

Atom-Economical Chemoselective Synthesis of Furocoumarins via Cascade Palladium Catalyzed Oxidative Alkoxylation of 4- Oxohydrocoumarins and Alkenes

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General Procedures.

Thin layer chromatography (TLC) employed glass 0.25 mm silica gel plates. Column chromatography was performed on silica gel (300–400 mesh). NMR spectra were obtained using a Bruker Avance 500 spectrometer (^1H at 500 MHz, and ^{13}C at 125 MHz). Chemical shifts for ^1H NMR spectra are reported in parts per million (ppm) from tetramethylsilane with the solvent resonance as the internal standard (CDCl_3 : δ 7.26 ppm). Chemical shifts for ^{13}C NMR spectra are reported in parts per million (ppm) from tetramethylsilane with the solvent as the internal standard (CDCl_3 : δ 77.0 ppm).

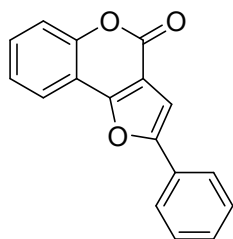
Materials. Unless stated otherwise, commercial reagents were used without further purification. All reagents were weighed and handled in air at room temperature.

Experimental Section

The mixture of 4-hydroxycoumarin **1** (0.5 mmol), alkenes **2** (0.5 mmol) and $\text{Pd}(\text{CF}_3\text{COO})_2$ (0.1 mmol) in PhCl (2 mL) was stirred at 90 °C for 4 h. The progress of the reaction was monitored by thin-layer chromatography. Upon completion, the mixture was then cooled and evaporated under reduced pressure. The target product **3** was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel using a mixture of ethyl acetate and petroleum ether.

Characterization Data

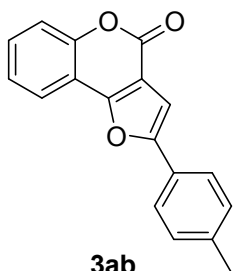
2-Phenyl-furo[3,2-c]coumarin (3aa)



3aa

White solid, m.p. 176-178 °C. **FTIR** (KBr) w: 3066, 2923, 2855, 1707, 1639, 1566, 1499, 898, 753. **¹H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.97-7.95 (m, 1H), 7.82-7.80 (m, 2H), 7.54-7.51 (m, 1H), 7.49-7.45 (m, 3H), 7.41-7.36 (m, 2H), 7.18 (s, 1H). **¹³C NMR** (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.2, 156.9, 156.6, 152.6, 130.6, 129.1, 129.0, 128.9, 124.6, 124.5, 120.8, 117.4, 112.7, 112.5, 102.7. **HRMS** (m/z) (ESI): calcd for C₁₇H₁₁O₃ 263.0708 [M+H⁺]; found 263.0704.

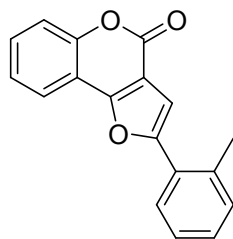
2-(*p*-Tolyl)-furo[3,2-c]coumarin (3ab)



3ab

White solid, m.p. 212-214 °C. **FTIR** (KBr) w: 3066, 3027, 2917, 1741, 1630, 1568, 1494, 961, 747. **¹H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.94-7.92 (m, 1H), 7.68 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.52-7.49 (m, 1H), 7.44 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.38-7.35 (m, 1H), 7.26 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.09 (s, 1H), 2.40 (s, 3H). **¹³C NMR** (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.3, 156.8, 156.5, 152.5, 139.3, 130.4, 129.6, 126.2, 124.5, 124.4, 120.7, 117.3, 112.7, 112.5, 101.8, 21.4. **HRMS** (m/z) (ESI): calcd for C₁₈H₁₃O₃ 277.0865 [M+H⁺]; found 277.0857.

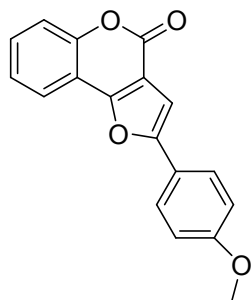
2-(*o*-Tolyl)-furo[3,2-*c*]coumarin (3ac)



3ac

White solid, m.p. 132-138 °C. **FTIR** (KBr) w: 3060, 3019, 1740, 1631, 1566, 1490, 959, 751. **¹H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.95-9.93 (m, 1H), 7.84-7.82 (m, 1H), 7.55-7.51 (m, 1H), 7.47-7.46 (m, 1H), 7.38-7.32 (m, 4H), 7.08 (s, 1H), 2.58 (s, 3H). **¹³C NMR** (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.4, 156.5, 156.2, 152.6, 135.5, 131.5, 130.6, 129.1, 128.3, 127.6, 126.3, 124.6, 120.8, 117.4, 112.7, 112.3, 106.2, 21.9. **HRMS** (m/z) (ESI): calcd for C₁₈H₁₃O₃ 277.0865 [M+H⁺]; found 277.0858.

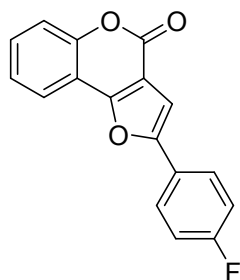
2-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-furo[3,2-*c*]coumarin (3ad)



3ad

White solid, m.p. 189-191 °C. **FTIR** (KBr) w: 3081, 2955, 2845, 1747, 1609, 1568, 1498, 971, 748. **¹H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.94-7.92 (m, 1H), 7.74-7.72 (m, 2H), 7.52-7.49 (m, 1H), 7.44 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.38-7.35 (m, 1H), 7.02 (s, 1H), 6.99 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 3.87 (s, 3H). **¹³C NMR** (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 160.3, 158.4, 156.8, 156.4, 152.4, 130.3, 126.1, 124.5, 121.8, 120.6, 117.3, 114.4, 112.8, 112.6, 100.9, 55.4. **HRMS** (m/z) (ESI): calcd for C₁₈H₁₃O₄ 293.0814 [M+H⁺]; found 293.0808.

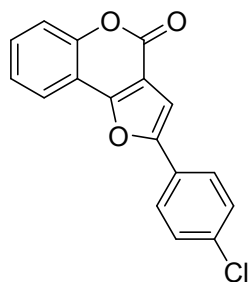
2-(4-Fluorophenyl)-furo[3,2-c]coumarin (3ae)



3ae

White solid, m.p. 231 °C. **FTIR** (KBr) w: 3085, 2966, 2926, 1752, 1632, 1571, 1495, 965, 753. **¹H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.97 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.83-7.81 (m, 2H), 7.56 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.29 (s, 2H), 7.20 (t, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.14 (s, 1H). **¹³C NMR** (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 163.1 (¹*J*_{CF} = 250 Hz), 158.1, 156.9, 155.7, 152.6, 130.7, 126.5 (²*J*_{CF} = 8.8 Hz), 125.3, 124.6, 120.7, 117.4, 116.3, 116.1, 112.6 (²*J*_{CF} = 12.5 Hz), 102.4. **HRMS** (m/z) (ESI): calcd for C₁₇H₁₀FO₃ 281.0614 [M+H⁺]; found 281.0611.

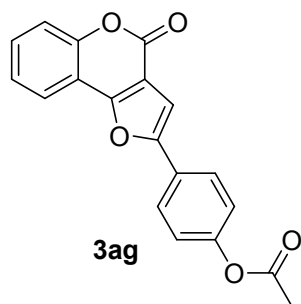
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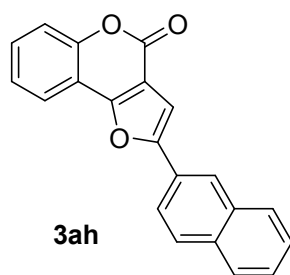
White solid, m.p. 276 °C. **FTIR** (KBr) w: 3095, 2963, 2866, 1743, 1635, 1574, 1493, 967, 758. **¹H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.96 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.75 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.54 (dd, *J* = 14.0, 6.6 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (dd, *J* = 15.5, 9.6 Hz, 3H), 7.39 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.18 (s, 1H). **¹³C NMR** (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.1, 157.1, 155.5, 152.7, 135.1, 130.8, 129.3, 127.5, 125.8, 124.7, 120.8, 117.5, 112.6, 112.5, 103.2. **HRMS** (m/z) (ESI): calcd for C₁₇H₁₀ClO₃ 297.0319 [M+H⁺]; found 297.0314.

4-(4-Oxo-furo[3,2-c]coumarin)phenyl acetate (**3ag**)



White solid, m.p. 180-182 °C. **FTIR** (KBr) w: 3132, 2923, 2851, 1764, 1681, 1635, 1557, 1495, 964, 746. **¹H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.92-7.90 (m, 1H), 7.80-7.78 (m, 2H), 7.52-7.49 (m, 1H), 7.42 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.37-7.34 (m, 1H), 7.21-7.19 (m, 23H), 7.11 (d, *J* = 1.7 Hz, 1H), 2.33 (s, 3H). **¹³C NMR** (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 169.2, 158.1, 156.9, 155.8, 152.6, 151.2, 130.7, 126.6, 125.7, 124.6, 122.3, 120.8, 117.4, 112.7, 112.5, 102.7, 21.1. **HRMS** (m/z) (ESI): calcd for C₁₉H₁₃O₅ 321.0763 [M+H⁺]; found 321.0757.

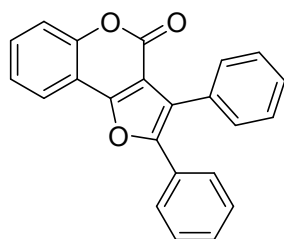
2-Naphthalen-furo[3,2-c]coumarin (**3ah**)



White solid, m.p. 230-234 °C. **FTIR** (KBr) w: 3052, 2922, 2852, 1749, 1629, 1559, 1503, 967, 751. **¹H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.32 (s, 1H), 8.05 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.95-7.92 (m, 2H), 7.88-7.84 (m, 2H), 7.56-7.53 (m, 3H), 7.49-7.47 (m, 1H), 7.41 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.30 (s, 1H). **¹³C NMR** (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.2, 157.1, 156.7, 152.7, 133.4, 133.3, 130.7, 128.9, 128.4, 127.9, 127.0, 126.9, 126.2, 124.6, 123.7, 122.1, 120.9, 117.4, 112.8, 112.7, 103.2. **HRMS** (m/z) (ESI): calcd for C₂₁H₁₃O₃

313.0865 [M+H⁺]; found 313.0861.

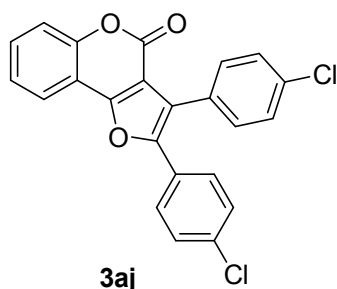
2,3-Diphenyl-furo[3,2-c]coumarin (3ai)



3ai

White solid, m.p. 181 °C. FTIR (KBr) w: 3053, 2942, 2853, 1743, 1628, 1553, 1501, 963, 769. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.98 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.56-7.52 (m, 5H), 7.48-7.43 (m, 4H), 7.38 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.33-7.31 (m, 3H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.4, 156.4, 152.6, 151.3, 130.7, 130.2, 130.1, 129.2, 128.8, 128.54, 128.52, 128.4, 126.6, 124.4, 120.83, 120.79, 117.2, 112.7, 111.2. HRMS (m/z) (ESI): calcd for C₂₃H₁₅O₃ 339.1021 [M+H⁺]; found 339.1017.

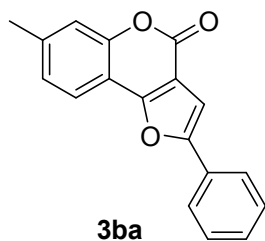
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3aj

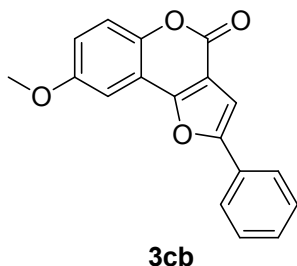
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7-Methyl-2-phenyl-furo[3,2-c]coumarin (3ba)



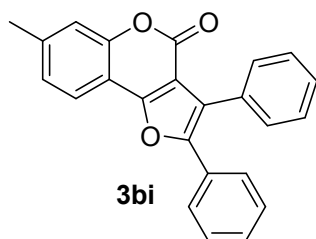
White solid, m.p. 144 °C. **FTIR** (KBr) w: 3063, 2928, 2857, 1743, 1602, 1552, 1498, 976, 759. **¹H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.82-7.80 (m, 2H), 7.73 (s, 1H), 7.47 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.39 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 7.33-7.30 (m, 2H), 7.16 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 2.48 (s, 3H). **¹³C NMR** (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.4, 156.9, 156.4, 150.8, 134.4, 131.7, 129.1, 120.0, 124.5, 120.5, 117.1, 112.4, 102.7, 21.0. **HRMS** (m/z) (ESI): calcd for C₁₈H₁₃O₃ 277.0865 [M+H⁺]; found 277.0860.

8-Methoxy-2-phenyl-furo[3,2-c]coumarin (3ca)



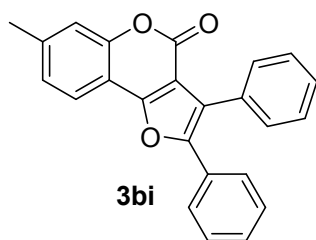
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7-Methyl-2,3-diphenyl-furo[3,2-c]coumarin (3bi)



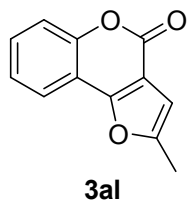
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8-Methoxy-2,3-diphenyl-furo[3,2-c]coumarin (3ci)



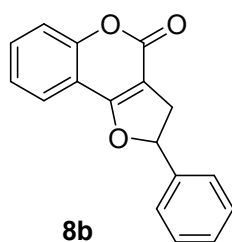
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2-Methyl-furo[3,2-c]coumarin (3al)



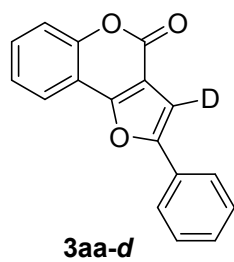
White solid, m.p. 211-213 °C. **FTIR** (KBr) w: 3085, 3045, 2943, 1743, 1638, 1567, 1493, 956, 764. **¹H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.04-8.03 (m, 1H), 7.78 (d, *J* = 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.66-7.62 (m, 1H), 7.41-7.36 (m, 2H), 7.26 (s, 1H), 2.23 (d, *J* = 1.3 Hz, 3H). **¹³C NMR** (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.9, 159.8, 159.0, 153.1, 136.3, 133.8, 125.9, 125.1, 123.1, 117.3, 113.2, 103.6, 17.1. **HRMS** (m/z) (ESI): calcd for C₁₂H₉O₃ 201.0552 [M+H⁺]; found 201.0548.

2-Phenyl-2H-furo[3,2-c]coumarin (8b)

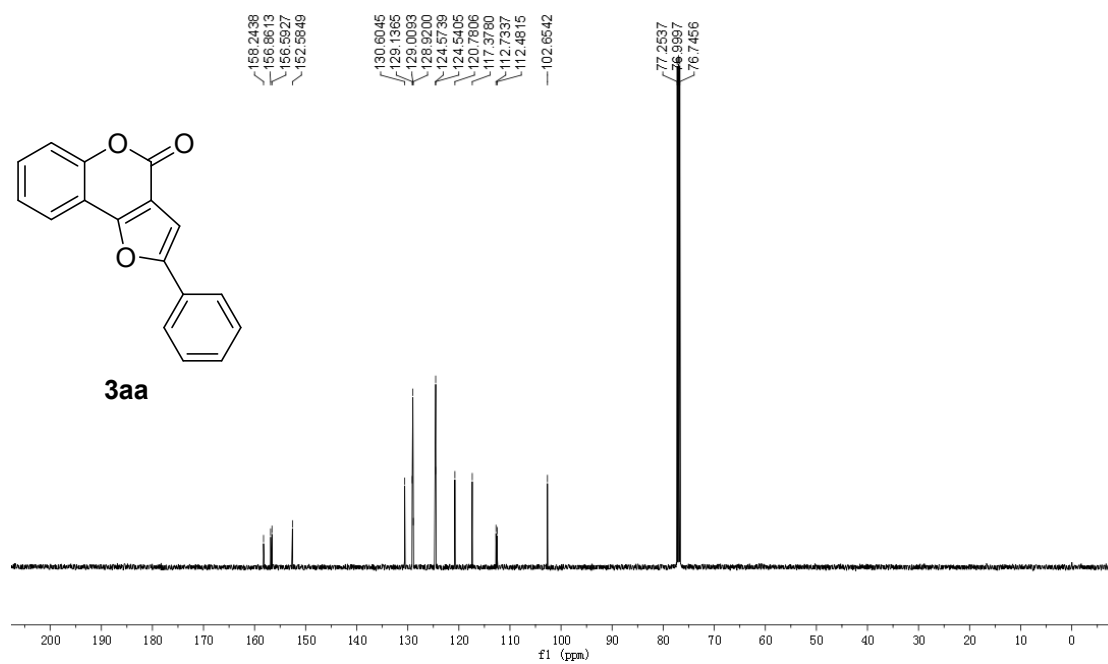
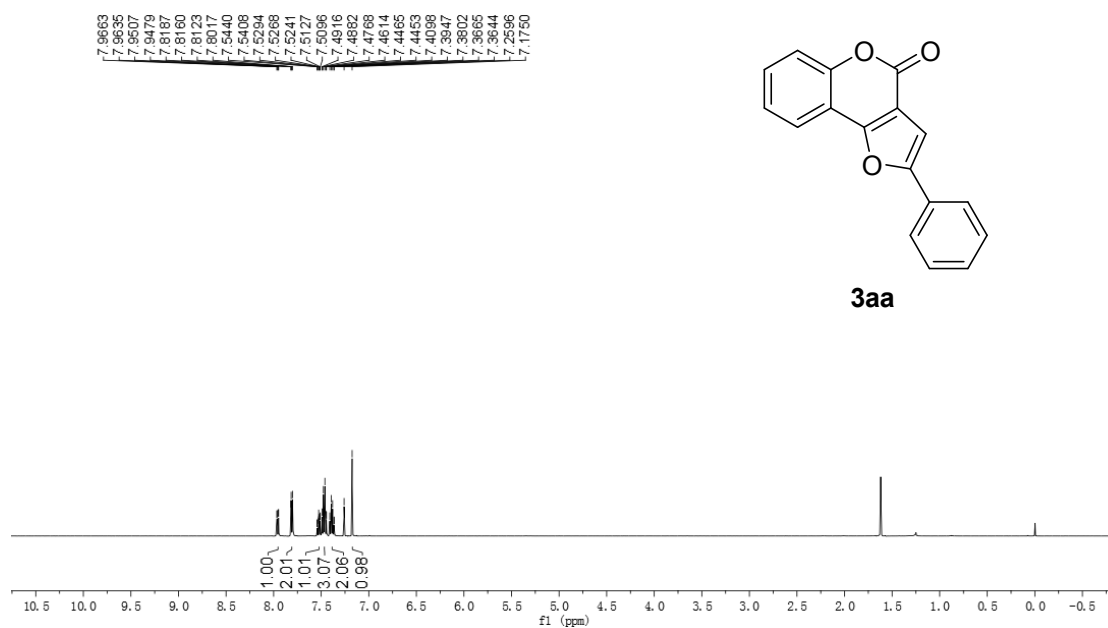


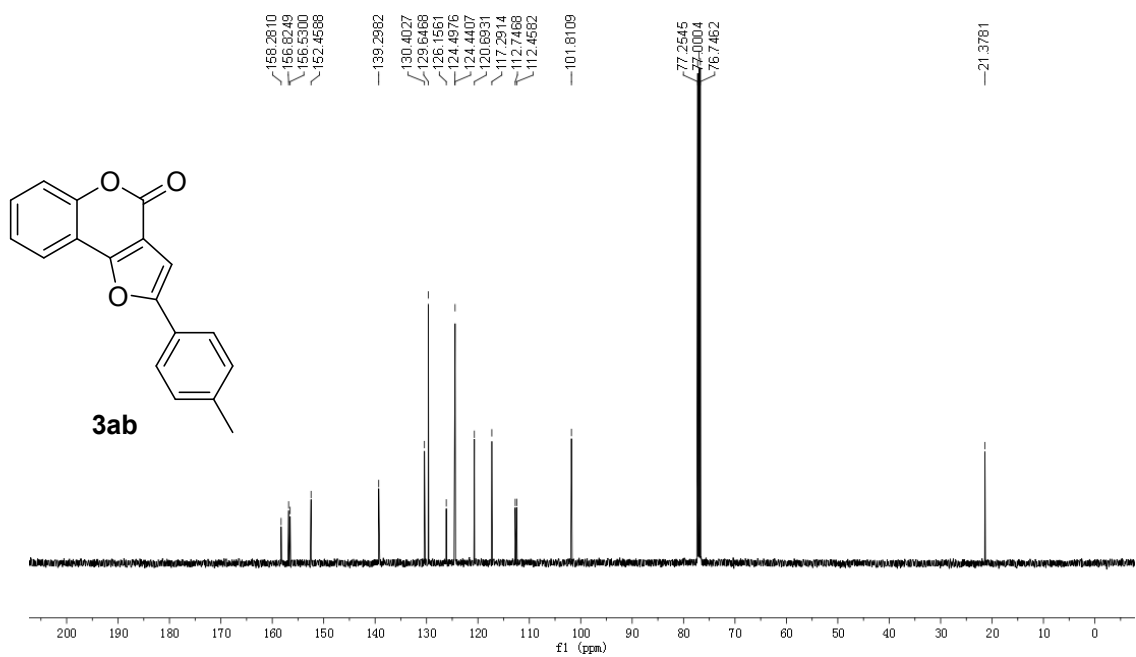
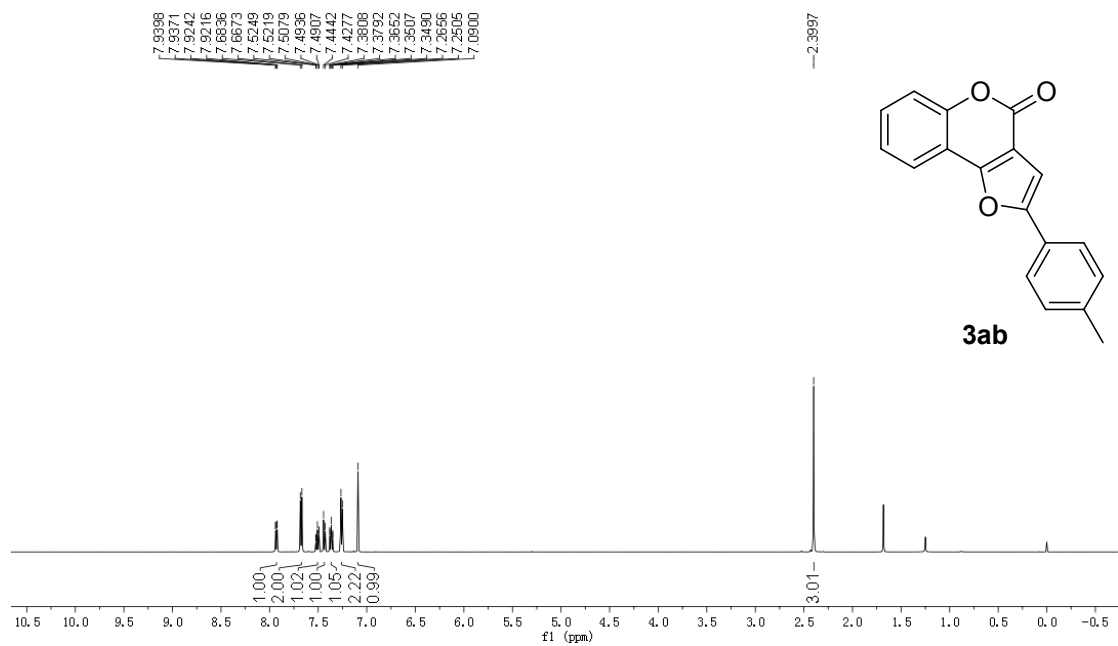
White solid, m.p. 105 °C. **FTIR** (KBr) w: 3045, 2924, 2844, 1754, 1631, 1565, 1489, 960, 750. **¹H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.71 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.58 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.48-7.38 (m, 6H), 7.30 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.07 (t, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 3.65 (dd, *J* = 15.3, 10.5 Hz, 1H), 3.23 (dd, *J* = 15.3, 8.0 Hz, 1H). **¹³C NMR** (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.5, 160.5, 155.1, 139.9, 132.5, 129.0, 126.0, 124.0, 122.8, 117.0, 112.5, 101.9, 87.9, 35.0, 29.7. **HRMS** (m/z) (ESI): calcd for C₁₇H₁₃O₃ 265.0865 [M+H⁺]; found 265.00858.

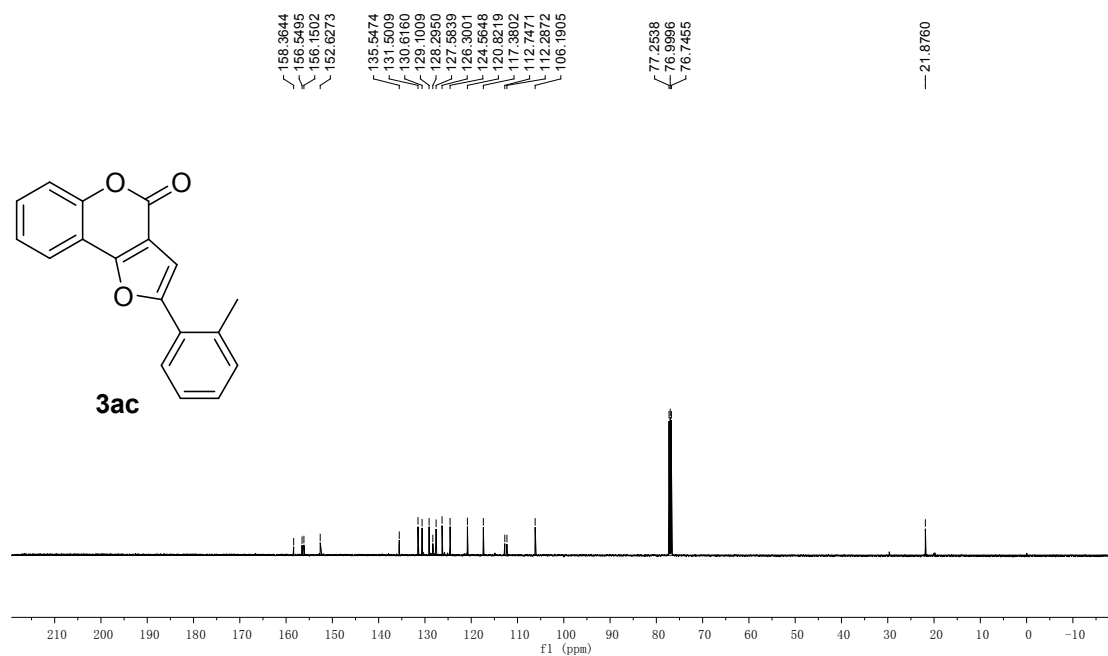
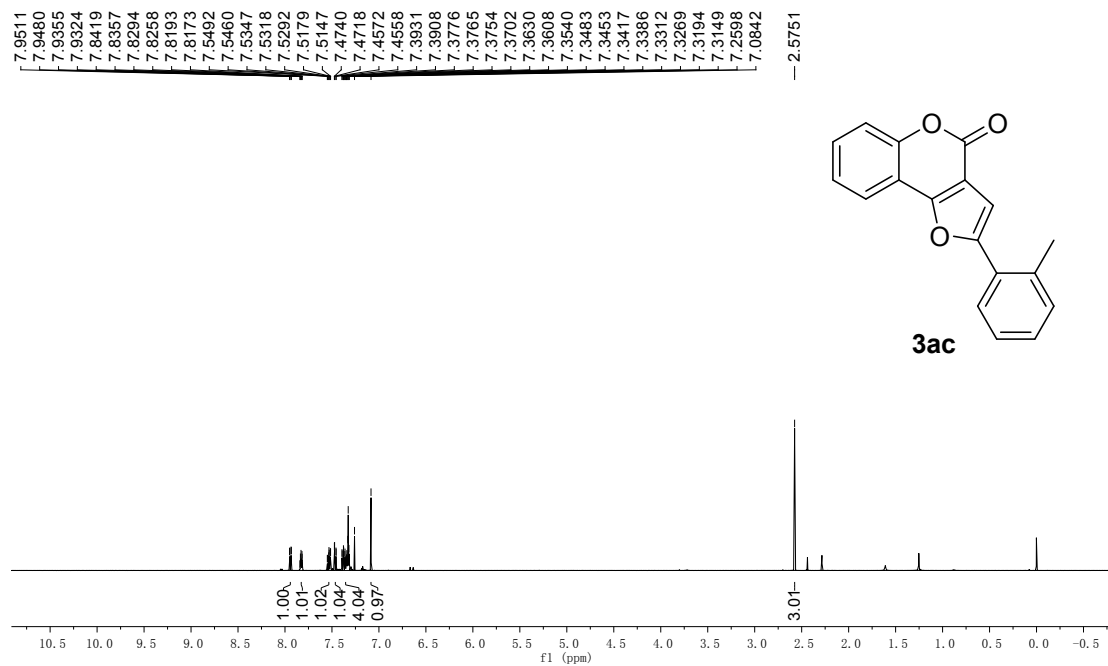
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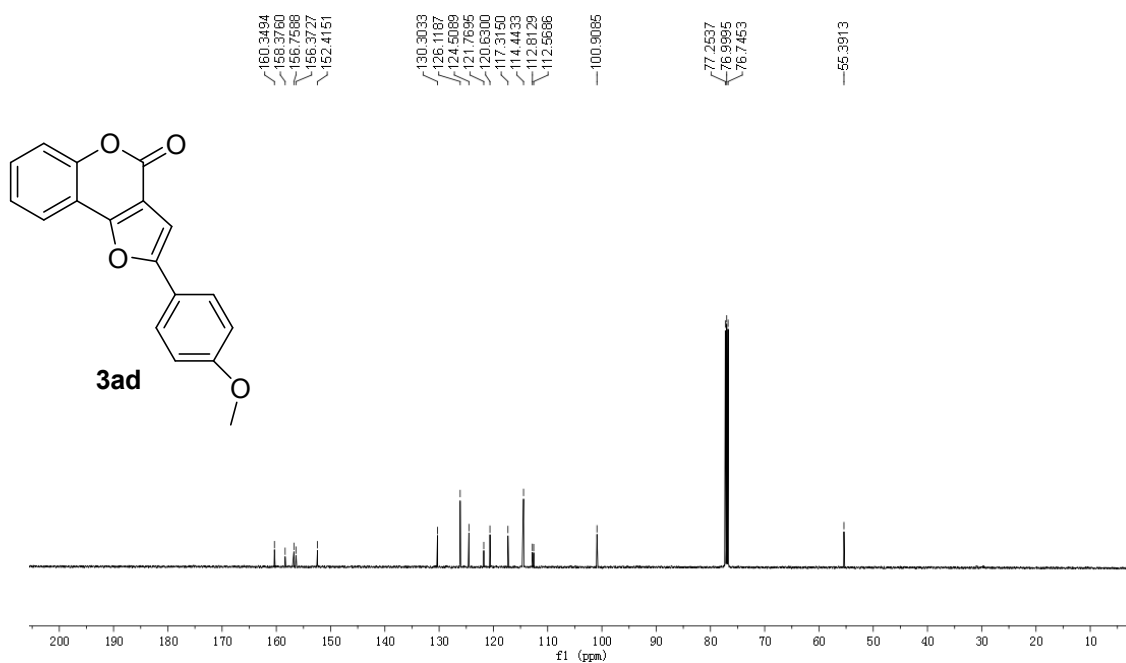
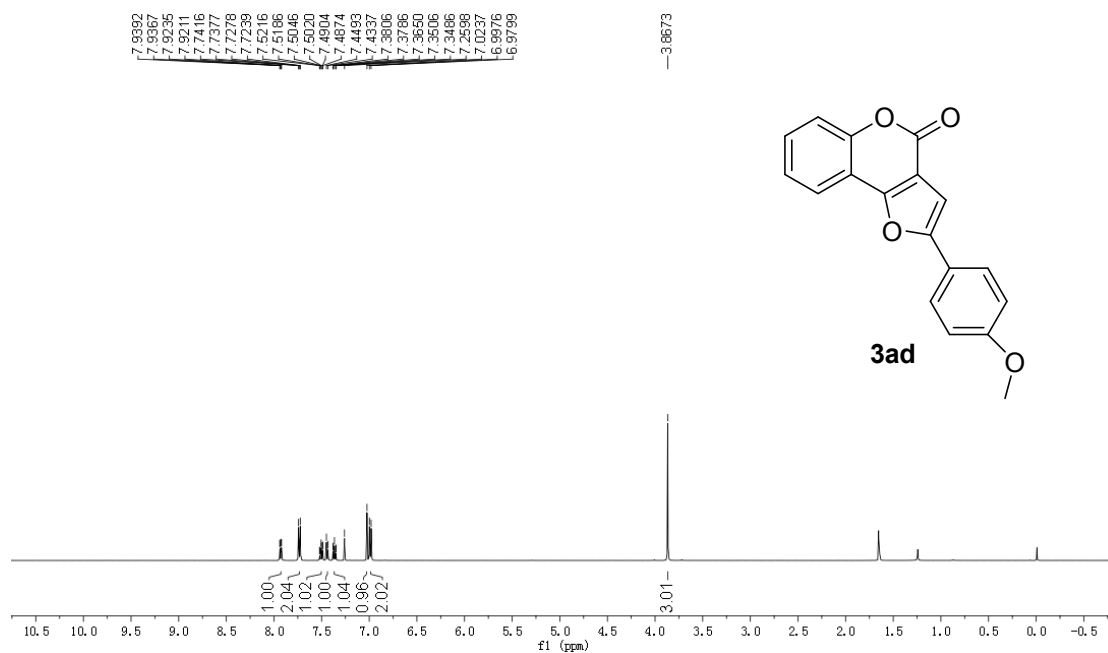


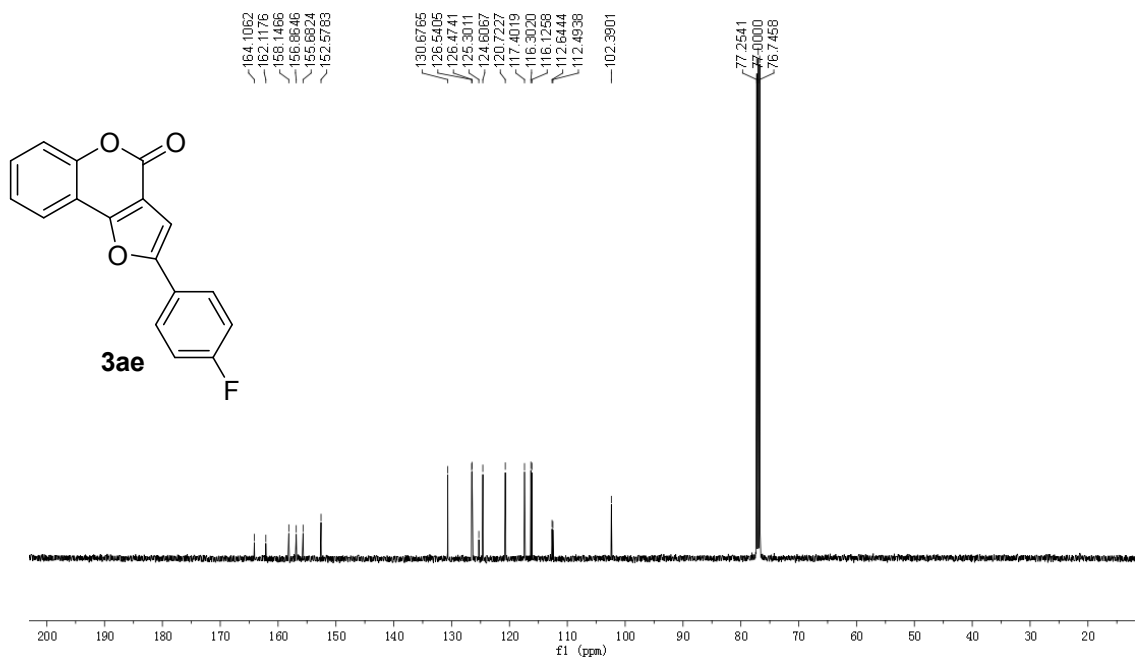
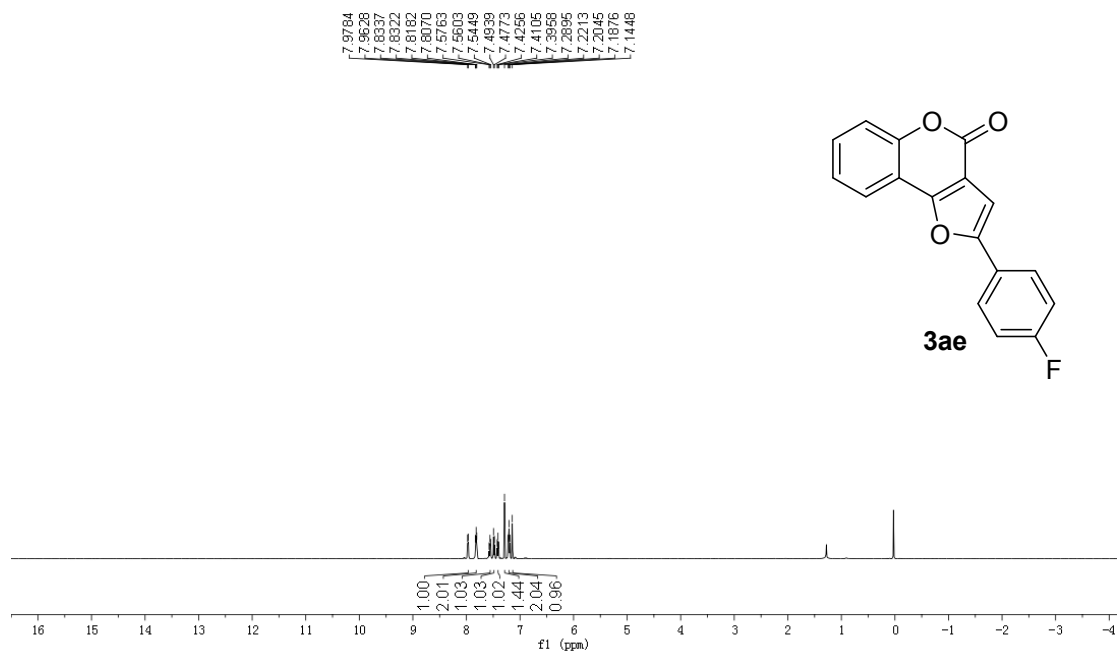
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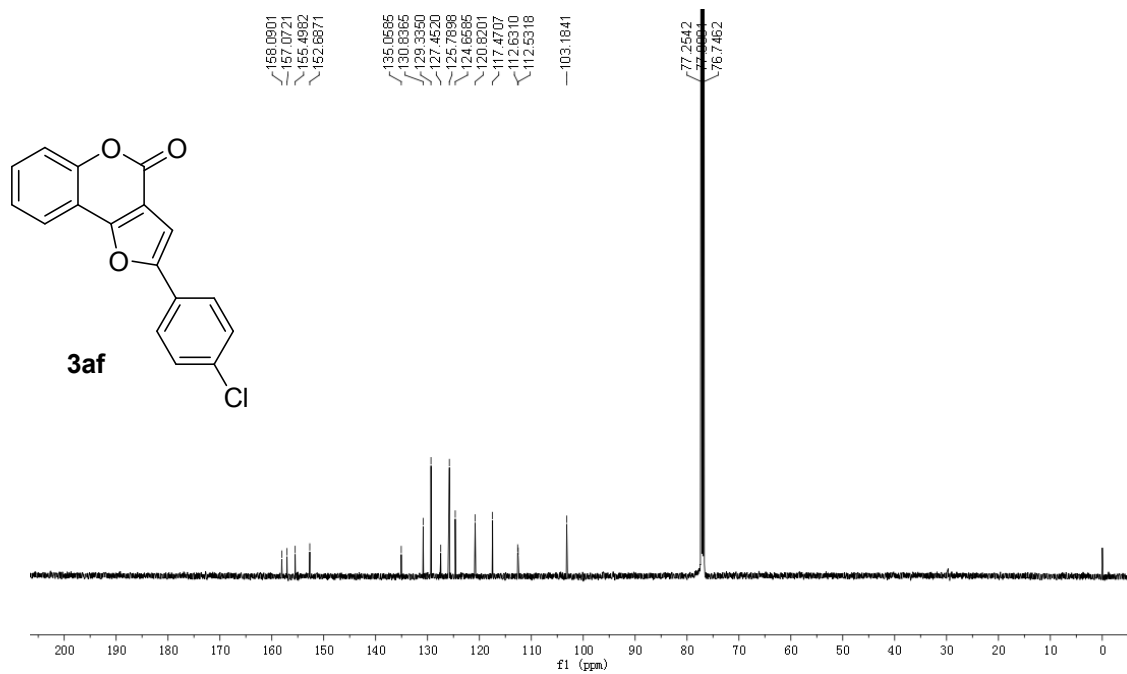
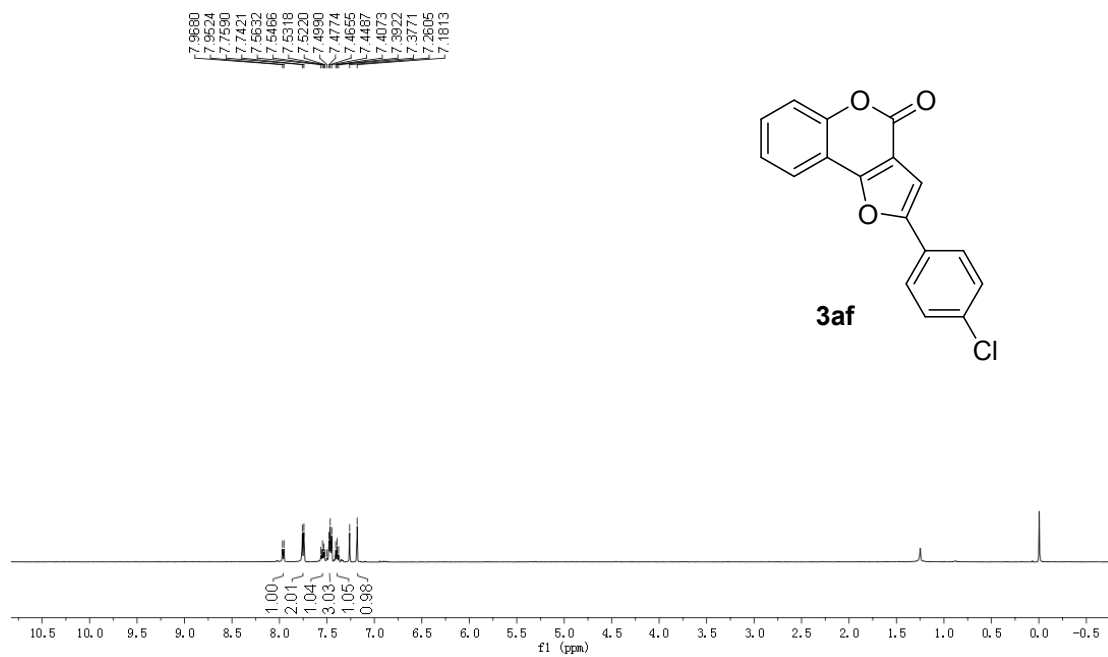


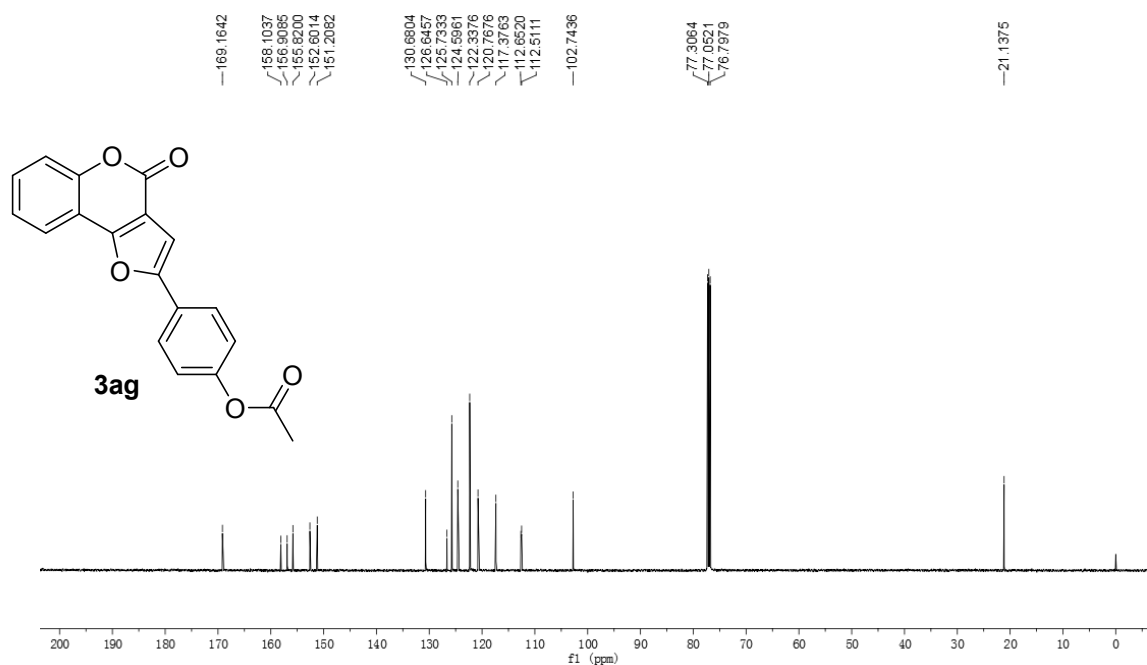
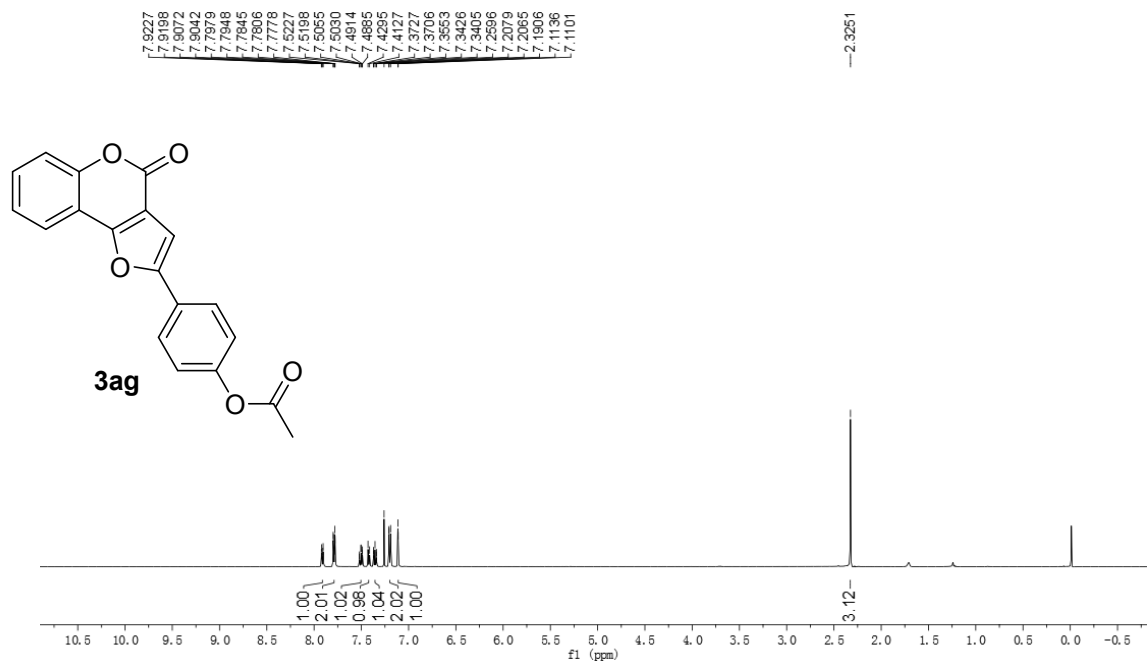


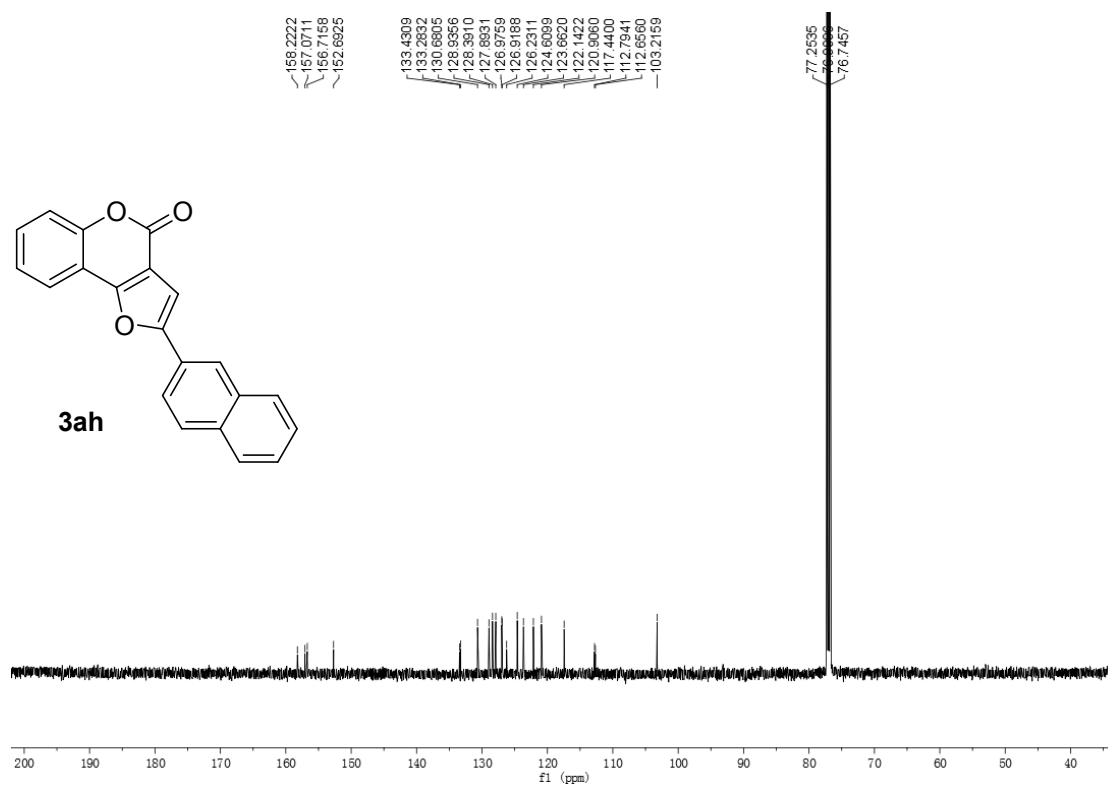
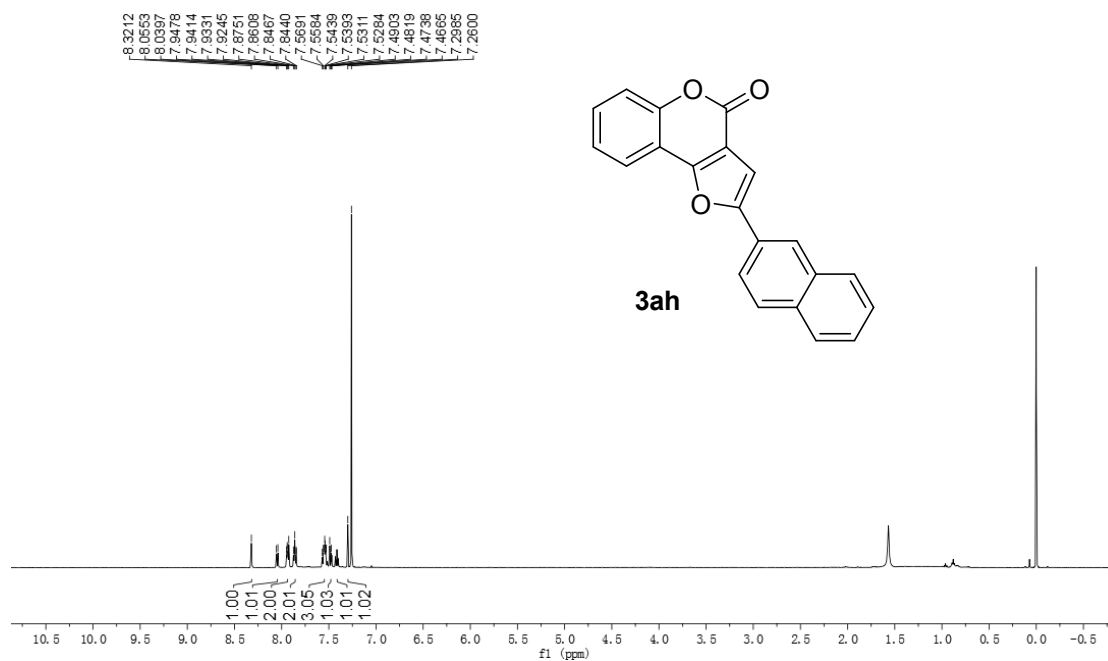


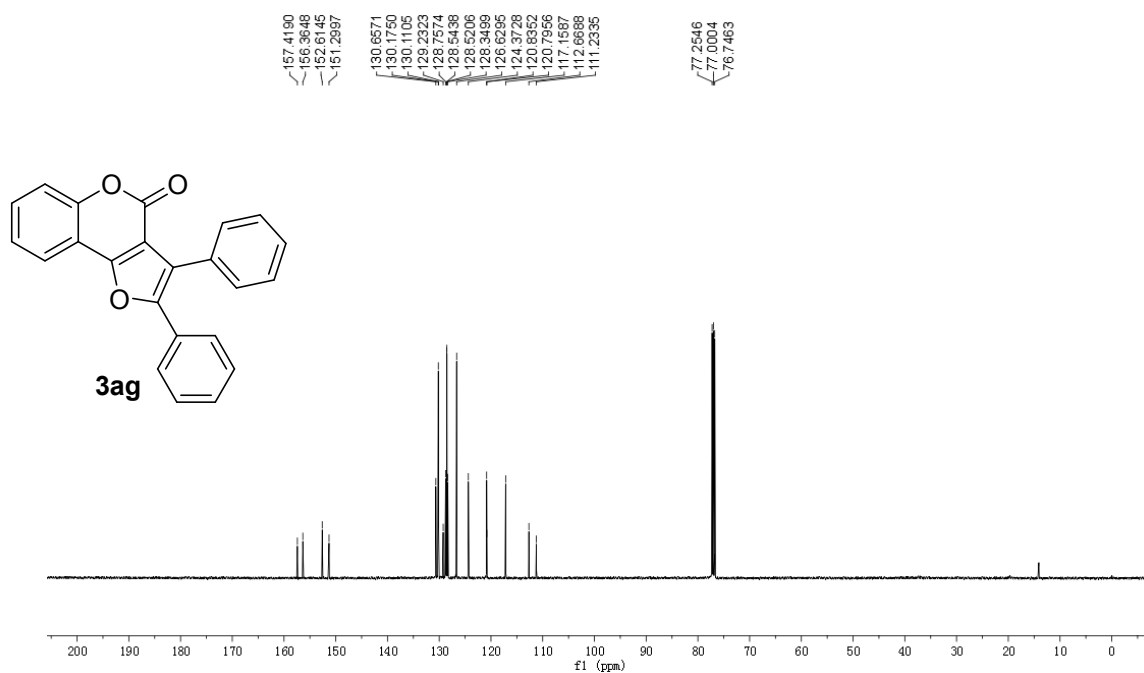
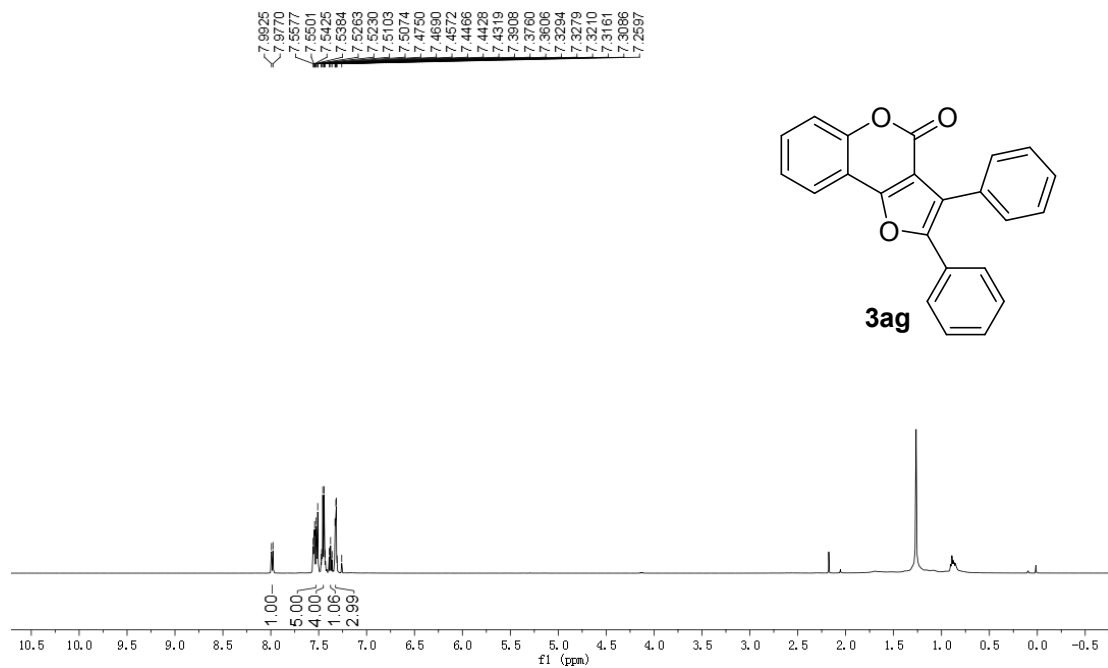


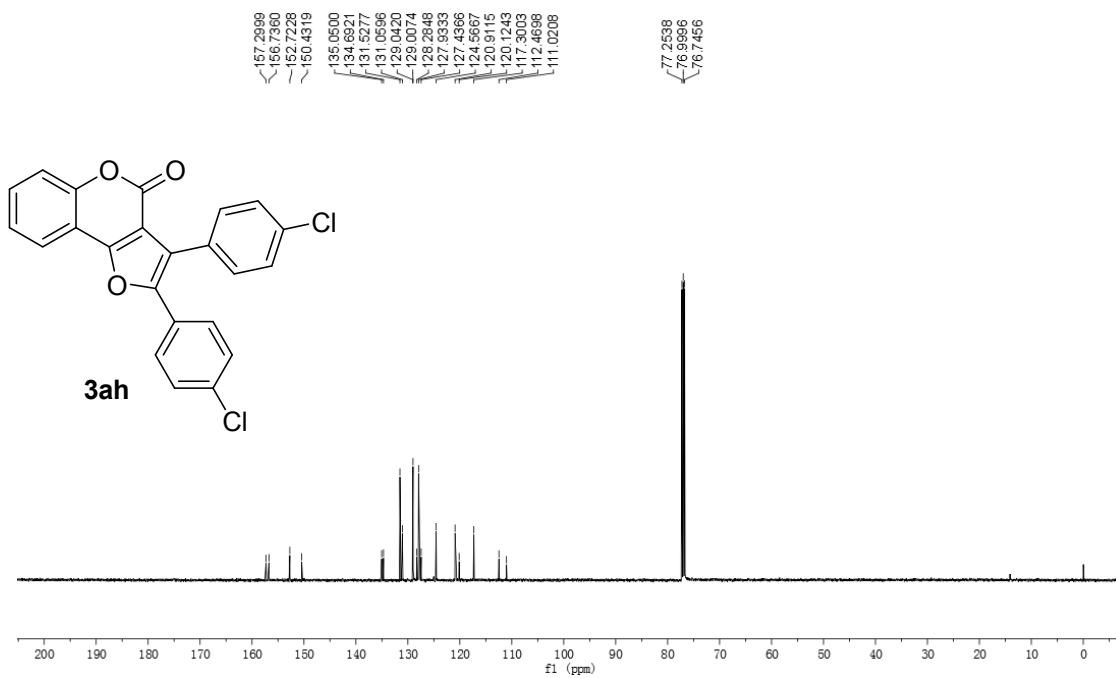
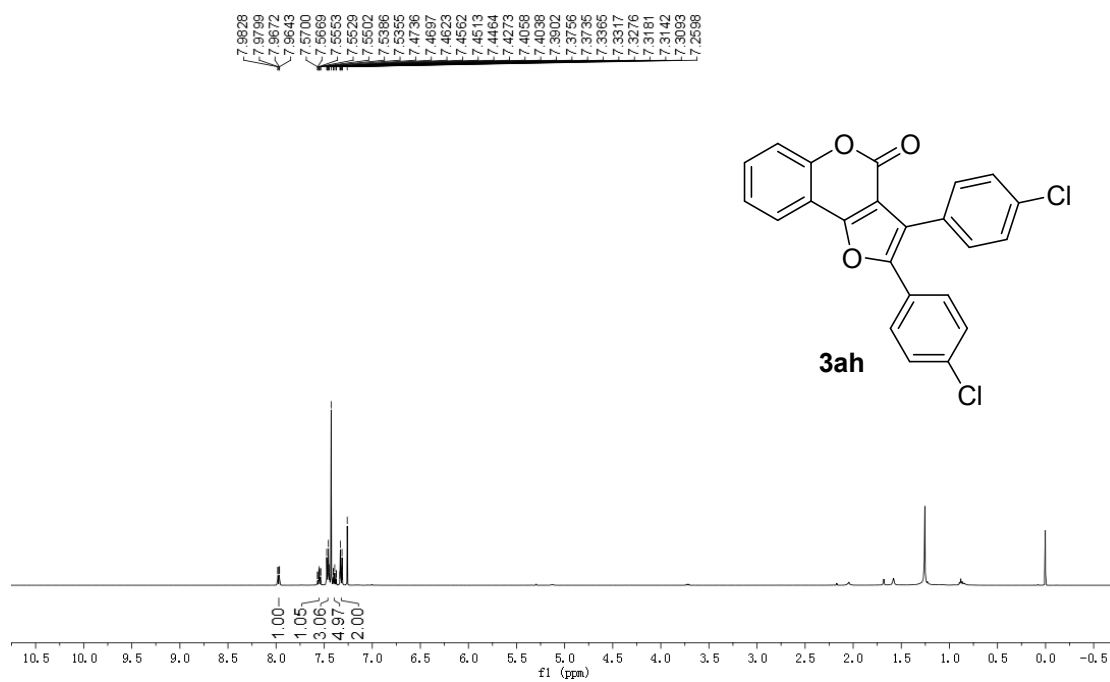


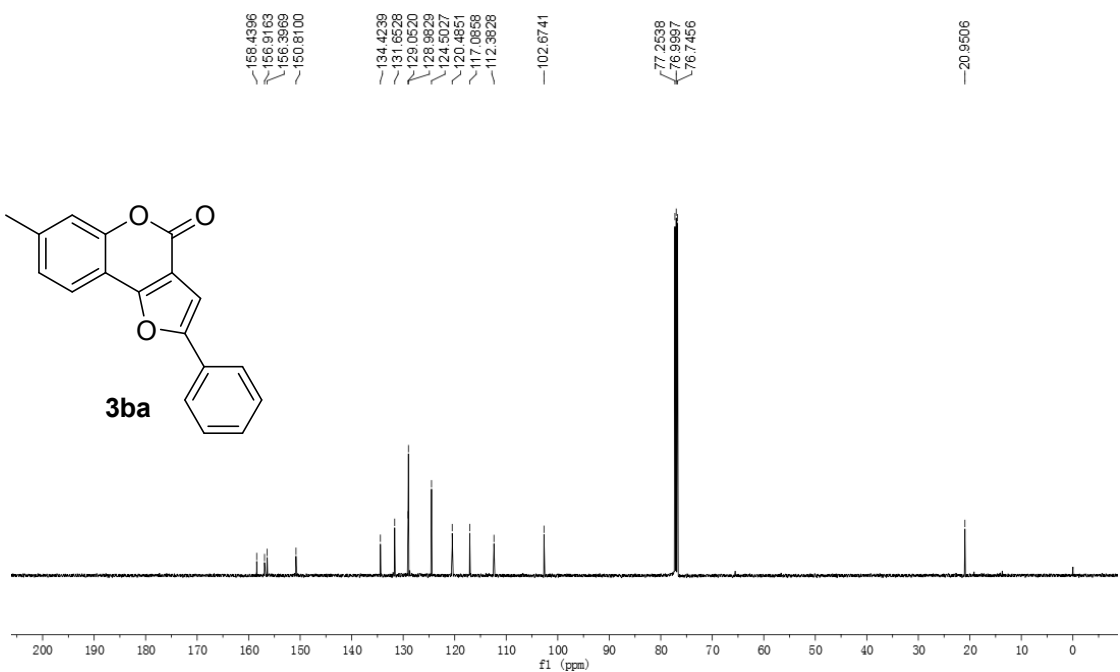
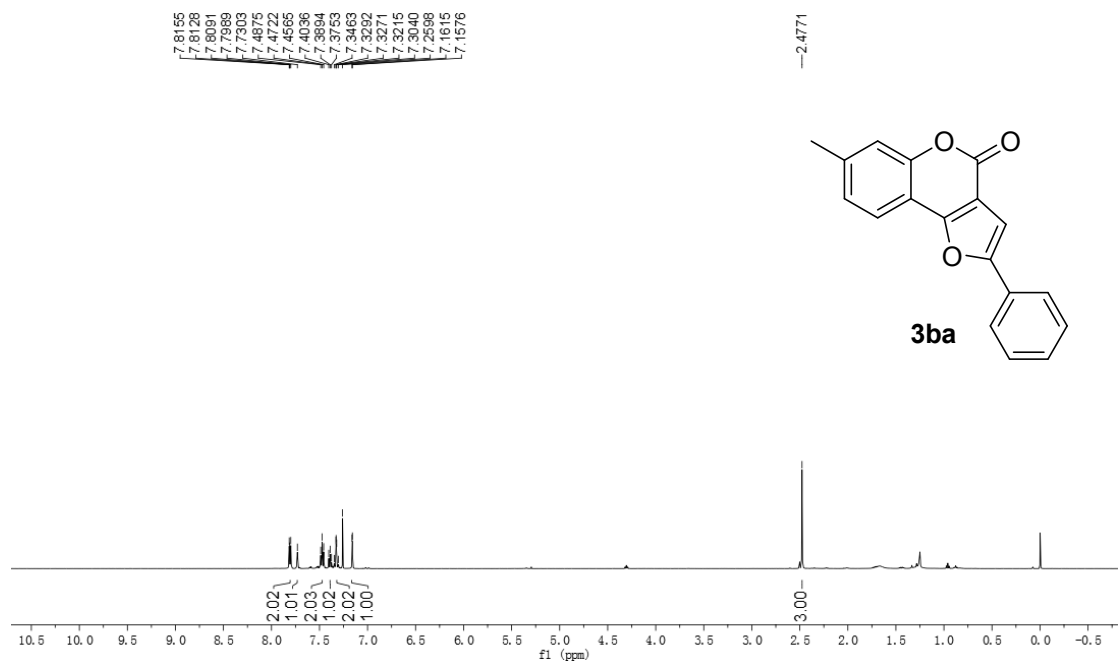


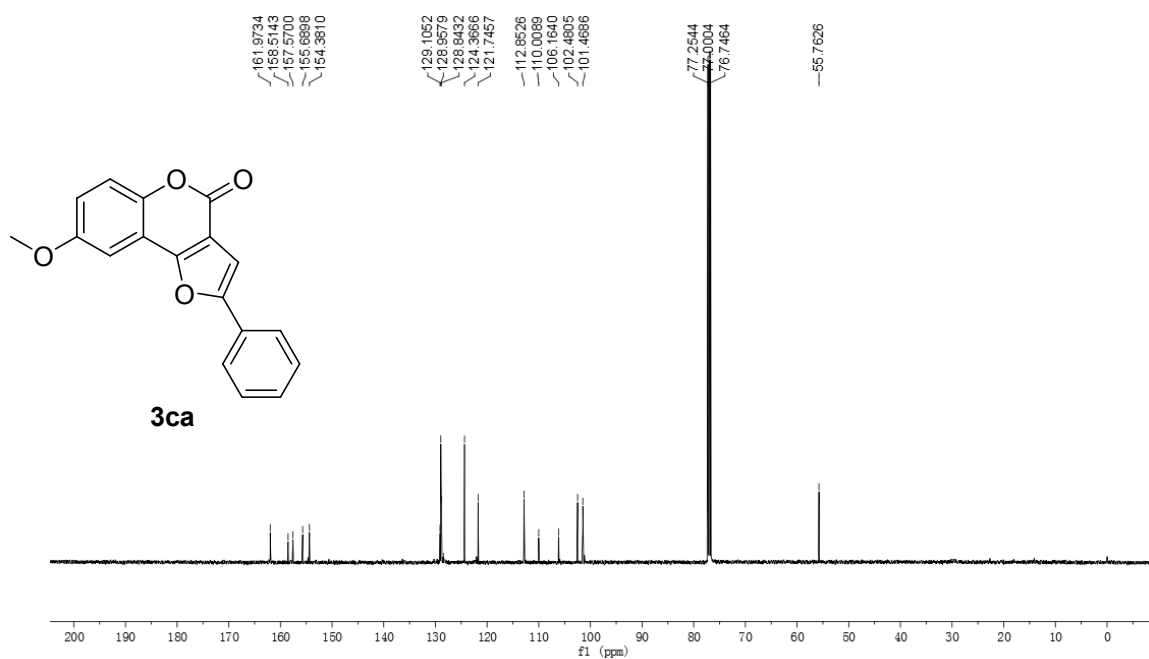
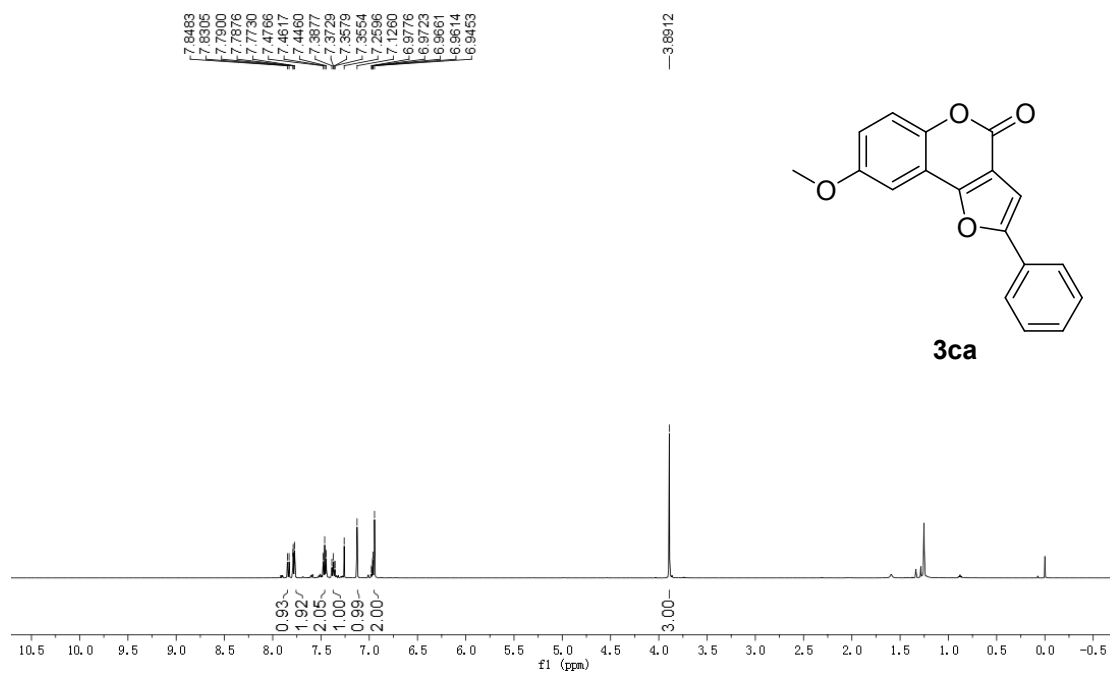


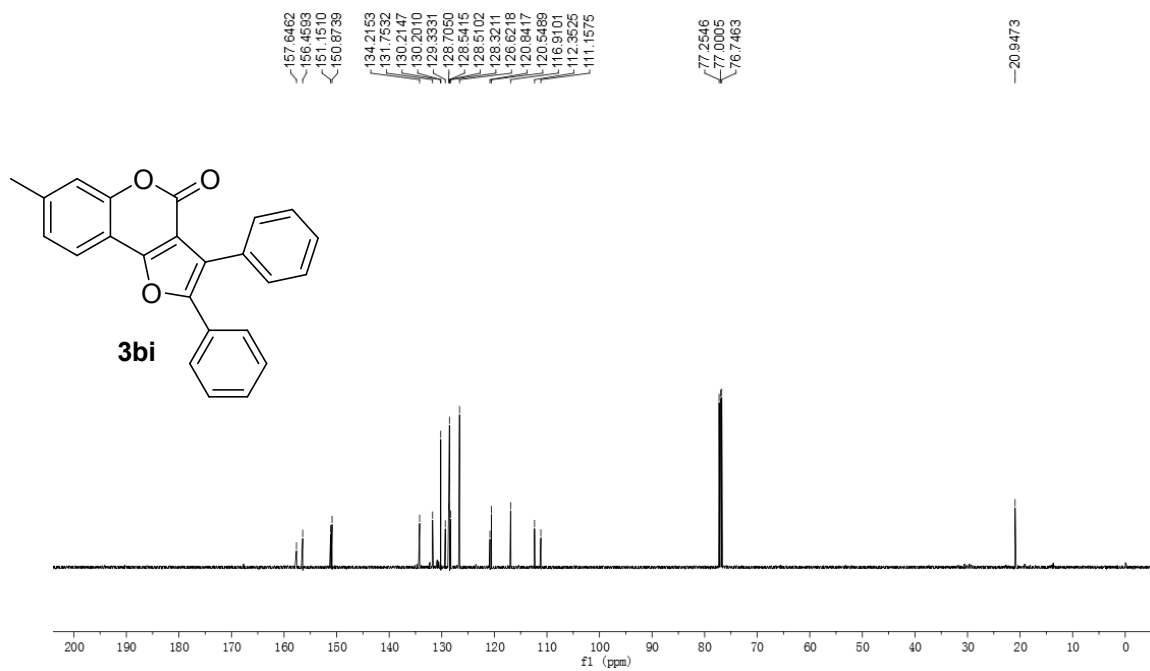
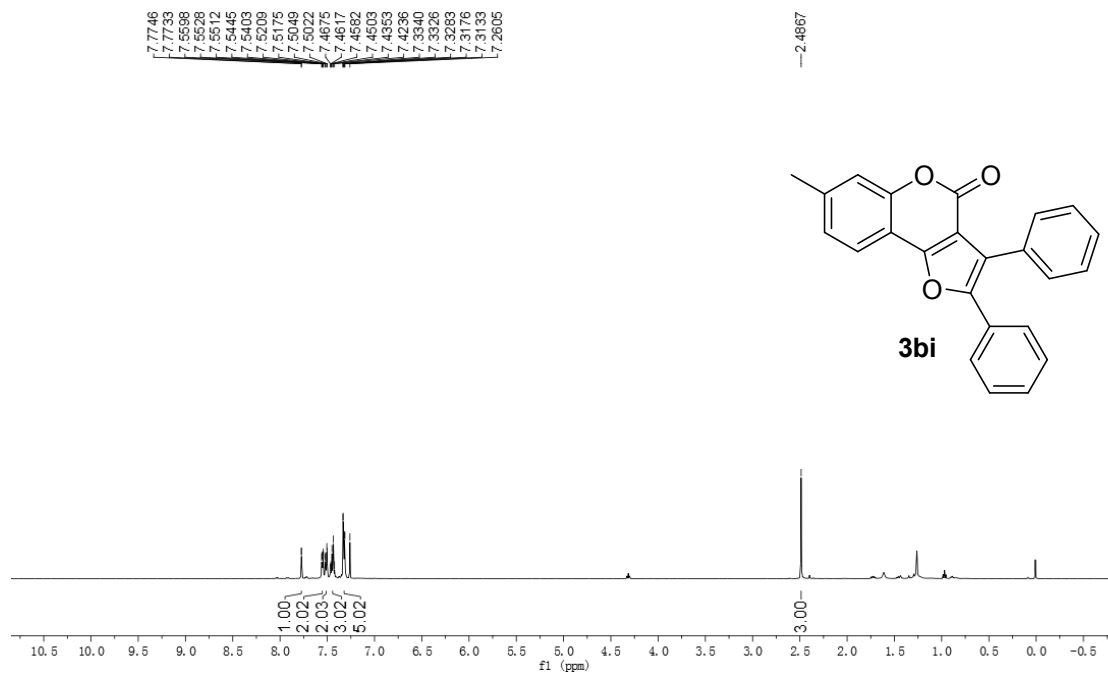


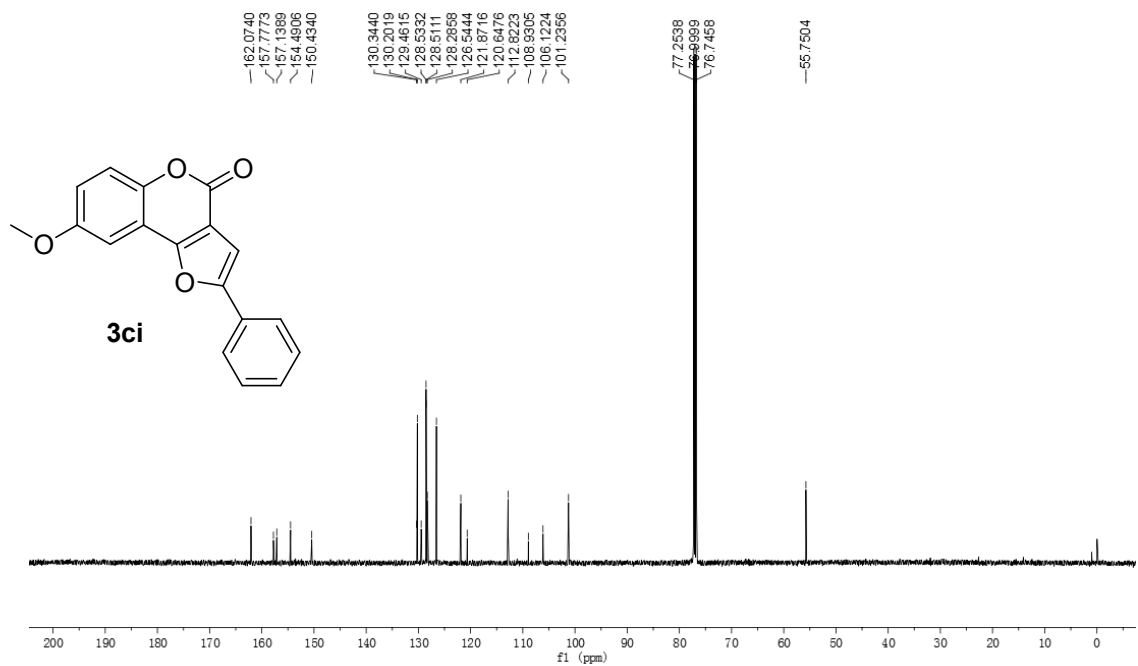
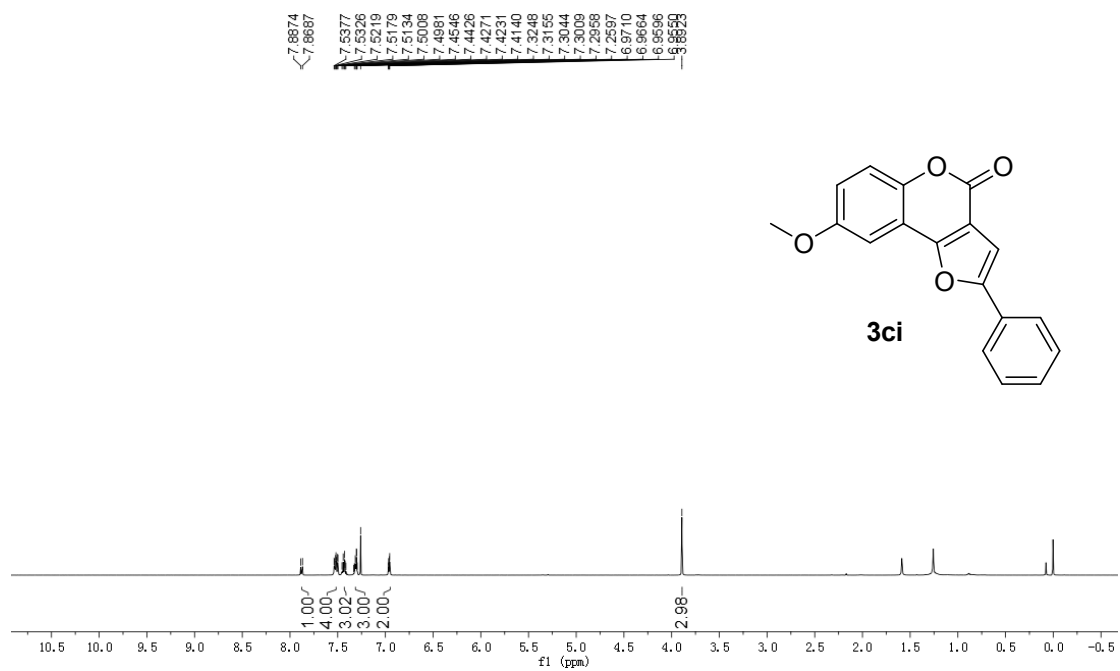


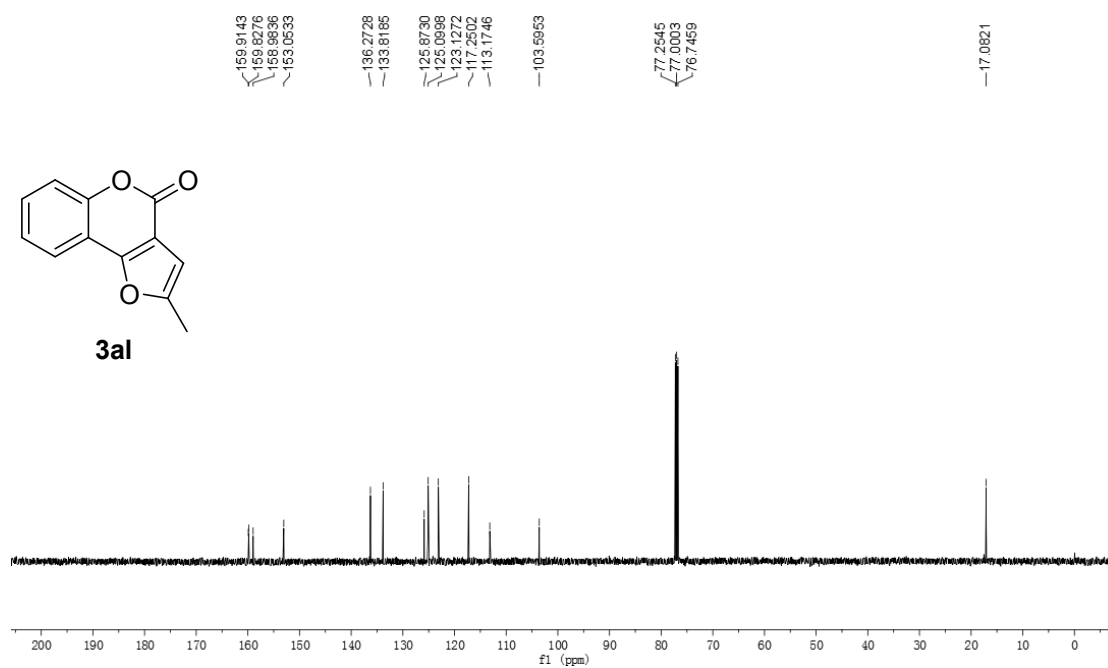
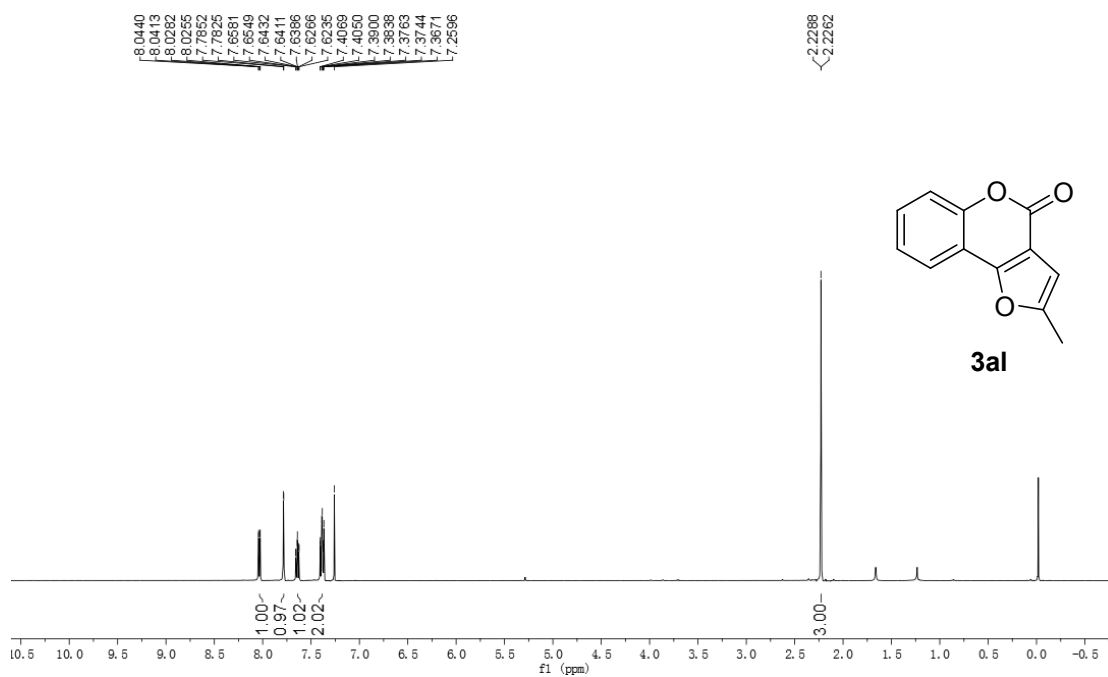


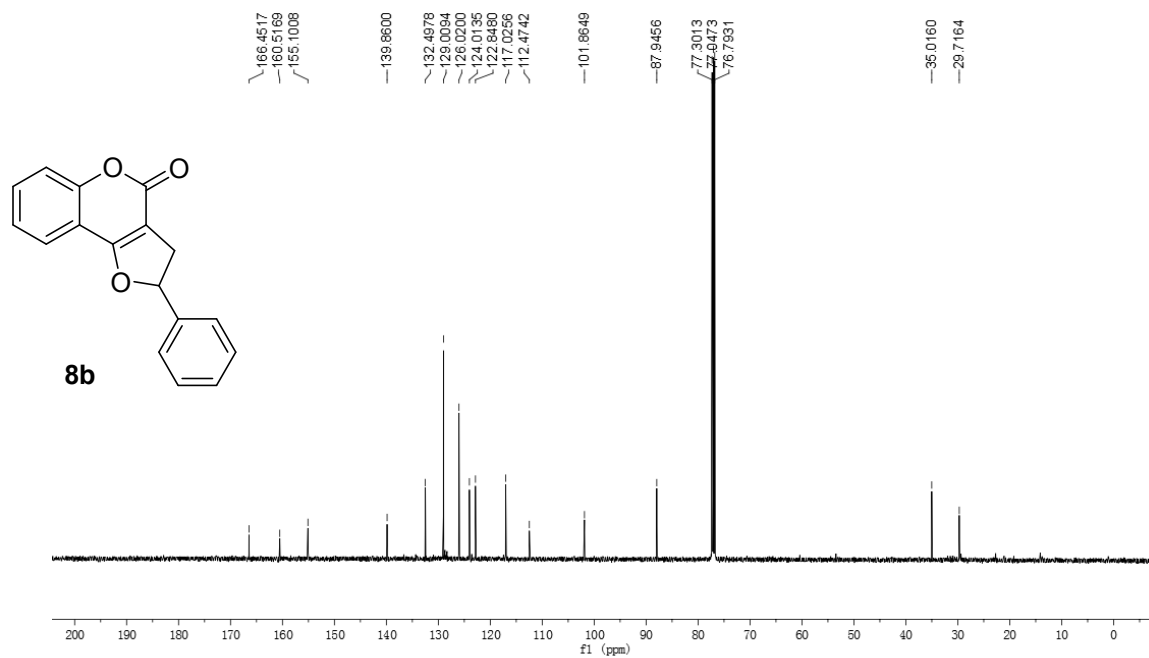
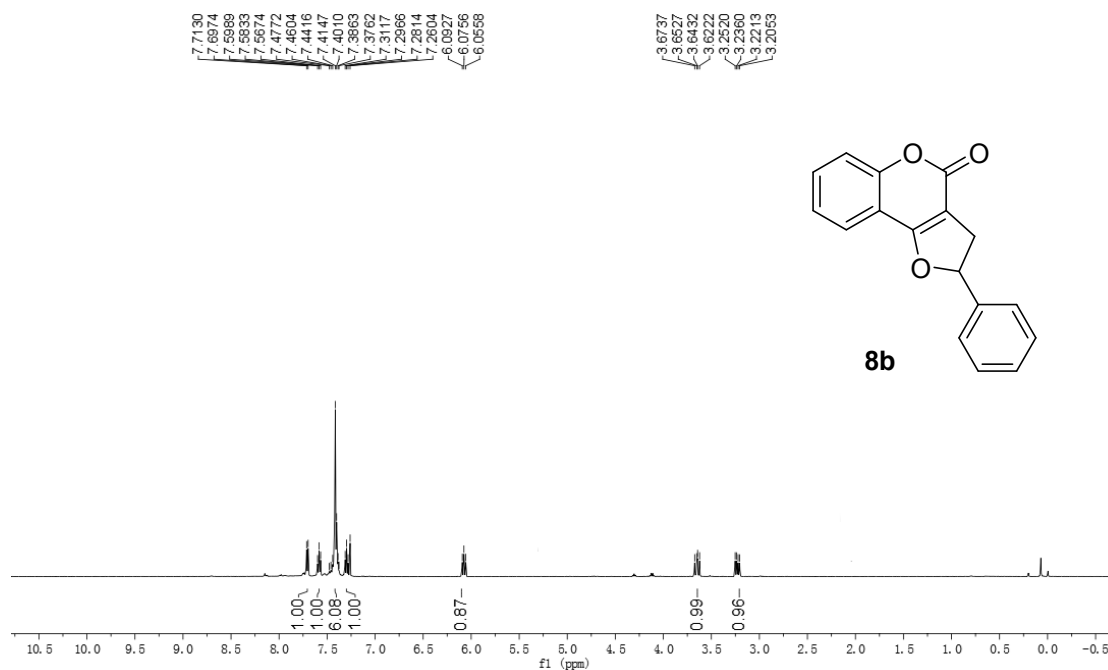


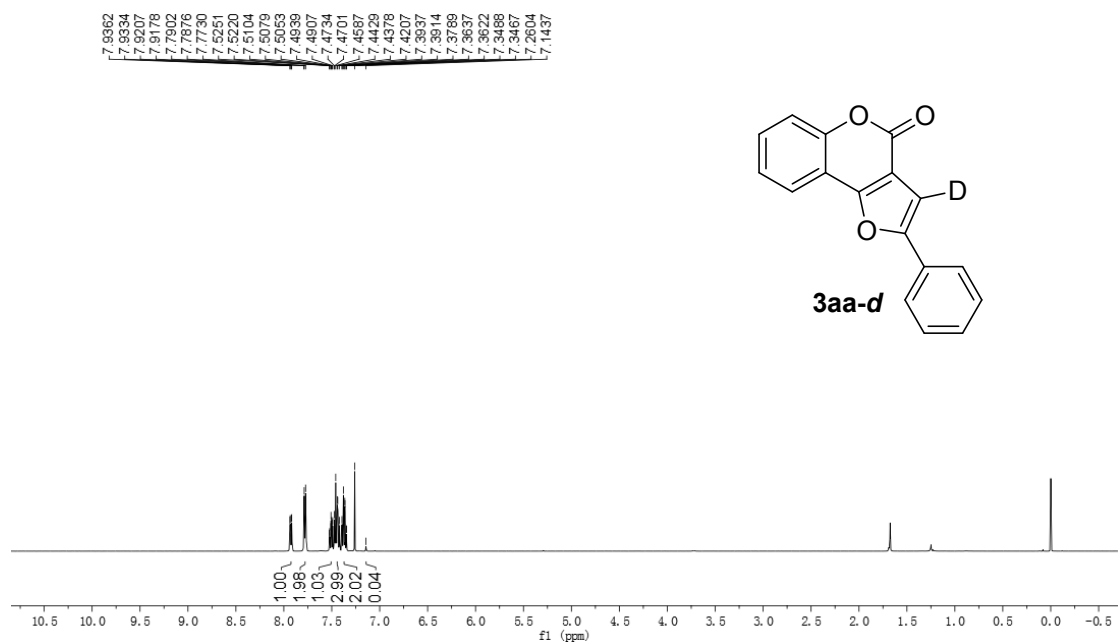




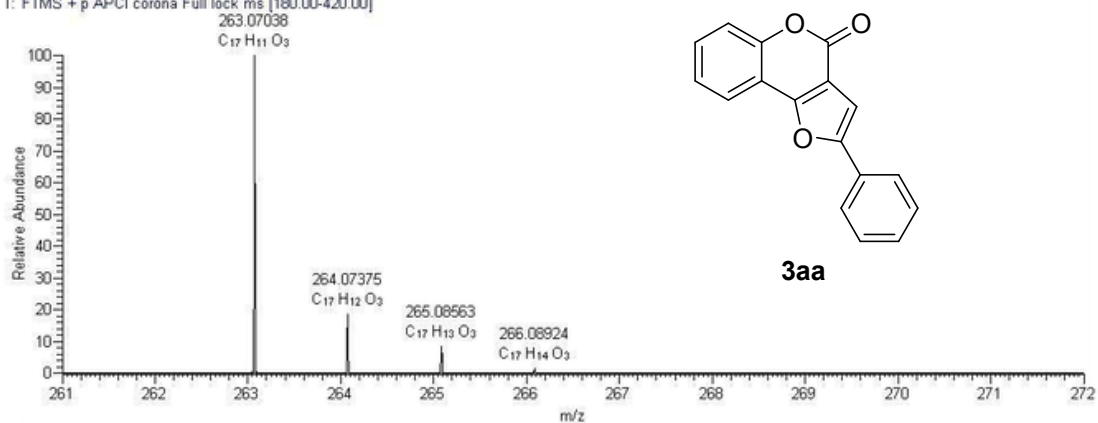




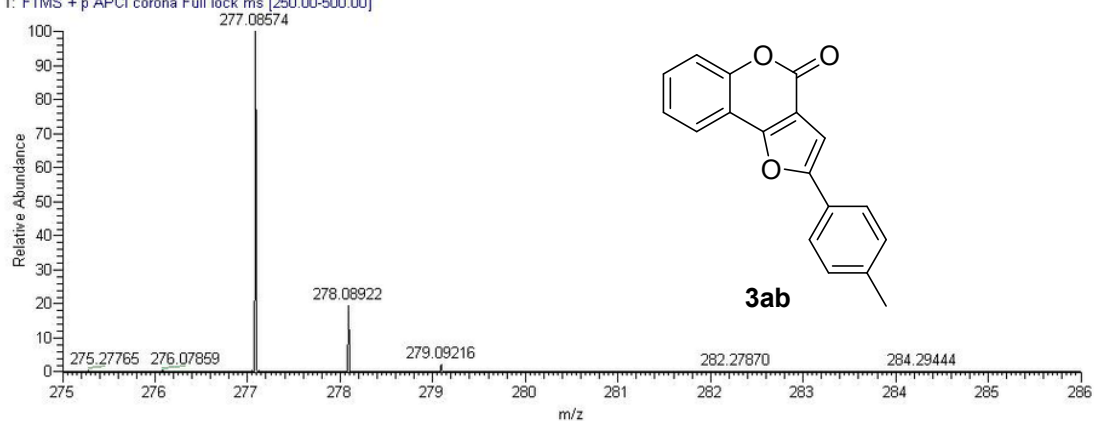




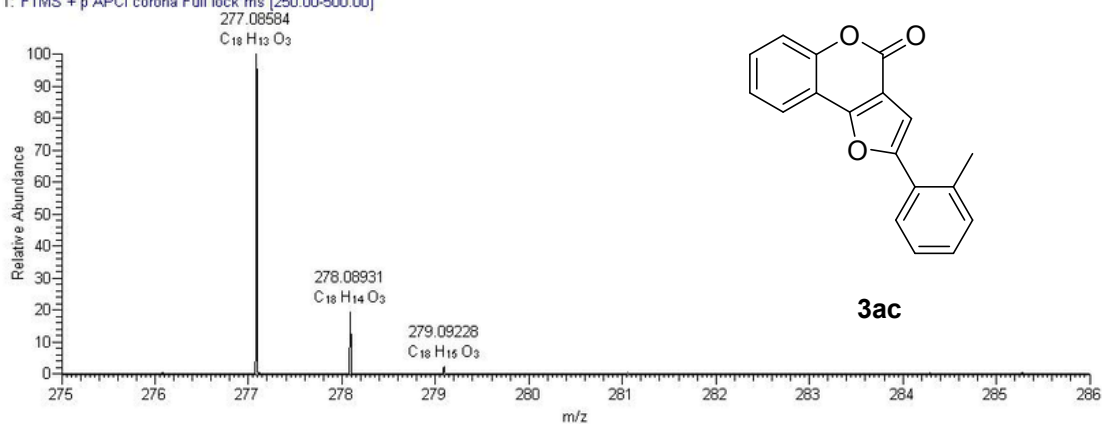
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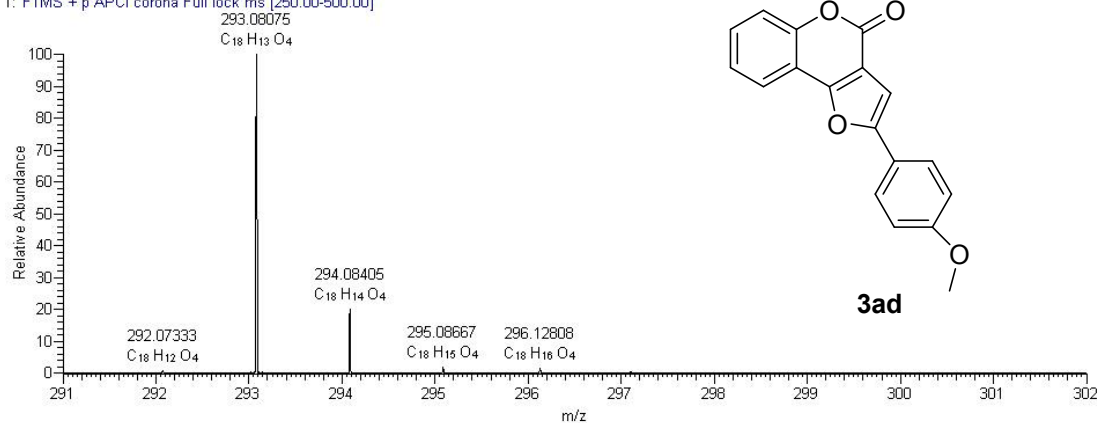
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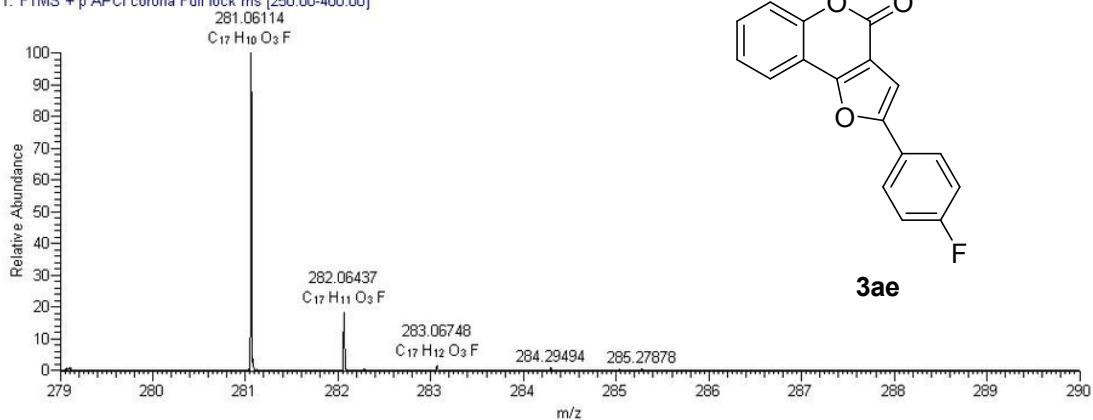
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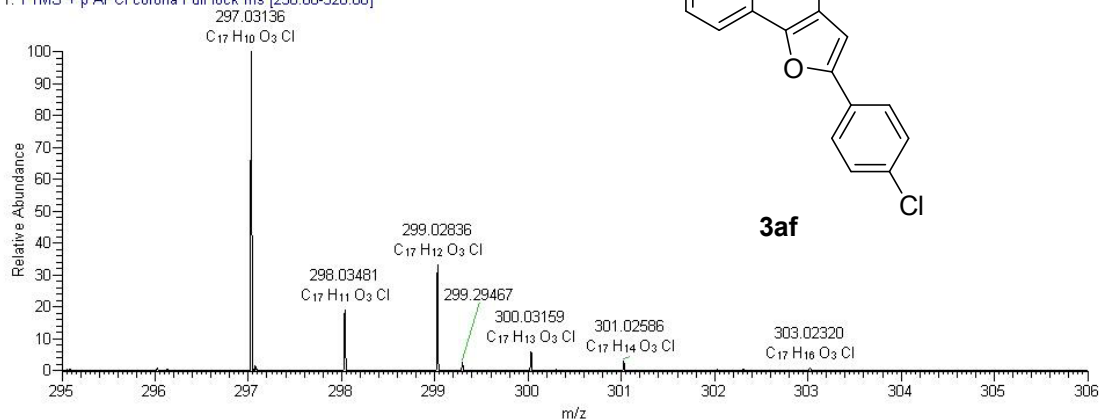
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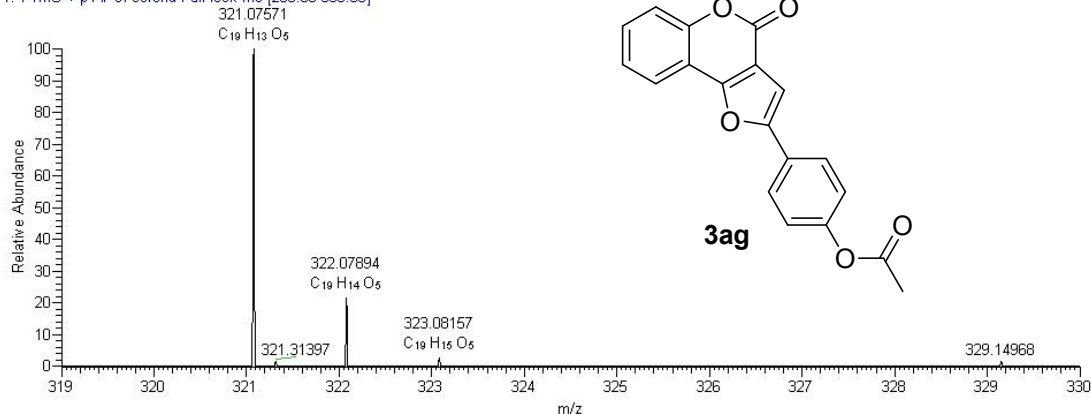
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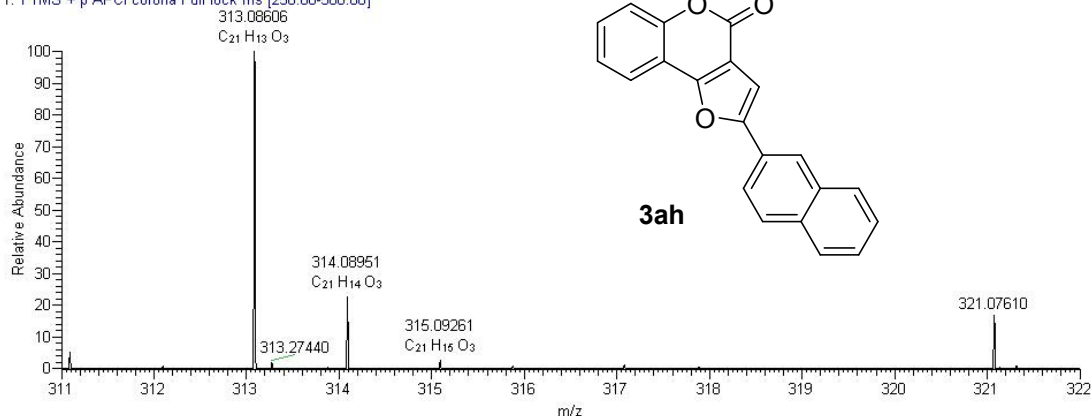
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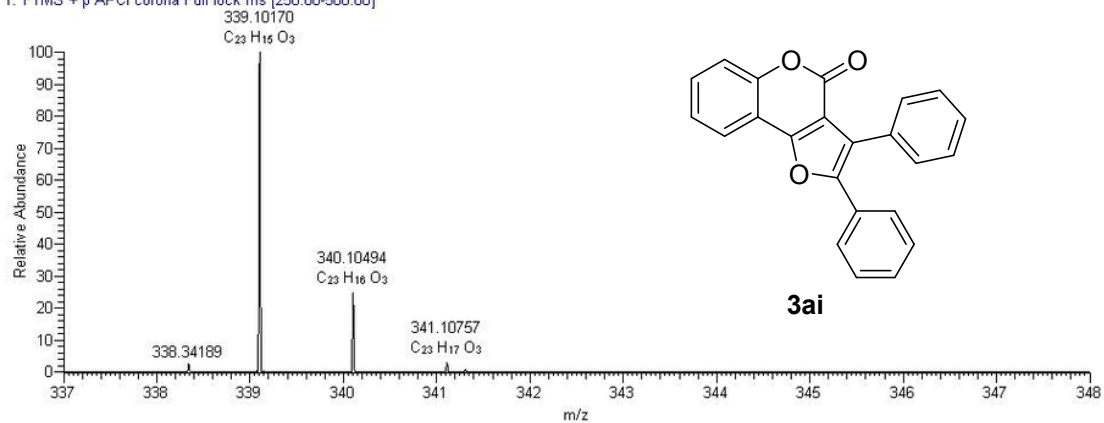


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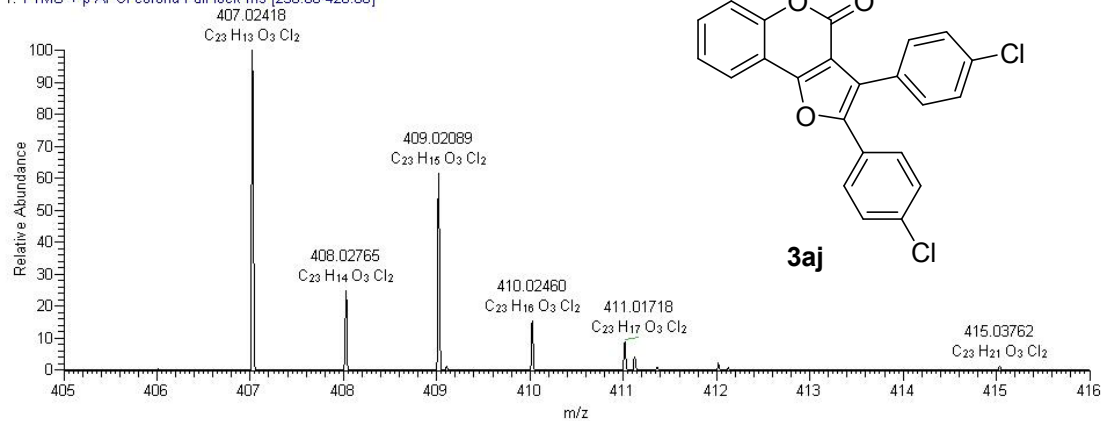
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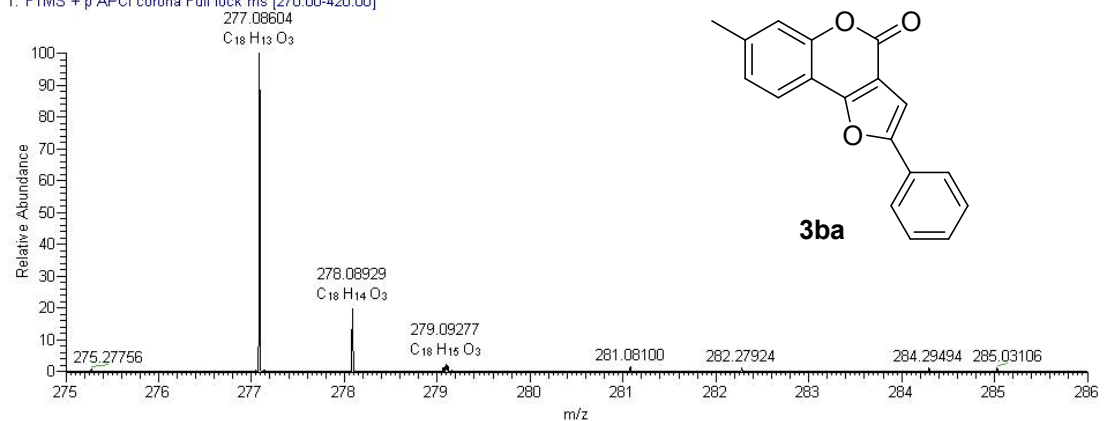
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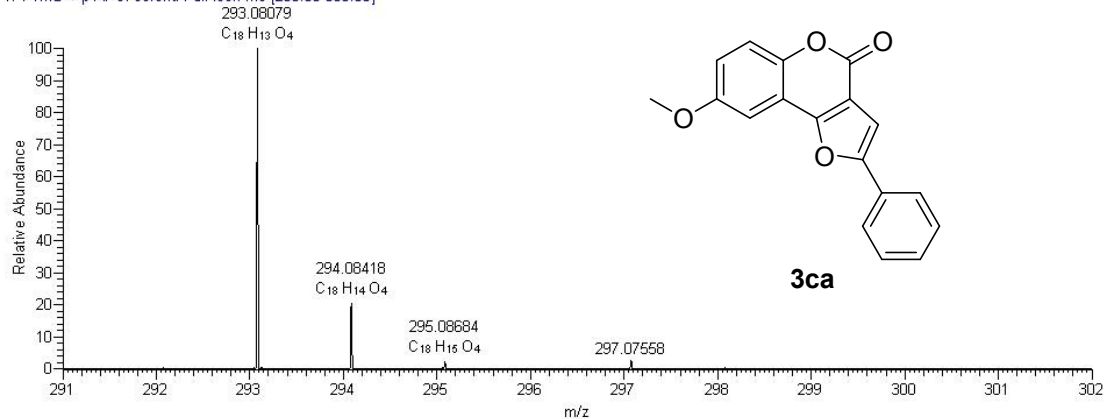


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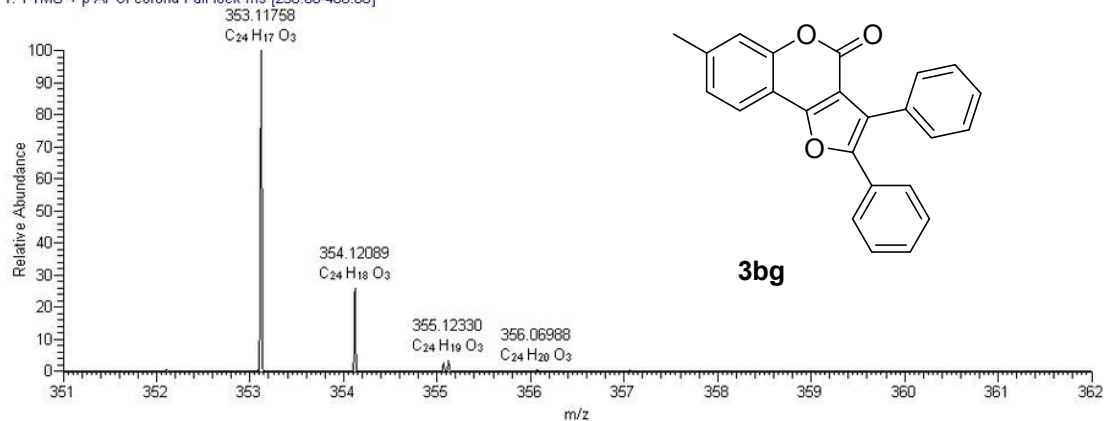
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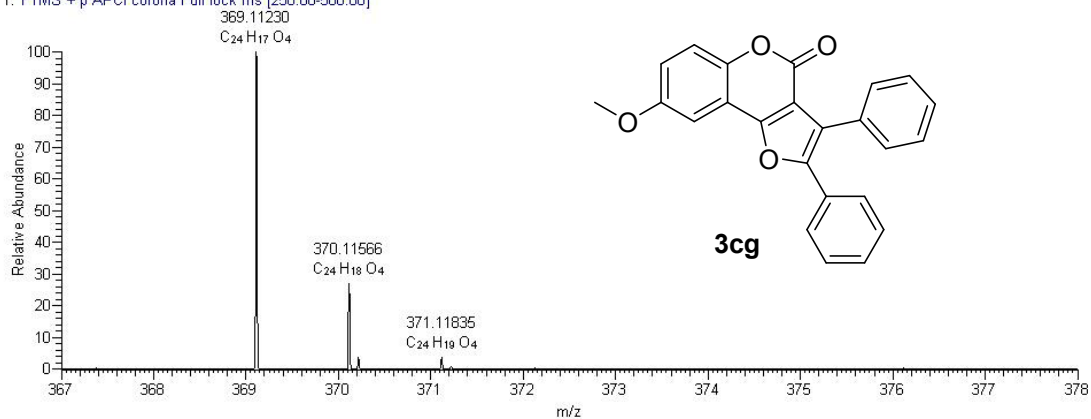
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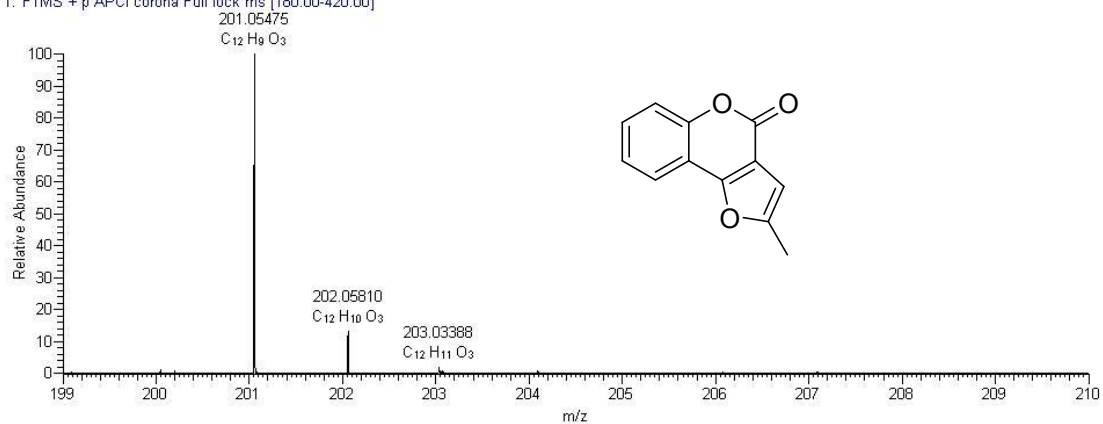
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5-45 140708161947 #2-11 RT: 0.01-0.04 AV: 10 NL: 9.09E6
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5-58 #2-4 RT: 0.01-0.02 AV: 3 NL: 6.90E6
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4-2 #2-14 RT: 0.01-0.05 AV: 13 NL: 3.04E7
T: FTMS + p APCI corona Full lock ms [250.00-420.00]

