

A Domino Synthesis of Benzoquinolinamide in the Presence of Iodine

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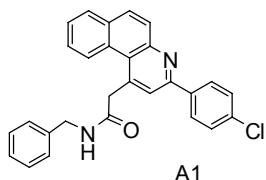
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General information:

All of the reagents were obtained from commercial suppliers and used without further purification. All melting points were uncorrected. The purity was analyzed qualitatively by high performance liquid chromatography (HPLC) on Waters 600E chromatograph, 2487 detector. Mass spectra were taken on an Finnigan TSQ Quantum—LC/MS/MS instrument in the electrospray ionization (positive) mode. ^1H NMR, ^{13}C NMR, DEPT90, COSY, HSQC and HMBC spectra were recorded on a AVANCE 500 and 300 Bruker spectrometer operating at 500 MHz and 125 or 75 MHz in DMSO-*d*6, respectively, and chemical shifts were reported in ppm. Elemental analyses were performed on a Yanagimoto MT3CHN recorder.

Synthetic procedure and analytic data for Table 2:

General procedure for the preparation of compounds A1-A4, A6-A9; general procedure exemplified for A1:



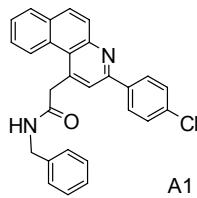
A solution of benzyl amine (2 mmol) and diketene (2 mmol) was stirred in 5 ml of MeCN at room temperature, 2 hours later, naphthalene-2-amine (2 mmol) and 4-chlorobenzaldehyde (2 mmol) were added, the temperature was increased up to 82 °C, and then iodine (0.4 mmol) was added to the refluxing mixture, yellow precipitates were observed after 3 minutes, the reaction was terminated and cooled to room temperature after the mixture was solidified in 5 minutes. 2 ml of MeCN was added, the precipitates were isolated by filtration, and the solid was washed with a solution of sodium thiosulfate followed by water and EtOH. The yellow product N-Benzyl-2-(3-(4-chlorophenyl)benzo[f]quinolin-1-yl)acetamide A1 was obtained after drying in 72% (0.63g), the purity of the corresponding product was high up to 98% based on the analysis of HPLC.

The procedure for the synthesis of A1 under the protection of N₂:

A solution of benzyl amine (2 mmol) and diketene (2 mmol) was stirred in 5 ml of MeCN at room temperature for 2 hours, under dry N₂, the temperature was increased, and naphthalene-2-amine (2 mmol), 4-chlorobenzaldehyde (2 mmol) and iodine (0.4 mmol) were added, after the reaction mixture was solidified, the temperature was then decreased to room temperature while the dry N₂ was continual. The operation was the same as above, and the product A1 was obtained in 72%.

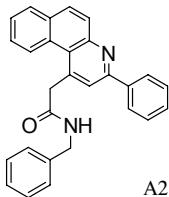
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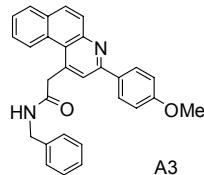
Yellow powder (yield 72%), 98% pure based on the analysis of HPLC. Mp 248-250°C; ^1H NMR (500MHz, DMSO-*d*6) δ 4.35-4.36 (d, CH₂, *J*=6.00Hz, 2H), 4.60 (s, CH₂, 2H), 7.24-7.30 (m, aromatic, 5H), 7.62-7.74 (m, aromatic, 4H), 7.99-8.01 (d, aromatic, *J*=4.00Hz, 1H), 8.09-8.14 (m, aromatic, 2H), 8.24 (s, CH, 1H), 8.32-8.34 (m, aromatic, 2H), 8.69-8.71 (d, aromatic, *J*=5.60Hz, 1H), 8.82 (s, NH, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (125MHz, DMSO-*d*6) δ 42.93, 44.92, 124.69, 125.43, 126.02, 126.35, 126.74, 127.31, 127.5, 127.79, 128.03, 128.13, 128.74, 129.18, 129.29, 129.61, 129.90, 129.93, 130.15, 132.81, 133.79, 134.76, 136.02, 139.75, 146.78, 147.60, 151.86, 169.07; MS (ESI $^+$) *m/z* 437(M + H); Anal. Calcd for C₂₈H₂₁ClN₂O: C, 76.97; H, 4.84; N, 6.41. Found: C, 76.91; H, 4.87; N, 6.50.

N-Benzyl-2-(3-phenylbenzo[f]quinolin-1-yl)acetamide A2:



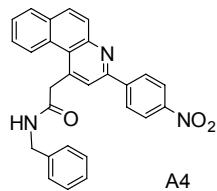
Light yellow floc (yield 67%), 99% pure based on the analysis of HPLC. Mp 208-210°C; ^1H NMR (500MHz, DMSO-*d*6) δ 4.36-4.39 (m, CH₂, 2H), 4.55 (s, CH₂, 2H), 7.23-7.31 (m, aromatic, 5H), 7.55-7.58 (m, aromatic, 1H), 7.61-7.67 (m, aromatic, 3H), 7.73-7.76 (m, aromatic, 1H), 8.04-8.06 (d, aromatic, *J*=9.00Hz, 1H), 8.12-8.14 (m, aromatic, *J*=6.00Hz, 1H), 8.18-8.20 (d, aromatic, *J*=9.00Hz, 1H), 8.27 (s, aromatic, 2H), 8.29 (s, CH, 1H), 8.85-8.86 (d, aromatic, *J*=5.50Hz, 2H), 8.87 (s, NH, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (75MHz, DMSO-*d*6) δ 42.40, 44.41, 124.26, 124.75, 126.79, 126.96, 126.27, 127.49, 127.53, 127.72, 128.21, 128.79, 129.03, 129.36, 130.55, 132.24, 133.22, 139.24, 146.10, 147.70, 152.53, 168.59; MS (ESI $^+$) *m/z* 403(M + H); Anal. Calcd for C₂₈H₂₂N₂O: C, 83.56; H, 5.51; N, 6.96. Found: C, 83.60; H, 5.54; N, 6.99.

N-Benzyl-2-(3-(4-methoxyphenyl)benzo[f]quinolin-1-yl)acetamide A3:



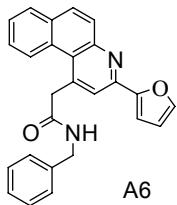
Light yellow powder (yield 61%), 99% pure based on the analysis of HPLC. Mp 244-246°C; ^1H NMR (500MHz, DMSO-*d*6) δ 3.92 (s, CH₃, 3H), 4.36-4.37 (d, CH₂, *J*=4.50Hz, 2H), 4.71 (s, CH₂, 2H), 7.26-7.42 (m, aromatic, 7H), 7.73-7.85 (m, aromatic, 2H), 8.19-8.23 (m, aromatic, 4H), 8.41-8.43 (d, aromatic, *J*=7.50Hz, 1H), 8.48 (s, CH, 1H), 8.72-8.73 (d, aromatic, *J*=6.00Hz, 1H), 8.95 (s, NH, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (125MHz, DMSO-*d*6) δ 42.95, 45.14, 56.22, 115.38, 124.93, 125.08, 125.67, 127.25, 127.36, 127.80, 128.64, 128.77, 128.82, 130.30, 130.88, 132.56, 135.70, 139.63, 143.31, 151.10, 162.84, 168.58; MS (ESI $^+$) *m/z* 433(M + H); Anal. Calcd for C₂₉H₂₄N₂O₂: C, 80.53; H, 5.59; N, 6.48. Found: C, 80.51; H, 5.47; N, 6.46.

N-Benzyl-2-(3-(4-nitrophenyl)benzo[*f*]quinolin-1-yl)acetamide A4:



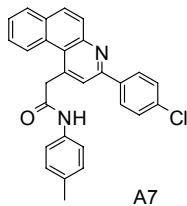
Brown yellow powder (yield 50%), 96% pure based on the analysis of HPLC. Mp 239-241°C; ^1H NMR (500MHz, DMSO-*d*6) δ 4.35-4.37 (d, CH₂, *J*=5.50 Hz, 2H), 4.55 (s, CH₂, 2H), 7.24-7.31 (m, aromatic, 5H), 7.63-7.78 (m, aromatic, 2H), 8.03-8.20 (m, aromatic, 3H), 8.38 (s, CH, 1H), 8.41-8.42 (d, aromatic, *J*=9.00 Hz, 2H), 8.51-8.53 (s, CH, *J*=8.00Hz, 2H), 8.70-8.71 (d, aromatic, *J*=7.50 Hz, 1H), 8.84-8.87 (m, NH, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (125MHz, DMSO-*d*6) δ 42.89, 44.77, 124.38, 124.61, 125.67, 127.28, 127.43, 127.72, 127.77, 127.82, 128.55, 128.74, 129.26, 129.70, 132.25, 133.11, 139.86, 144.42, 144.58, 148.48, 149.59, 152.18, 169.48; MS (ESI $^+$) *m/z* 448(M + H); Anal. Calcd for C₂₈H₂₁N₃O₃: C, 75.15; H, 4.73; N, 9.39. Found: C, 75.09; H, 4.62; N, 9.41.

N-Benzyl-2-(3-(furan-2-yl)benzo[*f*]quinolin-1-yl)acetamide A6:



Brown yellow (yield 52%), 97% pure based on the analysis of HPLC. Mp 198-200°C; ^1H NMR (500MHz, DMSO-*d*6) δ 4.29-4.35 (d, CH₂, 2H), 4.53 (s, CH₂, 2H), 6.82 (s, CH, 1H), 7.26-7.39 (m, aromatic, 5H), 7.47-7.58 (m, aromatic, 1H), 7.60-7.86 (m, aromatic, 2H), 8.01-8.06 (m, aromatic, 2H), 8.12-8.25 (m, aromatic, 3H), 8.66-8.68 (d, aromatic, *J*=8.00 Hz, 1H), 8.85 (s, NH, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (125MHz, DMSO-*d*6) δ 42.89, 44.80, 113.47, 122.22, 124.81, 127.30, 127.39, 127.72, 127.77, 128.73, 129.60, 129.74, 132.70, 133.11, 139.78, 146.30, 169.24; MS (ESI⁺) *m/z* 393(M + H); Anal. Calcd for C₂₆H₂₀N₂O₂: C, 79.57; H, 5.14; N, 7.14. Found: C, 79.51; H, 5.08; N, 7.19.

2-(3-(4-Chlorophenyl)benzo[f]quinolin-1-yl)-N-p-tolylacetamide A7:



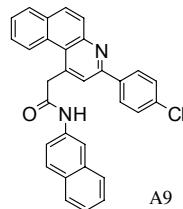
Yellow powder (yield 67%), 98% pure based on the analysis of HPLC. Mp 262-265°C; ^1H NMR (500MHz, DMSO-*d*6) δ 2.24 (s, CH₃, 3H), 4.77 (s, CH₂, 2H), 7.11-7.12 (d, aromatic, *J*=7.50 Hz, 2H), 7.47-7.48 (d, aromatic, *J*=7.50 Hz, 2H), 7.69-7.71 (d, aromatic, *J*=8.00 Hz, 1H), 7.71-7.75 (m, aromatic, 1H), 8.08-8.10 (d, aromatic, *J*=9.00 Hz, 1H), 7.60-7.86 (m, aromatic, 1H), 8.01-8.06 (m, aromatic, 1H), 8.10-8.13 (m, aromatic, 1H), 8.24-8.26 (d, aromatic, *J*=9.00 Hz, 1H), 8.29-8.30 (d, aromatic, *J*=8.00 Hz, 2H), 8.43 (s, CH, 1H), 8.76-8.77 (d, aromatic, 1H), 10.49 (s, NH, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (125MHz, DMSO-*d*6) δ 20.90, 45.64, 119.72, 120.02, 120.30, 124.57, 125.40, 126.51, 127.30, 127.96, 128.06, 128.84, 129.39, 129.60, 129.64, 129.84, 129.90, 132.84, 133.04, 133.52, 135.11, 135.89, 136.84, 146.98, 147.16, 152.11, 167.85; MS (ESI⁺) *m/z* 437(M + H); Anal. Calcd for C₂₈H₂₁ClN₂O: C, 76.97; H, 4.84; N, 6.41. Found: C, 76.98; H, 4.79; N, 6.47.

N-Butyl-2-(3-(4-chlorophenyl)benzo[f]quinolin-1-yl)acetamide A8:



Light yellow powder (yield 64%), 99% pure based on the analysis of HPLC. Mp 218-215°C; ^1H NMR (500MHz, DMSO-*d*6) δ 0.84-0.86 (m, CH₃, 3H), 1.25-1.32 (m, CH₂, 2H), 1.38-1.44 (m, CH₂, 2H), 3.11-3.15 (m, CH₂, 2H), 4.42 (s, CH₂, 2H), 7.61-7.74 (m, aromatic, 4H), 8.00-8.01 (d, aromatic, *J*=9.00 Hz, 1H), 8.09-8.11 (d, aromatic, *J*=7.50 Hz, 1H), 8.13-8.15 (d, aromatic, *J*=9.00 Hz, 1H), 8.23 (s, CH, 1H), 8.29-8.31 (m, NH, 1H), 8.34-8.36 (d, aromatic, *J*=8.50 Hz, 2H), 8.67-8.70 (d, aromatic, *J*=8.50 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (125MHz, DMSO-*d*6) δ 14.10, 19.99, 31.65, 38.89, 44.80, 123.59, 125.06, 127.22, 127.56, 128.71, 129.00, 129.20, 129.44, 129.55, 129.80, 132.03, 132.83, 135.03, 137.00, 144.76, 149.19, 153.11, 169.32; MS (ESI $^+$) *m/z* 437(M + H); Anal. Calcd for C₂₈H₂₁ClN₂O: C, 76.97; H, 4.84; N, 6.41. Found: C, 76.98; H, 4.79; N, 6.47.

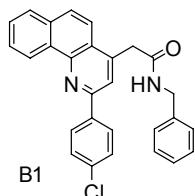
2-(3-(4-Chlorophenyl)benzo[f]quinolin-1-yl)-N-(naphthalen-2-yl)acetamide A9:



Brown yellow powder (yield 66%), 95% pure based on the analysis of HPLC. Mp 260-263°C; ^1H NMR (500MHz, DMSO-*d*6) δ 4.81 (s, CH₂, 2H), 7.40-7.45 (m, aromatic, 2H), 7.64-7.66 (d, aromatic, *J*=8.50 Hz, 1H), 7.70-7.78 (m, aromatic, 5H), 7.84-7.85 (d, aromatic, *J*=7.00 Hz, 1H), 7.89-7.90 (d, aromatic, *J*=8.50 Hz, 1H), 8.09-8.15 (m, aromatic, 2H), 8.24-8.26 (m, aromatic, 2H), 8.34-8.35 (d, aromatic, *J*=7.00 Hz, 2H), 8.43 (s, CH, 1H), 8.79-8.81 (d, aromatic, 1H), 10.80 (s, NH, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (125MHz, DMSO-*d*6) δ 45.73, 116.03, 120.51, 124.37, 126.19, 125.33, 126.93, 127.31, 127.75, 127.93, 128.96, 129.60, 129.70, 129.87, 130.35, 132.89, 133.84, 135.67, 137.01, 152.48, 168.48; MS (ESI $^+$) *m/z* 473(M + H); Anal. Calcd for C₃₁H₂₁ClN₂O: C, 78.72; H, 4.48; N, 5.92. Found: C, 78.75; H, 4.51; N, 5.98.

Synthetic procedure and analytic data for Scheme 2:

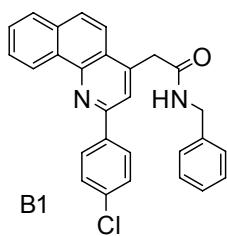
General procedure for the preparation of compounds B1-B2; general procedure exemplified for B1:



A solution of benzyl amine (2 mmol) and diketene (2 mmol) was stirred in 5 ml of MeCN at room temperature, after 2 hours, naphthalene-1-amine (2 mmol) and 4-chlorobenzaldehyde (2 mmol) were added, the temperature was increased up to 82 °C, and then iodine (0.4 mmol) was added to the refluxing mixture, yellow precipitate was observed after 15 minutes, the reaction was terminated and cooled to room temperature after the mixture was solidified in 45 minutes. 2 ml of MeCN was added, the precipitates were isolated by filtration, and the solid was washed with a solution of sodium thiosulfate followed by water and EtOH. The yellow product N-benzyl-2-(2-(4-chlorophenyl)benzo[h]quinolin-4-yl)acetamide B1 was obtained after drying in 36% (0.31g), the purity of the corresponding product was high up to 97% based on the analysis of HPLC.

Characterization Data for compounds B1, B2:

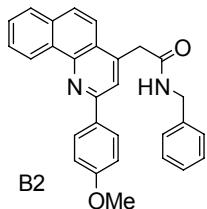
N-Benzyl-2-(2-(4-chlorophenyl)benzo[h]quinolin-4-yl)acetamide B1:



Light yellow powder (yield 36%), 91% pure based on the analysis of HPLC. Mp 248-250°C; ¹H NMR (500MHz, DMSO-*d*6) δ 4.18 (s, CH₂, 2H), 4.32 (s, CH₂, 2H), 7.27-7.44 (m, aromatic, 5H), 7.67-7.68 (d, aromatic, *J*=7.5Hz, 2H), 7.79 (s, aromatic, *J*=4.00Hz, 2H), 7.97-7.98 (d, aromatic, *J*=7.5Hz, 1H), 8.06-8.15 (m, aromatic, 2H), 8.25 (s, CH, 1H), 8.41-8.43 (d, aromatic, *J*=7.5Hz, 2H), 8.82 (s, NH, 1H), 8.39 (m,

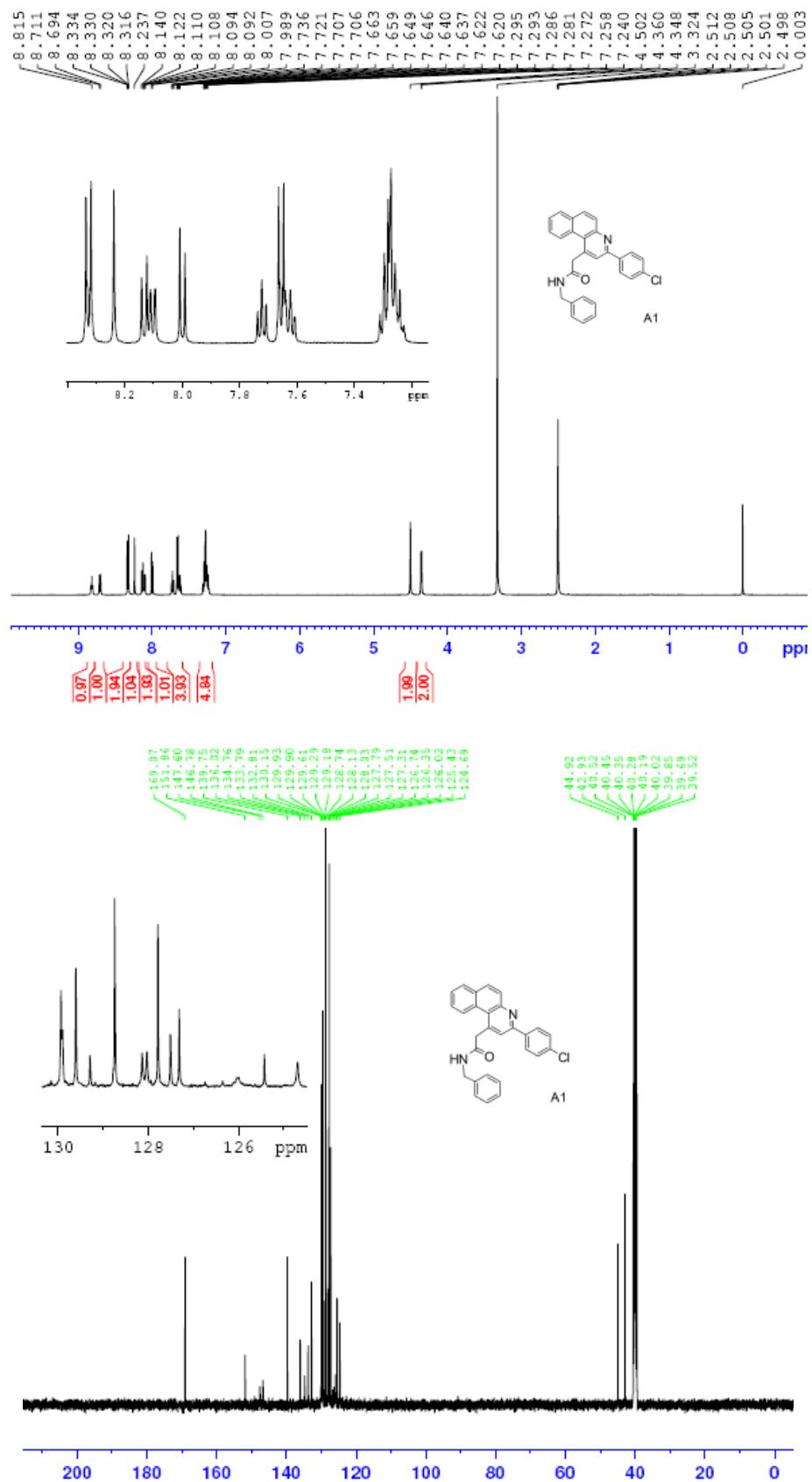
aromatic, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (125MHz, DMSO-*d*6) δ 31.16, 42.85, 121.03, 122.25, 124.84, 124.97, 127.32, 127.64, 127.74, 127.80, 128.39, 128.76, 128.91, 129.18, 129.25, 129.46, 131.59, 133.68, 134.87, 137.98, 139.80, 144.30, 145.79, 153.22, 169.42; MS (ESI $^+$) *m/z* 437(M + H); Anal. Calcd for C₂₈H₂₁ClN₂O: C, 76.97; H, 4.84; N, 6.41. Found: C, 76.86; H, 4.91; N, 6.43.

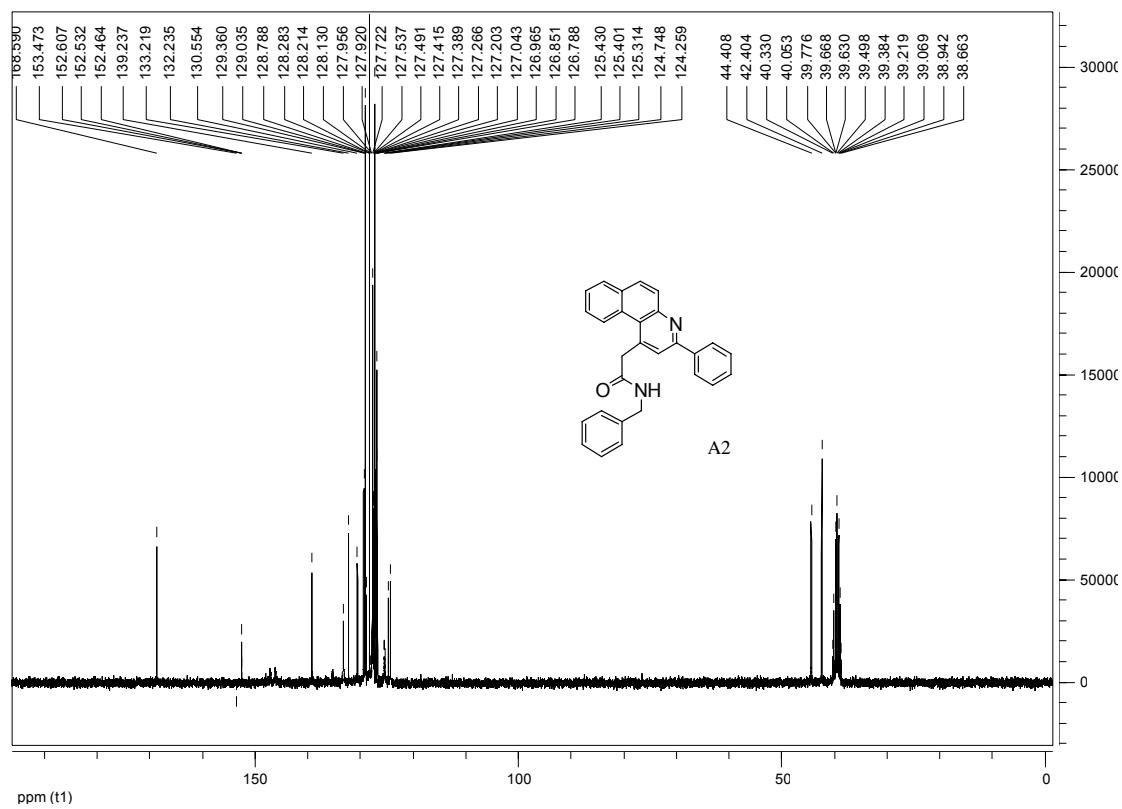
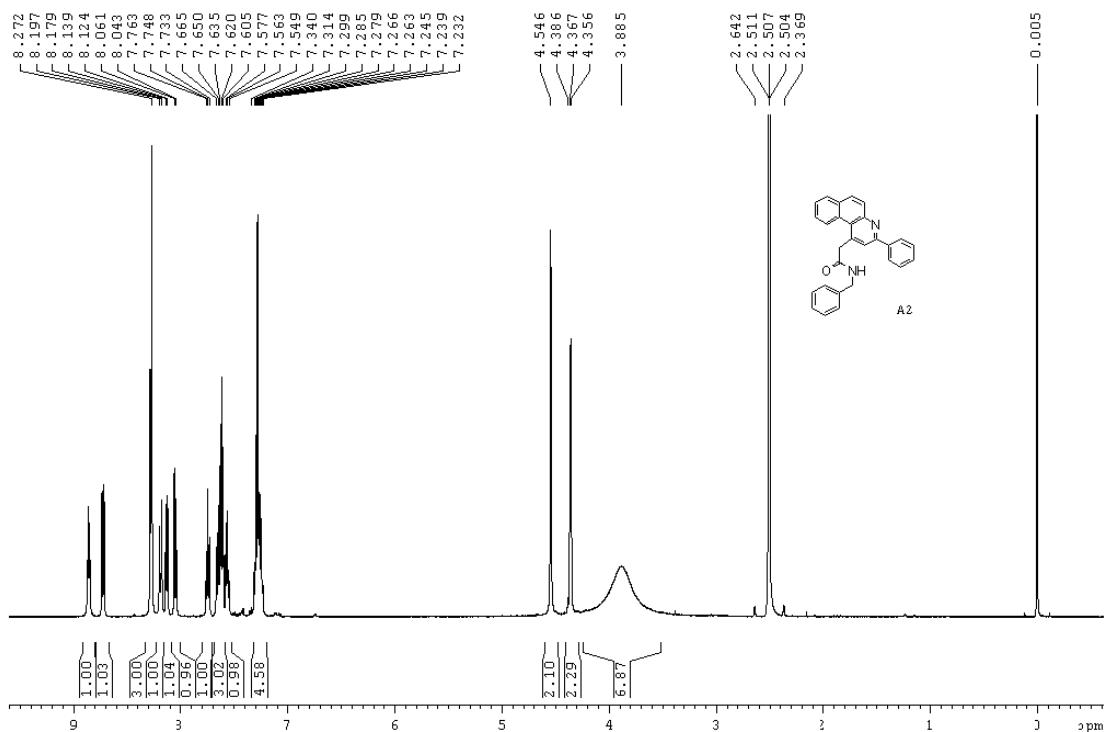
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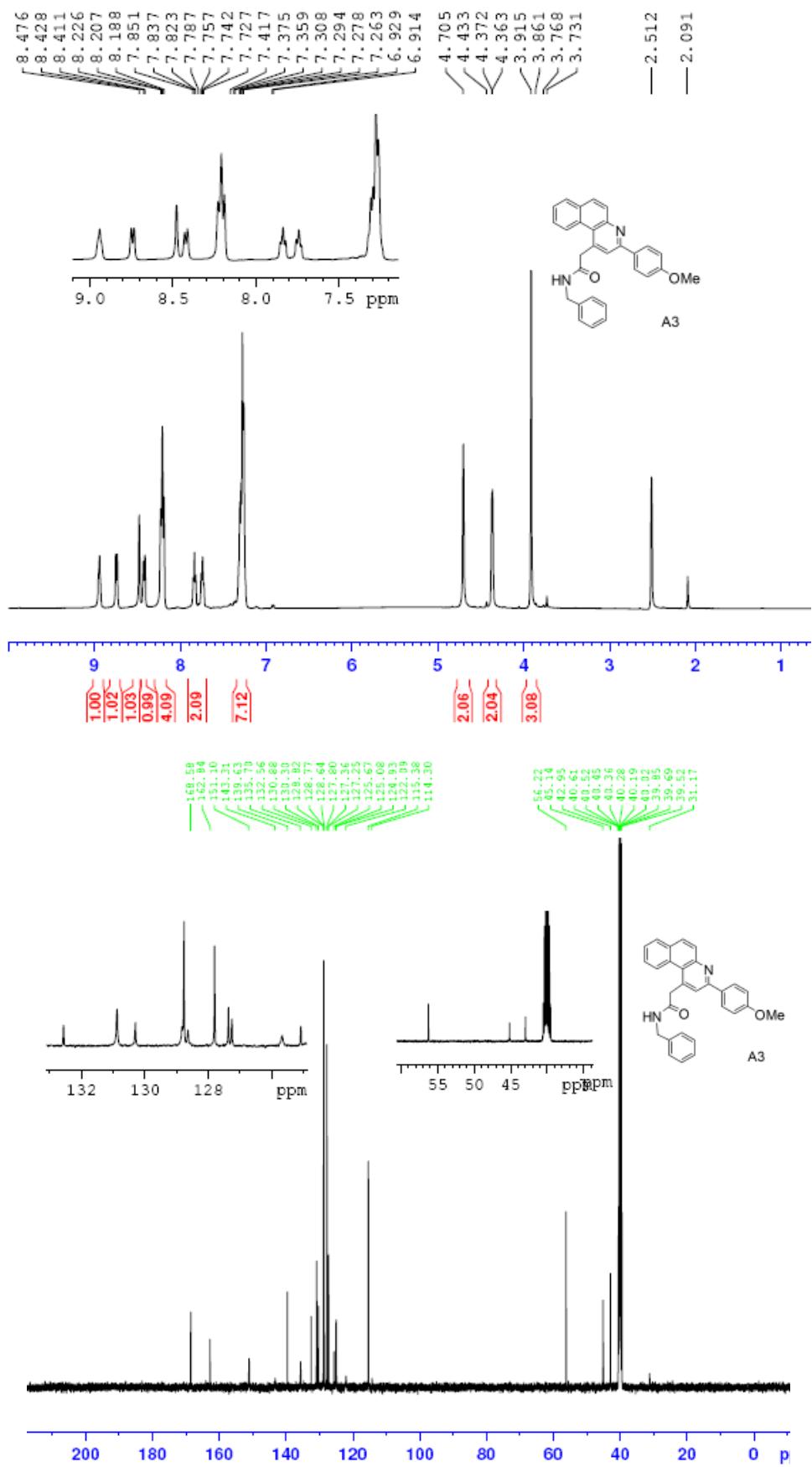


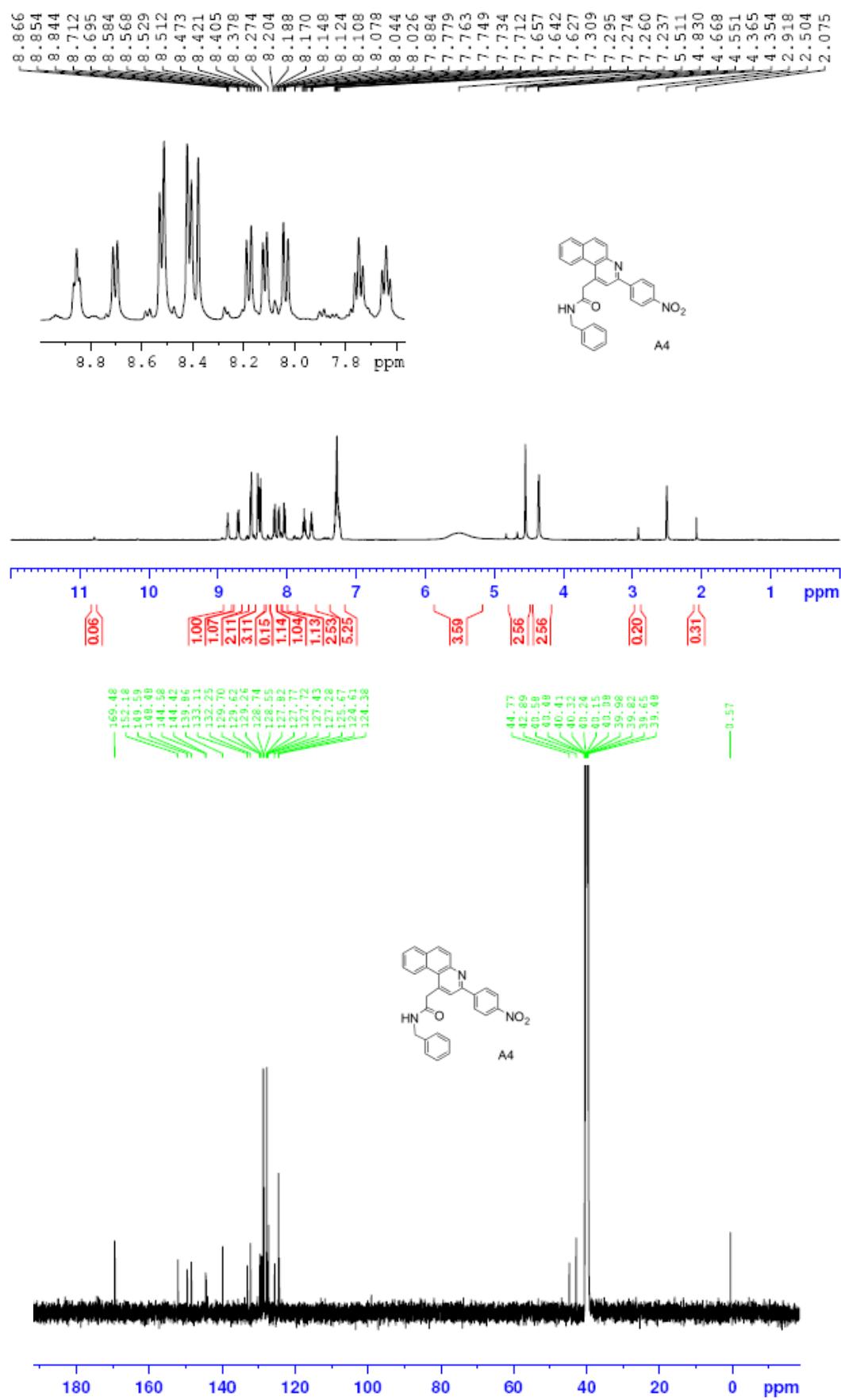
Grey powder (yield 45%), 98% pure based on the analysis of HPLC. Mp 249-251°C; ^1H NMR (500MHz, DMSO-*d*6) δ 3.88 (s, CH₃, 3H), 4.16 (s, CH₂, 2H), 4.33-4.34 (d, CH₂, *J*=5.50 Hz, 2H), 7.15-7.17 (d, aromatic, *J*=9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.24-7.30 (m, aromatic, 5H), 7.76-7.79 (m, aromatic, 2H), 7.91-7.93 (d, aromatic, *J*=9.0 Hz, 1H), 8.03-8.08 (m, aromatic, 2H), 8.17 (s, CH, 1H), 8.34-8.36 (d, aromatic, *J*=9.0 Hz, 2H), 8.80 (s, NH, 1H), 9.38-9.39 (d, aromatic, *J*=8.0 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (125MHz, DMSO-*d*6) δ 42.86, 55.79, 114.81, 120.50, 122.30, 124.32, 124.81, 127.04, 128.29, 128.67, 128.74, 128.89, 131.68, 131.72, 133.69, 139.84, 143.85, 145.79, 154.35, 161.06, 169.50; MS (ESI $^+$) *m/z* 433(M + H); Anal. Calcd for C₂₉H₂₄N₂O₂: C, 80.53; H, 5.59; N, 6.48. Found: C, 80.51; H, 5.56; N, 6.52.

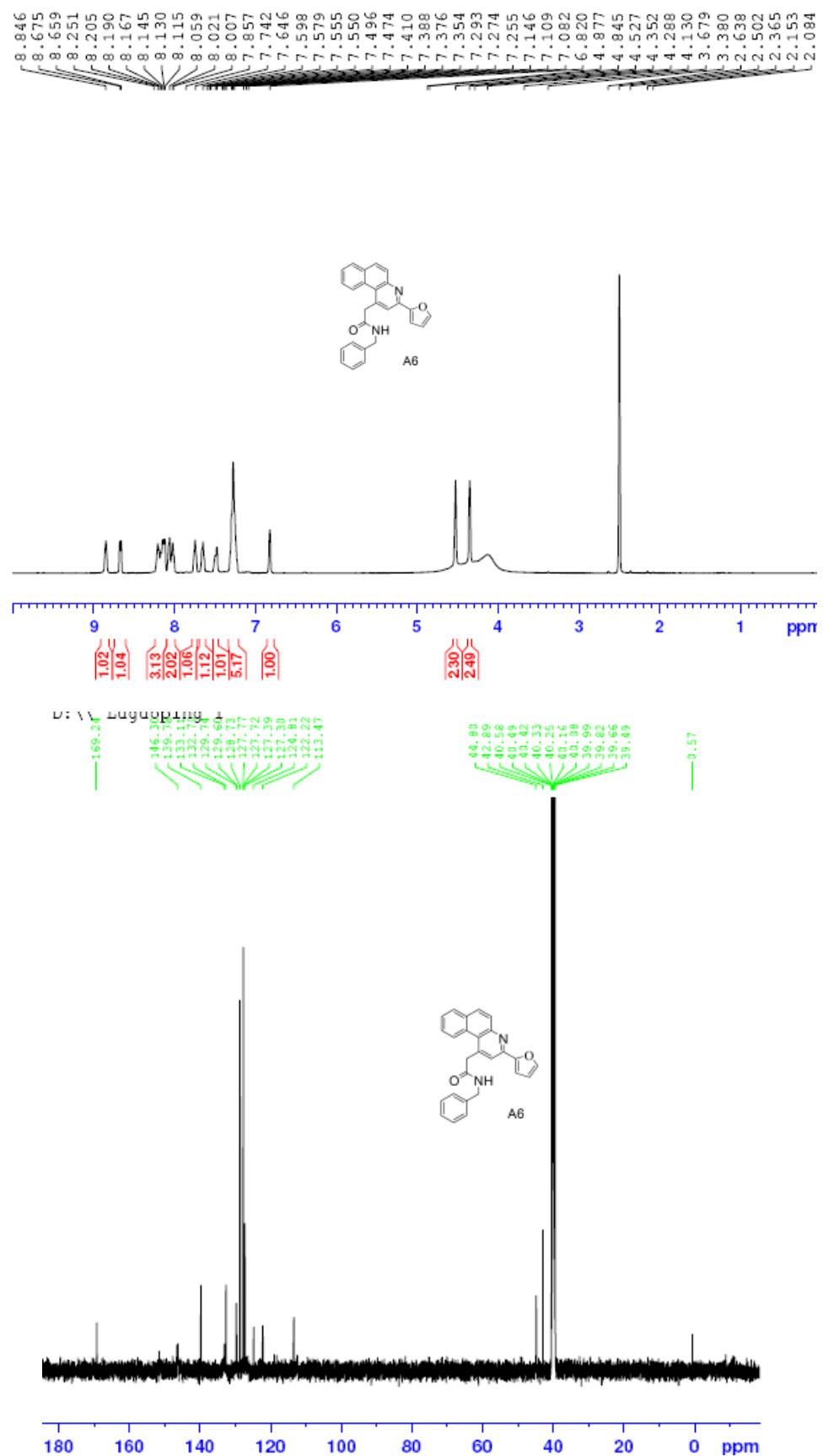
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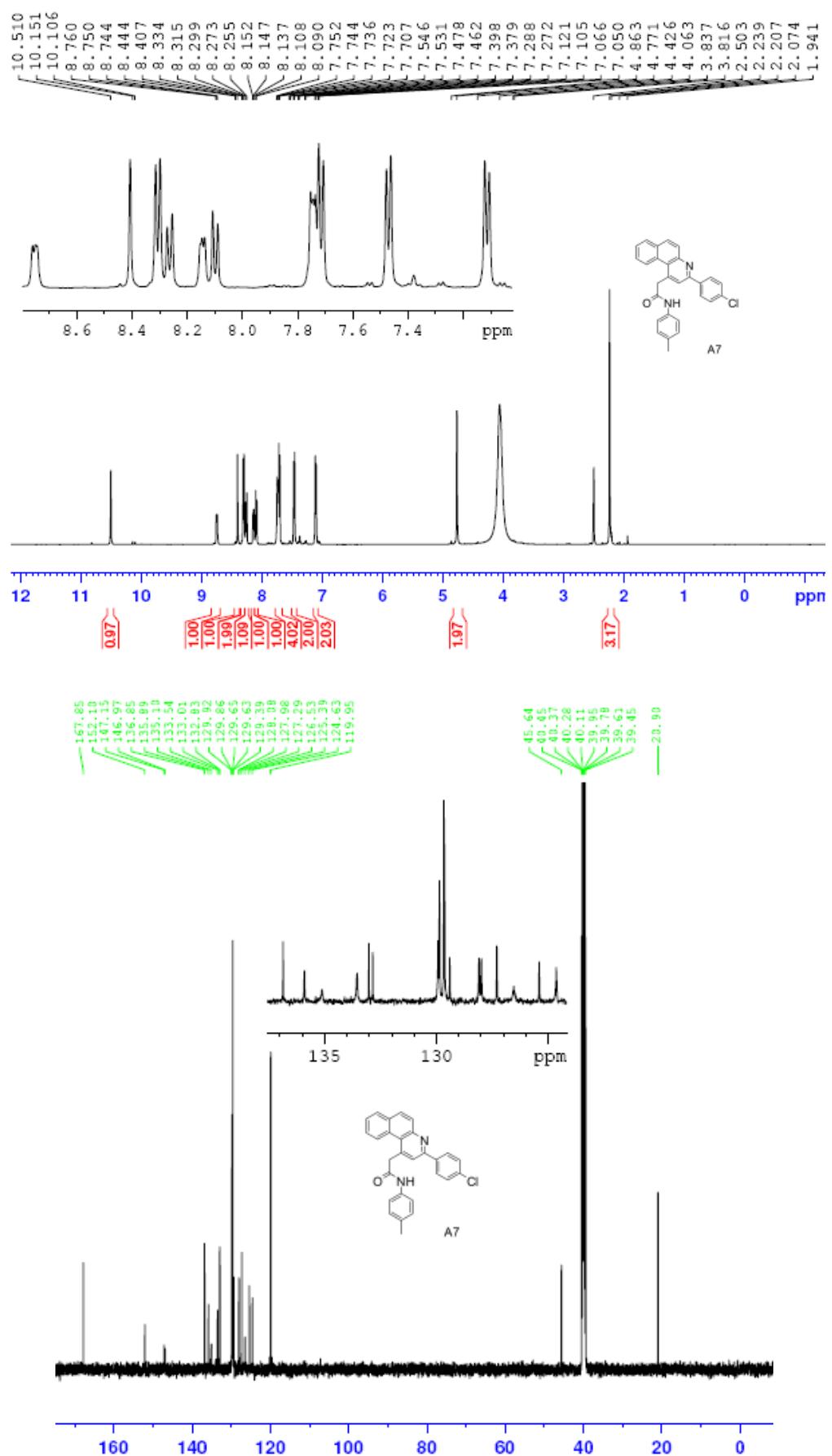


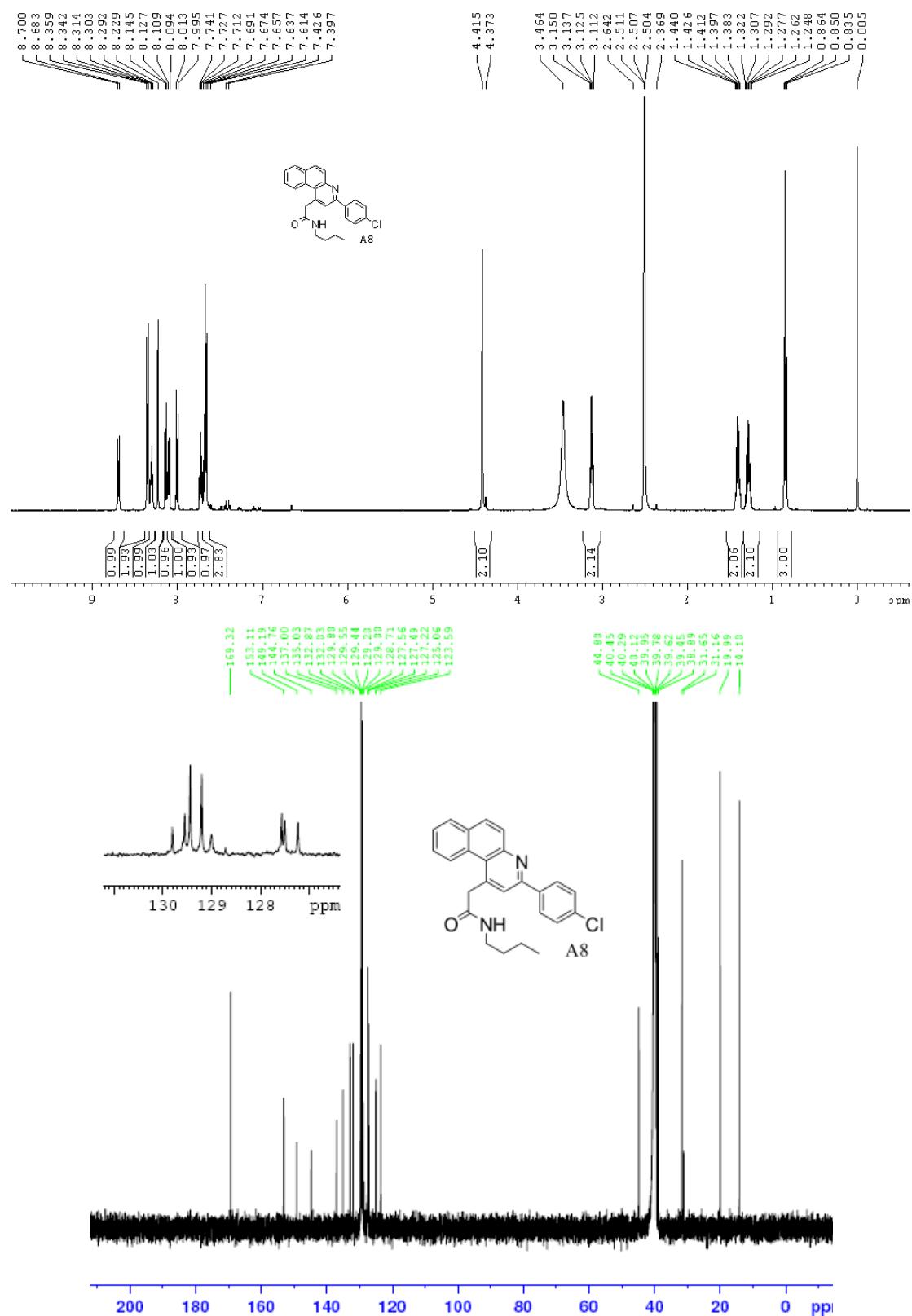


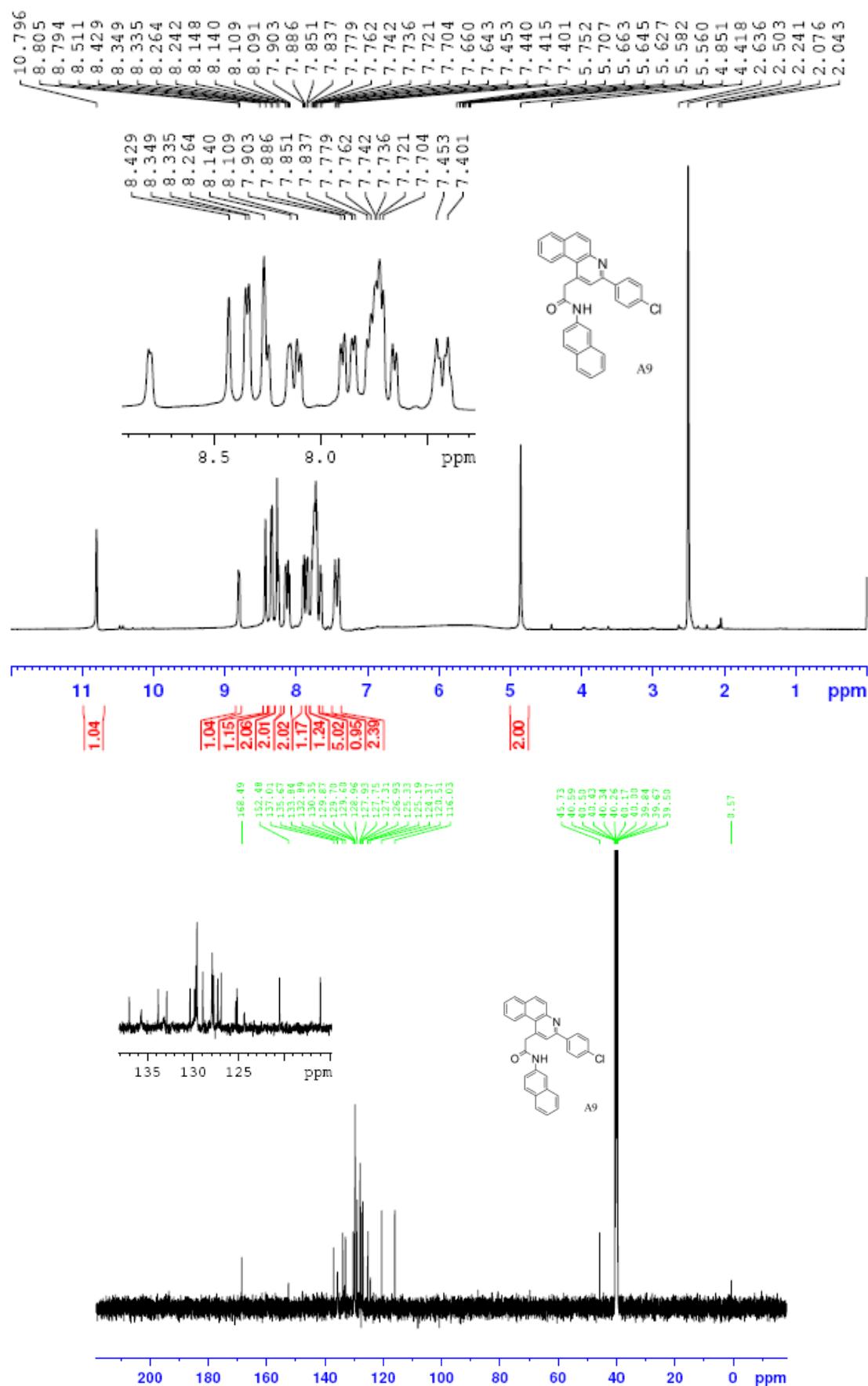


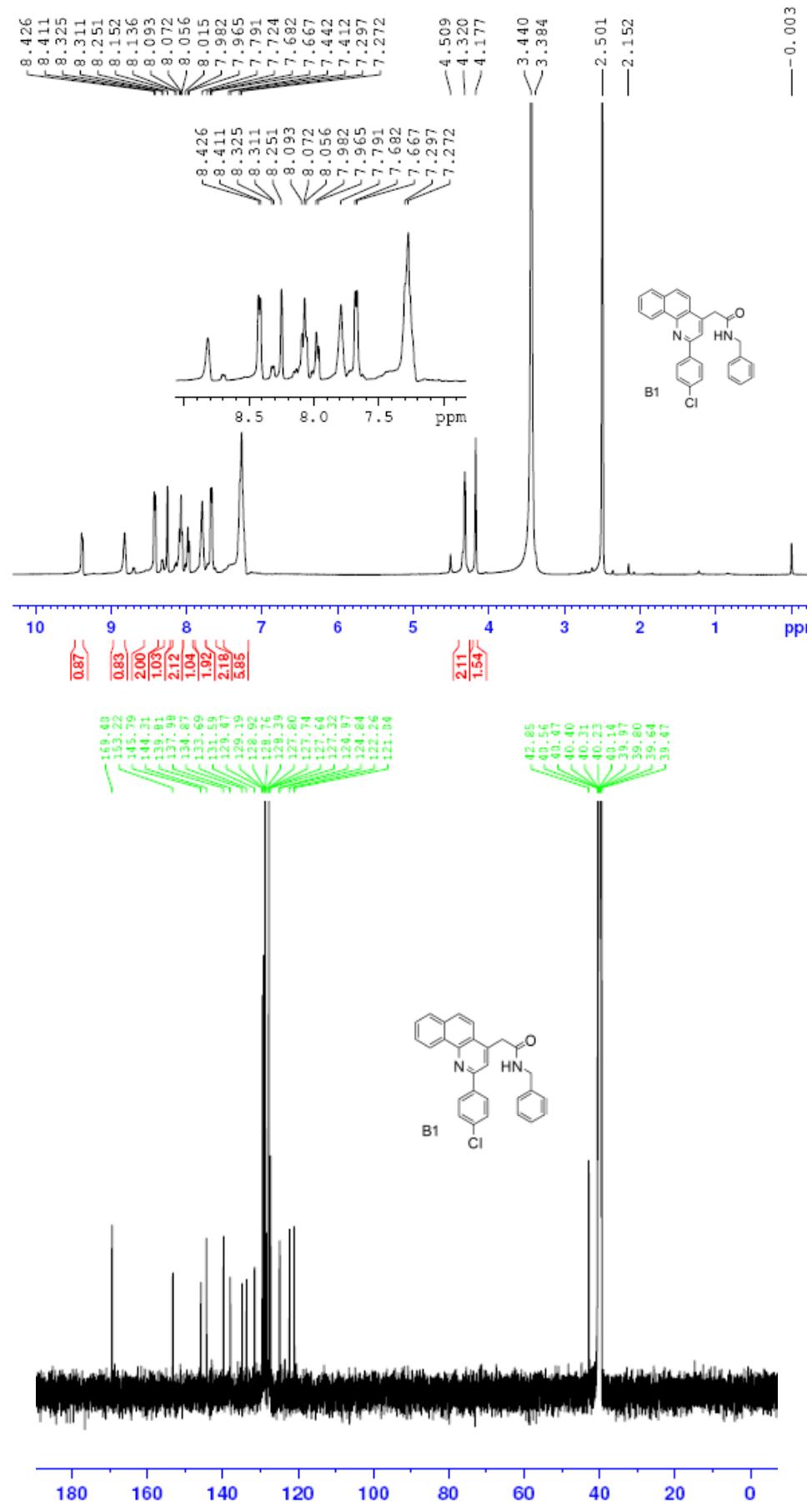


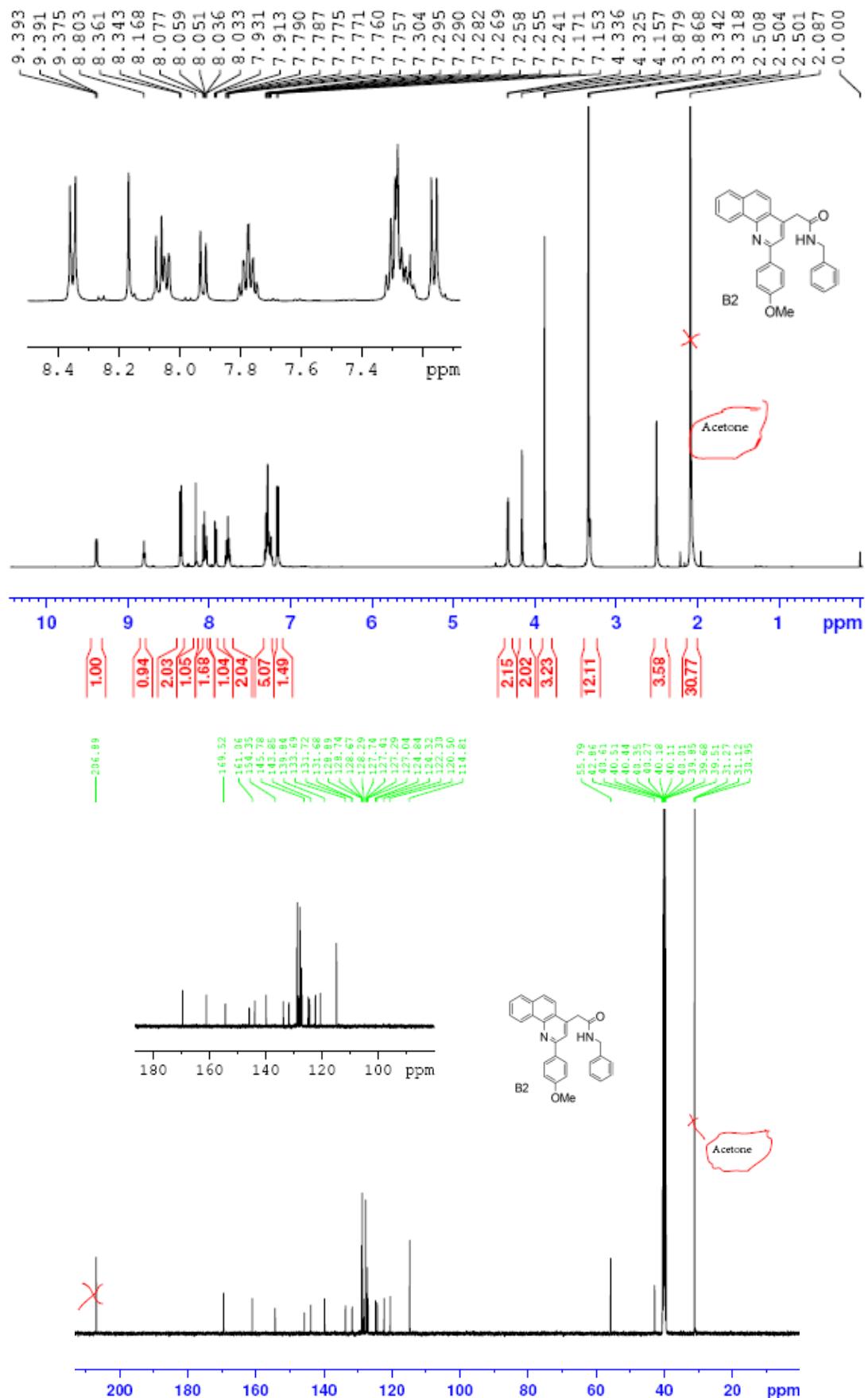












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