

Room Temperature Copper(II)-Catalyzed Oxidative Cyclization of Enamides to 2,5-Disubstituted Oxazoles via Vinylic C-H Functionalization

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General Analytical Information. Nuclear Magnetic Resonance spectra were recorded at ambient temperature. All ^1H NMR spectra were measured in parts per million (ppm) relative to the signals for tetramethylsilane (TMS) added into the deuterated chloroform (CDCl_3) (0 ppm), or the signals for residual dimethyl sulfoxide (DMSO) in deuterated DMSO ($\text{DMSO}-d_6$) (2.50 ppm), unless otherwise stated. Data for ^1H NMR were reported as follows: chemical shift, multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, qu = quintet, m = multiplet, br = broad, ovrlp = overlap), coupling constants, and integration. All ^{13}C NMR spectra were reported in ppm relative to CDCl_3 (77.16 ppm) or $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ (25.12 ppm) unless otherwise stated, and were obtained with complete ^1H decoupling. All ^{19}F NMR spectra were reported in ppm relative to a CFCl_3 external standard (0 ppm).

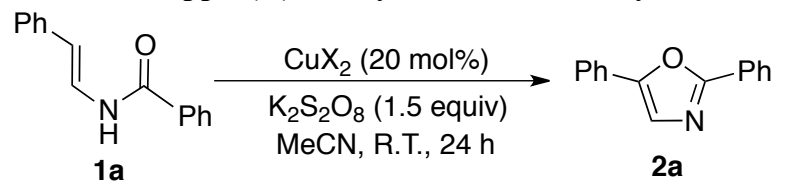
General Reagent Information. THF was purchased from J.T. Baker and vigorously purged with argon for 1 h. The solvent was further purified by passing it under argon pressure through two packed columns of neutral alumina. Anhydrous acetonitrile (99.8%) was purchased from Alfa Aesar. Copper(II) bromide (CuBr_2) (99%), ethyl nicotinate, and tetrabutylammonium bromide were purchased from Aldrich and used as received. Potassium carbonate and potassium persulfate (99%) were purchased from Alfa Aesar and were used as received. Other commercial materials were used as received unless otherwise noted.

General Considerations. All reactions for the syntheses of enamides and the oxidative cyclizations of enamides to oxazoles were set up on bench-top and carried out in re-sealable test tubes with Teflon septa under an argon atmosphere. Flash column chromatography was performed using Silicycle silica gel (ultra pure grade). The solvent system as an eluent for column chromatography is presented as a ratio of solvent volumes. Yields reported in the publication are of isolated materials. The yields of oxazoles represent an average of two independent runs unless otherwise noted. Known substrates (vinyl halides / amides) were prepared using the literature methods or modified procedures, and they were characterized by comparing their ^1H NMR spectra to the previously reported data. Known starting materials (enamides) were characterized by ^1H NMR, ^{13}C NMR, and IR spectroscopies, as well as by melting point determination (for solids). Unknown substrates (vinyl bromides) and unknown starting materials (enamides), as well as all products (oxazoles), were characterized by ^1H NMR, ^{13}C NMR, and IR spectroscopies, as well as by melting point determination (for solids); the purities of all unknown compounds and most of the known oxazole products were further confirmed by elemental analyses or high-resolution mass spectrometry. Unknown compounds containing fluorine were also characterized by ^{19}F NMR spectroscopy.

Safety Considerations. Potassium persulfate ($\text{K}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_8$) is a strong oxidizing agent and an irritant. It is suggested to handle $\text{K}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_8$ with care by wearing protective gloves and goggles.

Supplementary Tables

Table S1. Optimization of Copper(II) Catalysts in Oxidative Cyclization of Enamide^a

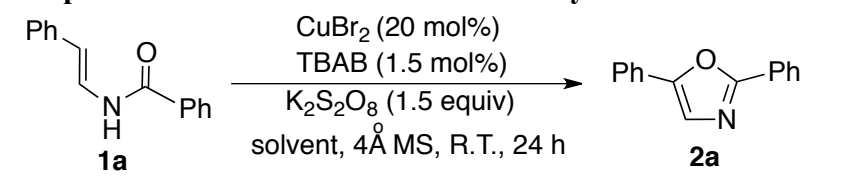


1a **2a**

CuX ₂	conv./% ^b	yield of oxazole/% ^c
CuBr ₂	100	41
CuCl ₂	100	13
CuF ₂	41	0
Cu(OTf) ₂	100	2
Cu(OAc) ₂	14	0
CuCO ₃	5	0
CuSO ₄	5	0

^a Reaction conditions: enamide (0.05 mmol), K₂S₂O₈ (0.075 mmol), CuX₂ (20 mol%), acetonitrile (0.5 mL), r.t., 24 h, argon atmosphere. ^b Determined by GC. ^c GC yield using *n*-dodecane as an internal standard.

Table S2. Optimization of Solvent in Oxidative Cyclization of Enamide^a



1a **2a**

solvent	conv./% ^b	yield of oxazole/% ^c
MeCN	100	58
DMA	100	27
DMF	100	36
DMSO	100	39
THF	100	22
^t BuOH	100	0
toluene	100	4
MeCN / toluene (4:1)	100	43
MeCN / dioxane (4:1)	100	42
MeCN / ethyl acetate (4:1)	100	51
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MeCN / DMSO (4:1)	100	33

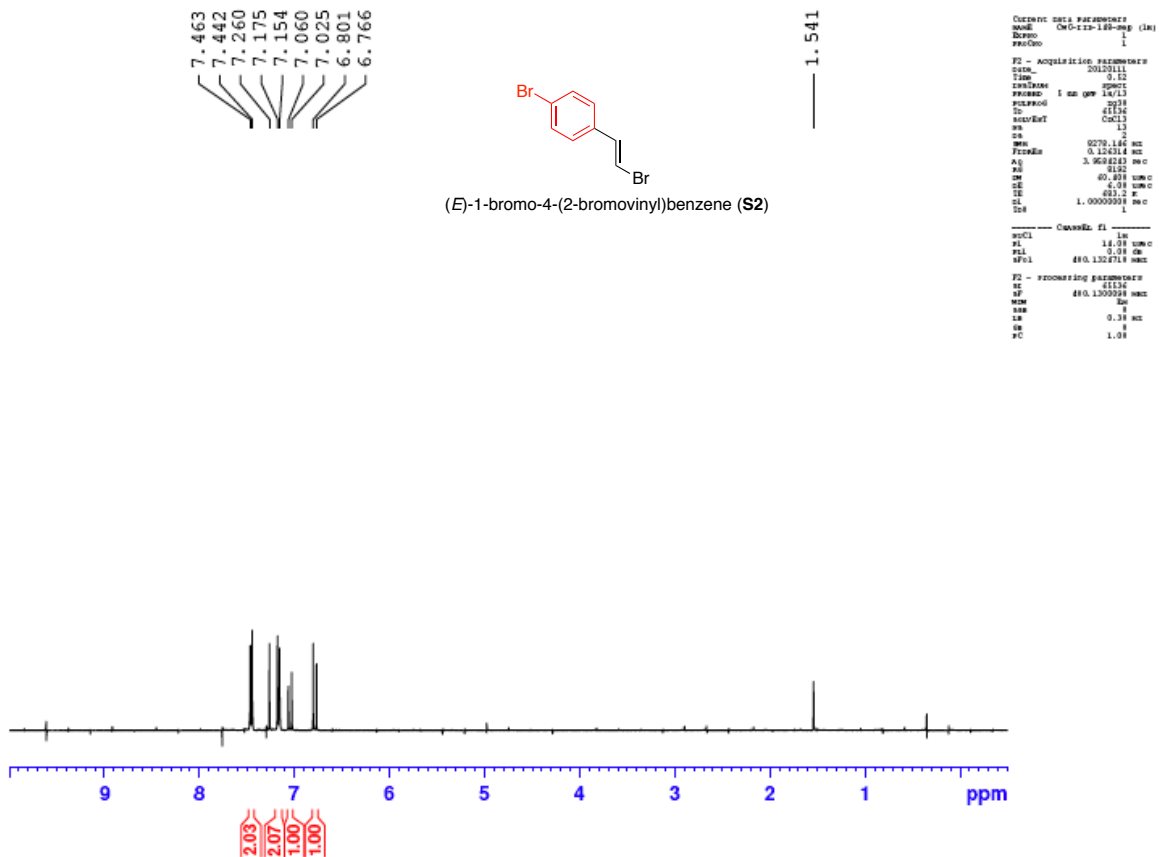
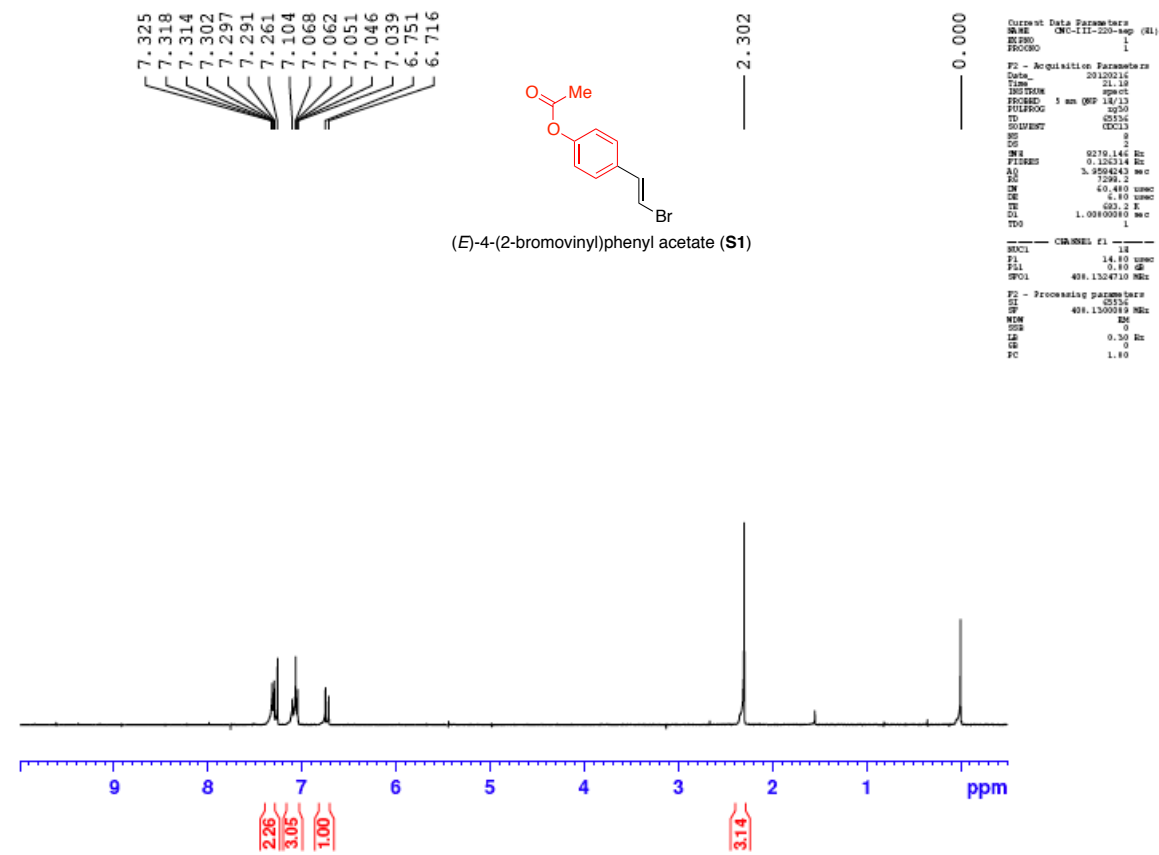
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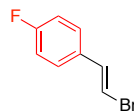
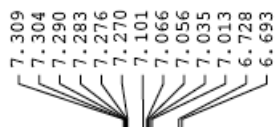
List of NMR Spectra

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(5-(2-bromovinyl)-1 <i>H</i> -indol-1-yl)(phenyl)methanone (S7)	S10
(<i>E</i>)- <i>N</i> -styrylbenzamide (1a)	S11
(<i>E</i>)-4-methoxy- <i>N</i> -styrylbenzamide (1b)	S12
(<i>E</i>)-4-methyl- <i>N</i> -styrylbenzamide (1c)	S13
(<i>E</i>)-4-chloro- <i>N</i> -styrylbenzamide (1d)	S14
(<i>E</i>)-4-fluoro- <i>N</i> -styrylbenzamide (1e)	S15
(<i>E</i>)- <i>N</i> -styryl-4-(trifluoromethyl)benzamide (1f)	S17
(<i>E</i>)-4-nitro- <i>N</i> -styrylbenzamide (1g)	S19
(<i>E</i>)-3-nitro- <i>N</i> -styrylbenzamide (1h)	S20
(<i>E</i>)- <i>N</i> -(4-methoxystyryl)benzamide (1i)	S21
(<i>E</i>)-4-(2-benzamidovinyl)phenyl acetate (1j)	S22
(<i>E</i>)- <i>N</i> -(4-methylstyryl)benzamide (1k)	S23
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(<i>E</i>)-4-(<i>tert</i> -butyl)- <i>N</i> -(4-fluorostyryl)benzamide (1n)	S26
(<i>E</i>)- <i>N</i> -(3,4-difluorostyryl)-3,4,5-trimethoxybenzamide (1o)	S28
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2-(furan-2-yl)-5-phenyloxazole (4j)	S74
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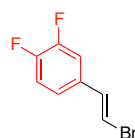
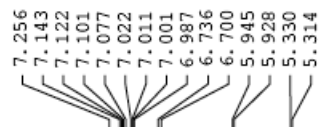
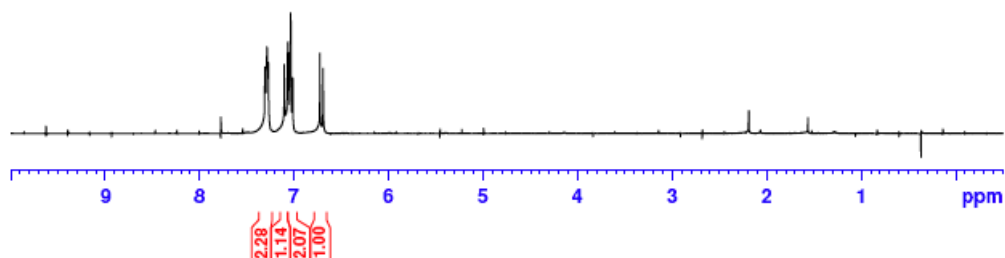




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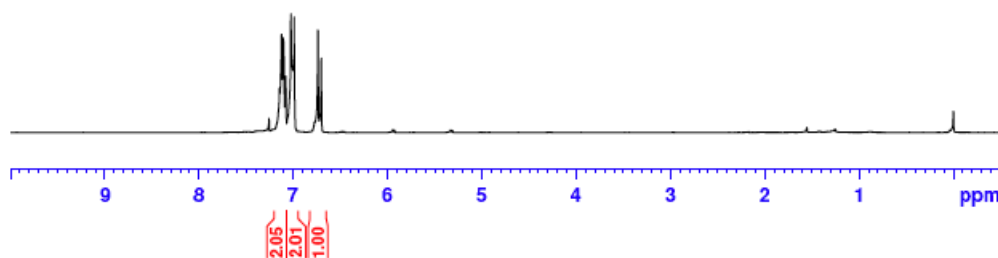
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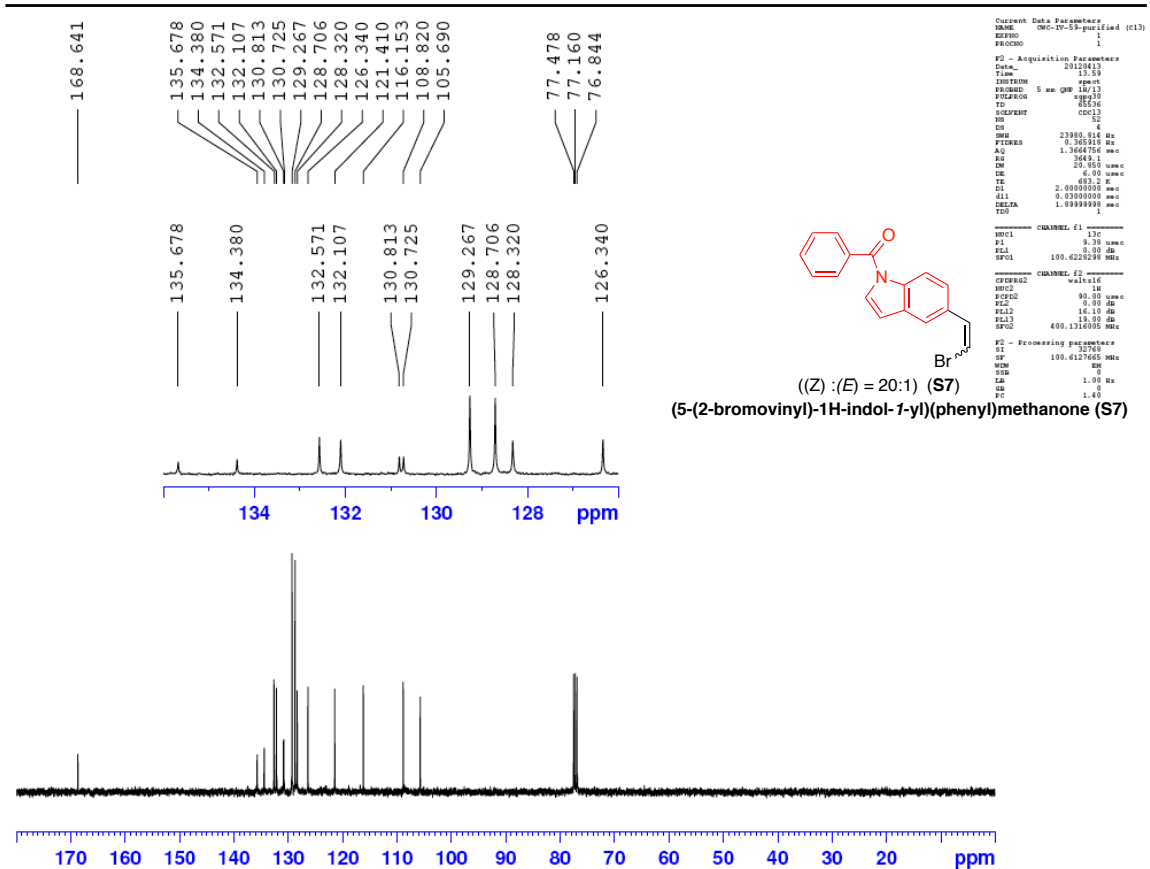
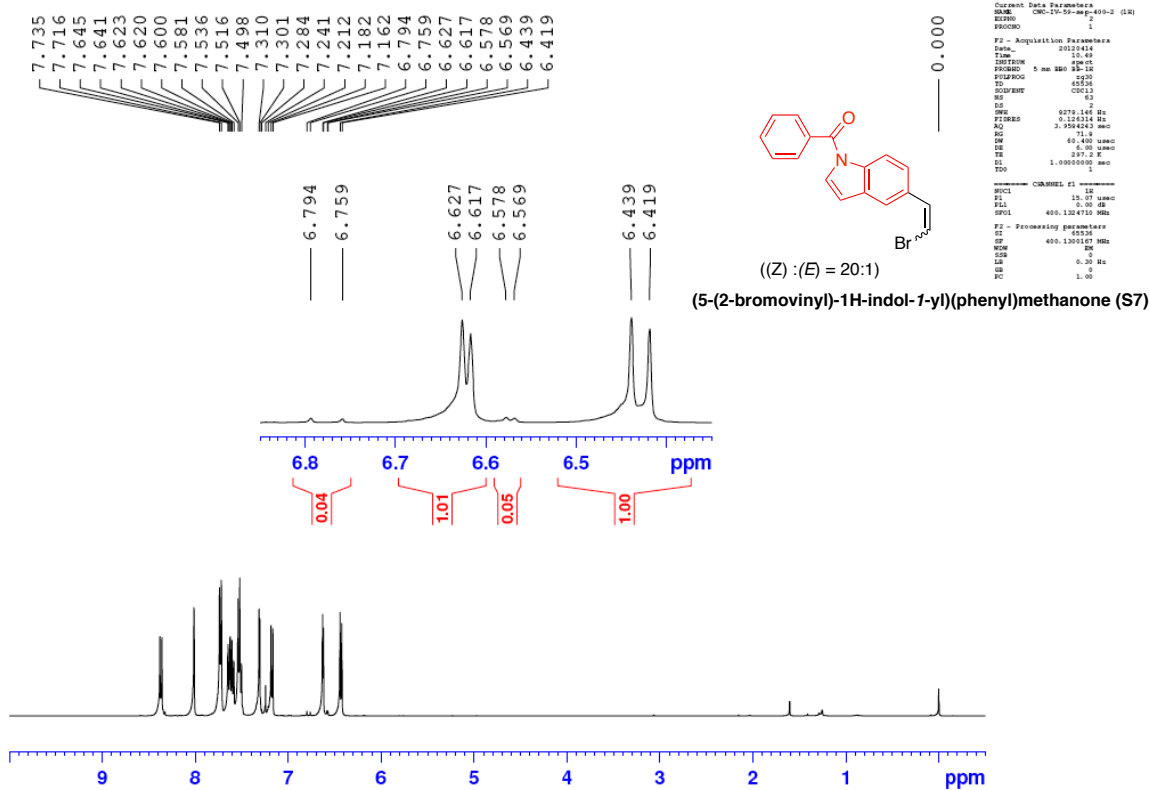


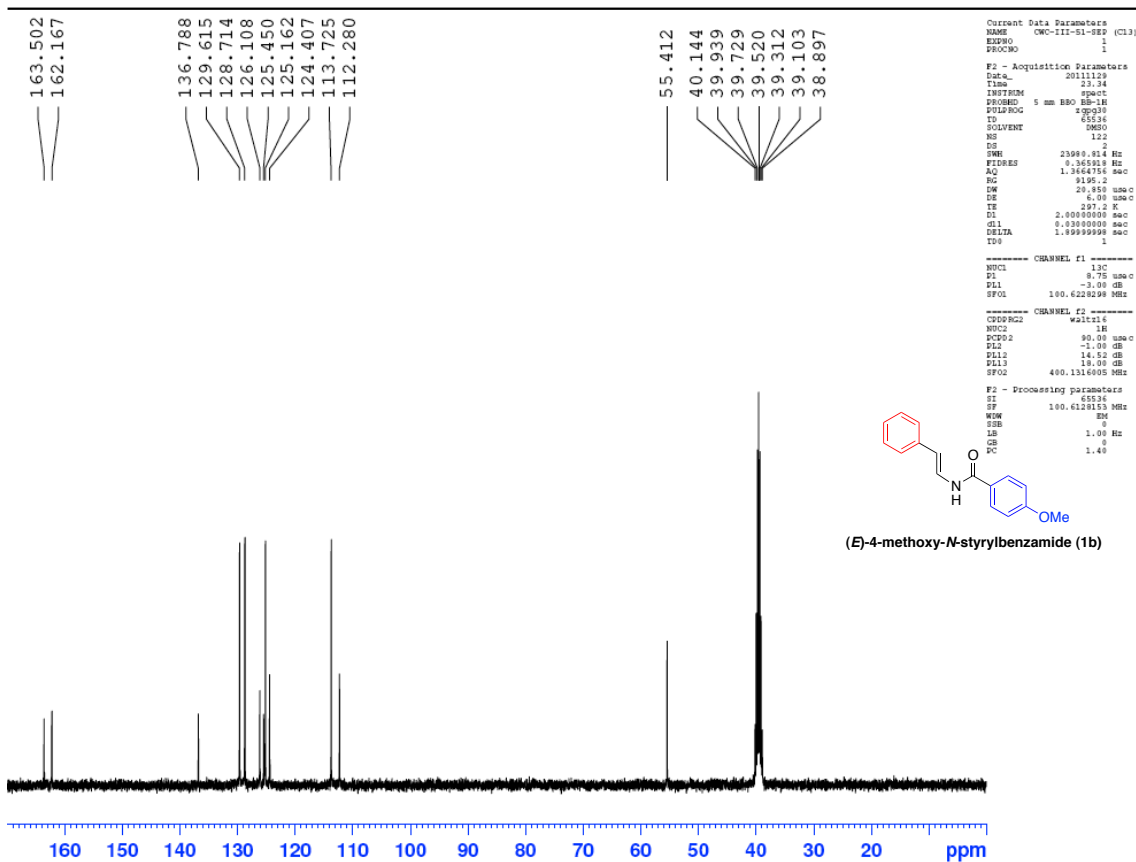
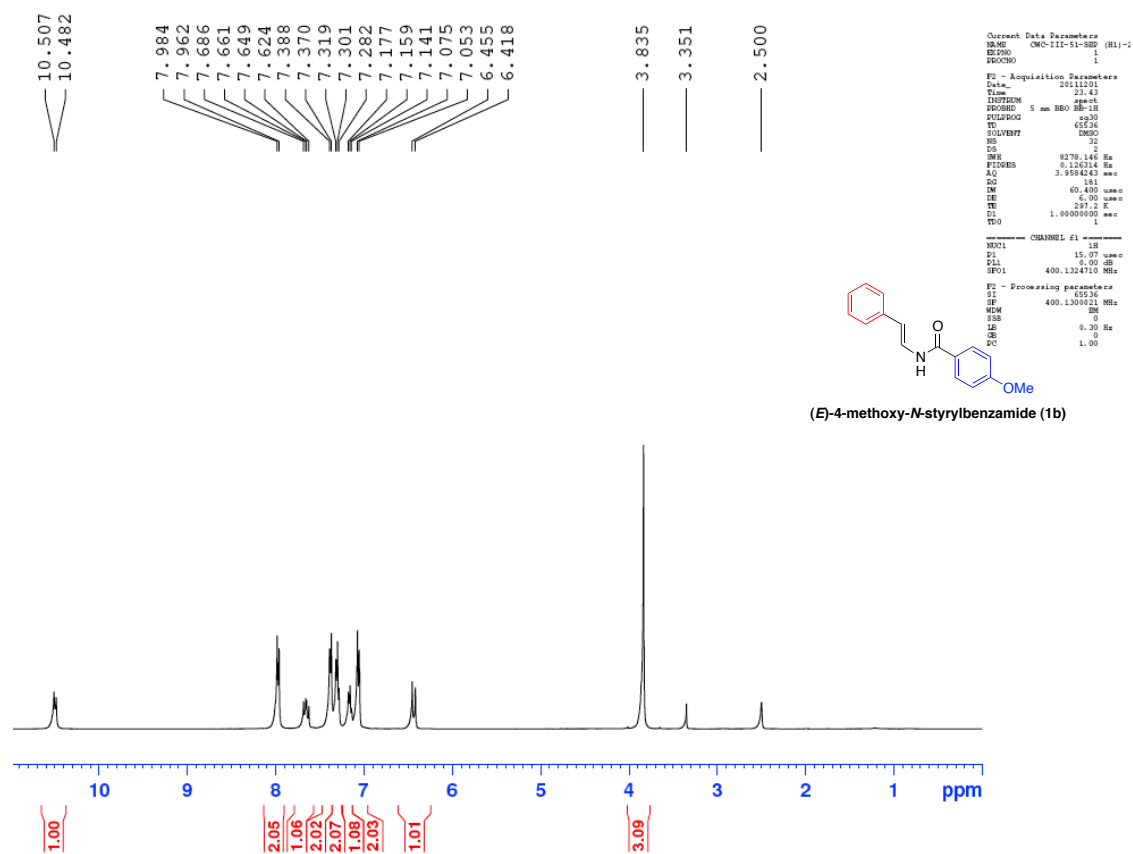
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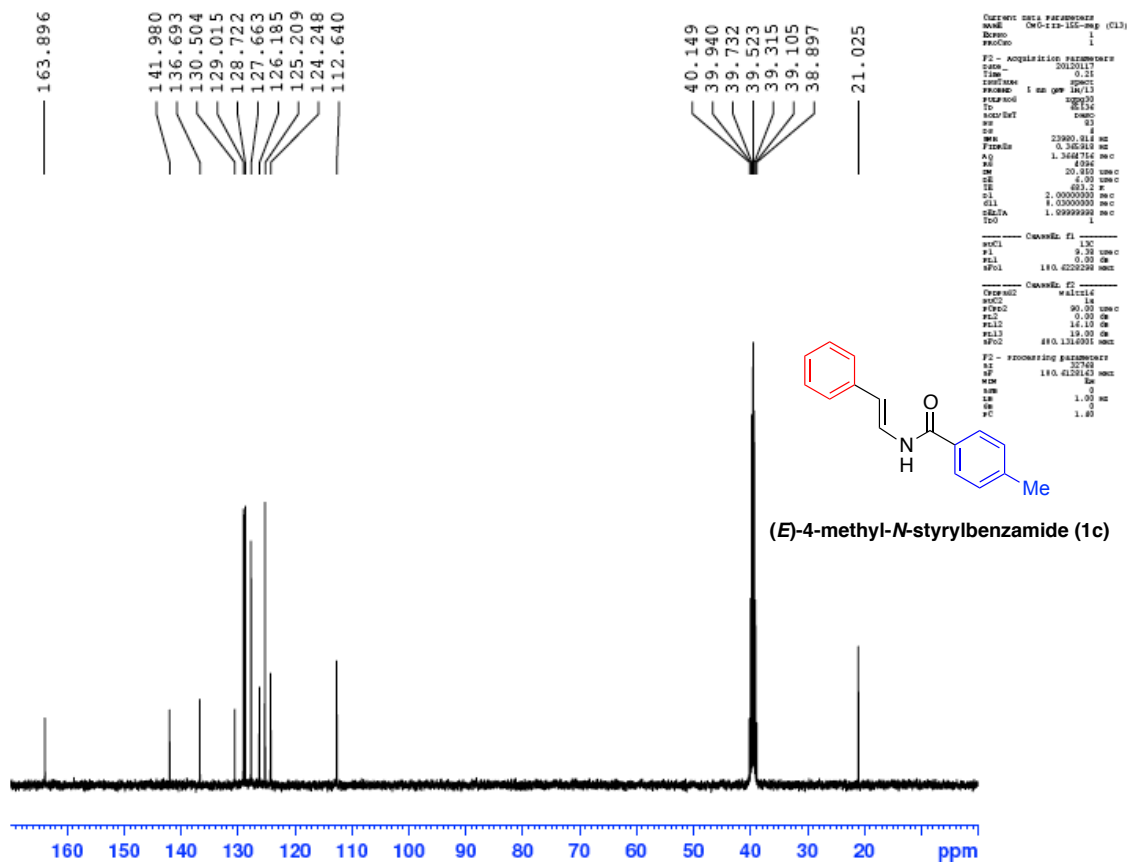
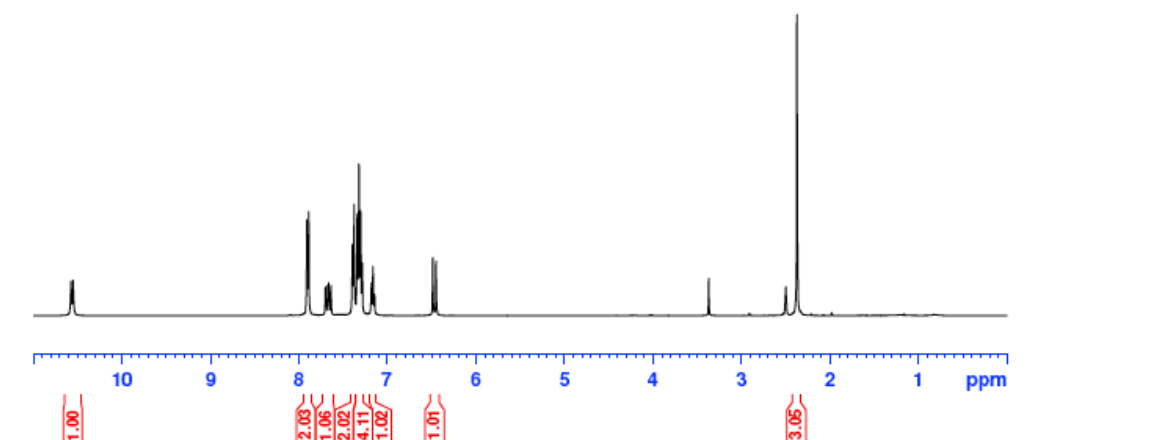
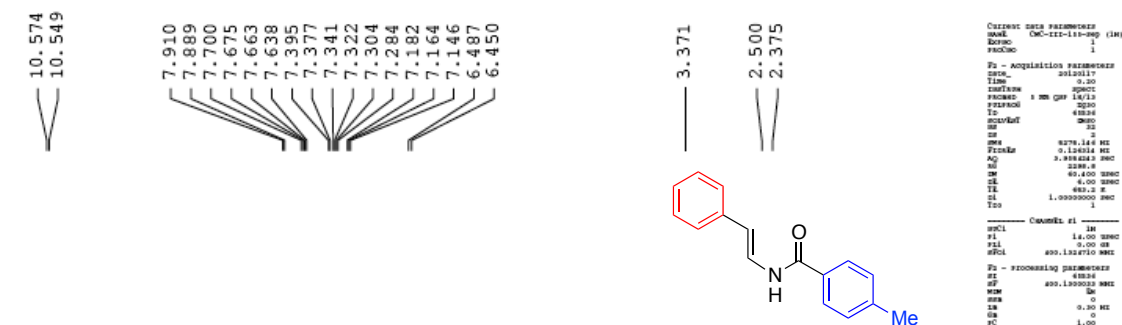
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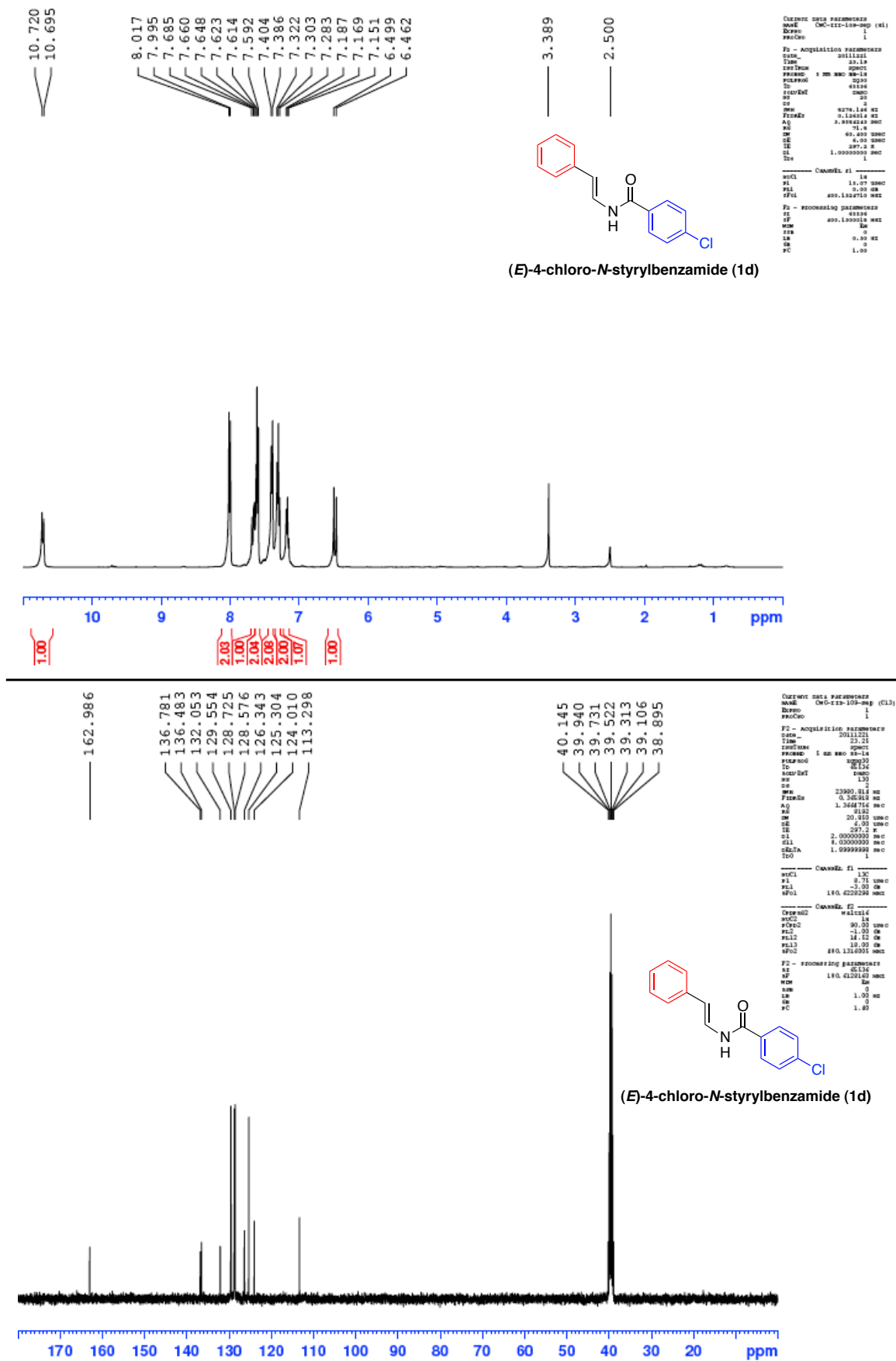
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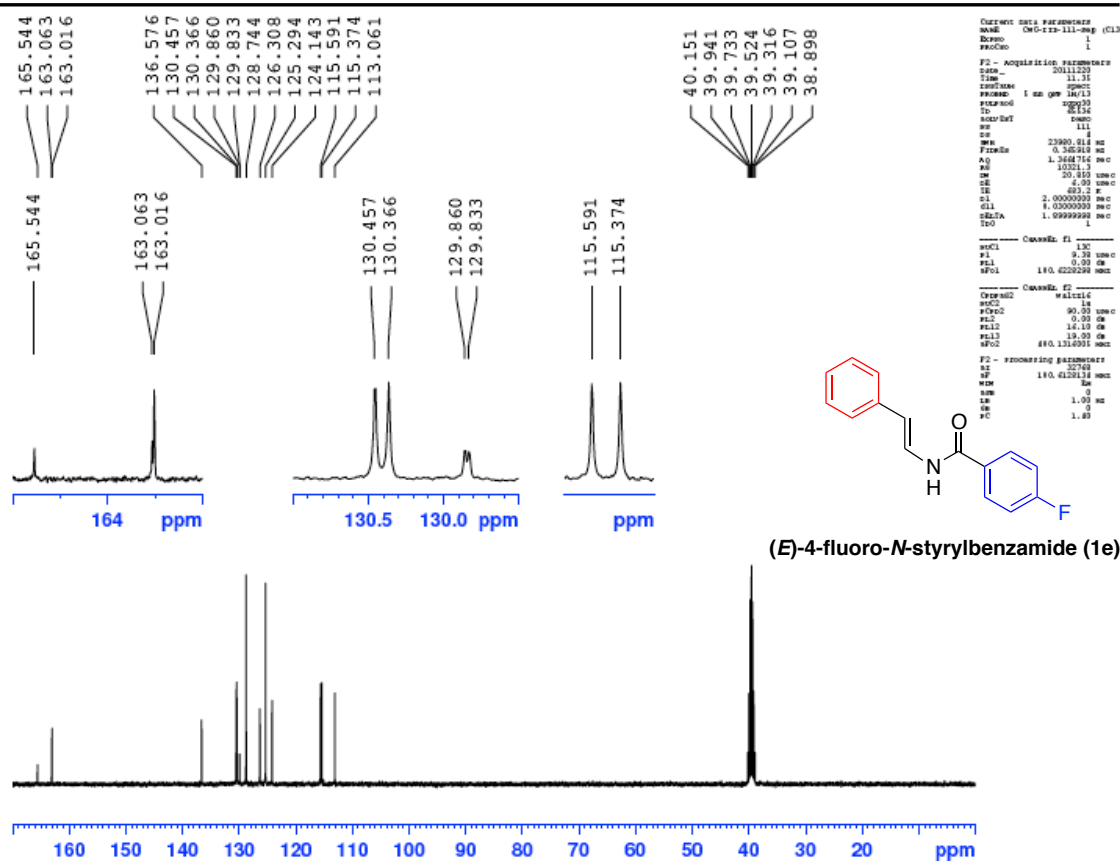
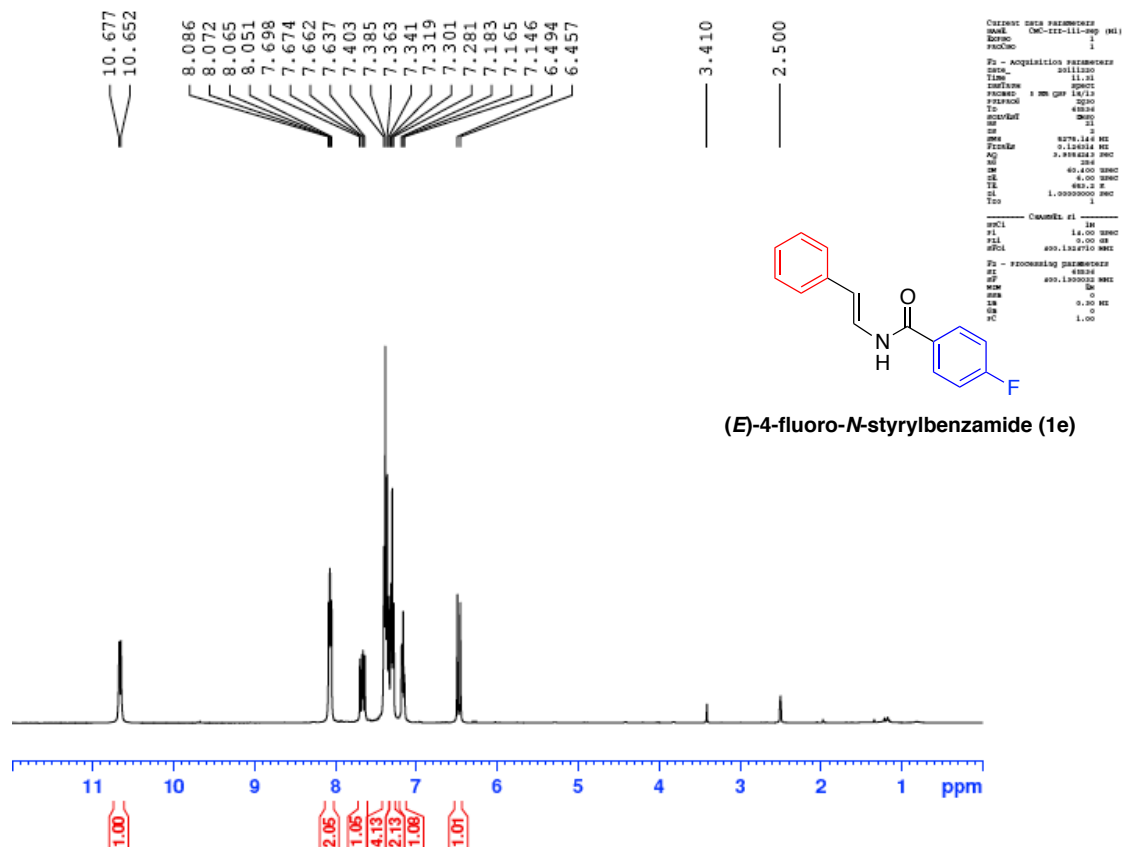


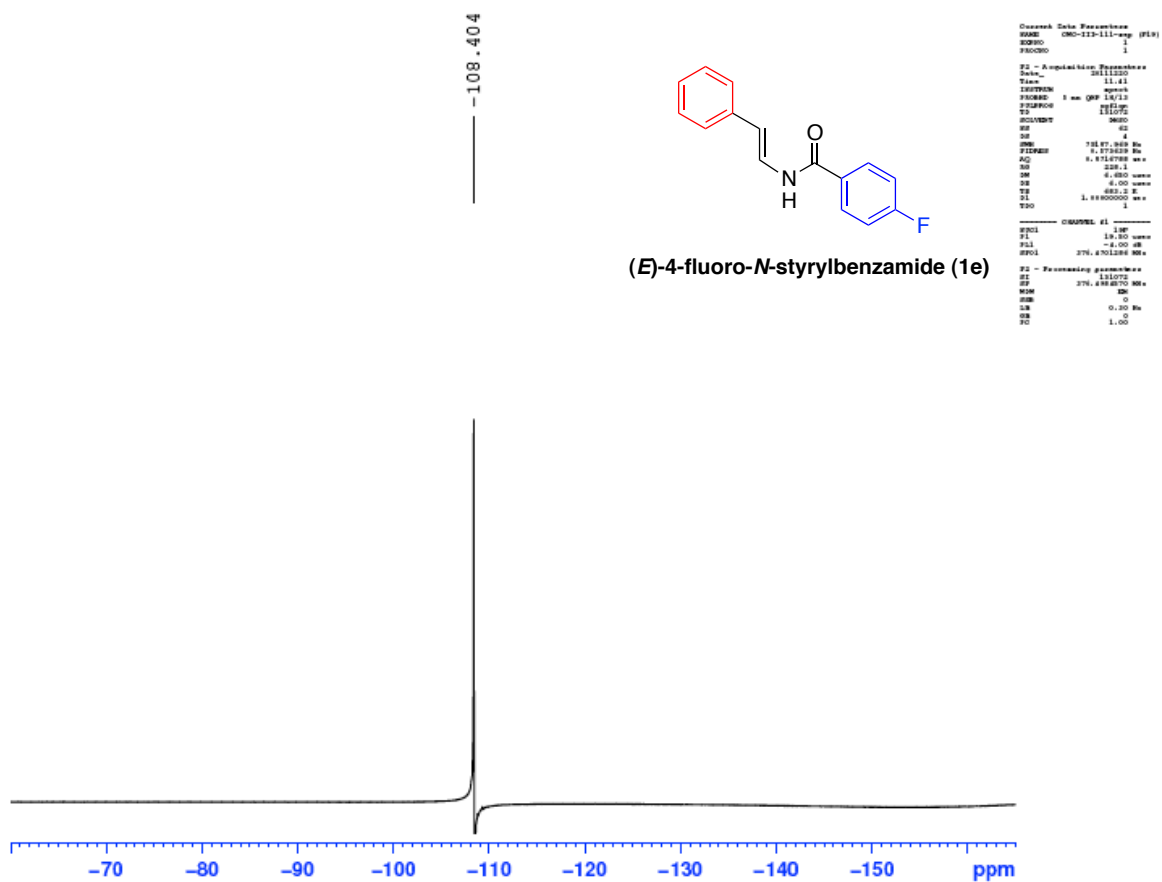


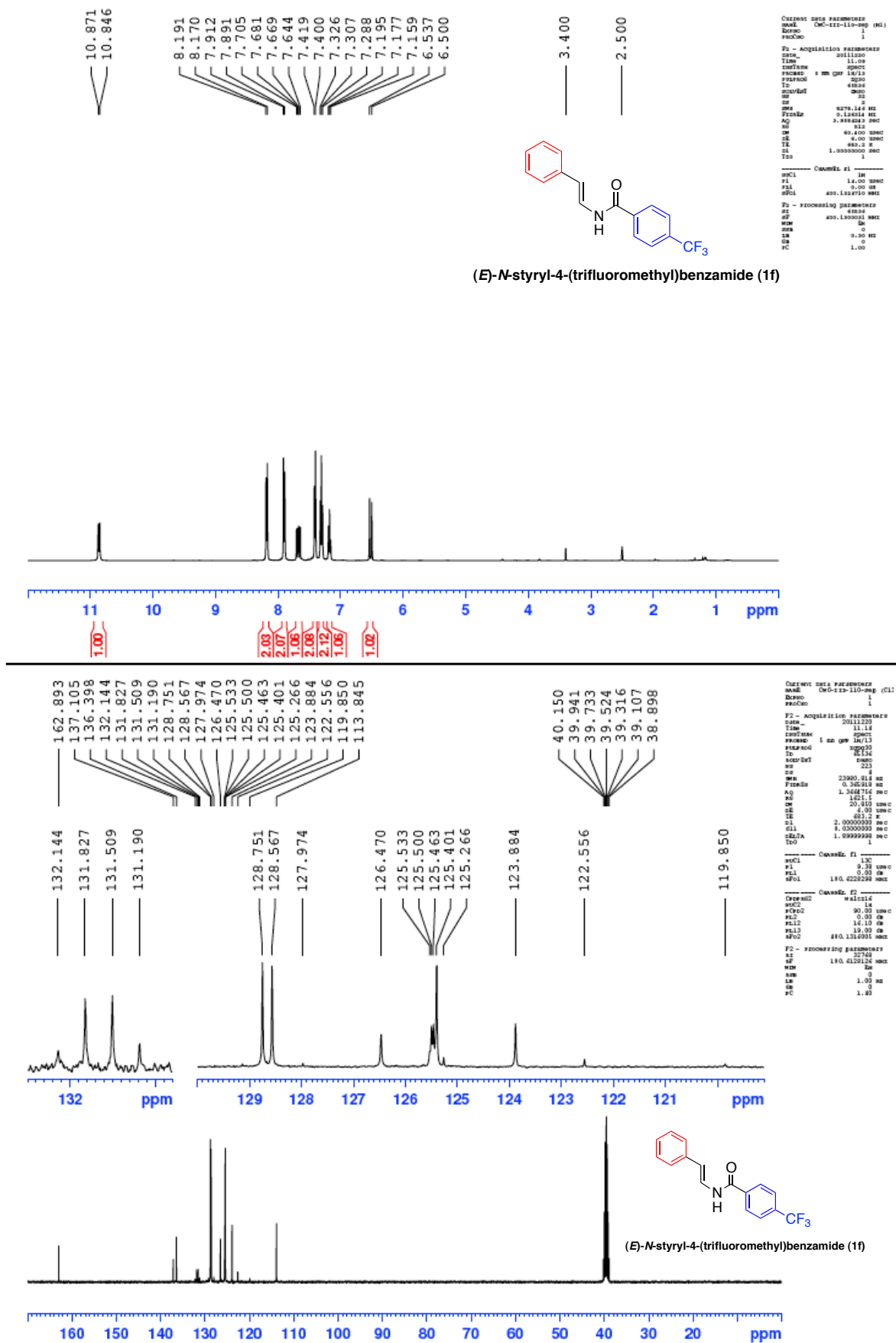


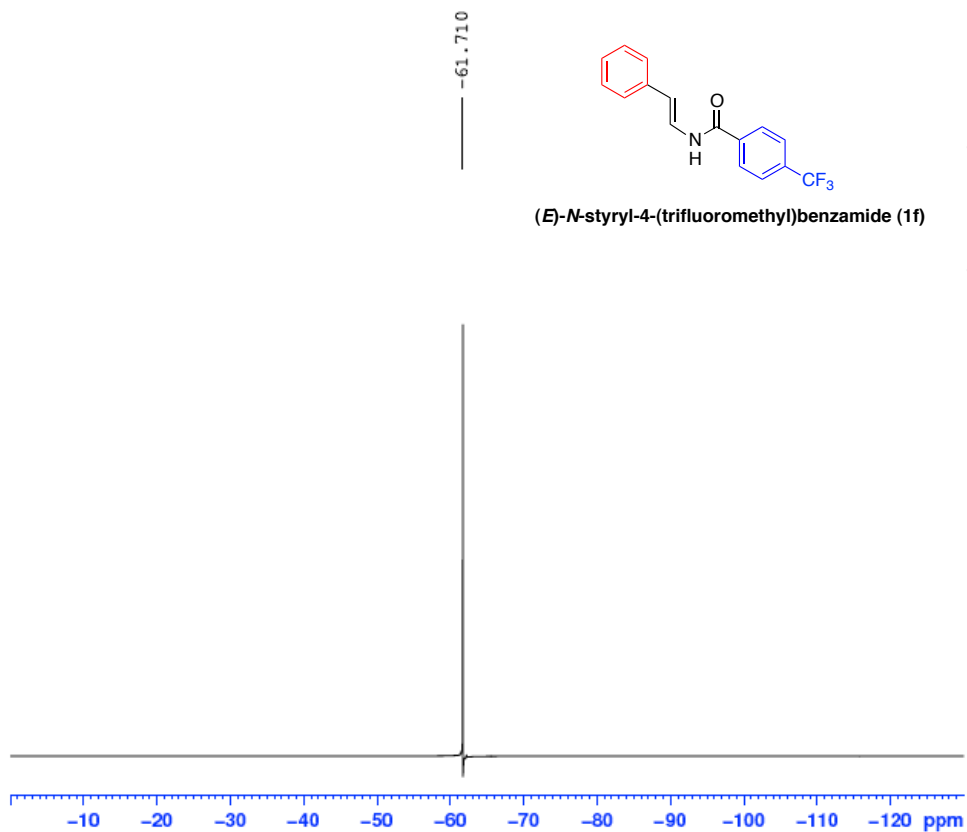








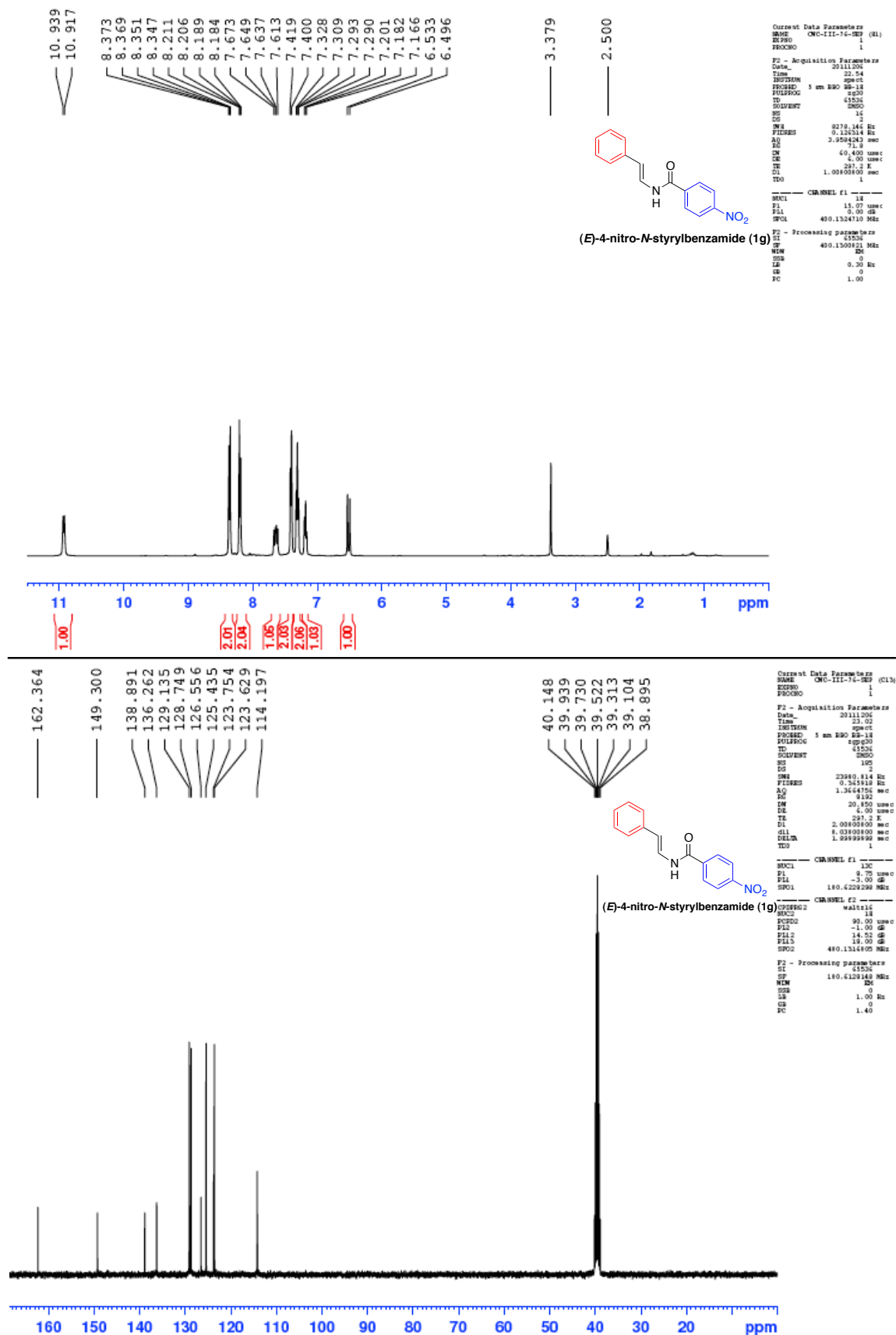


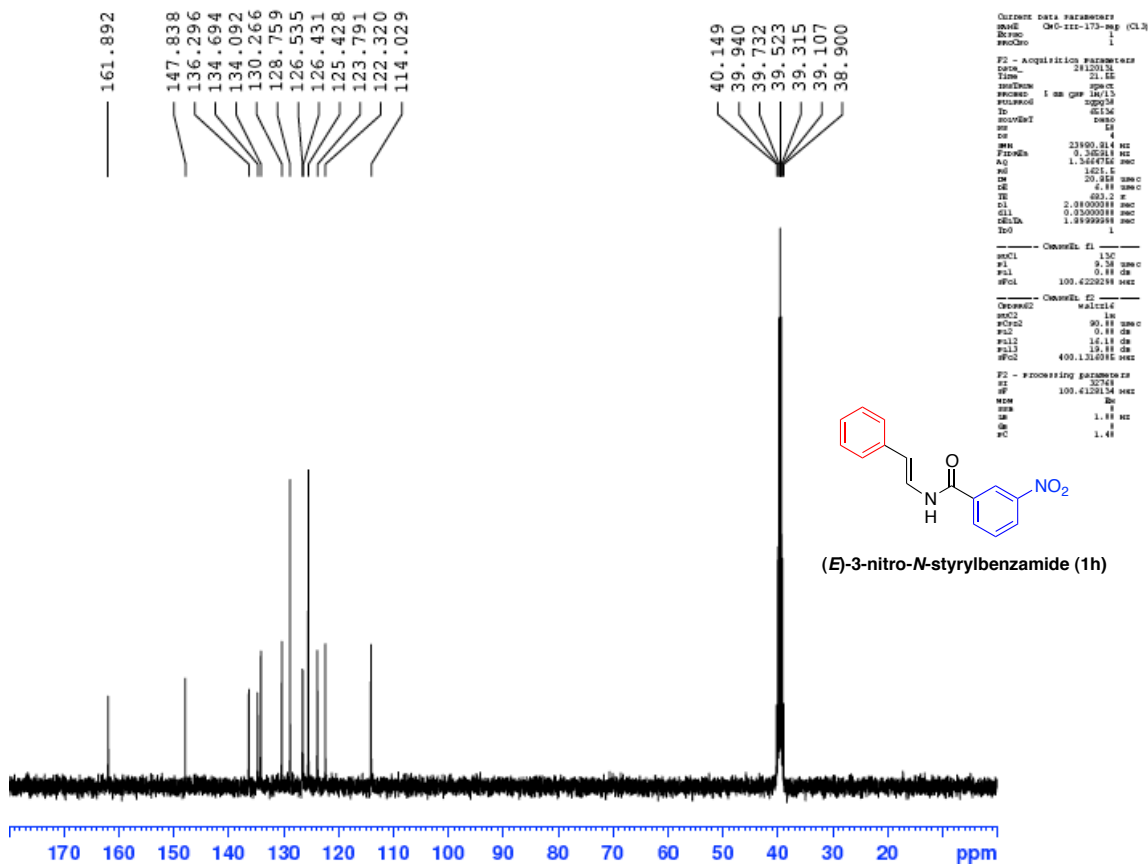
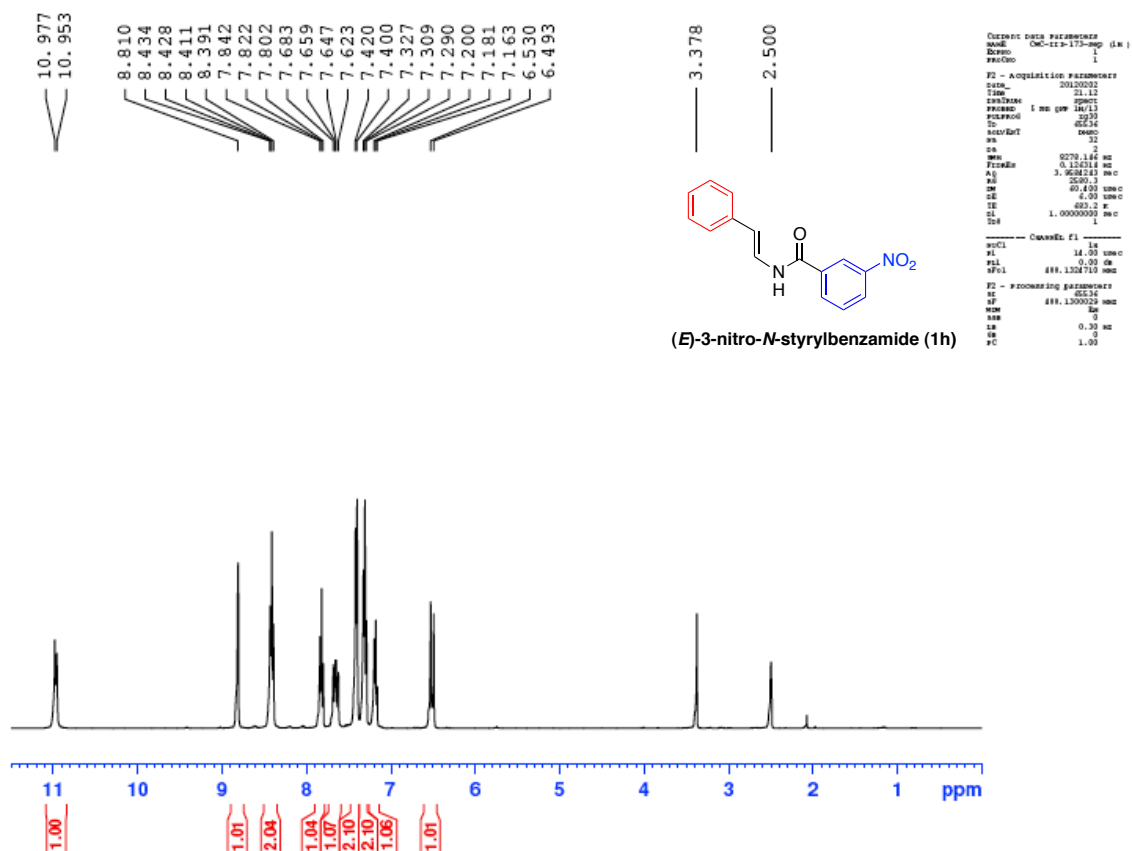


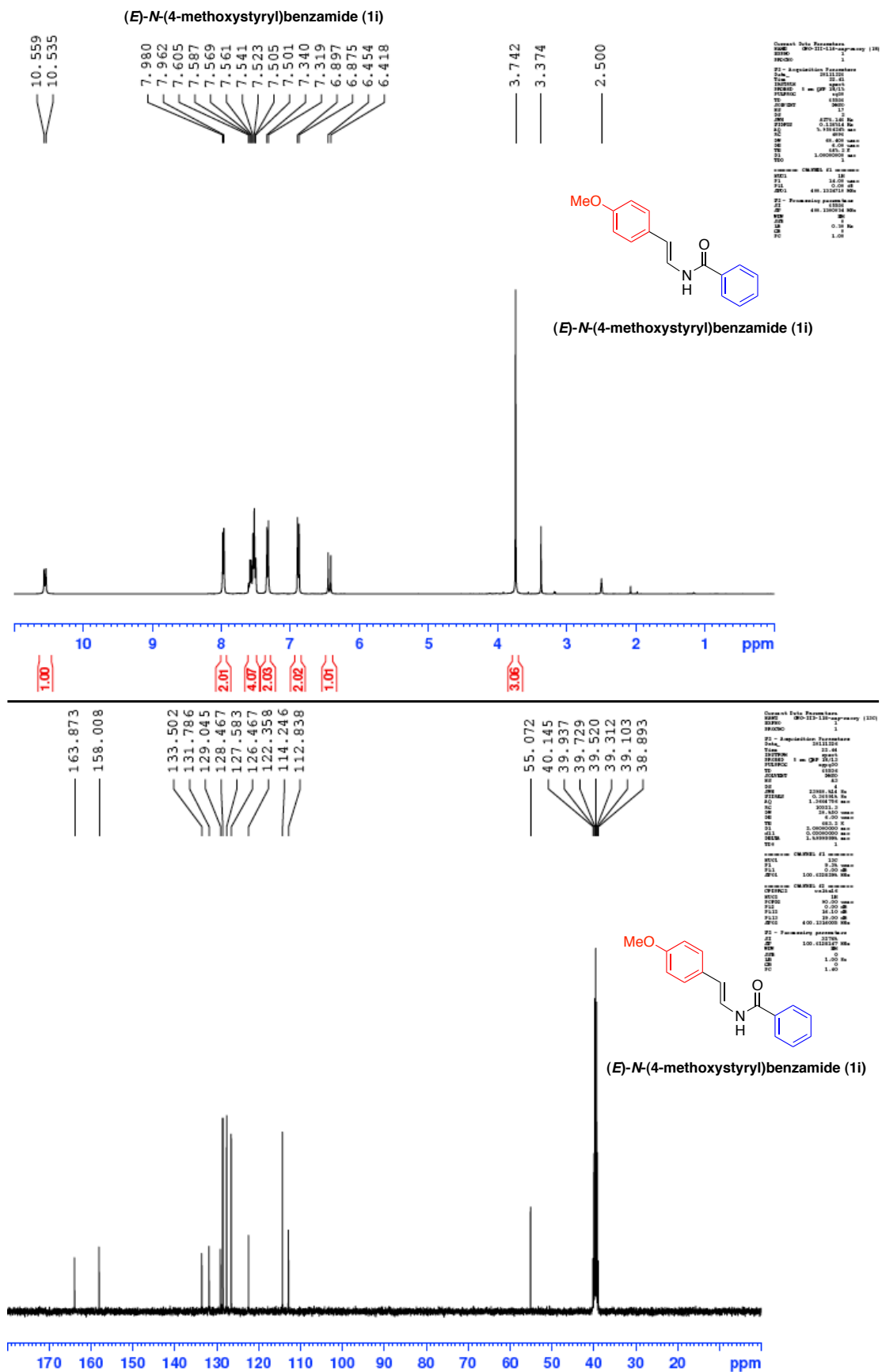
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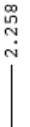
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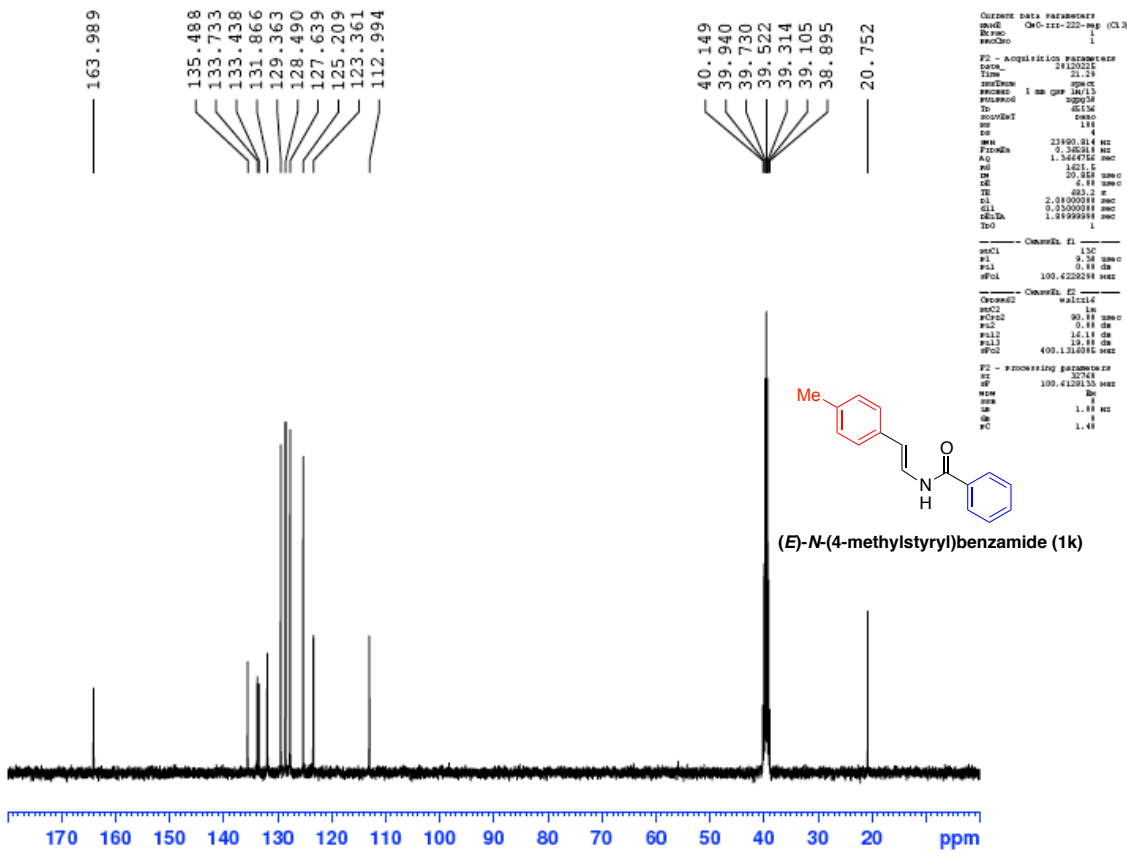
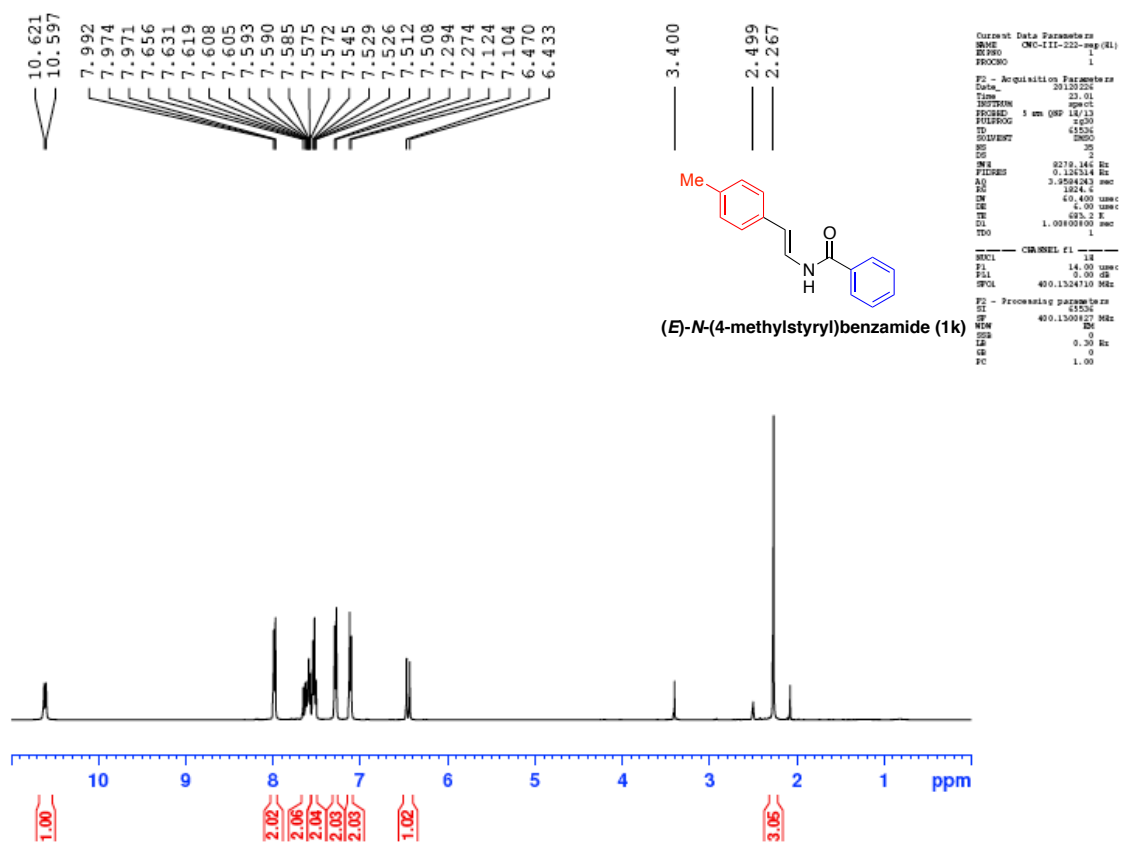
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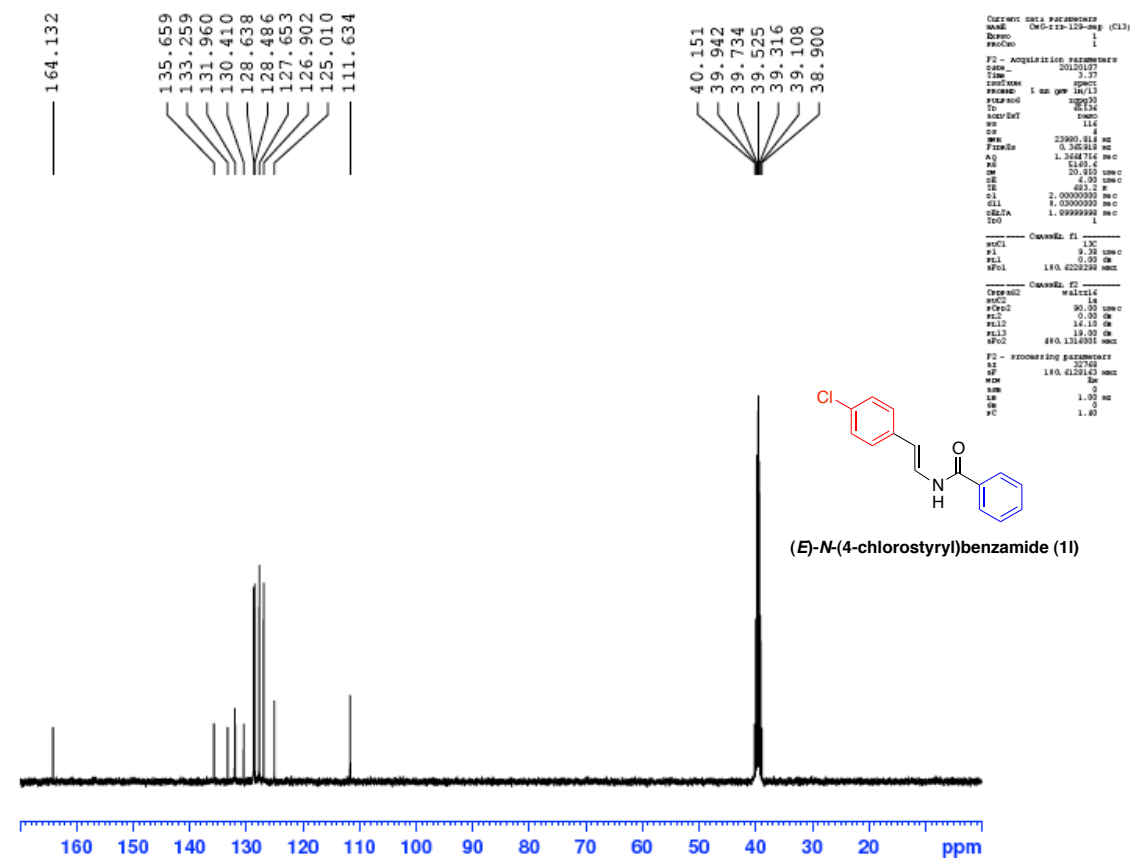
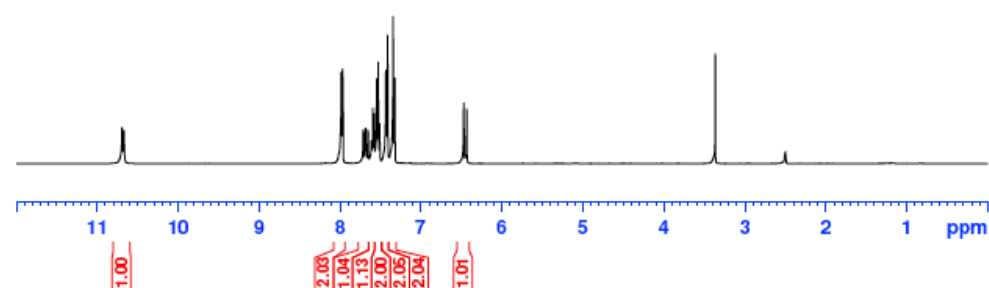
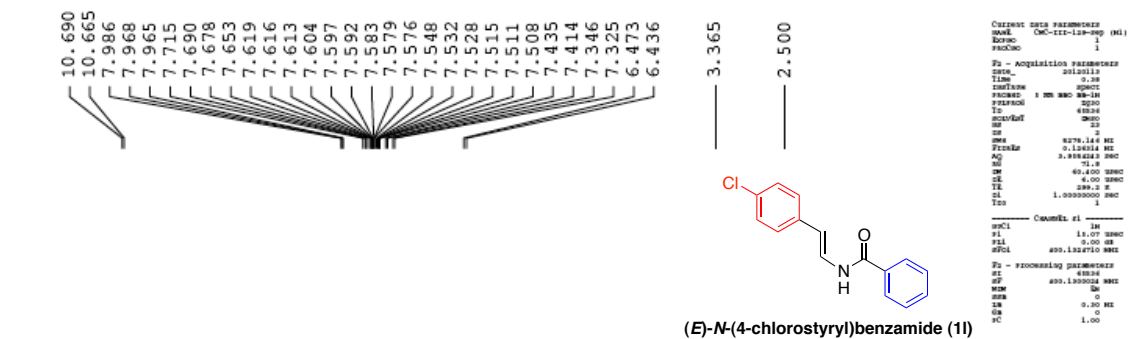


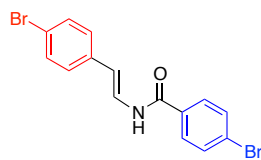
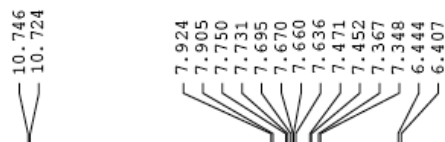






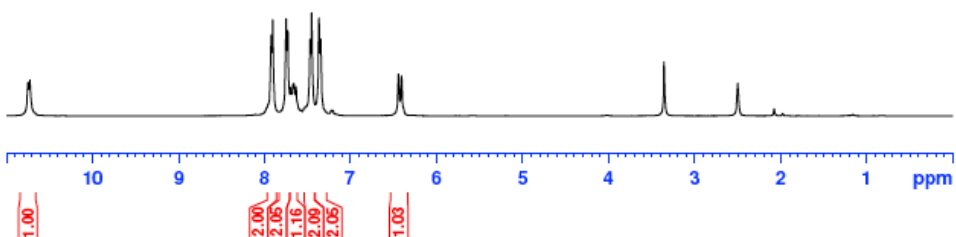




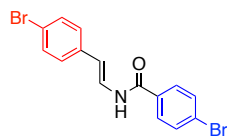


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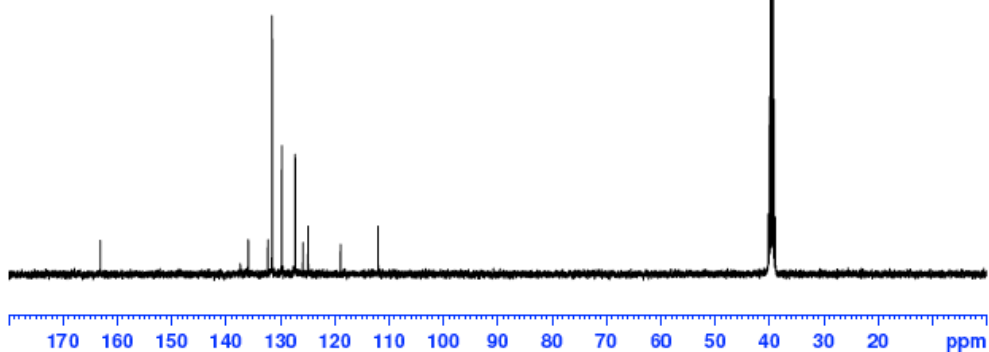
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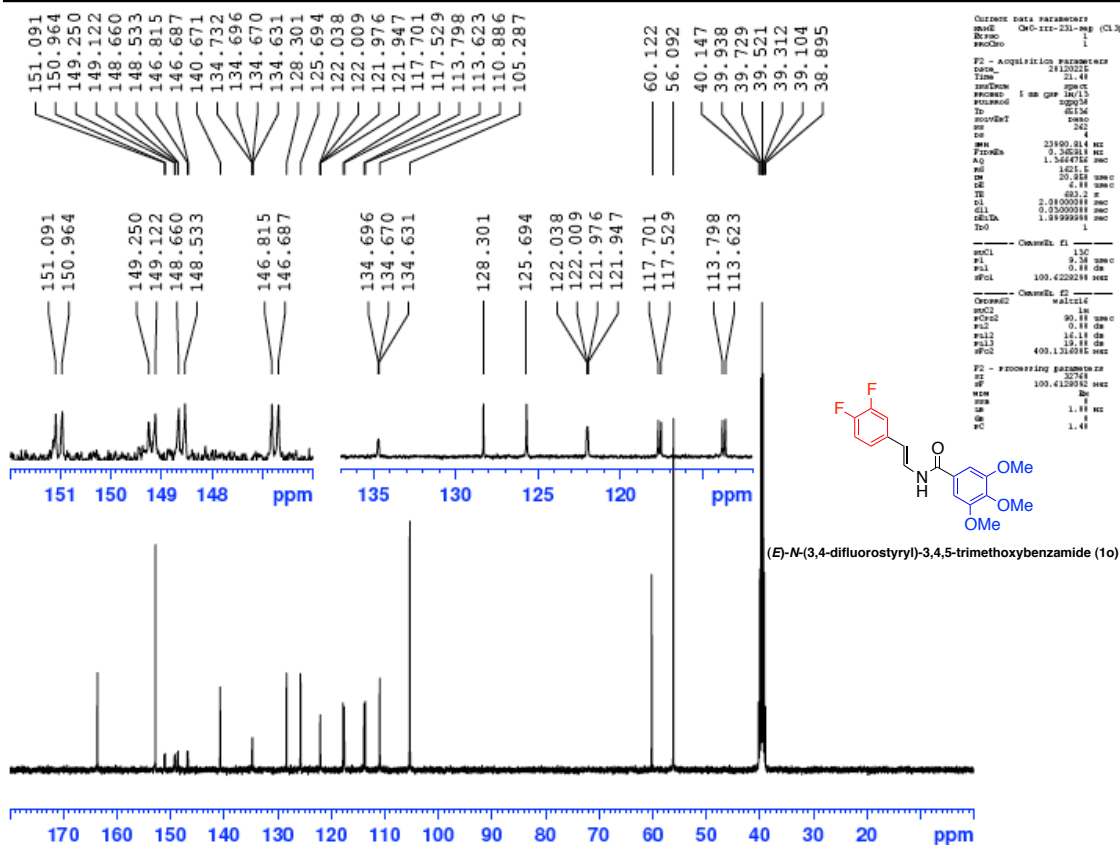
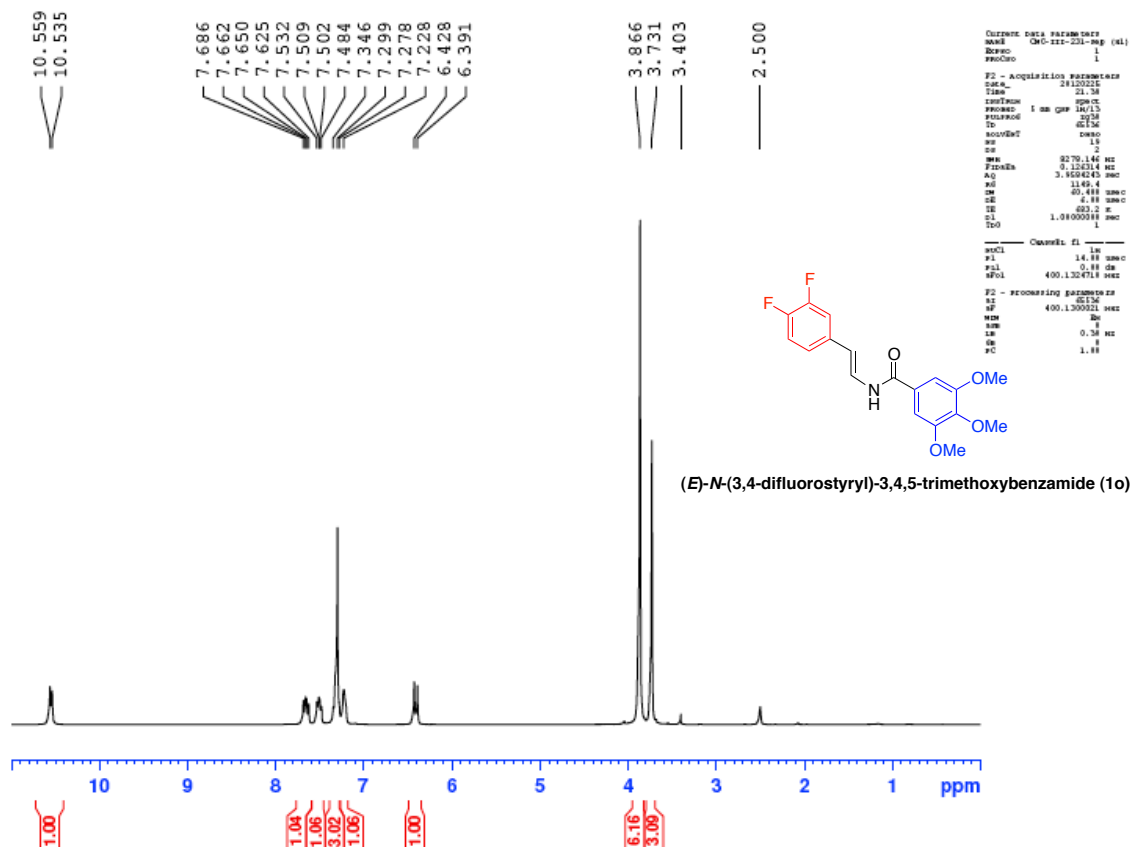
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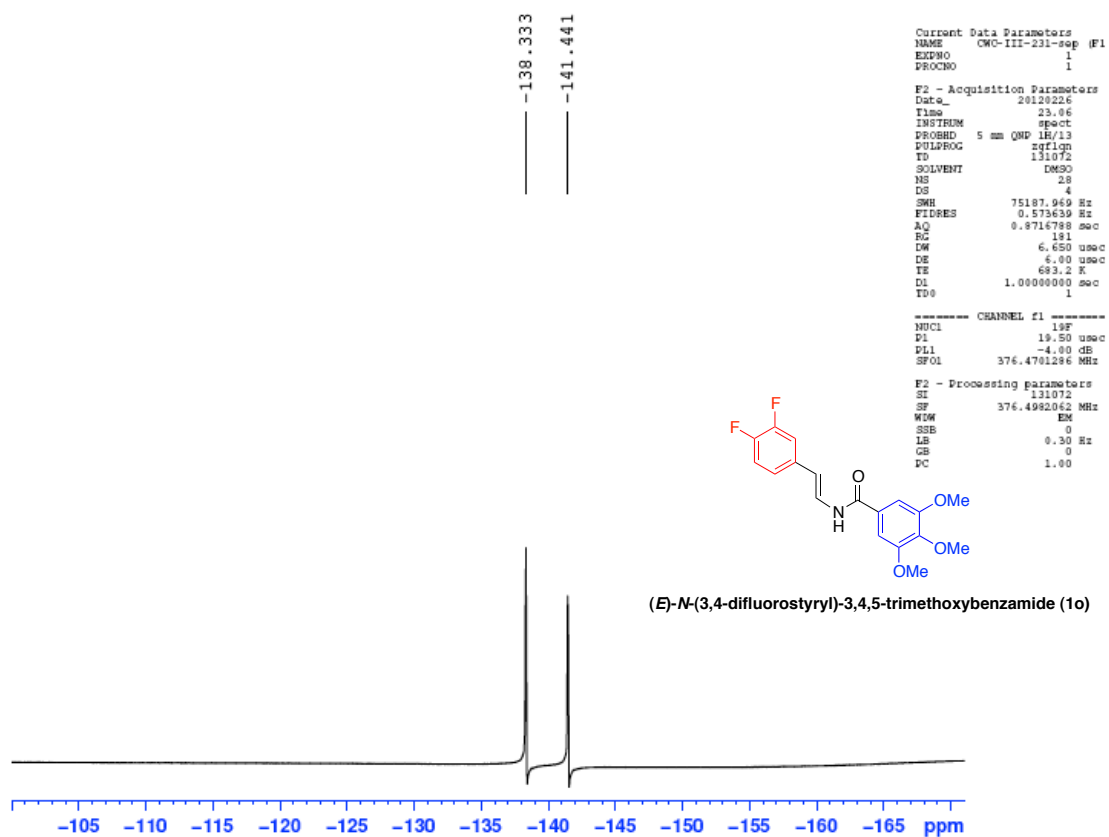


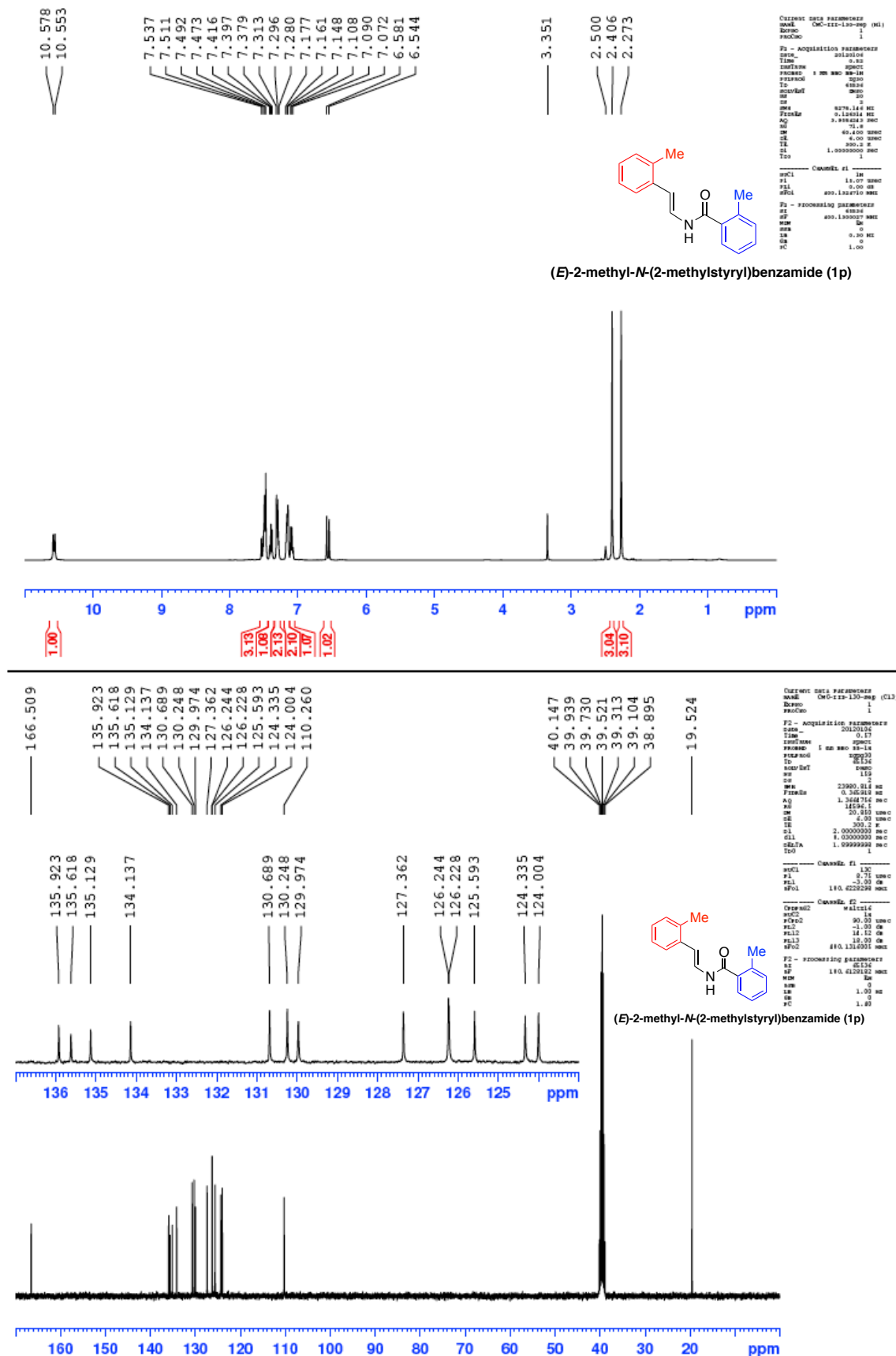
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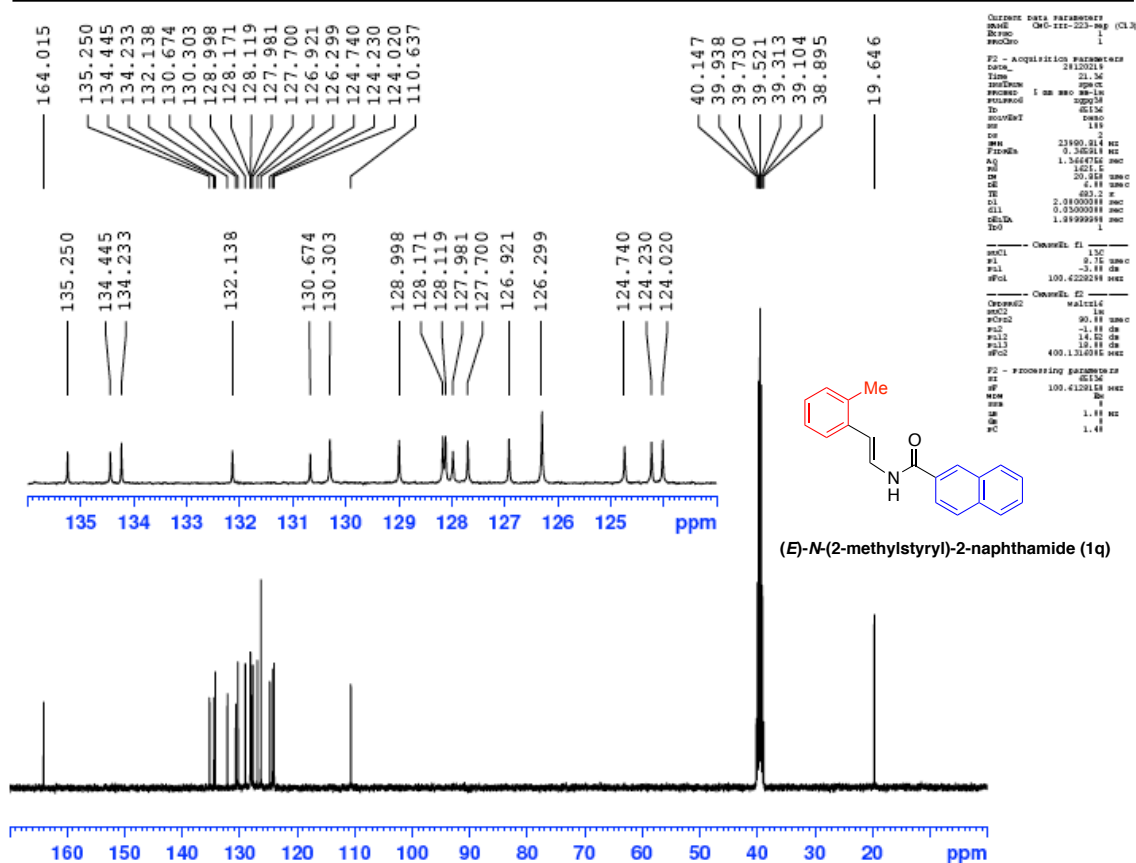
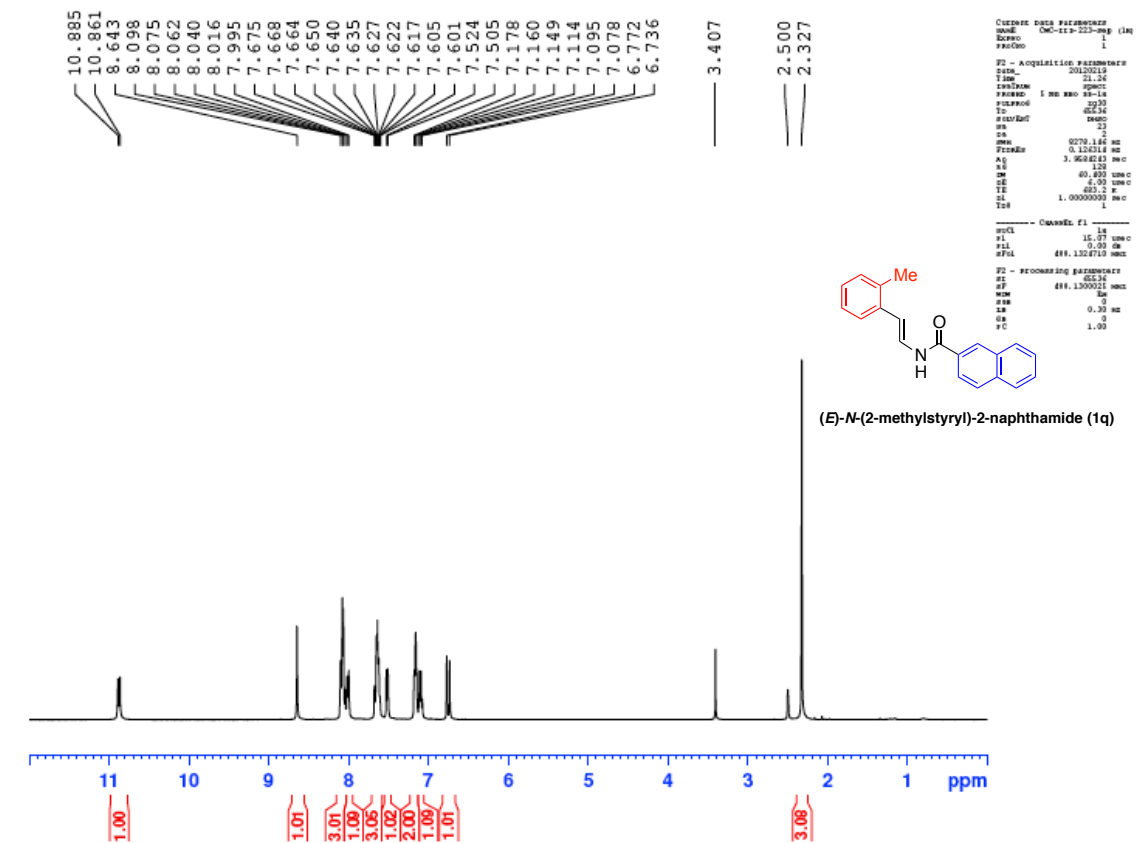


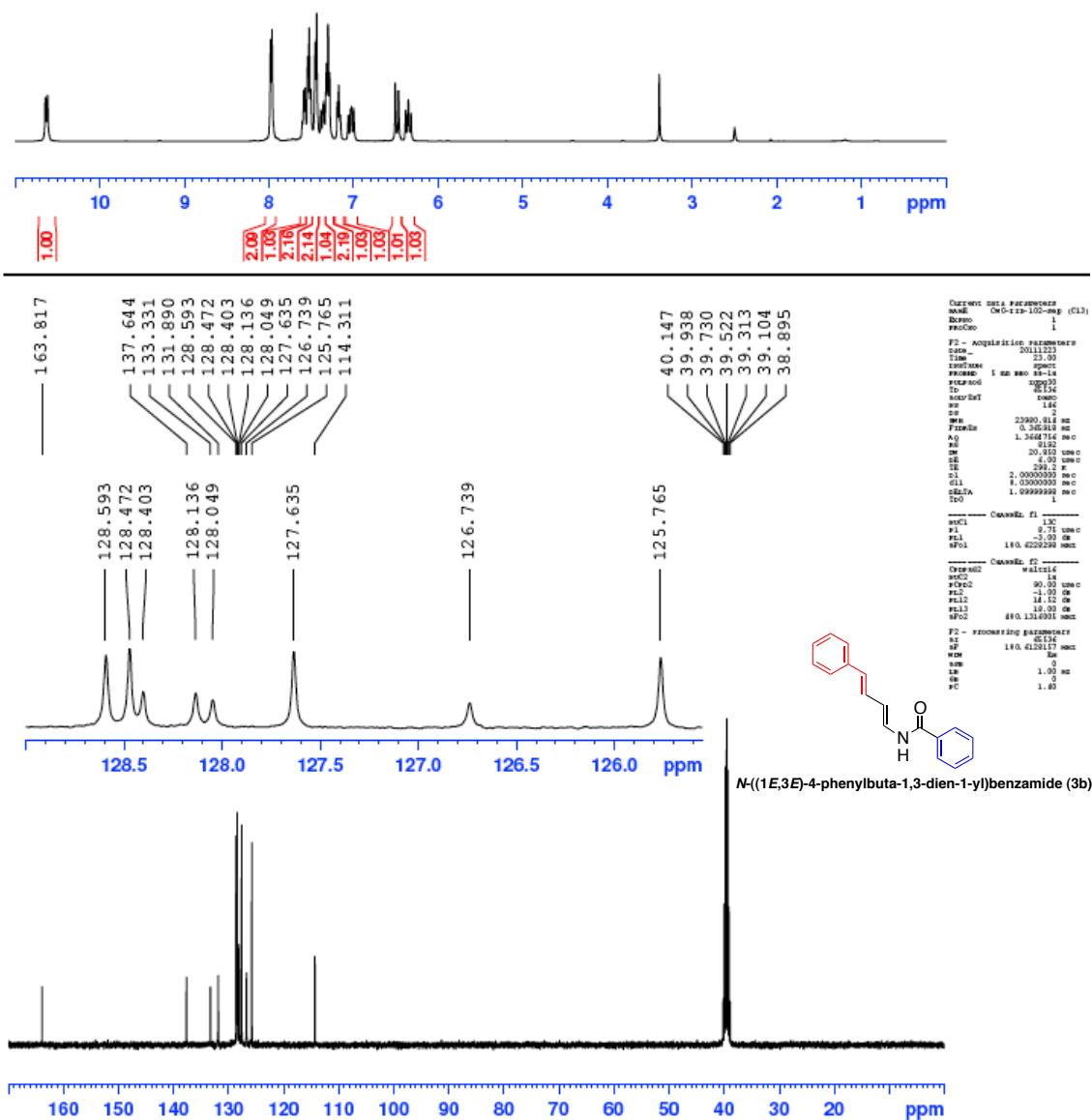
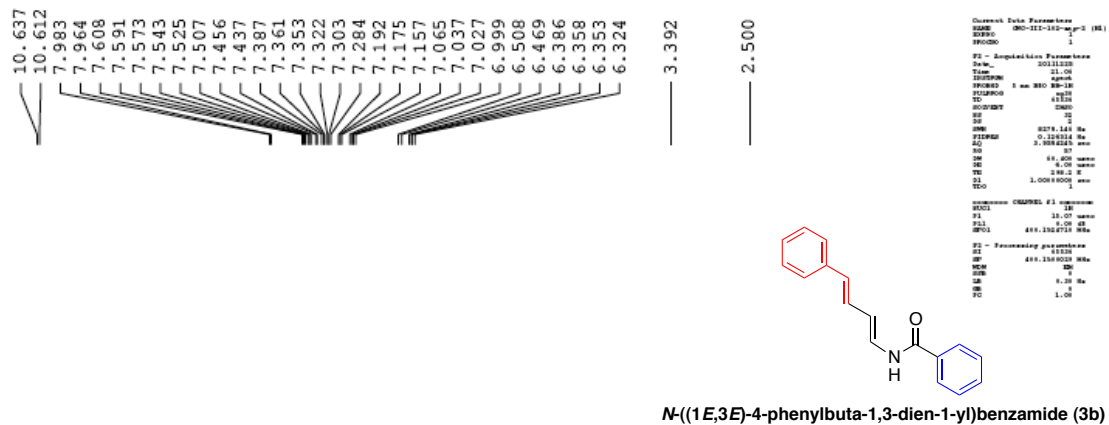


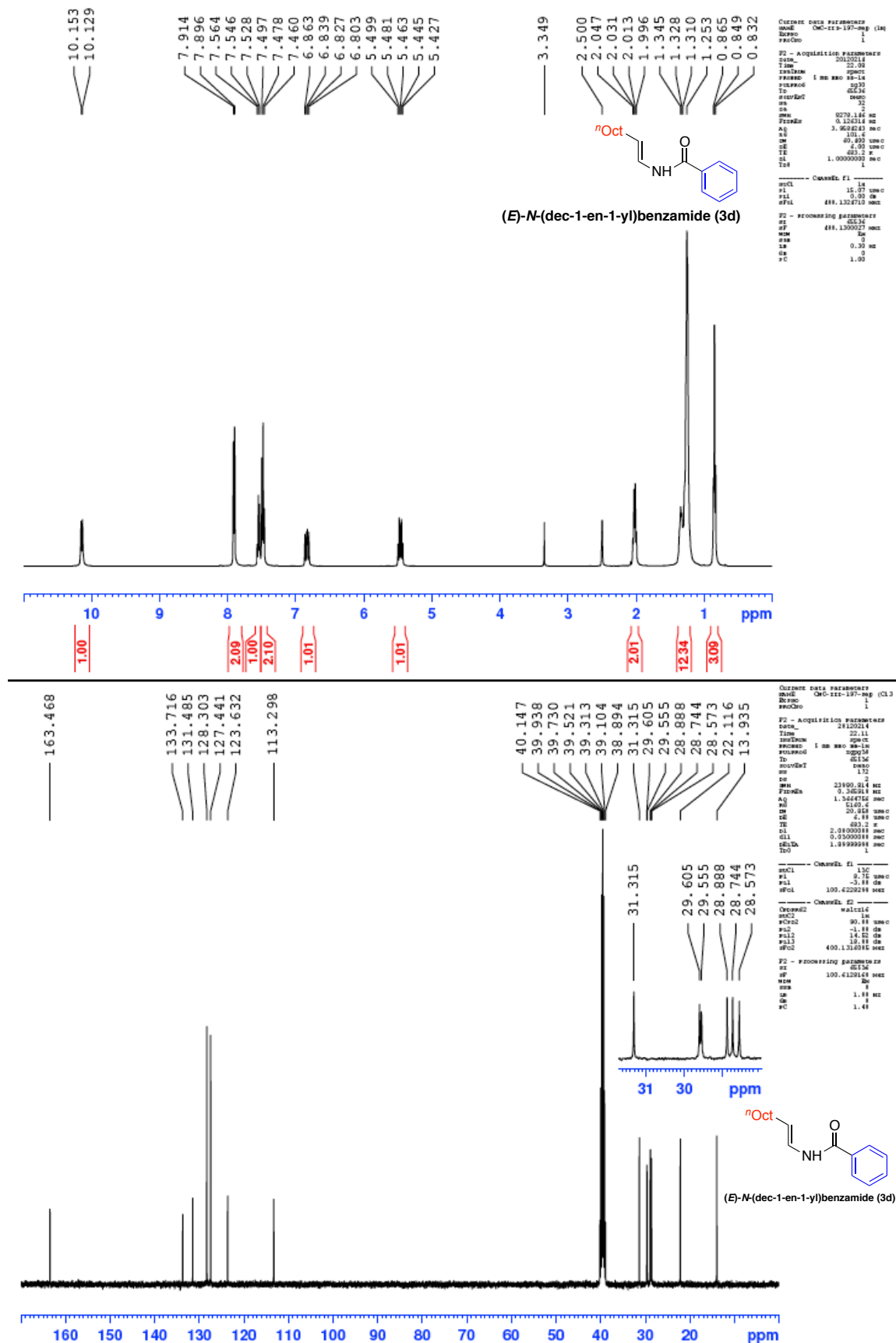


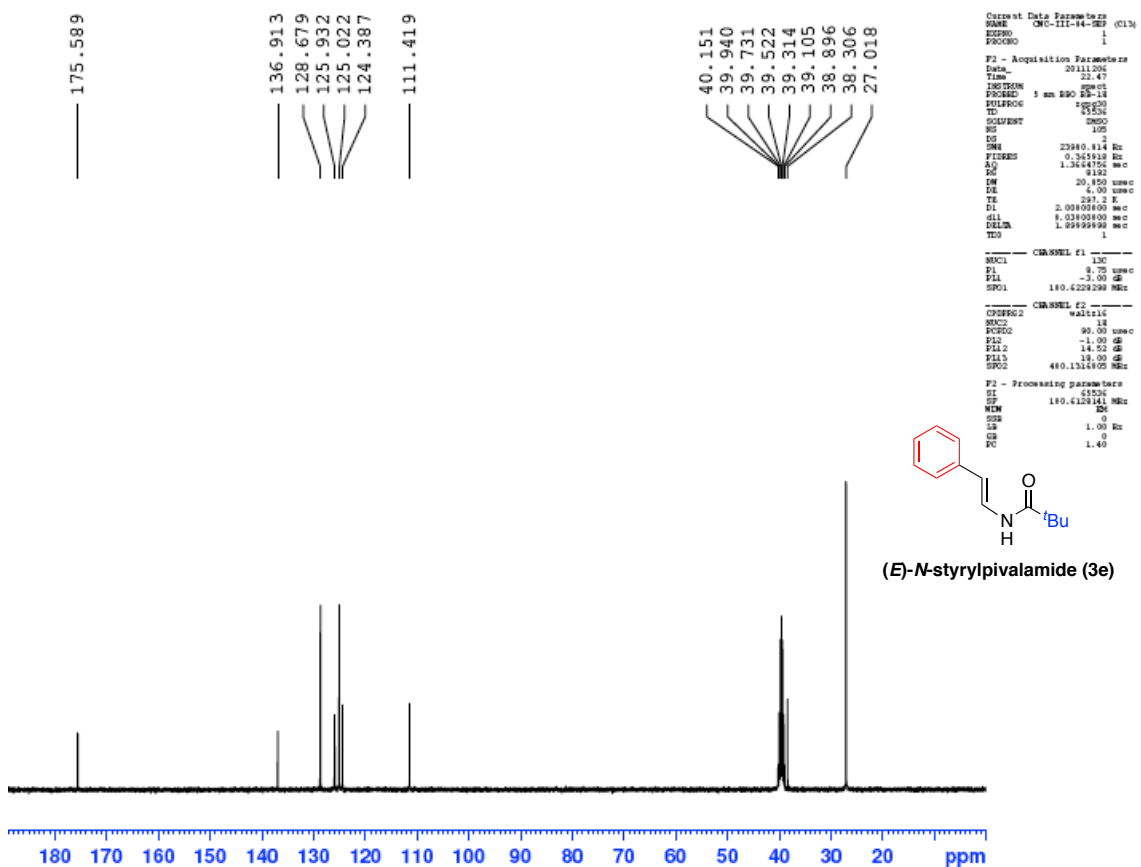
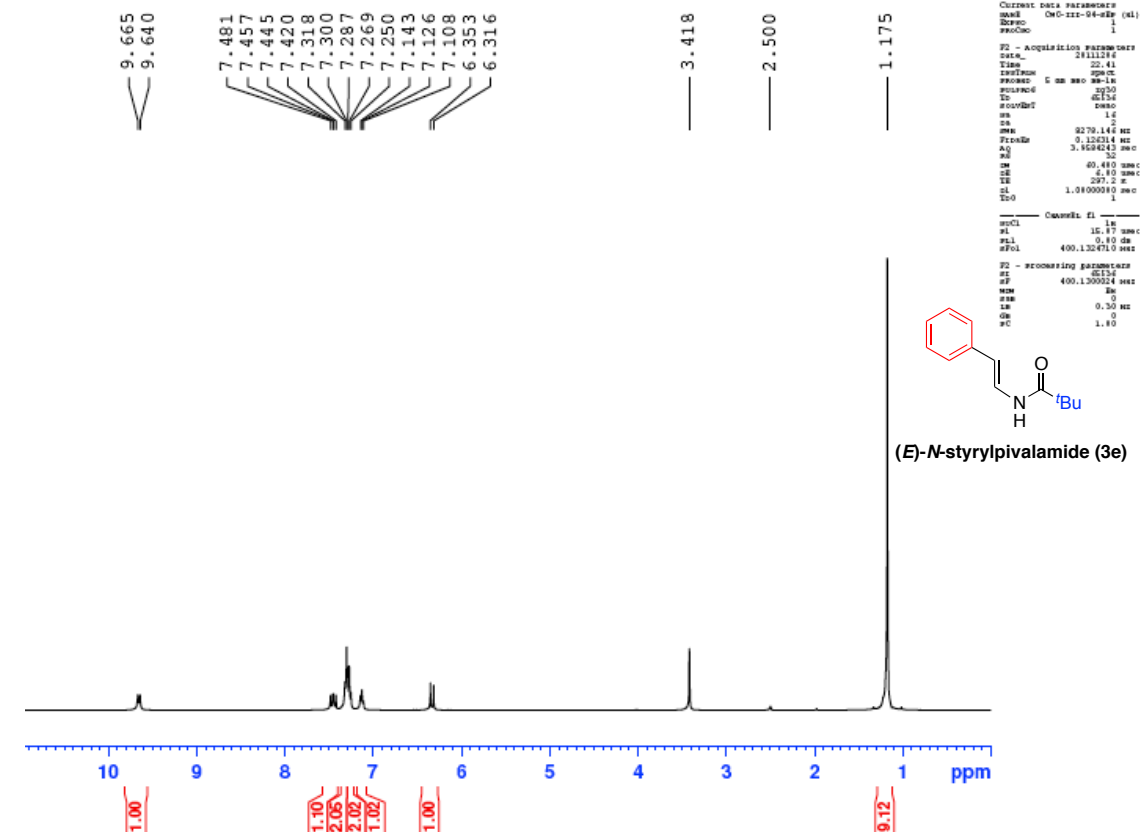


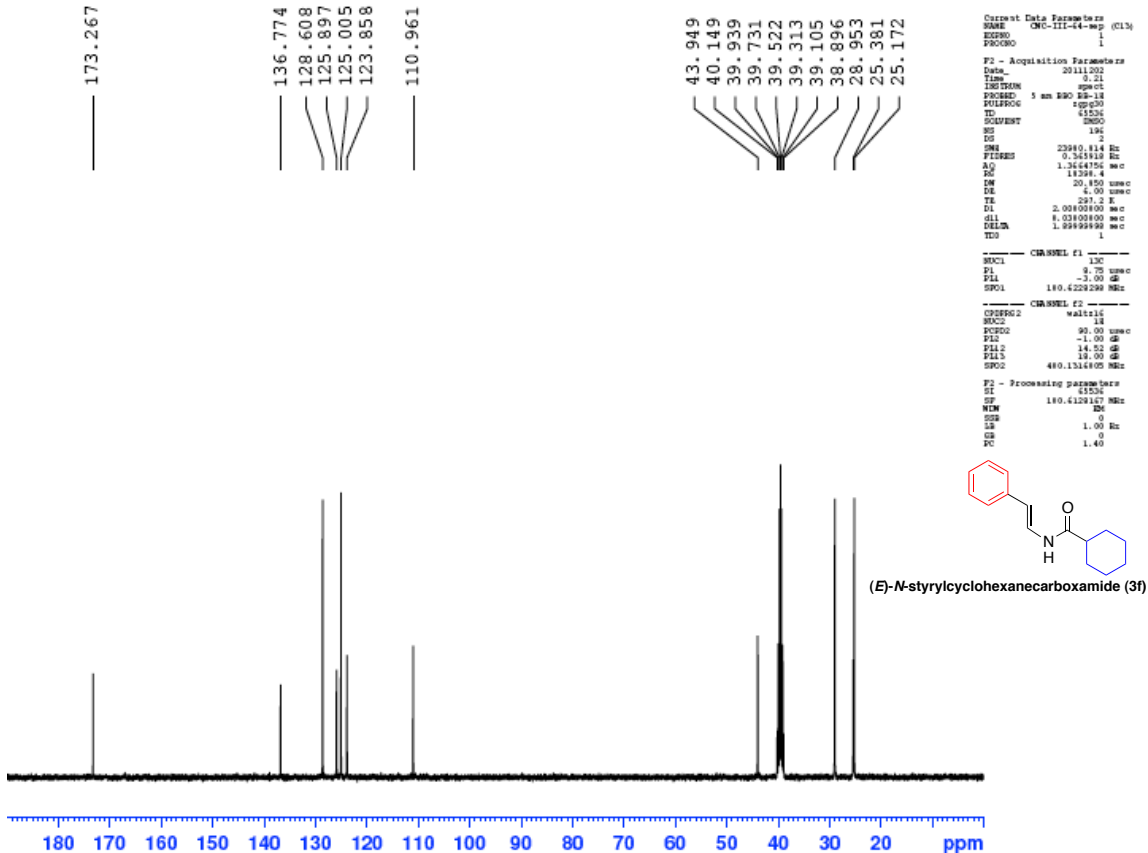
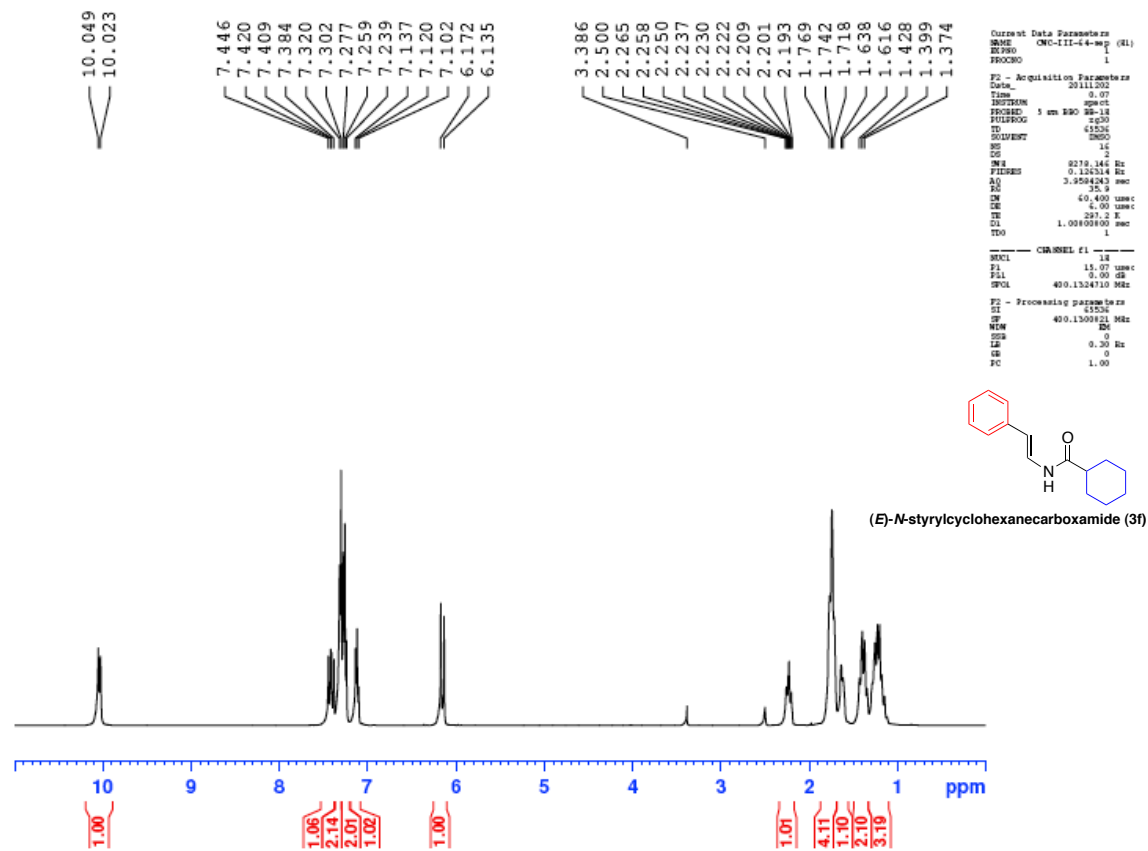


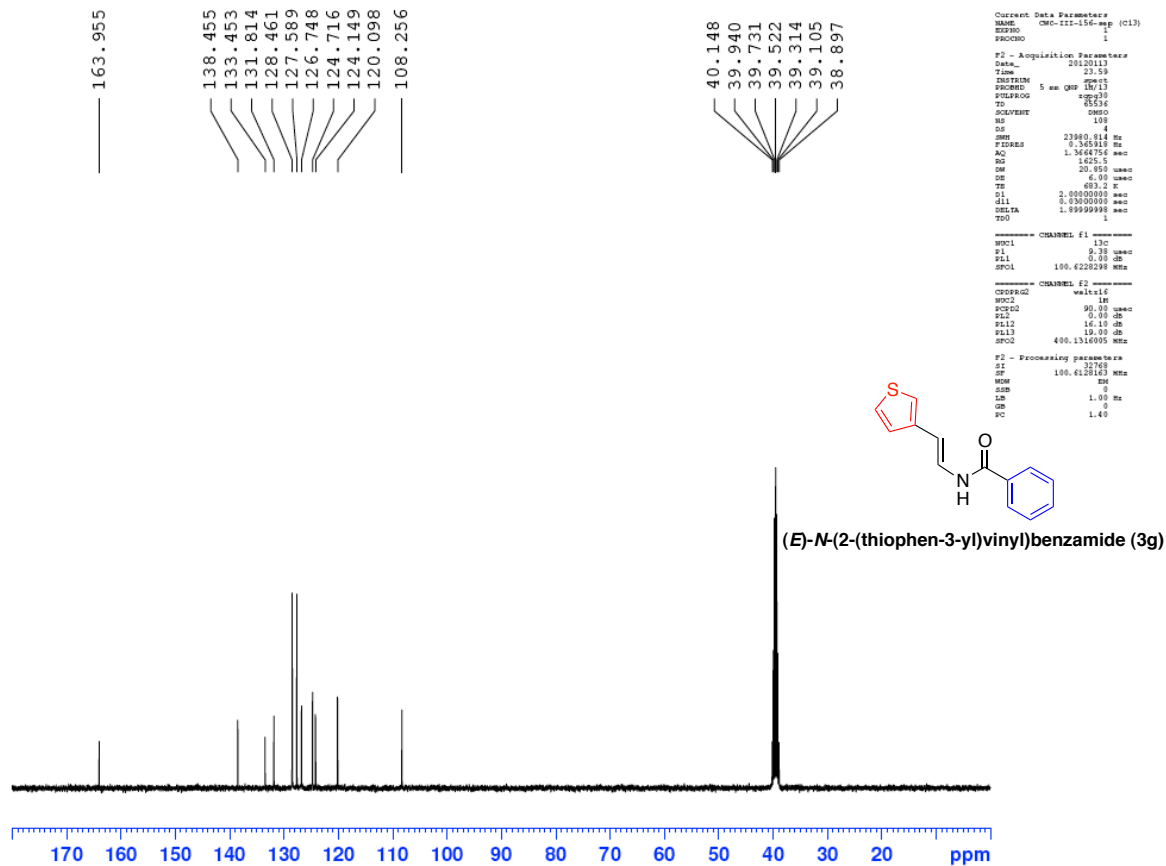
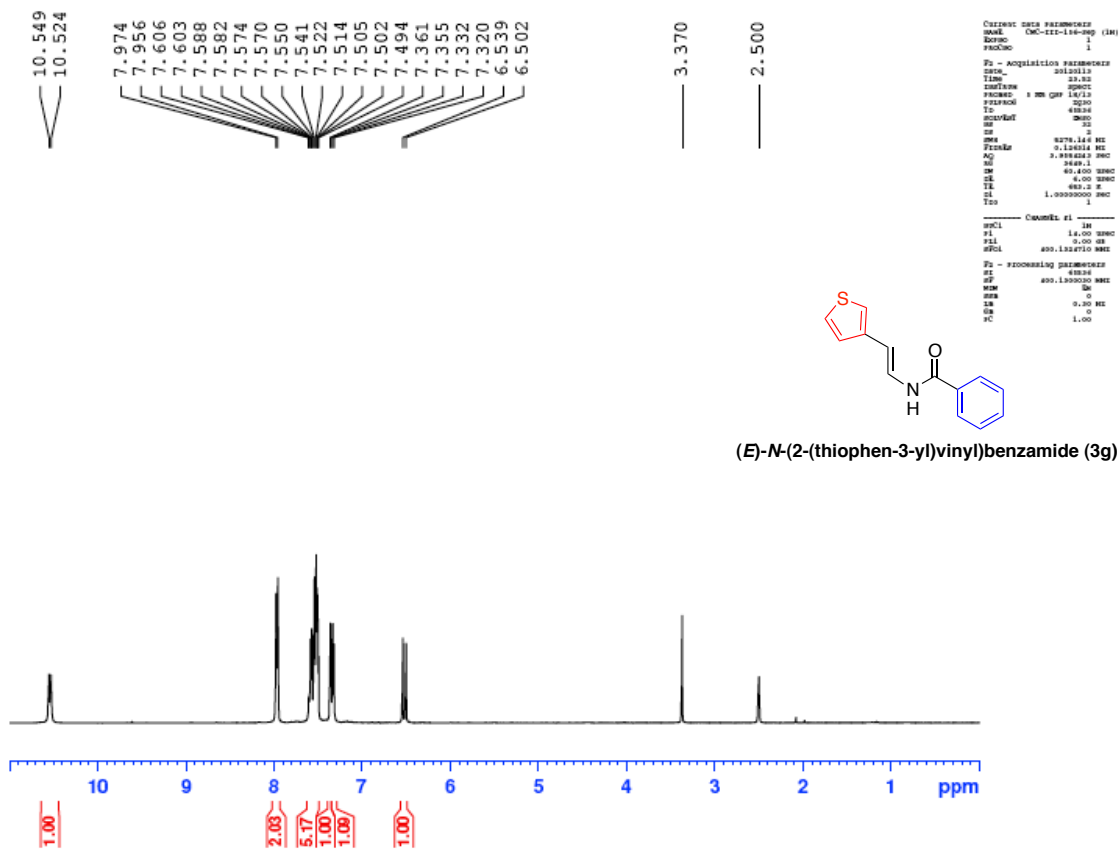


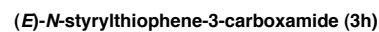
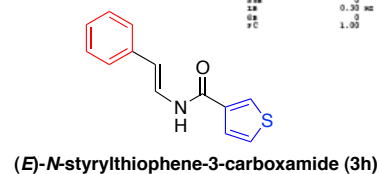


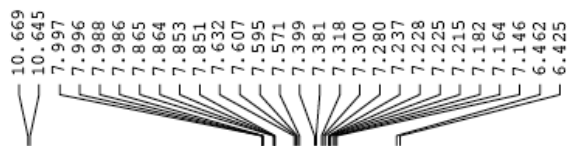










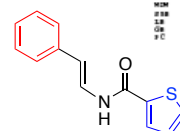


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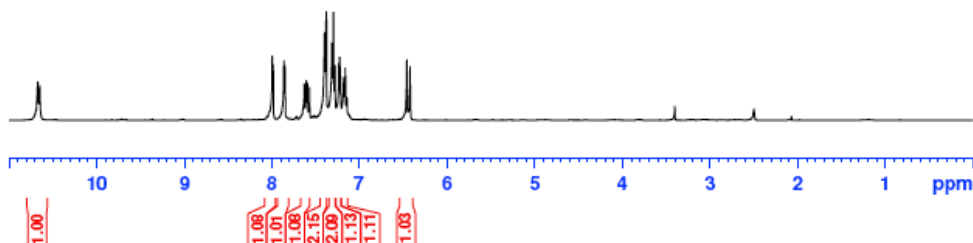
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SI: 1.00000001 sec
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SI: 41134
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(E)-N-styrylthiophene-2-carboxamide (3i)



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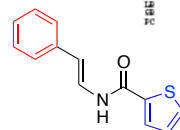
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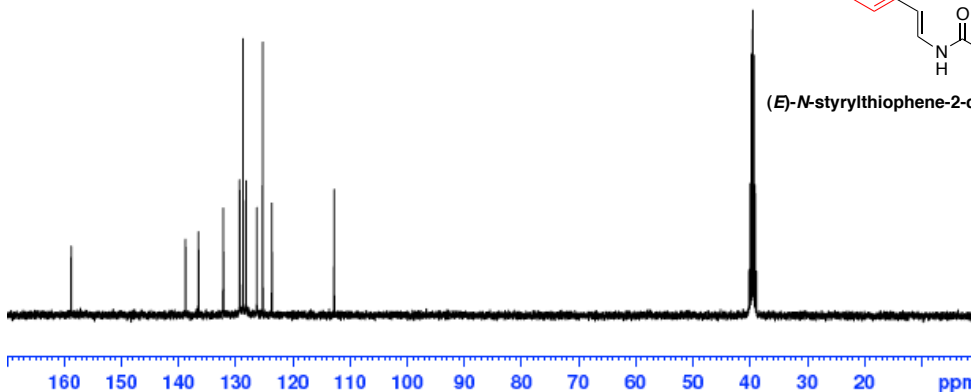
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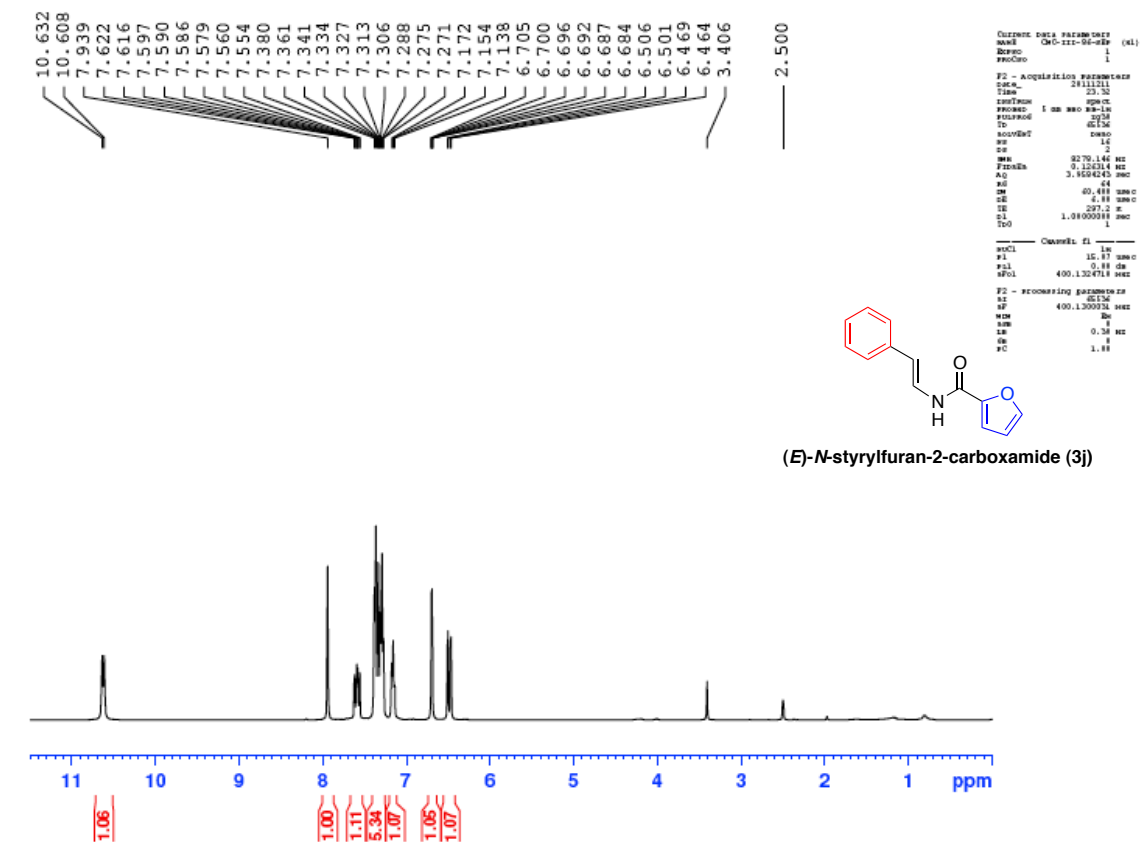
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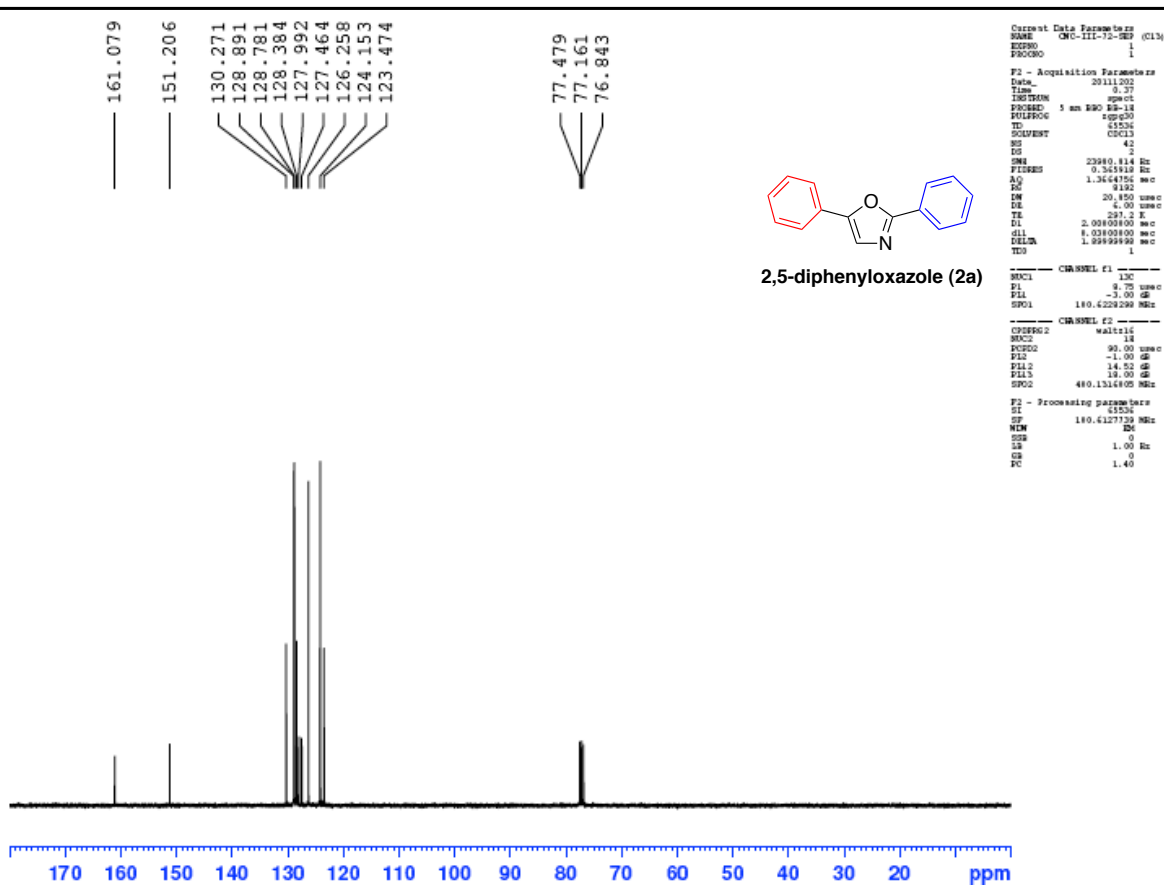
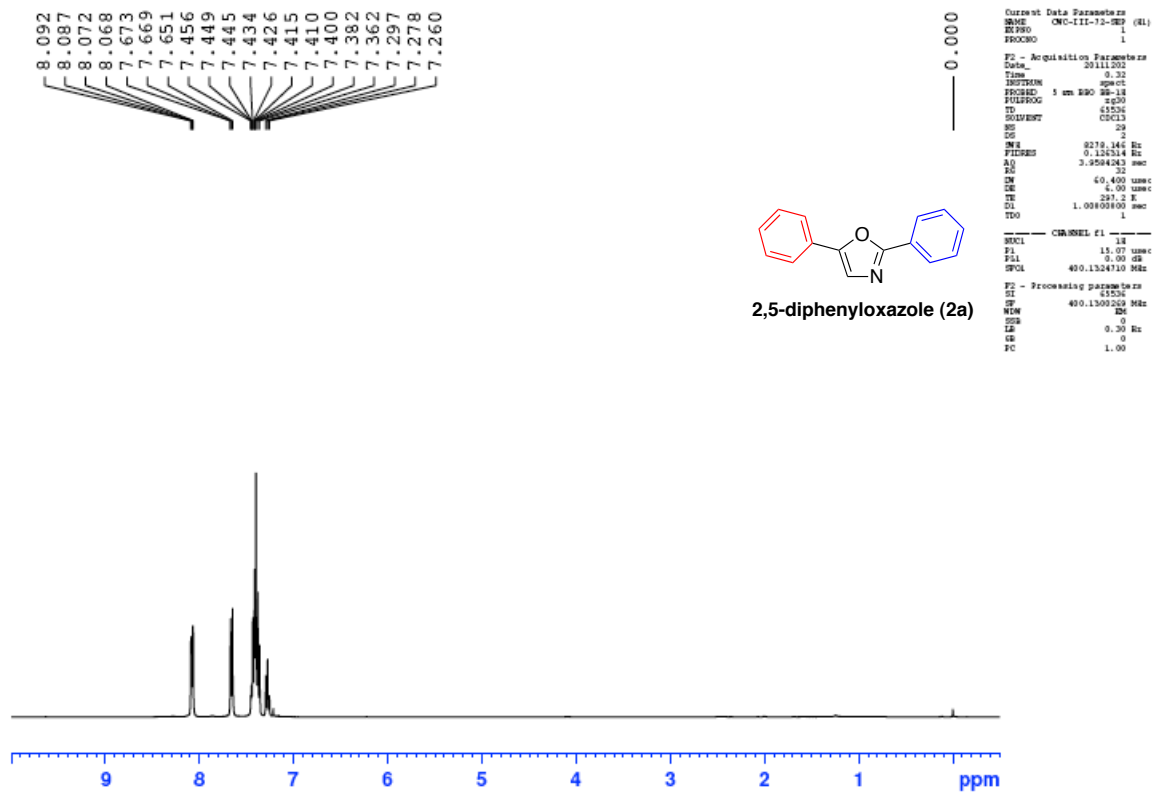
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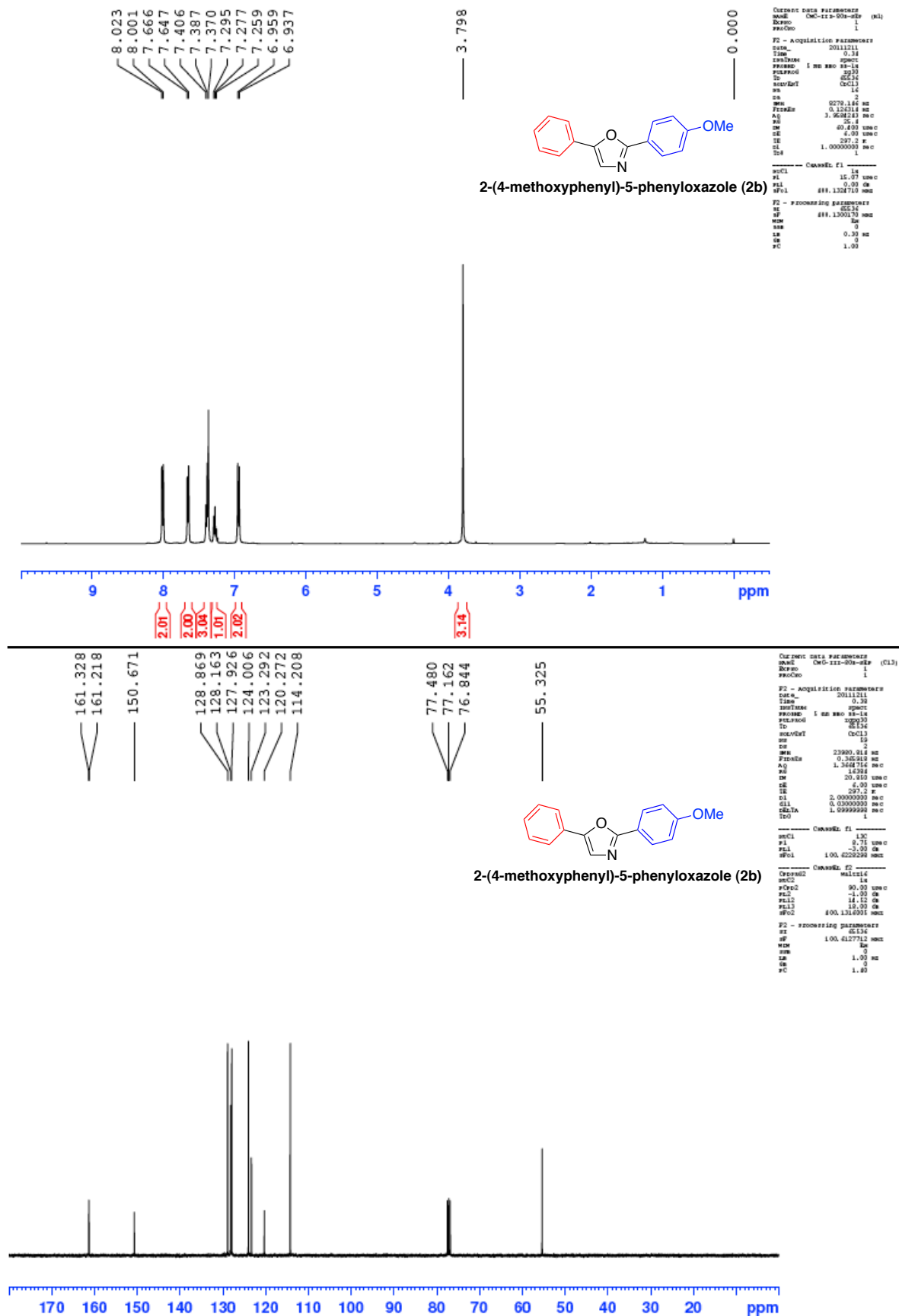


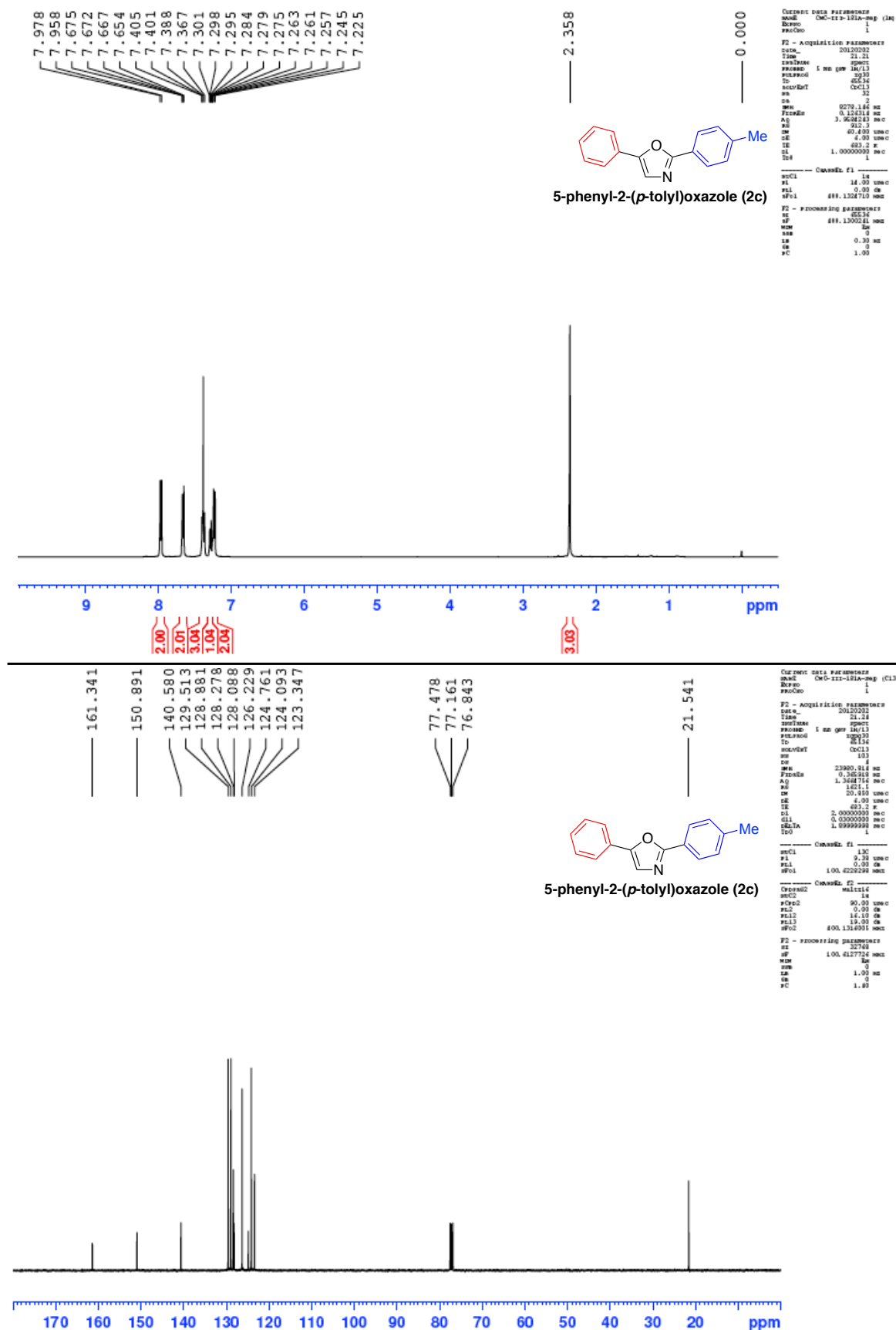
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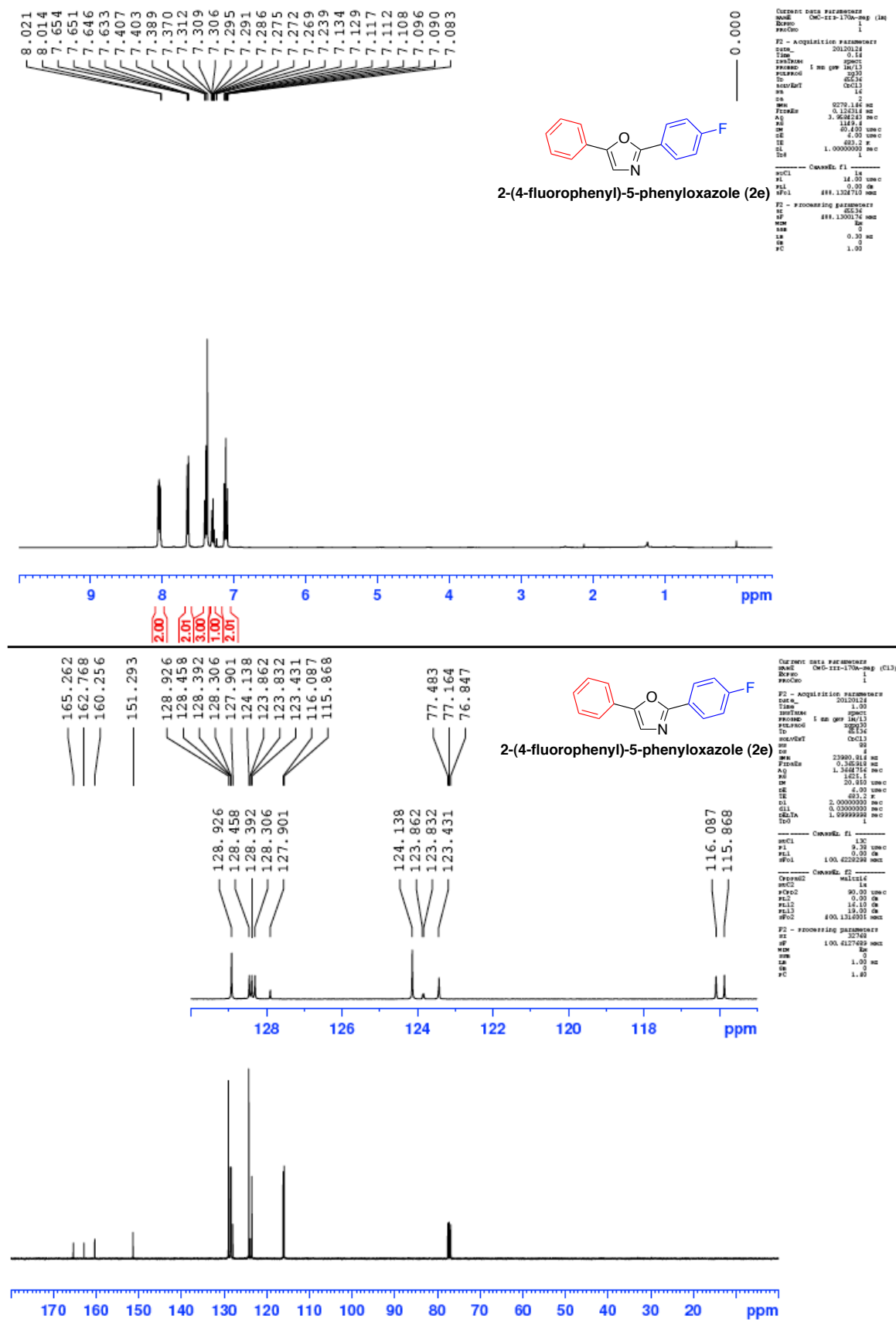


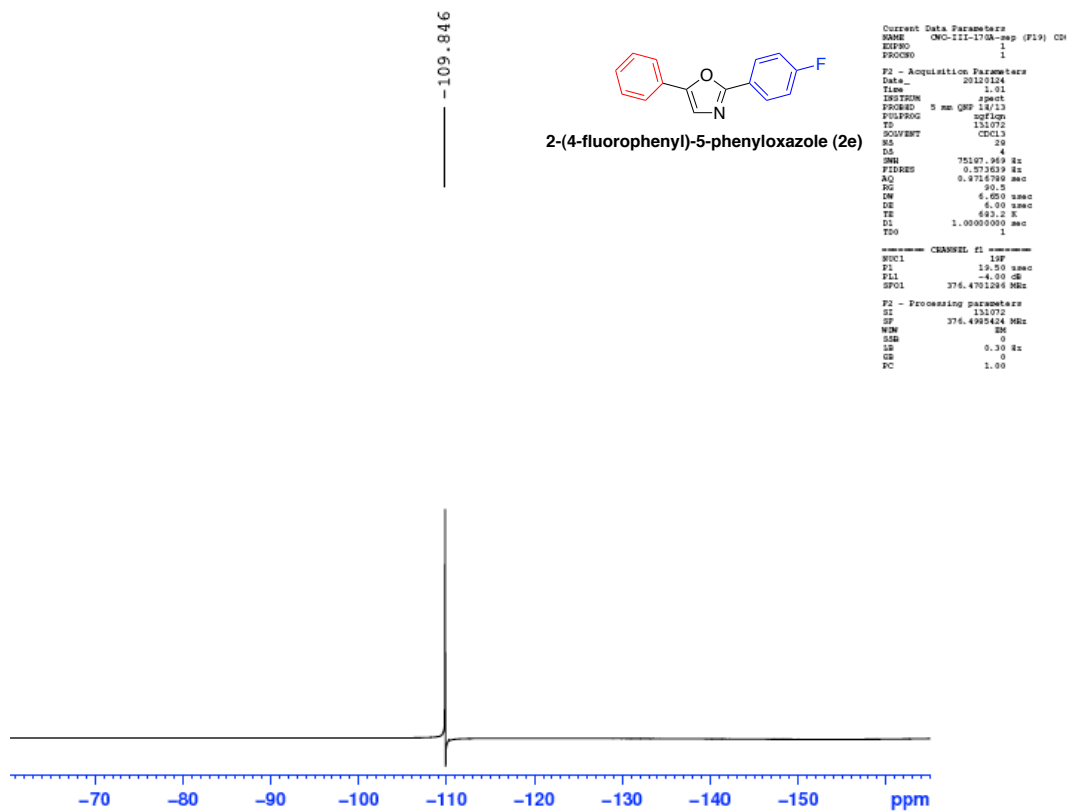


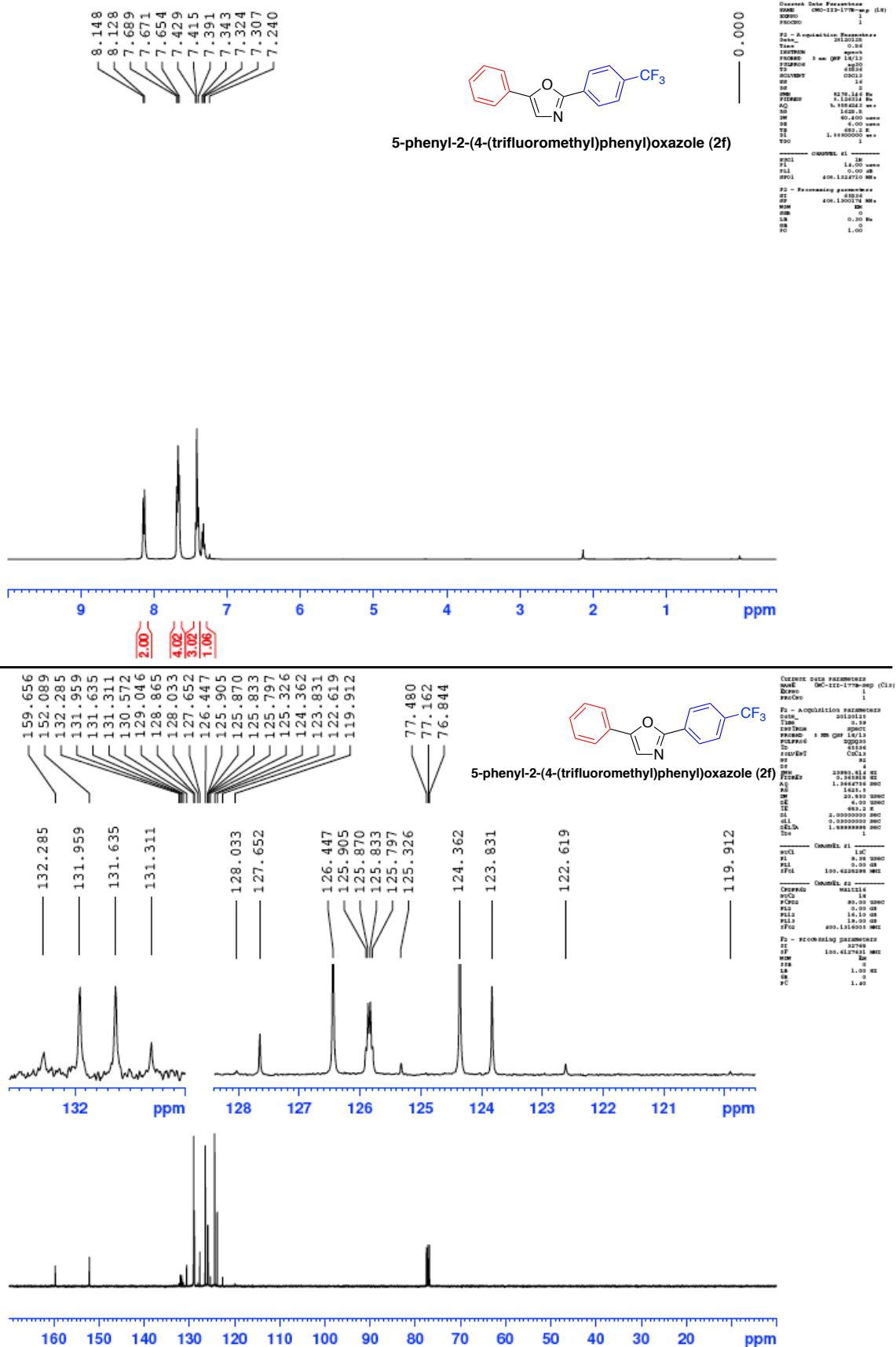


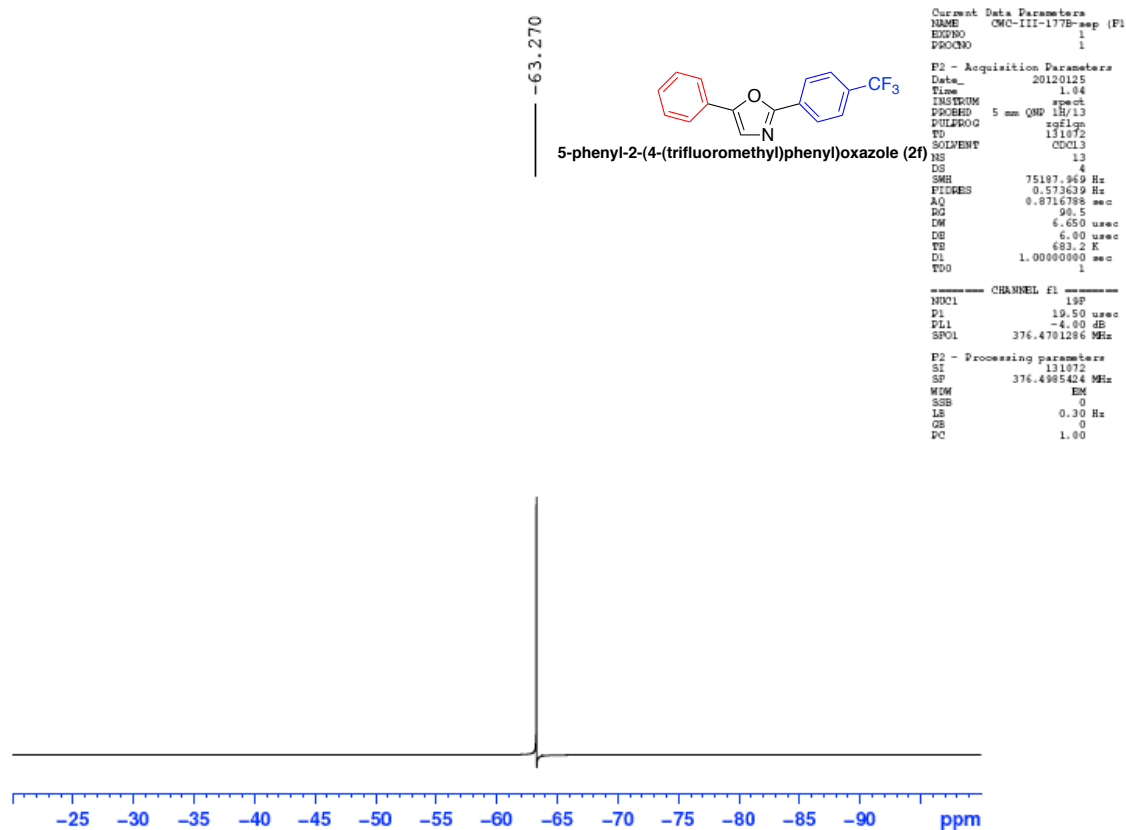


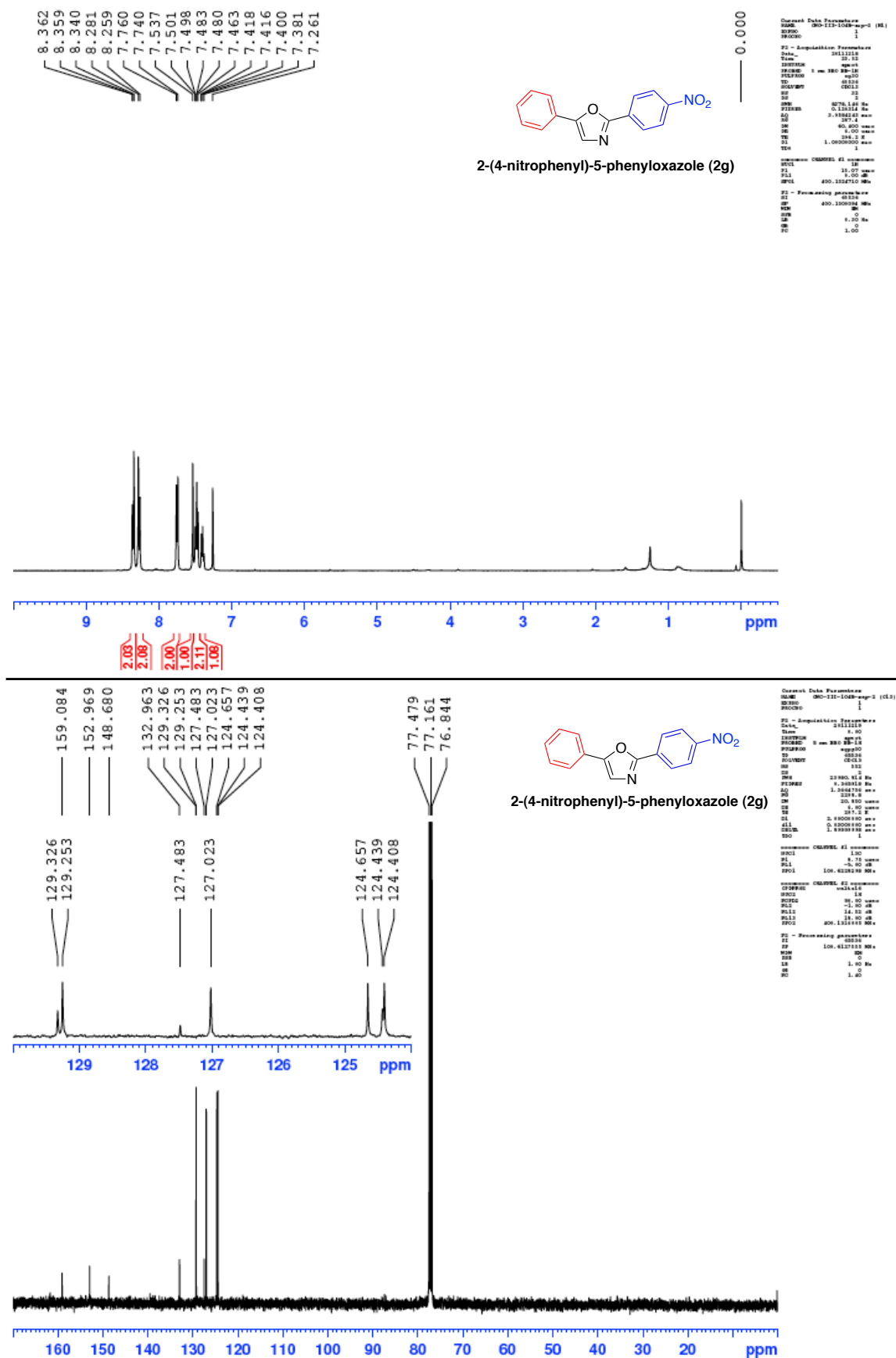


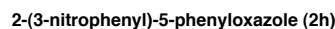
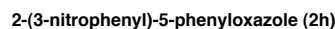
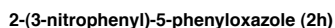


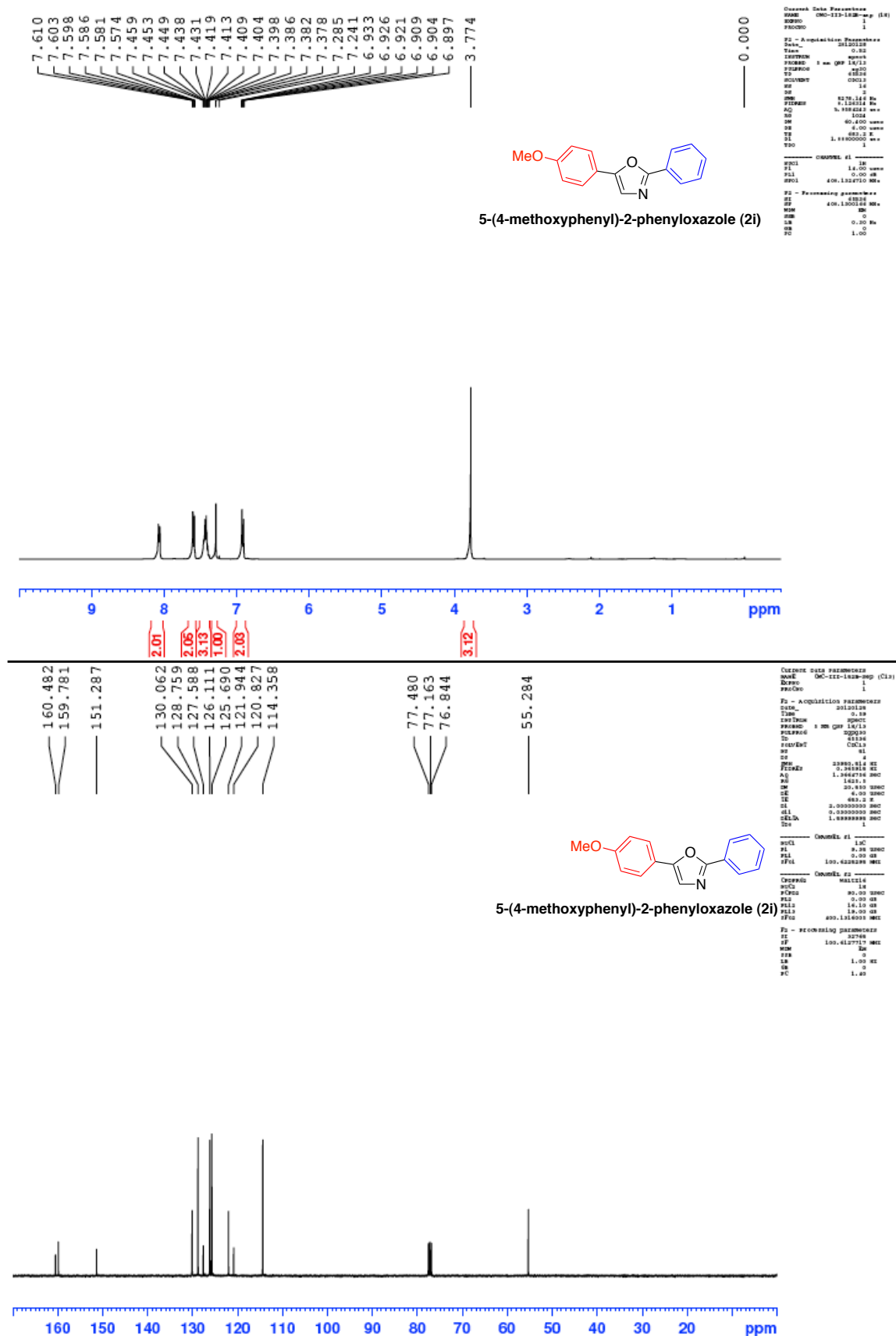


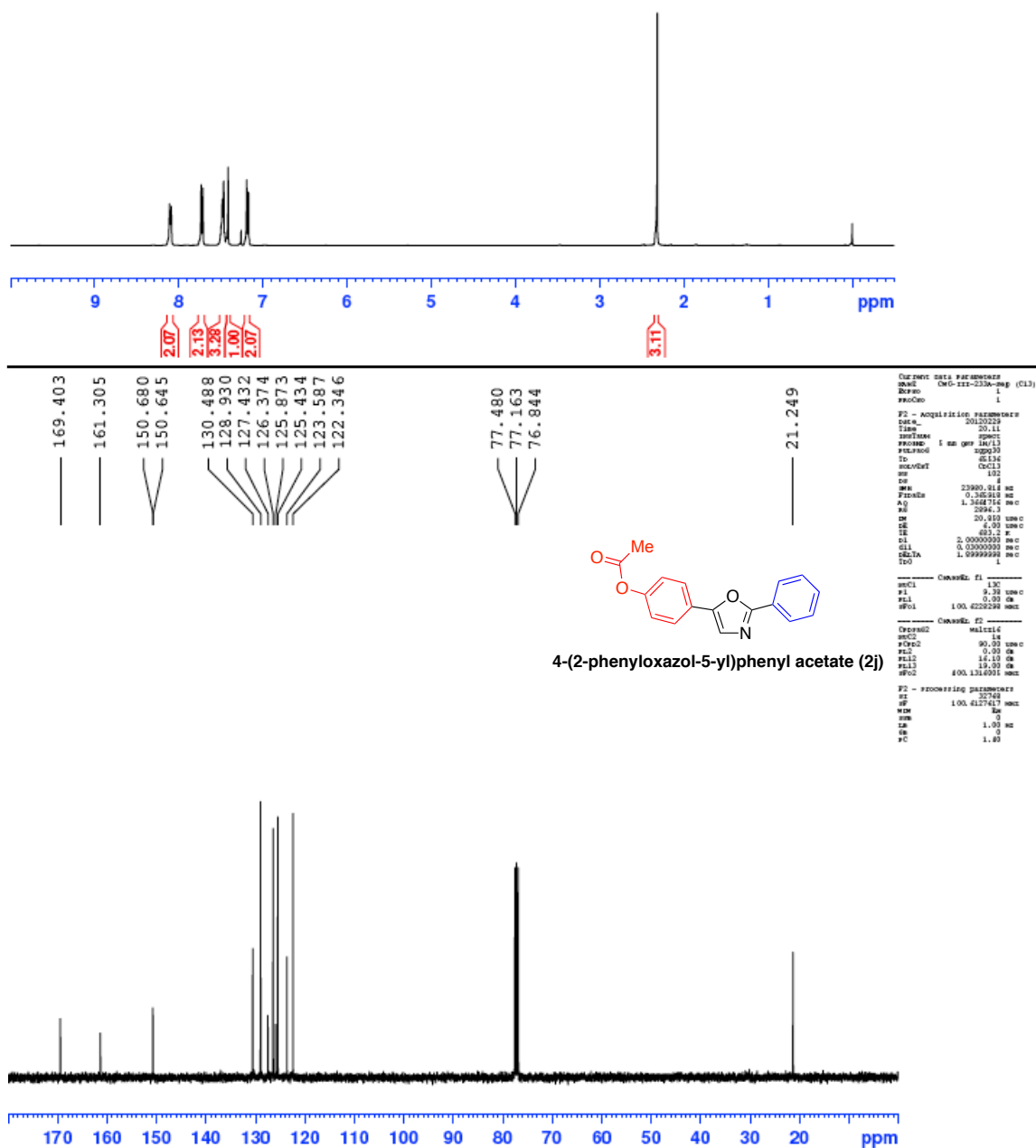
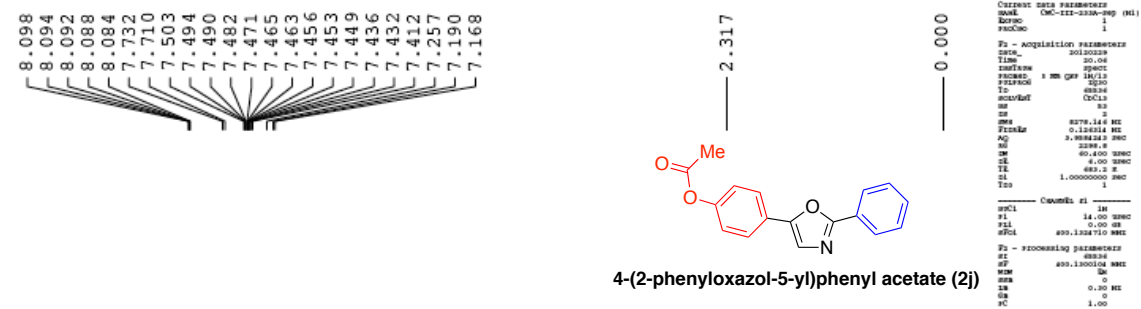




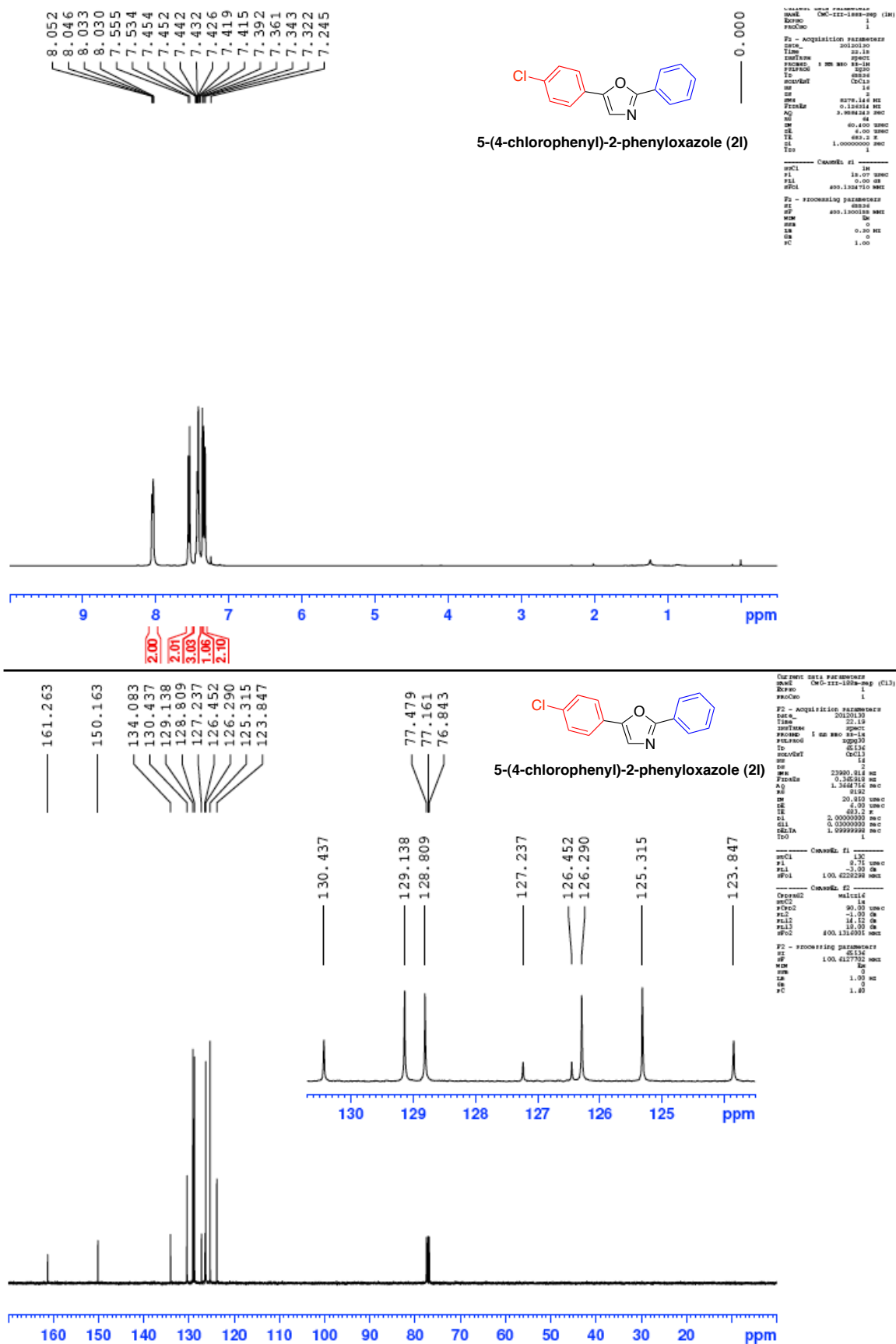


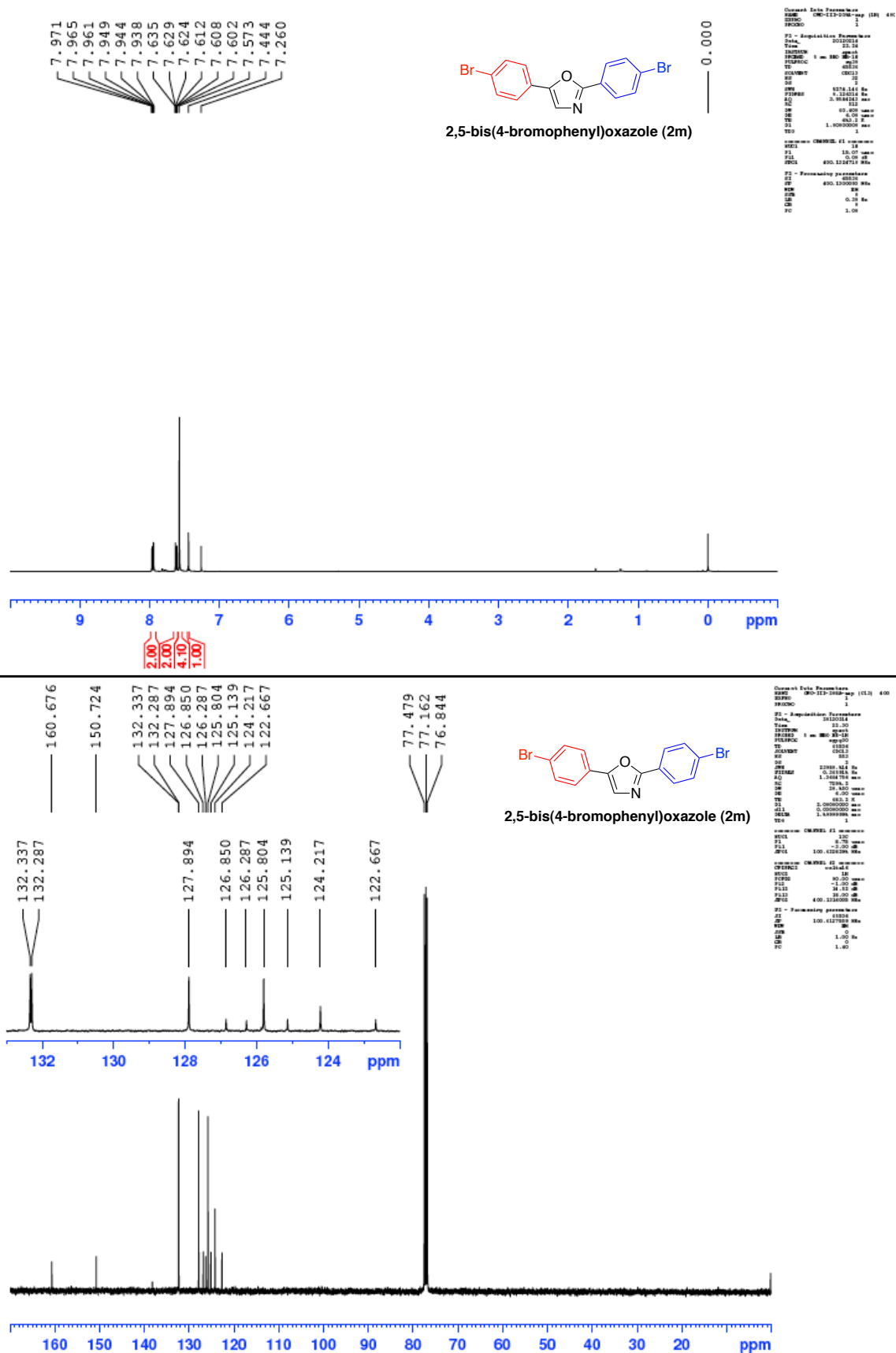


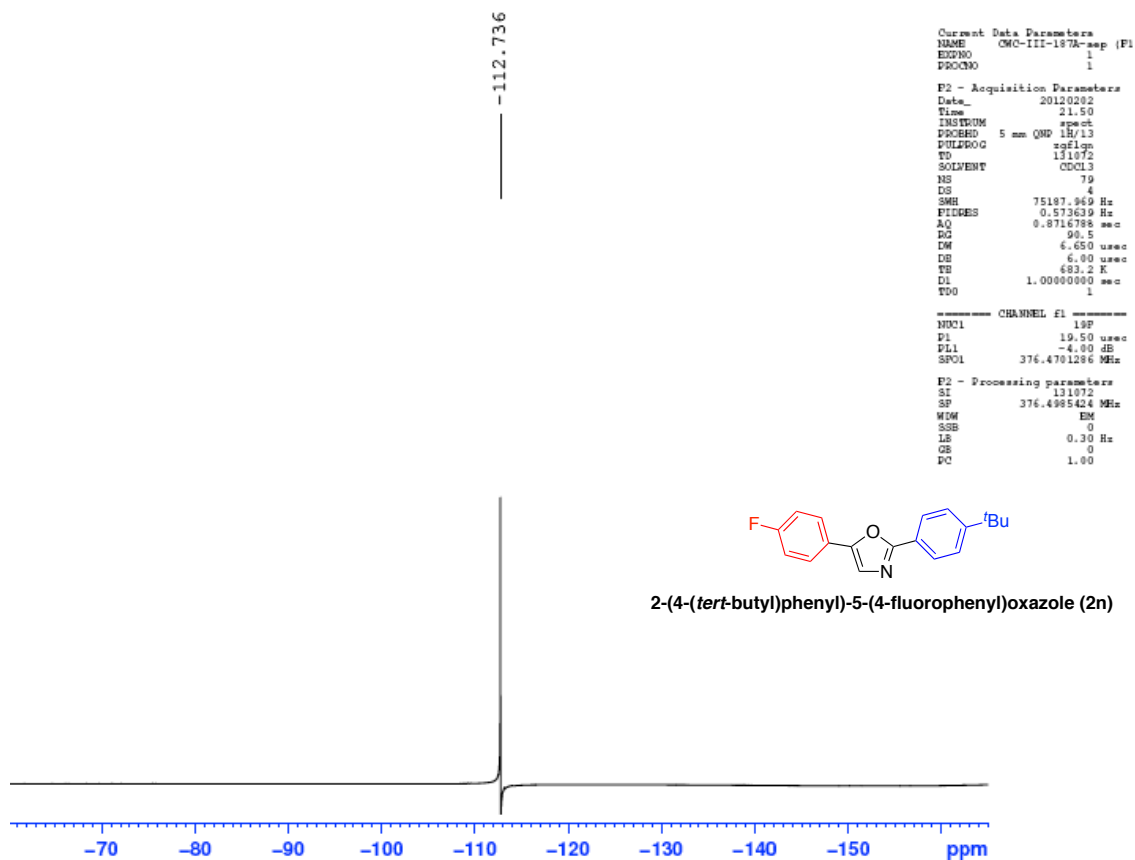


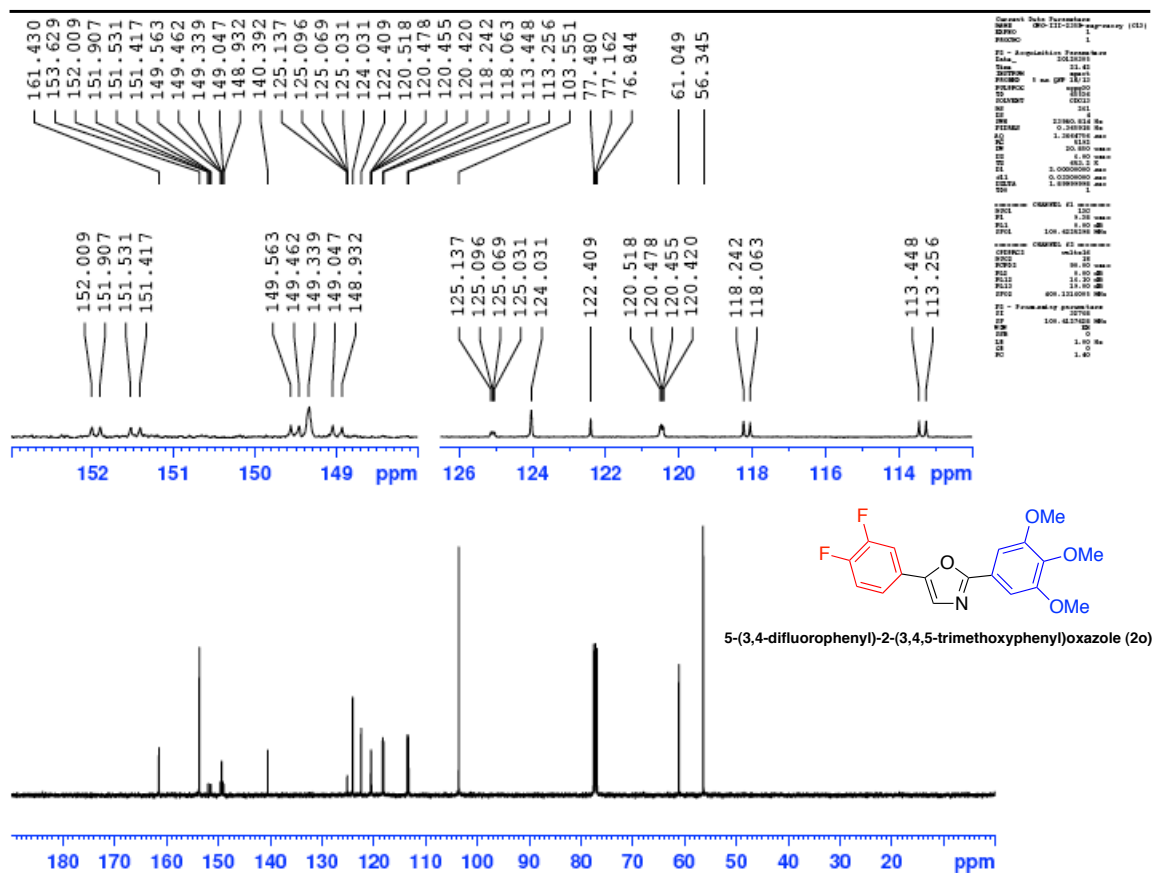
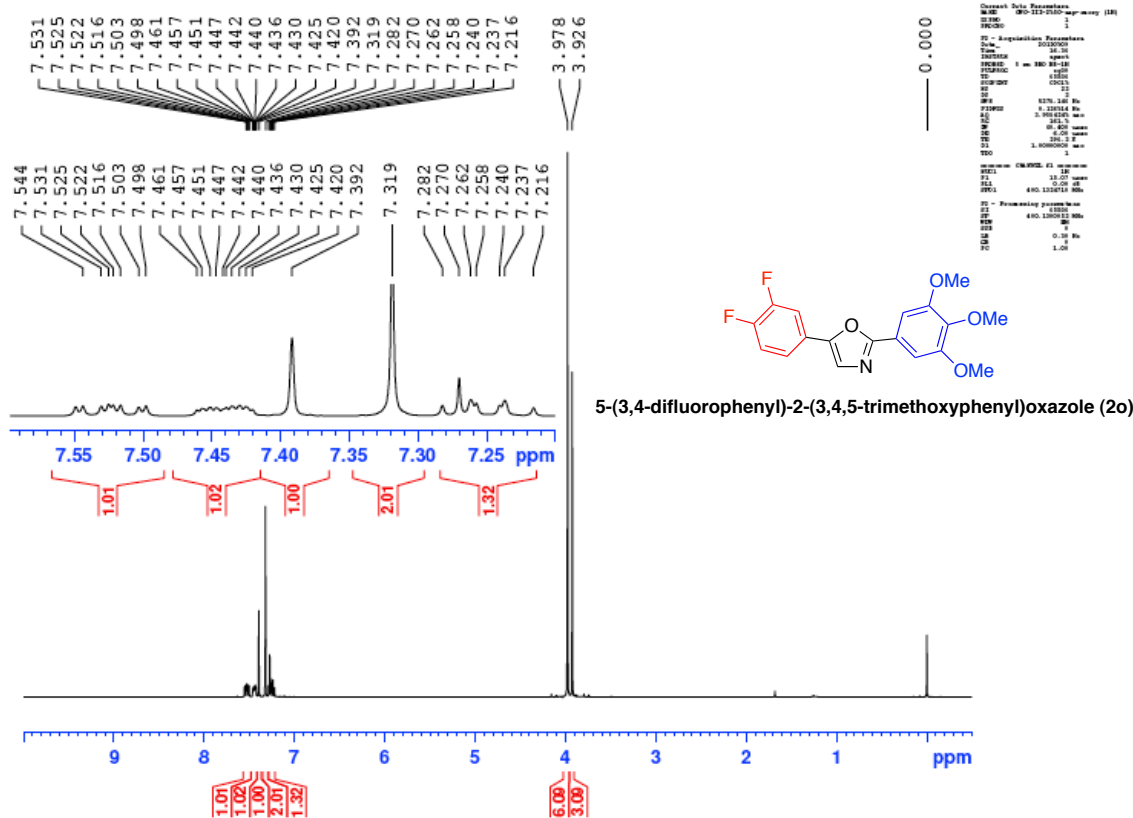


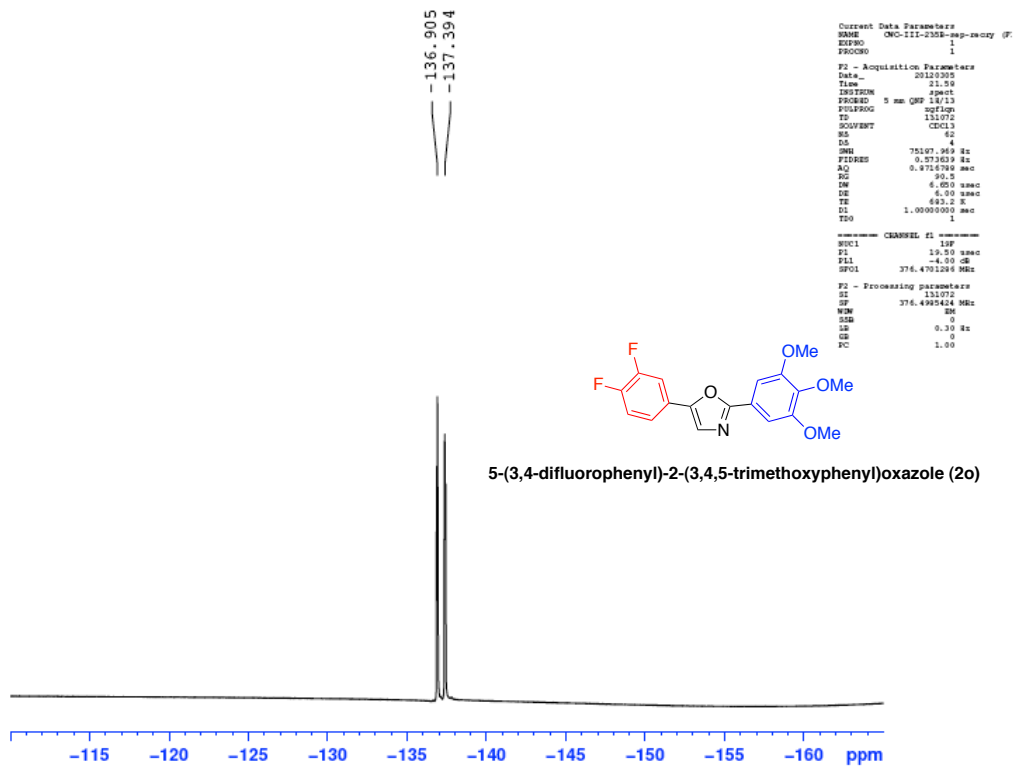




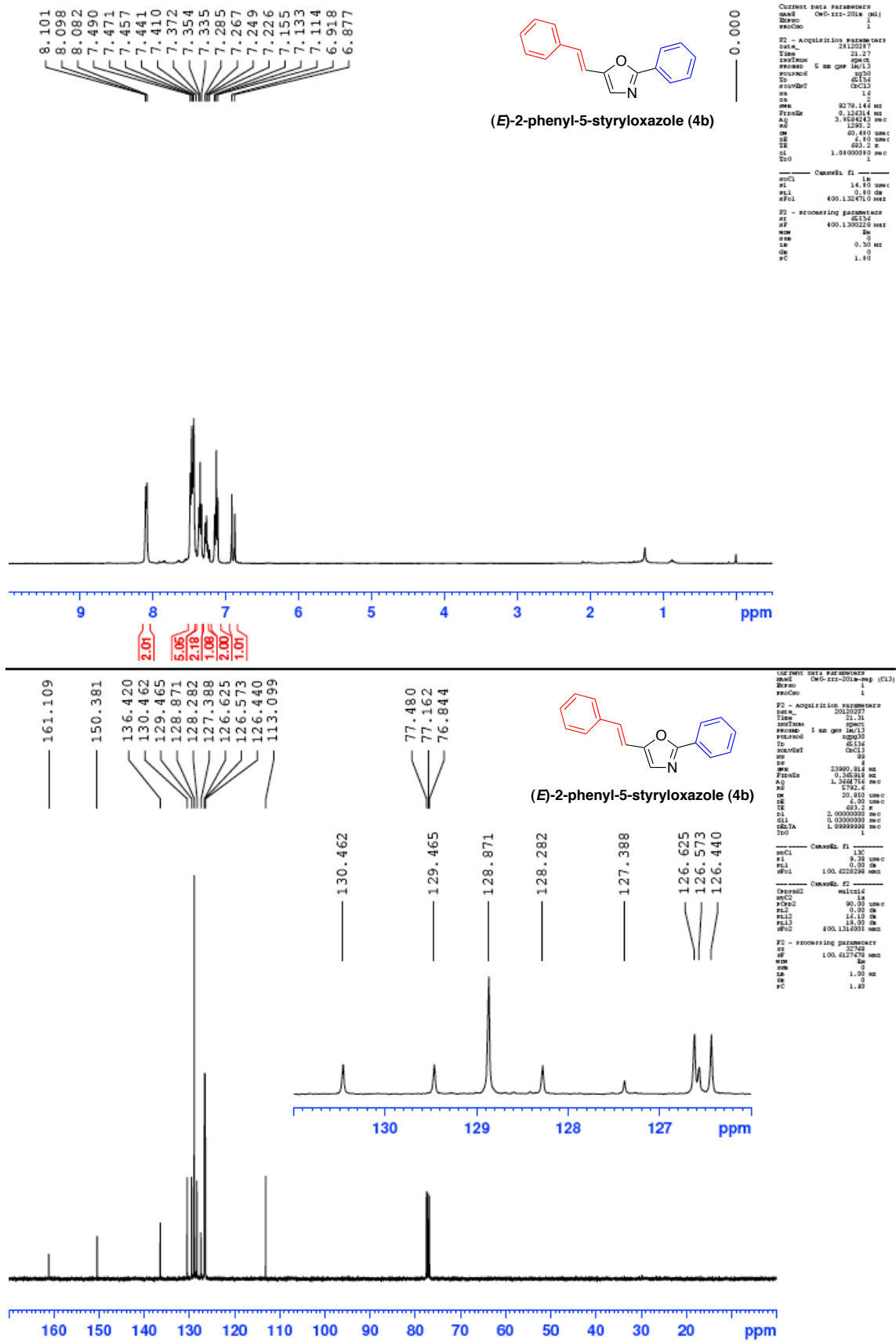


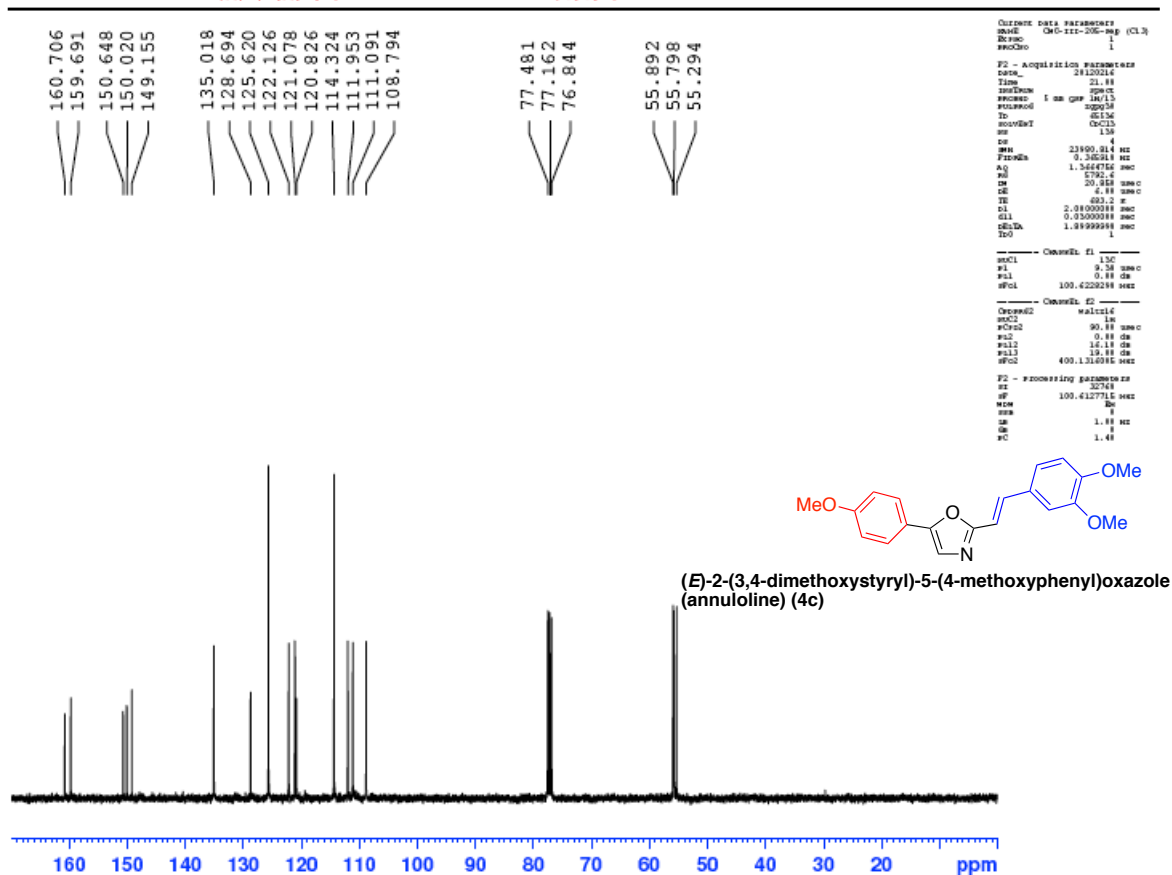
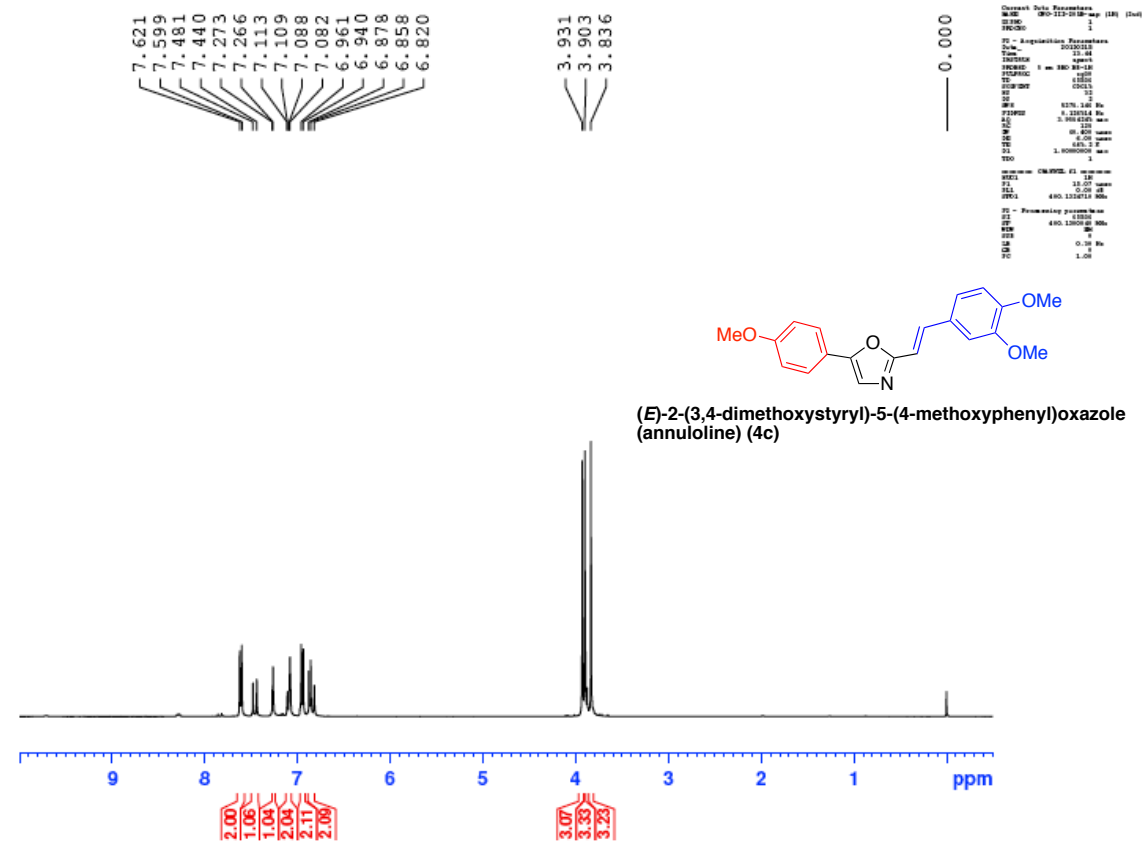


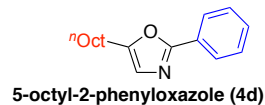
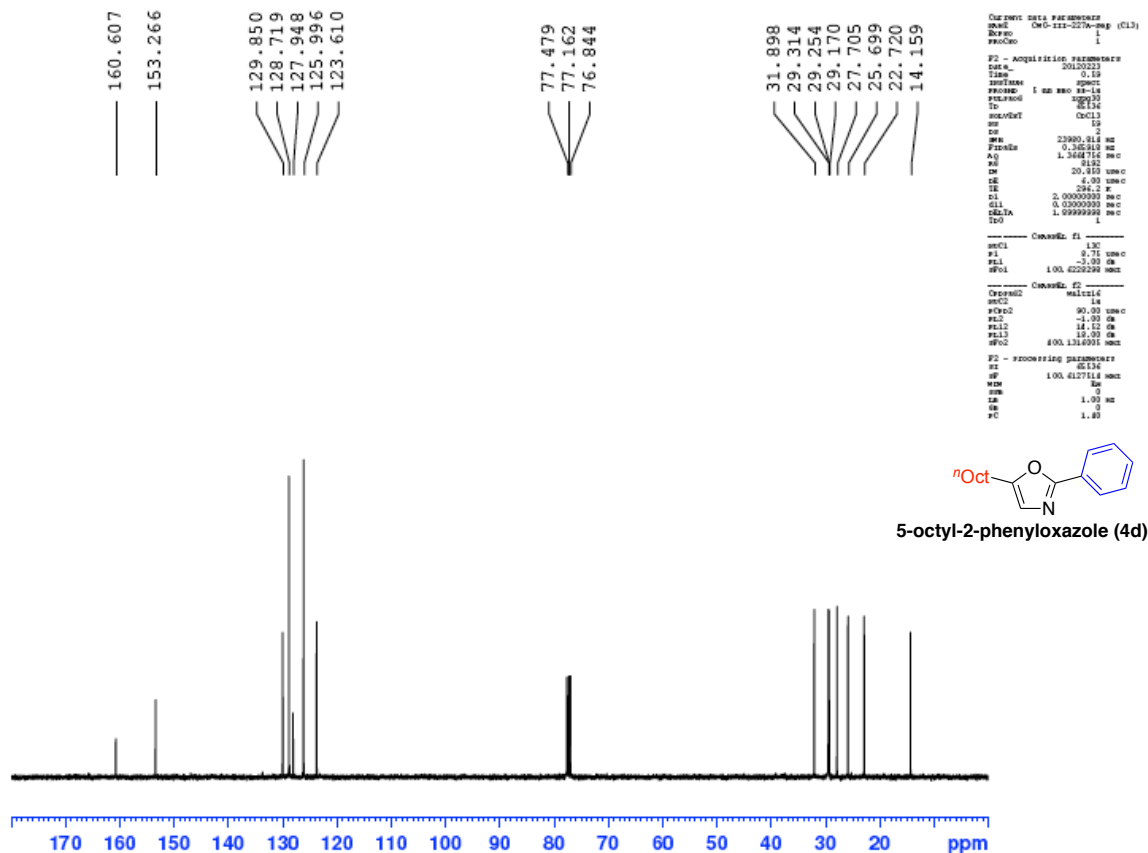
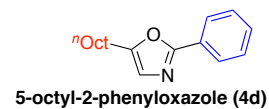
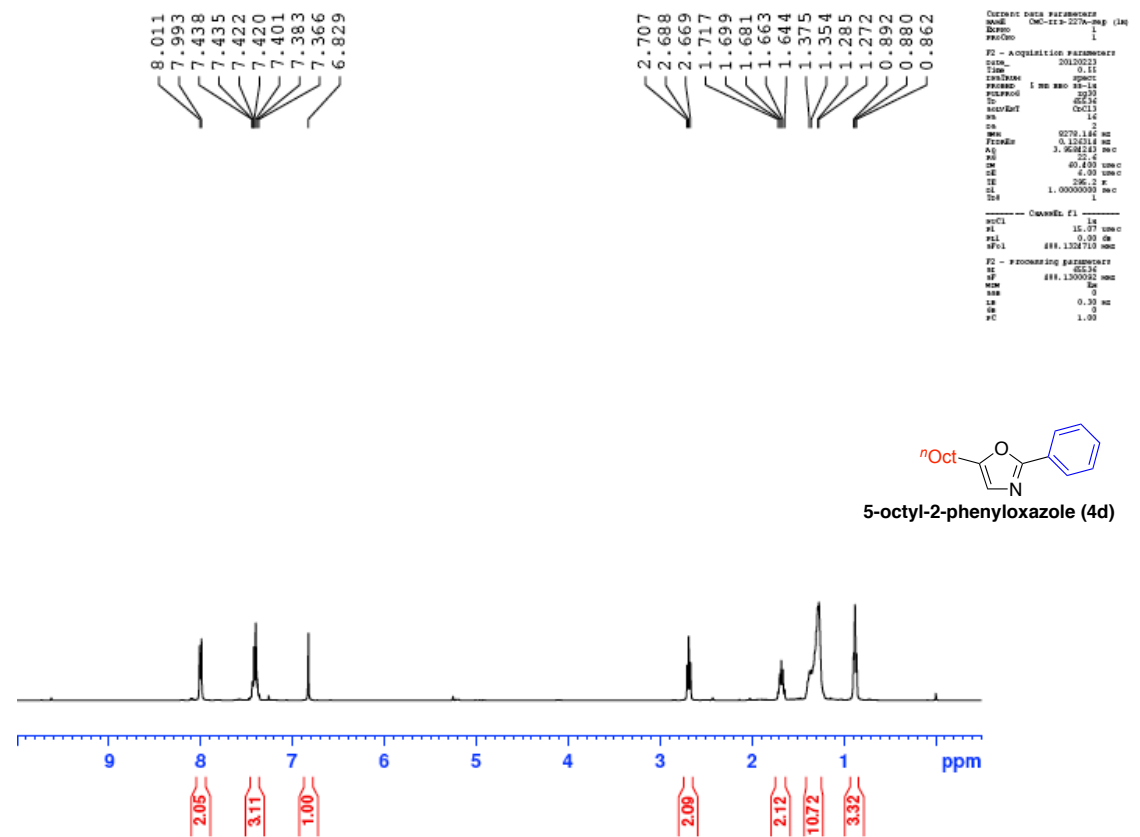


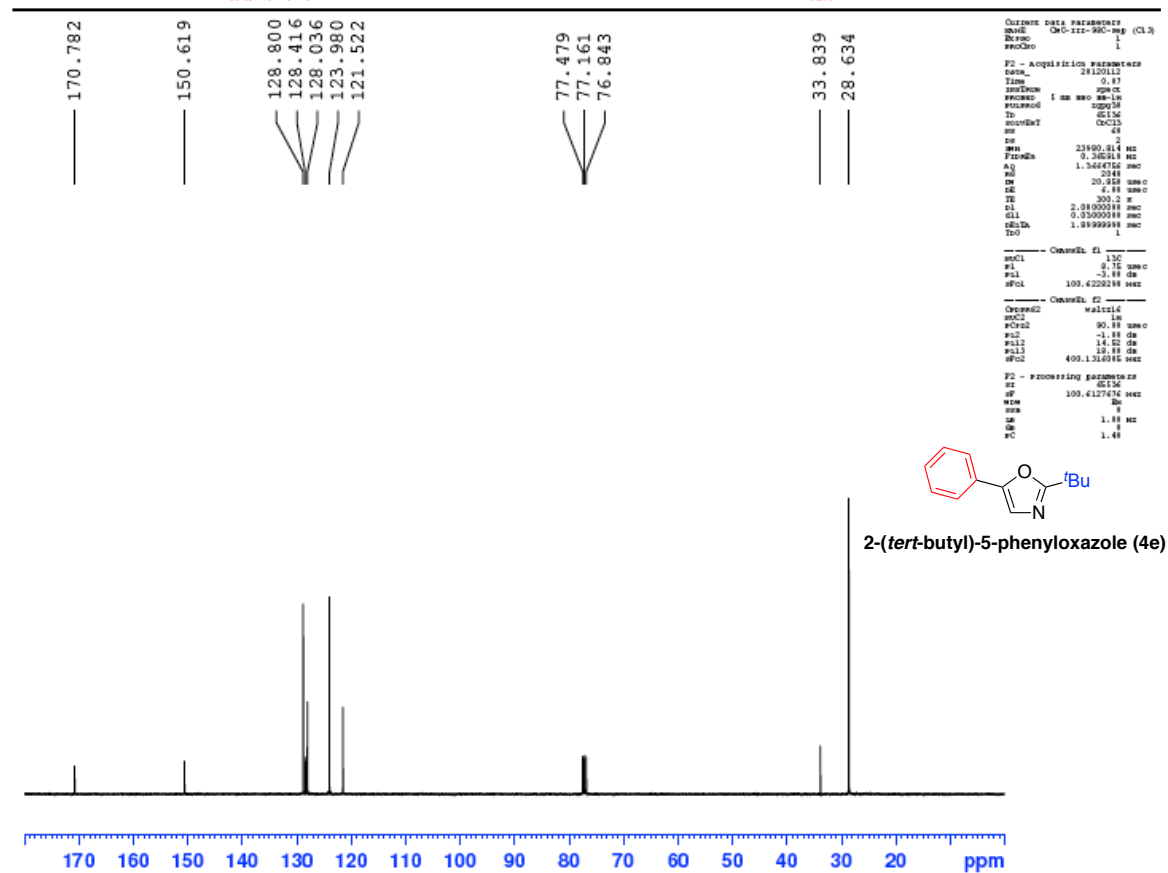
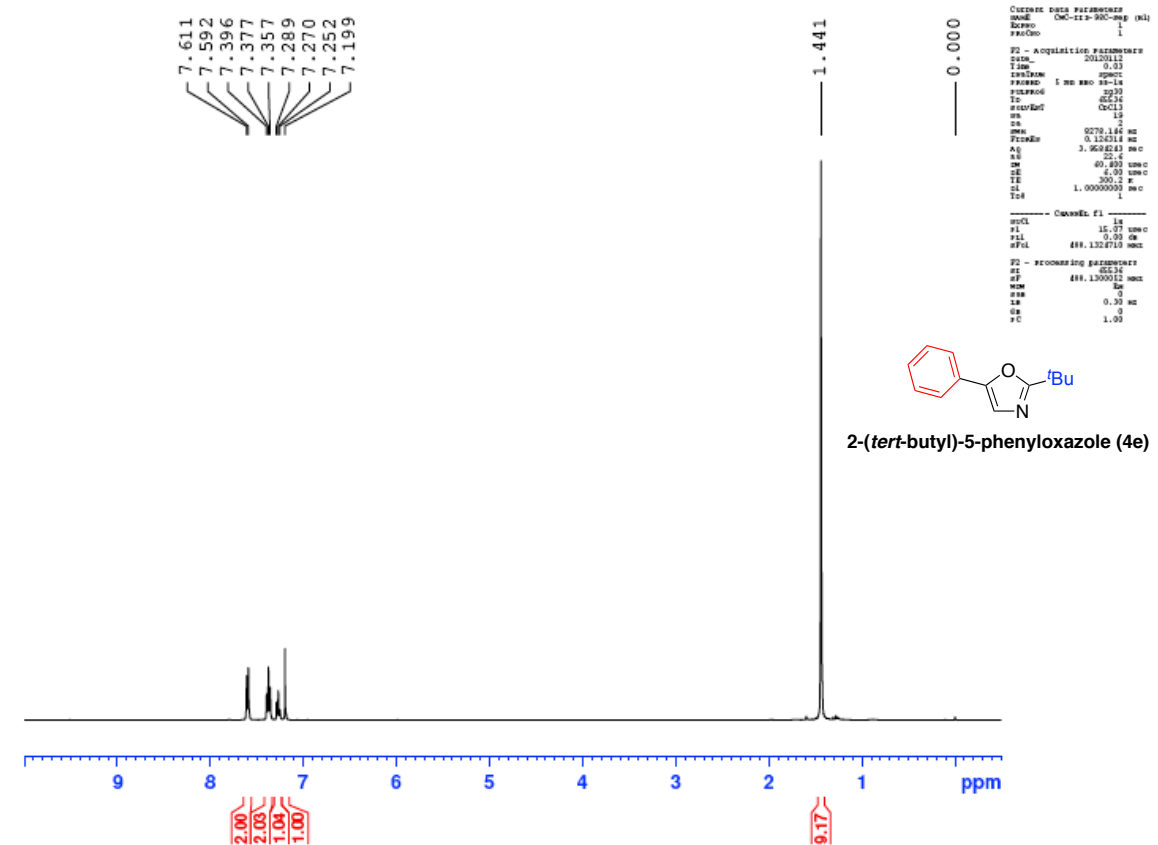


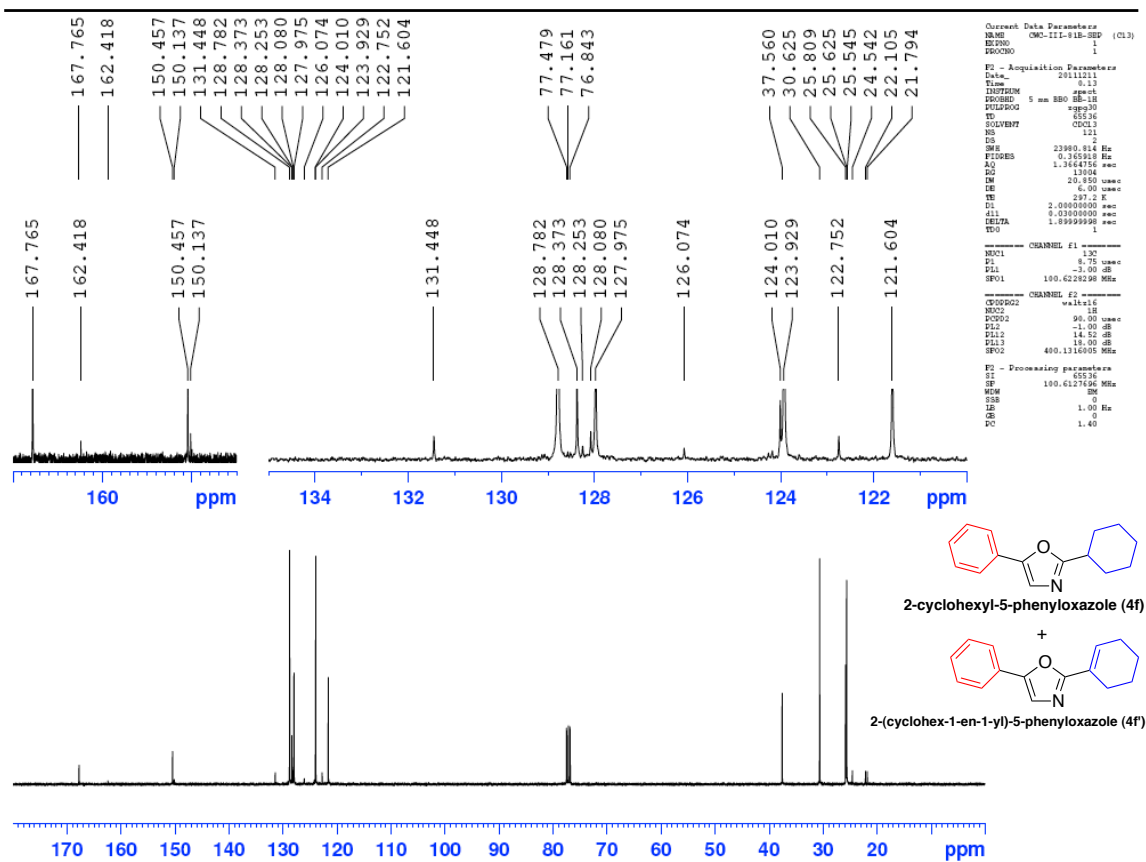
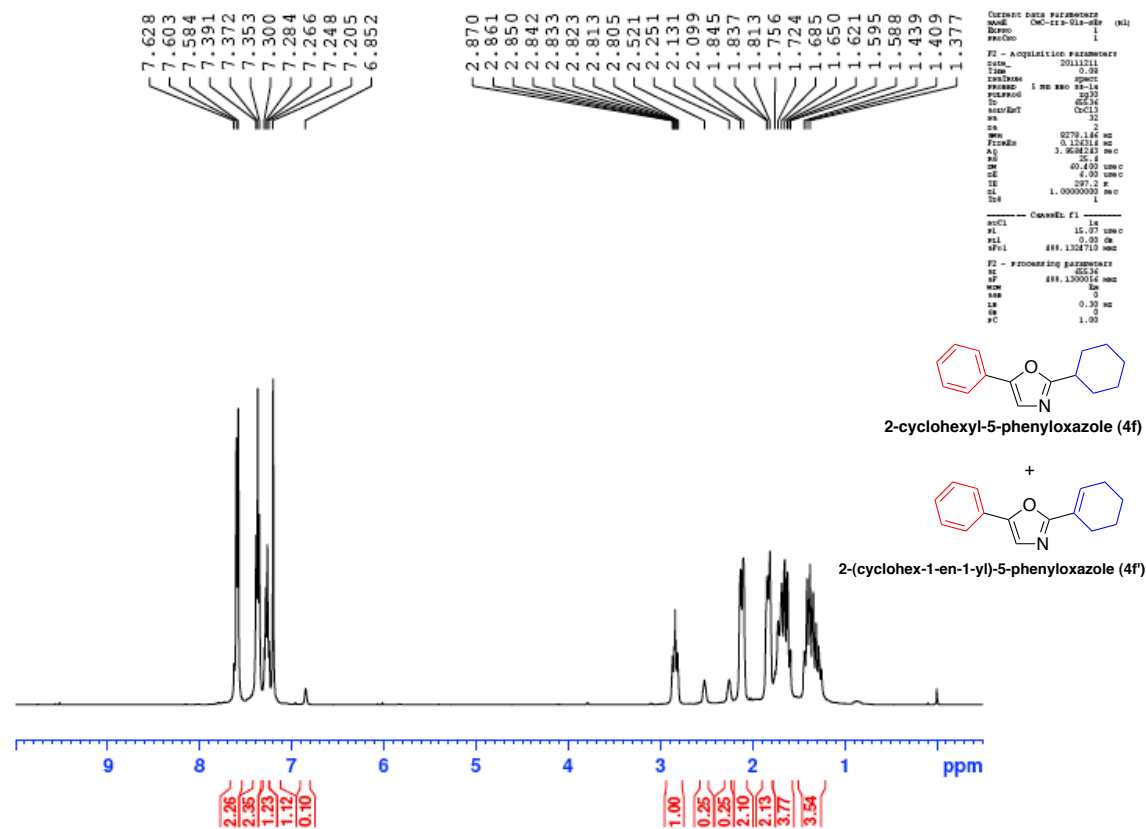


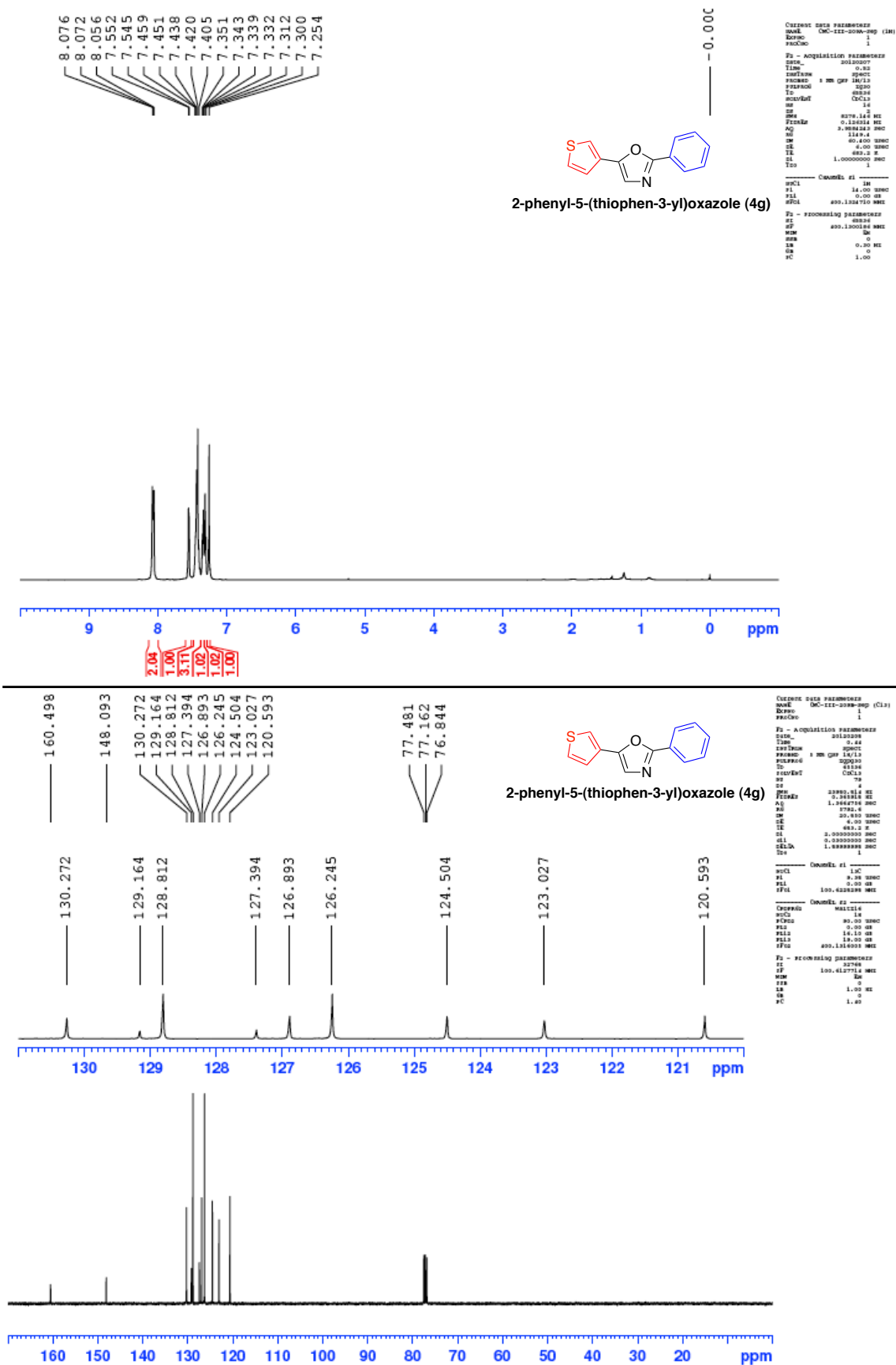


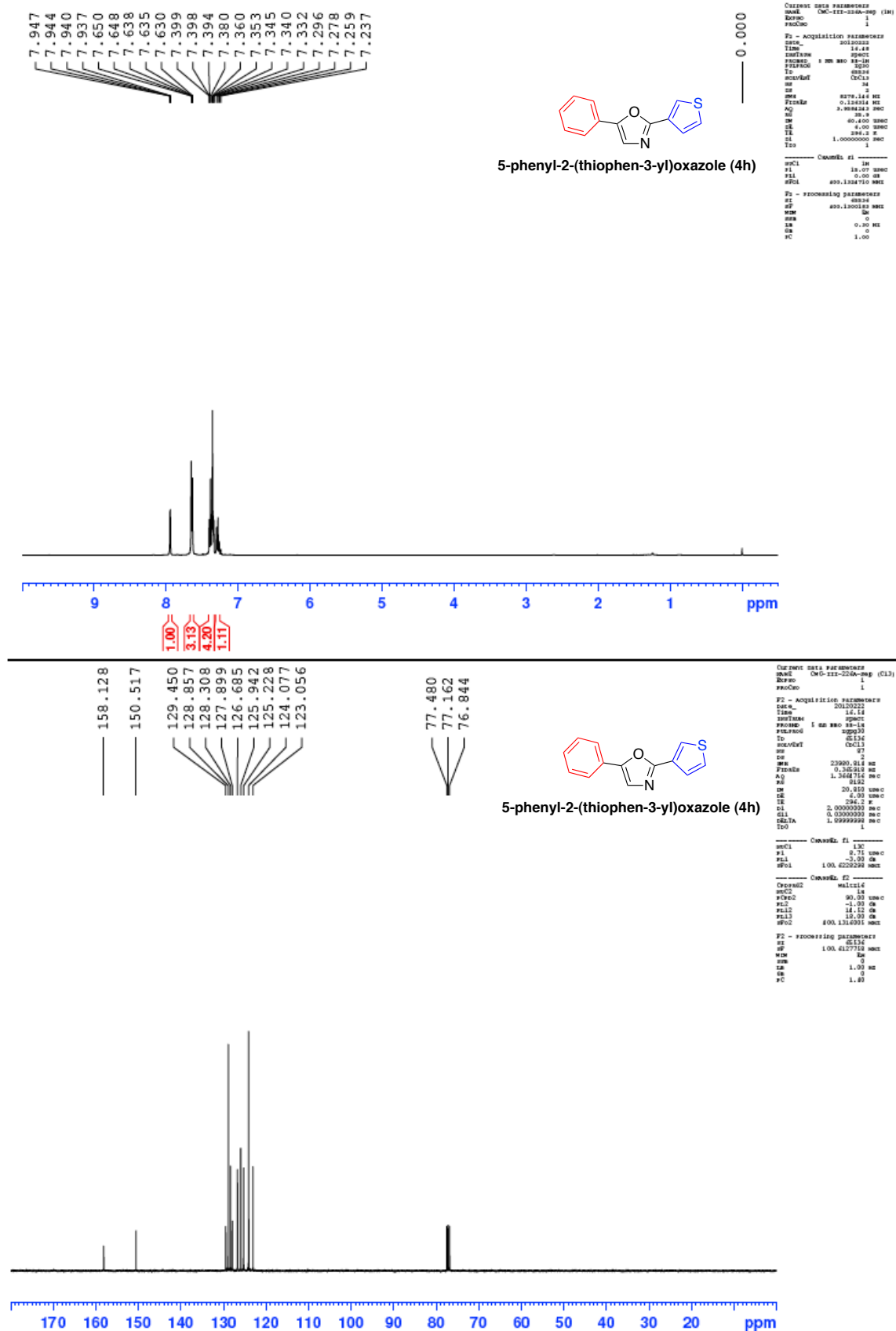


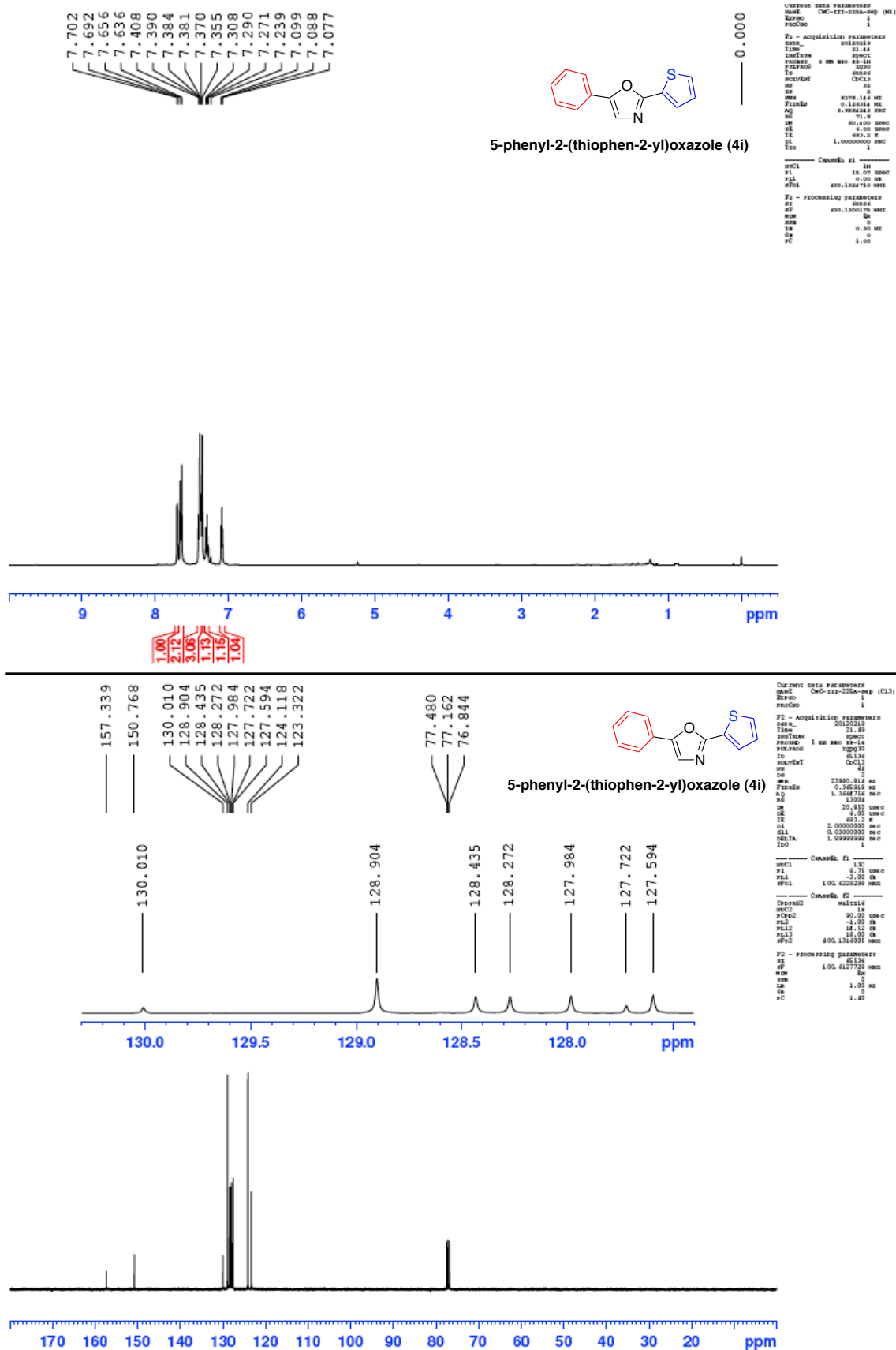


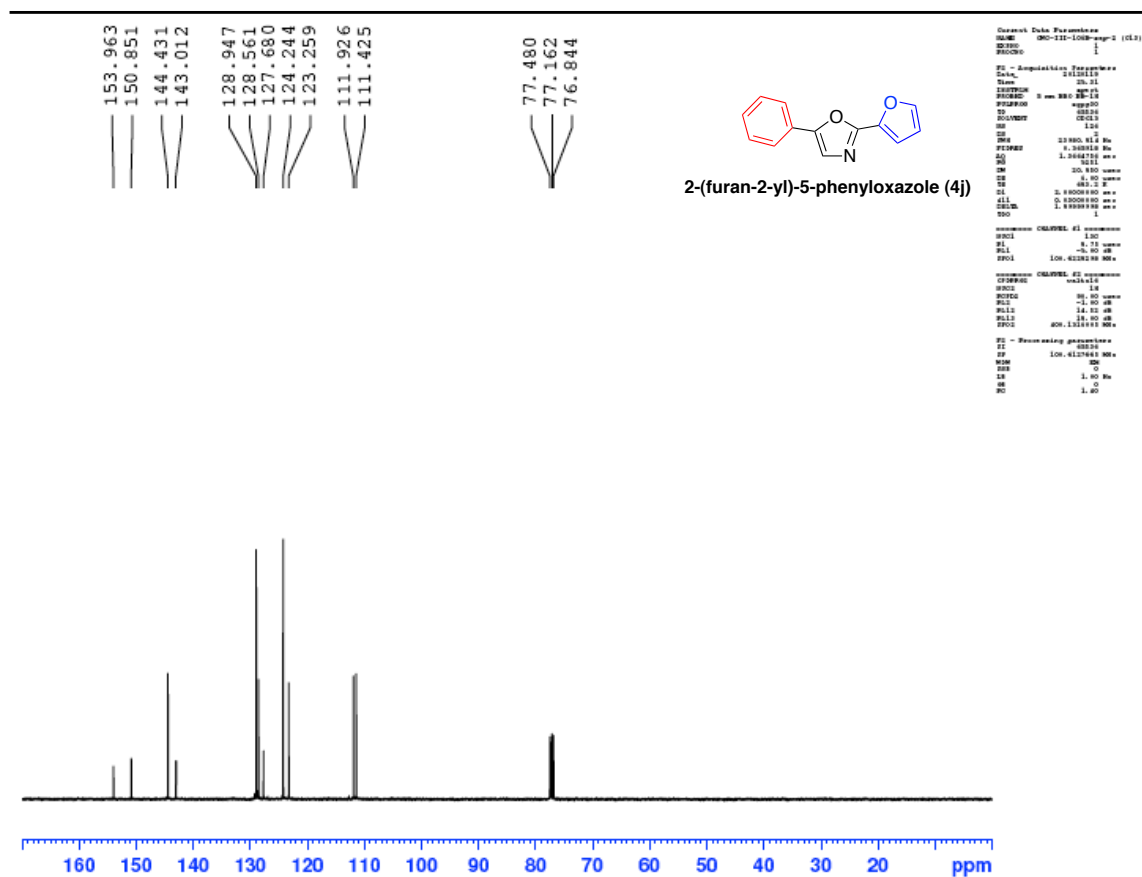
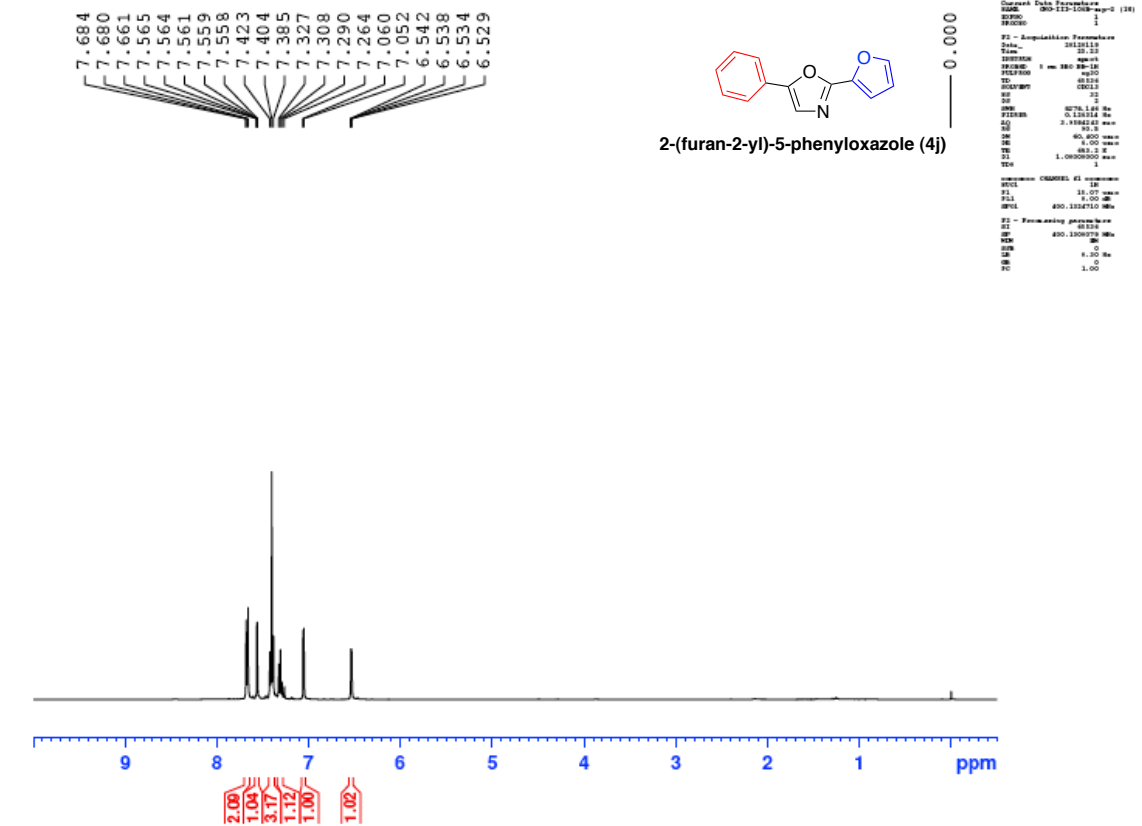


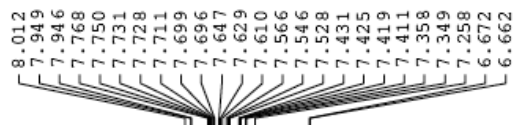




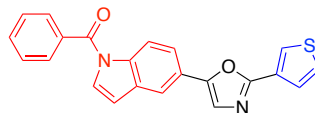




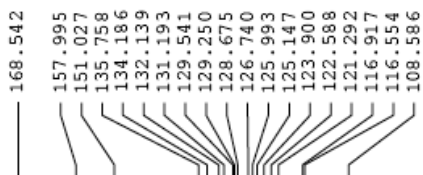
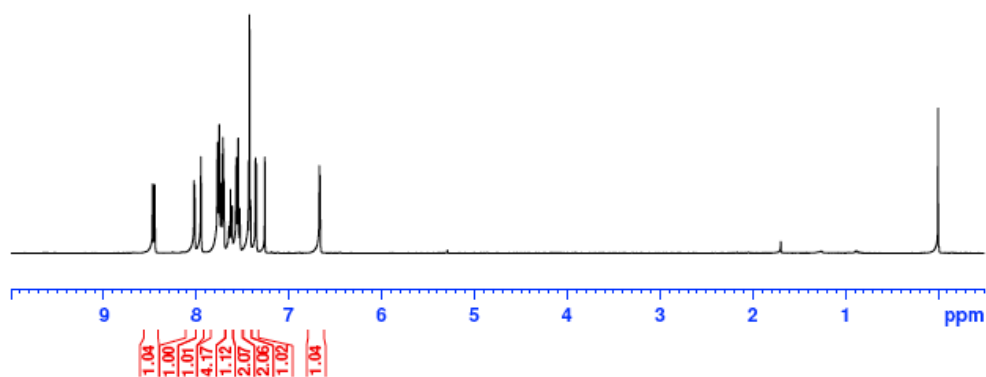




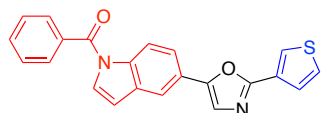
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