

Supporting Information

Solvent involved synthesis of pyrrolidin-5-one-2-carboxamides via a sequential Ugi/olefination reaction

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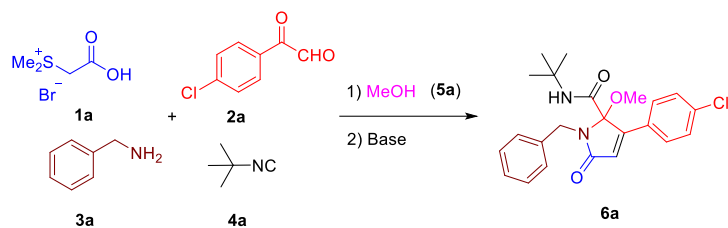
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1. General Information.

Unless otherwise noted, materials were purchased from commercial suppliers and used without purification. *N,N*-dimethylformamide (DMF) was distilled from K_2CO_3 under high vacuum and fractionated in an all-glass apparatus. Dichloromethane was freshly distilled from calcium hydride. Toluene was distilled from sodium/benzophenone. Other solvents were also purified before using. The material of the reaction vessel is Schlenk tube with common glass. No filters were used in the general procedures. Reactions were monitored by thin layer chromatography (TLC), and column chromatography purifications were performed using 200-300 mesh silica gel. 1H NMR spectra were recorded on 400 MHz spectrophotometers on Bruker AVANCE III. Solvent for NMR are $CDCl_3$ and $DMSO-d_6$. Chemical shifts are reported in delta (δ) units in parts per million (ppm) relative to the singlet (0 ppm) for tetramethylsilane (TMS), relative to the signal of chloroform ($\delta = 7.26$ ppm, singlet) and dimethyl sulfoxide- d_6 ($\delta = 2.50$ ppm, singlet). Data are reported as follows: chemical shift, multiplicity (s = single, d = doublet, t = triplet, m = multiplet, dd = doublet of doublets), coupling constants (Hz) and integration. ^{13}C NMR spectra were on recorded on 400 (101 MHz) with complete proton decoupling. Chemical shifts are reported in ppm relative to the central line of the heptaleet at 77.16 ppm for $CDCl_3$ and 39.52 ppm for $DMSO-d_6$. Melting point was measured with X-4 melting point instrument. High resolution mass spectra (HRMS) analysis was taken on a Shimadzu LCMS-IT-TOF mass spectrometer.

2. Optimization of Reaction Conditions

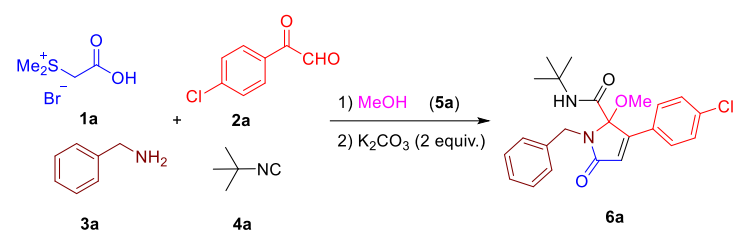
Table S1. The Effect of the Base on the Reaction^a



Entry ^a	Base	Yield ^b (%)
1	--	20
2	DBU	39
3	Et₃N	30
4	DMAP	Trace
5	<i>t</i>-BuOK	41
6	KOH	40
7	K₂CO₃	45

^aGeneral conditions: **1a** (0.24 mmol), **2a** (0.2 mmol), **3a** (0.24 mmol), **4a** (0.24 mmol), in MeOH (2 mL) at 25 °C for 24 h. Then base (0.4 mmol), 25 °C, 24 h. ^bYield of isolated product.

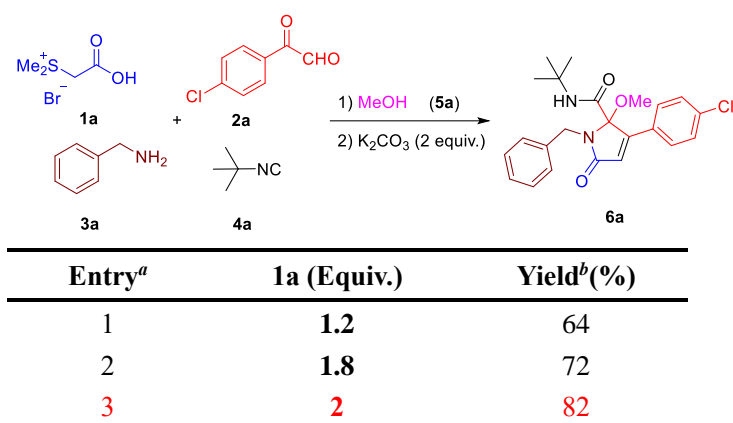
Table S2. The Effect of the Temperature on the Reaction^a



Entry ^a	Temp. [°C]	Yield ^b (%)
1	25	45
2	60	64
3	80	18
4	100	10

^aGeneral conditions: **1a** (0.24 mmol), **2a** (0.2 mmol), **3a** (0.24 mmol), **4a** (0.24 mmol), in MeOH (2 mL) for 24 h. Then K₂CO₃ (0.4 mmol), 24 h. ^bYield of isolated product.

Table S3. The Effect of the Equivalent on the Reaction^a



^aGeneral conditions: **1a**, **2a** (0.2 mmol), **3a** (0.24 mmol), **4a** (0.24 mmol), in MeOH (2 mL) at 60 °C for 24 h. Then K₂CO₃ (0.4 mmol), 60 °C, 24 h. ^bYield of isolated product.

Table S4. The Effect of the Time on the Reaction^a

Chemical reaction scheme showing the synthesis of compound **6a** from reagents **1a**, **2a**, **3a**, and **4a**. The reaction conditions are 1) MeOH (5a) and 2) K₂CO₃ (2 equiv.).

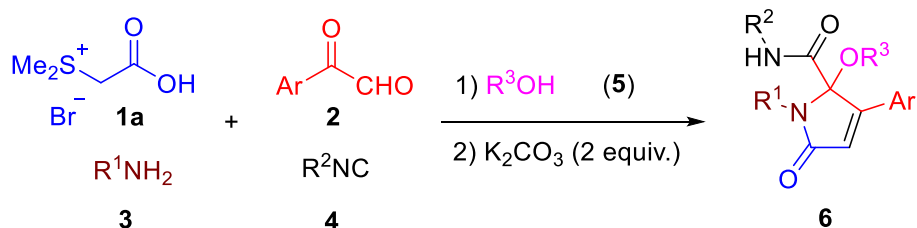
Entry ^a	Time. [h]	Yield ^b (%)
1	24, 24	82
2	36, 24	82
3	24, 12	57

^aGeneral conditions: **1a** (0.36 mmol), **2a** (0.2 mmol), **3a** (0.24 mmol), **4a** (0.24 mmol), in MeOH (2 mL) at 60 °C. Then K₂CO₃ (0.4 mmol), 60 °C. ^bYield of isolated product.

3. Preparation of Substrates

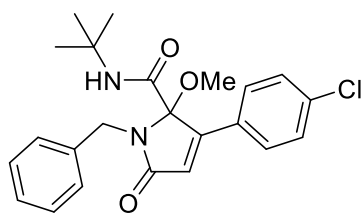
(Carboxymethyl)dimethylsulfonium bromide **1a** was prepared according to procedures.^[1] aryl glyoxal **2** were prepared according to procedures.^[2]

4. Preparation Characterization Data of Products **6**



A mixture of (Carboxymethyl)dimethylsulfonium bromide **1a** (80 mg, 0.4 mmol), aryl glyoxal **2** (0.2 mmol), amines **3** (0.24 mmol) and isocyanides **4** (0.24 mmol) was stirred in alcohols (2 mL) at 60 °C for 24 h. Then K_2CO_3 (55 mg, 0.4 mmol) was added, the reaction mixture was stirred at 60 °C for 24 h. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the residue was purified by silica gel chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 4:1) to afford pyrrolidin-5-one-2-carboxamides **6**.

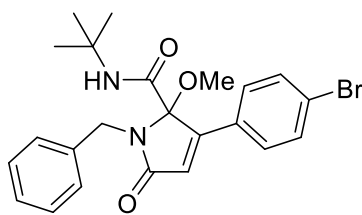
1-Benzyl-*N*-(*tert*-butyl)-3-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-methoxy-5-oxo-2,5-dihydro-1*H*-pyrrole-2-carboxamide (**6a**):



White solid, 67.6 mg, 82% yield; mp 192.2 – 194.1 °C. 1H NMR (400 MHz, $DMSO-d_6$): δ = 7.77 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.54 – 7.51 (m, 3H), 7.30 – 7.29 (m, 4H), 7.24 – 7.22 (m, 1H), 7.06 (s, 1H), 4.47 (d, J = 15.7 Hz, 1H), 4.28 (d, J = 15.7 Hz, 1H), 2.84 (s, 3H), 1.11 (s, 9H). ^{13}C NMR

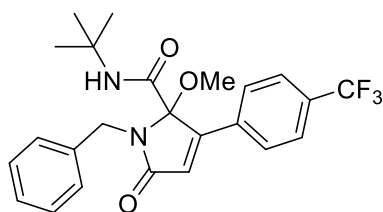
(101 MHz, $DMSO-d_6$): δ = 170.0, 164.1, 152.5, 137.3, 135.0, 128.9, 128.8, 128.4, 128.0, 127.8, 126.9, 123.9, 95.3, 51.1, 51.6, 42.0, 27.8. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[M+Na]^+$ calcd for $C_{23}H_{25}ClN_2NaO_3$ 435.1446, found: 435.1456.

1-Benzyl-3-(4-bromophenyl)-*N*-(*tert*-butyl)-2-methoxy-5-oxo-2,5-dihydro-1*H*-pyrrole-2-carboxamide (**6b**):



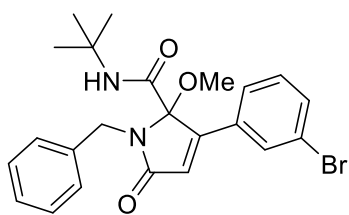
White solid, 54.7 mg, 60% yield; mp 171.4 – 173.2 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.52 – 7.50 (m, 2H), 7.47 – 7.45 (m, 2H), 7.36 – 7.34 (m, 2H), 7.31 – 7.27 (m, 3H), 6.88 (br, 1H), 6.66 (s, 1H), 4.69 (d, J = 15.4 Hz, 1H), 4.23 (d, J = 15.4 Hz, 1H), 2.79 (s, 3H), 1.25 (s, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ = 170.4, 164.2, 152.8, 137.0, 132.2, 129.0, 128.6, 128.4, 128.2, 127.5, 125.0, 124.1, 96.2, 51.9, 51.1, 43.2, 28.4. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{26}\text{BrN}_2\text{O}_3$ 457.1127, found: 457.1121.

1-Benzyl-N-(tert-butyl)-2-methoxy-5-oxo-3-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-2,5-dihydro-1H-pyrrole-2-carboxamide (6c):



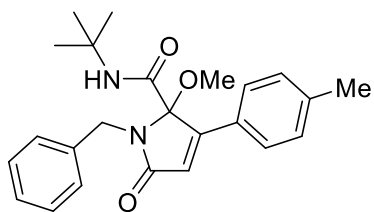
White solid, 50.0 mg, 56% yield; mp 171.4 – 173.2 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.72 – 7.70 (m, 2H), 7.65 – 7.63 (m, 2H), 7.37 – 7.35 (m, 2H), 7.32 – 7.29 (m, 2H), 7.27 – 7.23 (m, 1H), 6.90 (br, 1H), 6.75 (s, 1H), 4.71 (d, J = 15.4 Hz, 1H), 4.25 (d, J = 15.4 Hz, 1H), 2.81 (s, 3H), 1.26 (s, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ = 170.0, 164.1, 152.5, 136.9, 133.5, 132.6 (q, J = 32.8 Hz), 128.6, 128.5, 127.6, 127.0, 126.0 (m), 125.9 (m), 125.9(0), 96.4, 52.0, 51.2, 43.4, 28.5. ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ = -63.0 (s, 3F). HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{25}\text{F}_3\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_3$ 469.1709, found: 469.1714.

1-Benzyl-3-(3-bromophenyl)-N-(tert-butyl)-2-methoxy-5-oxo-2,5-dihydro-1H-pyrrole-2-carboxamide (6d):



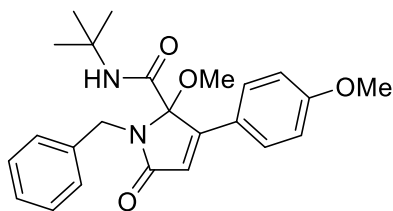
White solid, 52.9 mg, 58% yield; mp 188.1 – 190.1 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.72 (t, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.52 (t, J = 9.3 Hz, 2H), 7.36 – 7.35 (m, 2H), 7.32 – 7.23 (m, 4H), 6.95 (br, 1H), 6.67 (s, 1H), 4.72 (d, J = 15.3 Hz, 1H), 4.20 (d, J = 15.3 Hz, 1H), 2.79 (s, 3H), 1.29 (s, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ = 170.2, 164.1, 152.4, 137.0, 133.3, 132.0, 130.5, 129.5, 128.6, 128.4, 127.5, 125.5, 124.8, 123.1, 96.3, 52.0, 51.1, 43.4, 28.5. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{25}\text{BrN}_2\text{NaO}_3$ 479.0941, found: 479.0947.

1-Benzyl-N-(tert-butyl)-2-methoxy-5-oxo-3-(p-tolyl)-2,5-dihydro-1H-pyrrole-2-carboxamide (6e):



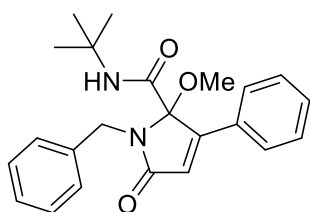
White solid, 47.1 mg, 60% yield; mp 163.4 – 165.2 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.49 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.37 – 7.35 (m, 2H), 7.31 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.25 – 7.23 (m, 1H), 7.18 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 6.89 (br, 1H), 6.61 (s, 1H), 4.72 (d, *J* = 15.4 Hz, 1H), 4.21 (d, *J* = 15.4 Hz, 1H), 2.78 (s, 3H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 1.26 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 170.9, 164.5, 154.0, 141.0, 137.3, 129.7, 128.6, 128.4, 127.4, 127.3, 126.7, 122.6, 96.5, 51.8, 51.0, 43.2, 28.5, 21.6. HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₄H₂₈N₂NaO₃ 415.1992, found: 415.2002.

1-Benzyl-N-(tert-butyl)-2-methoxy-3-(4-methoxyphenyl)-5-oxo-2,5-dihydro-1H-pyrrole-2-carboxamide (6f):



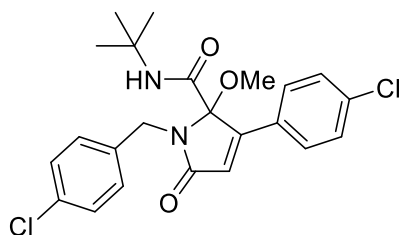
White solid, 50.6 mg, 62% yield; mp 163.4 – 165.2 °C ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.48 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 7.30 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.23 – 7.19 (m, 2H), 7.17 – 7.13 (m, 1H), 6.82 – 6.79 (m, 3H), 6.45 (s, 1H), 4.63 (d, *J* = 15.4 Hz, 1H), 4.14 (d, *J* = 15.4 Hz, 1H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 2.71 (s, 3H), 1.18 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 171.0, 164.6, 161.4, 153.7, 137.4, 128.6, 128.4, 128.3(5), 127.3, 122.7, 121.2, 114.3, 96.4, 55.4, 51.8, 51.0, 43.2, 28.5. HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₄H₂₈N₂NaO₄ 431.1941, found: 431.1953.

1-Benzyl-N-(tert-butyl)-2-methoxy-5-oxo-3-phenyl-2,5-dihydro-1H-pyrrole-2-carboxamide (6g):



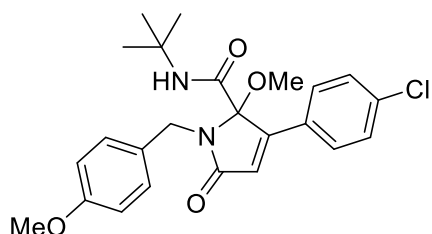
White solid, 57.5 mg, 76% yield; mp 142.6 – 144.7 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.60 – 7.58 (m, 2H), 7.39 – 7.36 (m, 5H), 7.32 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 7.24 – 7.22 (m, 1H), 6.90 (br, 1H), 6.66 (s, 1H), 4.73 (d, *J* = 15.4 Hz, 1H), 4.21 (d, *J* = 15.4 Hz, 1H), 2.80 (s, 3H), 1.26 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 170.7, 164.4, 154.0, 137.2, 130.6, 130.2, 129.0, 128.7, 128.4, 127.5, 126.8, 123.7, 96.5, 51.8, 51.1, 43.3, 28.5. HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₃H₂₆N₂NaO₃ 401.1836, found: 401.1838.

N-(tert-butyl)-1-(4-chlorobenzyl)-3-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-methoxy-5-oxo-2,5-dihydro-1H-pyrrole-2-carboxamide (6h):



White solid, 51.7 mg, 58% yield; mp 124.5 – 126.5 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.53 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.36 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.30 – 7.25 (m, 4H), 6.86 (br, 1H), 6.64 (s, 1H), 4.58 (d, J = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 4.26 (d, J = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 2.86 (s, 3H), 1.24 (s, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ = 170.4, 164.1, 152.9, 136.8, 135.5, 133.3, 129.9, 129.3, 128.6, 128.4, 128.0, 123.9, 96.1, 51.9, 51.2, 42.5, 28.4. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{24}\text{Cl}_2\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_3$ 469.1056, found: 469.1065.

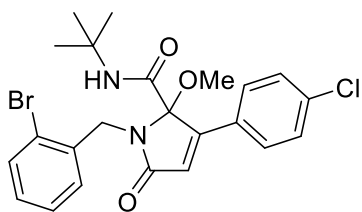
***N*-(tert-butyl)-3-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-methoxy-1-(4-methoxybenzyl)-5-oxo-2,5-dihydro-1H-pyrrole-2-carboxamide (6i):**



Colorless oil, 49.5 mg, 56% yield; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.55 – 7.51 (m, 2H), 7.37 – 7.33 (m, 2H), 7.29 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 6.91 (br, 1H), 6.85 – 6.81 (m, 2H), 6.63 (s, 1H), 4.67 (d, J = 15.3 Hz, 1H), 4.14 (d, J = 15.3 Hz, 1H), 3.77 (s, 3H), 2.79 (s, 3H), 1.28 (s, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ = 170.2, 164.2, 159.0, 152.6,

136.5, 129.9, 129.2, 129.1(5), 128.5, 127.9, 124.0, 113.7, 96.3, 55.3, 51.8, 51.0, 42.7, 28.4. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{27}\text{ClN}_2\text{NaO}_4$ 465.1552, found: 465.1563.

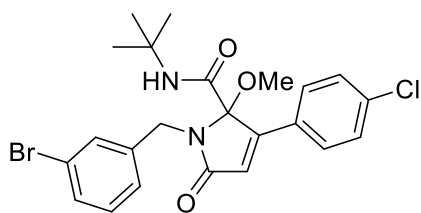
1-(2-Bromobenzyl)-*N*-(tert-butyl)-3-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-methoxy-5-oxo-2,5-dihydro-1H-pyrrole-2-carboxamide (6j):



Colorless oil, 54.9 mg, 56% yield; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.56 – 7.54 (m, 2H), 7.51 – 7.47 (m, 2H), 7.37 – 7.35 (m, 2H), 7.27 – 7.23 (m, 1H), 7.11 – 7.07 (m, 1H), 6.92 (br, 1H), 6.68 (s, 1H), 4.67 (d, J = 16.3 Hz, 1H), 4.57 (d, J = 16.3 Hz, 1H), 2.93 (s, 3H), 1.17 (s, 9H).

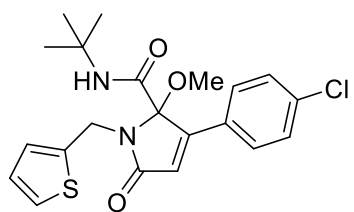
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1-(3-Bromobenzyl)-*N*-(tert-butyl)-3-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-methoxy-5-oxo-2,5-dihydro-1H-pyrrole-2-carboxamide (6k):



Colorless oil, 52.0 mg, 53% yield; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.53 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.48 (s, 1H), 7.39 – 7.35 (m, 3H), 7.32 – 7.28 (m, 1H), 7.20 – 7.16 (m, 1H), 6.86 (br, 1H), 6.65 (s, 1H), 4.58 (d, J = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 4.27 (d, J = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 2.87 (s, 3H), 1.25 (s, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ = 170.4, 164.0, 153.0, 139.2, 136.8, 131.5, 130.7, 130.2, 129.3, 128.5, 128.0, 127.3, 123.9, 122.4, 96.1, 52.0, 51.2, 42.6, 28.5. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{24}\text{BrClN}_2\text{NaO}_3$ 513.0551, found: 513.0554.

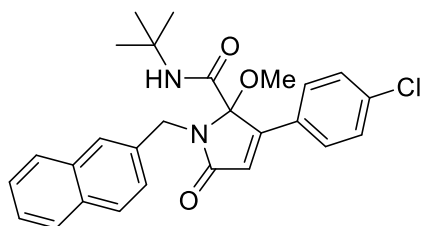
***N*-(tert-butyl)-3-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-methoxy-5-oxo-1-(thiophen-2-ylmethyl)-2,5-dihydro-1H-pyrrole-2-carboxamide (6l):**



Colorless oil, 55.2 mg, 66% yield; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.47 – 7.45 (m, 2H), 7.28 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.13 – 7.12 (m, 1H), 6.96 – 6.95 (m, 1H), 6.91 (br, 1H), 6.86 – 6.84 (m, 1H), 6.54 (s, 1H), 4.88 (d, J = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 4.22 (d, J = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 2.77 (s, 3H), 1.26 (s, 9H). ^{13}C

NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ = 170.0, 164.2, 152.9, 139.3, 136.8, 129.3, 128.6, 128.1, 127.4, 126.8, 125.4, 124.0, 96.4, 52.1, 51.2, 37.7, 28.6. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{23}\text{ClN}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}$ 441.1010, found: 441.1020.

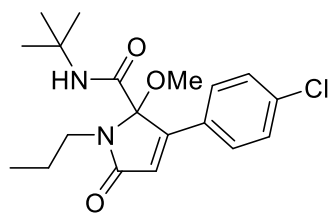
***N*-(tert-butyl)-3-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-methoxy-1-(naphthalen-2-ylmethyl)-5-oxo-2,5-dihydro-1H-pyrrole-2-carboxamide (6m):**



Colorless oil, 56.4 mg, 61% yield; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 8.24 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.78 – 7.71 (m, 2H), 7.50 – 7.46 (m, 1H), 7.43 – 7.39 (m, 4H), 7.35 – 7.31 (m, 1H), 7.25 – 7.23 (m, 2H), 6.76 (br, 1H), 6.58 (s, 1H), 5.37 (d, J = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 4.40 (d, J =

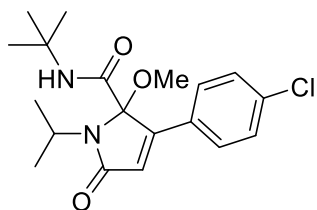
15.5 Hz, 1H), 2.34 (s, 3H), 1.19 (s, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ = 170.2, 164.2, 153.1, 136.7, 133.7, 132.5, 131.8, 129.2, 128.8, 128.6, 128.5, 128.0, 127.8, 126.6, 125.9, 125.1, 124.0, 123.9(7), 96.8, 52.0, 50.9, 41.6, 28.5. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{27}\text{ClN}_2\text{NaO}_3$ 485.1602, found: 485.1603.

***N*-(tert-butyl)-3-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-methoxy-5-oxo-1-propyl-2,5-dihydro-1H-pyrrole-2-carboxamide (6n):**



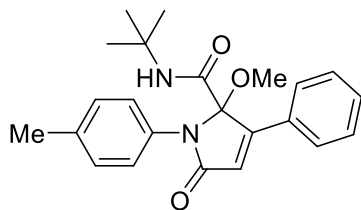
White solid, 47.3 mg, 65% yield; mp 144.2 – 146.5 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.54 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.37 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.96 (br, 1H), 6.58 (s, 1H), 3.23 – 3.15 (m, 2H), 3.10 (s, 3H), 1.75 – 1.55 (m, 2H), 1.37 (s, 9H), 0.93 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ = 170.4, 164.6, 152.2, 136.5, 129.2, 128.7, 128.0, 124.4, 95.9, 51.9, 51.0, 41.4, 28.6, 21.7, 11.8. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{25}\text{ClN}_2\text{NaO}_3$ 387.1446, found: 387.1448.

***N*-(tert-butyl)-3-(4-chlorophenyl)-1-isopropyl-2-methoxy-5-oxo-2,5-dihydro-1H-pyrrole-2-carboxamide (6o):**



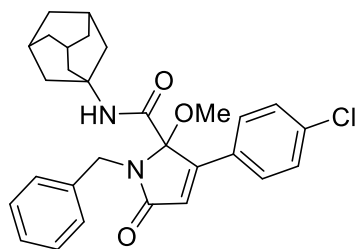
White solid, 45.9 mg, 63% yield; mp 152.2 – 154.3 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.52 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.36 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 6.93 (br, 1H), 6.51 (s, 1H), 3.63 – 3.56 (m, 1H), 3.16 (s, 3H), 1.48 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 1.39 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 1.37 (s, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ = 169.9, 164.6, 151.6, 136.4, 129.2, 128.7, 127.8, 125.4, 96.2, 51.8, 51.3, 44.9, 28.6, 20.7, 19.4. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{25}\text{ClN}_2\text{NaO}_3$ 387.1446, found: 387.1447.

***N*-(tert-butyl)-2-methoxy-5-oxo-3-phenyl-1-(*p*-tolyl)-2,5-dihydro-1H-pyrrole-2-carboxamide (6p)**



Colorless oil, 49.9 mg, 66% yield; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.67 – 7.64 (m, 2H), 7.43 – 7.41 (m, 3H), 7.27 – 7.18 (m, 4H), 6.74 (s, 1H), 6.71 (s, 1H), 3.35 (s, 3H), 2.35 (s, 3H), 1.13 (s, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ = 170.3, 164.2, 153.8, 137.3, 132.5, 130.8, 130.0, 129.6, 129.0, 127.0, 126.8, 124.1, 97.3, 51.6, 51.3, 28.2, 21.2. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{26}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_3$ 401.1836 found: 401.1842.

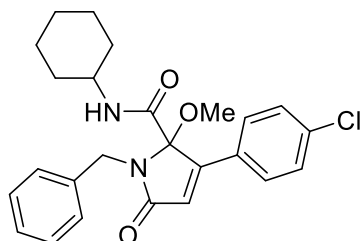
***N*-(adamantan-1-yl)-1-benzyl-3-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-methoxy-5-oxo-2,5-dihydro-1H-pyrrole-2-carboxamide (6q):**



White solid, 78.4 mg, 80% yield; mp 172.4 – 174.3 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.54 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.37 – 7.35 (m, 4H), 7.32 – 7.29 (m, 2H), 7.27 – 7.25 (m, 1H), 6.79 (br, 1H), 6.64 (s, 1H), 4.76 (d, J = 15.3 Hz, 1H), 4.17 (d, J = 15.3 Hz, 1H), 2.75 (s, 3H), 2.11 – 2.02 (s, 3H), 1.91 (q, J = 11.5 Hz, 6H), 1.68 – 1.63 (s, 6H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ = 170.4, 163.9, 152.8, 137.2, 136.6, 129.3, 128.7, 128.6, 128.5, 128.0, 127.5, 124.0, 96.4, 52.6, 51.1, 43.4, 41.3, 36.3, 29.4. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calcd for

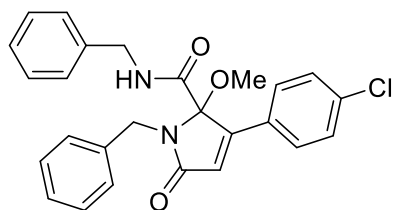
C₂₉H₃₁ClN₂NaO₃ 513.1915, found: 513.1926.

1-Benzyl-3-(4-chlorophenyl)-*N*-cyclohexyl-2-methoxy-5-oxo-2,5-dihydro-1*H*-pyrrole-2-carboxamide (6r):



White solid, 54.3 mg, 62% yield; mp 180.0 – 182.3 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.53 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.36 – 7.33 (m, 4H), 7.32 – 7.25 (m, 3H), 6.92 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.65 (s, 1H), 4.73 (d, *J* = 15.3 Hz, 1H), 4.16 (d, *J* = 15.3 Hz, 1H), 3.70 – 3.61 (m, 1H), 2.78 (s, 3H), 1.81 – 1.77 (m, 2H), 1.72 – 1.61 (m, 4H), 1.37 – 1.28 (m, 2H), 1.20 – 1.17 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 170.3, 164.3, 152.5, 137.0, 136.7, 129.3, 128.8, 128.6, 128.4, 128.0, 127.6, 124.1, 96.3, 51.0, 48.6, 43.5, 33.0, 32.8, 25.5, 24.9, 24.8. HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₅H₂₇ClN₂NaO₃ 461.1602, found: 461.1602.

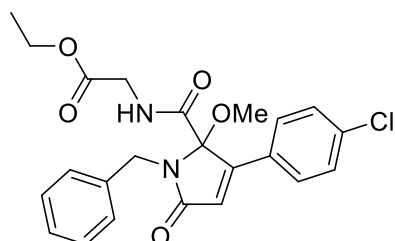
***N*,1-dibenzyl-3-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-methoxy-5-oxo-2,5-dihydro-1*H*-pyrrole-2-carboxamide (6s):**



White solid, 44.6 mg, 50% yield; mp 212.7 – 214.2 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 8.03 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.37 – 7.29 (m, 8H), 7.27 (s, 2H), 7.17 – 7.15 (m, 2H), 6.67 (s, 1H), 4.67 (d, *J* = 15.3 Hz, 1H), 4.47 – 4.41 (m, 1H), 4.25 (d, *J* = 15.3 Hz,

1H), 4.18 – 4.13 (m, 1H), 2.81 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 170.2, 165.4, 152.6, 137.4, 136.8, 136.7(7), 131.6, 129.4, 129.0, 128.8, 128.4, 128.3, 128.1, 127.6, 124.3, 96.3, 51.0, 43.9, 43.5. HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₆H₂₃ClN₂NaO₃ 469.1289, found: 469.1287.

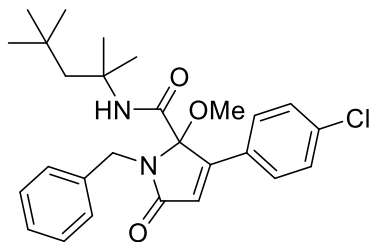
Ethyl(1-benzyl-3-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-methoxy-5-oxo-2,5-dihydro-1*H*-pyrrole-2-carbonyl)glycinate (6t):



White solid, 56.6 mg, 64% yield; mp 171.2 – 172.6 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.50 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.46 – 7.45 (m, 1H), 7.32 – 7.26 (m, 4H), 7.22 – 7.16 (m, 3H), 6.59 (s, 1H), 4.52 (d, *J* = 15.2 Hz, 1H), 4.35 (d, *J* = 15.2 Hz, 1H), 4.20 – 4.12 (m, 2H), 3.84 – 3.78 (m, 1H), 3.70 – 3.64 (m, 1H), 2.77 (s, 3H), 1.21 (t, *J* =

7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 170.0, 169.4, 165.9, 152.3, 136.9, 136.8, 129.5, 129.0, 128.3, 128.2, 128.0, 127.6, 124.1, 95.9, 61.9, 51.0, 43.2, 41.3, 14.2. HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₃H₂₃ClN₂NaO₅ 465.1188, found: 465.1194.

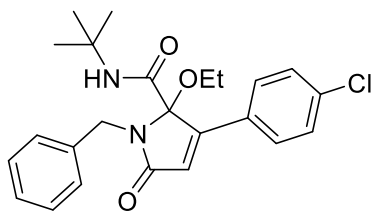
1-Benzyl-3-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-methoxy-5-oxo-*N*-(2,4,4-trimethylpentan-2-yl)-2,5-dihydro-1*H*-pyrrole-2-carboxamide (6u):



Colorless oil, 49.6 mg, 53% yield; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.55 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.37 – 7.34 (m, 4H), 7.31 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.25 – 7.24 (m, 1H), 7.05 (br, 1H), 6.65 (s, 1H), 4.70 (d, J = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 4.23 (d, J = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 2.82 (s, 3H), 1.58 (d, J = 1.4 Hz, 2H), 1.31 (s, 3H), 1.26 (s, 3H), 1.02 (s, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ =

170.4, 163.8, 152.7, 137.0, 136.6, 129.2, 128.6, 128.5, 128.4, 128.1, 127.5, 124.2, 96.5, 56.1, 54.2, 51.3, 43.2, 31.7, 27.7. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{33}\text{ClN}_2\text{NaO}_3$ 491.2072, found: 491.2083.

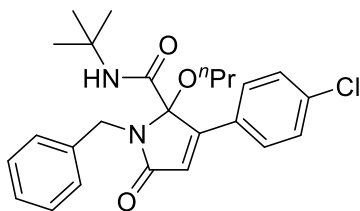
1-Benzyl-*N*-(tert-butyl)-3-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-ethoxy-5-oxo-2,5-dihydro-1*H*-pyrrole-2-carboxamide (6v):



Colorless oil, 52.0 mg, 61% yield; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.52 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.36 – 7.34 (m, 4H), 7.31 – 7.27 (m, 3H), 6.95 (br, 1H), 6.61 (s, 1H), 4.78 (d, J = 15.4 Hz, 1H), 4.13 (d, J = 15.4 Hz, 1H), 2.97 (q, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 1.29 (s, 9H), 0.73 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H). ^{13}C

NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ = 170.3, 164.4, 153.2, 137.2, 136.6, 129.2, 128.5, 128.4(8), 127.9, 127.5, 123.6, 95.9, 59.6, 51.9, 43.3, 28.5, 14.4. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{27}\text{ClN}_2\text{NaO}_3$ 449.1602, found: 449.1607.

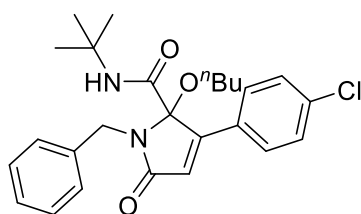
1-Benzyl-*N*-(tert-butyl)-3-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-oxo-2-propoxy-2,5-dihydro-1*H*-pyrrole-2-carboxamide (6w):



Yellow oil, 47.5 mg, 54% yield; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.45 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.28 (s, 1H), 7.25 – 7.23 (m, 2H), 7.21 – 7.14 (m, 4H), 6.86 (br, 1H), 6.54 (s, 1H), 4.67 (d, J = 15.4 Hz, 1H), 4.08 (d, J = 15.4 Hz, 1H), 2.85 – 2.72 (m, 2H), 1.24 – 1.22 (s, 2H), 1.20 (s, 9H),

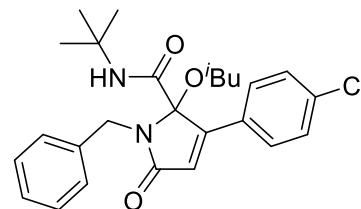
0.55 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ = 170.4, 164.4, 153.1, 137.2, 136.6, 129.2, 128.7, 128.5, 128.4(6), 127.9, 127.5, 123.6, 95.8, 65.4, 51.8, 43.3, 28.5, 22.1, 10.3. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{29}\text{ClN}_2\text{NaO}_3$ 463.1759, found: 463.1771.

1-Benzyl-2-butoxy-*N*-(tert-butyl)-3-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-oxo-2,5-dihydro-1*H*-pyrrole-2-carboxamide (6x):



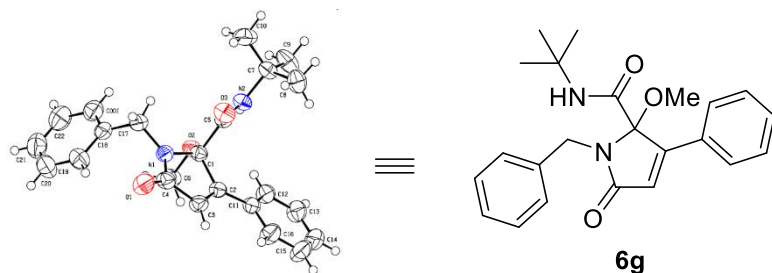
Yellow oil, 47.2 mg, 52% yield; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.47 – 7.45 (m, 2H), 7.29 – 7.26 (m, 4H), 7.24 – 7.17 (m, 3H), 6.86 (br, 1H), 6.56 (s, 1H), 4.69 (d, J = 15.4 Hz, 1H), 4.08 (d, J = 15.4 Hz, 1H), 2.88 – 2.78 (m, 2H), 1.21 (s, 9H), 1.08 – 0.83 (m, 4H), 0.65 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ = 170.4, 164.5, 153.2, 137.4, 136.6, 129.2, 128.7, 128.6, 128.5, 128.0, 127.5, 123.6, 95.9, 63.8, 51.8, 43.4, 30.9, 28.5, 19.2, 13.9. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{31}\text{ClN}_2\text{NaO}_3$ 477.1915, found: 477.1921.

1-Benzyl-*N*-(tert-butyl)-3-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-isobutoxy-5-oxo-2,5-dihydro-1*H*-pyrrole-2-carboxamide (6y):



Yellow oil, 45.4 mg, 50% yield; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.53 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.36 – 7.32 (m, 4H), 7.31 – 7.25 (m, 3H), 6.93 (br, 1H), 6.65 (s, 1H), 4.73 (d, J = 15.4 Hz, 1H), 4.19 (d, J = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 2.79 – 2.75 (m, 1H), 2.63 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 1.83 – 1.70 (m, 1H), 1.28 (s, 9H), 0.68 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 3H), 0.58 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ = 170.4, 164.5, 153.1, 137.3, 136.7, 129.2, 128.7, 128.5, 128.5(1), 128.0, 127.5, 123.6, 95.7, 70.0, 51.8, 43.4, 28.5, 27.8, 19.4, 19.0. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{31}\text{ClN}_2\text{NaO}_3$ 477.1915, found: 477.1917.

5. Crystal Structure of 6g

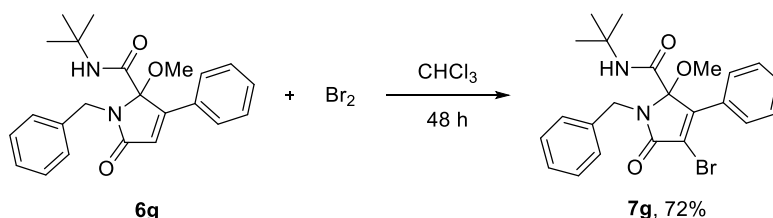


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γ/°	90
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Data/restraints/parameters	4172/0/257
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.082
Final R indexes [I > 2σ (I)]	R ₁ = 0.0596, wR ₂ = 0.1656
Final R indexes [all data]	R ₁ = 0.0656, wR ₂ = 0.1733
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6. Synthetic Application of the Reaction

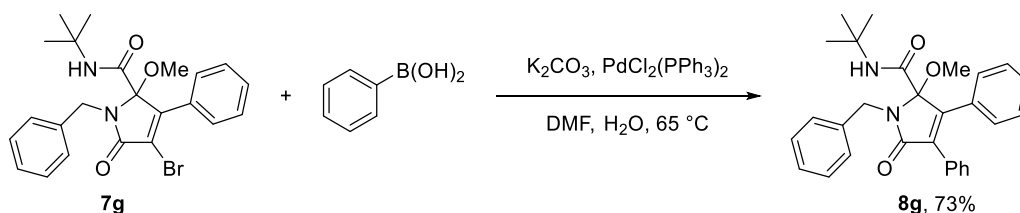
6.1 Derivatization of the **6g**, **7g** and **16g**

1) Synthesis of 1-benzyl-4-bromo-*N*-(*tert*-butyl)-2-methoxy-5-oxo-3-phenyl-2,5-dihydro-1*H*-pyrrole-2-carboxamide (**7g**)



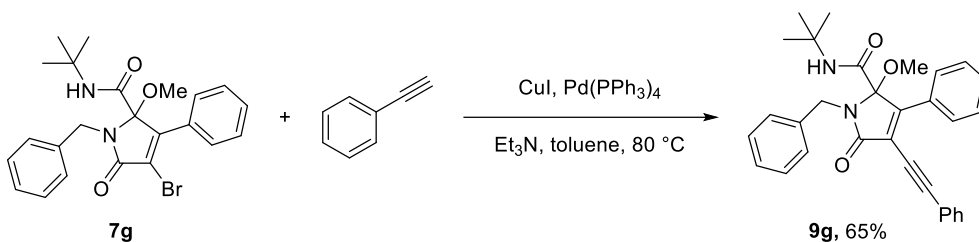
To a mixture of **6g** (0.2 mmol, 75.4 mg) in CHCl_3 (2 mL) was added liquid bromine (0.6 mmol, 31 μL). Under the nitrogen atmosphere, the obtained mixture was stirred at room temperature for 48 h. Then the mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1) to give **7g** (65.7 mg, 72% yield).

2) Synthesis of 1-benzyl-*N*-(*tert*-butyl)-2-methoxy-5-oxo-3,4-diphenyl-2,5-dihydro-1*H*-pyrrole-2-carboxamide (**8g**)^[3a]



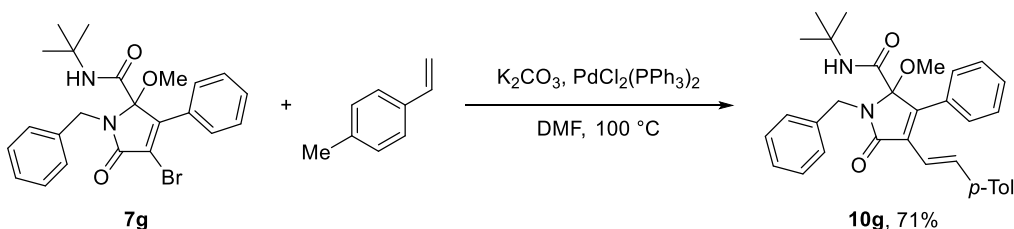
To a mixture of **7g** (0.2 mmol, 91.2 mg) and PhB(OH)_2 (0.4 mmol, 48.8 mg) in DMF (4 mL) was added $\text{PdCl}_2(\text{PPh}_3)_2$ (0.01 mmol, 7.0 mg). Under the nitrogen atmosphere, the obtained mixture was stirred for 30 min at room temperature. Then K_2CO_3 (0.4 mmol, 55.3 mg) in H_2O (1 mL) was added to the mixture, and the obtained mixture was placed in a preheated oil bath at 65 °C, and stirred at 65 °C for 12 h. Water (5 mL) was added to the reaction mixture, and the product was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (15 mL \times 3), and washed with brine (15 mL \times 2). The organic layer was dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 40:1) to give **8g** (66.3 mg, 73% yield).

3) Synthesis of 1-benzyl-*N*-(tert-butyl)-2-methoxy-5-oxo-3-phenyl-4-(phenylethynyl)-2,5-dihydro-1*H*-pyrrole-2-carboxamide (**9g**)^[3b]



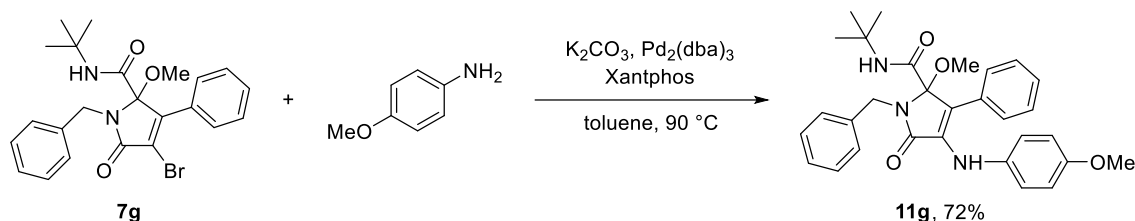
To a mixture of **7g** (0.2 mmol, 91.2 mg), CuI (0.004 mmol, 7.6 mg), Pd(PPh₃)₄ (0.010 mmol, 11.6 mg) in Et₃N (1 mL) and toluene (1.5 mL) was added ethynylbenzene (0.24 mmol, 24.6 μ L). Under nitrogen atmosphere, the obtained mixture was placed in a preheated oil bath at 80 °C, and stirred at 80 °C for 12 h. Water (2.5 mL) was added to the reaction mixture, and the product was extracted with EtOAc (15 mL \times 3), and washed with brine (15 mL). The organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 40:1) to give **9g** (62.2 mg, 65% yield).

4) Synthesis of (*E*)-1-benzyl-*N*-(tert-butyl)-2-methoxy-4-(4-methylstyryl)-5-oxo-3-phenyl-2,5-dihydro-1*H*-pyrrole-2-carboxamide (**10g**)^[3b]



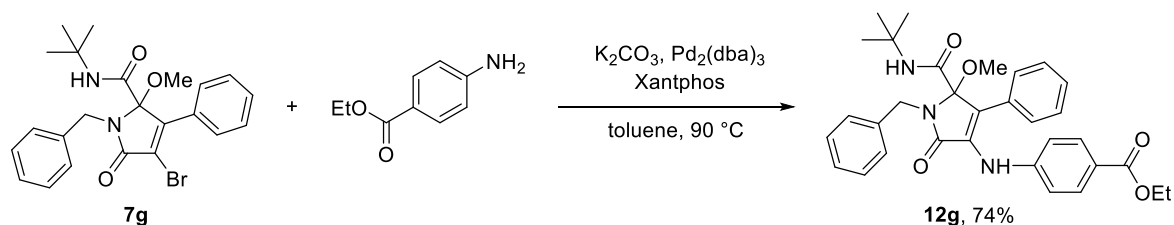
To a mixture of **7g** (0.2 mmol, 91.2 mg), K₂CO₃ (0.4 mmol, 55.3 mg) and PdCl₂(PPh₃)₂ (0.010 mmol, 7.0 mg) in DMF (2.0 mL) was added 4-methylstyrene (0.4 mmol, 53 μ L). Under nitrogen atmosphere, the obtained mixture was placed in a preheated oil bath at 100 °C, and stirred at 100 °C for 12 h. Saturated NaHCO₃ aqueous solution (5.0 mL) was added to the reaction mixture, and the product was extracted with EtOAc (15 mL \times 3), and washed with brine (15 mL). The organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 40:1) to give **10g** (70.2 mg, 71% yield).

5) Synthesis of 1-benzyl-*N*-(tert-butyl)-2-methoxy-4-((4-methoxyphenyl)amino)-5-oxo-3-phenyl-2,5-dihydro-1*H*-pyrrole-2-carboxamide (**11g**)^[3b]



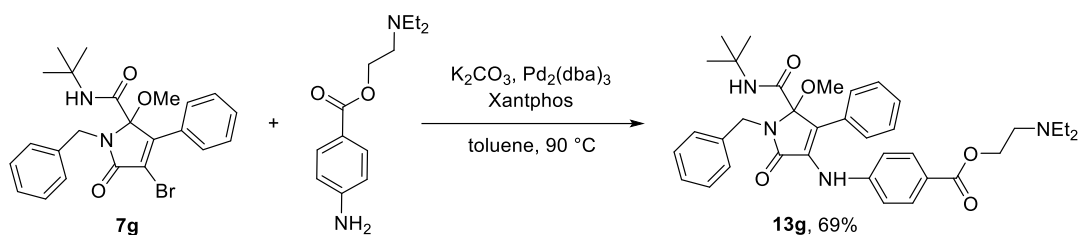
To a mixture of **7g** (0.2 mmol, 91.2 mg), K_2CO_3 (0.4 mmol, 55.3 mg), $\text{Pd}_2(\text{dba})_3$ (0.005 mmol, 4.6 mg) and Xantphos (0.010 mmol, 5.8 mg) in toluene (2.0 mL) was added *p*-methoxybenzamide (0.24 mmol, 29.5 mg). Under nitrogen atmosphere, the obtained mixture was placed in a preheated oil bath at 90 °C, and stirred at 90 °C for 12 h. Saturated NaHCO_3 aqueous solution (5.0 mL) was added to the reaction mixture, and the product was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (15 mL \times 3). The organic layer was dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 40:1) to give **11g** (71.9 mg, 72% yield).

6) Synthesis of Ethyl 4-((1-benzyl-5-(tert-butylcarbamoyl)-5-methoxy-2-oxo-4-phenyl-2,5-dihydro-1H-pyrrol-3-yl)amino)benzoate (**12g**)^[3b]



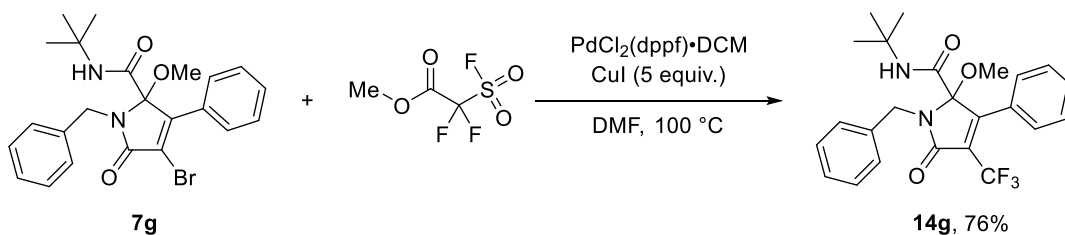
To a mixture of **7g** (0.2 mmol, 91.2 mg), K_2CO_3 (0.4 mmol, 55.3 mg), $\text{Pd}_2(\text{dba})_3$ (0.005 mmol, 4.6 mg) and Xantphos (0.010 mmol, 5.8 mg) in toluene (2.0 mL) was added ethyl 4-aminobenzoate (0.24 mmol, 39.6 mg). Under nitrogen atmosphere, the obtained mixture was placed in a preheated oil bath at 90°C, and stirred at 90 °C for 12 h. Saturated NaHCO_3 aqueous solution (5.0 mL) was added to the reaction mixture, and the product was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (15 mL \times 3). The organic layer was dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 40:1) to give **12g** (80.1 mg, 74% yield).

7) Synthesis of 2-(diethylamino)ethyl 4-((1-benzyl-5-(tert-butylcarbamoyl)-5-methoxy-2-oxo-4-phenyl-2,5-dihydro-1H-pyrrol-3-yl)amino)benzoate (**13g**)^[3b]



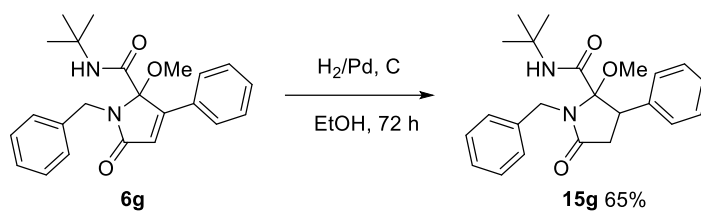
To a mixture of **7g** (0.2 mmol, 91.2 mg), K_2CO_3 (0.4 mmol, 55.3 mg), $Pd_2(dba)_3$ (0.005 mmol, 4.6 mg) and Xantphos (0.010 mmol, 5.8 mg) in toluene (2.0 mL) was added 2-(diethylamino)ethyl 4-aminobenzoate (0.24 mmol, 56.7 mg). Under nitrogen atmosphere, the obtained mixture was placed in a preheated oil bath at 90 °C, and stirred at 90 °C for 12 h. Saturated $NaHCO_3$ aqueous solution (5.0 mL) was added to the reaction mixture, and the product was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (15 mL \times 3). The organic layer was dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 40:1) to give **13g** (84.5 mg, 69% yield).

8) Synthesis of 1-benzyl-*N*-(tert-butyl)-2-methoxy-5-oxo-3-phenyl-4-(trifluoromethyl)-2,5-dihydro-1*H*-pyrrole-2-carboxamide (**14g**)^[4]



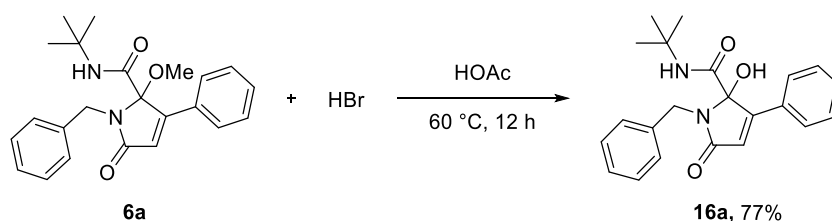
To a mixture of **7g** (0.2 mmol, 91.2 mg), CuI (1.18 mmol, 226 mg) and $Pd(dppf)Cl_2 \cdot DCM$ (0.001 mmol, 8 mg) in DMF (2.0 mL) was added methyl 2,2-difluoro-2-(fluorosulfonyl)acetate (1.18 mmol, 227 mg). Under nitrogen atmosphere, the obtained mixture was placed in a preheated oil bath at 100 °C, and stirred at 100 °C for 24 h. Saturated $NaHCO_3$ aqueous solution (5.0 mL) was added to the reaction mixture, and the product was extracted with $EtOAc$ (15 mL \times 3), and washed with brine (15 mL). The organic layer was dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1) to give **14g** (67.8 mg, 76% yield).

9) Synthesis of 2-(diethylamino)ethyl 4-((1-benzyl-5-(tert-butylcarbamoyl)-5-methoxy-2-oxo-4-phenyl-2,5-dihydro-1*H*-pyrrol-3-yl)amino)benzoate (**15g**)^[5]



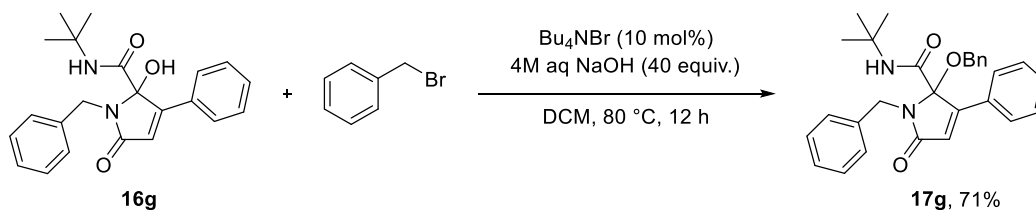
To a mixture of **6g** (0.2 mmol, 75.6 mg) in ethanol (2 mL) was added Pd/C 10% (10 mg). The mixture is placed under hydrogen at a pressure of two bars for 72 h. Then the mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate =2:1) to give **15g** (49.4 mg, 65% yield).

10) Synthesis of 1-benzyl-*N*-(tert-butyl)-2-hydroxy-5-oxo-3-phenyl-2,5-dihydro-1*H*-pyrrole-2-carboxamide (**16g**)



To a mixture of **6g** (0.2 mmol, 75.6 mg) in glacial acetic acid (2 mL) was added hydrogen bromide (48% in water, 2 mmol, 0.34 mL). Under the nitrogen atmosphere, the obtained mixture was stirred at 60 °C for 12 h. Then the product was extracted with DCM (15 mL \times 3), and washed with brine (15 mL). The organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1) to give **16g** (56.0 mg, 77% yield).

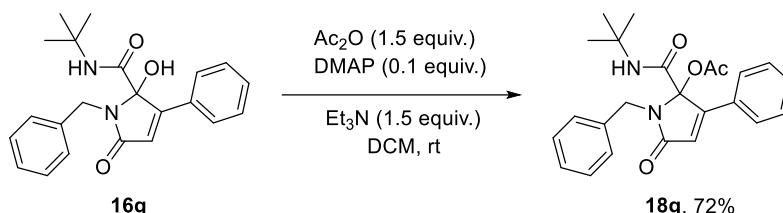
11) Synthesis of 1-benzyl-2-(benzyloxy)-*N*-(tert-butyl)-5-oxo-3-phenyl-2,5-dihydro-1*H*-pyrrole-2-carboxamide (**16g**)



To a mixture of **16g** (0.2 mmol, 72.8 mg), Bu₄NBr (0.002 mmol, 7 mg) and NaOH (8 mmol, 4M, aq.) in DCM (2.0 mL) was added benzyl bromide (0.6 mmol, 102 mg). Under nitrogen atmosphere, the obtained mixture was placed in a preheated oil bath at 80 °C, and stirred at 80 °C for 12 h. Then the product was extracted with DCM (15 mL \times 3), and washed with brine (15 mL). The organic layer

was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1) to give **17g** (64.5 mg, 71% yield).

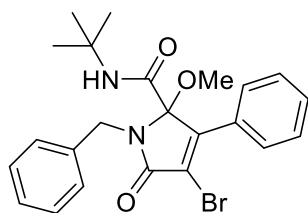
12) Synthesis of 1-benzyl-2-(tert-butylcarbamoyl)-5-oxo-3-phenyl-2,5-dihydro-1H-pyrrol-2-yl acetate (**18g**)^[6]



To a mixture of **16g** (0.2 mmol, 72.8 mg) in DCM (2 mL) at 0 °C was added DMAP (0.02 mmol, 3.2 mg), triethylamine (0.3 mmol, 43 µL) and Ac₂O (0.3 mmol, 28 µL). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 h. After addition of an appropriate volume of aqueous water, the product was extracted with DCM (15 mL × 3), and washed with brine (15 mL). The organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1) to give **18g** (58.5 mg, 72% yield).

6.2 Characterization Data of Products 7g-18g

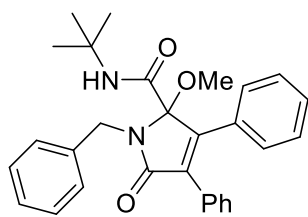
1-Benzyl-4-bromo-N-(tert-butyl)-2-methoxy-5-oxo-3-phenyl-2,5-dihydro-1H-pyrrole-2-carboxamide (**7g**):



White solid, 65.7 mg, 72% yield; mp 148.1 – 150.1 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.69 – 7.67 (m, 2H), 7.42 – 7.37 (m, 5H), 7.32 – 7.25 (m, 3H), 6.80 (br, 1H), 4.80 (d, *J* = 15.2 Hz, 1H), 4.20 (d, *J* = 15.2 Hz, 1H), 2.84 (s, 3H), 1.23 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 166.6, 163.5, 149.1,

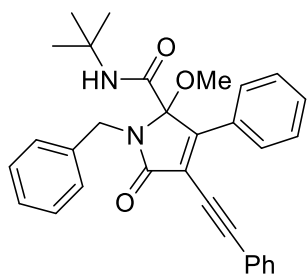
136.5, 130.3, 123.0, 129.0, 128.7, 128.5, 128.1, 127.7, 118.9, 96.9, 52.0, 51.2, 44.7, 28.41. HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₃H₂₅BrN₂NaO₃ 479.0941, found: 479.0946.

1-Benzyl-N-(tert-butyl)-2-methoxy-5-oxo-3,4-diphenyl-2,5-dihydro-1H-pyrrole-2-carboxamide (**8g**):



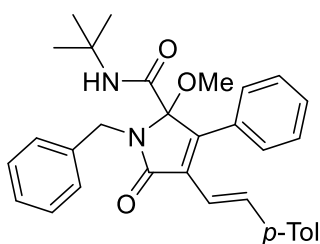
Colorless oil, 66.3 mg, 73% yield; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.40 – 7.34 (m, 4H), 7.24 – 7.17 (m, 11H), 6.77 (br, 1H), 4.73 (d, J = 15.1 Hz, 1H), 4.18 (d, J = 15.1 Hz, 1H), 2.85 (s, 3H), 1.13 (s, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ = 170.6, 164.5, 147.5, 137.1, 135.9, 131.5, 130.6, 130.0, 129.2, 129.0, 128.8, 128.6, 128.4, 128.3, 127.5, 115.5, 95.9, 51.8, 50.8, 44.2, 28.4. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{30}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_3$ 477.2149, found: 477.2158.

1-Benzyl-N-(tert-butyl)-2-methoxy-5-oxo-3-phenyl-4-(phenylethynyl)-2,5-dihydro-1H-pyrrole-2-carboxamide (9g):



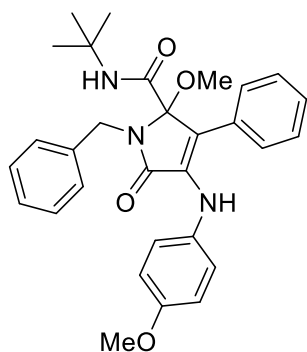
Colorless oil, 62.2 mg, 65% yield; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 8.10 – 8.07 (m, 2H), 7.60 – 7.57 (m, 2H), 7.42 – 7.40 (m, 4H), 7.38 – 7.35 (m, 3H), 7.32 – 7.23 (m, 4H), 6.88 (br, 1H), 4.78 (d, J = 15.3 Hz, 1H), 4.26 (d, J = 15.3 Hz, 1H), 2.82 (s, 3H), 1.25 (s, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ = 168.4, 164.4, 151.3, 136.9, 132.2, 130.8, 130.7, 129.3, 128.8, 128.7, 128.5, 128.4(6), 127.8, 127.6, 122.5, 119.1, 101.2, 95.9, 82.0, 51.9, 51.1, 43.9, 28.5. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{30}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_3$ 501.2149, found: 501.2157.

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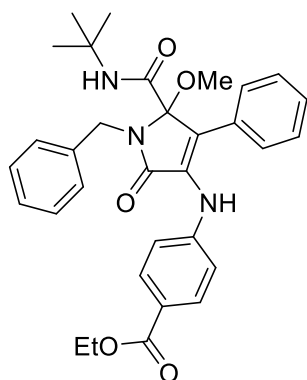
Colorless oil, 70.2 mg, 71% yield; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 8.08 (d, J = 16.3 Hz, 1H), 7.36 – 7.33 (m, 6H), 7.27 – 7.17 (m, 6H), 7.04 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 6.79 (d, J = 16.4 Hz, 2H), 4.72 (d, J = 15.1 Hz, 1H), 4.11 (d, J = 15.1 Hz, 1H), 2.76 (s, 3H), 2.25 (s, 3H), 1.15 (s, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ = 170.6, 164.7, 146.1, 138.5, 137.2, 136.7, 134.7, 132.1, 131.7, 129.4, 129.2, 129.0, 129.0(0), 128.7, 128.4, 127.5, 127.1, 116.9, 95.8, 51.8, 50.9, 44.0, 28.4, 21.4. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{34}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_3$ 517.2462, found: 517.2462.

1-Benzyl-N-(tert-butyl)-2-methoxy-4-((4-methoxyphenyl)amino)-5-oxo-3-phenyl-2,5-dihydro-1H-pyrrole-2-carboxamide (11g):



White solid, 71.9 mg, 72% yield; mp 182.1 – 184.1 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.34 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 7.26 – 7.16 (m, 3H), 7.99 – 6.95 (m, 3H), 6.92 – 6.90 (m, 2H), 6.80 (s, 1H), 6.59 (s, 1H), 6.50 – 6.43 (m, 4H), 4.72 (d, *J* = 15.2 Hz, 1H), 4.17 (d, *J* = 15.2 Hz, 1H), 3.59 (s, 3H), 2.75 (s, 3H), 1.15 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 168.8, 165.6, 155.1, 136.9, 132.1, 132.0(9), 131.6, 129.0, 128.4, 128.2, 127.5, 127.5(0), 127.0, 121.5, 113.5, 113.2, 96.3, 55.6, 51.6, 50.5, 44.3, 28.4. HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₃₀H₃₃N₃NaO₄ 522.2363, found: 522.2375.

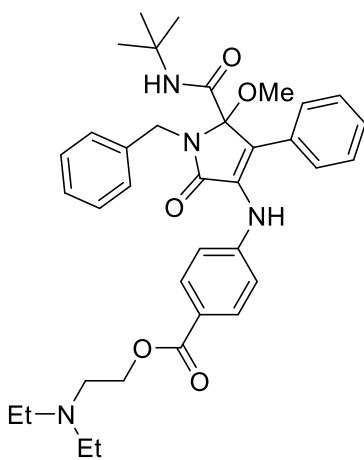
Ethyl-4-((1-benzyl-5-(tert-butylcarbamoyl)-5-methoxy-2-oxo-4-phenyl-2,5-dihydro-1H-pyrrol-3-yl)amino)benzoate (12g):



White solid, 80.1 mg, 74% yield; mp 211.6 – 213.3 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.59 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.34 – 7.32 (m, 2H), 7.26 – 7.16 (m, 3H), 7.07 – 7.01 (m, 6H), 6.81 (s, 1H), 6.51 – 6.47 (m, 2H), 4.72 (d, *J* = 15.2 Hz, 1H), 4.22 – 4.16 (m, 3H), 2.79 (s, 3H), 1.24 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H), 1.14 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 168.4, 166.4, 165.0, 143.1, 136.6, 131.3, 130.6, 130.2, 128.9, 128.4, 128.1, 128.0, 127.9(7), 127.6, 123.1, 119.2, 117.8, 96.2, 60.6, 51.7, 50.8, 44.3, 28.4, 14.4. HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z*:

[M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₃₂H₃₅N₃NaO₅ 564.2469, found: 564.2477.

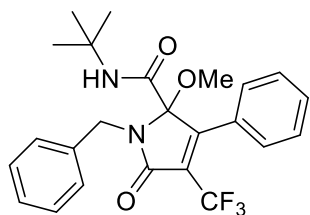
2-(Diethylamino)ethyl 4-((1-benzyl-5-(tert-butylcarbamoyl)-5-methoxy-2-oxo-4-phenyl-2,5-dihydro-1H-pyrrol-3-yl)amino)benzoate (13g):



Yellow solid, 84.5 mg, 69% yield; mp 150.3 – 152.2 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.77 – 7.57 (m, 2H), 7.59 – 7.57 (m, 2H), 7.34 – 7.32 (m, 2H), 7.25 – 7.18 (m, 5H), 6.82 (s, 1H), 7.55 – 6.47 (m, 2H), 4.72 (d, *J* = 15.2 Hz, 1H), 4.29 – 4.23 (m, 2H), 4.21 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 2.79 (s, 3H), 2.73 (t, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 2H), 2.57 – 2.51 (m, 3H), 1.14 (s, 9H), 1.02 – 0.95 (m, 6H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 168.4, 166.4, 165.0, 143.1, 136.6, 131.3, 130.6, 130.2, 128.9, 128.4, 128.1, 128.0, 127.9(6), 127.6, 123.1, 119.2, 117.8, 96.2, 60.6, 51.7, 50.8, 44.3, 28.4, 14.4.

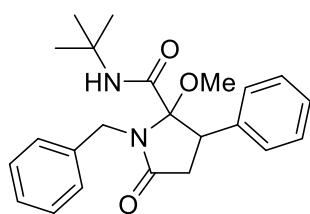
HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z*: [M+H]⁺ calcd for C₃₆H₄₅N₄O₅ 613.3384, found: 613.3392.

1-Benzyl-N-(tert-butyl)-2-methoxy-5-oxo-3-phenyl-4-(trifluoromethyl)-2,5-dihydro-1H-pyrrole-2-carboxamide (14g):



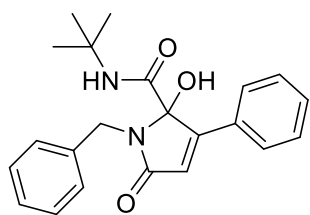
Colorless oil, 67.8 mg, 76% yield; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.38 – 7.34 (m, 2H), 7.32 – 7.29 (m, 3H), 7.25 – 7.19 (m, 5H), 6.64 (br, 1H), 4.69 (d, J = 15.1 Hz, 1H), 4.07 (d, J = 15.1 Hz, 1H), 2.80 (s, 3H), 1.13 (s, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ = 165.6 (m), 162.8, 157.6 (m), 136.2, 130.5, 129.2, 129.0, 128.6, 128.5, 128.4 (d, J = 1.7 Hz), 127.9, 126.5 (q, J = 33.8 Hz), 120.5 (d, J = 272.4 Hz), 96.2, 52.1, 51.4, 44.4, 28.4. ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ = -59.8 (s, 3F). HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{25}\text{F}_3\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_3$ 469.1709, found: 469.1718.

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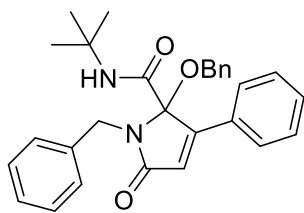
Colorless oil, 49.4 mg, 65% yield; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.37 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 7.28 – 7.26 (m, 4H), 7.24 – 7.21 (m, 4H), 6.20 (br, 1H), 4.59 (d, J = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 4.02 (d, J = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 3.76 – 3.71 (m, 1H), 3.35 – 3.28 (m, 1H), 3.12 (s, 3H), 2.77 – 2.71 (m, 1H), 0.86 (s, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ = 174.9, 166.1, 137.2, 135.2, 129.4, 128.6, 128.4, 128.3, 127.6, 127.4, 98.9, 50.8, 50.2, 45.0, 41.6, 34.5, 28.2. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{28}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_3$ 403.1992, found: 403.2001.

1-Benzyl-N-(tert-butyl)-2-hydroxy-5-oxo-3-phenyl-2,5-dihydro-1H-pyrrole-2-carboxamide (16g):



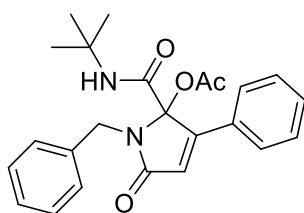
White solid, 56.0 mg, 77% yield; mp 182.0 – 184.0 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.50 – 7.48 (m, 2H), 7.31 – 7.30 (m, 3H), 7.27 – 7.19 (m, 6H), 6.41 (s, 1H), 5.01 (d, J = 14.9 Hz, 1H), 4.74 (s, 1H), 4.12 (d, J = 14.9 Hz, 1H), 1.05 (s, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ = 171.5, 165.4, 155.9, 136.7, 130.7, 130.6, 129.0, 128.9, 128.7, 128.0, 127.1, 120.7, 68.8, 51.7, 45.2, 28.3. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{24}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_3$ 387.1679, found: 387.1682.

1-Benzyl-2-(benzyloxy)-N-(tert-butyl)-5-oxo-3-phenyl-2,5-dihydro-1H-pyrrole-2-carboxamide (17g):



Colorless oil, 64.5 mg, 71% yield; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.59 – 7.56 (m, 2H), 7.32–7.29 (m, 5H), 7.23 – 7.09 (m, 6H), 6.88 (br, 1H), 6.66 (s, 1H), 6.62 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 2H), 4.79 (d, J = 15.4 Hz, 1H), 4.10 (d, J = 15.4 Hz, 1H), 3.89 (dd, J = 25.0, 10.3 Hz, 2H), 1.20 (s, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ = 170.8, 164.4, 154.4, 137.4, 135.9, 130.7, 130.1, 129.0, 128.7, 128.6, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 127.6, 126.9, 123.5, 96.4, 66.3, 51.9, 43.6, 28.5. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{30}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_3$ 477.2149, found: 477.2160.

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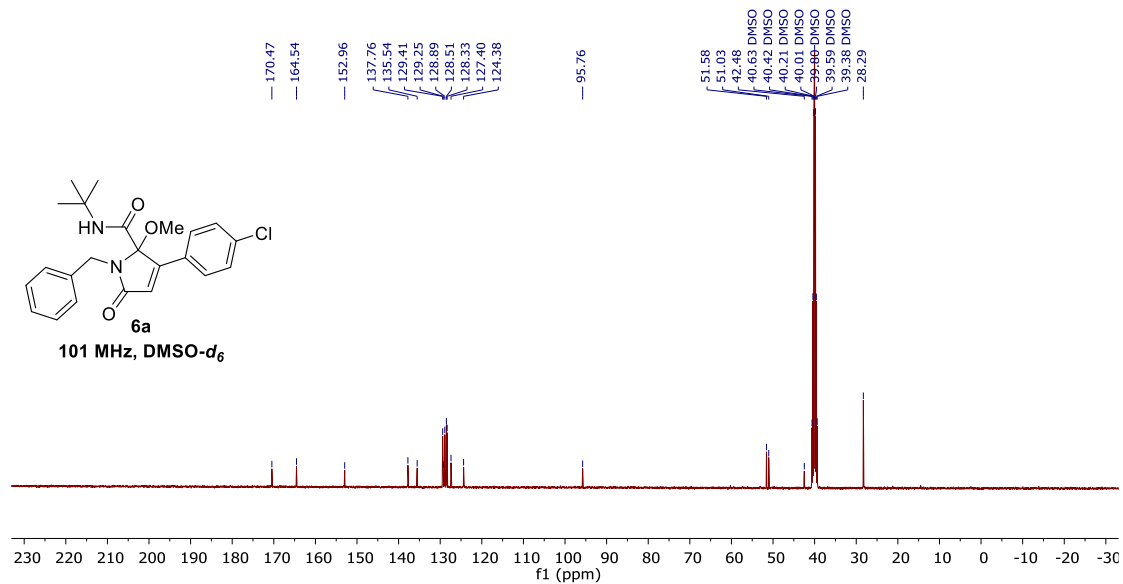
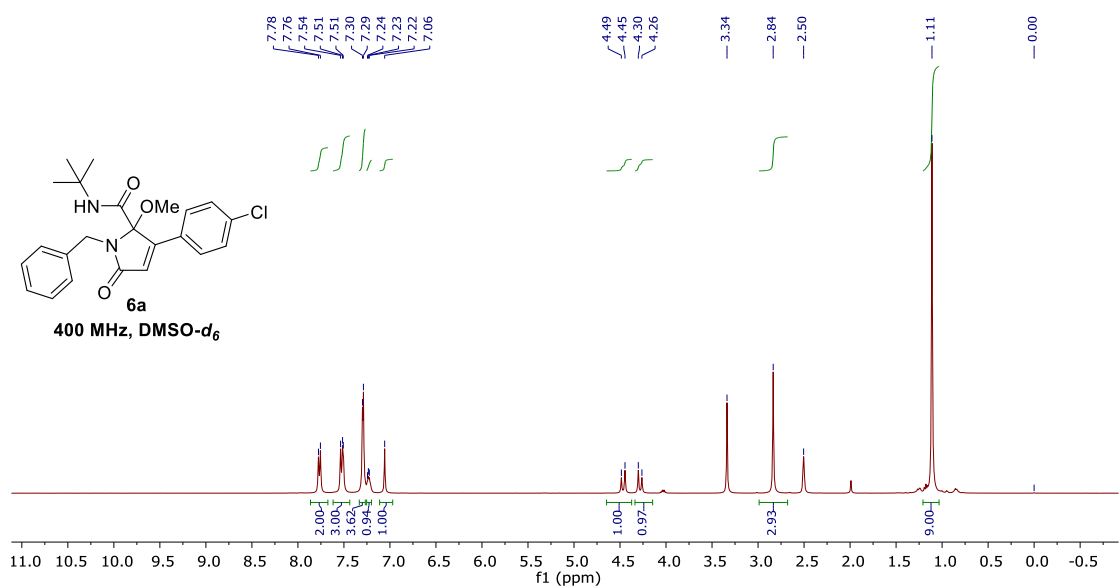


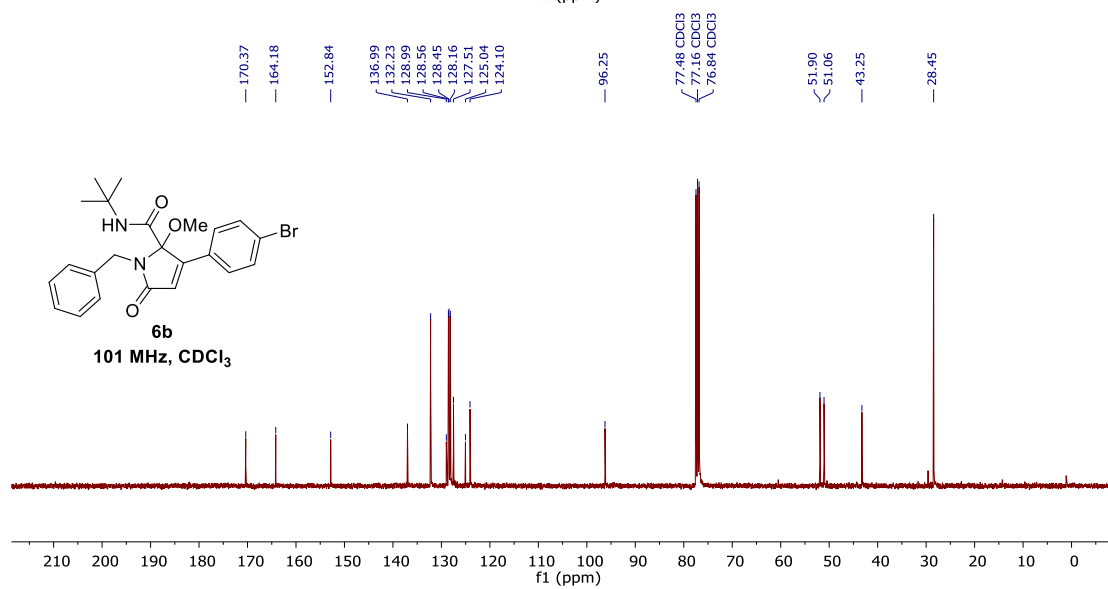
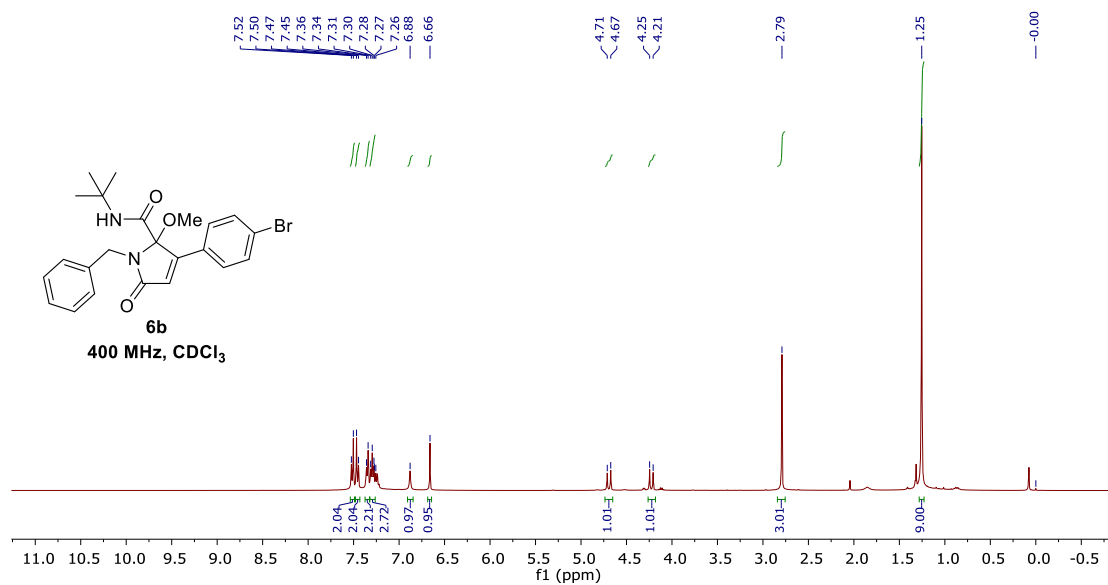
White solid, 58.5 mg, 72% yield; mp 182.0 – 183.2 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.40 – 7.37 (m, 2H), 7.30 – 7.27 (m, 3H), 7.25 – 7.24 (m, 4H), 7.20 – 7.18 (m, 1H), 6.57 (s, 1H), 6.34 (br, 1H), 5.10 (d, J = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 3.86 (d, J = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 1.31 (s, 9H), 1.28 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ = 170.5, 166.3, 163.0, 155.3, 137.2, 130.5, 129.9, 129.0, 128.7, 128.6(8), 127.6, 126.9, 122.6, 94.2, 52.4, 43.7, 28.5, 20.8. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z : $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{26}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_4$ 429.1785, found: 429.1796.

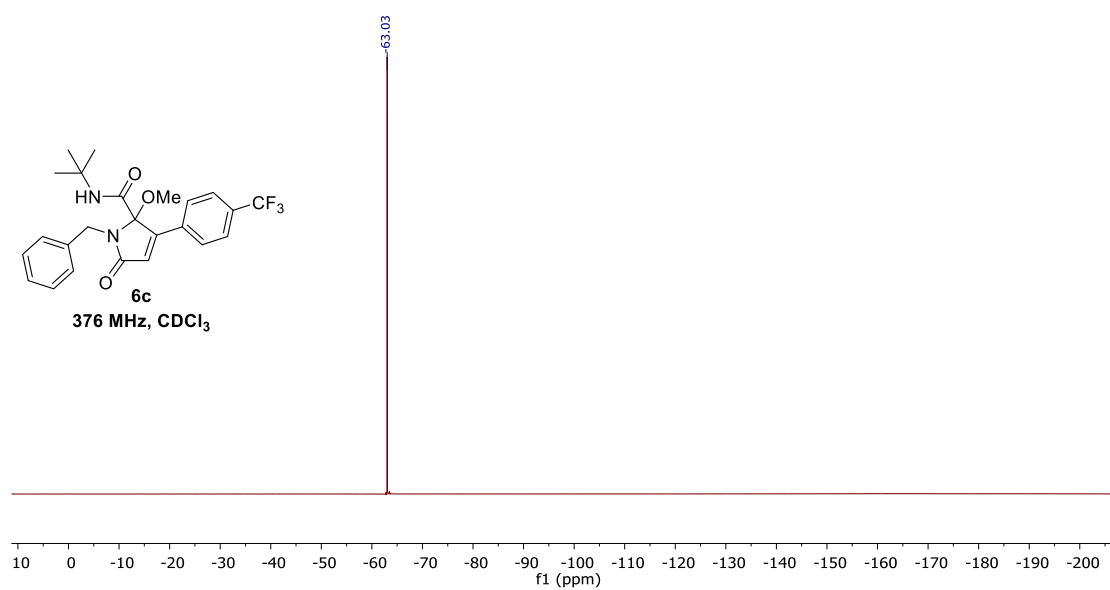
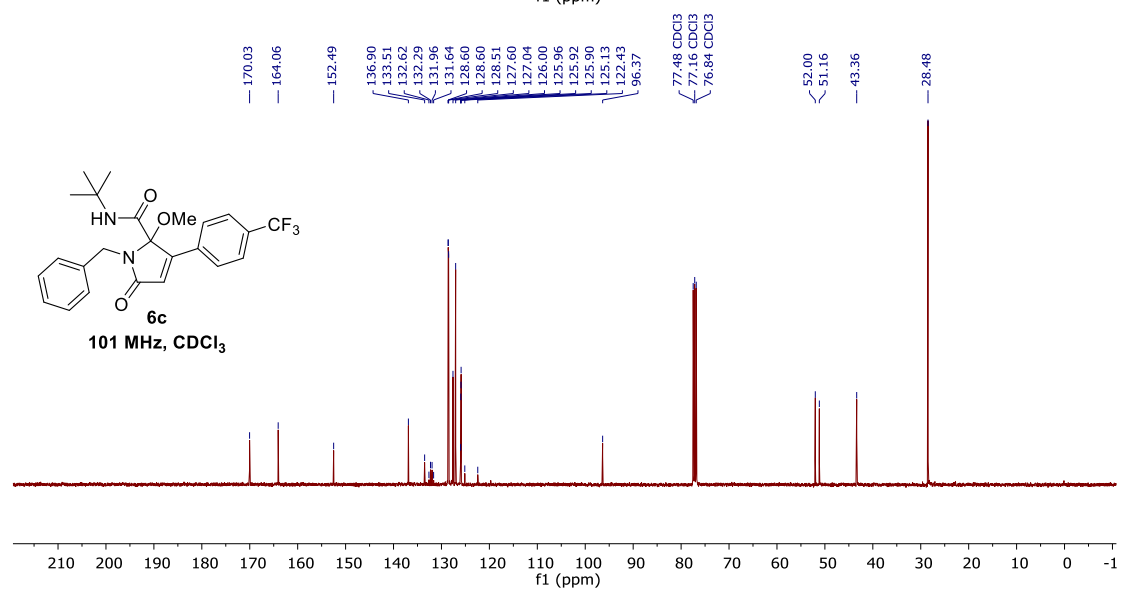
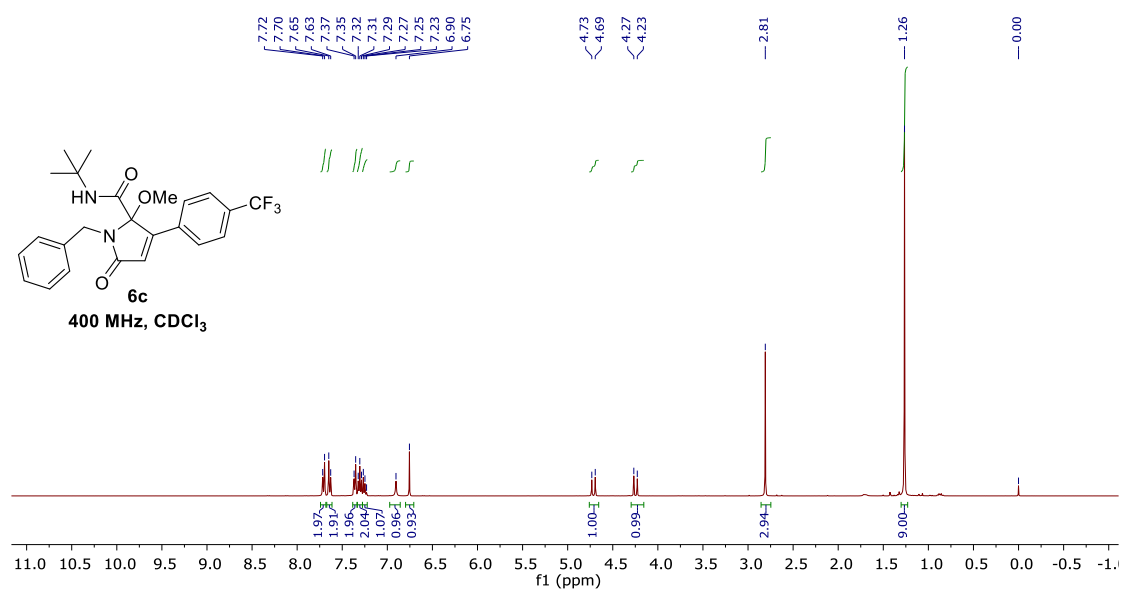
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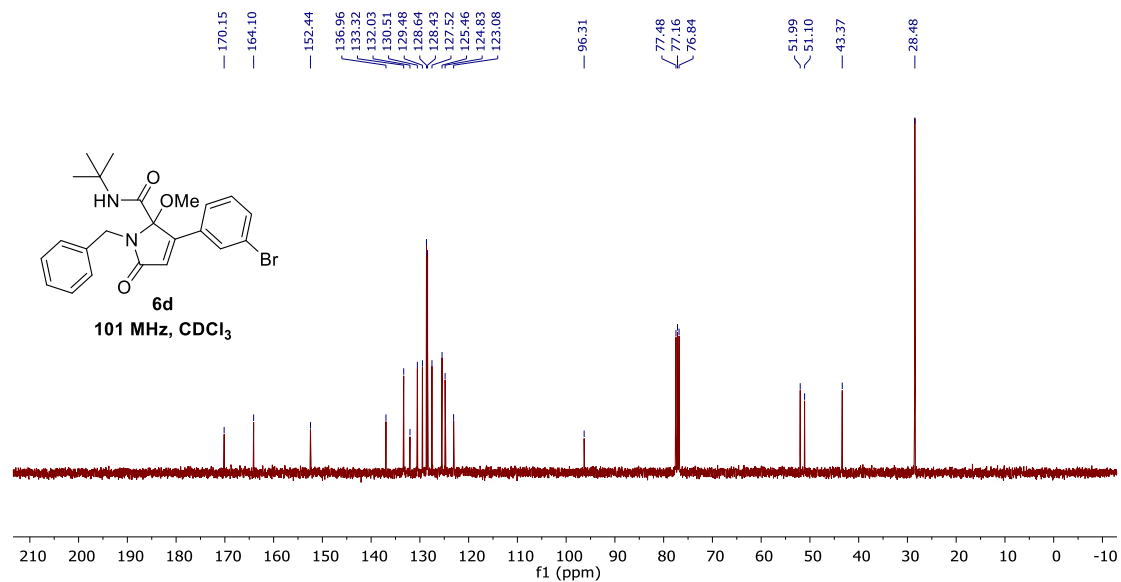
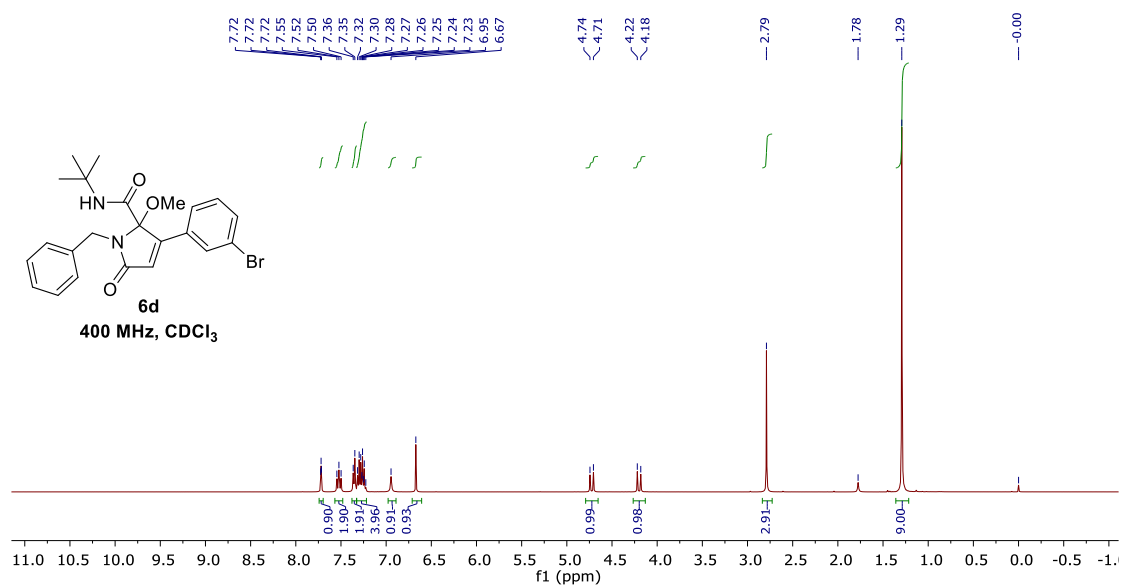
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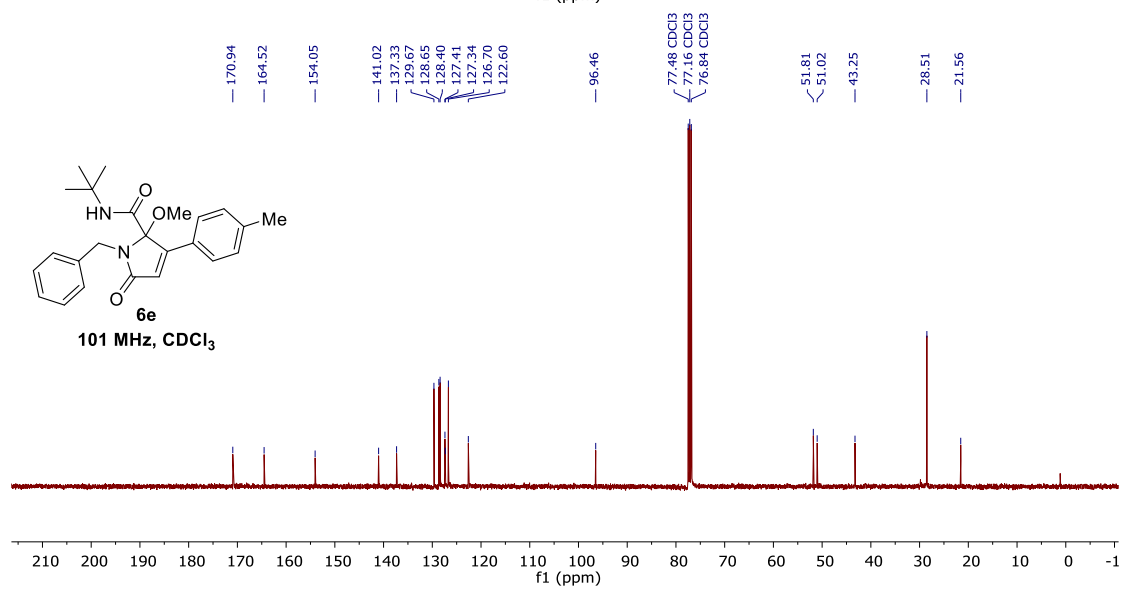
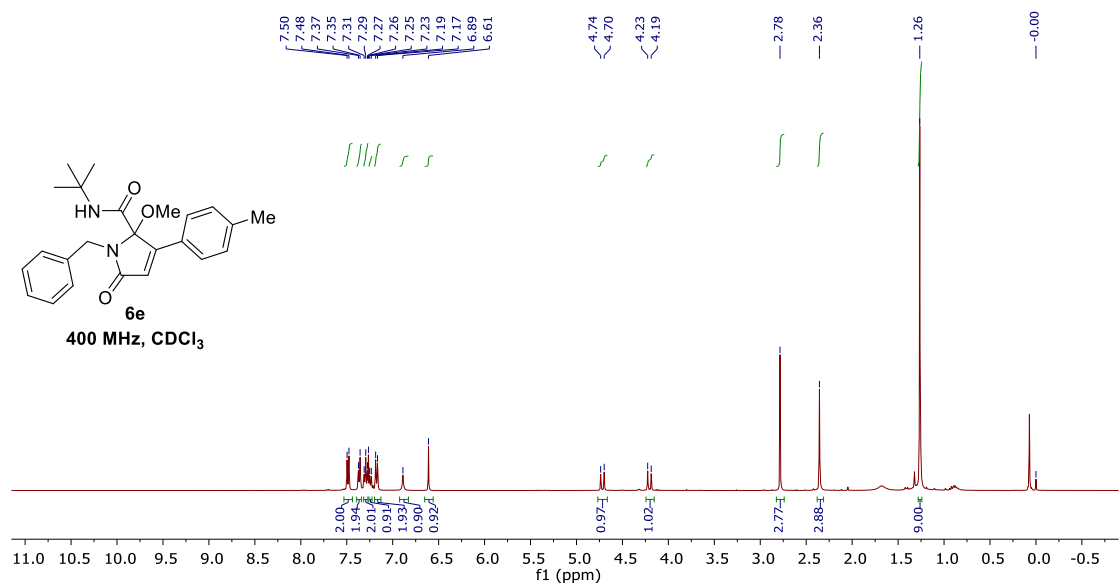
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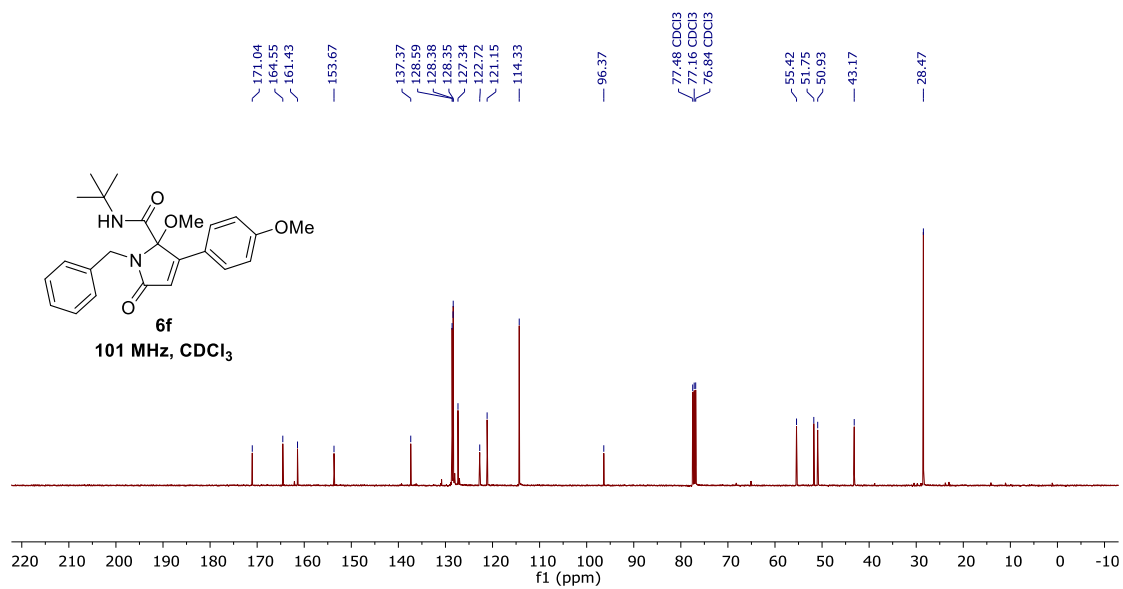
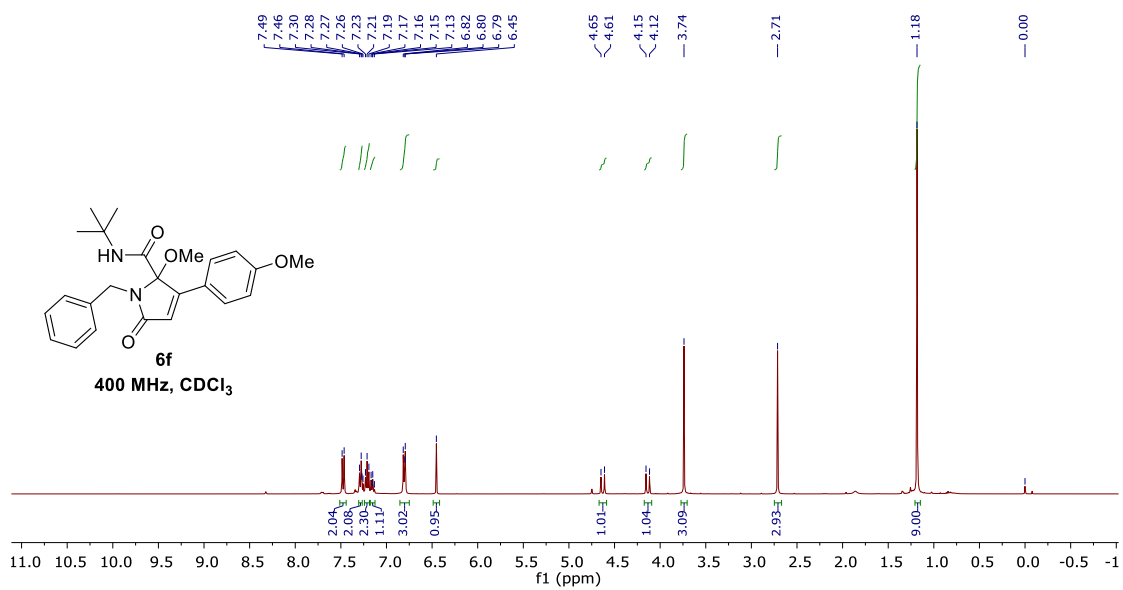


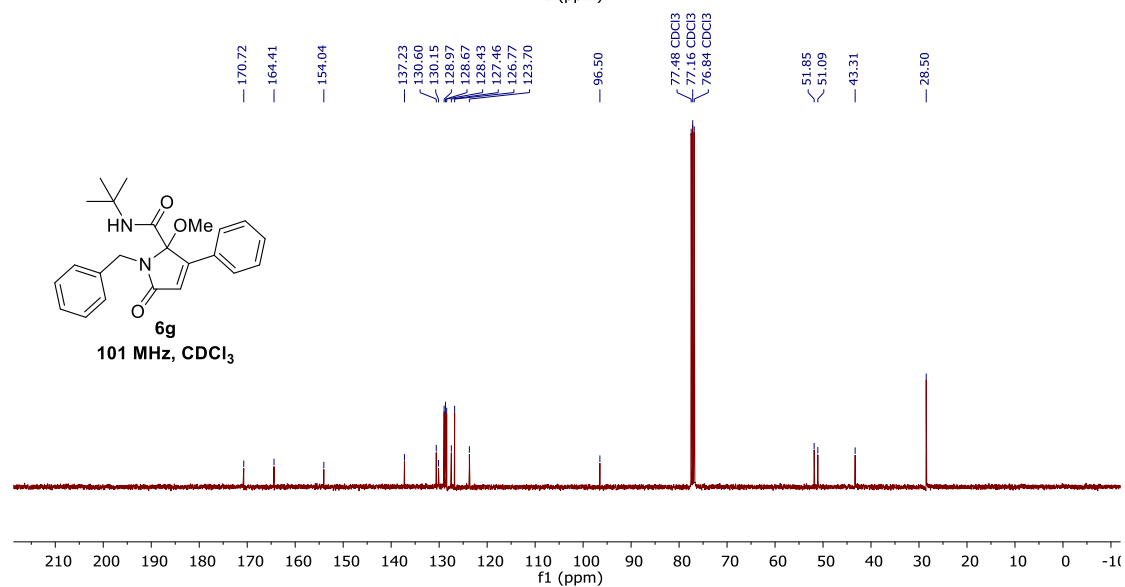
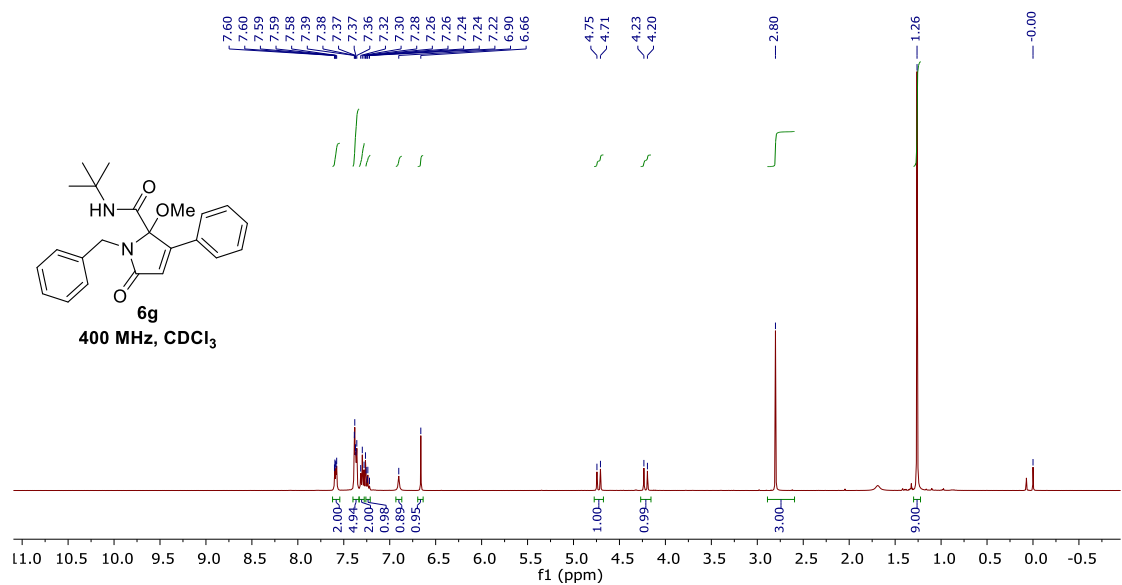


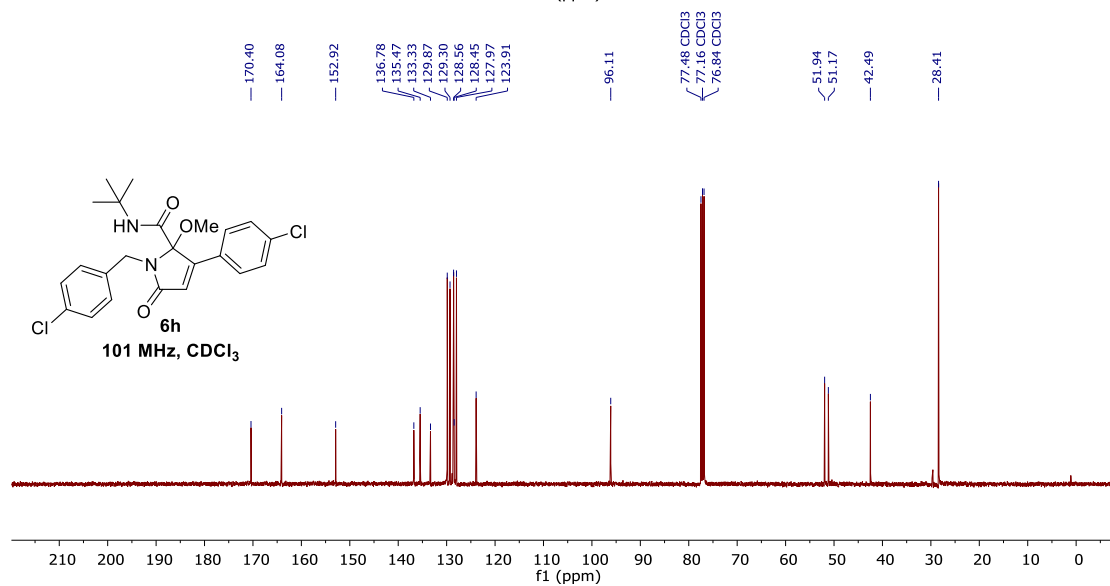
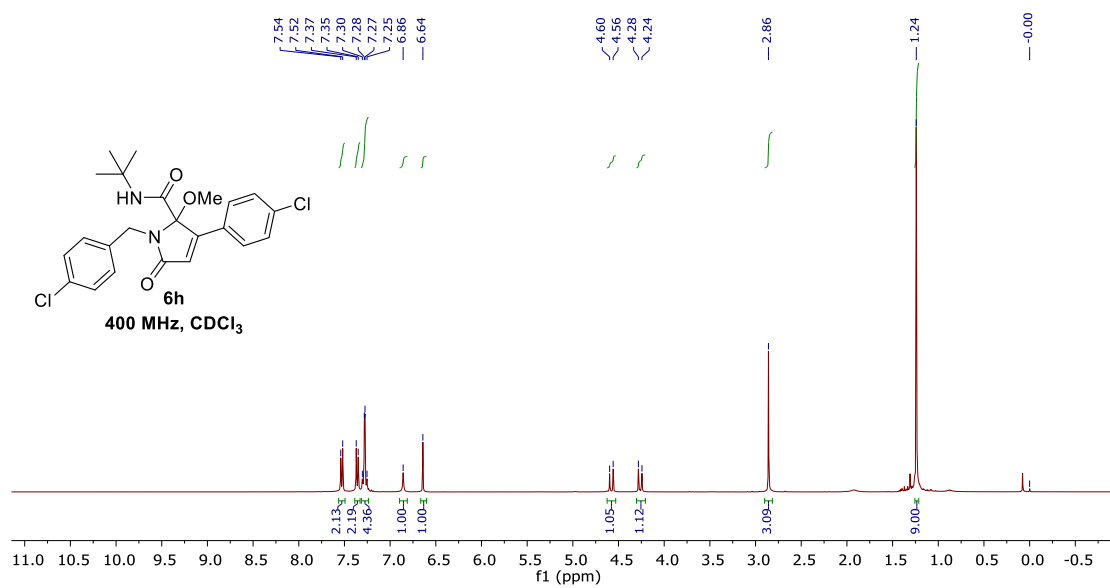


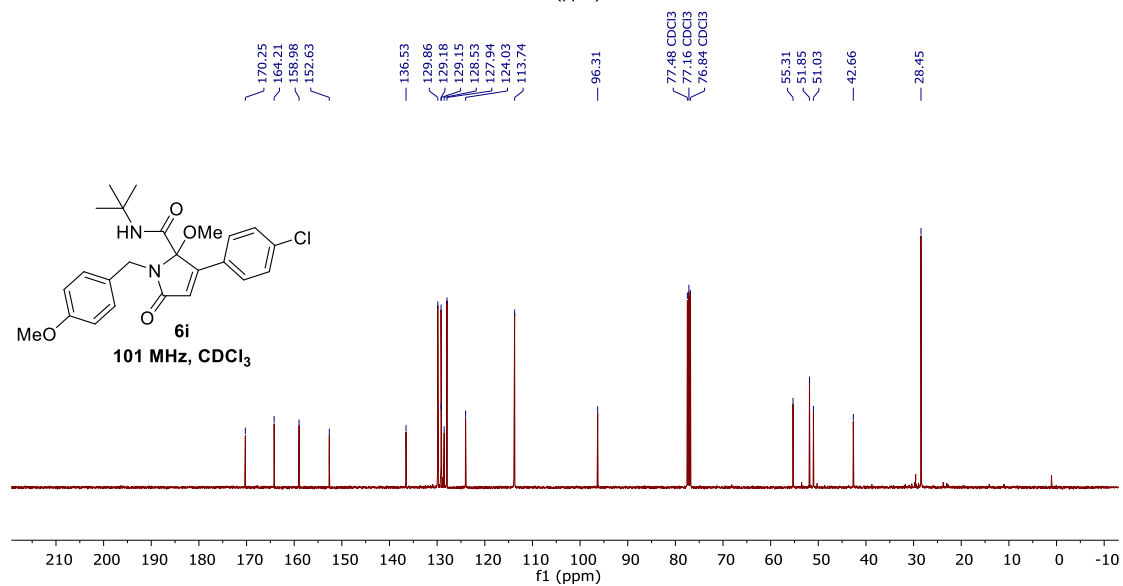
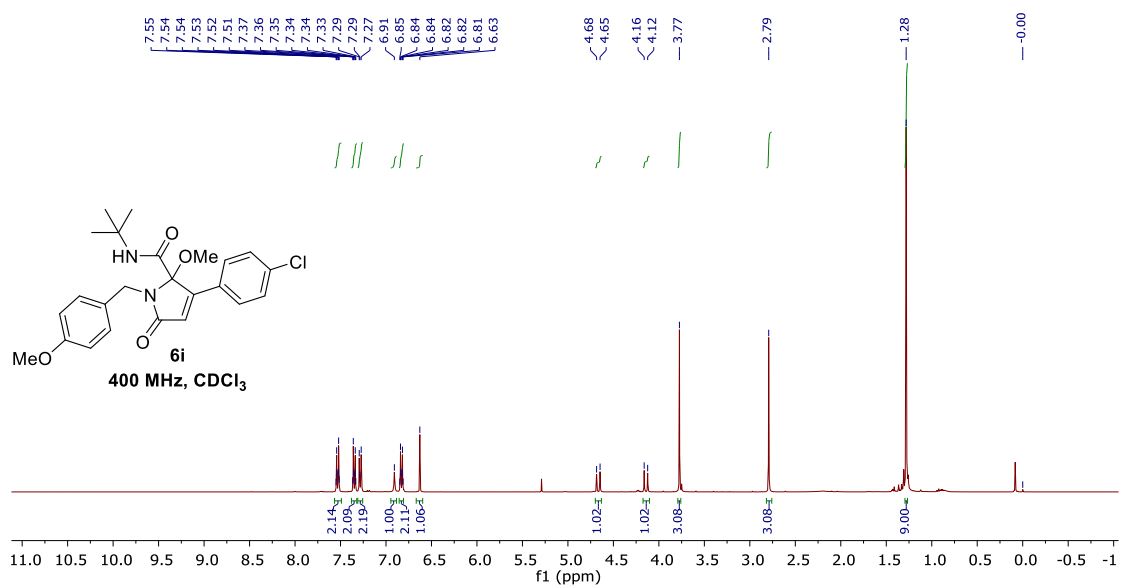


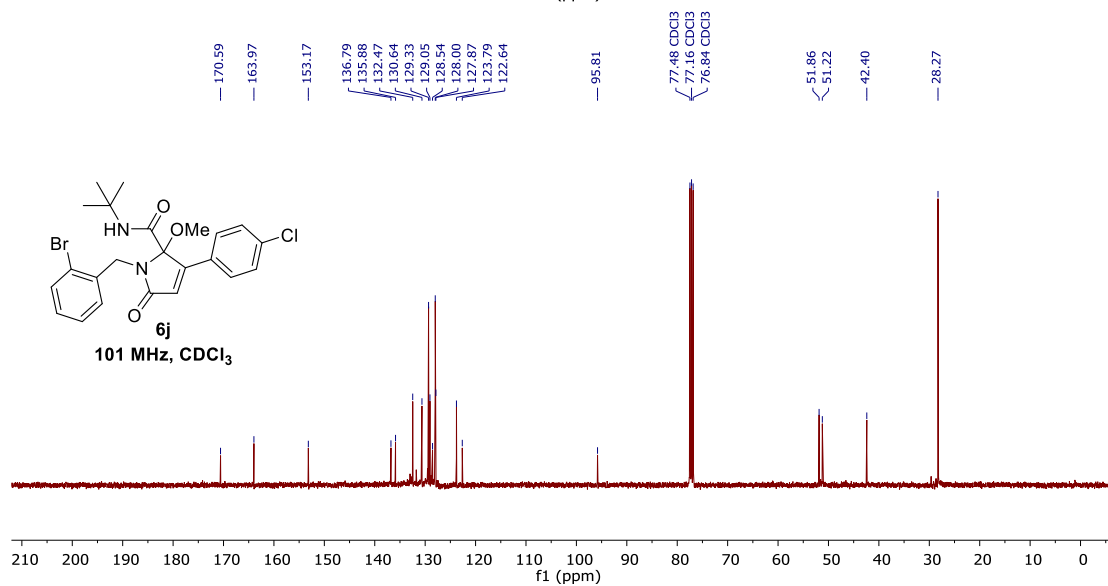
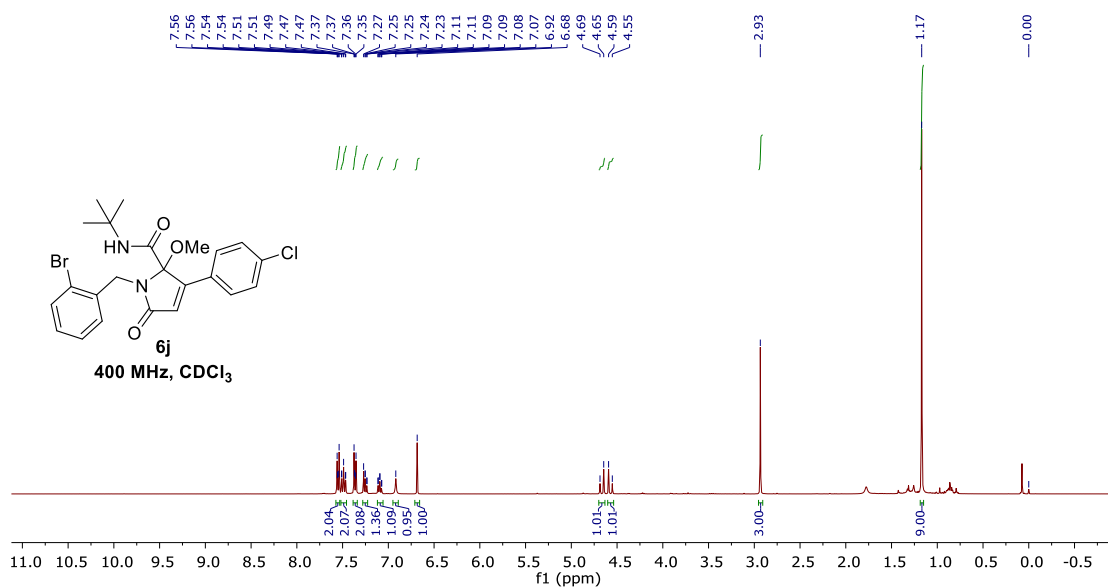


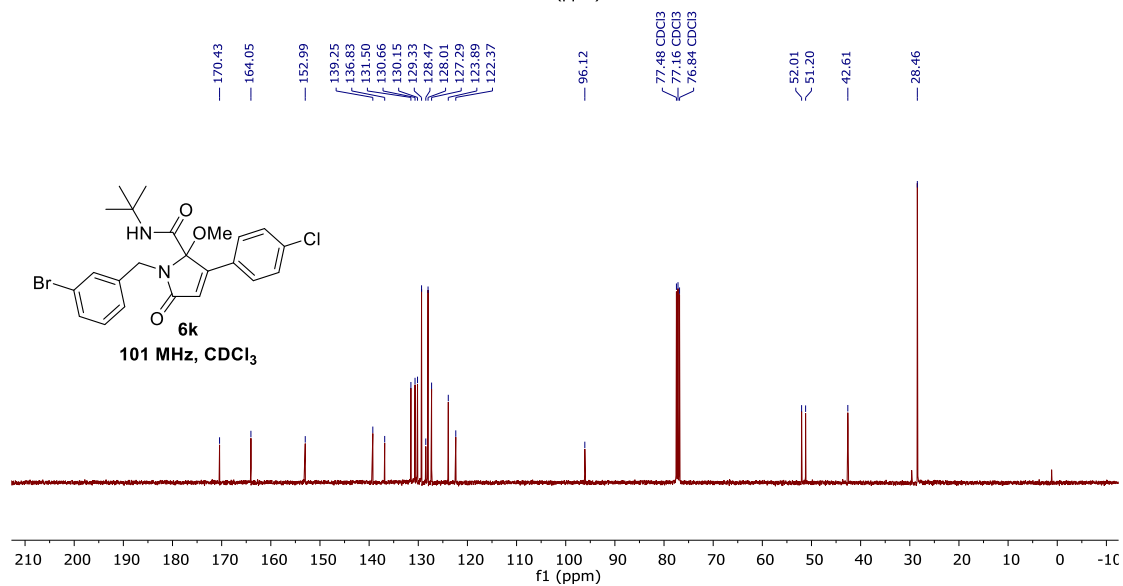
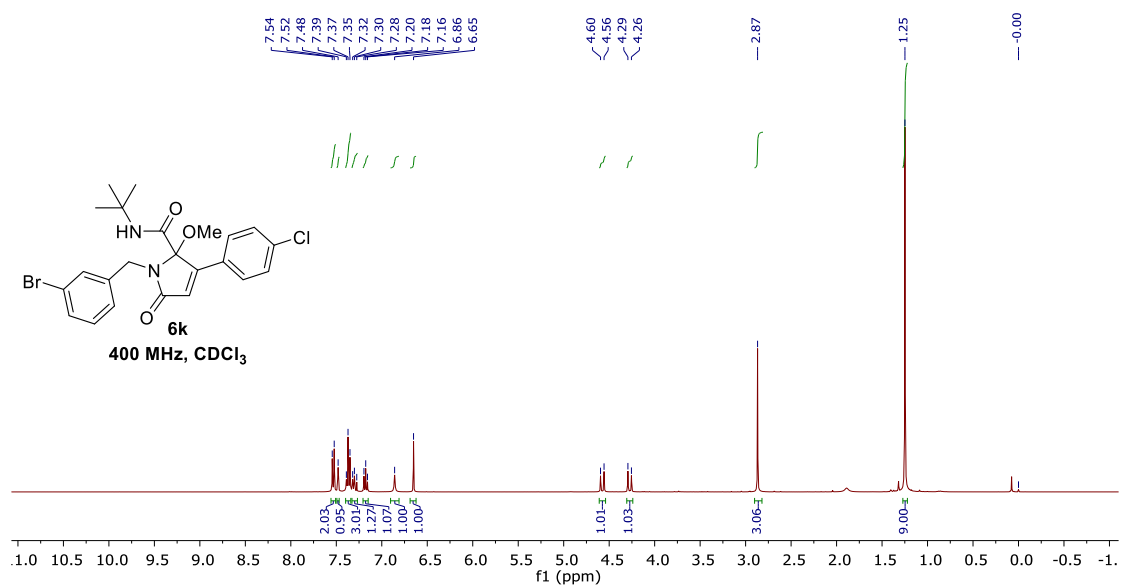


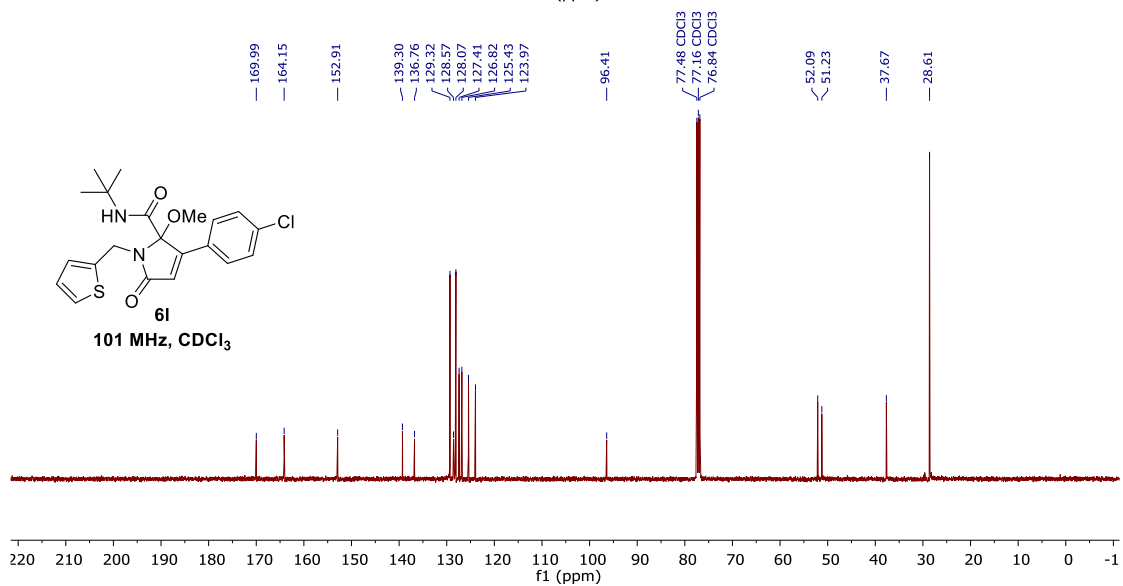
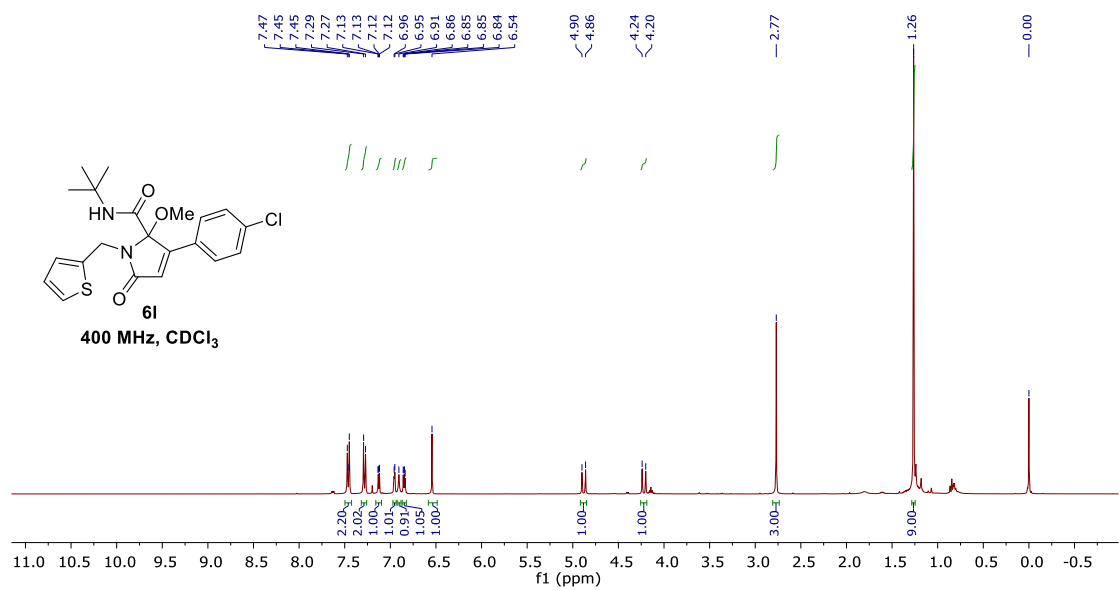


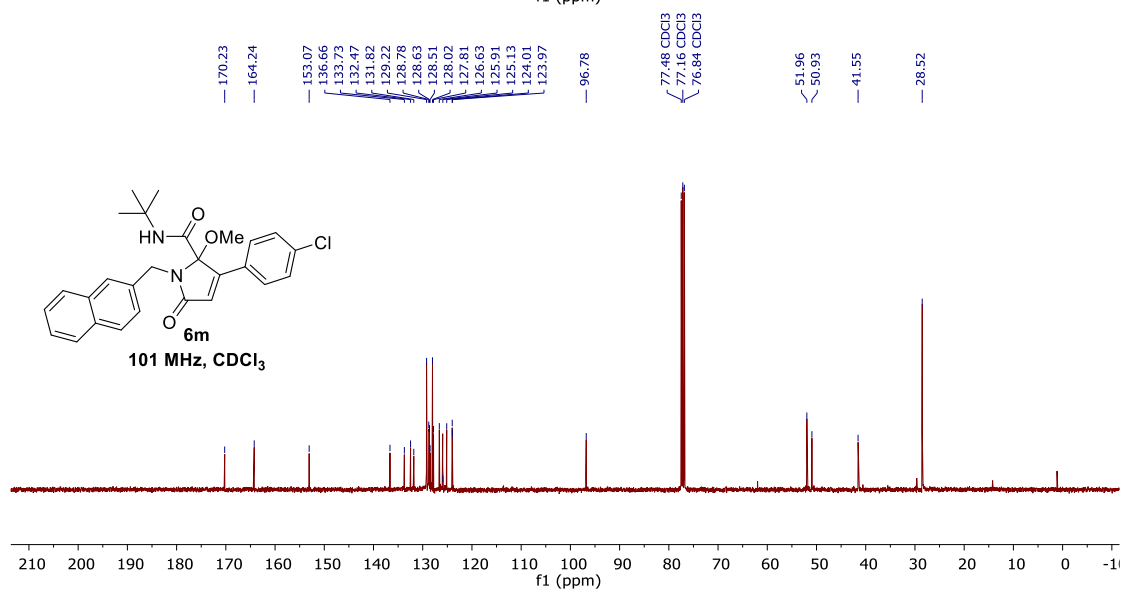
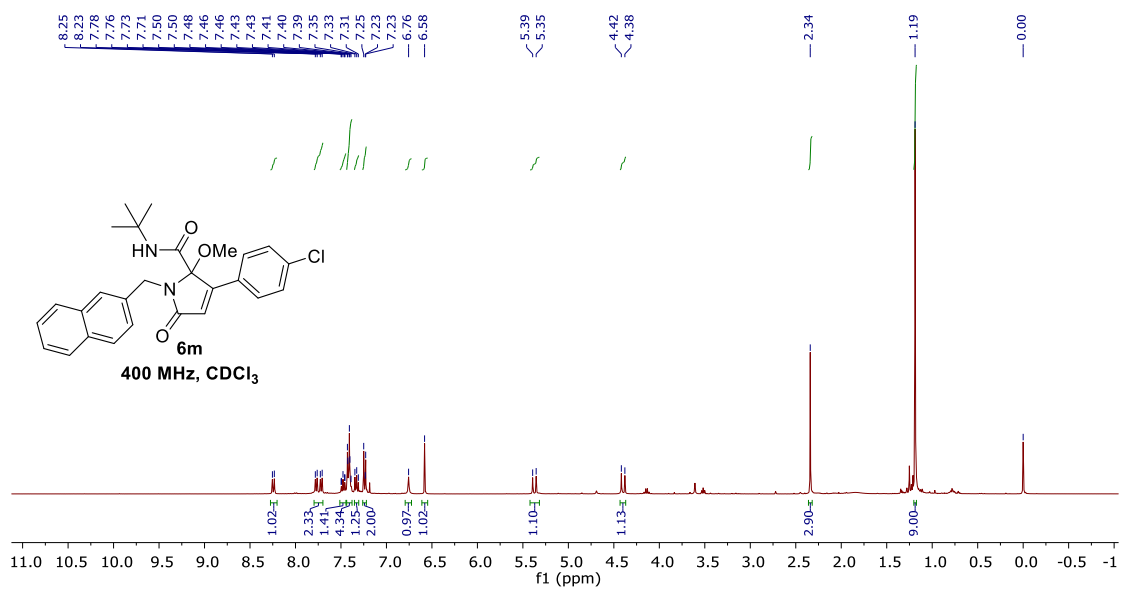


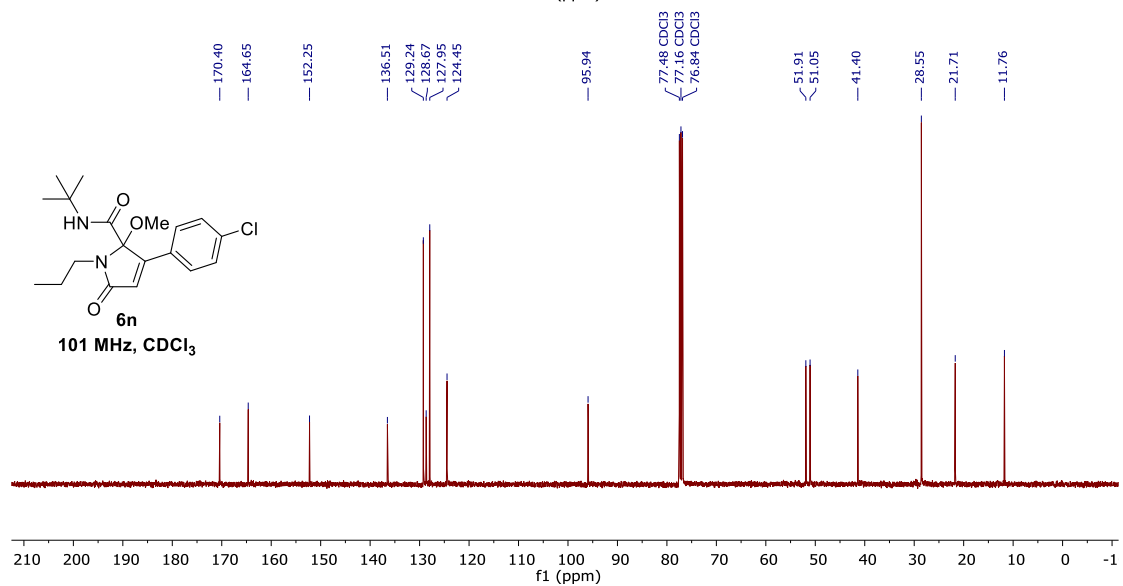
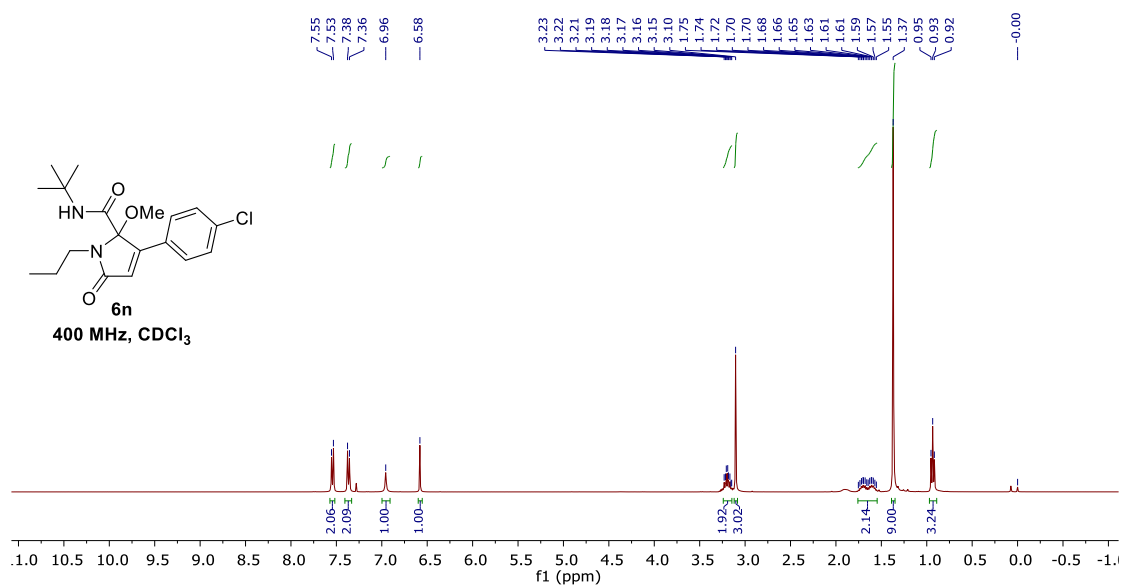


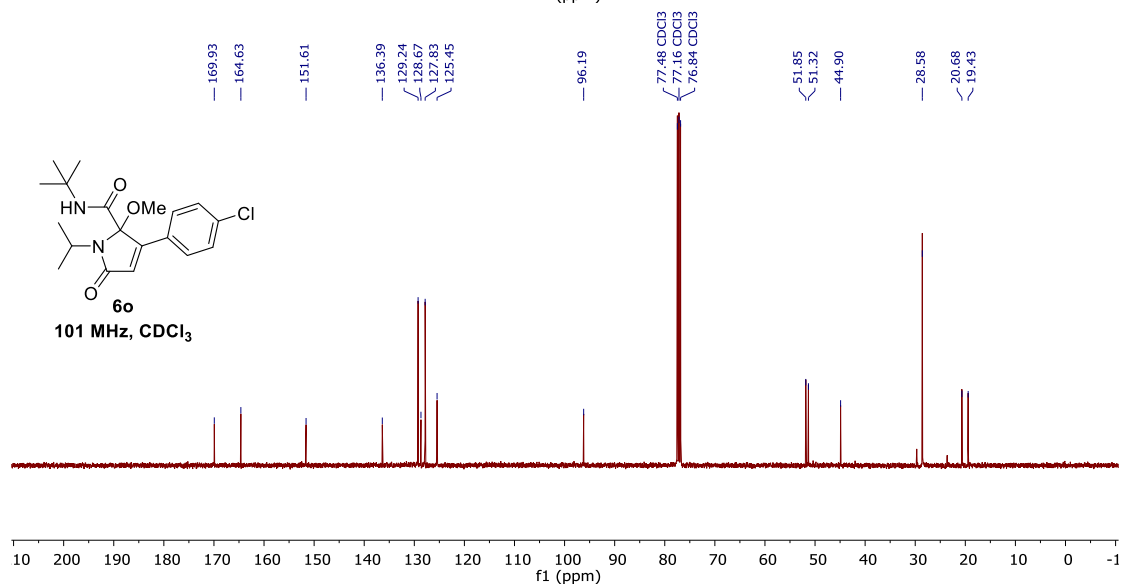
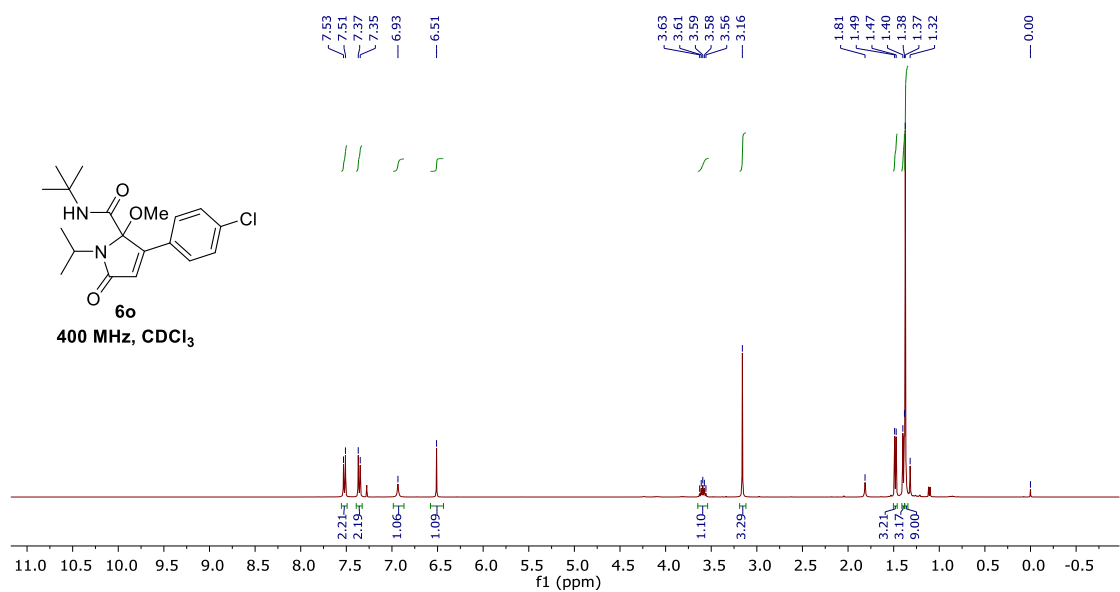


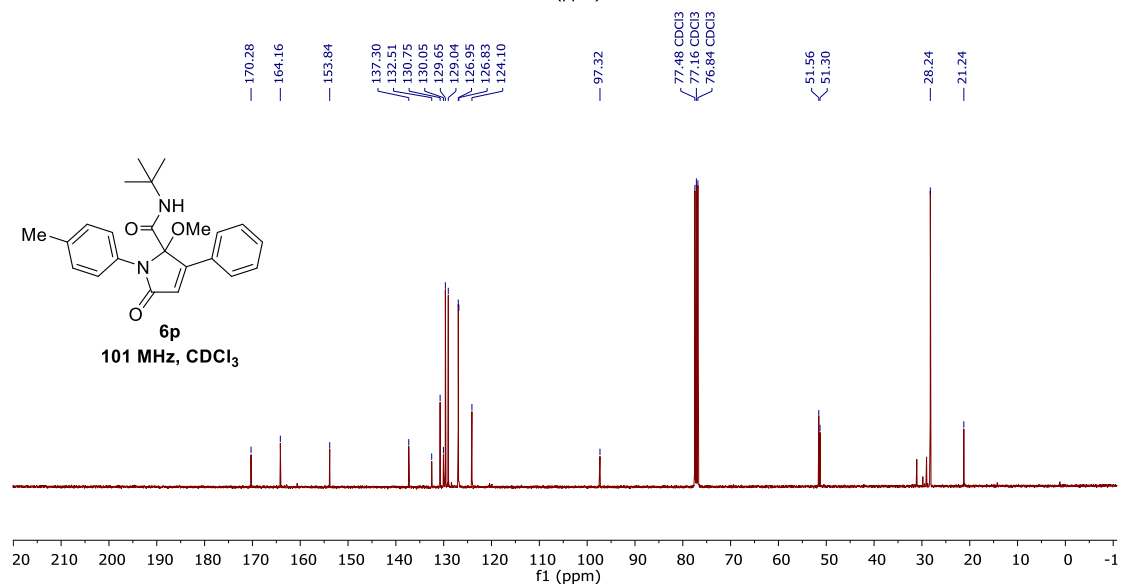
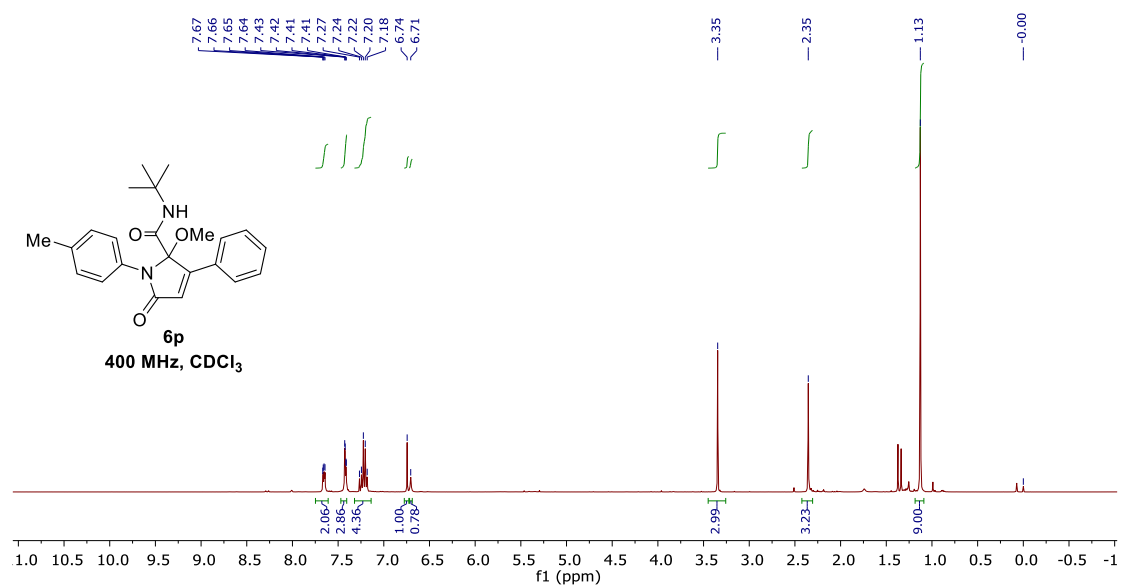


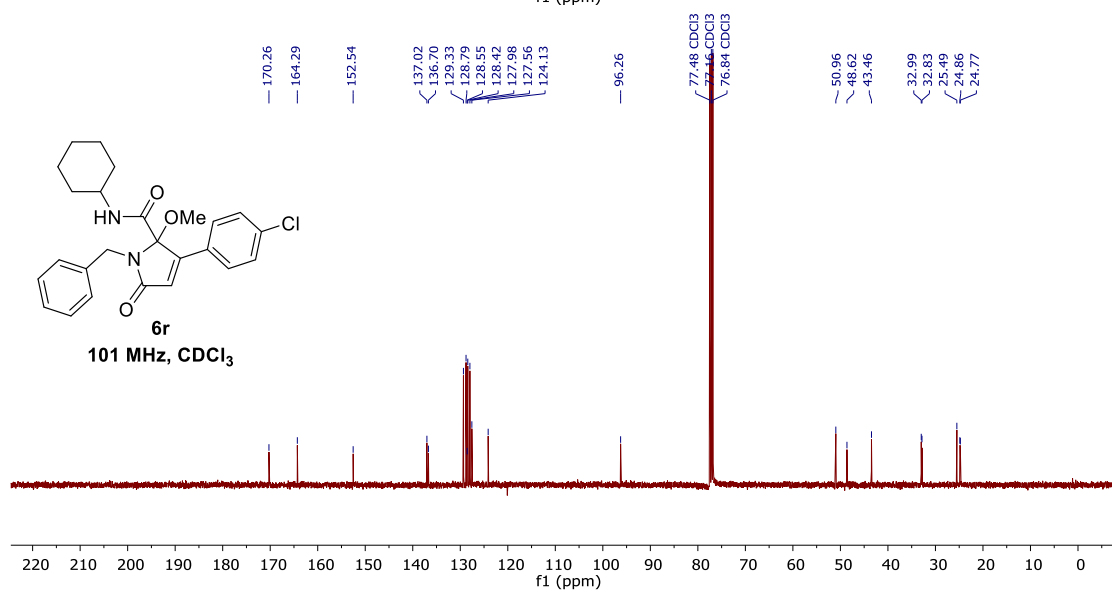
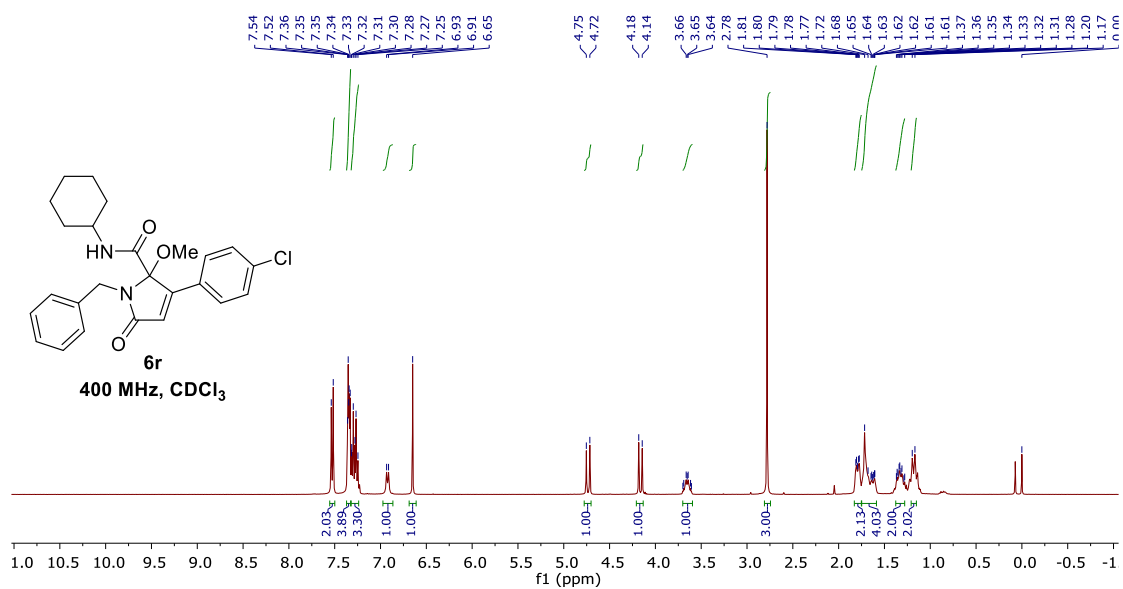


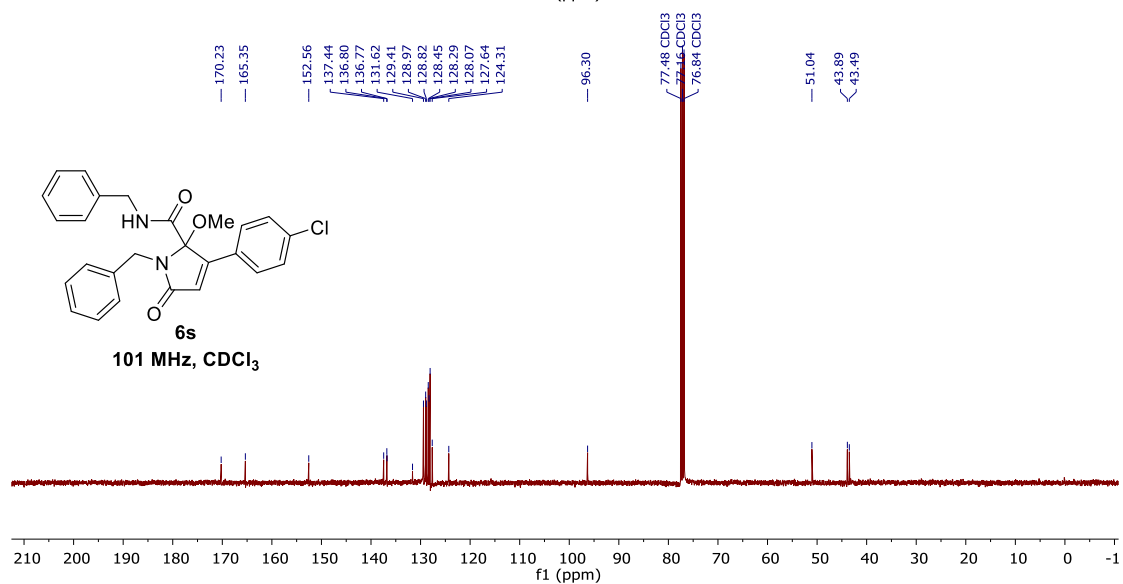
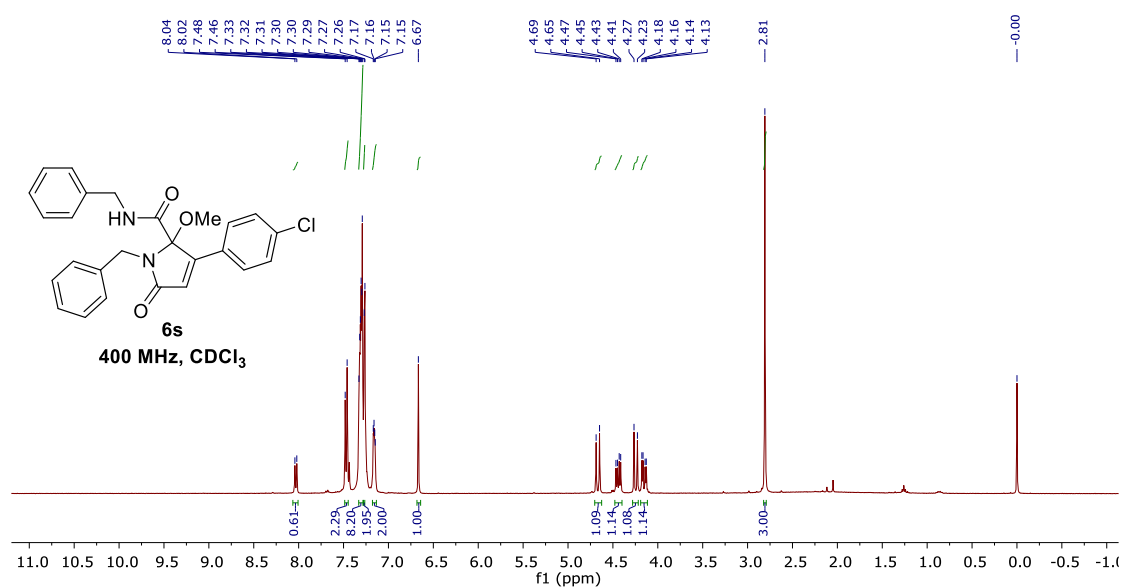


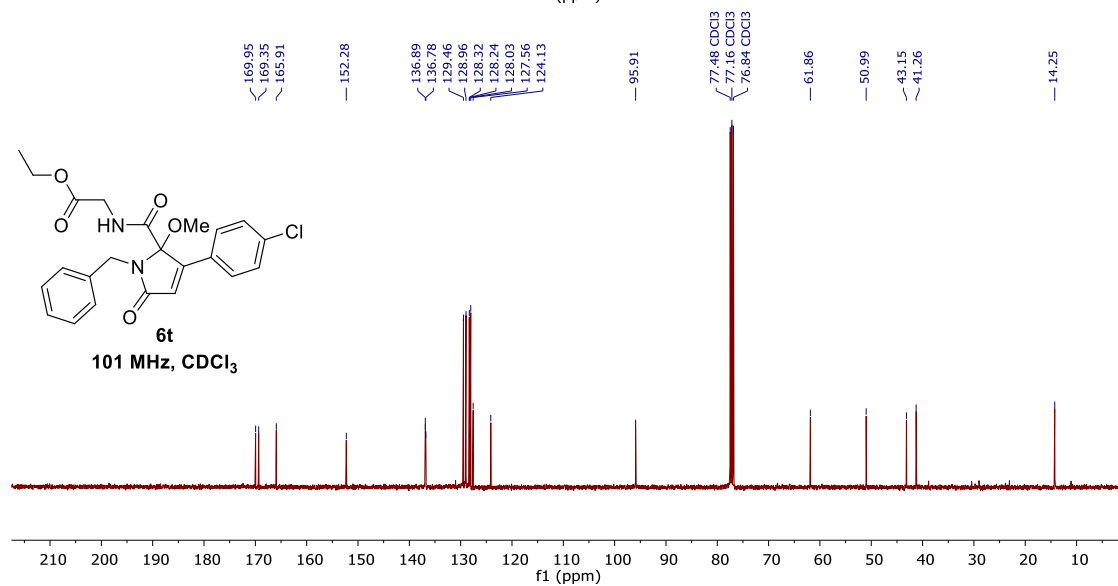
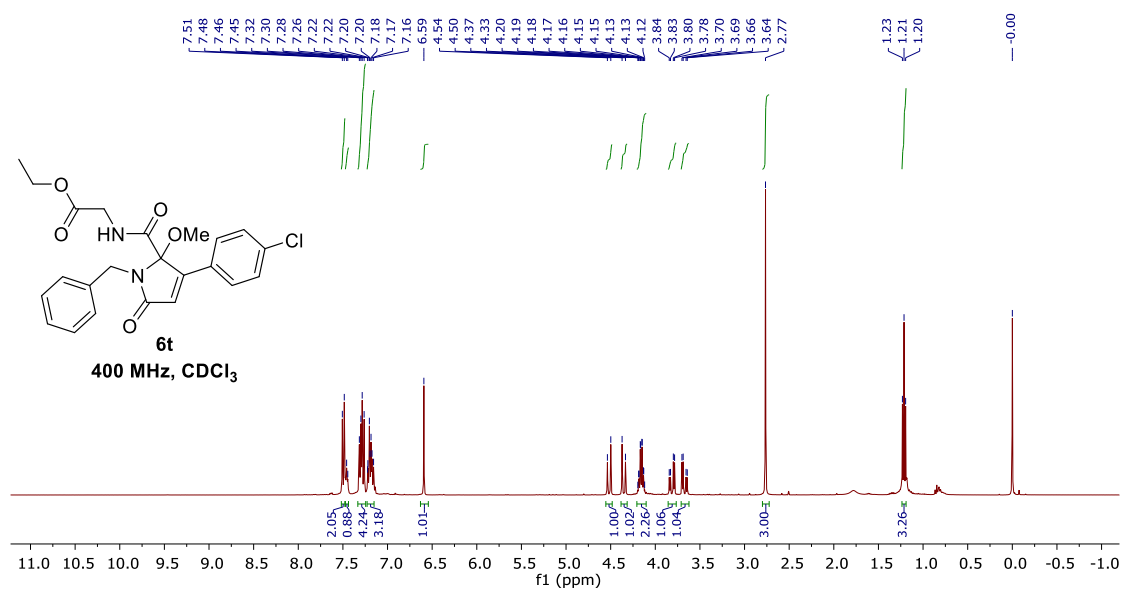


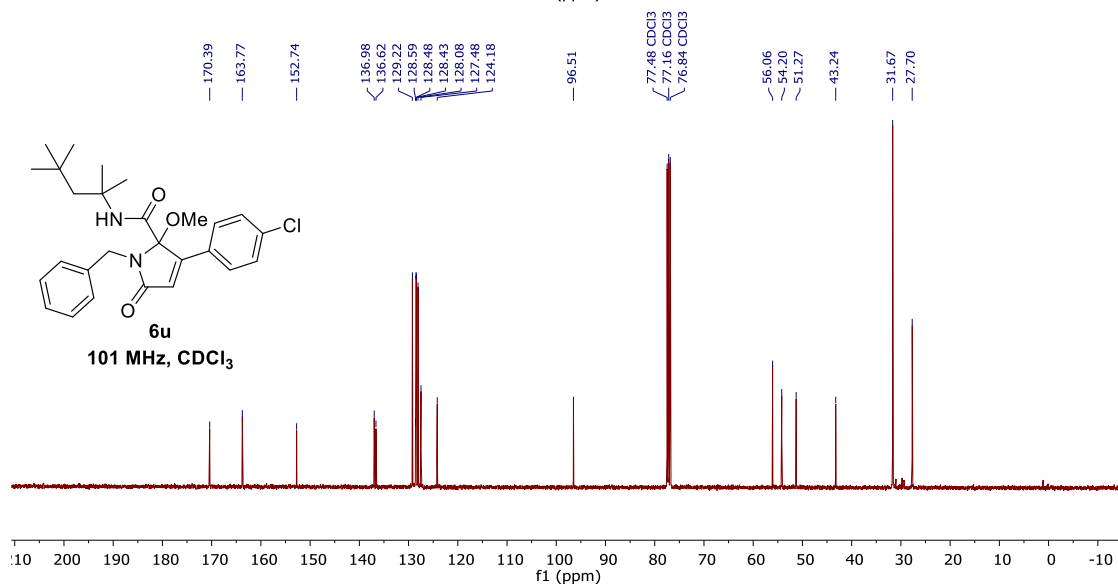
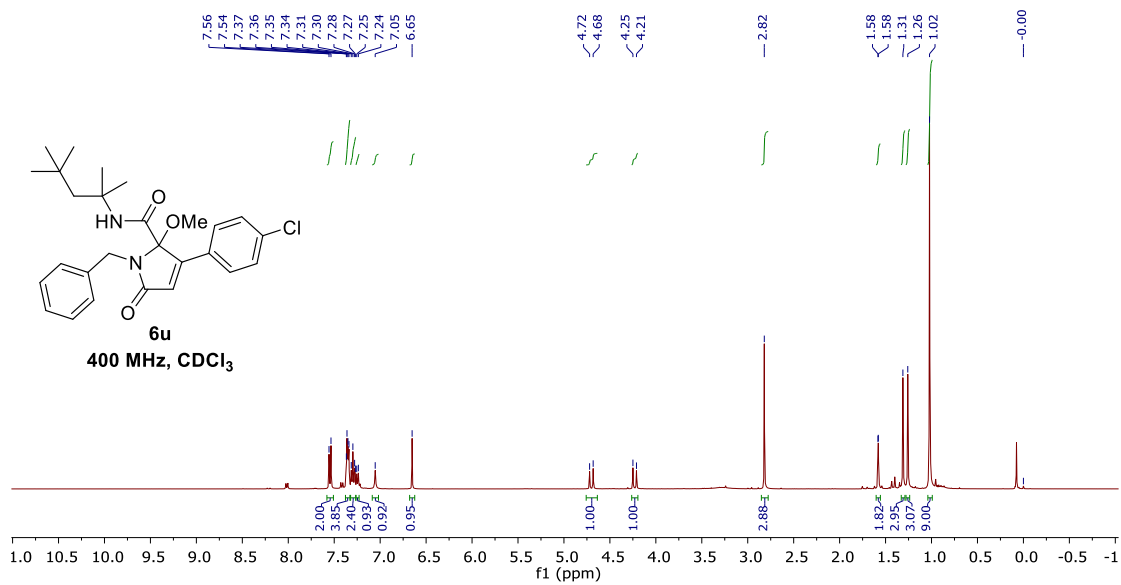


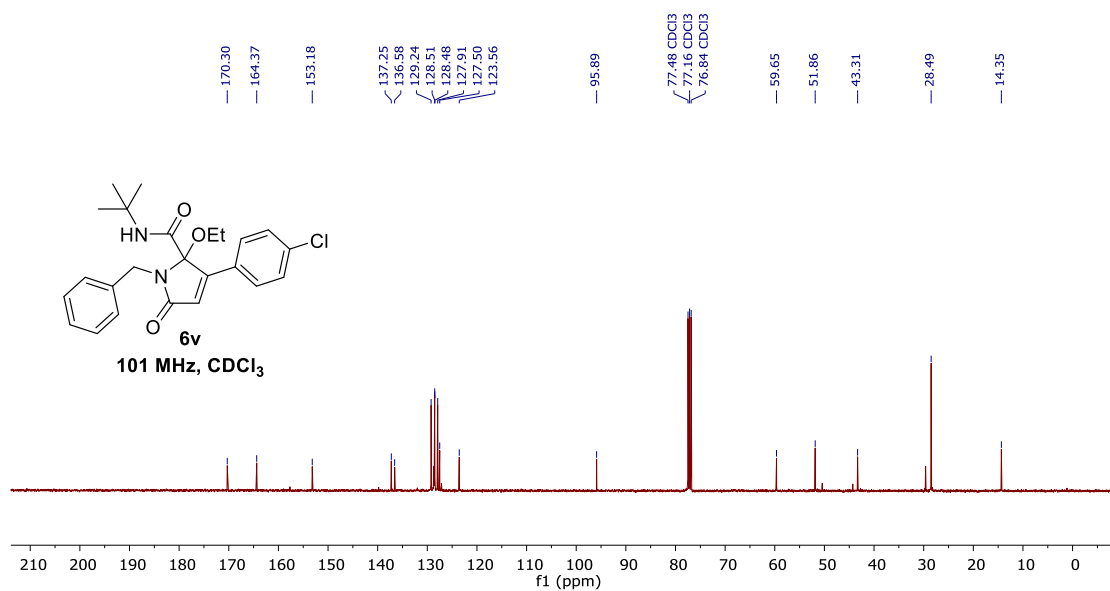
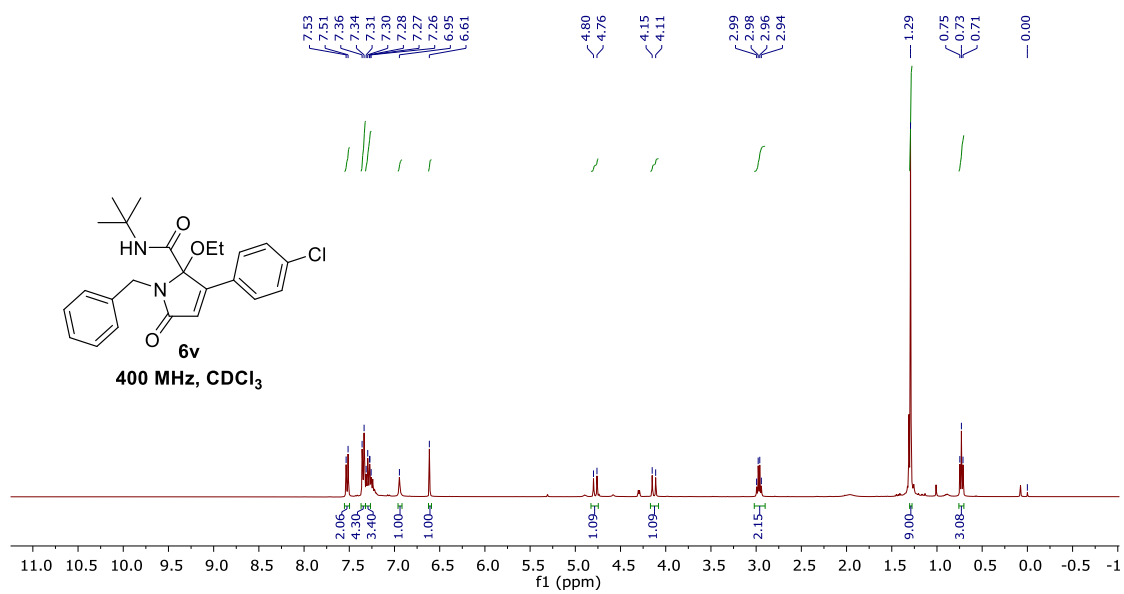


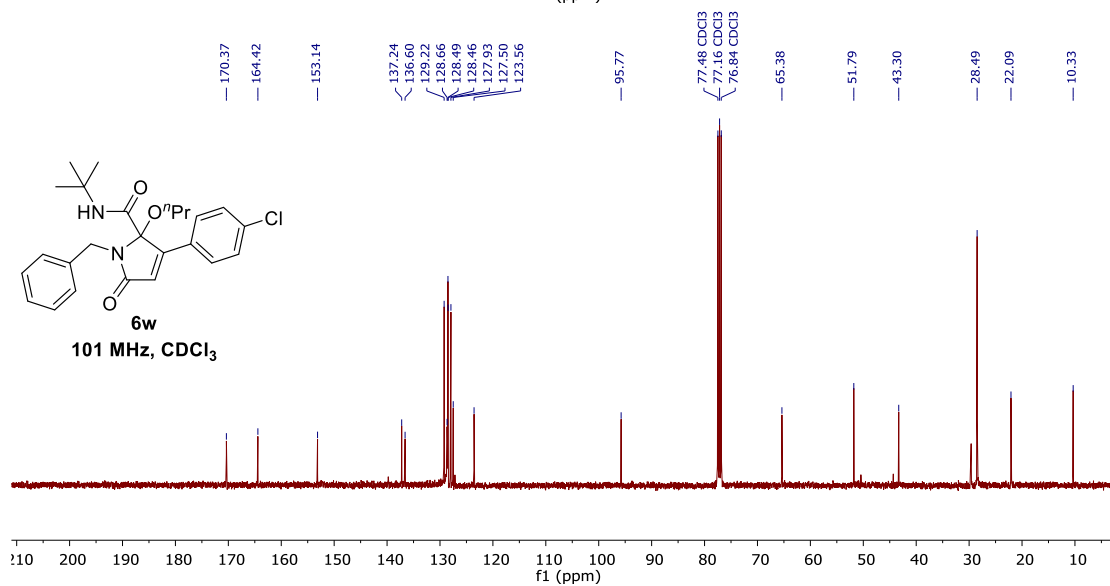
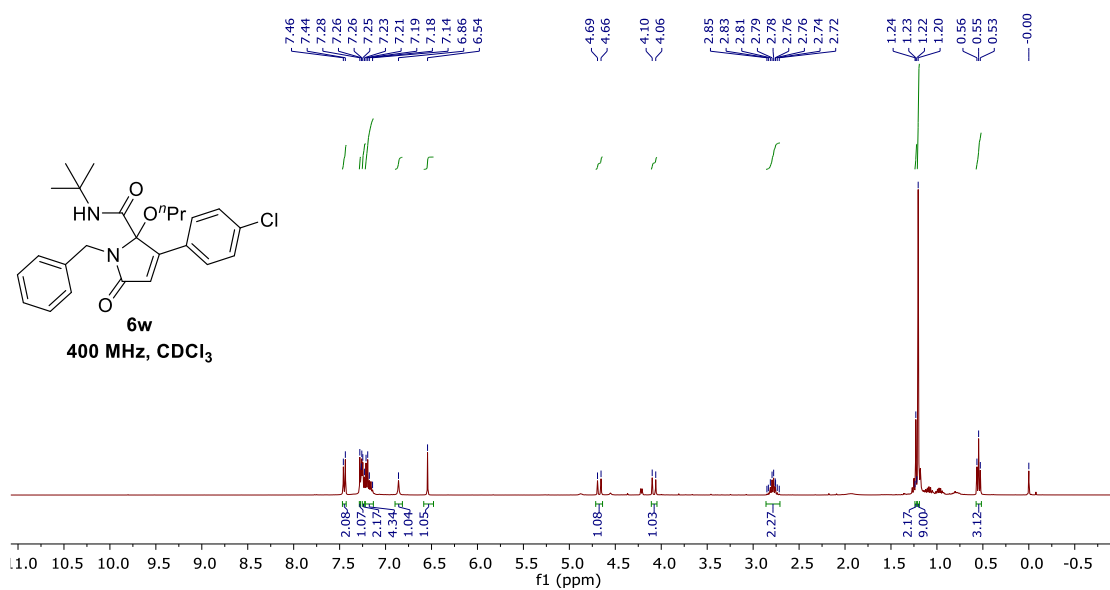


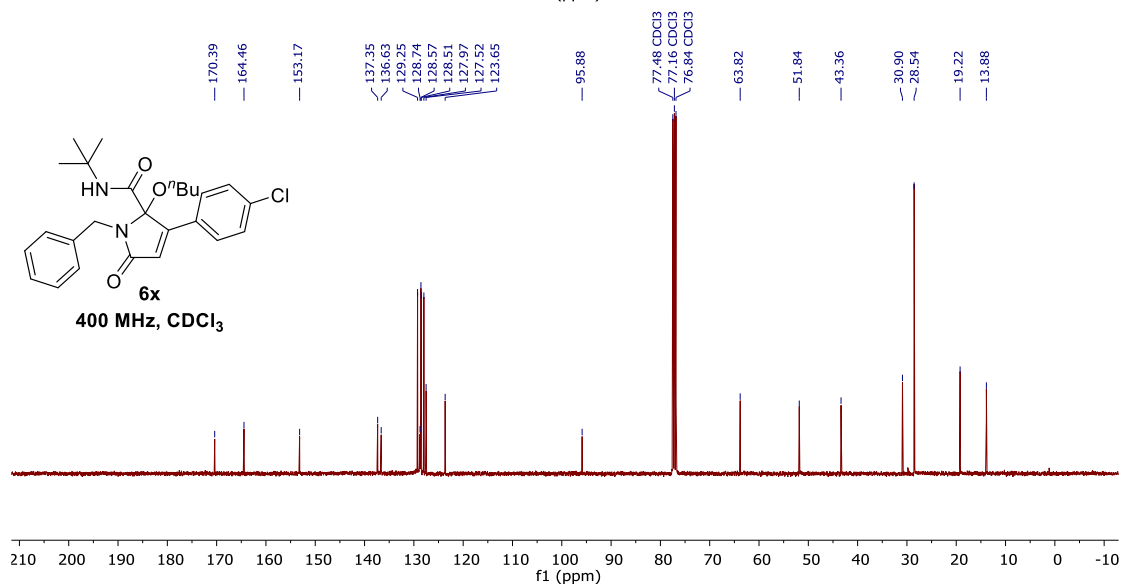
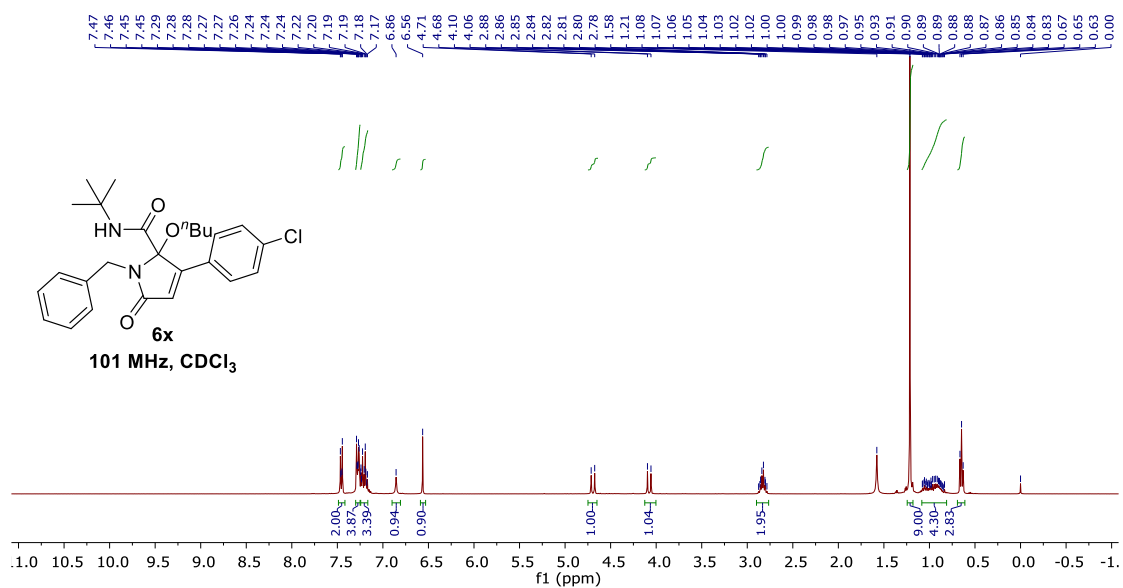


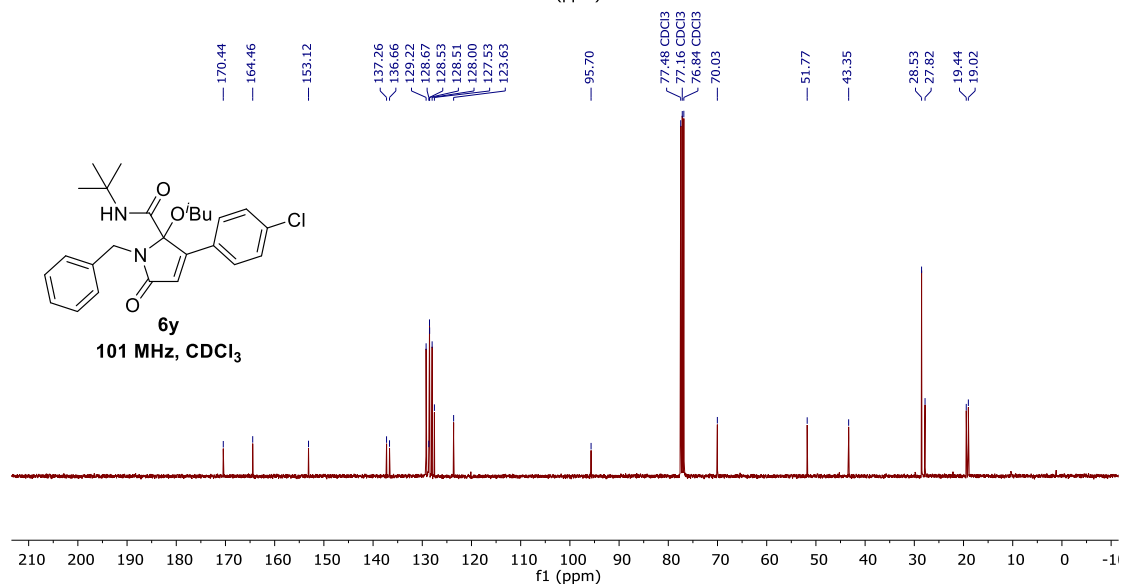
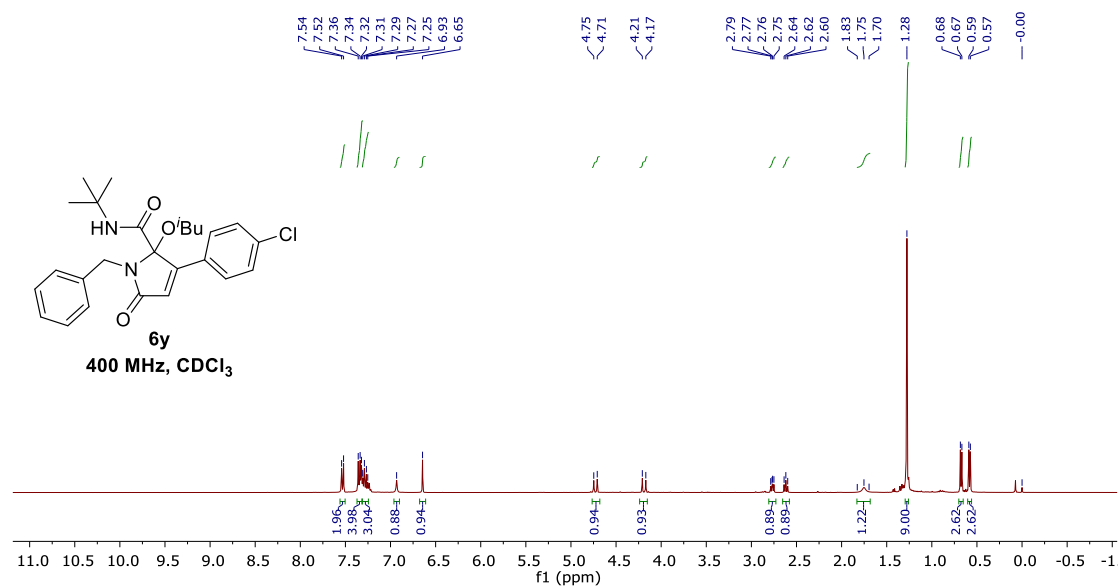


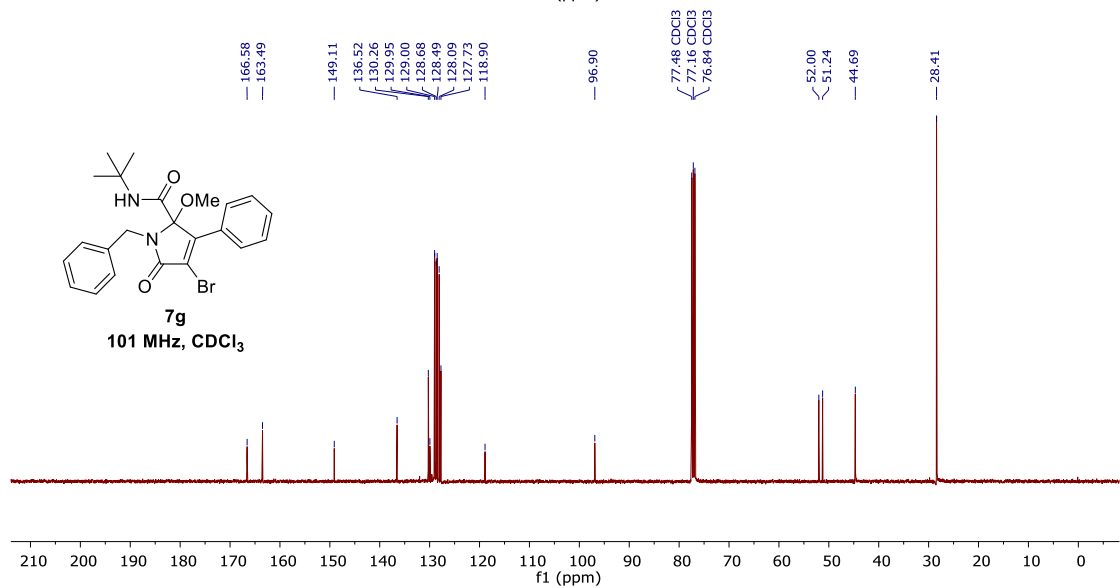
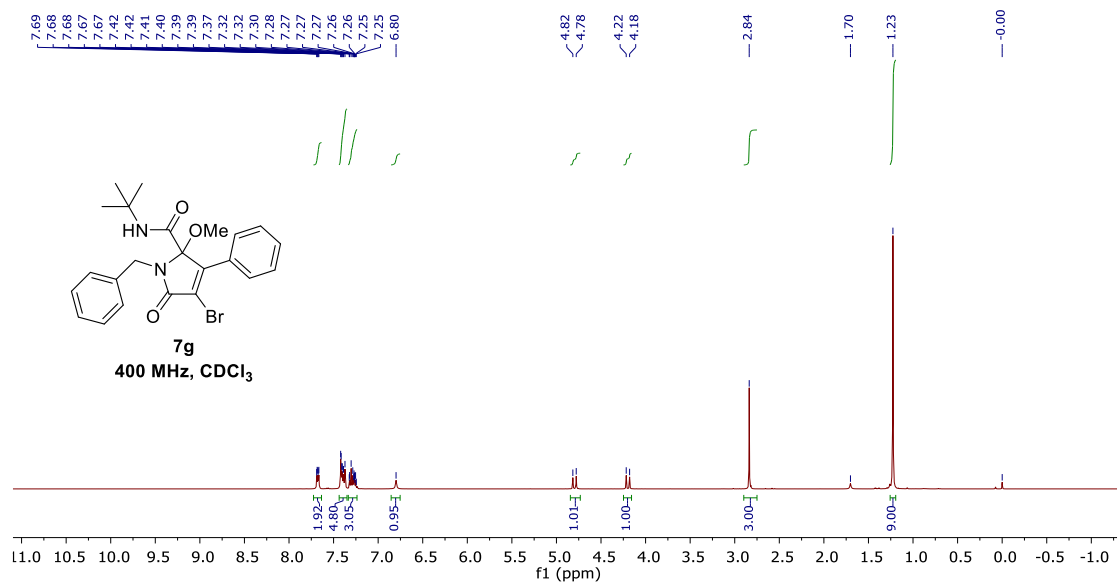


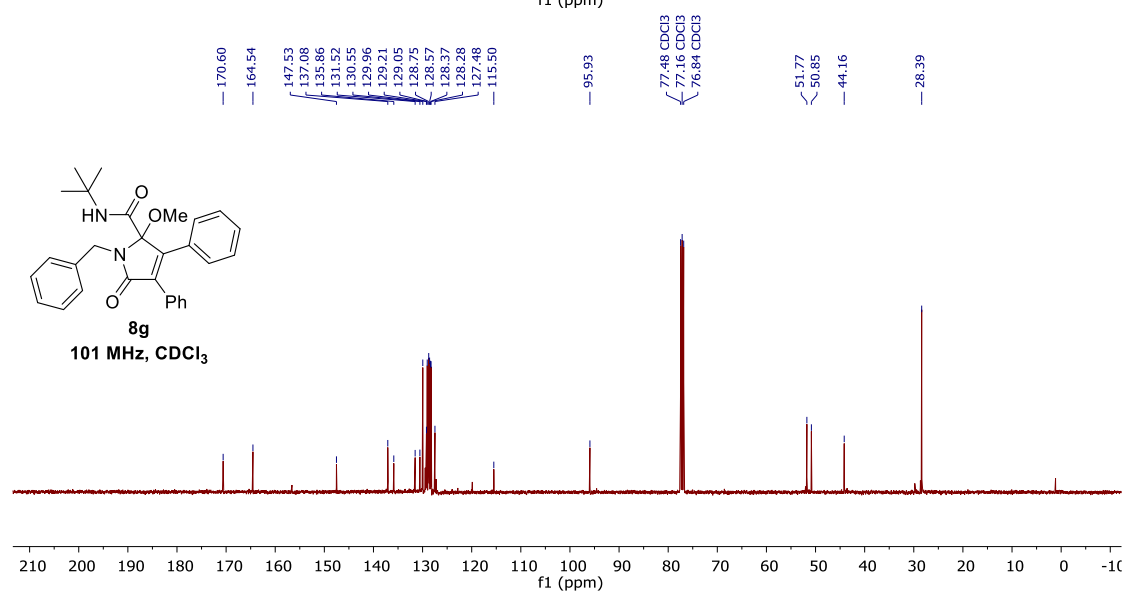
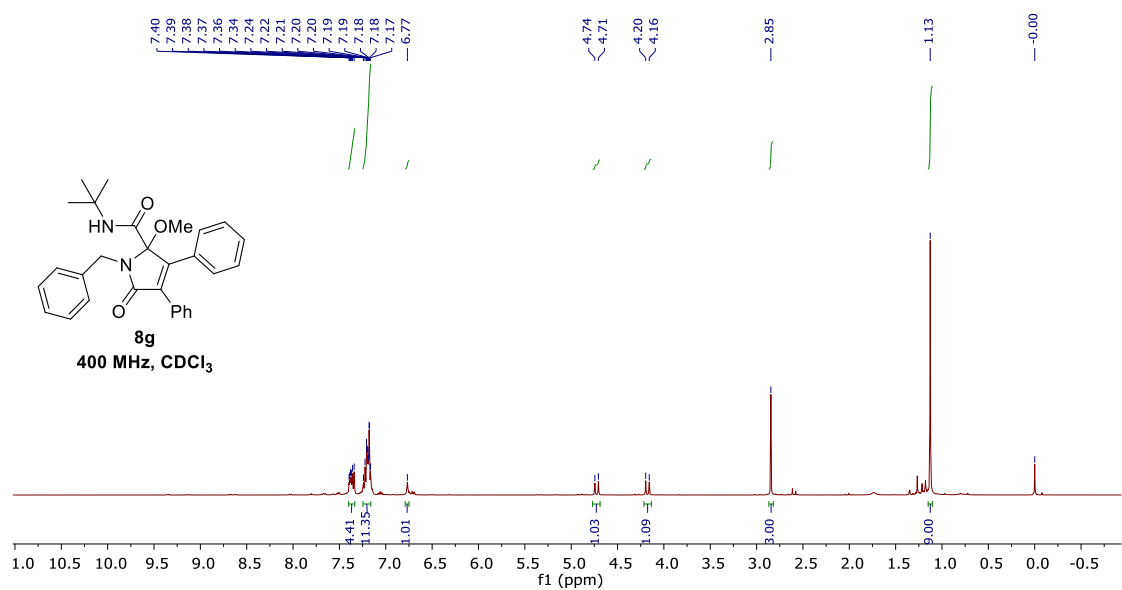


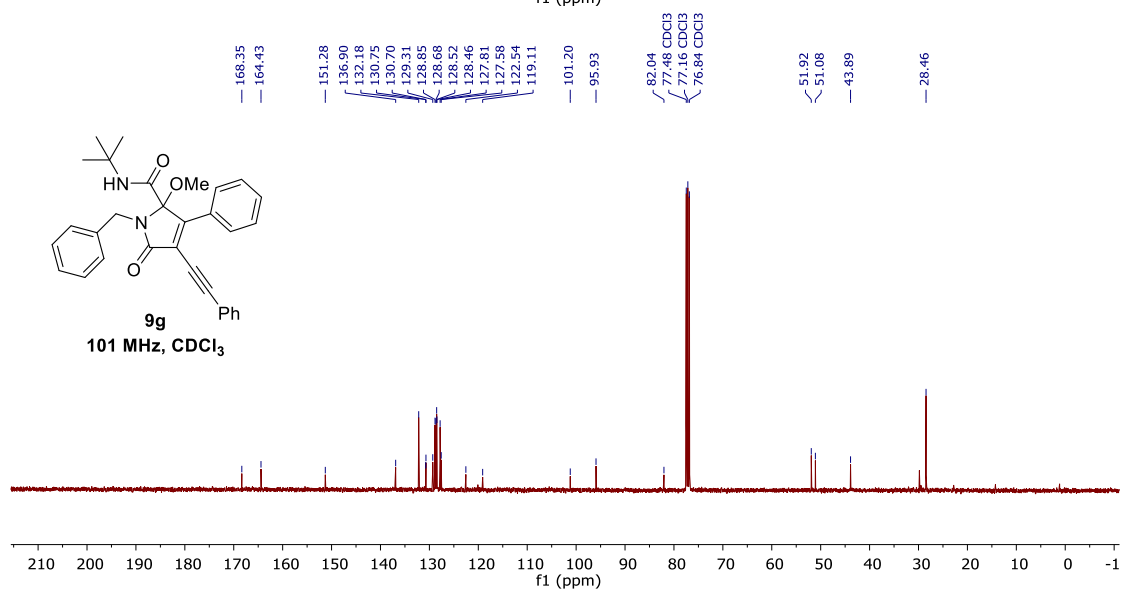
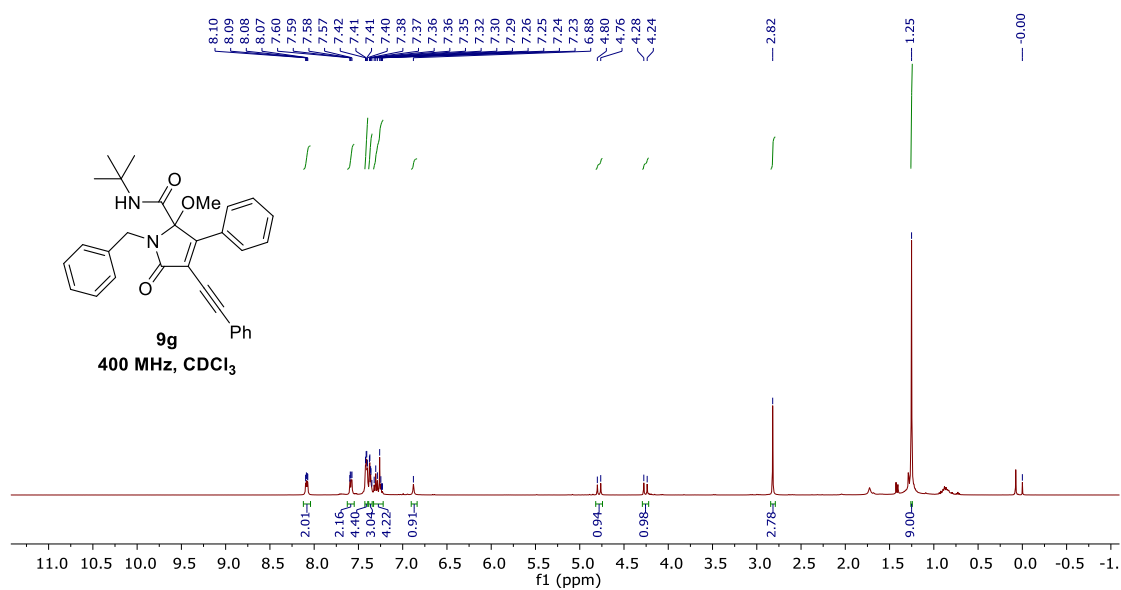


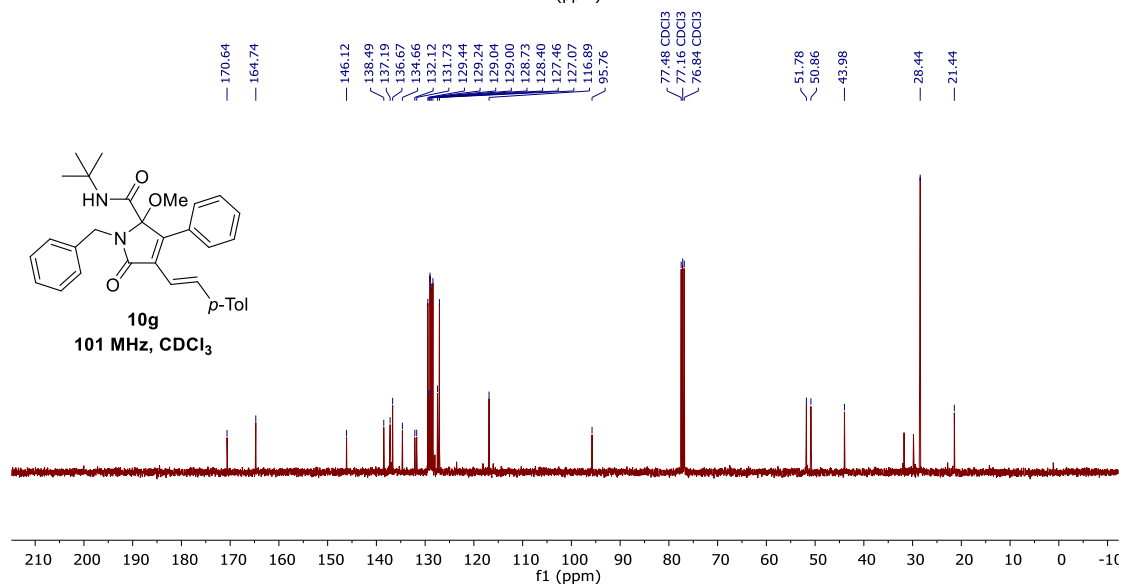
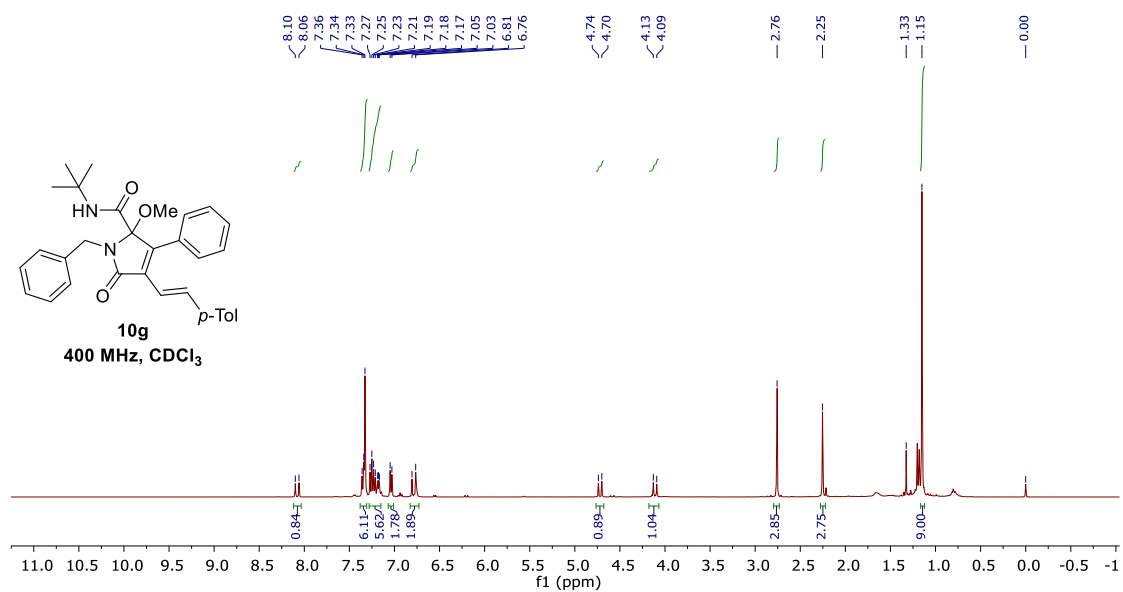


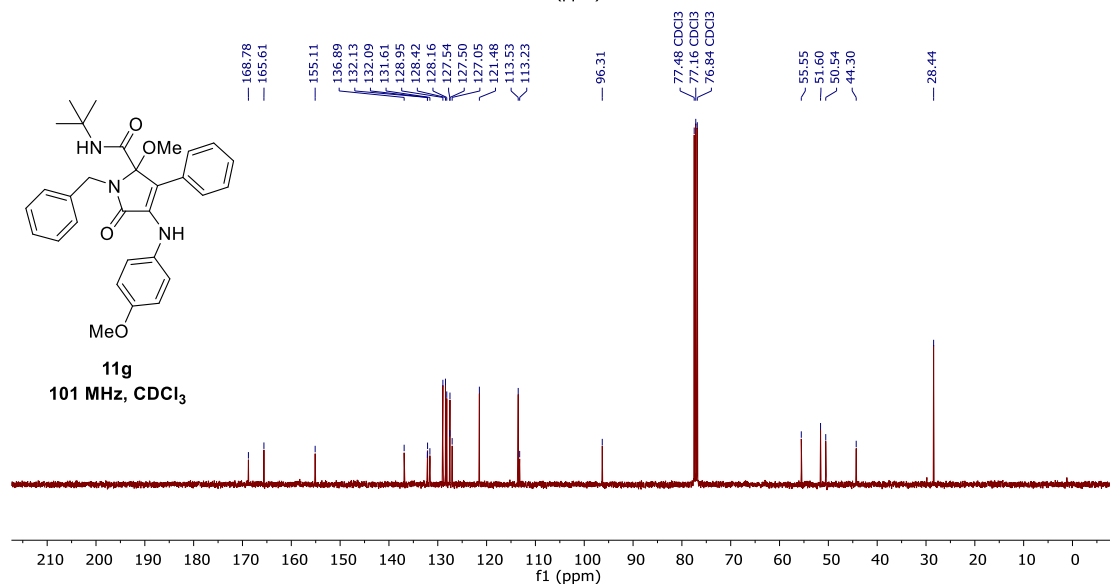
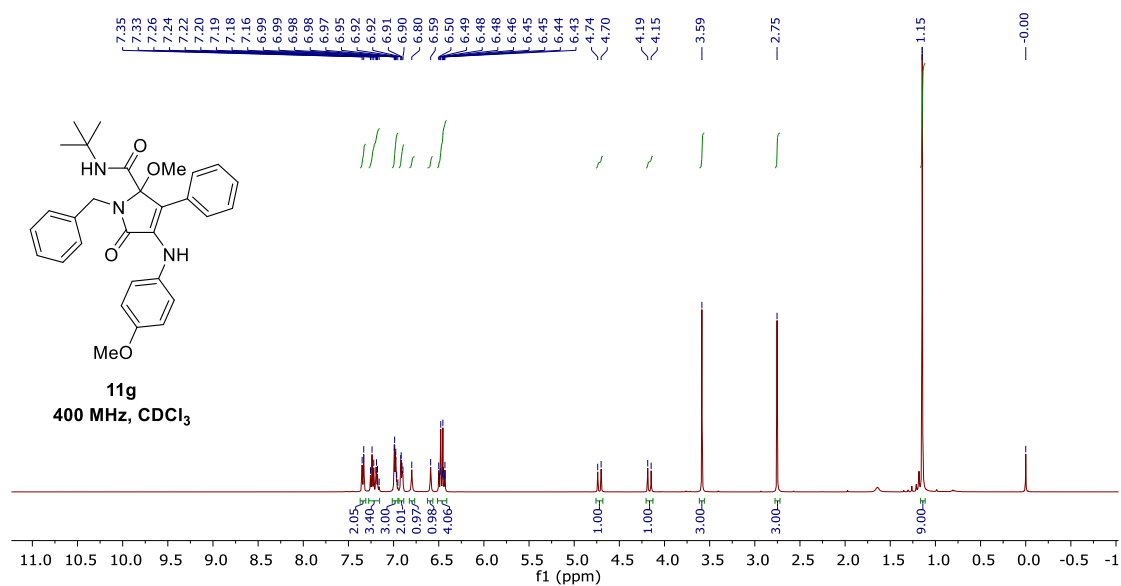


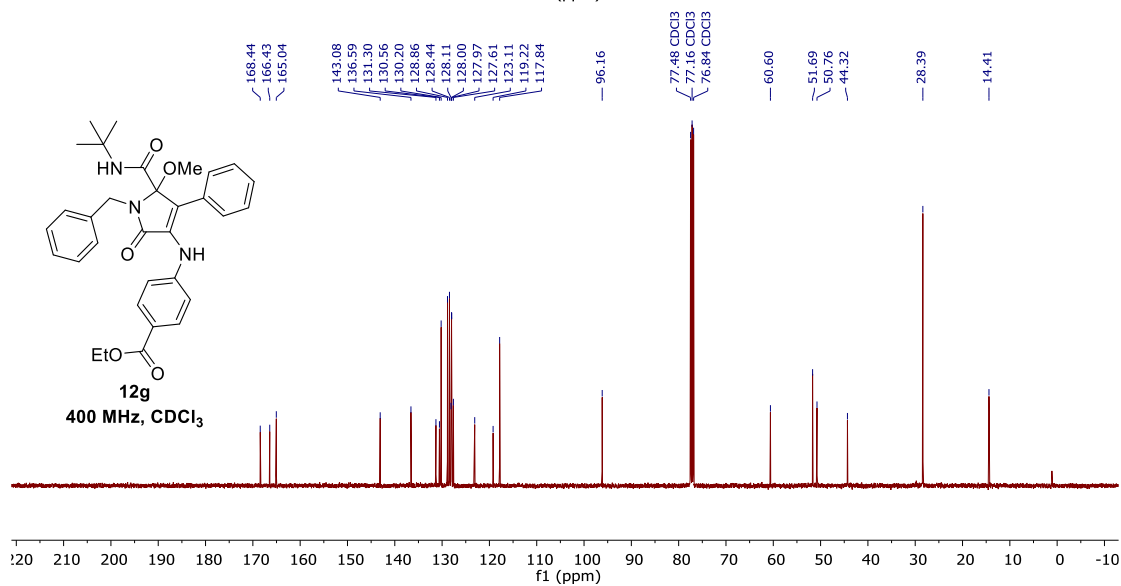
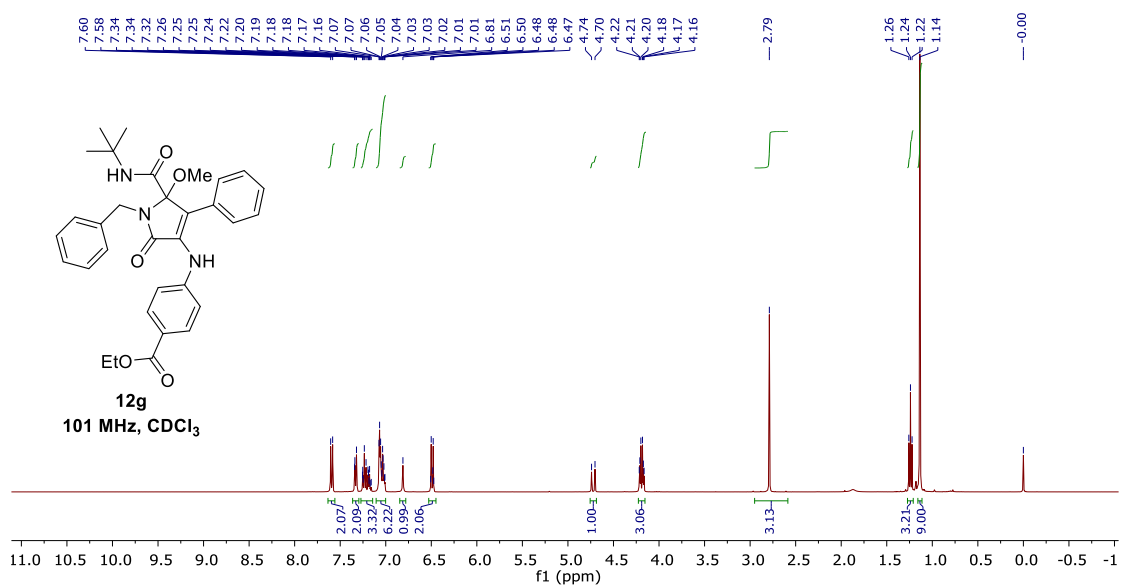


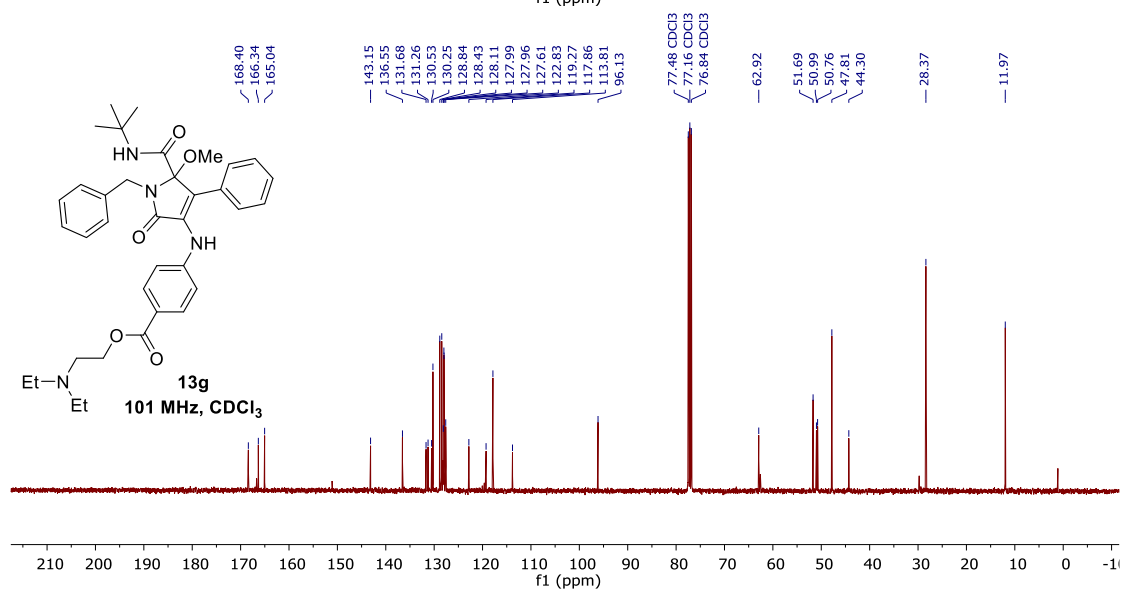
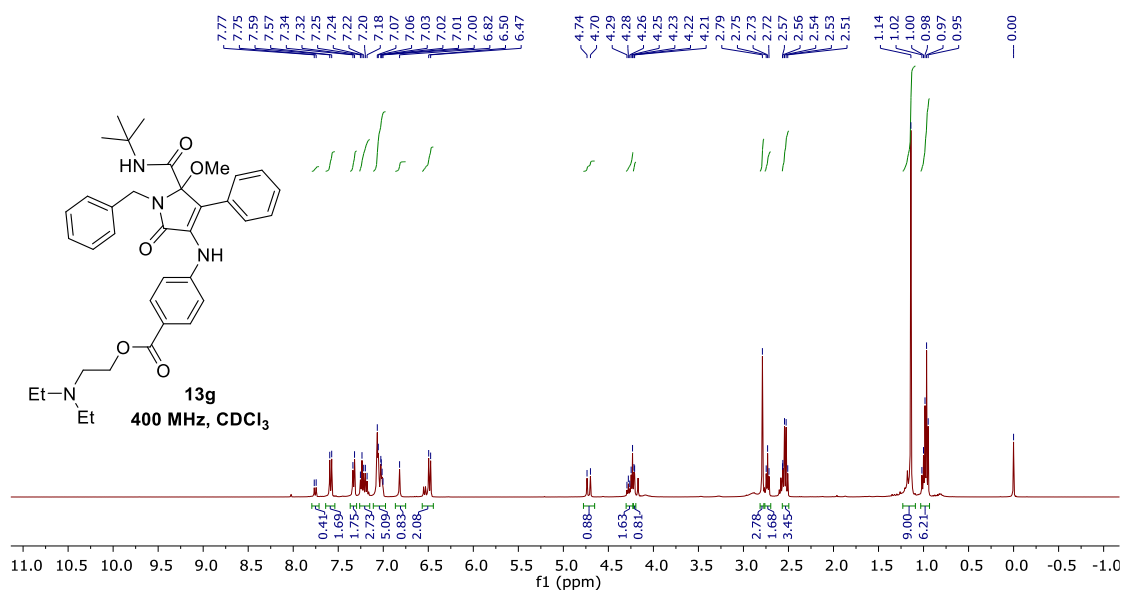


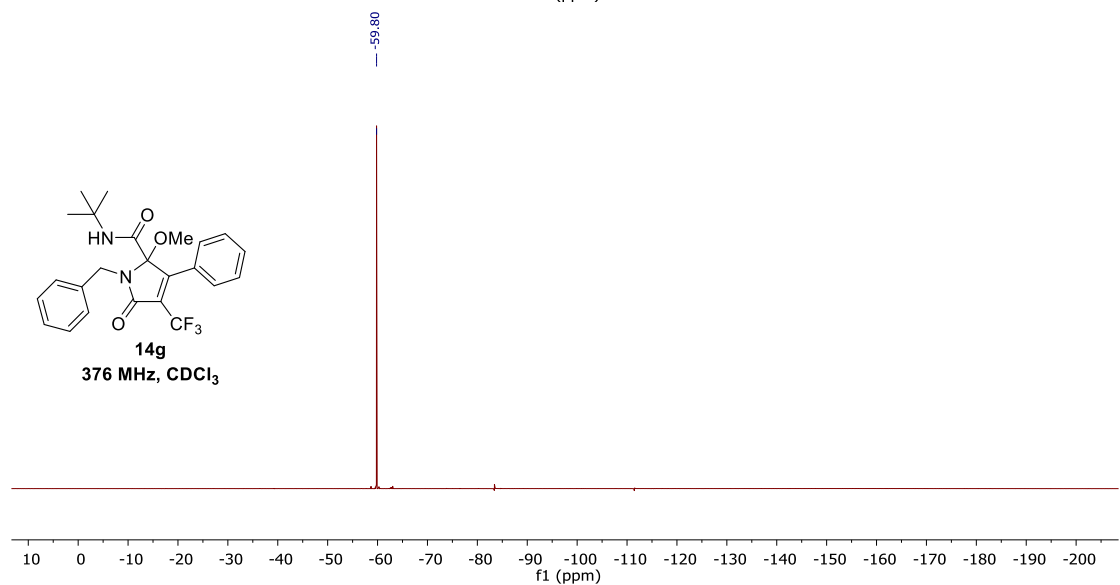
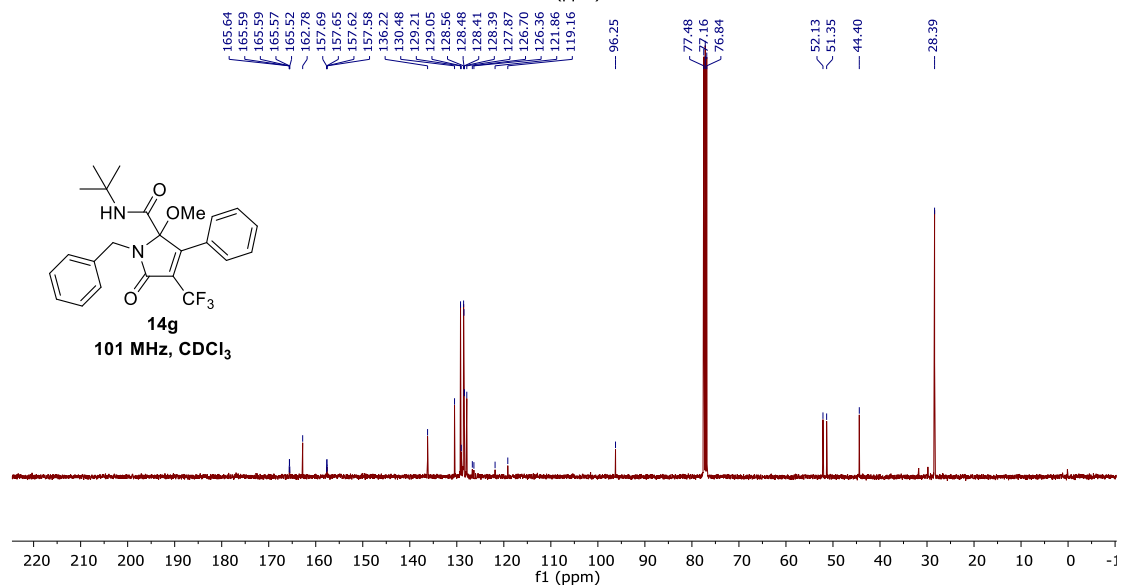
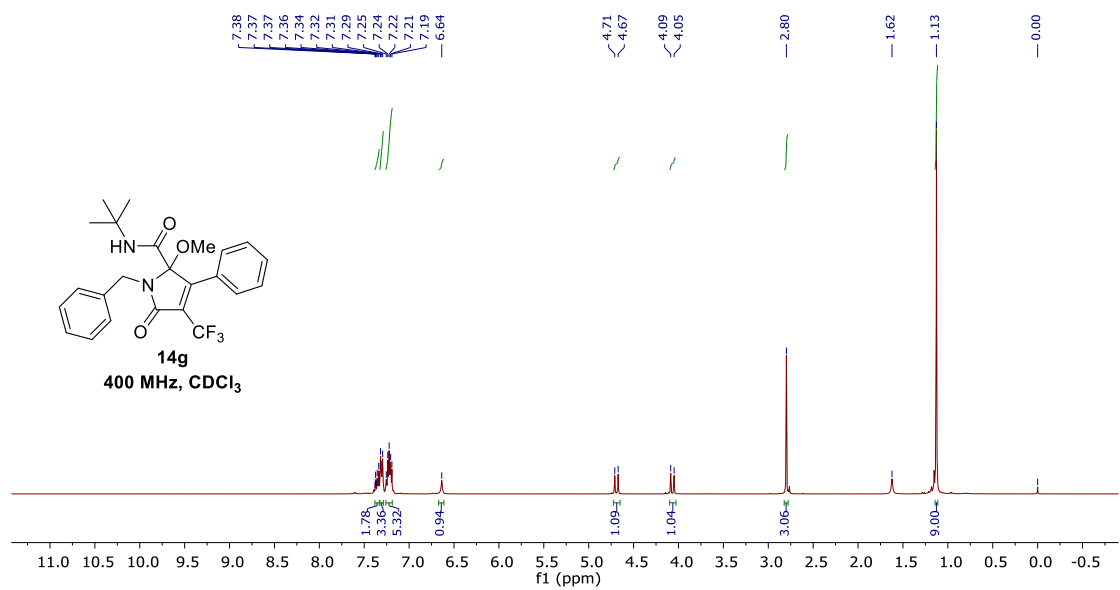


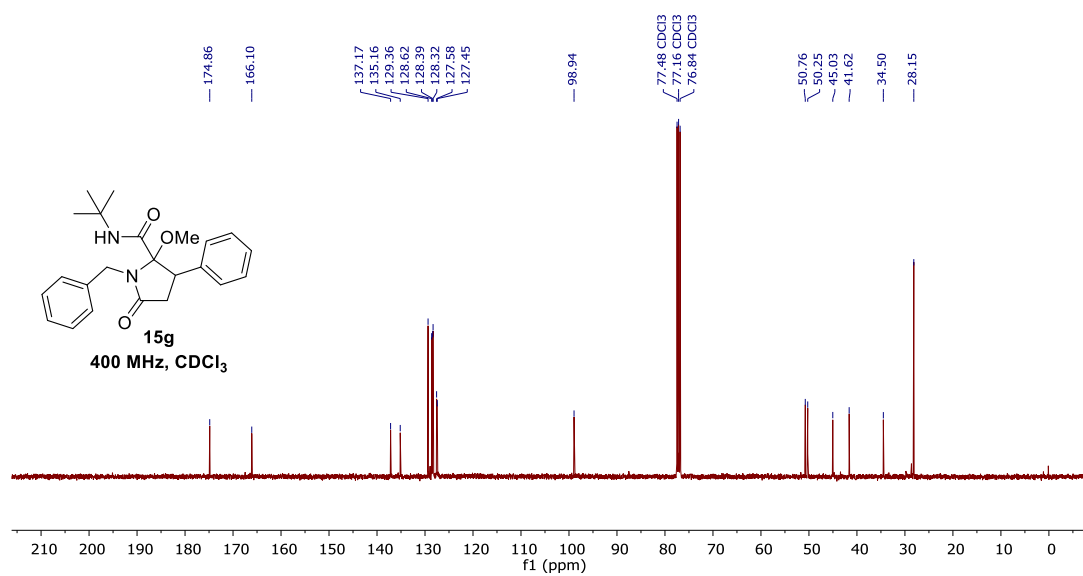
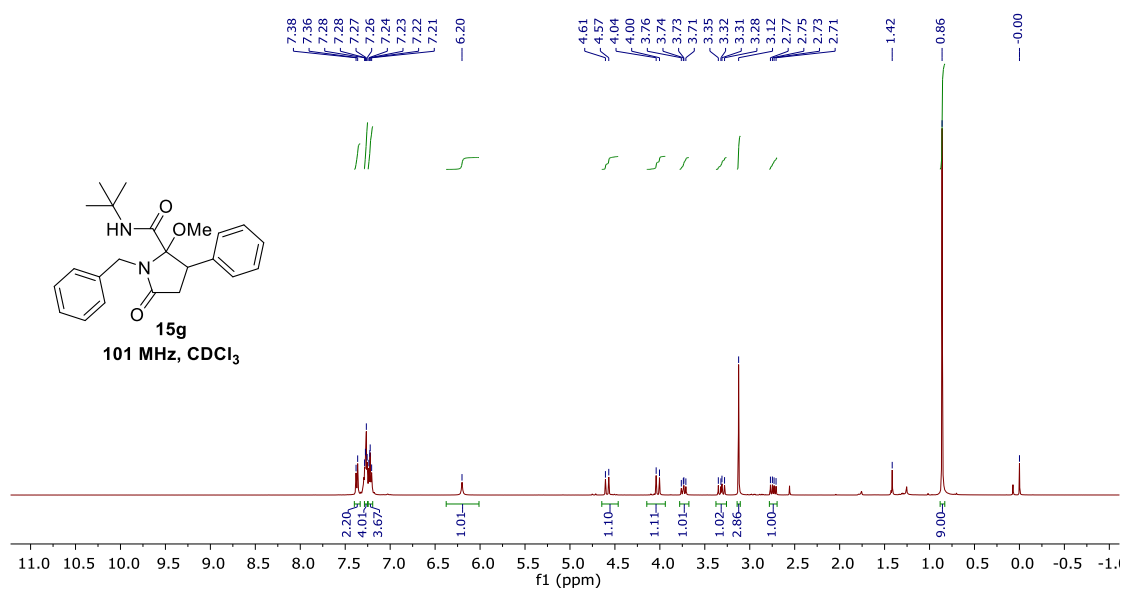


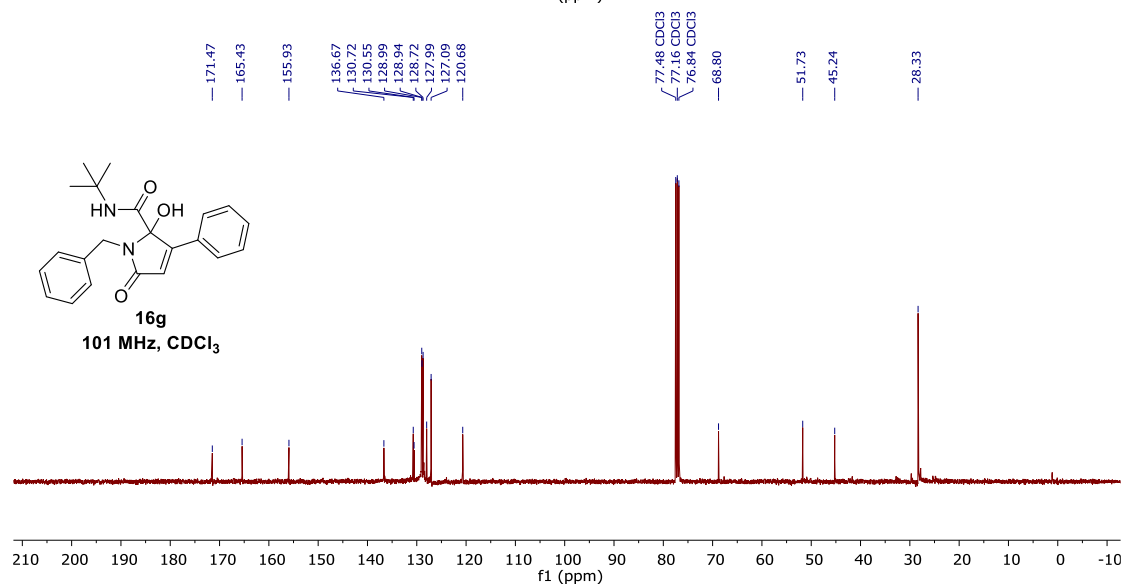
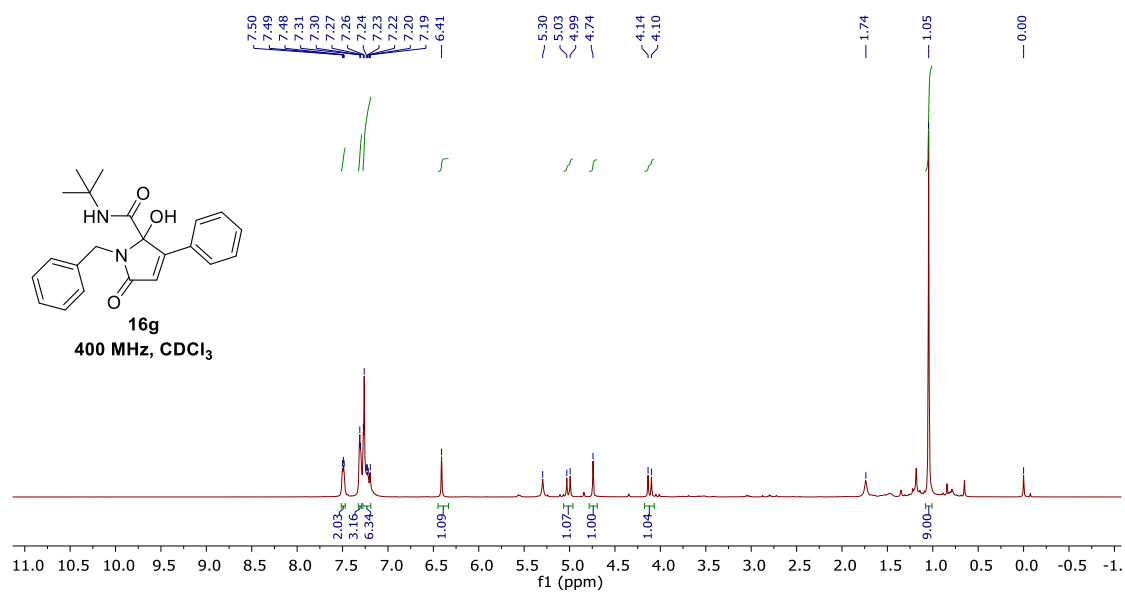


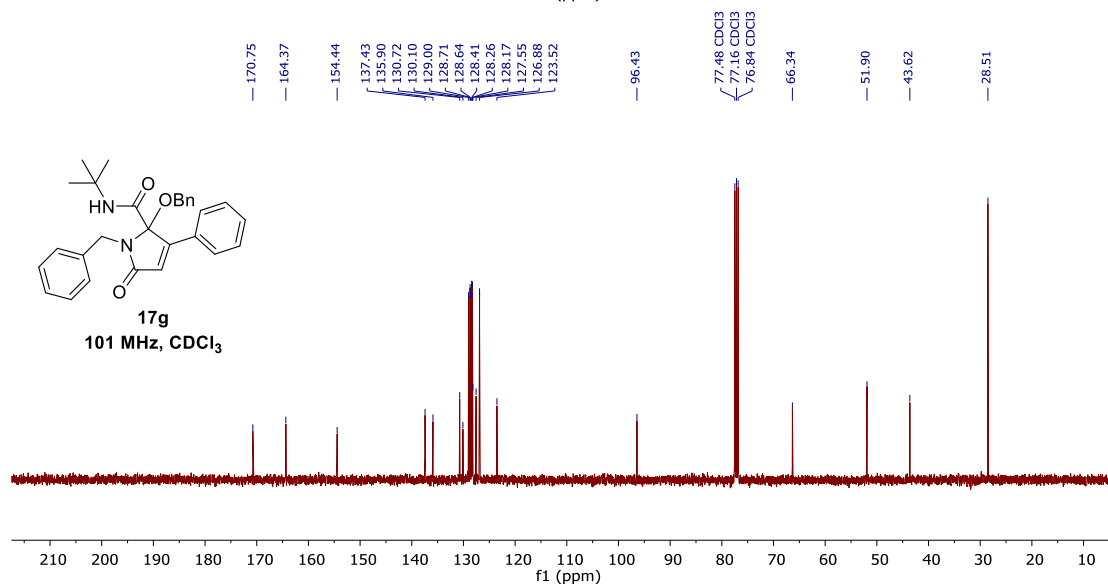
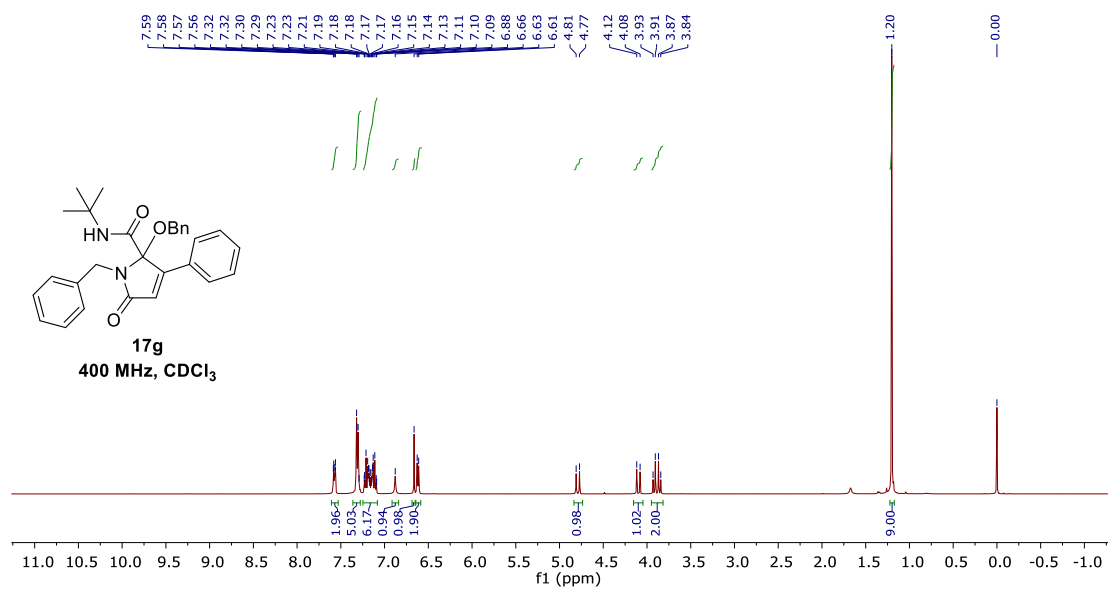


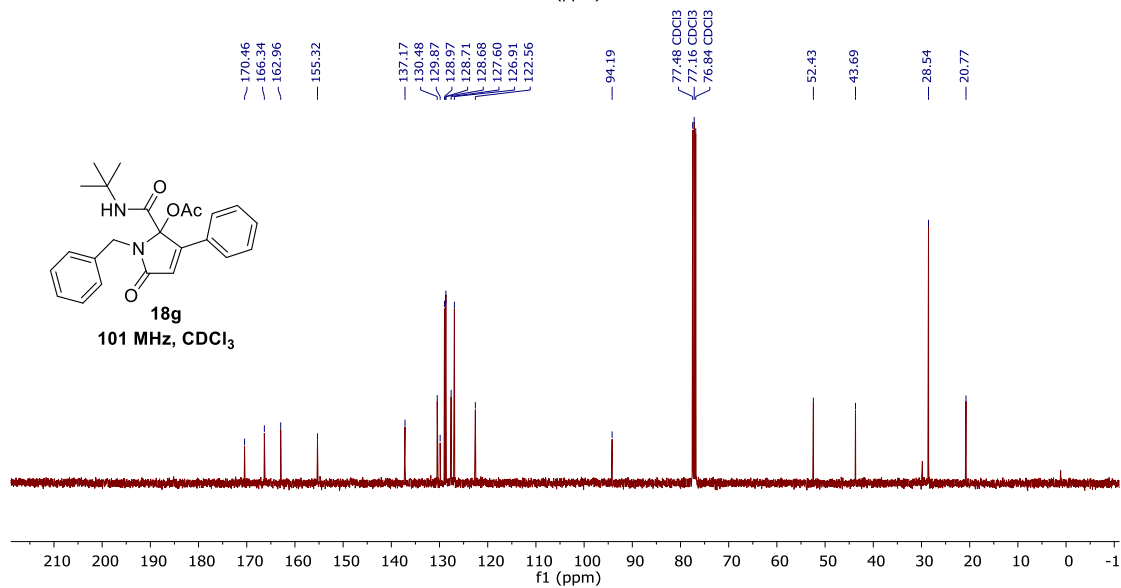
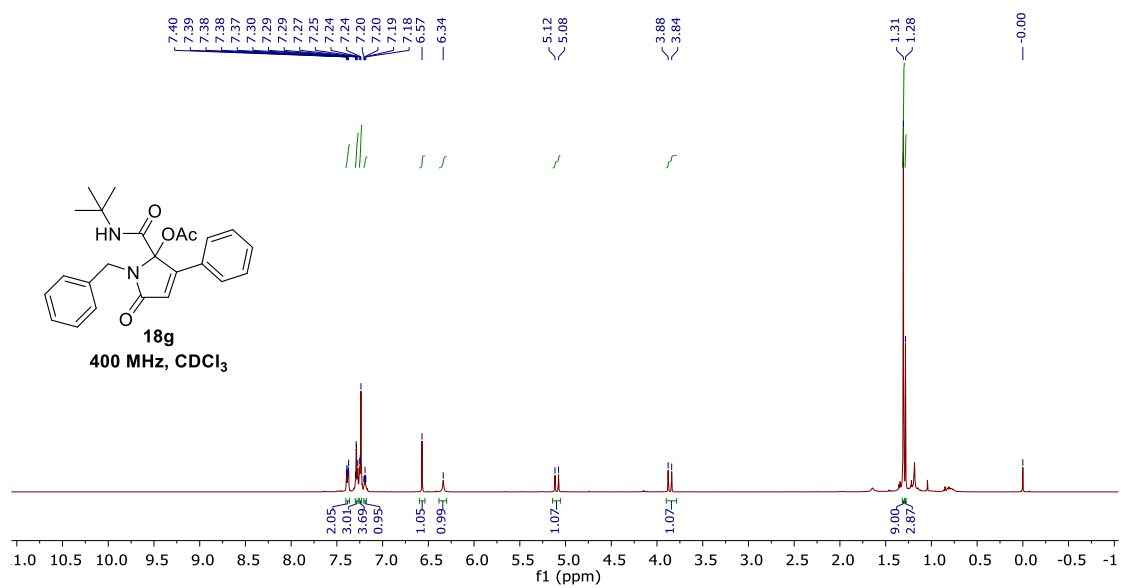












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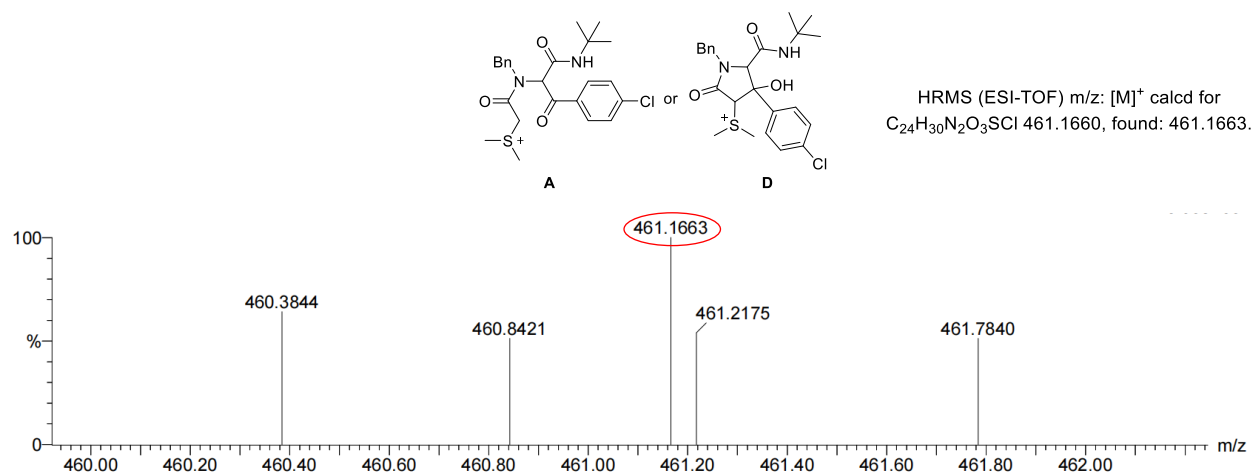


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