

Supplementary Information for

Selenol-containing two-dimensional perovskite promotes visible-light-driven selective reduction of unsaturated ketones

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1. General information

Materials. 2,2'-diselanediyldie thanamine dihydrochloride (DSEACl₂, 97%) was purchased from Beijing Innochem Science & Technology Co., Ltd. Hydriodic acid (HI, 57% w/w), hypophosphorous acid (H₃PO₂, 50% w/w), and lead (II) iodide (PbI₂, 98%) were purchased from Aladdin Inc. Trichloromethane (99.0%) was purchased from Guangzhou Chemical Reagent Inc. Deuterated chloroform (CDCl₃, 99.8%) and deuterated dimethyl sulfoxide (DMSO-*d*₆, 99.8%) were purchased from Energy Chemical Inc. Petroleumether (PE, 99.7%), ethylacetate (EA, 99.5%) and *n*-hexane (97.0%) were purchased from Aladdin Inc. All chemicals were used as received without further purification. Detailed preparation approaches of all ketone substrates are available in Supplementary Information Section 2.

Preparation of (SEA)₂PbI₄ single crystal. 31.8 mg of DSEACl₂ (0.10 mmol) and 41.6 mg of PbI₂ (0.10 mmol) were transferred to a 10 mL thick-walled reaction tube and further dissolved in a mixed solution containing 0.50 mL of 57% w/w HI and 0.10 mL of 50% w/w H₃PO₂. The solution was heated to 110 °C with mechanical stirring until the solids were completely dissolved. Upon gradual natural cooling to room temperature, orange plate-like crystals gradually formed and precipitated. The product crystals were collected using Buchner filtration and finally transferred to a nitrogen-filled glovebox for storage.

Powder and single-crystal X-ray diffraction (PXRD and SXRD). PXRD patterns were recorded on a Rigaku Miniflex 600 diffractometer (Cu-K α , $\lambda = 1.5406 \text{ \AA}$) operating at a voltage of 45 kV and a current of 15 mA. SXRD data were collected using an Agilent SuperNova diffractometer with the monochromatized Ga- K α ($\lambda=1.34138 \text{ \AA}$) source at 150 K. The crystal structure was solved by direct methods and refined via full matrix least-square technique using SHELXL with OLEX2-1.5 package.

Stereo fluorescence microscope (SFM) imaging. The crystal sample was placed on a clean silicon wafer (2 cm \times 2 cm) and imaged using a Leica M205FA stereomicroscope with visible light or 365 nm UV illumination.

Photoluminescence (PL) and absorption spectroscopy. The PL spectrum of the crystalline sample was recorded at 77 K using an FLS1000 spectrometer (Edinburgh Instruments) equipped with a xenon lamp and monochromator. The excitation wavelength of the PL spectrum was set at 370 nm. The absorption spectrum was recorded using a UV3600 fluorometer (Shimadzu Inc.).

Raman spectroscopy. The Raman spectrum was recorded using a TriVista 557 spectrometer (Princeton Instruments) with a 785 nm laser (power: 1 mW) as the excitation source.

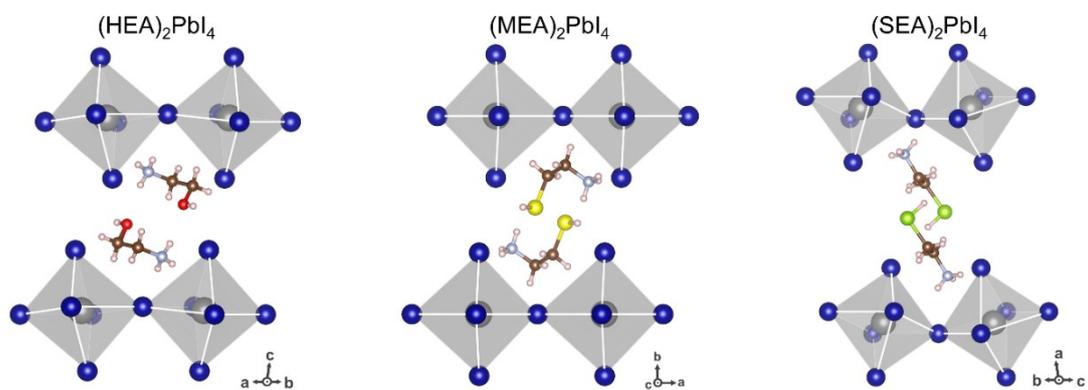
Computational studies. All solid state quantum chemistry computations were done using the Vienna ab initio simulation package (VASP-5.4.4)¹ with the projector augmented-wave (PAW) potentials² and PBE functional³. The cut off energy for plane wave basis set was set to 400 eV. The k-points were set according to lattice parameters and summarized in Table S3. The LOBSTER-2.1.0 program was used to generate the DOS and pDOS⁴. All crystal structures were plotted using VESTA-3.5.5⁵. The reaction Gibbs free energies were obtained through molecular DFT calculations using ORCA with the def2-SVP basis set the wB97x functional, and the PCM solvent model with toluene as the solvent. Since all the elementary reactions occur in condensed phase, where molecular translation and rotation are (at least partially) hindered, we only include the vibrational contribution to the Gibbs free energy in evaluating the reaction Gibbs free energies.

NMR spectroscopy. ¹H, ¹⁹F{¹H} and ¹³C{¹H} NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker Avance III 400 MHz spectrometer at ambient temperature. Samples (~5 mg) were dissolved in CDCl₃ or DMSO-*d*₆ and ultrasonicated for ~1 min to form homogenous dispersion. MestReNova software (ver.14.2.1, Mestrelab Research) was used to analyze the NMR results. All chemical shifts were recorded in parts per million (ppm, δ). ¹H NMR spectra are referred to the residual CHCl₃ signal (7.26 ppm) or residue DMSO signal (2.50 ppm), and ¹³C NMR spectra are referred to the CDCl₃ signal (77.2 ppm, triplet) or DMSO-*d*₆ signal (39.6 ppm, septet). Data for ¹H NMR are reported as follows: chemical shift (δ ppm), multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet), coupling constant (Hz), integration.

Data for $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR, and $^{19}\text{F}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR are reported as follows: chemical shift (δ ppm), multiplicity (d = doublet, q = quartet), coupling constant (Hz). High resolution mass spectra of new compounds were recorded on LTQ Orbitrap Elite LC/MS (APCI).

Photocatalytic reduction of α,β -unsaturated ketones. A mixture of substrate **1** (0.1 mmol, 1 equiv), $(\text{SEA})_2\text{PbI}_4$ (0.01 mmol, 0.1 equiv), and H_3PO_2 (1.2 mmol, 50 wt%) in *n*-hexane (2.0 mL) was transferred to a 10 mL glass vial. The vial was degassed with N_2 , sealed, and placed onto the holder (5 cm above the light source (10 W, $\lambda = 450$ nm or 525 nm, PCX50B/50C, Beijing Perfectlight Technology Co., Ltd.)) for the photocatalytic reaction. The reaction lasted for a predesigned period with magnetic stirring at 60 °C. After that, the mixture was concentrated *in vacuo* and purified by preparative thin-layer chromatography to afford the reduction product **2**. Control experiments were conducted using the same conditions except for the specific description of the condition changes (e.g. absence of light, replacement of catalyst, or the addition of radical scavengers).

Hot filtration experiments. The photocatalytic reaction was first carried out under the standard conditions described above in the presence of $(\text{SEA})_2\text{PbI}_4$. After 4 h of visible-light irradiation, the reaction reached approximately 20% conversion. At this point, the reaction mixture was quickly filtered at the reaction temperature to completely remove the solid photocatalyst. The obtained clear filtrate was then transferred to a clean glass vial and further irradiated under identical conditions for an additional 12 h. The reaction progress and product yields were determined by ^1H NMR spectroscopy using 1,3,5-trimethoxybenzene as the internal standard.



2. Structural and optical properties study of TMHPs

Figure S1. Single-crystal structures of (HEA)₂PbI₄, (MEA)₂PbI₄ and (SEA)₂PbI₄. (CCDC: (HEA)₂PbI₄⁶: 237189; (MEA)₂PbI₄⁷: 2059317; (SEA)₂PbI₄: 2348172)

Table S1. Summary of the elemental proportions near the valence band edge within the excitation ranges of blue (450 nm) and green light (525 nm) for the TMHPs containing chalcogenol functional groups (-OH, -SH, -SeH) as defined in Figure 1c.

Excitation	TMHP	Pb (%)	I (%)	C (%)	N (%)	O/S/Se (%)	H (%)
450 nm	(HEA)PbI ₄	11.54	86.67	0.70	0.32	0.18	0.59
	(MEA) ₂ PbI ₄	1.90	82.08	1.35	0.31	13.51	0.85
	(SEA) ₂ PbI ₄	1.50	21.59	2.81	0.56	70.62	2.92
525 nm	(MEA) ₂ PbI ₄	6.73	86.21	0.87	0.14	5.52	0.52
	(SEA) ₂ PbI ₄	3.05	31.58	1.93	0.43	61.58	1.42

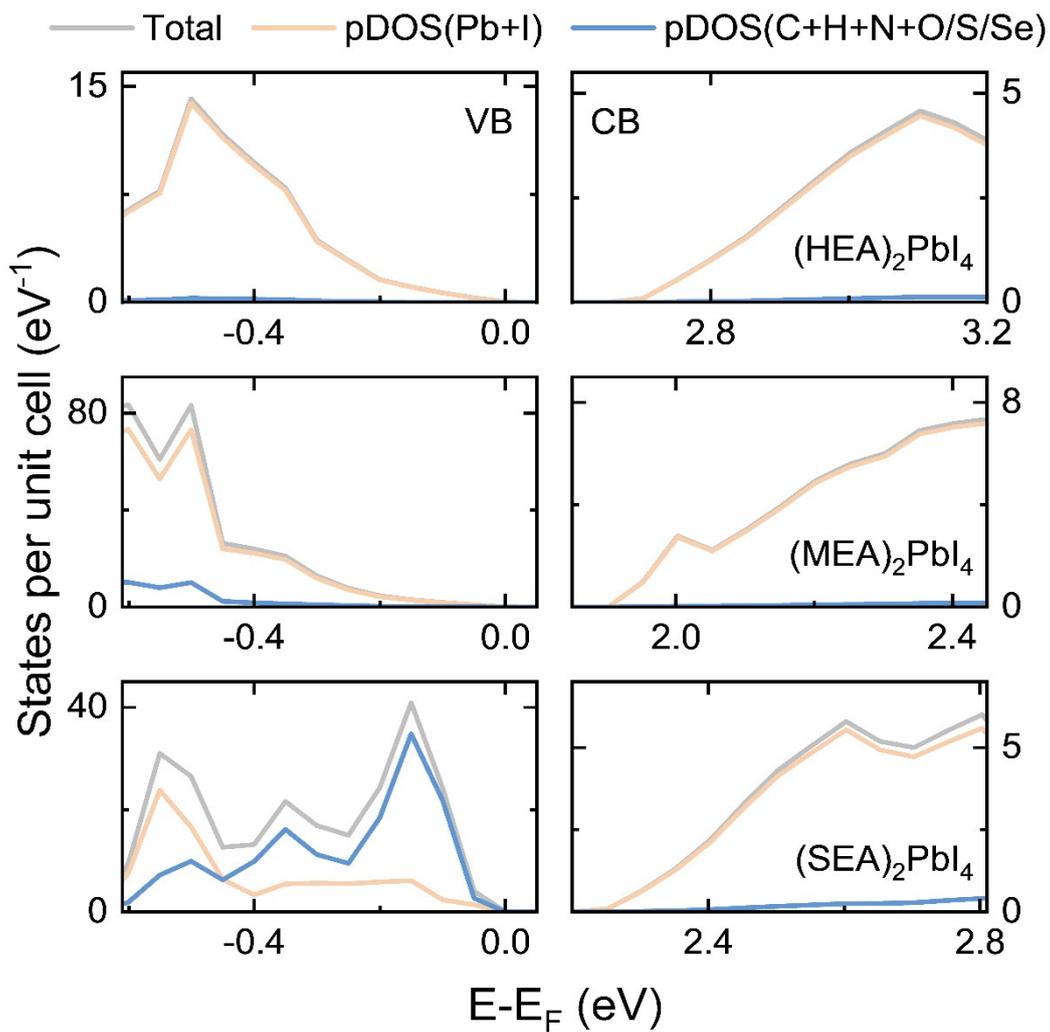


Figure S2. Zoom-in pDOS results for $(\text{HEA})_2\text{PbI}_4$, $(\text{MEA})_2\text{PbI}_4$, and $(\text{SEA})_2\text{PbI}_4$ showing the organic and inorganic contributions near the band edges. The Fermi level is aligned at 0 eV.

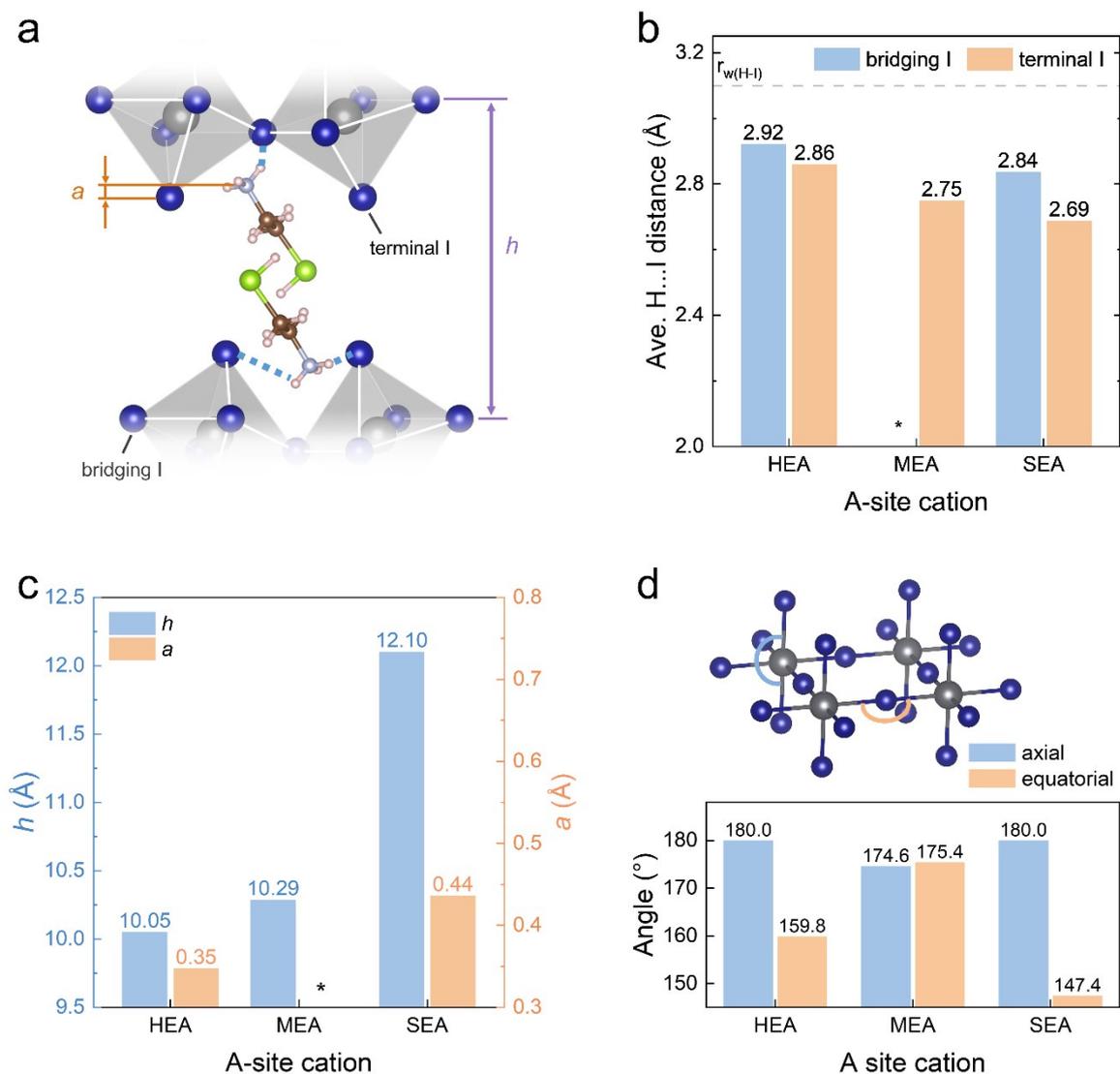


Figure S3. Structural analysis of (HEA)₂PbI₄, (MEA)₂PbI₄, and (SEA)₂PbI₄. (a) General crystal structure of TMHPs (taking (SEA)₂PbI₄ as the model), where a and h refer to the penetration depth of the cations and the distance between two adjacent planes for the Pb centers in the [PbI₆]⁴⁻ octahedra, respectively. (b) H...I distance shown in (a). (c) Summary of the octahedral spacing values h and penetration depth a shown in (a). The asterisk denotes $a < 0$ for MEA-based structure. (d) Definition and summary of the axial I-Pb-I and the equatorial Pb-I-Pb angles.

Table S2. Data summary of TMHP single crystals studied in this work.

Compound	(HEA) ₂ PbI ₄	(MEA) ₂ PbI ₄	(SEA) ₂ PbI ₄
Empirical Formula	C ₄ H ₁₆ I ₄ N ₂ PbO ₂	C ₄ H ₁₆ I ₄ N ₂ PbS ₂	C ₄ H ₁₆ I ₄ N ₂ PbSe ₂
Crystal system	monoclinic	orthorhombic	monoclinic
Space group	<i>P21/a</i>	<i>Pnma</i>	<i>P21/a</i>
Color	orange	red	orange
Cell dimensions	a = 8.9350(10) Å b = 9.056(2) Å c = 10.214(3) Å $\alpha = 90.0^\circ$ $\beta = 100.260(10)^\circ$ $\gamma = 90.0^\circ$	a = 12.9517(4) Å b = 12.9517(4) Å c = 6.4214(2) Å $\alpha = 90.0^\circ$ $\beta = 90.0^\circ$ $\gamma = 90.0^\circ$	a = 12.2377(6) Å b = 8.7867(4) Å c = 8.6139(4) Å $\alpha = 90.0^\circ$ $\beta = 98.546(4)^\circ$ $\gamma = 90.0^\circ$
Volume (Å ³)	813.3(3)	1711.17(9)	915.96(8)
Z	2	4	2
Density (g/cm ³)	3.424	3.381	3.499

Table S3. Detailed calculation parameters of k-points with Γ -center meshes for sampling the Brillouin zones of the TMHP structures.

TMHP type	k-point setup
(HEA)PbI ₄	4 × 4 × 3
(MEA) ₂ PbI ₄	3 × 6 × 2
(SEA) ₂ PbI ₄	2 × 3 × 3

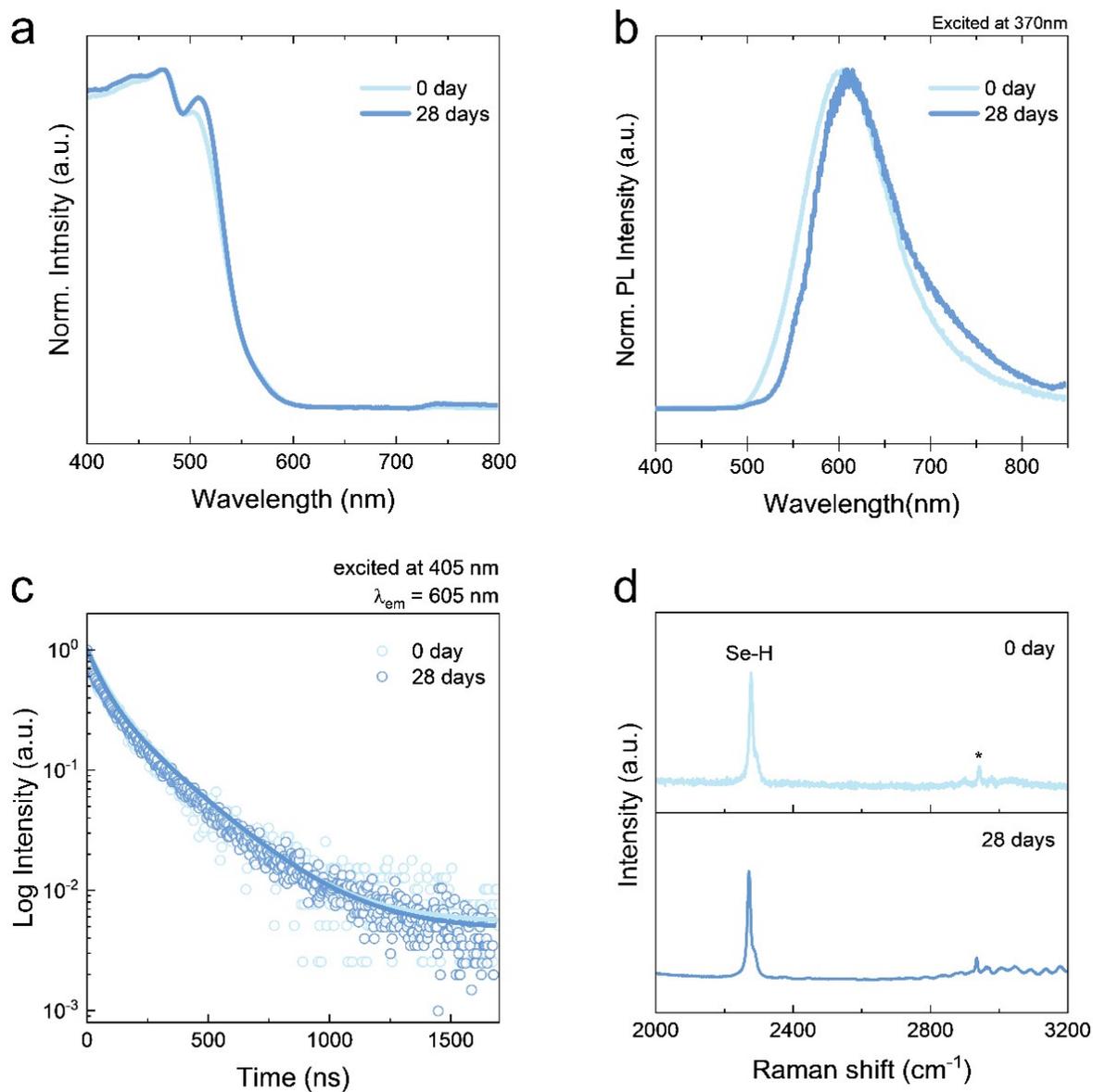


Figure S4. Stability characterization of $(\text{SEA})_2\text{PbI}_4$ crystals. (a) Absorption spectra, **(b)** PL spectra, and **(c)** PL lifetimes decays (0-day: 183 ns; 28-day: 189 ns). **(d)** Raman spectra of $(\text{SEA})_2\text{PbI}_4$ crystals before and after exposure for 28 days.

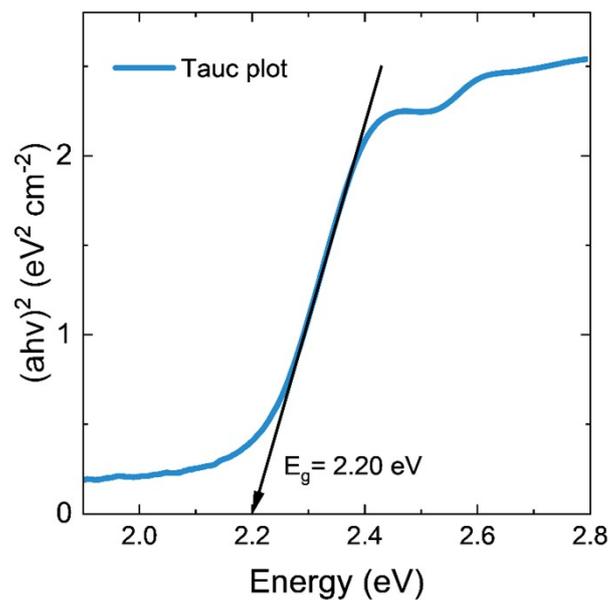


Figure S5. Tauc-plots of the optical absorption spectra of $(\text{SEA})_2\text{PbI}_4$ shown in Figure 2e.

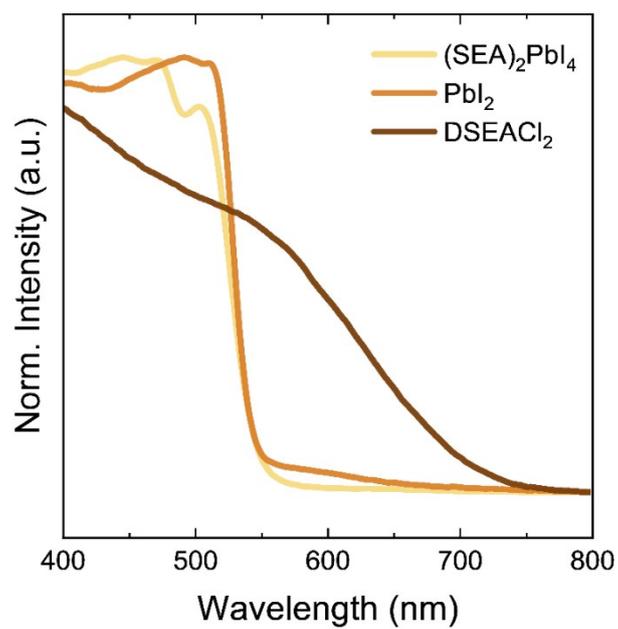
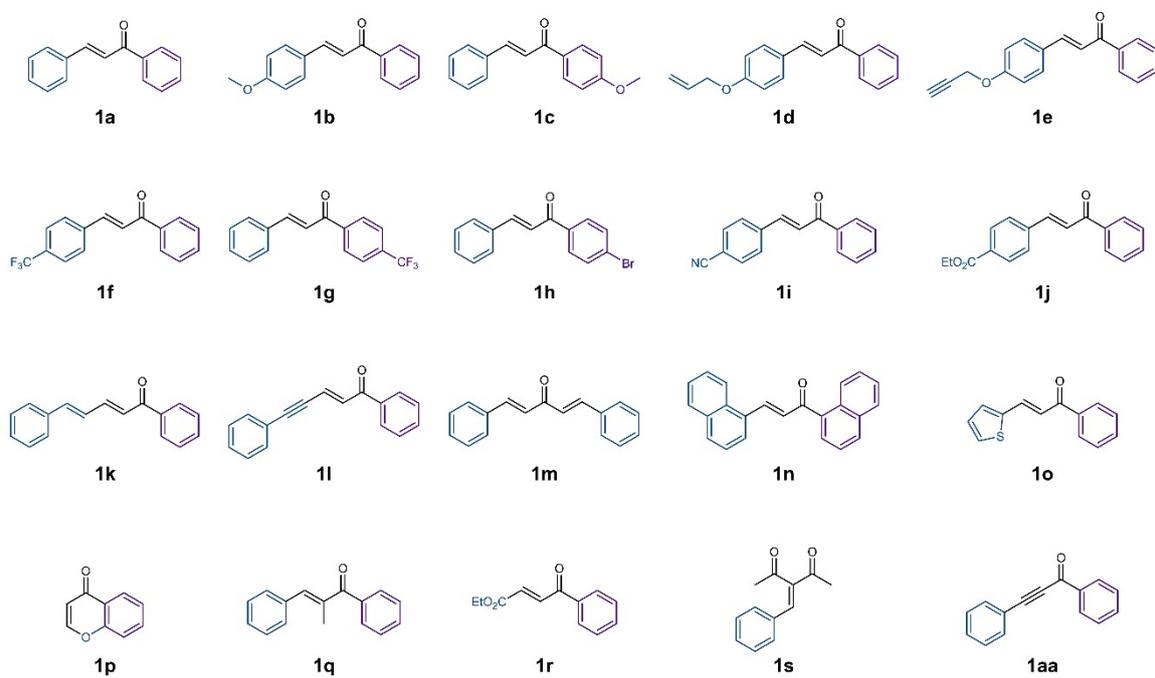


Figure S6. Normalized absorption spectra of the $(\text{SEA})_2\text{PbI}_4$, PbI_2 , and DSEACl_2 .

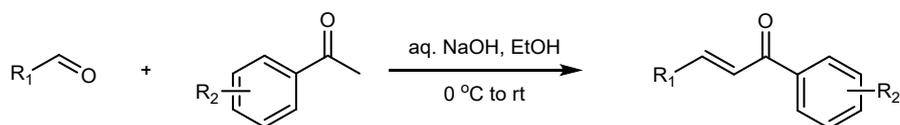


3. Substrates synthesis

Figure S7. Ketone substrates used in this study. Detailed preparation approaches are listed in Supplementary Section 2.1 – 2.7.

2.1 Materials

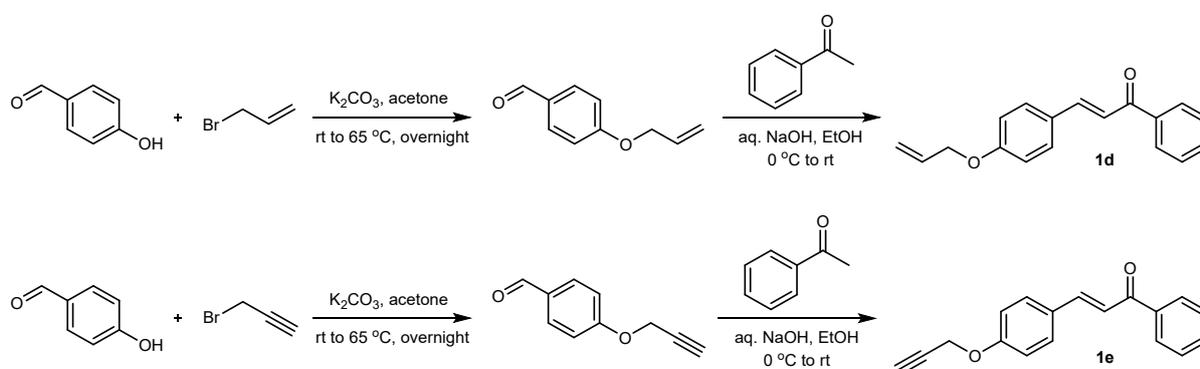
Chalcone (**1a**, 98%), ethanol (EtOH, 98%), sodium hydroxide (NaOH, 98%), sodium sulfate (Na₂SO₄, 99%), potassium carbonate (K₂CO₃, 99%), acetic acid (AcOH, 80%), tetrahydrofuran (THF, 99%), ethyl acetate (99%), *n*-butyllithium solution (*n*-BuLi, 1.3 mol/L in pentane), ammonium chloride (NH₄Cl, 99.5%), boron trifluoride diethyl etherate (BF₃·OEt₂, 95%), triethylamine (Et₃N, 99%), *p*-anisaldehyde (99%) and acetophenone (99%) was purchased from Sigma-Aldrich Inc. Ethyl 3-benzo- γ -pyrone (**1p**, 98%), benzoylacrylate (**1r**, 94%), 4-methoxyacetophenone (99%), benzaldehyde (98.5%), propargyl bromide (98%), and 4-hydroxy benzaldehyde (99%) was purchased from Macklin Inc. 4'-bromoacetophenone (98%), 4-formylbenzotrile (98%), ethyl 4-formylbenzoate (95%), 1-naphthaldehyde (97%), 1-acetylnaphthalene (97%), 3-phenylpropionaldehyde (95%), *trans*-cinnamaldehyde (98%), 2-thiophenecarboxaldehyde (98%), 4-(trifluoromethyl)benzaldehyde (97%), and 4-(trifluoromethyl)acetophenone (98%) were purchased from Energy Chemical Inc. Allyl bromide (98%), 4'-bromoacetophenone (98%), and acetylacetone (99.6%) were purchased from Adamas Inc. Acetone (99.5%) and hydrochloric acid (HCl, 36.0 – 38.0 wt% in water) were purchased from Guangzhou Chemical Reagent Inc. Piperidine (99.5%) was purchased from Shanghai Hushi Chemical Co., Ltd. All chemicals used are commercially available and were used without any additional purification steps.



2.2 Preparation of **1b-1c**, **1f-1k**, **1m-1n**, and **1o**.

α,β -Unsaturated ketones **1b-1c**, **1f-1k**, **1m-1n**, and **1o** were synthesized via aldol condensation between benzaldehyde derivatives and aromatic ketones, following a modified literature procedure.⁸ Briefly, a solution of the ketone substrate (5.0 mmol) in EtOH (10.0 mL) was cooled to 0 °C in a 50-mL round bottom flask, and aqueous NaOH (4.0 mL, 10 wt%) was added

dropwise with stirring. After stirred at 0 °C for 20 min, the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1 h. The corresponding benzaldehyde derivative (5 mmol) was then added, and the reaction was monitored by thin layer chromatography (TLC) until the reaction was completed. The solvent was removed via rotary evaporation and the residue diluted with water and extracted with ethyl acetate (3 × 10 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over Na₂SO₄, followed by the concentration via rotary evaporation, and the residue was purified by silica gel chromatography to yield the desired α,β -unsaturated ketones **1b-1c**, **1f-1k**, **1m-1n**, and **1o**.

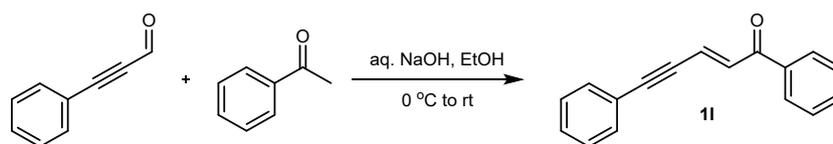


2.3 Preparation of **1d** and **1e**.

Compounds **1d** and **1e** were synthesized via a two-step procedure involving alkylation of phenols followed by aldol condensation, adapted from literature methods.^{8,9} Briefly, in a 50 mL round-bottom flask, a mixture of 4-hydroxybenzaldehyde (1.0 mmol) and K₂CO₃ (1.5 mmol, in acetone (5.0 mL) was stirred at room temperature. Allyl bromide (or propargyl bromide, 1.1 mmol) in acetone (1.0 mL) was added dropwise, and the reaction was stirred for 30 min at room temperature before being heated to reflux at 65 °C overnight. The crude product was purified by silica gel chromatography to yield the corresponding benzaldehyde derivative.

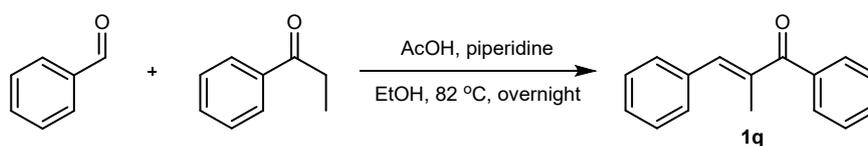
A solution of acetophenone (1.0 mmol) in EtOH (3.0 mL) was cooled to 0 °C in a 50 mL flask, and aqueous NaOH (0.5 mL, 10 wt%) was added dropwise. After stirring at 0 °C for 20 min, the mixture was naturally warmed to room temperature and kept stirring for 1 h. The pre-synthesized benzaldehyde derivative (1.0 mmol) was added, and the reaction was

monitored by TLC until completion. The solvent was evaporated via rotary evaporation, and the residue was diluted with water and extracted with ethyl acetate (3×10 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over Na_2SO_4 , concentrated, and purified by silica gel chromatography to yield **1d** and **1e**.



2.4 Preparation of **1l**.

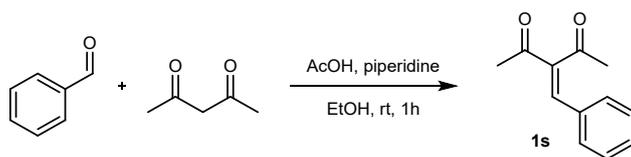
Compound **1l** was prepared via aldol condensation with 3-phenylpropiolaldehyde and acetophenone using NaOH as base, following a modified literature procedure.¹⁰ In a 50-mL round-bottom flask, a solution of acetophenone (2.0 mmol) and 3-phenylpropiolaldehyde (2.0 mmol) in 6 mL of EtOH/water mixture (50 wt%) was cooled to 0 °C. 0.18 mL of NaOH aqueous solution (50 wt%) was added dropwise, followed by an addition 0.12 mL of diluted (20 wt%) NaOH aqueous solution upon precipitation. The solution was mechanically stirred at room temperature for 10 h. The resulting solid was collected by filtration, washed with cold 20 wt% EtOH/water mixture, and recrystallized from 70 – - 80 wt% EtOH/water mixture to yield compound **1l**.



2.5 Preparation of **1q**.

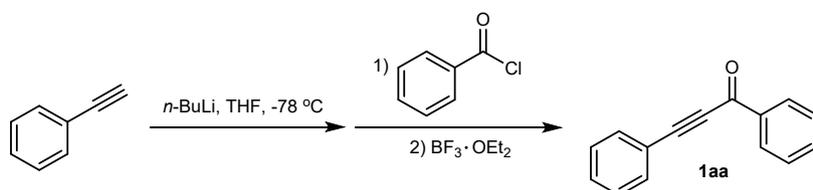
The synthesis of compound **1q** was achieved through aldol condensation of benzaldehyde and propiophenone according to literature method¹¹. A mixture of in a 50 mL round-bottom flask, a mixture of propiophenone (5.0 mmol), benzaldehyde (5.0 mmol), piperidine (1.5 mL), and acetic acid (750 μL) in EtOH (8.0 mL) was refluxed at 82 °C until completion as monitored by TLC. After cooling to room temperature, the solvent was removed by rotary evaporation, and

the crude product was further purified by silica gel chromatography to yield compound **1q**.



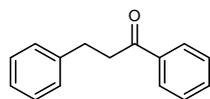
2.6 Preparation of **1s**.

α , β -unsaturated ketone **1s** was prepared via aldol condensation between benzaldehyde and acetylacetone following established procedures.¹² A solution of benzaldehyde (2.0 mmol), acetylacetone (2.0 mmol), piperidine (2.0 mmol), and acetic acid (AcOH, 2.0 mmol) in EtOH (15.0 mL) was stirred at room temperature for 1 h. The reaction was quenched with ice water and extracted with ethyl acetate (3×10 mL). The combined organic layer was then washed with water, HCl (1 mol/L), and water again, then dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated. The crude product was further purified by silica gel chromatography to yield compound **1s**.



2.7 Preparation of **1aa**.

Compound **1aa** was prepared via addition of lithium acetylide to benzoyl chloride according to literature procedures.¹³ In a 50-mL round-bottom flask under nitrogen, a solution of morpholine (1.0 mmol) and phenylacetylene (3.0 mmol) in THF (5.0 mL) was cooled to -78 °C. *n*-BuLi (4.0 mmol) was added dropwise, and the mixture was stirred for 10 min at -78 °C. Benzoyl chloride (1.0 mmol) was then added dropwise, followed by BF₃·OEt₂ (1.0 mmol), and the stirring continued for 30 min. The reaction was quenched with saturated NH₄Cl (10 mL) and extracted with ethyl acetate (3×10 mL). The combined organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, concentrated, and purified by silica gel chromatography (eluent containing Et₃N) to yield **1aa**.



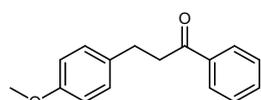
4. Summary of NMR data

1,3-Diphenylpropan-1-one (**2a**)¹⁴

Preparative thin layer chromatography (eluent: PE/EA = 20:1, v/v) to afford **2a** as a white solid (15.8 mg, 75%). $R_f = 0.3$ (PE/EA = 20:1, v/v).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.99 – 7.91 (m, 2H), 7.54 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.44 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 2H), 7.33 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.27 – 7.23 (m, 2H), 7.20 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.33 – 3.26 (m, 2H), 3.10 – 3.03 (m, 2H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.3, 141.4, 137.0, 133.2, 128.7, 128.6, 128.5, 128.2, 126.3, 40.5, 30.3.

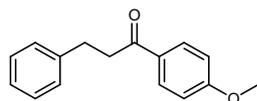


3-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-1-phenylpropan-1-one (**2b**)¹⁴

Preparative thin layer chromatography (eluent: PE/EA = 20:1, v/v) to afford **2b** as a yellow solid (19.4 mg, 81%). $R_f = 0.2$ (PE/EA = 20:1, v/v).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.02 – 7.90 (m, 2H), 7.54 (d, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.45 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.17 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 6.89 – 6.79 (m, 2H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.27 (dd, $J = 8.3, 7.0$ Hz, 2H), 3.02 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.5, 158.2, 137.1, 133.5, 133.2, 129.5, 128.7, 128.2, 114.1, 55.4, 40.9, 29.5.

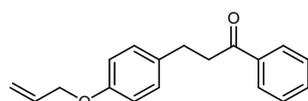


1-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-3-phenylpropan-1-one (2c)¹⁴

Preparative thin layer chromatography (eluent: PE/EA = 20:1, v/v) to afford **2c** as a light-yellow solid (18.7 mg, 78%). $R_f = 0.2$ (PE/EA = 20:1, v/v).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.94 (d, $J = 8.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.33 – 7.17 (m, 5H), 6.93 (d, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 2H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 3.25 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 2H), 3.06 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 2H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 198.0, 163.6, 141.6, 130.5, 130.2, 128.65, 128.57, 126.2, 113.9, 55.6, 40.3, 30.5.

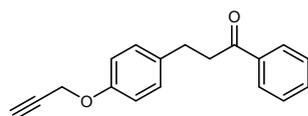


3-(4-(Allyloxy)phenyl)-1-phenylpropan-1-one (2d)¹⁵

Preparative thin layer chromatography (eluent: PE/EA = 100:1, v/v) to afford **2d** as a colorless oil (14.9 mg, 56%). $R_f = 0.5$ (PE/EA = 100:1, v/v).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.04 – 7.86 (m, 2H), 7.55 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.45 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.16 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 6.86 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 2H), 6.05 (ddt, $J = 16.2, 10.4, 5.4$ Hz, 1H), 5.40 (d, $J = 18.9$ Hz, 1H), 5.28 (d, $J = 10.4$ Hz, 1H), 4.57 – 4.46 (m, 2H), 3.27 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 3.01 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 2H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.6, 157.2, 137.1, 133.7, 133.6, 133.2, 129.5, 128.7, 128.2, 117.7, 115.0, 69.0, 40.8, 29.5.



1-Phenyl-3-(4-(prop-2-yn-1-yloxy)phenyl)propan-1-one (2e)

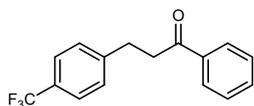
Preparative thin layer chromatography (eluent: PE/EA = 20:1, v/v) to afford **2e** as a colorless

oil (14.0 mg, 53%). $R_f = 0.5$ (PE/EA = 20:1, v/v).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.95 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.55 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.45 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.19 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 2H), 6.92 (d, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 2H), 4.67 (d, $J = 2.5$ Hz, 2H), 3.27 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 3.02 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 2H), 2.51 (s, 1H).

^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 199.5, 156.1, 137.1, 134.5, 133.2, 129.5, 128.7, 128.2, 115.2, 78.9, 75.5, 56.0, 40.7, 29.4.

HRMS (APCI): (m/z) Calculated for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{17}\text{O}_2^+$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 265.1223; Found 265.1225.



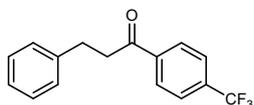
1-Phenyl-3-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)propan-1-one (**2f**)¹⁶

Preparative thin layer chromatography (eluent: PE/EA = 10:1, v/v) to afford **2f** as a light-yellow oil (13.1 mg, 47%). $R_f = 0.5$ (PE/EA = 10:1, v/v).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.96 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.56 (dd, $J = 11.5, 7.8$ Hz, 3H), 7.46 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.37 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 3.33 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 2H), 3.14 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 2H).

^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 198.7, 145.6, 136.8, 133.4, 128.9, 128.8, 128.5, 128.1, 125.6 (q, $J = 11.1$ Hz), 124.4 (q, $J = 272.0$ Hz), 40.0, 29.9.

^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -62.39.



3-Phenyl-1-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)propan-1-one (**2g**)¹⁷

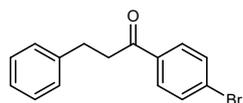
Preparative thin layer chromatography (eluent: PE/EA = 20:1, v/v) to afford **2g** as a light-yellow oil (10.3 mg, 37%). $R_f = 0.4$ (PE/EA = 20:1, v/v).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.05 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.72 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.35 – 7.28

(m, 2H), 7.26 – 7.18 (m, 3H), 3.33 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 3.09 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H).

^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 198.3, 141.0, 139.6, 134.5 (q, $J = 32.6$ Hz), 128.8, 128.6, 128.5, 126.4, 125.9 (q, $J = 3.7$ Hz), 123.7 (q, $J = 273.7$ Hz), 40.9, 30.1.

^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -63.12.

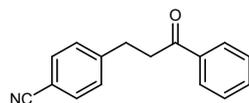


1-(4-Bromophenyl)-3-phenylpropan-1-one (**2h**)¹⁴

Preparative thin layer chromatography (eluent: PE/EA = 20:1, v/v) to afford **2h** as a white solid (18.7 mg, 65%). $R_f = 0.3$ (PE/EA = 20:1, v/v).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.82 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.60 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.31 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.27 – 7.19 (m, 3H), 3.27 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 3.07 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H).

^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 198.3, 141.2, 135.7, 132.1, 129.7, 128.7, 128.5, 128.4, 126.4, 40.5, 30.2.

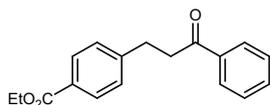


4-(3-Oxo-3-phenylpropyl)benzonitrile (**2i**)¹⁸

Preparative thin layer chromatography (eluent: PE/EA = 15:1, v/v) to afford **2i** as a colorless oil (15.8 mg, 67%). $R_f = 0.5$ (PE/EA = 15:1, v/v).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.94 (d, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.57 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 3H), 7.46 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.37 (d, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 2H), 3.32 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 2H), 3.14 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 2H).

^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 198.4, 147.1, 136.7, 133.5, 132.5, 129.5, 128.8, 128.1, 119.1, 110.2, 39.6, 30.1.

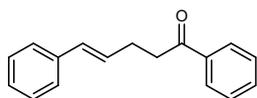


Ethyl 4-(3-oxo-3-phenylpropyl)benzoate (2j)¹⁹

Preparative thin layer chromatography (eluent: PE/EA = 40:1, v/v) to afford **2j** as a colorless oil (17.2 mg, 61%). $R_f = 0.5$ (PE/EA = 40:1, v/v).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.96 (t, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 4H), 7.60 – 7.52 (m, 1H), 7.45 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.32 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 4.36 (q, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2H), 3.32 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 3.13 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 1.38 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 198.8, 166.7, 146.8, 136.9, 133.3, 130.0, 128.8, 128.7, 128.6, 128.2, 61.0, 40.0, 30.2, 14.5.

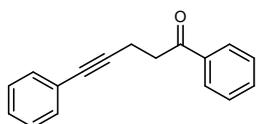


(E)-1,5-diphenylpent-4-en-1-one (2k)²⁰

Preparative thin layer chromatography (eluent: PE/EA = 20:1, v/v) to afford **2m** as a light-yellow solid (16.3 mg, 69%). $R_f = 0.5$ (PE/EA = 20:1, v/v).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.98 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.57 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.47 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.38 – 7.32 (m, 2H), 7.29 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.20 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.47 (d, $J = 15.9$ Hz, 1H), 6.30 (dt, $J = 15.8, 6.8$ Hz, 1H), 3.16 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 2H), 2.67 (q, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 2H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.5, 137.6, 137.1, 133.2, 131.0, 129.3, 128.8, 128.6, 128.2, 127.2, 126.2, 38.4, 27.7.

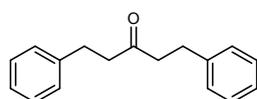


1,5-Diphenylpent-4-yn-1-one (2l)²¹

Preparative thin layer chromatography (eluent: PE/EA = 20:1, v/v) to afford **2n** as a yellow solid (8.4 mg, 36%). $R_f = 0.5$ (PE/EA = 20:1, v/v).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.02 – 7.97 (m, 2H), 7.60 – 7.56 (m, 1H), 7.48 (ddd, $J = 8.3, 6.6, 1.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.40 – 7.35 (m, 2H), 7.28 – 7.26 (m, 3H), 3.36 – 3.29 (m, 2H), 2.90 – 2.82 (m, 2H).

^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 198.2, 136.7, 133.4, 131.7, 128.8, 128.3, 128.2, 127.9, 123.8, 89.0, 81.2, 38.0, 14.5.

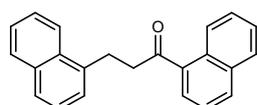


1,5-Diphenylpentan-3-one (**2m**)²²

Preparative thin layer chromatography (eluent: PE/EA = 20:1, v/v) to afford **2l** as a yellow oil (12.9 mg, 54%). $R_f = 0.5$ (PE/EA = 20:1, v/v).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.25 – 7.21 (m, 4H), 7.15 (dd, $J = 17.7, 7.3$ Hz, 6H), 2.86 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 4H), 2.68 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 4H).

^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 209.2, 141.2, 128.6, 128.5, 126.3, 44.7, 29.9.

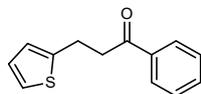


1,3-Di(naphthalen-1-yl)propan-1-one (**2n**)²³

Preparative thin layer chromatography (eluent: PE/EA = 20:1, v/v) to afford **2k** as a colorless oil (22.0 mg, 71%). $R_f = 0.6$ (PE/EA = 20:1, v/v).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.65 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 8.10 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.97 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.88 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.81 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.78 – 7.70 (m, 1H), 7.61 (d, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.58 – 7.47 (m, 3H), 7.43 (q, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 3H), 3.63 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 3.57 – 3.45 (m, 2H).

^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 203.6, 137.3, 136.0, 134.13, 134.11, 132.8, 131.8, 130.3, 129.1, 128.6, 128.1, 127.7, 127.2, 126.6, 126.3, 126.2, 126.0, 125.8, 125.7, 124.5, 123.7, 43.2, 27.9.

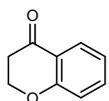


1-Phenyl-3-(thiophen-2-yl)propan-1-one (2o)¹⁸

Preparative thin layer chromatography (eluent: PE/EA = 20:1, v/v) to afford **2o** as a colorless oil (14.3 mg, 66%). R_f = 0.3 (PE/EA = 20:1, v/v).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.97 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 7.57 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.13 (d, J = 5.0 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (dd, J = 5.2, 3.3 Hz, 1H), 6.87 (s, 1H), 3.40 – 3.34 (m, 2H), 3.33 – 3.27 (m, 2H).

^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 198.7, 144.0, 136.9, 133.3, 128.8, 128.2, 127.0, 124.8, 123.5, 40.7, 24.4.

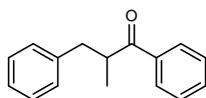


Chroman-4-one (2p)²⁰

Preparative thin layer chromatography (eluent: PE/EA = 20:1, v/v) to afford **2p** as a yellow oil (10.2 mg, 69%). R_f = 0.4 (PE/EA = 20:1, v/v).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.90 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.13 – 6.87 (m, 2H), 4.54 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 2.82 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H).

^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 191.9, 162.0, 136.1, 127.3, 121.54, 121.53, 118.0, 67.2, 38.0.



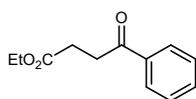
2-Methyl-1,3-diphenylpropan-1-one (2q)²⁴

Preparative thin layer chromatography (eluent: PE/EA = 30:1, v/v) to afford **2q** as a yellow oil

(7.8 mg, 35%). $R_f = 0.4$ (PE/EA = 30:1, v/v).

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.02 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.64 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.55 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.39 – 7.27 (m, 5H), 3.85 (dq, $J = 13.5, 6.9$ Hz, 1H), 3.27 (dd, $J = 13.7, 6.3$ Hz, 1H), 2.80 (dd, $J = 13.7, 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 1.31 (d, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 203.9, 140.1, 136.6, 133.1, 129.2, 128.8, 128.5, 128.4, 126.3, 42.9, 39.5, 17.5.

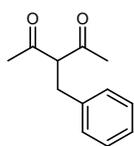


Ethyl 4-oxo-4-phenylbutanoate (2r)¹⁷

Preparative thin layer chromatography (eluent: PE/EA = 20:1, v/v) to afford **2r** as a colorless oil (6.2 mg, 30%). $R_f = 0.3$ (PE/EA = 20:1, v/v).

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.99 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.57 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.47 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 4.16 (q, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2H), 3.31 (t, $J = 6.7$ Hz, 2H), 2.76 (t, $J = 6.7$ Hz, 2H), 1.27 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 198.3, 173.1, 136.8, 133.3, 128.8, 128.2, 60.8, 33.6, 28.5, 14.3.

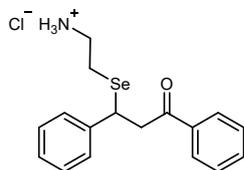


3-Benzylpentane-2,4-dione (2s)²⁵

Preparative thin layer chromatography (eluent: PE/EA = 20:1, v/v) to afford **2s** as a colorless oil (13.9 mg, 73%). $R_f = 0.5$ (PE/EA = 20:1, v/v).

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, 2.12:1 enol:keto tautomer, keto tautomer annotated by an asterisk, CDCl_3) δ 16.80 (s, 1H), 7.34 – 7.26 (m, 6H), 7.24 – 7.11 (m, 10H), 4.00 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 3.66 (s, 2H), 3.15 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 4H), 2.12 (s, 13H), 2.07 (s, 6H).

^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 203.7, 192.1, 139.8, 138.1, 128.9, 128.8, 128.7, 127.6, 126.9, 126.5, 108.4, 70.1, 34.4, 33.0, 29.9, 23.4.

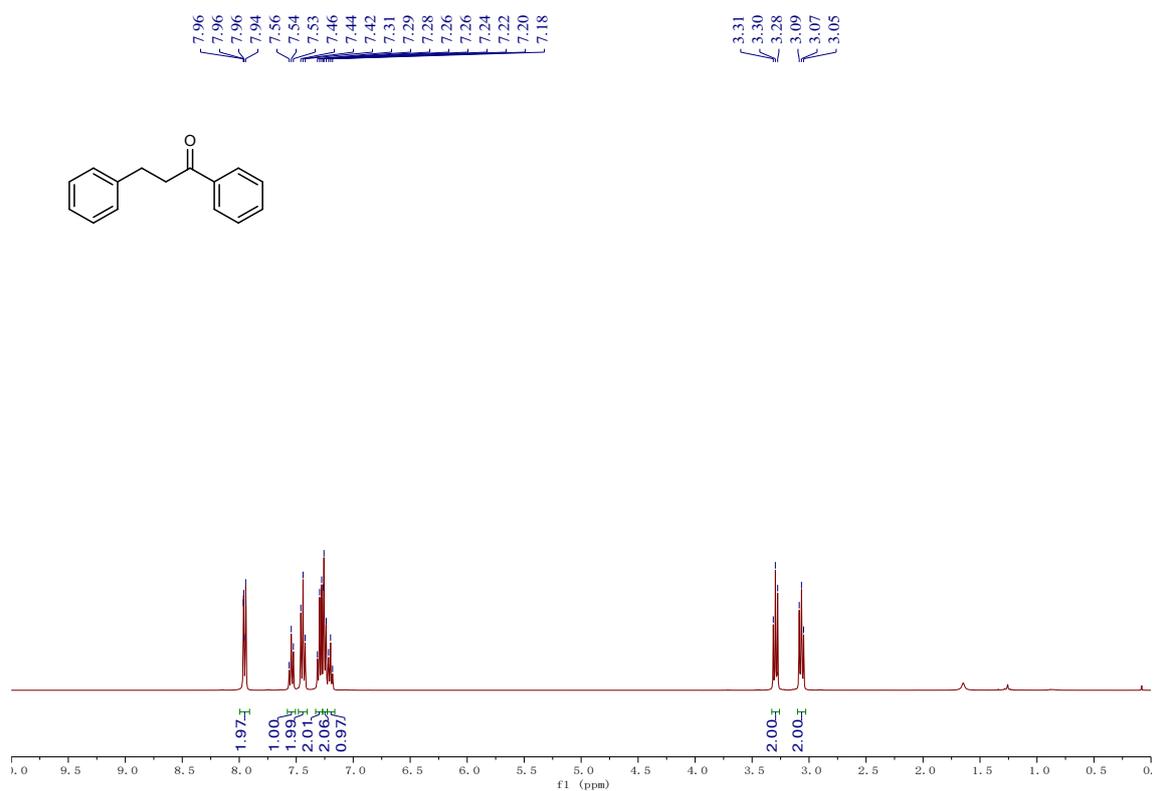


2-((3-oxo-1,3-diphenylpropyl)selanyl)ethan-1-aminium chloride (II)

^1H NMR (400 MHz, $\text{DMSO-}d_6$) δ 8.02 – 7.98 (m, 2H), 7.64 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.52 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.46 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.29 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.19 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1H), 5.90 (s, 2H), 4.70 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1H), 3.99 – 3.77 (m, 2H), 2.89 (td, $J = 10.2, 5.8$ Hz, 2H), 2.75 – 2.58 (m, 2H).

^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, $\text{DMSO-}d_6$) δ 197.5, 142.8, 136.5, 133.6, 128.9, 128.5, 128.2, 127.7, 127.0, 44.1, 37.3, 20.3.

HRMS (APCI): (m/z) Calculated for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{20}\text{NOSe}^+$ $[\text{M-Cl}]^+$ 334.0705; Found 334.0704.



5. Supplementary NMR spectra for products

Figure S8. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of compound 2a.

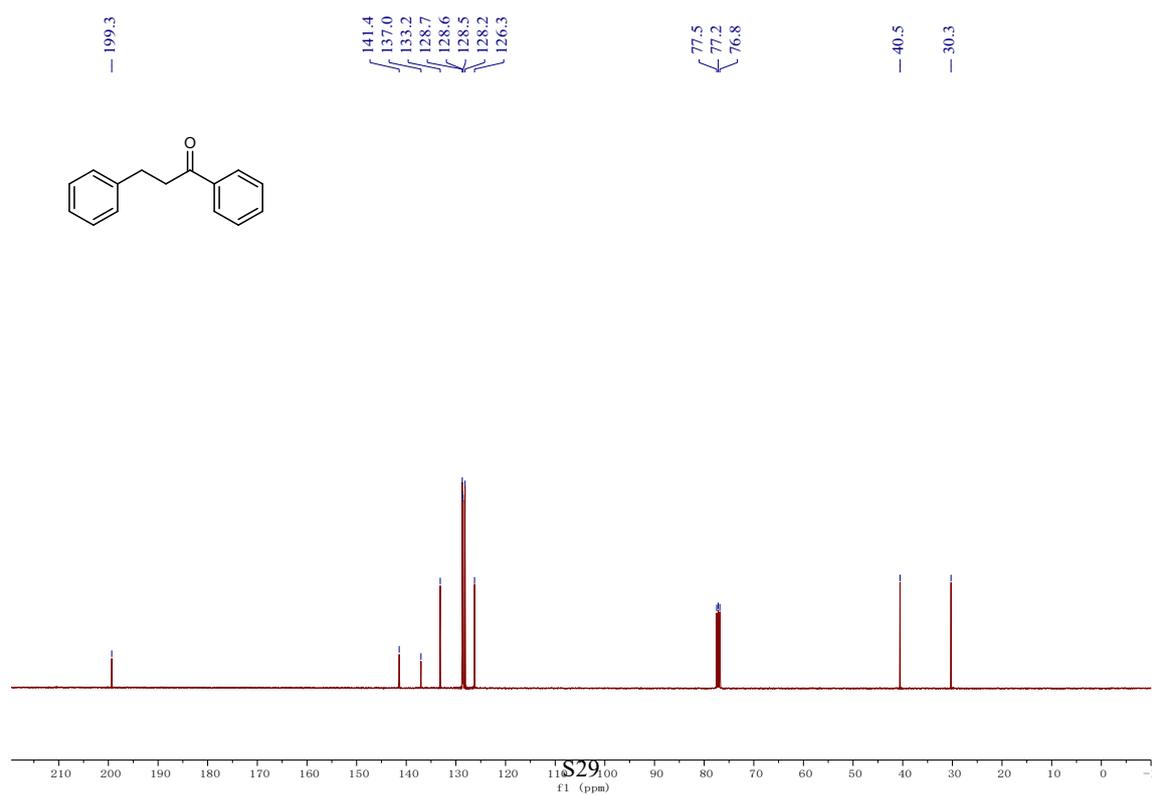


Figure S9. ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) spectrum of compound 2a.

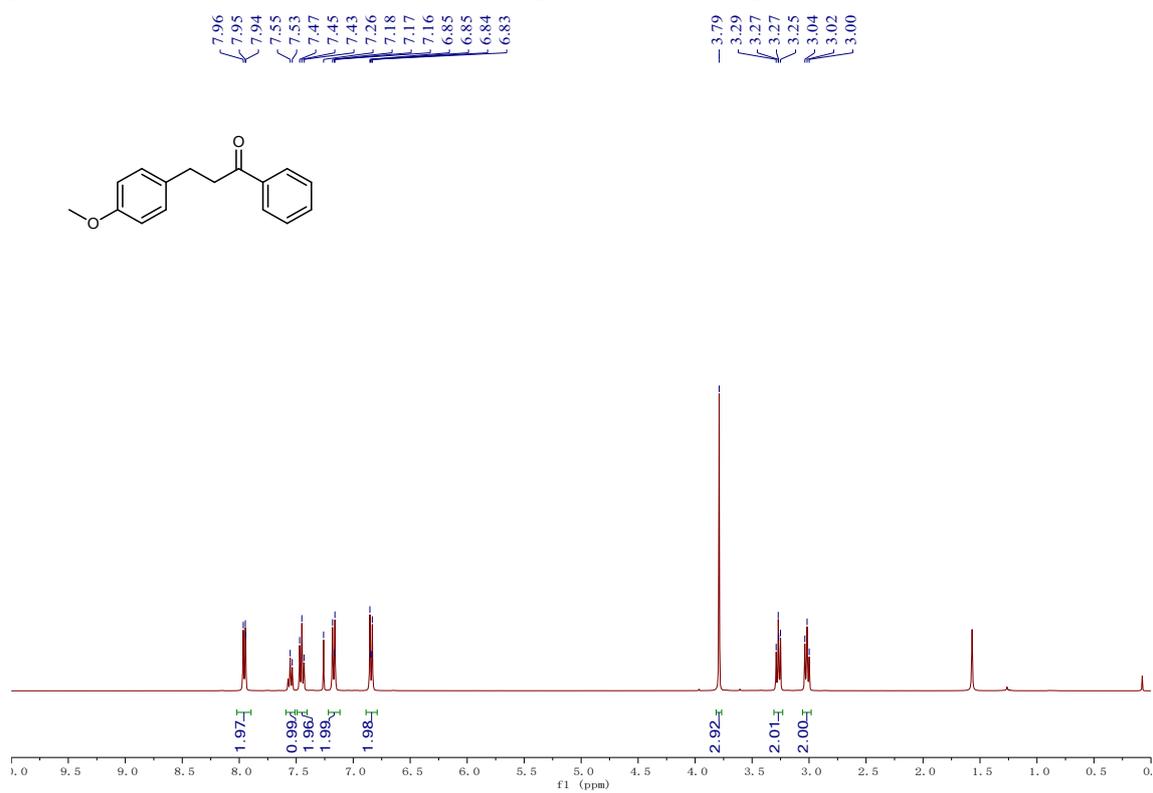


Figure S10. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) spectrum of compound 2b.

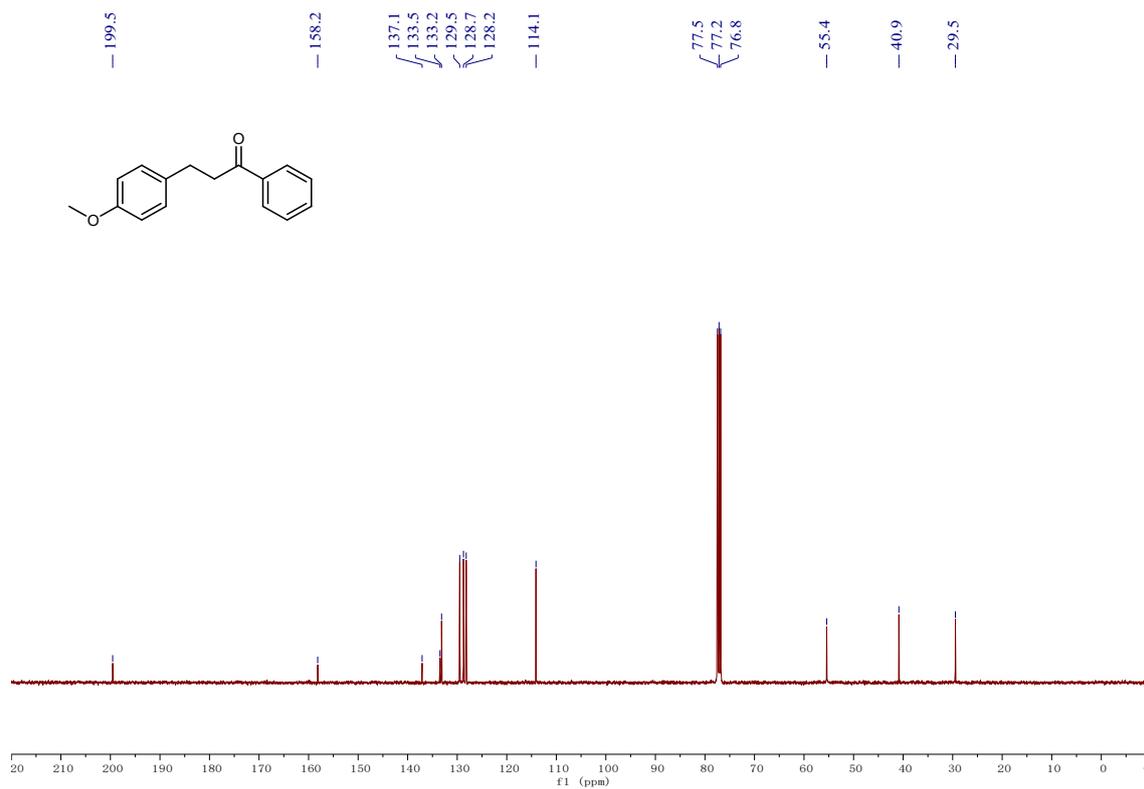


Figure S11. ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of compound 2b.

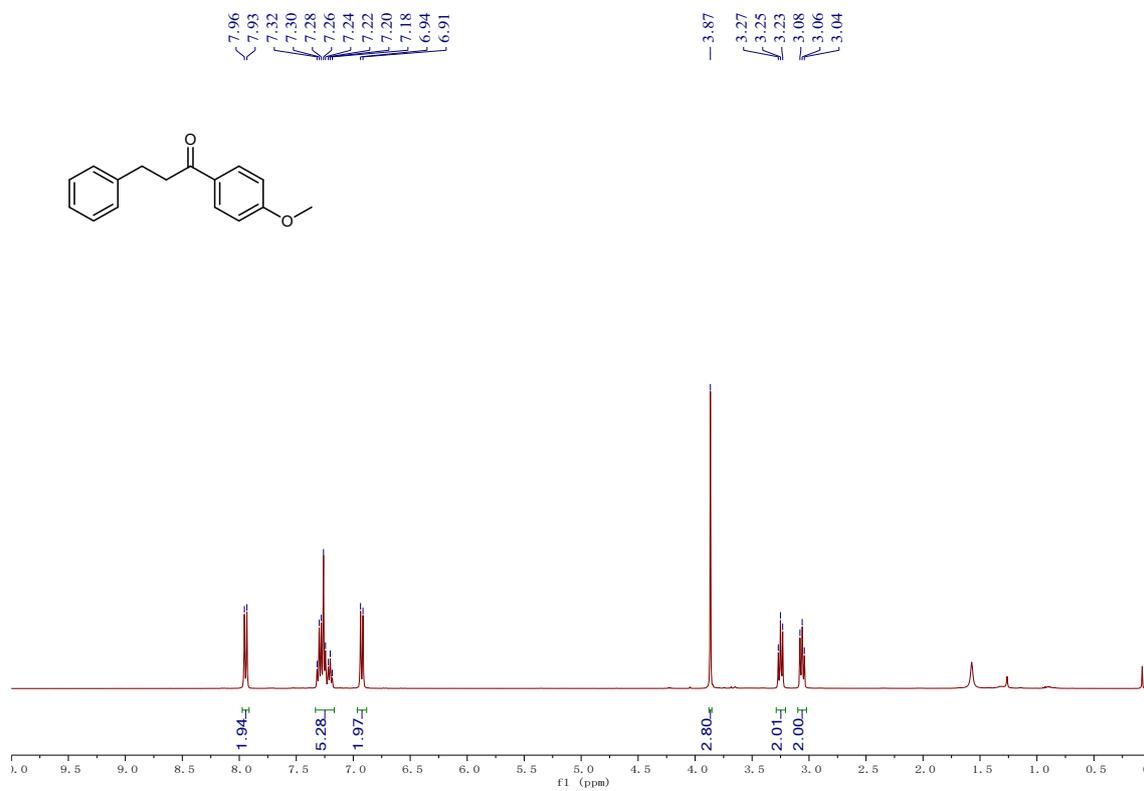


Figure S12. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of compound 2c.

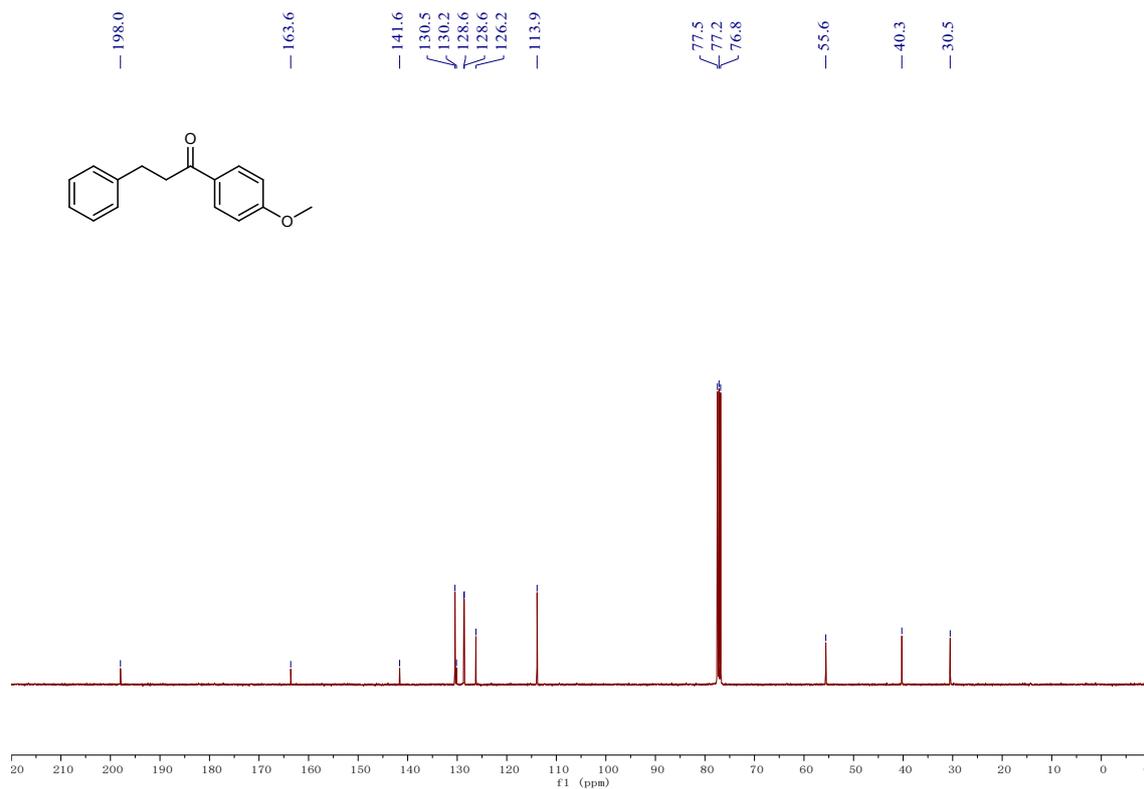


Figure S13. ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of compound 2c.

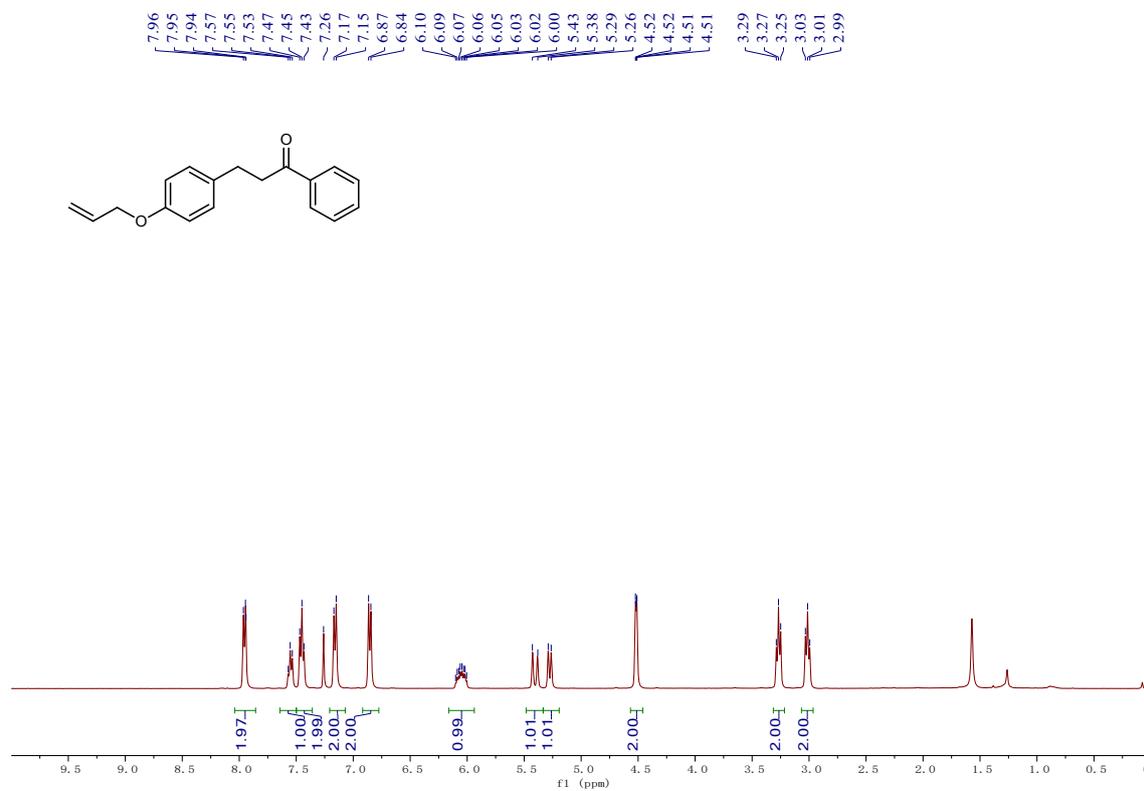


Figure S14. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of compound 2d.

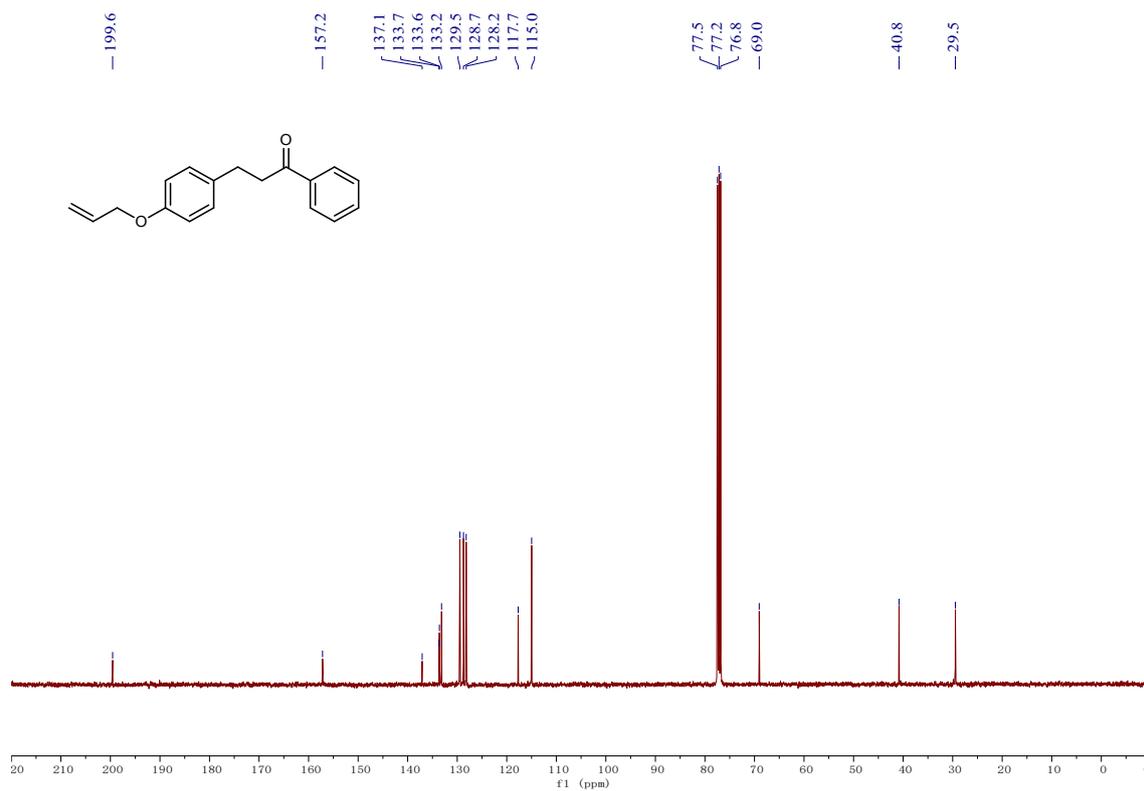


Figure S15. ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) spectrum of compound 2d.



Figure S16. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) spectrum of compound 2e.

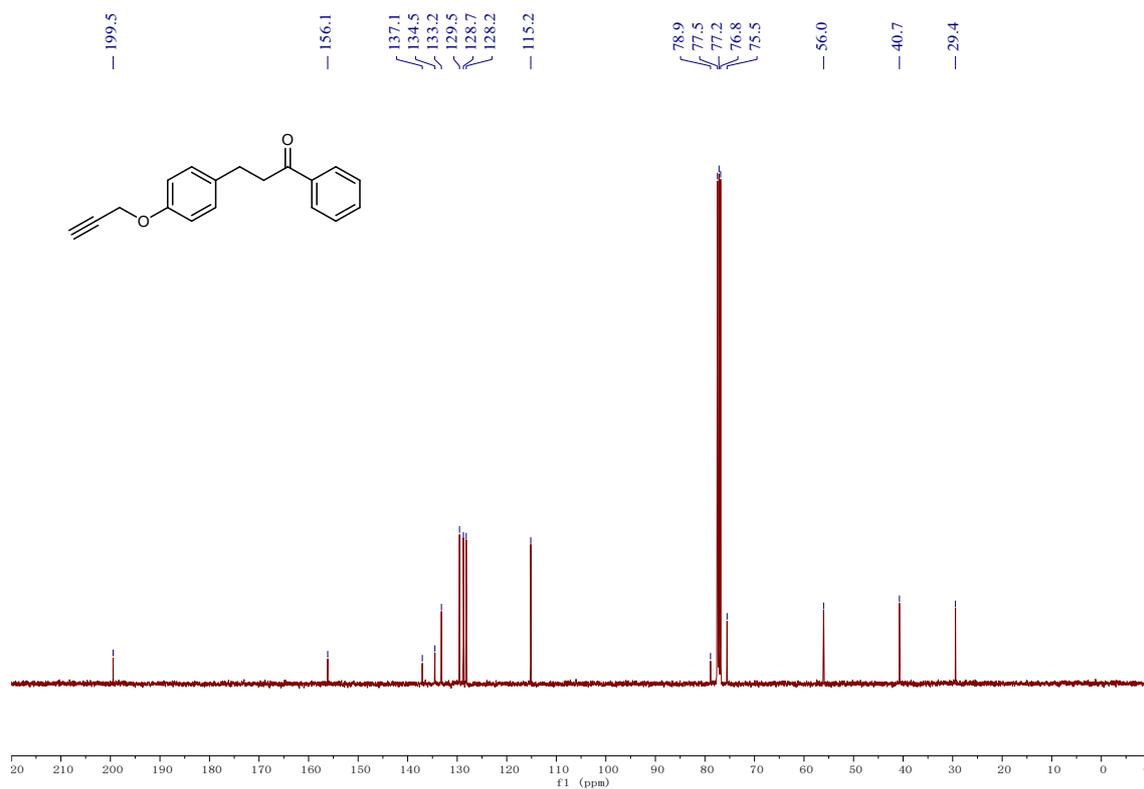


Figure S17. ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of compound 2e.

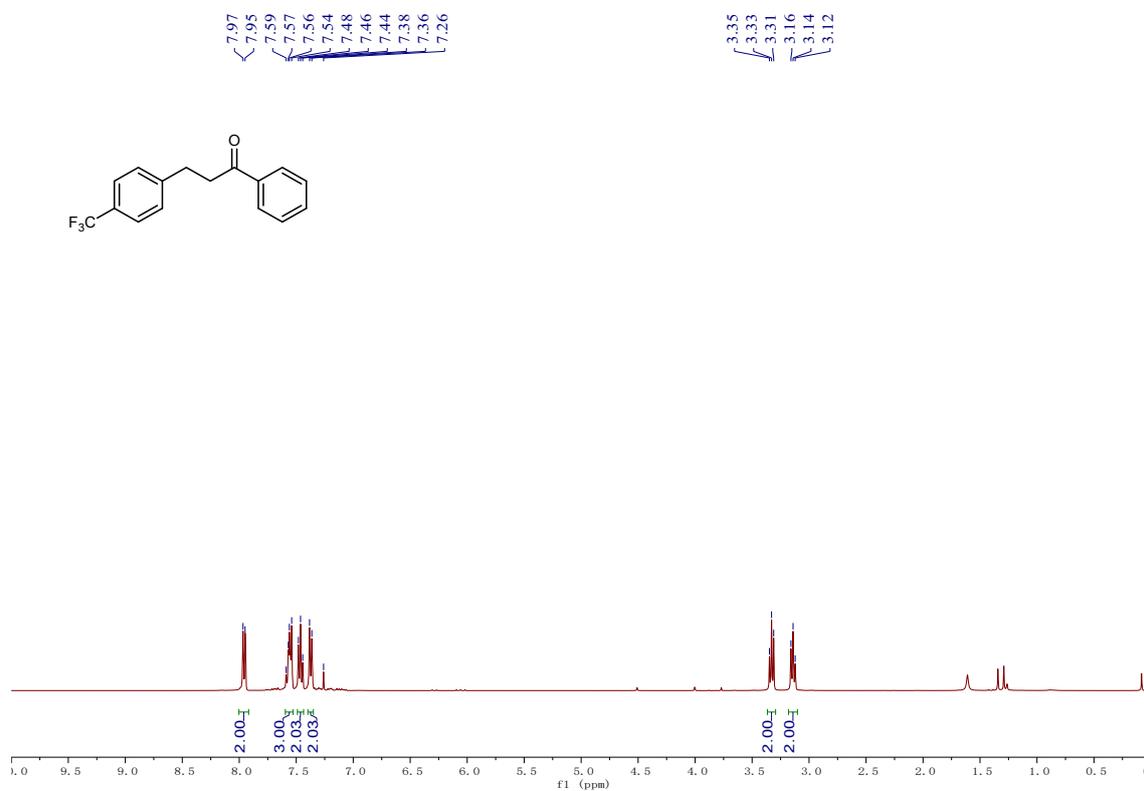


Figure S18. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of compound 2f.

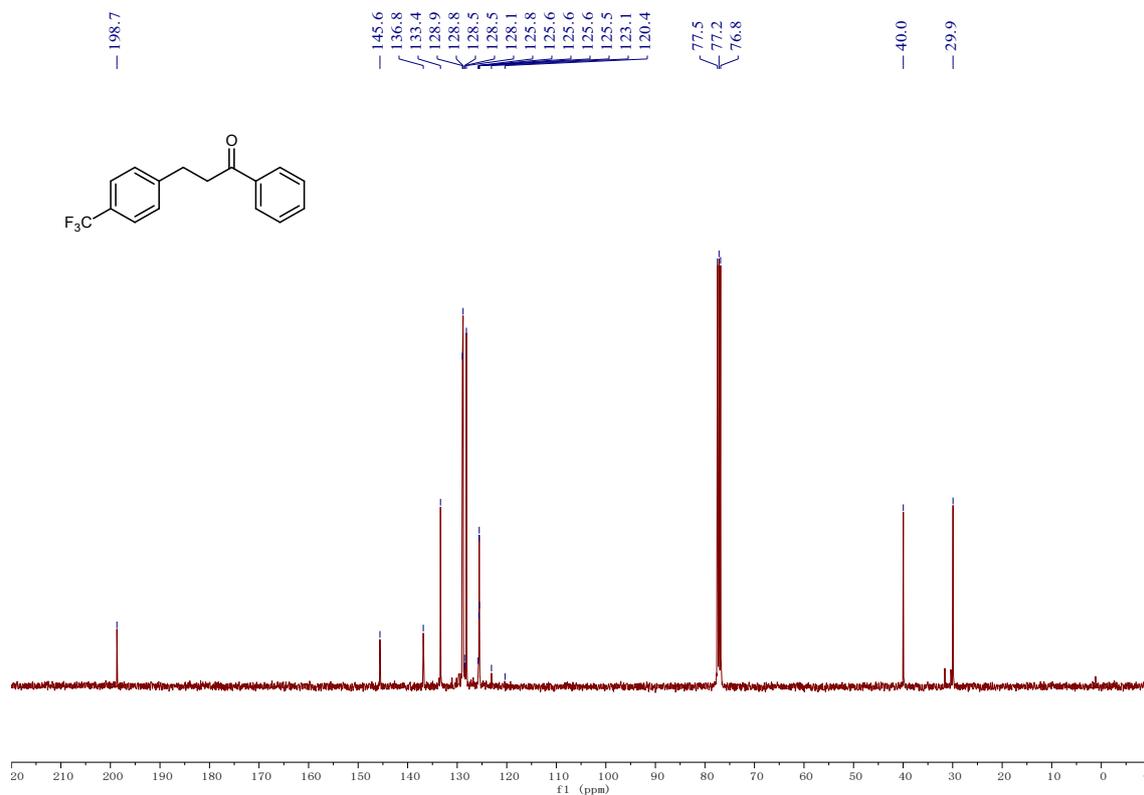


Figure S19. ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of compound 2f.

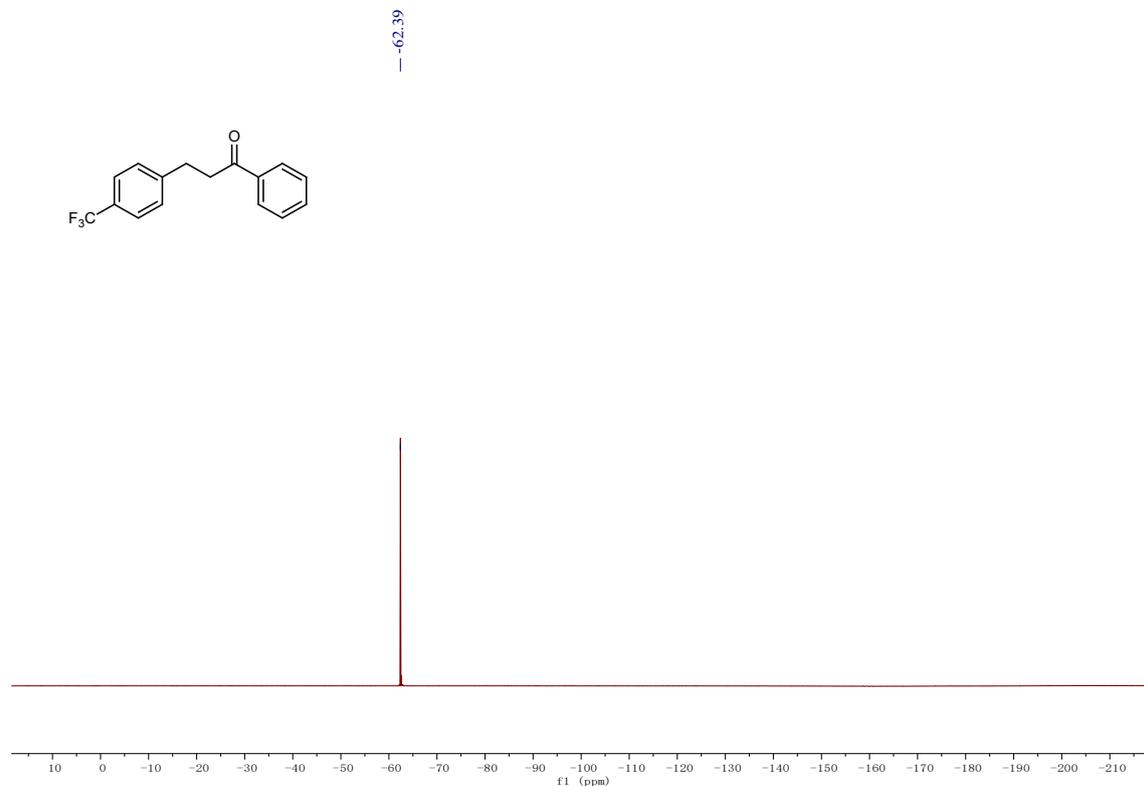


Figure S20. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of compound 2f.

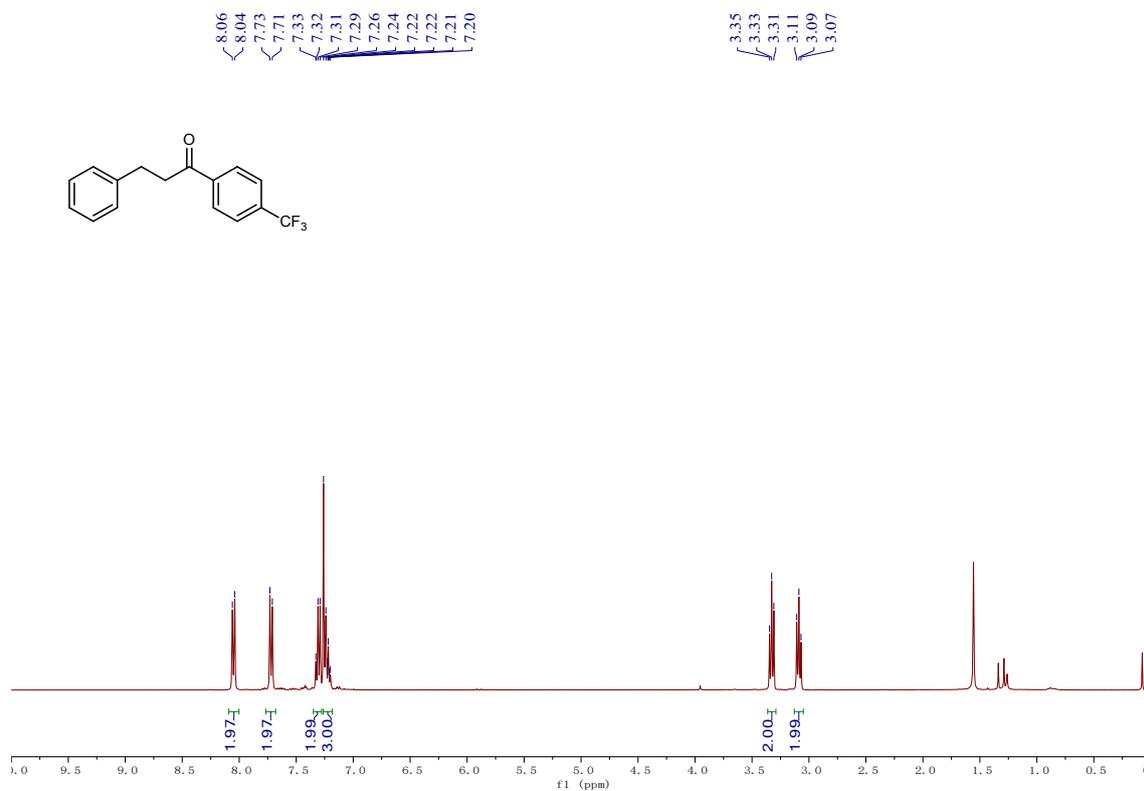


Figure S21. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of compound 2g.

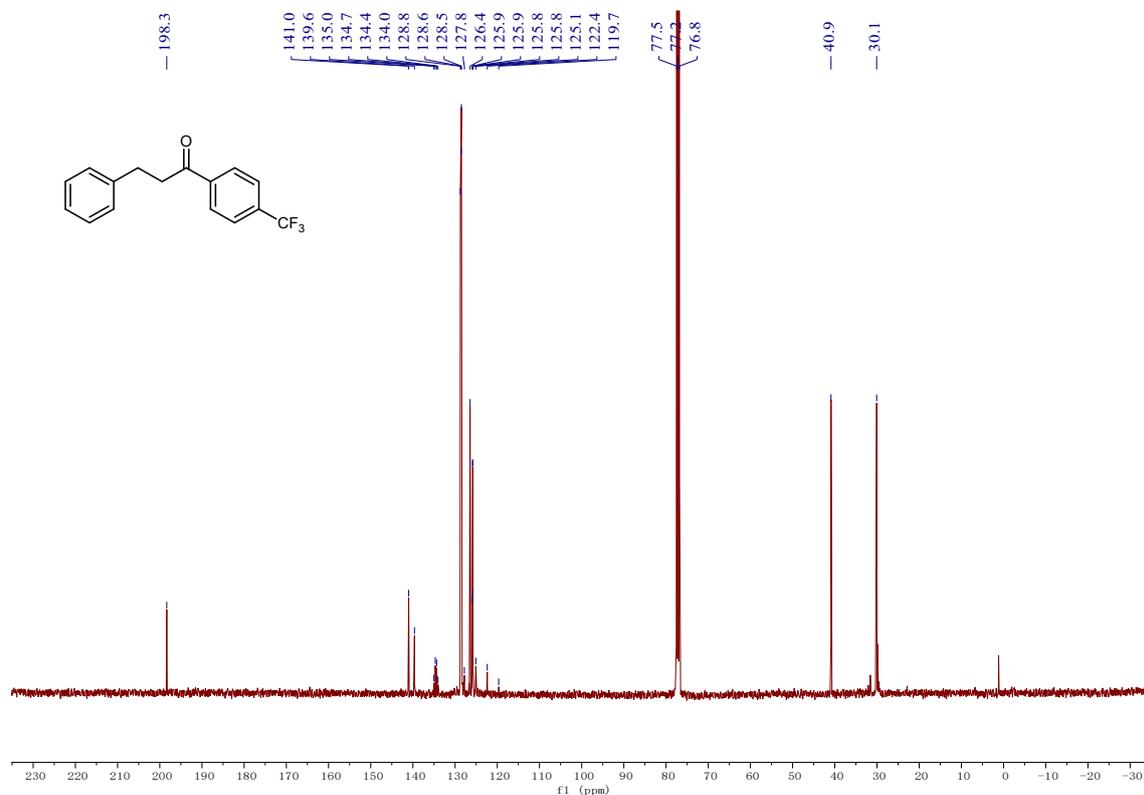


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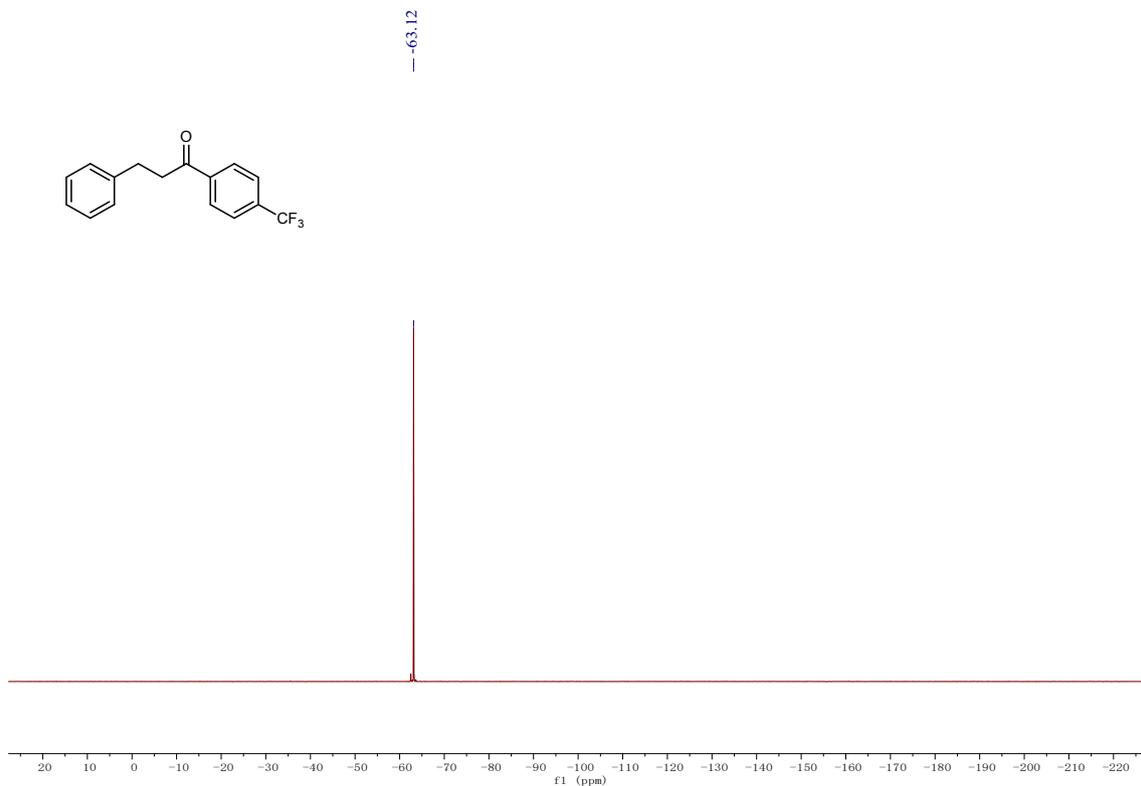


Figure S23. ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3) spectrum of compound 2g.

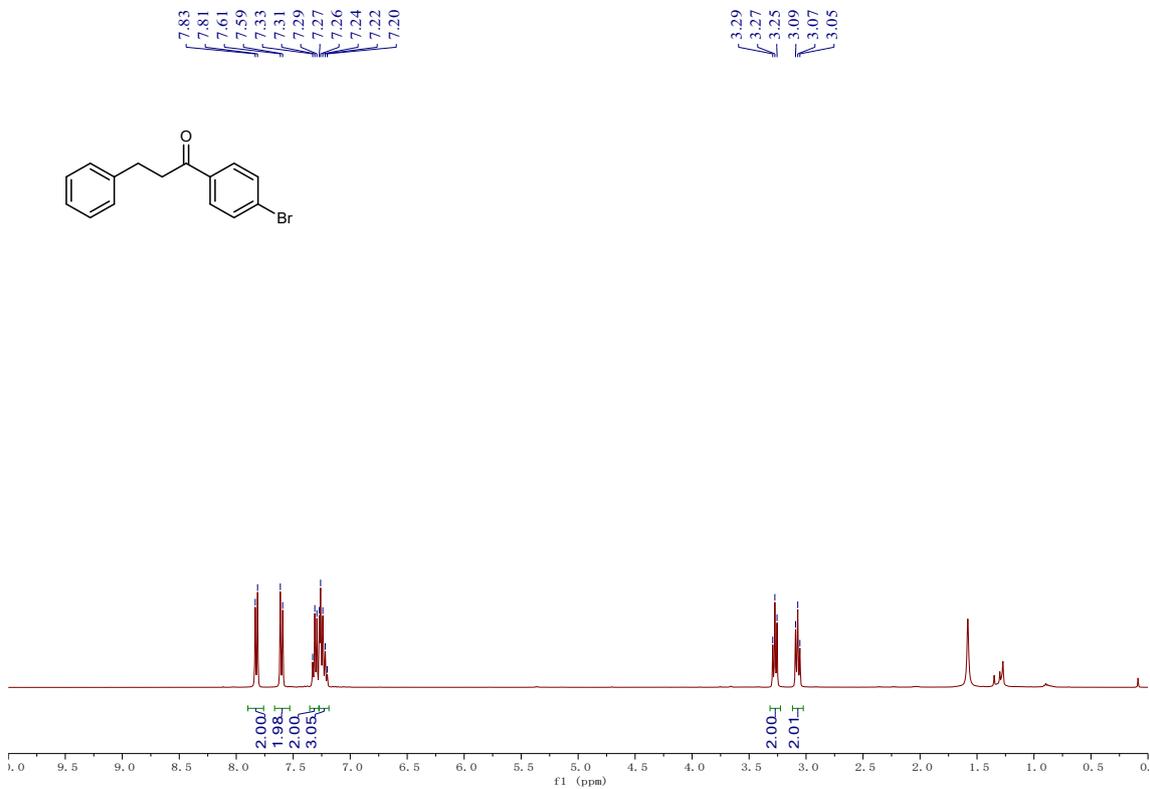


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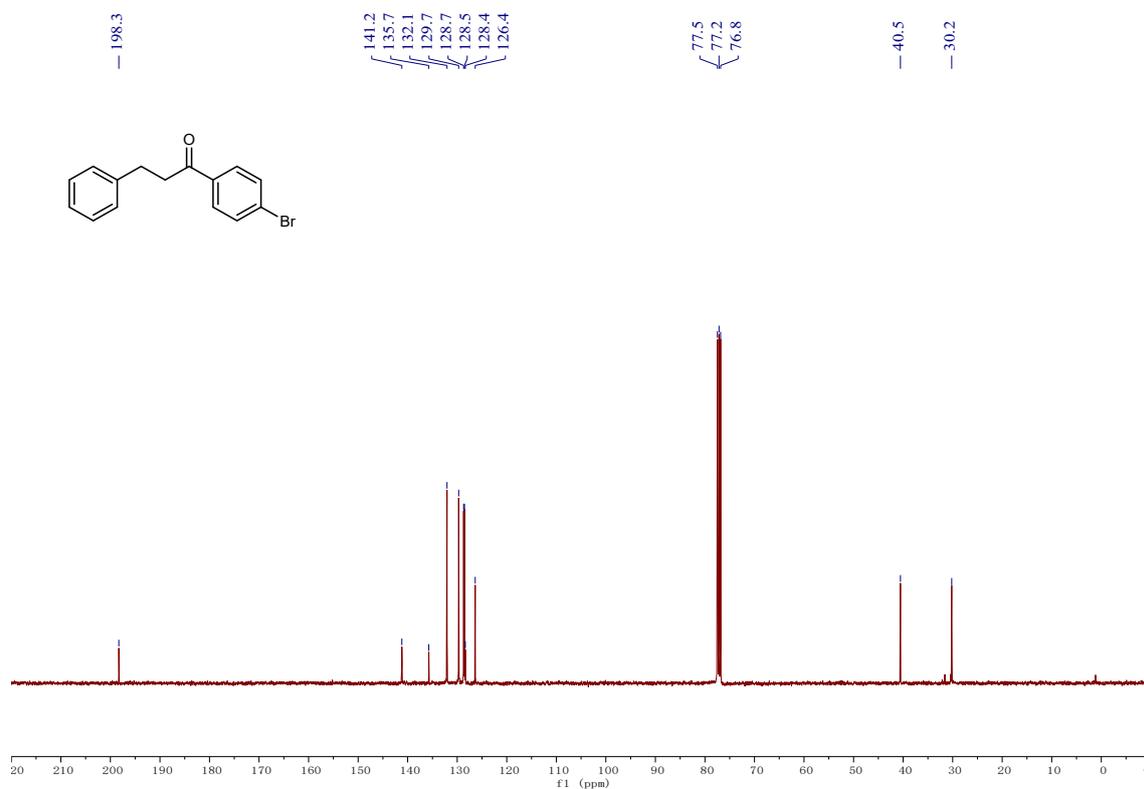


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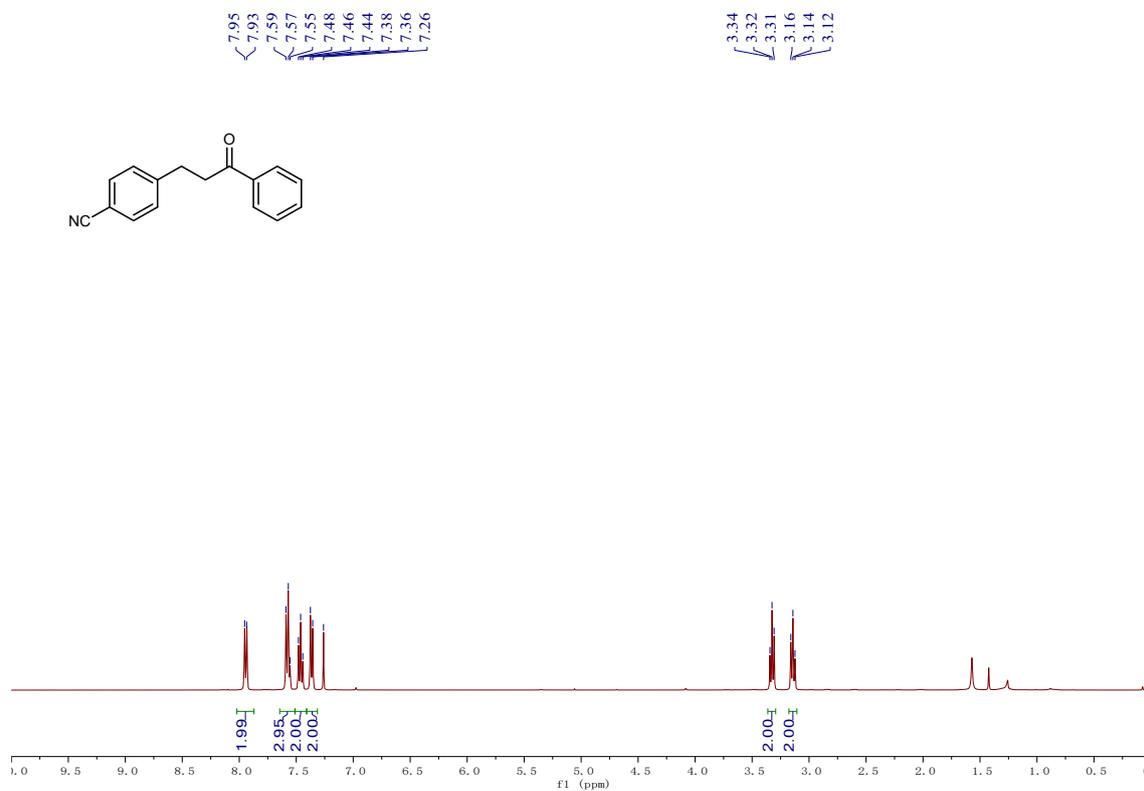


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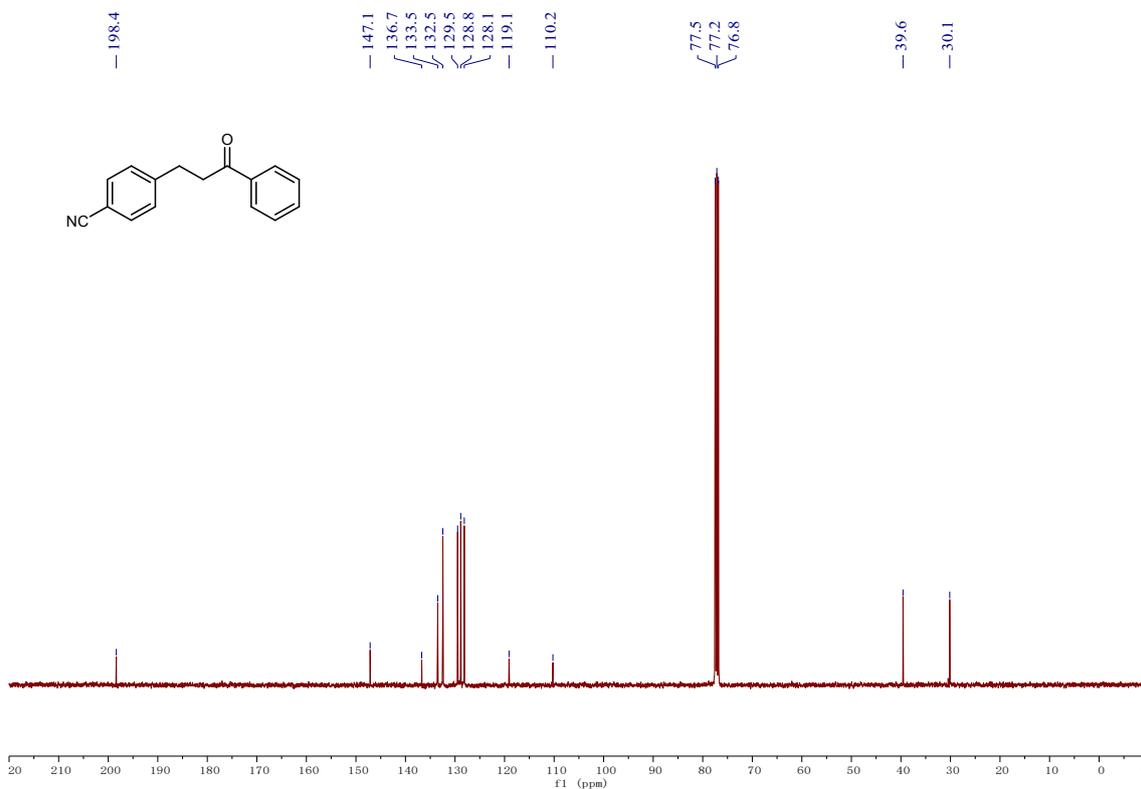


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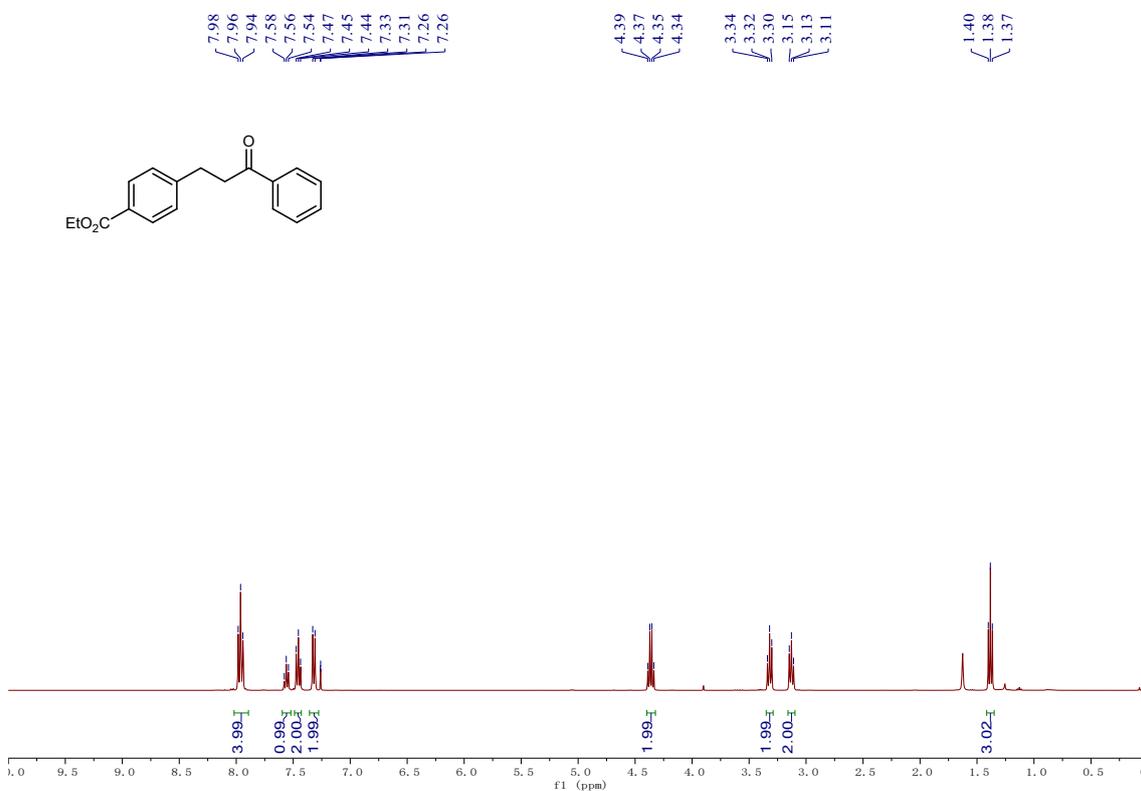


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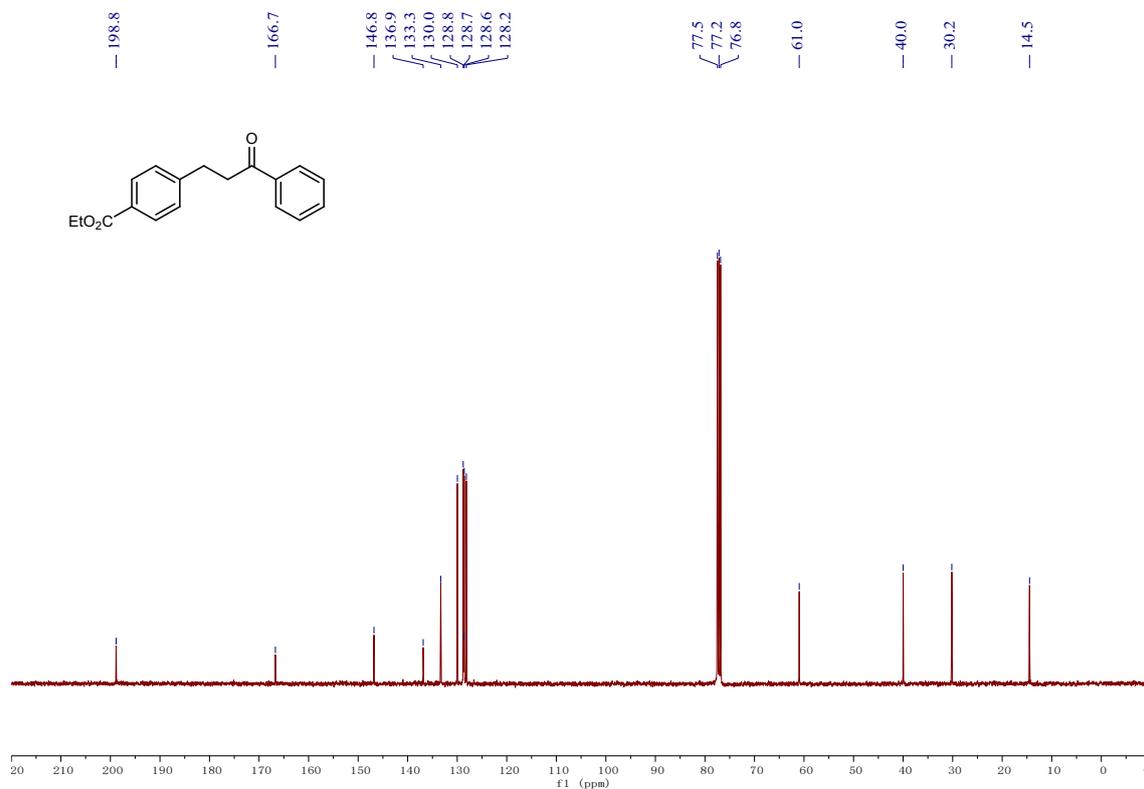


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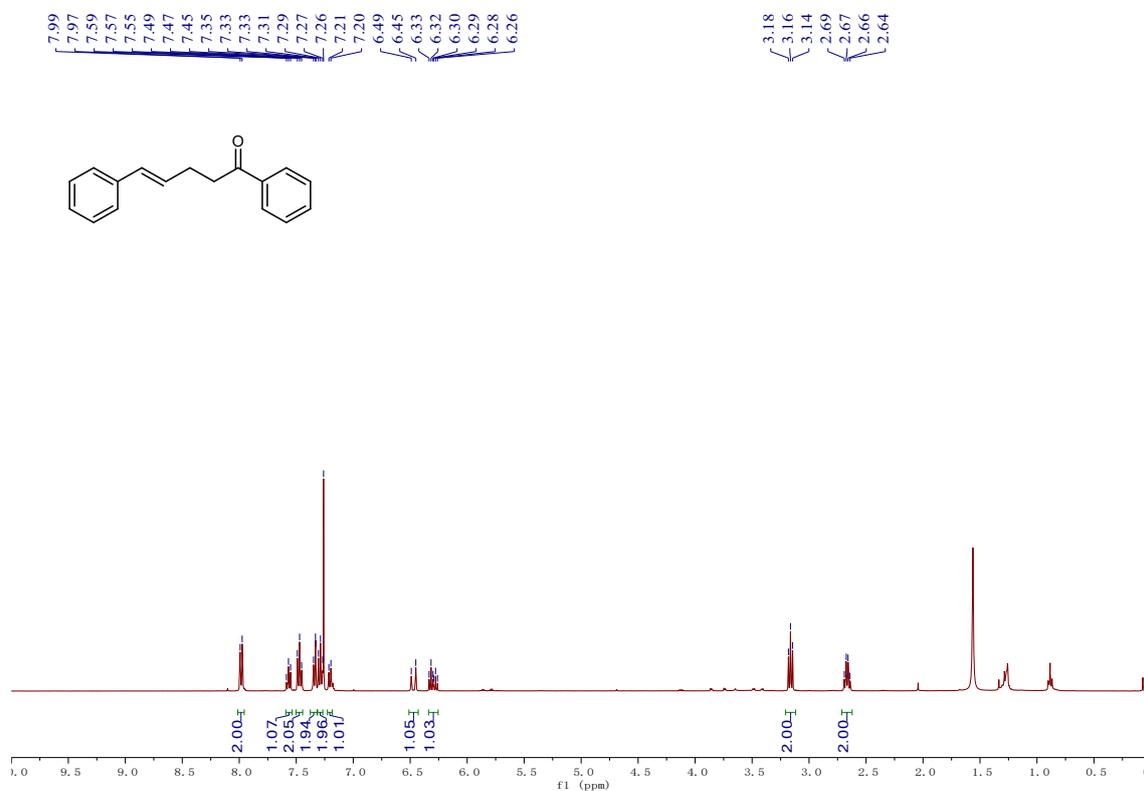


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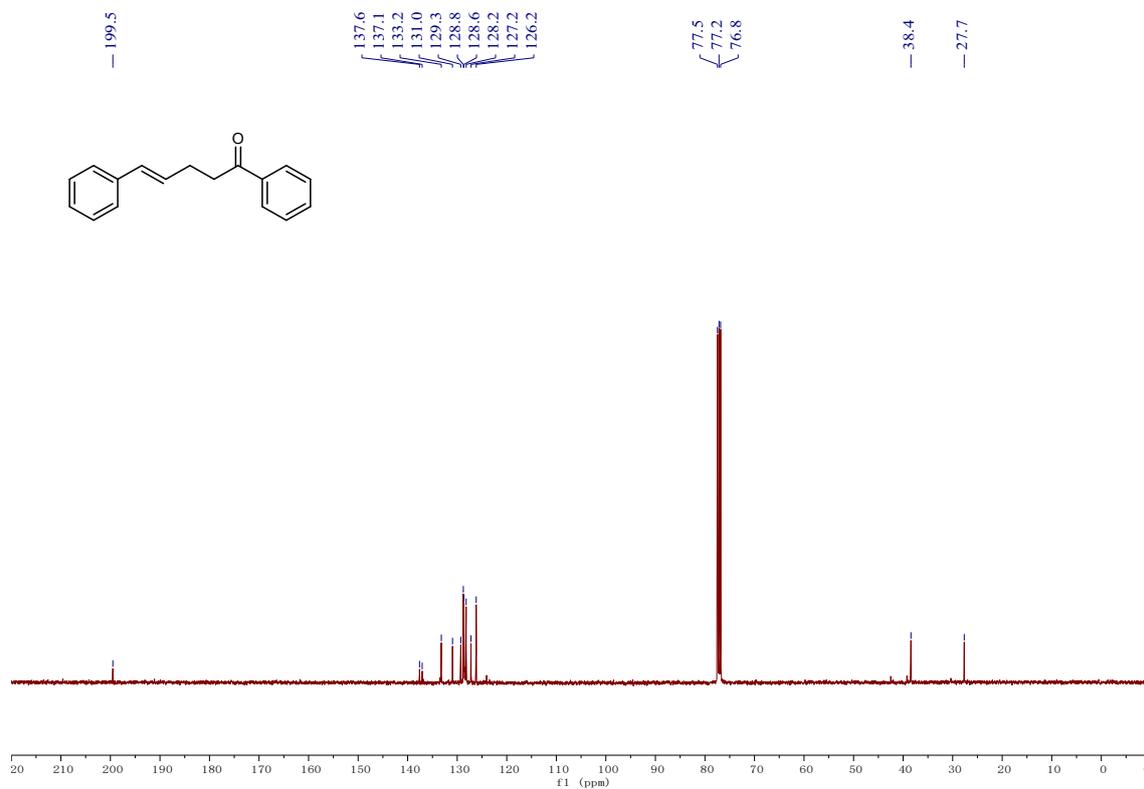


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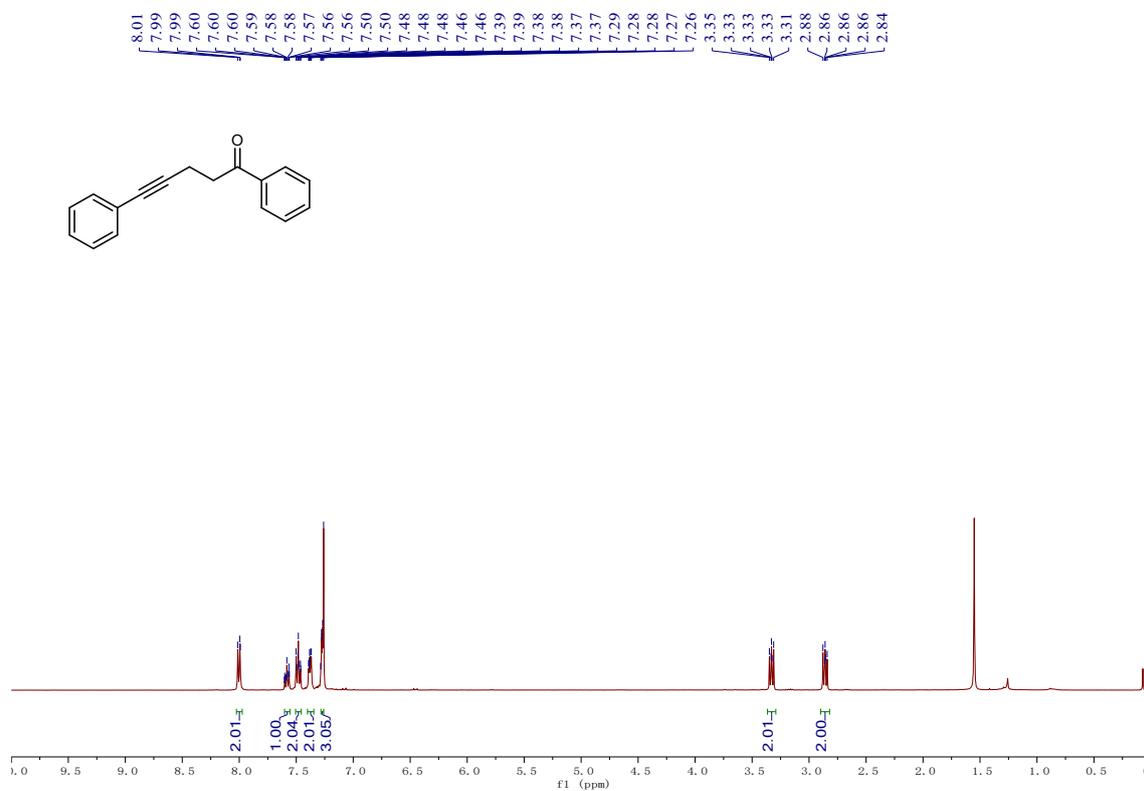


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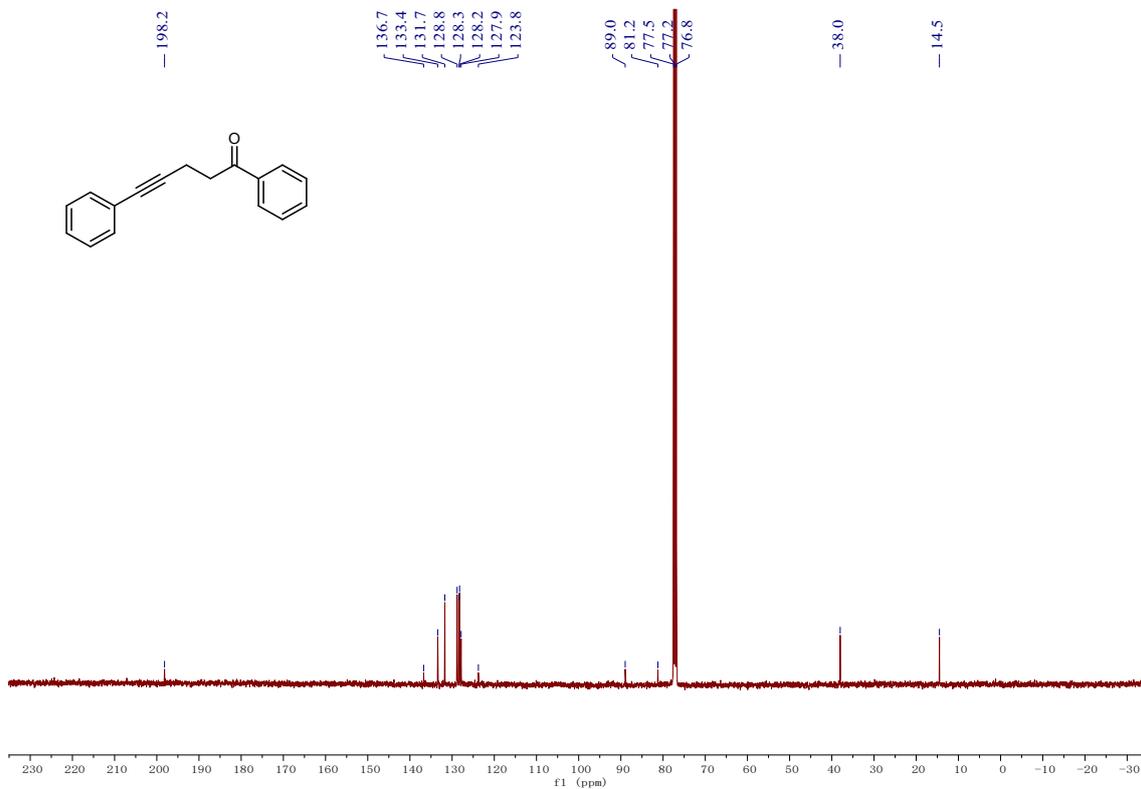


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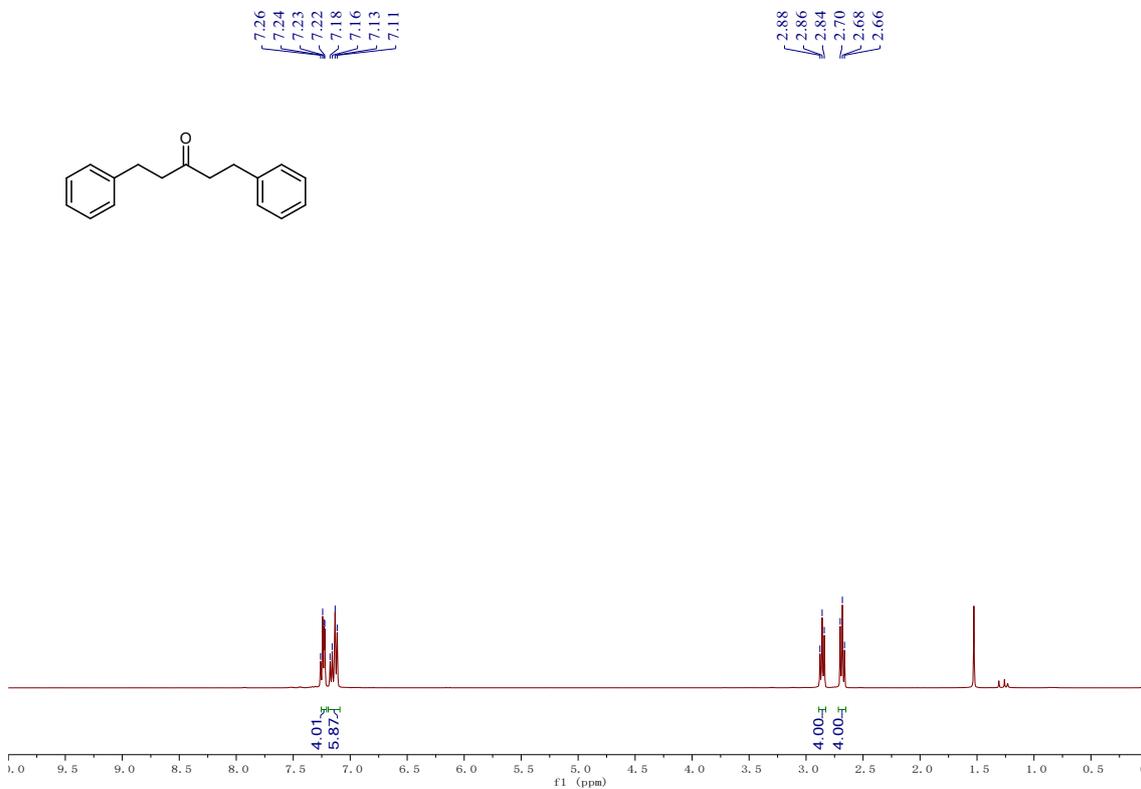


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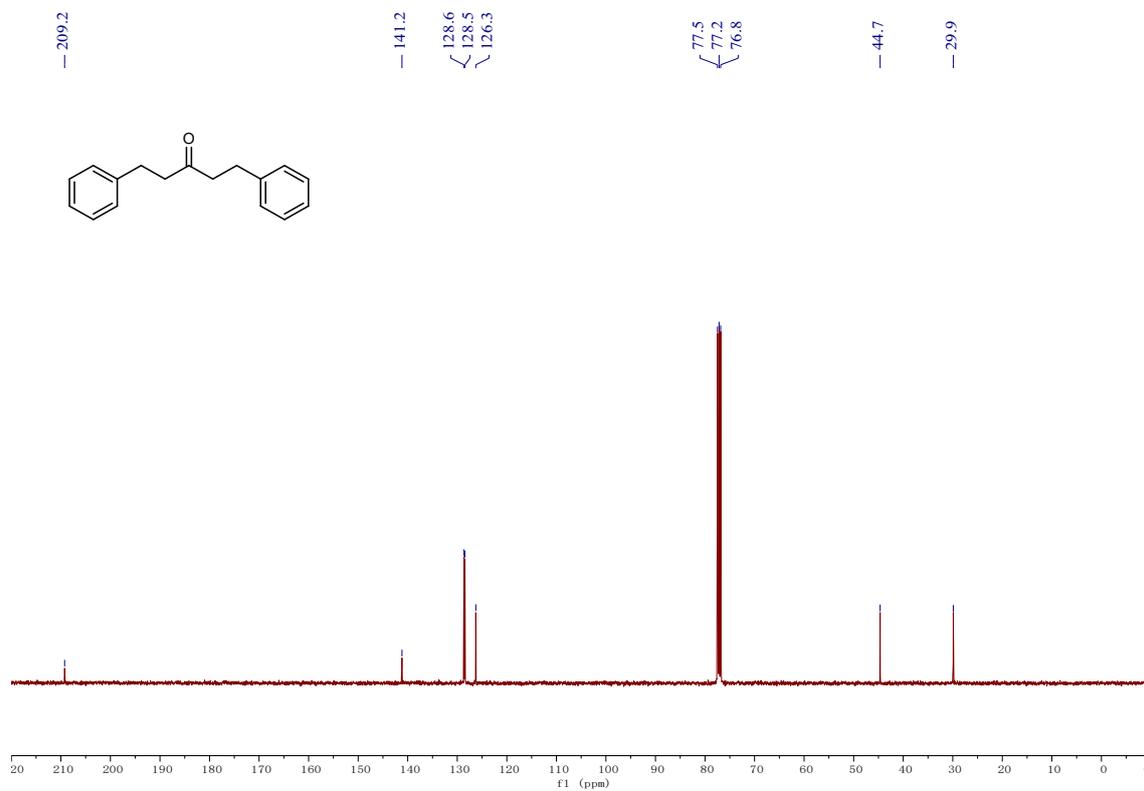


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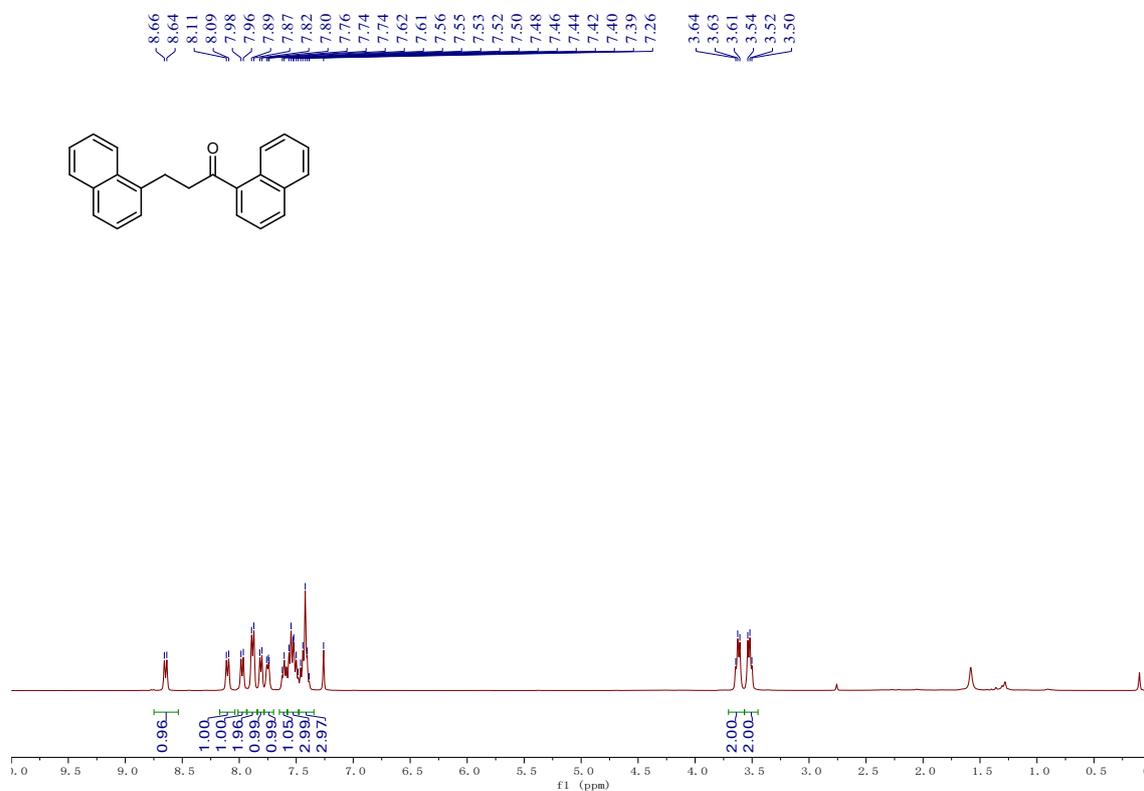


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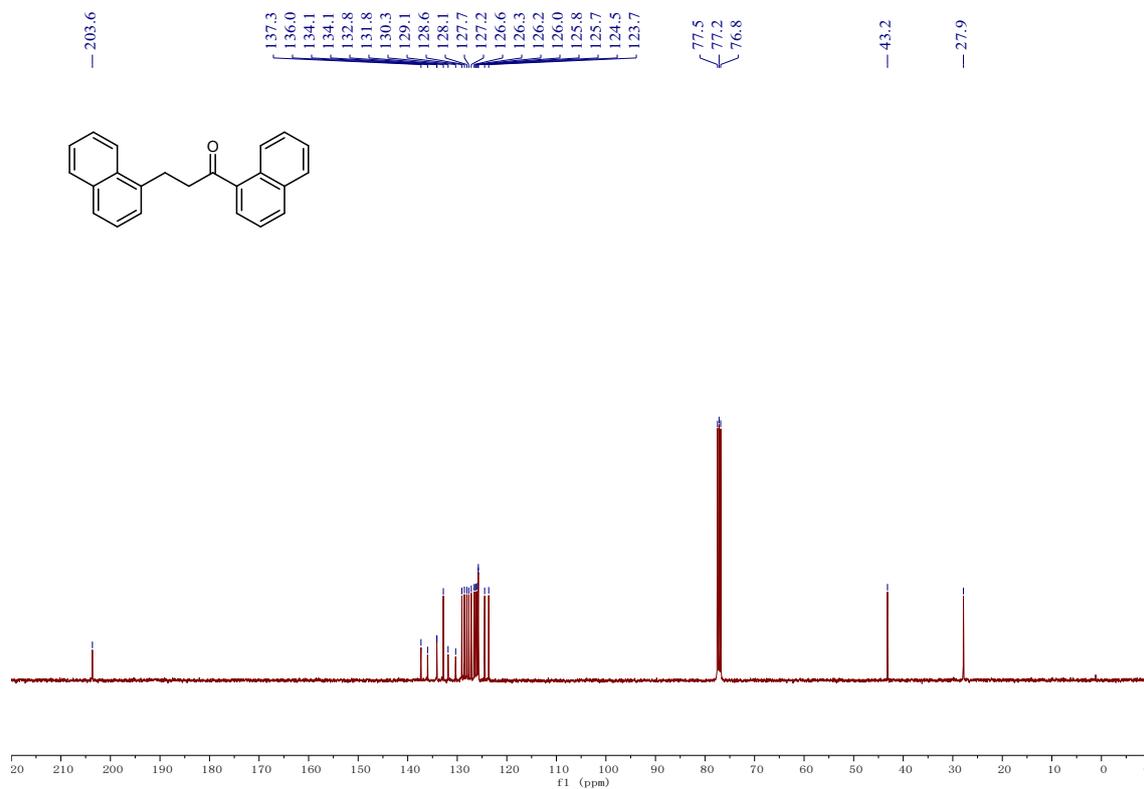


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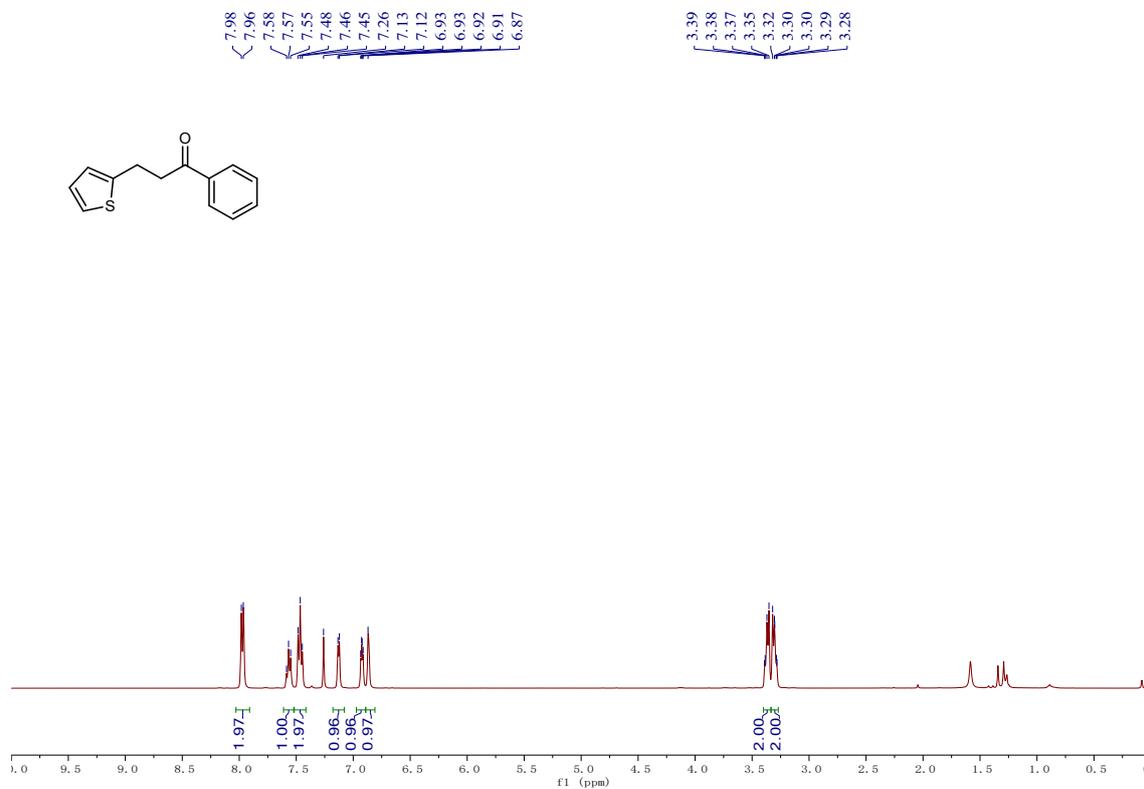


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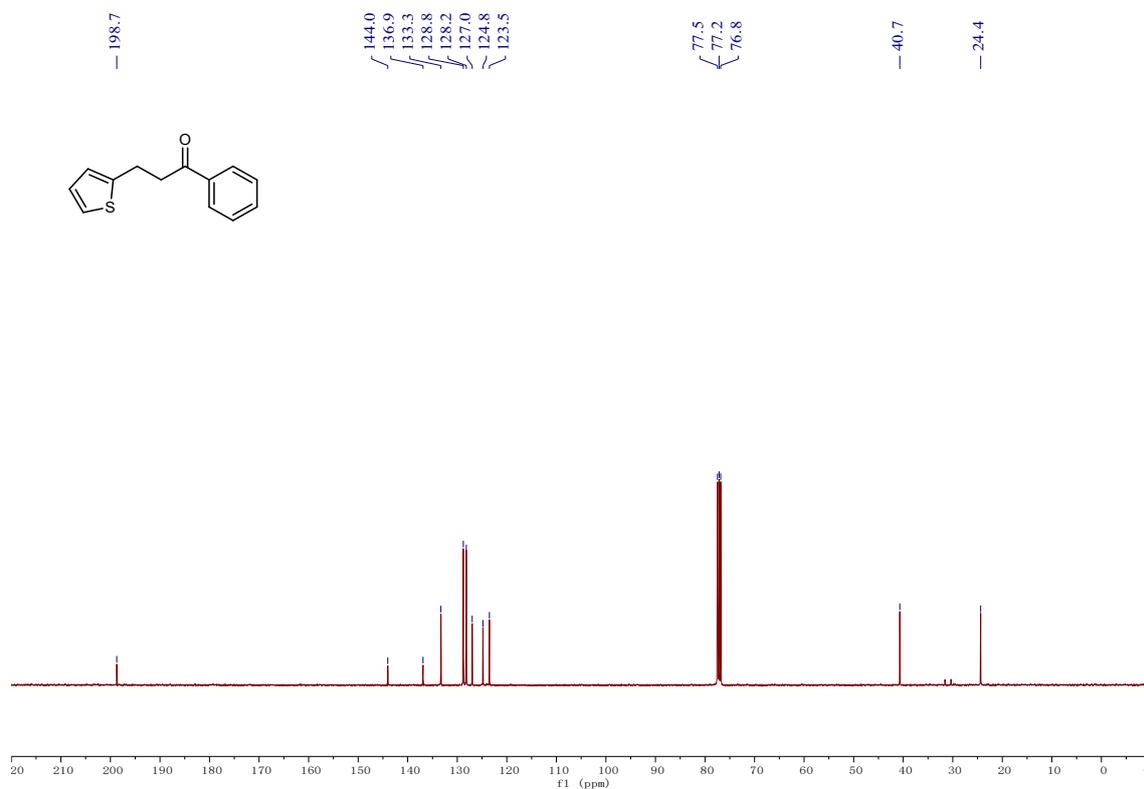


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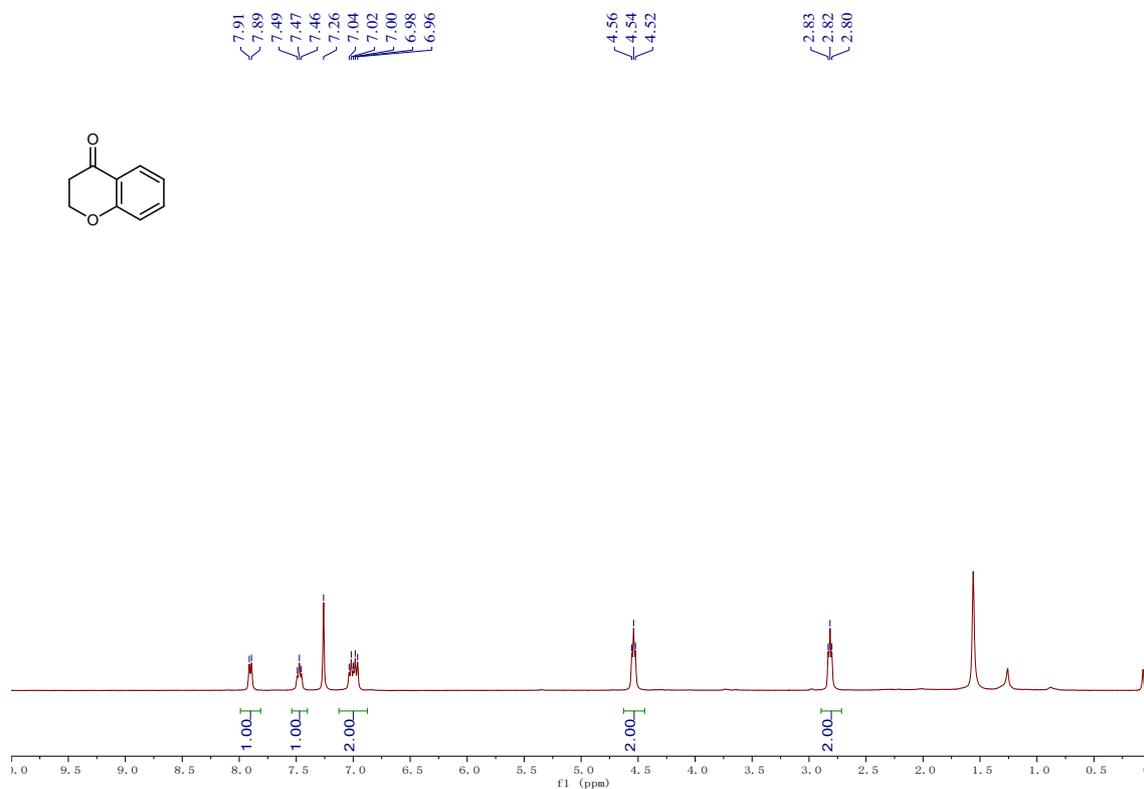


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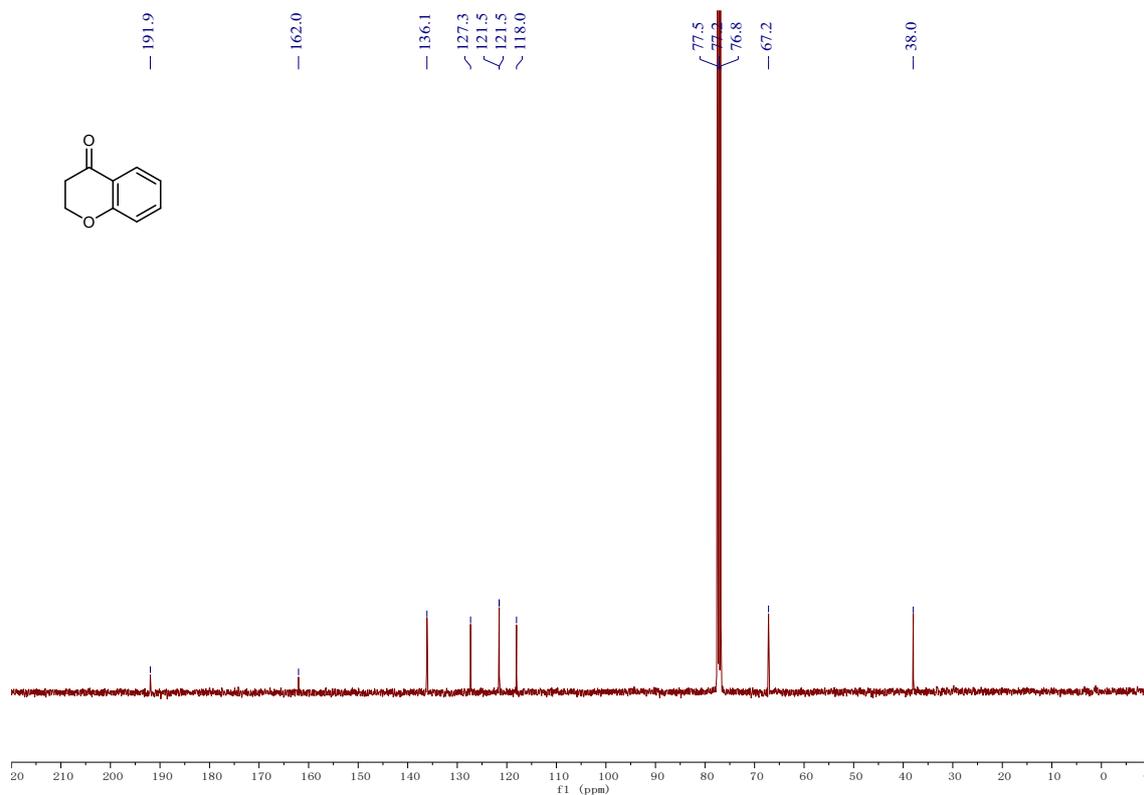


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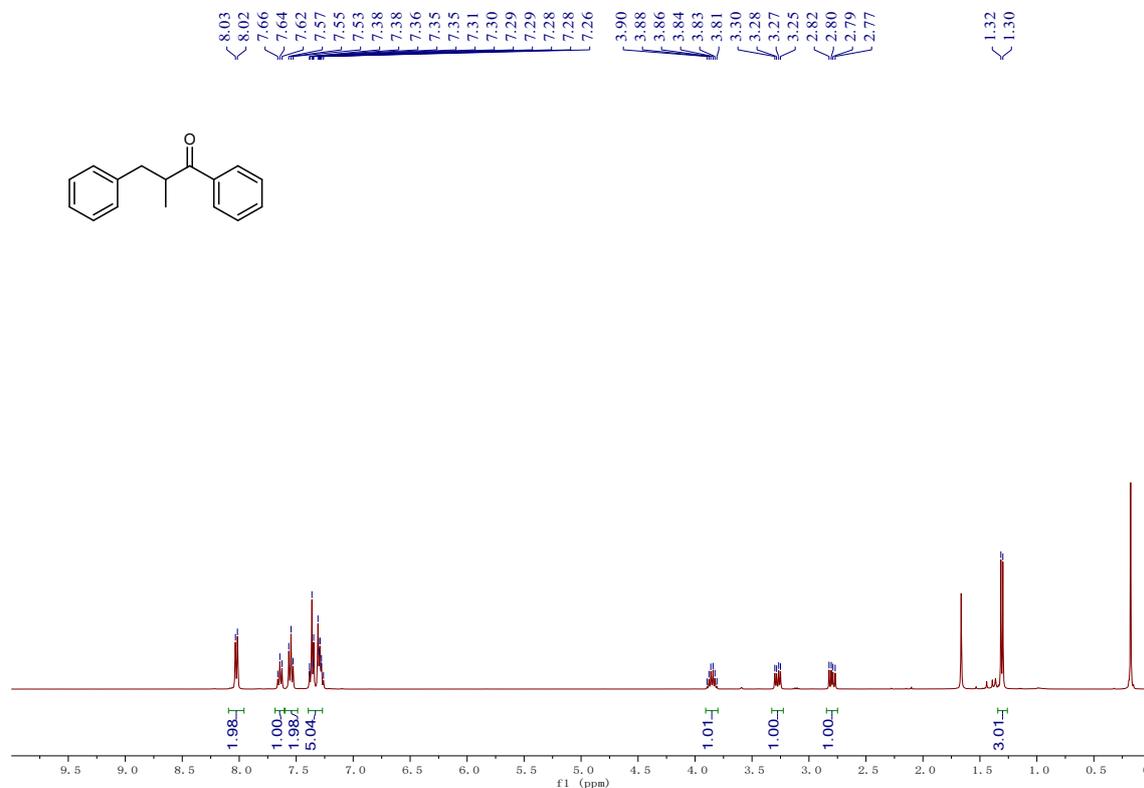


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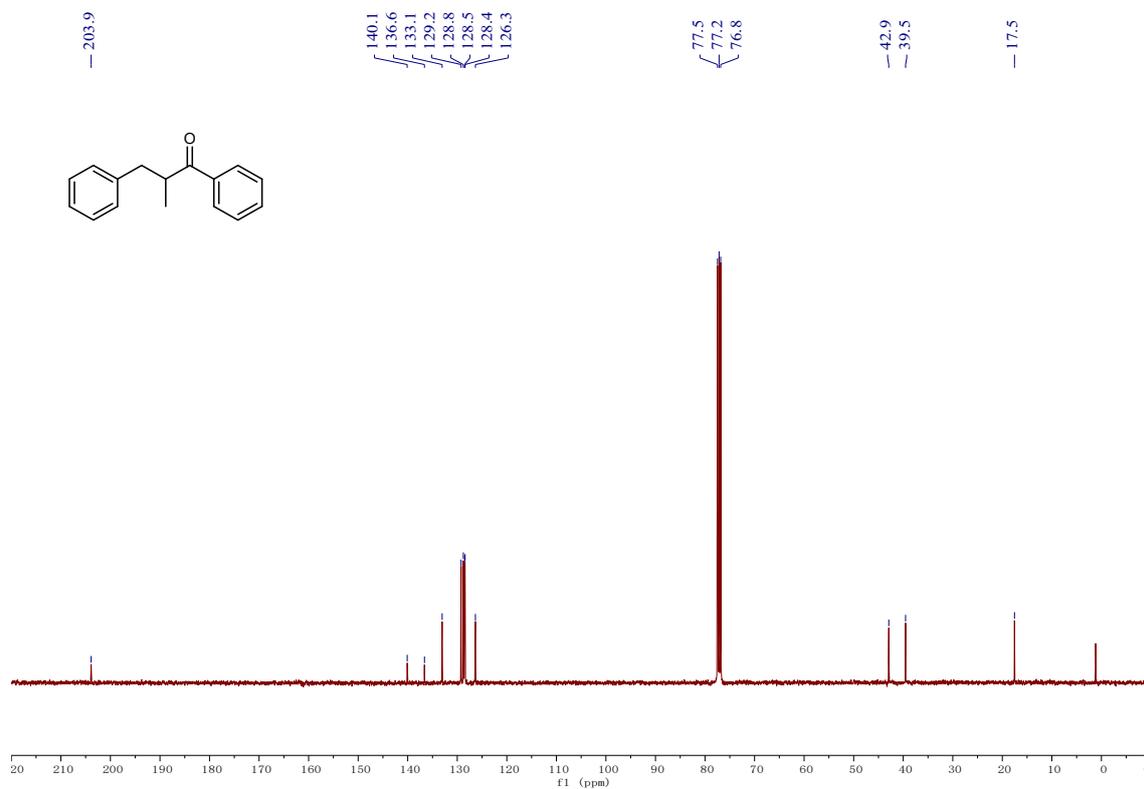


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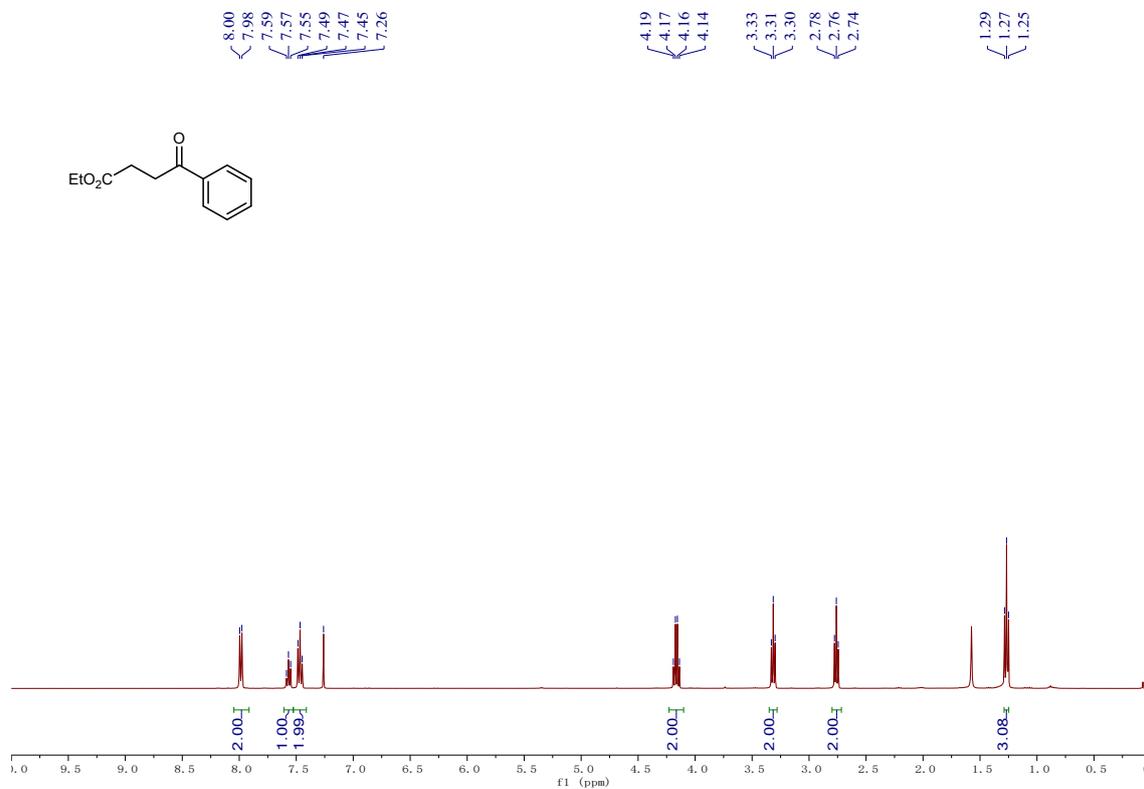


Figure S44. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of compound 2r.

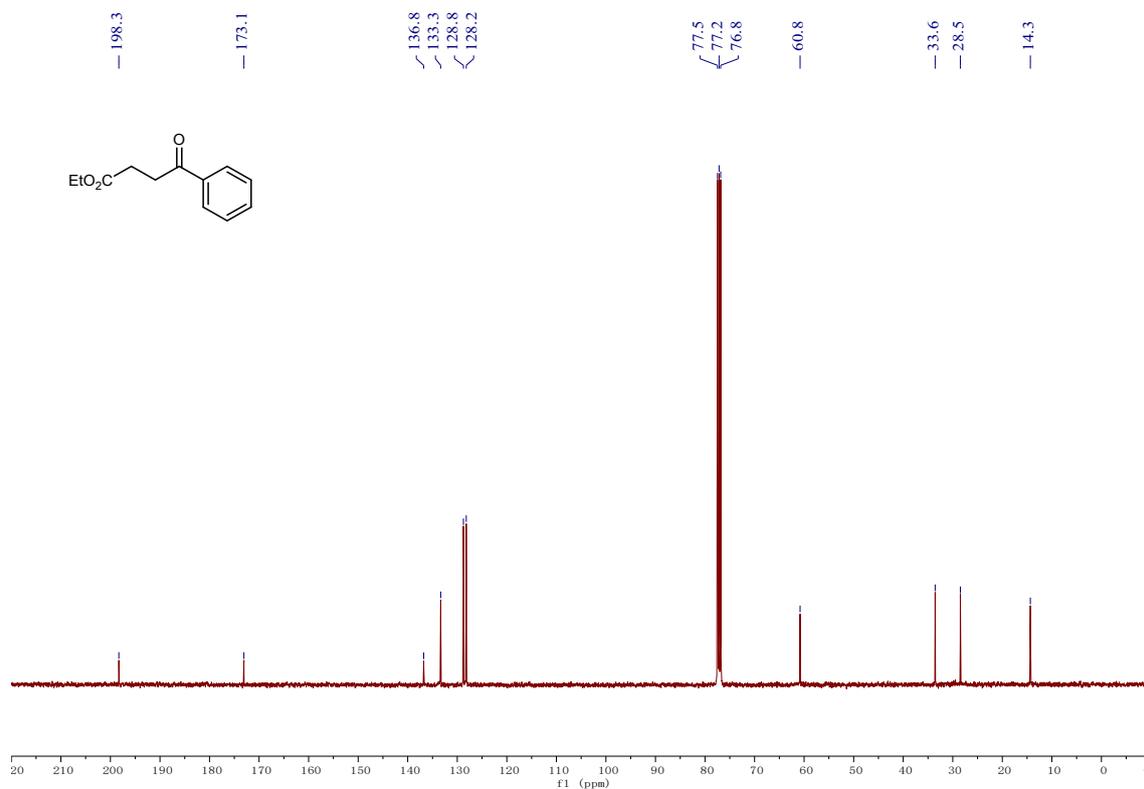


Figure S45. ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of compound 2r.

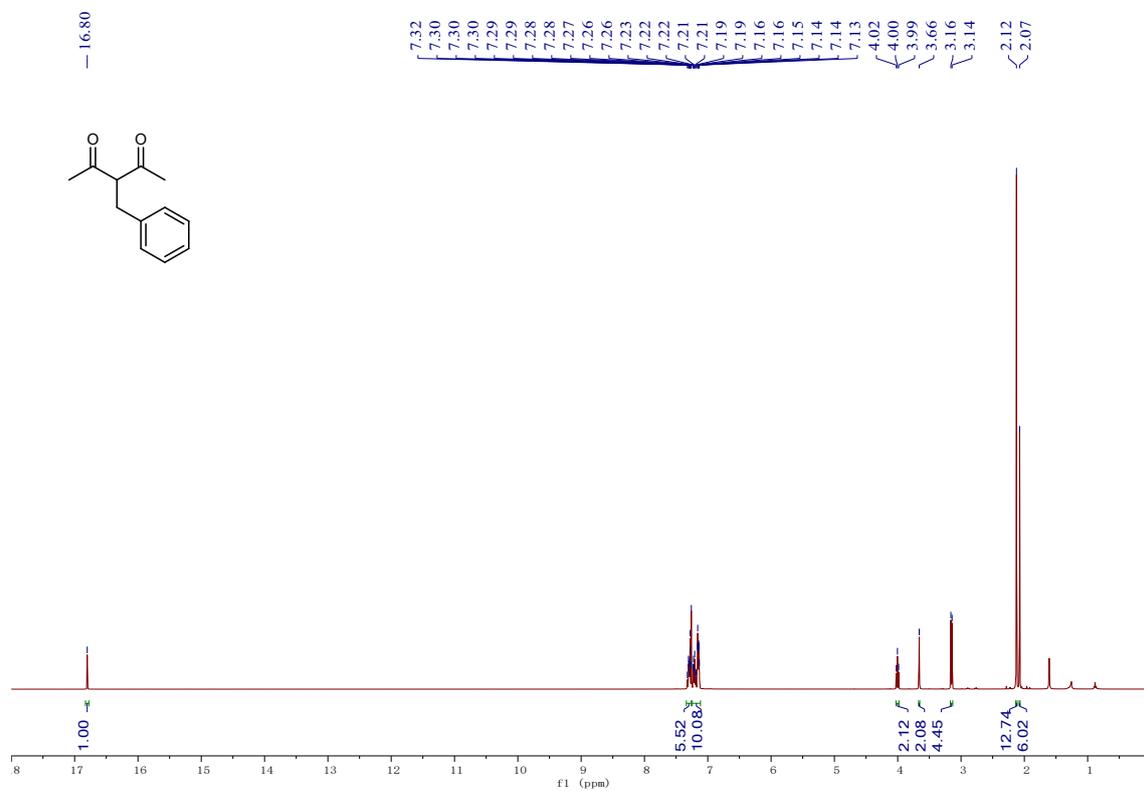


Figure S46. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of compound 2s.

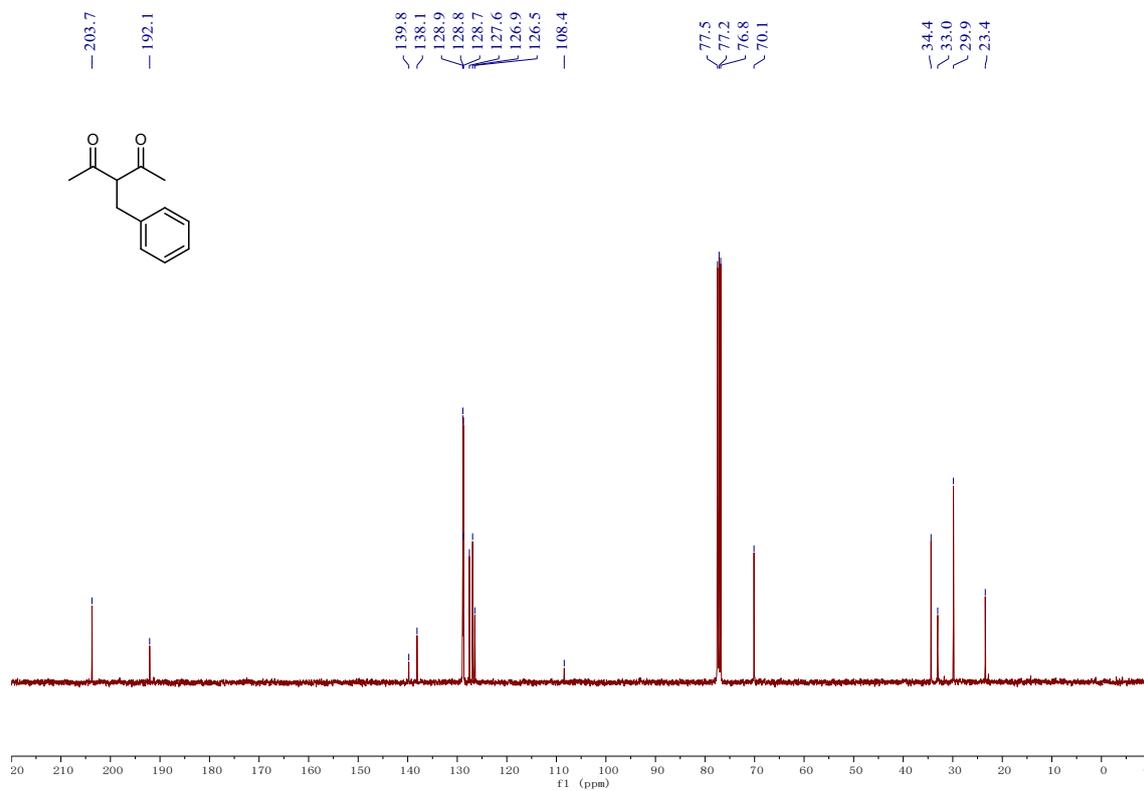


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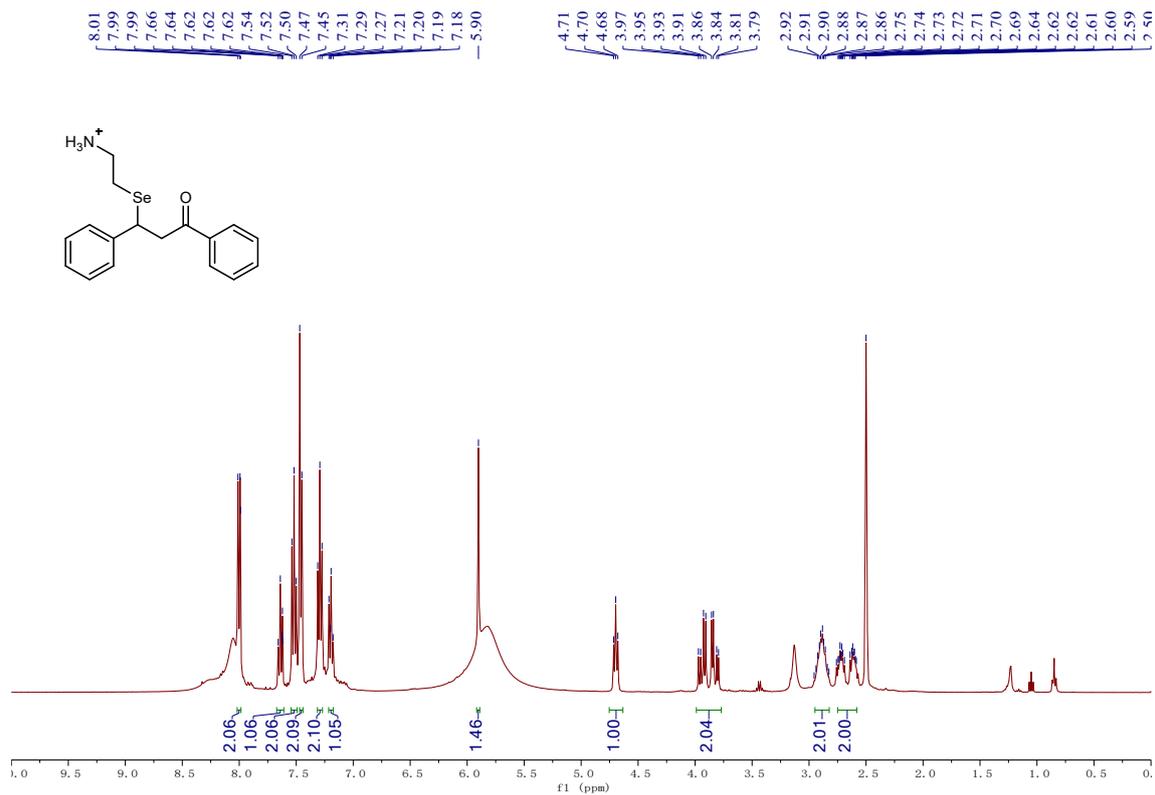


Figure S48. The ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) spectrum of the solid residues of chalcone substrate obtained after 16-h dark reactions when DSEACl₂ is used in stoichiometric amounts.

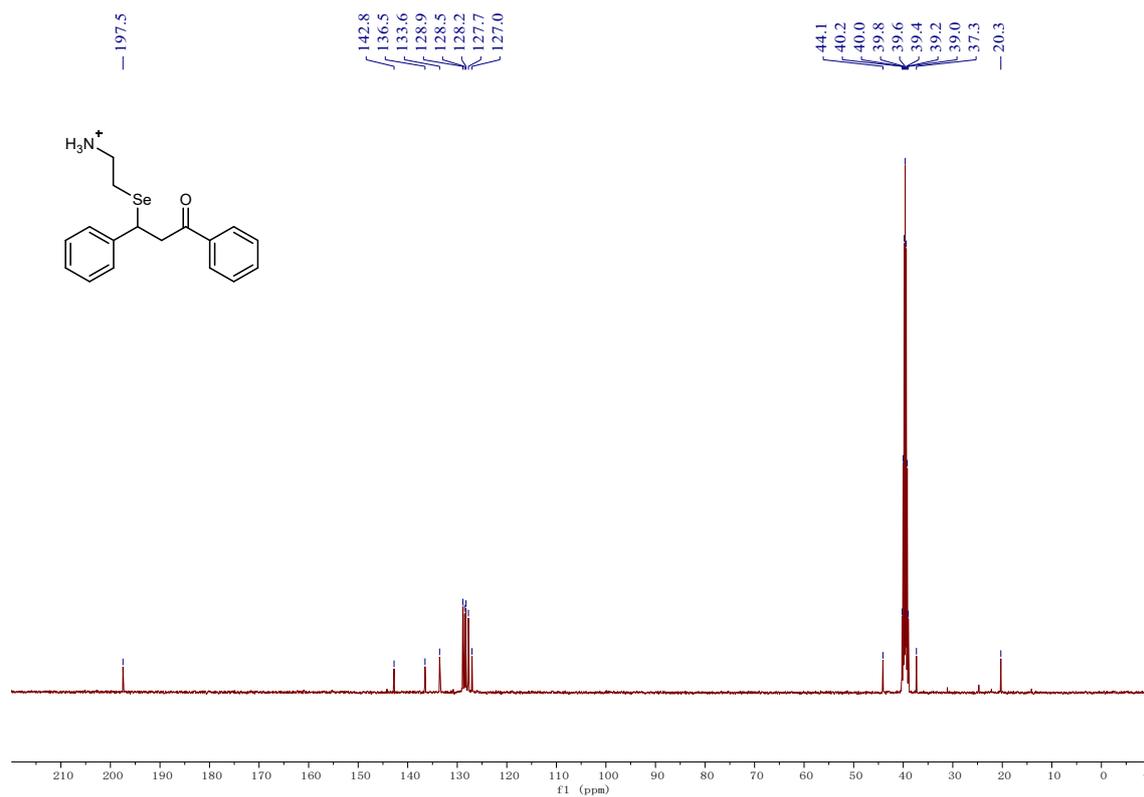


Figure S49. The ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, $\text{DMSO-}d_6$) spectrum of the solid residues of chalcone substrate obtained after 16-h dark reactions when DSEACl_2 is used in stoichiometric amounts.

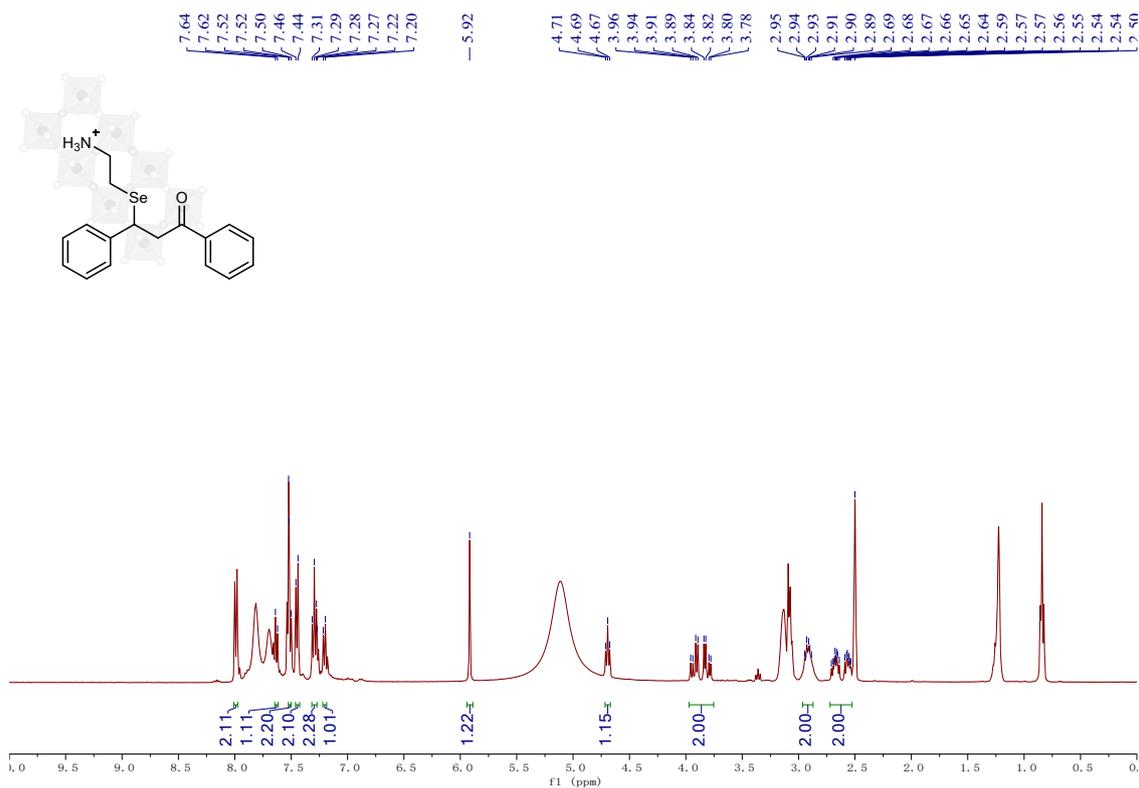
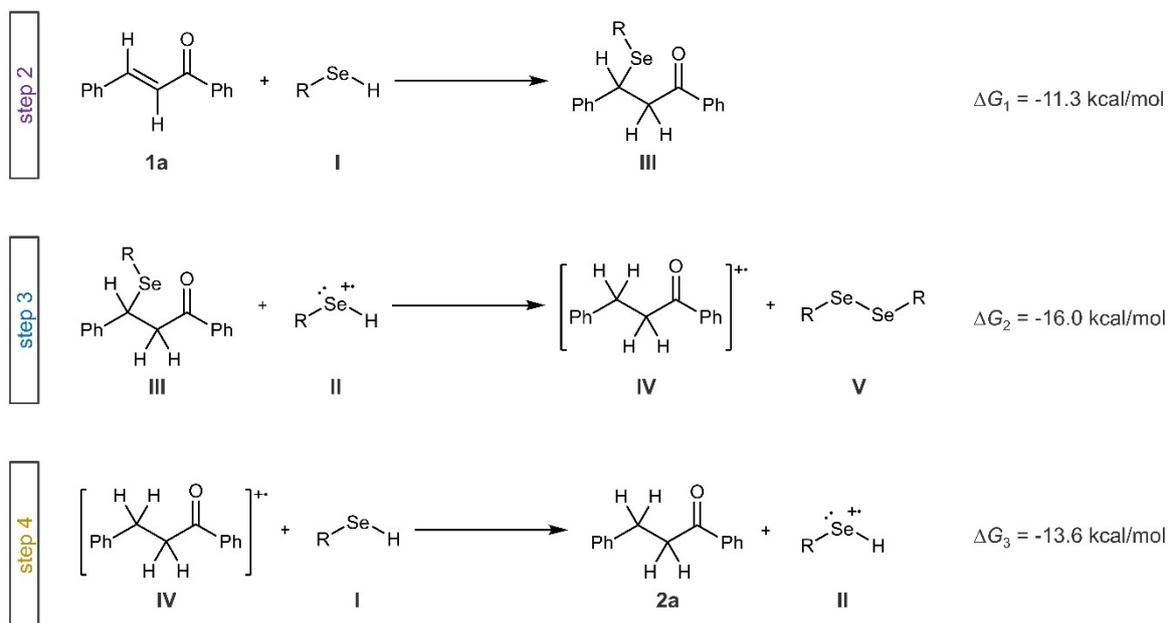


Figure S50. The ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) spectrum of the solid residues of chalcone substrate obtained after 16-h dark reactions when (SEA)₂PbI₄ is used in stoichiometric amounts.



6. Mechanism study

Scheme S1. The corresponding reaction Gibbs free energies for proposed key steps of the surface-selenol-promoted catalytic reaction shown in Figure 4c. The calculation is based on the homogenous reaction between chalcone (i.e., Substrate **1a**) and surface selenol-containing cation $\text{RSeH} = \text{NH}_3^+\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{SeH}$. The subscript numbers of each compound are consistent with Figure 4c.

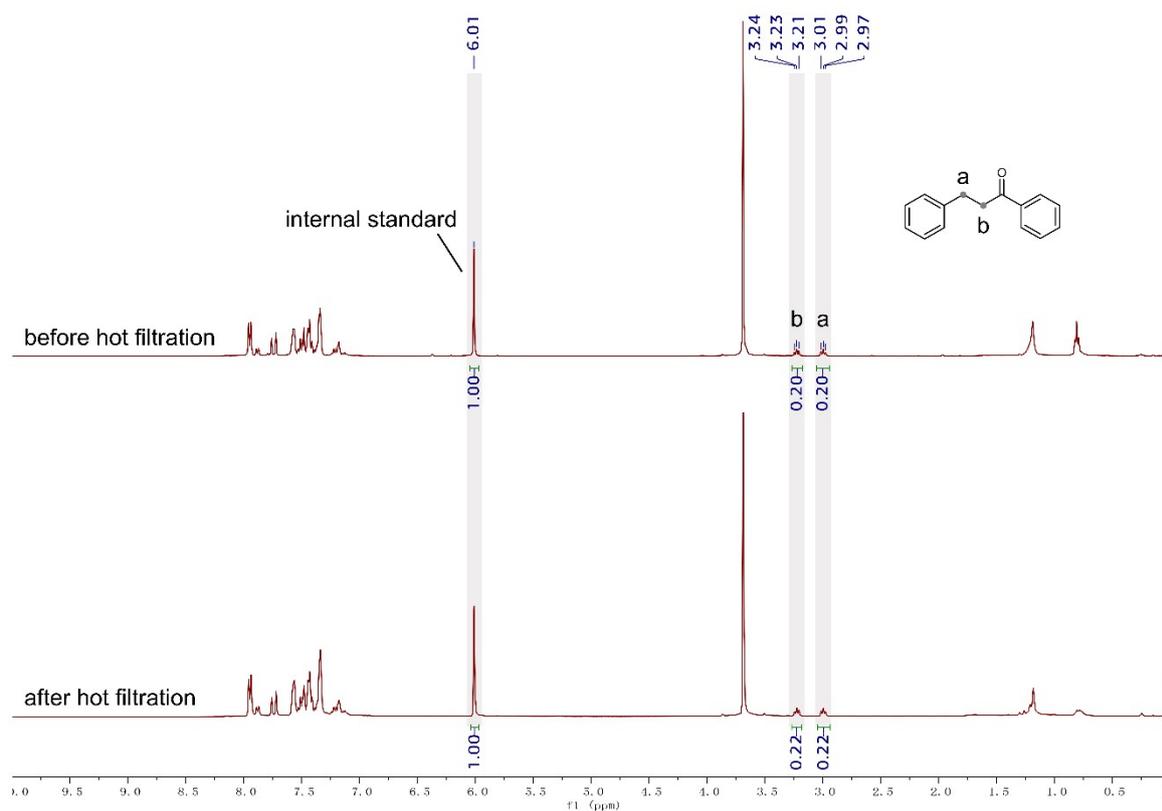


Figure S51. ¹H NMR spectra (400 MHz, CDCl₃) of the reaction mixture of chalcone 1a before and after the hot filtration test. The reaction was conducted with solid (SEA)₂PbI₄ for 4 h, followed by the removal of the catalyst and further irradiation for 12 h under identical conditions. The yields were calculated using 1,3,5-trimethoxybenzene as the internal standard.

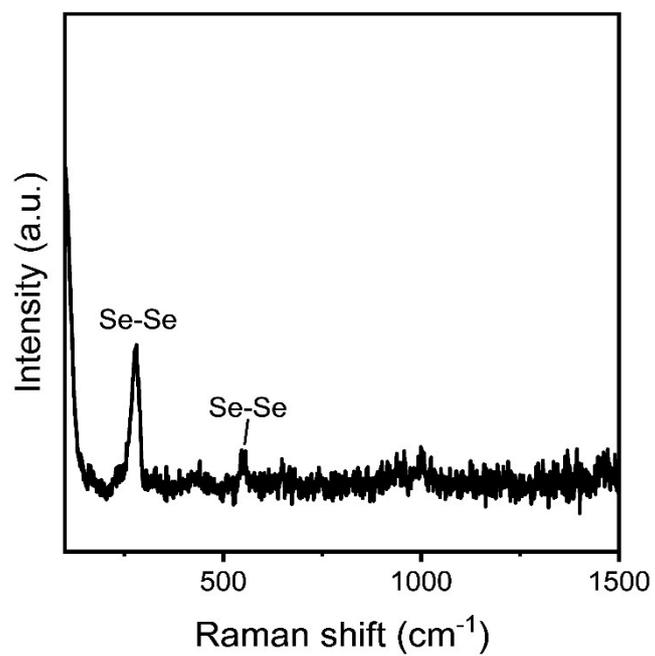


Figure S52. Raman spectrum of the (SEA)₂PbI₄ crystals after repeated redox reaction cycling, which leads to the gradual removal and conversion of SEA moieties into the more stable DSEA species.

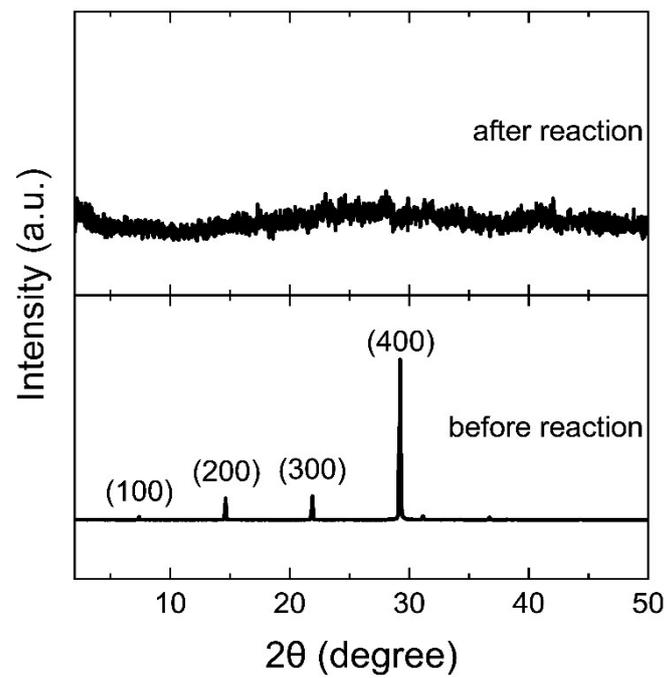


Figure S53. PXR D patterns of $(\text{SEA})_2\text{PbI}_4$ crystals before and after photocatalytic reaction.

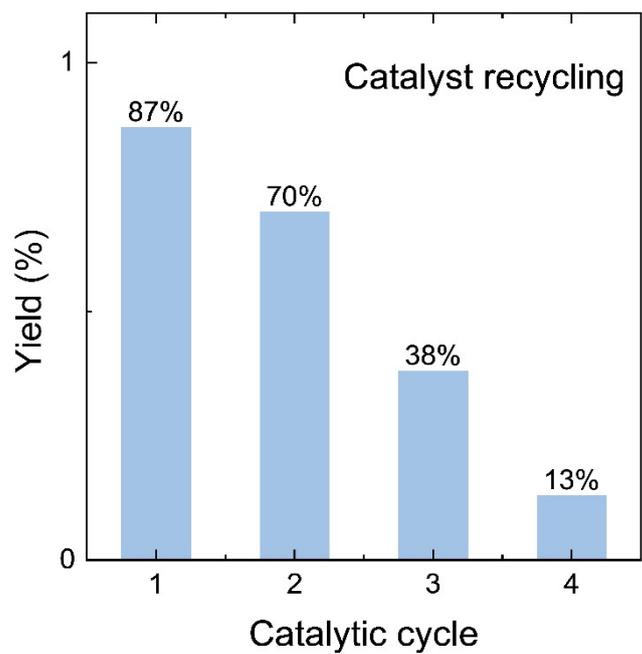


Figure S54. Recyclability of (SEA)₂PbI₄ photocatalyst. Product yields for the reduction of chalcone (**1a**) over four consecutive cycles under identical reaction conditions.

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