Supporting Information for

One Pot Synthesis of Pyrrolo[3,4-c]quinolinone/Pyrrolo[3,4-c]quinoline

Derivatives from 2-Aminoarylacrylates/2-Aminochalcones and

Tosylmethyl isocyanide (TosMIC)

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Experimental Section

I. General

Melting points were recorded on an Electrothermal digital melting point apparatus and were uncorrected. IR spectra were recorded on a Varian FT-1000 spectrophotometer using KBr optics. 1 H NMR and 13 C NMR spectra were recorded on a BRUKER 400 MHz (1 H NMR) and 100 MHz (13 C NMR) spectrumeter using DMSO- d_6 as solvent and TMS as internal standard. High resolution mass spectra were obtained using WATERS instrument with CI- source.

II. Preparation of Substrates

Substrates 1 were prepared according to the procedures in references 1.

Substrates 4 were prepared according to the procedures in references 2, and 3

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- 3. Diedrich, C. L.; Haase, D.; Saak, W.; Christoffers, J. Eur. J. Org. Chem. 2008, 1811–1816.

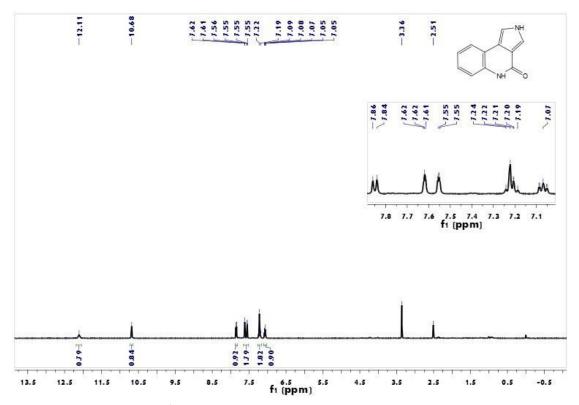
III. Synthetic procedures and analytical data of compounds

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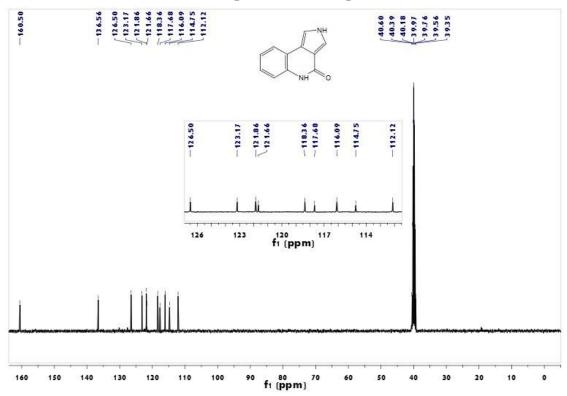
Typical synthetic procedure: To a solution of (*E*)-methyl-**3-(2-aminopheny-l**)acrylate **1a** (0.3 mmol, 53 mg) and TosMIC **2a** (0.36 mmol, 70 mg) in THF (2 mL) was added *t*BuOK (0.6 mmol, 67 mg) and stirred at 25 °C monitored by TLC. After **2a** disappeared, the resulting mixture was diluted with 10 mL of ethyl acetate and washed with 10 mL of brine. The aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate (10 mL x 2). The organic layer was combined and dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated. Then, the crude mixture was added 2.5 mL MeOH and stirred for 9h at 60 °C monitored by TLC. The resulting mixture was diluted with 10 mL of ethyl acetate and washed with 10 mL of brine. The aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate (10 mL x 2). The organic layer was combined and dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated. Purification of the crude product with flash column chromatography gave **3a** in 62% yield as a yellow solid.

Typical synthetic procedure: To a solution of (*E*)-4-(2-aminophenyl)but-3-en-2-one **4a** (0.3 mmol, 53 mg) and TosMIC **2a** (0.36 mmol, 70 mg) in THF (2 mL) at 25 °C was added *t*BuOK (0.6 mmol, 67 mg). After stirred for 2h, the resulting mixture was concentrated to remove the solvent. The crude mixture was added 2.5 mL MeOH and stirred for 9h at 60 °C, the resulting mixture was diluted with 10 mL of ethyl acetate and washed with 10 mL of brine. The aqueous layer was extracted twice with ethyl acetate (10 mL). The organic layer was combined and dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated. Purification of the crude product with flash column chromatography gave **5a** in 79 % yield as a yellow solid.

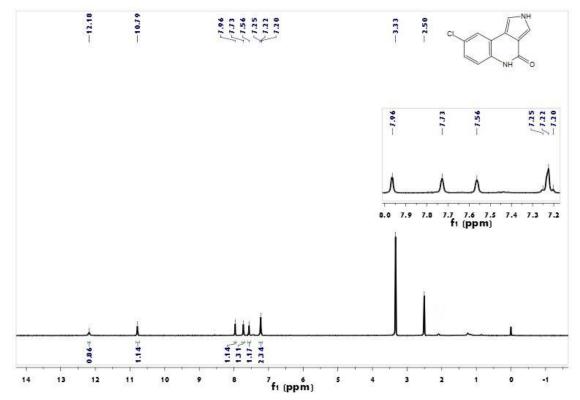
IV. Copies of ¹H and ¹³C NMR Spectra for Compounds



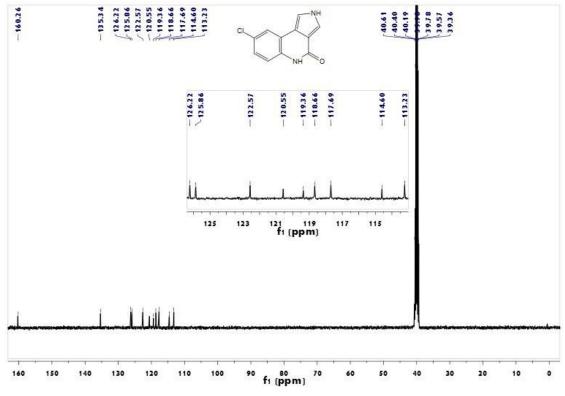
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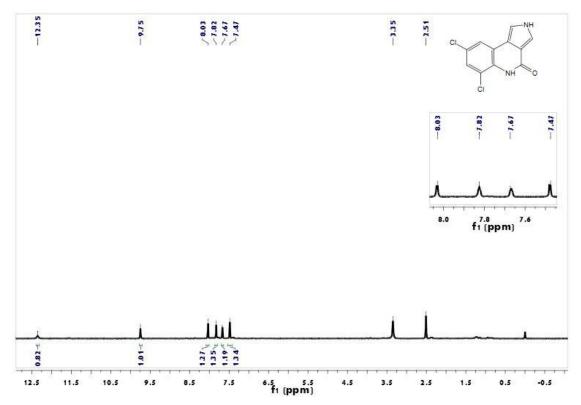
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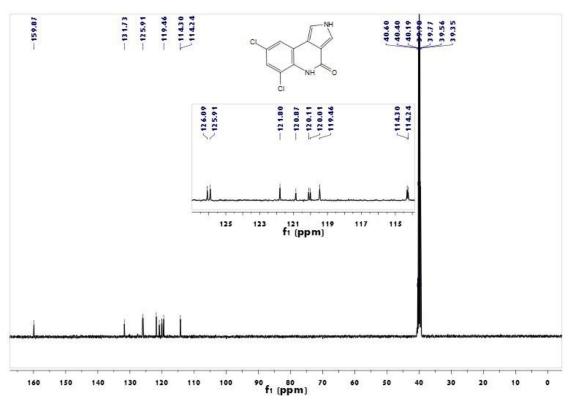
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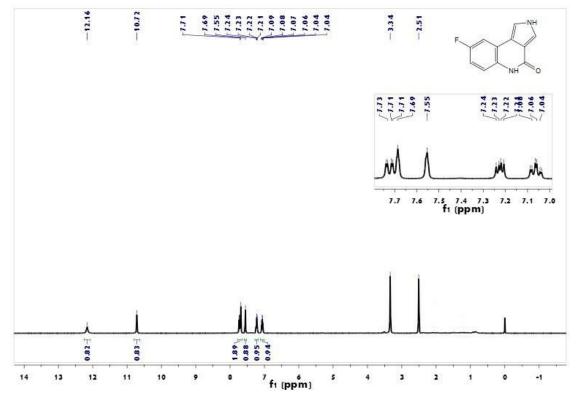
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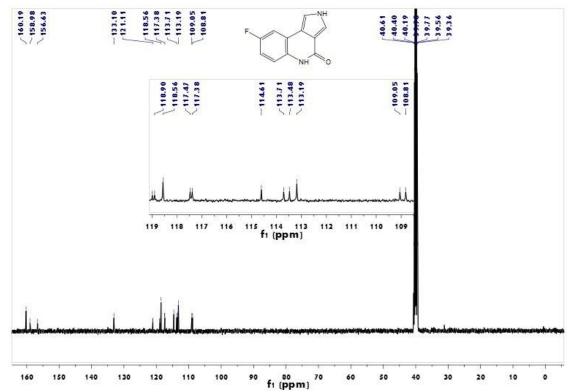
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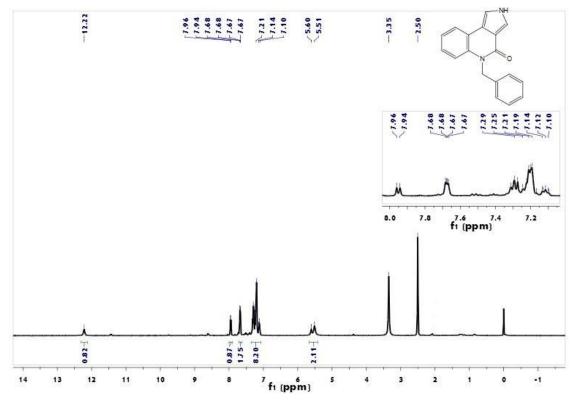
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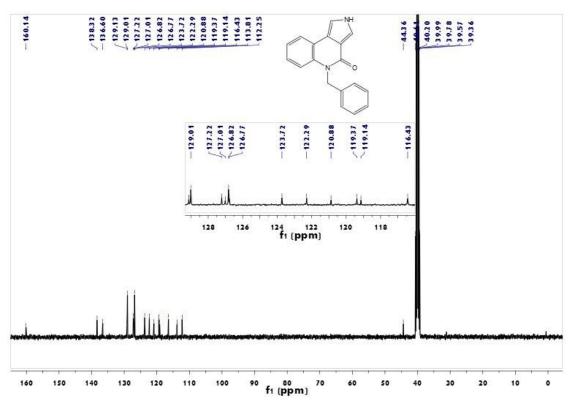
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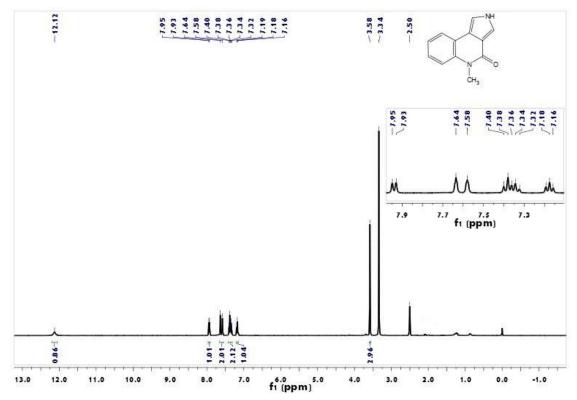
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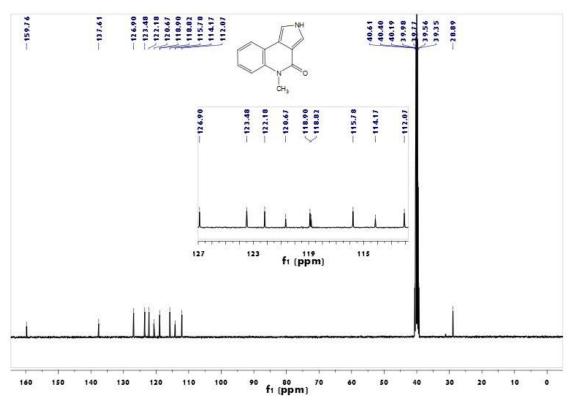
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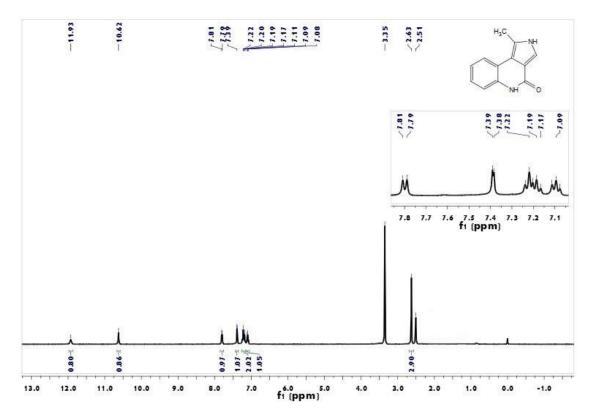
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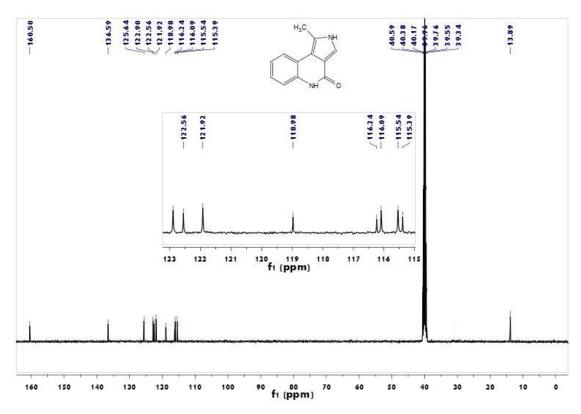
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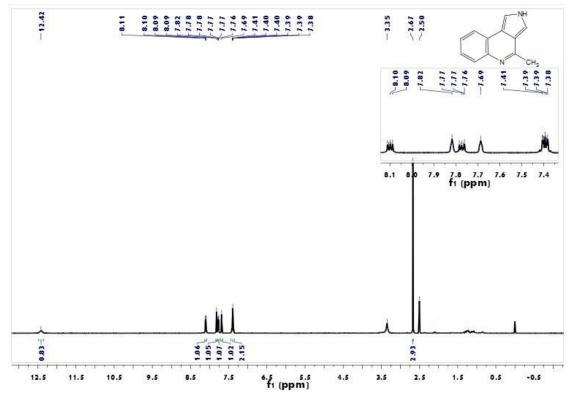
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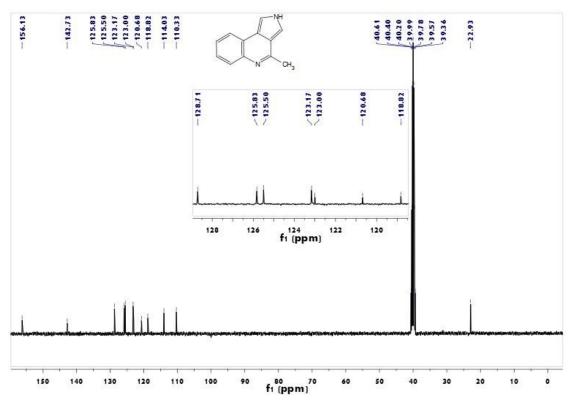
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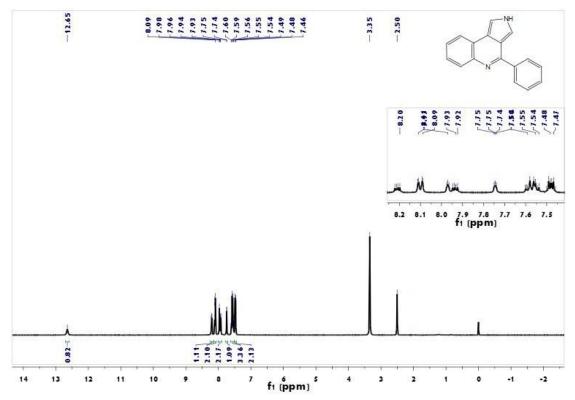
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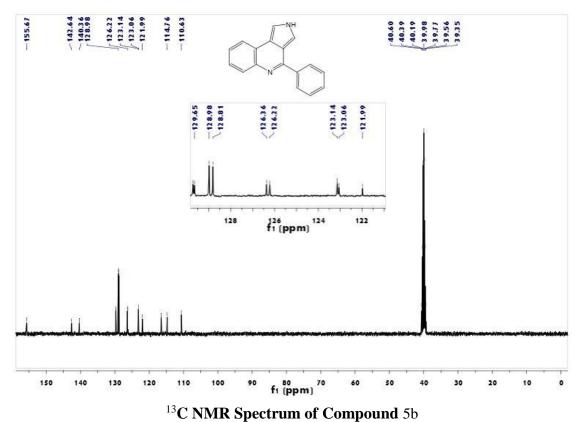
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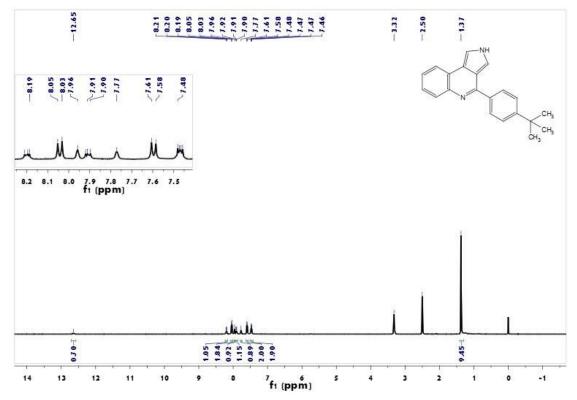


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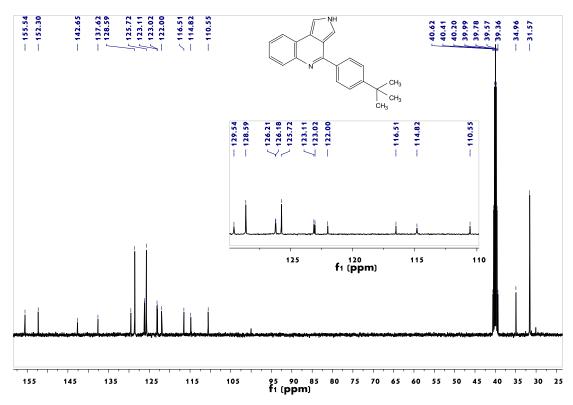


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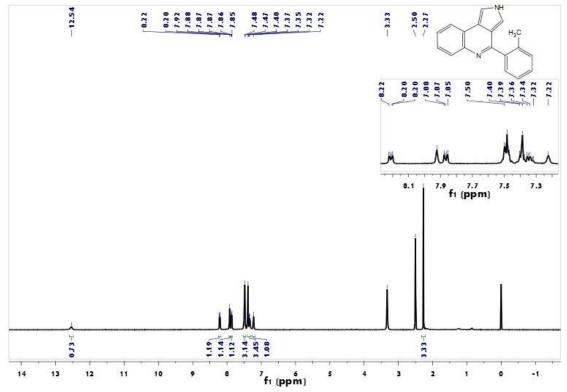




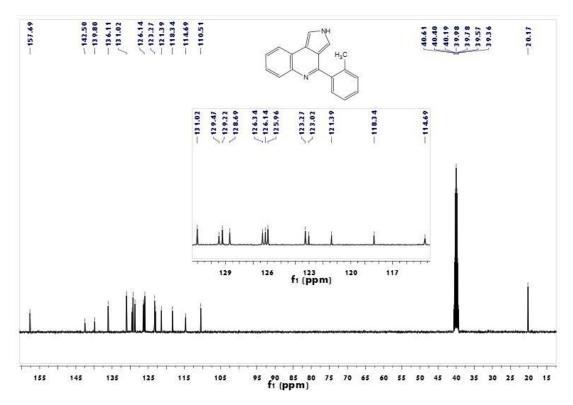
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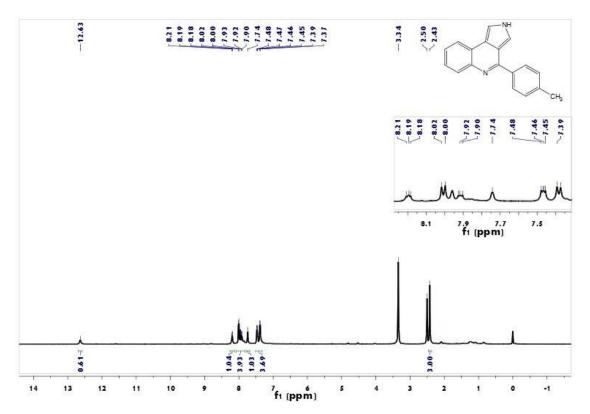
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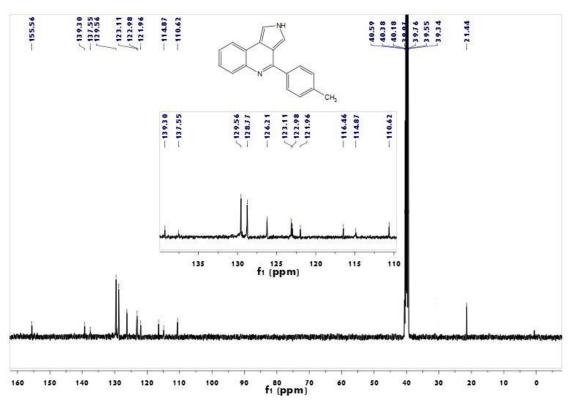
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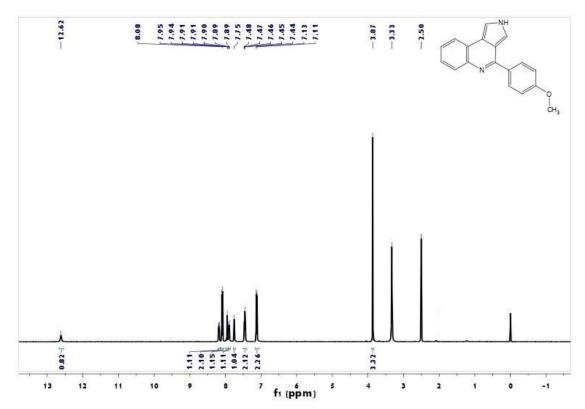
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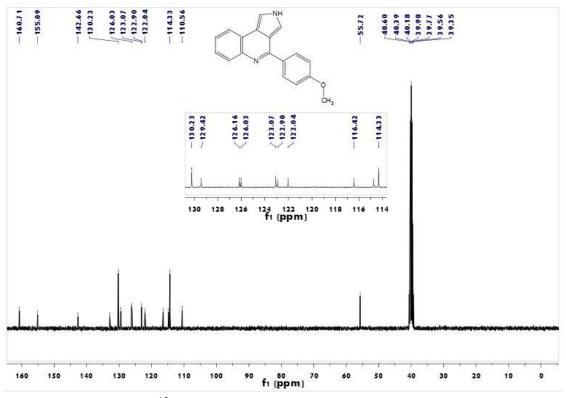
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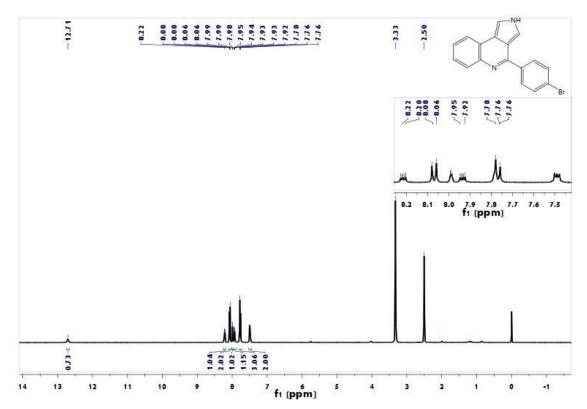
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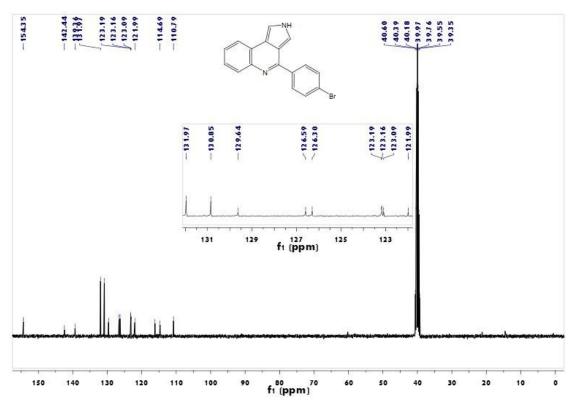
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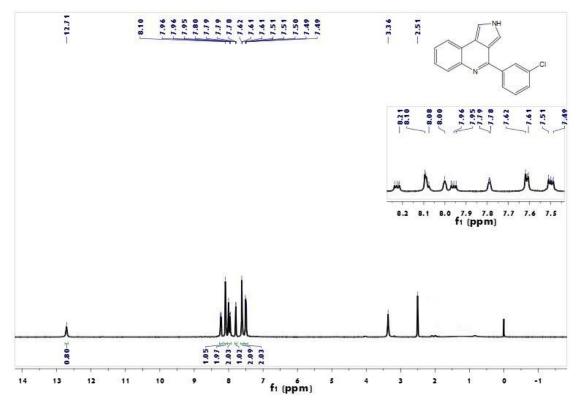
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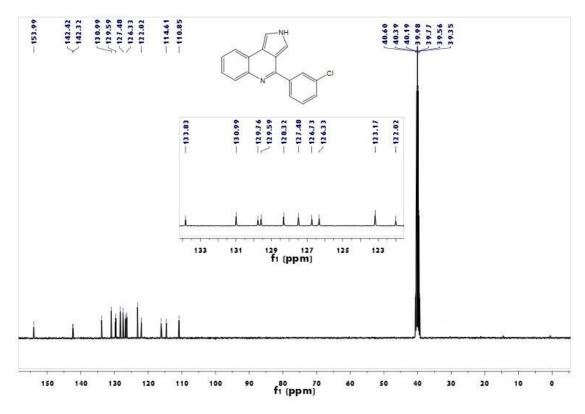
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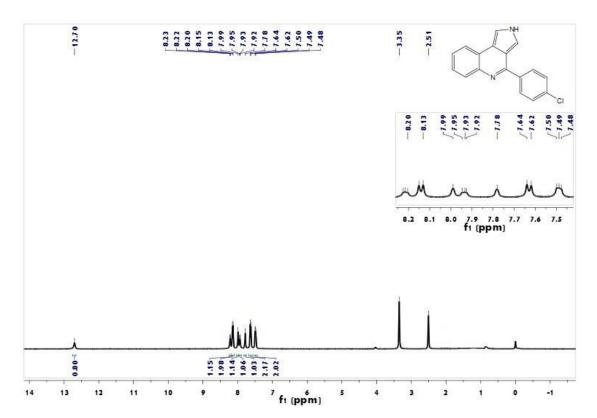
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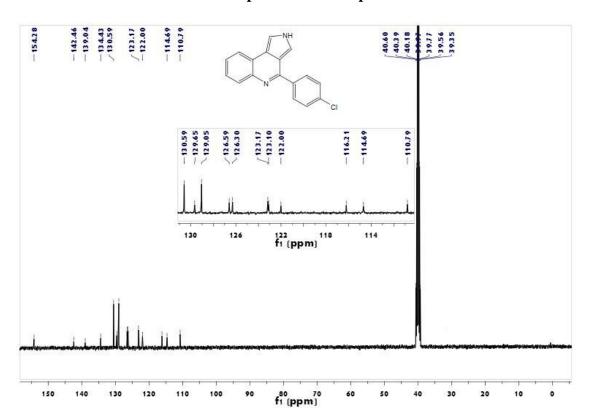
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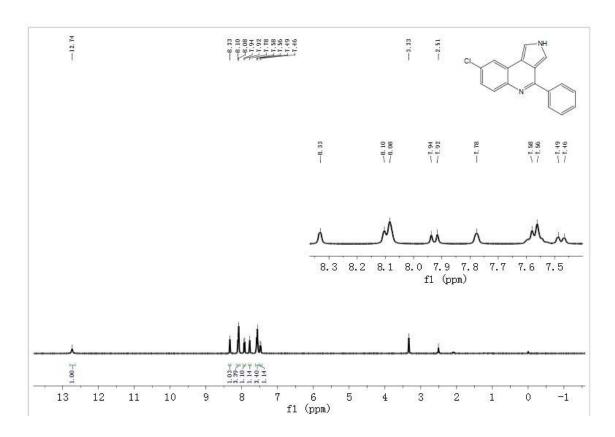
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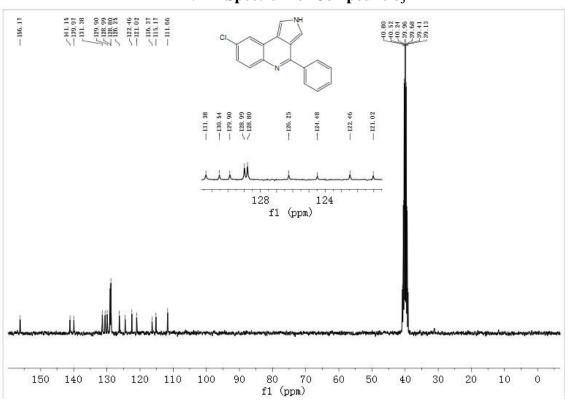
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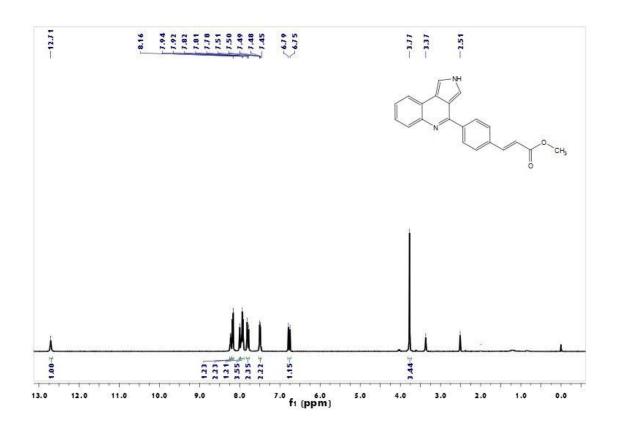
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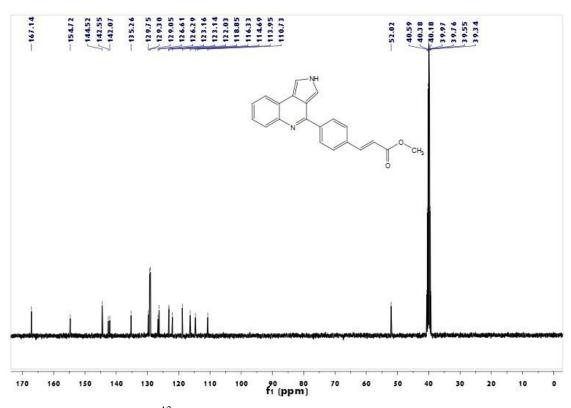
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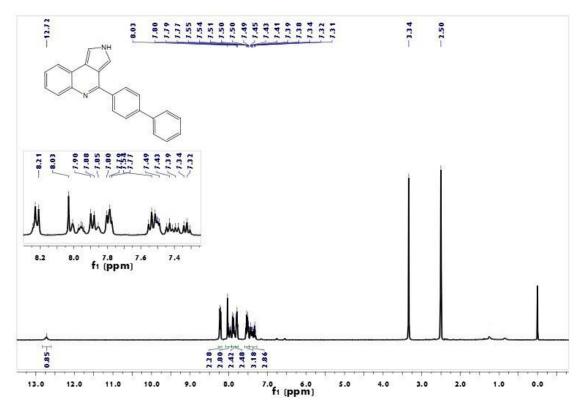
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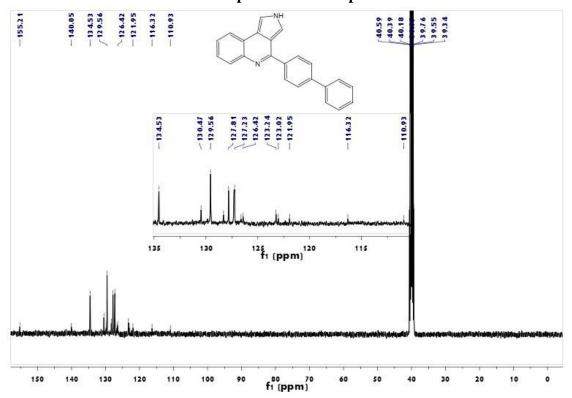
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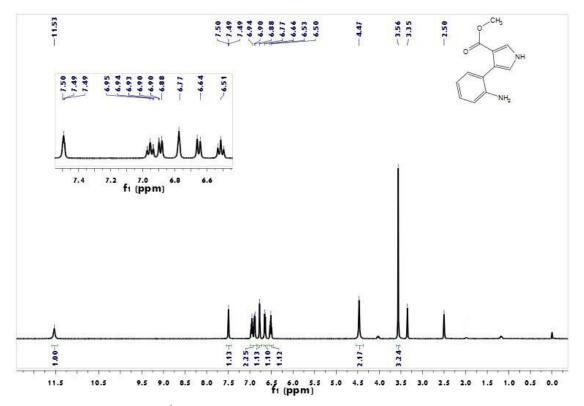
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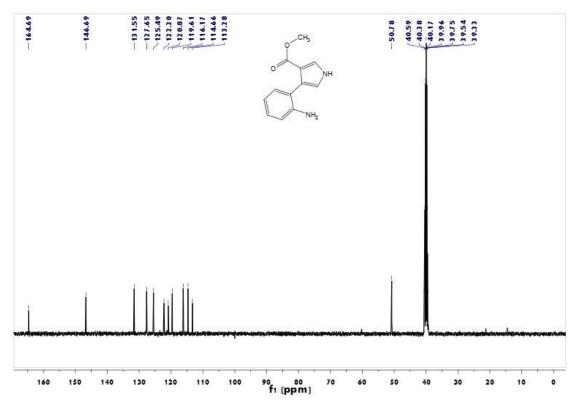
¹H NMR Spectrum of Compound 51



¹³C NMR Spectrum of Compound 51



¹H NMR Spectrum of Compound 6a



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