

Supporting Information

Visible-Light TiO_2 -Catalyzed Synthesis of Dihydrobenzofurans by Oxidative [3+2] Annulation of Phenols with Alkenyl Phenols

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General Considerations

Reactions were performed in round-bottom flasks with a IKA C-MAG HS7 stir plates. When necessary, solvents were dried and purified before use via a solvent purification system (THF). Other commercial reagents were used without additional purification. For light irradiation, a Kessil PR160L blue LED lamp ($\lambda_{\text{max}} = 440$ nm, 100% intensity, max 45 W, 5 cm from wall of flask) was employed with a commercial blade fan for cooling and a commercial mirror for light reflection.

Titanium dioxide (TiO_2) (anatase) used in this reaction was purchased from Fisher (Acros organics): Titanium(IV) oxide, 98.0-100.5% TiO_2 ($\leq 10 \mu\text{m}$), Code 277370010; Lot A0422338.

Analytical thin layer chromatography (TLC) was performed on EM Reagents 0.25 mm silica-gel 254-F plates. Visualization of the TLC plates was accomplished with UV light. Automated flash chromatography was performed using a Teledyne ISCO CombiFlash® (254 nm & 280 nm UV detector) with RediSep Rf Gold® disposable silica columns (60 Å porosity, 20–40 μm) or flash chromatography with forced flow of the indicated solvent system on Silica-P flash silica gel (50-63 μm mesh particle size). NMR spectra (^1H , ^{13}C) were recorded on a Fourier transform NMR spectrometer equipped with an autosampler at 298 K using field strengths of 400/600 MHz and 151 MHz, respectively. Chemical shifts are reported relative to the solvent resonance peak δ 7.26 (CDCl_3) for ^1H NMR spectra and δ 77.16 (CDCl_3) for ^{13}C NMR spectra. Data are reported as follows: chemical shift, multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, b = broad singlet, m = multiplet, qd = quartet of doublet, hept = heptet), coupling constants, and number of protons. Accurate mass measurement analyses were acquired using an LCMS with electrospray ionization (ESI). The software calibrates the instruments, and reports measurements, by use of neutral atomic masses; the mass of the electron is not subtracted (positive ions) or added (negative ions). Unless otherwise noted, yields refer to isolated material following silica gel chromatography and purity is determined by ^1H NMR spectroscopy.

General Procedure A: Preparation of Alkenyl Phenols

To a flame-dried round-bottom flask, $\text{KO}t\text{Bu}$ (2.0 equiv.) and ethyltriphenylphosphonium bromide (2.0 equiv) were added. The flask was sealed and charged with an atmosphere of argon after three cycles of evacuation/backfill using a Schlenk manifold. Sufficient dry THF (see individual procedures for amounts) was added to give an ylide solution, which was orange or yellow colored. After stirring for 2 h at room temperature, the mixture was cooled to 0 °C and benzaldehyde (1.0 equiv) in dry THF (12 mL) was added dropwise. The reaction mixture was stirred and allowed to slowly warm to room temperature. After stirring 12 h, the mixture was quenched with 2 N HCl. Saturated sodium bicarbonate solution was added, and the resultant mixture was extracted using EtOAc three times. The combined organic layers were washed with brine and deionized water, dried over anhydrous Na_2SO_4 , and concentrated. Chromatography (EtOAc/hexanes) afforded the product as a yellow oil.

General Procedure B: Reaction Optimization

To a 100 mL round-bottom flask, 2-*tert*-butyl-4-methoxyphenol (200 mg, 2.0 equiv), isoeugenol (93 mg, 1.0 equiv), TiO_2 (448 mg, 10.0 equiv), and 1:1 ratio of hexafluoroisopropanol and trifluorotoluene (4 mL) were added. The round bottom flask was capped with a rubber septum. An air balloon was inserted to the round bottom flask above the

solvent level using a hypodermic needle. During the reaction the round bottom flask was irradiated with two 440 nm blue Kessil lamps on 100% power and five cm from the round bottom flask. A glass mirror was placed below the round bottom flask and a commercial fan was placed next to the round bottom flask for cooling. The reaction mixture was sampled during the reaction to monitor the conversion.

General Procedure C: Reaction Scope

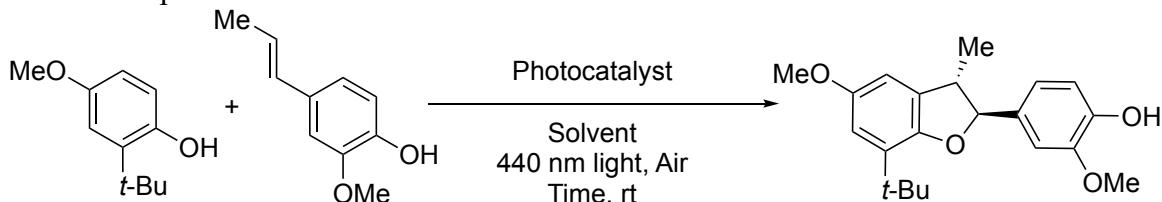
To a 100 mL round-bottom flask, phenol (1.12 mmol, 2.0 equiv), alkenyl phenol (0.56 mmol, 1.0 equiv), TiO_2 (5.6 mmol, 10.0 equiv), and 1:1 ratio of hexafluoroisopropanol and trifluorotoluene (0.14 M, 4 mL) were added. The round bottom flask was capped with a rubber septum, and an air balloon was inserted to the round bottom flask above the solvent level using a hypodermic needle. During the reaction the round bottom flask was irradiated with one 440 nm blue Kessil lamps on 100% power and five cm from the round bottom flask for the indicated time. A glass mirror was placed below the round bottom flask and a commercial fan was placed next to the round bottom flask for cooling.



Figure S1: Example reaction assembly.

General Procedure D: Purification

The unpurified reaction mixture was added to a 50 mL plastic Falcon centrifuge tube together with methanol rinses from the round bottom flask. The resultant reaction mixture was centrifuged at 4000 rpm for five min. The top liquid layer was collected, the bottom solid residual (TiO_2) was collected and washed with 25 mL methanol and centrifuged at 4000 rpm for 5 min again. The TiO_2 residual was washed two further times. The reaction mixture and the methanol from washing the residual TiO_2 were combined and concentrated. The resultant material was purified by silica gel column chromatography to afford pure products as determined by ^1H - and ^{13}C -NMR spectroscopy.

Table S1. Optimization of reaction conditions


Entry ^[a]	Time (h)	Isoeugenol (equiv)	BHA (equiv)	TiO ₂ (equiv)	Solvent	Yield (%) ^[a]
1	12	1.5	1.0	10	HFIP	38
2	6	1.5	1.0	10	HFIP	32
3	6	1.0	1.0	10	HFIP	42
4	6	1.0	2.0	10	HFIP	59
5	6	3.0	1.0	10	HFIP	2
6	6	1.0	1.0	10	HFIP/TFT (1:1)	54
7	6	1.0	2.0	10	HFIP/TFT (1:1)	66
8	6	1.0	5.0	10	HFIP/TFT (1:1)	35
9	6	1.0	2.0	10	HFIP/MeCN (1:1)	51

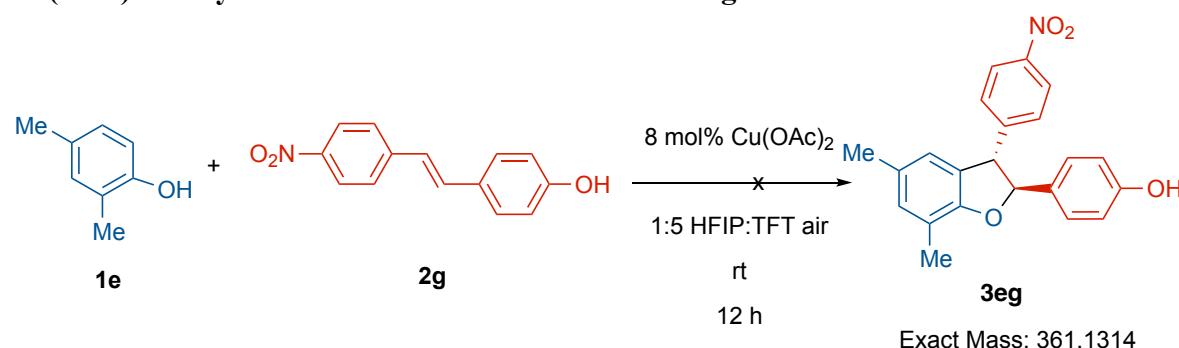
[a] Reaction conditions: general procedure C was followed using *iso*-eugenol (**2a**) (0.56 mmol, 1.00 equiv), 2-*tert*-butyl-4-methoxyphenol (1.12 mmol, 2.00 equiv), TiO₂ (x equiv) and solvent (4.00 mL, 0.14 M) for x h. [b] yield after chromatography.

Table S2. Control reactions

Entry ^[c]	Photocatalyst	Light	Oxidant	Yield
1	10 equiv TiO ₂	dark ^[d]	Air	/
2	10 equiv TiO ₂	440 nm light	Argon	/
3	/	440 nm light	Air	/

[a] Reaction conditions: 0.56 mmol *iso*-eugenol (**2a**), 1.12 mmol 2-*tert*-butyl-4-methoxyphenol, x equiv TiO₂, 4.0 mL HFIP, irradiation 440 nm Kessil lamp; five cm distance for 6 h under 1 atm Air (unless otherwise mentioned in the reaction conditions). For reactions in the dark, the round bottom flasks were covered with aluminium foil.

Cu(OAc)₂ catalyzed¹ reaction for model substrate 3eg:



Scheme S1. Cu(OAc)₂ catalyzed reaction for the synthesis of 3eg

To a 100 mL round-bottom flask, Cu(OAc)₂ (0.048 mmol, 0.08 equiv), and 1:5 ratio of hexafluoroisopropanol and trifluorotoluene (0.10 M, 6 mL) were added. Cu(OAc)₂ would not dissolve in 6 mL HFIP:TFT (1:5). The Cu(OAc)₂ solution was then sonicated for 10 minutes, no change in Cu(OAc)₂ dissolution. Then 2,4-dimethylphenol (0.60 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 4-(4-nitrostyryl)phenol (0.66 mmol, 1.1 equiv), were added to the Cu(OAc)₂ solution. The round bottom flask was capped with a rubber septum, and an air balloon was inserted to the round bottom flask above the solvent level using a hypodermic needle. Aliquots (10 μ L) were withdrawn from the flask at 12 h. The aliquots were diluted to 0.001 M with MeOH (990 μ L). This solution (2 μ L) was injected into the UPLCMS for crude analysis. No conversion of either substrate was observed on UPLCMS result.

UPLC: C18 column (2.1 mm x 5 cm). Flow rate = 0.5 mL/min. Mobile phase gradient: 50% MeCN/H₂O with 0.1% formic acid for 0.5 min, changed to 95% MeCN/H₂O with 0.1% formic over 2 min and held for 0.5 min, reduced to 5% MeCN/H₂O with 0.1% formic acid over 5 s and held for an additional 25 s. Detection = UV-Vis (TWC)



Figure S2: Cu(OAc)₂ in 6 mL (1:5 HFIP:TFT) after sonicating for 10 minutes.

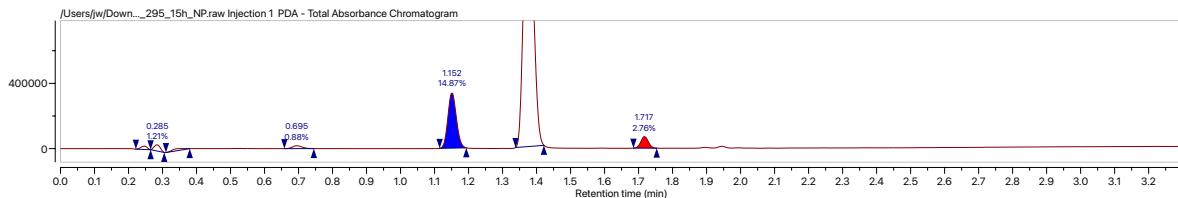


Figure S3: UPLC trace for crude reaction mixture after 12 h. t_R (**2g**) = 1.15 min, t_R (**1e**) = 1.72 min, t_R (TFT) = 1.37 min

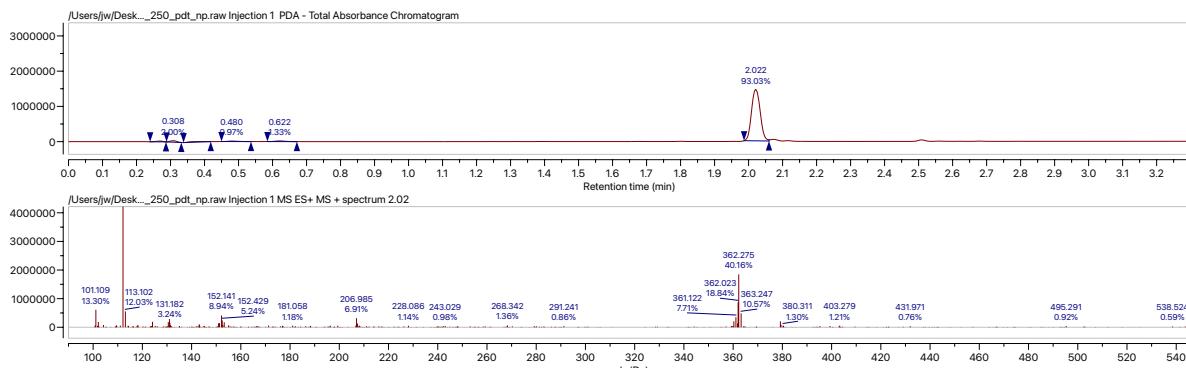
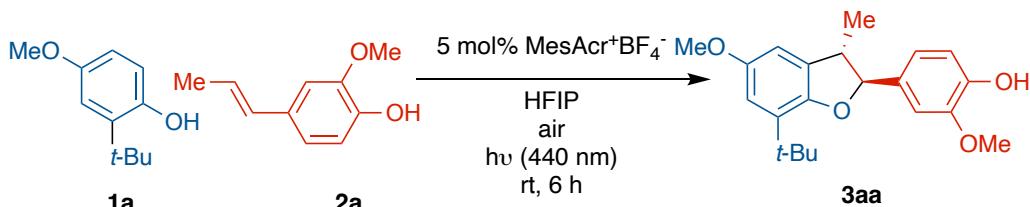


Figure S4: UPLCMS-ESI⁺ trace for **3eg**. t_R (**3eg**) = 2.02 min. ESI⁺MS: t_R (**3eg**) = 2.02 min, m/z = 362.275.

MesAcr⁺BF₄⁻ catalyzed reaction for model substrate **3eg**:



Scheme S2. Acridinium catalyzed reaction for the synthesis of **3aa**

To a 100 mL round-bottom flask, 2-*tert*-butyl-4-methoxyphenol (1.20 mmol, 2.0 equiv), *iso*-eugenol (0.60 mmol, 1.0 equiv) 9-mesityl-10-methylacridinium tetrafluoroborate (0.030 mmol, 0.05 equiv), and hexafluoroisopropanol (0.10 M, 6 mL) were added. The round bottom flask was capped with a rubber septum, and an air balloon was inserted to the round bottom flask above the solvent level using a hypodermic needle. During the reaction the round bottom flask was irradiated with one 440 nm blue Kessil lamps on 100% power and five cm from the round bottom flask for the indicated time. A glass mirror was placed below the round bottom flask and a commercial fan was placed next to the round bottom flask for cooling. Aliquots (10 μ L) were withdrawn from the flask at 6 h. The aliquots were diluted to 0.001 M with MeOH (990 μ L). This solution (2 μ L) was injected into the UPLCMS for crude analysis.

The reaction mixture was concentrated on silica gel and purified by silica gel column chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc 85:15) to afford **3aa** (29 mg, 0.084 mmol) in 14% isolated yield.

UPLC: C18 column (2.1 mm x 5 cm). Flow rate = 0.5 mL/min. Mobile phase gradient: 50% MeCN/H₂O with 0.1% formic acid for 0.5 min, changed to 95% MeCN/H₂O with 0.1% formic over 2 min and held for 0.5 min, reduced to 5% MeCN/H₂O with 0.1% formic acid over 5 s and held for an additional 25 s. Detection = UV-Vis (TWC)

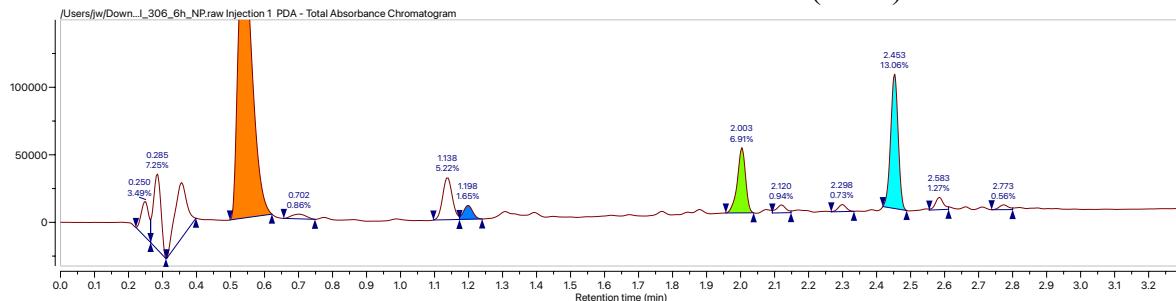


Figure S5: UPLC spectrum for the reaction of **3aa** after 6 hours. t_R (**MesAcr⁺BF₄⁻**) = 0.55 min, t_R (**1a**) = 1.20 min, t_R (**3aa**) = 2.00 min, t_R (**over oxidized adduct**) = 2.45 min

Additional studies:

Mechanism studies:

Kinetic study:

To a 100 mL round-bottom flask, isoeugenol (0.56 mmol, 1.0 equiv), TiO₂ (5.6 mmol, 5.0 equiv), HFIP (0.1 M, 6 mL) were added. The round bottom flask was capped with a rubber septum, and an air balloon was inserted to the round bottom flask above the solvent level using a hypodermic needle. During the reaction the round bottom flask was irradiated with one 440 nm blue Kessil lamps on 100% power and 3 cm from the round bottom flask for the indicated time. A glass mirror was placed below the round bottom flask and a commercial fan was placed next to the round bottom flask for cooling. Aliquots (10 μ L) were withdrawn from the flask at intervals. The aliquots were diluted to 0.001 M with 0.001 M 4-ethyl anisole as an internal standard in MeOH (990 μ L). The sample was passed through a PTFE 0.45 μ m syringe filter to remove titanium dioxide. This solution (2 μ L) was injected into the UPLC and the concentration of *iso*-eugenol was determined by UPLC using UV-Vis (TWC) relative to the 4-ethyl anisole with a response factor of 28.83.

UPLC: C18 column (2.1 mm x 5 cm). Flow rate = 0.5 mL/min. Mobile phase gradient: 50% MeCN/H₂O with 0.1% formic acid for 0.5 min, changed to 95% MeCN/H₂O with 0.1% formic over 2 min and held for 0.5 min, reduced to 5% MeCN/H₂O with 0.1% formic acid over 5 s and held for an additional 25 s. Detection = UV-Vis (TWC). t_R (*iso*-eugenol) = 0.9 min, t_R (4-ethyl anisole) = 1.56 min. The response factor was determined to be 22513834/780882=28.83 from a solution of 1:1 *iso*-eugenol:4-ethyl anisole.

To a 100 mL round-bottom flask, 2-*tert*-butyl-4-methoxyphenol (0.56 mmol, 1.0 equiv), TiO₂ (5.6 mmol, 5.0 equiv), HFIP (0.1 M, 6 mL) were added. The round bottom flask was capped with a rubber septum, and an air balloon was inserted to the round bottom flask above the solvent level using a hypodermic needle. During the reaction the round bottom flask was irradiated with one 440 nm blue Kessil lamps on 100% power and 3 cm from the round bottom flask for the indicated time. A glass mirror was placed below the round bottom flask and a commercial fan was placed next to the round bottom flask for cooling. Aliquots (10 μ L) were withdrawn from the flask at x h intervals. The aliquots were diluted to 0.001 M with 0.001 M 1,3,5-trimethoxybenzene as an internal standard in MeOH (990

μL). The sample was passed through a PTFE 0.45 μm syringe filter to remove titanium dioxide. This solution (2 μL) was injected into the UPLC and the concentration of 2-*tert*-butyl-4-methoxyphenol was determined by UPLC using UV-Vis (TWC) relative to the 1,3,5-trimethoxybenzene with a response factor of 0.482.

UPLC: C18 column (2.1 mm x 5 cm). Flow rate = 0.5 mL/min. Mobile phase gradient: 50% MeCN/H₂O with 0.1% formic acid for 0.5 min, changed to 95% MeCN/H₂O with 0.1% formic over 2 min and held for 0.5 min, reduced to 5% MeCN/H₂O with 0.1% formic acid over 5 s and held for an additional 25 s. Detection = UV-Vis (TWC). t_R (2-*tert*-butyl-4-methoxyphenol) = 1.26 min, t_R (1,3,5-trimethoxybenzene) = 0.939 min. The response factor was determined to be 22513834/780882=28.83 from a solution of 1: 2-*tert*-butyl-4-methoxyphenol: 1,3,5-trimethoxybenzene.

To a 100 mL round-bottom flask, 3-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyanisole (0.56 mmol, 1.0 equiv), TiO₂ (5.6 mmol, 5.0 equiv), HFIP (0.1 M, 6 mL) were added. The round bottom flask was capped with a rubber septum, and an air balloon was inserted to the round bottom flask above the solvent level using a hypodermic needle. During the reaction the round bottom flask was irradiated with one 440 nm blue Kessil lamps on 100% power and 3 cm from the round bottom flask for the indicated time. A glass mirror was placed below the round bottom flask and a commercial fan was placed next to the round bottom flask for cooling. Aliquots (10 μL) were withdrawn from the flask at x h intervals. The aliquots were diluted to 0.001 M with 0.001 M 1,3,5-trimethoxybenzene as an internal standard in MeOH (990 μL). The sample was passed through a PTFE 0.45 μm syringe filter to remove titanium dioxide. This solution (2 μL) was injected into the UPLC and the concentration of 3-*tert*-butyl-4-methoxyphenol was determined by UPLC using UV-Vis (TWC) relative to the 1,3,5-trimethoxybenzene with a response factor of 0.527.

UPLC: C18 column (2.1 mm x 5 cm). Flow rate = 0.5 mL/min. Mobile phase gradient: 50% MeCN/H₂O with 0.1% formic acid for 0.5 min, changed to 95% MeCN/H₂O with 0.1% formic over 2 min and held for 0.5 min, reduced to 5% MeCN/H₂O with 0.1% formic acid over 5 s and held for an additional 25 s. Detection = UV-Vis (TWC). t_R (3-*tert*-butyl-4-methoxyphenol) = 1.21 min, t_R (1,3,5-trimethoxybenzene) = 0.94 min. The response factor was determined to be 431099/818504=0.527 from a solution of 1: 3-*tert*-butyl-4-methoxyphenol: 1,3,5-trimethoxybenzene.

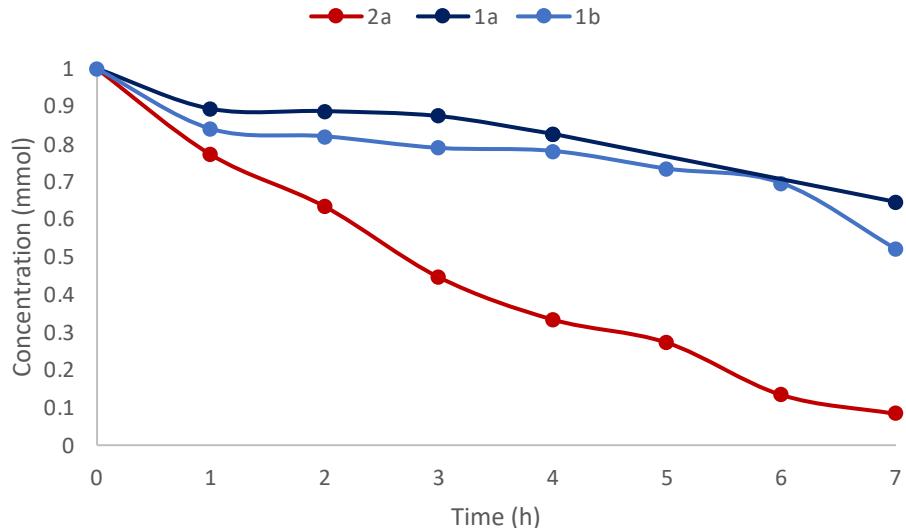
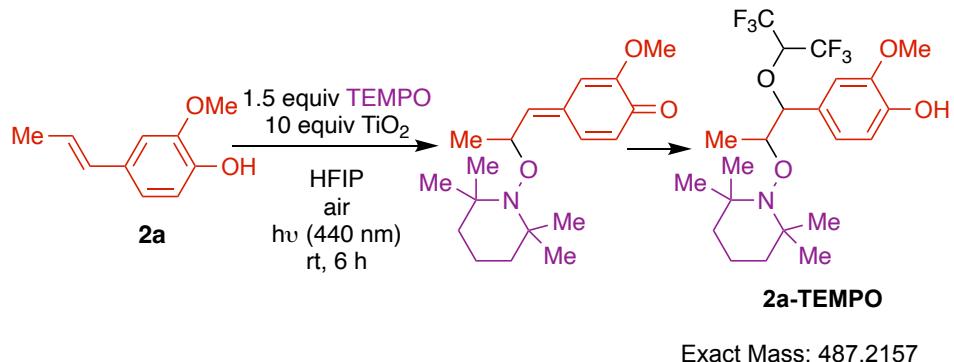


Figure S6: Concentration of **2a** vs **1b** vs **1a** over 6 hours of reaction.

Radical trapping experiment with TEMPO:



Scheme S3. radical trapping study

To a 100 mL round-bottom flask, isoeugenol (0.56 mmol, 1.00 equiv), TiO_2 (5.60 mmol, 10.0 equiv), TEMPO (0.84 mmol, 1.50 equiv), and hexafluoroisopropanol (0.09 M, 6 mL) were added. The round bottom flask was capped with a rubber septum, and an air balloon was inserted to the round bottom flask above the solvent level using a hypodermic needle. During the reaction the round bottom flask was irradiated with one 440 nm blue Kessil lamps on 100% power and five cm from the round bottom flask for the indicated time. A glass mirror was placed below the round bottom flask and a commercial fan was placed next to the round bottom flask for cooling. The unpurified reaction mixture was added to a 50 mL plastic Falcon centrifuge tube together with methanol rinses from the round bottom flask. The resultant reaction mixture was centrifuged at 4000 rpm for 5 min. The top liquid layer was collected, the bottom solid residual (TiO_2) was collected and washed with methanol (25 mL) and centrifuged at 4000 rpm for 5 min again. The residual TiO_2 was washed two further times. The reaction mixture and the methanol from washing the residual TiO_2 were combined and concentrated on Celite. The mixture on Celite was then purified using a 42 g C18 column. Mobile phase gradient: 10% MeCN/H₂O with 0.1% formic acid for 5 min, changed to 95% MeCN/H₂O with 0.1% formic over 15 min and held for 5 min. The isolated fractions containing **2a-TEMPO** were combined, and acetonitrile was subsequently removed. The mixture was then extracted with 100 mL of ethyl acetate and

dried over sodium sulfate. **2a-TEMPO** (74 mg, 0.15 mmol) was obtained in 25% isolated yield.

UPLC: C18 column (2.1 mm x 5 cm). Flow rate = 0.5 mL/min. Mobile phase gradient: 50% MeCN/H₂O with 0.1% formic acid for 0.5 min, changed to 95% MeCN/H₂O with 0.1% formic over 2 min and held for 0.5 min, reduced to 5% MeCN/H₂O with 0.1% formic acid over 5 s and held for an additional 25 s. Detection = UV-Vis (TWC)

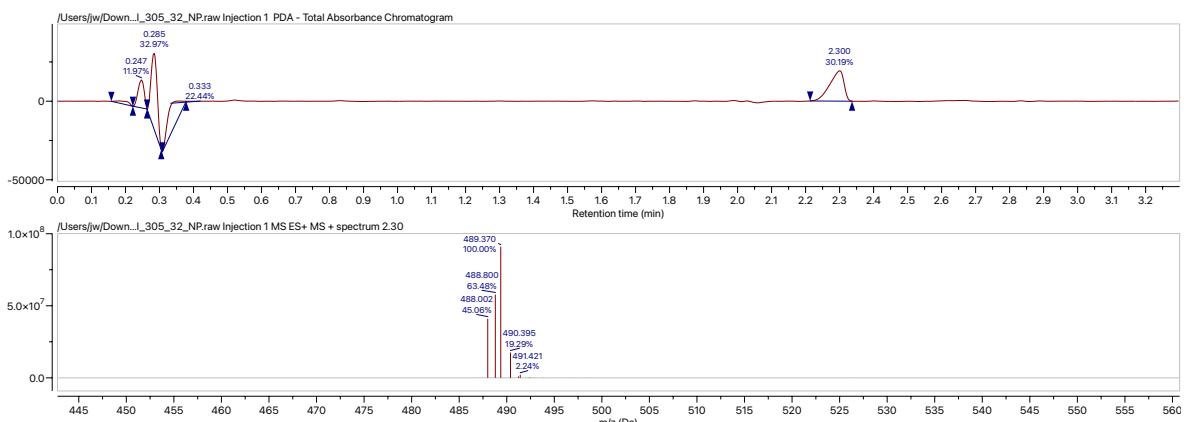


Figure S7: UPLCMS spectrum **2a-TEMPO**. t_R (**2a-TEMPO**) = 2.27 min. ESI⁺MS: t_R (**2a-TEMPO**) = 2.30 min, m/z =489.370.

Oxidation potential measurements:

Cyclic voltammetry (CV) and differential pulse voltammetry (DPV)

Experiments were performed using a CHI-620D potentiostat/galvanostat using a standard three-electrode configuration. The working electrode was a polished glassy carbon electrode (GCE, 3.0 mm diameter, CH Instruments) and the counter electrode was a Pt wire (0.5 mm diameter). Electrochemical potentials were measured against silver pseudo reference electrode (Ag/10 mM AgNO₃ in MeCN). Reported electrochemistry data are calibrated and reported versus the Fc/Fc⁺ couple. The supporting electrolyte employed for CV and DPV experiments was 0.1 M tetrabutylammonium hexafluorophosphate (TBAPF₆), dissolved in dry HFIP (1,1,1,3,3-Hexaflouropopropan-2-ol). The analyte concentration was 1.0 mM, and all CV experiments were carried out at scan rate of 100 mV/s. Before starting a new CV experiment, the WE was polished and the solution was stirred at least 30 s to ensure complete homogeneity at the electrode/electrolyte interface. The solution was then allowed to rest for at least 2 min to ensure voltammetry was performed on quiescent solutions. All the CV and DPV experiments were performed under an inert atmosphere of Ar.

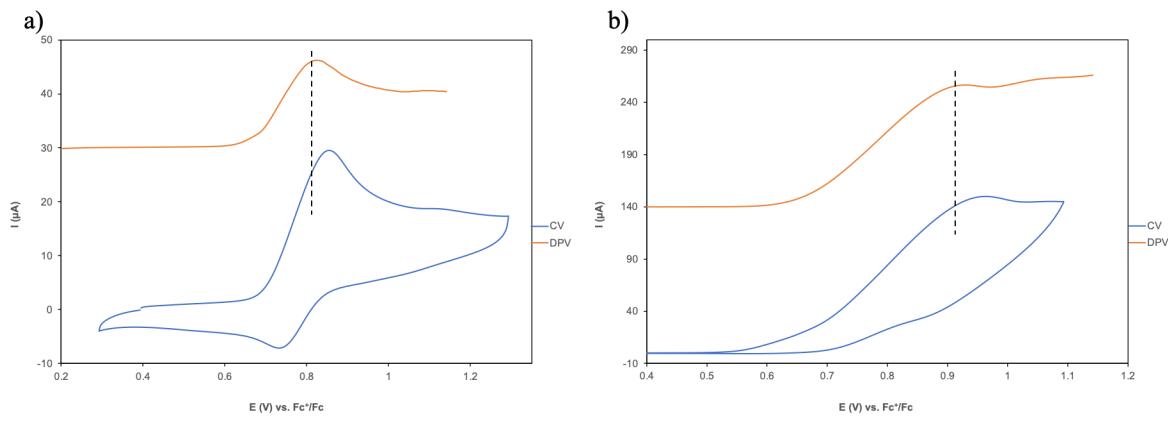


Figure S8. a) CV and DPV measurements of **1a**, measured $E_{\text{ox}} = 0.83\text{ V}$, b) CV and DPV measurements of **2a**, measured $E_{\text{ox}} = 0.92\text{ V}$.

Potassium iodide test for the presence of H_2O_2 :

A solution of freshly-prepared 10% aqueous potassium iodide solution (5 mL) was added to the reaction mixture (4 mL) and allowed to stir for 5 min. Stirring was halted. After the TiO_2 settled, the supernatant had turned from colorless to bright yellow, indicating the presence of H_2O_2 .

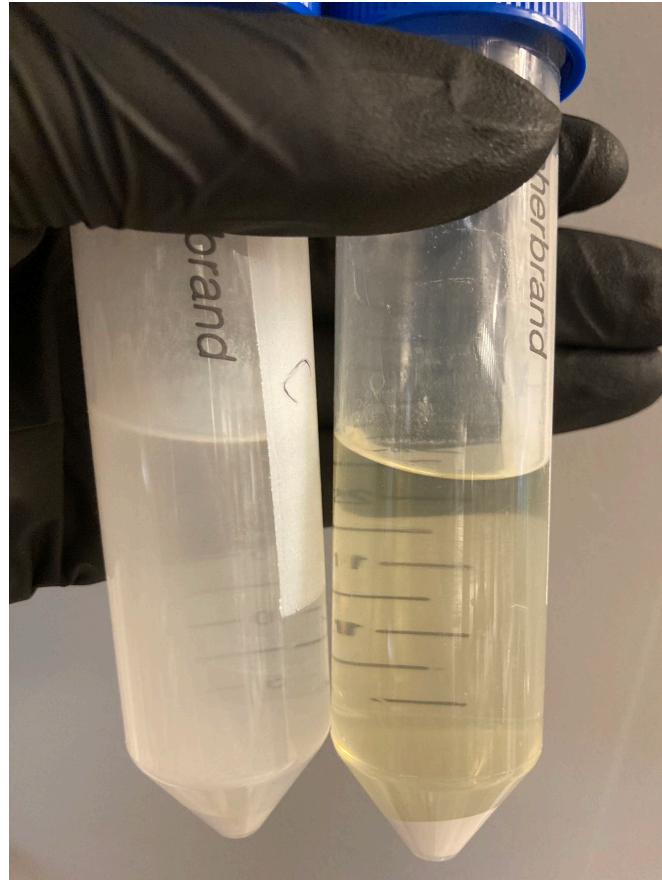
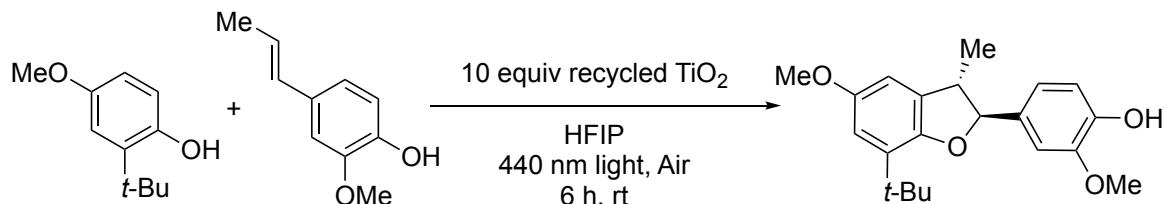


Figure S9. KI test on TiO_2 catalyzed phenol-alkenyl phenol coupling (right), control test without KI solution (left).

TiO_2 recyclability study:



Scheme S4. Recycled TiO_2 study

A 100 mL round bottom flask with a stirbar was charged with *iso*-eugenol (0.56 mmol, 1 equiv), 2-*tert*-butyl-4-methoxyphenol (1.12 mmol, 2 equiv) recycled TiO_2 (5.6 mmol, 10 equiv), HFIP:trifluorotoluene (4 mL, 1:1 mixture). The round bottom flask was capped with a rubber septum. An air balloon was inserted to the round bottom flask above the solvent level using a hypodermic needle. During the reaction the round bottom flask was irradiated with two 440 nm blue Kessil lamps on 100% power and 5 cm from the round bottom flask. A glass mirror was placed below the round bottom flask and a commercial fan was placed next to the round bottom flask for cooling. General procedure B was used followed by flash column chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc 85:15).

TiO₂ characterization and recycle procedure:

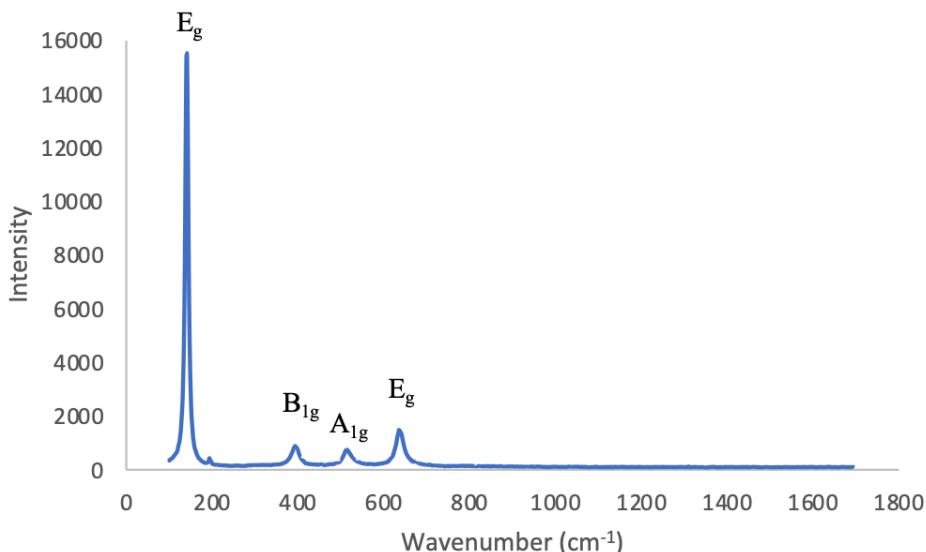


Figure S10. Raman spectrum of TiO_2 sample used in the reaction. Raman active modes were assigned and compared to *Sci. Rep.* **2017**, *7*, 8783².

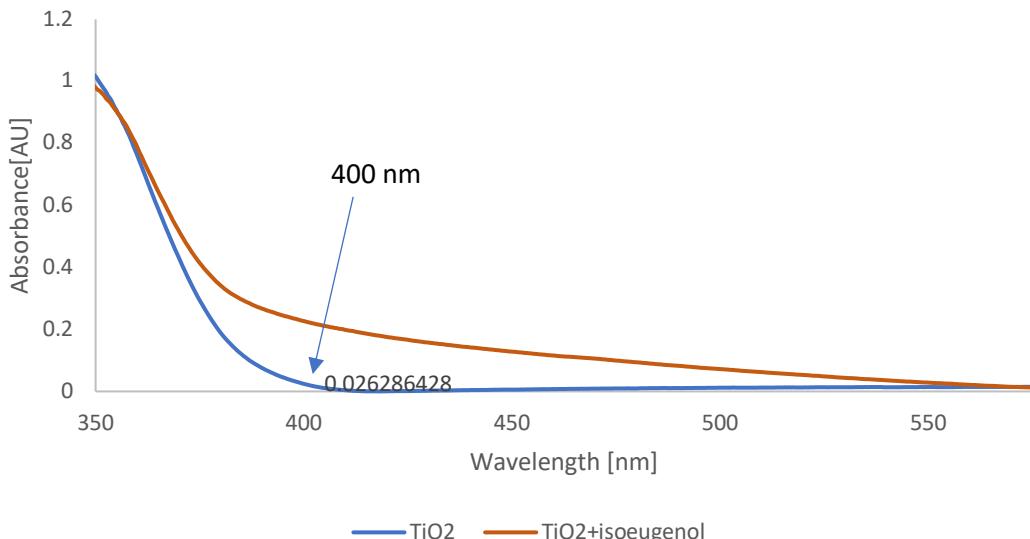


Figure S11. Diffuse reflectance spectroscopy (DRS) UV-Vis of new TiO_2 , and $\text{TiO}_2\text{-2a}$ mixture for band gap measurement.

TiO_2 band gap is being calculated using the following equation: $(E)=(h^*C)/\lambda$ where $h=6.63\text{E-}34$, $C=3.00\text{E+}8$, $\lambda=4.00\text{E-}07$, $E=4.84\text{E-}19$, and $1\text{eV}=1.6\text{E-}19 \text{ J}$

The TiO_2 band gap being used in this reaction is calculated to be 3.11 eV.

Recycled TiO_2 from the reaction was collected, centrifuged, and washed with a mixture of MeOH (methanol) and acetone. After centrifugation, the liquid was discarded, and the residual TiO_2 was washed again with MeOH/acetone. This process was repeated three times. Subsequently, the solid TiO_2 residual was transferred to a 100 mL round-bottom flask and treated with 25 mL of a 30% H_2O_2 (hydrogen peroxide) aqueous solution. After stirring for 6 h under 370 nm light, the mixture was centrifuged to collect the washed TiO_2 . The washed TiO_2 was then dried in a 180 °C oven overnight. Scanning electron microscopy (SEM) and powder X-ray diffraction (powder XRD) were performed to evaluate the structural integrity and particle surface.

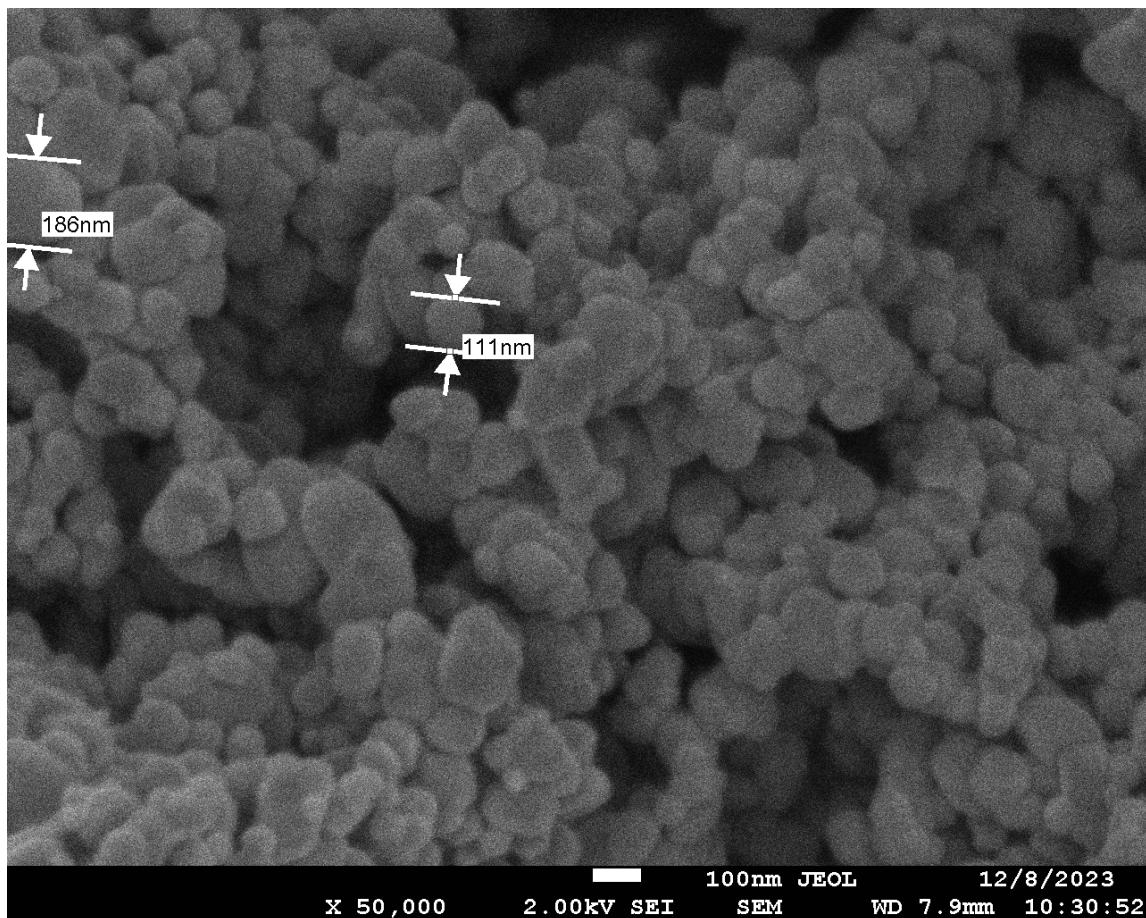


Figure S12. SEM imaging of new TiO_2 , average particle size is estimated to be around 150 nm.

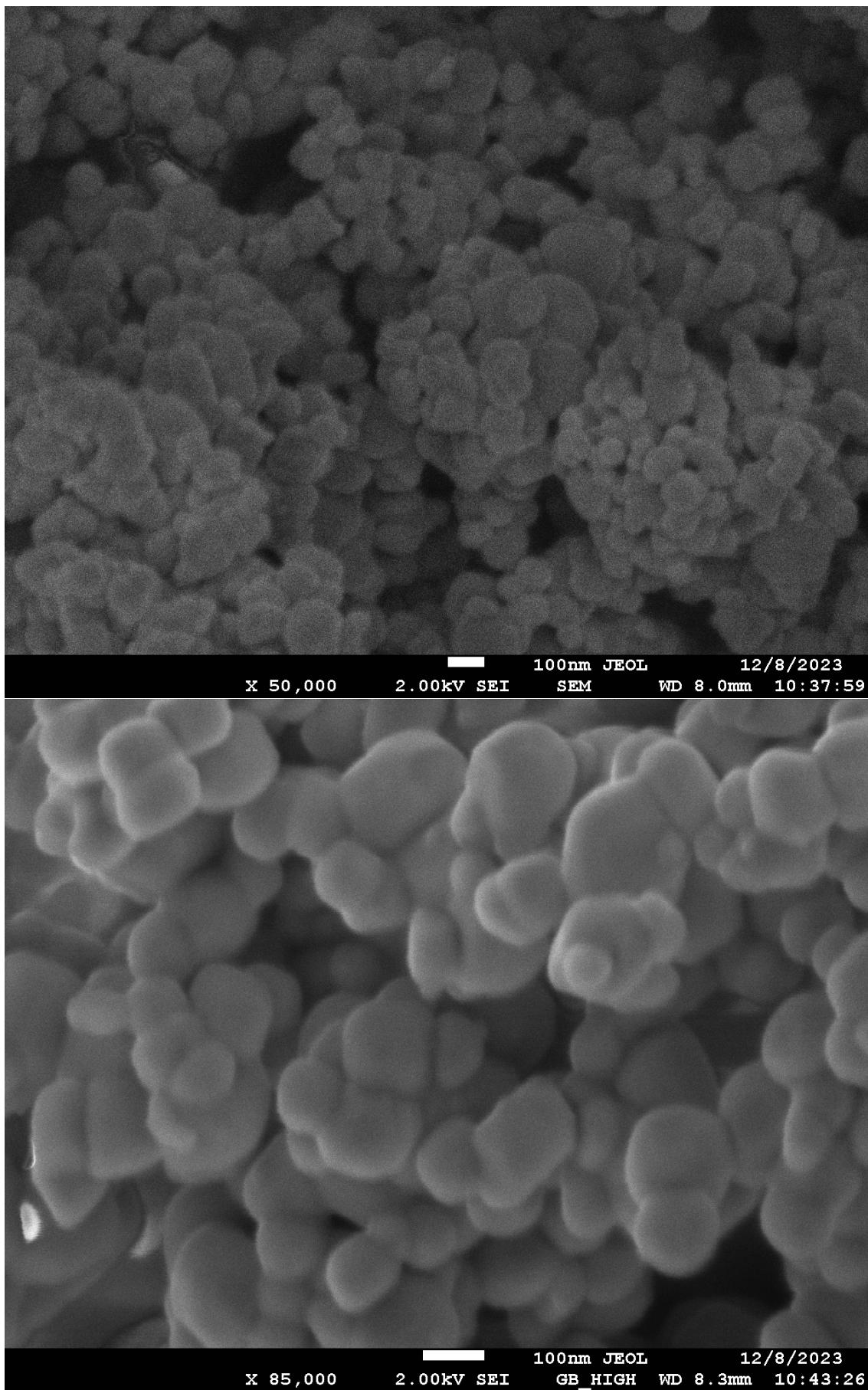


Figure S13. SEM imaging of TiO₂ after one use (no H₂O₂ treatment).

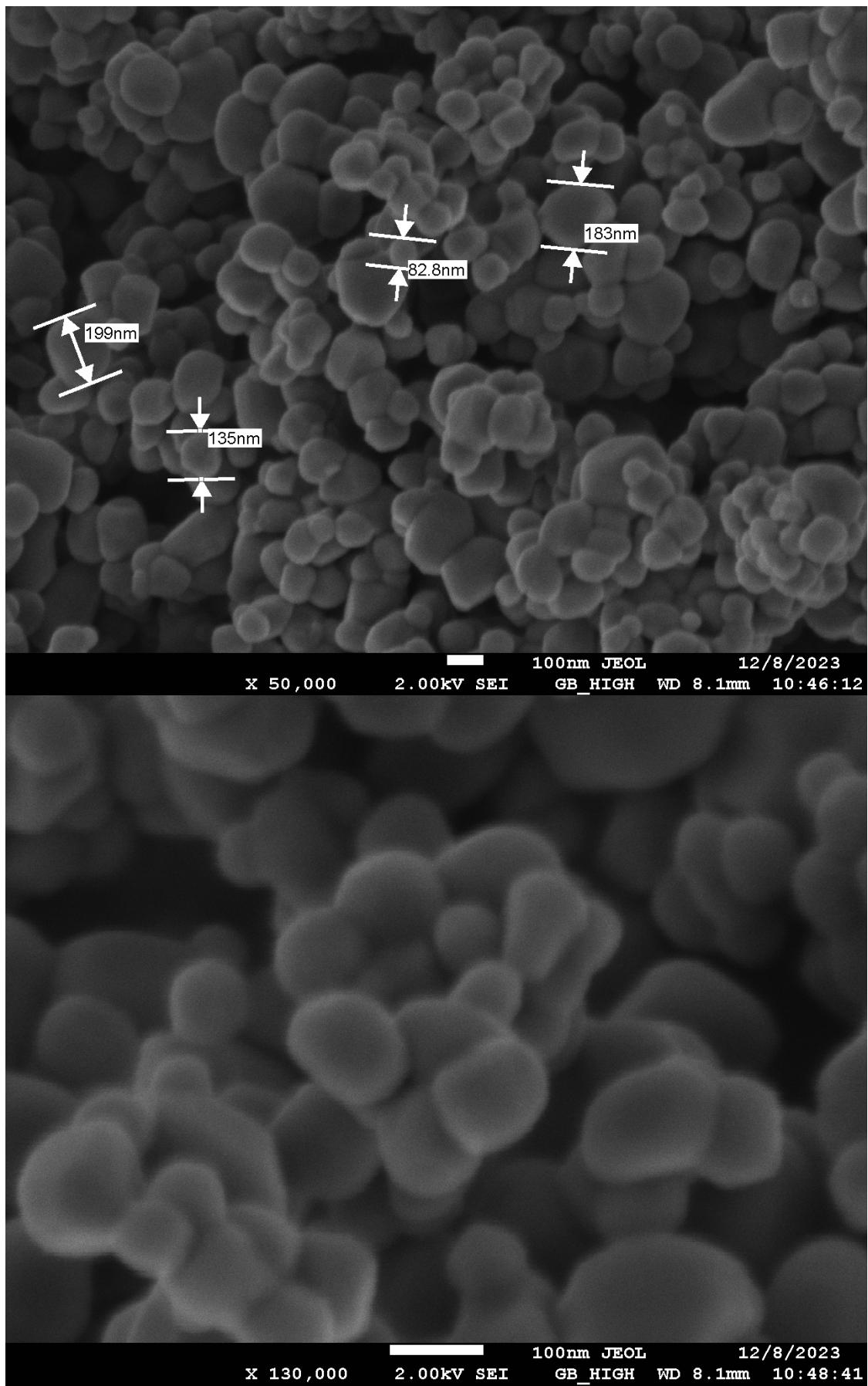


Figure S14. SEM imaging of TiO_2 after one use and treatment with H_2O_2 .

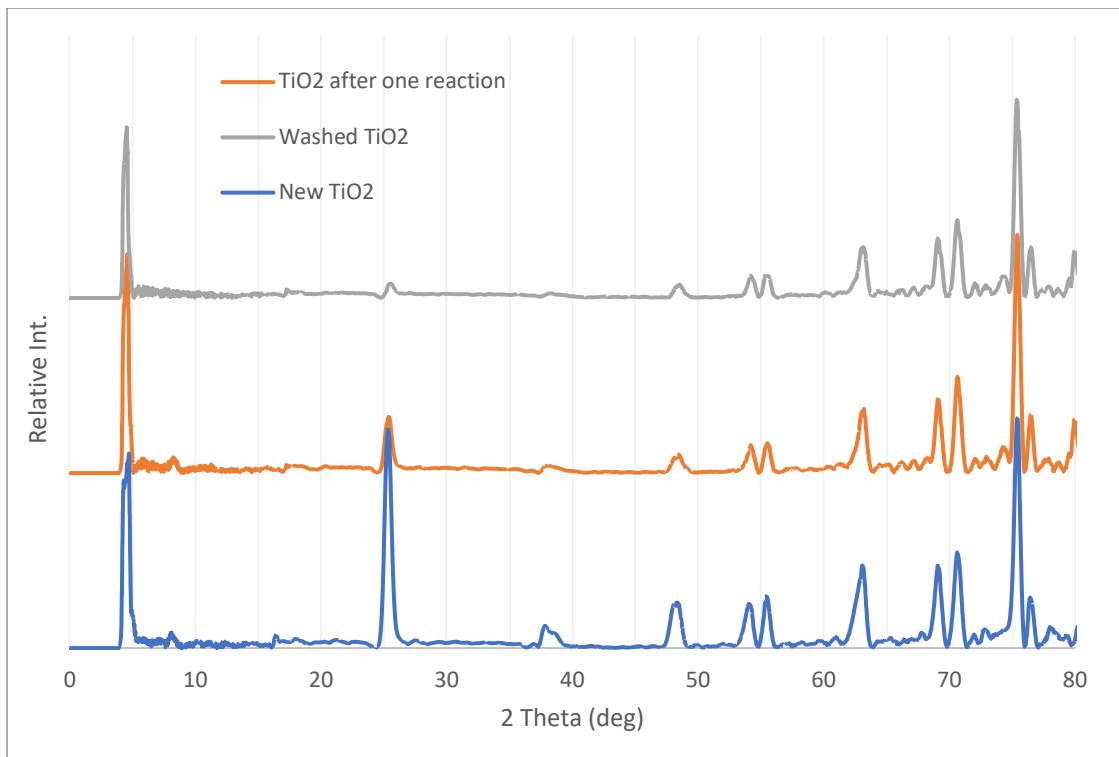


Figure S15. PXRD new, recycled, and washed TiO₂.

TiO₂ substrate (**2a**) surface interaction study:



Figure S16. New TiO₂ vs TiO₂-**2a** mixture.

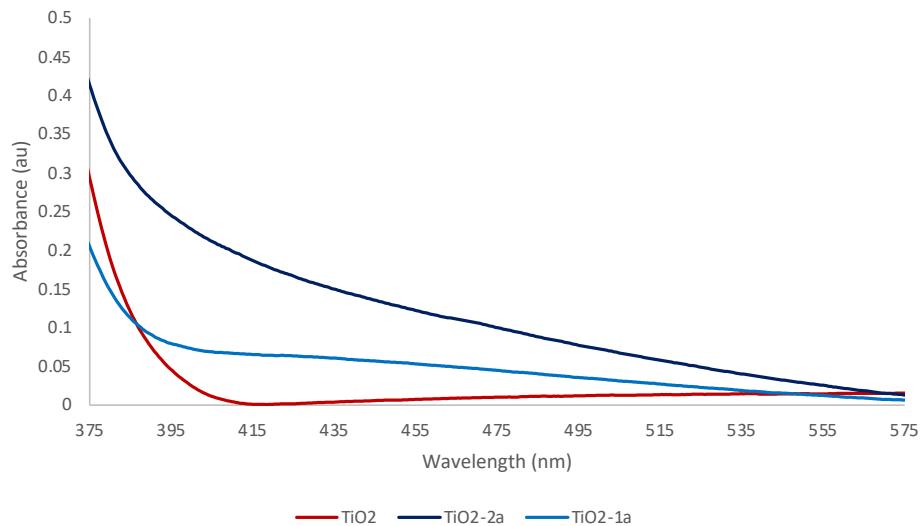


Figure S17. Diffuse reflectance spectroscopy (DRS) UV-Vis of new TiO_2 , $\text{TiO}_2\text{-1a}$, and $\text{TiO}_2\text{-2a}$ mixture.

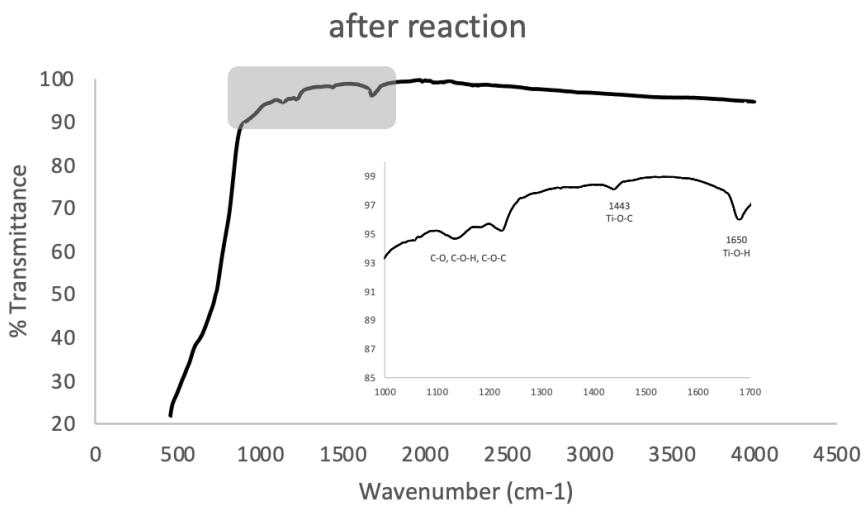


Figure S18. FT-IR spectrum of TiO_2 after reaction. The characteristic peaks centered at 1443 cm^{-1} and 1650 cm^{-1} were attributed to Ti-O-C bending and Ti-O-H vibrations, consistent with literature descriptions.^{3,4}

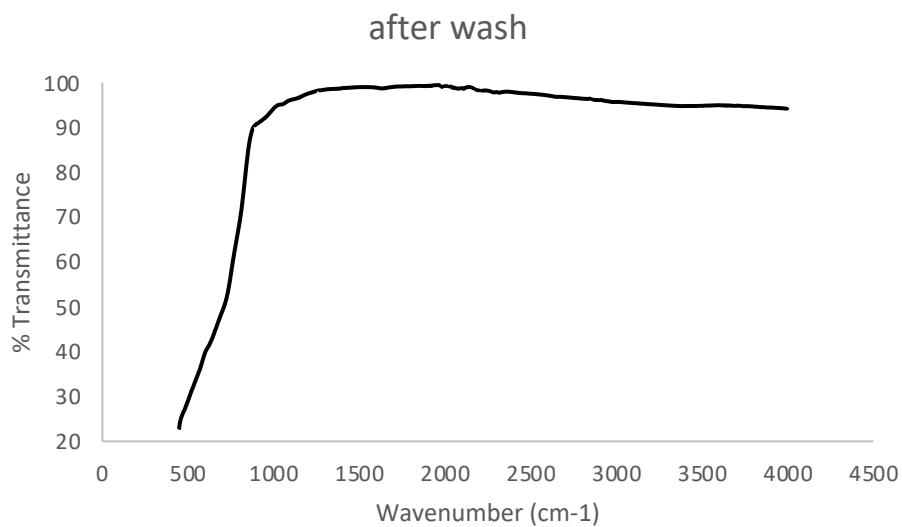


Figure S19. FT-IR spectrum of used TiO_2 after wash.

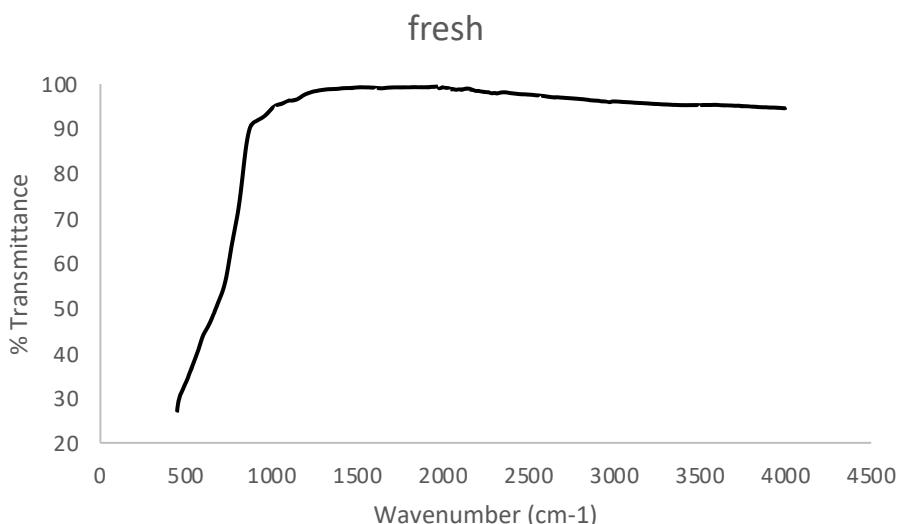


Figure S20. FT-IR spectrum of fresh TiO_2 .

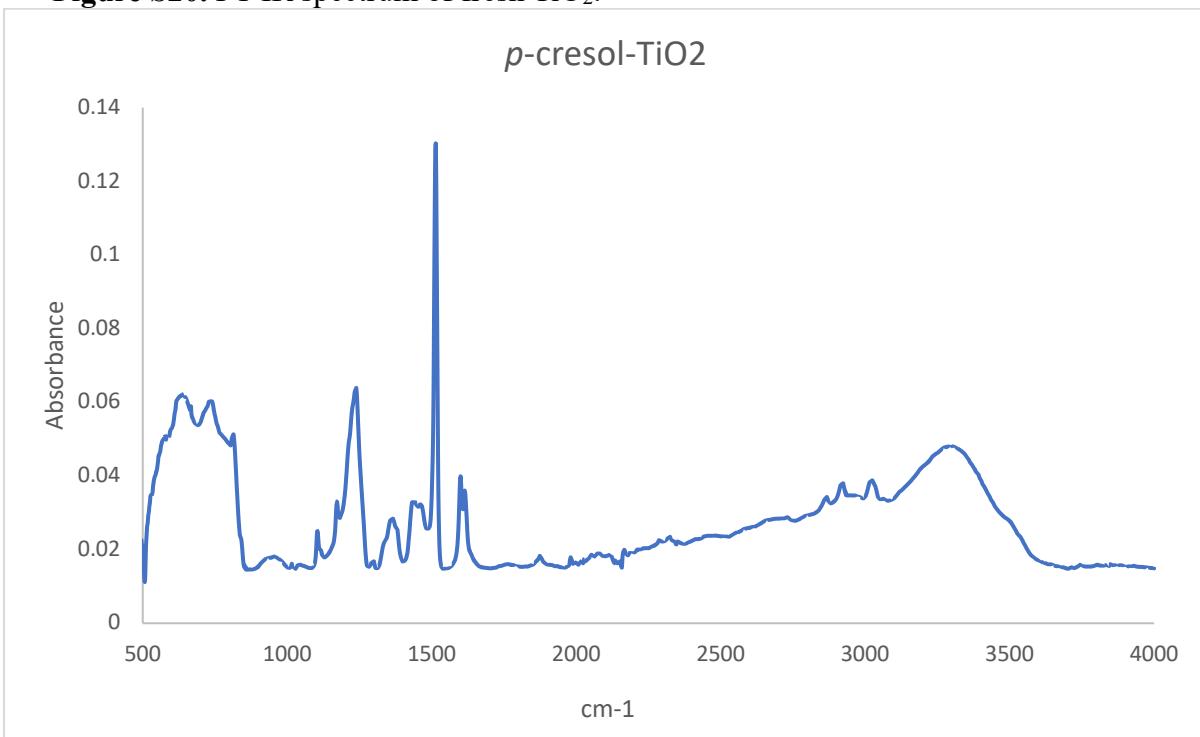


Figure S21. FT-IR spectrum of *p*-cresol(10 mol%)- TiO_2 .

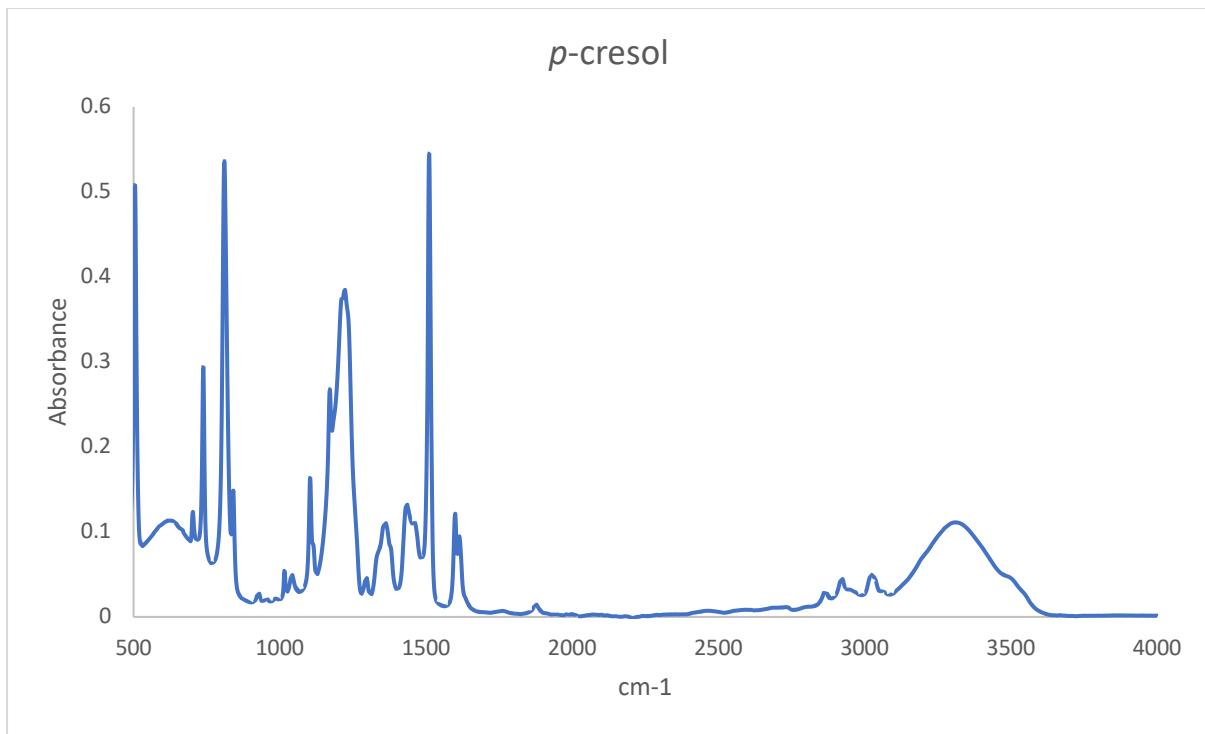


Figure S22. FT-IR spectrum of *p*-cresol.

Detection of reaction intermediates using UPLCMS(ESI)

Aliquots (10 µL) were withdrawn from the reaction flask at x h intervals. The aliquots were diluted to 0.001 M in MeOH (990 µL). The sample was passed through a PTFE 0.45 µm syringe filter to remove titanium dioxide. This solution (2 µL) was injected into the UPLCMS for analysis.

UPLC: C18 column (2.1 mm x 5 cm). Flow rate = 0.5 mL/min. Mobile phase gradient: 50% MeCN/H₂O with 0.1% formic acid for 0.5 min, changed to 95% MeCN/H₂O with 0.1% formic over 2 min and held for 0.5 min, reduced to 5% MeCN/H₂O with 0.1% formic acid over 5 s and held for an additional 25 s. Detection = UV-Vis (TWC).

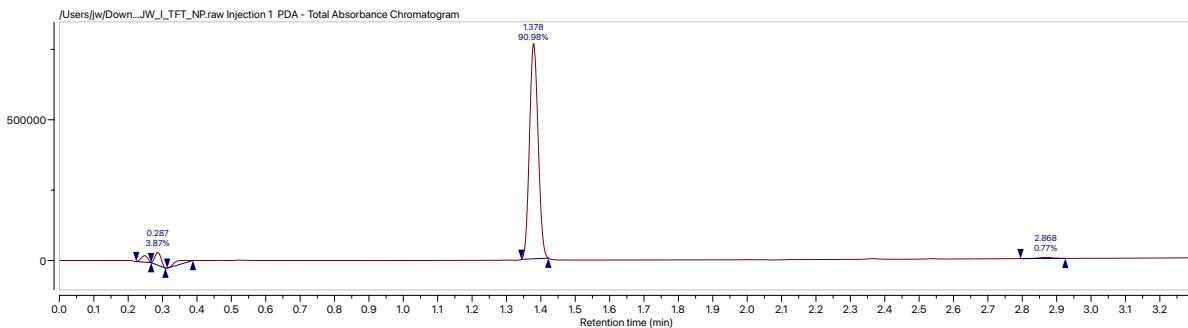


Figure S23: UPLC traces for TFT used in reaction. t_R (TFT) = 1.37 min

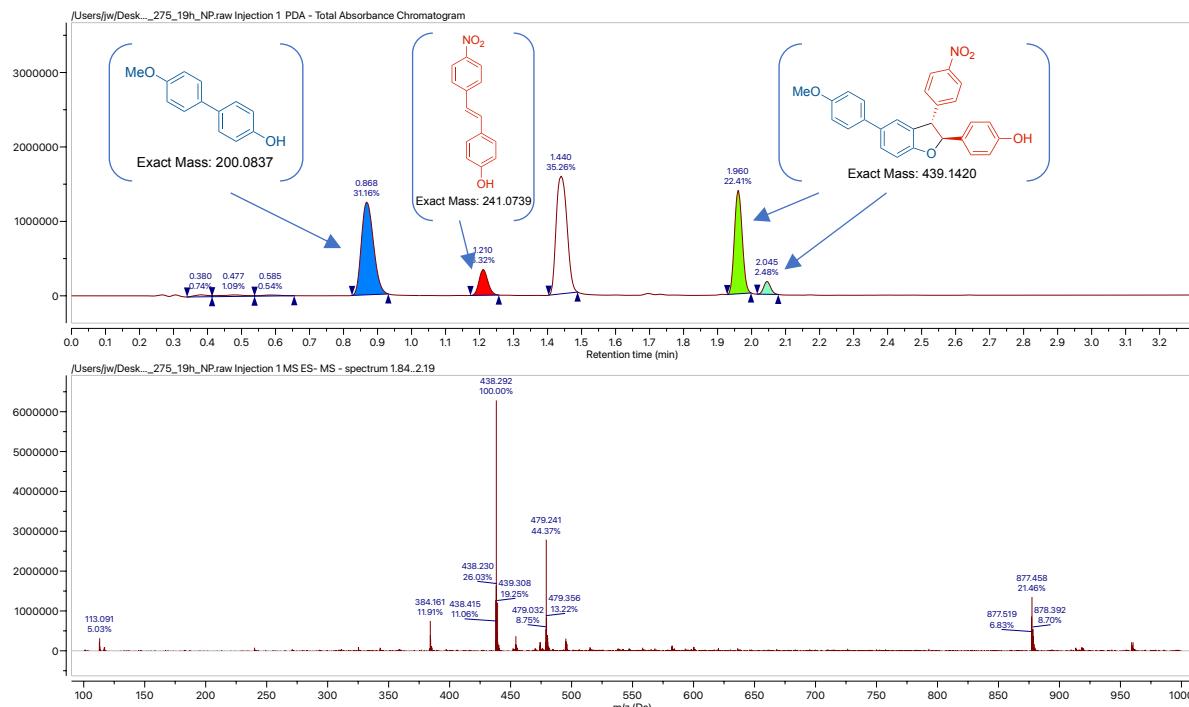


Figure S24: UPLCMS-ESI spectrum for the reaction of **3ig** without titanium dioxide after 19 hours. t_R (**1i**) = 0.88 min, t_R (**2g**) = 1.21 min, t_R (TFT) = 1.43 min, t_R (**3ig**) = 1.97 min. ESI-MS: t_R (**3ig**) = 1.84–2.19 min, m/z = 438.292.

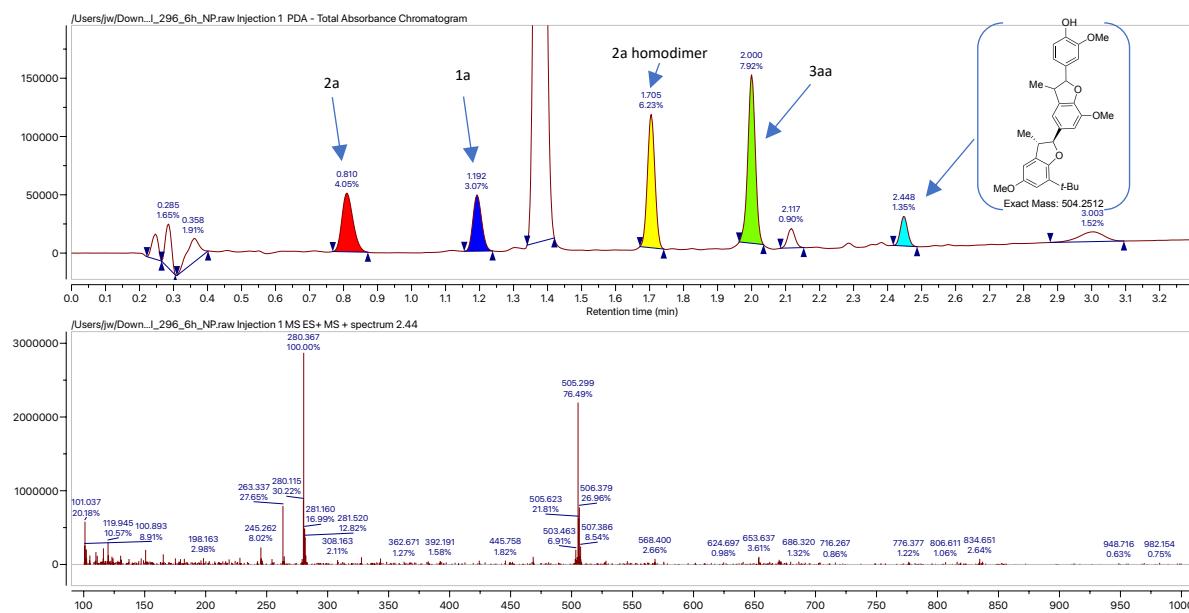


Figure S25: UPLCMS-ESI spectrum for the reaction of **3aa** without titanium dioxide after 6 hours. t_R (**2a**) = 0.83 min, t_R (**1a**) = 1.20 min, t_R (TFT) = 1.37 min, t_R (**2a homodimer**) = 1.70 min, t_R (**3aa**) = 2.00 min, t_R (**over oxidized adduct**) = 2.45 min. ESI⁺MS: t_R (**over oxidized adduct**) = 2.44 min, m/z = 505.299.

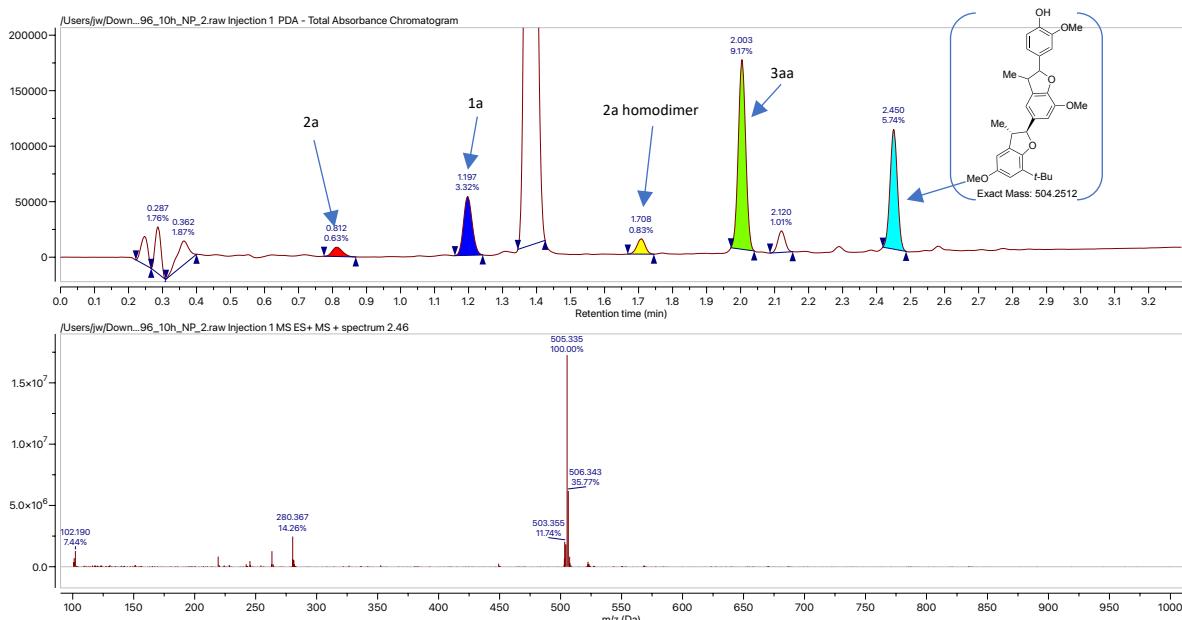


Figure S26: UPLCMS-ESI spectrum for the reaction of **3aa** without titanium dioxide after 10 hours. t_R (**2a**) = 0.83 min, t_R (**1a**) = 1.20 min, t_R (TFT) = 1.38 min, t_R (**2a homodimer**) = 1.70 min, t_R (**3aa**) = 2.00 min, t_R (**over oxidized adduct**) = 2.45 min. ESI⁺MS: t_R (**over oxidized adduct**) = 2.46 min, m/z = 505.335.

Substrate Limitations:

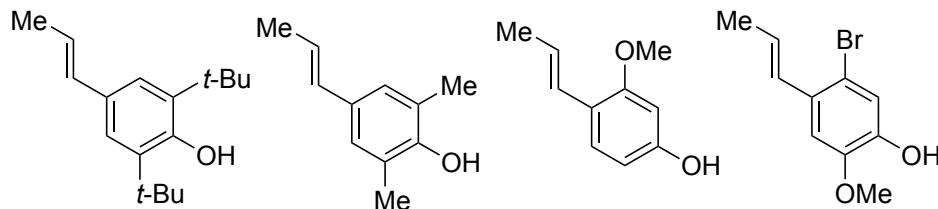
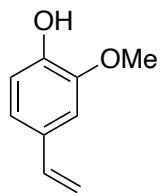


Figure S27: Alkenyl-phenol substrates that degraded rapidly under standard reaction conditions.

Characterization of Alkenyl Phenol Substrates



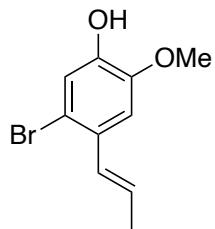
2-Methoxy-4-vinylphenol (2c)

General procedure A was followed using 4-hydroxy-3-methoxybenzaldehyde (1.0 g, 6.6 mmol, 1.0 equiv), KO*t*Bu (1.5 g, 13 mmol, 2.0 equiv), methyltriphenylphosphonium bromide (4.7 g, 13 mmol, 2.0 equiv), and dry THF (24 mL) for 12 h. Flash column chromatography (*n*-hexanes/EtOAc 95:5) afforded the product as a yellow oil (0.6 g, 3.9 mmol) in 60% isolated yield.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.98 – 6.84 (m, 3H), 6.64 (dd, *J* = 17.5, 10.8 Hz, 1H), 5.66 (s, 1H), 5.60 (dd, *J* = 17.5, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 5.13 (dd, *J* = 10.8, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 3.91 (s, 3H).

¹³C{¹H} NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 146.7, 145.8, 136.8, 130.4, 120.2, 114.5, 111.6, 108.2, 56.0.

Spectral data in agreement with those reported in *Chem. Eur. J.* **2013**, *19*, 9807–9810.⁵



5-Bromo-2-methoxy-4-(prop-1-en-1-yl)phenol

General procedure A was followed using 2-bromo-4-hydroxy-5-methoxybenzaldehyde (1.0 g, 4.3 mmol, 1.0 equiv), KO*t*Bu (1.0 g, 8.6 mmol, 2.0 equiv), ethyltriphenylphosphonium bromide (3.2 g, 8.6 mmol, 2.0 equiv), and dry THF (24 mL) for 12 h. Flash column chromatography (*n*-hexanes/EtOAc 85:15) afforded the product as a yellow oil (2:1 *E*:*Z*, 0.8 g, 3.1 mmol) in 72% isolated yield.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) E-isomer δ 7.15 (s, 1H), 6.79 (s, 1H), 6.41 (dd, *J* = 11.4, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 5.81 (dq, *J* = 11.4, 7.1 Hz, 1H), 5.63 (s, 1H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 1.79 (dd, *J* = 7.1, 1.8 Hz, 3H).

¹³C{¹H} NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) E-isomer δ 145.5, 145.2, 129.9, 129.5, 127.1, 118.5, 112.7, 108.5, 56.2, 14.5.

HRMS (EI-TOF) *m/z* 241.9942 calcd for C₁₀H₁₁BrO₂ [M]⁺; found 241.9932.

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Single Mass Analysis

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Monoisotopic Mass, Odd Electron Ions

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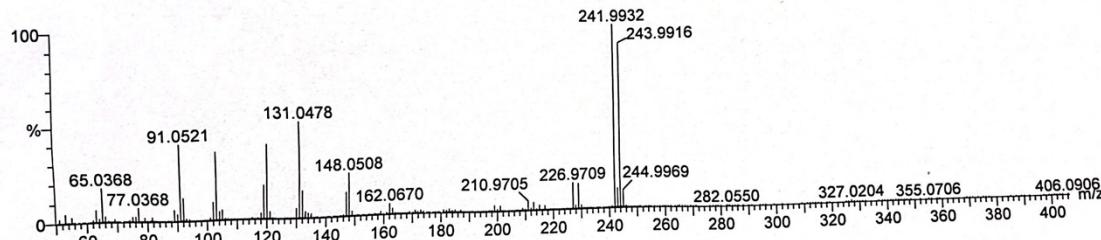
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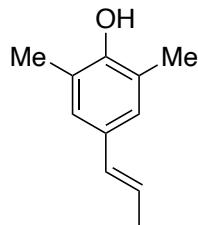
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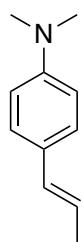
**2,6-Dimethyl-4-(prop-1-en-1-yl)phenol**

General procedure A was followed using 4-hydroxy-3,5-dimethylbenzaldehyde (3.0 g, 20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), KO*t*Bu (4.5 g, 40 mmol, 2.0 equiv), ethyltriphenylphosphonium bromide (14.8 g, 39.8 mmol, 2.00 equiv), and dry THF (48 mL) for 12 h. Flash column chromatography (*n*-hexanes/EtOAc 95:5) afforded the product as a yellow oil (6:1 *E*:*Z*, 2.7 g, 16.8 mmol) in 84% isolated yield.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) *E*-isomer δ 6.98 (s, 2H), 6.35 (dd, *J* = 11.9, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 5.70 (dq, *J* = 11.9, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 3.51 (s, 1H), 2.28 (s, 6H), 1.93 (dt, *J* = 7.2, 1.9 Hz, 3H).

¹³C{¹H} NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) *E*-isomer δ 151.0, 130.6, 129.3, 126.2, 124.8, 122.9, 16.1, 14.7.

Spectral data in agreement with those reported in *Chem. Commun.* **2020**, *56*, 7941-7944.⁶



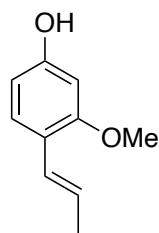
N,N-Dimethyl-4-(prop-1-en-1-yl)aniline (2f)

General procedure A was followed using 4-(dimethylamino)benzaldehyde (2.00 g, 13.4 mmol, 1.00 equiv), KO*t*Bu (3.0 g, 27 mmol, 2.0 equiv), ethyltriphenylphosphonium bromide (9.9 g, 27 mmol, 2.0 equiv), and dry THF (48 mL) for 12 h. Flash column chromatography (*n*-hexanes/EtOAc 85:15) afforded the product as a yellow oil (3:1 *E*:*Z*, 1.3 g, 8.1 mmol) in 60% isolated yield.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) *E*-isomer δ 7.28 – 7.25 (m, 2H), 6.77 – 6.73 (m, 2H), 6.35 (dd, *J* = 11.6, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 5.65 (dq, *J* = 11.6, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 2.99 (s, 6H), 1.95 (dd, *J* = 7.2, 1.8 Hz, 3H).

¹³C{¹H} NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) *E*-isomer δ 149.3, 130.9, 129.9, 126.8, 123.5, 112.3, 40.7, 14.9.

Spectral data in agreement with those reported in *Org. Lett.* **2020**, 22, 1193–1198.⁷



3-Methoxy-4-(prop-1-en-1-yl)phenol

General procedure A was followed using 4-hydroxy-2-methoxybenzaldehyde (1.0 g, 6.6 mmol, 1.0 equiv), KO*t*Bu (1.5 g, 13 mmol, 2.0 equiv), ethyltriphenylphosphonium bromide (4.9 g, 13 mmol, 2.0 equiv), and dry THF (48 mL) for 12 h. Flash column chromatography (*n*-hexanes/EtOAc 90:10) afforded the product as a yellow oil (8:1 *E*:*Z*, 0.9 g, 5.5 mmol) in 84% isolated yield.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) *E*-isomer δ 7.12 (d, *J* = 8.1, 1H), 6.49 – 6.36 (m, 3H), 5.77 (dq, *J* = 11.5, 8.1, 7.0 Hz, 1H), 5.06 (s, 1H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 1.81 (dd, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H).

¹³C{¹H} NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) *E*-isomer δ 158.3, 155.8, 130.8, 125.9, 124.8, 119.2, 106.5, 99.0, 55.6, 14.7.

HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z* 165.0916 calcd for C₁₀H₁₃O₂ [M + H]⁺; found 165.0918.

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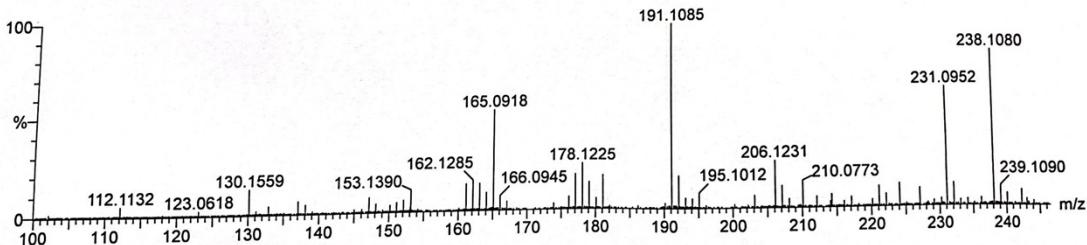
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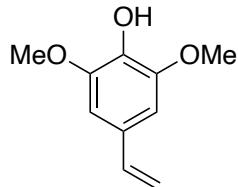
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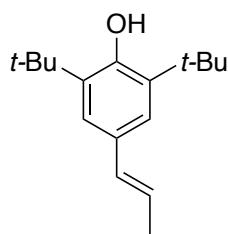
**2,6-Dimethoxy-4-vinylphenol (2d)**

General procedure A was followed using 2,6-dimethoxy-4-vinylphenol (2.0 g, 11 mmol, 1.0 equiv), KOtBu (2.5 g, 22 mmol, 2.0 equiv), methyltriphenylphosphonium bromide (7.9 g, 11 mmol, 2.0 equiv), and dry THF (24 mL) for 12 h. Flash column chromatography (*n*-hexanes/EtOAc 80:20) afforded the product as a clear oil (1.0 g, 5.8 mmol) in 53% isolated yield.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.60 (s, 2H), 6.56 (dd, *J* = 17.5, 10.9, 1H), 5.67 (s, 1H), 5.58 (d, *J* = 17.5, 1H), 5.10 (d, *J* = 10.9 Hz, 1H), 3.82 (s, 6H).

¹³C{¹H} NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 147.0, 136.7, 134.8, 129.0, 111.5, 103.0, 56.0.

Spectral data in agreement with those reported in *Eur. Polym. J.* **2020**, *125*, 109534.⁸



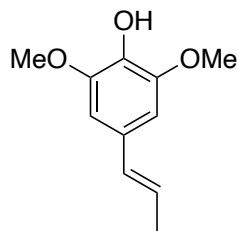
2,6-Di-*tert*-butyl-4-(prop-1-en-1-yl)phenol

General procedure A was followed using 3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxybenzaldehyde (2.0 g, 8.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv), KO*t*Bu (1.9 g, 17 mmol, 2.0 equiv), ethyltriphenylphosphonium bromide (6.3 g, 17 mmol, 2.0 equiv), and dry THF (24 mL) for 12 h. Flash column chromatography (*n*-hexanes/EtOAc 100:0) afforded the product as a yellow oil (4:1 *E*:*Z*, 1.4 g, 5.7 mmol) in 67% isolated yield.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) *E*-isomer δ 7.18 (s, 2H), 6.40 (dq, *J* = 11.6, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 5.69 (dd, *J* = 11.6, 7.1 Hz, 1H), 5.20 (s, 1H), 1.95 (dd, *J* = 7.2, 1.9 Hz, 3H), 1.48 (s, 18H).

¹³C{¹H} NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) *E*-isomer δ 152.6, 135.6, 130.5, 129.0, 125.8, 124.3, 34.5, 30.5, 14.9.

Spectral data in agreement with those reported in *Chem. Commun.* **2020**, *56*, 7941–7944.²



2,6-Dimethoxy-4-(prop-1-en-1-yl)phenol (2b)

General procedure A was followed using 4-hydroxy-3,5-dimethoxybenzaldehyde (1.0 g, 5.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv), KO*t*Bu (1.2 g, 11 mmol, 2.0 equiv), ethyltriphenylphosphonium bromide (4.0 g, 11 mmol, 2.0 equiv), and dry THF (24 mL) for 12 h. Flash column chromatography (*n*-hexanes/EtOAc 85:15) afforded product as a yellow oil (>20:1 *E*:*Z*, 0.6 g, 2.9 mmol) in 53% isolated yield.

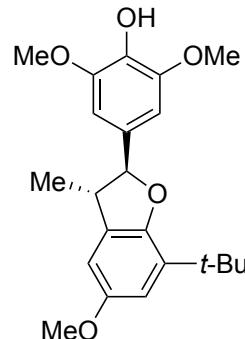
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¹³C{¹H} NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) *E*-isomer δ 146.7, 133.6, 129.9, 128.9, 125.3, 105.8, 56.2, 14.6.

Spectral data in agreement with those reported in *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **2020**, *59*, 21930–21934.⁹

Characterization of products:

Unless stated in the substrate preparation section, all starting materials were obtained from commercially available sources.



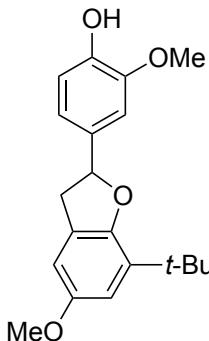
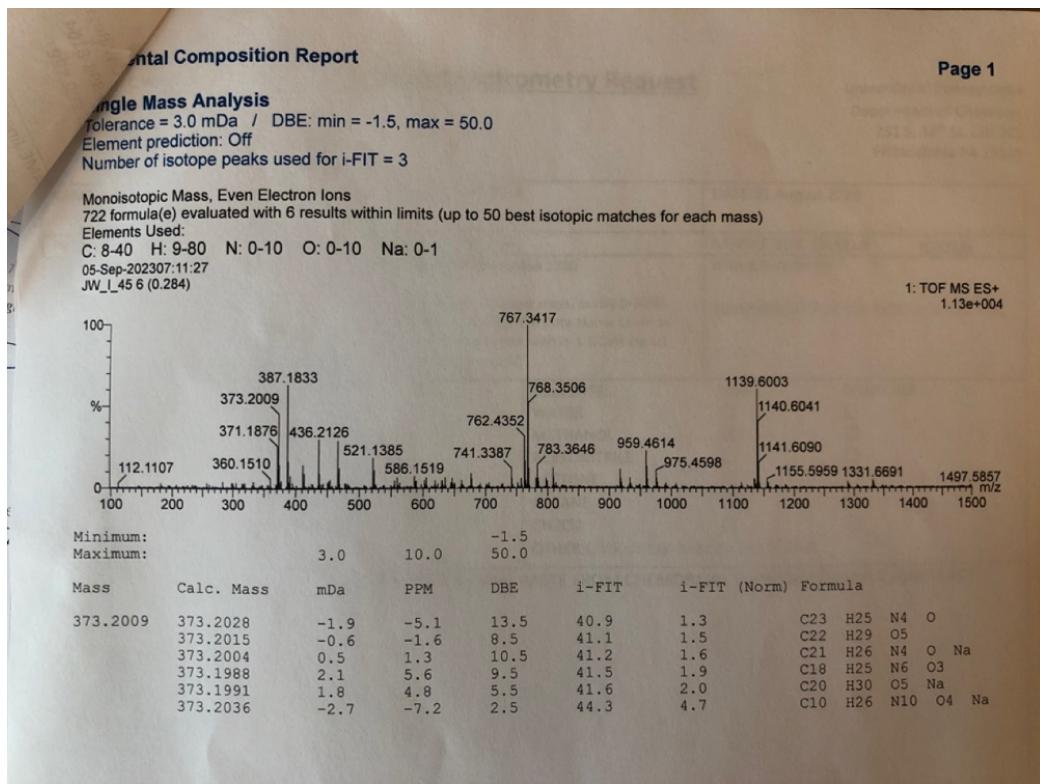
(\pm)-4-((2*S*,3*S*)-7-(*tert*-Butyl)-5-methoxy-3-methyl-2,3-dihydrobenzofuran-2-yl)-2,6-dimethoxyphenol (3ab)

General procedure C was followed using 2,6-dimethoxy-4-(prop-1-en-1-yl)phenol (**2b**) (0.56 mmol, 1.00 equiv), 2-*tert*-butyl-4-methoxyphenol (1.12 mmol, 2.00 equiv), TiO₂ (5.60 mmol, 10.0 equiv) and HFIP/TFT 1:1 mixture (4.00 mL, 0.14 M) for 7 h. General procedure D was used followed by flash column chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc 85:15) to afford an orange oil (>20:1 dr, 0.15 g, 0.40 mmol) in 71% isolated yield.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.75 (dd, *J* = 2.7, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 6.68 (s, 2H), 6.58 (dd, *J* = 2.7, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 5.58 (s, 1H), 5.07 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 3.89 (s, 6H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.35 – 3.30 (quintet, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 1.42 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 1.41 (s, 9H).

¹³C{¹H} NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 154.2, 151.1, 147.2, 134.5, 133.7, 133.0, 132.7, 111.7, 106.3, 102.7, 92.2, 56.4, 56.0, 46.2, 34.4, 29.3, 18.1.

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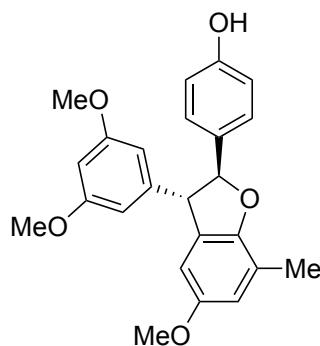
4-(7-(*tert*-Butyl)-5-methoxy-2,3-dihydrobenzofuran-2-yl)-2-methoxyphenol (3ac)

General procedure C was followed using 2-methoxy-4-vinylphenol (**2g**) (0.56 mmol, 1.00 equiv), 2-*tert*-butyl-4-methoxyphenol (1.12 mmol, 2.00 equiv), TiO₂ (5.60 mmol, 10.0 equiv) and HFIP/TFT mixture (4.00 mL, 0.14 M) for 6 h. General procedure D was used followed by flash column chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc 8.5:1.5) to afford a yellow oil (>20:1 dr 0.03 g, 0.10 mmol) in 17% isolated yield.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.98 – 6.87 (m, 3H), 6.72 (d, *J* = 2.6 Hz, 1H), 6.64 (d, *J* = 2.6 Hz, 1H), 5.69 (dd, *J* = 9.4, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 5.62 (s, 1H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.55 (ddt, *J* = 15.6, 9.5, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 3.12 (ddt, *J* = 15.5, 8.4, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 1.40 (s, 9H).

¹³C{¹H} NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 154.0, 151.7, 146.7, 145.3, 135.1, 133.6, 127.5, 118.8, 114.4, 111.8, 108.3, 107.4, 83.6, 56.1, 56.0, 39.3, 34.4, 29.4.

HRMS



(±)-4-(3-(3,5-Dimethoxyphenyl)-5-methoxy-7-methyl-2,3-dihydrobenzofuran-2-yl)phenol (3ce)

General procedure C was followed using pterostilbene (**2i**) (0.56 mmol, 1.00 equiv), 4-methoxy-2-methylphenol (1.12 mmol, 2.00 equiv), TiO₂ (5.60 mmol, 10.0 equiv) and HFIP/TFT 1:1 mixture (4.00 mL, 0.14 M) for 24 h. General procedure D was used followed by flash column chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc 85:15) to afford a beige oil (>20:1 dr, 0.13 g, 0.33 mmol) in 59% isolated yield.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.22 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.79 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 6.64 (d, *J* = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 6.43 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.40 (t, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 6.34 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 2H), 5.44 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 4.45 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 3.75 (s, 6H), 3.72 (s, 3H), 2.30 (s, 3H).

¹³C{¹H} NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.1, 155.8, 154.5, 152.6, 144.1, 133.0, 129.8, 127.8, 120.3, 116.0, 115.5, 108.1, 106.6, 99.1, 92.4, 58.9, 56.2, 55.5, 15.7.

HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z* 393.1702 calcd for C₂₄H₂₅O₅ [M + H]⁺; found 393.1728.

Elemental Composition Report

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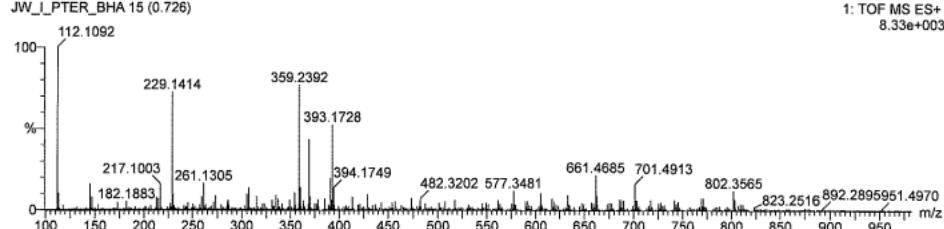
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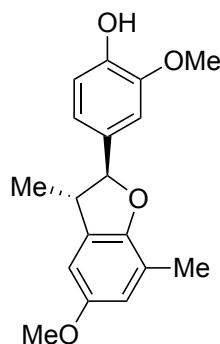
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(±)-2-Methoxy-4-(5-methoxy-3,7-dimethyl-2,3-dihydrobenzofuran-2-yl)phenol (3ca)

General procedure C was followed using *iso*-eugenol (**2a**) (0.56 mmol, 1.00 equiv), 4-methoxy-2-methylphenol (1.12 mmol, 2.00 equiv), TiO₂ (5.60 mmol, 10.0 equiv) and HFIP/TFT 1:1 mixture (4.00 mL, 0.14 M) for 6 h. General procedure D was used followed by flash column chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc 85:15) to afford a beige oil (>20:1 dr, 0.10 g, 0.32 mmol) in 57% isolated yield.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.99 (t, *J* = 1.1 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (m, 2H), 6.57 (m, 2H), 5.03 (d, *J* = 9.4 Hz, 1H), 3.90 (s, 3H), 3.78 (s, 3H), 3.41 (m, 1H), 2.24 (s, 3H), 1.37 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H).

¹³C{¹H} NMR 101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 154.3, 151.7, 146.7, 145.7, 132.7, 132.2, 120.0, 119.8, 114.6, 114.2, 108.7, 107.1, 92.7, 56.1, 56.0, 46.1, 17.4, 15.5.

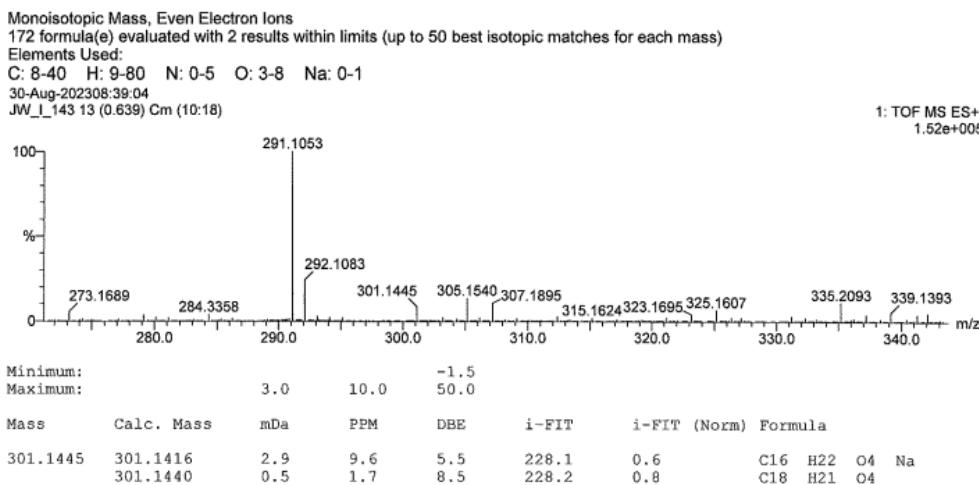
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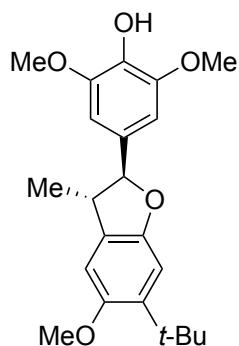
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(\pm)-4-(6-(tert-Butyl)-5-methoxy-3-methyl-2,3-dihydrobenzofuran-2-yl)-2,6-dimethoxyphenol (3bb)

General procedure C was followed using 2,6-dimethoxy-4-(prop-1-en-1-yl)phenol (**2b**) (0.56 mmol, 1.00 equiv), 3-(*tert*-butyl)4-methoxyphenol (1.10 mmol, 2.00 equiv), TiO₂ (5.60 mmol, 10.0 equiv) and HFIP/TFT 1:1 mixture (4.00 mL, 0.14 M) for 12 h. General procedure D was used followed by flash column chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc 85:15) to afford a beige yellow oil (>20:1 dr, 0.09 g, 0.24 mmol) in 43% isolated yield.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.87 (s, 1H), 6.72 (s, 1H), 6.69 (s, 2H), 5.02 (d, *J* = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 3.90 (s, 6H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 3.43 (quintet, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 1.41 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 1.38 (s, 9H).

¹³C{¹H} NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 153.6, 152.8, 147.2, 138.7, 134.8, 131.8, 129.2, 108.1, 108.0, 103.2, 93.4, 56.5, 56.1, 46.1, 35.1, 29.9, 17.4.

HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z* 373.2015 calcd for C₂₂H₂₉O₅ [M + H]⁺; found 373.2032.

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Single Mass Analysis

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Monoisotopic Mass, Even Electron Ions

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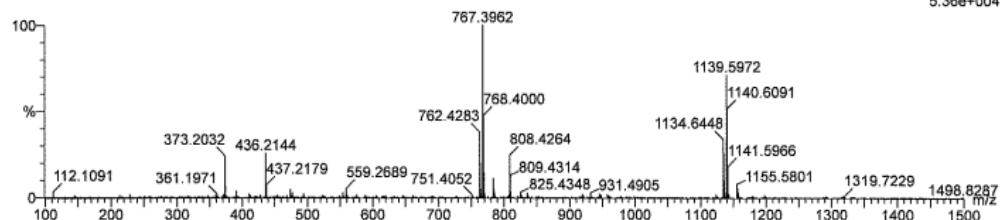
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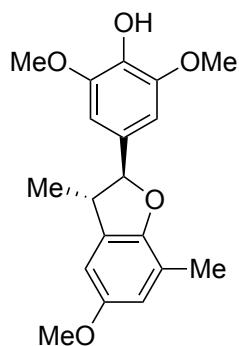
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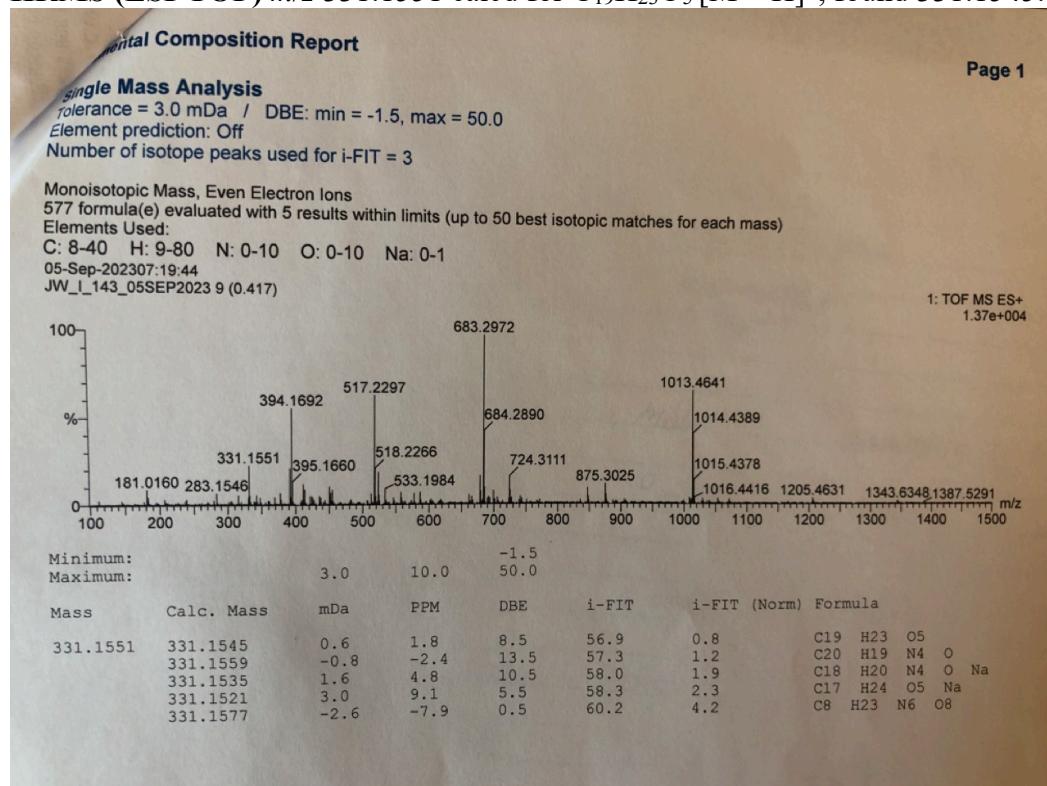
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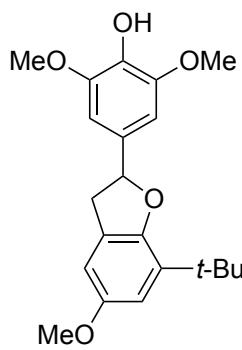
General procedure C was followed using 2,6-dimethoxy-4-(prop-1-en-1-yl)phenol (**2b**) (0.56 mmol, 1.00 equiv), 2-methyl-4-methoxyphenol (1.12 mmol, 2.00 equiv), TiO₂ (5.60 mmol, 10.0 equiv) and HFIP/TFT 1:1 mixture (4.00 mL, 0.14 M) for 12 h. General procedure D was used followed by flash column chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc 85:15) to afford a beige yellow oil (>20:1 dr, 0.11 g, 0.34 mmol) in 60% isolated yield.

¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.68 (s, 2H), 6.57 (s, 1H), 6.56 (s, 1H), 5.54 (s, 1H), 5.00 (d, *J* = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 3.90 (s, 6H), 3.77 (s, 3H), 3.41 (quintet, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 1.37 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H).

¹³C{¹H} NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 154.5, 151.7, 147.2, 134.9, 132.2, 131.9, 120.1, 114.8, 107.1, 103.4, 93.1, 56.5, 56.2, 46.3, 17.6, 15.7.

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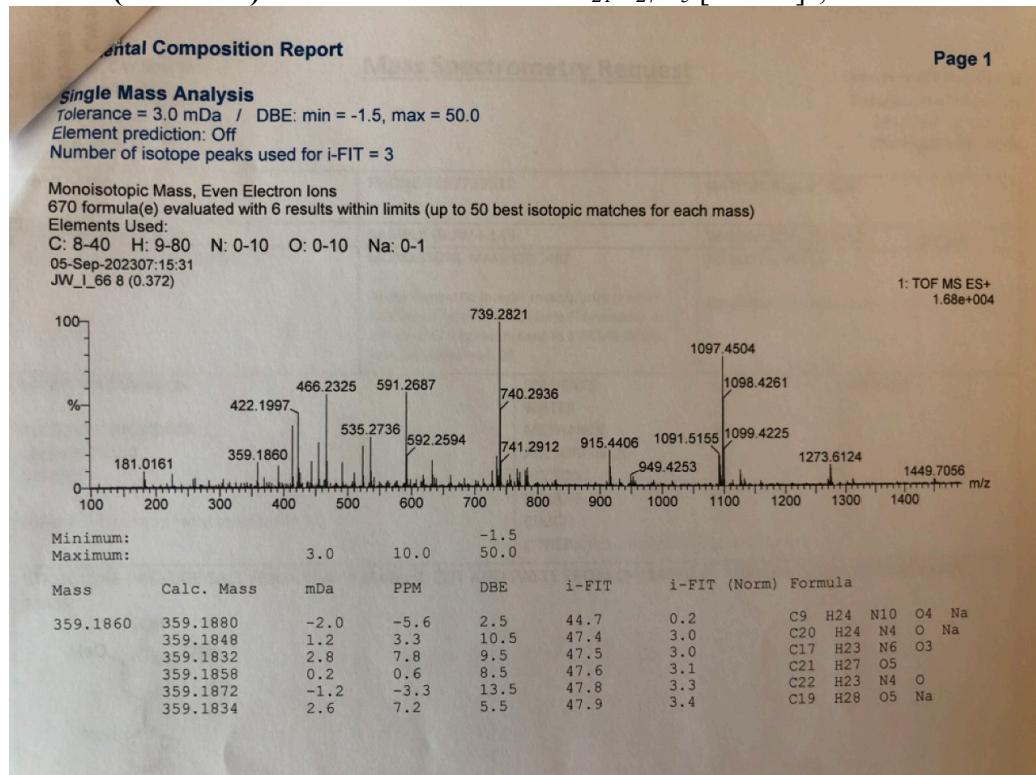
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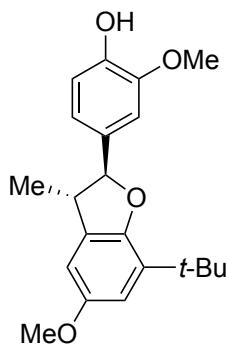
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¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.71 (d, *J* = 2.6 Hz, 1H), 6.63 (d, *J* = 2.6 Hz, 1H), 6.62 (s, 2H), 5.68 (dd, *J* = 9.5, 8.1 Hz, 1H), 5.47 (s, 1H), 3.86 (s, 6H), 3.77 (s, 3H), 3.56 (ddt, *J* = 15.5, 9.5, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 3.10 (ddt, *J* = 15.5, 8.1, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 1.40 (s, 9H).

¹³C{¹H} NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 154.1, 151.7, 147.2, 134.4, 134.3, 133.6, 127.3, 111.8, 107.5, 102.4, 83.8, 56.4, 56.1, 39.5, 34.4, 29.4.

HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z* 359.1860 calcd for C₂₁H₂₇O₅ [M + H]⁺; found 359.1858.





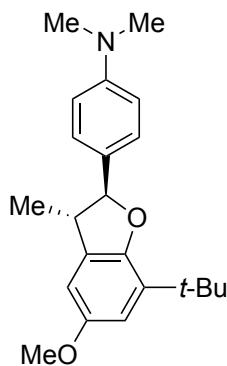
(\pm)-4-(7-(*tert*-Butyl)-5-methoxy-3-methyl-2,3-dihydrobenzofuran-2-yl)-2-methoxyphenol (3aa)

General procedure C was followed using *iso*-eugenol (**2a**) (0.56 mmol, 1.00 equiv), 2-*tert*-butyl-4-methoxyphenol (1.12 mmol, 2.00 equiv), TiO₂ (5.60 mmol, 10.0 equiv) and HFIP/TFT 1:1 mixture (4.00 mL, 0.14 M) for 6 h. General procedure B was used followed by flash column chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc 85:15) to afford a beige yellow oil (>20:1 dr, 0.13 g, 0.37 mmol) in 66% isolated yield.

For 1g scale reaction: general procedure C was followed using *iso*-eugenol (**2a**) (5.60 mmol, 1.00 equiv), 2-*tert*-butyl-4-methoxyphenol (11.2 mmol, 2.00 equiv), TiO₂ (56.0 mmol, 10.0 equiv) and HFIP/TFT 1:1 mixture (43 mL, 0.14 M) for 16 h. General procedure B was used followed by flash column chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc 85:15) to afford a beige yellow oil (>20:1 dr, 0.773 g, 2.18 mmol) in 39% isolated yield.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.98 (d, *J* = 1.3 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (m, 2H), 6.73 (dd, *J* = 2.7, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 6.57 (dd, *J* = 2.7, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 5.60 (s, 1H), 5.06 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.34 – 3.26 (m, 1H), 1.40 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 1.39 (s, 9H).

¹³C{¹H} NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 154.2, 151.3, 146.8, 145.6, 133.9, 133.8, 132.9, 119.2, 114.3, 111.7, 108.4, 106.3, 92.1, 56.1, 56.0, 46.1, 34.4, 29.4, 17.9.



(\pm)-4-(7-(*tert*-Butyl)-5-methoxy-3-methyl-2,3-dihydrobenzofuran-2-yl)-N,N-dimethylaniline (3af)

General procedure C was followed using *N,N*-dimethyl-4-(prop-1-en-1-yl)aniline (**2h**) (0.56 mmol, 1.00 equiv), 2-*tert*-butyl-4-methoxyphenol (1.12 mmol, 2.00 equiv), TiO₂ (5.60 mmol, 10.0 equiv) and HFIP/TFT 1:1 mixture (4.00 mL, 0.14 M) for 8 h. General procedure B was

used followed by flash column chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc 95:5) to afford a beige amorphous solid (7:3 dr, 0.12 g, 0.34 mmol) in 61% isolated yield.

¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) major diastereomer δ 7.33 (t, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 6.81 – 6.77 (m, 2H), 6.72 – 6.71 (m, 1H), 6.57 (dd, *J* = 2.7, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 5.05 (d, *J* = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.38 – 3.27 (m, 1H), 2.98 (s, 6H), 1.40 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 3H), 1.38 (s, 9H).

¹³C{¹H} NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 154.0, 151.5, 133.6, 133.2, 127.5, 127.3, 111.4, 107.0, 106.2, 92.3, 87.5, 56.1, 45.8, 41.3, 34.4, 29.4, 17.6.

HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z* 340.2297 calcd for C₂₂H₃₀NO₅ [M + H]⁺; found 340.2277.

Elemental Composition Report

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Single Mass Analysis

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Element prediction: Off

Number of isotope peaks used for i-FIT = 3

Monoisotopic Mass, Even Electron Ions

343 formula(e) evaluated with 2 results within limits (up to 50 best isotopic matches for each mass)

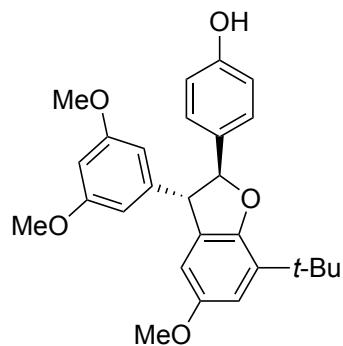
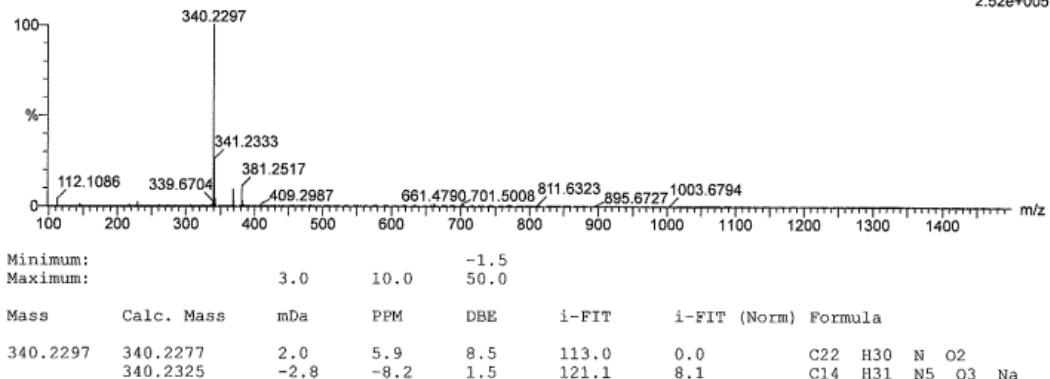
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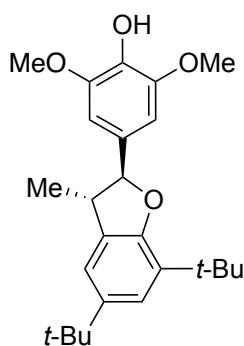
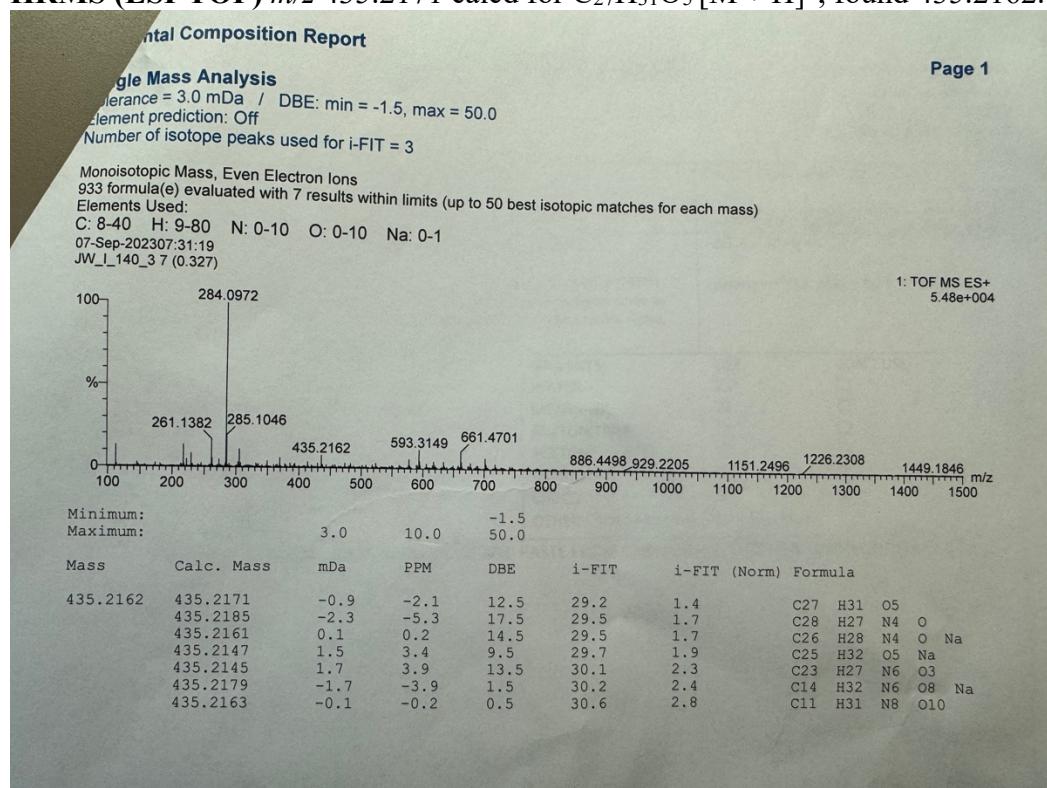
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General procedure C was followed using pterostilbene (**2e**) (0.56 mmol, 1.00 equiv), 2-*tert*-butyl-4-methoxyphenol (1.12 mmol, 2.00 equiv), TiO₂ (5.60 mmol, 10.0 equiv) and HFIP/TFT 1:1 mixture (4.00 mL, 0.14 M) for 24 h. General procedure B was used followed by flash column chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc 85:15) to afford a beige oil (>20:1 dr, 0.19 g, 0.44 mmol) in 79% isolated yield.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.19 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.80 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 6.76 (dd, *J* = 2.7, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 6.42 – 6.36 (m, 2H), 6.32 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 2H), 5.45 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 4.33 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 3.75 (s, 6H), 3.70 (s, 3H), 1.42 (s, 9H).

¹³C{¹H} NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.2, 155.4, 154.4, 152.0, 144.5, 134.1, 130.7, 127.4, 115.4, 112.8, 107.2, 106.6, 99.1, 92.0, 58.8, 56.1, 55.5, 34.5, 29.7, 29.4.

HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z* 435.2171 calcd for C₂₇H₃₁O₅ [M + H]⁺; found 435.2162.



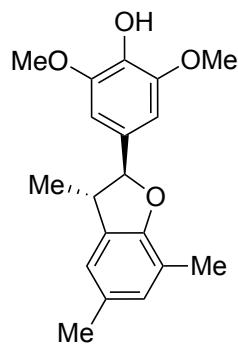
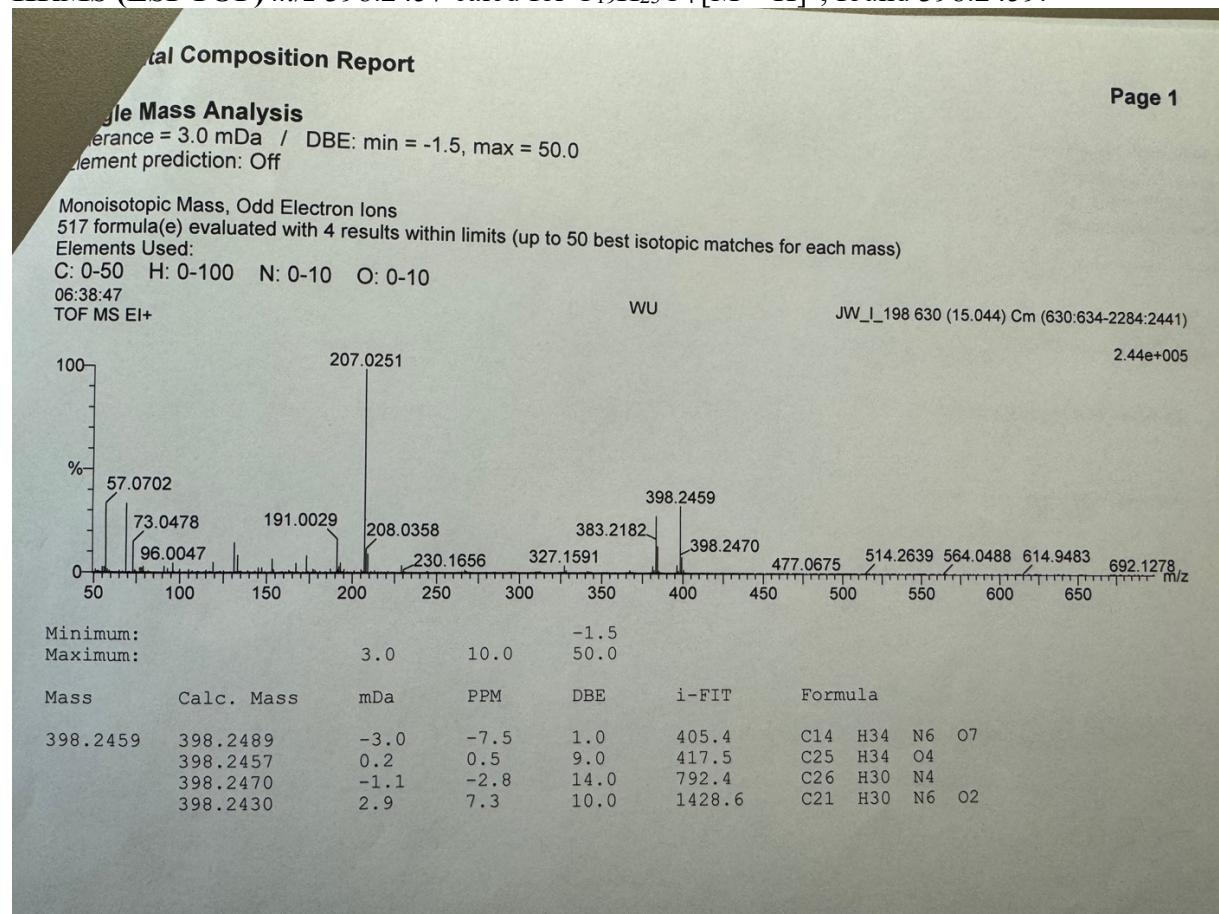
(±)-4-(5,7-Di-tert-butyl-3-methyl-2,3-dihydrobenzofuran-2-yl)-2,6-dimethoxyphenol (3db)

General procedure C was followed using 2,6-dimethoxy-4-(prop-1-en-1-yl)phenol (**2b**), 2,4-di-*tert*-butylphenol (0.56 mmol, 1.00 equiv), (1.12 mmol, 2.00 equiv), TiO₂ (5.60 mmol, 10.0 equiv) and HFIP/TFT 1:1 mixture (4.00 mL, 0.14 M) for 12 h. General procedure B was used followed by flash column chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc 80:20) to afford a beige amorphous solid (>20:1 dr, 0.05 g, 0.13 mmol) in 24% isolated yield.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.19 (dd, *J* = 2.1, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 7.02 (dd, *J* = 2.1, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 6.69 (s, 2H), 5.06 (d, *J* = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 3.89 (s, 6H), 3.33 (ddt, *J* = 9.5, 7.7, 6.2 Hz, 1H), 1.44 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 1.42 (s, 9H), 1.34 (s, 9H).

¹³C{¹H} NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 154.9, 147.2, 143.5, 134.5, 133.0, 132.0, 131.7, 122.2, 118.1, 102.8, 92.4, 56.4, 46.0, 34.7, 34.5, 32.0, 29.6, 17.8.

HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z* 398.2457 calcd for C₁₉H₂₃O₄ [M + H]⁺; found 398.2459.



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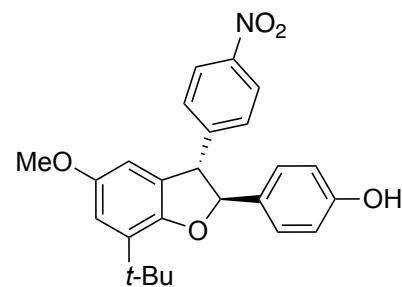
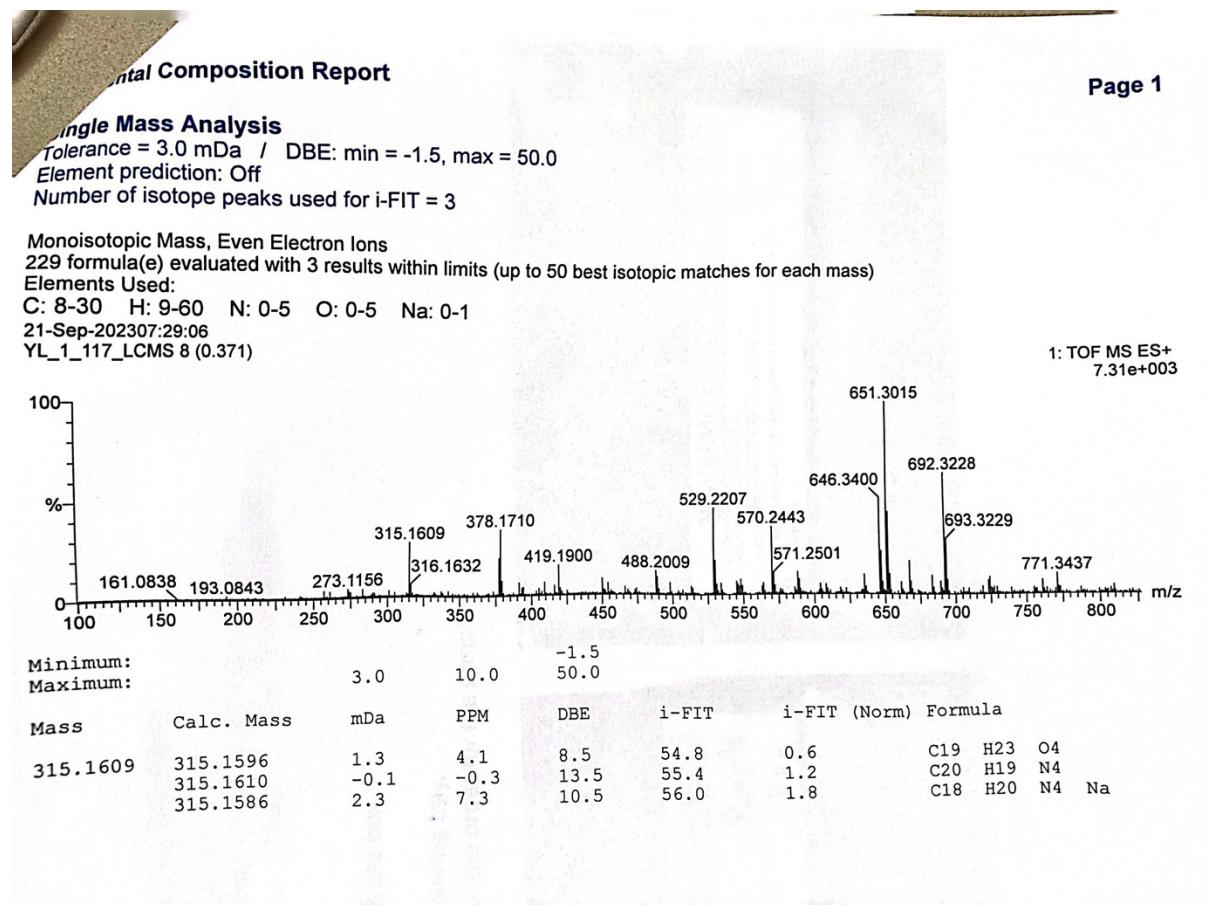
General procedure C was followed using 2,6-dimethoxy-4-(prop-1-en-1-yl)phenol (**2b**) (0.56 mmol, 1.00 equiv), 2,4-dimethyphenol (1.12 mmol, 2.00 equiv), TiO₂ (5.60 mmol, 10.0 equiv) and HFIP/TFT 1:1 mixture (4.00 mL, 0.14 M) for 12 h. General procedure B was used followed

by flash column chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc 80:20) to afford a beige amorphous solid (>20:1 dr, 0.05 g, 0.18 mmol) in 32% isolated yield.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.83 (s, 1H), 6.79 (s, 1H), 6.67 (s, 2H), 5.52 (s, 1H), 5.01 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 3.89 (s, 6H), 3.41 (dq, J = 9.5, 6.6 Hz, 1H), 2.29 (s, 3H), 2.23 (s, 3H), 1.38 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H).

¹³C{¹H} NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 155.5, 147.2, 134.8, 132.0, 131.4, 130.2 (2), 121.5, 119.4, 103.4, 93.0, 56.5, 46.0, 20.9, 17.7, 15.4.

HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z* 314.1596 calcd for C₁₉H₂₃O₄ [M + H]⁺; found 314.1609.



(±)-4-(7-(*tert*-Butyl)-5-methoxy-3-(4-nitrophenyl)-2,3-dihydrobenzofuran-2-yl)phenol
(3ag)

General procedure C was followed using 4-hydroxy-4'-nitrostilbene (**2g**) (0.60 mmol, 1.00 equiv), 2-*tert*-butyl-4-methoxyphenol (0.60 mmol, 1.00 equiv), TiO₂ (6.00 mmol, 10.0 equiv) and HFIP/TFT 5:1 mixture (6.00 mL, 0.1 M) for 24 h. General procedure B was used followed by flash column chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc 80:20) to afford a yellow oil (>20:1 dr, 0.17 g, 0.41 mmol) in 69% isolated yield.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.20 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.35 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.16 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.85 – 6.79 (m, 3H), 6.30 (dd, *J* = 2.7, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 5.41 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 4.54 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 3.70 (s, 3H), 1.42 (s, 9H).

¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 155.8, 154.6, 152.1, 149.5, 147.4, 134.6, 132.9, 129.7, 129.5, 127.4, 124.3, 115.7, 113.3, 106.9, 92.1, 58.6, 56.0, 34.6, 29.4.

HRMS (EI-TOF) *m/z* 419.1733 calcd for C₂₅H₂₅NO₅ [M]⁺; found 419.1719.

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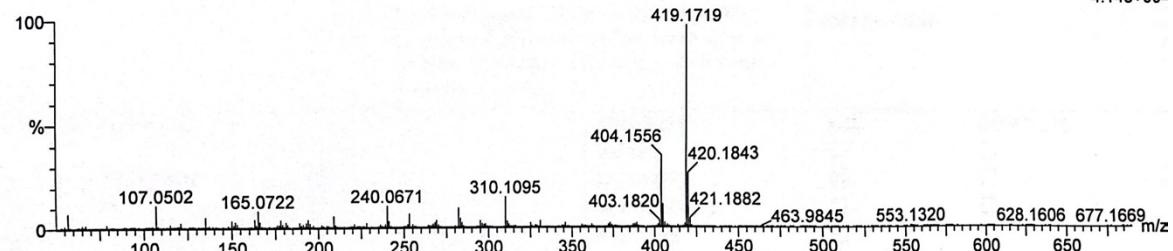
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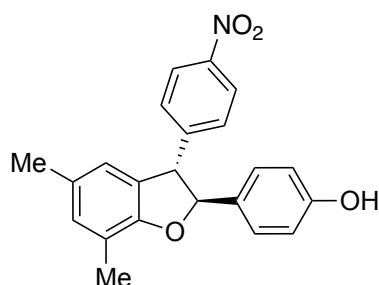
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(±)-4-(5,7-Dimethyl-3-(4-nitrophenyl)-2,3-dihydrobenzofuran-2-yl)phenol (**3eg**)

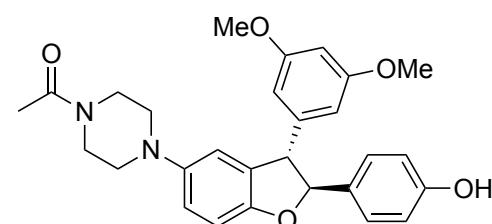
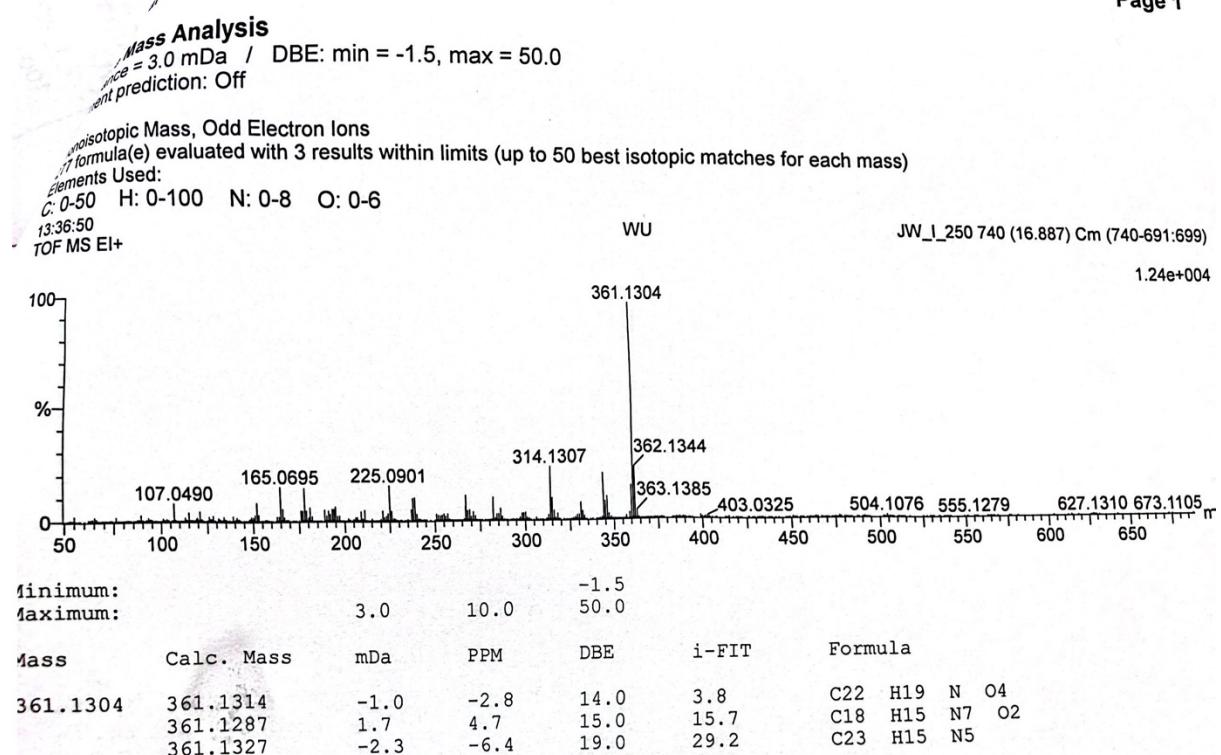
General procedure C was followed using 4-hydroxy-4'-nitrostilbene (**2g**) (0.60 mmol, 1.00 equiv), 2,4-dimethyphenol (0.60 mmol, 1.00 equiv), TiO₂ (6.00 mmol, 10.0 equiv) and HFIP/TFT 5:1 mixture (6.00 mL, 0.1 M) for 24 h. General procedure B was used followed by flash column chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc 80:20) to afford a yellow oil (>20:1 dr, 0.14 g, 0.39 mmol) in 65% isolated yield.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.19 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.34 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.19 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.90 (s, 1H), 6.82 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.57 (s, 1H), 5.39 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 5.00 (s, 1H), 4.62 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 2.29 (s, 3H), 2.24 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.3, 155.9, 149.7, 147.3, 132.5, 131.4, 130.9, 129.4, 128.3, 127.8, 124.2, 122.8, 119.9, 115.8, 92.3, 58.5, 20.9, 15.5.

HRMS (EI-TOF) *m/z* 361.1314 calcd for C₂₂H₁₉NO₄ [M]⁺; found 361.1304.

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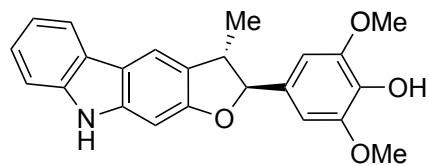
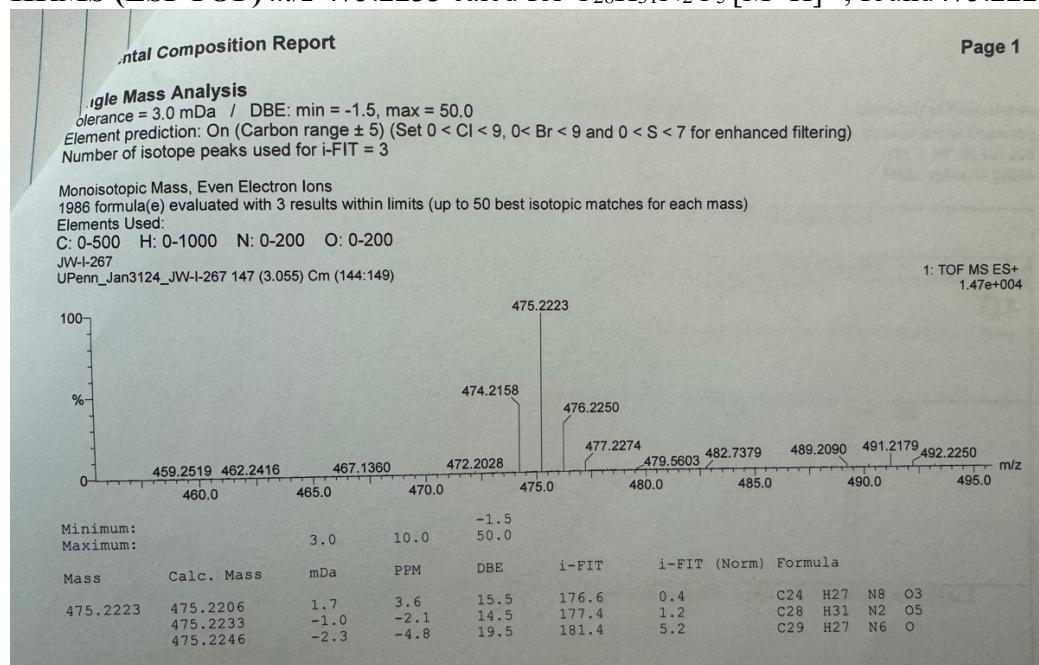
(±)-1-(4-(3,5-Dimethoxyphenyl)-2-(4-hydroxyphenyl)-2,3-dihydrobenzofuran-5-yl)piperazin-1-ylethan-1-one (**3ge**)

General procedure C was followed using pterostilbene (**2e**) (0.60 mmol, 1.00 equiv), 1-(4-(4-hydroxyphenyl)piperazin-1-yl)ethan-1-one (**1g**) (0.60 mmol, 1.00 equiv), TiO₂ (6.00 mmol, 10.0 equiv) and HFIP/TFT 1:1 mixture (6.00 mL, 0.1 M) for 24 h. General procedure B was used followed by flash column chromatography (EtOAc) to afford a white amorphous solid (>20:1 dr, 0.173 g, 0.365 mmol) in 65% isolated yield.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.26 – 7.13 (m, 2H), 6.87 – 6.77 (m, 4H), 6.64 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 6.38 (t, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 6.30 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 2H), 5.44 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 4.43 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 3.73 (s, 6H), 3.74–3.75 (m, 2H), 3.57 (dd, *J* = 6.4, 3.9 Hz, 2H), 3.04 – 2.91 (m, 4H), 2.13 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 169.5, 161.1, 156.5, 154.9, 146.1, 144.0, 132.1, 130.9, 127.5, 118.5, 115.7, 115.5, 109.6, 106.5, 98.9, 92.9, 58.3, 55.4, 51.6, 51.4, 46.5, 41.8, 21.3.

HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z* 475.2233 calcd for C₂₈H₃₁N₂O₅ [M+H]⁺; found 475.2223.



(±)-2,6-dimethoxy-4-(3-methyl-3,5-dihydro-2H-furo[3,2-b]carbazol-2-yl)phenol (**3fb**)

General procedure C was followed using 2,6-dimethoxy-4-(prop-1-en-1-yl)phenol (**2b**) (0.60 mmol, 1.00 equiv), 2-hydroxycarbazole (**1f**) (0.60 mmol, 1.00 equiv), TiO₂ (6.00 mmol, 10.0 equiv) and HFIP/TFT 5:1 mixture (6.00 mL, 0.1 M) for 8 h. General procedure B was used followed by flash column chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc 80:20) to afford a colorless oil (2:1 dr, 0.057 g, 0.15 mmol) in 27% isolated yield.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.04 – 7.96 (m, 1H), 7.80 (s, 1H), 7.46 – 7.31 (m, 2H), 7.26 – 7.19 (m, 1H), 6.91 (s, 1H), 6.73 (s, 2H), 5.56 (s, 1H), 5.16 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 3.93 (s, 6H), 3.66 – 3.54 (m, 1H), 1.54 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.7, 147.2, 140.3, 139.5, 134.8, 131.6, 125.4, 124.3, 123.6, 119.5, 119.1, 117.6, 114.9, 110.3, 103.2, 94.0, 91.6, 56.4, 45.1, 18.0.

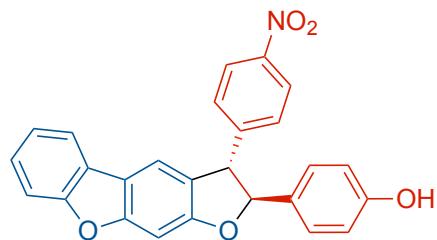
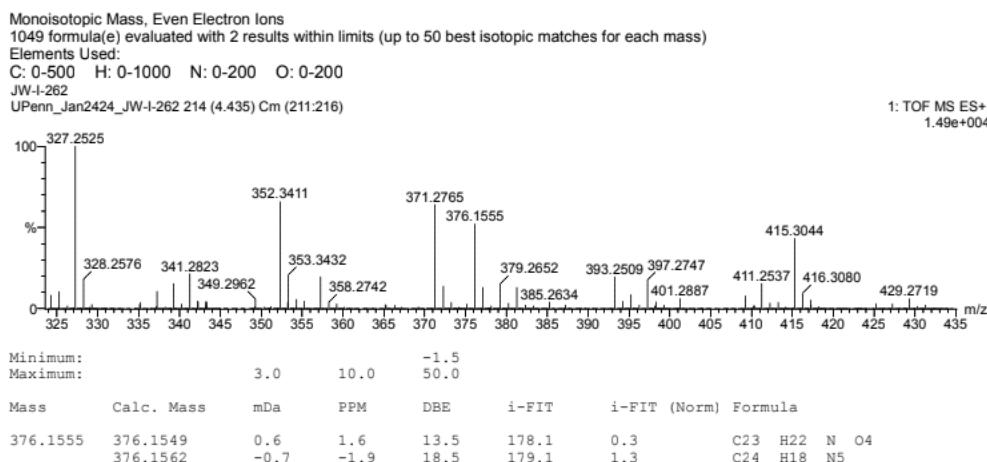
HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z* 376.1549 calcd for C₂₃H₂₂NO₄ [M+H]⁺; found 376.1555.

Elemental Composition Report

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Single Mass Analysis

Tolerance = 3.0 mDa / DBE: min = -1.5, max = 50.0
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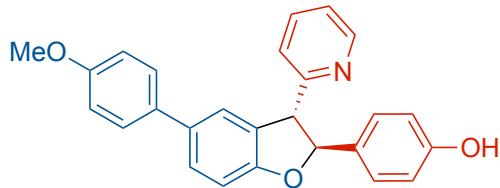


(±)-4-(3-(4-Nitrophenyl)-3,9-dihydro-2*H*-furo[2,3-*b*]dibenzofuran-2-yl)phenol (3hg)

General procedure C was followed using 4-(4-nitrostyryl)phenol (**2g**) (0.56 mmol, 1.00 equiv), dibenzo[b,d]furan-3-ol (**1h**) (0.56 mmol, 1.00 equiv), TiO₂ (5.60 mmol, 10.0 equiv) and HFIP/TFT 5:1 mixture (6.0 mL, 0.1 M) for 28 h. General procedure B was used followed by flash column chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc 70:30) to afford a white amorphous solid (>20:1 dr, 0.089 g, 0.21 mmol) in 38% isolated yield.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, Acetone) δ 8.52 (s, 1H), 8.28 – 8.21 (m, 2H), 7.62 – 7.57 (m, 3H), 7.54 (dt, *J* = 8.4, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (ddd, *J* = 8.4, 7.0, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.34 – 7.30 (m, 2H), 7.16 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.06 – 6.95 (m, 2H), 6.92 – 6.84 (m, 2H), 5.62 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 5.34 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, Acetone) δ 157.8, 157.0, 156.7, 151.8, 149.3, 147.4, 131.1, 129.4, 127.7, 124.2, 122.7, 122.6, 122.5, 121.1, 121.0, 115.5, 115.4, 111.6, 111.4, 108.8, 93.5, 56.8.

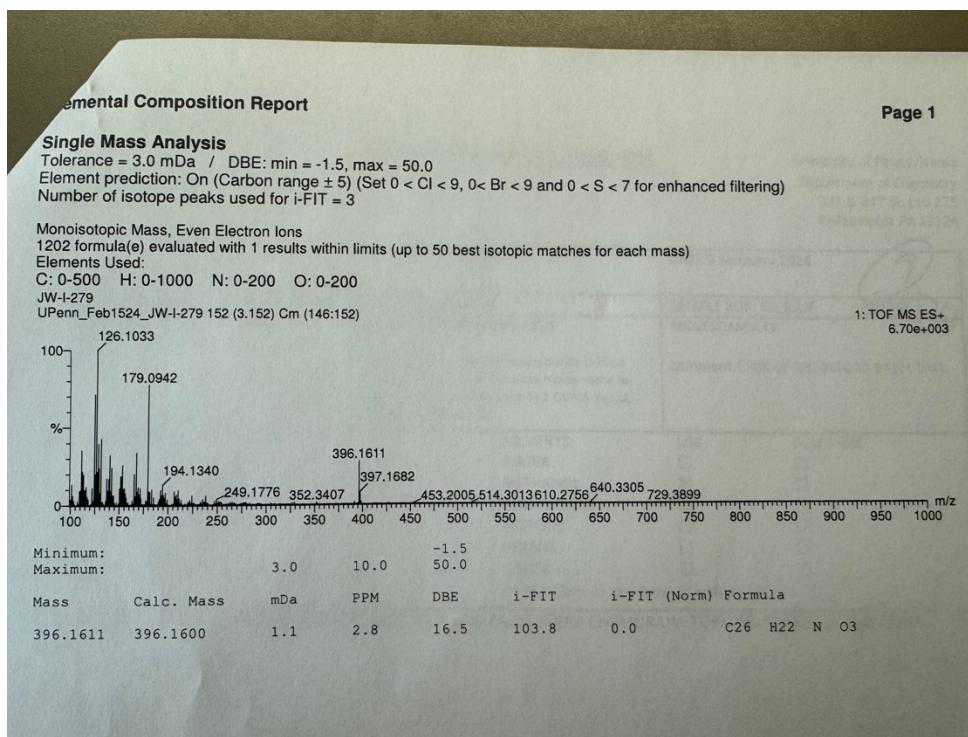


(±)-4-(5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-3-(pyridin-2-yl)-2,3-dihydrobenzofuran-2-yl)phenol (3ih)

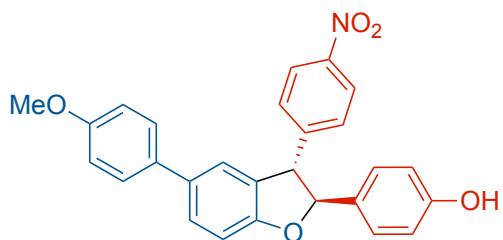
General procedure C was followed using 4-(2-(pyridin-2-yl)vinyl)phenol (**2h**) (0.56 mmol, 1.00 equiv), 4-methoxy-[1,1-biphenyl]-4-ol (**1i**) (0.84 mmol, 1.50 equiv), TiO₂ (5.60 mmol, 10.0 equiv) and HFIP/TFT 1:1 mixture (10.0 mL, 0.056 M) for 24 h. General procedure B was used followed by flash column chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc 70:30) to afford a yellow amorphous solid (>20:1 dr, 0.090 g, 0.23 mmol) in 41% isolated yield.

¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO) δ 9.59 (s, 1H), 8.22 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.53 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.48 (m, 3H), 7.45 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.22 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 7.16 (t, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.01 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.94 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.77 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 5.60 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 4.92 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (151 MHz, DMSO) δ 158.8, 158.7, 158.2, 149.7, 147.2, 133.9, 132.9, 131.1, 130.0, 129.9, 128.4, 127.8, 127.7, 124.5, 123.3, 115.8, 114.7, 110.3, 92.3, 56.1, 55.6. One carbon signal is overlapping.



HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z* 396.1600 calcd for C₂₆H₂₂NO₃ [M+H]⁺; found 396.1611.

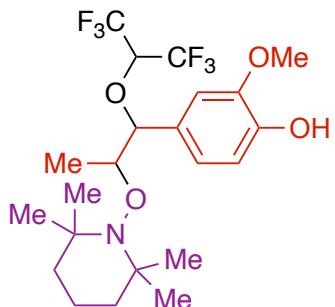


(±)-4-(5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-3-(4-nitrophenyl)-2,3-dihydrobenzofuran-2-yl)phenol (3ig)

General procedure C was followed using 4-(4-nitrostyryl)phenol (**2g**) (0.56 mmol, 1.00 equiv), 4-methoxy-[1,1-biphenyl]-4-ol (**1i**) (1.12 mmol, 2.00 equiv), TiO₂ (5.60 mmol, 10.0 equiv) and HFIP/TFT 7:5 mixture (12.0 mL, 0.047 M) for 28 h. General procedure B was used followed by flash column chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc 70:30) to afford a yellow amorphous solid (>20:1 dr, 0.090 g, 0.23 mmol) in 88% isolated yield.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO) δ 9.58 (s, 1H), 8.22 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.53 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.50 – 7.40 (m, 3H), 7.22 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.16 (s, 1H), 7.01 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 6.94 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.77 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 5.60 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 4.92 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO) δ 158.8, 158.7, 158.2, 149.7, 147.2, 133.9, 132.9, 131.1, 130.0, 129.9, 128.4, 127.8, 127.7, 124.5, 123.3, 115.8, 114.7, 110.3, 92.3, 56.1, 55.6.



4-((1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoropropan-2-yl)oxy)-2-((2,2,6,6-tetramethylpiperidin-1-yl)oxy)propyl-2-methoxyphenol (2a-TEMPO)

2a-TEMPO was prepared as described in the radical trapping experiment section.

¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.91 – 6.87 (m, 2H), 6.79 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 5.67 (s, 1H), 4.60 (d, *J* = 6.1 Hz, 1H), 4.29 (quintet, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.07 (quintet, *J* = 5.9 Hz, 1H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 1.61 – 1.24 (m, 5H), 1.23 – 1.00 (m, 16H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 146.6, 146.2, 127.6, 121.9 (q, *J*_{C-F} = 107.4 Hz), 122.3, 114.0, 110.5, 87.3, 80.2, 72.6 (t, *J*_{C-F} = 32.4 Hz), 61.0, 59.0, 55.9, 40.6, 40.3, 34.3, 34.0, 20.5, 20.3, 17.3, 16.5.

¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -72.04 (q, *J* = 9.5 Hz), -73.30 (q, *J* = 9.4 Hz).

Computation Details

General Remarks

All optimizations of intermediates and transition states were calculated using unrestricted B3LYP¹⁰-D3¹¹ with Stuttgart/Dresden ECP (SDD)¹² basis set for Ti and the 6-31G(d,p)¹³ basis set for other atoms using an ultrafine (99,590) grid with the “opt=noeigen” keyword as implemented in Gaussian16. Frequency calculations, using the same method, were used to obtain thermal corrections (at 298.15K; enthalpy and free energy) and to characterize the obtained stationary points as transition states (only one single imaginary frequency) or intermediate (zero imaginary frequencies). Conformational searches were performed manually for all intermediates and transition states, and only the lowest energy species were shown and discussed. Intrinsic reaction coordinate (IRC)¹⁴ calculations were undertaken to ensure that the transition states connect to the correct associated local minima. Single point energy calculations using UM06¹⁵/6-311++G(d,p)¹⁶ with implicit solvent (1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-propanol, $\epsilon=16.7$) using CPCM¹⁷ were also performed on all structures. Vibrational frequencies were corrected using Truhlar’s quasiharmonic oscillator approximation, setting all vibrational frequencies below 100 cm⁻¹ to 100 cm⁻¹.¹⁸ The quasiharmonic oscillator corrections were obtained using the GoodVibes.py program by Prof. Robert Paton.¹⁹ UV-Vis spectra were simulated with TD-DFT using the same geometry optimization method with the additional keyword IOP(9/40=2). Obtained outputs were opened in GaussSum 3.0²⁰ and the corresponding electronic transitions were generated (see instructions on GaussSum webpage). All 3-D structures were generated using CYLview.²¹ Spin density values were obtained using Natural Bond Order (NBO) analysis. Noncovalent interaction (NCI) analysis, also known as reduce density gradient (RDG) method, was performed on Multiwfns to study the possible effect of noncovalent interaction in different conformations.²² Extension distance of 0 Bohr, medium quality grid (totally about 512000 points) were set by default. Further visualization of the color-filled RDG isosurface was realized by VMD, where RDG isosurface and color range were set as 0.5, and -0.035 to 0.2, respectively.²³

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Supporting Figures

Table S3. Excitation energies, oscillator strength, and main transitions calculated at TD-UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)-SDD(Ti) level for TiO₂-**2a** adduct. Wavefunctions and contributions to the electronic transitions are presented in the last column.

Wavelength (nm)	Oscillator Strength (f)	Wavefunction ($ {\text{coefficient}} ^2$)
524.11	0.0004	HOMO→LUMO (37%)

490.75	0.0001	HOMO→LUMO+2 (27%)
471.76	0.0003	HOMO→LUMO+1 (40%)
433.51	0.0205	HOMO→LUMO+3 (43%)
407.37	0.1079	HOMO→LUMO+4 (13%)

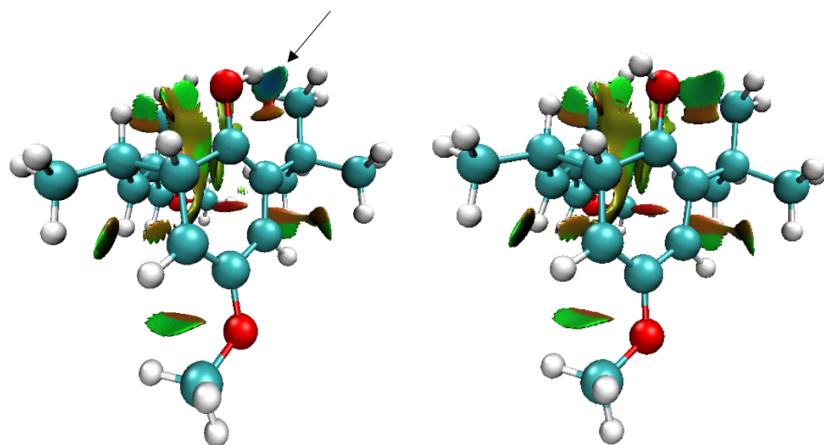


Figure S28. NCI plots of two conformations for **int-7**, showing that the hydroxyl is not pointing away from the *tert*-butyl after the coupling as it is in **1a**.

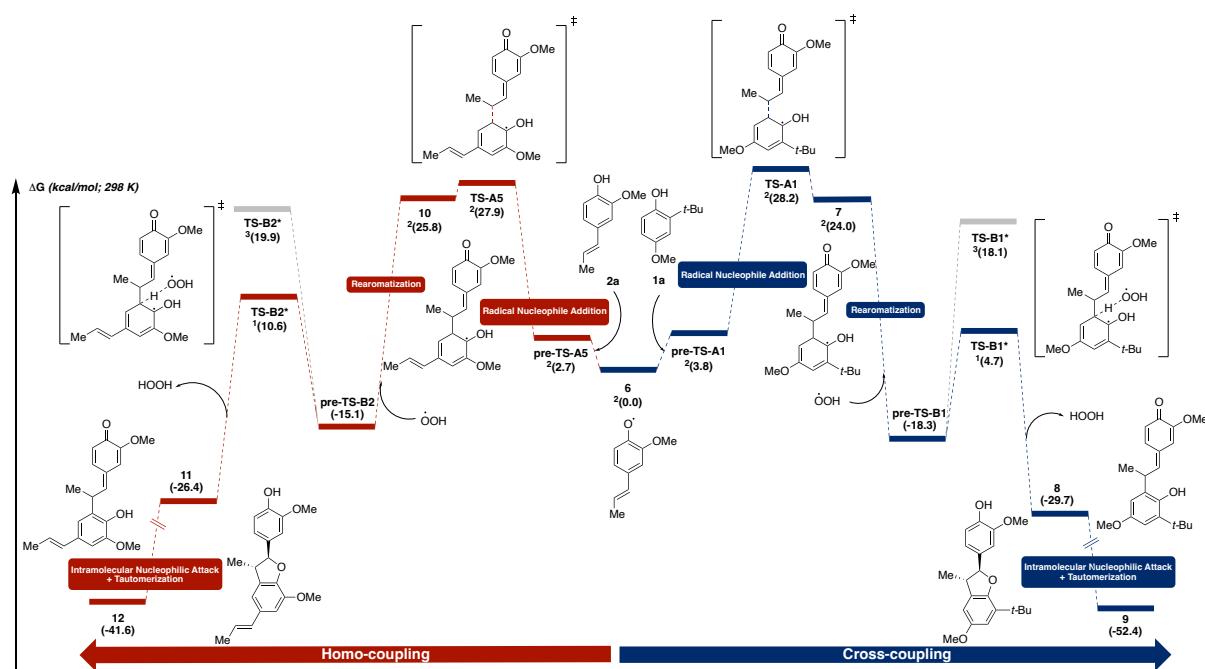


Figure S29. More complete energy profile with grey pathways representing triplet spin states. Free energies were computed using UM06/6-311++G(d,p)-CPCM(HFIP)//UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p).

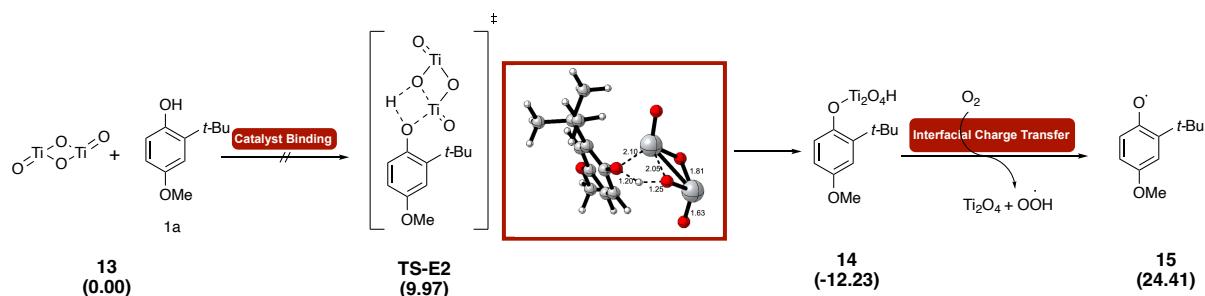


Figure S30. Less favored alternative pathway to generate common intermediate, phenoxy radical **15**. Free energies were computed using UM06/6-311++G(d,p)-SDD(Ti) CPCM(HFIP)//UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)-SDD(Ti).

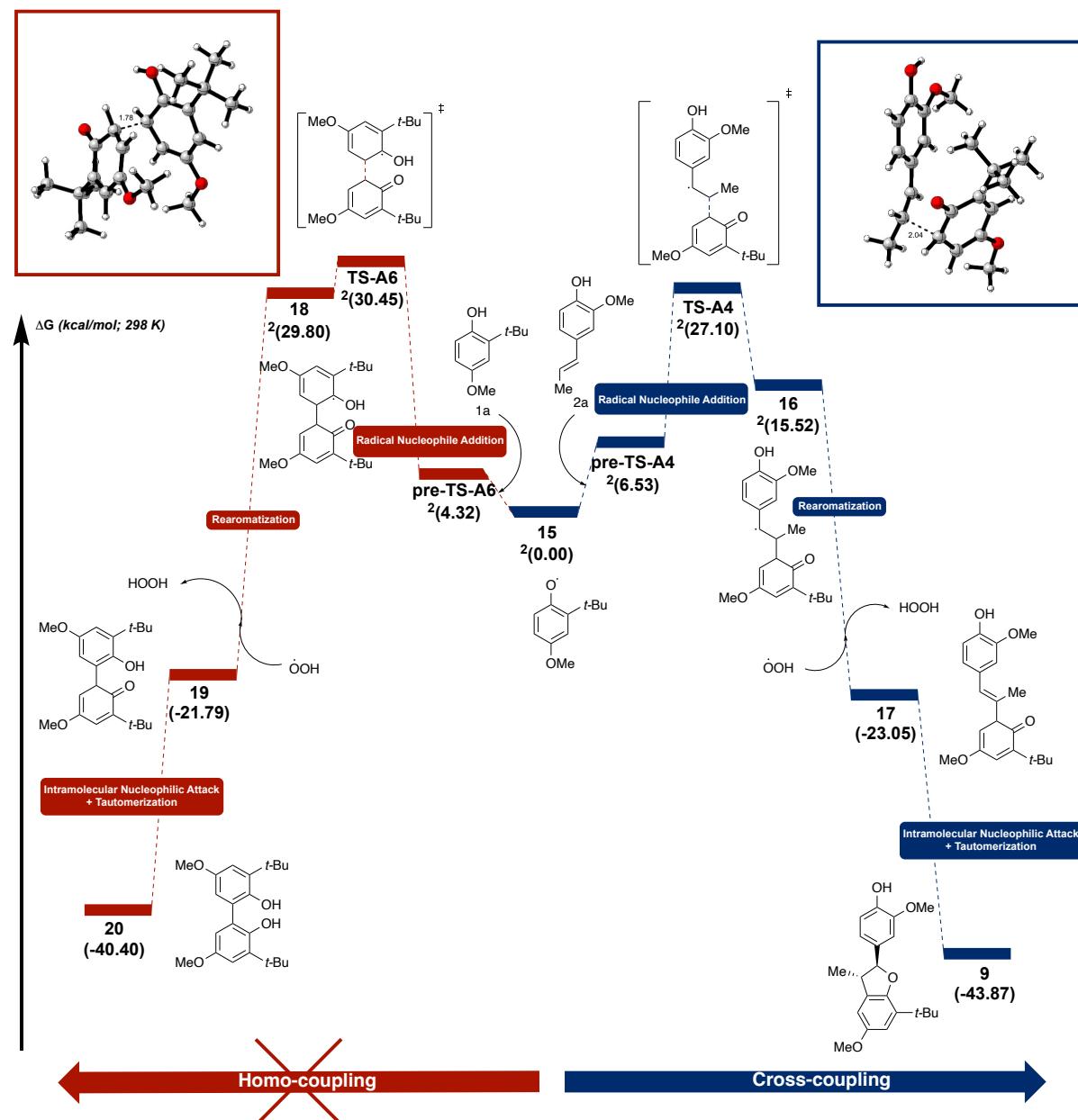


Figure S31. Alternative PES showing **1a** homocoupling is energetically unfavorable, thus using excess **1a** will not lead to large amount of undesired byproducts. Free energies were computed using UM06/6-311++G(d,p)-CPCM(HFIP)//UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p).

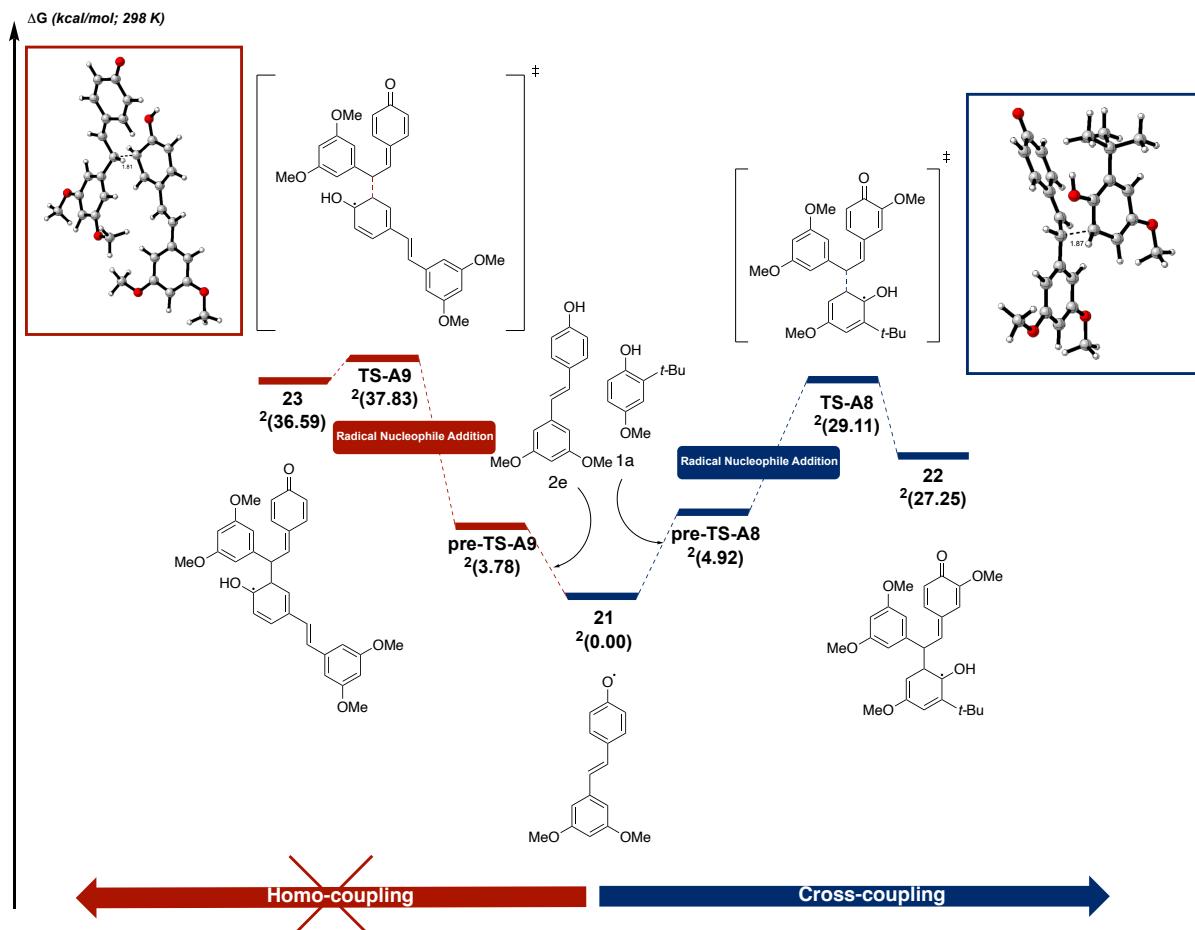
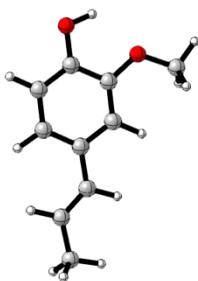


Figure S32. Partial PES on key coupling step and rationalizing the absence of **2e** homocoupling. Free energies were computed using UM06/6-311++G(d,p)-CPCM(HFIP)//UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p).

Calculated Structures and Energies

2a



UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)

Zero-point correction= 0.198662 (Hartree/Particle)

Thermal correction to Energy= 0.210759

Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.211703

Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.159473

Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies= -538.548293

Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -538.536196

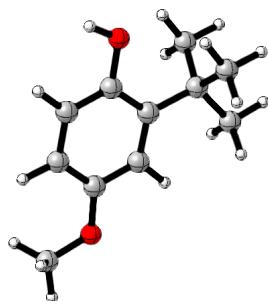
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Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -538.587482

UM06/6-311++G(d,p)-CPCM(HFIP)//UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)

HF = -538.484241

1a



UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)

Zero-point correction= 0.250165 (Hartree/Particle)

Thermal correction to Energy= 0.263676

Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.264620

Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.212834

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Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -579.001627

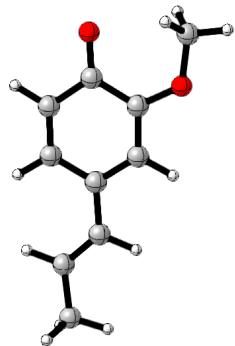
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Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -579.053812

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HF = -578.996099

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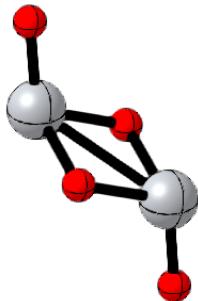
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Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy=	0.148040
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Ti₂O₄



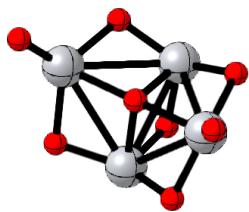
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Ti₄O₈



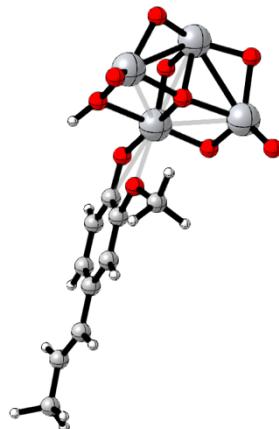
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Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy=	-0.007563
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Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies=	-835.826579
Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies=	-835.879546

UM06/6-311++G(d,p)-CPCM(HFIP)//UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)

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Ti₄O₈-2a



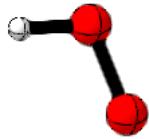
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UM06/6-311++G(d,p)-CPCM(HFIP)//UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)

HF = -1374.1931237

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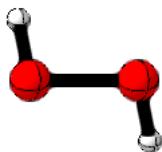
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Thermal correction to Energy=	0.016948
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Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies=	-150.890004
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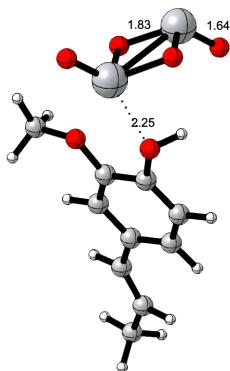
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Zero-point correction=	0.026370 (Hartree/Particle)
Thermal correction to Energy=	0.029631
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Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy=	0.004029
Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies=	-151.517176
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Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies=	-151.512971
Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies=	-151.539518

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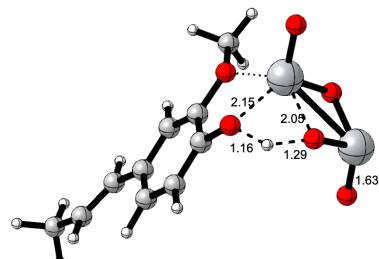
UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)-SDD(Ti)

Zero-point correction= 0.214958 (Hartree/Particle)

Thermal correction to Energy= 0.234728
 Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.235672
 Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.163787
 Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies= -956.435360
 Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -956.415590
 Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -956.414646
 Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -956.486531

UM06/6-311++G(d,p)-SDD(Ti)-CPCM(HFIP)//UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)-SDD(Ti)
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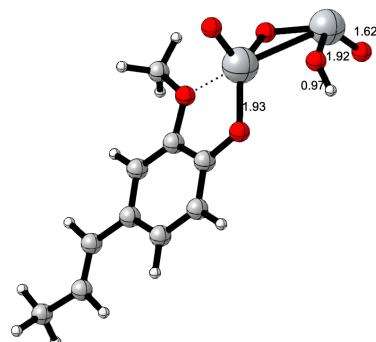


Imaginary frequency = -934.38 cm⁻¹

UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)-SDD(Ti)
 Zero-point correction= 0.210597 (Hartree/Particle)
 Thermal correction to Energy= 0.229658
 Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.230602
 Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.160895
 Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies= -956.435169
 Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -956.416108
 Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -956.415164
 Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -956.484871

UM06/6-311++G(d,p)-SDD(Ti)-CPCM(HFIP)//UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)-SDD(Ti)
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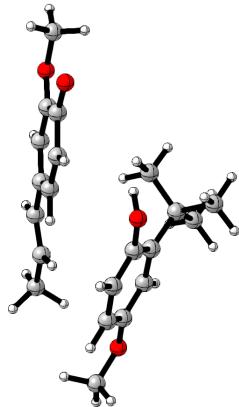


UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)-SDD(Ti)
 Zero-point correction= 0.213583 (Hartree/Particle)
 Thermal correction to Energy= 0.233736
 Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.234680
 Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.161687

Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies=	-956.457805
Sum of electronic and thermal Energies=	-956.437652
Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies=	-956.436708
Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies=	-956.509701

UM06/6-311++G(d,p)-SDD(Ti)-CPCM(HFIP)//UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)-SDD(Ti)
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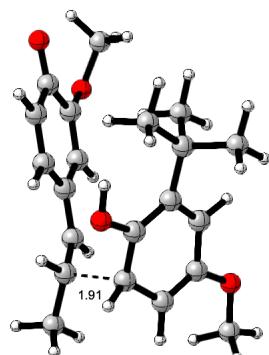


UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)

Zero-point correction=	0.438105 (Hartree/Particle)
Thermal correction to Energy=	0.465072
Thermal correction to Enthalpy=	0.466016
Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy=	0.386025
Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies=	-1116.983573
Sum of electronic and thermal Energies=	-1116.956606
Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies=	-1116.955662
Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies=	-1117.041709

UM06/6-311++G(d,p)-CPCM(HFIP)//UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)
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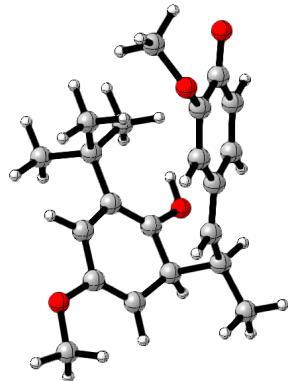
UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)

Zero-point correction=	0.438281 (Hartree/Particle)
Thermal correction to Energy=	0.463862
Thermal correction to Enthalpy=	0.464806

Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy=	0.387501
Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies=	-1116.935986
Sum of electronic and thermal Energies=	-1116.910406
Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies=	-1116.909462
Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies=	-1116.990990

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HF = -1116.812857

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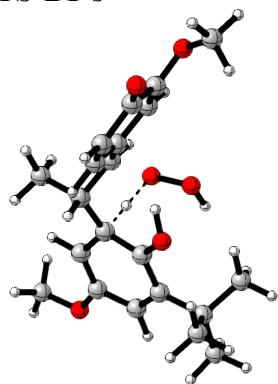


UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)

Zero-point correction=	0.439923 (Hartree/Particle)
Thermal correction to Energy=	0.465708
Thermal correction to Enthalpy=	0.466652
Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy=	0.38909
Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies=	-1116.940648
Sum of electronic and thermal Energies=	-1116.914864
Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies=	-1116.913920
Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies=	-1116.996210

UM06/6-311++G(d,p)-CPCM(HFIP)//UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)
HF = -1116.821314

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Imaginary frequency = -595.02cm⁻¹

UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)

Zero-point correction=	0.453841 (Hartree/Particle)
Thermal correction to Energy=	0.482469

Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.483413
 Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.394187
 Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies= -1267.880090
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 Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -1267.939743

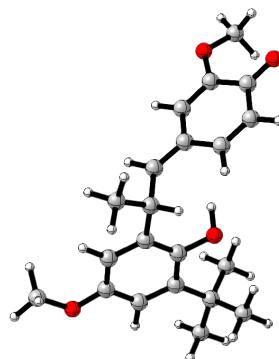
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UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)
 Zero-point correction= 0.451444 (Hartree/Particle)
 Thermal correction to Energy= 0.479021
 Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.479965
 Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.393262
 Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies= -1267.827176
 Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -1267.799600
 Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -1267.798656
 Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -1267.885359

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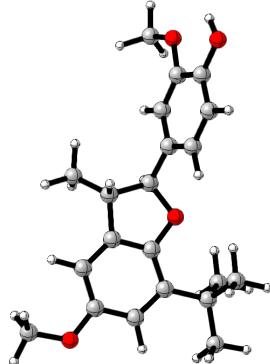
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UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)
 Zero-point correction= 0.430055 (Hartree/Particle)
 Thermal correction to Energy= 0.455570
 Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.456514
 Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.374225
 Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies= -1116.395998
 Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -1116.370484
 Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -1116.369540
 Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -1116.451828

UM06/6-311++G(d,p)-CPCM(HFIP)//UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)
 HF = -1116.263723

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UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)

Zero-point correction= 0.432395 (Hartree/Particle)

Thermal correction to Energy= 0.456890

Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.457834

Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.378106

Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies= -1116.432513

Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -1116.408018

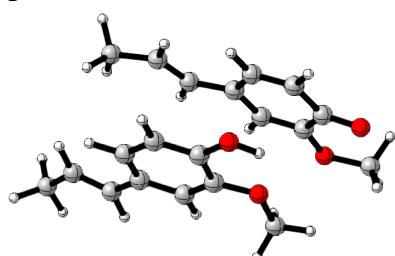
Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -1116.407074

Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -1116.486801

UM06/6-311++G(d,p)-CPCM(HFIP)//UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)

HF = -1116.303689

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UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)

Zero-point correction= 0.385594 (Hartree/Particle)

Thermal correction to Energy= 0.411391

Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.412336

Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.333919

Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies= -1076.495114

Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -1076.469316

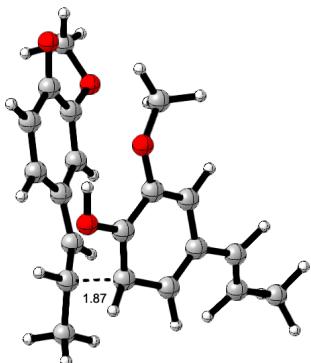
Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -1076.468372

Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -1076.554290

UM06/6-311++G(d,p)-CPCM(HFIP)//UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)

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Imaginary frequency = -539.06 cm⁻¹

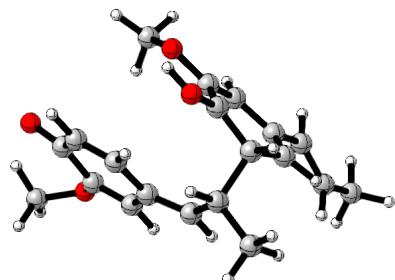
UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)

Zero-point correction=	0.385865 (Hartree/Particle)
Thermal correction to Energy=	0.410290
Thermal correction to Enthalpy=	0.411235
Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy=	0.328808
Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies=	-1076.443474
Sum of electronic and thermal Energies=	-1076.419049
Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies=	-1076.418105
Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies=	-1076.499532

UM06/6-311++G(d,p)-CPCM(HFIP)//UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)

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UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)

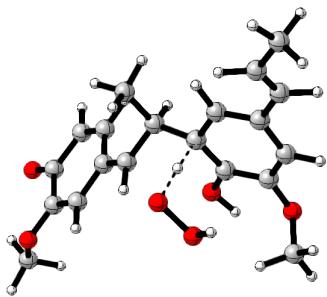
Zero-point correction=	0.387257 (Hartree/Particle)
Thermal correction to Energy=	0.411896
Thermal correction to Enthalpy=	0.412840
Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy=	0.330815
Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies=	-1076.445492
Sum of electronic and thermal Energies=	-1076.420853
Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies=	-1076.419908
Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies=	-1076.501934

UM06/6-311++G(d,p)-CPCM(HFIP)//UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)

HF = -1076.306435

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Imaginary frequency = -560.12 cm⁻¹



UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)

Zero-point correction=	0.401163 (Hartree/Particle)
Thermal correction to Energy=	0.428831
Thermal correction to Enthalpy=	0.429776
Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy=	0.340375
Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies=	-1227.376378
Sum of electronic and thermal Energies=	-1227.348709
Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies=	-1227.347765
Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies=	-1227.437165

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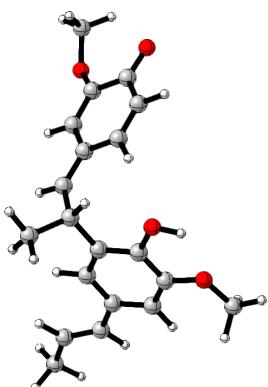
UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)

Zero-point correction=	0.398508 (Hartree/Particle)
Thermal correction to Energy=	0.425397
Thermal correction to Enthalpy=	0.426341
Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy=	0.338627
Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies=	-1227.325122
Sum of electronic and thermal Energies=	-1227.298233
Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies=	-1227.297289
Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies=	-1227.385004

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HF = -1227.173523

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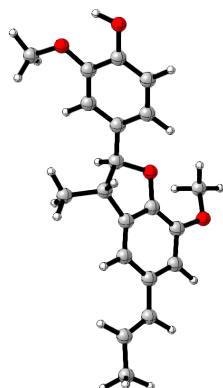
UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)

Zero-point correction=	0.377937 (Hartree/Particle)
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Thermal correction to Energy= 0.402381
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 Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.320551
 Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies= -1075.902672
 Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -1075.878228
 Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -1075.877283
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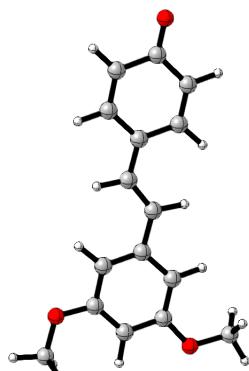
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UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)
 Zero-point correction= 0.379720 (Hartree/Particle)
 Thermal correction to Energy= 0.403182
 Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.404126
 Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.324601
 Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies= -1075.929012
 Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -1075.905550
 Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -1075.904606
 Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -1075.984131

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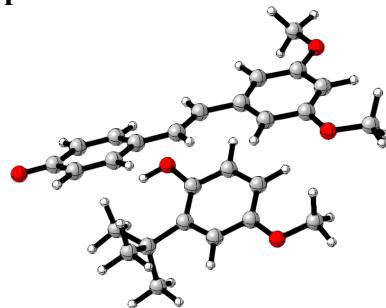


UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)
 Zero-point correction= 0.271472 (Hartree/Particle)

Thermal correction to Energy= 0.288835
 Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.289779
 Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.223681
 Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies= -844.121640
 Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -844.104277
 Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -844.103333
 Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -844.169431

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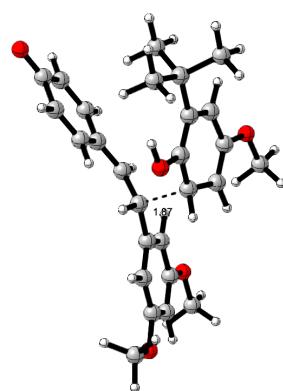
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 Zero-point correction= 0.523690 (Hartree/Particle)
 Thermal correction to Energy= 0.556318
 Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.557262
 Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.453194
 Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies= -1423.179031
 Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -1423.146404
 Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -1423.145459
 Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -1423.245018

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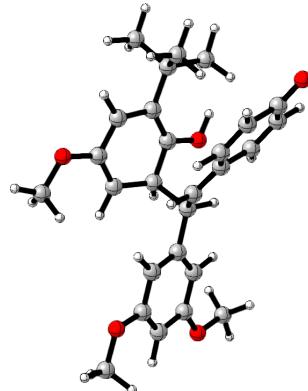
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 Zero-point correction= 0.524294 (Hartree/Particle)
 Thermal correction to Energy= 0.555497

Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.556441
 Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.453085
 Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies= -1423.133919
 Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -1423.102717
 Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -1423.101772
 Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -1423.196762

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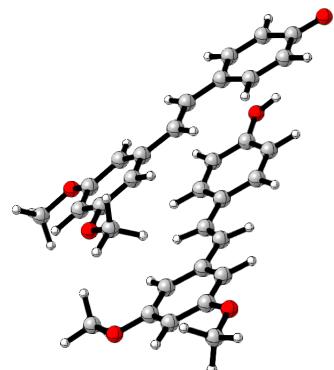
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UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)
 Zero-point correction= 0.525516 (Hartree/Particle)
 Thermal correction to Energy= 0.557000
 Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.557944
 Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.454195
 Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies= -1423.135216
 Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -1423.103732
 Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -1423.102788
 Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -1423.198602

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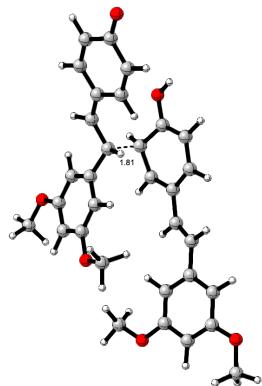


UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)
 Zero-point correction= 0.557806 (Hartree/Particle)
 Thermal correction to Energy= 0.594395
 Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.595339

Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.486274
 Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies= -1688.896351
 Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -1688.859761
 Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -1688.858817
 Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -1688.967882

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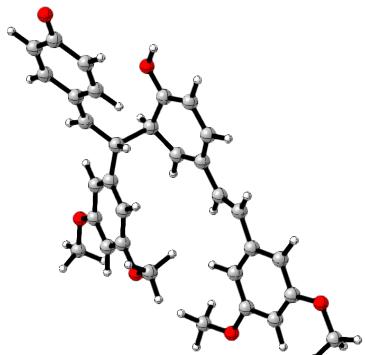
Imaginary frequency = -395.97 cm⁻¹

UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)

Zero-point correction= 0.558290 (Hartree/Particle)
 Thermal correction to Energy= 0.593577
 Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.594521
 Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.488955
 Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies= -1688.837269
 Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -1688.801983
 Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -1688.801038
 Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -1688.906605

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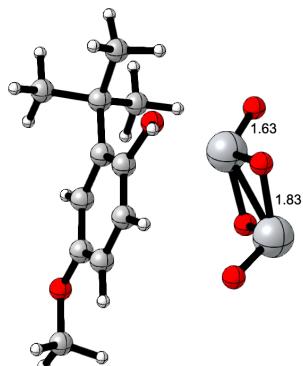
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Zero-point correction= 0.557806 (Hartree/Particle)
 Thermal correction to Energy= 0.594395

Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.595339
 Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.486274
 Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies= -1688.896351
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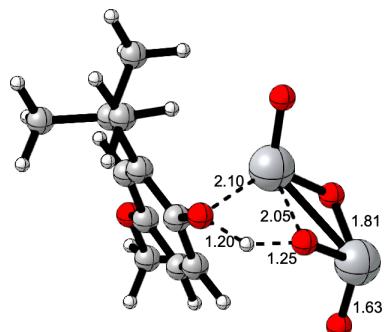
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UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)-SDD(Ti)
 Zero-point correction= 0.267205 (Hartree/Particle)
 Thermal correction to Energy= 0.288313
 Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.289258
 Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.215413
 Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies= -996.911051
 Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -996.889943
 Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -996.888998
 Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -996.962843

UM06/6-311++G(d,p)-SDD(Ti)-CPCM(HFIP)//UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)-SDD(Ti)
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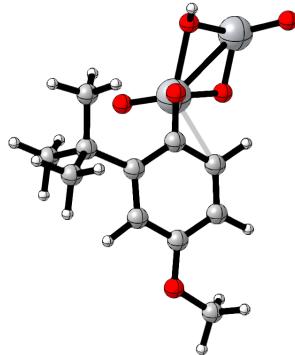
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 Zero-point correction= 0.262902 (Hartree/Particle)
 Thermal correction to Energy= 0.283215

Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.284159
 Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.213848
 Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies= -996.902460
 Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -996.882148
 Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -996.881203
 Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -996.951514

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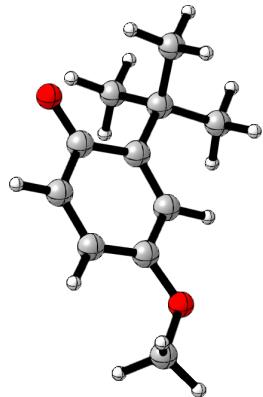
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 Zero-point correction= 0.265696 (Hartree/Particle)
 Thermal correction to Energy= 0.287094
 Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.288038
 Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.213668
 Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies= -996.925652
 Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -996.904254
 Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -996.903310
 Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -996.977680

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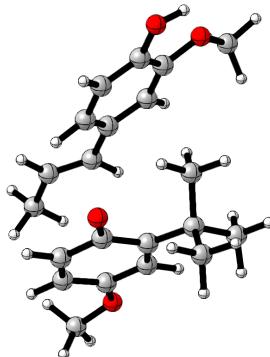


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 Zero-point correction= 0.238359 (Hartree/Particle)
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 Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.252282

Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy=	0.199406
Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies=	-578.424040
Sum of electronic and thermal Energies=	-578.411061
Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies=	-578.410117
Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies=	-578.462993

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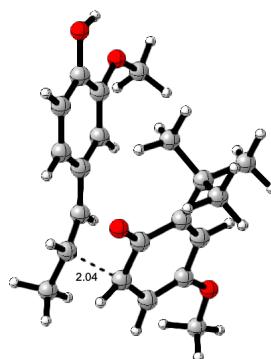
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Thermal correction to Energy=	0.465217
Thermal correction to Enthalpy=	0.466161
Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy=	0.378839
Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies=	-1116.984895
Sum of electronic and thermal Energies=	-1116.957906
Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies=	-1116.956962
Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies=	-1117.044284

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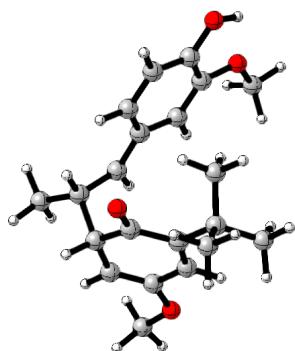
Imaginary frequency = -568.47 cm⁻¹

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Thermal correction to Enthalpy=	0.465037

Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy=	0.383451
Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies=	-1116.955458
Sum of electronic and thermal Energies=	-1116.930059
Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies=	-1116.929115
Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies=	-1117.010701

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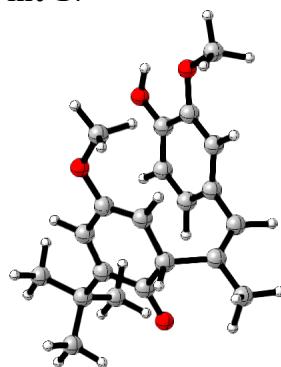
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UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)
Zero-point correction= 0.440608 (Hartree/Particle)
Thermal correction to Energy= 0.466135
Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.467079
Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.385143
Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies= -1116.970289
Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -1116.944762
Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -1116.943818
Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -1117.025754

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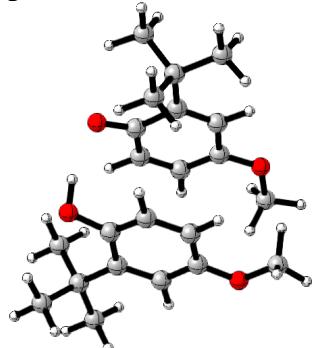


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Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.455914
Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.375102
Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies= -1116.395334

Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -1116.370062
 Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -1116.369118
 Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -1116.449930

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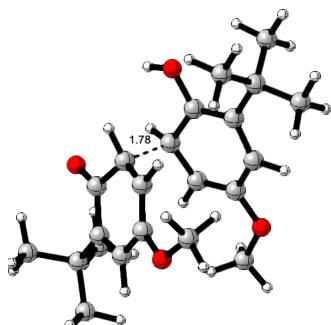
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UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)
 Zero-point correction= 0.491753 (Hartree/Particle)
 Thermal correction to Energy= 0.519047
 Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.519991
 Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.436412
 Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies= -1157.494038
 Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -1157.466745
 Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -1157.465801
 Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -1157.549379

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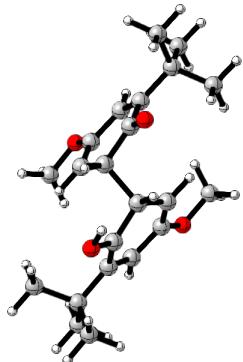
Imaginary frequency = -289.14 cm⁻¹

UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)
 Zero-point correction= 0.490282 (Hartree/Particle)
 Thermal correction to Energy= 0.517373
 Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.518317
 Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.434242
 Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies= -1157.439528
 Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -1157.412437
 Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -1157.411493

Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -1157.495568

UM06/6-311++G(d,p)-CPCM(HFIP)//UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)
HF = -1157.334841

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UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)

Zero-point correction= 0.490999 (Hartree/Particle)

Thermal correction to Energy= 0.518509

Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.519453

Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.434211

Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies= -1157.439053

Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -1157.411544

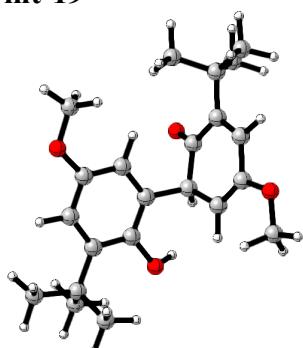
Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -1157.410599

Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -1157.495842

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HF = -1157.335855

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UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)

Zero-point correction= 0.481355 (Hartree/Particle)

Thermal correction to Energy= 0.508507

Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.509451

Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.425581

Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies= -1156.886819

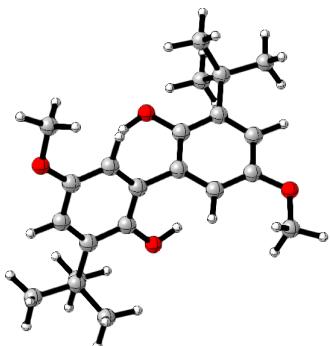
Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -1156.859668

Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -1156.858724

Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -1156.942593

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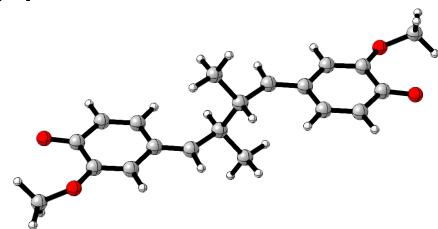
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UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)
Zero-point correction= 0.482265 (Hartree/Particle)
Thermal correction to Energy= 0.509268
Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.510213
Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.426757
Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies= -1156.921528
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Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -1156.893580
Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -1156.977035

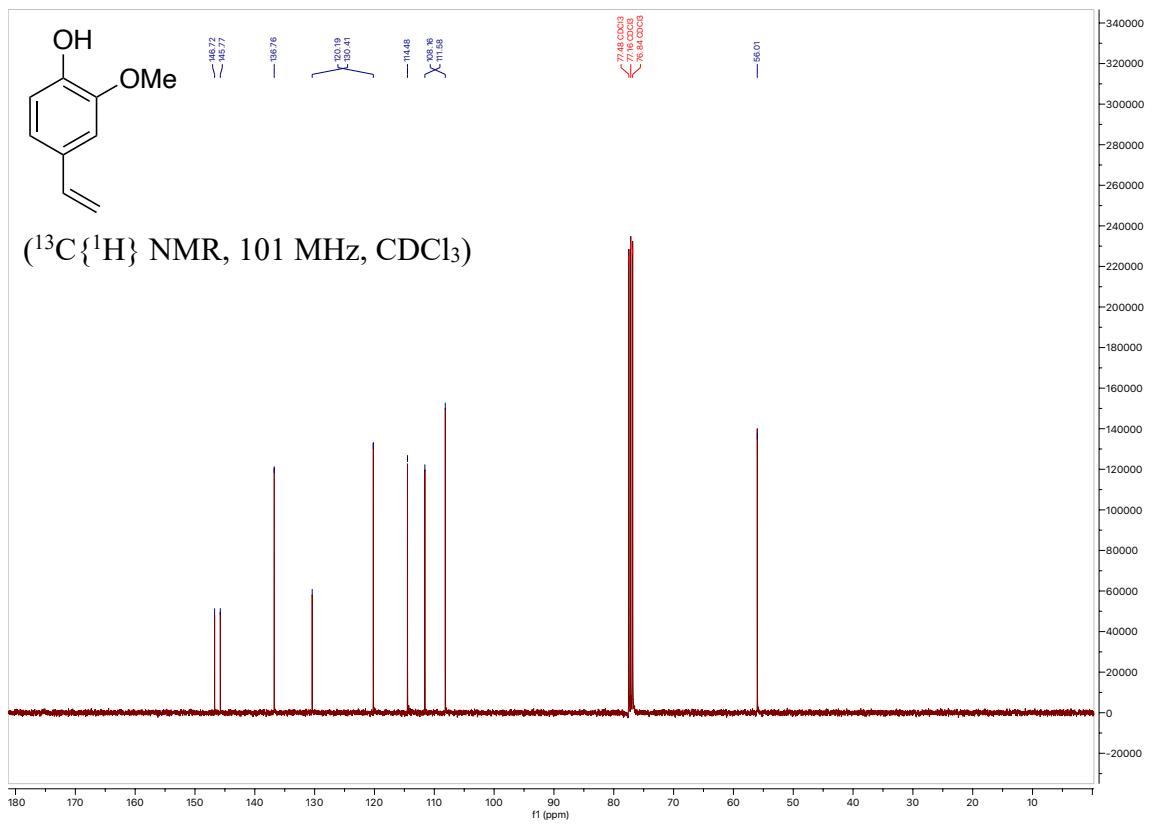
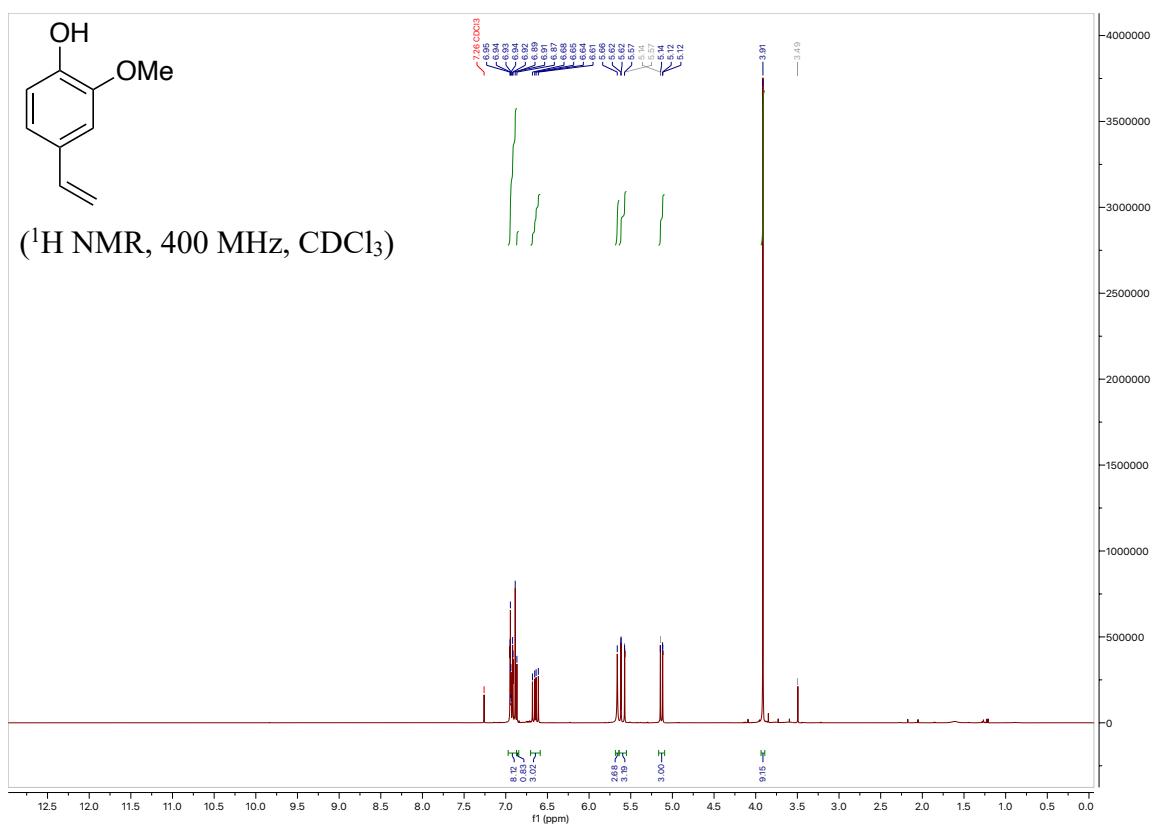
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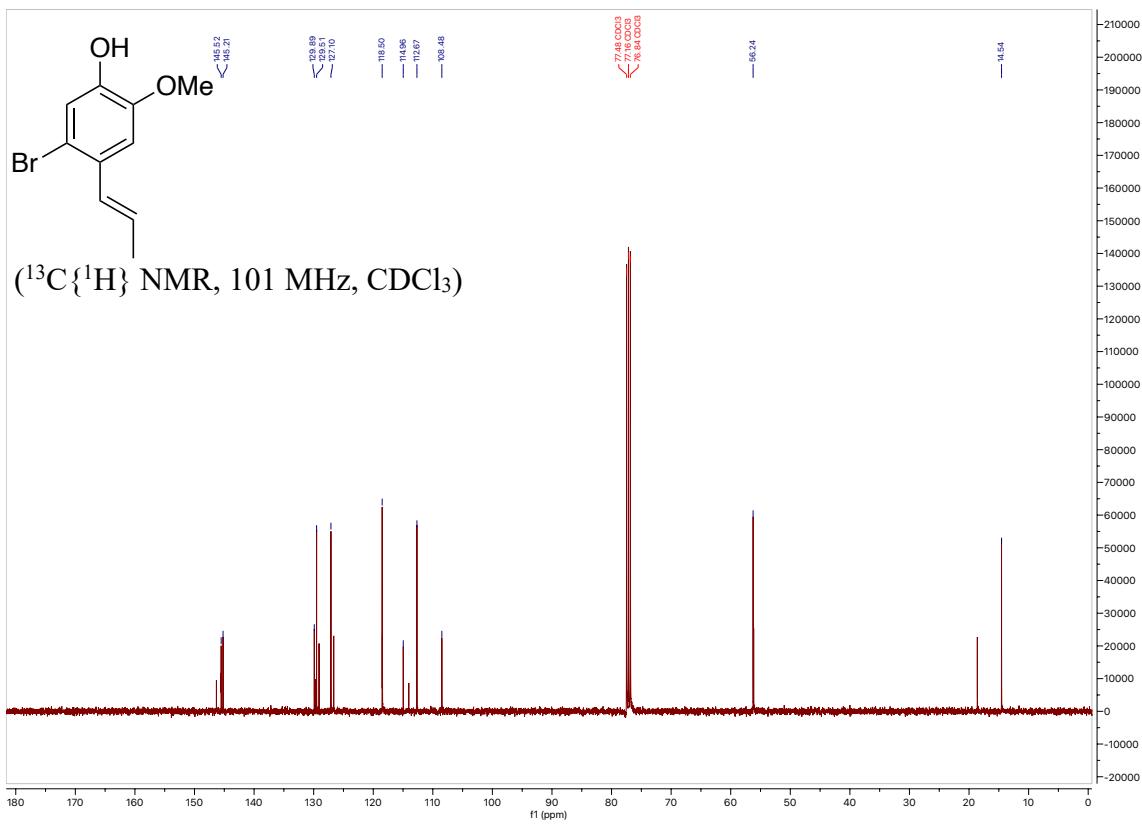
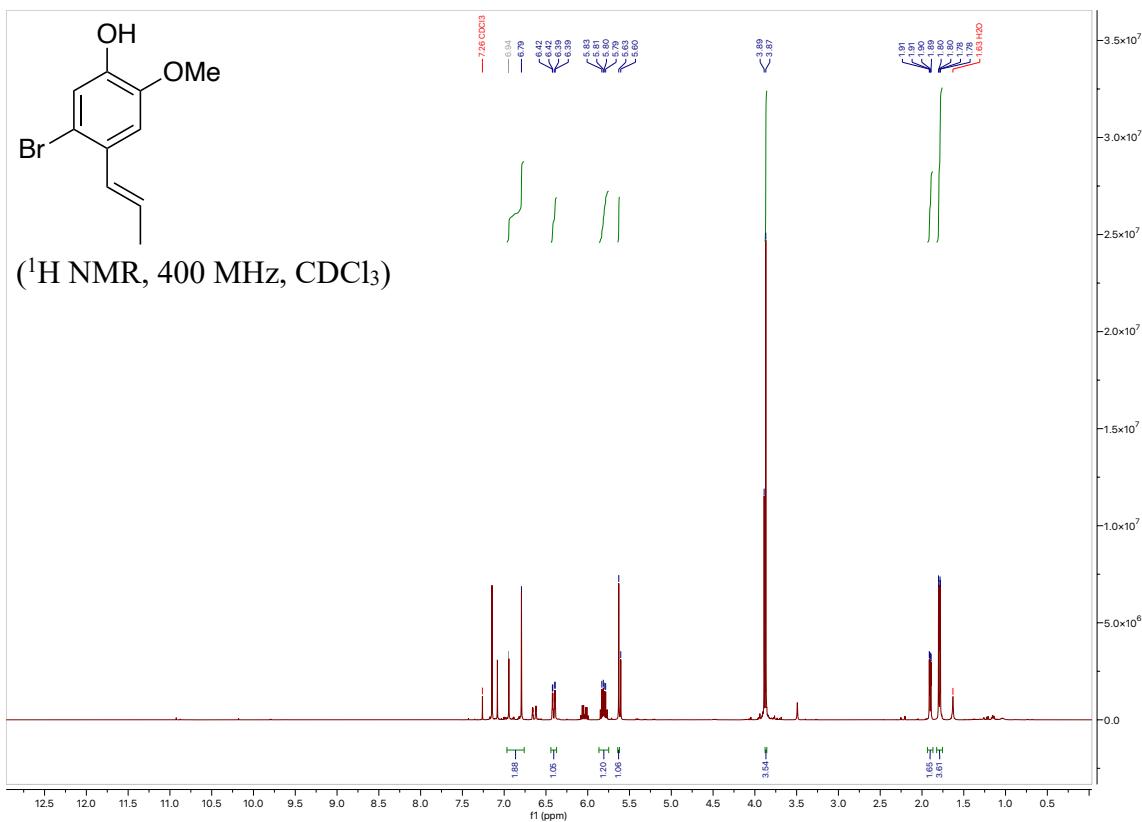
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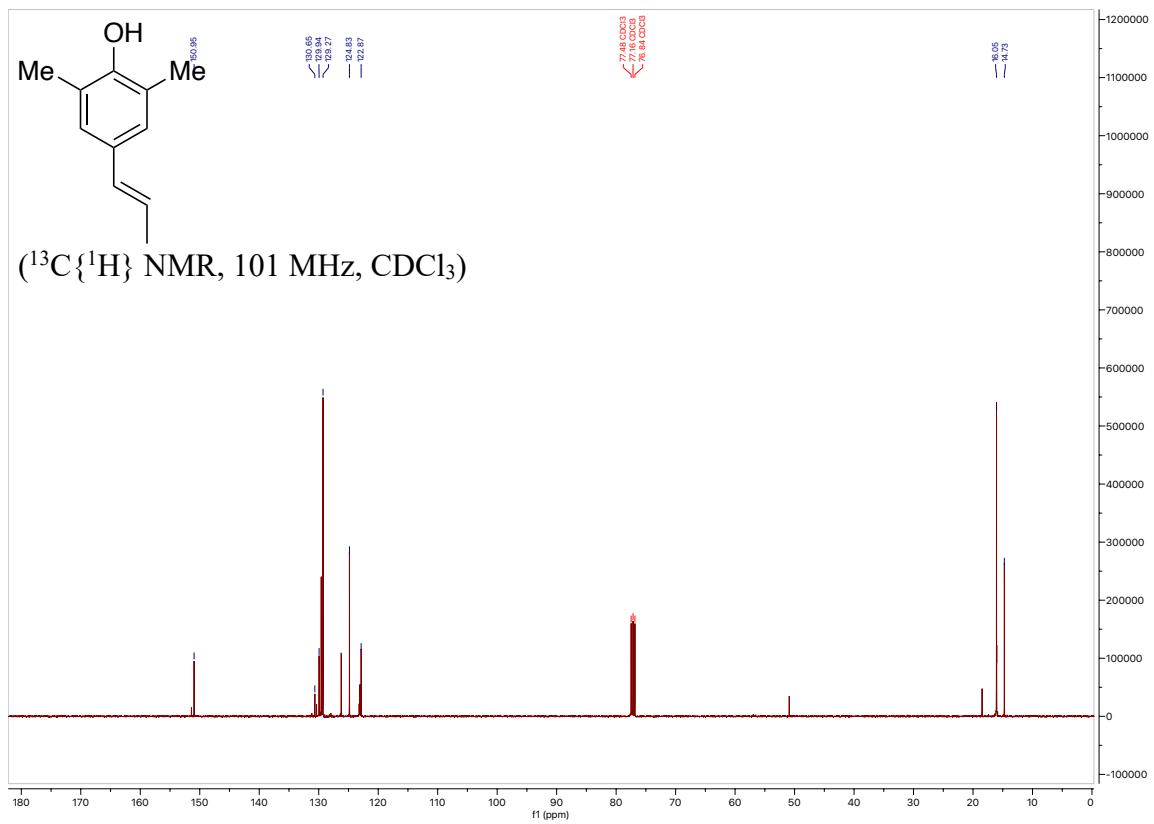
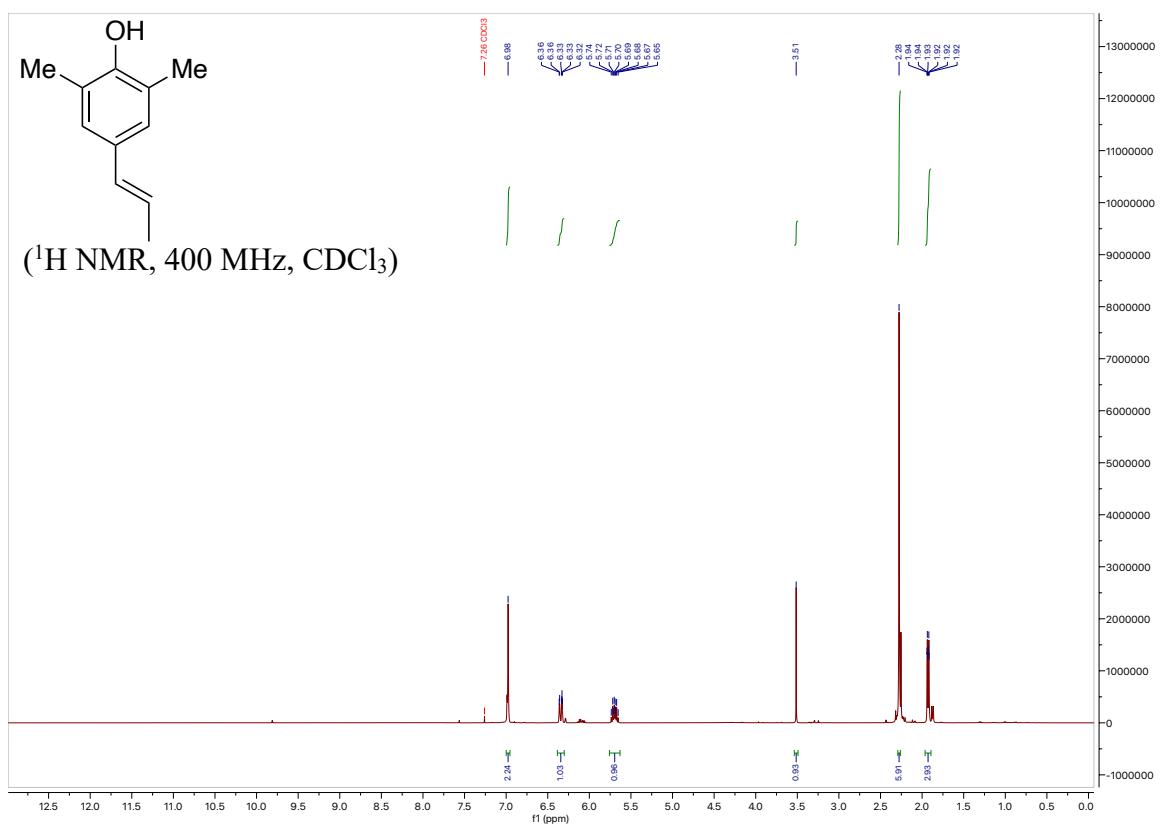


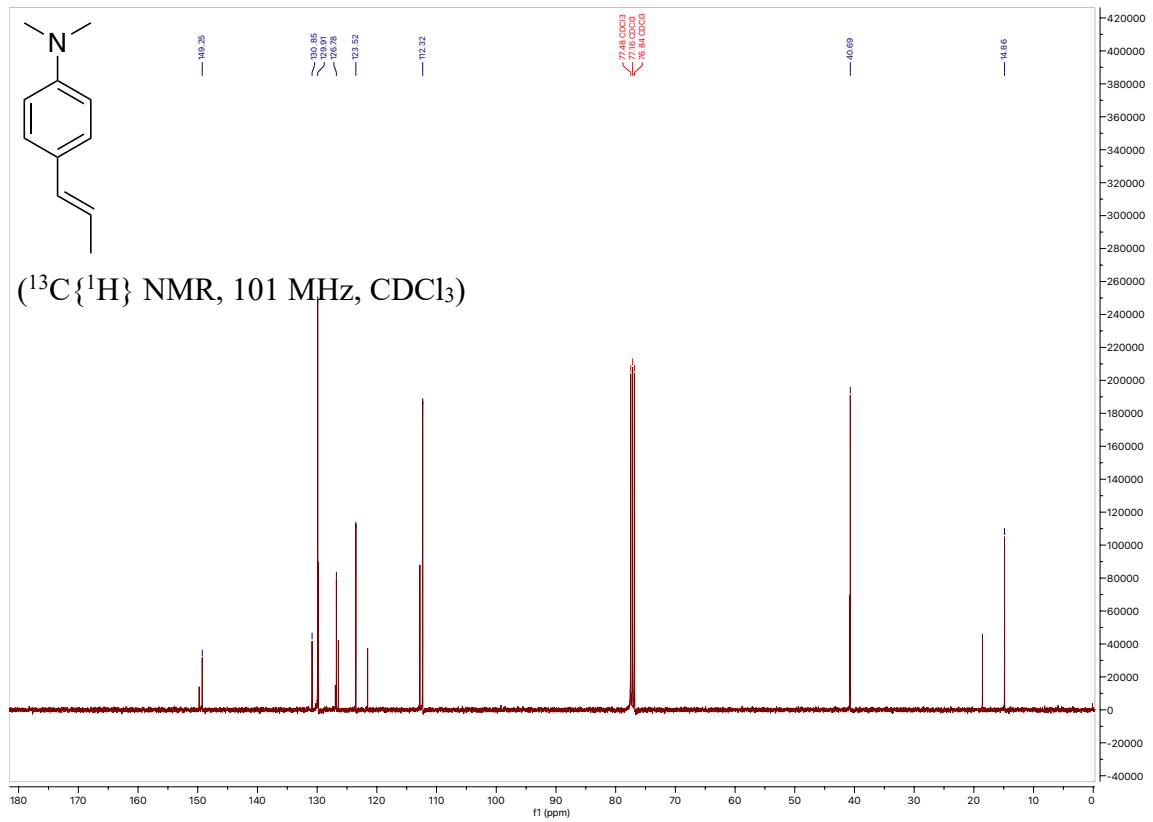
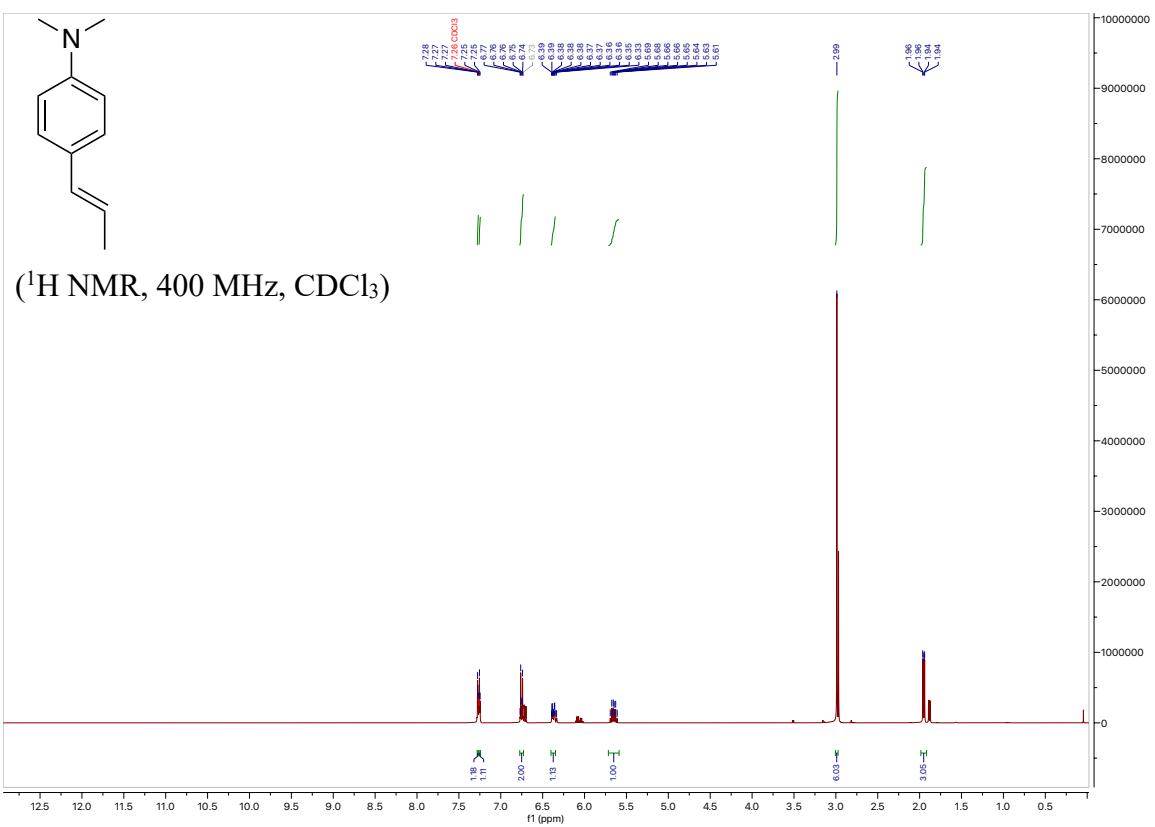
UB3LYP-D3/6-31G(d,p)
Zero-point correction= 0.377721 (Hartree/Particle)
Thermal correction to Energy= 0.401949
Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.402893
Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.320068
Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies= -1075.879468
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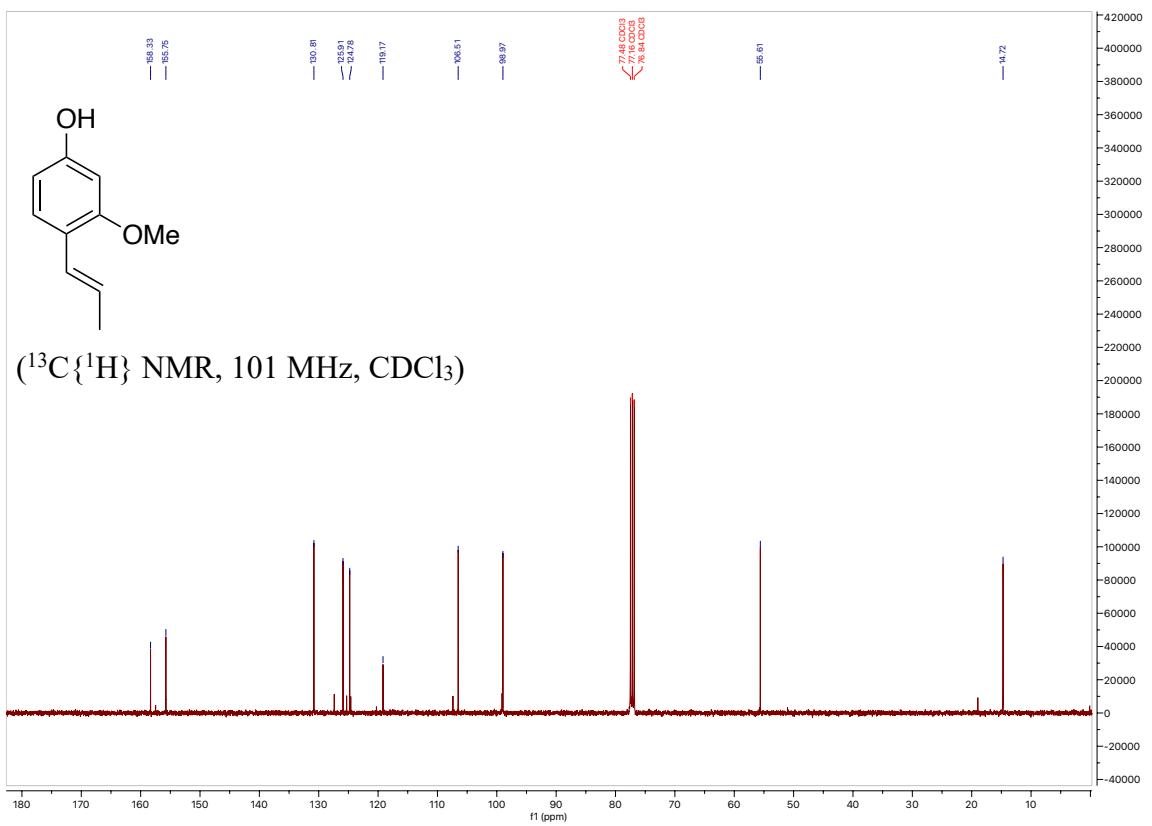
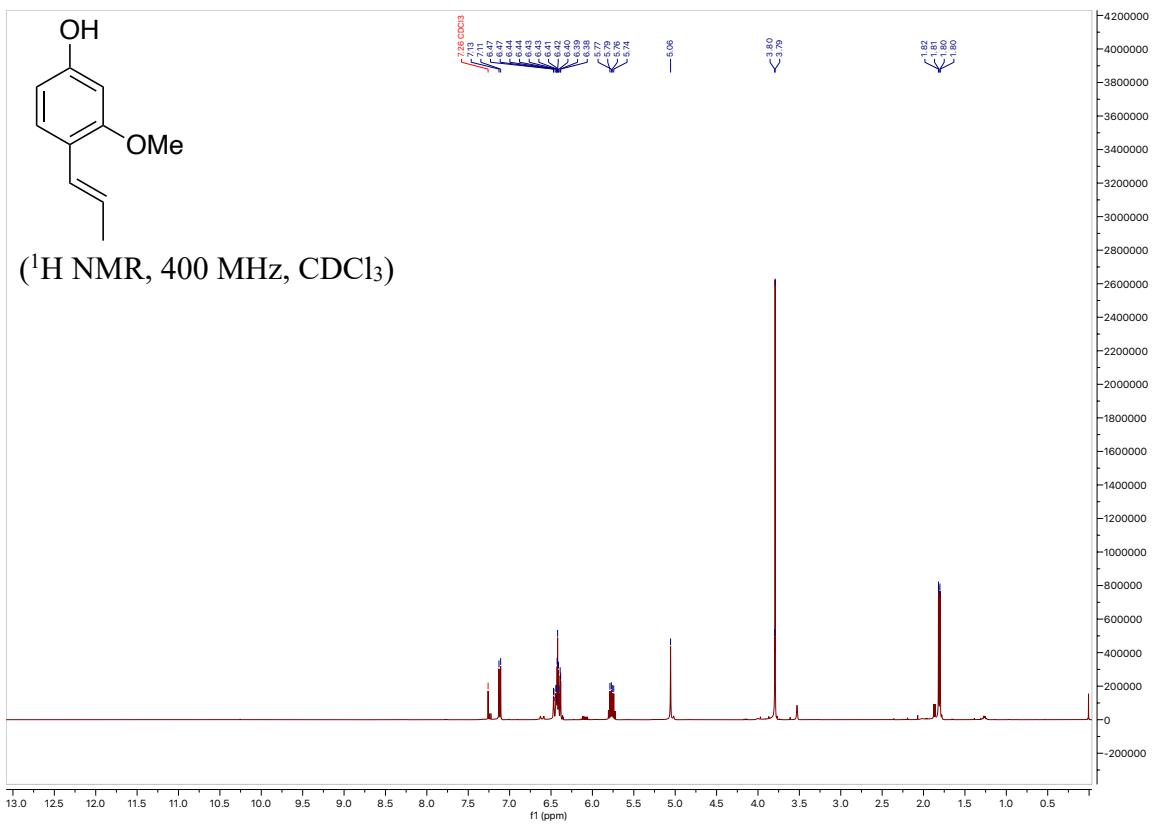
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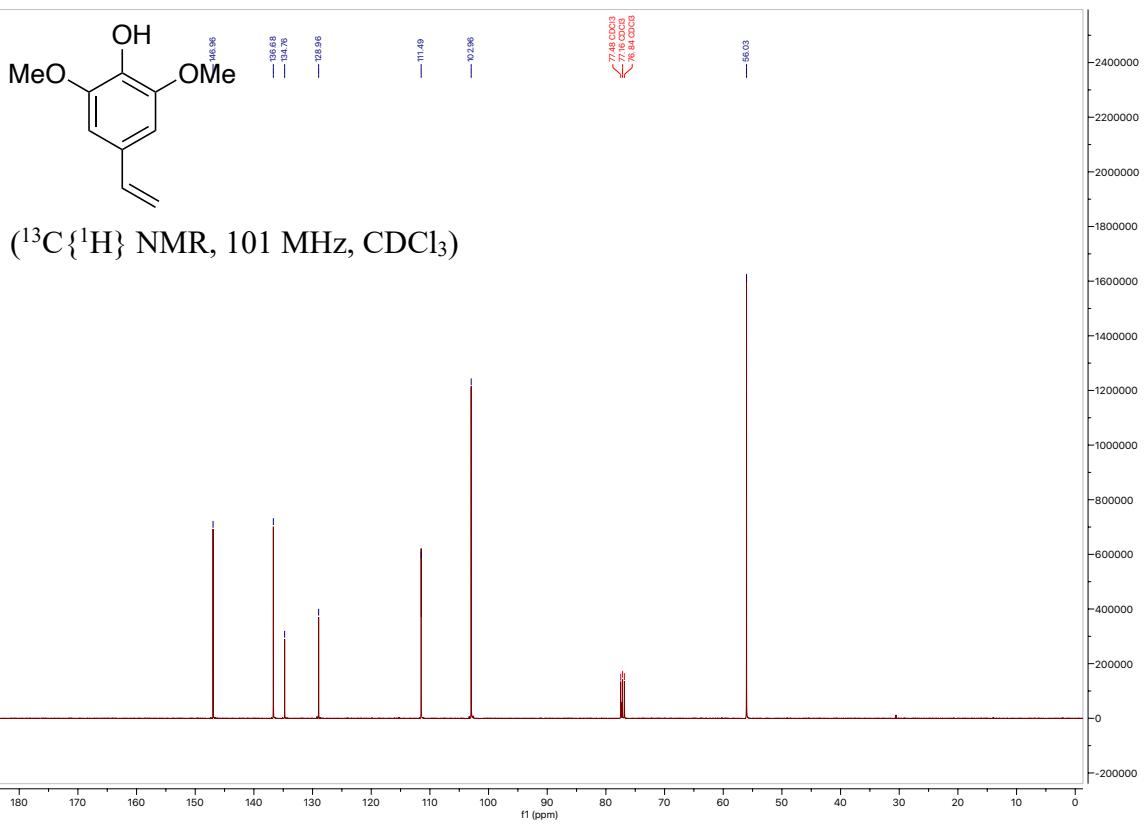
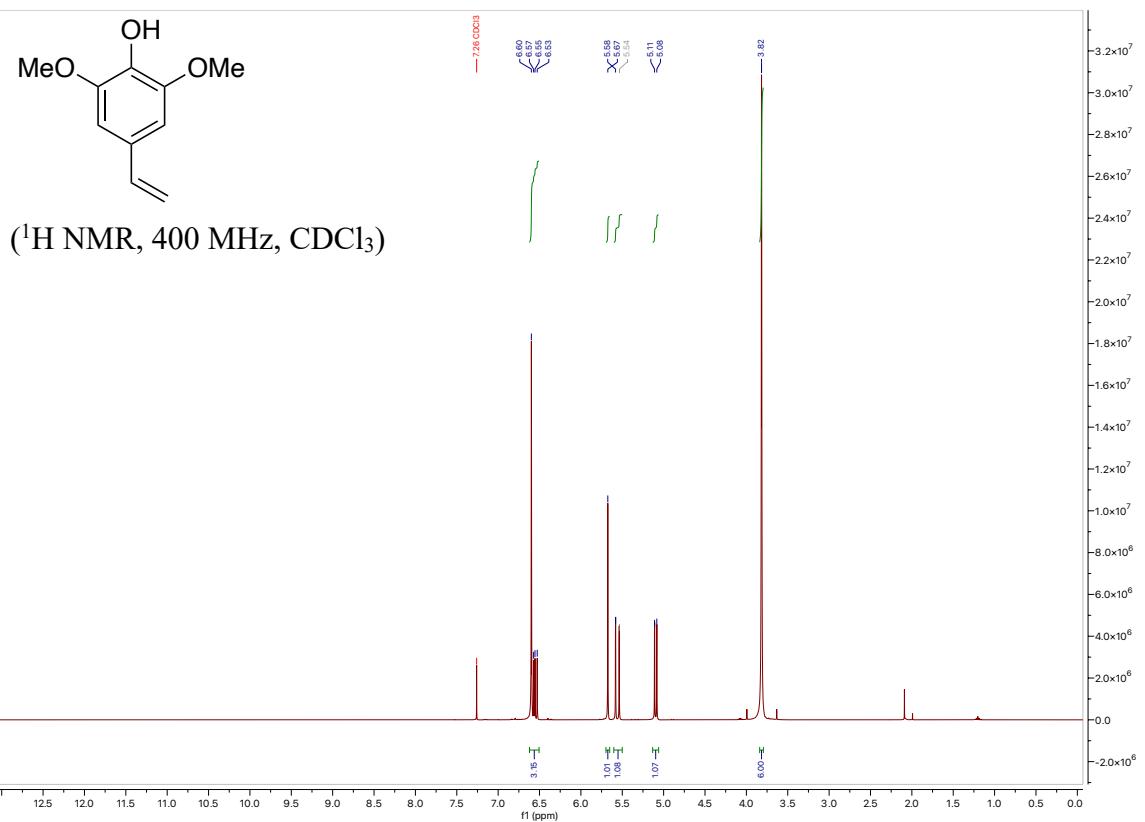


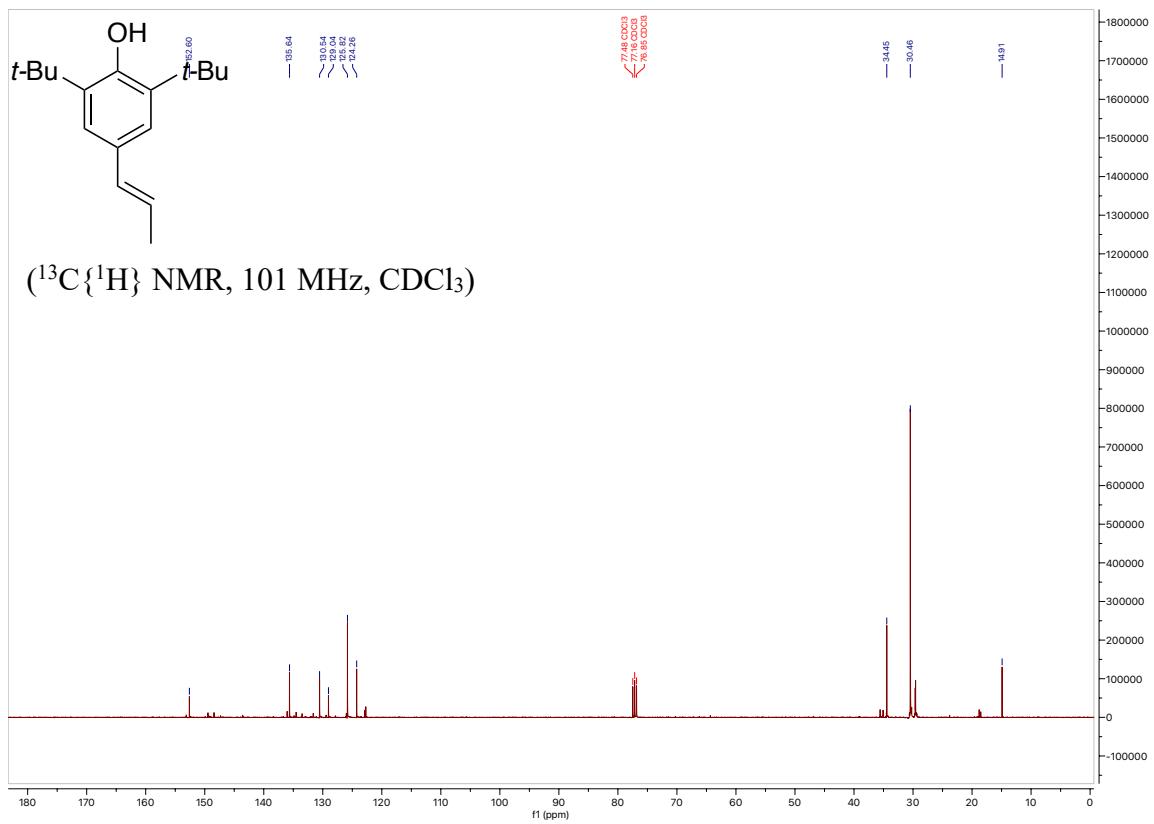
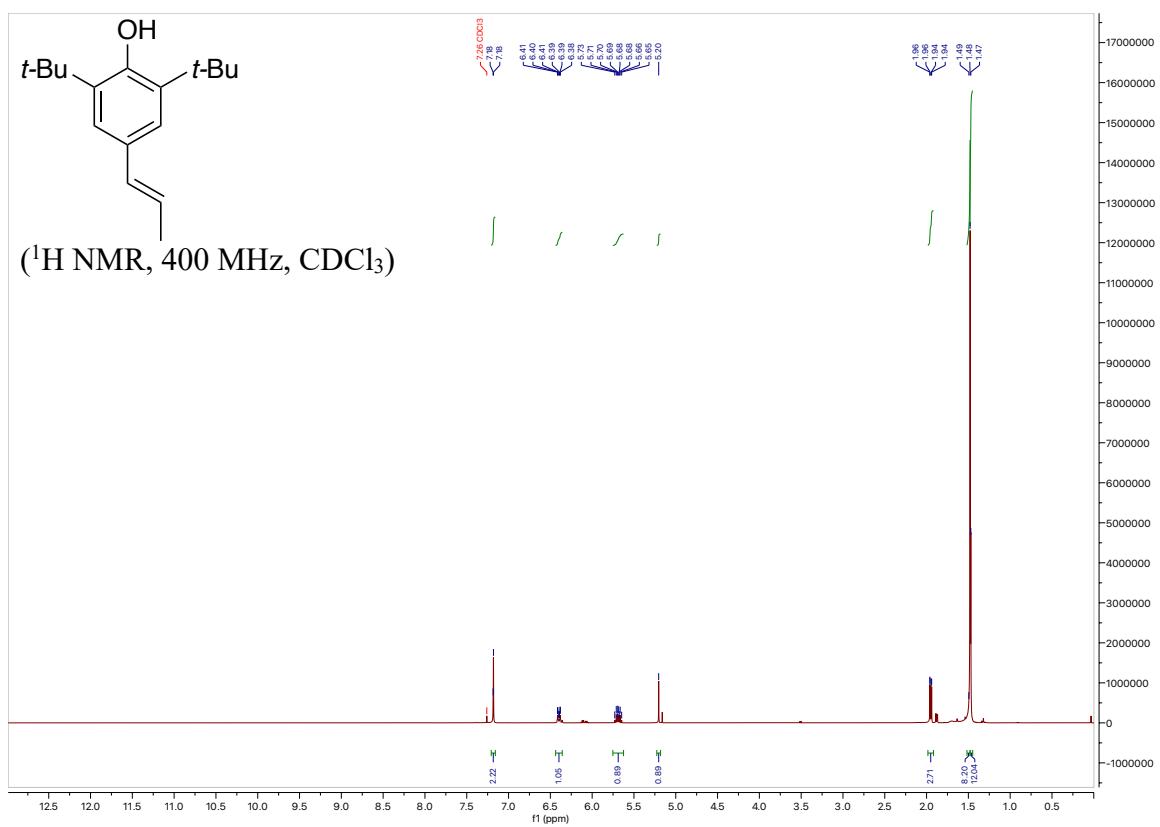


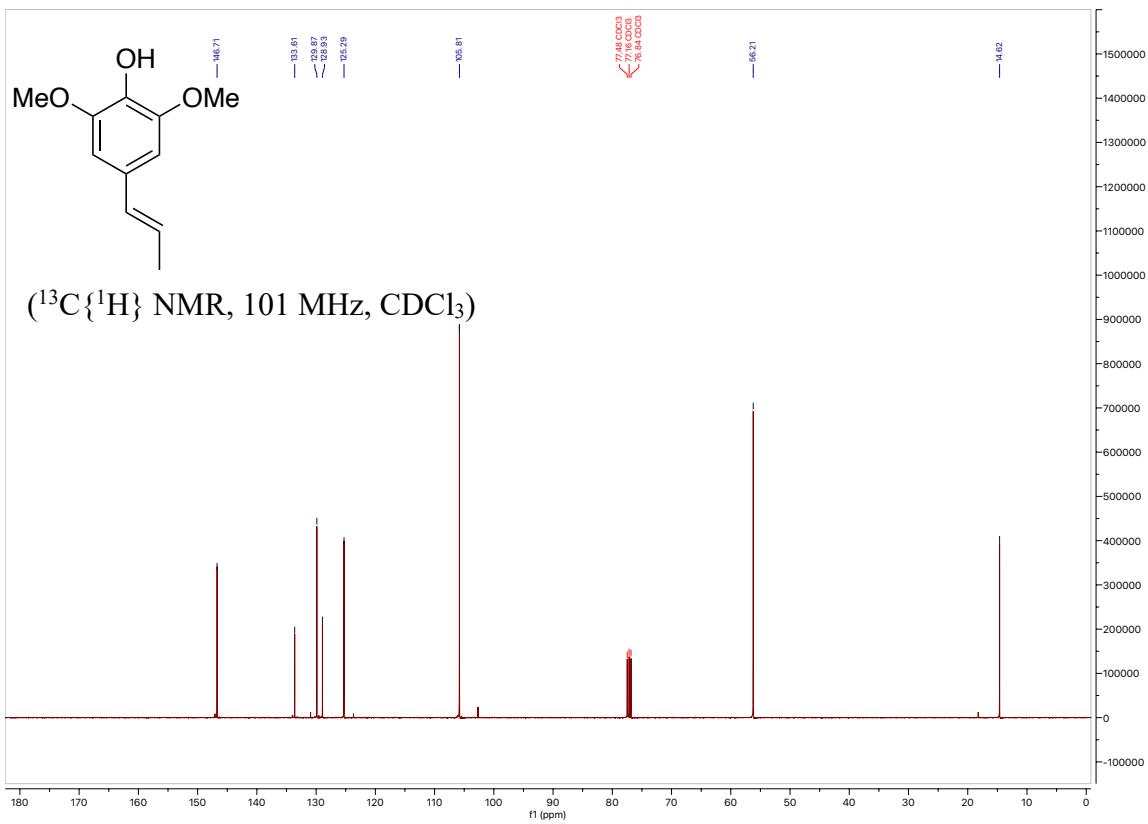
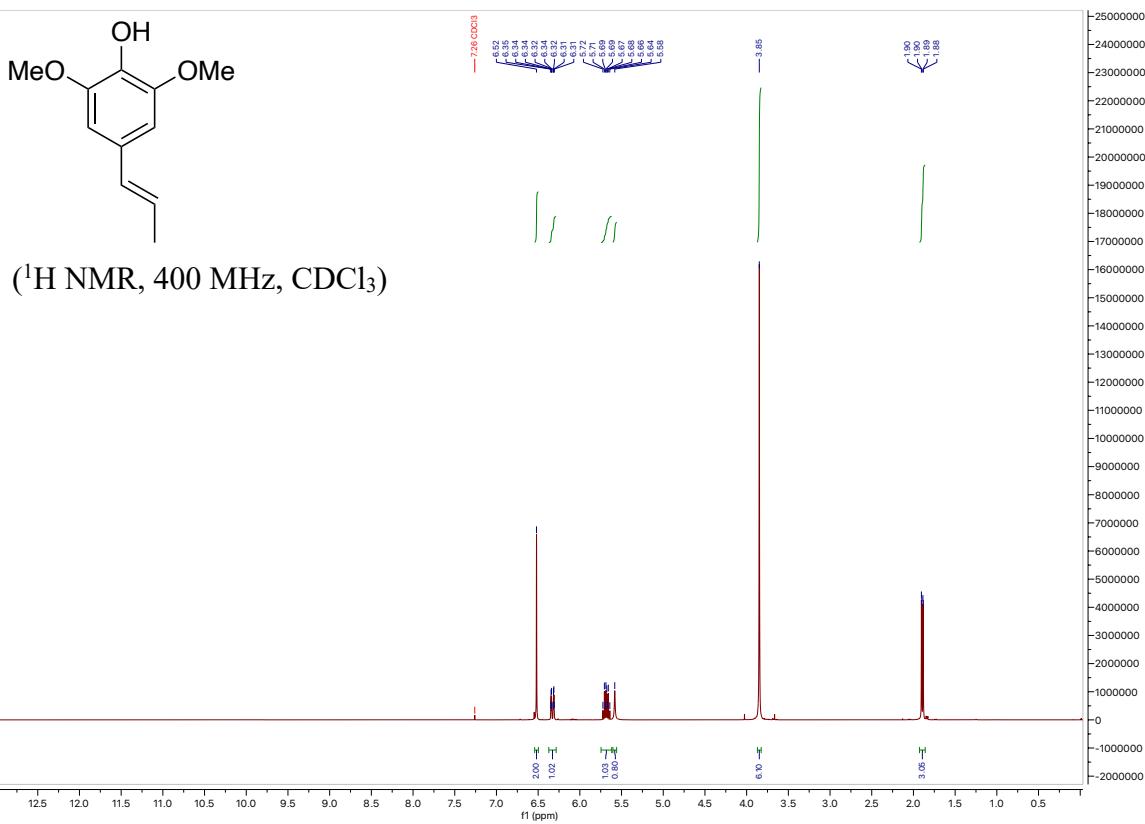


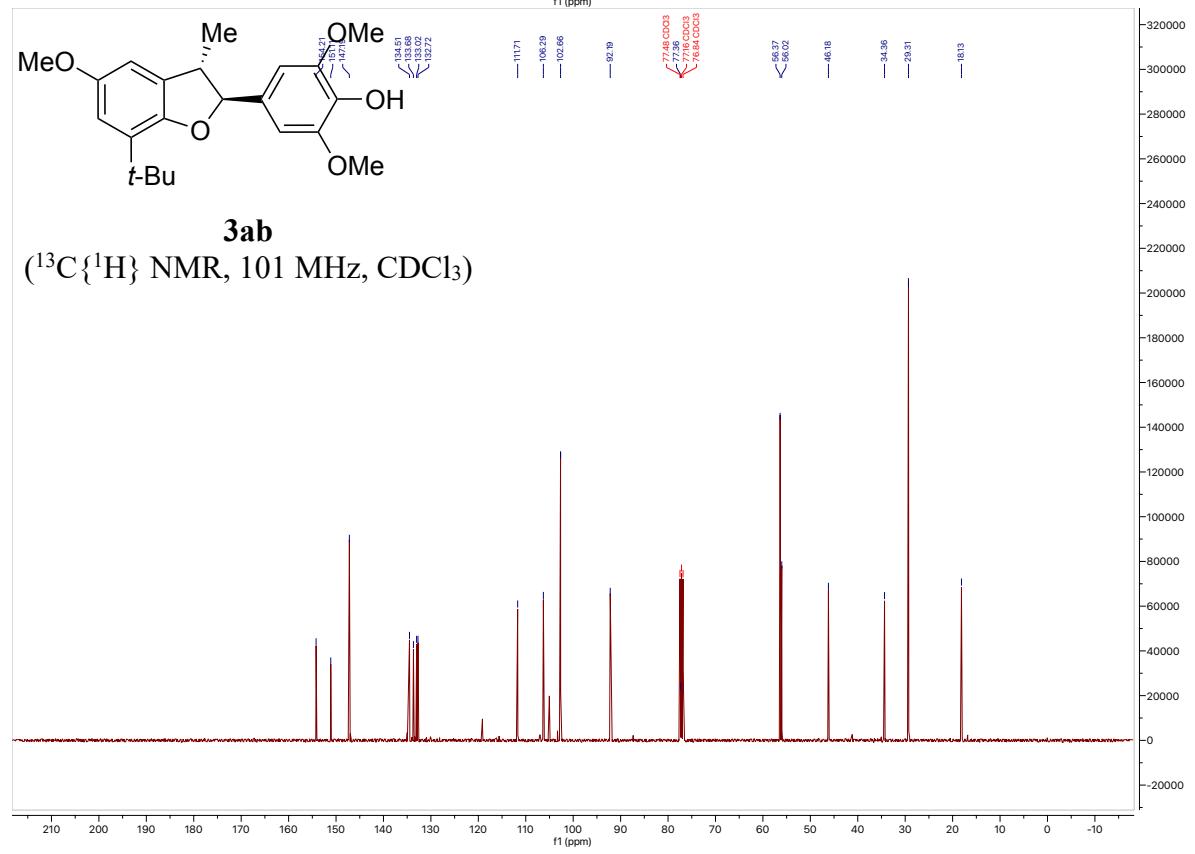
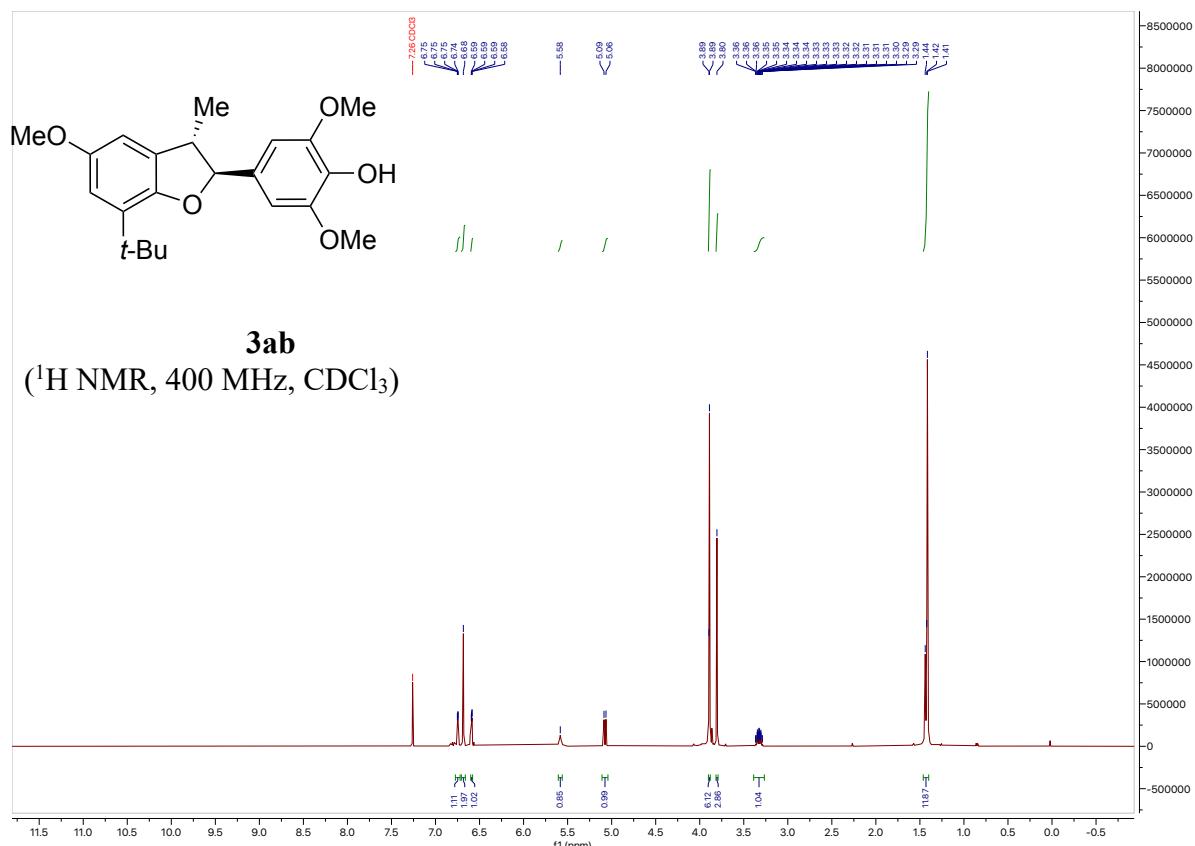


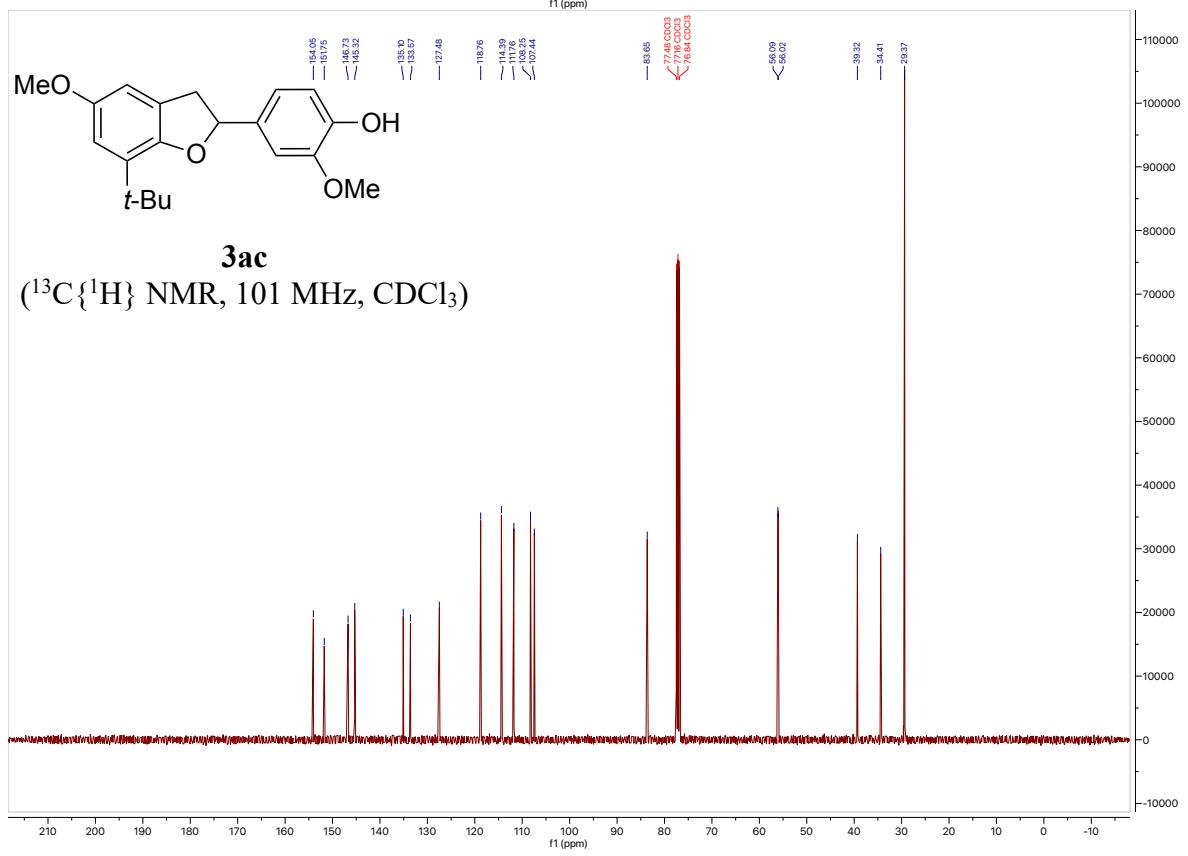
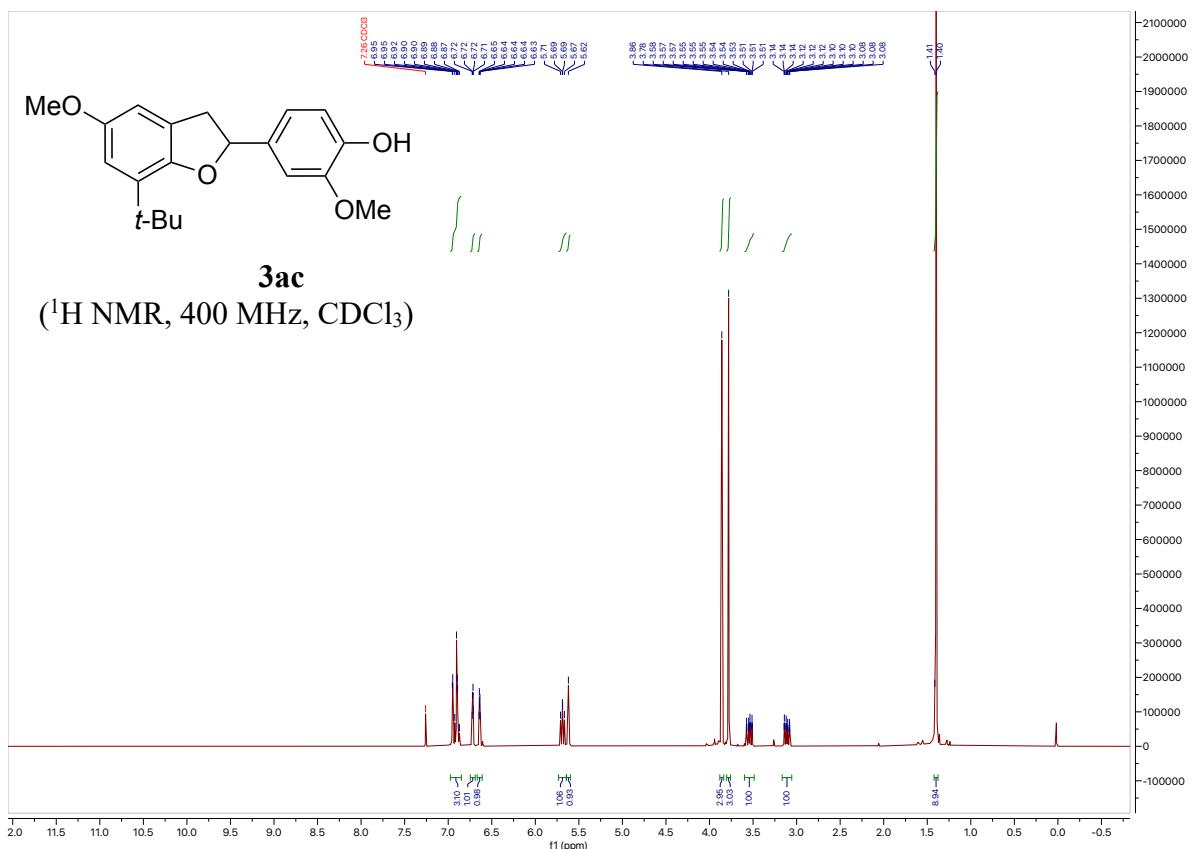


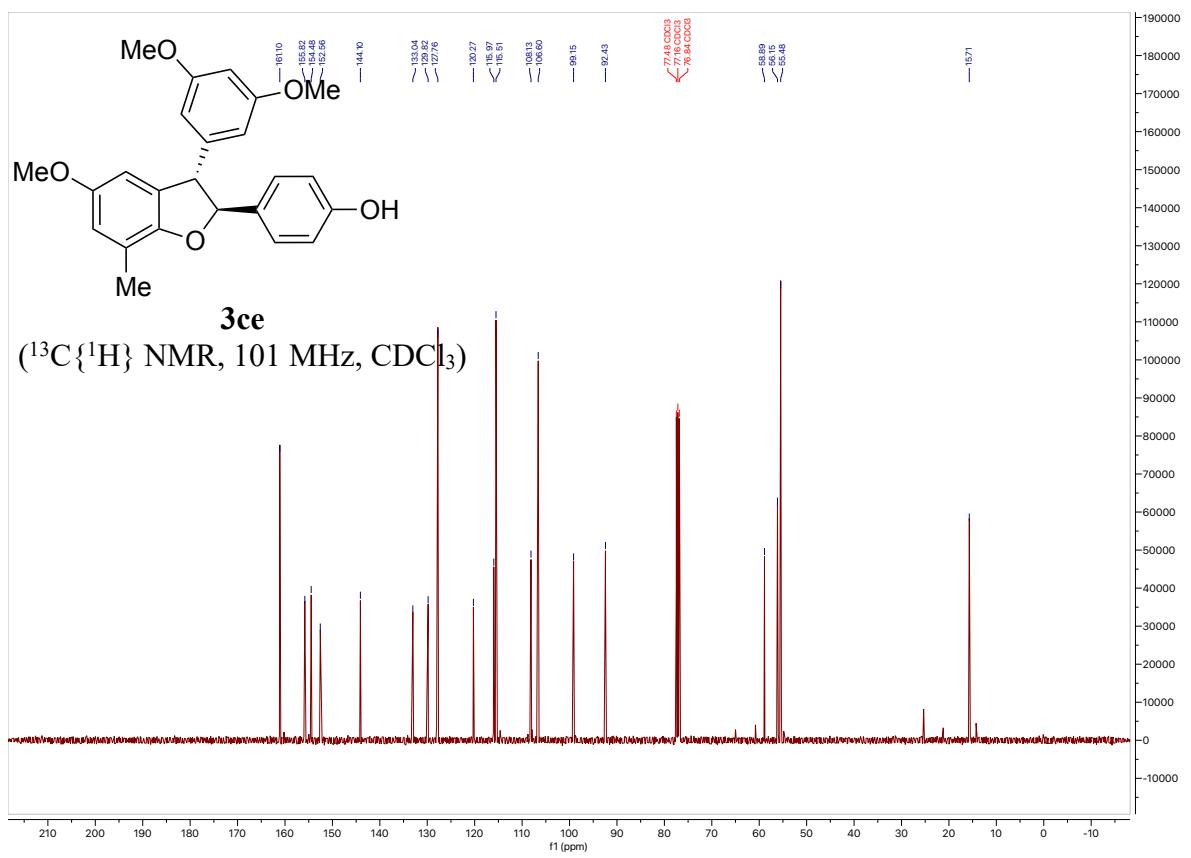
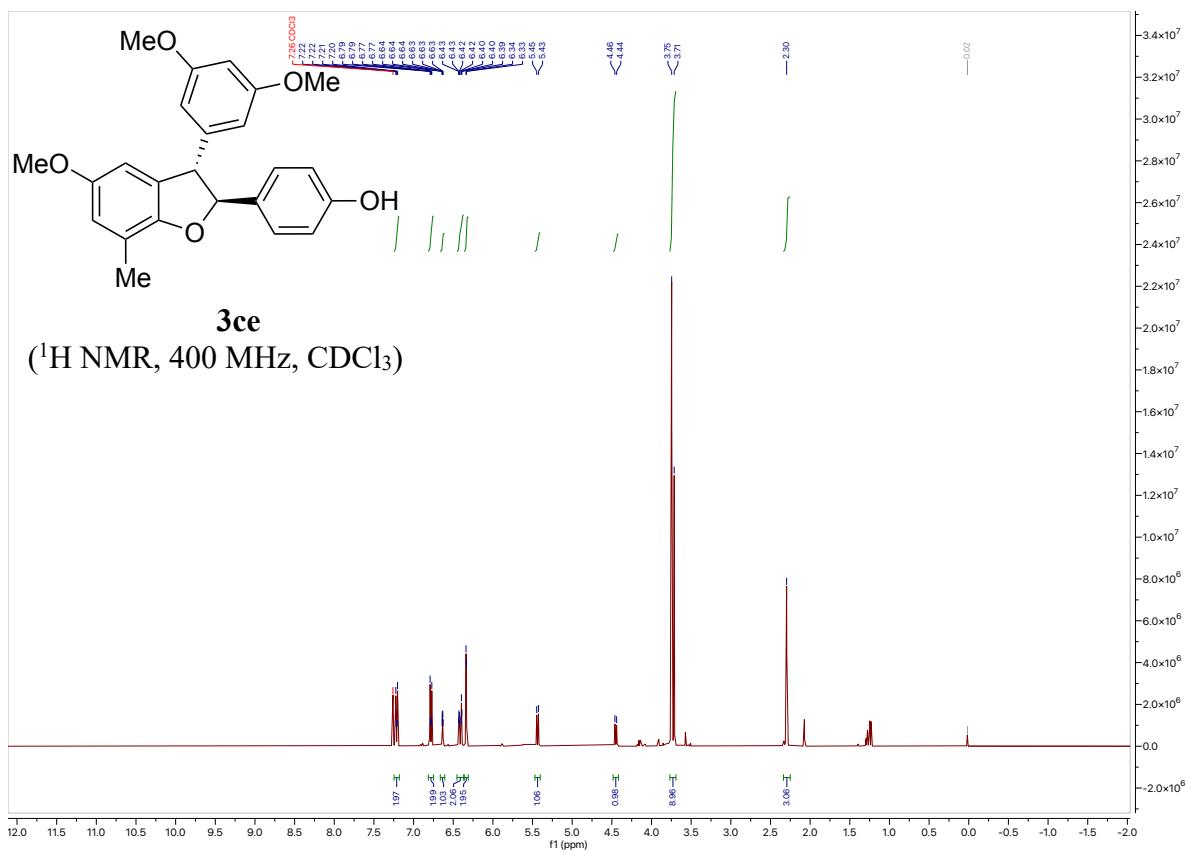


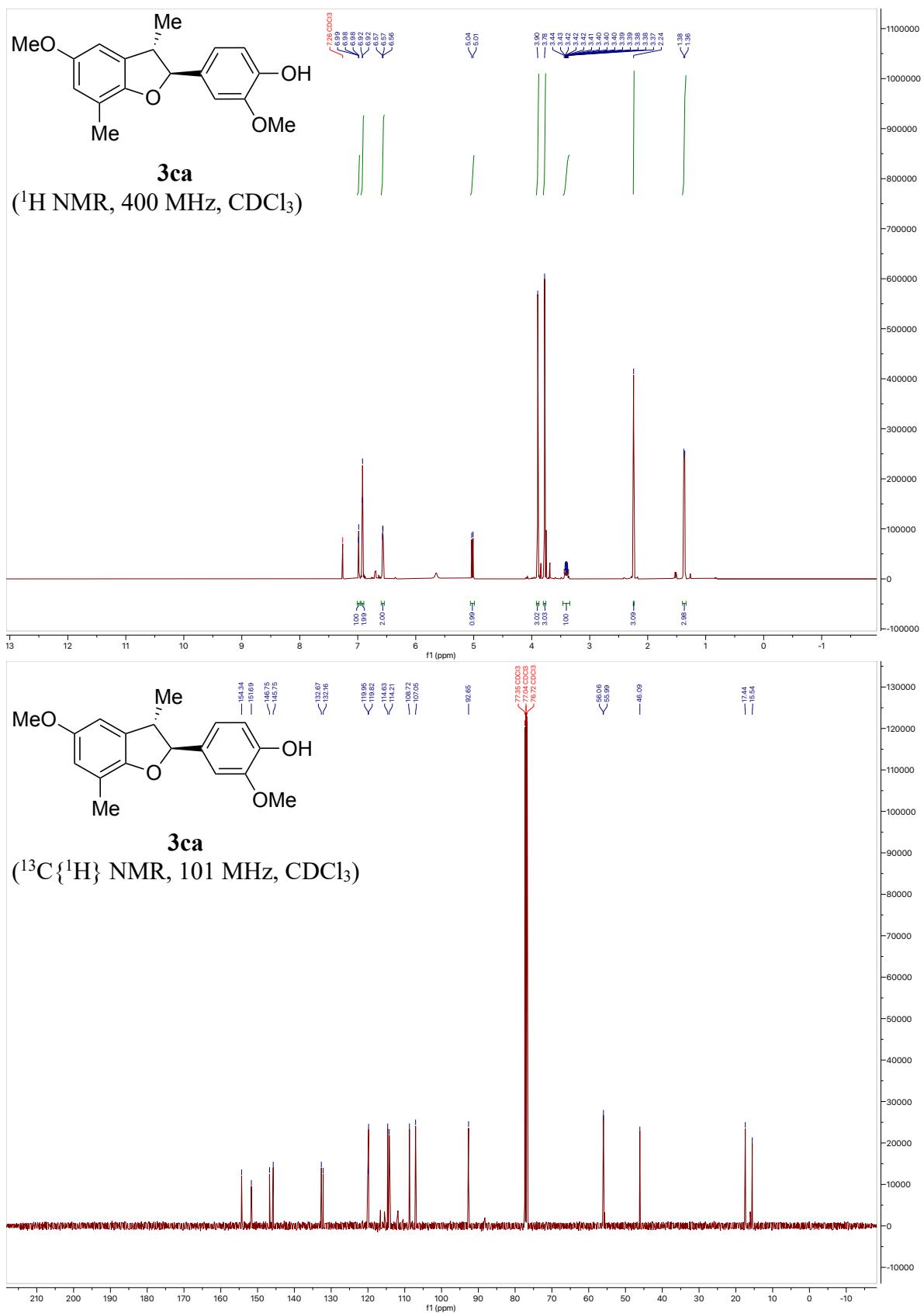


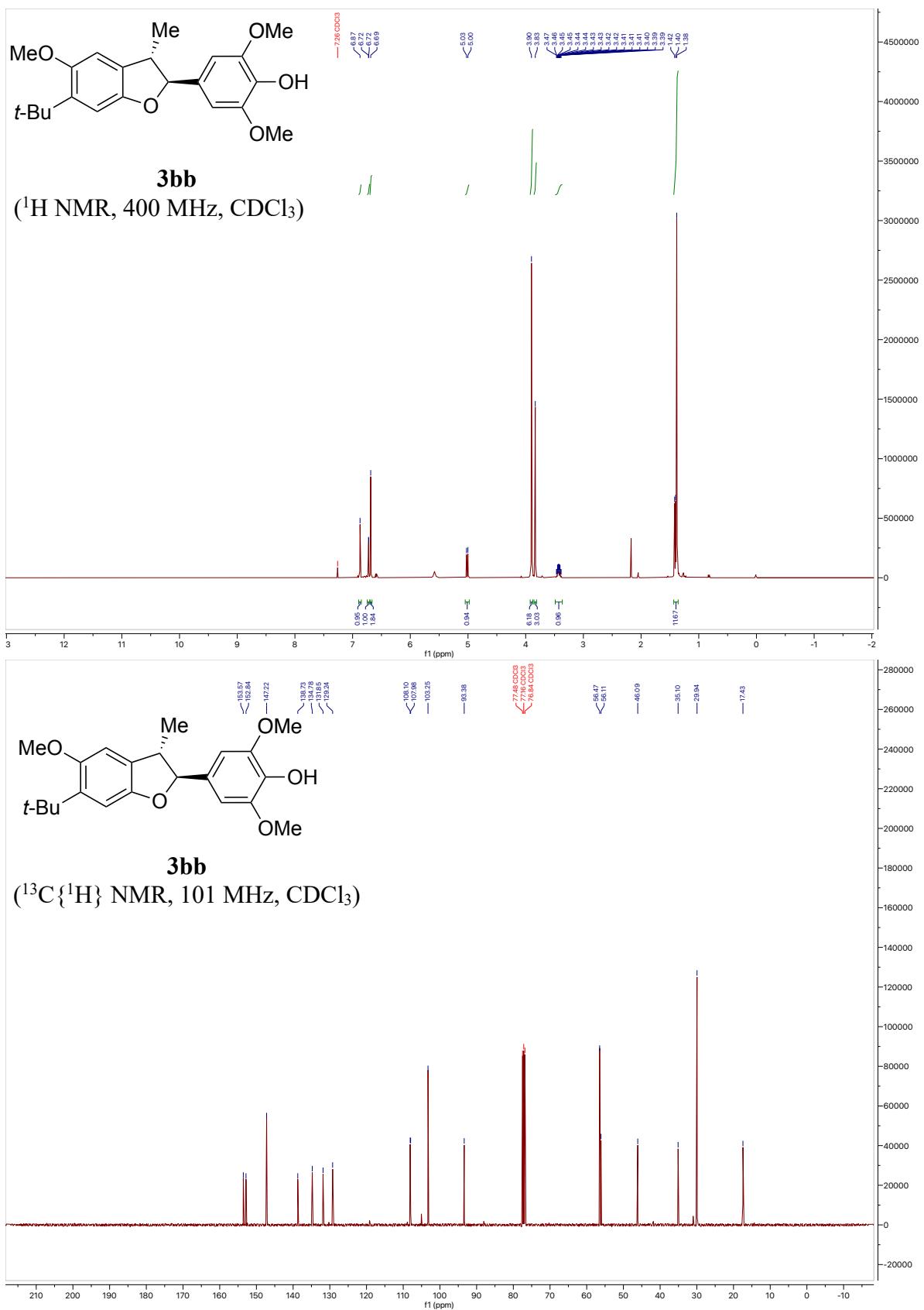


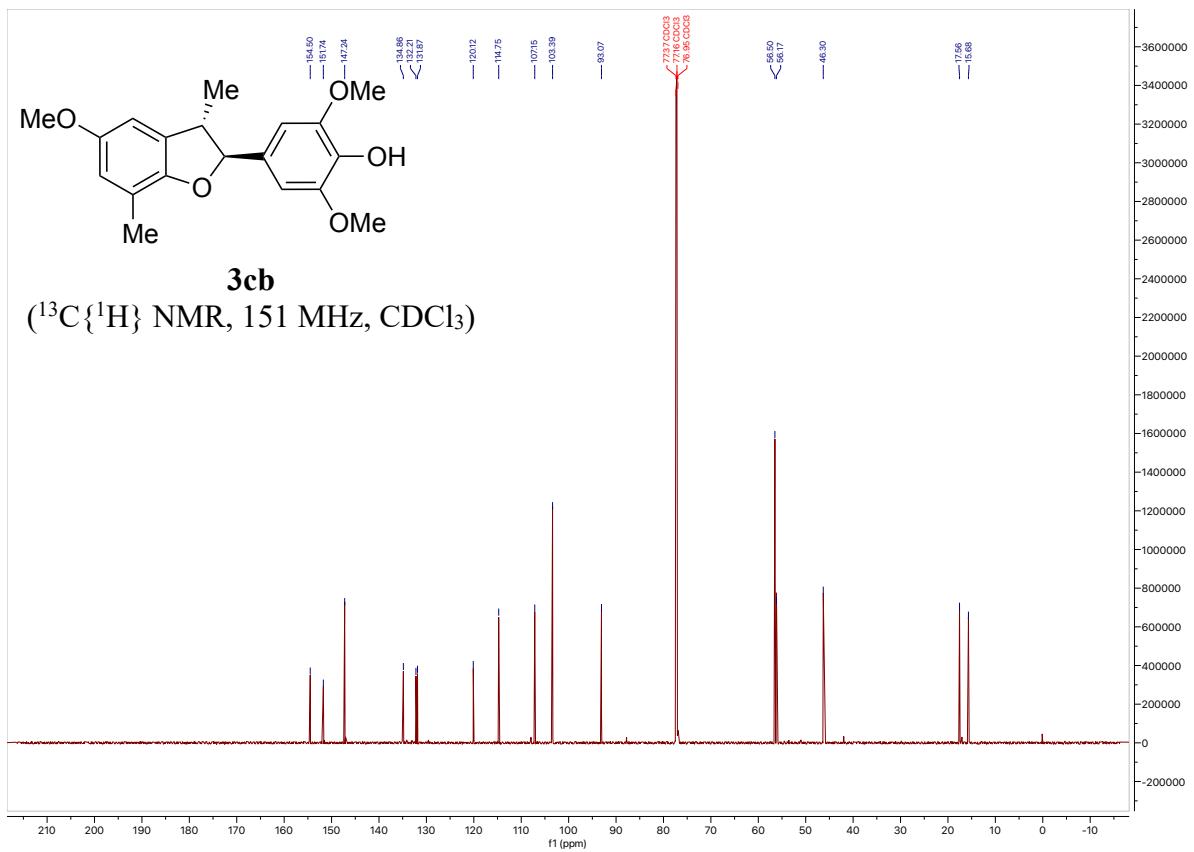
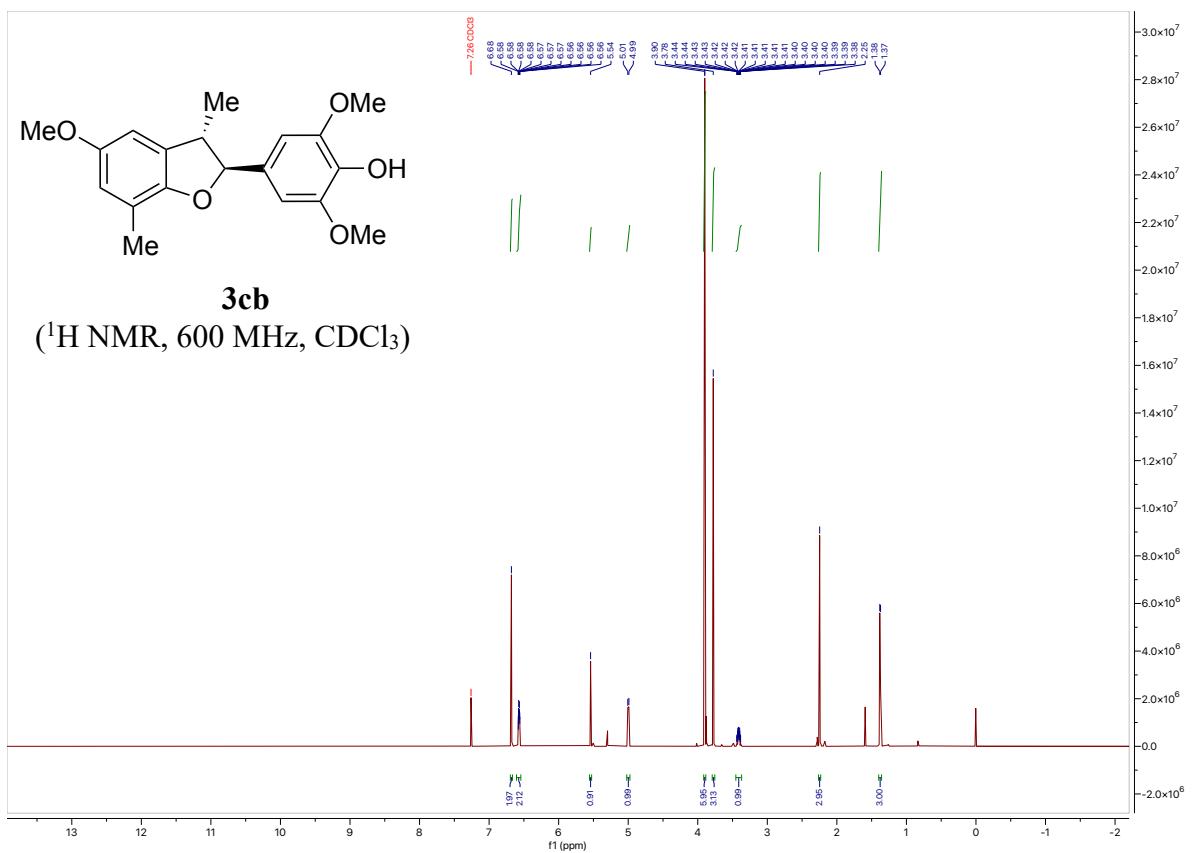


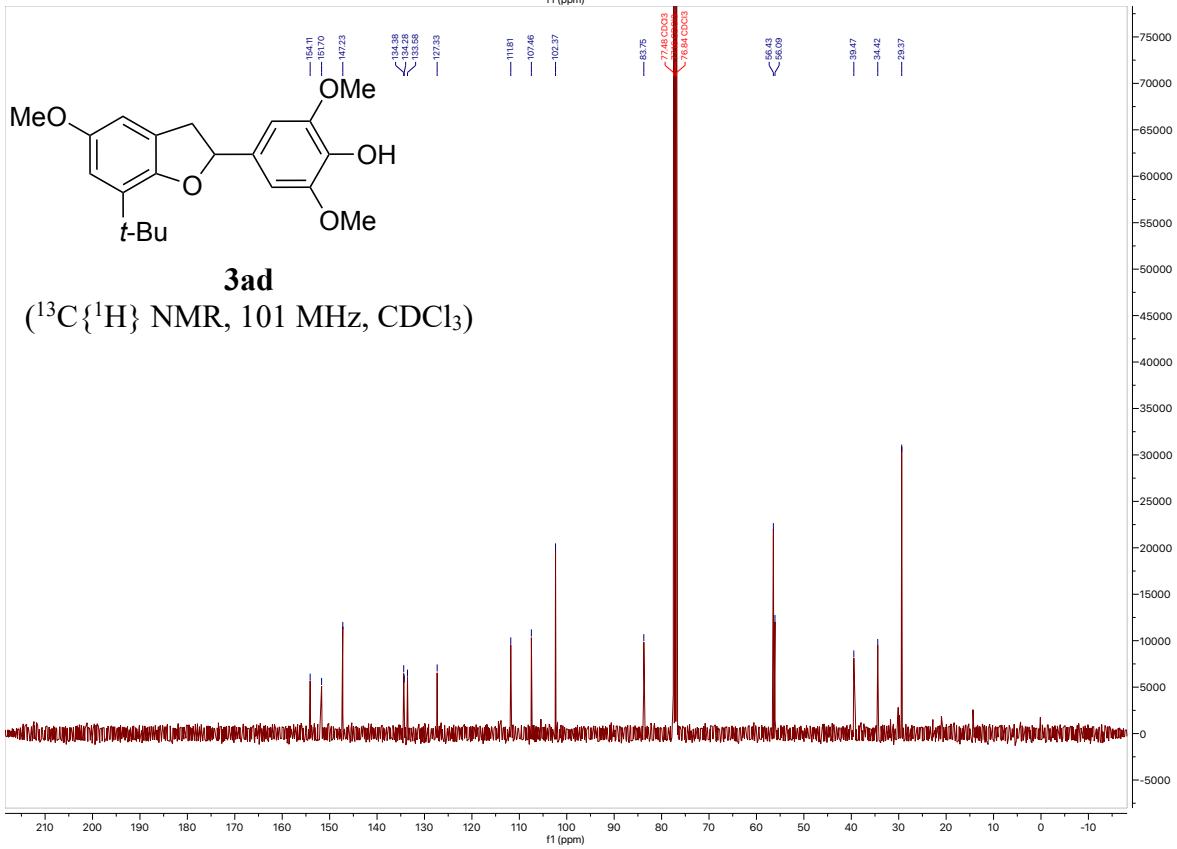
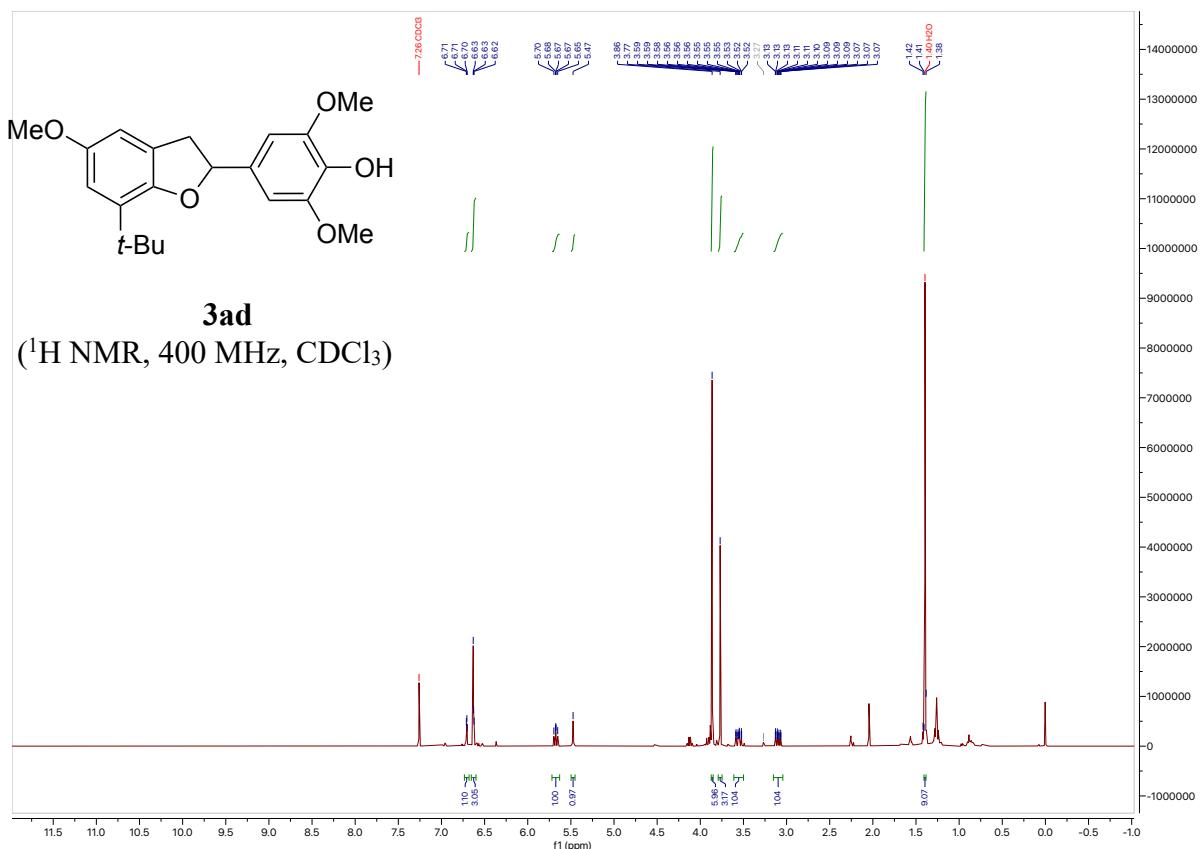


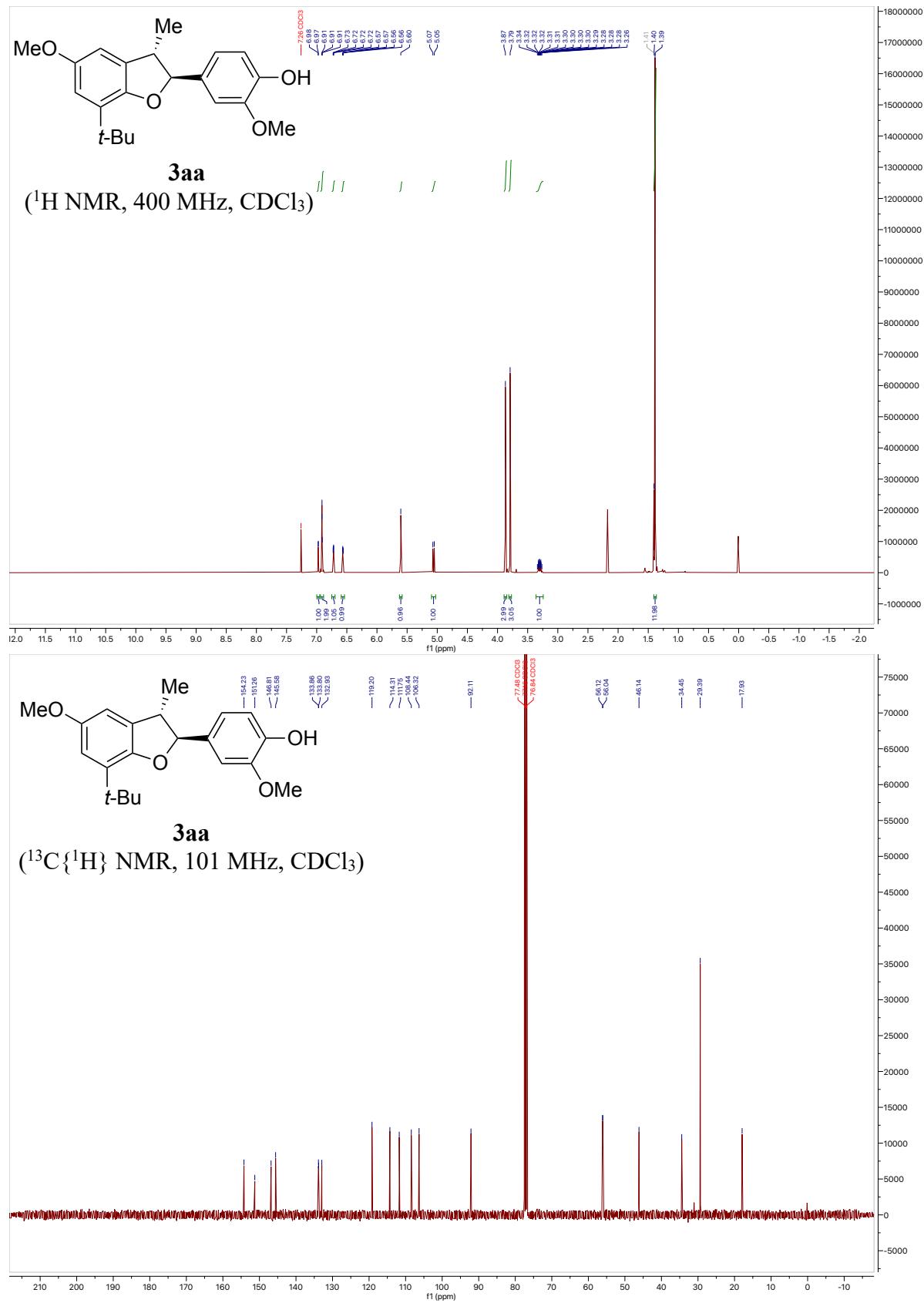


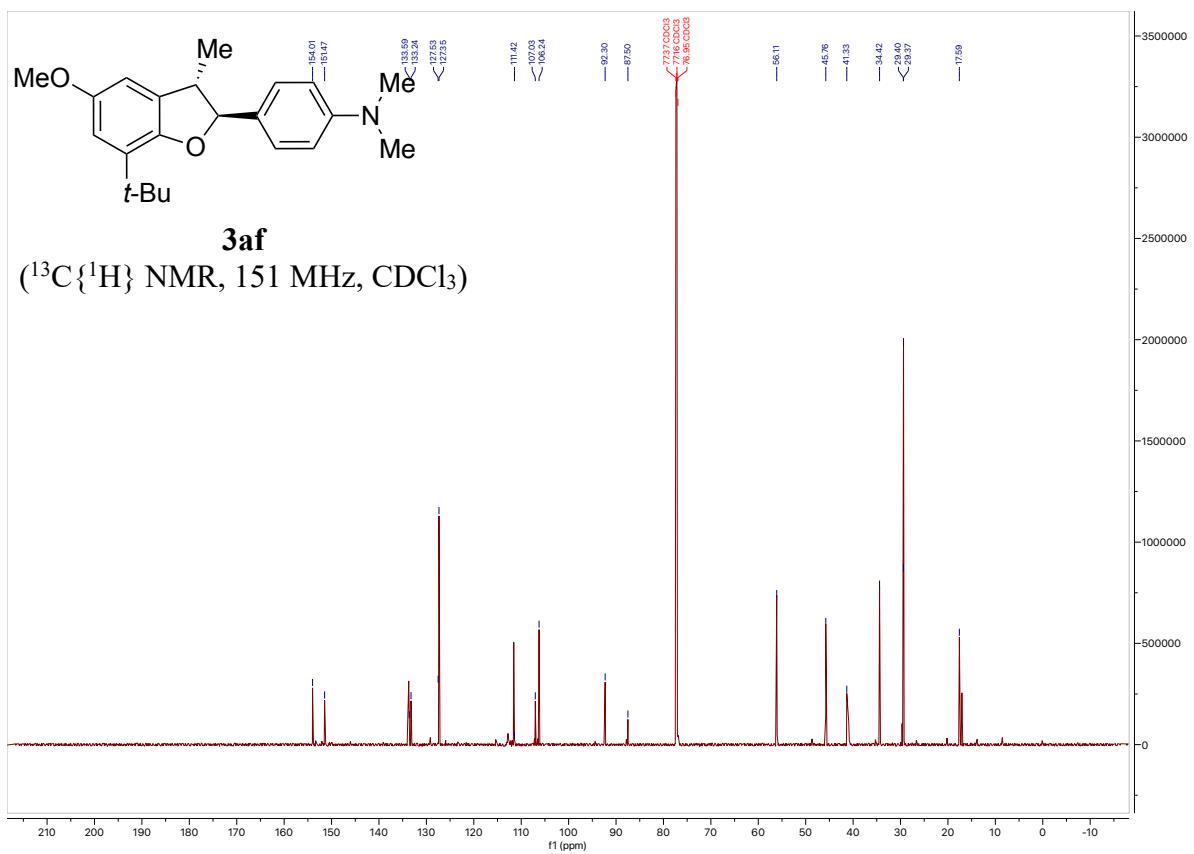
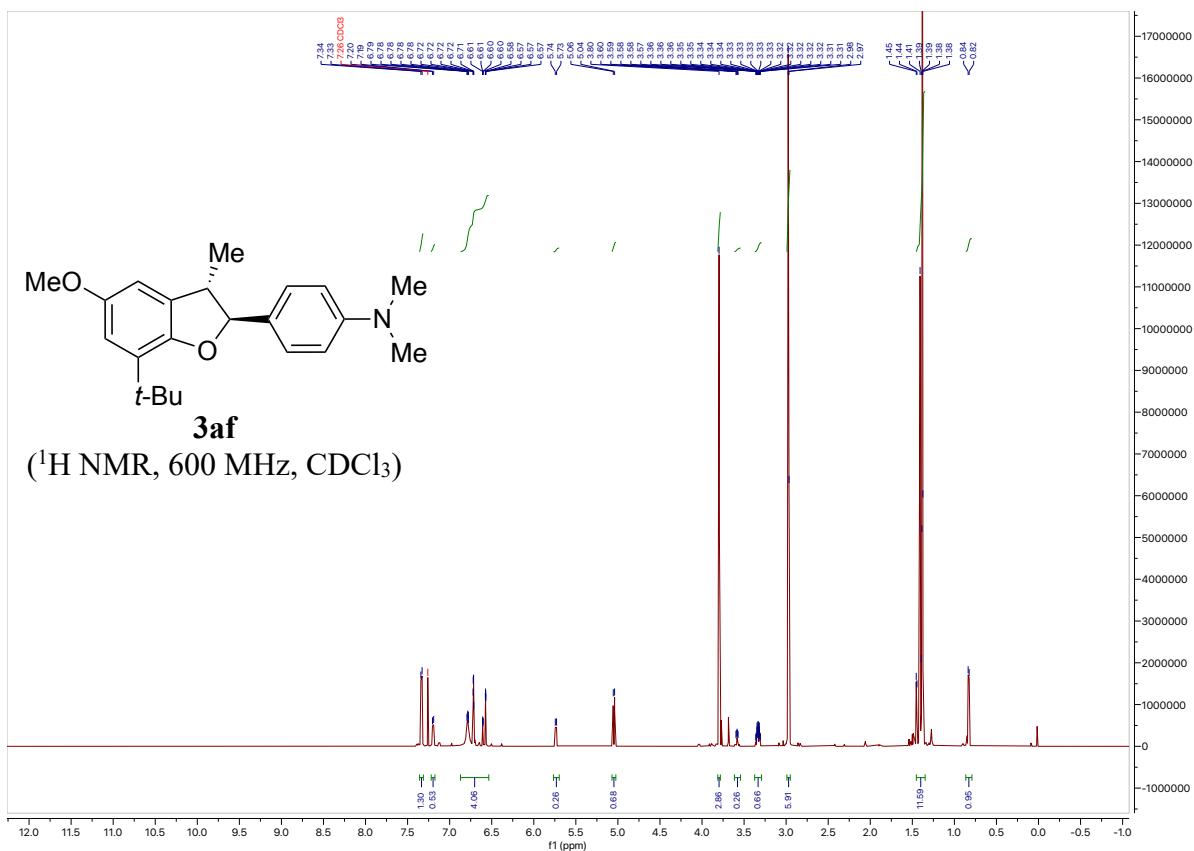


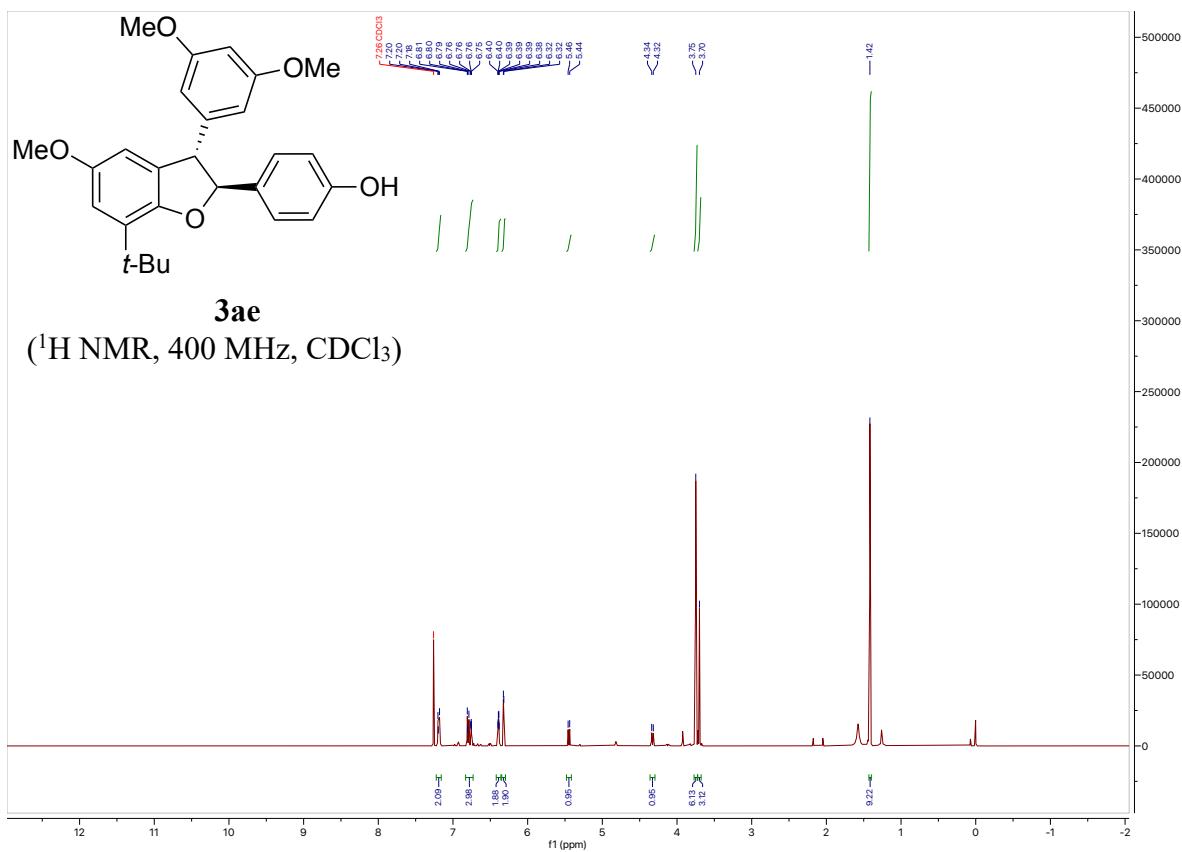


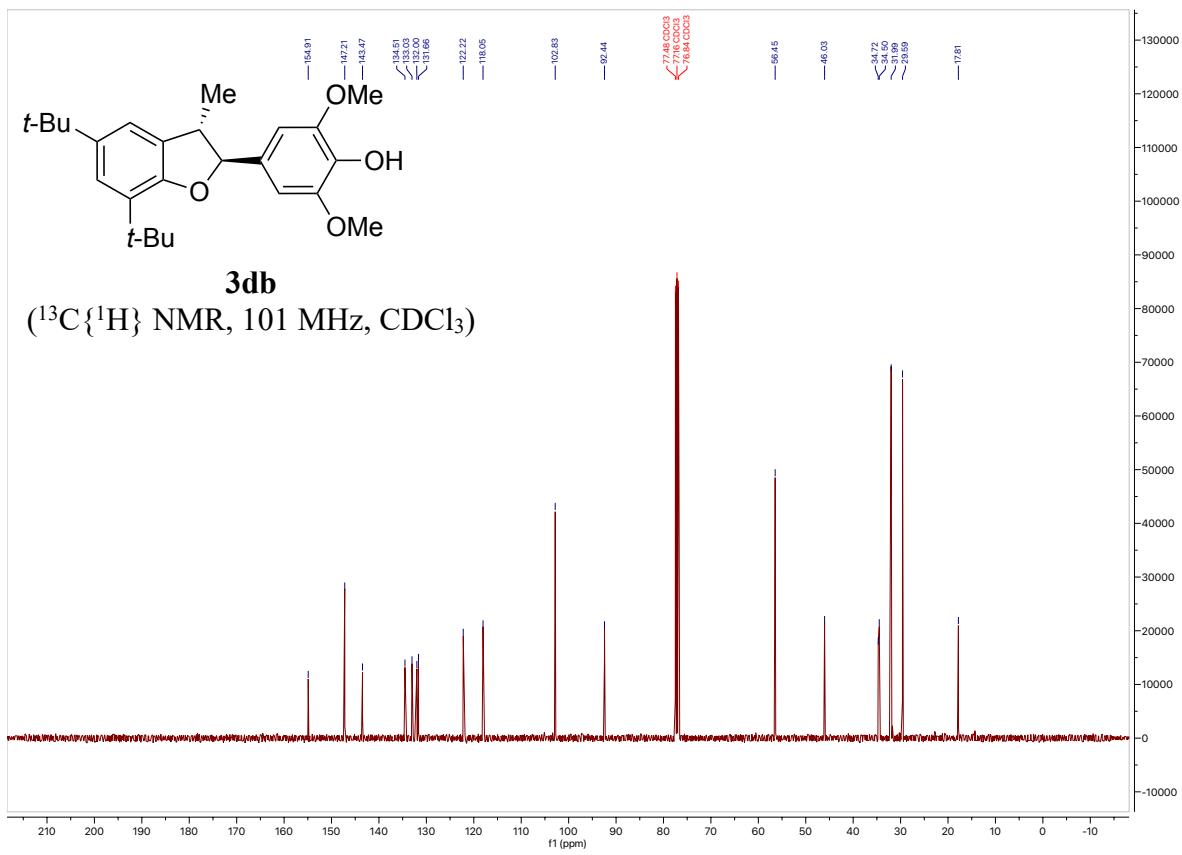
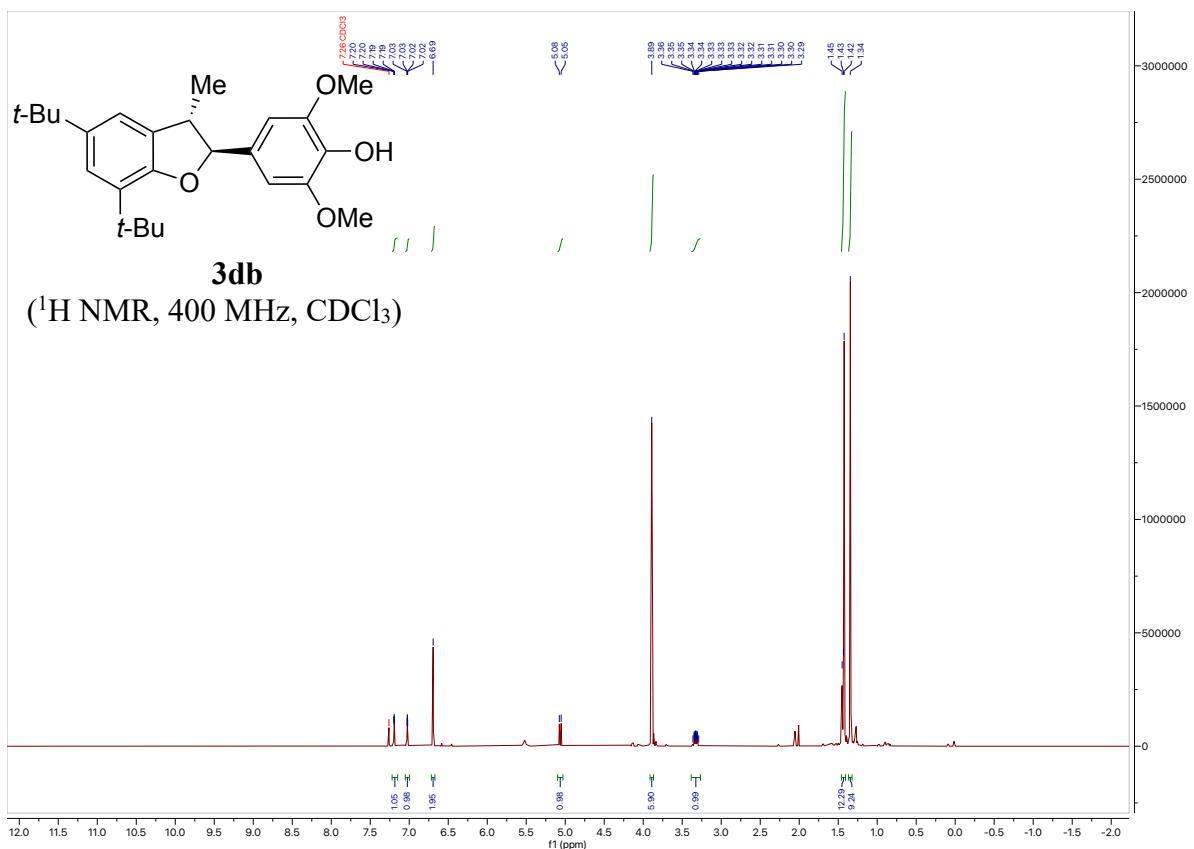


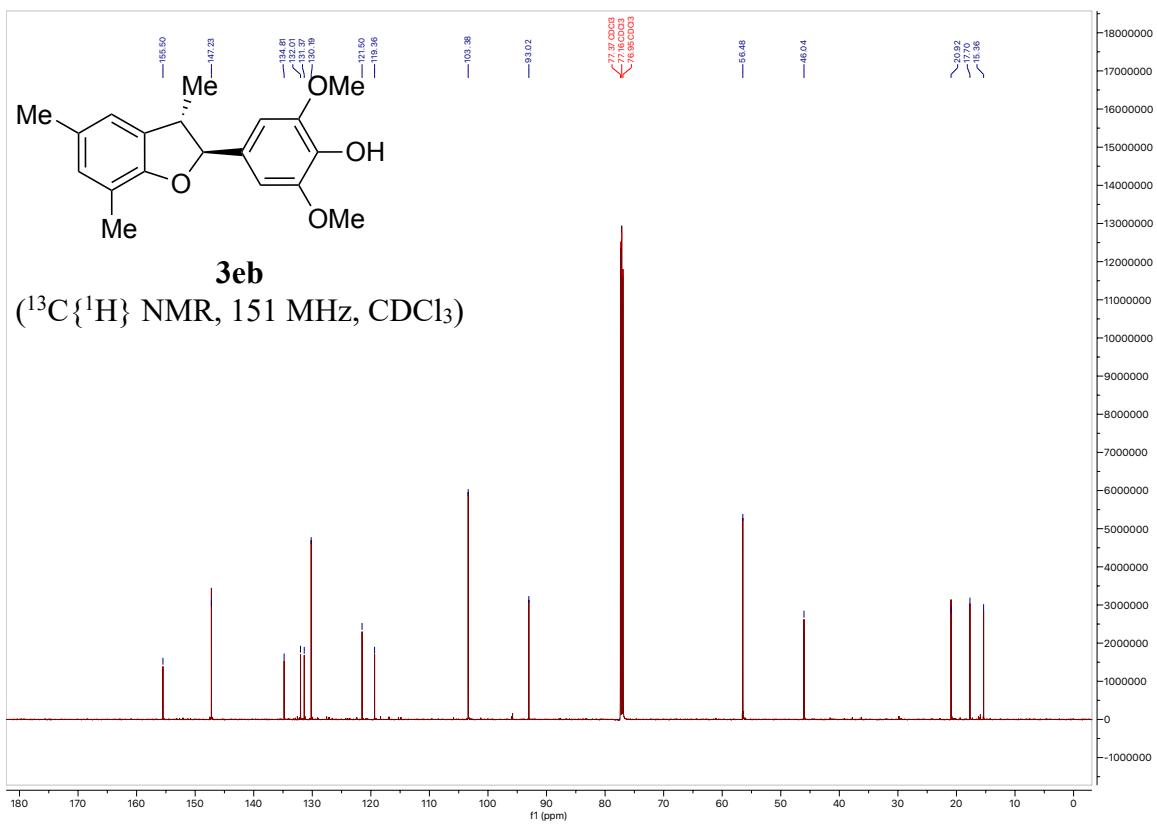
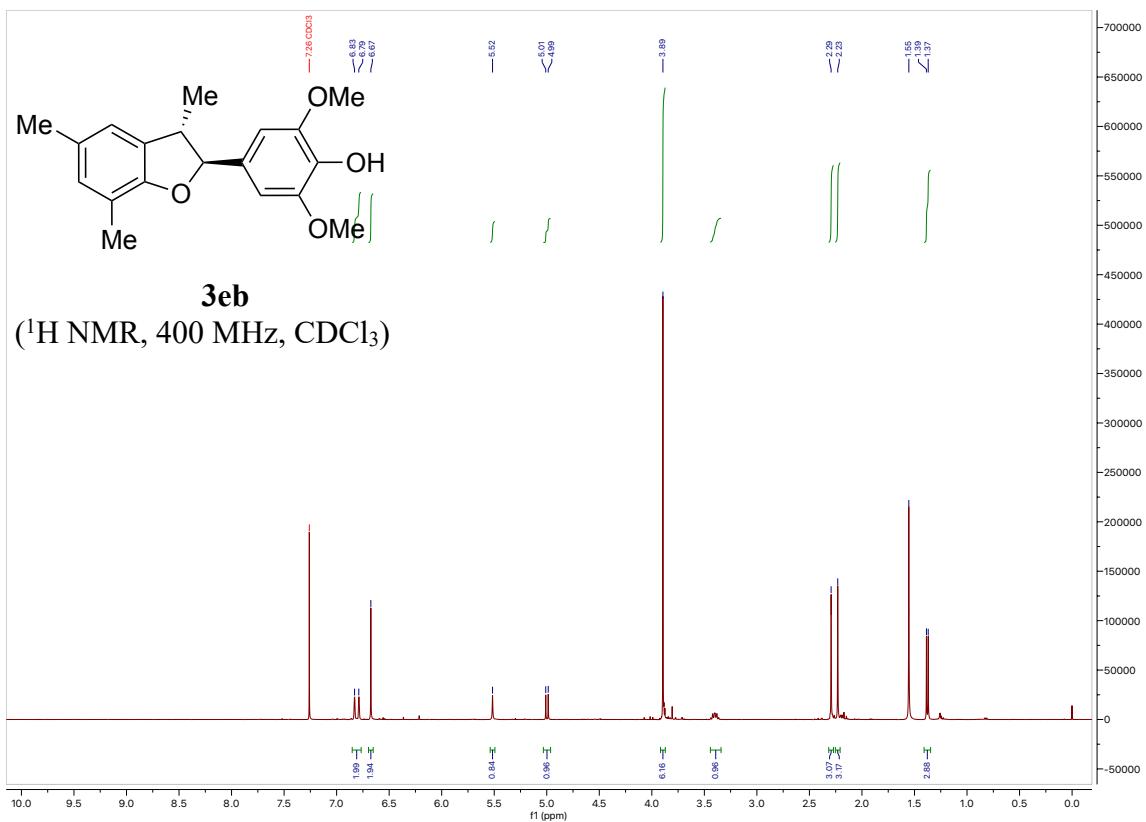


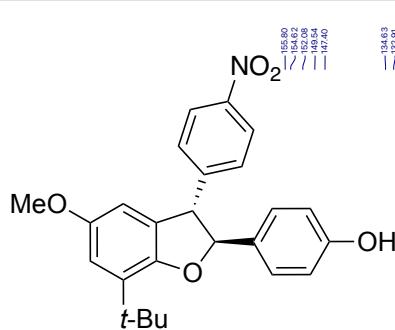
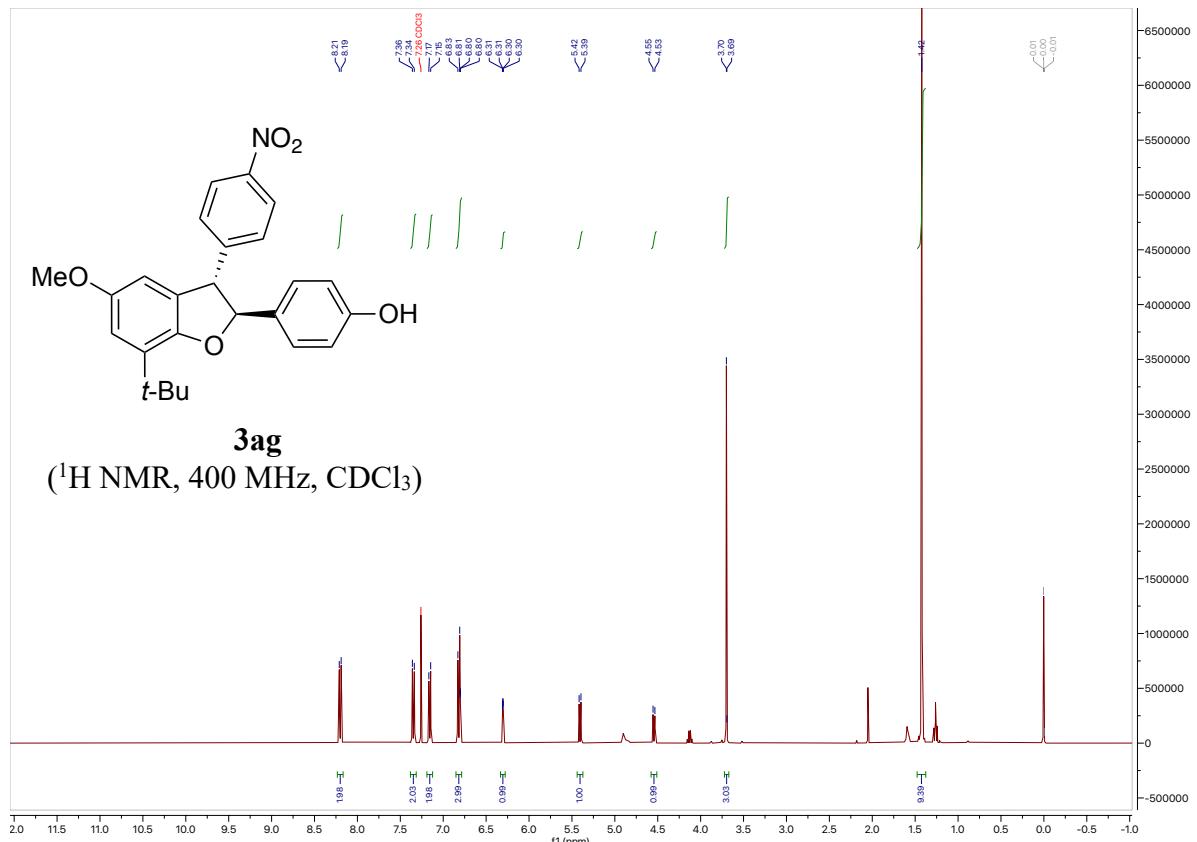




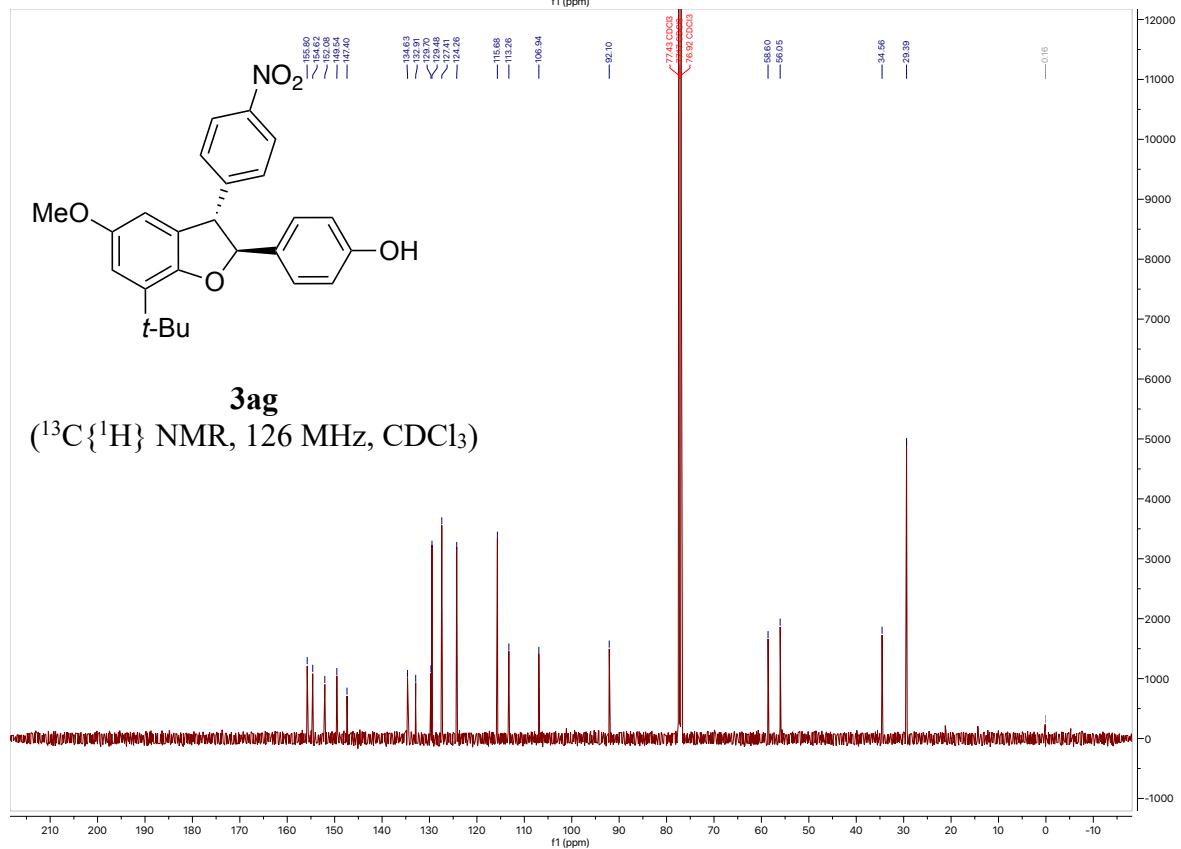


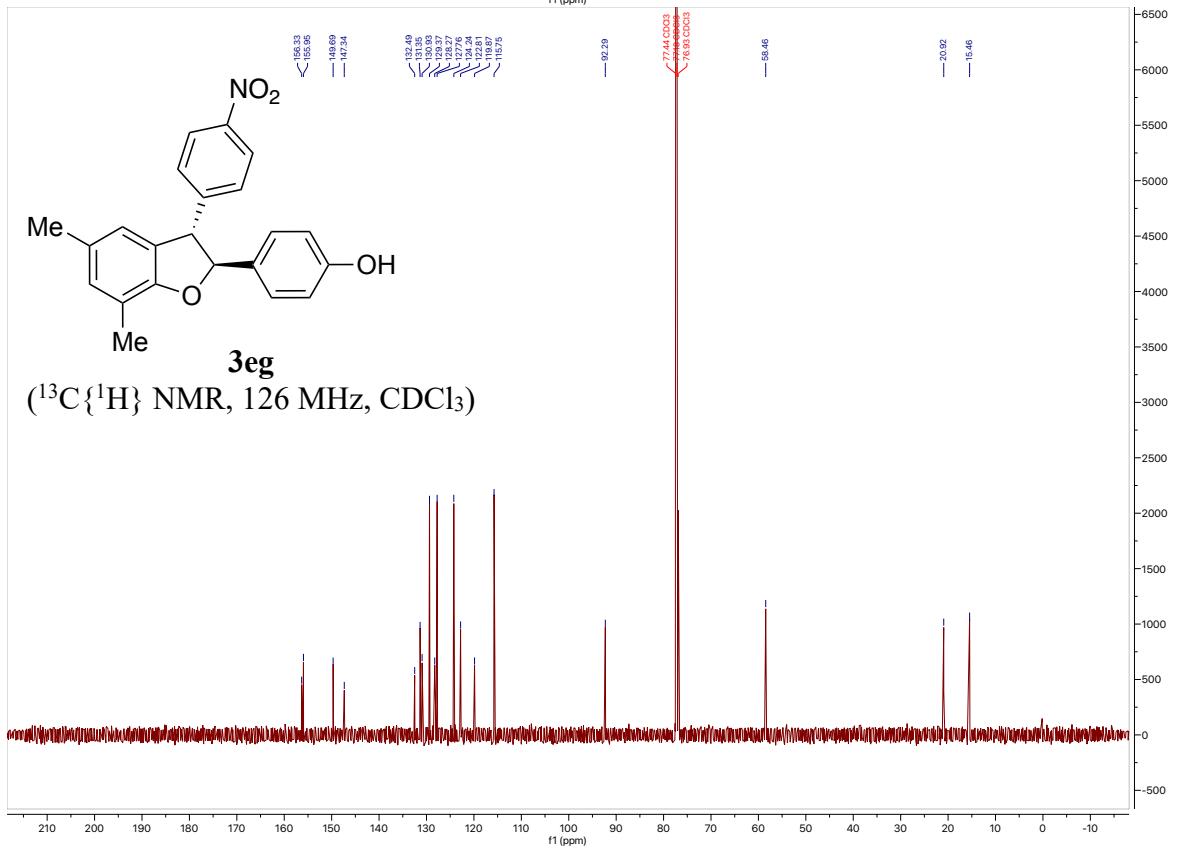
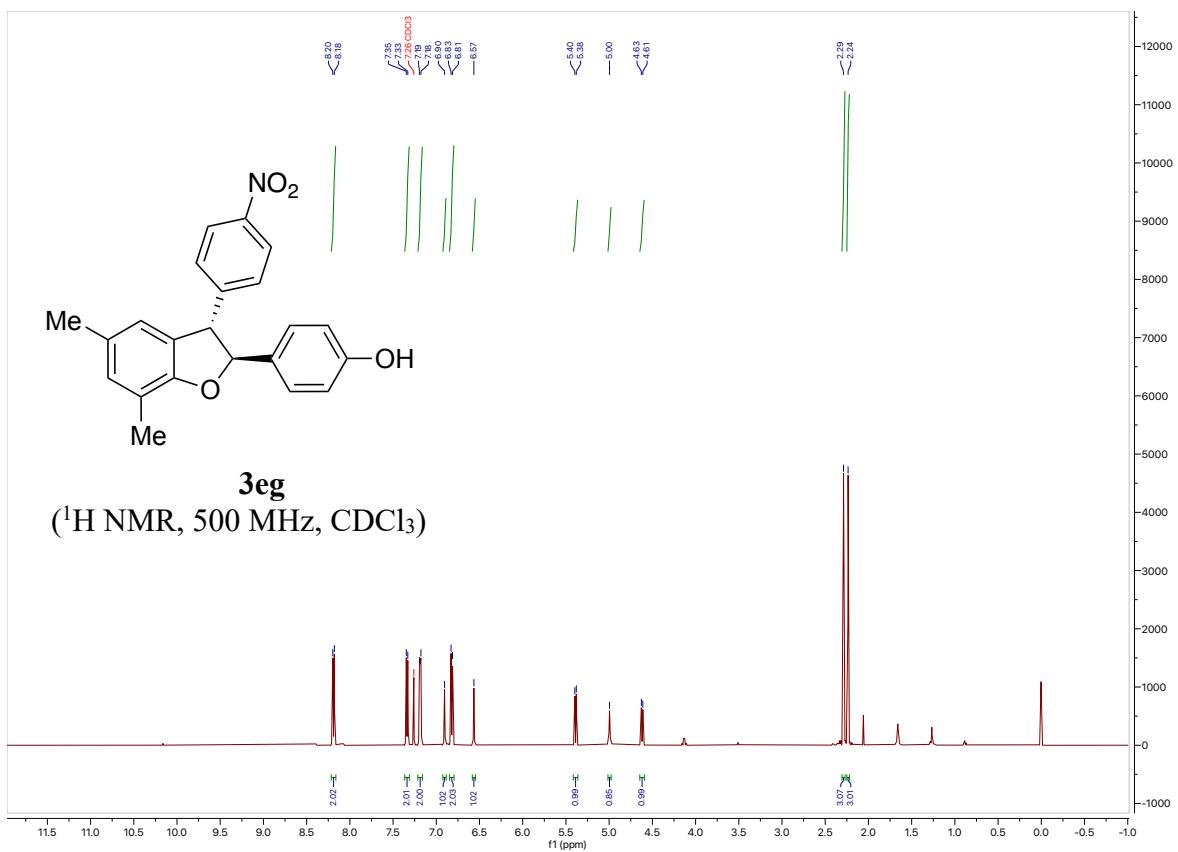


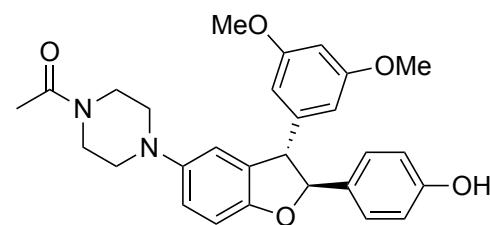
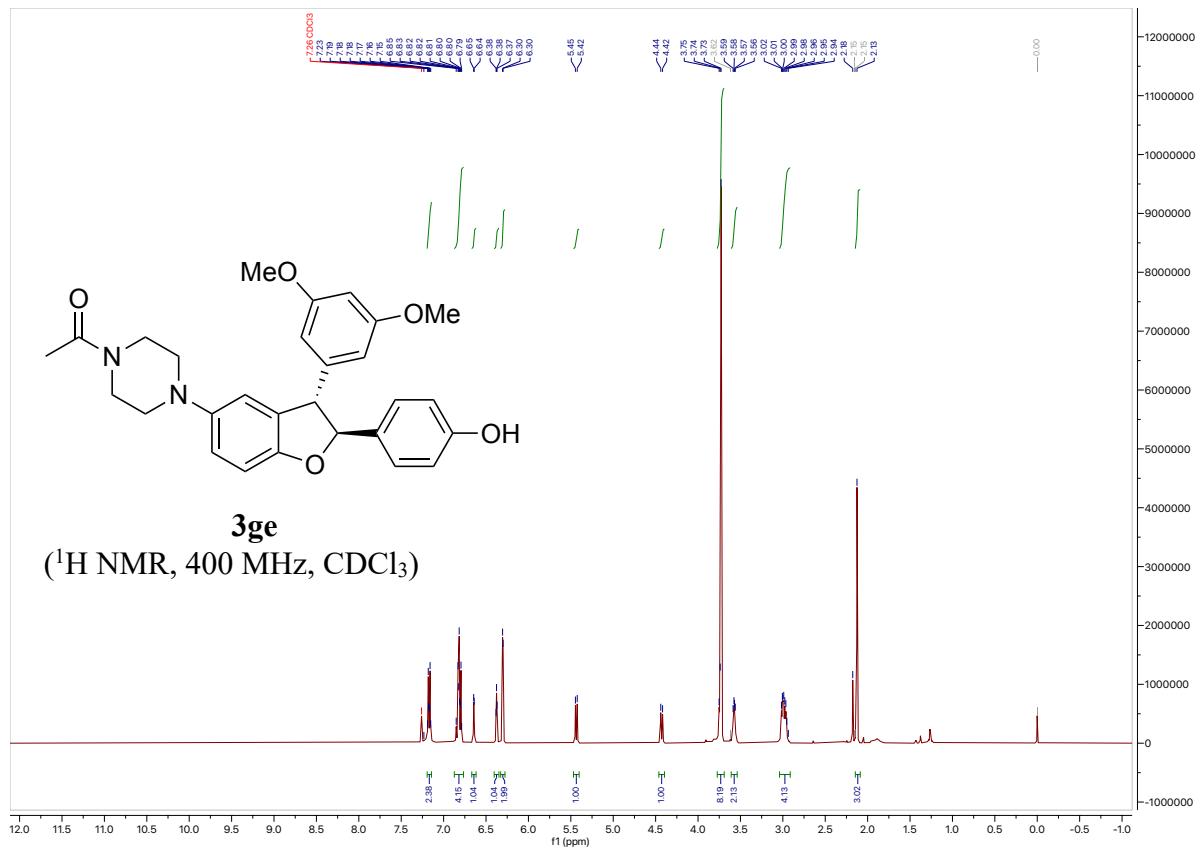




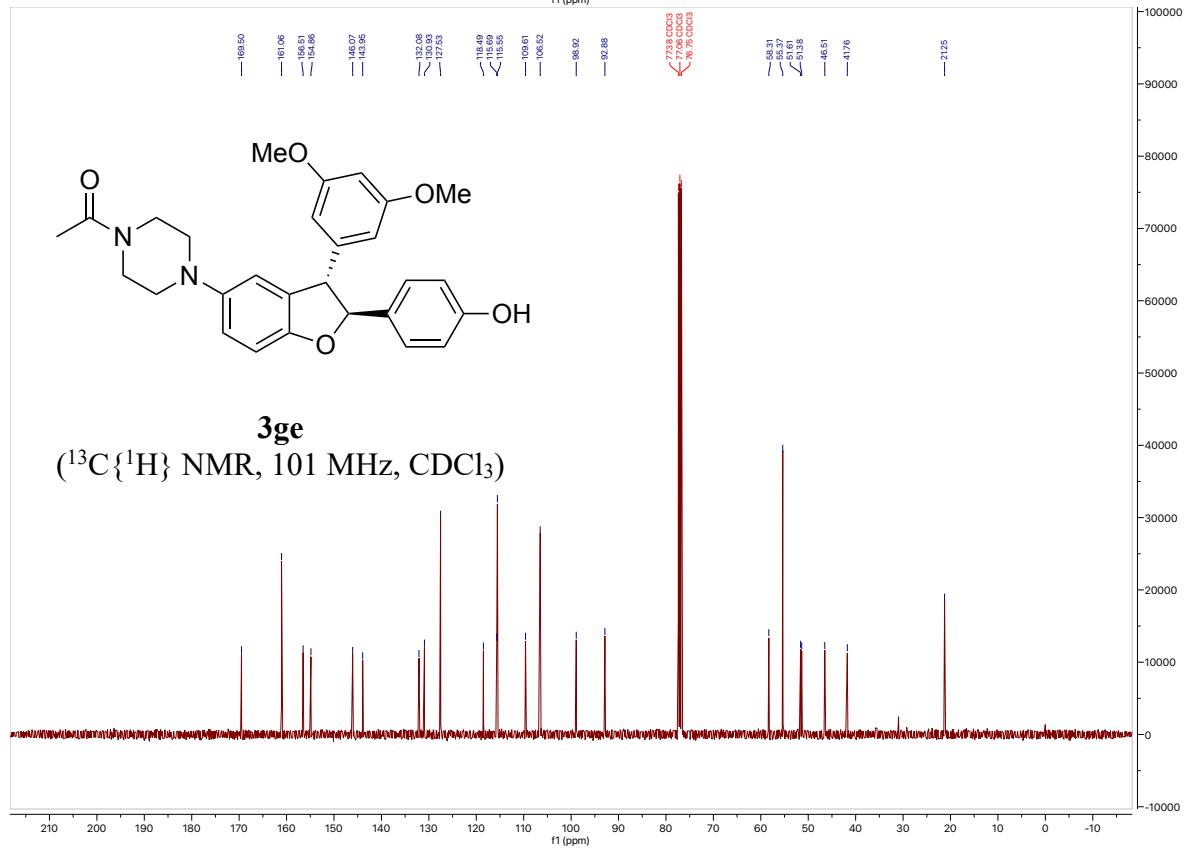
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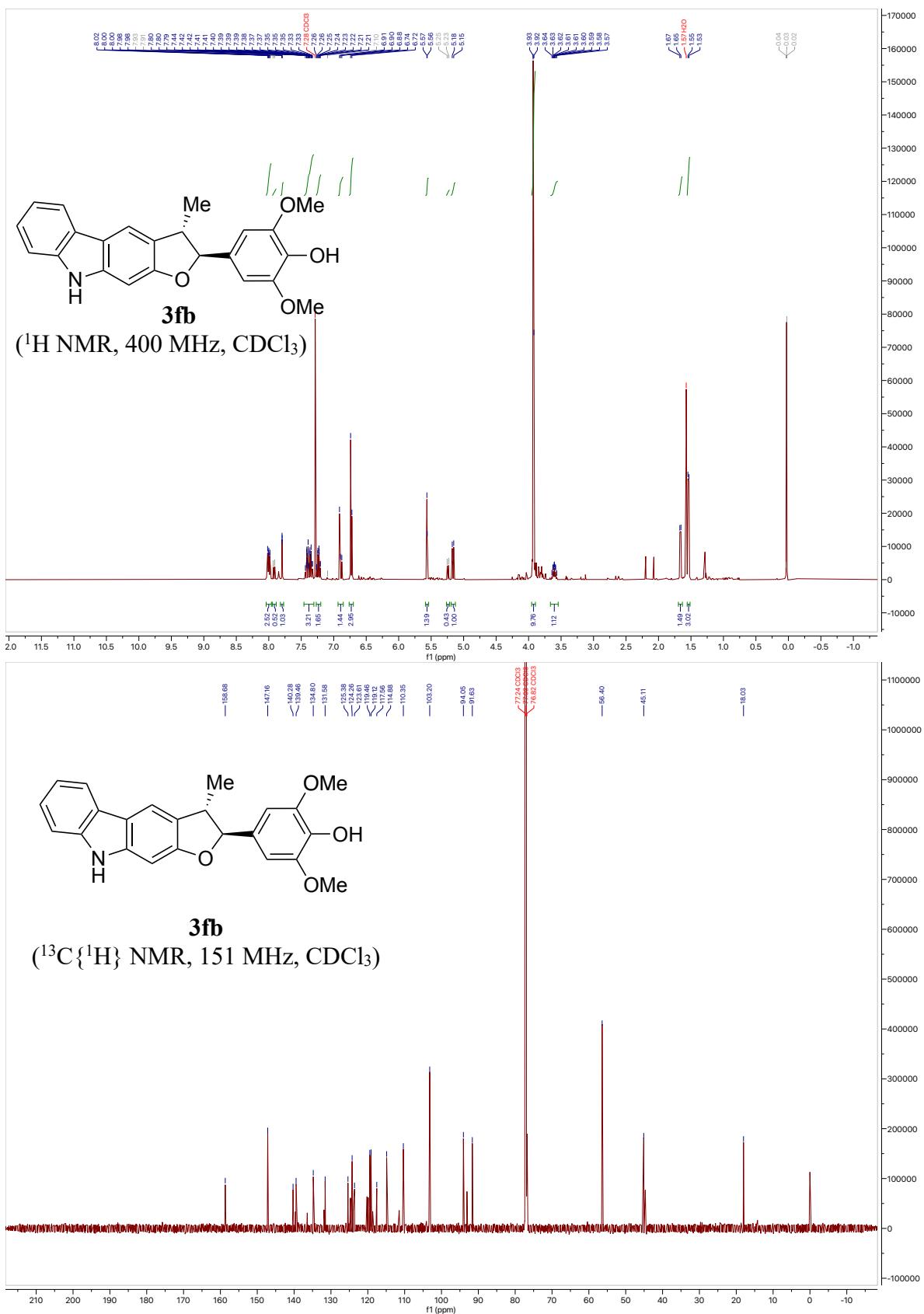


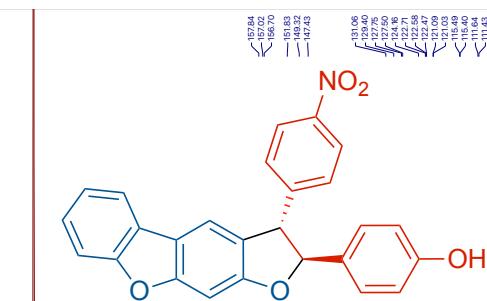
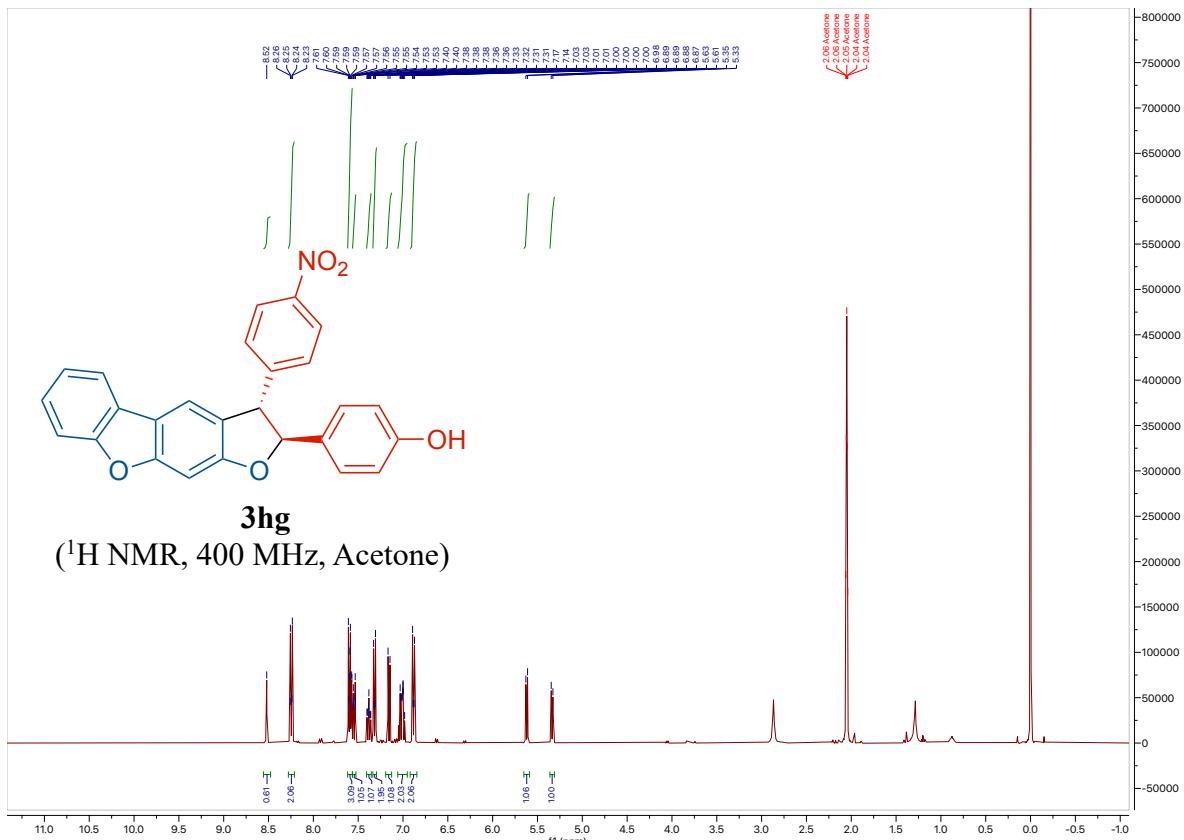




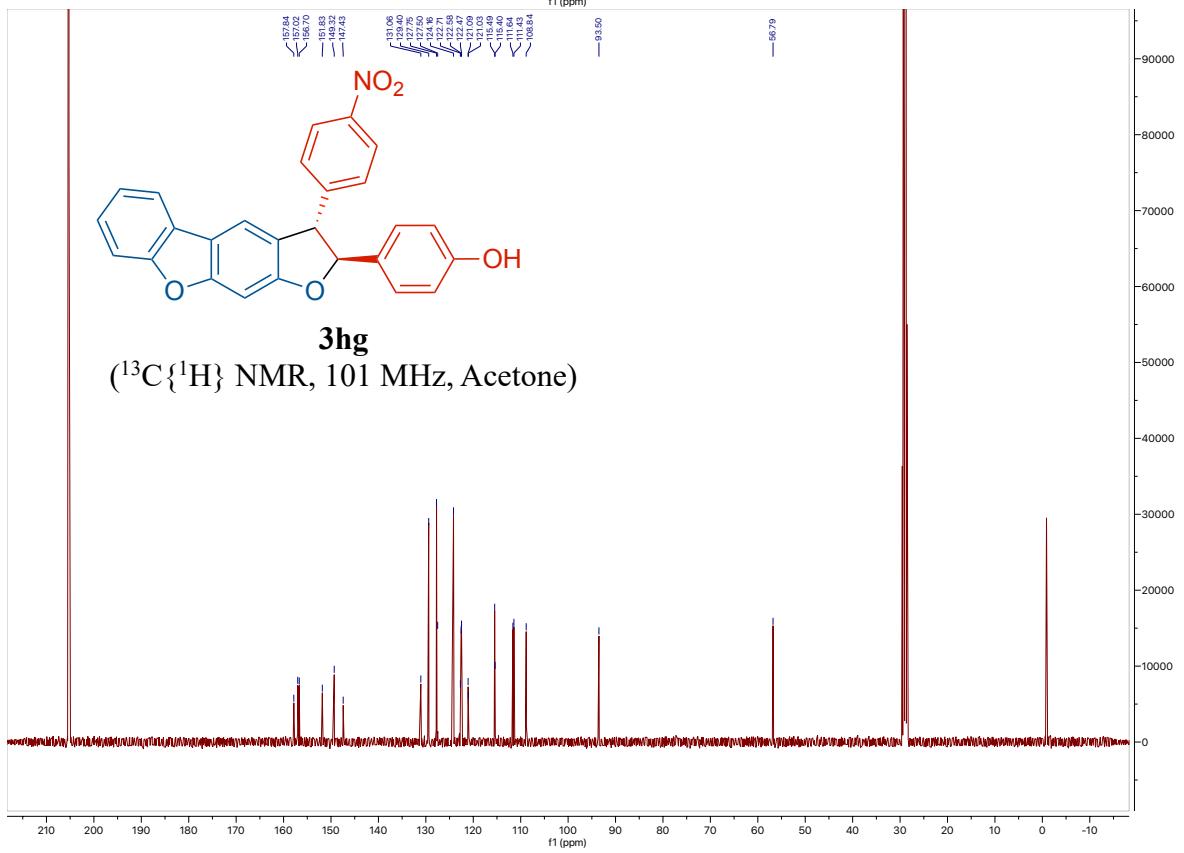
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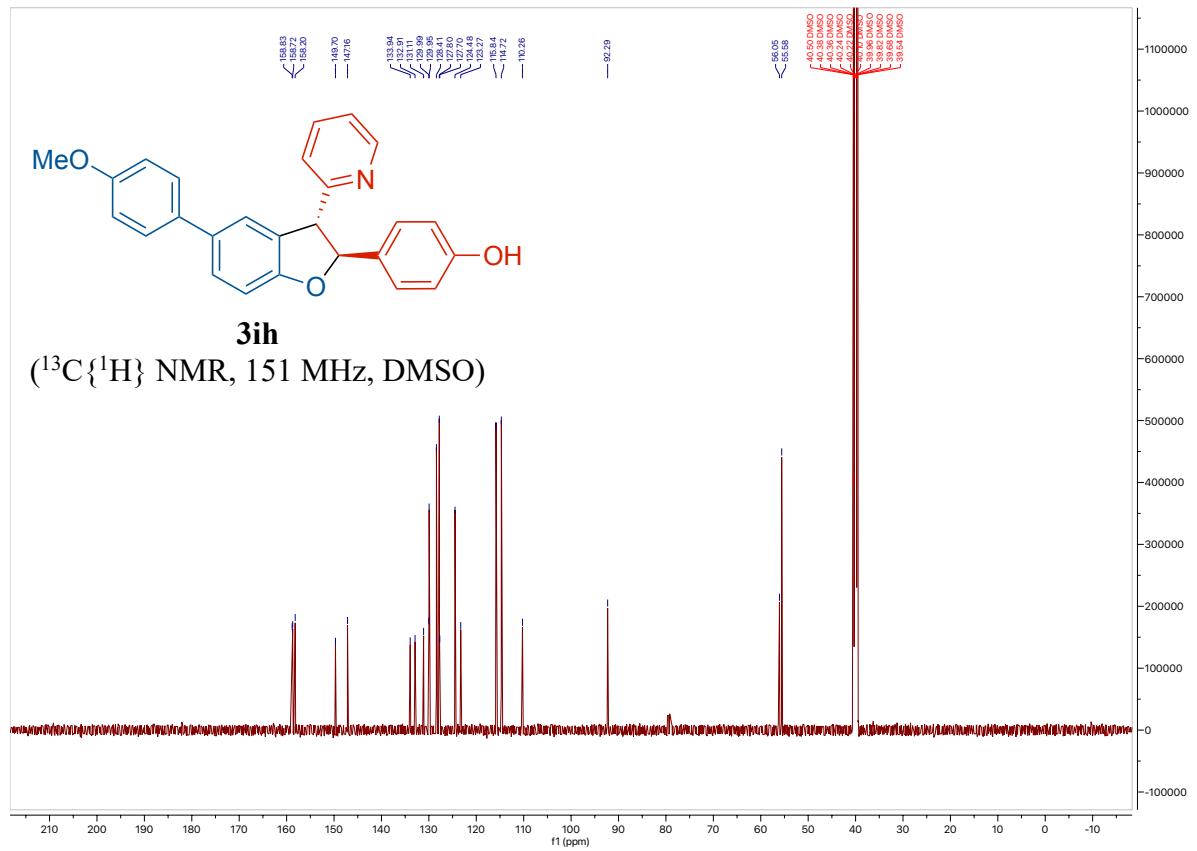
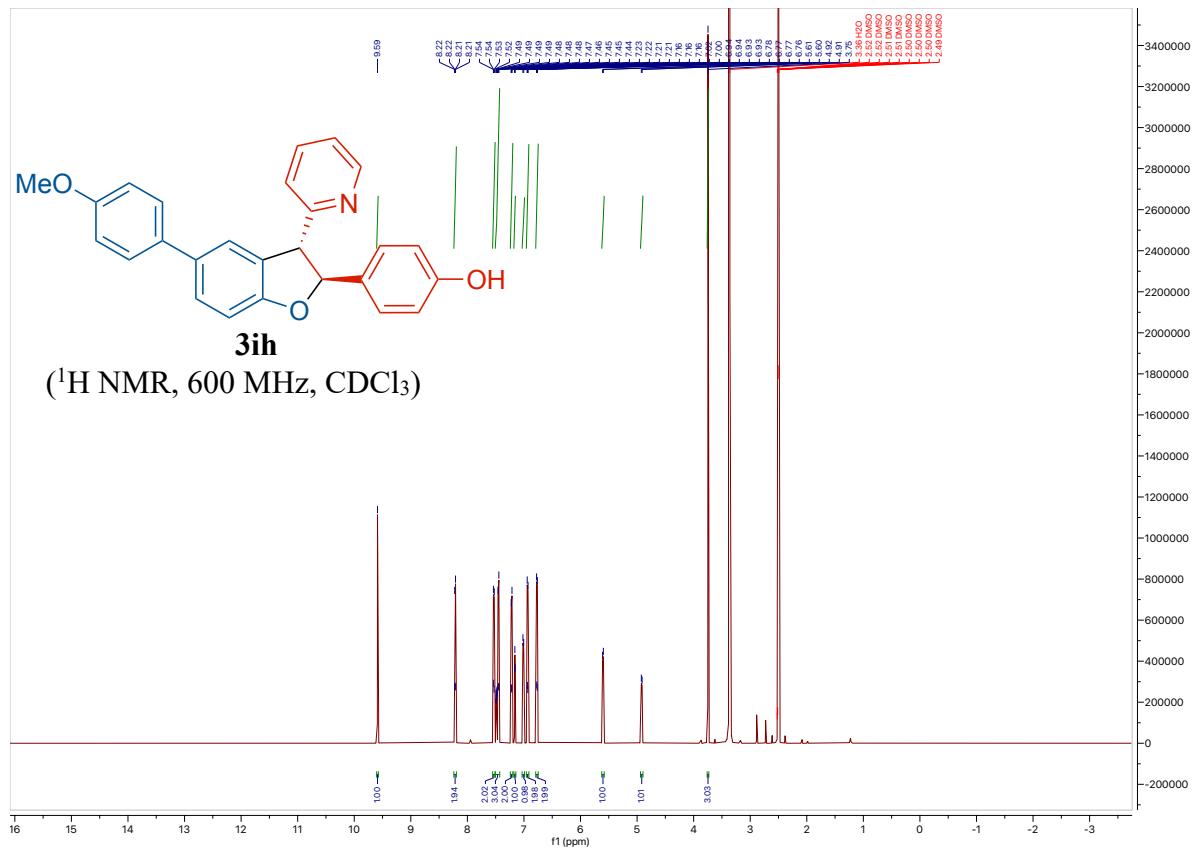


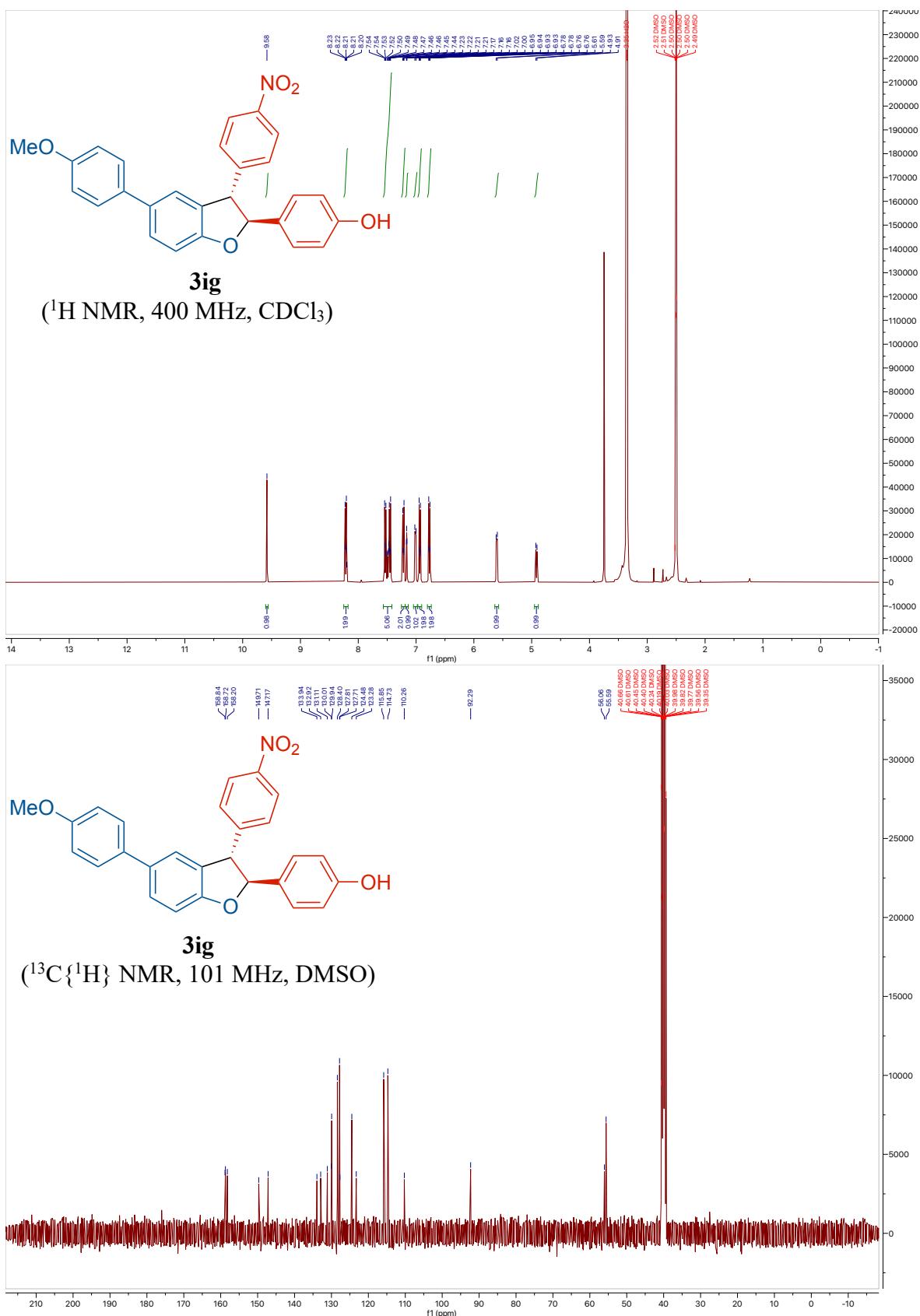


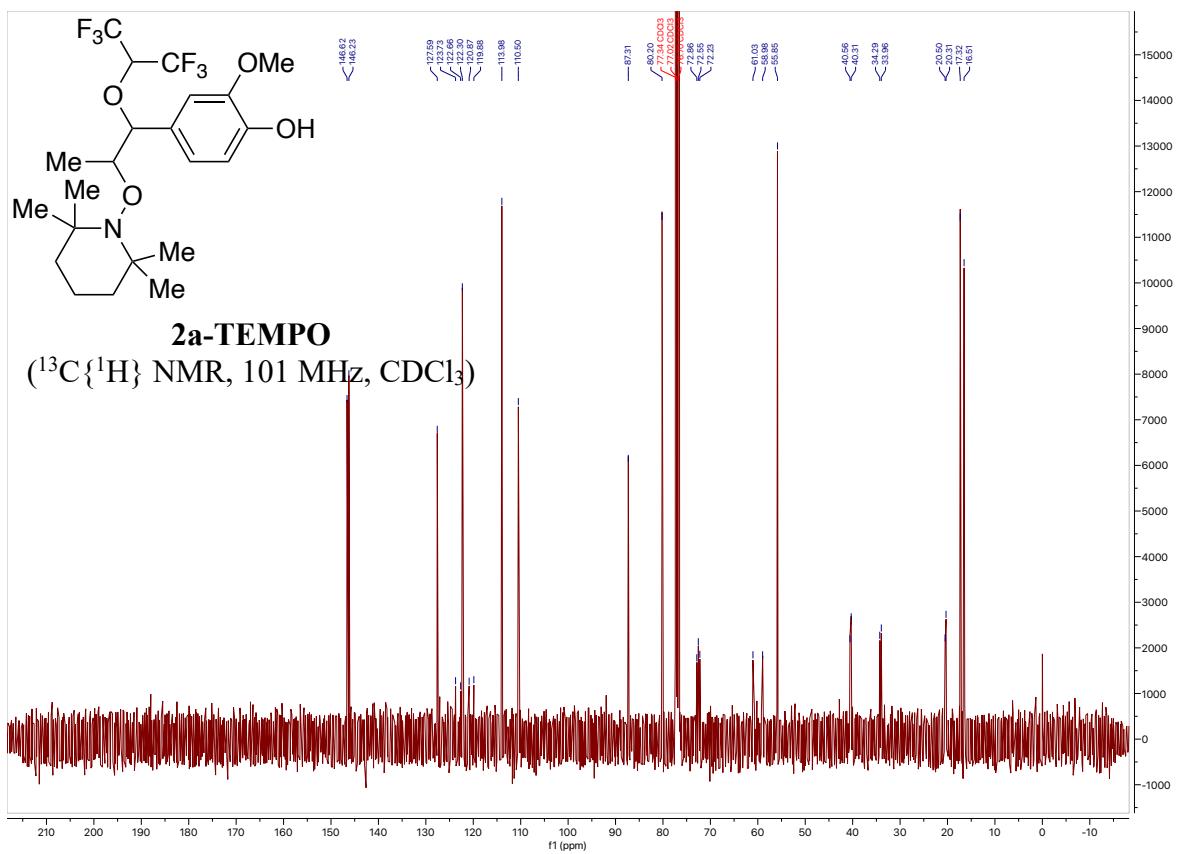
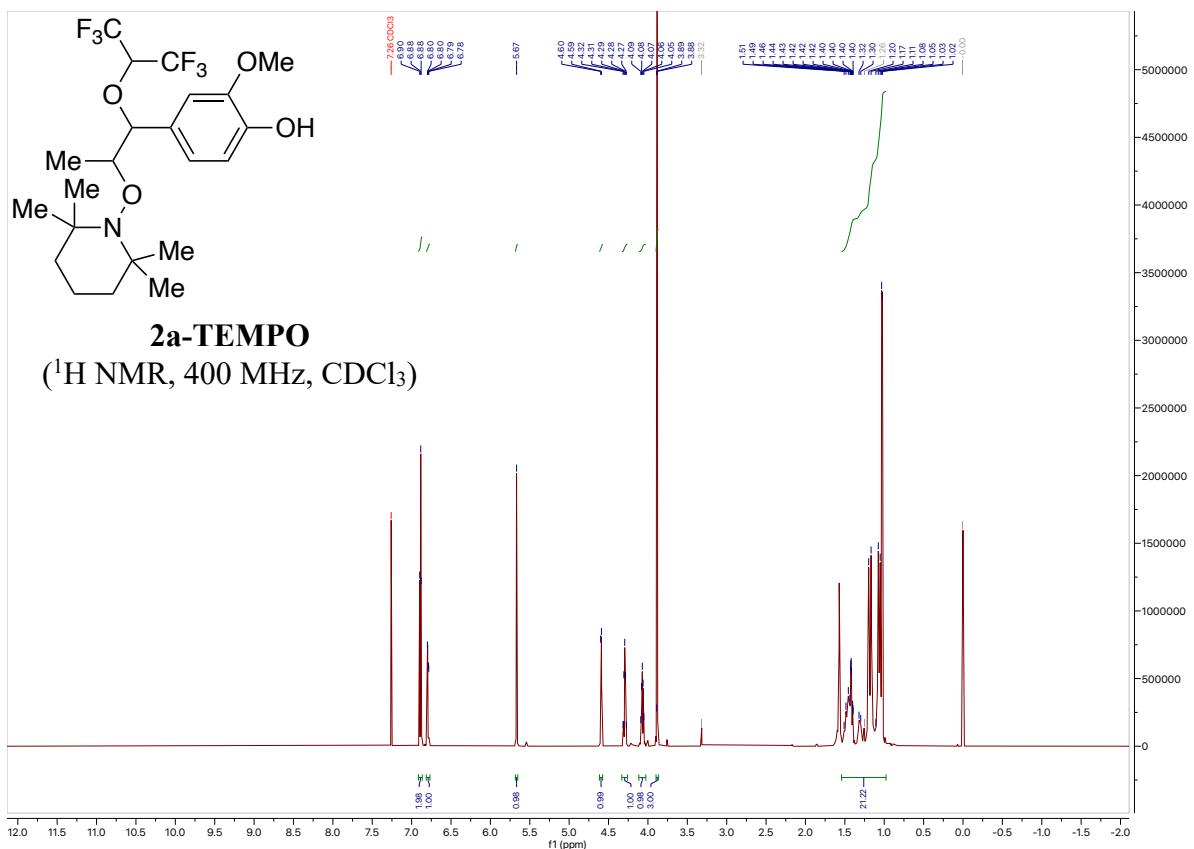


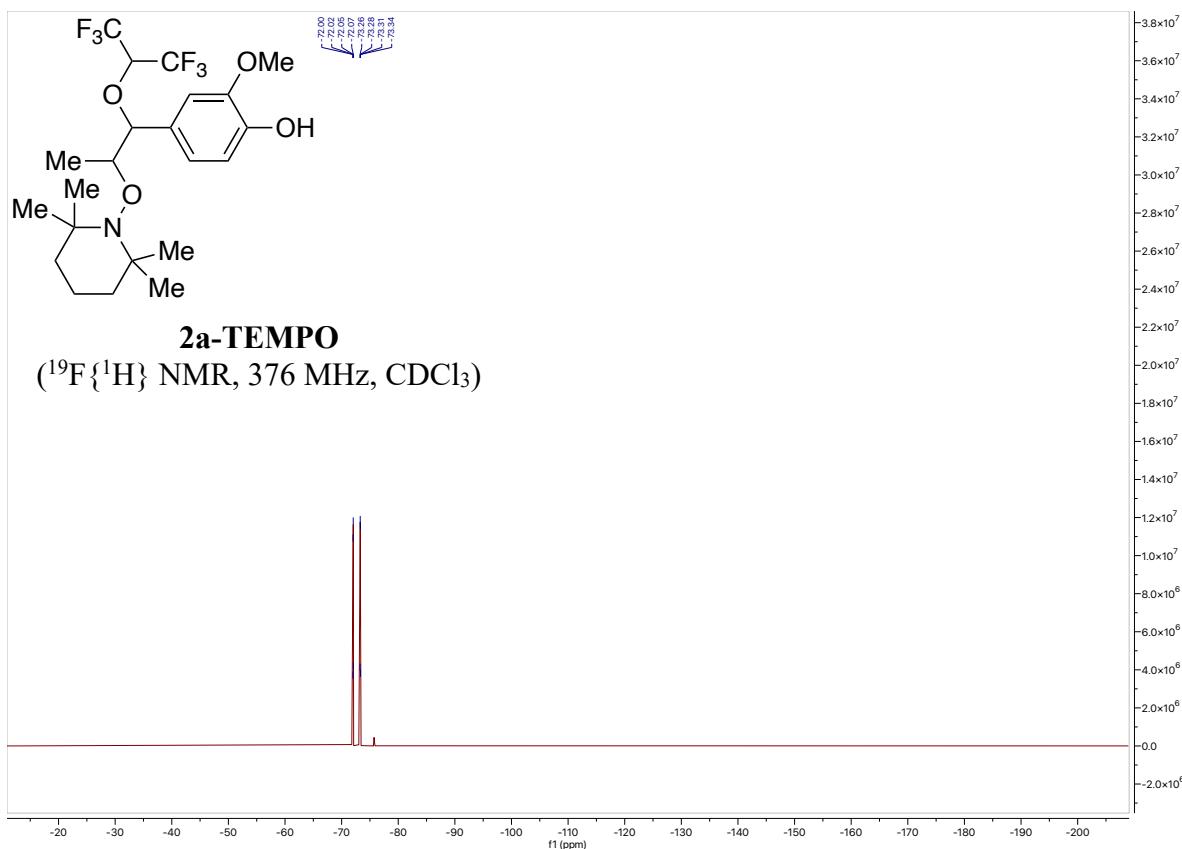
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