

Supporting Information

**Cascade C-H functionalization/annulation of 2-aryl-1,3-dicarbonyls with
Morita-Baylis-Hillman adducts: access to α -iso-/benzochromenyl acrylates**

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General Information. Pd(OAc)₂ (98%), Cu(OAc)₂·H₂O (98%), Cu(OAc)₂ (>98%), AgOAc (99%), BQ (>98%), 1,3-cyclohexadione, dimedone and aryl iodides of Aldrich and TCI chemicals were used as received. Acetonitrile, CH₂Cl₂, MeOH and EtOH were dried prior to use as per the standard procedure. Silica gel-G/GF254 plates (Merck) were used for TLC analysis with a mixture of hexane and EtOAc as the eluent. Column chromatography was carried out using Rankem silica gel (60-120 mesh). Bruker Avance III 400, 500 and 600 MHz NMR spectrometers were used to record (¹H, ¹³C and ¹⁹F) NMR spectra using CDCl₃ and DMSO-*d*₆ as the solvent and tetramethylsilane (TMS) as an internal standard. Chemical shifts (δ) and spin-spin coupling constant (*J*) are reported in parts per million and hertz (Hz), respectively, and to describe peak patterns following abbreviations were used when appropriate: s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet and m = multiplet. Melting point of the products was measured on Büchi melting point apparatus, MPB-540. Open capillary tubes were used for the measurements and are uncorrected. Mestrenova software was used throughout the spectral analysis. Q-ToF ESI-MS instrument was used for recording HRMS data. Infrared spectra were recorded on Perkin Elmer FT-IR instrument. Single crystal X-ray data were collected on a Bruker SMART APEX equipped with a CCD area detector using Mo/*K*α radiation and the structure was solved by direct method using SHELXL-18 (Göttingen, Germany).

Sample Preparation for Crystal Growth. Compound **4a** dissolved in a 1:1 mixture of CH₂Cl₂ and hexane (2 mL) and kept at room temperature for slow evaporation (3 days). Block shaped crystals were formed, which were then subjected to X-ray diffraction.

Crystal Structure and Data of **4a**.

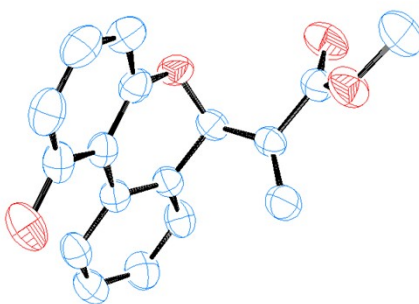
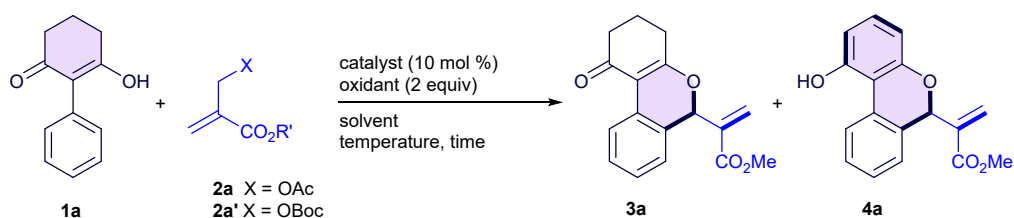


Figure S1. ORTEP diagram of methyl 2-(1-hydroxy-6*H*-benzo[*c*]chromen-6-yl)acrylate **4a** (CCDC No 2367382) with 50% ellipsoid. H-Atoms are omitted for clarity.

CCDC No.	2367382
Identification code	4a
Empirical formula	C ₁₇ H ₁₄ O ₄
Formula weight	282.298
Crystal habit, colour	Block, colorless
Temperature, <i>T</i> /K	293K
Wavelength, λ /Å	0.71073 Å
Crystal system	Monoclinic
Space group	C 1 c 1
Unit cell dimensions	$a = 17.442 (13) \text{ Å}$ $b = 7.489 (5) \text{ Å}$ $c = 12.142 (10) \text{ Å}$ $\alpha = 90$ $\beta = 117.13 (3)$ $\gamma = 90$
Volume, $V/\text{Å}^3$	1411.4(18) Å ³
<i>Z</i>	4
Calculated density, Mg·m ⁻³	1.328
Absorption coefficient, μ/mm^{-1}	0.095
<i>F</i> (000)	592
θ range for data collection	2.62 to 24.72
Limiting indices	$-20 \leq h \leq 20, -8 \leq k \leq 8, -14 \leq l \leq 14$
Reflection collected / unique	2390/2026
Completeness to θ	99.75 %
Absorption correction	Multi-scan
Refinement method	'SHELXT 2018/2 (Sheldrick, 2018)'
Data / restraints / parameters	2390/2/201
Goodness-of-fit on F^2	1.0939
Final <i>R</i> indices [$I > 2\sigma(I)$]	$R_1 = 0.0404, wR_2 = 0.0806$
<i>R</i> indices (all data)	$R_1 = 0.0543, wR_2 = 0.0898$

Table S1. Optimization of Reaction Conditions^a

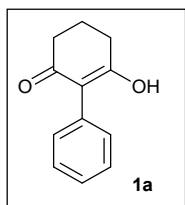


entry	catalyst	oxidant	solvent	yield 3a ^b	yield 4a ^b
1	Pd(OAc) ₂	Cu(OAc) ₂	DMF	29	36
2	Pd(OAc) ₂	Cu(OAc) ₂ ·H ₂ O	DMF	35	46
3	Pd(OAc) ₂	AgOAc	DMF	25	trace
4	Pd(OAc) ₂	BQ	DMF	32	n.d.
5	Pd(OAc) ₂	Cu(OAc) ₂ ·H ₂ O	DMSO	30	trace
6	Pd(OAc) ₂	Cu(OAc) ₂ ·H ₂ O	DMA	n.d.	n.d.
7	Pd(OAc) ₂	Cu(OAc) ₂ ·H ₂ O	Toluene	n.d.	n.d.
8	Pd(OAc) ₂	Cu(OAc) ₂ ·H ₂ O	1,4-Dioxane	n.d.	n.d.
9	Pd(OAc) ₂	Cu(OAc) ₂ ·H ₂ O	(CH ₂ Cl) ₂	n.d.	n.d.
10	Pd(OAc) ₂	Cu(OAc) ₂ ·H ₂ O	^t AmOH	n.d.	n.d.
11	Pd(OAc) ₂	Cu(OAc) ₂ ·H ₂ O	H ₂ O	81	n.d.
12^c	Pd(OAc)₂	Cu(OAc)₂·H₂O	H₂O	85	n.d.
13 ^c	Pd(TFA) ₂	Cu(OAc) ₂ ·H ₂ O	H ₂ O	65	n.d.
14 ^c	PdCl ₂	Cu(OAc) ₂ ·H ₂ O	H ₂ O	n.d.	n.d.
15 ^c	Pd(PPh ₃) ₂ Cl ₂	Cu(OAc) ₂ ·H ₂ O	H ₂ O	n.d.	n.d.
16	Pd(OAc) ₂	Cu(OAc) ₂ ·H ₂ O	DMF+H ₂ O ^d	46	21
17	Pd(OAc) ₂	Cu(OAc) ₂ ·H ₂ O	DMF+H ₂ O ^e	42	29
18	Pd(OAc) ₂	Cu(OAc) ₂ ·H ₂ O	DMF+H ₂ O ^f	trace	72
19^g	Pd(OAc)₂	Cu(OAc)₂·H₂O	DMF + H₂O^f	trace	78
20	Pd(TFA) ₂	Cu(OAc) ₂ ·H ₂ O	DMF + H ₂ O	37	n.d.
21	PdCl ₂	Cu(OAc) ₂ ·H ₂ O	DMF + H ₂ O	n.d.	n.d.
22	Pd(PPh ₃) ₂ Cl ₂	Cu(OAc) ₂ ·H ₂ O	DMF + H ₂ O	n.d.	n.d.
23 ^h	-	Cu(OAc) ₂ ·H ₂ O	DMF + H ₂ O	n.d.	n.d.
24 ^h	-	Cu(OAc) ₂ ·H ₂ O	H ₂ O	n.d.	n.d.

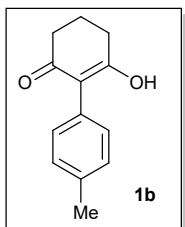
25 ^{c,i}	Pd(OAc) ₂	Cu(OAc) ₂ ·H ₂ O	H ₂ O	52	n.d.
26 ^{g,i}	Pd(OAc) ₂	Cu(OAc) ₂ ·H ₂ O	DMF + H ₂ O	n.d.	49

^aReaction conditions: **1a** (0.1 mmol), **2a** (0.15 mmol), catalyst (10 mol %), oxidant (2 equiv), solvent (1 mL), 120 °C, 6 h. ^bIsolated yield (in %). ^cReaction temperature is 110 °C. ^d(DMF:H₂O = 3:7). ^e(DMF:H₂O = 1:1), ^f(DMF:H₂O = 9:1). ^gReaction time is 8 h. ^hIn absence of catalyst. ⁱMethyl 2-(((*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)oxy)methyl)acrylate **2a'** used. n.d. = not detected.

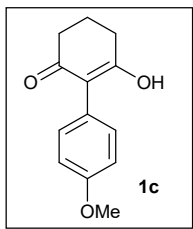
General Procedure for the Preparation of 2-Aryl-1,3-Dicarbonyl Compounds 1.^{1a} To a stirred solution of 1,3-dicarbonyl compound (9 mmol), CuI (57 mg, 10 mol%), L-proline (69 mg, 20 mol%) and K₂CO₃ (1.7 g, 12 mmol) in DMSO (12 mL), aryl iodide (3 mmol) was added. The resultant mixture was stirred at 90 °C for 48 h. The mixture was cooled to 0 °C, acidified with 2 N HCl until the pH became 3-4 and extracted using EtOAc (2 x 50 mL). The combined organic layer was washed with brine (1 x 20 mL) and water (10 mL). Drying (Na₂SO₄) and evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography using hexane and EtOAc as eluent to afford the 2-aryl-1,3-dicarbonyl compound **1**.



6-Hydroxy-4,5-dihydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2(3H)-one 1a.^{1a} Pale yellow solid; yield 62% (350 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.44 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.35 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.21-7.19 (m, 2H), 6.10 (bs, 1H), 2.58-2.53 (m, 4H), 2.12-2.06 (m, 2H).

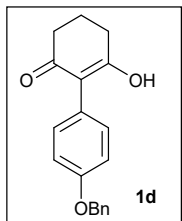


6-Hydroxy-4'-methyl-4,5-dihydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2(3H)-one 1b.^{1a} Brown solid; yield 65% (394 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.24 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.07 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.10 (bs, 1H), 2.60 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 2.49 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 2.11-2.05 (m, 2H).



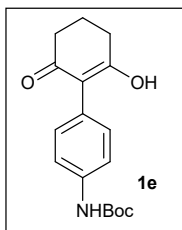
6-Hydroxy-4'-methoxy-4,5-dihydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2(3*H*)-one **1c.**^{1a}

Colorless solid; yield 54% (353 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.10 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.95 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.24 (bs, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 2.58-2.49 (m, 4H), 2.10-2.03 (m, 2H).

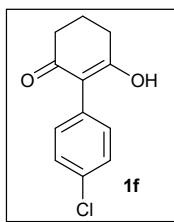


4'-(Benzyloxy)-6-hydroxy-4,5-dihydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2(3*H*)-one **1d.**^{1c}

Colorless solid; yield 48% (423 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.44-7.37 (m, 4H), 7.33 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 7.11 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.04 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.06 (s, 1H), 5.08 (s, 2H), 2.60 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 2.49 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 2.11-2.04 (m, 2H).

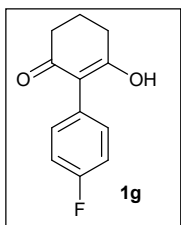


tert-Butyl (6'-hydroxy-2'-oxo-2',3',4',5'-tetrahydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl)-carbamate **1e.**^{1b} Colorless solid; yield 42% (382 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.42 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.12 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.53 (s, 1H), 5.99 (bs, 1H), 2.61 (t, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 2H), 2.49 (t, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 2H), 2.11-2.04 (m, 2H), 1.52 (s, 9H).



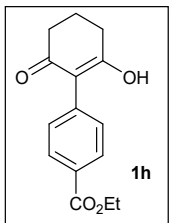
4'-Chloro-6-hydroxy-4,5-dihydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2(3*H*)-one **1f.**^{1b} Yellow

solid; yield 35% (334 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.40 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.13 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 2.59-2.51 (m, 4H), 2.11-2.05 (m, 2H).



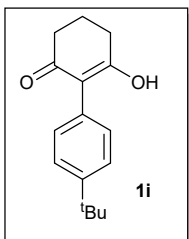
4'-Fluoro-6-hydroxy-4,5-dihydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2(3*H*)-one 1g.^{1b}

Colorless solid; yield 55% (340 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.20-7.11 (m, 4H), 5.99 (s, 1H), 2.62-2.60 (m, 2H), 2.51-2.48 (m, 2H), 2.12-2.05 (m, 2H).



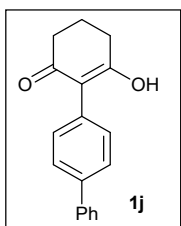
Ethyl 6'-hydroxy-2'-oxo-2',3',4',5'-tetrahydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-4-carboxylate 1h.^{1c}

Colorless solid; yield 62% (484 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.04 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.26 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 4.37 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.62-2.46 (m, 4H), 2.10-2.04 (m, 2H), 1.38 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H).



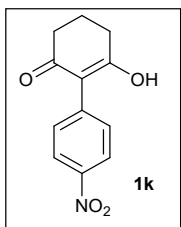
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Brown solid; yield 61% (447 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.44 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.12 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.11 (bs, 1H), 2.61 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 2.50 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 2.12-2.05 (m, 2H), 1.32 (s, 9H).



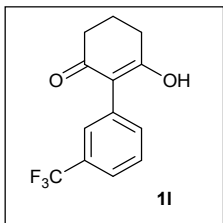
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Yellow solid; yield 48% (381 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.66 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.59 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.45 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.36 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.28 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.07 (bs, 1H), 2.65 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 2.54 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 2.15-2.08 (m, 2H).



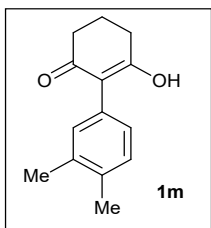
6-Hydroxy-4'-nitro-4,5-dihydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2(3*H*)-one 1k.^{1d} Yellow

solid; yield 62% (350 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.27 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.41 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 2.62-2.58 (m, 4H), 2.15-2.08 (m, 2H).



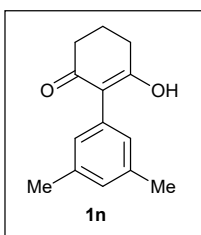
6-Hydroxy-3'-(trifluoromethyl)-4,5-dihydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2(3*H*)-one 1l.^{1a} Colorless solid; yield 32% (246 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.50 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.46-7.41 (m, 2H), 7.30 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 2.48-2.44 (m, 4H), 2.02-1.96 (m, 2H).

1H), 7.46-7.41 (m, 2H), 7.30 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 2.48-2.44 (m, 4H), 2.02-1.96 (m, 2H).



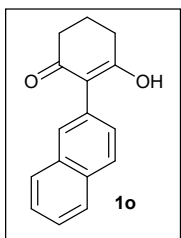
6-Hydroxy-3',4'-dimethyl-4,5-dihydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2(3*H*)-one 1m.^{1c} Colorless solid; yield 56% (363 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.19 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.96 (s, 1H), 6.91 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.01 (s, 1H), 2.60 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 2.50 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 2.26 (s, 6H), 2.11-2.05 (m, 2H).

Colorless solid; yield 56% (363 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.19 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.96 (s, 1H), 6.91 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.01 (s, 1H), 2.60 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 2.50 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 2.26 (s, 6H), 2.11-2.05 (m, 2H).

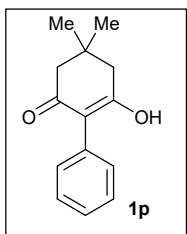


6-Hydroxy-3',5'-dimethyl-4,5-dihydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2(3*H*)-one 1n.^{1b} Brown solid; yield 49% (318 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.98 (s, 1H), 6.80 (s, 2H), 6.10 (bs, 1H), 2.59-2.49 (m, 4H), 2.32 (s, 6H), 2.10-2.04 (m, 2H).

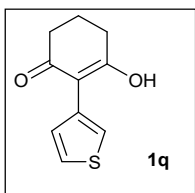
Brown solid; yield 49% (318 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.98 (s, 1H), 6.80 (s, 2H), 6.10 (bs, 1H), 2.59-2.49 (m, 4H), 2.32 (s, 6H), 2.10-2.04 (m, 2H).



3-Hydroxy-2-(naphthalen-2-yl)cyclohex-2-en-1-one 1o.^{1b} Yellow solid; yield 26% (186 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.91 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.86-7.80 (m, 2H), 7.69 (s, 1H), 7.52-7.47 (m, 2H), 7.31-7.28 (m, 1H), 2.61-2.58 (m, 4H), 2.15-2.09 (m, 2H).



6-Hydroxy-4,4-dimethyl-4,5-dihydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2(3H)-one 1p.^{1a} Colorless solid; yield 41% (266 mg); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.45 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.36 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 6.06 (bs, 1H), 2.48 (s, 2H), 2.38 (s, 2H), 1.17 (s, 6H).



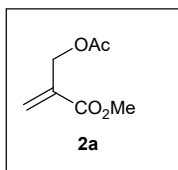
3-Hydroxy-2-(thiophen-3-yl)cyclohex-2-en-1-one 1q.^{1b} Colorless solid; yield 32% (186 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.45 (dd, J = 4.9, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 7.24 (dd, J = 2.8, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (dd, J = 4.9, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 2.55 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 4H), 2.10-2.04 (m, 2H).

General Procedure for the Preparation of MBH Adducts 2a-g.^{2a}

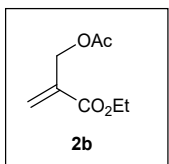
Step-1: To a stirred solution of aldehyde (2 mmol) in dioxane/water (1:1) (5 mL), acrylate (6 mmol) and DABCO (224 mg, 2 mmol) were added and stirred at room temperature for 12 h. After completion (monitored by TLC), the reaction mixture was extracted with EtOAc (3 x 10 mL). The combined organic layer was washed with brine (1 x 10 mL) and water (10 mL). Drying (Na₂SO₄) and evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography using hexane and EtOAc as an eluent to afford the MBH alcohol.

Step 2: To a stirred solution of the MBH product (1 mmol), DMAP (244 mg, 0.1 mmol) and Et₃N (139 μ L, 1 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (5 mL), Ac₂O (95 μ L, 1 mmol) was added dropwise and the resultant mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 h. After completion (monitored by TLC), the reaction mixture was poured into an aqueous 2 N HCl and extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (2 x 20 mL). Drying (Na₂SO₄) and evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on

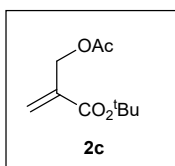
silica gel column chromatography using hexane and EtOAc as eluent to afford the MBH acetate **2**.



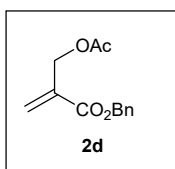
Methyl 2-(acetoxymethyl)acrylate 2a.^{2a} Colorless liquid; yield 86% (134 mg); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.36 (s, 1H), 5.85 (s, 1H), 4.80 (s, 2H), 3.78 (s, 3H), 2.10 (s, 3H).



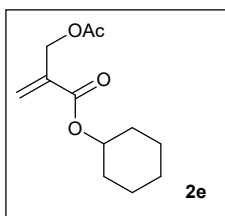
Benzyl 2-(acetoxymethyl)acrylate 2b.^{2a} Colorless liquid; yield 82% (141 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.34 (s, 1H), 5.81 (s, 1H), 4.79 (s, 2H), 4.23 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.08 (s, 3H), 1.29 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H).



tert-Butyl 2-(acetoxymethyl)acrylate 2c.^{2b} Yellow liquid; yield 77% (154 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.26 (s, 1H), 5.74 (s, 1H), 4.77 (s, 2H), 2.10 (s, 3H), 1.49 (s, 9H).

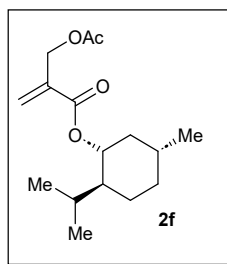


Benzyl 2-(acetoxymethyl)acrylate 2d.^{2a} Colorless liquid; yield 85% (199 mg); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.38-7.33 (m, 5H), 6.41 (s, 1H), 5.87 (s, 1H), 5.23 (s, 2H), 4.83 (s, 2H), 2.08 (s, 3H).



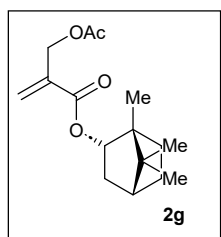
Cyclohexyl 2-(acetoxymethyl)acrylate 2e. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 1:9 EtOAc/hexane *R_f* = 0.5; colorless liquid; yield 73% (165 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.35 (s, 1H), 5.80 (s, 1H), 4.91-4.85 (m, 1H), 4.81 (s, 2H), 2.10 (s, 3H), 1.87-1.82 (m, 2H), 1.76-1.69 (m, 2H), 1.54-1.28 (m, 6H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.5, 164.6, 136.0, 127.0, 73.3, 62.6, 31.5, 25.4, 23.6, 20.9; FT-IR (neat) 2937, 1725, 2861, 1745, 1717, 1368,

1226, 1170, 1039 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{19}\text{O}_4$: 227.1278; Found 227.1278.



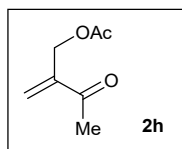
(1*R*,2*S*,5*R*)-2-isopropyl-5-methylcyclohexyl 2-(acetoxymethyl)-acrylate

2f.^{2a} Colorless liquid; yield 72% (203 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 6.34 (s, 1H), 5.81 (s, 1H), 4.82-4.75 (m, 3H), 2.10 (s, 3H), 2.02-2.00 (m, 1H), 1.89-1.83 (m, 1H), 1.71-1.67 (m, 2H), 1.51-1.40 (m, 2H), 1.09-1.00 (m, 2H), 0.92-0.88 (m, 7H), 0.75 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H).



(1*R*,2*S*,4*R*)-1,7,7-trimethylbicyclo[2.2.1]heptan-2-yl 2-(acetoxymethyl)-

acrylate 2g.^{2a} Yellow liquid; yield 75% (210 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 6.37 (s, 1H), 5.82 (s, 1H), 4.98-4.94 (m, 1H), 4.82 (s, 2H), 2.44-2.36 (m, 1H), 2.10 (s, 3H), 1.97-1.90 (m, 1H), 1.81-1.73 (m, 1H), 1.70 (t, J = 4.4 Hz, 1H), 1.38-1.30 (m, 1H), 1.27-1.20 (m, 1H), 1.04-0.99 (m, 1H), 0.92 (s, 3H), 0.88 (s, 3H), 0.85 (s, 3H).

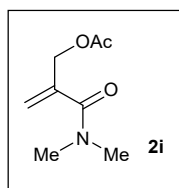


2-Methylene-3-oxobutyl Acetate 2h. Step-1:^{2c}

To a stirred solution of paraformaldehyde (100 mg, 3.32 mmol) in ethanol (0.40 mL, 6.85 mmol), methyl vinyl ketone (166 mg, 2.37 mmol) and DABCO (13 mg, 0.12 mmol) were added and the resultant mixture was stirred for 3 h at room temperature. After completion (monitored by TLC), evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography using pentane and diethyl ether as eluent to afford the MBH alcohol in 82% (195 mg) yield.

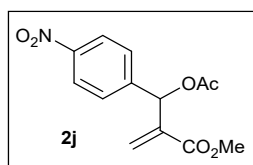
Step 2:^{2a} To a stirred solution of the MBH alcohol (100 mg, 1 mmol), DMAP (244 mg, 0.1 mmol) and Et_3N (139 μL , 1 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (5 mL), Ac_2O (95 μL , 1 mmol) was added dropwise and the resultant mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 h. After completion (monitored by TLC), the reaction mixture was poured into 2 N HCl and extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (2 x 20 mL). Drying (Na_2SO_4) and evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography using hexane and EtOAc as eluent to afford the MBH

acetate **2h** in 73% yield (103 mg) as a colorless liquid. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 6.17 (s, 1H), 6.00 (s, 1H), 4.78 (s, 2H), 2.35 (s, 3H), 2.08 (s, 3H).



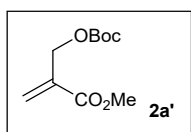
2-(Dimethylcarbamoyl)allyl Acetate 2i. Step-1:^{2d} To a stirred solution of paraformaldehyde (924 mg, 30 mmol) in $t\text{BuOH}/\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (3:7) (370 μL), DABCO (693 mg, 6 mmol), phenol (141 mg, 1.5 mmol) and N,N -dimethylacrylamide (618 μL , 6 mmol) were added and the resultant mixture was stirred for 3 days at 55 $^\circ\text{C}$ under argon atmosphere. After completion (monitored by TLC), the reaction mixture was quenched with water (5 mL) and extracted with EtOAc (3 x 5 mL). Drying (Na_2SO_4) and evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography using hexane and EtOAc as an eluent to afford the MBH alcohol in 74% (573 mg).

Step 2:^{2a} To a stirred solution of the MBH alcohol (129 mg, 1 mmol), DMAP (244 mg, 0.1 mmol) and Et_3N (139 μL , 1 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (5 mL), Ac_2O (95 μL , 1 mmol) was added dropwise and the resultant mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 h. After completion (monitored by TLC), the reaction mixture was poured 2 N HCl and extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (2 x 20 mL). Drying (Na_2SO_4) and evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography using hexane and EtOAc as eluent to afford the MBH acetate **2i** in 84% (144 mg) as a colorless liquid. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 1:1 EtOAc/hexane R_f = 0.5; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 5.46 (s, 1H), 5.26 (s, 1H), 4.75 (s, 2H), 3.05 (s, 3H), 2.98 (s, 3H), 2.05 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 170.5, 169.7, 139.6, 117.6, 64.9, 38.9, 34.9, 20.9; FT-IR (neat) 2932, 1729, 1709, 1611, 1060 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_8\text{H}_{14}\text{NO}_3$: 172.0968; Found 172.0970.



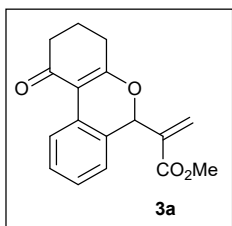
Methyl 2-(acetoxymethyl)-4-nitrophenylacrylate 2j. Step-1:^{2a} To a stirred solution of 4-nitrobenzaldehyde (302 mg, 2 mmol), methyl acrylate (517 mg, 6 mmol) and DABCO (224 mg, 2 mmol) were stirred at room temperature under solvent free condition for 6 h. After completion (monitored by TLC), the reaction mixture was extracted with EtOAc (3 x 10 mL). The combined organic layer was washed with brine (1 x 10 mL) and water (10 mL). Drying (Na_2SO_4) and evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography using hexane and EtOAc as an eluent to afford the MBH alcohol.

Step 2:^{2a} To a stirred solution of the MBH alcohol (237 mg, 1 mmol), DMAP (244 mg, 0.1 mmol) and Et₃N (139 μ L, 1 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (5 mL), Ac₂O (95 μ L, 1 mmol) was added dropwise and the resultant mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 h. After completion (monitored by TLC), the reaction mixture was poured into 2 N HCl and extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (2 x 20 mL). Drying (Na₂SO₄) and evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography using hexane and EtOAc as eluent to afford the MBH acetate **2j** in 86% yield (240 mg) as a yellow liquid. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.19 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.56 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 6.70 (s, 1H), 6.45 (s, 1H), 5.97 (s, 1H), 3.71 (s, 3H), 2.13 (s, 3H).



Methyl 2-(((*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)oxy)methyl)acrylate 2a'.^{2e} To a stirred solution of the methyl 2-(hydroxymethyl)acrylate (100 mg, 1 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (5 mL), (Boc)₂O (0.25 mL, 1.1 mmol) and DMAP (244 mg, 0.05 mmol) were added at 0 °C and the resultant mixture was stirred at room temperature for 16 h. After completion (monitored by TLC), the reaction mixture was quenched with water (5 mL) and extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 x 5 mL). Drying (Na₂SO₄) and evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography using hexane and EtOAc as eluent to afford **2a'** in 64% yield (138 mg) as a colorless liquid. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.35 (s, 1H), 5.86 (s, 1H), 4.77 (s, 2H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 1.47 (s, 9H).

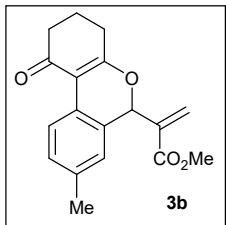
General Procedure for the Pd-Catalyzed Non-dehydrogenative C-H Functionalization and Annulation of 2-Aryl-3-hydroxy-2-cyclohexenones with MBH Adducts. In a pressure tube, 2-aryl-3-hydroxy-2-cyclohexenone **1** (0.1 mmol), MBH adduct **2** (0.15 mmol), Pd(OAc)₂ (2 mg, 10 mol%) and Cu(OAc)₂·H₂O (40 mg, 0.2 mmol) were stirred in H₂O (1 mL) at 110 °C for 6 h. After completion (monitored by TLC), the reaction mixture was extracted with EtOAc (3 x 10 mL). The combined organic layer was washed with brine (10 mL). Drying (Na₂SO₄) and evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography using hexane and EtOAc as an eluent to afford **3**.



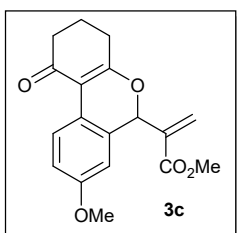
Methyl 2-(1-oxo-2,3,4,6-tetrahydro-1H-benzo[c]chromen-6-yl)acrylate

3a. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 3:7 EtOAc/hexane *R_f* = 0.50; colorless liquid; yield 85% (24 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.40 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.35 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.22 (t,

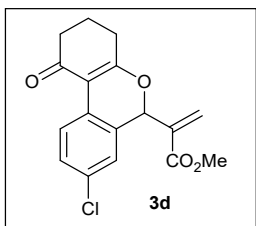
$J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 6.94 (d, $J = 6.4$ Hz, 1H), 6.43 (s, 1H), 6.26 (s, 1H), 5.39 (s, 1H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 2.59-2.42 (m, 4H), 2.02-1.96 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 196.5, 171.7, 166.2, 137.7, 130.5, 129.0, 127.7, 127.5, 127.3, 125.4, 125.1, 112.7, 76.0, 52.5, 38.5, 29.5, 20.1; FT-IR (neat) 2951, 1725, 1657, 1598, 1385, 1288, 1180, 1145 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{17}\text{O}_4$: 285.1121; Found 285.1124.



Methyl 2-(8-methyl-1-oxo-2,3,4,6-tetrahydro-1H-benzo[c]chromen-6-yl)acrylate 3b. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 3:7 EtOAc/hexane $R_f = 0.52$; brown liquid; yield 88% (26 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.28 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.15 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 6.75 (s, 1H), 6.42 (s, 1H), 6.22 (s, 1H), 5.38 (s, 1H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 2.56-2.41 (m, 4H), 2.31 (s, 3H), 2.00-1.94 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 196.6, 171.0, 166.3, 137.8, 137.1, 130.6, 129.7, 127.5, 125.6, 125.3, 124.9, 112.6, 75.9, 52.4, 38.5, 29.4, 21.3, 20.2; FT-IR (neat) 2951, 1725, 1657, 1600, 1501, 1379, 1288, 1149 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{19}\text{O}_4$: 299.1278; Found 299.1278.

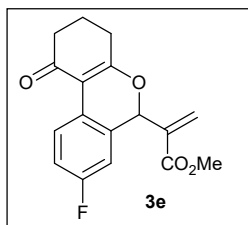


Methyl 2-(8-methoxy-1-oxo-2,3,4,6-tetrahydro-1H-benzo[c]chromen-6-yl)acrylate 3c. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 3:7 EtOAc/hexane $R_f = 0.45$; colorless liquid; yield 70% (22 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.37 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.88 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.50 (s, 1H), 6.42 (s, 1H), 6.22 (s, 1H), 5.40 (s, 1H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 3.78 (s, 3H), 2.54-2.36 (m, 4H), 2.00-1.95 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 196.6, 170.0, 166.2, 158.8, 137.6, 130.5, 129.2, 126.9, 120.5, 113.8, 112.4, 111.0, 75.8, 55.5, 52.4, 38.5, 29.3, 20.2; FT-IR (neat) 2925, 1724, 1655, 1602, 1501, 1257, 1146, 1000 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{19}\text{O}_5$: 315.1227; Found 315.1226.



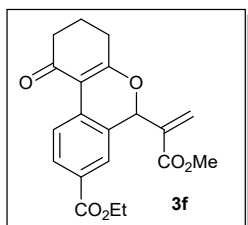
Methyl 2-(8-chloro-1-oxo-2,3,4,6-tetrahydro-1H-benzo[c]chromen-6-yl)acrylate 3d. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 3:7 EtOAc/hexane $R_f = 0.50$; yellow liquid; yield

84% (27 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.39 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.30 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.94 (s, 1H), 6.47 (s, 1H), 6.21 (s, 1H), 5.45 (s, 1H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 2.59-2.41 (m, 4H), 2.02-1.96 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 196.3, 171.9, 165.8, 137.3, 132.7, 130.8, 129.3, 129.0, 126.8, 126.2, 125.1, 112.0, 75.6, 52.5, 38.4, 29.4, 20.1; FT-IR (neat) 2953, 1725, 1658, 1594, 1486, 1378, 1279, 1149, 1001 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{16}\text{ClO}_4$: 319.0732; Found 319.0731.



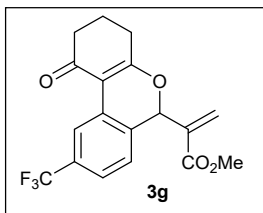
Methyl 2-(8-fluoro-1-oxo-2,3,4,6-tetrahydro-1H-benzo[c]-chromen-6-

yl)acrylate 3e. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 3:7 EtOAc/hexane $R_f = 0.50$; colorless liquid; yield 78% (24 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.44 (dd, $J = 9.2, 6.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.04 (td, $J = 8.8, 2.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.67 (dd, $J = 8.4, 2.4$ Hz, 1H), 6.47 (s, 1H), 6.21 (s, 1H), 5.45 (s, 1H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 2.60-2.39 (m, 4H), 2.02-1.96 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 196.4, 171.2, 165.9, 162.7 ($J_{\text{C-F}} = 245.8$ Hz), 137.3, 130.6, 129.8 ($J_{\text{C-F}} = 7.2$ Hz), 127.5 ($J_{\text{C-F}} = 7.6$ Hz), 123.8 ($J_{\text{C-F}} = 2.9$ Hz), 115.8 ($J_{\text{C-F}} = 20.5$ Hz), 112.2 ($J_{\text{C-F}} = 22.9$ Hz), 112.1, 75.6 ($J_{\text{C-F}} = 2.1$ Hz), 52.5, 38.4, 29.3, 20.1; ^{19}F NMR (470 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -114.02; FT-IR (neat) 2953, 1725, 1657, 1582, 1496, 1379, 1250, 1146 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{16}\text{FO}_4$: 303.1027; Found 303.1033.

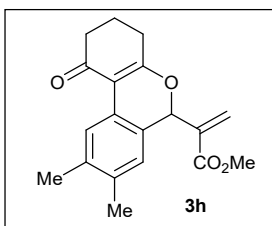


Ethyl 6-(3-methoxy-3-oxoprop-1-en-2-yl)-1-oxo-2,3,4,6-tetra-hydro-

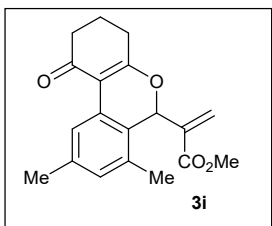
1H-benzo[c]chromene-8-carboxylate 3f. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 3:7 EtOAc/hexane $R_f = 0.43$; colorless liquid; yield 81% (29 mg); ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.51 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 8.01 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.63 (s, 1H), 6.46 (s, 1H), 6.32 (s, 1H), 5.38 (s, 1H), 4.36 (q, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 2H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 2.61-2.55 (m, 2H), 2.51-2.44 (m, 2H), 2.02-1.98 (m, 2H), 1.38 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 196.3, 173.4, 166.2, 165.9, 137.4, 132.0, 131.0, 130.2, 129.1, 127.4, 126.4, 125.2, 112.2, 76.0, 61.2, 52.5, 38.4, 29.6, 20.0, 14.5; FT-IR (neat) 2953, 1718, 1661, 1595, 1381, 1289, 1191, 1001 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{21}\text{O}_6$: 357.1333; Found 357.1334.



Methyl 2-(1-oxo-9-(trifluoromethyl)-2,3,4,6-tetrahydro-1H-benzo[c]chromen-6-yl)acrylate 3g. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 3:7 EtOAc/hexane R_f = 0.51; brown sticky liquid; yield 78% (27 mg); 5:1 mixture of regioisomers; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.78 (s, 1H, major), 7.57 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 0.2H, minor), 7.51-7.46 (m, 1.2H, major + minor), 7.22 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 0.2H, minor), 7.06 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, major), 6.48 (s, 1H, major), 6.30 (s, 1H, major), 6.06 (s, 0.2H, minor), 5.44 (s, 1H, major), 5.33 (s, 0.2H, minor), 3.84 (s, 3H, major), 3.59 (s, 0.6H, minor), 2.70-2.42 (m, 4.8H, major + minor), 2.04-1.97 (m, 2.4H, major + minor); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 206.3, 196.2, 172.7, 168.2, 165.8, 138.3 ($J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 187.8 Hz), 137.2, 131.3, 131.1, 130.8, 130.7, 130.1, 128.4, 127.4, 125.5, 125.3, 124.0 ($J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 3.5 Hz), 123.1, 122.4 ($J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 3.7 Hz), 111.7, 75.8, 74.6, 52.6, 52.0, 38.9, 38.3, 35.5, 29.5, 20.0, 17.5; ^{19}F NMR (565 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -62.68; FT-IR (neat) 2955, 1725, 1658, 1598, 1326, 1269, 1162, 1124, 1077 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{16}\text{F}_3\text{O}_4$: 353.0995; Found 353.1001.

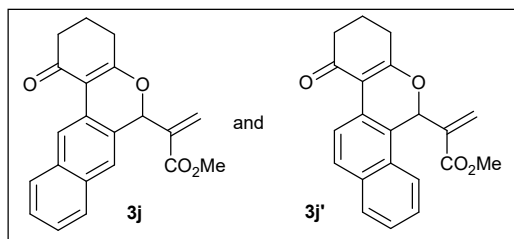


Methyl 2-(8,9-dimethyl-1-oxo-2,3,4,6-tetrahydro-1H-benzo[c]chromen-6-yl)acrylate 3h. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 3:7 EtOAc/hexane R_f = 0.53; brown liquid; yield 89% (28 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.19 (s, 1H), 6.70 (s, 1H), 6.41 (s, 1H), 6.20 (s, 1H), 5.39 (s, 1H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 2.57-2.35 (m, 4H), 2.28 (s, 3H), 2.22 (s, 3H), 1.99-1.94 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 196.6, 171.1, 166.3, 137.9, 137.3, 135.8, 130.5, 126.4, 126.2, 125.1, 125.0, 112.7, 75.8, 52.4, 38.5, 29.5, 20.2, 20.1, 19.7; FT-IR (neat) 2950, 1723, 1654, 1596, 1451, 1385, 1251, 1143 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{21}\text{O}_4$: 313.1434; Found 313.1437.

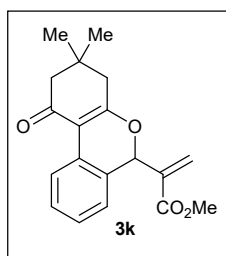


Methyl 2-(7,9-dimethyl-1-oxo-2,3,4,6-tetrahydro-1H-benzo[c]chromen-6-yl)acrylate 3i. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 3:7 EtOAc/hexane R_f = 0.53; yellow liquid; yield 72% (22 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.09 (s, 1H), 6.90 (s, 1H), 6.47 (s,

1H), 6.34 (s, 1H), 5.21 (s, 1H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 2.57-2.36 (m, 4H), 2.34 (s, 3H), 2.10 (s, 3H), 1.97-1.91 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.5, 170.9, 166.5, 138.4, 136.3, 133.0, 130.9, 130.1, 127.5, 123.8, 122.8, 112.8, 72.8, 52.5, 38.6, 29.6, 21.7, 20.1, 18.3; FT-IR (neat) 2951, 1726, 1657, 1609, 1375, 1274, 1190, 1136, 1072 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z* [M+H]⁺ calcd for C₁₉H₂₁O₄: 313.1434; Found 313.1430.

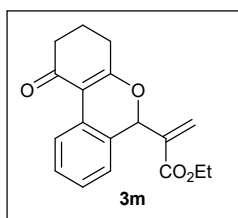


Methyl 2-(1-oxo-2,3,4,6-tetrahydro-1H-naphtho[2,3-c]chromen-6-yl)acrylate 3j and Methyl 2-(1-oxo-2,3,4,6-tetrahydro-1H-naphtho[2,1-c]chromen-6-yl)acrylate 3j`. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 3:7 EtOAc/hexane *R_f* = 0.52; brown liquid; yield 81% (27 mg); 2:1 mixture of regioisomers; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.96 (s, 1H, major), 8.56 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 0.5H, minor), 7.91-7.83 (m, 1.7H, major + minor), 7.71 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H, major), 7.55 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 0.5H, minor), 7.48-7.41 (m, 4.5H, major + minor), 7.15 (s, 0.5H, minor), 6.46 (s, 1H, major), 6.40 (s, 1H, major), 6.35 (s, 0.5H, minor), 5.43 (s, 1H, major), 5.18 (s, 0.5H, minor), 3.93 (s, 1.5H, minor), 3.85 (s, 3H, major), 2.66-2.45 (m, 6H, major + minor), 2.06-1.99 (m, 3H, major + minor); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.9 (major), 196.4 (minor), 172.1 (major), 171.4 (minor), 166.5 (minor), 166.2 (major), 138.2 (major), 135.7 (minor), 134.0 (major), 132.8 (minor), 132.3 (major), 131.6 (minor), 130.5 (major), 129.0 (major), 128.8 (minor), 128.7 (major), 127.5 (major), 126.9 (minor), 126.5 (major), 126.2 (minor), 126.1 (major), 125.6 (minor), 124.7 (minor), 124.3 (major), 124.2 (major), 123.7 (minor), 122.1 (major), 120.9 (minor), 113.0 (minor), 112.6 (major), 76.3 (major), 72.7 (minor), 52.6 (minor), 52.5 (major), 38.7 (major), 38.5 (minor), 29.7 (major), 29.6 (minor), 20.15 (major), 20.13 (minor); FT-IR (neat) 2955, 1728, 1655, 1585, 1398, 1191, 1073 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z* [M+H]⁺ calcd for C₂₁H₁₉O₄: 335.1278; Found 335.1279.



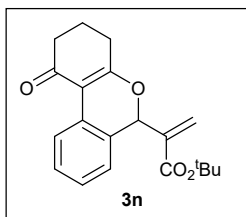
Methyl 2-(3,3-dimethyl-1-oxo-2,3,4,6-tetrahydro-1H-benzo[c]chromen-6-yl)acrylate 3k. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 3:7 EtOAc/hexane *R_f* = 0.60; brown sticky liquid; yield 91% (28 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.48 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.35 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.22 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.95 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.42 (s, 1H), 6.27 (s, 1H), 5.36

(s, 1H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 2.44-2.29 (m, 4H), 1.08 (s, 6H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 196.5, 170.3, 166.2, 138.0, 130.3, 129.0, 127.6, 127.3, 127.2, 125.2, 125.1, 111.4, 76.0, 52.4, 52.3, 43.2, 31.8, 29.0, 27.6; FT-IR (neat) 2956, 1726, 1657, 1602, 1443, 1382, 1287, 1149, 1035 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{21}\text{O}_4$: 313.1434; Found 313.1436.



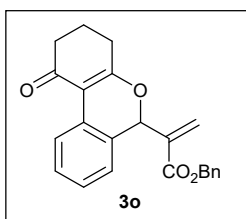
Ethyl 2-(1-oxo-2,3,4,6-tetrahydro-1H-benzo[c]chromen-6-yl)acrylate

3m. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 3:7 EtOAc/hexane R_f = 0.55; yellow liquid; yield 85% (25 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.40 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.35 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.22 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.94 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.42 (s, 1H), 6.26 (s, 1H), 5.39 (s, 1H), 4.33-4.27 (m, 2H), 2.60-2.39 (m, 4H), 2.02-1.95 (m, 2H), 1.33 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 196.5, 171.8, 165.7, 138.1, 130.0, 129.0, 127.7, 127.6, 127.3, 125.3, 125.1, 112.7, 76.1, 61.4, 38.5, 29.5, 20.1, 14.3; FT-IR (neat) 2949, 1720, 1658, 1599, 1490, 1385, 1287, 1178, 1106 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{19}\text{O}_4$: 299.1278; Found 299.1275.



tert-Butyl 2-(1-oxo-2,3,4,6-tetrahydro-1H-benzo[c]chromen-6-yl)-

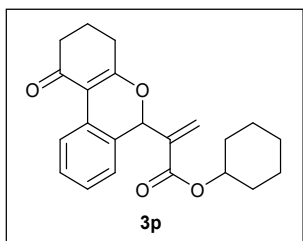
acrylate 3n. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 2:8 EtOAc/hexane R_f = 0.40; colorless liquid; yield 82% (27 mg); ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.38 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.34 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.22 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.95 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.31 (s, 1H), 6.20 (s, 1H), 5.30 (s, 1H), 2.55-2.43 (m, 4H), 2.00-1.96 (m, 2H), 1.51 (s, 9H); ^{13}C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 196.5, 171.9, 165.0, 139.5, 129.0, 128.9, 127.8, 127.6, 127.2, 125.3, 125.1, 112.6, 81.9, 76.4, 38.5, 29.4, 28.2, 20.1; FT-IR (neat) 2932, 1716, 1659, 1599, 1491, 1386, 1147, 1106 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{23}\text{O}_4$: 327.1591; Found 327.1585.



Benzyl 2-(1-oxo-2,3,4,6-tetrahydro-1H-benzo[c]chromen-6-yl)-

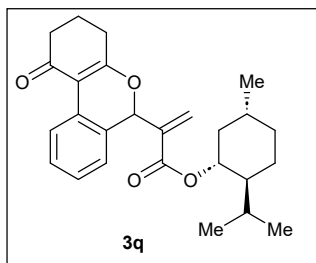
acrylate 3o. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 3:7 EtOAc/hexane R_f = 0.53; colorless liquid; yield

81% (29 mg); ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.40 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.38-7.34 (m, 6H), 7.21 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 6.93 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.46 (s, 1H), 6.28 (s, 1H), 5.40 (s, 1H), 5.29 (q, $J = 12.5$ Hz, 2H), 2.55-2.35 (m, 4H), 1.98-1.93 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 196.5, 171.7, 165.5, 137.9, 135.8, 130.7, 129.0, 128.7, 128.5, 128.3, 127.6, 127.4, 127.3, 125.4, 125.1, 112.6, 76.1, 67.1, 38.4, 29.4, 20.1; FT-IR (neat) 2927, 1722, 1657, 1599, 1384, 1148, 1106 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{21}\text{O}_4$: 361.1434; Found 361.1438.



Cyclohexyl 2-(1-oxo-2,3,4,6-tetrahydro-1H-benzo[c]chromen-6-

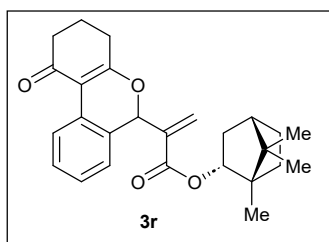
yl)acrylate 3p. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 2:8 EtOAc/hexane $R_f = 0.42$; brown liquid; yield 74% (26 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.40 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.34 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.21 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 6.95 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 6.40 (s, 1H), 6.24 (s, 1H), 5.37 (s, 1H), 4.97-4.91 (m, 1H), 2.57-2.42 (m, 4H), 2.02-1.96 (m, 2H), 1.90-1.83 (m, 2H), 1.74-1.68 (m, 2H), 1.53-1.28 (m, 6H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 196.5, 171.9, 165.1, 138.6, 129.7, 128.9, 127.7, 127.6, 127.2, 125.3, 125.1, 112.6, 76.4, 73.6, 38.5, 31.6, 31.5, 29.5, 25.5, 23.7, 23.6, 20.2; FT-IR (neat) 2936, 1718, 1655, 1597, 1452, 1386, 1285, 1179, 1008 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{25}\text{O}_4$: 353.1747; Found 353.1752.



(1R,2S,5R)-2-isoPropyl-5-methylcyclohexyl 2-(1-oxo-2,3,4,6-

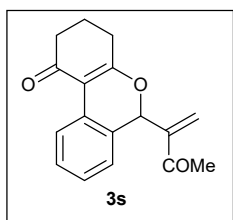
tetrahydro-1H-benzo[c]chromen-6-yl)acrylate 3q. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 2:8 EtOAc/hexane $R_f = 0.50$; yellow liquid; 1.2:1 mixture of diastereomers; yield 72% (29 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.41 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1.85H, major + minor), 7.35 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1.86H, major + minor), 7.21 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1.85H, major + minor), 6.97-6.95 (m, 1.88H, major + minor), 6.38 (s, 1.84H, major + minor), 6.26 (s, 1H, major), 6.23 (s, 0.82H, minor), 5.35 (s, 0.85H, minor), 5.30 (s, 1H, major), 4.88-4.80 (m, 1.86H, major + minor), 2.57-2.37 (m, 7.49H, major + minor), 2.09-2.06 (m, 1H, major), 2.02-1.97 (m, 4.53H, major + minor), 1.89-1.82 (m, 1.85H, major + minor), 1.72-1.68 (m, 3.79H, major + minor), 1.52-1.39 (m, 3.76H, major + minor), 1.10-1.00 (m, 3.74H, major + minor), 0.94-0.87 (m, 13H, major + minor), 0.79 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2.62H, minor), 0.75 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 3H, major); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 196.5

(major), 171.8 (minor), 171.6 (major), 165.4 (major), 165.3 (minor), 138.5 (major), 129.7 (minor), 129.5 (major), 128.9 (major), 127.7 (major), 127.6 (minor), 127.5 (major), 127.2 (major), 125.4 (major), 125.3 (minor), 125.1 (major), 125.0 (minor), 112.7 (minor), 112.5 (major), 76.4 (minor), 76.3 (major), 75.5 (major), 75.4 (minor), 47.2 (major), 47.1 (minor), 41.0 (major), 40.8 (minor), 38.5 (minor), 38.4 (major), 34.4 (major), 34.3 (minor), 31.6 (major), 31.5 (minor), 29.4 (major), 26.7 (minor), 26.1 (major), 23.7 (minor), 23.3 (major), 22.2 (major), 22.1 (minor), 21.0 (major), 20.8 (minor), 20.2 (major), 20.1 (minor), 16.7 (minor), 16.2 (major); FT-IR (neat) 2954, 1719, 1659, 1599, 1455, 1386, 1179 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{33}\text{O}_4$: 409.2373; Found 409.2372.



(1*S*,2*R*,4*S*)-1,7,7-trimethylbicyclo[2.2.1]heptan-2-yl 2-(1-oxo-

2,3,4,6-tetrahydro-1*H*-benzo[*c*]chromen-6-yl)acrylate 3r. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 2:8 EtOAc/hexane R_f = 0.45; yellow liquid; 1:1 mixture of diastereomers; yield 68% (28 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.42 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.37 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.24 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.00-6.97 (m, 2H), 6.49-6.48 (m, 2H), 6.25-6.23 (m, 2H), 5.42 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 5.08-5.00 (m, 2H), 2.61-2.52 (m, 4H), 2.48-2.41 (m, 4H), 2.04-1.98 (m, 4H), 1.92- 1.71 (m, 10H), 1.15-1.06 (m, 2H), 0.95-0.94 (m, 6H), 0.90-0.83 (m, 14H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 196.5 (major), 171.8 (major), 166.0 (minor), 138.3 (major), 138.2 (minor), 130.3 (major), 130.2 (minor), 128.93 (major), 128.91 (minor), 127.7 (major), 127.66 (minor), 127.61 (major), 127.58 (minor), 127.2 (major), 125.3 (major), 125.0 (minor), 124.9 (major), 112.6 (major), 81.3 (major), 81.2 (minor), 76.8 (major), 76.6 (minor), 49.2 (major), 49.0 (minor), 48.0 (major), 45.1 (major), 45.0 (minor), 38.5 (major), 36.9 (major), 29.5 (major), 29.4 (minor), 28.2 (major), 28.1 (minor), 27.4 (major), 27.3 (minor), 20.2 (major), 19.8 (major), 19.0 (major), 13.7 (major), 13.6 (minor); FT-IR (neat) 2954, 1714, 1598, 1453, 1386, 1259, 1221, 1013 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{31}\text{O}_4$: 407.2217; Found 407.2219.



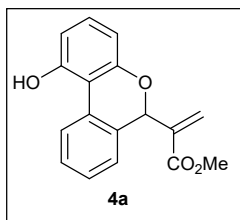
6-(3-Oxobut-1-en-2-yl)-2,3,4,6-tetrahydro-1*H*-benzo[*c*]chromen-1-one

3s. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 3:7 EtOAc/hexane R_f = 0.45; colorless liquid; yield 46% (12 mg); ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.38 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.34 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (t,

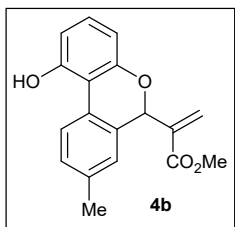
$J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 6.87 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.36 (s, 1H), 6.30 (s, 1H), 5.62 (s, 1H), 2.58-2.54 (m, 2H), 2.50-2.38 (m, 5H), 2.00-1.95 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 198.0, 196.4, 172.0, 145.6, 129.9, 128.9, 127.9, 127.6, 127.3, 125.3, 125.1, 112.6, 74.9, 38.5, 29.5, 26.6, 20.1; FT-IR (neat) 2952, 1715, 1651, 1596, 1389, 1285, 1151 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{17}\text{O}_3$: 269.1172; Found 269.1171.

Scale-up Synthesis of 3a. In a pressure tube, 6-hydroxy-4,5-dihydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2(3*H*)-one **1a** (376 mg, 2 mmol), methyl 2-(acetoxymethyl)acrylate **2a** (474 mg, 3 mmol), $\text{Pd}(\text{OAc})_2$ (45 mg, 10 mol%) and $\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ (799 mg, 4 mmol) were stirred in H_2O (20 mL) at 110 °C for 6 h. The work up and purification were performed as described in the general procedure to produce **3a** in 72% (409 mg) yield.

General Procedure for the Pd-Catalyzed Dehydrogenative C-H Functionalization and Annulation of 2-Aryl-3-hydroxy-2-cyclohexenones with MBH Adducts. In a pressure tube, 2-aryl-3-hydroxy-2-cyclohexenone **1** (0.1 mmol), MBH adduct **2** (0.15 mmol), $\text{Pd}(\text{OAc})_2$ (2 mg, 10 mol%) and $\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ (40 mg, 0.2 mmol) were stirred in $\text{DMF}:\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (9:1) (1 mL) at 120 °C for 8 h. After completion (monitored by TLC), the reaction mixture was quenched with ice-cold water (10 mL) and extracted with EtOAc (3 x 10 mL). The combined organic layer was washed with brine (1 x 10 mL) and dried (Na_2SO_4). Evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography using hexane and EtOAc as an eluent to afford **4**.

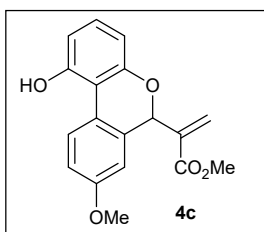


Methyl 2-(1-hydroxy-6*H*-benzo[*c*]chromen-6-yl)acrylate 4a. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 3:7 EtOAc/hexane $R_f = 0.48$; colorless solid; mp = 187 °C; yield 78% (22 mg); ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.41 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.40 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.29-7.26 (m, 1H), 7.09 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.03 (t, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.58 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 6.46 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.35 (s, 1H), 6.11 (s, 1H), 5.50 (s, 1H), 5.48 (bs, 1H), 3.83 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.6, 154.8, 153.7, 138.5, 132.2, 129.7, 129.3, 128.9, 128.7, 127.4, 126.5, 125.9, 111.4, 110.9, 110.4, 74.8, 52.4; FT-IR (neat) 3402, 2952, 1708, 1602, 1439, 1278, 1152, 1036 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{15}\text{O}_4$: 283.0965; Found 283.0966.



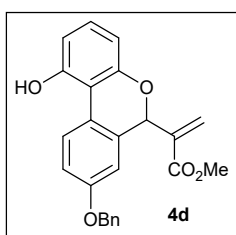
Methyl 2-(1-hydroxy-8-methyl-6H-benzo[c]chromen-6-yl)-acrylate 4b.

Analytical TLC on silica gel, 3:7 EtOAc/hexane R_f = 0.50; brown sticky liquid; yield 81% (24 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.28 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.00 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.91 (s, 1H), 6.56 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.45 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.34 (s, 1H), 6.08 (s, 1H), 5.48 (s, 1H), 5.42 (s, 1H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 2.36 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.7, 154.5, 153.5, 138.6, 137.3, 132.2, 129.7, 129.4, 128.8, 126.5, 126.4, 126.1, 111.5, 110.8, 110.3, 74.8, 52.3, 21.4; FT-IR (neat) 3413, 2952, 1710, 1612, 1458, 1344, 1278, 1130, 1041 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{17}\text{O}_4$: 297.1121; Found 297.1118.



Methyl 2-(1-hydroxy-8-methoxy-6H-benzo[c]chromen-6-yl)acrylate 4c.

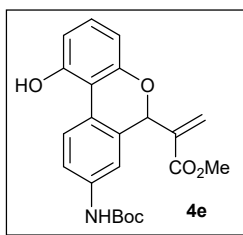
Analytical TLC on silica gel, 3:7 EtOAc/hexane R_f = 0.43; brown liquid; yield 85% (27 mg); ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.36 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 6.98 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.93 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 6.66 (s, 1H), 6.56 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.44 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.34 (s, 1H), 6.09 (s, 1H), 5.48 (s, 1H), 5.35 (bs, 1H), 3.83-3.82 (m, 6H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.6, 158.9, 154.0, 153.0, 138.3, 133.9, 129.7, 128.3, 128.1, 121.7, 113.9, 111.5, 111.3, 110.9, 110.3, 74.8, 55.5, 52.3; FT-IR (neat) 3410, 2928, 1715, 1613, 1466, 1270, 1152, 1033 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{17}\text{O}_5$: 313.1071; Found 313.1068.



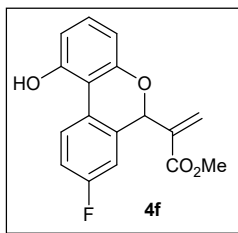
Methyl 2-(8-(benzyloxy)-1-hydroxy-6H-benzo[c]chromen-6-yl)-acrylate 4d.

Analytical TLC on silica gel, 3:7 EtOAc/hexane R_f = 0.50; colorless solid; mp = 160 $^{\circ}\text{C}$; yield 82% (32 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.36 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.44-7.37 (m, 4H), 7.33 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.02-6.95 (m, 2H), 6.73 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 6.56 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.44 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.35 (s, 1H), 6.07 (s, 1H), 5.50-5.46 (m, 2H), 5.08 (s, 2H), 3.82 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.6, 158.0, 154.0, 153.1, 138.3, 136.8, 133.9, 129.8, 128.8, 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 127.7, 122.0, 114.8, 112.4, 111.3, 110.7, 110.4, 74.8, 70.2,

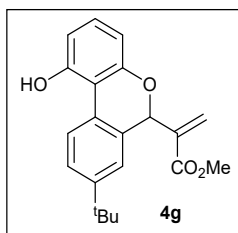
52.4; FT-IR (neat) 3405, 2927, 1702, 1613, 1466, 1270, 1147, 1027 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{21}\text{O}_5$: 389.1384; Found 389.1385.



Methyl 2-(8-((*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)amino)-1-hydroxy-6*H*-benzo[*c*]-chromen-6-yl)acrylate 4e. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 3:7 EtOAc/hexane R_f = 0.35; brown liquid; yield 79% (31 mg); ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.37 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.30 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.22 (s, 1H), 6.97 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.56-6.54 (m, 2H), 6.44 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.31 (s, 1H), 6.10 (s, 1H), 5.82 (bs, 1H), 5.44 (s, 1H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 1.53 (s, 9H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.6, 154.1, 153.5, 152.8, 138.2, 137.4, 133.0, 129.9, 128.6, 127.6, 124.0, 118.5, 115.7, 111.1, 110.7, 110.4, 81.0, 74.7, 52.3, 28.5; FT-IR (neat) 3336, 2978, 1704, 1527, 1459, 1416, 1244, 1158, 1062, cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{23}\text{NO}_6\text{Na}$: 420.1418; Found 420.1416.

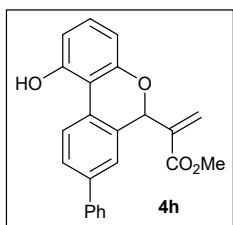


Methyl 2-(8-fluoro-1-hydroxy-6*H*-benzo[*c*]chromen-6-yl)acrylate 4f. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 3:7 EtOAc/hexane R_f = 0.48; colorless solid; mp = 171 $^\circ\text{C}$; yield 74% (22 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.44 (dd, J = 9.2, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 7.08 (td, J = 8.8, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 7.02 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.81 (dd, J = 8.8, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 6.58 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.46 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.39 (s, 1H), 6.07 (s, 1H), 5.55 (s, 1H), 5.49 (bs, 1H), 3.84 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.4, 162.8 ($J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 246.2 Hz), 154.4, 153.4, 138.0, 134.5 ($J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 7 Hz), 129.9, 129.1, 128.8 ($J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 7.7 Hz), 125.2 ($J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 3.2 Hz), 115.5 ($J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 20.6 Hz), 112.9 ($J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 22.5 Hz), 110.8, 110.7, 110.4, 74.6 ($J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 2.0 Hz), 52.4; ^{19}F NMR (470 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -113.98; FT-IR (neat) 3406, 2952, 1707, 1612, 1467, 1272, 1152, 1038 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{14}\text{FO}_4$: 301.0871; Found 301.0871.



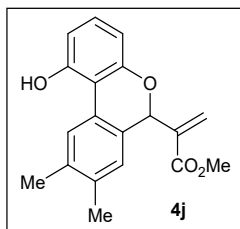
Methyl 2-(8-(*tert*-butyl)-1-hydroxy-6*H*-benzo[*c*]chromen-6-yl)acrylate 4g. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 3:7 EtOAc/hexane R_f = 0.55; colorless solid; mp = 143 $^\circ\text{C}$;

yield 74% (25 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.31 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.42 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.12 (s, 1H), 7.00 (t, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.56 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 6.45 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.31 (s, 1H), 6.13 (s, 1H), 5.44-5.42 (m, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 1.32 (s, 9H); ^{13}C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.8, 154.4, 153.5, 150.6, 138.6, 131.7, 129.6, 128.9, 126.1, 126.0, 125.7, 122.9, 111.3, 110.8, 110.2, 75.1, 52.3, 34.8, 31.4; FT-IR (neat) 3408, 2959, 1708, 1613, 1462, 1277, 1220, 1039 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{23}\text{O}_4$: 339.1591; Found 339.1598.



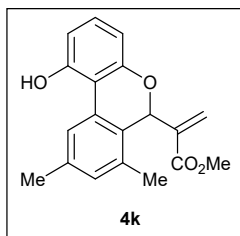
Methyl 2-(1-hydroxy-8-phenyl-6H-benzo[c]chromen-6-yl)acrylate 4h.

Analytical TLC on silica gel, 3:7 EtOAc/hexane $R_f = 0.50$; brown sticky liquid; yield 81% (29 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.49 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.63 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.62-7.60 (m, 2H), 7.45 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.37-7.34 (m, 2H), 7.04 (t, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.60 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.47 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.37 (s, 1H), 6.20 (s, 1H), 5.54 (s, 1H), 5.40 (bs, 1H), 3.84 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.6, 154.7, 153.7, 140.5, 140.1, 138.5, 132.6, 129.8, 129.3, 129.0, 128.0, 127.6, 127.3, 127.1, 127.0, 124.4, 111.2, 111.0, 110.4, 75.0, 52.4; FT-IR (neat) 3406, 2926, 1706, 1596, 1464, 1443, 1277, 1132, 1032 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{19}\text{O}_4$: 359.1278; Found 359.1268.



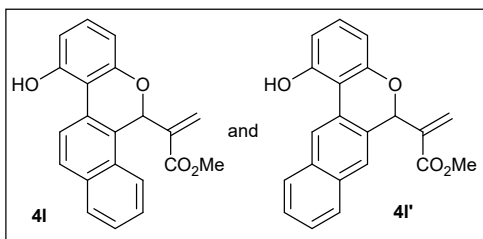
Methyl 2-(1-hydroxy-8,9-dimethyl-6H-benzo[c]chromen-6-yl)acrylate 4j.

4j. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 3:7 EtOAc/hexane $R_f = 0.51$; brown liquid; yield 83% (26 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.17 (s, 1H), 6.99 (t, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.86 (s, 1H), 6.55 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.45 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.33 (s, 1H), 6.06 (s, 1H), 5.48 (s, 1H), 5.40 (s, 1H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 2.32 (s, 3H), 2.26 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.7, 154.6, 153.4, 138.7, 136.9, 136.0, 129.9, 129.6, 128.7, 127.3, 127.1, 126.4, 111.5, 110.8, 110.3, 74.6, 52.3, 20.2, 19.8; FT-IR (neat) 3214, 2950, 1705, 1610, 1445, 1339, 1273, 1148, 1042 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{19}\text{O}_4$: 311.1278; Found 311.1275.



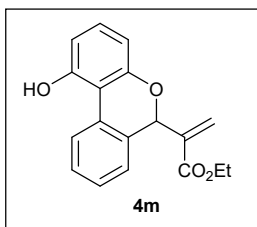
Methyl 2-(1-hydroxy-7,9-dimethyl-6H-benzo[c]chromen-6-yl)acrylate

4k. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 3:7 EtOAc/hexane R_f = 0.51; brown sticky liquid; yield 71% (22 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.08 (s, 1H), 7.01-6.97 (m, 2H), 6.52 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.43 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.35 (s, 1H), 6.20 (s, 1H), 5.30 (bs, 1H), 5.20 (s, 1H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 2.19 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.8, 153.8, 153.4, 138.0, 137.0, 133.9, 130.3, 129.9, 129.1, 128.7, 127.7, 124.7, 111.7, 111.3, 110.4, 71.5, 52.3, 21.8, 18.6; FT-IR (neat) 3423, 2925, 1726, 1609, 1428, 1346, 1286, 1139, 1040 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{19}\text{O}_4$: 311.1278; Found 311.1264.



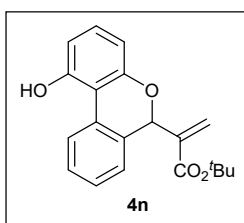
Methyl 2-(1-hydroxy-6H-naphtho[2,1-c]chromen-6-yl)acrylate 4l and Methyl 2-(1-hydroxy-6H-naphtho[2,3-c]chromen-6-yl)acrylate 4l'.

Analytical TLC on silica gel, 3:7 EtOAc/hexane R_f = 0.50; brown sticky liquid; 1.2:1 mixture of regioisomers; yield 80% (27 mg); ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.91 (s, 0.86H, minor), 8.61 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H, major), 7.91-7.87 (m, 3.20H, major + minor), 7.78 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 0.88H, minor), 7.71 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H, major), 7.56 (s, 1H, minor), 7.51-7.46 (m, 3.71H, major + minor), 7.07 (q, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H, major + minor), 7.02 (s, 1H, major), 6.64-6.61 (m, 1.86H, major + minor), 6.54 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 0.87H, minor), 6.48 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H, major), 6.40 (s, 0.88H, minor), 6.26 (s, 0.85H, minor), 6.22 (s, 1H, major), 5.67 (bs, 0.71H, major), 5.53-5.52 (m, 1.63H, major + minor), 5.18 (s, 1H, major), 3.92 (s, 3H, major), 3.85 (s, 2.59H, minor); ^{13}C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.9 (major), 166.6 (minor), 155.3 (minor), 154.1 (major), 153.6 (minor), 153.5 (major), 139.0 (minor), 136.4 (major), 133.8 (major), 132.6 (major), 132.3 (minor), 131.5 (minor), 130.7 (major), 129.8 (minor), 129.6 (major), 129.4 (minor), 129.3 (major), 128.7 (minor), 128.6 (major), 128.5 (minor), 127.7 (major), 127.1 (minor), 127.0 (major), 126.5 (minor), 126.46 (major), 126.44 (minor), 126.40 (major), 126.0 (major), 125.7 (minor), 124.7 (minor), 124.6 (major), 122.8 (minor), 111.7 (major), 111.6 (minor), 111.2 (major), 111.1 (minor), 110.5 (major), 75.3 (minor), 71.4 (major), 52.5 (major), 52.4 (minor); FT-IR (neat) 3406, 3057, 2952, 1708, 1610, 1462, 1336, 1280, 1144 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{17}\text{O}_4$: 333.1121; Found 333.1115.



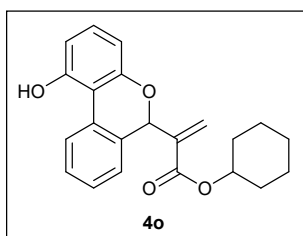
Ethyl 2-(1-hydroxy-6H-benzo[c]chromen-6-yl)acrylate 4m.

Analytical TLC on silica gel, 3:7 EtOAc/hexane R_f = 0.53; colorless liquid; yield 76% (23 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.40 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.30-7.26 (m, 1H), 7.10 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.04 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.60 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.46 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.35 (s, 1H), 6.11 (s, 1H), 5.50 (s, 1H), 5.30 (bs, 1H), 4.30 (q, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 1.32 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.1, 154.9, 153.6, 138.9, 132.3, 129.3, 129.2, 128.9, 128.6, 127.4, 126.4, 125.9, 111.4, 110.9, 110.3, 74.9, 61.2, 14.4; FT-IR (neat) 3402, 2986, 1701, 1609, 1439, 1277, 1150, 1029 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{17}\text{O}_4$: 297.1121; Found 297.1125.



tert-Butyl 2-(1-hydroxy-6H-benzo[c]chromen-6-yl)acrylate 4n.

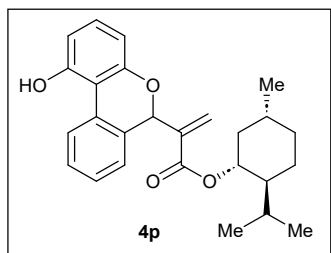
Analytical TLC on silica gel, 2:8 EtOAc/hexane R_f = 0.38; yellow liquid; yield 70% (23 mg); ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.39 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.29-7.26 (m, 1H), 7.10 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.03 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.58 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.46 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.24 (s, 1H), 6.05 (s, 1H), 5.45 (bs, 1H), 5.42 (s, 1H), 1.52 (s, 9H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 165.4, 155.1, 153.7, 140.4, 132.7, 129.2, 128.9, 128.5, 128.0, 127.3, 126.4, 125.9, 111.5, 110.8, 110.3, 81.6, 75.1, 28.2; FT-IR (neat) 3397, 2980, 2932, 1697, 1602, 1439, 1282, 1149, 1031 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{21}\text{O}_4$: 325.1434; Found 325.1436.



Cyclohexyl 2-(1-hydroxy-6H-benzo[c]chromen-6-yl)acrylate 4o.

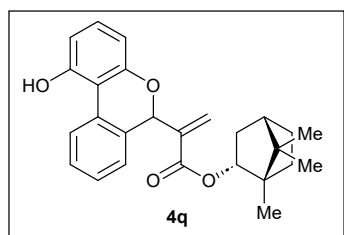
Analytical TLC on silica gel, 2:8 EtOAc/hexane R_f = 0.40; brown sticky liquid; yield 73% (26 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.40 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.29-7.25 (m, 1H), 7.10 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.03 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.57 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.46 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.34 (s, 1H), 6.10 (s, 1H), 5.48-5.46 (m, 2H), 4.98-4.91 (m, 1H), 1.90-1.86 (m, 2H), 1.74-1.70 (m, 2H), 1.53-1.32 (m, 6H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 165.6, 155.0,

153.7, 139.4, 132.5, 129.3, 128.9, 128.8, 128.6, 127.3, 126.4, 125.9, 111.5, 110.8, 110.3, 75.1, 73.5, 31.6, 25.5, 23.7; FT-IR (neat) 3394, 2936, 2859, 1695, 1609, 1439, 1277, 1164, 1031 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z $[M+H]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{23}\text{O}_4$: 351.1591; Found 351.1593.



(1R,2S,5R)-2-isopropyl-5-methylcyclohexyl 2-(1-hydroxy-6H-

benzo[c]chromen-6-yl)acrylate 4p. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 2:8 EtOAc/hexane R_f = 0.48; yellow liquid; 1:1 mixture of diastereomers; yield 66% (27 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.40 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 2H), 7.40 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.29-7.26 (m, 2H), 7.10 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.02 (td, J = 8.4, 2.8 Hz, 2H), 6.54 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.46 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.30 (s, 1H), 6.28 (s, 1H), 6.11 (s, 2H), 5.42-5.40 (m, 4H), 4.89-4.81 (m, 2H), 2.09-1.99 (m, 3H), 1.83-1.79 (m, 1H), 1.71-1.66 (m, 4H), 1.52-1.37 (m, 4H), 1.10-1.00 (m, 4H), 0.93-0.89 (m, 10H), 0.84 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 4H), 0.78 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 6H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 165.8 (major), 165.7 (minor), 154.9 (major), 153.7 (major), 153.6 (minor), 139.5 (minor), 139.4 (major), 132.4 (minor), 132.3 (major), 129.3 (major), 129.2 (minor), 129.0 (minor), 128.9 (major), 128.8 (major), 128.6 (minor), 128.5 (major), 127.3 (major), 126.4 (major), 125.94 (minor), 125.92 (major), 111.5 (major), 111.4 (minor), 110.8 (major), 110.7 (minor), 110.3 (major), 110.2 (minor), 77.4 (major), 75.3 (minor), 75.1 (major), 75.0 (minor), 47.2 (major), 47.1 (minor), 40.9 (major), 34.4 (major), 31.58 (major), 31.56 (minor), 26.4 (minor), 26.1 (major), 23.6 (minor), 23.4 (major), 22.2 (major), 21.0 (major), 20.9 (minor), 16.6 (minor), 16.3 (major); FT-IR (neat) 3390, 2955, 2868, 1689, 1630, 1437, 1278, 1167 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z $[M+H]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{31}\text{O}_4$: 407.2217; Found 407.2216.



(1S,2R,4S)-1,7,7-trimethylbicyclo[2.2.1]heptan-2-yl 2-(1-

hydroxy-6H-benzo[c]chromen-6-yl)acrylate 4q. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 2:8 EtOAc/hexane R_f = 0.43; colorless solid; mp = 201 $^{\circ}\text{C}$; 1:1 mixture of diastereomers; yield 62% (25 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.40 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.42-7.38 (m, 2H), 7.30-7.26 (m, 2H), 7.12-7.10 (m, 2H), 7.03 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.58 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.47 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.38-6.37 (m, 2H), 6.08-6.07 (m, 2H), 5.50-5.42 (m, 4H), 5.05-5.00 (m, 2H), 2.46-2.38 (m, 2H), 1.94-1.84 (m, 2H), 1.76-1.70 (m, 6H), 1.08-1.01 (m, 2H), 0.93-0.92 (m,

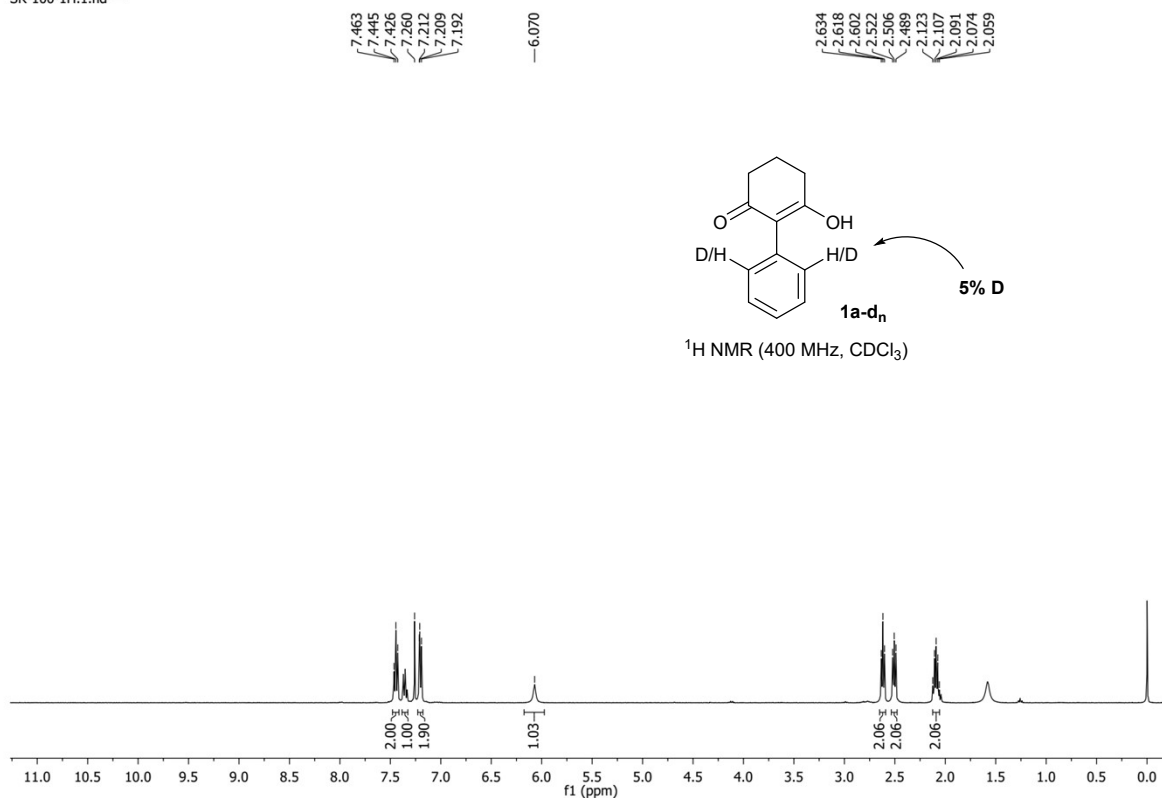
6H), 0.87-0.84 (m, 14H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.44 (major), 166.43 (minor), 155.0 (minor), 153.6 (major), 139.3 (minor), 139.2 (major), 132.5 (minor), 132.4 (major), 129.3 (major), 129.2 (major), 128.9 (minor), 128.6 (major), 127.3 (major), 126.4 (major), 125.84 (minor), 125.81 (major), 111.4 (minor), 110.8 (major), 110.7 (minor), 110.3 (major), 81.0 (major), 80.9 (minor), 77.4 (major), 75.3 (major), 75.2 (minor), 49.2 (major), 49.1 (minor), 48.0 (major), 45.1 (major), 45.0 (minor), 37.0 (major), 36.9 (minor), 28.2 (minor), 28.1 (major), 27.37 (minor), 27.36 (major), 19.8 (major), 19.0 (major), 13.68 (major), 13.67 (minor); FT-IR (neat) 3396, 2954, 1697, 1595, 1438, 1278, 1235, 1032 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{28}\text{NaO}_4$: 427.1880; Found 427.1862.

Scale-up Synthesis of 4a. In a pressure tube, 6-hydroxy-4,5-dihydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2(3*H*)-one **1a** (376 mg, 2 mmol), methyl 2-(acetoxymethyl)acrylate **2a** (474 mg, 3 mmol), $\text{Pd}(\text{OAc})_2$ (45 mg, 10 mol%) and $\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ (799 mg, 4 mmol) were stirred in $\text{DMF}:\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (9:1) (20 mL) at 120 °C for 8 h. The work up and purification were carried out as described in the general procedure to afford **4a** in 67% (378 mg) yield.

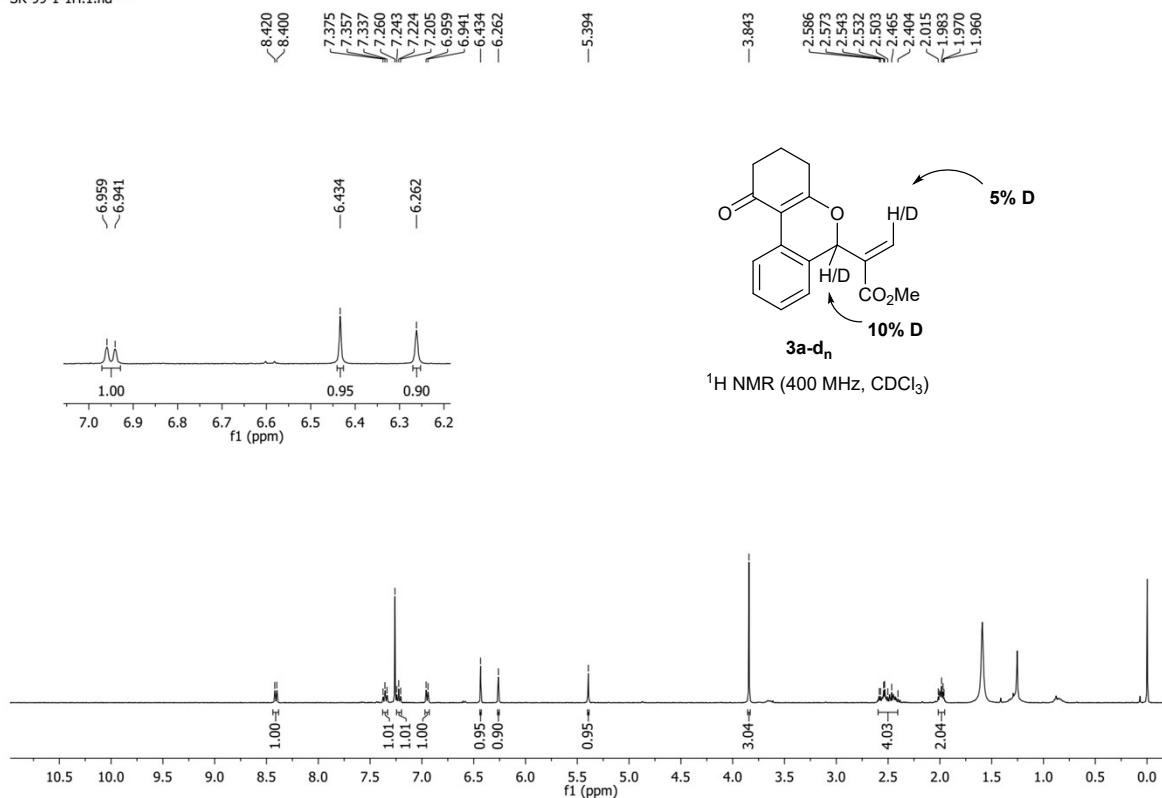
Mechanistic Investigations

Non-dehydrogenative C-H Functionalization/Annulation

H/D Exchange Experiment of 1a with D_2O in Absence of 2a. In a pressure tube, **1a** (19 mg, 0.1 mmol), $\text{Pd}(\text{OAc})_2$ (2 mg, 10 mol %) and $\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ (40 mg, 0.2 mmol) were stirred in D_2O (1 mL) at 110 °C temperature for 15 mins and extracted with EtOAc (2 x 10 mL). The combined organic layer was washed with brine (1 x 10 mL) and dried (Na_2SO_4). Evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography using hexane and EtOAc as an eluent to afford **1a- d_n** . Deuterium incorporation in **1a- d_n** was observed from 400 MHz ^1H NMR spectrum.

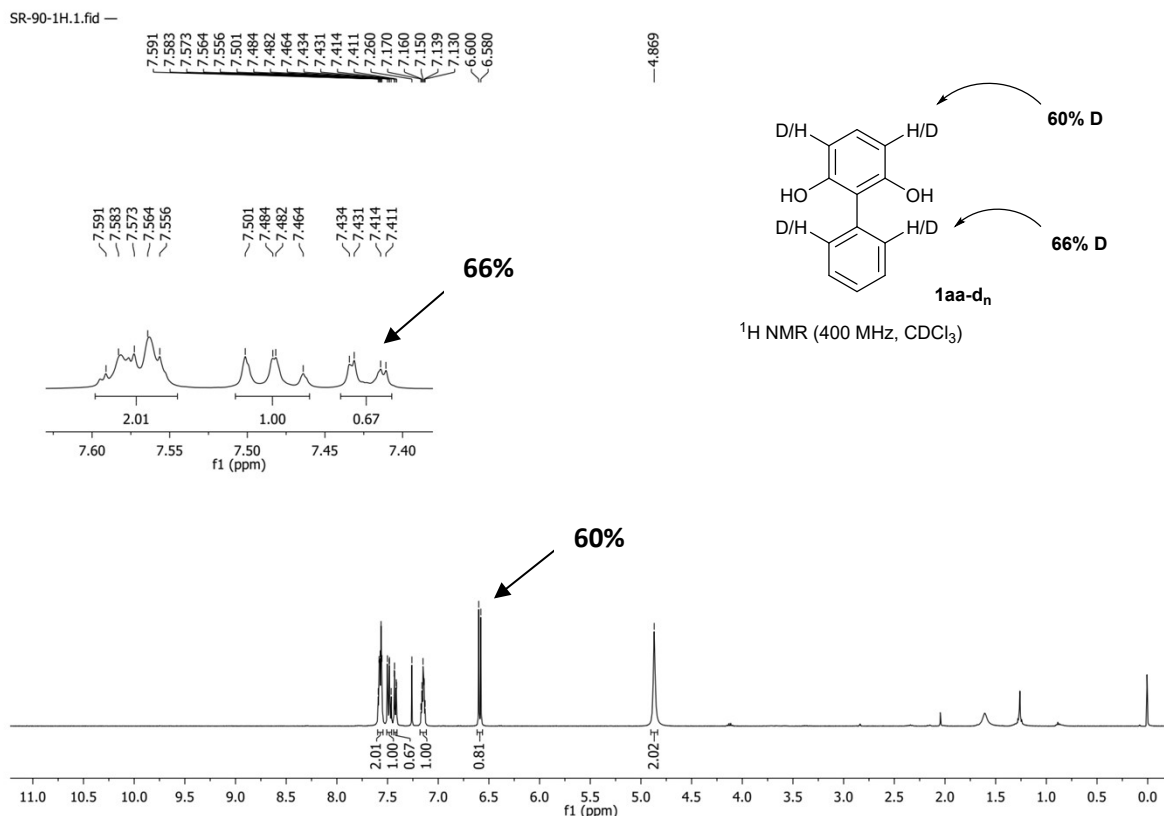


H/D Exchange Experiment of 1a with D₂O in Presence of 2a. In a pressure tube, **1a** (19 mg, 0.1 mmol), **2a** (24 mg, 0.15 mmol), Pd(OAc)₂ (2 mg, 10 mol %) and Cu(OAc)₂·H₂O (40 mg, 0.2 mmol) were stirred in D₂O (1 mL) at 110 °C for 2 h and extracted with EtOAc (2 x 10 mL). The combined organic layer was washed with brine (1 x 10 mL) and dried (Na₂SO₄). Evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography using hexane and EtOAc as an eluent to afford **3a-d_n**. Deuterium incorporation in **3a-d_n** was observed from 400 MHz ¹H NMR spectrum.

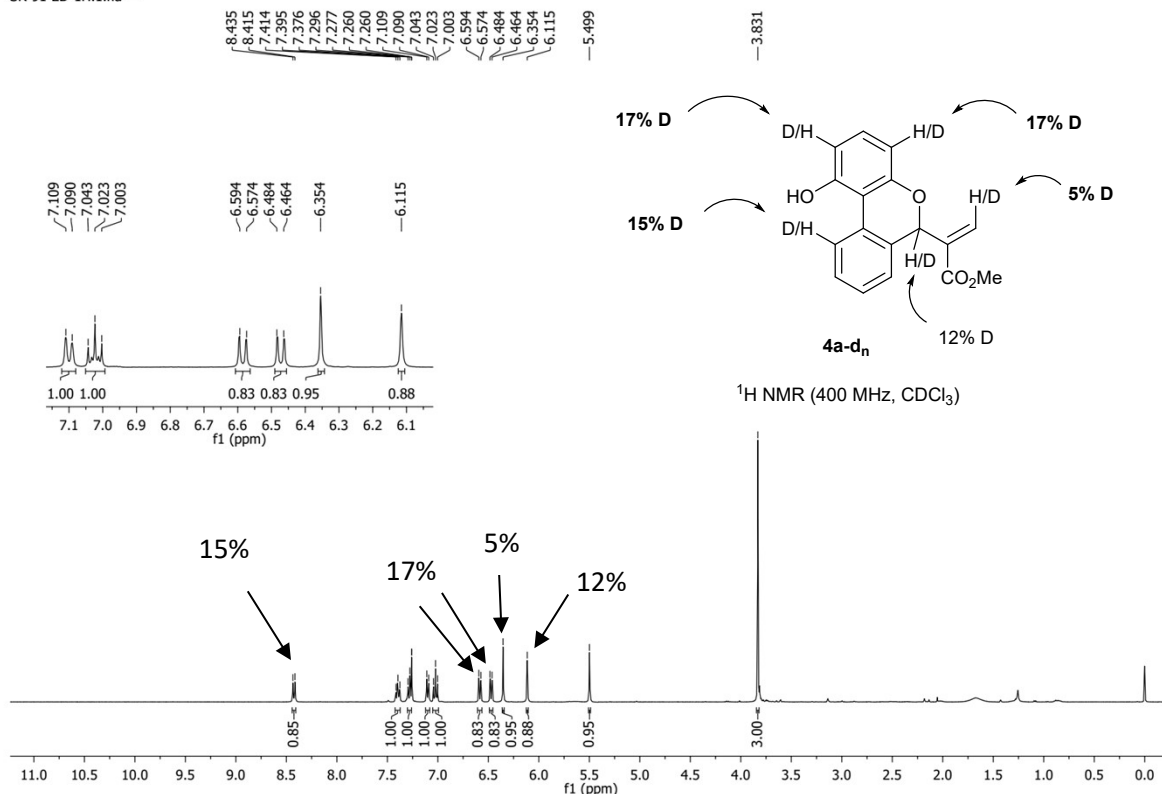


Dehydrogenative C-H Functionalization/Annulation

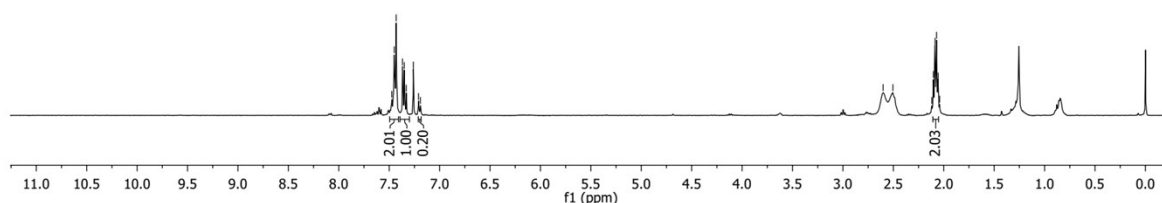
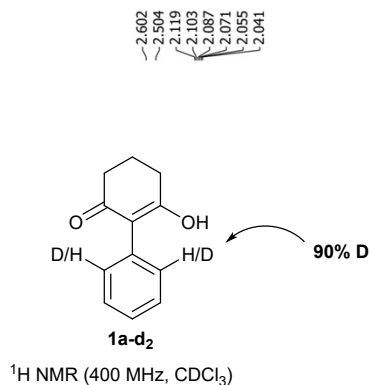
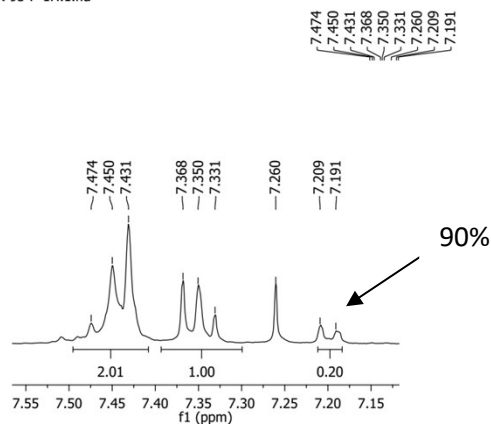
H/D Exchange Experiment of 1a with D₂O in Absence of 2a. In a pressure tube, **1a** (19 mg, 0.1 mmol), Pd(OAc)₂ (2 mg, 10 mol %) and Cu(OAc)₂·H₂O (40 mg, 0.2 mmol) were stirred in DMF:D₂O (9:1) (1 mL) at 120 °C for 15 mins, quenched with ice-cold water (5 mL) and extracted with EtOAc (2 x 10 mL). The combined organic layer was washed with brine (1 x 10 mL) and dried (Na₂SO₄). Evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography to afford **1aa-d_n**. Deuterium incorporation in **1aa-d_n** was observed from 400 MHz ¹H NMR spectrum.



H/D Exchange Experiment of **1a with D₂O in Presence of **2a**.** In a pressure tube, **1a** (19 mg, 0.1 mmol), **2a** (24 mg, 0.15 mmol), Pd(OAc)₂ (2 mg, 10 mol %) and Cu(OAc)₂·H₂O (40 mg, 0.2 mmol) were stirred in DMF:D₂O (9:1) (1 mL) at 120 °C for 2 h. The reaction mixture was quenched with ice-cold water (5 mL) and extracted with EtOAc (2 x 10 mL). The combined organic layer was washed with brine (1 x 10 mL) and dried (Na₂SO₄). Evaporation of the solvent gave a residue, which was purified on silica gel column chromatography to afford **4a-d_n**. Deuterium incorporation in **4a-d_n** was observed from 400 MHz ¹H NMR spectrum.



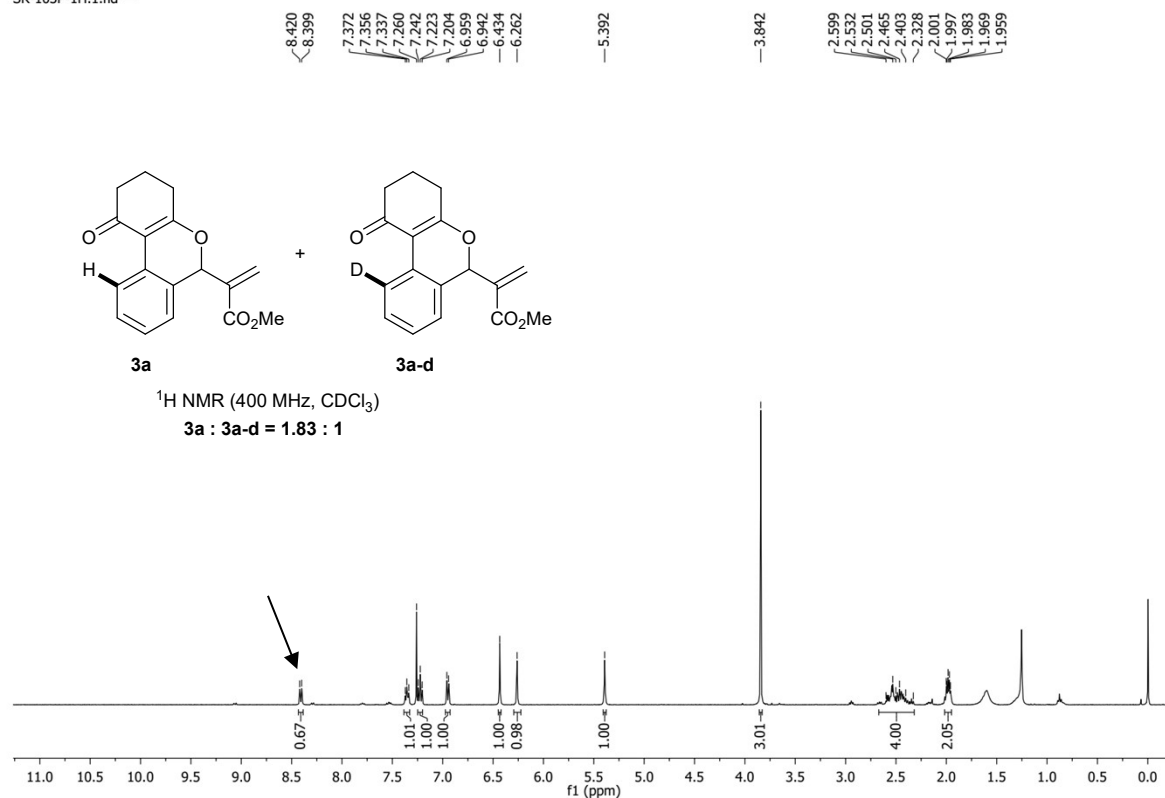
Preparation of 6-Hydroxy-4,5-dihydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2(3H)-one-2',6'-d₂ **1a-d₂.**^{1c} In a pressure tube, 6-hydroxy-4,5-dihydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2(3H)-one **1a** (39.6 mg, 0.2 mmol), [Ru(*p*-cymene)Cl₂]₂ (6.2 mg, 5.0 mol %), KOAc (19.6 mg, 0.2 mmol), AcOH (11 μL, 0.2 mmol) and D₂O (100 μL) were stirred in 1,2-dichloroethane (1 mL) at 100 °C for 24 h. After completion (monitored by TLC), the reaction mixture was extracted with EtOAc (3 x 10 mL), washed with brine (1 x 10 mL) and dried (Na₂SO₄). Evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography using hexane and EtOAc as an eluent to afford the **1a-d₂** with 90% deuteration at the *ortho*-position of the aryl ring (see the following ¹H NMR spectrum).



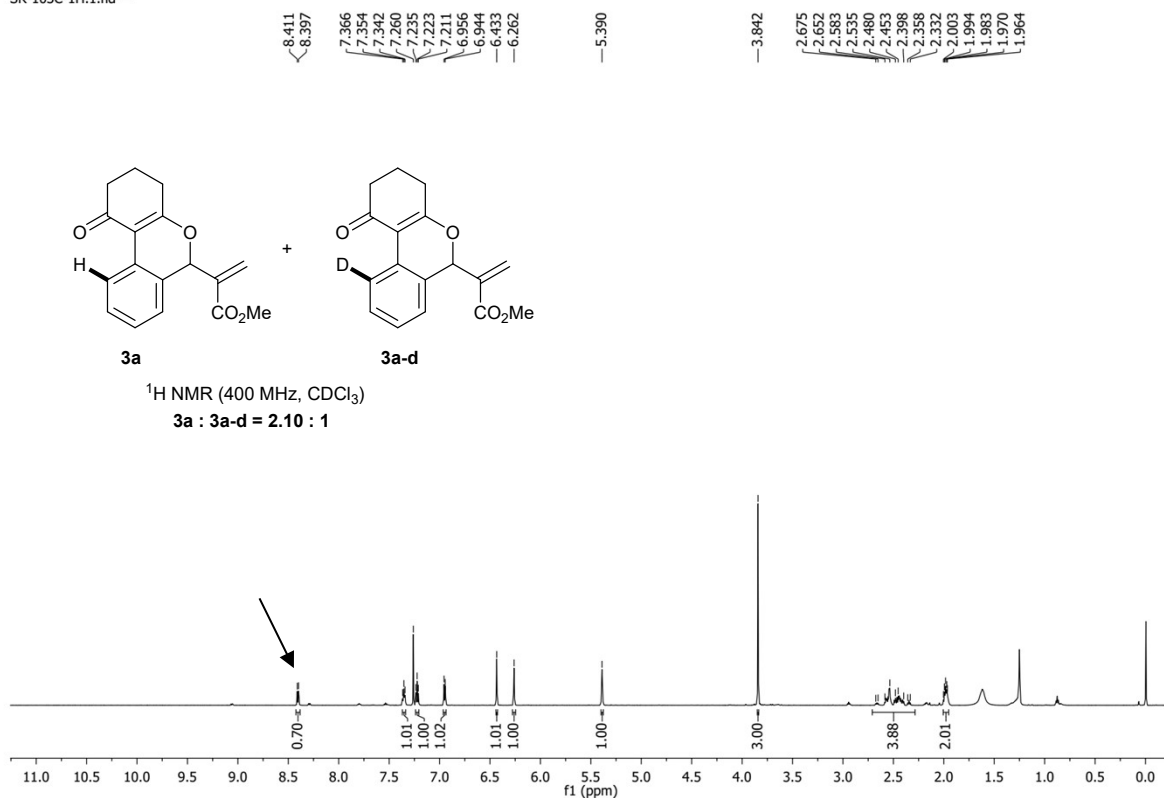
Kinetic Isotope Effect Experiments

Non-Dehydrogenative C-H Functionalization/Annulation

Parallel Reactions. In a pressure tube, 6-hydroxy-4,5-dihydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2(3*H*)-one **1a** (18.8 mg, 0.1 mmol) and 6-hydroxy-4,5-dihydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2(3*H*)-one-2',6'-*d*₂ **1a-d₂** (19.0 mg, 0.1 mmol) [90% D] were separately reacted with methyl 2-(acetoxymethyl)acrylate **2a** (24 mg, 0.15 mmol) in H₂O (1 mL) for 2 h at the standard conditions A. Then the reaction mixture was extracted with EtOAc (3 x 10 mL). The combined organic layer was washed with brine (1 x 10 mL) and dried (Na₂SO₄). Evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography to give **3a** and **3a-d**, whose 400 MHz ¹H NMR analysis showed $k_H/k_D = 1.83$.

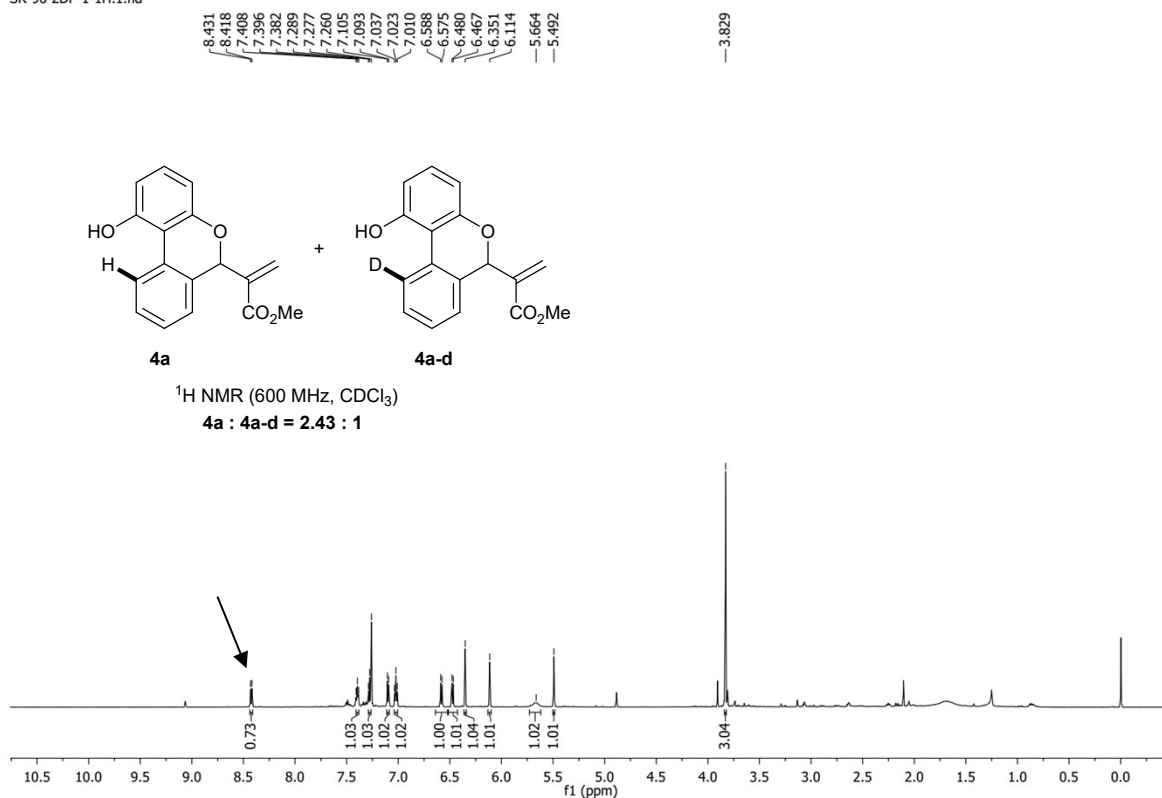


Competitive Reactions: In a pressure tube, a mixture of 6-hydroxy-4,5-dihydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2(3H)-one **1a** (18.8 mg, 0.1 mmol) and 6-hydroxy-4,5-dihydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2(3H)-one-2',6'-d₂ **1a-d₂** (19.0 mg, 0.1 mmol) [90% D] was reacted with methyl 2-(acetoxymethyl)acrylate **2a** (48 mg, 0.3 mmol) in H₂O (1 mL) for 2 h at standard reaction conditions A. Then, the reaction mixture was extracted with EtOAc (3 x 10 mL), washed with brine (1 x 10 mL) and dried (Na₂SO₄). Evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography to afford a mixture of **3a/3a-d**, whose 400 MHz ¹H NMR analysis showed $k_H/k_D = 2.10$.

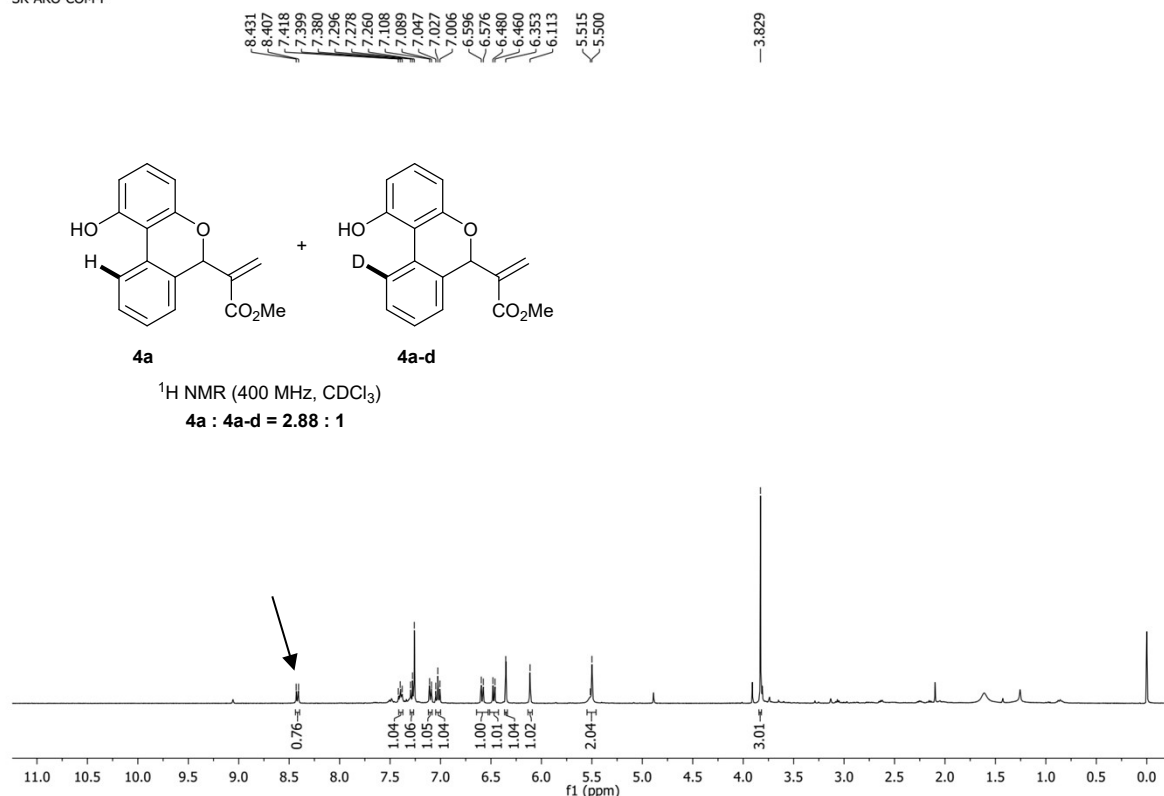


Dehydrogenative C-H Functionalization/Annulation

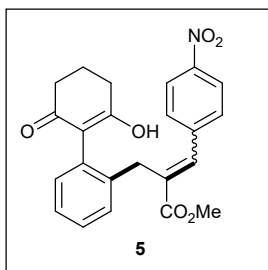
Parallel Reactions. In a pressure tube, 6-Hydroxy-4,5-dihydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2(3H)-one **1a** (18.8 mg, 0.1 mmol) and 6-hydroxy-4,5-dihydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2(3H)-one-2',6'-d₂ **1a-d₂** (19.0 mg, 0.1 mmol) [90% D] were separately reacted with methyl 2-(acetoxymethyl)acrylate **2a** (24 mg, 0.15 mmol) in DMF:H₂O (9:1) (1 mL) for 2 h at the standard reaction conditions B. Then the reaction mixture was quenched with ice-cold water (10 mL) and extracted with EtOAc (3 x 10 mL), washed with brine (1 x 10 mL) and dried (Na₂SO₄). Evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography to give **4a** and **4a-d**, whose 400 MHz ¹H NMR analysis showed $k_H/k_D = 2.43$.



Competitive Reactions: In a pressure tube, a mixture of 6-hydroxy-4,5-dihydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2(3H)-one **1a** (18.8 mg, 0.1 mmol) and 6-hydroxy-4,5-dihydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2(3H)-one-2',6'-d₂ **1a-d₂** (19.0 mg, 0.1 mmol) [90% D] was reacted with methyl 2-(acetoxymethyl)acrylate **2a** (48 mg, 0.3 mmol) in DMF:H₂O (9:1) (1 mL) for 2 h at standard reaction conditions B. Then, the reaction mixture was quenched with ice-cold water (10 mL) and extracted with EtOAc (3 x 10 mL). The combined organic layer was washed with brine (1 x 10 mL) and dried (Na₂SO₄). Evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography to give a mixture of **4a/4a-d**, whose 400 MHz ¹H NMR analysis showed $k_H/k_D = 2.88$.

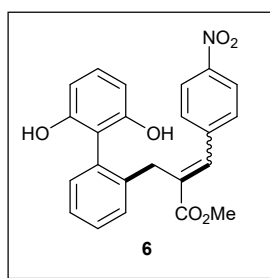


I) Control Experiment



Methyl 2-((6'-hydroxy-2'-oxo-2',3',4',5'-tetrahydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yl)methyl)-3-(4-nitrophenyl)acrylate **5.** In a pressure tube, 6-hydroxy-4,5-dihydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2(3*H*)-one **1a** (19 mg, 0.1 mmol), methyl 2-(acetoxymethyl)-3-(4-nitrophenyl)acrylate **2j** (42 mg, 0.15 mmol), $\text{Pd}(\text{OAc})_2$ (2 mg, 10 mol%) and $\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ (40 mg, 0.2 mmol) were stirred in H_2O (1 mL) at 110 °C for 6 h. After completion (monitored by TLC), the reaction mixture was extracted with EtOAc (3 x 10 mL). The combined organic layer was washed with brine (10 mL). Drying (Na_2SO_4) and evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography using hexane and EtOAc as an eluent to afford **5**. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 3:7 EtOAc/hexane R_f = 0.25; colorless liquid; yield 64% (26 mg); 7:1 mixture of diastereomers; ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.11 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.44-7.42 (m, 3H), 7.27-7.26 (m, 2H), 6.98 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.71 (s, 3H), 3.23 (s, 2H), 2.70-2.59 (m, 4H), 2.04-1.96 (m, 1H), 1.77-1.71 (m, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 207.1, 169.1, 147.1, 142.5, 137.3, 136.5, 132.7, 130.0, 129.7, 128.6, 128.3, 127.3, 126.9, 123.7, 72.9,

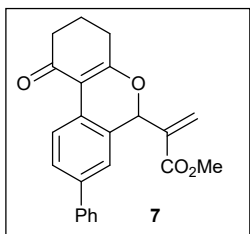
52.4, 38.2, 33.6, 17.3; FT-IR (neat) 2959, 1725, 1712, 1564, 1354, 1337, 1301, 1262, 1207 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{22}\text{NO}_6$: 408.1442; Found 408.1441.



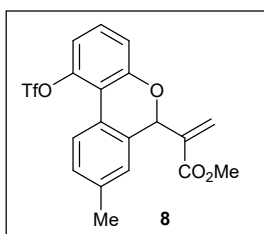
Methyl 2-((2',6'-dihydroxy-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yl)methyl)-3-(4-nitrophenyl)acrylate 6. In a pressure tube, 6-hydroxy-4,5-dihydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2(3*H*)-one **1a** (19 mg, 0.1 mmol), methyl 2-(acetoxymethyl)-3-(4-nitrophenyl)acrylate **2j** (42 mg, 0.15 mmol), $\text{Pd}(\text{OAc})_2$ (2 mg, 10 mol%) and $\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ (40 mg, 0.2 mmol) were stirred in $\text{DMF}:\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (9:1) (1 mL) at 120 °C for 8 h. After completion (monitored by TLC), the reaction mixture was quenched with ice-cold water (10 mL) and extracted with EtOAc (3 x 10 mL). The combined organic layer was washed with brine (1 x 10 mL) and dried (Na_2SO_4). Evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography using hexane and EtOAc as an eluent to afford **6**. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 3:7 EtOAc/hexane R_f = 0.35; brown sticky liquid; yield 57% (23 mg); 5:1 mixture of diastereomers; ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.19 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.95 (s, 1H), 7.46 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.43-7.41 (m, 2H), 7.33 (m, 1H), 7.28-7.26 (m, 1H), 7.14 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.57 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 5.22 (bs, 2H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 3.69 (s, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.8, 153.9, 147.8, 141.5, 139.9, 139.3, 133.7, 132.4, 130.1, 130.0, 129.8, 128.9, 128.2, 127.9, 124.0, 114.7, 108.3, 52.9, 31.0; FT-IR (neat) 2952, 1724, 1716, 1651, 1592, 1378, 1220, 1001 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{20}\text{NO}_6$: 406.1285; Found 406.1267.

II) Control Experiment

In a pressure tube, methyl 2-(1-oxo-2,3,4,6-tetrahydro-1*H*-benzo[*c*]chromen-6-yl)-acrylate **3a** (28 mg, 0.1 mmol), $\text{Pd}(\text{OAc})_2$ (2 mg, 10 mol%) and $\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ (40 mg, 0.2 mmol) were stirred in $\text{DMF}:\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (9:1) (1 mL) at 120 °C for 8 h. After completion (monitored by TLC), the reaction mixture was quenched with ice-cold water (10 mL) and extracted with EtOAc (3 x 10 mL). The combined organic layer was washed with brine (1 x 10 mL) and dried (Na_2SO_4). Evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography using hexane and EtOAc as an eluent to afford **4a** in 43% (12 mg) yield.

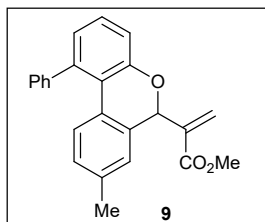


Methyl 2-(1-oxo-8-phenyl-2,3,4,6-tetrahydro-1H-benzo[c]chromen-6-yl)acrylate 7. To a stirred solution of methyl 2-(8-chloro-1-oxo-2,3,4,6-tetrahydro-1H-benzo[c]chromen-6-yl)acrylate **3d** (32 mg, 0.1 mmol), phenylboronic acid (12 mg, 0.1 mmol), K₂CO₃ (28 mg, 0.2 mmol) and H₂O (0.1 mL) in 1,4-dioxane (2 mL), Pd(PPh₃)₄ (6 mg, 5 mol%) was added. The resultant mixture was stirred at 70 °C for 6 h under N₂ atmosphere. After completion (monitored by TLC), the reaction mixture was extracted with EtOAc (2 x 10 mL) and washed with brine (1 x 5 mL). Drying (Na₂SO₄) and evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel chromatography using hexane and EtOAc as eluent to afford **7**. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 3:7 EtOAc/hexane R_f = 0.52; yellow liquid; yield 78% (28 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.49 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.60 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.57-7.55 (m, 2H), 7.42 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.33 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (s, 1H), 6.46 (s, 1H), 6.35 (s, 1H), 5.46 (s, 1H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 2.62-2.41 (m, 4H), 2.04-1.98 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.5, 171.7, 166.2, 140.4, 140.0, 137.8, 130.7, 129.0, 128.0, 127.6, 127.5, 127.0, 126.7, 125.8, 123.7, 112.4, 76.1, 52.5, 38.5, 29.5, 20.2; FT-IR (neat) 2952, 1724, 1656, 1597, 1379, 1220, 1001 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z* [M+H]⁺ calcd for C₂₃H₂₁O₄: 361.1434; Found 361.1429.



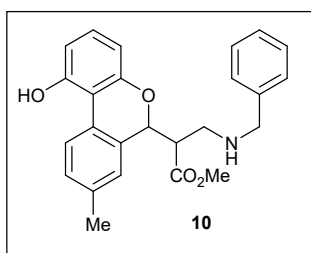
Methyl 2-(8-methyl-1-(((trifluoromethyl)sulfonyl)oxy)-6H-benzo[c]chromen-6-yl)acrylate 8. To a stirred solution of methyl 2-(1-hydroxy-8-methyl-6H-benzo[c]chromen-6-yl)acrylate **4b** (30 mg, 0.1 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (2 mL), Et₃N (20 μL, 0.15 mmol) and triflic anhydride (25 μL, 0.15 mmol) were added at -78 °C. The reaction mixture was allowed to warm up to room temperature and stirred for 4 h under air. After completion (monitored by TLC), the reaction mixture was quenched with 10% aqueous HCl (3 mL) and extracted with EtOAc (2 x 5 mL). The combined organic layer was washed with aqueous saturated NaHCO₃ (2 x 5 mL) and brine (1 x 5 mL). Drying (Na₂SO₄) and evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography using hexane and EtOAc as eluent to afford **8**. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 1:9 EtOAc/hexane R_f = 0.45; colorless liquid; yield 75% (32 mg); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.99 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.23-7.26 (m, 1H), 7.20 (t, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.00-6.96 (m, 3H), 6.37 (s, 1H), 6.18 (s, 1H), 5.44

(s, 1H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 2.39 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.3, 154.4, 146.3, 139.5, 137.2, 135.1, 132.7, 131.3 ($J_{\text{C-F}} = 3.1$ Hz), 130.1, 128.9, 127.1, 126.4, 123.8, 118.7, 118.2, 116.1, 75.1, 52.4, 21.5; ^{19}F NMR (470 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -73.13; FT-IR (neat) 2918, 2851, 1727, 1459, 1427, 1214, 1144 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{16}\text{F}_3\text{O}_6\text{S}$: 429.0614; Found 429.0610.



Methyl 2-(8-methyl-1-phenyl-6H-benzo[c]chromen-6-yl)acrylate 9.

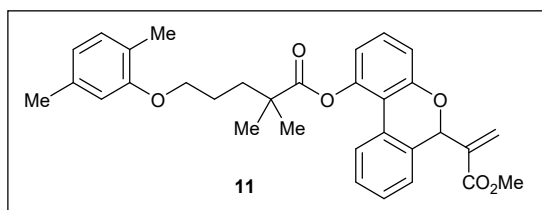
To a stirred solution of methyl 2-(8-methyl-1-(((trifluoromethyl)sulfonyl)oxy)-6H-benzo[c]-chromen-6-yl)acrylate **8** (43 mg, 0.1 mmol), phenylboronic acid (12 mg, 0.1 mmol), K_2CO_3 (28 mg, 0.2 mmol) and H_2O (0.1 mL) in 1,4-dioxane (2 mL), $\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4$ (6 mg, 5 mol%) was added. The resultant mixture was stirred at 70 $^\circ\text{C}$ for 6 h under N_2 atmosphere. After completion (monitored by TLC), the reaction mixture was extracted with EtOAc (2 x 10 mL) and washed with brine (1 x 5 mL). Drying (Na_2SO_4) and evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel chromatography using hexane and EtOAc as eluent to afford **9**. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 1:9 EtOAc/hexane $R_f = 0.47$; colorless liquid; yield 71% (25 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.40-7.32 (m, 5H), 7.22 (t, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.99-6.94 (m, 2H), 6.87 (s, 1H), 6.75 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.66 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.48 (s, 1H), 6.09 (s, 1H), 5.71 (s, 1H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 2.26 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.6, 154.0, 142.4, 140.0, 138.5, 137.1, 133.4, 129.7, 129.4, 128.8, 128.7, 128.5, 127.7, 127.4, 127.3, 126.3, 125.4, 121.7, 117.0, 74.9, 52.4, 21.3; FT-IR (neat) 2923, 1709, 1603, 1474, 1439, 1127, 1035 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{21}\text{O}_3$: 357.1485; Found 357.1471.



Methyl 3-(benzylamino)-2-(1-hydroxy-6H-benzo[c]chromen-6-yl)propanoate 10.

To a stirred solution of methyl 2-(1-hydroxy-6H-benzo[c]chromen-6-yl)acrylate **4a** (28 mg, 0.1 mmol) in EtOH (1 mL), BnNH_2 (22 μL , 0.2 mmol) was added. The reaction mixture was stirred at 80 $^\circ\text{C}$ for 16 h under N_2 atmosphere. After completion (monitored by TLC), evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography using hexane and EtOAc as an eluent to afford **10**. Analytical TLC on

silica gel, 3:7 EtOAc/hexane R_f = 0.37; colorless liquid; yield 41% (16 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.38 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.34-7.26 (m, 6H), 7.18 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.94 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.42 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.35 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 5.33 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 3.84-3.72 (m, 2H), 3.49 (s, 3H), 3.25-3.20 (m, 1H), 3.17-3.06 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 173.1, 154.5, 153.5, 139.2, 132.0, 129.4, 128.6, 128.5, 128.4, 128.1, 127.4, 126.9, 126.8, 125.3, 111.0, 110.7, 110.0, 77.0, 53.7, 51.9, 49.4, 47.8; FT-IR (neat) 2941, 2917, 1727, 1460, 1427, 1215, 1132 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{24}\text{NO}_4$: 390.1700; Found 390.1702.



6-(3-Methoxy-3-oxoprop-1-en-2-yl)-6H-benzo-

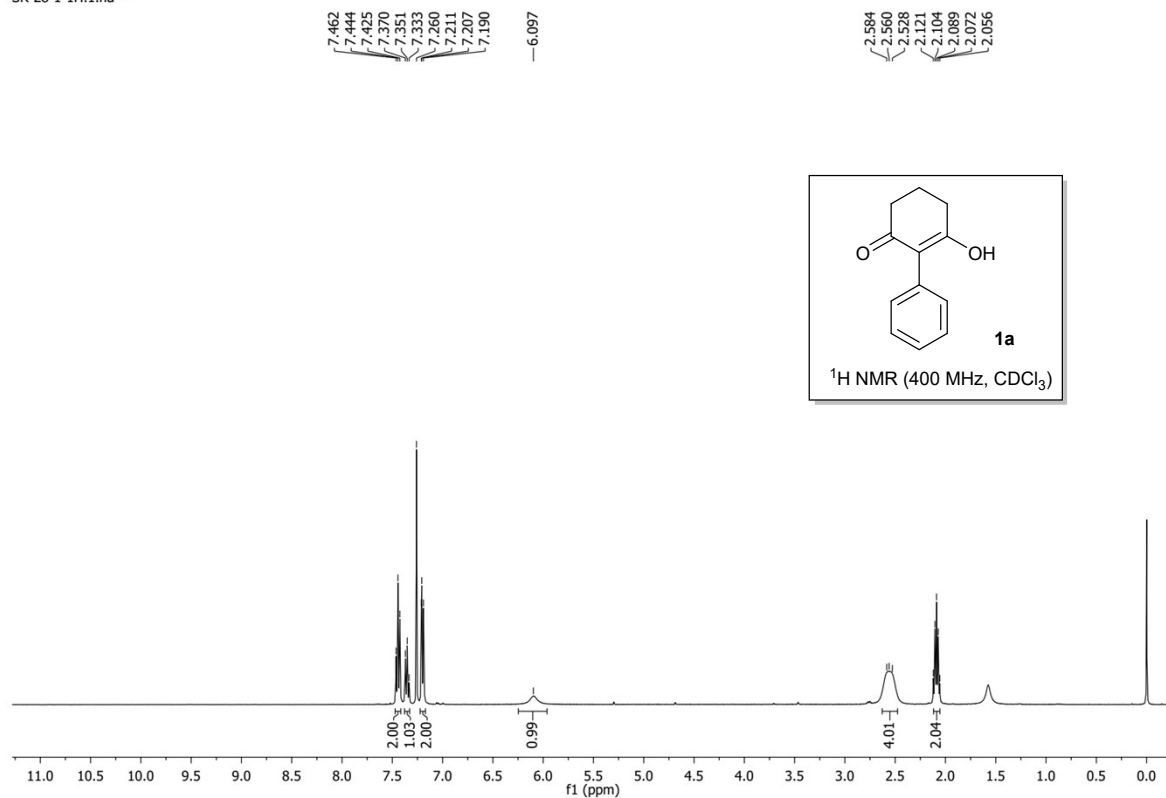
[c]chromen-1-yl 5-(2,5-di-methylpheno-xy)-2,2-dimethylpentanoate 11. To a stirred solution of methyl 2-(1-hydroxy-6H-benzo[c]chromen-6-yl)acrylate **4a** (28 mg, 0.1 mmol) and gemfibrozil (25 mg, 0.1 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (2 ml) at 0 °C, DCC (52 mg, 0.25 mmol) and DMAP (6 mg, 0.05 mmol) were added. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 24 h under air. After completion (monitored by TLC), the reaction mixture was diluted with CH_2Cl_2 (5 ml) and passed through a short pad of celite. Evaporation of the solvent gave a residue that was purified on silica gel column chromatography using hexane and EtOAc as an eluent to afford **11**. Analytical TLC on silica gel, 2:8 EtOAc/hexane R_f = 0.48; colorless sticky liquid; yield 81% (42 mg); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.00 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.36-7.27 (m, 2H), 7.17 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.10 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 7.00 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.88 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.68-6.65 (m, 2H), 6.62 (s, 1H), 6.44 (s, 1H), 6.16 (s, 1H), 5.57 (s, 1H), 3.96 (t, J = 5.2 Hz, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 2.31 (s, 3H), 2.18 (s, 3H), 1.99-1.84 (m, 4H), 1.44 (s, 3H), 1.39 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 175.9, 166.5, 157.0, 154.4, 148.4, 137.3, 136.6, 133.3, 131.1, 130.5, 129.2, 128.4, 128.2, 128.1, 126.1, 126.0, 123.7, 120.9, 117.9, 117.0, 116.1, 112.1, 74.9, 67.9, 52.3, 42.7, 37.4, 25.5, 25.3, 25.1, 21.5, 16.0; FT-IR (neat) 2927, 1751, 1724, 1612, 1508, 1438, 1251, 1102, 1017 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{34}\text{NaO}_6$: 537.2248; Found 537.2242.

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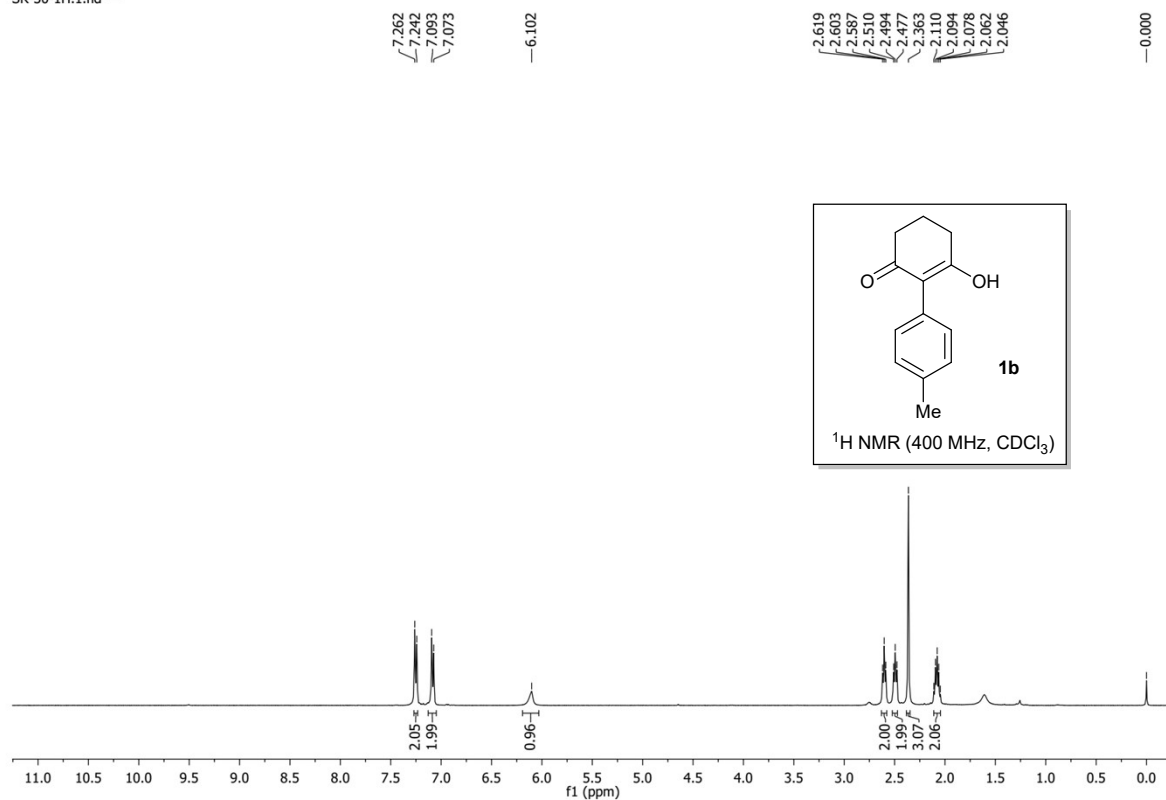
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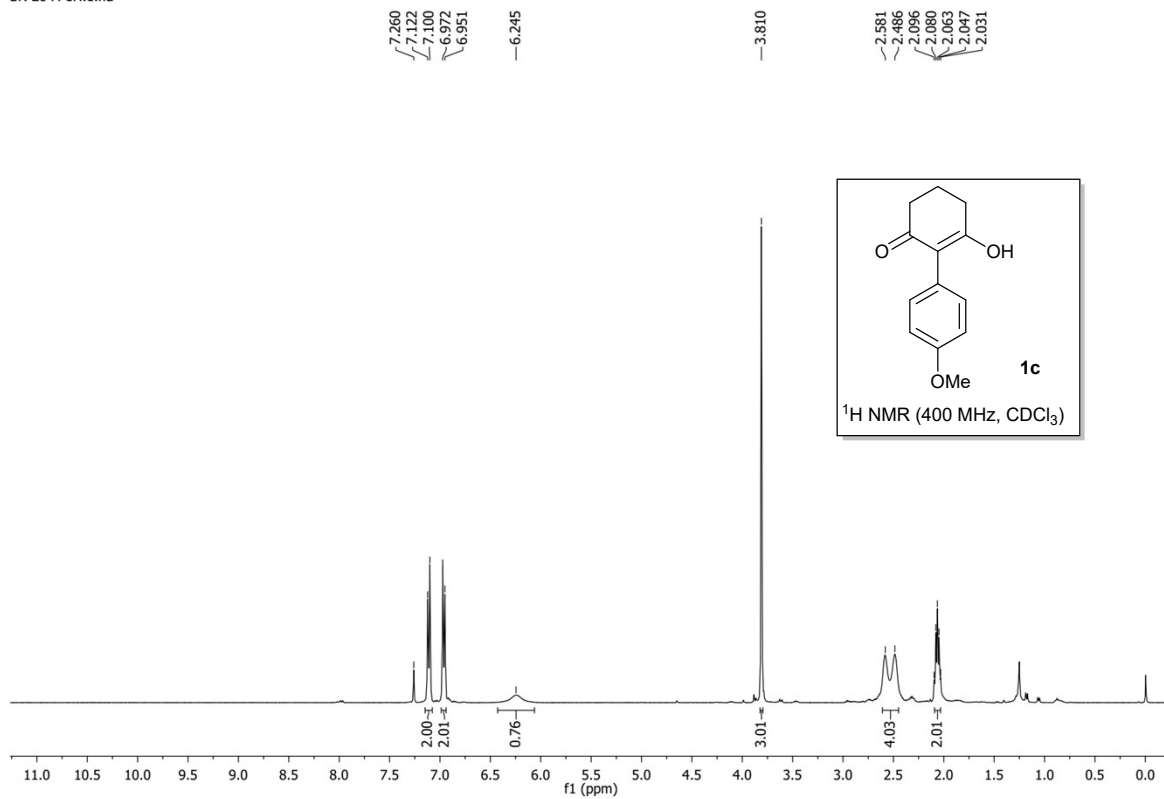
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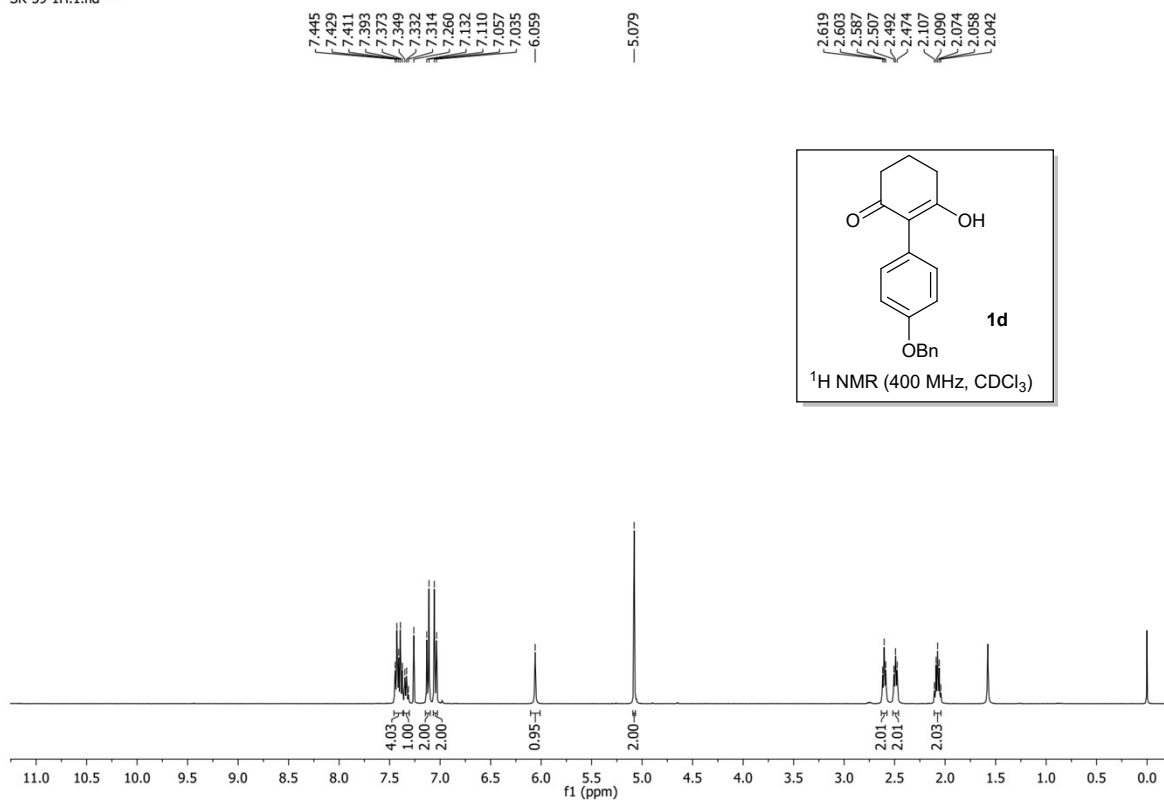
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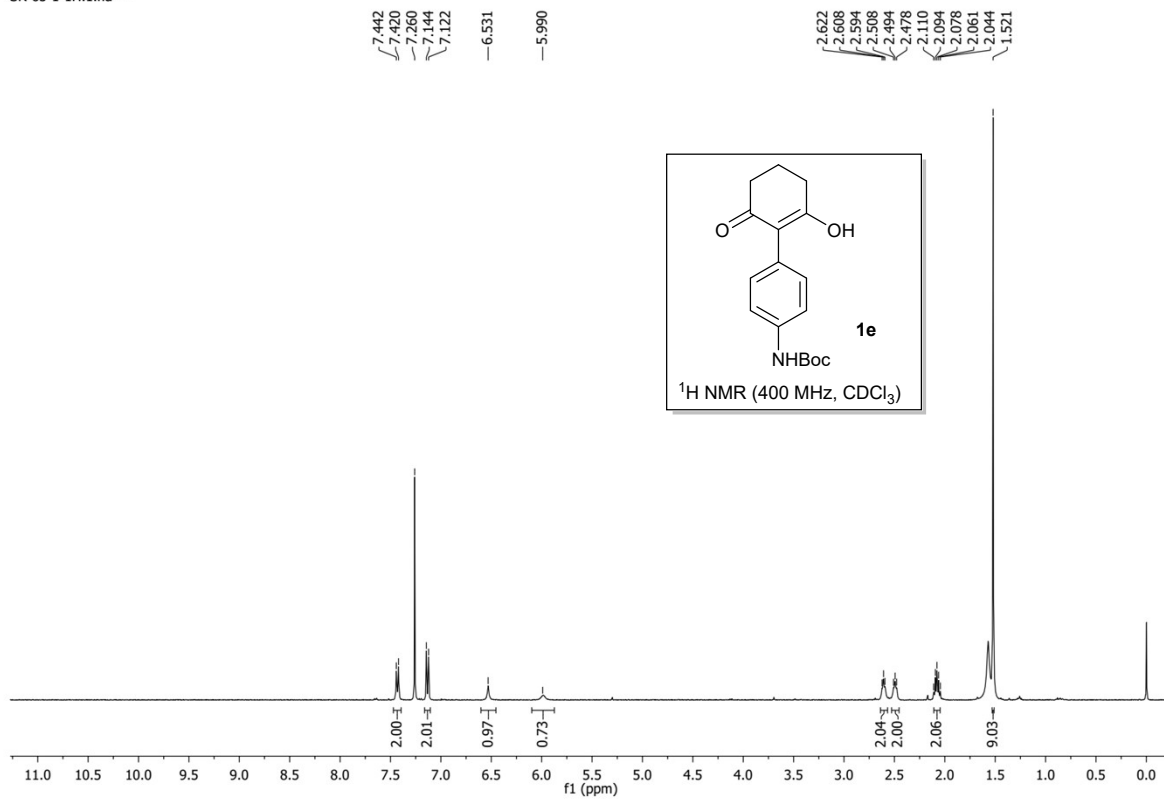
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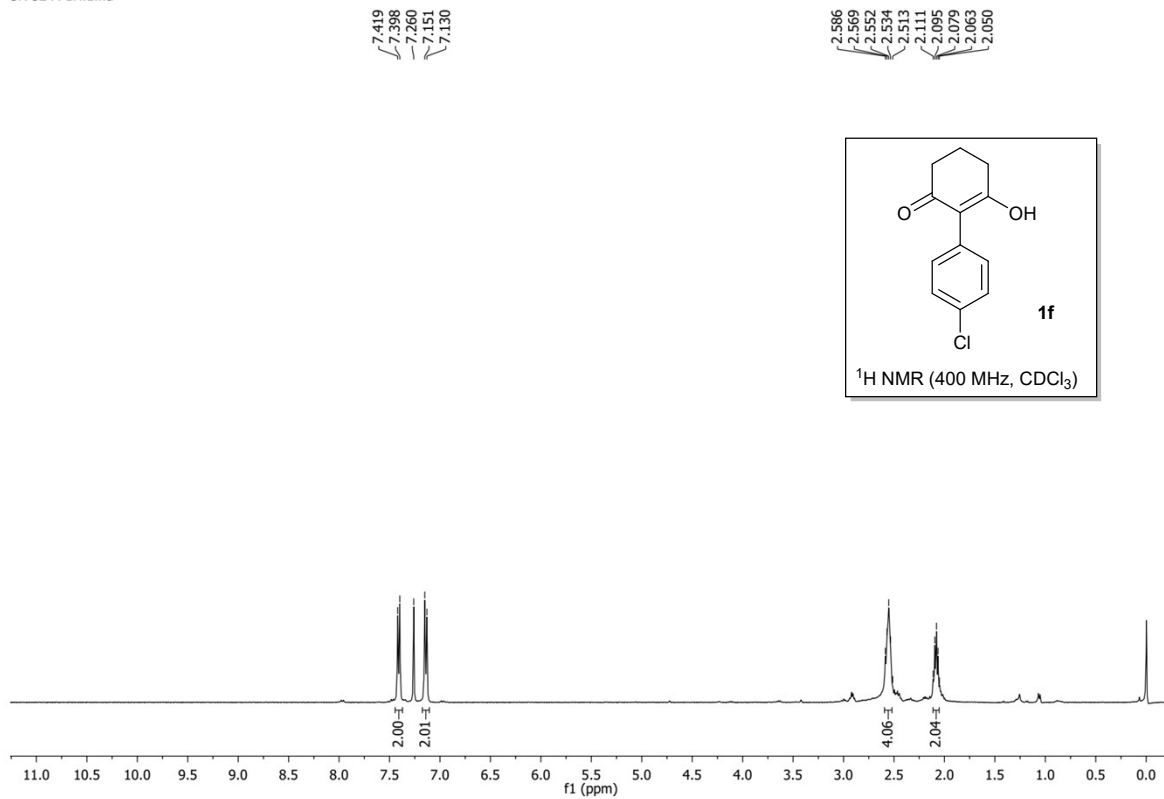
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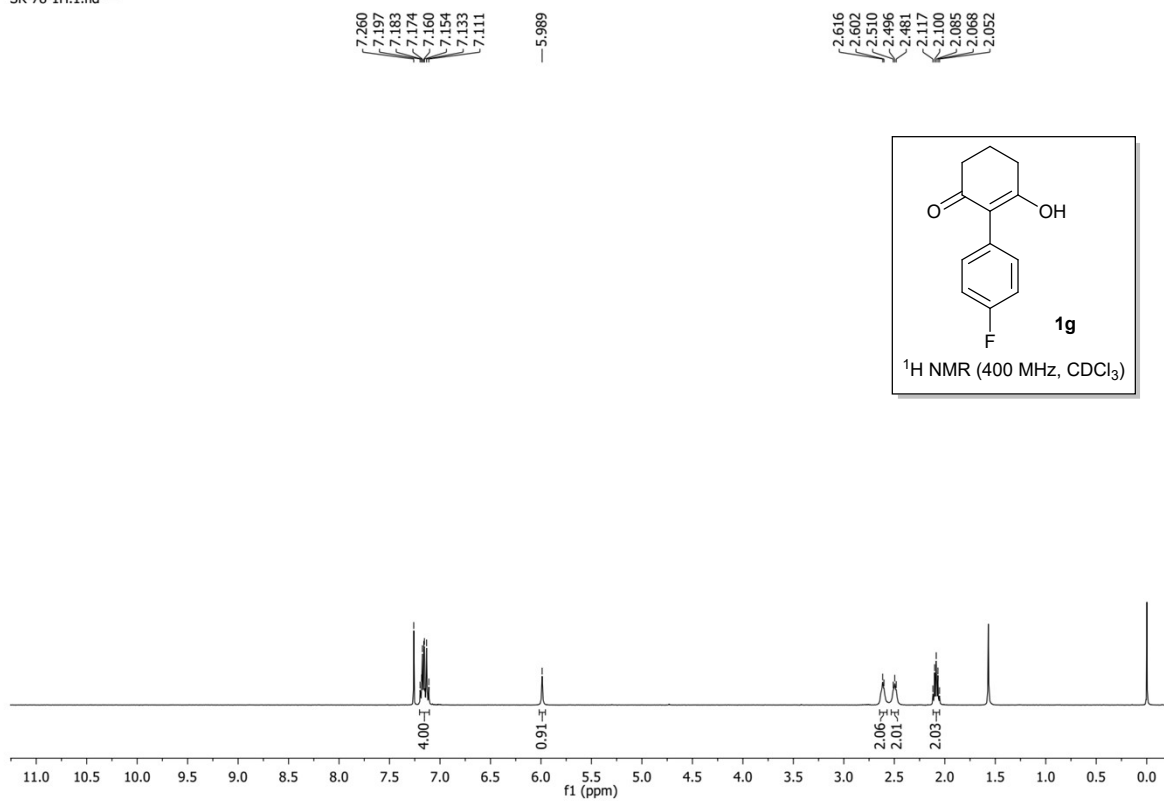
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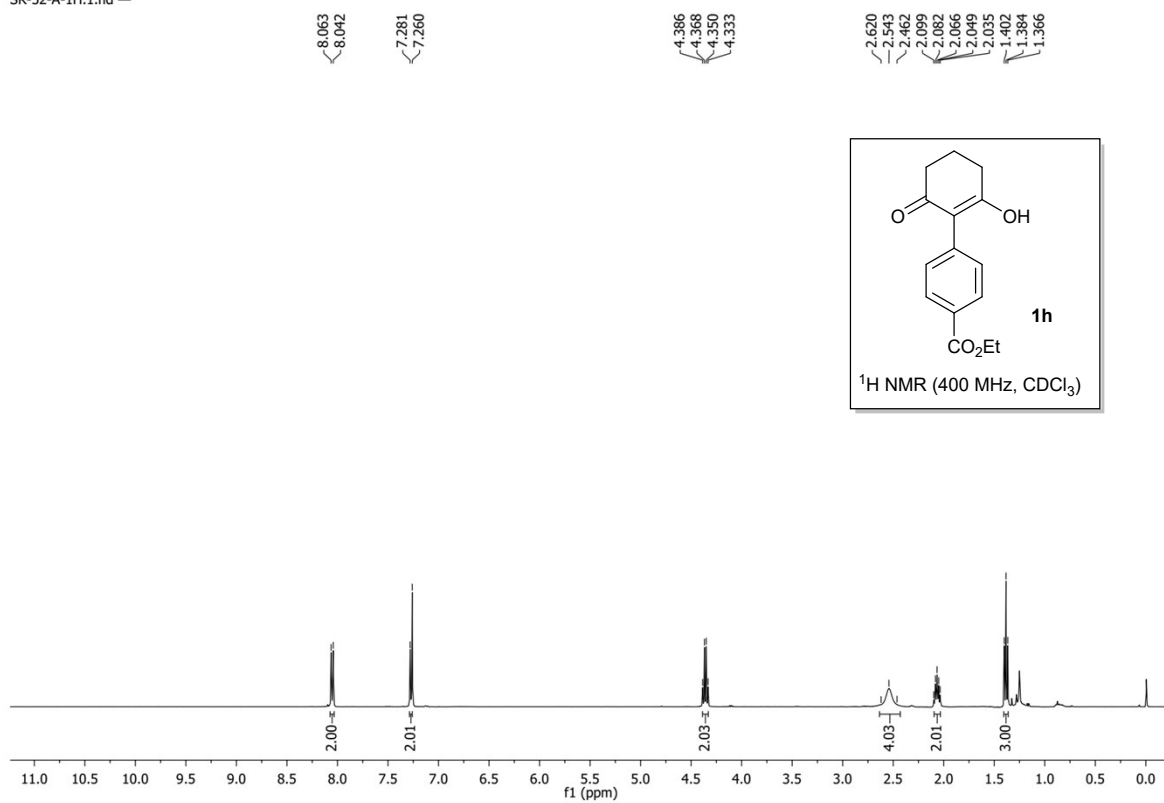
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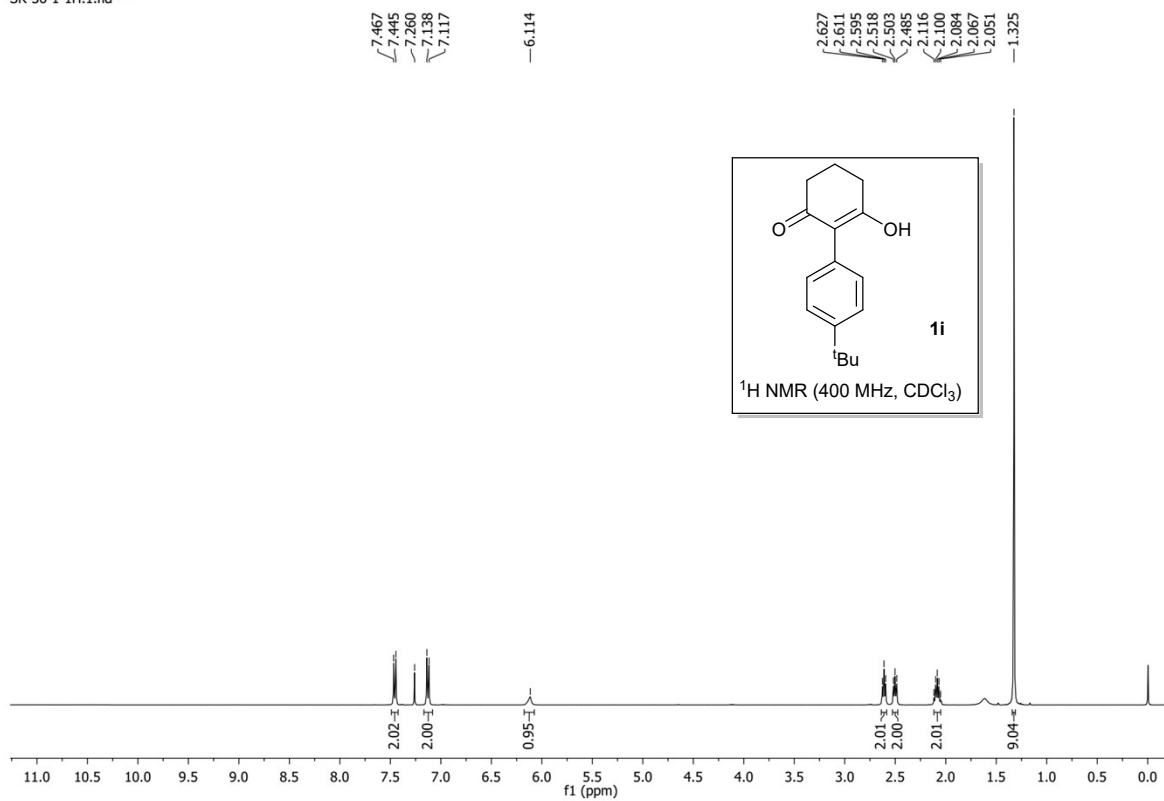
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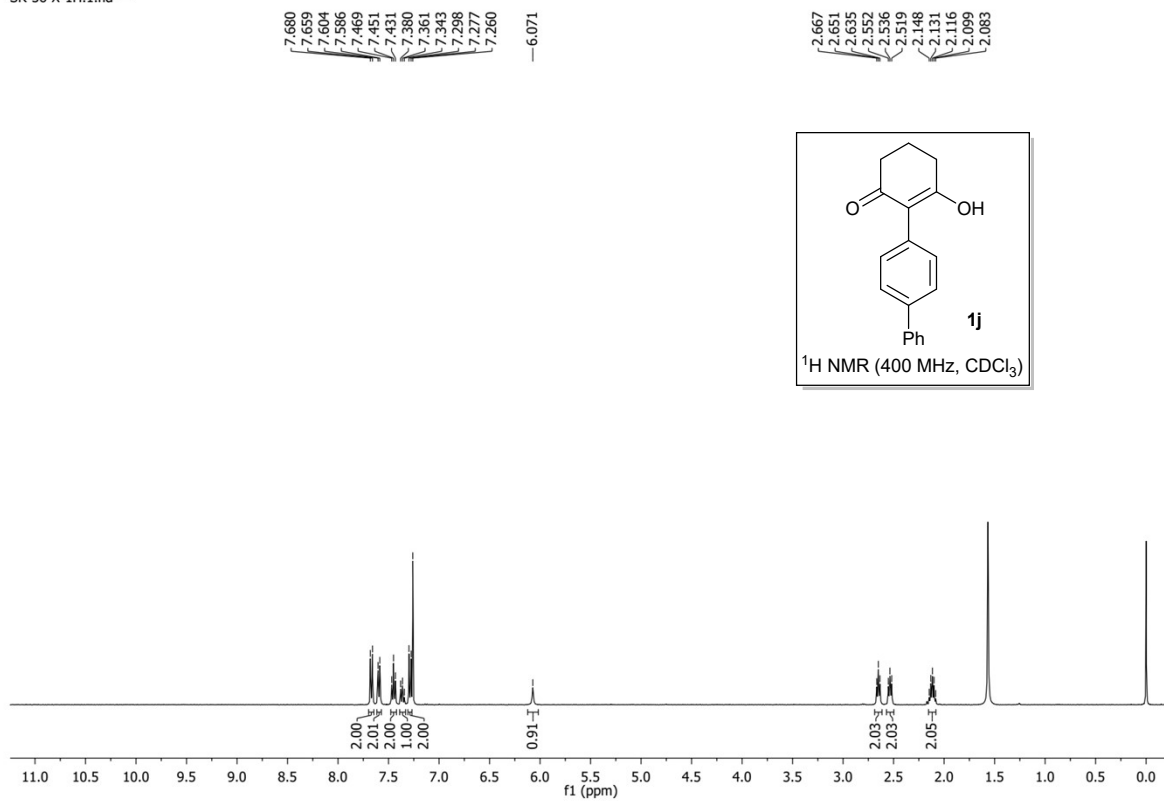
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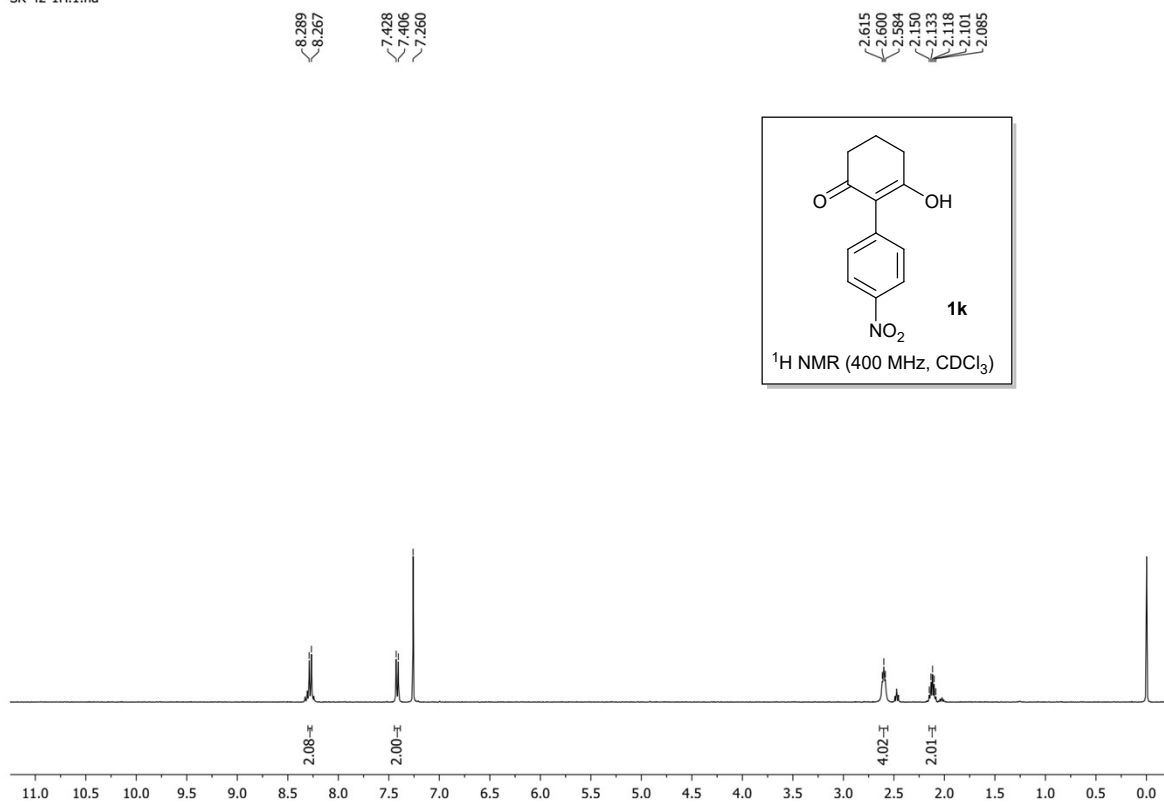
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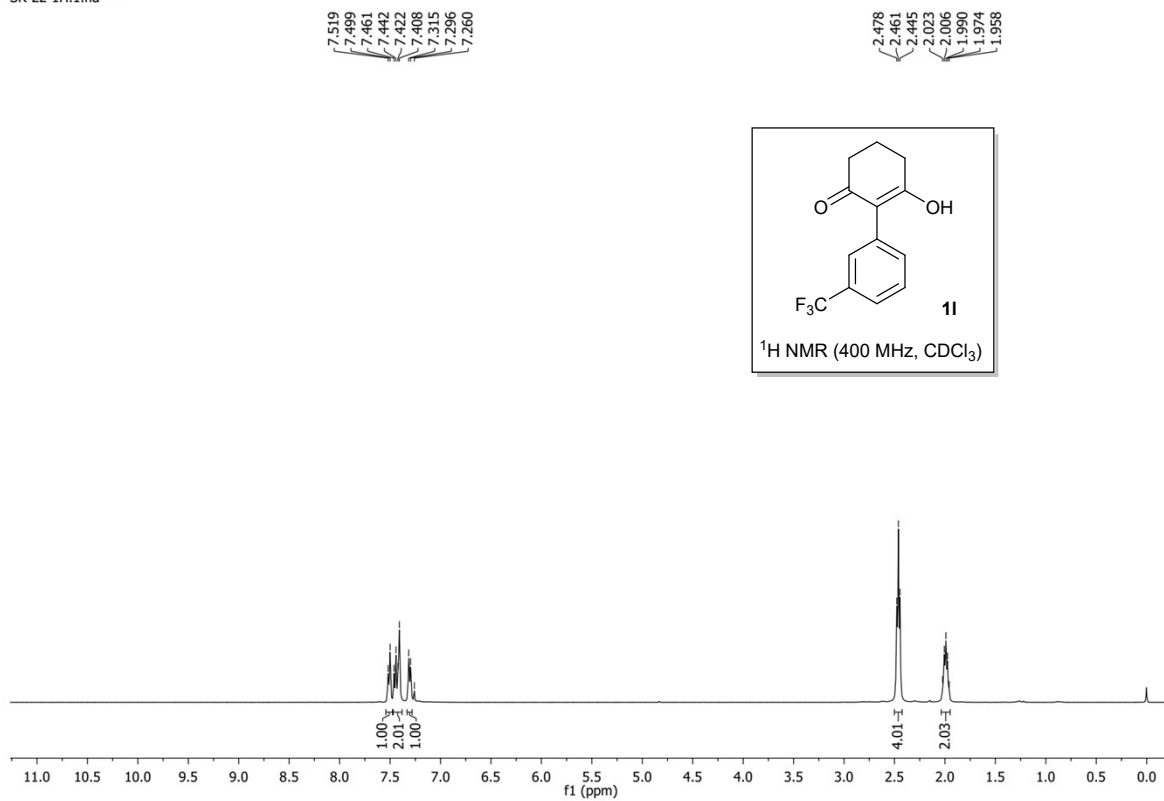
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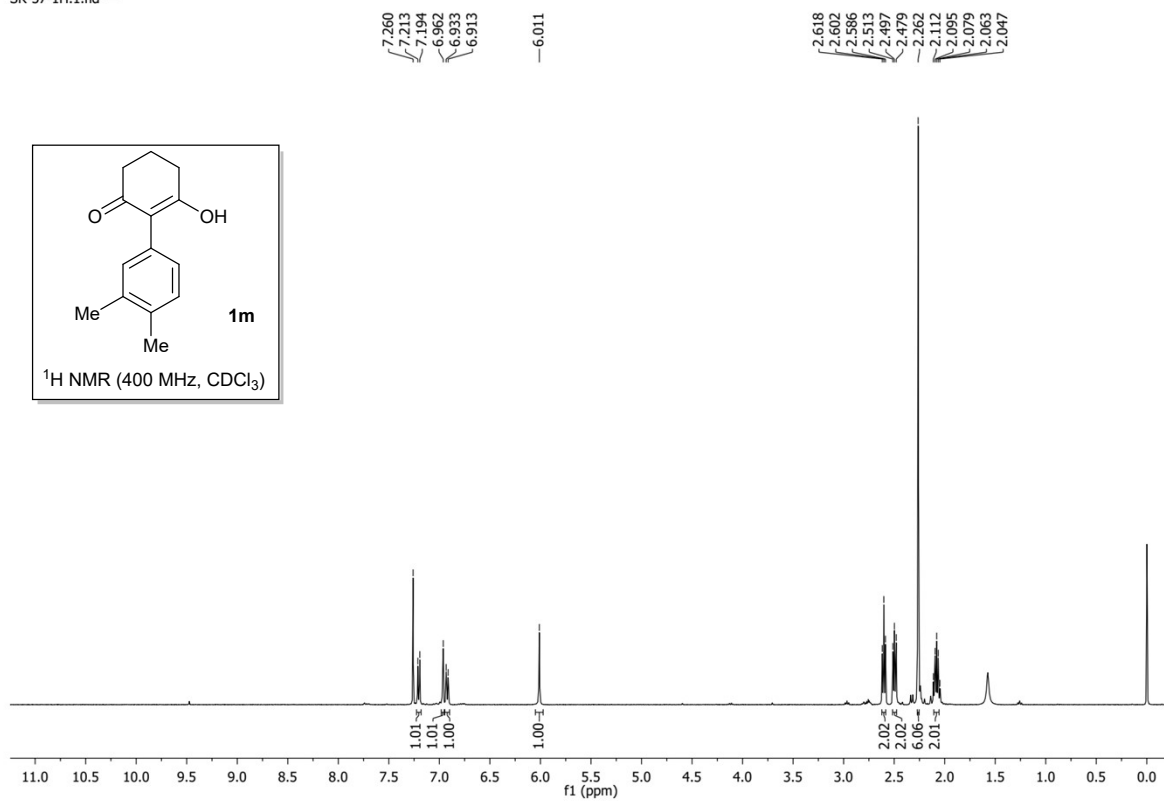
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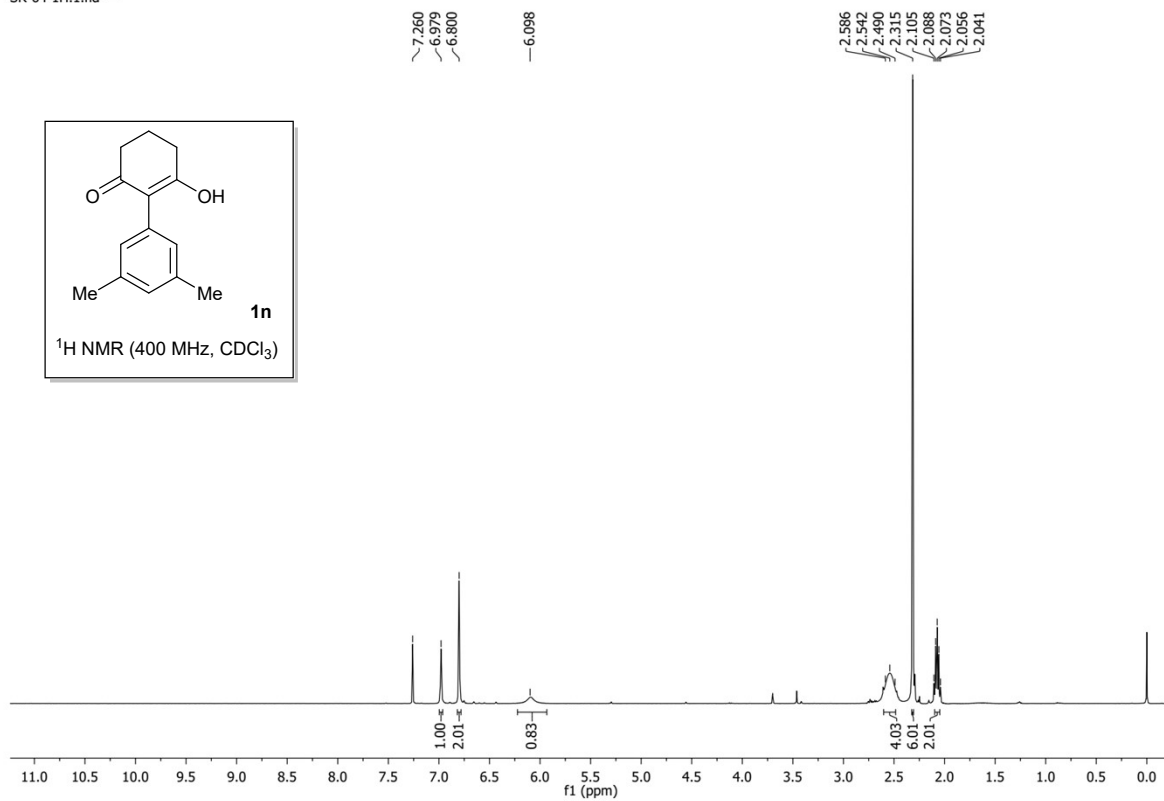
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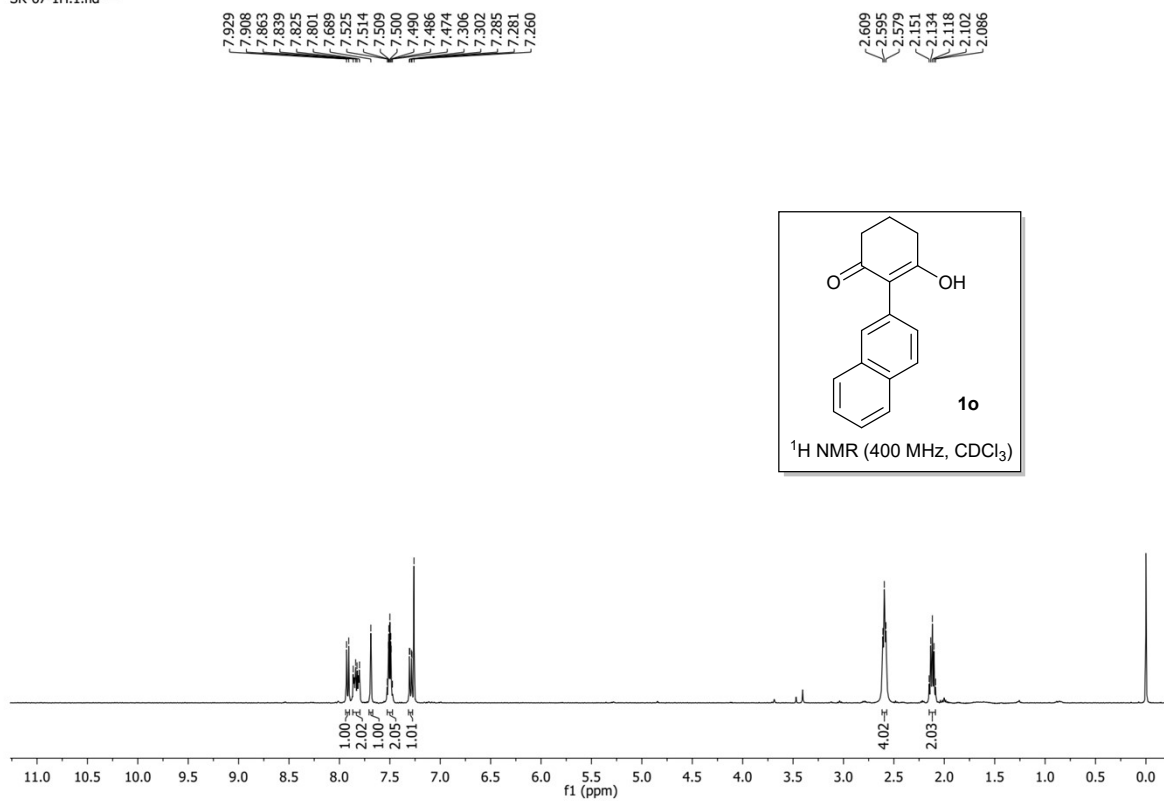
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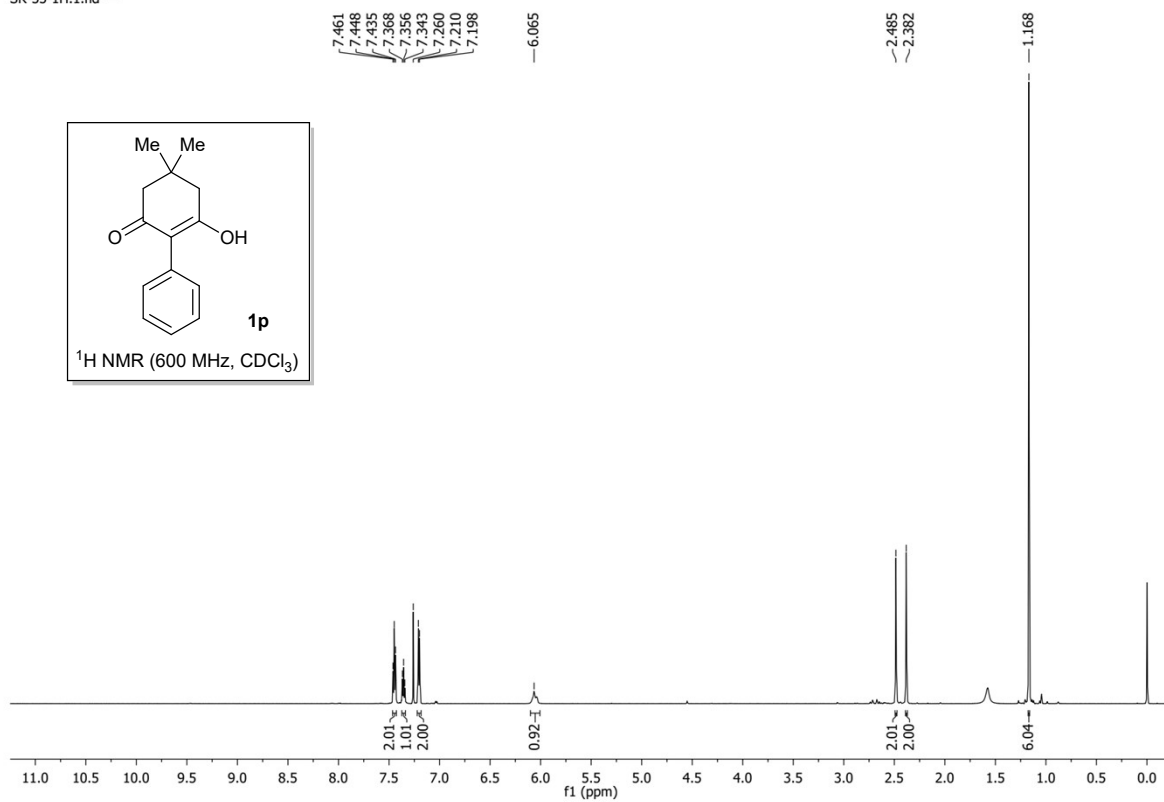
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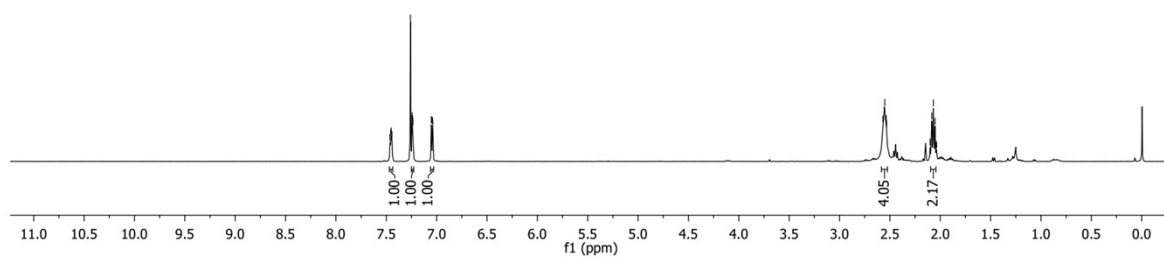
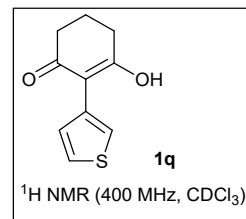
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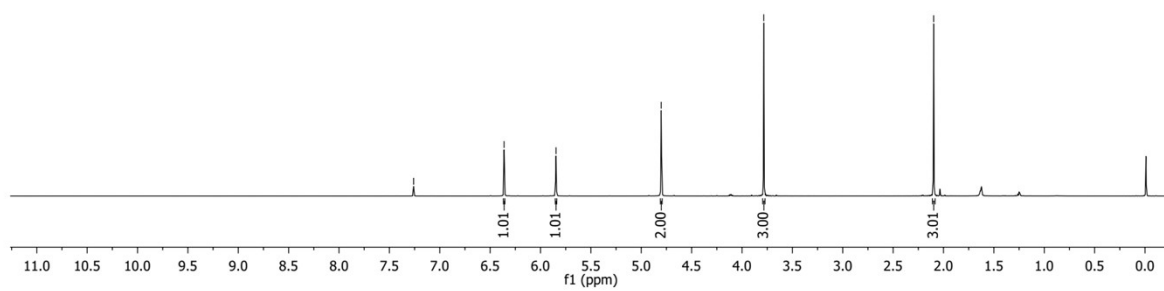
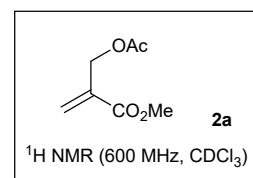
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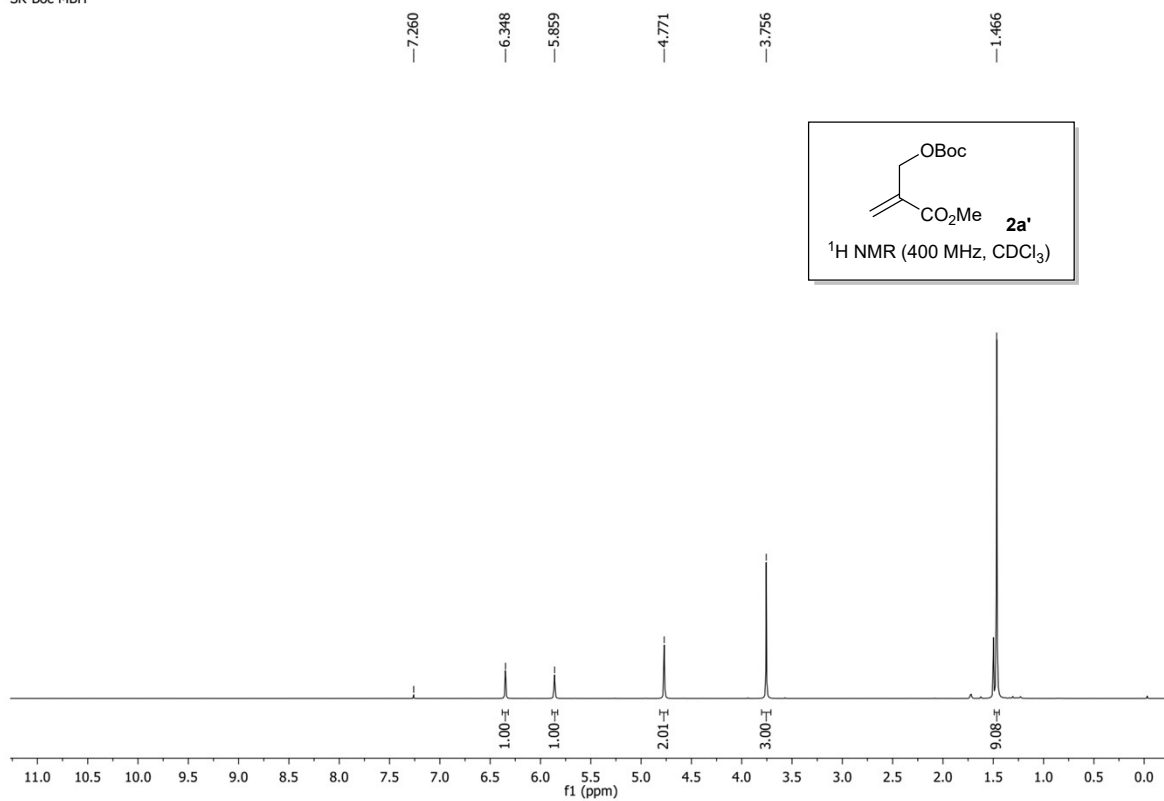
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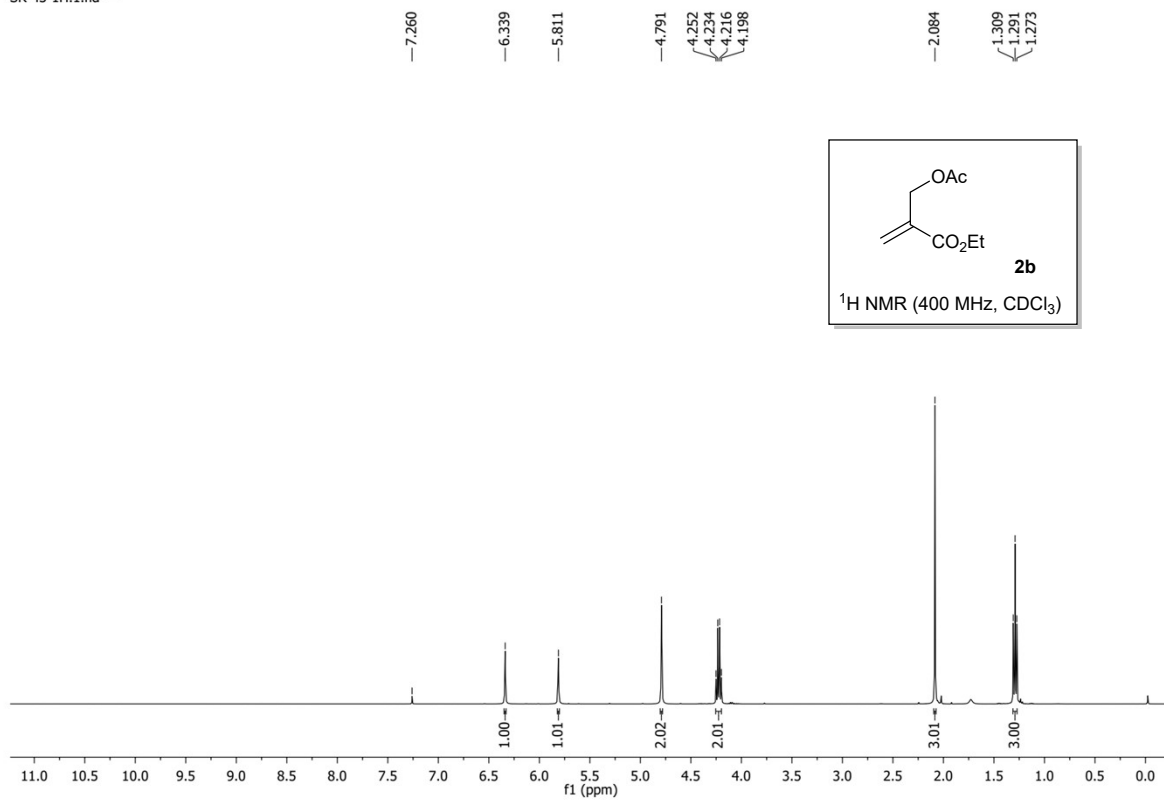
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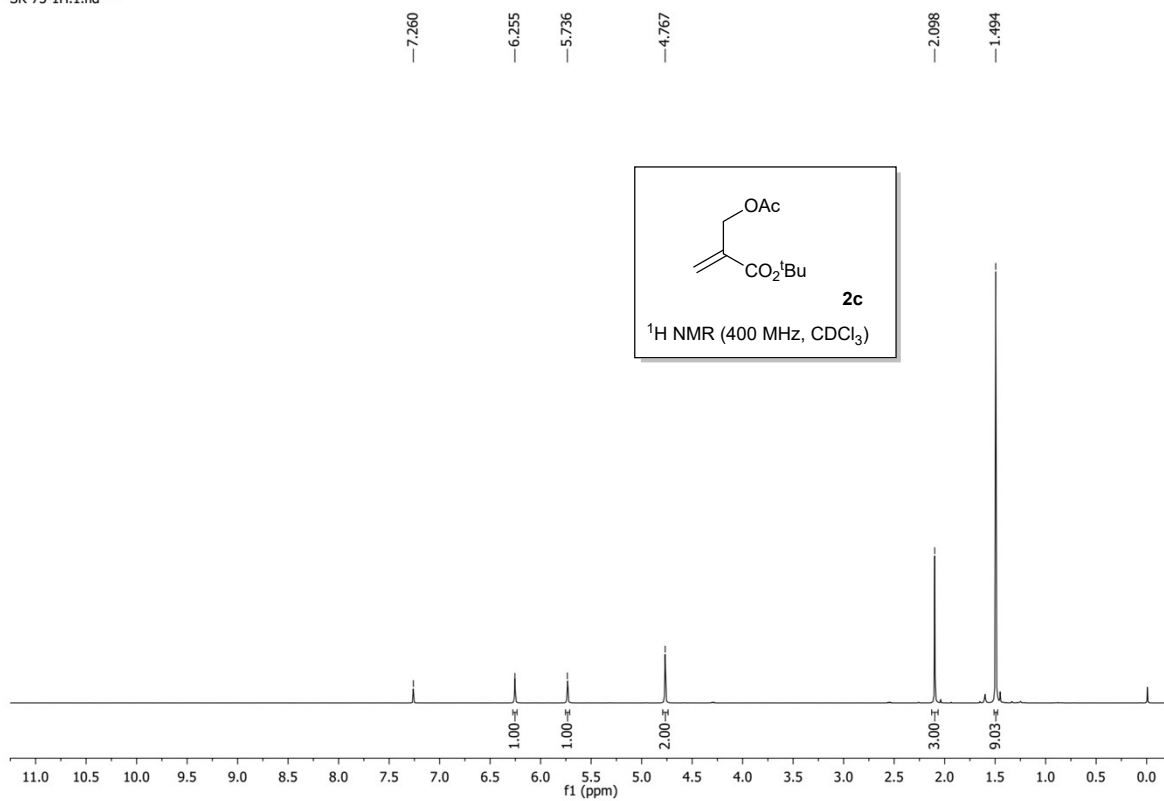




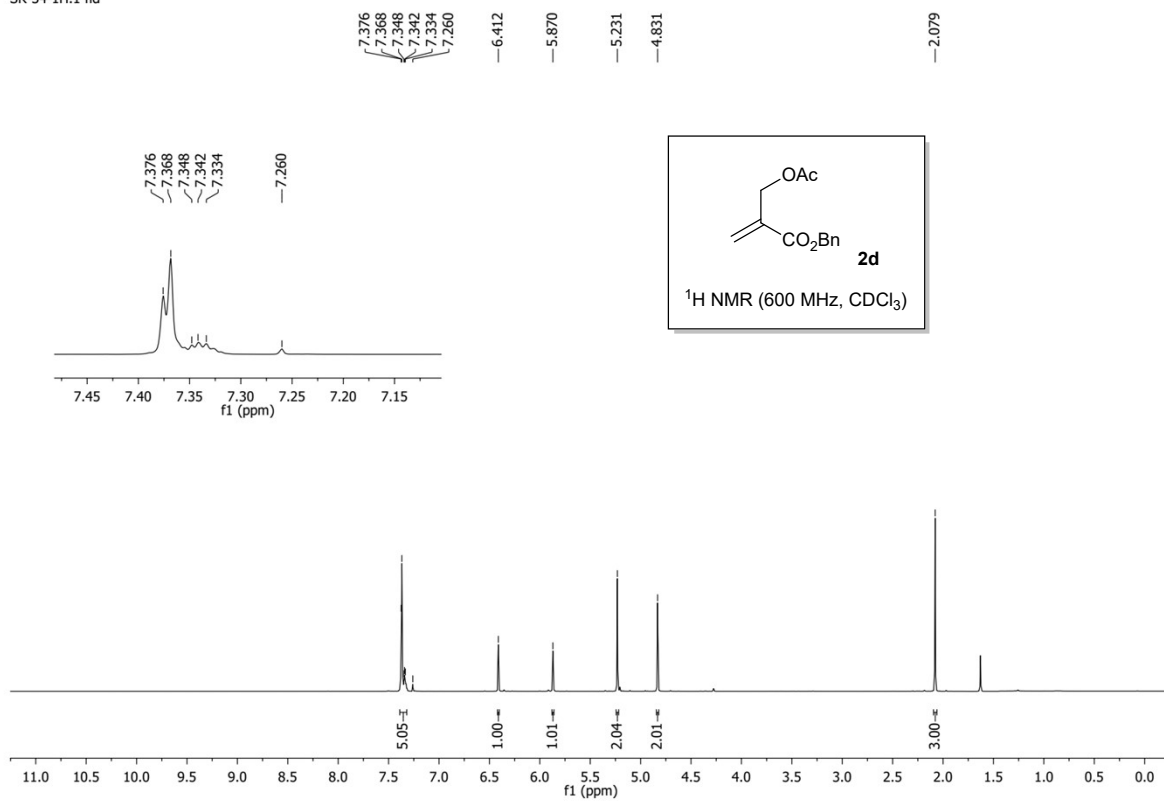
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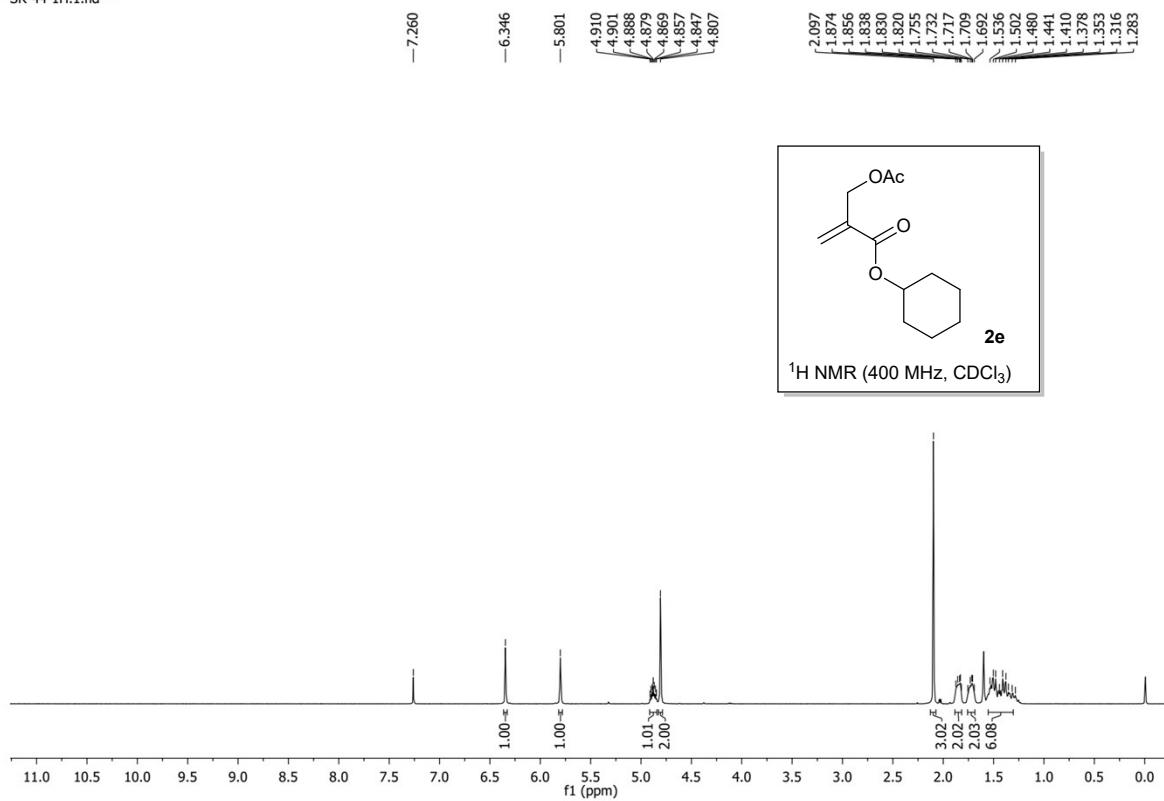
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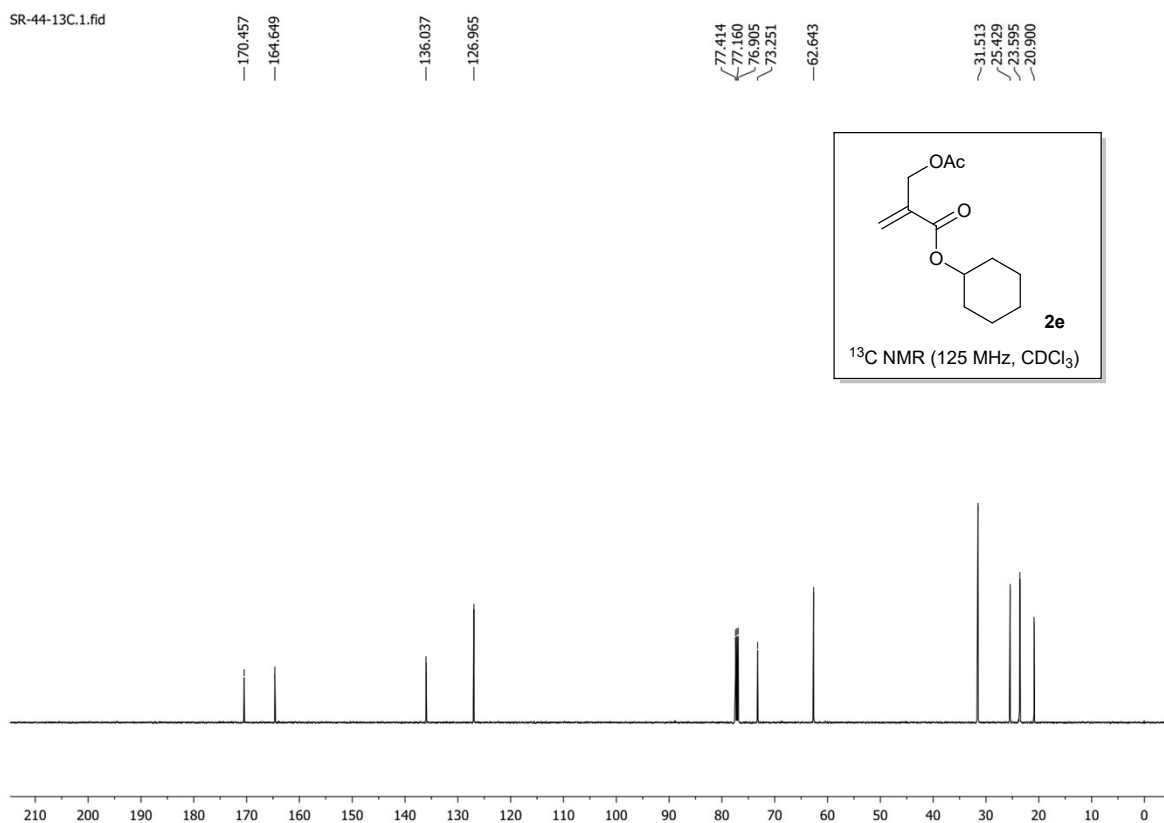
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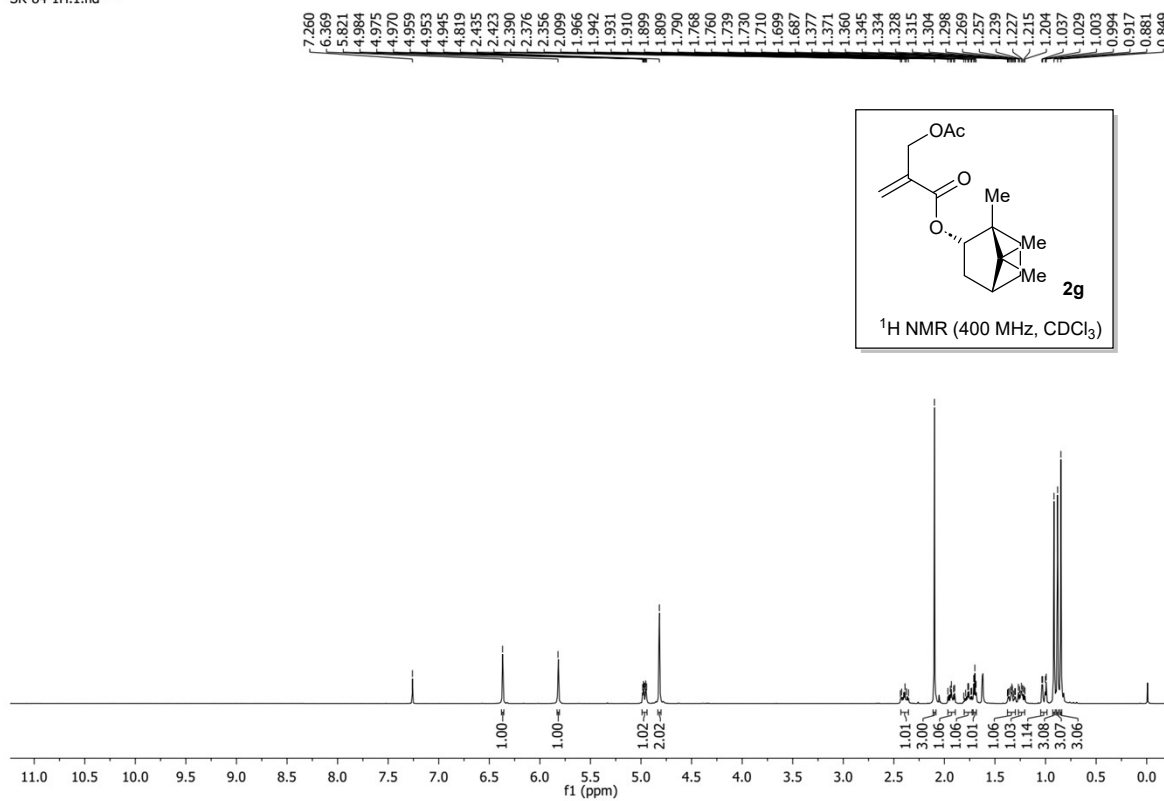
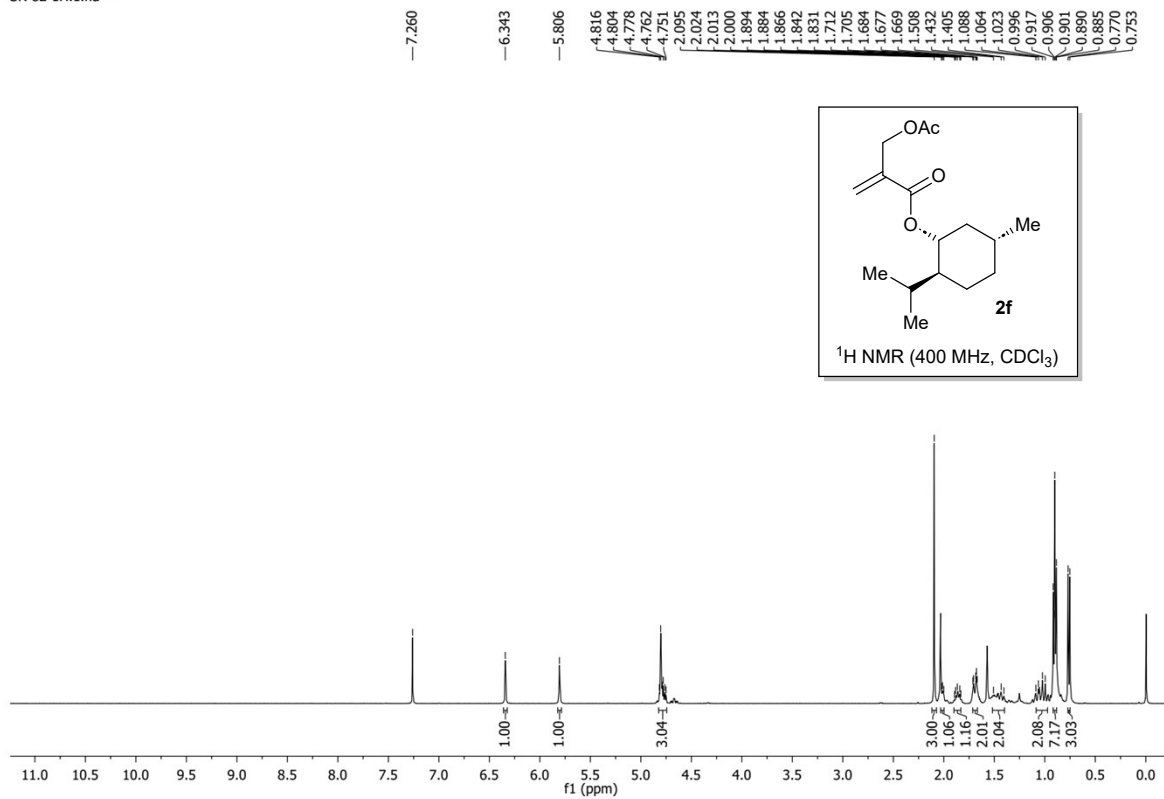


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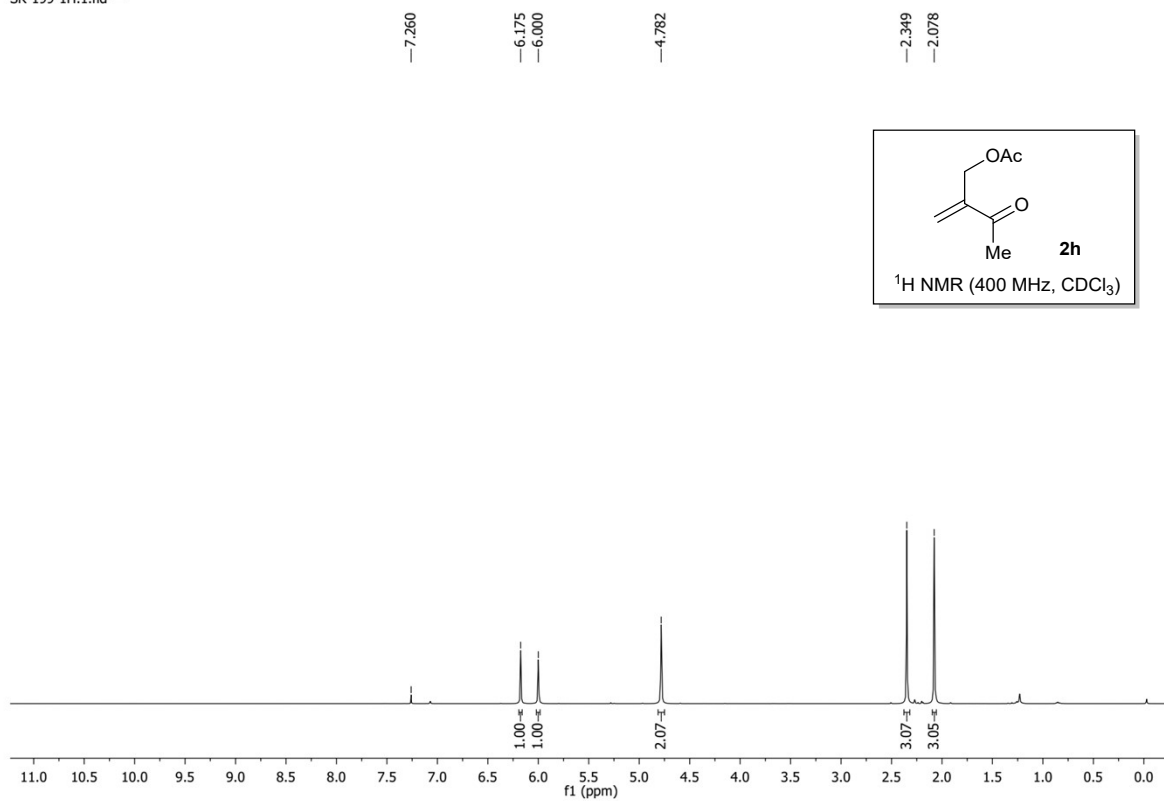


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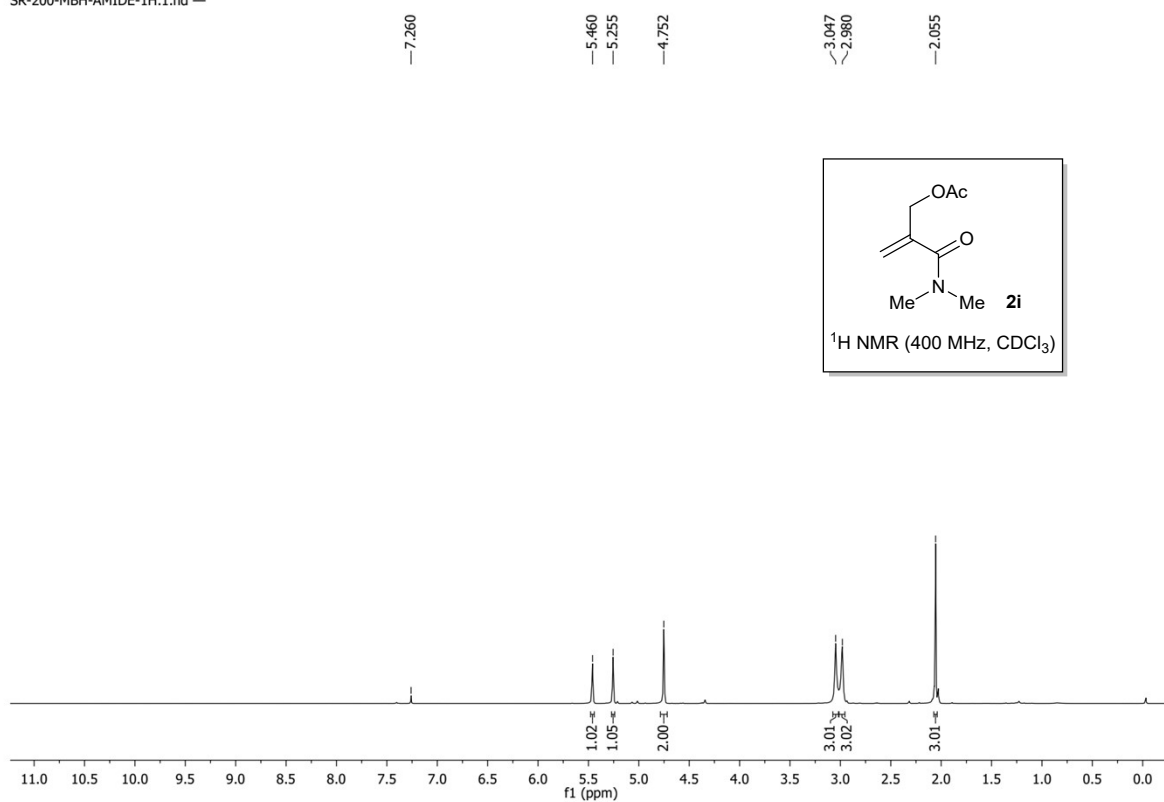




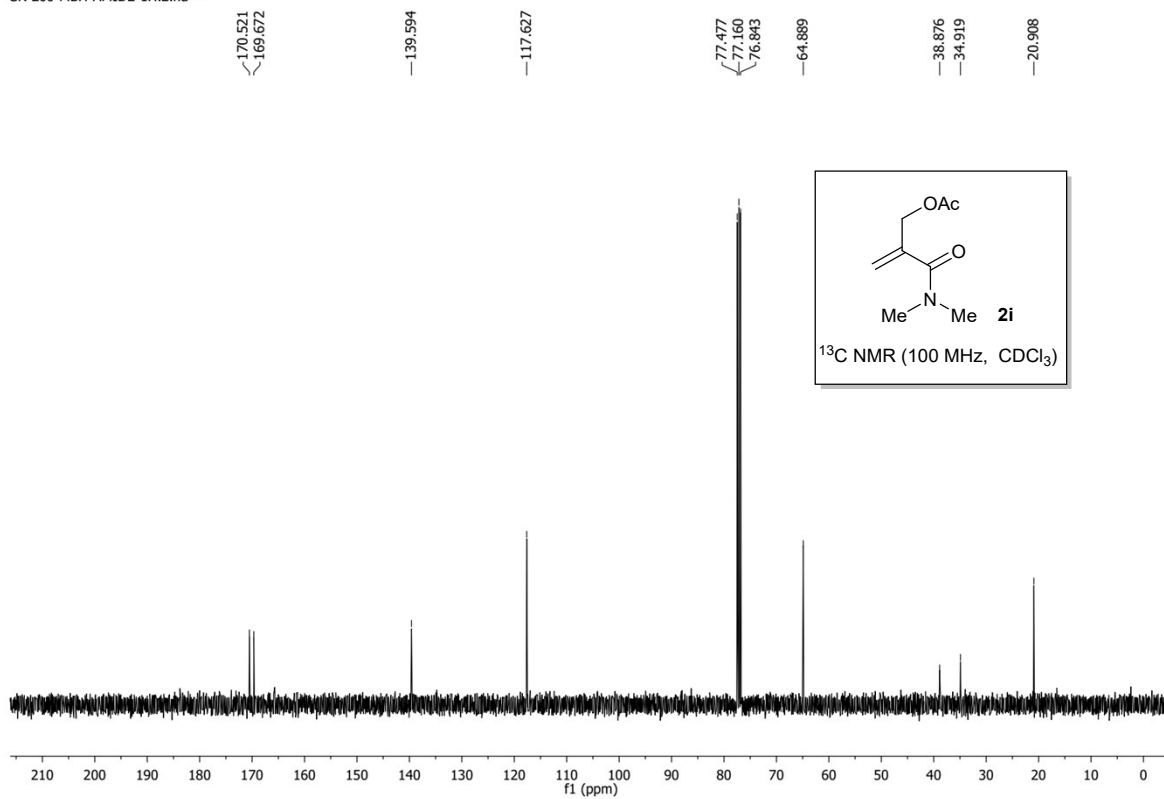
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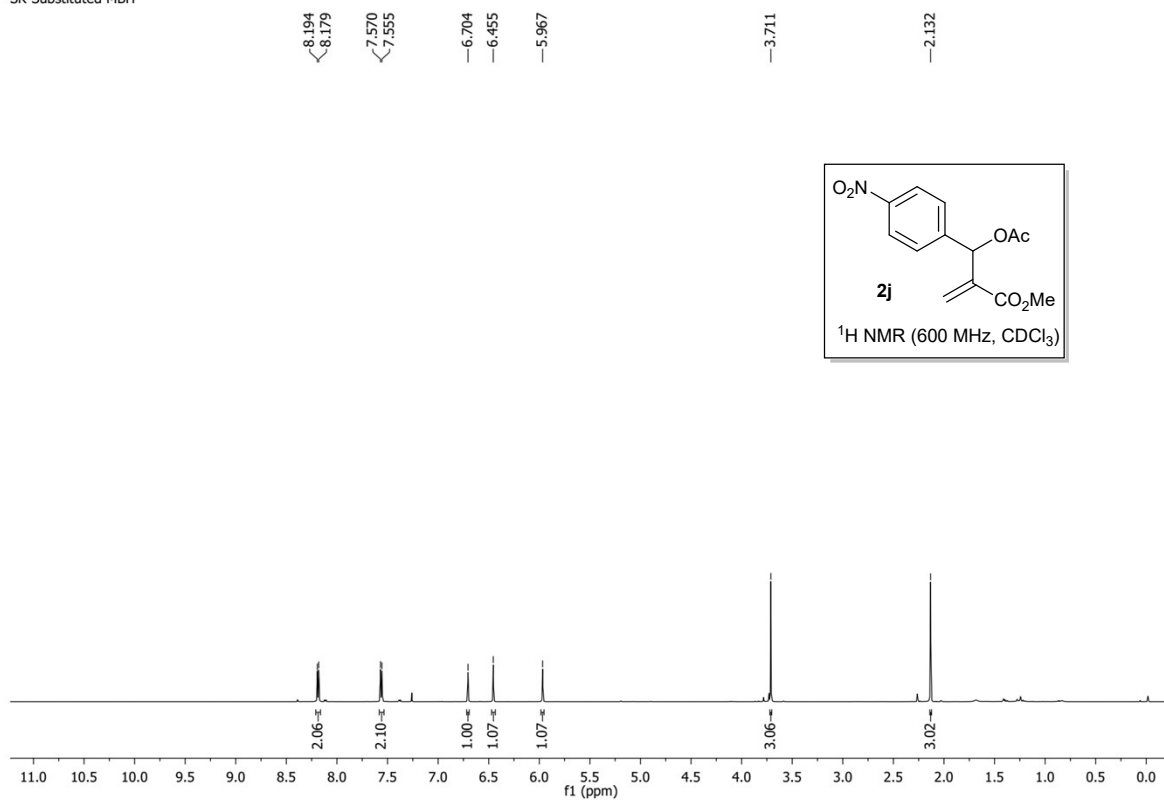
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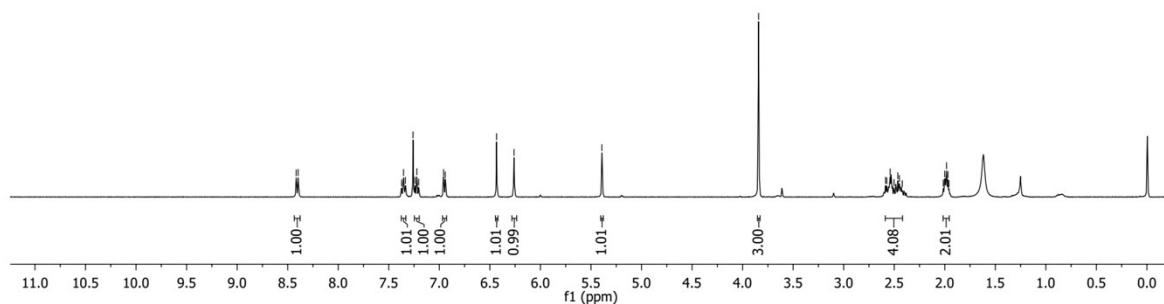
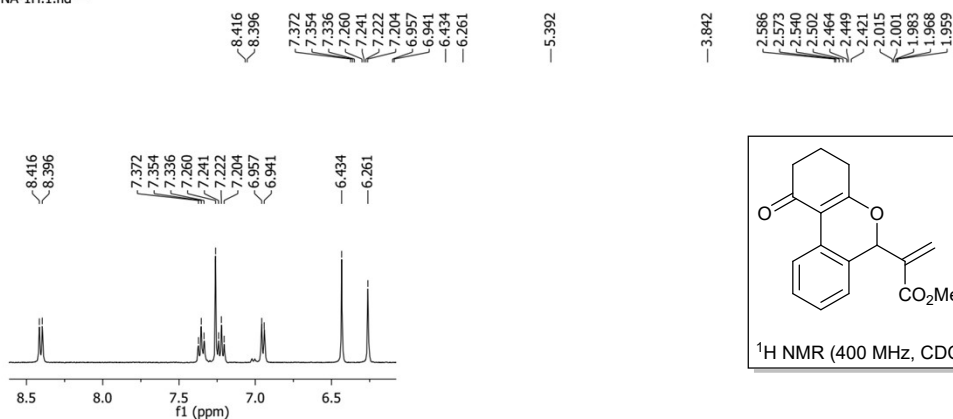
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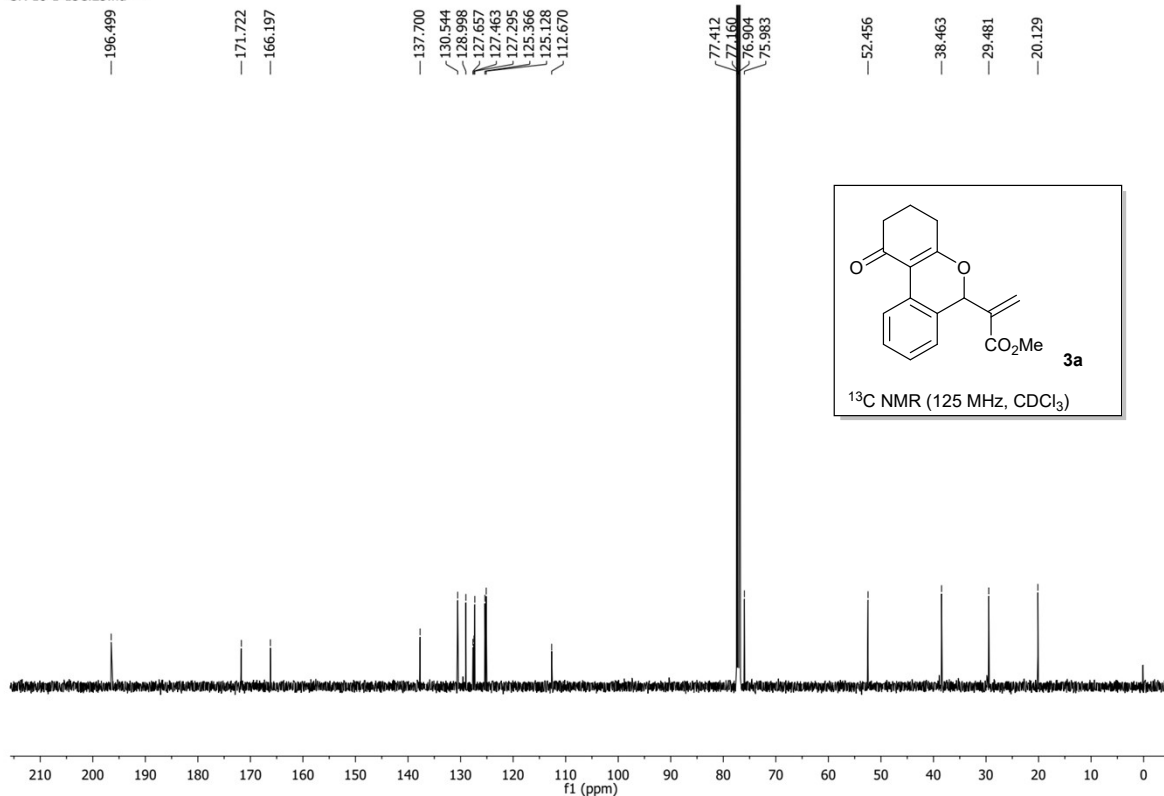
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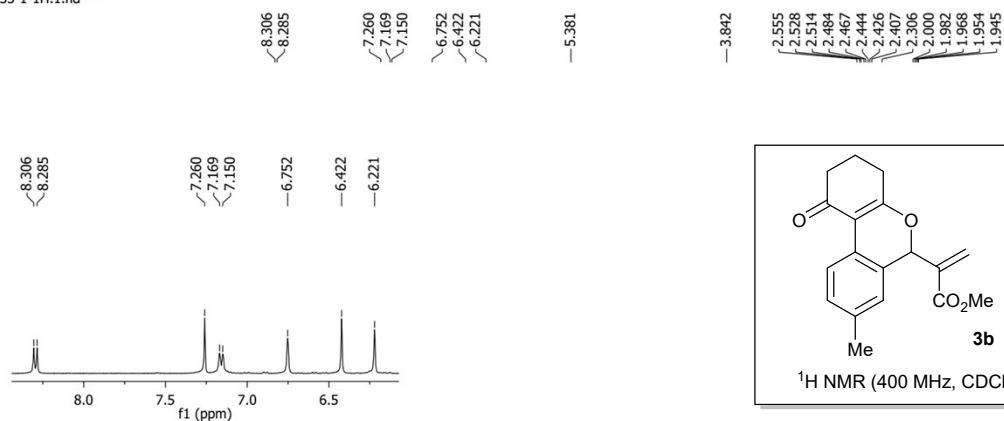
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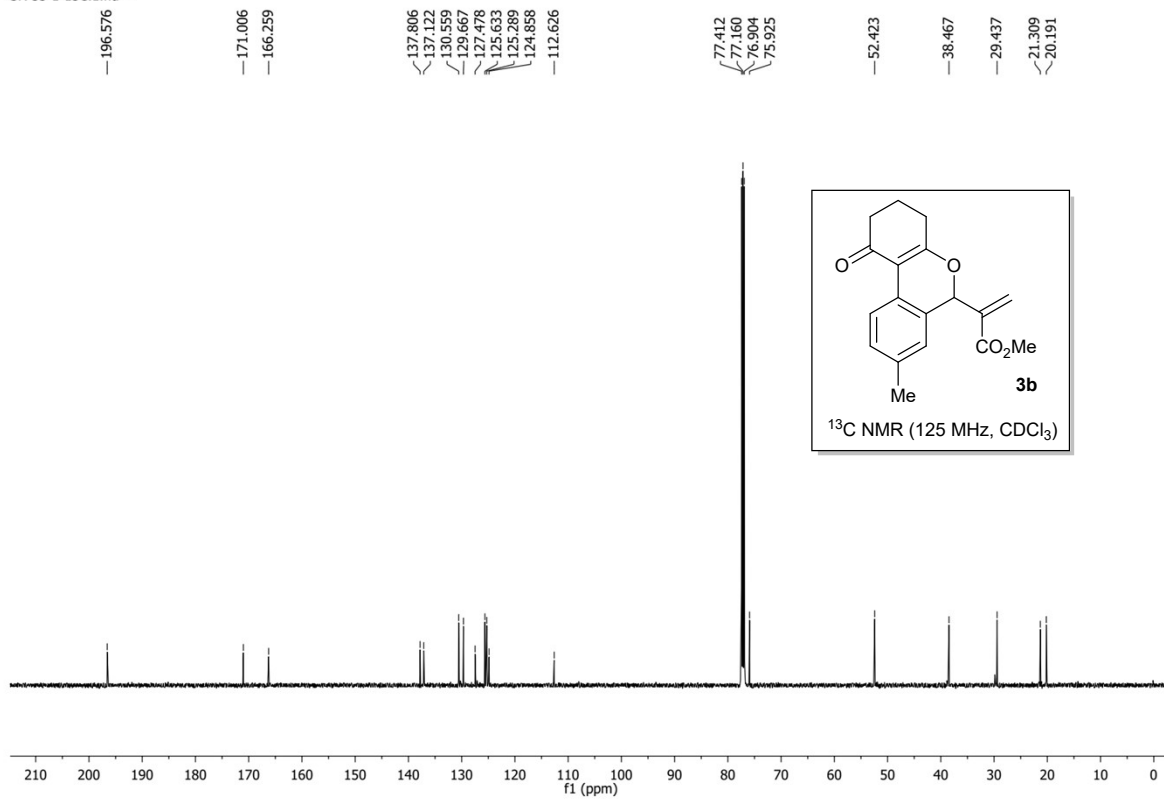
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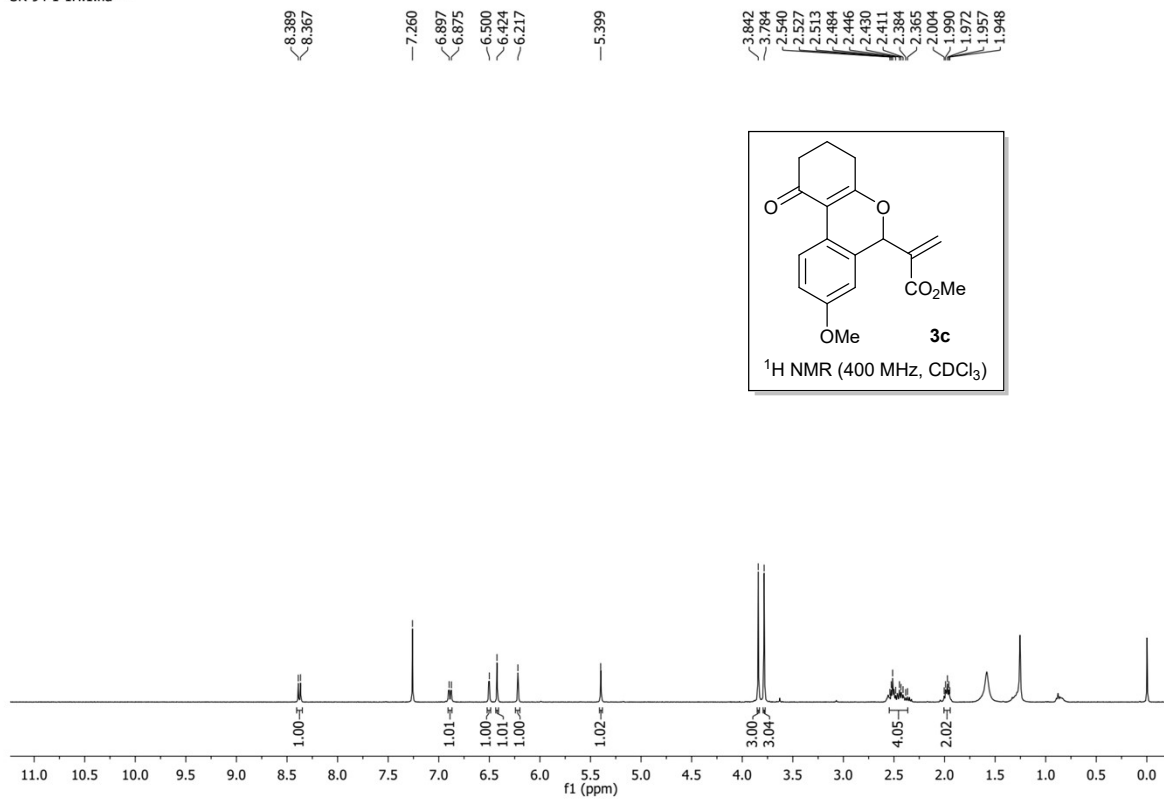
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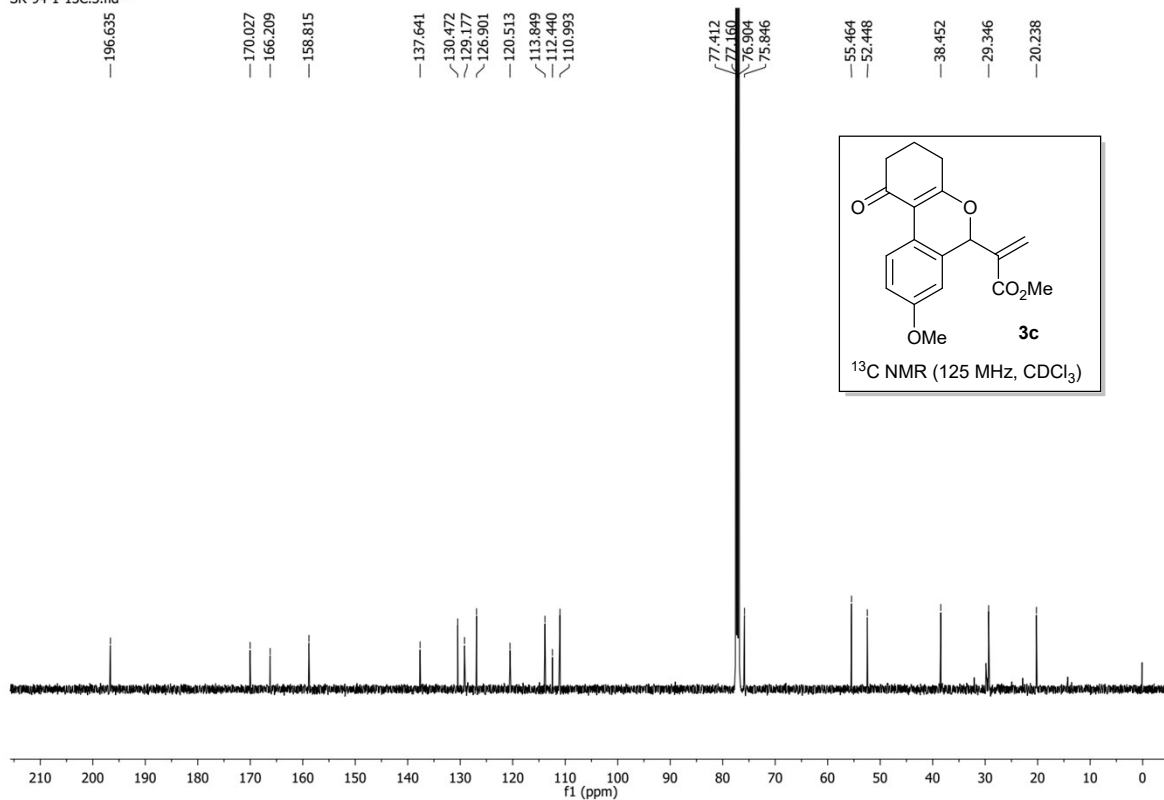
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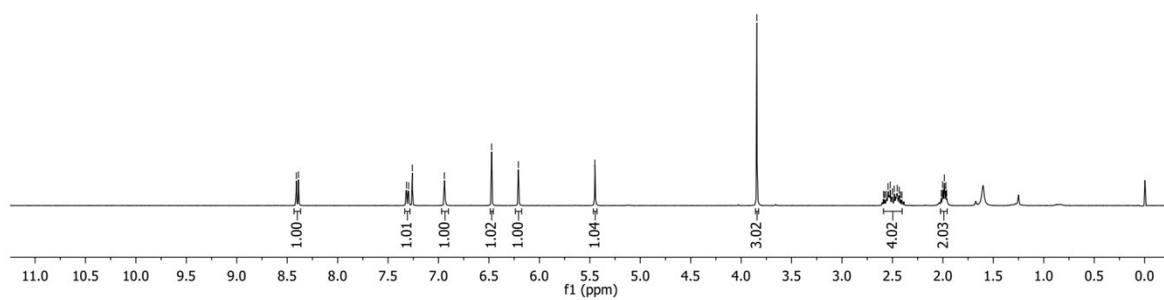
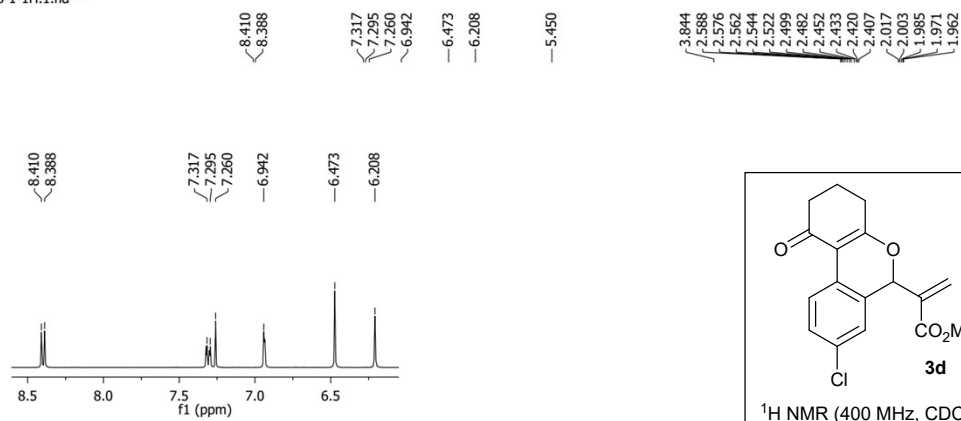
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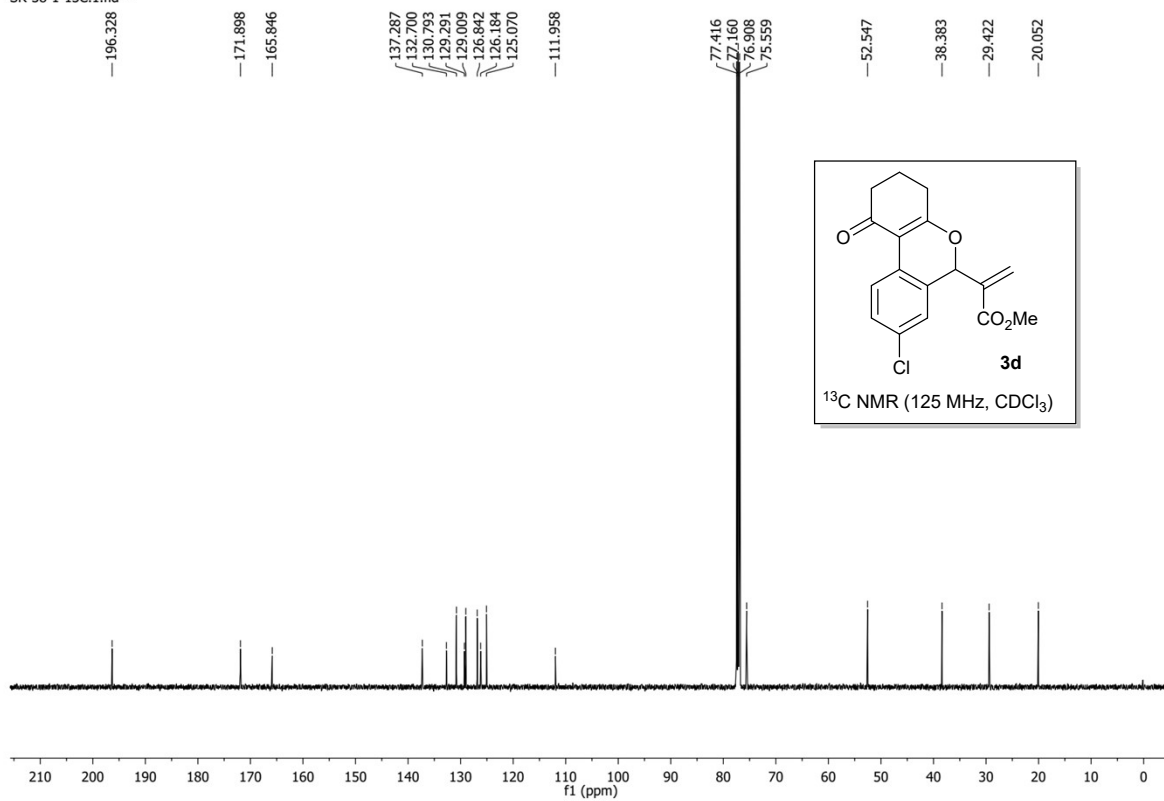
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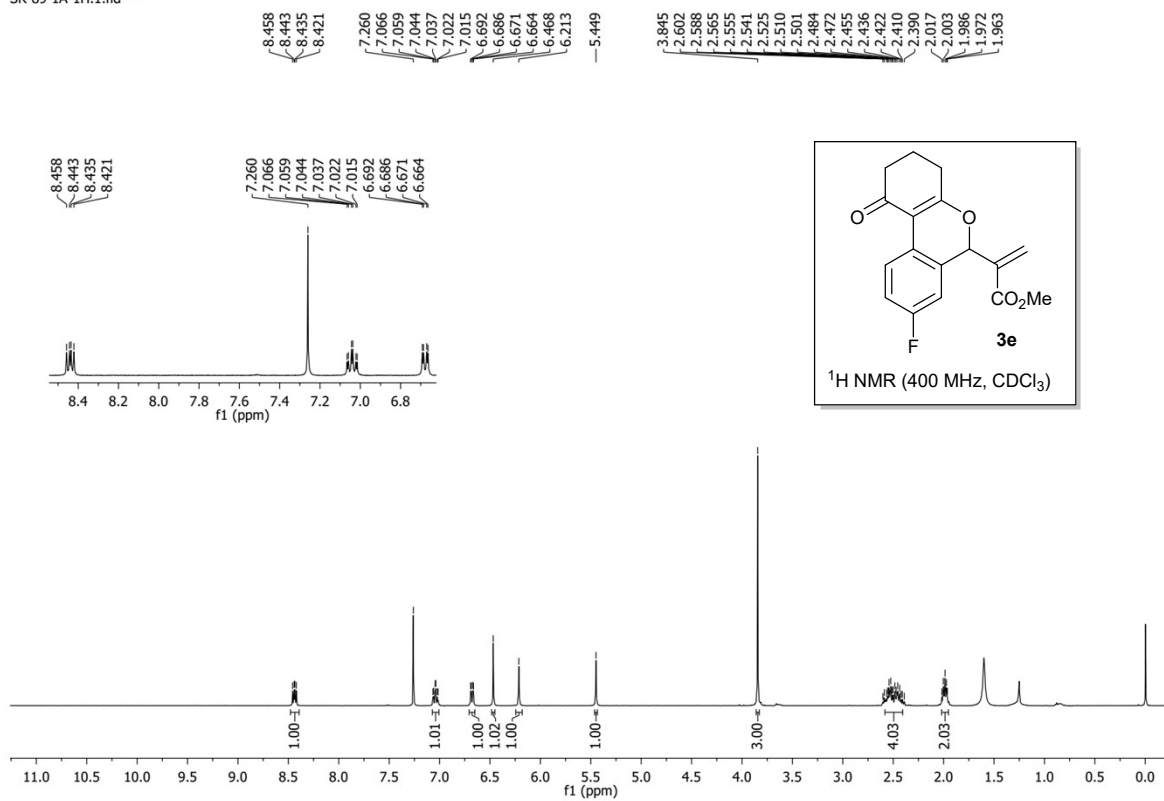
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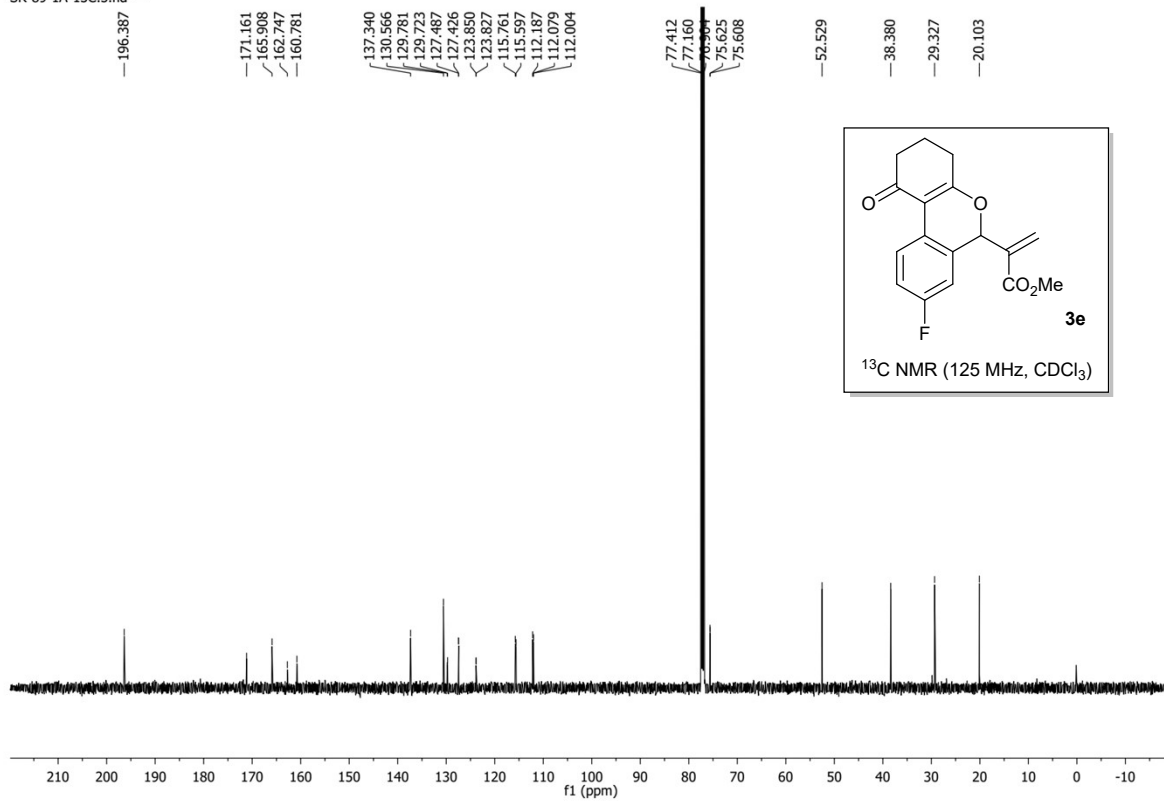
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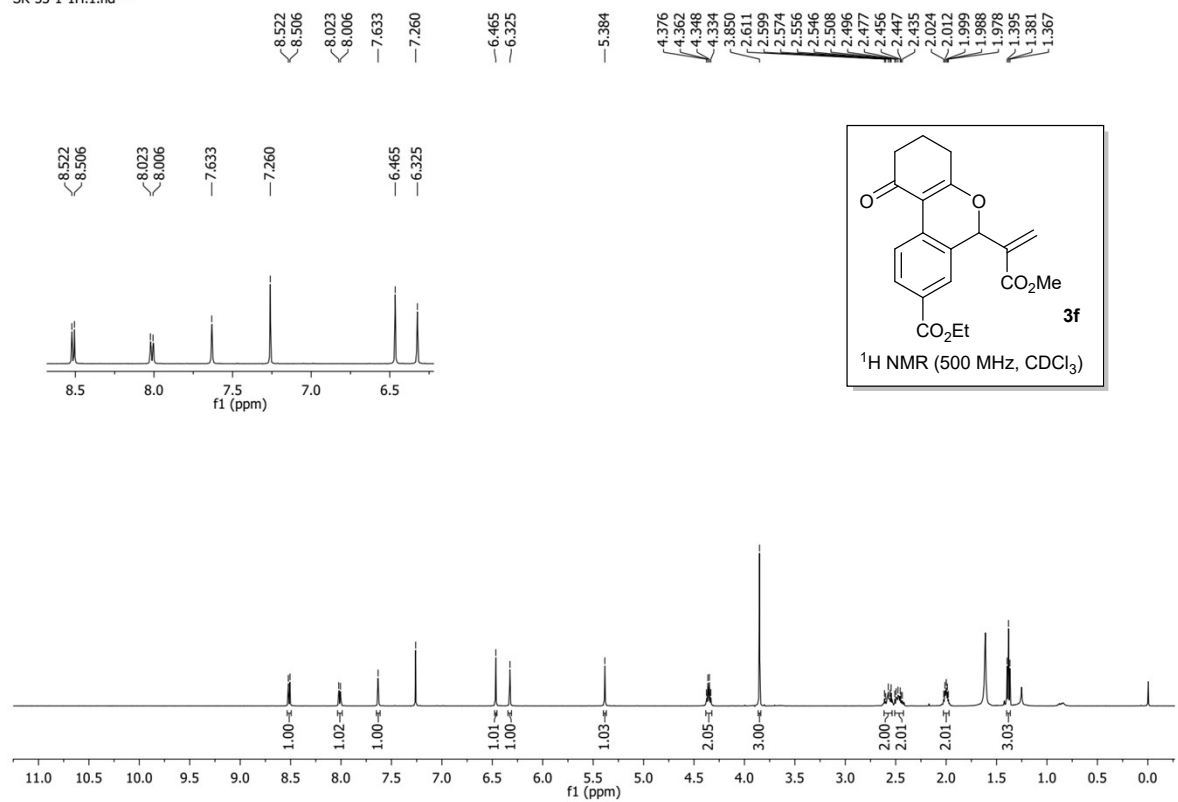
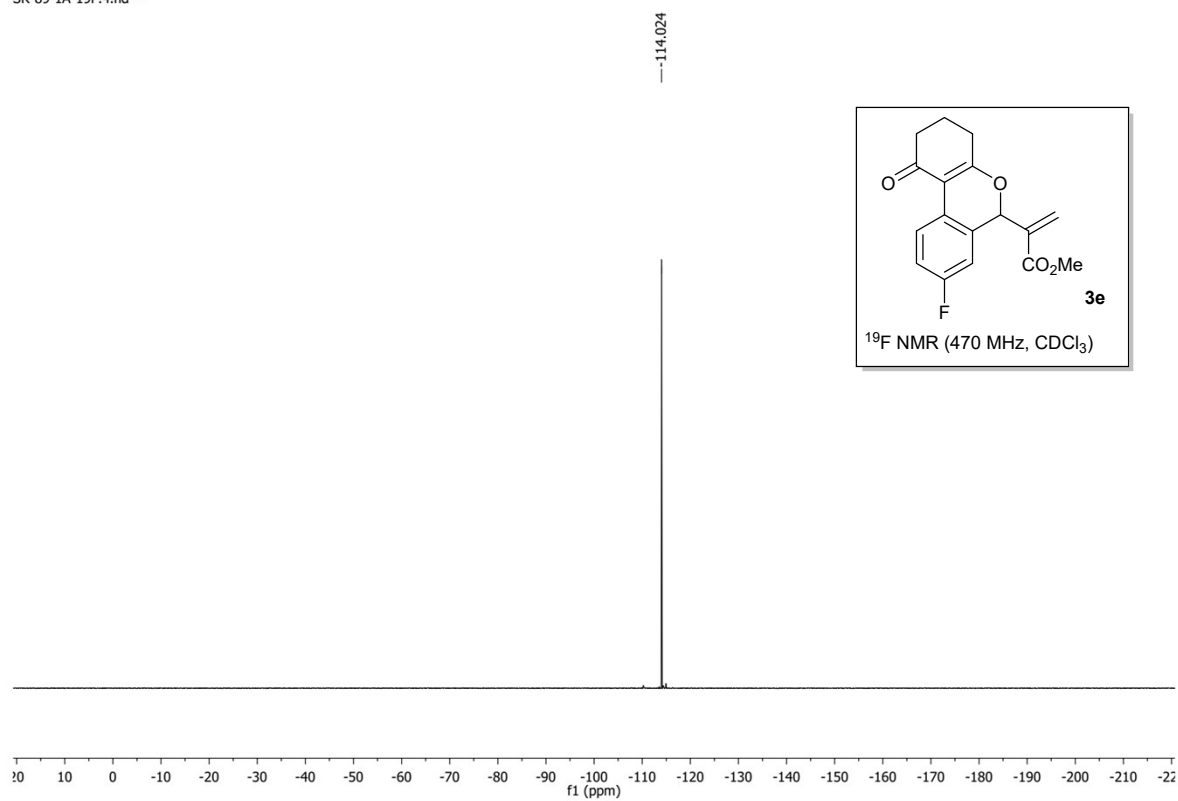


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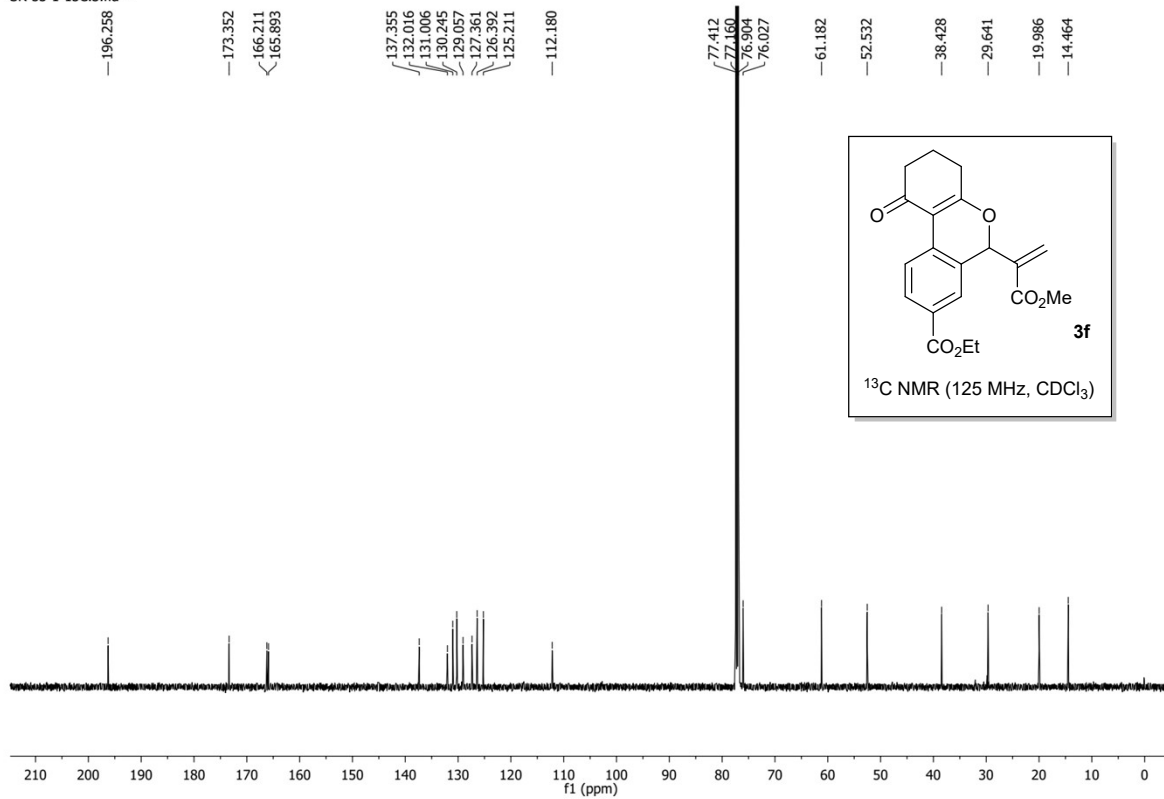


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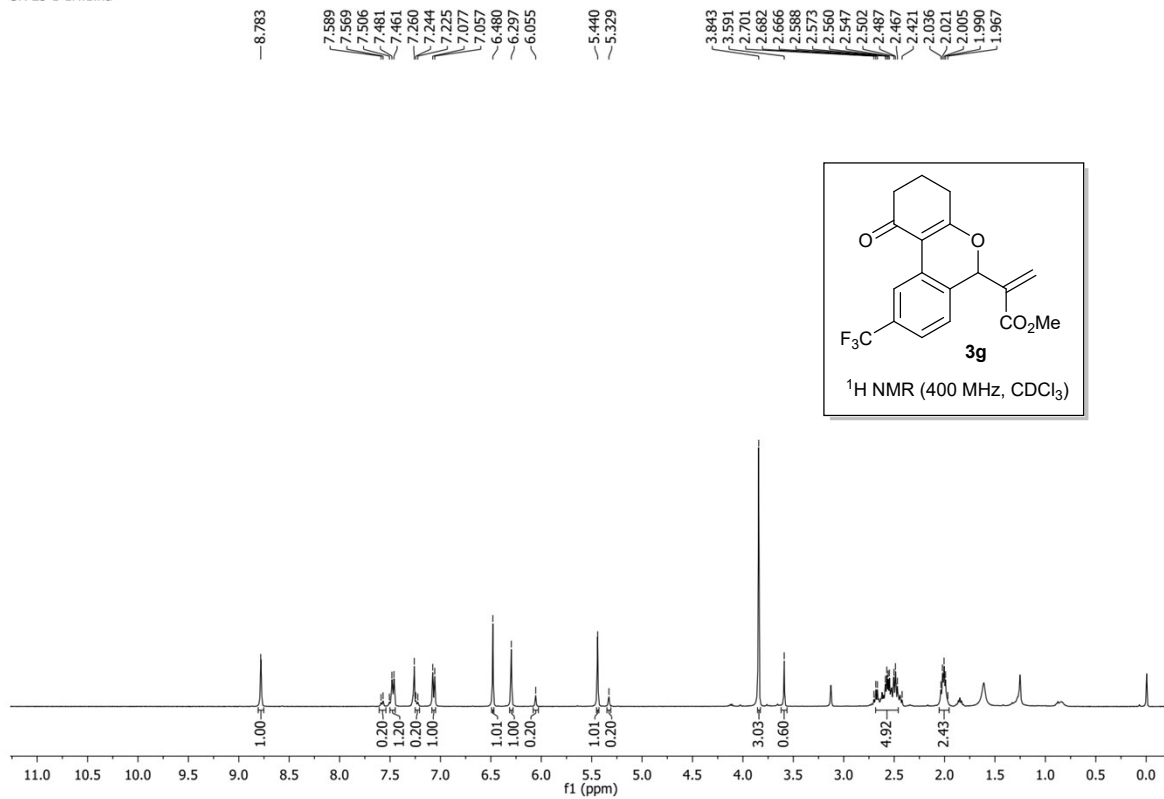




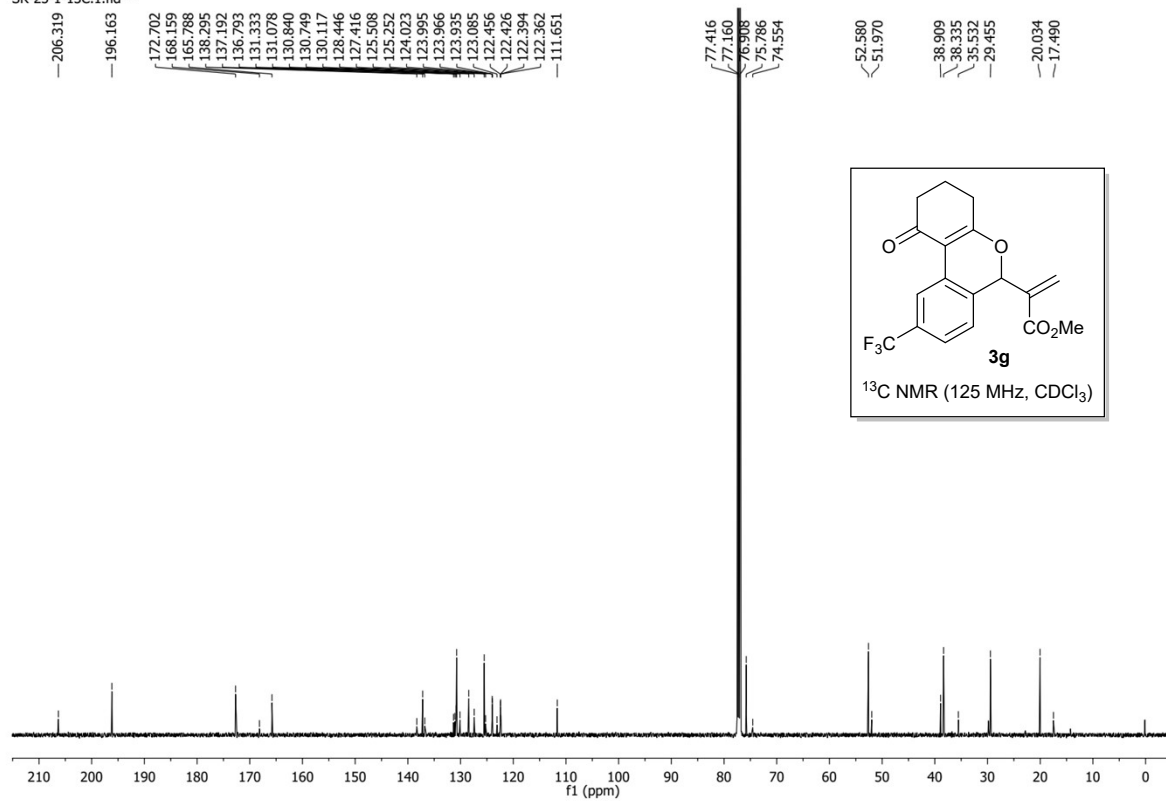
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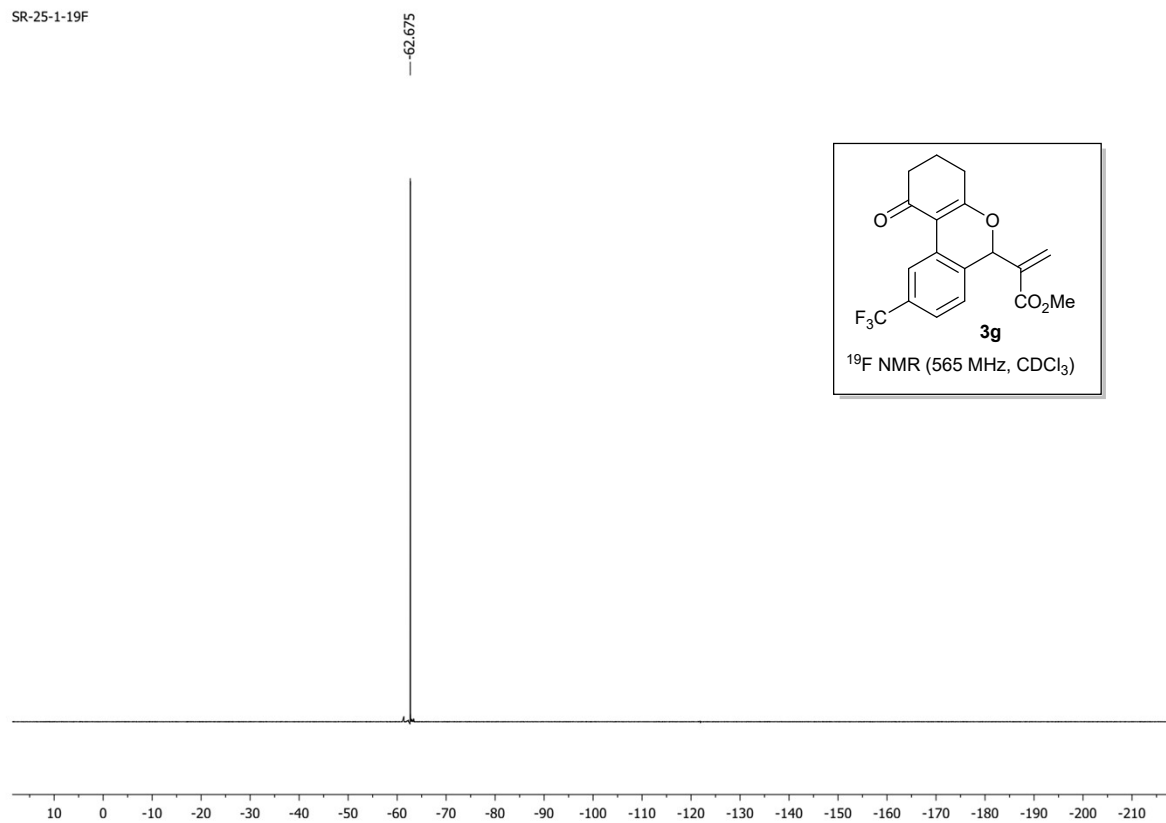
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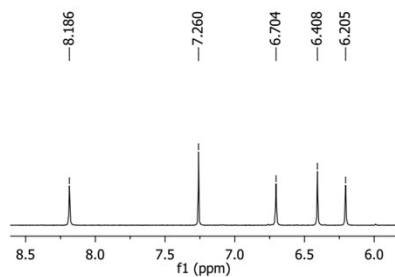
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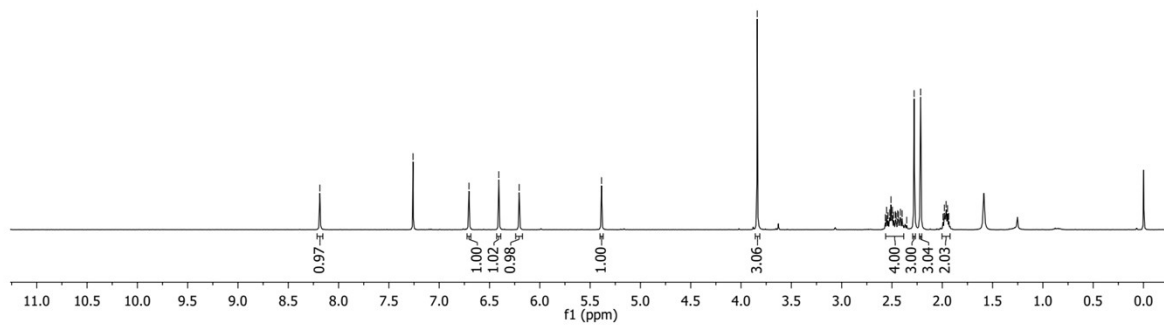
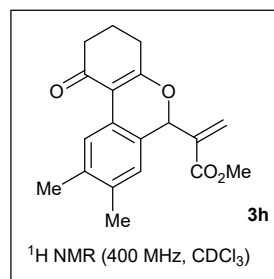
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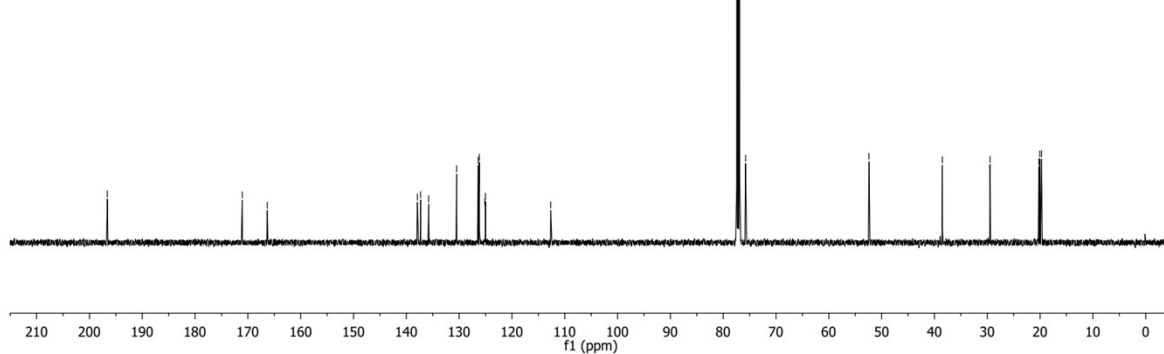
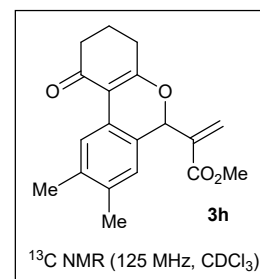
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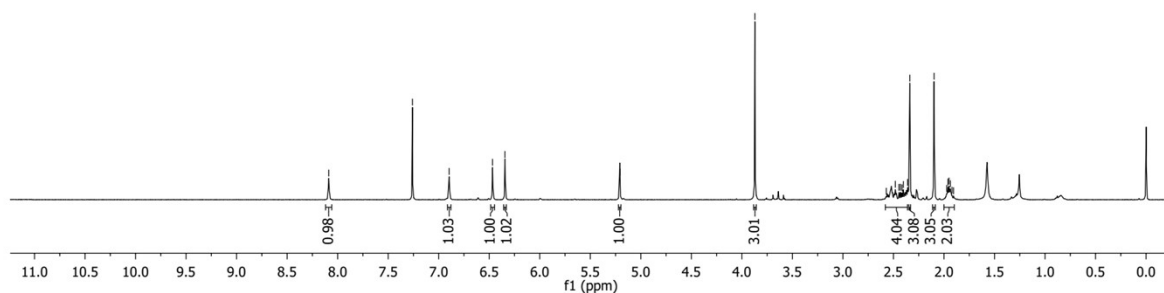
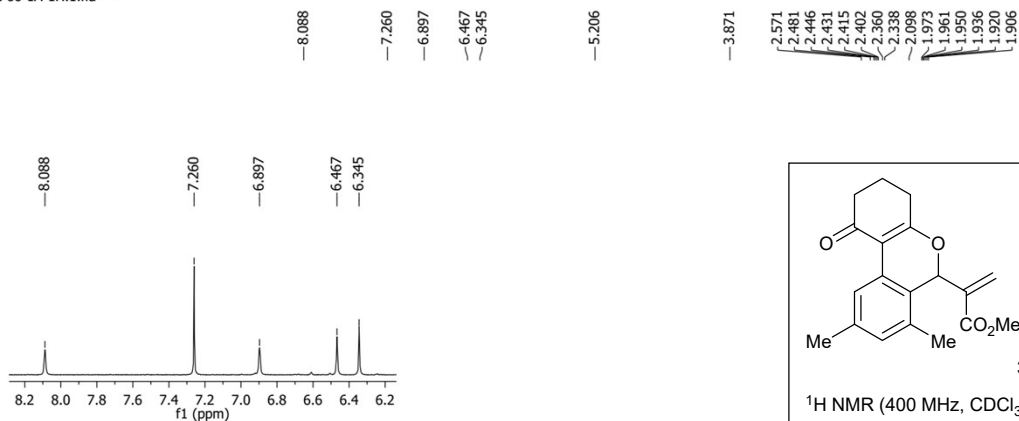
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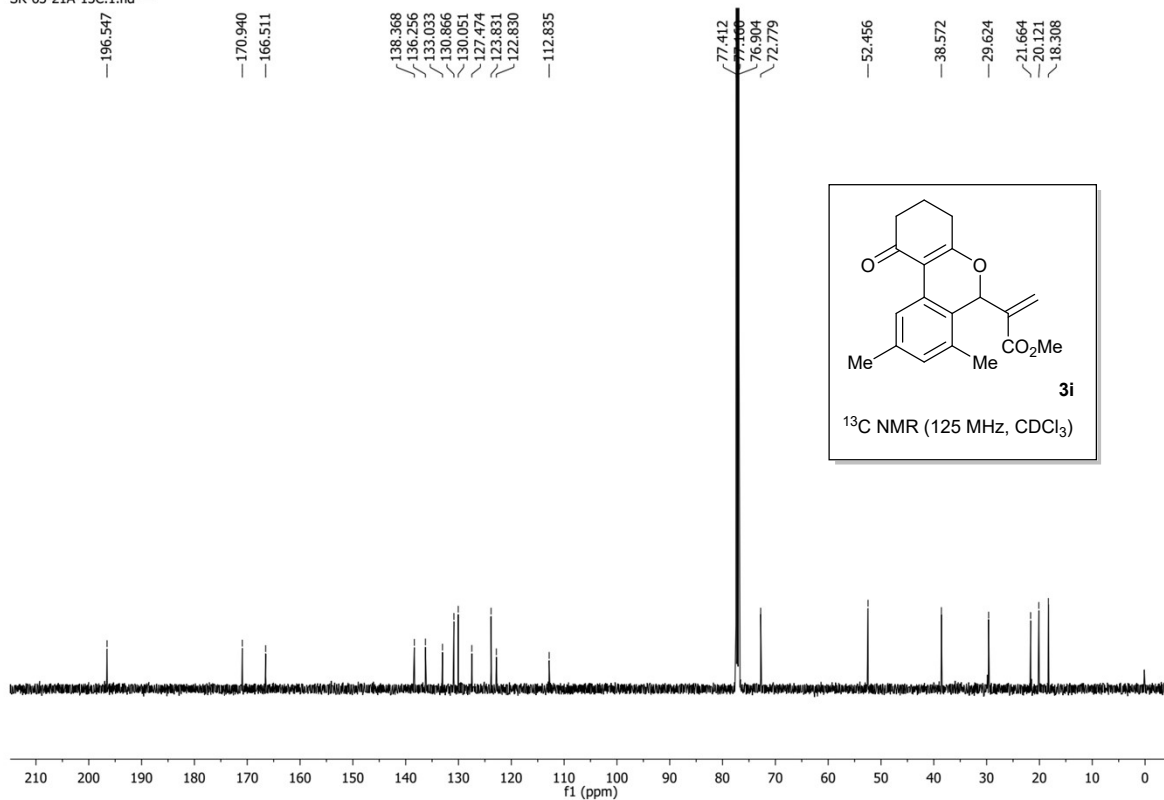
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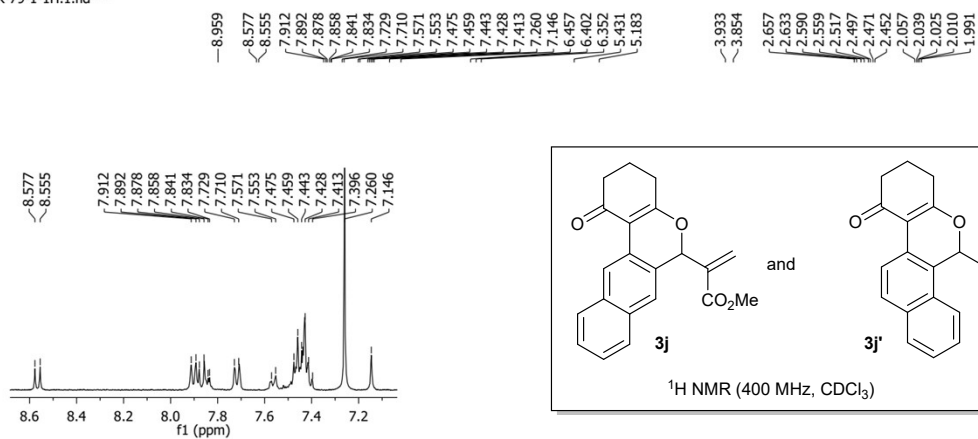
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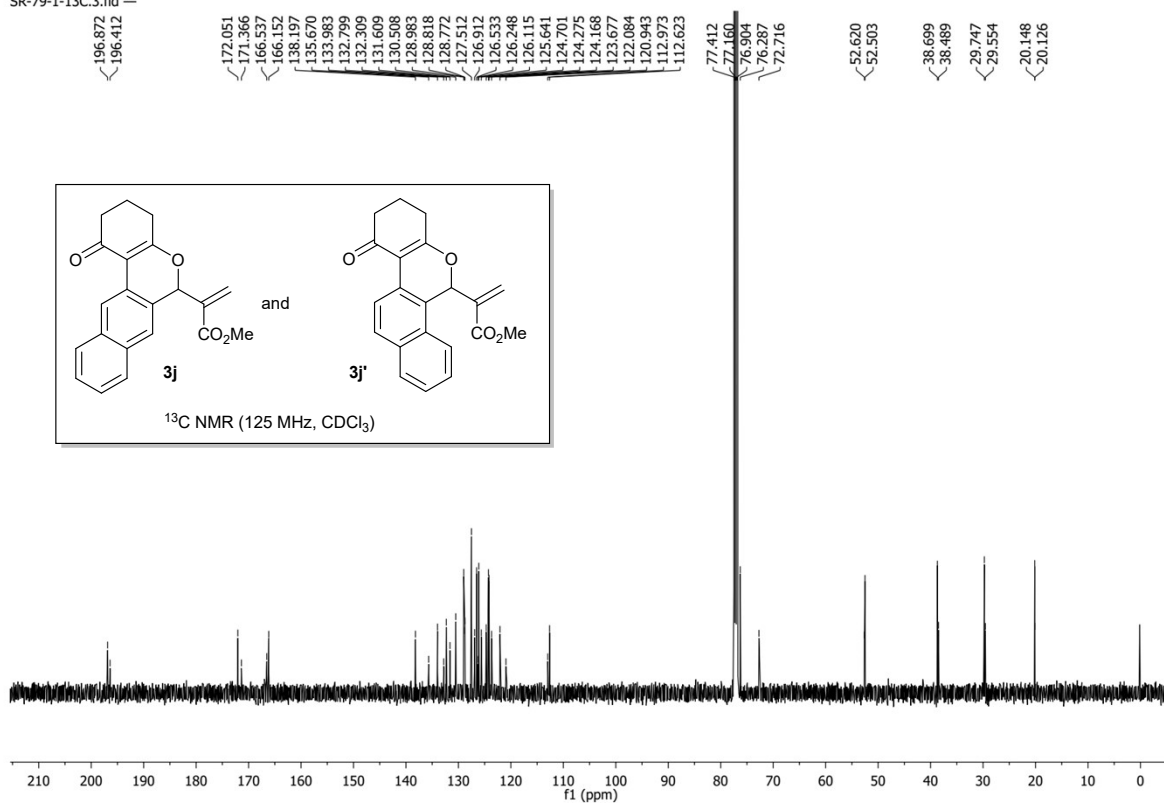
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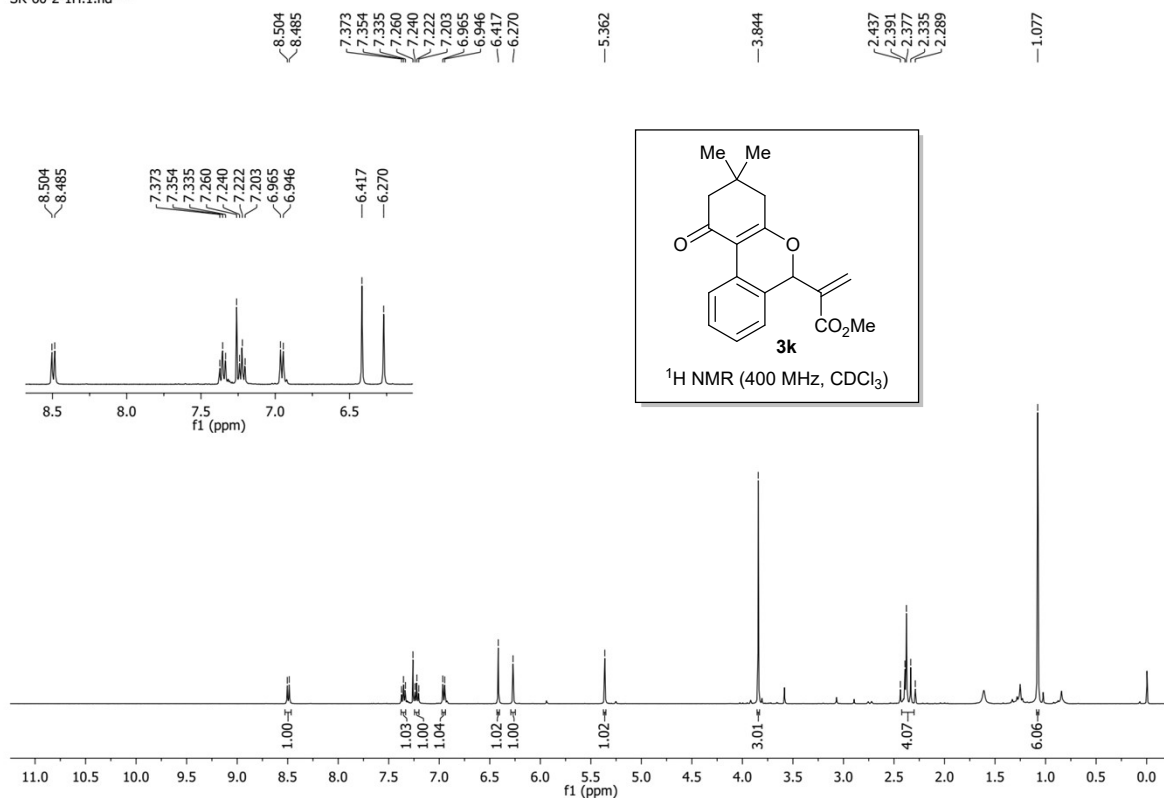
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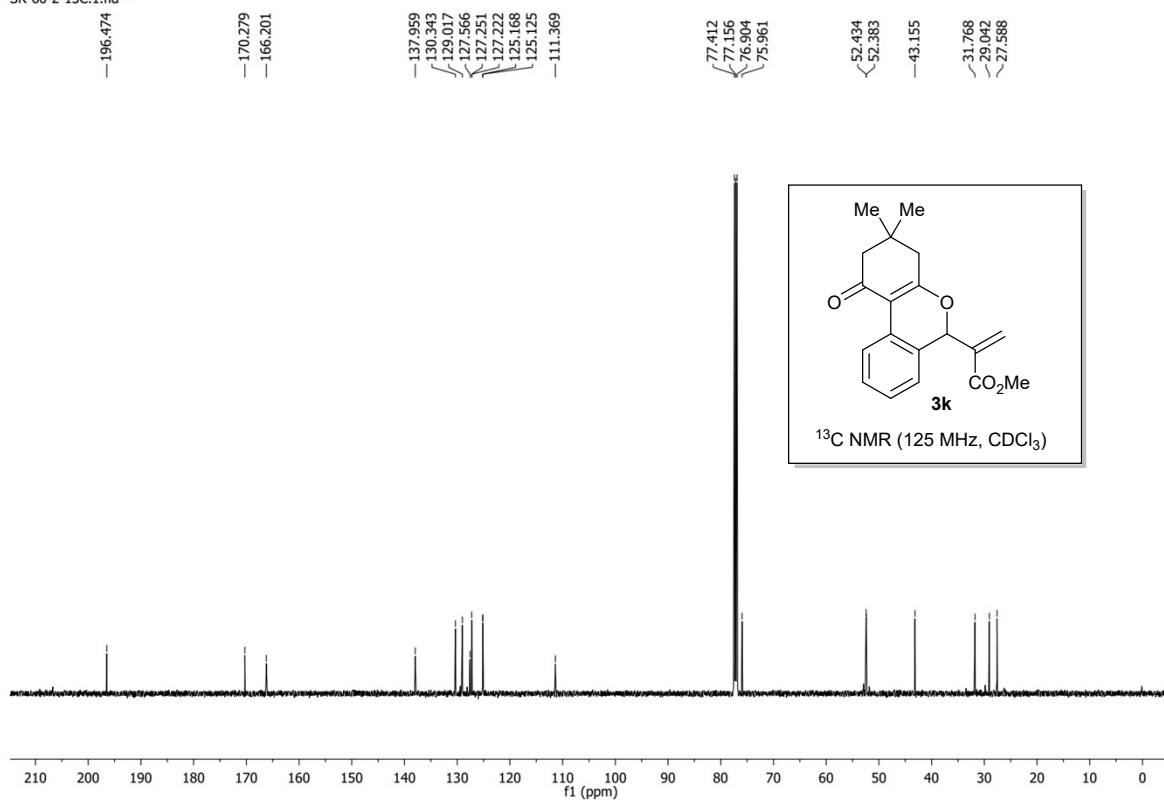
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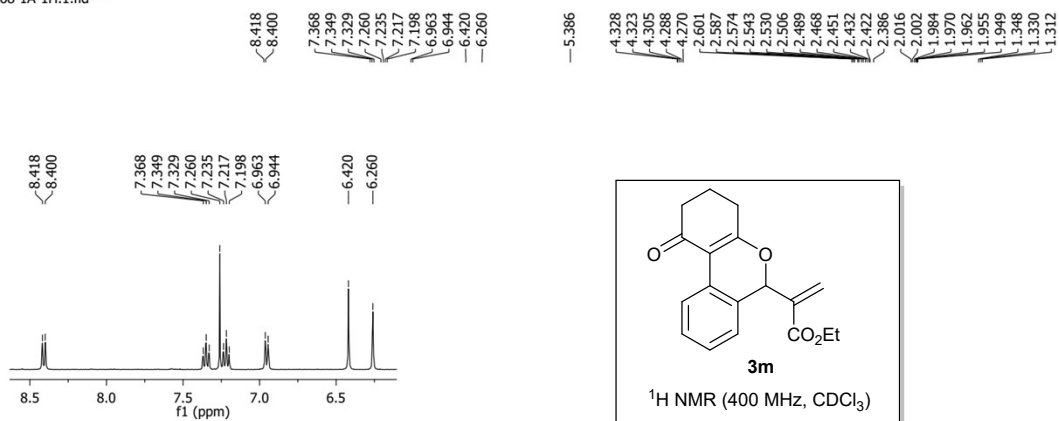
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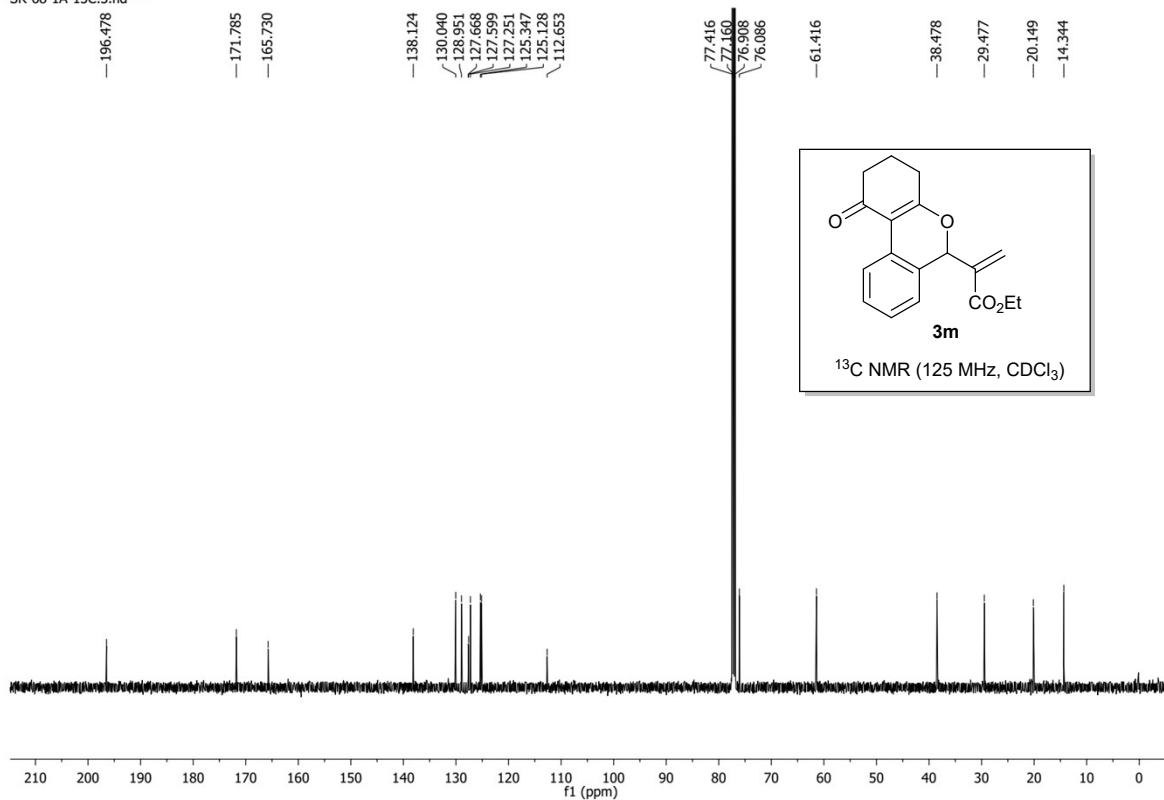
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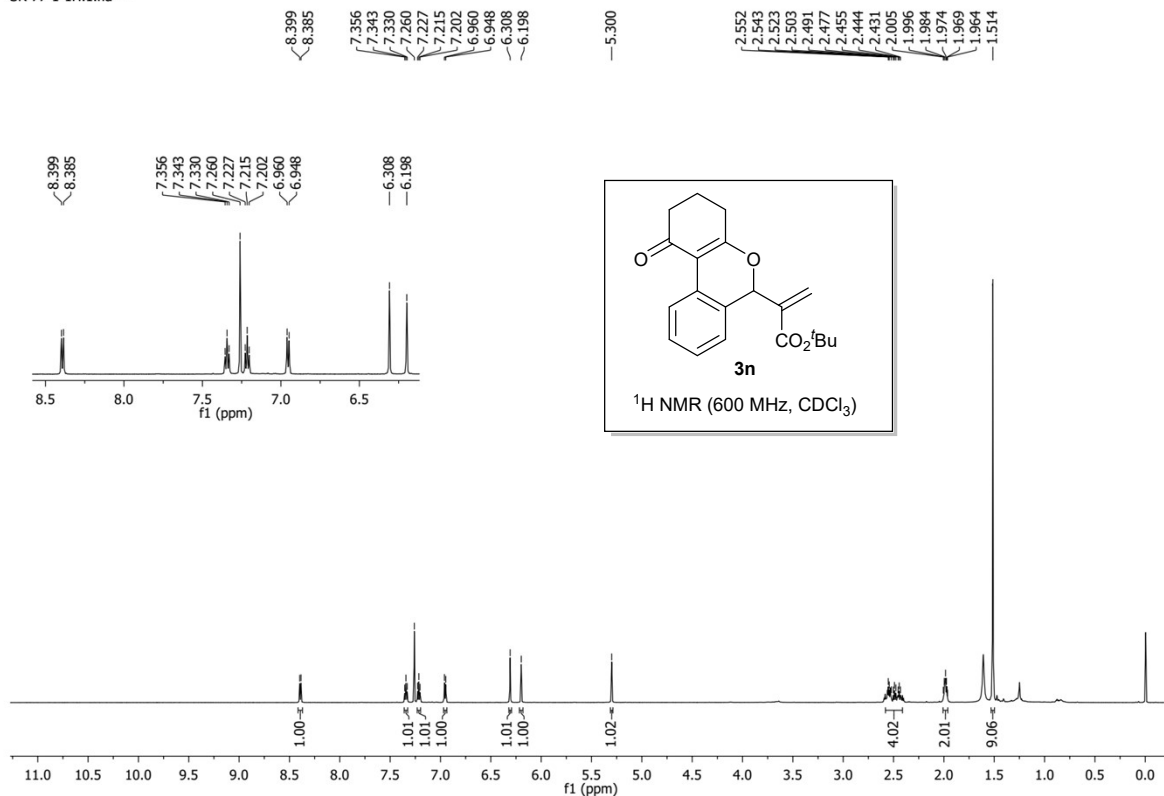
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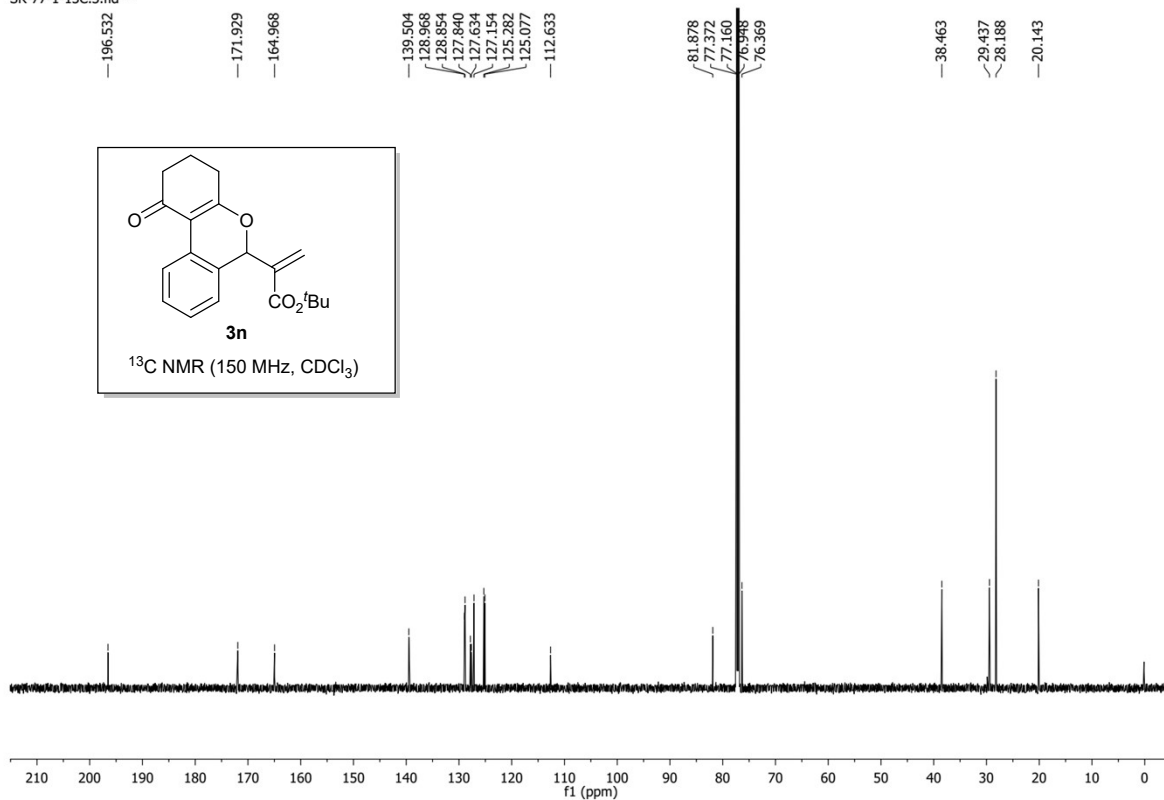
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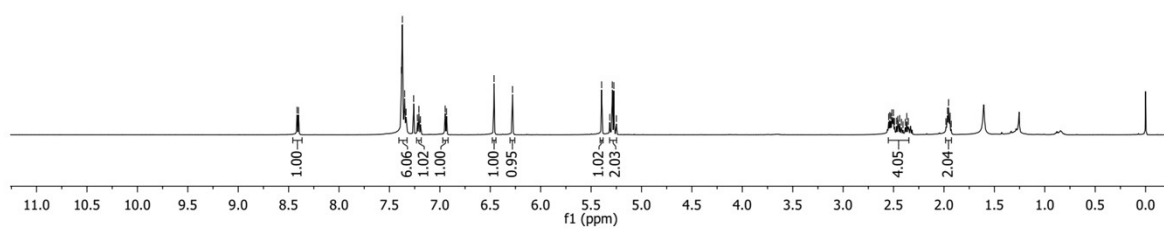
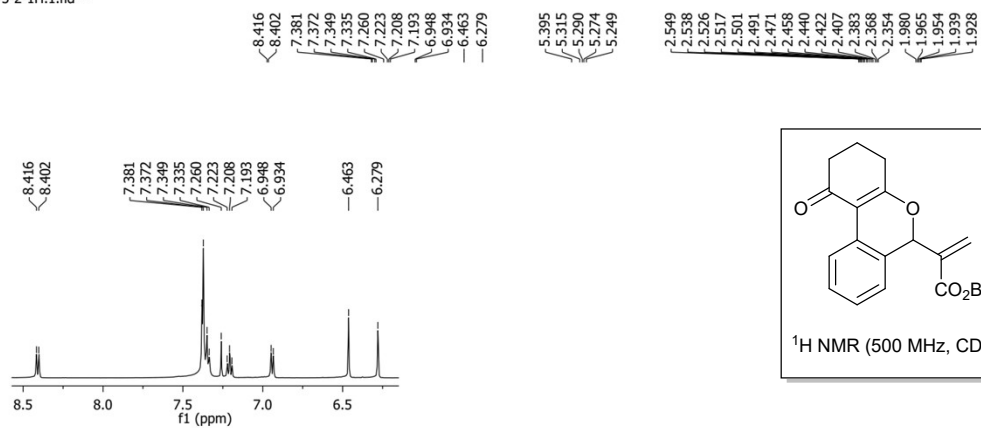
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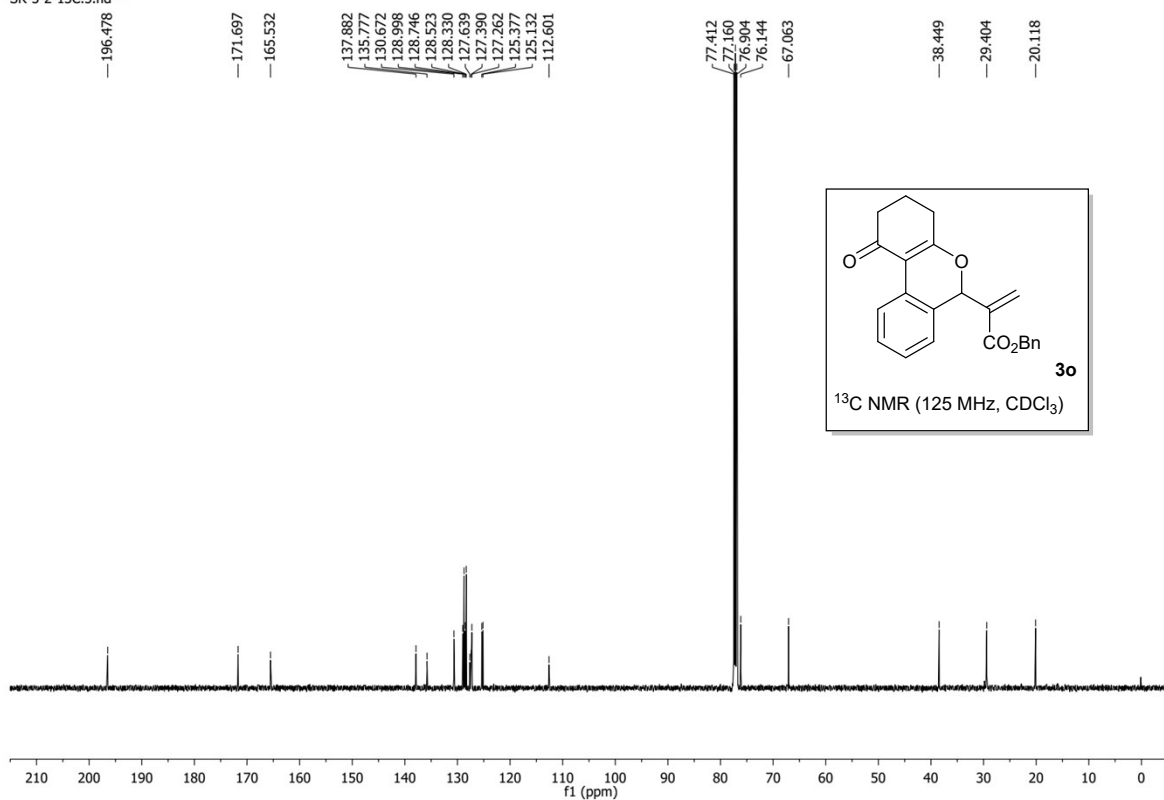
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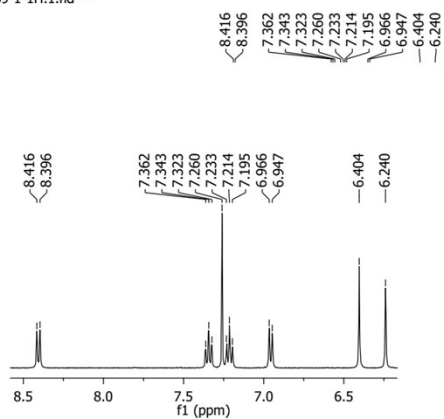
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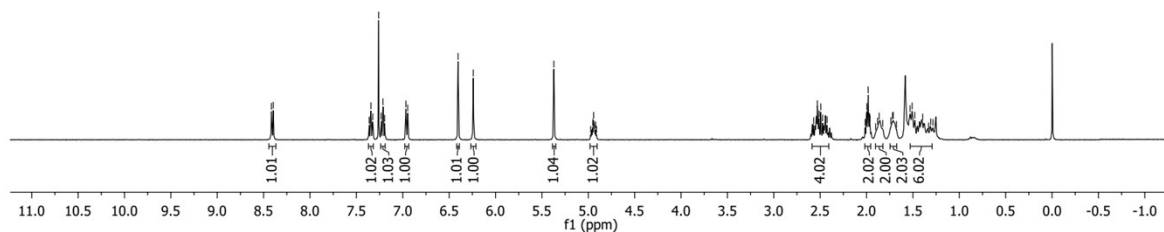
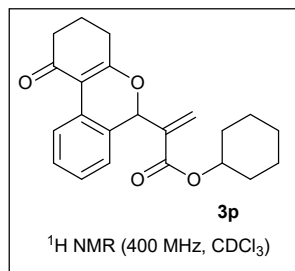


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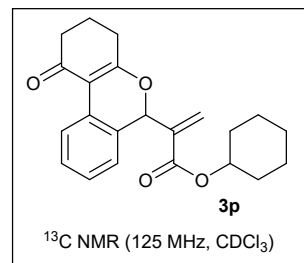
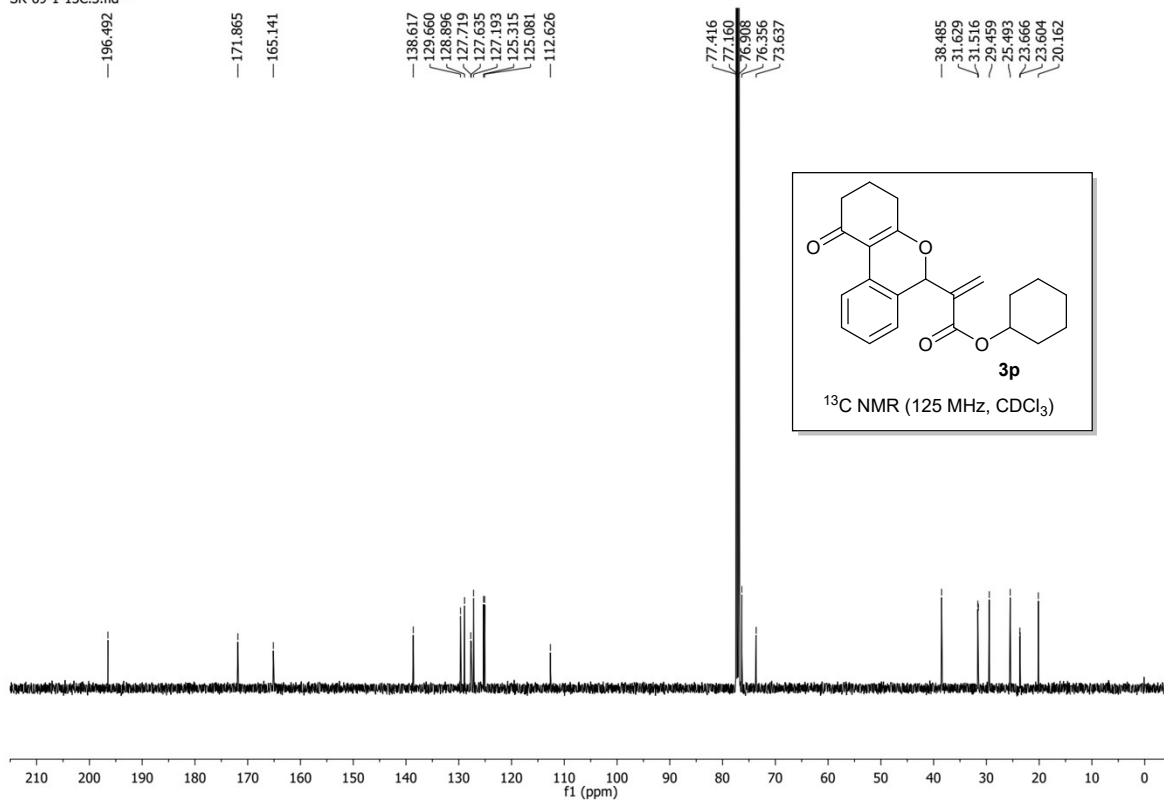


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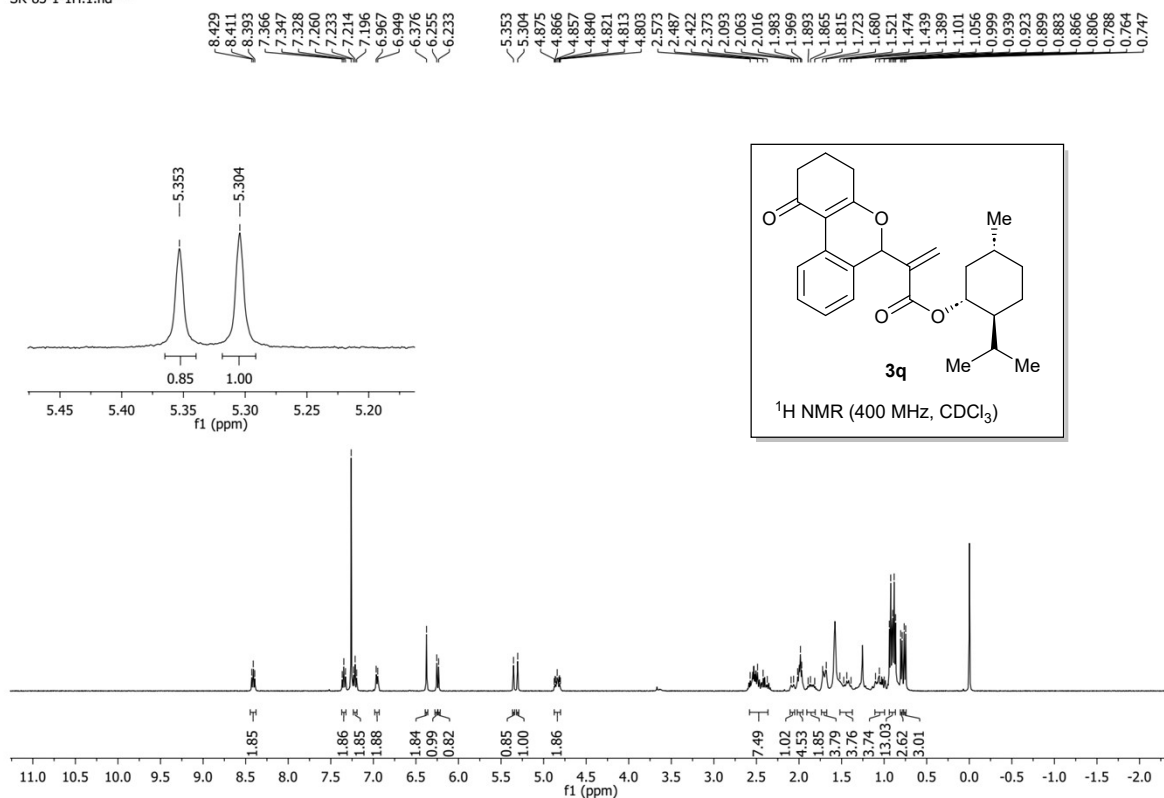
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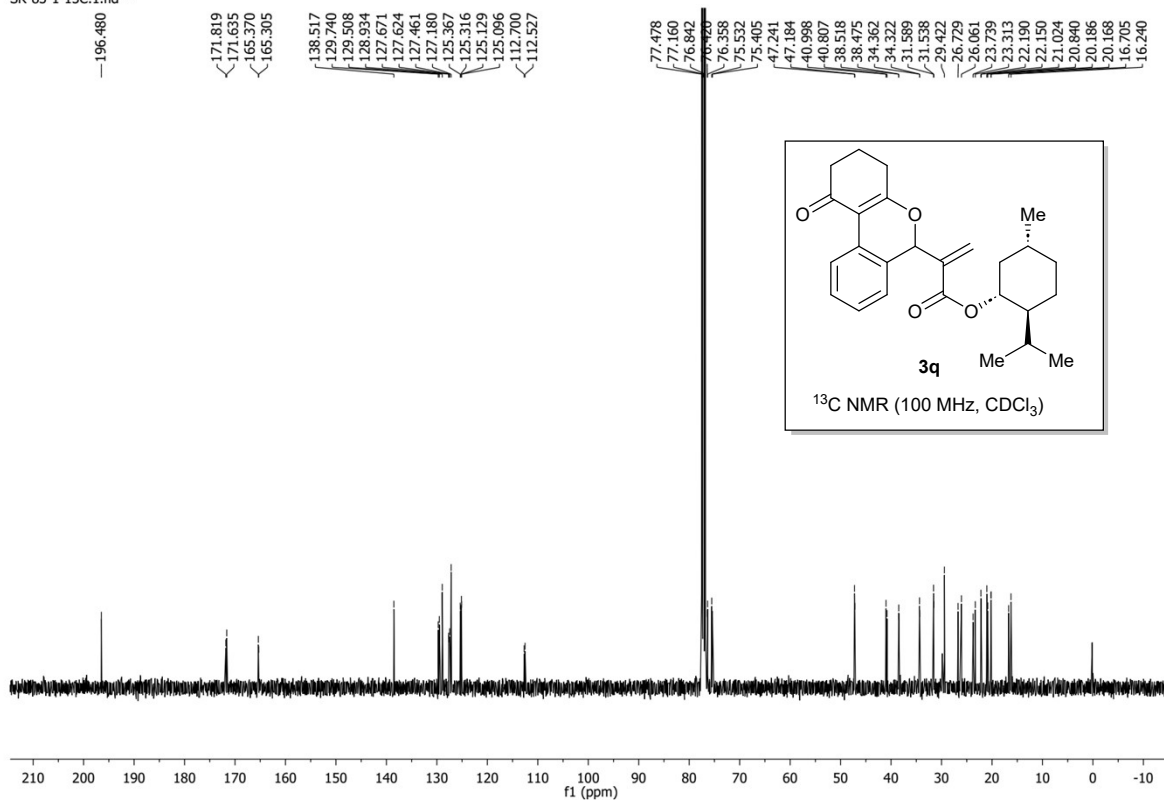
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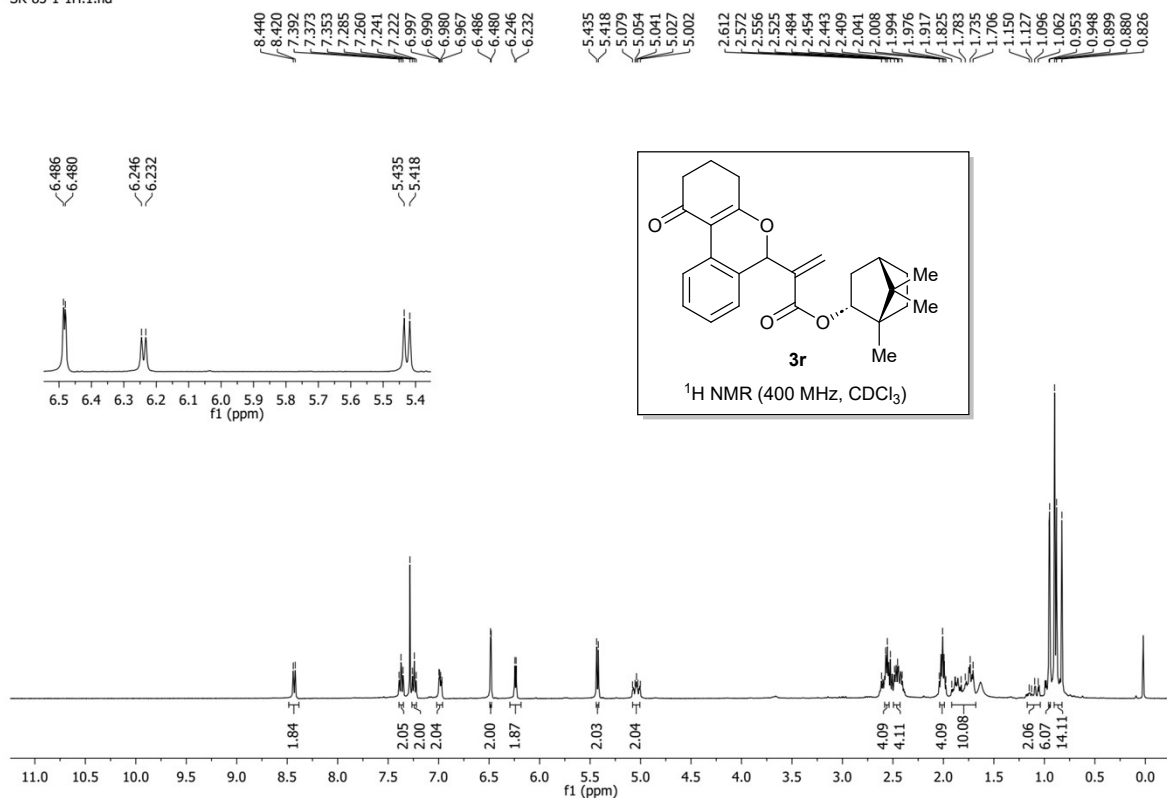
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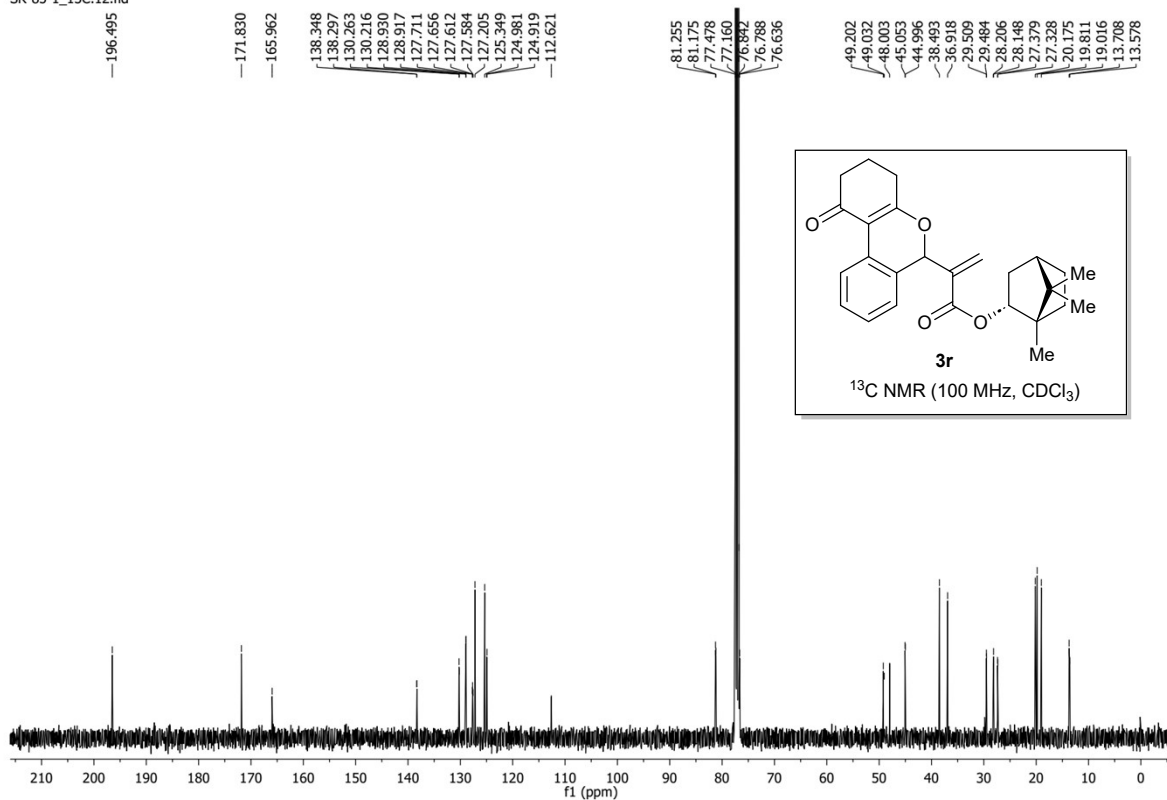
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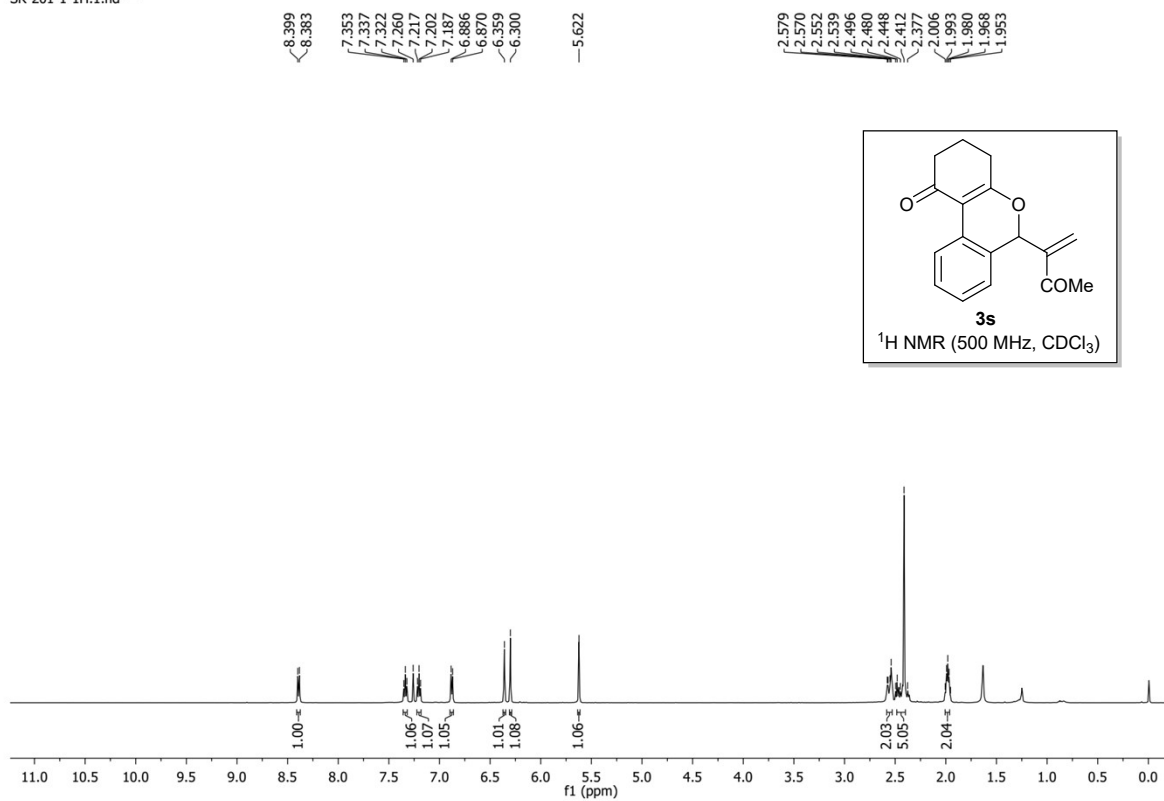
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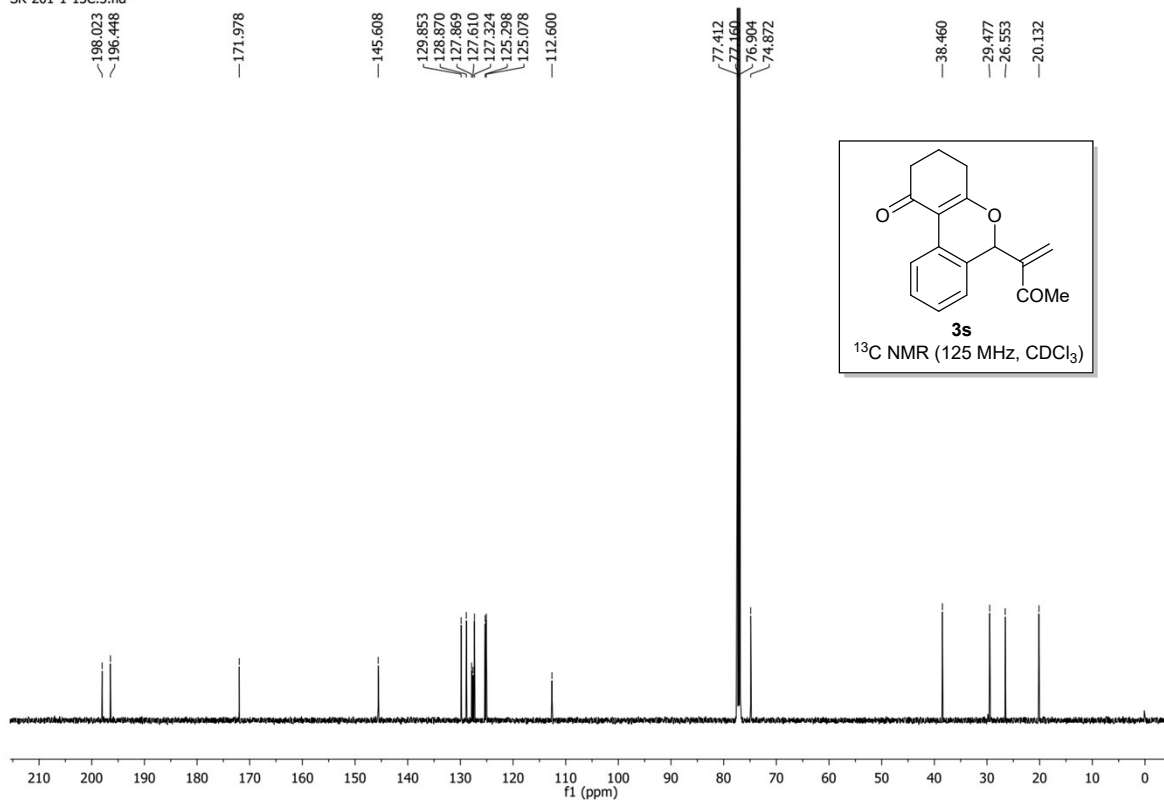
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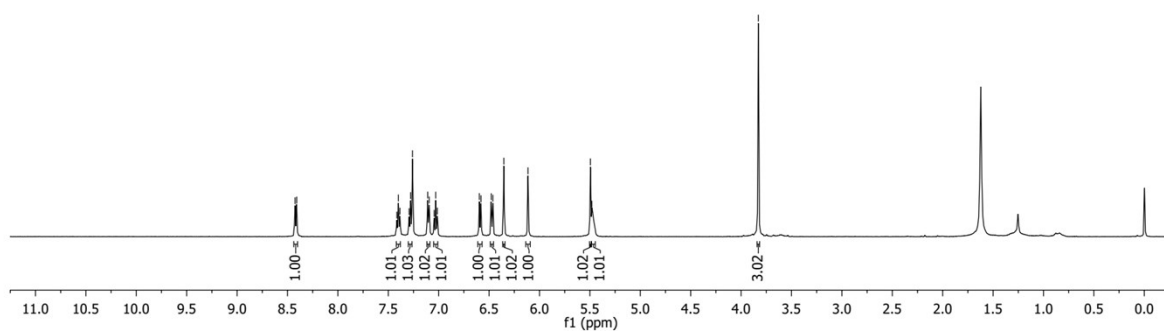
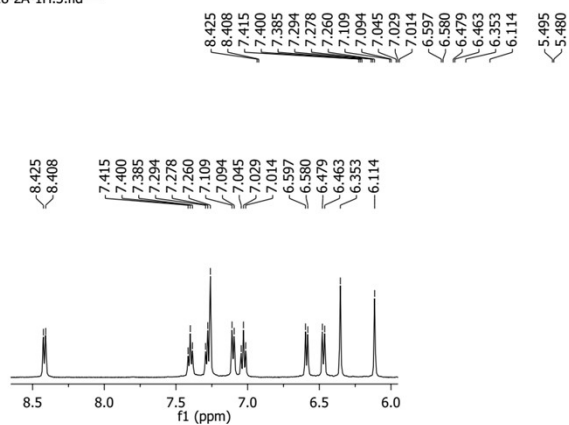
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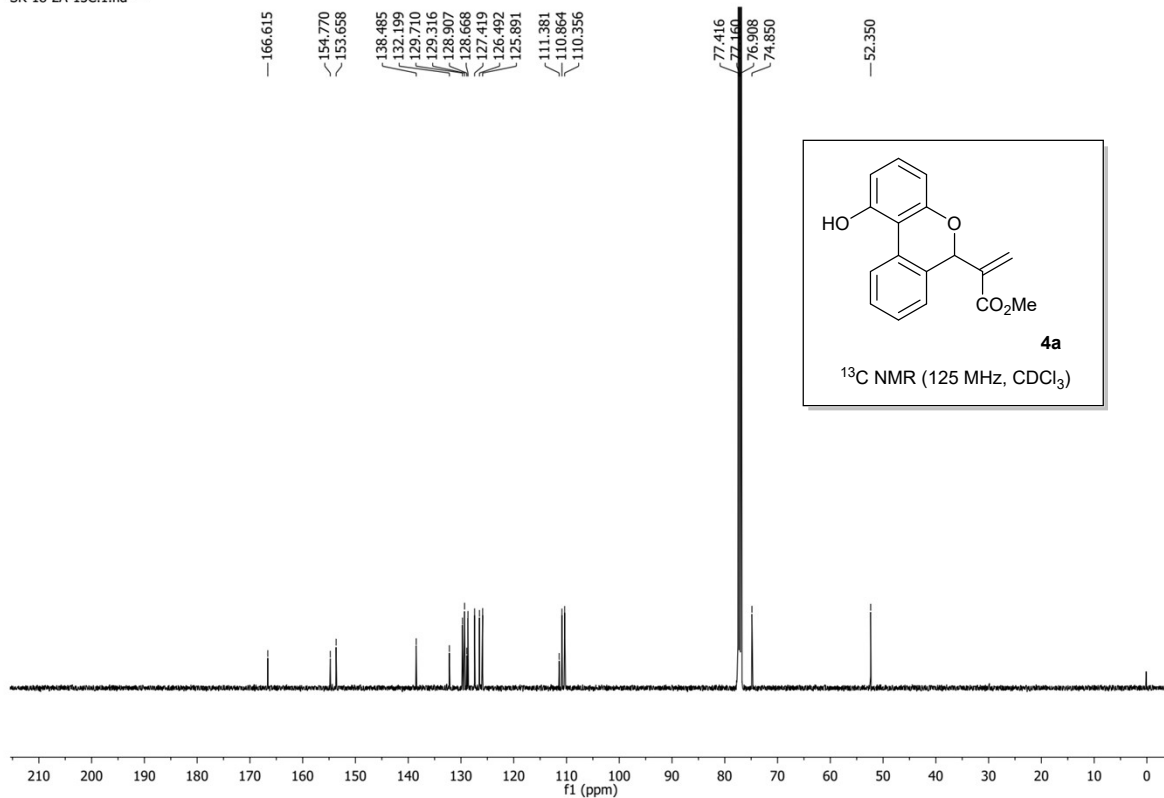
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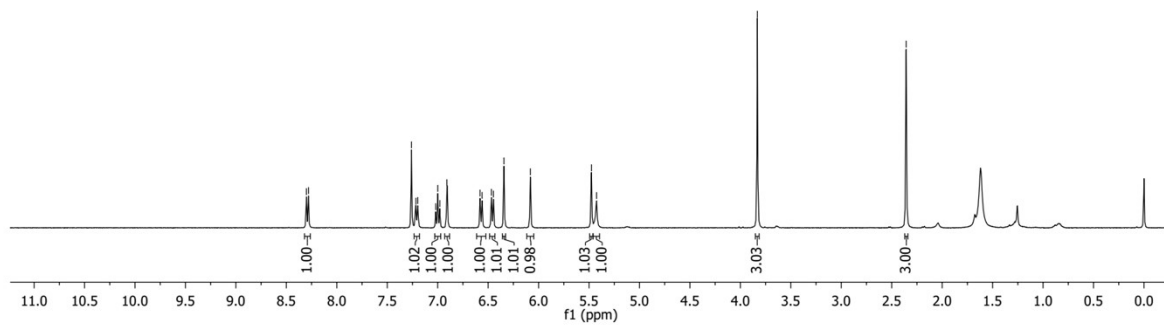
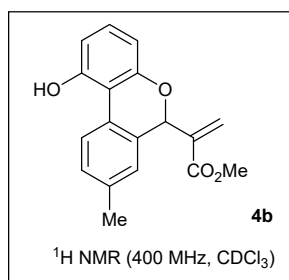
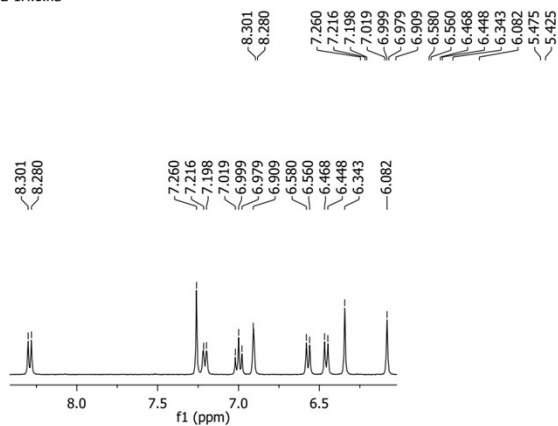
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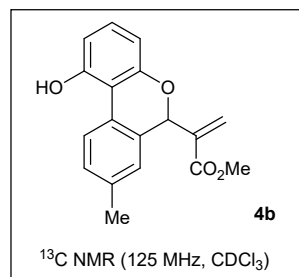
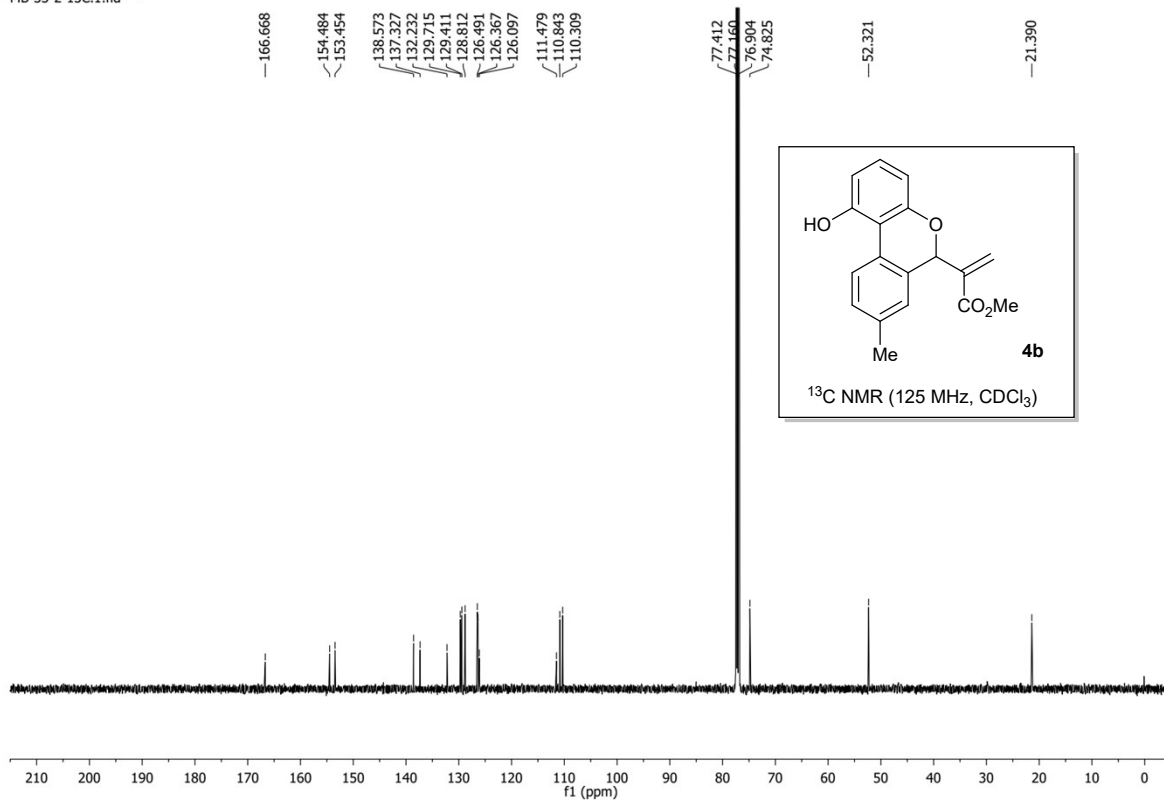
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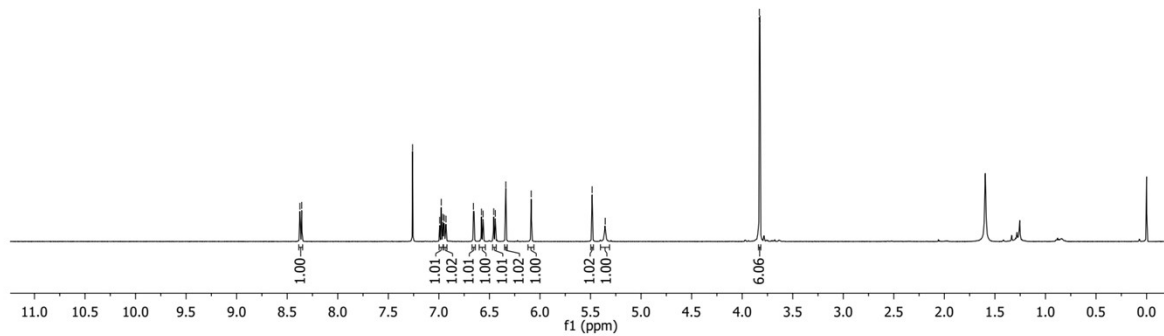
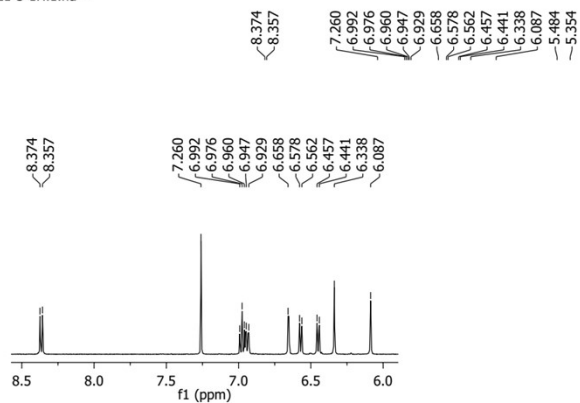
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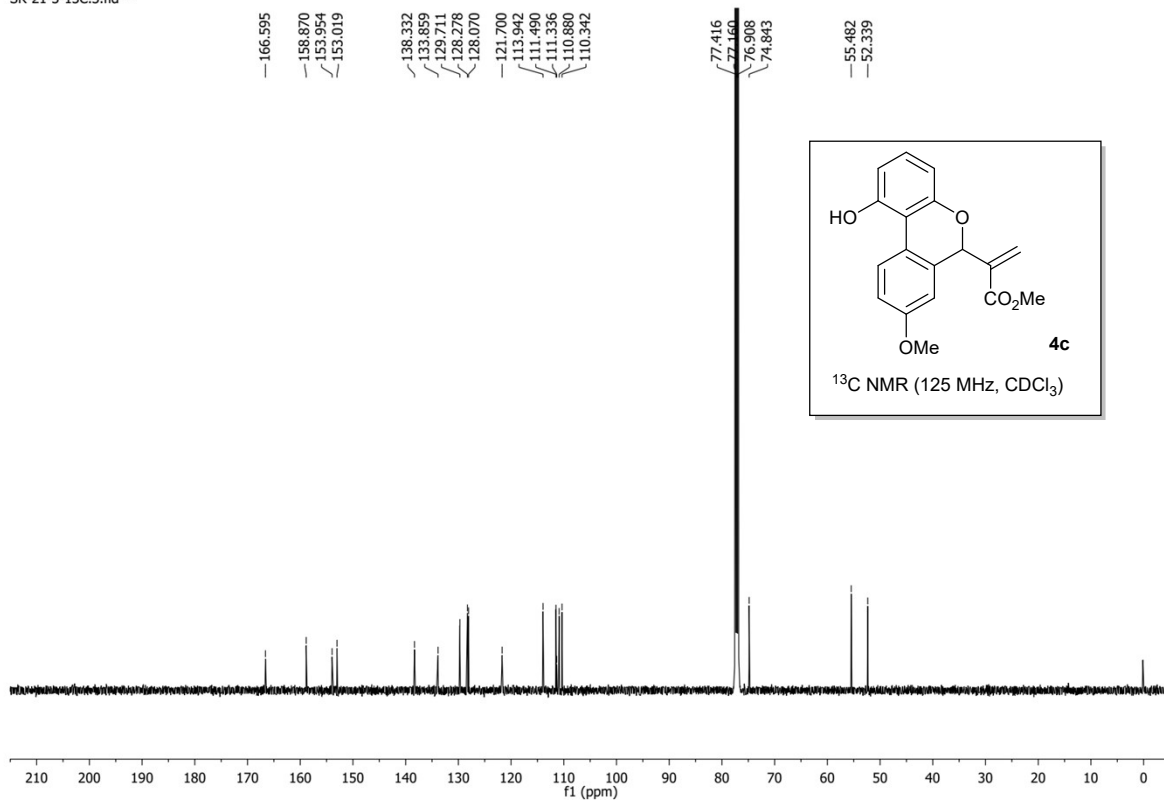
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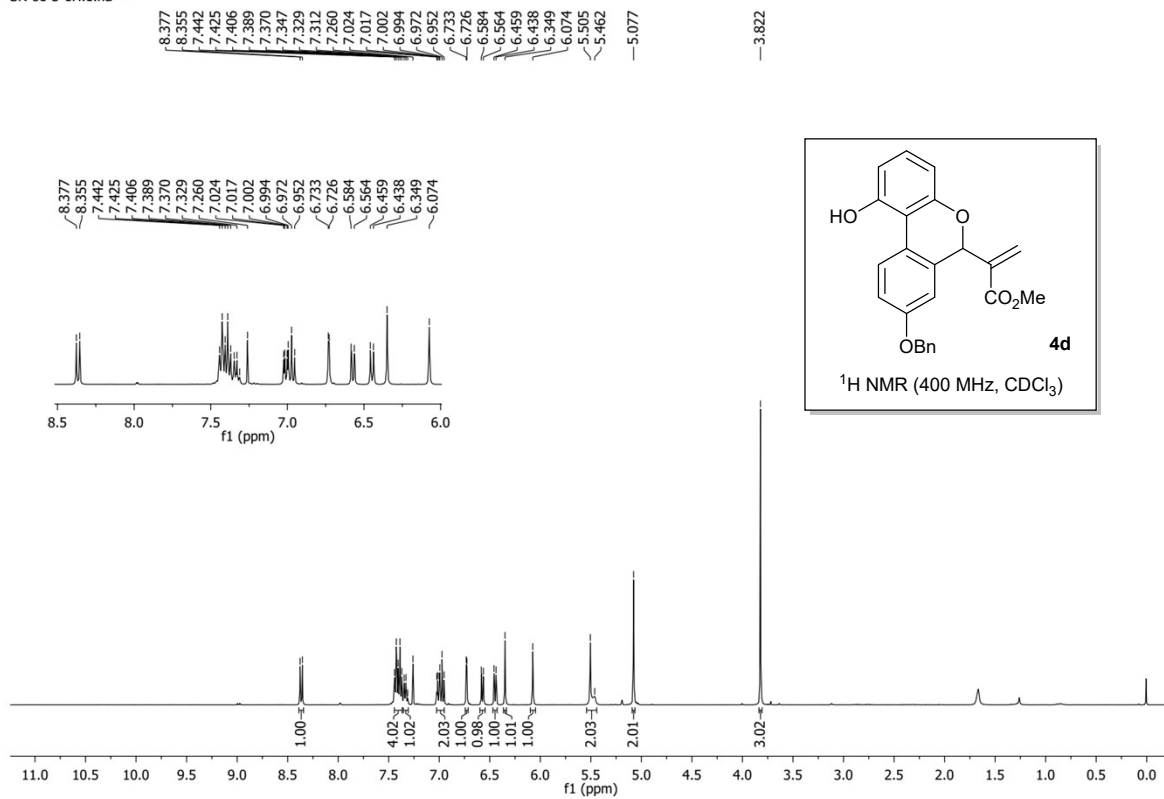
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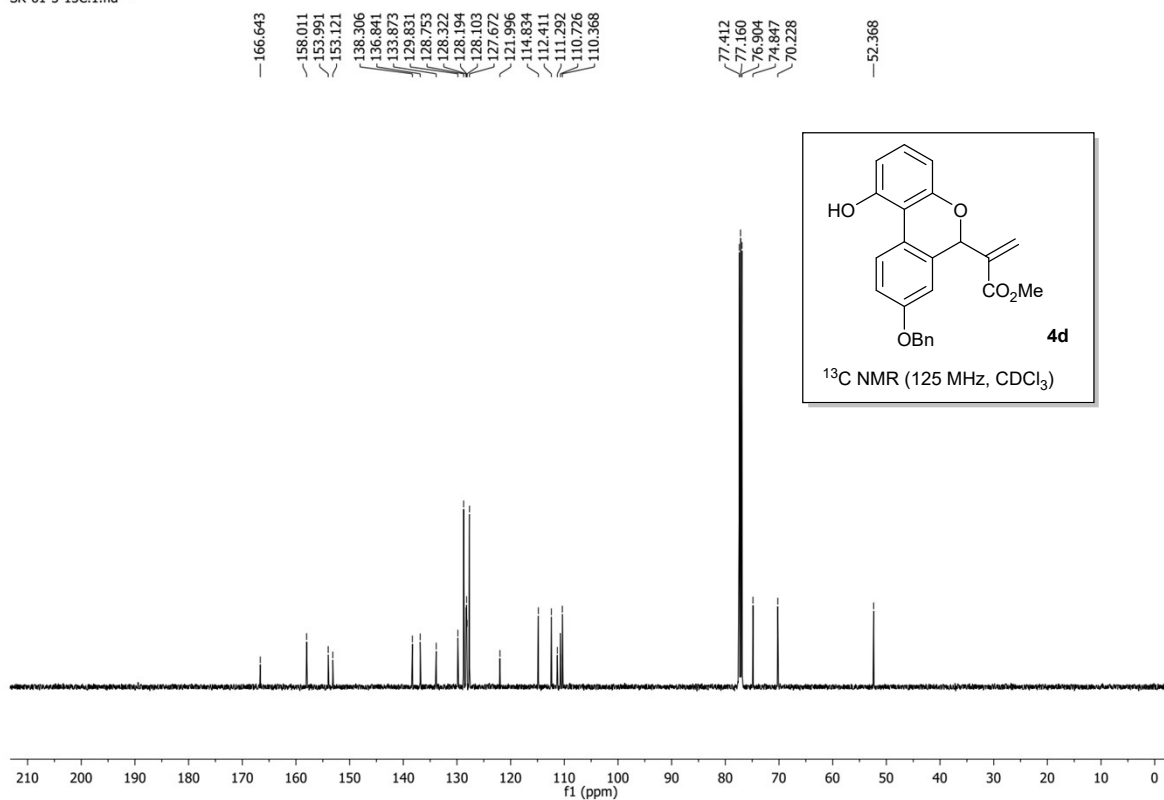
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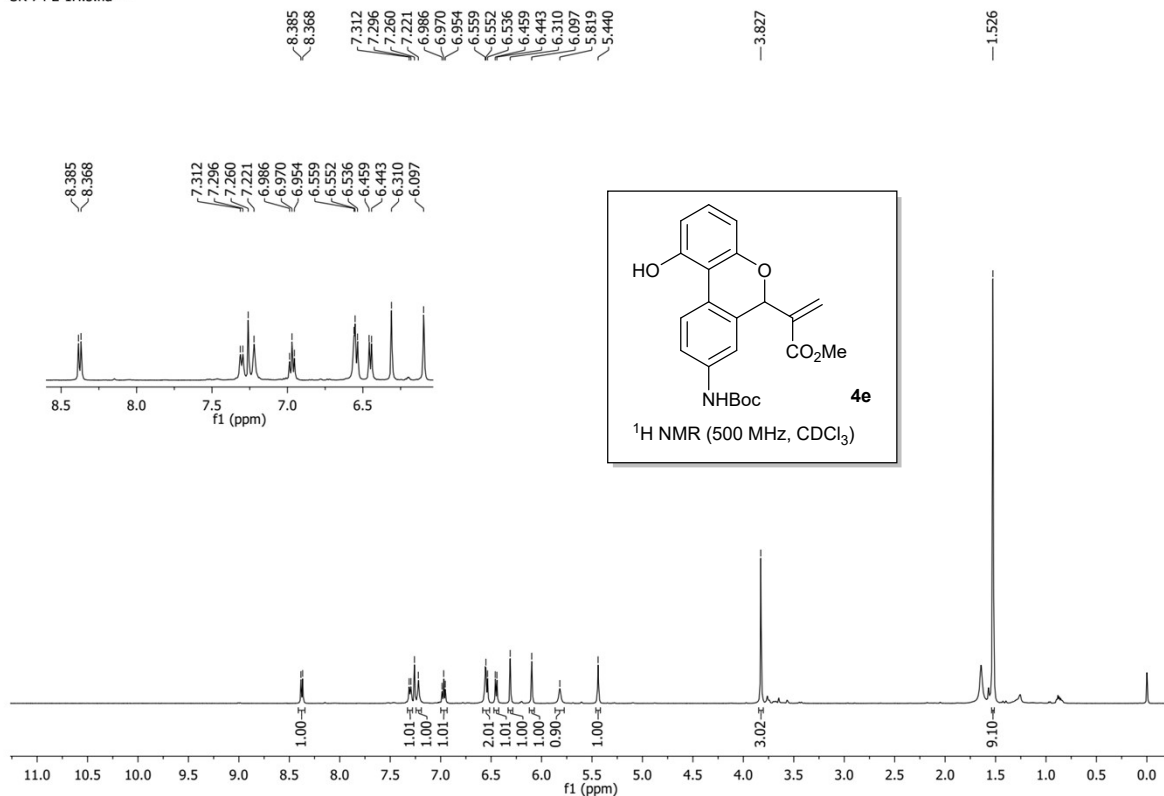
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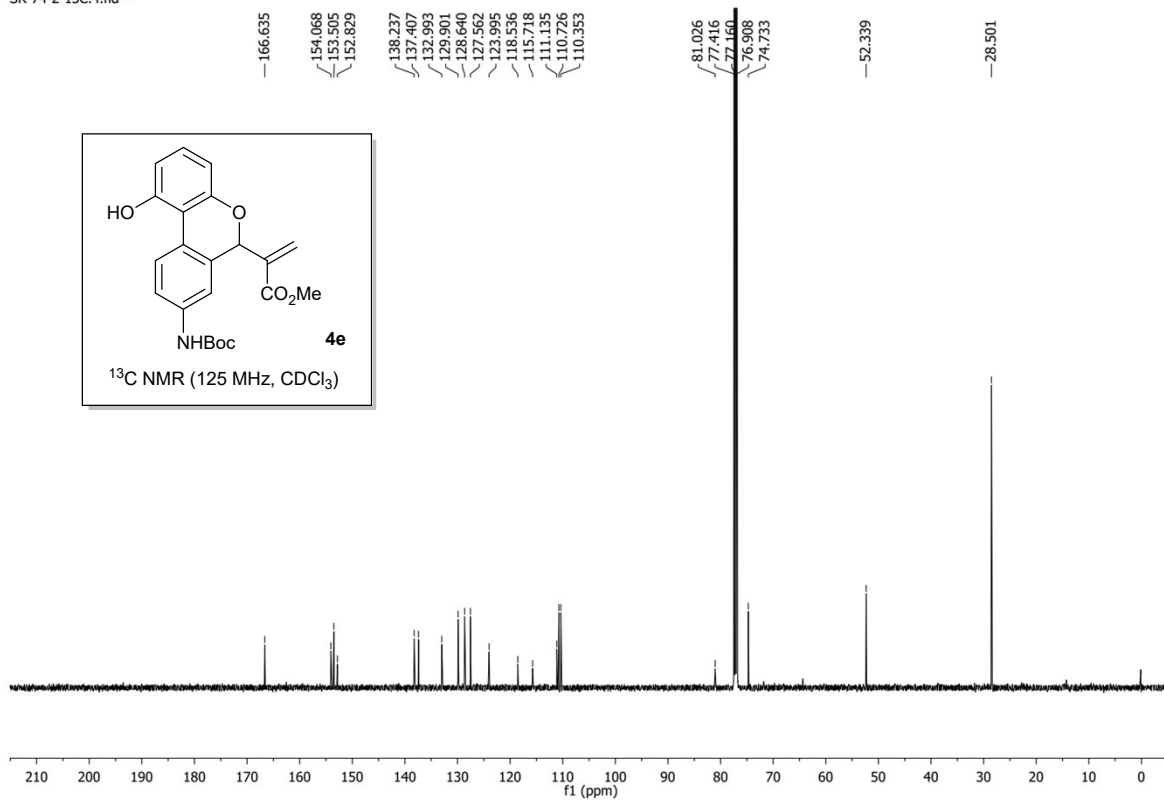
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4f

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃)

Chemical structure of **4f** is shown in the inset. The structure is a benzofuran derivative with a 4-fluorophenyl group at position 2, a 4-hydroxyphenyl group at position 3, and a 2-methoxycarbonylvinyl group at position 4.

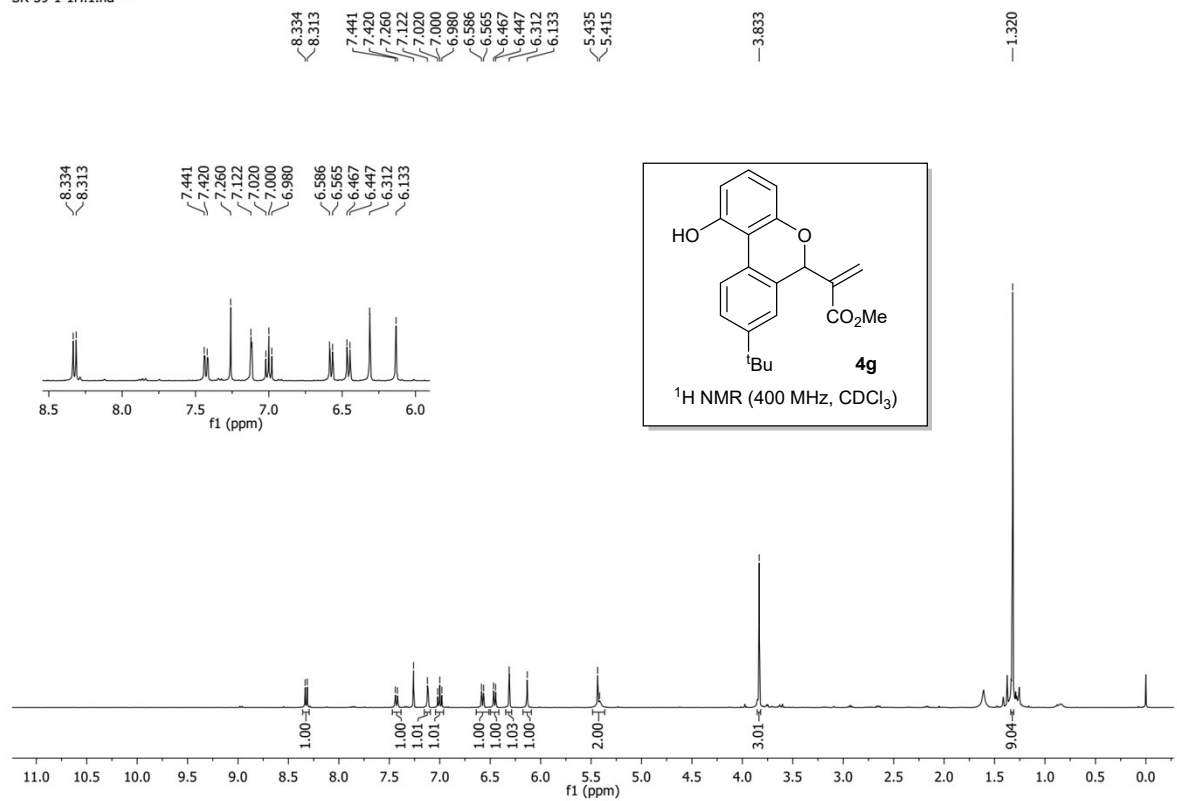
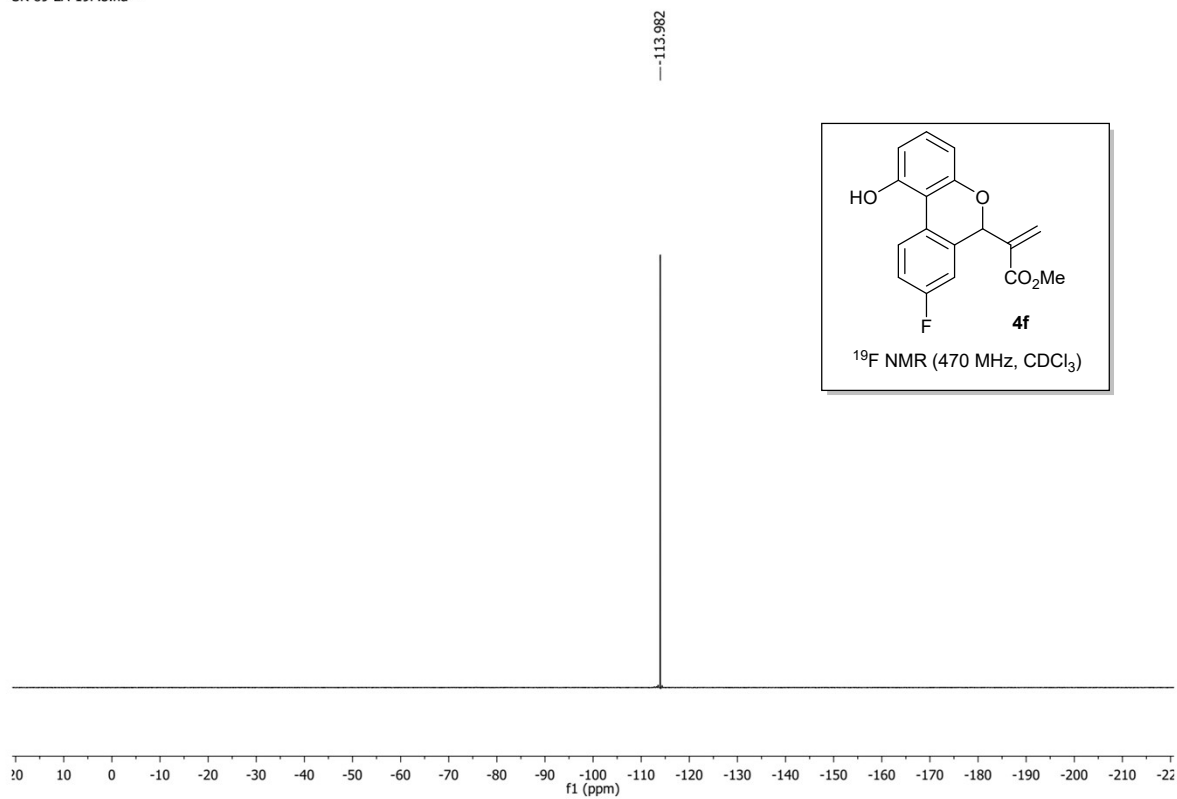
Chemical structure of **4f** is shown in the inset:

COC(=O)C(=C)Oc1ccc(O)cc1-c2ccc(F)cc2

4f
¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃)

Chemical shift values (ppm) are listed above the corresponding peaks:

- 166.398
- 162.795
- 160.825
- 154.367
- 153.359
- 138.028
- 134.538
- 134.482
- 129.857
- 129.141
- 128.783
- 128.721
- 125.176
- 115.506
- 115.341
- 112.864
- 112.684
- 110.821
- 110.752
- 110.447
- 77.412
- 77.160
- 76.904
- 74.572
- 74.556
- 52.428



Chemical structure of **4g** is shown in the inset. The structure is a chromene derivative with a hydroxyl group (HO), a methyl ester group (CO₂Me), and a vinyl group (CH=CH₂). The aromatic ring is substituted with a tert-butyl group (tBu).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of **4g** is displayed. The x-axis is labeled f1 (ppm) and ranges from 210 to 0. The spectrum shows several peaks in the aromatic region (110-160 ppm), a solvent triplet at 77 ppm, and aliphatic peaks at 52.329, 34.756, and 31.360 ppm.

Peak list (ppm):

- 166.774
- 154.410
- 153.494
- 150.575
- 138.559
- 131.660
- 129.620
- 128.862
- 126.129
- 126.037
- 125.685
- 122.912
- 111.343
- 110.841
- 110.248
- 77.372
- 77.160
- 76.948
- 75.083
- 52.329
- 34.756
- 31.360

¹H NMR spectrum of compound **4h** in CDCl₃. The spectrum shows peaks from 0.0 to 8.6 ppm. Aromatic protons appear between 6.5 and 8.6 ppm, with a cluster of peaks between 7.0 and 7.6 ppm. A methoxy singlet is at 3.84 ppm. A vinyl group is visible between 1.5 and 2.0 ppm. Integration values are provided below the baseline.

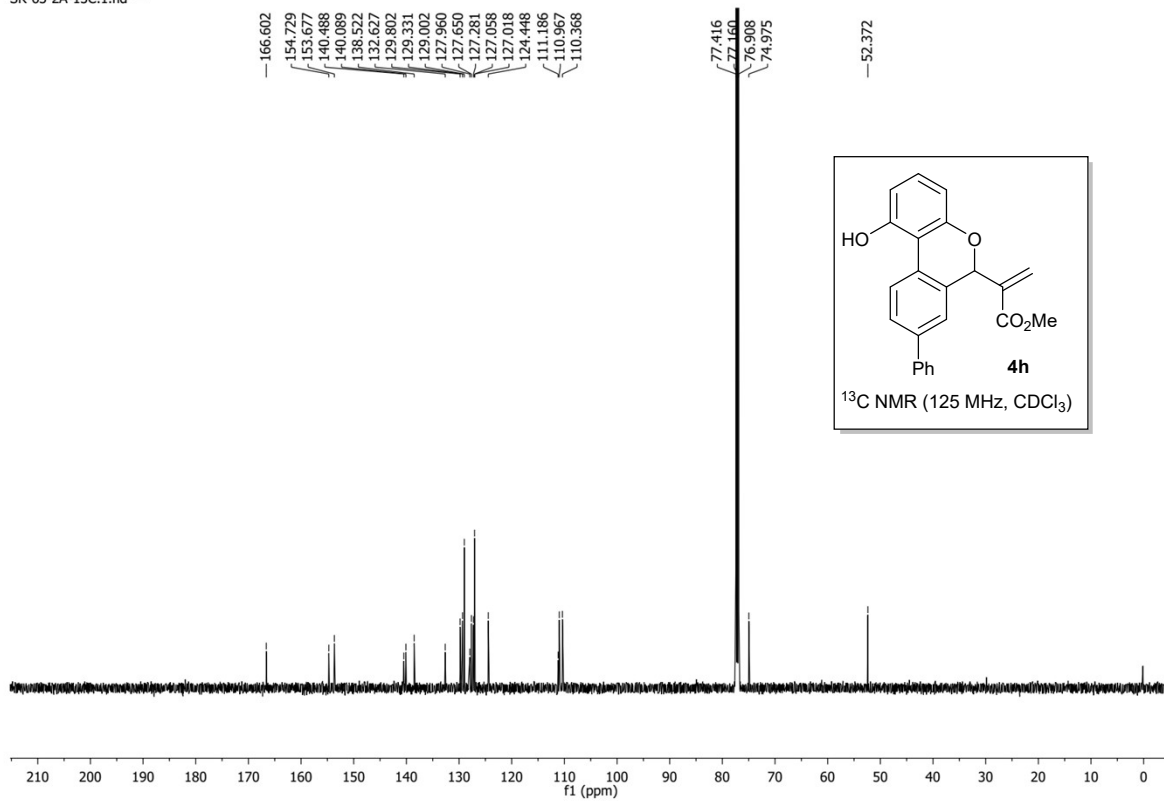
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3.841	3.01

Chemical structure of **4h** is shown in the inset:

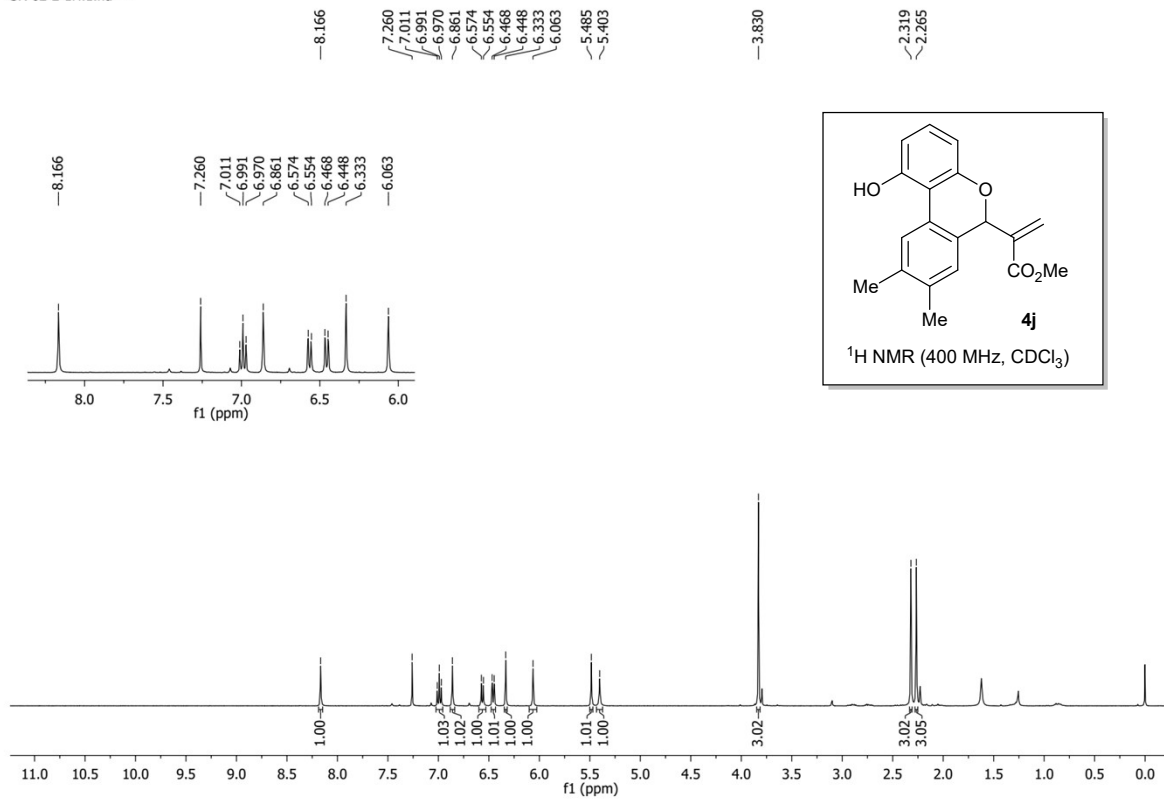
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4h
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃)

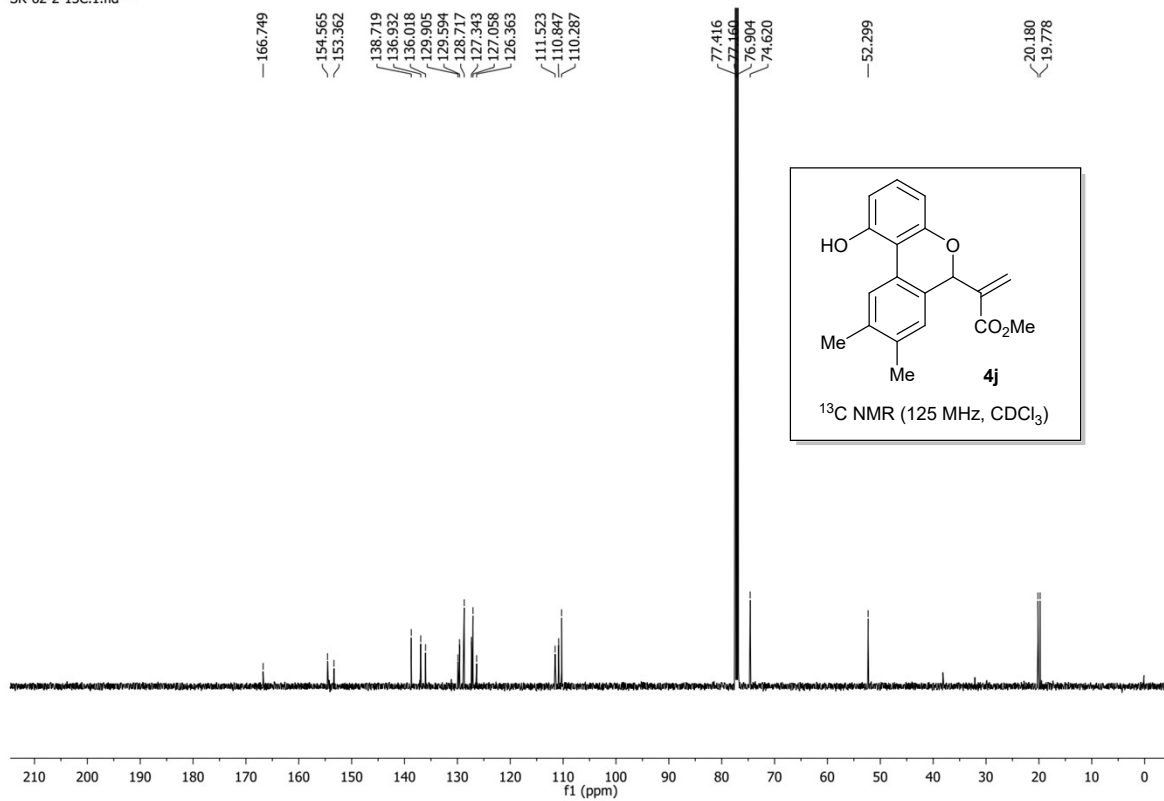
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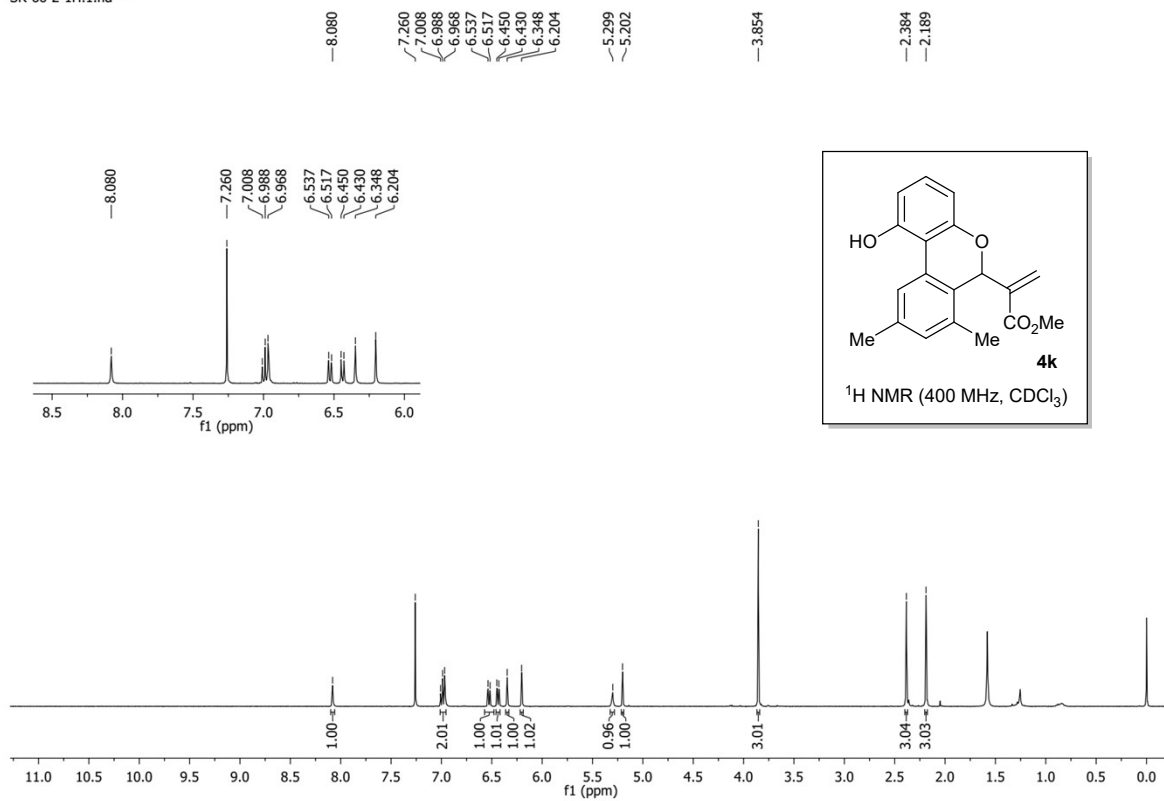
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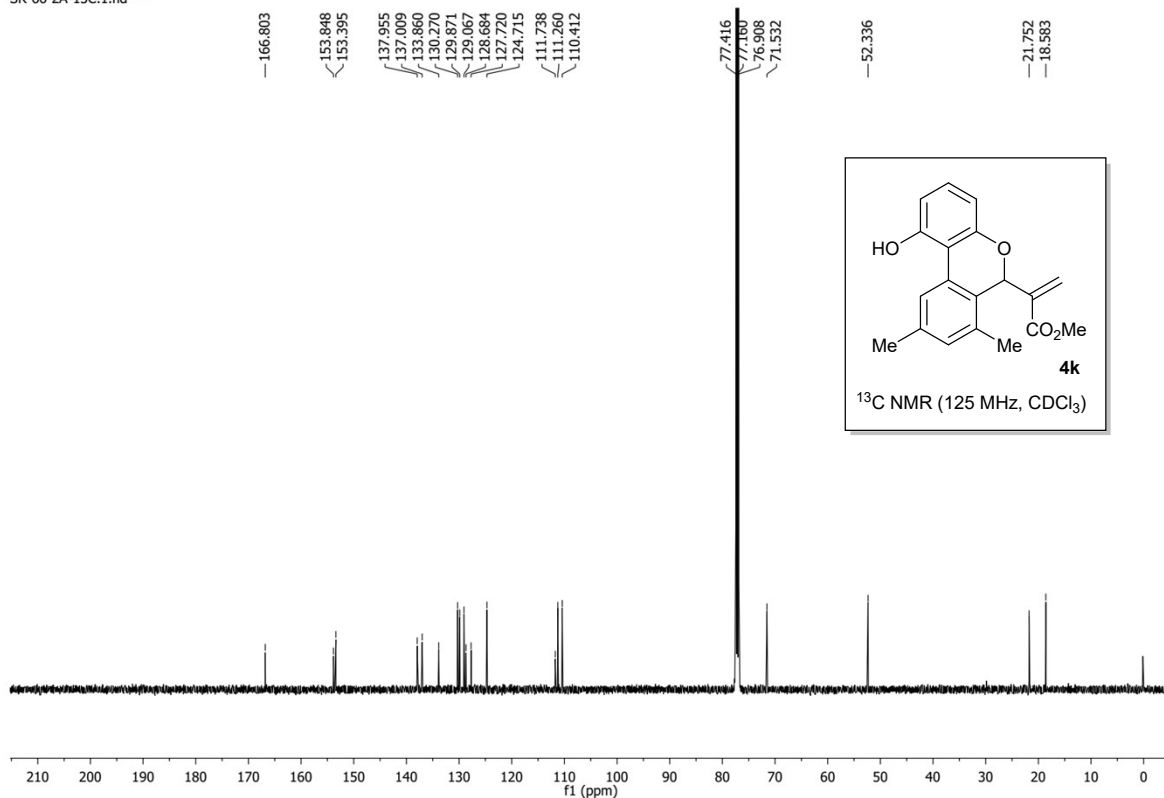
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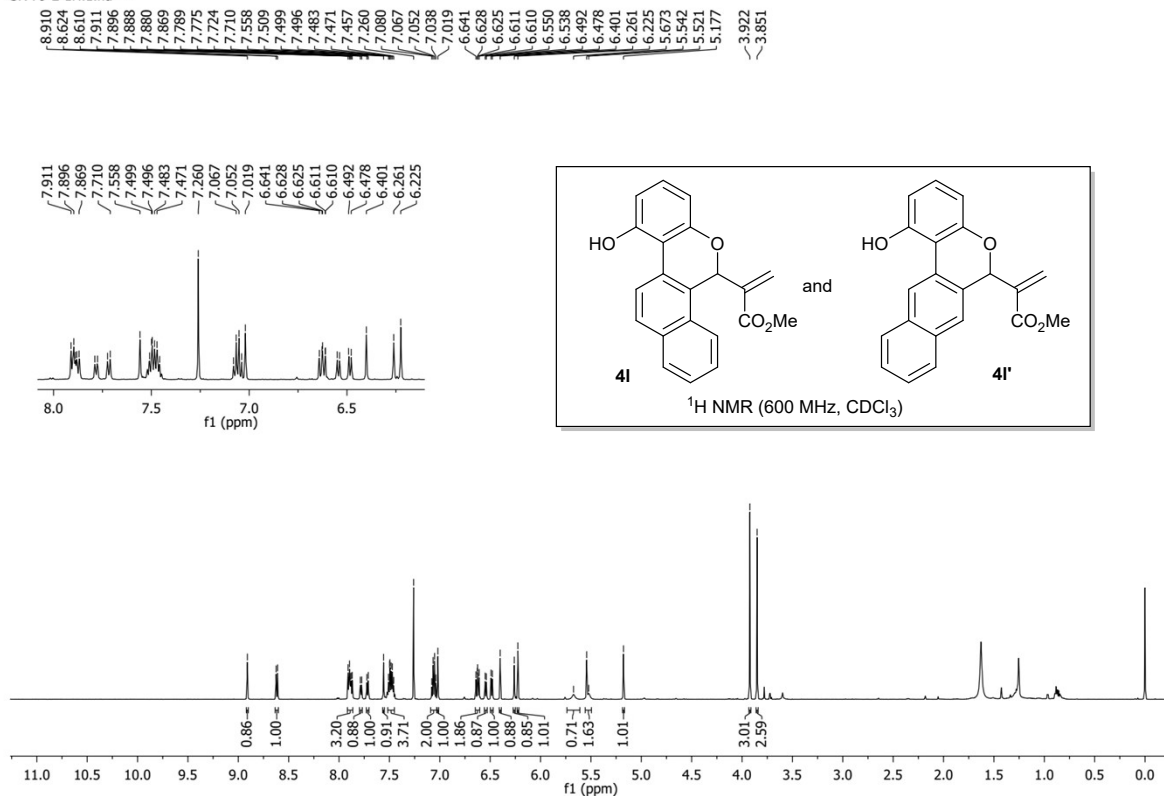
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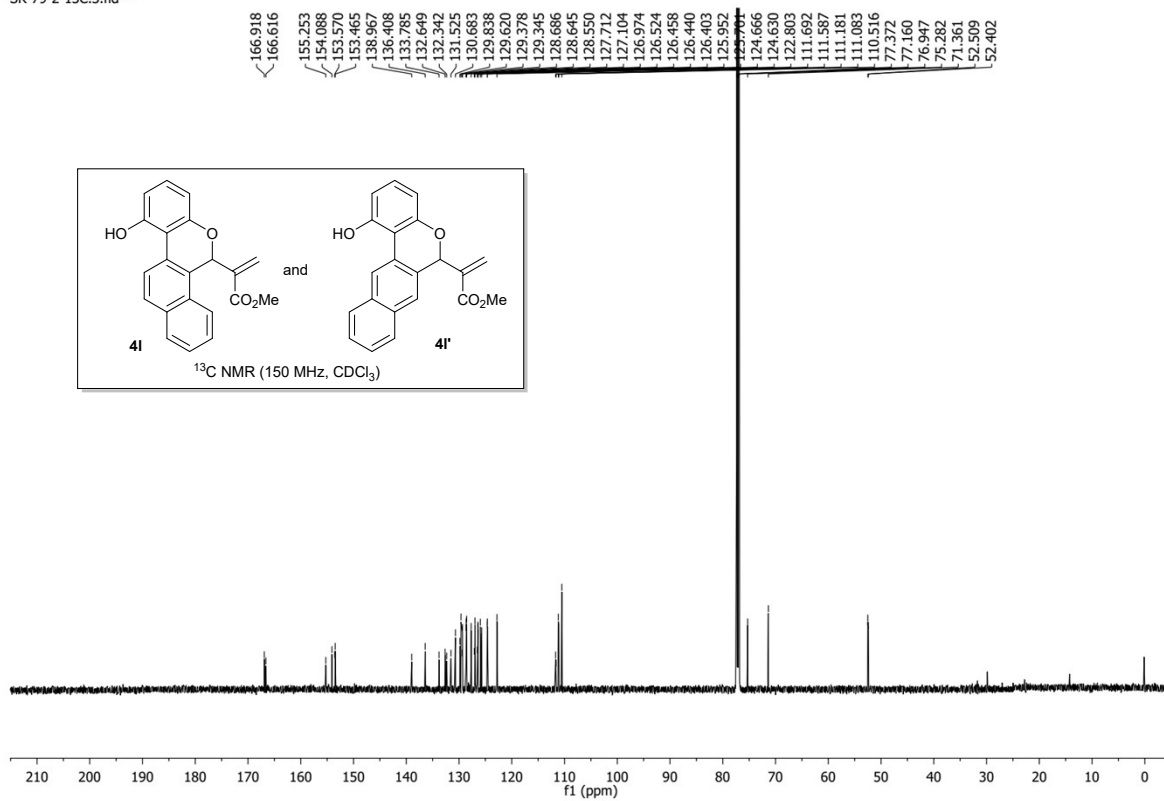
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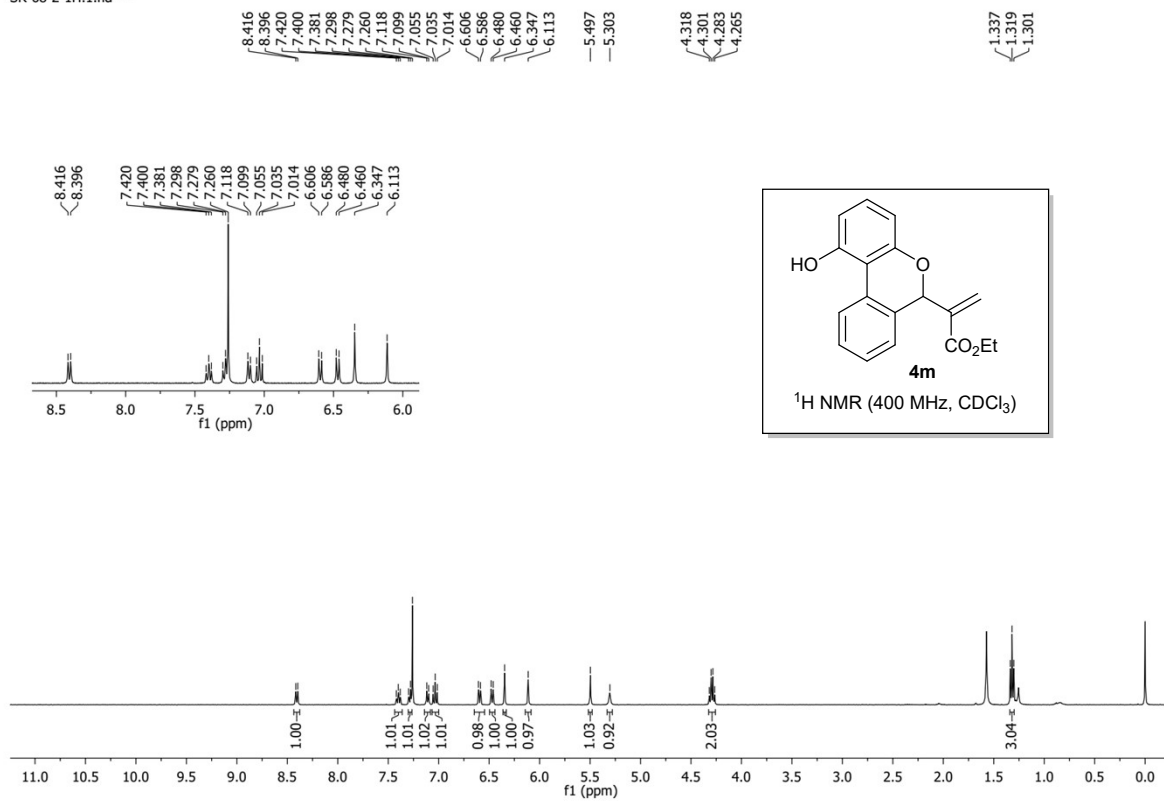
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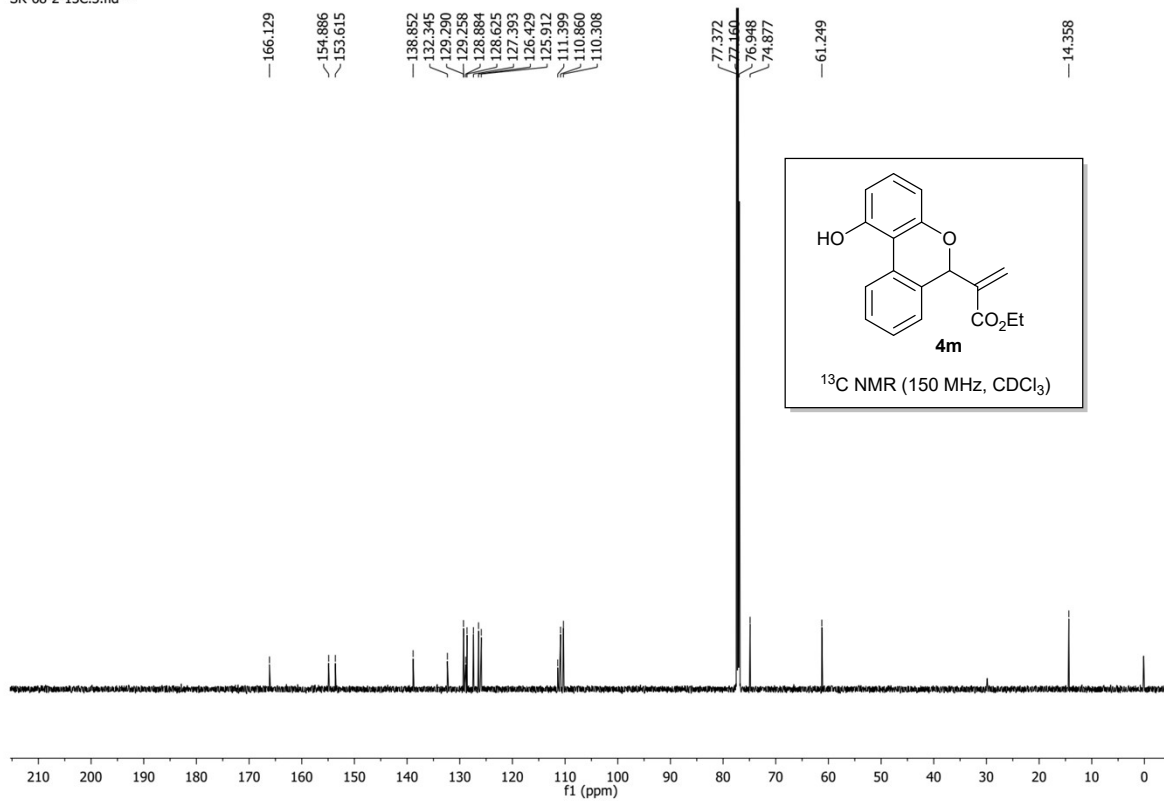
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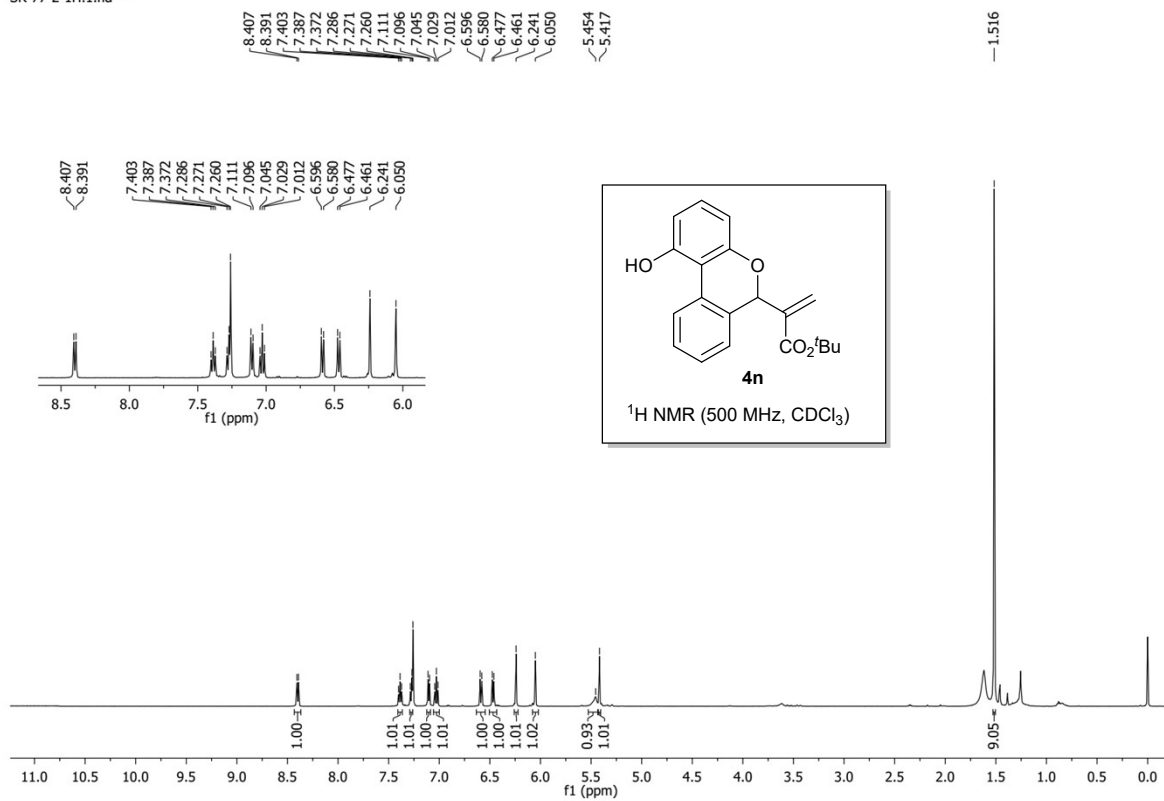
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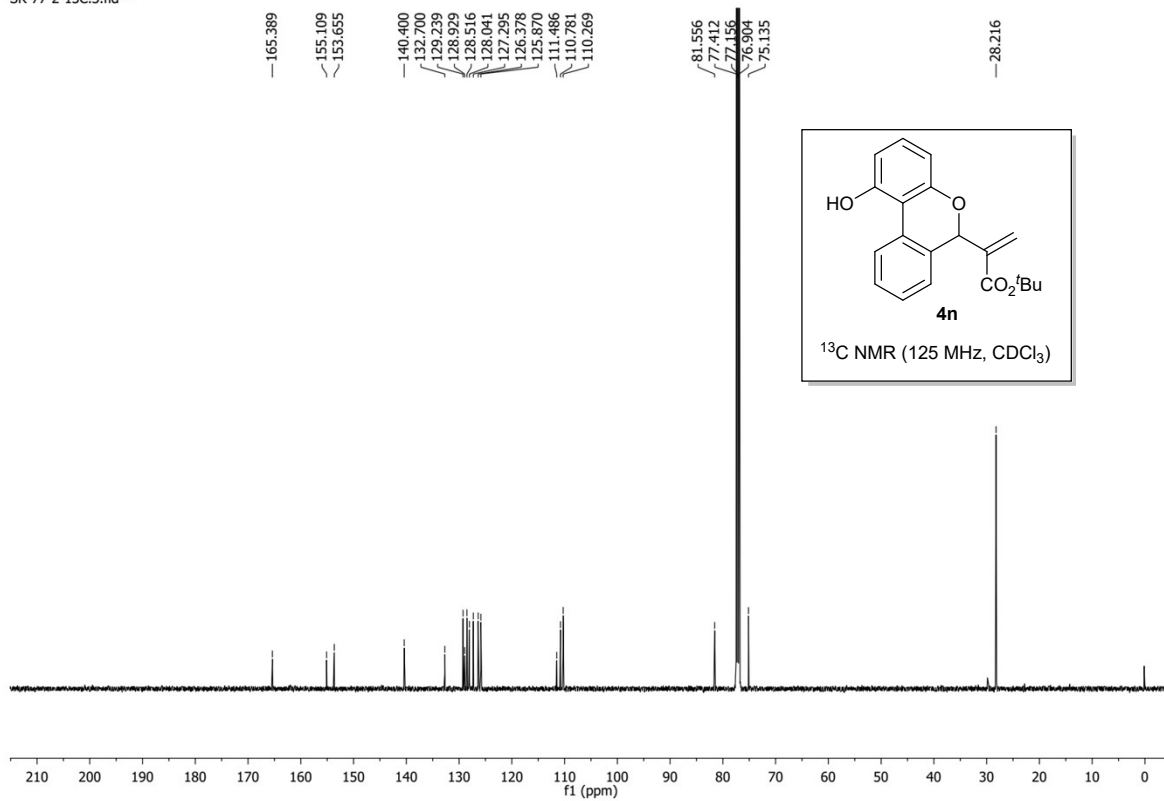
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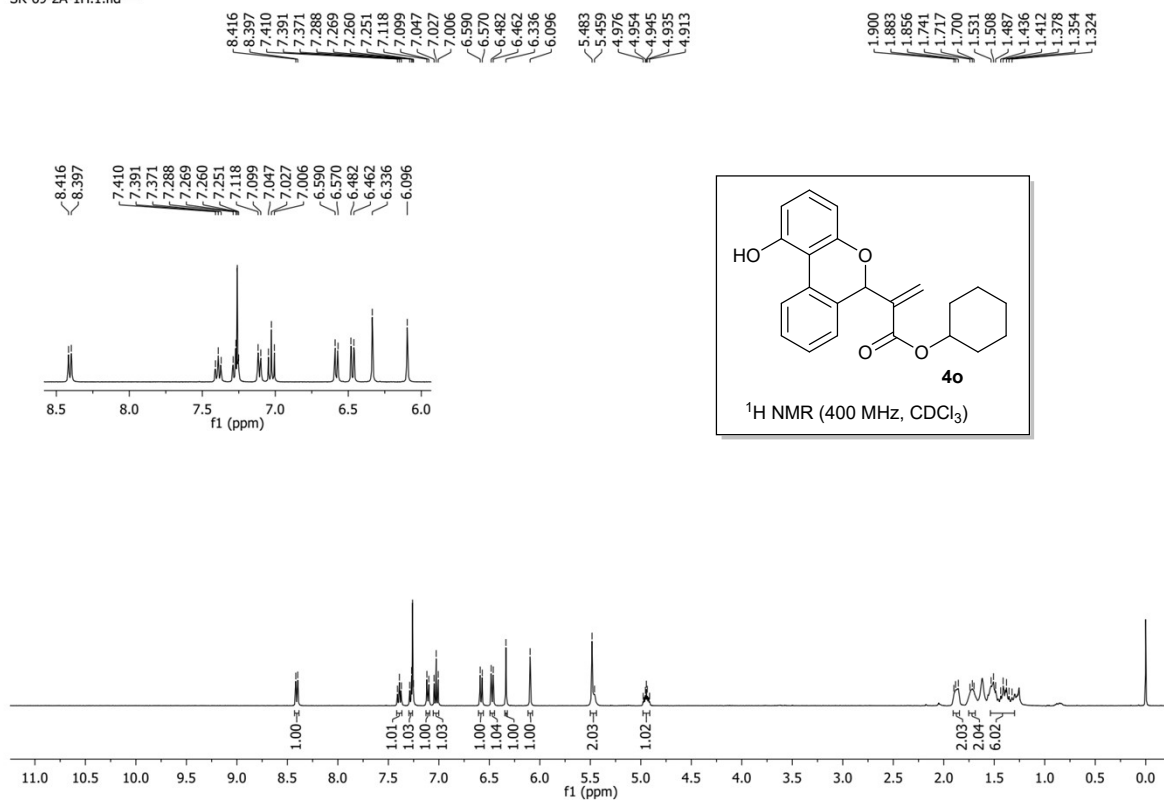
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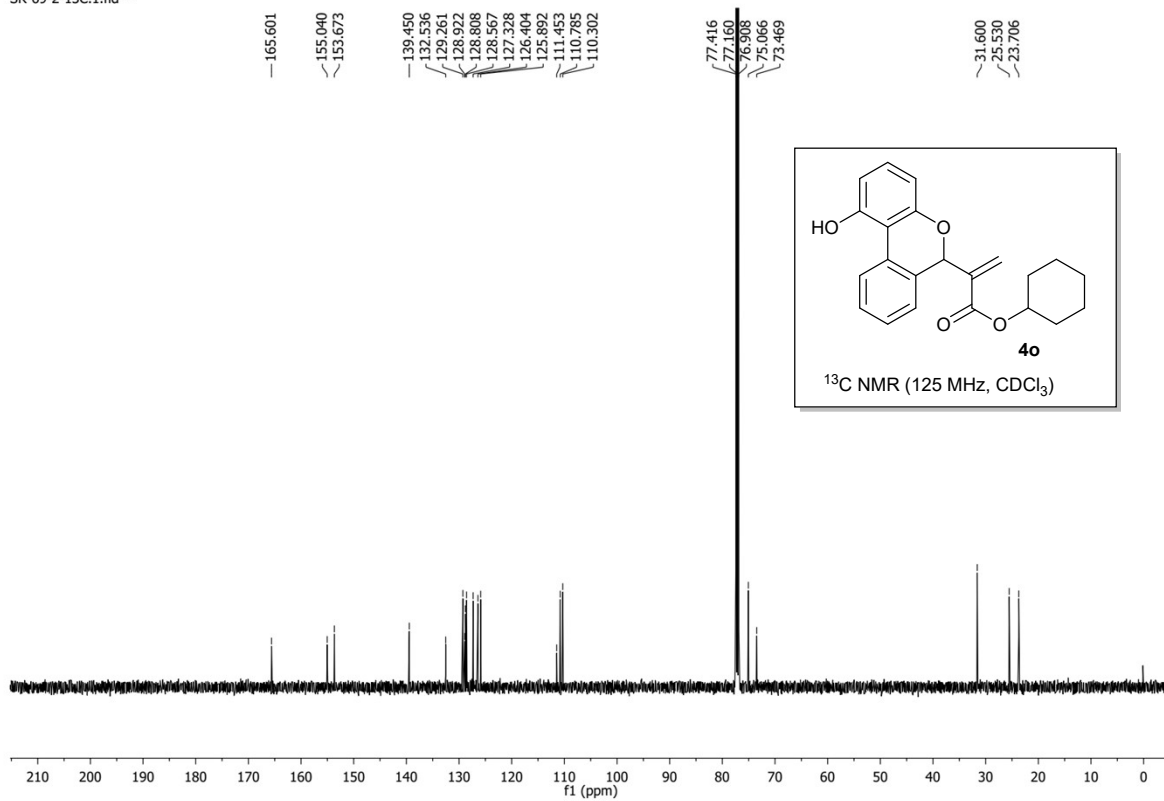
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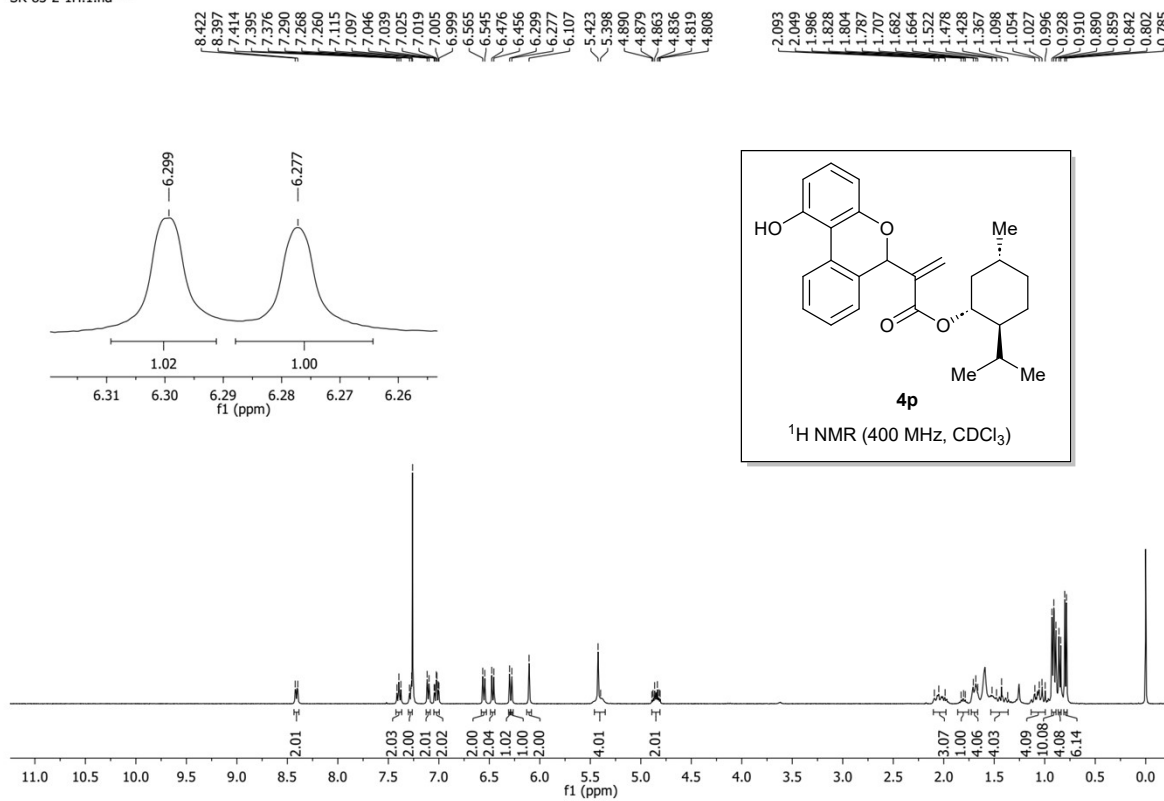
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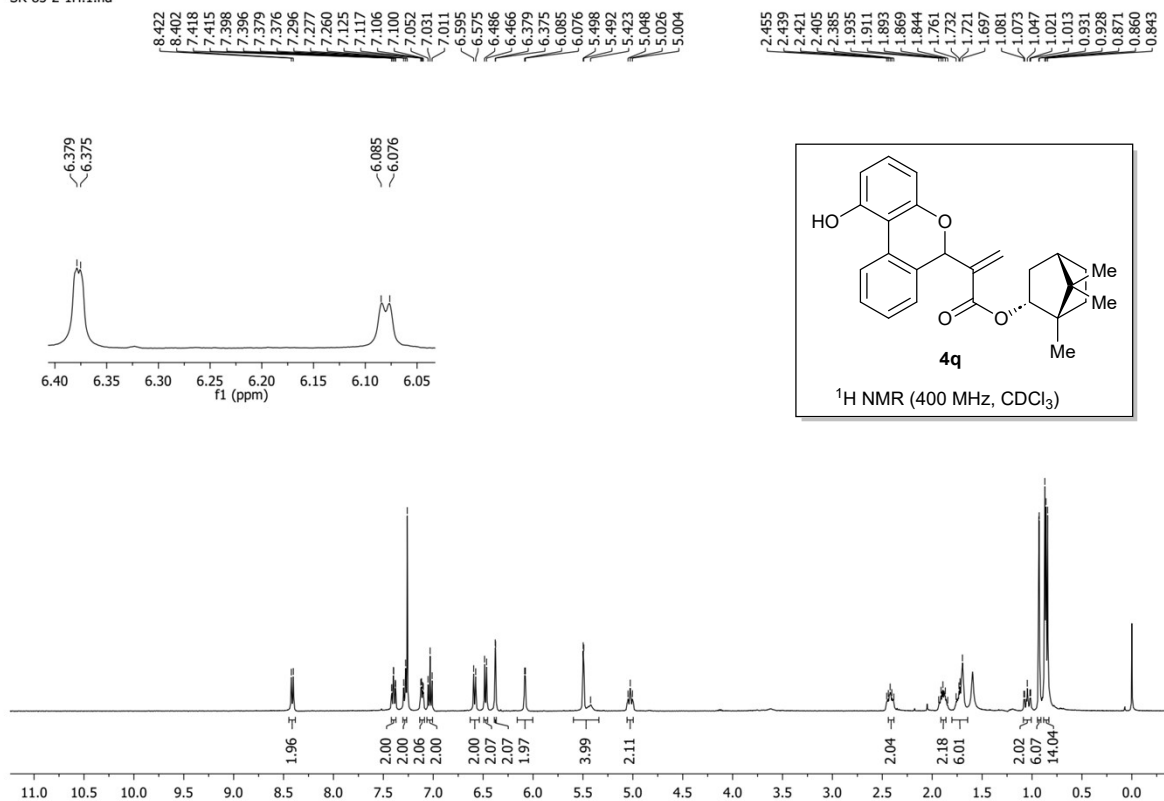
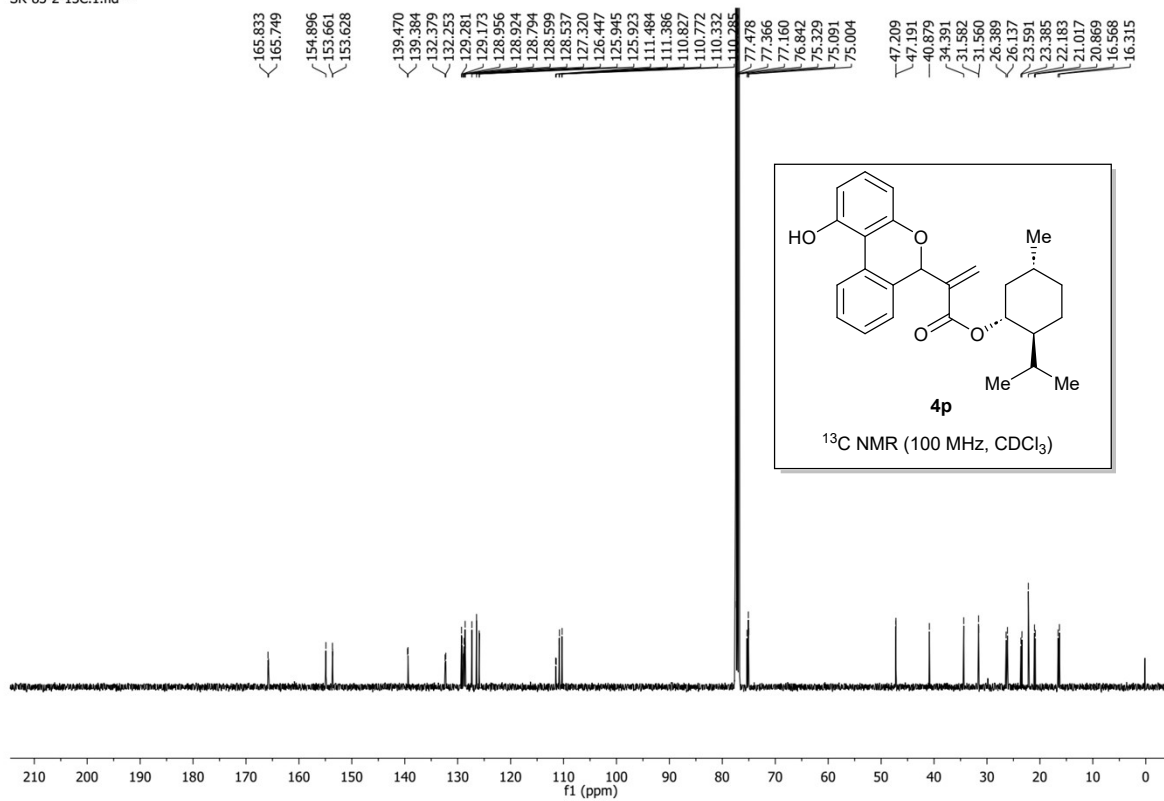


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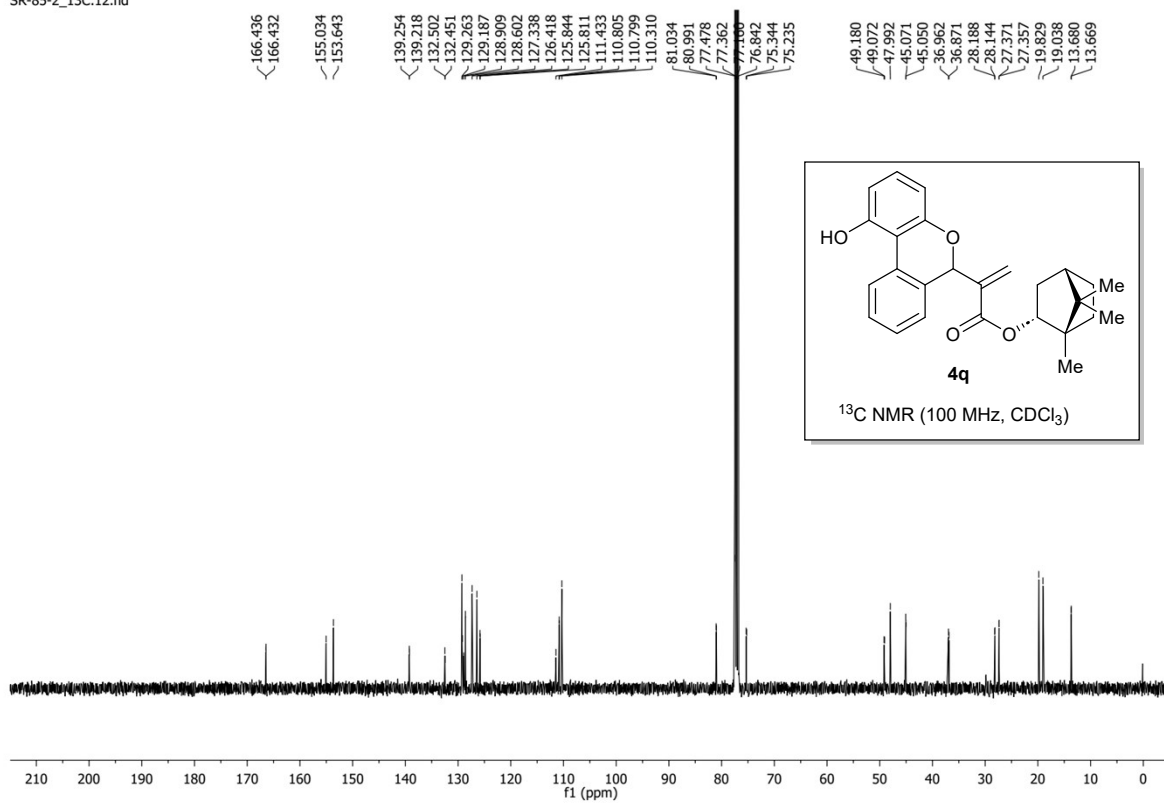


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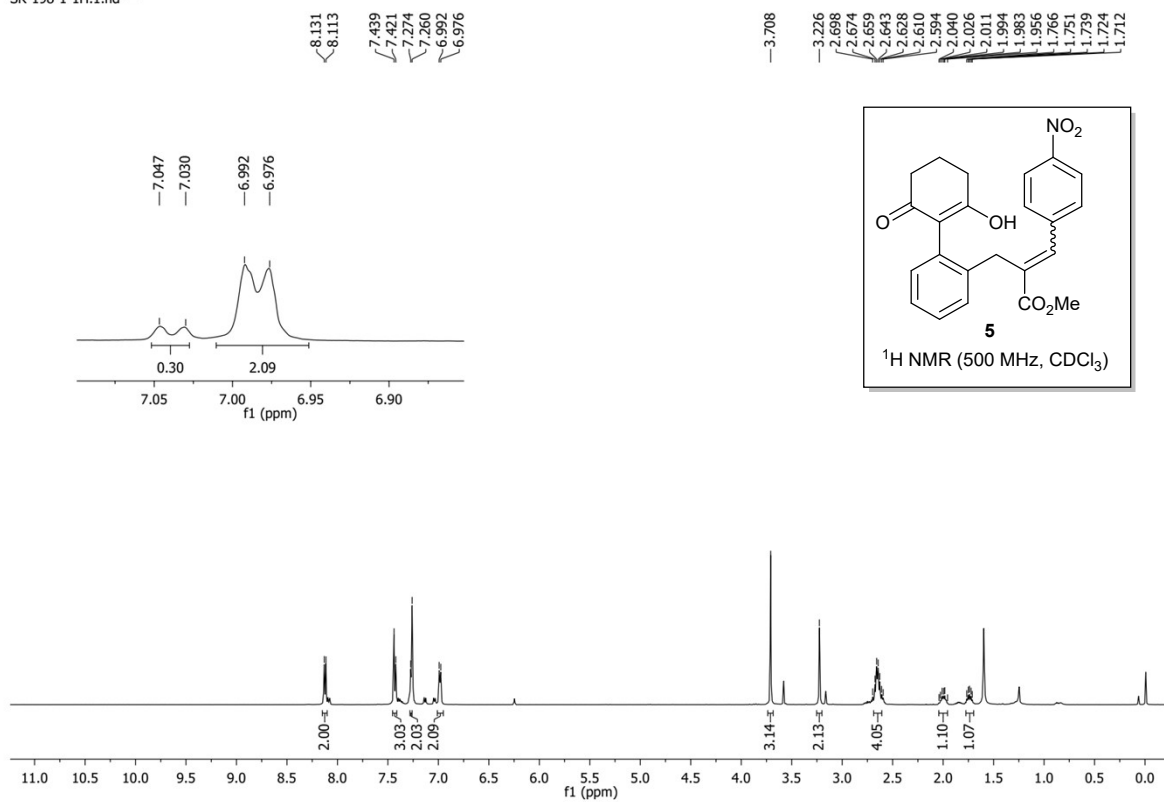




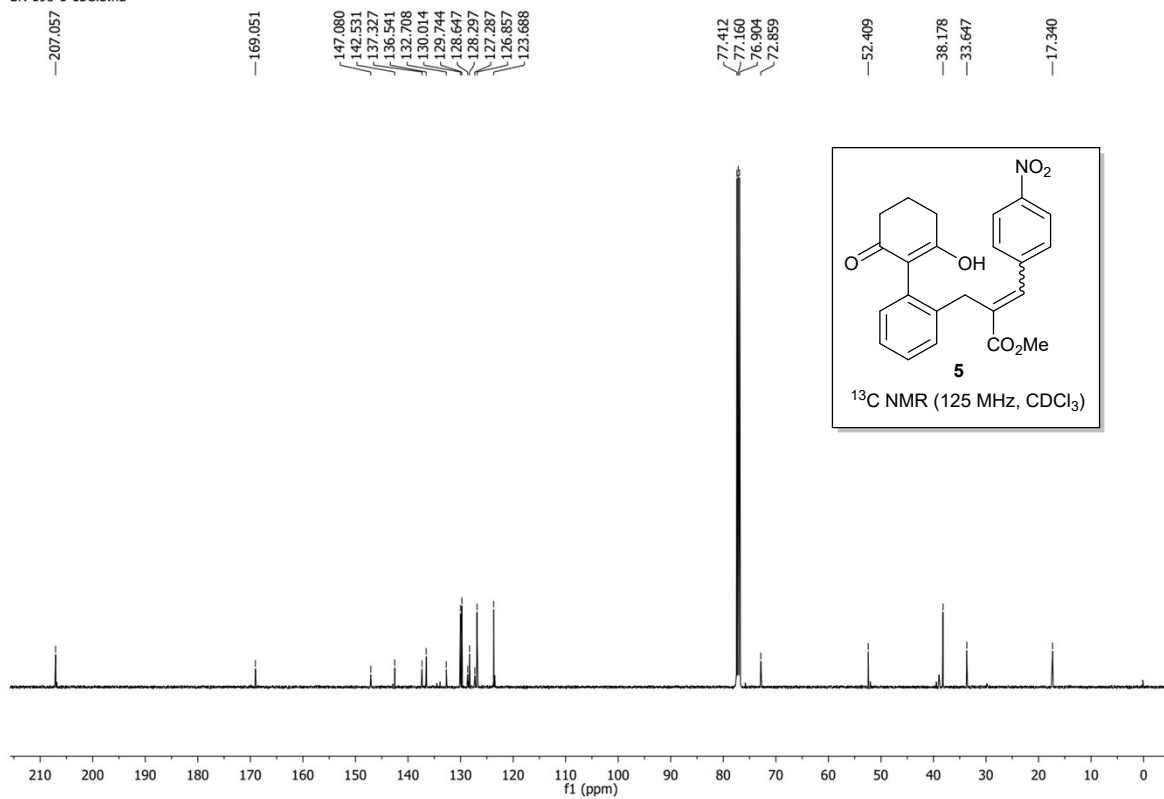
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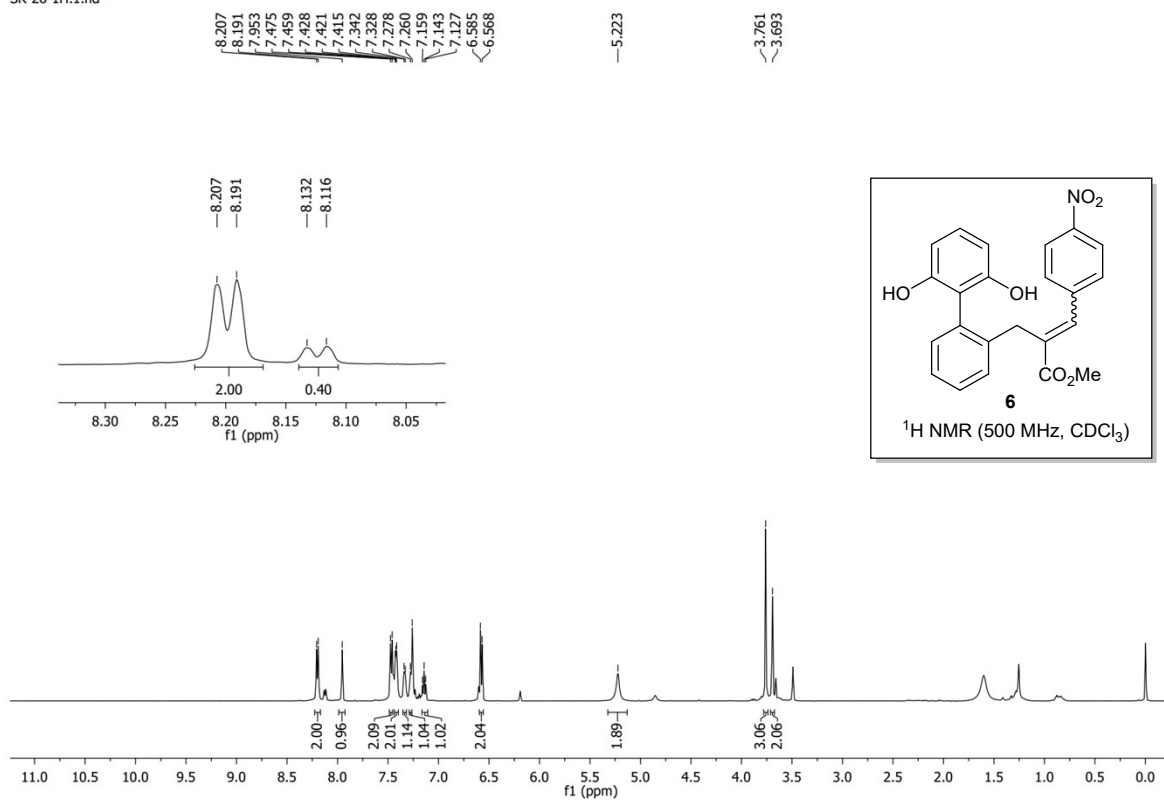
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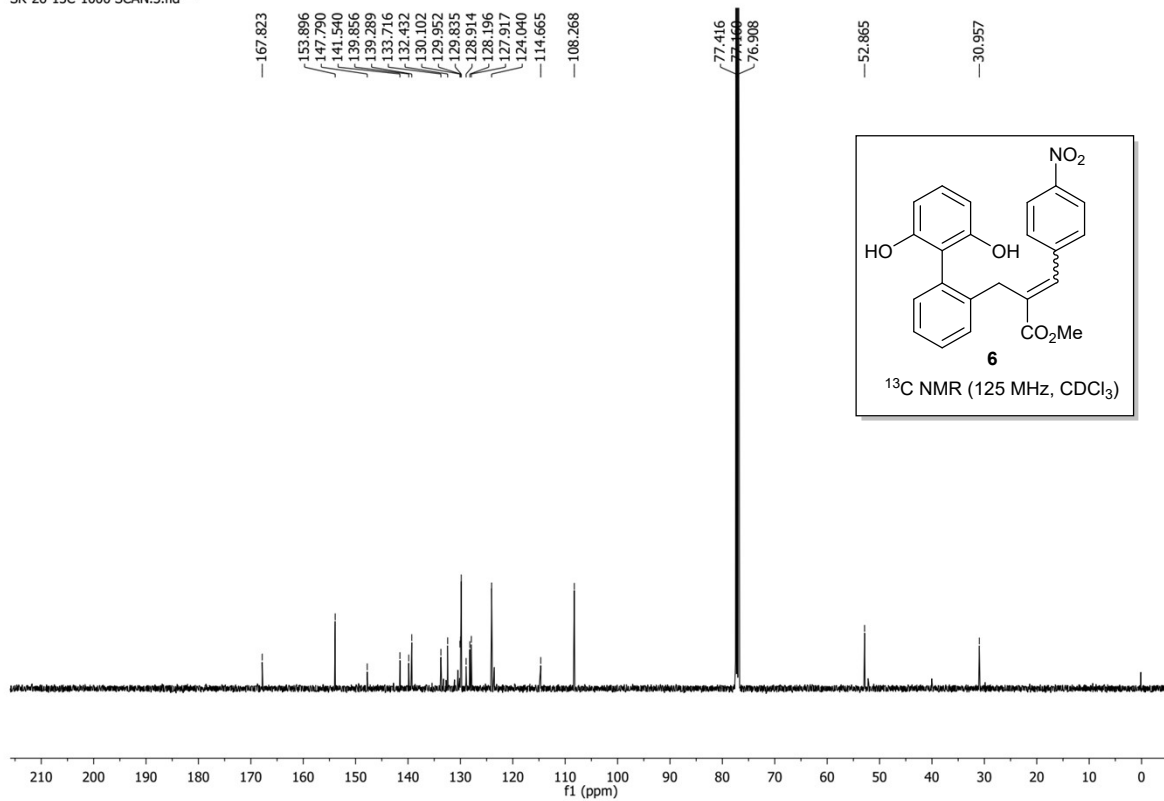
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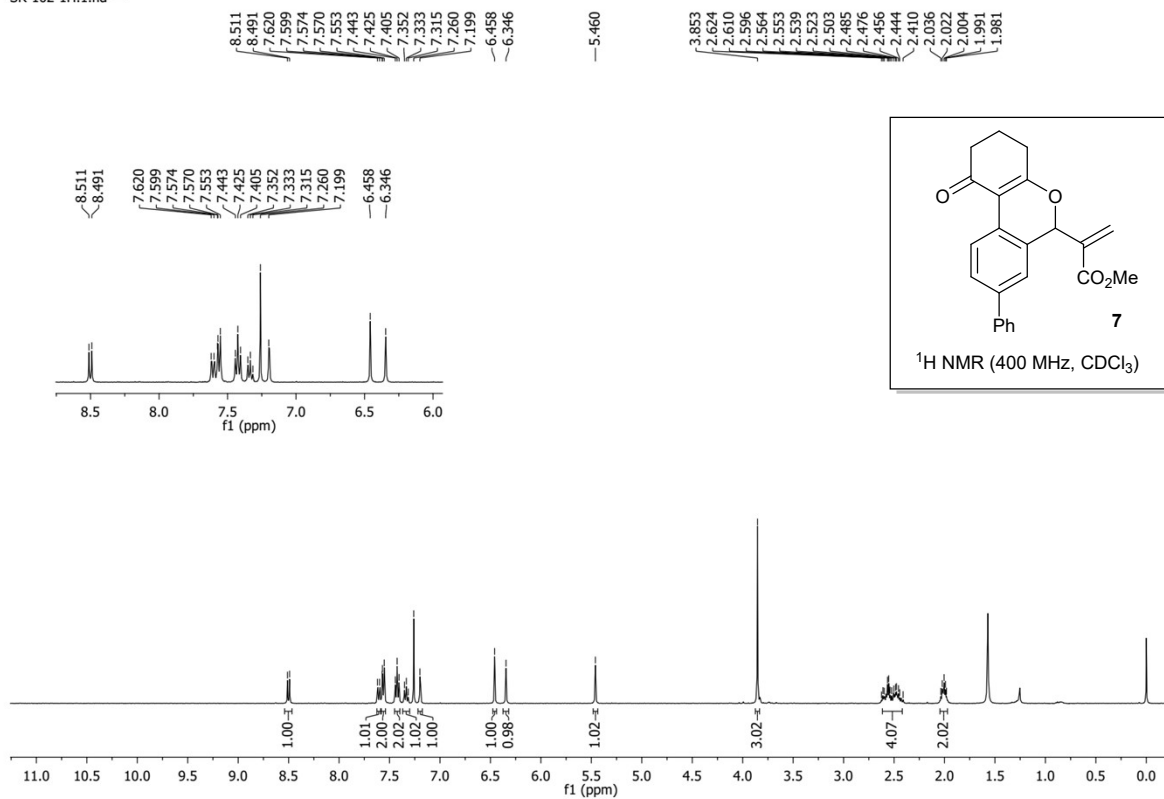
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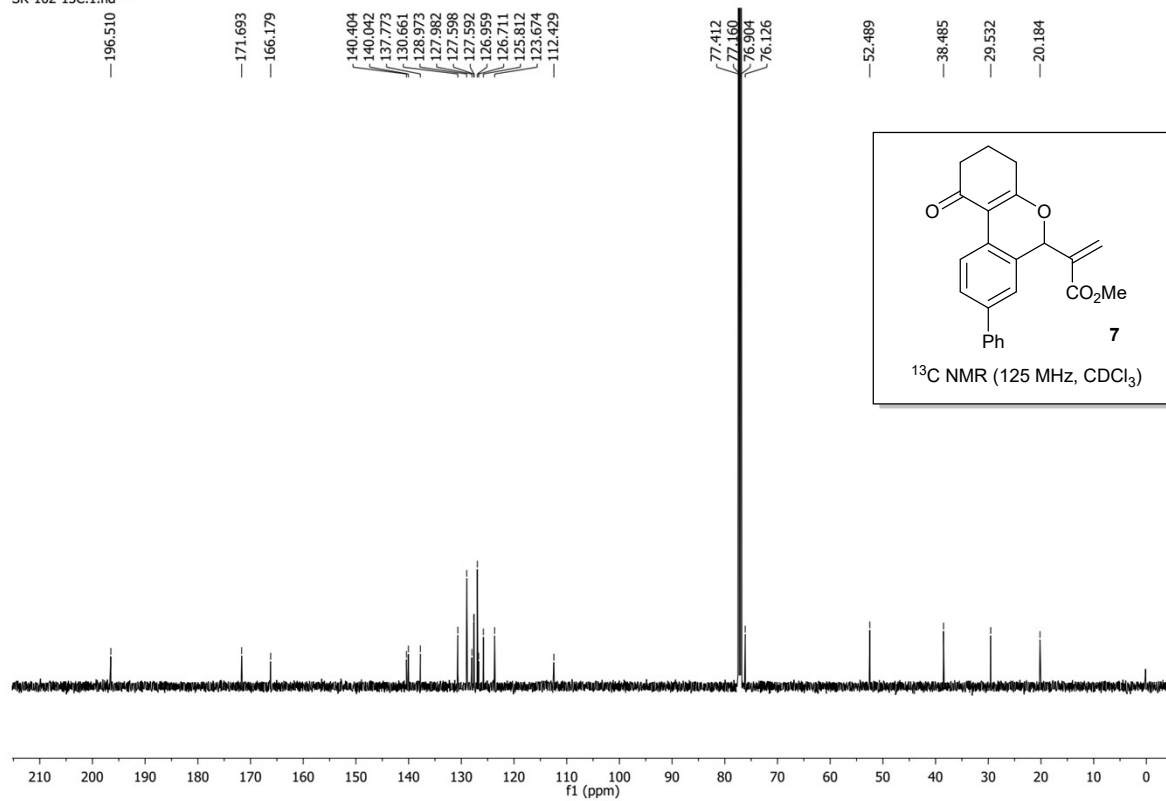
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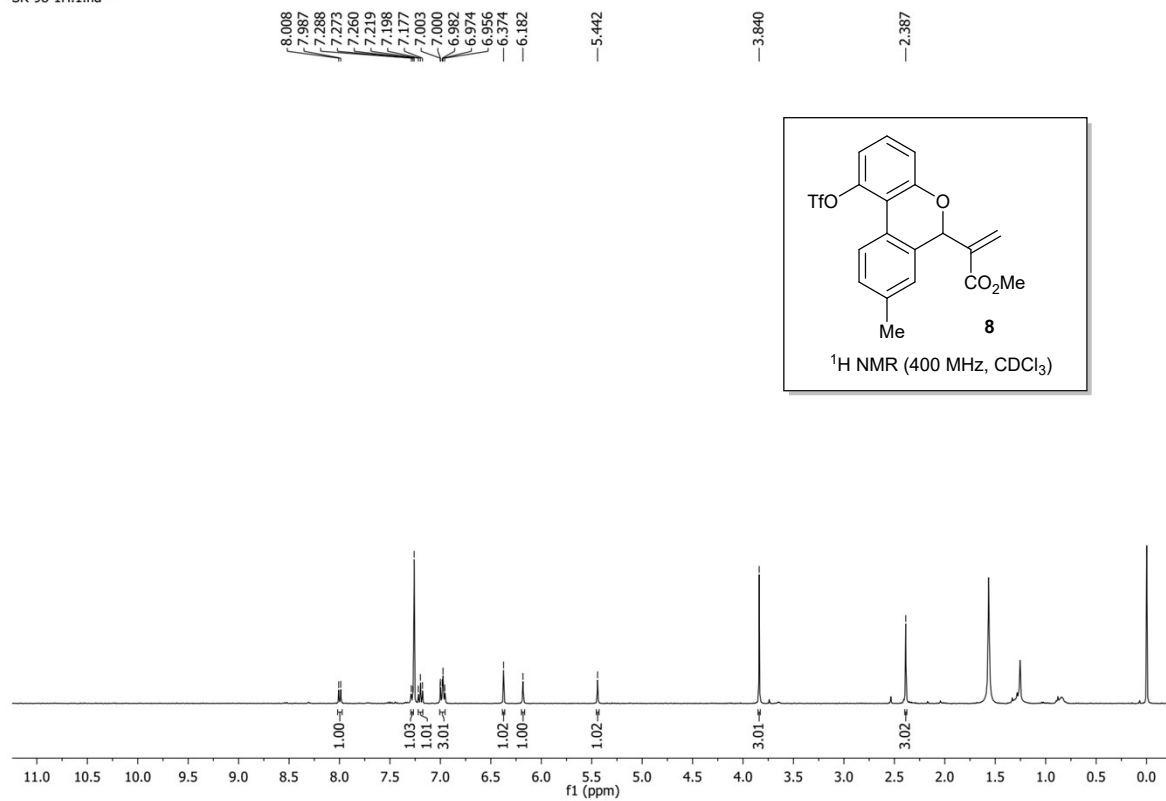
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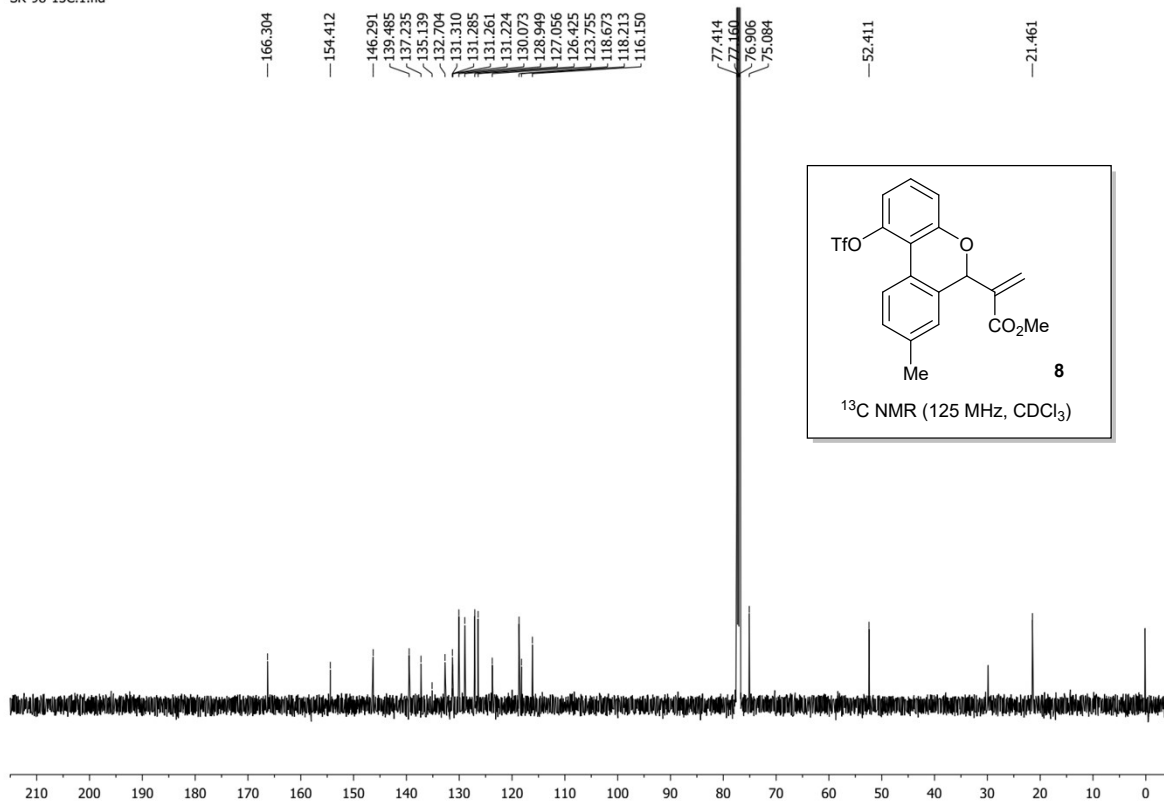
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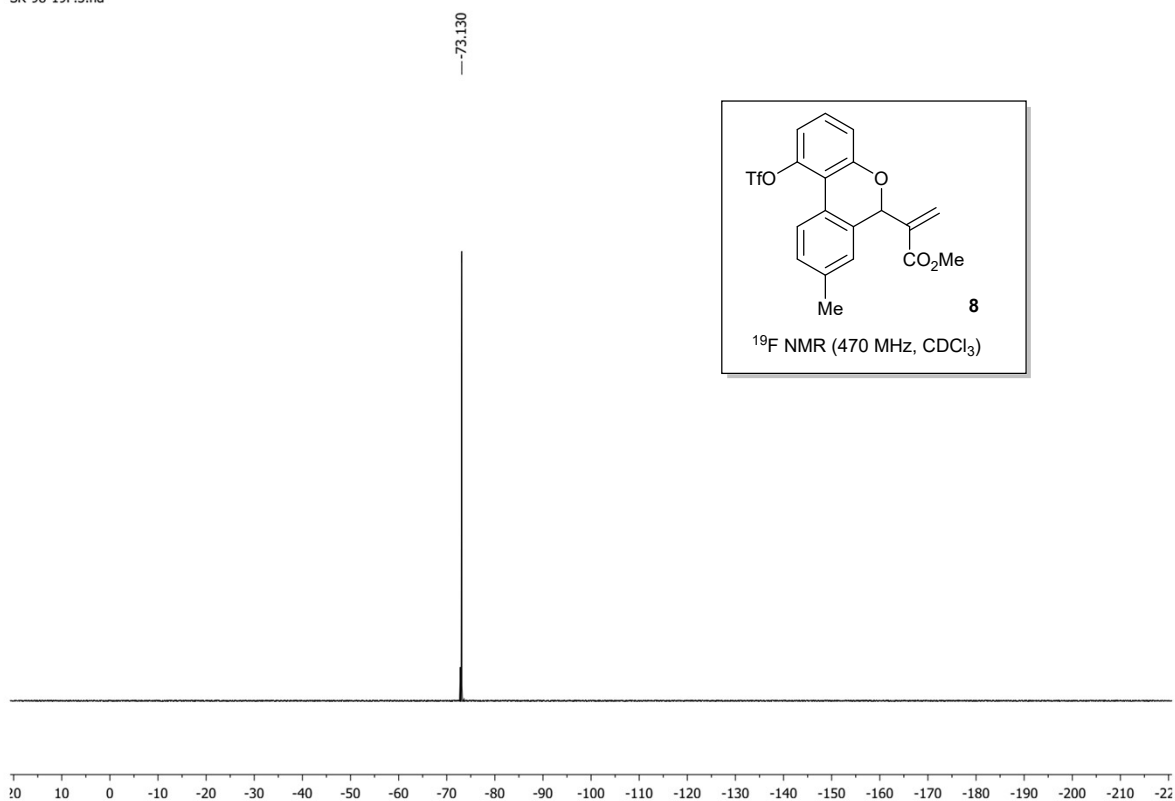
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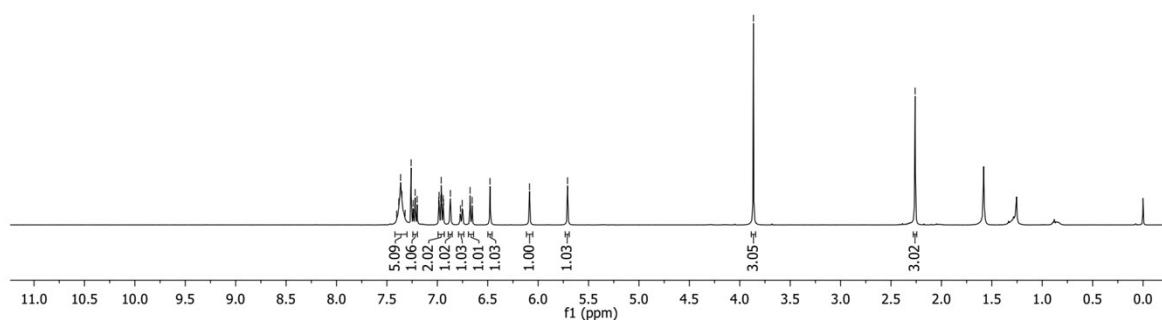
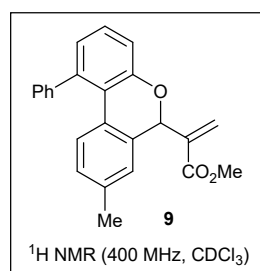


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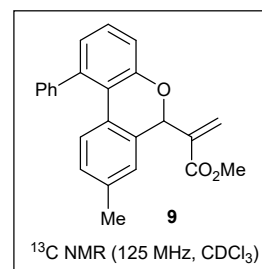
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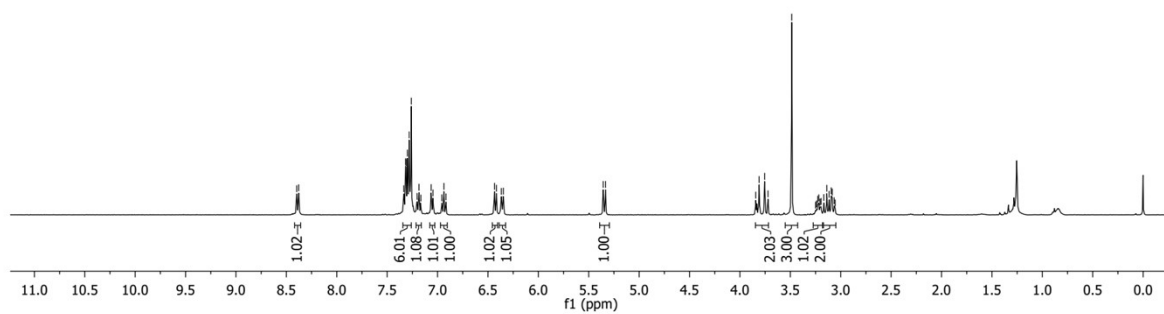
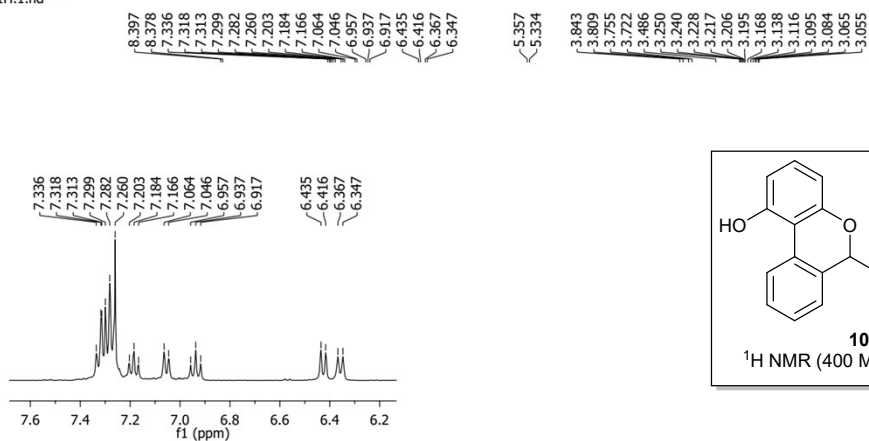
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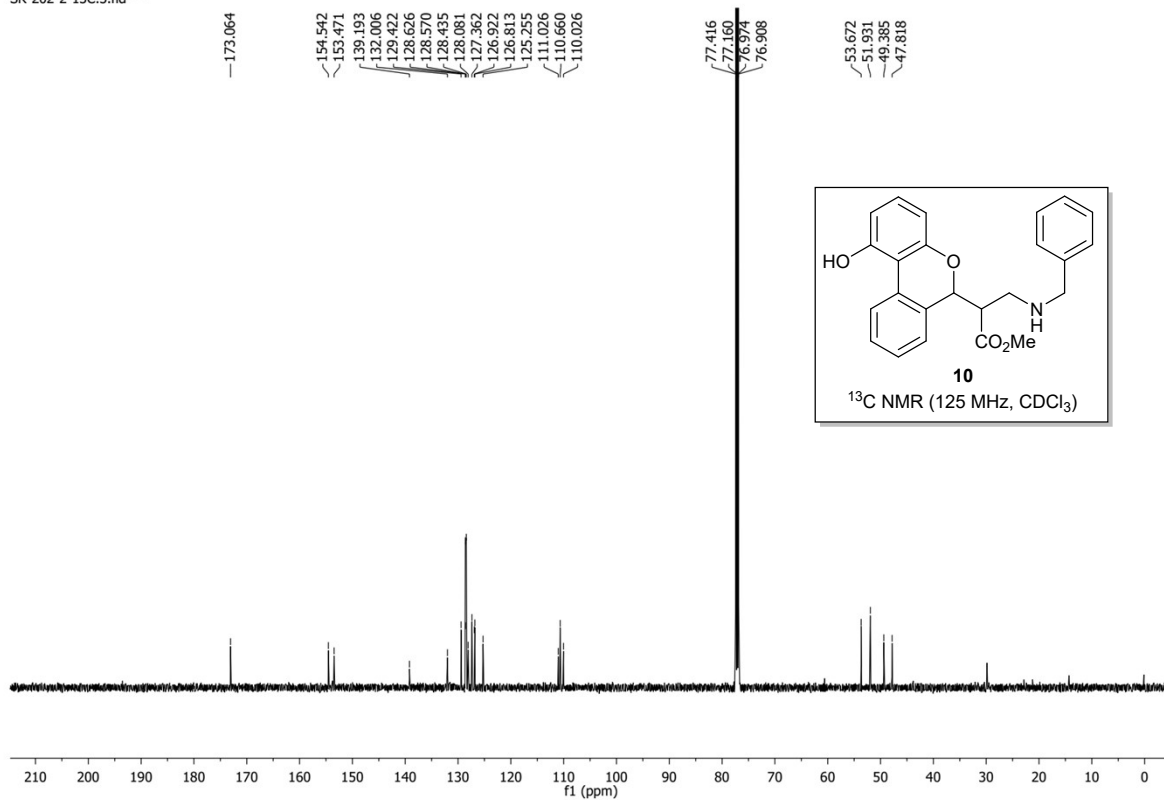
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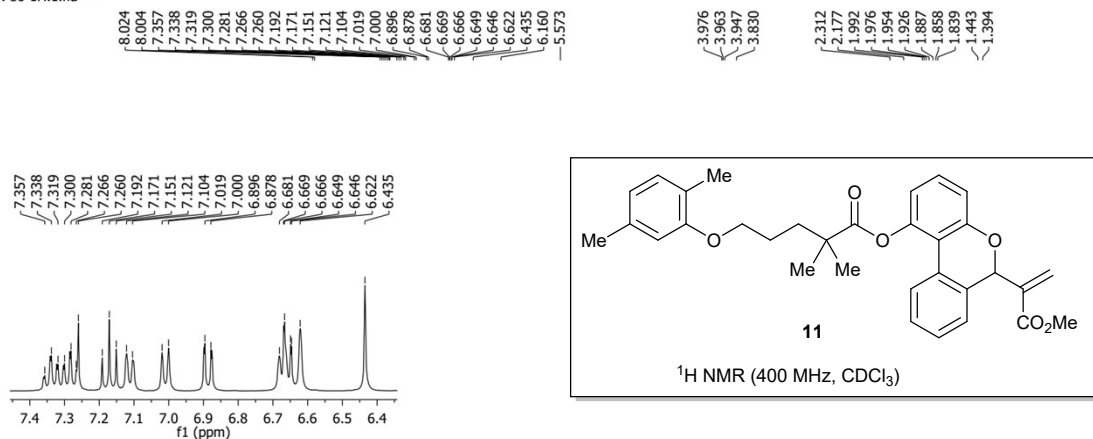
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