

Supporting Information

Zinc and indium-mediated Barbier-type allylation of aldehydes with
3-bromomethyl-5*H*-furan-2-one: an efficient synthesis of α -methylene- γ -butyrolactone

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1-General details

Unless otherwise noted, all commercial materials were used as received. Et₂O, THF were distilled over sodium under nitrogen, CH₂Cl₂ was distilled over sodium hydride under nitrogen. IR spectra were recorded as thin films or KBr discs, using a MAGNA-560 FTIR spectrophotometer. NMR spectra were recorded on Bruker spectrometer at 400 or 300 (¹H NMR), 100 or 75 (¹³C NMR) MHz with CDCl₃ as solvent. Data are expressed as chemical shifts in parts per million (ppm) relative to residual chloroform (¹H δ 7.27), CDCl₃ (¹³C δ 77.0) as the internal standard on the δ scale. The multiplicity of each signal is designated by the following abbreviations; s, singlet; d, doublet; t, triplet; br, broad. Allylation diastereoselectivity was determined by ¹H-NMR integrations of the methylene signals. Melting points were measured on X4 apparatus and uncorrected. High-resolution mass Spectra were conducted using an Ionspec 7.0T spectrometer by ESI-FTICR technique.

2-Procedure A: Allylation using indium

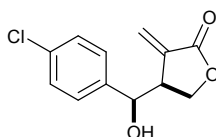
to a reaction vessel were added sequentially aldehyde (1 mmol), 3-bromomethyl-5*H*-furan-2-one (1.5 mmol), water (1.0 ml) and indium powder (2 mmol). the mixture was stirred vigorously at rt. After 12h the reaction mixture was filtered by diatomite, extracted with diethyl ether (20 ml × 3), washed with brine (20 mL), and dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. Evaporation under reduced pressure gave a residue which was chromatographed.

3-Procedure B: Allylation using zinc

to a reaction vessel were added sequentially aldehyde (1 mmol), 3-bromomethyl-5*H*-furan-2-one (1.5 mmol), THF (1 ml), saturated aqueous NH₄Cl (0.5 ml) and activated zinc powder (1.7 mmol). The mixture was stirred for 15 minutes at rt and filtered by diatomite. Extracted with diethyl ether (20 ml × 3), washed with brine (20 ml) and dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. Evaporation under reduced pressure gave a residue which was chromatographed.

4-Characterization data for lactones 2a-2i

4-(4-Chlorophenyl)(hydroxy)methyl-3-methylenedihydrofuran-2(3*H*)-one (2a)



Following procedure A, using 4-chlorobenzaldehyde (135mg, 0.96 mmol), afforded the above alcohol 2a (214mg, 93%) via column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.36 (d, *J*=1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.35 (t, *J*=2.3Hz, 1H), 7.29 (d, *J*=2.0Hz, 1H), 7.27 (d, *J*=4.2Hz, 1H), 6.32 (d, *J*=2.3Hz, 1H), 5.69 (d, *J*=1.8Hz, 1H), 4.73 (d, *J*=7.1Hz, 1H), 4.21 (dd, *J*=8.2, 9.6Hz, 1H), 4.10 (dd, *J*=4.1, 9.6Hz, 1H), 3.33-3.39 (m, 1H), 2.81 (br s, 1H).

Discernable data for minor diastereoisomer: 6.20 (d, *J*=2.4Hz, 1H), 5.08 (d, *J*=2.1Hz, 1H), 4.54 (dd, *J*=9.6, 3.9Hz, 1H), 4.35 (dd, *J*=9.6, 7.9Hz, 1H).

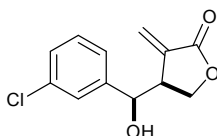
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.8, 139.1, 134.5, 134.3, 128.9, 127.9, 125.6, 74.8, 67.6, 45.4.

IR (neat), ν (cm⁻¹) 3457, 1759, 1660, 1272, 1132, 822.

HRMS (ESI): M+Na⁺ found 260.0291, C₁₂H₁₁ClO₃Na requires 261.0297.

Following procedure B, using 4-chlorobenzaldehyde (141mg, 1.00 mmol), afforded the above alcohol 2a (216mg, 90%) via column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1:1).

(2) Synthesis of 4-(3-Chlorophenyl) (hydroxy) methyl-3-methylenedihydrofuran-2(3*H*)-one (2b)



Following procedure A, using 3-chlorobenzaldehyde (139mg, 0.99mmol), afforded the above alcohol 2b (212mg, 90%) via column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.35(s, 1H), 7.29-7.31(m, 2H), 7.18-7.23(m, 1H), 6.31(d, *J*=2.2Hz, 1H), 5.67(d, *J*=1.8, 1H), 4.72(d, *J*=7.1Hz, 1H), 4.23(t, *J*=9.5Hz, 1H), 4.12(dd, *J*=9.6, 4.1Hz, 1H), 3.33-3.40(m, 1H), 2.91(s, 1H).

Discernable data for minor diastereoisomer: 6.22(d, *J*=2.2Hz, 1H), 5.12(d, *J*=2.1Hz, 1H), 4.54(dd, *J*=9.6, 3.9Hz, 1H), 4.34(t, *J*=8.1Hz, 1H).

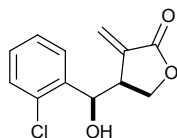
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.9, 142.8, 134.8, 134.4, 130.0, 128.6, 125.8, 124.8, 67.7, 45.4.

IR (neat), ν (cm⁻¹) 3455, 1758, 1659, 1274, 1138, 807.

HRMS (ESI): M+Na⁺ found 261.0289, C₁₂H₁₁ClO₃Na requires 261.0297.

The reaction of 1b(140mg, 1.00mmol), 3-bromomethyl-5*H*-furan-2-one (262mg, 1.49mmol), activated zinc powder (106mg, 166mmol), THF (1 ml), and saturated aqueous NH₄Cl (0.5 ml) at rt for 15 min afforded 2b (219mg, 92%).

4-(2-Chlorophenyl)(hydroxy)methyl-3-methylenedihydrofuran-2(3H)-one (2c)



Following procedure A, using 2-chlorobenzaldehyde (138mg, 0.99mmol), afforded the above alcohol 2c (226mg, 96%) via column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1:1).

mp: 94-108 °C

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.50(dd, *J*=7.5, 1.9Hz, 1H), 7.40(dd, *J*=7.5, 1.7Hz, 1H), 7.27-7.34(m, 2H), 6.27(d, *J*=2.2Hz, 1H), 5.28(d, *J*=3.6Hz, 1H), 5.27(s, 1H), 4.37(t, *J*=9.3Hz, 1H), 4.32(dd, *J*=9.4, 3.9Hz, 1H), 3.46-3.52(m, 1H), 2.67(br s, 1H).

Discernable data for minor diastereoisomer: 7.62(dd, *J*=7.7, 1.7Hz, 1H), 7.14-7.19(m, 3H), 6.31(d, *J*=2.5Hz, 1H), 5.59(s, 1H), 5.46(d, *J*=4.0Hz, 1H), 4.55(dd, *J*=9.5, 4.1Hz, 1H), 4.21(t, *J*=8.3Hz, 1H).

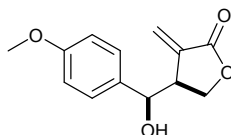
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.1, 138.0, 133.8, 131.9, 129.6, 129.4, 128.5, 127.1, 125.6, 71.9, 68.6, 43.6.

IR (neat), ν (cm⁻¹) 3453, 1742, 1659, 1274, 1141, 768.

HRMS (ESI): M+Na⁺ found 260.0289, C₁₂H₁₁ClO₃Na requires 261.0297.

Following procedure B, using 2-chlorobenzaldehyde (135mg, 0.96mmol), afforded the above alcohol 2c (212mg, 92%) via column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1:1).

4-(4-Methoxyphenyl)(hydroxy)methyl-3-methylenedihydrofuran-2(3H)-one (2d)



Following procedure A, using 4-methoxybenzaldehyde (140mg, 1.03mmol), afforded the above alcohol 2d (215mg, 89%) via column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.26(d, *J*=8.2Hz, 2H), 6.91(d, *J*=8.7Hz, 2H), 6.36(d, *J*=2.2Hz, 1H), 5.85(d, *J*=1.6Hz, 1H), 4.65(d, *J*=7.9Hz, 1H), 4.16(dd, *J*=8.4, 9.5Hz, 1H), 4.02(dd, *J*=4.5, 9.6Hz, 1H), 3.81(s, 3H), 3.36-3.42(m, 1H), 2.40(br s, 1H).

Discernable data for minor diastereoisomer: 7.84(d, *J*=8.8Hz, 2H), 7.02(d, *J*=8.7Hz, 2H), 6.17(d, *J*=2.4Hz, 1H),

4.97(d, J=2.0Hz, 1H), 4.40(dd, J=9.4, 7.9Hz, 1H), 4.31(t, J=6.7Hz, 1H), 3.89(s, 3H).

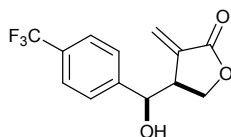
^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 170.8, 159.8, 135.2, 132.8, 127.8, 125.4, 114.2, 75.3, 67.5, 55.3, 45.5.

IR (neat), ν (cm $^{-1}$) 3454, 1759, 1658, 1465, 1250, 1120, 819.

HRMS (ESI): $\text{M}^+ \text{Na}^+$ found 257.0787, $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{14}\text{O}_4\text{Na}$ required 257.0792.

Following procedure B, using 4-methoxybenzaldehyde (134mg, 0.98mmol), afforded the above alcohol 2d (215mg, 93%) via column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1:1).

4-(4-Trifluoromethylphenyl)(hydroxy)methyl-3-methylenedihydrofuran-2(3H)-one (2e)



Following procedure A, using 4-trifluoromethylbenzaldehyde (170mg, 0.98mmol), afforded the above alcohol 2e (242mg, 91%) via column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1:1).

mp: 76 - 90 °C.

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.69(d, J=8.1Hz, 2H), 7.52(d, J=8.1Hz, 2H), 6.39(d, J=2.1Hz, 1H), 5.69(d, J=1.7Hz, 1H), 4.87(d, J=7.0Hz, 1H), 4.28(t, J=9.6Hz, 1H), 4.18(dd, J=9.6, 3.9Hz, 1H), 3.41-3.46(m, 1H), 2.62(br s, 1H).

Discernable data for minor diastereoisomer: 8.14(d, J=7.9Hz, 2H), 7.80(d, J=8.1Hz, 2H), 6.29(d, J=2.4Hz, 1H), 5.98(s, 1H), 5.17(d, J=2.0Hz, 1H).

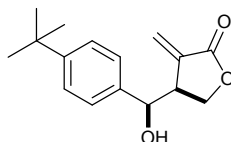
^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 170.1, 144.5, 134.4, 127.0, 125.8, 125.77, 125.73, 75.0, 67.5, 45.5.

IR (neat), ν (cm $^{-1}$) 3466, 1735, 1662, 1276, 1124, 828.

HRMS (ESI): $\text{M}^+ \text{Na}^+$ found 295.0546, $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{11}\text{O}_3\text{F}_3\text{Na}$ required 295.1560.

Following procedure B, using 4-trifluoromethylbenzaldehyde (176mg, 1.01mmol), afforded the above alcohol 2e (251mg, 91%) via column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1:1).

4-(4-Tert-butylphenyl)(hydroxy)methyl-3-methylenedihydrofuran-2(3H)-one (2f)



Following procedure A, using 4-tert-butylbenzaldehyde (161mg, 0.99mmol), afforded the above alcohol 2f (233mg, 90%) via column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1:1).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.43(d, J=8.3Hz, 2H), 7.29(d, J=8.8Hz, 2H), 6.39(d, J=2.0Hz, 1H), 5.89(d, J=1.4Hz, 1H), 4.68(d, J=8.1Hz, 1H), 4.18(t, J=9.5Hz, 1H), 4.04(dd, J=9.6, 4.5Hz, 1H), 3.41-3.46(m, 1H), 2.17(br s, 1H), 1.33(s, 3H).

Discernable data for minor diastereoisomer: 7.73-7.71(m, 2H), 7.55(dd, J=6.1, 2.9Hz, 2H), 6.22(d, J=2.4Hz, 1H), 5.84(d, J=1.8Hz, 1H), 5.04(d, J=2.0Hz, 1H), 4.42(dd, J=9.4, 8.1Hz, 1H), 4.33(t, J=6.8Hz, 1H).

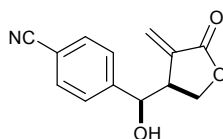
^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 169.7, 150.9, 136.6, 134.2, 125.3, 124.8, 124.4, 74.5, 66.5, 44.4, 33.6, 30.3.

IR (neat), ν (cm $^{-1}$) 3305, 1764, 1656, 1286, 1124, 837.

HRMS (ESI): $\text{M}^+ \text{Na}^+$ found 283.1309, $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}_3\text{Na}$ required 283.1310.

Following procedure B, using 4-tert-butylbenzaldehyde (176mg, 1.09mmol), afforded the above alcohol 2f (234mg, 88%) via column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1:1).

4-(4-cyanophenyl) (hydroxy) methyl)-3-methylenedihydrofuran-2(3H)-one (2g)



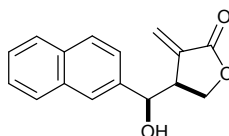
Following procedure A, using 4-cyanobenzaldehyde (134mg, 1.02mmol), afforded the above alcohol 2g (204mg, 87%) via column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.71(d, J =8.0Hz, 2H), 7.51(d, J =8.1Hz, 2H), 6.37(s, 1H), 5.61(s, 1H), 4.88(d, J =6.6Hz, 1H), 4.29(t, J =9.4Hz, 1H), 4.19(dd, J =3.6, 9.6Hz, 1H), 3.4(s, 1H), 2.48(br s, 1H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.0, 145.5, 134.0, 132.5, 127.6, 127.2, 125.7, 118.2, 112.4, 74.8, 67.2, 45.3.

Following procedure B, using 4-cyanobenzaldehyde (129mg, 0.98mmol), afforded the above alcohol 2f (221mg, 98%) via column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1:1).

4-(Hydroxy(naphthalen-3-yl)methyl)-3-methylenedihydrofuran-2(3H)-one (2h)



Following procedure A, using β -naphthaldehyde (160mg, 1.03mmol), afforded the above alcohol 2h (232mg, 89%) via column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.81-7.86(m, 3H), 7.75(s, 1H), 7.50-7.52(m, 2H), 7.44(d, J =8.4Hz, 1H), 6.34(s, 1H), 5.75(s, 1H), 4.82(d, J =7.5Hz, 1H), 4.15(t, J =9.1Hz, 1H), 4.08(dd, J =9.3, 4.1Hz, 1H), 3.47(s, 1H), 2.66(br s, 1H).

Discernable data for minor diastereoisomer: 7.20(d, J =8.9Hz, 1H), 6.17(d, J =2.4Hz, 1H), 4.97(d, J =2.1Hz, 1H), 4.64(dd, J =9.7, 4.1Hz, 1H), 4.39(dd, J =9.4, 7.8Hz, 1H).

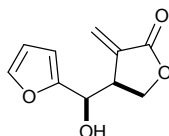
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 169.8, 137.0, 133.9, 132.3, 132.0, 127.9, 127.0, 126.7, 125.6, 125.5, 124.9, 124.5, 122.9, 74.7, 66.7, 44.3.

IR (neat), ν (cm⁻¹) 3443, 1759, 1658, 1273, 1123.

HRMS (ESI): $M+Na^+$ found 277.0828, C₁₆H₁₄O₃Na required 277.0841.

Following procedure B, using β -naphthaldehyde (153mg, 0.98mmol), afforded the above alcohol 2h (212mg, 85%) via column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1:1).

4-(Hydroxy(furan-3-yl)methyl)-3-methylenedihydrofuran-2(3H)-one (2i)



Following procedure A, using 2-furaldehyde (101mg, 1.05mmol), afforded the above alcohol 2i (149mg, 73%) via column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.43(d, J =1.0Hz, 1H), 6.40(d, J =3.7Hz, 2H), 6.36(d, J =3.3Hz, 1H), 5.78(d, J =2.0Hz, 1H), 4.80(d, J =7.4Hz, 1H), 4.39(t, J =9.5Hz, 1H), 4.21(dd, J =9.6, 4.3Hz, 1H), 3.59-3.65(m, 1H), 2.67(br s, 1H).

Discernable data for minor diastereoisomer: 7.45(s, 1H), 6.28(d, J =2.5Hz, 1H), 5.24(d, J =2.2Hz, 1H), 4.77(d, J =7.6Hz, 1H), 4.58(dd, J =9.6, 4.3Hz, 1H), 4.49(t, J =8.1Hz, 1H).

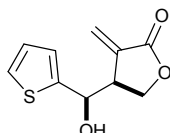
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 169.6, 152.2, 141.8, 133.2, 124.7, 109.5, 107.2, 68.2, 66.4, 42.3.

IR (neat), ν (cm⁻¹) 3418, 1755, 1660, 1274, 1123.

HRMS (ESI): M+Na⁺ found 217.0470, C₁₀H₁₀O₄Na required 217.0477.

Following procedure B, using 2-furaldehyde (98mg, 1.02mmol), afforded the above alcohol 2i (187mg, 94%) via column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1:1).

4-(Hydroxy(thiophene-3-yl)methyl)-3-methylenedihydrofuran-2(3H)-one (2j)



Following procedure A, using 2-thiophenyaldehyde (115mg, 1.03mmol), afforded the above alcohol 2j (184mg, 85%) via column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.32(dd, J=4.9, 1.1Hz, 1H), 6.98-7.02(m, 2H), 6.39(d, J=2.3Hz, 1H), 5.90(d, J=1.8Hz, 1H), 4.98(d, J=7.7Hz, 1H), 4.28(t, J=9.7Hz, 1H), 4.13(dd, J=9.7, 4.4Hz, 1H), 3.44-3.50(m, 1H), 2.75(br s, 1H).

Discernable data for minor diastereoisomer: 7.25(d, J=5.1Hz, 1H), 6.91(dd, J=4.9, 3.6Hz, 1H), 6.81(d, J=2.7Hz, 1H), 6.26(d, J=2.5Hz, 1H), 5.20(d, J=2.1Hz, 1H), 4.56(dd, J=9.8, 4.2Hz, 1H), 4.45(t, J=8.1Hz, 1H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 169.5, 143.3, 133.6, 126.0, 124.9, 124.3, 70.6, 66.4, 44.9.

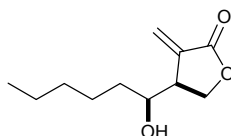
IR (neat), ν (cm⁻¹) 3443, 1759, 1659, 1276, 1125.

HRMS (ESI): M+Na⁺ found 233.0240, C₁₀H₁₀O₃SNa required 233.0248.

Following procedure B, using 2-thiophenyaldehyde (113mg, 1.01mmol), afforded the above alcohol 2j (197mg, 93%) via column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1:1).

5- Characterization data for lactones 4a-4h

4-(1-Hydroxyhexyl)-3-methylenedihydrofuran-2(3H)-one (4a)



Following procedure A, using n-hexaldehyde (103mg, 1.03mmol), afforded the above alcohol 4a (192mg, 94%) via column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.31(d, J=2.0Hz, 1H), 5.75(d, J=1.6Hz, 1H), 4.36(dd, J=9.3, 8.2Hz, 1H), 4.20(dd, J=9.4, 3.7Hz, 1H), 3.64(dd, J=11.6, 5.9Hz, 1H), 3.04-3.09(m, 1H), 1.83(br s, 1H), 1.18-1.46(m, 8H), 0.85(t, J=6.5Hz, 3H).

Discernable data for minor diastereoisomer: 6.01(d, J=1.0Hz, 1H), 5.47(d, J=0.8Hz, 1H), 3.14-3.33(m, 1H).

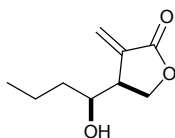
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.9, 135.2, 124.6, 73.2, 68.1, 44.5, 33.5, 31.6, 25.4, 22.6, 14.0.

IR (neat), ν (cm⁻¹) 3445, 1765, 1661, 1270, 1129.

HRMS (ESI): M+Na⁺ found 221.1146, C₁₀H₁₈O₃Na required 221.1154.

Following procedure B, using n-hexaldehyde (100mg, 1mmol), afforded the above alcohol 4a (193mg, 97%) via column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1:1).

4-(1-Hydroxybutyl)-3-methylenedihydrofuran-2(3H)-one (4b)



Following procedure A, using butyraldehyde (80mg, 1.11mmol), afforded the above alcohol 4b (176mg, 93%) via column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.37(d, J=2.1Hz, 1H), 5.82(d, J=1.8Hz, 1H), 4.42(t, J=9.2Hz, 1H), 4.30(dd, J=9.4, 3.7Hz, 1H), 3.68-3.72(m, 1H), 3.13-3.15(m, 1H), 2.08(br s, 1H), 1.34-1.60(m, 4H), 0.97(t, J=7.2Hz, 3H).

Discernable data for minor diastereoisomer: 6.17(d, J=2.2Hz, 1H), 5.61(d, J=2.0Hz, 1H), 4.61(t, J=9.1Hz, 1H).

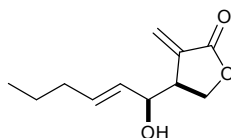
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.9, 135.1, 124.6, 72.9, 68.1, 44.6, 35.6, 18.9, 13.9.

IR (neat), ν (cm⁻¹) 3453, 1761, 1660, 1274, 1123.

HRMS (ESI): M+Na⁺ found 193.0830, C₉H₁₄O₃Na required 193.0841.

Following procedure B, using butyraldehyde (75mg, 1.04mmol), afforded the above alcohol 4b (170mg, 96%) via column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1:1).

(E)-4-(1-Hydroxyhex-2-en-1-yl)-3-methylenedihydrofuran-2(3H)-one (4c)



Following procedure A, using (E)-2-hexenal (97mg, 0.99mmol), afforded the above alcohol 4c (162mg, 83%) via column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.38(d, J=2.2Hz, 1H), 5.88(d, J=1.8Hz, 1H), 5.74-5.82(m, 1H), 5.48(dd, J=15.4, 7.3Hz, 1H), 4.37(t, J=9.4Hz, 1H), 4.26(dd, J=8.5, 4.1Hz, 1H), 4.20(t, J=7.0Hz, 1H), 3.21-3.25(m, 1H), 2.00-2.10(m, 2H), 1.99(br s, 1H), 1.37-1.47(m, 2H), 0.94(t, J=7.3Hz, 3H);

Discernable data for minor diastereoisomer: 6.17(d, J=2.3Hz, 1H), 5.93(d, J=1.8Hz, 1H).

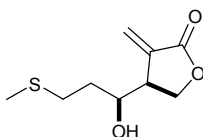
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IR (neat), ν (cm⁻¹) 3454, 1760, 1662, 1274, 1124.

HRMS (ESI): M+Na⁺ found 219.0990, C₁₁H₁₆O₃Na 219.0997.

Following procedure B, using (E)-2-hexenal (101mg, 1.03mmol), afforded the above alcohol 4c (192mg, 95%) via column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1:1).

4-(3-Methylthio-1-hydroxypropyl)-3-methylenedihydrofuran-2(3H)-one (4d)



Following procedure A, using 3-(Methylthio)propionaldehyde (104mg, 1mmol), afforded the above alcohol 4d (162mg, 80%) via column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.38(d, J=2.1Hz, 1H), 5.83(d, J=1.7Hz, 1H), 4.44(t, J=9.4Hz, 1H), 4.31(dd, J=9.4, 3.6Hz, 1H), 3.87-3.93(m, 1H), 3.17-3.22(m, 1H), 2.71(t, J=6.7Hz, 2H), 2.52(br s, 1H), 2.12(s, 3H), 1.68-1.83(m, 2H);

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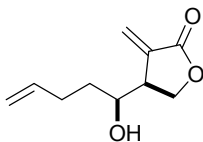
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IR (neat), ν (cm⁻¹) 3453, 1762, 1660, 1414, 1279, 1122.

HRMS (ESI): $M+Na^+$ found 225.0562, C₉H₁₄O₃Na required 225.0561.

Following procedure B, using 3-(Methylthio)propionaldehyde (107mg, 1.03mmol), afforded the above alcohol 4d (198mg, 95%) via column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1:1).

4-(1-Hydroxypent-4-en-1-yl)-3-methylenedihydrofuran-2(3H)-one (4e)



Following procedure A, using 4-pentenal (90mg, 1.07mmol), afforded the above alcohol 4e (177mg, 91%) via column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.37(d, $J=1.5$ Hz, 1H), 5.76-5.86(m, 2H), 5.09(d, $J=17.1$ Hz, 1H), 5.02(d, $J=10.1$ Hz, 1H), 4.41(t, $J=9.2$ Hz, 1H), 4.27(dd, $J=9.4$, 3.6Hz, 1H), 3.69-3.74(m, 1H), 3.14(s, 1H), 2.25-2.31(m, 2H), 2.12-2.21(m, 1H), 1.54-1.60(m, 2H).

Discernable data for minor diastereoisomer: 5.72(d, $J=1.9$ Hz, 1H), 3.83-3.88(m, 1H).

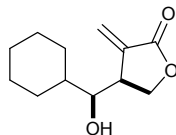
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IR (neat), ν (cm⁻¹) 3444, 1760, 1660, 1271, 1123.

HRMS (ESI): $M+Na^+$ found 182.0940, C₁₀H₁₄O₃Na required 182.0943.

Following procedure B, using 4-pentenal (86mg, 1.02mmol), afforded the above alcohol 4e (166mg, 89%) via column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1:1).

4-(Hydroxy(cyclohex-2-yl)methyl)-3-methylenedihydrofuran-2(3H)-one (4f)



Following procedure A, using cyclohexanal (114mg, 1.02mmol), afforded the above alcohol 4f (205mg, 96%) via column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.32(d, $J=2.1$ Hz, 1H), 5.77(d, $J=1.6$ Hz, 1H), 4.37(t, $J=8.8$ Hz, 1H), 4.14(dd, $J=9.1$, 4.2Hz, 1H), 3.35(t, $J=6.1$ Hz, 1H), 3.17-3.23(m, 1H), 1.63-1.76(m, 6H), 1.35-1.37(m, 1H), 1.02-1.18(m, 5H);

Discernable data for minor diastereoisomer: 6.10(d, $J=1.8$ Hz, 1H), 5.56(d, $J=1.2$ Hz, 1H), 4.54(t, $J=8.9$ Hz, 1H).

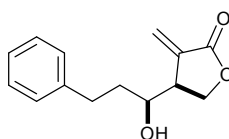
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.0, 134.2, 123.7, 75.7, 67.6, 40.0, 39.4, 29.0, 26.2, 25.2, 25.1, 24.9.

IR (neat), ν (cm⁻¹) 3490, 1741, 1659, 1265, 1134.

HRMS (ESI): $M+Na^+$ found 233.1146, C₁₂H₁₈O₃Na required 233.1154.

Following procedure B, using cyclohexanal (116mg, 1.04mmol), afforded the above alcohol 4f (201mg, 92%) via column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1:1).

4-(3-phenyl-1-hydroxypropyl)-3-methylenedihydrofuran-2(3H)-one (4g)



Following procedure A, using 3-phenylpropanal (142mg, 1.06mmol), afforded the above alcohol 4g (162mg, 80%)

via column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1:1).

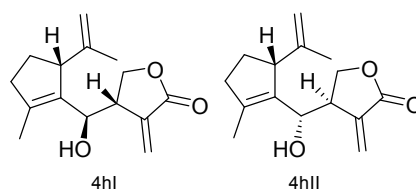
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.33(t, J =7.3Hz, 2H), 7.24(dd, J =7.2, 11.8Hz, 3H), 6.37(d, J =1.6Hz, 1H), 5.79(d, J =1.0Hz, 1H), 4.40(t, J =8.9Hz, 1H), 4.24(dd, J =3.4, 9.4Hz, 1H), 3.71(t, J =9.2Hz, 1H), 3.13(s, 1H), 2.93(m, 1H), 2.75(m, 1H), 2.05(br s, 1H), 1.84(m, 2H);

Discernable data for minor diastereoisomer: 5.70(d, J =1.7Hz, 1H), 4.40(t, J =8.9Hz, 1H), 4.24(dd, J =3.4, 9.4Hz, 1H), 3.71(t, J =9.2Hz, 1H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.7, 141.1, 135.0, 128.6, 128.4, 126.3, 124.8, 72.4, 68.0, 44.7, 35.2, 32.0.

Following procedure B, using 3-phenylpropanal (130mg, 0.97mmol), afforded the above alcohol 4g (189mg, 84%) via column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1:1)

4-(Hydroxy-(5-isopropenyl-2-methyl-1-en-cyclopentyl) methyl) -3-methylenedihydrofuran-2(3H)-one (4h)



Following procedure A, using 5-isopropenyl-2-methyl-1-en-cyclopentane-carboxaldehyde (153mg, 1.02mmol), afforded the above alcohol 4h (220mg, 87%) via column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1:1).

4hI (81mg, 32%) : $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -150.7$ ($c = 0.01$, EtOH).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.34(s, 1H), 5.93(s, 1H), 4.78(s, 1H), 4.72(s, 1H), 4.30(d, J =9.4Hz, 1H), 4.22(t, J =8.8Hz, 1H), 3.97(dd, J =9.4, 3.4Hz, 1H), 3.53(d, J =8.6Hz, 1H), 3.32(s, 1H), 2.44-2.52(m, 1H), 2.22-2.28(t, J =9.6Hz, 1H), 2.00-2.10(m, 1H), 1.93(s, 1H), 1.81(s, 3H), 1.66-1.72(m, 1H), 1.64(s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.8, 148.5, 141.0, 135.8, 134.7, 125.2, 111.5, 70.3, 67.8, 53.7, 43.4, 38.3, 29.0, 19.1, 14.7.

IR (neat) ν (cm⁻¹) 3481, 1766, 1659, 1275, 1119.

HRMS (ESI) $M+Na^+$ found 271.1313, C₁₅H₂₀O₃Na required 271.1305.

4hII (139, 55%) : $[\alpha]_D^{20} = +2.8$ ($c = 0.01$, EtOH).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.33(dd, J =2.4, 0.8Hz, 1H), 6.04(dd, J =2.2, 0.9Hz, 1H), 4.85(s, 1H), 4.78(t, J =1.5Hz, 1H), 4.48(dd, J =9.2, 5.9Hz, 1H), 4.26(dd, J =9.4, 8.5Hz, 1H), 3.86(dd, J =9.5, 5.0Hz, 1H), 3.27-3.33(m, 1H), 2.41-2.50(m, 1H), 2.23-2.29(m, 2H), 1.95-2.06(m, 1H), 1.76(s, 3H), 1.64-1.71(m, 1H).

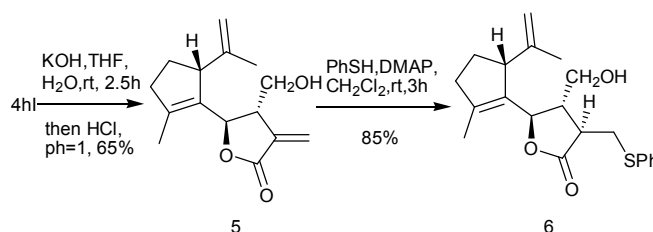
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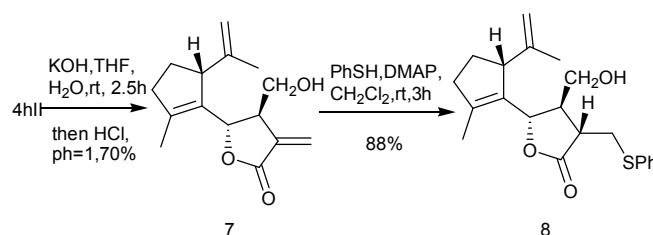
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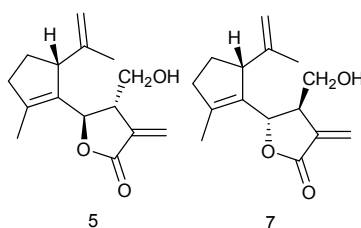
Following procedure B, using 5-isopropenyl-2-methyl-1-en-cyclopentane-carboxaldehyde (150mg, 1.0mmol), afforded the above alcohol 4h (221mg, 89%) via column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1:1).

6-Procedure for 4h into 8





Synthesis of 4-Hydroxymethyl-5-(5-isopropenyl-2-methyl-1-en-cyclopentyl)-3-methylenedihydrofuran-2(3H)-one (5,7)



A mixture of lactone 4hI (296mg, 1.19mmol), NaOH (220mg, 5.5mmol) were combined in 6 ml of a 1:1 mixture of THF and water for 2 h. The mixture was carefully acidified to pH 1 and extracted with CH₂Cl₂. The combined extracts were dried, concentrated and chromatographed to give 5(178mg, 60%): oil.

$[\alpha]_D^{20} = -150.0$ ($c = 0.01$, EtOH).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.29(d, $J=2.6$ Hz, 1H), 5.65(d, $J=1.8$ Hz, 1H), 5.16(d, $J=5.6$ Hz, 1H), 4.72(d, $J=1.8$ Hz, 1H), 4.63(t, $J=1.4$ Hz, 1H), 3.81(dd, $J=10.9$, 5.8Hz, 1H), 3.73(dd, $J=10.9$, 5.4Hz, 1H), 3.47(d, $J=9.4$ Hz, 1H), 3.08-3.12(m, 1H), 2.43-2.52(m, 1H), 2.22-2.26(m, 1H), 2.01-2.11(m, 2H), 1.79(s, 3H), 1.64-1.69(m, 1H), 1.63(s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.5, 148.0, 141.7, 136.7, 132.5, 122.5, 111.7, 77.7, 63.2, 53.2, 45.7, 38.3, 28.8, 18.9, 14.3.

IR (neat) ν (cm⁻¹) 3457, 1732, 1659, 1269, 1141.

HRMS (ESI) $M+Na^+$ found 271.1301, C₁₅H₂₀O₃Na required 271.1305.

Compound 7 was prepared according to the same procedure. The reaction of 4hII (251mg, 0.93mmol), NaOH (193mg, 4.8mmol) and 1:1 mixture of THF and water (6 ml) afforded 7 (190mg, 70%): oil.

$[\alpha]_D^{20} = -70.7$ ($c = 0.01$, EtOH).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.27(d, $J=2.5$ Hz, 1H), 5.69(d, $J=2.5$ Hz, 1H), 5.22(d, $J=5.0$ Hz, 1H), 4.61(s, 1H), 4.60(d, $J=1.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.80(dd, $J=10.8$, 6.2Hz, 1H), 3.74(dd, $J=10.8$, 5.6Hz, 1H), 3.46(d, $J=8.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.13-3.17(m, 1H), 2.43-2.51(m, 1H), 2.26-2.34(m, 1H), 1.99-2.06(m, 2H), 1.81(s, 3H), 1.65-1.72(m, 1H), 1.62(s, 3H).

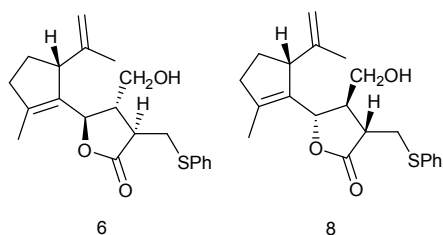
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IR (neat) ν (cm⁻¹) 3439, 1747, 1661, 1271, 1153.

HRMS (ESI) $M+Na^+$ found 271.1304, C₁₅H₂₀O₃Na required 271.1305.

Synthesis of

4-Hydroxymethyl-5-(5-isopropenyl-2-methyl-1-en-cyclopentyl)-3-phenthioethyl-dihydrofuran-2(3H)-one (6, 8)



To a solution of the 5 (160 mg, 0.59 mmol) and DMAP (11mg) in CH_2Cl_2 (4 mL) was added benzenethiol (190 μL , 1.9 mmol) at ice cold temperature. After stirring at room temperature for 3 h, the solution was concentrated directly, and the crude oil was chromatographed to give thioether 6 (180mg, 85%): white solid.

mp = 52-56 $^{\circ}\text{C}$; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} = -96.0$ ($c = 0.01$, EtOH).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.40(d, $J=7.3\text{Hz}$, 2H), 7.34(t, $J=7.4\text{Hz}$, 2H), 7.24(t, $J=7.1\text{Hz}$, 1H), 5.05(d, $J=9.9\text{Hz}$, 1H), 4.79(d, $J=1.6\text{Hz}$, 1H), 4.67(s, 1H), 3.85(dd, $J=11.3$, 3.5Hz, 1H), 3.56-3.65(m, 3H), 2.88-2.97(m, 2H), 2.45-2.58(m, 2H), 2.23-2.29(m, 1H), 2.02-2.12(m, 1H), 1.89(s, 1H), 1.78(s, 3H), 1.65-1.72(m, 1H), 1.63(s, 3H).

^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 176.8, 148.6, 142.6, 134.8, 130.9, 129.5, 139.3, 126.8, 111.8, 76.9, 60.1, 53.2, 48.0, 41.9, 38.4, 33.9, 28.6, 18.6, 14.4.

IR (neat) ν (cm^{-1}) 3388, 1748, 1670, 1277, 1191.

HRMS (ESI) $\text{M}+\text{Na}^+$ found 381.1499, $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{26}\text{O}_3\text{SNa}$ required 381.1495.

Compound 8 was prepared according to the same procedure. The reaction of 6 (219mg, 0.81mmol), DMAP (15mg), benzenethiol (248 μL , 2.4mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (6 ml) afforded 8 (271mg, 88%): white solid.

mp = 115-118 $^{\circ}\text{C}$; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} = -20.8$ ($c = 0.01$, EtOH).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.41(d, $J=7.8\text{Hz}$, 2H), 7.35(t, $J=7.6\text{Hz}$, 2H), 7.26(t, $J=7.0\text{Hz}$, 1H), 5.05(d, $J=9.5\text{Hz}$, 1H), 4.73(s, 1H), 4.68(s, 1H), 3.81(d, $J=11.2\text{Hz}$, 1H), 3.69(dd, $J=11.3$, 4.0Hz, 2H), 3.52(s, 1H), 2.84-2.96(m, 2H), 2.66(s, 1H), 2.45-2.49(m, 1H), 2.30-2.34(m, 1H), 2.04(s, 1H), 1.89(s, 1H), 1.79(s, 1H), 1.69-1.73(m, 1H), 1.65(s, 3H).

^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 176.4, 148.8, 145.8, 134.5, 130.4, 129.6, 129.3, 126.9, 111.1, 76.0, 60.9, 54.1, 46.9, 42.0, 38.2, 34.1, 28.0, 18.0, 14.3.

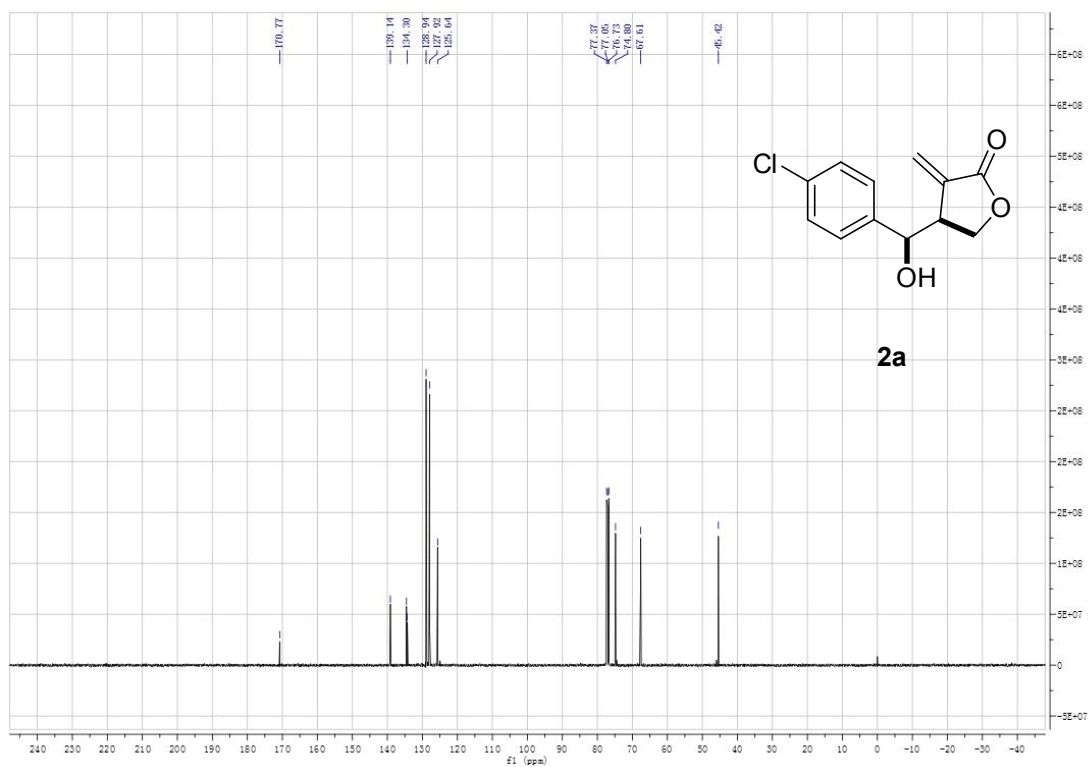
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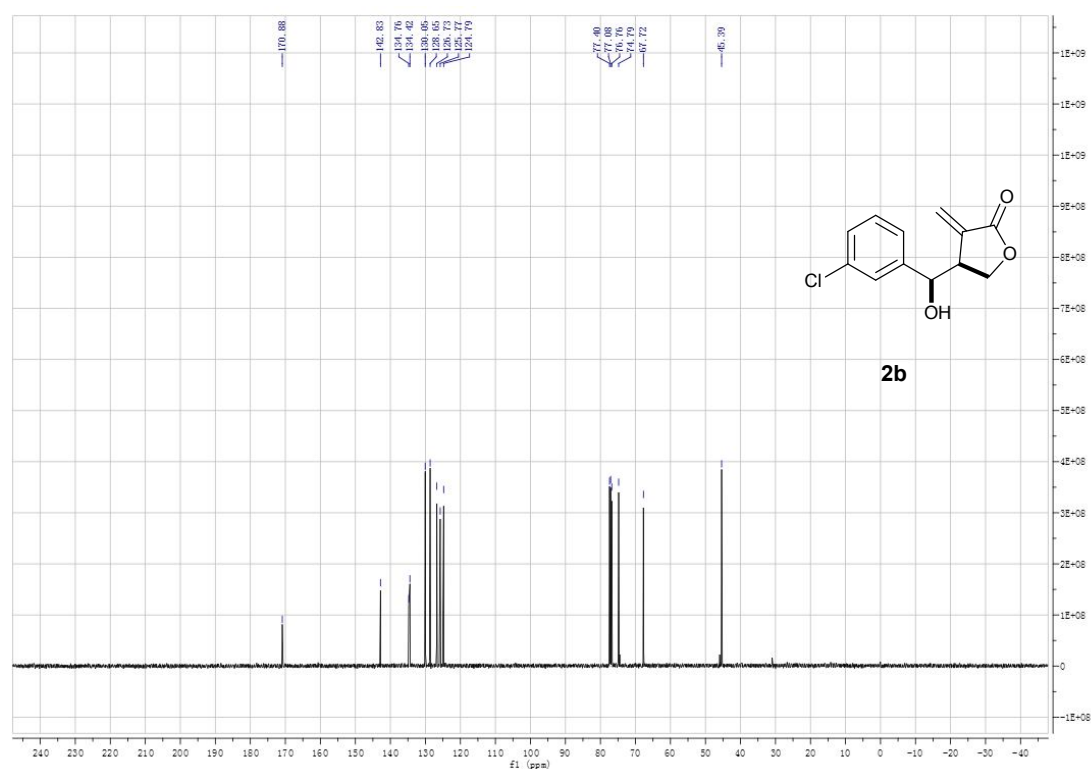
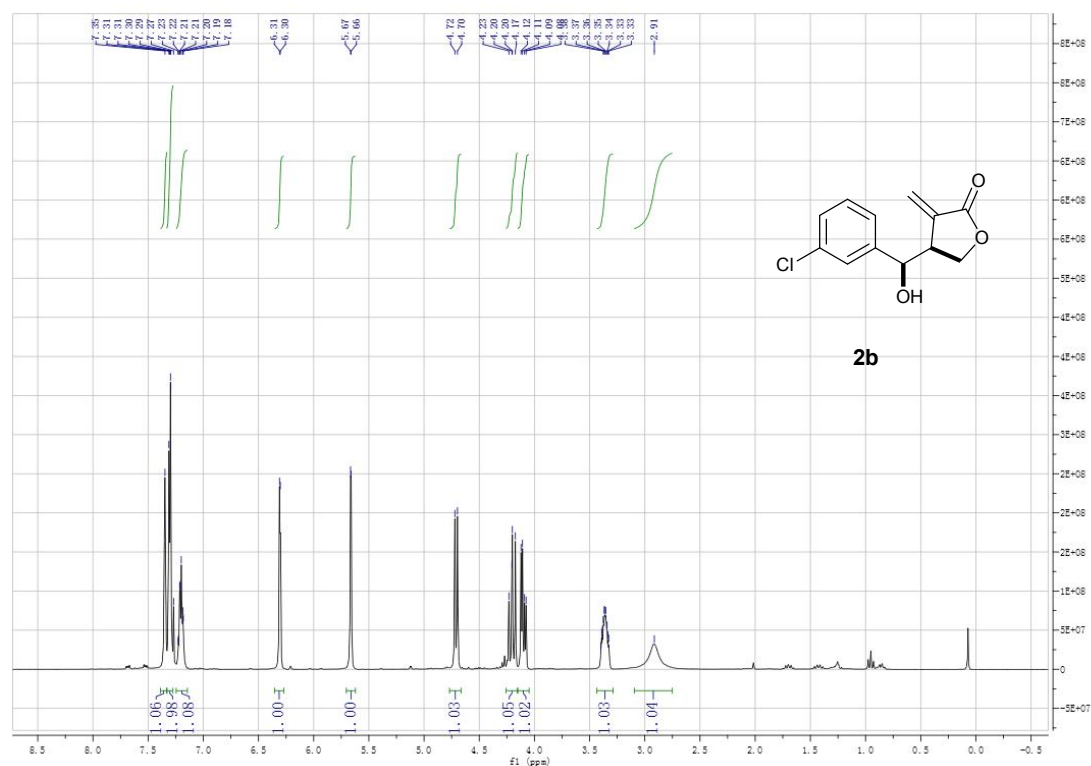
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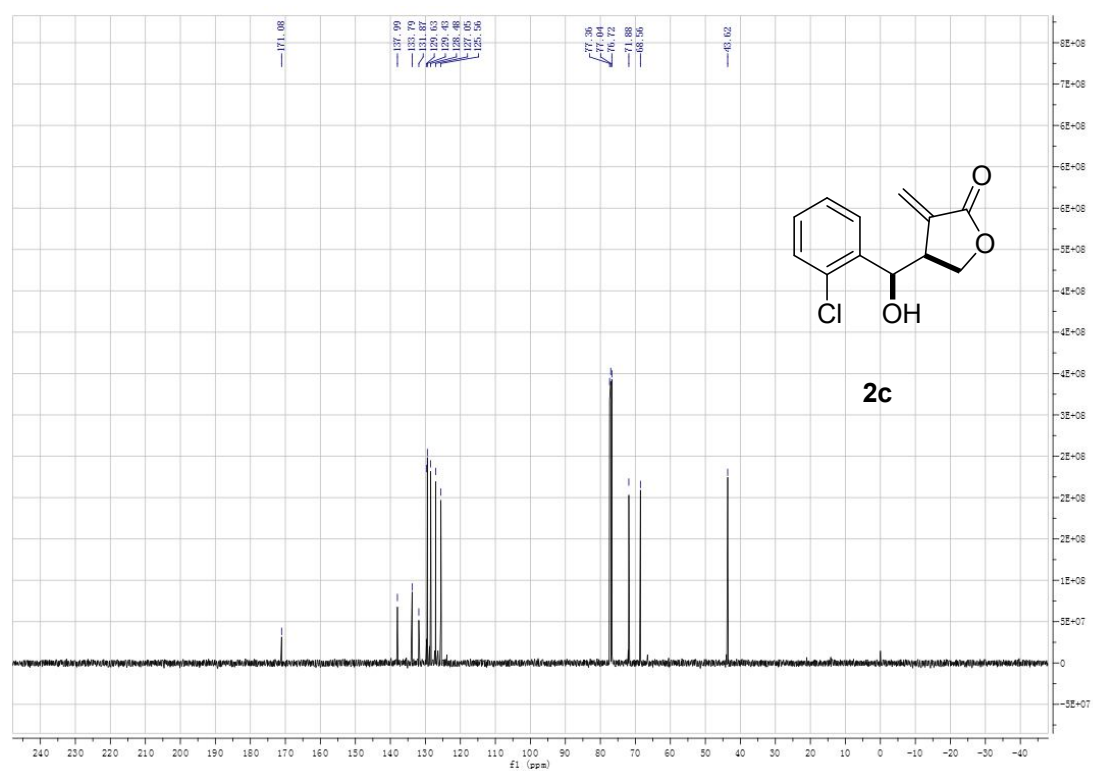
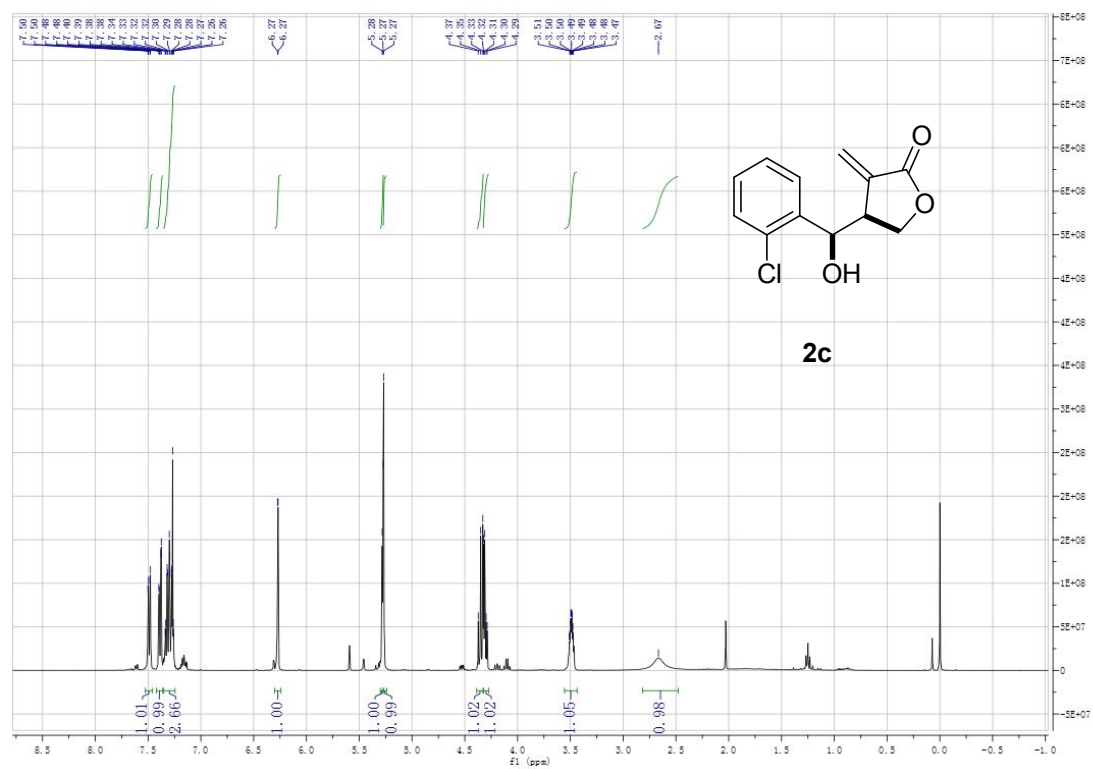
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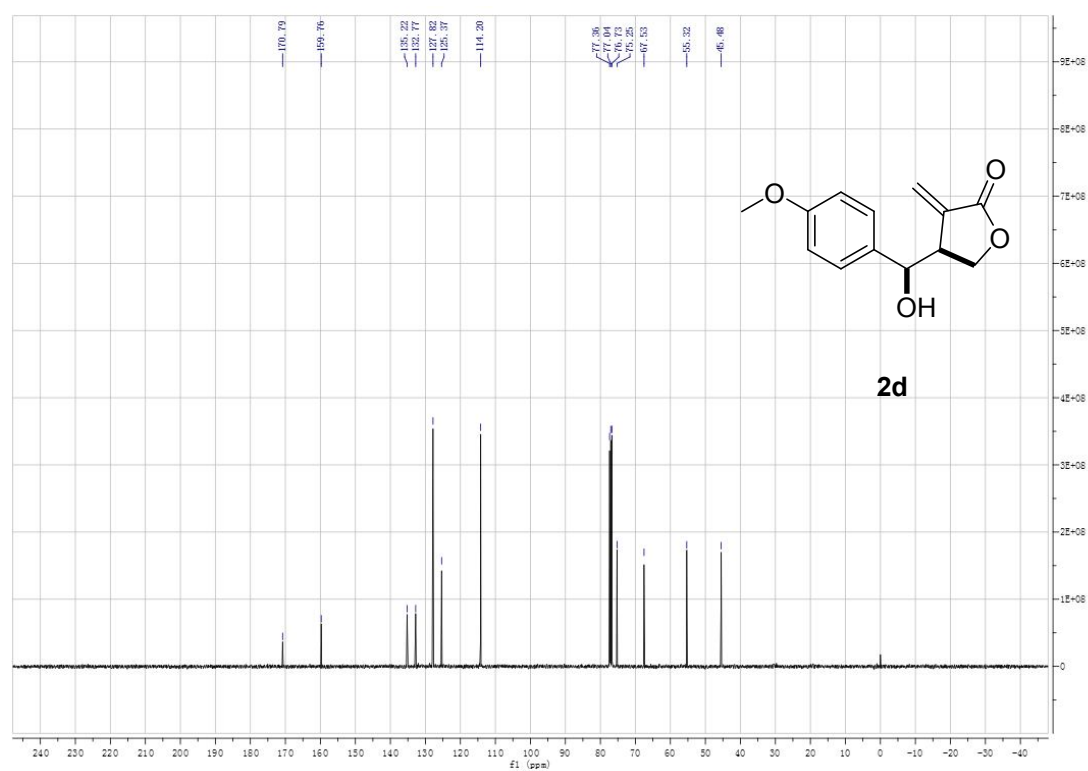
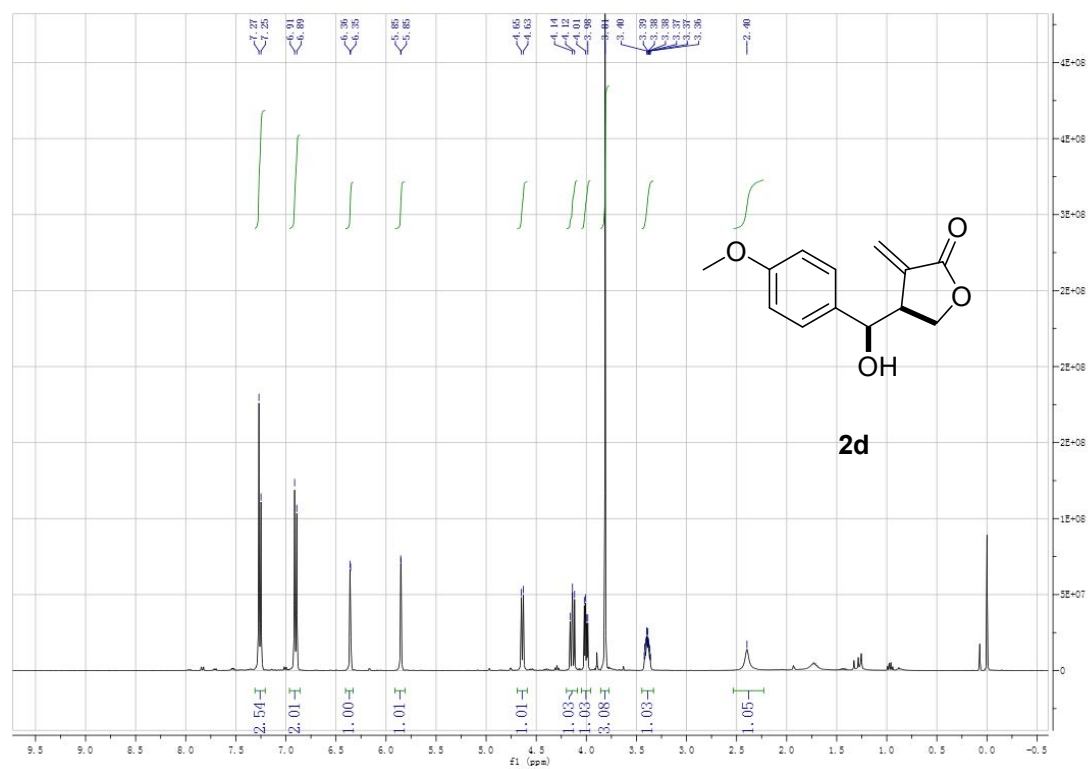
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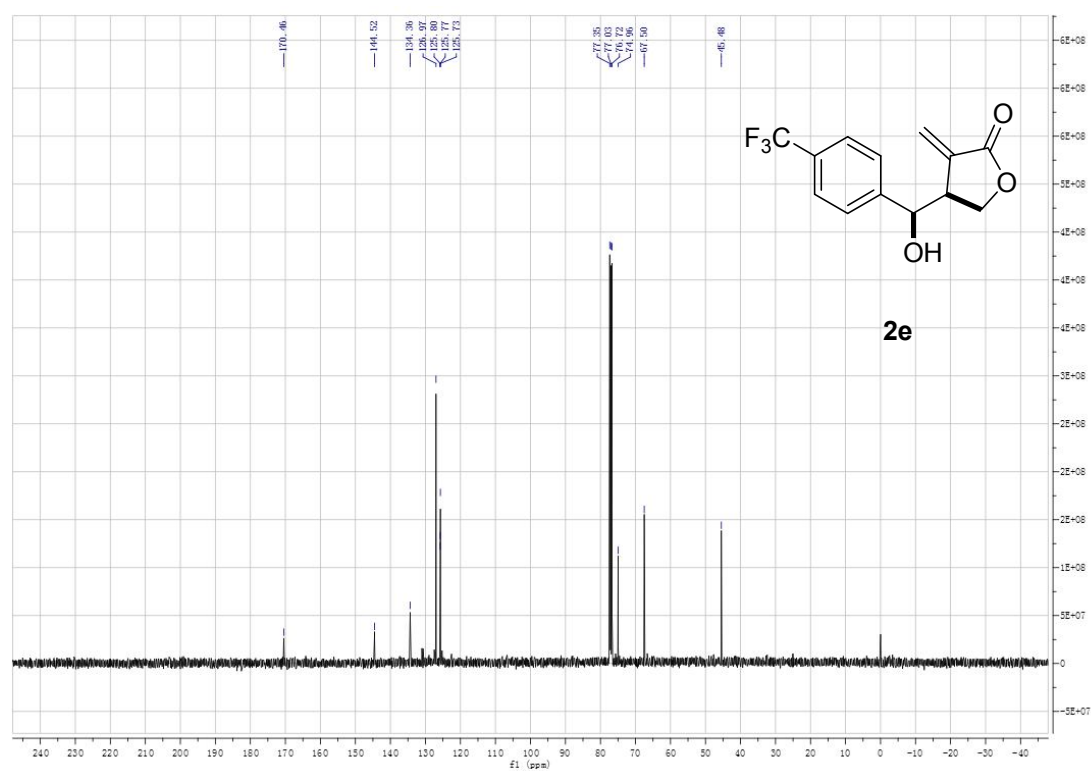
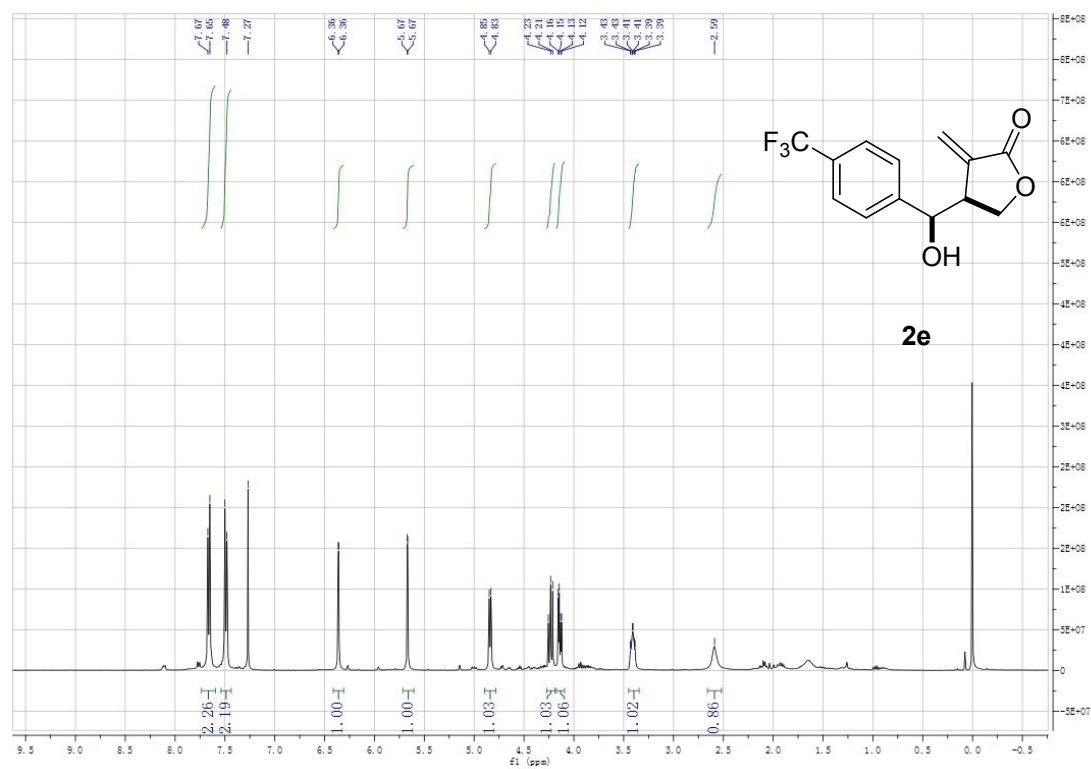
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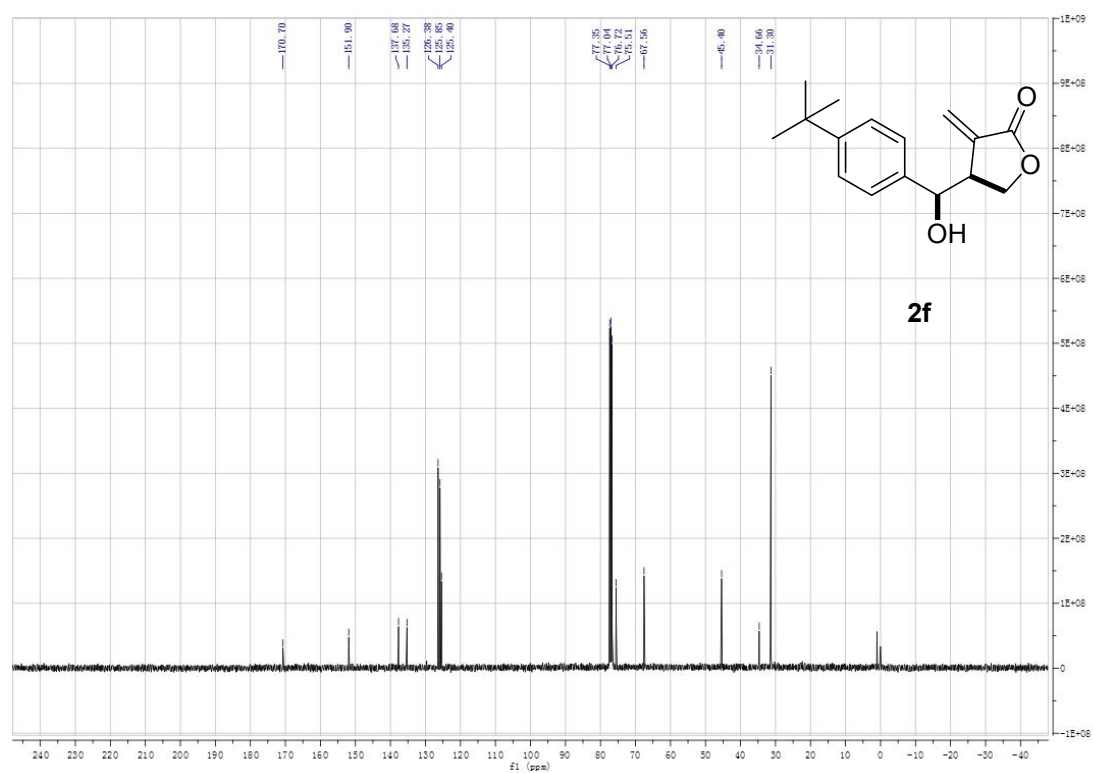
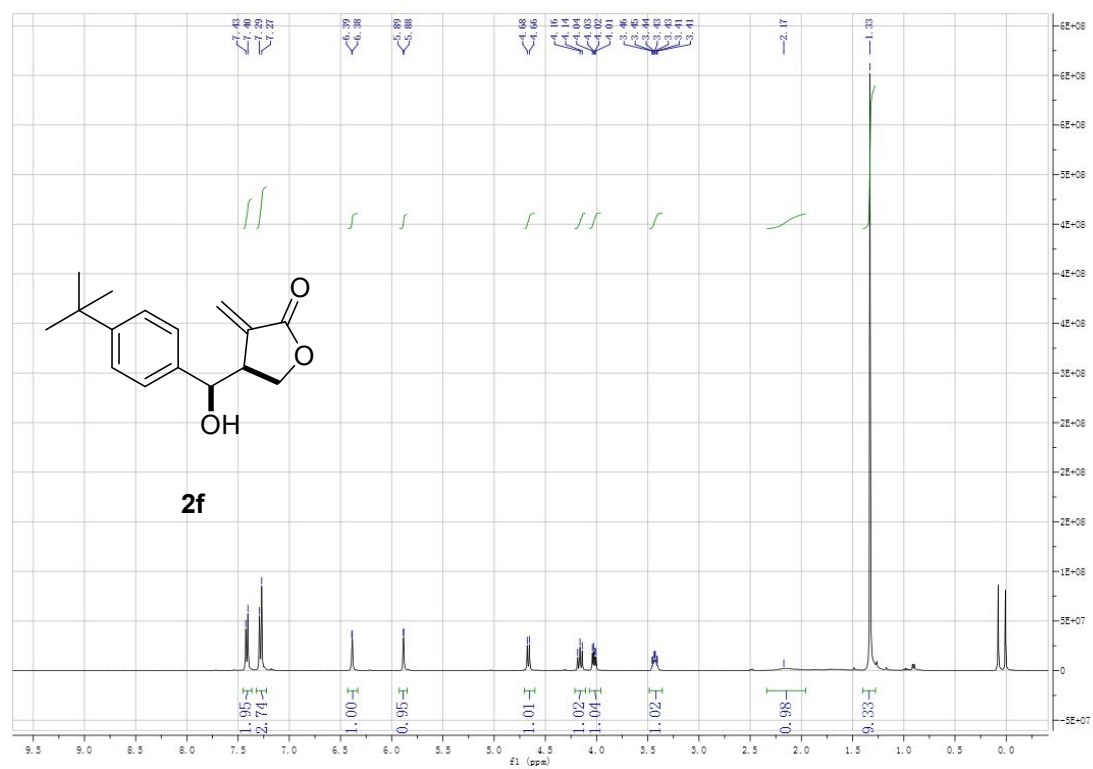


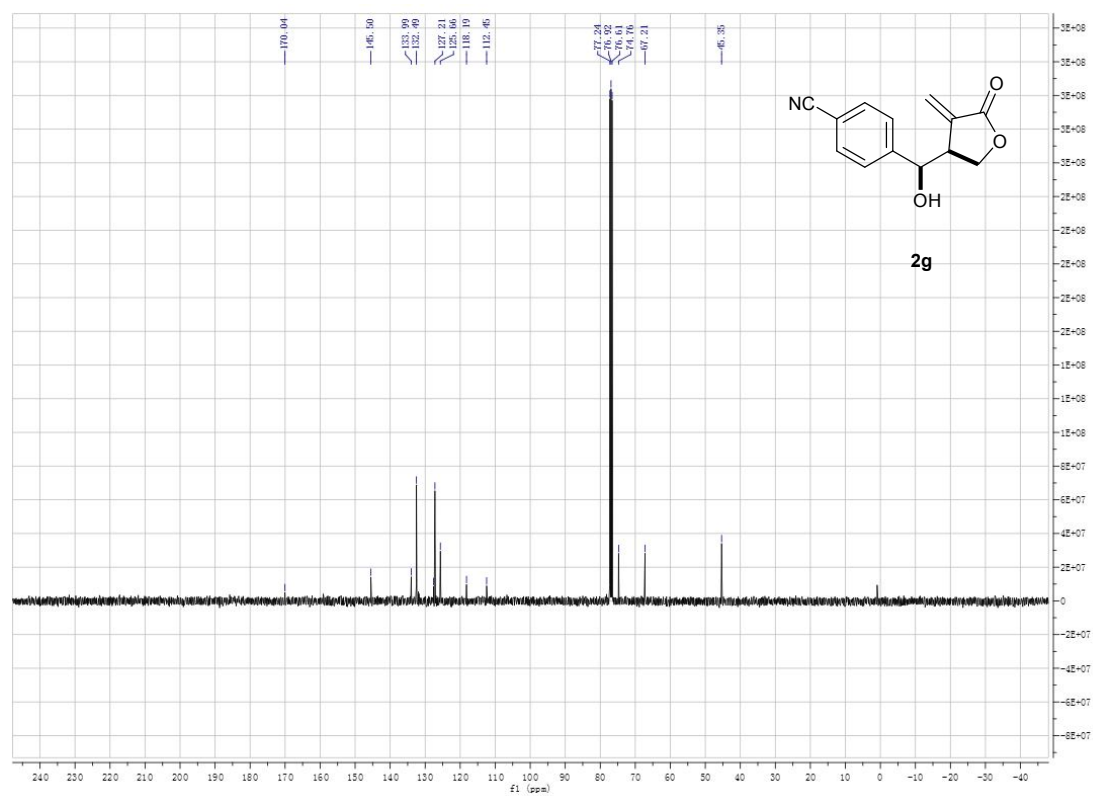
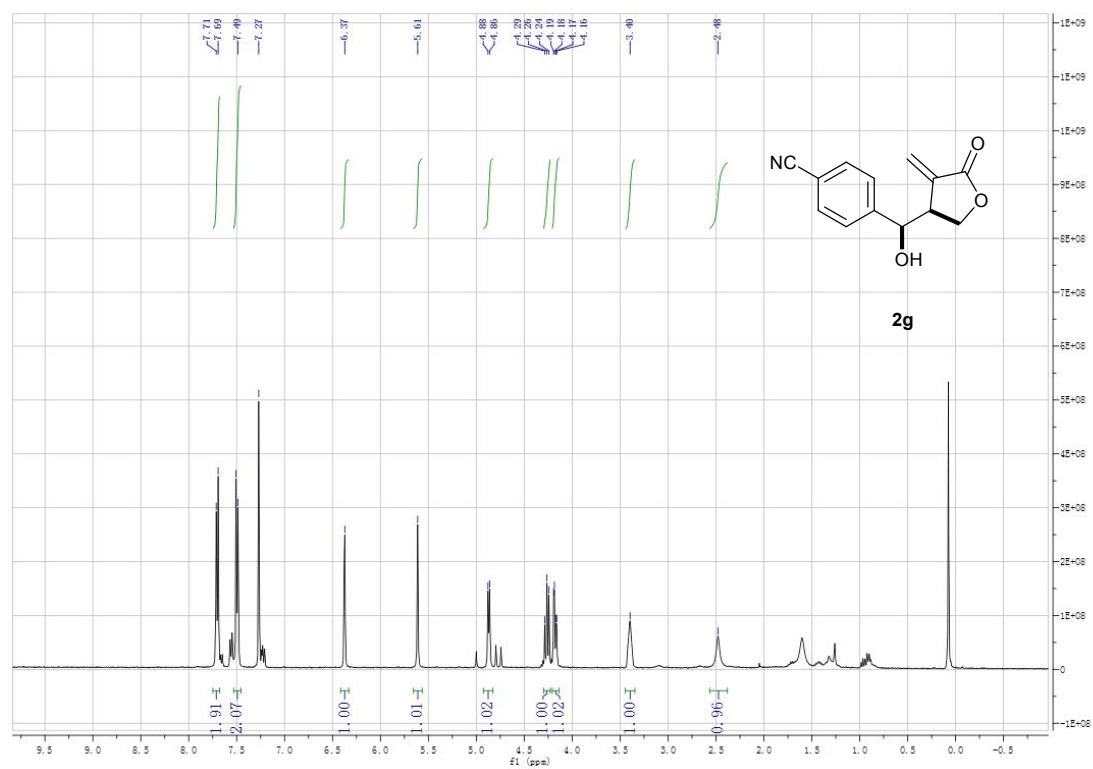


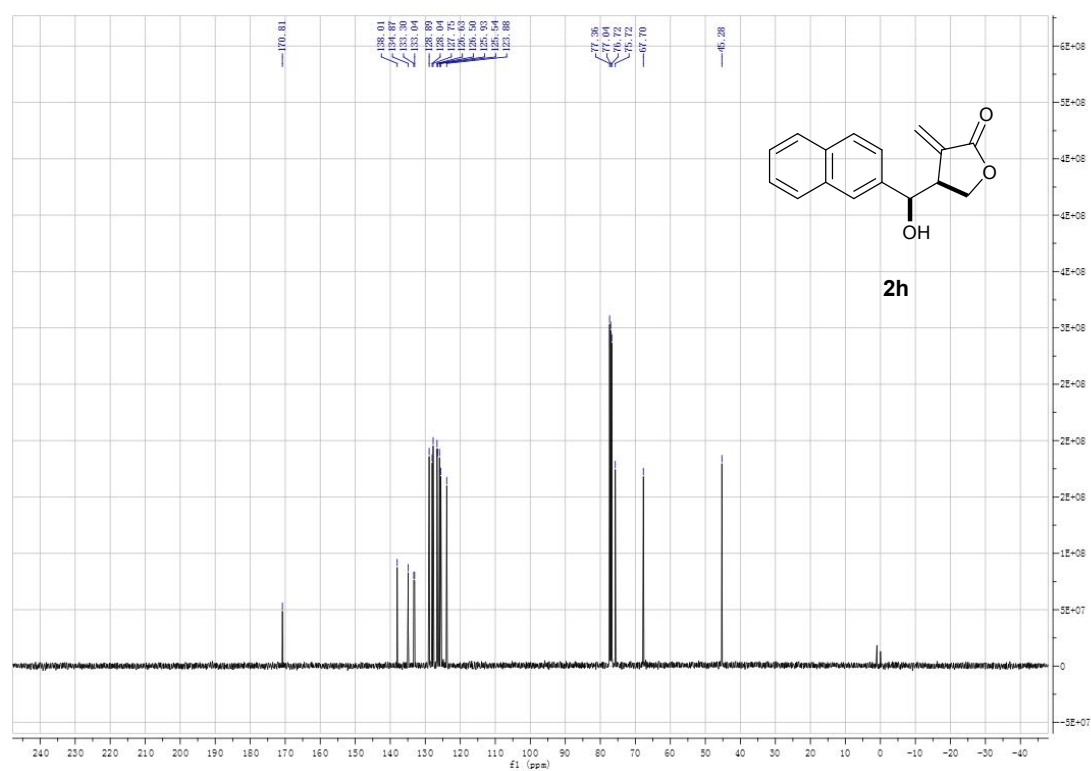
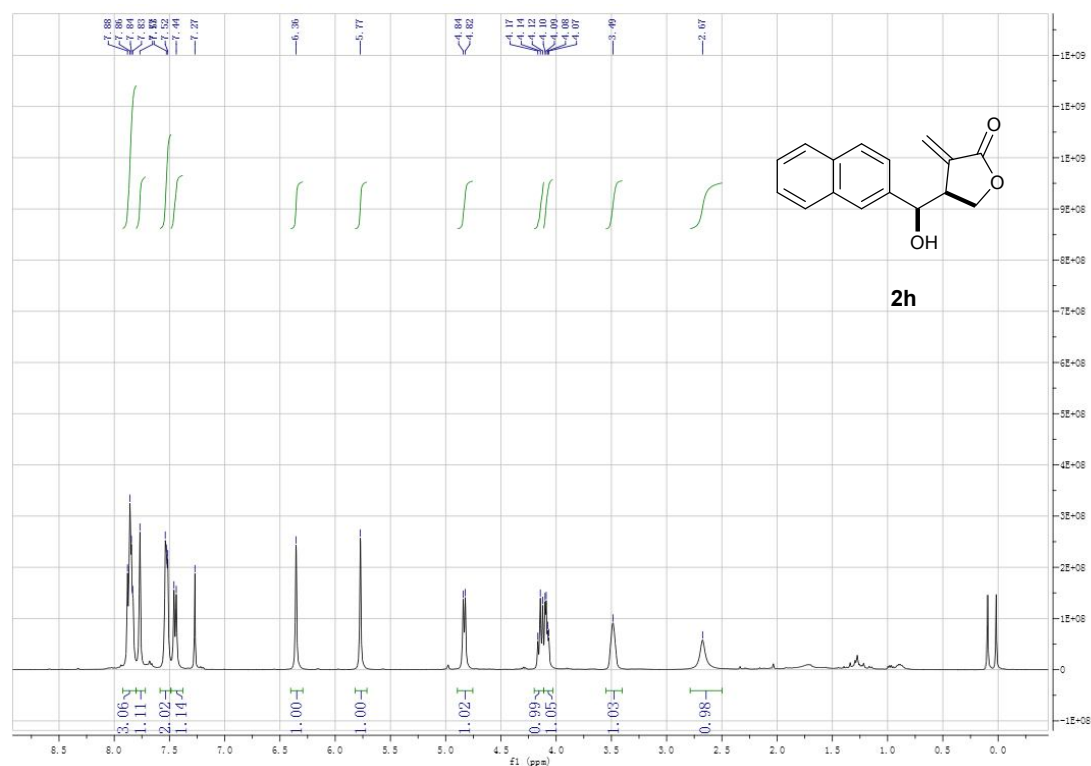


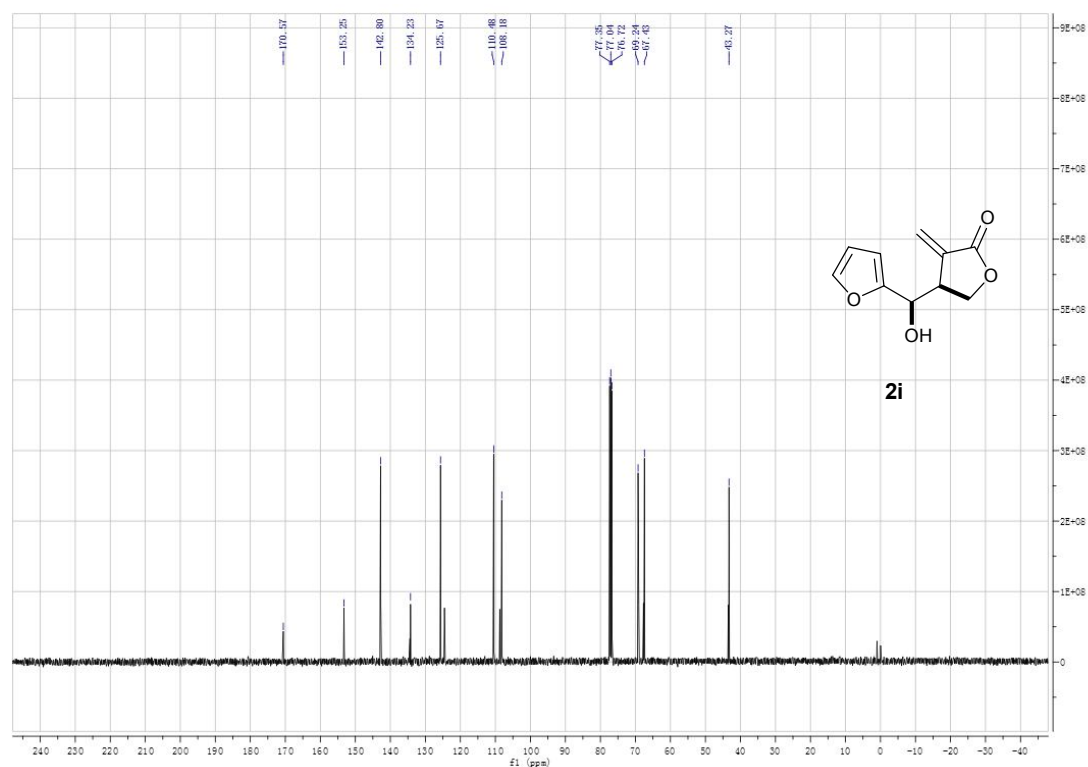
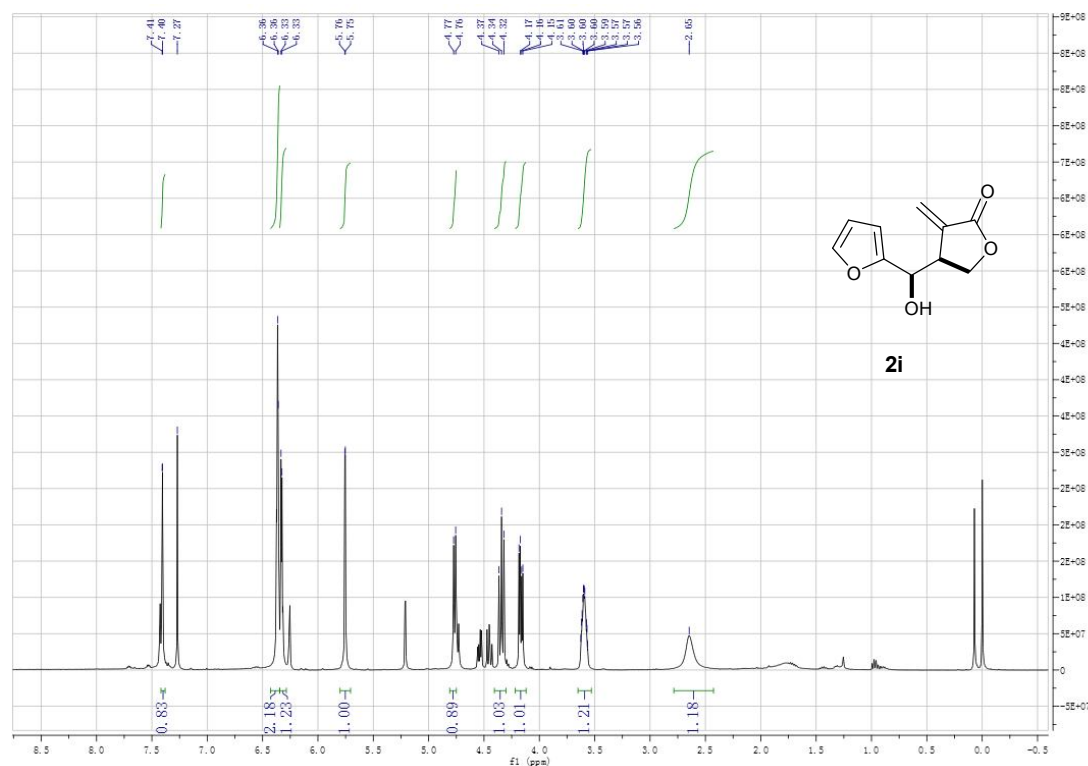


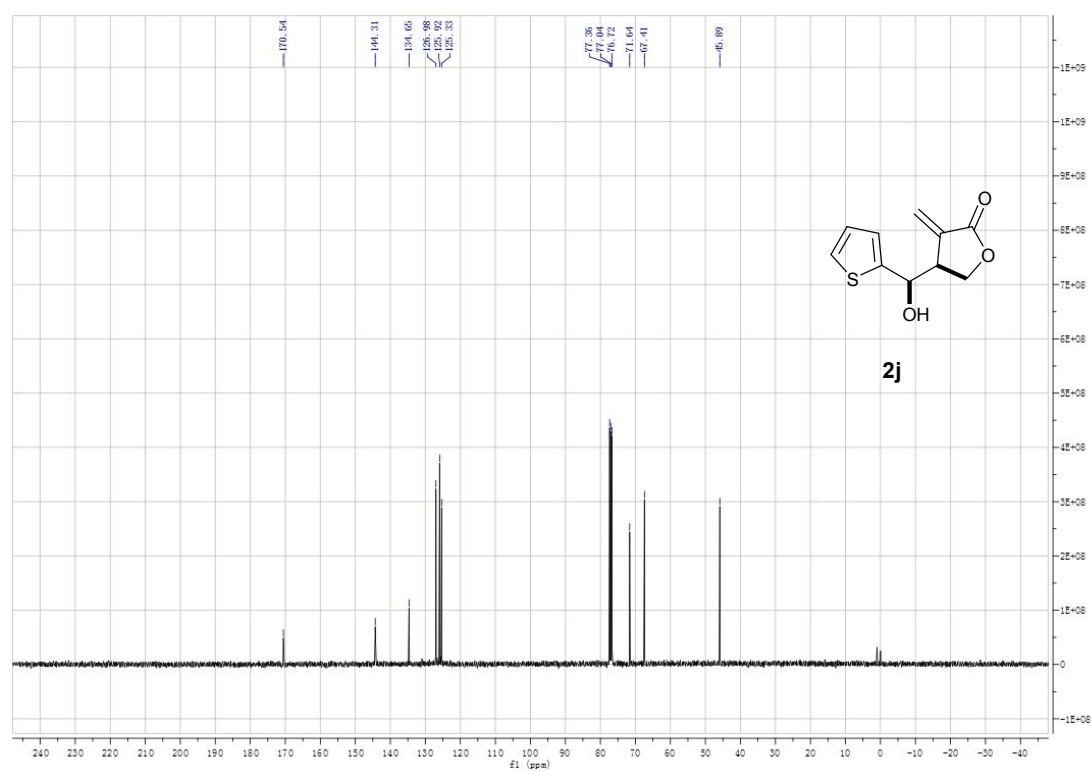
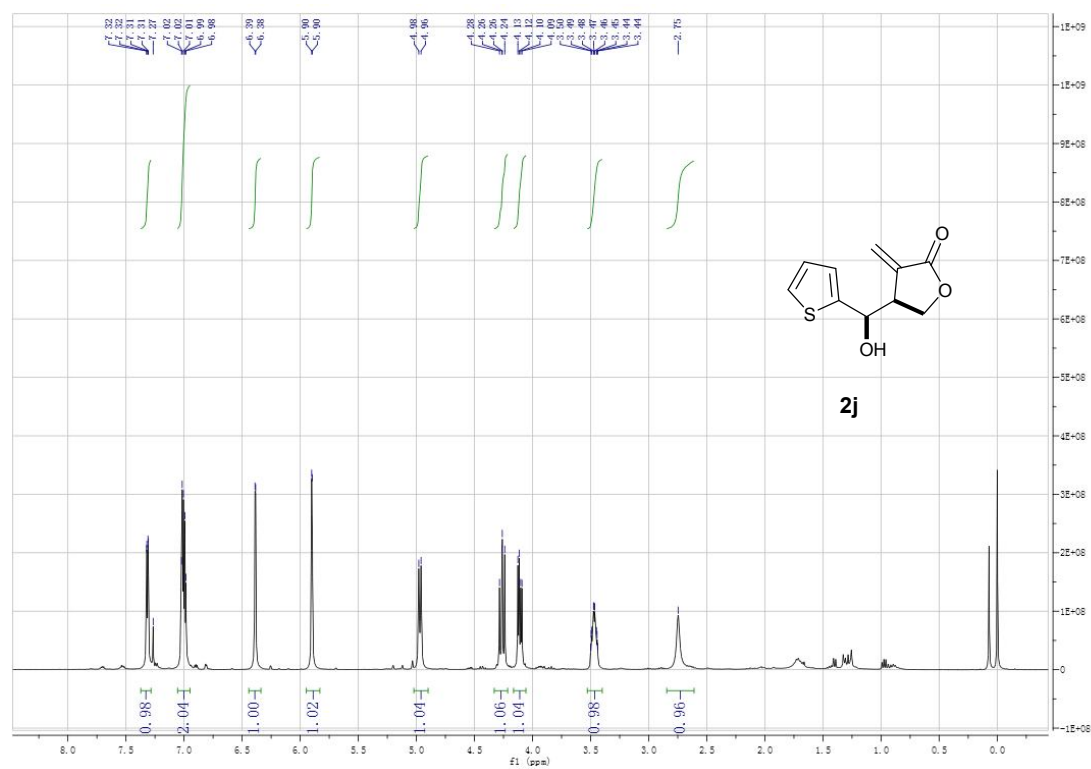


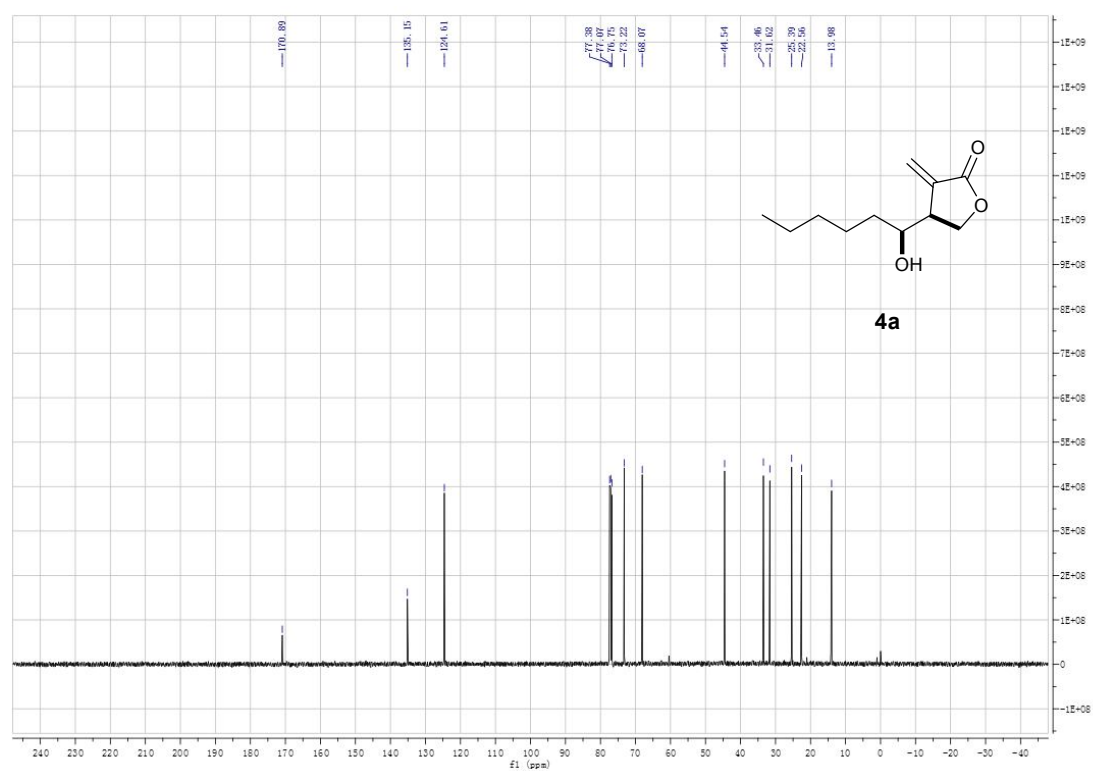
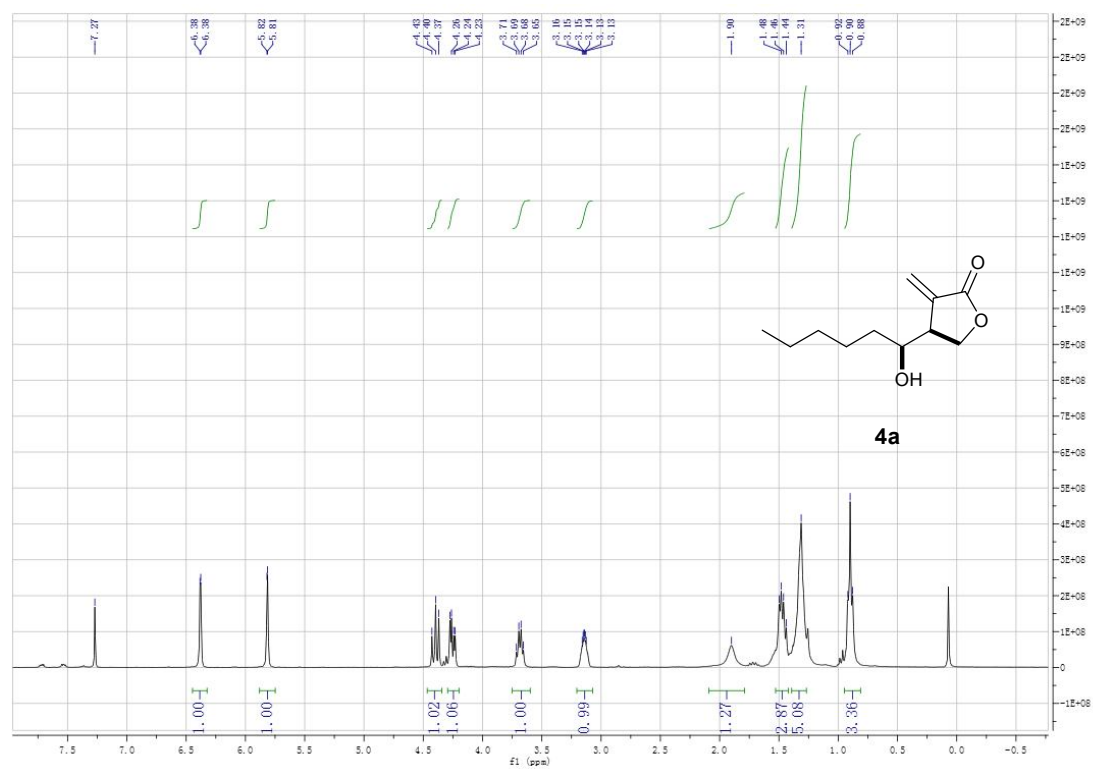


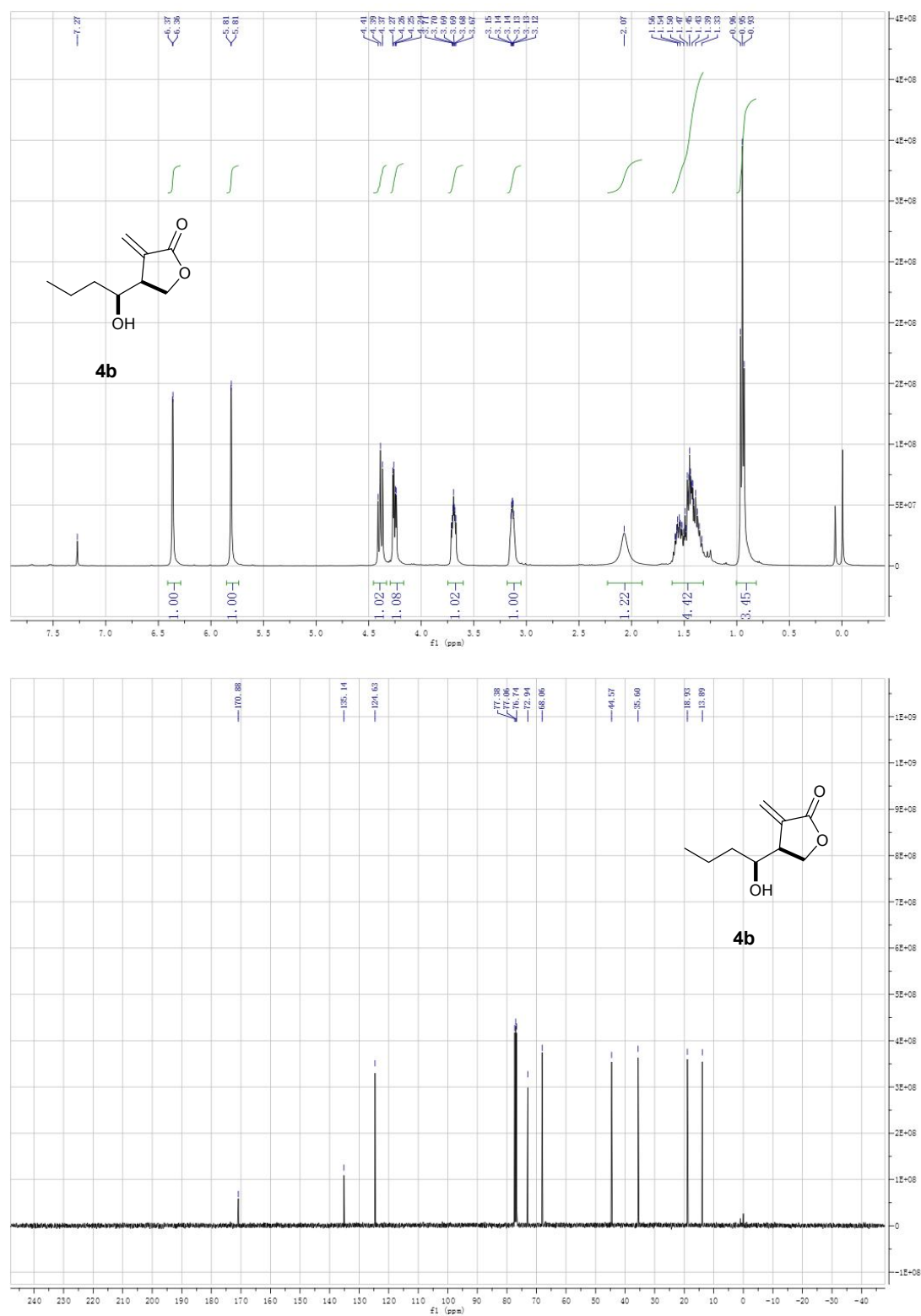


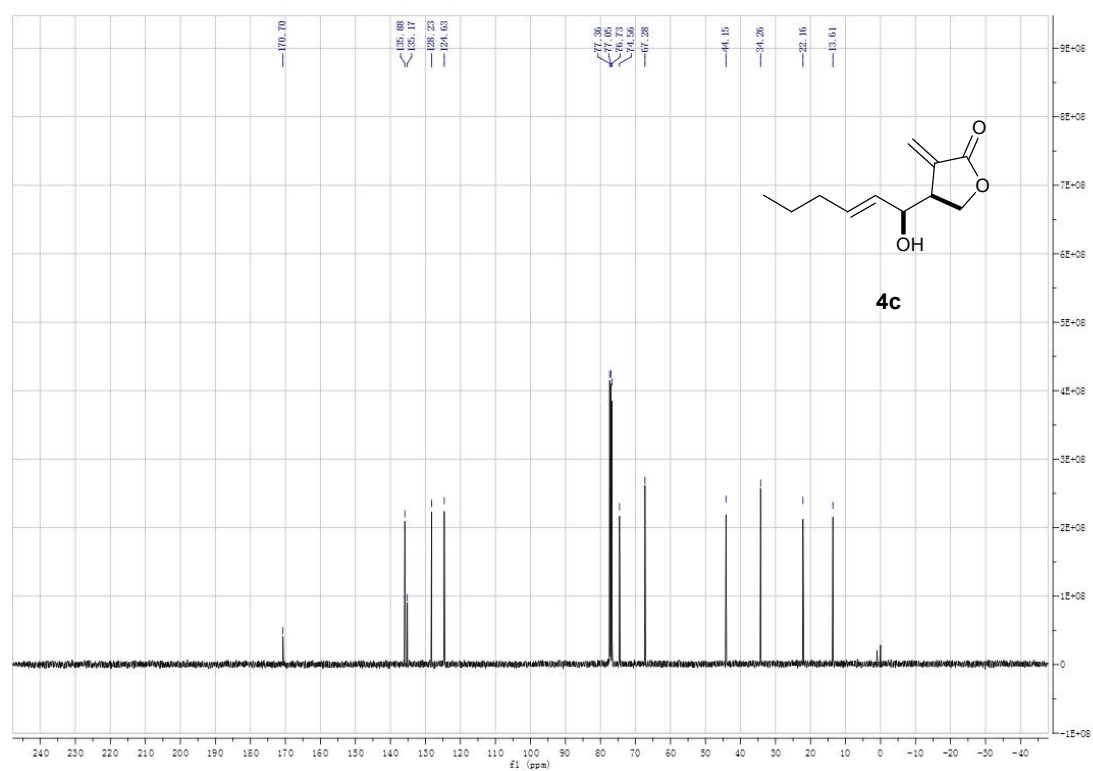
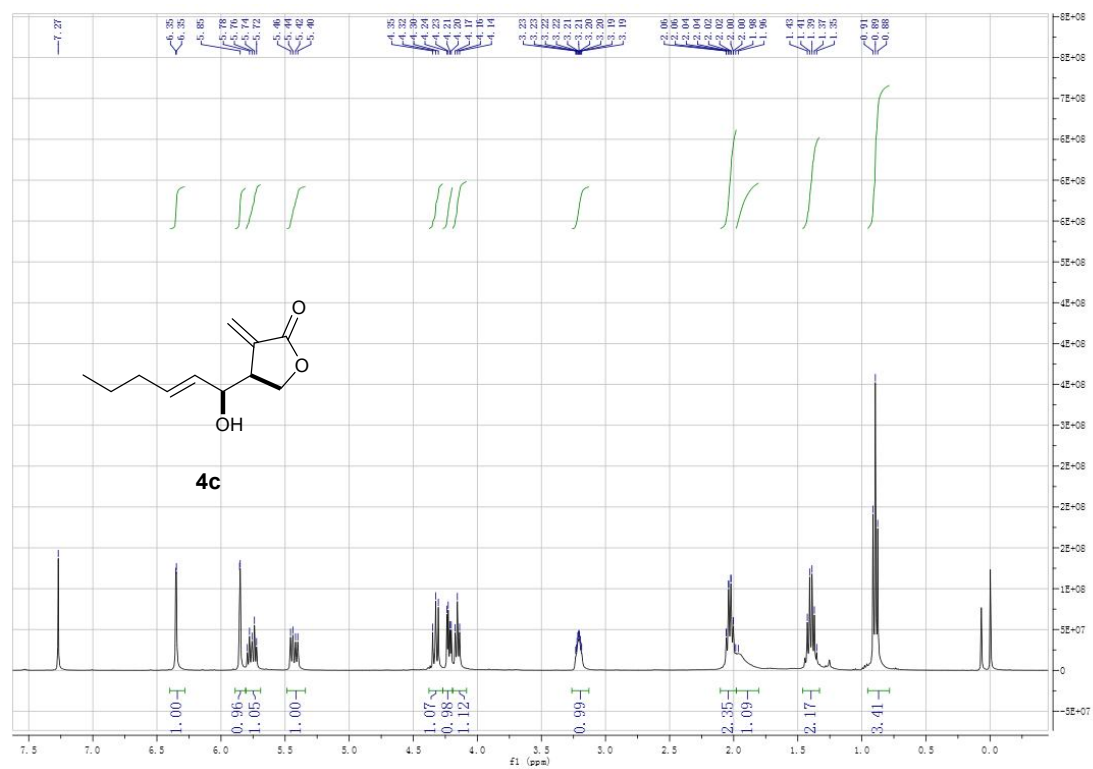


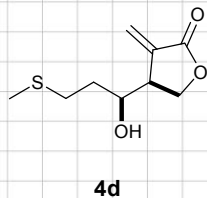
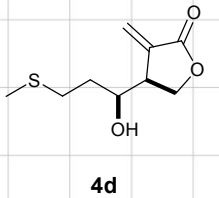


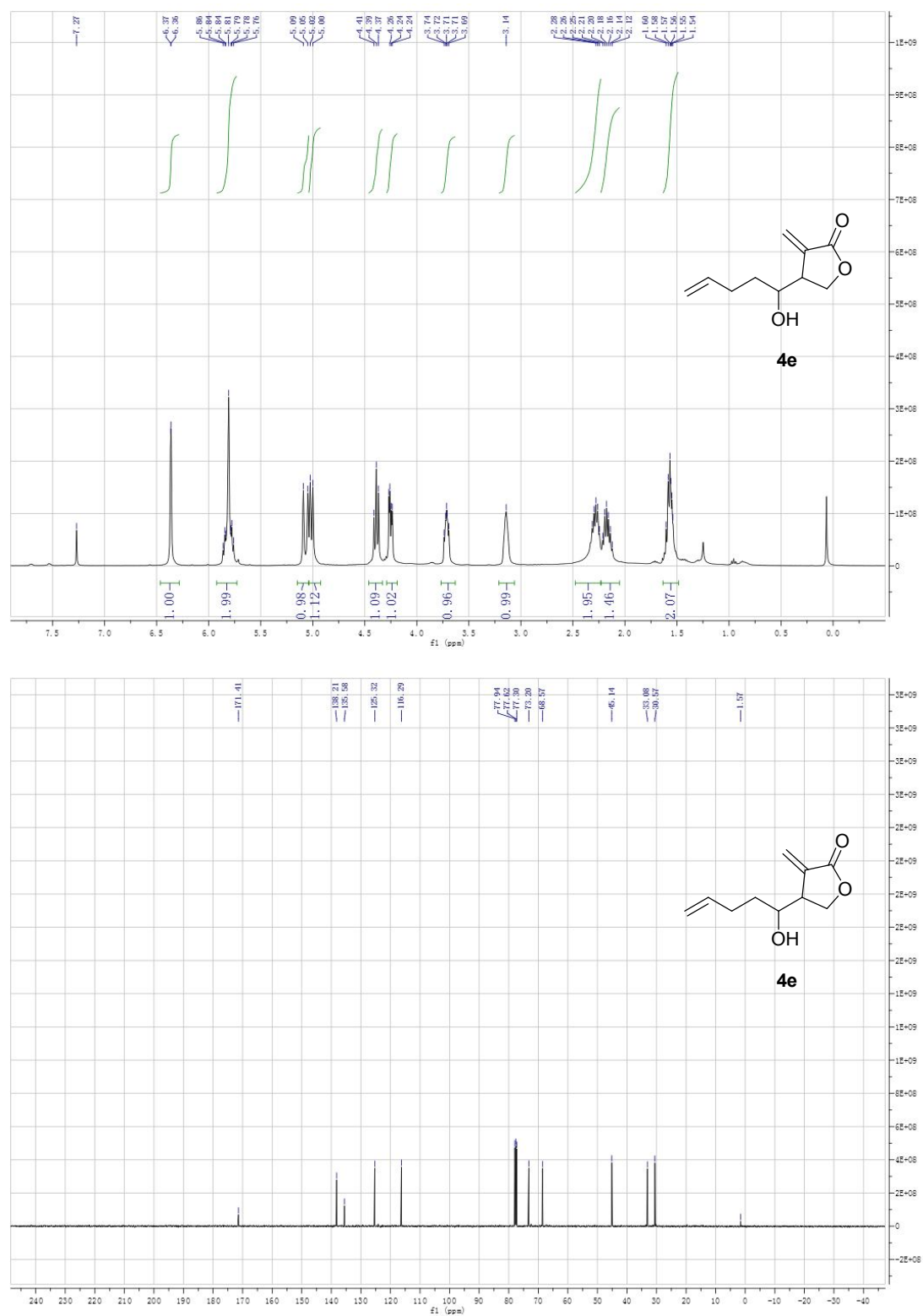


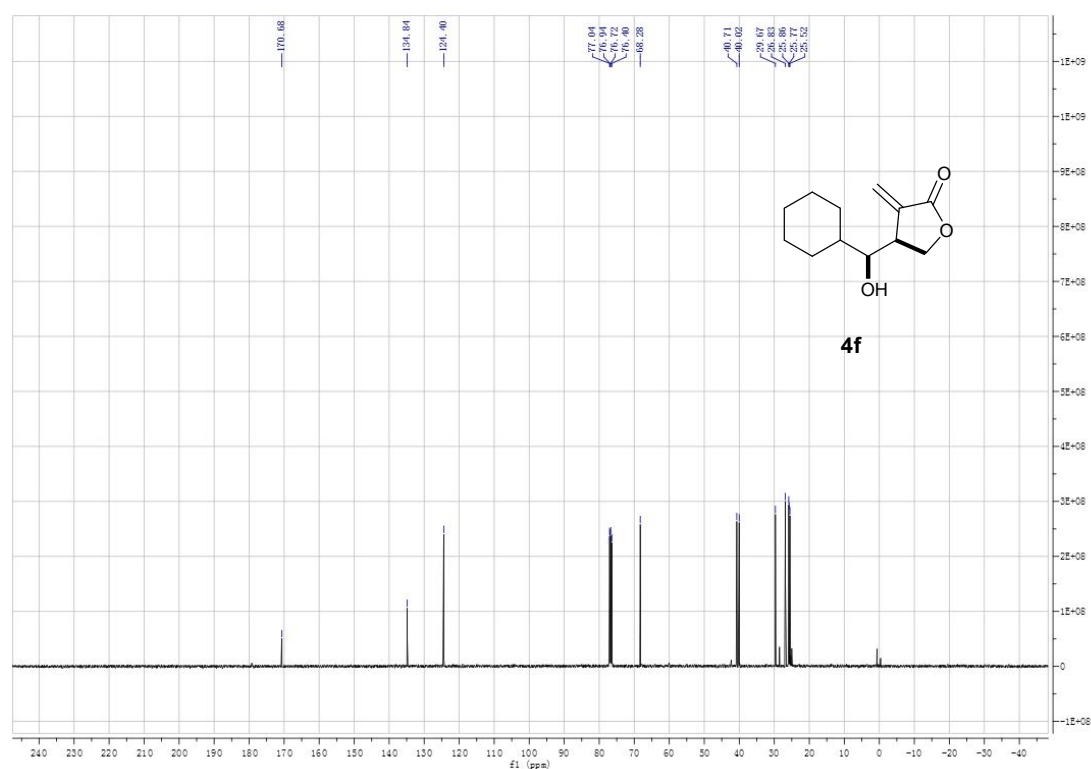
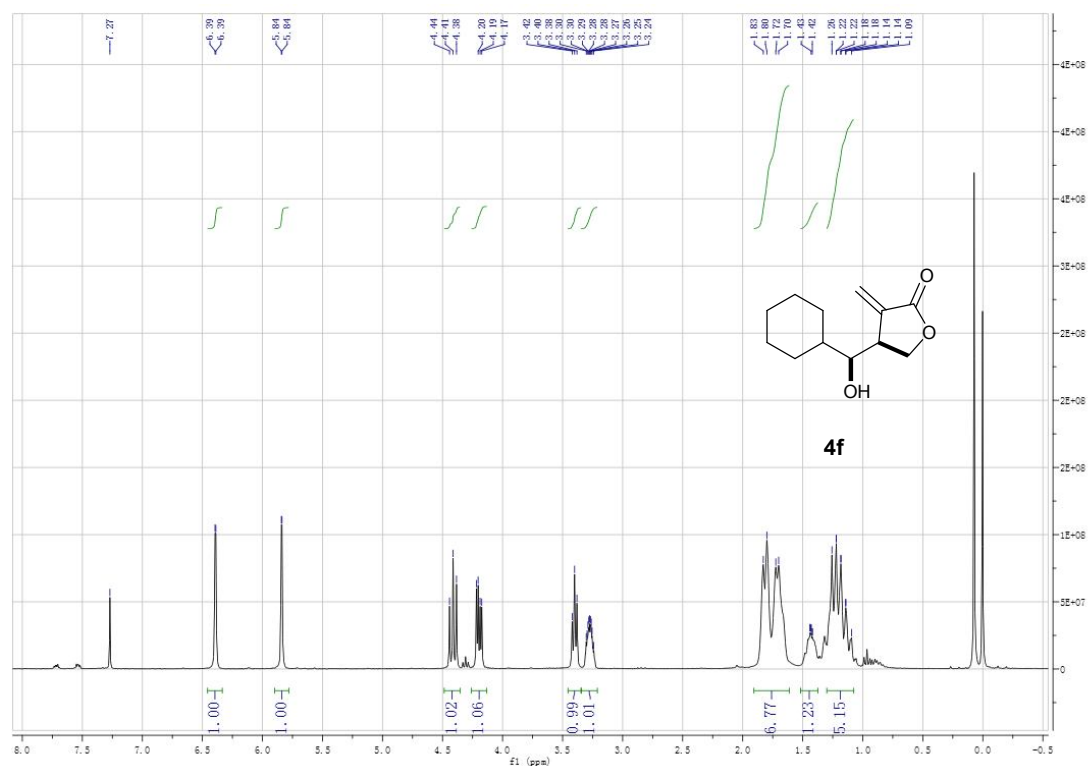


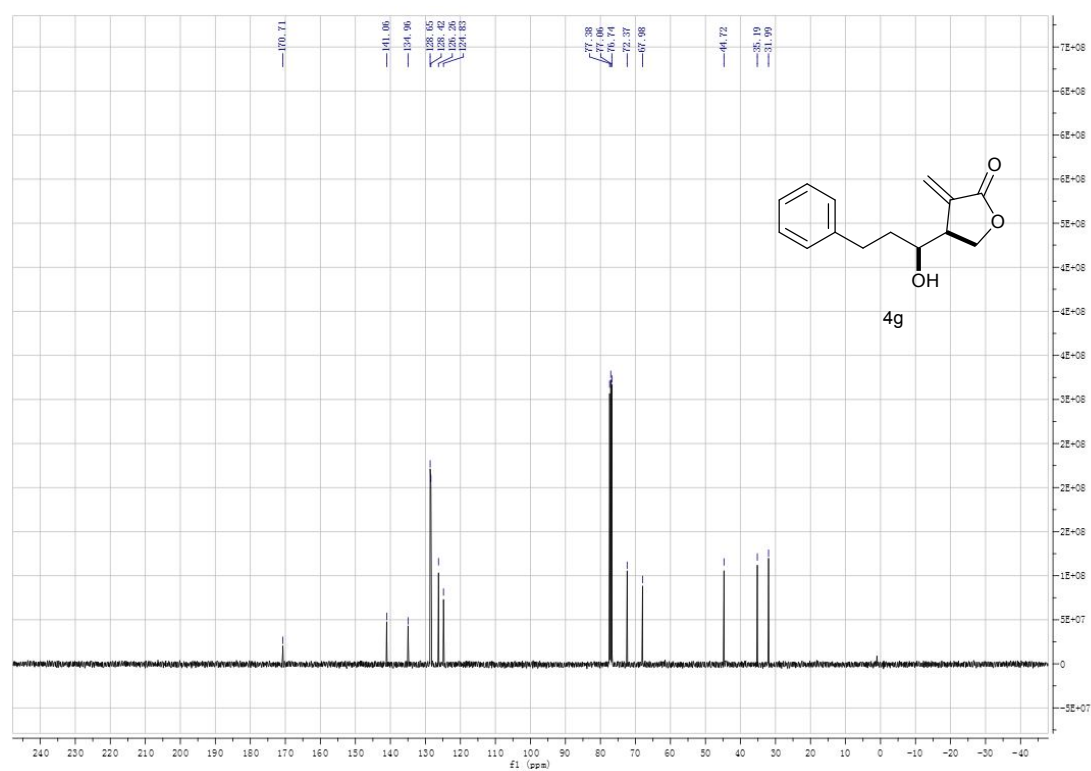
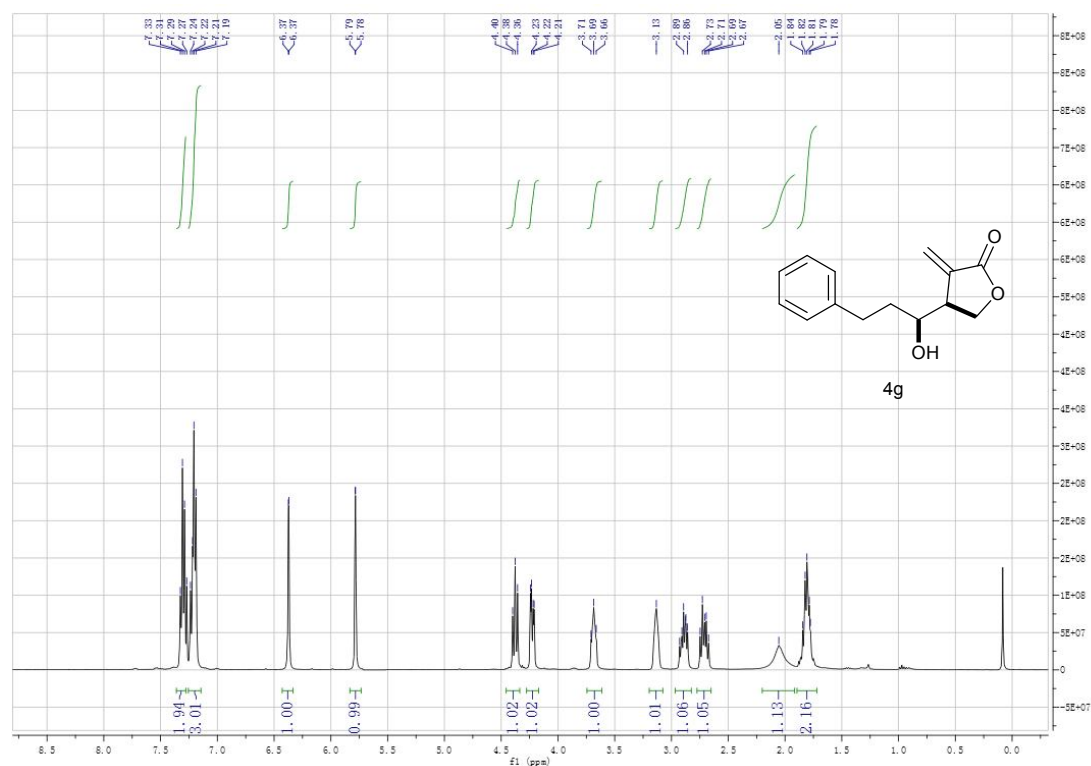


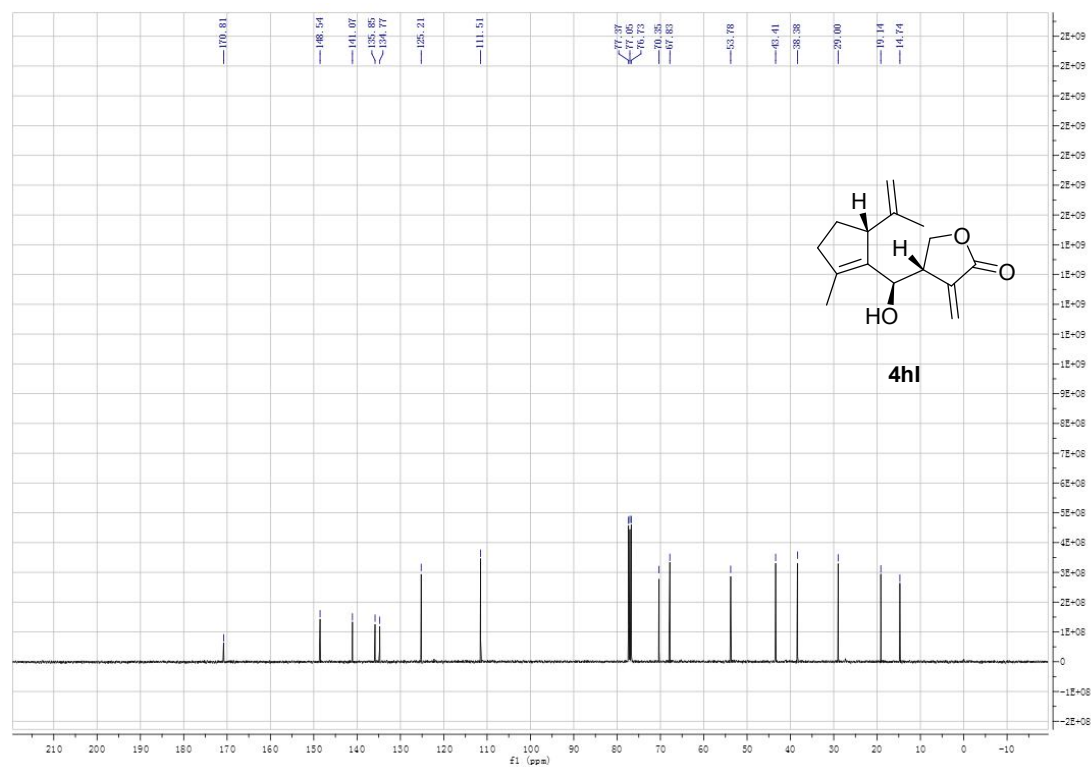
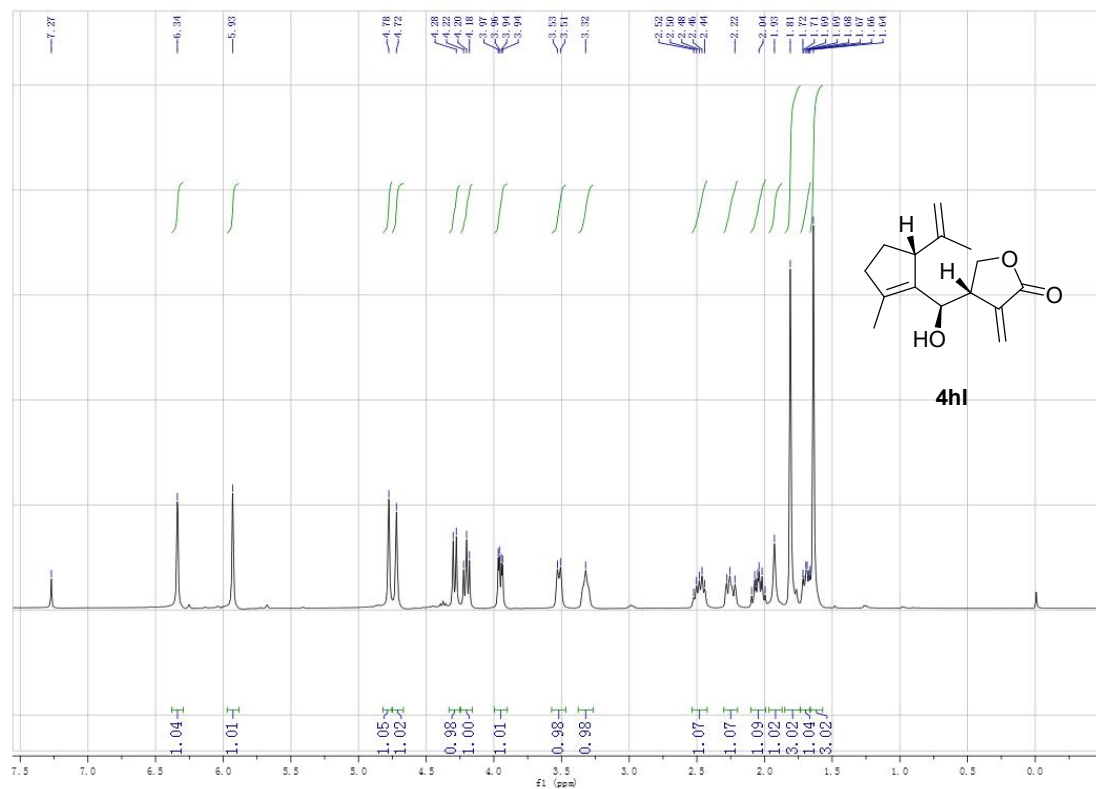


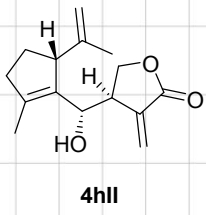
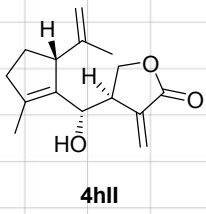


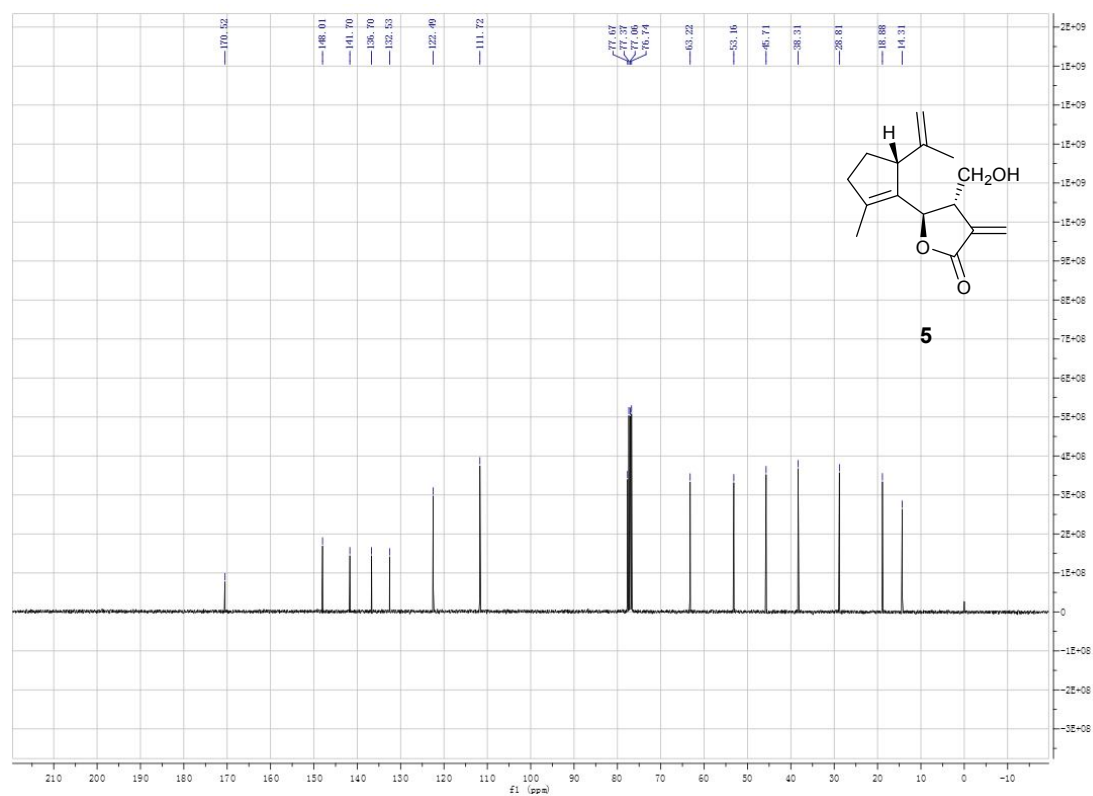
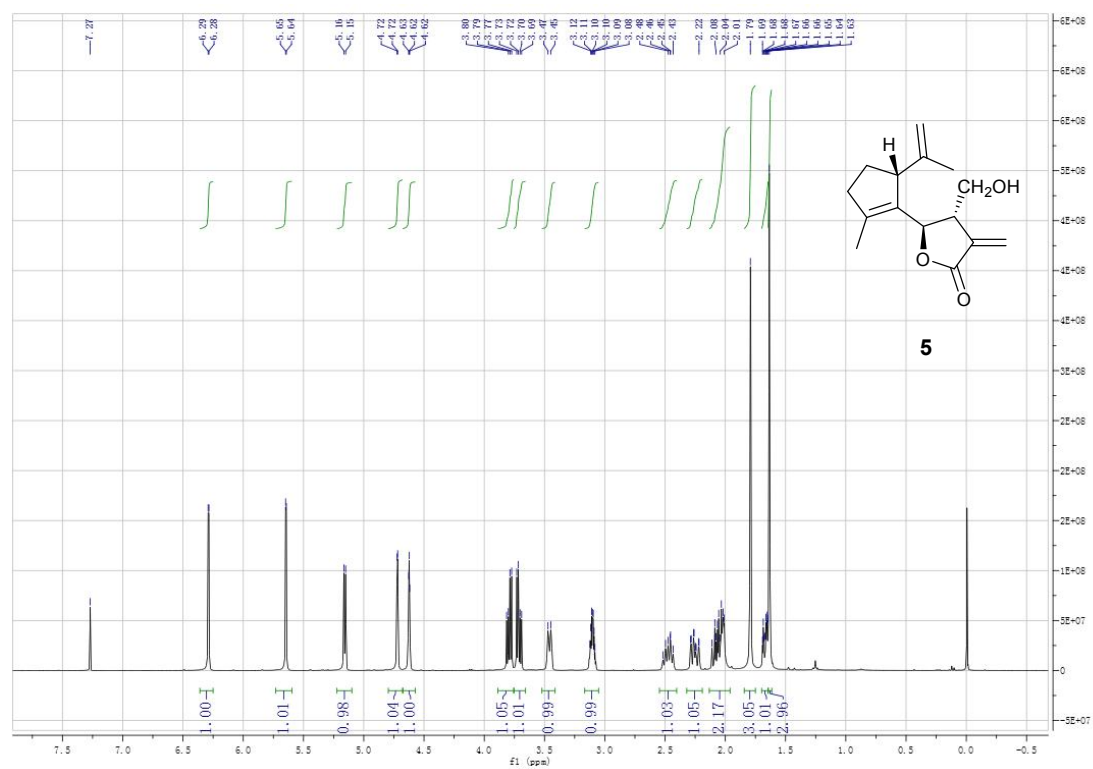


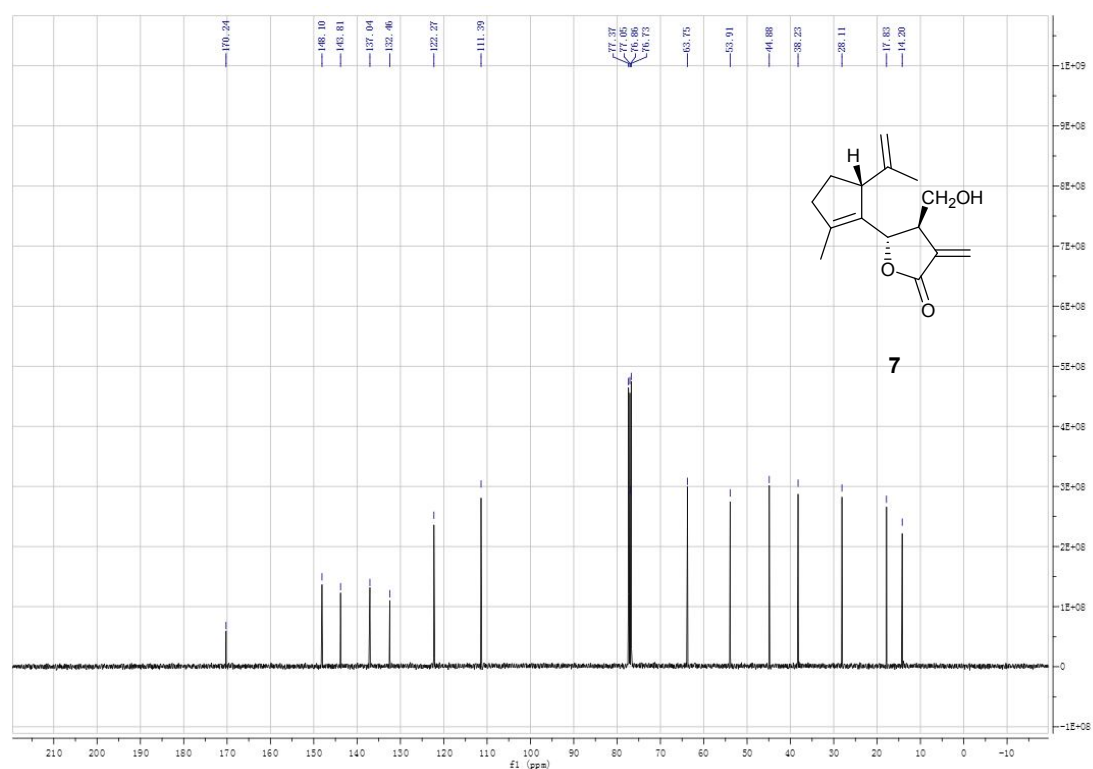
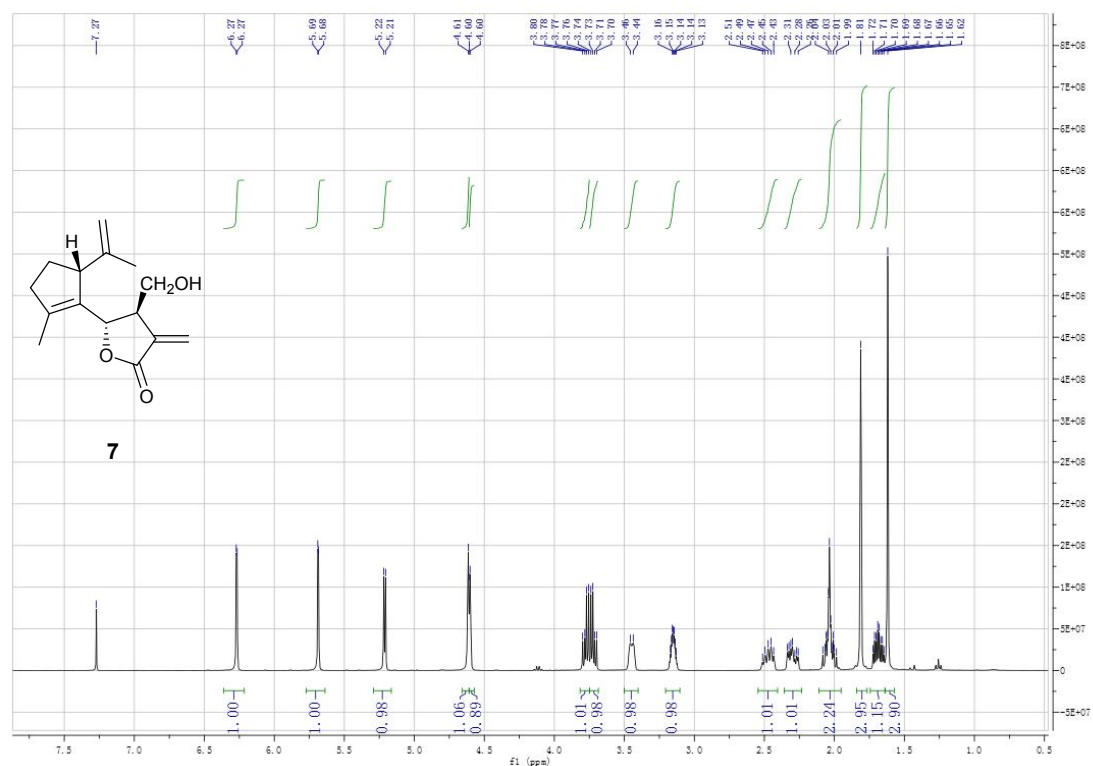


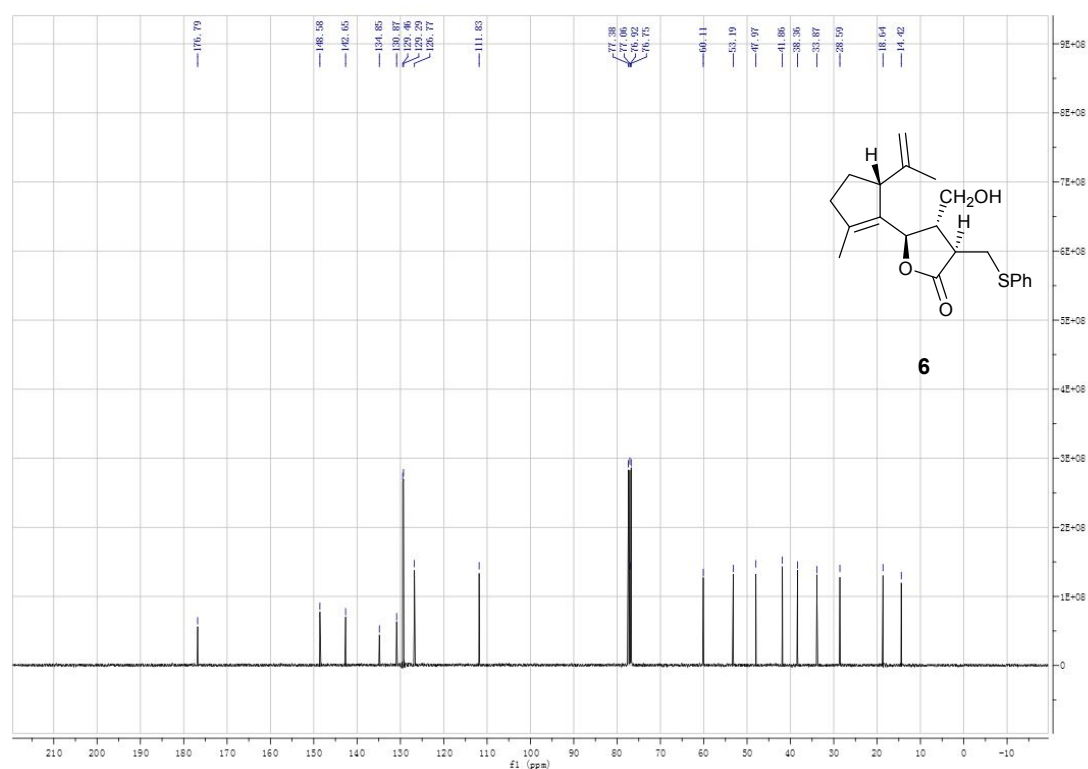
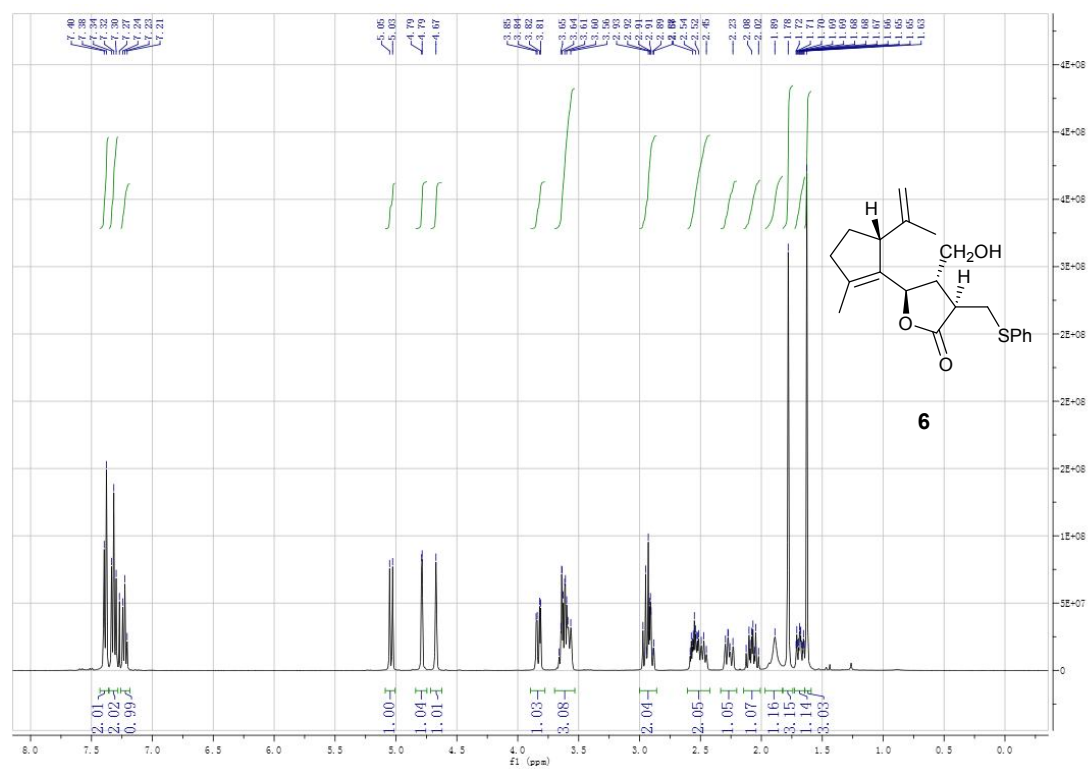


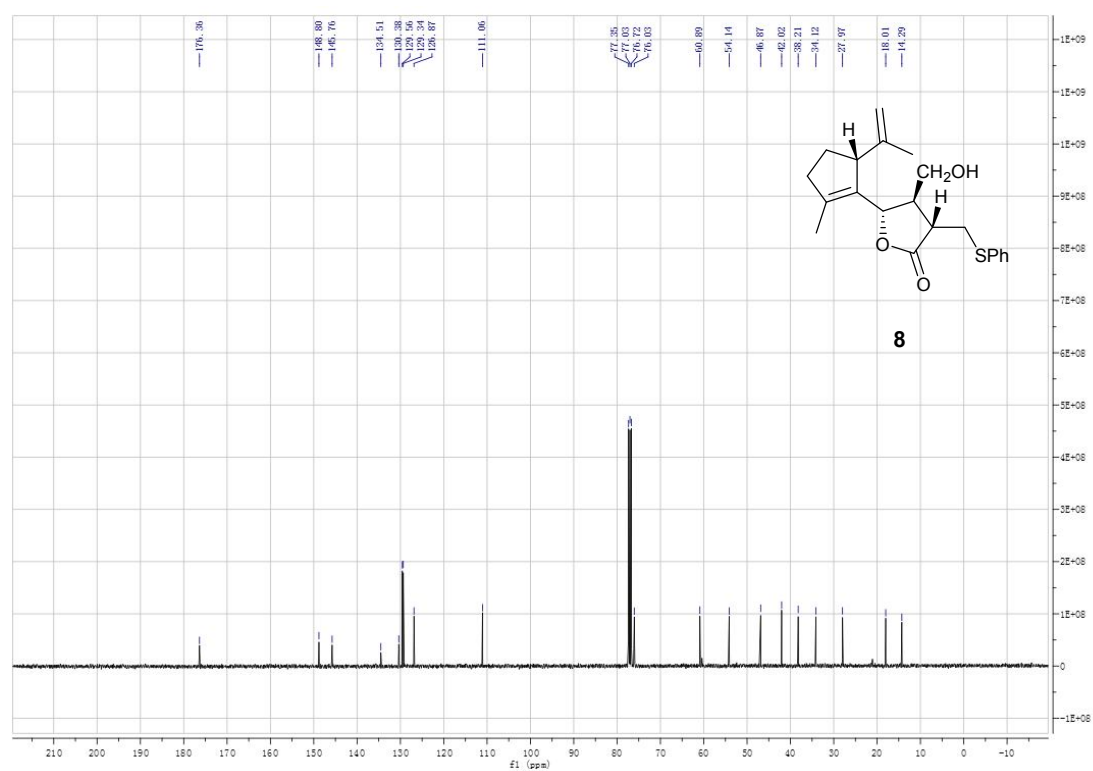
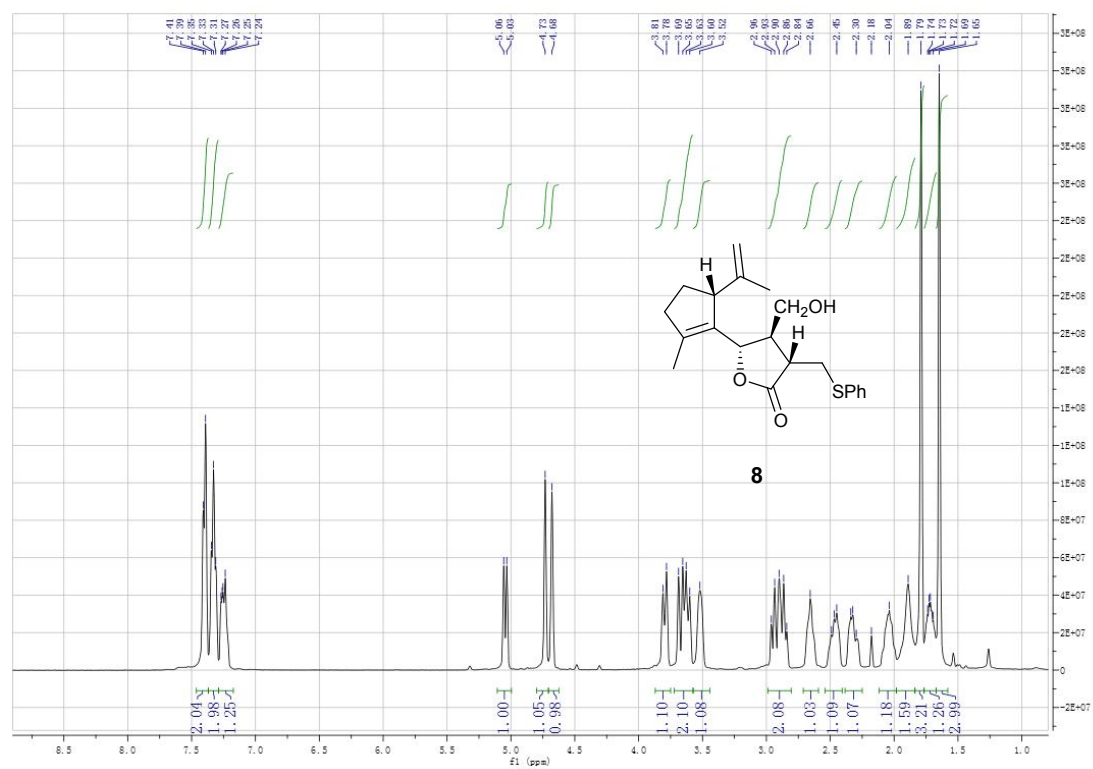






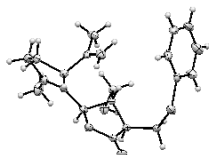






9-Structure of 6, 8 by X-ray

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