

## Supporting Information

# Double Isocyanide Cyclization: A Synthetic Strategy for Two-carbon Tethered Pyrrole/Oxazole Pairs

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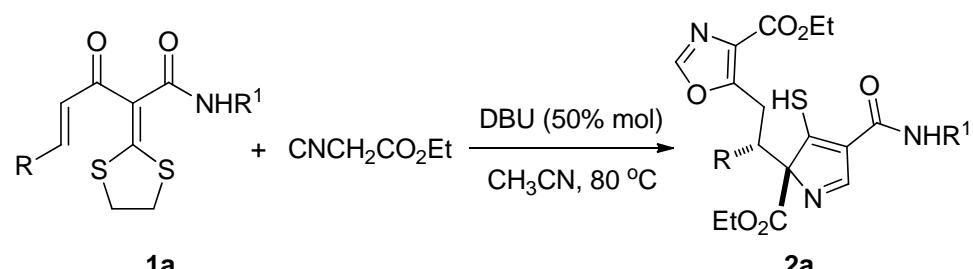
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## I. General

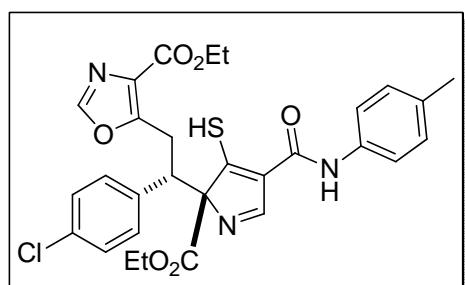
All reagents were purchased from commercial sources and used without treatment, unless otherwise indicated. The products were purified by column chromatography over silica gel.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra were recorded at 25°C on a Varian 500 MHz and 125 MHz, respectively, and TMS as internal standard.

High-resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were obtained using a Bruker microTOF II focus spectrometer (ESI). Melting points were uncorrected. The substrates, (*E*)-3-oxo-5-substituted -pent-4-enamides **1**, were prepared by the similar method as our previously reported papers<sup>1</sup>.

## II. Synthesis and analytical data of 2a–l

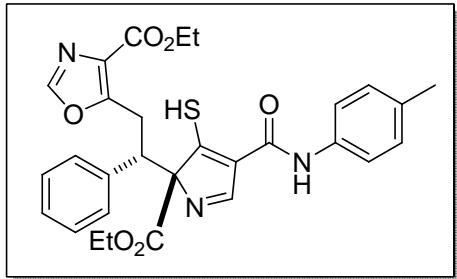


Typical procedure (**2a** as an example): To the mixture of **1a** (414 mg, 1.0 mmol) and ethyl isocyanoacetate (0.226 mL, 2.0 mmol) in CH<sub>3</sub>CN (5 mL) was added 1,8-diazabicyclo [5.4.0.]undec-7-ene (DBU) (0.076 mL, 0.5 mmol) in one portion at room temperature. The reaction mixture was heated to 80 °C and stirred for 5 h, then the substrate **1a** was consumed as indicated by TLC. The resulting mixture was cooled to room temperature and poured into ice-water (50 mL) under stirring. The precipitated solid was collected by filtration, washed with water (3 × 10 mL), and dried in vacuo to afford the crude product **2a**, which was purified by flash chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether : ethyl acetate = 2 : 3, V/V) to give **2a** (488 mg, 84 %).

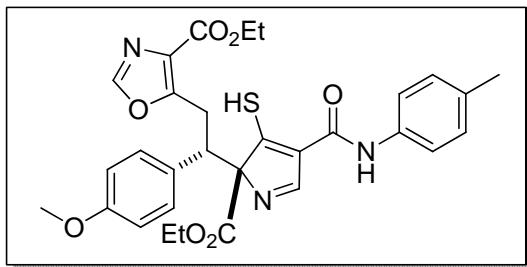


**2a**, yellow solid, m.p.140–142 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 500 Hz)  $\delta$  1.12 (t,  $J$  = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 1.33 (t,  $J$  = 7.5 Hz, 3H), 2.33 (s, 3H), 3.09 (dd,  $J$  = 16.0, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 3.53 (dd,  $J$  = 16.0, 12.0 Hz, 1H), 4.01–4.07 (m, 2H), 4.28–4.32 (m, 2H), 4.53 (dd,  $J$  = 12.0, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 7.14 (d,  $J$  = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.19 (d,  $J$  = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.31 (d,  $J$  = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.54 (d,  $J$  = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.60 (s, 1H), 8.21(br, 1H), 9.23 (s, 1H), 11.16 (s, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 125 Hz),  $\delta$  13.7, 14.2, 20.9, 24.4, 51.7, 61.3, 63.3, 90.9, 120.4, 126.0, 128.2, 128.7, 129.5, 130.8, 133.9, 134.1, 134.2, 135.2, 149.4, 156.0, 160.8, 161.6, 162.7, 169.8, 207.3. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for  $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{29}\text{ClN}_3\text{O}_6\text{S}^+ ([\text{M}+\text{H}]^+)$  582.1460. Found 582.1476.

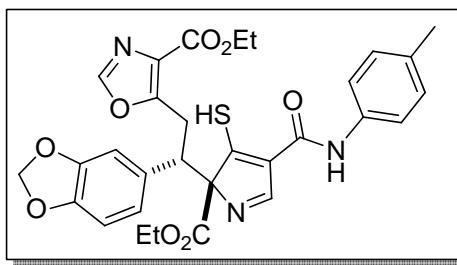
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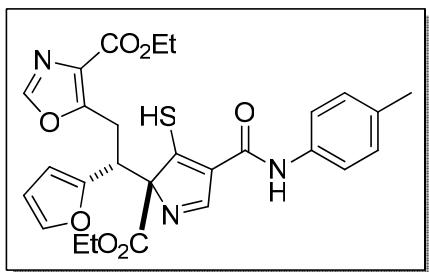
**2b**, yellow solid, m.p. 136–138 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 500 Hz)  $\delta$  1.10 (t,  $J$  = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 1.32 (t,  $J$  = 6.5 Hz, 3H), 2.32 (s, 3H), 3.08 (dd,  $J$  = 16.0, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 3.53 (dd,  $J$  = 16.0, 12.0 Hz, 1H), 4.00–4.04 (m, 2H), 4.29 (d,  $J$  = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 4.51 (dd,  $J$  = 12.0, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 7.00 (d,  $J$  = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 7.13 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.21 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.55 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 3H), 9.20 (s, 1H), 11.23 (s, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 125 Hz),  $\delta$  13.7, 14.2, 20.9, 24.3, 52.0, 61.2, 63.3, 91.2, 120.3, 126.6, 128.2, 128.8, 129.4, 129.5, 132.3, 133.7, 135.4, 138.3, 149.2, 156.4, 160.3, 161.8, 162.9, 168.9, 207.7.



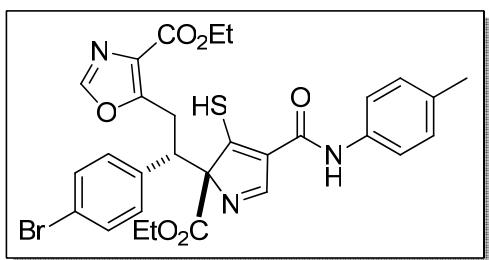
**2c**, yellow solid, m.p. 129–131 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 500 Hz)  $\delta$  1.13 (t,  $J$  = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 1.34 (t,  $J$  = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 2.33 (s, 3H), 3.07 (dd,  $J$  = 15.0, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 3.53 (dd,  $J$  = 15.0, 12.0 Hz, 1H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 4.03–4.06 (m, 2H), 4.29–4.32 (m, 2H), 4.50 (dd,  $J$  = 12.0, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 6.75 (d,  $J$  = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.14 (d,  $J$  = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.27 (d,  $J$  = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.56 (d,  $J$  = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.61 (s, 1H), 7.78 (br, 1H), 9.22 (s, 1H), 11.18 (s, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 125 Hz),  $\delta$  13.7, 14.2, 20.9, 24.3, 51.7, 55.1, 61.2, 63.3, 91.3, 114.1, 120.3, 126.6, 127.2, 128.3, 129.4, 130.1, 133.7, 135.4, 149.2, 156.4, 159.4, 160.3, 161.8, 162.8, 168.8, 207.8. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for  $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{29}\text{N}_3\text{O}_6\text{S}^-$  ([M-H]<sup>-</sup>) 576.1798. Found 576.1796.



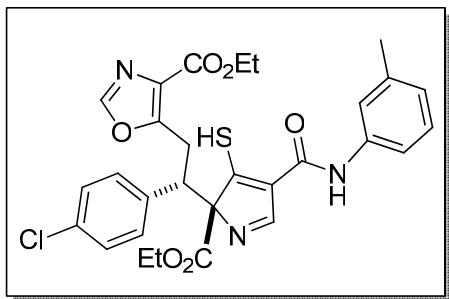
**2d**, yellow solid, m.p. 148–150 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 500 Hz)  $\delta$  1.16 (t,  $J$  = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 1.33 (t,  $J$  = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 2.32 (s, 3H), 3.04 (dd,  $J$  = 15.0, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 3.48 (dd,  $J$  = 15.0, 11.5 Hz, 1H), 3.46–3.51 (m, 2H), 4.29–4.33 (m, 2H), 4.45 (dd,  $J$  = 11.5, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 5.88 (d,  $J$  = 4.5 Hz, 2H), 6.62 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.80 (d,  $J$  = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 6.84 (s, 1H), 7.13 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.55 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.63 (s, 1H), 8.25 (br, 1H), 9.19 (s, 1H), 11.20 (s, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 125 Hz),  $\delta$  13.7, 14.2, 20.9, 24.4, 52.1, 61.2, 63.3, 91.2, 101.3, 108.3, 109.1, 120.3, 122.7, 126.5, 128.3, 128.9, 129.4, 133.7, 135.4, 147.5, 147.8, 149.3, 156.3, 160.3, 161.7, 162.9, 169.1, 207.5.



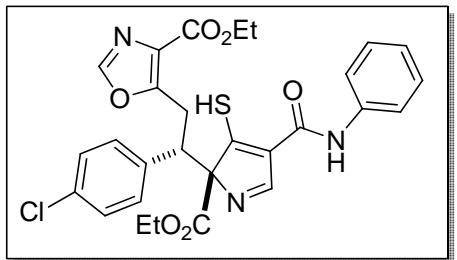
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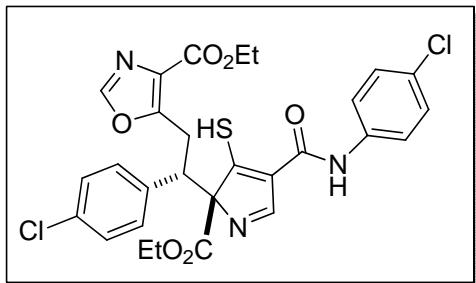
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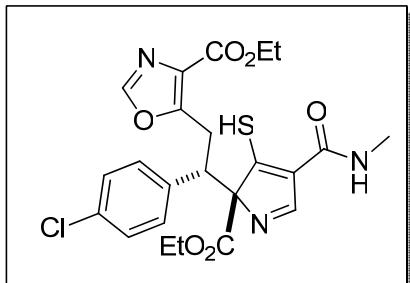
**2g**, yellow solid, m.p. 131–133 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 500 Hz)  $\delta$  1.13 (t,  $J$  = 7.5 Hz, 3H), 1.34 (t,  $J$  = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 3.09 (dd,  $J$  = 15.0, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 3.54 (dd,  $J$  = 15.0, 12.0 Hz, 1H), 4.02–4.07 (m, 2H), 4.29–4.33 (m, 2H), 4.53 (dd,  $J$  = 12.0, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 6.93 (d,  $J$  = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.22 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 3H), 7.32 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.48 (s, 1H), 7.49 (d,  $J$  = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (s, 1H), 7.88 (s, 1H), 8.22 (br, 1H), 9.23 (s, 1H), 11.13 (s, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 125 Hz),  $\delta$  13.7, 14.2, 21.5, 24.1, 51.7, 61.3, 63.5, 90.7, 117.4, 120.9, 125.0, 126.9, 128.5, 129.1, 130.4, 134.0, 134.6, 137.8, 138.8, 149.3, 155.9, 160.1, 161.8, 162.6, 169.1, 207.8. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for  $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{29}\text{ClN}_3\text{O}_6\text{S}^+ ([\text{M}+\text{H}]^+)$  582.1460. Found 582.1463.



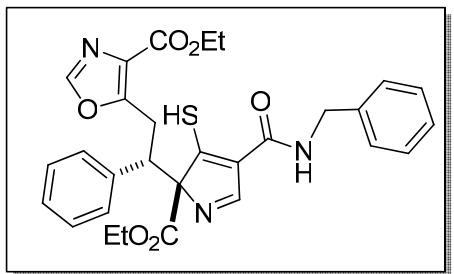
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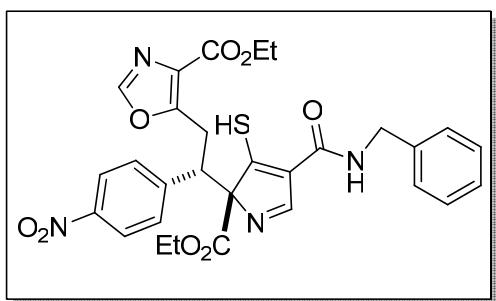
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**2j**, yellow solid, m.p. 190–192 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 500 Hz)  $\delta$  1.11 (t,  $J$  = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 1.37 (t,  $J$  = 7.5 Hz, 3H), 2.87 (d,  $J$  = 5.0 Hz, 3H), 3.02 (dd,  $J$  = 15.0, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 3.51 (dd,  $J$  = 15.0, 12.0 Hz, 1H), 3.98–4.05 (m, 2H), 4.28–4.35 (m, 2H), 4.49 (dd,  $J$  = 12.0, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (d,  $J$  = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.32 (d,  $J$  = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.60 (s, 1H), 8.69 (br, 1H), 9.14 (d,  $J$  = 5.0 Hz, 1H), 9.19 (s, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 125 Hz),  $\delta$  13.7, 14.2, 24.2, 25.4, 51.6, 61.3, 63.3, 90.6, 126.3, 128.3, 128.8, 130.7, 134.2, 134.3, 149.4, 156.1, 161.7, 162.7, 163.3, 169.4. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for  $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{25}\text{ClN}_3\text{O}_6\text{S}^+ ([\text{M}+\text{H}]^+)$  506.1147. Found 506.1149.

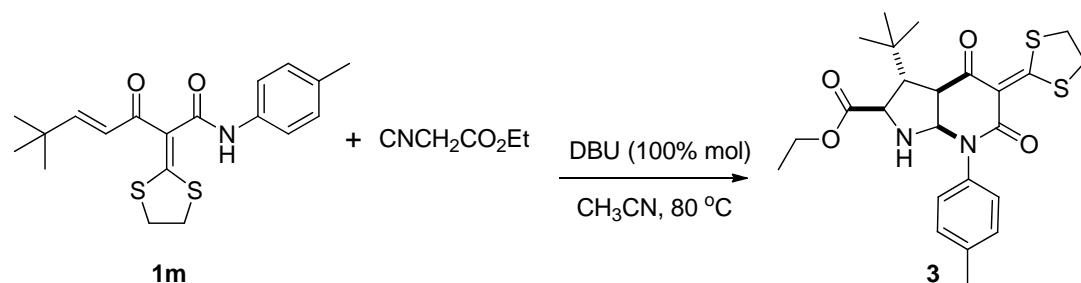


**2k**, yellow solid, m.p. 126–128°C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 500 Hz)  $\delta$  1.06 (t,  $J$  = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 1.34 (t,  $J$  = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 3.05 (dd,  $J$  = 15.0, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 3.54 (dd,  $J$  = 15.0, 12.0 Hz, 1H), 3.92–4.04 (m, 2H), 4.27–4.34 (m, 2H), 4.50 (dd,  $J$  = 12.5, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 4.54–4.66 (m, 2H), 7.18–7.19 (m, 3H), 7.24–7.27 (m, 1H), 7.31–7.38 (m, 6H), 7.54 (s, 1H), 8.21(br, 1H), 9.15 (s, 1H), 9.61 (s, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 125 Hz),  $\delta$  13.7, 14.3, 24.3, 42.9, 52.4, 61.1, 63.2, 90.8, 126.4, 127.2, 127.6, 128.3, 128.5, 128.6, 128.7, 129.0, 135.6, 138.3, 149.2, 156.3, 161.7, 162.6, 162.8, 168.9, 208.3. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for  $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{30}\text{N}_3\text{O}_6\text{S}^+$  ( $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ ) 548.1849. Found 548.1845.

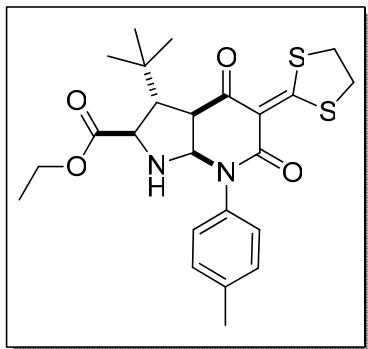


**2l**, yellow solid, m.p. 154–156°C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 500 Hz)  $\delta$  1.10 (t,  $J$  = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 1.35 (t,  $J$  = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 3.08 (dd,  $J$  = 15.0, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 3.61 (dd,  $J$  = 15.0, 12.0 Hz, 1H), 3.99–4.03 (m, 2H), 4.31–4.36 (m, 2H), 4.58–4.65 (m, 3H), 7.34–7.36 (m, 4H), 7.58 (d,  $J$  = 8.5, 2H), 7.59 (s, 1H), 7.90 (br, 1H), 8.09 (d,  $J$  = 8.5, 2H), 9.23 (s, 1H), 9.49 (s, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 125 Hz),  $\delta$  13.7, 14.2, 24.3, 43.0, 52.0, 61.4, 63.6, 90.0, 123.6, 126.3, 127.4, 127.5, 128.6, 128.7, 130.5, 138.0, 143.4, 147.7, 149.5, 155.5, 161.7, 162.5, 162.6, 170.0, 208.2. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for  $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{29}\text{N}_4\text{O}_8\text{S}^+$  ( $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ ) 593.1700. Found 593.1701.

### III. Synthesis and analytical data of 3

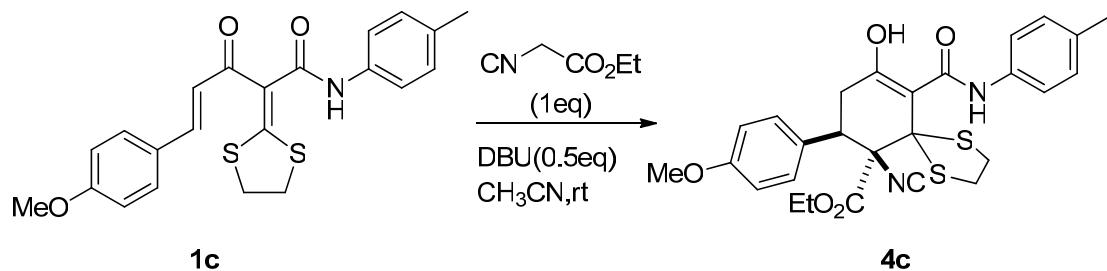


To the mixture of **1m** (361 mg, 1.0 mmol) and ethyl isocyanoacetate (0.136 mL, 1.2 mmol) in  $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$  (5 mL) was added DBU (0.152 mL, 1.0 mmol) in one portion at room temperature. The reaction mixture was heated to 80 °C and stirred for 7 h, the substrate **1m** was consumed as indicated by TLC. Then the resulting mixture was cooled to room temperature and poured into ice-water (50 mL) under stirring. The precipitated solid was collected by filtration, washed with water ( $3 \times 10$  mL), and dried in vacuo to afford the crude product **3**, which was purified by flash chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether : ethyl acetate = 2 : 1, V/V) to give **3** (290 mg, 61 %).

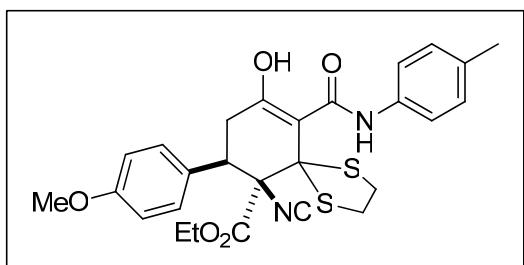


**3**, white solid, m.p. 286–288 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 500 Hz)  $\delta$  0.99 (s, 9H), 1.23 (t,  $J$  = 7.5 Hz, 3H), 2.37 (s, 3H), 2.94 (dd,  $J$  = 6.0, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 3.06 (dd,  $J$  = 6.0, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 3.22–3.41 (m, 4H), 3.53 (d,  $J$  = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 4.11–4.16 (m, 2H), 4.82 (d,  $J$  = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 7.23–7.27 (m, 4H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 125 Hz),  $\delta$  14.0, 21.1, 27.9, 32.8, 37.0, 37.4, 49.8, 54.3, 58.5, 61.3, 74.8, 114.8, 127.2, 130.0, 137.3, 139.2, 163.5, 173.2, 185.5, 190.7. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for  $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{31}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4\text{S}_2^+$  ( $[\text{M}+\text{H}^+]^+$ ) 475.1719. Found 475.1714.

#### IV. Preparation of intermediate **4c**

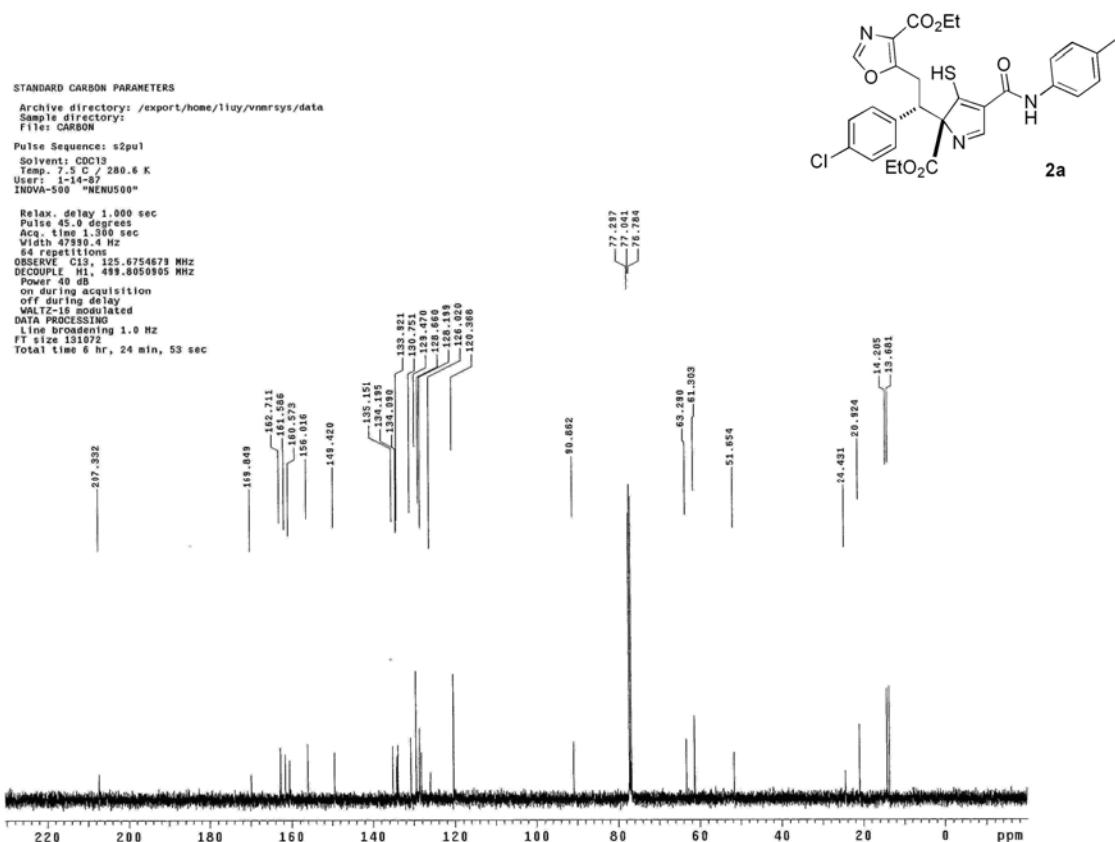
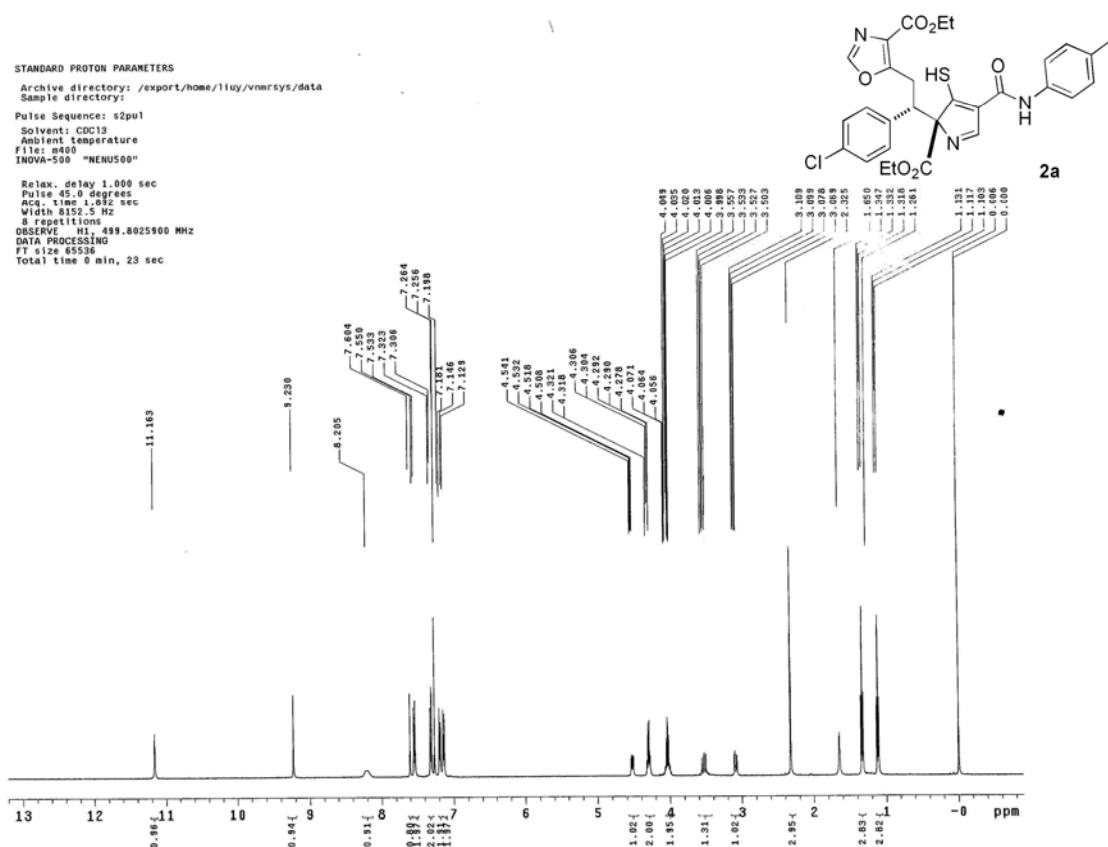


To the mixture of **1c** (411 mg, 1.0 mmol) and ethyl isocyanoacetate (0.113 mL, 1.0 mmol) in  $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$  (5 mL) was added DBU (0.076 mL, 0.5 mmol) in one portion at room temperature. Then stirred for about 1 h, the substrate **1c** was not consumed as indicated by TLC, quenching the reaction. Then the resulting mixture was poured into saturated aqueous  $\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$  solution (50 mL) under stirring. The precipitated solid was collected by filtration, washed with water ( $3 \times 10$  mL), and dried in vacuo to afford the crude product **4c**, which was purified by flash chromatography (silica gel, petroleum ether : ethyl acetate = 2 : 1, V/V) to give **4c** (162 mg, 31 %).

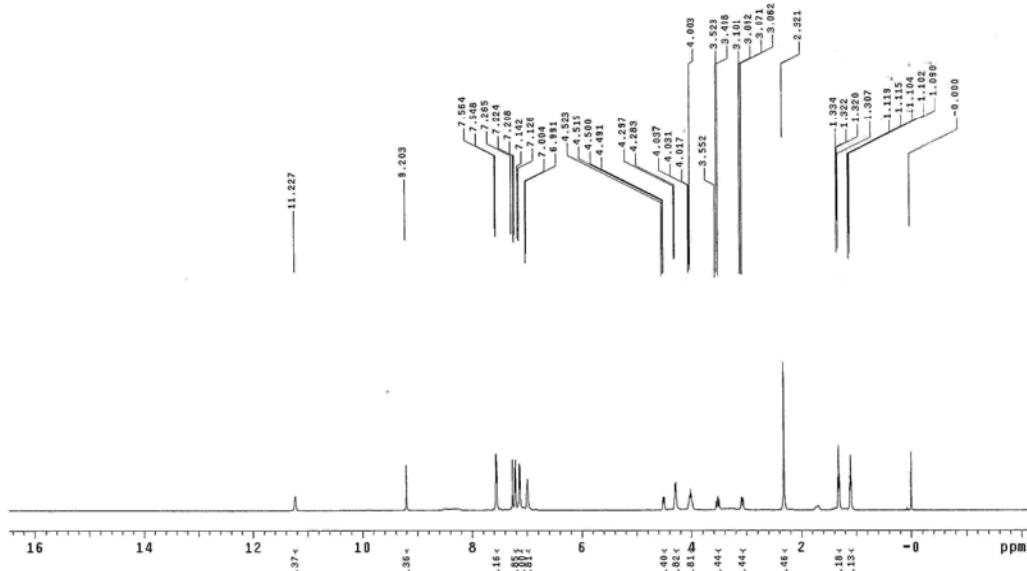
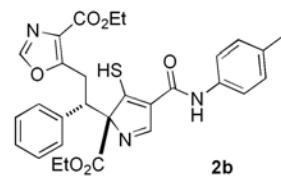


**4c**, yellowish solid.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 500 Hz)  $\delta$  0.92 (t,  $J$  = 7.5 Hz, 3H), 2.34 (s, 3H), 2.69 (dd,  $J$  = 19.0, 6.0 Hz, 1H), 3.03 (dd,  $J$  = 19.0, 12.0 Hz, 1H), 3.26–3.28 (m, 1H), 3.46–3.49 (m, 3H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.89–3.97 (m, 3H), 6.86 (d,  $J$  = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.17 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.36–7.38 (m, 4H), 9.53 (s, 1H), 14.63 (s, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 125 Hz),  $\delta$  13.5, 20.9, 34.4, 41.5, 41.7, 42.9, 55.3, 62.9, 74.6, 78.0, 99.4, 113.8, 121.0, 128.6, 129.7, 129.9, 134.2, 134.7, 159.6, 164.6, 164.9, 169.3, 171.0.

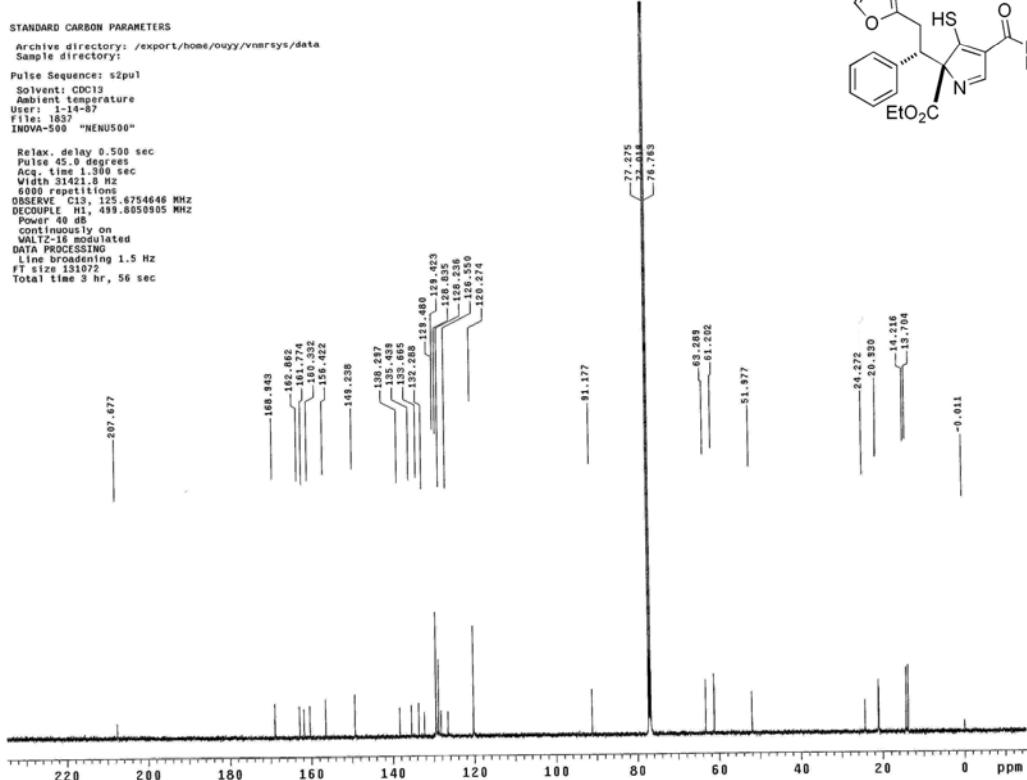
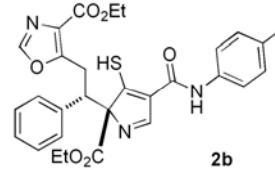
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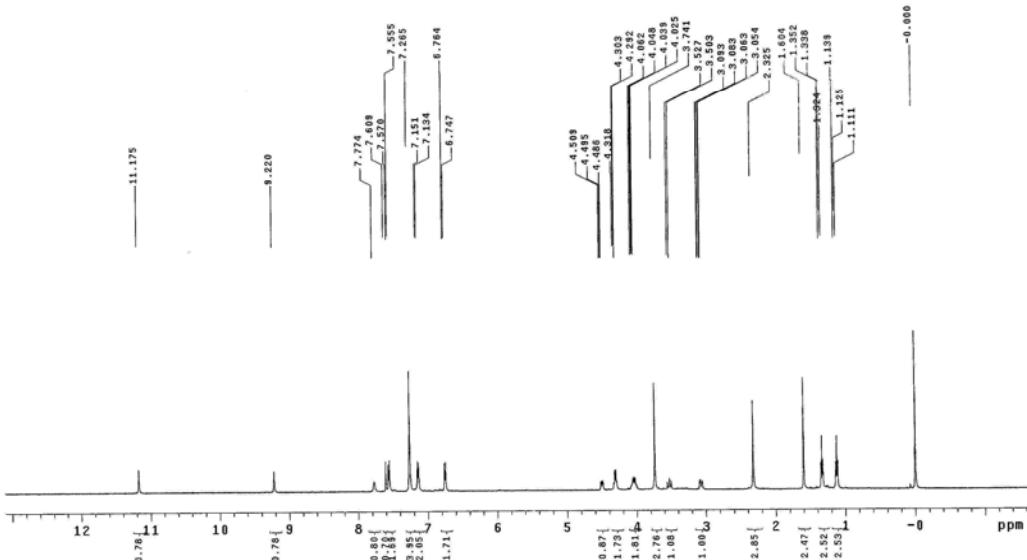
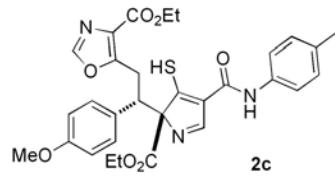
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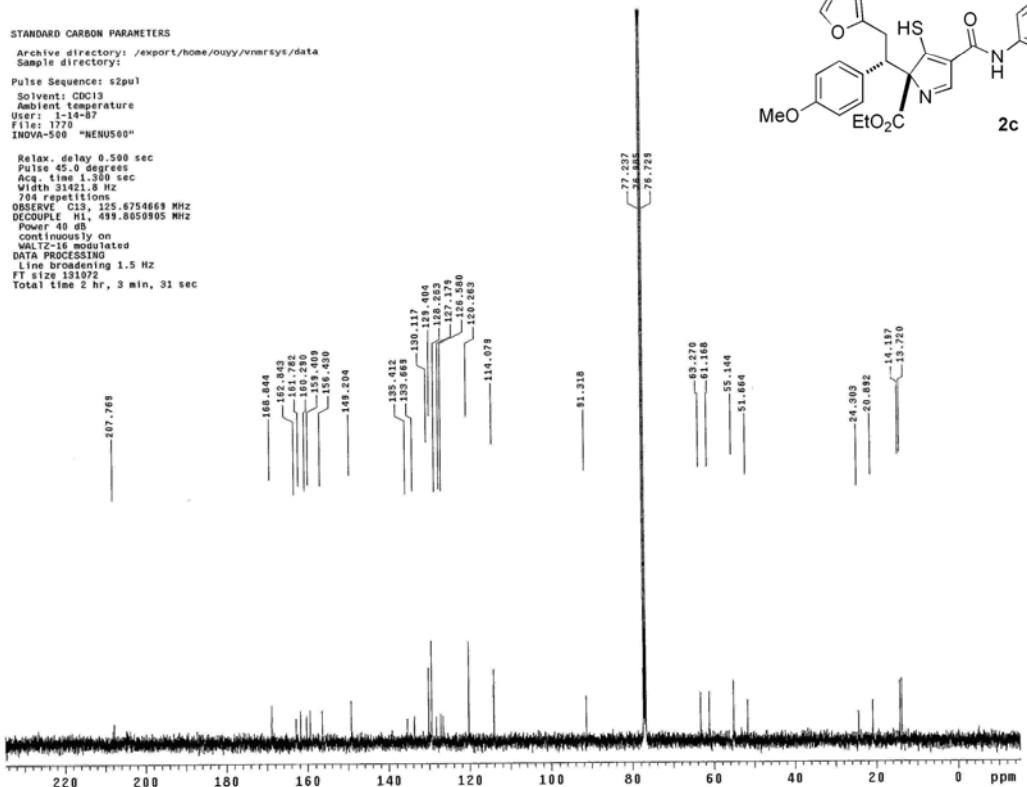
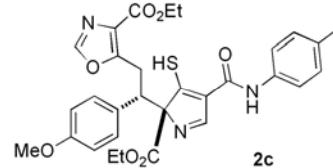
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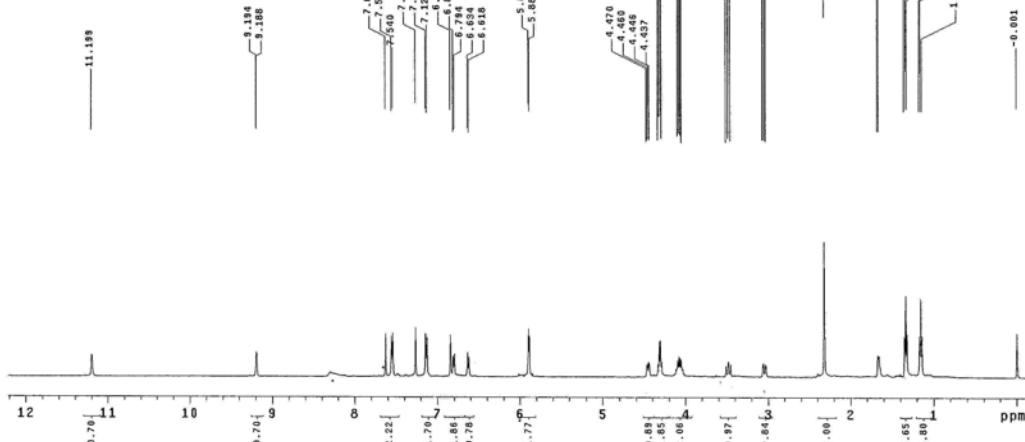
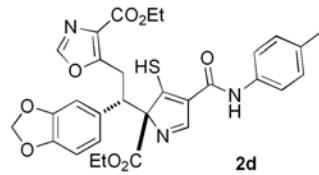
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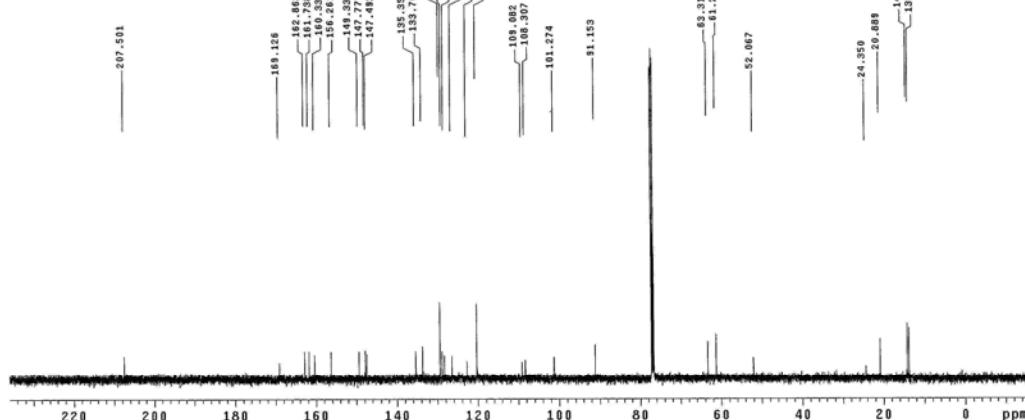
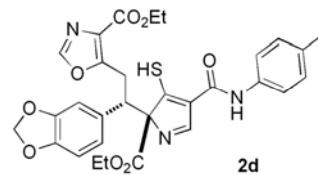
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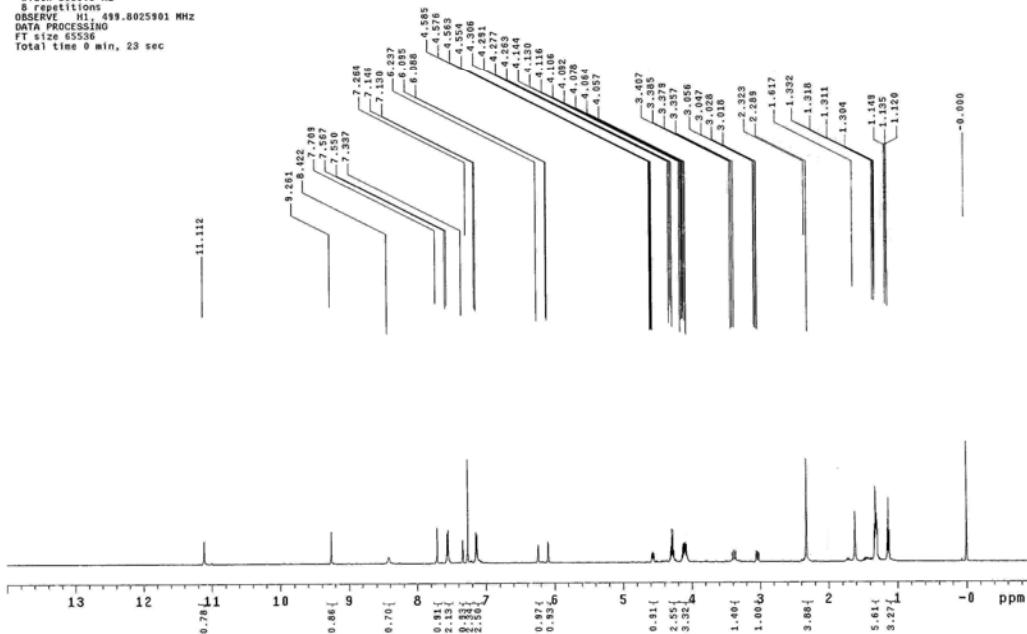
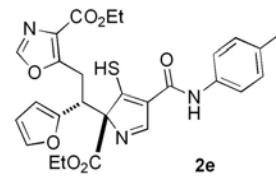
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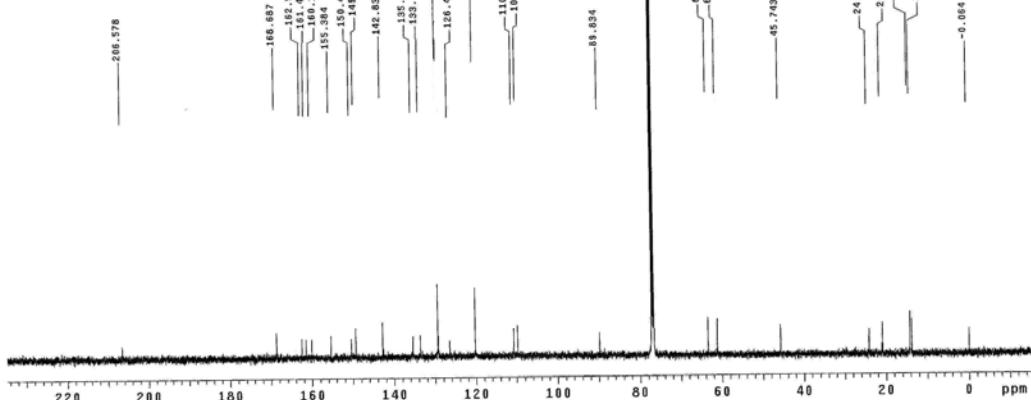
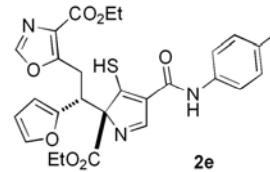
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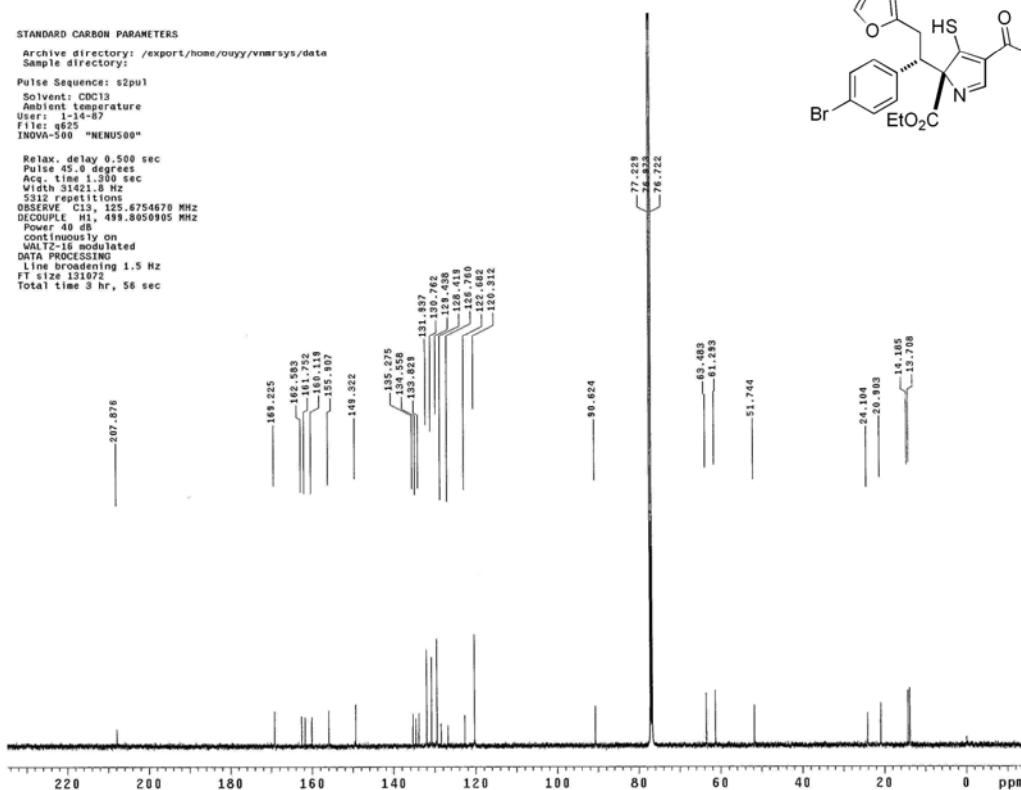
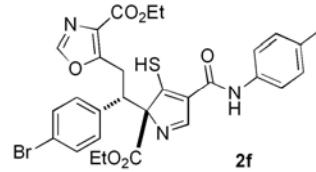
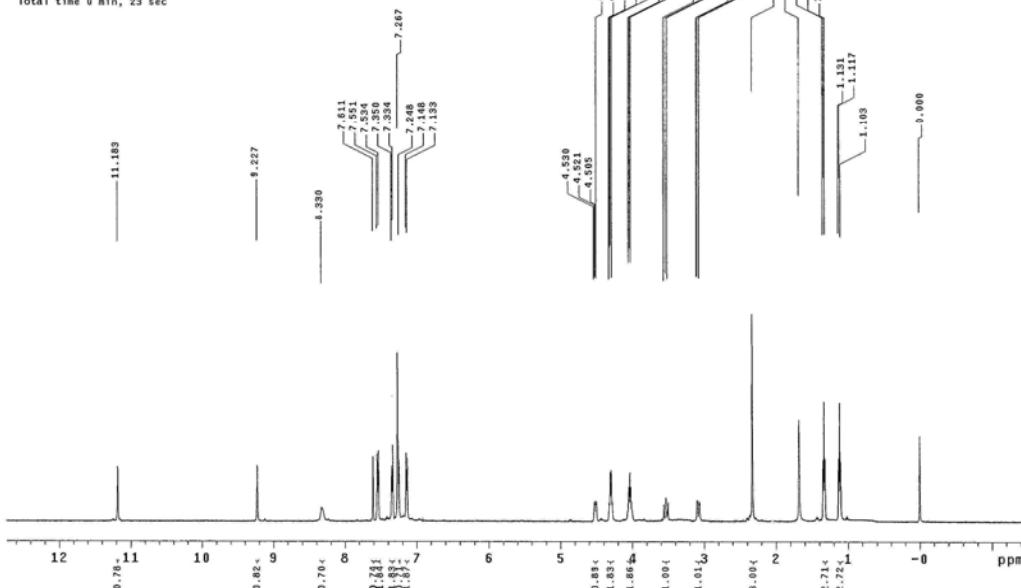
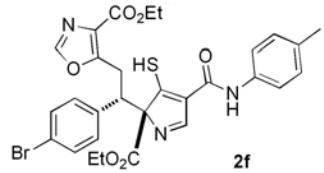
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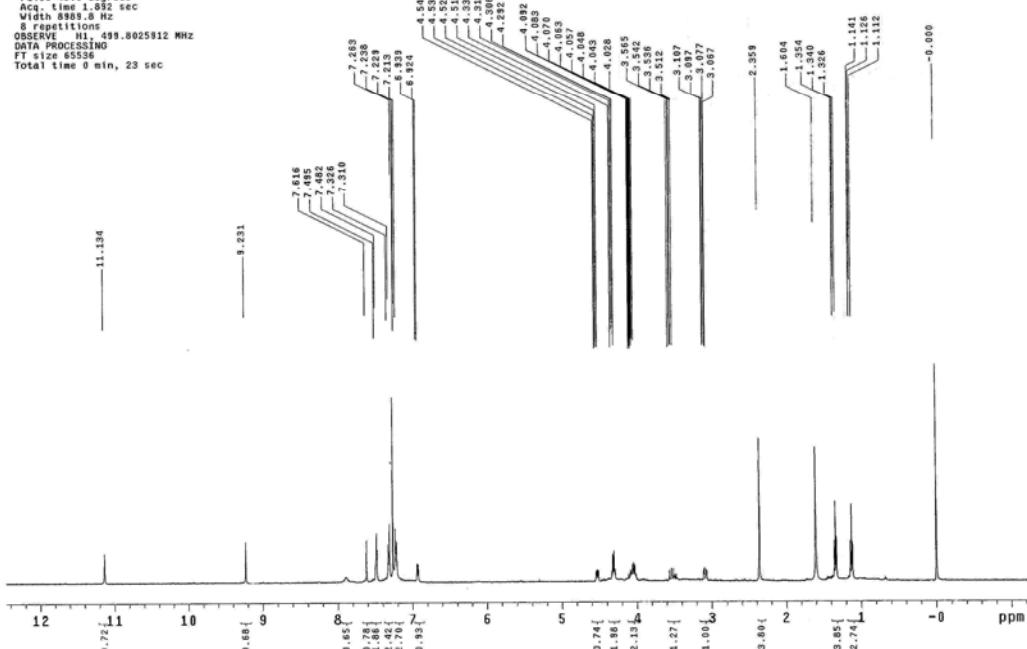
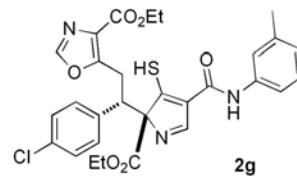
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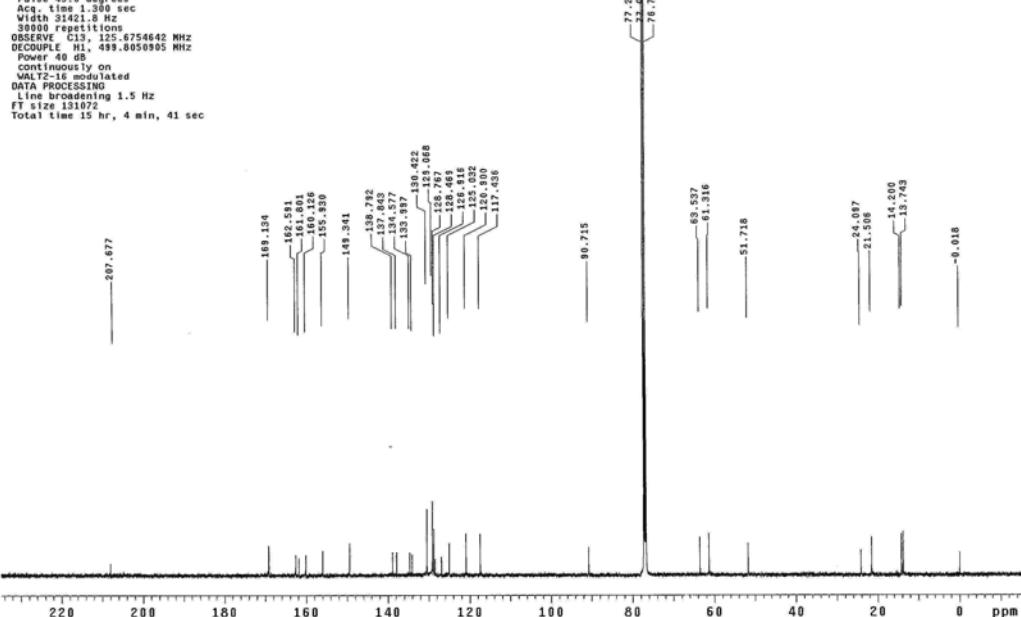
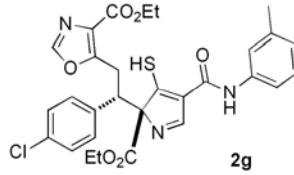
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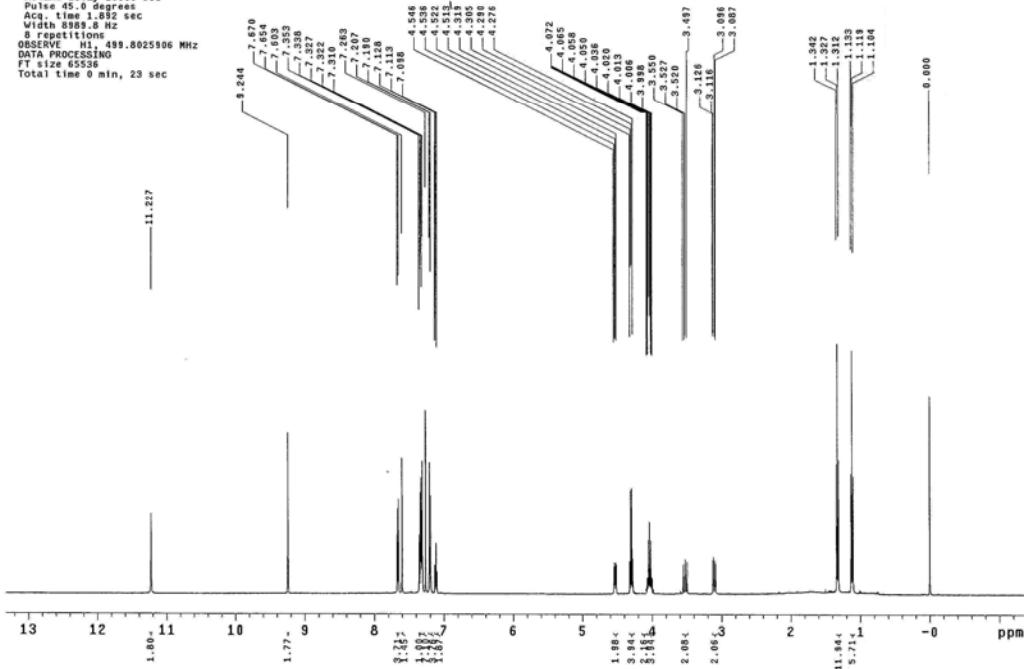
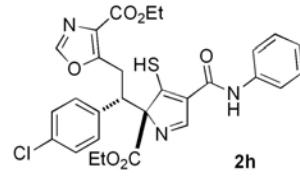
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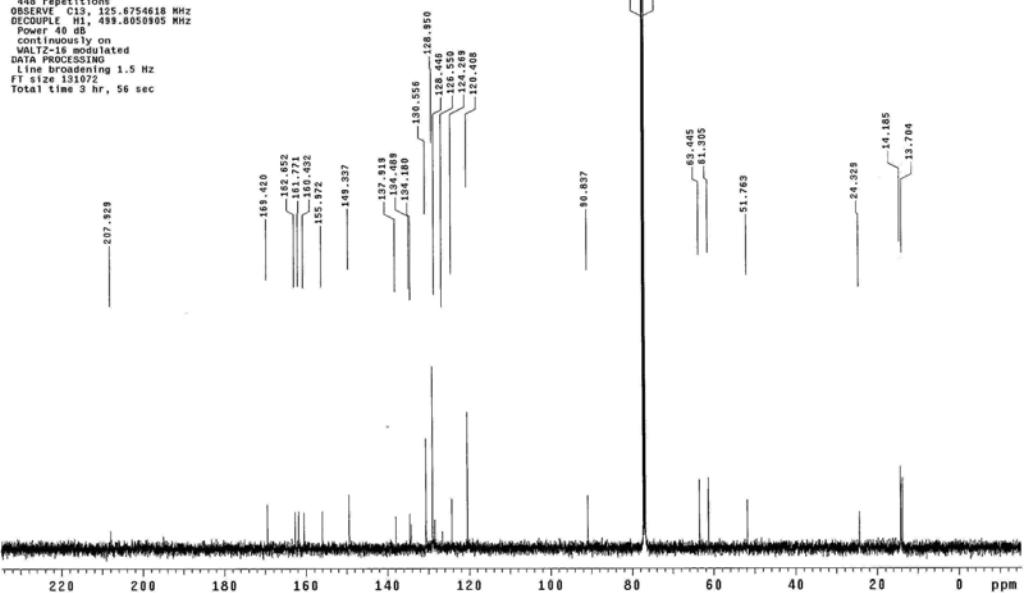
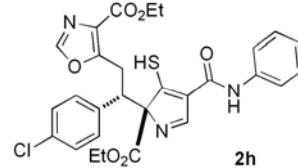
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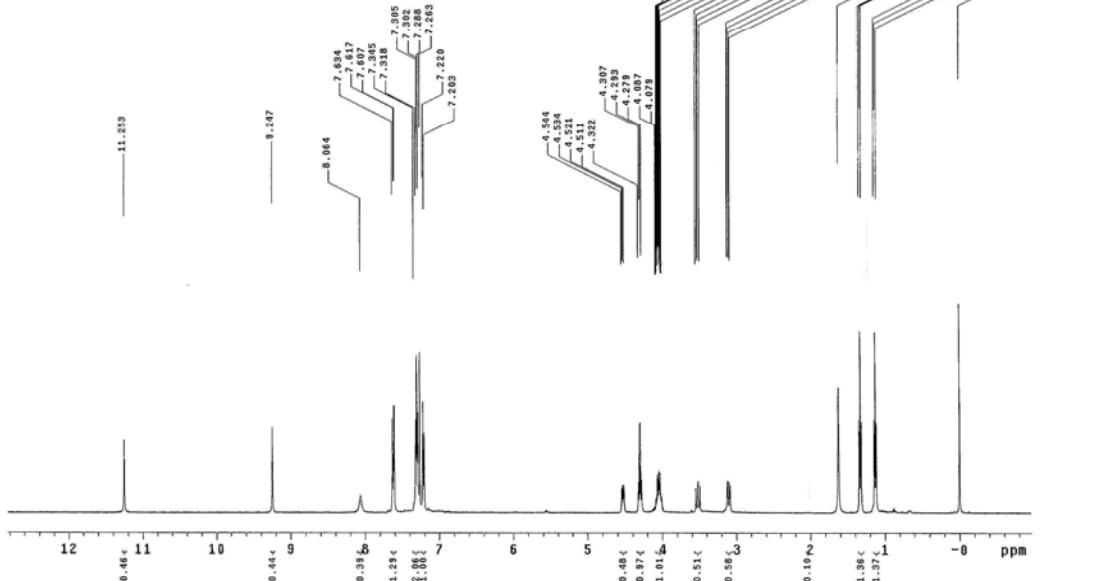
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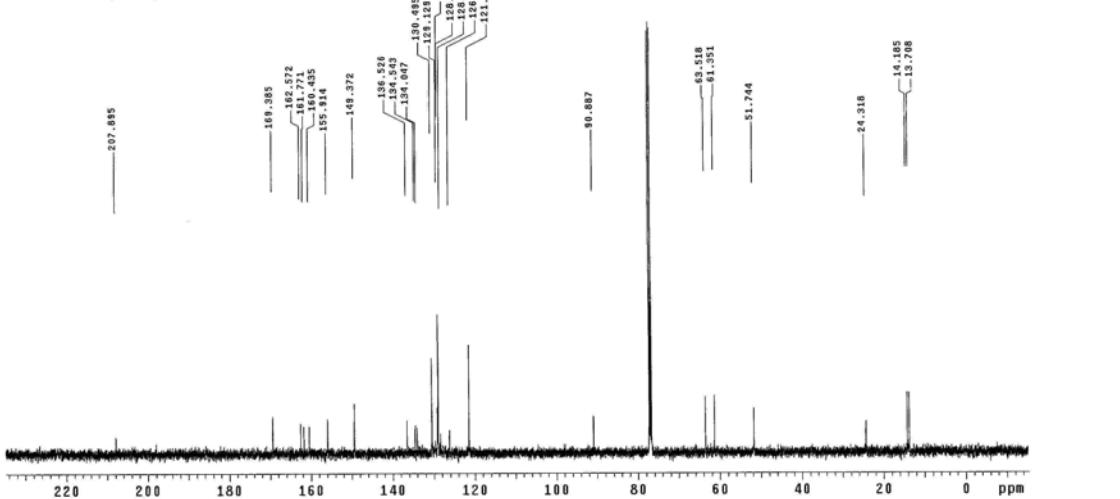
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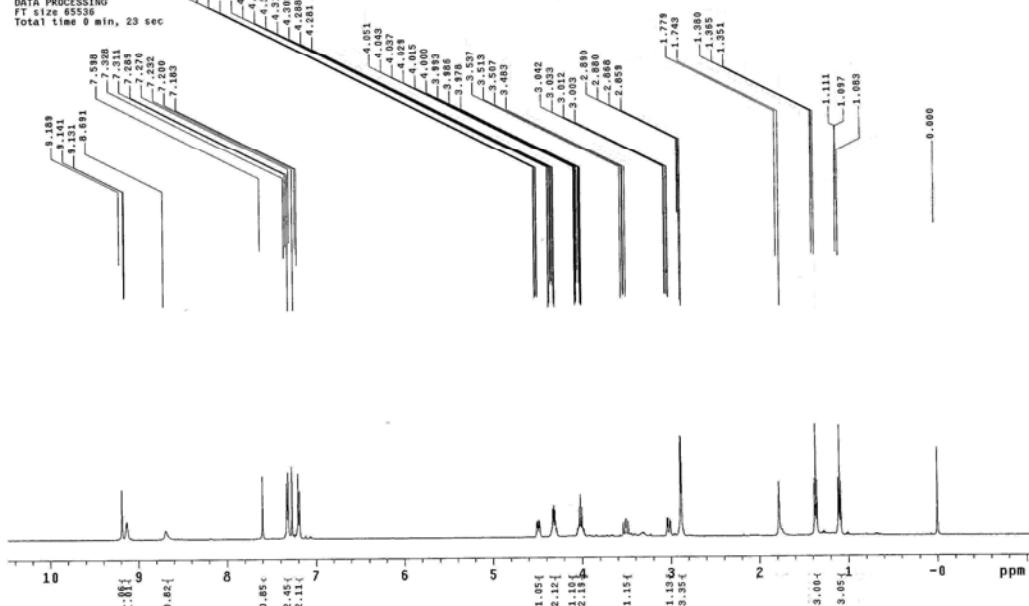
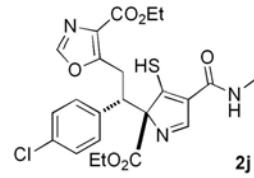
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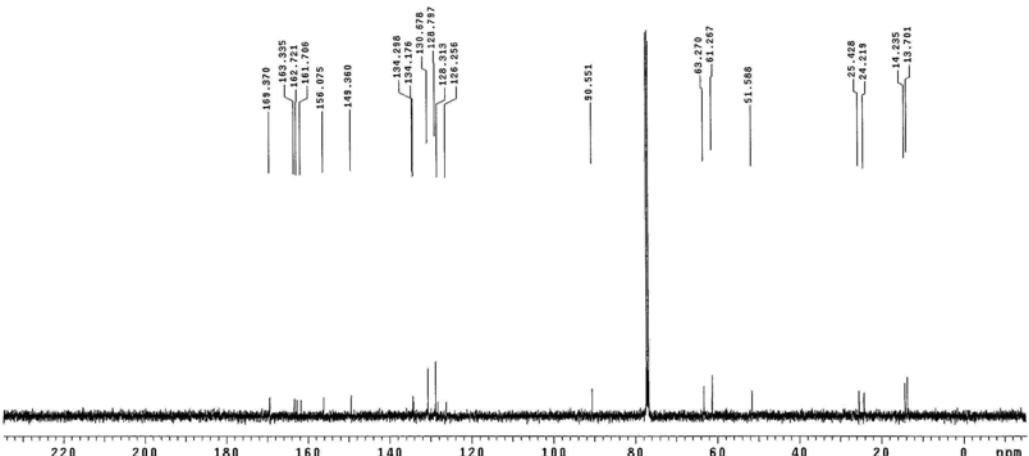
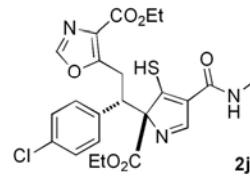
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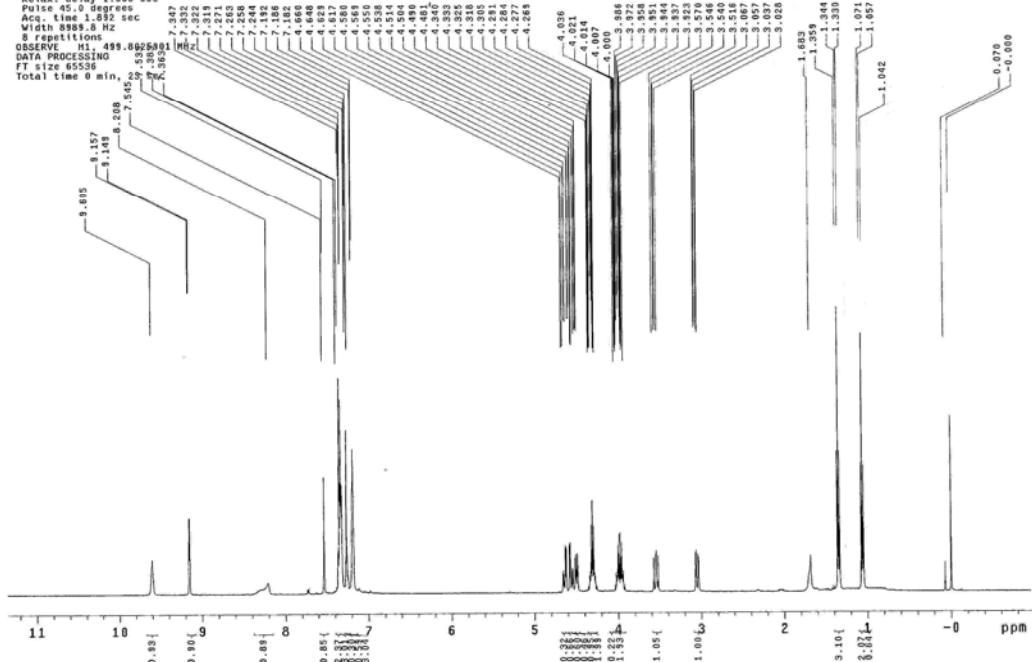
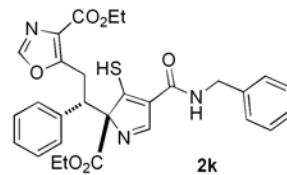


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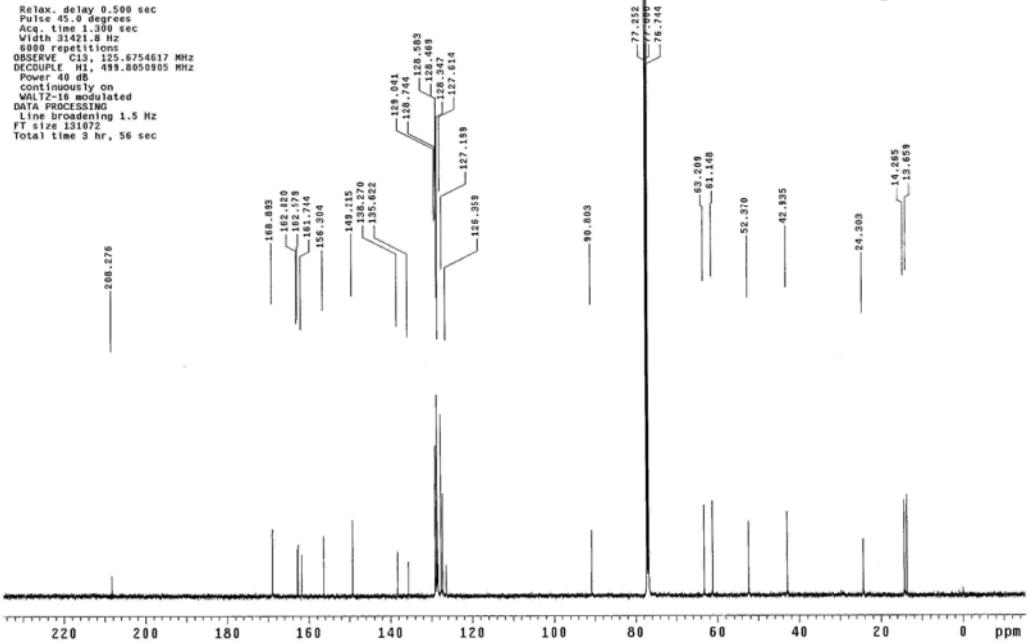
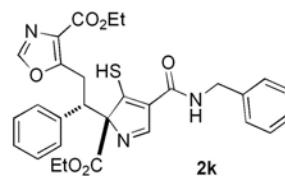
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File: n582
INNOVA-500 "NENUDS00"

Relax. delay 0.500 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Aca. time 1.300 sec
V0 with 1421.1 Hz
6000 refraction
OBSERVE C13, 125.675400 MHz
DECUCPL 41, 499.050805 MHz
40 Hz
continuously on
WALTZ-16 modulated
DABCON 1000
Line broadening 1.5 Hz
FT size 131072

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STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

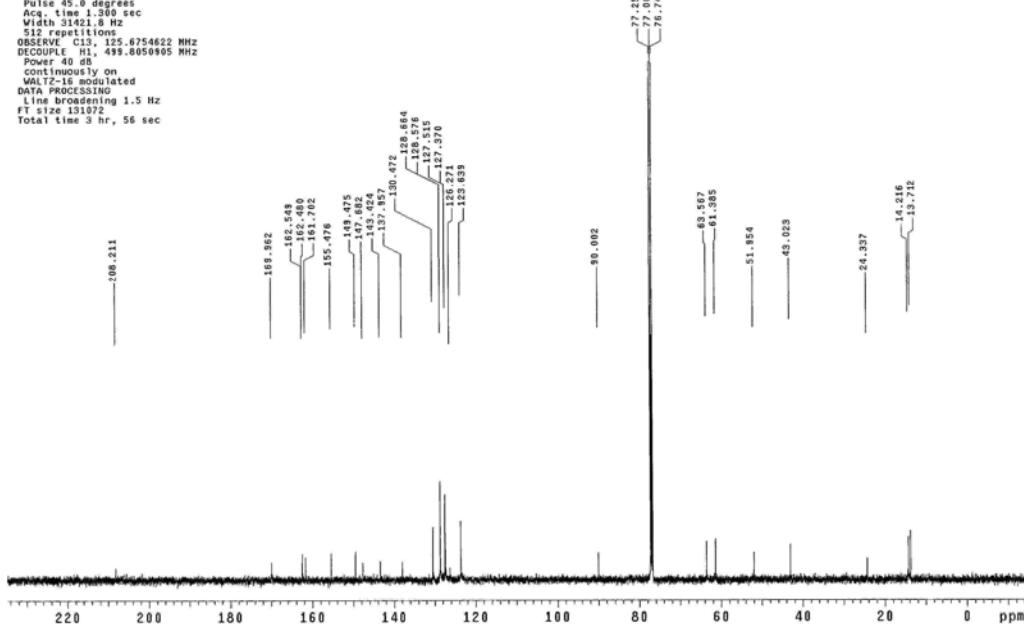
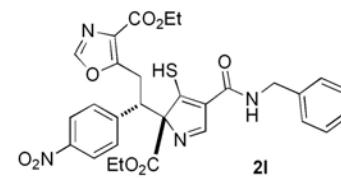
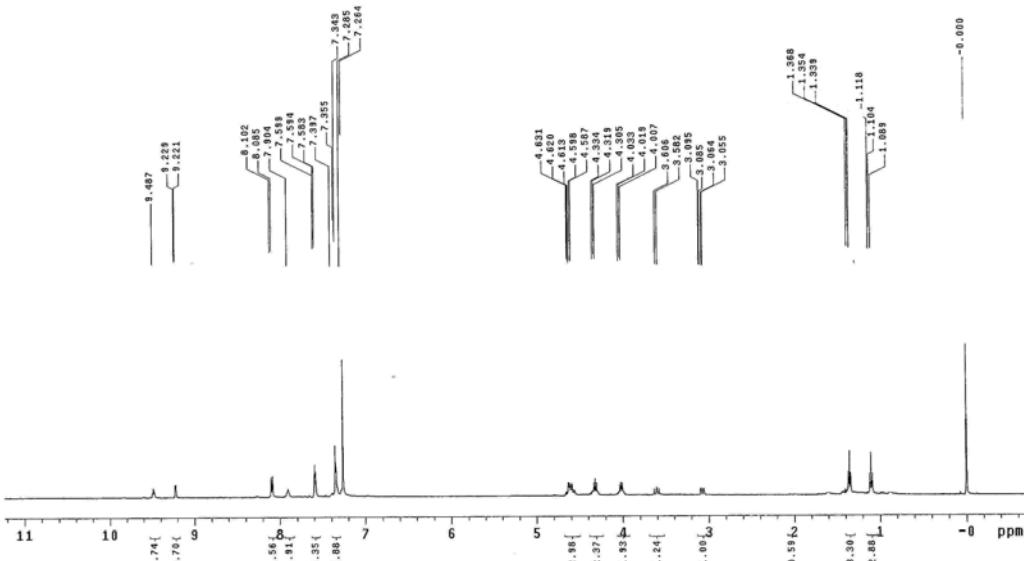
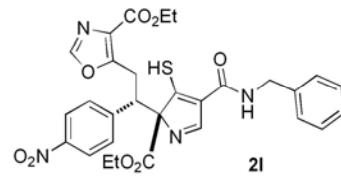
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Pulse Sequence: zg2pl

Solvent: CDCl3
Ambient Temperature
File #: 5706
INNOVA-500 "HENRUSO"

Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse: 90 deg
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Width 898.8 Hz
B repetition
0.000000, 499.8025912 MHz
DATA PROCESSING
FT size 65536
Total time 0 min, 23 sec

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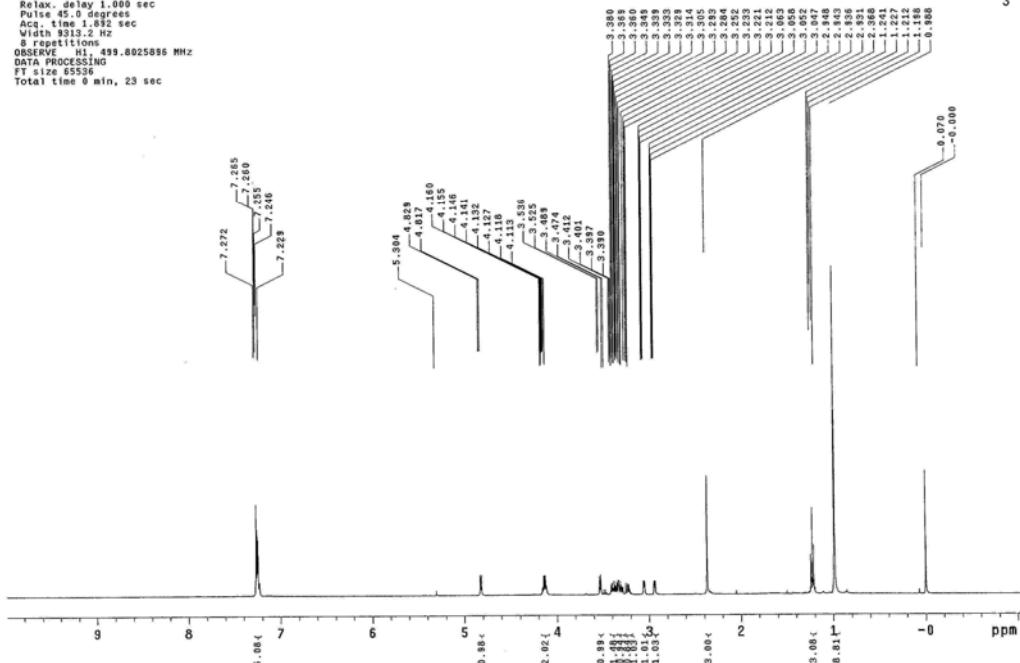
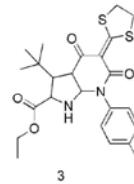
STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

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Save directory: 

Pulse Sequence: sp1pul
Solvent: CDCl3
Ambient temperature
File: 1584
INOVA-500 "HENNA500"

Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acc. time 0.02 sec
Width 8313.2 Hz
8 repetitions
OBSERVE H1, 499.8025856 MHz
PROCESSING
FT size 65536
Total time 0 min, 23 sec

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STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

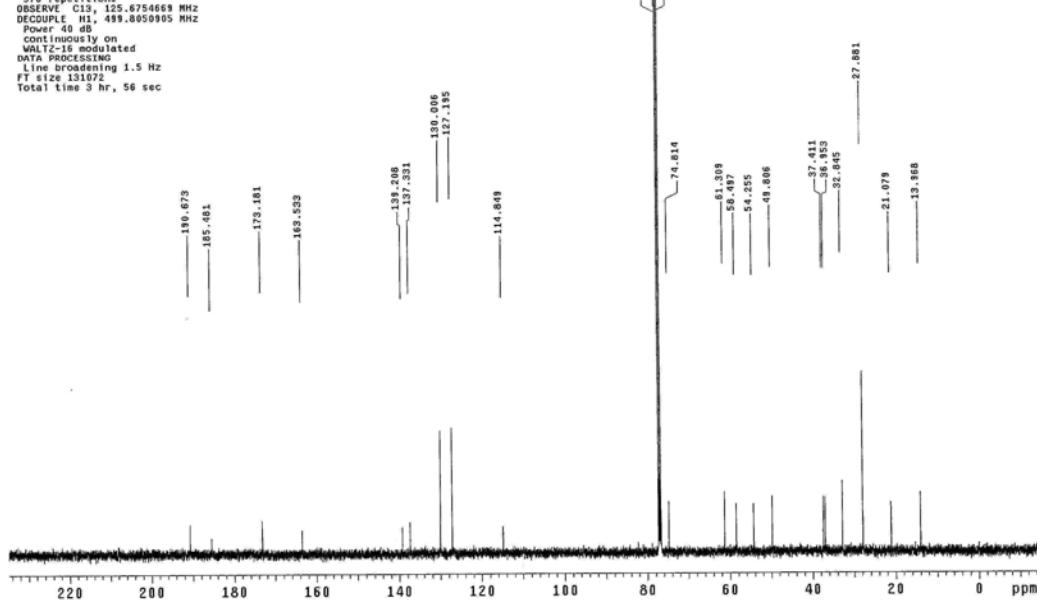
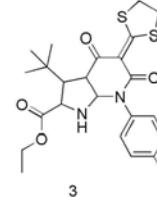
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Sample directory:

Pulse Sequence: $2pul

Solvent: CDCl3
Ambient temperature
WBW = 1-87
File: 1580
INDOV=500 "NENU500"

Relax, delay 0 580 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 1.300 sec
Width 31424.8 Hz
500 repetitions
OBSERVE C13, 125,6754669 MHz
DECOUPLE H1, 499.8050959 MHz
Phase = 40
Continuously on
WALTZ-16 modulated
DATA PERIOD 1000
Line broadening 1.5 Hz
FT size 131072
Total time 3 hr, 56 sec

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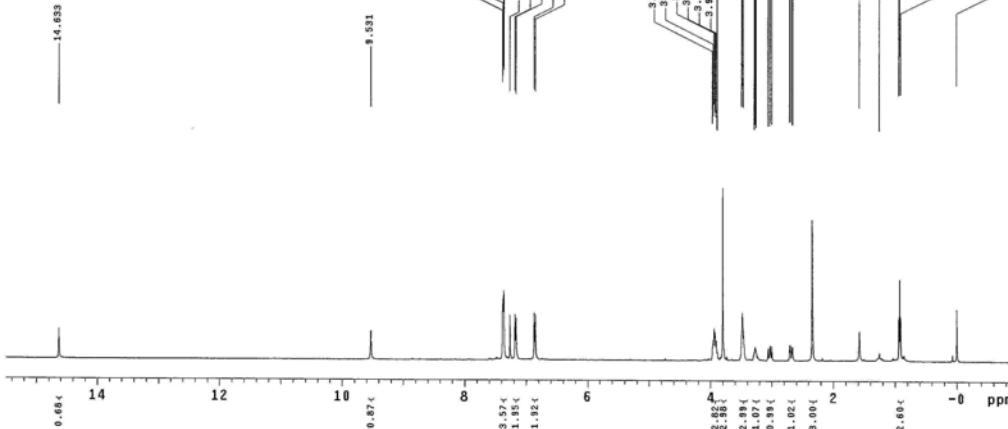


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STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Archive directory: /export/home/l1uy/vnmrsys/data
Sample directory:

Pulse Sequence: s2pul
Solvent: CDCl3
Ambient temperature
Files: 1952
TNOVA-598...-NENHUSOON
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Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 1.892 sec
Width 9313.2 Hz
8 repetitions
OBSERVE    H1, 499.8025904 MHz
DATA PROCESSING
FT size 65536
Total time 0 min, 23 sec
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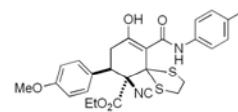
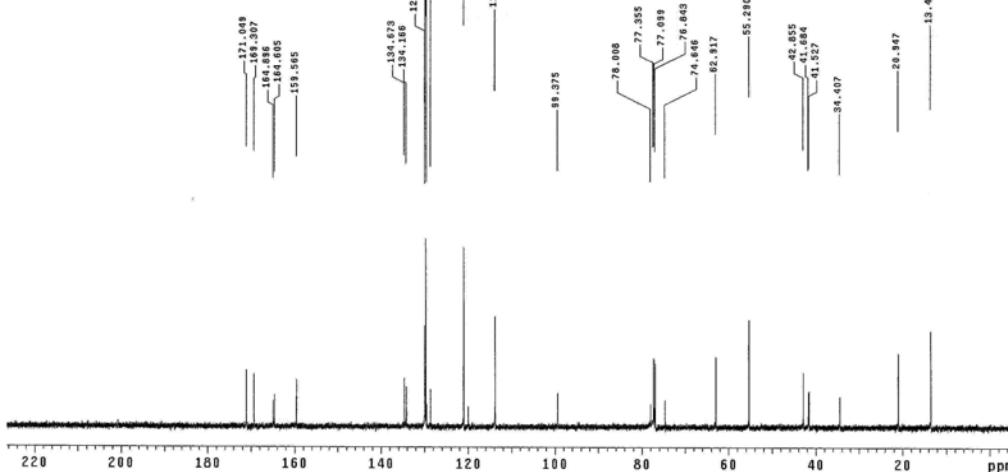
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STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS
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Sample directory:
File: CARBON

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Solvent: CDCl3
Temperature: 280.6 K
User: 1-14-87
INNOVA-500, "HENNUS00"
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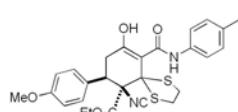
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Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Time 1.300 sec
Width 47930.4 Hz
4D repetition
OBSERVE C13, 125.6754679 MHz
DECOPULATE H1 489.8050905 MHz
Power 40 dB
on during acquisition
off during delay
WALT-16 modulated
DATA PROCESSING
Line broadening 1.0 Hz
FT size 131972
Total time 6 hr, 24 min, 53 sec

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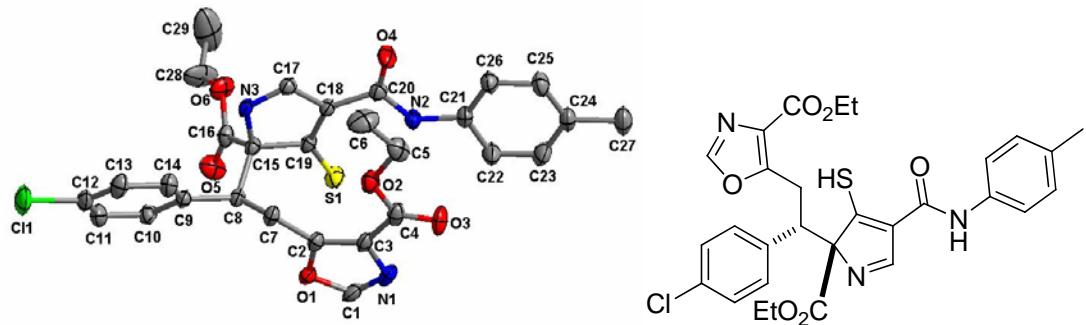
4c



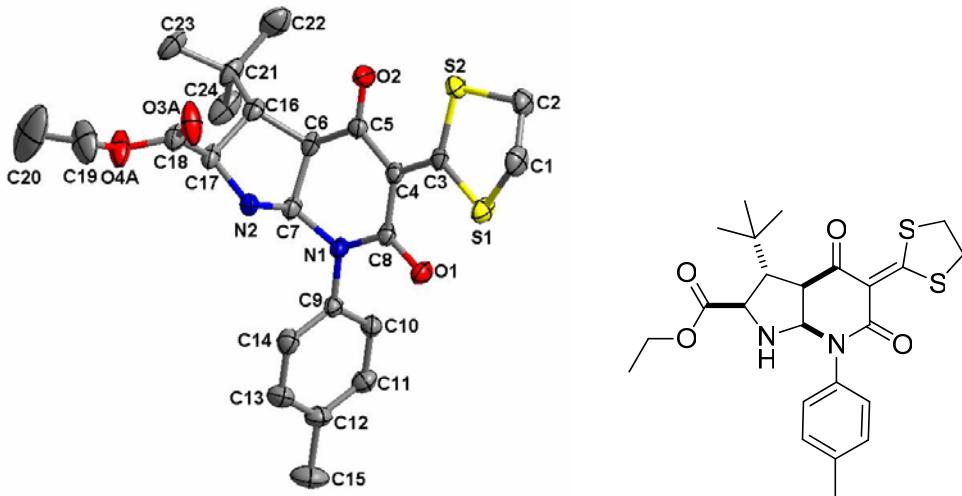
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VI. ORTEP drawing of compound **2a**, **3** and **4c**

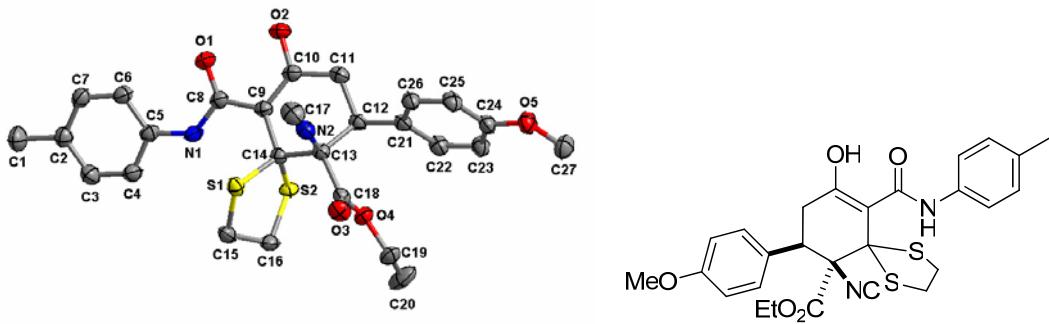
1. FIGURE S1 ORTEP drawing of compound **2a**



2. FIGURE S1 ORTEP drawing of compound **3**



3. FIGURE S1 ORTEP drawing of compound **4c**



VII. Crystal data for **2a**, **3** and **4c**

**2a:**  $C_{58}H_{56}Cl_2N_6O_{12}S_2$ , yellow,  $Mr = 1164.11$ , monoclinic, space group  $C2/c$ ,  $a = 19.816(3)$ ,  $b = 8.6000(13)$ ,  $c = 32.975(5) \text{ \AA}$ ,  $\alpha = 90.00^\circ$ ,  $\beta = 94.488(3)^\circ$ ,  $\gamma = 90.00^\circ$ ,  $V = 5602.3(15) \text{ \AA}^3$ ,  $Z = 4$ ,  $\rho_{\text{calcd}} = 1.380$ ,  $T = 293(2) \text{ K}$ , 15290 reflections (5543 unique), 370 refined parameters,  $R = 0.0656$  (5543 data with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ ),  $wR2(F2) = 0.1462$ . The hydrogen atoms were refined as rigid groups. CCDC

deposition number: 801575 (**2a**). These data can be obtained free of charge via [www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/conts/retrieving.html](http://www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/conts/retrieving.html) (or from the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Center, 12 Union Road, Cambridge CB21EZ, UK; fax: (+44)1223-336-033; or [deposit@ccdc.cam.ac.uk](mailto:deposit@ccdc.cam.ac.uk)).

**3:** C<sub>72</sub>H<sub>90</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O<sub>12</sub>S<sub>6</sub>, yellow, Mr = 1423.86, triclinic, space group R-3, a = 19.425(4), b = 19.425(4), c = 33.628(4) Å, α = 90.00, β = 90.00, γ = 120.00°, V = 10989(3) Å<sup>3</sup>, Z = 6, pcalcd = 1.291, T = 293(2) K, 18636 reflections (4343 unique), 312 refined parameters, R = 0.0547 (4343 data with I > 2σ(I)), wR2(F2) = 0.1060. The hydrogen atoms were refined as rigid groups. CCDC deposition number: 801574 (**3**). These data can be obtained free of charge via [www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/conts/retrieving.html](http://www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/conts/retrieving.html) (or from the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Center, 12 Union Road, Cambridge CB21EZ, UK; fax: (+44)1223-336-033; or [deposit@ccdc.cam.ac.uk](mailto:deposit@ccdc.cam.ac.uk)).

**4c:** C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>28</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>S<sub>2</sub>, white, Mr = 524.63, monoclinic, space group P21/n, a = 15.0260(16), b = 11.9842(13), c = 15.5208(16) Å, α = 90.00, β = 111.297(2), γ = 90.00°, V = 2604.0(5) Å<sup>3</sup>, Z = 4, pcalcd = 1.338, T = 293(2) K, 14319 reflections (3854 unique), 336 refined parameters, R = 0.0411 (3854 data with I > 2σ(I)), wR2(F2) = 0.1022. The hydrogen atoms were refined as rigid groups. CCDC deposition number: 798180 (**4c**). These data can be obtained free of charge via [www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/conts/retrieving.html](http://www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/conts/retrieving.html) (or from the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Center, 12 Union Road, Cambridge CB21EZ, UK; fax: (+44)1223-336-033; or [deposit@ccdc.cam.ac.uk](mailto:deposit@ccdc.cam.ac.uk)).