

Supporting Information

Regioselective C–H Alkenylation and Unsymmetrical Bis-Olefination of Heteroarene Carboxylic Acids with Ruthenium Catalysis in Water

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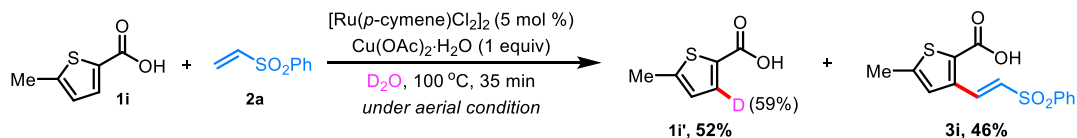
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Mechanistic Studies:

1) H-D Exchange Study



5-Methyl-2-thiophenecarboxylic acid **1i** (0.2 mmol), phenyl vinyl sulfone **2a** (1.1 equiv), $[\text{Ru}(p\text{-cymene})\text{Cl}_2]_2$ (5 mol %), and $\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ (1 equiv) were added in an oven-dried screw cap reaction tube with a magnetic stir bar under open-air. Then, D_2O (1 mL) was added with a syringe. The reaction tube was capped and the resulting mixture was heated at 100 °C (in oil-bath) for 35 minutes. After that, it was allowed to cool at room temperature and then quenched with AcOH and diluted with NH_4Cl solution. The mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate (10 mL, two times). The organic layer was dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate and concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting deuterium incorporated 5-methyl-2-thiophenecarboxylic acid and the olefinated product were purified by silica gel column chromatography. The H/D exchange result was determined by ^1H NMR spectroscopy.

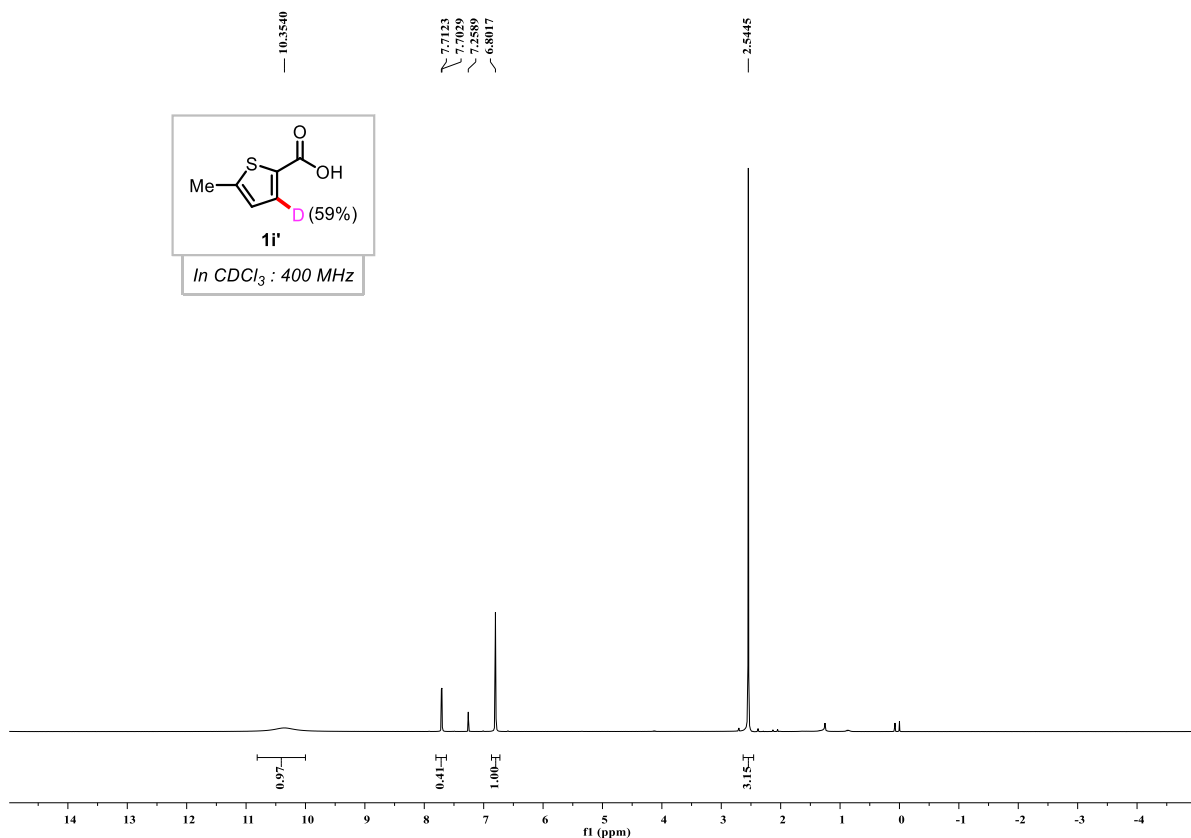
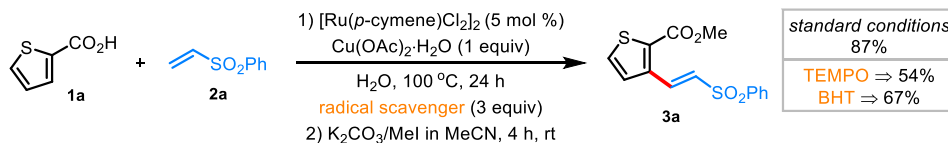


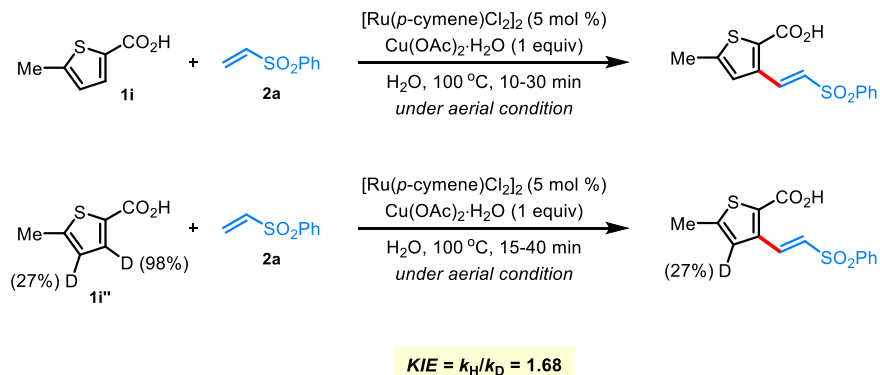
Figure S1. ^1H NMR spectrum of deuterium-incorporated 5-methyl-2-thiophenecarboxylic acid **1i'**.

2) Radical Scavenger Experiment



2-Thiophenecarboxylic acid **1a** (0.2 mmol) and phenyl vinyl sulfone **2a** (1.1 equiv), [Ru(*p*-cymene)Cl₂]₂ (5 mol %), Cu(OAc)₂·H₂O (1 equiv), and corresponding radical scavenger (3 equiv) were added in an oven-dried screw cap reaction tube with a magnetic stir bar under open-air. Then, H₂O (1 mL) was added with a syringe. The reaction tube was capped and the resulting mixture was heated at 100 °C (in oil-bath) for 24 h. After that, it was allowed to cool at room temperature and then quenched with AcOH and diluted with NH₄Cl solution. The mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate (10 mL, two times). The organic layer was dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was treated with K₂CO₃ (2 equiv), MeI (3 equiv) in MeCN (1 mL) at room temperature for 4 h and then concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography.

3) Kinetic Isotope Effect Study via Parallel Experiment



5-Methyl-2-thiophenecarboxylic acid **1i** and deuterated-5-methyl-2-thiophenecarboxylic acid **1i''** were independently reacted with **2a** for five different time intervals (10-40 minutes) under the standard reaction conditions [**1i** (0.2 mmol) or **1i''** (0.2 mmol), phenyl vinyl sulfone **2a** (1.1 equiv), [Ru(*p*-cymene)Cl₂]₂ (5 mol %), and Cu(OAc)₂·H₂O (1 equiv), H₂O (1 mL)]. The product distributions were analyzed from the worked-up crude reaction mixture by ¹H NMR spectroscopy using dibromomethane as an internal standard.

time (min)	10 min	15 min	20 min	25 min	30 min	35 min	40 min
1i → Product (%)	27.1	33.2	36.3	41.2	43.2	-	-
1i'' → Product (%)	-	17.4	20.9	-	24.2	26.7	30.3

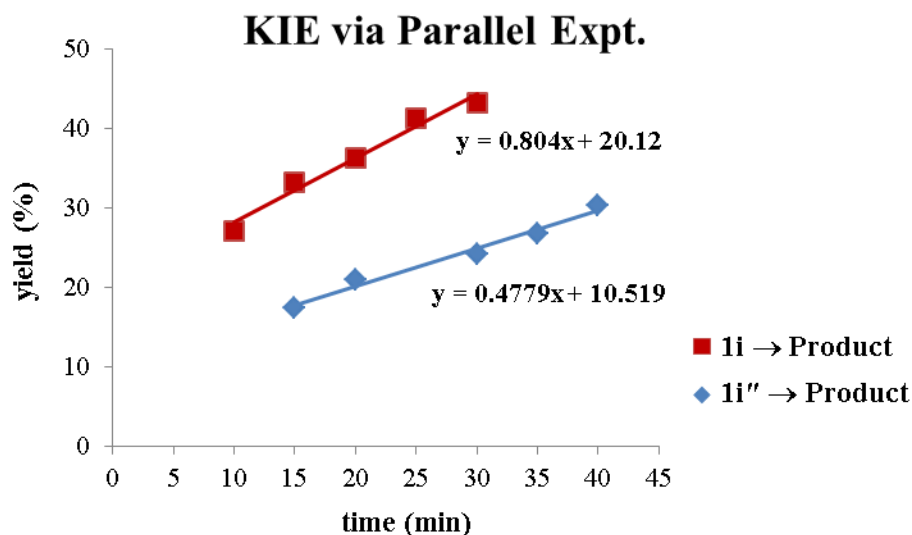


Figure S2. Time vs yield plot for KIE determination.

Crystallographic Experimental Section:

Single Crystal X-ray Crystallography: X-ray data of the crystals were collected and integrated using a Bruker Axs (Kappa Apex 2) CCD diffractometer equipped with graphite monochromatic Mo ($K\alpha$) radiation. Crystals were mounted over fine nylon loop which was attached to the copper mounting pin held on by a magnetic base. The APEX 3 and APEX 3-SAINT/Bruker SAINT programs were used for the data collection and unit-cell determination, respectively. The crystal structures were solved by direct methods using SHELXL-2014/4 or SHELXS-97 and refined by full-matrix least-squares on F^2 method using program SHELXL-2014/7 or SHELXL-2018/3.

Method of Crystallization: All the single crystals were grown in a small glass vial by slow evaporation technique from DCM/Hexane solvent system at room temperature over a period of 1-2 weeks.

Crystal Structure of Compound 3c: ORTEP representation (40% ellipsoids probability) of **3c** (CCDC 1975675).

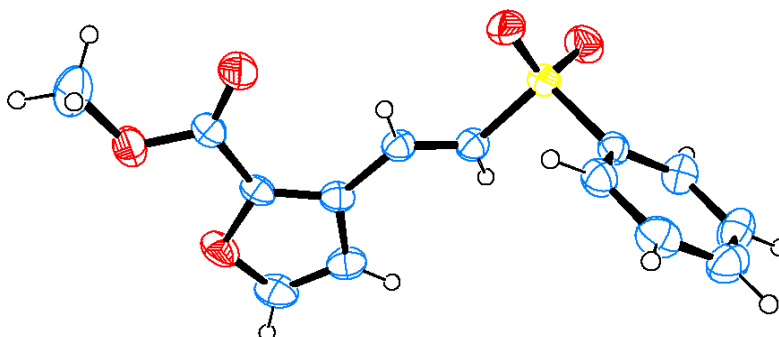


Table S1. Crystal data and structure refinement for **3c** (CCDC 1975675).

Identification code	532
Empirical formula	C ₁₄ H ₁₂ O ₅ S
Formula weight	292.30
Temperature	296(2) K
Wavelength	0.71073 Å
Crystal system, space group	Orthorhombic, Pbca
Unit cell dimensions	a = 7.6046(2) Å α = 90° b = 15.5125(5) Å β = 90° c = 23.2195(7) Å γ = 90°
Volume	2739.12(14) Å ³
Z, Calculated density	8, 1.418 Mg/m ³
Absorption coefficient	0.252 mm ⁻¹
F(000)	1216
Crystal size	0.250 x 0.220 x 0.100 mm
Theta range for data collection	2.769 to 24.999 deg.
Limiting indices	-7 ≤ h ≤ 9, -18 ≤ k ≤ 15, -27 ≤ l ≤ 27
Reflections collected / unique	15544 / 2406 [R(int) = 0.0244]
Completeness to theta = 25.000	99.9 %
Absorption correction	None
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²
Data / restraints / parameters	2406 / 0 / 182
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.054

Final R indices [$I > 2\sigma(I)$]	R1 = 0.0352, wR2 = 0.0837
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0445, wR2 = 0.0916
Extinction coefficient	n/a
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.184 and -0.305 e.Å ⁻³

Crystal Structure of Compound 3f: ORTEP representation (40% ellipsoids probability) of **3f** (CCDC 1975672).

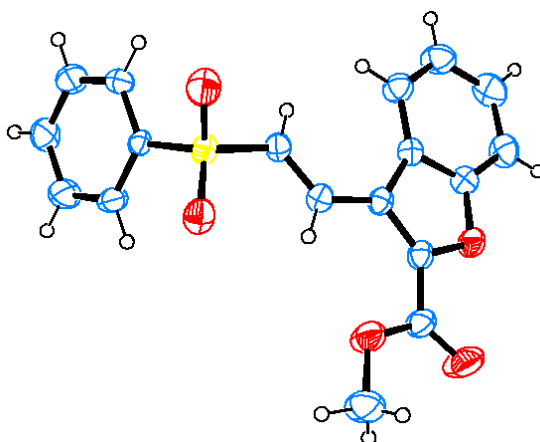


Table S2. Crystal data and structure refinement for **3f** (CCDC 1975672).

Identification code	787
Empirical formula	C ₁₈ H ₁₄ O ₅ S
Formula weight	342.35
Temperature	296(2) K
Wavelength	0.71073 Å
Crystal system, space group	Orthorhombic, Pbca
Unit cell dimensions	a = 17.7265(7) Å α = 90° b = 11.8090(4) Å β = 90° c = 15.2926(4) Å γ = 90°
Volume	3201.23(19) Å ³
Z, Calculated density	8, 1.421 Mg/m ³
Absorption coefficient	0.227 mm ⁻¹
F(000)	1424
Crystal size	0.250 x 0.220 x 0.100 mm
Theta range for data collection	2.072 to 24.998 deg.

Limiting indices	-13<=h<=21, -13<=k<=14, -18<=l<=12
Reflections collected / unique	10818 / 2815 [R(int) = 0.0224]
Completeness to theta = 25.000	99.9 %
Absorption correction	None
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²
Data / restraints / parameters	2815 / 0 / 218
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.053
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0403, wR2 = 0.0959
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0531, wR2 = 0.1040
Extinction coefficient	n/a
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.277 and -0.301 e.Å ⁻³

Crystal Structure of Compound 3h: ORTEP representation (40% ellipsoids probability) of **3h** (CCDC 1975673).

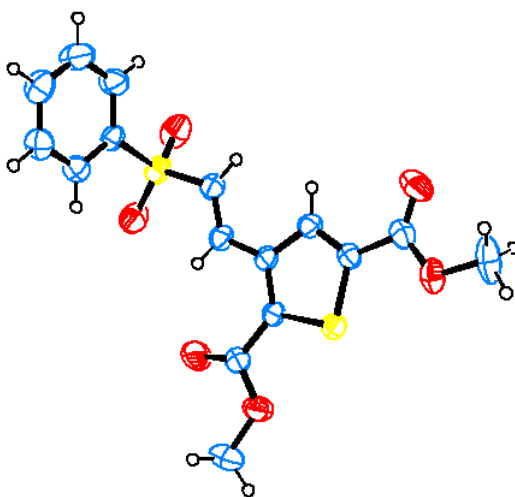


Table S3. Crystal data and structure refinement for **3h** (CCDC 1975673).

Identification code	28
Empirical formula	C16 H14 O6 S2
Formula weight	366.39
Temperature	296(2) K
Wavelength	0.71073 Å
Crystal system, space group	Orthorhombic, Pbca
Unit cell dimensions	a = 8.0160(2) Å α = 90°

	$b = 19.6309(8) \text{ \AA}$ $\beta = 90^\circ$ $c = 21.6558(8) \text{ \AA}$ $\gamma = 90^\circ$
Volume	$3407.8(2) \text{ \AA}^3$
Z, Calculated density	8, 1.428 Mg/m^3
Absorption coefficient	0.341 mm^{-1}
F(000)	1520
Crystal size	$0.250 \times 0.220 \times 0.100 \text{ mm}$
Theta range for data collection	1.881 to 24.996 deg.
Limiting indices	$-9 \leq h \leq 9$, $-21 \leq k \leq 23$, $-25 \leq l \leq 19$
Reflections collected / unique	7967 / 2995 [$R(\text{int}) = 0.0402$]
Completeness to $\theta = 25.000$	99.9 %
Absorption correction	None
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F^2
Data / restraints / parameters	2995 / 0 / 219
Goodness-of-fit on F^2	1.009
Final R indices [$I > 2\sigma(I)$]	$R1 = 0.0486$, $wR2 = 0.0978$
R indices (all data)	$R1 = 0.0957$, $wR2 = 0.1207$
Extinction coefficient	n/a
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.243 and $-0.300 \text{ e.\AA}^{-3}$

Crystal Structure of Compound 4g: ORTEP representation (40% ellipsoids probability) of **4g** (CCDC 1975676).

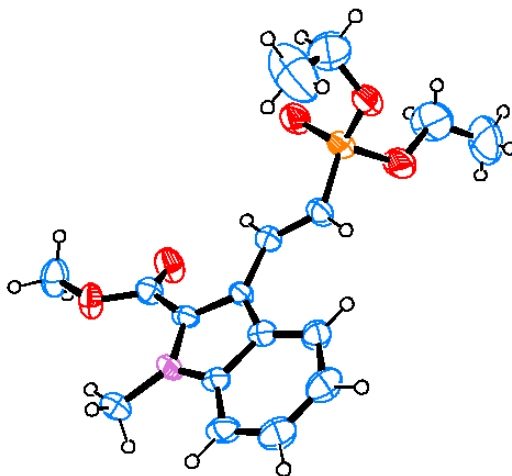


Table S4. Crystal data and structure refinement for **4g** (CCDC 1975676).

Identification code	891
Empirical formula	C ₁₇ H ₂₂ N O ₅ P
Formula weight	351.32
Temperature	296(2) K
Wavelength	0.71073 Å
Crystal system, space group	Triclinic, P-1
Unit cell dimensions	a = 7.4902(15) Å α = 88.249(6)° b = 10.012(2) Å β = 82.343(6)° c = 25.476(5) Å γ = 71.214(6)°
Volume	1792.4(6) Å ³
Z, Calculated density	4, 1.302 Mg/m ³
Absorption coefficient	0.179 mm ⁻¹
F(000)	744
Crystal size	0.200 x 0.150 x 0.150 mm ³
Theta range for data collection	0.807 to 24.997 deg.
Limiting indices	-8<=h<=8, -11<=k<=11, -30<=l<=30
Reflections collected / unique	32648 / 32648 [R(int) = ?]
Completeness to theta = 25.000	99.9 %
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents
Max. and min. transmission	0.7452 and 0.5243
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²
Data / restraints / parameters	32648 / 39 / 454
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.107
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.1044, wR2 = 0.2823
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.1436, wR2 = 0.3062
Extinction coefficient	0.017(3)
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.470 and -0.495 e.Å ⁻³

Crystal Structure of Compound 5g: ORTEP representation (40% ellipsoids probability) of **5g** (CCDC 1975674).

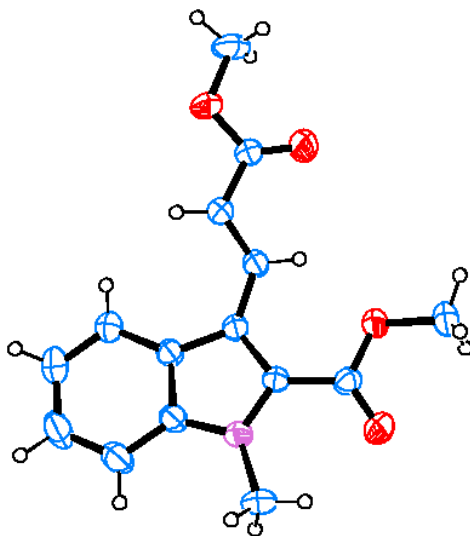


Table S5. Crystal data and structure refinement for **5g** (CCDC 1975674).

Identification code	21
Empirical formula	C ₁₅ H ₁₅ N O ₄
Formula weight	546.56
Temperature	296(2) K
Wavelength	0.71073 Å
Crystal system, space group	Triclinic, P-1
Unit cell dimensions	a = 10.9033(4) Å α = 100.1998(15)° b = 11.1118(4) Å β = 92.2428(17)° c = 13.1220(4) Å γ = 118.6290(14)°
Volume	1359.16(8) Å ³
Z, Calculated density	2, 1.336 Mg/m ³
Absorption coefficient	0.098 mm ⁻¹
F(000)	576
Crystal size	0.250 x 0.220 x 0.100 mm
Theta range for data collection	1.593 to 24.999 deg.
Limiting indices	-12 ≤ h ≤ 12, -13 ≤ k ≤ 12, -15 ≤ l ≤ 15
Reflections collected / unique	20423 / 4779 [R(int) = 0.0272]

Completeness to theta = 25.000	99.6 %
Absorption correction	None
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²
Data / restraints / parameters	4779 / 0 / 368
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.026
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0453, wR2 = 0.1172
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0625, wR2 = 0.1333
Extinction coefficient	0.014(2)
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.305 and -0.264 e.Å ⁻³

Crystal Structure of Compound 6b: ORTEP representation (40% ellipsoids probability) of **6b** (CCDC 2017084).

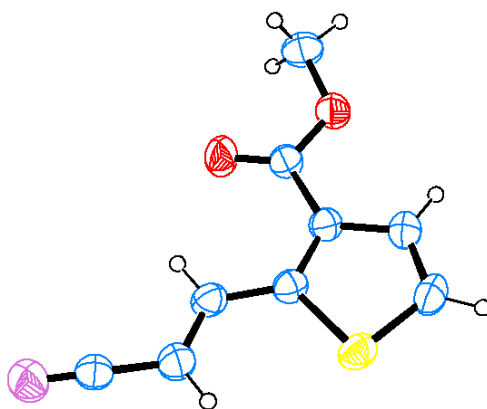


Table S6. Crystal data and structure refinement for **6b** (CCDC 2017084).

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Formula weight	193.22	
Temperature	296(2) K	
Wavelength	0.71073 Å	
Crystal system	Orthorhombic	
Space group	F d d 2	
Unit cell dimensions	a = 21.3018(14) Å	α = 90°.
	b = 43.351(3) Å	β = 90°.
	c = 3.9547(3) Å	γ = 90°.

Volume	3652.0(4) Å ³
Z	16
Density (calculated)	1.406 Mg/m ³
Absorption coefficient	0.317 mm ⁻¹
F(000)	1600
Crystal size	0.300 x 0.250 x 0.200 mm ³
Theta range for data collection	3.407 to 28.310°.
Index ranges	-28<=h<=28, -56<=k<=56, -5<=l<=5
Reflections collected	11871
Independent reflections	2267 [R(int) = 0.0603]
Completeness to theta = 25.242°	99.4 %
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents
Max. and min. transmission	0.7457 and 0.5387
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²
Data / restraints / parameters	2267 / 1 / 119
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.119
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0433, wR2 = 0.0983
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0560, wR2 = 0.1076
Absolute structure parameter	0.04(4)
Extinction coefficient	n/a
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.219 and -0.277 e.Å ⁻³

Crystal Structure of Compound 8p: ORTEP representation (40% ellipsoids probability) of **8p** (CCDC 2017085).

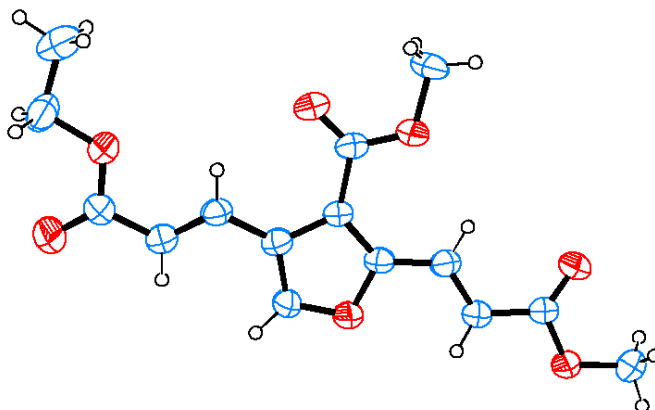


Table S7. Crystal data and structure refinement for **8p** (CCDC 2017085).

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Empirical formula	C ₁₅ H ₁₆ O ₇	
Formula weight	308.28	
Temperature	293(2) K	
Wavelength	0.71073 Å	
Crystal system	Triclinic	
Space group	P -1	
Unit cell dimensions	a = 4.03230(10) Å	α = 94.501(2)°.
	b = 12.1406(2) Å	β = 91.3350(10)°.
	c = 15.7776(2) Å	γ = 93.6930(10)°.
Volume	768.09(2) Å ³	
Z	2	
Density (calculated)	1.333 Mg/m ³	
Absorption coefficient	0.107 mm ⁻¹	
F(000)	324	
Crystal size	0.300 x 0.250 x 0.200 mm ³	
Theta range for data collection	2.976 to 24.997°.	
Index ranges	-4 ≤ h ≤ 4, -14 ≤ k ≤ 14, -18 ≤ l ≤ 18	
Reflections collected	23407	
Independent reflections	2695 [R(int) = 0.0939]	
Completeness to theta = 24.997°	99.8 %	
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents	
Max. and min. transmission	0.7454 and 0.4080	
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²	
Data / restraints / parameters	2695 / 0 / 202	
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.047	
Final R indices [I > 2σ(I)]	R1 = 0.0599, wR2 = 0.1440	
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0911, wR2 = 0.1702	
Extinction coefficient	n/a	
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.192 and -0.207 e.Å ⁻³	

Analytical Data:

Compounds **5a**,^{S1} (**5b,g**),^{S2} **6a**,^{S3} (**7b**, and **8a,n**)^{S4} are known in literature and thus only ¹H NMR data of these compounds are provided.

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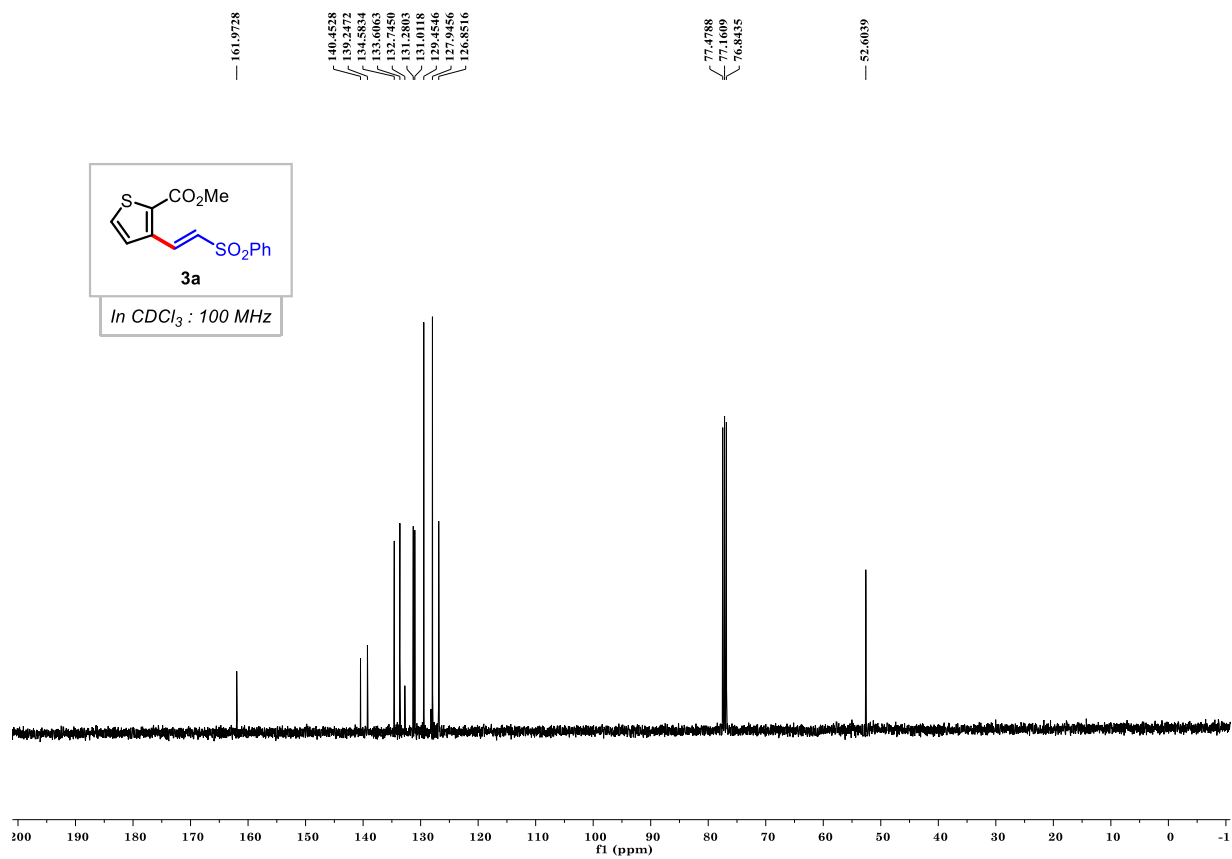
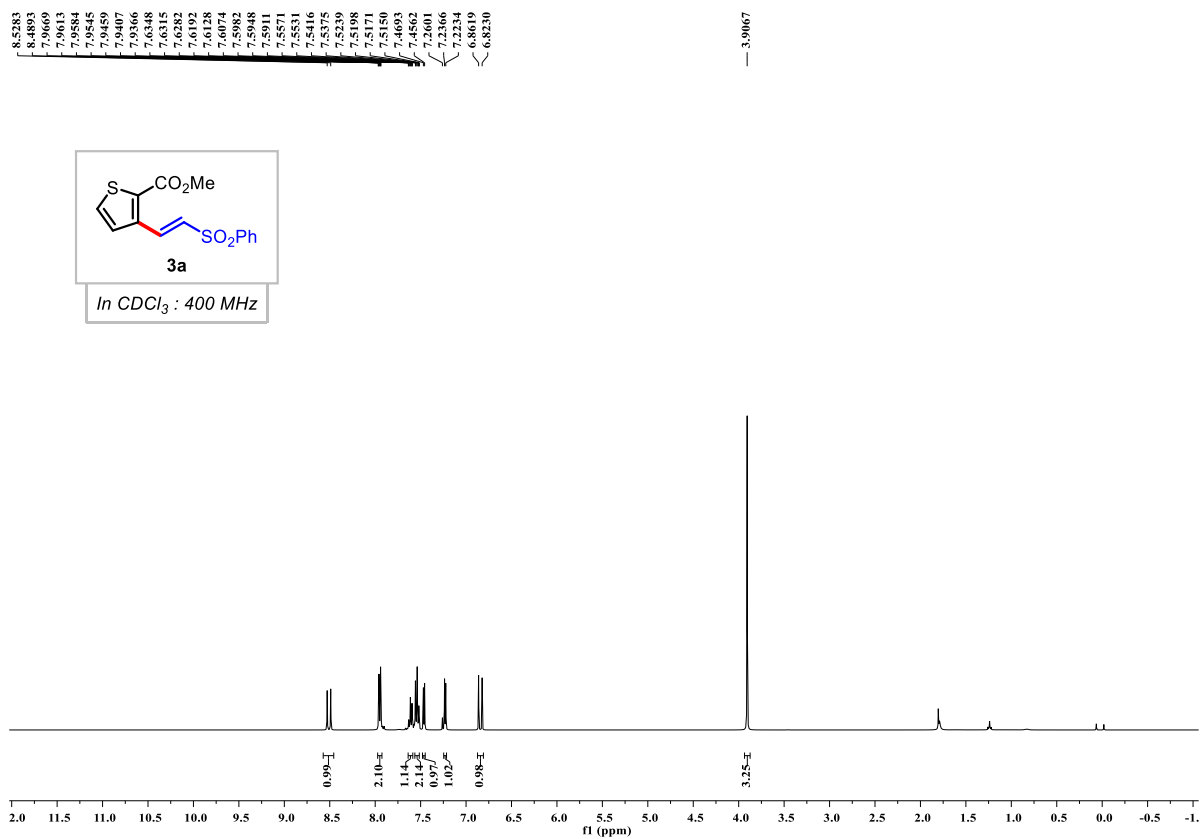
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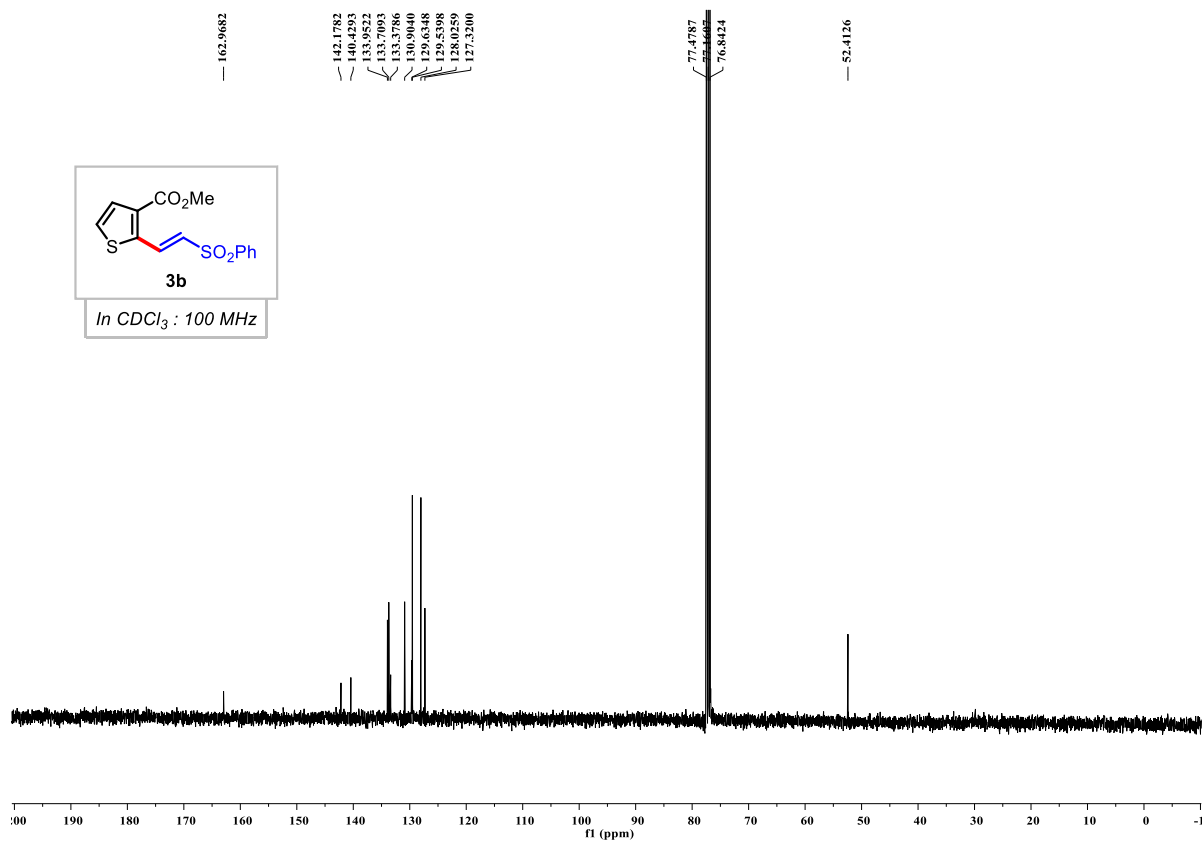
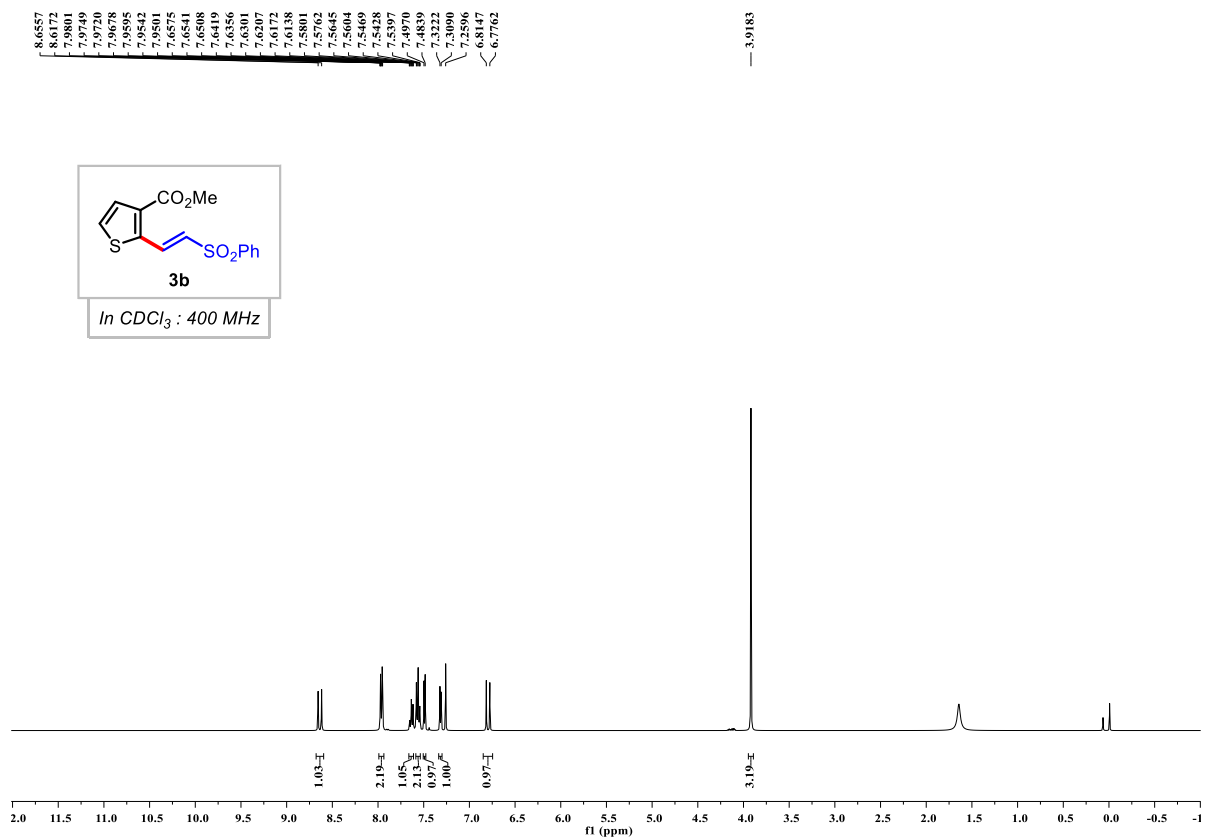
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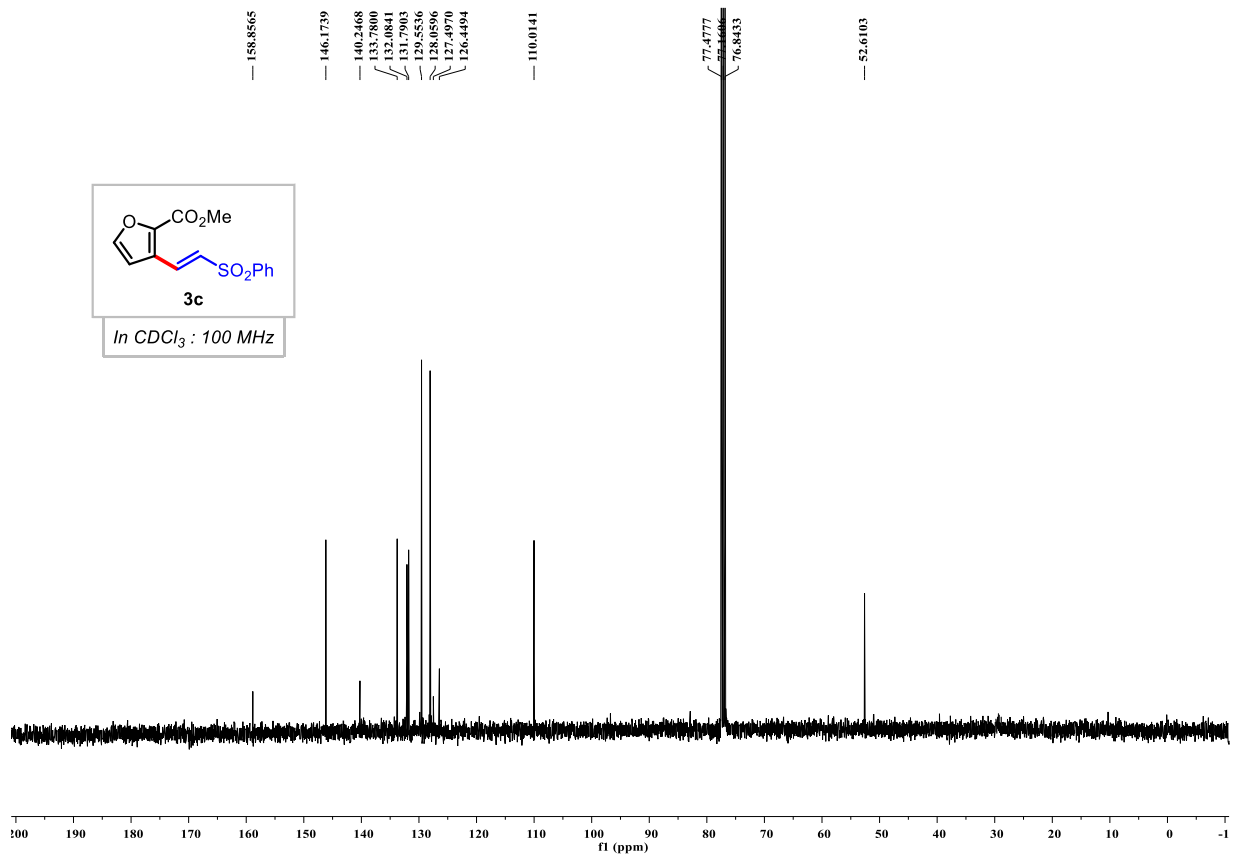
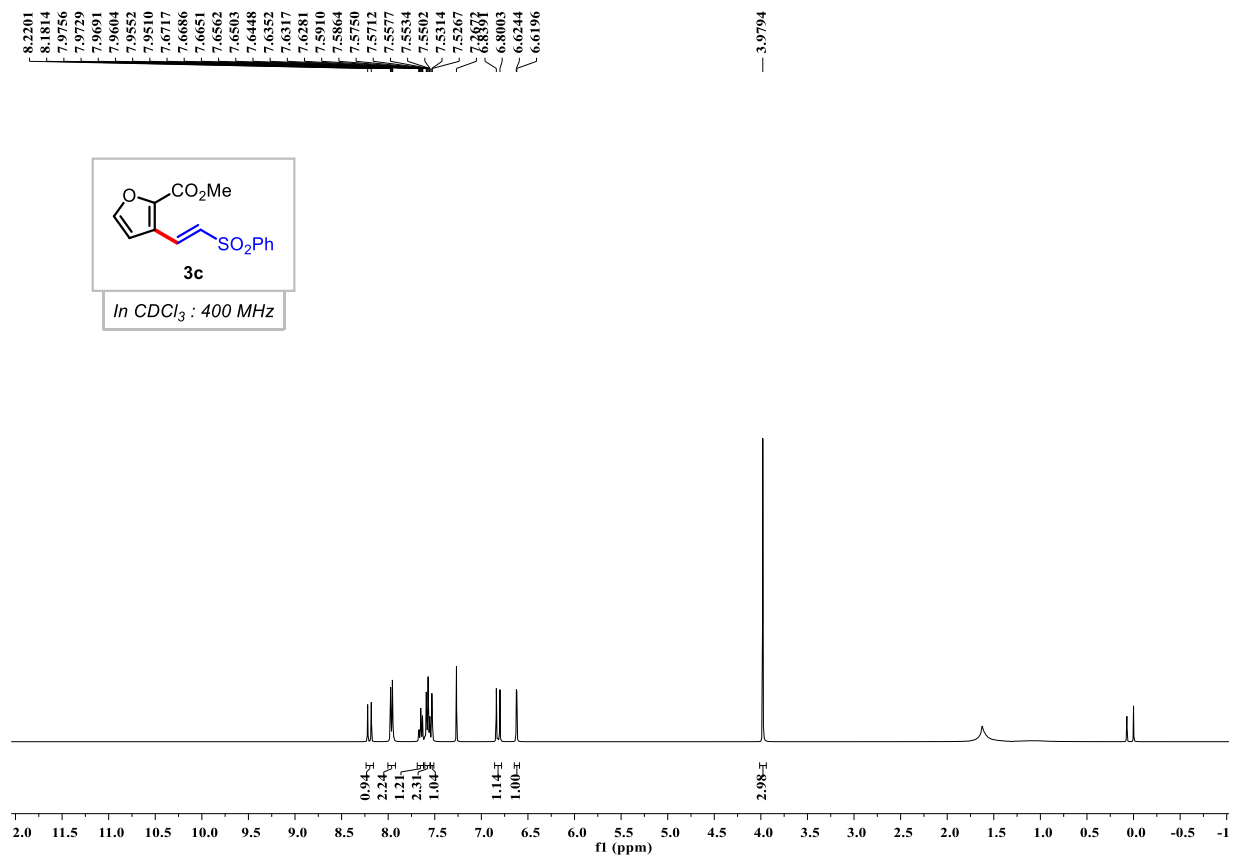
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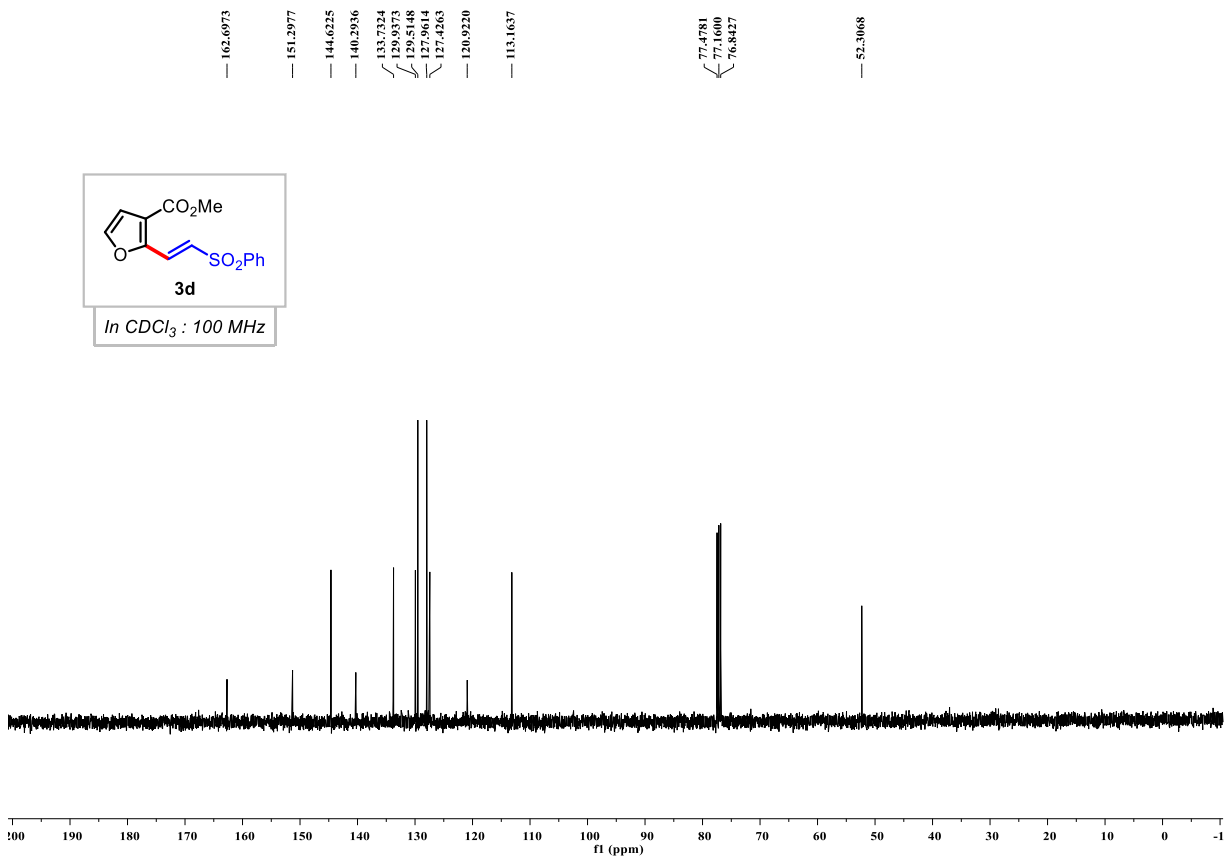
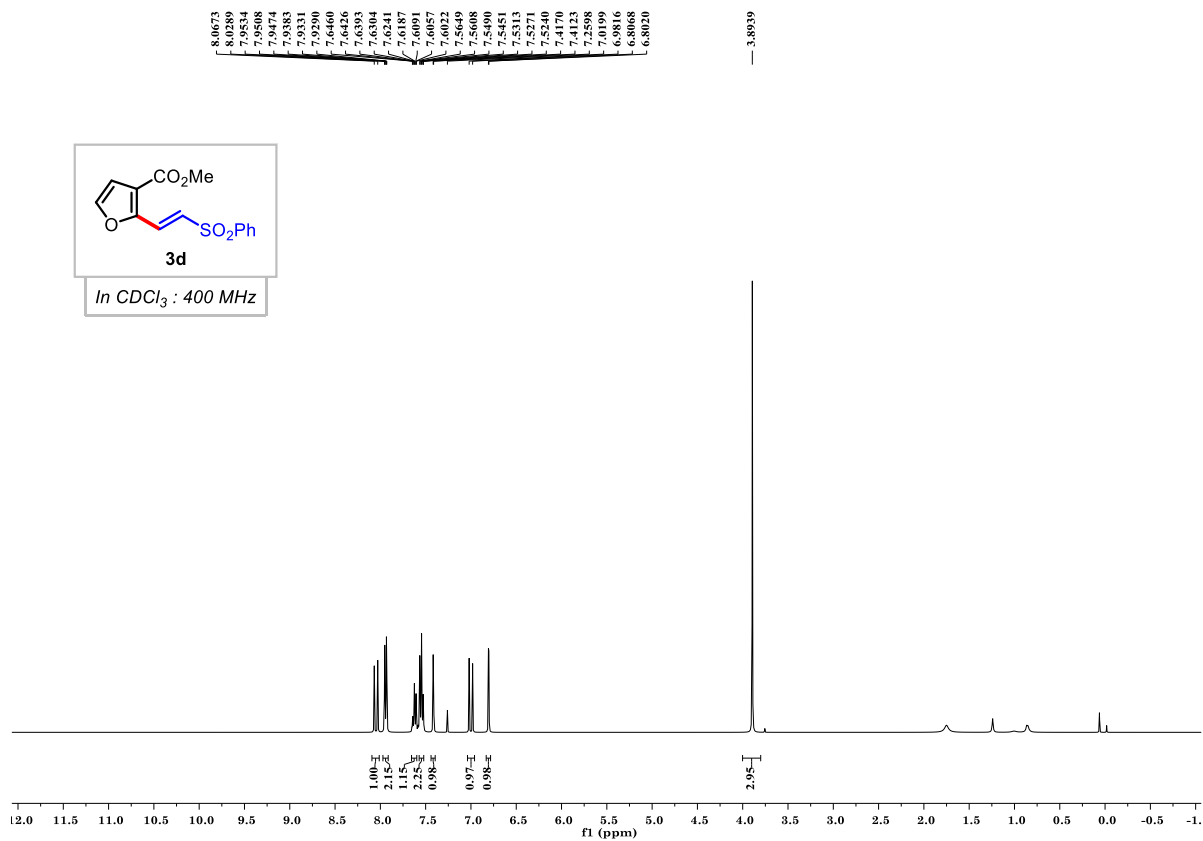
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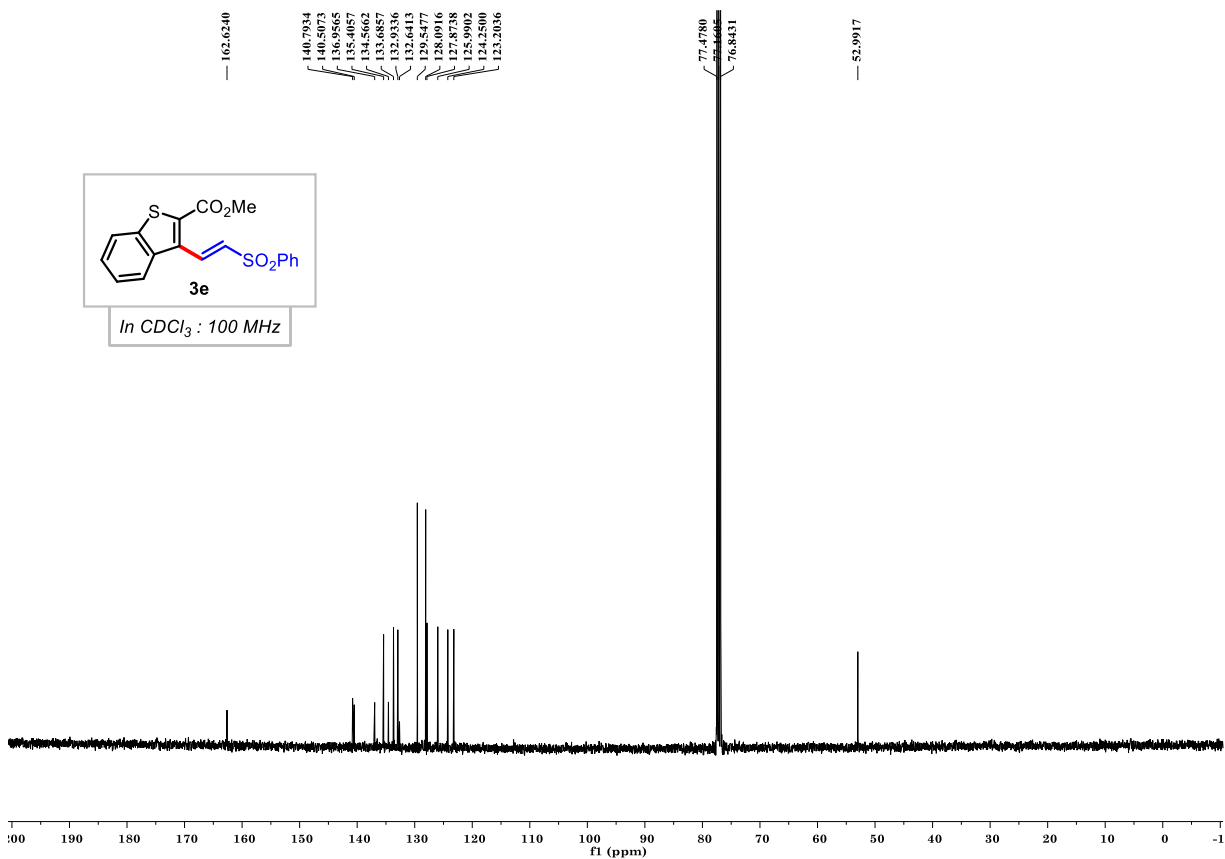
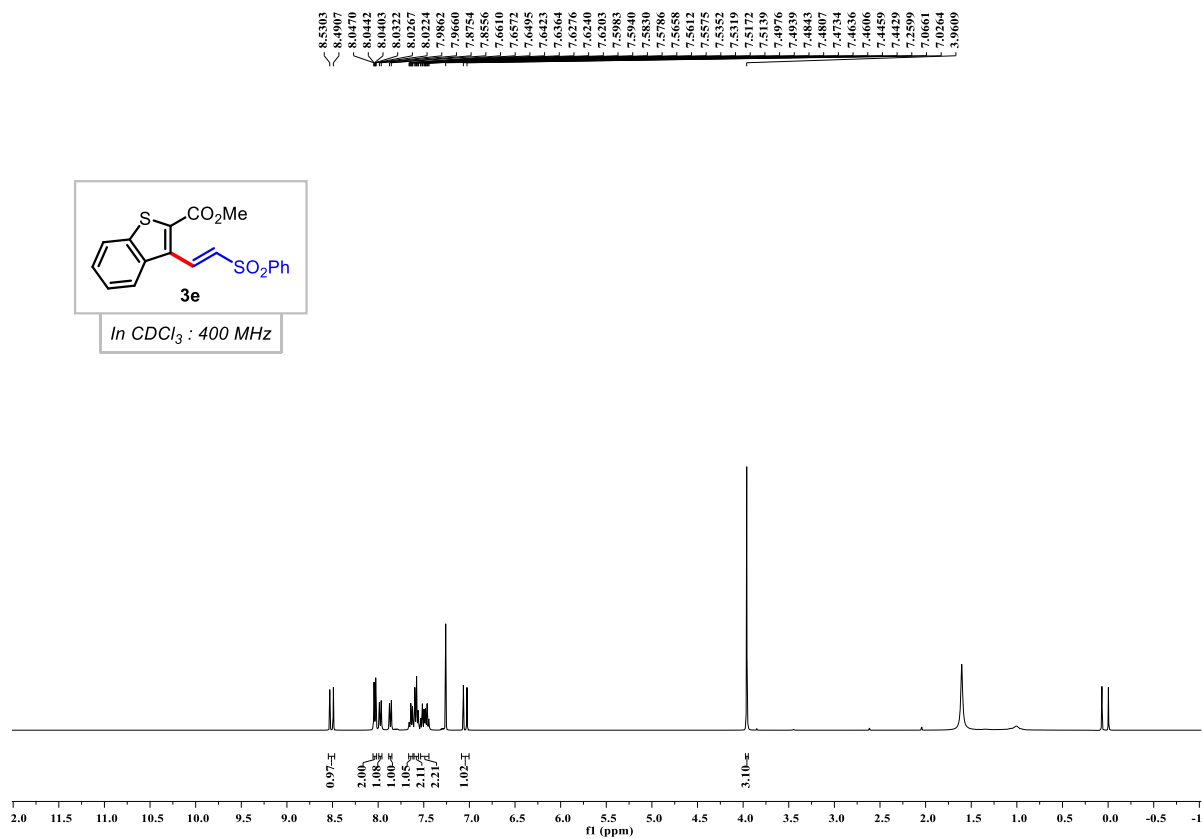
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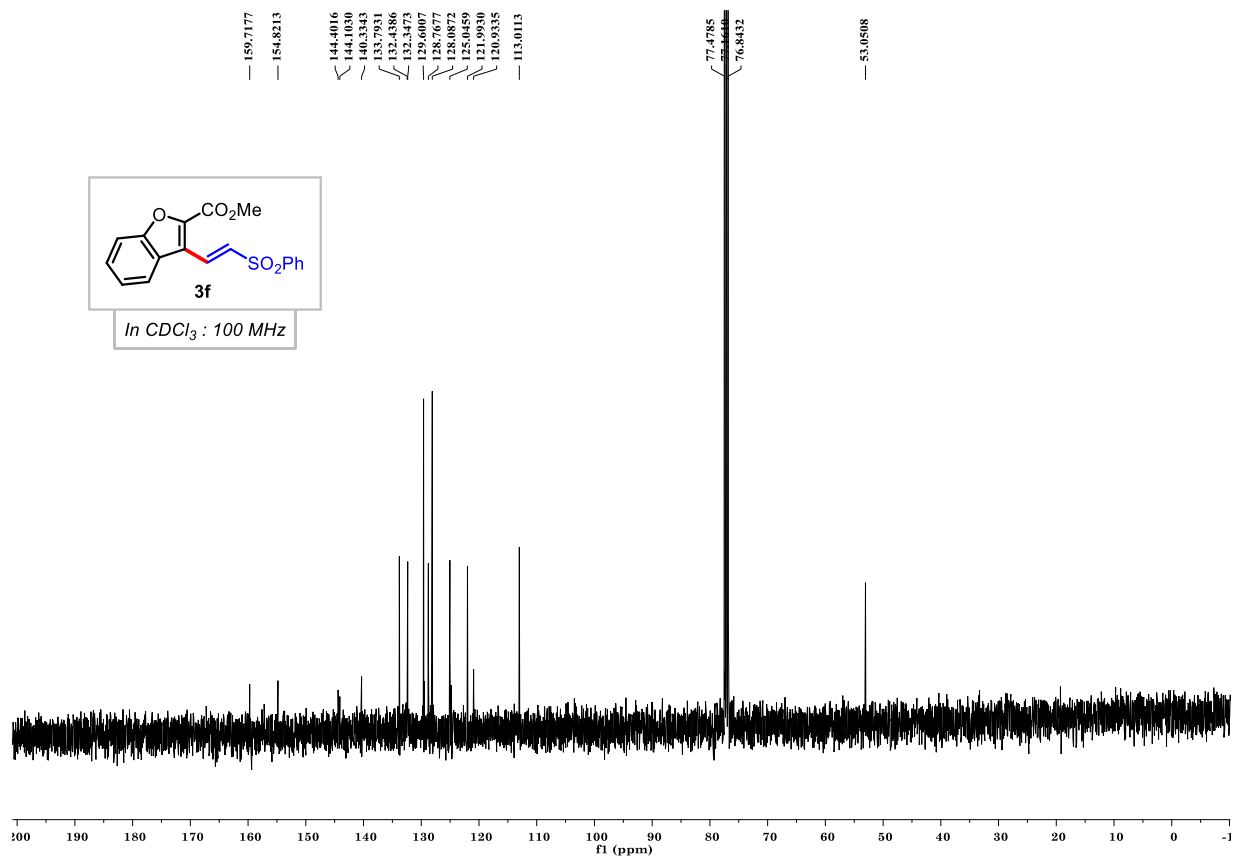
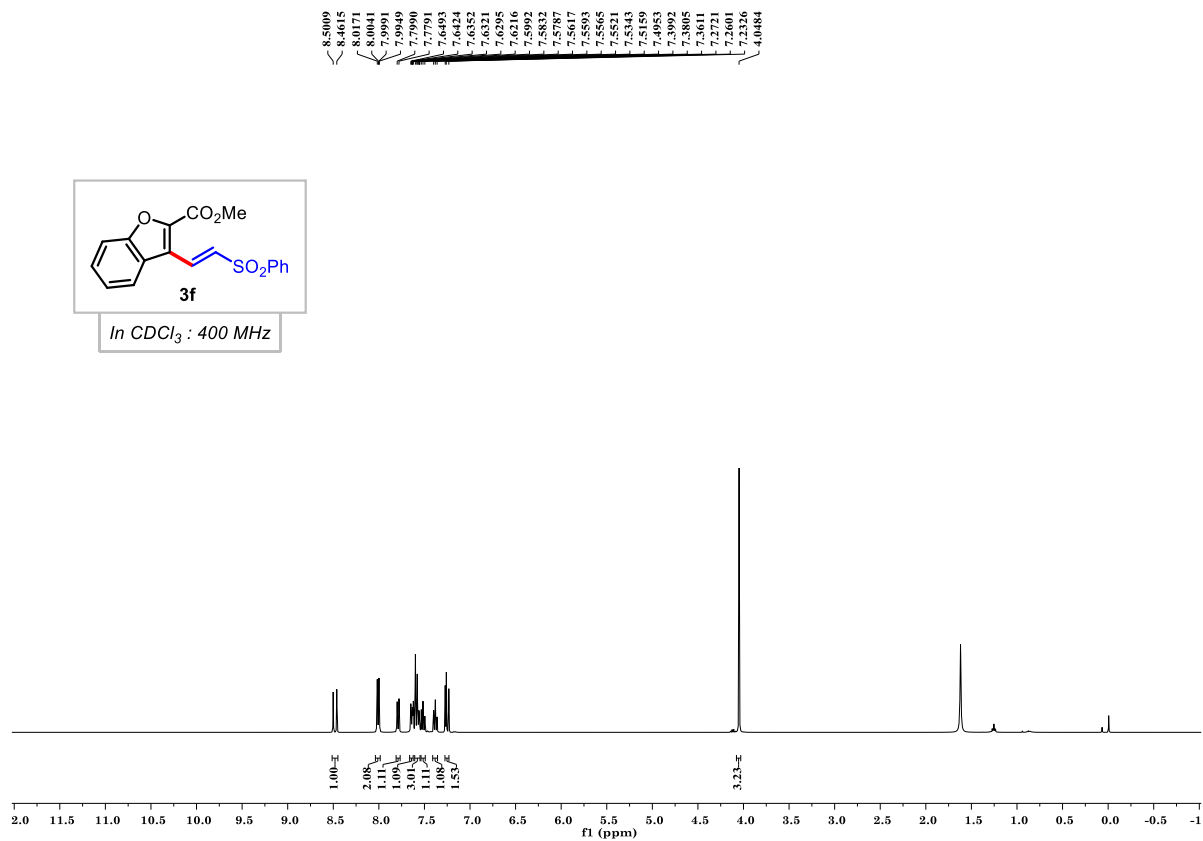


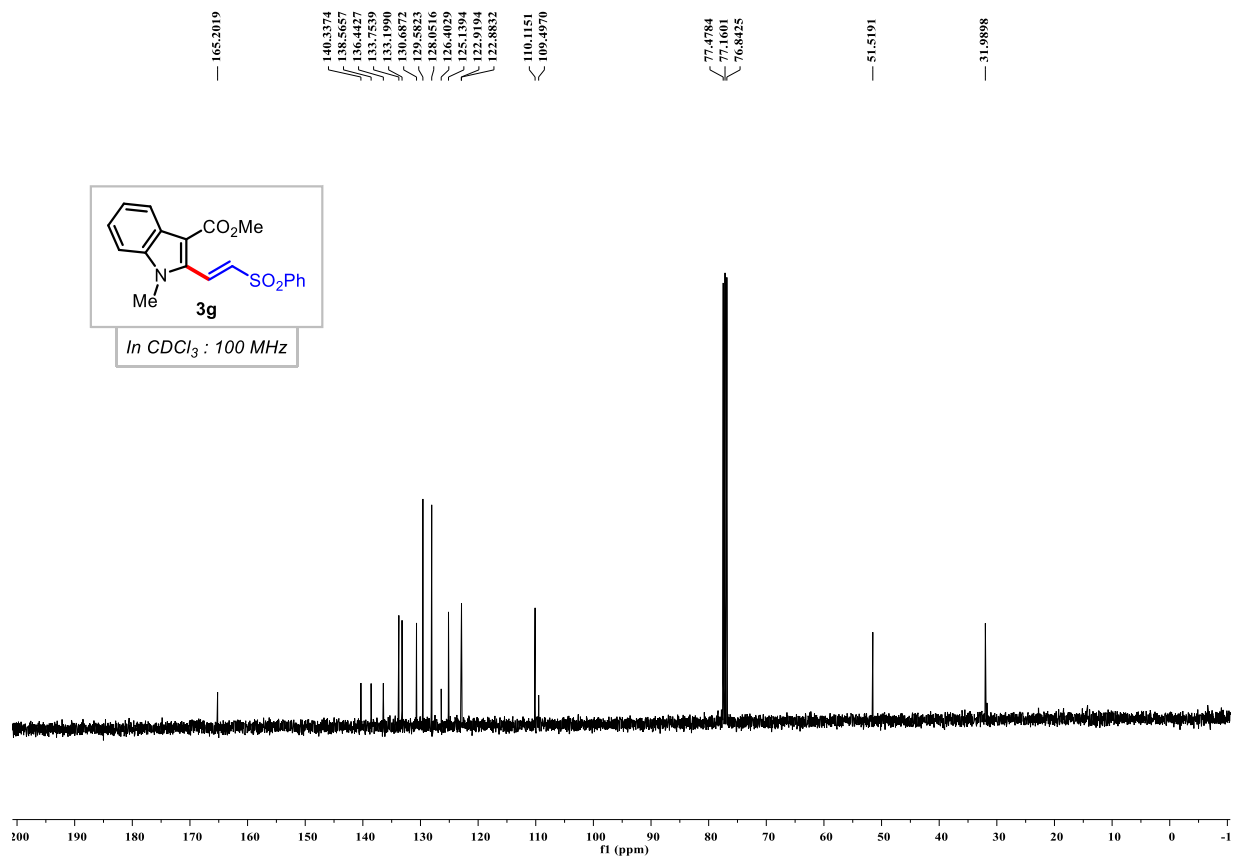
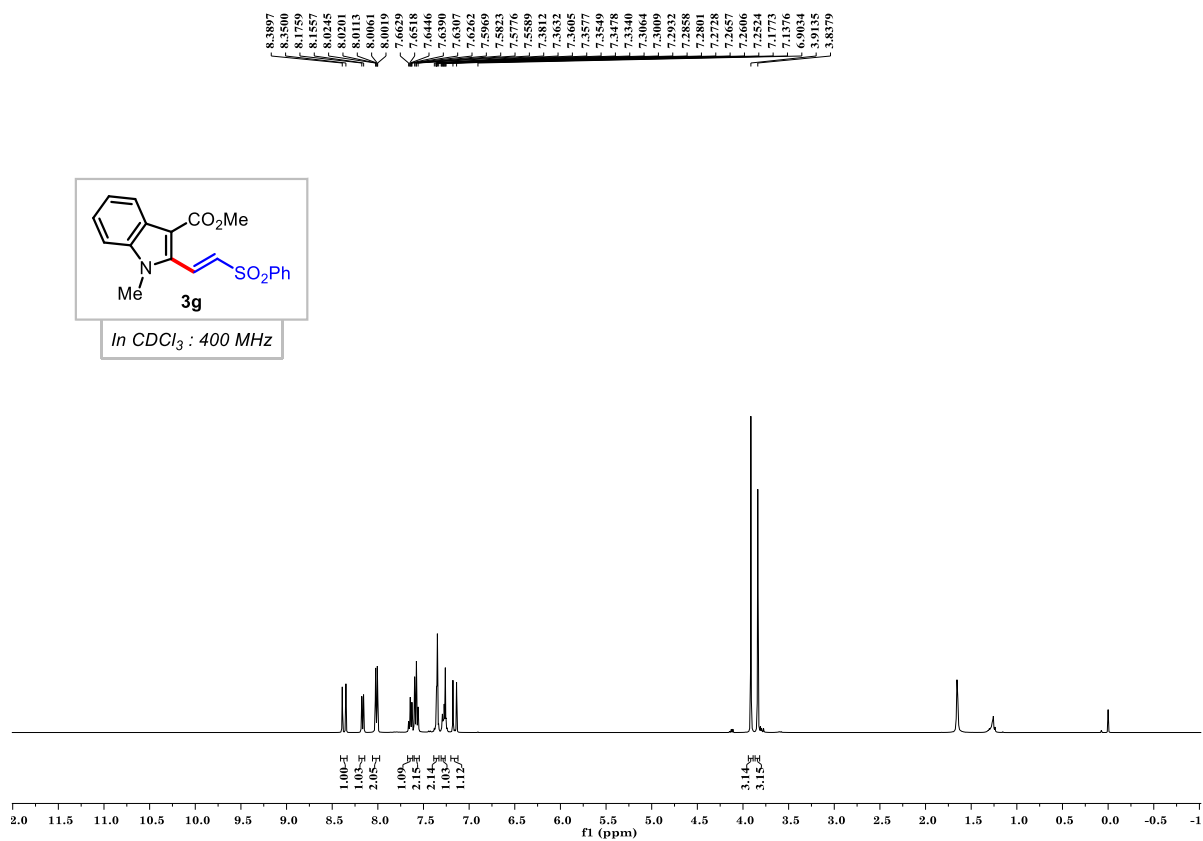


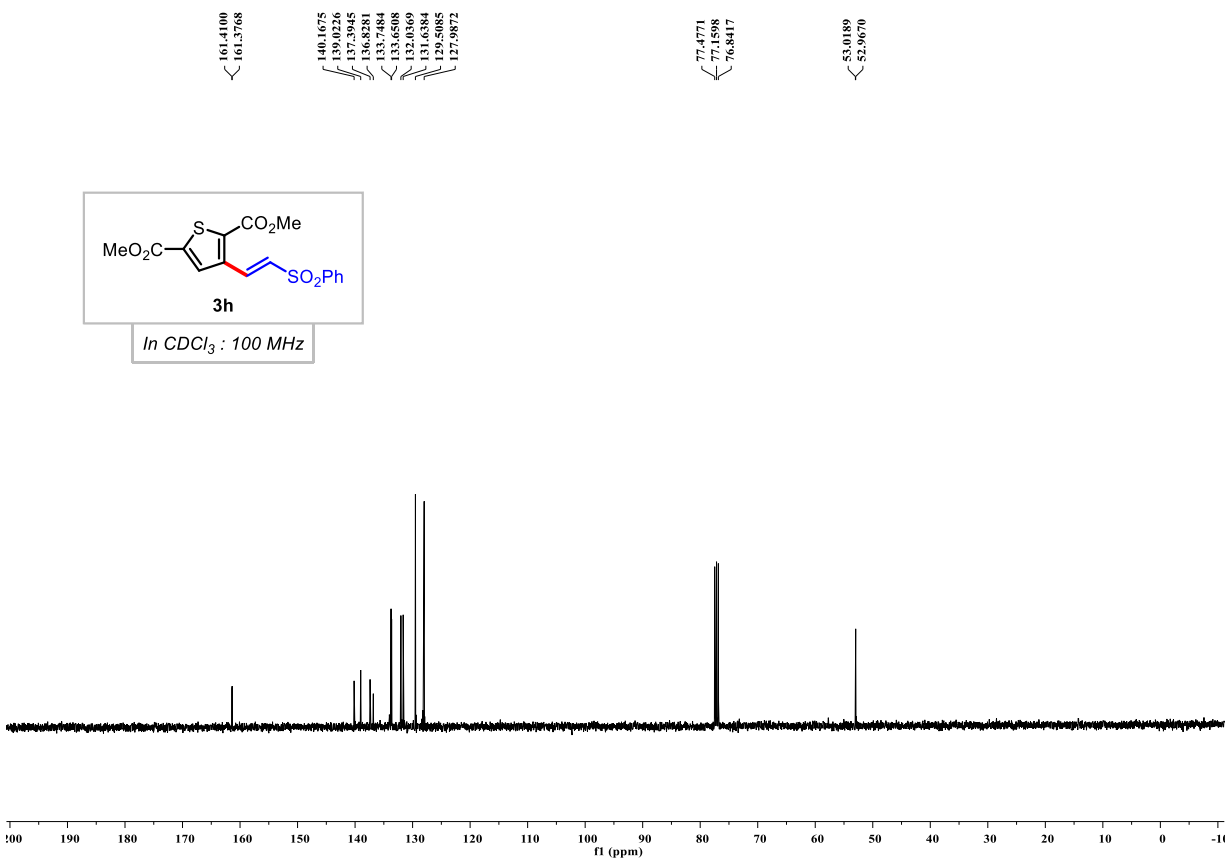
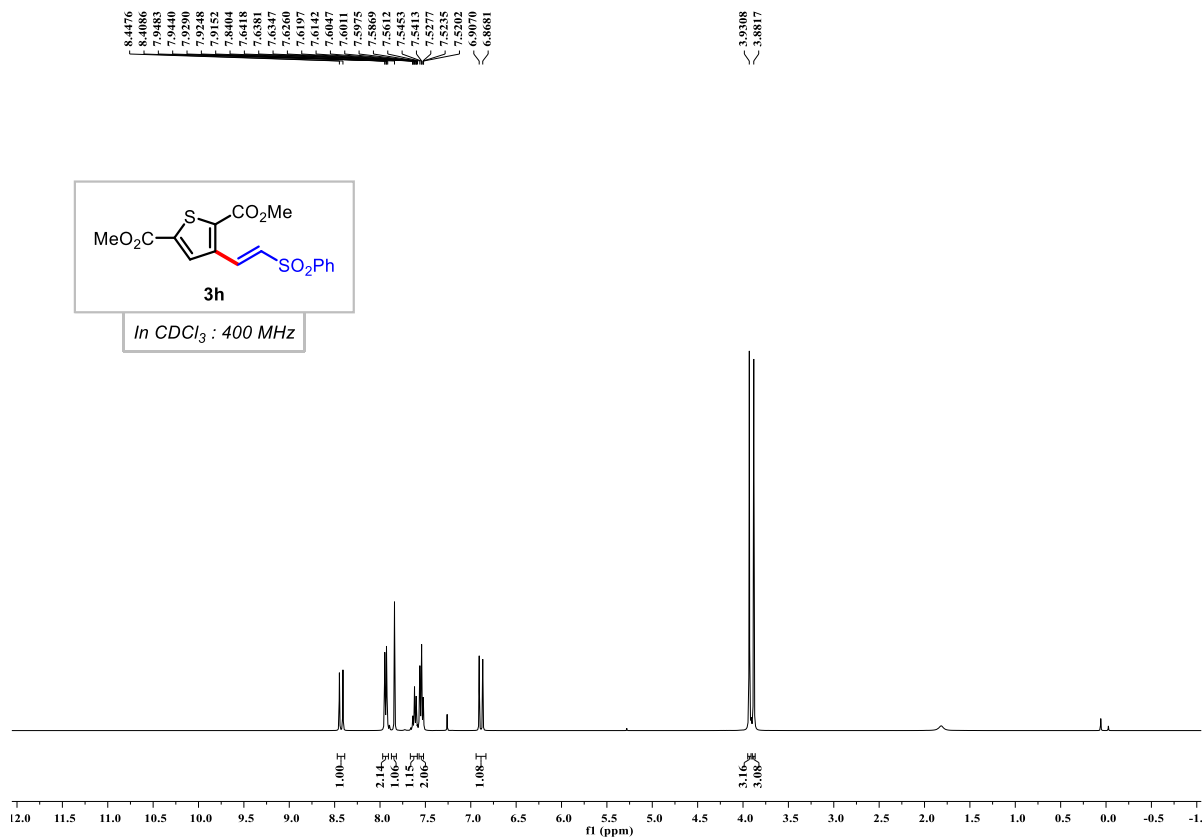


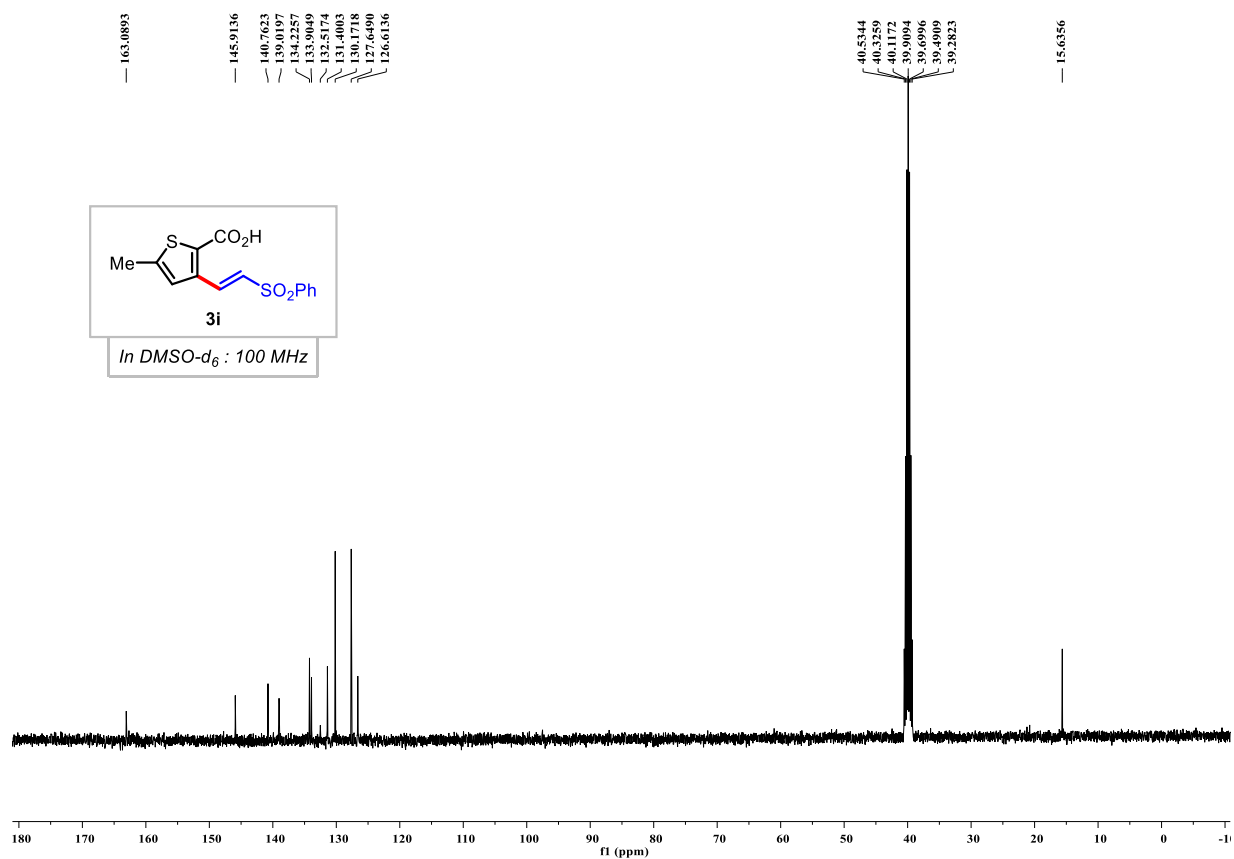
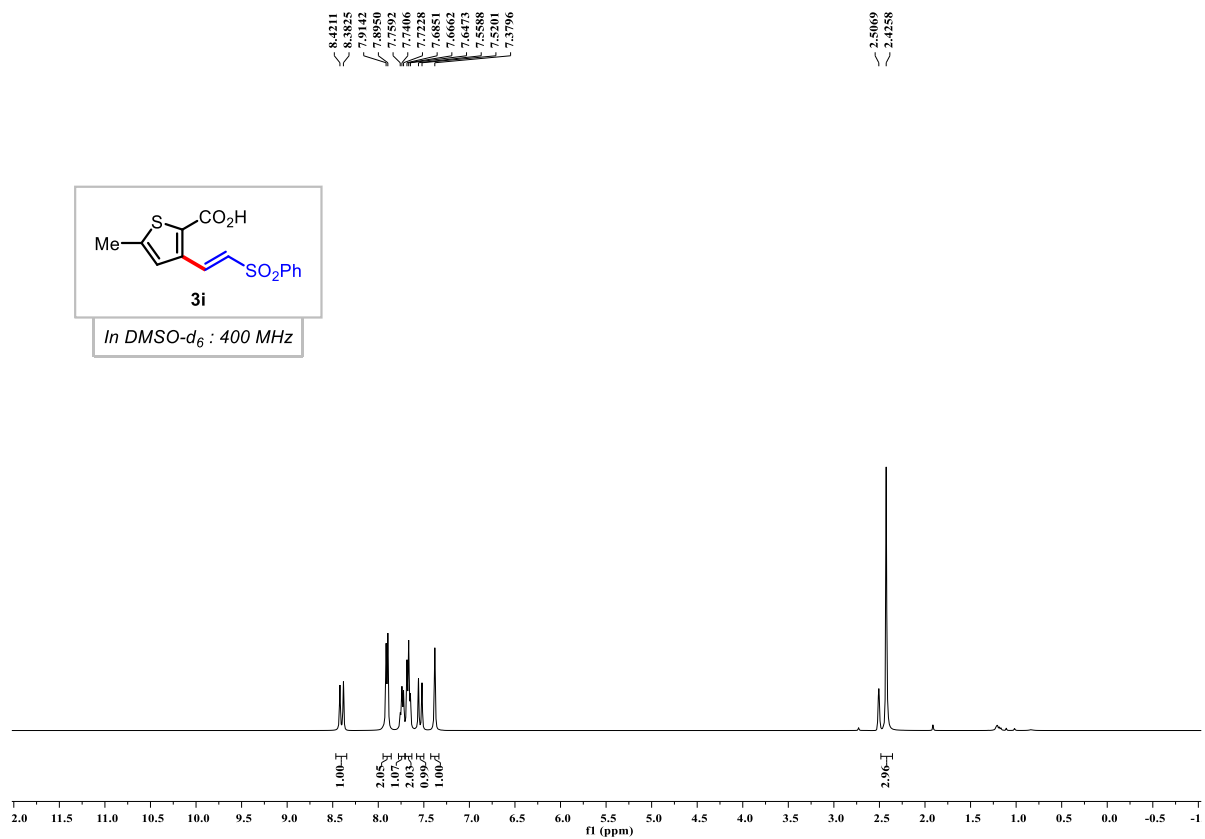


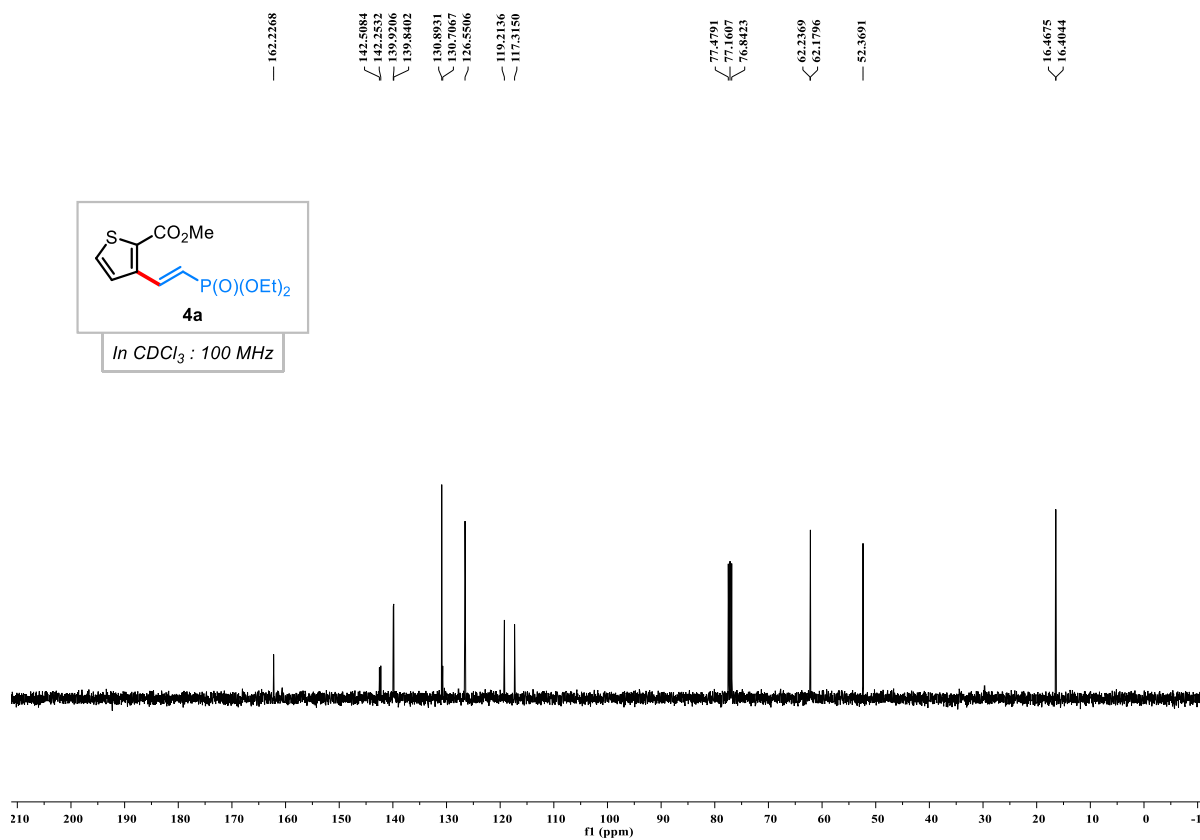
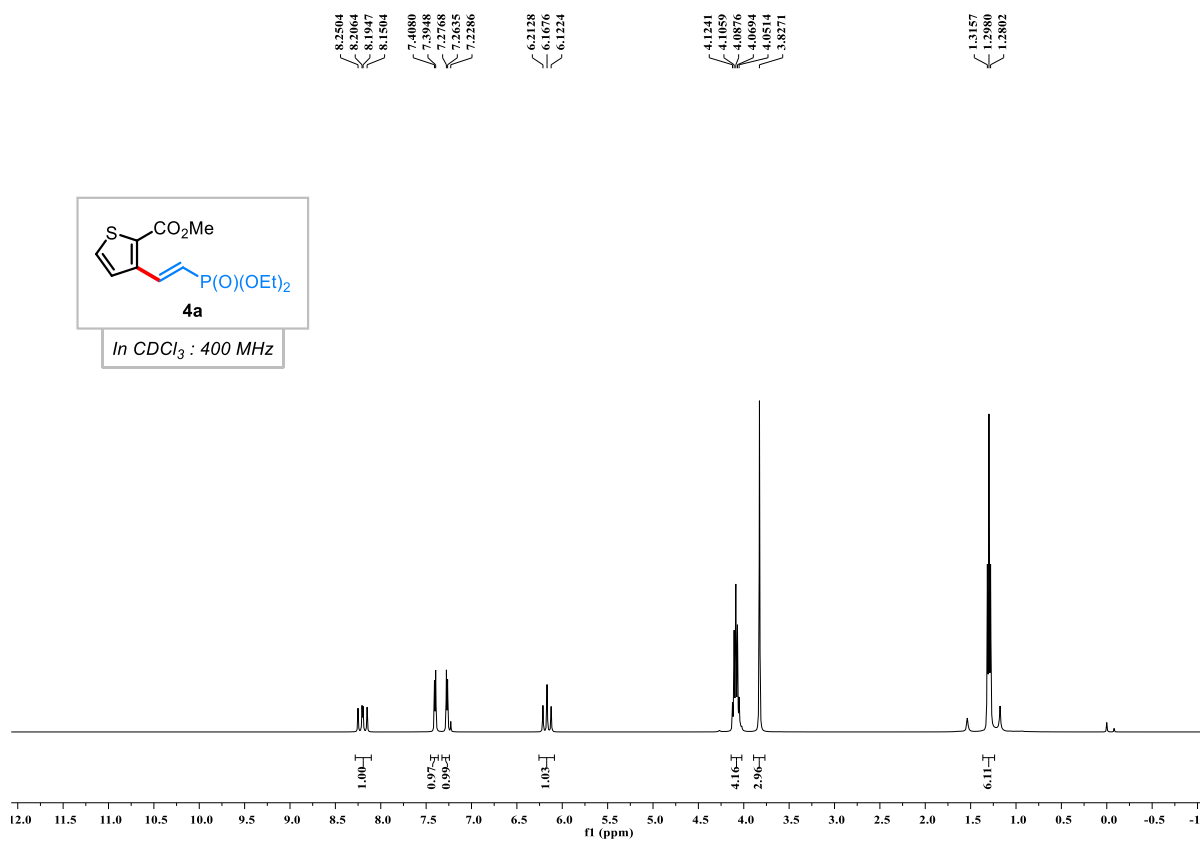


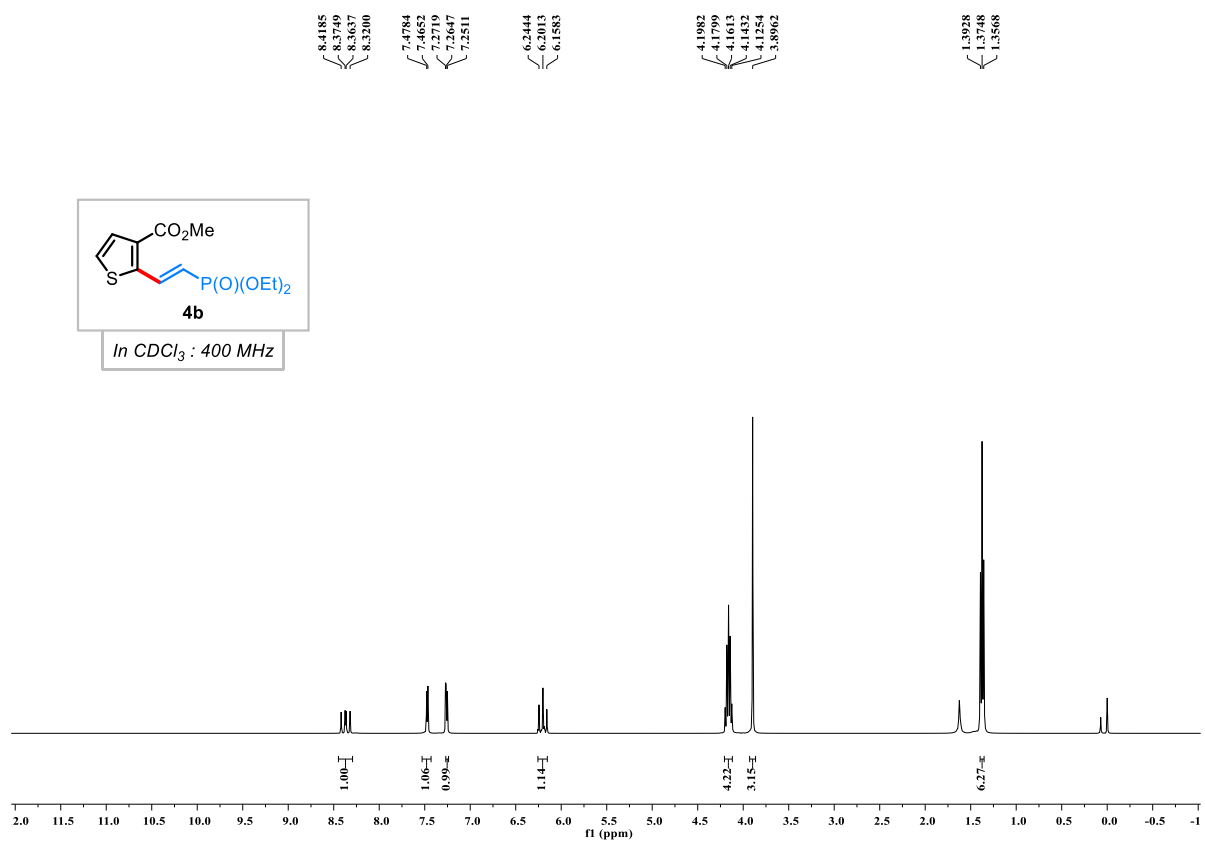
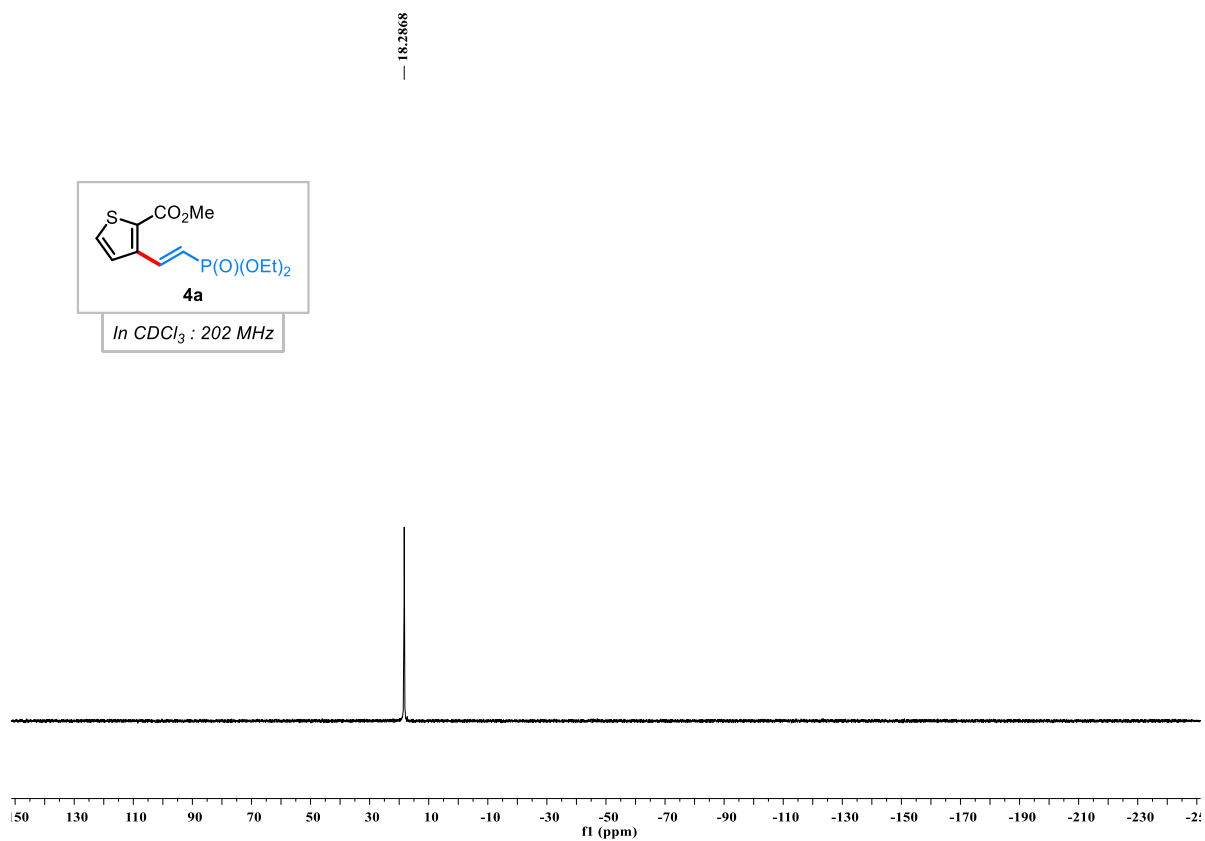


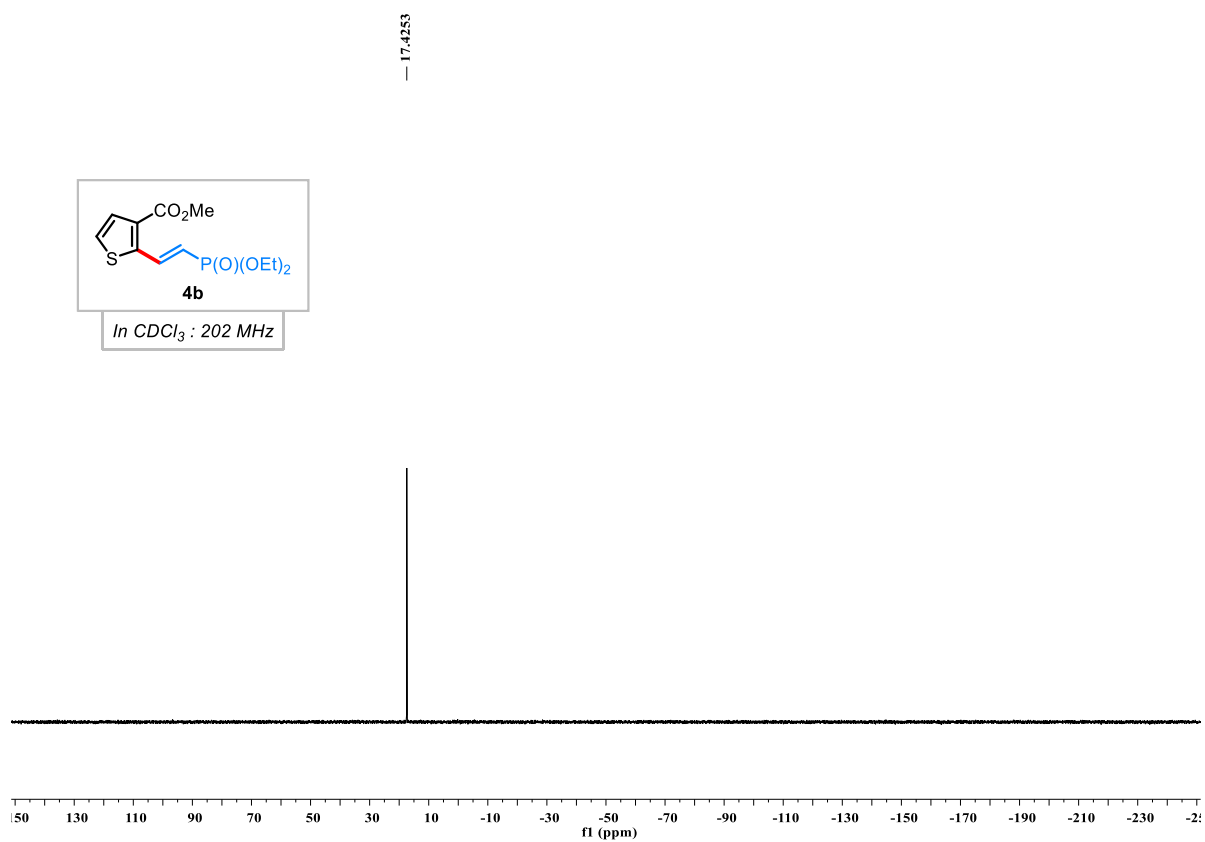
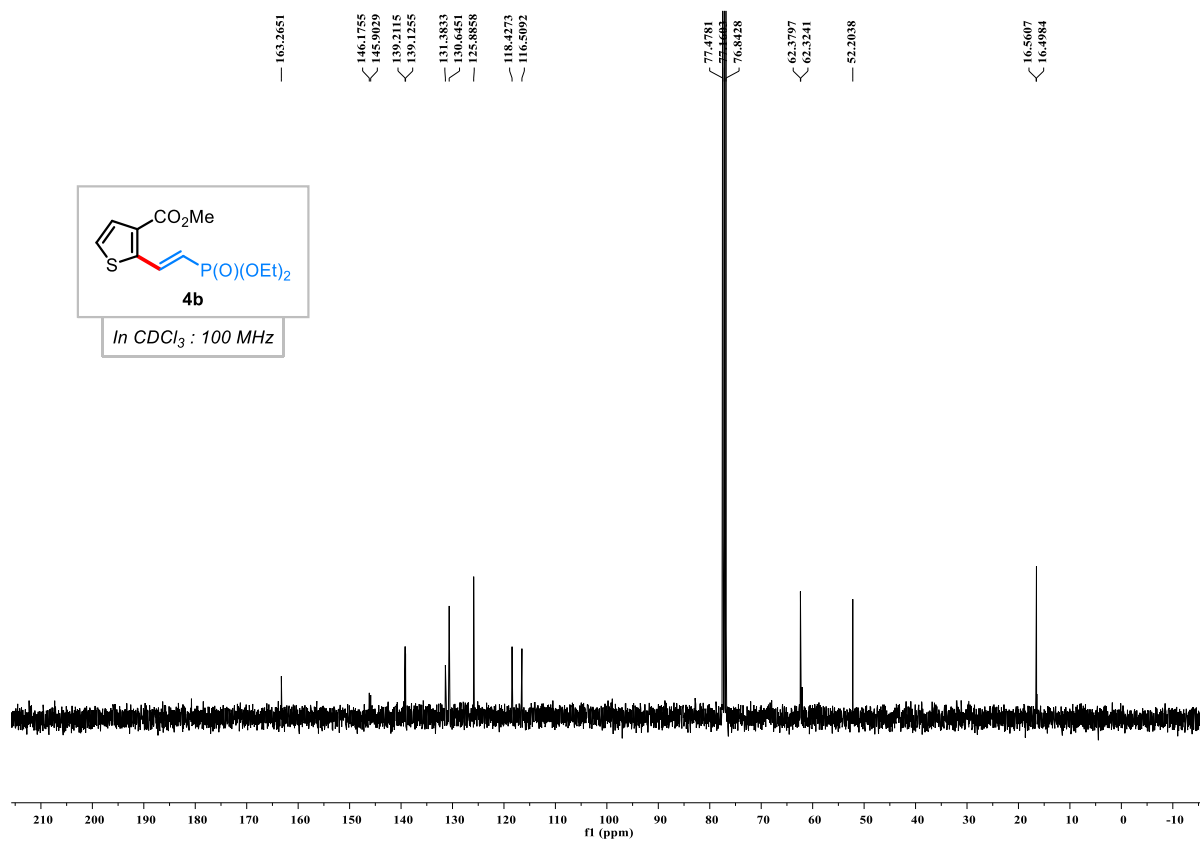


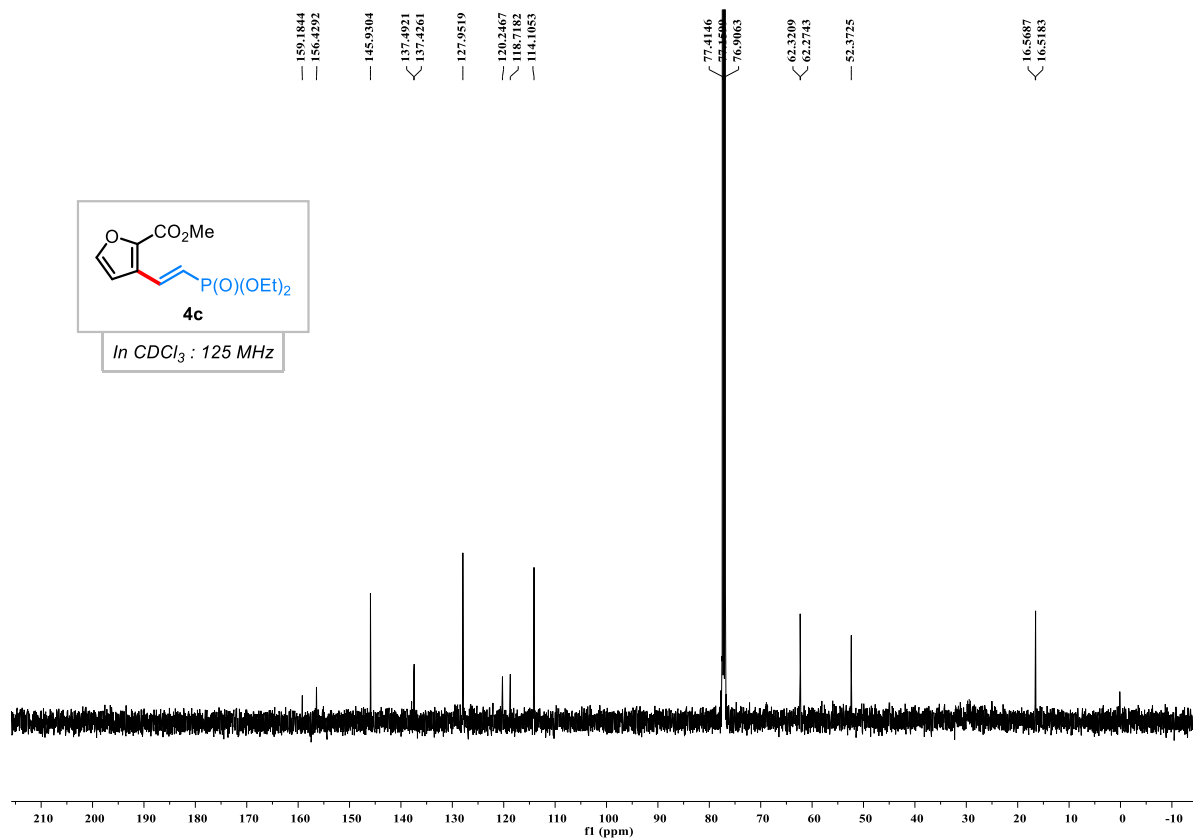
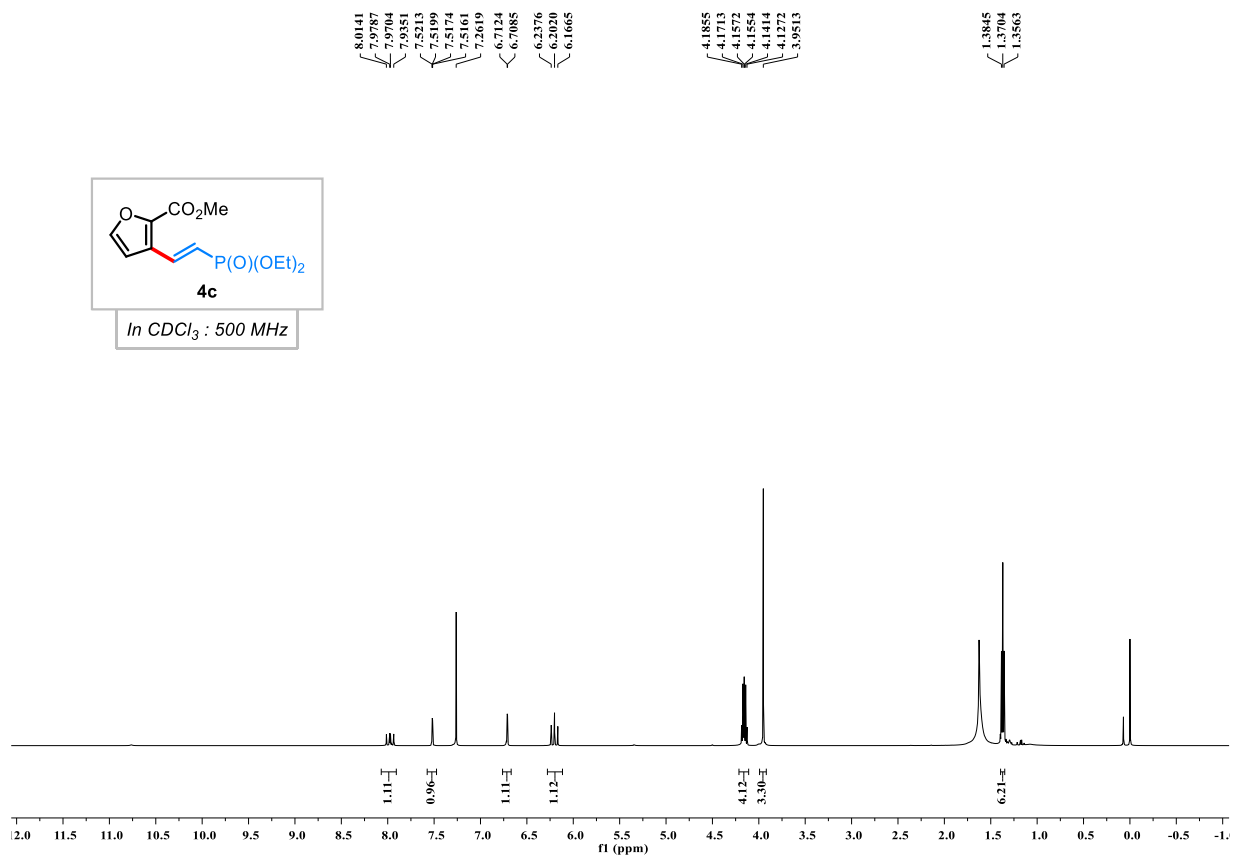


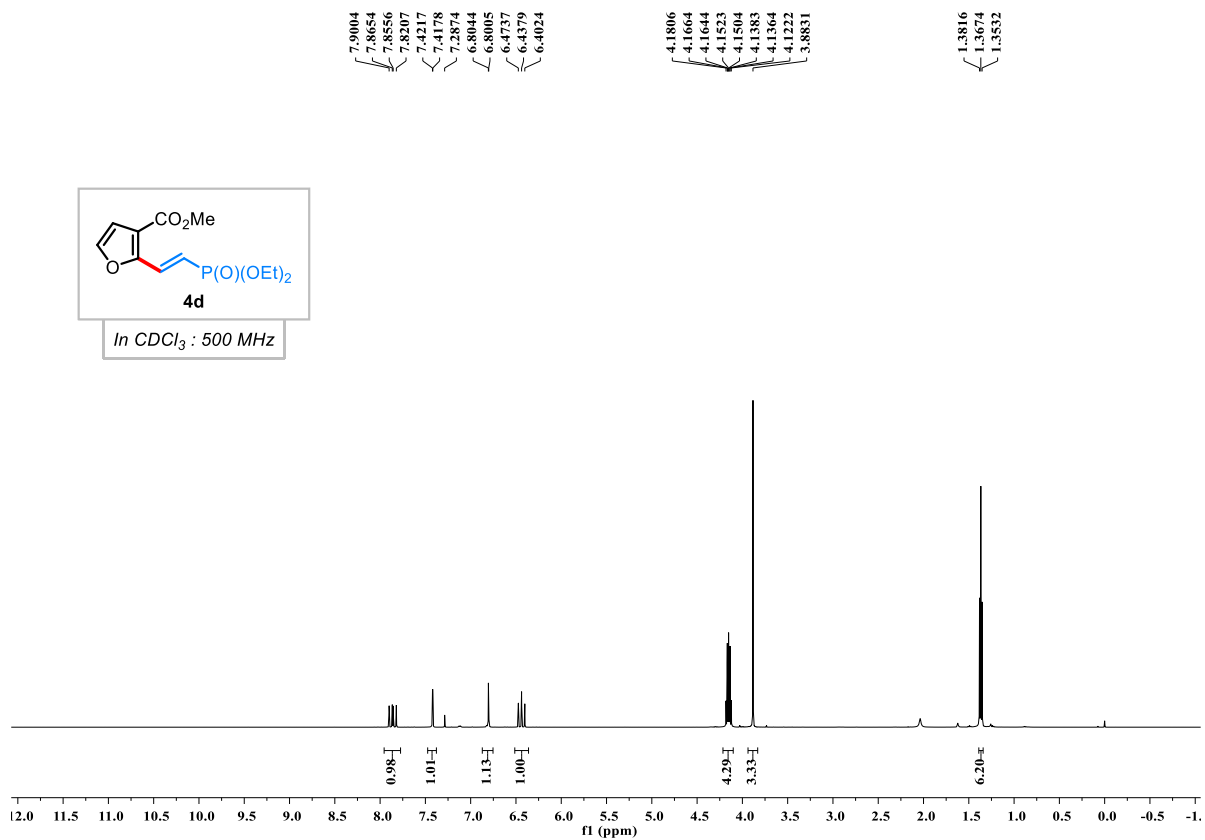
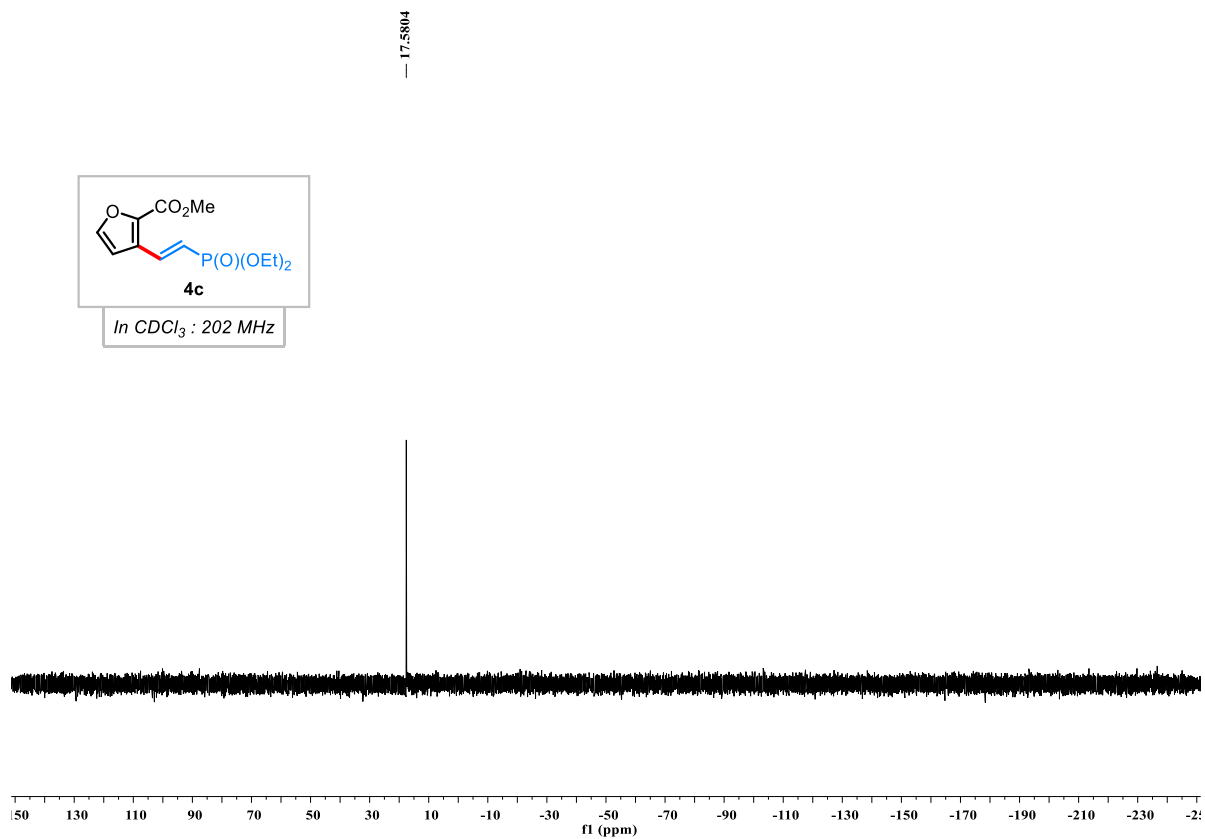


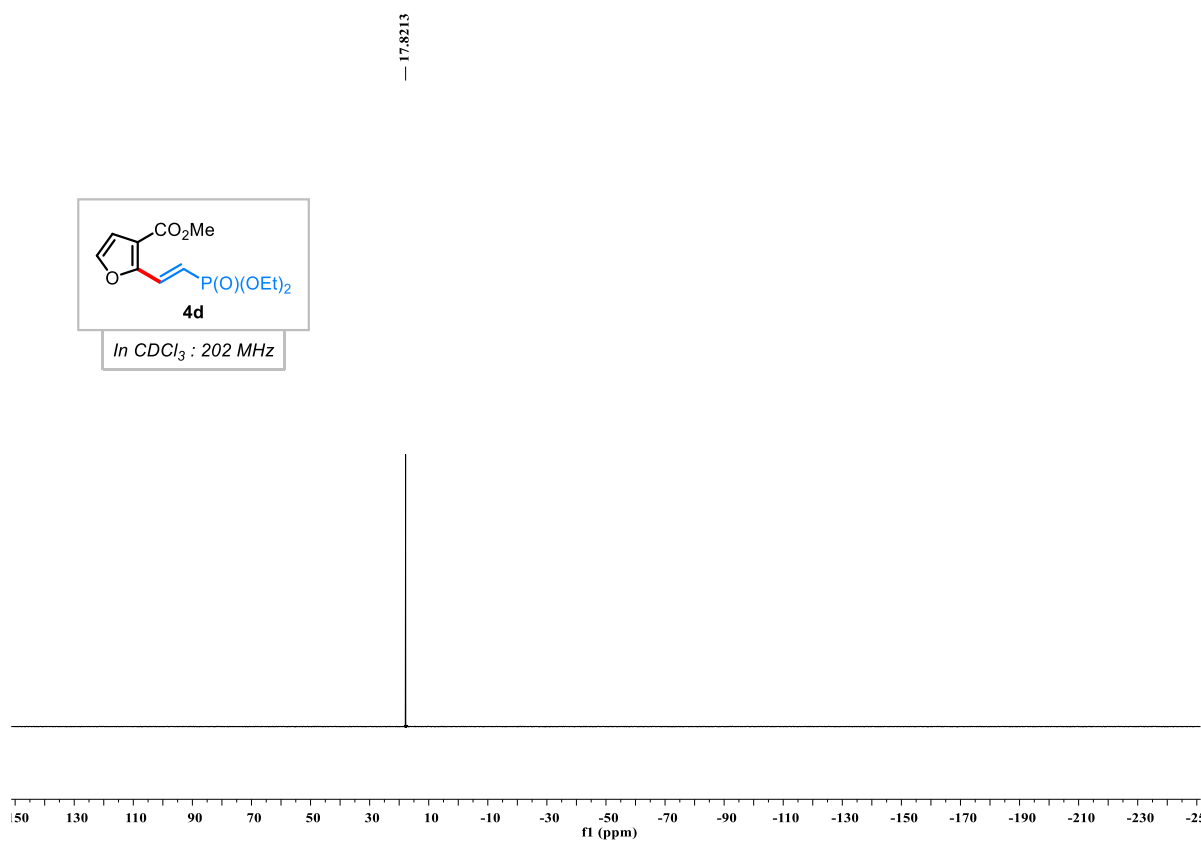
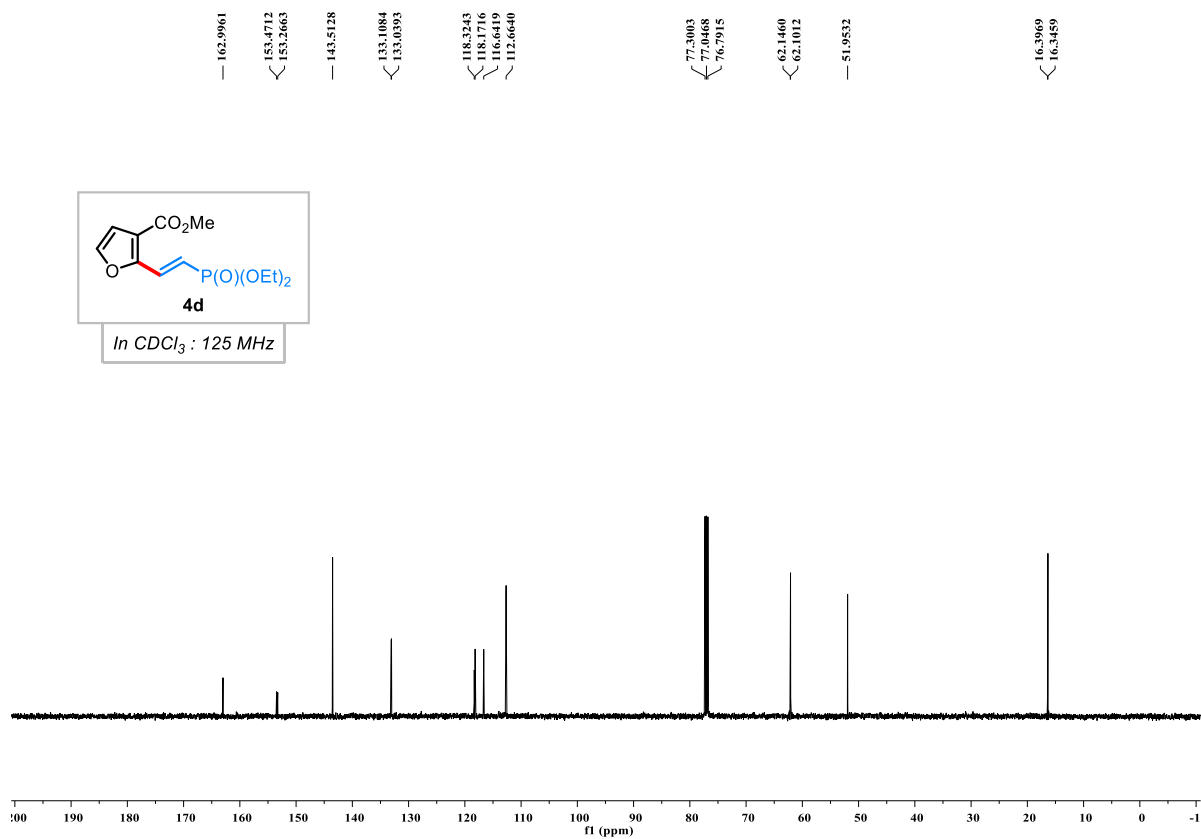


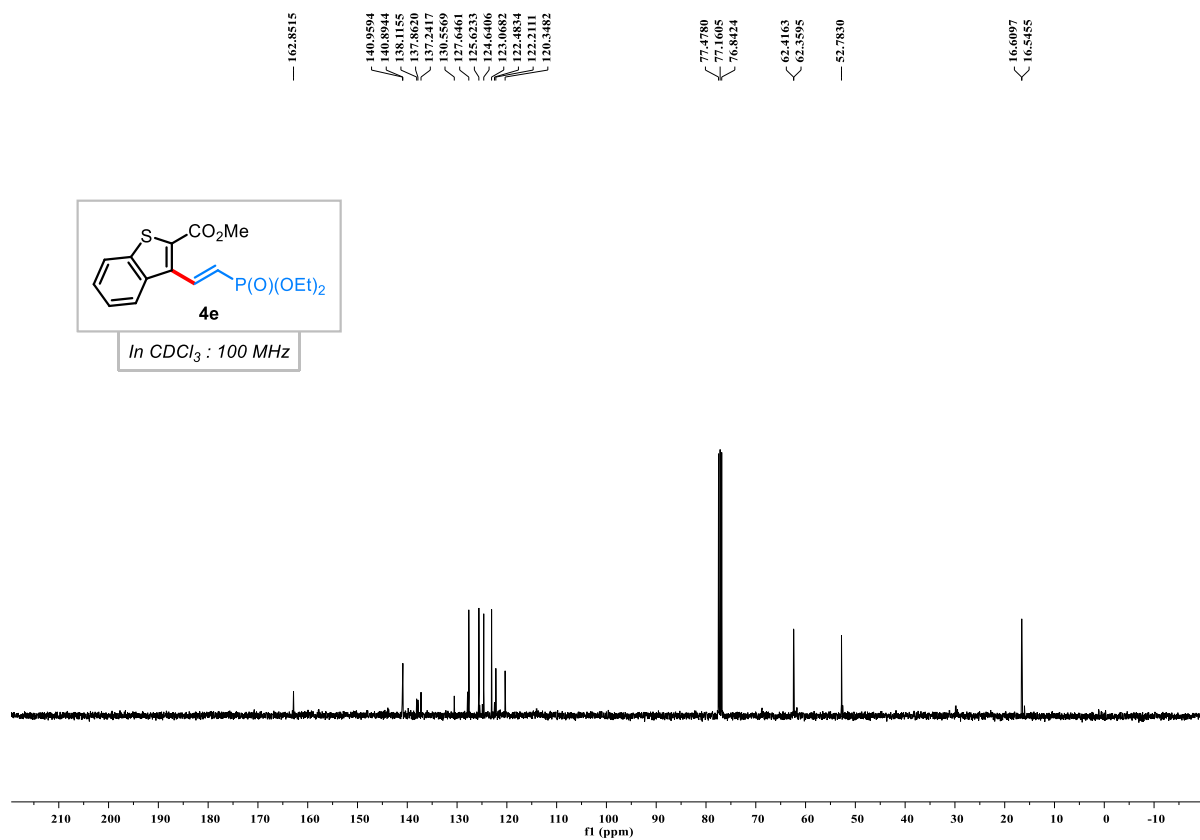
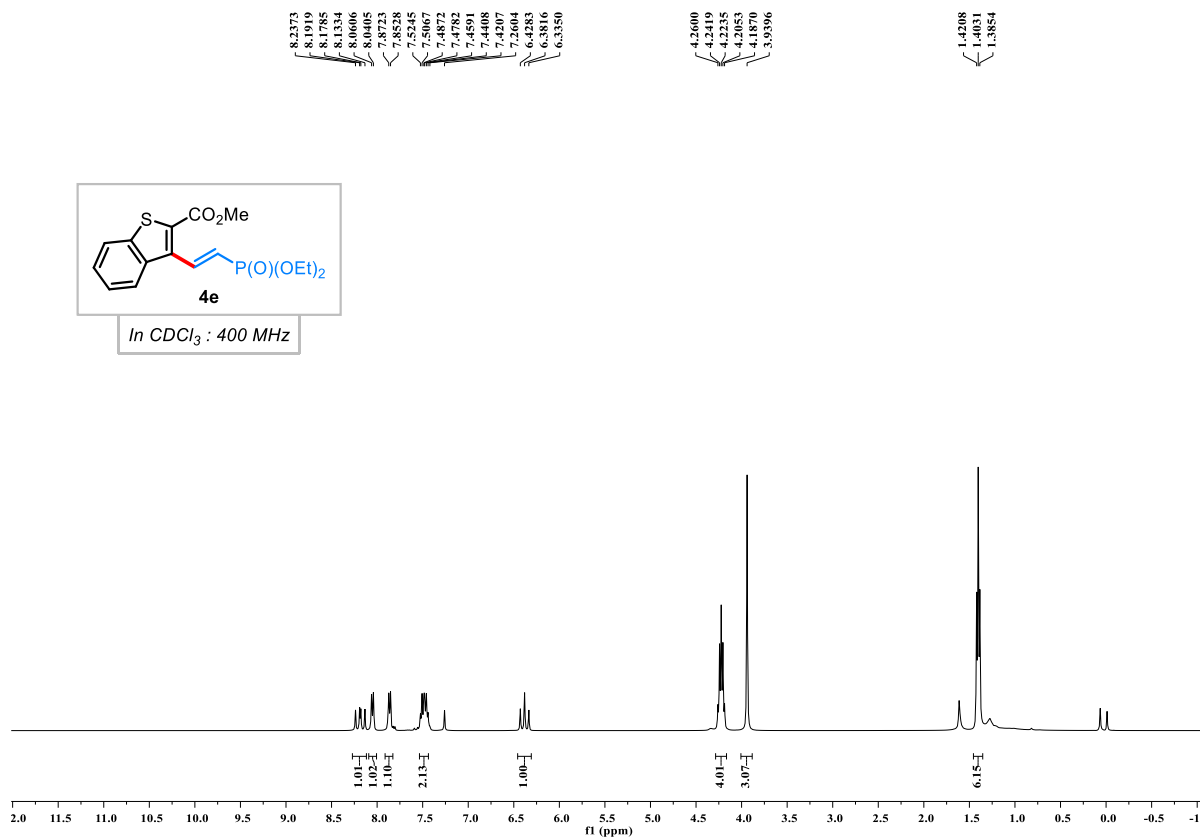


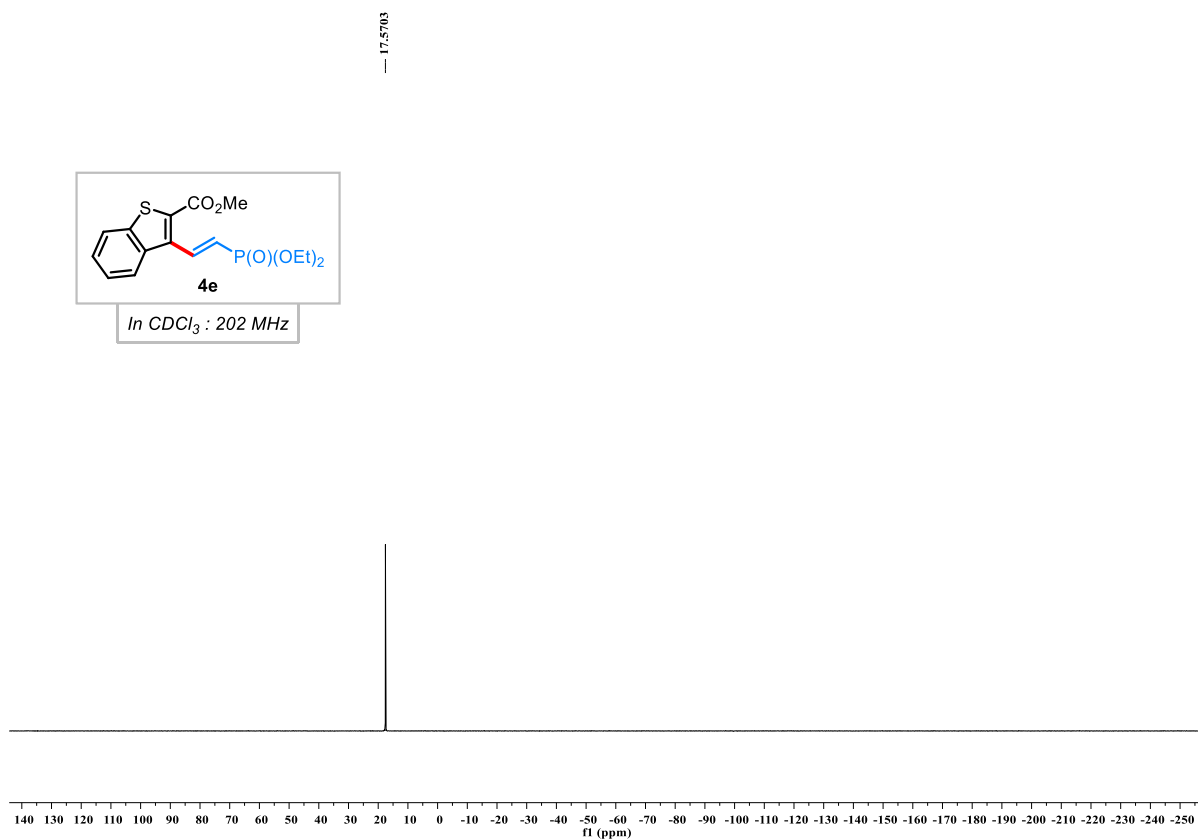












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