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Metal-Catalyzed Formation of 1,3-Cyclohexadienes: A Catalyst-Dependent Reaction

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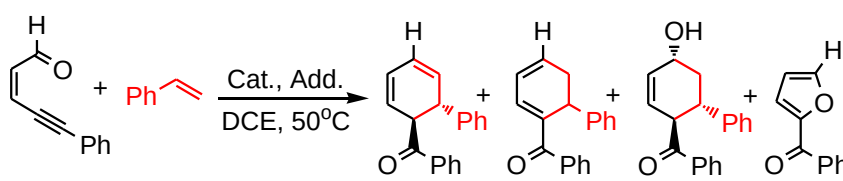
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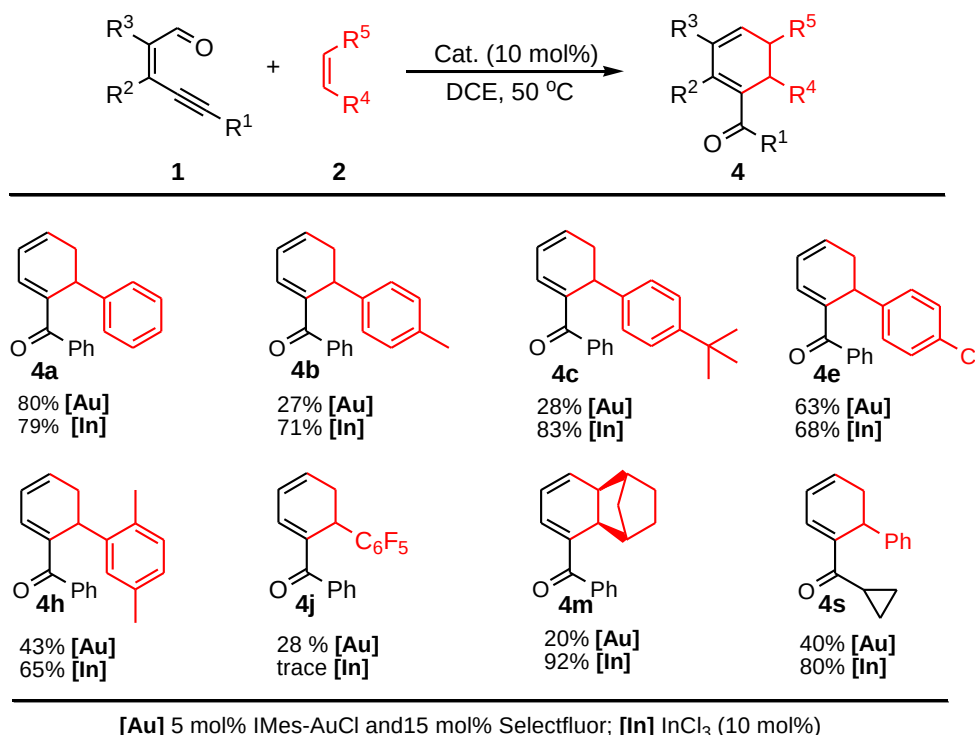
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Table S1. Optimization of Reaction Conditions.^a


Entry	Cat.	Add.	3a	4a	5a	6a	Conv.
1 ^b	Cu(OTf) ₂	-	45%	-	-	-	> 99%
2 ^{c,d}	IMes-AuCl	Selectfluor	-	80%	-	-	> 99%
3	InCl ₃	-	-	79%	-	-	> 99%
4	ZnI ₂	-	-	-	64%	-	> 99%
5	AgSbF ₆	-	-	-	74%	-	> 99%
6	AgF	-	-	-	58%	-	> 99%
7	CuCl ₂ ·2H ₂ O	-	-	-	-	61%	> 99%
8	AgNO ₃	-	-	-	-	67%	> 99%

^a Unless otherwise noted, the reactions were performed in DCE at 50 °C for 24h using 10 mol% catalyst under N₂, **1**/**2** = 1:3. [**1**] = 0.25 M; The yield refers to isolated yield. IMes: 1,3-dimesityl-imidazol-2-ylidene; The stereochemistry of products **3a** and **5a** were determined by noe spectrum; ^b trans-**1a** could be detected (32 %) after reaction; ^c 80 °C; ^d 5 mol% IMes-AuCl, 15 mol% Selectfluor.

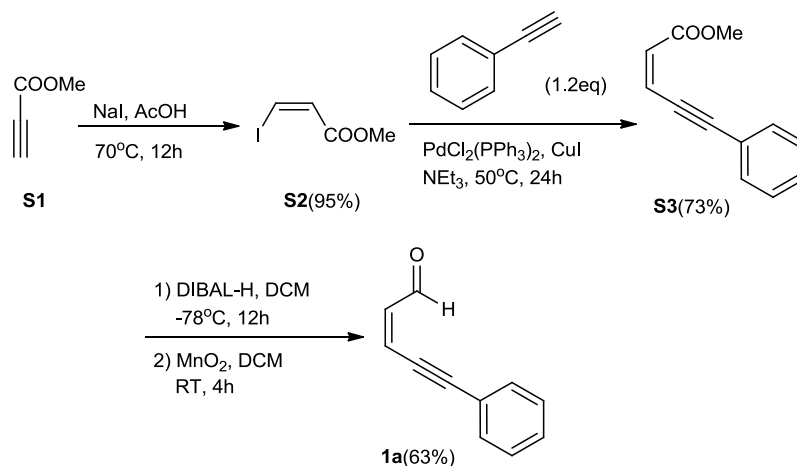
Scheme S1. Some representative examples with gold and indium salts as catalysts.

1. General Information

All reactions were carried out under an inert atmosphere of dry N₂ in Schlenk tube, solvents were purified by standard method. ¹H, ¹³C, ¹⁹F NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker AVANCE 400 spectrometer (400 MHz for ¹H; 100 MHz for ¹³C; 376 MHz for ¹⁹F), ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR chemical shifts were determined relative to internal standard TMS at δ 0.0 and ¹⁹F NMR chemical shifts were determined relative to CFCl₃ as external standard. Chemical shifts (δ) are reported in ppm, and coupling constants (*J*) are in Hertz (Hz). The following abbreviations were used to explain the multiplicities: s = singlet, d =doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet, br = broad. Infrared (IR) spectra are recorded on a Nicolet 210 spectrophotometer. All reagents were used as received from commercial sources, unless specified otherwise, or prepared as described in the literature.

2.Experimental Procedures and Characterization

2.1 Preparation of 1a



step 1:

Procedure for the synthesis of **S2** was identical to the literature.¹

step 2:

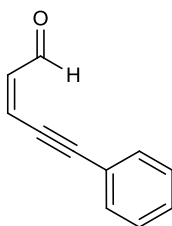
To a solution of the corresponding (Z)-methyl 3-iodoacrylate (1.0 eq.), Pd(PPh₃)₂Cl₂ (1.0 mol%), and CuI (0.5 mol%) in NEt₃ (0.25 M) was added the appropriate acetylene (1.2 eq.). The resulting mixture was stirred under nitrogen atmosphere at 50 °C overnight. After the reaction was finished, the mixture was filtered by short silica, then the solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure and the residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel to afford the desired product **S3**.

step 3:

A solution of diisobutylaluminium hydride (1.0 M) in toluene (25.2 mL, 25.2 mmol, 2.1 eq.) was added dropwise to a solution of the ester **S3** (2.24 g, 12 mmol, 1 eq.) in dichloromethane (60 mL, 0.2 M) at -78 °C and stirred for 12 h. The reaction mixture was quenched with a 1 M aqueous solution of hydrochloric acid. The solution was diluted with 20 ml of ether and

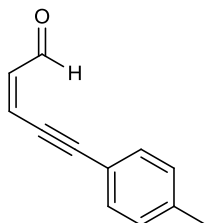
allowed to warm up to room temperature. The separated aqueous phase was extracted with ether (3*10 mL), and the combined organic layers were washed successively with 1M HCl , water and saturated sodium chloride solution then dried over MgSO₄. The mixture was filtered and the mother liquor was concentrated to yield a white oil (1.7 g, 90%). The crude material was used without any further purification. MnO₂ (8.6 g, 100 mmol, 10 eq) were added to a solution of the crude alcohol (1.58 g, 10 mmol, 1eq) in DCM (20 ml). Then the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 4 hours. After the reaction was finished, the mixture was filtered by short silica, then the solvent was evaporated under reduce pressure and the residue was purified by flash chromatography gel (Hex/EtOAc = 10/1) to afford the desired product **1a** (1.04 g, 63%) as a yellow oil.

(Z)-5-Phenylpent-2-en-4-ynal (**1a**)²



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.20 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (dd, J = 7.8, 1.6 Hz, 2H), 7.34 – 7.28 (m, 3H), 6.79 (d, J = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 6.25 (dd, J = 10.8, 8.3 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.93, 137.30, 131.99, 129.79, 128.79, 128.62, 121.70, 101.42, 84.03.

(Z)-5-(p-Tolyl)pent-2-en-4-ynal (**1b**)

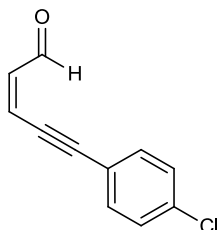


The synthesis of **1b** was similar with **1a**.

Brown yellow oil, dr (Z:E) = 89:11; R_f = 0.40 (Hex/EtOAc = 20/1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.19 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.32 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.10 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 6.77 (d, J = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 6.22 (dd, J = 10.7, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 2.30 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.99, 140.29, 136.90, 131.94, 129.40, 129.01, 118.65, 101.91, 83.71, 21.65; IR (KBr) ν_{max} 3030.91, 2923.06, 2854.12, 2190.35, 1682.14, 1594.79, 1507.62, 1122.65, 817.04, 766.55; HRMS (EI) calcd for C₁₂H₁₀O [M]: 170.0732, Found: 170.0730.

(Z)-5-(4-Chlorophenyl)pent-2-en-4-ynal (**1c**)

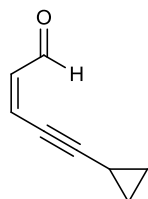


The synthesis of **1c** was similar with that of **1a**.

Yellow oil, dr (*Z:E*) = 91:9; R_f = 0.35 (Hex/EtOAc = 20/1).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 10.27 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.47 – 7.43 (m, 2H), 7.37 (dd, J = 8.4, 1.7 Hz, 2H), 6.86 (dd, J = 10.8, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 6.41 – 6.32 (m, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 191.65, 137.58, 136.01, 133.16, 129.03, 128.27, 120.17, 100.00, 84.87; IR (KBr) ν_{max} 3032.98, 2968.27, 2834.88, 2192.93, 1681.23, 1576.42, 1488.18, 1092.91, 828.69, 769.40; HRMS (EI) calcd for $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_7\text{OCl}$ [M]: 190.0185, Found: 190.0182.

(*Z*)-5-Cyclopropylpent-2-en-4-ynal (**1d**)

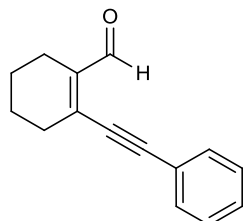


The synthesis of **1d** was similar with **1a**

Pale yellow oil, R_f = 0.35 (Hex/EtOAc = 20/1).

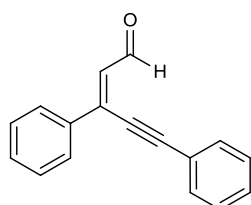
^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 10.01 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 6.52 (dd, J = 10.7, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 6.13 (dd, J = 10.5, 8.5 Hz, 1H), 1.45–1.35 (m, 1H), 0.92–0.85 (m, 2H), 0.81–0.73 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 191.45, 136.28, 129.33, 107.12, 70.74, 8.77, 0.00; IR (KBr) ν_{max} 3027.16, 2925.30, 2857.41, 2225.59, 1632.19, 1528.04, 1384.42, 1097.46, 639.19, 618.44; HRMS (EI) calcd for $\text{C}_8\text{H}_8\text{O}$ [M]: 120.0575, Found: 120.0571.

2-(Phenylethynyl)cyclohex-1-enecarbaldehyde (**1e**)³



^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 10.32 (s, 1H), 7.50 – 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.38 – 7.33 (m, 3H), 2.51 (d, J = 5.8 Hz, 2H), 2.32 (d, J = 5.9 Hz, 2H), 1.75 – 1.64 (m, 5H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 192.89, 142.61, 139.94, 131.66, 129.11, 128.51, 122.33, 98.54, 86.29, 32.36, 22.12, 21.91, 21.08.

(*Z*)-3,5-Diphenylpent-2-en-4-ynal (**1f**)⁴

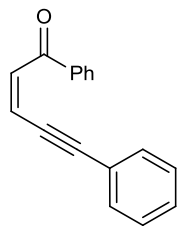


Enynal **1f** was prepared according to the method of Yukie Isogai and coworkers.

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 10.45 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.91 – 7.86 (m, 2H), 7.63 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.50 (d, J = 5.7 Hz, 3H), 7.46 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 3H), 6.84 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR

(100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.16, 142.47, 135.64, 132.00, 131.12, 131.07, 129.87, 128.93, 128.69, 127.21, 121.68, 102.20, 84.25.

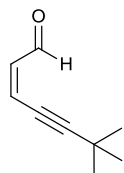
(Z)-1,5-diphenylpent-2-en-4-yn-1-one (1t)⁵



Ene-yne-ketone **1g** was prepared according to the method of Xiangwei Du and coworkers.

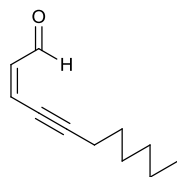
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.05 – 7.98 (m, 2H), 7.60 (ddd, J = 6.6, 3.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.47 – 7.42 (m, 2H), 7.34 (ddd, J = 7.6, 4.2, 1.3 Hz, 3H), 7.11 (d, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 6.48 (d, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 190.01, 137.84, 132.99, 132.84, 132.22, 129.19, 128.69, 128.62, 128.31, 122.59, 121.41, 100.81, 87.62.

(Z)-6,6-dimethylhept-2-en-4-ynal (1h)



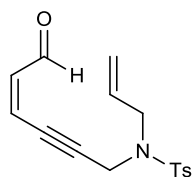
Pale yellow oil; R_f = 0.35; IR (KBr) $\nu_{\max}$ 2961.73, 2925.34, 2857.62, 2363.83, 1648.40, 1564.36, 1459.66, 1261.05, 1022.02, 799.84; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.06 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 6.56 (d, J = 10.7 Hz, 1H), 6.18 – 6.00 (m, 1H), 1.22 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.27, 135.90, 128.98, 110.79, 76.32, 76.00, 75.68, 73.30, 29.46, 27.54, -0.00; HRMS (EI) calcd for C₉H₁₃O [M+H]: 137.0966, Found: 137.0961.

(Z)-undec-2-en-4-ynal (1i)



Pale yellow oi; R_f = 0.38; IR (KBr) $\nu_{\max}$ 2961.73, 2925.34, 2857.62, 2363.83, 1648.40, 1564.36, 1459.66, 1261.05, 1022.02, 799.84; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.06 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 6.56 (d, J = 10.7 Hz, 1H), 6.14 (t, J = 9.4 Hz, 1H), 2.35 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 1.56 – 1.47 (m, 2H), 1.38 – 1.31 (m, 2H), 1.24 (s, 4H), 0.83 (t, J = 6.1 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.16, 137.16, 129.92, 104.20, 77.36, 77.04, 76.72, 75.77, 31.24, 28.58, 28.19, 22.48, 19.81, 13.98; HRMS (EI) calcd for C₁₁H₁₆ONa [M+Na]: 187.1099, Found: 187.1093.

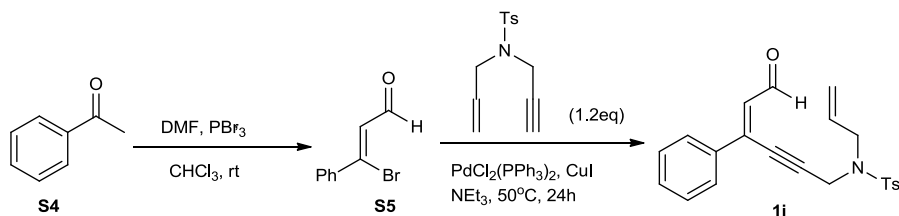
(Z)-N-allyl-4-methyl-N-(6-oxohex-4-en-2-yn-1-yl)benzenesulfonamide (8a)



To a solution of the corresponding (Z)-methyl 3-iodoacrylate (1.0 eq.), $\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2$ (1.0 mol%), and CuI (0.5 mol%) in NEt_3 (0.25 M) was added the appropriate N-allyl-4-methyl-N-(prop-2-yn-1-yl)benzenesulfonamide⁶ (1.2 eq.). The resulting mixture was stirred under nitrogen atmosphere at 50 °C overnight. After the reaction was finished, the mixture was filtered by short silica, then the solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure and the residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel to afford the desired product. A solution of diisobutylaluminium hydride (1.0 M) in toluene (10.5 mL, 10.5 mmol, 2.1 eq.) was added dropwise to a solution of the ester (1.66 g, 5 mmol, 1 eq.) in dichloromethane (30 mL, 0.2 M) at -78 °C and stirred for 12 h. The reaction mixture was quenched with a 1 M aqueous solution of hydrochloric acid. The solution was diluted with 20 ml of ether and allowed to warm up to room temperature. The separated aqueous phase was extracted with ether (3*10 mL), and the combined organic layers were washed successively with 1M HCl, water and saturated sodium chloride solution then dried over MgSO_4 . The mixture was filtered and the mother liquor was concentrated to yield a pale yellow oil (1.36 g, 90%). The crude material was used without any further purification. MnO_2 (8.6 g, 100 mmol, 10 eq) were added to a solution of the crude alcohol in DCM (20 ml). Then the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 4 hours. After the reaction was finished, the mixture was filtered by short silica, then the solvent was evaporated under reduce pressure and the residue was purified by flash chromatography gel (Hex/EtOAc = 5/1) to afford the desired product **1i** (1.04 g, 75%) as a pale yellow oil.

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 9.39 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.22 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.32 (d, J = 10.9 Hz, 1H), 6.13 – 6.03 (m, 1H), 5.70 (ddt, J = 16.7, 10.4, 6.5 Hz, 1H), 5.26 – 5.16 (m, 2H), 4.25 (s, 2H), 3.76 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 2.31 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 190.95, 144.08, 138.11, 135.70, 131.78, 129.66, 127.68, 127.47, 120.24, 94.65, 80.14, 49.61, 36.66, 21.47; IR (KBr) ν_{max} 2956.89, 2924.84, 2849.52, 2225.59, 1679.56, 1492.20, 1377.94, 1161.35, 1089.91, 744.11; HRMS (EI) calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{17}\text{NaO}_3\text{S}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 326.0827, Found: 326.0821.

(Z)-N-allyl-4-methyl-N-(6-oxo-4-phenylhex-4-en-2-yn-1-yl)benzenesulfonamide (**8b**)

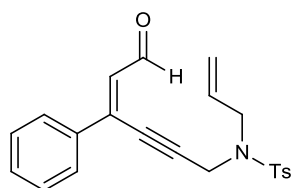


step 1:

Procedure for the synthesis of **S5** was identical to the literature.⁷

step 2:

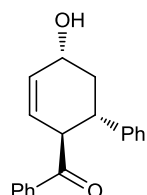
The synthesis of **1i** was similar with **1a**



Brown yellow oil; $R_f = 0.35$ (Hex/EtOAc = 5/1).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 9.56 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.66 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.46 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.38 (d, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.32 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.11 (d, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 2H), 6.55 (d, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 1H), 5.72 (ddd, $J = 13.5, 12.9, 6.4$ Hz, 1H), 5.28 – 5.18 (m, 2H), 4.38 (s, 2H), 3.82 (d, $J = 6.3$ Hz, 2H), 2.20 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 192.19, 144.13, 141.31, 135.64, 135.06, 131.86, 131.68, 131.20, 129.75, 128.87, 127.57, 126.94, 120.30, 95.38, 80.50, 49.77, 36.70, 21.43; IR (KBr) ν_{max} 2966.20, 2925.07, 2859.12, 2229.58, 1669.36, 1491.37, 1348.75, 1161.35, 911.42, 750.73; HRMS (EI) calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{21}\text{NO}_3\text{S}$ [M]: 379.1242, Found: 379.1241.

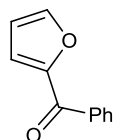
(5-Hydroxy-1,2,5,6-tetrahydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yl)(phenyl)methanone (5a)



Pale yellow oil; yield: 73% (61 mg); $R_f = 0.23$ (Hex/EtOAc = 5/1).

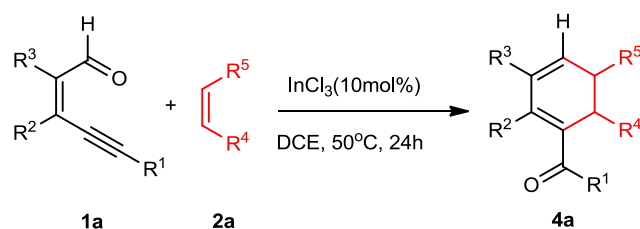
^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.72 (d, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 2H), 7.42 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.29 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.16 (t, $J = 9.2$ Hz, 4H), 7.05 (t, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.03 (dd, $J = 6.3, 3.5$ Hz, 1H), 5.78 (d, $J = 9.9$ Hz, 1H), 4.27 (d, $J = 8.9$ Hz, 1H), 4.21 (d, $J = 3.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.55 (dd, $J = 16.3, 8.1$ Hz, 1H), 2.06 (dd, $J = 7.7, 3.5$ Hz, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 200.50, 143.88, 136.31, 133.18, 130.68, 128.61, 128.50, 128.15, 127.55, 126.60, 63.73, 51.14, 37.68, 37.18; IR (KBr) ν_{max} 3604.83, 3027.12, 2921.47, 2848.98, 1685.77, 1597.62, 1493.23, 1284.34, 959.84, 698.81; HRMS (EI) calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{18}\text{NaO}_2$ [M+Na] $^+$: 301.1204, Found: 301.1199.

Furan-2-yl(phenyl)methanone (6a)⁵



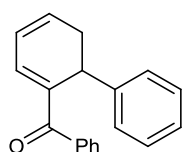
^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.90 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 2H), 7.64 (s, 1H), 7.52 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.43 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.17 (d, $J = 3.4$ Hz, 1H), 6.53 (d, $J = 3.2$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 182.59, 152.34, 147.10, 137.29, 132.58, 129.30, 128.43, 120.55, 112.21.

2.2 General procedure for Indium-catalyzed tandem reaction of enynals with olefins



To a dichloroethane (DCE, 2 ml) suspension of InCl_3 (10% mmol) in schlenk tube with a magnetic bar under a nitrogen atmosphere was added olefin (**2a**, 0.9 mmol) and enynals (**1a**, 0.3 mmol), the reaction was stirred at 50 °C unless being noted. The reaction was monitored by TLC. The reaction mixture was purified by chromatography (Hex/EtOAc = 20/1), **4a** was obtained.

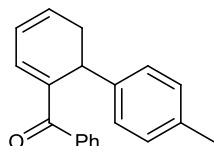
(1,6-Dihydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yl)(phenyl)methanone (**4a**)²



Pale yellow oil; yield: 79% (61 mg); R_f = 0.33 (Hex/EtOAc = 20/1).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.54 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.40 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 7.34 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.25 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.19 – 7.15 (m, 2H), 7.11 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.73 (d, J = 5.0 Hz, 1H), 6.14 – 6.01 (m, 2H), 4.30 – 4.20 (m, 1H), 2.86 (dd, J = 18.6, 10.4 Hz, 1H), 2.65 – 2.55 (m, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 196.86, 143.17, 138.71, 137.48, 137.07, 133.01, 132.07, 131.41, 129.05, 128.43, 128.11, 127.23, 126.59, 123.84, 35.34, 32.03.

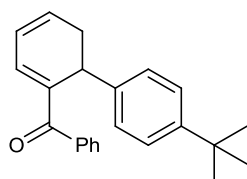
(4'-Methyl-1,6-dihydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yl)(phenyl)methanone (**4b**)



Pale yellow oil; yield: 71% (58 mg); R_f = 0.30 (Hex/EtOAc = 20/1).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.68 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.53 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.27 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.12 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 6.85 (d, J = 5.1 Hz, 1H), 6.25 – 6.12 (m, 2H), 4.35 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 2.97 (dd, J = 18.5, 10.3 Hz, 1H), 2.71 (ddd, J = 18.5, 4.9, 2.7 Hz, 1H), 2.34 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 196.88, 140.16, 138.79, 137.69, 136.93, 136.10, 133.02, 131.40, 129.17, 129.09, 128.12, 127.15, 123.87, 35.01, 32.17, 21.06; IR (KBr) ν_{max} 3035.60, 2922.95, 2860.17, 1639.78, 1564.76, 1508.48, 1271.00, 812.09, 742.08, 702.71; HRMS (EI) calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}$ [M]: 274.1358, Found: 274.1360.

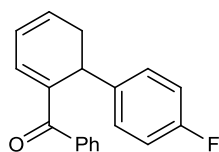
(4'-(Tert-butyl)-1,6-dihydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yl)(phenyl)methanone (**4c**)



Yellow oil; yield: 81% (76 mg); R_f = 0.32 (Hex/EtOAc = 20/1).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.55 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.41 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.22 – 7.14 (m, 4H), 6.73 (d, J = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 6.13 – 6.00 (m, 2H), 4.23 (dd, J = 10.2, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 2.89 – 2.77 (m, 1H), 2.61 (ddd, J = 18.5, 5.2, 2.7 Hz, 1H), 1.20 (s, 9H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 196.92, 149.20, 139.94, 138.81, 137.62, 137.04, 133.14, 131.34, 129.09, 128.08, 126.84, 125.30, 123.82, 34.66, 34.35, 32.01, 31.38 IR (KBr) ν_{max} 3058.13, 2959.27, 2856.56, 1723.10, 1567.19, 1455.90, 1404.68, 1269.77, 1018.41, 705.42; HRMS (EI) calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{22}\text{O}$ $[\text{M}-\text{H}_2]^+$: 314.1671, Found: 314.1668.

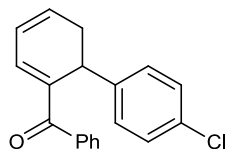
(4'-Fluoro-1,6-dihydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yl)(phenyl)methanone (4d)



Pale yellow oil; yield: 73% (60 mg); R_f = 0.35 (Hex/EtOAc = 20/1).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.52 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 7.41 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 7.20 (s, 2H), 6.85 (t, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 6.74 (d, J = 4.1 Hz, 1H), 6.08 (d, J = 11.2 Hz, 2H), 4.21 (d, J = 10.1 Hz, 1H), 2.84 (dd, J = 18.2, 10.4 Hz, 1H), 2.55 (d, J = 18.2 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 196.79, 161.70 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 242.6 Hz), 138.89, 138.59, 137.35, 137.19, 132.97, 131.52, 129.02, 128.68 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 7.8 Hz), 128.18, 123.93, 115.20 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 21.3 Hz), 34.67, 32.09; ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -116.67; IR (KBr) ν_{max} 3054.37, 2923.59, 2857.00, 1634.52, 1505.76, 1269.07, 1229.19, 1163.58, 830.49, 705.44; HRMS (EI) calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{15}\text{FO}$ $[\text{M}]$: 278.1107, Found: 278.1106.

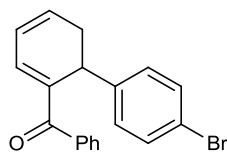
(4'-Chloro-1,6-dihydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yl)(phenyl)methanone (4e)



Pale yellow oil; yield: 68% (59 mg); R_f = 0.35 (Hex/EtOAc = 20/1).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.53 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.42 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.16 (q, J = 8.5 Hz, 4H), 6.75 (d, J = 5.3 Hz, 1H), 6.14 – 6.02 (m, 2H), 4.20 (dd, J = 10.3, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 2.85 (dd, J = 18.6, 10.3 Hz, 1H), 2.55 (ddd, J = 18.6, 5.4, 2.7 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 196.69, 141.68, 138.52, 137.27, 137.07, 132.91, 132.29, 131.52, 128.99, 128.61, 128.55, 128.17, 123.94, 34.91, 31.91; IR (KBr) ν_{max} 3075.12, 2924.85, 2850.42, 1731.58, 1560.59, 1487.96, 1274.70, 1034.23, 928.91, 702.59; HRMS (EI) calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{15}\text{ClO}$ $[\text{M}]$: 294.0811, Found: 294.0810.

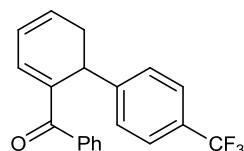
(4'-Bromo-1,6-dihydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yl)(phenyl)methanone (4f)



Yellow oil; yield: 85% (86 mg); R_f = 0.36 (Hex/EtOAc = 20/1).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.52 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.42 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.31 (dd, J = 19.7, 7.7 Hz, 4H), 7.12 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 6.75 (d, J = 5.1 Hz, 1H), 6.08 (d, J = 11.5 Hz, 2H), 4.18 (d, J = 9.7 Hz, 1H), 2.85 (dd, J = 18.3, 10.3 Hz, 1H), 2.54 (d, J = 18.1 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 196.64, 142.23, 138.51, 137.29, 136.99, 132.89, 131.52, 131.51, 129.02, 128.99, 128.18, 123.96, 120.39, 35.00, 31.85; IR (KBr) ν_{max} 3056.78, 2924.64, 2858.43, 1719.93, 1656.25, 1589.77, 1483.95, 1271.98, 1070.10, 704.30; HRMS (EI) calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{15}\text{BrO}$ [M]: 338.0306, Found: 338.0301.

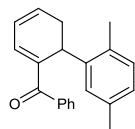
Phenyl(4'-(trifluoromethyl)-1,6-dihydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yl)methanone (4g)



Pale yellow oil; yield: 55% (54 mg); R_f = 0.31 (Hex/EtOAc = 20/1).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.54 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.44 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 3H), 7.35 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 4H), 6.81 (d, J = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 6.25 – 5.98 (m, 2H), 4.28 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 2.88 (dd, J = 18.5, 10.4 Hz, 1H), 2.57 (d, J = 18.4 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 196.56, 147.23, 138.39, 137.75, 136.62, 132.92, 131.61, 129.00, 128.22, 127.56, 125.42 (m, $J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 3.8 Hz), 124.06, 35.51, 31.83, 22.13; ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -62.37; IR (KBr) ν_{max} 3061.76, 2924.22, 2848.49, 1726.27, 1565.95, 1452.10, 1324.47, 1274.43, 1121.20, 702.98; HRMS (EI) calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{15}\text{F}_3\text{O}$ [M]: 328.1075, Found: 328.1079.

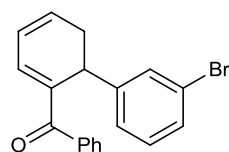
(2',5'-Dimethyl-1,6-dihydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yl)(phenyl)methanone (4h)



Brown yellow oil; yield: 69% (59 mg); R_f = 0.32 (Hex/EtOAc = 20/1).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.56 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.43 – 7.37 (m, 1H), 7.32 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.02 – 6.92 (m, 2H), 6.81 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 6.10 (s, 1H), 5.97 (d, J = 4.2 Hz, 1H), 4.43 (dd, J = 11.1, 2.9 Hz, 1H), 2.82 (dd, J = 18.3, 11.4 Hz, 1H), 2.40 (d, J = 19.0 Hz, 1H), 2.35 (s, 3H), 2.16 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 196.71, 140.84, 138.71, 137.93, 137.24, 135.03, 132.63, 132.00, 131.36, 130.67, 129.02, 128.09, 127.19, 127.15, 123.60, 31.44, 31.14, 21.25, 19.26; IR (KBr) ν_{max} 3051.19, 2921.71, 2856.98, 1725.05, 1566.51, 1451.59, 1272.30, 929.16, 733.08, 701.74; HRMS (EI) calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}$ [M]: 288.1514, Found: 288.1516.

(3'-Bromo-1,6-dihydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yl)(phenyl)methanone (4i)

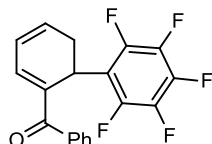


Pale yellow oil; yield: 59% (60 mg); R_f = 0.32 (Hex/EtOAc = 20/1).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.58 – 7.50 (m, 2H), 7.43 (dd, J = 13.0, 5.5 Hz, 1H), 7.35 (dd, J = 14.6, 7.0 Hz, 3H), 7.24 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.18 – 7.14 (m, 1H), 7.04 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.78

(d, $J = 5.4$ Hz, 1H), 6.21 – 5.97 (m, 2H), 4.20 (dd, $J = 10.3, 2.5$ Hz, 1H), 2.85 (ddt, $J = 18.3, 10.3, 2.6$ Hz, 1H), 2.56 (ddd, $J = 18.6, 5.6, 2.6$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 196.55, 145.51, 138.51, 137.60, 136.69, 132.92, 131.52, 130.26, 130.02, 129.74, 129.00, 128.19, 126.00, 124.01, 122.50, 35.19, 31.90; IR (KBr) ν_{max} 3055.73, 2922.94, 2854.50, 1631.83, 1560.93, 1460.08, 1271.60, 1068.59, 735.47, 695.80; HRMS (EI) calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{15}\text{BrO}$ [M]: 338.0306; Found: 338.0309.

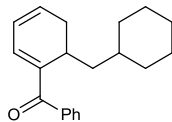
(2',3',4',5',6'-Pentafluoro-1,6-dihydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yl)(phenyl)methanone (4j)



Brown yellow oil; yield: 28% (29 mg); $R_f = 0.29$ (Hex/EtOAc = 20/1).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.64 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.46 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.36 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 6.63 (d, $J = 3.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.25 – 6.16 (m, 1H), 6.16 – 6.07 (m, 1H), 4.50 (dd, $J = 14.3, 10.4$ Hz, 1H), 2.69 – 2.45 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 195.78, 137.37, 136.86, 135.83, 132.76, 132.20, 129.42, 128.29, 123.78, 30.25, 30.05; ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -141.16, -141.18, -141.21, -141.23, -157.59, -157.65, -157.70, -162.51, -162.53, -162.57, -162.58, -162.62, -162.64; IR (KBr) ν_{max} 3056.28, 2924.44, 2864.21, 1642.90, 1501.48, 1401.21, 1274.77, 1126.44, 705.11, 619.38; HRMS (EI) calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{11}\text{F}_5\text{O}$ [M]: 350.0730, Found: 350.0735.

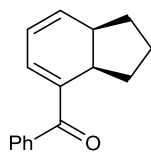
(6-(Cyclohexylmethyl)cyclohexa-1,3-dien-1-yl)(phenyl)methanone (4k)



Pale yellow oil; yield: 70% (59 mg); $R_f = 0.32$ (Hex/EtOAc = 20/1).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.56 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.43 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.34 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 6.46 (d, $J = 4.4$ Hz, 1H), 6.01 (s, 2H), 3.06 (s, 1H), 2.44 – 2.28 (m, 2H), 1.76 (d, $J = 12.8$ Hz, 1H), 1.68 – 1.49 (m, 5H), 1.37 – 1.25 (m, 2H), 1.18 – 1.00 (m, 5H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 197.29, 140.50, 139.02, 136.07, 132.91, 131.22, 129.01, 128.04, 123.57, 38.43, 34.81, 34.20, 32.64, 27.78, 26.66, 26.61, 26.42, 26.29; IR (KBr) ν_{max} 3057.48, 2922.03, 2851.58, 1663.01, 1588.05, 1449.13, 1266.32, 1072.80, 928.32, 705.01; HRMS (EI) calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{24}\text{O}$ [M]: 280.1827, Found: 280.1825.

Phenyl(2,3,3a,7a-tetrahydro-1H-inden-4-yl)methanone (4l)

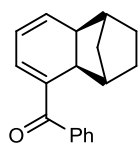


Pale yellow oil; yield: 75% (50 mg); $R_f = 0.38$ (Hex/EtOAc = 20/1).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.59 – 7.52 (m, 2H), 7.42 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.34 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 2H), 6.44 – 6.38 (m, 1H), 5.85 (dd, $J = 3.3, 1.8$ Hz, 2H), 3.08 (dt, $J = 11.3, 8.9$ Hz, 1H), 2.99 –

2.89 (m, 1H), 2.18 (ddd, $J = 12.1, 7.2, 3.5$ Hz, 1H), 2.09 (dt, $J = 14.0, 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 1.61 (ddd, $J = 12.4, 9.9, 6.2$ Hz, 1H), 1.49 – 1.41 (m, 2H), 1.39 – 1.30 (m, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 197.94, 139.20, 139.12, 139.03, 134.53, 131.19, 128.96, 128.04, 120.72, 38.74, 36.12, 34.42, 34.37, 22.98; IR (KBr) ν_{max} 2957.05, 2925.60, 2852.12, 1640.62, 1561.97, 1447.15, 1383.94, 1104.89, 701.34, 619.20; HRMS (EI) calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{16}\text{O}$ [M]: 224.1201, Found: 224.1202.

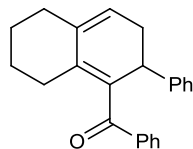
(1,2,3,4,4a,8a-Hexahydro-1,4-methanonaphthalen-5-yl)(phenyl)methanone (4m)



Pale yellow oil; yield: 92% (69 mg); $R_f = 0.30$ (Hex/EtOAc = 20/1).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.57 – 7.51 (m, 2H), 7.42 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.33 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 2H), 6.24 (d, $J = 5.9$ Hz, 1H), 5.78 (dd, $J = 9.5, 4.2$ Hz, 1H), 5.68 (ddd, $J = 9.5, 5.9, 1.7$ Hz, 1H), 3.11 (d, $J = 12.3$ Hz, 1H), 2.66 (dd, $J = 12.2, 3.2$ Hz, 1H), 2.11 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 1.70 (d, $J = 9.7$ Hz, 1H), 1.55 – 1.47 (m, 3H), 1.43 – 1.38 (m, 1H), 1.24 (s, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 198.27, 139.27, 136.61, 136.39, 135.50, 131.28, 128.91, 128.05, 120.85, 45.60, 45.55, 44.88, 41.21, 34.81, 30.67, 30.36; IR (KBr) ν_{max} 3054.12, 2952.00, 2873.57, 1641.71, 1569.84, 1451.32, 1265.82, 928.55, 729.37, 702.49; HRMS (EI) calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}$ [M]: 250.1358, Found: 250.1359.

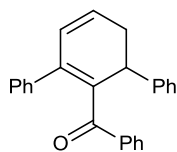
Phenyl(2-phenyl-2,3,5,6,7,8-hexahydronaphthalen-1-yl)methanone (4n)



Yellow oil; yield: 52% (49 mg); $R_f = 0.36$ (Hex/EtOAc = 20/1).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.67 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.40 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.30 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.14 – 7.08 (m, 4H), 7.03 (d, $J = 6.5$ Hz, 1H), 5.75 (s, 1H), 3.89 (s, 1H), 2.43 – 2.27 (m, 2H), 2.20 (d, $J = 15.1$ Hz, 1H), 2.15 – 2.02 (m, 4H), 1.80 (dt, $J = 11.3, 5.3$ Hz, 1H), 1.67 – 1.55 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 199.86, 142.96, 137.86, 136.55, 133.63, 133.07, 132.68, 129.01, 128.62, 128.44, 128.10, 126.29, 44.32, 31.66, 28.68, 27.49, 25.87, 23.02; IR (KBr) ν_{max} 3026.36, 2926.19, 2857.48, 1668.87, 1597.36, 1384.34, 1242.73, 1096.58, 700.51, 618.42; HRMS (EI) calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{23}\text{O}$ [M+H] $^+$: 315.1743, Found: 315.1734.

(1',6'-dihydro-[1,1':3',1''-terphenyl]-2'-yl)(phenyl)methanone (4o)

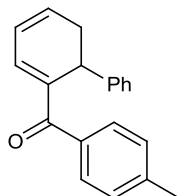


Yellow oil; yield: 52% (52 mg); $R_f = 0.33$ (Hex/EtOAc = 20/1).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.40 (d, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 2H), 7.28 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.18 – 7.06 (m, 7H), 6.98 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 4H), 6.25 (d, $J = 9.7$ Hz, 1H), 6.09 – 5.98 (m, 1H), 4.11 (dd, $J =$

9.6, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 2.98 – 2.85 (m, 1H), 2.63 (dt, $J = 18.1, 5.3$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 199.84, 142.83, 139.68, 139.35, 137.84, 134.31, 131.89, 129.11, 129.07, 128.42, 128.33, 128.03, 127.75, 127.68, 127.67, 126.72, 41.17, 31.64; IR (KBr) ν_{max} 3058.80, 2924.45, 2851.59, 1642.72, 1578.39, 1492.40, 1238.46, 1073.31, 736.70, 698.22; HRMS (MALDI/DHB) calcd for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{21}\text{O}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 337.1586 $\pm$ 0.002, Found: 337.15869.

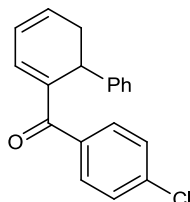
(1,6-Dihydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yl)(p-tolyl)methanone (4p)



Pale yellow oil; yield: 95% (78 mg); $R_f = 0.33$ (Hex/EtOAc = 20/1).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.46 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.24 (s, 1H), 7.13 (dt, $J = 16.8, 7.9$ Hz, 6H), 6.71 (d, $J = 5.3$ Hz, 1H), 6.11 – 5.98 (m, 2H), 4.23 (dd, $J = 10.3, 2.9$ Hz, 1H), 2.85 (ddd, $J = 15.7, 9.0, 5.2$ Hz, 1H), 2.58 (ddd, $J = 18.5, 5.3, 3.1$ Hz, 1H), 2.30 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 196.63, 143.29, 142.07, 137.65, 136.30, 135.92, 132.61, 129.30, 128.80, 128.41, 127.25, 126.54, 123.83, 35.58, 32.03, 21.53; IR (KBr) ν_{max} 3050.66, 2924.10, 2858.77, 1639.84, 1565.86, 1449.24, 1270.24, 1178.22, 742.54, 704.81; HRMS (EI) calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}$ $[\text{M}]$: 274.1358, Found: 274.1362.

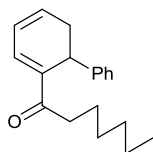
(4-Chlorophenyl)(1,6-dihydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yl)methanone (4q)



White solid; yield: 71% (62 mg); $R_f = 0.35$ (Hex/EtOAc = 20/1).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.48 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.29 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.22 (d, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.16 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.12 – 7.07 (m, 1H), 6.69 (d, $J = 4.3$ Hz, 1H), 6.07 (s, 2H), 4.21 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 2.84 (dd, $J = 18.6, 10.4$ Hz, 1H), 2.59 (d, $J = 18.1$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 195.52, 143.10, 137.76, 137.36, 136.98, 136.94, 133.35, 130.49, 128.50, 128.45, 127.19, 126.69, 123.73, 35.47, 32.01; IR (KBr) ν_{max} 3056.43, 2920.63, 2856.42, 1682.32, 1583.12, 1481.11, 1396.18, 1099.04, 751.11, 615.01; HRMS (EI) calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{15}\text{ClO}$ $[\text{M}]$: 294.0811, Found: 294.0813.

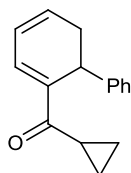
1-(1,6-Dihydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yl)heptan-1-one (4r)



Pale yellow oil; yield: 56% (45 mg); $R_f = 0.35$; IR (KBr) ν_{max} 2958.92, 2926.43, 2856.19, 1659.59, 1565.79, 1493.39, 1275.19, 1182.05, 751.25, 697.83; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ

7.14 (d, $J = 3.7$ Hz, 4H), 7.06 (d, $J = 5.5$ Hz, 2H), 6.15 – 6.06 (m, 1H), 6.04 – 5.95 (m, 1H), 4.07 (d, $J = 10.2$ Hz, 1H), 2.75 (dd, $J = 18.3, 10.4$ Hz, 1H), 2.53 (dt, $J = 18.5, 6.6$ Hz, 3H), 1.51 – 1.43 (m, 2H), 1.16 (s, 6H), 0.78 (t, $J = 6.1$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 200.57, 143.02, 137.63, 133.06, 132.90, 128.29, 127.24, 126.48, 123.93, 77.38, 77.06, 76.74, 37.37, 34.35, 32.05, 31.66, 29.02, 24.86, 22.52, 14.05; HRMS (EI) calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{16}\text{O}$ [M]: 269.1905, Found: 269.1900.

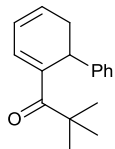
Cyclopropyl(1,6-dihydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yl)methanone (4s)



Pale yellow oil; yield: 80% (54 mg); $R_f = 0.32$ (Hex/EtOAc = 20/1).

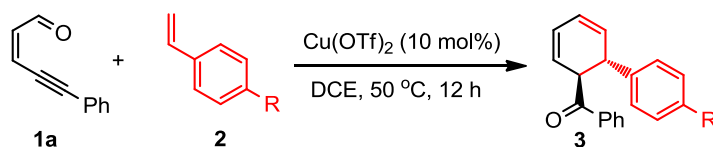
^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.22 (d, $J = 5.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.17 – 7.14 (m, 3H), 7.11 – 7.06 (m, 1H), 6.14 (ddd, $J = 8.9, 5.5, 3.1$ Hz, 1H), 6.07 – 5.93 (m, 1H), 4.08 (dd, $J = 10.2, 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 2.82 – 2.70 (m, 1H), 2.51 (ddd, $J = 18.4, 6.0, 1.4$ Hz, 1H), 2.34 – 2.25 (m, 1H), 0.96 – 0.87 (m, 2H), 0.78 – 0.69 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 199.78, 142.94, 138.26, 133.04, 132.75, 128.32, 127.24, 126.46, 124.08, 34.83, 32.14, 16.01, 10.81, 10.54; IR (KBr) ν_{max} 3068.52, 2920.54, 2854.64, 1733.21, 1555.45, 1457.14, 1263.94, 1207.13, 1023.88, 741.92; HRMS (EI) calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{16}\text{O}$ [M]: 224.1201, Found: 224.1197.

1-(1,6-Dihydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yl)-2,2-dimethylpropan-1-one. (4t).



Pale yellow oil; yield: 41% (30 mg); $R_f = 0.35$; IR (KBr) ν_{max} 2958.58, 2924.85, 2851.36, 1647.09, 1564.74, 1453.18, 1268.55, 1147.64, 749.96, 701.09; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.25 (d, $J = 3.7$ Hz, 4H), 7.19 (d, $J = 4.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.09 (d, $J = 5.4$ Hz, 1H), 6.18 (s, 1H), 6.01 (s, 1H), 4.14 (d, $J = 9.9$ Hz, 1H), 2.85 (dd, $J = 17.8, 10.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.58 (d, $J = 18.2$ Hz, 1H), 1.26 (s, 9H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 205.85, 142.17, 134.98, 130.31, 130.03, 127.23, 126.24, 125.35, 122.60, 76.31, 76.00, 75.68, 42.80, 35.30, 31.11, 27.63; HRMS (EI) calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{20}\text{NaO}$ [M]: 263.1412, Found: 263.1406.

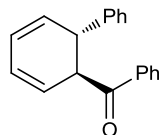
2.3 General procedure for copper -catalyzed tandem reaction of enynals with olefins



To a dichloroethane (DCE, 2 ml) suspension of $\text{Cu}(\text{OTf})_2$ (10% mmol) in schlenk tube with

a magnetic bar under a nitrogen atmosphere was added olefin (**2**, 0.6 mmol) and enynals (**1a**, 0.3 mmol), the reaction was stirred at 50 °C unless being noted. The reaction was monitored by TLC. The reaction mixture was purified by chromatography (Hex/EtOAc = 20/1). **3** was obtained.

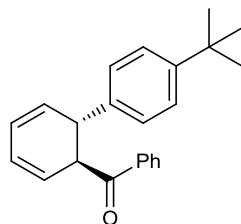
(1,2-Dihydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yl)(phenyl)methanone (**3a**)



Pale yellow oil; yield: 45% (35 mg); R_f = 0.38 (Hex/EtOAc = 20/1).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.79 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.45 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 7.34 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.25 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 7.22 – 7.17 (m, 2H), 7.13 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 5.98 (s, 2H), 5.82 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 5.54 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.35 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 4.27 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 198.82, 144.12, 135.91, 133.07, 130.61, 128.69, 128.64, 128.24, 126.81, 125.14, 122.30, 121.86, 50.47, 40.88; IR (KBr) ν_{max} 3056.49, 2957.19, 2858.46, 1686.72, 1596.71, 1537.84, 1386.63, 1210.16, 947.53, 702.17; HRMS (EI) calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{14}\text{O}$ $[\text{M}-\text{H}_2]^+$: 258.1045, Found: 258.1043.

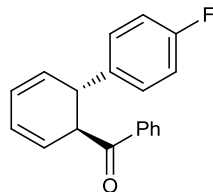
(4'-(Tert-butyl)-1,2-dihydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yl)(phenyl)methanone (**3b**)



Brown yellow oil; yield: 48% (45 mg); R_f = 0.36 (Hex/EtOAc = 20/1).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.79 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.45 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.34 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.22 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.17 (t, J = 6.1 Hz, 2H), 5.97 (dd, J = 14.5, 6.6 Hz, 2H), 5.83 (dd, J = 8.7, 3.8 Hz, 1H), 5.54 (dd, J = 8.6, 4.1 Hz, 1H), 4.38 – 4.29 (m, 1H), 4.26 – 4.18 (m, 1H), 1.21 (s, 9H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 198.90, 149.58, 140.93, 136.06, 132.92, 130.74, 128.63, 128.61, 127.77, 125.49, 125.14, 122.06, 121.89, 50.47, 40.37, 34.40, 29.70; IR (KBr) ν_{max} 3057.07, 2958.49, 2855.18, 1692.35, 1596.86, 1517.61, 1223.71, 932.67, 815.21, 708.78; HRMS (EI) calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{24}\text{O}$ $[\text{M}]$: 316.1827, Found: 316.1831.

(4'-Fluoro-1,2-dihydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yl)(phenyl)methanone (**3c**)

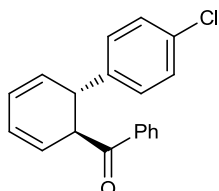


Pale yellow oil; yield: 62% (51 mg); R_f = 0.33 (Hex/EtOAc = 20/1).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.79 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.47 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.21 (dd, J = 7.9, 6.3 Hz, 2H), 6.88 (t, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.07 – 5.91 (m, 2H), 5.85 – 5.74

(m, 1H), 5.61 – 5.48 (m, 1H), 4.36 – 4.20 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 198.73, 161.75 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 243.0\text{Hz}$), 139.88, 135.90, 133.12, 130.55, 129.72 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 7.9\text{Hz}$), 128.64 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 12.1\text{Hz}$), 125.07, 122.50, 121.89, 115.44, 115.23, 50.70, 40.24; ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -116.27; IR (KBr) ν_{max} 3049.15, 2928.07, 2854.30, 1661.55, 1596.03, 1443.43, 1250.46, 953.71, 724.50, 697.93; HRMS (EI) calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{13}\text{FO}$ $[\text{M}-\text{H}_2]^+$: 276.0950, Found: 276.0954.

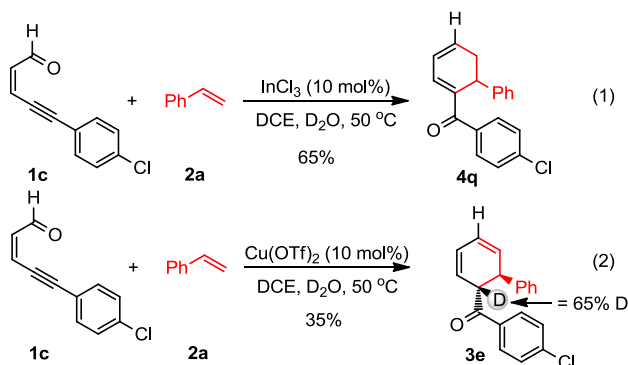
(4'-Chloro-1,2-dihydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yl)(phenyl)methanone (3d)



Brown yellow oil; yield: 45% (39 mg); $R_f = 0.35$ (Hex/EtOAc = 20/1).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.79 (d, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.47 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.36 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.20 – 7.14 (m, 4H), 6.06 – 5.95 (m, 2H), 5.77 (dd, $J = 10.1, 2.7$ Hz, 1H), 5.59 – 5.49 (m, 1H), 4.33 – 4.22 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 198.48, 142.67, 135.82, 133.14, 132.53, 130.21, 129.63, 128.71, 128.68, 128.58, 125.06, 122.66, 121.86, 50.51, 40.31; IR (KBr) ν_{max} 3042.12, 2921.44, 2854.81, 1660.30, 1528.62, 1401.66, 1384.31, 1105.97, 699.84, 619.39; HRMS(EI) calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{13}\text{ClO}$ $[\text{M}-\text{H}_2]^+$: 292.0655, Found: 292.0657.

2.4 Deuterium-labeling experiments.



To gain more information about the reaction mechanism, additional D_2O (12 mg, 0.6 mmol) was added in the reaction of enynals (**1c**, 0.3 mmol) and olefin (**2a**, 0.6 mmol) at 50 °C. The olefinic carbon atom in product **4q** (1) does not have the deuterium label. Instead, 65 % incorporation of deuterium was found at the position of the alkyl group **3e** (2). a result that is consistent with the proposed mechanism involving β -H (path a) or δ -M elimination (Scheme 2).

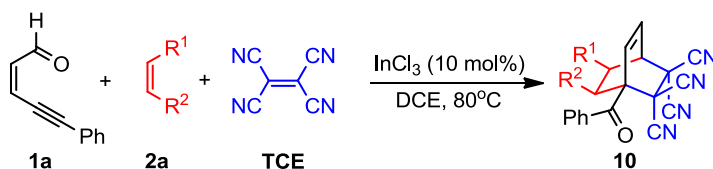
(4-Chlorophenyl)(2-deuterio-1,2-dihydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yl)methanone (3e)

Pale yellow oil; yield: 35%(23 mg); $R_f = 0.33$ (Hex/EtOAc = 20/1).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.72 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.32 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 3H), 7.22 (s, 6H), 7.14 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 6.00 (t, $J = 9.2$ Hz, 2H), 5.83 (s, 1H), 5.50 (d, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 1H), 4.28 (s, 0.3H), 4.22 (s, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 197.82, 143.88, 139.50, 134.31, 131.04, 130.61, 129.99, 128.96, 128.64, 128.16, 126.88, 126.06, 125.38, 122.31, 121.49, 50.54,

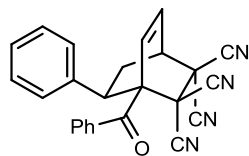
41.10. IR (KBr) $\nu_{\max}$ 3054.27, 2918.95, 2850.03, 1679.28, 1588.17, 1489.53, 1384.00, 1109.57, 701.39, 618.86; HRMS (EI) calcd for $C_{19}H_{14}DClO$ $[M]^+$: 295.0874, Found: 295.0877.

2.5 General procedure for Indium-catalyzed tandem reaction of enynals with olefins and tetracyanoethylene



To a dichloroethane (DCE, 2 ml) suspension of $InCl_3$ (10% mmol) in schlenk tube with a magnetic bar under a nitrogen atmosphere, was added olefin (**2a**, 0.9 mmol) and enynals (**1a**, 0.3 mmol) and tetracyanoethylene (0.6 mmol), the reaction was stirred at 80 °C unless being noted. The reaction was monitored by TLC. The reaction mixture was purified by chromatography (Hex/EtOAc = 5/1). **10** was obtained.

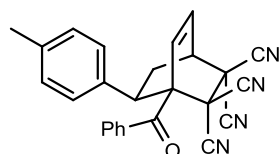
1-Benzoyl-7-phenylbicyclo[2.2.2]oct-5-ene-2,2,3,3-tetracarbonitrile (**10a**)



Brown yellow solid (m.p. 159 °C); yield: 70% (81 mg); R_f = 0.30 (Hex/EtOAc = 5/1).

1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.31 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.18 (d, J = 4.6 Hz, 3H), 7.10 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.06 – 6.99 (m, 2H), 6.98 – 6.91 (m, 1H), 6.80 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 6.67 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 4.05 (dd, J = 9.7, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 3.86 – 3.72 (m, 1H), 2.84 (dd, J = 14.3, 10.7 Hz, 1H), 2.19 – 2.07 (m, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 200.21, 138.25, 135.92, 134.54, 132.54, 132.07, 129.60, 129.28, 128.97, 128.28, 127.94, 111.64, 111.31, 111.27, 111.18, 61.30, 47.22, 45.95, 43.17, 40.80, 28.61; IR (KBr) $\nu_{\max}$ 3057.09, 2925.18, 2856.70, 2232.62, 1715.02, 1620.45, 1380.52, 1096.28, 701.68, 620.75; HRMS (DART POS) calcd for $C_{25}H_{17}ON_4$ $[M+H]^+$: 389.1397, Found: 389.1386.

1-Benzoyl-7-(p-tolyl)bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-5-ene-2,2,3,3-tetracarbonitrile (**10b**)

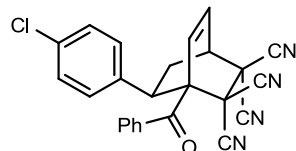


Brown solid (m.p. 162 °C); yield: 72% (87 mg); R_f = 0.28 (Hex/EtOAc = 5/1).

1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.32 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.11 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 6.98 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 6.92 (dd, J = 13.2, 7.9 Hz, 3H), 6.78 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 6.69 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 4.02 (dd, J = 9.6, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 3.78 (s, 1H), 2.82 (dd, J = 15.1, 9.9 Hz, 1H), 2.20 (s, 3H), 2.13 – 2.05 (m, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 200.30, 139.03, 135.94, 135.16, 134.43, 132.50, 132.12, 129.87, 129.43, 128.21, 128.08, 111.67, 111.33, 111.29, 111.23, 61.37, 47.16, 45.95, 42.83, 40.82, 28.60, 20.93; IR (KBr) $\nu_{\max}$ 3037.09, 2919.97, 2858.13, 2225.52, 1745.70,

1630.45, 1384.52, 1096.80, 700.68, 618.31; HRMS (DART Postive) calcd for $C_{26}H_{19}ON_4$ $[M+H]^+$: 403.1546, Found: 403.1553.

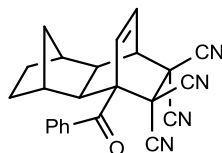
1-Benzoyl-7-(4-chlorophenyl)bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-5-ene-2,2,3,3-tetracarbonitrile (10c)



Brown solid (m.p.167 °C); yield: 46% (58 mg); R_f = 0.25 (Hex/EtOAc = 5/1).

1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.47 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.32 – 7.23 (m, 4H), 7.06 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 3H), 6.94 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 6.87 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 4.12 (dd, J = 9.8, 5.1 Hz, 1H), 3.90 (s, 1H), 2.95 (dd, J = 14.5, 10.0 Hz, 1H), 2.21 – 2.08 (m, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 199.62, 136.74, 135.69, 135.18, 134.77, 132.88, 131.91, 130.84, 129.38, 128.46, 128.02, 111.51, 111.18, 111.14, 110.99, 61.09, 47.20, 45.83, 42.53, 40.67, 28.79; IR (KBr) ν_{max} 3040.58, 2935.20, 2859.07, 2228.41, 1760.13, 1642.45, 1388.52, 1099.57, 702.26, 619.82; HRMS (DART POS) calcd for $C_{25}H_{16}ON_4Cl$ $[M+H]^+$: 423.1007, Found: 423.0995.

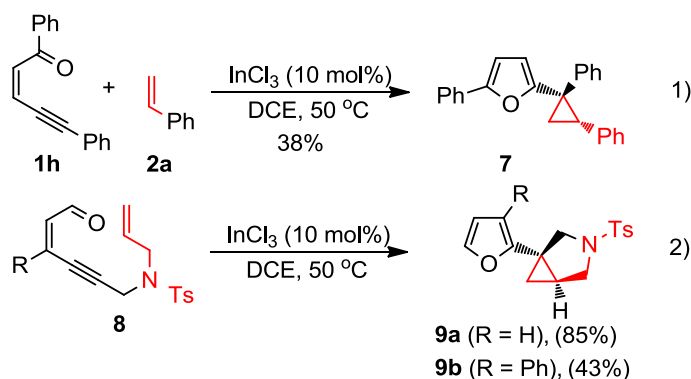
1-Benzoyl-1,4,4a,5,6,7,8,8a-octahydro-1,4-ethano-5,8-methanonaphthalene-10,10,11,11-tetracarbonitrile (10d)



Brown yellow solid (m.p.150 °C); yield: 45% (51 mg); R_f = 0.30 (Hex/EtOAc = 5/1).

1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.84 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.62 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 6.92 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 6.75 – 6.65 (m, 1H), 3.72 (d, J = 6.2 Hz, 1H), 2.55 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 2.43 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 2.28 (d, J = 11.6 Hz, 2H), 2.07 (d, J = 10.7 Hz, 1H), 1.57 – 1.50 (m, 1H), 1.48 – 1.41 (m, 1H), 1.29 (dd, J = 16.8, 9.9 Hz, 1H), 1.03 (d, J = 10.7 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 196.92, 134.42, 134.40, 133.67, 131.88, 130.22, 129.02, 111.69, 111.52, 111.41, 111.37, 61.33, 47.41, 47.02, 46.58, 43.82, 41.70, 41.04, 40.92, 34.59, 30.82, 30.60; IR (KBr) ν_{max} 3031.51, 2964.92, 2878.06, 2225.50, 1668.95, 1596.01, 1383.62, 1094.63, 785.28, 618.12; HRMS (DART POS) calcd for $C_{24}H_{19}ON_4$ $[M+H]^+$: 379.1553, Found: 379.1543.

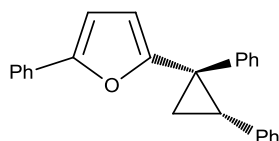
2.6 Procedure for intramolecular reaction of tethered alkenyl enynals



1) To a dichloroethane (DCE, 2 ml) suspension of InCl₃ (10% mmol) in schlenk tube with a magnetic bar under a nitrogen atmosphere was added olefin (**2a**, 0.9 mmol) and enynals (**1h**, 0.3 mmol), the reaction was stirred at 50 °C unless being noted. The reaction was monitored by TLC. The reaction mixture was purified by chromatography (Hex/EtOAc = 20/1), **7** was obtained.

2) To a dichloroethane (DCE, 2 ml) suspension of InCl₃ (10% mmol) in schlenk tube with a magnetic bar under a nitrogen atmosphere was added olefin (**8**, 0.3 mmol). the reaction was stirred at 50 °C unless being noted. The reaction was monitored by TLC. The reaction mixture was purified by chromatography (Hex/EtOAc = 5/1), **9** was obtained.

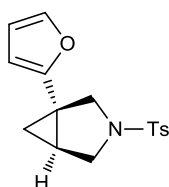
1,2-diphenylcyclopropyl-5-phenylfuran (**7**)



Pale yellow oli; yield: 38% (38 mg); dr (*Z:E*) = 84:16; R_f = 0.4 (Hex/EtOAc = 50/1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.55 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.30 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.18 – 7.14 (m, 1H), 7.10 (s, 5H), 6.98 (t, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 3H), 6.76 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 6.45 – 6.40 (m, 1H), 5.69 – 5.64 (m, 1H), 3.00 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 2.06 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 1.91 (t, *J* = 5.9 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 154.50, 152.46, 143.82, 138.04, 131.61, 131.03, 128.48, 128.42, 128.20, 127.83, 126.75, 126.60, 126.23, 123.49, 110.78, 105.50, 77.37, 77.05, 76.73, 32.89, 32.67, 19.53; IR (KBr) ν_{max} 2957.38, 2923.42, 2850.31, 1461.67, 1385.26, 1277.84, 913.14, 746.40, 697.89, 632.96; HRMS (EI) calcd for C₂₅H₂₀NaO₂[M+Na]⁺: 359.1412, Found: 359.1406.

1-(Furan-2-yl)-3-tosyl-3-azabicyclo[3.1.0]hexane (**9a**)

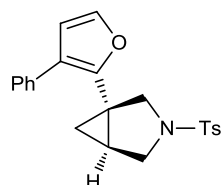


Brown yellow solid (m.p. 89 °C); yield: 85% (80 mg); R_f = 0.34 (Hex/EtOAc = 5/1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.63 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.27 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.15 (s, 1H), 6.19 (s, 1H), 5.90 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 3.69 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 3.54 (d, *J* = 9.3 Hz, 1H), 3.25 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 3.12 (dd, *J* = 9.2, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 2.37 (s, 3H), 1.69 (dt, *J* = 8.1, 4.2 Hz, 1H),

1.14 – 1.08 (m, 1H), 0.97 (t, $J = 4.8$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 153.45, 143.66, 141.11, 133.42, 129.73, 127.59, 110.40, 104.91, 51.23, 49.80, 25.70, 24.19, 21.55, 14.75; IR (KBr) ν_{max} 3056.45, 2922.68, 2851.24, 1734.39, 1598.32, 1462.51, 1349.00, 1165.19, 1101.18, 740.74; HRMS (EI) calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{17}\text{NO}_3\text{S}$ [M]: 303.0929, Found: 303.0925.

1-(3-Phenylfuran-2-yl)-3-tosyl-3-azabicyclo[3.1.0]hexane (9b)

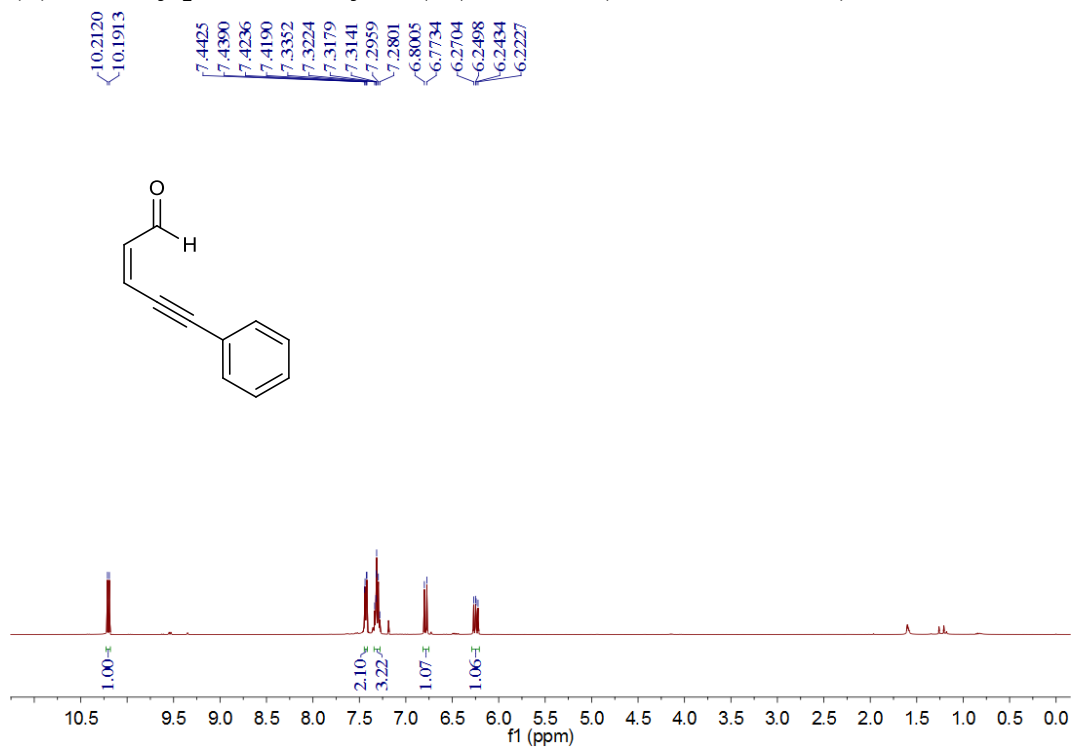


Brown yellow solid (m.p. 124°C); yield: 43% (49 mg); $R_f = 0.30$ (Hex/EtOAc = 5/1).

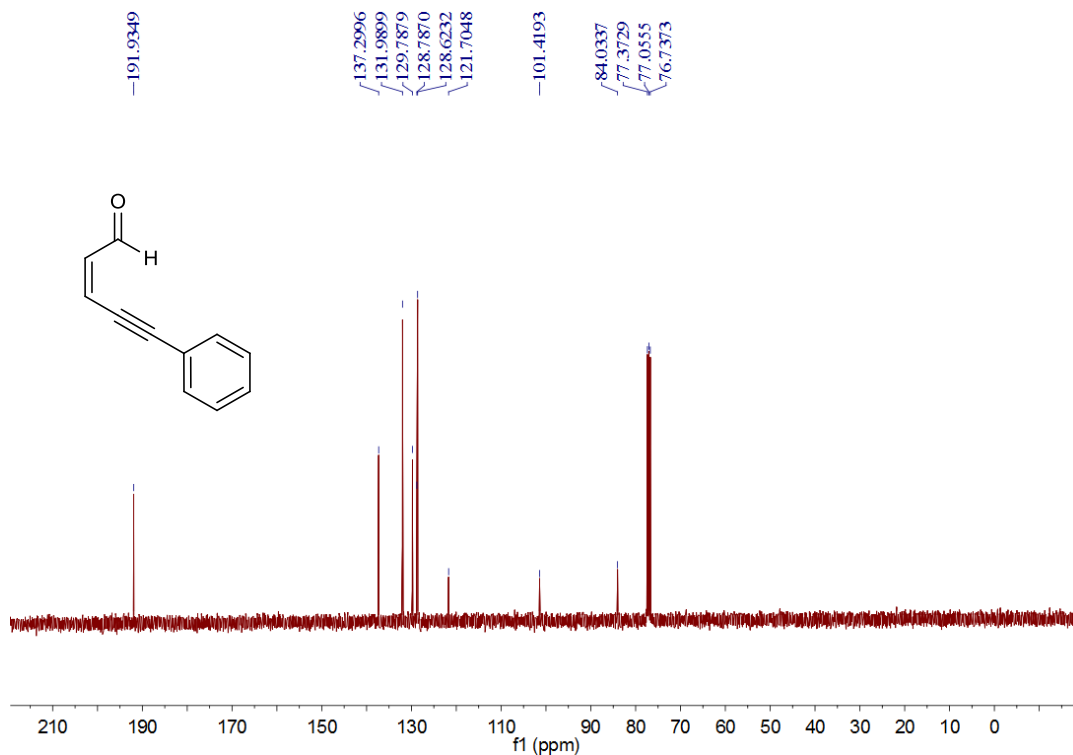
^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.59 (d, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 2H), 7.26 (d, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 2H), 7.20 (s, 6H), 6.39 (s, 1H), 3.72 (d, $J = 9.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.54 (d, $J = 9.3$ Hz, 1H), 3.15 (dd, $J = 9.3, 3.7$ Hz, 1H), 3.10 (d, $J = 9.2$ Hz, 1H), 2.39 (s, 3H), 1.63 (dt, $J = 8.1, 4.0$ Hz, 1H), 1.02 (t, $J = 4.8$ Hz, 1H), 0.92 – 0.85 (m, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 147.61, 143.63, 141.15, 133.02, 132.91, 129.71, 128.38, 127.90, 127.64, 126.95, 123.73, 111.65, 52.62, 49.89, 24.48, 24.31, 21.58, 15.09; IR (KBr) ν_{max} 2955.99, 2919.67, 2848.53, 1737.17, 1564.40, 1446.96, 1346.64, 1162.84, 745.48, 700.54; HRMS (EI) calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{21}\text{NO}_3\text{S}$ [M]: 379.1242, Found: 379.1246.

3. ^1H , ^{19}F and ^{13}C NMR Spectra

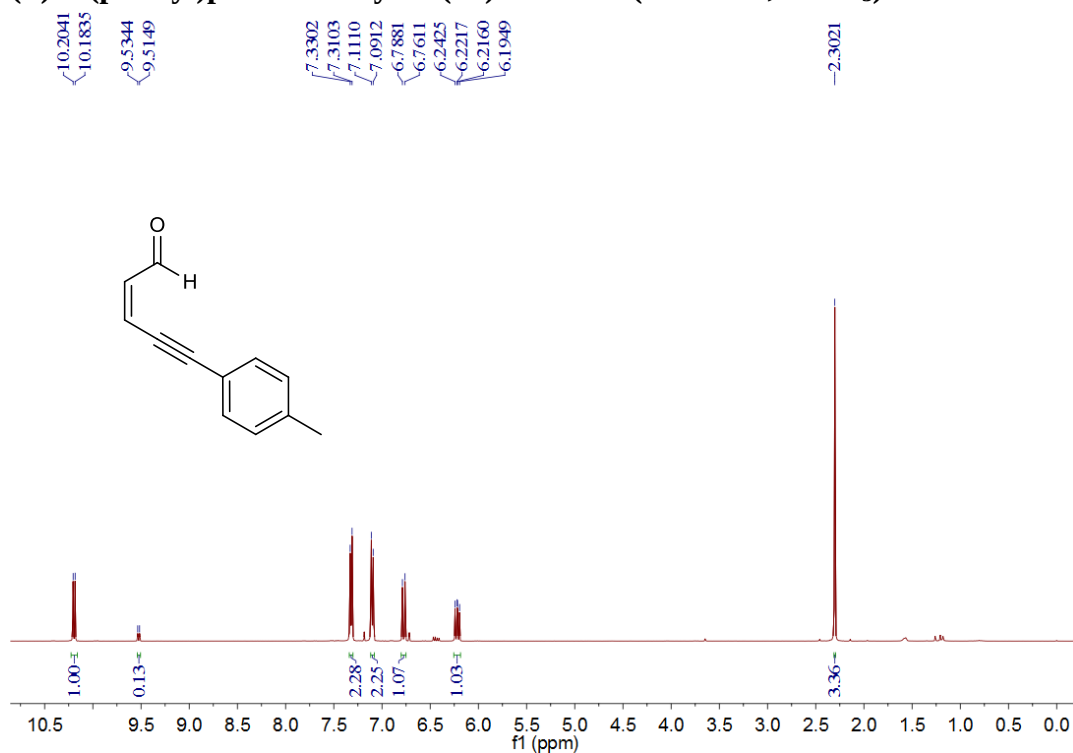
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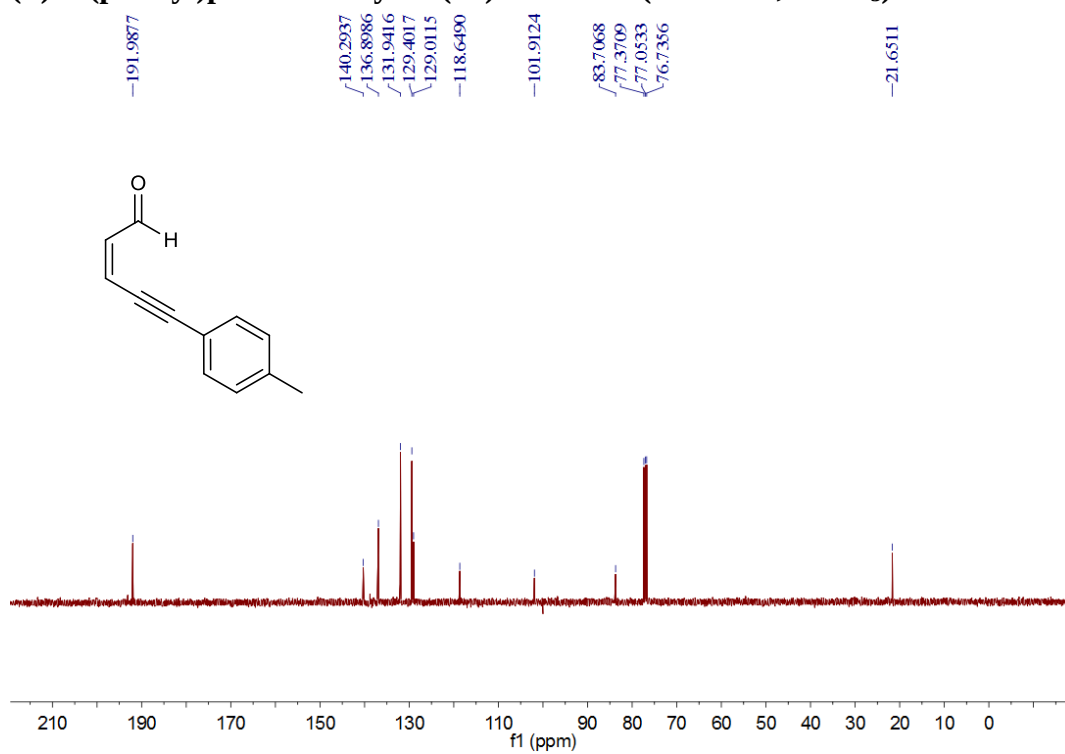
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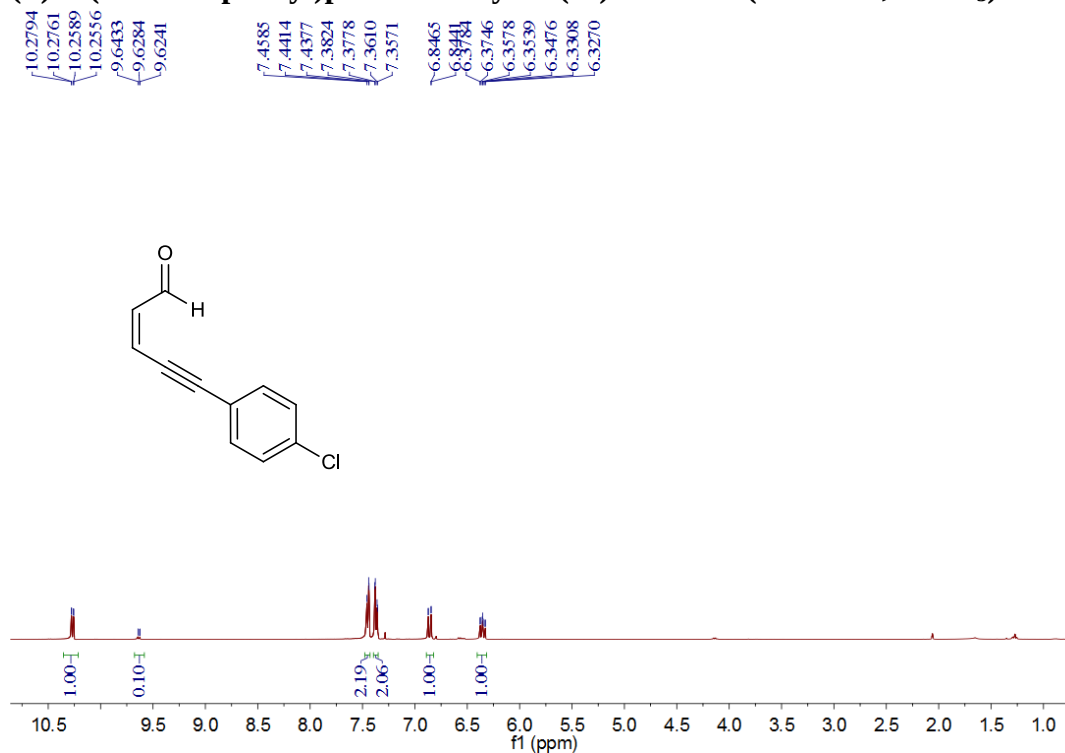
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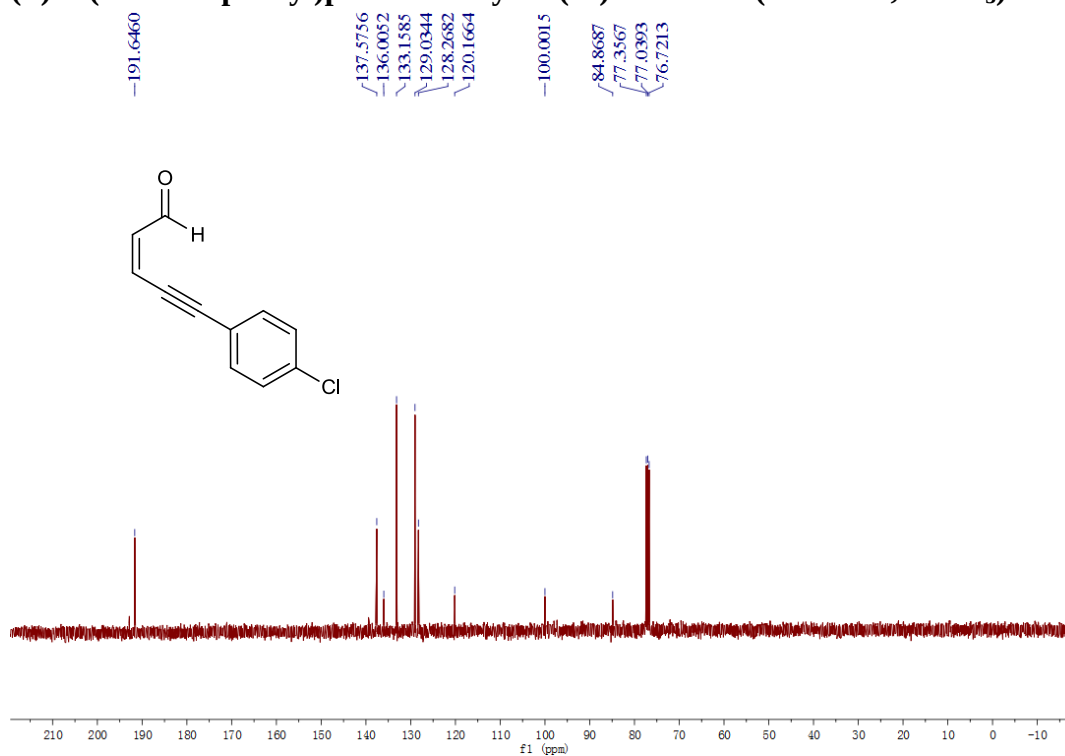
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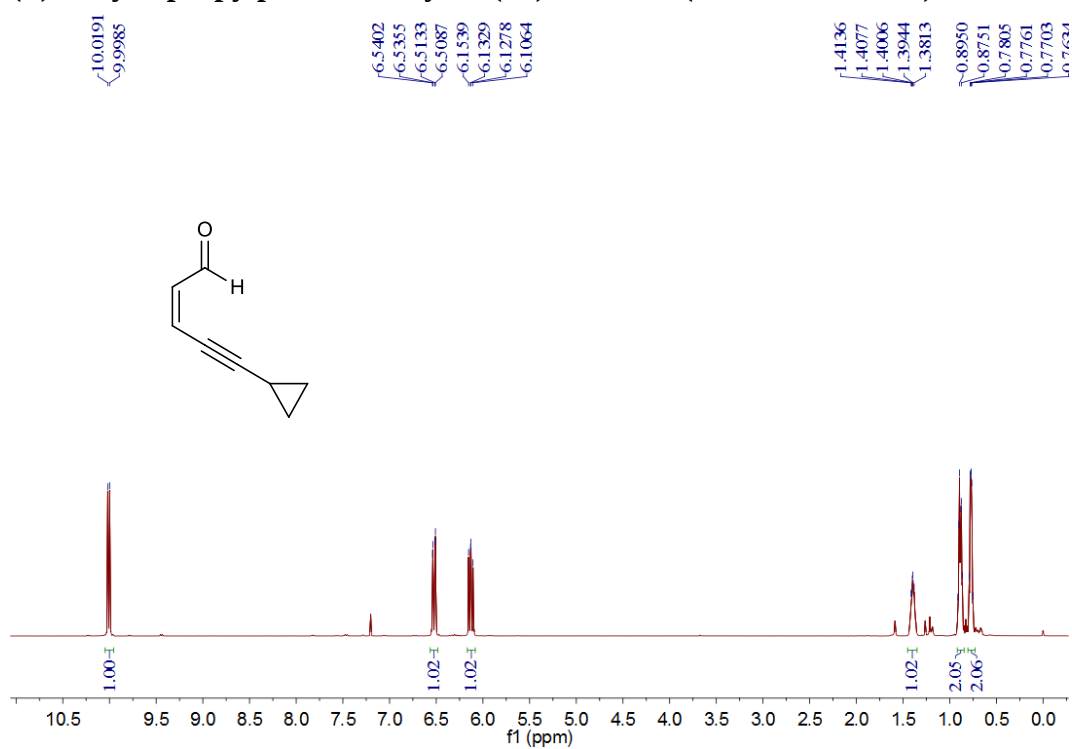
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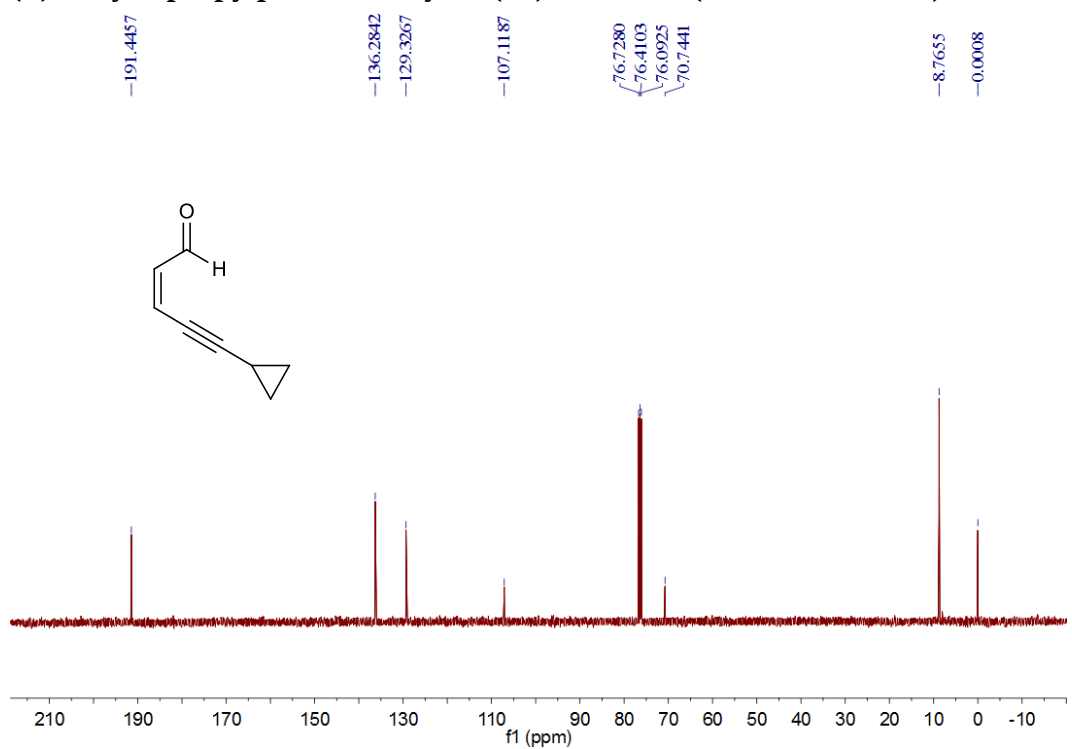
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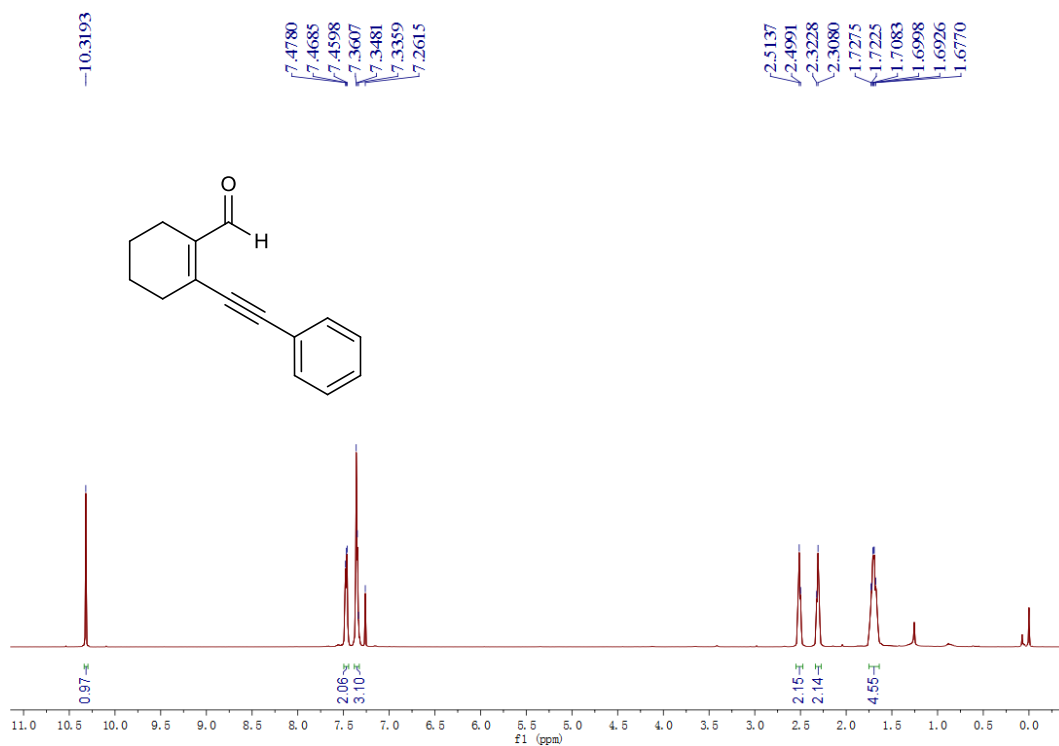
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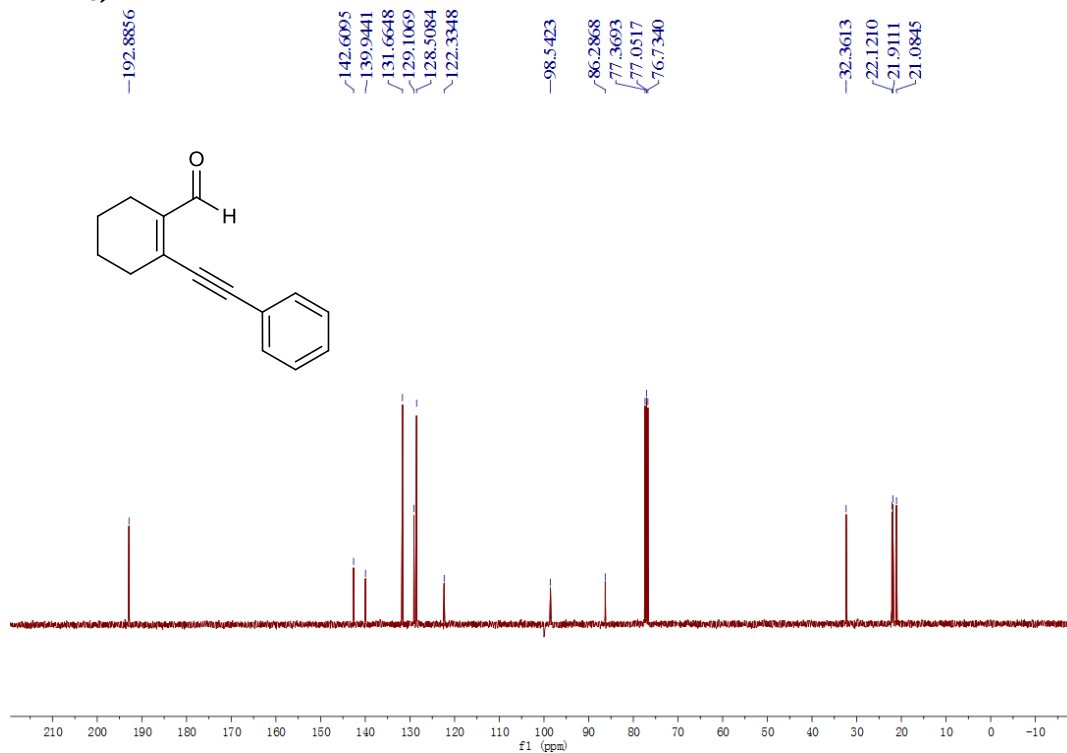
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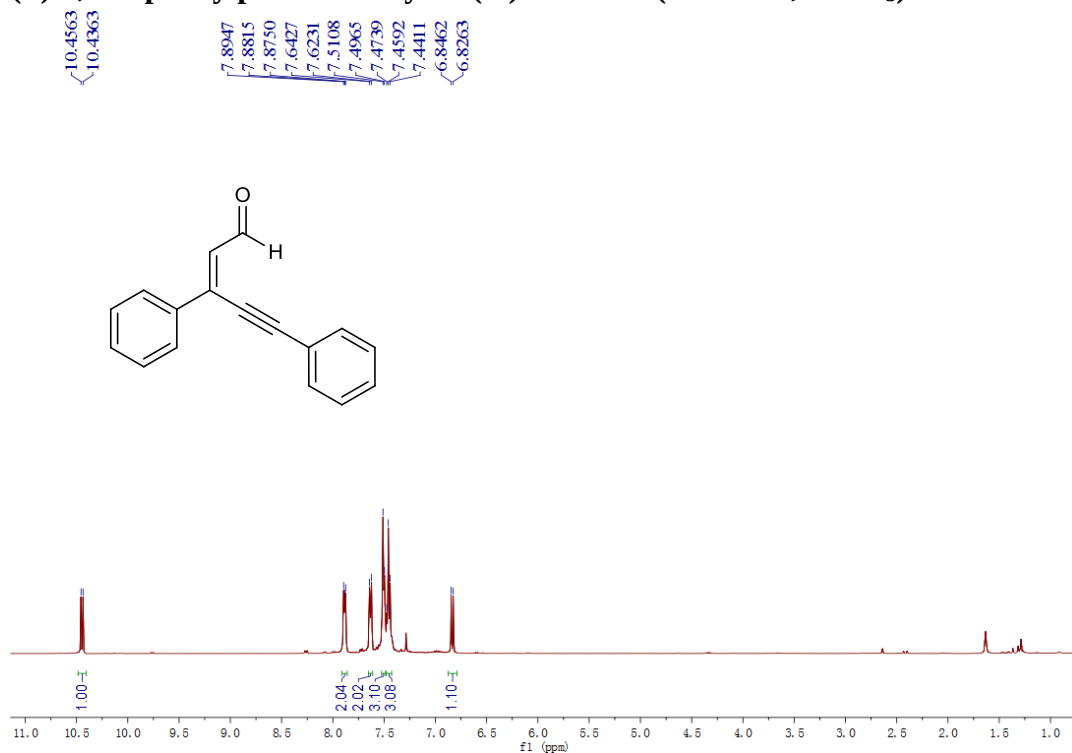
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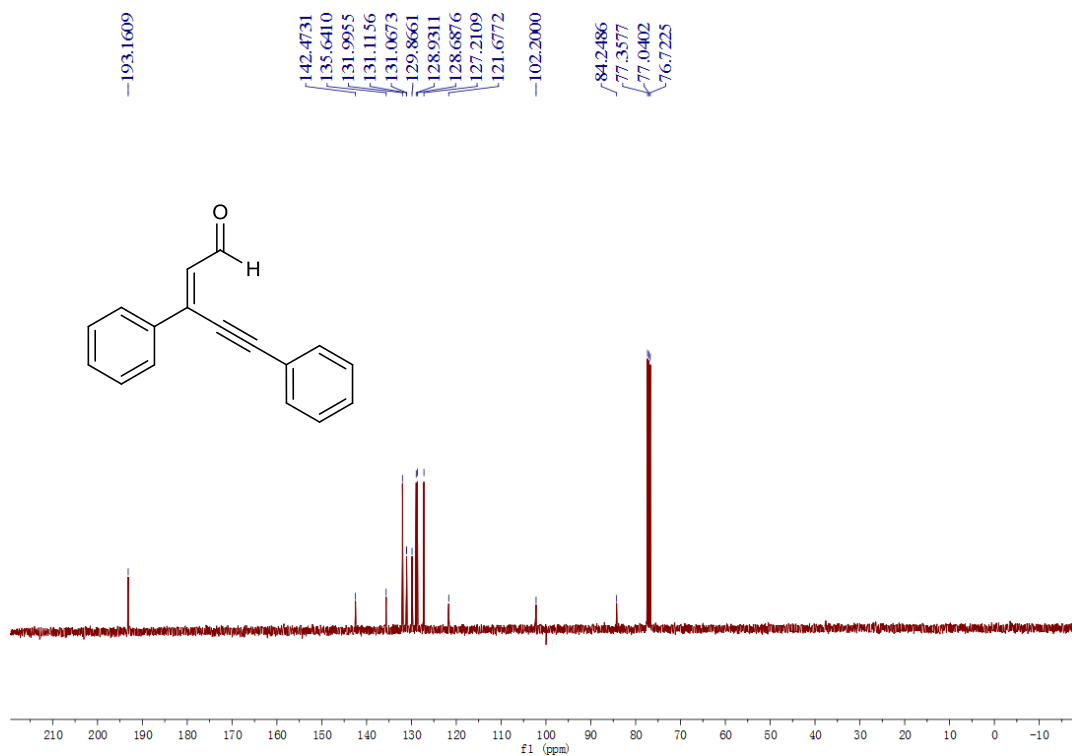
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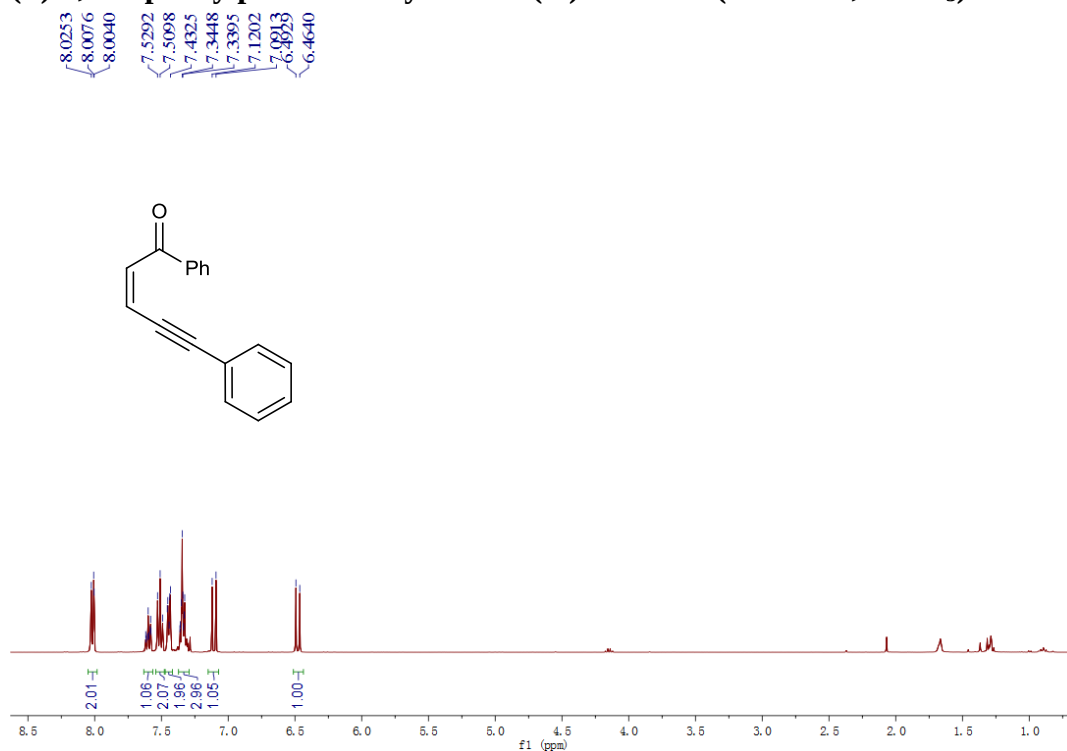
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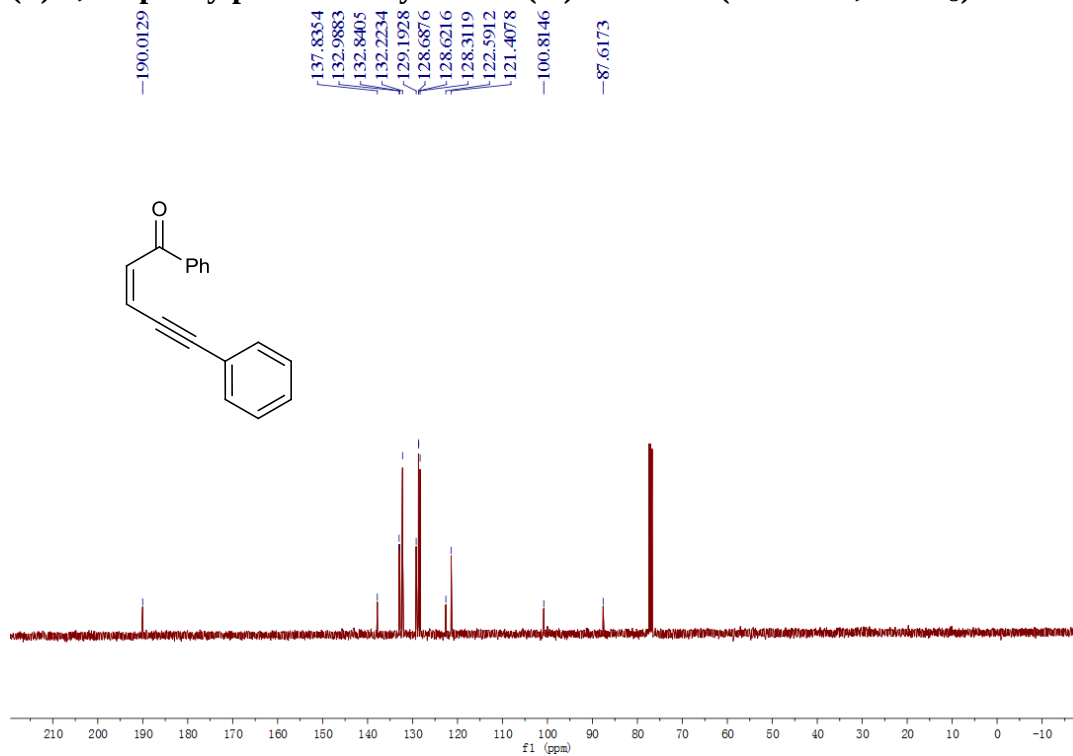
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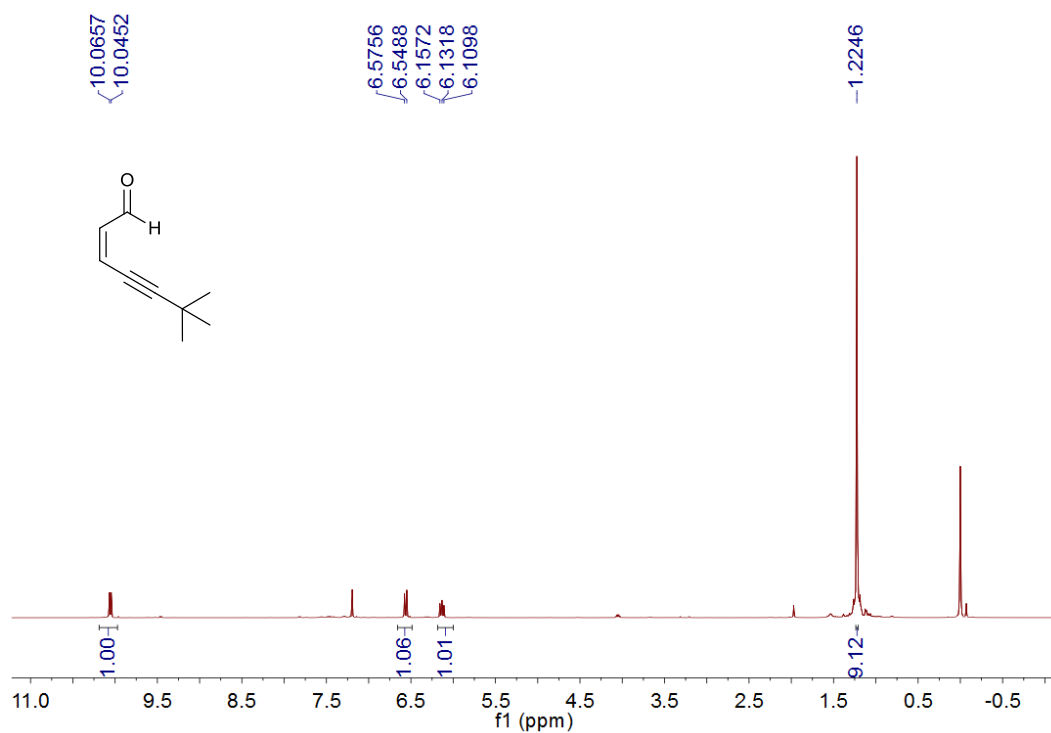
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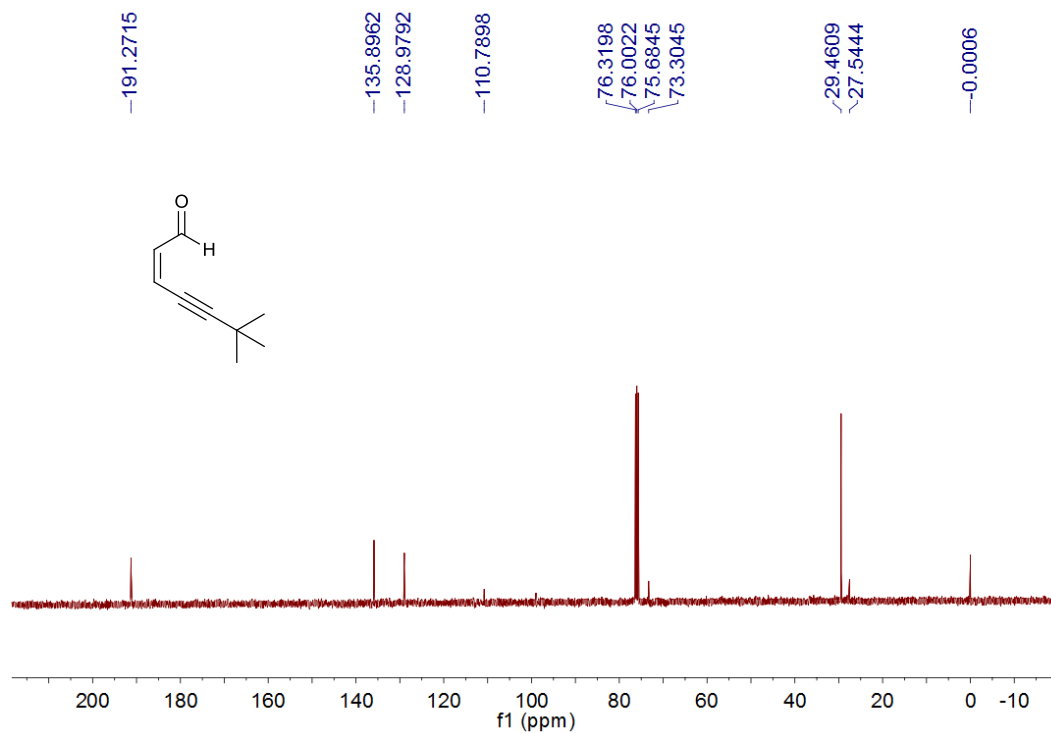
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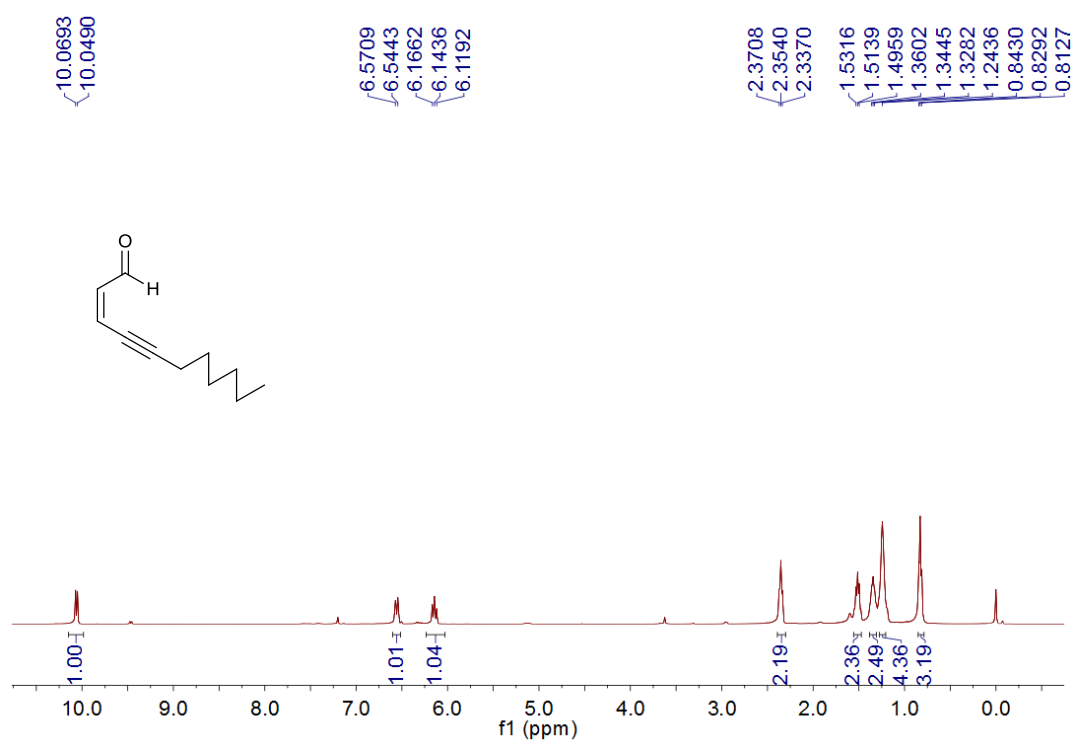
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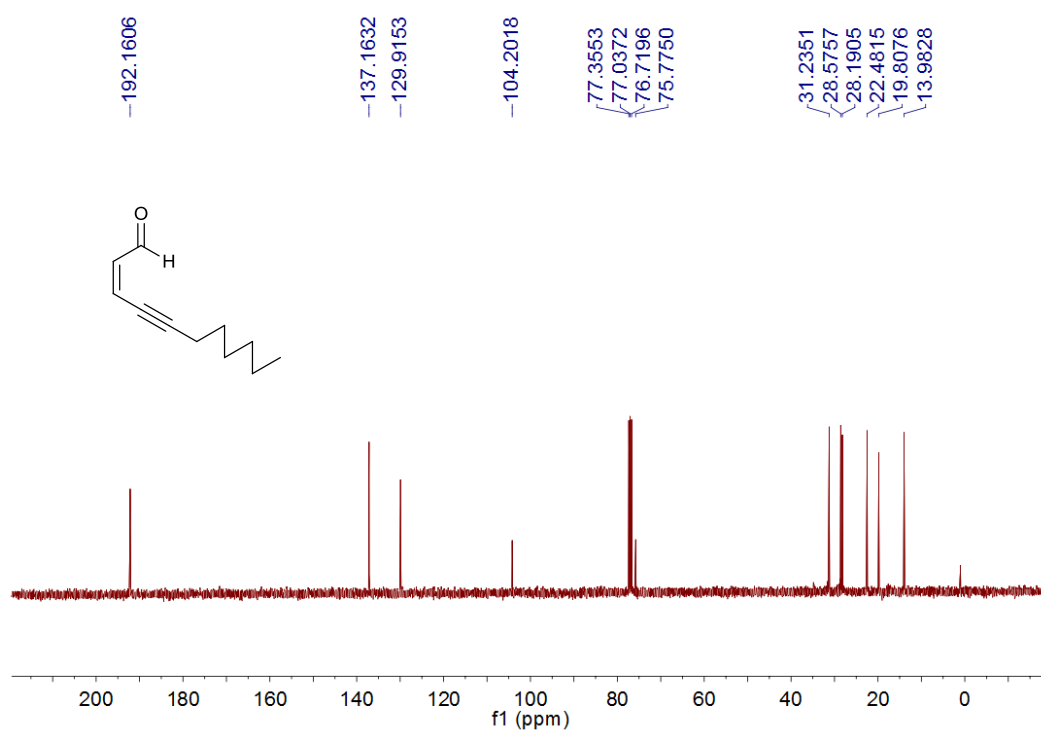
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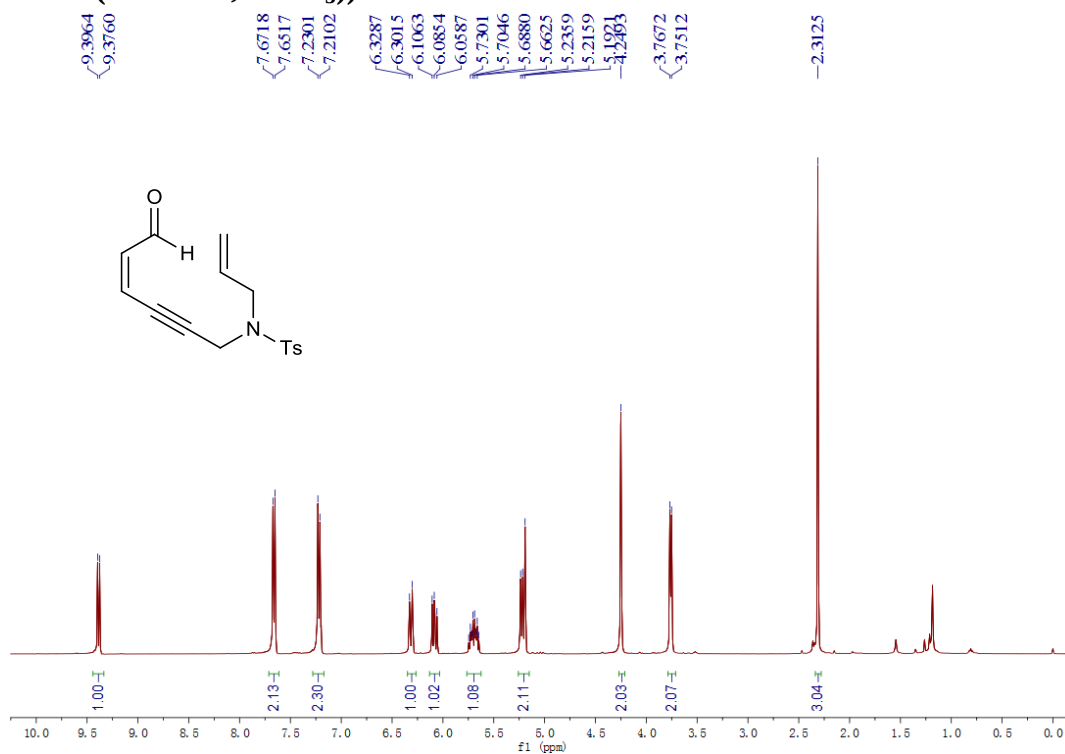
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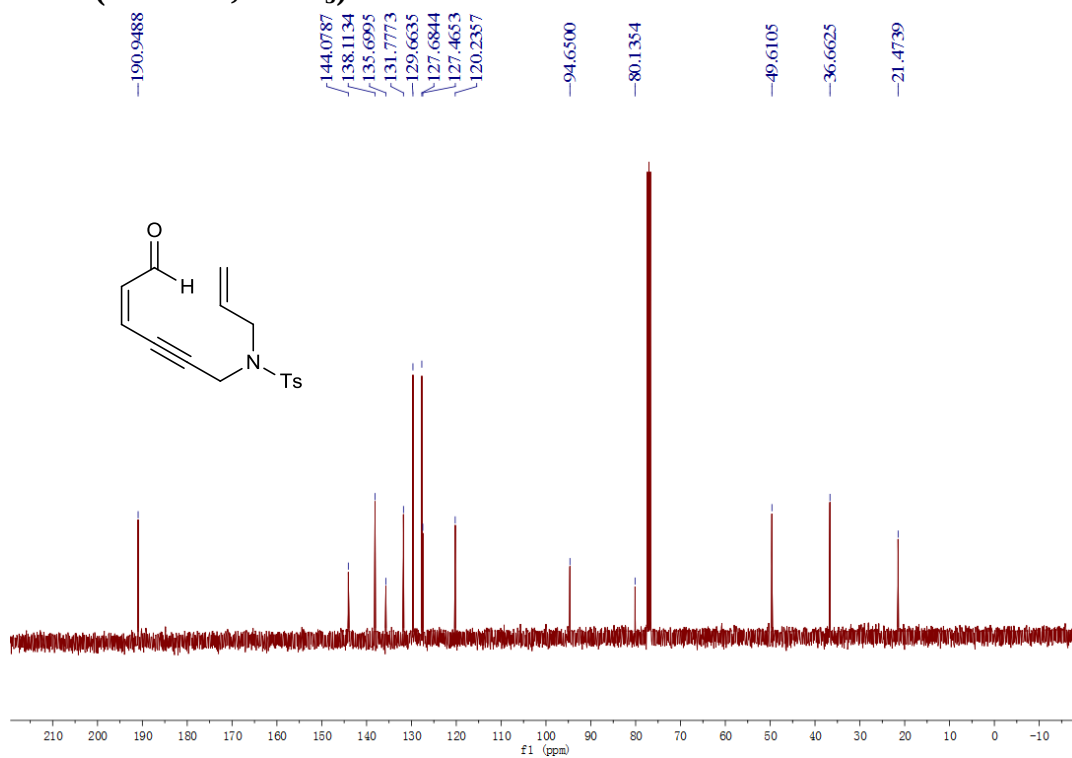
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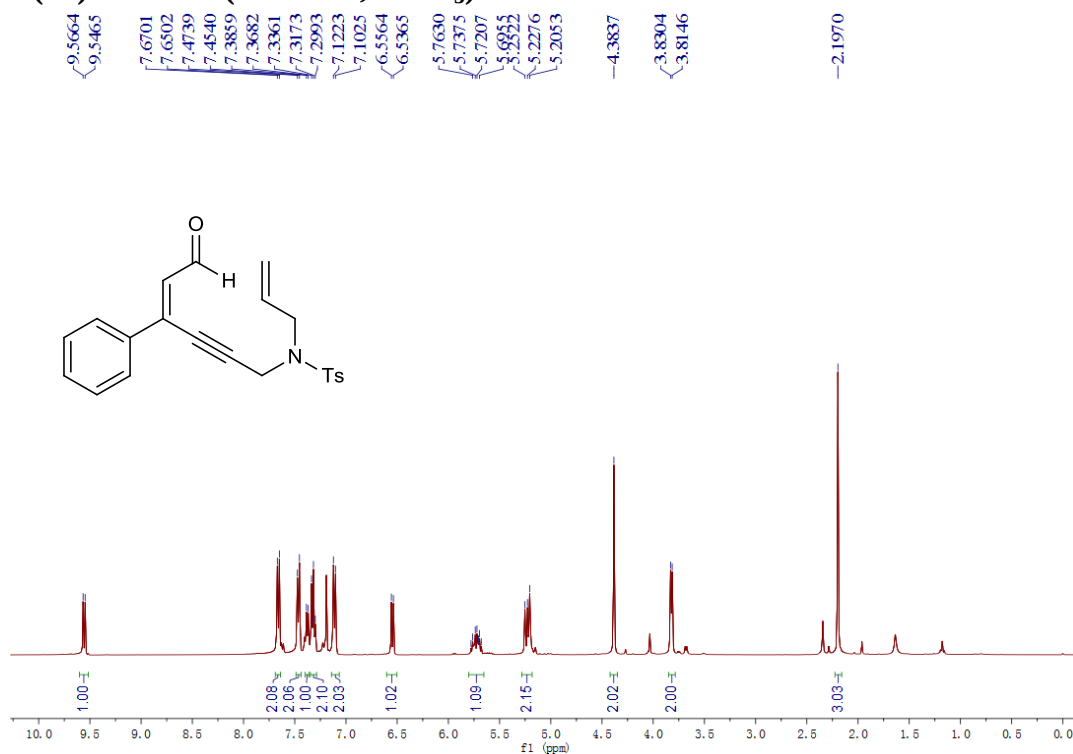
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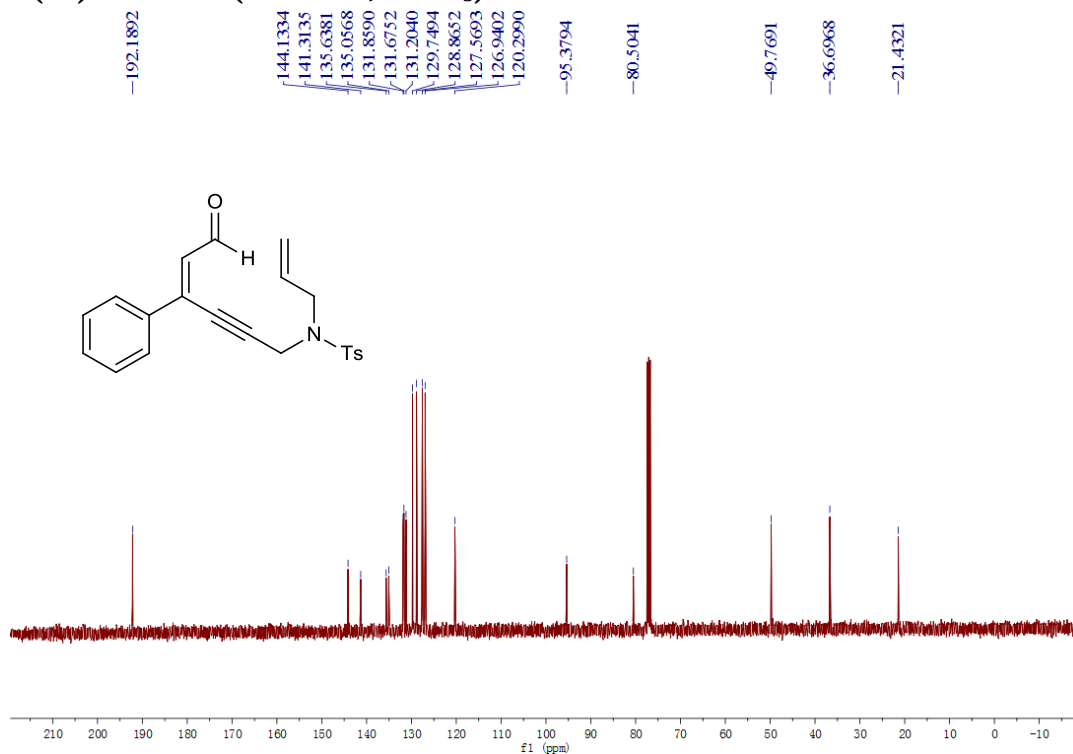
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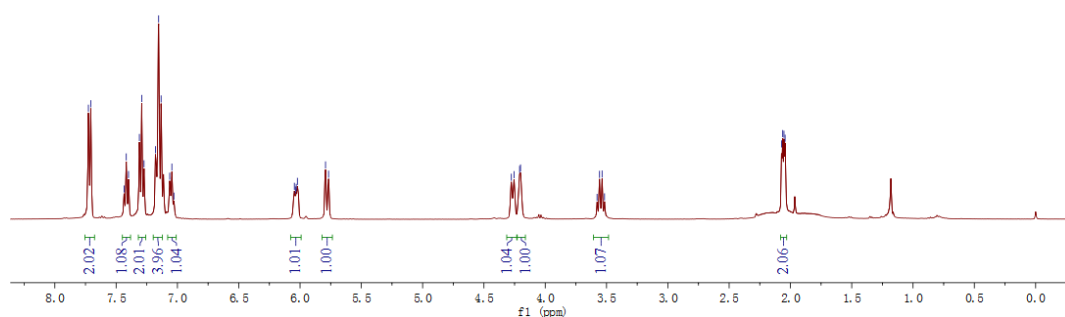
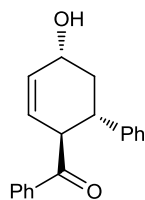
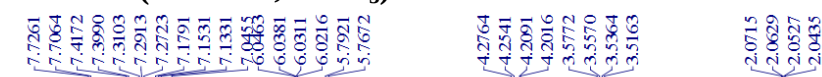


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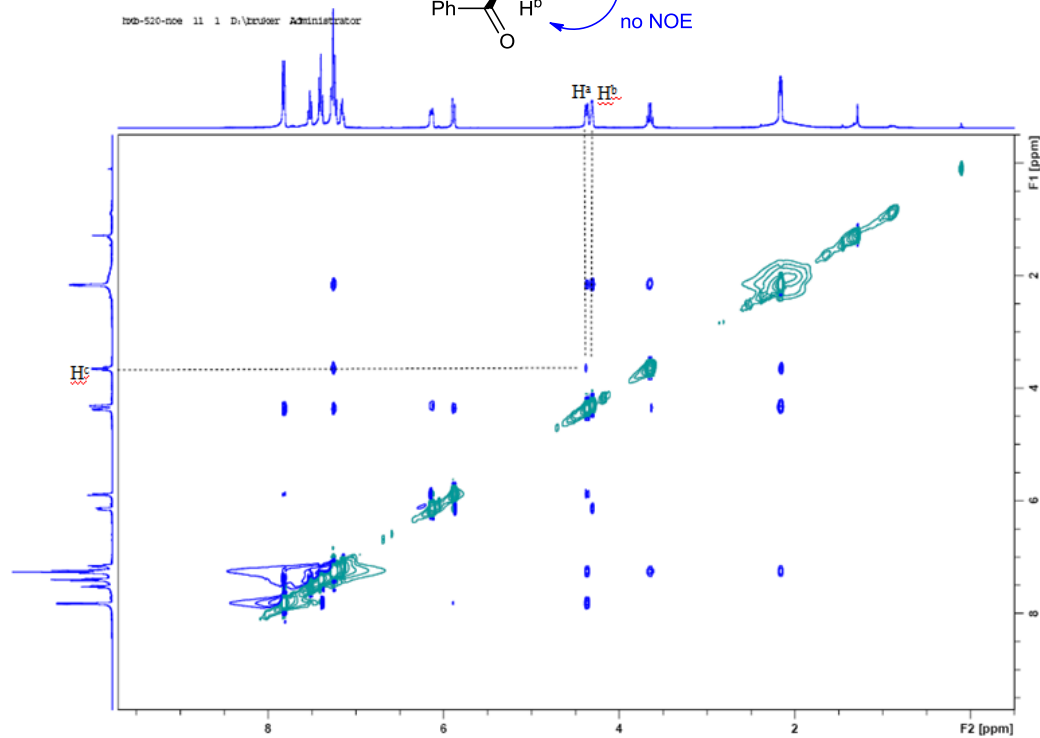
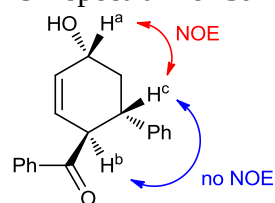


(5-Hydroxy-1,2,5,6-tetrahydro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yl)(phenyl)methanone (5a)

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3)

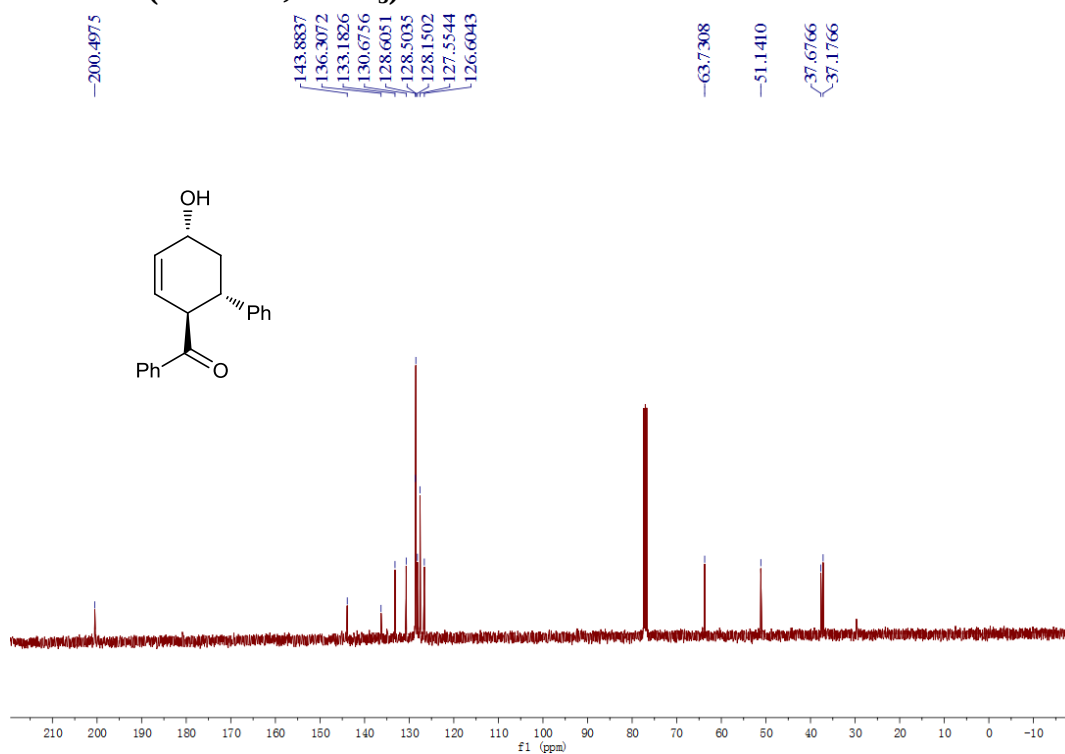


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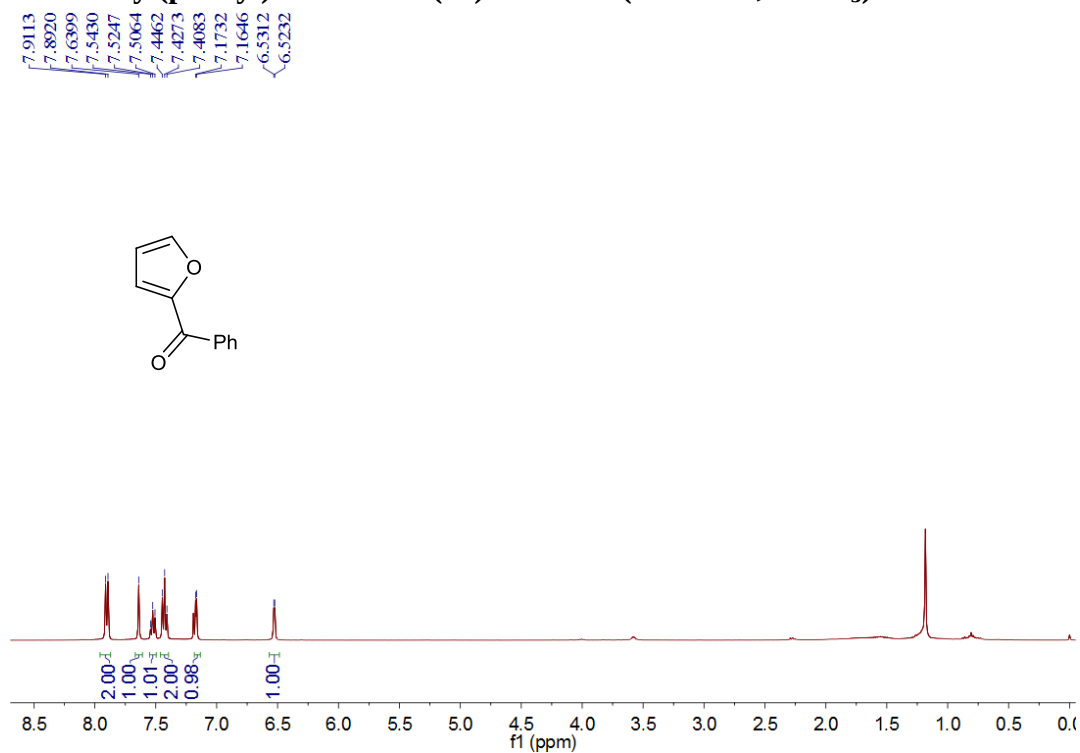


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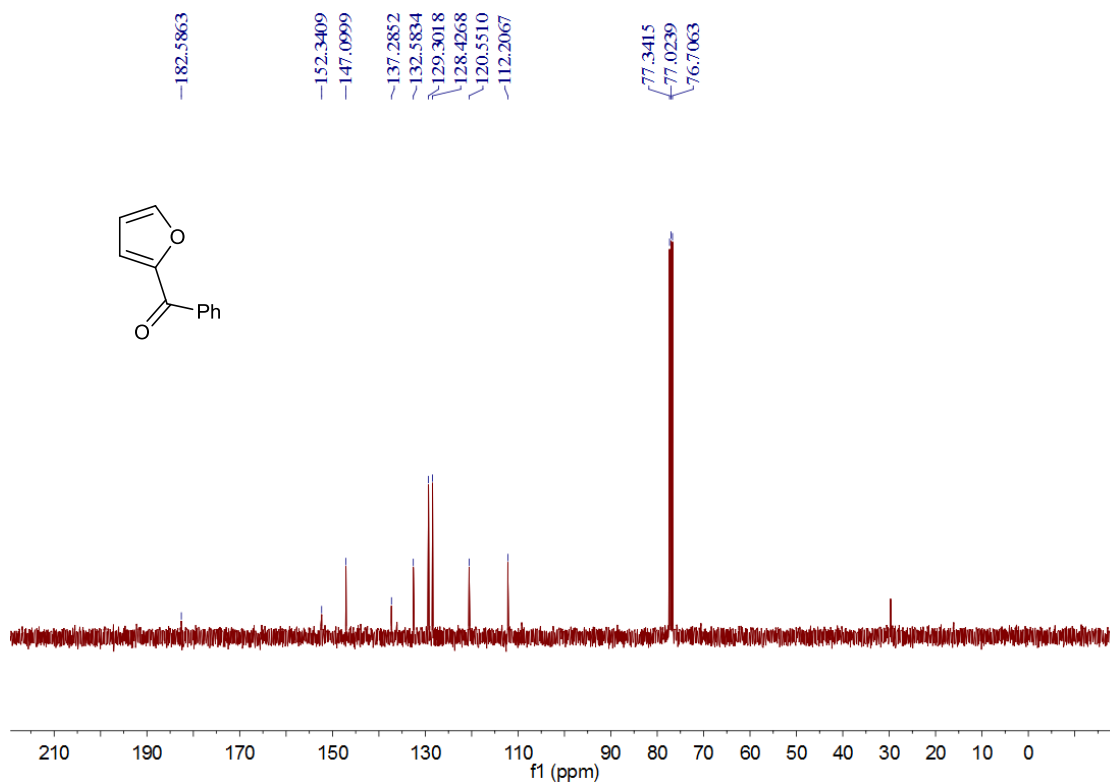
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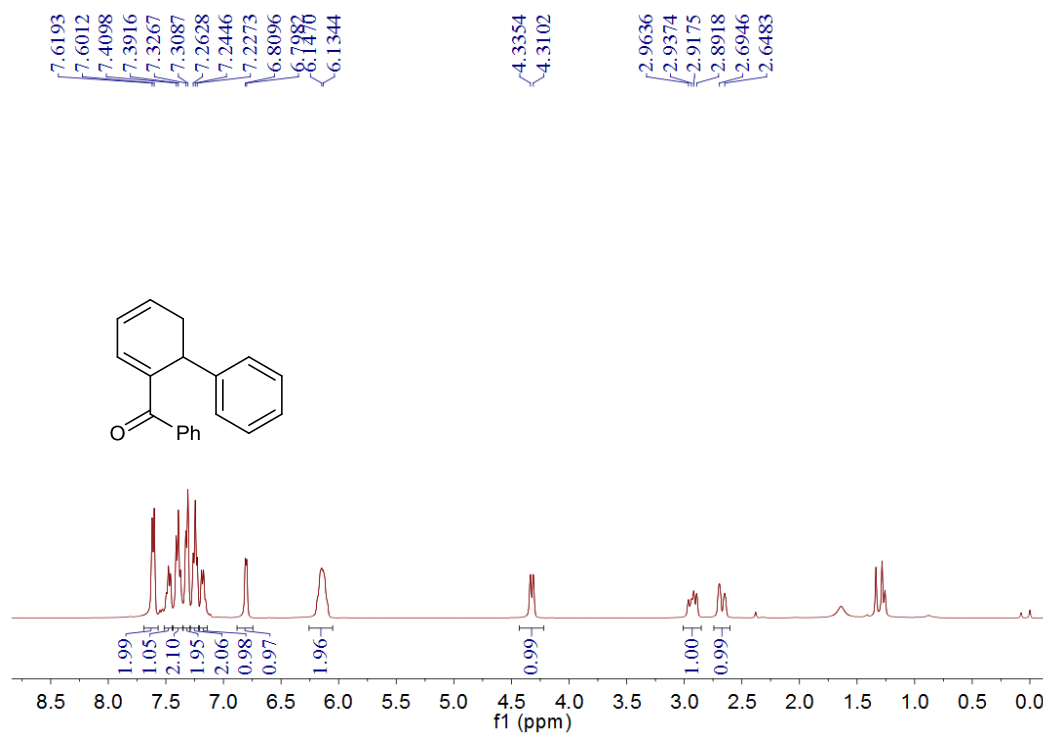
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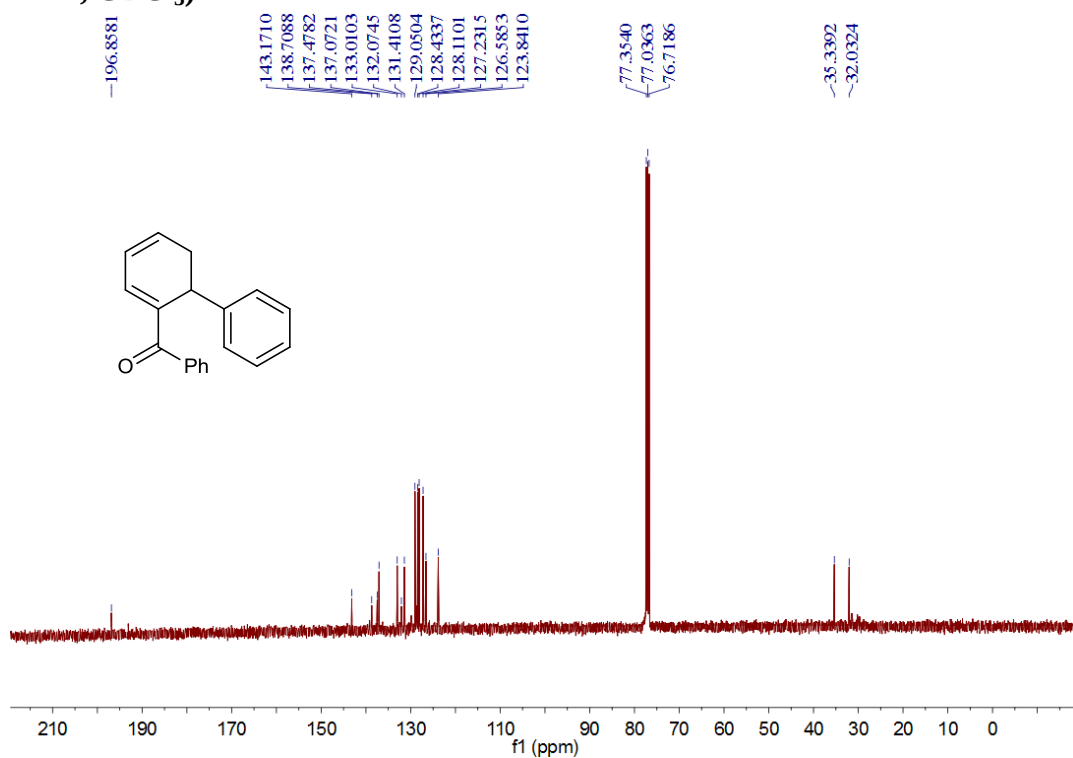
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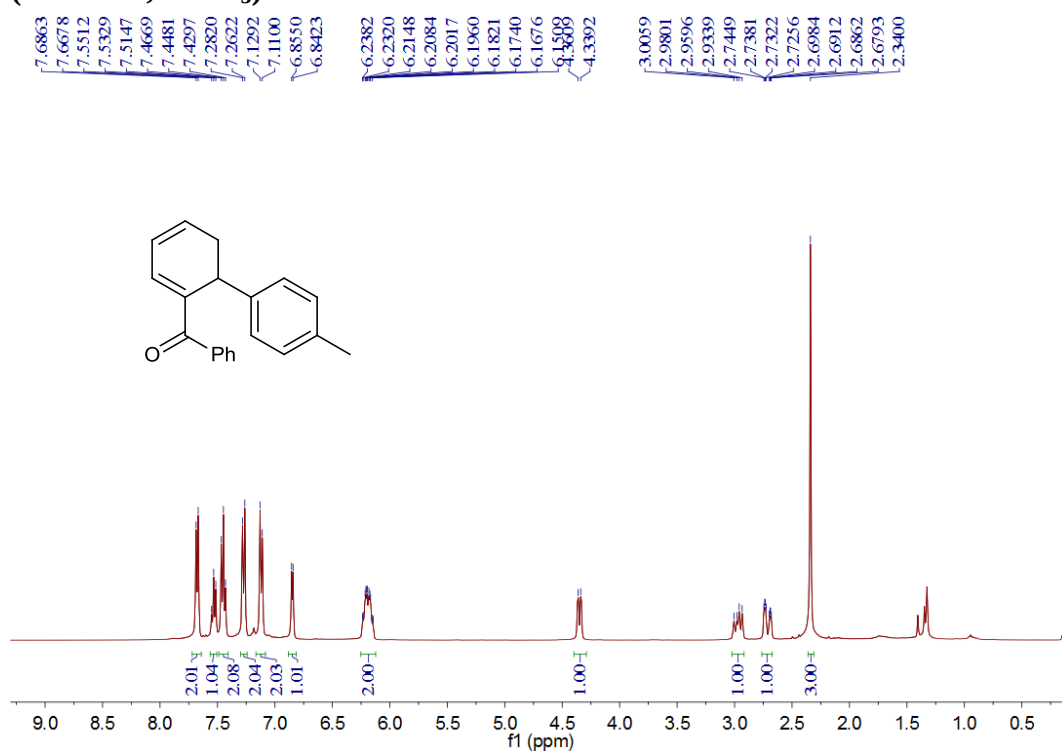
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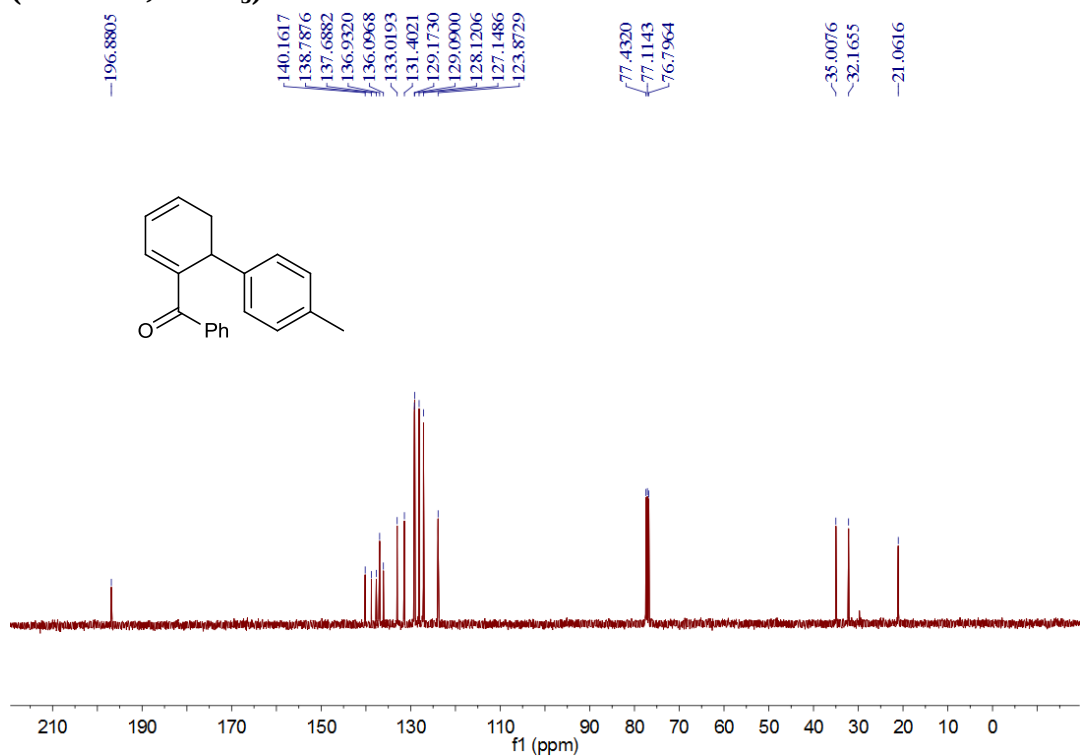
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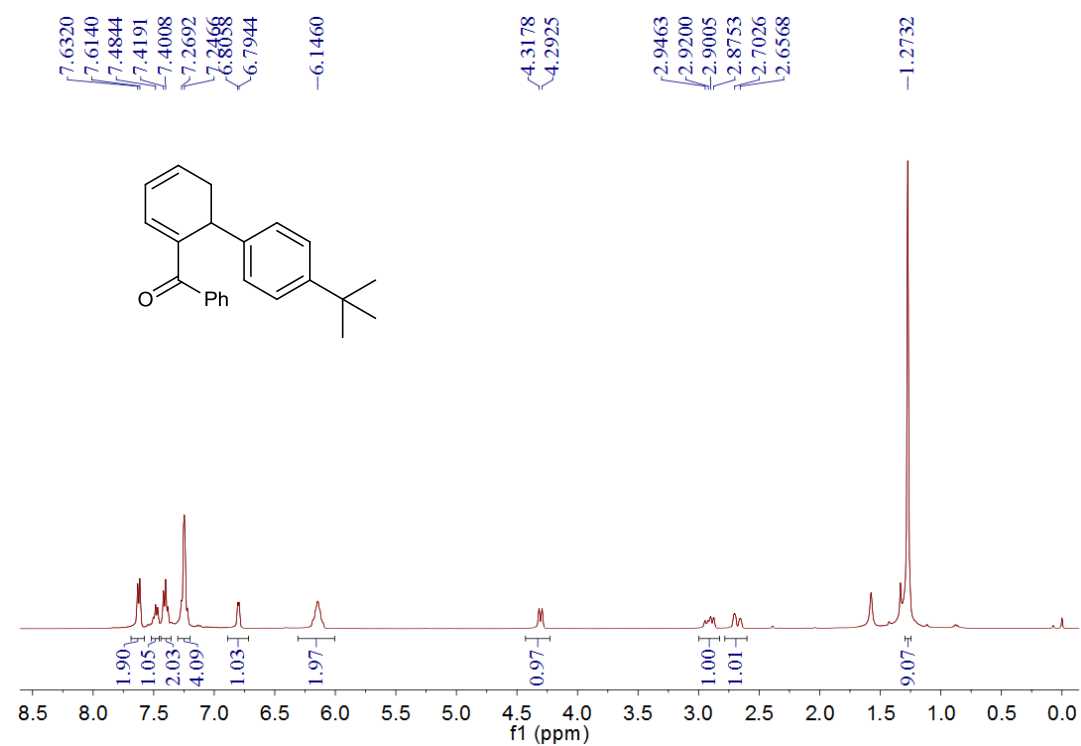
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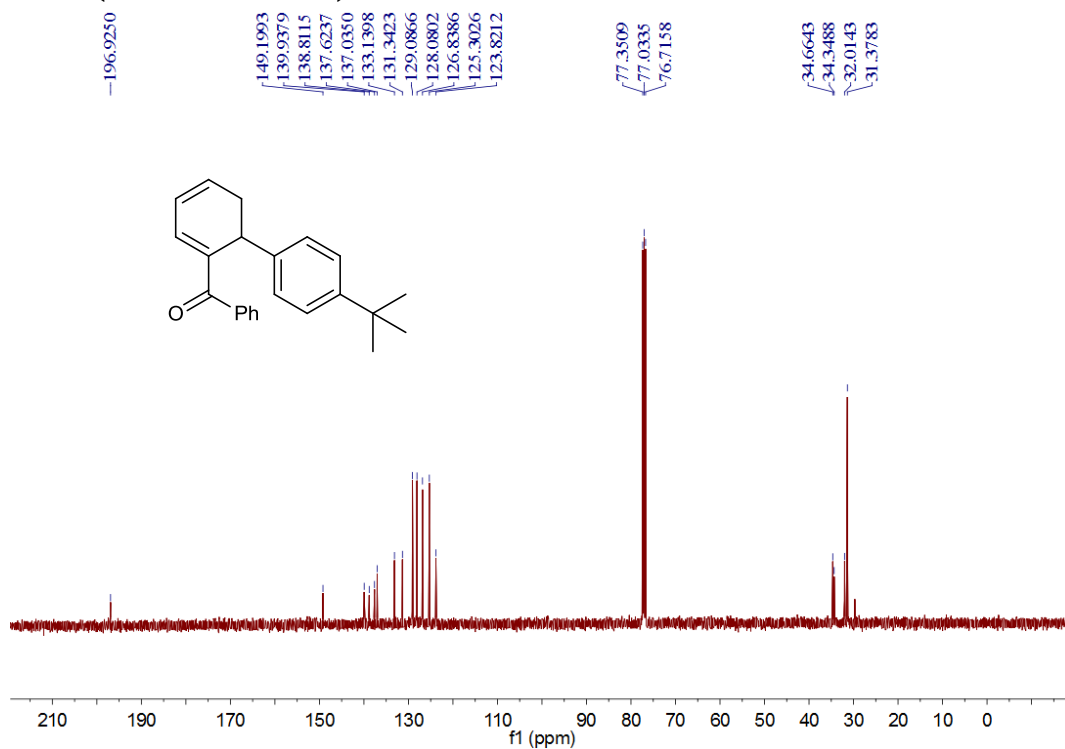
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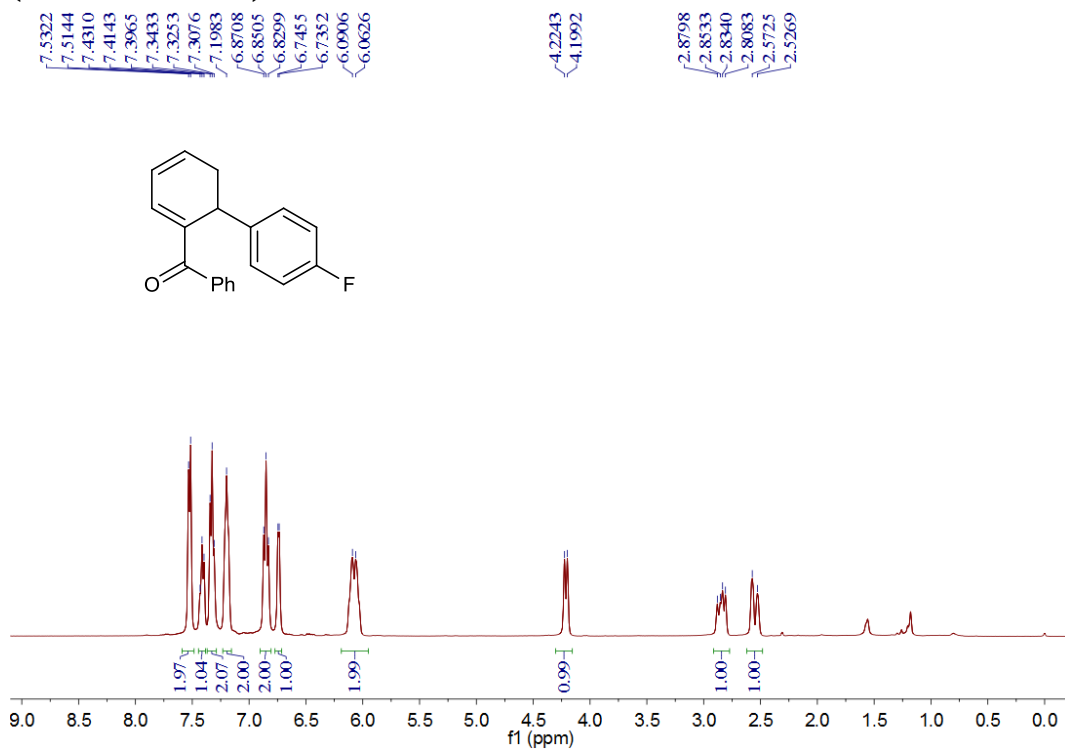
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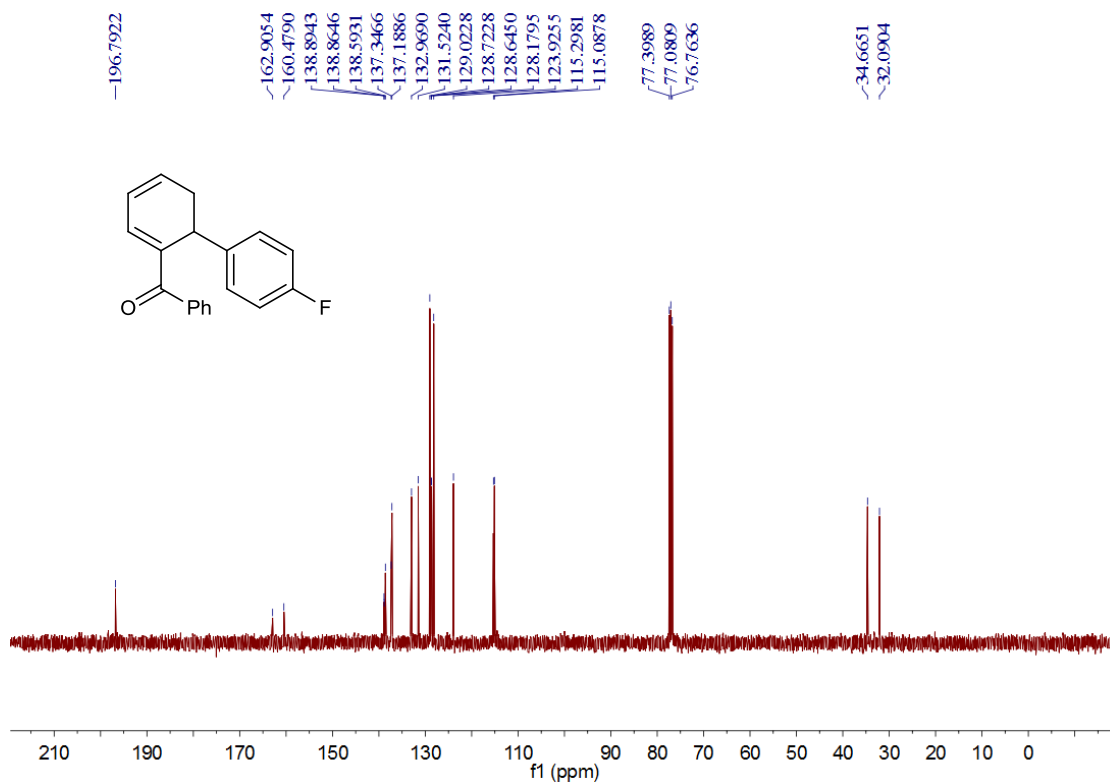
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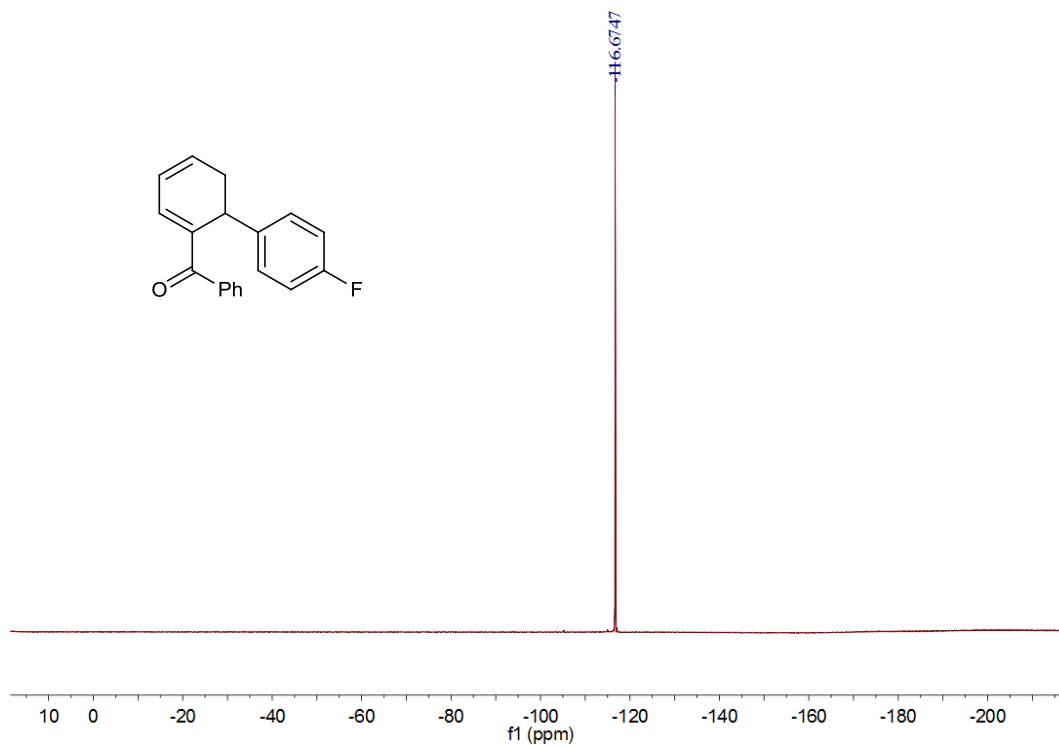
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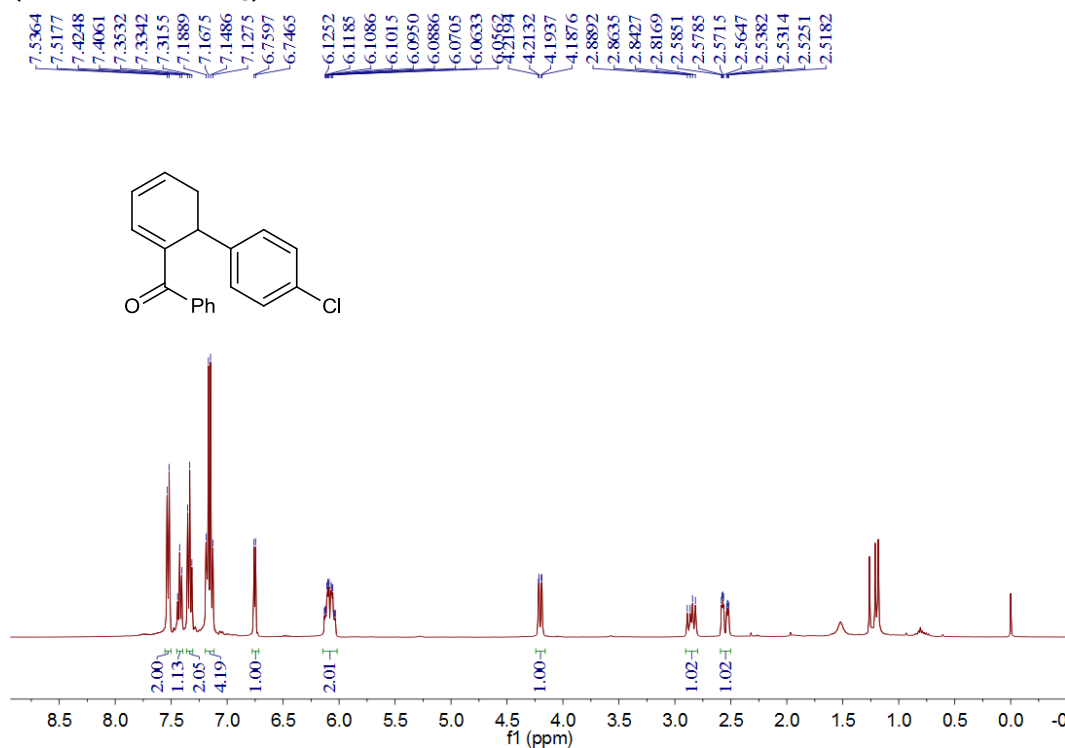
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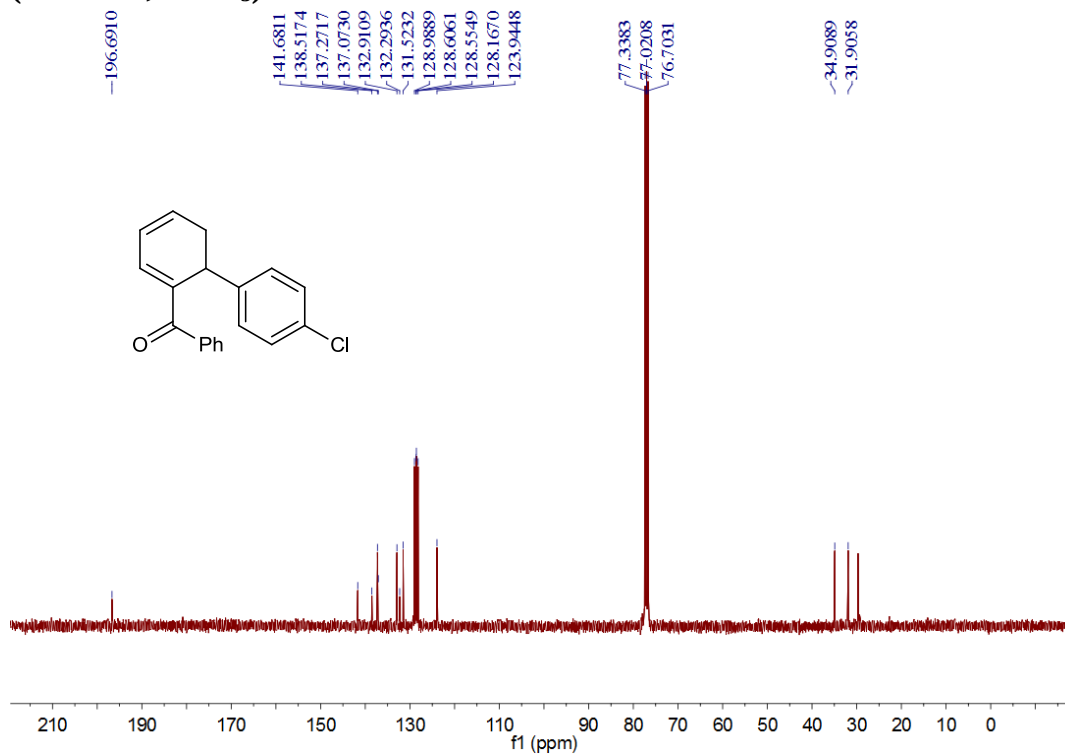
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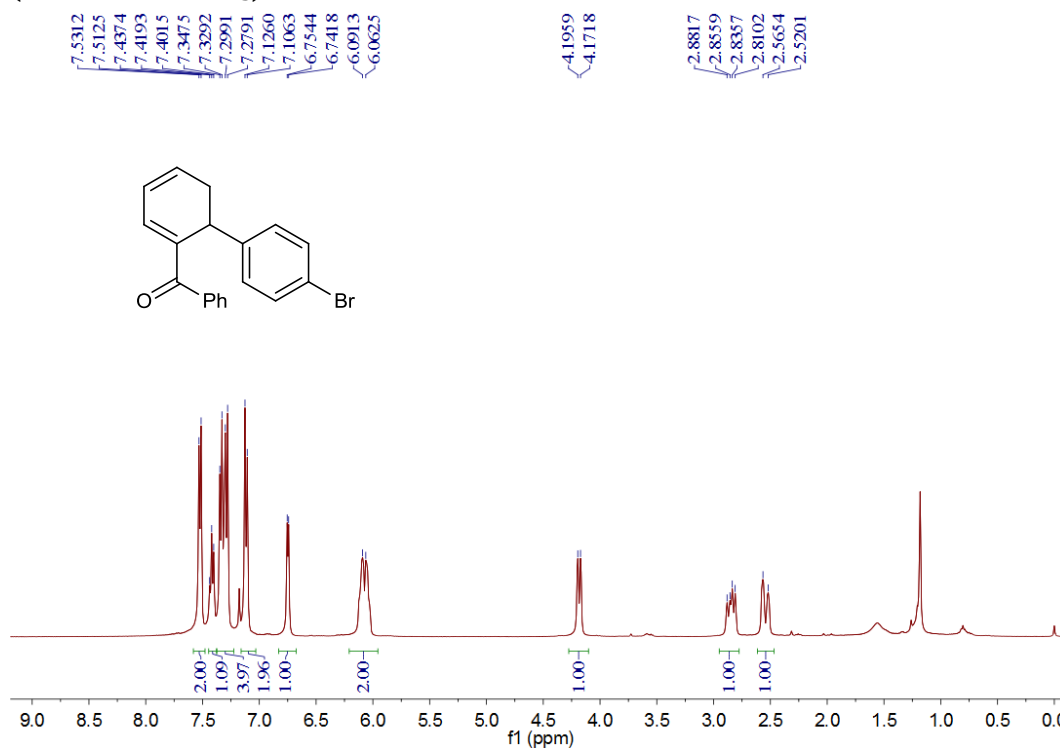
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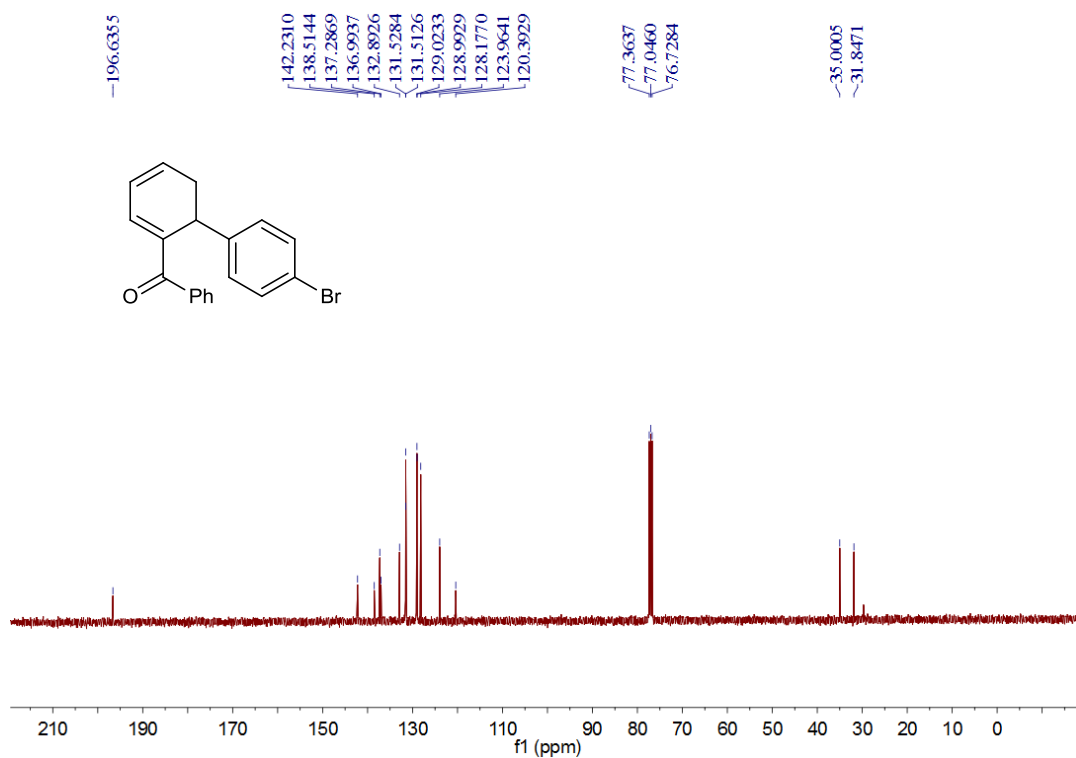
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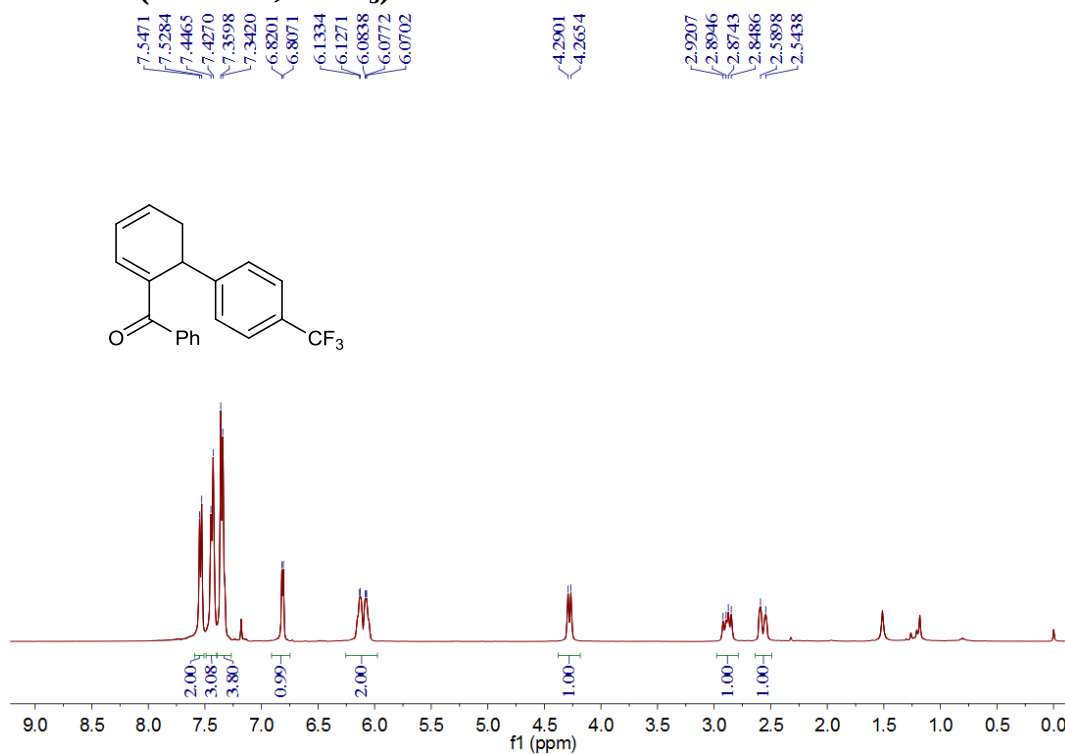


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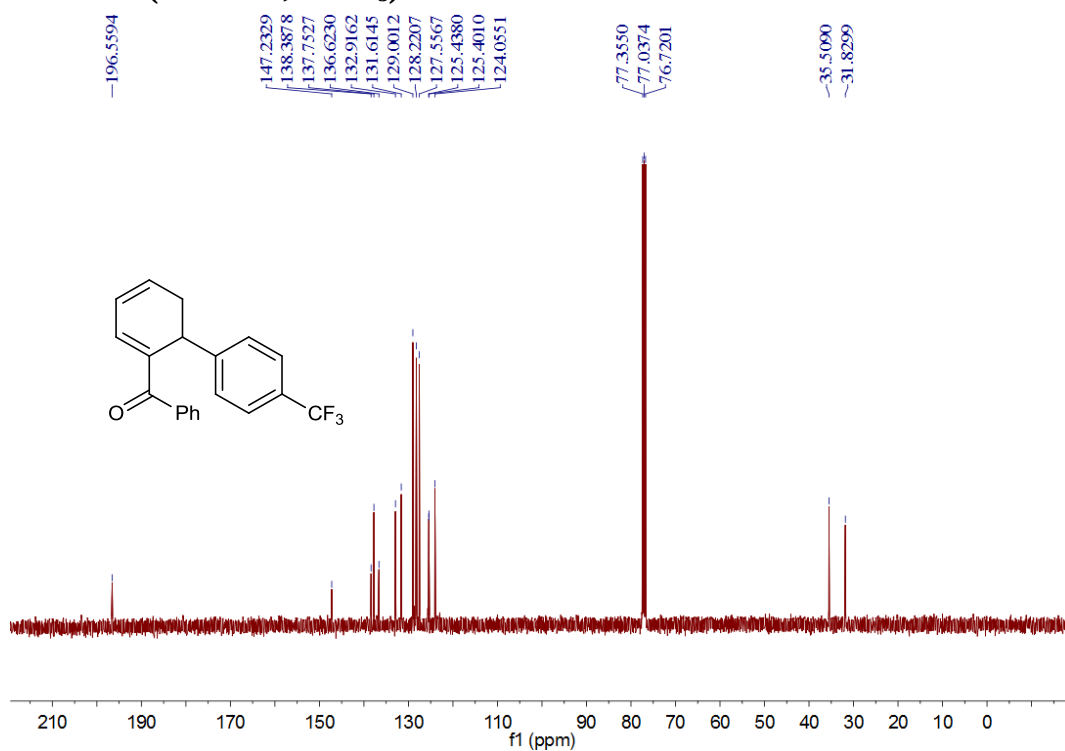
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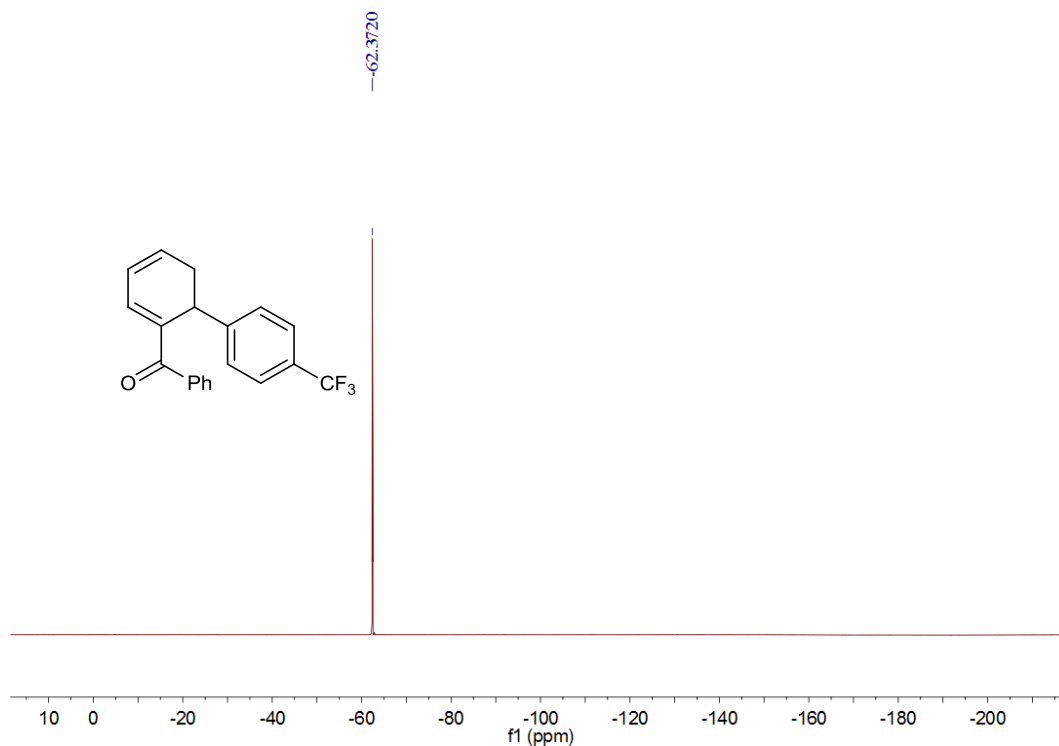


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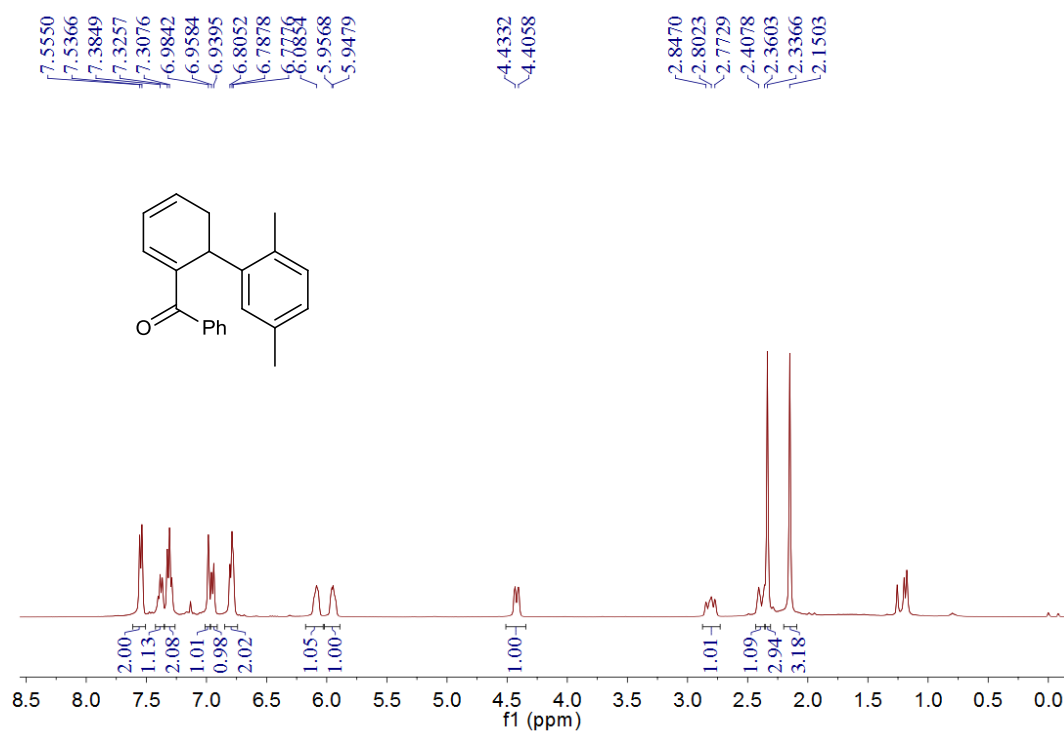
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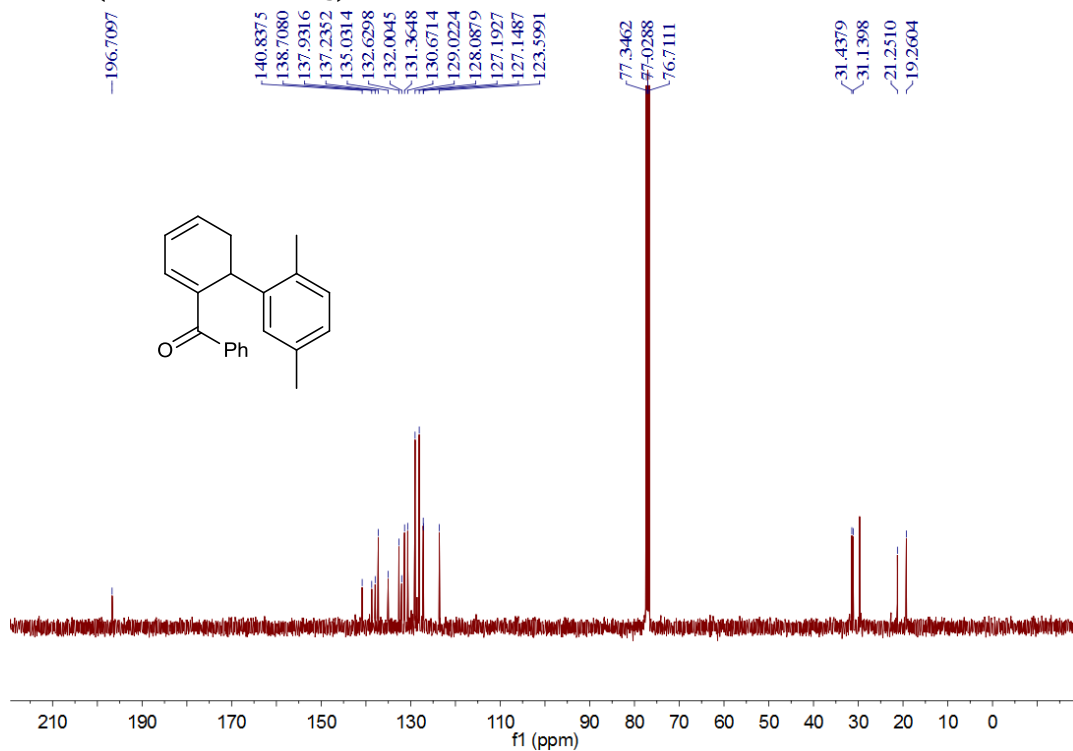
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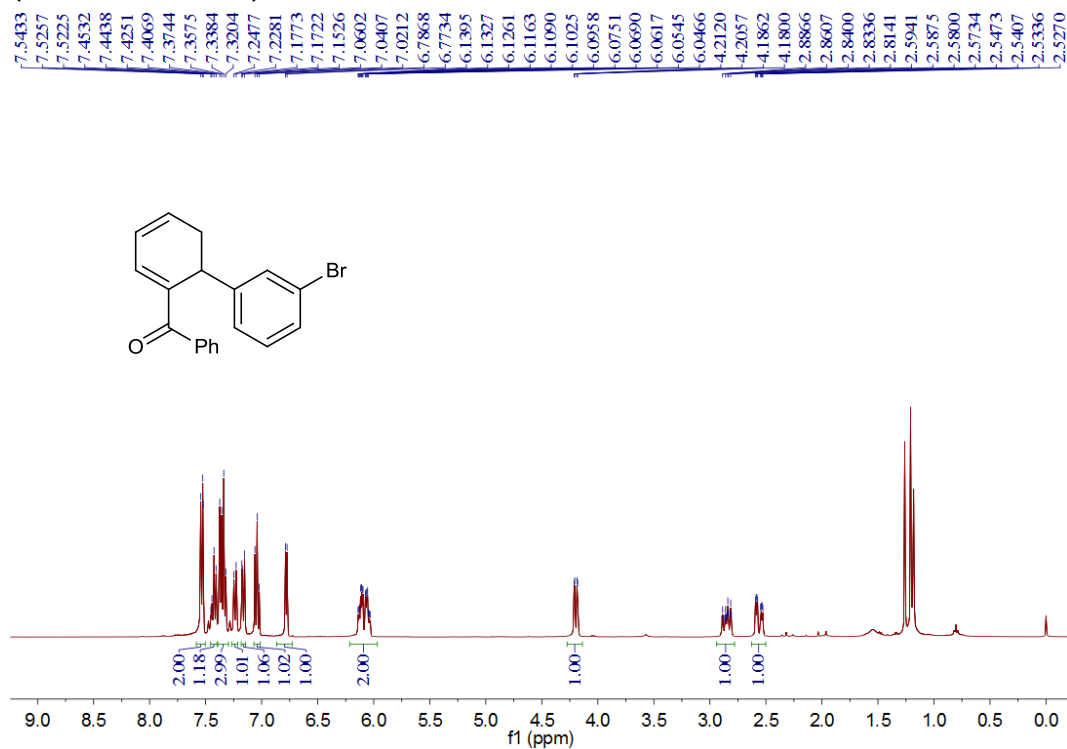
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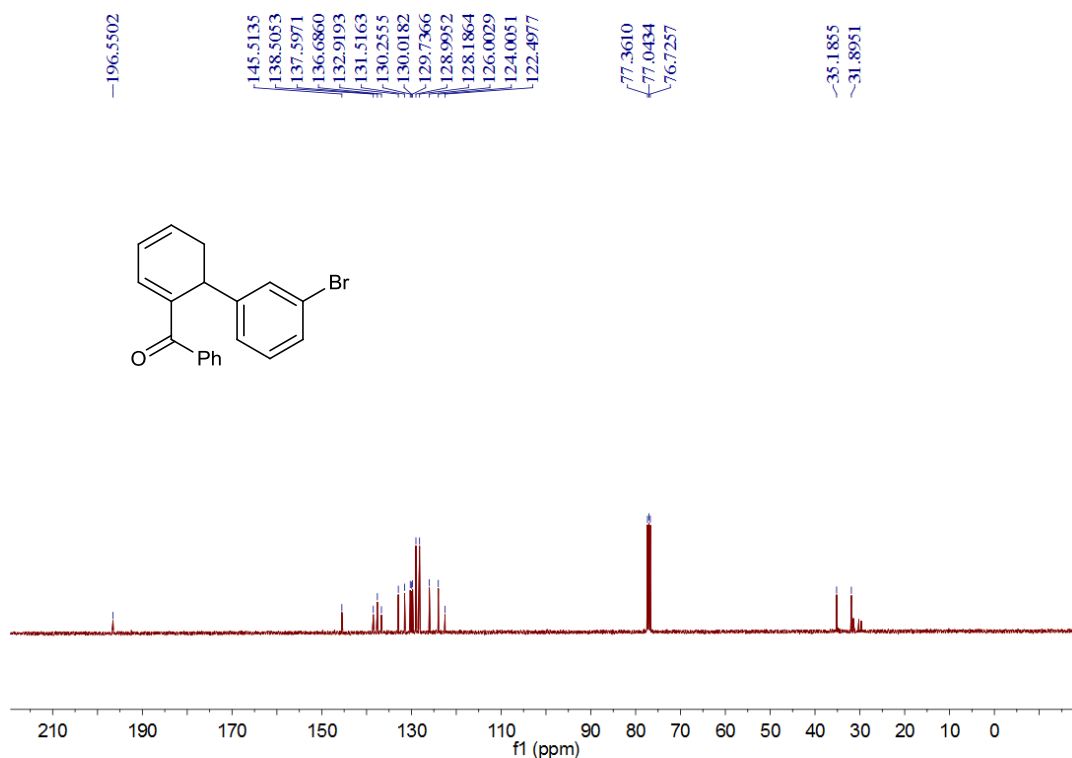
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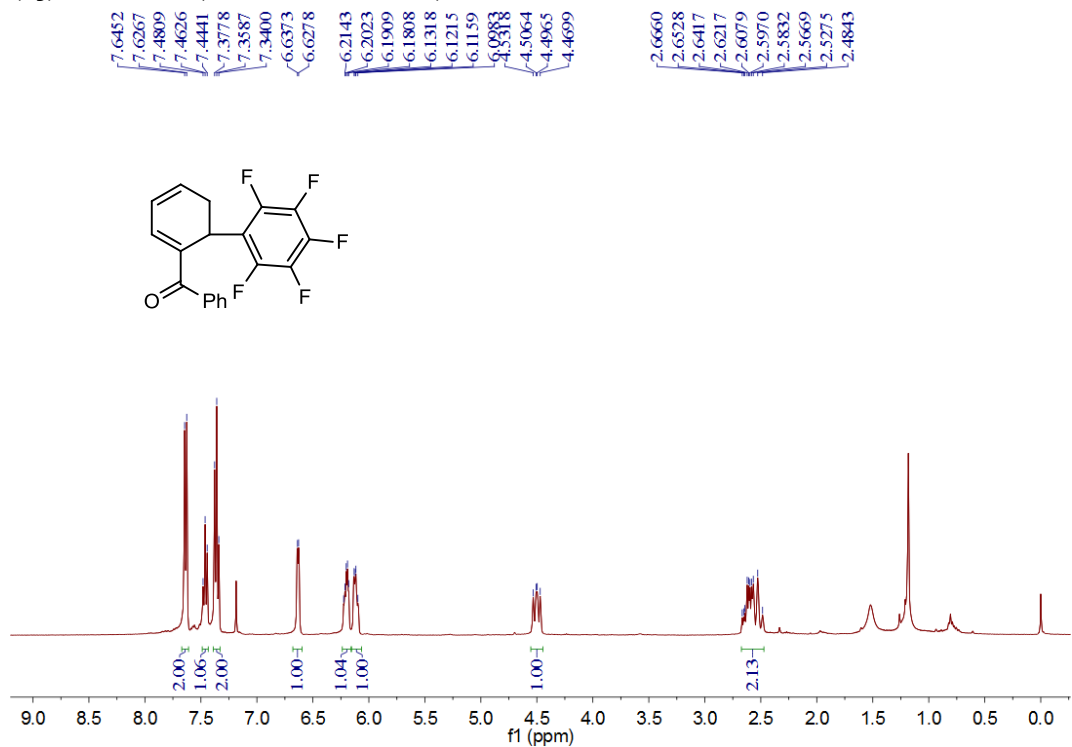
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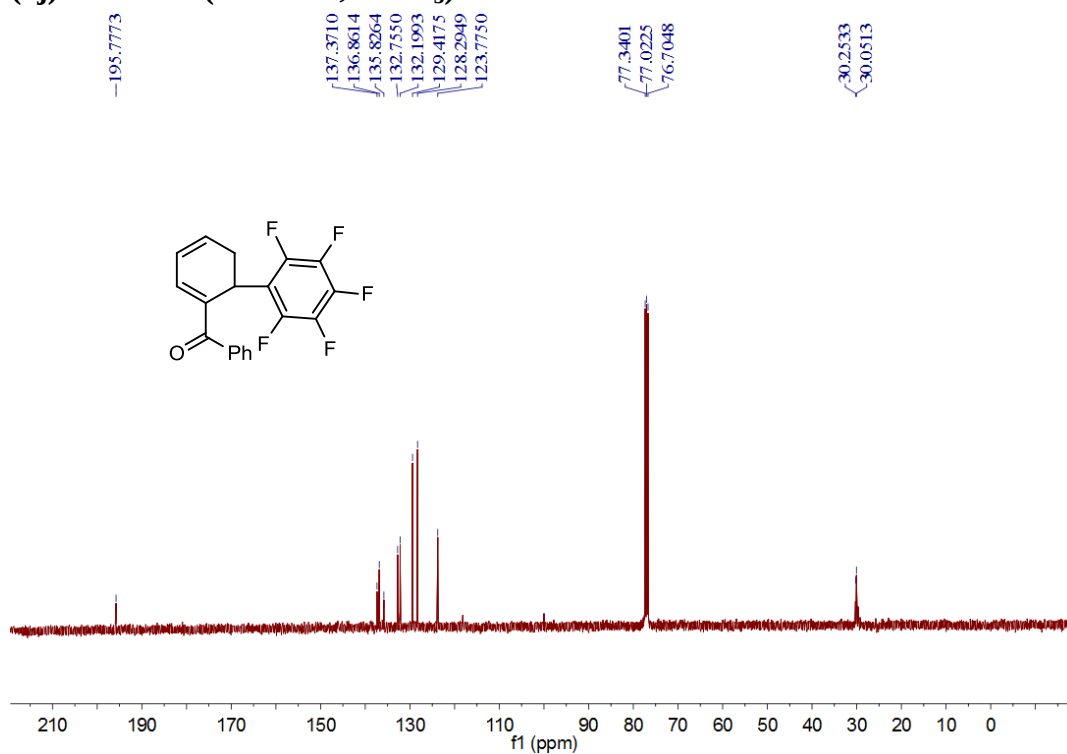
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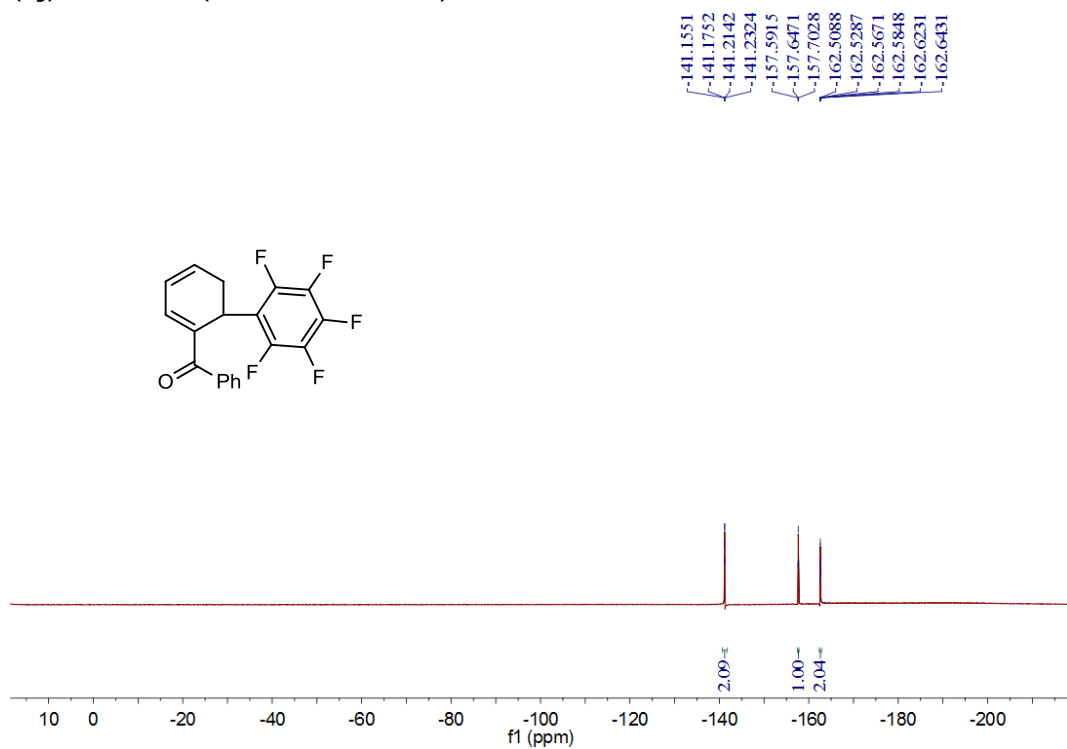
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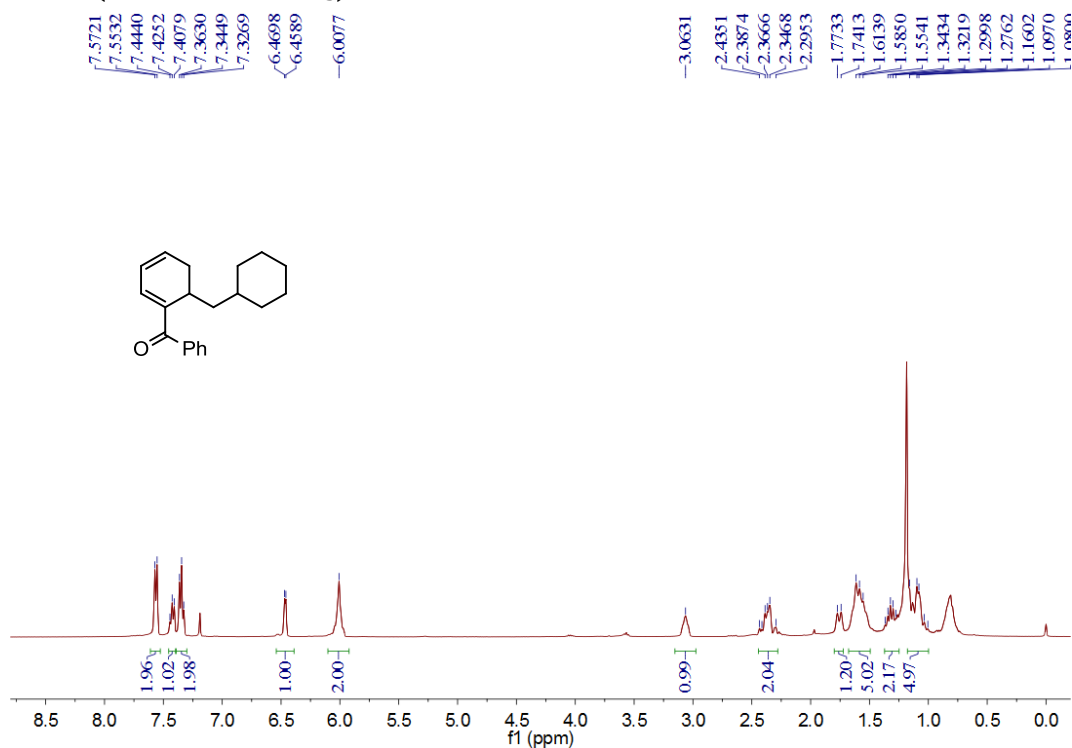
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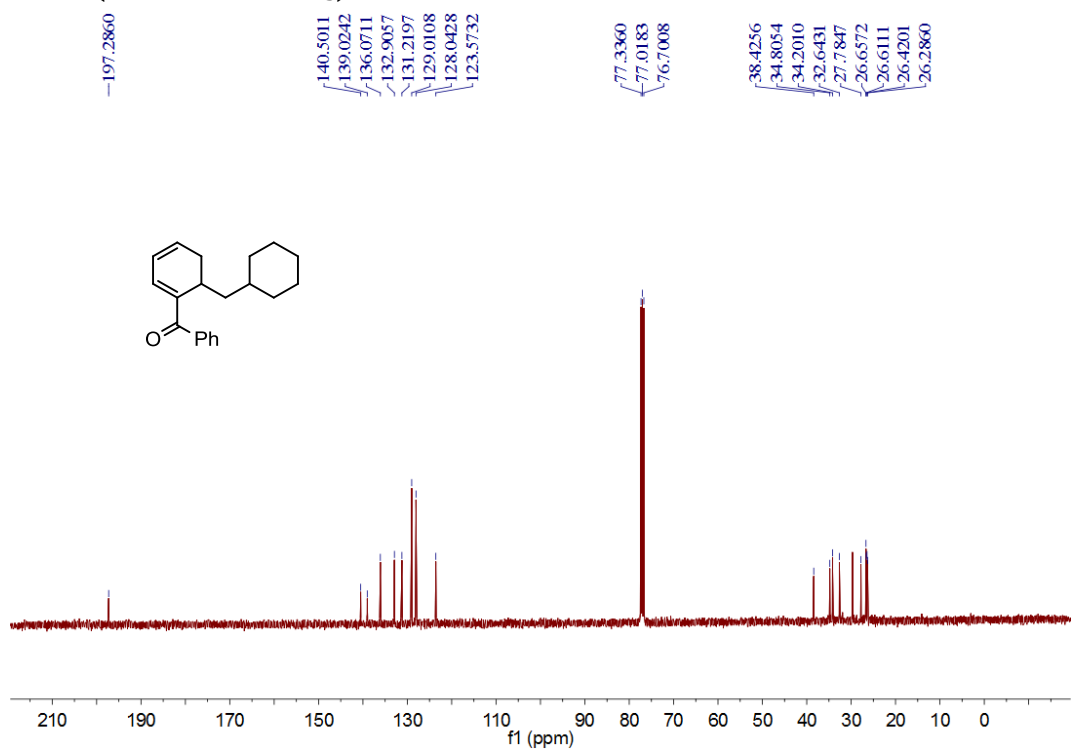
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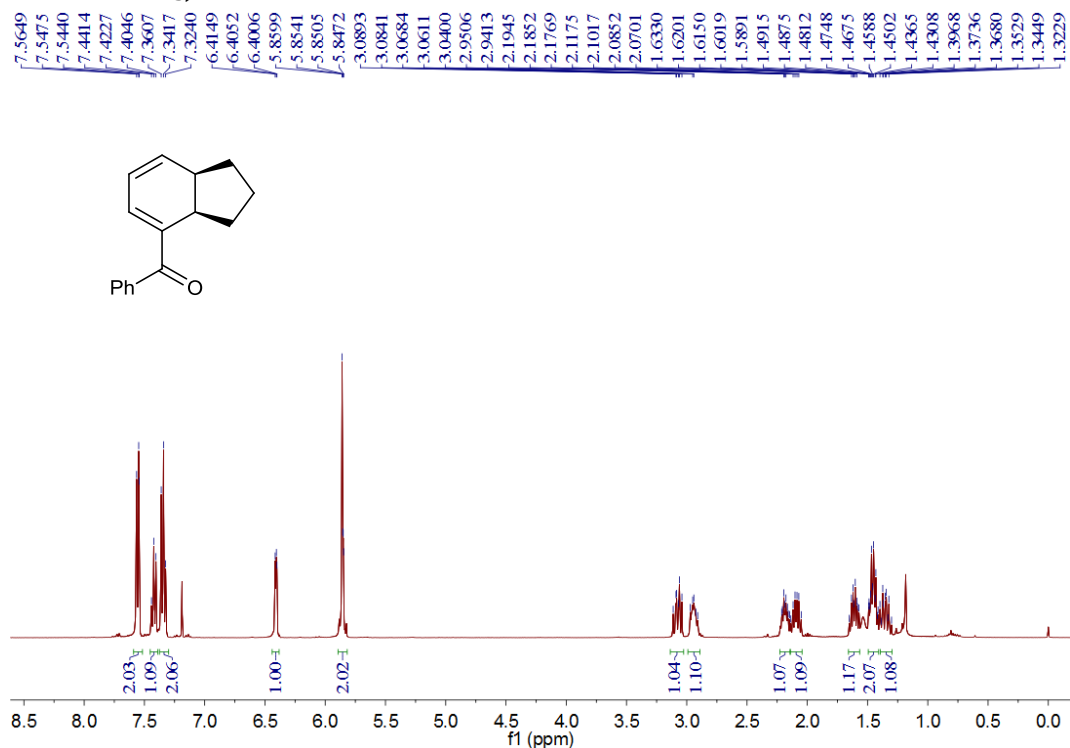
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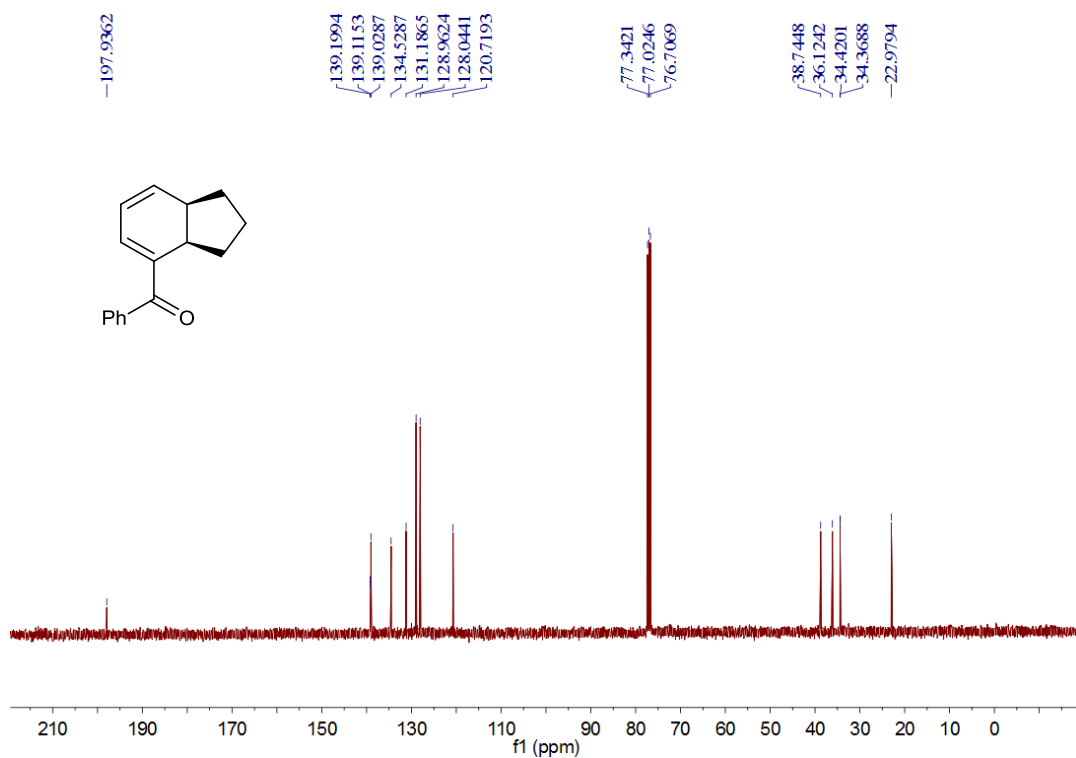
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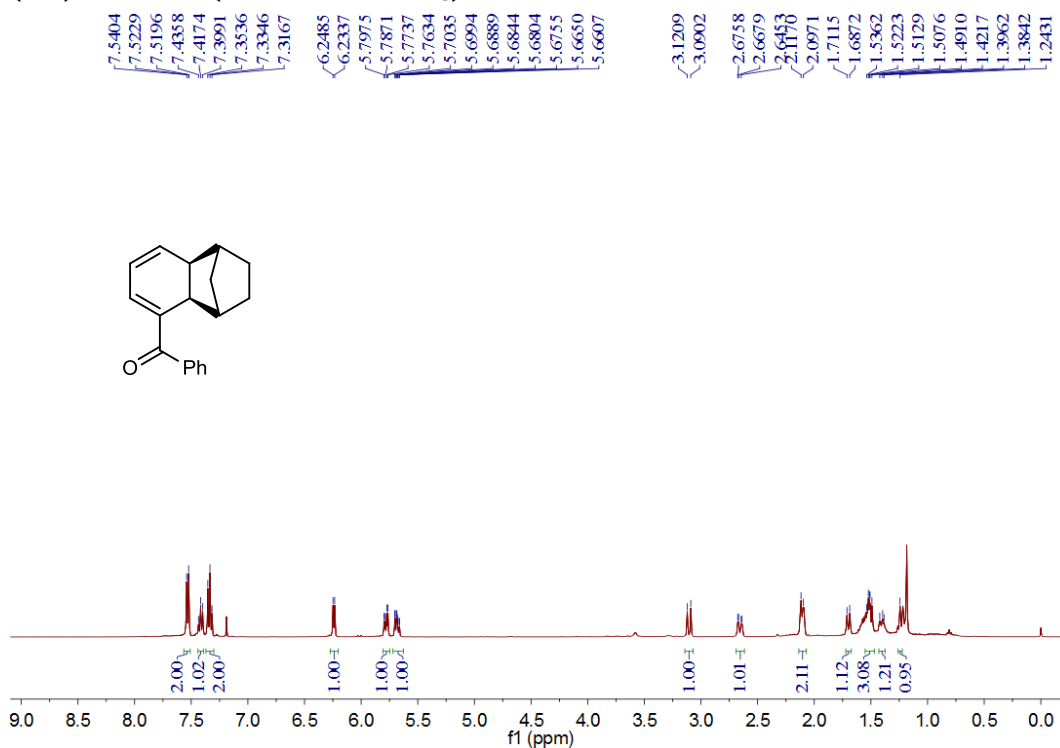
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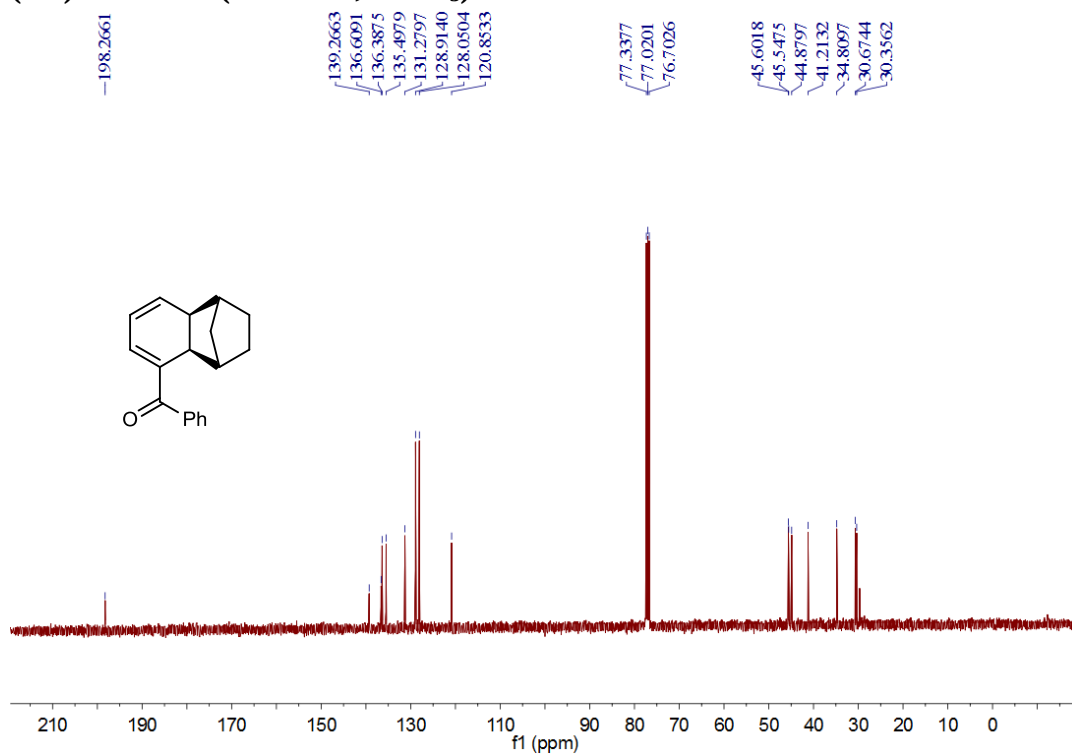
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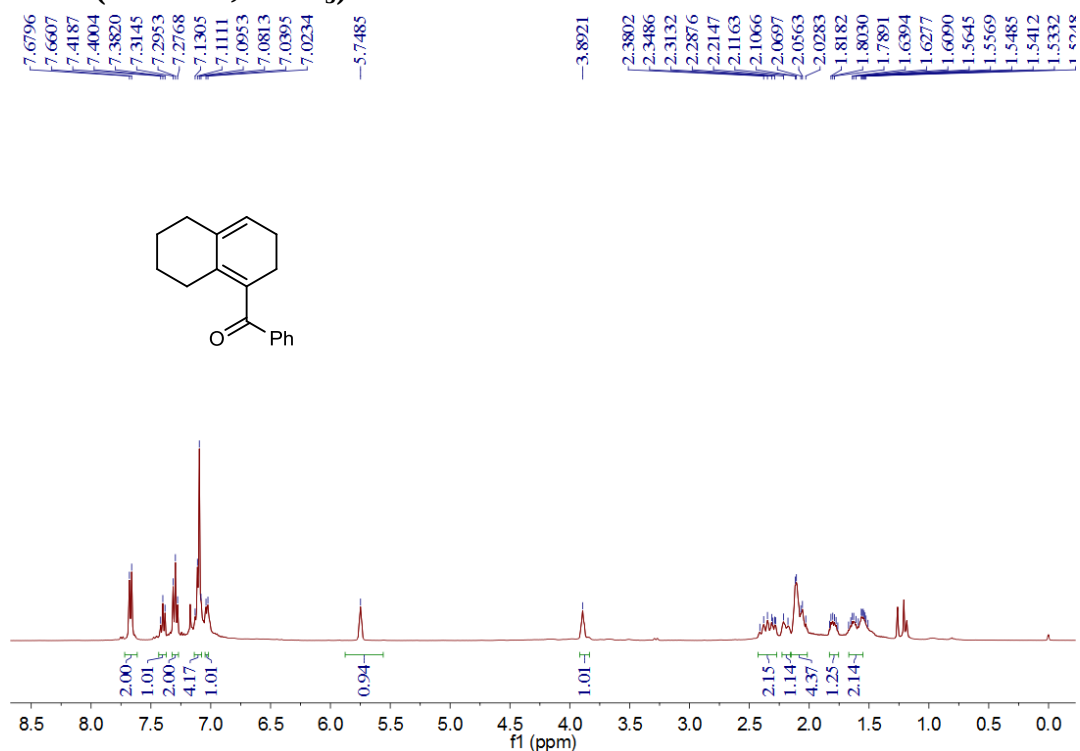
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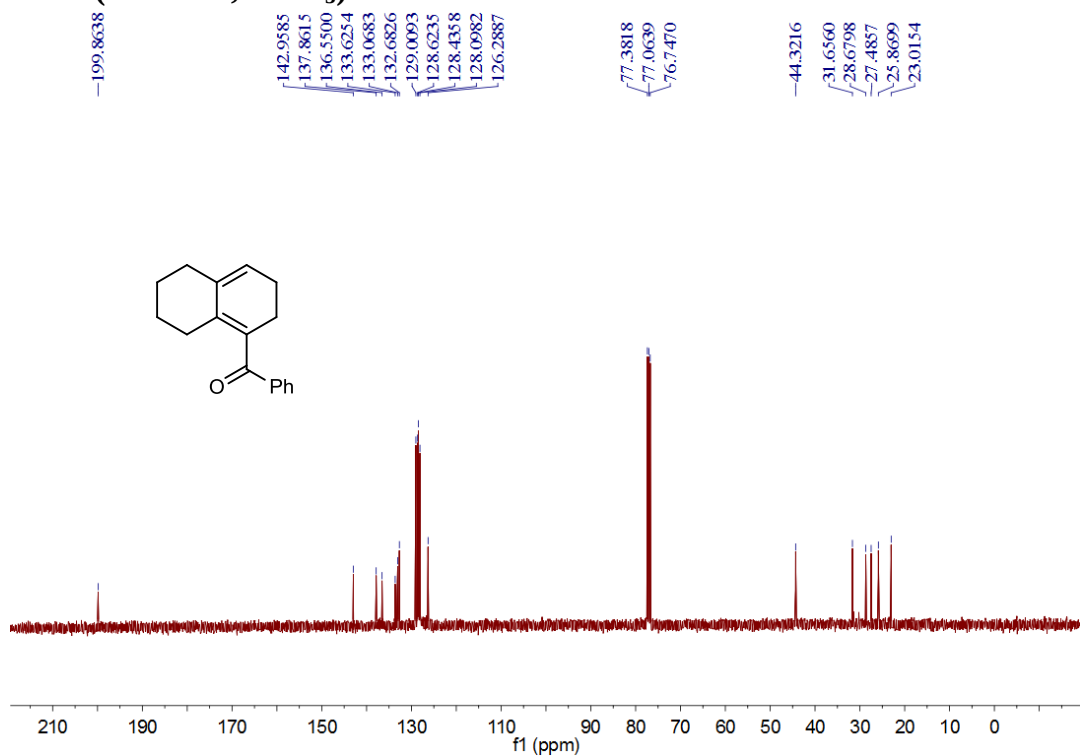
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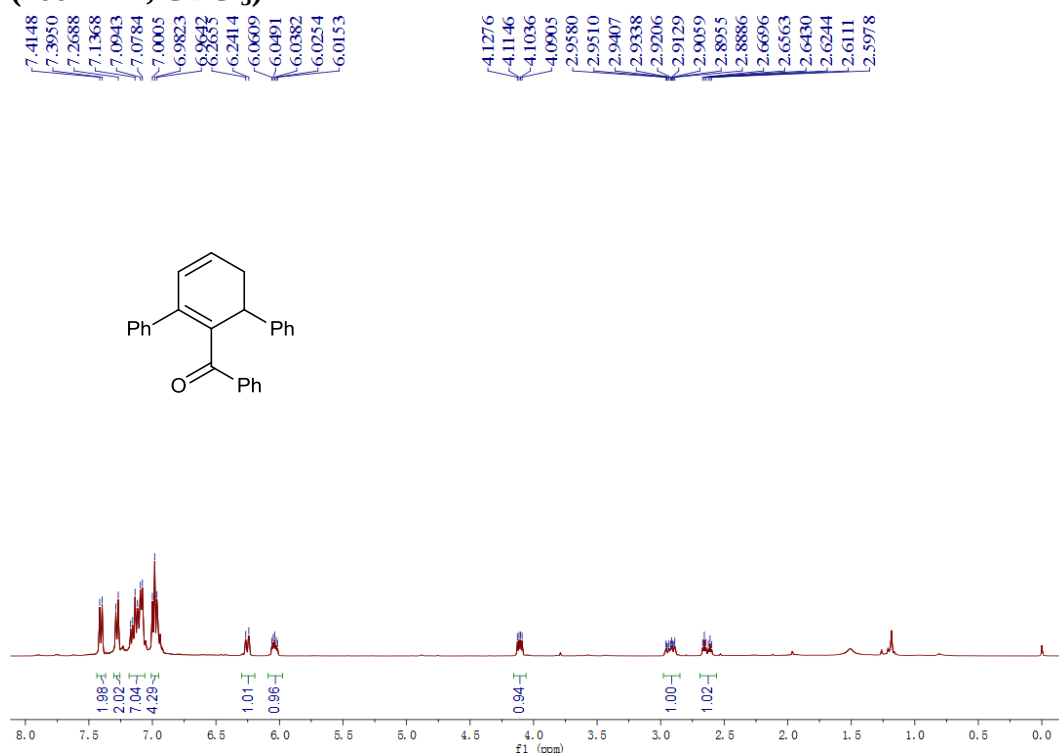
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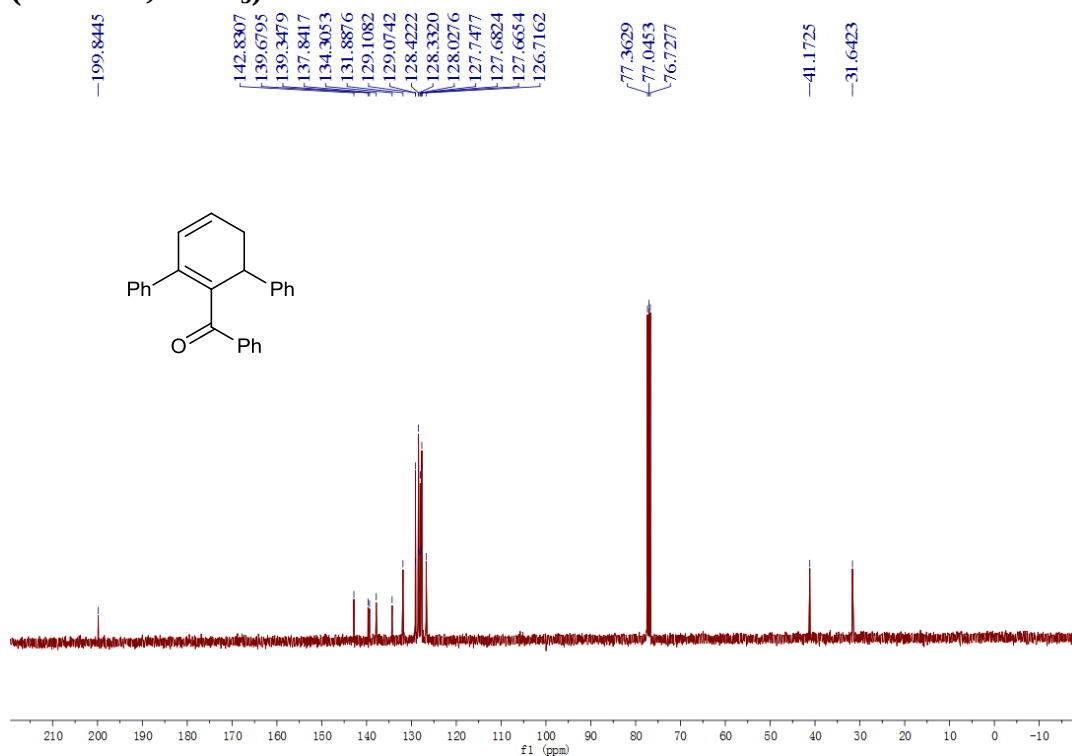
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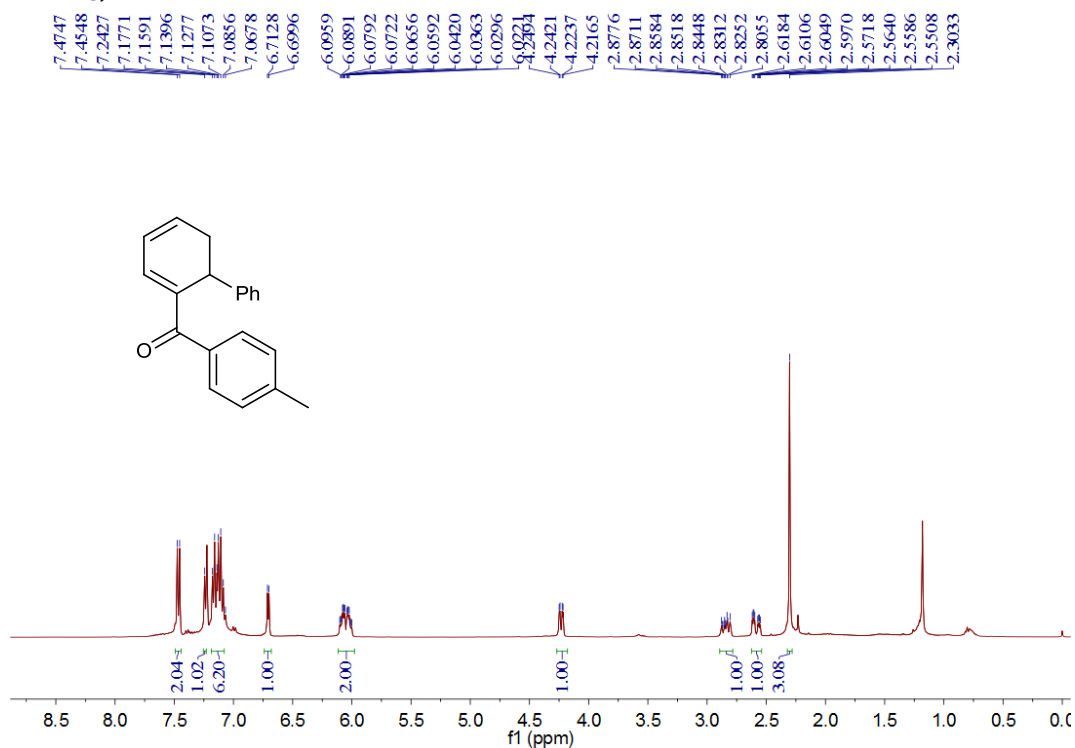
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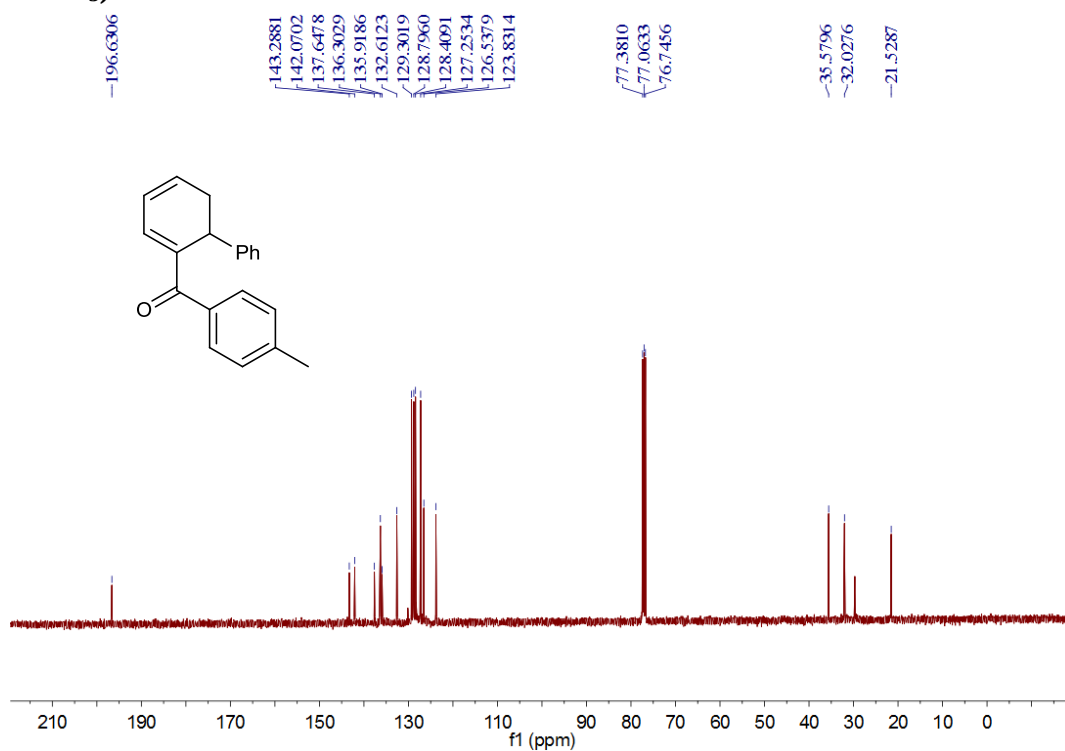
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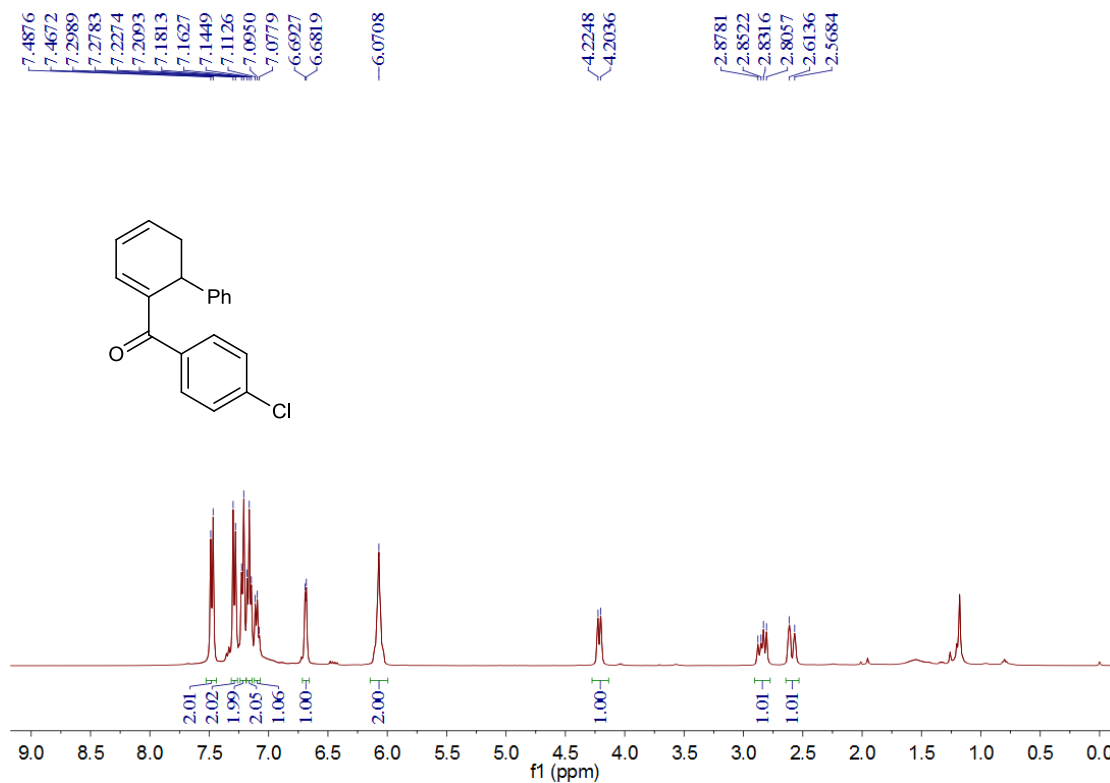
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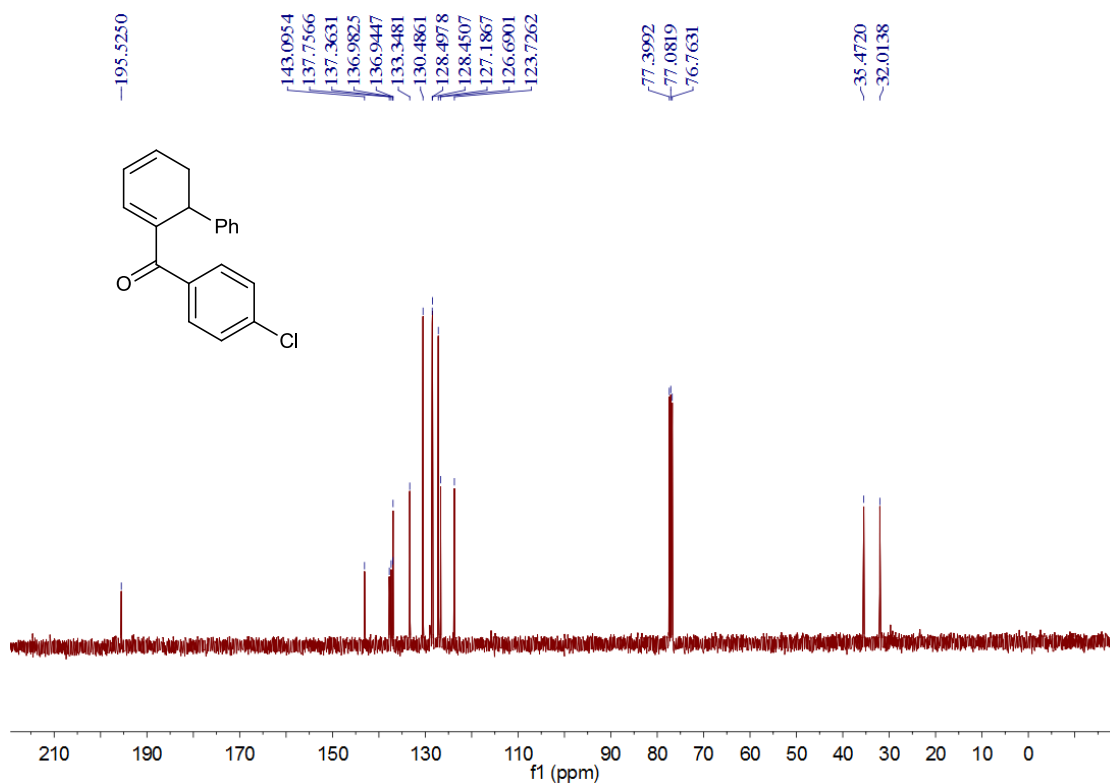
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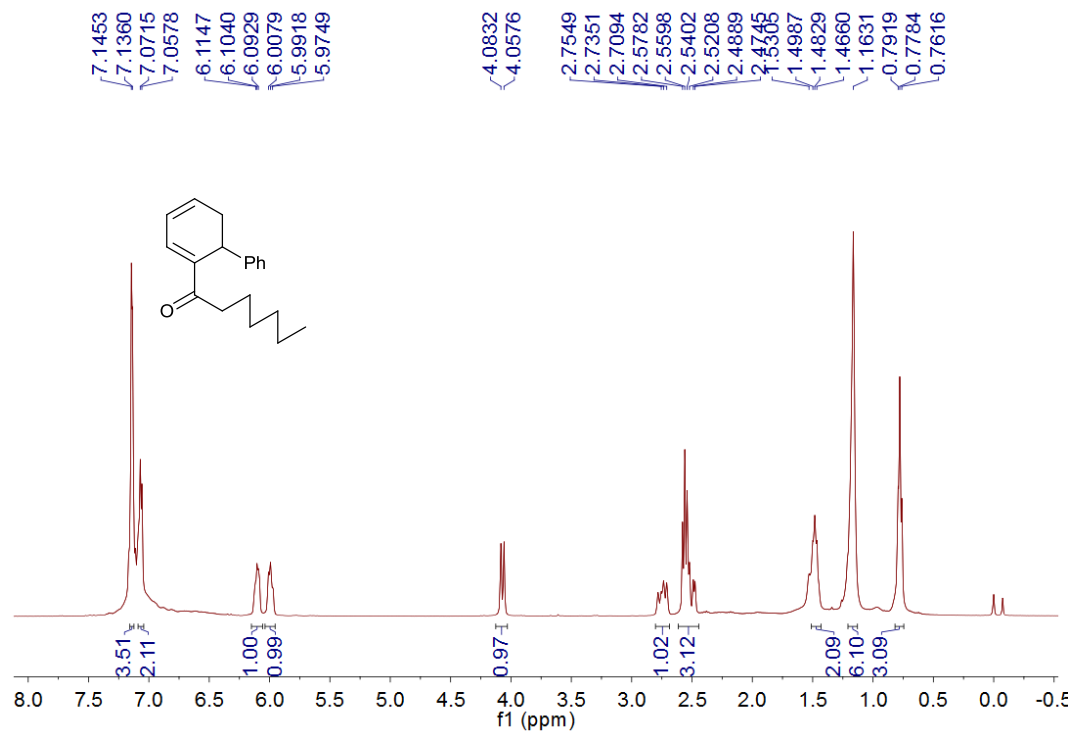
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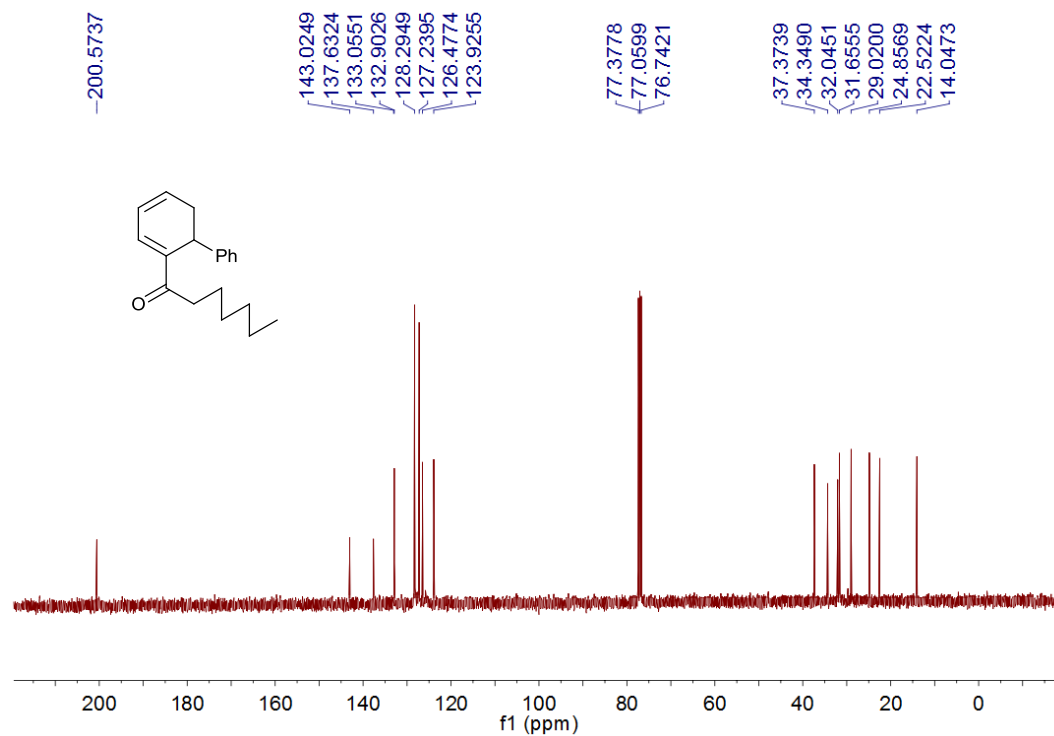
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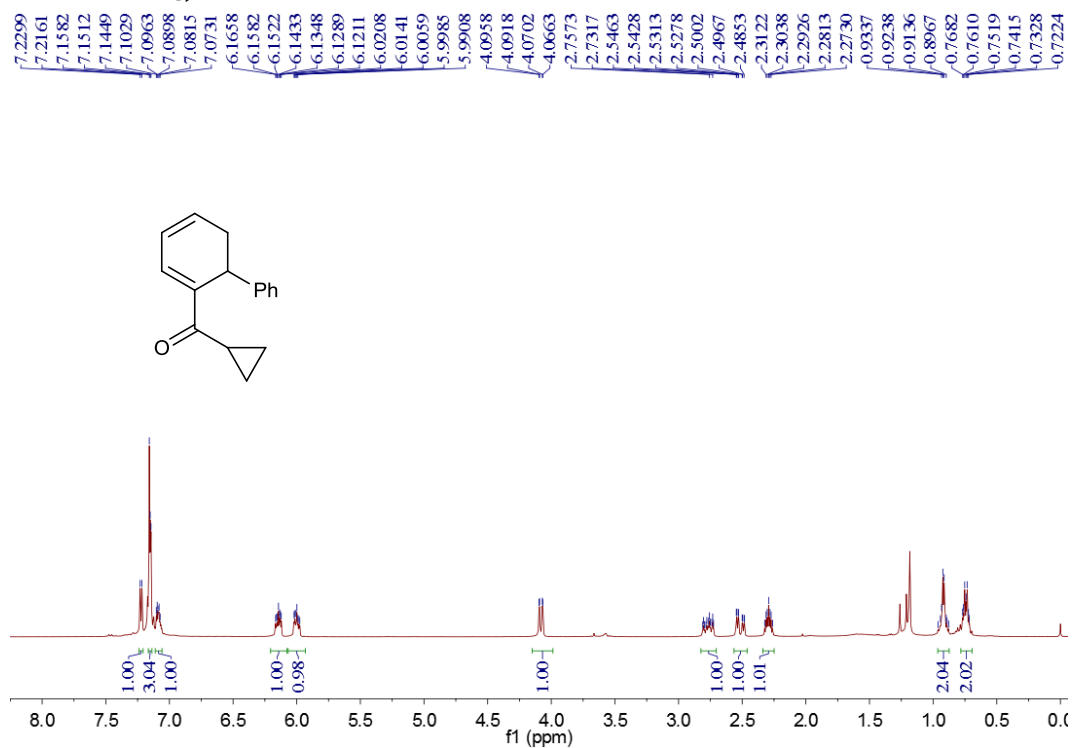
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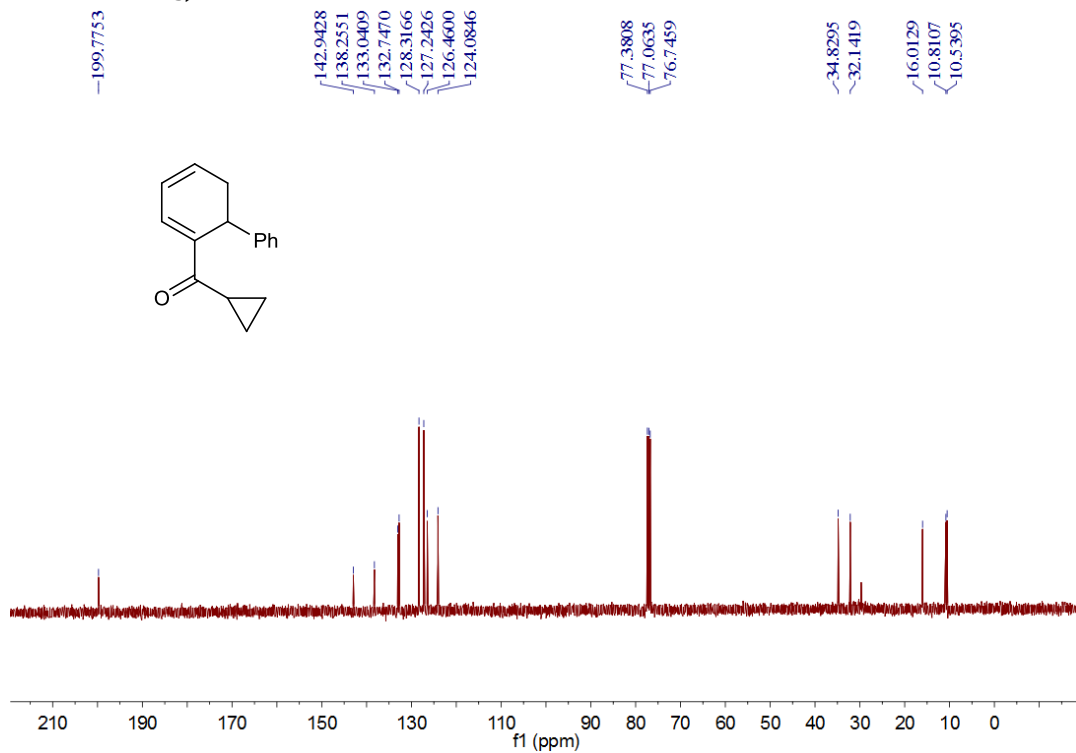
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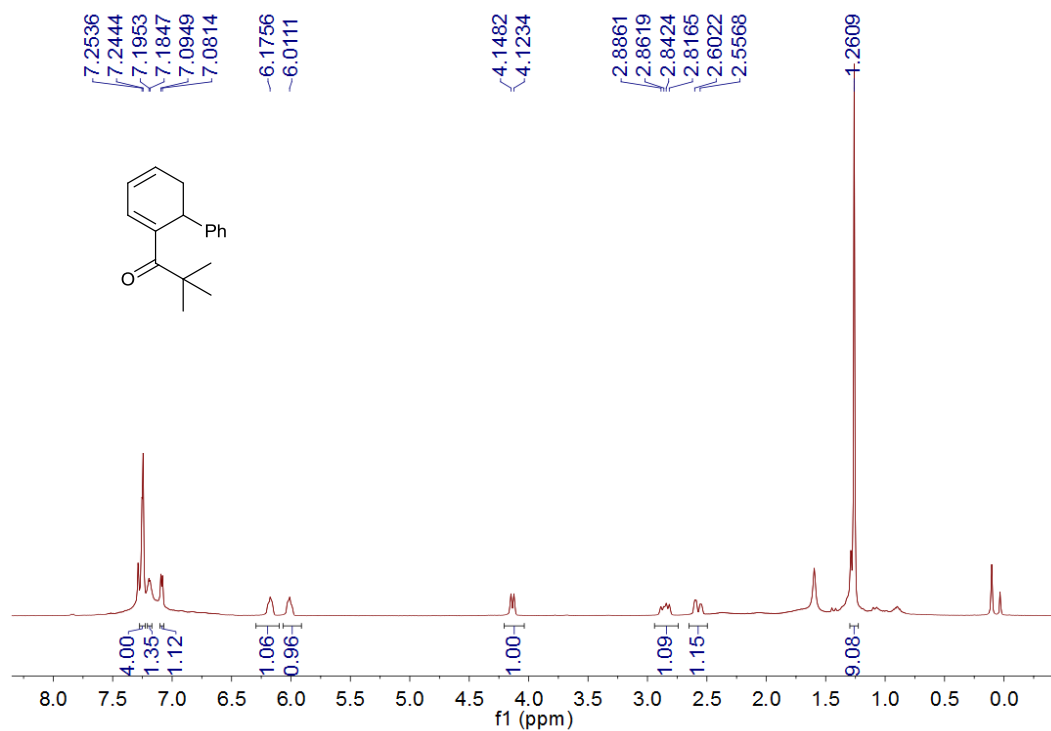
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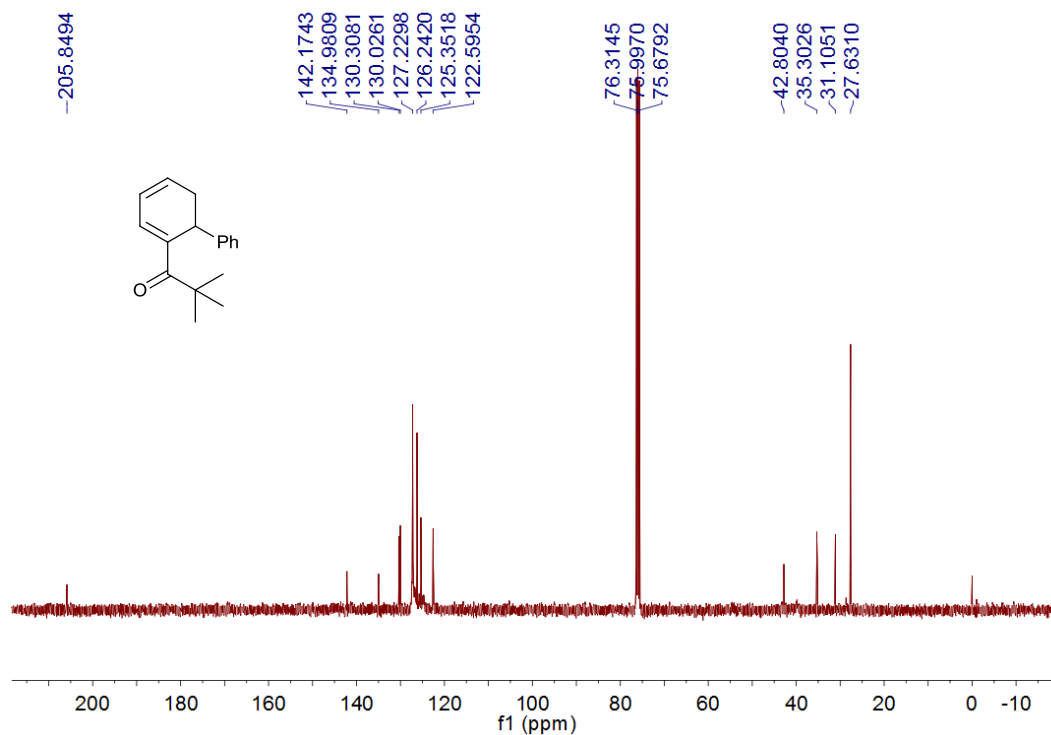
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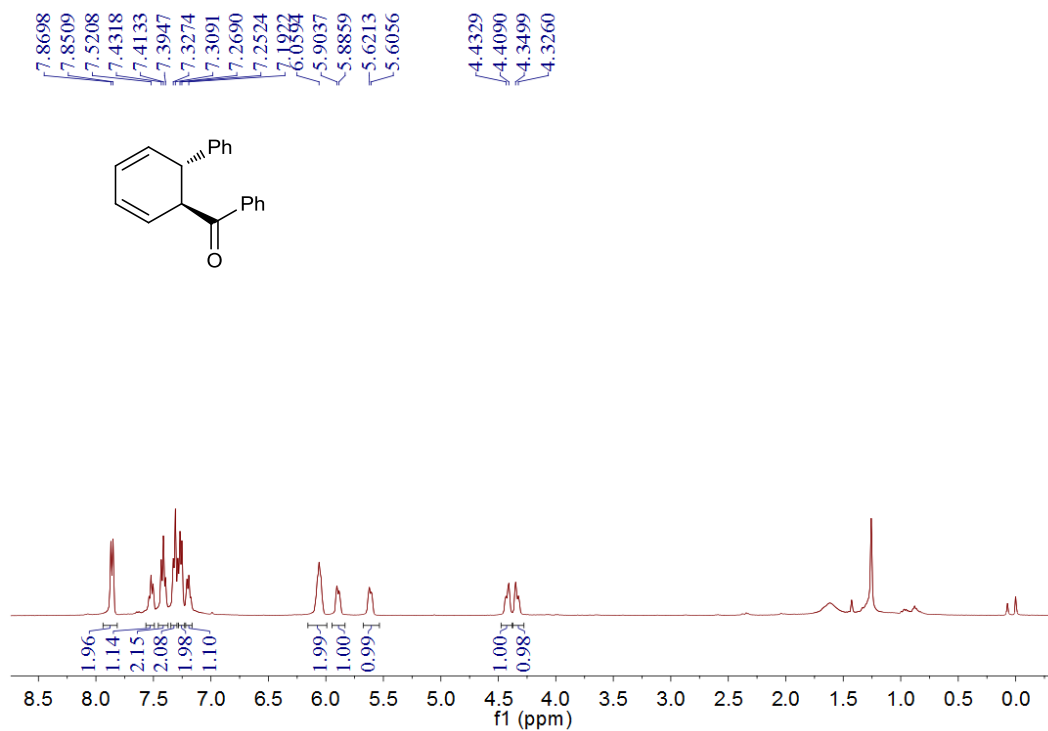
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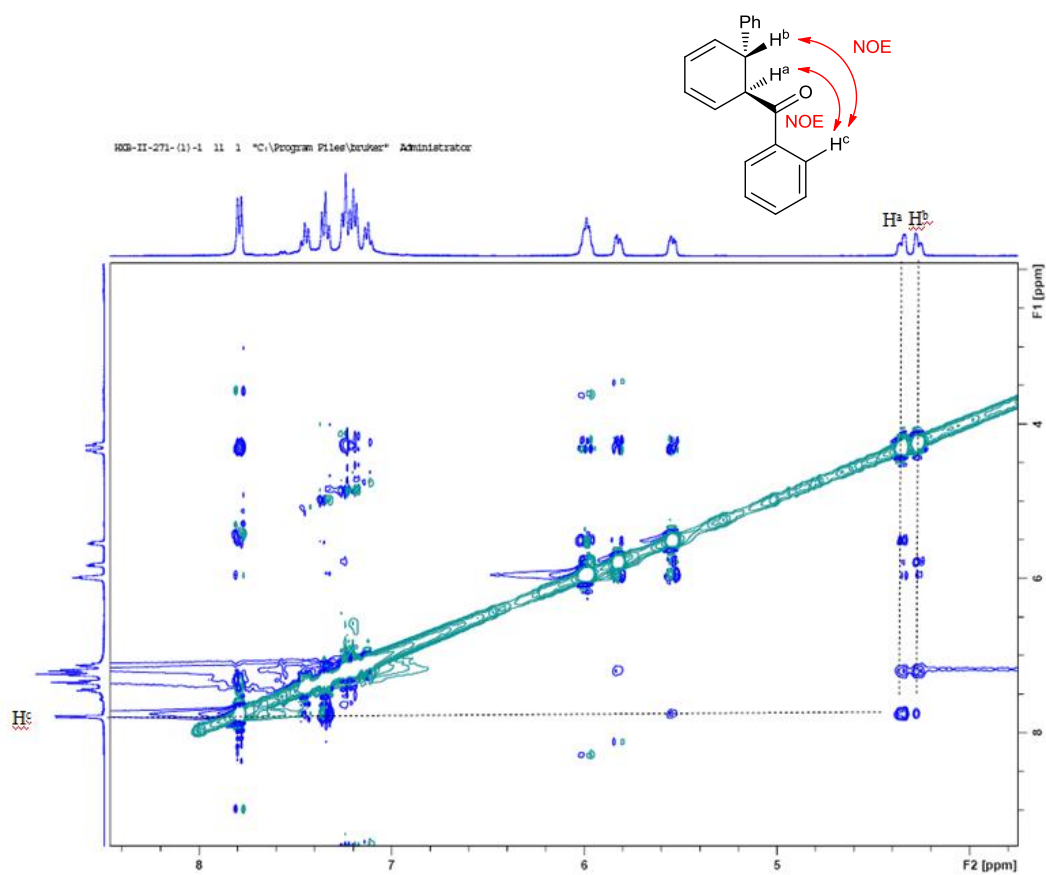
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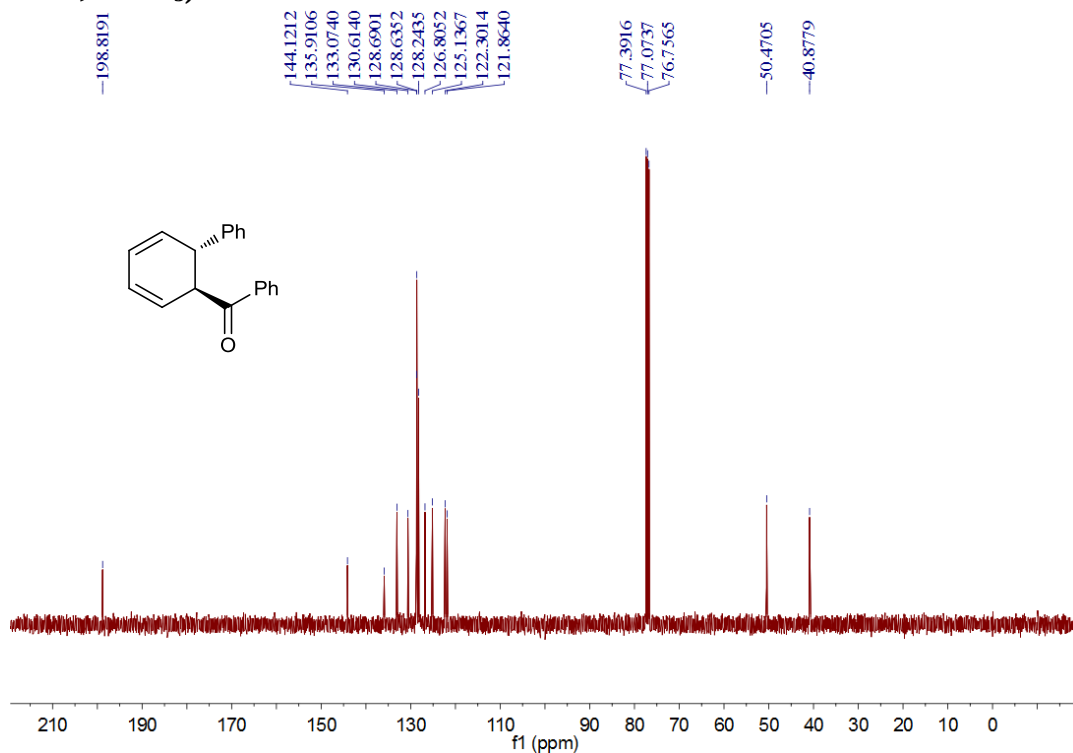
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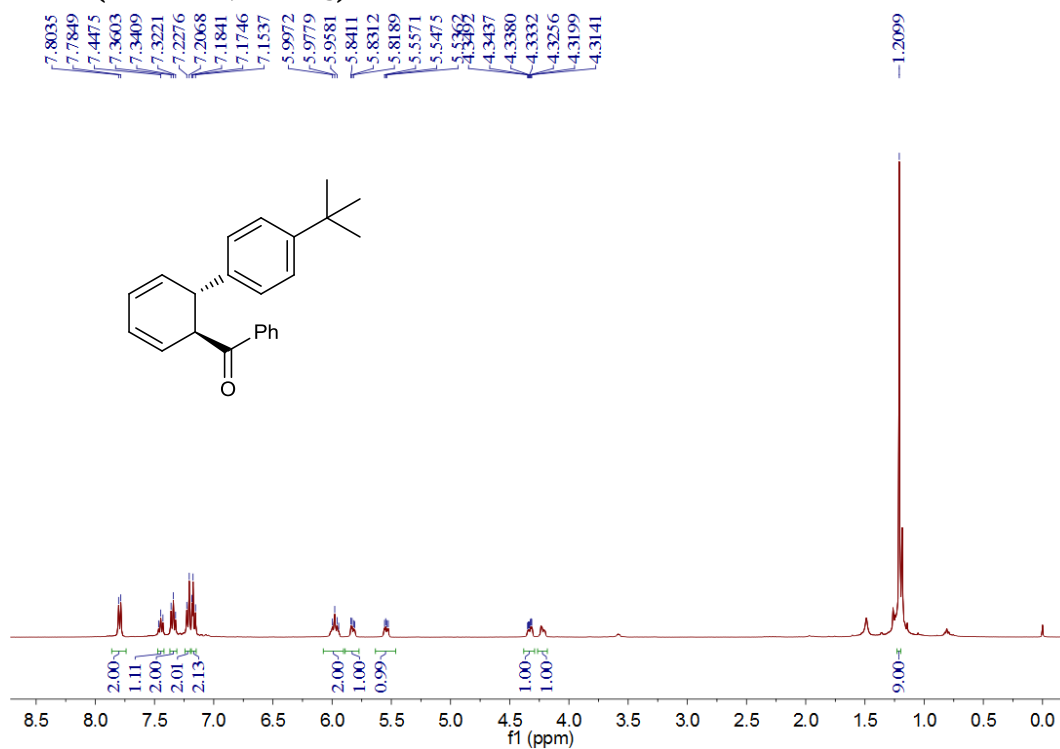
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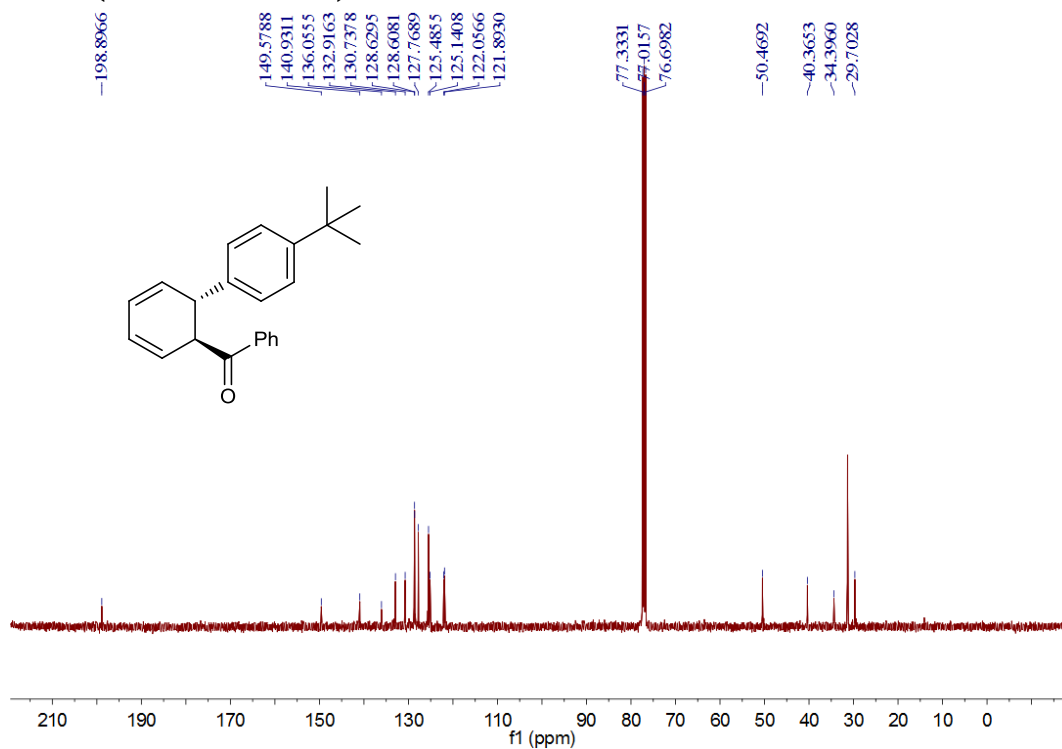
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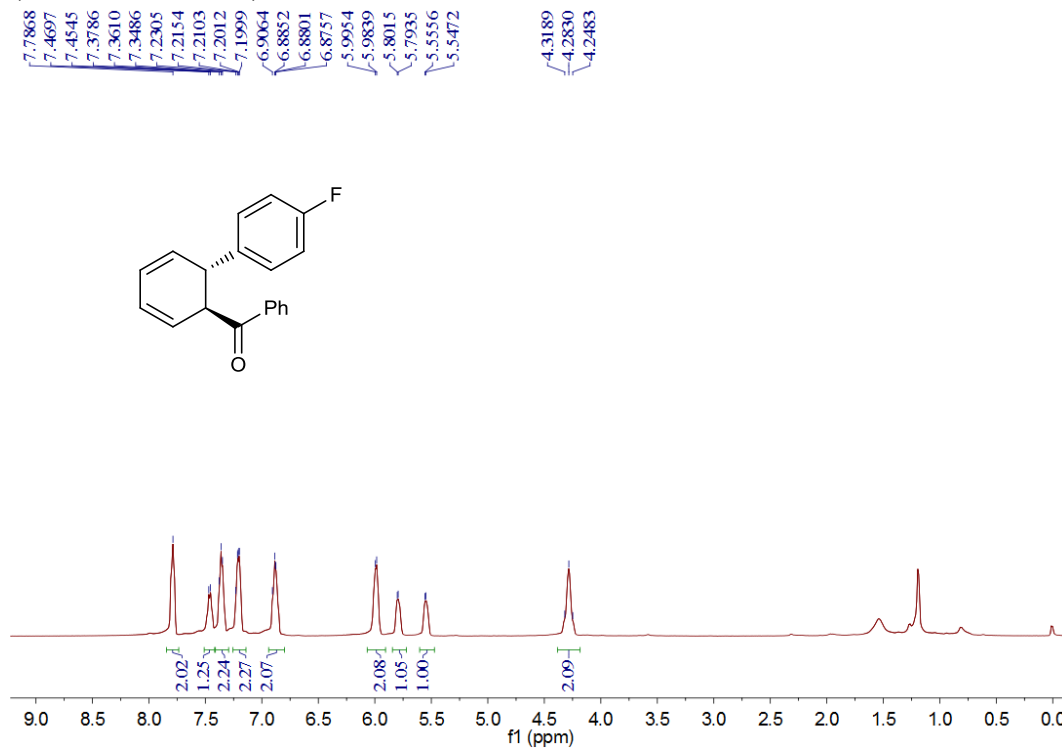
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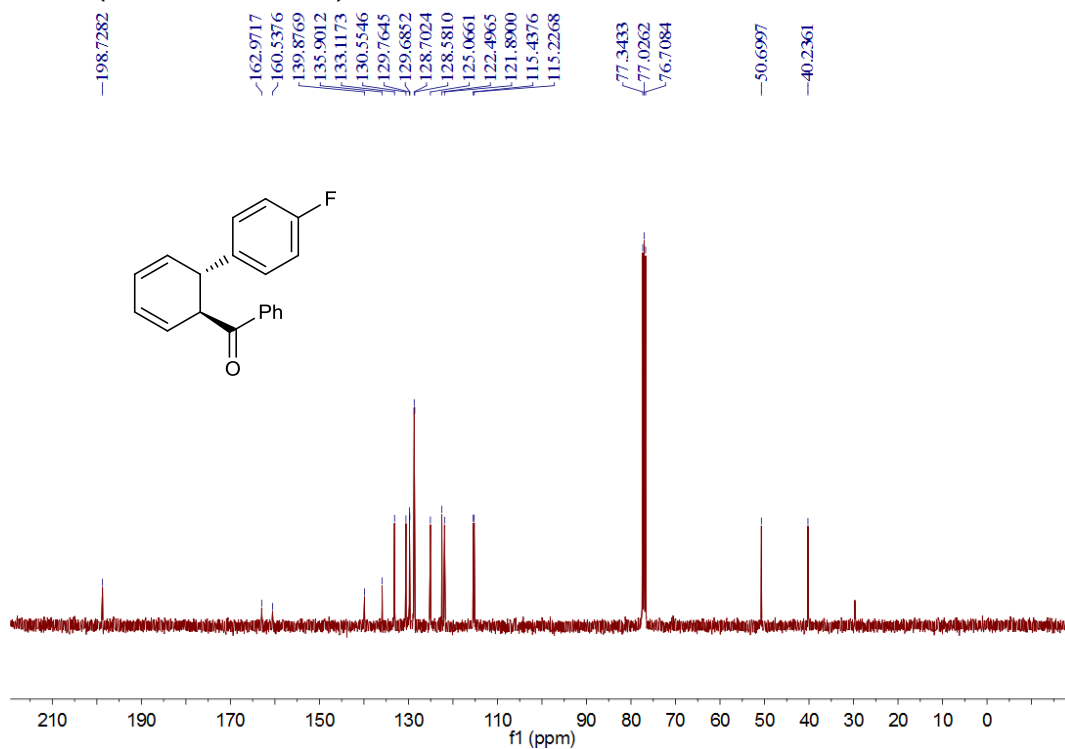
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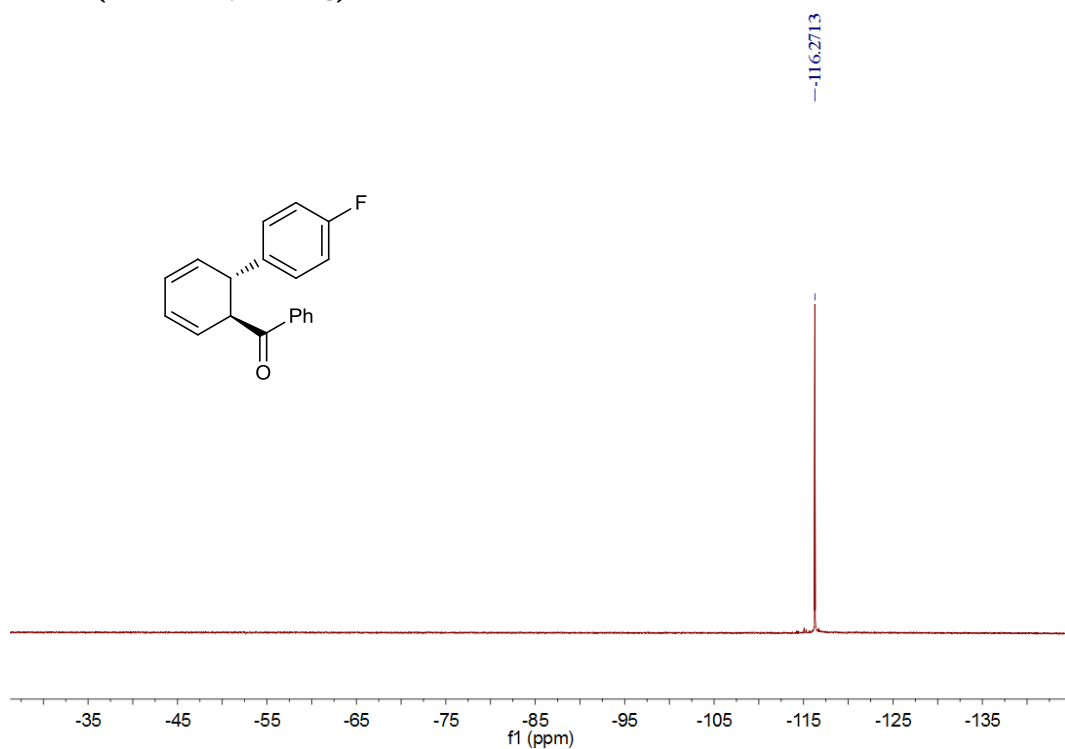
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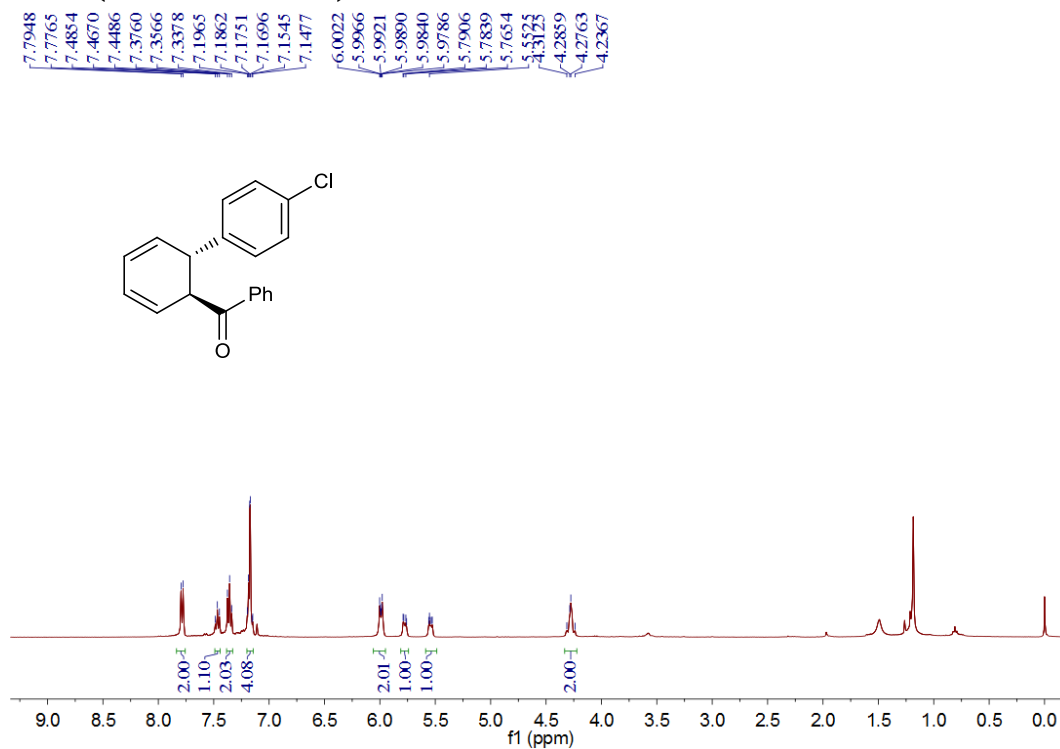
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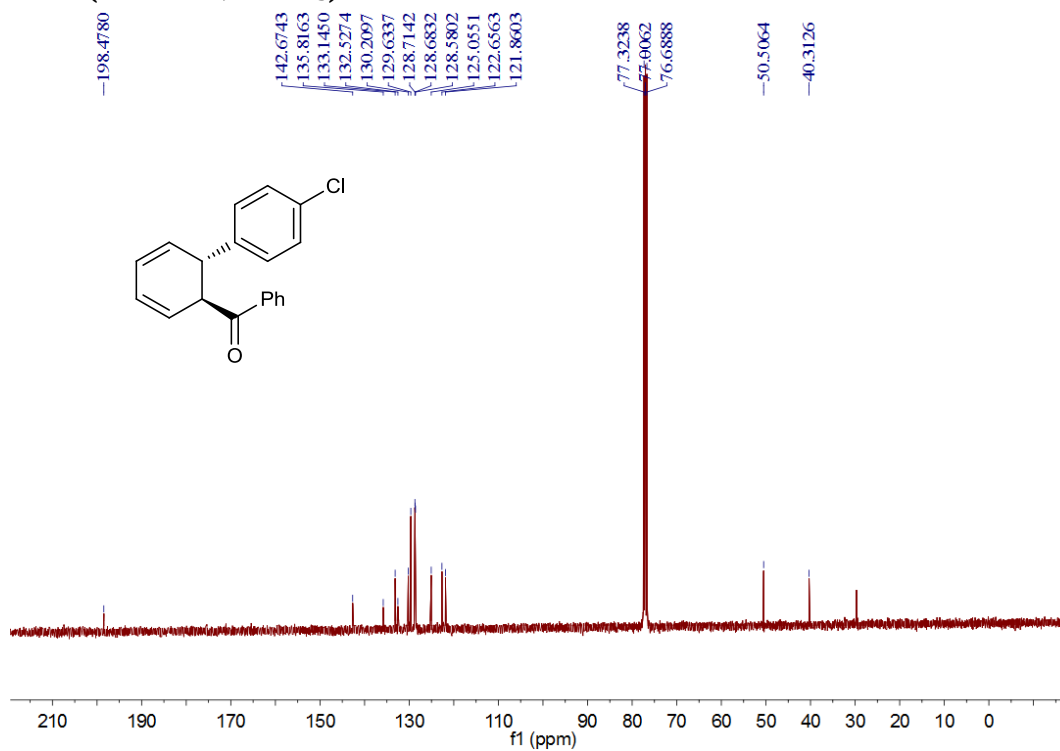
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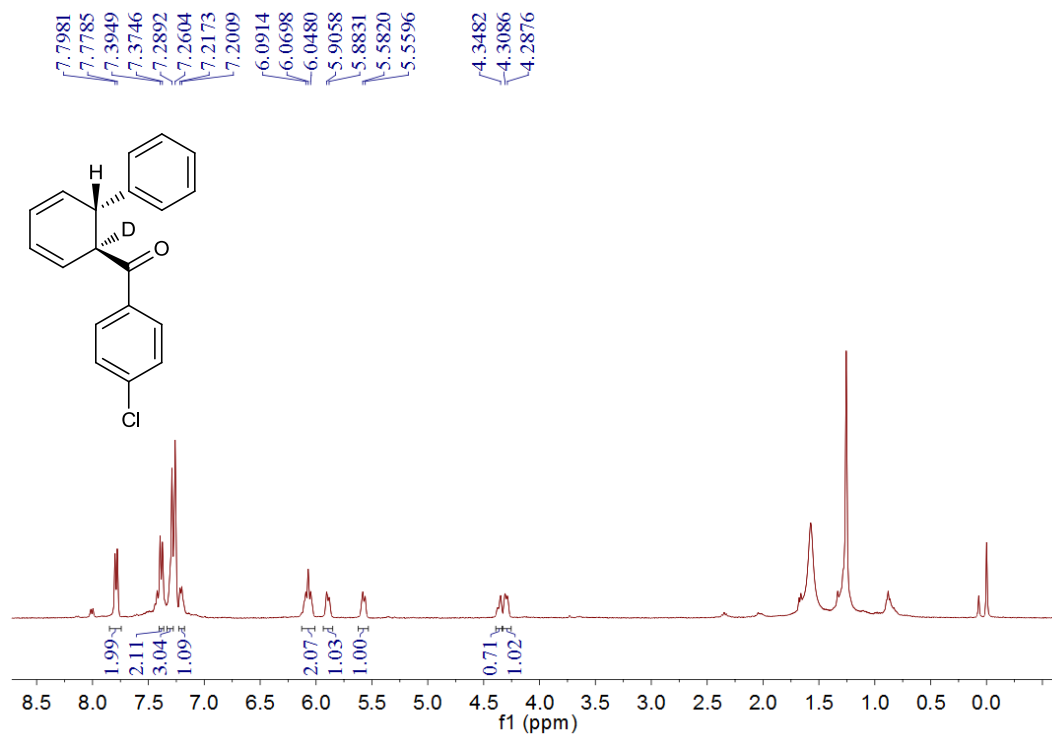
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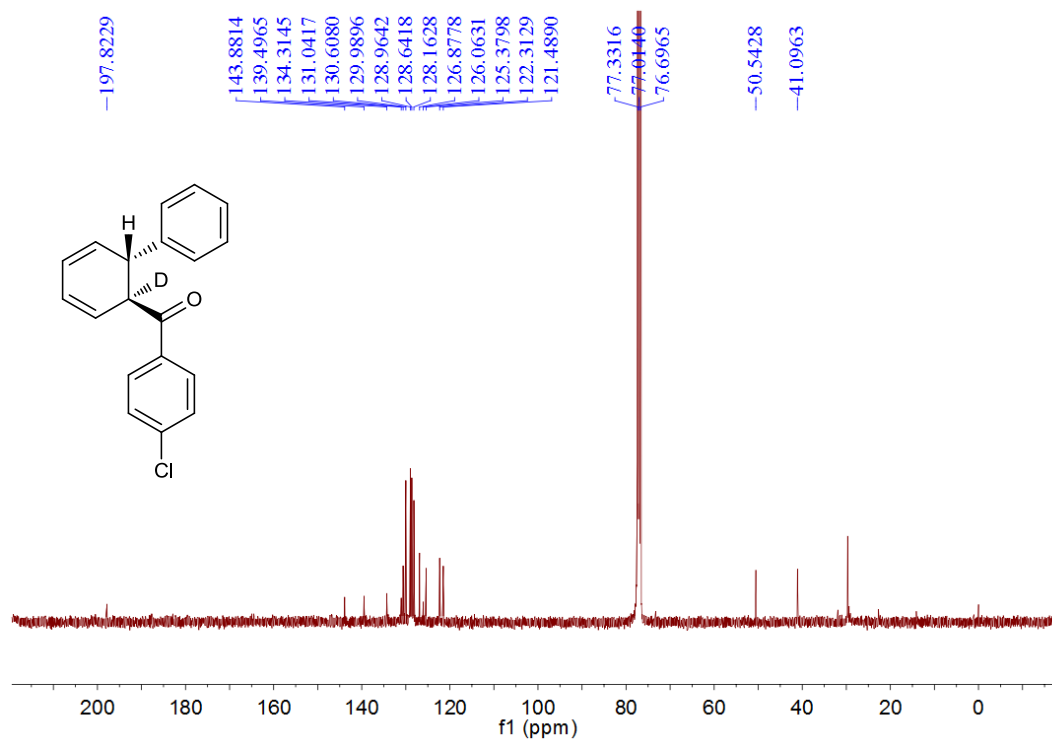
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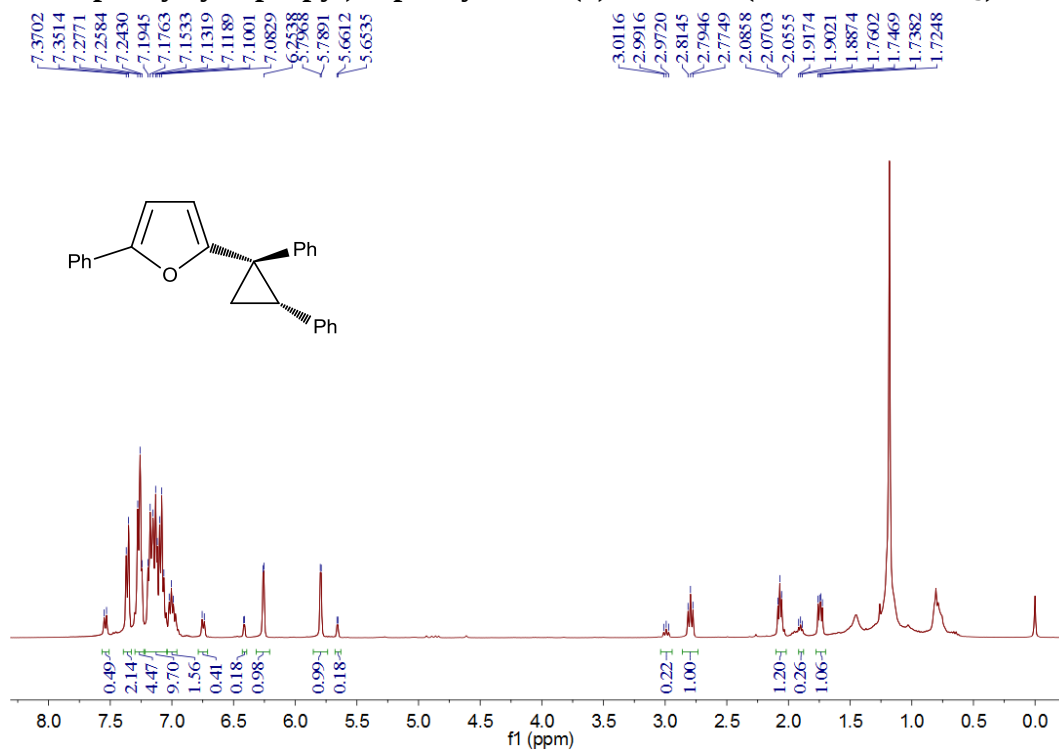
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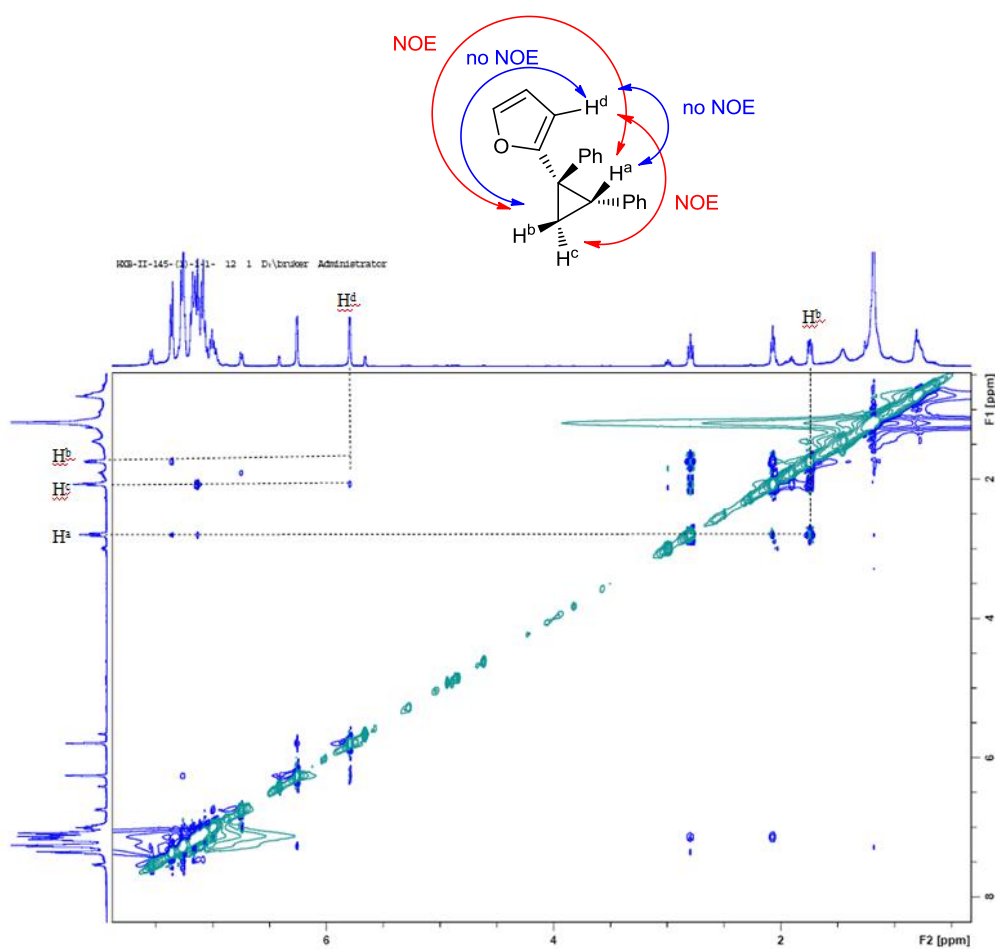
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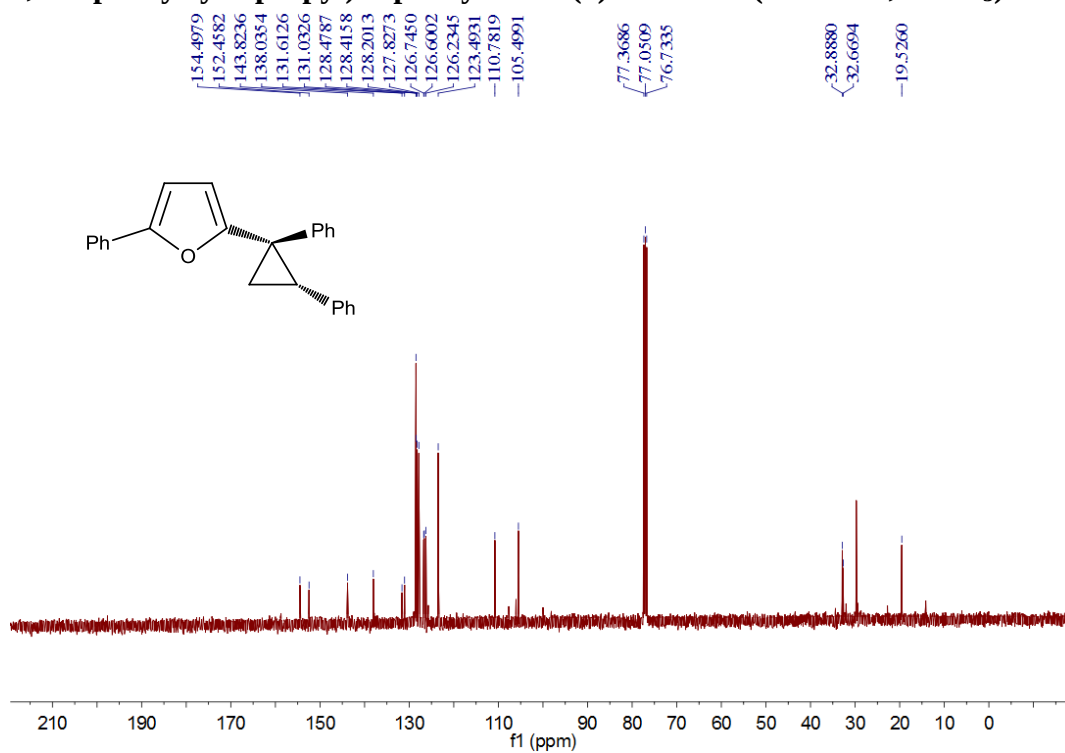
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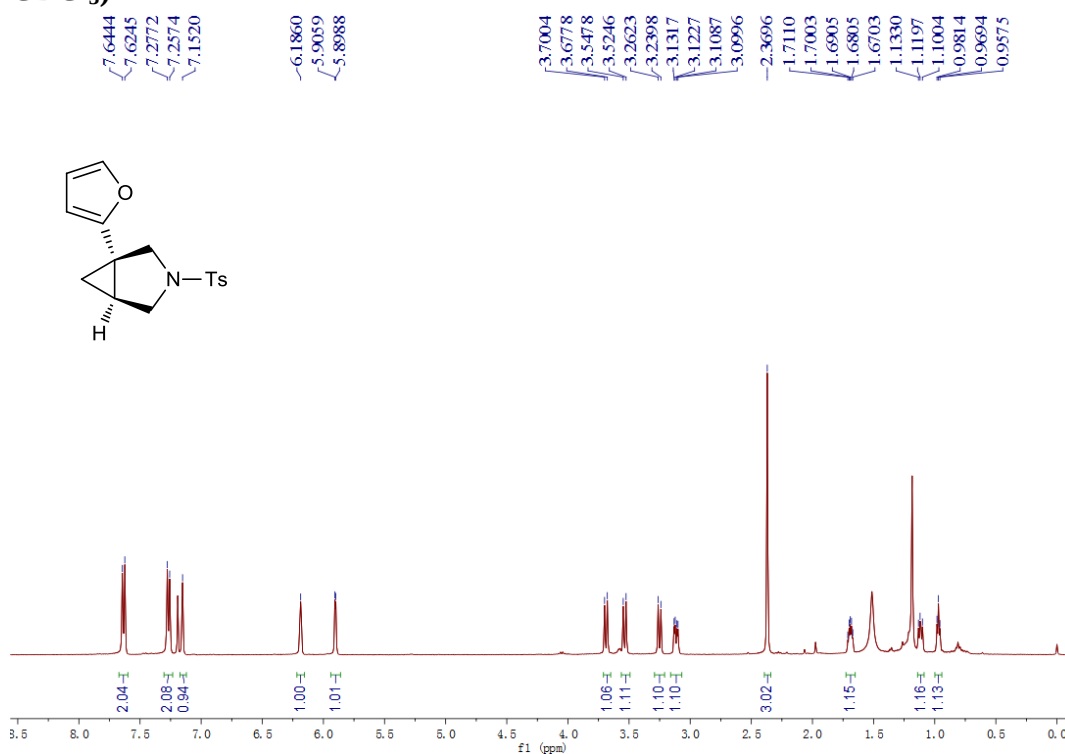
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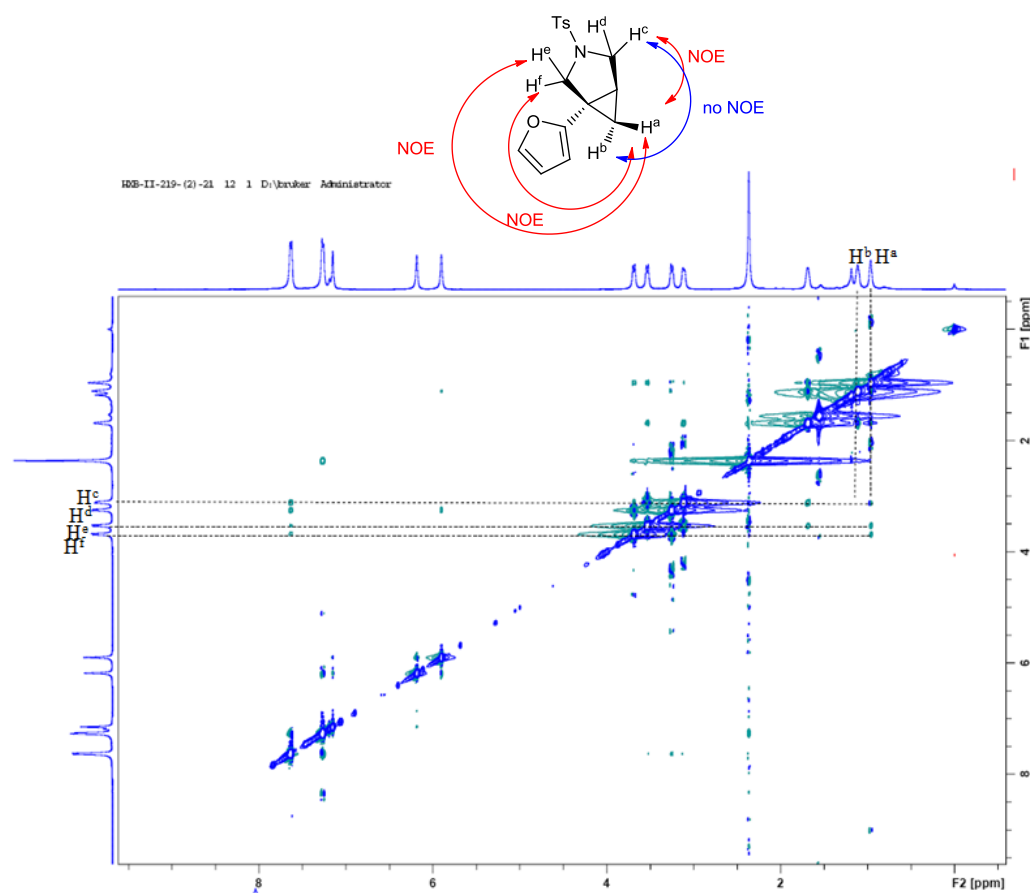
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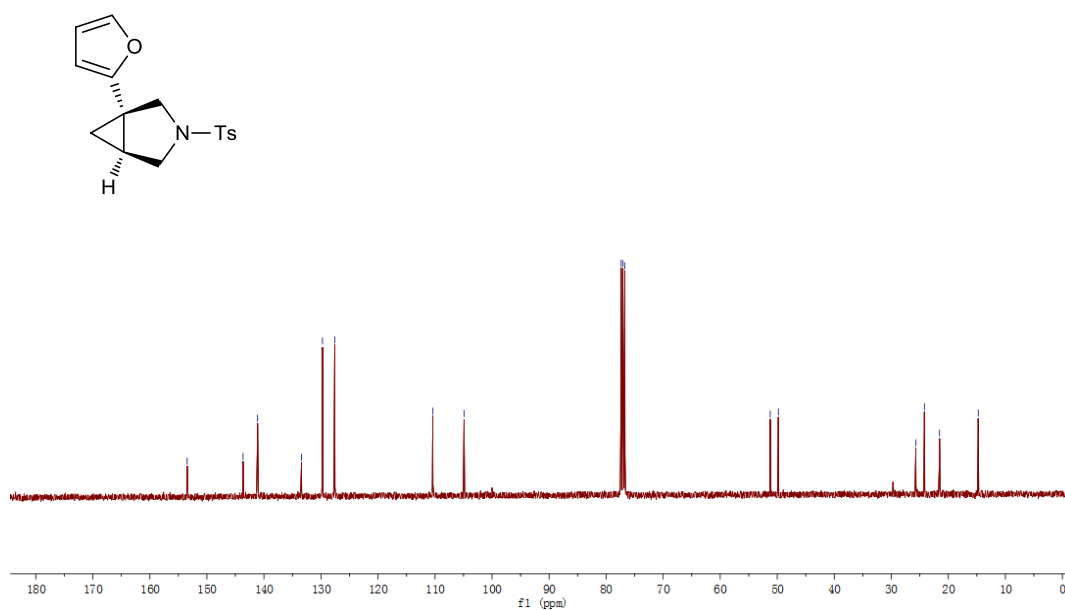


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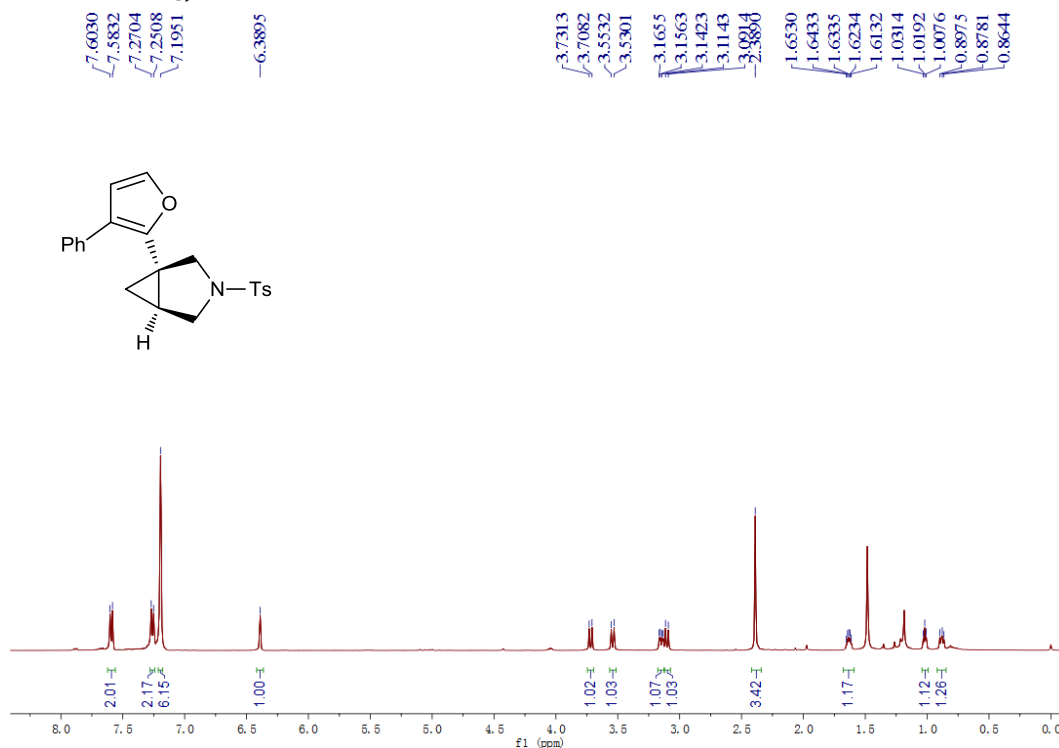


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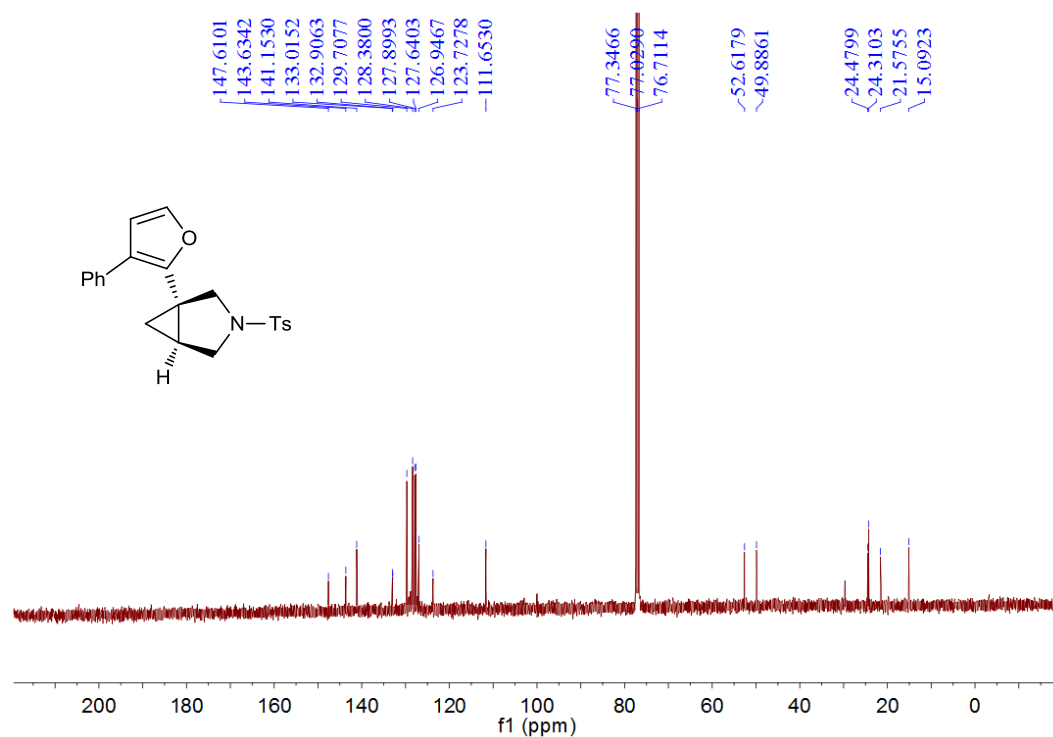
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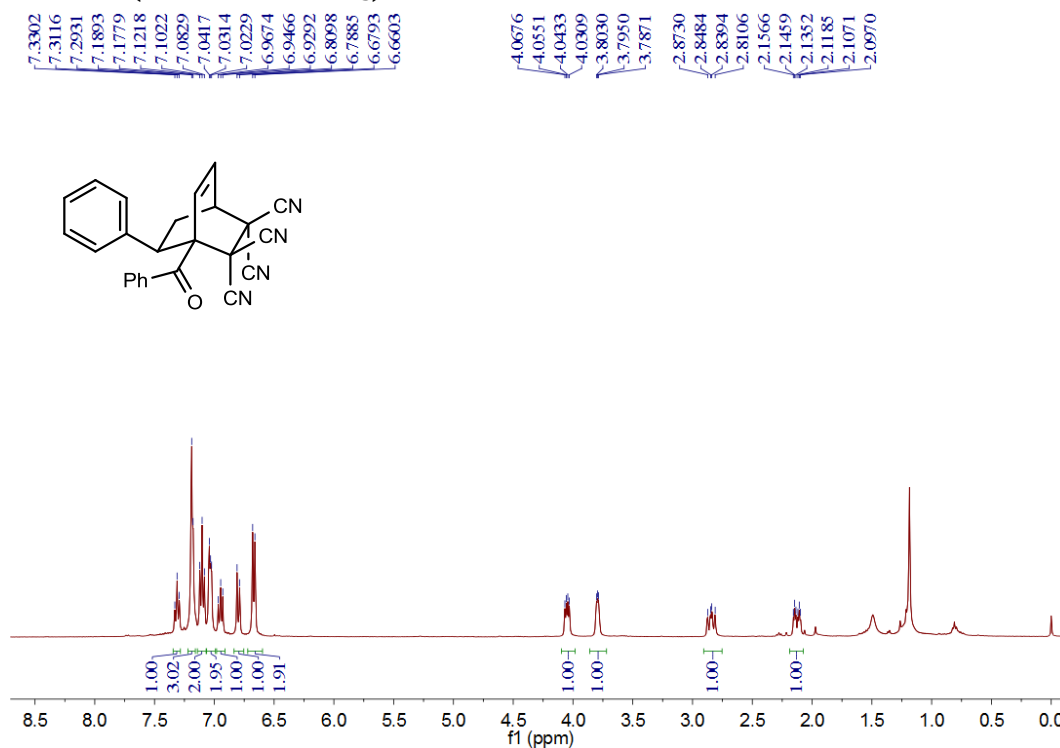


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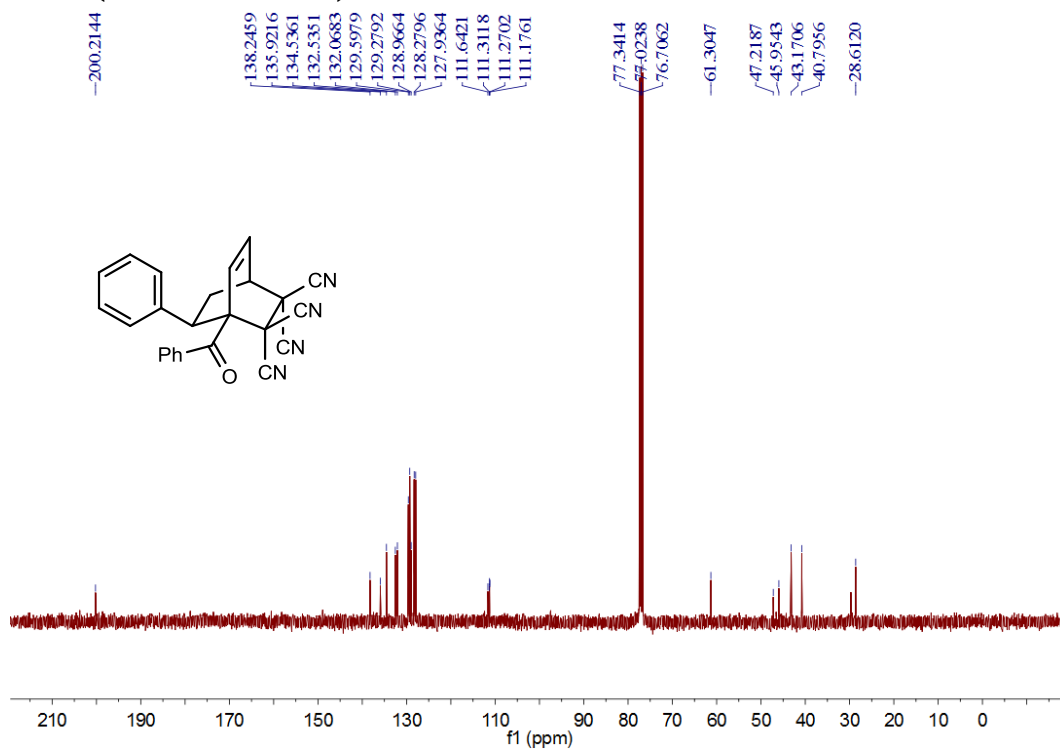
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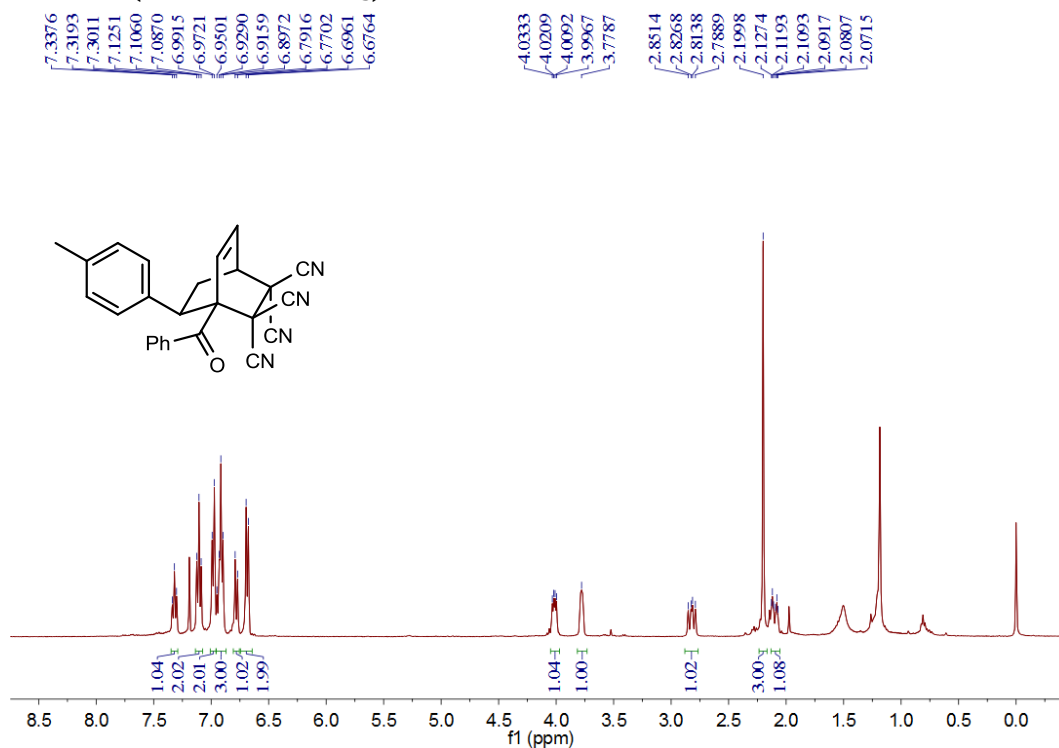
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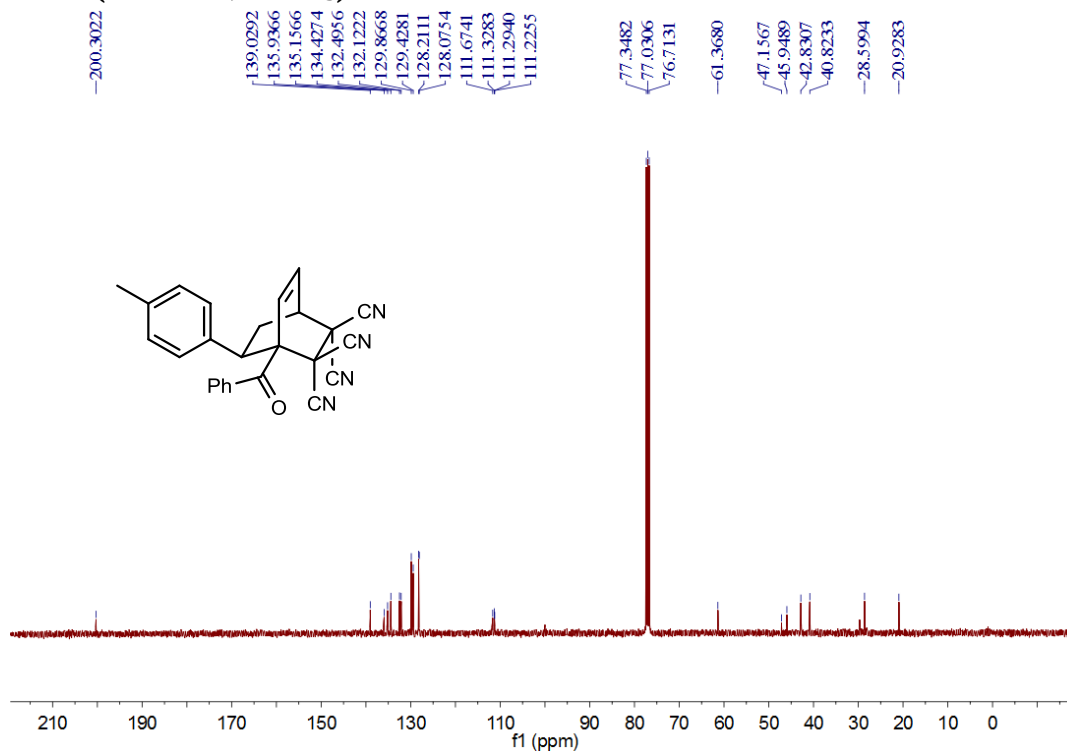


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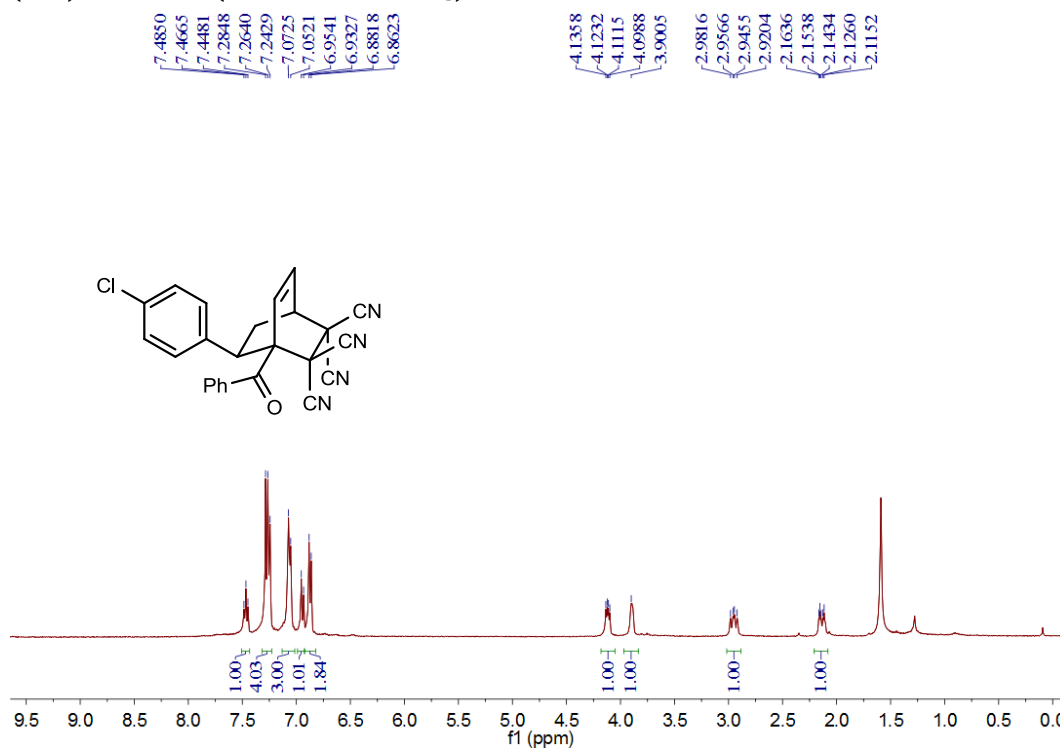
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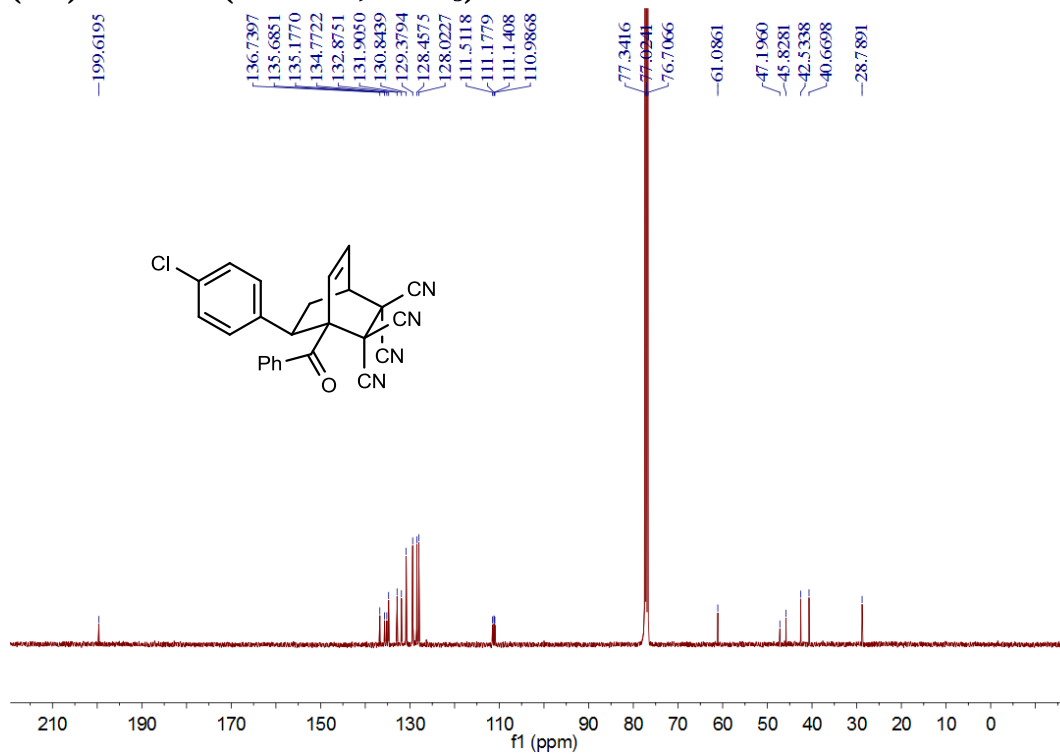
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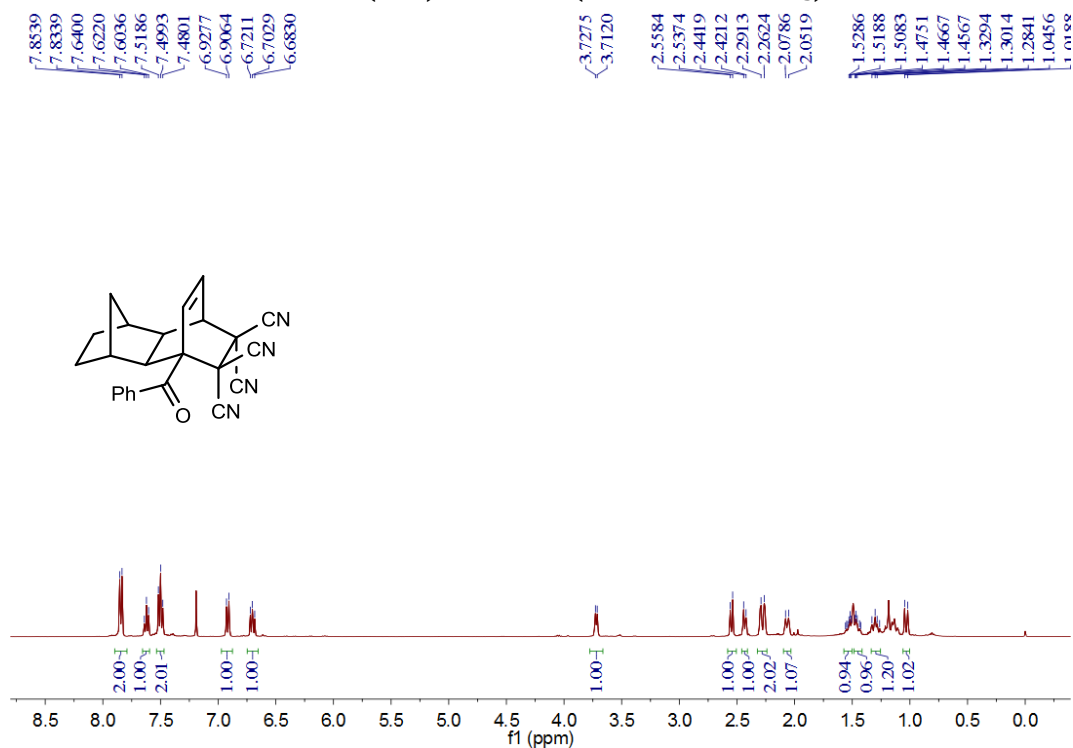
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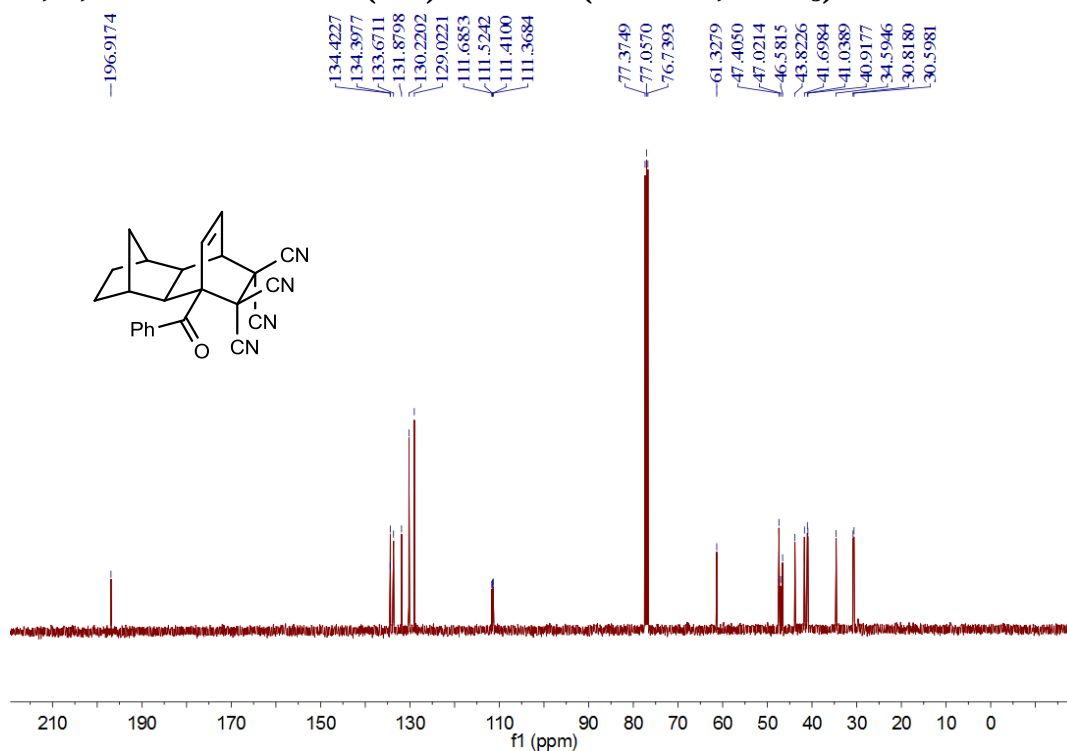
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1-Benzoyl-1,4,4a,5,6,7,8,8a-octahydro-1,4-ethano-5,8-methanonaphthalene-10,10,11,11-tetracarbonitrile (10d) ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3)



1-Benzoyl-1,4,4a,5,6,7,8,8a-octahydro-1,4-ethano-5,8-methanonaphthalene-10,10,11,11-tetracarbonitrile (10d) ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3)



4.X-ray Crystallography data for compound 10a

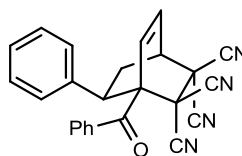
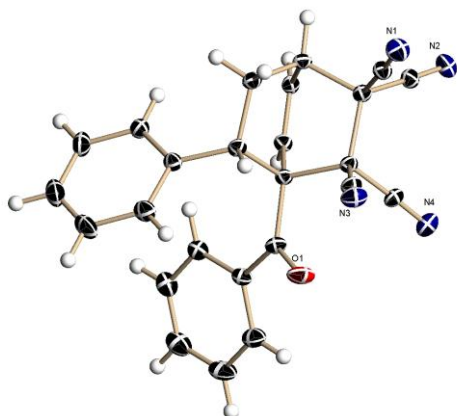


Table 1. Crystal data and structure refinement for shelxl.

Identification code	shelxl
Empirical formula	C ₂₅ H ₁₆ N ₄ O
Formula weight	388.42
Temperature	293(2) K
Wavelength	0.71073 Å
Crystal system, space group	Triclinic, P -1
Unit cell dimensions	a = 7.3662(15) Å alpha = 72.49(3) deg. b = 12.232(2) Å beta = 75.10(3) deg. c = 12.351(3) Å gamma = 88.58(3) deg.
Volume	1024.0(4) Å ³
Z, Calculated density	2, 1.260 Mg/ m ³
Absorption coefficient	0.080 mm ⁻¹
F(000)	404
Crystal size	0.20 x 0.20 x 0.10 mm
Theta range for data collection	3.23 to 25.00 deg.
Limiting indices	-8<=h<=8, -14<=k<=14, -14<=l<=14
Reflections collected / unique	8015 / 3603 [R(int) = 0.0402]
Completeness to theta = 25.00	99.6 %
Max. and min. transmission	0.9921 and 0.9842
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²
Data / restraints / parameters	3603 / 7 / 271
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	0.994
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0419, wR2 = 0.1120
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.1181, wR2 = 0.1693
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.208 and -0.213 e. Å ⁻³

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