

Phosphine-Catalyzed Cascade Michael Addition/[4+2] Cycloaddition Reaction of Allenates and 2-Arylidene-1,3-Indanediones

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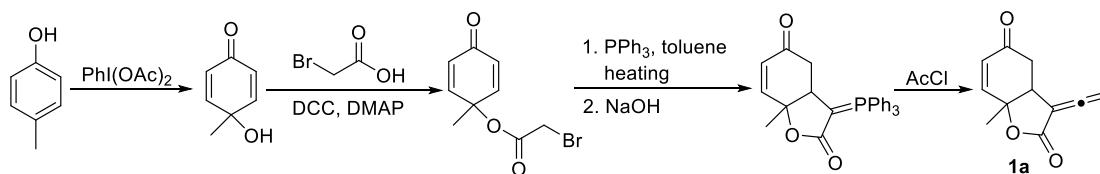
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General Information

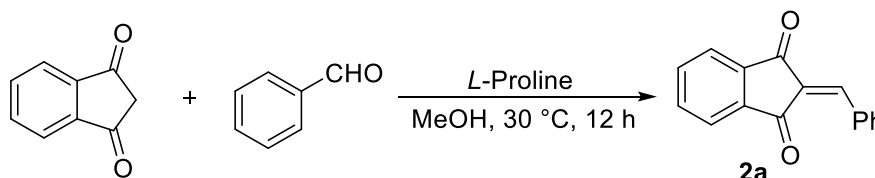
All reactions were performed under Ar atmospheres in oven-dried glassware with magnetic stirring. Unless otherwise stated, all reagents were purchased from commercial suppliers and used without further purification. All solvents were purified and dried according to standard methods prior to use. Organic solutions were concentrated under reduced pressure on a rotary evaporator or an oil pump. All heating options were performed in oil bath. Reactions were monitored through thin layer chromatography (TLC) on silica gel–precoated glass plates. Chromatograms were visualized by fluorescence quenching with UV light at 254 nm. Flash column chromatography was performed using Qingdao Haiyang flash silica gel (200–300 mesh). Infrared spectra were recorded using a Bruker Optics TENSOR 27 instrument. ^1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra were recorded in CDCl_3 using 300 MHz NMR or 500 MHz instrument (referenced internally to Me_4Si). ^1H NMR data are reported as follows: chemical shift, multiplicity (s = singlet; d = doublet; q = quartet; m = multiplet; br = broad), coupling constant (Hz), and integral. Data for ^{13}C NMR spectra are reported in terms of chemical shift. Optical rotation was obtained on an Autopol VI automatic polarimeter. Accurate mass measurements were performed on an electrospray ionization (ESI): apparatus using time-of-flight (TOF) mass spectrometry. Melting points were determined on a Stuart SMP3 melting point apparatus. X-ray crystallographic data were collected using a MM007HF Saturn724⁺. HPLC analysis was performed on Agilent 1100 series, UV detection monitored at 254 nm, using Chiralpak OD-H column with hexane and *i*-PrOH as the eluent.

General Procedure for Preparation of Tetrahydrobenzofuranone-Derived Allenates¹



The tetrahydrobenzofuranone-derived allenates were prepared by the reported procedure.¹

General Procedure for Preparation of 2-Arylidene-1,3-Indanedione²



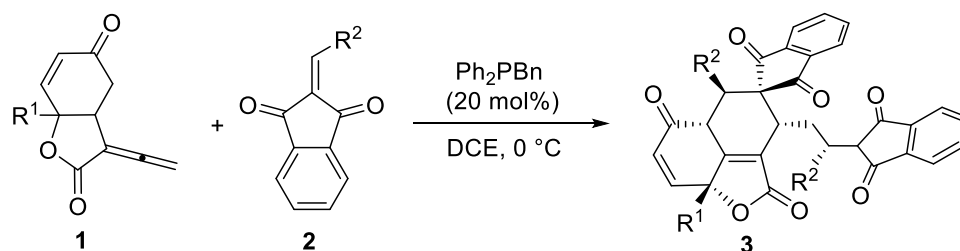
The 2-arylidene-1,3-indanediones were prepared according to the reported procedure.²

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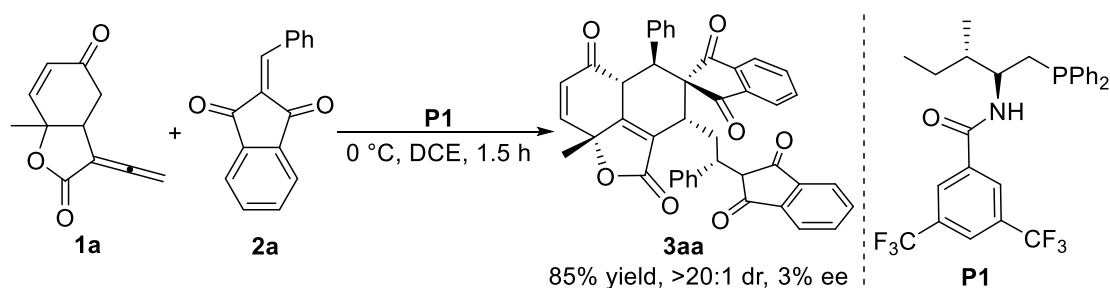
² Yang, S.-M.; Reddy, G. M.; Wang, T.-P.; Yeh Y.-S.; Wang, M.; Lin, W. *Chem. Commun.* **2017**, *53*, 7649.

General Procedure for Achiral Phosphine-Catalyzed Cascade Michael Addition/[4+2] Cycloaddition Reaction

Under an Ar atmosphere, tetrahydrobenzofuranone-derived allenoates **1** (0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 2-arylidene-1,3-indanedione **2** (0.2 mmol, 2.0 equiv), Ph₂PBn (5.5 mg, 0.02 mmol, 20 mol %) and 1 mL of 1,2-dichloroethane were added in the flask. The reaction mixture was stirred at 0 °C until the reactant was completely consumed (determined by TLC). The mixture was directly purified by column chromatography on a silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 2:1 as the eluent) to furnish the corresponding product **3**.



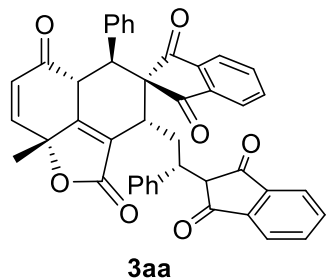
General Procedure for Chiral Phosphine-Catalyzed Cascade Michael Addition/[4+2] Cycloaddition Reaction



Under an Ar atmosphere, tetrahydrobenzofuranone-derived allenoates **1a** (9.5 mg, 0.05 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 2-arylidene-1,3-indanedione **2a** (23.4 mg, 0.1 mmol, 2.0 equiv), **P1** (5.3 mg, 0.01 mmol, 20 mol%) and 0.5 mL of 1,2-dichloroethane were added in the flask. The reaction mixture was stirred at 0 °C until the reactant was completely consumed (determined by TLC). The mixture was directly purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 2:1 as the eluent) to furnish the product **3aa**.

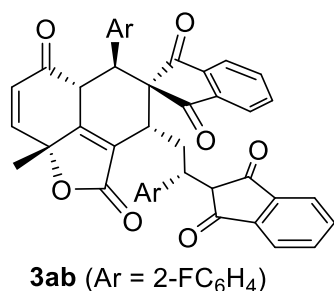
Characterization Data for Achiral Phosphine-Catalyzed Cascade Michael Addition/[4+2] Cycloaddition Reaction products 3

3'-(2-(1,3-Dioxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-2-yl)-2-phenylethyl)-8a'-methyl-5'-phenyl-3',5',5a',8a'-tetrahydro-2'H,6'H-spiro[indene-2,4'-naphtho[1,8-bc]furan]1,2',3,6'-tetraone (3aa)



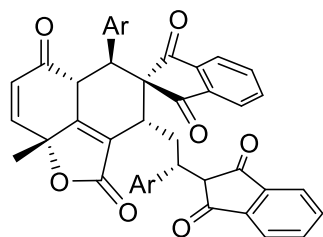
88% yield (58.0 mg), PE/EtOAc = 2:1, pale yellow solid, mp 189–192 °C. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.06 – 7.96 (m, 1H), 7.88 (ddd, J = 13.3, 6.3, 2.6 Hz, 3H), 7.76 – 7.65 (m, 2H), 7.63 – 7.55 (m, 2H), 7.23 – 7.07 (m, 6H), 6.96 – 6.80 (m, 5H), 6.02 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 4.02 (d, J = 5.8 Hz, 2H), 3.59 (s, 1H), 3.35 (d, J = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.87 (s, 1H), 2.67 – 2.55 (m, 1H), 2.53 – 2.38 (m, 1H), 1.85 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 199.8, 199.5, 199.2, 193.5, 168.8, 163.5, 145.5, 142.5, 142.0, 141.2, 140.8, 138.5, 138.3, 135.83, 135.77, 134.81, 134.78, 128.9, 128.6, 128.2, 128.0, 127.6, 127.2, 126.6, 124.3, 123.5, 123.2, 122.4, 122.3, 80.7, 59.7, 56.1, 50.0, 43.9, 41.5, 34.3, 32.1, 24.3; IR (film) ν_{max} 3032, 1760, 1742, 1704, 1683, 1593, 1455, 1352, 1276, 1253, 1101, 1037, 764 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{43}\text{H}_{30}\text{O}_7\text{Na}^+$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 681.1884, found 681.1884.

3'-(2-(1,3-Dioxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-2-yl)-2-(2-fluorophenyl)ethyl)-5'-(2-fluorophenyl)-8a'-methyl-3',5',5a',8a'-tetrahydro-2'H,6'H-spiro[indene-2,4'-naphtho[1,8-bc]furan]1,2',3,6'-tetraone (3ab)



95% yield (66.0 mg), PE/EtOAc = 2:1, pale yellow solid, mp 166–169 °C. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.07 – 7.97 (m, 2H), 7.97 – 7.90 (m, 2H), 7.78 – 7.71 (m, 2H), 7.69 – 7.61 (m, 2H), 7.16 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 7.12 – 6.86 (m, 6H), 6.81 – 6.63 (m, 2H), 6.10 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 4.48 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 3.99 (s, 1H), 3.89 (s, 1H), 3.31 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 2.89 (s, 1H), 2.52 (s, 1H), 2.40 (s, 1H), 1.86 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 199.5, 199.4, 198.5, 192.8, 168.4, 162.6, 161.6 (d, J = 39.4 Hz), 158.4 (d, J = 38.9 Hz), 145.4, 142.4, 141.9, 141.2, 140.9, 136.1, 135.9, 134.9, 129.7 (d, J = 3.7 Hz), 129.1 (d, J = 8.7 Hz), 128.8, 28.1 (d, J = 8.4 Hz), 127.6, 125.9 (d, J = 14.2 Hz), 124.6, 124.2 (d, J = 2.9 Hz), 123.7, 123.4 (d, J = 3.5 Hz), 123.2, 122.5, 122.4, 115.3 (d, J = 23.1 Hz), 114.8 (d, J = 23.3 Hz), 80.5, 58.7, 54.9, 49.6, 36.3, 33.8, 30.5, 29.3, 24.3; IR (film) ν_{max} 3055, 1761, 1745, 1706, 1683, 1592, 1492, 1455, 1264, 1179, 1098, 1037, 733, 703, 407 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{43}\text{H}_{32}\text{F}_2\text{NO}_7^+$ $[\text{M}+\text{NH}_4]^+$ 712.2141, found 712.2136.

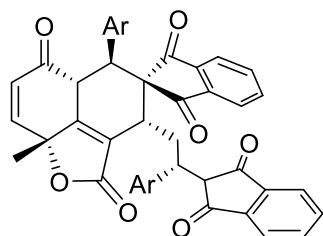
3'-(2-(1,3-Dioxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-2-yl)-2-(3-fluorophenyl)ethyl)-5'-(3-fluorophenyl)-8a'-methyl-3',5',5a',8a'-tetrahydro-2'H,6'H-spiro[indene-2,4'-naphtho[1,8-bc]furan]-1,2',3,6'-tetraone (3ac)



3ac (Ar = 3-FC₆H₄)

88% yield (61.1 mg), PE/EtOAc = 2:1, pale yellow solid, mp 194–196 °C. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.03 (dd, *J* = 4.7, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.95 – 7.83 (m, 3H), 7.78 – 7.60 (m, 4H), 7.16 (dd, *J* = 14.0, 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.01 – 6.76 (m, 4H), 6.70 – 6.48 (m, 3H), 6.03 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 3.99 (d, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 2H), 3.57 (s, 1H), 3.35 (d, *J* = 3.9 Hz, 1H), 2.82 (s, 1H), 2.47 (dd, *J* = 24.3, 17.2 Hz, 2H), 1.86 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.53, 199.38, 199.13, 198.69, 193.32, 168.70, 163.6 (d, *J* = 22.1 Hz), 160.4 (d, *J* = 21.6 Hz), 160.23, 145.67, 142.33, 141.91, 141.05, 140.97, 140.87, 140.62, 136.07, 136.02, 135.01, 129.7 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz), 129.2 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz), 128.84, 124.4 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz), 124.06, 123.58, 123.39, 122.52, 122.48, 115.80, 115.51, 114.3 (d, *J* = 20.9 Hz), 113.7 (d, *J* = 20.9 Hz), 80.79, 59.51, 55.95, 49.83, 43.36, 41.13, 34.38, 32.06, 24.23; IR (film) ν_{max} 3064, 1760, 1742, 1702, 1682, 1614, 1589, 1488, 1450, 1257, 1102, 1041, 783, 765, 736, 692 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₄₃H₃₂F₂NO₇⁺ [M+NH₄]⁺ 712.2141, found 712.2134.

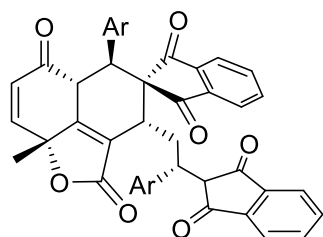
3'-(2-(1,3-Dioxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-2-yl)-2-(4-fluorophenyl)ethyl)-5'-(4-fluorophenyl)-8a'-methyl-3',5',5a',8a'-tetrahydro-2'H,6'H-spiro[indene-2,4'-naphtho[1,8-bc]furan]-1,2',3,6'-tetraone (3ad)



3ad (Ar = 4-FC₆H₄)

80% yield (55.6 mg), PE/EtOAc = 2:1, pale yellow solid, mp 187–190 °C. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.09 – 7.97 (m, 1H), 7.94 – 7.84 (m, 3H), 7.79 – 7.60 (m, 4H), 7.19 – 7.08 (m, 3H), 6.94 – 6.77 (m, 4H), 6.59 (t, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 6.02 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 4.00 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 3.54 (s, 1H), 3.32 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.77 (s, 1H), 2.53 (dt, *J* = 22.3, 11.7 Hz, 2H), 1.85 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.8, 199.6, 199.4, 198.9, 193.5, 168.8, 163.5, 163.1 (d, *J* = 18.3 Hz), 159.8 (d, *J* = 17.0 Hz), 145.6, 142.2 (d, *J* = 31.4 Hz), 141.9 (d, *J* = 42.7 Hz), 136.0, 136.0, 135.0, 134.2 (d, *J* = 3.3 Hz), 130.6 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz), 130.3 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 128.9, 124.1, 123.5, 123.3, 122.5, 122.4, 115.1 (d, *J* = 21.4 Hz), 114.5 (d, *J* = 21.1 Hz), 80.8, 59.7, 56.4, 49.9, 43.0, 40.7, 34.5, 32.3, 24.3; IR (film) ν_{max} 3065, 1760, 1742, 1703, 1683, 1603, 1509, 1253, 1226, 1163, 1041, 837, 765, 737 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₄₃H₃₂F₂NO₇⁺ [M+NH₄]⁺ 712.2141, found 712.2133.

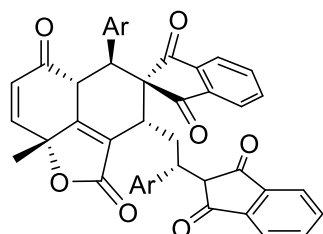
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3ae (Ar = 4-ClC₆H₄)

84% yield (61.1 mg), PE/EtOAc = 2:1, pale yellow solid, mp 183–186 °C. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.06 – 7.98 (m, 1H), 7.89 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 5.8 Hz, 3H), 7.79 – 7.58 (m, 4H), 7.12 (q, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 5H), 6.88 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.80 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.01 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 3.98 (t, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 3.54 (s, 1H), 3.33 (d, *J* = 3.9 Hz, 1H), 2.76 (s, 1H), 2.52 (d, *J* = 5.7 Hz, 2H), 1.84 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.6, 199.5, 199.2, 198.7, 193.5, 168.8, 163.5, 145.6, 142.3, 141.9, 141.1, 140.5, 137.0, 136.7, 136.1, 136.0, 135.1, 133.1, 132.6, 130.3, 130.1, 128.9, 128.4, 128.0, 127.9, 124.0, 123.6, 123.4, 122.6, 122.5, 80.8, 59.6, 56.3, 49.8, 42.8, 40.8, 34.7, 32.2, 24.3; IR (film) ν_{max} 2929, 1760, 1742, 1703, 1684, 1593, 1493, 1274, 1250, 1095, 1040., 1015, 767 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₄₃H₃₂Cl₂NO₇⁺ [M+NH₄]⁺ 744.1550, found 744.1547.

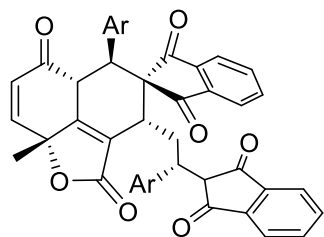
5'-(4-Bromophenyl)-3'-(2-(4-bromophenyl)-2-(1,3-dioxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-2-yl)ethyl)-8a'-methyl-3',5',5a',8a'-tetrahydro-2'H,6'H-spiro[indene-2,4'-naphtho[1,8-bc]furan]-1,2',3,6'-tetraone (3af)



3af (Ar = 4-BrC₆H₄)

87% yield (71.0 mg), PE/EtOAc = 2:1, pale yellow solid, mp 183–185 °C. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.01 (dd, *J* = 5.2, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 7.87 (s, 3H), 7.79 – 7.61 (m, 5H), 7.29 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 3H), 7.11 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 7.03 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 3H), 6.00 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 3.97 (t, *J* = 11.2 Hz, 2H), 3.53 (s, 1H), 3.33 (d, *J* = 3.9 Hz, 1H), 2.76 (s, 1H), 2.52 (s, 2H), 1.84 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.6, 199.4, 199.2, 198.6, 193.5, 168.8, 163.5, 145.6, 142.3, 141.9, 141.1, 140.5, 137.5, 137.2, 136.1, 136.0, 135.1, 131.4, 130.8, 130.7, 130.5, 128.9, 123.9, 123.6, 123.4, 122.6, 122.5, 121.4, 120.8, 80.8, 59.5, 56.3, 49.8, 42.8, 40.8, 34.7, 32.2, 24.3; IR (film) ν_{max} 2928, 1759, 1742, 1703, 1683, 1592, 1489, 1352, 1275, 1252, 1164, 1098, 1076, 1040, 1011, 766, 523 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₄₃H₂₇Br₂O₇⁻ [M-H]⁻ 813.0129, found 813.0147.

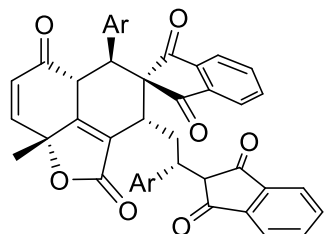
3'-(2-(1,3-Dioxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-2-yl)-2-(4-iodophenyl)ethyl)-5'-(4-iodophenyl)-8a'-methyl-3',5',5a',8a'-tetrahydro-2'H,6'H-spiro[indene-2,4'-naphtho[1,8-bc]furan]-1,2',3,6'-tetraone (3ag)



3ag (Ar = 4-IC₆H₄)

84% yield (76.5 mg), PE/EtOAc = 2:1, pale yellow solid, mp 196–199 °C. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.04 – 7.97 (m, 1H), 7.92 – 7.83 (m, 3H), 7.79 – 7.63 (m, 4H), 7.49 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.22 (s, 2H), 7.11 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 6.90 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.62 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.00 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 3.95 (t, *J* = 13.6 Hz, 2H), 3.51 (s, 1H), 3.33 (d, *J* = 3.9 Hz, 1H), 2.75 (s, 1H), 2.51 (s, 2H), 1.83 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.5, 199.4, 199.1, 198.6, 193.4, 168.8, 163.5, 145.6, 142.3, 141.9, 141.1, 140.5, 138.2, 137.9, 137.3, 136.8, 136.1, 136.0, 135.1, 130.9, 130.7, 128.9, 123.9, 123.6, 123.4, 122.6, 122.5, 93.1, 92.7, 80.8, 59.5, 56.3, 49.8, 42.9, 40.9, 34.8, 32.2, 24.3; IR (film) ν_{max} 2927, 1758, 1742, 1702, 1682, 1592, 1486, 1255, 1098, 1040, 1006, 778, 765, 734, 700, 427 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₄₃H₃₂I₂NO₇⁺ [M+NH₄]⁺ 928.0263, found 928.0262.

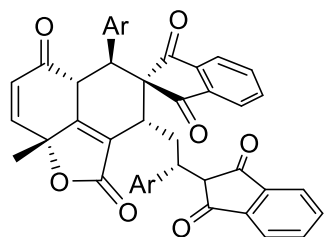
3'-(2-(1,3-Dioxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-2-yl)-2-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)ethyl)-8a'-methyl-5'-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-3',5',5a',8a'-tetrahydro-2'H,6'H-spiro[indene-2,4'-naphtho[1,8-bc]furan]-1,2',3,6'-tetraone (3ah)



3ah (Ar = 4-CF₃C₆H₄)

83% yield (66.0 mg), PE/EtOAc = 2:1, pale yellow solid, mp 192–194 °C. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.09 – 8.01 (m, 1H), 7.97 – 7.89 (m, 3H), 7.80 – 7.65 (m, 5H), 7.47 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.31 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.22 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.14 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 7.04 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 6.03 (d, *J* = 9.8 Hz, 1H), 4.15 – 4.02 (m, 2H), 3.70 (s, 1H), 3.41 (d, *J* = 3.7 Hz, 1H), 2.84 (s, 1H), 2.61 (s, 2H), 1.88 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.4, 199.2, 198.9, 198.4, 193.24, 168.7, 163.4, 145.7, 142.5, 142.2, 141.8, 141.0, 140.5, 136.2, 136.1, 135.2, 129.7, 129.4, 129.2, 129.1, 128.8, 128.7, 125.2 (q, *J* = 3.8 Hz), 124.7 (q, *J* = 3.8 Hz), 123.9, 123.7, 123.4, 122.6, 122.5, 80.9, 59.5, 56.1, 49.8, 43.0, 41.1, 34.6, 32.1, 30.5, 29.3, 24.2; IR (film) ν_{max} 2917, 1760, 1743, 1705, 1683, 1325, 1255, 1166, 1116, 1070, 1041, 1018, 765, 737, 610 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₄₅H₃₂F₆NO₇⁺ [M+NH₄]⁺ 812.2077, found 812.2065.

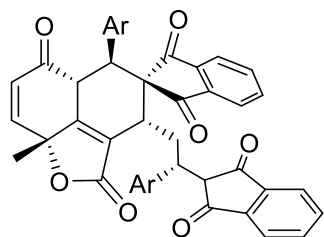
3'-(2-(1,3-Dioxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-2-yl)-2-(4-nitrophenyl)ethyl)-8a'-methyl-5'-(4-nitrophenyl)-3',5',5a',8a'-tetrahydro-2'H,6'H-spiro[indene-2,4'-naphtho[1,8-bc]furan]-1,2',3,6'-tetraone (3ai)



3ai (Ar = 4-NO₂C₆H₄)

72% yield (53.9 mg), PE/EtOAc = 2:1, pale yellow solid, mp 217–220 °C. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.12 – 8.02 (m, 3H), 7.98 – 7.91 (m, 3H), 7.85 – 7.65 (m, 7H), 7.36 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.19 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 7.09 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 6.07 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 4.21 – 4.03 (m, 2H), 3.71 (s, 1H), 3.42 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz, 1H), 2.78 (s, 1H), 2.59 (d, *J* = 20.8 Hz, 2H), 1.90 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.1, 198.9, 198.8, 198.1, 193.0, 168.6, 163.3, 146.9, 146.6, 145.8, 142.0, 141.7, 140.9, 140.4, 136.5, 135.5, 130.0, 129.7, 128.7, 123.8, 123.7, 123.6, 123.4, 122.9, 122.73, 122.65, 81.0, 59.3, 55.9, 49.5, 43.1, 41.2, 34.6, 31.8, 24.3; IR (film) ν_{max} 2930, 1758, 1742, 1702, 1683, 1596, 1519, 1345, 1319, 1252, 1109, 1040, 857, 779, 768, 756, 734, 696 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₄₃H₂₉N₂O₁₁⁺ [M+H]⁺ 749.1766, found 749.1767.

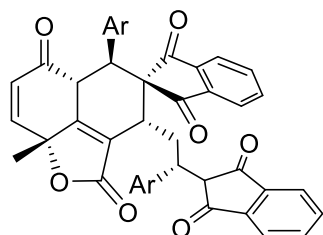
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3aj (Ar = 2,4-Cl₂C₆H₃)

59% yield (47.0 mg), PE/EtOAc = 2:1, pale yellow solid, mp 185–187 °C. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.05 – 7.98 (m, 1H), 7.97 – 7.91 (m, 3H), 7.86 – 7.81 (m, 2H), 7.76 (dd, *J* = 5.6, 2.6 Hz, 2H), 7.36 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.22 – 7.15 (m, 2H), 7.11 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.05 – 6.97 (m, 3H), 6.08 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 4.59 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 3.91 (d, *J* = 27.4 Hz, 2H), 3.31 (d, *J* = 3.5 Hz, 1H), 2.73 (s, 1H), 2.47 (s, 2H), 1.82 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.6, 199.1, 198.9, 197.8, 192.5, 168.3, 162.8, 145.5, 142.1, 142.0, 141.2, 136.13, 136.06, 135.3, 135.1, 134.3, 133.5, 132.9, 130.6, 129.6, 128.8, 127.8, 127.2, 126.9, 124.1, 123.9, 123.3, 122.8, 122.7, 80.5, 58.2, 55.8, 49.9, 38.4, 36.9, 33.8, 29.3, 24.5; IR (film) ν_{max} 2929, 1760, 1702, 1683, 1589, 1474, 1351, 1264, 1105, 1048, 947, 870, 824, 734, 702, 593 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₄₃H₃₀Cl₄NO₇⁺ [M+NH₄]⁺ 812.0771, calcd for 812.0769.

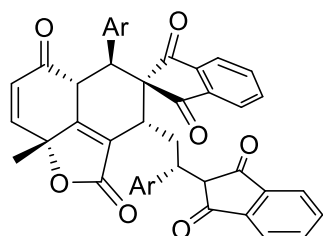
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3ak (Ar = 2-MeC₆H₄)

78% yield (53.6 mg), PE/EtOAc = 2:1, pale yellow solid, mp 183–186 °C. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.01 – 7.91 (m, 2H), 7.90 – 7.75 (m, 3H), 7.63 (dt, *J* = 6.7, 4.9 Hz, 3H), 7.15 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 7.11 – 6.91 (m, 5H), 6.82 (dd, *J* = 11.3, 4.6 Hz, 3H), 6.03 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 4.31 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 4.03 (s, 1H), 3.82 (s, 1H), 3.44 (d, *J* = 3.9 Hz, 1H), 2.79 (d, *J* = 34.5 Hz, 2H), 2.41 (s, 3H), 2.33 – 2.24 (m, 1H), 1.91 (s, 3H), 1.85 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 200.4, 199.5, 199.0, 193.7, 168.9, 164.1, 145.6, 142.8, 142.1, 141.2, 141.1, 138.0, 137.7, 137.5, 135.8, 134.8, 130.6, 130.1, 129.0, 127.5, 126.9, 126.3, 125.9, 125.7, 125.6, 124.2, 123.6, 123.1, 122.40, 122.36, 80.7, 59.3, 55.9, 51.1, 38.5, 36.3, 35.1, 33.3, 30.5, 24.4, 19.9, 18.9; IR (film) ν_{max} 3059, 1759, 1742, 1702, 1682, 1593, 1491, 1351, 1254, 1165, 1103, 1036, 948, 760, 731, 701 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₄₅H₃₈NO₇⁺ [M+NH₄]⁺ 704.2643, found 704.2631.

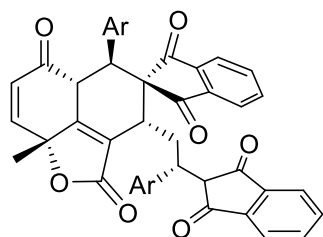
3'-(2-(1,3-Dioxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-2-yl)-2-(m-tolyl)ethyl)-8a'-methyl-5'-(m-tolyl)-3',5',5a',8a'-tetrahydro-2'H,6'H-spiro[indene-2,4'-naphtho[1,8-bc]furan]-1,2',3,6'-tetraone (3al)



3al (Ar = 3-MeC₆H₄)

83% yield (57.0 mg), PE/EtOAc = 2:1, pale yellow solid, mp 184–186 °C. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.02 (dd, *J* = 5.6, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.91 – 7.82 (m, 3H), 7.76 – 7.56 (m, 5H), 7.11 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 6.99 – 6.89 (m, 3H), 6.77 (dd, *J* = 10.0, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 6.72 – 6.60 (m, 3H), 6.00 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 4.06 (s, 1H), 3.97 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 1H), 3.51 (s, 1H), 3.34 (d, *J* = 4.1 Hz, 1H), 2.80 (s, 1H), 2.67 – 2.38 (m, 2H), 2.22 (s, 3H), 2.01 (s, 3H), 1.85 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 200.0, 199.8, 199.4, 199.1, 193.7, 168.8, 163.6, 145.6, 142.6, 142.1, 141.3, 140.8, 138.4, 138.0, 137.6, 137.1, 135.73, 135.65, 134.8, 130.0, 129.5, 129.0, 128.03, 127.96, 127.5, 127.4, 125.7, 124.2, 123.5, 123.1, 122.4, 122.3, 80.7, 59.8, 56.3, 49.9, 43.8, 41.4, 34.6, 32.3, 24.3, 21.1, 20.8; IR (film) ν_{max} 2923, 1760, 1742, 1702, 1682, 1592, 1351, 1276, 1254, 1165, 1102, 1040, 950, 782, 765 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₄₅H₃₈NO₇⁺ [M+NH₄]⁺ 704.2643, found 704.2633.

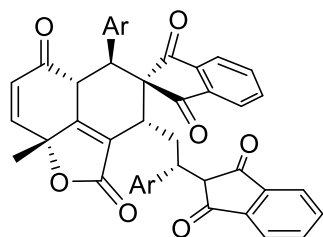
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3am (Ar = 4-MeC₆H₄)

78% yield (53.6 mg), PE/EtOAc = 2:1, pale yellow solid, mp 186–190 °C. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.01 (dd, *J* = 5.3, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.92 – 7.81 (m, 3H), 7.76 – 7.66 (m, 2H), 7.60 (dd, *J* = 6.2, 2.8 Hz, 2H), 7.11 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 7.01 (dd, *J* = 16.6, 8.0 Hz, 4H), 6.76 – 6.66 (m, 4H), 6.00 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 3.99 (t, *J* = 5.9 Hz, 2H), 3.54 (s, 1H), 3.34 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.83 (s, 1H), 2.64 – 2.35 (m, 2H), 2.20 (s, 3H), 2.02 (s, 3H), 1.84 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.9, 199.5, 199.2, 193.7, 168.8, 163.6, 145.5, 142.5, 142.1, 141.3, 140.8, 136.8, 136.0, 135.74, 135.67, 135.5, 135.2, 134.8, 134.7, 128.9, 128.8, 128.5, 128.3, 124.2, 123.5, 123.2, 122.4, 122.3, 80.7, 59.8, 56.3, 50.1, 43.5, 41.1, 34.4, 32.4, 24.3, 20.6, 20.5; IR (film) ν_{max} 2923, 1759, 1742, 1702, 1683, 1593, 1515, 1350, 1254, 1099, 1040, 765, 736, 526 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₄₅H₃₅O₇⁺ [M+H]⁺ 687.2377, found 687.2378.

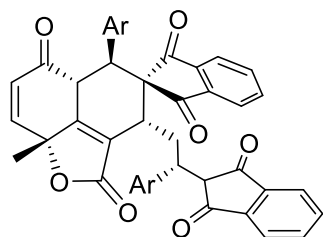
3'-(2-(1,3-Dioxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-2-yl)-2-(4-ethylphenyl)ethyl)-5'-(4-ethylphenyl)-8a'-methyl-3',5',5a',8a'-tetrahydro-2'H,6'H-spiro[indene-2,4'-naphtho[1,8-bc]furan]-1,2',3,6'-tetraone (3an)



3an (Ar = 4-EtC₆H₄)

90% yield (64.3 mg), PE/EtOAc = 2:1, pale yellow solid, mp 178–181 °C. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.06 – 7.98 (m, 1H), 7.87 (dd, *J* = 10.1, 6.2 Hz, 3H), 7.74 – 7.67 (m, 2H), 7.61 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 5.5 Hz, 2H), 7.15 – 7.00 (m, 5H), 6.76 (q, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 4H), 6.02 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 4.03 (s, 2H), 3.61 (s, 1H), 3.38 (d, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 2.91 (s, 1H), 2.67 – 2.24 (m, 7H), 1.86 (s, 3H), 1.14 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 3H), 0.98 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.9, 199.5, 199.4, 193.6, 168.9, 163.6, 145.5, 143.0, 142.5, 142.3, 142.1, 141.2, 140.8, 135.7, 135.7, 134.70, 134.65, 128.9, 128.8, 128.5, 127.7, 127.1, 124.3, 123.5, 123.2, 122.4, 122.3, 80.7, 59.9, 56.2, 50.2, 43.5, 41.1, 34.4, 32.3, 29.3, 27.9, 27.8, 24.2, 14.72, 14.69; IR (film) ν_{max} 2930, 1759, 1742, 1702, 1682, 1593, 1350, 1264, 1164, 1099, 1039, 834, 764, 732, 703, 594, 530 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₄₇H₃₉O₇⁺ [M+H]⁺ 715.2690, found 715.2693.

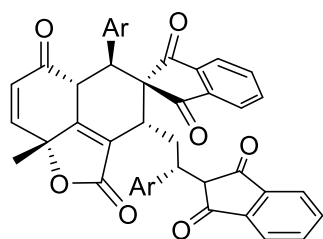
3'-(2-(1,3-Dioxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-2-yl)-2-(3-methoxyphenyl)ethyl)-5'-(3-methoxyphenyl)-8a'-methyl-3',5',5a',8a'-tetrahydro-2'H,6'H-spiro[indene-2,4'-naphtho[1,8-bc]furan]-1,2',3,6'-tetraone (3ao)



3ao (Ar = 3-OMeC₆H₄)

81% yield (58.2 mg), PE/EtOAc = 2:1, pale yellow solid, mp 160–162 °C. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.02 (dd, *J* = 5.6, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.85 (t, *J* = 5.7 Hz, 3H), 7.75 – 7.66 (m, 2H), 7.63 – 7.57 (m, 2H), 7.09 (dd, *J* = 13.7, 8.9 Hz, 2H), 6.71 (dt, *J* = 26.3, 8.1 Hz, 4H), 6.49 (s, 1H), 6.41 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 6.31 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.00 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 4.13 – 4.04 (m, 1H), 3.96 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 1H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 3.57 (s, 3H), 3.33 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.82 (s, 1H), 2.56 (s, 2H), 1.84 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.8, 199.3, 199.0, 193.6, 168.8, 163.6, 159.0, 158.7, 145.5, 142.6, 142.0, 141.2, 140.7, 140.0, 139.5, 135.8, 135.7, 135.4, 134.8, 134.8, 129.1, 129.0, 128.5, 124.1, 123.5, 123.2, 122.4, 122.3, 121.2, 115.0, 113.5, 113.2, 112.7, 80.7, 59.6, 56.4, 54.8, 54.6, 49.8, 44.0, 41.6, 34.6, 32.2, 24.3; IR (film) *v*_{max} 2934, 1759, 1742, 1702, 1682, 1594, 1489, 1455, 1326, 1264, 1163, 1102, 1040, 733, 701 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₄₅H₃₈NO₉⁺ [M+NH₄]⁺ 736.2541, found 736.2538.

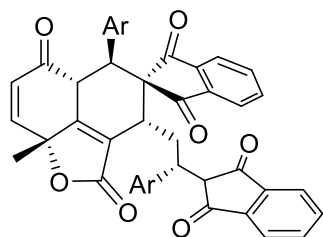
3'-(2-(1,3-Dioxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-2-yl)-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)ethyl)-5'-(4-methoxyphenyl)-8a'-methyl-3',5',5a',8a'-tetrahydro-2'H,6'H-spiro[indene-2,4'-naphtho[1,8-bc]furan]-1,2',3,6'-tetraone (3ap)



3ap (Ar = 4-OMeC₆H₄)

48% yield (34.5 mg), PE/EtOAc = 2:1, pale yellow solid, mp 163–166 °C. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.02 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 7.86 (d, *J* = 5.5 Hz, 3H), 7.77 – 7.58 (m, 4H), 7.09 (dd, *J* = 14.1, 9.1 Hz, 3H), 6.73 (dd, *J* = 15.9, 8.5 Hz, 4H), 6.43 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.01 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 3.99 (t, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 2H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 3.54 (s, 4H), 3.32 (d, *J* = 3.4 Hz, 1H), 2.80 (s, 1H), 2.55 (s, 2H), 1.84 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 200.4, 200.0, 199.7, 194.2, 169.3, 158.7, 158.3, 145.9, 142.9, 142.4, 141.6, 141.1, 136.2, 136.1, 135.2, 131.2, 130.8, 130.1, 129.4, 128.6, 128.5, 123.8, 123.6, 122.8, 122.7, 113.9, 113.3, 81.1, 60.2, 56.9, 55.1, 54.9, 50.4, 43.4, 41.0, 29.7, 24.7, 14.2; IR (film) *v*_{max} 2986, 1760, 1705, 1683, 1593, 1475, 1438, 1351, 1264, 1177, 1098, 1037, 896, 733, 703, 596 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₄₅H₃₈NO₉⁺ [M+NH₄]⁺ 736.2541, found 736.2524.

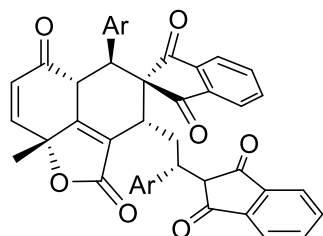
5'-(2,5-Dimethylphenyl)-3'-(2-(2,5-dimethylphenyl)-2-(1,3-dioxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-2-yl)ethyl)-8a'-methyl-3',5',5a',8a'-tetrahydro-2'H,6'H-spiro[indene-2,4'-naphtho[1,8-bc]furan]-1,2',3,6'-tetraone (3aq)



3aq (Ar = 2,5-Me₂C₆H₃)

56% yield (40.0 mg), PE/EtOAc = 2:1, pale yellow solid, mp 175–177 °C. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.00 – 7.92 (m, 2H), 7.89 – 7.81 (m, 3H), 7.74 – 7.62 (m, 3H), 7.17 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 6.99 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 6.81 (t, *J* = 9.6 Hz, 3H), 6.68 (q, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 6.03 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 4.26 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.12 (s, 1H), 3.71 (s, 1H), 3.44 (d, *J* = 4.9 Hz, 1H), 2.73 (s, 2H), 2.51 – 2.34 (m, 4H), 2.03 (s, 6H), 1.88 (s, 3H), 1.75 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 201.0, 200.5, 199.4, 198.9, 193.9, 168.9, 164.2, 145.7, 142.9, 142.2, 141.4, 141.1, 136.9, 136.7, 135.7, 135.0, 134.8, 132.6, 130.5, 129.8, 129.1, 128.6, 127.6, 127.1, 126.4, 124.2, 123.5, 122.8, 122.4, 122.2, 80.5, 59.1, 56.5, 50.6, 38.6, 36.6, 35.3, 33.4, 29.4, 24.6, 20.6, 20.5, 19.4, 18.4; IR (film) ν_{max} 2918, 1760, 1742, 1704, 1682, 1593, 1504, 1352, 1265, 1222, 1106, 1037, 814, 735, 703 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₄₇H₃₉O₇ [M+H]⁺ 715.2690, found 715.2688.

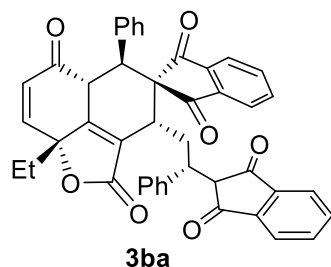
3'-(2-(1,3-Dioxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-2-yl)-2-(naphthalen-1-yl)ethyl)-8a'-methyl-5'-(naphthalen-1-yl)-3',5',5a',8a'-tetrahydro-2'H,6'H-spiro[indene-2,4'-naphtho[1,8-bc]furan]-1,2',3,6'-tetraone (3ar)



3ar (Ar = 1-naphthyl)

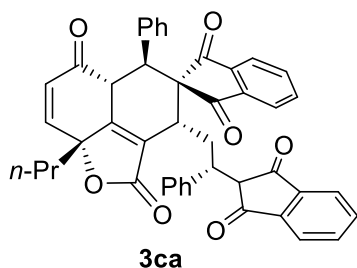
69% yield (52.4 mg), PE/EtOAc = 2:1, pale yellow solid, mp 202–205 °C. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.98 (d, *J* = 5.3 Hz, 2H), 7.92 – 7.85 (m, 2H), 7.84 – 7.75 (m, 3H), 7.71 – 7.65 (m, 2H), 7.56 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.52 – 7.42 (m, 6H), 7.37 – 7.27 (m, 3H), 7.26 – 7.07 (m, 5H), 6.02 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 5.05 (d, *J* = 5.3 Hz, 1H), 4.59 (s, 1H), 4.06 (s, 1H), 3.45 (s, 1H), 2.97 (s, 1H), 2.69 (d, *J* = 30.6 Hz, 2H), 1.84 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 200.5, 199.9, 199.4, 193.6, 169.0, 145.9, 142.9, 142.2, 141.8, 141.3, 136.3, 136.18, 136.15, 135.1, 133.7, 133.6, 132.6, 131.6, 129.1, 128.9, 128.5, 128.3, 127.5, 126.3, 125.9, 125.6, 125.1, 125.0, 124.2, 124.1, 123.7, 122.8, 122.6, 81.0, 59.6, 56.3, 52.0, 37.5, 35.3, 31.0, 29.7, 24.7; IR (film) ν_{max} 3053, 1759, 1742, 1702, 1682, 1593, 1350, 1320, 1264, 1164, 1098, 1037, 799, 780, 765, 733, 702 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₅₁H₃₈NO₇⁺ [M+NH₄]⁺ 776.2643, found 776.2637.

3'-(2-(1,3-Dioxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-2-yl)-2-phenylethyl)-8a'-ethyl-5'-phenyl-3',5',5a',8a'-tetrahydro-2'H,6'H-spiro[indene-2,4'-naphtho[1,8-bc]furan]-1,2',3,6'-tetraone (3ba)



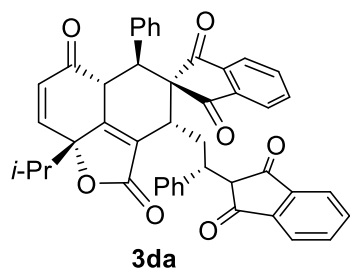
84% yield (56.5 mg), PE/EtOAc = 2:1, pale yellow solid, mp 190–193 °C. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.03 (dd, J = 5.5, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.87 (t, J = 5.6 Hz, 3H), 7.74 – 7.65 (m, 2H), 7.60 (dt, J = 5.4, 3.5 Hz, 2H), 7.21 – 7.09 (m, 6H), 6.85 (dt, J = 6.7, 4.4 Hz, 5H), 6.04 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 3.98 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 3.54 (s, 1H), 3.34 (d, J = 3.9 Hz, 1H), 2.84 (s, 1H), 2.66 – 2.44 (m, 2H), 2.26 (dq, J = 14.5, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 2.04 – 1.89 (m, 1H), 1.16 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 199.9, 199.8, 199.6, 199.2, 193.9, 169.0, 161.8, 145.7, 142.5, 142.0, 141.2, 140.7, 138.5, 138.0, 135.9, 135.8, 134.9, 134.8, 129.1, 129.0, 128.8, 128.2, 128.0, 127.8, 127.6, 127.2, 126.7, 125.5, 123.5, 123.3, 122.4, 83.5, 59.7, 56.4, 49.7, 44.1, 41.8, 34.7, 32.3, 30.8, 7.3; IR (film) ν_{max} 3032, 1760, 1742, 1704, 1683, 1593, 1455, 1352, 1276, 1253, 1101, 1037, 764 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{44}\text{H}_{33}\text{O}_7^+$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 673.2221, found 673.2221.

3'-(2-(1,3-Dioxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-2-yl)-2-phenylethyl)-5'-phenyl-8a'-propyl-3',5',5a',8a'-tetrahydro-2'H,6'H-spiro[indene-2,4'-naphtho[1,8-bc]furan]-1,2',3,6'-tetraone (3ca)



59% yield (40.5 mg), PE/EtOAc = 2:1, pale yellow solid, mp 164–167 °C. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.05 (dd, J = 5.5, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.94 – 7.86 (m, 3H), 7.77 – 7.68 (m, 2H), 7.67 – 7.61 (m, 2H), 7.19 (dd, J = 11.0, 8.0 Hz, 6H), 6.91 (d, J = 5.1 Hz, 3H), 6.88 – 6.83 (m, 2H), 6.06 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 4.00 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 3.56 (s, 1H), 3.36 (d, J = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.86 (s, 1H), 2.70 – 2.47 (m, 2H), 2.27 – 2.13 (m, 1H), 1.98 – 1.84 (m, 1H), 1.72 (d, J = 12.2 Hz, 1H), 1.64 – 1.46 (m, 1H), 1.06 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 199.9, 199.8, 199.6, 199.2, 193.9, 169.0, 162.1, 145.7, 142.5, 142.0, 141.2, 140.8, 138.5, 135.81, 135.75, 134.81, 134.77, 129.0, 128.7, 128.2, 127.8, 127.6, 127.2, 126.7, 125.2, 123.5, 123.3, 122.38, 122.35, 83.3, 59.7, 56.4, 49.7, 44.2, 41.9, 39.8, 34.6, 32.2, 16.4, 13.8; IR (film) ν_{max} 3032, 1760, 1742, 1704, 1683, 1593, 1455, 1352, 1276, 1253, 1101, 1037, 764 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{45}\text{H}_{34}\text{O}_7\text{Na}^+$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 709.2197, found 709.2197.

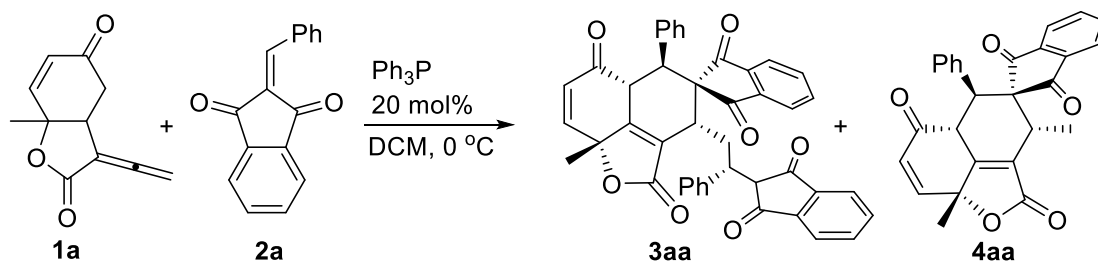
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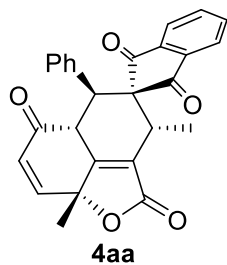
89% yield (61.1 mg), PE/EtOAc = 2:1, pale yellow solid, mp 166–169 °C. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.03 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 7.90 – 7.82 (m, 3H), 7.76 – 7.55 (m, 5H), 7.23 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 7.18 – 7.09 (m, 4H), 6.94 – 6.86 (m, 3H), 6.84 – 6.78 (m, 2H), 6.08 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 4.06 (s, 1H), 3.90 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 3.47 (s, 1H), 3.33 (d, *J* = 3.9 Hz, 1H), 2.79 (s, 1H), 2.59 (s, 2H), 2.27 (dt, *J* = 13.5, 6.8 Hz, 1H), 1.24 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 1.15 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 200.0, 199.81, 199.75, 199.1, 194.1, 169.2, 161.9, 146.2, 142.5, 142.0, 141.3, 140.7, 138.5, 137.7, 135.9, 135.8, 134.9, 134.8, 129.4, 129.0, 128.9, 128.6, 128.1, 128.0, 127.8, 127.6, 127.1, 126.7, 125.5, 123.4, 123.3, 122.4, 85.6, 59.6, 56.7, 49.5, 44.3, 42.2, 36.6, 35.1, 32.4, 16.63, 16.59; IR (film) ν_{max} 3032, 1760, 1742, 1704, 1683, 1593, 1455, 1352, 1276, 1253, 1101, 1037, 764 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₄₅H₃₄O₇Na⁺ [M+Na]⁺ 709.2197, found 709.2197.

Preparation of [4 + 2] annulation product 4aa

Under an Ar atmosphere, tetrahydrobenzofuranone-derived allenates **1a** (19 mg, 0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 2-arylidene-1,3-indanedione **2a** (46.8 mg, 0.2 mmol, 2.0 equiv), Ph₃P (5.2 mg, 0.02 mmol, 20 mol %) and 1 mL of dichloromethane were added in the flask. The reaction mixture was stirred at 0 °C until the reactant was completely consumed (determined by TLC). The mixture was directly purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 4:1-2:1 as the eluent) to furnish the corresponding product **4aa** (9.3 mg, 22% yield, >20:1 dr) and **3aa** (40.8 mg, 62% yield, 8:1 dr).



3',8a'-Dimethyl-5'-phenyl-3',5',5a',8a'-tetrahydro-2'H,6'H-spiro[indene-2,4'-naphtho[1,8-bc]furan]-1,2',3,6'-tetraone (4aa)



22% yield (9.3 mg), PE/EtOAc = 4:1-2:1, White solid, mp 191–193 °C. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.90 (dd, J = 7.8, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.82 (dd, J = 9.5, 4.3 Hz, 3H), 7.22 – 7.10 (m, 6H), 6.07 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 4.06 (s, 1H), 3.97 (d, J = 6.2 Hz, 1H), 2.97 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 1.90 (s, 3H), 1.24 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 200.2, 199.1, 193.6, 169.0, 162.8, 145.4, 141.0, 138.4, 135.6, 129.0, 128.7, 128.2, 127.2, 125.0, 123.2, 123.0, 80.8, 59.6, 49.9, 41.1, 30.6, 24.3, 13.8; IR (film) ν_{max} 3032, 1760, 1742, 1704, 1683, 1593, 1455, 1352, 1276, 1253, 1101, 1037, 764 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{21}\text{O}_5$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 425.1384, found 425.1374

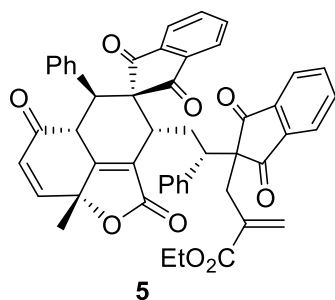
Preparation of the Product 3aa on Gram Scale.

Under an Ar atmosphere, tetrahydrobenzofuranone-derived allenoates **1a** (0.19 g, 1 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 2-arylidene-1,3-indanedione **2a** (0.47 g, 2 mmol, 2.0 equiv), Ph_2PBn (55.3 mg, 0.2 mmol, 20 mol %) and 10 mL of 1,2-dichloroethane were added in the flask. The reaction mixture was stirred at 0 °C until the reactant was completely consumed (determined by TLC). The solvent was distilled under reduced pressure and the residue was directly purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 2:1 as the eluent) to obtain the desired product **3aa** (0.55 g, 83% yield, 15:1 dr).

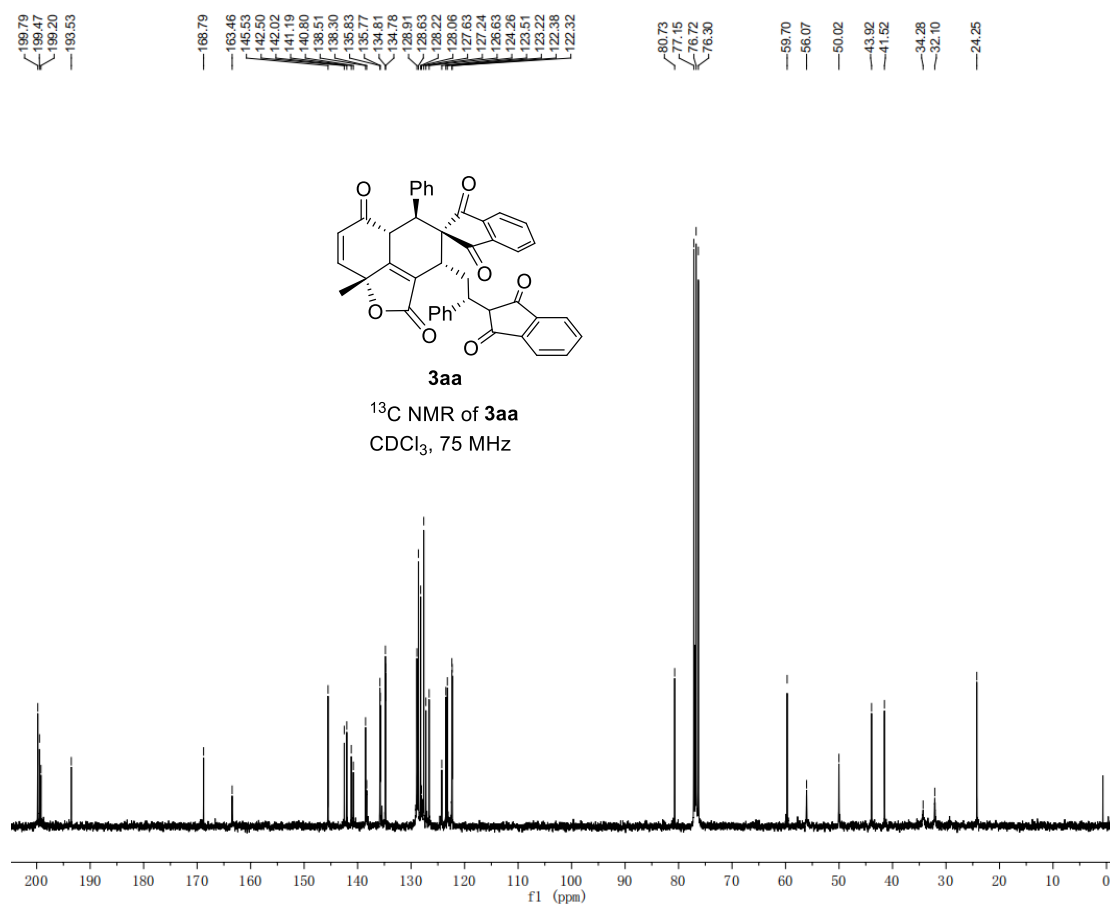
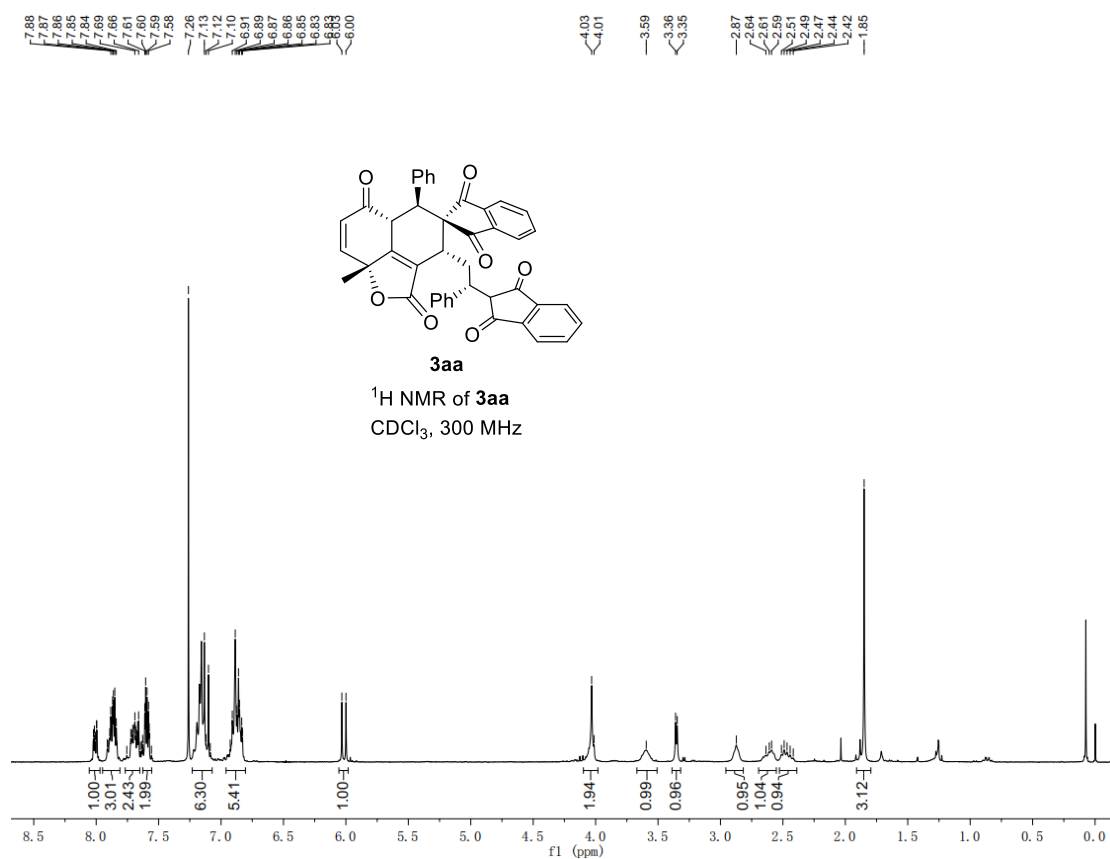
Transformation of the Product 3aa

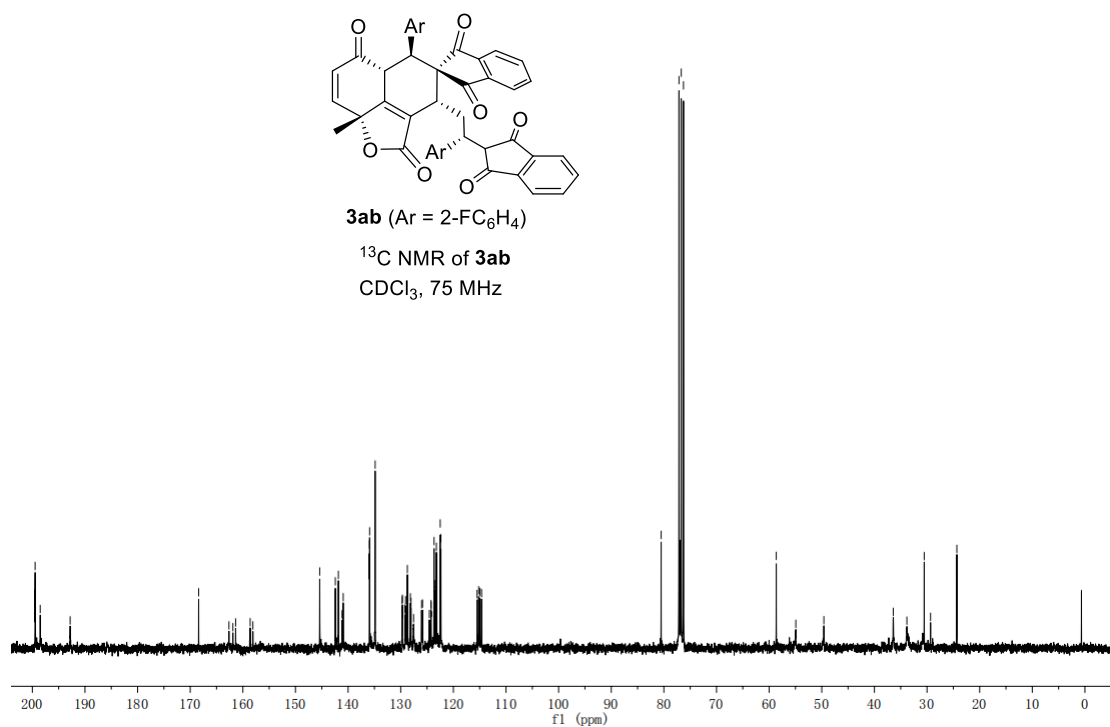
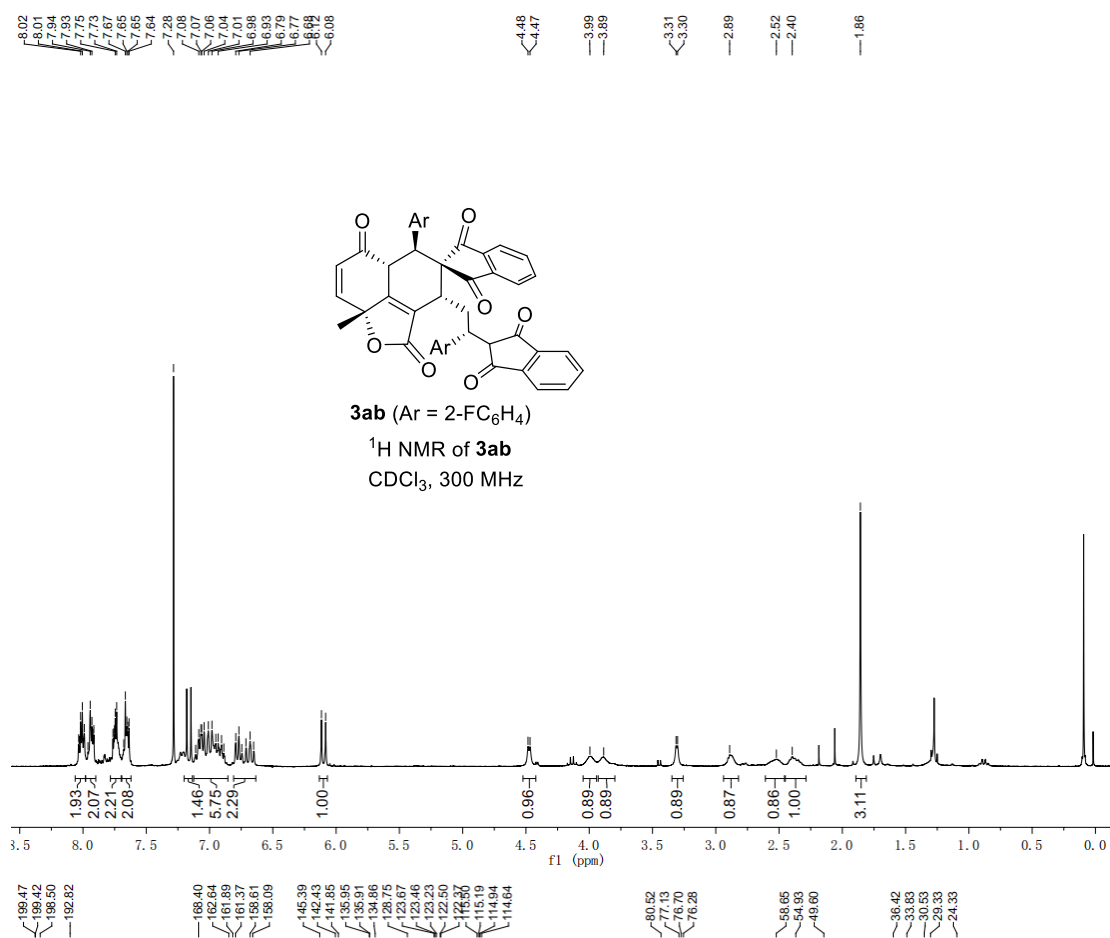
Under an Ar atmosphere, the cascade reaction product **3aa** (65.9 mg, 0.1 mmol), ethyl 2-(acetoxymethyl)acrylate (34.4 mg, 0.2 mmol, 2.0 equiv), Ph_2PBn (5.5 mg, 0.02 mmol, 20 mol %) and 1.0 mL of 1,2-dichloroethane were added in the flask. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature until the reactant was completely consumed (determined by TLC). The mixture was directly purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 2:1 as the eluent) to afford the product **5** (50.9 mg, 66% yield, 15:1 dr).

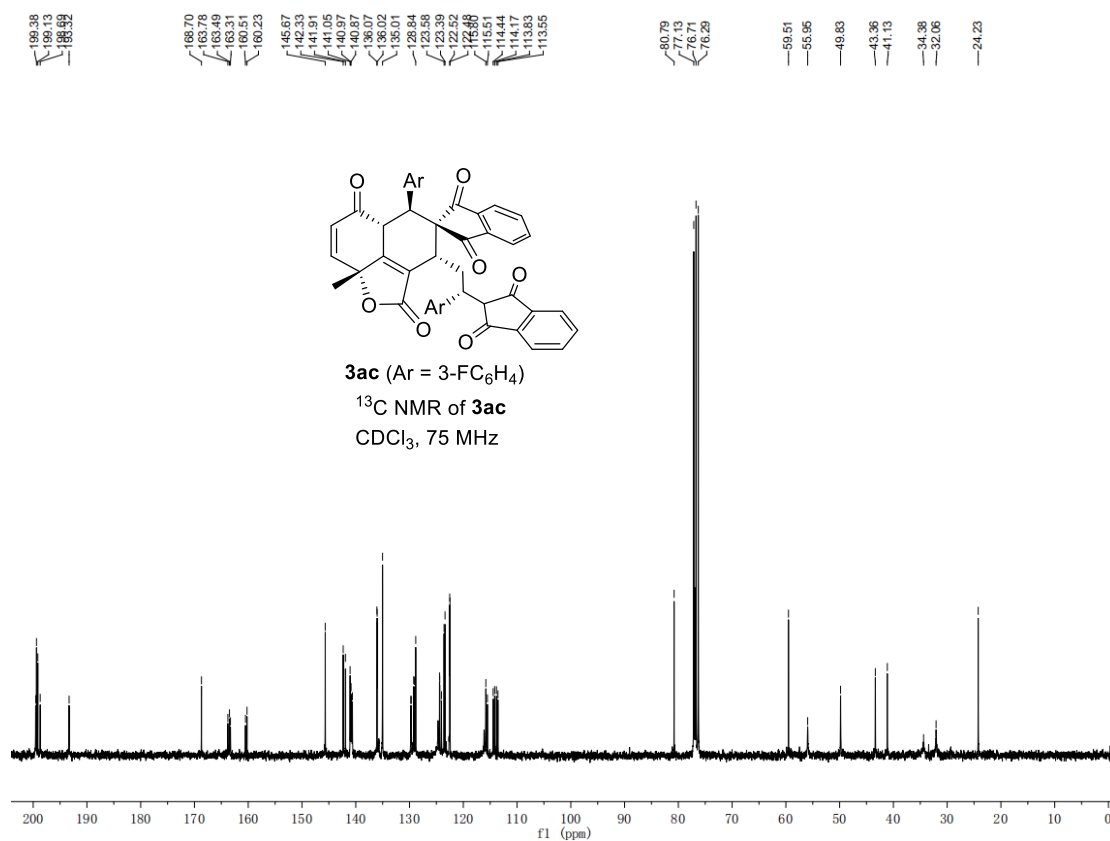
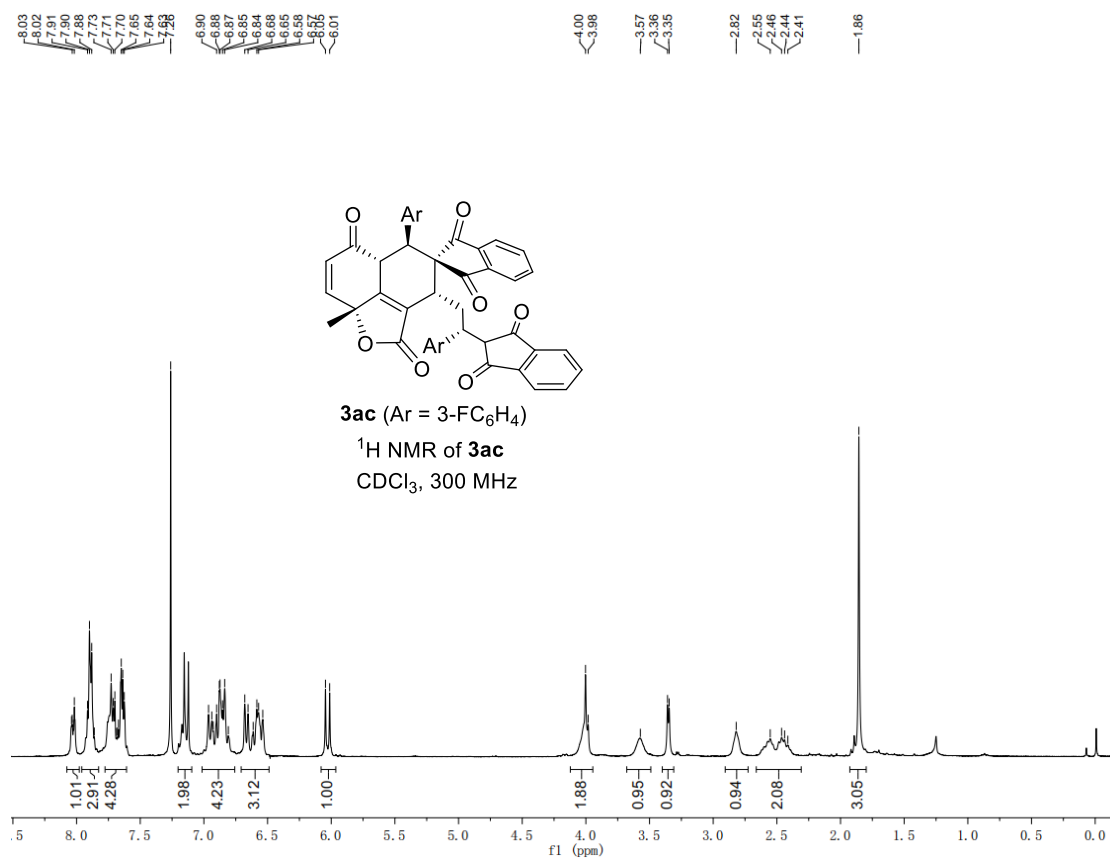
Ethyl 2-((2-((S)-2-((3'S,5'S,5a'R,8a'R)-8a'-methyl-1,2',3,6'-tetraoxo-5'-phenyl-1,3,5',5a',6',8a'-hexahydro-2'H,3'H-spiro[indene-2,4'-naphtho[1,8-bc]furan]-3'-yl)-1-phenylethyl)-1,3-dioxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-2-yl)methyl)acrylate (5)

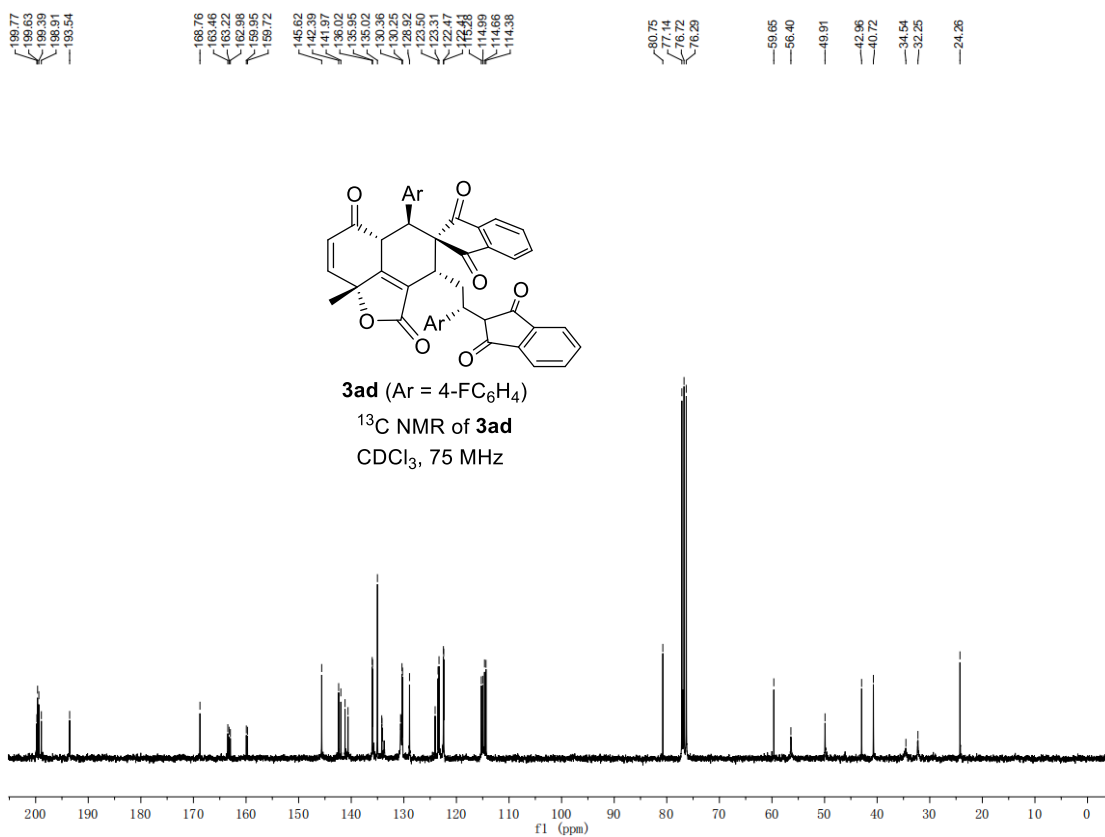
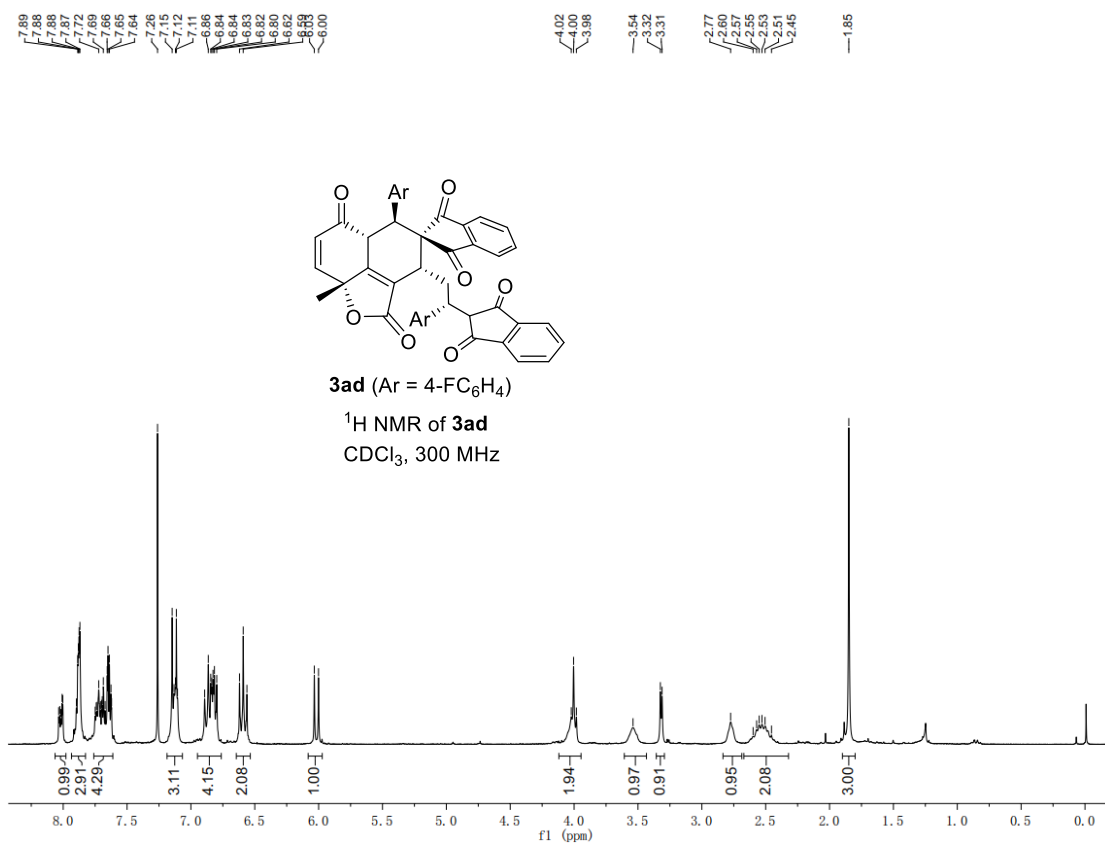


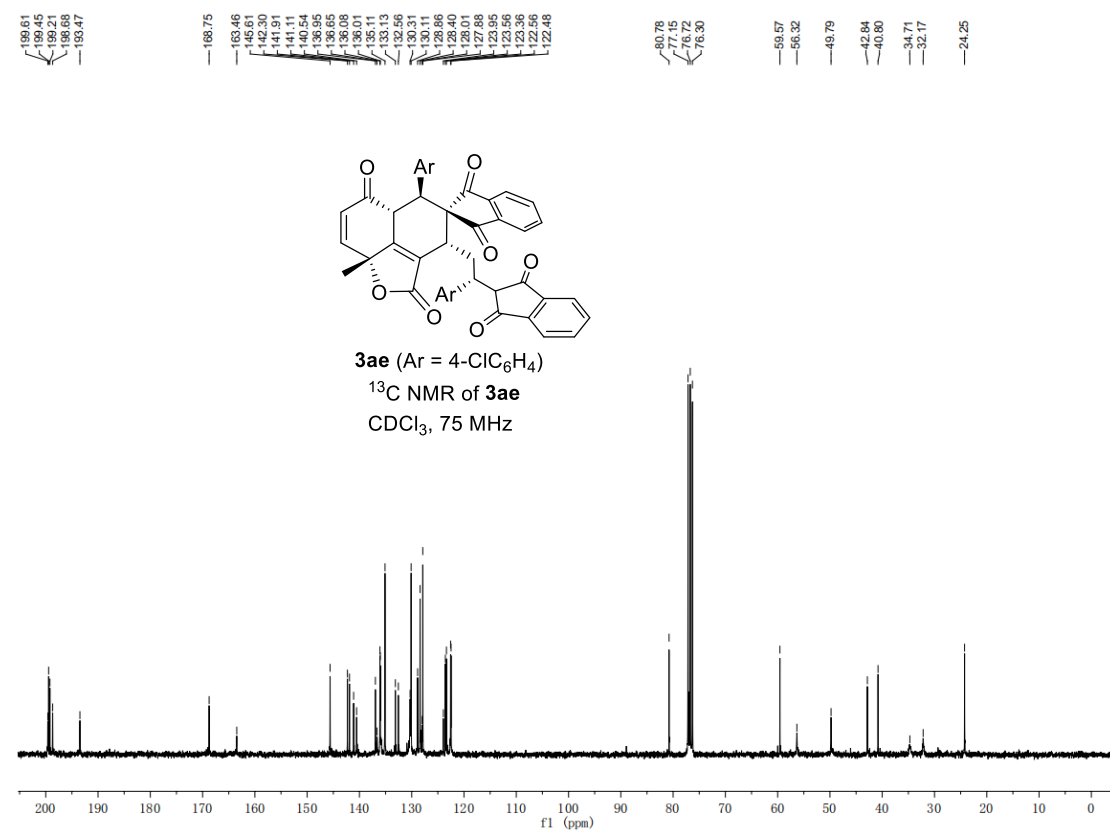
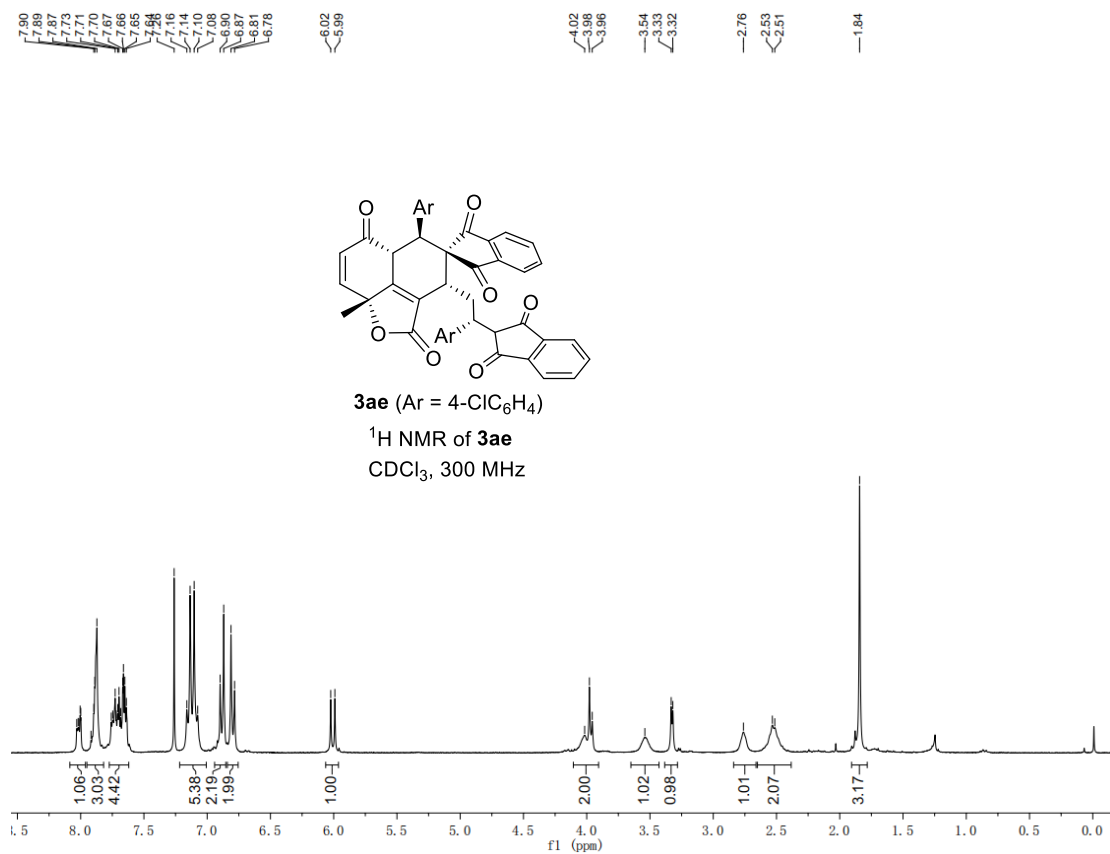
66% yield (50.9 mg), PE/EtOAc = 2:1, pale yellow solid, mp 151–154 °C. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.01 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.91 – 7.71 (m, 5H), 7.65 – 7.57 (m, 1H), 7.53 – 7.41 (m, 2H), 7.25 – 7.08 (m, 7H), 6.89 (dt, *J* = 7.7, 6.2 Hz, 1H), 6.74 (s, 3H), 5.98 (dd, *J* = 5.5, 4.2 Hz, 2H), 5.53 (s, 1H), 4.22 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 4.00 – 3.93 (m, 3H), 3.33 (d, *J* = 13.6 Hz, 1H), 3.19 – 3.01 (m, 2H), 2.79 (t, *J* = 13.1 Hz, 1H), 2.69 – 2.57 (m, 1H), 2.40 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 1.81 (s, 3H), 1.15 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 201.8, 201.6, 200.1, 199.4, 194.1, 168.6, 166.1, 163.7, 145.7, 142.6, 141.9, 141.3, 140.5, 138.2, 135.8, 135.7, 134.8, 134.7, 129.4, 129.2, 129.0, 128.0, 127.6, 127.2, 127.0, 126.8, 123.8, 123.2, 123.1, 122.0, 80.3, 61.6, 60.4, 59.4, 49.7, 49.0, 41.5, 35.0, 34.0, 27.9, 24.5, 13.6; IR (film) ν_{max} 2981, 1759, 1741, 1702, 1682, 1594, 1495, 1455, 1331, 1249, 1163, 1103, 1033, 954, 764, 735, 701, 591, 523 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₄₉H₄₂NO₉⁺ [M+NH₄]⁺ 788.2854, found 788.2838.

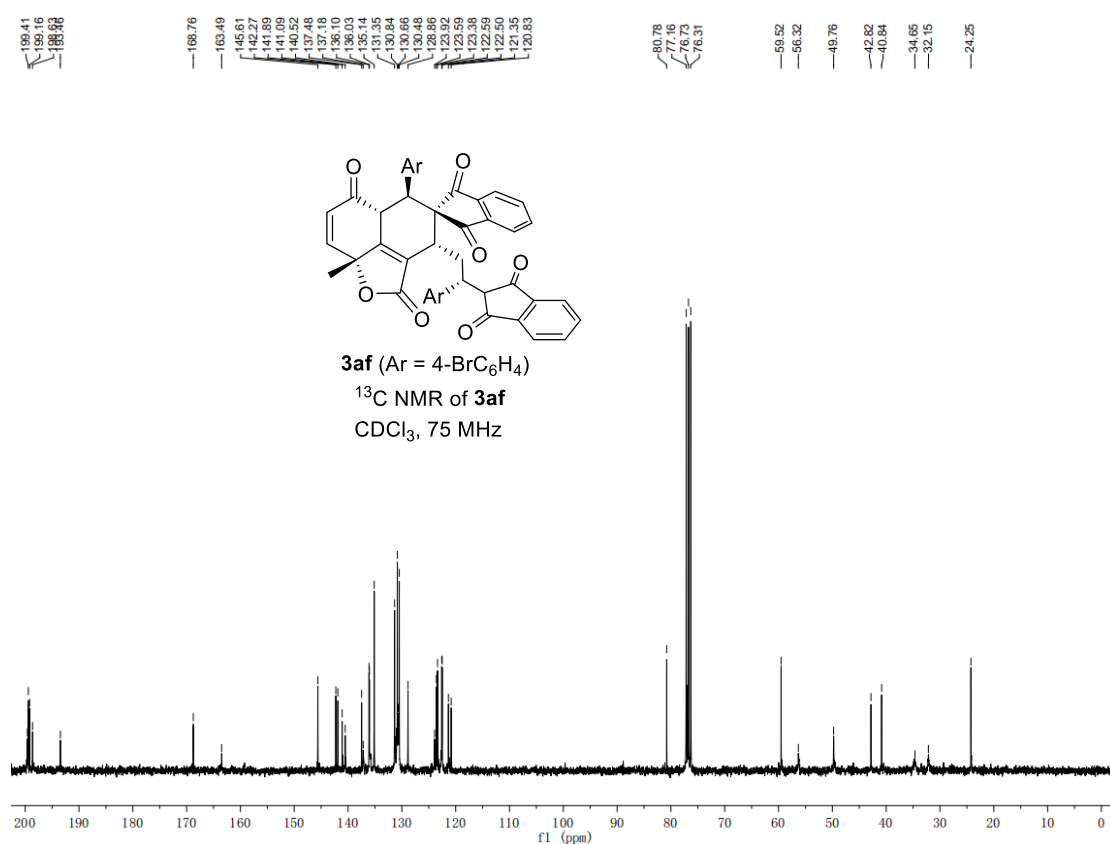
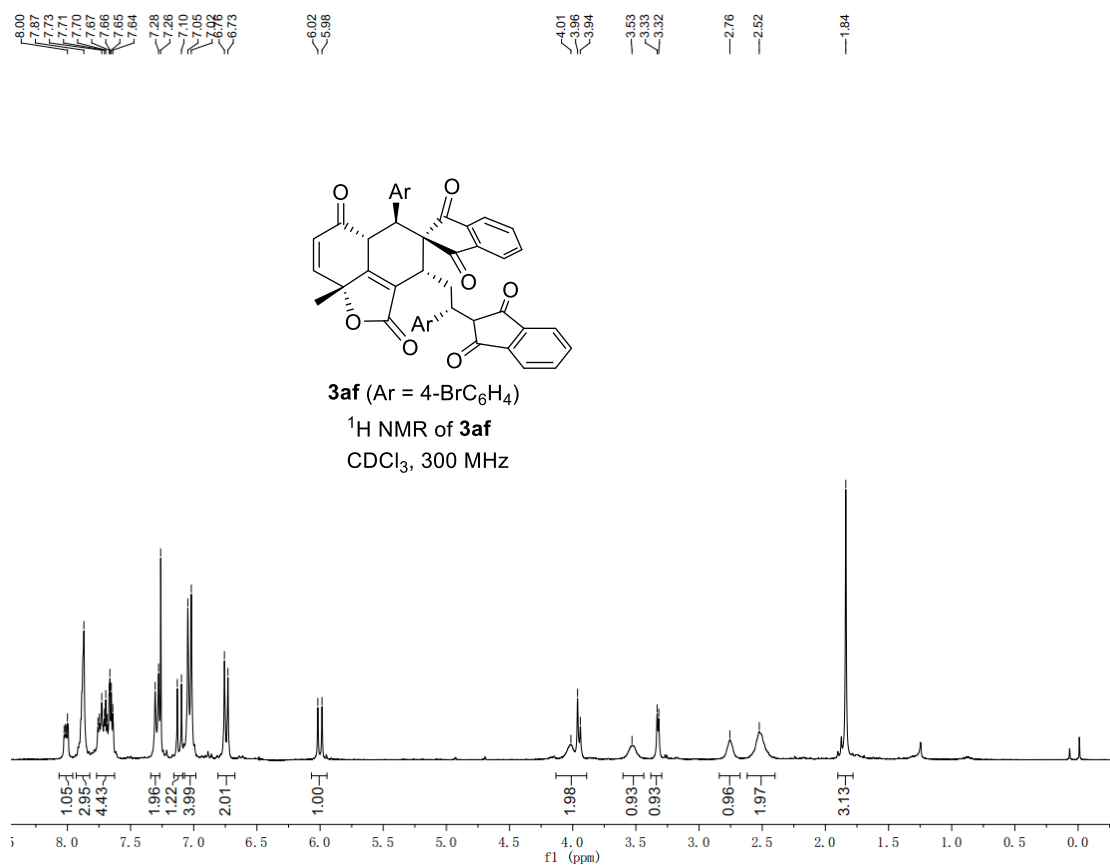


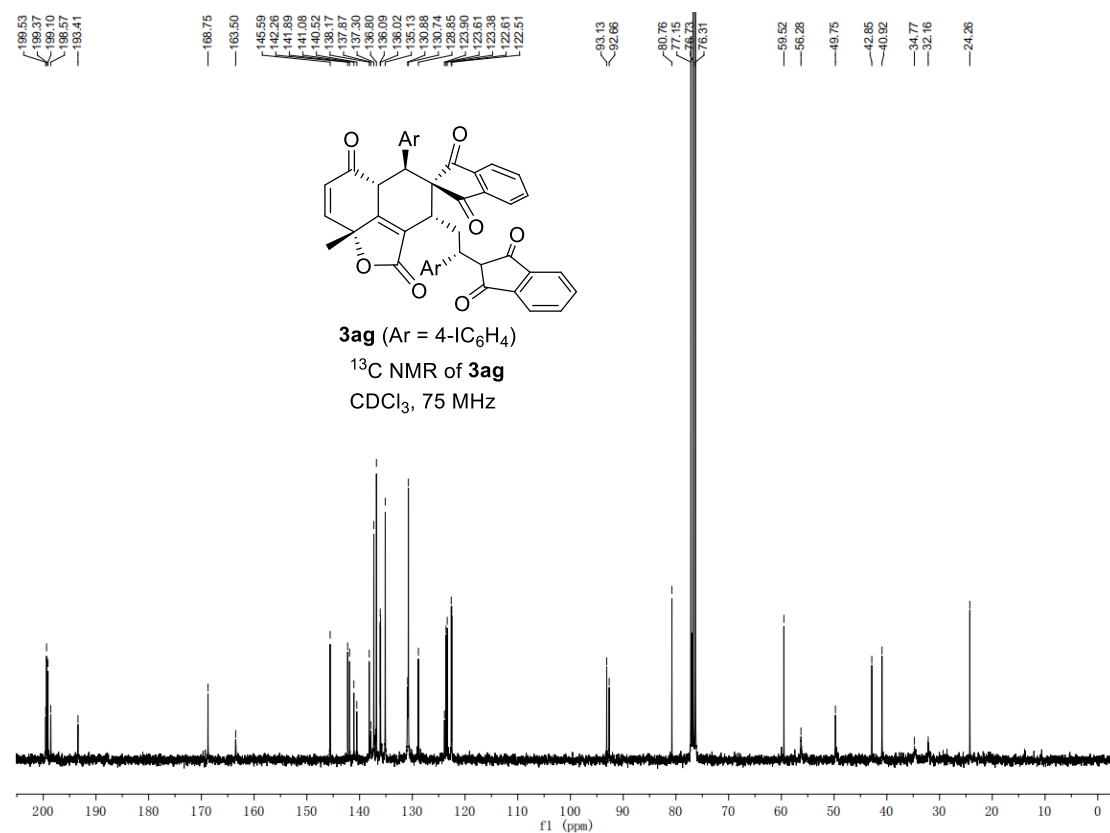
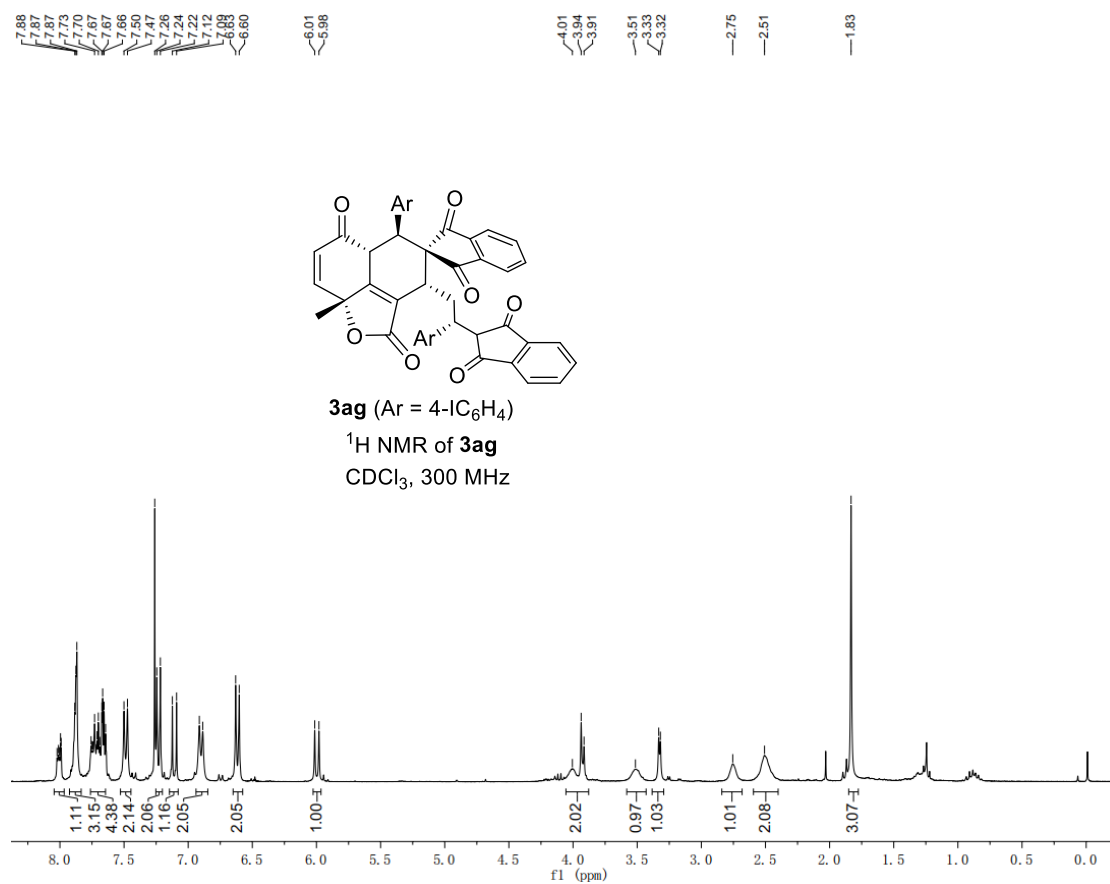


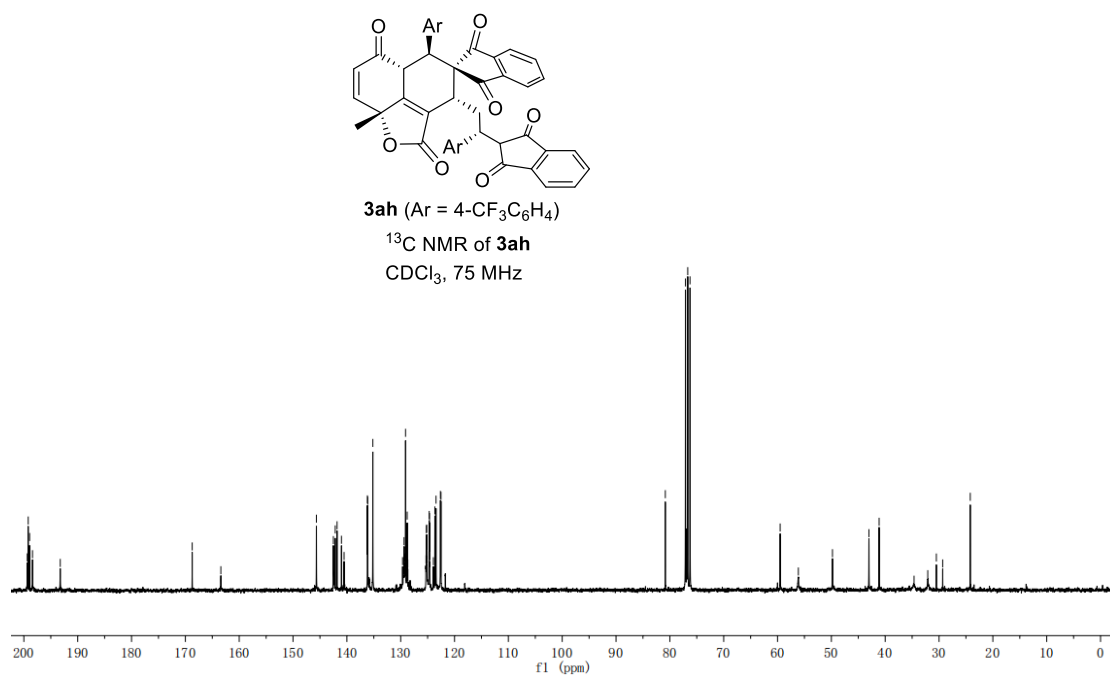
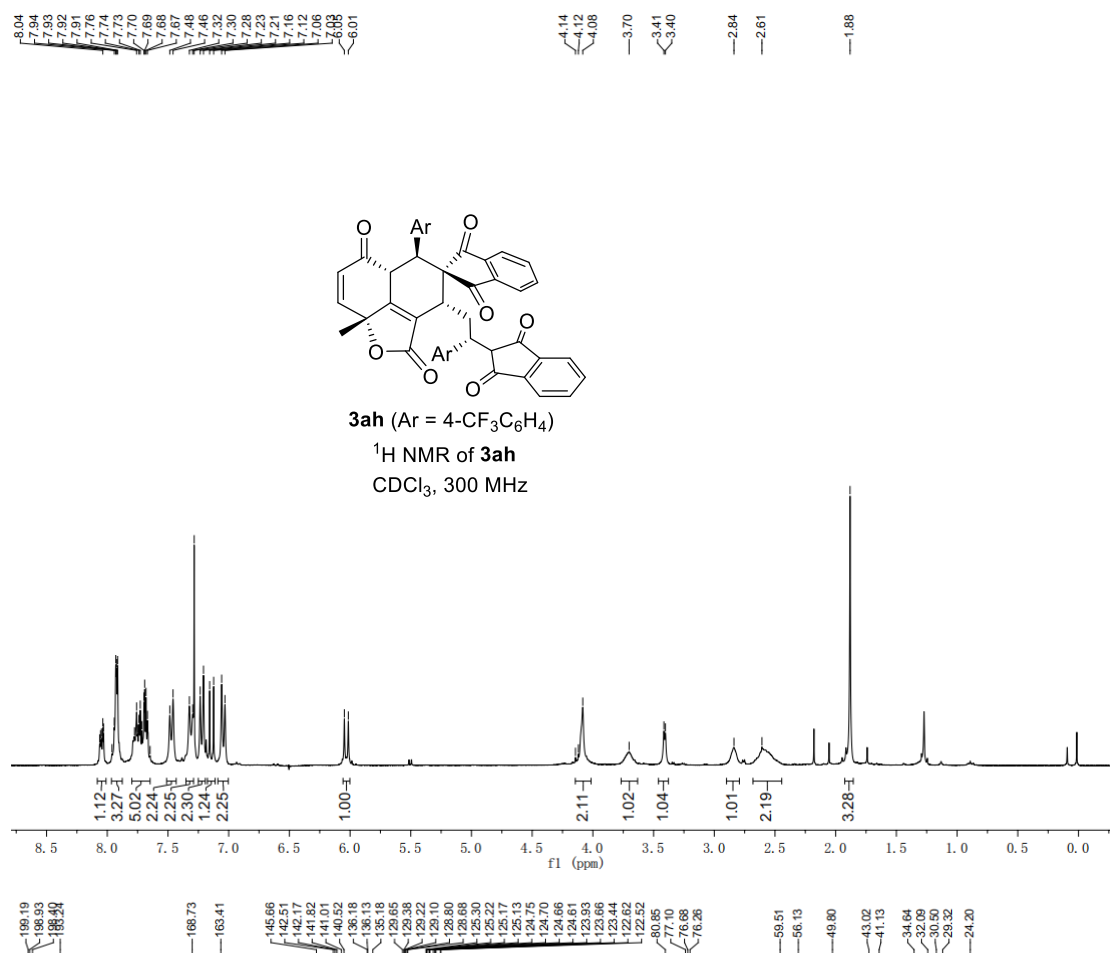


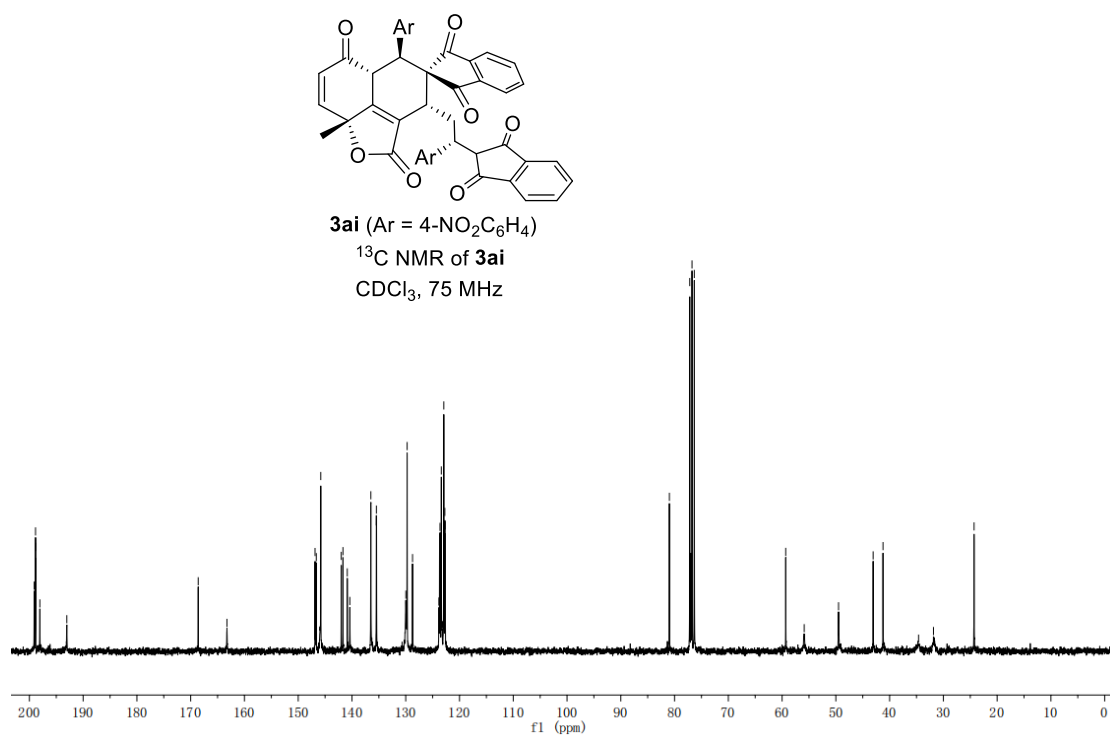
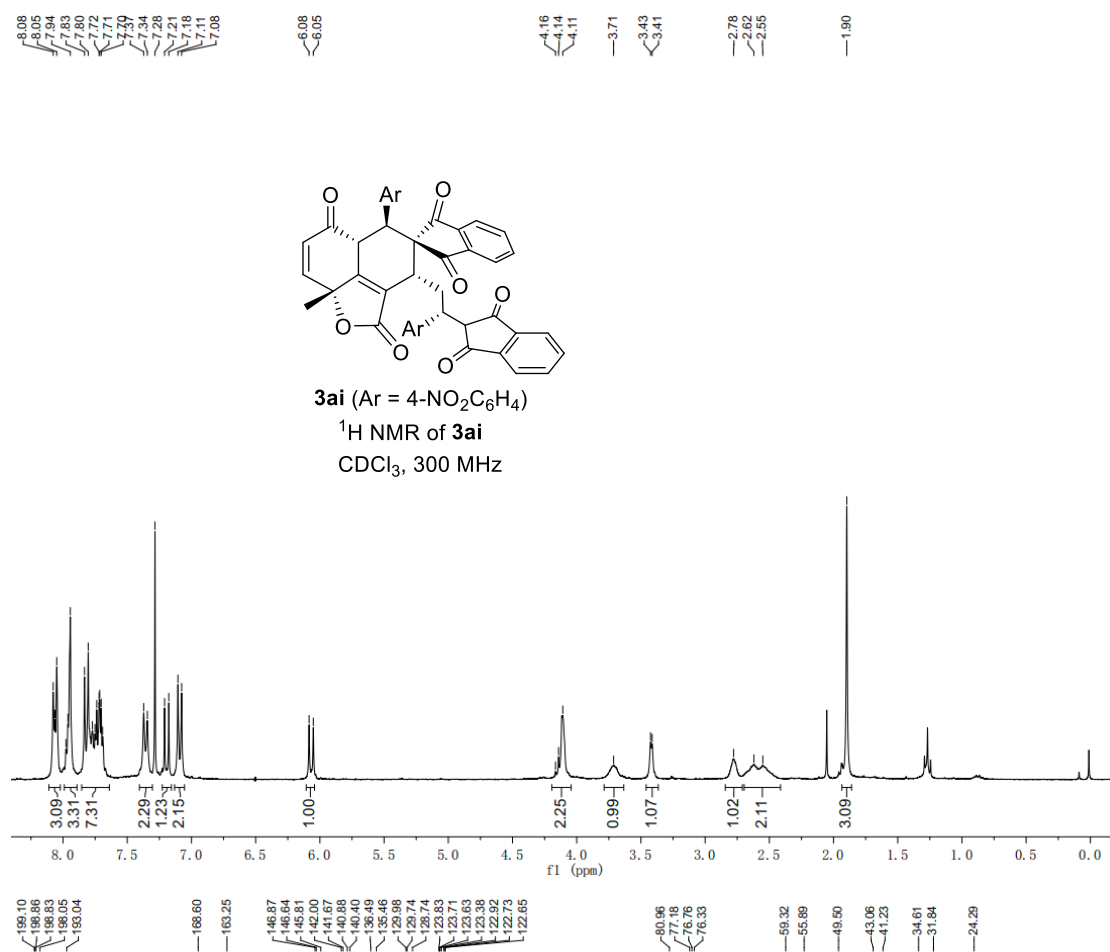


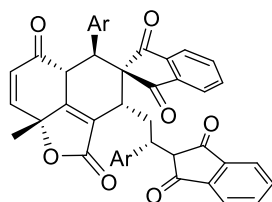






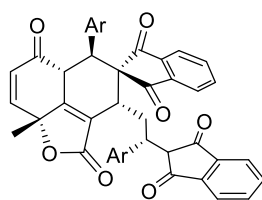
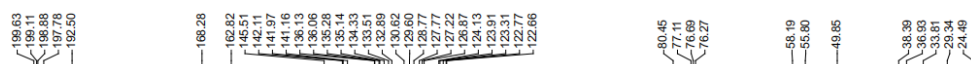
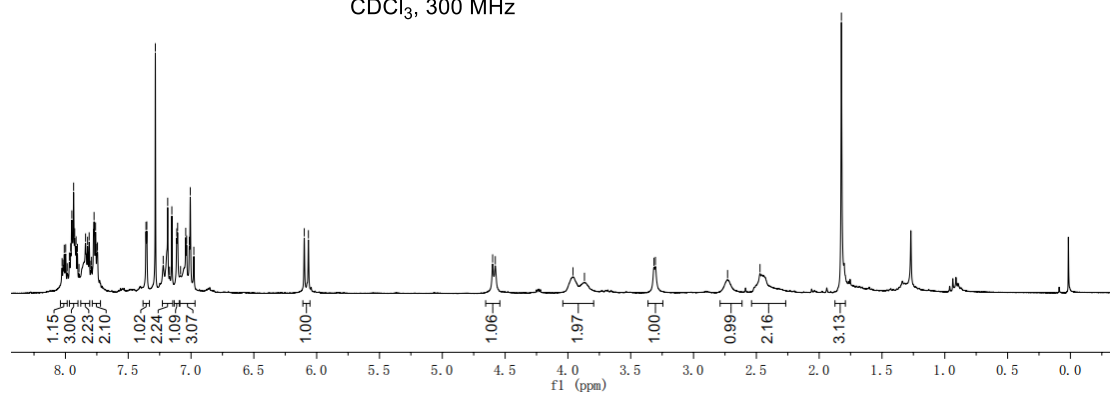






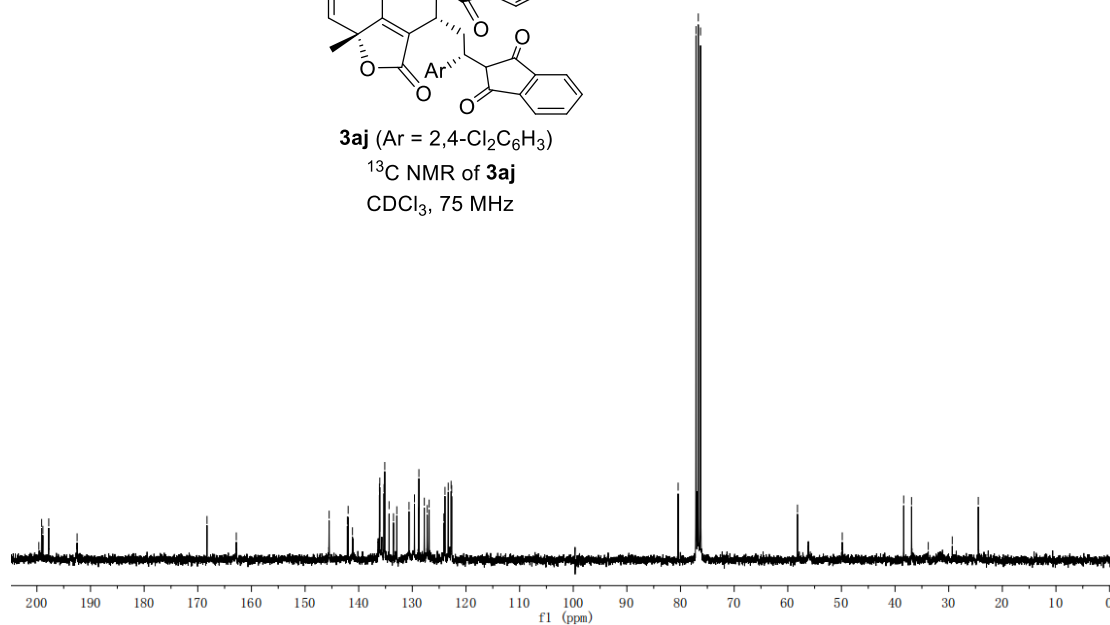
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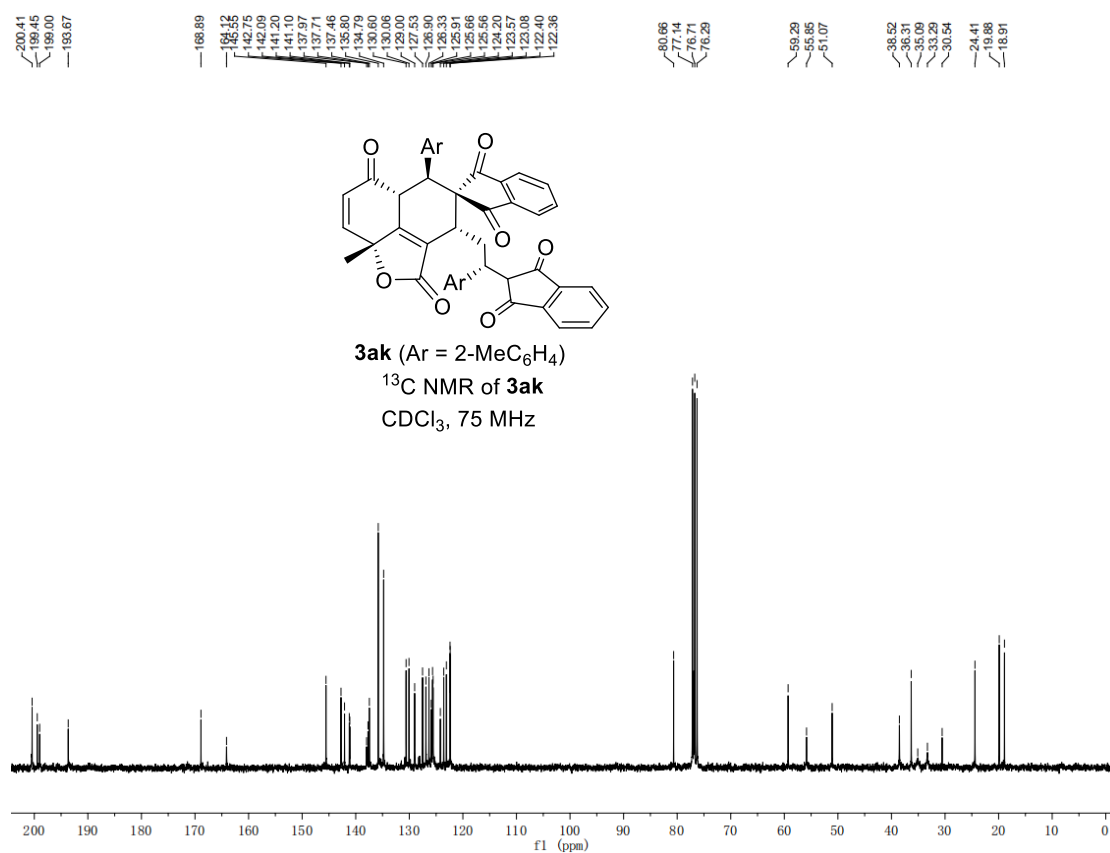
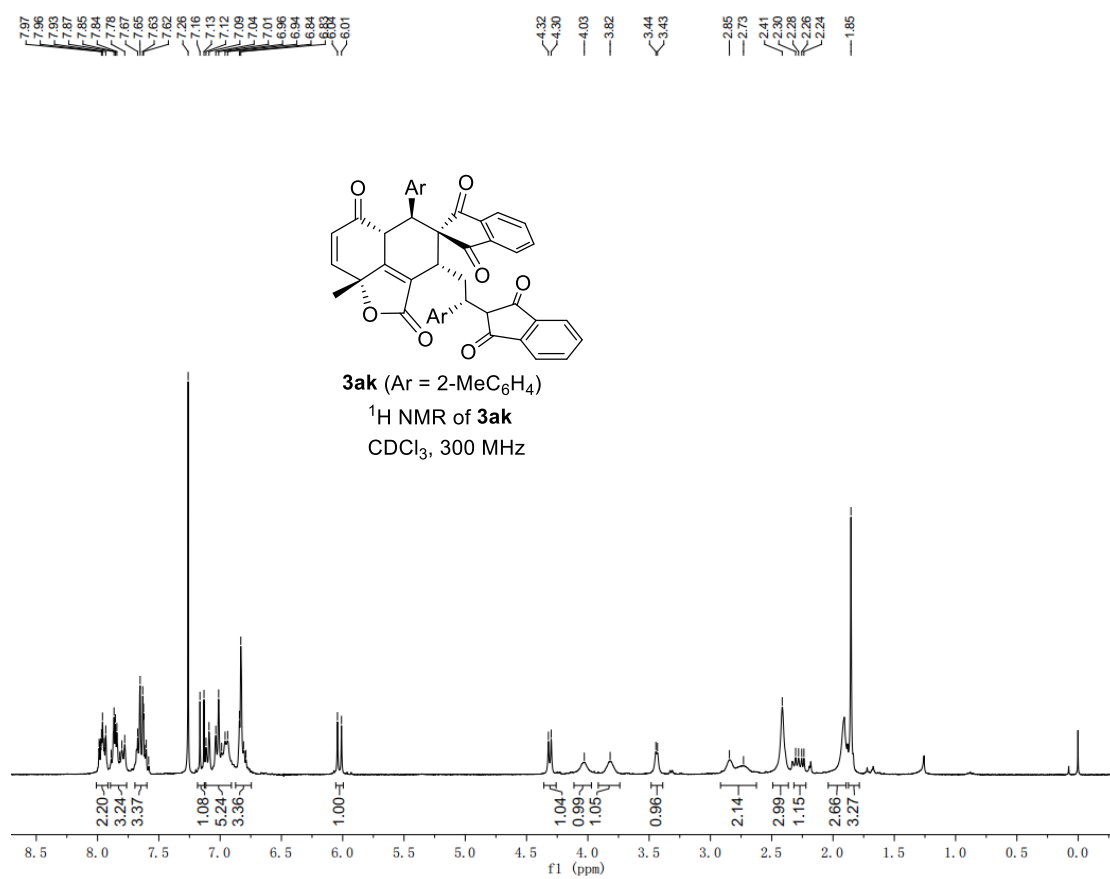
¹H NMR of **3aj**
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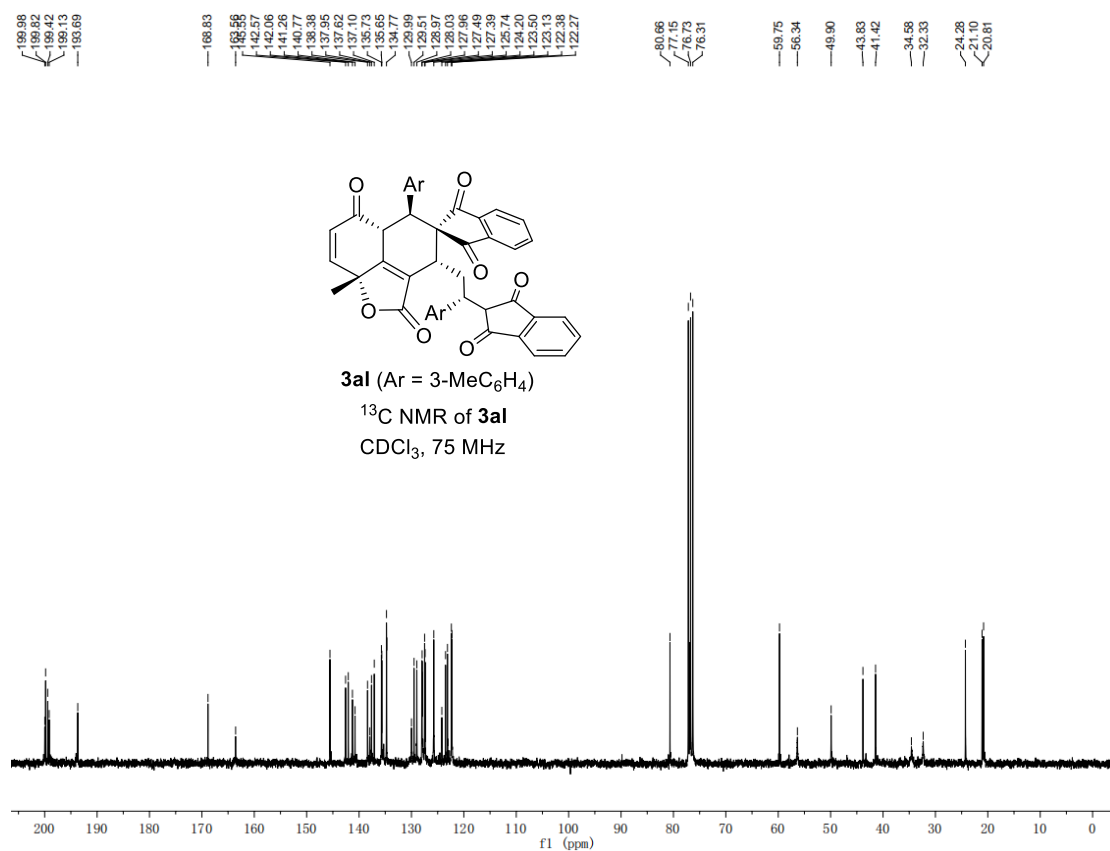
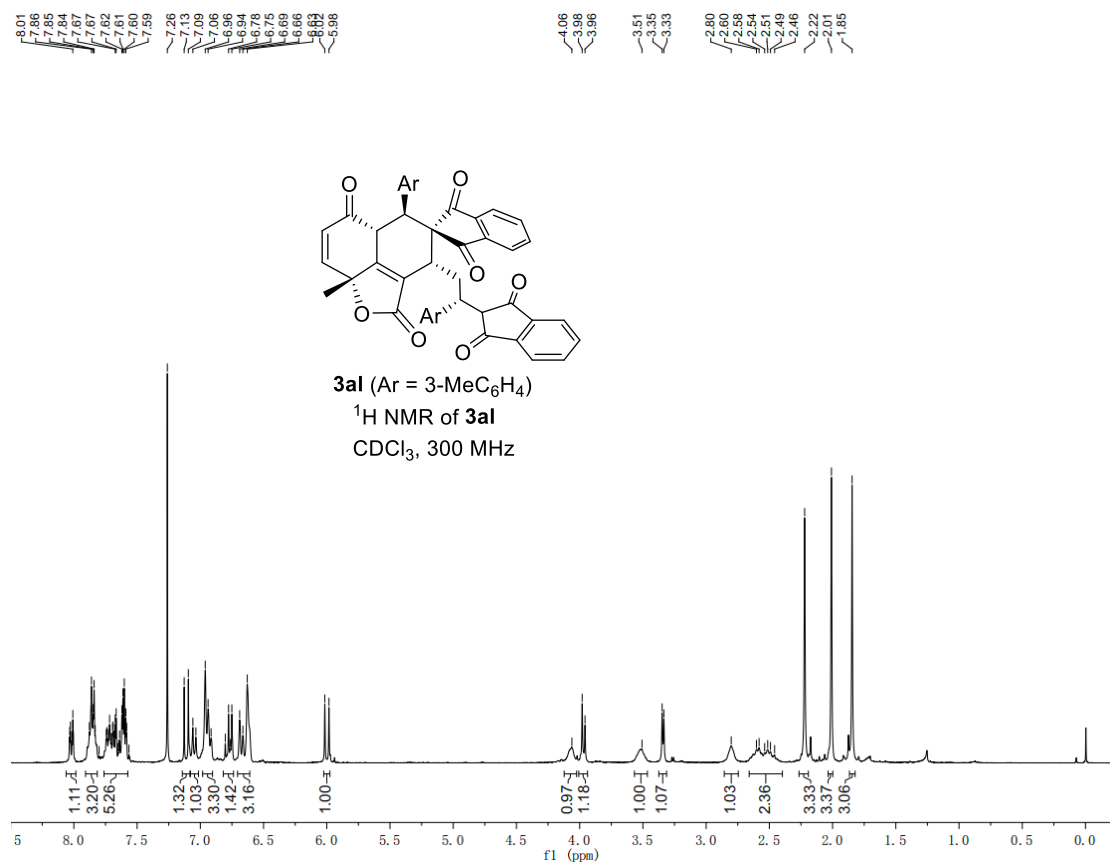


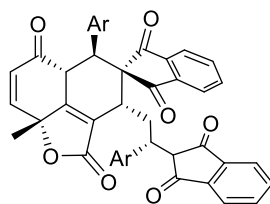
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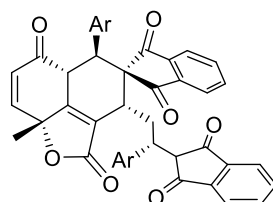
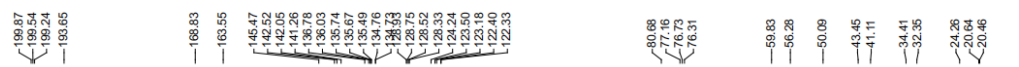
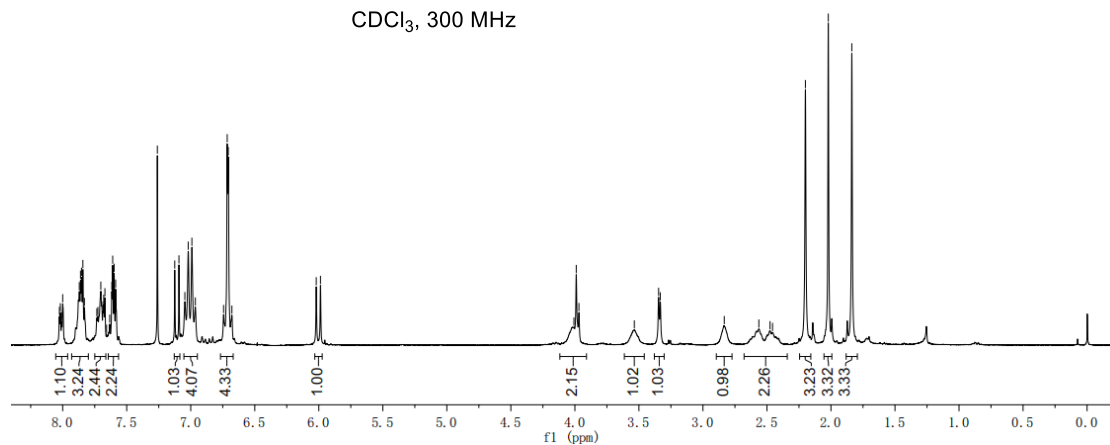




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¹H NMR of **3am**

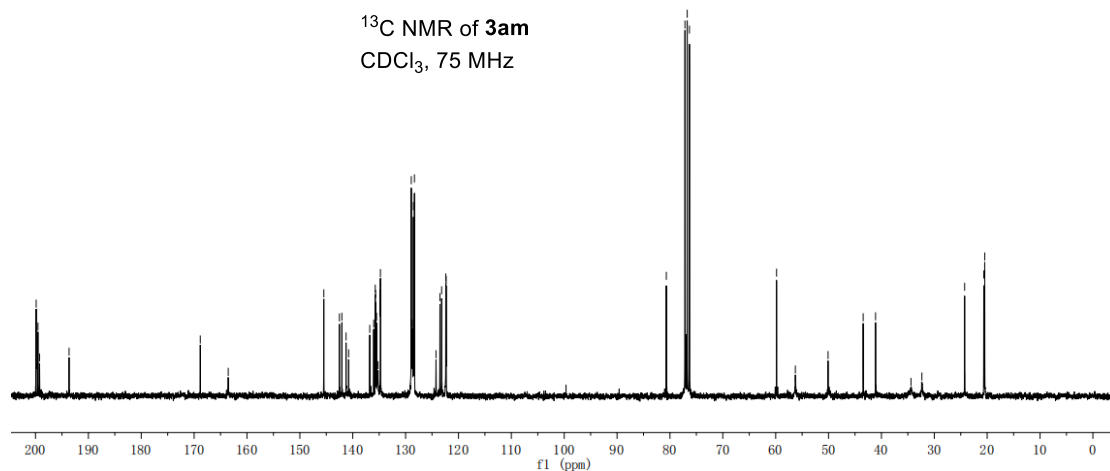
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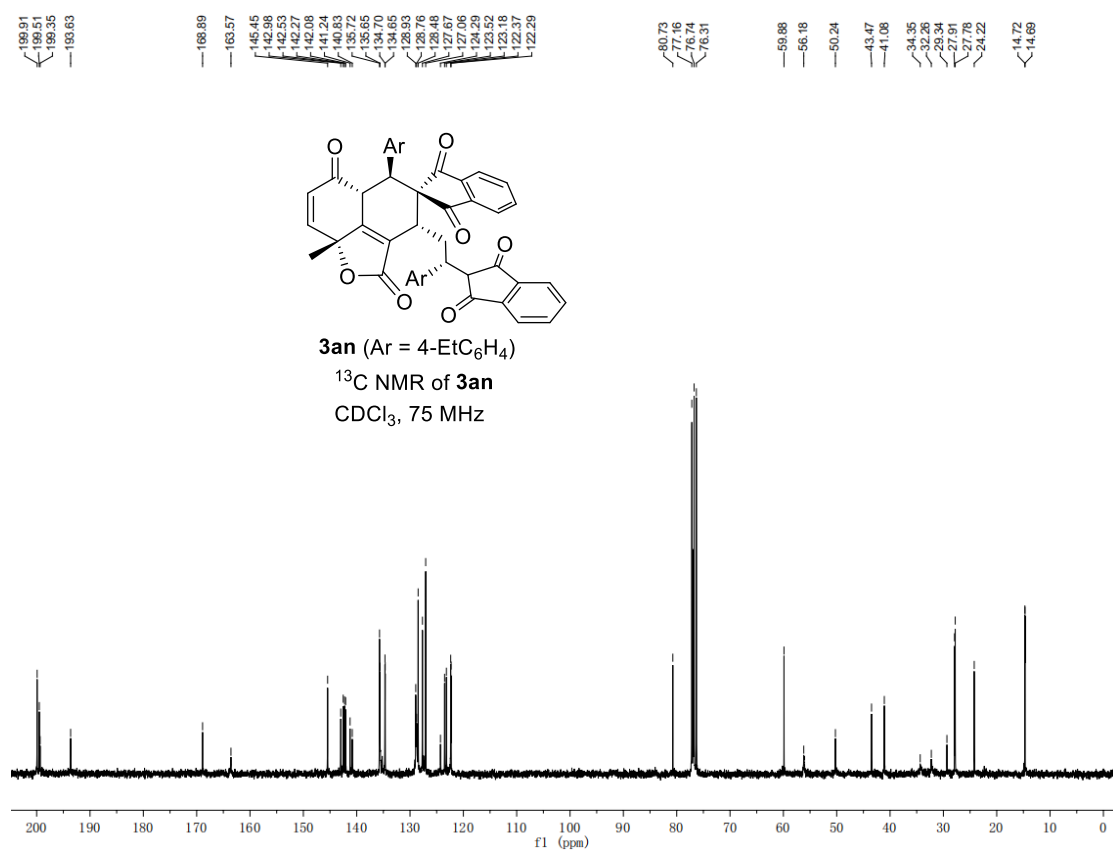
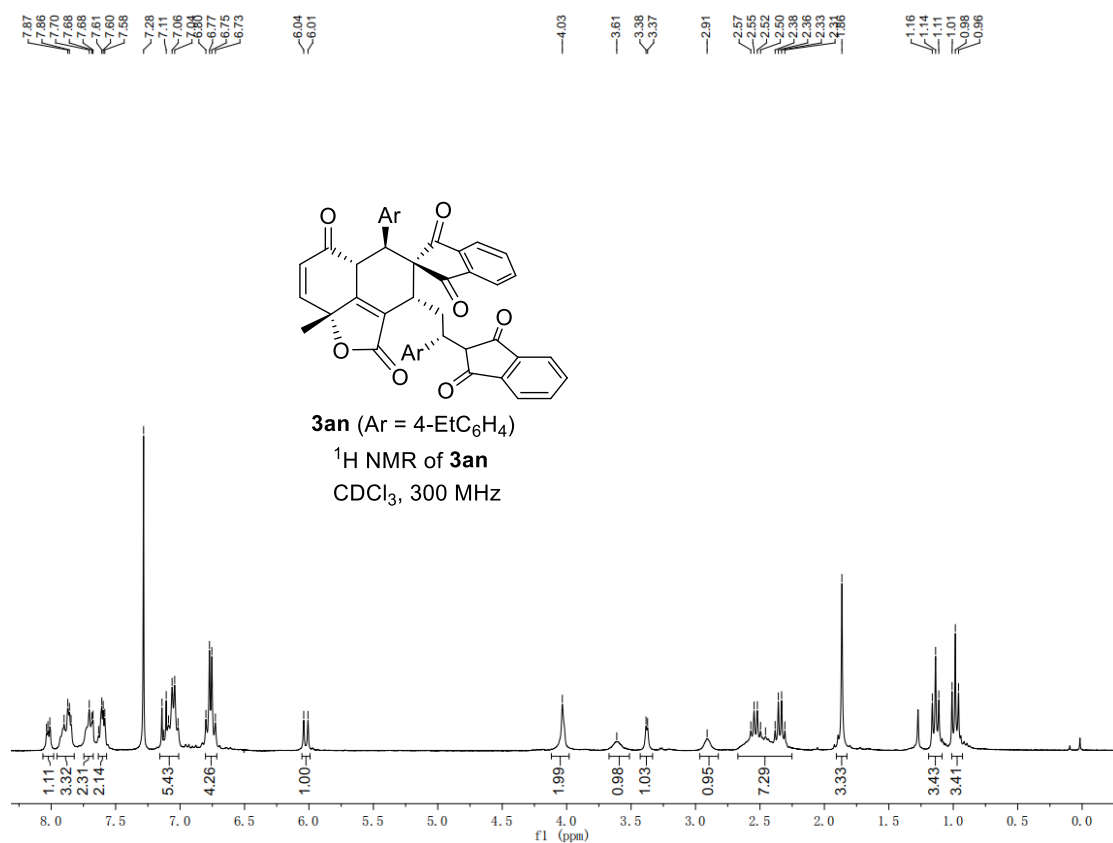


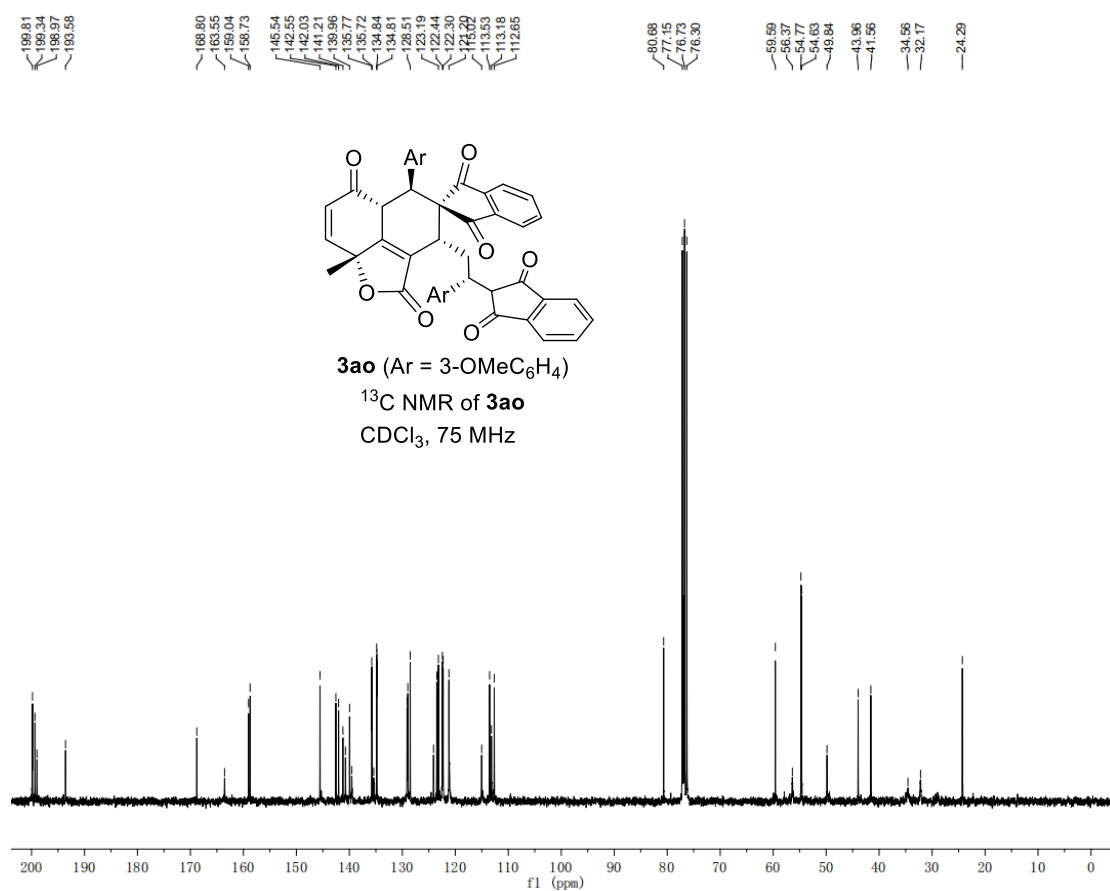
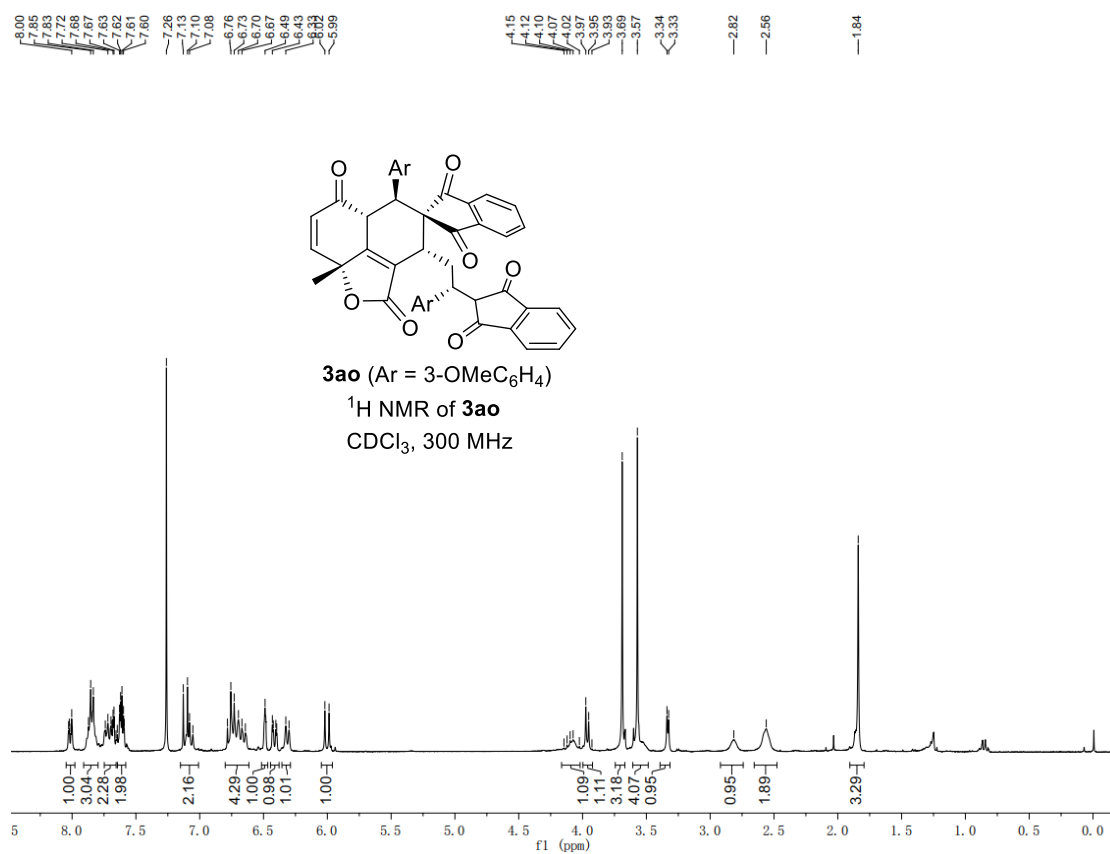
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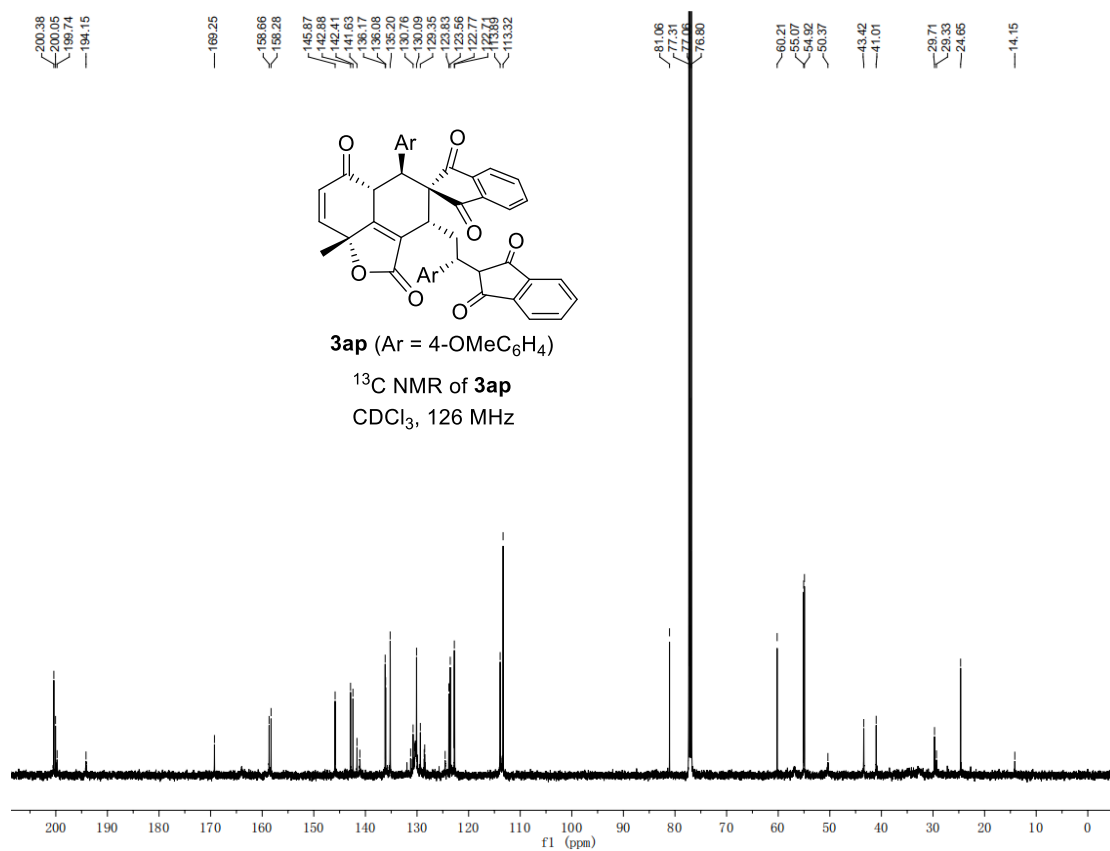
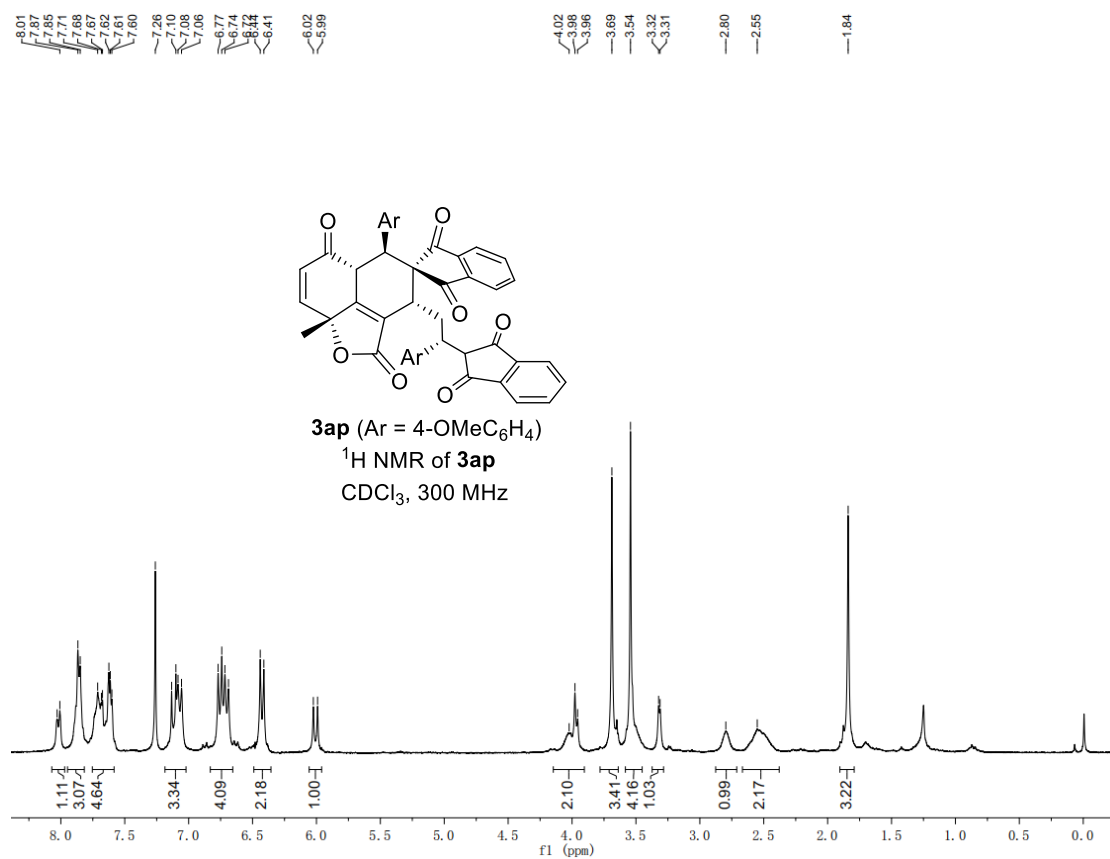
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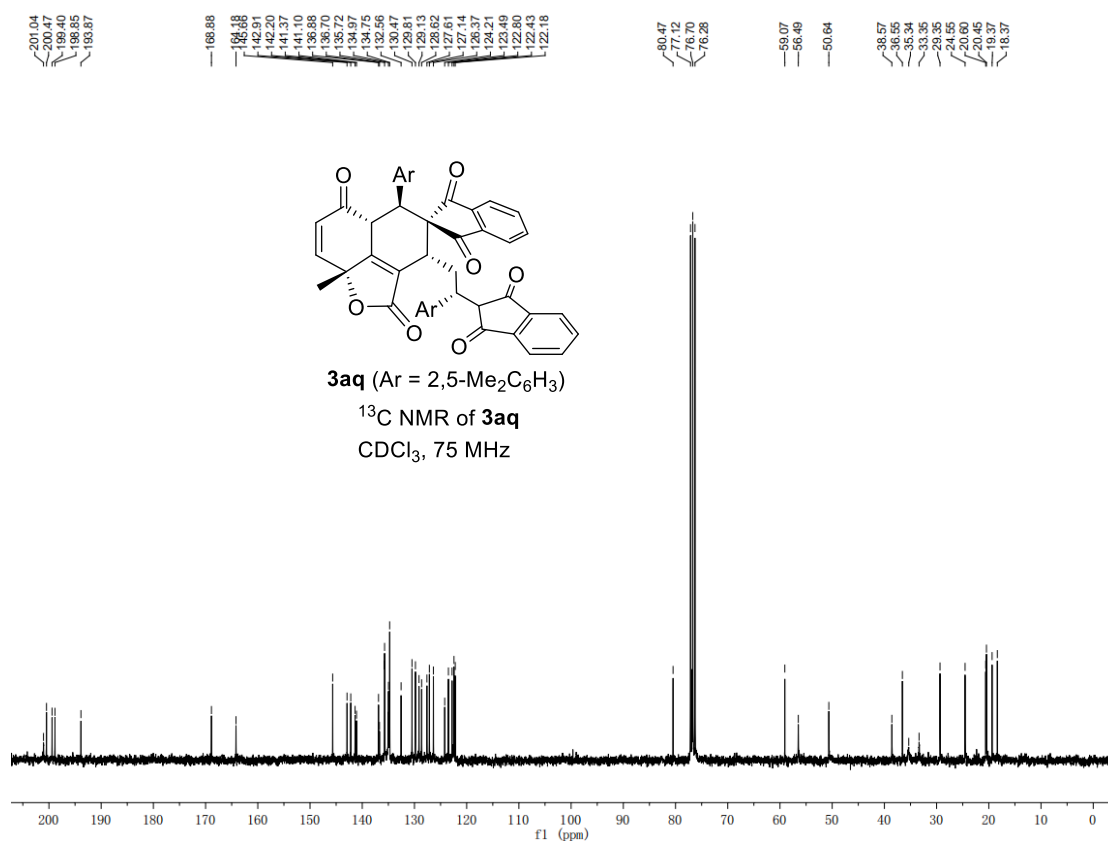
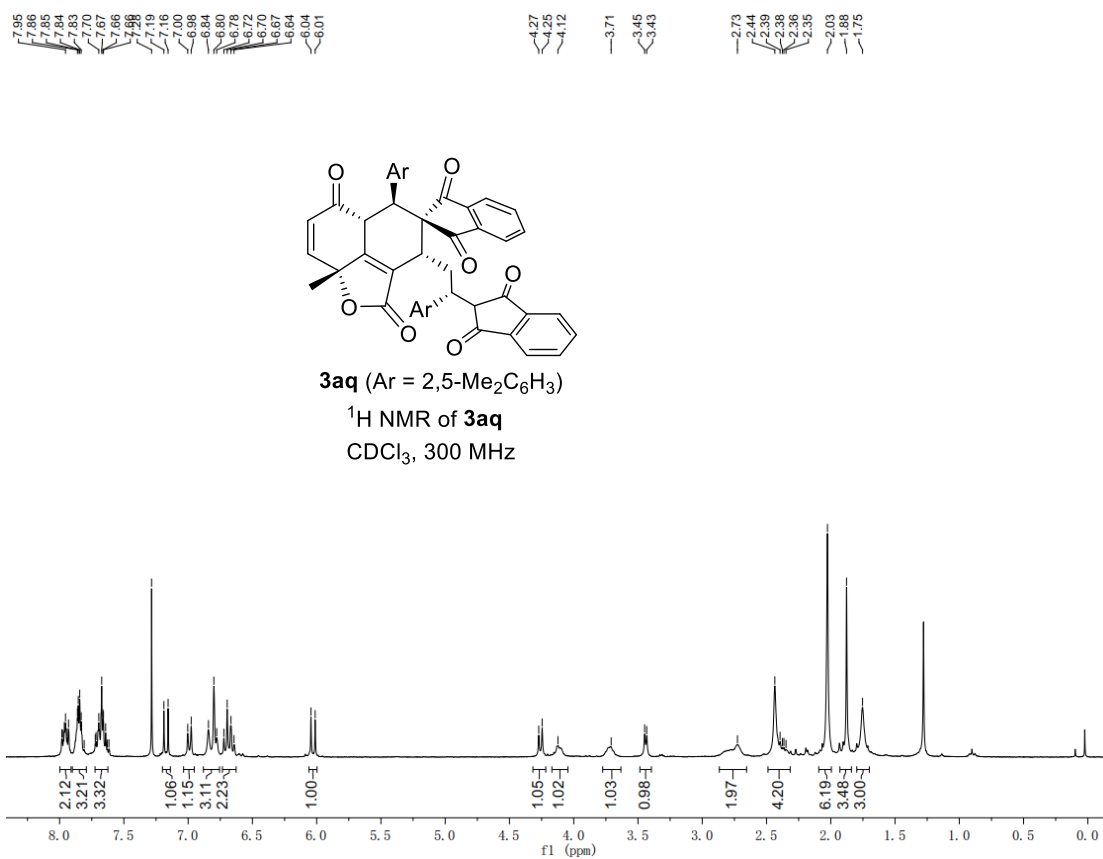
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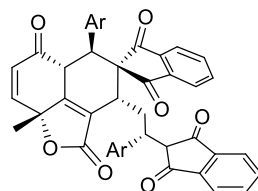








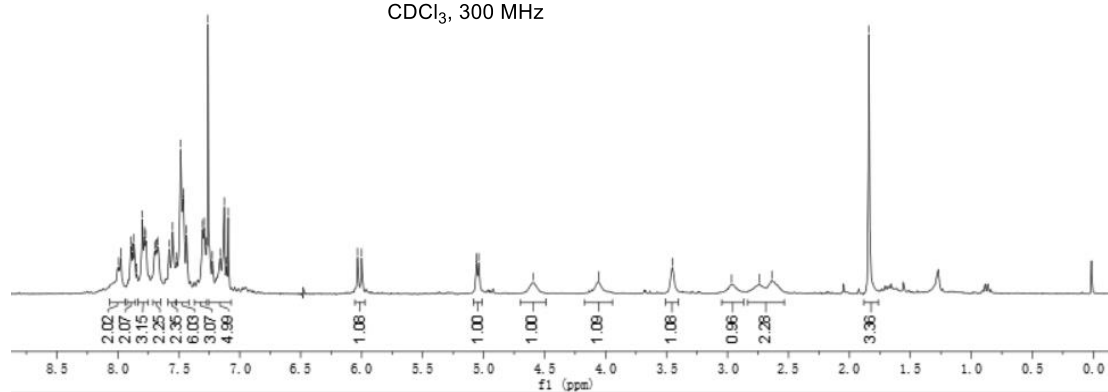




3ar (Ar = 1-naphthyl)

^1H NMR of **3ar**

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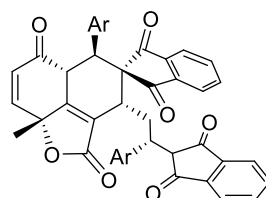


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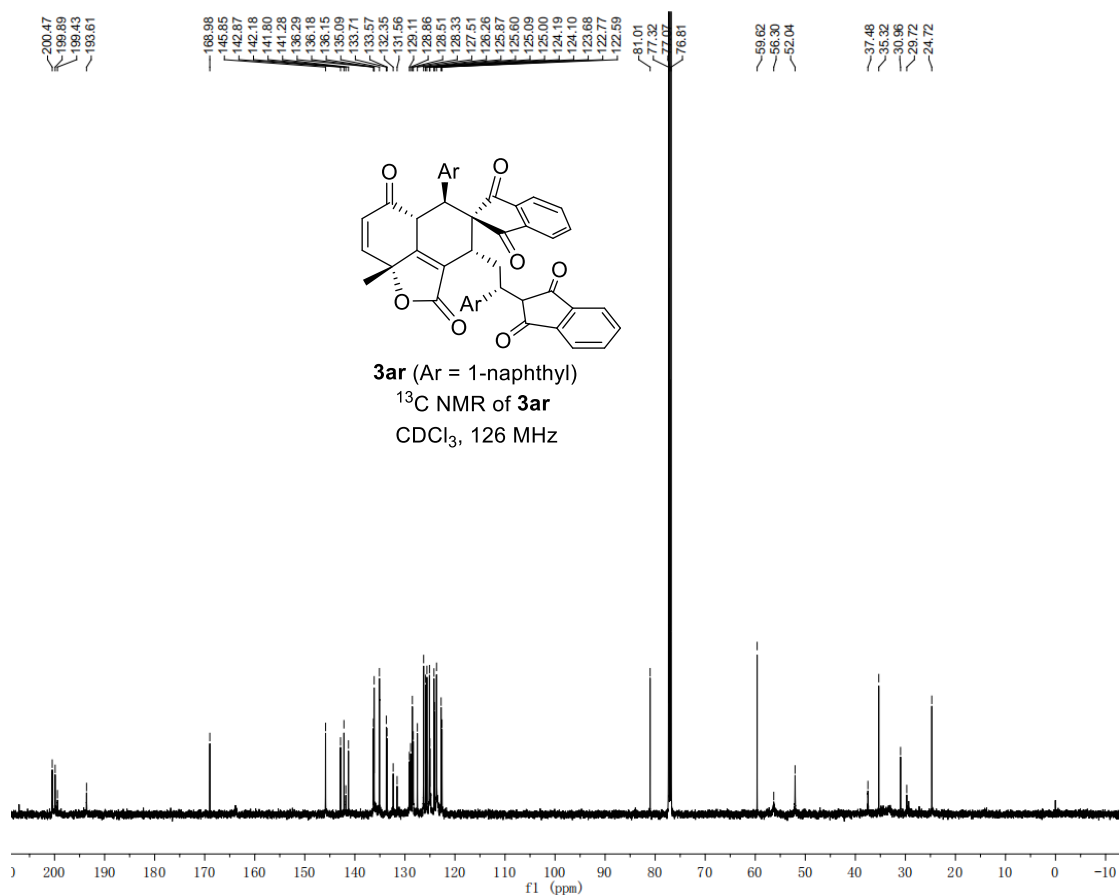
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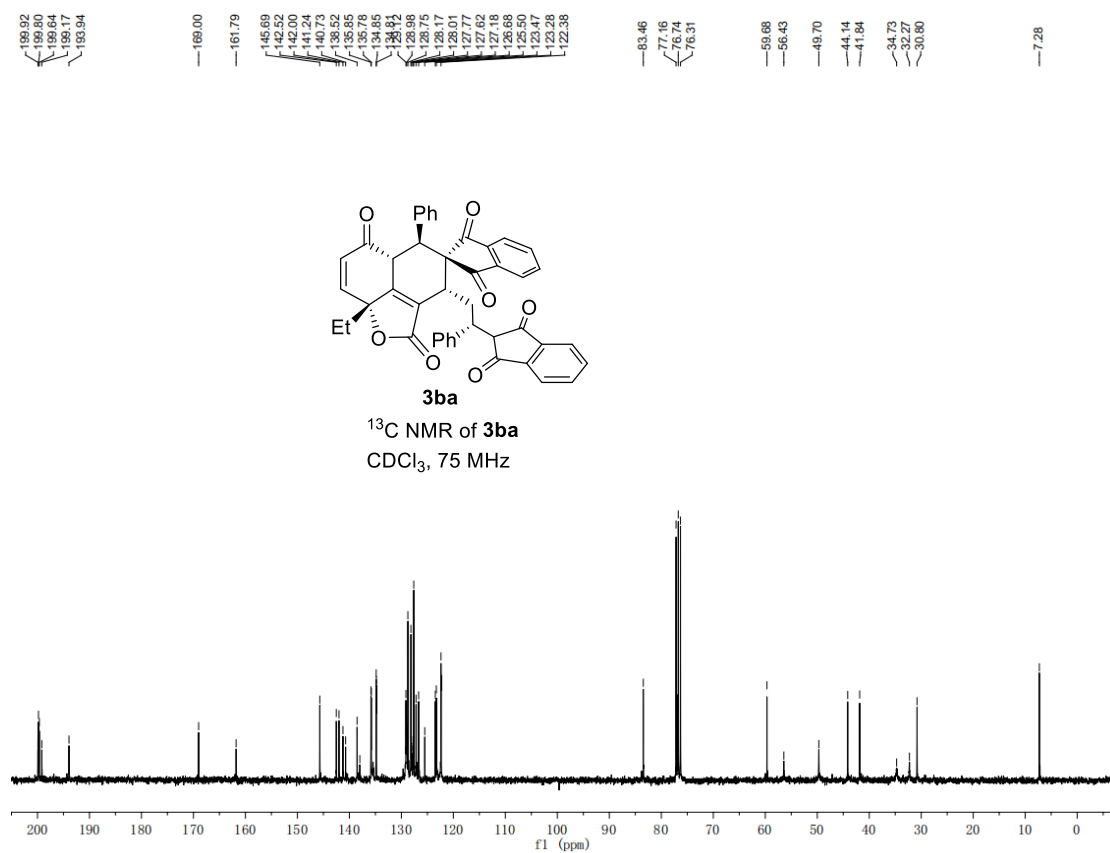
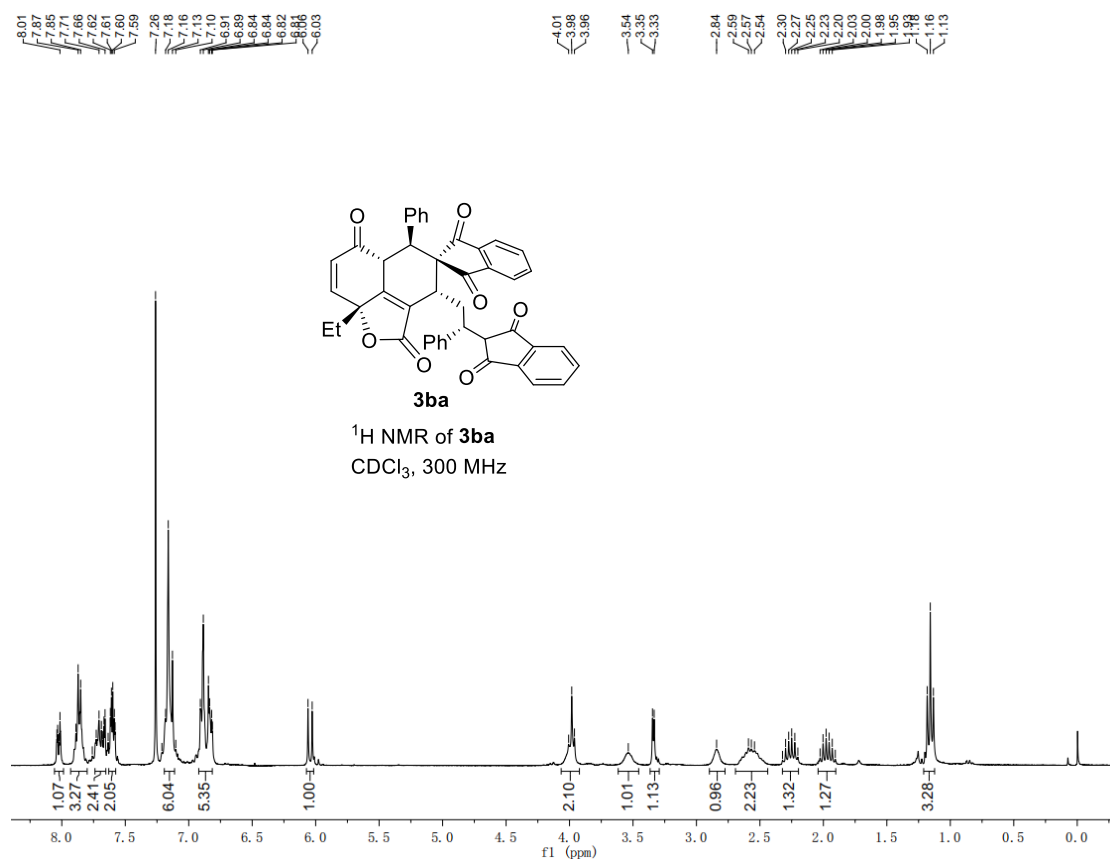


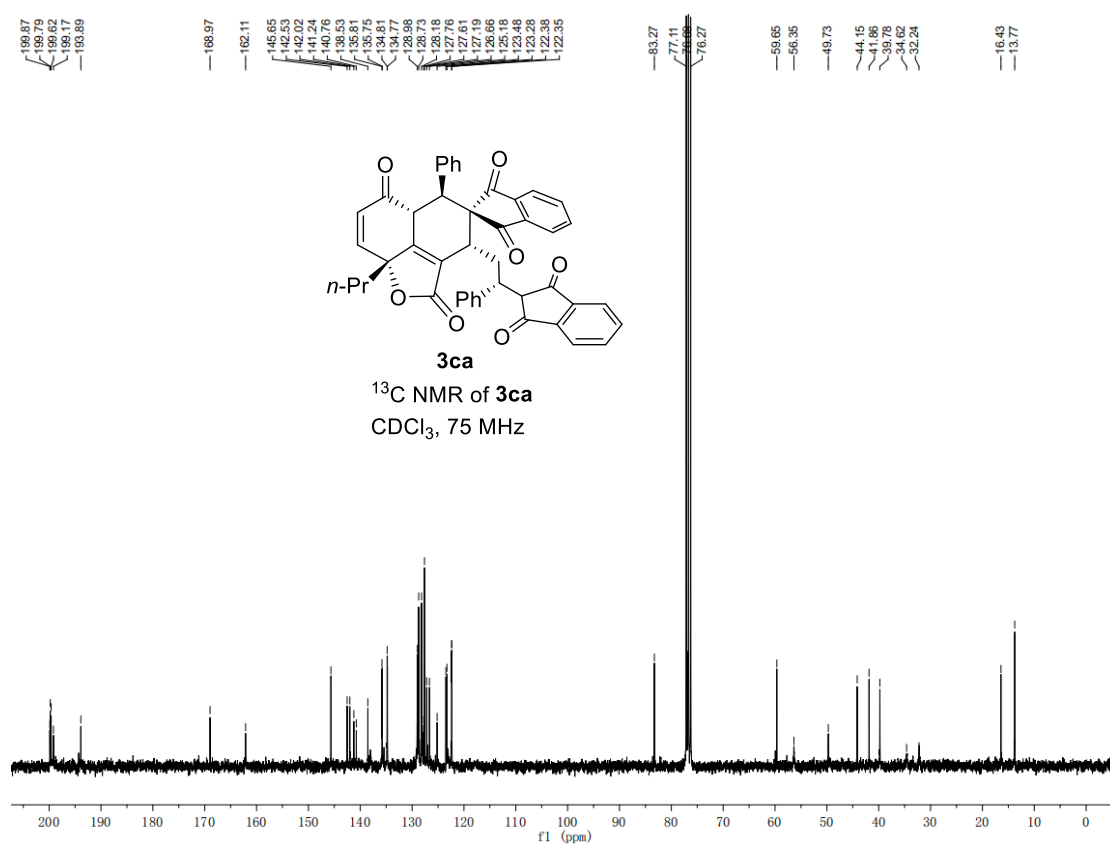
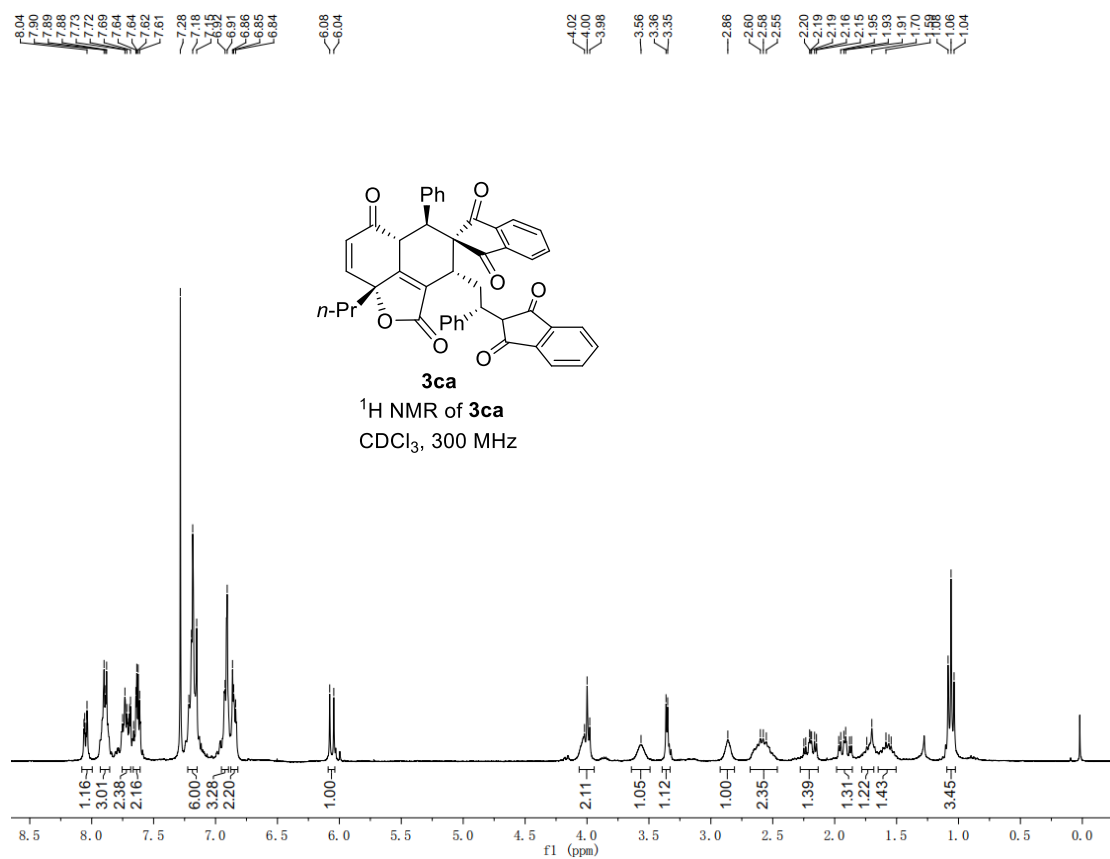
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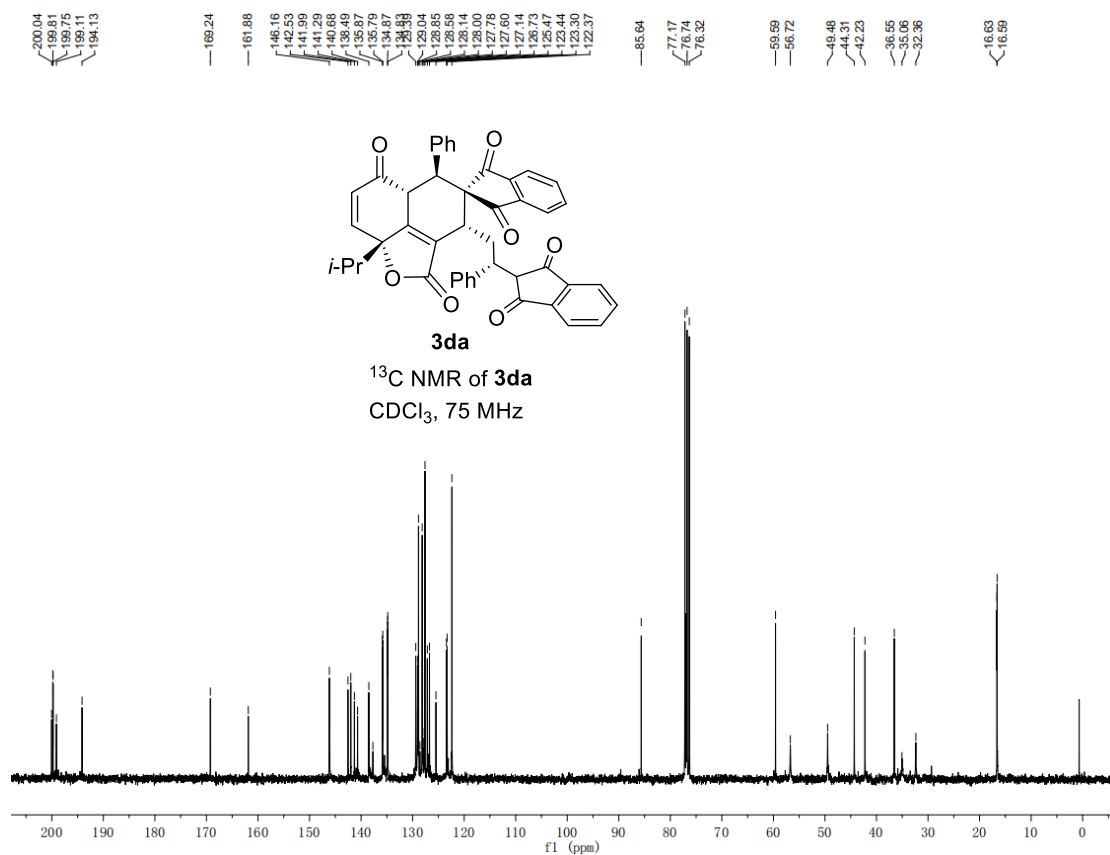
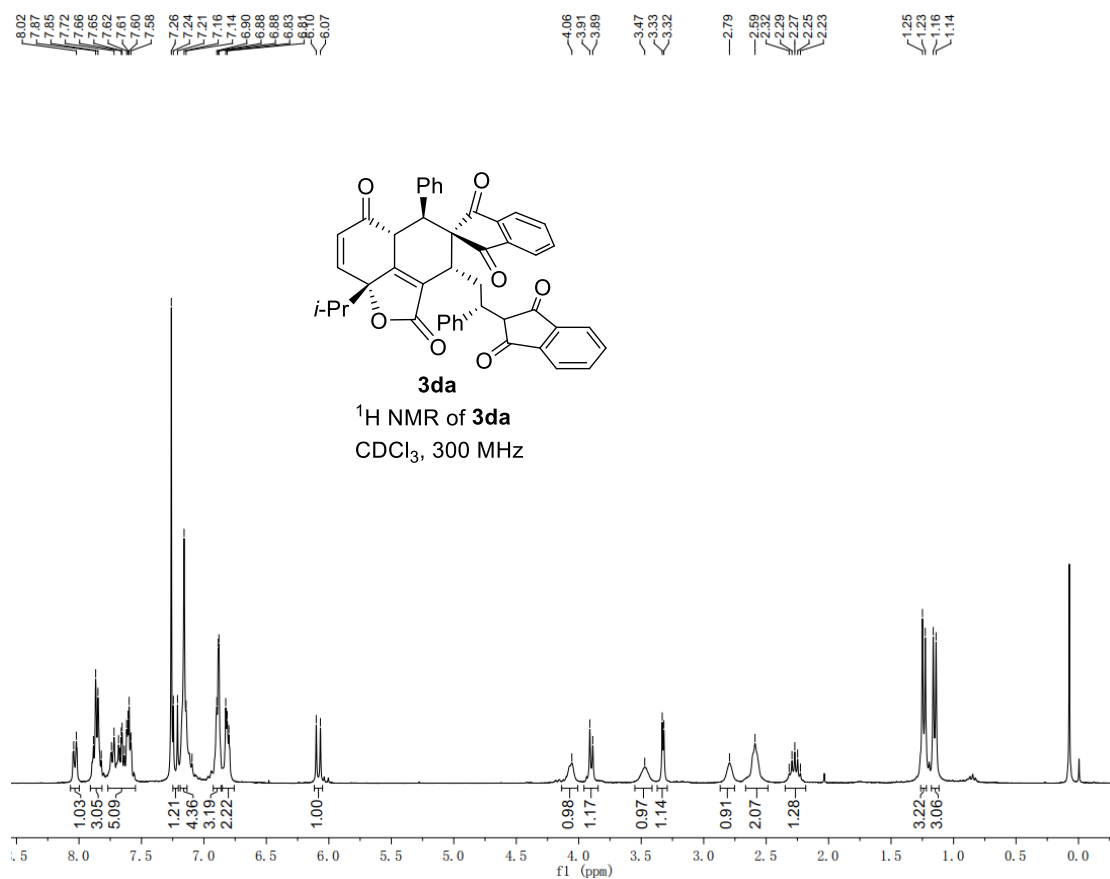
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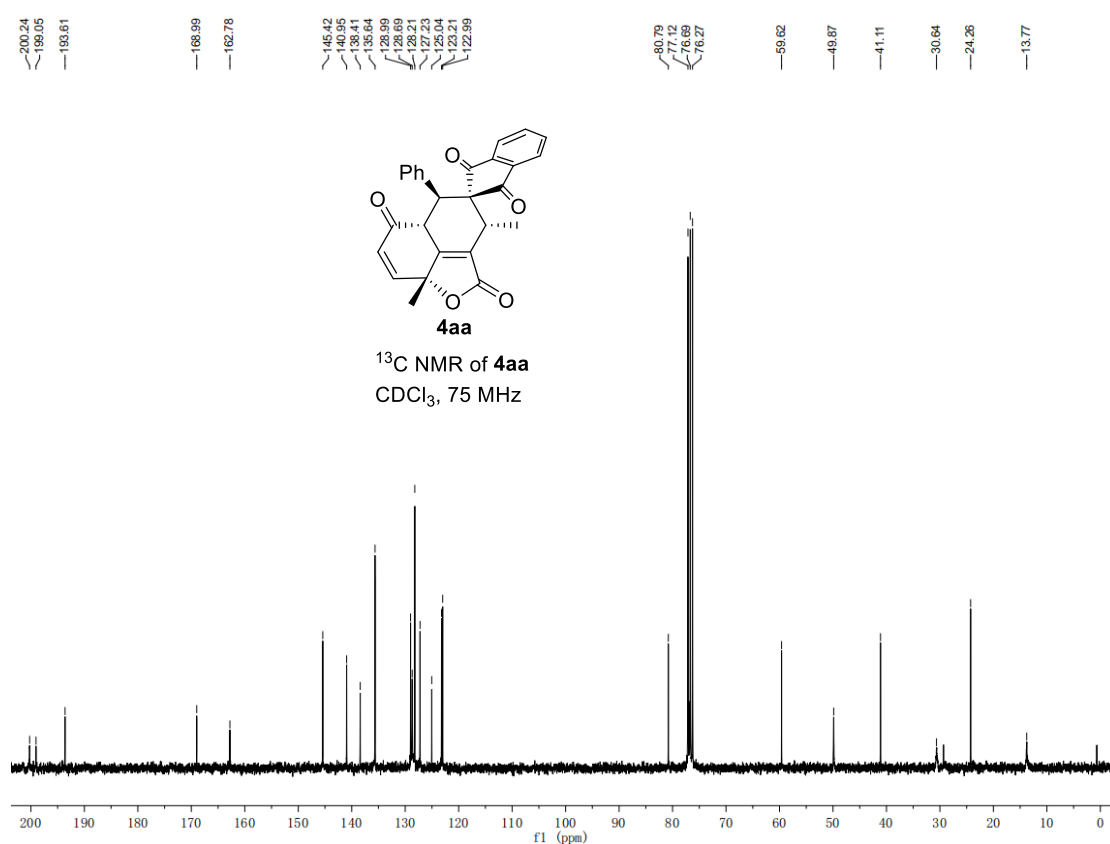
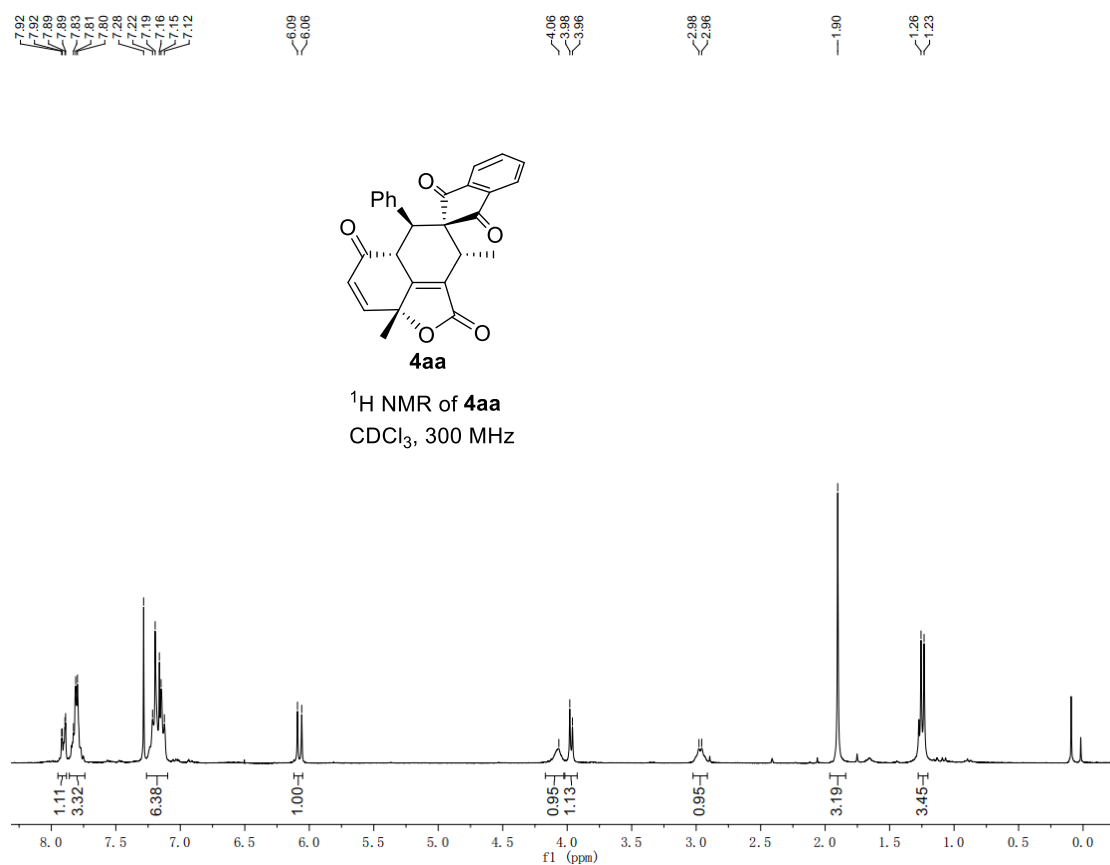
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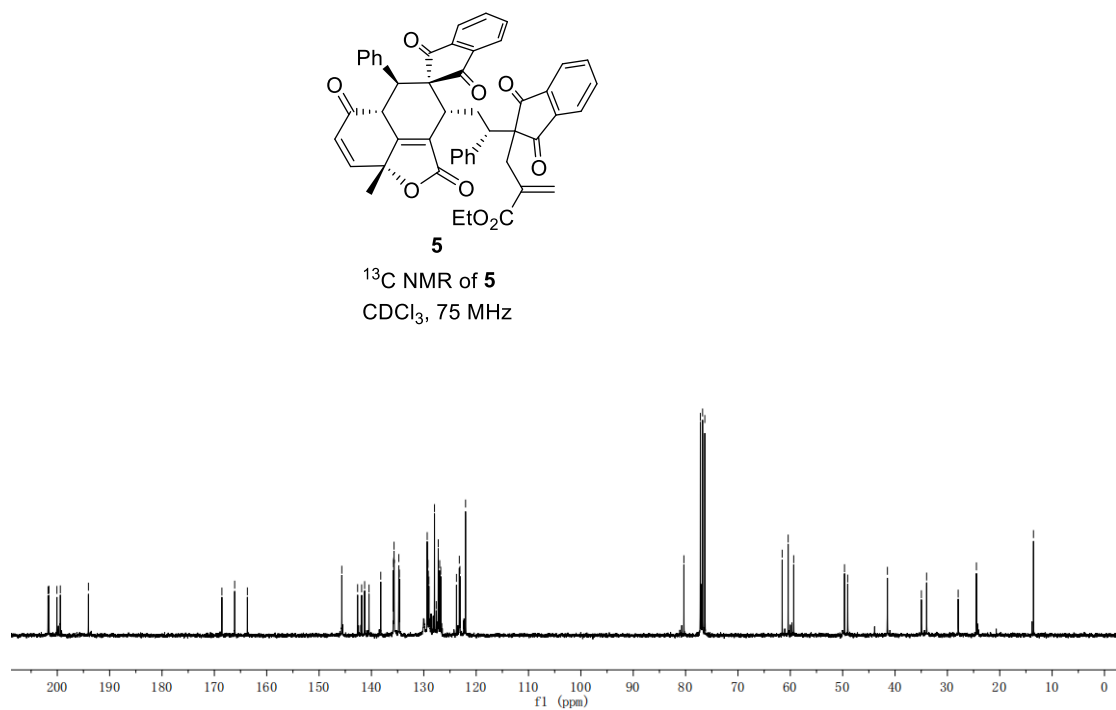
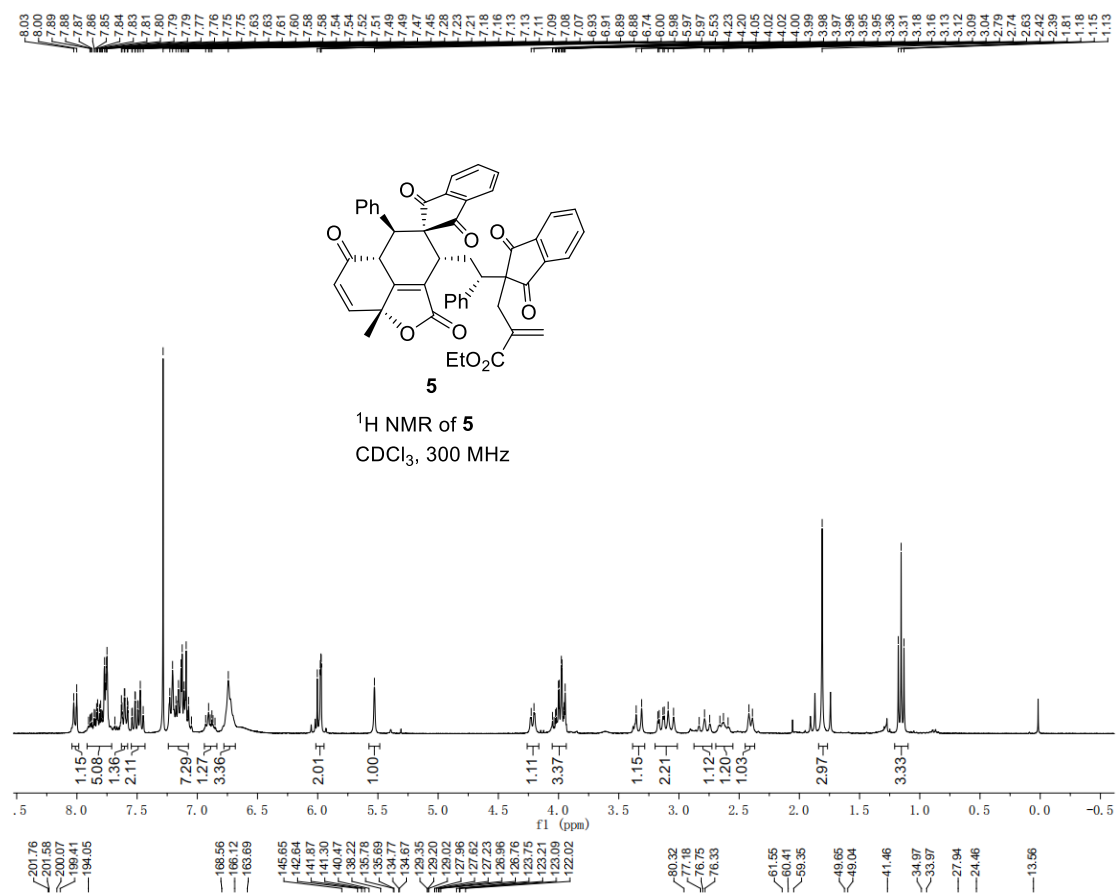












X-ray diffraction analysis of compound **3aa** and **4aa**.

Crystallization procedure of 3aa: To a 50 mL flat bottom of flask loaded with 100 mg of the pale yellow solid **3aa**, small amount of CHCl_3 was slowly added, which was just enough to dissolve the solid. Small amount of CH_3OH was then added to make a turbid mixture. Subsequently, CHCl_3 was slowly added until the mixture became a clear solution. Then the flask was sealed and left standing set them at room temperature. Bulky yellow crystals suitable for X-ray analysis were collected after 2 days.

Crystallization procedure of 4aa: 30 mg of **4aa** was added in a vial and dissolved by 1 mL of ethyl acetate, and then 0.5 mL of petroleum ether was added. The bottle was then sealed and left standing at room temperature overnight, giving small amount of colorless stick-like crystals suitable for X-ray analysis.

X-Ray Crystallography Data Crystallographic data for **3aa** and **4aa** has been deposited with the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre as deposition number CCDC 1898871 and 1921150. These data can be obtained free of charge via www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/data_request/cif, or by emailing data_request@ccdc.cam.ac.uk, or by contacting The Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre, 12, Union Road, Cambridge CB2 1EZ, UK; fax: +44 1223 336033.

X-Ray Crystallography Data Crystallographic data for **3aa**. The ellipsoid contour percent probability level of **3aa** is 30%.

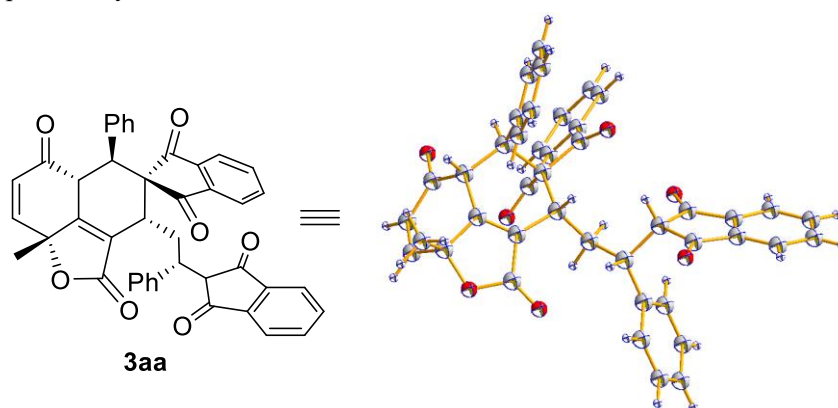


Table S1. Crystal data and structure refinement for **3aa**.

Identification code	3aa
Empirical formula	$\text{C}_{44.25}\text{H}_{32}\text{Cl}_3\text{O}_{7.25}$
Formula weight	786.05
Temperature/K	153.15
Crystal system	monoclinic
Space group	$\text{P}2_1/\text{c}$
$a/\text{\AA}$	19.442(4)
$b/\text{\AA}$	9.779(2)
$c/\text{\AA}$	20.905(4)

$\alpha/^\circ$	90
$\beta/^\circ$	106.26(3)
$\gamma/^\circ$	90
Volume/ $\text{\AA}^3$	3815.5(14)
Z	4
$\rho_{\text{calc}}/\text{g cm}^{-3}$	1.368
μ/mm^{-1}	0.293
F(000)	1626.0
Crystal size/ mm^3	$0.12 \times 0.1 \times 0.04$
Radiation	MoK α ($\lambda = 0.71073$)
2 θ range for data collection/ $^\circ$	2.182 to 54.918
Index ranges	$-25 \leq h \leq 25$, $-12 \leq k \leq 12$, $-27 \leq l \leq 25$
Reflections collected	27391
Independent reflections	8637 [$R_{\text{int}} = 0.0426$, $R_{\text{sigma}} = 0.0436$]
Data/restraints/parameters	8637/18/506
Goodness-of-fit on F^2	1.170
Final R indexes [$I \geq 2\sigma(I)$]	$R_1 = 0.1067$, $wR_2 = 0.2582$
Final R indexes [all data]	$R_1 = 0.1173$, $wR_2 = 0.2666$
Largest diff. peak/hole / $\text{e \AA}^{-3}$	0.61/-0.87

X-Ray Crystallography Data Crystallographic data for **4aa**. The ellipsoid contour percent probability level of **4aa** is 30%.

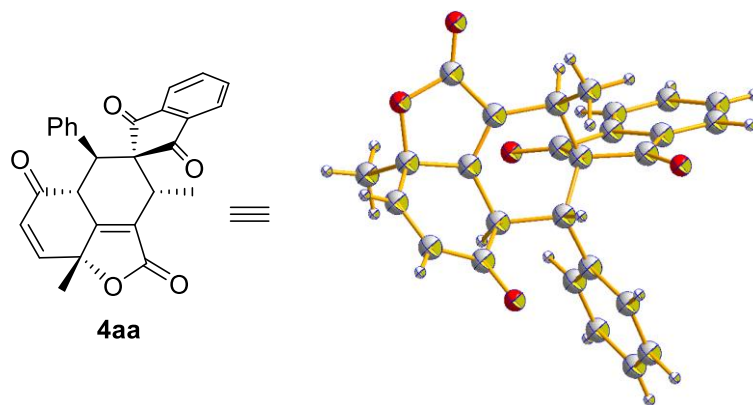


Table S2. Crystal data and structure refinement for **4aa**.

Identification code	4aa
Empirical formula	$\text{C}_{55}\text{H}_{42}\text{Cl}_2\text{O}_{10}$
Formula weight	933.78
Temperature/K	153.15
Crystal system	orthorhombic
Space group	Pbca
a/ $\text{\AA}$	10.867(2)
b/ $\text{\AA}$	13.765(3)
c/ $\text{\AA}$	59.046(12)
$\alpha/^\circ$	90

$\beta/^\circ$	90
$\gamma/^\circ$	90
Volume/ $\text{\AA}^3$	8833(3)
Z	8
$\rho_{\text{calc}}/\text{g}/\text{cm}^3$	1.404
μ/mm^{-1}	0.212
F(000)	3888.0
Crystal size/ mm^3	$0.12 \times 0.1 \times 0.1$
Radiation	MoK α ($\lambda = 0.71073$)
2 Θ range for data collection/ $^\circ$	4.138 to 55.04
Index ranges	$-14 \leq h \leq 12$, $-17 \leq k \leq 17$, $-73 \leq l \leq 76$
Reflections collected	40856
Independent reflections	10003 [$R_{\text{int}} = 0.0815$, $R_{\text{sigma}} = 0.0787$]
Data/restraints/parameters	10003/54/636
Goodness-of-fit on F^2	1.317
Final R indexes [$I \geq 2\sigma(I)$]	$R_1 = 0.1275$, $wR_2 = 0.2182$
Final R indexes [all data]	$R_1 = 0.1482$, $wR_2 = 0.2284$
Largest diff. peak/hole / $e \text{ \AA}^{-3}$	1.00/-0.33