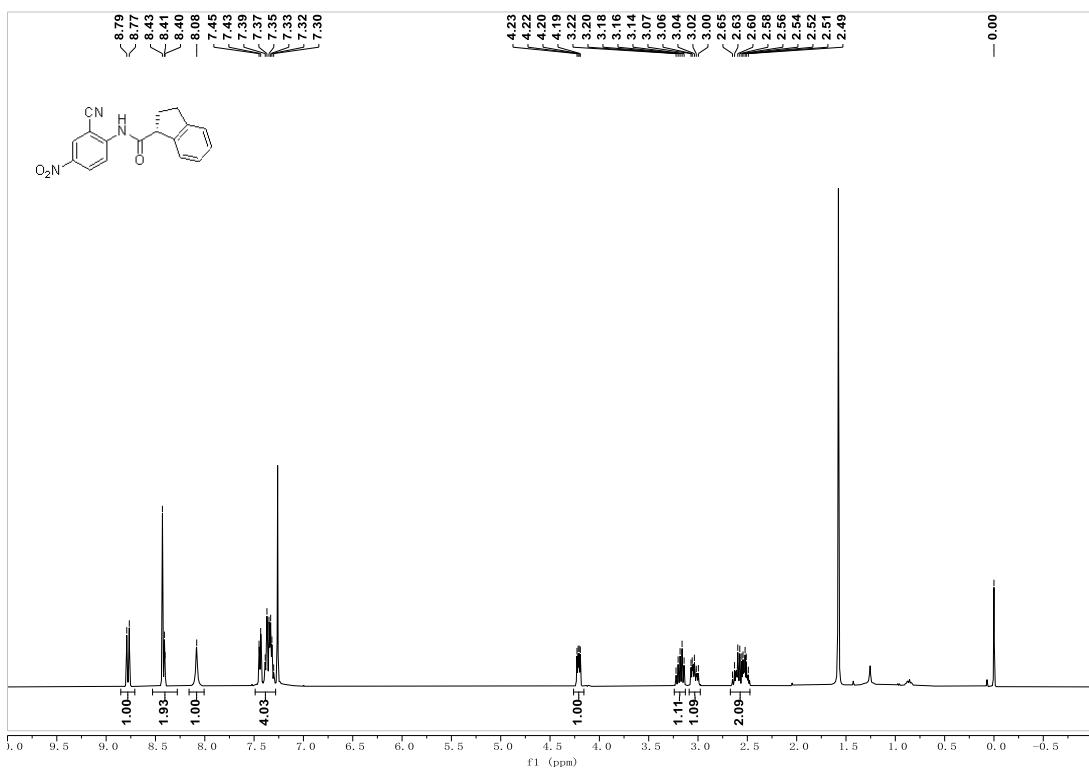
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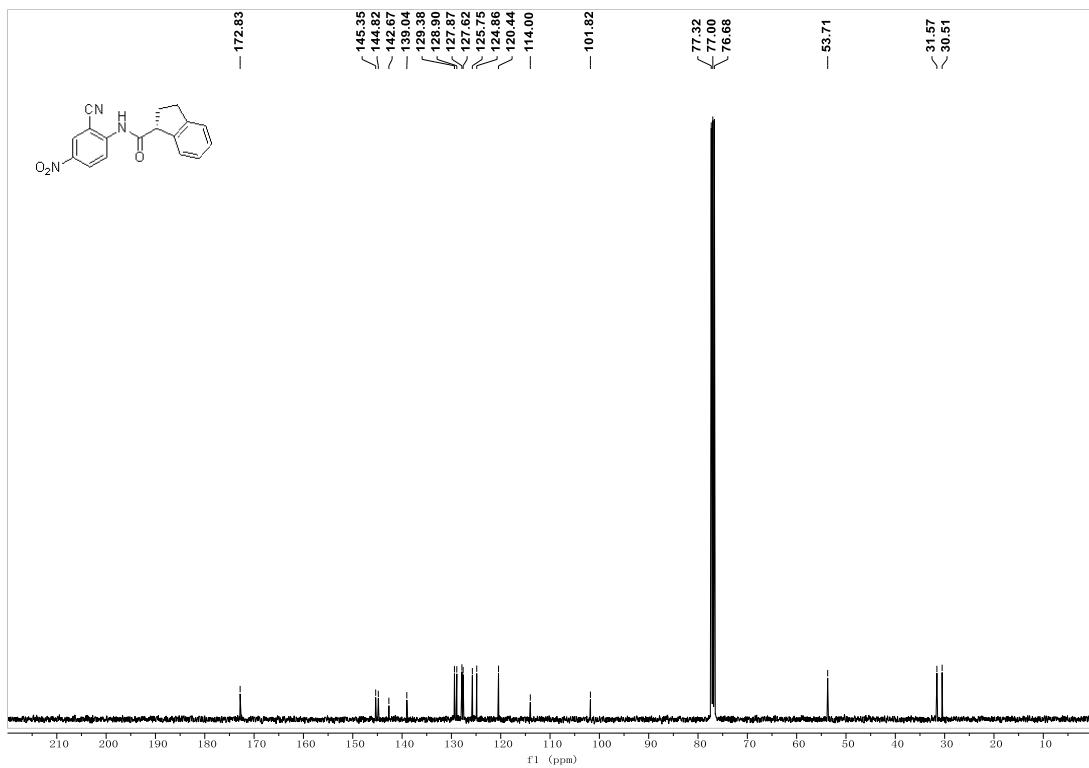
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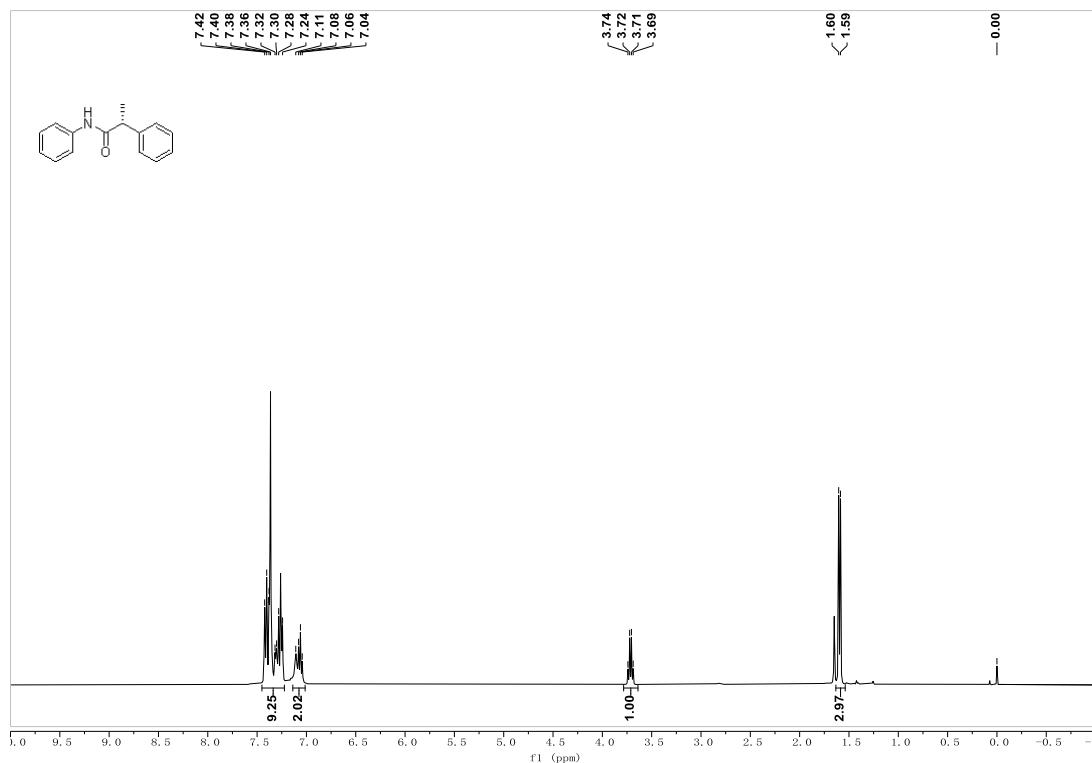
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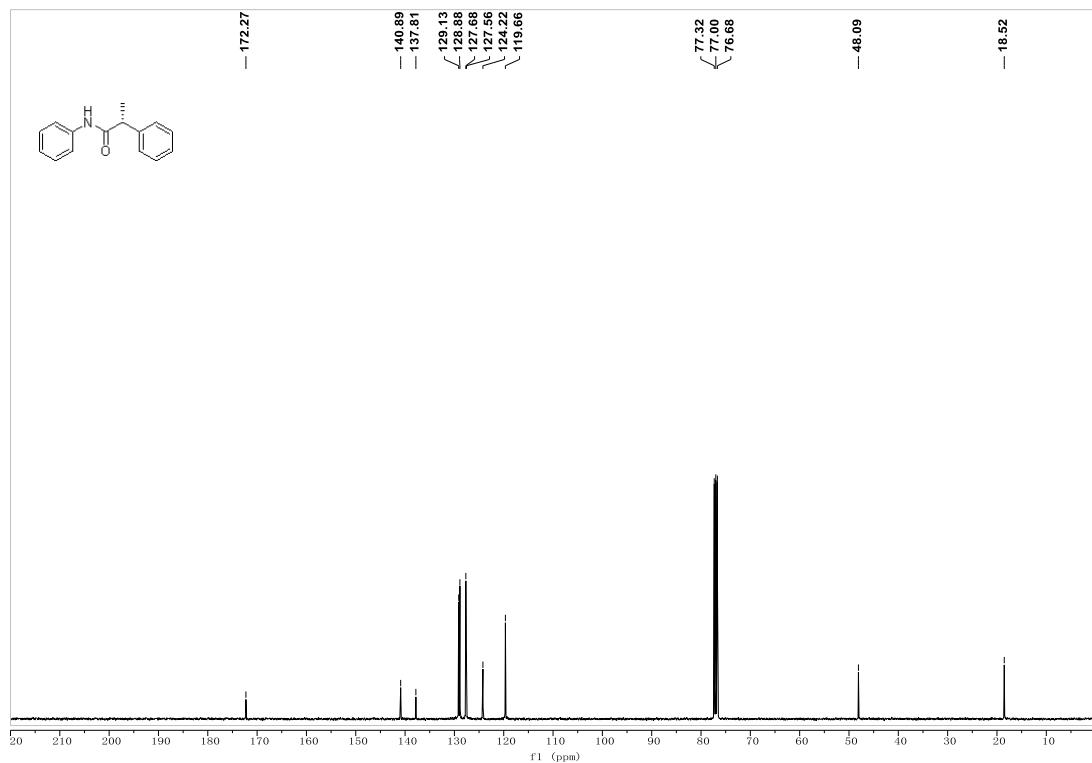
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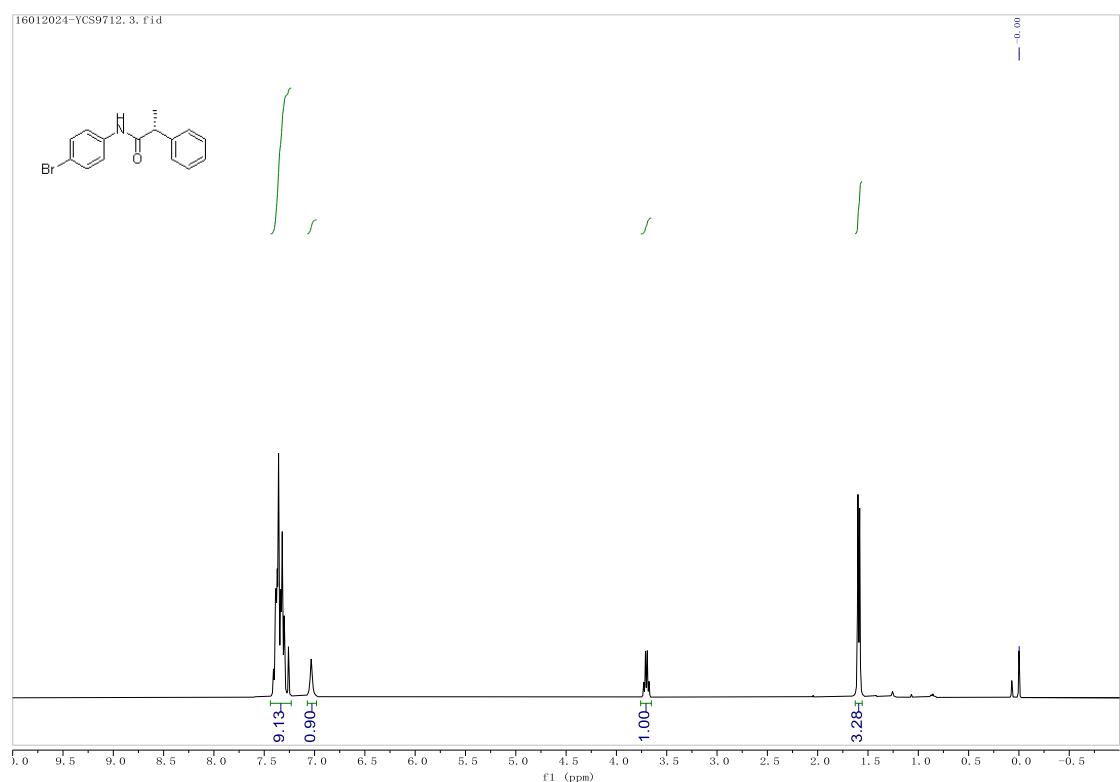
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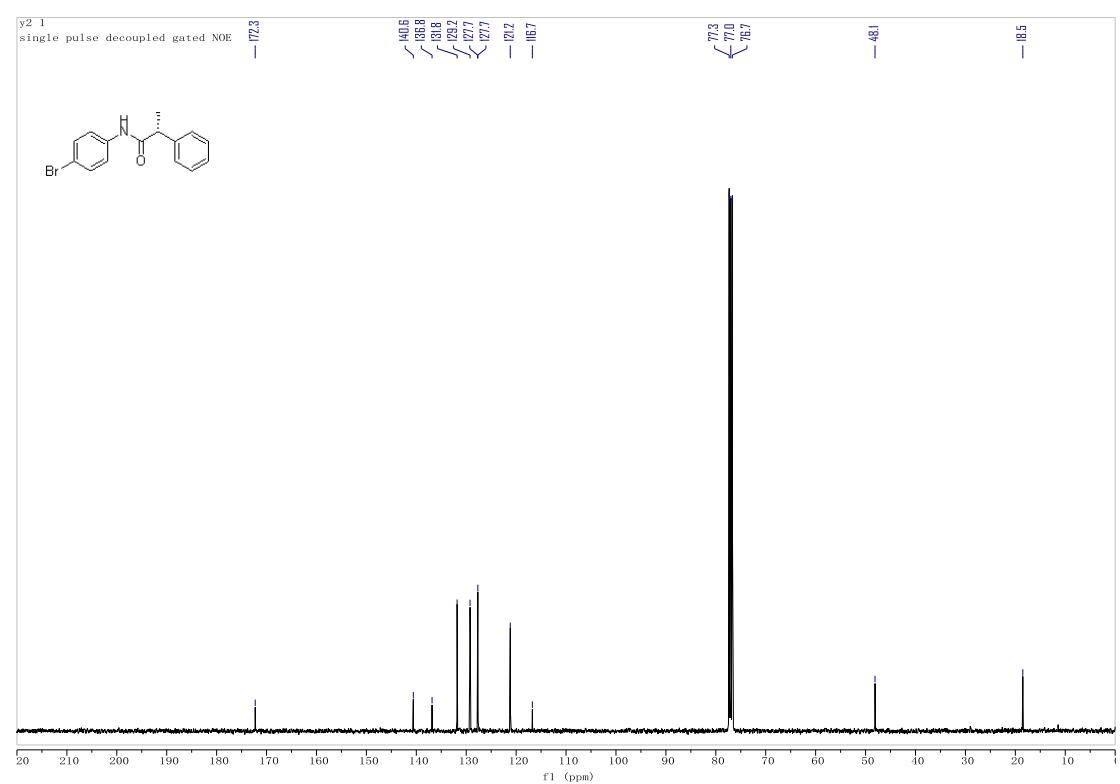
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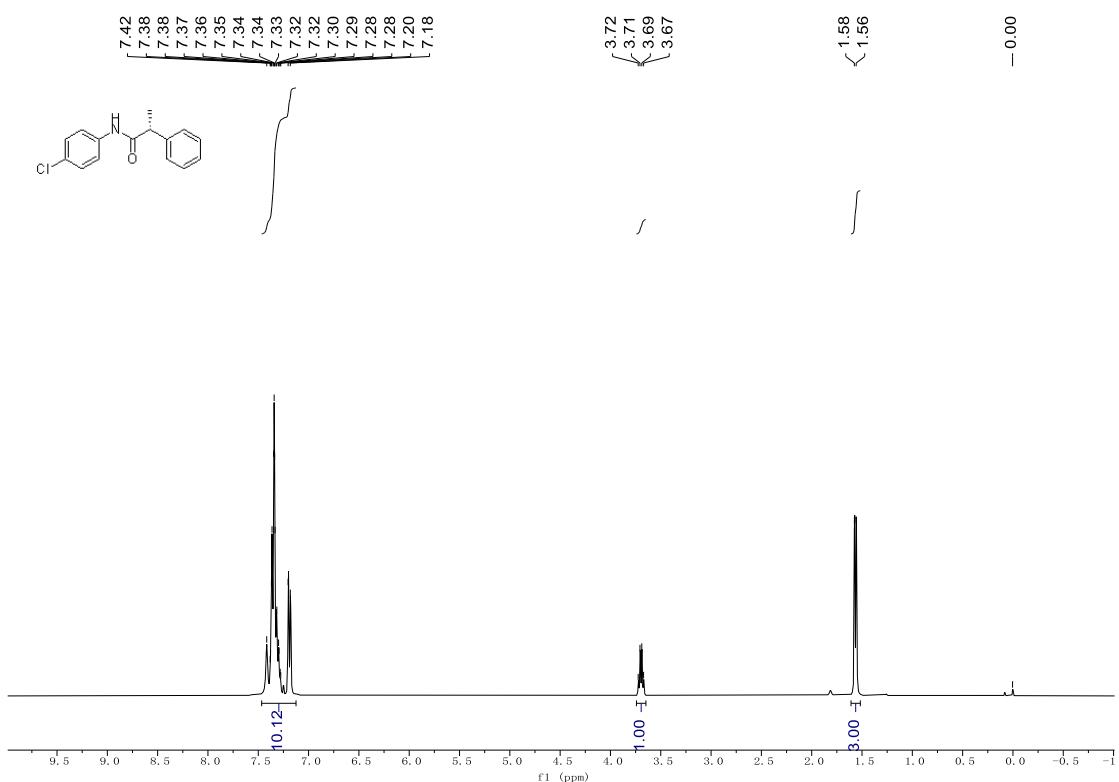
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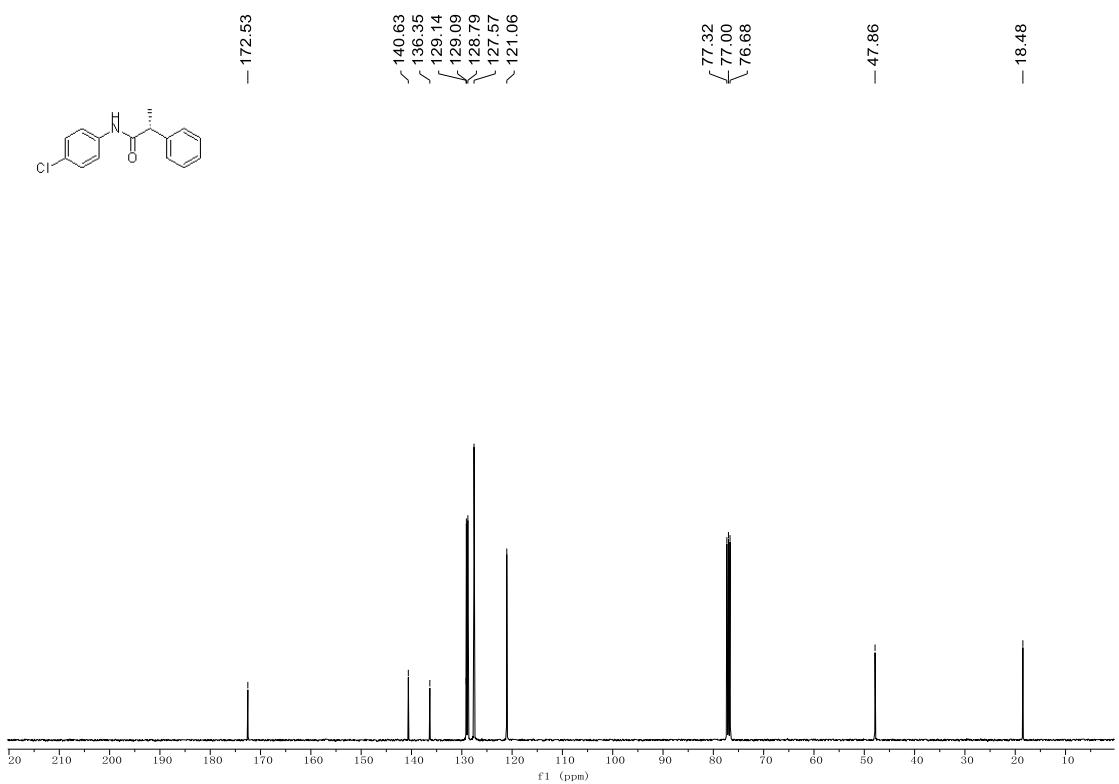
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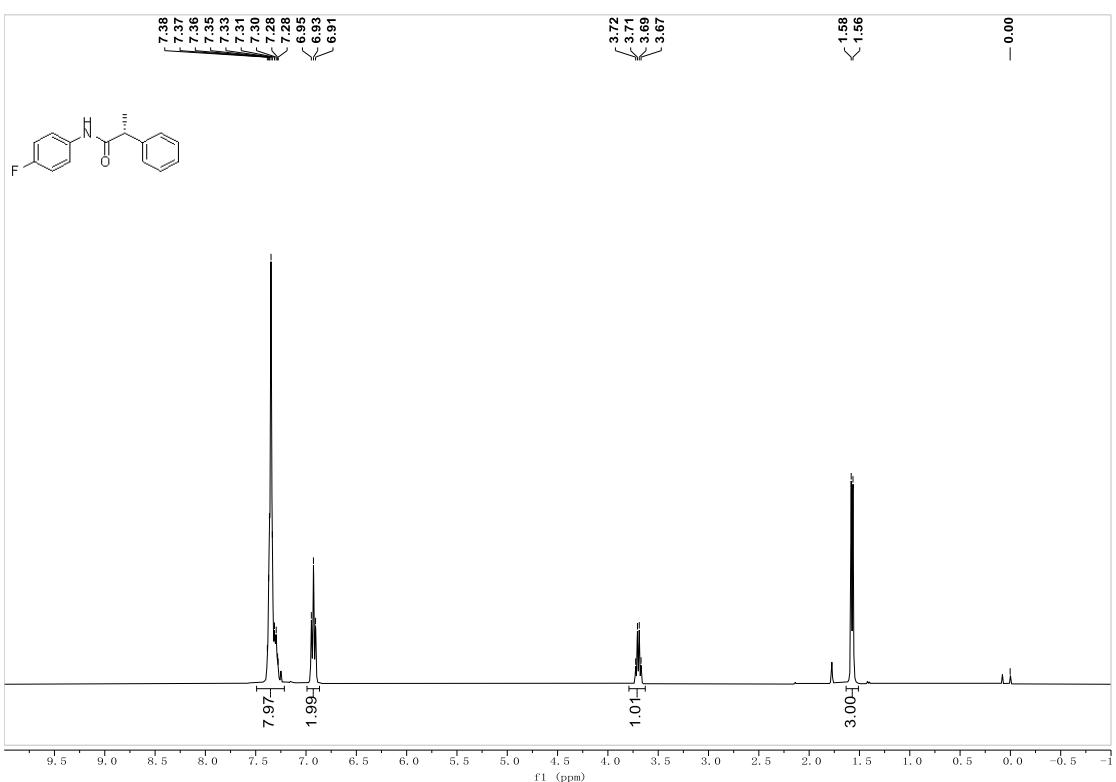
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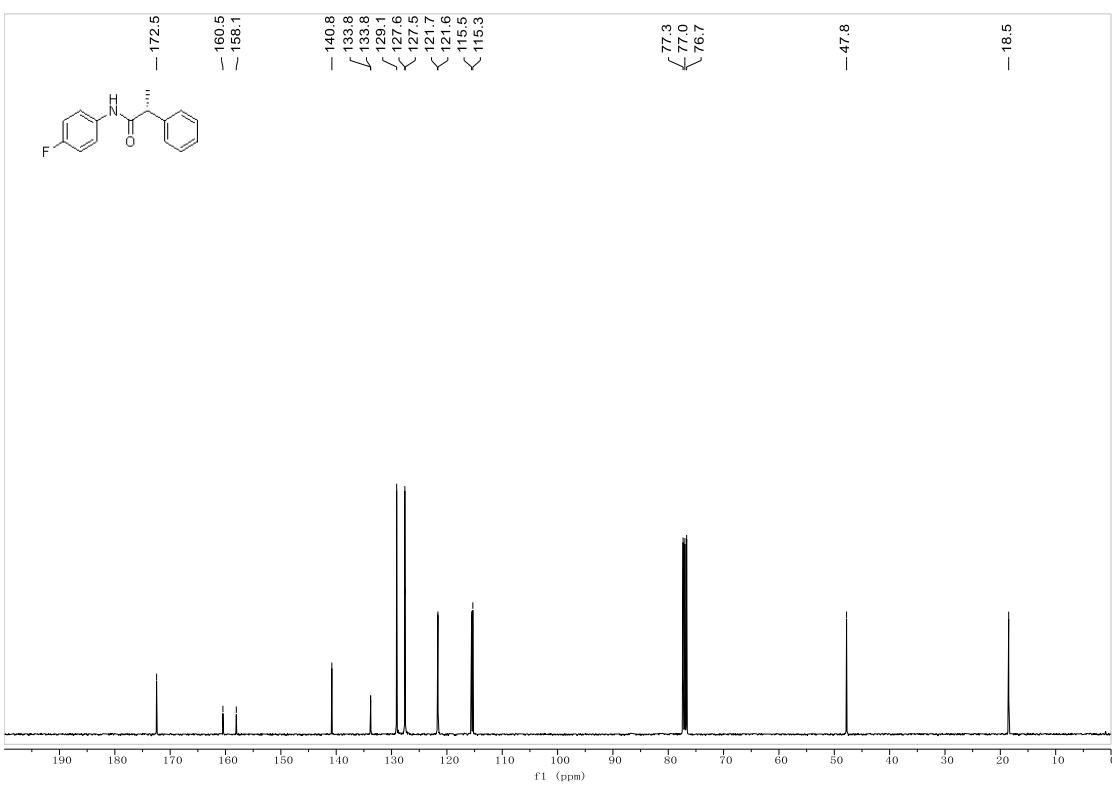
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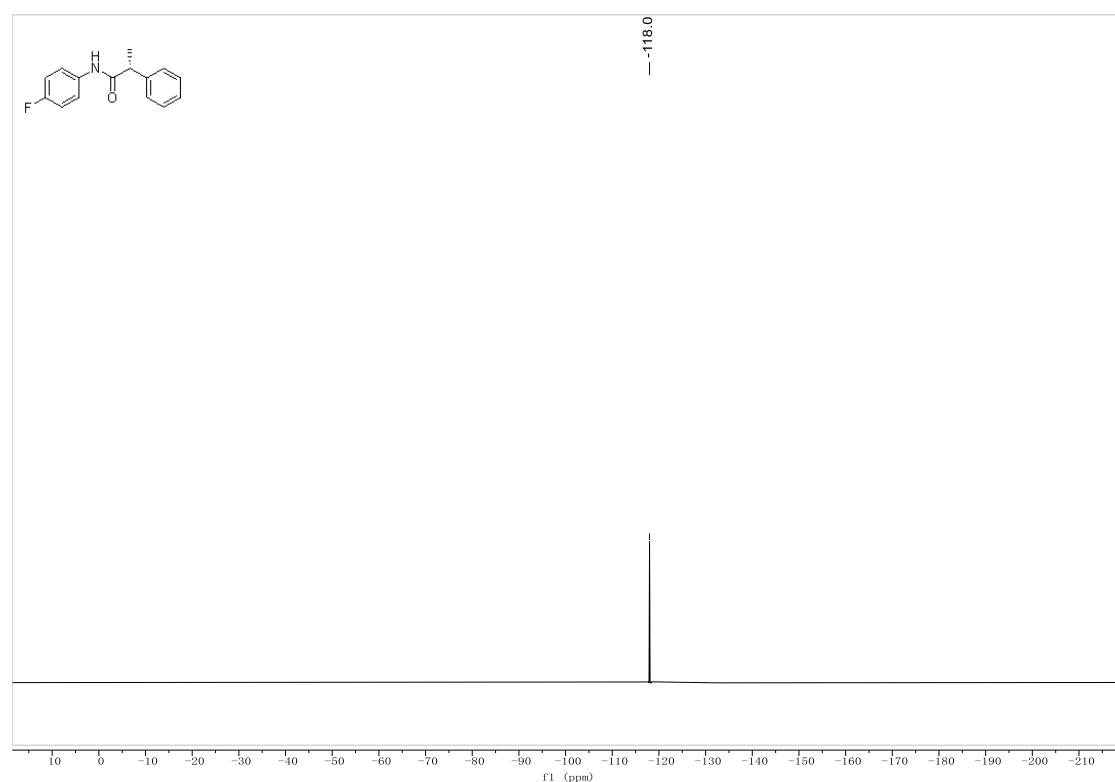
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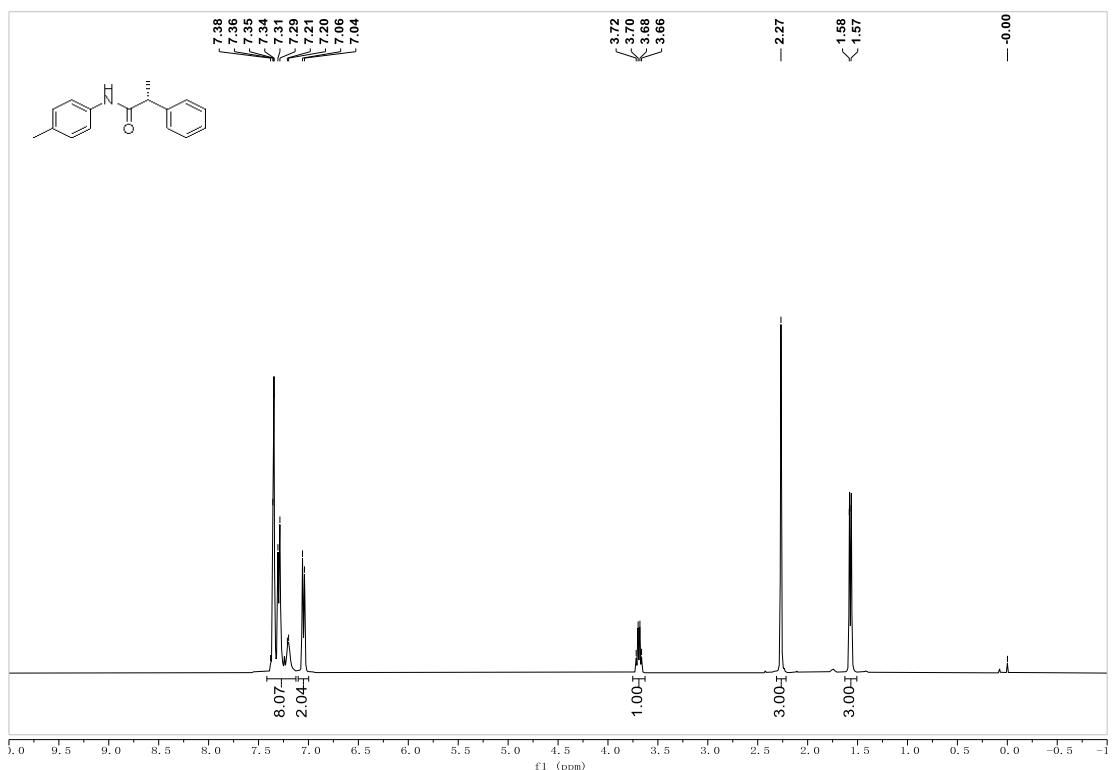
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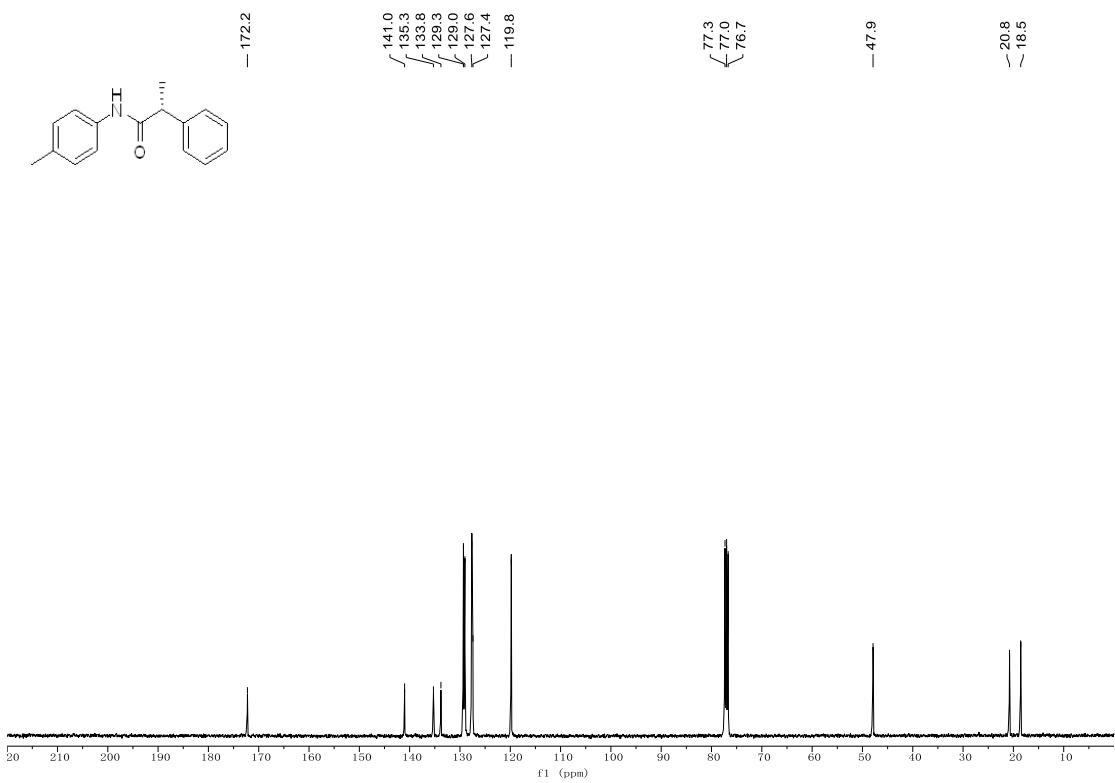
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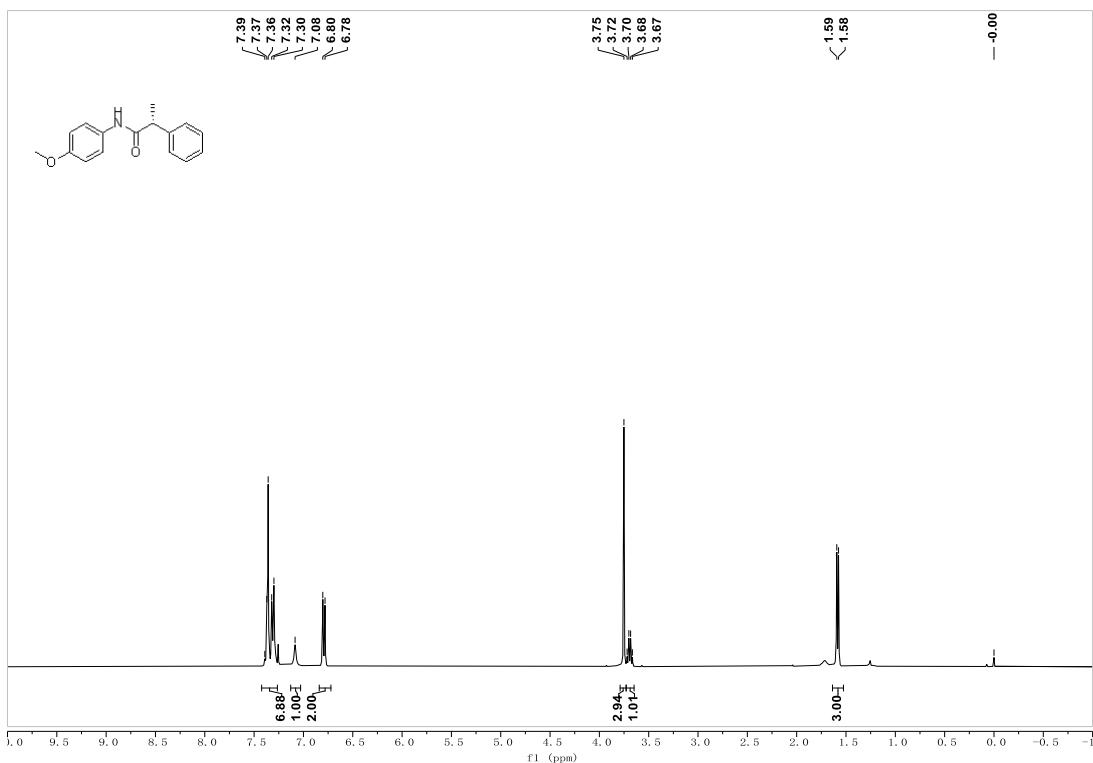
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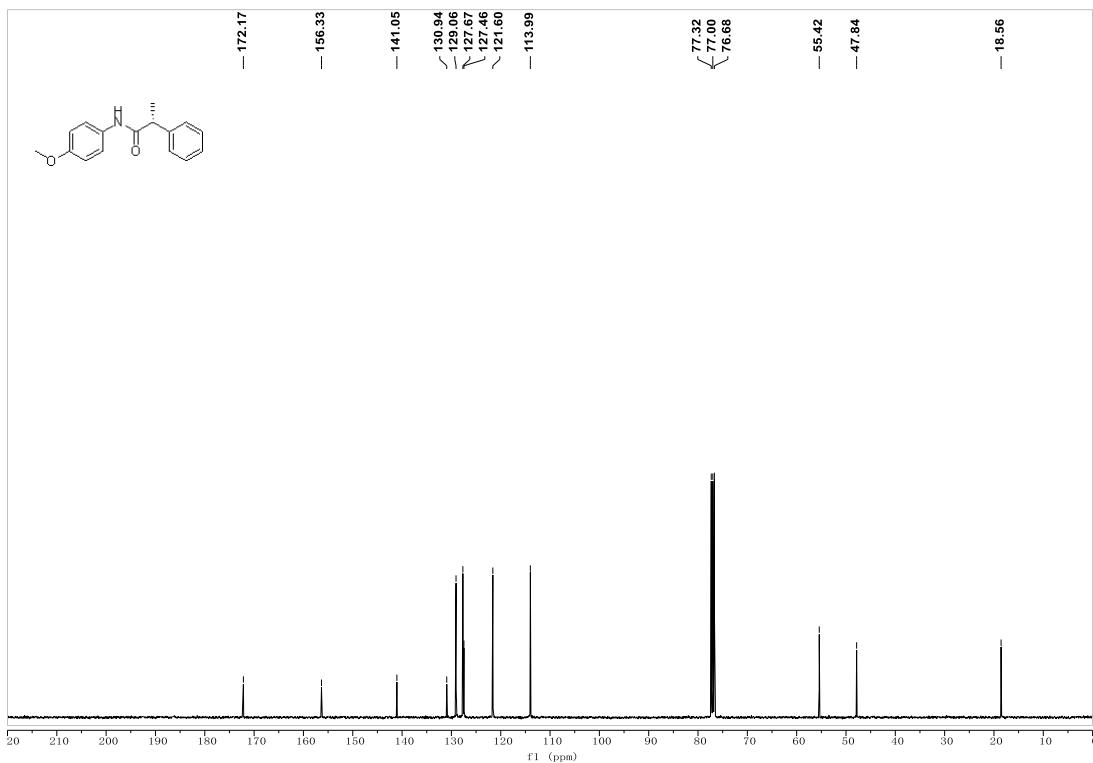
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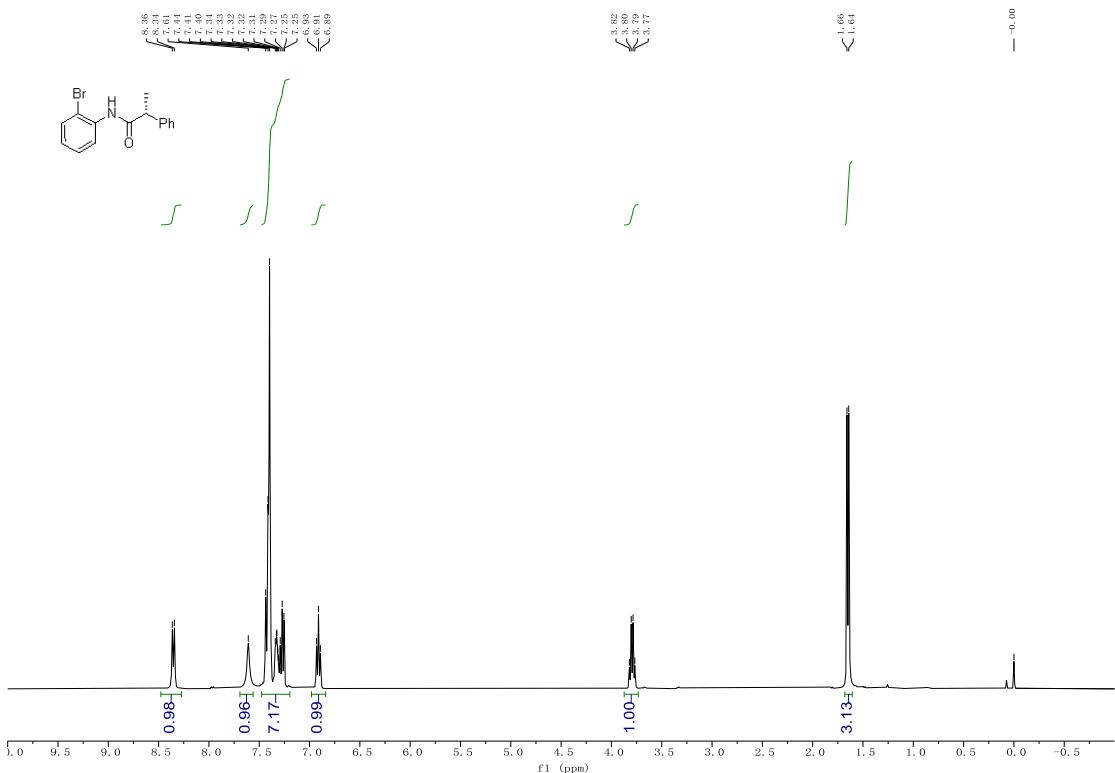
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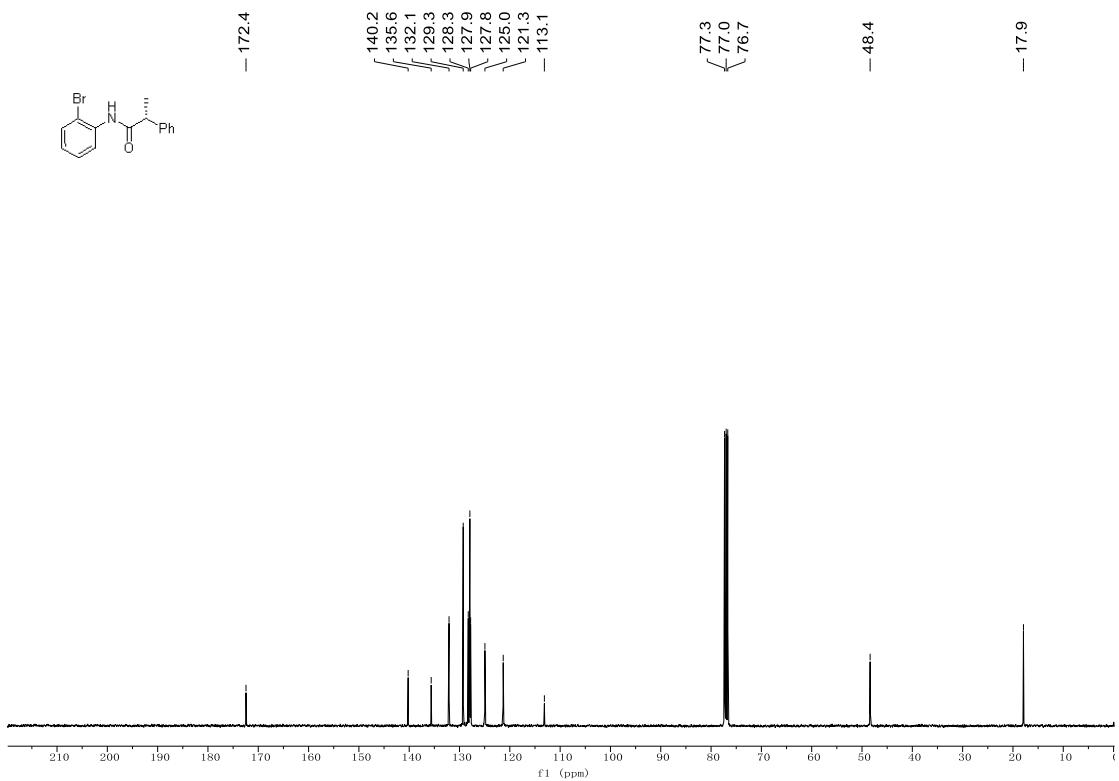
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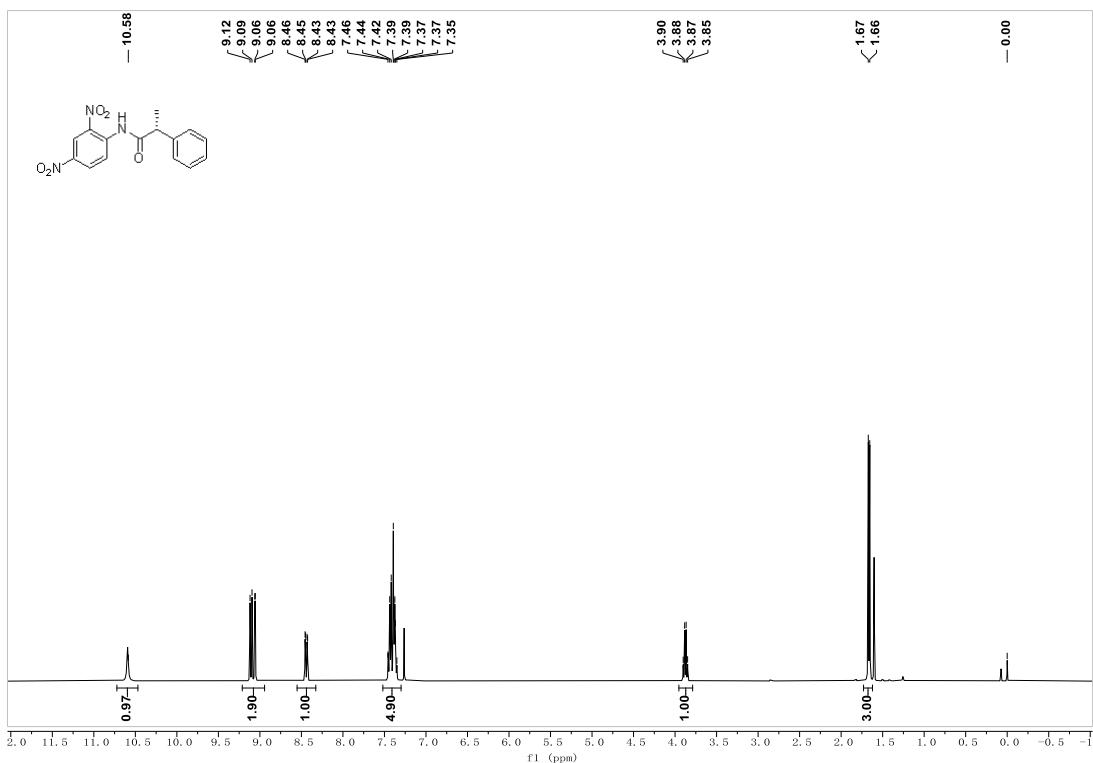
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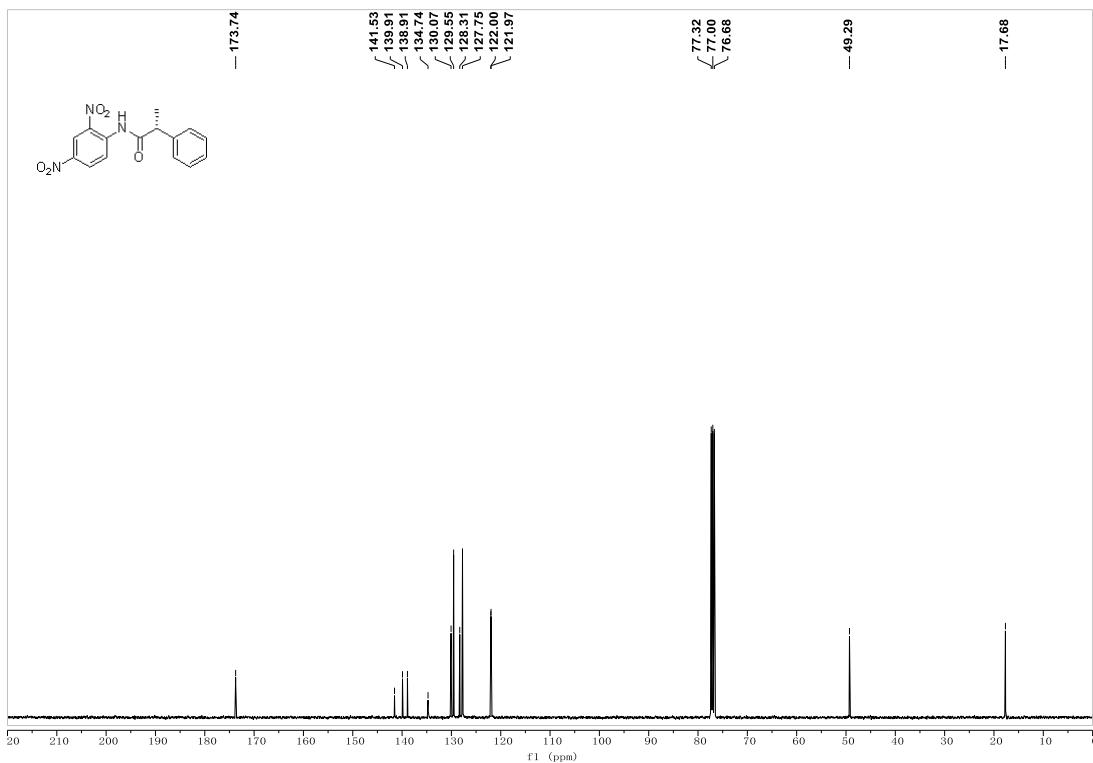
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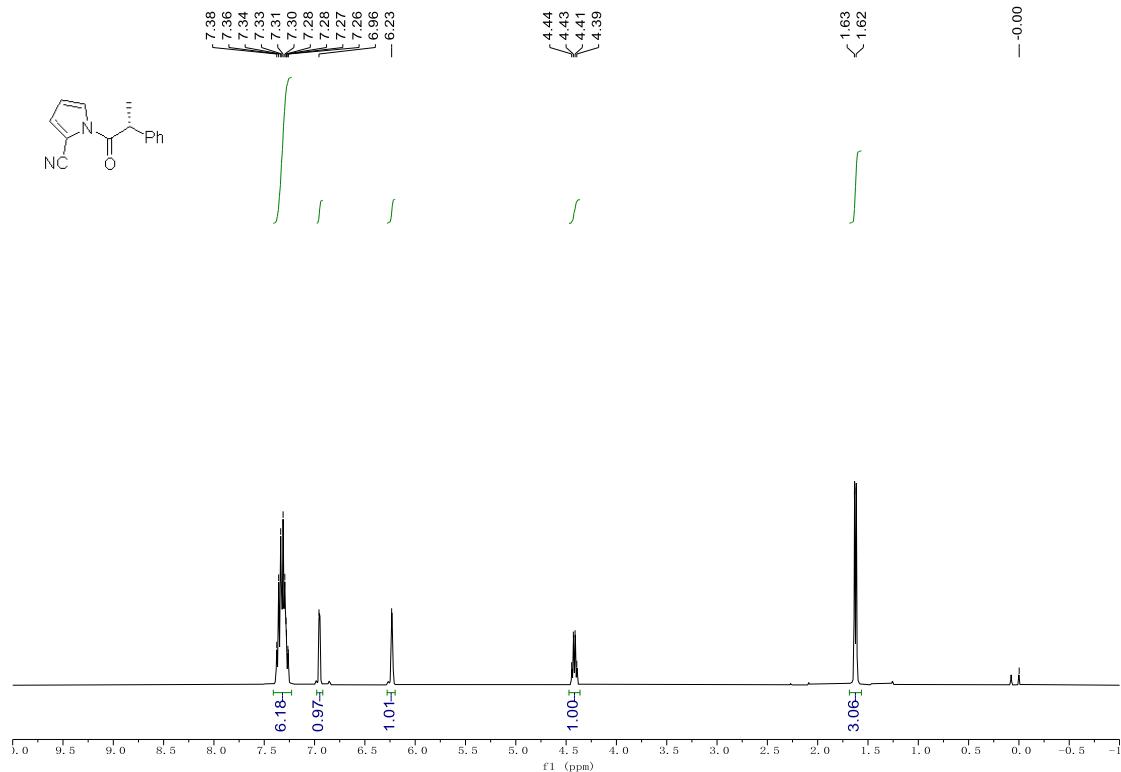
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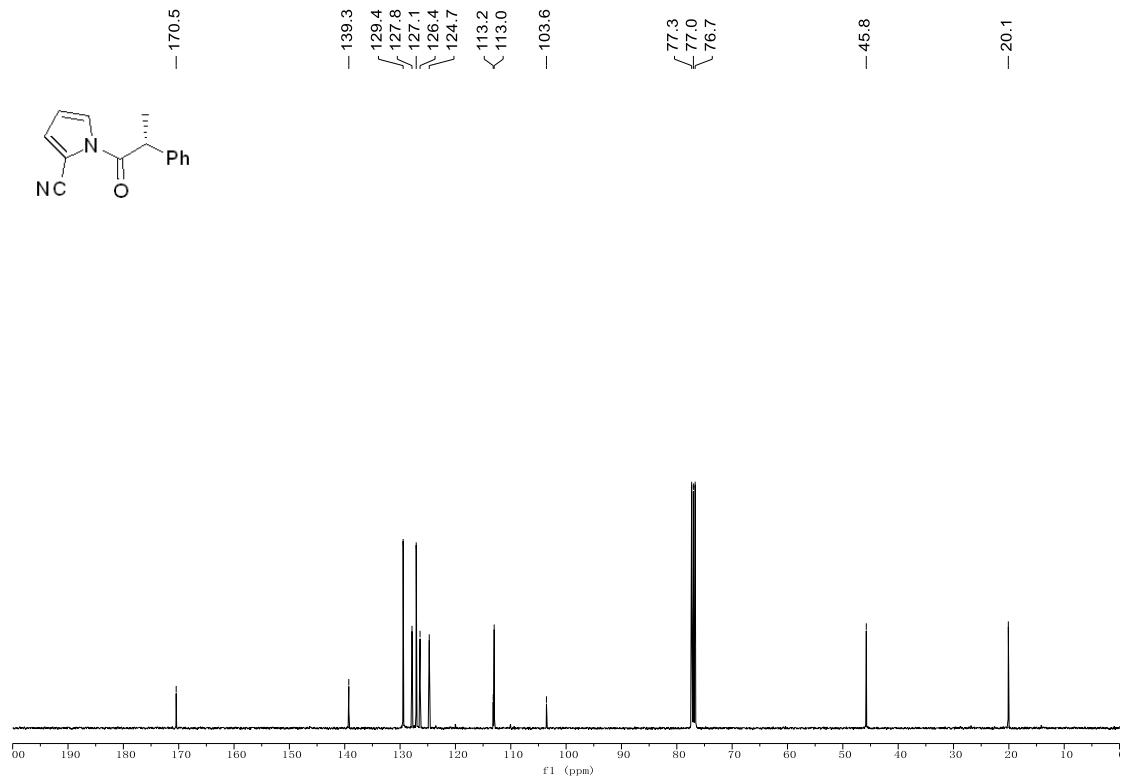
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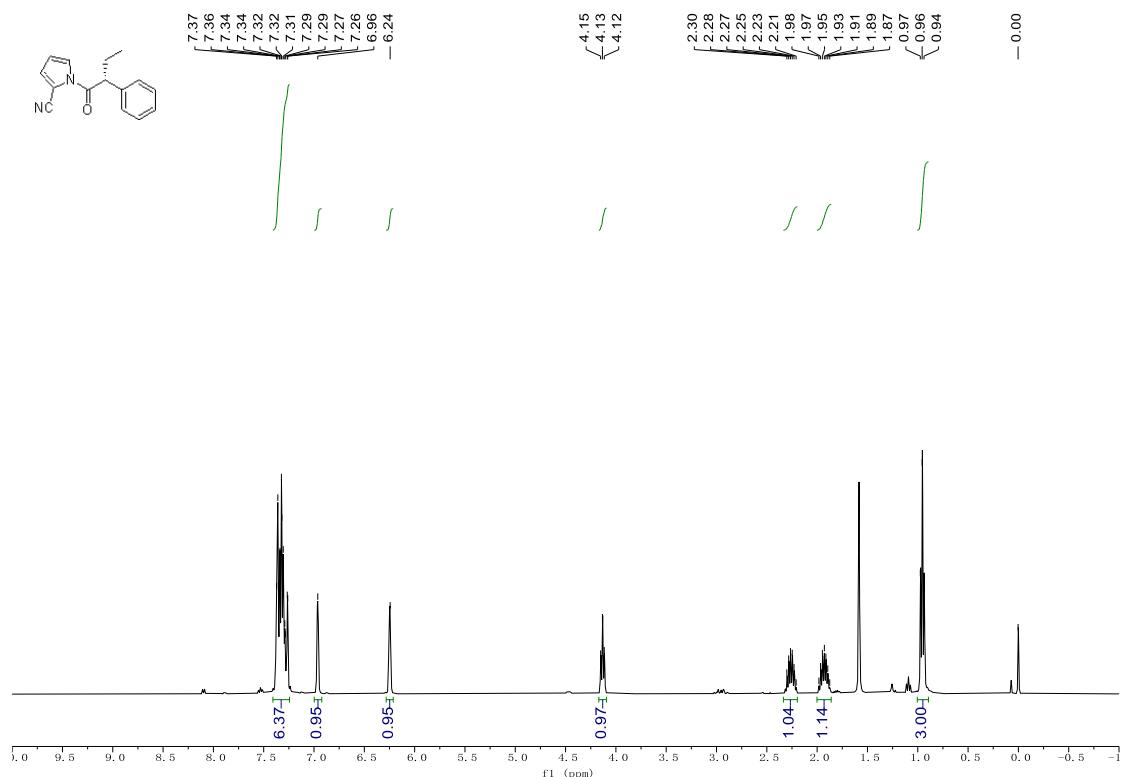
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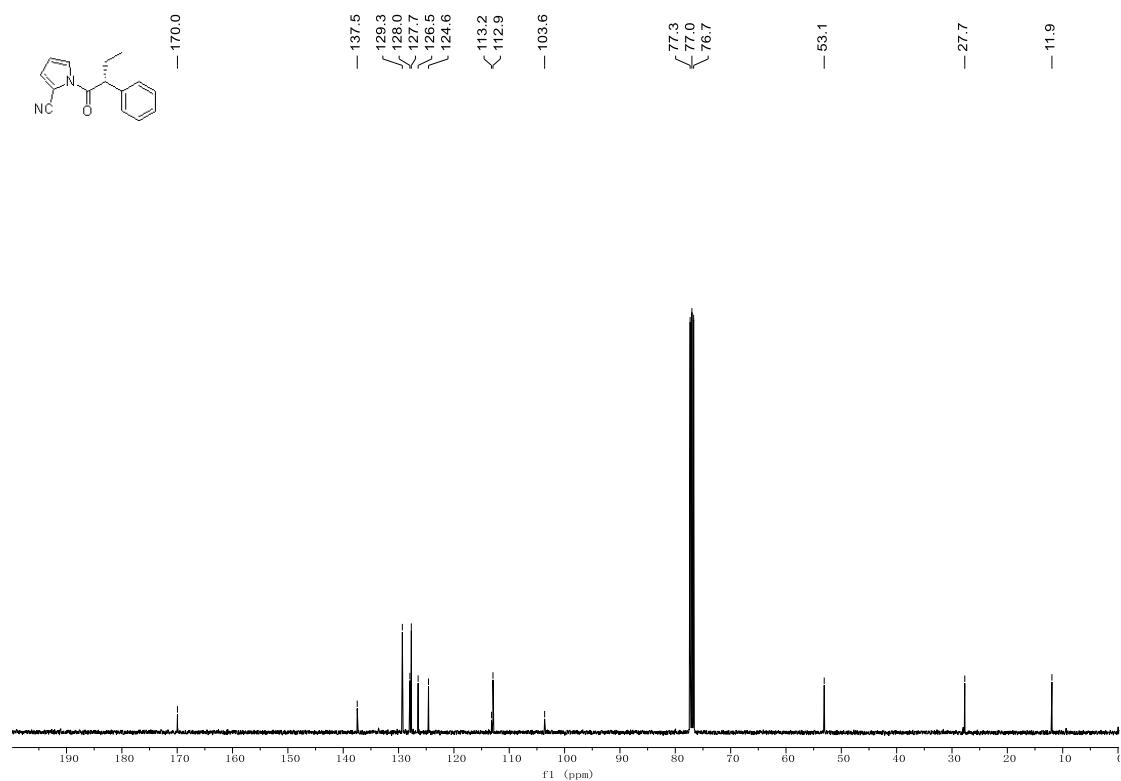
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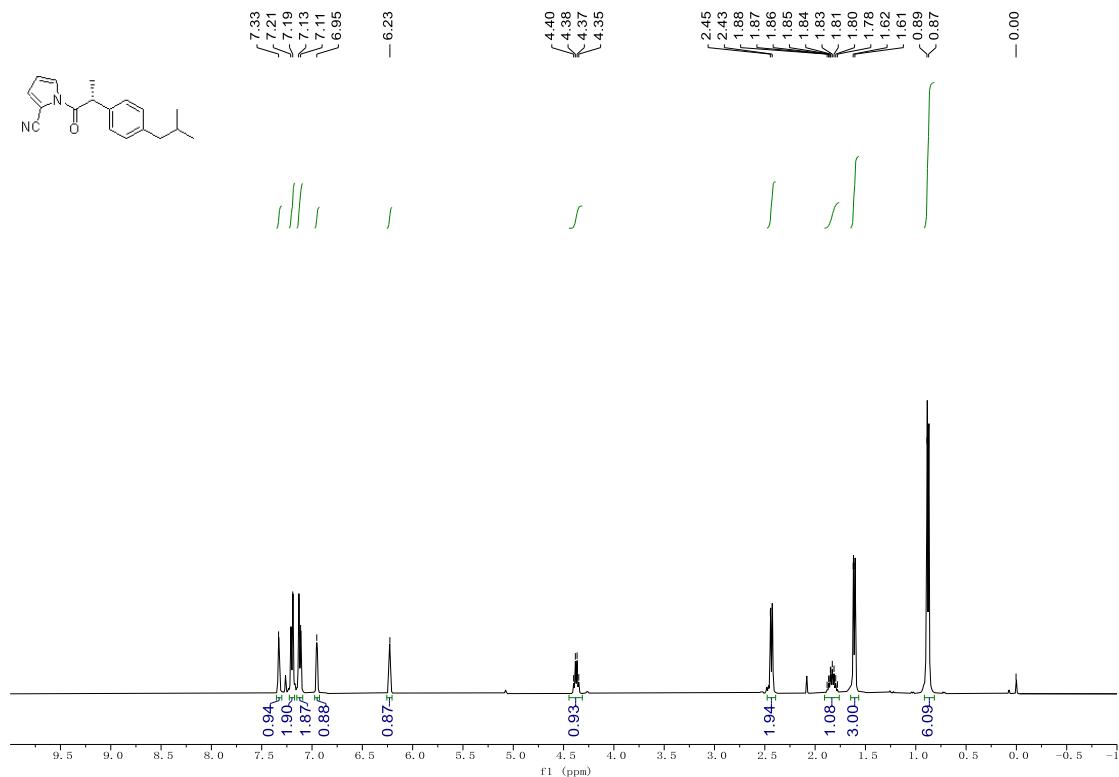
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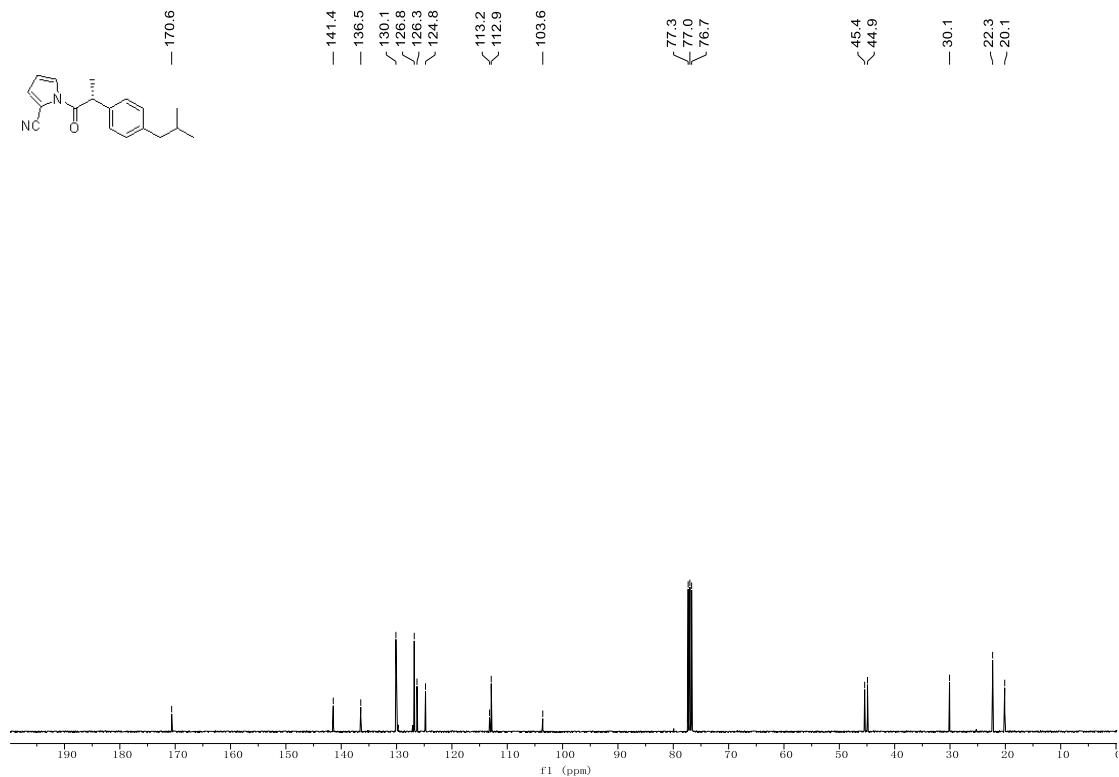
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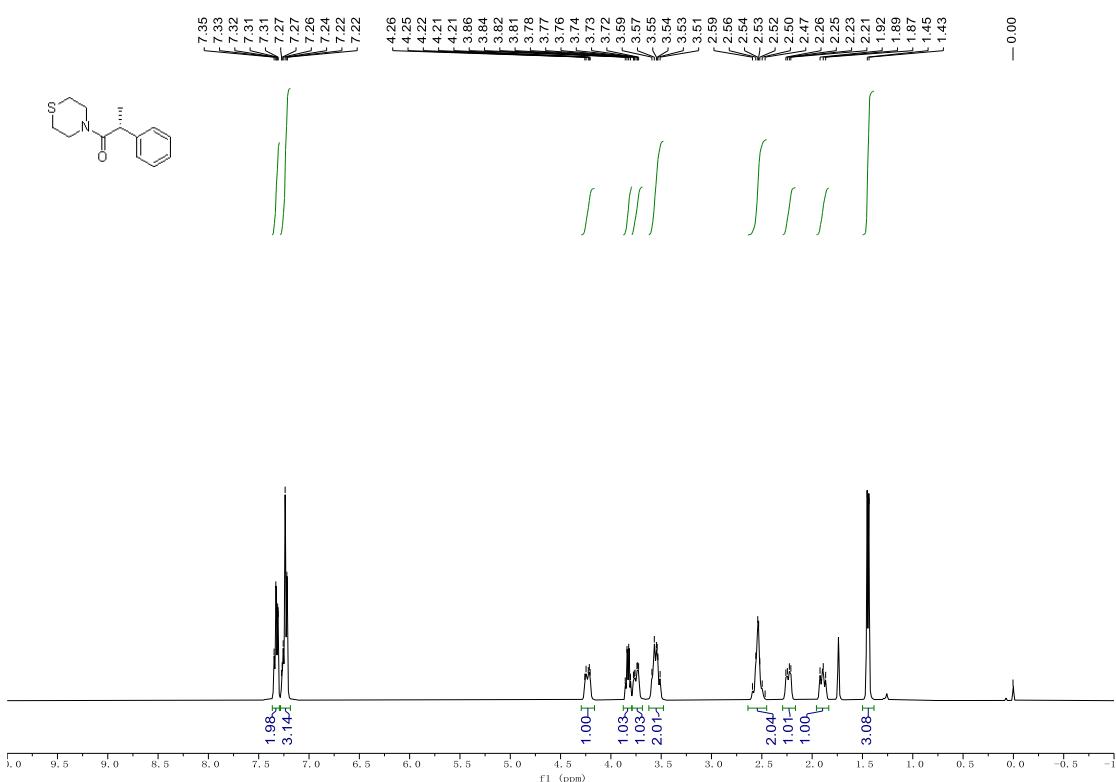
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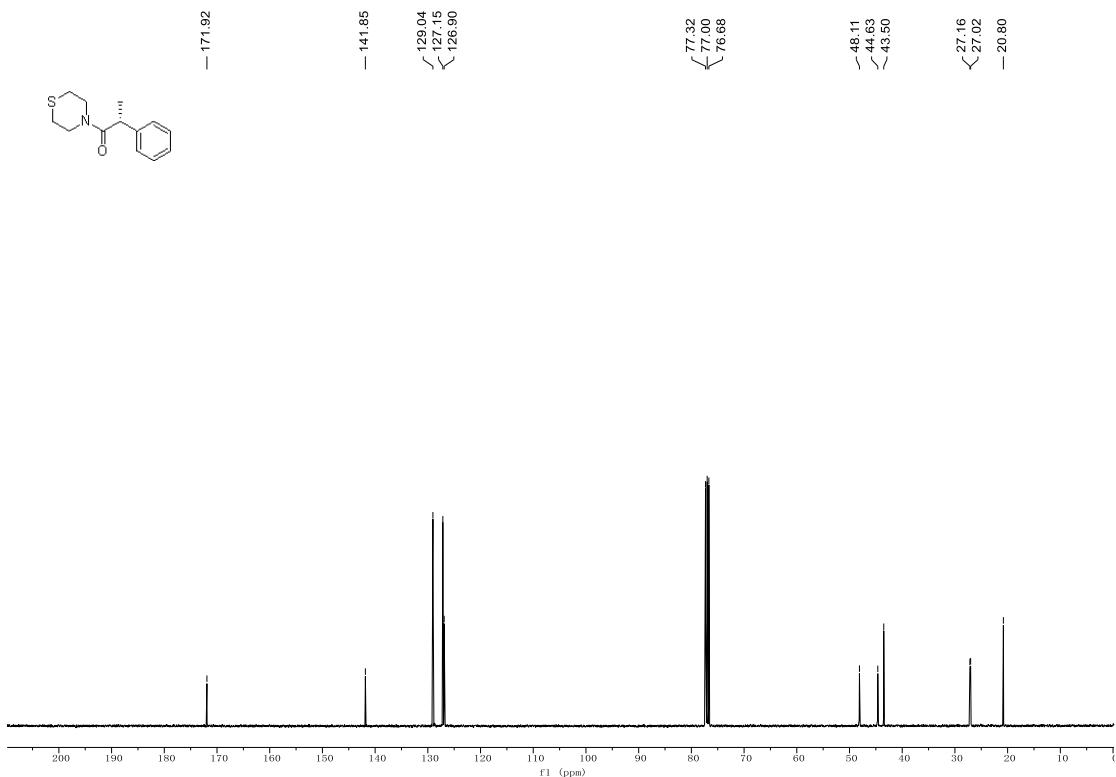
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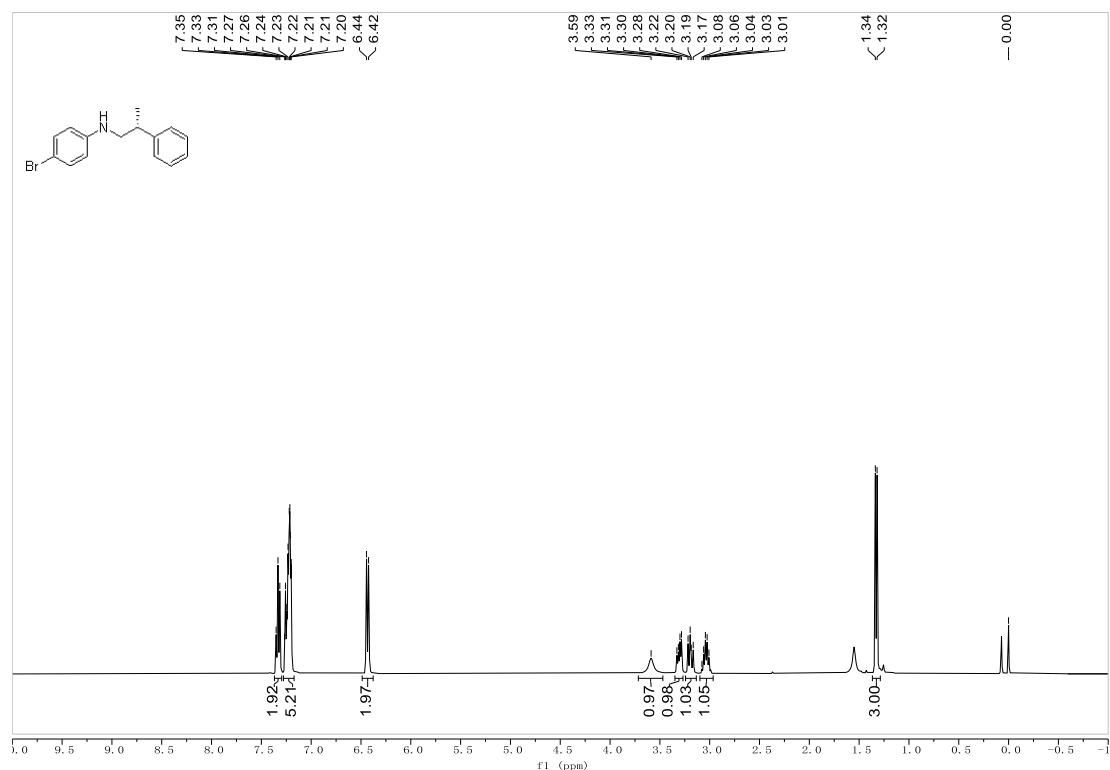
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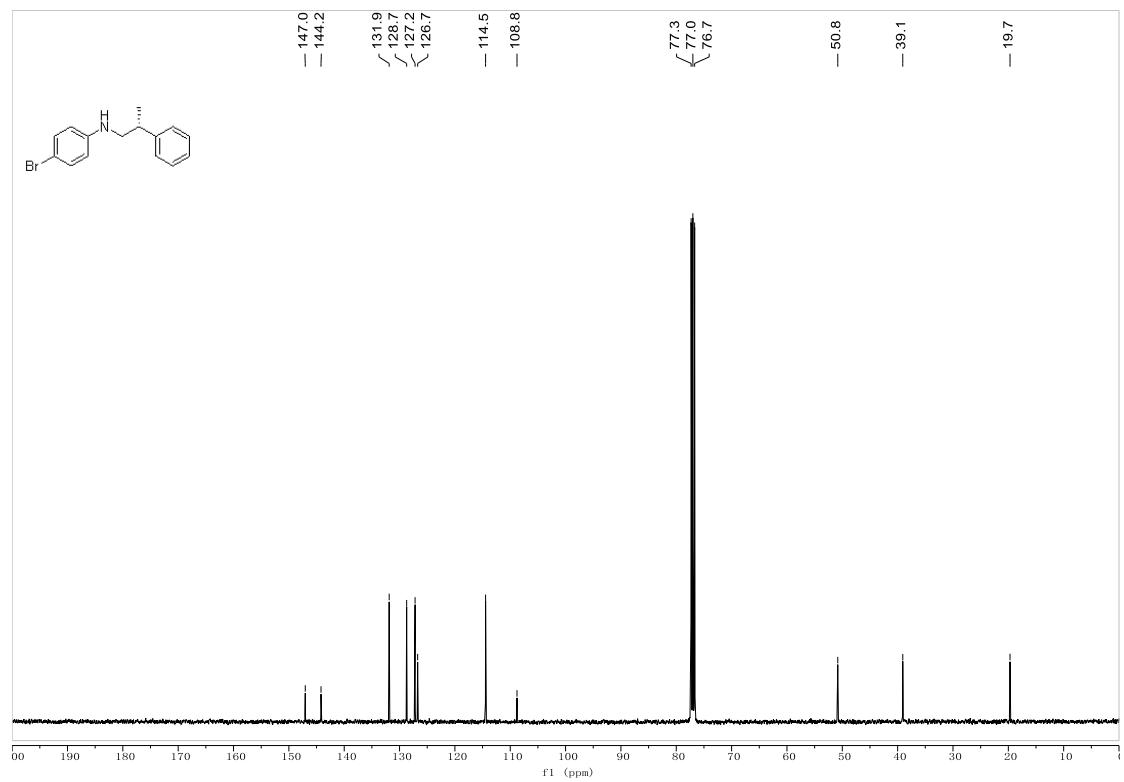
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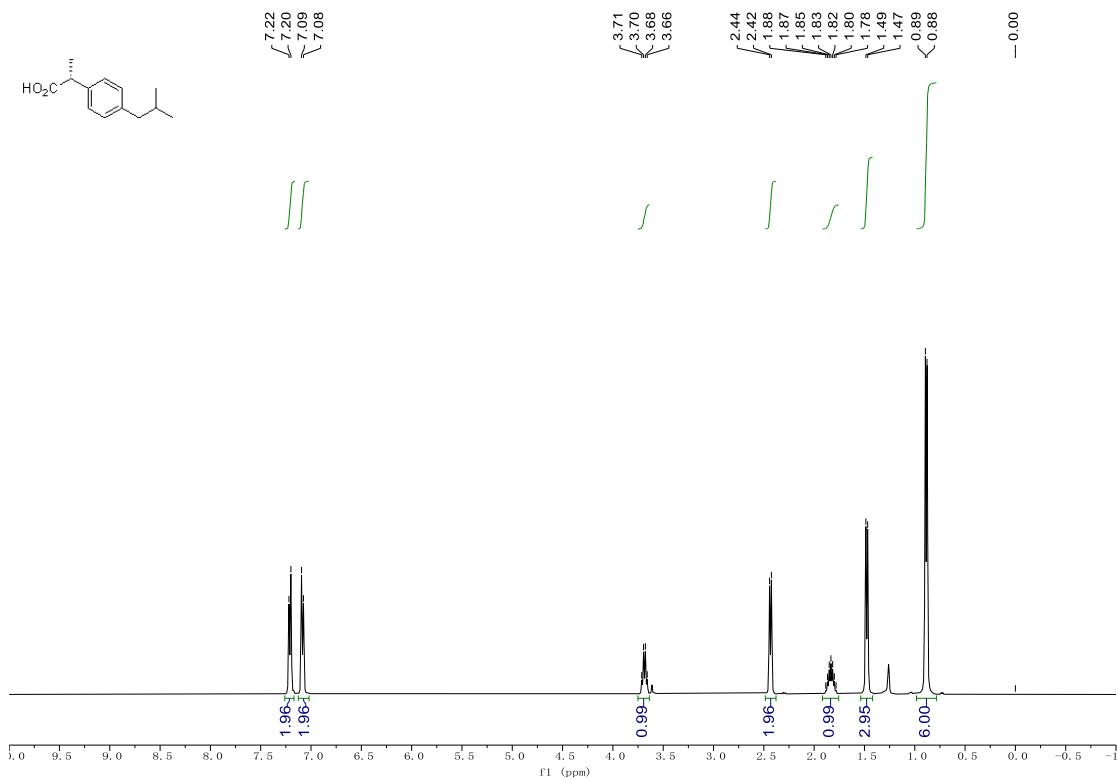
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<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of compound (**4**)



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