

Supporting Information for

Enantiocomplementary Synthesis of Chiral 2,3-Dihydroxy Aryl Ketones via ThDP-Dependent Enzymatic Catalysis

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1. General information

Reagents for molecular biology were obtained from TOYOBO, Thermo Scientific and Omega Biotek. Kanamycin, Ampicillin and isopropyl- β -D-thiogalactopyranoside (IPTG) were purchased from Shanghai Yuanye Biotechnology Co. Ltd. The medium used in the laboratory is lysogeny broth medium (LB) containing 10 g/L tryptone, 5 g/L yeast extract and 10 g/L NaCl. All chemical reagents and all substrates were obtained from commercial sources unless otherwise noted, including aromatic aldehyde.

Thin-layer chromatography (TLC) analysis was carried out on silica gel GF254 plates, with visualization under UV light at 254 nm. The column chromatography separation was carried out using 200-300 mesh silica gel. The samples were analyzed by an Agilent HPLC system equipped with a variable wavelength detector (VWD), using Avantor ACE 5 C18-PFP column (250 mm \times 4.6 mm, 5 μ m, Agilent) and chiral Daicel Chiralpak IA column (250 mm \times 4.6 mm, 5 μ m). ^1H NMR, ^{19}F NMR and ^{13}C NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker AMX400 spectrometer. The following reference values were used: CDCl_3 (^1H NMR: δ 7.26; ^{13}C NMR: δ 77.16), $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ (^1H NMR: δ 2.50; ^{13}C NMR: δ 39.52) D_2O (^1H NMR: δ 4.79), Multiplicities are abbreviated as follows: s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet, dd = doublet of doublets. High resolution mass spectra (HRMS) (EI $^-$) were recorded on Thermo Scientific Q Exactive Orbitrap mass spectrometer. The enantiomeric excess (ee.) was determined by normal phase-high performance liquid chromatography using *n*-hexane and isopropanol as mobile phase. The yields measured by reversed phase-high performance liquid chromatography (RP-HPLC) were calculated with calibration curves. The mobile phase used in RP-HPLC was formic acid water (0.1%) and acetonitrile (60% : 40% respectively).

2. Expression of recombinant ThDP-dependent enzymes

The genes of the ThDP-dependent enzymes were all synthesized by Nanjing Genscript Biotechnology Co., Ltd. Recombinant ThDP-dependent enzymes cloned into pET28a (+) or pET21a (+) were expressed in *E. coli* BL21 (DE3) cell and were cultivated overnight at 37 $^\circ\text{C}$ in 4 mL LB supplemented with 50 $\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$ ampicillin or kanamycin. Then the culture was transferred into 100 mL LB containing 50 $\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$ ampicillin or kanamycin at a 1% inoculation volume in a 250 mL baffled flask and incubated at 37 $^\circ\text{C}$ and 220 rpm. When the OD_{600} reached 0.6~0.8, it was then cooled in an ice bath for 25 minutes and 1.0 mM IPTG (final concentration) was to induce protein expression at 16 $^\circ\text{C}$ for 18-20 h. The cells were collected by centrifugation at 9,000 rpm and pour out the upper liquid, then the stored at -40 $^\circ\text{C}$ for the purity of enzymes or the subsequent whole-cell reaction immediately.

3. Screening procedure of wild-type ThDP-dependent enzymes

The analytical reaction mixture contained benzaldehyde (**1a**, 0.04 mmol, 100 mM), 1,4-dioxane-2,5-diol (**2**, 0.04 mmol, 100 mM), 5% DMSO (v/v), 0.15 mM ThDP, 2.5 mM MgSO₄ and whole cell of wild-type enzymes in potassium phosphate buffer (100 mg/mL, PBS, 50 mM, pH 8.0, 0.4 mL). For the *Pa*BAL reaction condition: (**1a**, 0.02 mmol, 50 mM), 1,4-dioxane-2,5-diol (**2**, 0.02 mmol, 50 mM), 5% DMSO (v/v), 0.15 mM ThDP, 2.5 mM MgSO₄ and whole cell (200 mg/mL, PBS, 50 mM, pH 8.0, 0.4 mL). The reaction mixture was shaken at 30 °C for 12 h or 24 h and then added 1 mL MeOH to quench the reaction and the yields were measured using HPLC based on the calibration curves.

4. Construction of *Pf*BAL and *Pa*BAL libraries

4.1 Molecular docking

The crystal structure of *Pf*BAL (PDB code: 3D7K) was gained in the PDB database (as receptor) and the homology model of *Pa*BAL was constructed by AlphaFold 2^[1](as receptor) and the volume of the binding pocket were shown online (<https://proteins.plus/>), assisting in handling docking ligand (the product of the Breslow intermediate attacking the **1a**) into the receptor. Molecular docking study was performed with the AutoDock vina (1.1.2) software^[2]. Then *Pf*BAL and *Pa*BAL molecular was removed water and added hydrogen atoms and the energy of ligand was minimized by Chemdraw 3D for the docking. To include all possible binding conformations, a large grid box centered at the sulfur atom of ThDP comprising 70 × 70 × 70 grids with the grid spacing of 0.375 Å was used for the docking calculations. The lowest-energy conformation was selected and visualized in PyMOL. The selected hot sites within 4 Å of the *Pf*BAL active pocket were A28, L112, Q113 and the optional sites within 4 Å of the *Pa*BAL active pocket were L116, Q117, G396, H417, G421, M480, M556, Y571 for site-directed saturation mutagenesis (SSM) (**Figure S2A and S2B**).

4.2 PCR procedure of *Pf*BAL and *Pa*BAL

To construct the *Pf*BAL and *Pa*BAL mutants, specific primers were designed based on the intended amino acid substitutions (**Tables S2-S4, S6-S14**). The wild-type *Pf*BAL and *Pa*BAL plasmid or constructed mutant plasmids served as the templates for PCR amplification. PCR was performed in a total volume of 25 µL, containing 0.5 µL plasmid template, 1 µL of each forward and reverse primer, 12.5 µL of KOD One™ PCR Master Mix, and 11 µL of ddH₂O. The thermal cycling conditions were as follows: initial denaturation at 98 °C for 45 s; 30 cycles of 98 °C for 15 s, annealing at (minimum T_m-5) °C for 30 s, and extension at 68 °C for 150 s; followed by a final extension at 68 °C for 150 s. The PCR products were purified using a PCR Clean-Up Kit and directly transformed into *E. coli* BL21 (DE3) competent cells. The transformation mixture was spread on LB-agar plates supplemented with 50 µg/mL ampicillin or kanamycin and

incubated overnight at 37 °C. Single colony from each plate was picked into 4 mL of LB broth containing 50 µg/mL ampicillin or kanamycin in 10 mL culture tubes and grown overnight at 37 °C. Then DNA was sequenced by Tsingke Biotech (Beijing, China) and subsequently used for large-scale culture.

5. Screening of *PfBAL* and *PaBAL* mutant libraries and purification of *PaBAL* M3 mutants

For *PfBAL* mutant libraries: The analytical reaction mixture was composed of **1a** (0.04 mmol, 100 mM), compound **2** (0.04 mmol, 100 mM), 5% (v/v) DMSO, ThDP (0.15 mM), MgSO₄ (2.5 mM), and 0.4 mL of 50 mM PBS (pH 8.0) containing 60 mg/mL whole cells of *PfBAL* mutants. The reaction mixture was shaken at 30 °C for 6 h and then added 1 mL MeOH to quench the reaction and the yields were determined using RP-HPLC analysis based on the calibration curves.

For *PaBAL* mutant libraries: The analytical reaction mixture was composed of **1a** (0.02 mmol, 50 mM), compound **2** (0.02 mmol, 50 mM), 5% (v/v) DMSO, ThDP (0.15 mM), MgSO₄ (2.5 mM), and 0.4 mL of 50 mM PBS (pH 8.0) containing 200 mg/mL whole cells of *PaBAL* mutants. The reaction mixture was shaken at 30 °C for 24 h and then added 1 mL MeOH to quench the reaction and the yields were determined using RP-HPLC analysis based on the calibration curves.

Purification of *PaBAL* M3 mutants

The fresh wet cells containing *PaBAL* M3 mutants were resuspended in 50 mM phosphate buffer (PBS). After sonication, the crude lysate containing 6×His-tagged proteins were loaded into Ni-NTA affinity chromatography. The target proteins were subsequently eluted with elution buffer containing 200 mM imidazole, 50 mM potassium phosphate (pH 8.0). The eluted fraction was dialyzed using 30 kDa molecular weight cut-off (MWCO) ultrafiltration tubes centrifuged at 3,200 rpm for 4 times. The final protein concentration was determined in triplicate by measuring the absorbance at 280 nm using a NanoDrop spectrophotometer, with extinction coefficients corrected via the ExpASy ProtParam tool (<https://web.expasy.org/protparam/>). The purified enzymes were stored at –80 °C for subsequent assays (SDS-PAGE in **Figure S7**).

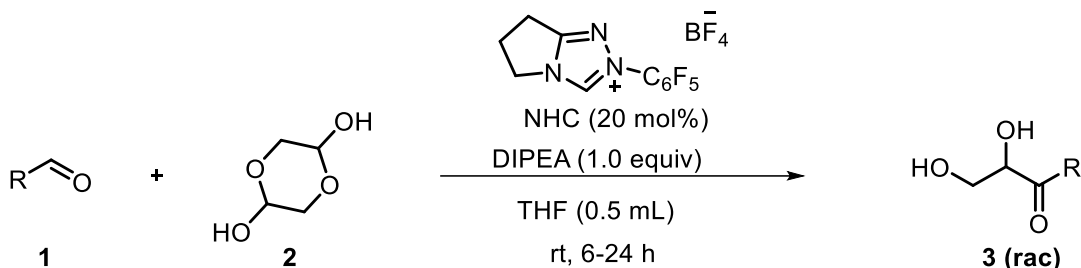
6. The activity assay of *PaBAL* and *PaBAL* M3

One unit (U) is defined as the amount of enzyme that catalyzes the formation of 1 µmol of 2,3-dihydroxy aryl ketone from aldehydes per minute at 30 °C.

The reaction mixture (400 µL) was composed of **1a** (5 mM or 10 mM), compound **2** (5 mM or 10mM), 5% (v/v) DMSO, ThDP (0.15 mM), MgSO₄ (2.5 mM), 50 mM PBS (pH 8.0). The reaction was initiated by adding pure enzyme (1 mg). After all additions, shake the reaction at 30 °C for 10-30 minutes. It was then quenched with 1 mL of MeOH

and centrifuged at 12,000 rpm for 1 minutes. The product was analyzed by RP-HPLC using an ACE 5 C18-PFP column (mobile phase: H₂O with 0.1% formic acid and CH₃CN in a 60 : 40 ratio) based on the calibration curves.

7. General procedure for the synthesis of racemic 2, 3-dihydroxyketone



To a solution of aldehyde **1** (0.05 mmol) and **2** (2.0 equiv.) in THF (0.5 mL) was added NHC (20 mol%), followed by *N,N*-diisopropylethylamine (DIPEA, 1.0 equiv.). The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 24 h. The reaction mixture was then directly subjected to preparative thin-layer chromatography (prep-TLC) to obtain the racemic products **3**. The silica gel band containing the target product **3** was collected, and the product was eluted with ethanol. The resulting solution was filtered through a membrane filter to prepare a sample for HPLC analysis for chiral resolution.

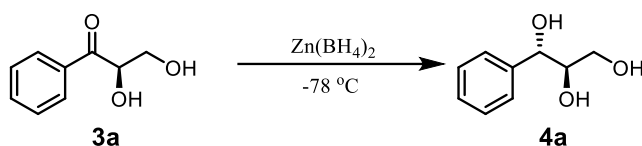
8. General procedure for exploring the substrate scope

PfBAL_A28S: The reaction mixture contains substrate **1** (0.04 mmol, 100 mM), **2** (0.04 mmol, 100 mM), DMSO (5%, v/v), ThDP (0.15 mM), MgSO₄ (2.5 mM) and PBS (50 mM, pH 8.0, 0.4 mL) supplemented with 60 mg/mL whole cell of *PfBAL_A28S*. And the reactions were shaken at 1000 rpm, 30 °C for 12 h on the dry thermostat metal bath JX-10. (The reaction of **1k**, **1o** and **1s** used at the 120 mg/mL whole cell of *PfBAL_A28S* and the reaction time for 24 h). Then 1 mL EtOAc was added to the reaction (three times) and extracted the products by centrifugation at 12,000 rpm for 1 min. The product was concentrated by the rotary evaporator and added 0.5 mL EtOAc containing 1,3,5-trimethoxybenzene (0.5 equiv.) as internal standard. The yields were determined by ¹H NMR.

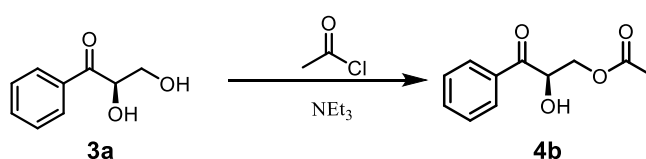
PaBAL M3: The reaction mixture contains substrate **1** (0.02 mmol, 33 mM), **2** (0.02 mmol, 33 mM), DMSO (5%, v/v), ThDP (0.15 mM), MgSO₄ (2.5 mM), 0.3% loading of the *PaBAL M3* purified enzyme and PBS (50 mM, pH 8.0, 384.75 μL) in total 0.5 mL. And the reactions were shaken at 1000 rpm and 30 °C for 24 h on the dry thermostat metal bath JX-10. 1 mL MeOH was added into the mixture and centrifuge mixture at 12,000 rpm for 1 min. The yields were determined based on the calibration curves using RP-HPLC.

9. Transformation

9.1 The chemical transformation of chiral 2, 3-dihydroxy aryl ketone **3a**^[3]



3a (0.6 mmol) was dissolved in dry DCM (4 mL) and placed in $-78\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ stirring for 5 min under N_2 atmosphere, $\text{Zn}(\text{BH}_4)_2$ (2 equiv.) was added dropwise with stirring. The reaction was stirred for 2 h at this temperature before being quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous solution of ammonium chloride (approximately 5 mL). The mixture was extracted with DCM (note: most of product **4a** exist in aqueous phase) and the pure compound **4a** was purified by silica gel flash chromatography.



To the solution of **3a** (0.6 mmol) dissolved in a 10 mL round bottomed flask was added NEt_3 (1.5 equiv.), acetyl chloride (1.02 equiv.) was added dropwise at $0\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$. Then the reaction warmed to room temperature with stirring for 2 h and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by silica gel flash chromatography to afford product **4b**.

9.2 Scaled-up biotransformation of **3a**, **3c**, **3d** and **3o**

A 40 mL-scale preparative reaction consisted of substrate **1a** (4 mmol), **2** (4 mmol), 5% (v/v) DMSO, 0.15 mM ThDP, 2.5 mM MgSO_4 , and 40 mL of 60 mg/mL *PfBAL_A28S* whole-cell suspension in 50 mM PBS buffer (pH 8.0). The mixture was shaken at 220 rpm and $30\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ for 24 h. The reaction mixture was extracted with EtOAc (80 mL \times 4), dried over anhydrous Na_2SO_4 , and concentrated by rotary evaporation. The residue was purified via column chromatography to yield product **3a** (0.59 g, 89% ee). The procedure of products **3c**, **3d** and **3o** was similar to that of **3a**.

10. Supplementary Figures

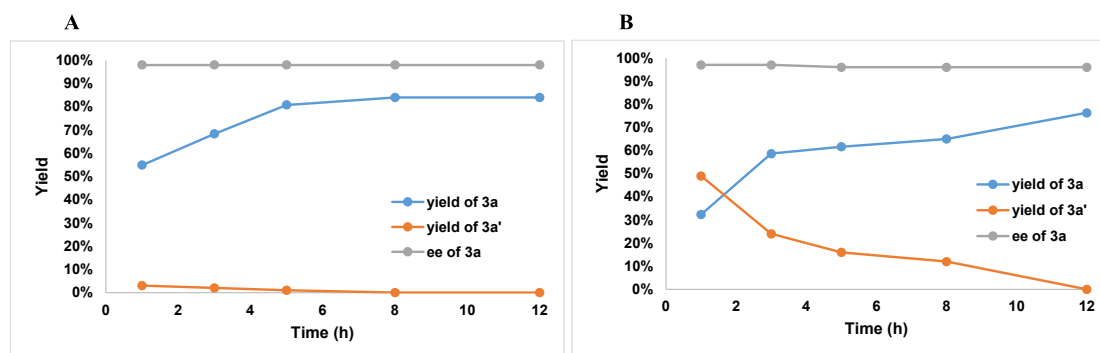


Figure S1. Reaction progress curve. A) process of *PfBAL_A28S* catalysis; B) process

of wild-type *Pf*BAL catalysis.

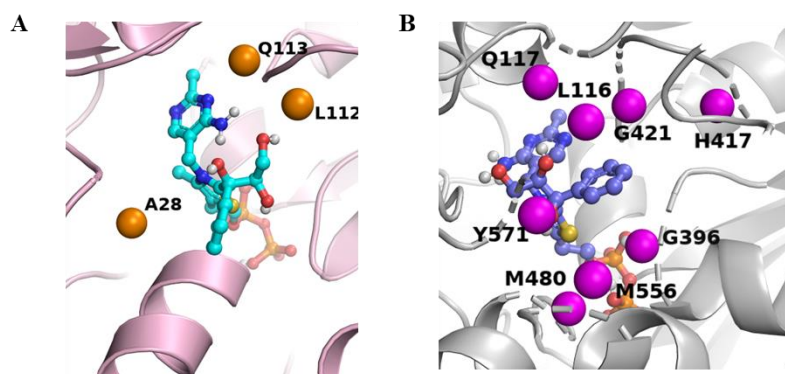


Figure S2. (A) Three hotspots of *Pf*BAL active pocket, shown in orange spheres; (B) Eight hotspots of *Pa*BAL active pocket, shown in magenta spheres.

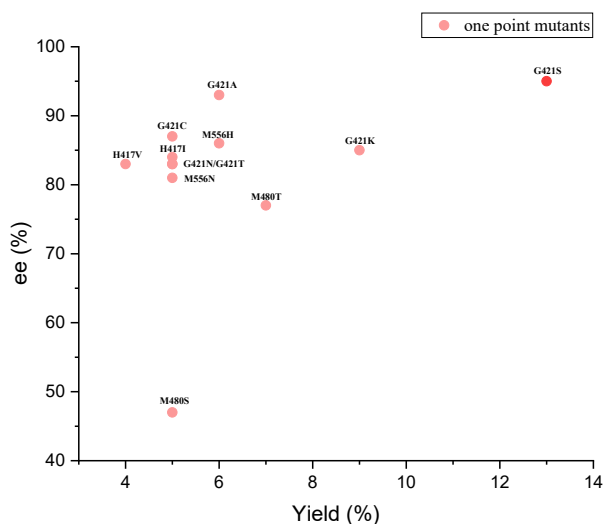


Figure S3. The result of the first round of mutation of *Pa*ABL. Only the part of mutants that showed a response were displayed and *Pa*BAL_G421S was the best mutant that showed by red colour. And the other mutants not shown had no or trace response. The reaction condition: **1a** (0.02 mmol, 50 mM), **2** (0.02 mmol, 50 mM), DMSO (5%, v/v), ThDP (0.15 mM), MgSO₄ (2.5 mM) and PBS (50 mM, pH 8.0, 0.4 mL) containing 200 mg/mL whole cell of *Pa*BAL mutants, 30 °C, 24 h.

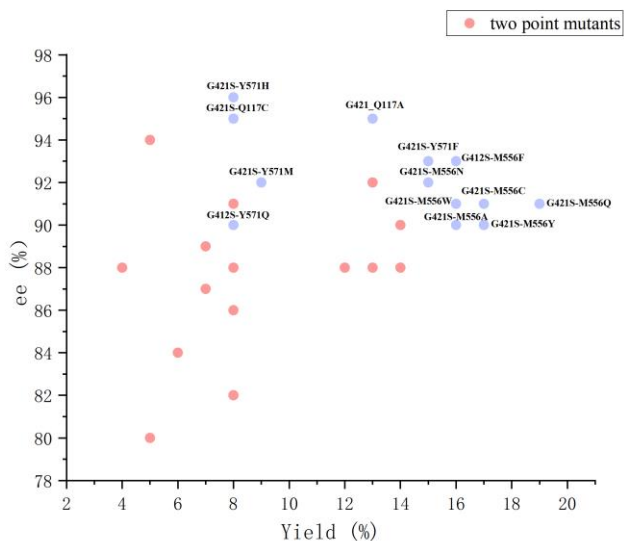


Figure S4. The result of the second round of mutation of *PaABL*. Only the part of mutants that showed a response were displayed. The magenta spheres respectively indicated the best second round of mutants of G421_Q117, G421_M556 and G421_Y571. The reaction reaction: **1a** (0.02 mmol, 50 mM), **2** (0.02 mmol, 50 mM), DMSO (5%, v/v), ThDP (0.15 mM), MgSO₄ (2.5 mM) and PBS (50 mM, pH 8.0, 0.4 mL) containing 200 mg/mL whole cell of *PaBAL* mutants, 30 °C, 24 h.

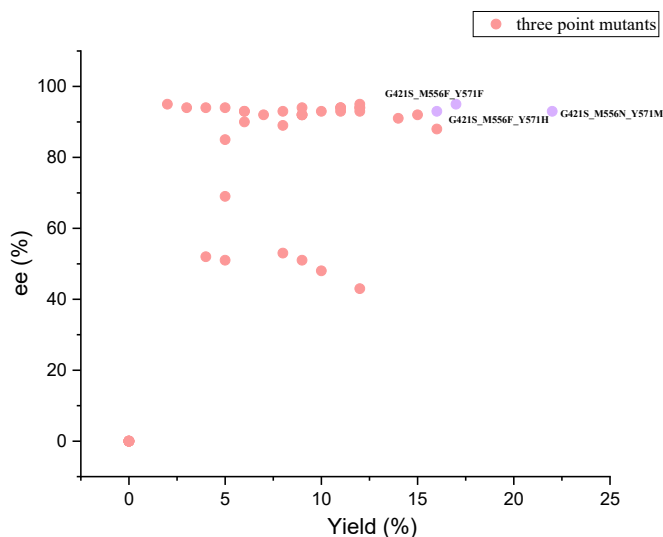


Figure S5. The result of the third of mutation of *PaABL*. Some points overlap multiple mutants. The pink spheres respectively indicated the relatively good third round of mutants of G421_M556F_571F, G421_M556N_571M and G421_M556F_Y571H. The reaction reaction: **1a** (0.02 mmol, 50 mM), **2** (0.02 mmol, 50 mM), DMSO (5 %, v/v), ThDP (0.15 mM), MgSO₄ (2.5 mM) and PBS (50 mM, pH 8.0, 0.4 mL) containing 200 mg/mL whole cell of *PaBAL* mutants, 30 °C, 24 h.

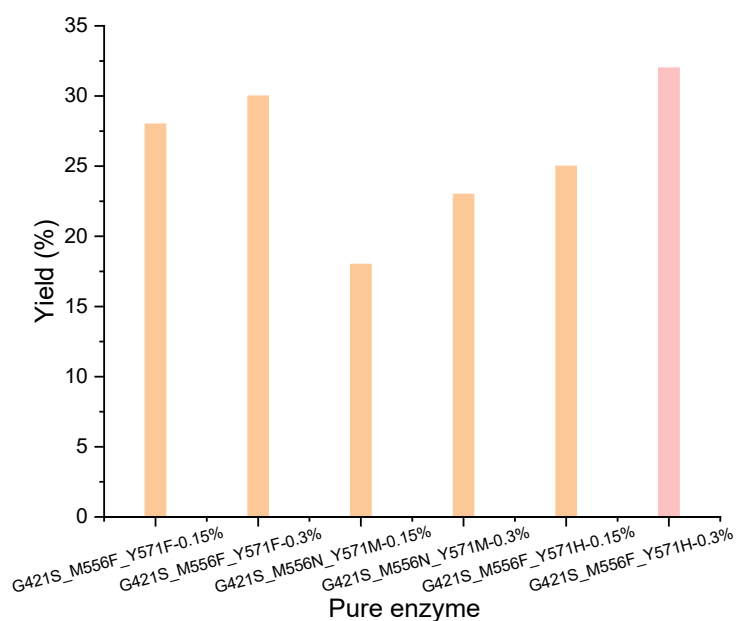


Figure S6. The result of different loading of pure *PaABL* mutants in the third round campaign. The reaction reaction: **1a** (0.02 mmol, 50 mM), **2** (0.02 mmol, 50 mM), DMSO (5%, v/v), ThDP (0.15 mM), MgSO₄ (2.5 mM) and 0.15% or 0.3% loading pure *PaBAL* mutants, 30 °C, 24 h.

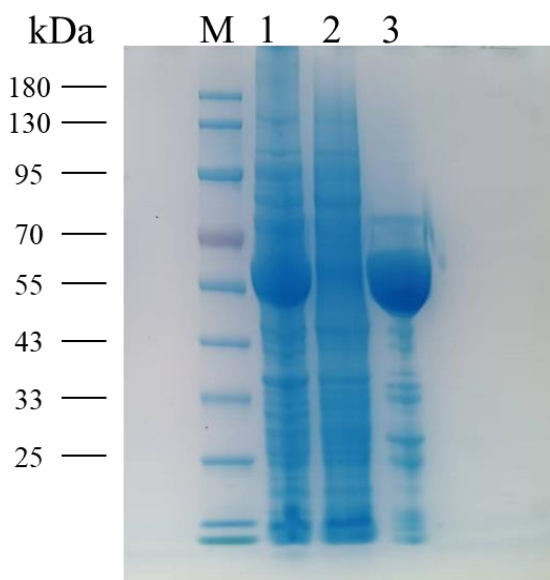


Figure S7. SDS-PAGE. M: protein maker; 1: crude *PfBAL*_A28S; 2: crude *PaBAL*; 3: *PaBAL* M3 (pure). (Molecular weight of *PfBAL*: 58.9 kDa; *PaBAL*: 59.5 kDa)

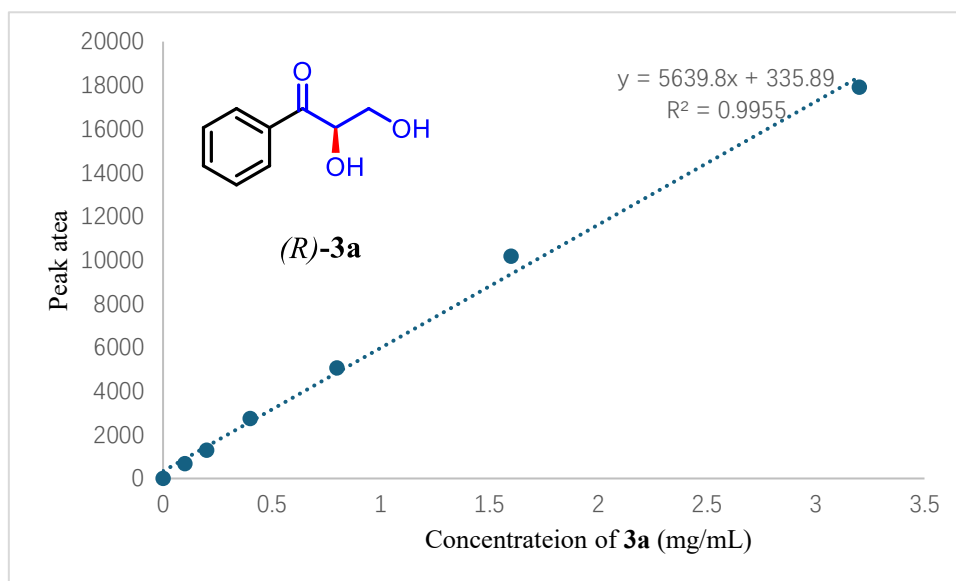


Figure S8. Calibration curve of **3a** used for yield determination by RP-HPLC

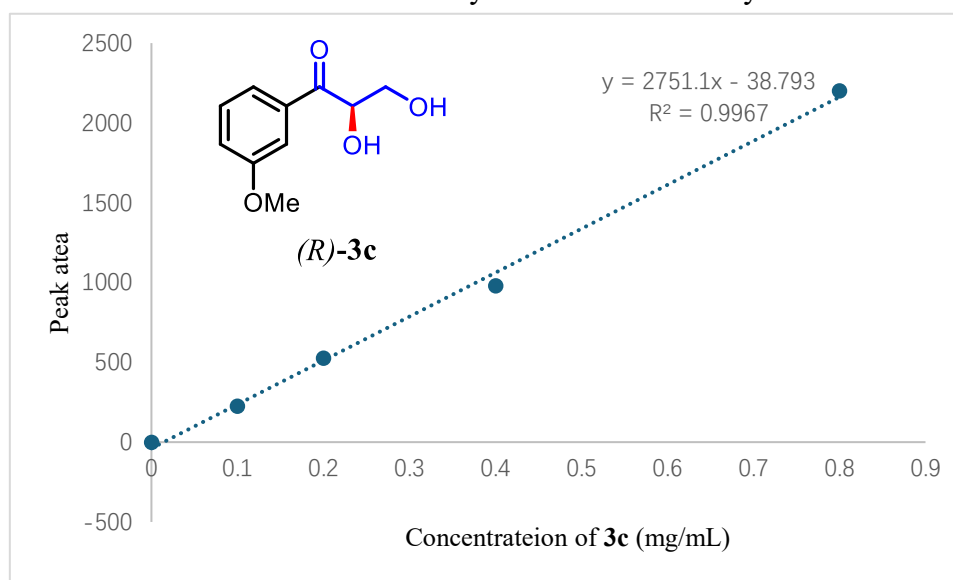


Figure S9. Calibration curve of **3c** used for yield determination by RP-HPLC.

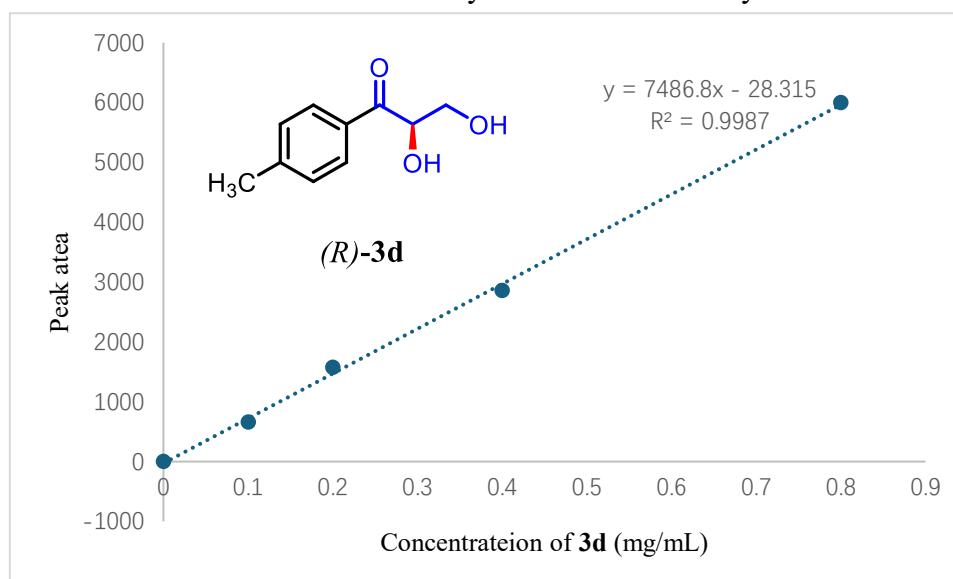


Figure S10. Calibration curve of **3d** used for yield determination by RP-HPLC.

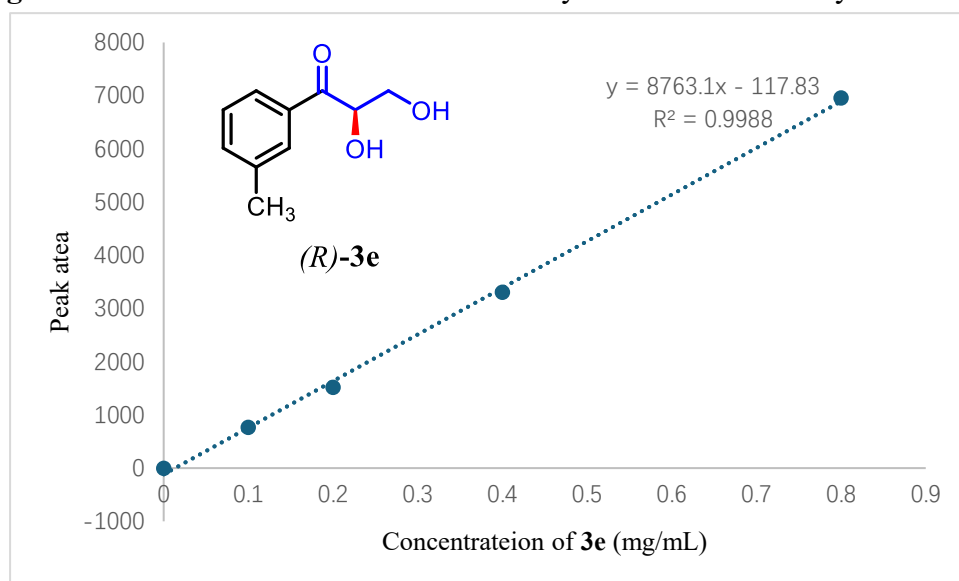


Figure S11. Calibration curve of **3e** used for yield determination by RP-HPLC.

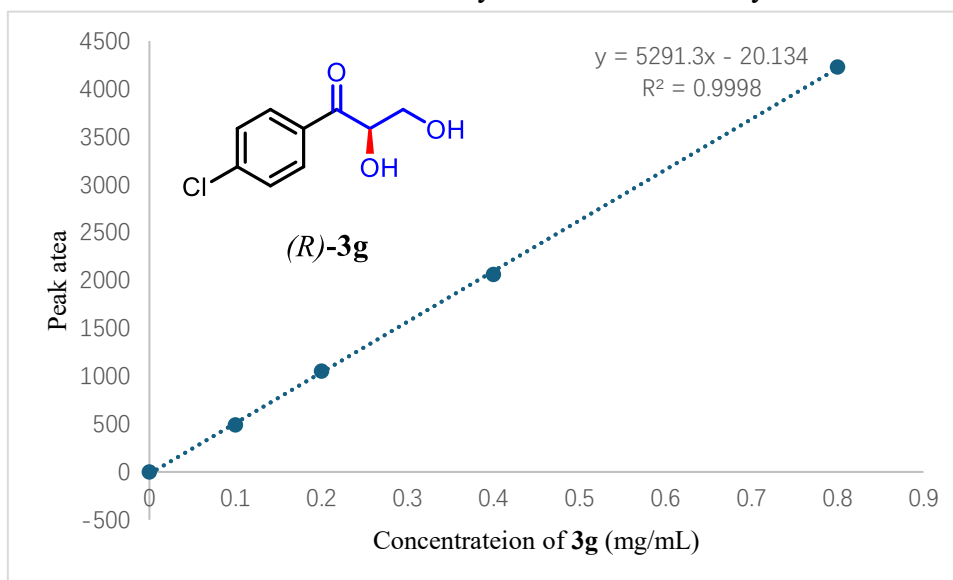


Figure S12. Calibration curve of **3g** used for yield determination by RP-HPLC.

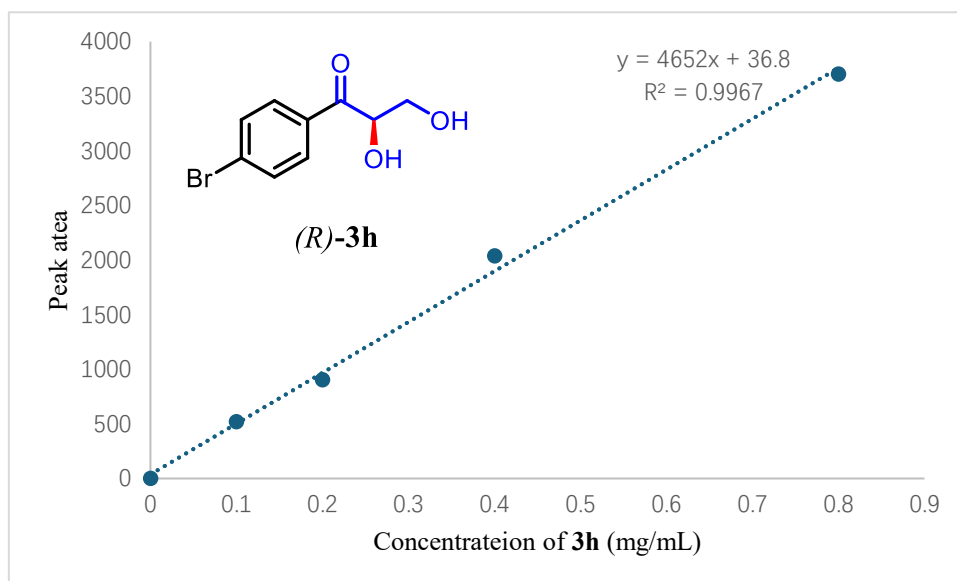


Figure S13. Calibration curve of **3h** used for yield determination by RP-HPLC.

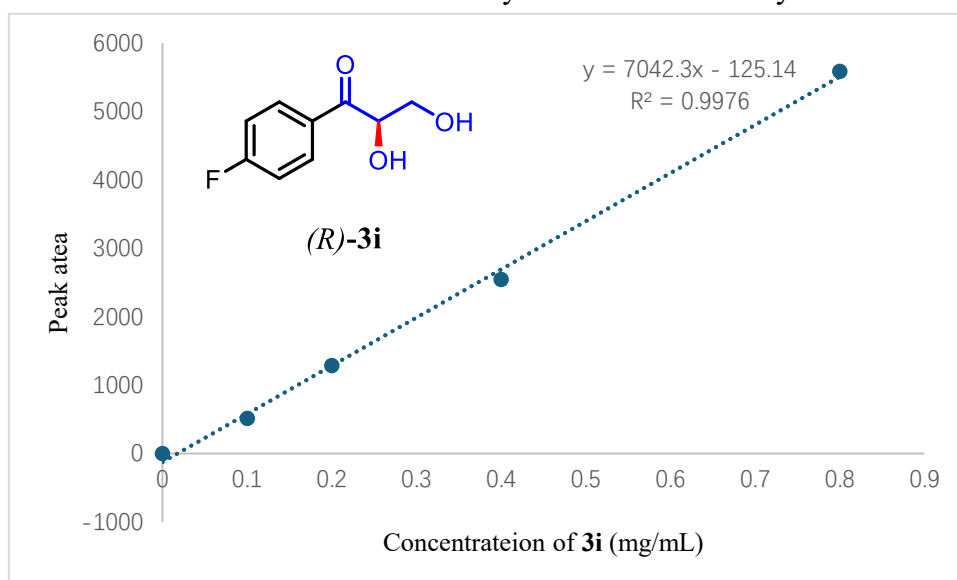


Figure S14. Calibration curve of **3i** used for yield determination by RP-HPLC.

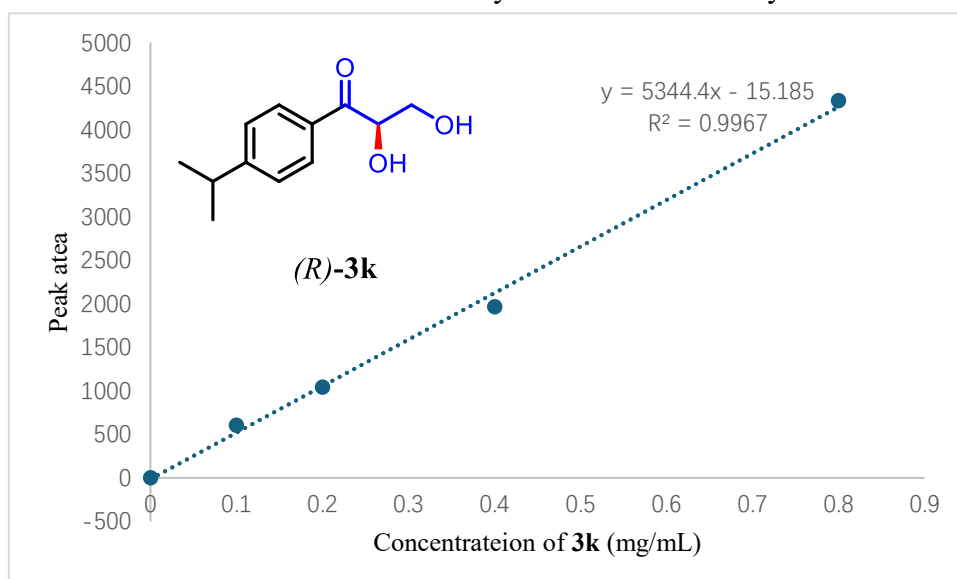


Figure S15. Calibration curve of **3k** used for yield determination by RP-HPLC.

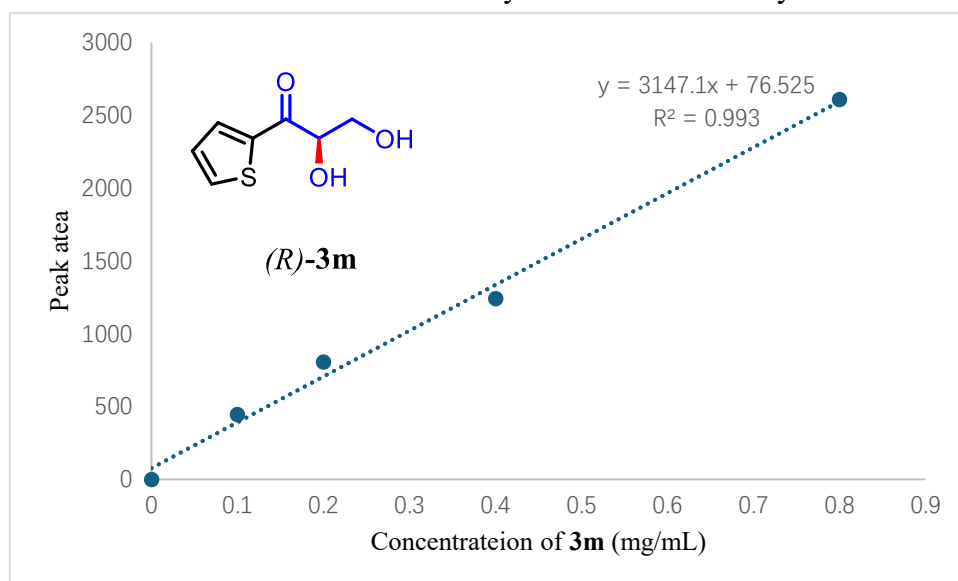


Figure S16. Calibration curve of **3m** used for yield determination by RP-HPLC.

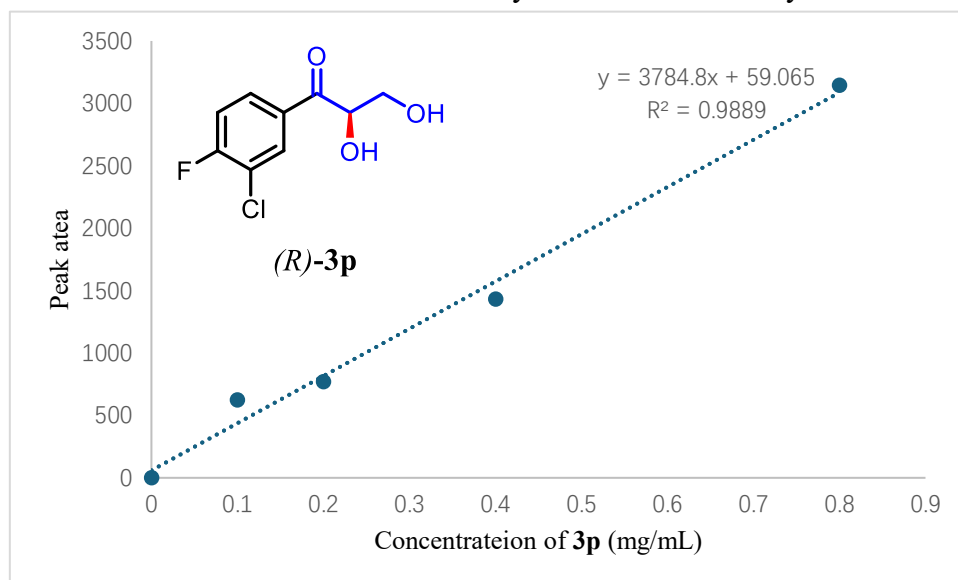


Figure S17. Calibration curve of **3p** used for yield determination by RP-HPLC.

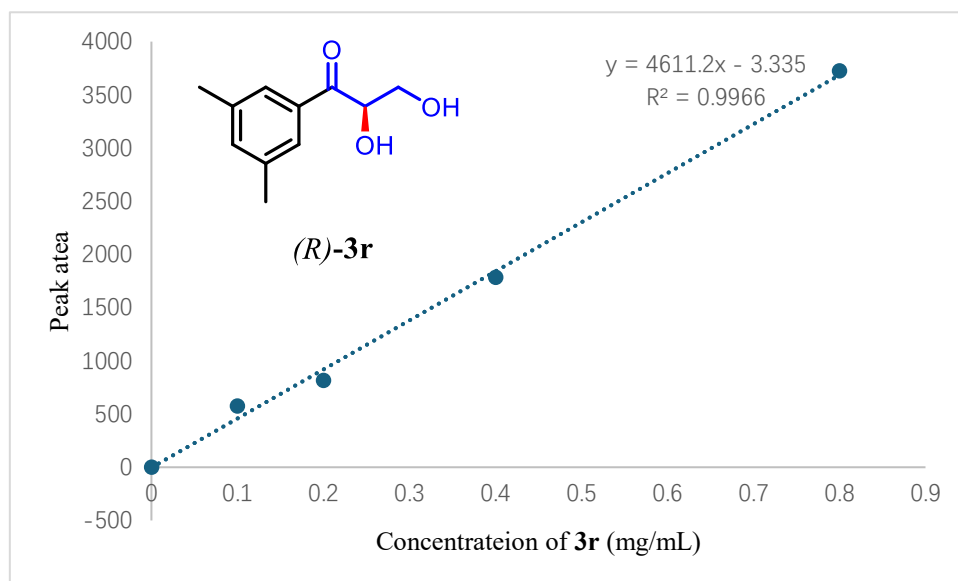


Figure S18. Calibration curve of **3r** used for yield determination by RP-HPLC.

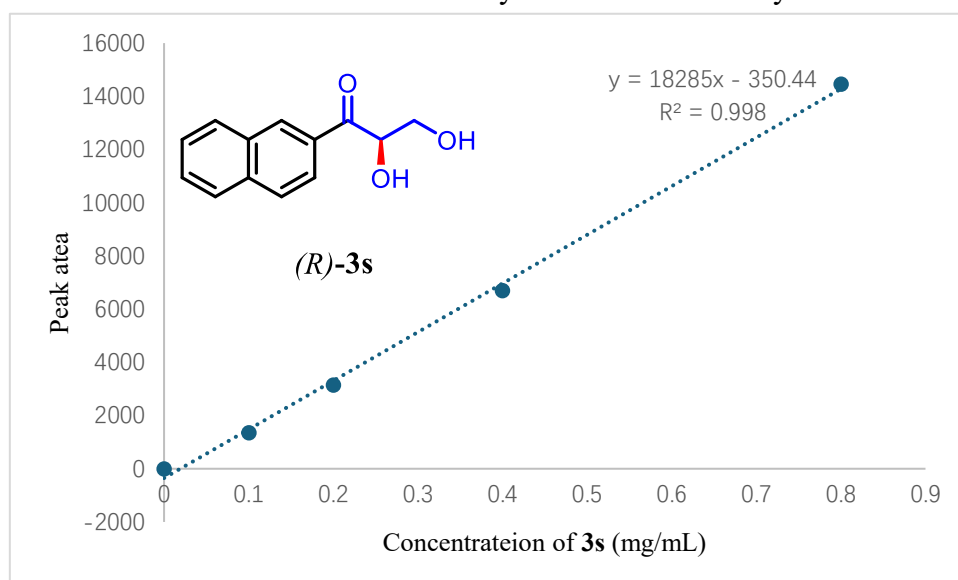


Figure S19. Calibration curve of **3s** used for yield determination by RP-HPLC.

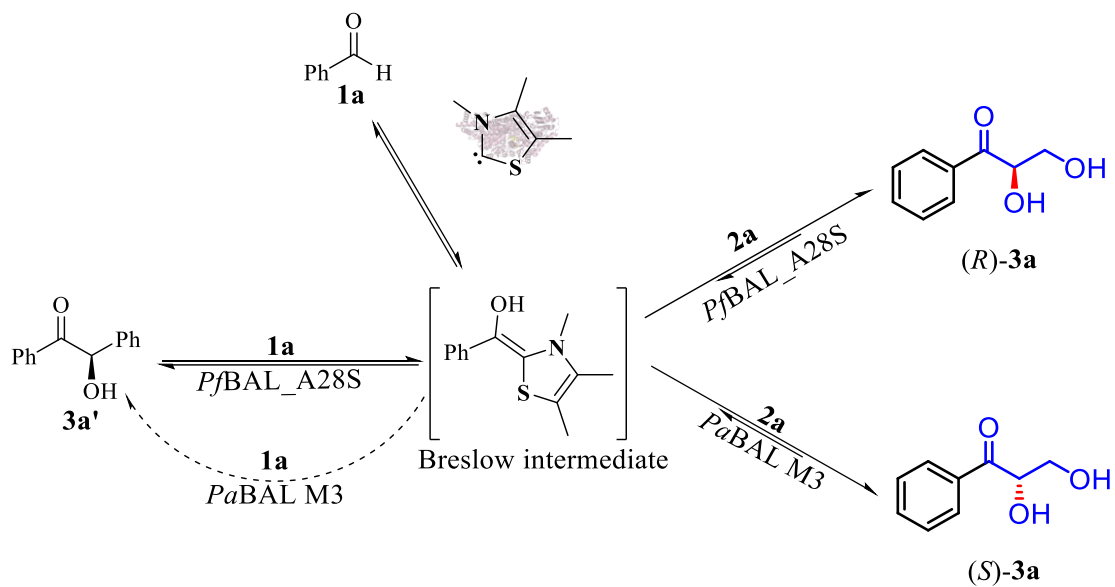


Figure S20. The reaction pathway.

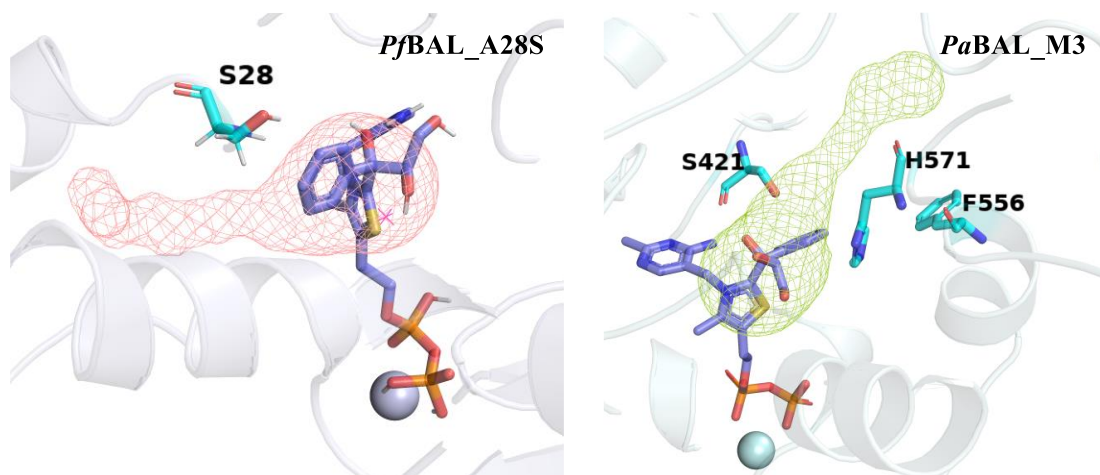


Figure S21. The substrate tunnel of *PfBAL_A28S* and *PaBAL_M3* respectively.

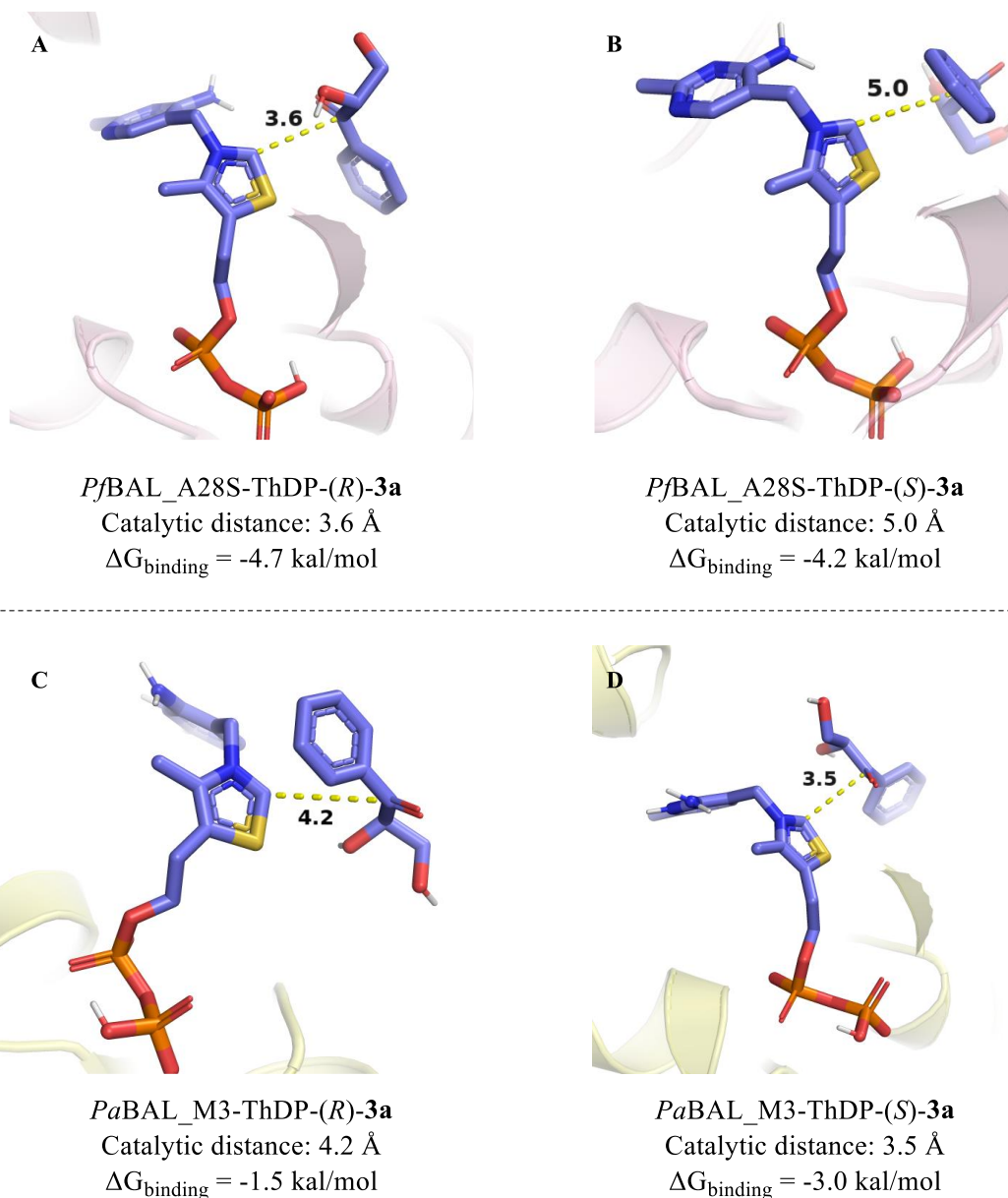


Figure S22. Molecular dockings of *PfBAL_A28S*/*PaBAL_M3* with (*R*)-**3a** or (*S*)-**3a** (ThDP and **3a** were presented in sticks; distances were showed in dashed lines). The reversible processes is demonstrated. To understand the different stereoselectivities of two enzyme pairs from the perspective of reverse reaction, molecular docking studies were performed for *PaBAL_M3* and *PfBAL_A28S* with both (*S*)- and (*R*)-enantiomers of **3a**, respectively. The docking results showed that the distance between the C2 of ThDP and carbonyl C of (*R*)-**3a** were 3.6 Å, clearly shorter than that of (*S*)-**3a** (5.0 Å). An opposite result was observed for *PaBAL_M3* ($d_{\text{ThDP-(R)-3a}} = 4.2 \text{ \AA} > d_{\text{ThDP-(S)-3a}} = 3.5 \text{ \AA}$). The large distance might prevent (*S*)-**3a** from being attacked by ThDP cofactor in *PfBAL_A28S* and prevent (*R*)-**3a** from being attacked by ThDP cofactor in *PaBAL_M3*. Therefore, *PfBAL_A28S* just accepted (*R*)-**3a** as raw material, and *PaBAL_M3* just accepted (*S*)-**3a** as raw material for the reverse reaction.

11. Supplementary Tables

Table S1. The information of different ThDP-dependent enzymes (existing this research group) used in this study

Entry	enzyme	source	Protein identifier
1	SsBAL	<i>Streptomyces sp.</i> BK335	WP_133047913.1
2	SuBAL	<i>Streptomyces umbrinus</i>	WP_189844730.1
3	AsBAL	<i>Actinomadura sp.</i> KC345	WP_131875833.1
4	PaBAL	<i>Polymorphobacter arshaanensis</i>	WP_135246357.1
5	EcMend	<i>Escherichia coli</i> K-12	2JLC
6	SsBFD	<i>Streptomyces sp.</i> Tu 4128	WP_122617744.1
7	KdcA	<i>Lactococcus lactis</i>	2VBF
8	AnPDC	<i>Acinetobacter nectaris</i>	WP_023273611.1
9	EcTK	<i>Escherichia coli</i>	2R8P
10	ScTK	<i>S. cerevisiae</i> (yeast)	1TKA
11	PfBAL	<i>Pseudomonas fluorescens</i>	3D7K

Table S2. Primers used for 28 site of PfBAL

Entry	Mutants	Forward Primer (5'-3')	Reverse Primer (5'-3')
1	A28C	tgtttggtcttcacggtTGTcacattgataccatc	
2	A28D	tgtttggtcttcacggtGATcacattgataccatc	
3	A28E	tgtttggtcttcacggtGAAcacattgataccatc	
4	A28F	tgtttggtcttcacggtTTTcacattgataccatc	
5	A28G	tgtttggtcttcacggtGGTcacattgataccatc	
6	A28H	tgtttggtcttcacggtCATcacattgataccatc	
7	A28I	tgtttggtcttcacggtATTcacattgataccatc	
8	A28K	tgtttggtcttcacggtAAAcacattgataccatc	
9	A28L	tgtttggtcttcacggtCTGcacattgataccatc	
10	A28M	tgtttggtcttcacggtATGcacattgataccatc	accgtgaagaccaaacagggtgctcgacgcct
11	A28N	tgtttggtcttcacggtAATcacattgataccatc	
12	A28P	tgtttggtcttcacggtCCGcacattgataccatc	
13	A28Q	tgtttggtcttcacggtCAGcacattgataccatc	
14	A28R	tgtttggtcttcacggtCGTcacattgataccatc	
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17	A28V	tgtttggtcttcacggtGTTcacattgataccatc	
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Table S3. Primers used for 112 site of *Pf*BAL

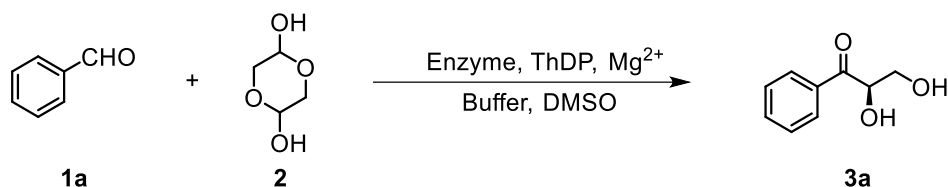
Entry	Mutants	Forward Primer (5'-3')	Reverse Primer (5'-3')
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2	L112C	tgatgagacaaataccTGTcaagcgggcattga	
3	L112D	tgatgagacaaataccGATcaagcgggcattga	
4	L112E	tgatgagacaaataccGAACAagcgggcattga	
5	L112F	tgatgagacaaataccTTTcaagcgggcattga	
6	L112G	tgatgagacaaataccGGTcaagcgggcattga	
7	L112H	tgatgagacaaataccCATcaagcgggcattga	
8	L112I	tgatgagacaaataccATTcaagcgggcattga	
9	L112K	tgatgagacaaataccAAAcaagcgggcattga	
10	L112M	tgatgagacaaataccATGcaagcgggcattga	ggattttgtctcatcatcacgcagagcggc
11	L112N	tgatgagacaaataccAATcaagcgggcattga	
12	L112P	tgatgagacaaataccCCGcaagcgggcattga	
13	L112Q	tgatgagacaaataccCAGcaagcgggcattga	
14	L112R	tgatgagacaaataccCGTcaagcgggcattga	
15	L112S	tgatgagacaaataccAGCcaagcgggcattga	
16	L112T	tgatgagacaaataccACCcaagcgggcattga	
17	L112V	tgatgagacaaataccGTTcaagcgggcattga	
18	L112W	tgatgagacaaataccTGGcaagcgggcattga	
19	L112Y	tgatgagacaaataccTATcaagcgggcattga	

Table S4. Primers used for 113 site of *Pf*BAL

Entry	Mutants	Forward Primer (5'-3')	Reverse Primer (5'-3')
1	Q113A	gagacaaataccctcGCAgcgggcattgaccaa	
2	Q113C	gagacaaataccctcTGTgcgggcattgaccaa	
3	Q113D	gagacaaataccctcGATgcgggcattgaccaa	
4	Q113E	gagacaaataccctcGAAgcgggcattgaccaa	
5	Q113F	gagacaaataccctcTTTgcgggcattgaccaa	
6	Q113G	gagacaaataccctcGGTgcgggcattgaccaa	
7	Q113H	gagacaaataccctcCATgcgggcattgaccaa	
8	Q113I	gagacaaataccctcATTgcgggcattgaccaa	ggattttgtctcatcatcacgcagagcggc
9	Q113K	gagacaaataccctcAAAgcgggcattgaccaa	
10	Q113L	gagacaaataccctcCTGgcgggcattgaccaa	
11	Q113M	gagacaaataccctcATGgcgggcattgaccaa	
12	Q113N	gagacaaataccctcAATgcgggcattgaccaa	
13	Q113P	gagacaaataccctcCCGgcgggcattgaccaa	
14	Q113R	gagacaaataccctcCGTgcgggcattgaccaa	

15	Q113S	gagacaaataccctcAGCgcgggcattgaccaa
16	Q113T	gagacaaataccctcACCgcgggcattgaccaa
17	Q113V	gagacaaataccctcGTTgcgggcattgaccaa
18	Q113W	gagacaaataccctcTGGgcgggcattgaccaa
19	Q113Y	gagacaaataccctcTATgcgggcattgaccaa

Table S5. The results of mutants at the amino acid residue L112 and Q113



Entry	enzyme	1a \rightarrow 3a		Entry	enzyme	1a \rightarrow 3a	
		yield	ee.			yield	ee.
1	L112A	0	-	1	Q113A	0	-
2	L112C	11%	91%	2	Q113C	0	-
3	L112D	0	-	3	Q113D	0	-
4	L112E	0	-	4	Q113E	0	-
5	L112F	12%	85%	5	Q113F	0	-
6	L112G	0	-	6	Q113G	0	-
7	L112H	0	-	7	Q113H	0	-
8	L112I	31%	88%	8	Q113I	0	-
9	L112K	0	-	9	Q113K	0	-
10	L112M	6%	93%	10	Q113L	0	-
11	L112N	24%	89%	11	Q113M	0	-
12	L112P	0	-	12	Q113N	0	-
13	L112Q	0	-	13	Q113P	0	-
14	L112R	0	-	14	Q113R	trace	-
15	L112S	9%	78%	15	Q113S	0	-
16	L112T	trace	-	16	Q113T	0	-
17	L112V	9%	90%	17	Q113V	0	-
18	L112W	0	-	18	Q113W	0	-
19	L112Y	0	-	19	Q113Y	0	-

Reaction conditions: **1a** (0.04 mmol, 100 mM), **2** (0.04 mmol, 100 mM), whole cell (400 μ L, 60 mg/mL), ThDP (0.15 mM), MgSO_4 (2.5 mM), PBS buffer (50 mM, pH 8.0), DMSO (5%, v/v), 1000 rpm, 30 $^\circ\text{C}$, 24 h; Yields and ee were determined by HPLC.

Table S6. Primers used for 116 site of *PaBAL*

Entry	Mutants	Forward Primer (5'-3')	Reverse Primer (5'-3')
1	L116A	agttgaacaaatccgGCAcagggcggtattgatca	
2	L116C	agttgaacaaatccgTGTcagggcggtattgatca	
3	L116D	agttgaacaaatccgGATcagggcggtattgatca	
4	L116E	agttgaacaaatccgGAACagggcggtattgatca	
5	L116F	agttgaacaaatccgTTTcagggcggtattgatca	
6	L116G	agttgaacaaatccgGGTcagggcggtattgatca	
7	L116H	agttgaacaaatccgCATcagggcggtattgatca	
8	L116I	agttgaacaaatccgATTcagggcggtattgatca	
9	L116K	AgttgaacaaatccgAAAcagggcggtattgatca	
10	L116M	AgttgaacaaatccgATGcagggcggtattgatca	cggattgtttcaacttctcagagggcgggcgc
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12	L116P	agttgaacaaatccgCCGcagggcggtattgatca	
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14	L116R	agttgaacaaatccgCGTcagggcggtattgatca	
15	L116S	agttgaacaaatccgAGCcagggcggtattgatca	
16	L116T	agttgaacaaatccgACCcagggcggtattgatca	
17	L116V	agttgaacaaatccgGTTcagggcggtattgatca	
18	L116W	agttgaacaaatccgTGGcagggcggtattgatca	
19	L116Y	agttgaacaaatccgTATcagggcggtattgatca	

Table S7. Primers used for 117 site of *PaBAL*

Entry	Mutants	Forward Primer (5'-3')	Reverse Primer (5'-3')
1	Q117A	gttgaacaaatccgctgGCAggcggtattgatcag	
2	Q117C	gttgaacaaatccgctgTGTggcggtattgatcag	
3	Q117D	gttgaacaaatccgctgGATggcggtattgatcag	
4	Q117E	gttgaacaaatccgctgGAAggcggtattgatcag	
5	Q117F	gttgaacaaatccgctgTTTggcggtattgatcag	
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11	Q117M	gttgaacaaatccgctgATGggcggtattgatcag	
12	Q117N	gttgaacaaatccgctgAATggcggtattgatcag	
13	Q117P	gttgaacaaatccgctgCCGggcggtattgatcag	
14	Q117R	gttgaacaaatccgctgCGTggcggtattgatcag	

15	Q117S	gttgaacaaatccgctgAGCggcggtattgatcag
16	Q117T	gttgaacaaatccgctgACCggcggtattgatcag
17	Q117V	gttgaacaaatccgctgGTTggcggtattgatcag
18	Q117W	gttgaacaaatccgctgTGGggcggtattgatcag
19	Q117Y	gttgaacaaatccgctgTATggcggtattgatcag

Table S8. Primers used for 396 site of *PaBAL*

Entry	Mutants	Forward Primer (5'-3')	Reverse Primer (5'-3')
1	G396A	ttatgtgtttgatggcGCAgaaagcagtagctgggg	
2	G396C	ttatgtgtttgatggcTGTgaaagcagtagctgggg	
3	G396D	ttatgtgtttgatggcGATgaaagcagtagctgggg	
4	G396E	ttatgtgtttgatggcGAAgaaagcagtagctgggg	
5	G396F	ttatgtgtttgatggcTTTgaaagcagtagctgggg	
6	G396H	ttatgtgtttgatggcCATgaaagcagtagctgggg	
7	G396I	ttatgtgtttgatggcATTgaaagcagtagctgggg	
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12	G396P	ttatgtgtttgatggcCCGgaaagcagtagctgggg	
13	G396Q	ttatgtgtttgatggcCAGgaaagcagtagctgggg	
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16	G396T	ttatgtgtttgatggcACCgaaagcagtagctgggg	
17	G396V	ttatgtgtttgatggcGTTgaaagcagtagctgggg	
18	G396W	ttatgtgtttgatggcTGGgaaagcagtagctgggg	
19	G396Y	ttatgtgtttgatggcTATgaaagcagtagctgggg	

Table S9. Primers used for 417 site of *PaBAL*

Entry	Mutants	Forward Primer (5'-3')	Reverse Primer (5'-3')
1	H417A	cctgcaagagtctgagtGCAggttatctgggctgc	
2	H417C	cctgcaagagtctgagtTGTggttatctgggctgc	
3	H417D	cctgcaagagtctgagtGATggttatctgggctgc	
4	H417E	cctgcaagagtctgagtGAAggttatctgggctgc	
5	H417F	cctgcaagagtctgagtTTTggttatctgggctgc	actcagaactctgcaggtgcatccactgccac
6	H417G	cctgcaagagtctgagtGGTggttatctgggctgc	
7	H417I	cctgcaagagtctgagtATTggttatctgggctgc	
8	H417K	cctgcaagagtctgagtAAAggttatctgggctgc	
9	H417L	cctgcaagagtctgagtCTGggttatctgggctgc	

10	H417M	cctgcaagagtctgagtATGggttatctgggctgc
11	H417N	cctgcaagagtctgagtAATggttatctgggctgc
12	H417P	cctgcaagagtctgagtCCGggttatctgggctgc
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14	H417R	cctgcaagagtctgagtCGTggttatctgggctgc
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16	H417T	cctgcaagagtctgagtACCggttatctgggctgc
17	H417V	cctgcaagagtctgagtGTTggttatctgggctgc
18	H417W	cctgcaagagtctgagtTGGggttatctgggctgc
19	H417Y	cctgcaagagtctgagtTATggttatctgggctgc

Table S10. Primers used for 421 site of *PaBAL*

Entry	Mutants	Forward Primer (5'-3')	Reverse Primer (5'-3')
1	G421A	gagtcatggttatctgGCAtgcctgggcattggtcc	
2	G421C	gagtcatggttatctgTGTgcctgggcattggtcc	
3	G421D	gagtcatggttatctgGATgcctgggcattggtcc	
4	G421E	gagtcatggttatctgGAAtgcctgggcattggtcc	
5	G421F	gagtcatggttatctgTTTgcctgggcattggtcc	
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16	G421T	gagtcatggttatctgACCTgcctgggcattggtcc	
17	G421V	gagtcatggttatctgGTTgcctgggcattggtcc	
18	G421W	gagtcatggttatctgTGGtcctgggcattggtcc	
19	G421Y	gagtcatggttatctgTATgcctgggcattggtcc	

Table S11. Primers used for 480 site of *PaBAL*

Entry	Mutants	Forward Primer (5'-3')	Reverse Primer (5'-3')
1	M480A	ataatcaggtgtggggcGCAagtattcatggccag	
2	M480C	ataatcaggtgtggggcTGTagtattcatggccag	gccccacacctgattattcagaatcacggt
3	M480D	ataatcaggtgtggggcGATagtattcatggccag	
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16	M480T	ataatcaggtgtggggcACC	agtattcatggccag
17	M480V	ataatcaggtgtggggcGTT	agtattcatggccag
18	M480W	ataatcaggtgtggggcTGG	agtattcatggccag
19	M480Y	ataatcaggtgtggggcTAT	agtattcatggccag

Table S12. Primers used for 556 site of *PaBAL*

Entry	Mutants	Forward Primer (5'-3')	Reverse Primer (5'-3')
1	M556A	atccggccaccgttgcaGCA	ctgggtcaattag
2	M556C	atccggccaccgttgcaTGT	ctgggtcaattag
3	M556D	atccggccaccgttgcaGAT	ctgggtcaattag
4	M556E	atccggccaccgttgcaGAA	ctgggtcaattag
5	M556F	atccggccaccgttgcaTTT	ctgggtcaattag
6	M556G	atccggccaccgttgcaGGT	ctgggtcaattag
7	M556H	atccggccaccgttgcaCAT	ctgggtcaattag
8	M556I	atccggccaccgttgcaATT	ctgggtcaattag
9	M556K	atccggccaccgttgcaAAA	ctgggtcaattag
10	M556L	atccggccaccgttgcaCTG	ctgggtcaattag
11	M556N	atccggccaccgttgcaAAT	ctgggtcaattag
12	M556P	atccggccaccgttgcaCCG	ctgggtcaattag
13	M556Q	atccggccaccgttgcaCAG	ctgggtcaattag
14	M556R	atccggccaccgttgcaCGT	ctgggtcaattag
15	M556S	atccggccaccgttgcaAGC	ctgggtcaattag
16	M556T	atccggccaccgttgcaACC	ctgggtcaattag
17	M556V	atccggccaccgttgcaGTT	ctgggtcaattag
18	M556W	atccggccaccgttgcaTGG	ctgggtcaattag
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Table S13. Primers used for 571 site of *PaBAL*

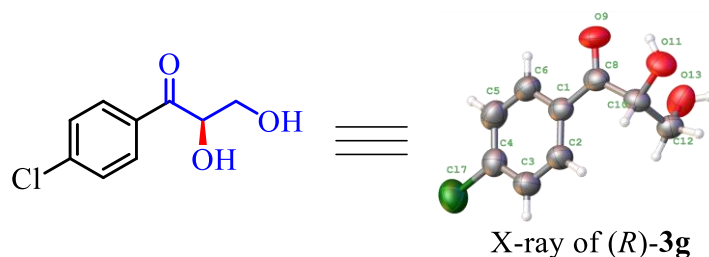
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1	Y571A	gccgtgatattatgattccgGCAtacgagaacatc	
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3	Y571D	gccgtgatattatgattccgGATtacgagaacatc	
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15	Y571R	gccgtgatattatgattccgCGTtacgagaacatc	
16	Y571S	gccgtgatattatgattccgAGCtacgagaacatc	
17	Y571T	gccgtgatattatgattccgACCTacgagaacatc	
18	Y571V	gccgtgatattatgattccgGTTtacgagaacatc	
19	Y571W	gccgtgatattatgattccgTGGtacgagaacatc	

Table S14. Primers used for mutants G421S_H417 of *PaBAL*

Entry	Mutants	Forward Primer (5'-3')	Reverse Primer (5'-3')
1	H417A_G421S	aagagttctgagtGCAggttatctgAGCtgcc	
2	H417C_G421S	aagagttctgagtTGTggttatctgAGCtgcc	
3	H417D_G421S	aagagttctgagtGATggttatctgAGCtgcc	
4	H417E_G421S	aagagttctgagtGAAggttatctgAGCtgcc	
5	H417F_G421S	aagagttctgagtTTTggttatctgAGCtgcc	
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7	H417I_G421S	aagagttctgagtATTggttatctgAGCtgcc	
8	H417K_G421S	aagagttctgagtAAAggttatctgAGCtgcc	actcagaactcttcaggtgcatccactgccac
9	H417L_G421S	aagagttctgagtCTGggttatctgAGCtgcc	
10	H417M_G421S	aagagttctgagtATGggttatctgAGCtgcc	
11	H417N_G421S	aagagttctgagtAATggttatctgAGCtgcc	
12	H417P_G421S	aagagttctgagtCCGggttatctgAGCtgcc	
13	H417Q_G421S	aagagttctgagtCAGggttatctgAGCtgcc	
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17	H417V_G421S	aagagttctgagtGTTggttatctgAGCtgcc
18	H417W_G421S	aagagttctgagtTGGggttatctgAGCtgcc
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Table S15. Crystal data and structure refinement for (*R*)-**3g**



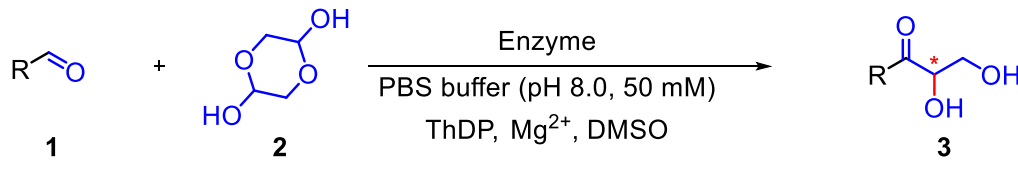
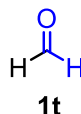
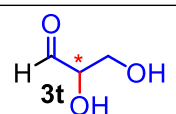
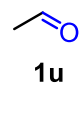

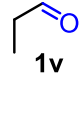
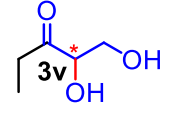
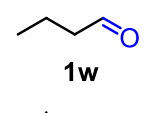
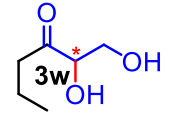
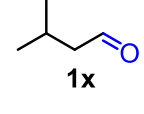
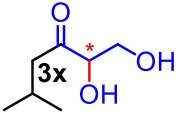
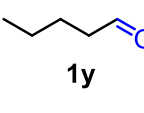
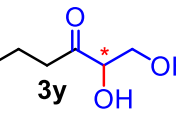
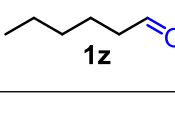
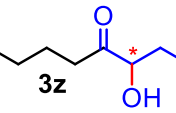
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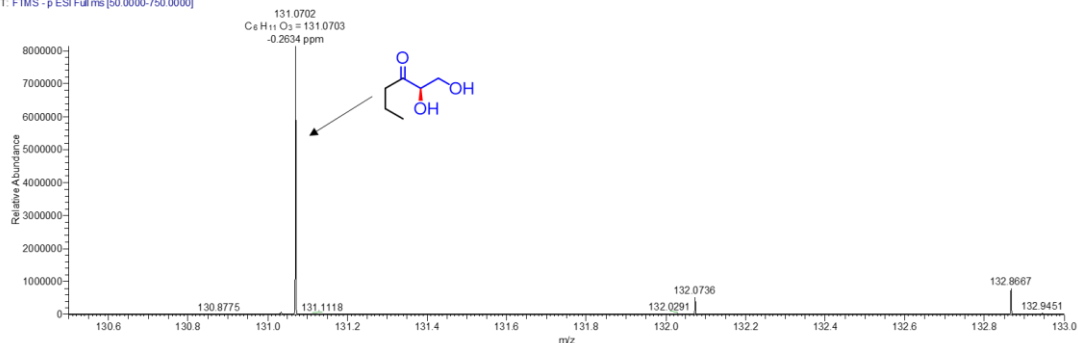
12. Substrate Scope of Aliphatic Aldehydes

The reaction mixture contains substrate **1** (0.01 mmol), **2** (0.01 mmol), DMSO (5%, v/v), ThDP (0.15 mM), MgSO_4 (2.5 mM) and PBS (50 mM, pH 8.0, 0.4 mL) supplemented with 200 mg/mL whole cell of *PfBAL_A28S*. And the reactions were shaken at 1000 rpm, 30 °C for 24 h on the dry thermostat metal bath JX-10. Then 1 mL EtOAc was added to the reaction extracted the products by centrifugation at 12,000 rpm for 1 min. The product was concentrated by the rotary evaporator and added 0.5 mL MeOH. Product identification by TLC and HRMS.

Table S16. The results of evaluation on substrate scope of aliphatic aldehydes

Aliphatic aldehyde	Product	<i>PfBAL_A28S</i> (yield)	<i>PaBAL M3</i> (yield)
 $\text{R-CHO} + \text{ThDP} \xrightarrow[\text{ThDP, Mg}^{2+}, \text{DMSO}]{\text{Enzyme, PBS buffer (pH 8.0, 50 mM)}} \text{R-CH(OH)-CH(OH)-OH}$			
 1t	 3t	-	-
 1u	 3u	-	-
 1v	 3v	-	-
 1w	 3w	trace	-
 1x	 3x	trace	-
 1y	 3y	trace	-
 1z	 3z	trace	-

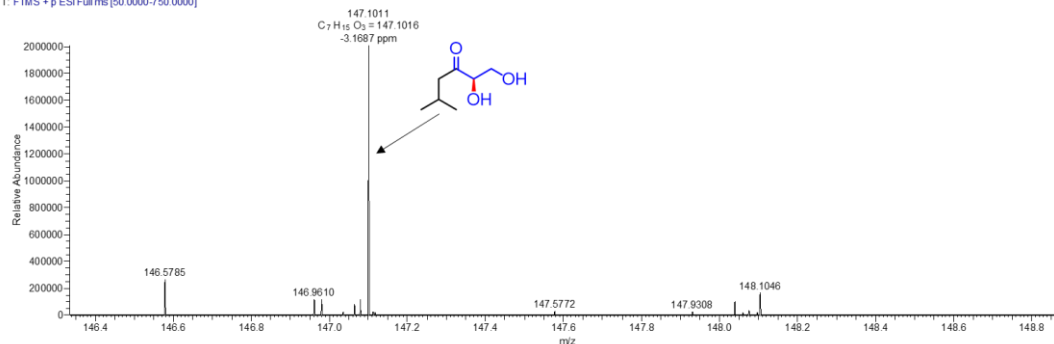
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HRMS of **3w**

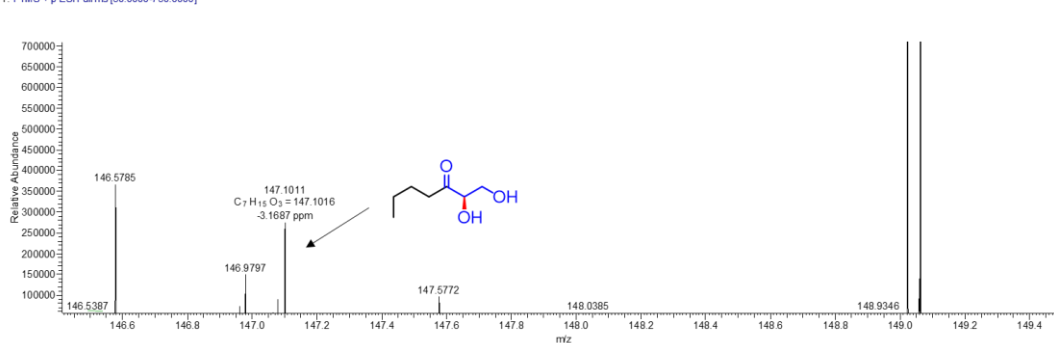
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HRMS of **3x**

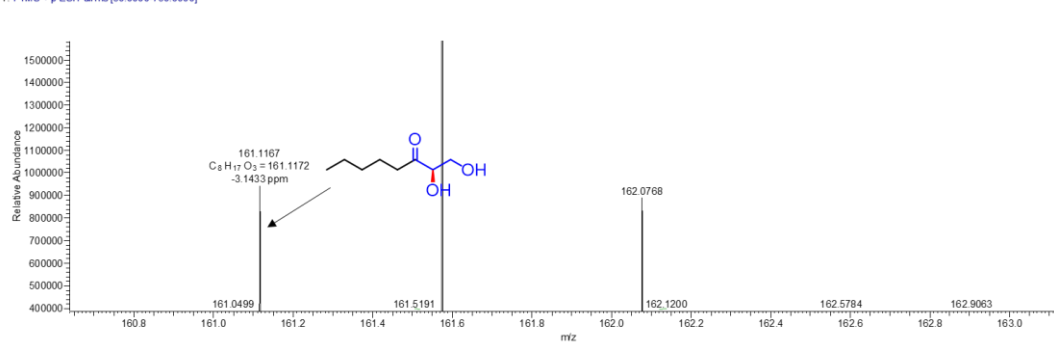
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HRMS of **3y**

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T: FTMS + p ESI Full ms [50 0000-750 0000]



HRMS (ESI, m/z): calcd for $C_8H_{17}O_3$ [M+H]⁺: 161.1172, found: 161.1167.

HRMS of **3z**

13. The higher substrate concentrations of **1c** and **2** for *PfBAL_A28S*

Different concentrations of **1c** or **2** (final concentrations: 200 mM, 300 mM, 400 mM, 500 mM, 600 mM and 800 mM) were added to the reaction. The reaction mixture also contains DMSO (5%, v/v), ThDP (0.15 mM), MgSO₄ (2.5 mM) and PBS (50 mM, pH 8.0, 0.4 mL) supplemented with 60 mg/mL whole cell of *PfBAL_A28S*. And the reactions were shaken at 1000 rpm, 30 °C for 24 h on the dry thermostat metal bath JX-10. Then 1mL EtOAc was added to the reaction (three times) and extracted the products by centrifugation at 12,000 rpm for 1 min. The product was concentrated by the rotary evaporator and added 0.5 mL EtOAc containing 1,3,5-trimethoxybenzene (0.5 equiv.) as internal standard. The yields were determined by ¹H NMR and ee were determined by HPLC.

A 40 mL-scale preparative reaction consisted of substrate **1c** (500 mM) and **2** (500 mM) also was conducted, the procedure of products was similar to that as described above.

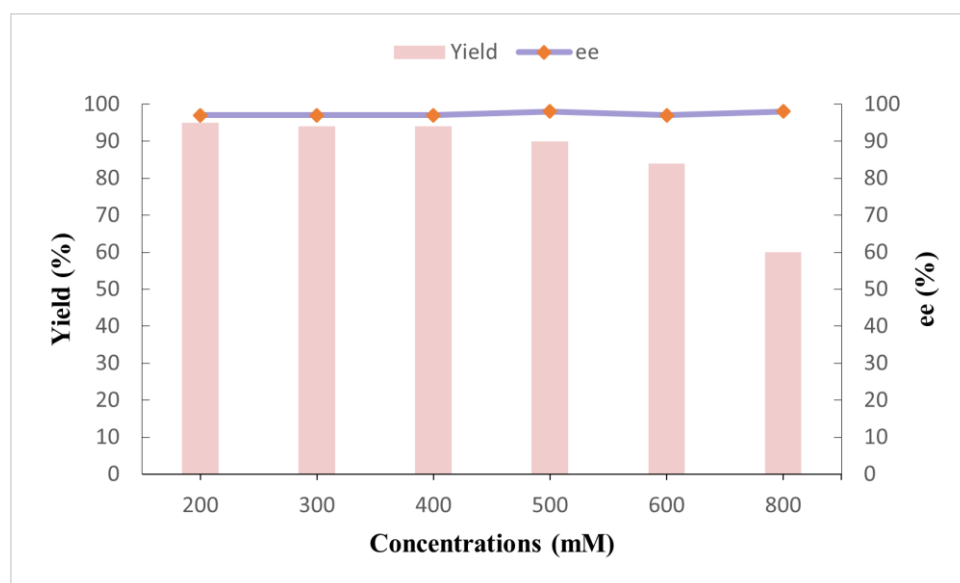
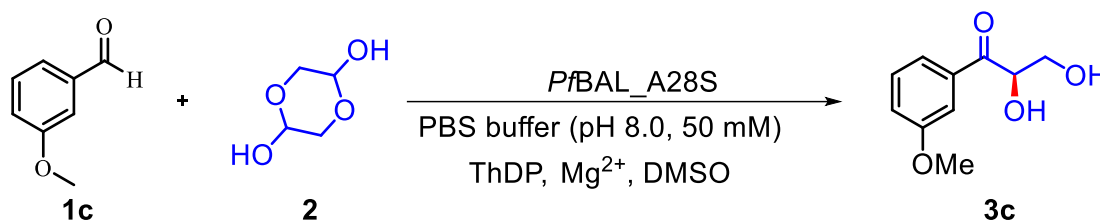


Figure S23. The results of *PfBAL_A28S* catalysis at different substrate concentrations.

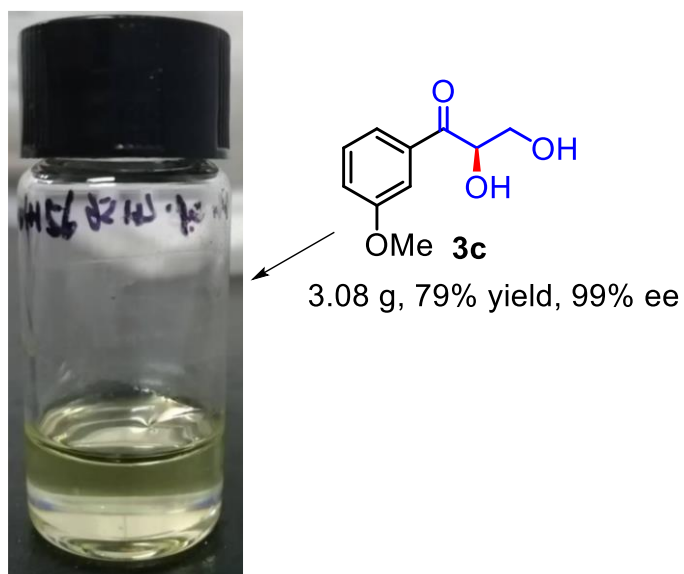
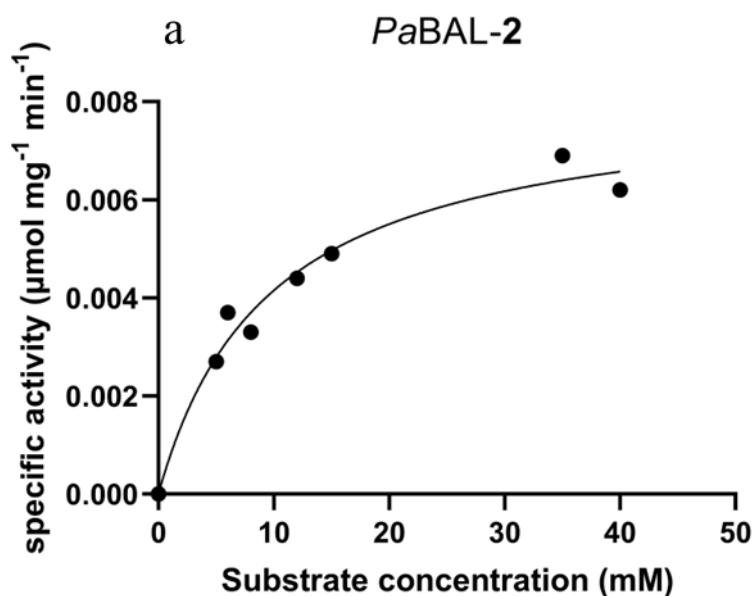


Figure S24. Compound **3c** produced at a 40 mL-scale preparative reaction containing 500 mM substrates.

14. Kinetic characterisation of positive wild-type *PaBAL* and *PaBAL* M3 towards **1a** or **2**

The reaction mixture contained 1~3 mg purified enzyme, 50 mM **1a** or **2**, 0.15 mM ThDP, 2.5 mM MgSO₄, 5% DMSO (v/v) and PBS (50 mM, pH 8.0). Different concentrations of **1a** or **2** were added to start the reaction and maintain conversion below 20% during each reaction. The yields were determined by RP-HPLC.



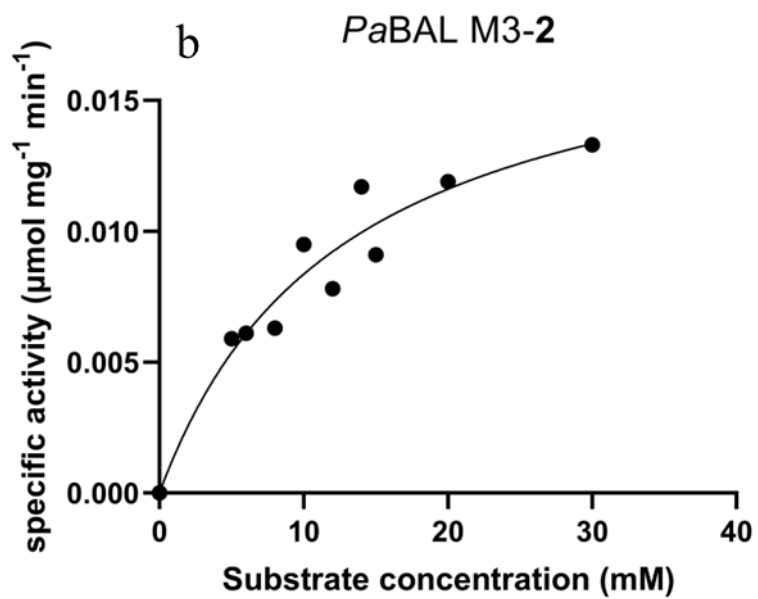
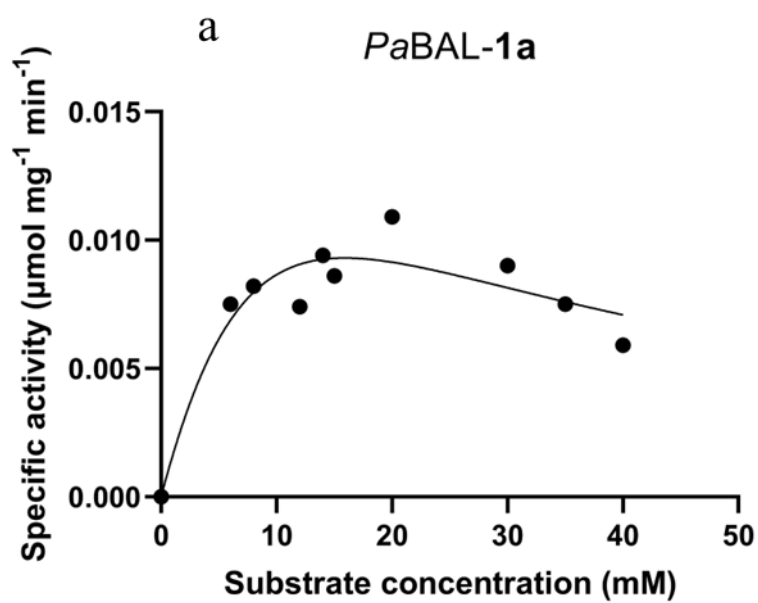


Figure S25. Dynamic fitting curve of different concentrations 2 and 50 mM **1a**. a, wild-type *PaBAL*. b, *PaBAL M3*.



$\times 12.5 \times 10.0$ nm, containing about 130,000 atoms in total.

The Amber14SB force field was used to simulate the protein^[7], while the Generalized Amber Force Field (GAFF) was applied to the ligand⁵, with the topology files generated using Sobtop. The equilibrium geometry of each ligand was optimized at the B3LYP--D3(BJ)/def2-SVP level using Gaussian16 (A.0.3)^[8], and the atomic charges were derived via the RESP_{2.0.5} method based on the electrostatic potential calculated from B3LYP/def2-TZVP level using Multiwfn^[9] In MD simulations, the system was first energy-minimized, followed by linear heating from 0 K to 298.15 K over 1 ns to equilibrate the solvent environment. In this stage, the temperature and pressure were maintained via the velocity-rescale thermostat and Berendsen's barostat^[10] Subsequently, a pre-equilibration simulation of 50 ns was conducted under NPT conditions using the velocity-rescale thermostat and Parrinello-Rahman isotropic barostat to relax the protein structure and reach conformational equilibrium^[11]. And finally a simulation of 150 ns was conducted and treated as the equilibrated ensemble for statistical analysis. The binding free energy was calculated using GMX_MMPBSA code^[12].

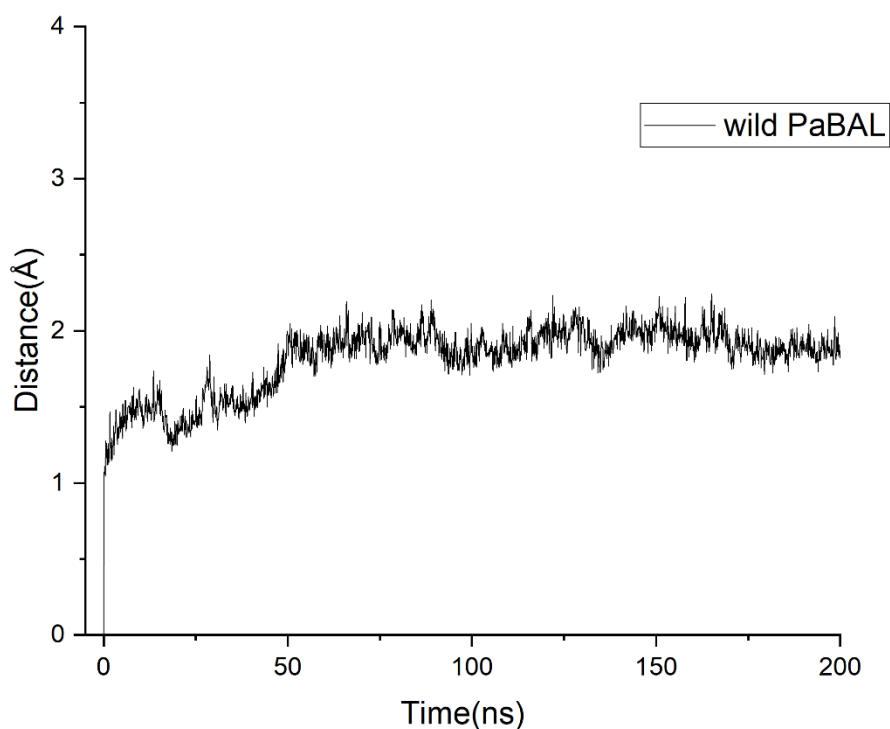


Figure S27. The root mean square deviation (RMSD) of wild *PaBAL* backbone heavy atoms relative to the first snapshot during the 200 ns MD simulation.

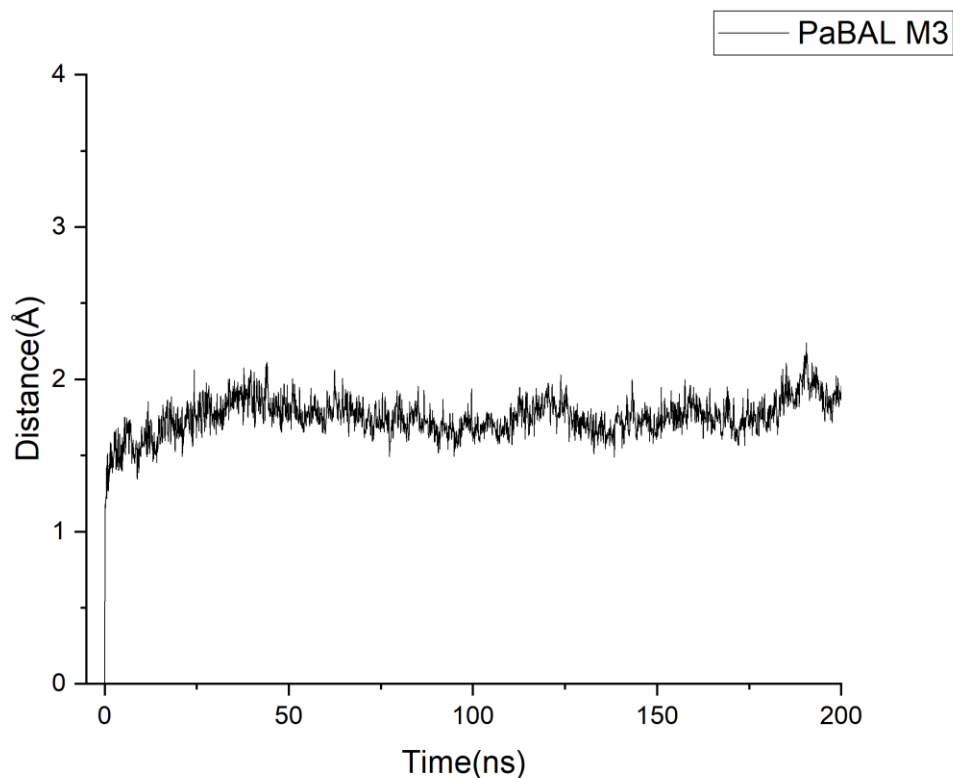
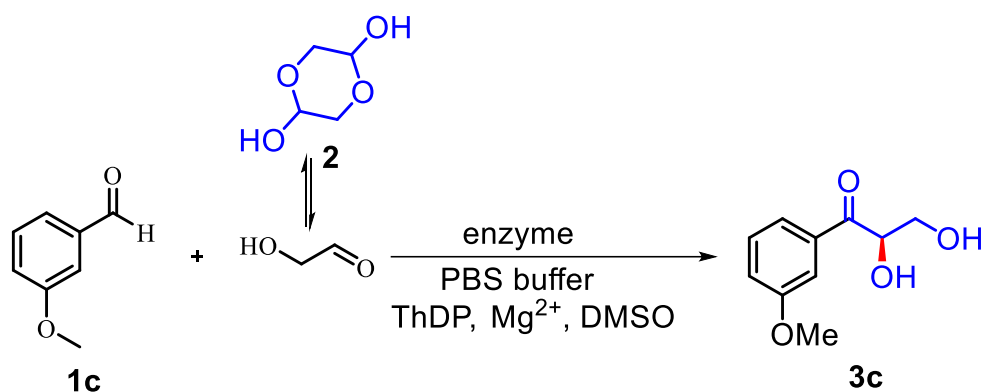


Figure S28. The root mean square deviation (RMSD) of wild *PaBAL* M3 backbone heavy atoms relative to the first snapshot during the 200 ns MD simulation.

Table S18. Binding energies of wild-type *PaBAL* and *PaBAL* M3 with Breslow intermediate, computed using the MM-PBSA method.

Energy (kcal/mol)	wild-type <i>PaBAL</i>	<i>PaBAL</i> M3
ΔE_{vdw}	-53.19 ± 2.43	-54.56 ± 2.11
ΔE_{elec}	-36.29 ± 0.65	-48.98 ± 1.33
$\Delta E_{\text{pb, elec}}$	37.62 ± 0.17	46.37 ± 0.68
ΔE_{npolar}	-7.66 ± 0.05	-8.21 ± 0.02
ΔG_{bind}	-59.53 ± 2.52	-65.37 ± 2.59

16. The cost and economic analysis



$$AE = \frac{\text{molecular weight of the product}}{\text{sum of molecular weights of all the stoichiometric reagents}}$$

$$E\text{-factor} = \frac{\text{mass of waste}}{\text{mass of the product}}$$

Table S19. Cost Statistics for Producing 9.72 g of **3c**

Entry	unit price	cost (CNY)
Substrate- 1c	1.024 CNY/g	8.36
Substrate- 2	19.032 CNY/g	137.03
ThDP	81.75 CNY/g	3.58
MgSO ₄	0.116 CNY/g	0.02
Na ₂ HPO ₄	0.043 CNY/g	0.15
KH ₂ PO ₄	0.0765 CNY/g	0.1
NaCl	0.0425 CNY/g	1.34
KCl	0.585 CNY/g	0.01
DMSO	0.0442 CNY/mL	1.11
Tryptone	0.64 CNY/g	19.2
Yeast Extract	0.336 CNY/g	5.04
Wahaha Purified Water	1.38 CNY/L	4.14
Ethyl Acetate	13 CNY/L	1.3
Na ₂ SO ₄	0.05 CNY/g	0.05
Silica gel	0.0475 CNY/g	0.1
Power charge	0.53 CNY/kWh	14.76
Total Cost:		196.28 CNY
Cost for producing 1 g of 3c :		¥20.19

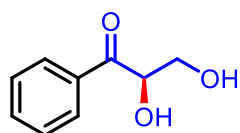
Table S20. Some metrics for enzymatic synthesis of compound **3c**

AE (atom economy)	E-factor	Cost
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	<i>PfBAL_A28S</i>	Organic NHC	
100%	6.1	271	20.19 CNY/g

We mainly summarized the metrics from the preparative reaction at a 500 mL scale. The substrate **2** can be hydrolyzed in water to glycolaldehyde and then participate in the reaction. No loss of atoms was observed. The E-factor of the synthetic route employing organic NHC is significantly higher than that of the enzymatic synthesis. The reason lies in the poor recoverability of organic solvents like THF in the chemical synthetic route, and low yield. The calculated cost for producing 1 g of compound **3c** is 20.19 RMB.

17. Characterization data of the products



(R)-**3a**

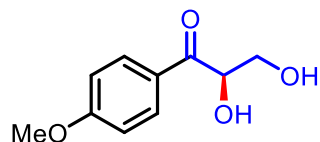
(R)-2,3-dihydroxy-1-phenylpropan-1-one: slightly yellow oil, 88% yield (*PfBAL_A28S*), 32% yield (*PaBAL M3*).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.92 – 7.88 (m, 2H), 7.57 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 5.18 (dd, J = 5.0, 3.1 Hz, 1H), 3.99 (dd, J = 11.9, 3.1 Hz, 1H), 3.76 – 3.71 (m, J = 5.0, 11.9 Hz 1H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.7, 134.2, 133.7, 128.9, 128.6, 74.9, 65.2.

HPLC analysis: 97% ee (*PfBAL_A28S*, *R*), 95% ee (*PaBAL M3*, *S*); DAICEL IA (*n*-hexane: *i*-PrOH = 95:5, Flow rate = 0.8 mL/min, UV = 250 nm): $t_{R-major}$ = 32.950 min (*PfBAL_A28S*) and $t_{R-major}$ = 29.670 min (*PaBAL M3*).

HRMS (ESI, m/z): calcd for C₉H₉O₃ [M-H]⁻: 165.0548, found: 165.0546.



(R)-**3b**

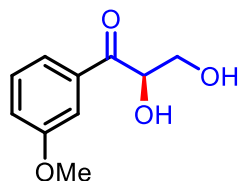
(R)-2,3-dihydroxy-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)propan-1-one: slightly yellow oil, 66% yield (*PfBAL_A28S*).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.92 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 6.96 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 5.14 – 5.09 (m, 1H), 4.02 – 3.97 (m, 1H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 3.71 (m, 1H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 197.6, 164.6, 131.1, 126.4, 114.3, 74.3, 65.8, 55.7.

HPLC analysis: 99% ee (*PfBAL_A28S, R*); DAICEL IA (*n*-hexane: *i*-PrOH = 90:10, Flow rate = 0.8 mL/min, UV = 250 nm): $t_{R\text{-major}}$ = 32.892 min (*PfBAL_A28S*).

HRMS (ESI, *m/z*): calcd for $C_{10}H_{11}O_4$ $[M-H]^-$: 195.0656, found: 195.0652.



(*R*)-**3c**

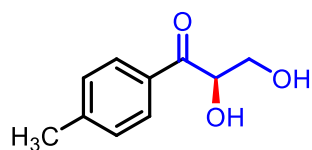
(*R*)-2,3-dihydroxy-1-(3-methoxyphenyl)propan-1-one: slightly yellow oil, 93% yield (*PfBAL_A28S*), 55% yield (*PaBAL M3*).

1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.48 – 7.42 (m, 2H), 7.37 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.13 (dd, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 5.14 (dd, J = 4.9, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 3.99 (dd, J = 11.8, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 3.75 (dd, J = 11.8, 4.9 Hz, 1H).

^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 199.5, 160.0, 135.0, 130.0, 121.1, 120.7, 113.0, 75.0, 65.4, 55.5.

HPLC analysis: 94% ee (*PfBAL_A28S, R*), 92% ee (*PaBAL M3, S*); DAICEL IA (*n*-hexane: *i*-PrOH = 90:10, Flow rate = 0.8 mL/min, UV = 250 nm): $t_{R\text{-major}}$ = 24.040 min (*PfBAL_A28S*) and $t_{R\text{-major}}$ = 26.410 min (*PaBAL M3*).

HRMS (ESI, *m/z*): calcd for $C_{10}H_{11}O_4$ $[M-H]^-$: 195.0656, found: 195.0652.



(*R*)-**3d**

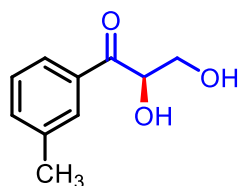
(*R*)-2,3-dihydroxy-1-(*p*-tolyl)propan-1-one: slightly yellow oil, 92% yield (*PfBAL_A28S*), 36% yield (*PaBAL M3*).

1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.83 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.30 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 5.14 (dd, J = 5.2, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 4.00 (dd, J = 11.7, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 3.73 (dd, J = 11.7, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 2.42 (s, 3H).

^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 199.0, 145.6, 131.0, 129.8, 128.8, 74.6, 65.6, 21.9.

HPLC analysis: 99% ee (*PfBAL_A28S, R*), 94% ee (*PaBAL M3, S*); DAICEL IA (*n*-hexane: *i*-PrOH = 90:10, Flow rate = 0.8 mL/min, UV = 250 nm): $t_{R\text{-major}}$ = 21.617 min (*PfBAL_A28S*) and $t_{R\text{-major}}$ = 19.718 min (*PaBAL M3*).

HRMS (ESI, *m/z*): calcd for $C_{10}H_{11}O_3$ $[M-H]^-$: 179.0704, found: 179.0703.



(*R*)-**3e**

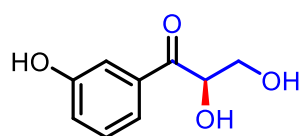
(R)-2,3-dihydroxy-1-(m-tolyl)propan-1-one: slightly yellow oil, 89% yield (*PfBAL_A28S*), 30% yield (*PaBAL M3*).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.74 (s, 1H), 7.71 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.43 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.38 (dd, $J = 7.6, 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 5.16 (dd, $J = 5.0, 3.2$ Hz, 1H), 4.01 (dd, $J = 11.8, 3.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.74 (dd, $J = 11.8, 5.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.41 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.7, 139.1, 135.2, 133.6, 129.2, 128.9, 125.9, 74.8, 65.5, 21.4.

HPLC analysis: 98% ee (*PfBAL_A28S, R*), 90% ee (*PaBAL M3, S*); DAICEL OD-H (*n*-hexane: *i*-PrOH = 95:5, Flow rate = 0.8 mL/min, UV = 250 nm): $t_{R-major} = 28.420$ min (*PfBAL_A28S*) and $t_{R-major} = 24.627$ min (*PaBAL M3*).

HRMS (ESI, m/z): calcd for C₁₀H₁₁O₃ [M-H]⁻: 179.0704, found: 179.0703.



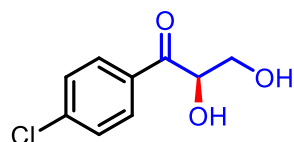
(*R*)-3f

(R)-2,3-dihydroxy-1-(3-hydroxyphenyl)propan-1-one: slightly yellow oil, 87% yield (*PfBAL_A28S*).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 9.77 (s, 1H), 7.42 (m, 1H), 7.34 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.02 (m, 1H), 5.18 (d, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 1H), 4.96 – 4.88 (m, 1H), 4.77 (m, 1H), 3.74 – 3.65 (m, 1H), 3.59 (m, 1H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 200.4, 157.5, 136.7, 129.7, 120.3, 119.4, 114.7, 74.6, 64.1.

HRMS (ESI, m/z): calcd for C₉H₉O₄ [M-H]⁻: 181.0494, found: 181.0495.



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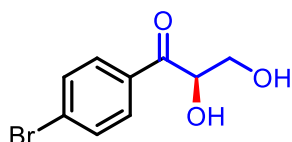
(R)-1-(4-chlorophenyl)-2,3-dihydroxypropan-1-one: slightly yellow oil, 80% yield (*PfBAL_A28S*), 15% yield (*PaBAL M3*).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 8.01 (d, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 2H), 7.59 (d, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 2H), 5.38 (s, 1H), 4.93 (m, 1H), 4.82 (s, 1H), 3.73 – 3.58 (m, 2H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 199.8, 138.0, 134.2, 130.5, 128.7, 74.8, 63.9.

HPLC analysis: 97% ee (*PfBAL_A28S, R*), 80% ee (*PaBAL M3, S*); DAICEL IA (*n*-hexane: *i*-PrOH = 90:10, Flow rate = 0.8 mL/min, UV = 250 nm): $t_{R-major} = 22.861$ min (*PfBAL_A28S*) and $t_{R-major} = 19.363$ min (*PaBAL M3*).

HRMS (ESI, m/z): calcd for C₉H₈O₃Cl [M-H]⁻: 199.0157, found: 199.0157.



(*R*)-3h

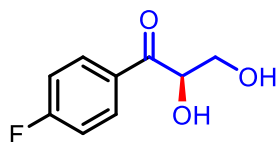
(*R*)-1-(4-bromophenyl)-2,3-dihydroxypropan-1-one: slightly yellow oil, 64% yield (*PfBAL_A28S*), 15% yield (*PaBAL M3*).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 7.92 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.73 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 5.38 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 4.92 (m, 1H), 4.82 (t, *J* = 5.8 Hz, 1H), 3.66 (m, 2H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 200.0, 134.5, 131.6, 130.6, 127.2, 74.8, 63.9.

HPLC analysis: 97% ee (*PfBAL_A28S, R*), 79% ee (*PaBAL M3, S*); DAICEL IA (*n*-hexane: *i*-PrOH = 90:10, Flow rate = 0.8 mL/min, UV = 250 nm): *t*_{R-major} = 24.624 min (*PfBAL_A28S*) and *t*_{R-major} = 20.936 min (*PaBAL M3*).

HRMS (ESI, *m/z*): calcd for C₉H₈O₃Br [M-H]⁻: 242.9656 found: 242.9651.



(*R*)-3i

(*R*)-1-(4-fluorophenyl)-2,3-dihydroxypropan-1-one: slightly yellow oil, 84% yield (*PfBAL_A28S*), 13% yield (*PaBAL M3*).

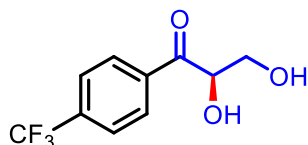
¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 8.07 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.34 (t, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 5.33 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 4.96 – 4.90 (m, 1H), 4.80 (t, *J* = 5.8 Hz, 1H), 3.66 (m, 2H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 199.3, 165.0 (d, *J* = 251.8 Hz), 132.2 (d, *J* = 2.9 Hz), 131.6 (d, *J* = 9.4 Hz), 115.6 (d, *J* = 21.7 Hz), 74.7, 64.0.

¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ -106.00.

HPLC analysis: 98% ee (*PfBAL_A28S, R*), 86% ee (*PaBAL M3, S*); DAICEL IA (*n*-hexane: *i*-PrOH = 90:10, Flow rate = 0.8 mL/min, UV = 250 nm): *t*_{R-major} = 21.962 min (*PfBAL_A28S*) and *t*_{R-major} = 18.701 min (*PaBAL M3*).

HRMS (ESI, *m/z*): calcd for C₉H₈O₃F [M-H]⁻: 183.0450, found: 183.0452.



(*R*)-3j

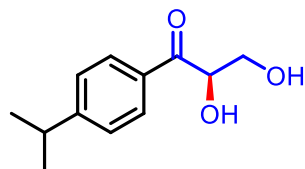
(*R*)-2,3-dihydroxy-1-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)propan-1-one: slightly yellow oil, 92% yield (*PfBAL_A28S*).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 8.16 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.89 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 5.49 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.99 – 4.94 (m, 1H), 4.86 (t, *J* = 5.7 Hz, 1H), 3.70 (m, 2H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 200.6, 139.0, 132.3 (q, $J = 31.9$ Hz), 129.4, 125.5 (d, $J = 3.7$ Hz), 123.8 (q, $J = 251.3$ Hz), 75.1, 63.8.

¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ -61.60.

HRMS (ESI, m/z): calcd for C₁₀H₈O₃F₃ [M-H]⁻: 233.0421, found: 233.0420.



(*R*)-3k

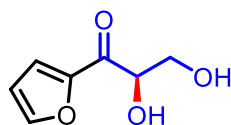
(*R*)-2,3-dihydroxy-1-(4-isopropylphenyl)propan-1-one: slightly yellow oil, 54% yield (*Pf*BAL_A28S), 44% yield (*Pa*BAL M3).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.86 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.33 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 5.15 (dd, $J = 5.1, 3.2$ Hz, 1H), 4.01 (dd, $J = 11.8, 3.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.73 (dd, $J = 11.8, 5.1$ Hz, 1H), 2.96 (m, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 1H), 1.25 (d, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 6H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.0, 158.5, 130.9, 128.7, 126.1, 74.7, 65.6, 35.4, 31.1.

HPLC analysis: 98% ee (*Pf*BAL_A28S, *R*), 95% ee (*Pa*BAL M3, *S*); DAICEL IA (*n*-hexane: *i*-PrOH = 90:10, Flow rate = 0.8 mL/min, UV = 250 nm): $t_{R-major} = 18.308$ min (*Pf*BAL_A28S) and $t_{R-major} = 14.746$ min (*Pa*BAL M3).

HRMS (ESI, m/z): calcd for C₁₂H₁₅O₃[M-H]⁻: 207.1019, found: 207.1016.



(*R*)-3l

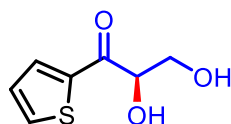
(*R*)-1-(furan-2-yl)-2,3-dihydroxypropan-1-one: slightly yellow oil, 42% yield (*Pf*BAL_A28S).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 8.00 (s, 1H), 7.54 (d, $J = 3.6$ Hz, 1H), 6.73 – 6.70 (m, 1H), 5.40 (d, $J = 6.2$ Hz, 1H), 4.81 (t, $J = 5.9$ Hz, 1H), 4.63 (m, 1H), 3.65 (m, 2H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 188.9, 150.8, 147.8, 119.9, 112.4, 74.8, 64.0.

HPLC analysis: 84% ee (*Pf*BAL_A28S, *R*); DAICEL IA (*n*-hexane: *i*-PrOH = 90:10, Flow rate = 0.8 mL/min, UV = 250 nm): $t_{R-major} = 27.557$ min (*Pf*BAL_A28S).

HRMS (ESI, m/z): calcd for C₇H₇O₄[M-H]⁻: 155.0340, found: 155.0339.



(*R*)-3m

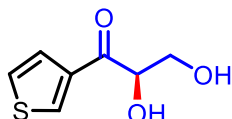
(*R*)-2,3-dihydroxy-1-(thiophen-2-yl)propan-1-one: slightly yellow oil, 72% yield (*Pf*BAL_A28S), 9% yield (*Pa*BAL M3).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.82 (d, *J* = 3.9 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (d, *J* = 5.0 Hz, 1H), 7.23 – 7.18 (m, *J* = 3.9, 5.0 Hz 1H), 4.99 – 4.95 (m, 1H), 4.06 (dd, *J* = 11.7, 3.4 Hz, 1H), 3.87 (dd, *J* = 11.7, 5.1 Hz, 1H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.8 139.8 135.5 133.5, 128.7, 75.3, 66.2.

HPLC analysis: 93% ee (*Pf*BAL_A28S, *R*), 92% ee (*Pa*BAL M3, *S*); DAICEL IC (*n*-hexane: *i*-PrOH = 85:15, Flow rate = 0.8 mL/min, UV = 250 nm): *t*_{R-major} = 23.483 min (*Pf*BAL_A28S) and *t*_{R-major} = 27.507 min (*Pa*BAL M3).

HRMS (ESI, *m/z*): calcd for C₇H₇O₃S [M-H]⁻: 171.0109, found: 171.0110.



(*R*)-**3n**

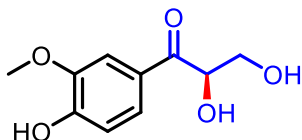
(*R*)-**2,3-dihydroxy-1-(thiophen-3-yl)propan-1-one**: slightly yellow oil, 76% yield (*Pf*BAL_A28S).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.19 (dd, *J* = 2.9, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (dd, *J* = 5.1, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (dd, *J* = 5.1, 2.9 Hz, 1H), 4.96 (m, 1H), 4.02 (dd, *J* = 11.8, 3.3 Hz, 1H), 3.80 (dd, *J* = 11.8, 5.0 Hz, 1H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.4, 138.1, 133.9, 127.2, 127.0, 75.7, 65.7.

HPLC analysis: 95% ee (*Pf*BAL_A28S, *R*); DAICEL IA (*n*-hexane: *i*-PrOH = 90:10, Flow rate = 0.8 mL/min, UV = 250 nm): *t*_{R-major} = 27.178 min (*Pf*BAL_A28S).

HRMS (ESI, *m/z*): calcd for C₇H₇O₃S [M-H]⁻: 171.0109, found: 171.0110.



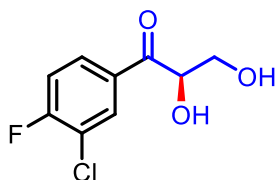
(*R*)-**3o**

(*R*)-**2,3-dihydroxy-1-(4-hydroxy-3-methoxyphenyl)propan-1-one**: slightly yellow oil, 88% yield (*Pf*BAL_A28S).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 10.02 (s, 1H), 7.58 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (s, 1H), 6.89 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 5.06 (s, 1H), 4.99 (m, *J* = 4.2, 11.3 Hz, 1H), 4.76 (s, 1H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.72 (d, *J* = 11.3 Hz, 1H), 3.64 (d, *J* = 4.2 Hz, 1H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 198.5, 152.0, 147.7, 127.1, 123.8, 115.1, 111.9, 74.1, 64.7, 55.8.

HRMS (ESI, *m/z*): calcd for C₁₀H₁₁O₅ [M-H]⁻: 211.0600, found: 211.0601.



(*R*)-3p

(*R*)-1-(3-chloro-4-fluorophenyl)-2,3-dihydroxypropan-1-one: slightly yellow oil, 81% yield (*PfBAL_A28S*), 24% yield (*PaBAL M3*).

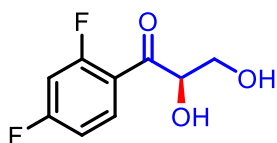
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.97 (dd, *J* = 7.0, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 7.81 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 7.21 (t, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 5.15 – 5.11 (m, 1H), 3.98 (dd, *J* = 12.0, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 3.76 (dd, *J* = 12.0, 4.9 Hz, 1H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 197.5, 161.6 (d, *J* = 259.0 Hz), 131.6, 131.1 (d, *J* = 3.7 Hz), 129.2 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz), 122.4 (d, *J* = 18.3 Hz), 117.3 (d, *J* = 21.8 Hz), 75.0, 64.9.

¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -104.90.

HPLC analysis: 97% ee (*PfBAL_A28S*, *R*), 84% ee (*PaBAL M3*, *S*); DAICEL IA (*n*-hexane: *i*-PrOH = 90:10, Flow rate = 0.8 mL/min, UV = 250 nm): *t*_{R-major} = 18.463 min (*PfBAL_A28S*) and *t*_{R-major} = 16.105 min (*PaBAL M3*).

HRMS (ESI, *m/z*): calcd for C₉H₇O₃ClF [M-H]⁻: 217.0025, found: 217.0062.



(*R*)-3q

(*R*)-1-(2,4-difluorophenyl)-2,3-dihydroxypropan-1-one: slightly yellow oil, 66% yield (*PfBAL_A28S*).

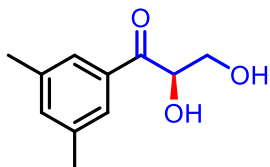
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.01 – 7.93 (m, 1H), 7.04 – 6.97 (m, 1H), 6.90 (m, 1H), 5.01 (m, *J* = 1.8, 3.3 Hz, 1H), 3.99 (dd, *J* = 12.1, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 3.80 (m, *J* = 12.1, 3.3 Hz, 1H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.8 (d, *J* = 4.6 Hz), 166.7 (dd, *J* = 12.5, 259.2 Hz), 162.6 (dd, *J* = 12.6, 257.1 Hz), 133.4 (dd, *J* = 4.4, 10.8 Hz), 119.0 (dd, *J* = 3.6, 13.5 Hz), 113.1 (dd, *J* = 3.2, 21.7 Hz), 105.1, 77.8 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz), 64.0.

¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -99.14, -103.98.

HPLC analysis: 96% ee (*PfBAL_A28S*, *R*); DAICEL IA (*n*-hexane: *i*-PrOH = 93:7, Flow rate = 0.8 mL/min, UV = 250 nm): *t*_{R-major} = 25.577 min (*PfBAL_A28S*).

HRMS (ESI, *m/z*): calcd for C₉H₇F₂O₃ [M-H]⁻: 201.0358, found: 201.0358.



(*R*)-3r

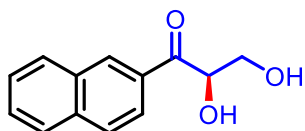
(R)-1-(3,5-dimethylphenyl)-2,3-dihydroxypropan-1-one: slightly yellow oil, 77% yield (*PfBAL_A28S*), 37% yield (*PaBAL M3*).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 7.58 (s, 2H), 7.26 (s, 1H), 5.15 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 1H), 4.99 (q, *J* = 5.7, 4.7 Hz, 1H), 4.76 (t, *J* = 5.8 Hz, 1H), 3.71 (m, *J* = 11.1, 4. Hz, 1H), 3.61 (m, *J* = 11.1, 5.7 Hz, 1H), 2.33 (s, 6H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 200.7, 137.9, 135.5, 134.5, 126.1, 74.5, 64.2, 20.8.

HPLC analysis: 98% ee (*PfBAL_A28S*, *R*), 93% ee (*PaBAL M3*, *S*); DAICEL IA (*n*-hexane: *i*-PrOH = 90:10, Flow rate = 0.8 mL/min, UV = 250 nm): *t*_{R-major} = 13.426 min (*PfBAL_A28S*) and *t*_{R-major} = 12.747 min (*PaBAL M3*).

HRMS (ESI, *m/z*): calcd for C₁₁H₁₃O₃[M-H]⁻: 193.0859, found: 183.0859.



(R)-3s

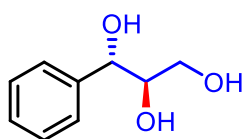
(R)-2,3-dihydroxy-1-(naphthalen-2-yl)propan-1-one: slightly yellow oil, 33% yield (*PfBAL_A28S*), 24% yield (*PaBAL M3*).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.46 (s, 1H), 7.93 (m, 4H), 7.61 (m, 2H), 5.34 (d, *J* = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 4.10 (dd, *J* = 11.8, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 3.82 (dd, *J* = 11.8, 5.2 Hz, 1H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.4, 136.2, 132.5, 130.9, 130.8, 129.8, 129.3, 129.1, 128.0, 127.4, 123.9, 74.8, 65.7.

HPLC analysis: 97% ee (*PfBAL_A28S*, *R*), 95% ee (*PaBAL M3*, *S*); DAUCCEL IA (*n*-hexane: *i*-PrOH = 90:10, Flow rate = 0.8 mL/min, UV = 250 nm): *t*_{R-major} = 28.121 min (*PfBAL_A28S*) and *t*_{R-major} = 25.978 min (*PaBAL M3*).

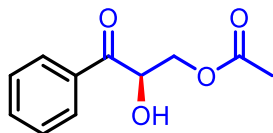
HRMS (ESI, *m/z*): calcd for C₁₃H₁₁O₃[M-H]⁻: 215.0704, found: 215.0703.



4a

(1S,2R)-1-phenylpropane-1,2,3-triol^[4]: slightly yellow oil, 60% yield, *dr*=7:1.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, D₂O) δ 7.48 – 7.36 (m, 5H), 4.65 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 3.92 (td, *J* = 7.0, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 3.80 (dd, *J* = 11.8, 3.3 Hz, 1H), 3.62 (dd, *J* = 11.8, 6.8 Hz, 1H).



4b

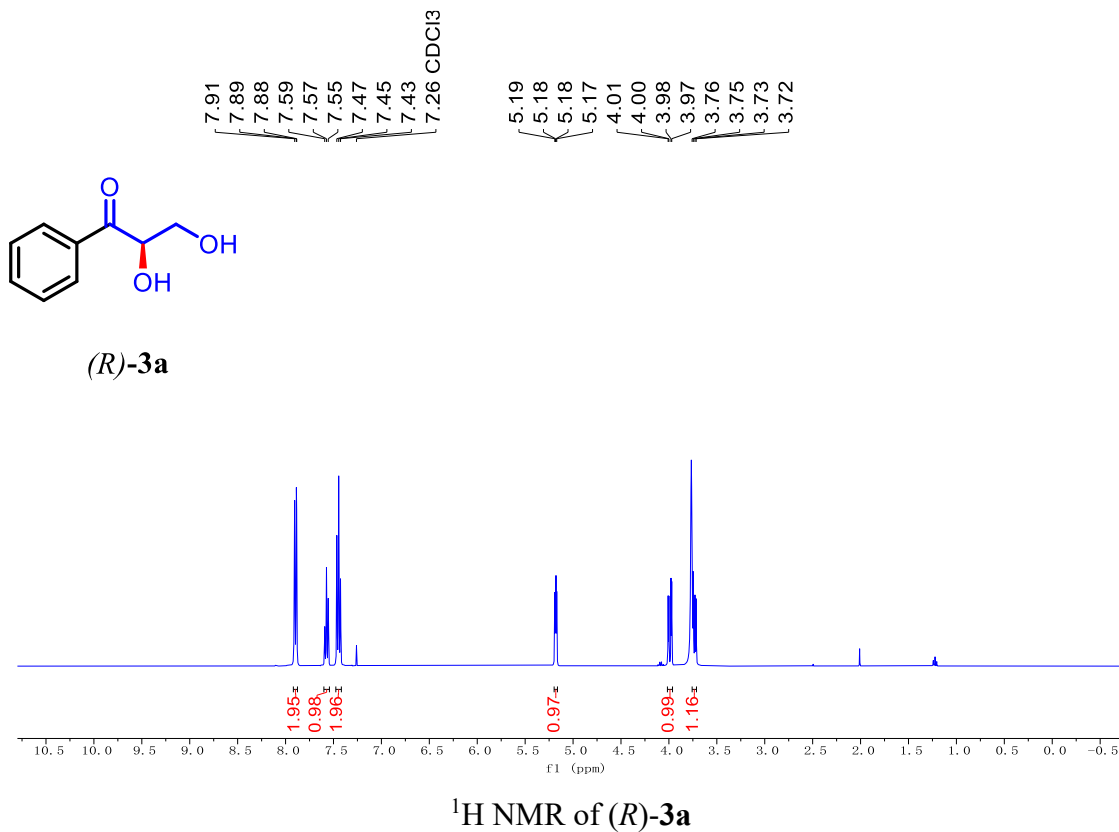
(R)-2-hydroxy-3-oxo-3-phenylpropyl acetate: slightly yellow oil, 40% yield.

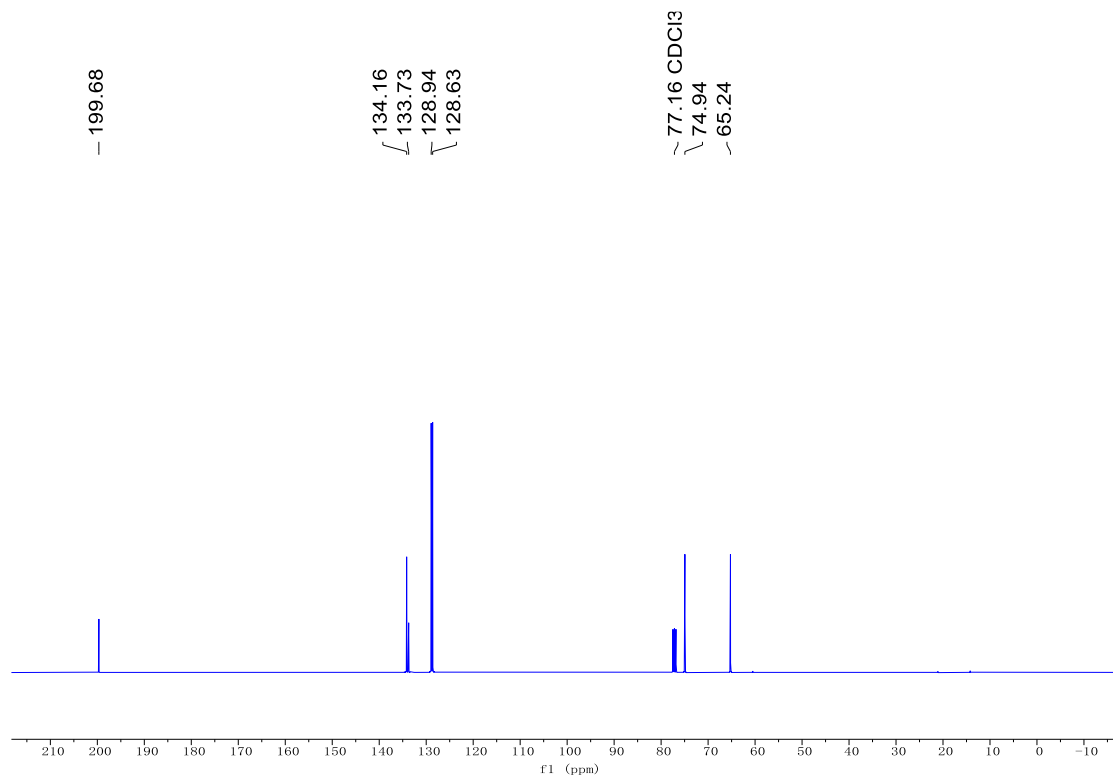
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.98 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.65 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.52

(t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 2H), 5.30 (dd, $J = 5.8, 3.2$ Hz, 1H), 4.56 (dd, $J = 11.7, 3.1$ Hz, 1H), 4.12 (dd, $J = 11.8, 5.8$ Hz, 1H), 2.02 (s, 3H).

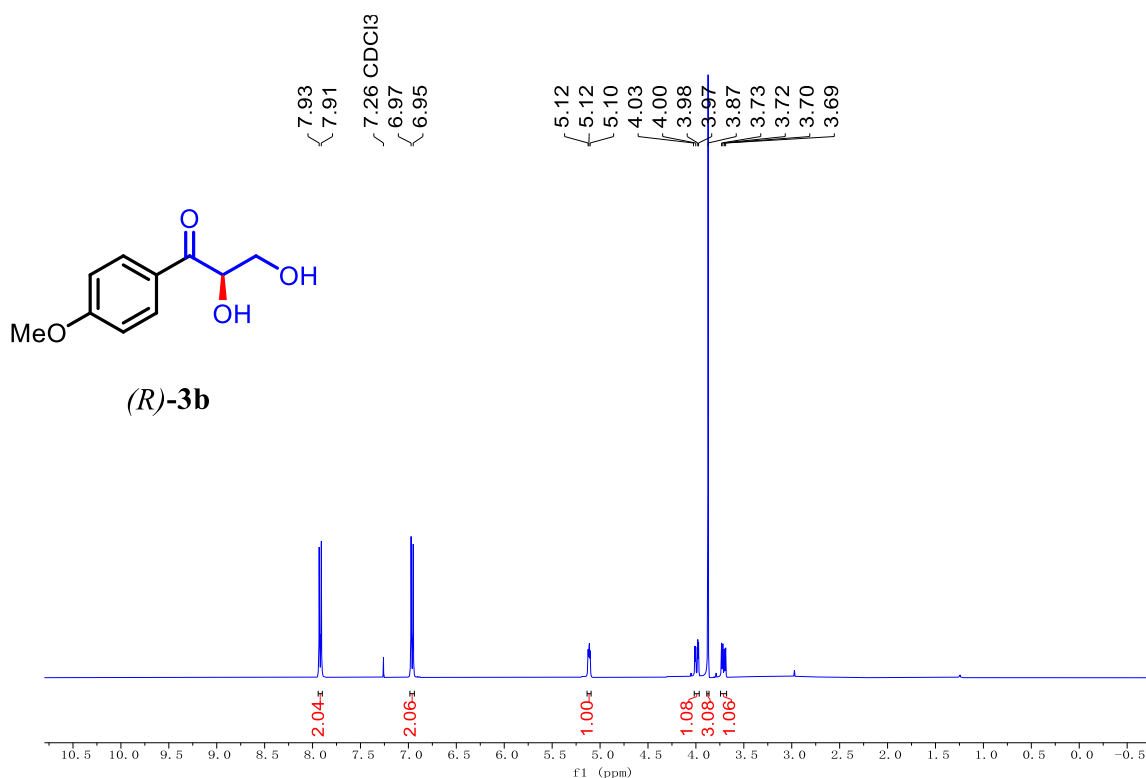
^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 198.6, 171.0, 134.6, 133.5, 129.2, 128.8, 72.1, 66.9, 20.8.

18. NMR Spectra of products

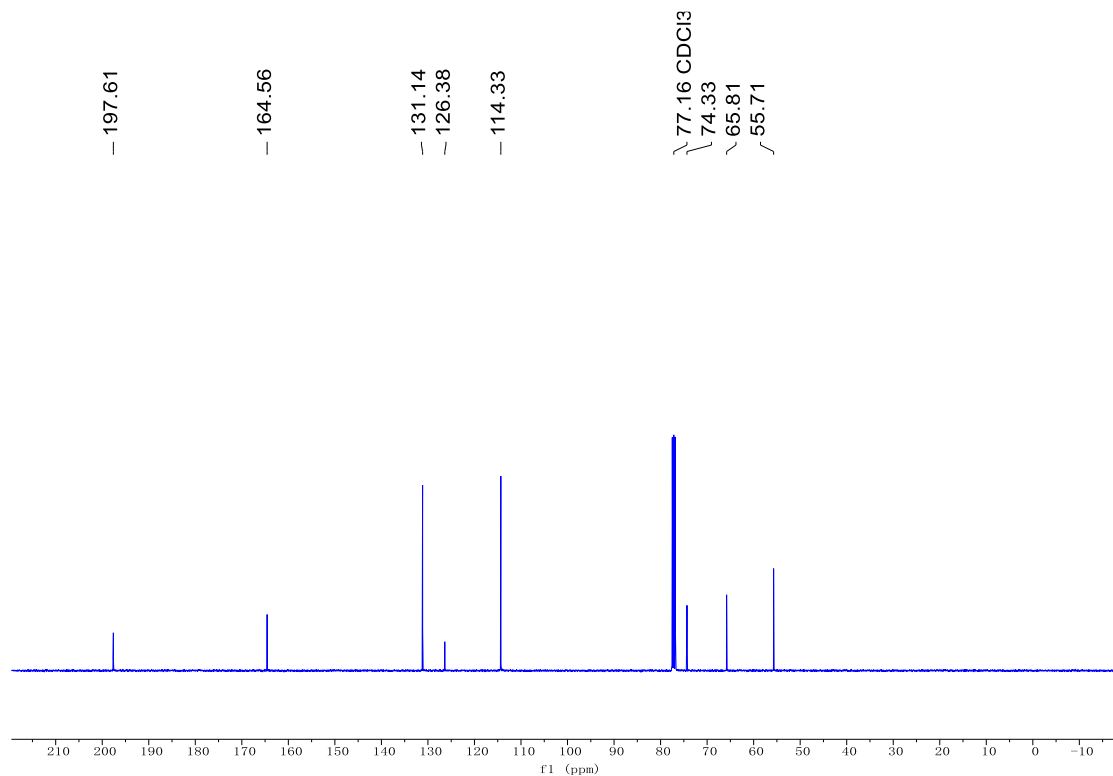




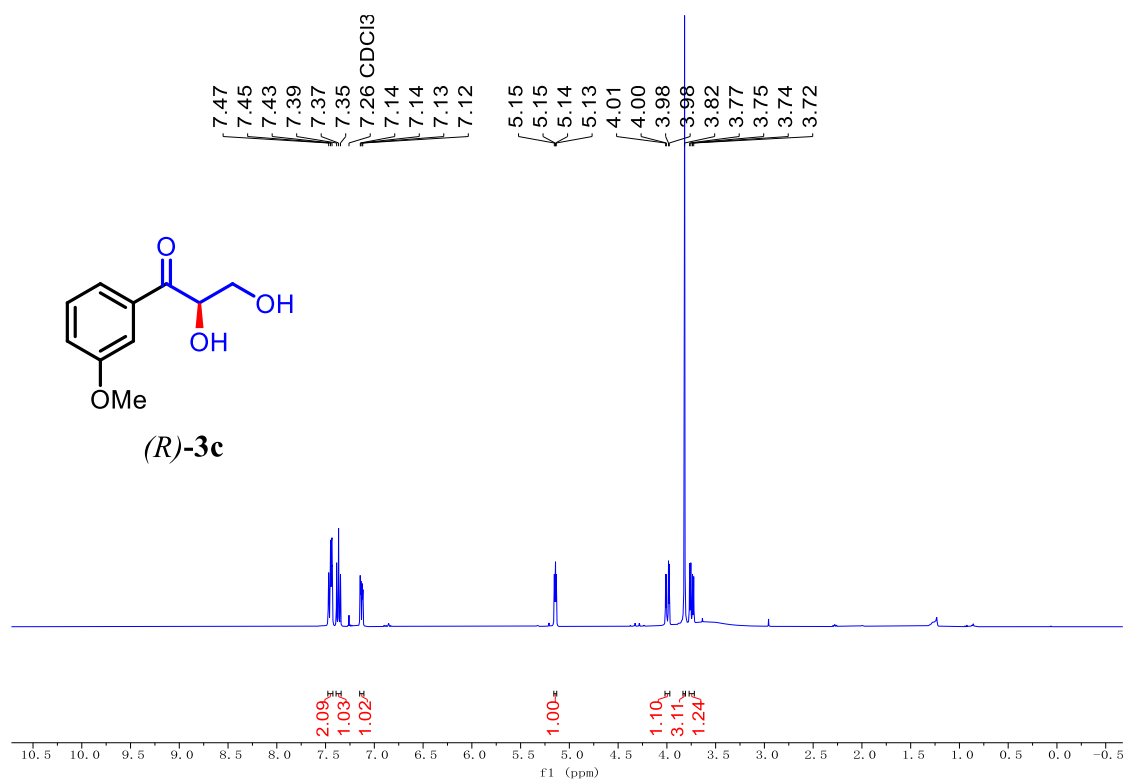
^{13}C NMR of *(R)*-3a



^1H NMR of *(R)*-3b

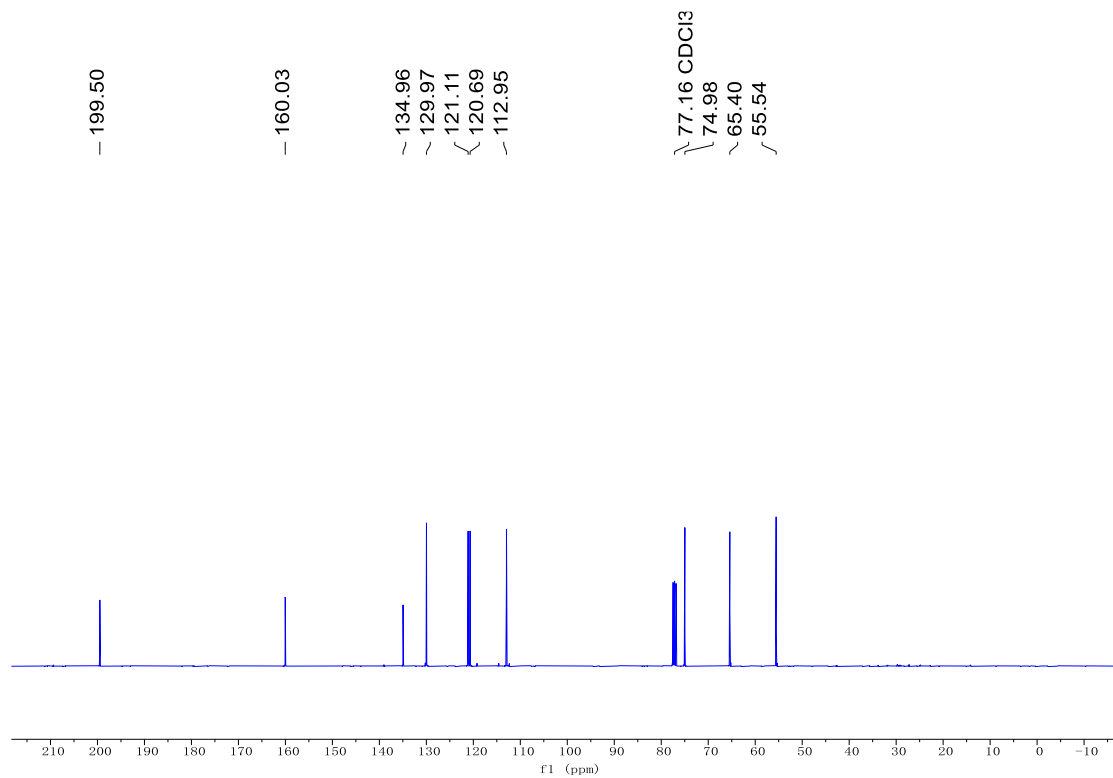


^{13}C NMR of (*R*)-**3b**

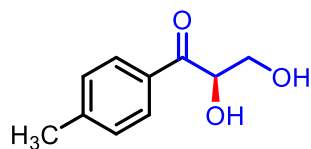
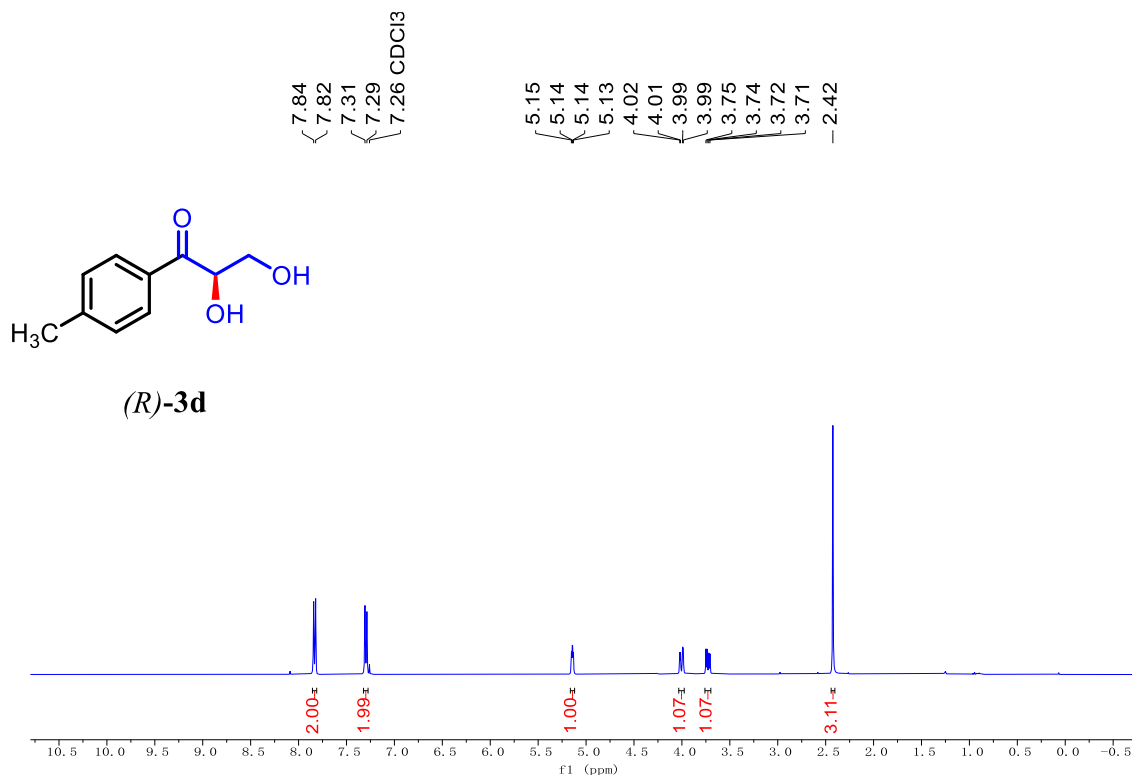


(*R*)-**3c**

^1H NMR of (*R*)-**3c**

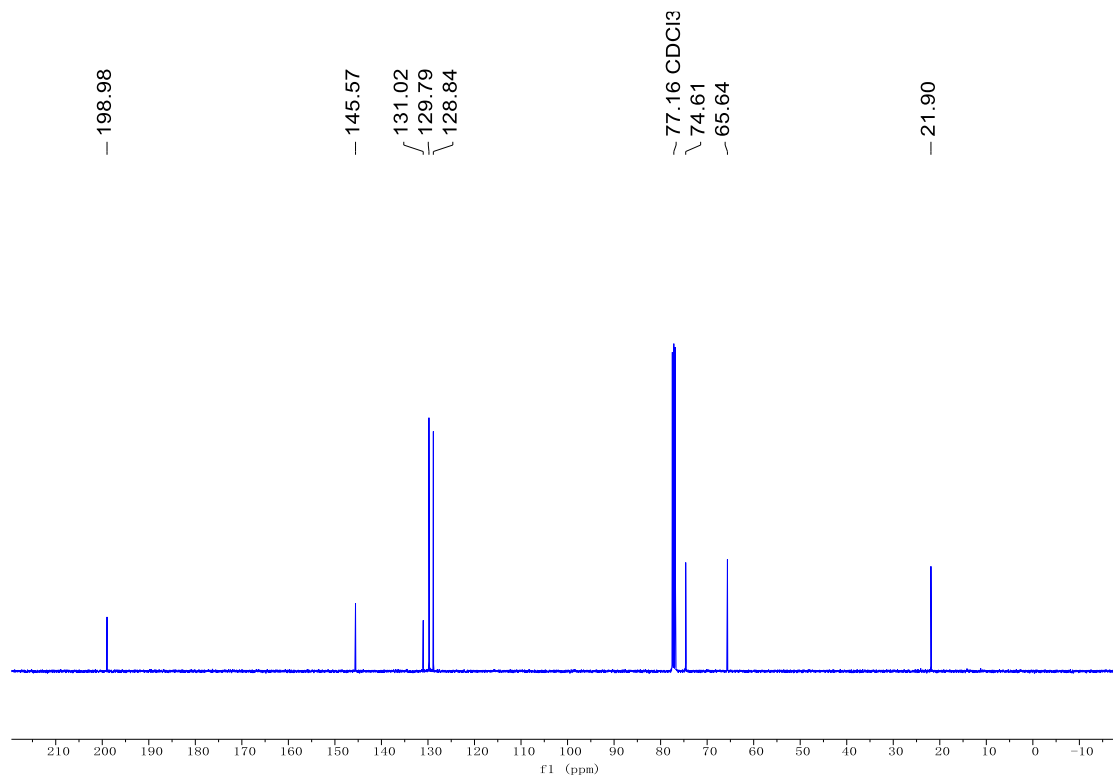


¹³C NMR of (R)-3c

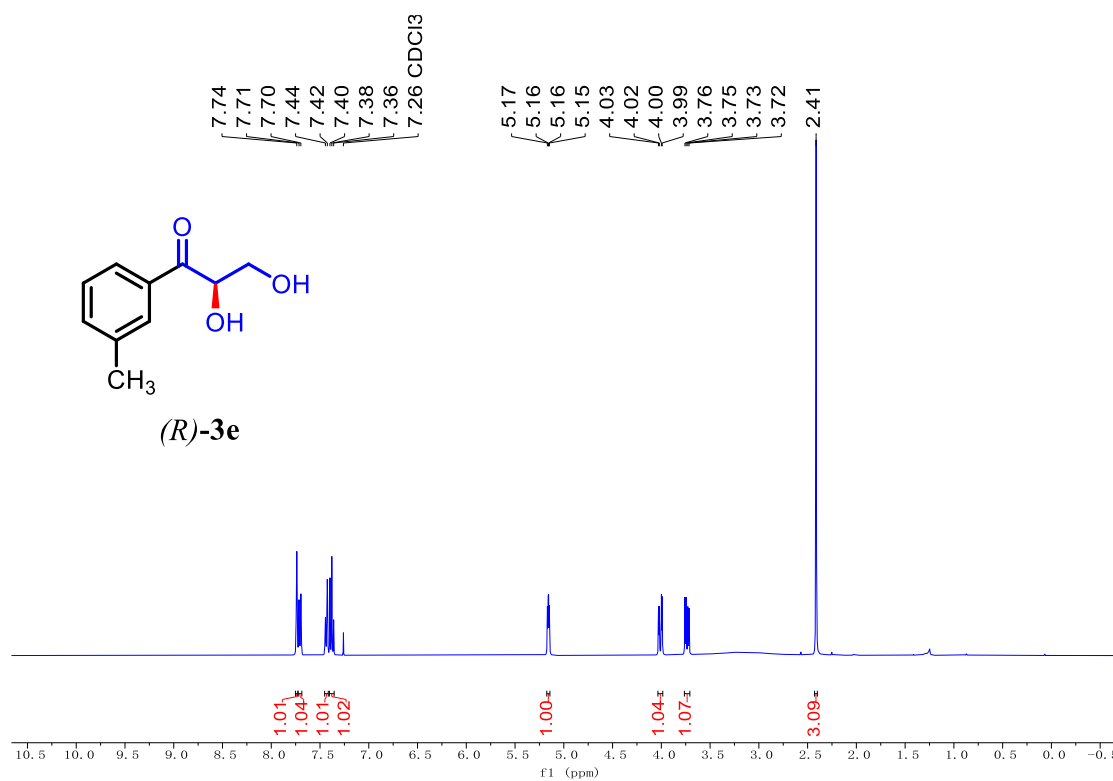


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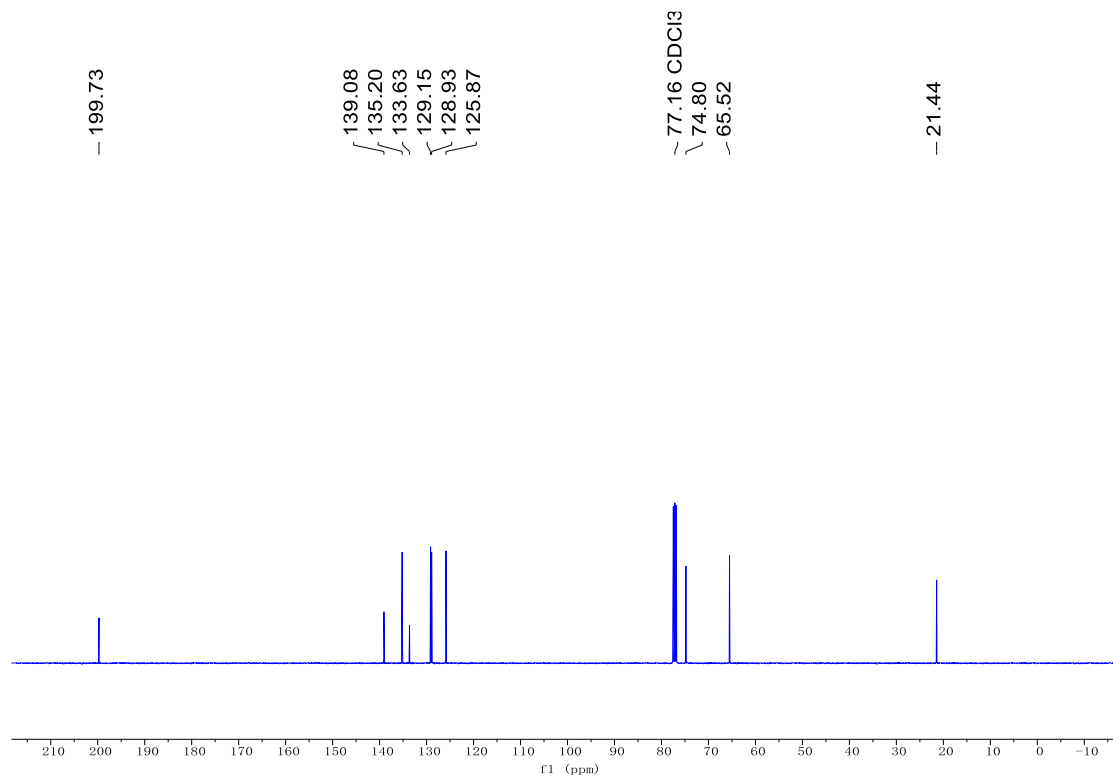
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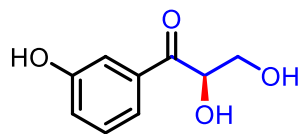
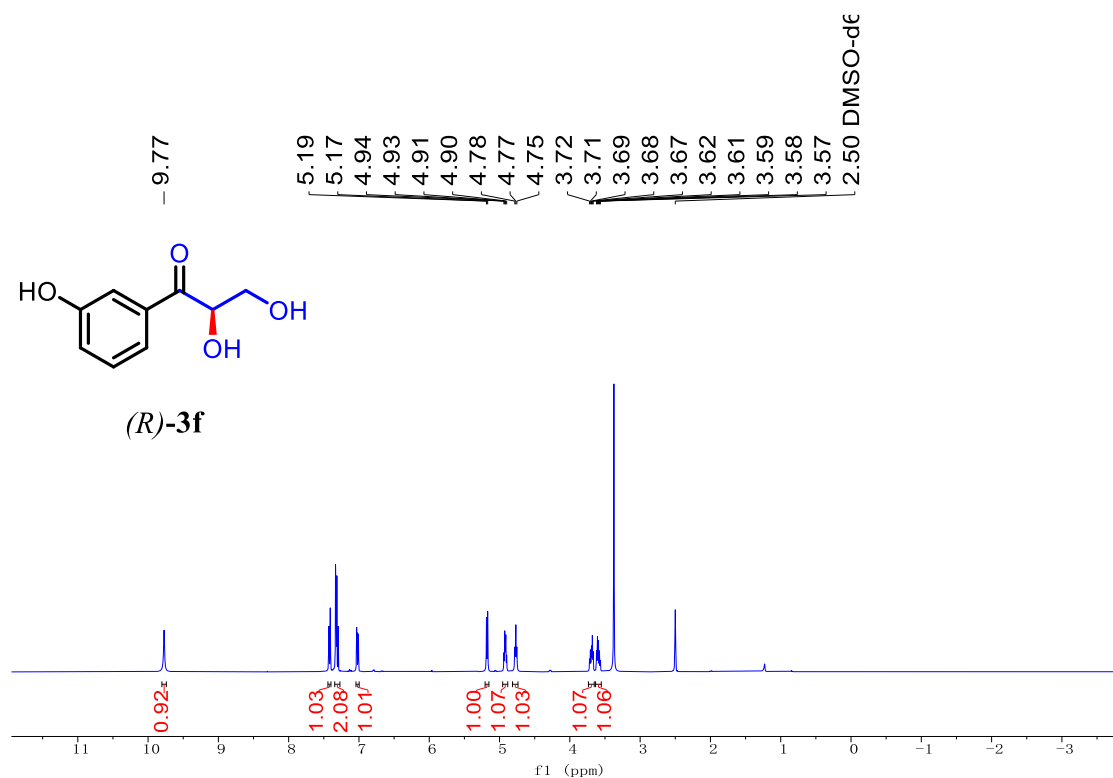
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¹H NMR of (R)-3e

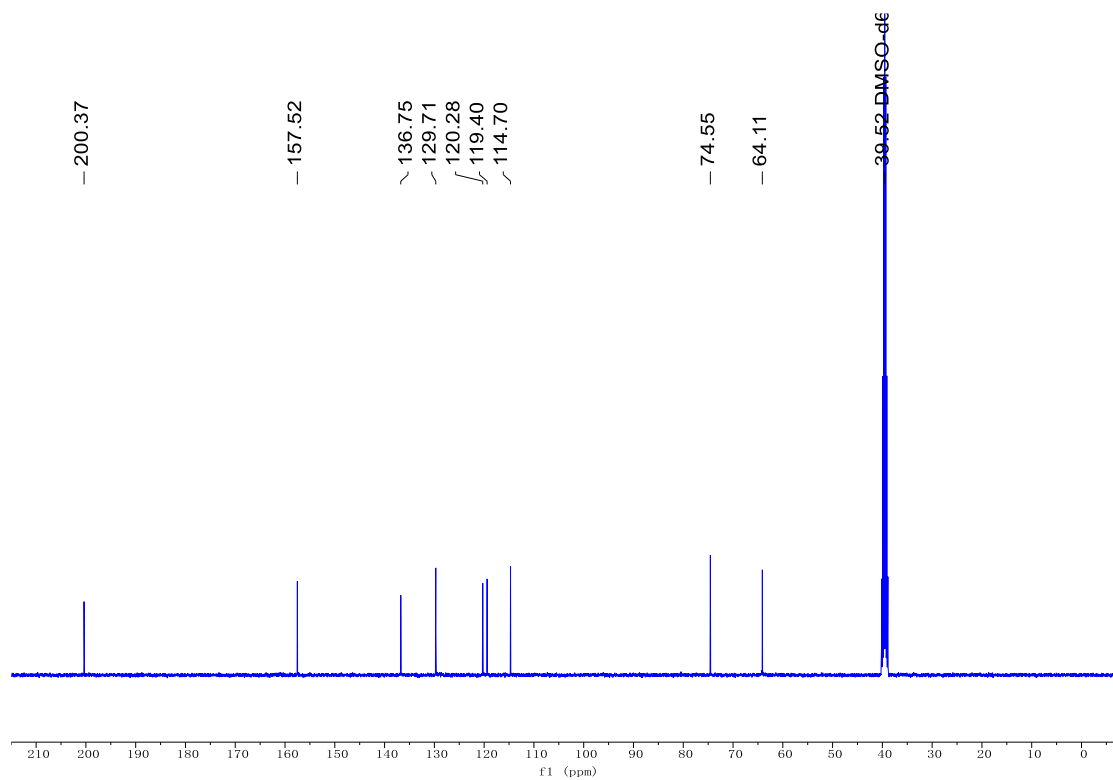


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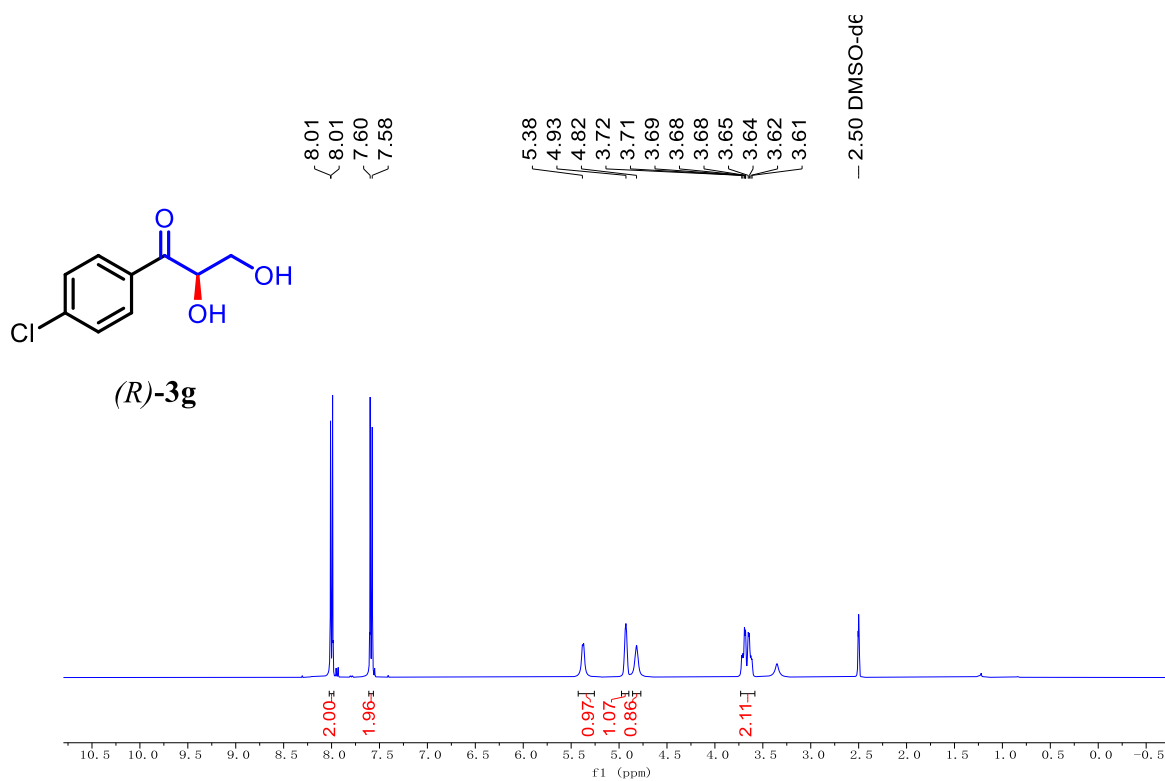


(R)-3f

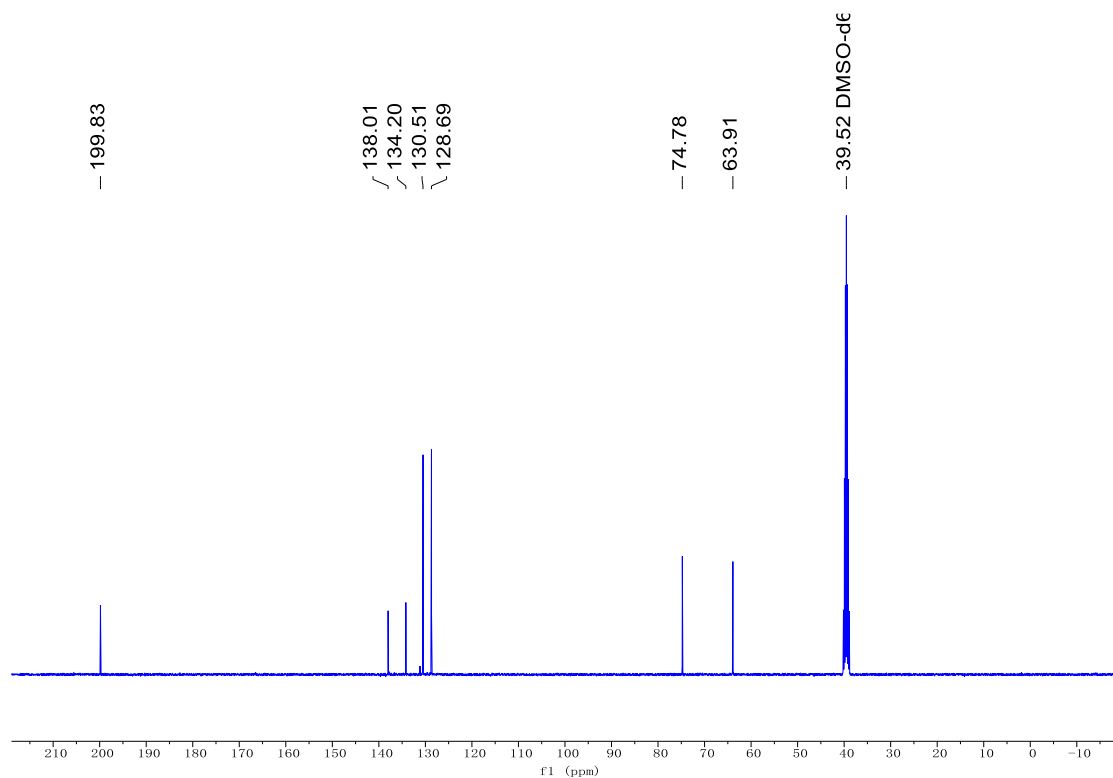
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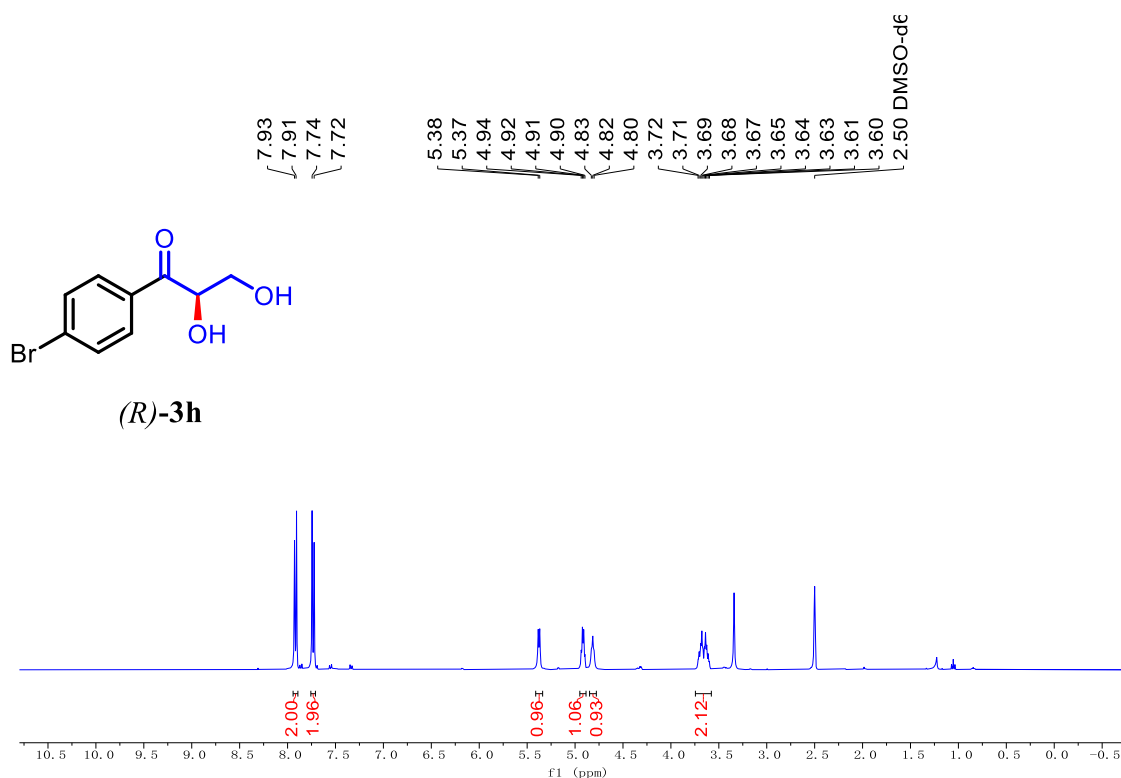
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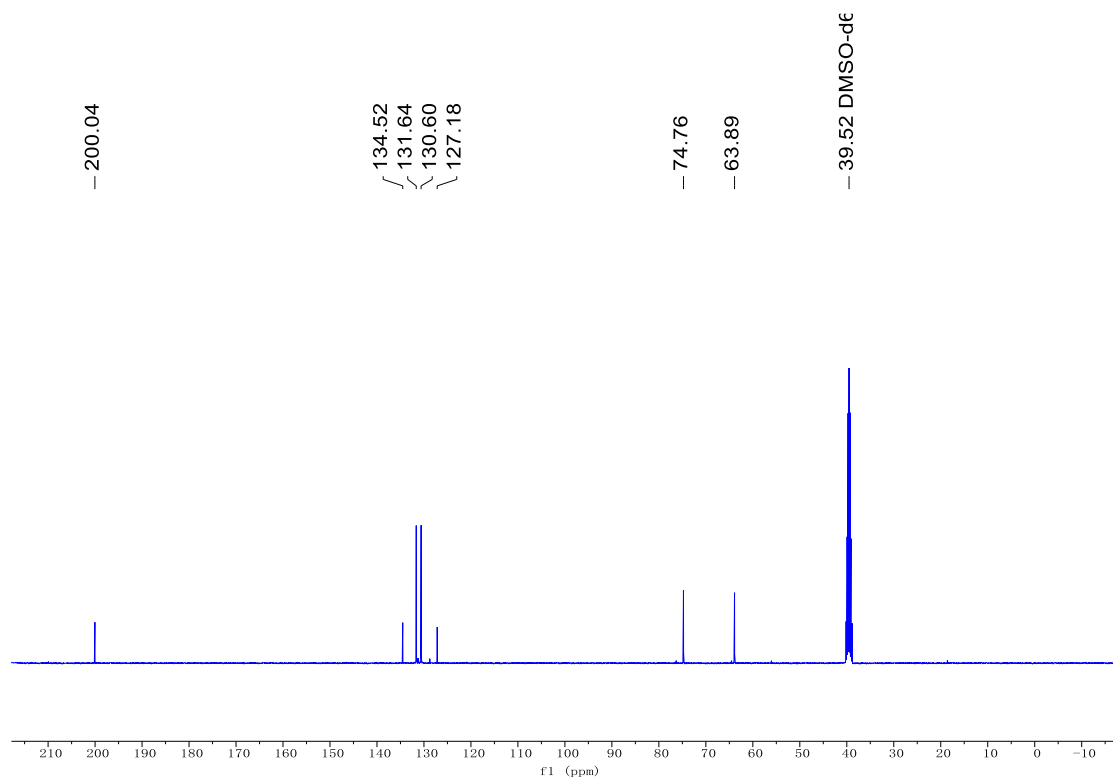
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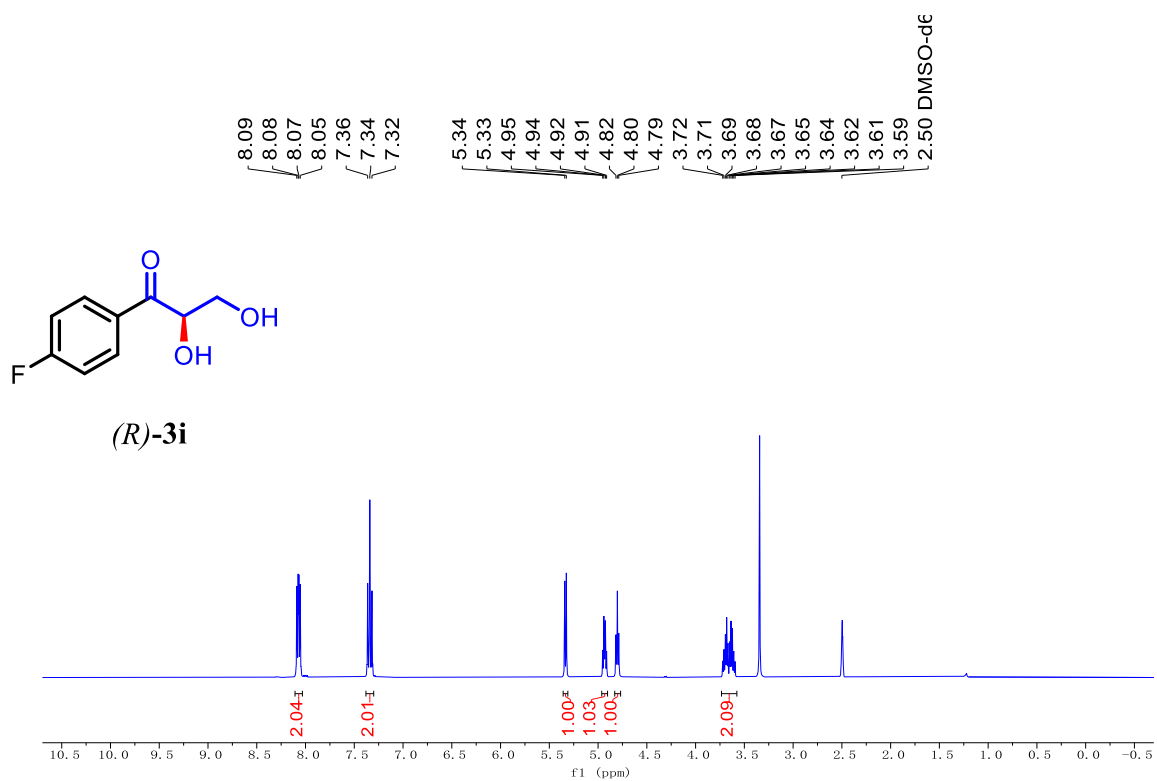
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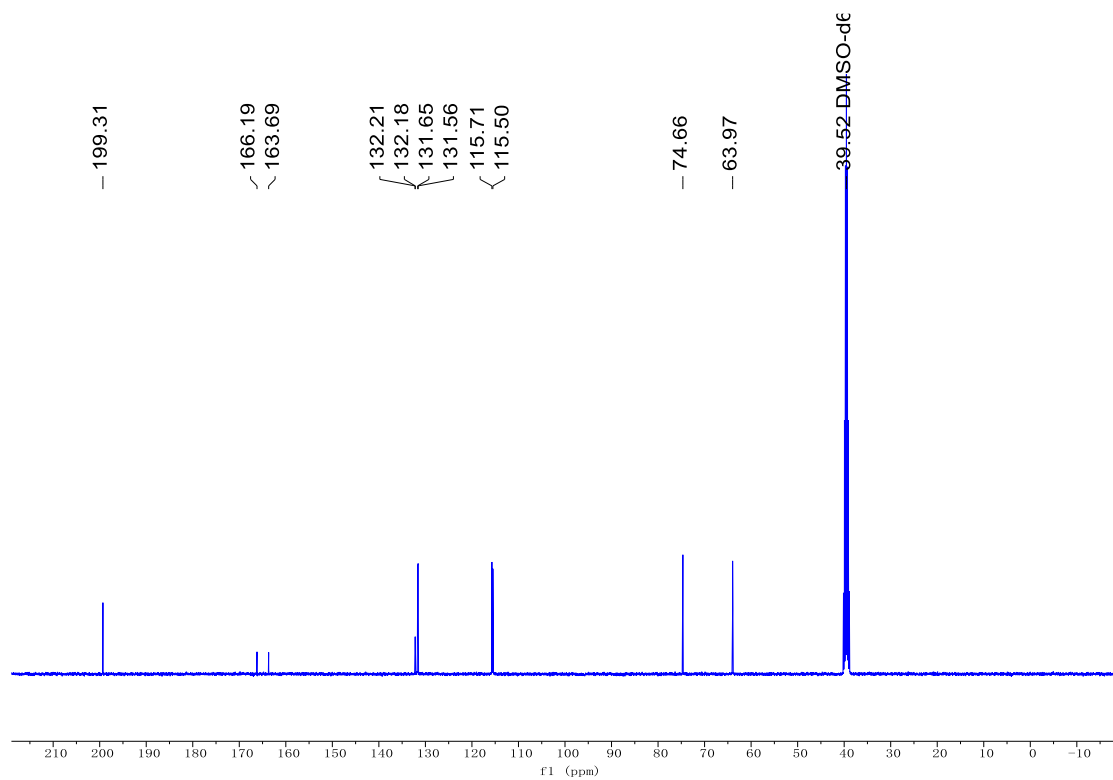
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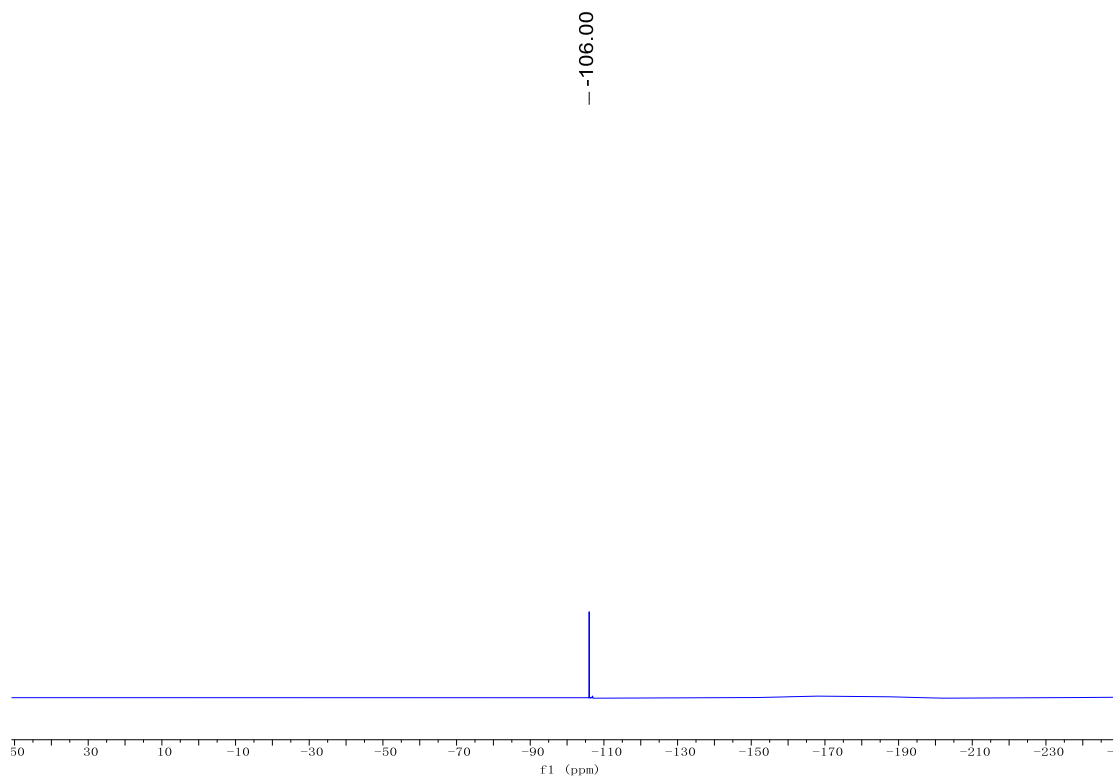
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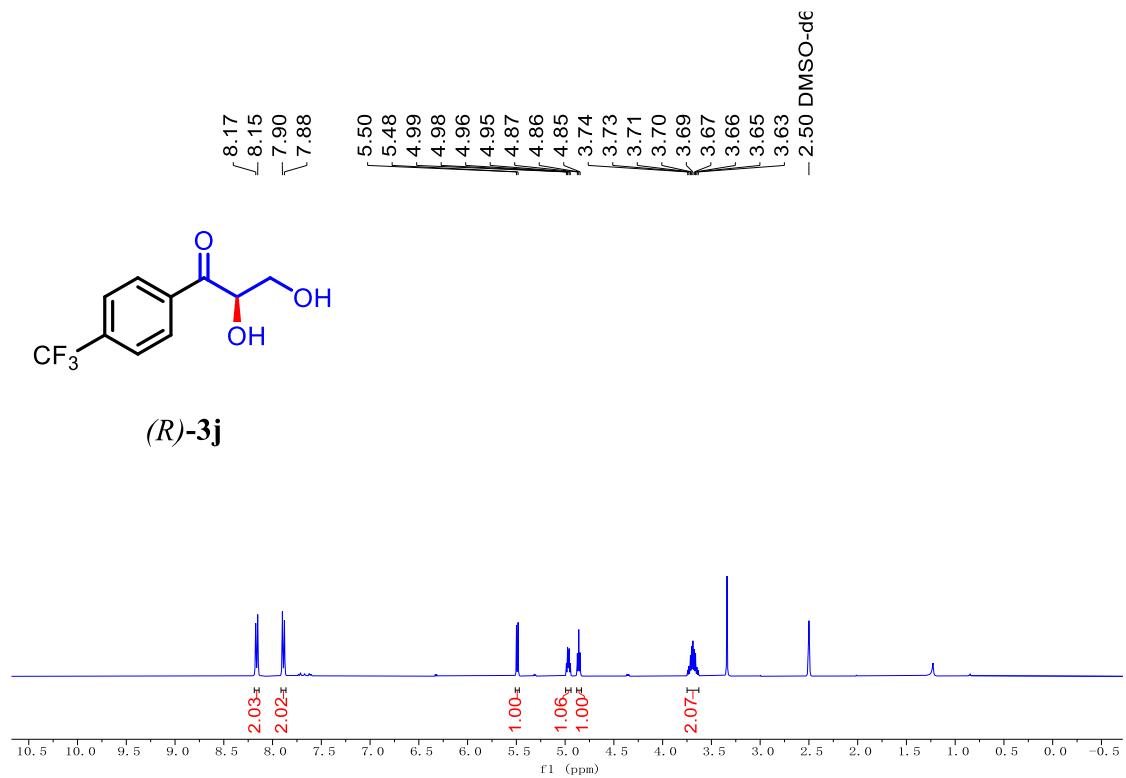
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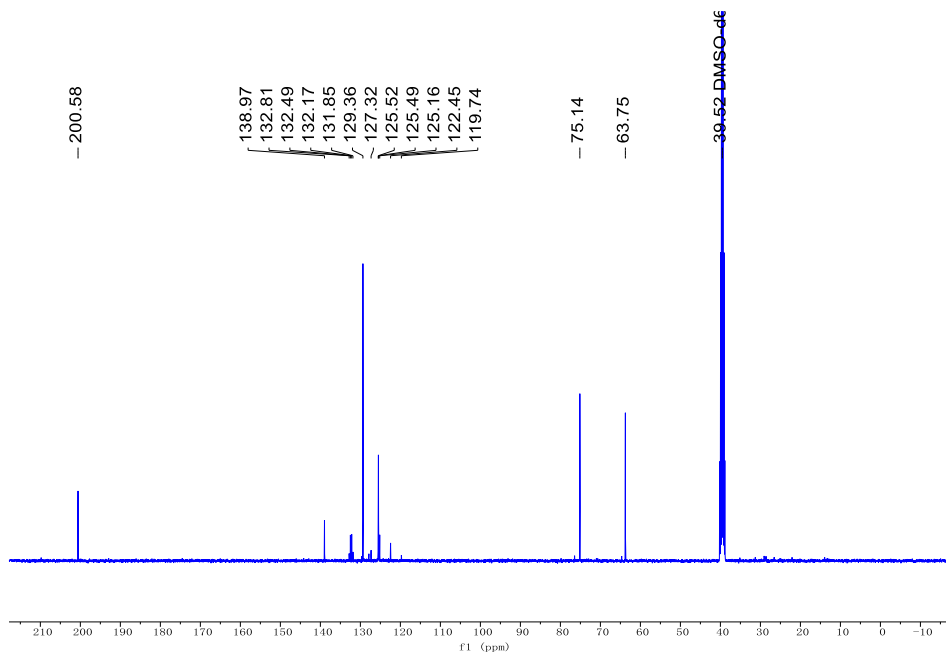
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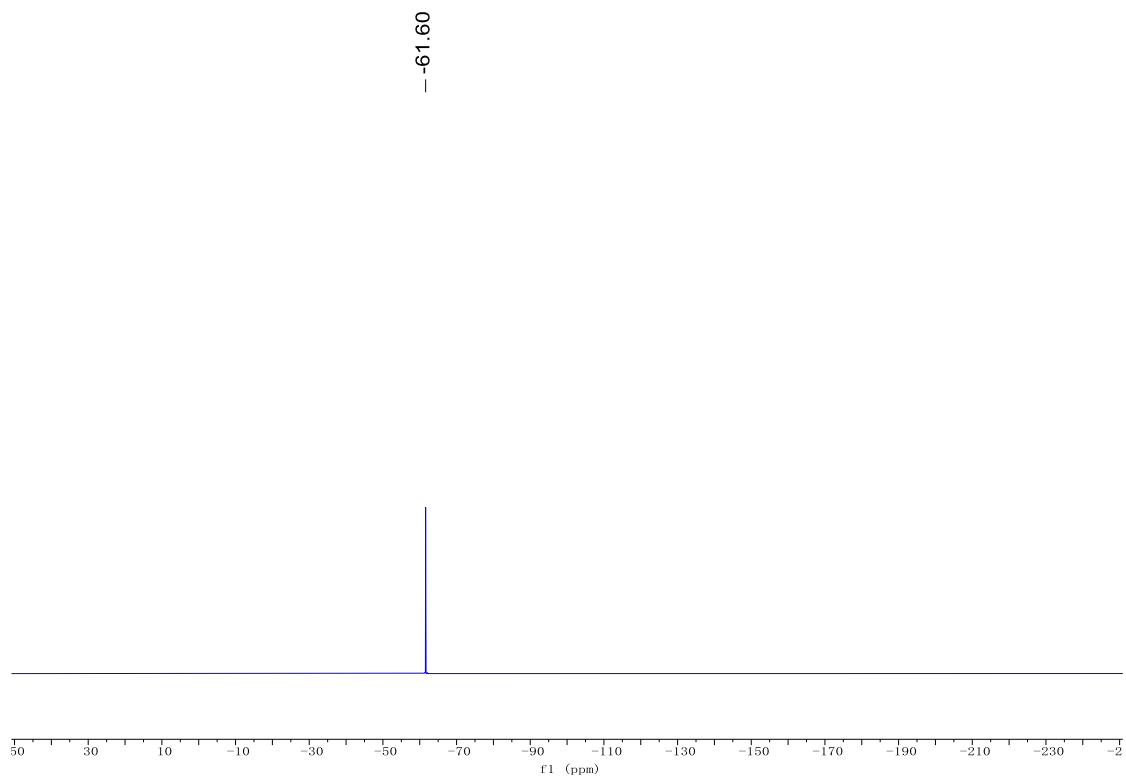
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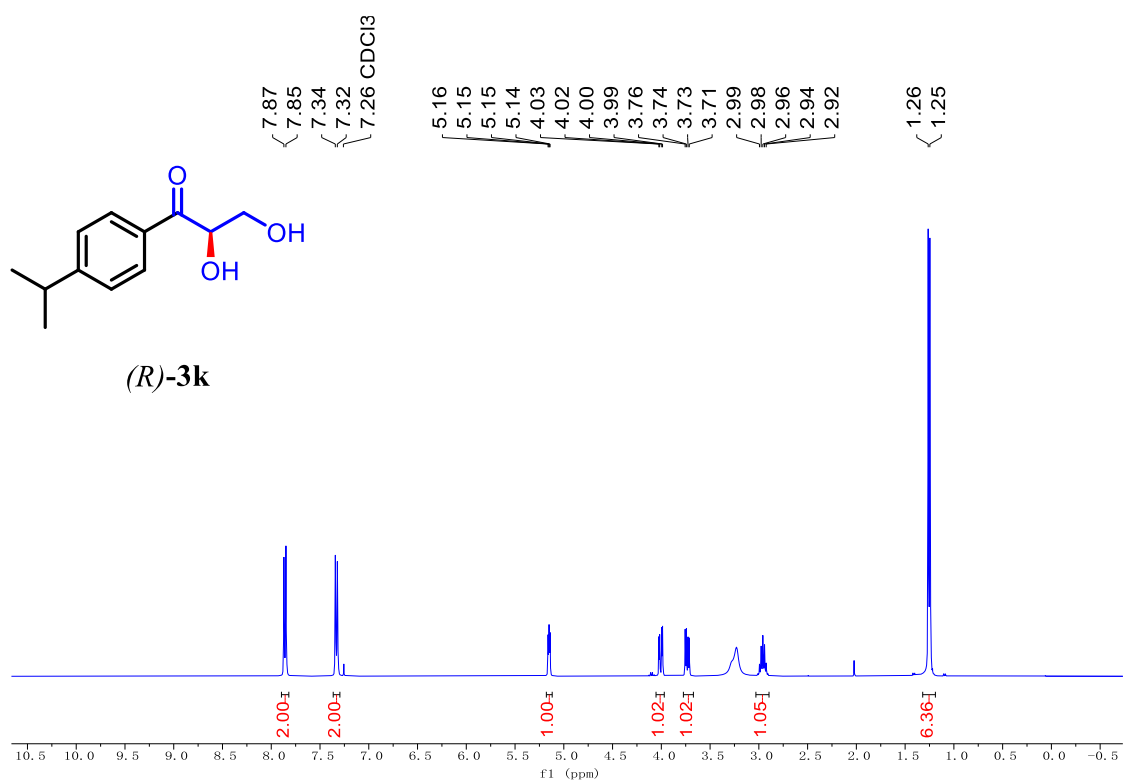
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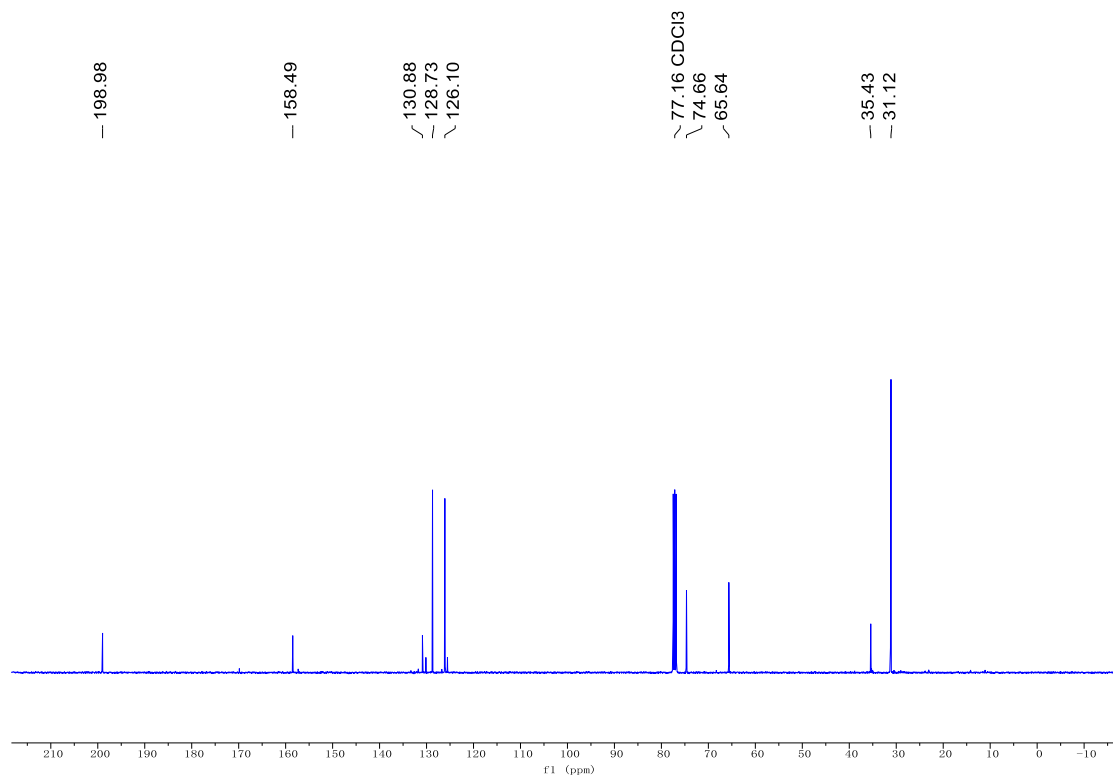
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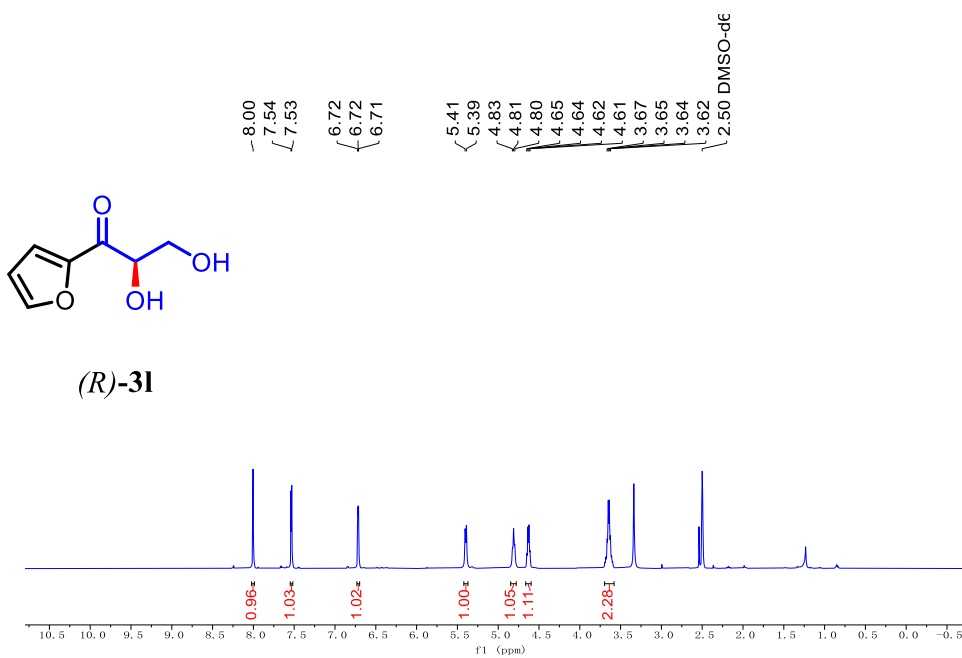
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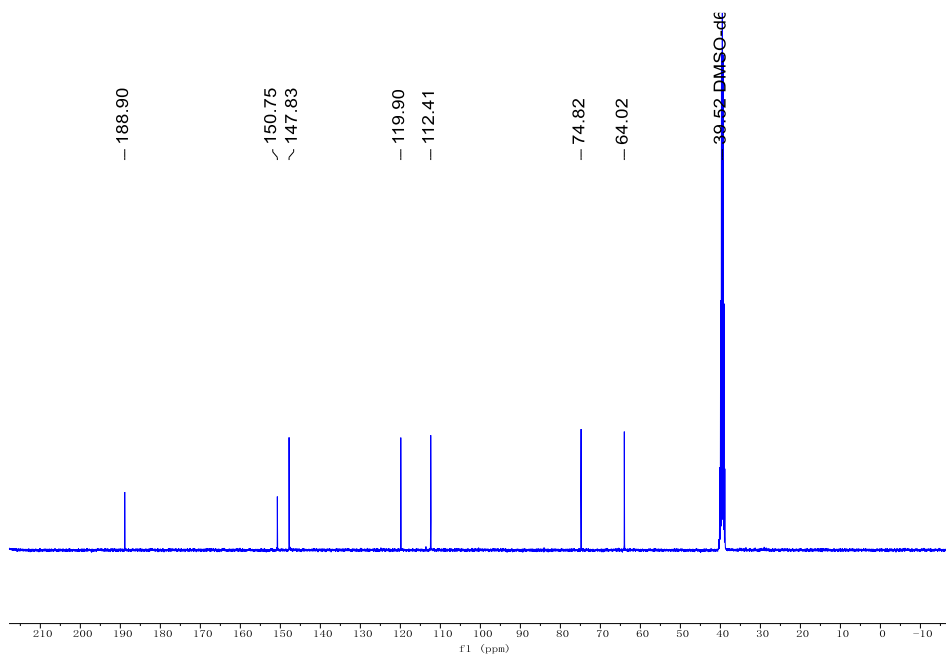


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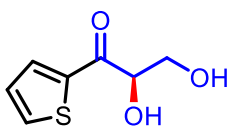
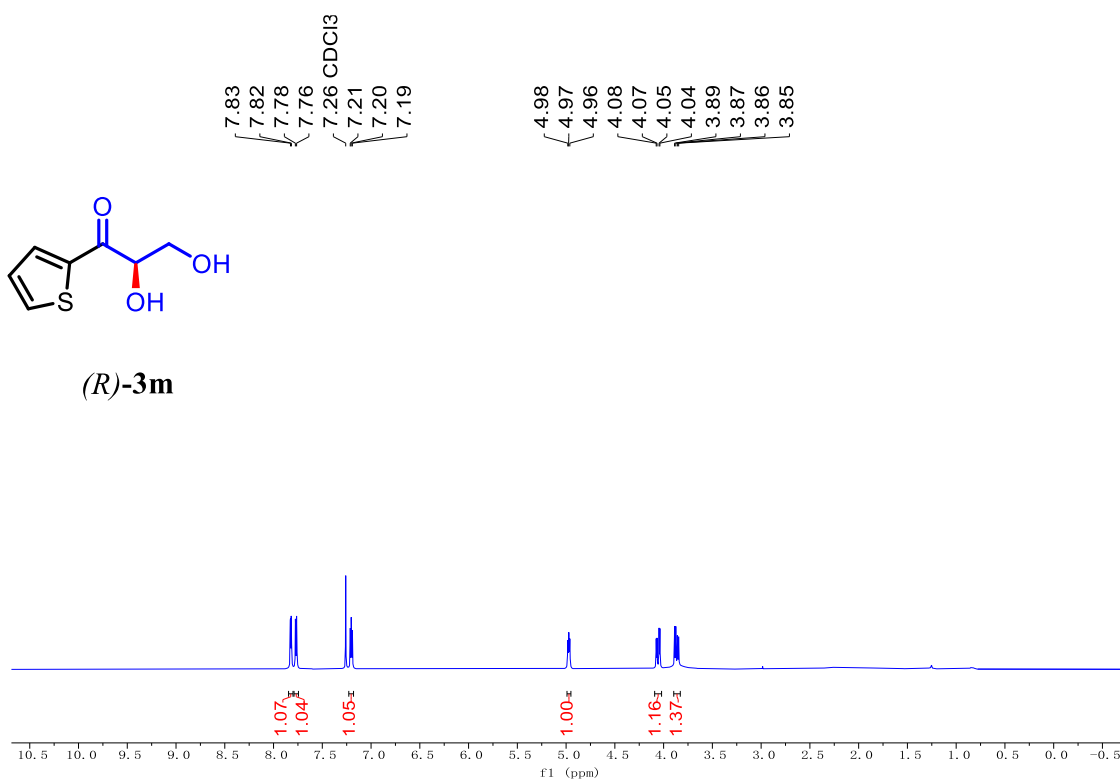


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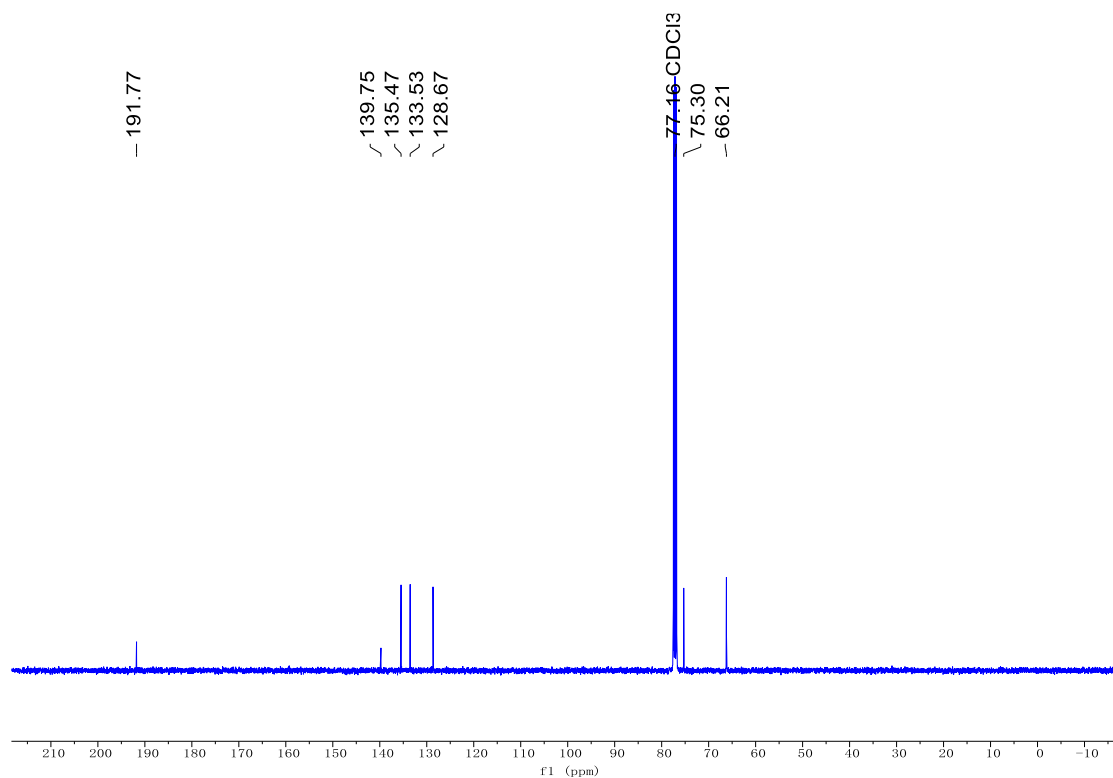


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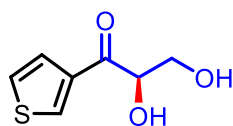
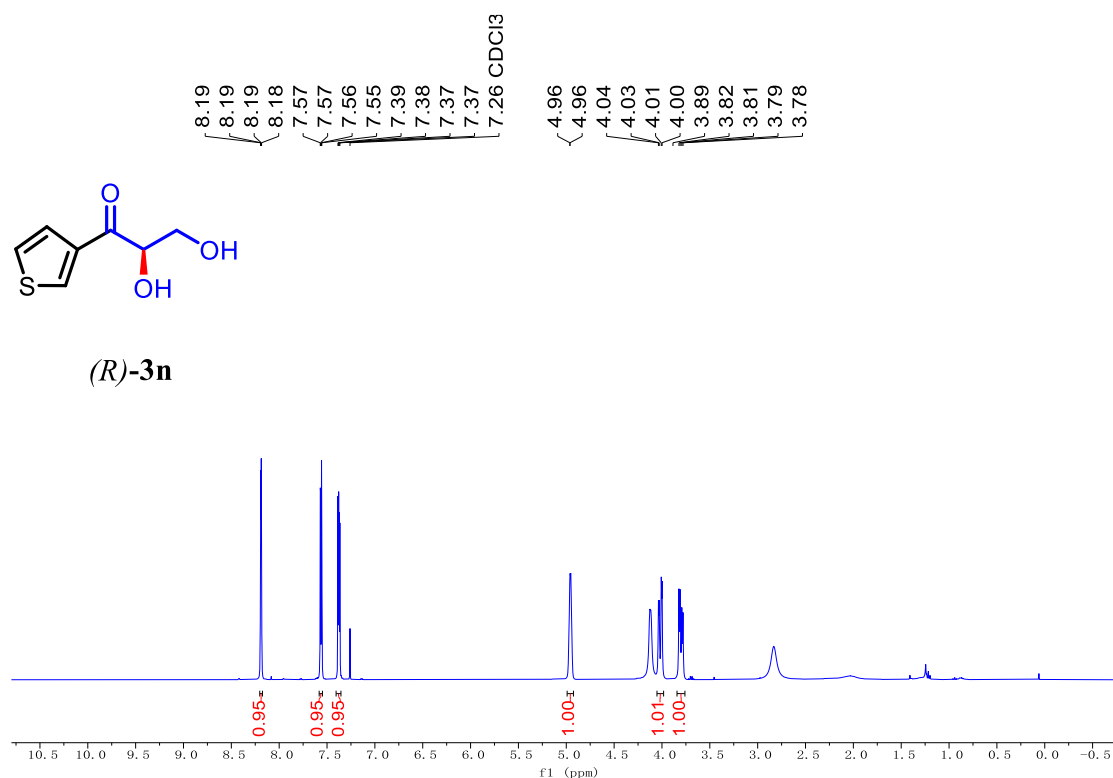


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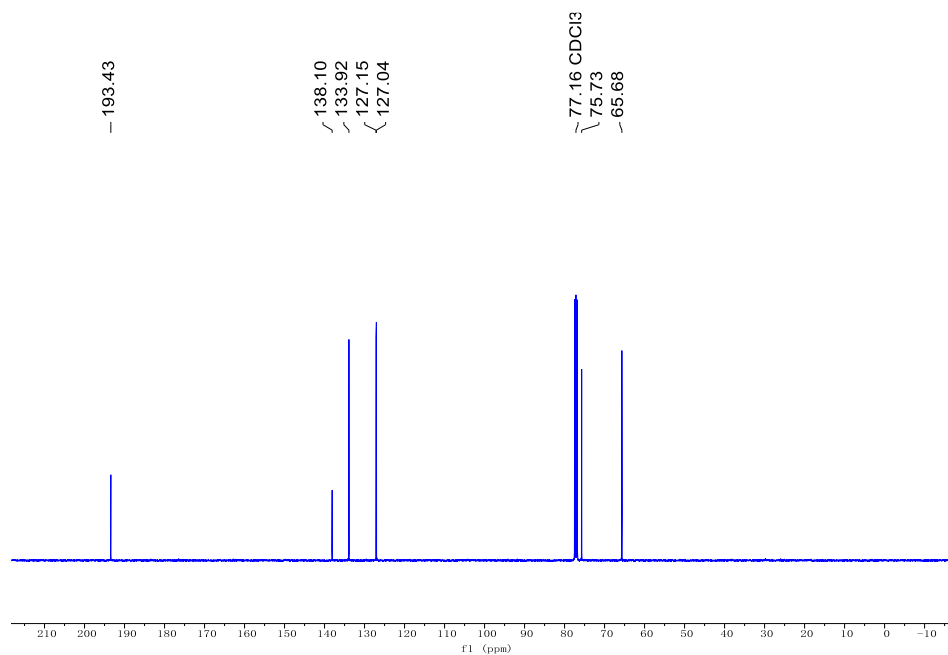


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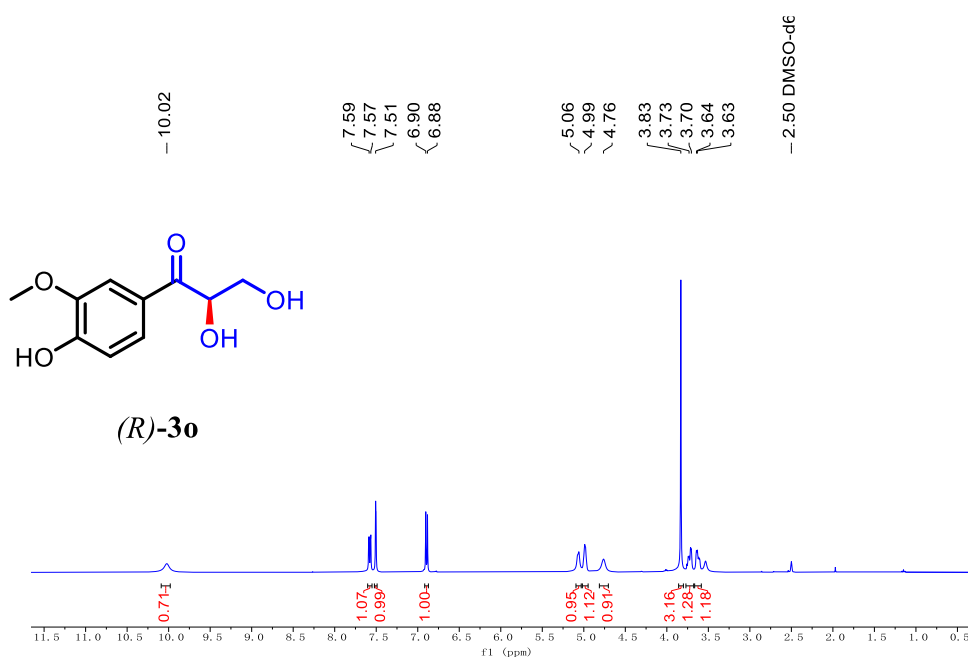


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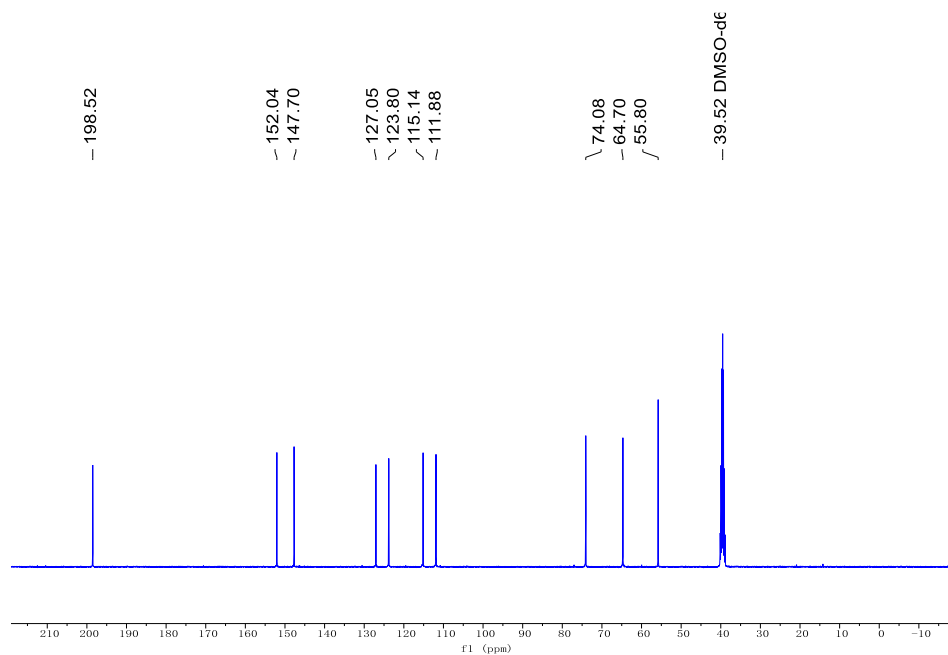
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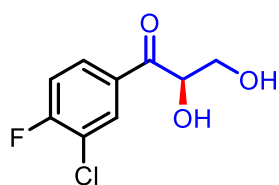
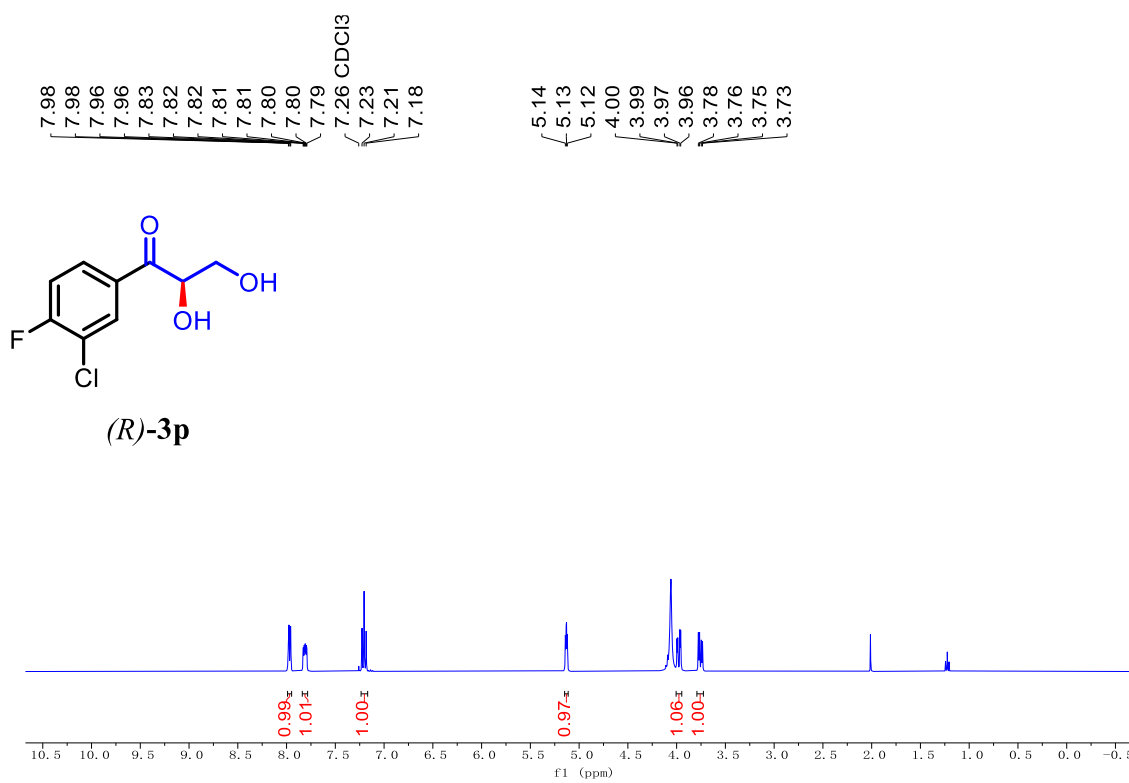
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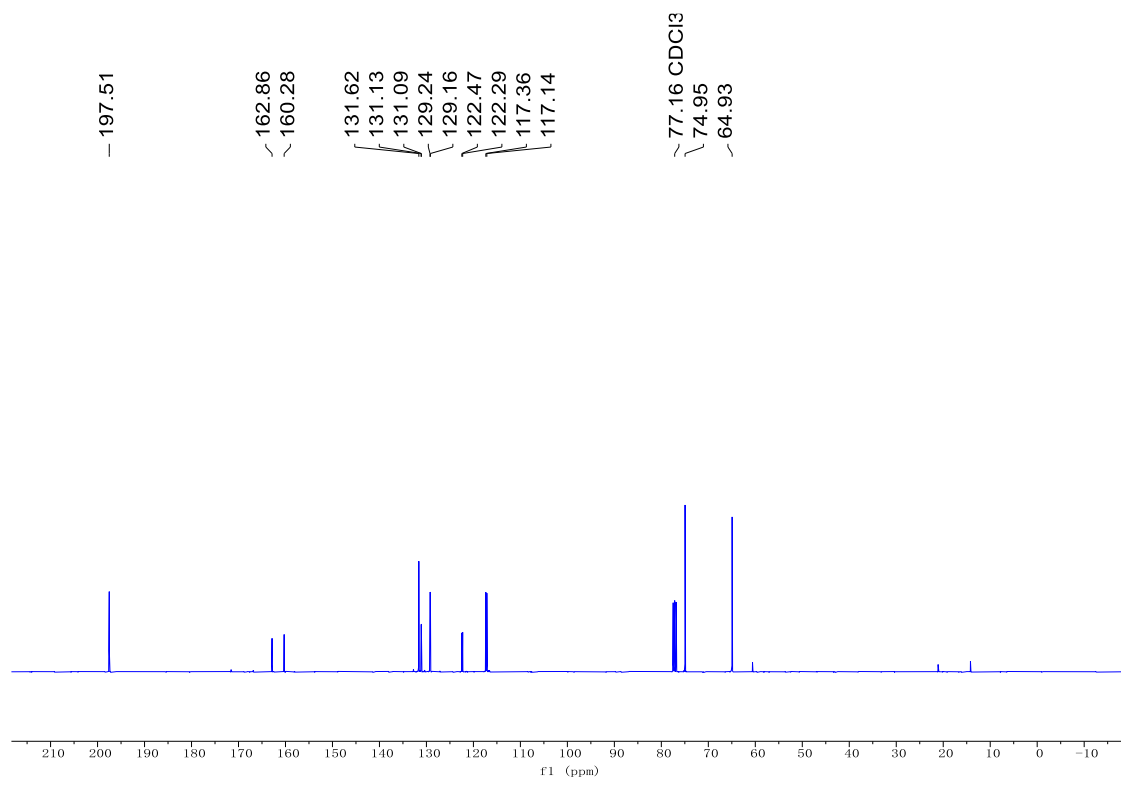


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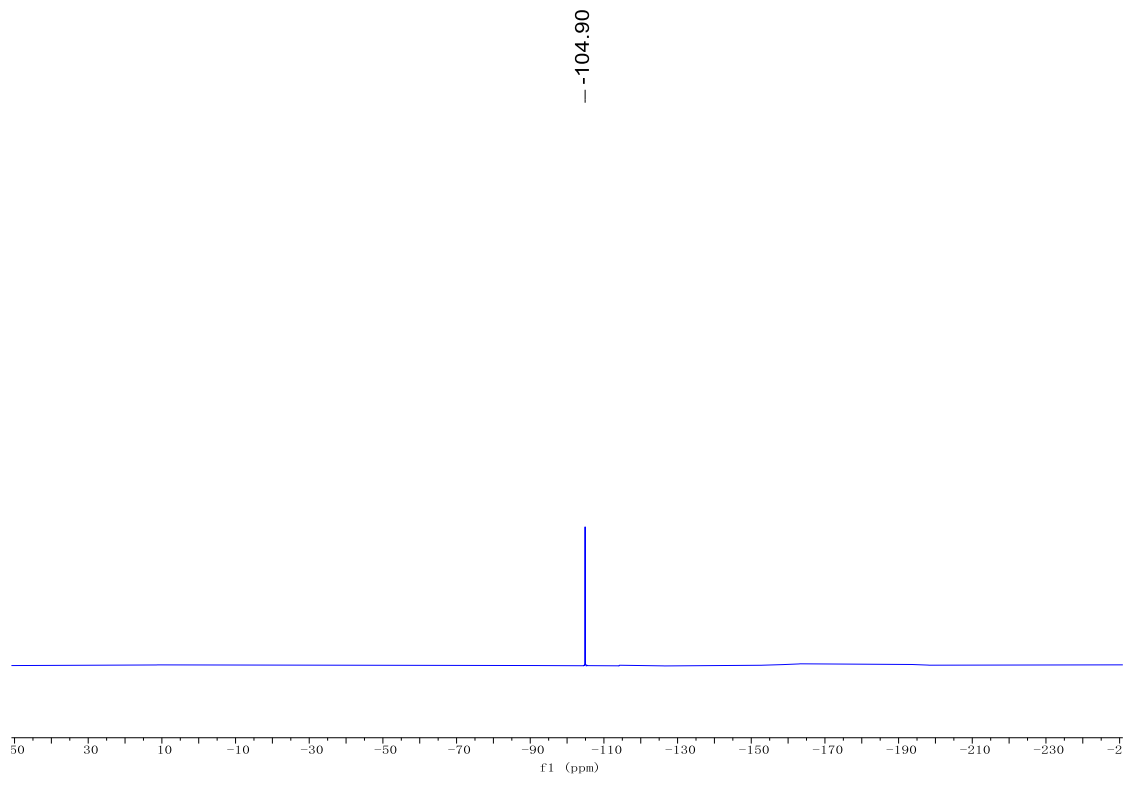


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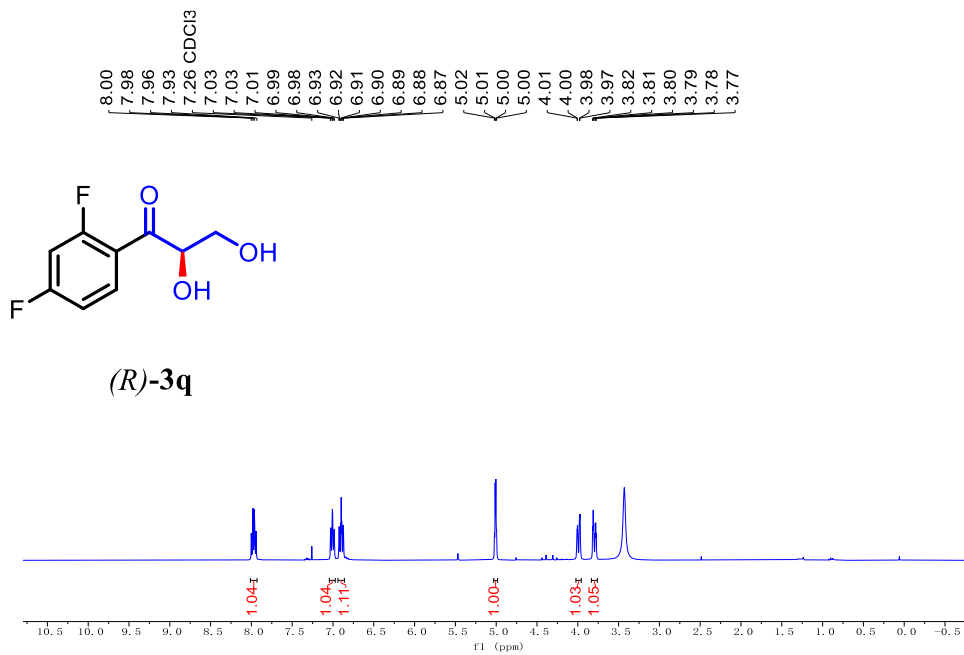
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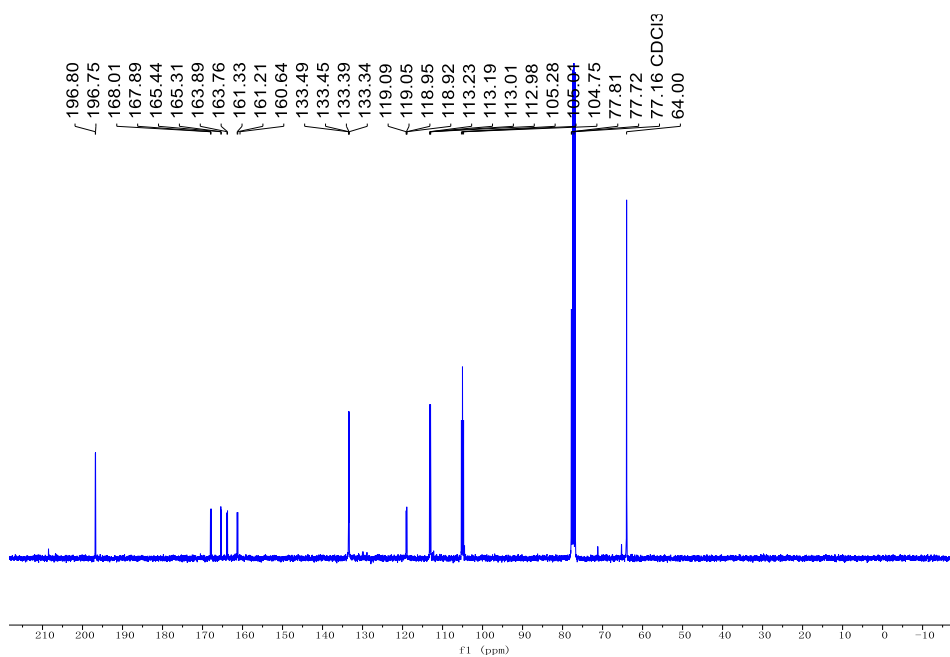
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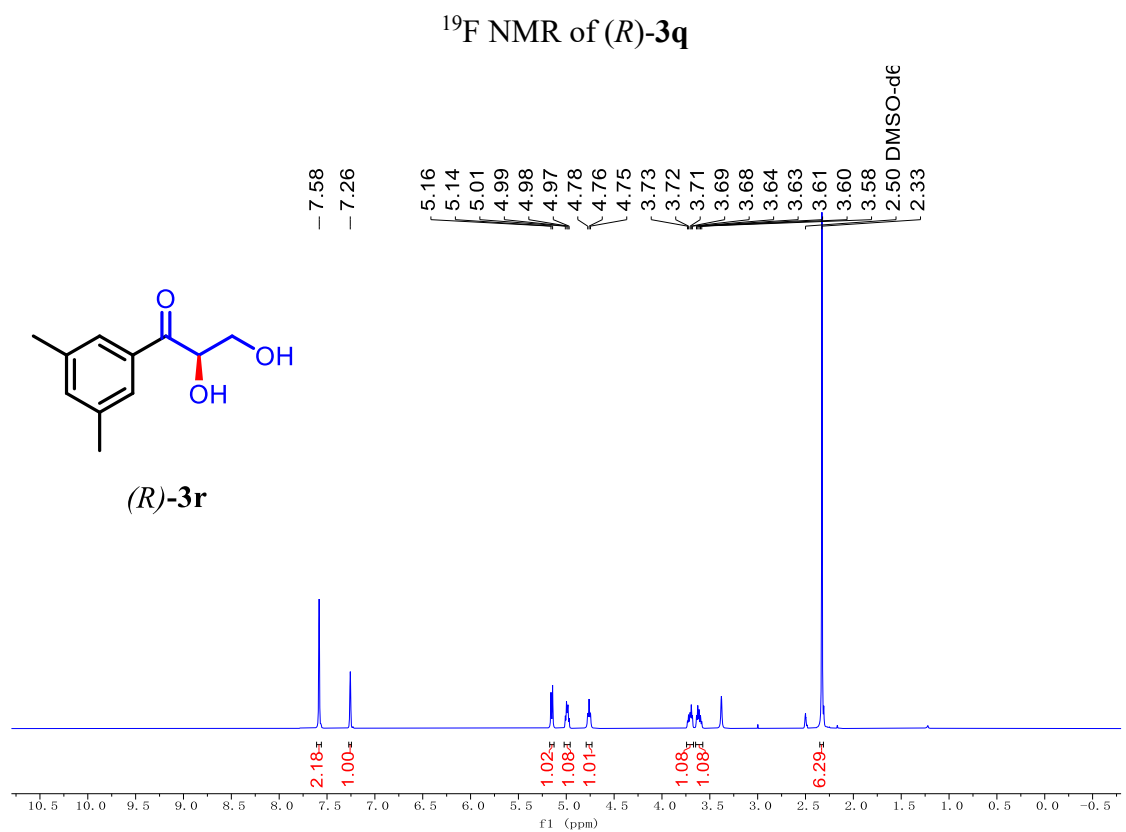
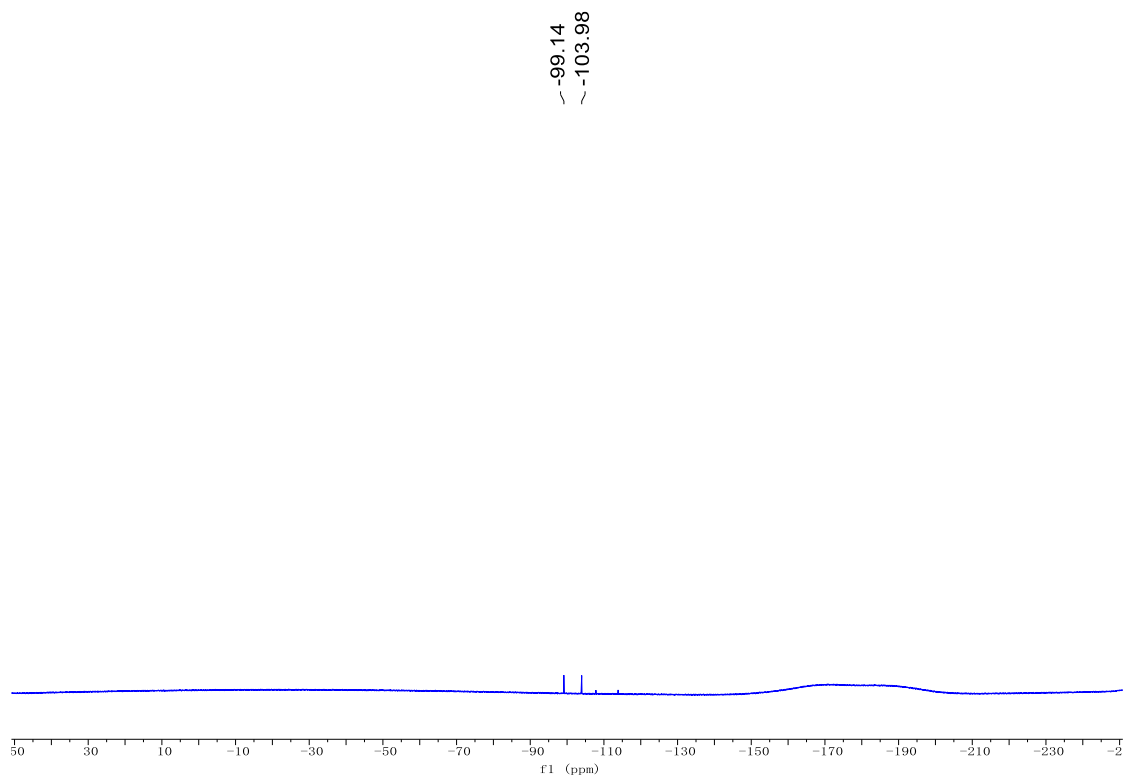
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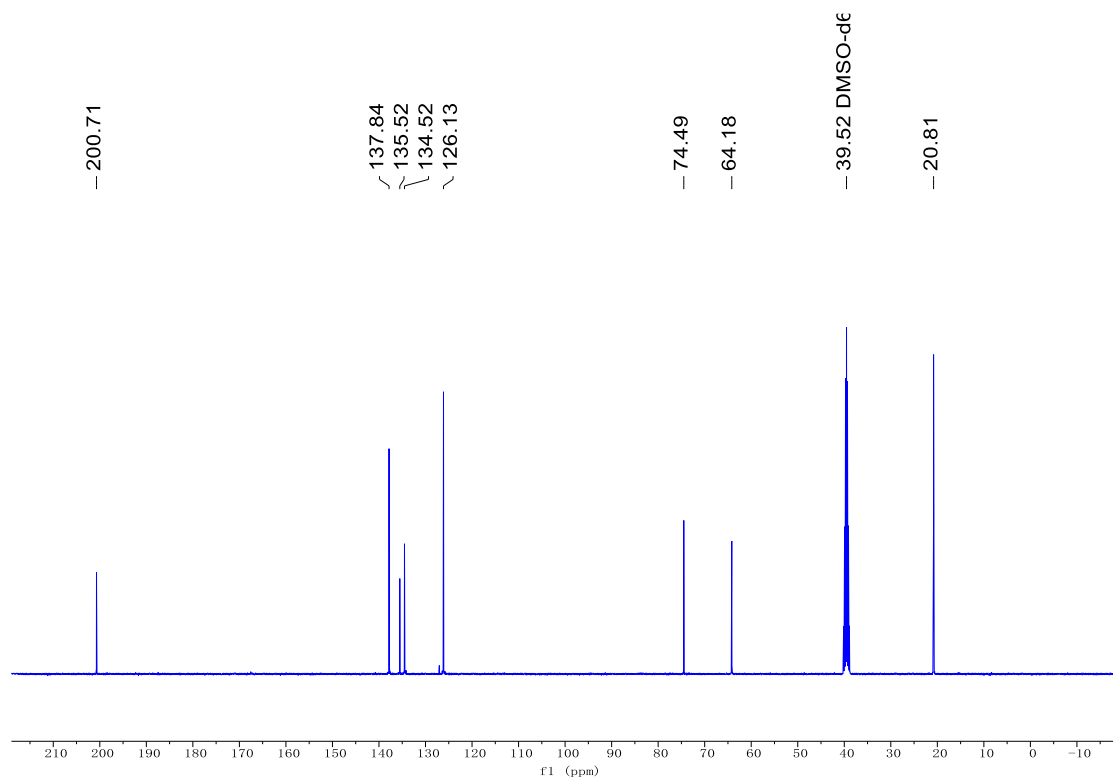


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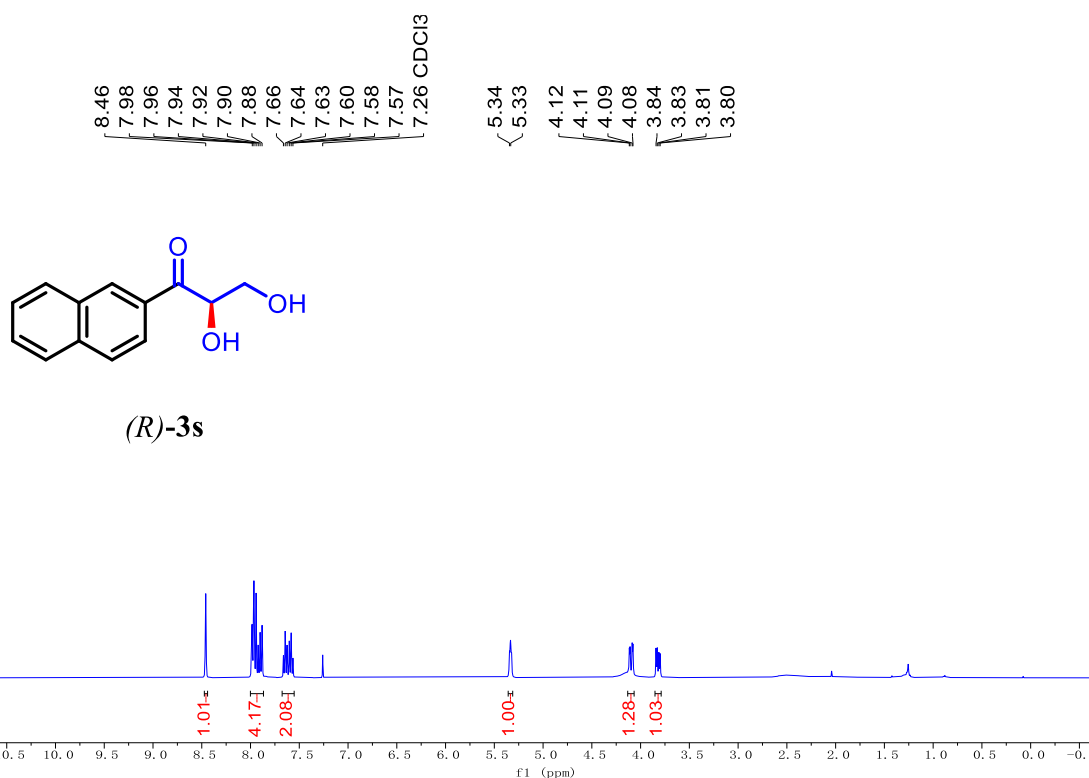


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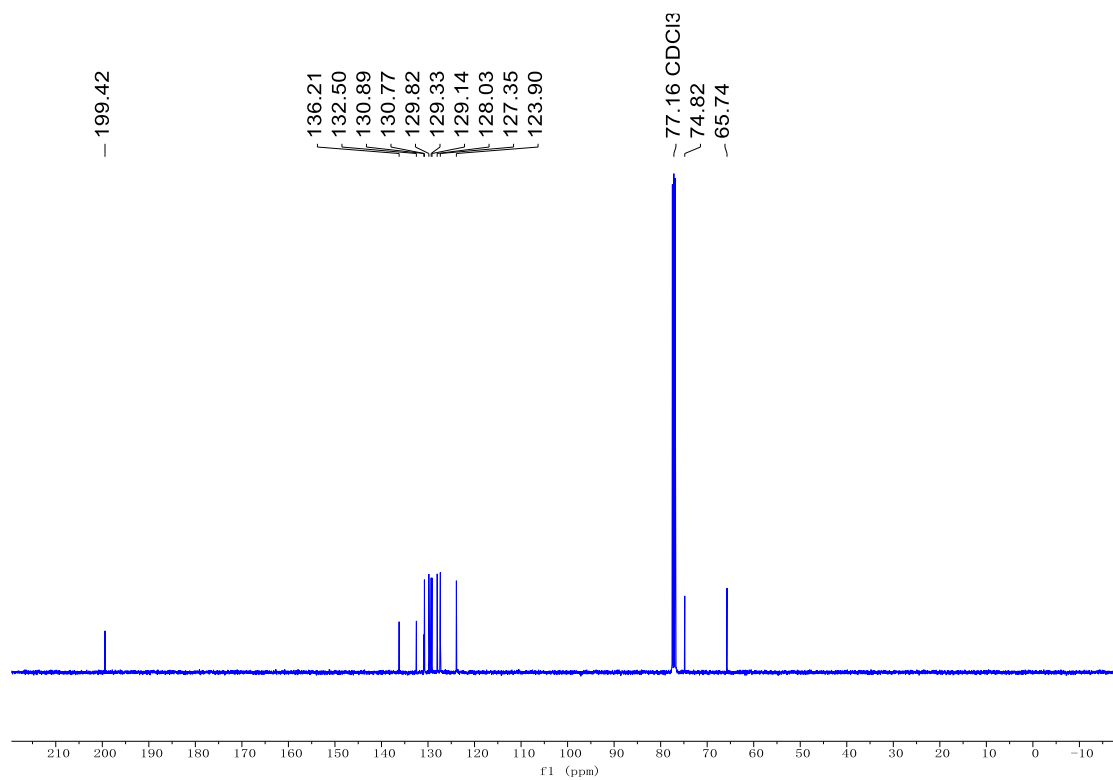


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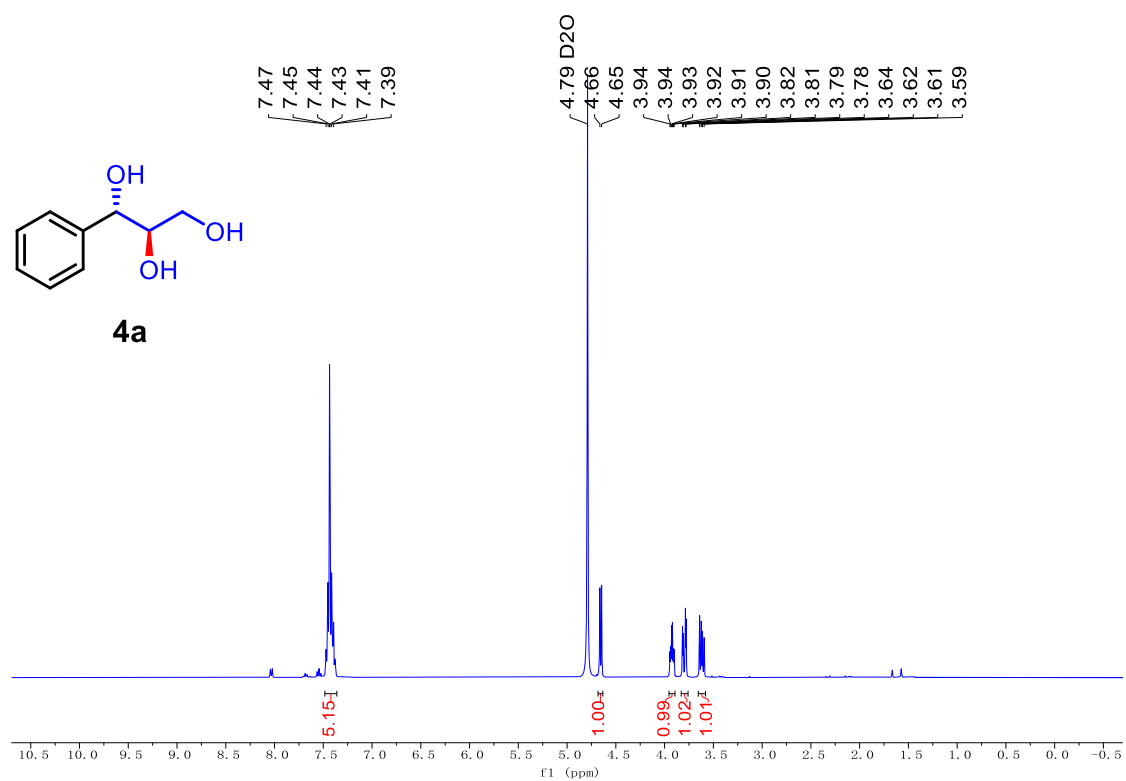


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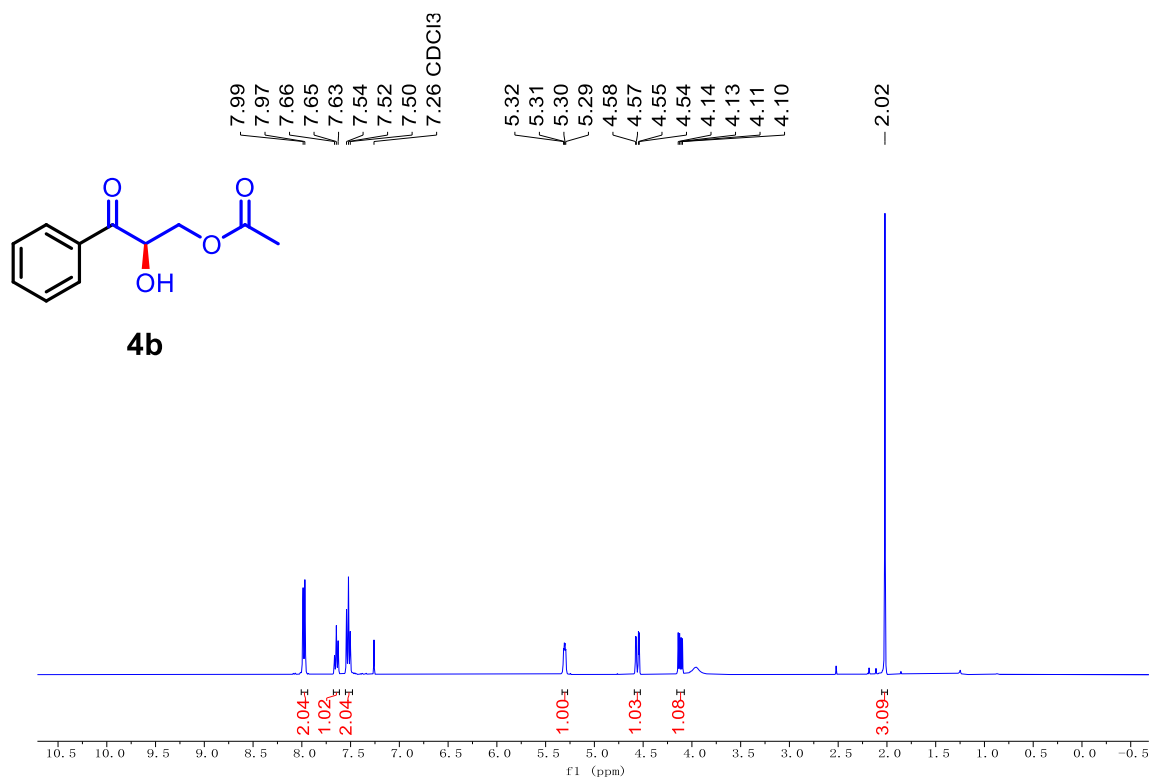
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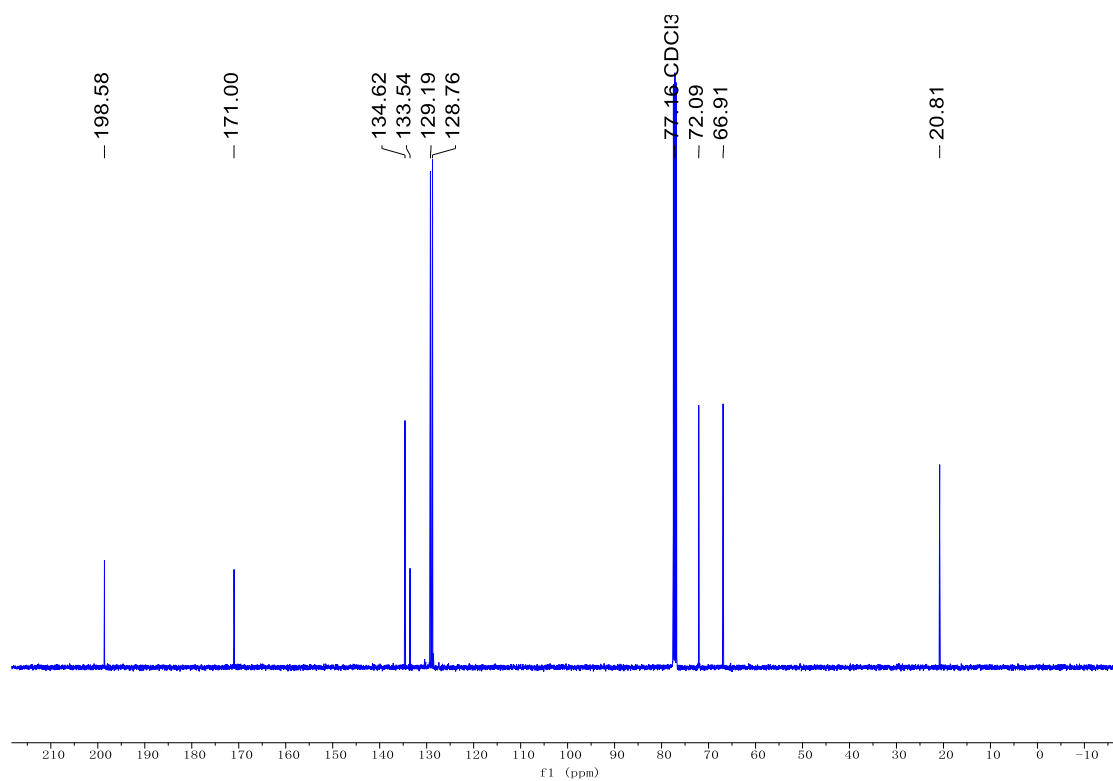
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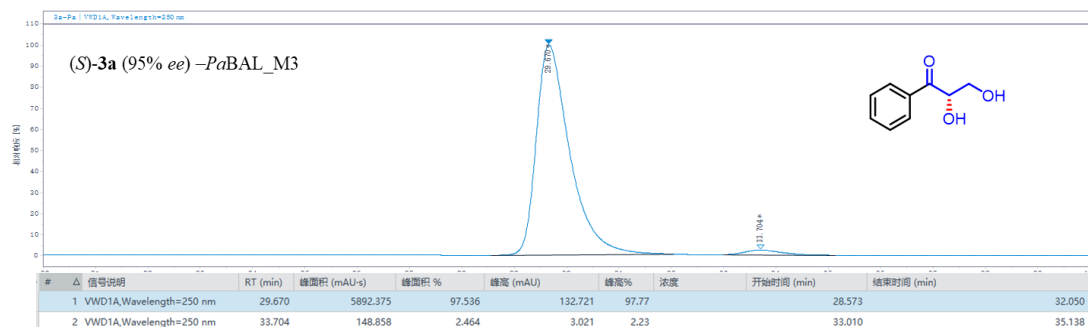
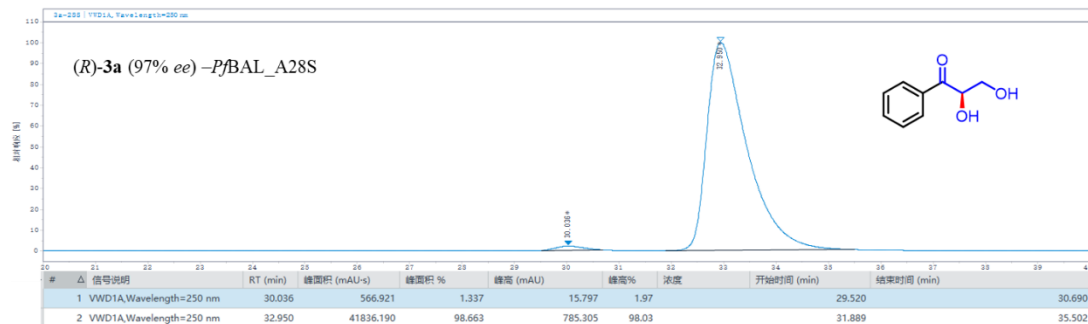
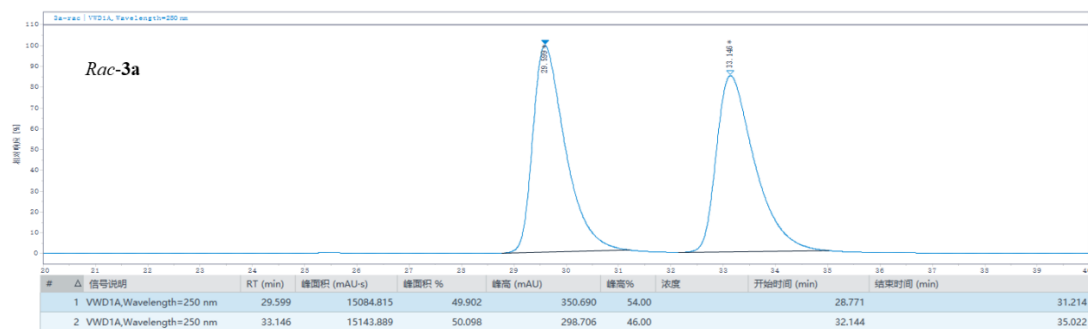


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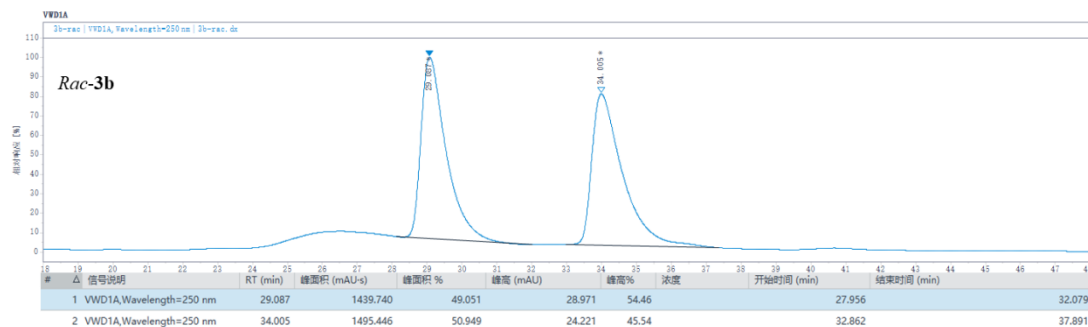


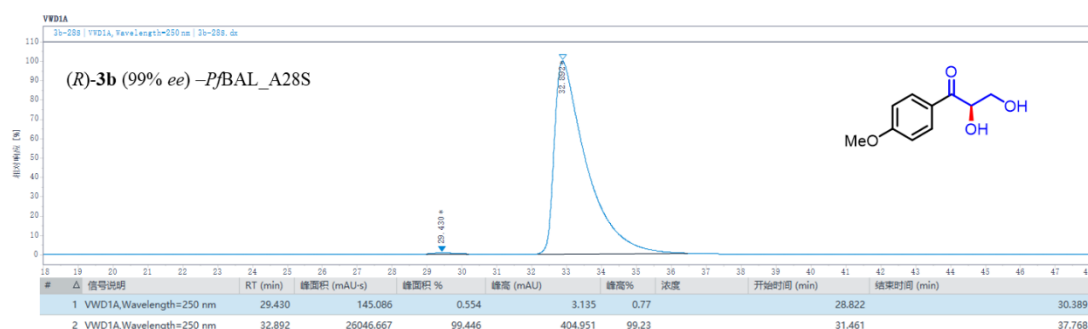
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19. HPLC Spectra of chiral compounds

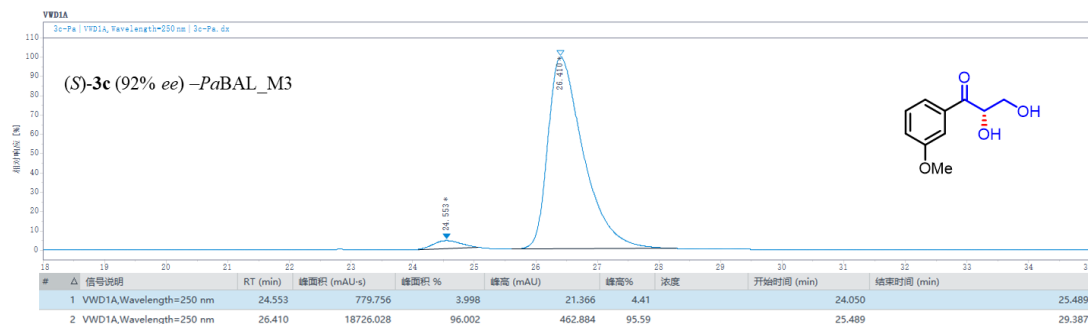
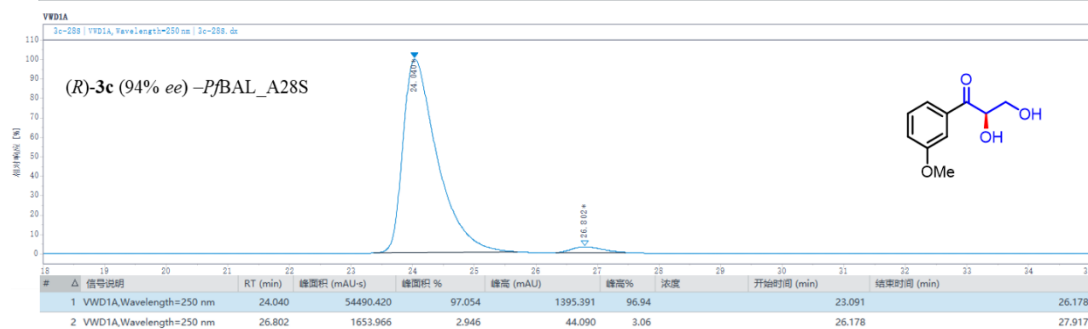
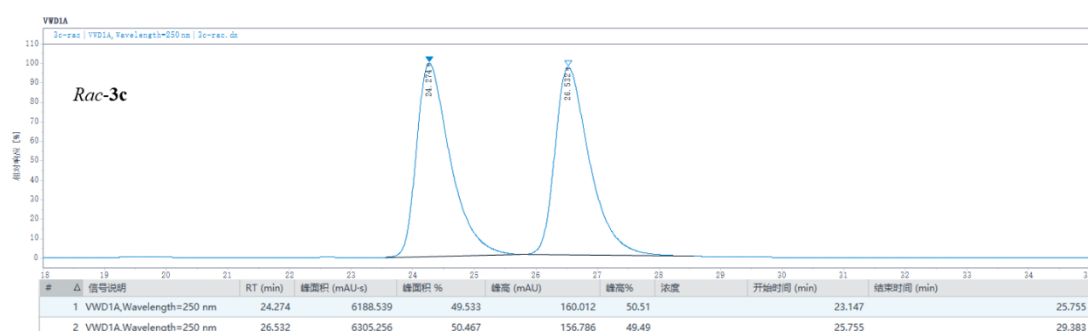


HPLC chromatogram of racemate of 2,3-dihydroxy-1-phenylpropan-1-one (**3a**), products of *PfBAL_A28S* ((*R*)-**3a**) and *PaBAL M3* ((*S*)-**3a**). HPLC conditions: DAICEL IA (*n*-hexane: *i*-PrOH = 95:5, Flow rate = 0.8 mL/min, UV = 250 nm): $t_{R-major} = 32.950$ min (*PfBAL_A28S*) and $t_{R-major} = 29.670$ min (*PaBAL M3*).

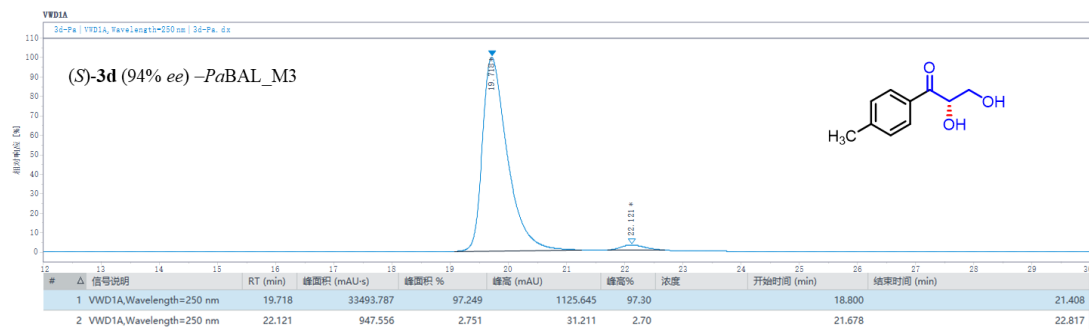
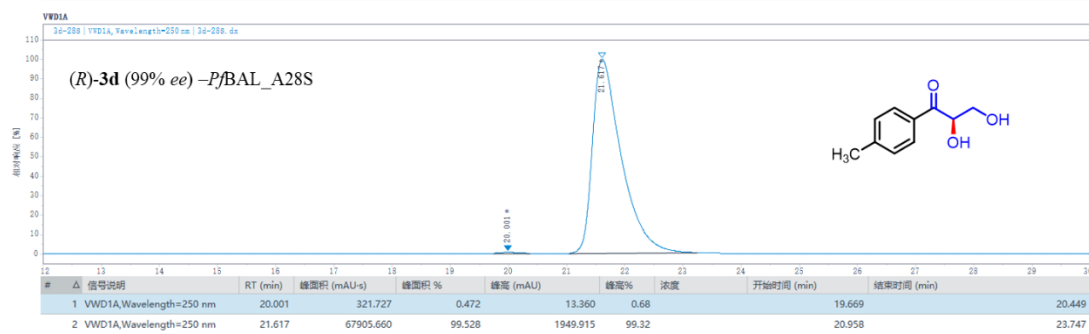
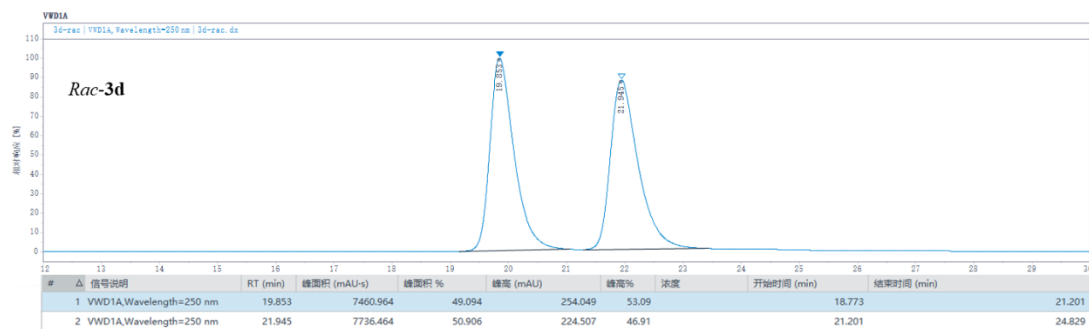




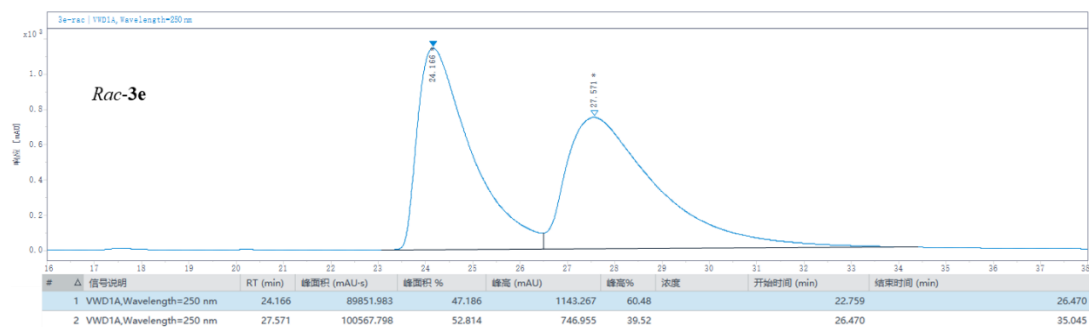
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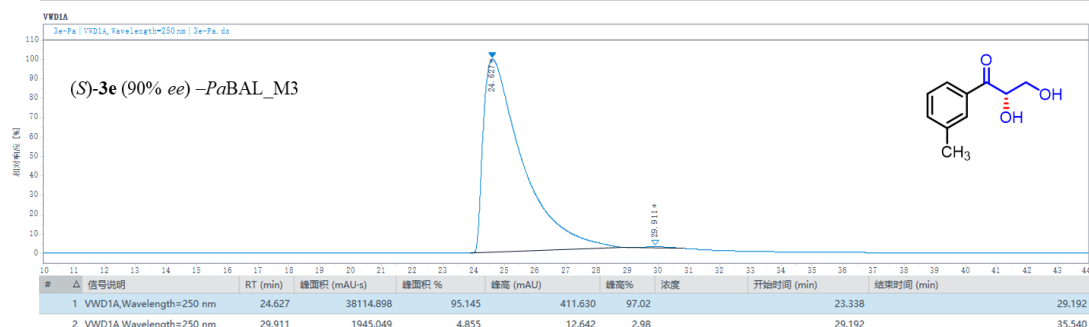
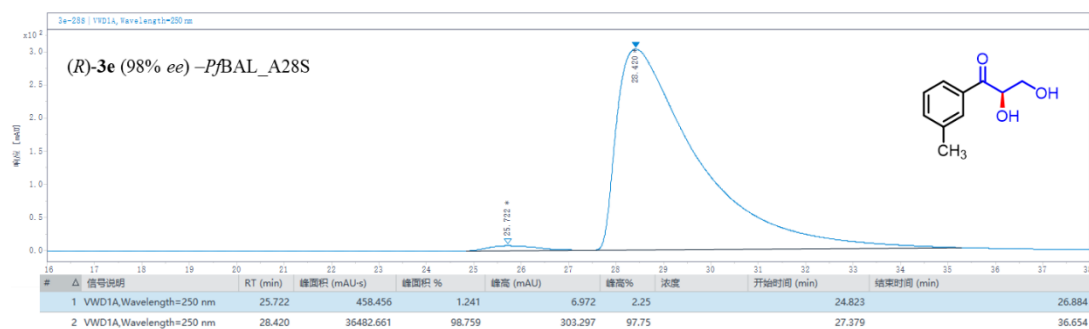


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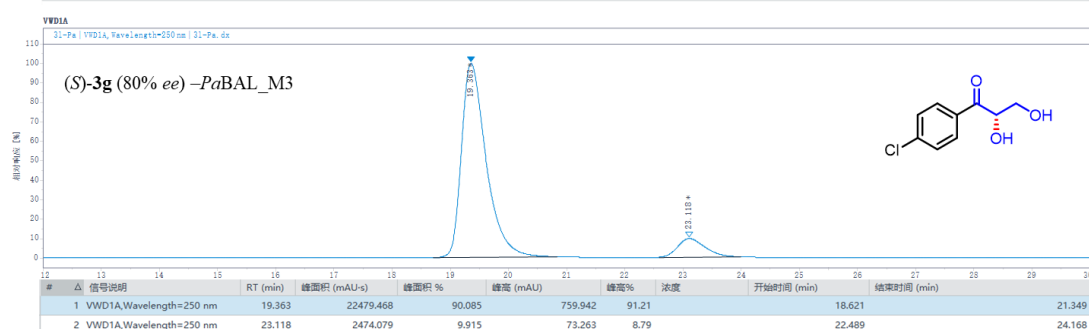
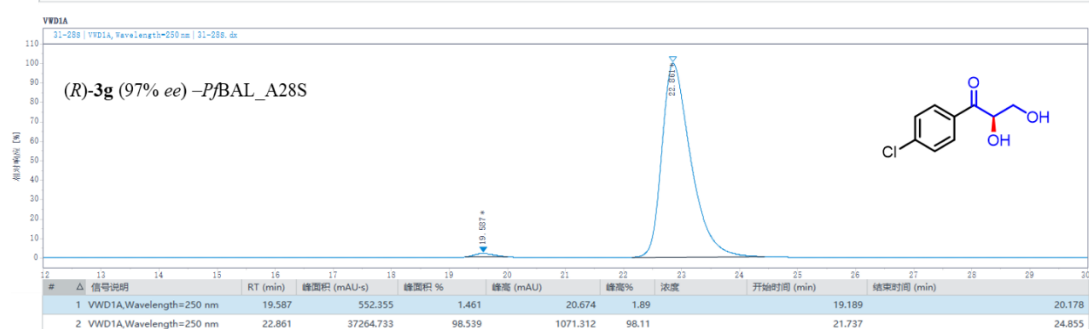
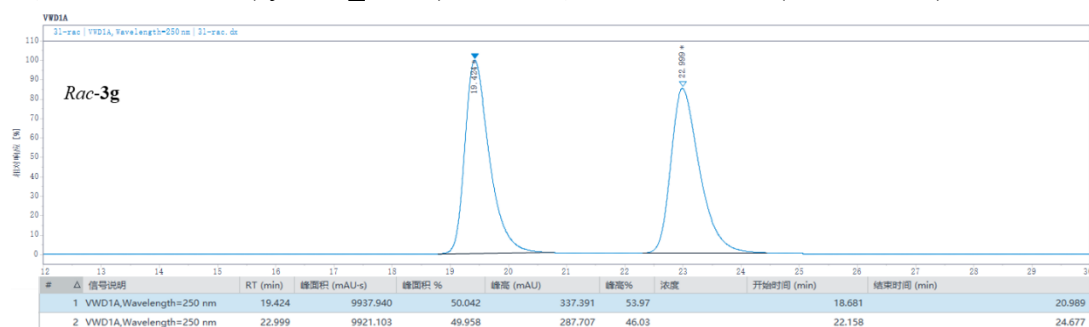


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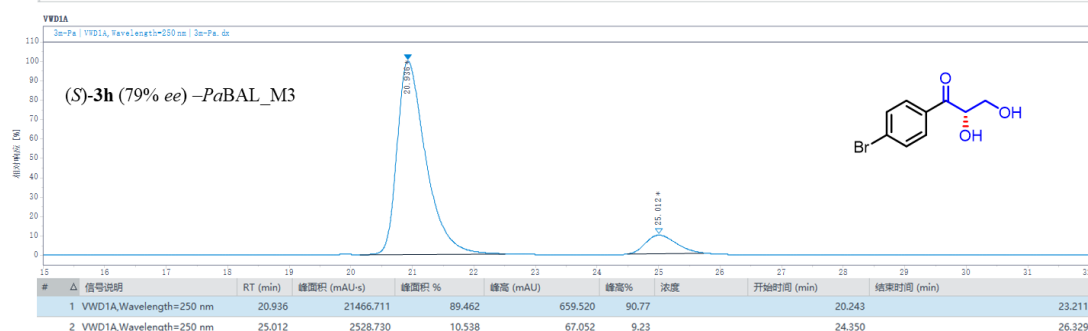
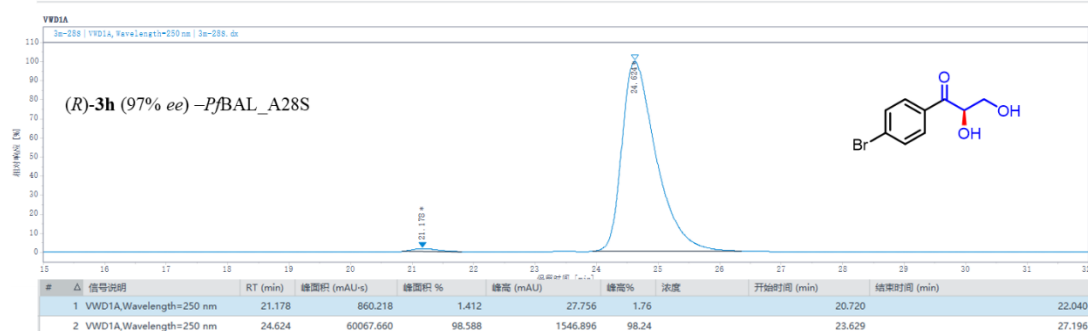
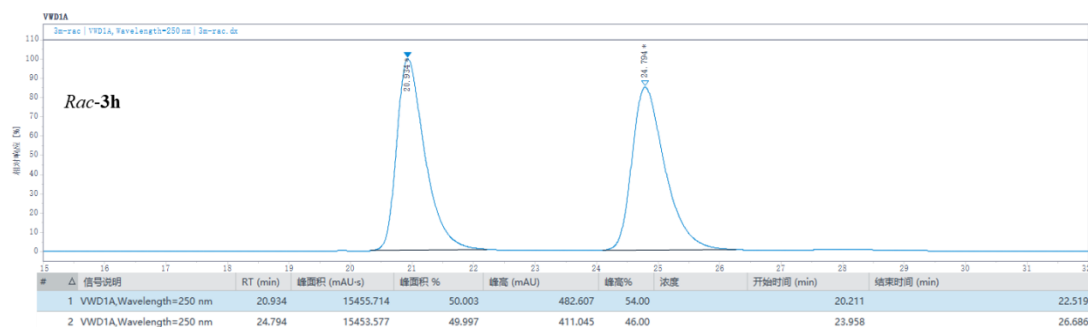




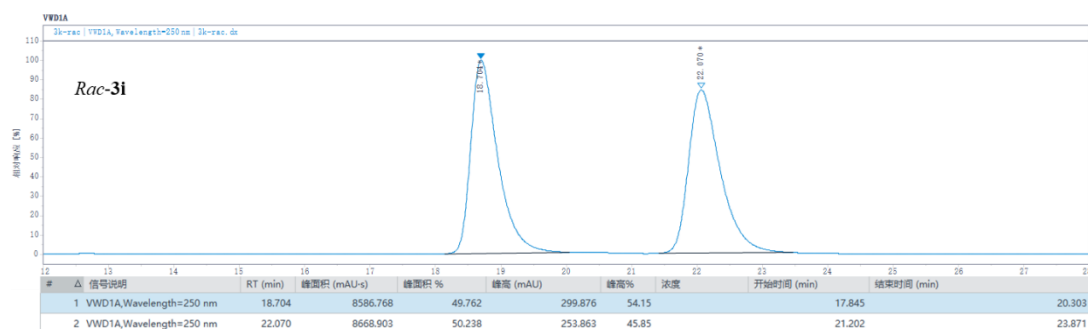
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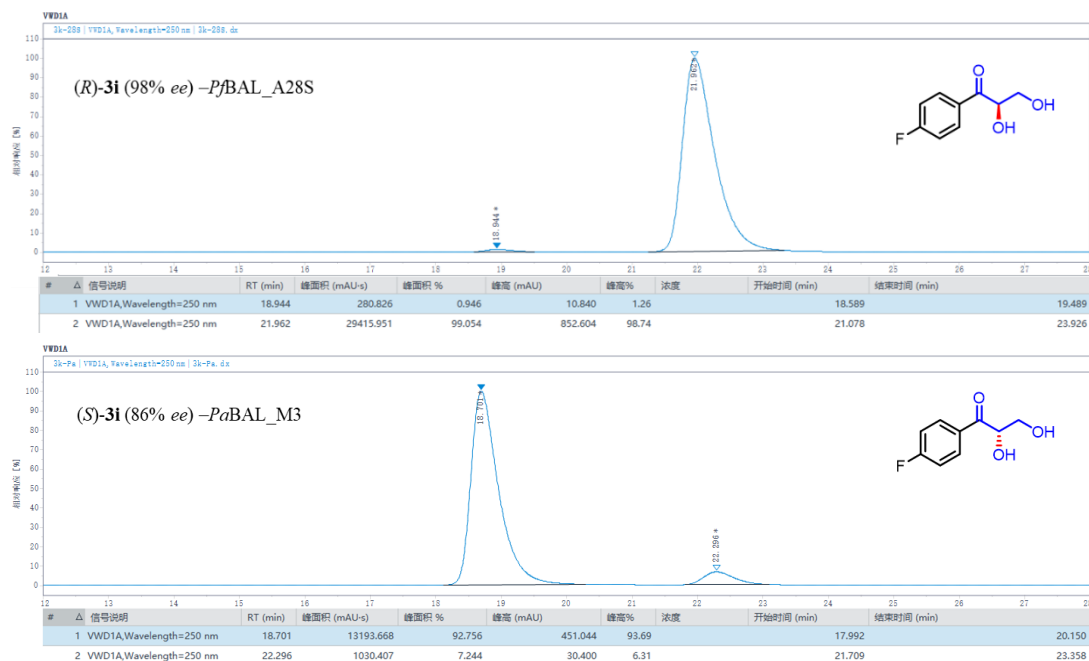


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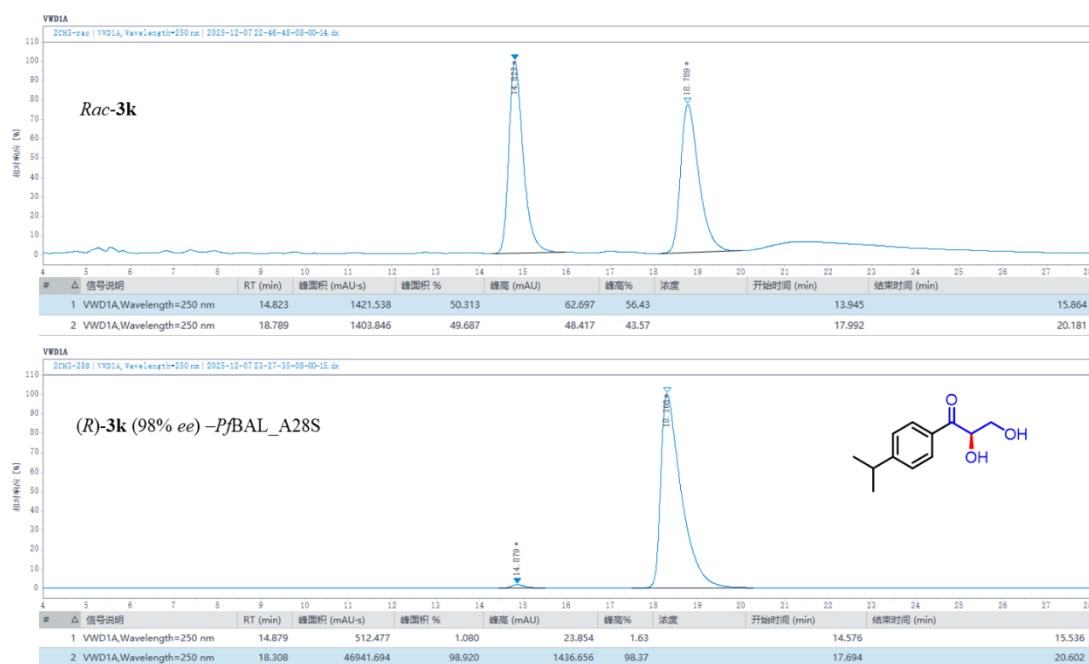


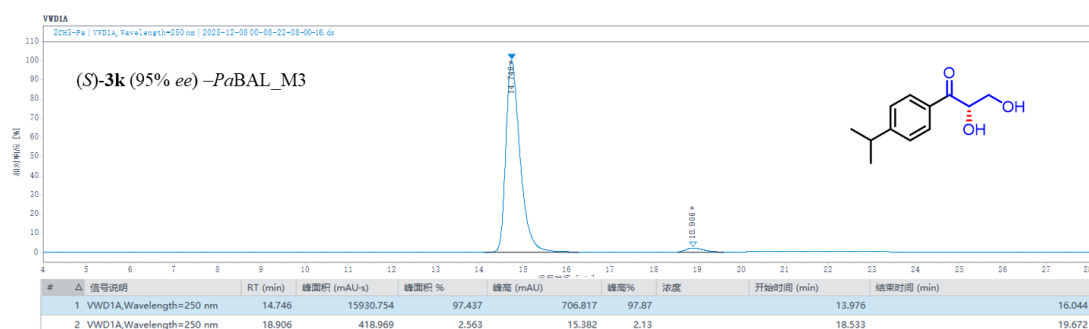
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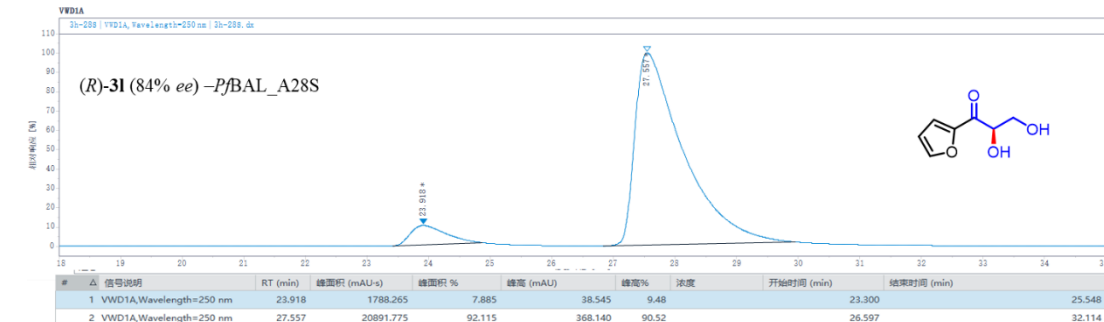
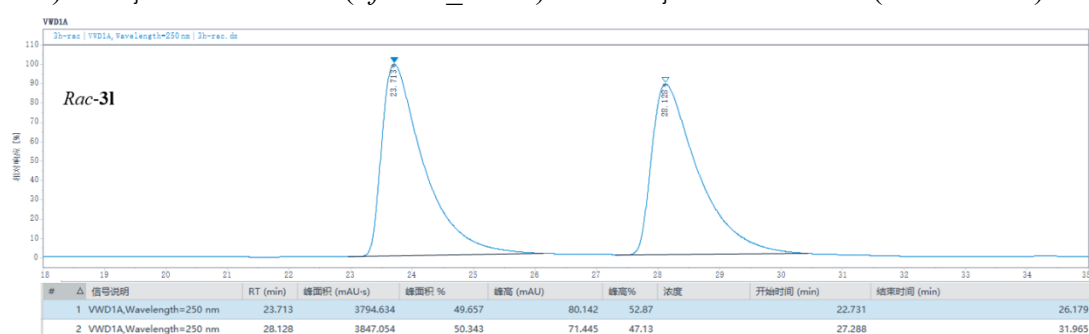


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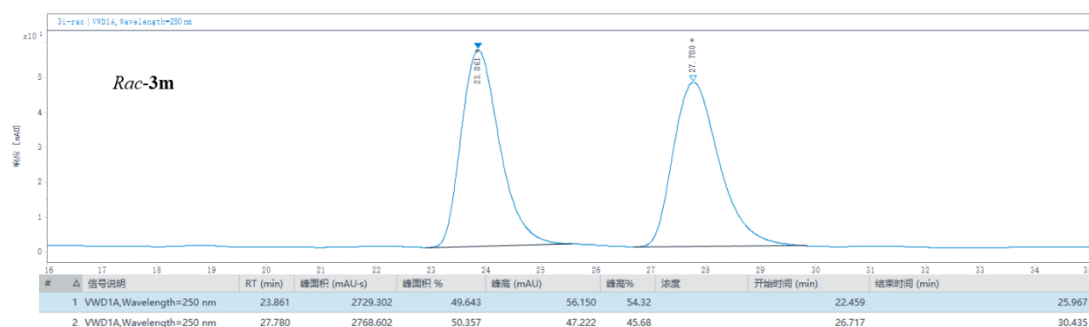


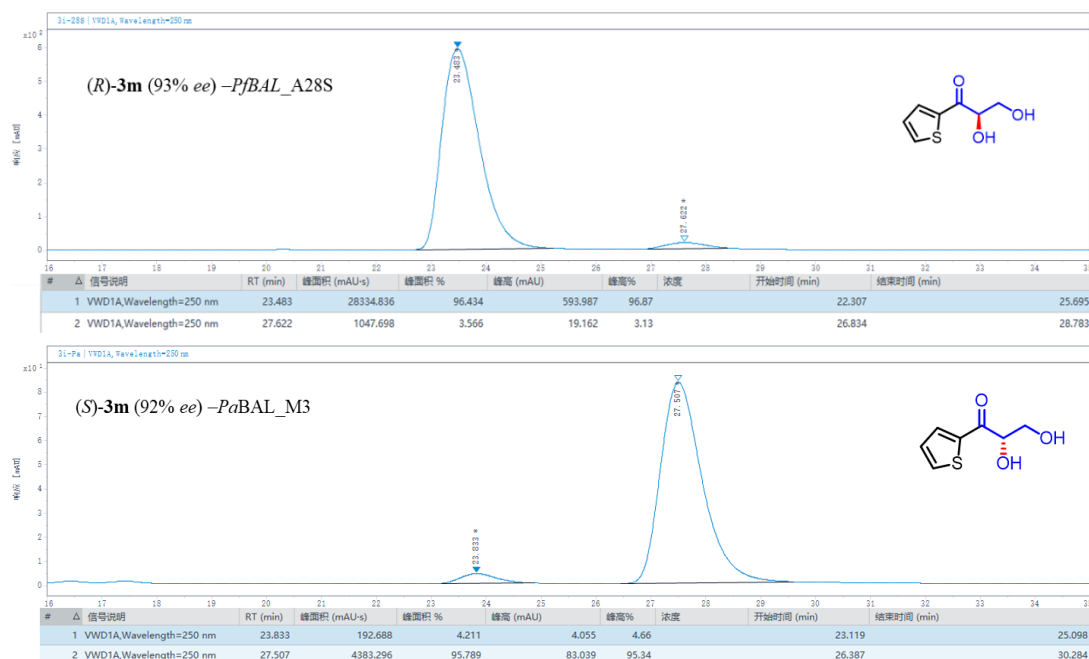


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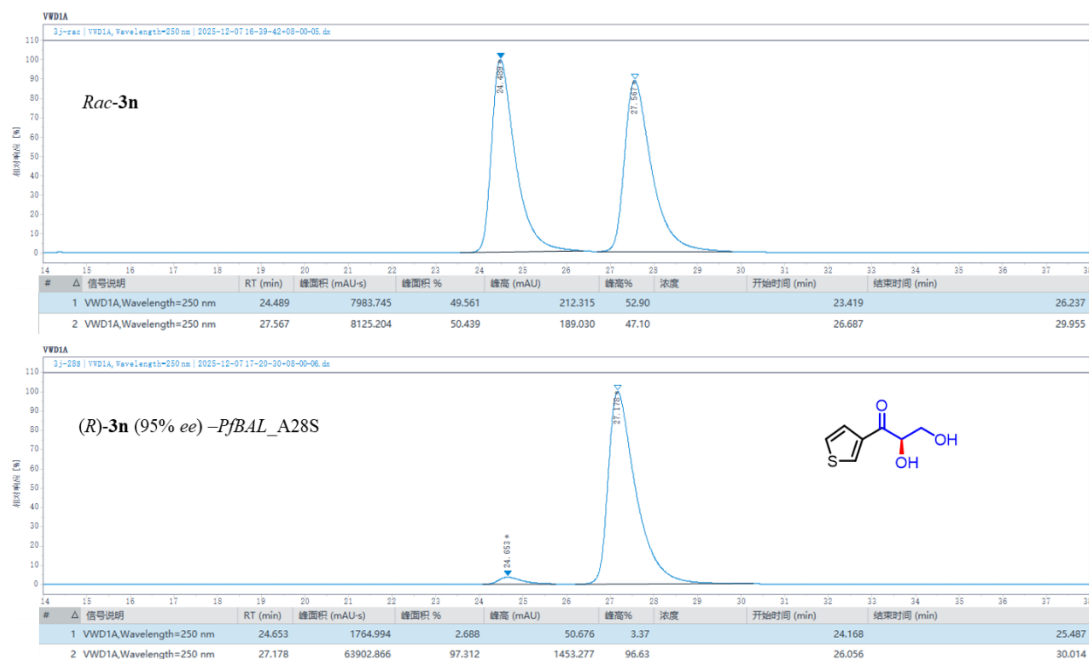


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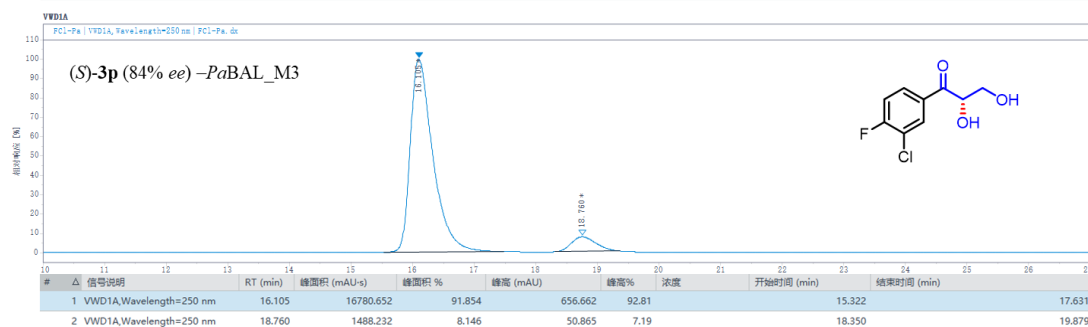
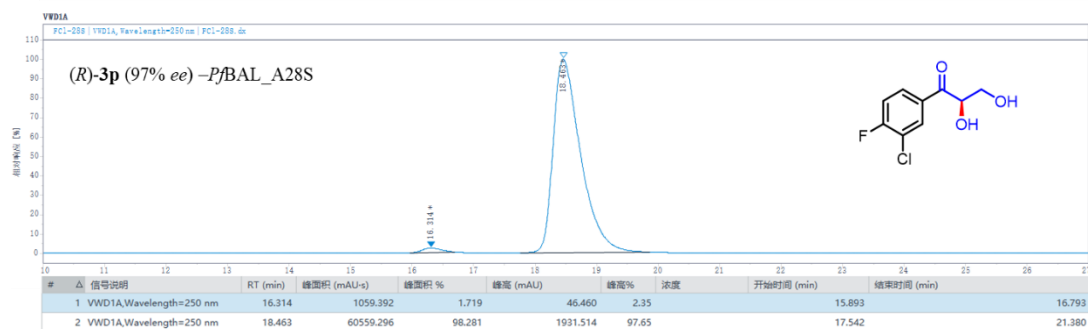
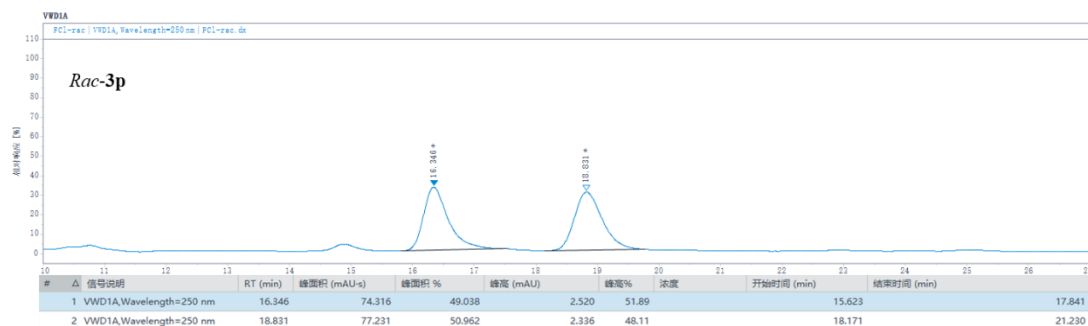




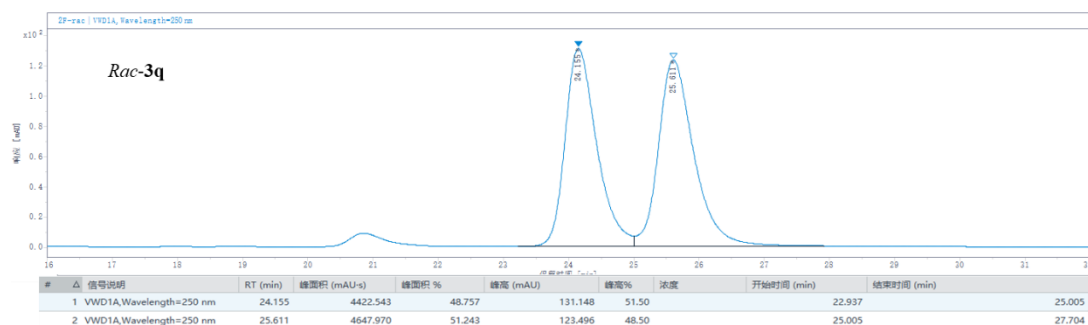
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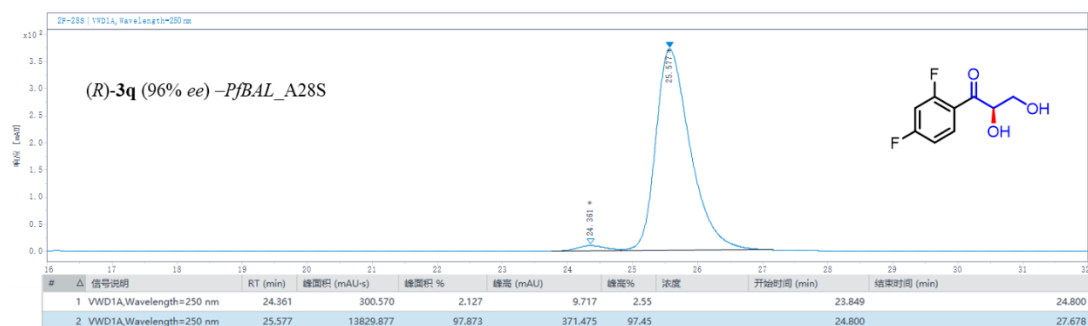


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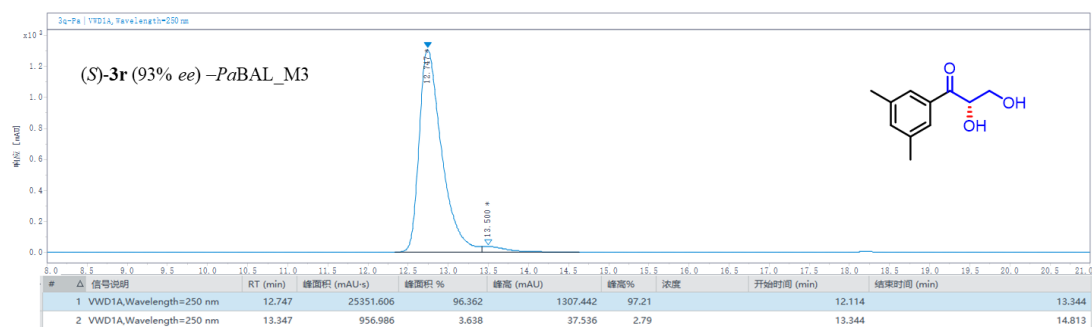
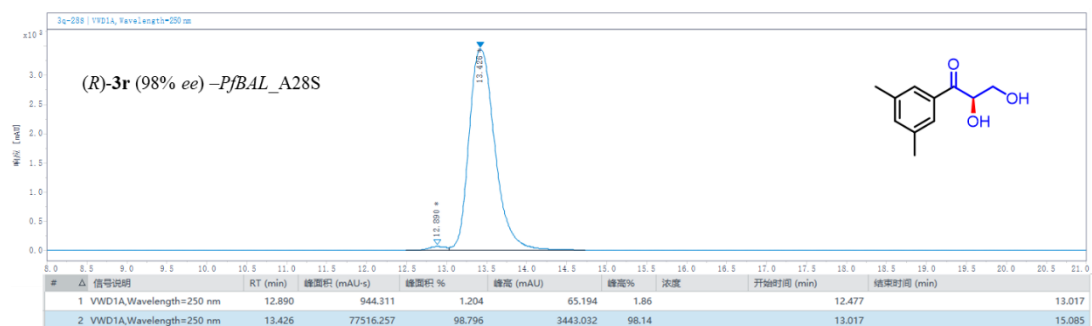
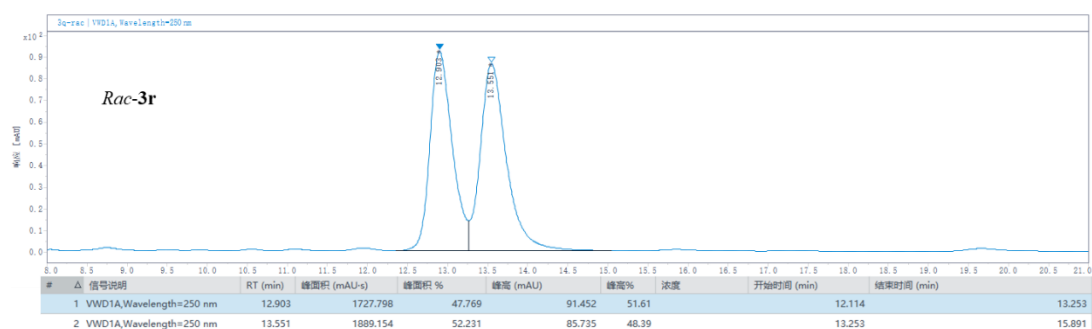


HPLC chromatogram of racemate of 1-(3-chloro-4-fluorophenyl)-2,3-dihydroxypropan-1-one (**3p**), products of *PfBAL_A28S* ((*R*)-**3p**) and *PaBAL M3* ((*S*)-**3p**). HPLC conditions: DAICEL IA (*n*-hexane: *i*-PrOH = 90:10, Flow rate = 0.8 mL/min, UV = 250 nm); $t_{R-major} = 18.463$ min (*PfBAL_A28S*) and $t_{R-major} = 16.105$ min (*PaBAL M3*).

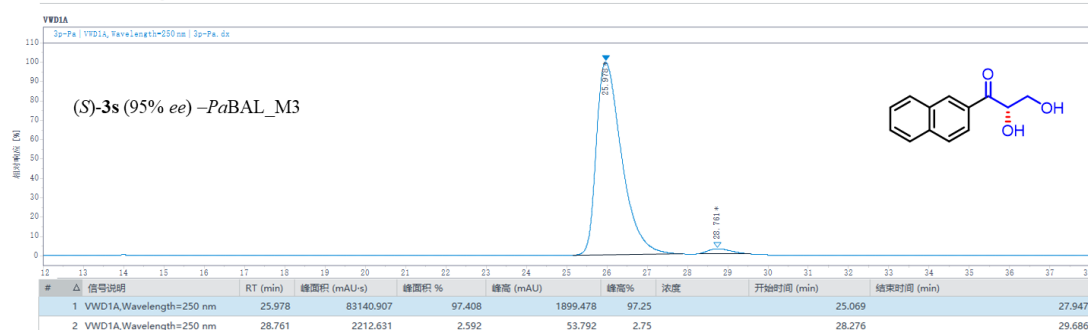
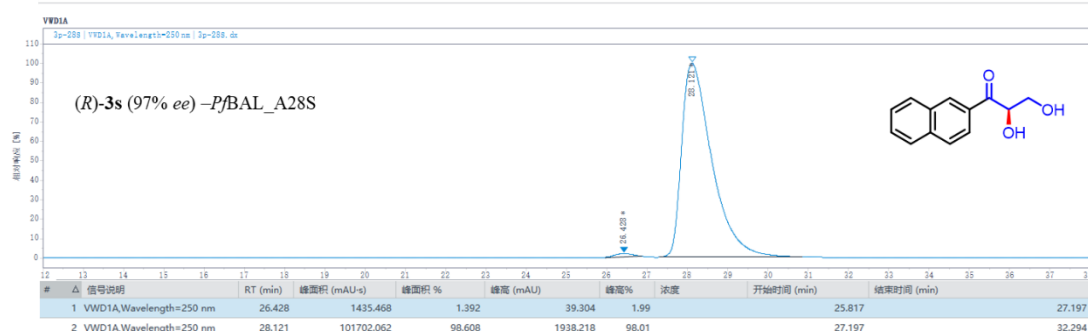
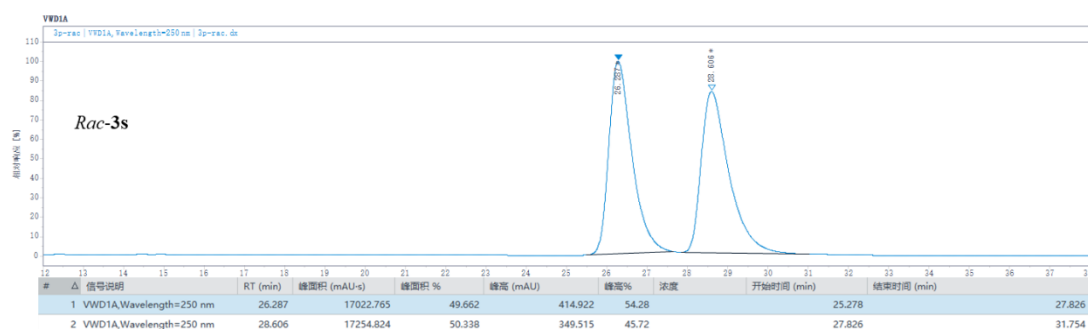




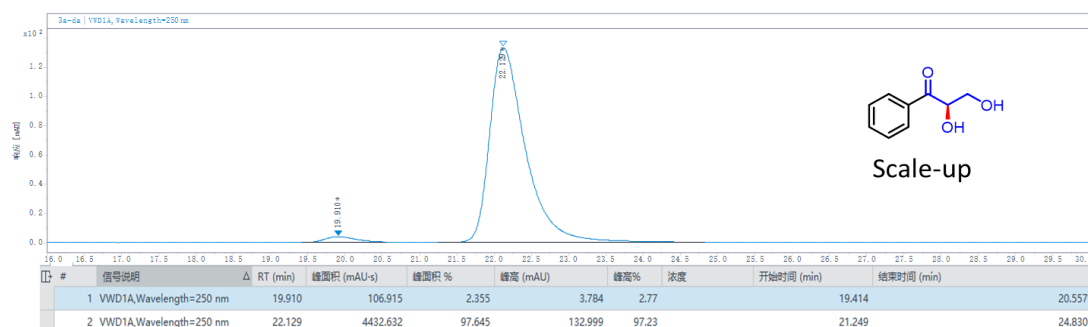
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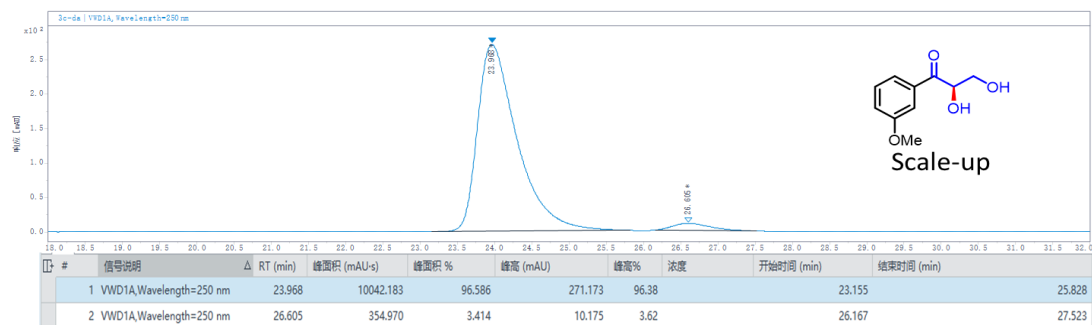
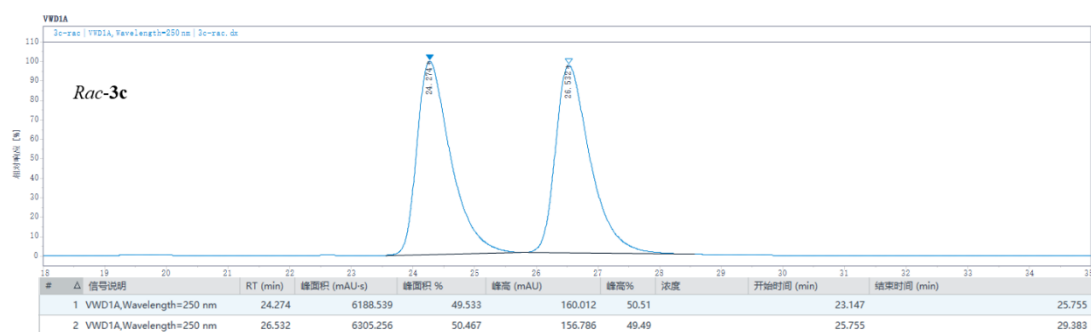
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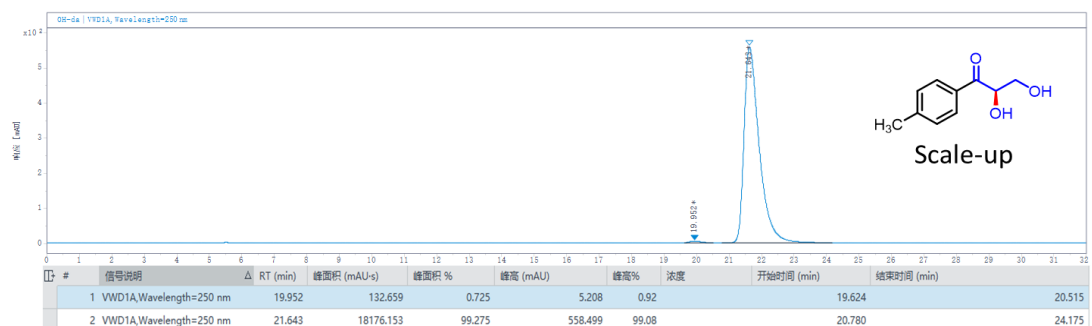
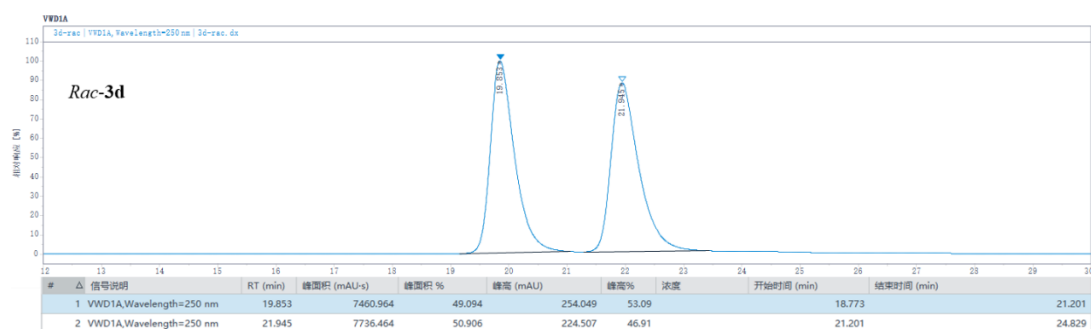
HPLC chromatogram of racemate of 2,3-dihydroxy-1-(naphthalen-2-yl)propan-1-one (**3s**), products of PfBAL_A28S ((R)-**3s**) and PaBAL M3 ((S)-**3s**). HPLC conditions: DAICEL IA (*n*-hexane: *i*-PrOH = 90:10, Flow rate = 0.8 mL/min, UV = 250 nm): $t_{R-major}$ = 28.121 min (PfBAL_A28S) and $t_{R-major}$ = 25.978 min (PaBAL M3).



HPLC chromatogram of scale-up biotransformation product of **3a**. HPLC conditions: DAICEL IA (*n*-hexane: *i*-PrOH = 90:10, Flow rate = 0.8 mL/min, UV = 250 nm): $t_{R-major}$ = 22.129 min and $t_{R-major}$ = 19.910 min



HPLC chromatogram of scale-up biotransformation product of **3c**.



HPLC chromatogram of scale-up biotransformation product of **3d**.

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21. Sequences of proteins

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