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**A tandem elimination–cyclization–desulfitative arylation
reaction of 2-(*gem*-dibromovinyl)phenols(thiophenols) with
sodium arylsulfonates**

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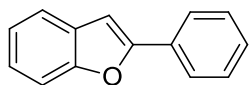
1. General considerations

All the tandem reactions of 2-(*gem*-dibromovinyl)phenols(thiophenols) with sodium arylsulfonates were carried out under a nitrogen atmosphere. ^1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra were measured on a Bruker Avance 400 MHz NMR spectrometer (400 MHz or 100 MHz, respectively) with CDCl_3 as solvent and recorded in ppm relative to internal tetramethylsilane standard. High resolution mass spectroscopy data of the product were collected on a Waters Micromass GCT instrument. The solvents and general chemicals were purchased from commercial suppliers and used without further purification. All the *gem*-dibromovinyl substrates were synthesized according to the reported procedures in the literature (Newman, S. G.; Aureggi, V.; Bryan, C. S.; Lautens, M. *Chem. Commun.* **2009**, 5236–5238).

2. Typical procedure for the tandem elimination–cyclization –desulfitative arylation reaction

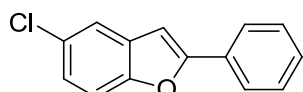
A sealable reaction tube equipped with a magnetic stirrer bar was charged with *gem*-dibromovinyl substrate (0.50 mmol), TBAF (1.0 mmol) and DMF (3.0 mL). The reaction mixture was stirred for 4 h at room temperature, then sodium arylsulfinate (1.0 mmol), PdCl_2 (0.050 mmol), $\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2$ (1.0 mmol), NEt_3 (1.0 mmol) were added to the reaction system. The rubber septum was then replaced by a Teflon-coated screw cap, and the reaction vessel placed in an oil bath at 110 °C. After stirring the mixture at this temperature for 12 h, it was cooled to room temperature and diluted with ethyl acetate, washed with water and brine, dried over MgSO_4 . After the solvent was removed under reduced pressure, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (eluant: petroleum ether) to afford the corresponding product.

3. Characterization data for all products



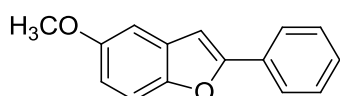
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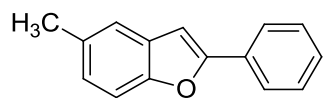
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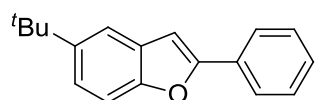
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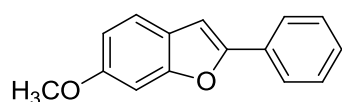
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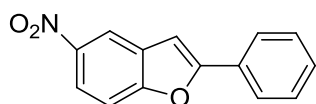
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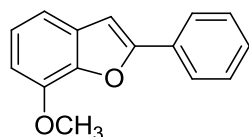
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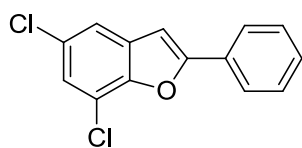
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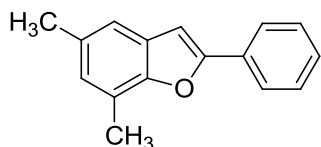
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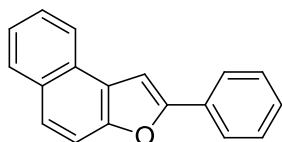
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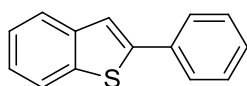
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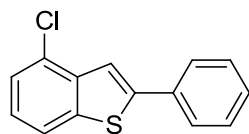
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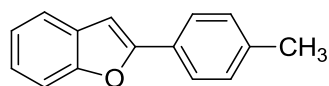
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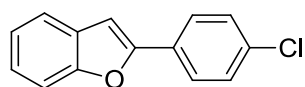
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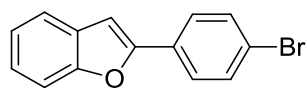
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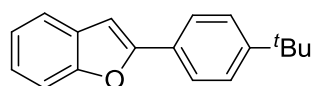
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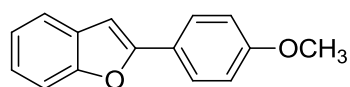
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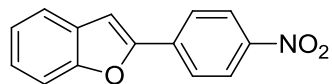
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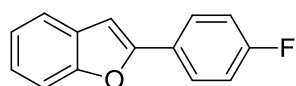
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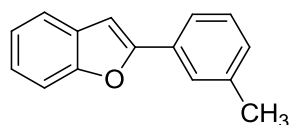
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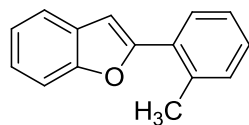
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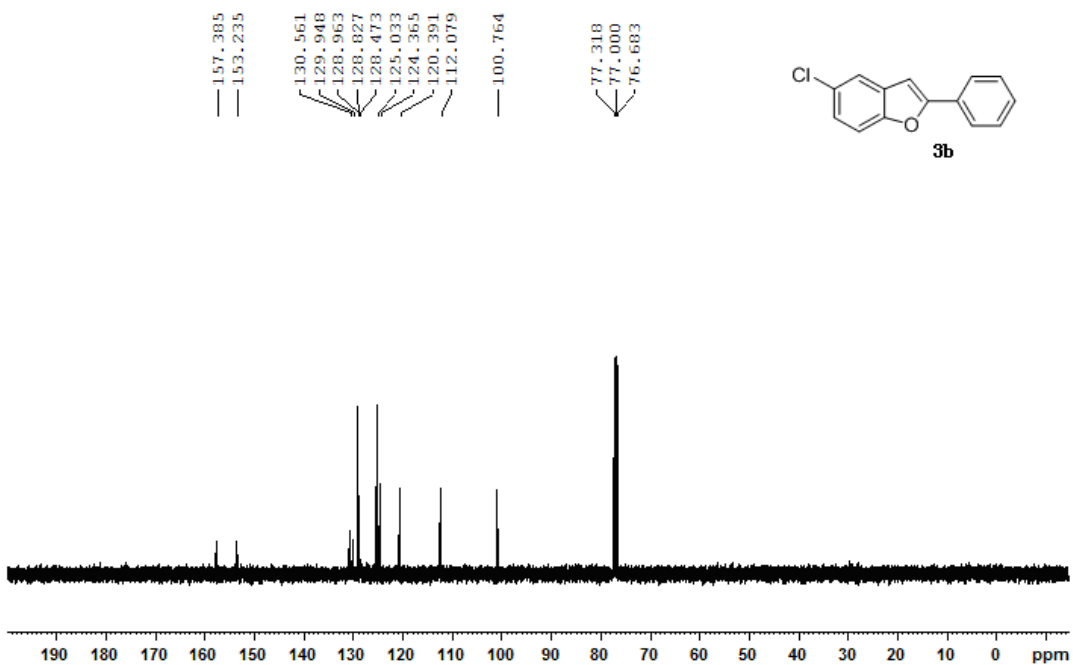
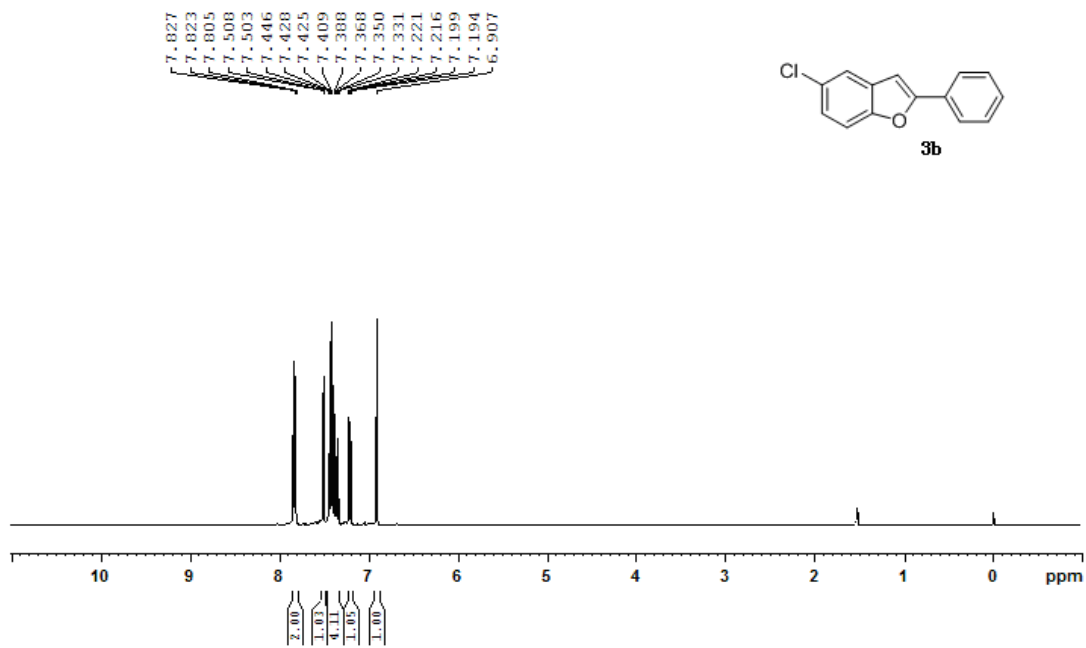
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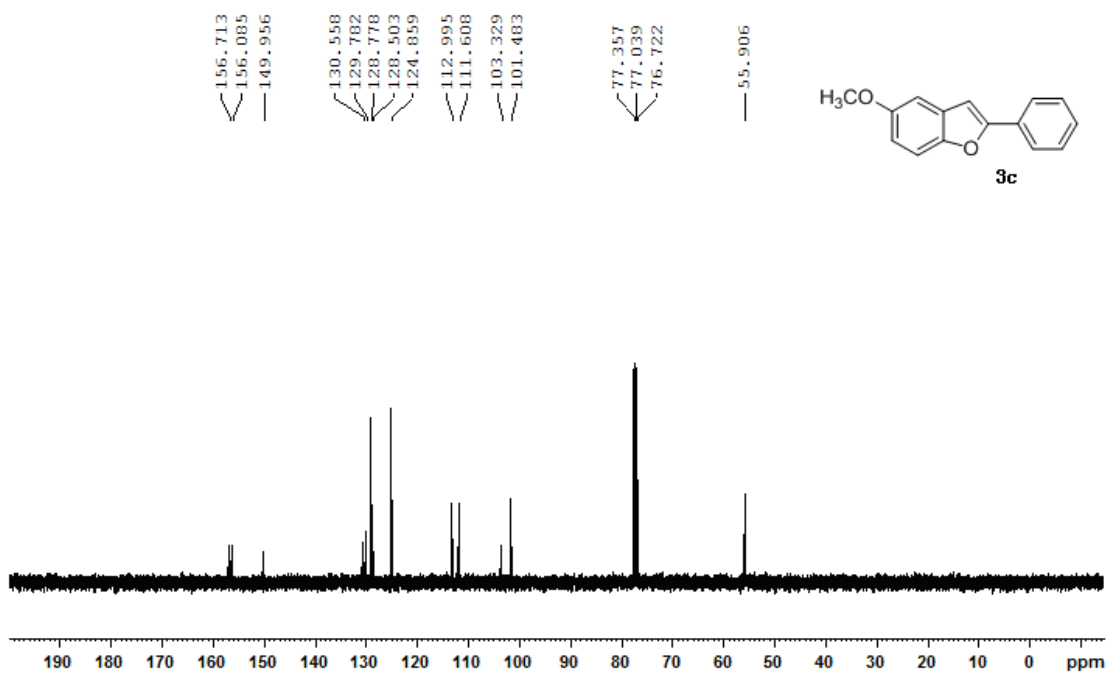
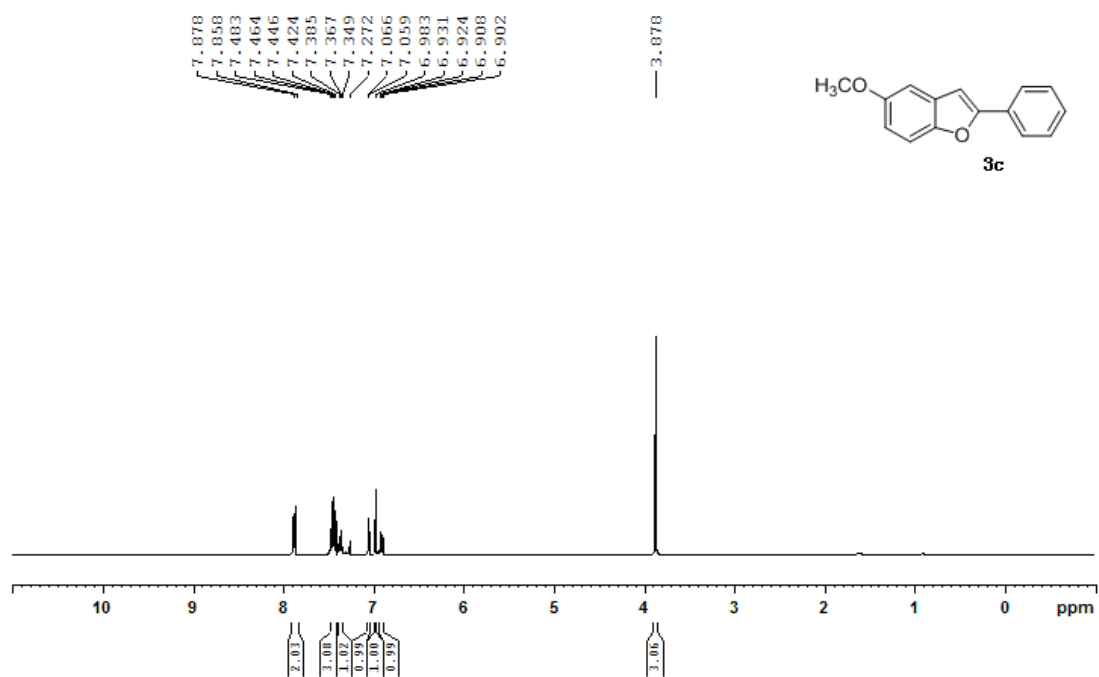
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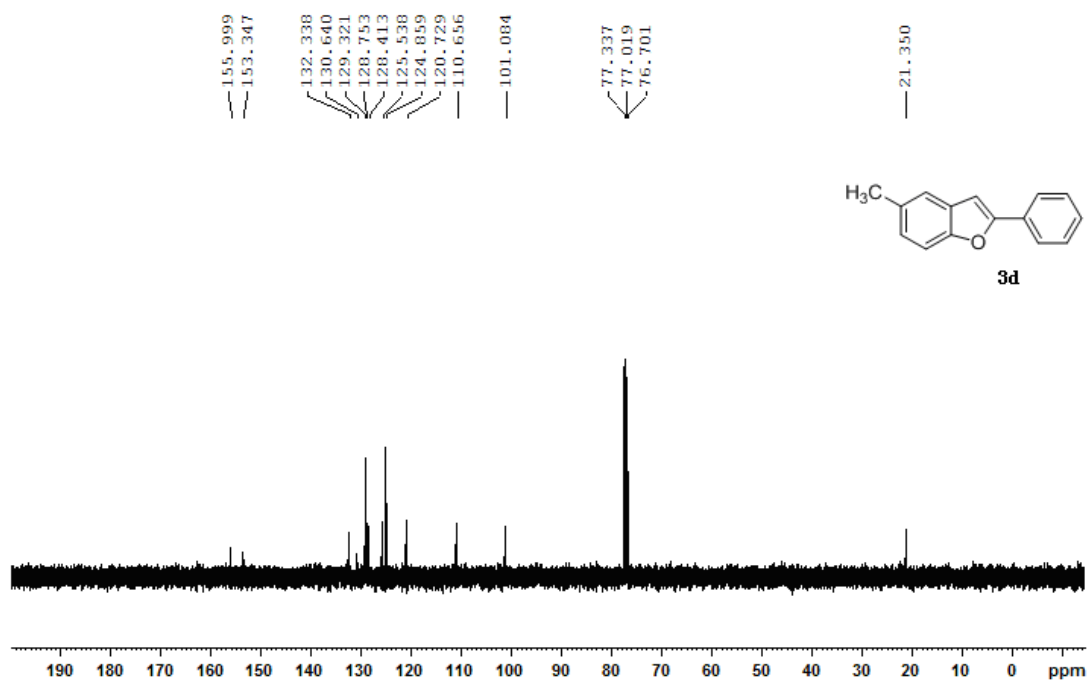
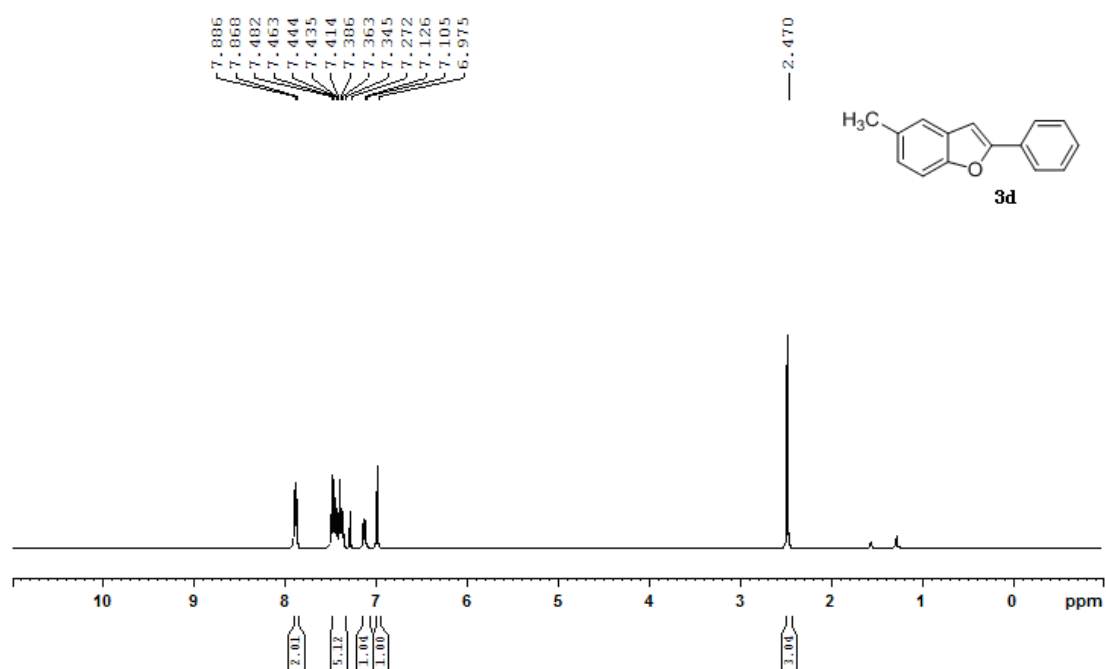


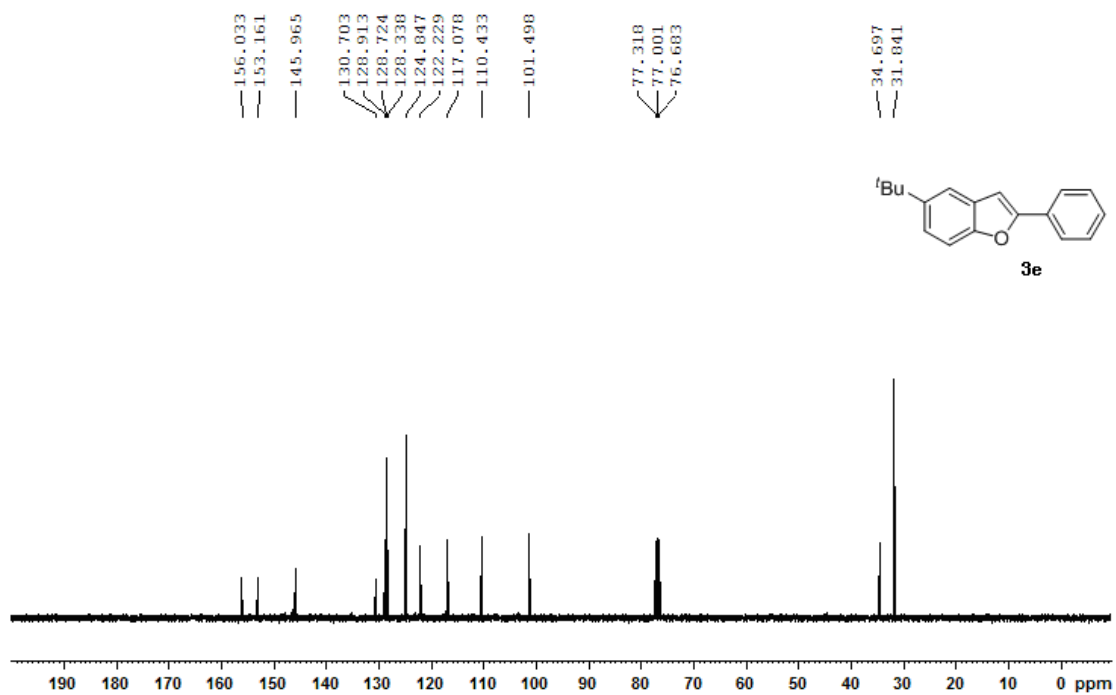
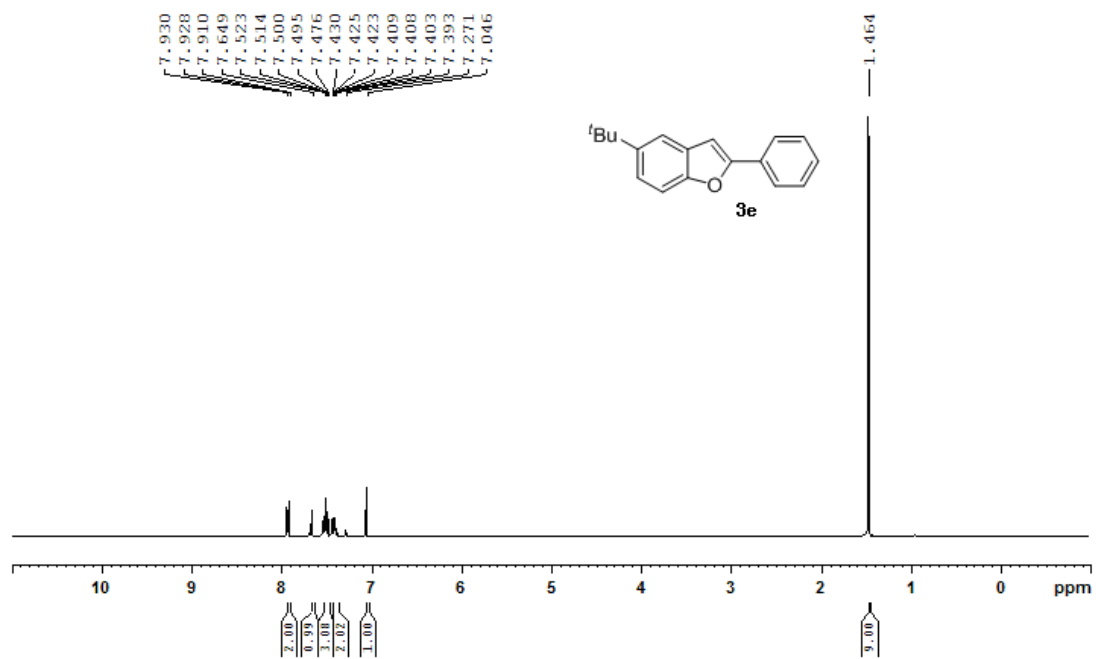
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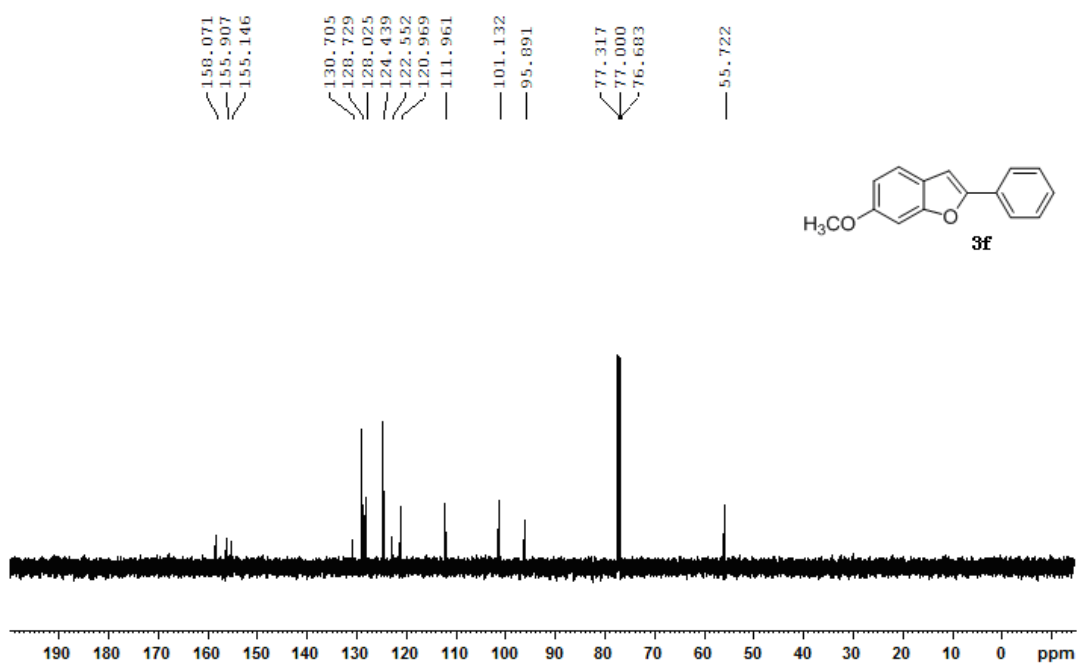
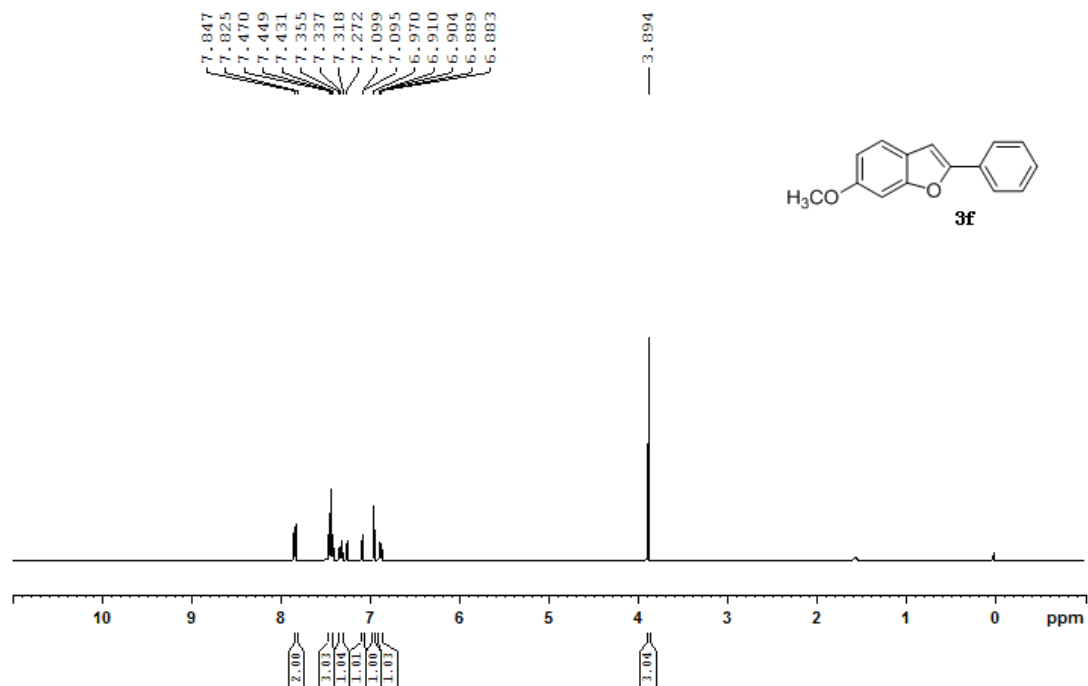
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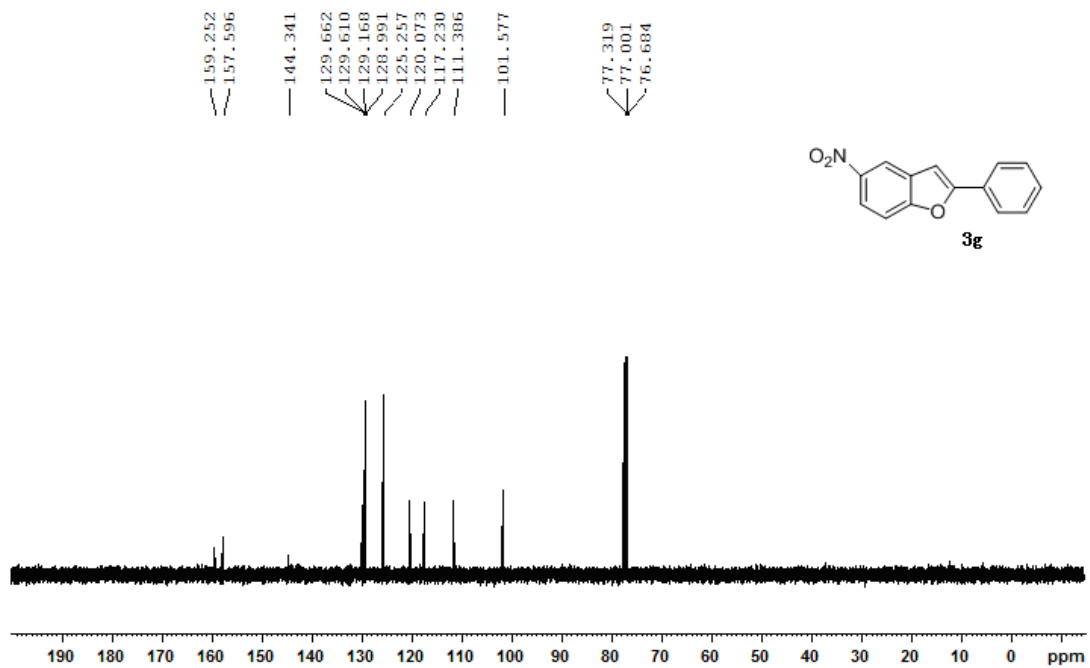
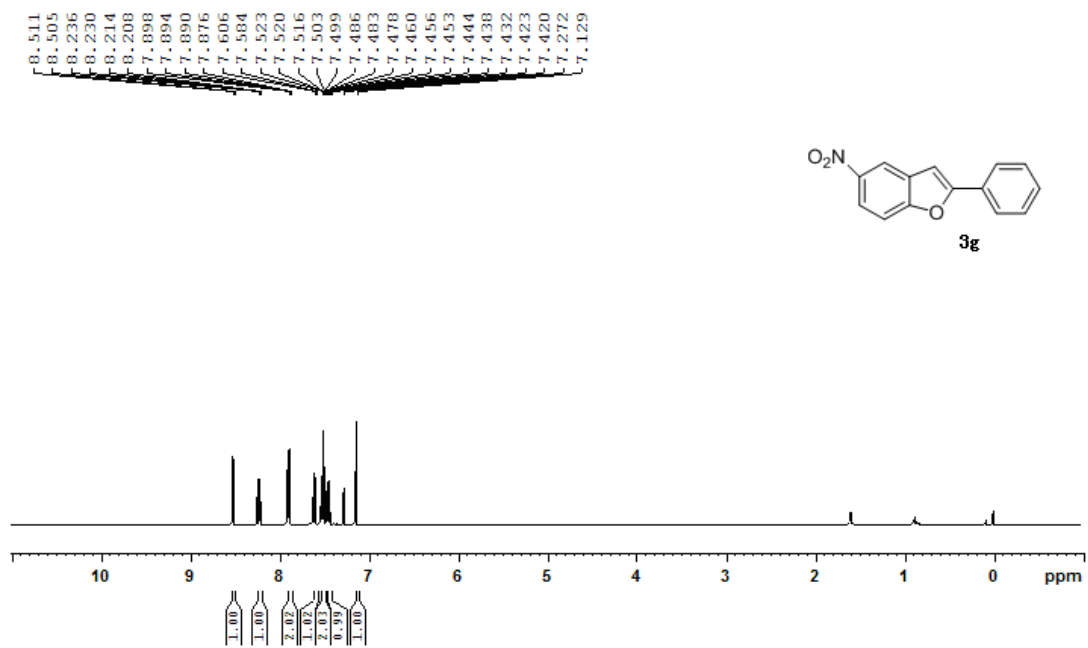


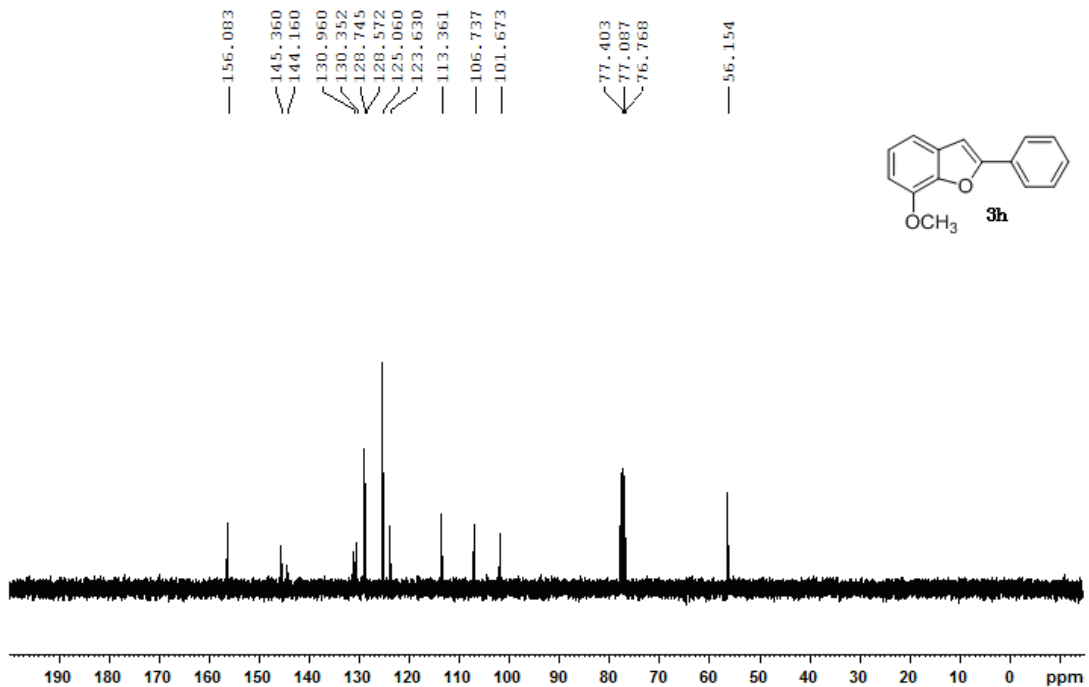
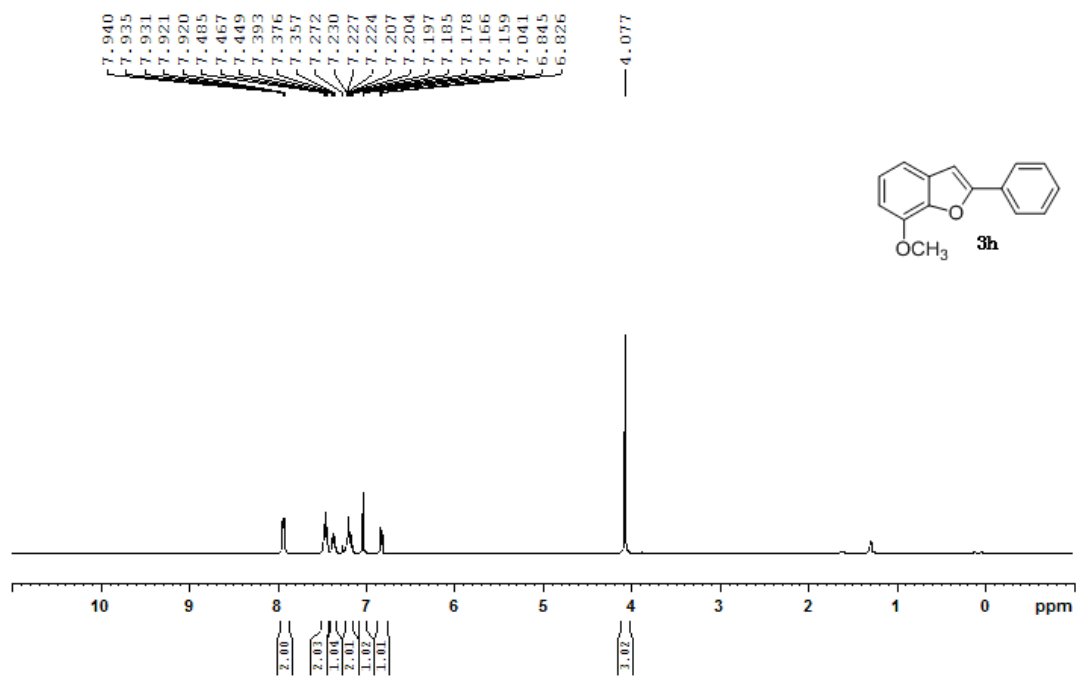


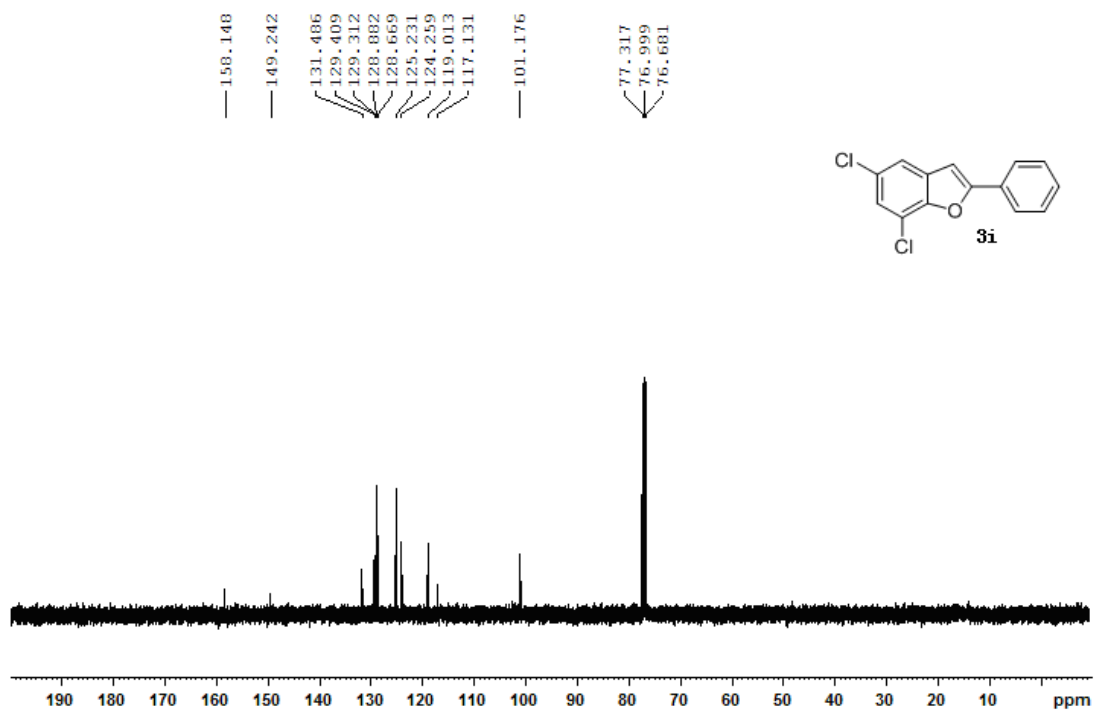
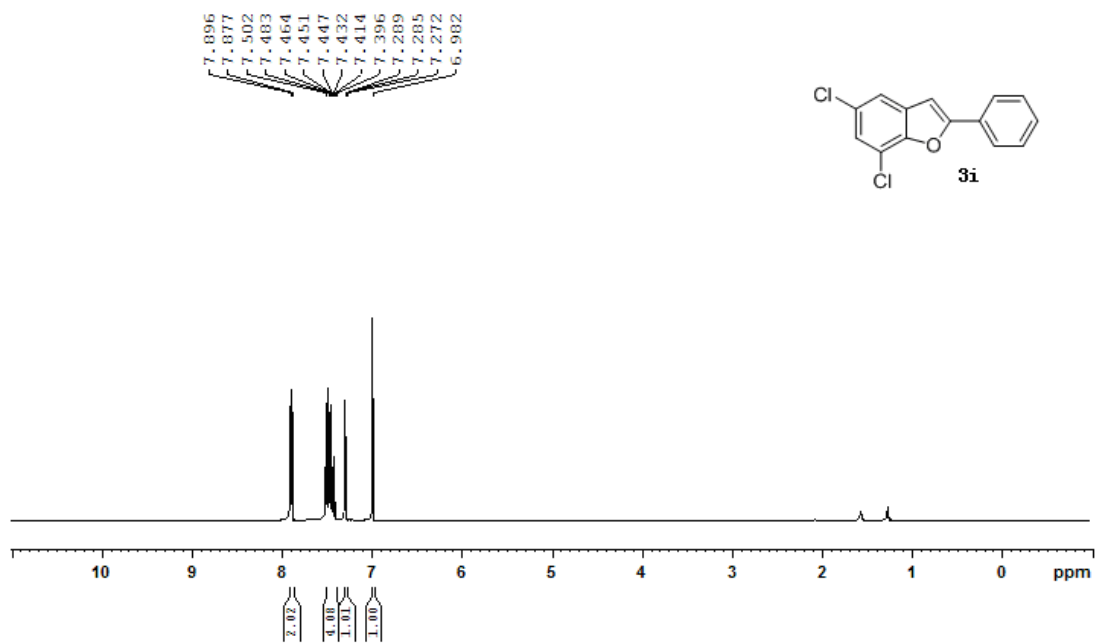


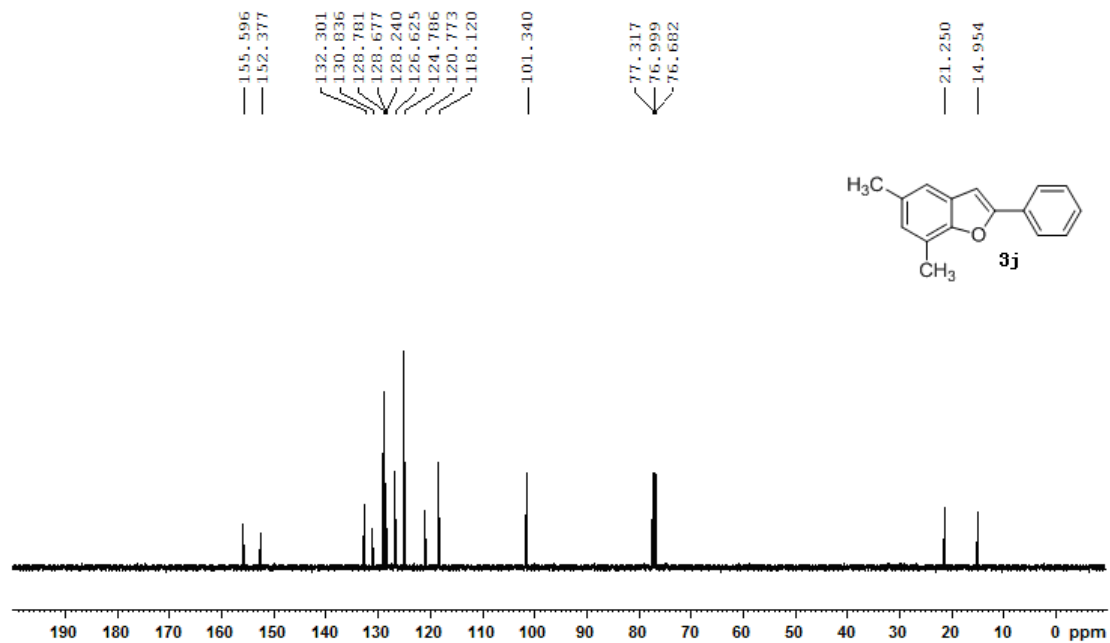
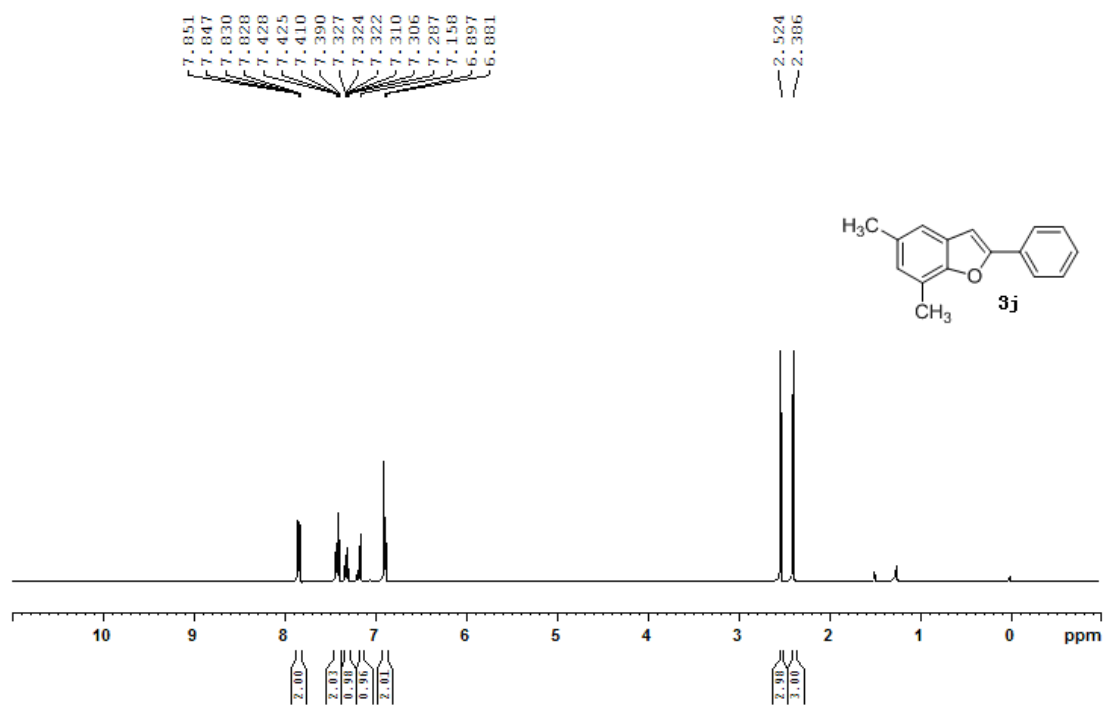


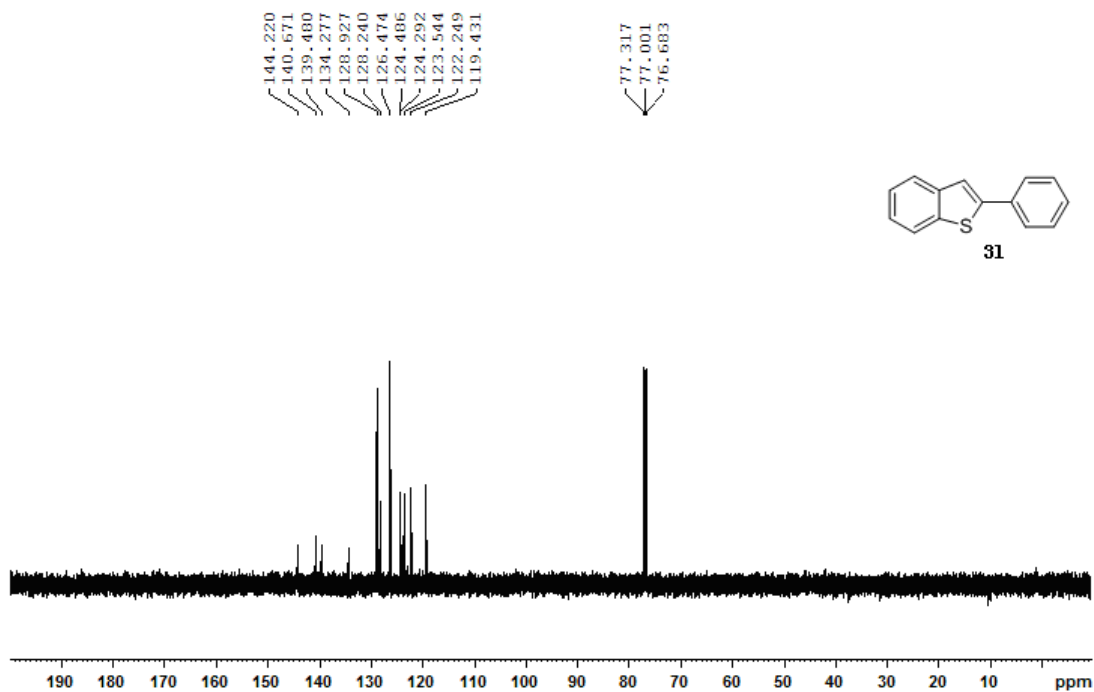
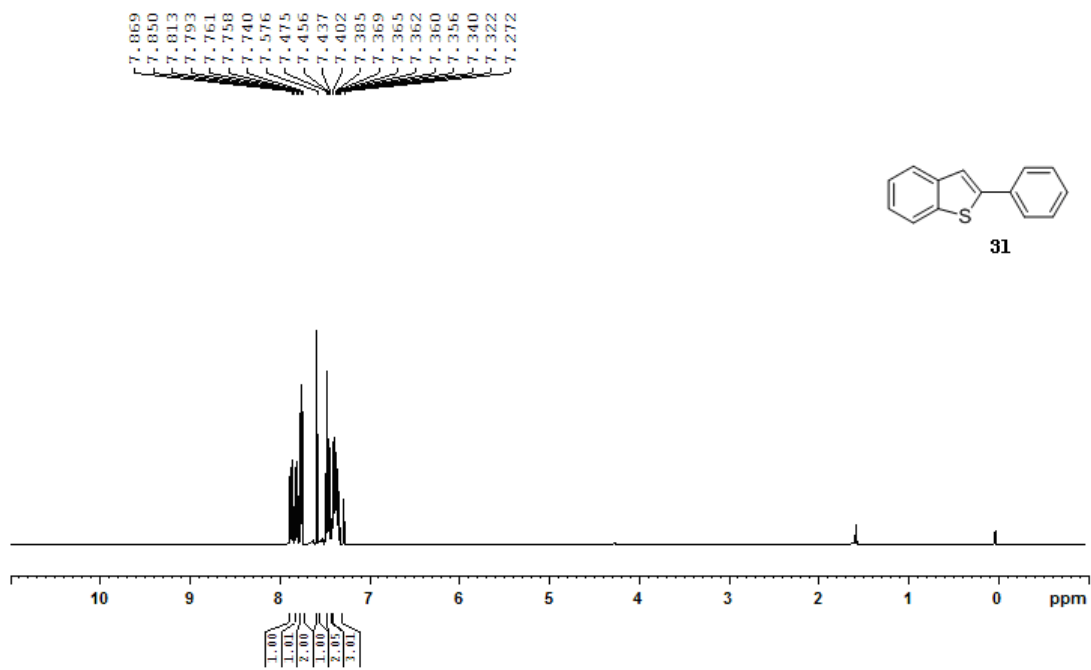


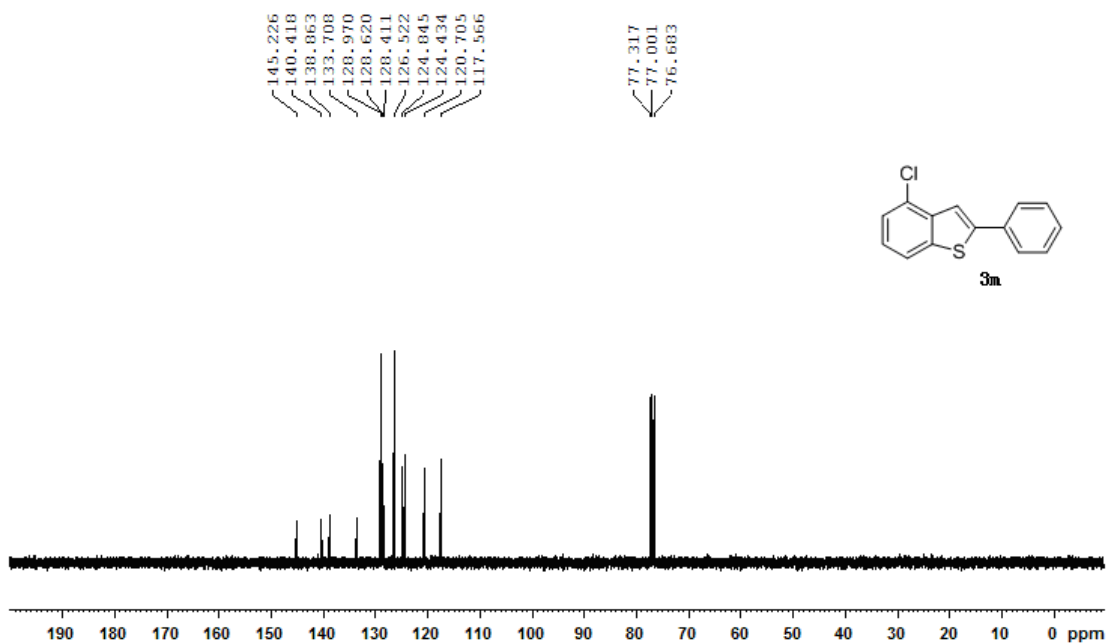
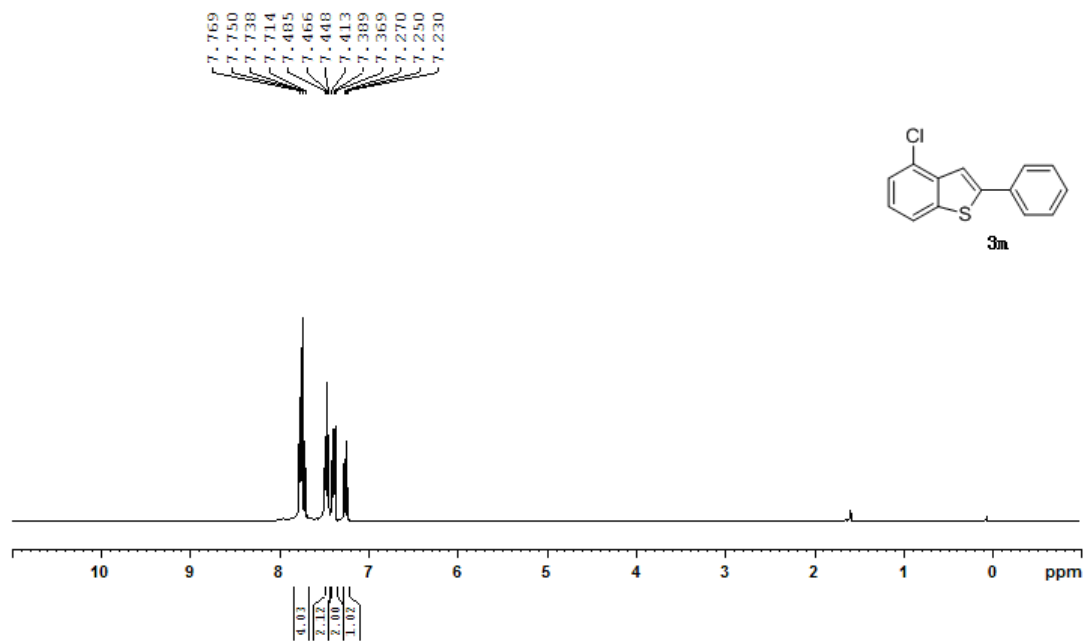


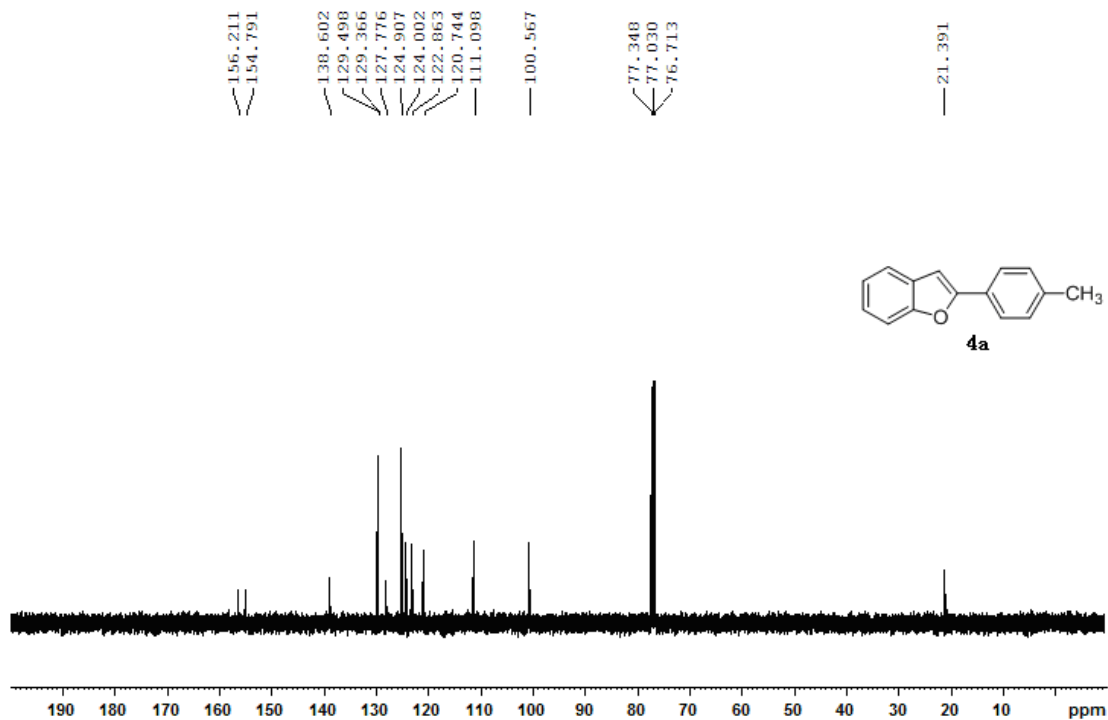
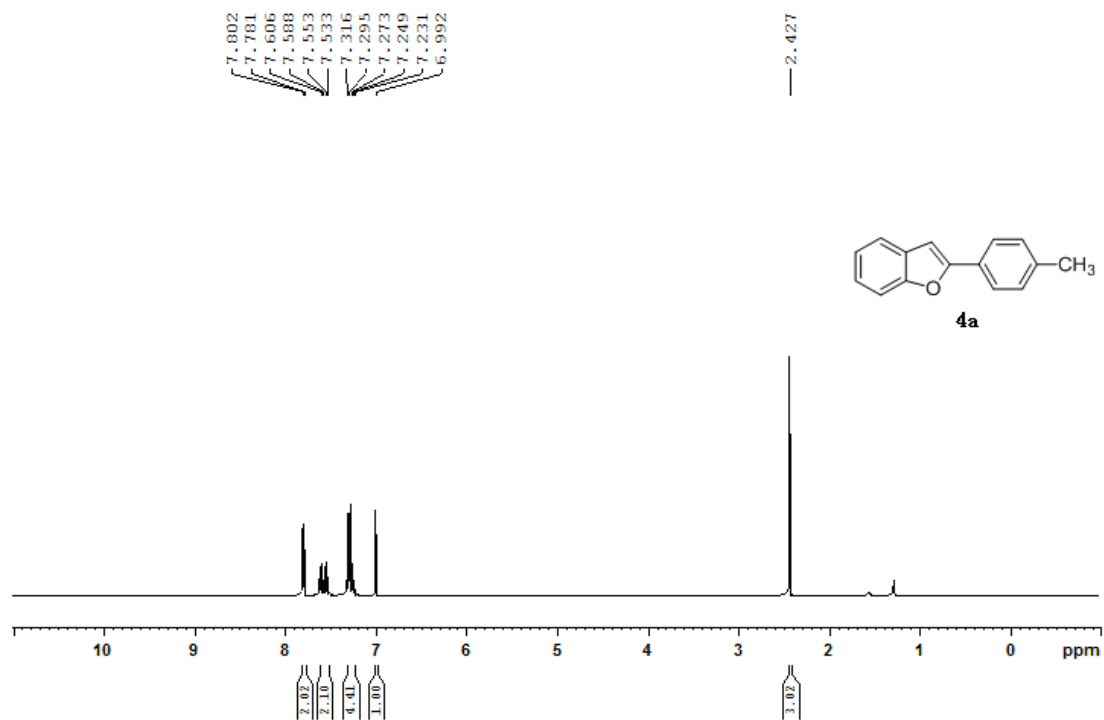


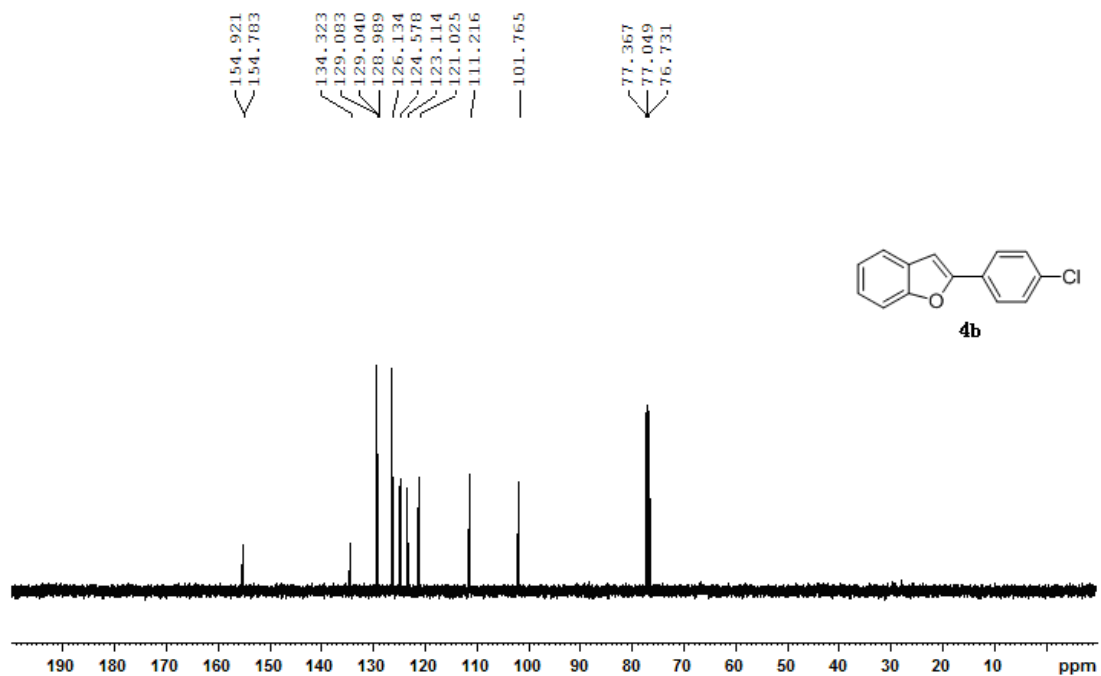
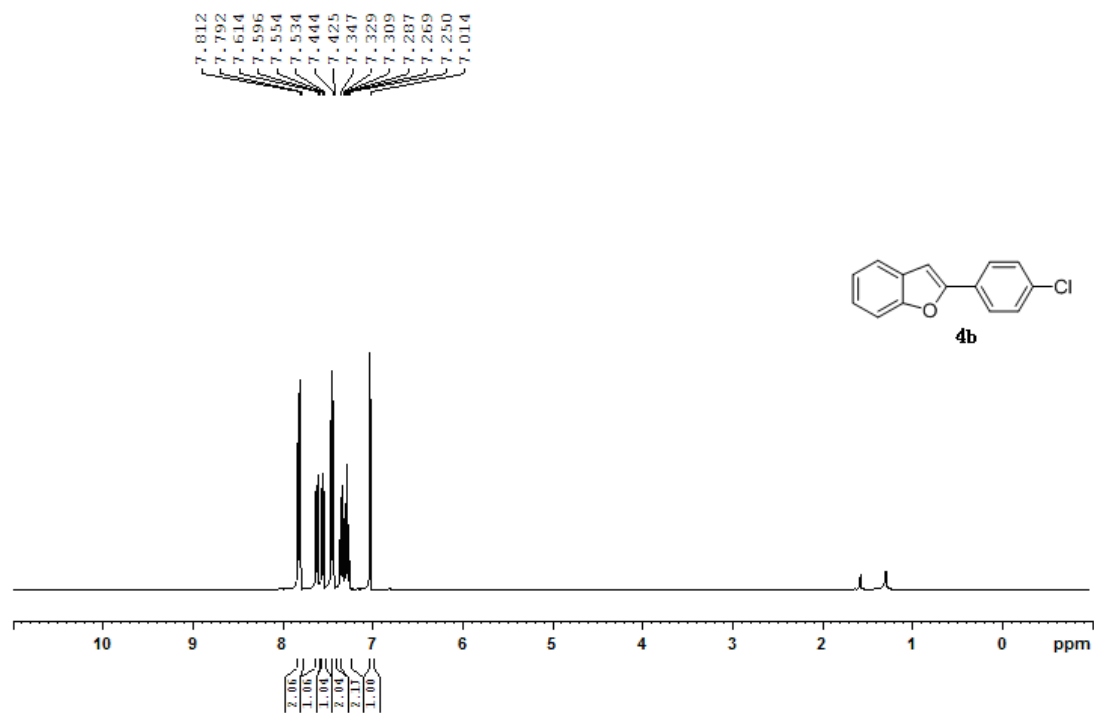


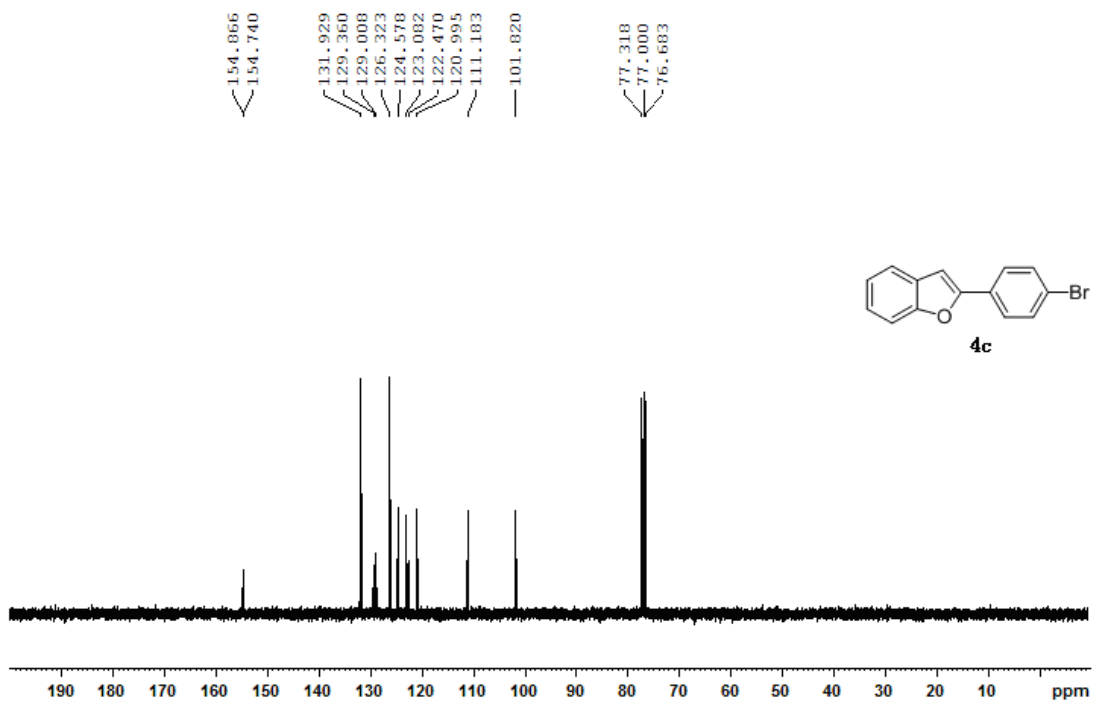
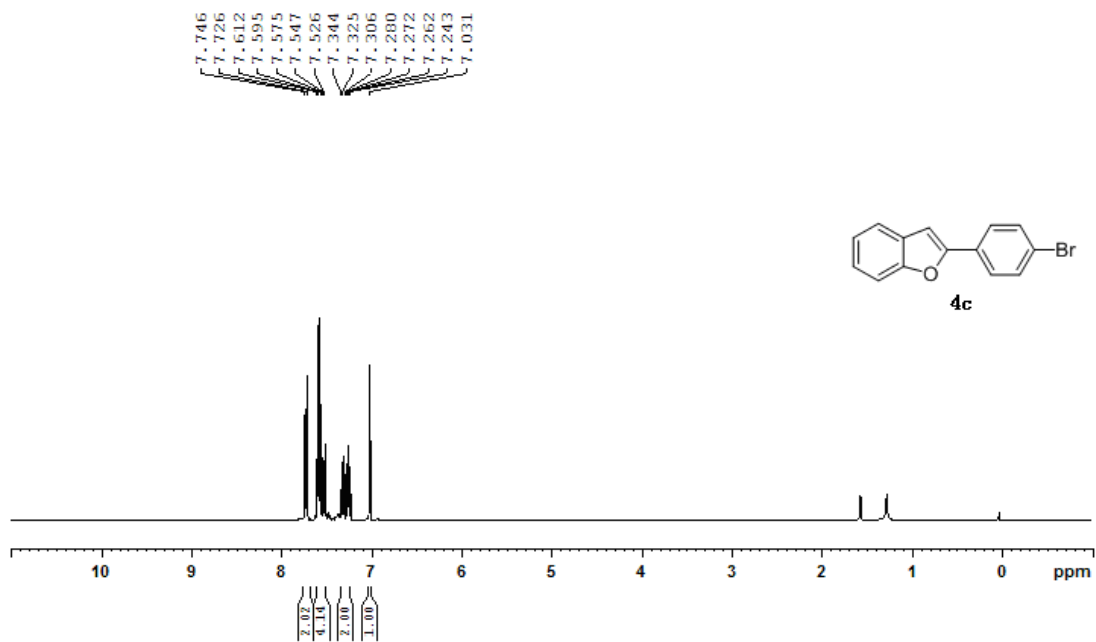


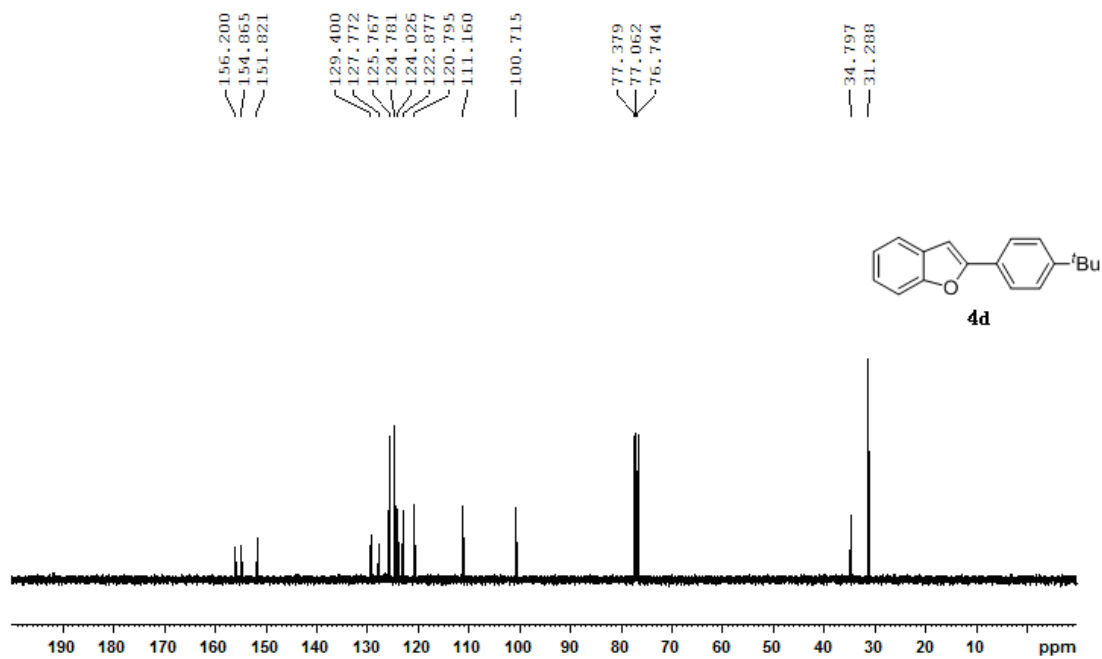
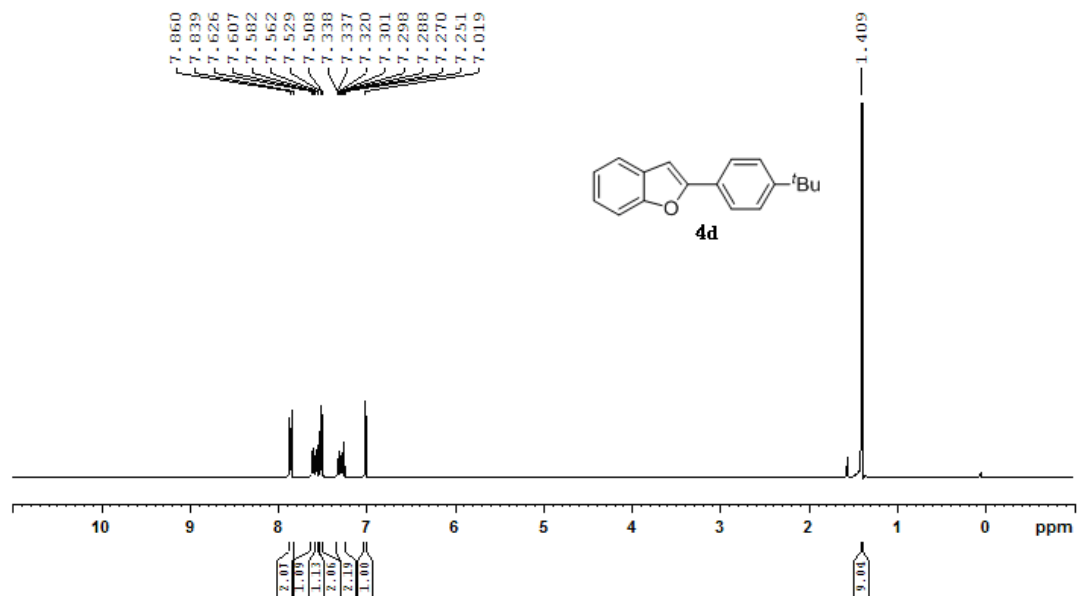


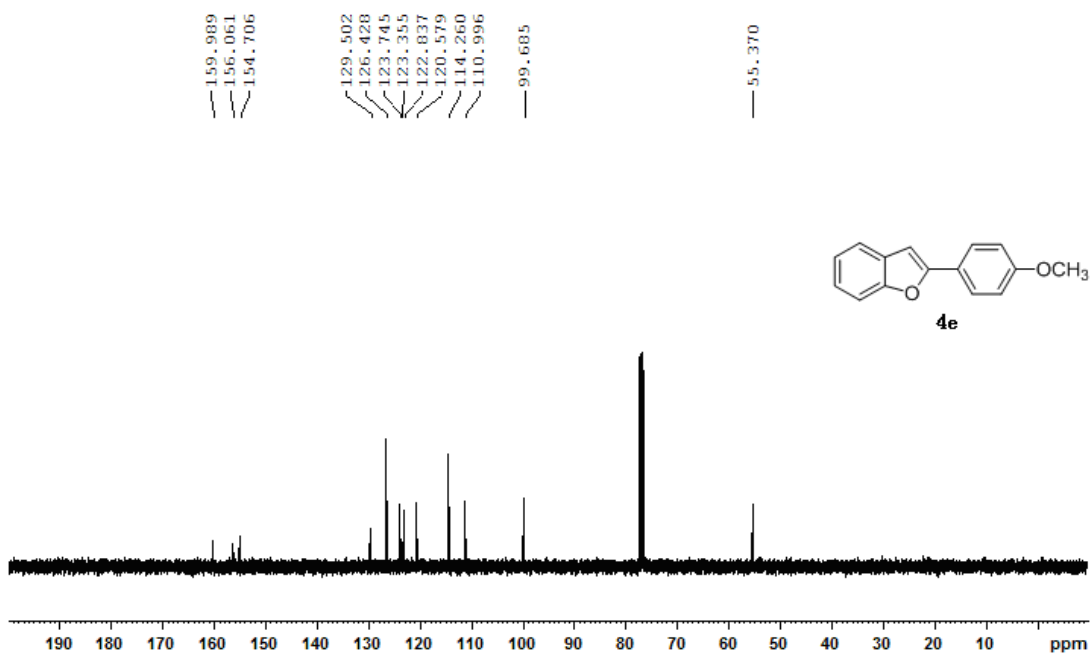
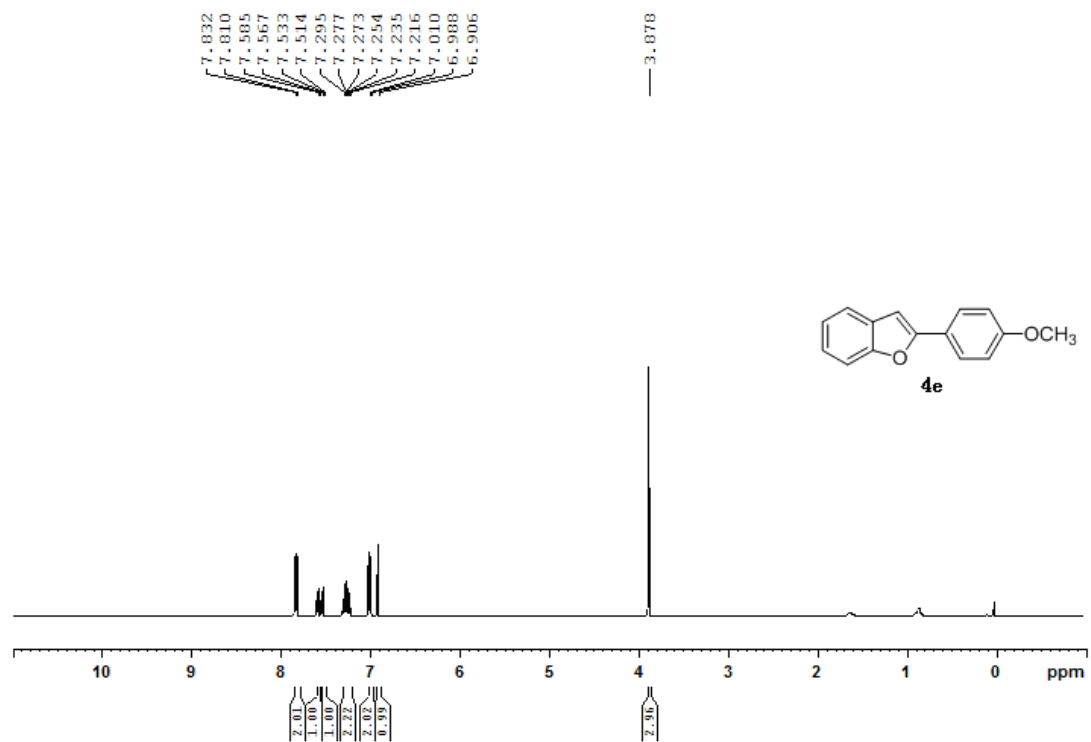


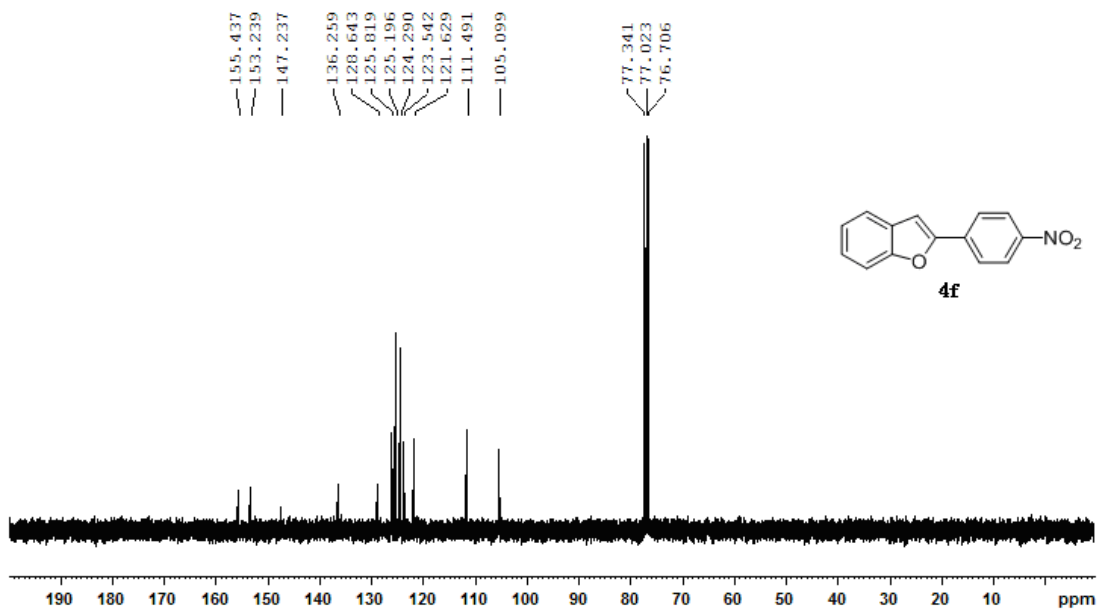
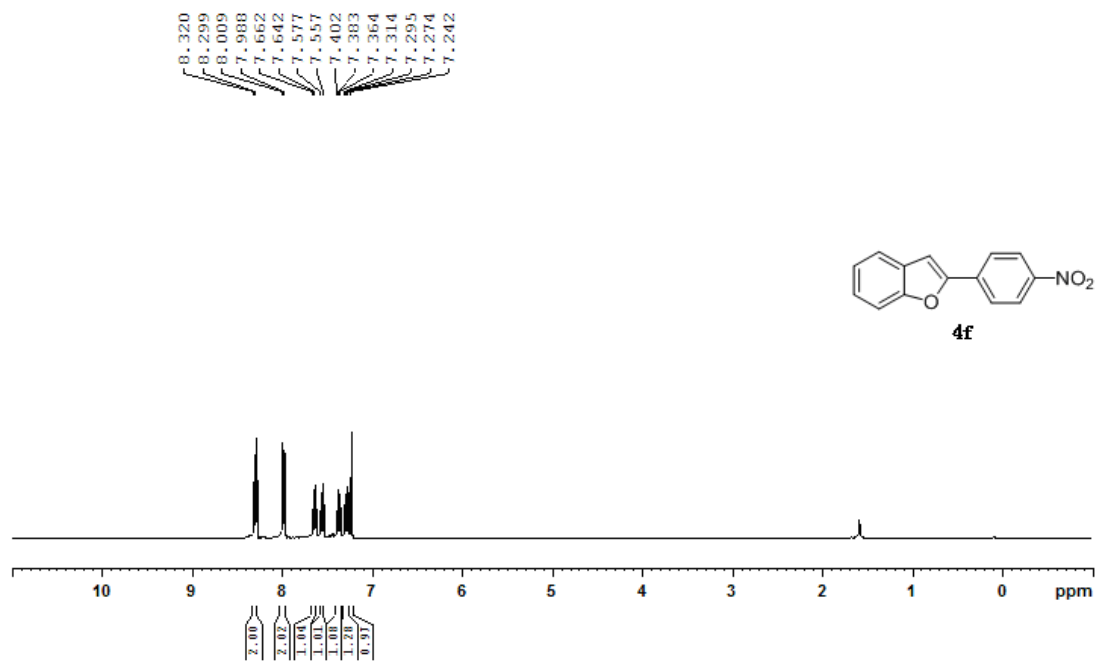


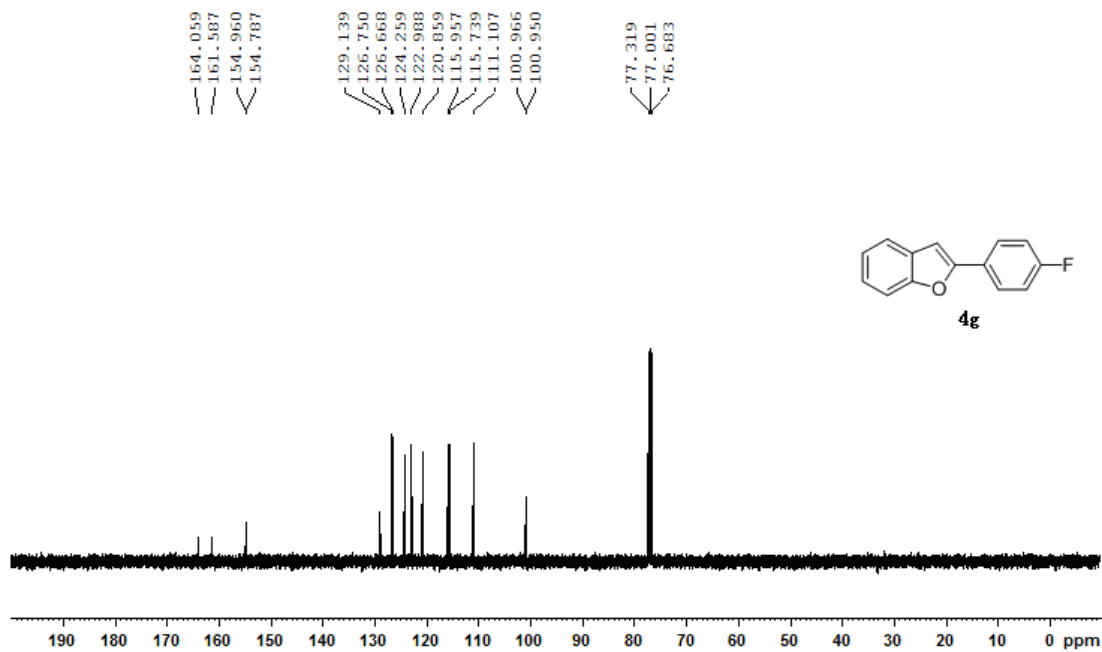
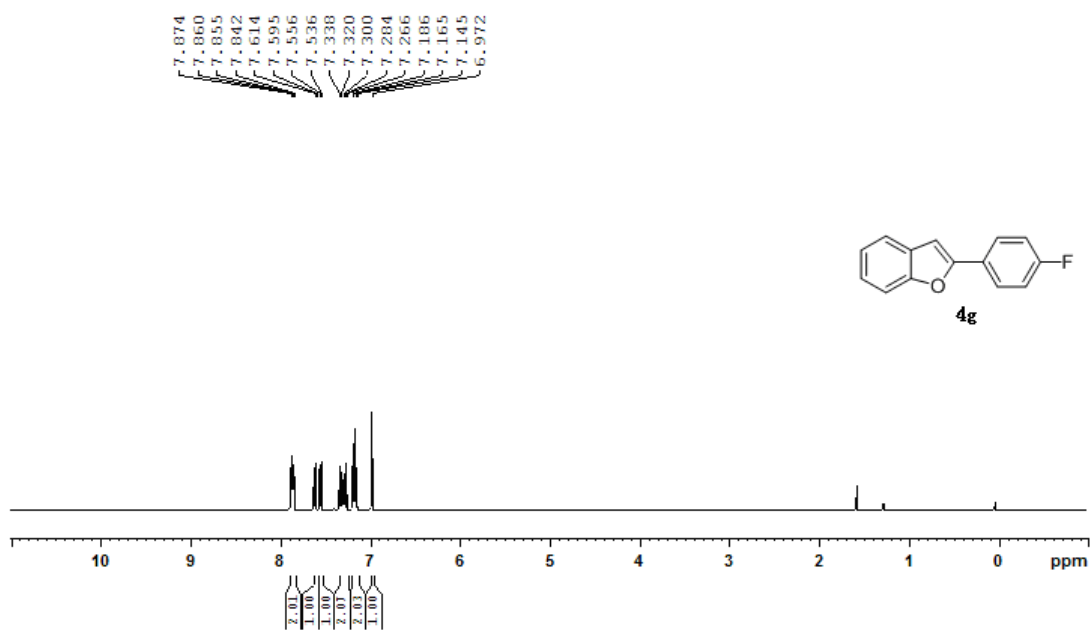


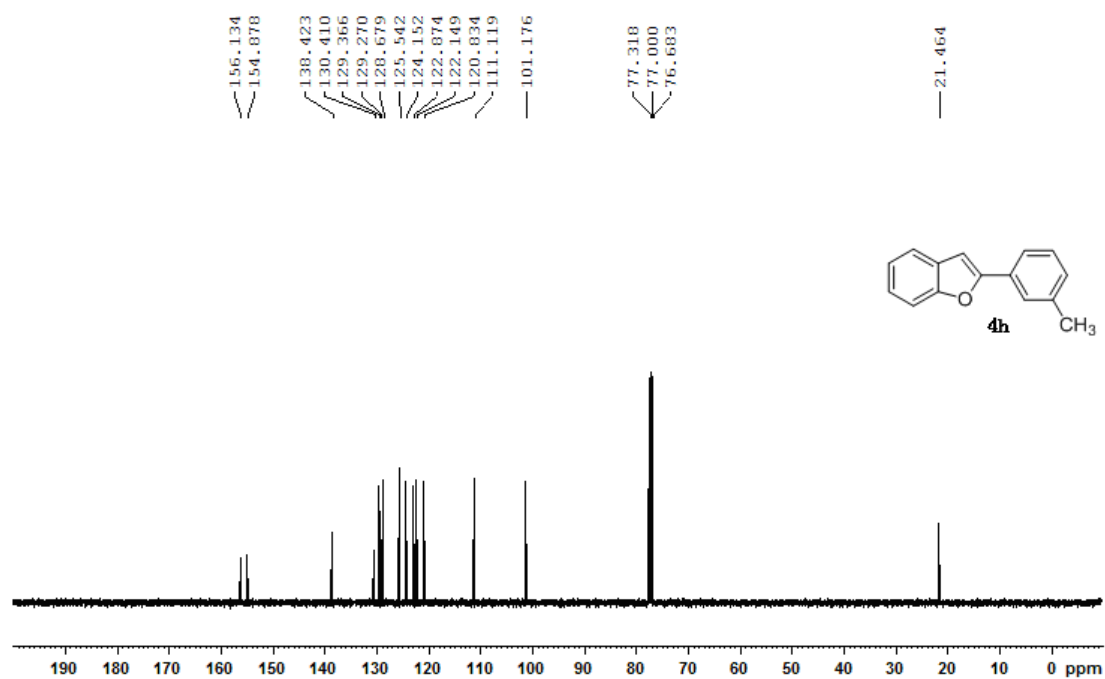
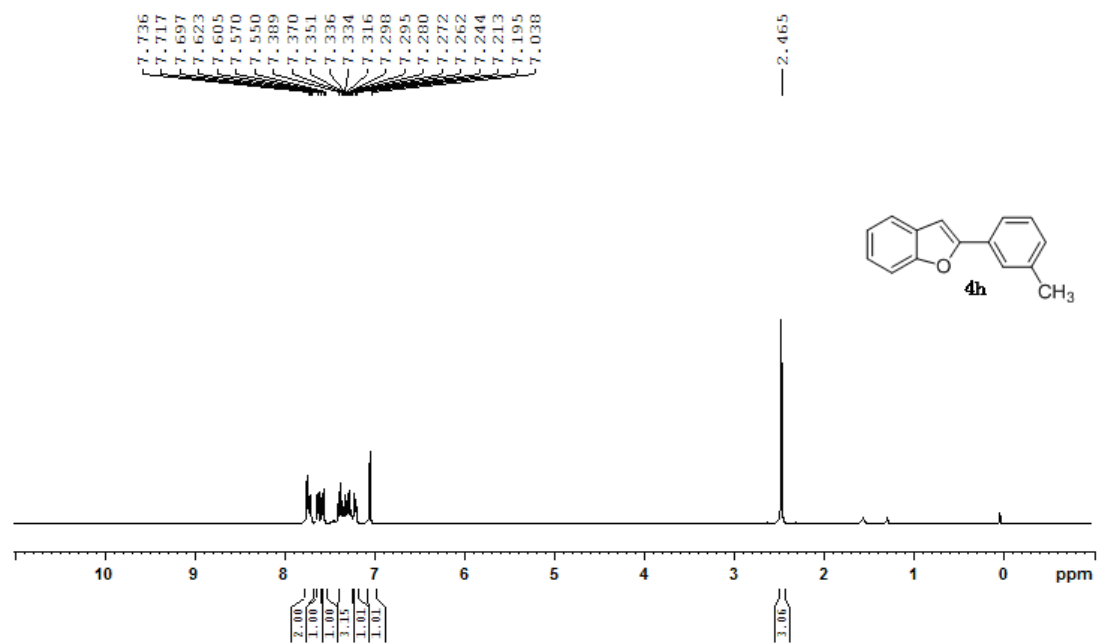


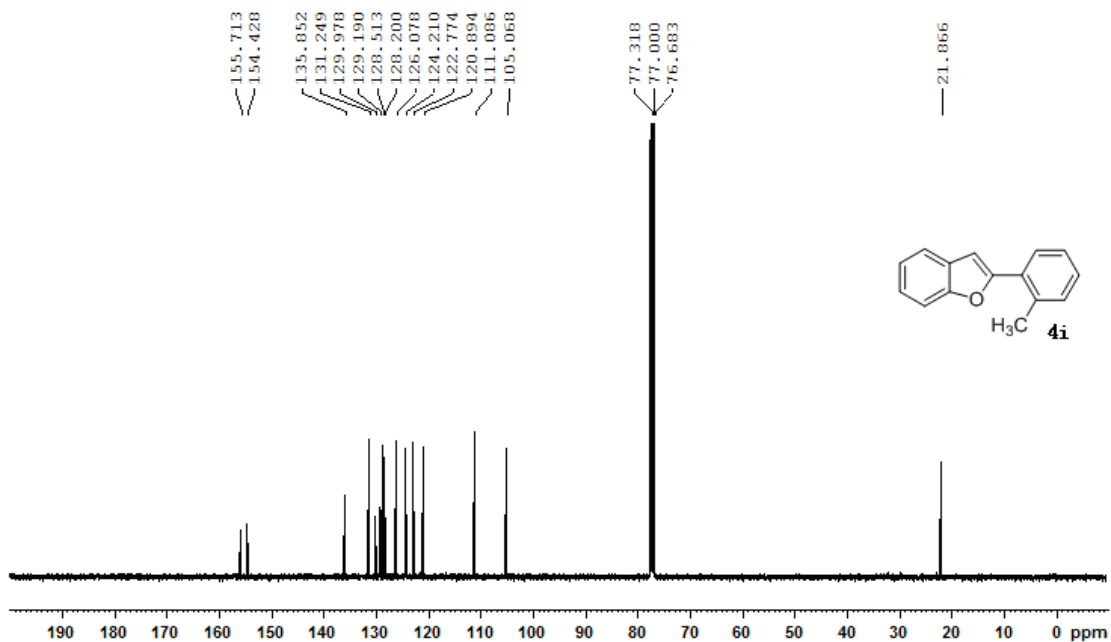
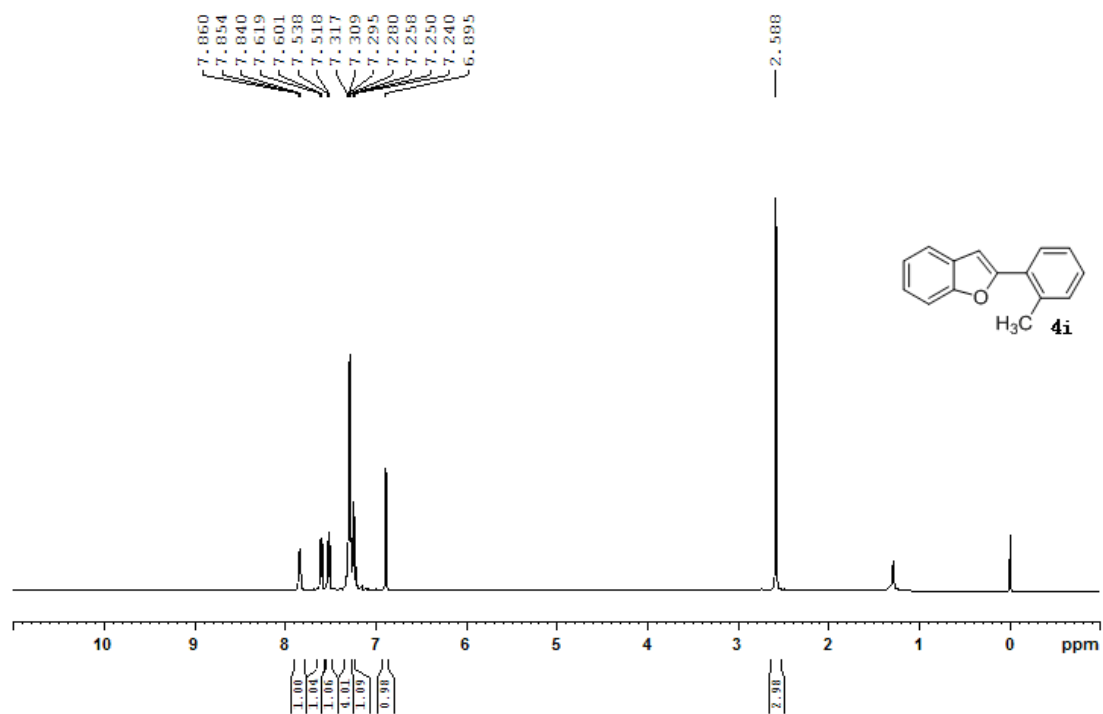












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