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Acid-Mediated Ring-Expansion of 2,2-Disubstituted Azetidine Carbamates to 6,6-Disubstituted 1,3-Oxazinan-2-ones

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General Experimental Considerations

All non-aqueous reactions were carried out under an inert atmosphere (argon) with flame-dried glassware, using standard techniques. Anhydrous solvents were obtained by filtration through drying columns (CH_2Cl_2 , THF, EtOH) or used as supplied (benzene and MeCN). Reactions in sealed tubes were run using Biotage microwave vials (2–5 mL) and aluminium caps with molded butyl (when using benzene) or butyl/PTFE (when using CH_2Cl_2) septa.

Flash chromatography was performed using 230–400 mesh silica, with the indicated solvent system according to standard techniques. Analytical thin-layer chromatography (TLC) was performed on precoated glass-backed silica gel plates. Visualization of the developed chromatogram was performed by UV absorbance (254 nm) and stained with aqueous potassium permanganate solution, a ninhydrin solution in ethanol or a phosphomolybdic acid solution in ethanol.

Infrared spectra (ν_{max} , FTIR ATR) were recorded in reciprocal centimeters (cm^{-1}). (br = broad, w = weak).

Nuclear magnetic resonance spectra were recorded on 400 or 500 MHz spectrometers. The frequency used to record the NMR spectra is given in each assignment and spectrum (^1H NMR at 400 or 500 MHz; ^{13}C NMR at 101 MHz or 126 MHz; ^{19}F NMR at 377 MHz; ^{11}B NMR at 128 MHz). Chemical shifts for ^1H NMR spectra are recorded in parts per million with the residual protic solvent resonance as the internal standard (CDCl_3 : $\delta = 7.27$ ppm, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$: $\delta = 2.50$ ppm, CD_3OD : $\delta = 3.35$ ppm). Data is reported as follows: chemical shift (multiplicity [s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, p = pentet, m = multiplet and br = broad], coupling constant (in Hz), integration and assignment). ^{13}C NMR spectra were recorded with complete proton decoupling. Chemical shifts are reported in parts per million with the residual protic solvent resonance as the internal standard ($^{13}\text{CDCl}_3$: $\delta = 77.0$ ppm, $(^{13}\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$: $\delta = 39.5$ ppm, $^{13}\text{CD}_3\text{OD}$: $\delta = 49.0$ ppm). Assignments of ^1H and ^{13}C spectra were based upon the analysis of δ and J values, as well as DEPT, COSY and HSQC experiments where appropriate. ^{19}F NMR spectra were recorded with or without complete proton decoupling. Decoupling is indicated as ($^{19}\text{F}\{^1\text{H}\}$) and where relevant this is stated in each assignment and spectrum. ^{19}F NMR spectra are indirectly referenced to CFCl_3 , automatically *via* direct measurement of the absolute frequency of the deuterium lock signal by the spectrometer hardware.

For clarity NMR spectra are displayed as follows unless this would obscure signals: ^1H NMR spectra are displayed between 10 ppm and -0.5 ppm; ^{13}C NMR spectra are displayed between 210 ppm and 0 ppm; ^{19}F NMR spectra are displayed for the full sweep width as acquired.

All *tert*-butoxycarbonyl (Boc) or carboxybenzyl (Cbz) containing compounds appeared as a mixture of rotamers in the NMR spectra at rt.

Melting points are uncorrected.

The high resolution mass spectrometry (HRMS) analyses were performed using electrospray ion source (ESI) or pneumatically assisted electrospray (pNSI). ESI was performed using a Waters LCT Premier equipped with an ESI source operated in positive ion mode. The software used was MassLynx 4.1, this software does not account for the electron and all the calibrations/references are calculated accordingly, i.e. $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ is detected and the mass is calibrated to output $[\text{M}+\text{H}]$. pNSI was performed using an Orbitrap XL in positive ion mode. Samples are loop injected into or infused in a stream of $\text{H}_2\text{O}/\text{CH}_3\text{OH}$ (1:1 at 50 $\mu\text{L}/\text{min}$) using an appropriate solvent for dissolution of the sample. Nebulization was pneumatically assisted by a flow of N_2 through a sheath around the capillary.

All raw and processed data for this manuscript can be found at the Imperial College London Research Data Repository (DOI: 10.14469/hpc/4982; <https://doi.org/10.14469/hpc/4982>).

Reagents

Where the synthesis of a reagent is not stated, the reagent was commercially available.

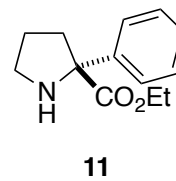
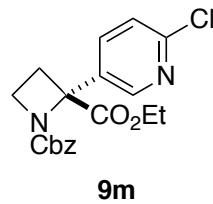
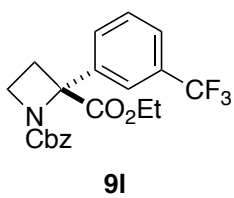
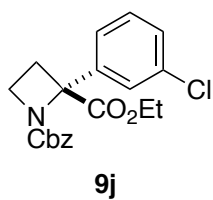
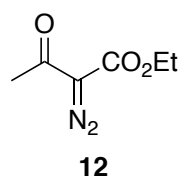
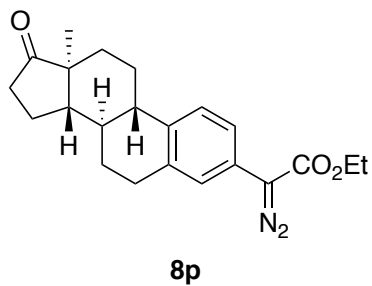
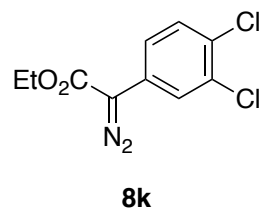
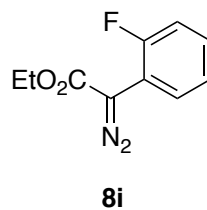
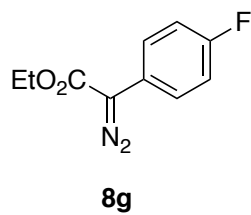
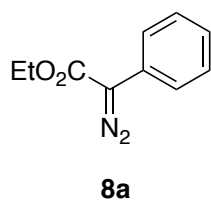
Commercial reagents were used as supplied or purified by standard techniques where necessary.

Trifluoroacetic acid was distilled prior to use.

Catalyst purity: Bis[rhodium($\alpha,\alpha,\alpha',\alpha'$ -tetramethyl-1,3-benzenedipropionic acid)] 96% (Aldrich 622623).

Notes:

- *Although we have not experienced any problems in the handling of azides or diazo reagents, care should be taken when manipulating them due to their potentially explosive nature.*
- *Melting points were not recorded for diazo compounds.*
- *For the diazo compounds synthesized, the resonance for the fully substituted C=N=N carbon in the ^{13}C NMR spectrum is often not seen due to quadrupole coupling to ^{14}N . Unless the ^{13}C resonance was observed it is not reported.*

Structures of Additional Compounds in SI**Structures of Diazo Compounds Utilised in the NICE Reaction**

Synthesis of Protected Amine Starting Materials

tert-Butyl (2-chloroethyl)carbamate **5** was prepared as previously reported.¹

Benzyl (2-chloroethyl)carbamate **6** was prepared as previously reported,¹ following a procedure by Renaud and co-workers.²

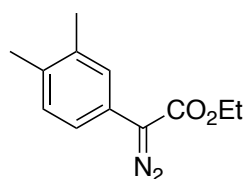
Synthesis of Diazo Compounds

Diazo compounds **8a–m** were synthesised as previously reported,³ using a procedure adapted from Davies and co-workers.⁴

Diazo compound **12** was synthesised as previously reported,¹ using a procedure from Lee and Yuk.⁵

Diazo compound **8p** was synthesised as previously reported,¹ using a procedure adapted from Wang and co-workers.⁶

Ethyl 2-diazo-2-(3,4-dimethylphenyl)acetate (**8n**)



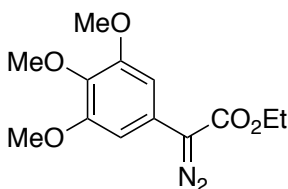
Adapted from a procedure by Wang.⁶

Ethyl 2-diazo-3-oxobutanoate **12** (0.33 mL, 2.4 mmol) was added to a solution of 4-iodo-1,2-dimethylbenzene (464 mg, 2.0 mmol), Pd(PPh₃)₄ (116 mg, 0.1 mmol) and dry NaOH* (240 mg, 6.0 mmol) in degassed EtOH (8.0 mL) and stirred at 25 °C for 18 h. The reaction mixture was filtered through silica, washing with EtOAc (50 mL) and concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification by flash chromatography (2% Et₂O/pentane) afforded ethyl 2-diazo-2-(3,4-dimethylphenyl)acetate **8n** (300 mg, 69%) as an orange solid. *R*_f 0.21 (2% Et₂O/pentane); *v*_{max} (film)/cm⁻¹ 2972, 2920, 2079 (C=N=N out-of-phase), 1695 (C=O), 1505, 1372 (C=N=N in-phase), 1345, 1245, 1172, 1111, 892, 805, 706; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.27–7.24 (m, 1 H, HC_{Ar}), 7.22 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.9 Hz, 1 H, HC_{Ar}), 7.16 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H, HC_{Ar}), 4.33 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2 H, OCH₂CH₃), 2.28 and 2.26 (2 × s, 6 H, 2 × ArCH₃), 1.35 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3 H, OCH₂CH₃); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.6 (C=O), 137.3 (C_{Ar} quat), 134.4 (C_{Ar} quat), 130.2 (C_{Ar}), 125.3 (C_{Ar}), 122.5 (C_{Ar} quat), 121.7 (C_{Ar}), 60.9 (OCH₂CH₃), 19.9 (ArCH₃), 19.3 (ArCH₃), 14.5 (OCH₂CH₃). The observed characterization data (¹H and ¹³C NMR) was consistent with that previously reported in the literature.⁶

SMILES: CC1=CC(C(C(OCC)=O)=[N+]=[N-])=CC=C1C

InChI = 1S/C12H14N2O2/c1-4-16-12(15)11(14-13)10-6-5-8(2)9(3)7-10/h5-7H,4H2,1-3H3

Ethyl 2-diazo-2-(3,4,5-trimethoxyphenyl)acetate (**8o**)



Adapted from a procedure by Wang.⁶

Ethyl 2-diazo-3-oxobutanoate **12** (0.33 mL, 2.4 mmol) was added to a solution of 5-iodo-1,2,3-trimethoxybenzene (588 mg, 2.0 mmol), Pd(PPh₃)₄ (116 mg, 0.1 mmol) and dry NaOH* (240 mg, 6.0 mmol) in degassed EtOH (8.0 mL) and stirred at 25 °C for 18 h. The reaction mixture was filtered through silica, washing with EtOAc (50 mL) and concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification by flash chromatography (25% Et₂O/pentane) afforded ethyl 2-diazo-2-(3,4,5-trimethoxyphenyl)acetate **8o** (340 mg, 59%) as an orange solid. *R*_f 0.24 (20% Et₂O/pentane); *v*_{max} (film)/cm⁻¹ 2976, 2943, 2078 (C=N=N out-of-phase), 1694 (C=O),

* NaOH was weighed and then dried over a flame in the reaction vial.

1578, 1509, 1446, 1393, 1378 (C=N=N in-phase), 1280, 1263, 1253, 1176, 1150, 1119, 1081, 1032, 897, 811, 731; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 6.74 (s, 2 H, $2 \times \text{HC}_{\text{Ar}}$), 4.33 (q, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2 H, OCH_2CH_3), 3.87 (s, 6 H, $2 \times \text{OCH}_3$), 3.84 (s, 3 H, OCH_3), 1.35 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 3 H, OCH_2CH_3); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 165.3 (C=O), 153.6 ($2 \times \text{OC}_{\text{Ar}}$ quat), 136.1 (OC_{Ar} quat), 120.8 (C_{Ar} quat), 101.5 ($2 \times \text{C}_{\text{Ar}}$), 63.3 (C=N₂ quat), 61.0 (OCH_2CH_3), 60.9 (OCH_3), 56.1 ($2 \times \text{OCH}_3$), 14.5 (OCH_2CH_3); HRMS (ESI⁺) m/z Calculated for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{17}\text{N}_2\text{O}_5$ [M+H] 281.1137; Found 281.1141. Note: Diazo **8o** was observed to decompose at room temperature.

SMILES: COC1=CC(C(C(OCC)=O)=[N+]=[N-])=CC(OC)=C1OC

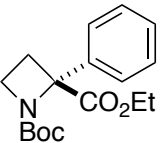
InChI = 1S/C13H16N2O5/c1-5-20-13(16)11(15-14)8-6-9(17-2)12(19-4)10(7-8)18-3/h6-7H,5H2,1-4H3

Synthesis of Azetidine Carbamates **3a–k** and **9a,j,l,m**

Azetidines **3b–k** and **9a** were synthesised as previously described by our group,¹ in one-pot using a Rh-catalyzed NH insertion and cyclization. Azetidine **1** was synthesised as previously described,¹ from azetidine **3f** by ester hydrolysis and amide coupling.

All *tert*-butoxycarbonyl (Boc) or carboxybenzyl (Cbz) containing compounds appeared as a mixture of rotamers in the NMR spectra at rt. An asterisk * is used to indicate the peaks which are assigned to chemical environments which exist as distinct rotamers at room temperature,

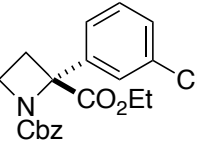
Large scale synthesis of (±)-1-(*tert*-butyl) 2-ethyl 2-phenylazetidine-1,2-dicarboxylate (**3a**)

 Rh₂(esp)₂ (56.9 mg, 75 μmol) was added to a solution of *tert*-butyl (2-chloroethyl)carbamate **5** (2.69 g, 15.0 mmol) and ethyl 2-diazo-2-phenylacetate **8a** (4.28 g, 22.5 mmol) in toluene (50.0 mL). The reaction vessel was sealed, purged with Ar and heated at 60 °C for 2.5 h, then allowed to cool to rt. Tetrabutylammonium bromide (483 mg, 1.5 mmol) was added, followed by CsOH·H₂O (5.04 g, 30.0 mmol), and the reaction was stirred at 25 °C for 18 h. The crude reaction mixture was then filtered through Celite, washing with EtOAc (200 mL), and concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification by flash chromatography (15 to 20% EtOAc/hexane) afforded 1-(*tert*-butyl) 2-ethyl 2-phenylazetidine-1,2-dicarboxylate **3a** (1.97 g, 43%) as a pale yellow oil. *R*_f 0.18 (10% EtOAc/pentane); *v*_{max} (film)/cm⁻¹ 2977, 1736 (C=O ester), 1701 (C=O carbamate), 1362, 1230, 1151, 1087, 1022, 766, 696; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) 7.50–7.27 (m, 5 H, 5 × HC_{Ph}), 4.34–4.12 (m, 3 H, OCH₂CH₃ and NCHH), 3.94–3.84 (m, 1 H, NCHH), 2.81–2.66 (m, 1 H, NCH₂CHH), 2.60–2.45 (m, 1 H, NCH₂CHH), 1.55–1.21 (m, 12 H, C(CH₃)₃ and OCH₂CH₃); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.5 (C=O ester), 155.9 (C=O carbamate), 140.4 (C_{Ph} quat), 127.7 (2 × C_{Ph}), 127.3 (2 × C_{Ph}), 126.4 (C_{Ph}), 80.3* and 80.0* (C(CH₃)₃ rotamers), 73.4* and 73.2* (NC quat rotamers), 61.7 (OCH₂CH₃), 46.9* and 45.3* (NCH₂ rotamers), 30.5* and 29.6* (NCH₂CH₂ rotamers), 28.3 (C(CH₃)₃), 14.1 (OCH₂CH₃). The observed characterization data was consistent with that previously reported.¹

SMILES: CC(OC(N1CC[C@]1(C2=CC=CC=C2)C(OCC)=O)=O)(C)C

InChI = 1S/C17H23NO4/c1-5-21-14(19)17(13-9-7-6-8-10-13)11-12-18(17)15(20)22-16(2,3)4/h6-10H,5,11-12H2,1-4H3

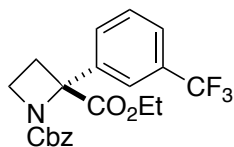
(±)-1-Benzyl 2-ethyl 2-(3-chlorophenyl)azetidine-1,2-dicarboxylate (**9j**)

 Rh₂(esp)₂ (3.8 mg, 5.0 μmol) was added to a solution of benzyl (2-chloroethyl)carbamate **6** (214 mg, 1.0 mmol) and ethyl 2-diazo-2-(3-chlorophenyl)acetate **8j** (337 mg, 1.5 mmol) in benzene (3.33 mL). The reaction vessel was sealed, purged with Ar and heated at 60 °C for 2.5 h, then allowed to cool to rt. Tetrabutylammonium bromide (32 mg, 0.1 mmol) was added, followed by CsOH·H₂O (336 mg, 2.00 mmol), and the reaction was stirred at 25 °C for 18 h. The crude reaction mixture was then filtered through Celite, washing with EtOAc (50 mL), and concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification by flash chromatography (20% EtOAc/hexane) afforded 1-benzyl 2-ethyl 2-(3-chlorophenyl)azetidine-1,2-dicarboxylate **9j** (212 mg, 57%) as a pale yellow oil. *R*_f 0.25 (20% EtOAc/hexane); *v*_{max} (film)/cm⁻¹ 2972, 1706 (br s, C=O ester and carbamate), 1446, 1478, 1395, 1339, 1230, 1154, 1124, 777, 764, 739, 696, 689; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.51–7.22 (m, 9 H, 5 × HC_{Ph} and 4 × HC_{Ar}), 5.30–5.07 (m, 2 H, OCH₂Ph), 4.32–3.90 (m, 4 H, OCH₂CH₃ and NCH₂), 2.76 (br s, 1 H, NCH₂CHH), 2.63–2.46 (m, 1 H, NCH₂CHH), 1.26–1.09 (m, 3 H, OCH₂CH₃); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.6 (C=O ester), 156.7* and 156.5* (C=O carbamate rotamers), 142.3* and 141.8* (C_{Ar} quat rotamers), 136.5* and 135.9* (C_{Ph} quat rotamers), 133.9 (ClC_{Ar} quat), 129.2 (C_{Ar}), 128.4 (2 × C_{Ph}), 128.1 (2 × C_{Ph} and 1 × C_{Ar}), 127.7 (C_{Ar}), 126.8 (C_{Ph}), 124.8 (br s, C_{Ar}), 73.1 (NC quat), 67.0 (OCH₂Ph), 62.0 (OCH₂CH₃), 46.8* and 45.7* (NCH₂ rotamers), 30.9* and 30.0* (NCH₂CH₂ rotamers), 13.9 (OCH₂CH₃); HRMS (ESI⁺) *m/z* Calculated for C₂₀H₂₁NO₄³⁵Cl [M+H]⁺ 374.1159; Found 374.1164.

SMILES: ClC1=CC=CC([C@](CC2)(C(OCC)=O)N2C(OCC3=CC=CC=C3)=O)=C1

InChI = 1S/C20H20ClNO4/c1-2-25-18(23)20(16-9-6-10-17(21)13-16)11-12-22(20)19(24)26-14-15-7-4-3-5-8-15/h3-10,13H,2,11-12,14H2,1H3

(±)-1-Benzyl 2-ethyl 2-(3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)azetidine-1,2-dicarboxylate (9l)

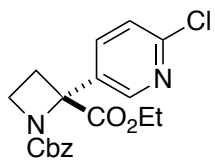


Ethyl 2-diazo-2-(3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)acetate **8l** (484 mg, 1.88 mmol) in benzene (1.5 mL) was added slowly *via* syringe pump over 1 h to a solution of benzyl (2-chloroethyl)carbamate **6** (160 mg, 0.75 mmol) and $\text{Rh}_2(\text{esp})_2$ (2.8 mg, 3.75 μmol) in benzene (1.0 mL) at 60 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at 60 °C for a further 2.5 h, then allowed to cool to rt. Tetrabutylammonium bromide (24 mg, 75.0 μmol) was added, followed by $\text{CsOH}\cdot\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (252 mg, 1.50 mmol), and the reaction was stirred at 25 °C for 18 h. The crude reaction mixture was then filtered through Celite, washing with EtOAc (50 mL), and concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification by flash chromatography (20% EtOAc/pentane) afforded 1-benzyl 2-ethyl 2-(3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)azetidine-1,2-dicarboxylate **9l** (227 mg, 74%) as a pale yellow oil. R_f 0.11 (15% EtOAc/pentane); ν_{max} (film)/ cm^{-1} 2978, 1707 (s br, $2 \times \text{C=O}$), 1394, 1331, 1226, 1156, 1118, 697; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.76–7.19 (m, 9 H, $5 \times \text{HC}_{\text{Ph}}$ and $4 \times \text{HC}_{\text{Ar}}$), 5.29–5.06 (m, 2 H, OCH_2Ph), 4.33–3.91 (m, 4 H, OCH_2CH_3 and NCH_2), 2.86–2.75 (m, 1 H, NCH_2CHH), 2.65–2.47 (m, 1 H, NCH_2CHH), 1.23–1.09 (m, 3 H, OCH_2CH_3); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 170.6 (C=O ester), 156.7 (br s, C=O carbamate), 141.3* and 141.0* (C_{Ar} quat rotamers), 136.3* and 135.8* (C_{Ph} quat rotamers), 130.4* and 130.0* ($2 \times \text{C}_{\text{Ar}}$ rotamers), 128.41*, 128.35*, 128.1* ($3 \times$ br s, $5 \times \text{C}_{\text{Ph}}$ and C_{Ar} rotamers), 124.39* and 124.36* (m, C_{Ar} rotamers), 124.1 (q, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 271.7$ Hz, CF_3), 123.4 (C_{Ar}), 73.2 (NC quat), 67.1 (OCH_2Ph), 62.1 (OCH_2CH_3), 46.8* and 45.8* (NCH_2 rotamers), 30.9* and 30.0* (NCH_2CH_2 rotamers), 13.9 (OCH_2CH_3); $^{19}\text{F}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (377 MHz, CDCl_3) δ –62.46 and –62.50; HRMS (FTMS + pNSI) m/z Calculated for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{21}\text{NO}_4\text{F}_3$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 408.1417; Found 408.1413.

SMILES: O=C(N1CC[C@@]1(C2=CC(C(F)(F)F)=CC=C2)C(OCC)=O)OCC3=CC=CC=C3

InChI = 1S/C21H20F3NO4/c1-2-28-18(26)20(16-9-6-10-17(13-16)21(22,23)24)11-12-25(20)19(27)29-14-15-7-4-3-5-8-15/h3-10,13H,2,11-12,14H2,1H3

(±)-1-Benzyl 2-ethyl 2-(6-chloropyridin-3-yl)azetidine-1,2-dicarboxylate (9m)



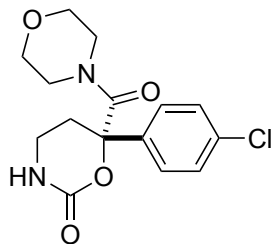
Ethyl 2-(6-chloropyridin-3-yl)-2-diazoacetate **8m** (1.13 g, 5.0 mmol) in benzene (2.17 mL) was added slowly *via* syringe pump over 1 h to a solution of benzyl (2-chloroethyl)carbamate **6** (427 mg, 2.0 mmol) and $\text{Rh}_2(\text{esp})_2$ (7.6 mg, 10 μmol) in benzene (4.5 mL) at 60 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at 60 °C for a further 2.5 h, then allowed to cool to rt. Tetrabutylammonium bromide (65 mg, 0.2 mmol) was added, followed by $\text{CsOH}\cdot\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (672 mg, 4.0 mmol), and the reaction was stirred at 25 °C for 18 h. The crude reaction mixture was then filtered through Celite, washing with EtOAc (100 mL), and concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification by flash chromatography (30% to 40% EtOAc/pentane) afforded 1-benzyl 2-ethyl 2-(6-chloropyridin-3-yl)azetidine-1,2-dicarboxylate **9m** (133 mg, 18%) as a brown oil. R_f 0.13 (30% EtOAc/pentane); ν_{max} (film)/ cm^{-1} 2978, 2900, 1707 (br s, $2 \times \text{C=O}$), 1588, 1457, 1394, 1338, 1238, 1156, 1103, 1014, 738, 697; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.43 (br s, 1 H, HC_{Ar}), 7.84 and 7.67 ($2 \times$ d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1 H, HC_{Ar}), 7.49–7.12 (m, 6 H, HC_{Ar} and $5 \times \text{HC}_{\text{Ph}}$), 5.25–5.06 (m, 2 H, OCH_2Ph), 4.32–3.85 (m, 4 H, OCH_2CH_3 and NCH_2), 2.80–2.68 (m, 1 H, NCH_2CHH), 2.62–2.43 (m, 1 H, NCH_2CHH), 1.20–1.06 (m, 3 H, OCH_2CH_3); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 170.1 (C=O ester), 156.8* and 156.3* (C=O carbamate rotamers), 150.4 (ClC_{Ar} quat), 148.0 (C_{Ar}), 137.5* and 137.1* (C_{Ph} quat rotamers), 136.1* and 135.5* (C_{Ar} quat rotamers), 135.0* and 134.5* (C_{Ar} rotamers), 128.4 ($2 \times \text{C}_{\text{Ph}}$), 128.1 ($2 \times \text{C}_{\text{Ph}}$), 127.8 (C_{Ph}), 123.3 (C_{Ar}), 71.3* and 71.2* (NC quat rotamers), 67.2* and 67.1* (OCH_2Ph rotamers), 62.3 (OCH_2CH_3), 47.0* and 46.0* (NCH_2 rotamers), 30.5* and 29.5* (NCH_2CH_2 rotamers), 13.8 (OCH_2CH_3); HRMS (ESI $^+$) m/z Calculated for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4^{35}\text{Cl}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]$ 375.1112; Found 375.1096.

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Synthesis of Oxazinanones 2, 4a–l,n–p by 4 to 6 Ring Expansion

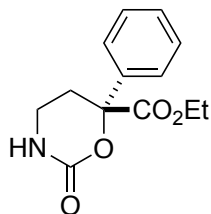
(±)-6-(4-Chlorophenyl)-6-(morpholine-4-carbonyl)-1,3-oxazinan-2-one (2)



Trifluoroacetic acid (0.10 mL) was added to a stirred solution of of *tert*-butyl 2-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-(morpholine-4-carbonyl)azetidine-1-carboxylate **1** (28 mg, 0.075 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (0.40 mL) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was then stirred at 25 °C for 15 h. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure, saturated aq. NaHCO₃ (10 mL) and saturated brine (25 mL) was added and the aqueous mixture was extracted with CHCl₃:2-propanol (3:1, 6 × 10 mL). The solvent was removed under reduced pressure. Purification by flash chromatography NH₃/MeOH/CH₂Cl₂ (0.05:4.95:95%) afforded 6-(4-chlorophenyl)-6-(morpholine-4-carbonyl)-1,3-oxazinan-2-one **2** (10 mg, 43%) as a yellow solid. *R*_f 0.18 (0.05:4.95:95 NH₃:MeOH:CH₂Cl₂); mp = 188–190 °C; *v*_{max} (film)/cm⁻¹ 3283 (br s, NH), 2924, 2858, 1721 (C=O carbamate), 1642 (C=O amide), 1490, 1436, 1319, 1115, 1085, 1006, 730; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.43–7.34 (m, 4 H, 2 × HC_{Ar}), 5.77 (br s, 1 H, NH), 3.74–3.56 (m, 6 H, 2 × OCHH, HNCHHCH₂, NCHHCH₂O and NCH₂CH₂O), 3.54–3.46 (m, 1 H, OCHH), 3.33–3.25 (m, 1 H, NCHHCH₂O), 3.24–3.17 (m, 1 H, HNCHHCH₂), 3.16–3.09 (m, 1 H, OCHH), 2.77 (dt, 1 H, *J* = 14.0, 4.5 Hz, HNCH₂CHH), 2.02–1.92 (m, 1 H, HNCH₂CHH); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.9 (C=O amide), 152.4 (C=O carbamate), 137.7 (C_{Ar} quat), 134.6 (C_{Ar} quat), 129.3 (2 × C_{Ar}), 125.3 (2 × C_{Ar}), 84.9 (OC quat), 66.7 (OCH₂), 66.4 (OCH₂), 47.1 (NCH₂CH₂O), 43.8 (NCH₂CH₂O), 37.7 (HNCH₂), 32.7 (HNCH₂CH₂); HRMS (ESI⁺) *m/z* Calculated for C₁₅H₁₈N₂O₄³⁵Cl [M+H] 325.0955; Found 325.0958.

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(±)-Ethyl 2-oxo-6-phenyl-1,3-oxazinane-6-carboxylate (4a)



Trifluoroacetic acid (0.19 mL, 2.5 mmol) was added to a stirred solution of 1-(*tert*-butyl) 2-ethyl 2-phenylazetidine-1,2-dicarboxylate **3a** (153 mg, 0.5 mmol) in toluene (0.5 mL) at 25 °C and stirred for 30 min. The reaction mixture was concentrated and purified by flash chromatography (2% to 3% MeOH/CH₂Cl₂) to afford ethyl 2-oxo-6-phenyl-1,3-oxazinane-6-carboxylate **4a** (93 mg, 75%) as an off-white solid. *R*_f 0.25 (EtOAc); mp = 141–145 °C; *v*_{max} (film)/cm⁻¹ 3266 (br, NH), 2983, 1710 (s br, 2 × C=O), 1489, 1449, 1408, 1312, 1271, 1203, 1139, 1096, 1074, 1015, 760, 734, 698; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.61–7.56 (m, 2 H, 2 × HC_{Ph}), 7.43–7.33 (m, 3 H, 3 × HC_{Ph}), 6.59 (br s, 1 H, NH), 4.27–4.18 (m, 2 H, OCH₂CH₃), 3.41–3.26 (m, 2 H, NCH₂), 2.75 (dt, *J* = 13.8, 4.9 Hz, 1 H, NCH₂CHH), 2.33 (ddd, *J* = 13.8, 9.2, 5.9 Hz, 1 H, NCH₂CHH), 1.23 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3 H, OCH₂CH₃); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 169.9 (C=O ester), 153.1 (C=O carbamate), 137.4 (C_{Ph} quat), 128.72 (C_{Ph}), 128.66 (2 × C_{Ph}), 124.9 (2 × C_{Ph}), 83.2 (OC quat), 62.4 (OCH₂CH₃), 37.1 (NCH₂), 29.2 (NCH₂CH₂), 13.9 (OCH₂CH₃); HRMS (ESI⁺) *m/z* Calculated for C₁₃H₁₆NO₄ [M+H] 250.1079; Found 250.1079.

Gram Scale Synthesis of **4a**
Trifluoroacetic acid (2.87 mL, 37.5 mmol) was added to a stirred solution of 1-(*tert*-butyl) 2-ethyl 2-phenylazetidine-1,2-dicarboxylate **3a** (2.29 g, 7.5 mmol) in toluene (7.5 mL) at 25 °C and stirred for 30 min. The reaction mixture was concentrated and purified by flash chromatography (EtOAc) to afford ethyl 2-oxo-6-phenyl-1,3-oxazinane-6-carboxylate **4a** (1.23 g, 66%) as an off-white solid. The observed characterization data was identical to that reported previously for **4a** above.

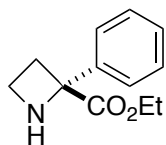
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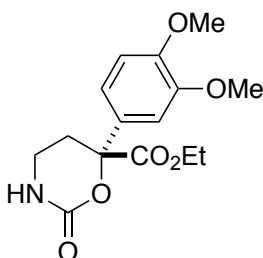


(±)-Ethyl 2-phenylazetidine-2-carboxylate (5a)

4 N HCl in 1,4-dioxane (3.8 mL) was added dropwise to a stirred solution of 1-(*tert*-butyl) 2-ethyl 2-phenylazetidine-1,2-dicarboxylate **3a** (458 mg, 1.5 mmol) in 1,4-dioxane (6.0 mL) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at 25 °C for 24 h then diluted with 1 M HCl (40 mL). The aqueous reaction mixture was extracted with EtOAc (2 × 40 mL). The aqueous layer was basified with sat. aq. NaHCO₃ (50 mL) and extracted with EtOAc (5 × 25 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over Na₂SO₄ and filtered. Concentration under reduced pressure afforded ethyl 2-phenylazetidine-2-carboxylate **5a** (220 mg, 71%) as a yellow oil. *R*_f 0.36 (EtOAc); ν_{max} (film)/cm⁻¹ 3325 (NH), 2974, 2874, 1722 (C=O), 1241, 1103, 1014, 775, 731, 697; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.42–7.38 (m, 2 H, 2 × HC_{Ph}), 7.37–7.32 (m, 2 H, 2 × HC_{Ph}), 7.29–7.23 (m, 1 H, HC_{Ph}), 4.28–4.11 (m, 2 H, OCH₂CH₃), 3.69 (td, *J* = 8.5, 7.4 Hz, 1 H, NCHH), 3.34 (ddd, *J* = 8.5, 7.3, 3.9 Hz, 1 H, NCHH), 2.94–2.77 (m, 2 H, NCH₂CH₂), 1.23 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3 H, OCH₂CH₃); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 175.7 (C=O), 143.1 (C_{Ph} quat), 128.1 (2 × C_{Ph}), 127.1 (C_{Ph}), 125.1 (2 × C_{Ph}), 69.4 (NC quat), 61.6 (OCH₂CH₃), 41.8 (NCH₂), 32.4 (NCH₂CH₂), 14.0 (OCH₂CH₃); HRMS (FTMS + pNSI) *m/z* Calculated for C₁₂H₁₆NO₂⁺ [M+H]⁺ 206.1176; Found 206.1176.

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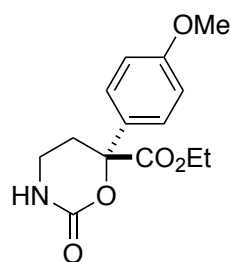
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(±)-Ethyl 6-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-2-oxo-1,3-oxazinane-6-carboxylate (4b)

Trifluoroacetic acid (38 μ L, 0.50 mmol) was added to a stirred solution of 1-(*tert*-butyl) 2-ethyl 2-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)azetidine-1,2-dicarboxylate **3b** (36.5 mg, 0.10 mmol) in toluene (0.10 mL) at 25 °C and stirred for 30 min. The reaction mixture was concentrated and purified by flash chromatography (3% MeOH/CH₂Cl₂) to afford ethyl 6-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-oxo-1,3-oxazinane-6-carboxylate **4b** (27 mg, 88%) as a colorless solid. *R*_f 0.05 (2% MeOH/CH₂Cl₂); mp = 108–111 °C; ν_{max} (film)/cm⁻¹ 3282 (br s, NH), 2939, 1710 (br s, C=O ester/carbamate), 1516, 1460, 1413, 1262, 1202, 1166, 1144, 1090, 1020, 808, 760, 692; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.13–7.06 (m, 2 H, 2 × HC_{Ar}), 6.87 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1 H, HC_{Ar}), 6.33 (s, 1 H, NH), 4.23 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2 H, OCH₂CH₃), 3.90 and 3.89 (2 × s, 6 H, 2 × OCH₃), 3.38–3.32 (m, 2 H, NCH₂), 2.75 (dt, *J* = 13.8, 4.3 Hz, 1 H, NCH₂CHH), 2.37–2.26 (m, 1 H, NCH₂CHH), 1.24 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3 H, OCH₂CH₃); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.0 (C=O ester), 153.3 (C=O carbamate), 149.3 (OC_{Ar} quat), 149.0 (OC_{Ar} quat), 129.8 (C_{Ar} quat), 117.4 (C_{Ar}), 110.9 (C_{Ar}), 108.2 (C_{Ar}), 83.1 (OC quat), 62.5 (OCH₂CH₃), 56.0 (OCH₃), 55.9 (OCH₃), 37.2 (NCH₂), 29.0 (NCH₂CH₂), 14.0 (OCH₂CH₃); HRMS (ESI⁺) *m/z* Calculated for C₁₅H₂₀NO₆ [M+H]⁺ 310.1291; Found 310.1295.

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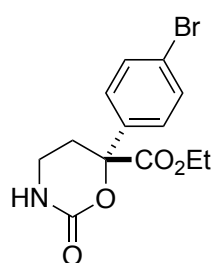
(±)-Ethyl 6-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-oxo-1,3-oxazinane-6-carboxylate (4c)

Trifluoroacetic acid (38 μ L, 0.50 mmol) was added to a stirred solution of 1-(*tert*-butyl) 2-ethyl 2-(4-methoxyphenyl)azetidine-1,2-dicarboxylate **3c** (34 mg, 0.10 mmol) in toluene (0.10 mL) at 25 °C and stirred for 30 min. The reaction mixture was concentrated and purified by flash chromatography (3% MeOH/CH₂Cl₂) to afford ethyl 6-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-oxo-1,3-oxazinane-6-carboxylate **4c** (25 mg, 89%) as a colorless solid. *R*_f 0.21 (3% MeOH/CH₂Cl₂); mp = 175–176 °C; ν_{max} (film)/cm⁻¹ 3241 (br s, NH), 3138, 2942, 1741 (C=O ester), 1702 (C=O carbamate), 1511, 1492, 1462, 1445, 1411, 1326, 1308, 1302, 1254, 1199, 1182, 1145, 1122, 1090, 1031, 1005, 822, 799, 763, 695; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃)

δ 7.50 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2 H, 2 $\times$ HC_{Ar}), 6.91 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2 H, 2 $\times$ HC_{Ar}), 6.36 (br s, 1 H, NH), 4.22 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2 H, OCH₂CH₃), 3.81 (s, 3 H, OCH₃), 3.39–3.26 (m, 2 H, NCH₂), 2.72 (dt, *J* = 13.8, 4.8 Hz, 1 H, NCH₂CHH), 2.32 (ddd, *J* = 13.8, 8.3, 2.6 Hz, 1 H, NCH₂CHH), 1.23 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3 H, OCH₂CH₃); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.1 (C=O ester), 159.8 (OC_{Ar} quat), 153.1 (C=O carbamate), 129.5 (C_{Ar} quat), 126.4 (2 $\times$ C_{Ar}), 114.0 (2 $\times$ C_{Ar}), 83.0 (OC quat), 62.4 (OCH₂CH₃), 55.3 (OCH₃), 37.1 (NCH₂), 29.0 (NCH₂CH₂), 14.0 (OCH₂CH₃); HRMS (ESI⁺) *m/z* Calculated for C₁₄H₁₈NO₅ [M+H] 280.1185; Found 280.1187.

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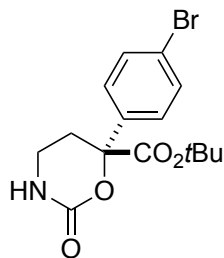
(±)-Ethyl 6-(4-bromophenyl)-2-oxo-1,3-oxazinane-6-carboxylate (4d)

Trifluoroacetic acid (38 μ L, 0.50 mmol) was added to a stirred solution of 1-(*tert*-butyl) 2-ethyl 2-(4-bromophenyl)azetidine-1,2-dicarboxylate **3d** (38 mg, 0.10 mmol) in toluene (0.10 mL) at 25 °C and stirred for 30 min. After 30 min further trifluoroacetic acid (38 μ L, 0.50 mmol) was added and the mixture was stirred for a further 30 min. The reaction mixture was concentrated and purified by flash chromatography (80% EtOAc/pentane to EtOAc) to afford ethyl 6-(4-bromophenyl)-2-oxo-1,3-oxazinane-6-carboxylate **4d** (21 mg, 63%) as a colorless solid. *R*_f 0.23 (3% MeOH/CH₂Cl₂); mp = 122–125 °C; ν_{max} (film)/cm⁻¹ 3241 (br s, NH), 3138, 2980, 2941, 1741 (C=O ester), 1705 (C=O carbamate), 1485, 1462, 1410, 1338,

1324, 1277, 1255, 1199, 1185, 1145, 1122, 1090, 1024, 1007, 967, 820, 779, 723, 700, 685; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.55 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2 H, 2 $\times$ HC_{Ar}), 7.48 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2 H, 2 $\times$ HC_{Ar}), 5.53 (br s, 1 H, NH), 4.28–4.20 (m, 2 H, OCH₂CH₃), 3.43–3.28 (m, 2 H, NCH₂), 2.75 (dt, *J* = 13.9, 4.8 Hz, 1 H, NCH₂CHH), 2.33–2.22 (ddd, *J* = 14.0, 9.4, 6.4 Hz, 1 H, NCH₂CHH), 1.25 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3 H, OCH₂CH₃); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 169.5 (C=O ester), 152.7 (C=O carbamate), 136.5 (C_{Ar} quat), 131.9 (2 $\times$ C_{Ar}), 126.8 (2 $\times$ C_{Ar}), 123.1 (BrC_{Ar} quat), 82.9 (OC quat), 62.7 (OCH₂CH₃), 37.1 (NCH₂), 29.2 (NCH₂CH₂), 13.9 (OCH₂CH₃); HRMS (ESI⁺) *m/z* Calculated for C₁₃H₁₅NO₄⁷⁹Br [M+H] 328.0184; Found 328.0184.

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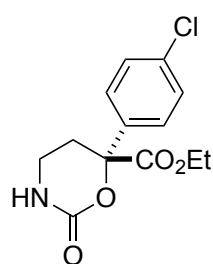
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(±)-*tert*-Butyl 6-(4-bromophenyl)-2-oxo-1,3-oxazinane-6-carboxylate (4e)

Trifluoroacetic acid (38 μ L, 0.5 mmol) was added to a stirred solution of di-*tert*-butyl 2-(4-bromophenyl)azetidine-1,2-dicarboxylate **3e** (41 mg, 0.10 mmol) in toluene (0.10 mL) at 25 °C and stirred for 30 min. The reaction mixture was concentrated and purified by flash chromatography (2% MeOH/CH₂Cl₂) to afford *tert*-butyl 6-(4-bromophenyl)-2-oxo-1,3-oxazinane-6-carboxylate **4e** (20 mg, 56%) as a colorless solid. *R*_f 0.20 (3% MeOH/CH₂Cl₂); mp = 185–188 °C; ν_{max} (film)/cm⁻¹ 3263 (br s, NH), 2979, 1724 (br s, C=O ester/carbamate), 1489, 1397, 1370, 1321, 1160, 1096, 840; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.53 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2 H, 2 $\times$ HC_{Ar}), 7.47 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2 H, 2 $\times$ HC_{Ar}), 5.94 (br s, 1 H, NH), 3.43–3.30 (m, 2 H, NCH₂), 2.71 (dt, *J* = 13.8, 4.6 Hz, 1 H, NCH₂CHH), 2.22 (ddd, *J* = 13.8, 9.7, 6.3 Hz, 1 H, NCH₂CHH), 1.43 (s, 9 H, C(CH₃)₃); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 168.4 (C=O ester), 152.7 (C=O carbamate), 136.9 (C_{Ar} quat), 131.7 (2 $\times$ C_{Ar}), 126.8 (2 $\times$ C_{Ar}), 122.9 (BrC_{Ar} quat), 83.8 (C(CH₃)₃), 83.0 (OC quat), 37.3 (NCH₂), 29.2 (NCH₂CH₂), 27.7 (C(CH₃)₃); HRMS (ESI⁺) *m/z* Calculated for C₁₅H₁₉NO₄⁷⁹Br [M+H] 356.0497; Found 356.0503.

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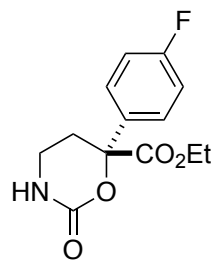
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(±)-Ethyl 6-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-oxo-1,3-oxazinane-6-carboxylate (4f)

Trifluoroacetic acid (77 μ L, 1.0 mmol) was added to a stirred solution of 1-(*tert*-butyl) 2-ethyl 2-(4-chlorophenyl)azetidine-1,2-dicarboxylate **3f** (68 mg, 0.20 mmol) in toluene (0.20 mL) at 25 °C and stirred for 30 min. The reaction mixture was concentrated and purified by flash chromatography (2% MeOH/CH₂Cl₂) to afford ethyl 6-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-oxo-1,3-oxazinane-6-carboxylate **4f** (40 mg, 71%) as a colorless solid. *R*_f 0.23 (3% MeOH/CH₂Cl₂); mp = 116–118 °C; ν_{max} (film)/cm⁻¹ 3242 (br s, NH), 3137, 2981, 2941, 1485, 1462, 1411, 1338, 1324, 1301, 1277, 1255, 1199, 1185, 1145, 1122, 1089, 1024, 1007, 861, 779, 763, 723, 685, 701; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.54 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2 H, 2 $\times$ HC_{Ar}), 7.38 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2 H, 2 $\times$ HC_{Ar}), 6.55 (br s, 1 H, NH), 4.23 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2 H, OCH₂CH₃), 3.40–3.28 (m, 2 H, NCH₂), 2.74 (dt, *J* = 13.8, 4.7 Hz, 1 H, NCH₂CHH), 2.27 (ddd, *J* = 14.0, 9.3, 5.9 Hz, 1 H, NCH₂CHH), 1.23 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3 H, OCH₂CH₃); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 169.6 (C=O ester), 152.8 (C=O carbamate), 136.0 (C_{Ar} quat), 134.9 (ClC_{Ar} quat), 128.9 (2 $\times$ C_{Ar}), 126.5 (2 $\times$ C_{Ar}), 82.8 (OC quat), 62.7 (OCH₂CH₃), 37.1 (NCH₂), 29.2 (NCH₂CH₂), 13.9 (OCH₂CH₃); HRMS (ESI⁺) *m/z* Calculated for C₁₃H₁₅NO₄³⁵Cl [M+H] 284.0690; Found 284.0689.

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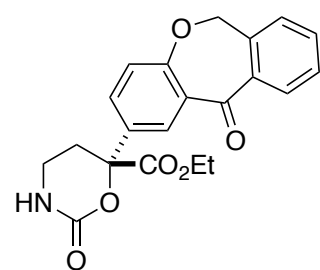
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(±)-Ethyl 6-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-oxo-1,3-oxazinane-6-carboxylate (4g)

Trifluoroacetic acid (77 μ L, 1.0 mmol) was added to a stirred solution of 1-(*tert*-butyl) 2-ethyl 2-(4-fluorophenyl)azetidine-1,2-dicarboxylate **3g** (65 mg, 0.20 mmol) in toluene (0.20 mL) at 25 °C and stirred for 30 min. The reaction mixture was concentrated and purified by flash chromatography (3% MeOH/ CH_2Cl_2) to afford ethyl 6-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-oxo-1,3-oxazinane-6-carboxylate **4g** (37 mg, 95%) as a colorless solid. R_f 0.28 (3% MeOH/ CH_2Cl_2); mp = 115–118 °C; ν_{max} (film)/ cm^{-1} 3236 (br s, NH), 3136, 1732 (C=O ester), 1705 (C=O carbamate), 1511, 1493, 1415, 1332, 1222, 1207, 1142, 1121, 1012, 813, 744, 709; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.61–7.55 (m, 2 H, $2 \times \text{HC}_{\text{Ar}}$), 7.12–7.05 (m, 2 H, $2 \times \text{HC}_{\text{Ar}}$), 6.46 (br s, 1 H, NH), 4.23 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2 H, OCH_2CH_3), 3.41–3.28 (m, 2 H, NCH_2), 2.75 (dt, J = 13.8, 4.6 Hz, 1 H, NCH_2CHH), 2.29 (ddd, J = 13.8, 9.2, 6.2 Hz, 1 H, NCH_2CHH), 1.23 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3 H, OCH_2CH_3); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 169.7 (C=O ester), 162.8 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 247.8 Hz, FC_{Ar} quat), 153.0 (C=O carbamate), 133.3 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 2.9 Hz, C_{Ar} quat), 127.0 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 8.3 Hz, $2 \times \text{C}_{\text{Ar}}$), 115.7 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 21.9 Hz, $2 \times \text{C}_{\text{Ar}}$), 82.9 (OC quat), 62.6 (OCH_2CH_3), 37.1 (NCH_2), 29.2 (NCH_2CH_2), 13.9 (OCH_2CH_3); $^{19}\text{F}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (377 MHz, CDCl_3) δ –113.0; HRMS (ESI⁺) m/z Calculated for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{15}\text{NO}_4\text{F}$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}$] 268.0985; Found 268.0993.

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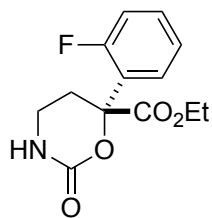
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(±)-Ethyl 2-oxo-6-(11-oxo-6,11-dihydrodibenzo[*b,e*]oxepin-2-yl)-1,3-oxazinane-6-carboxylate (4h)

Trifluoroacetic acid (38 μ L, 0.50 mmol) was added to a stirred solution of 1-(*tert*-butyl) 2-ethyl 2-(11-oxo-6,11-dihydrodibenzo[*b,e*]oxepin-2-yl)azetidine-1,2-dicarboxylate **3h** (44 mg, 0.10 mmol) in toluene (0.10 mL) at 25 °C and stirred for 30 min. The reaction mixture was concentrated and purified by flash chromatography (70% EtOAc/pentane) to afford ethyl 2-oxo-6-(11-oxo-6,11-dihydrodibenzo[*b,e*]oxepin-2-yl)-1,3-oxazinane-6-carboxylate **4h** (37 mg, 96%) as a colorless solid. R_f 0.20 (70% EtOAc/pentane); mp = 78–80 °C; ν_{max} (film)/ cm^{-1} 3280 (br s, NH), 2982, 1715 (br s, C=O ester and carbamate), 1648 (C=O ketone), 1484, 1297, 1271, 1200, 1092, 1010, 760, 727; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.38 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1 H, HC_{Ar}), 7.88 (dd, J = 7.7, 1.2 Hz, 1 H, HC_{Ar}), 7.78 (dd, J = 8.7, 2.6 Hz, 1 H, HC_{Ar}), 7.58 (td, J = 7.5, 1.4 Hz, 1 H, HC_{Ar}), 7.49 (td, J = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1 H, HC_{Ar}), 7.38 (dd, J = 7.6, 0.9 Hz, 1 H, HC_{Ar}), 7.10 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1 H, HC_{Ar}), 6.30 (br s, 1 H, NH), 5.21 (s, 2 H, OCH_2Ar), 4.25 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2 H, OCH_2CH_3), 3.42–3.36 (m, 2 H, NCH_2), 2.84 (dt, J = 13.8, 4.6 Hz, 1 H, NCH_2CHH), 2.39 (dt, J = 13.8, 7.9 Hz, 1 H, NCH_2CHH), 1.26 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3 H, OCH_2CH_3); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 190.5 (C=O ketone), 170.0 (C=O ester), 161.4 (OC_{Ar} quat), 152.8 (C=O carbamate), 140.3 (C_{Ar} quat), 135.2 (C_{Ar} quat), 132.9 (C_{Ar}), 132.4 (C_{Ar}), 131.3 (C_{Ar} quat), 129.44 (C_{Ar}), 129.37 (C_{Ar}), 128.7 (C_{Ar}), 127.9 (C_{Ar}), 125.0 (C_{Ar} quat), 121.5 (C_{Ar}), 82.8 (OC quat), 73.5 (OCH_2Ar), 62.6 (OCH_2CH_3), 37.2 (NCH_2), 28.7 (NCH_2CH_2), 14.0 (OCH_2CH_3); HRMS (FTMS + pNSI) m/z Calculated for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{20}\text{NO}_6$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}$]⁺ 382.1285; Found 382.1288.

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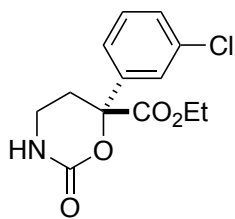
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(±)-Ethyl 6-(2-fluorophenyl)-2-oxo-1,3-oxazinane-6-carboxylate (4i)

Trifluoroacetic acid (77 μL , 1.0 mmol) was added to a stirred solution of 1-(*tert*-butyl) 2-ethyl 2-(4-fluorophenyl)azetidine-1,2-dicarboxylate **3i** (65 mg, 0.20 mmol) in toluene (0.20 mL) at 25 °C and stirred for 30 min. The reaction mixture was concentrated and purified by flash chromatography (2% MeOH/ CH_2Cl_2) to afford ethyl 6-(2-fluorophenyl)-2-oxo-1,3-oxazinane-6-carboxylate **4i** (4 mg, 15%) as a colorless solid. R_f 0.22 (70% EtOAc/pentane); mp = 170–172 °C; ν_{max} (film)/ cm^{-1} 3242 (br s, NH), 3125, 2948, 1748 (C=O ester), 1699 (C=O carbamate), 1491, 1408, 1320, 1276, 1249, 1202, 1147, 1120, 1102, 1079, 1017, 758, 689; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.61–7.55 (m, 1 H, HC_{Ar}), 7.41–7.33 (m, 1 H, HC_{Ar}), 7.21 (td, J = 7.6, 0.8 Hz, 1 H, HC_{Ar}), 7.08 (m, 1 H, HC_{Ar}), 6.43 (br s, 1 H, NH), 4.31–4.18 (m, 2 H, OCH_2CH_3), 3.46–3.37 (m, 1 H, NCHH), 3.24–3.14 (m, 1 H, NCHH), 2.82–2.72 (dt, J = 13.9, 5.8 Hz, 1 H, NCH_2CHH), 2.50 (ddd, J = 13.6, 7.7, 5.2 Hz, 1 H, NCH_2CHH), 1.23 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3 H, OCH_2CH_3); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 168.5 (C=O ester), 159.3 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 248.6 Hz, FC_{Ar} quat), 152.6 (C=O carbamate), 130.7 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 8.6 Hz, C_{Ar}), 127.6 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 2.8 Hz, C_{Ar}), 125.4 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 11.9 Hz, C_{Ar} quat), 124.4 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 3.0 Hz, C_{Ar}), 116.3 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 22.5, C_{Ar}), 81.9 (OC quat), 62.5 (OCH_2CH_3), 36.9 (NCH_2), 27.4 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 4.7 Hz, NCH_2CH_2), 13.8 (OCH_2CH_3); ^{19}F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -112.9 (m); HRMS (ESI $^+$) m/z Calculated for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{15}\text{NO}_4\text{F}$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}$] 268.0985; Found 268.0983.

SMILES: O=C1NCC[C@](C2=CC=CC=C2F)(C(OCC)=O)O1

InChI = 1S/C13H14FNO4/c1-2-18-11(16)13(7-8-15-12(17)19-13)9-5-3-4-6-10(9)14/h3-6H,2,7-8H2,1H3,(H,15,17)

(±)-Ethyl 6-(3-chlorophenyl)-2-oxo-1,3-oxazinane-6-carboxylate (4j)

From 1-(*tert*-butyl) 2-ethyl 2-(3-chlorophenyl)azetidine-1,2-dicarboxylate **3j**

Trifluoroacetic acid (38 μL , 0.50 mmol) was added to a stirred solution of 1-(*tert*-butyl) 2-ethyl 2-(3-chlorophenyl)azetidine-1,2-dicarboxylate **3j** (34 mg, 0.10 mmol) in toluene (0.10 mL) at 25 °C and stirred for 2 h. 1 M aq. HCl (20 mL) was added and the aqueous reaction mixture was extracted with EtOAc (3 $\times$ 20 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification by flash chromatography (2% MeOH/ CH_2Cl_2) afforded ethyl 6-(3-chlorophenyl)-2-oxo-1,3-oxazinane-6-carboxylate **4j** (2 mg, 6%).

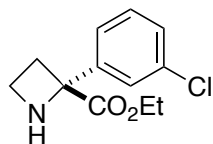
From 1-benzyl 2-ethyl 2-(3-chlorophenyl)azetidine-1,2-dicarboxylate **9j**:

TfOH (88 μL , 1.0 mmol) was added to a stirred solution of 1-benzyl 2-ethyl 2-(3-chlorophenyl)azetidine-1,2-dicarboxylate **9j** (37 mg, 0.10 mmol) in toluene (0.50 mL) at 25 °C and stirred for 1 h. Sat. aq. NaHCO_3 (20 mL) was slowly added and the aqueous reaction mixture was extracted with EtOAc (5 $\times$ 20 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification by flash chromatography (80% EtOAc/pentane) afforded ethyl 6-(3-chlorophenyl)-2-oxo-1,3-oxazinane-6-carboxylate **4j** (17 mg, 61%) as a colorless solid. R_f 0.33 (80% EtOAc/pentane); mp = 151–155 °C; ν_{max} (film)/ cm^{-1} 3248 (NH), 3139, 2919, 1728 (C=O ester), 1711 (C=O carbamate), 1492, 1477, 1404, 1327, 1274, 1250, 1226, 1120, 1106, 1078, 1027, 1013, 774, 714; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.64–7.61 (m, 1 H, HC_{Ar}), 7.52–7.47 (m, 1 H, HC_{Ar}), 7.37–7.34 (m, 2 H, 2 $\times$ HC_{Ar}), 5.75 (br s, 1 H, NH), 4.30–4.21 (m, 2 H, OCH_2CH_3), 3.43–3.29 (m, 2 H, NCH_2), 2.76 (dt, J = 13.9, 4.7 Hz, 1 H, NCH_2CHH), 2.29 (ddd, J = 13.9, 9.6, 6.0 Hz, 1 H, NCH_2CHH), 1.26 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3 H, OCH_2CH_3); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 169.4 (C=O ester), 152.6 (C=O carbamate), 139.4 (C_{Ar} quat), 134.8 (ClC_{Ar} quat), 130.0 (C_{Ar}), 129.0 (C_{Ar}), 125.4 (C_{Ar}), 123.2 (C_{Ar}), 82.7 (OC quat), 62.8 (OCH_2CH_3), 37.1 (NCH_2), 29.3 (NCH_2CH_2), 13.9 (OCH_2CH_3); HRMS (ESI $^+$) m/z Calculated for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{15}\text{NO}_4^{35}\text{Cl}$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}$] 284.0690; Found 284.0703.

SMILES: O=C1NCC[C@](C2=CC(Cl)=CC=C2)(C(OCC)=O)O1

InChI = 1S/C13H14ClNO4/c1-2-18-11(16)13(6-7-15-12(17)19-13)9-4-3-5-10(14)8-9/h3-5,8H,2,6-7H2,1H3,(H,15,17)

(±)-Ethyl 2-(3-chlorophenyl)azetidine-2-carboxylate (5j)



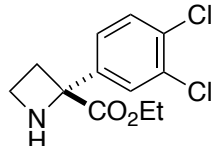
Trifluoroacetic acid (38 μ L, 0.50 mmol) was added to a stirred solution of 1-(*tert*-butyl) 2-ethyl 2-(3-chlorophenyl)azetidine-1,2-dicarboxylate **3j** (34 mg, 0.10 mmol) in toluene (0.10 mL) at 25 °C and stirred for 2 h. 1 M aq. HCl (20 mL) was added and the aqueous reaction mixture was extracted with EtOAc (3 $\times$ 20 mL). The aqueous layer was basified with 1 M NaOH (50 mL) and extracted with EtOAc (6 $\times$ 20 mL). The combined organic

layers from the second extraction were concentrated to afford ethyl 2-(3-chlorophenyl)azetidine-2-carboxylate **5j** (11 mg, 46%) as a yellow oil. R_f 0.40 (0.05:4.95:95 NH_3 :MeOH:CH₂Cl₂); ν_{max} (film)/cm⁻¹ 3337 (w, NH), 2979, 1727 (C=O ester), 1596, 1573, 1475, 1247, 1108, 787, 710; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.44–7.41 (m, 1 H, HC_{Ar}), 7.30–7.21 (m, 3 H, 3 $\times$ HC_{Ar}), 4.28–4.14 (m, 2 H, OCH₂CH₃), 3.74–3.65 (m, 1 H, NCHH), 3.33 (ddd, J = 12.1, 8.5, 3.7 Hz, 1 H, NCHH), 2.89 (ddd, J = 11.2, 8.5, 3.7 Hz, 1 H, NCH₂CHH), 2.77 (dt, J = 11.2, 8.6 Hz, 1 H, NCH₂CHH), 1.25 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3 H, OCH₂CH₃); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 175.2 (C=O), 145.2 (C_{Ar} quat), 134.2 (ClC_{Ar} quat), 129.4 (C_{Ar}), 127.3 (C_{Ar}), 125.7 (C_{Ar}), 123.4 (C_{Ar}), 69.0 (NC quat), 61.9 (OCH₂CH₃), 41.9 (NCH₂), 32.6 (NCH₂CH₂), 14.0 (OCH₂CH₃); HRMS (ESI⁺) m/z Calculated for C₁₂H₁₅NO₂³⁵Cl [M+H]⁺ 240.0791; Found 240.0794.

SMILES: ClC1=CC=CC([C@]2(C(OCC)=O)NCC2)=C1

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(±)-Ethyl 2-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)azetidine-2-carboxylate (5k)



Trifluoroacetic acid (38 μ L, 0.50 mmol) was added to a stirred solution of 1-(*tert*-butyl) 2-ethyl 2-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)azetidine-1,2-dicarboxylate **3k** (37 mg, 0.10 mmol) in toluene (0.10 mL) at 25 °C and stirred for 30 min. The reaction mixture was concentrated and purified by SCX column[†] to afford ethyl 2-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)azetidine-2-carboxylate **5k** (12 mg, 44%) as a yellow oil. R_f 0.50 (0.05:4.95:95% NH_3 :MeOH:CH₂Cl₂); ν_{max} (film)/cm⁻¹

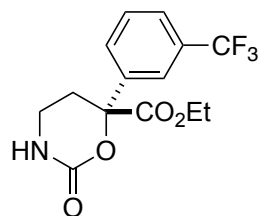
3324 (w, NH), 2979, 2875, 1727 (C=O ester), 1465, 1247, 1221, 1106, 1030; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.54 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1 H, HC_{Ar}), 7.40 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1 H, HC_{Ar}), 7.25 (dd, J = 8.4, 2.1 Hz, 1 H, HC_{Ar}), 4.29–4.15 (m, 2 H, OCH₂CH₃), 3.74–3.66 (m, 1 H, NCHH), 3.32 (ddd, J = 8.6, 7.4, 3.7 Hz, 1 H, NCHH), 2.88 (ddd, J = 11.2, 8.6, 3.7 Hz, 1 H, NCH₂CHH), 2.73 (dt, J = 11.2, 8.6 Hz, 1 H, NCH₂CHH), 1.25 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3 H, OCH₂CH₃); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 174.9 (C=O ester), 143.5 (C_{Ar} quat), 132.3 (ClC_{Ar} quat), 131.3 (ClC_{Ar} quat), 130.1 (C_{Ar}), 127.6 (C_{Ar}), 124.8 (C_{Ar}), 68.6 (NC quat), 62.1 (OCH₂CH₃), 41.8 (NCH₂), 32.8 (NCH₂CH₂), 14.1 (OCH₂CH₃); HRMS (ESI⁺) m/z Calculated for C₁₂H₁₄NO₂³⁵Cl₂ [M+H]⁺ 274.0402; Found 274.0400.

SMILES: ClC(C=C1)=C(Cl)C=C1[C@]2(C(OCC)=O)NCC2

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[†] Strong Cation Exchange (SCX) Column Procedure

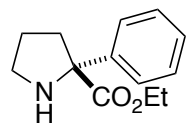
SCX cartridges (purchased from ThermoScientific) were selected with an appropriate capacity of stationary phase (5% w/v of crude product). The column was washed with three column volumes of methanol. The sample was then loaded onto the column in a minimum amount of solvent (1:1 MeOH/CH₂Cl₂). The column was washed through with three column volumes of MeOH and then with three column volumes of 5% NH₃ (28% aqueous solution)/MeOH to yield the free amine which was concentrated under reduced pressure.

(±)-Ethyl 2-oxo-6-(3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-1,3-oxazinane-6-carboxylate (4I)

TfOH (0.18 mL, 2.0 mmol) was added to a stirred solution of 1-benzyl 2-ethyl 2-(3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)azetidine-1,2-dicarboxylate **3I** (82 mg, 0.20 mmol) in toluene (1.0 mL) at 25 °C and stirred for 1 h. Sat. aq. NaHCO₃ (20 mL) was slowly added and the aqueous reaction mixture was extracted with EtOAc (5 × 20 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification by flash chromatography (EtOAc) afforded ethyl 2-oxo-6-(3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-1,3-oxazinane-6-carboxylate **4I** (17 mg, 27%) as a colorless solid. *R*_f 0.30 (EtOAc); mp = 115–117 °C; ν_{max} (film)/cm⁻¹ 3250 (NH), 3138, 1744 (C=O ester), 1715 (C=O carbamate), 1327, 1267, 1238, 1167, 1115, 1070; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 7.96–7.90 (m, 2 H, 2 × HC_{Ar}), 7.77–7.73 (m, 1 H, HC_{Ar}), 7.71–7.61 (m, 1 H, HC_{Ar}), 4.33–4.21 (m, 2 H, OCH₂CH₃), 3.40–3.29 (m, 2 H, NCH₂ obscured by residual CH₃OH), 2.95–2.88 (m, 1 H, NCH₂CHH), 2.37 (ddd, *J* = 14.0, 9.6, 6.7 Hz, 1 H, NCH₂CHH), 1.25 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3 H, OCH₂CH₃); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.90–7.88 (m, 1 H, HC_{Ar}), 7.85–7.82 (m, 1 H, HC_{Ar}), 7.67–7.64 (m, 1 H, HC_{Ar}), 7.58–7.53 (m, 1 H, HC_{Ar}), 5.23 (br s, 1 H, NH), 4.32–4.20 (m, 2 H, OCH₂CH₃), 3.47–3.34 (m, 2 H, NCH₂), 2.87–2.80 (m, 1 H, NCH₂CHH), 2.31 (ddd, *J* = 13.9, 10.0, 6.1 Hz, 1 H, NCH₂CHH), 1.26 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3 H, OCH₂CH₃); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 170.7 (C=O ester), 154.9 (C=O carbamate), 140.6 (C_{Ar} quat), 132.1 (q, *J*_{C-F} = 32.8 Hz, C_{Ar}), 130.8 (C_{Ar}), 130.2 (C_{Ar}), 126.7 (q, *J* = 4.0 Hz, C_{Ar}), 125.4 (q, *J*_{C-F} = 271.6 Hz, CF₃), 123.1 (q, *J*_{C-F} = 4.0 Hz, C_{Ar}), 84.3 (OC quat), 63.9 (OCH₂CH₃), 37.8 (NCH₂), 29.9 (NCH₂CH₂), 14.2 (OCH₂CH₃); ¹⁹F{¹H} NMR (377 MHz, CD₃OD) δ -64.2; HRMS (FTMS + pNSI) *m/z* Calculated for C₁₄H₁₅NO₄F₃⁺ [M+H]⁺ 318.0948; Found 318.0950.

SMILES: O=C1NCC[C@](C2=CC(C(F)(F)F)=CC=C2)(C(OCC)=O)O1

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(±)-Ethyl 2-phenylpyrrolidine-2-carboxylate (11)

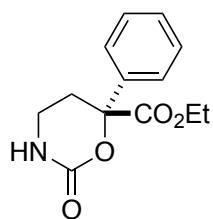
TfOH (44 μ L, 0.5 mmol) was added to a stirred solution of 1-benzyl 2-ethyl 2-phenylazetidine-1,2-dicarboxylate **10I** (18 mg, 0.05 mmol) in toluene (0.25 mL) at 25 °C and stirred for 1 h. Sat. aq. NaHCO₃ (20 mL) was slowly added and the aqueous reaction mixture was extracted with EtOAc (5 × 20 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification by flash chromatography (30% EtOAc/pentane) afforded ethyl 2-phenylpyrrolidine-2-carboxylate **11** (8 mg, 62%) as a colourless oil. *R*_f 0.27 (40% EtOAc/pentane); ν_{max} (film)/cm⁻¹ 3349 (NH), 2980, 2873, 1721 (C=O), 1447, 1242, 1180, 1096, 1025, 729, 698; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.56–7.51 (m, 2 H, 2 × HC_{Ph}), 7.35–7.29 (m, 2 H, 2 × HC_{Ph}), 7.28–7.23 (m, 1 H, HC_{Ph}), 4.20–4.09 (m, 2 H, OCH₂CH₃), 3.14–3.05 (m, 2 H, NCH₂), 2.76 (ddd, *J* = 12.7, 8.1, 4.8 Hz, 1 H, N(CH₂)₂CHH), 2.07 (dt, *J* = 12.6, 8.5 Hz, 1 H, N(CH₂)₂CHH), 1.94–1.75 (m, 2 H, NCH₂CH₂), 1.21 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3 H, OCH₂CH₃); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 175.6 (C=O), 142.9 (C_{Ph} quat), 128.1 (2 × C_{Ph}), 127.1 (C_{Ph}), 126.1 (2 × C_{Ph}), 72.3 (NC quat), 61.5 (OCH₂CH₃), 45.7 (NCH₂), 36.7 (N(CH₂)₂CH₂), 24.6 (NCH₂CH₂), 14.1 (OCH₂CH₃); HRMS (ESI⁺) *m/z* Calculated for C₁₃H₁₈NO₂ [M+H]⁺ 220.1338; Found 220.1347.

SMILES: O=C([C@](C2=CC=CC=C2)NCCC1)OCC

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Synthesis of Oxazinanones **4a,g,i,k,n–p** by NICE Reaction

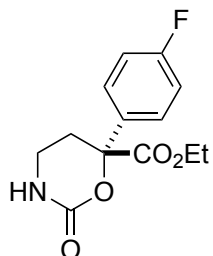
(±)-Ethyl 2-oxo-6-phenyl-1,3-oxazinanone-6-carboxylate (**4a**)



$\text{Rh}_2(\text{esp})_2$ (1.9 mg, 2.5 μmol) was added to a solution of *tert*-butyl (2-chloroethyl)carbamate **5** (90 mg, 0.50 mmol) and ethyl 2-diazo-2-phenylacetate **8a** (143 mg, 0.75 mmol) in benzene (1.67 mL). The reaction vessel was sealed, purged with Ar and heated at 60 °C for 2.5 h, then allowed to cool to rt. Tetrabutylammonium bromide (16 mg, 50 μmol) was added, followed by $\text{CsOH}\cdot\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (168 mg, 1.00 mmol), and the reaction was stirred at 25 °C for 18 h. TFA (0.38 mL, 5.0 mmol) was added and the reaction mixture was stirred for 1 h.

Sat. aq. NaHCO_3 (40 mL) was slowly added, then the aqueous reaction mixture was extracted with EtOAc (5×40 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification by flash chromatography (2% MeOH/ CH_2Cl_2) afforded ethyl 2-oxo-6-phenyl-1,3-oxazinanone-6-carboxylate **4a** (48 mg, 38%) as a colorless solid. The observed characterization data was identical to that reported previously for **4a** above (pg S9).

(±)-Ethyl 6-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-oxo-1,3-oxazinanone-6-carboxylate (**4g**)



One-pot procedure

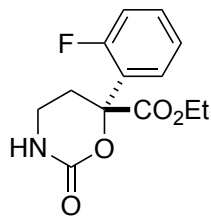
$\text{Rh}_2(\text{esp})_2$ (1.9 mg, 2.5 μmol) was added to a solution of *tert*-butyl (2-chloroethyl)carbamate **5** (90 mg, 0.50 mmol) and ethyl 2-diazo-2-(4-fluorophenyl)acetate **8g** (156 mg, 0.75 mmol) in benzene (1.67 mL). The reaction vessel was sealed, purged with Ar and heated at 60 °C for 2.5 h, then allowed to cool to rt. Tetrabutylammonium bromide (16 mg, 50 μmol) was added, followed by $\text{CsOH}\cdot\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (168 mg, 1.00 mmol), and the reaction was stirred at 25 °C for 18 h. TFA (0.38 mL, 5.0 mmol) was added and the reaction mixture was stirred for 1 h.

Sat. aq. NaHCO_3 (40 mL) was slowly added, then the aqueous reaction mixture was extracted with EtOAc (5×40 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification by flash chromatography (2% MeOH/ CH_2Cl_2) afforded ethyl 6-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-oxo-1,3-oxazinanone-6-carboxylate **4g** (60 mg, 45%) as a colorless solid. The observed characterization data was identical to that reported previously for **4g** above (pg S12).

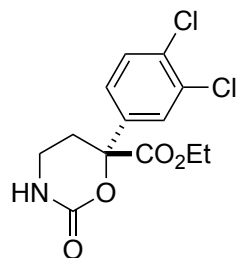
Telescoped procedure

$\text{Rh}_2(\text{esp})_2$ (1.9 mg, 2.5 μmol) was added to a solution of *tert*-butyl (2-chloroethyl)carbamate **5** (90 mg, 0.50 mmol) and ethyl 2-diazo-2-(4-fluorophenyl)acetate **8g** (156 mg, 0.75 mmol) in benzene (1.67 mL). The reaction vessel was sealed, purged with Ar and heated at 60 °C for 2.5 h, then allowed to cool to rt. Tetrabutylammonium bromide (16 mg, 50 μmol) was added, followed by $\text{CsOH}\cdot\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (168 mg, 1.00 mmol), and the reaction was stirred at 25 °C for 18 h. The crude reaction mixture was then filtered through silica, eluting with CH_2Cl_2 (10 mL), and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude reaction mixture was transferred to a dry reaction flask and concentrated under reduced pressure. TFA (0.19 mL, 2.5 mmol) was added to the crude reaction mixture in toluene (0.50 mL) and stirred at 25 °C for 0.5 h. The crude reaction mixture was concentrated. Purification by flash chromatography (2% MeOH/ CH_2Cl_2) afforded ethyl 6-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-oxo-1,3-oxazinanone-6-carboxylate **4g** (57 mg, 43%) as a colorless solid. The observed characterization data was identical to that reported previously for **4g** above (pg S12).

Telescoped procedure on 3.0 mmol scale afforded ethyl 6-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-oxo-1,3-oxazinanone-6-carboxylate **4g** (289 mg, 36%).

(±)-Ethyl 6-(2-fluorophenyl)-2-oxo-1,3-oxazinane-6-carboxylate (4i)

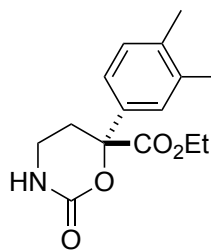
$\text{Rh}_2(\text{esp})_2$ (1.9 mg, 2.5 μmol) was added to a solution of benzyl (2-chloroethyl)carbamate **6** (90 mg, 0.50 mmol) and ethyl 2-diazo-2-(2-fluorophenyl)acetate **8i** (156 mg, 0.75 mmol) in benzene (1.67 mL). The reaction vessel was sealed, purged with Ar and heated at 60 °C for 2.5 h, then allowed to cool to rt. Tetrabutylammonium bromide (16 mg, 50 μmol) was added, followed by $\text{CsOH}\cdot\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (168 mg, 1.00 mmol), and the reaction was stirred at 25 °C for 18 h. TfOH (0.44 mL, 5.0 mmol) was added and the reaction mixture was stirred for a further 1.5 h. Sat. aq. NaHCO_3 (40 mL) was slowly added and the aqueous reaction mixture was extracted with EtOAc (5×40 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification by flash chromatography (70% EtOAc/pentane) afforded ethyl 6-(2-fluorophenyl)-2-oxo-1,3-oxazinane-6-carboxylate **4i** (26 mg, 19%) as a colorless solid. The observed characterization data was identical to that reported previously for **4i** above (pg S13).

(±)-Ethyl 6-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-2-oxo-1,3-oxazinane-6-carboxylate (4k)

Ethyl 2-diazo-2-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)acetate **8k** (324 mg, 1.25 mmol) in benzene (1.0 mL) was added slowly *via* syringe pump over 1 h to a solution of benzyl (2-chloroethyl)carbamate **6** (107 mg, 0.50 mmol) and $\text{Rh}_2(\text{esp})_2$ (1.9 mg, 2.5 μmol) in benzene (0.67 mL) at 60 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at 60 °C for a further 2.5 h, then allowed to cool to rt. Tetrabutylammonium bromide (16 mg, 50 μmol) was added, followed by $\text{CsOH}\cdot\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (168 mg, 1.50 mmol), and the reaction was stirred at 25 °C for 18 h. TfOH (0.45 mL, 5.0 mmol) was added dropwise and the reaction mixture was stirred for 30 min. Sat. aq. NaHCO_3 (40 mL) was slowly added and the aqueous reaction mixture was extracted with EtOAc (5×40 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification by flash chromatography (EtOAc) afforded ethyl 6-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-2-oxo-1,3-oxazinane-6-carboxylate **4k** (78 mg, 45%) as a pale yellow solid. R_f 0.19 (EtOAc); mp = 86–90 °C; ν_{max} (film)/ cm^{-1} 3343 (NH), 2985, 1707 (br s, $2 \times \text{C}=\text{O}$), 1256, 1170, 1010, 1033; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$) δ 7.75–7.71 (m, 2 H, $2 \times \text{HC}_{\text{Ar}}$), 7.58 (br s, 1 H, NH), 7.51 (dd, J = 8.6, 2.3 Hz, 1 H, HC_{Ar}), 4.22–4.12 (m, 2 H, OCH_2CH_3), 3.18–3.05 (m, 2 H, NCH_2), 2.68 (dt, J = 13.8, 4.7 Hz, 1 H, NCH_2CHH), 2.32 (ddd, J = 14.0, 9.2, 6.2 Hz, 1 H, NCH_2CHH), 1.14 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3 H, OCH_2CH_3); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$) δ 169.1 (C=O ester), 150.7 (C=O carbamate), 138.9 (C_{Ar} quat), 131.6 (ClC_{Ar} quat), 131.5 (ClC_{Ar} quat), 131.0 (C_{Ar}), 127.3 (C_{Ar}), 125.7 (C_{Ar}), 81.7 (OC quat), 62.3 (OCH_2CH_3), 36.1 (NCH_2), 28.0 (NCH_2CH_2), 13.8 (OCH_2CH_3); HRMS (FTMS + pNSI) m/z Calculated for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{14}\text{NO}_4^{35}\text{Cl}_2^+$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 318.0294; Found 318.0299.

SMILES: O=C1NCC[C@@](C2=CC(Cl)=C(Cl)C=C2)(C(OCC)=O)O1

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(±)-Ethyl 6-(3,4-dimethylphenyl)-2-oxo-1,3-oxazinane-6-carboxylate (4n)

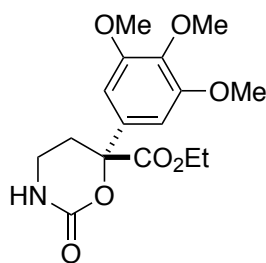
$\text{Rh}_2(\text{esp})_2$ (1.9 mg, 2.5 μmol) was added to a solution of *tert*-butyl (2-chloroethyl)carbamate **5** (90 mg, 0.50 mmol) and ethyl 2-diazo-2-(3,4-dimethylphenyl)acetate **8n** (164 mg, 0.75 mmol) in benzene (1.67 mL). The reaction vessel was sealed, purged with Ar and heated at 60 °C for 2.5 h, then allowed to cool to rt. Tetrabutylammonium bromide (16 mg, 50 μmol) was added, followed by $\text{CsOH}\cdot\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (168 mg, 1.00 mmol), and the reaction was stirred at 25 °C for 18 h. The crude reaction mixture was then filtered through silica, eluting with CH_2Cl_2 (10 mL), and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude reaction mixture was transferred to a dry reaction flask and concentrated. TFA (0.19 mL, 2.5 mmol) was added to the crude reaction mixture in toluene (0.50 mL) and stirred at 25 °C for 0.5 h. The crude reaction mixture was concentrated. Purification by flash chromatography (80% EtOAc/hexane) afforded ethyl 6-(3,4-

dimethylphenyl)-2-oxo-1,3-oxazinane-6-carboxylate **4n** (83 mg, 60%) as a colorless solid. R_f 0.31 (EtOAc); mp = 167–169 °C; $\nu_{\max}$ (film)/cm⁻¹ 3236 (NH), 3140, 2916, 1745 (C=O ester), 1713 (C=O carbamate), 1489, 1411, 1327, 1256, 1193, 1121, 1095, 1015, 777; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.36 (d, J = 1.5 Hz, 1 H, HC_{Ar}), 7.30–7.26 (m, 1 H, HC_{Ar}), 7.15 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1 H, HC_{Ar}), 6.25 (br s, 1 H, NH), 4.28–4.16 (m, 2 H, OCH₂CH₃), 3.40–3.26 (m, 2 H, NCH₂), 2.72 (dt, J = 13.8, 5.0 Hz, 1 H, NCH₂CHH), 2.37–2.23 (m, 7 H, NCH₂CHH and 2 × ArCH₃), 1.24 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3 H, OCH₂CH₃); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.1 (C=O ester), 153.1 (C=O carbamate), 137.3 (CH₃C_{Ar} quat), 137.1 (CH₃C_{Ar} quat), 134.8 (C_{Ar} quat), 129.9 (C_{Ar}), 126.0 (C_{Ar}), 122.3 (C_{Ar}), 83.2 (OC quat), 62.4 (OCH₂CH₃), 37.2 (NCH₂), 29.1 (NCH₂CH₂), 19.9 (ArCH₃), 19.4 (ArCH₃), 14.0 (OCH₂CH₃); HRMS (ESI⁺) m/z Calculated for C₁₅H₂₀NO₄ [M+H] 278.1392; Found 278.1404.

SMILES: O=C1NCC[C@@](C2=CC(C)=C(C)C=C2)(C(OCC)=O)O1

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(±)-Ethyl 2-oxo-6-(3,4,5-trimethoxyphenyl)-1,3-oxazinane-6-carboxylate (4o)



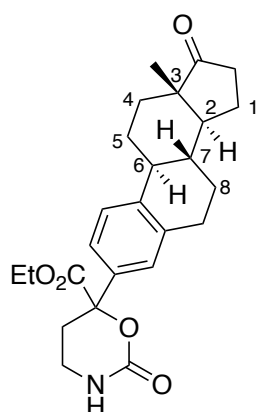
Rh₂(esp)₂ (1.9 mg, 2.5 μ mol) was added to a solution of *tert*-butyl (2-chloroethyl)carbamate **5** (90 mg, 0.50 mmol) and ethyl 2-diazo-2-(3,4,5-trimethoxyphenyl)acetate **8o** (215 mg, 0.75 mmol) in benzene (1.67 mL). The reaction vessel was sealed, purged with Ar and heated at 60 °C for 2.5 h, then allowed to cool to rt. Tetrabutylammonium bromide (16 mg, 50 μ mol) was added, followed by CsOH·H₂O (168 mg, 1.00 mmol), and the reaction was stirred at 25 °C for 18 h. The crude reaction mixture was then filtered through silica, eluting with EtOAc (10 mL), and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude reaction mixture was transferred to a

dry reaction flask and concentrated. TFA (0.19 mL, 2.5 mmol) was added to the crude reaction mixture in toluene (0.50 mL) and stirred at 25 °C for 0.5 h. The crude reaction mixture was concentrated. Purification by flash chromatography (EtOAc) afforded ethyl 2-oxo-6-(3,4,5-trimethoxyphenyl)-1,3-oxazinane-6-carboxylate **4o** (98 mg, 58%) as a pale yellow solid. R_f 0.23 (EtOAc); mp = 159–163 °C; $\nu_{\max}$ (film)/cm⁻¹ 3275 (br s, NH), 2940, 1718 (br s, C=O ester/ carbamate), 1591, 1491, 1456, 1416, 1329, 1246, 1125, 1097, 1007; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.79 (s, 2 H, 2 × HC_{Ar}), 6.23 (br s, 1 H, NH), 4.31–4.18 (m, 2 H, OCH₂CH₃), 3.87 (s, 6 H, 2 × OCH₃), 3.85 (s, 3 H, OCH₃), 3.41–3.29 (m, 2 H, NCH₂), 2.74 (dt, J = 13.9, 4.8 Hz, 1 H, NCH₂CHH), 2.29 (ddd, J = 13.9, 9.0, 6.5 Hz, 1 H, NCH₂CHH), 1.26 (t, 3 H, OCH₂CH₃); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 169.8 (C=O ester), 153.3 (2 × OC_{Ar} quat), 152.9 (C=O carbamate), 138.3 (OC_{Ar} quat), 132.9 (C_{Ar} quat), 102.2 (2 × C_{Ar}), 83.1 (OC quat), 62.6 (OCH₂CH₃), 60.8 (OCH₃), 56.3 (2 × OCH₃), 37.2 (NCH₂), 29.5 (NCH₂CH₂), 14.0 (OCH₂CH₃); HRMS (ESI⁺) m/z Calculated for C₁₆H₂₂NO₇ [M+H] 340.1396; Found 340.1388.

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Ethyl 6-((8*R*,9*S*,13*S*,14*S*)-13-methyl-17-oxo-7,8,9,11,12,13,14,15,16,17-decahydro-6*H*-cyclopenta[*a*]phenanthren-3-yl)-2-oxo-1,3-oxazinane-6-carboxylate (4p) (mixture of diastereomers)



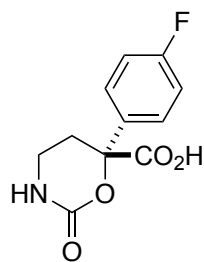
$\text{Rh}_2(\text{esp})_2$ (0.8 mg, 1.0 μmol) was added to a solution of *tert*-butyl (2-chloroethyl)carbamate **5** (36 mg, 0.20 mmol) and diazo **8p**^{1,6} (110 mg, 0.30 mmol) in benzene (0.67 mL). The reaction vessel was sealed, purged with Ar and heated at 60 °C for 2.5 h, then allowed to cool to rt. Tetrabutylammonium bromide (6.4 mg, 20 μmol) was added, followed by CsOH·H₂O (67 mg, 0.40 mmol), and the reaction was stirred at 25 °C for 18 h. The crude reaction mixture was then filtered through silica, eluting with EtOAc (10 mL), and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude reaction mixture was transferred to a dry reaction flask and concentrated. TFA (0.08 mL, 1.0 mmol) was added to the crude reaction mixture in toluene (0.20 mL) and stirred at 25 °C for 0.5 h. The crude reaction mixture was concentrated. Purification by flash chromatography (80% EtOAc/hexane) afforded ethyl 6-((8*R*,9*S*,13*S*,14*S*)-13-methyl-17-oxo-7,8,9,11,12,13,14,15,16,17-decahydro-6*H*-cyclopenta[*a*]phenanthren-3-yl)-2-oxo-1,3-oxazinane-6-carboxylate **4p** (11 mg, 13%) as a colorless solid (the product is assumed

to be a 1:1 mixture of diastereomers). R_f 0.13 (70% EtOAc/hexane); mp = 95–97 °C; ν_{max} (film)/cm⁻¹ 3268 (w br, NH), 2929, 1733 (2 × C=O), 1491, 1454, 1407, 1319, 1203, 1096, 730; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.37–7.29 (m, 3 H, 3 × HC_{Ar}), 5.96 (s, 1 H, NH), 4.29–4.16 (m, 2 H, OCH₂CH₃), 3.41–3.27 (m, 2 H, NCH₂), 2.97–2.90 (m, 2 H, ArCH₂), 2.78–2.69 (m, 1 H, NCH₂CHH), 2.52 (dd, J = 19.1, 9.0 Hz, 1 H, ArCH), 2.47–2.37 (m, 1 H, CHHCO), 2.36–2.26 (m, 1 H, CHHCO), 2.22–1.93 (m, 5 H, 4 × CHH and NCH₂CHH), 1.72–1.40 (m, 6 H, 4 × CHH and 2 × CH), 1.26 (td, J = 7.1, 1.6 Hz, 3 H, OCH₂CH₃), 0.91 (s, 3 H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 220.7 (C=O ketone), 170.0 (C=O ester), 152.9 (C=O carbamate), 140.4 (C_{Ar} quat), 137.0 (C_{Ar} quat), 134.8 (C_{Ar} quat), 125.7 (C_{Ar}), 125.53 and 125.47 (C_{Ar}), 122.26 and 122.23 (C_{Ar}), 83.2 (OC quat), 62.5 (OCH₂CH₃), 50.5 (C₂), 47.9 (C₃ quat), 44.3 (C₆), 37.9 (C₇), 37.3 (NCH₂), 35.8 (CH₂CO), 31.5 (C₄), 29.5, 29.4, 29.3 and 29.2 (CH₂Ar and NCH₂CH₂), 26.4 (C₈), 25.6 (C₅), 21.6 (C₁), 14.0 (OCH₂CH₃), 13.8 (CH₃); HRMS (ESI⁺) m/z Calculated for C₂₅H₃₂NO₅ [M+H] 426.2280; Found 426.2282.

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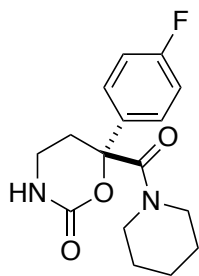
Functionalization of 6,6-disubstituted 1,3-oxazinan-2-ones

(±)-6-(4-Fluorophenyl)-2-oxo-1,3-oxazinan-6-carboxylic acid (13)

NaOH (2 M aq, 0.2 mL) was added to a solution of ethyl 6-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-oxo-1,3-oxazinan-6-carboxylate **4g** (53.5 mg, 0.2 mmol) in EtOH (1.0 mL). The reaction mixture was heated under reflux for 10 min, then cooled to rt. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure, then 1 M aq. HCl (10 mL) was added and the aqueous mixture was extracted with EtOAc (6 × 10 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure to afford 6-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-oxo-1,3-oxazinan-6-carboxylic acid **13** (41 mg, 92%) as a colorless solid. *R*_f 0.38 (EtOAc); mp = 152–153 °C; *v*_{max} (film)/cm⁻¹ 3333 (OH), 2919, 2850, 1716 (C=O carbamate), 1661 (br s, C=O carboxylic acid), 1602, 1509, 1459, 1276, 1232, 1224, 1212, 1165, 1118, 1089, 840, 740, 702, 675; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 13.60 (br s, 1 H, CO₂H), 7.60–7.52 (m, 2 H, 2 × HC_{Ar}), 7.42 (br s, 1 H, NH), 7.31–7.23 (m, 2 H, 2 × HC_{Ar}), 3.19–3.07 (m, 2 H, NCH₂), 2.63 (dt, *J* = 13.7, 4.1 Hz, 1 H, NCH₂CHH), 2.29–2.18 (m, 1 H, NCH₂CHH); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 171.2 (C=O carboxylic acid), 160.9 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 245.1 Hz, FC_{Ar} quat), 151.3 (C=O carbamate), 134.8 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 2.5 Hz, C_{Ar} quat), 127.5 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 8.6 Hz, 2 × C_{Ar}), 115.3 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 21.5 Hz, 2 × C_{Ar}), 81.9 (OC quat), 36.4 (NCH₂), 28.1 (NCH₂CH₂); ¹⁹F{¹H} NMR (377 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -113.8; HRMS (ESI⁻) *m/z* Calculated for C₁₁H₉NO₄F [M-H] 238.0516; Found 238.0523.

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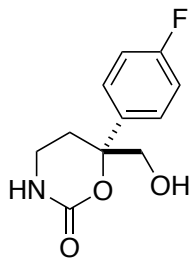
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(±)-6-(4-Fluorophenyl)-6-(piperidine-1-carbonyl)-1,3-oxazinan-2-one (14)

DIPEA (0.1 mL) was added to a solution of HATU (80 mg, 0.21 mmol), piperidine (21 μL) and 6-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-oxo-1,3-oxazinan-6-carboxylic acid **13** (42 mg, 0.18 mmol) in DMF (0.72 mL). The reaction mixture was stirred at 40 °C for 24 h then H₂O (20 mL) was added. EtOAc (20 mL) was added to the aqueous mixture and the layers were separated. Sat. brine (10 mL) was added to aid separation. The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (5 × 20 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine (20 mL), dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification by flash chromatography (2% MeOH/CH₂Cl₂ followed by EtOAc) afforded 6-(4-fluorophenyl)-6-(piperidine-1-carbonyl)-1,3-oxazinan-2-one **14** (39 mg, 64%) as a colorless solid. *R*_f 0.28 (EtOAc); mp = 177–180 °C; *v*_{max} (film)/cm⁻¹ 3279 (br s, NH), 2937, 2859, 1718 (C=O carbamate), 1634 (C=O amide), 1509, 1444, 1318, 1229, 1025, 1086, 731; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.46–7.40 (m, 2 H, 2 × HC_{Ar}), 7.13–7.06 (m, 2 H, 2 × HC_{Ar}), 5.69 (br s, 1 H, NH), 3.68–3.57 (m, 2 H, 2 × NCHH), 3.52–3.43 (m, 2 H, 2 × NCHH), 3.37–3.28 (m, 1 H, NHCHH), 3.22–3.15 (m, 1 H, NHCHH), 2.78 (dt, *J* = 13.9, 4.4 Hz, 1 H, NHCH₂CHH), 1.95 (ddd, *J* = 14.0, 9.7, 6.0 Hz, 1 H, NHCH₂CHH), 1.60–1.44 (m, 4 H, 2 × NCH₂CH₂), 1.43–1.33 (m, 1 H, N(CH₂)₂CHH), 0.98–0.85 (m, 1 H, N(CH₂)₂CHH); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.6 (C=O amide), 162.4 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 247.7 Hz, FC_{Ar} quat), 152.8 (C=O carbamate), 135.6 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 3.0 Hz, C_{Ar} quat), 125.8 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 8.3 Hz, 2 × C_{Ar}), 115.9 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 21.8 Hz, 2 × C_{Ar}), 85.1 (OC quat), 47.3 (NCH₂), 44.7 (NCH₂), 37.8 (NHCH₂), 33.1 (NHCH₂CH₂), 25.7 (NCH₂CH₂), 25.6 (NCH₂CH₂), 24.3 (N(CH₂)₂CH₂); ¹⁹F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -113.6 (m); HRMS (ESI⁺) *m/z* Calculated for C₁₆H₂₀NO₃F [M+H] 307.1458; Found 307.1466.

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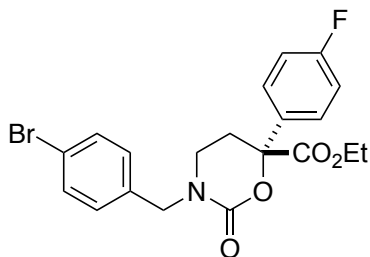
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(±)-6-(4-Fluorophenyl)-6-(hydroxymethyl)-1,3-oxazinan-2-one (15)

LiAlH₄ (4.1 mg, 0.11 mmol) in 1.8:1 Et₂O:THF (2.8 mL) was added dropwise over 10 min to a solution of ethyl 6-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-oxo-1,3-oxazinan-6-carboxylate **4g** (27 mg, 0.1 mmol) in Et₂O (0.2 mL) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for a further 50 min at 25 °C then sat. aq. NH₄Cl (20 mL) was added and the mixture was filtered into a separating funnel. The aqueous reaction mixture was extracted with EtOAc (4 × 20 mL) and the combined organic layers were dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification by flash chromatography (5% MeOH/CH₂Cl₂) afforded 6-(4-fluorophenyl)-6-(hydroxymethyl)-1,3-oxazinan-2-one **15** (15 mg, 67%) as a colorless solid. *R*_f 0.10 (5% MeOH/CH₂Cl₂); mp = 185–187 °C; *v*_{max} (film)/cm⁻¹ 3443 (br s, OH), 3242 (NH), 2917, 1720 (C=O), 1656, 1601, 1491, 1479, 1441, 1330, 1163, 1136, 1113, 1076, 1049, 982, 841, 768; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 7.50–7.45 (m, 2 H, 2 × HC_{Ar}), 7.22–7.15 (m, 2 H, 2 × HC_{Ar}), 3.73 (d, *J* = 12.2 Hz, 1 H, CHHOH), 3.68 (d, *J* = 12.2 Hz, 1 H, CHHOH), 3.33–3.27 (m, 1 H, NCHH), 2.98–2.90 (m, 1 H, NCHH), 2.45–2.39 (m, 2 H, NCH₂CH₂); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 163.9 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 245.2 Hz, FC_{Ar}), 156.7 (C=O), 137.2 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 3.1 Hz, C_{Ar}), 128.6 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 8.1 Hz, 2 × C_{Ar}), 116.5 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 21.8 Hz, 2 × C_{Ar}), 86.3 (OC quat), 70.1 (CH₂OH), 37.2 (NCH₂), 26.7 (NCH₂CH₂); ¹⁹F NMR (377 MHz, CD₃OD) δ -116.8 (m); HRMS (ESI⁺) *m/z* Calculated for C₁₁H₁₃NO₃F [M+H] 226.0879; Found 226.0890.

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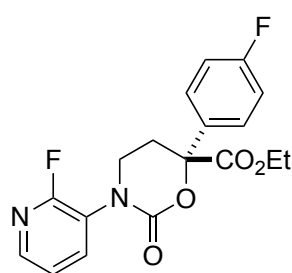
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(±)-Ethyl 3-(4-bromobenzyl)-6-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-oxo-1,3-oxazinan-6-carboxylate (16)

A solution of ethyl 6-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-oxo-1,3-oxazinan-6-carboxylate **4g** (27 mg, 0.1 mmol), 4-bromobenzyl bromide (30 mg, 0.12 mmol), KI (1.7 mg, 10 μmol) and K₂CO₃ (42 mg, 0.3 mmol) in MeCN (0.25 mL) was stirred at 50 °C for 20 h. The reaction was allowed to cool to rt and H₂O (25 mL) was added. The aqueous reaction mixture was extracted with EtOAc (3 × 25 mL) and the combined organic layers were dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification by flash chromatography (25% to 40% EtOAc/pentane) followed by purification by flash chromatography (2% Et₂O/CH₂Cl₂) afforded ethyl 3-(4-bromobenzyl)-6-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-oxo-1,3-oxazinan-6-carboxylate **16** (15 mg, 34%) as a colorless solid. *R*_f 0.18 (1% Et₂O/CH₂Cl₂); mp = 105–107 °C; *v*_{max} (film)/cm⁻¹ 3049, 2974, 2929, 1737 (C=O ester), 1692 (C=O carbamate), 1513, 1439, 1267, 1170, 1010, 824, 753; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.60–7.54 (m, 2 H, 2 × HC_{Ar}), 7.44 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2 H, 2 × HC_{Ar}), 7.15–7.05 (m, 4 H, 4 × HC_{Ar}), 4.59 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1 H, NCHHAr), 4.44 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1 H, NCHHAr), 4.23–4.11 (m, 2 H, OCH₂CH₃), 3.25–3.17 (m, 1 H, NCHH), 3.16–3.08 (m, 1 H, NCHH), 2.80–2.72 (m, 1 H, NCH₂CHH), 2.33 (ddd, *J* = 13.9, 9.7, 6.1 Hz, 1 H, NCH₂CHH), 1.19 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3 H, OCH₂CH₃); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 169.8 (C=O ester), 162.9 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 248.3 Hz, FC_{Ar} quat), 152.1 (C=O carbamate), 135.2 (C_{Ar} quat), 133.1 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 2.7 Hz, C_{Ar} quat), 131.8 (2 × C_{Ar}), 129.7 (2 × C_{Ar}), 127.0 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 8.4 Hz, 2 × C_{Ar}), 121.8 (BrC_{Ar} quat), 115.6 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 21.7 Hz, 2 × C_{Ar}), 82.5 (OC quat), 62.6 (OCH₂CH₃), 52.0 (NCH₂Ar), 41.8 (NCH₂), 30.0 (NCH₂CH₂), 13.9 (OCH₂CH₃); ¹⁹F{¹H} NMR (377 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -112.8; HRMS (ESI⁺) *m/z* Calculated for C₂₀H₂₀NO₄F⁷⁹Br [M+H] 436.0560; Found 436.0554.

SMILES: O=C1N(CC2=CC=C(Br)C=C2)CC[C@](C3=CC=C(F)C=C3)(C(OCC)=O)O1

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(±)-Ethyl 6-(4-fluorophenyl)-3-(2-fluoropyridin-3-yl)-2-oxo-1,3-oxazinane-6-carboxylate (17)

A solution of ethyl 6-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-oxo-1,3-oxazinane-6-carboxylate **4g** (27 mg, 0.1 mmol), 2-fluoro-3-iodopyridine (44 mg, 0.2 mmol), CuI (1.9 mg, 10 μ mol), K₂CO₃ (28 mg, 0.2 mmol) and cyclohexan-1,2-diamine (2.4 μ L, 20 μ mol) in 1,4-dioxane was stirred at 110 °C for 24 h. The reaction mixture was allowed to cool to rt, then the mixture was filtered through celite washing with EtOAc (20 mL) and the crude product was concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification by flash chromatography (60% EtOAc/pentane) afforded ethyl 6-(4-fluorophenyl)-3-(2-fluoropyridin-3-yl)-2-oxo-1,3-oxazinane-6-carboxylate **17** (20 mg, 55%) as a colorless solid. *R*_f 0.13 (50% EtOAc/pentane); mp = 139–141 °C; ν_{max} (film)/cm⁻¹ 3064, 2907, 2967, 1703 (s br,

2 $\times$ C=O), 1603, 1577, 1450, 1323, 1252, 1223, 1159, 1092, 1006, 965, 917, 828; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.18 (m, 1 H, HC_{Ar}), 7.81–7.75 (m, 1 H, HC_{Ar}), 7.67–7.61 (m, 2 H, 2 $\times$ HC_{Ar}), 7.27–7.25 (m, 1 H, HC_{Ar}), 7.16–7.09 (m, 2 H, 2 $\times$ HC_{Ar}), 4.36–4.24 (m, 2 H, OCH₂CH₃), 3.74–3.66 (m, 1 H, NCHH), 3.61–3.54 (m, 1 H, NCHH), 2.97 (ddd, *J* = 13.9, 5.2, 4.1 Hz, 1 H, NCH₂HH), 2.55 (ddd, *J* = 13.9, 10.1, 5.9 Hz, 1 H, NCH₂CHH), 1.29 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3 H, OCH₂CH₃); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 169.6 (C=O ester), 163.0 (d, *J* = 249.0 Hz, FC_{Ar} quat), 158.6 (d, *J* = 241.6 Hz, FC_{Ar}N quat), 150.7 (C=O carbamate), 139.9 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 2.9 Hz, C_{Ar} quat), 132.8 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 2.9 Hz, C_{Ar} quat), 127.0 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 8.4 Hz, 2 $\times$ C_{Ar}), 124.5 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 27.7 Hz, C_{Ar}), 122.2 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 4.2 Hz, C_{Ar}), 115.8 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 21.8 Hz, 2 $\times$ C_{Ar}), 83.5 (OC quat), 63.0 (OCH₂CH₃), 45.4 (NCH₂), 30.4 (NCH₂CH₂), 14.0 (OCH₂CH₃) (the peak due to NC_{Ar} quat was not observed); ¹⁹F{¹H} NMR (377 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -74.9, -112.5; HRMS (ESI⁺) *m/z* Calculated for C₁₈H₁₇N₂O₄F₂ [M+H] 363.1156; Found 363.1154.

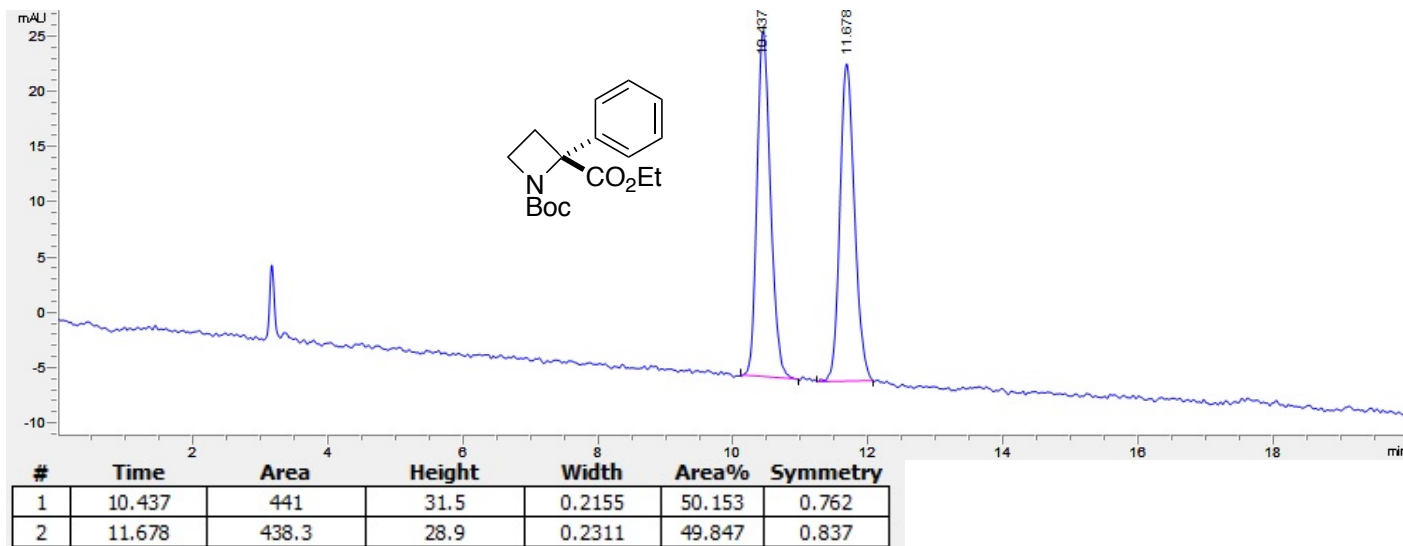
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HPLC Data

(±)-1-(*tert*-Butyl) 2-ethyl 2-phenylazetidine-1,2-dicarboxylate **3a**

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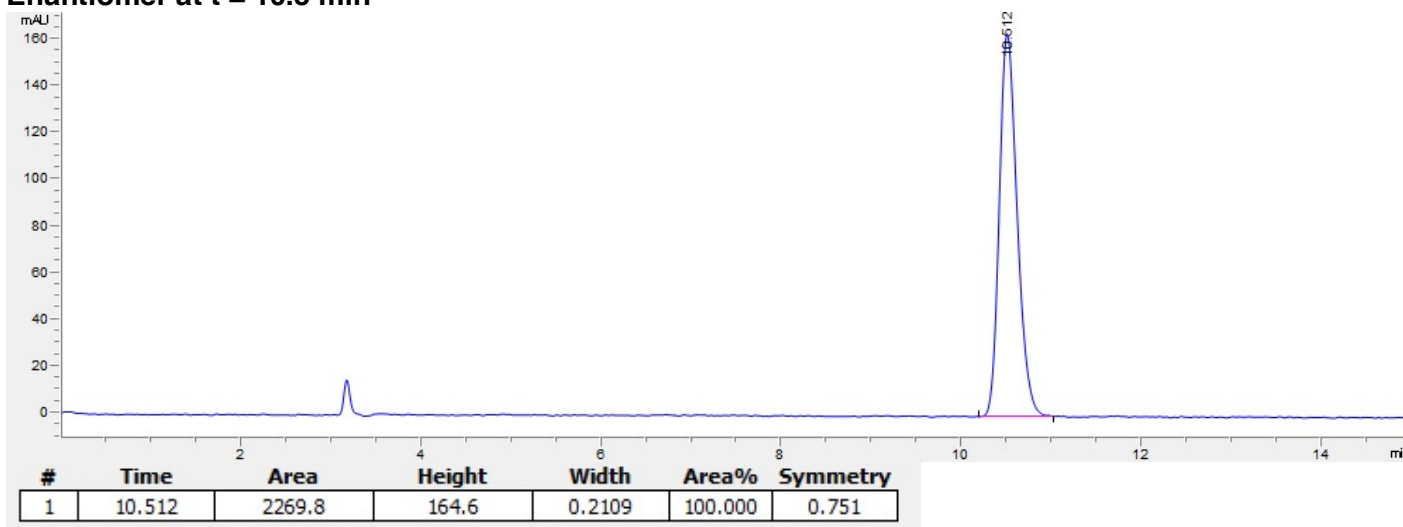
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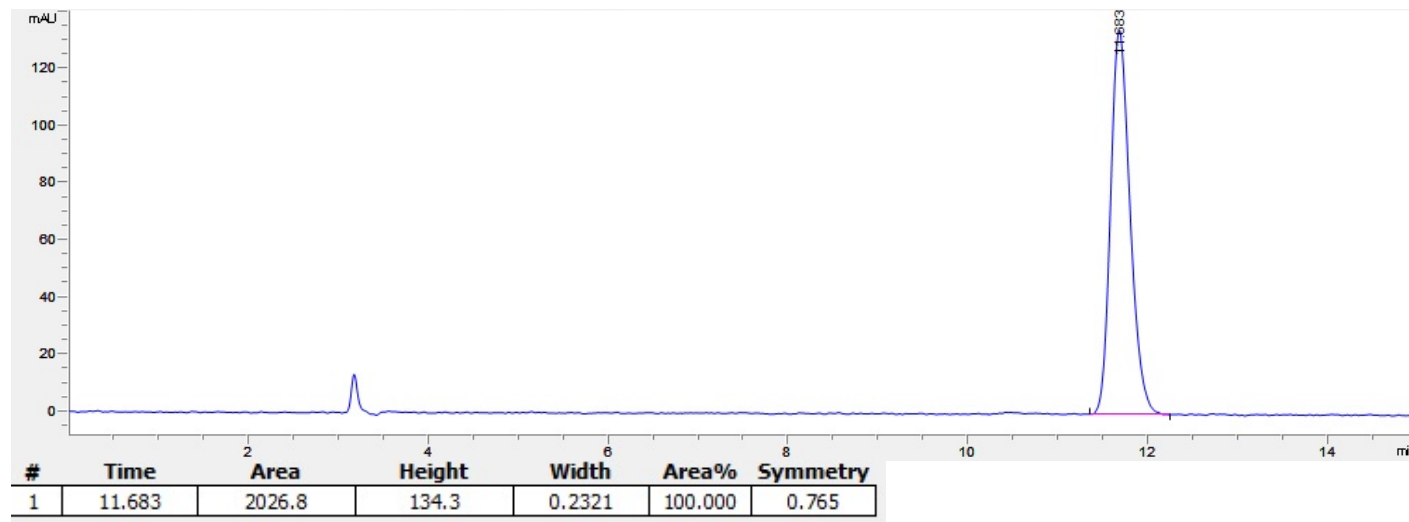
A racemic mixture of 1-(*tert*-Butyl) 2-ethyl 2-phenylazetidine-1,2-dicarboxylate **3a** was separated by chiral HPLC.

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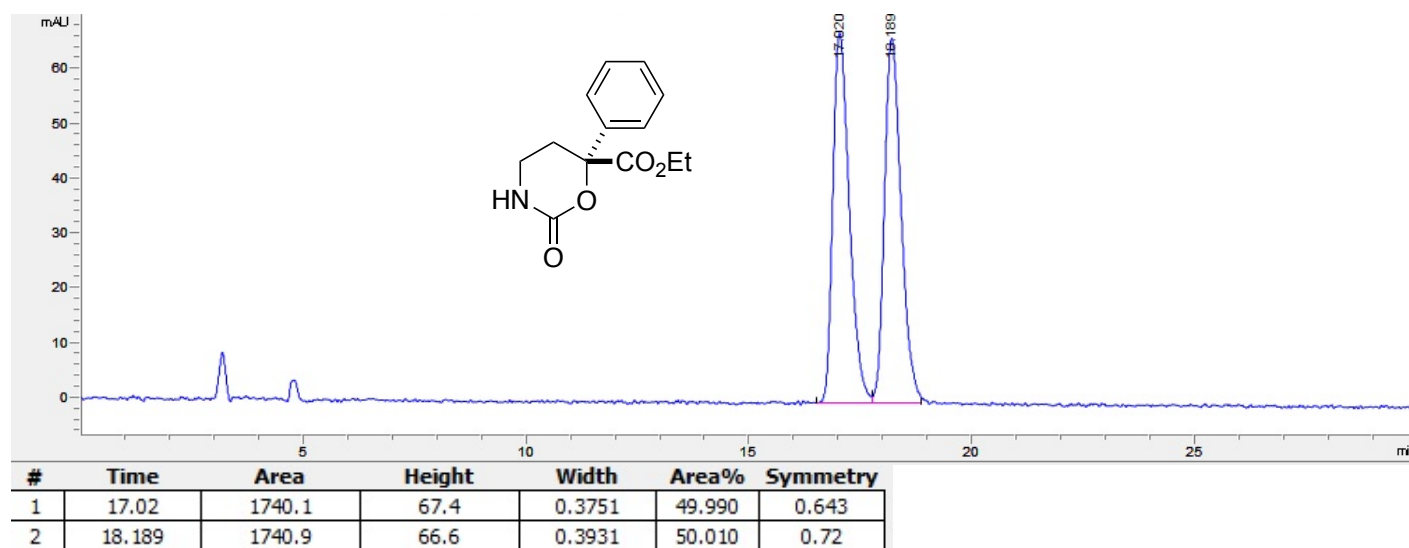
A 10 mg/mL solution of 1-(*tert*-Butyl) 2-ethyl 2-phenylazetidine-1,2-dicarboxylate **3a** was injected and the HPLC outlet was collected in vials, changing every 15 s. This was repeated to afford 3 mg each of the two enantiomers with high enantiopurity.

Enantiomer at t = 10.5 min



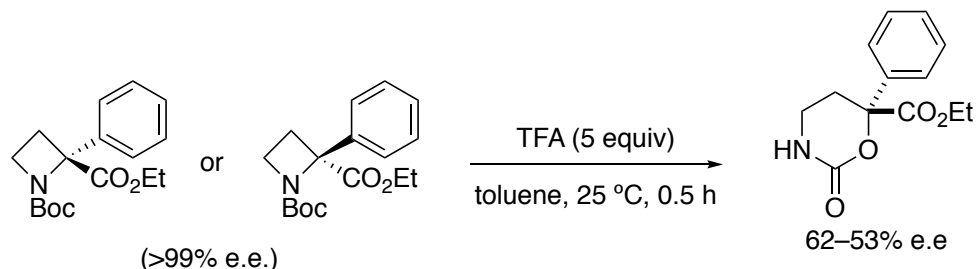
Enantiomer at t = 11.7 min**(±)-Ethyl 2-oxo-6-phenyl-1,3-oxazinane-6-carboxylate 4a**

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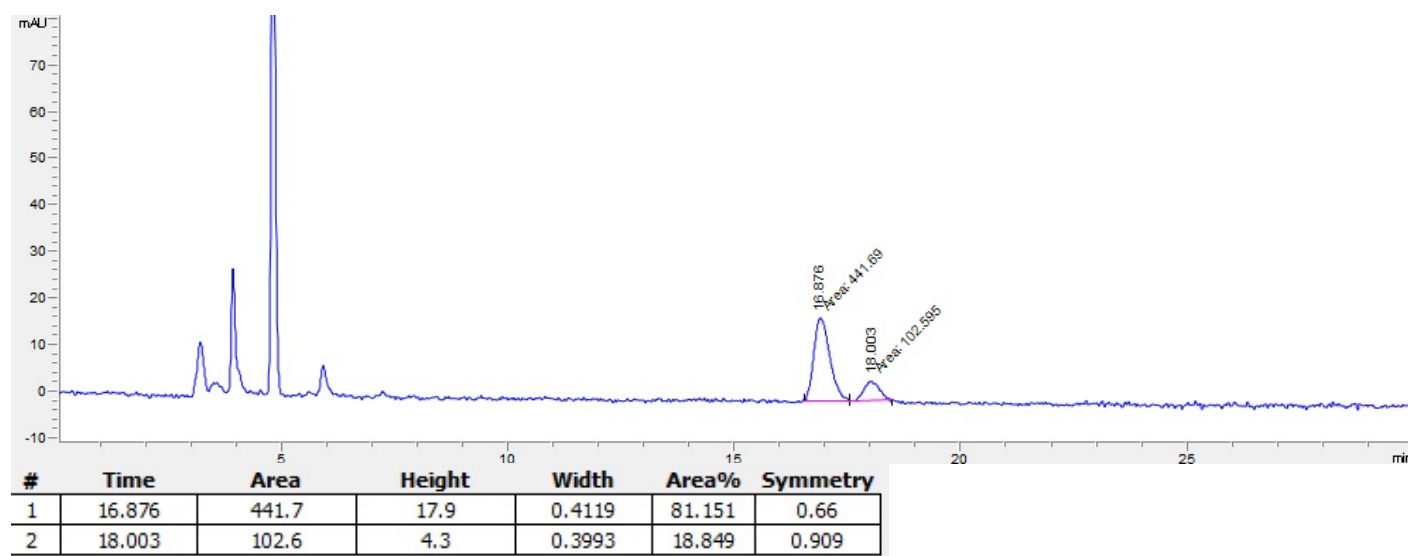


Subjection of enantiomer of 1-(*tert*-butyl) 2-ethyl 2-phenylazetidine-1,2-dicarboxylate to reaction conditions

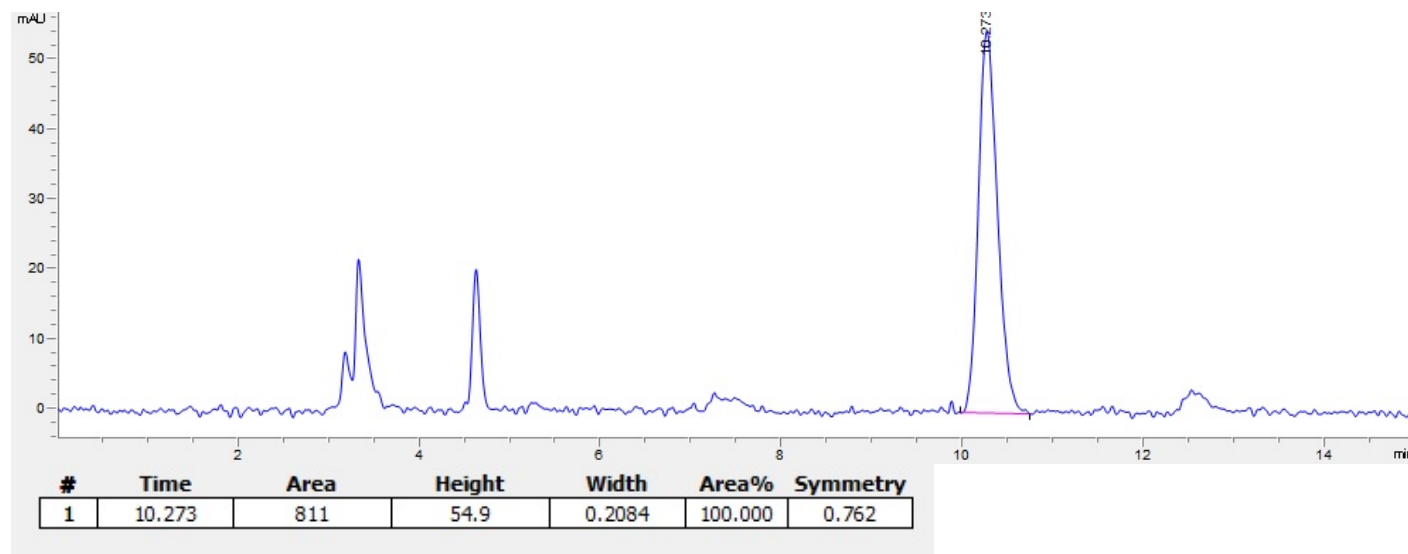
A stock solution of trifluoroacetic acid in toluene (10 μ L, 0.38 mL TFA/ 1 mL toluene) was added to a solution of 1-(*tert*-butyl) 2-ethyl 2-phenylazetidine-1,2-dicarboxylate (e.e. > 99%) (3 mg) at 25 °C and stirred for 30 min. The reaction mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure and a sample taken for HPLC analysis.

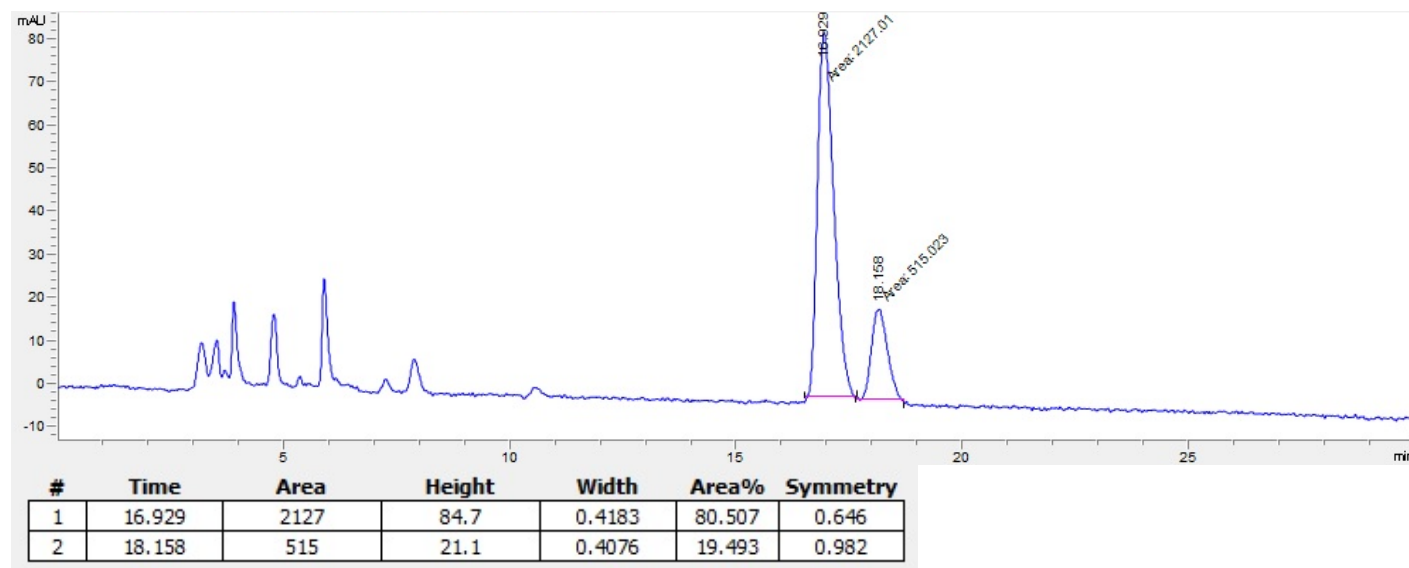
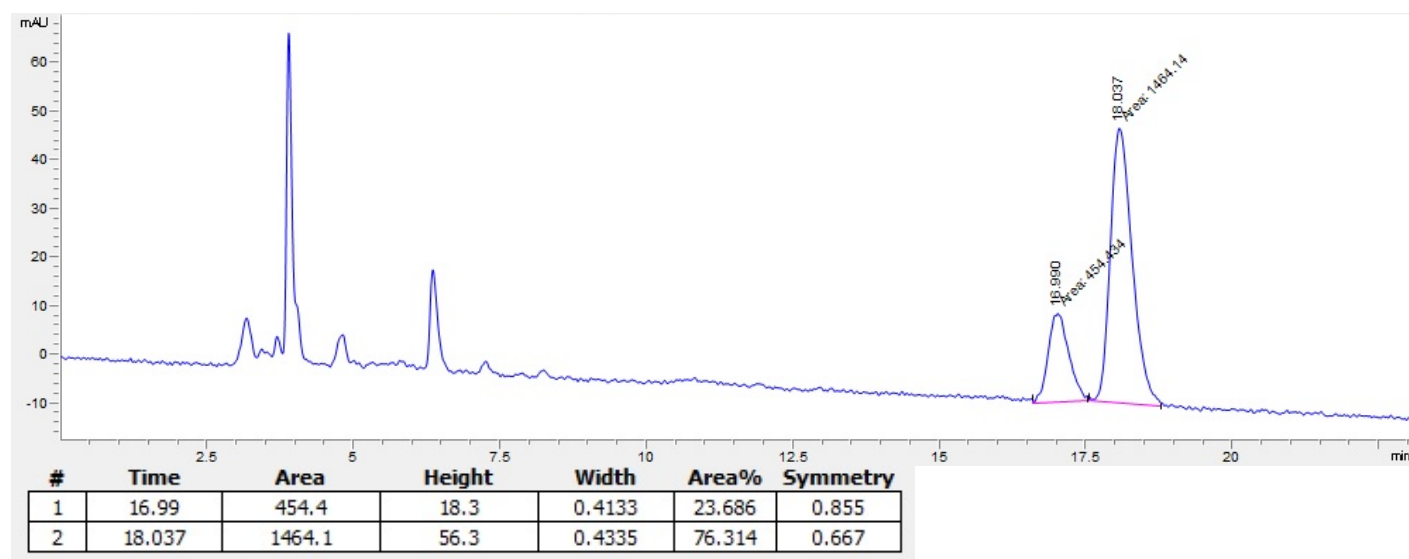


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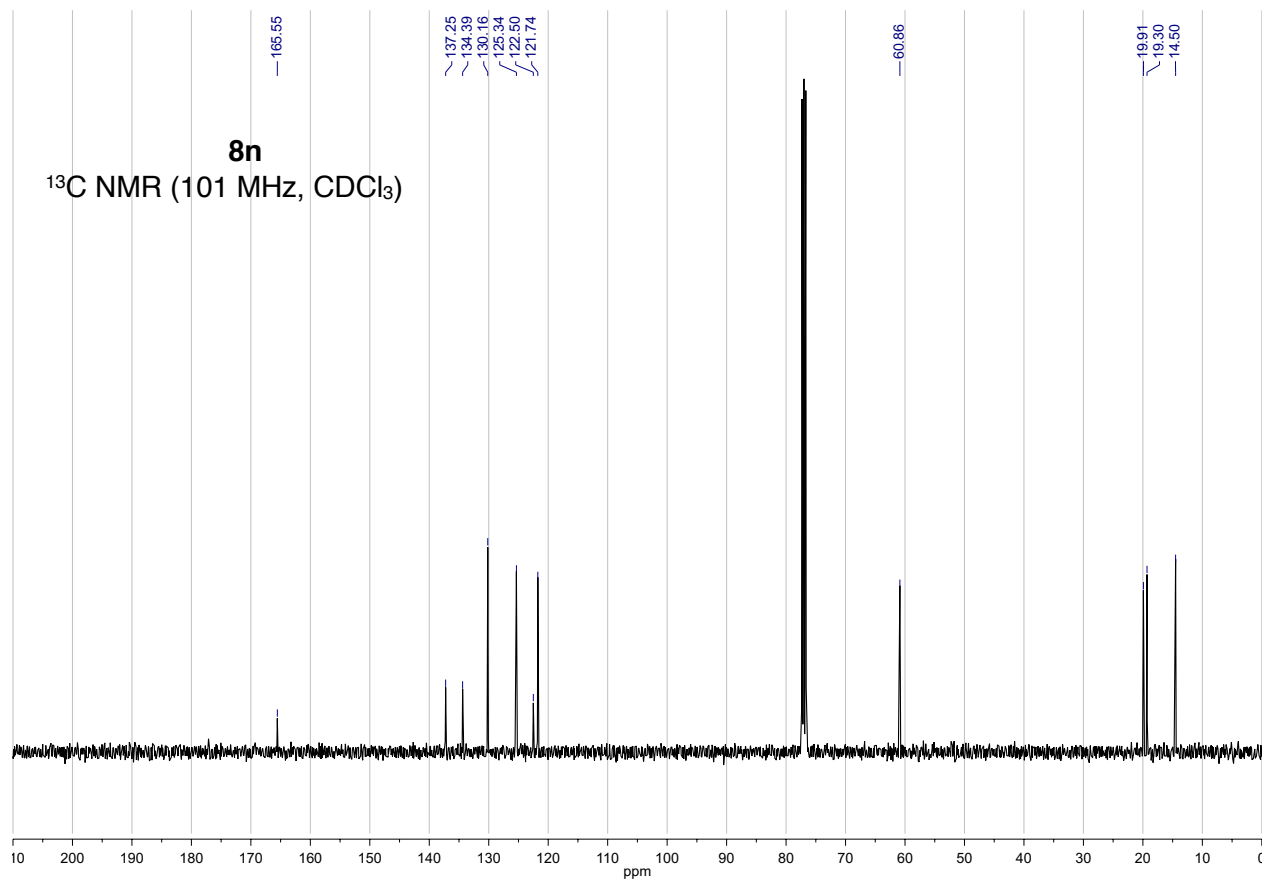
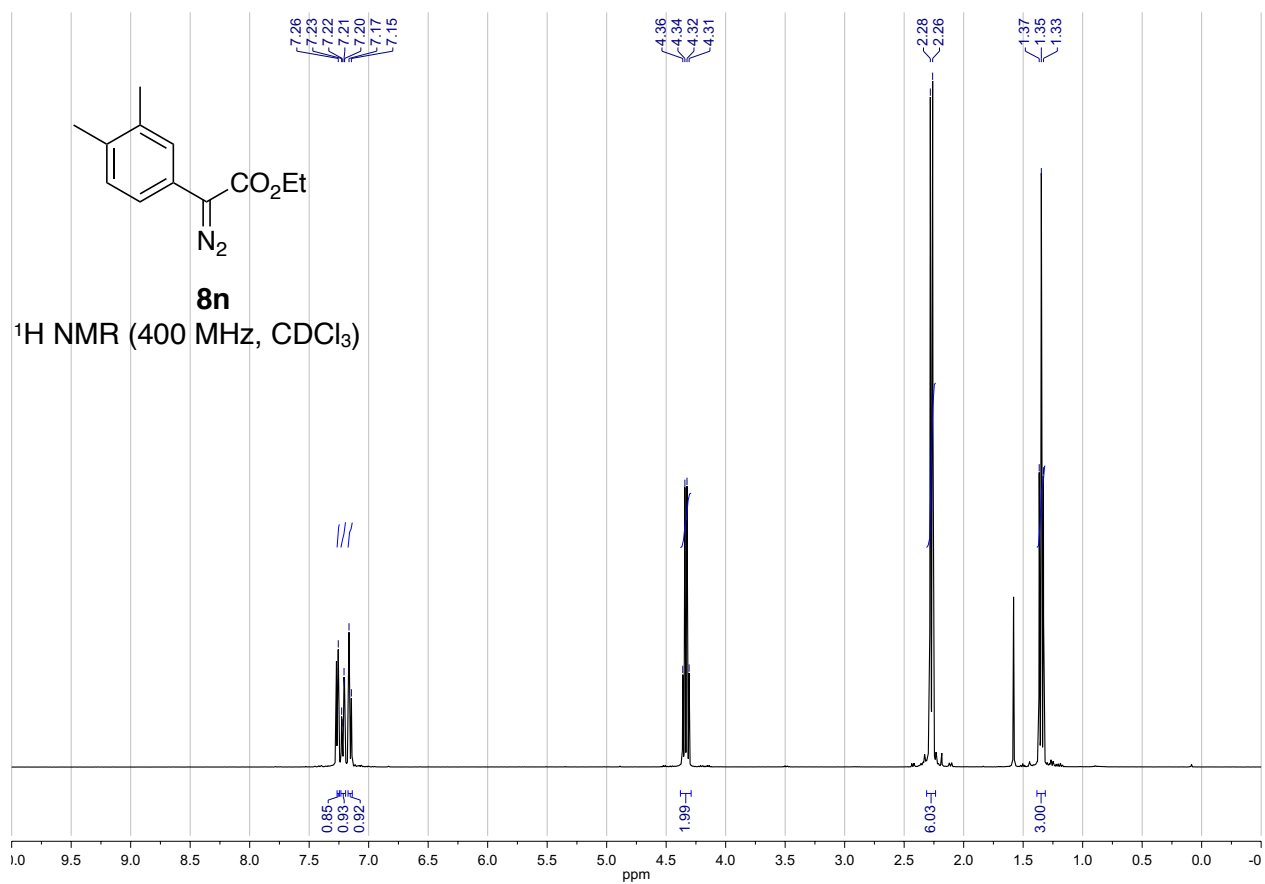


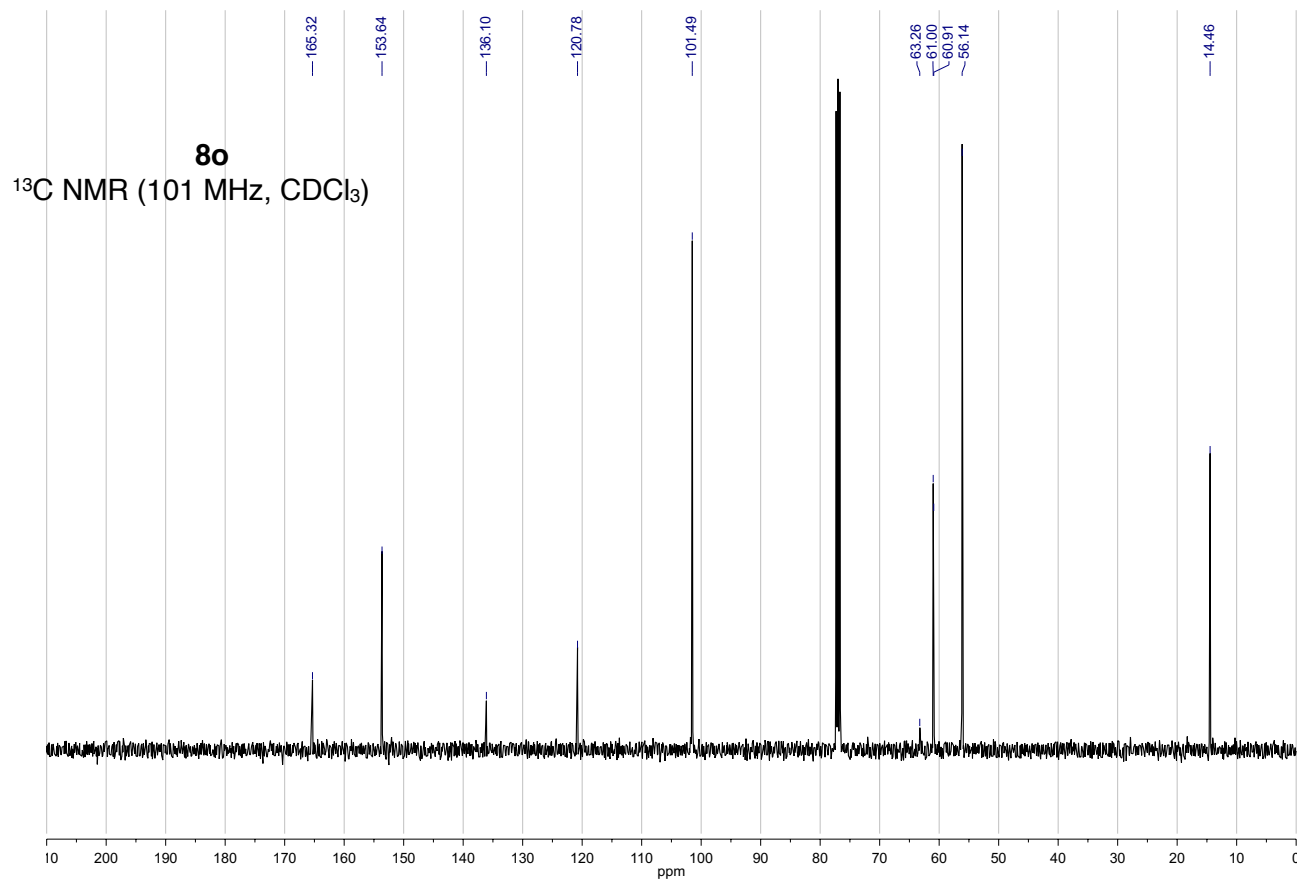
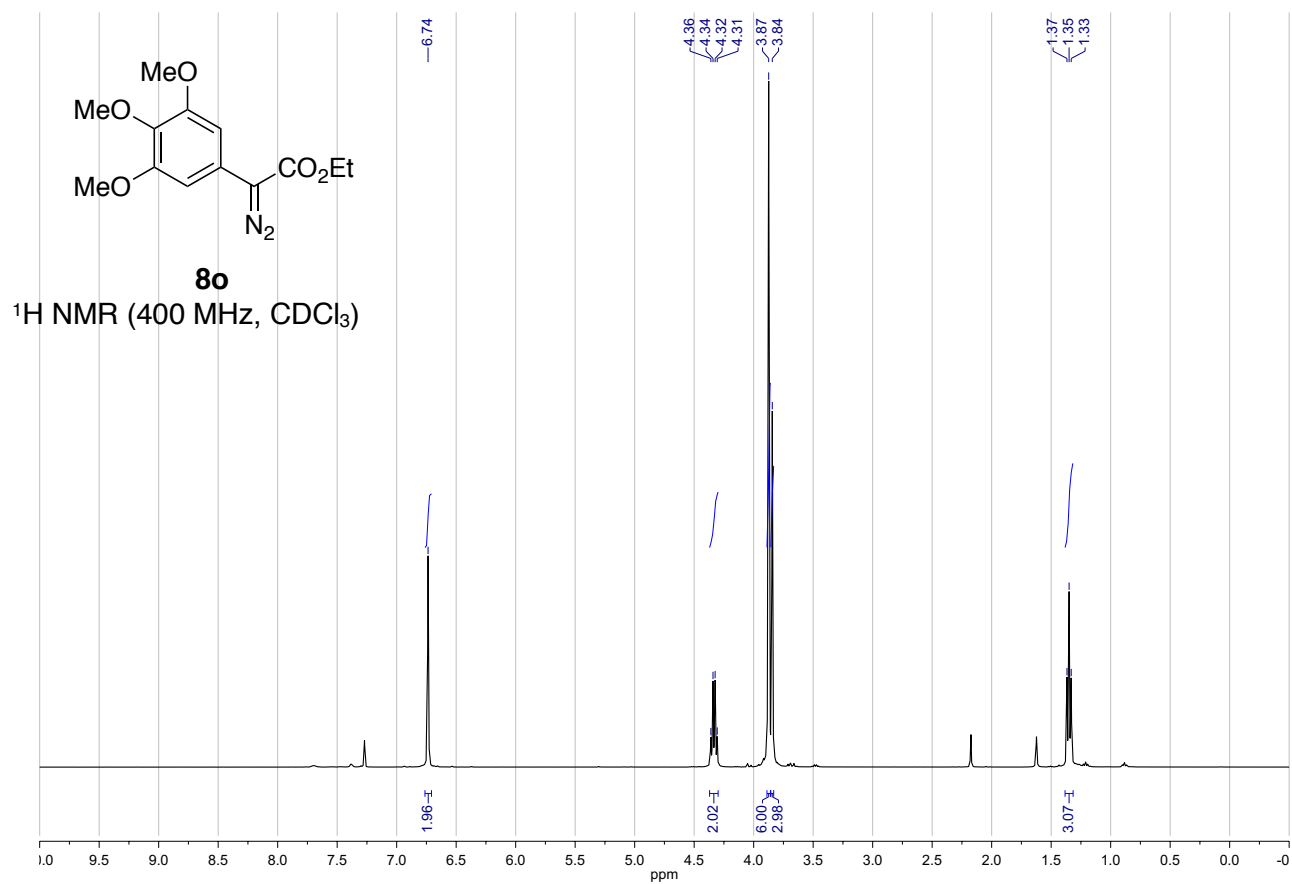
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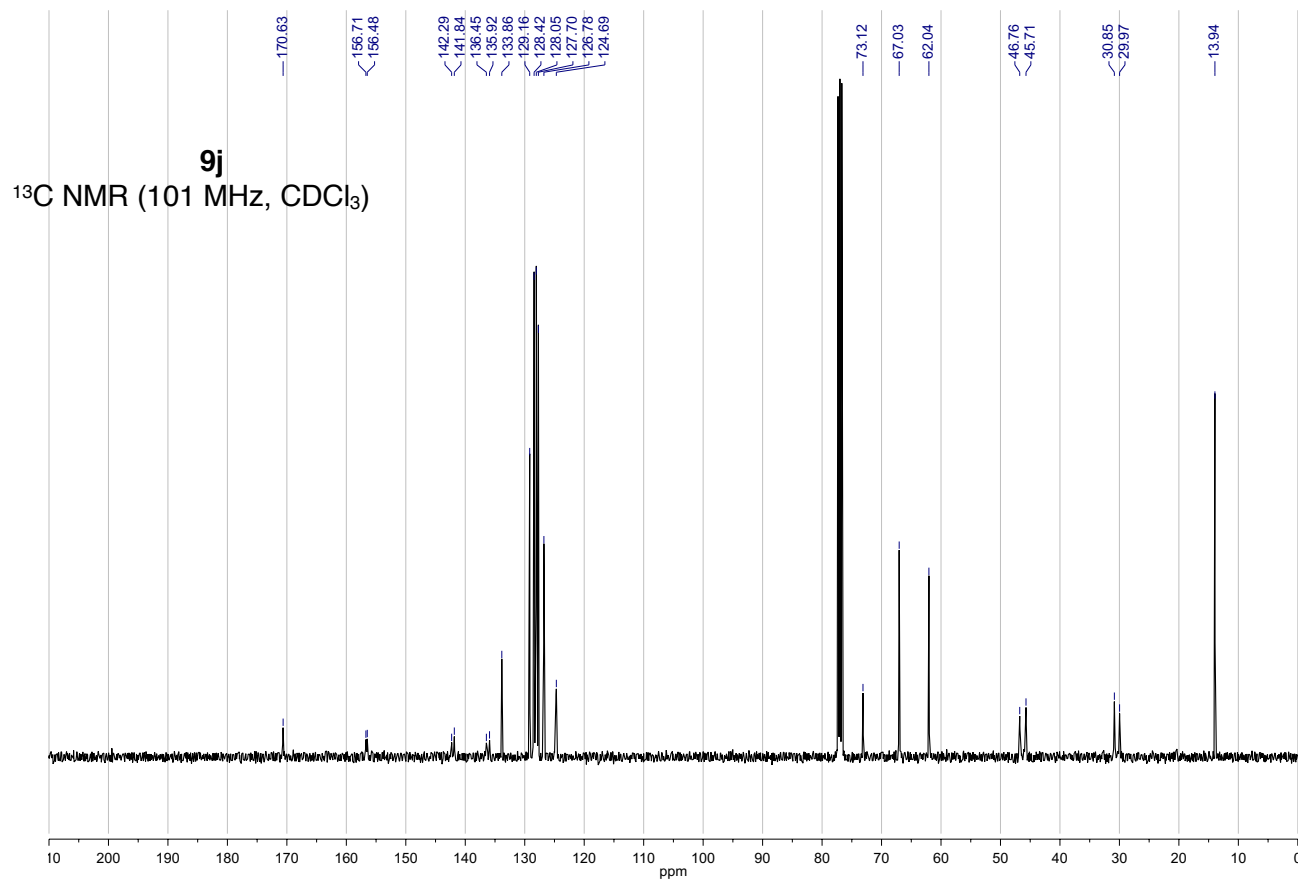
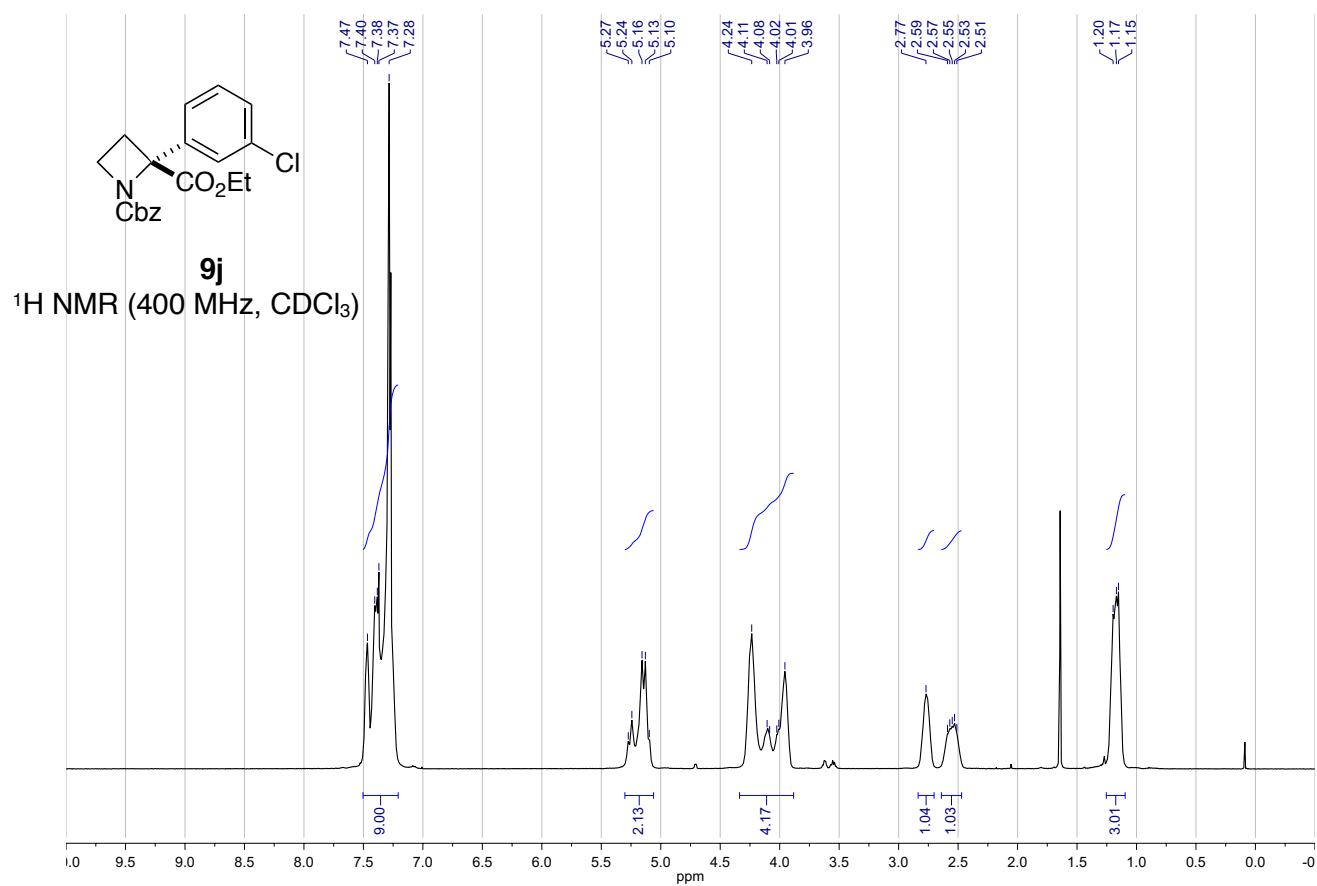


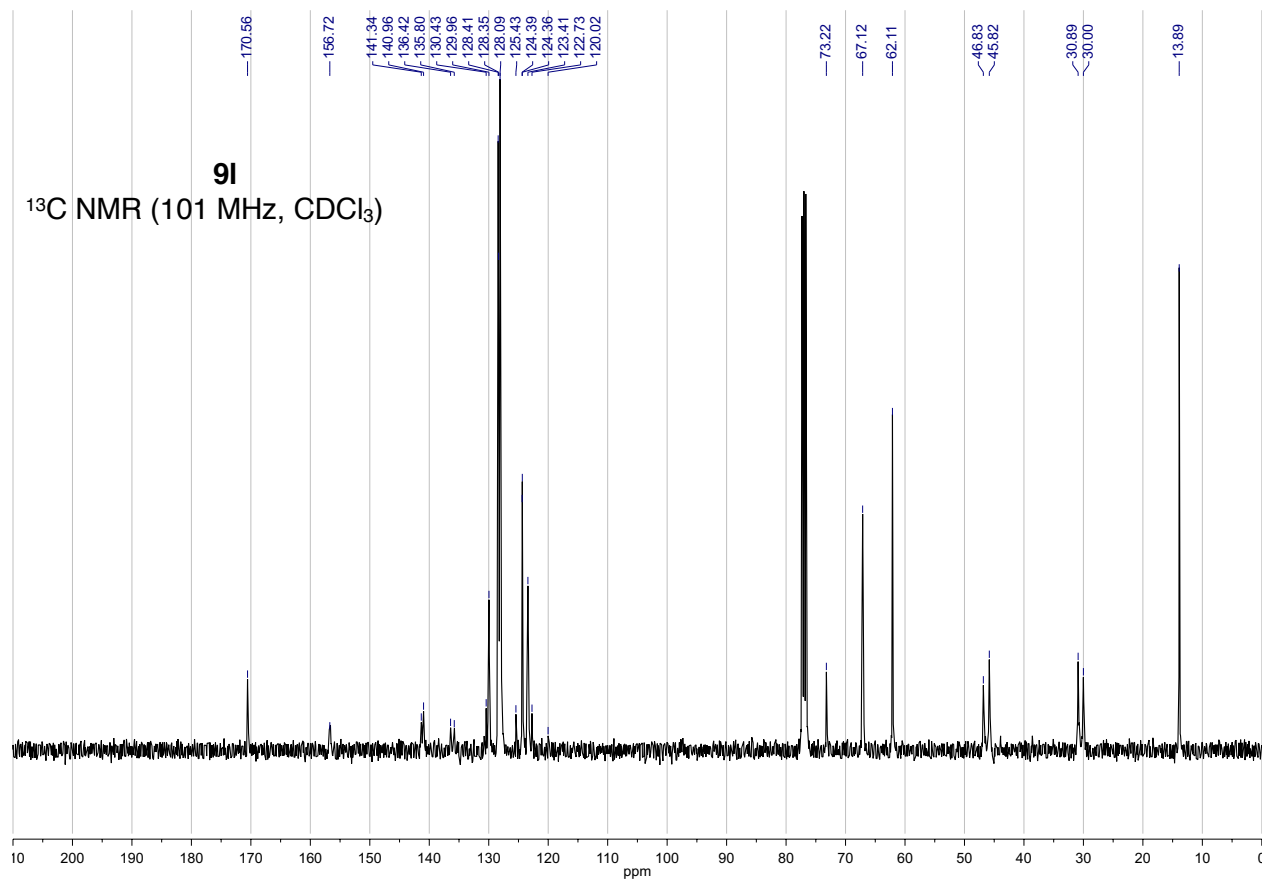
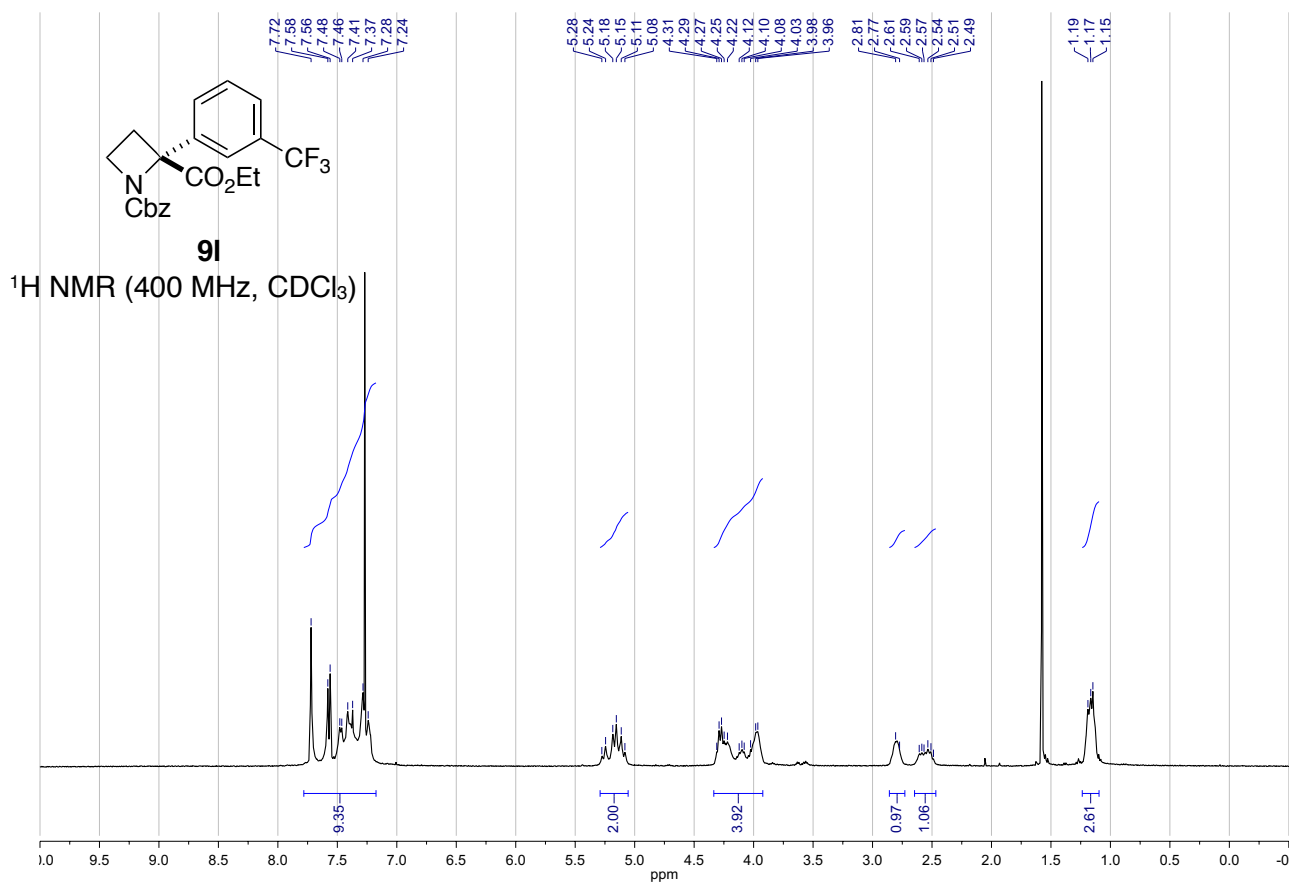
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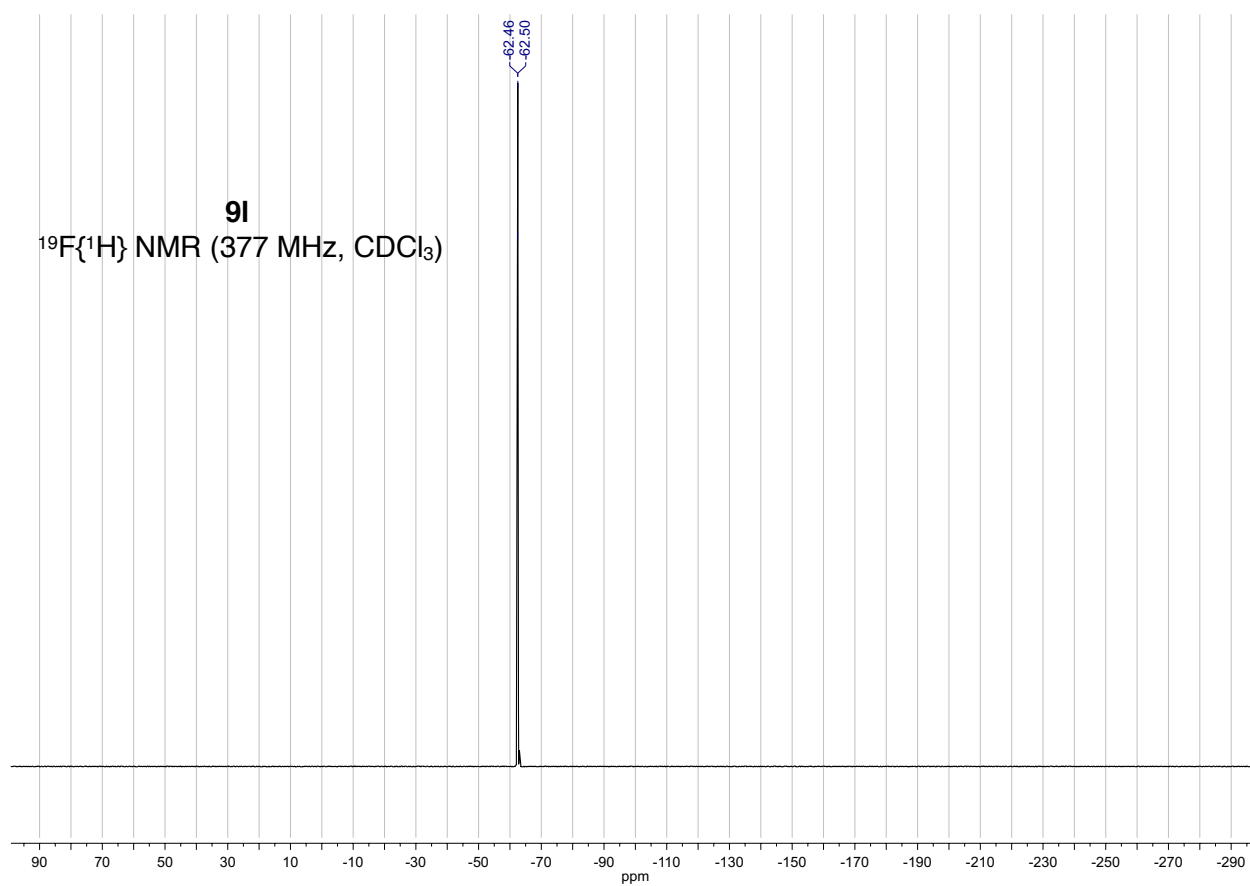
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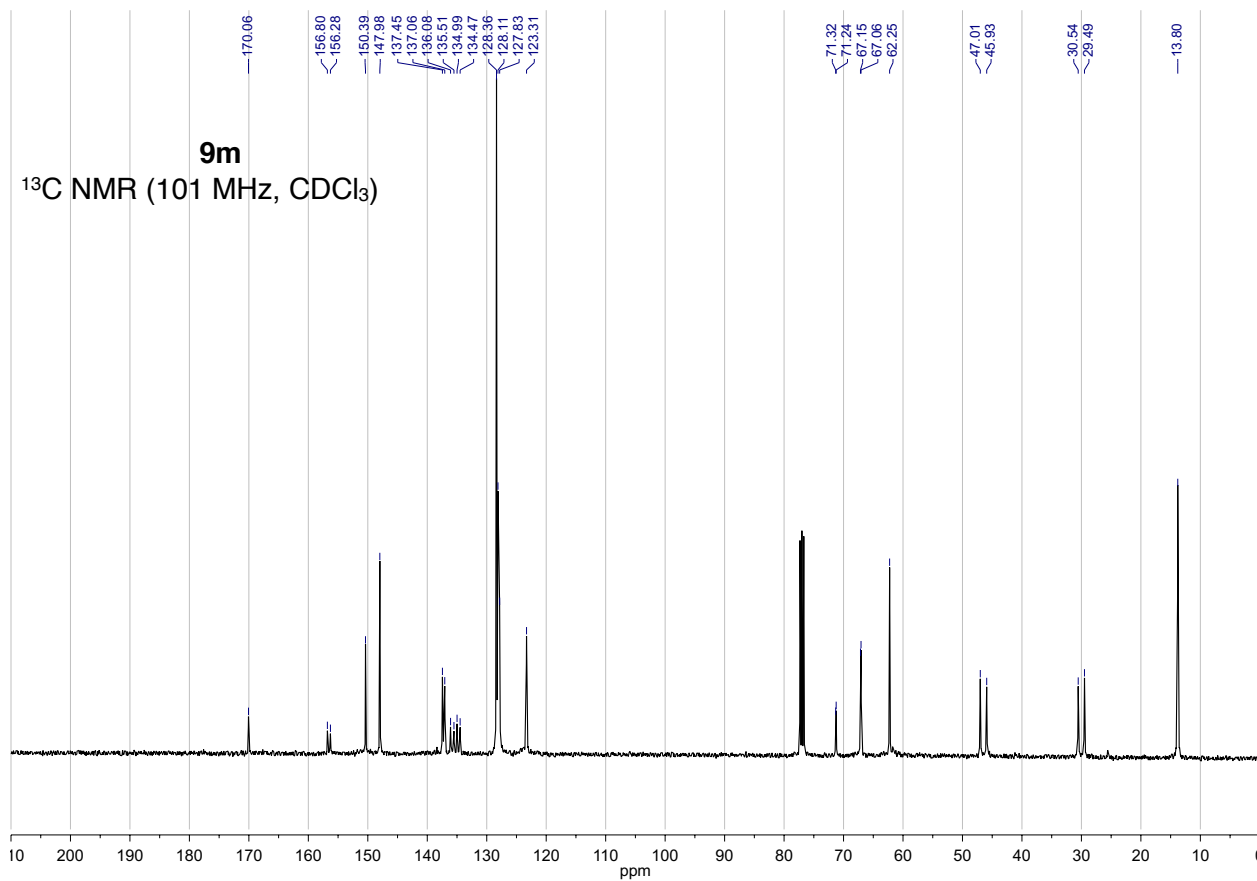
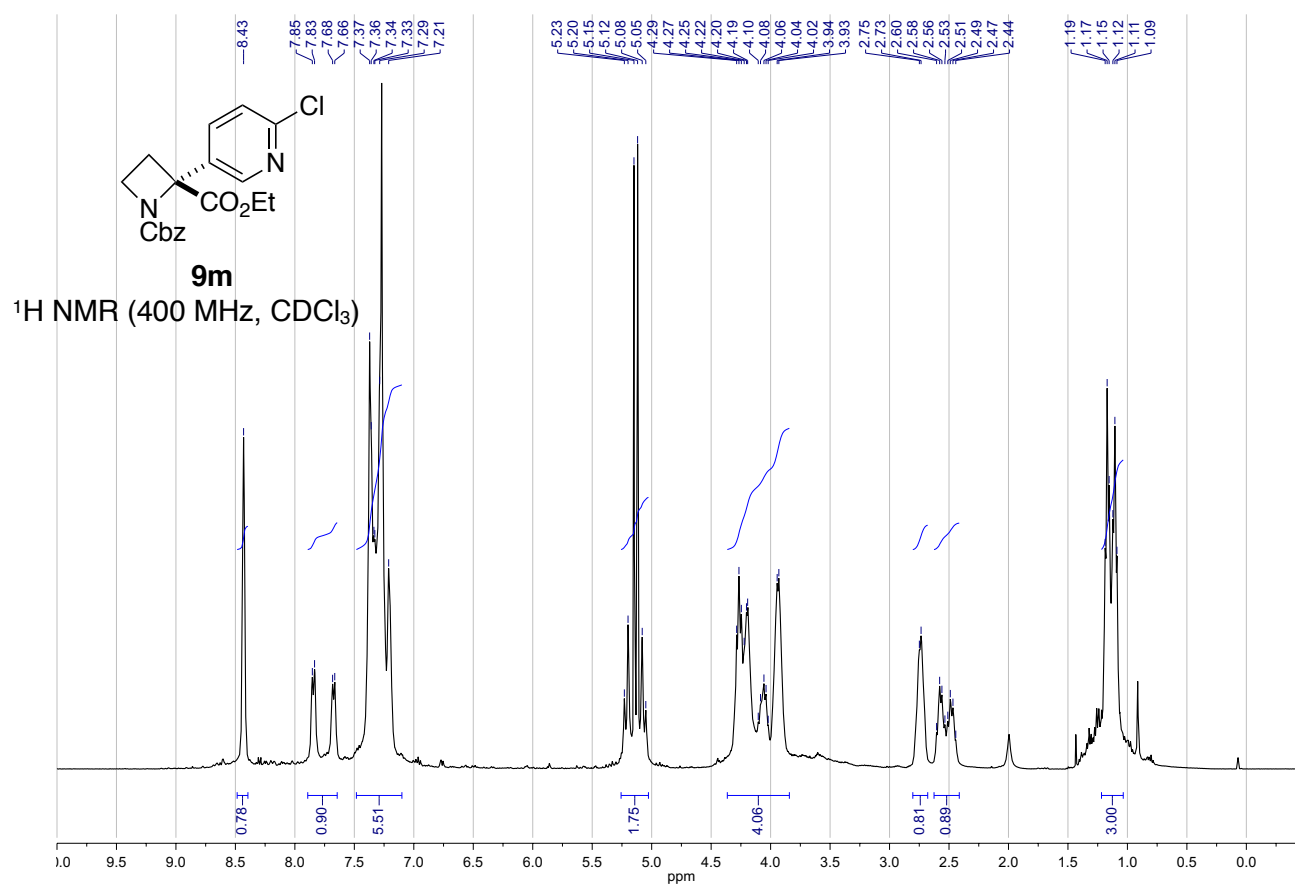


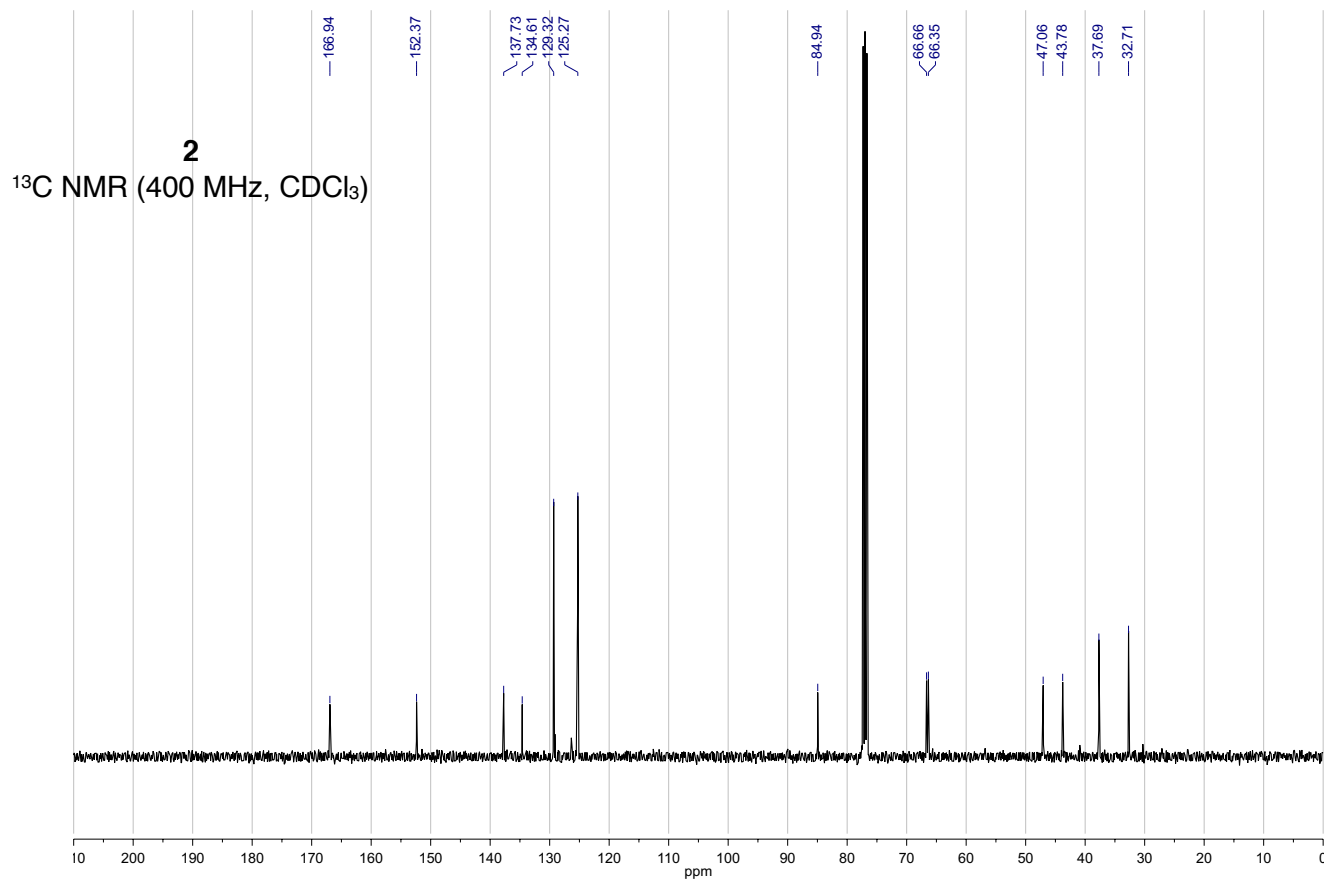
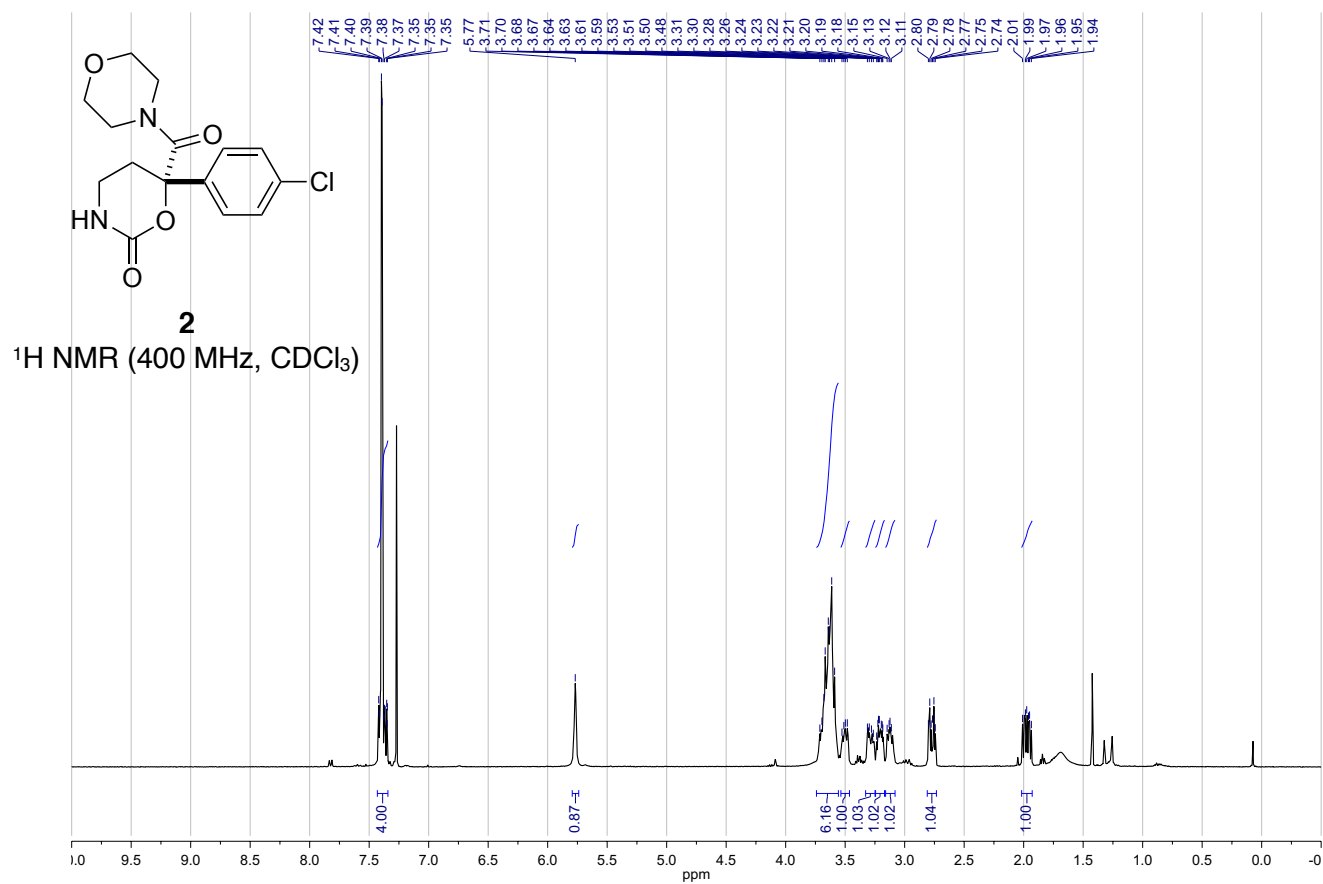


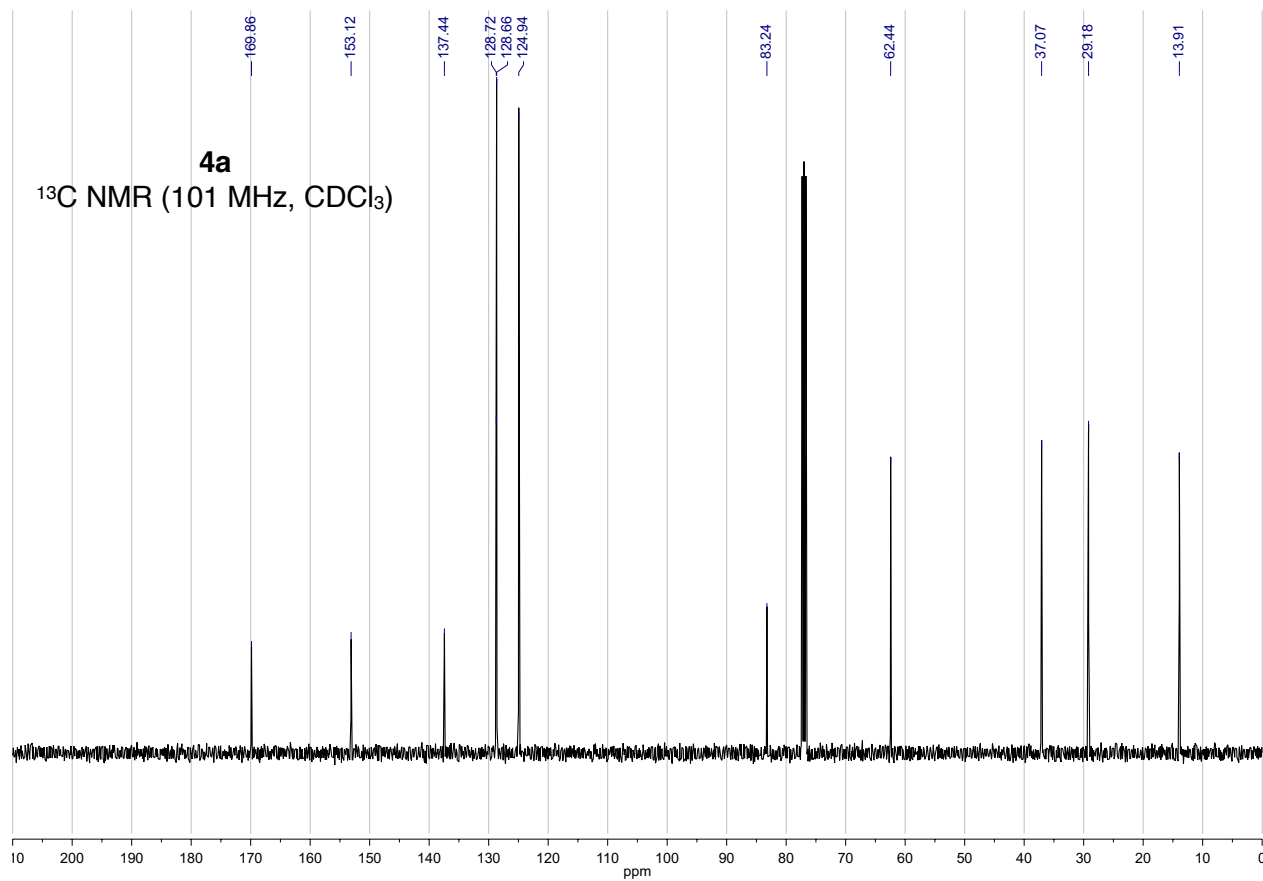
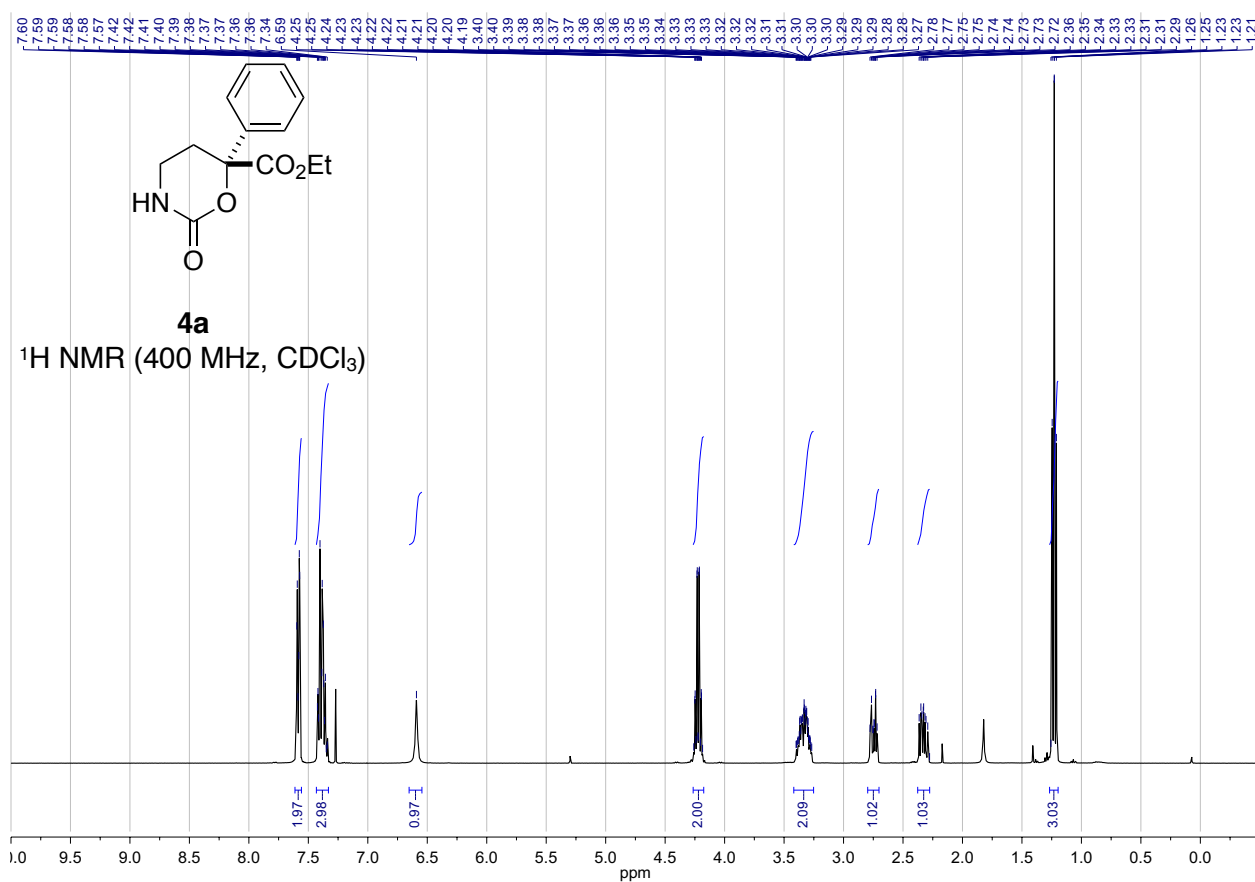


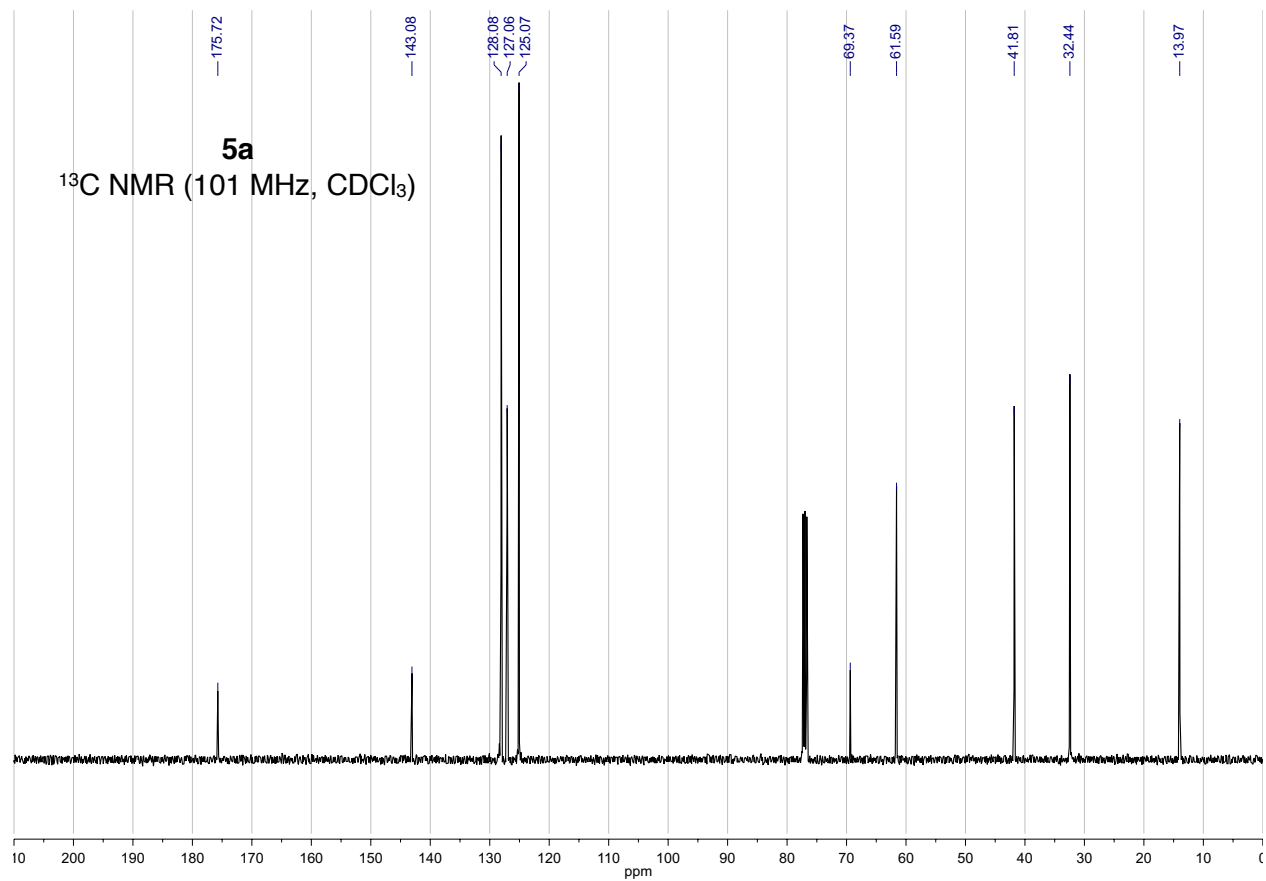
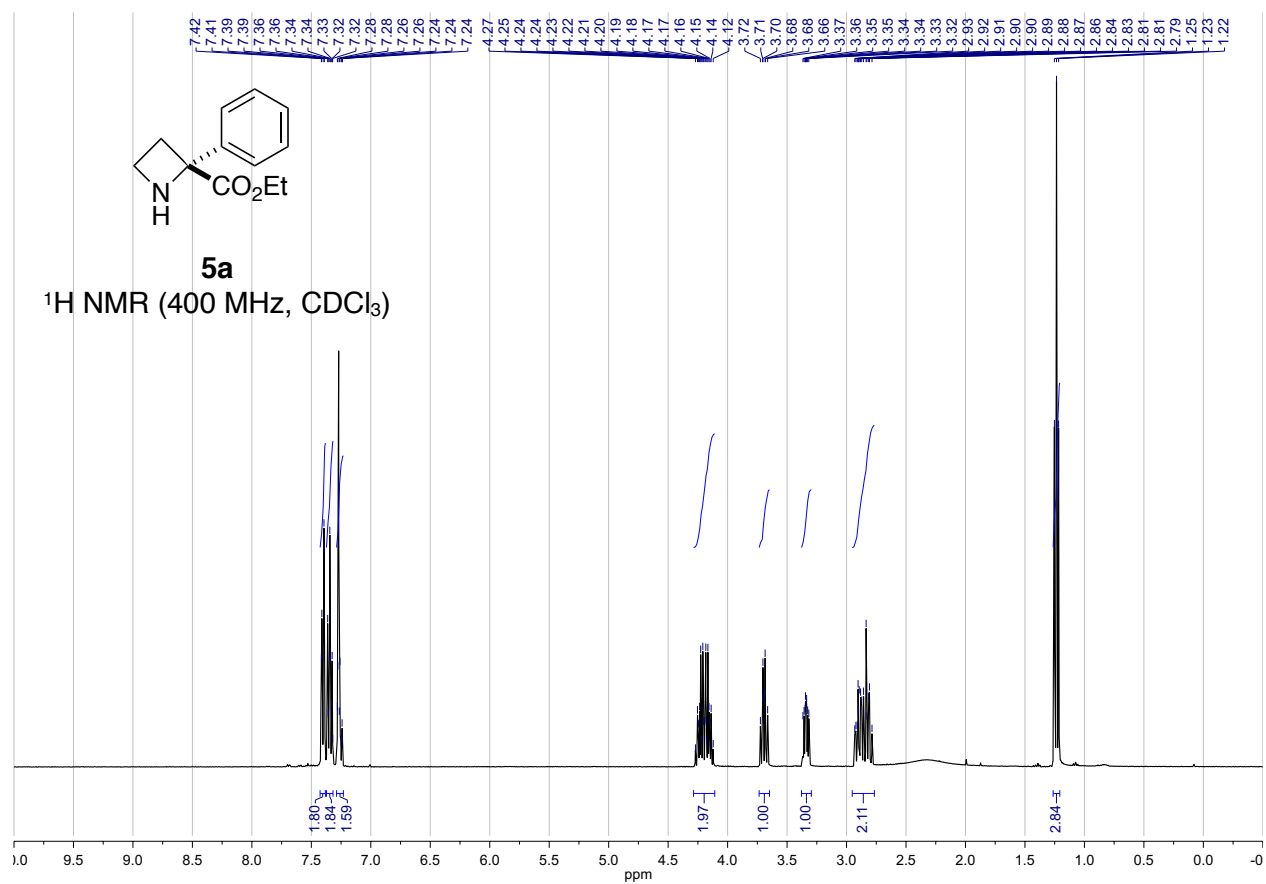


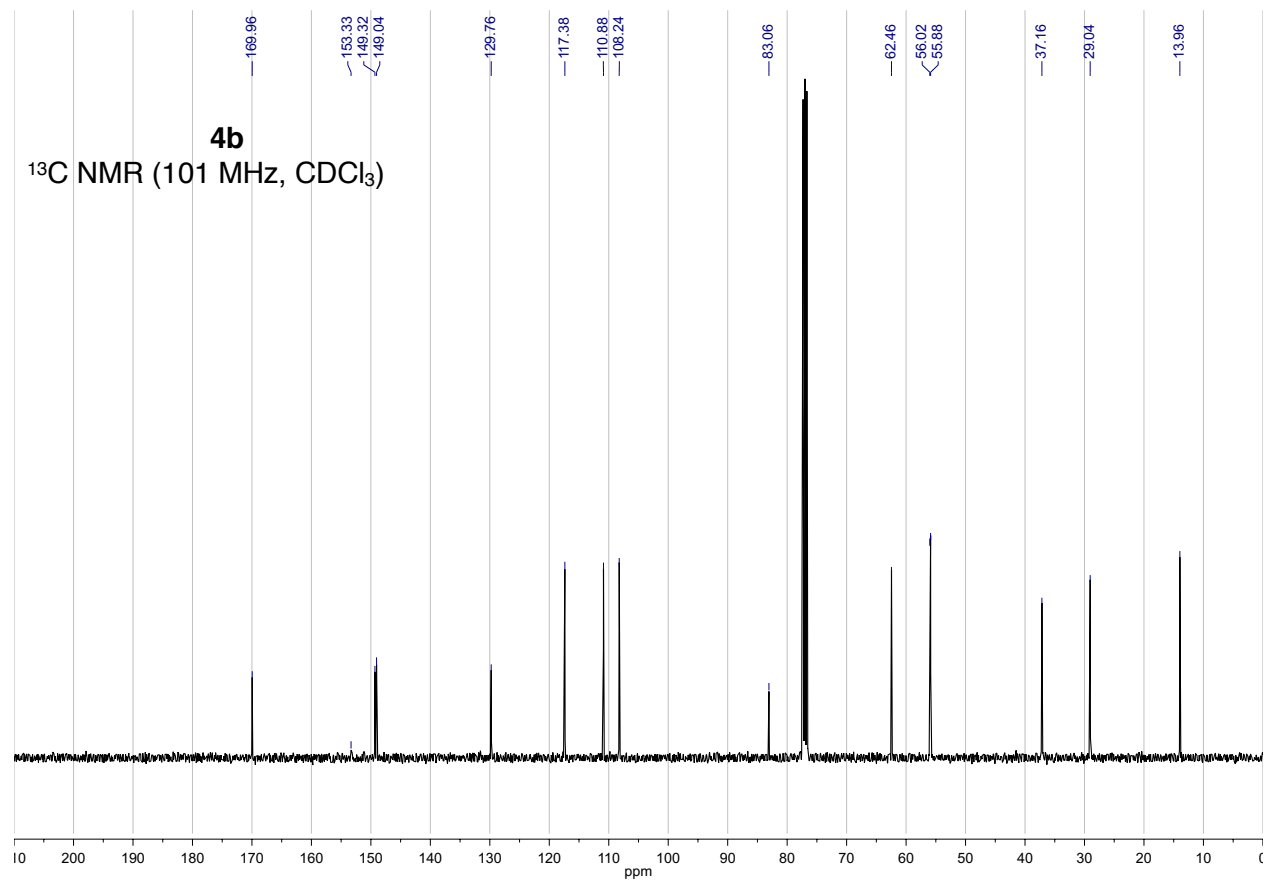
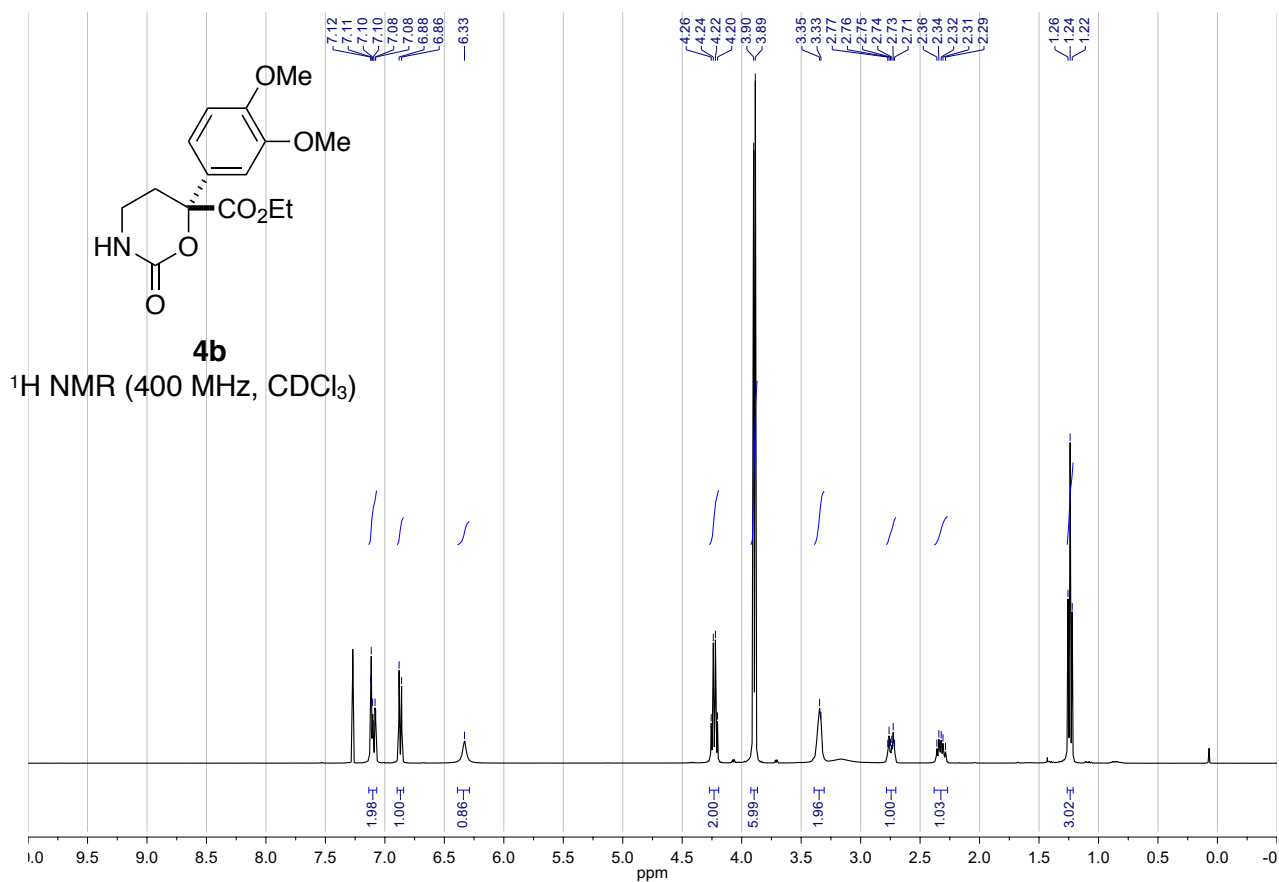


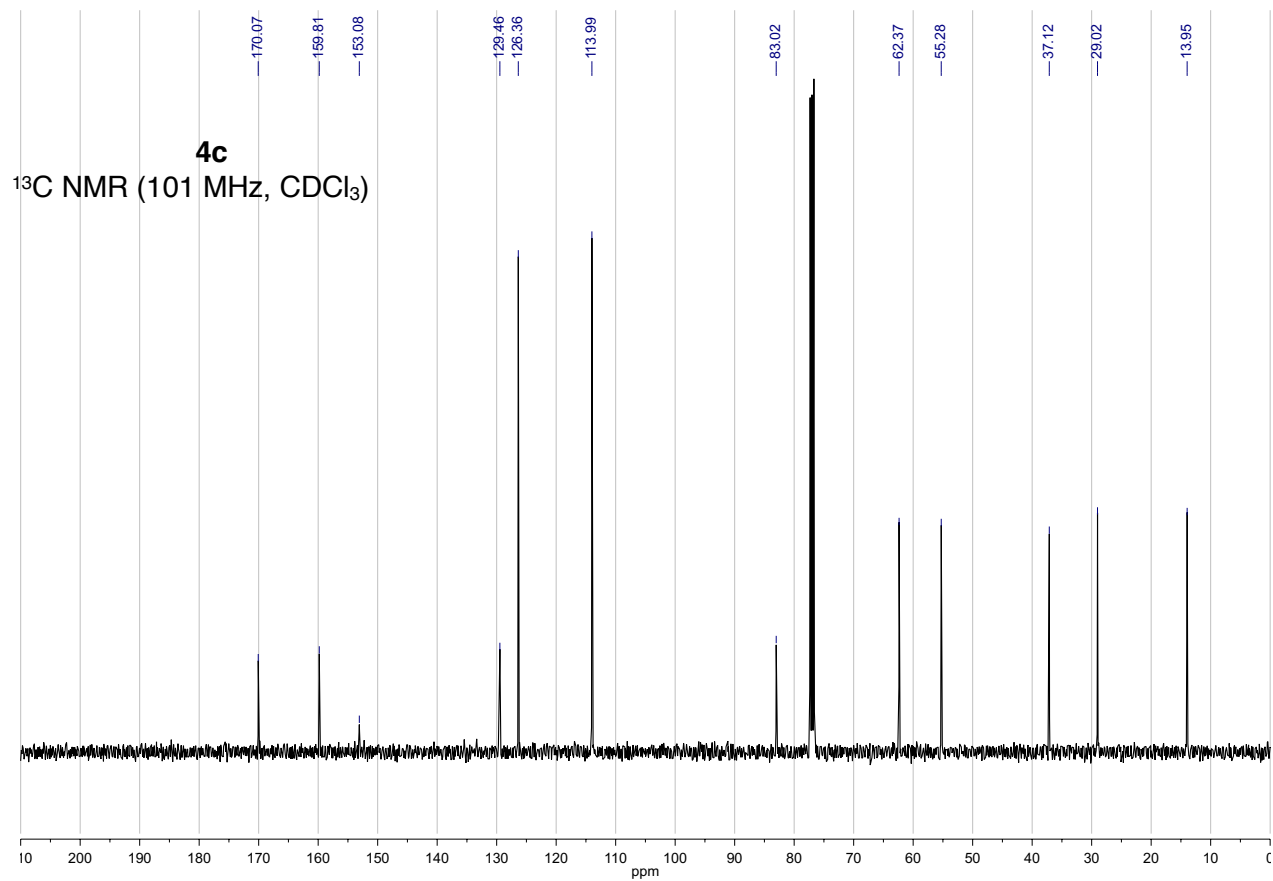
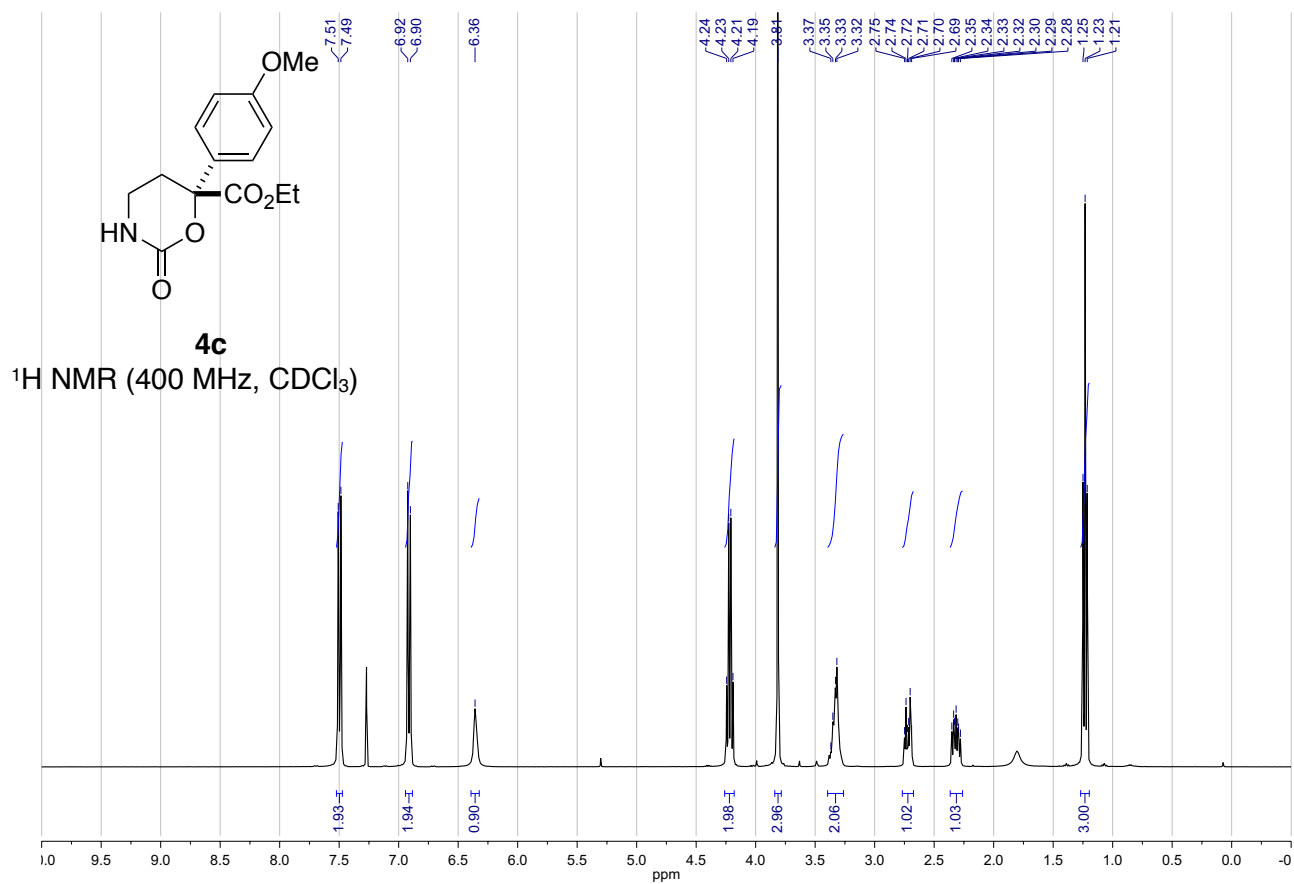


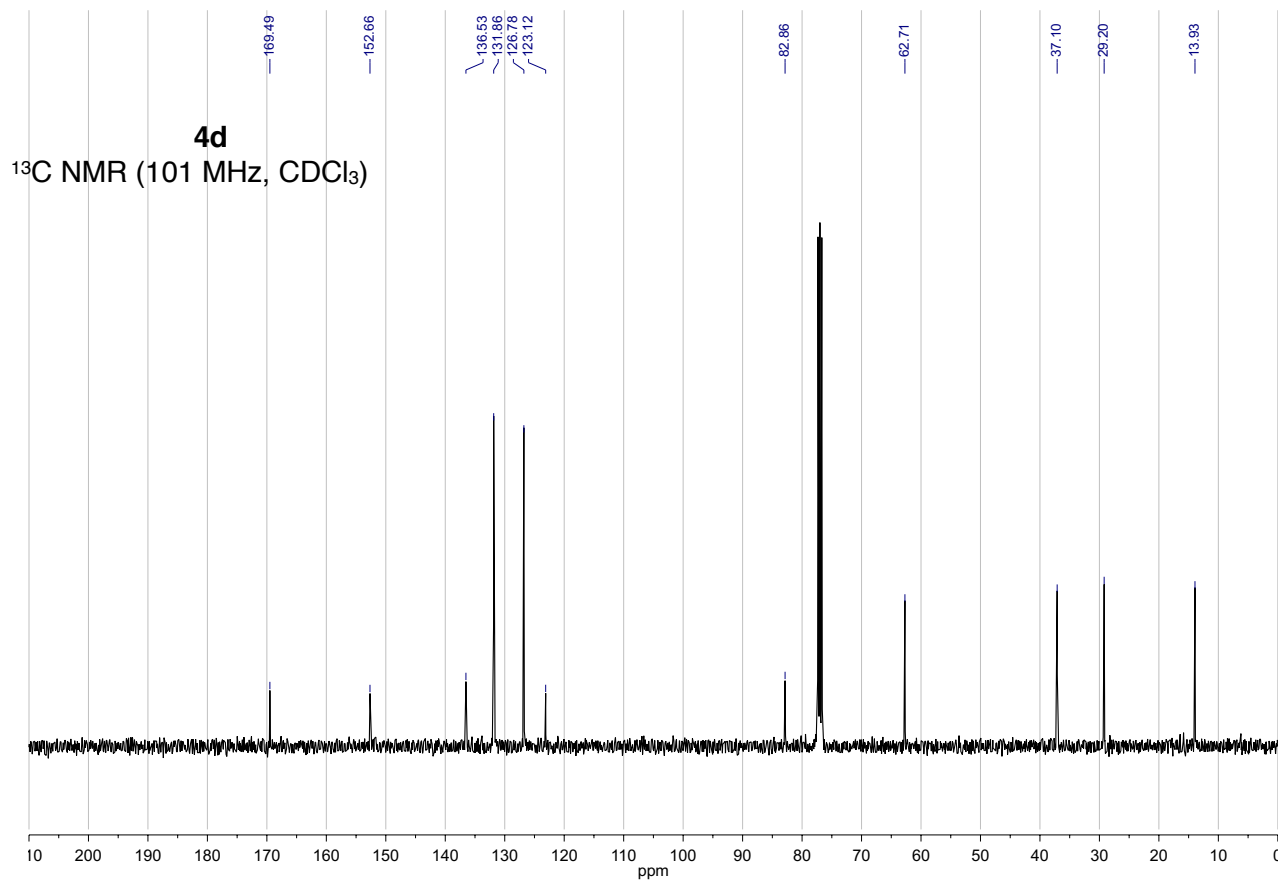
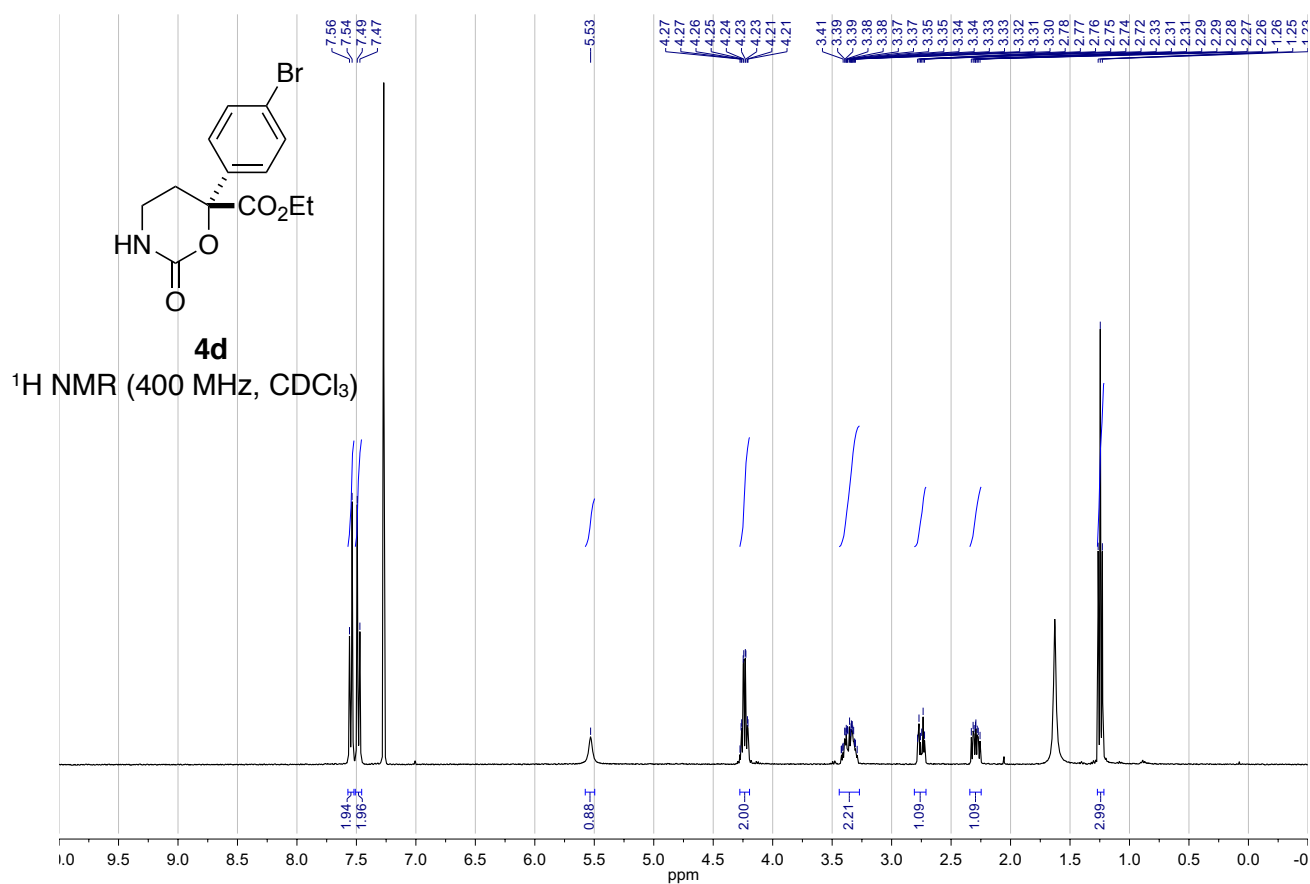


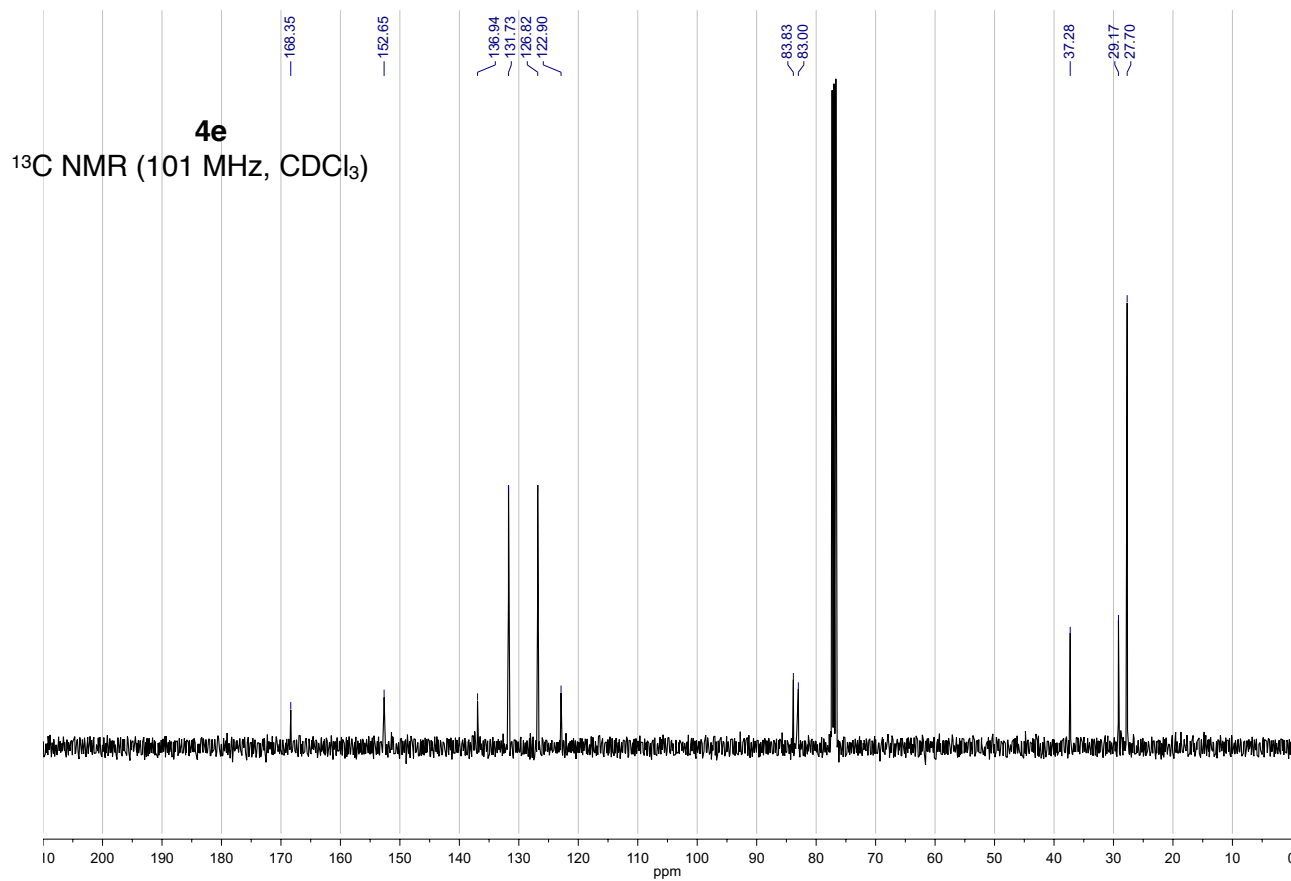
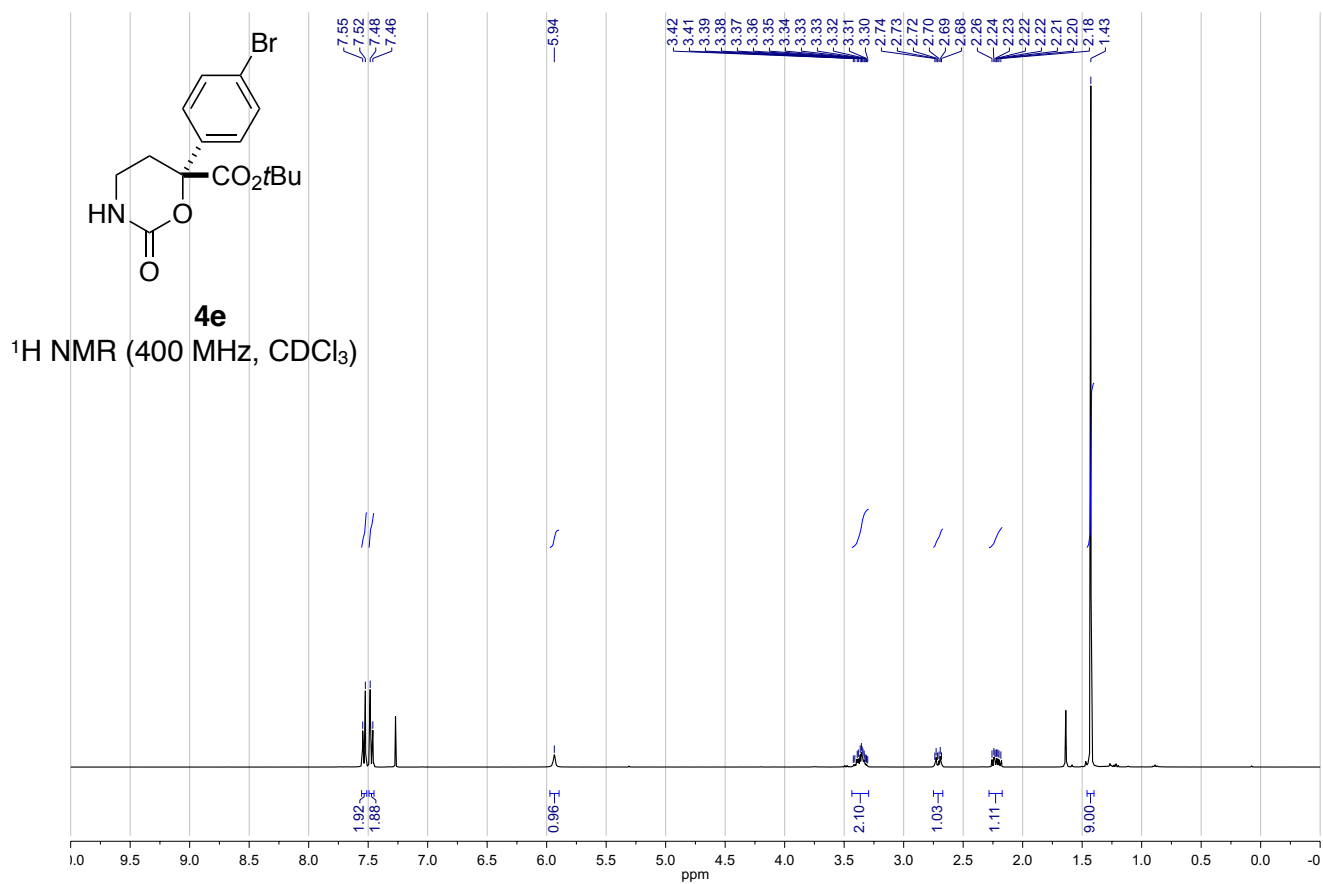


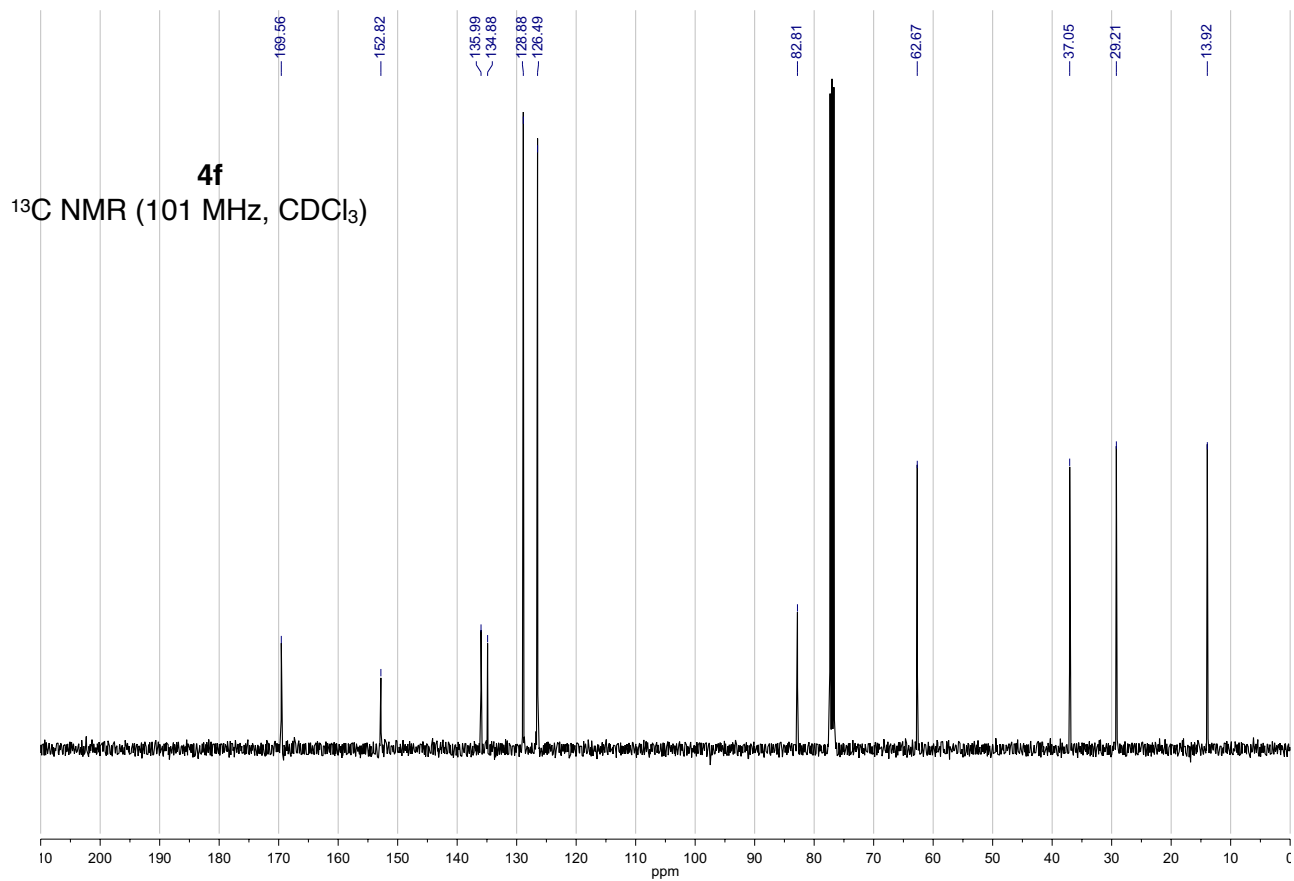
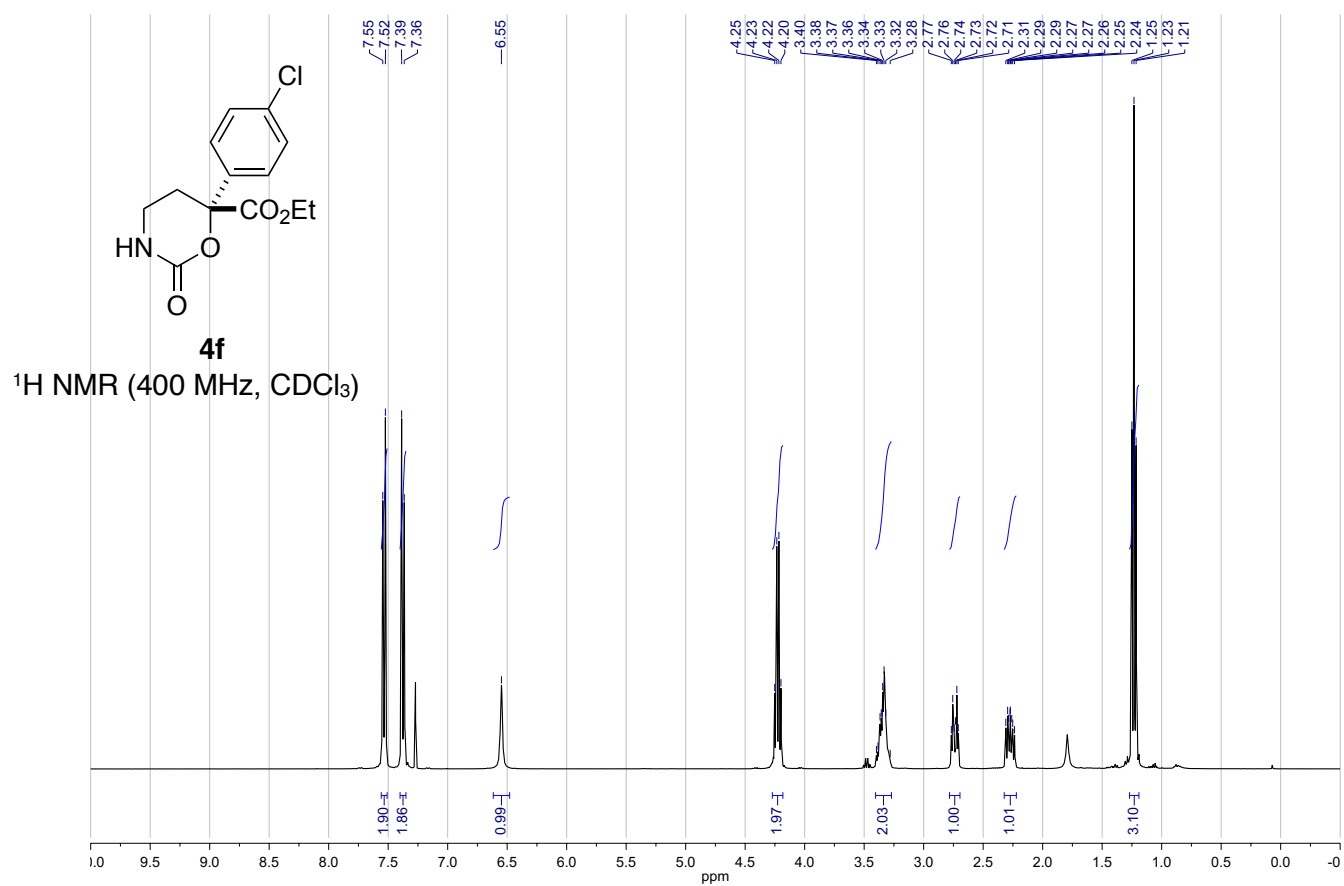


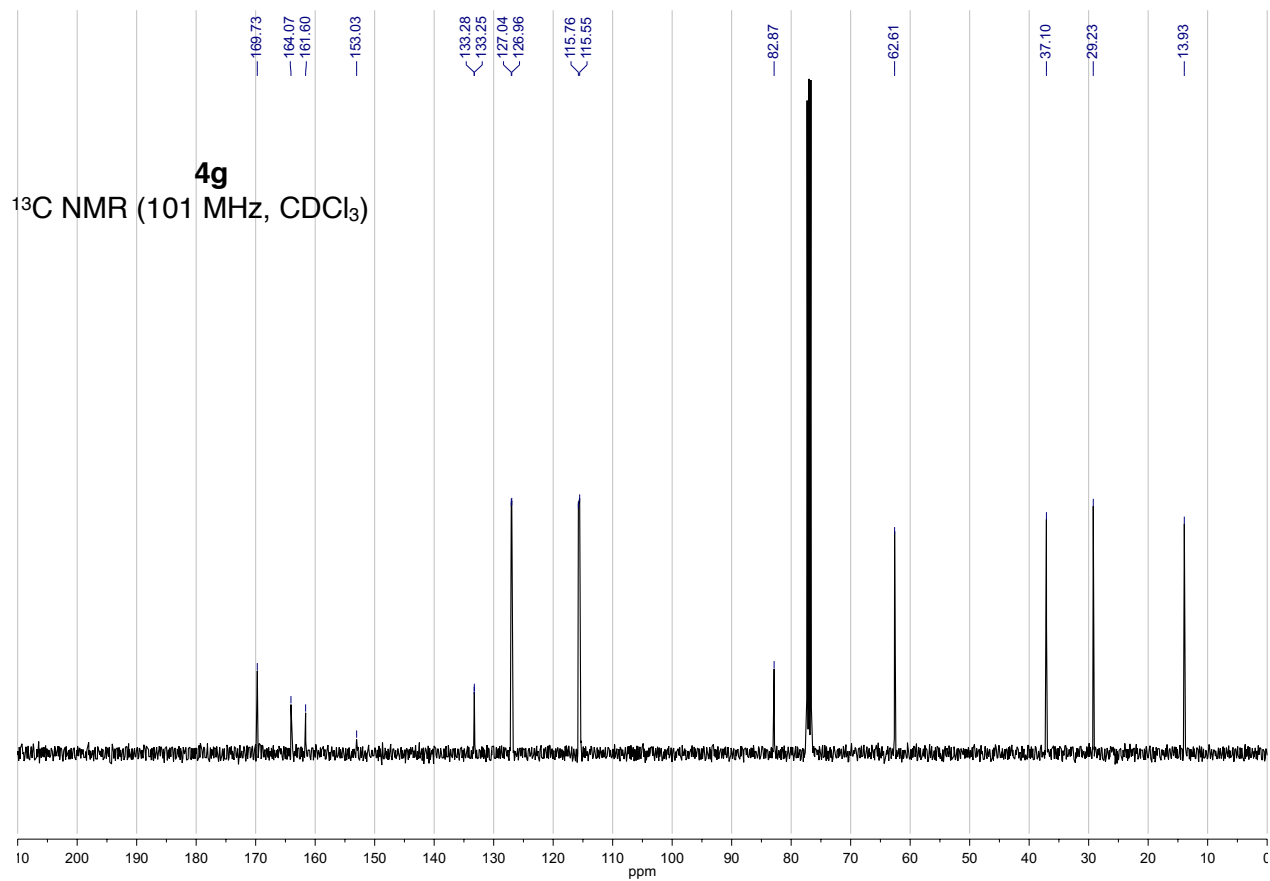
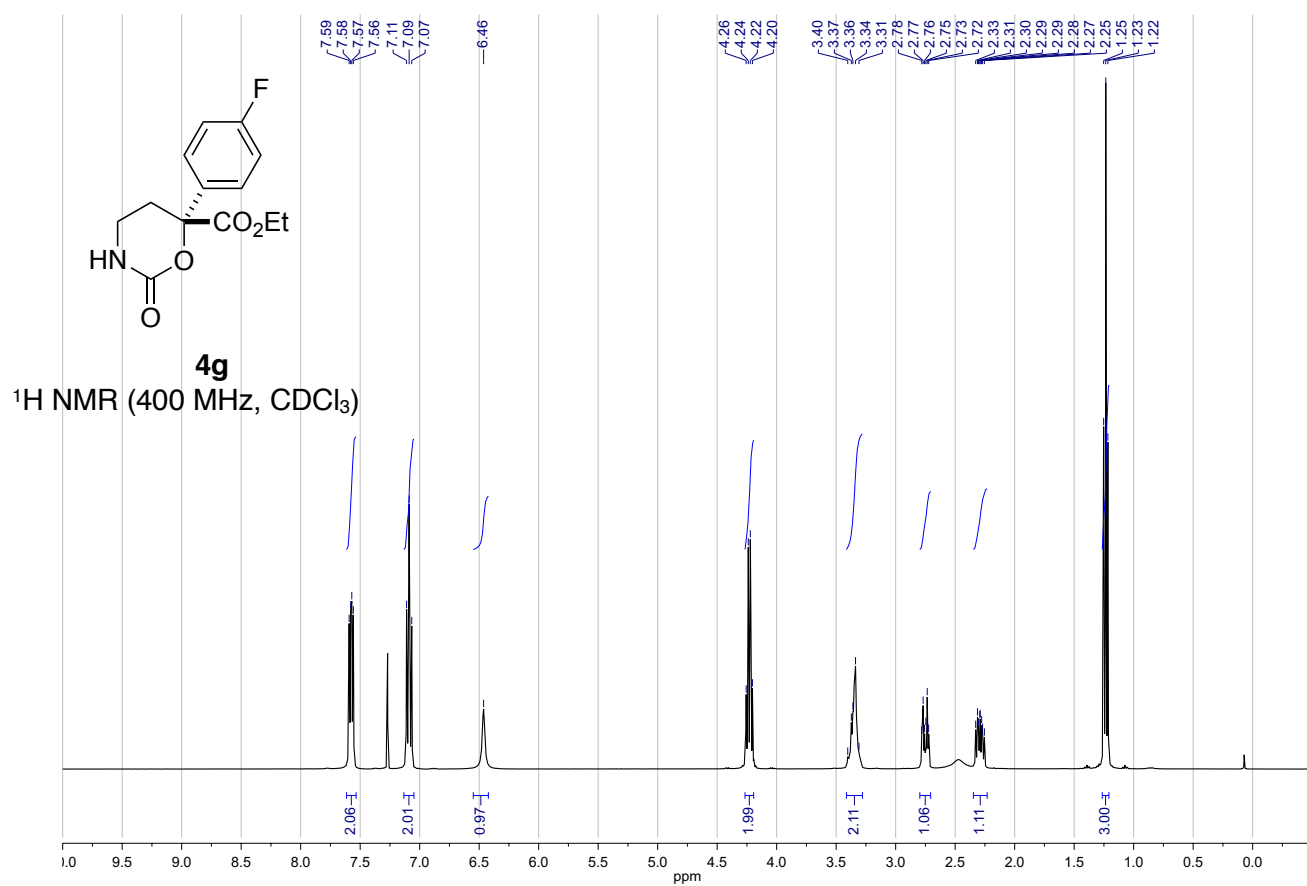


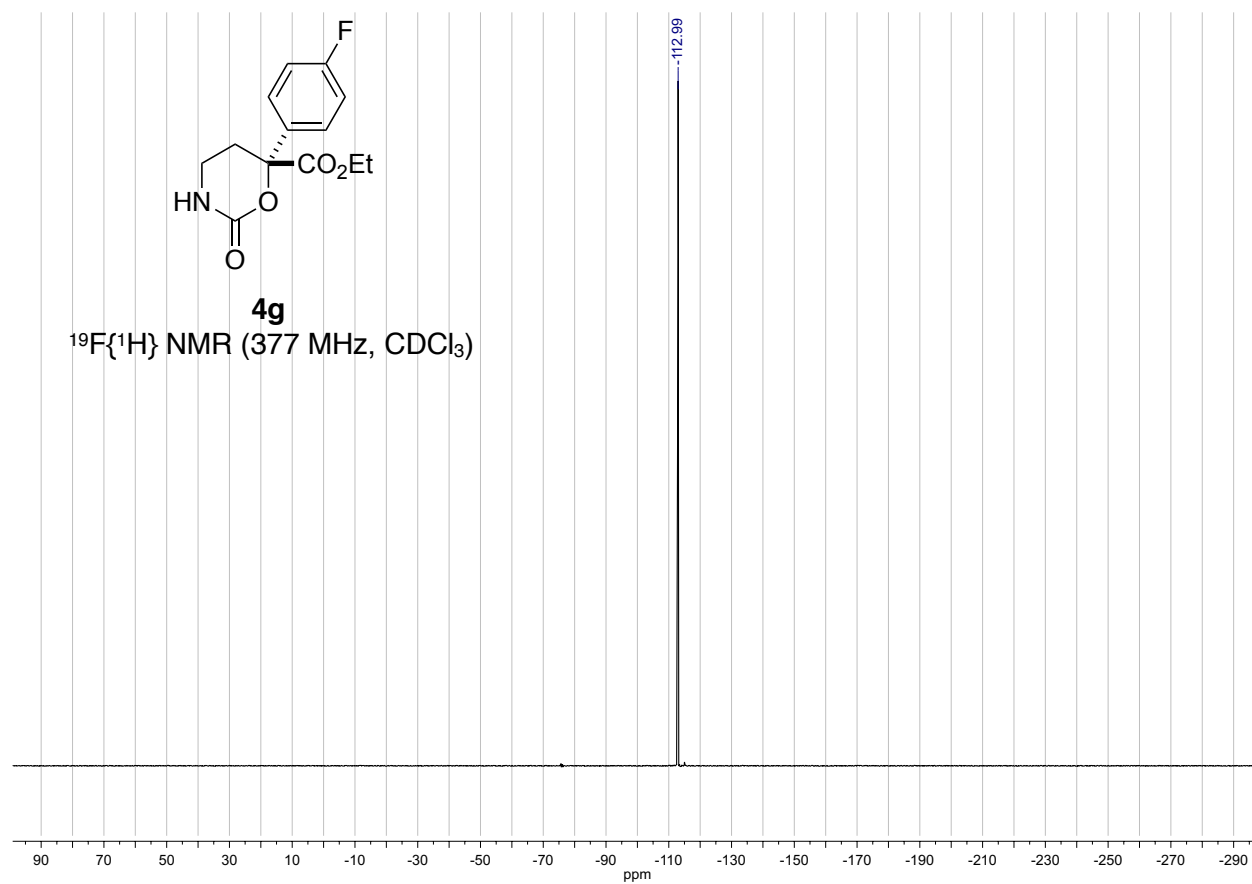


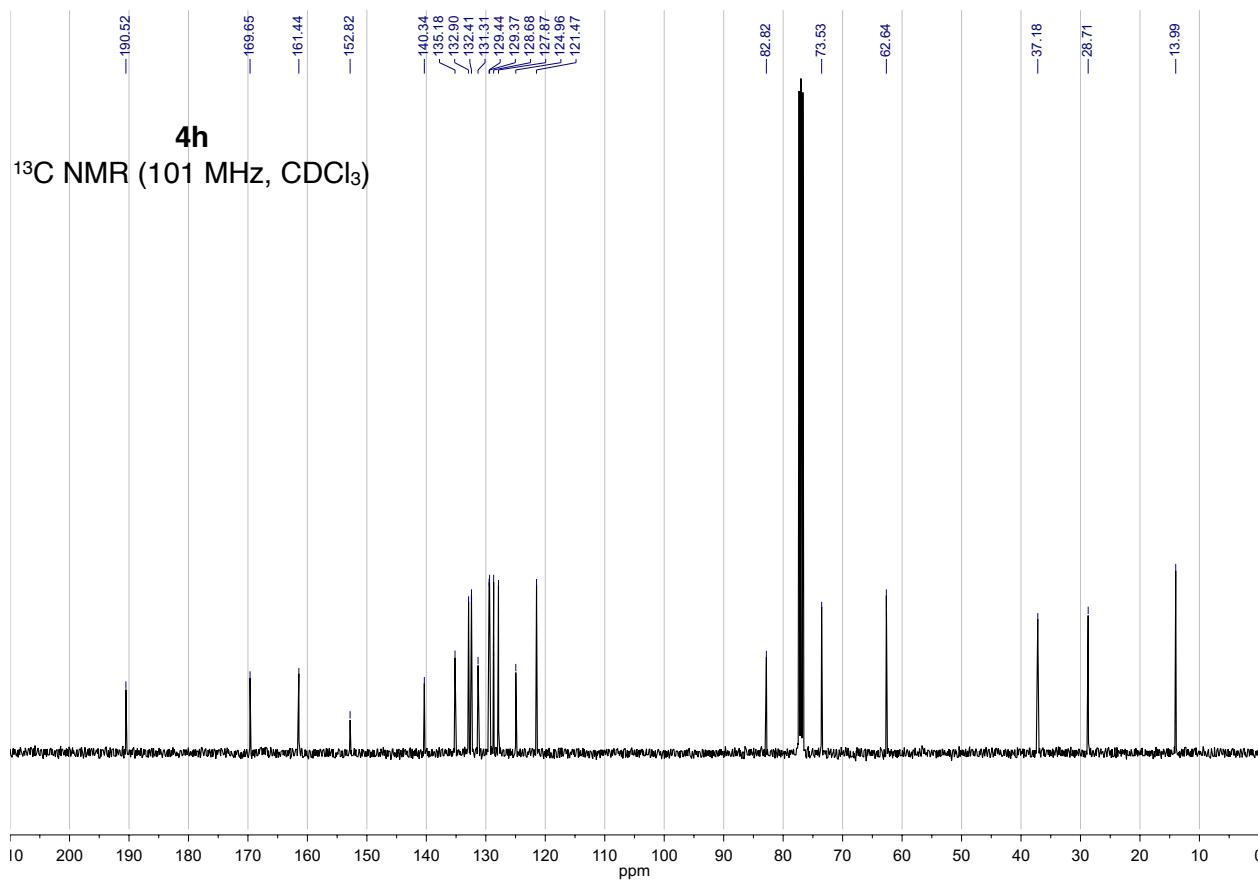
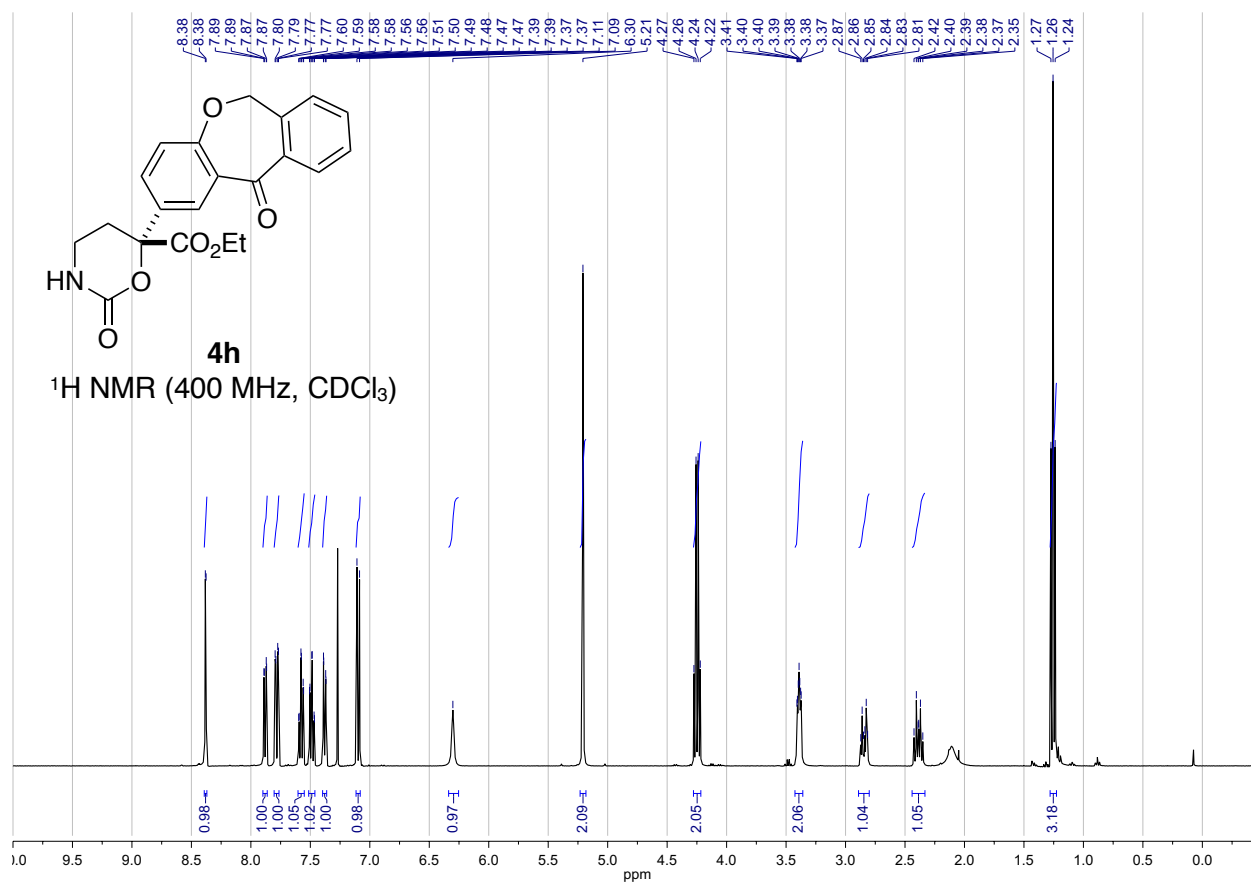


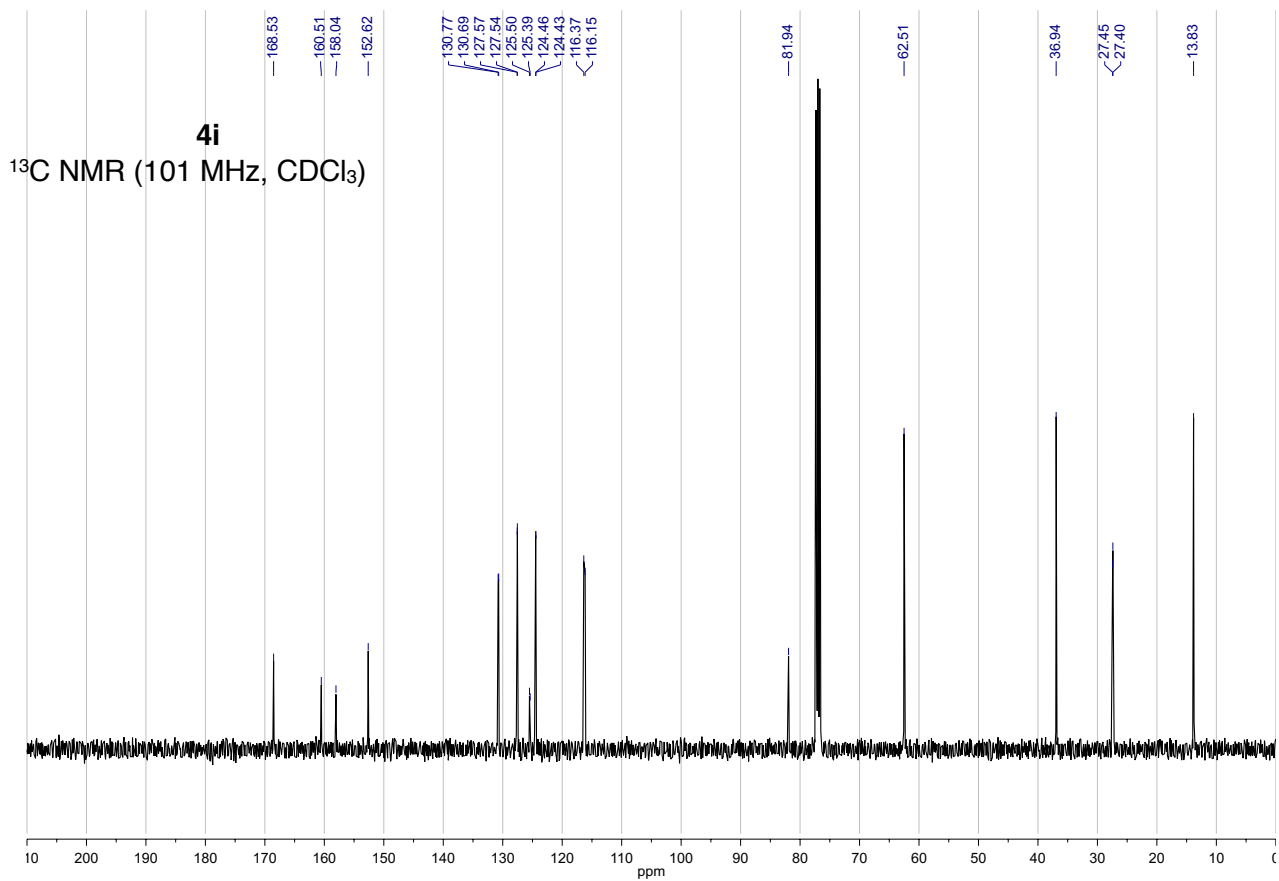
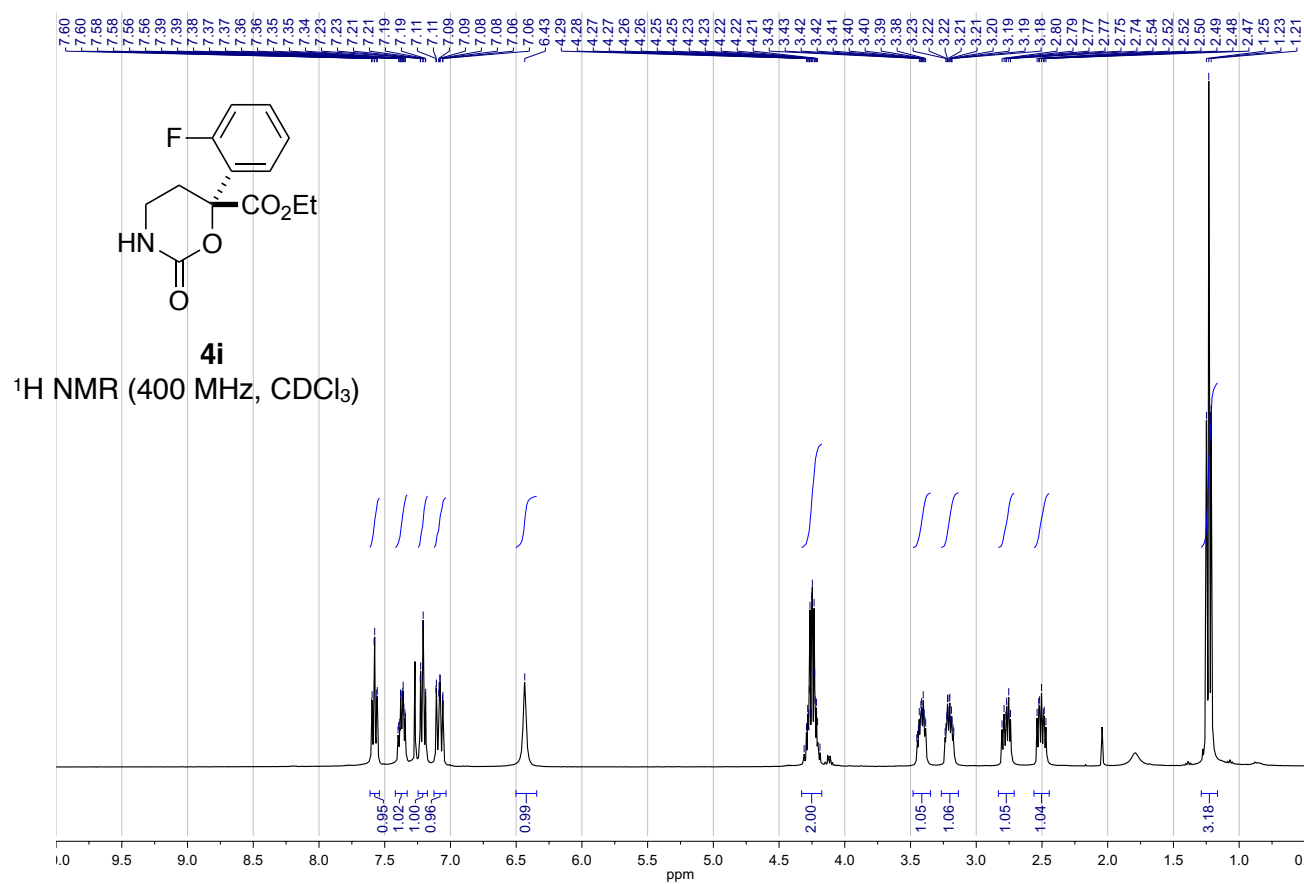


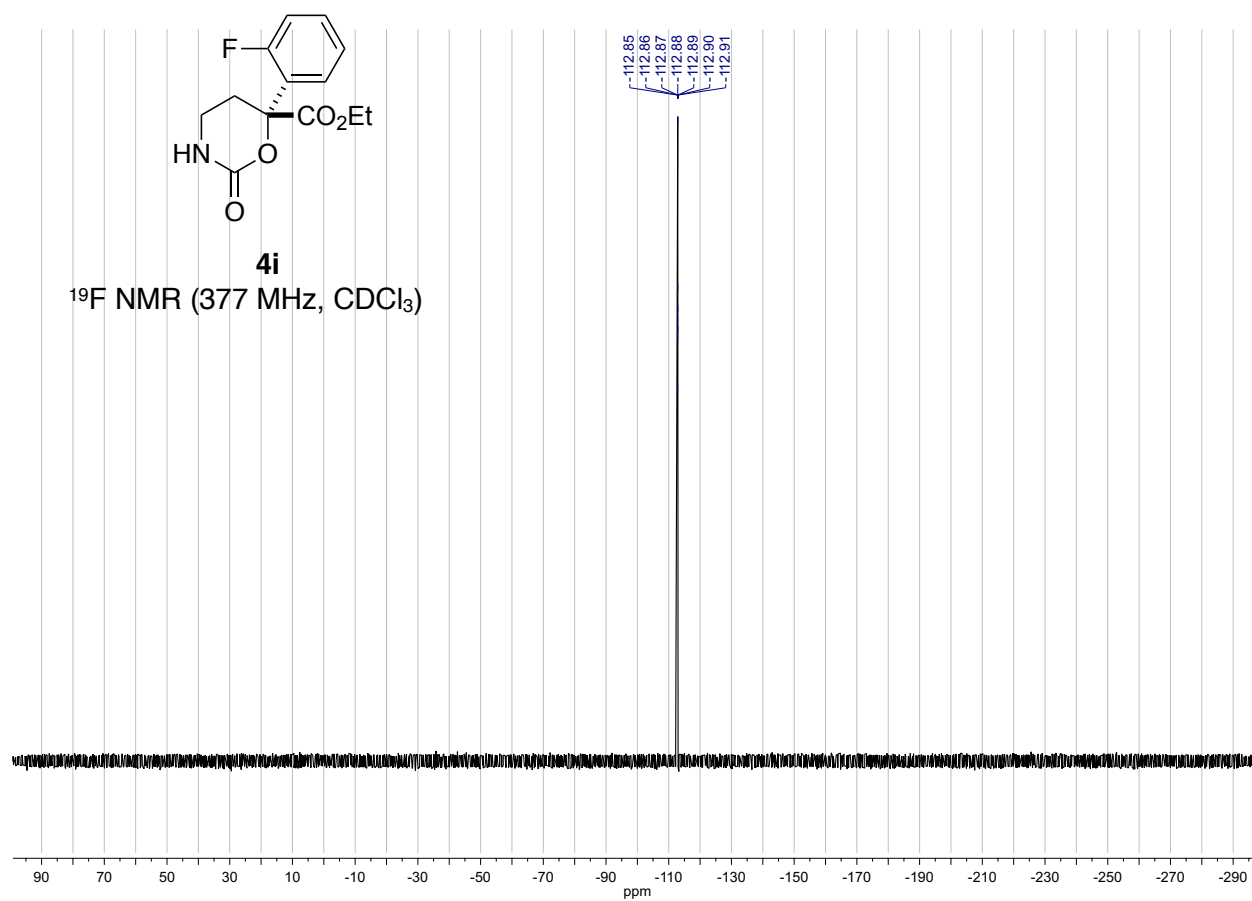


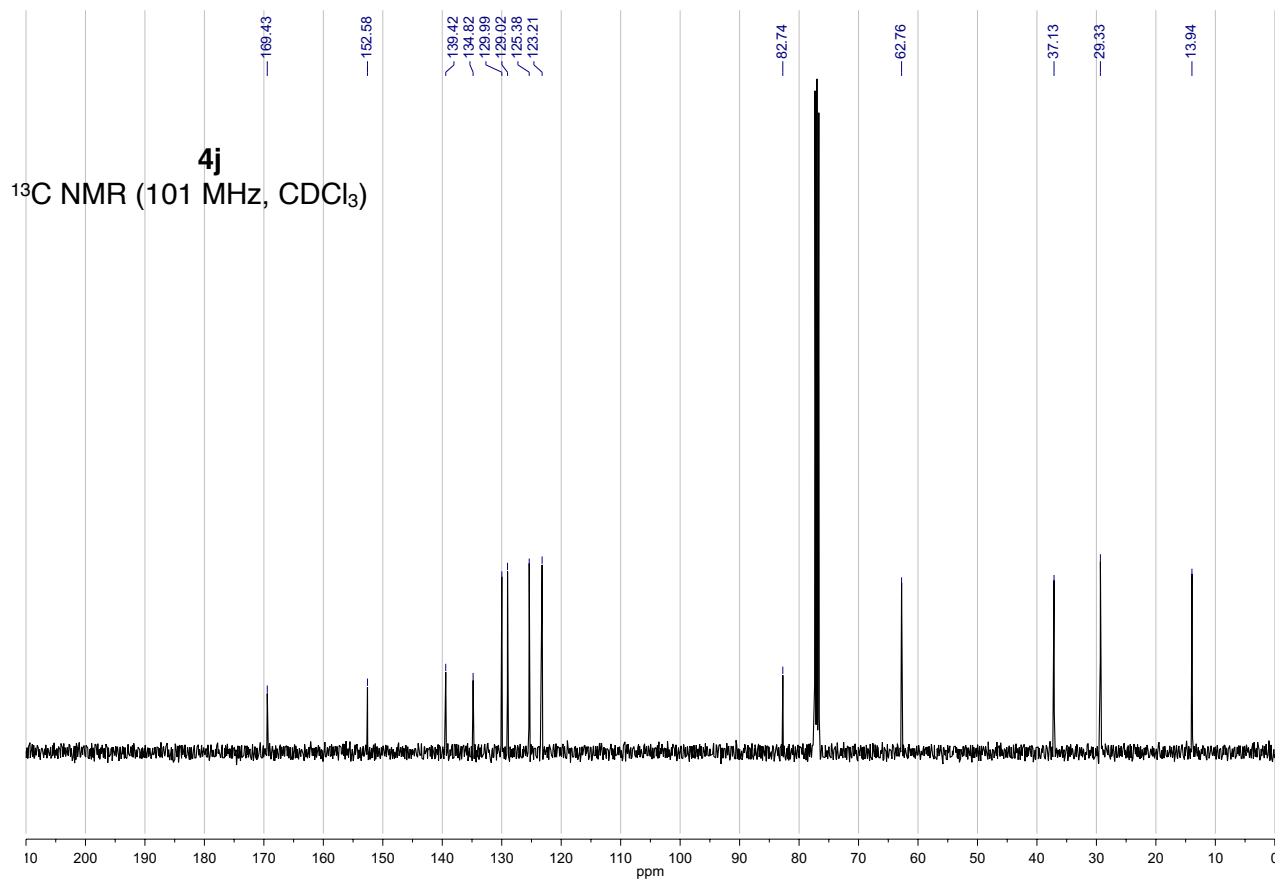
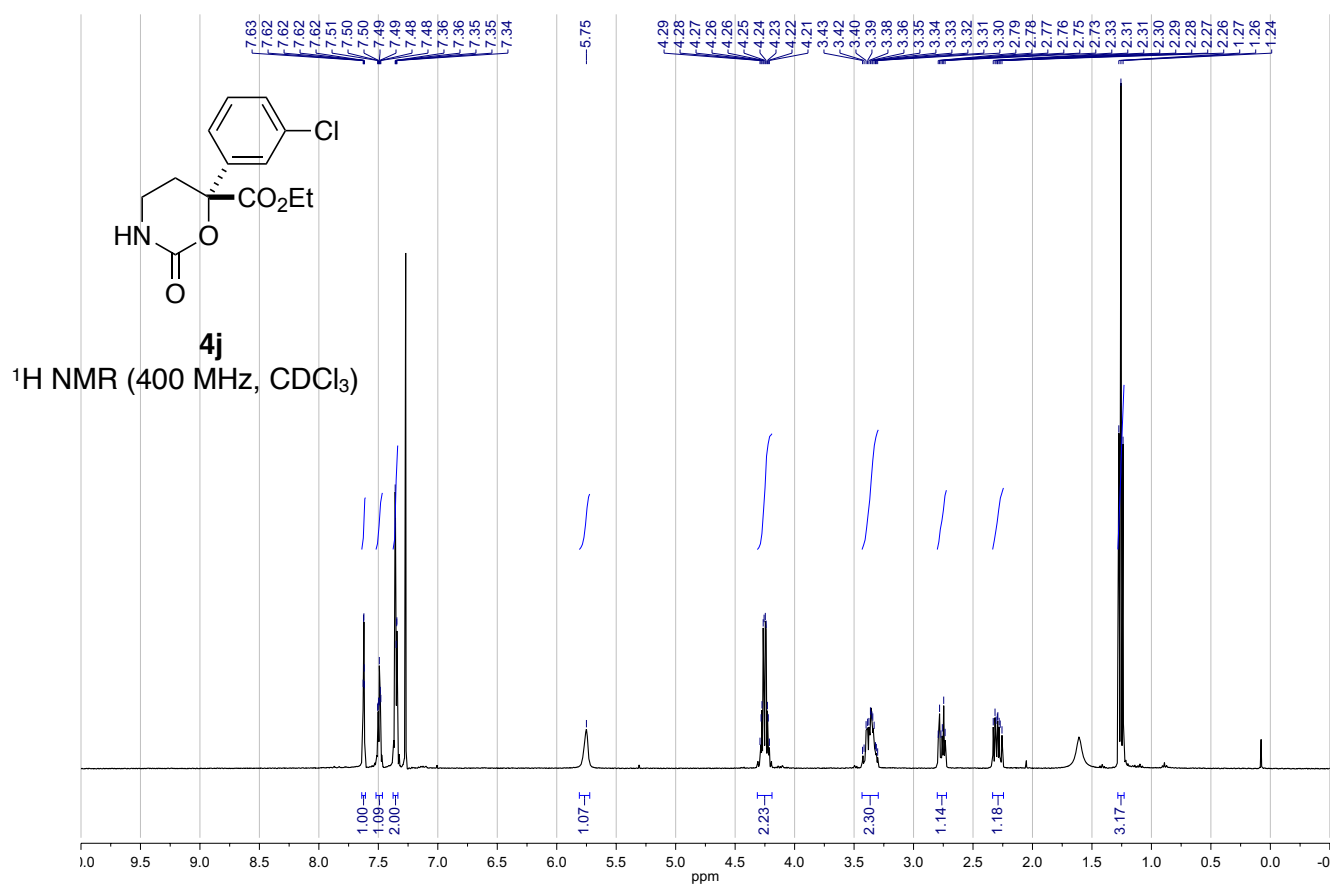


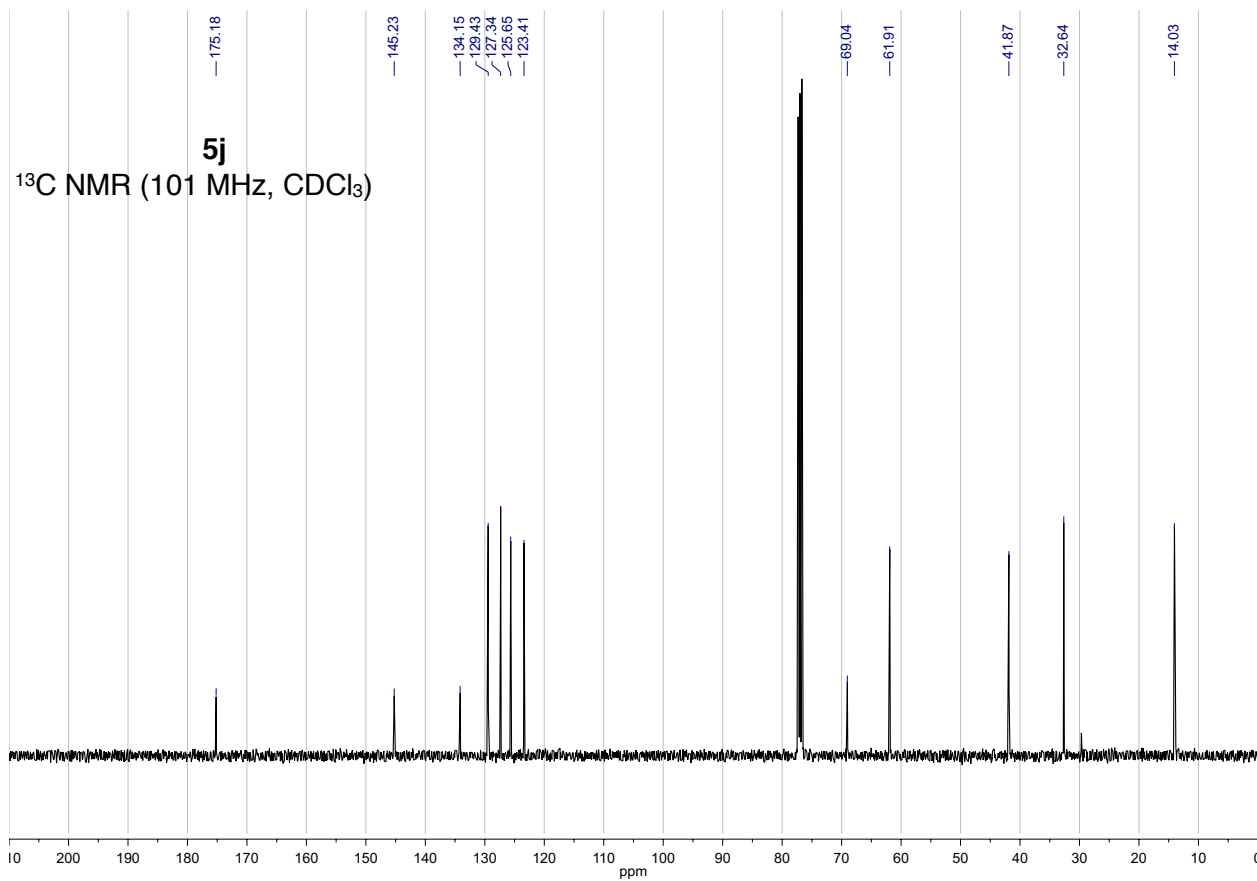
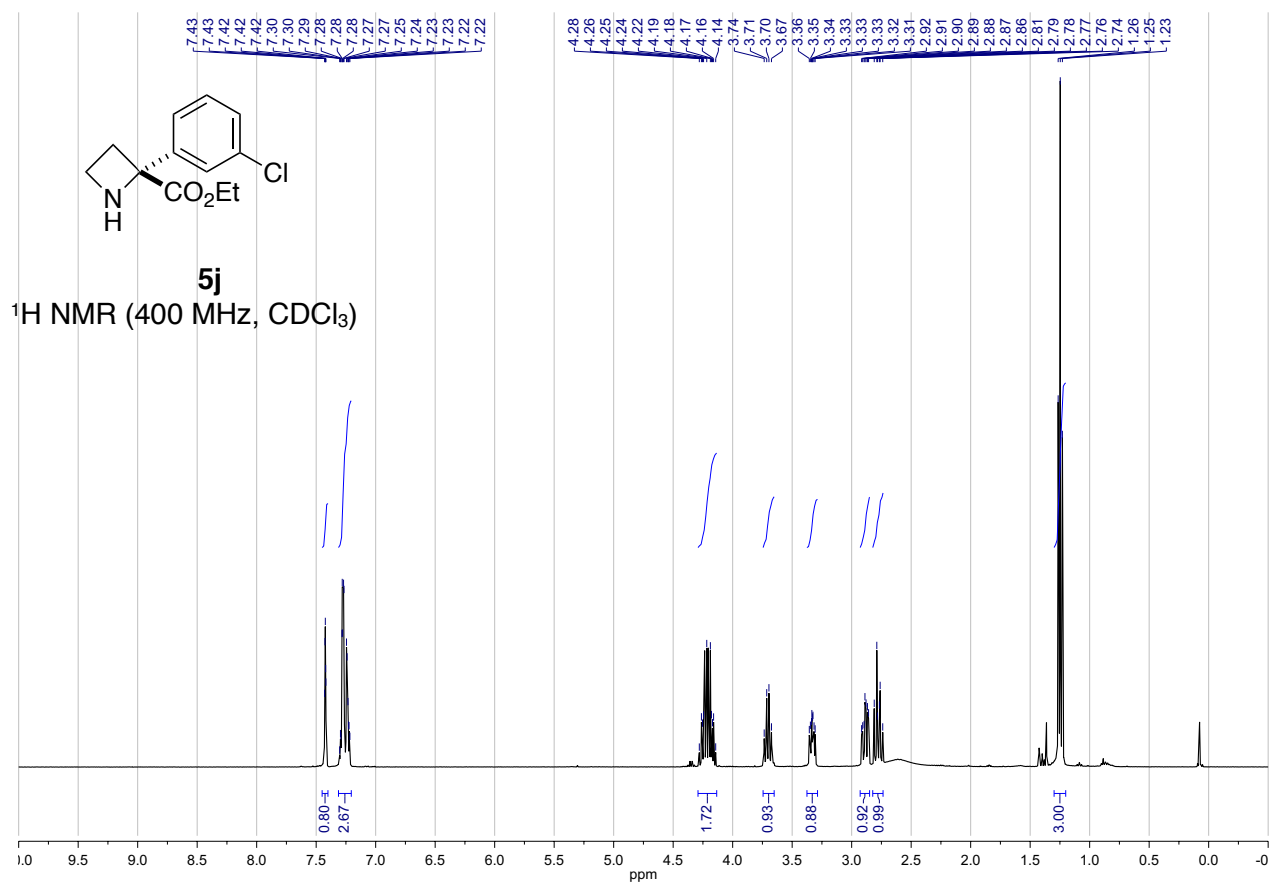


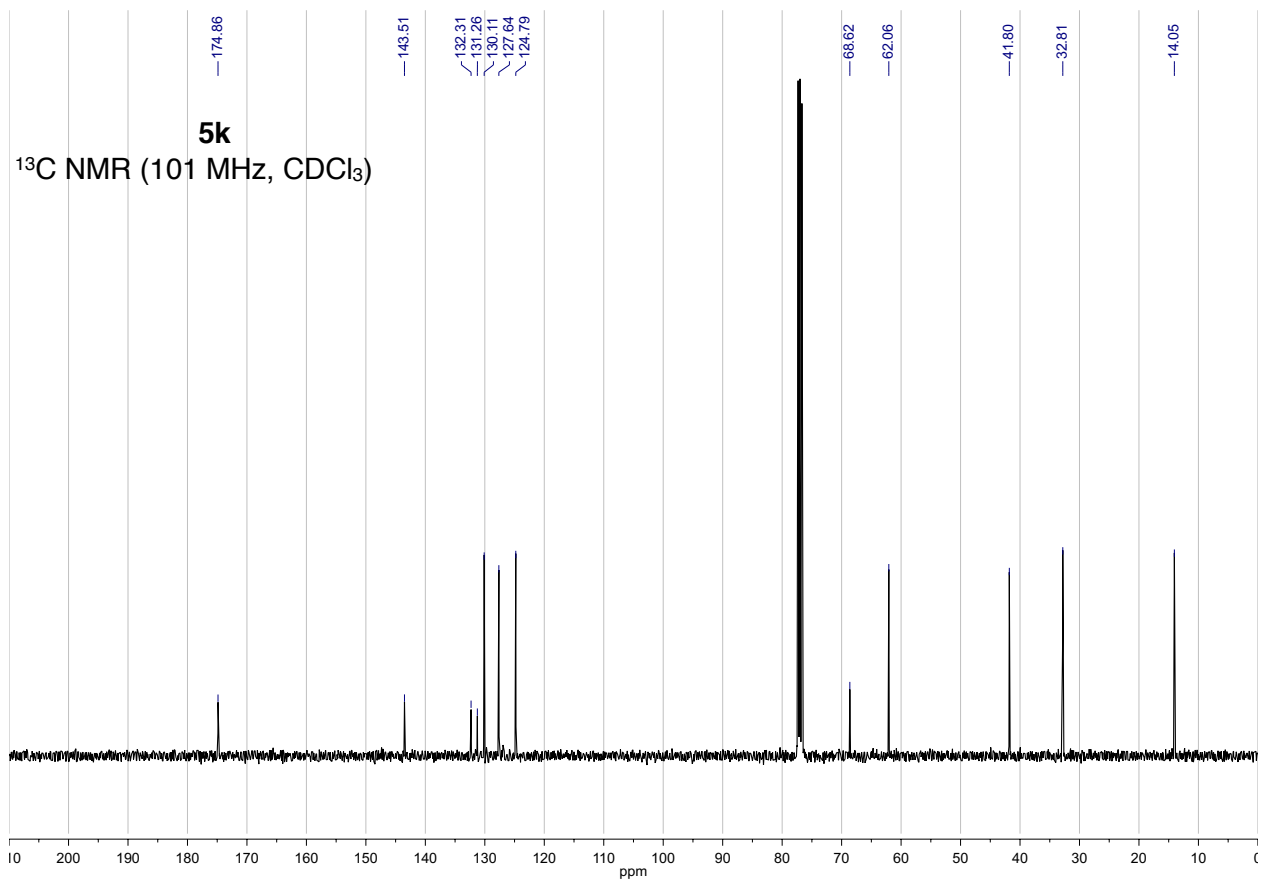
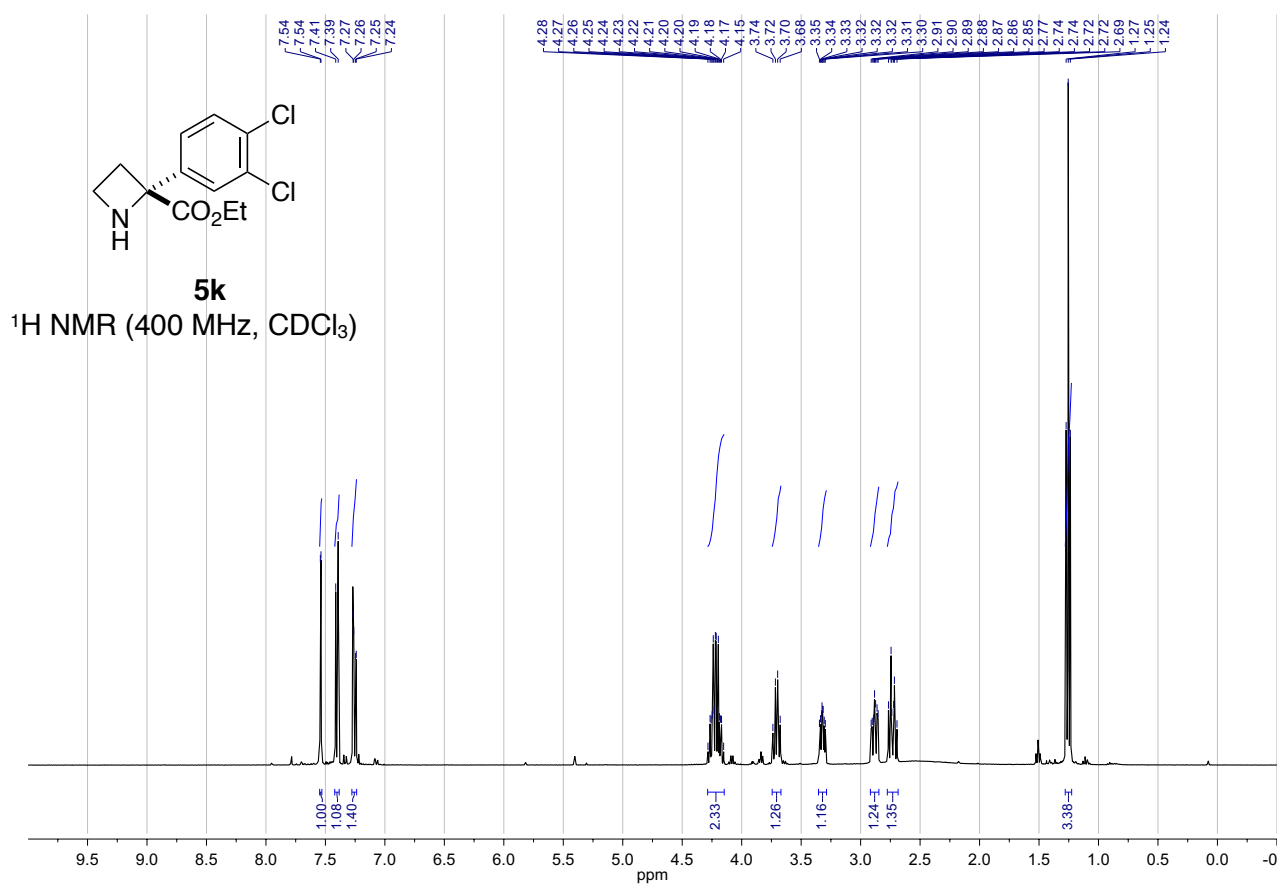


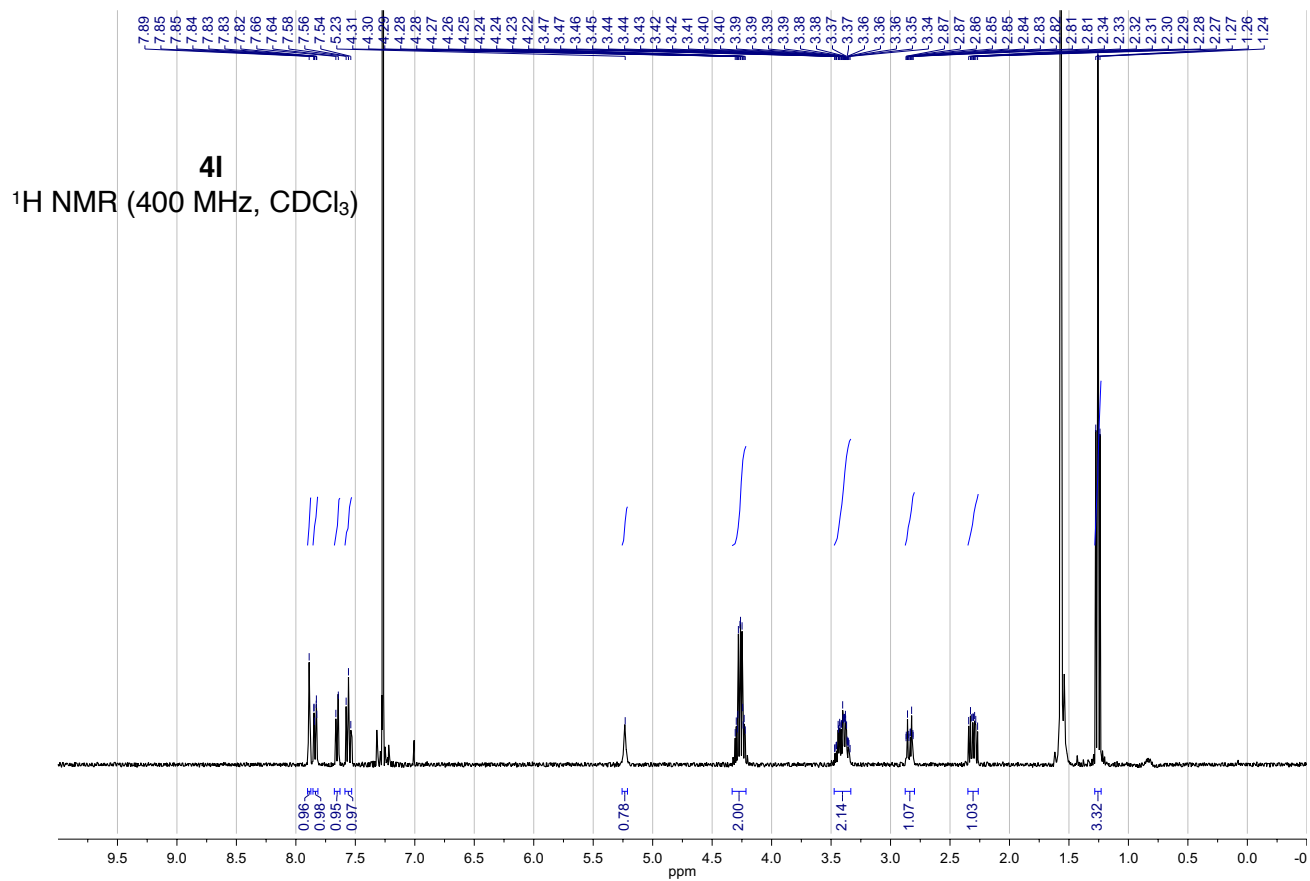
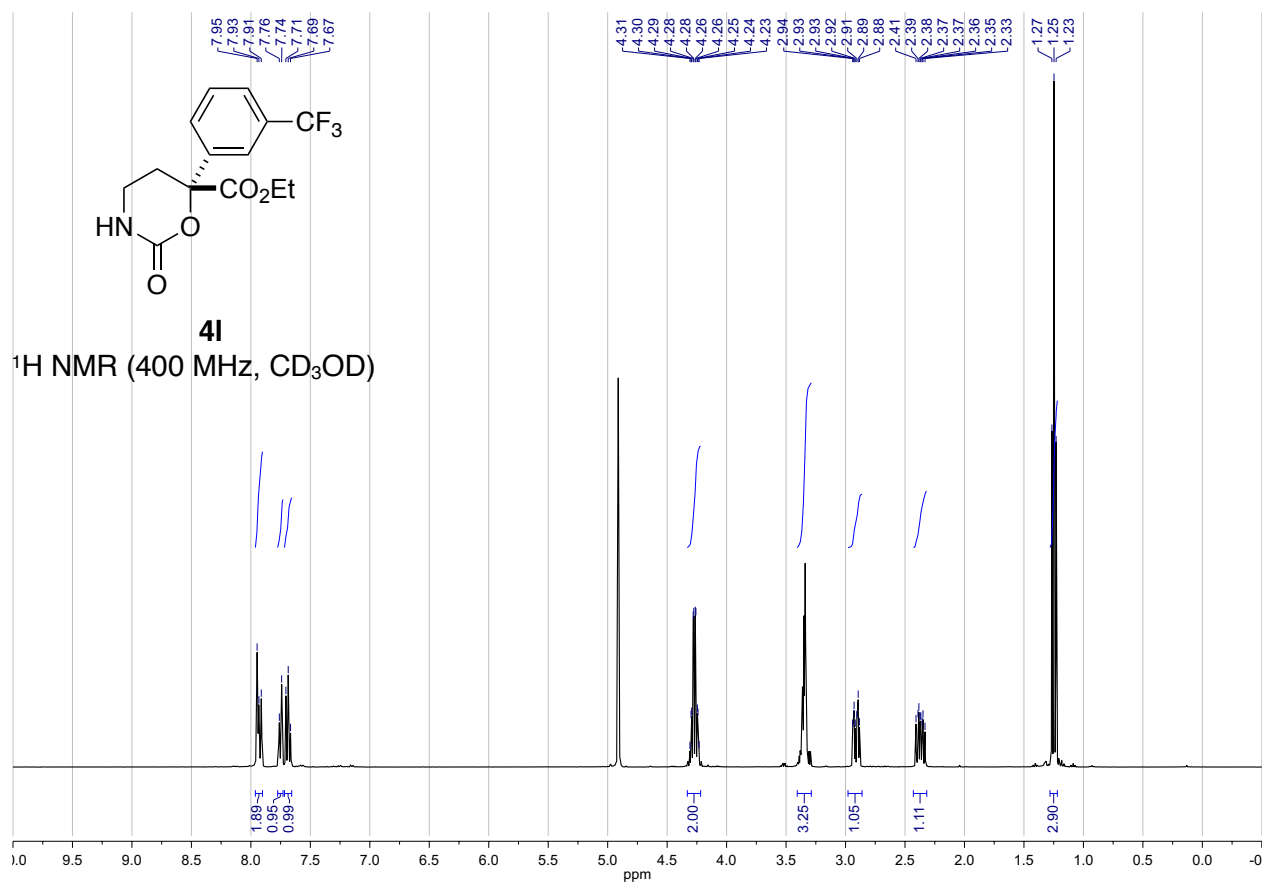


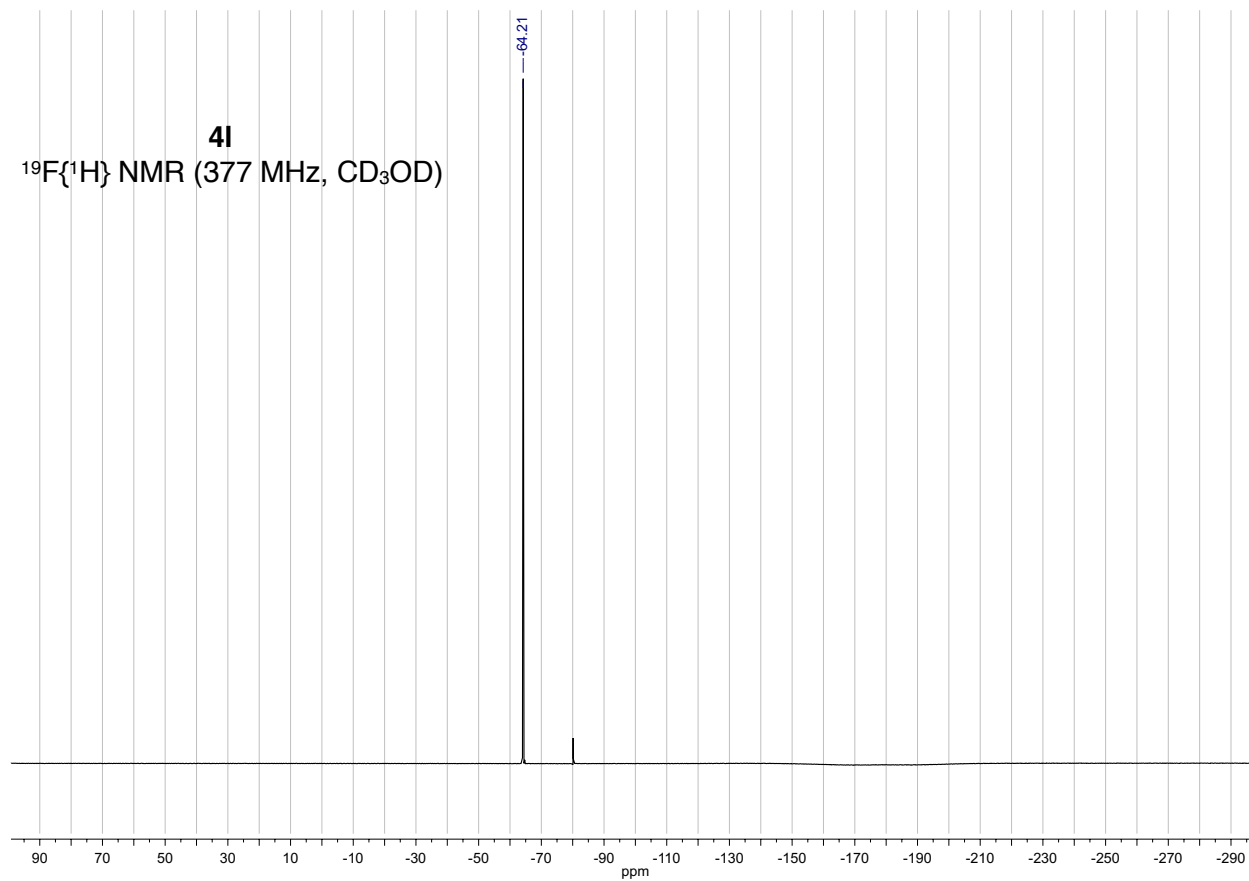
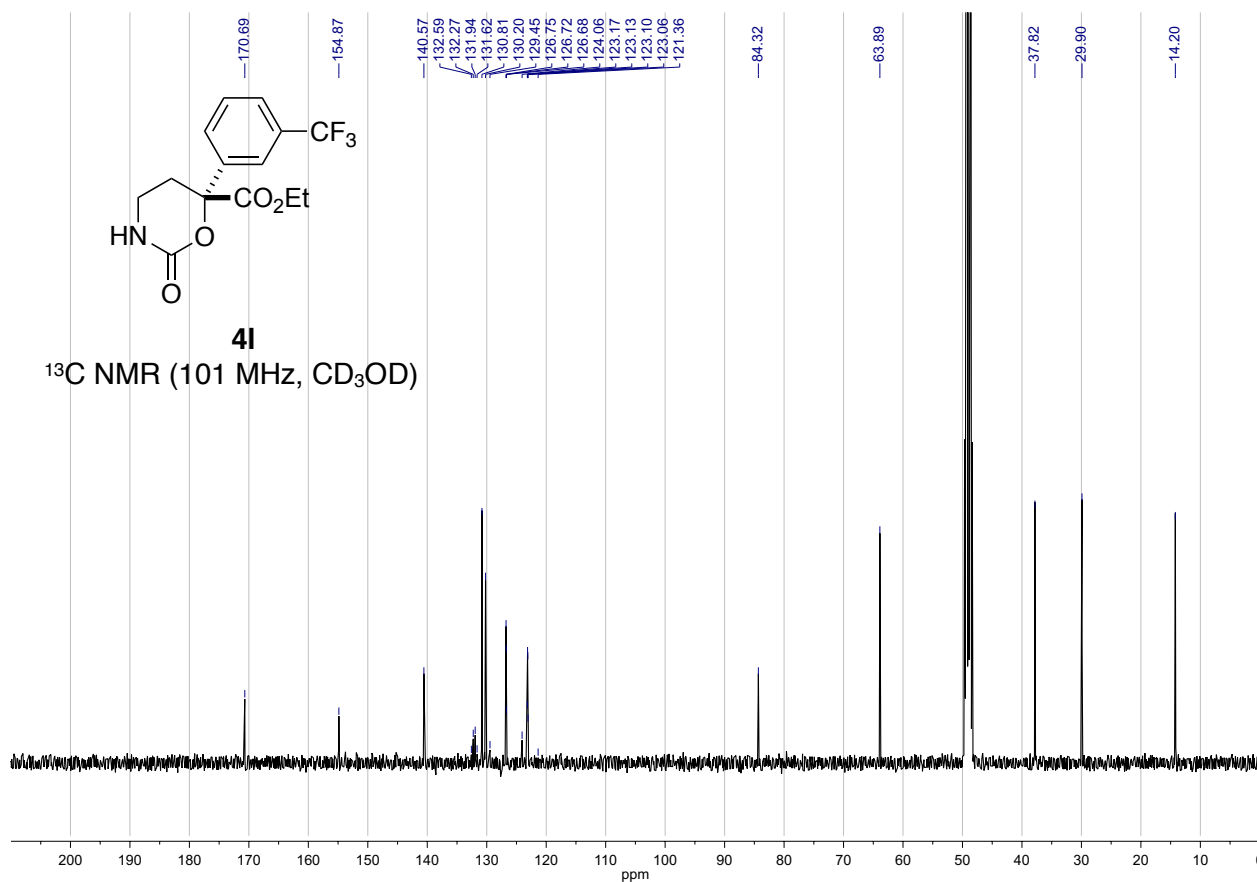


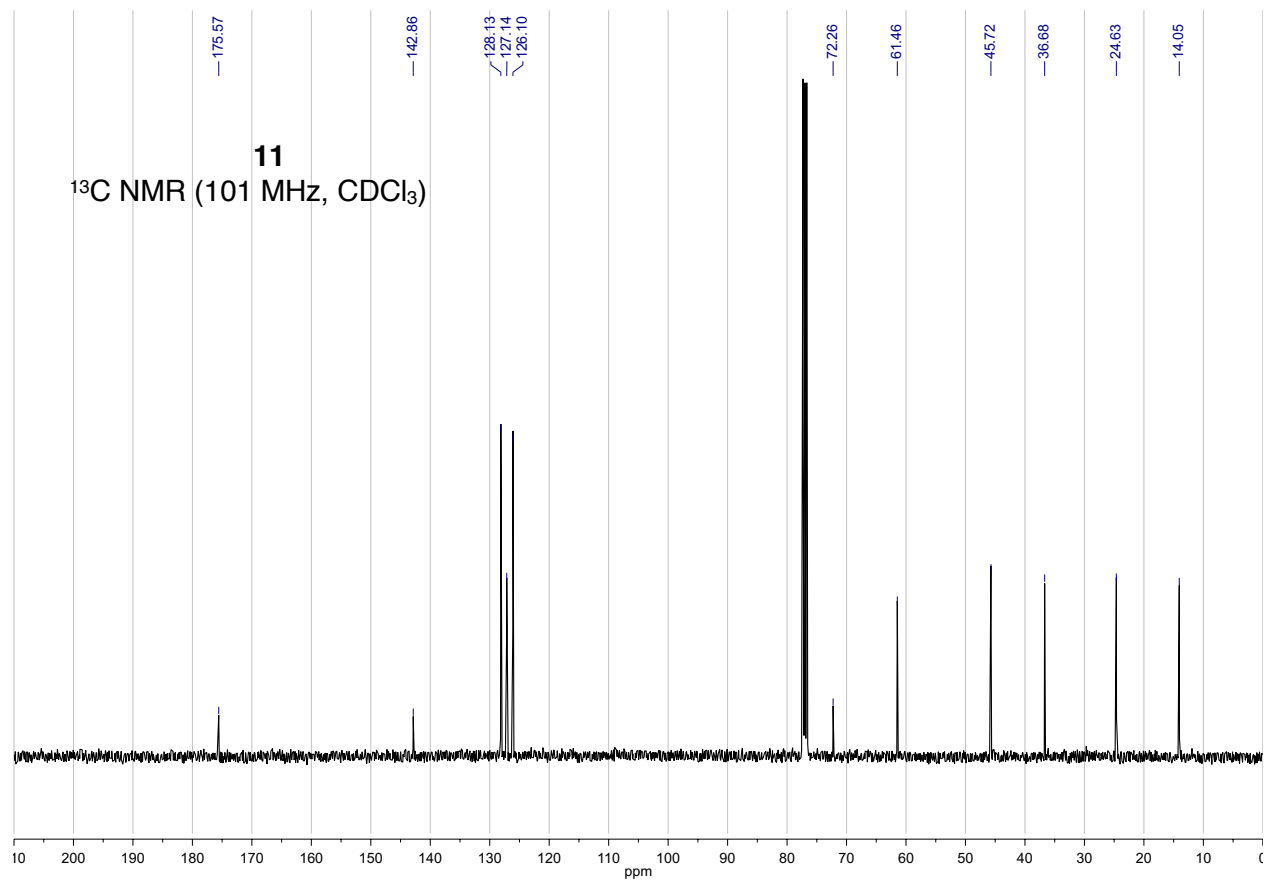
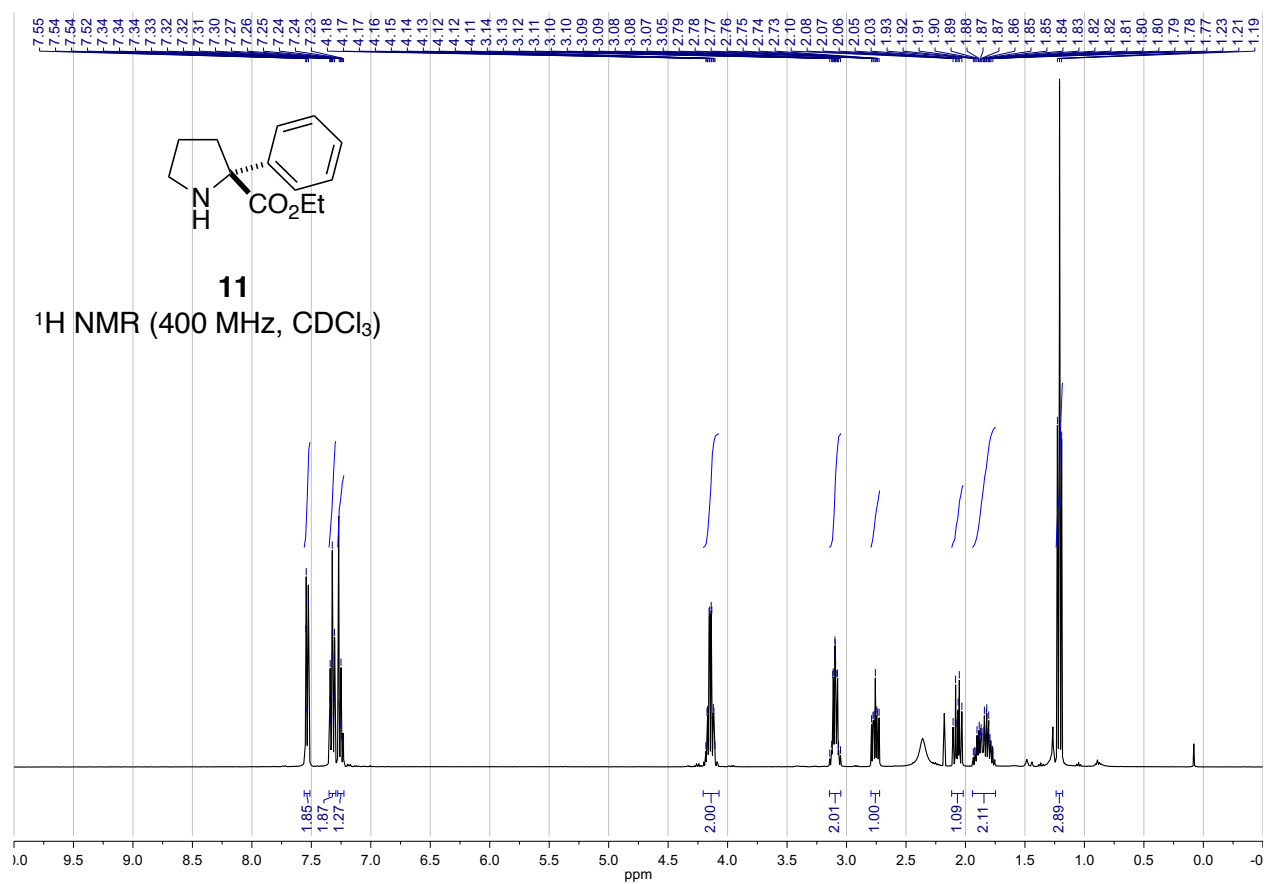


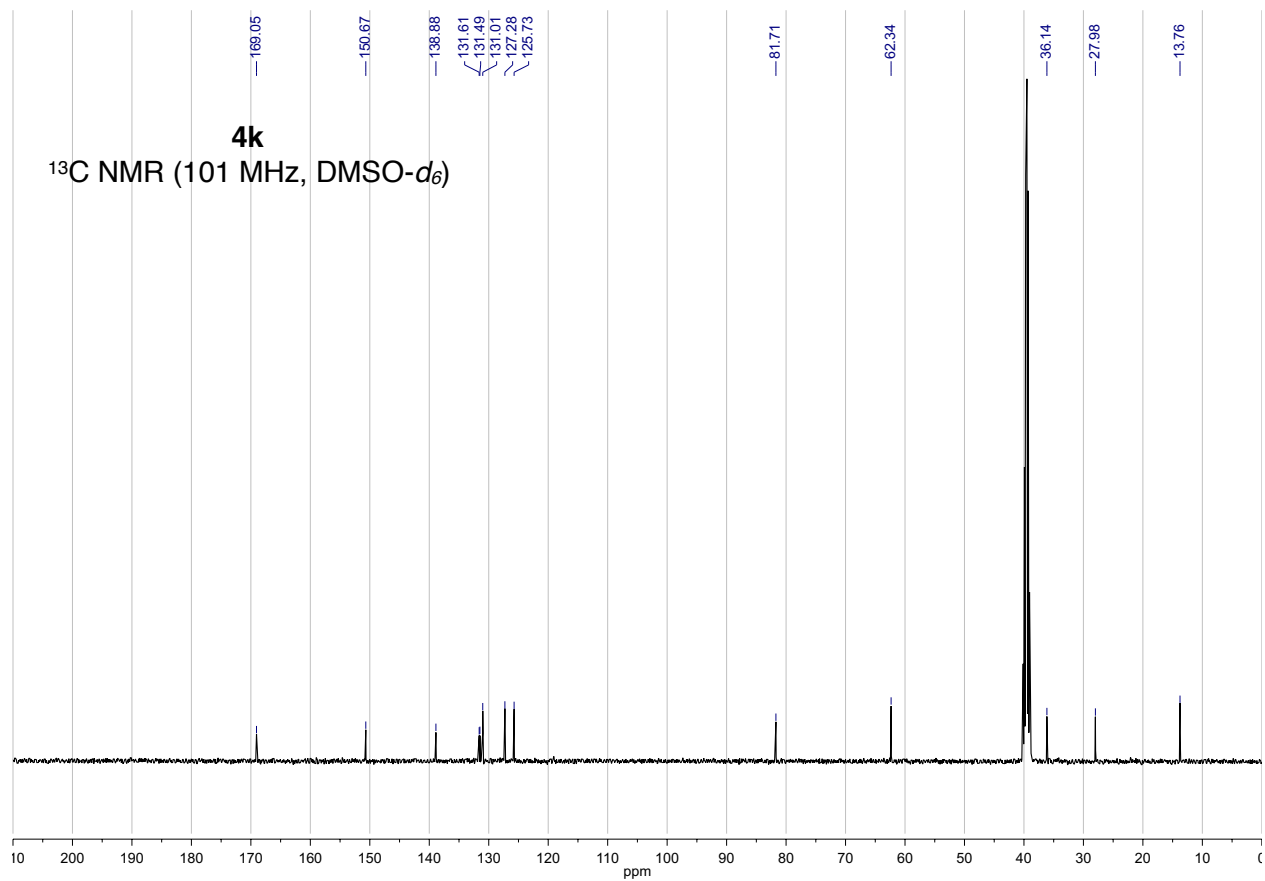
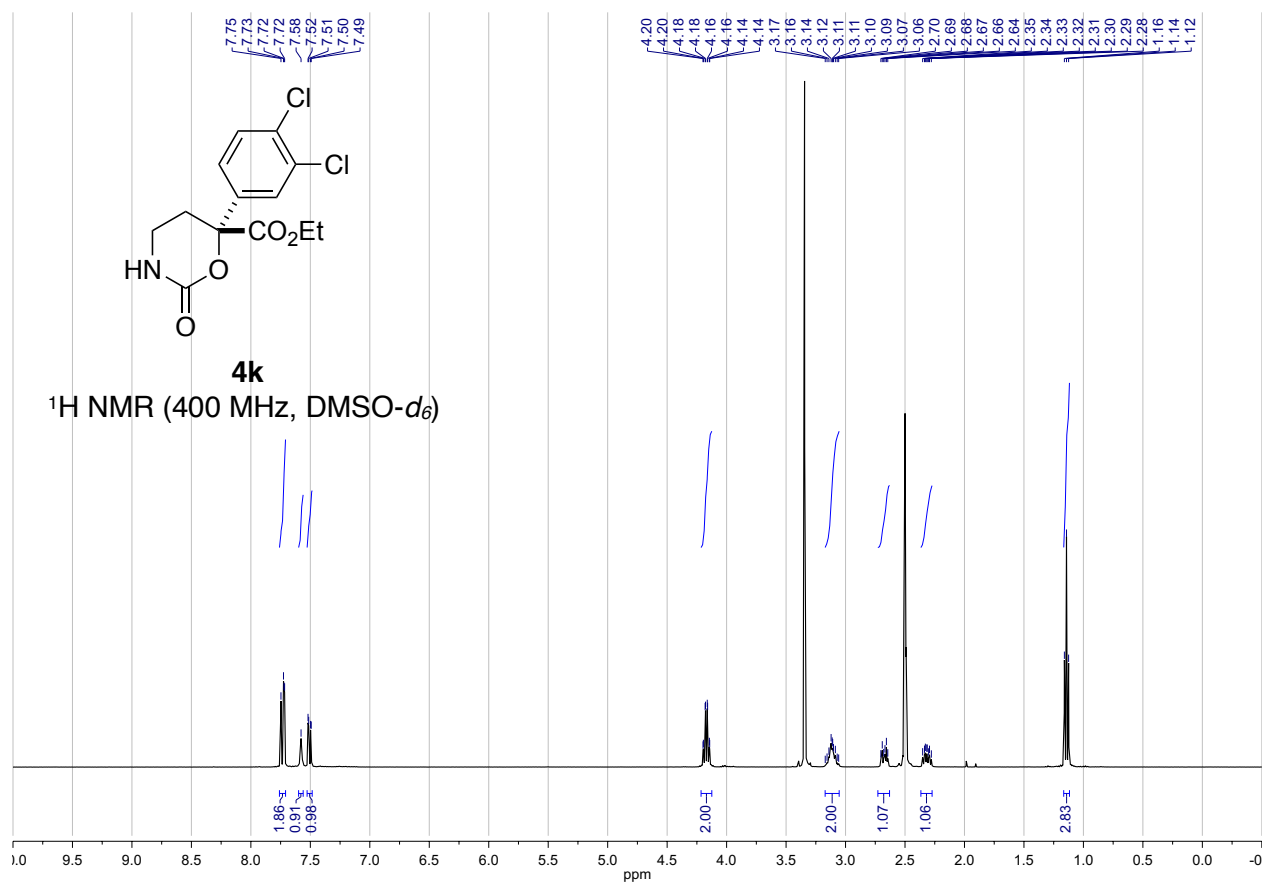


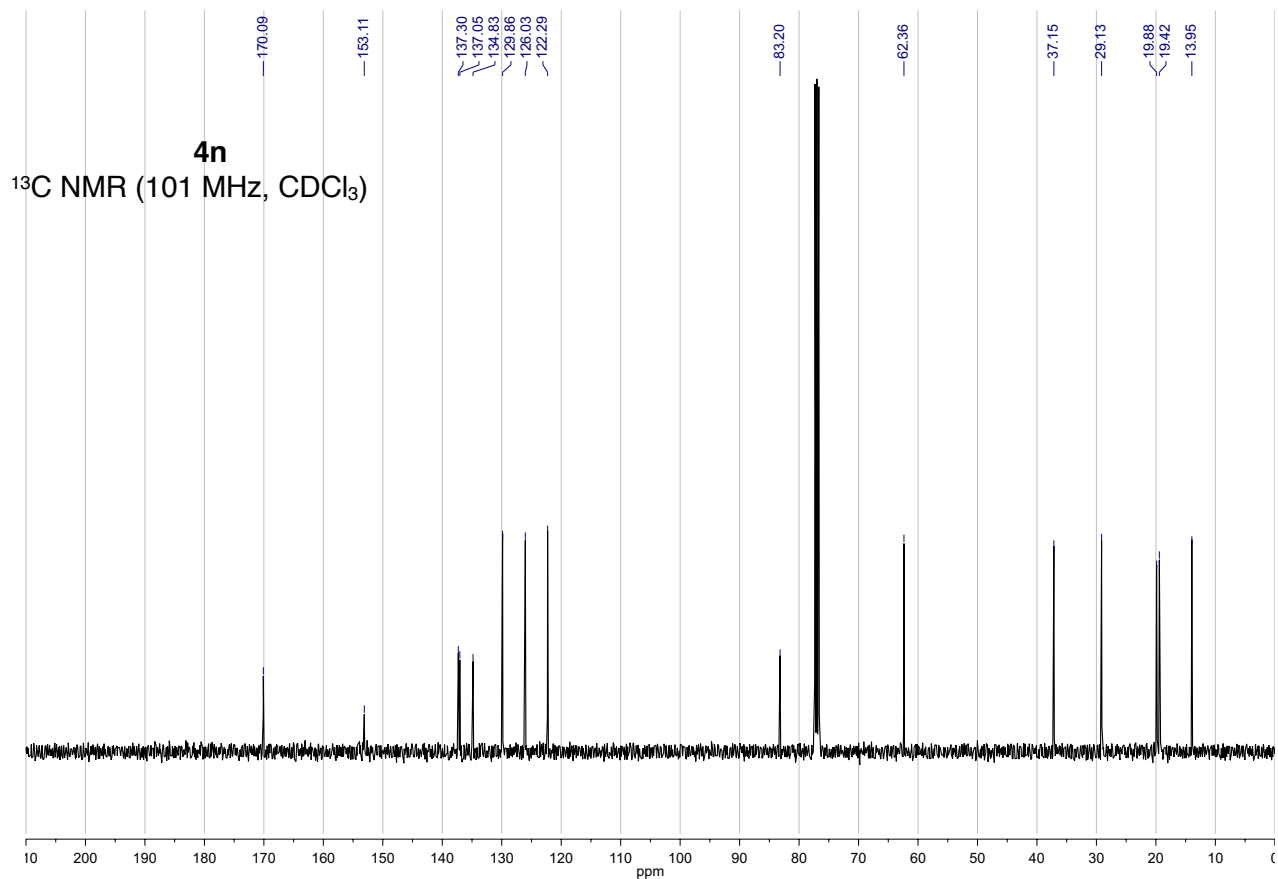


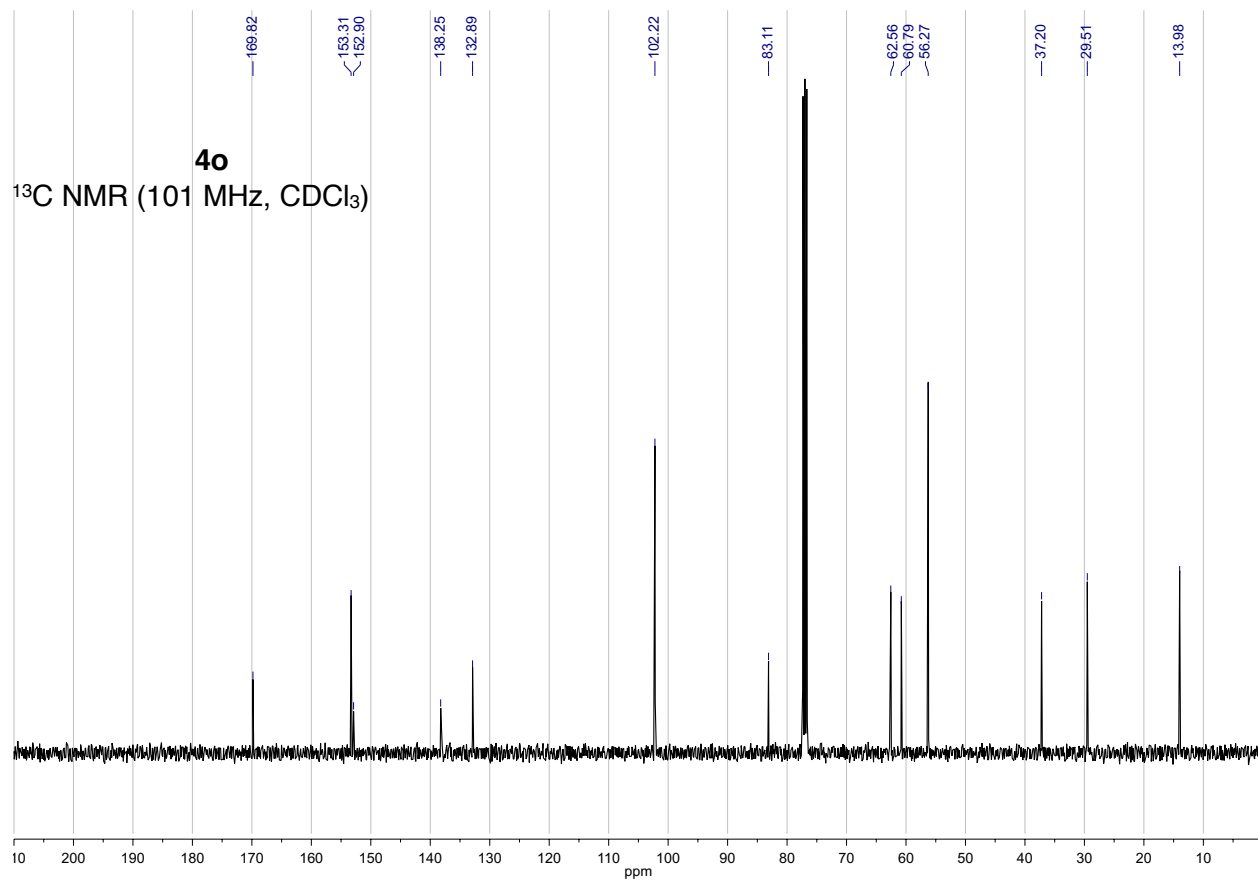
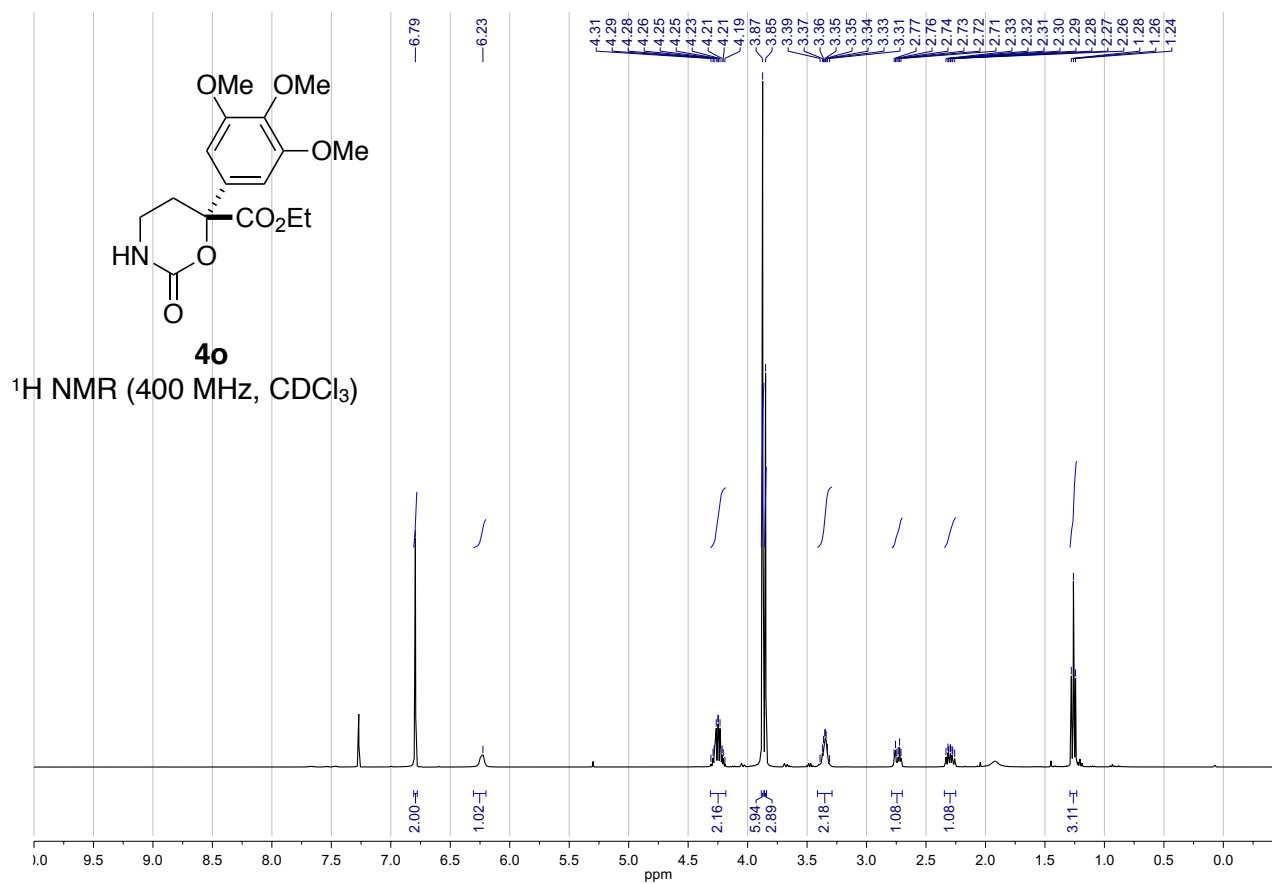


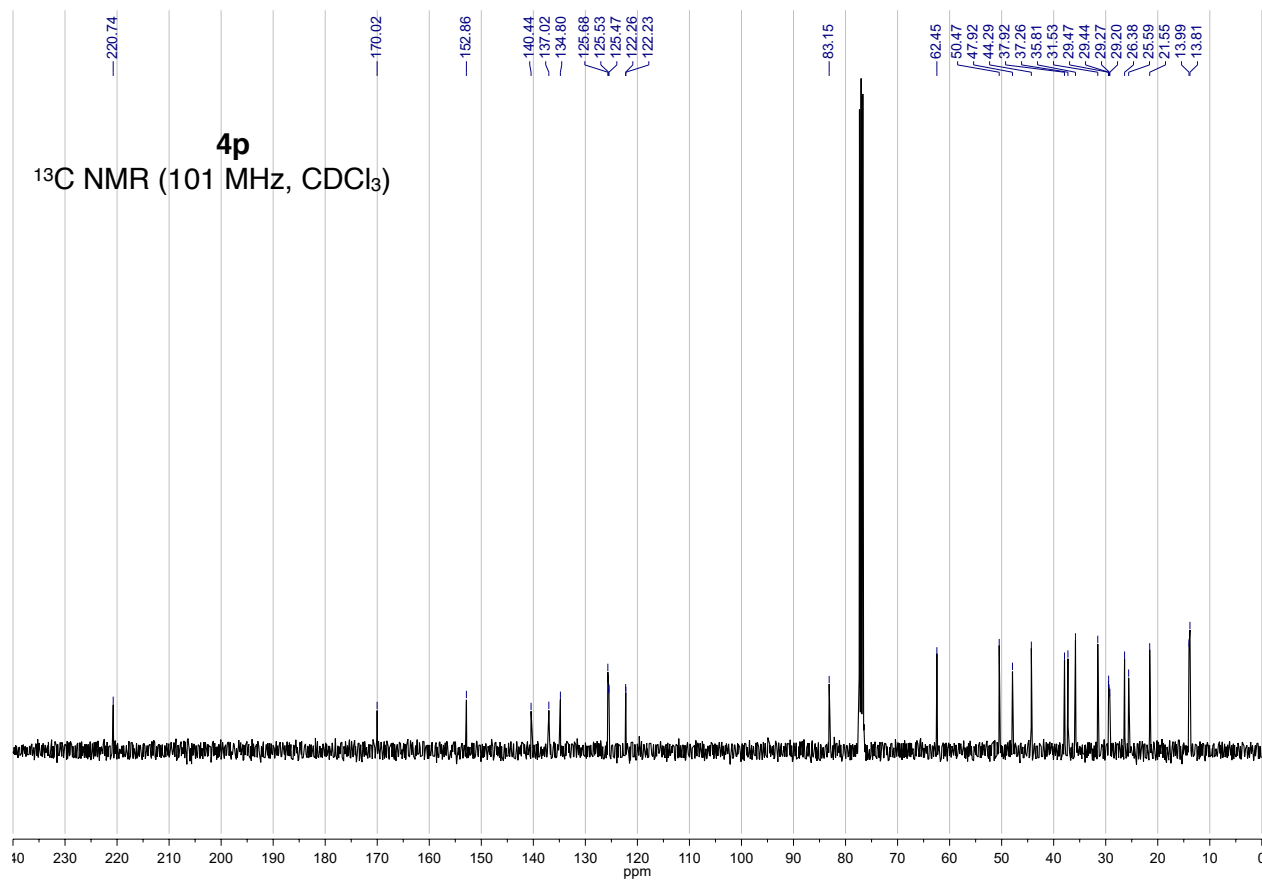
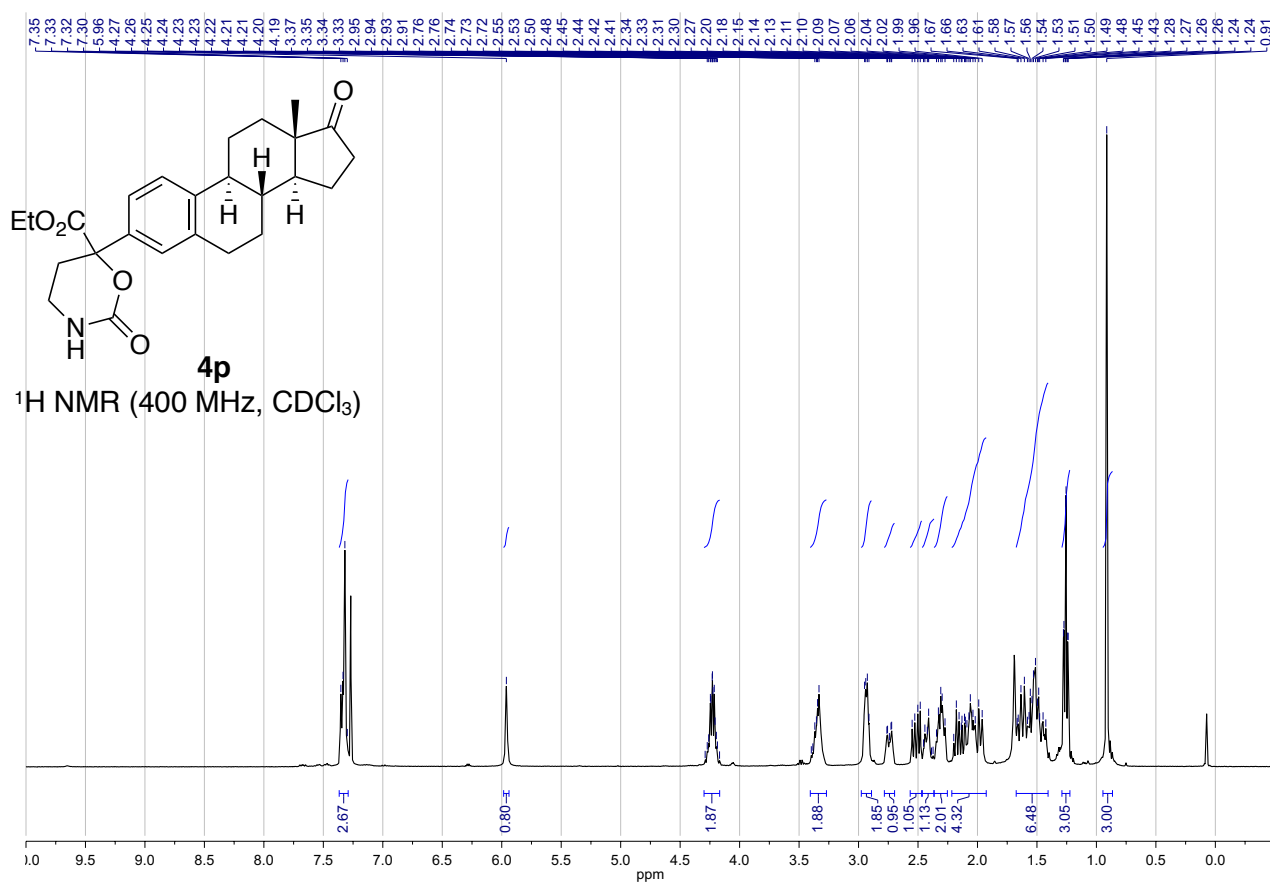


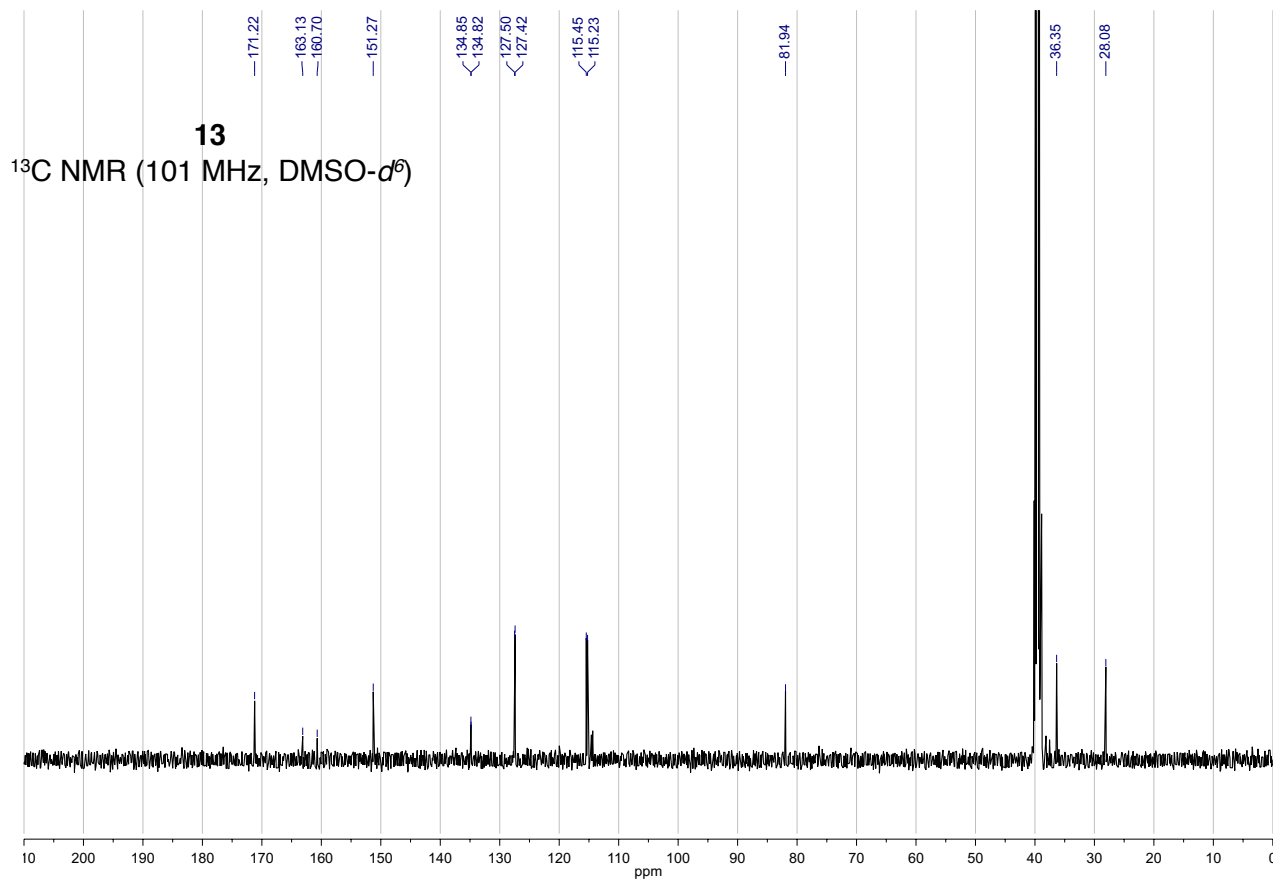
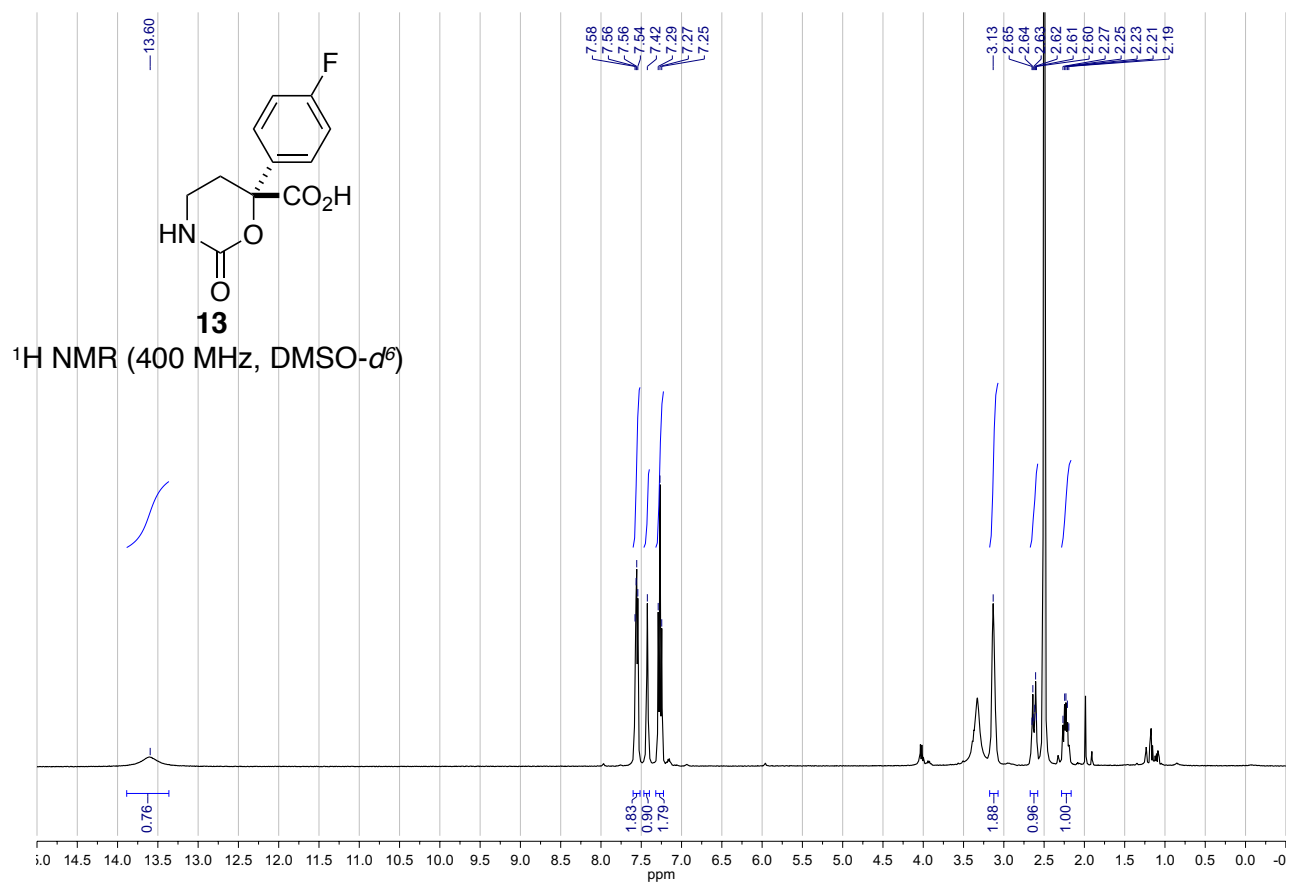


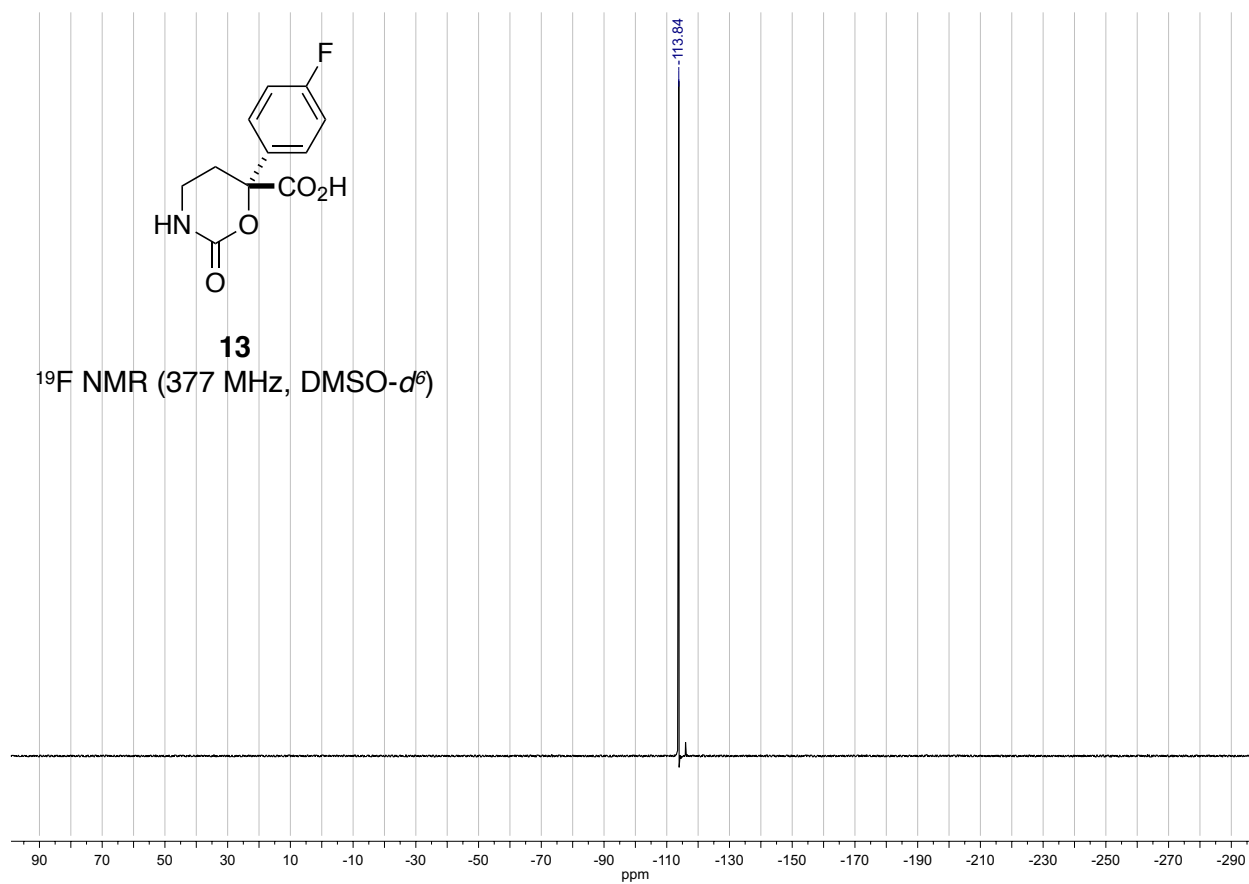


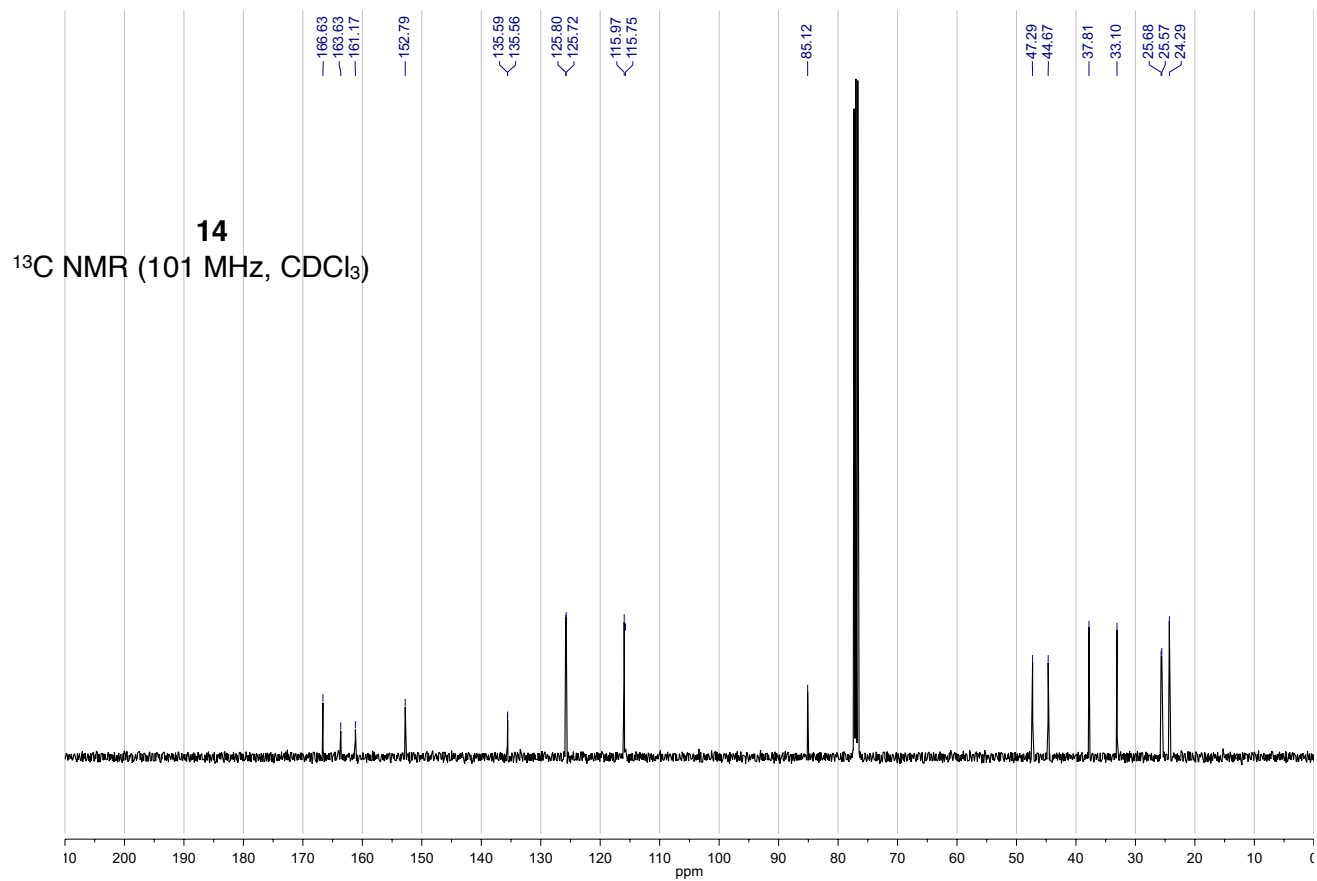
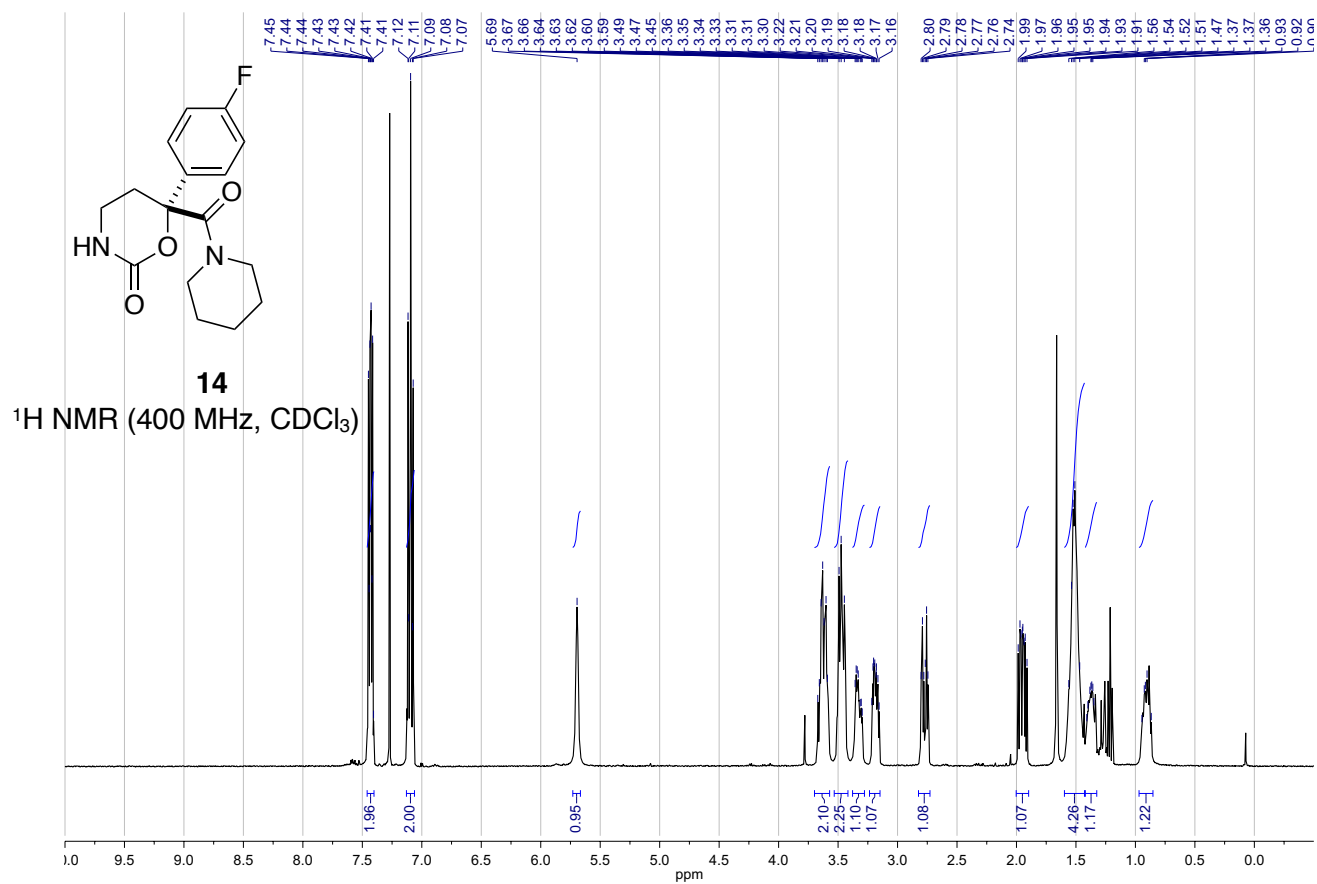


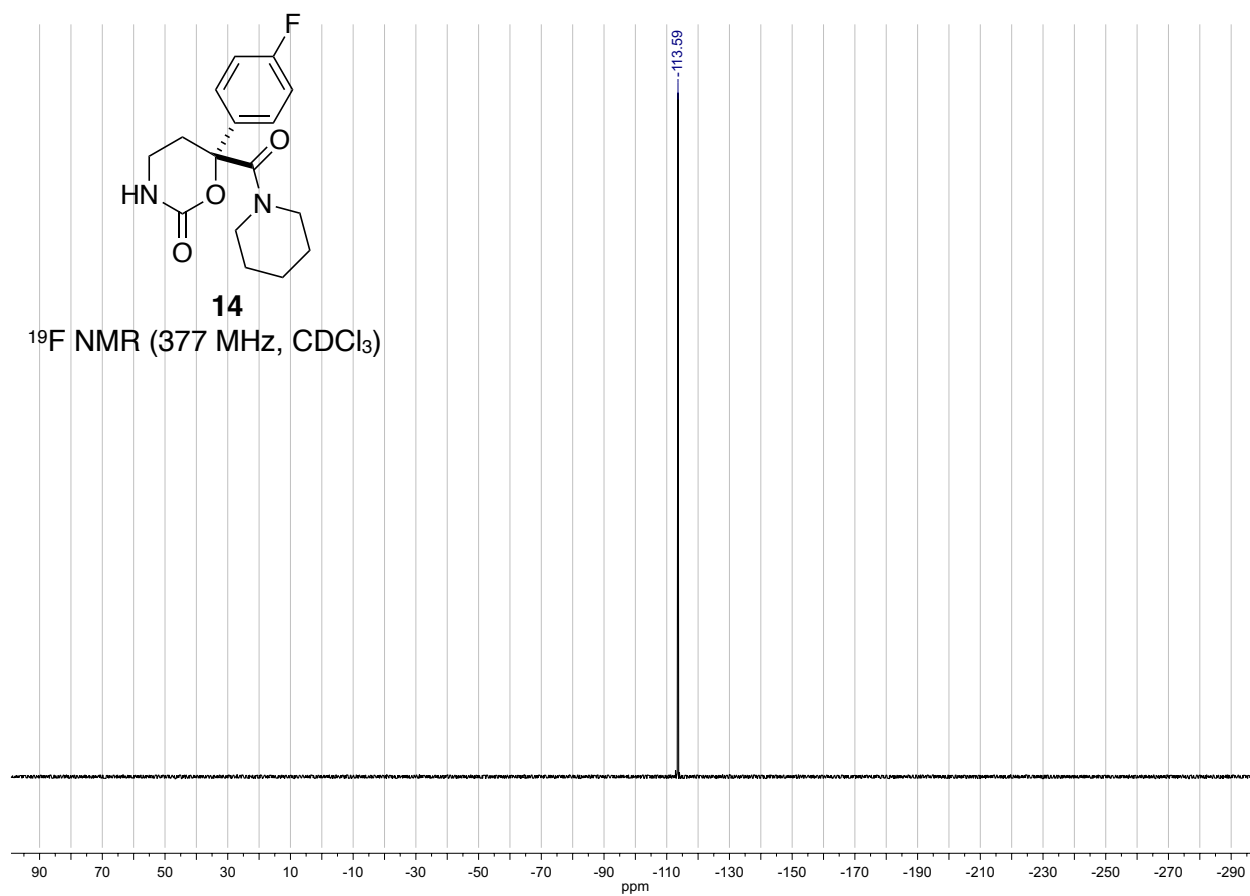


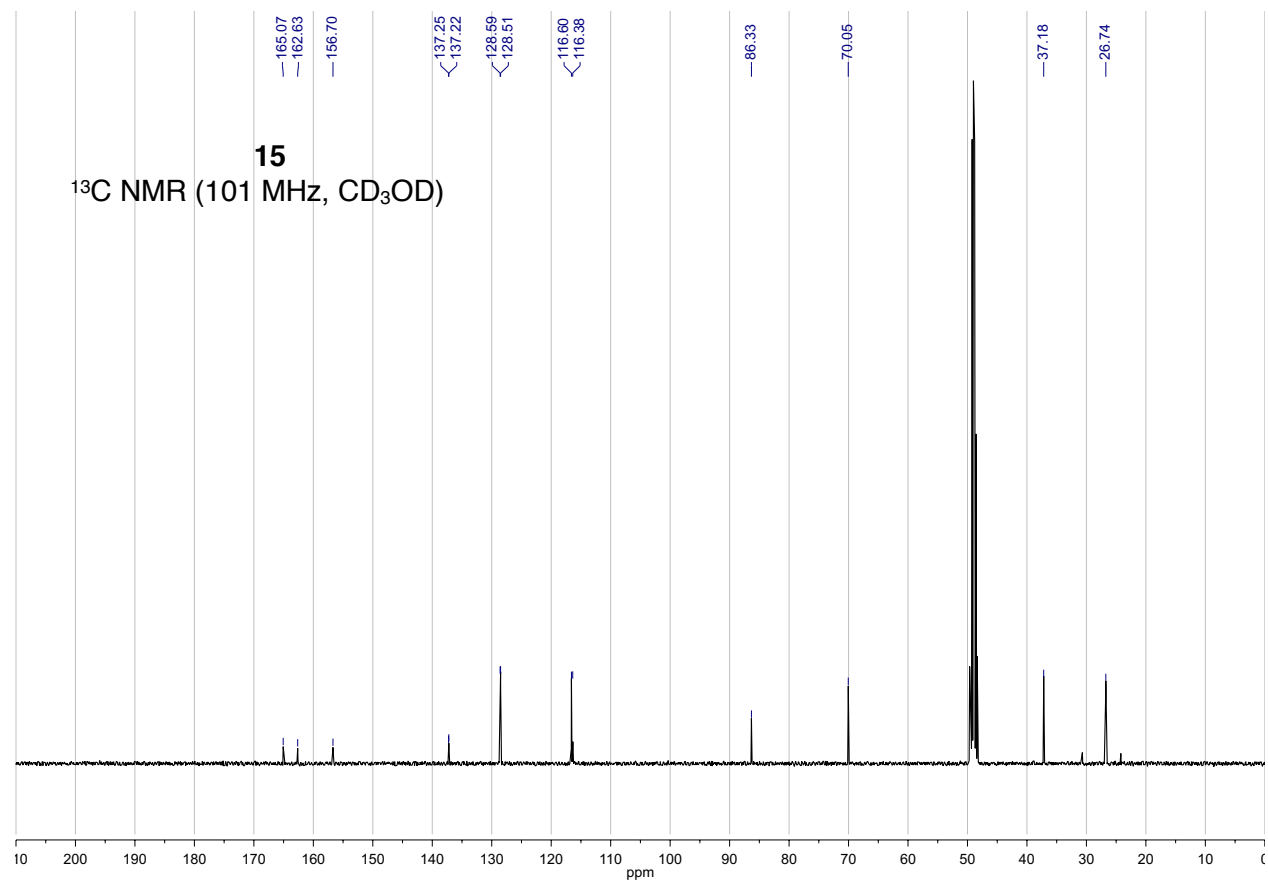
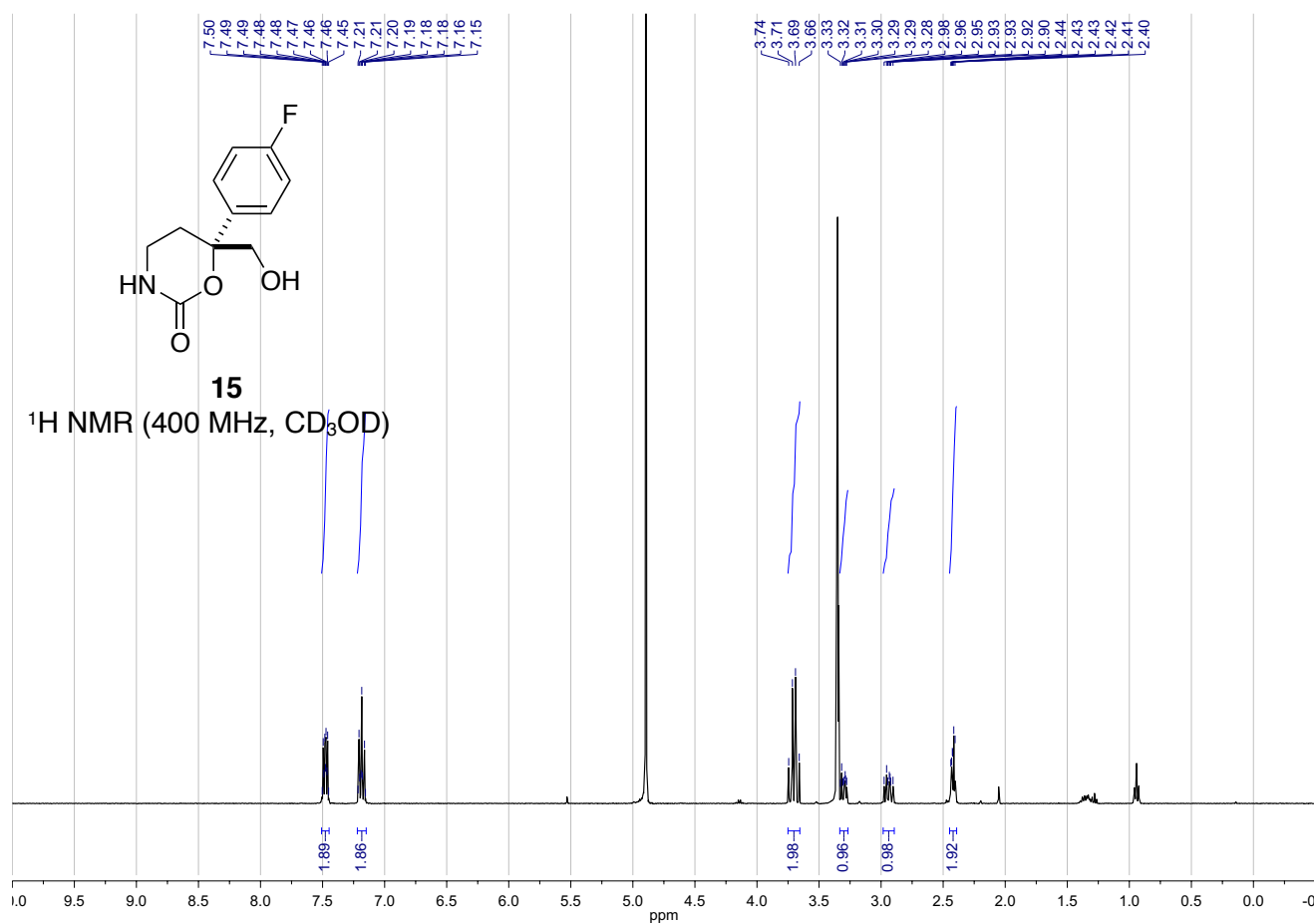


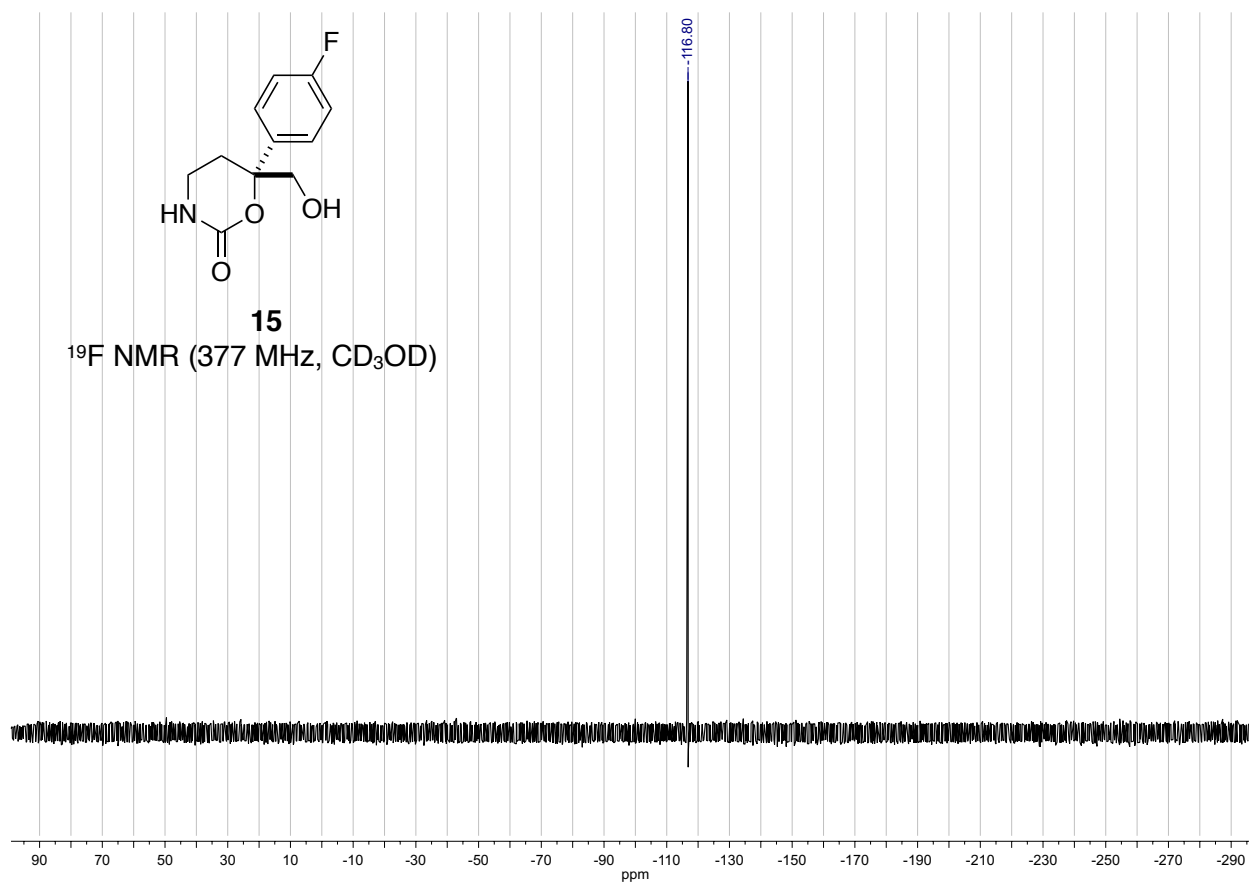


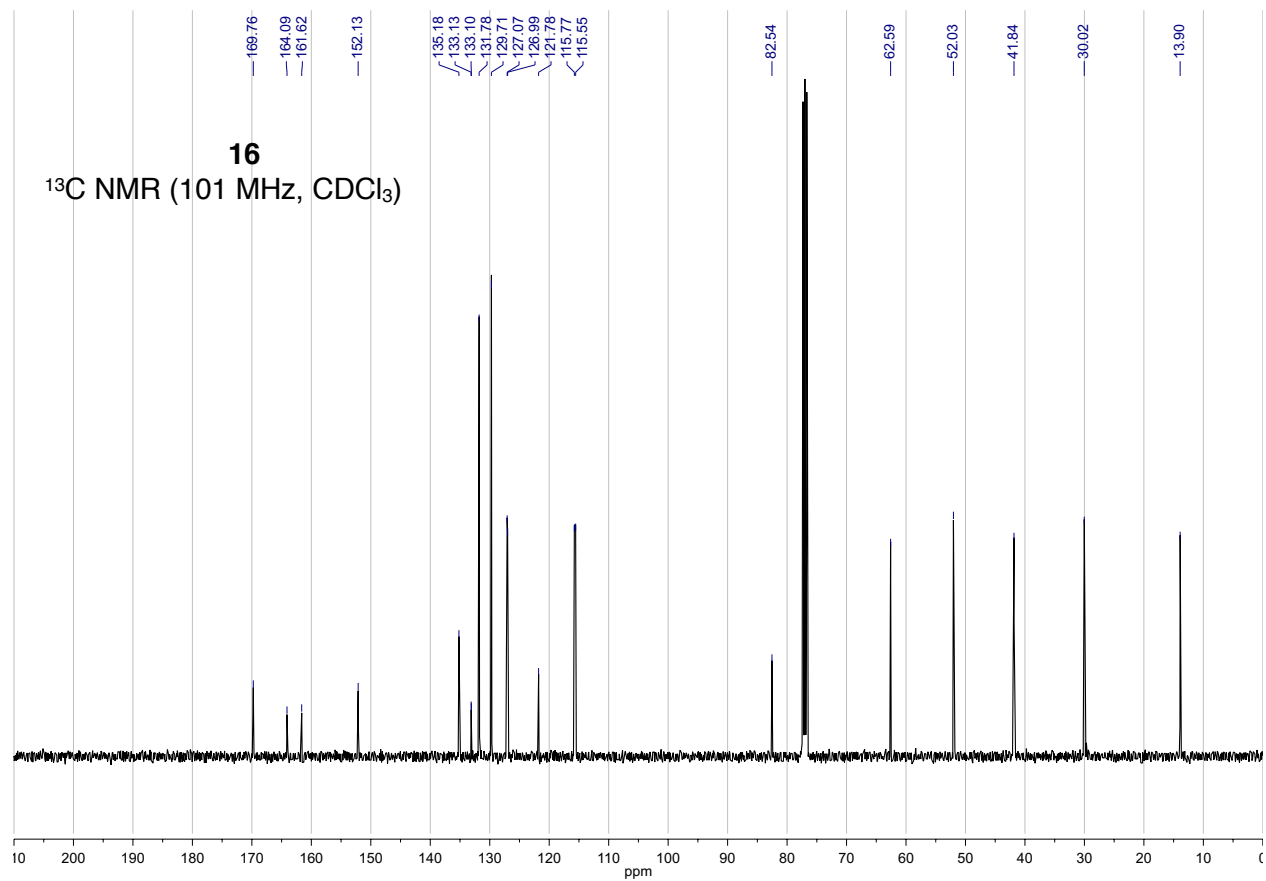
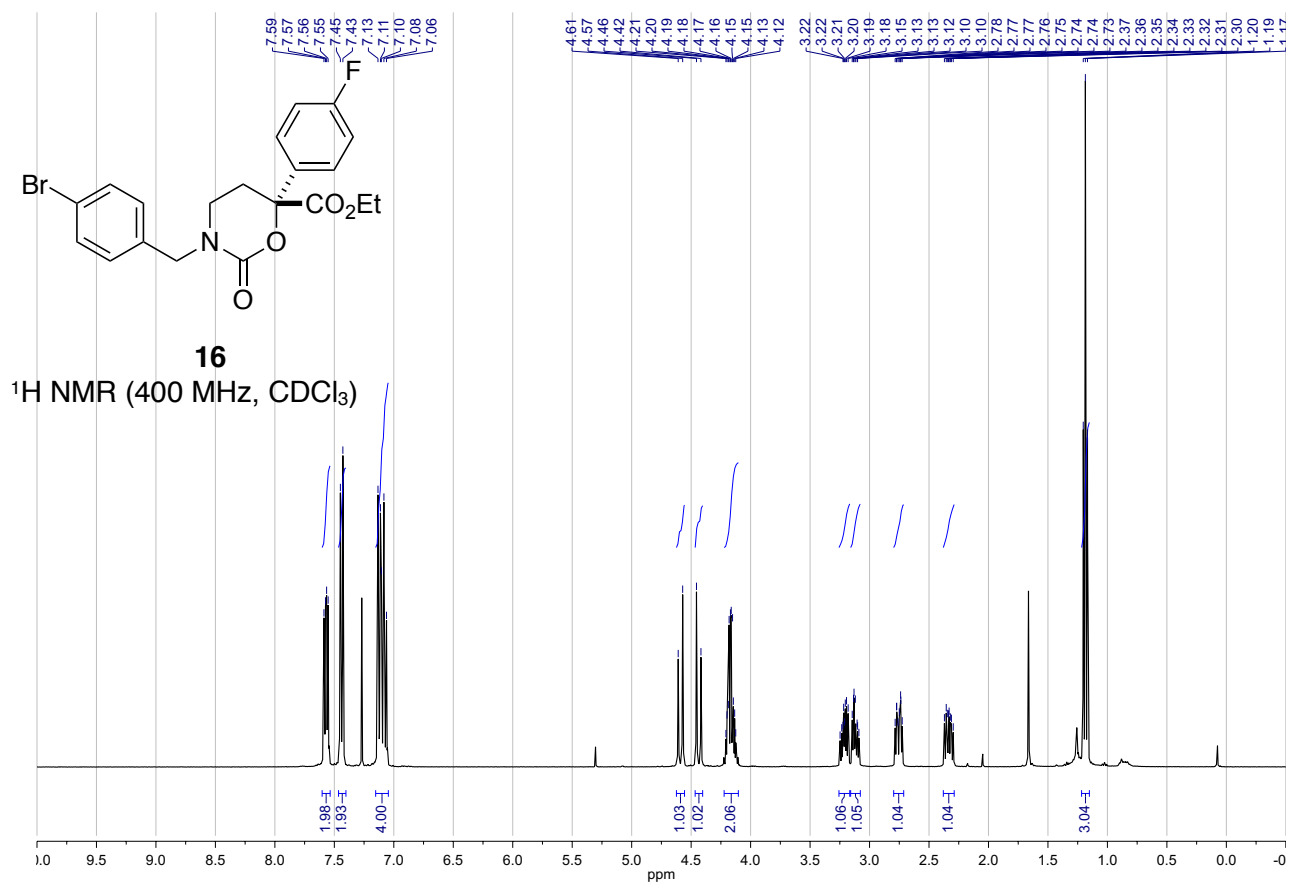


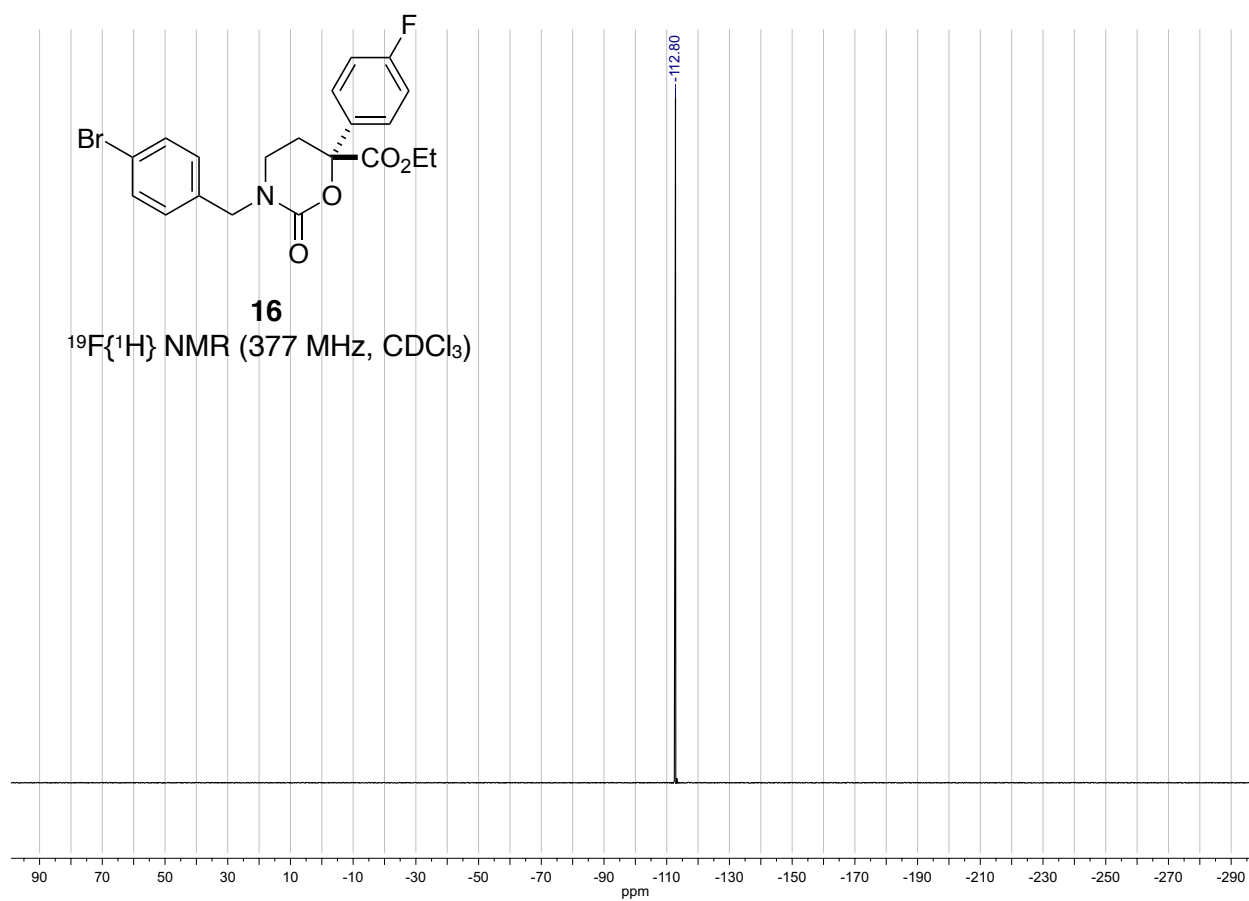


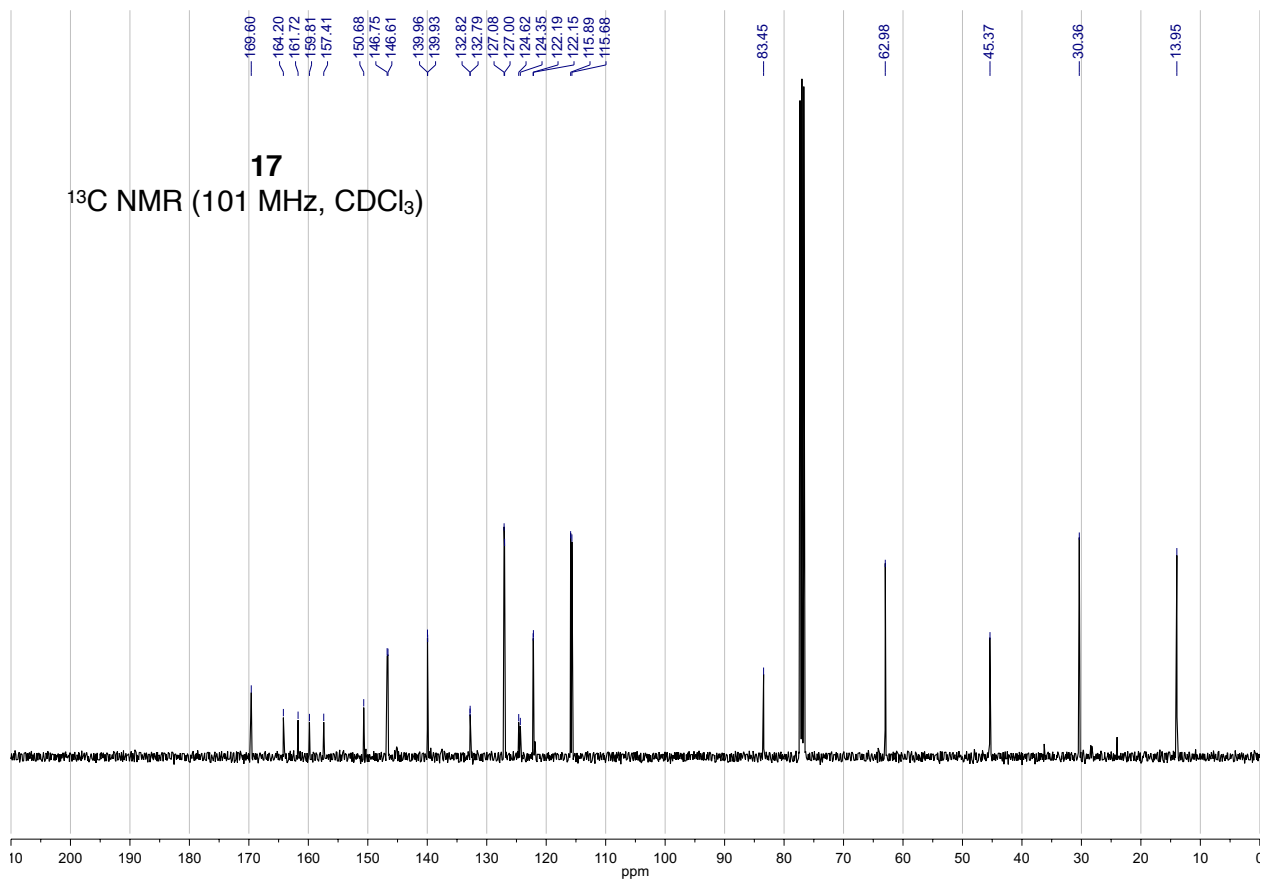
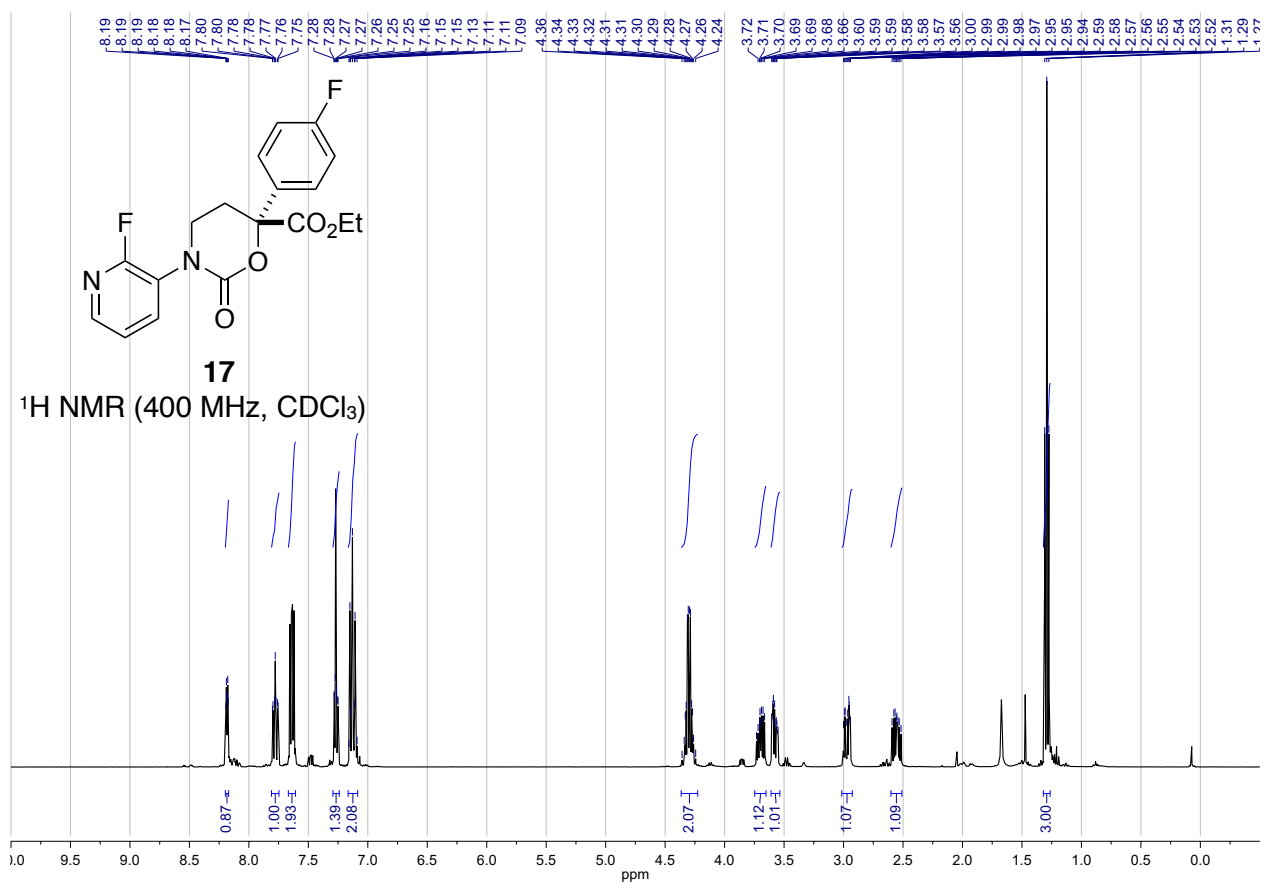


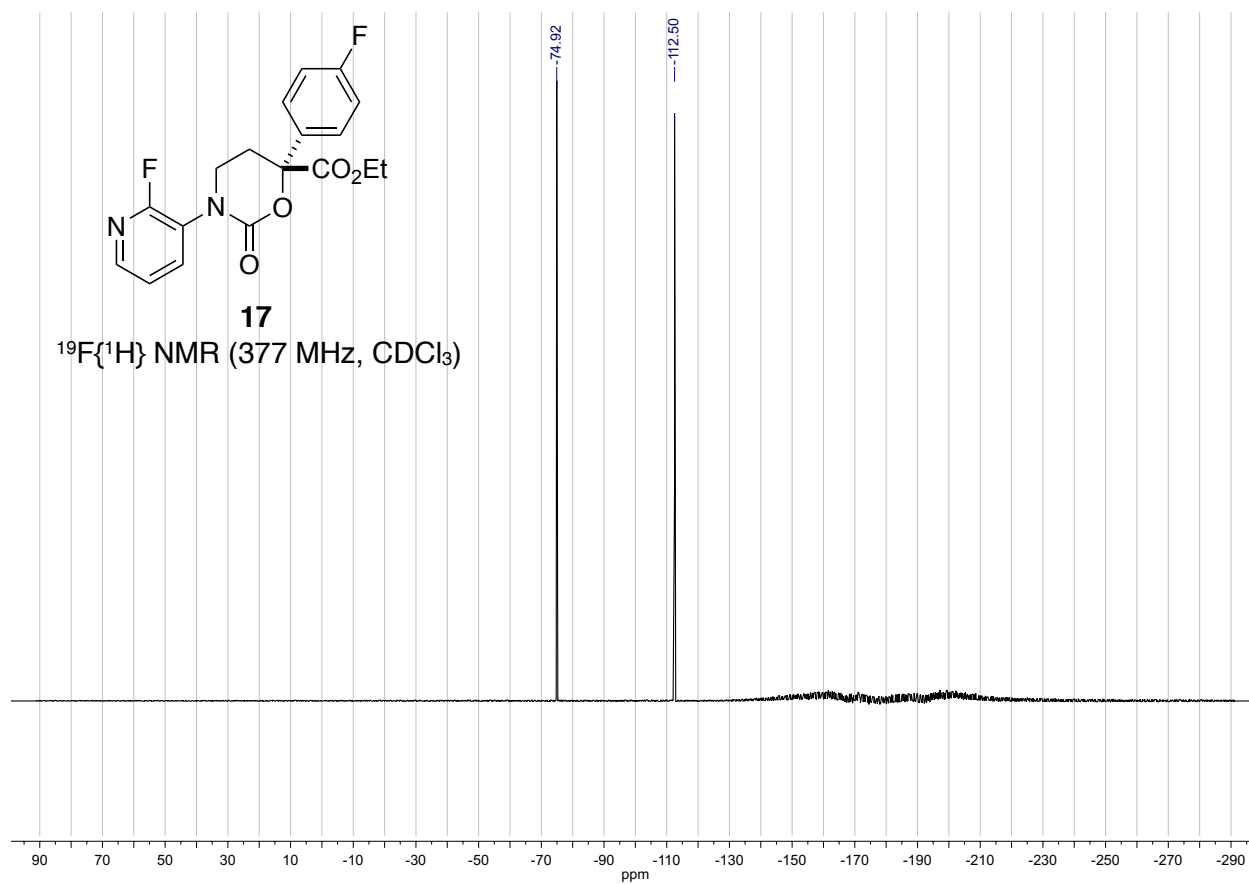












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