SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Isolation of Ugi Four-Component Condensation Primary Adducts: A Straightforward Route to Isocoumarins

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EXPERIMENTAL

General

Melting points were determined in open capillary tubes with a Büchi 512 apparatus and are uncorrected. IR spectra were measured on a Perkin-Elmer Spectrum BX spectrophotometer for potassium bromide discs. NMR spectra were recorded on a Varian Gemini 200 operating at 200 MHz and 50.33 MHz for 1 H and 13 C acquisitions, respectively. Chemical shifts (δ) are reported in ppm relative to chloroform (δ = 7.26, 77.23).

3-(N-Cyclohexyl)amino-4-[N-(2,2-dimethoxy-2-phenyl)ethyl]amino-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (**13a**)

A solution of phenacylamine dimethyl acetal (11) (362 mg, 2.0 mmol) and cyclohexyl isocyanide (12a) (218 mg, 2.0 mmol) in MeOH (1.0 mL) was added to a solution of 2-formylbenzoic acid (10) (278 mg, 1.85 mmol) in MeOH (2.8 mL). The resulting mixture was stirred for 18 h at rt and then cooled and filtered. The collected product was washed with a little cold pentane and dried in a oven at 50 °C to give 641 mg (82%) of 13a. Yellow crystals, mp 148.5-150 °C (EtOH).

¹H NMR: δ 8.04 (d, 1H), 7.63-7.38 (m, 6H), 7.06-6.95 (m, 2H), 4.69 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 3.44 (m, 1H), 3.28 (s, 6H), 3.18 (s, 2H), 1.92-0.86 (m, 11H).

¹³C NMR: δ 160.8, 154.0, 141.0, 140.0, 134.7, 130.4, 128.2, 127.2, 121.8, 117.9, 114.0, 102.7, 97.5, 55.3, 50.0, 49.2, 34.1, 25.7, 25.1.

IR: 3362, 2928, 2845, 1731, 1264, 1604, 1554, 1482, 1473, 1042, 762, 705 cm⁻¹.

Anal. Calcd. for C₂₅H₃₀N₂O₄: C, 71.07; H, 7.16; N, 6.63. Found: C, 70.91; H, 7.15; N, 6.77.

3-(N-*tert*-Butyl)amino-4-[N-(2,2-dimethoxy-2-phenyl)ethyl]amino-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (**13b**)

This compound (13b) was prepared analogously to 13a by employing *tert*-butyl isocyanide (12b) in the place of cyclohexyl isocyanide (12a). Yield 72%, yellow crystals, mp 138-139 °C (i-Pr₂O).

¹H NMR: δ 8.05 (d, 1H), 7.63-7.36 (m, 8H), 7.08-6.89 (m, 2H), 5.09 (s, 1H), 3.27 (s, 6H), 3.19 (s, 2H), 1.91 (brs, 1H), 1.29 (s, 9H).

¹³C NMR: δ 160.6, 155.1, 140.6, 139.8, 134.6, 130.3, 128.2, 128.1, 127.1, 122.1, 118.1, 114.4, 102.6, 98.8, 53.2, 52.2, 49.1, 30.4.

IR: 3334, 2965, 1732, 1627, 1604, 1553, 1484, 1456, 1137, 1042, 762, 667 cm⁻¹.

Anal. Calcd. for C₂₃H₂₈N₂O₄: C, 69.67; H, 7.12; N, 7.07. Found: C, 69.89; H, 6.99; N, 7.15.

N-Cyclohexyl-2-(2,2-dimethoxy-2-phenyl)ethyl-1,3-dihydro-1-oxoisoindol-3-carboxamide (14a)

A drop of aq. HCl (37% HCl: water = 1:2) was added to a solution of **13a** (211 mg, 0.5 mmol) in THF (3.3 mL). The yellow color quickly disappeared. After 2 min the reaction mixture was

cautiously diluted with cold water under stirring to give **14a** in almost quantitative yield. White crystals, mp 223-225 °C from EtOH/water (2:1). Variations of the mp value were observed depending upon the heating rate.

¹H NMR: δ 7.46-7.23 (m, 9H), 5.94 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 4.78 (s, 1H), 4.59 (d, J = 14.6 Hz, 1H), 3.68 (m, 1H), 3.51 (d, J = 14.6 Hz, 1H), 3.28 (s, 3H), 3.26 (s, 3H), 1.98-0.82 (m, 10H).

¹³C NMR: δ 168.4, 166.3, 141.0, 138.1, 131.5, 129.6, 128.1, 127.9, 126.7, 123.0, 121.9, 102.1, 64.7, 49.3, 48.7, 44.6, 33.1, 32.4, 25.3, 25.2, 25.0.

IR: 3317, 2931, 2850,1700, 1684, 1670, 1532, 1411, 1318, 1127, 1072, 1047, 731 cm⁻¹.

Anal. Calcd. for C₂₅H₃₀N₂O₄: C, 71.07; H, 7.16; N, 6.63. Found: C, 71.05; H, 7.32; N, 6.47.

N-*tert*-Butyl-2-(2,2-dimethoxy-2-phenyl)ethyl-1,3-dihydro-1-oxoisoindol-3-carboxamide (**14b**)

This compound (14b) was prepared analogously to 14a by employing compound 13b as the starting material in the place of 13a. Yield: almost quantitative. An analytical sample was obtained from EtOH/water (1:1). The product melted at about 188 °C then resolidified and melted again at 197-198 °C.

¹H NMR: δ 7.49-7.20 (m, 9H), 5.54 (s, 1H), 4.63 (d, J = 14.7 Hz, 1H), 4.59 (s, 1H), 3.49 (d, J = 14.7 Hz, 1H), 3.30 (s, 3H), 3.23 (s, 3H), 1.25 (s, 9H).

¹³C NMR: δ 168.7, 166.2, 141.3, 138.7, 131.8, 130.0, 128.5, 128.3, 128.2, 127.0, 123.5, 121.9, 102.0, 65.2, 51.8, 49.5, 48.9, 45.1, 28.7.

IR: 3301, 2963, 1695, 1664, 1542, 1404, 1128, 1050, 735, 699 cm⁻¹.

Anal. Calcd. for C₂₃H₂₈N₂O₄: C, 69.67; H, 7.12; N, 7.07. Found: C, 69.72; H, 7.25; N, 7.00.

N-Cyclohexyl-1,3-dihydro-1-oxo-2-phenacylisoindol-3-carboxamide (15a)

A solution of **13a** (211 mg, 0.5 mmol) in THF (5.3 mL) was treated with six drops of aq. HCl (HCl 37%: water = 1:2). The resulting solution was allowed to stand at rt for 5d and then cautiously diluted with cold water under stirring to give **15a** in almost quantitative yield as white crystals. An analytical sample was obtained from EtOH/water (1:1). The product softened at about 177 °C and melted at 183-185 °C.

The same product 15a was obtained starting from 14a in the same conditions.

¹H NMR: δ 8.00 (d, 1H), 7.83-7.44 (m, 8H), 7.31 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 5.15 (s, 1H), 5.11 (d, J = 17.9 Hz, 1H), 4.87 (d, J = 17.9 Hz, 1H), 3.64 (m, 1H), 1.93-0.90 (m, 10H).

¹³C NMR: δ 194.1, 170.0, 166.4, 141.9, 134.5, 134.1, 132.5, 129.8, 129.0, 128.9, 128.1, 123.8, 122.9, 66.3, 49.6, 48.8, 32.8, 32.6, 25.5, 25.1, 24.9.

IR: 3278, 2938, 2856, 1701, 1690, 1651, 1545, 1408, 1228, 1004, 751, 690 cm⁻¹.

Anal. Calcd. for C₂₃H₂₄N₂O₃: C, 73.38; H, 6.43; N, 7.44. Found: C, 73.52; H, 6.27; N, 7.57.

N-tert-Butyl-1,3-dihydro-1-oxo-2-phenacylisoindol-3-carboxamide (15b)

This compound (15b) was prepared analogously to 15a starting from 13b or 14b. Yield: nearly quantitative. White crystals, mp 155-156 °C from EtOH/water (1:1).

¹H NMR: δ 8.02 (d, 1H), 7.86-7.44 (m, 8H), 7.06 (s, 1H), 5.10 (d, J = 17.9 Hz, 1H), 5.05 (s, 1H), 4.87 (d, J = 17.9 Hz, 1H), 1.24 (s, 9H).

¹³C NMR: δ 193.9, 170.0, 166.6, 142.1, 134.5, 134.1, 132.5, 129.8, 128.9, 128.1, 123.8, 122.7, 67.0, 51.7, 49.6, 28.6.

IR: 3315, 2967, 1700, 1695, 1669, 1533, 1419, 1226, 1006, 735, 690 cm⁻¹.

Anal. Calcd. for C₂₁H₂₂N₂O₃: C, 71.98; H, 6.33; N, 7.99. Found: C, 72.09; H, 6.15; N, 7.85.

3-(N-Substituted)amino-4-arylamino-1*H*-isochromen-1-ones (17)

A small flask containing a solution of 2-formylbenzoic acid (10)(540 mg, 3.6 mmol) in MeOH (4 mL) was poured into an oil bath (bath temperature 80 °C). When the solution began to boil a solution of the isocyanide 12 (3.8 mmol) and the aniline 16 (3.8 mmol) in MeOH (1 mL) was added and the flask lifted and maintained at such a distance from the oil surface that the temperature dropped to 40 °C within 15 min. The flask was then transferred to another bath and maintained at 40 °C (reaction mixture temperature) for 45 min. The flask was removed from the bath and allowed to cool at rt. A small magnetic bar was poured into the flask and stirring was started. After 15 min stirring at rt the reaction mixture was cooled with an ice bath and filtered to give almost pure 17. Unless otherwise stated analytical samples were obtained from EtOH.

3-(N-Cyclohexyl)amino-4-(N-phenyl)amino-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (**17a**)

Yield 57%. Yellow crystals, mp 140-141 °C.

¹H NMR: δ 8.10 (d, 1H), 7.44 (m, 1H), 7.27-7.05 (m, 4H), 6.84-6.57 (m, 3H), 4.81 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 4.69 (s, 1H), 3.73 (m, 1H), 2.10-1.01 (m, 10H).

¹³C NMR: δ 160.7, 155.2, 146.3, 141.0, 135.0, 130.2, 129.5, 122.7, 119.2, 118.9, 114.4, 113.2, 91.7, 50.6, 34.3, 25.6, 25.1.

IR: 3371, 3347, 2932, 2853, 1713, 1700, 1623, 1604, 1552, 1494, 1241, 1087, 767, 748 cm⁻¹. *Anal.* Calcd. for C₂₁H₂₂N₂O₂: C, 75.42; H, 6.63; N, 8.38. Found: C, 75.35; H, 6.51; N, 8.51.

3-(N-Cyclohexyl)amino-4-[N-(4-fluoro)phenyl]amino-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (**17b**)

Yield 58%. Yellow crystals, mp 151-152 °C from MeOH.

¹H NMR: δ 8.10 (d, 1H), 7.45 (m, 1H), 7.15-6.82 (m, 4H), 6.67-6.53 (m, 2H), 4.83 (d, J = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 4.65 (s, 1H), 3.72 (m, 1H), 2.07-1.01 (m, 10H).

¹³C NMR: δ 160.5, 156.1 (d, ${}^{1}J_{CF}$ = 236 Hz), 155.0, 142.2, 140.6, 134.8, 130.0, 122.4, 118.8, 115.8 (d, ${}^{2}J_{CF}$ = 23 Hz), 114.1, 113.6 (d, ${}^{3}J_{CF}$ = 7 Hz), 91.6, 50.2, 33.9, 25.1, 24.6.

IR: 3376, 3340, 2937, 2853, 1709, 1696, 1624, 1606, 1555, 1508, 1483, 1336, 1215, 818, 759 cm⁻¹. *Anal.* Calcd. for C₂₁H₂₁FN₂O₂: C, 71.57; H, 6.01; N, 7.95. Found: C, 71.79; H, 6.11; N, 7.79.

4-[N-(3-Chloro)phenyl]amino-3-(N-cyclohexyl)amino-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (**17c**)

Yield 62%. Yellow crystals, mp 156-158 °C.

¹H NMR: δ 8.08 (d, 1H), 7.47 (m, 1H), 7.15-7.03 (m, 3H), 6.78-6.48 (m, 3H), 4.80 (s, 1H), 4.73 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 3.73 (m, 1H), 2.06-1.02 (m, 10H).

¹³C NMR: δ 160.6, 155.0, 147.6, 140.6, 135.3, 135.1, 130.6, 130.3, 122.8, 119.0, 114.4, 113.1, 111.4, 90.8, 50.6, 34.3, 25.6, 25.0.

IR: 3409, 3342, 2930, 2844, 1712, 1696, 1605, 1594, 1551, 1473, 1334, 1160, 1086, 848, 763, 678 $\,\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$.

Anal. Calcd. for C₂₁H₂₁ClN₂O₂: C, 68.38; H, 5.74; N, 7.59. Found: C, 68.12; H, 5.56; N, 7.72.

4-[N-(4-Chloro)phenyl]amino-3-(N-cyclohexyl)amino-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (**17d**)

Yield 68%. Yellow crystals, mp 173-175 °C.

¹H NMR: δ 8.10 (d, 1H), 7.45 (m, 1H), 7.20-6.98 (m, 4H), 6.66-6.53 (m, 2H), 4.76 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 4.74 (s, 1H), 3.72 (m, 1H), 2.07-1.00 (m, 10H).

¹³C NMR: δ 160.6, 155.1, 145.0, 140.7, 135.0, 130.2, 129.4, 123.4, 122.8, 119.1, 114.4, 114.3, 91.4, 50.6, 34.3, 25.6, 25.0.

IR: 3367, 3302, 2925, 2853, 1723, 1624, 1603, 1550, 1492, 1482, 1305, 1094, 818, 767 cm⁻¹.

Anal. Calcd. for C₂₁H₂₁ClN₂O₂: C, 68.38; H, 5.74; N, 7.59. Found: C, 68.22; H, 5.90; N, 7.43.

4-[N-(4-Fluoro)phenyl]amino-3-[N-(4-methyl)phenyl]amino-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (17e)

Yield 64%. Yellow crystals, mp 163-165 °C.

¹H NMR: δ 8.13 (d, 1H), 7.50 (m, 1H), 7.24-7.03 (m, 6H), 7.01-6.81 (m, 3H), 6.72-6.57 (m, 2H), 4.82 (s, 1H), 2.31 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR: δ 159.7, 156.4 (d, ${}^{1}J_{CF}$ = 236 Hz), 152.0, 141.9, 139.7, 135.1, 134.9, 132.8, 130.0, 129.5, 123.6, 119.7, 119.6, 115.8 (d, ${}^{2}J_{CF}$ = 23 Hz), 115.4, 114.0 (d, d, ${}^{3}J_{CF}$ = 7 Hz), 94.0, 20.5.

IR: 3379, 3336, 3032, 1724, 1634, 1605, 1556, 1508, 1482, 1385, 1329, 1206, 824, 759 cm⁻¹.

Anal. Calcd. for C₂₂H₁₇FN₂O₂: C, 73.32; H, 4.75; N, 7.77. Found: C, 73.54; H, 4.62; N, 7.89.

3-(N-Cyclohexyl)amino-4-[N-(4-methyl)phenyl]amino-1*H*-isochromen-1-one (**17f**)

Yield 82%. Yellow crystals, mp 148-149 °C from MeOH.

¹H NMR: δ 8.10 (d, 1H), 7.43 (m, 1H), 7.15-6.92 (m, 4H), 6.63-6.50 (m, 2H), 4.83 (d, J = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 4.57 (s, 1H), 3.72 (m, 1H), 2.25 (s, 3H), 2.05-1.03 (m, 10H).

¹³C NMR: δ 160.6, 155.0, 143.7, 140.8, 134.7, 129.9, 129.8, 122.3, 119.0, 114.1, 113.0, 91.7, 50.2, 33.9, 25.2, 24.6, 20.2.

IR: 3370, 3304, 2923, 2854, 1724, 1615, 1603, 1556, 1514, 1482, 1307, 1243, 1094, 810, 755 cm $^{-1}$. *Anal.* Calcd. for $C_{22}H_{24}N_2O_2$: C, 75.83; H, 6.94; N, 8.04. Found: C, 75.99; H, 7.05; N, 7.87.

N-Cyclohexyl-2-(3-chloro)phenyl-1,3-dihydro-1-oxoisoindol-3-carboxamide (18c)

This compound (18c) was prepared analogously to 14a by employing compound 17c as the starting material in the place of 13a. Yield: almost quantitative. An analytical sample was obtained from EtOH. White crystals, mp 223-224 °C.

¹H NMR: δ 7.98 (m, 1H), 7.82-7.13 (m, 7H), 5.98 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 5.56 (s, 1H), 3.69 (m, 1H), 1.73-0.77 (m, 10H).

¹³C NMR: δ 168.1, 166.2, 140.2, 139.2, 137.4, 135.2, 133.3, 130.2, 129.4, 125.1, 124.2, 122.7, 119.9, 117.4, 65.5, 48.7, 32.4, 32.3, 25.2, 24.6.

IR: 3265, 3078, 2935, 2854, 1712, 1660, 1595, 1485, 1369, 1359, 1245, 1106, 768, 730, 677 cm⁻¹. *Anal.* Calcd. for $C_{21}H_{21}CIN_2O_2$: C, 68.38; H, 5.74; N, 7.59. Found: C, 68.12; H, 5.54; N, 7.66.

N-Cyclohexyl-1,3-dihydro-2-(4-methyl)phenyl-1-oxoisoindol-3-carboxamide (18f)

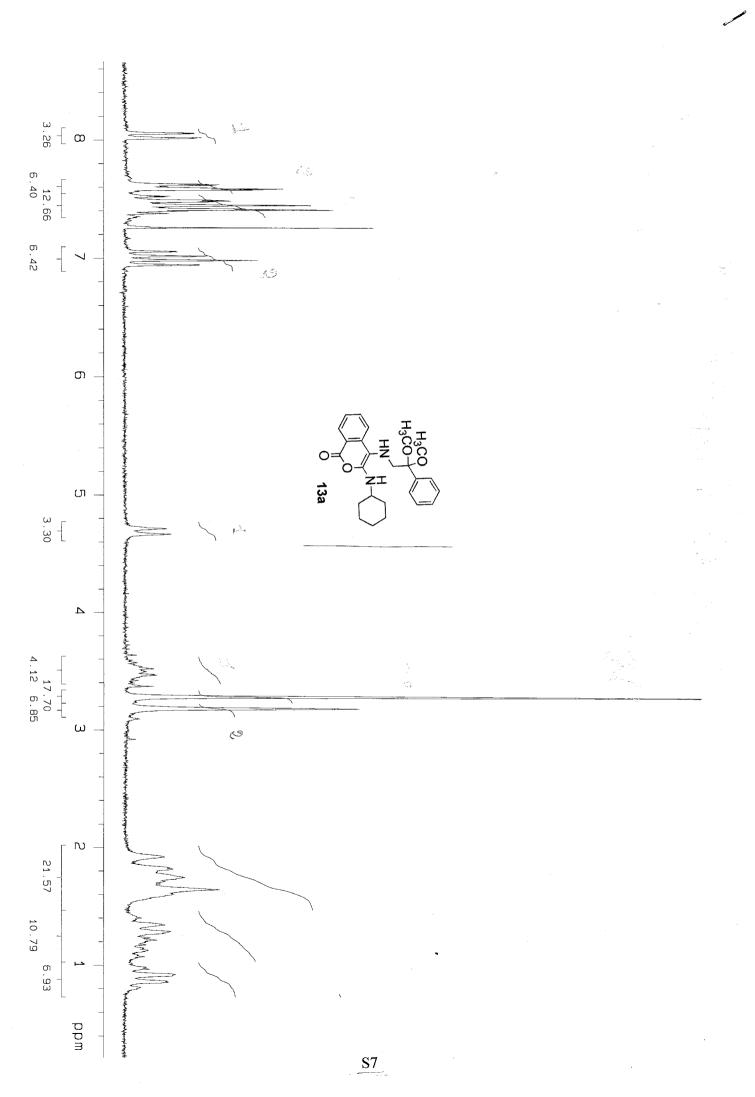
This compound (18f) was prepared analogously to 14a by employing compound 17f as the starting material in the place of 13a. Yield: almost quantitative. An analytical sample was obtained from EtOH. White crystals, mp 227-228 °C.

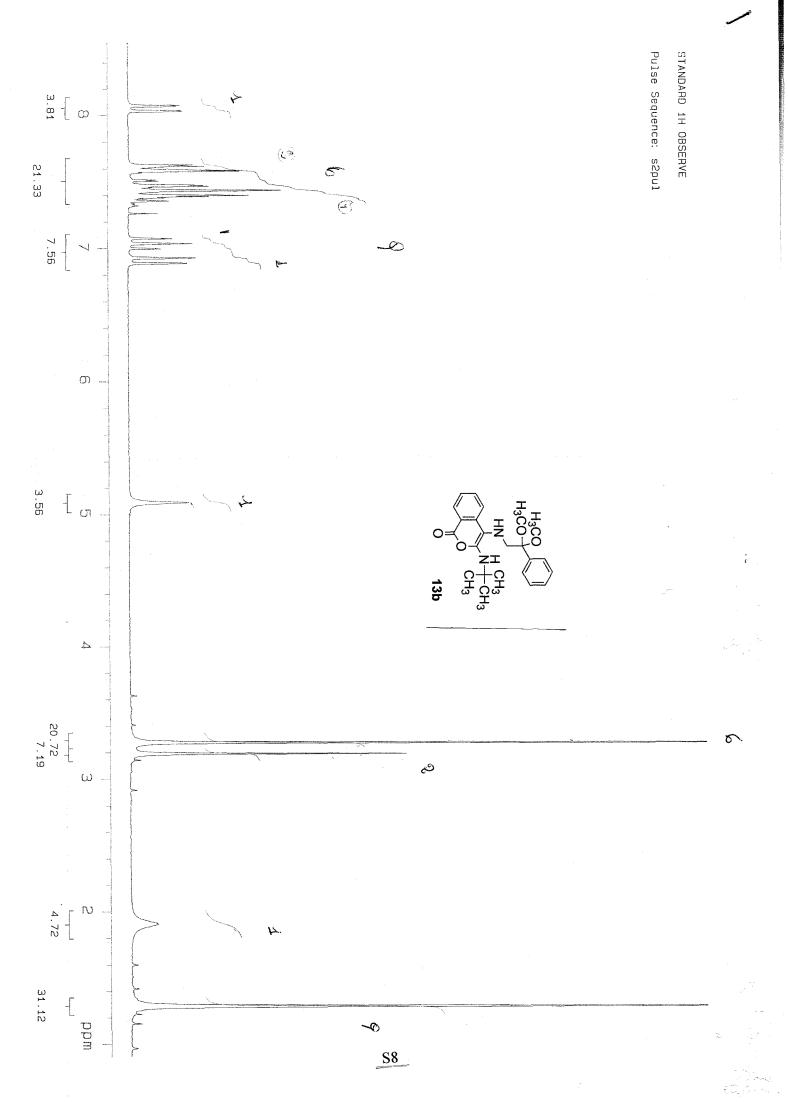
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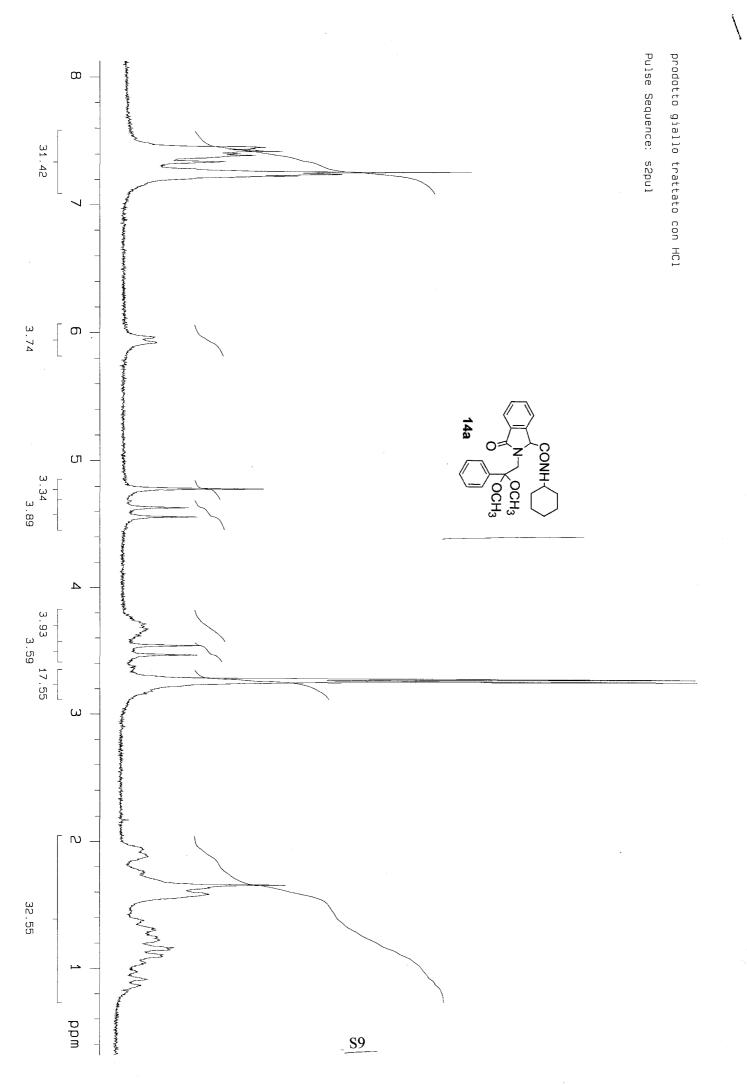
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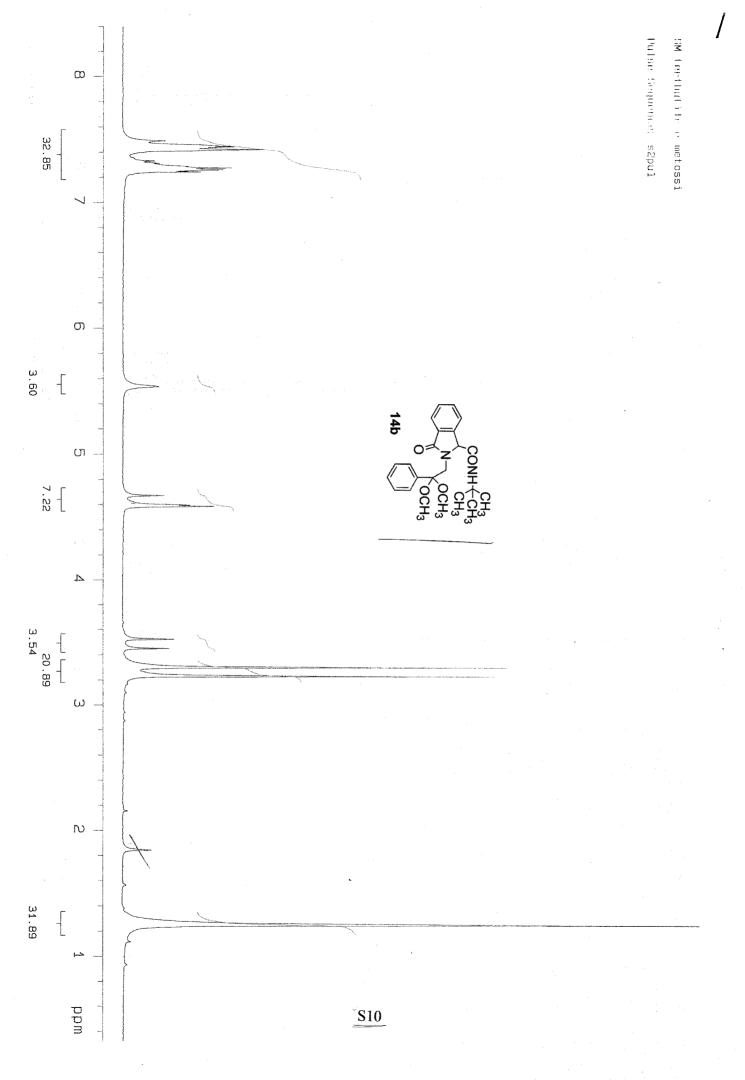
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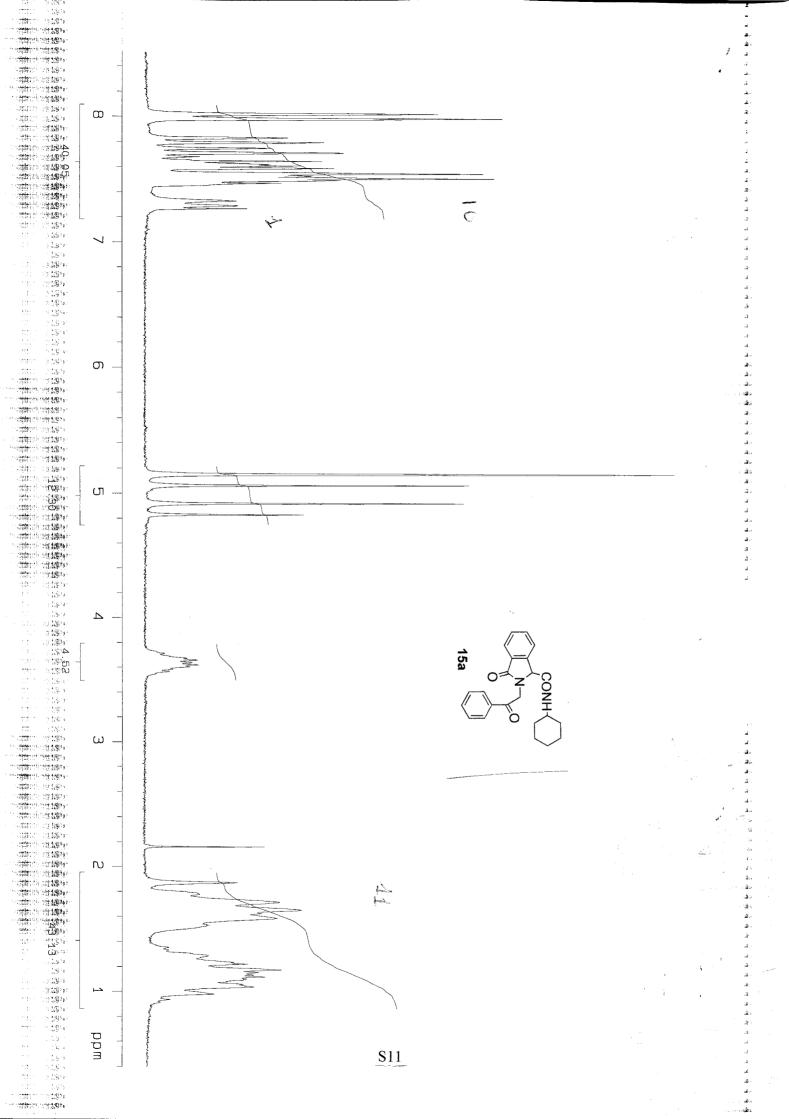
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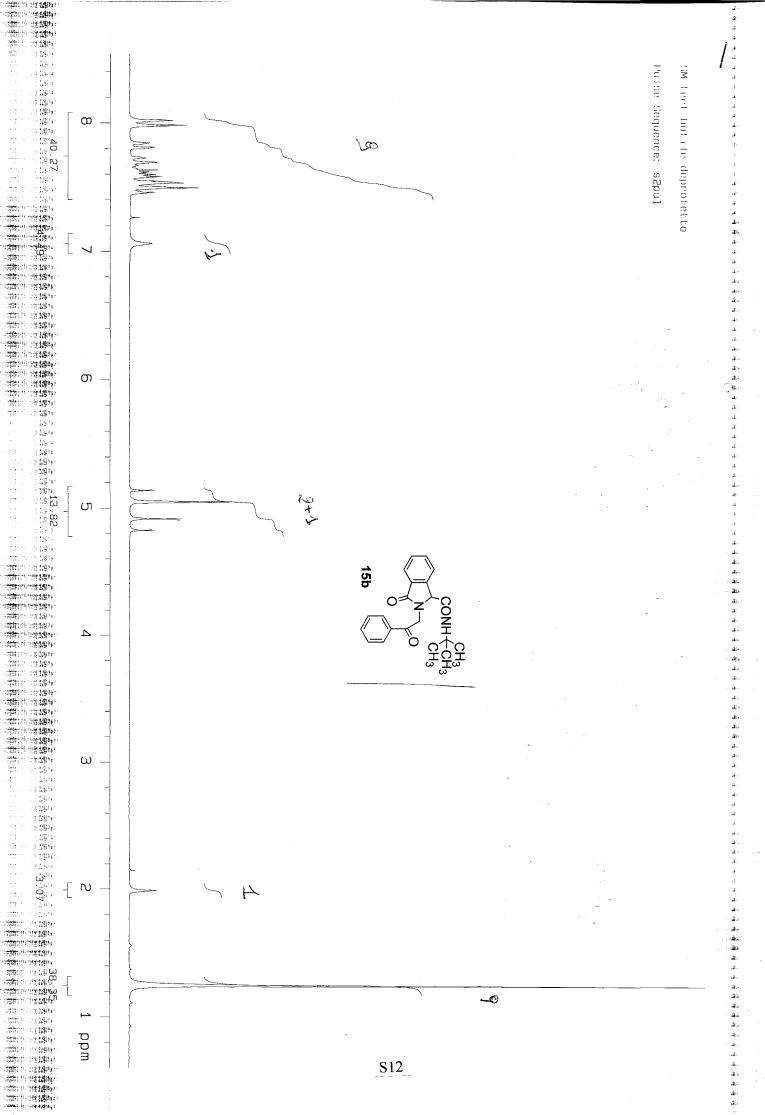


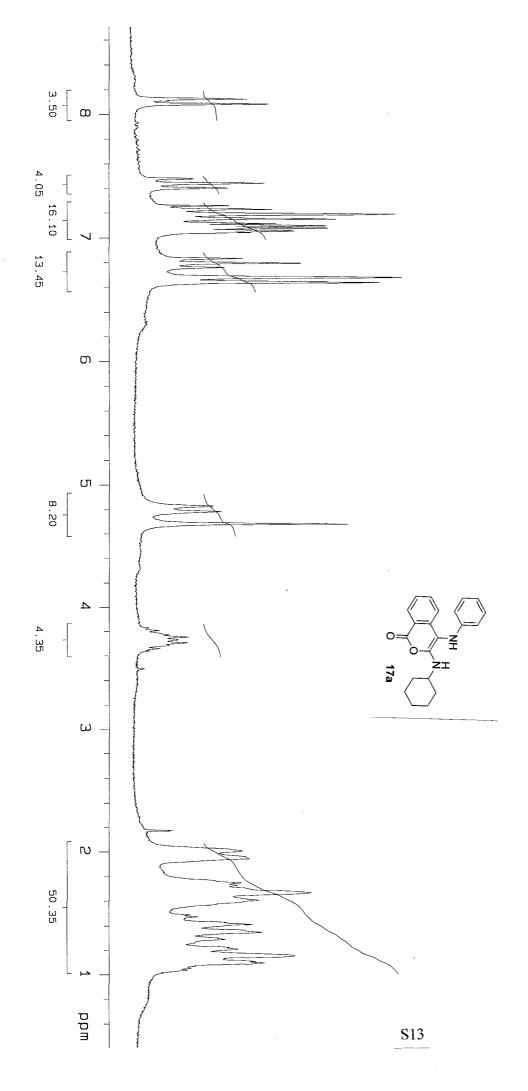


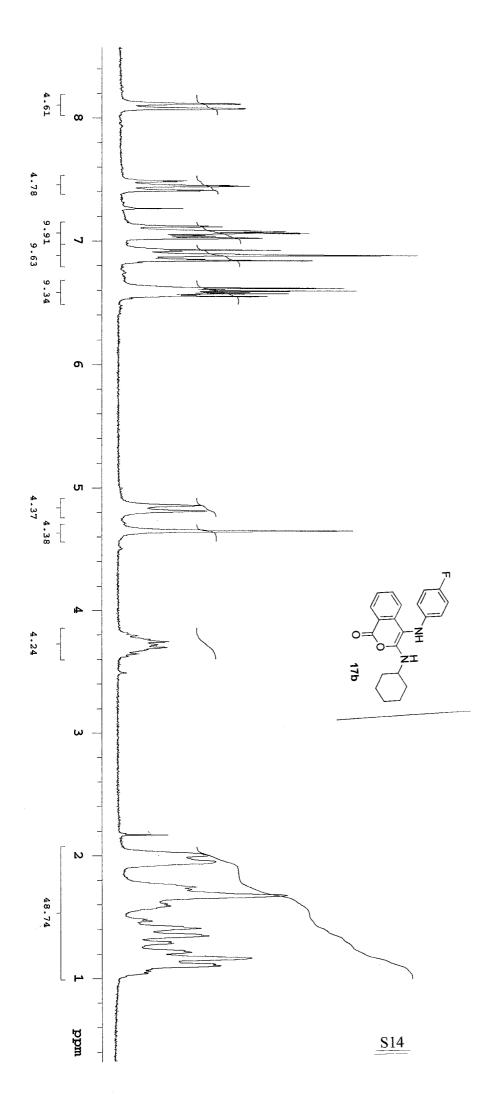


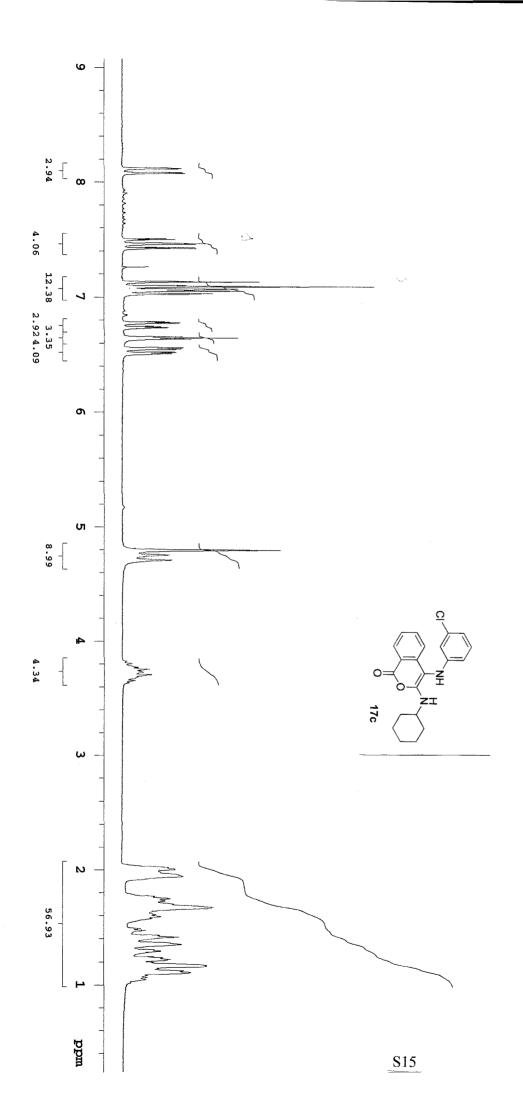


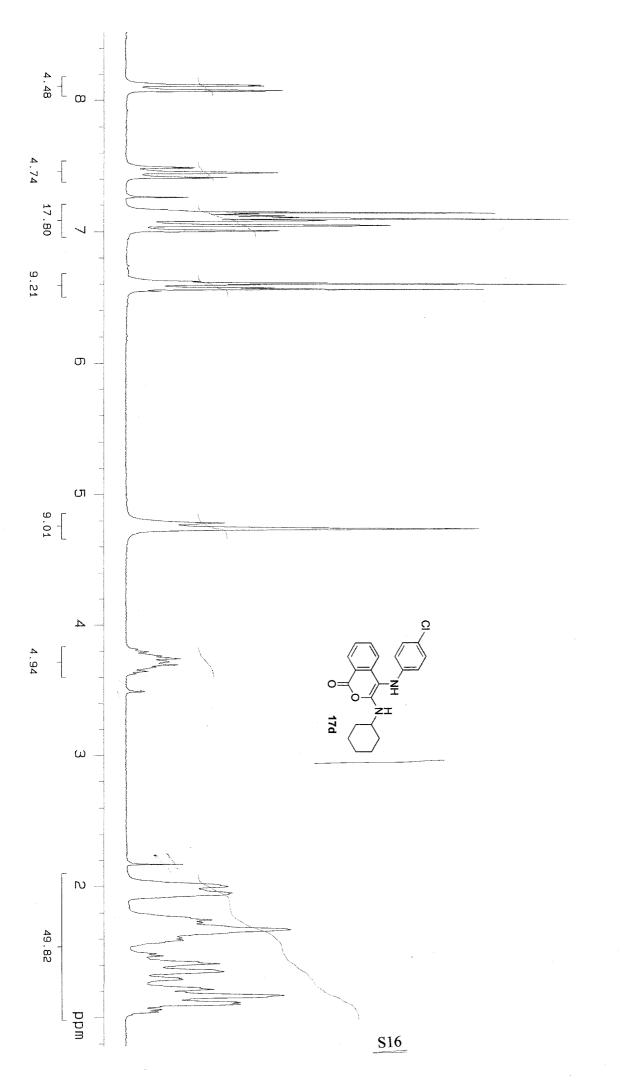


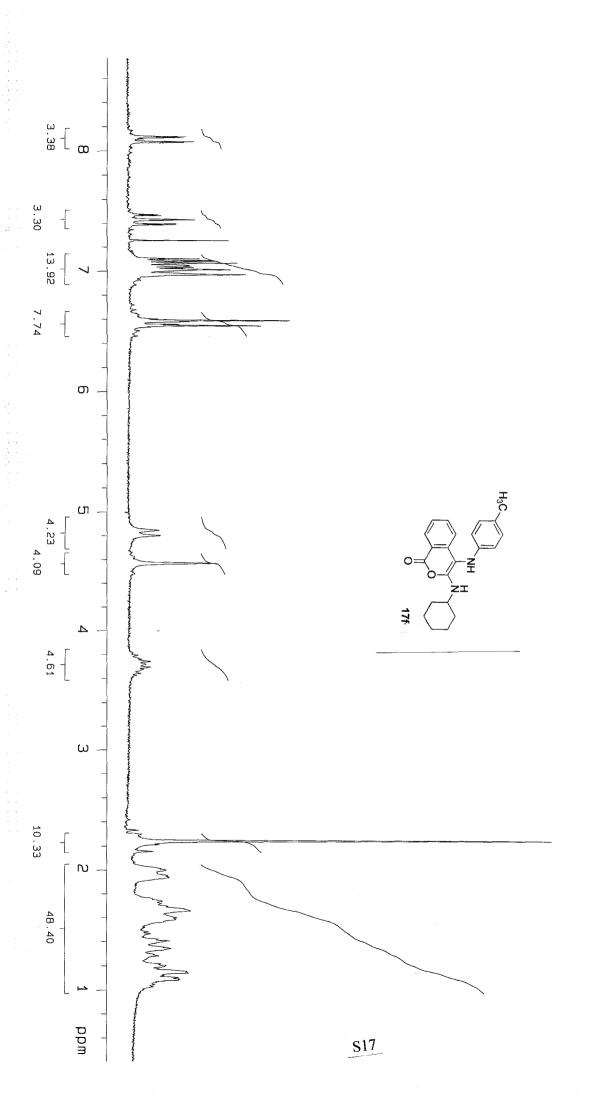


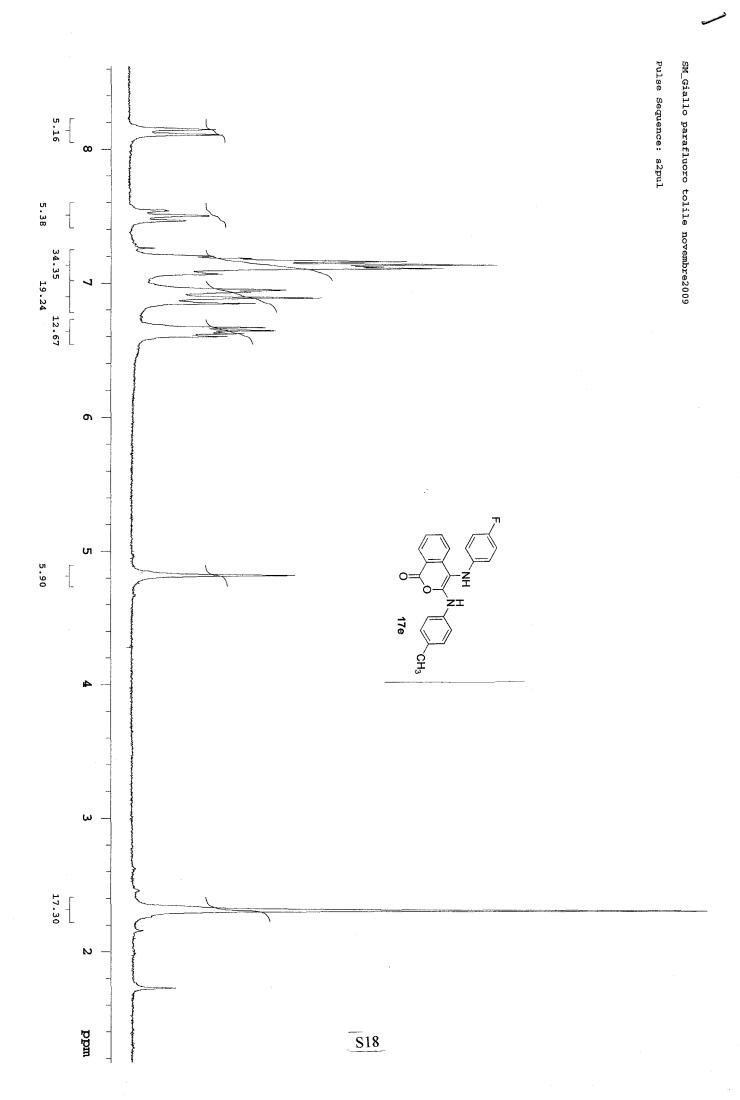


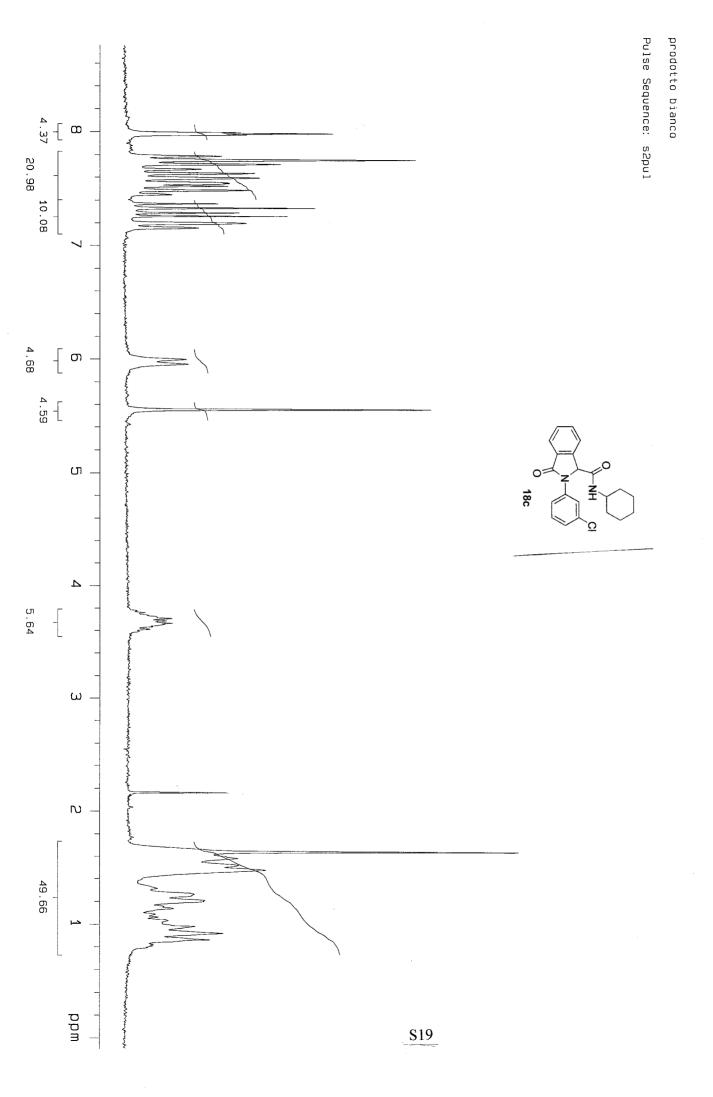


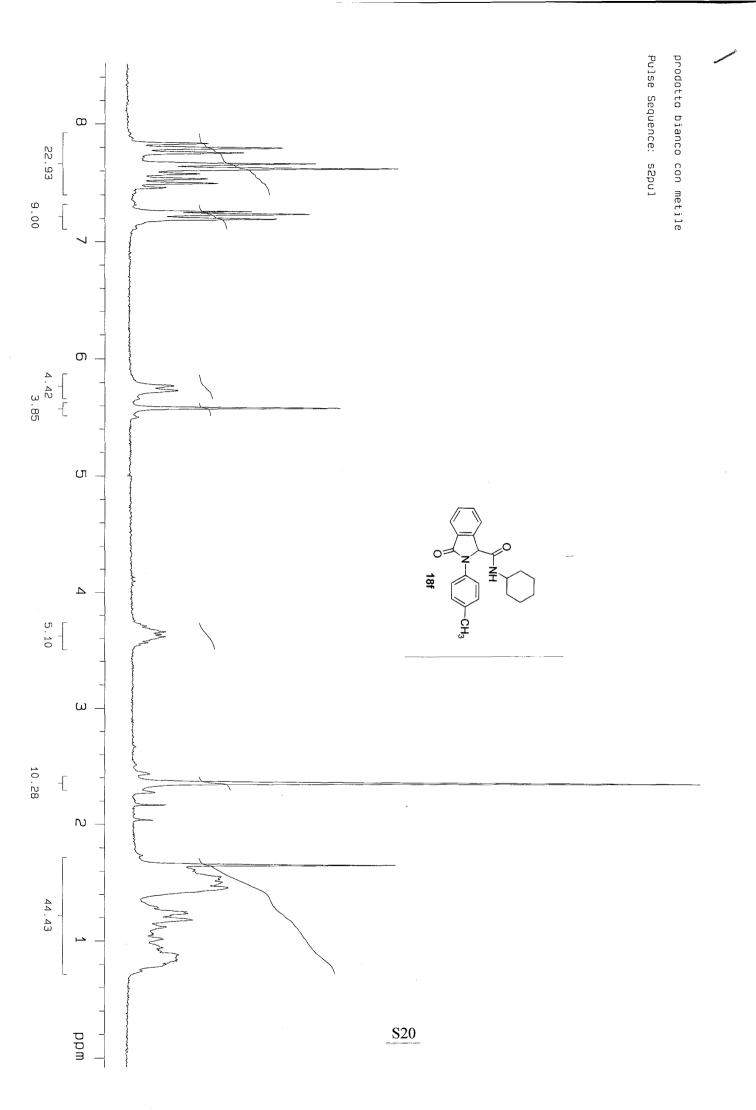


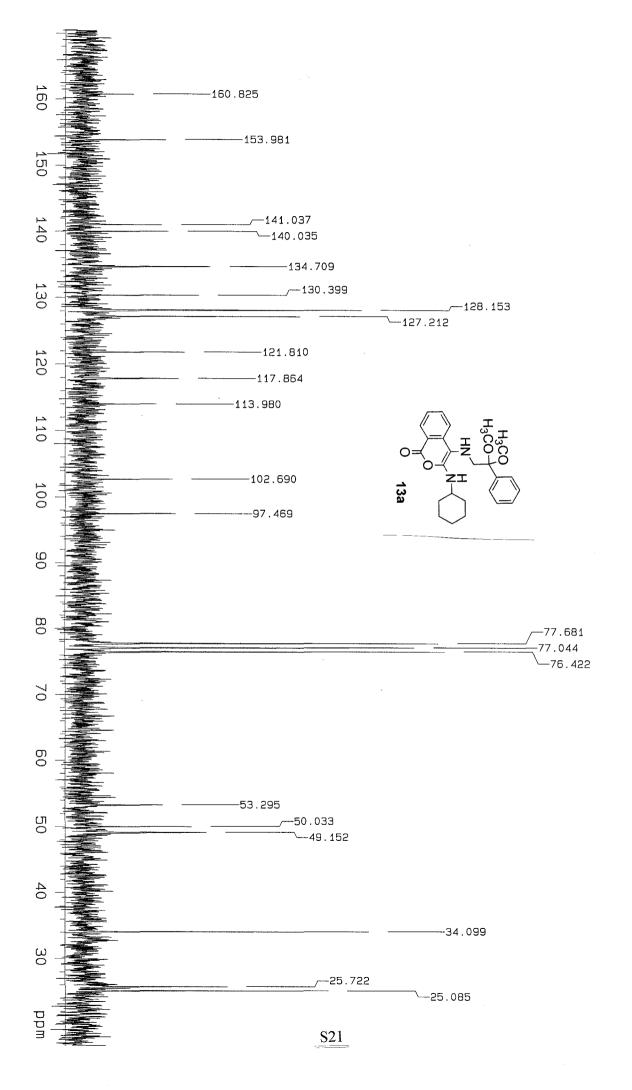












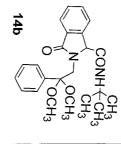
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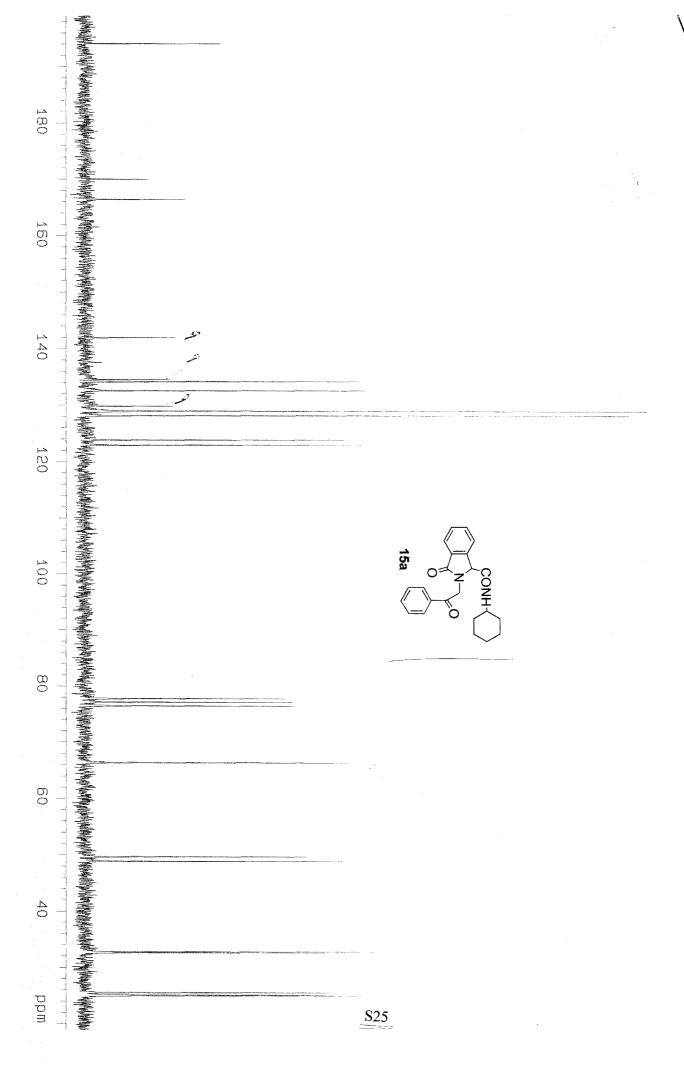
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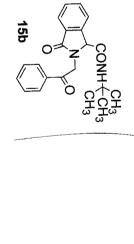
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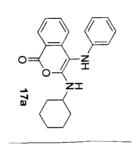
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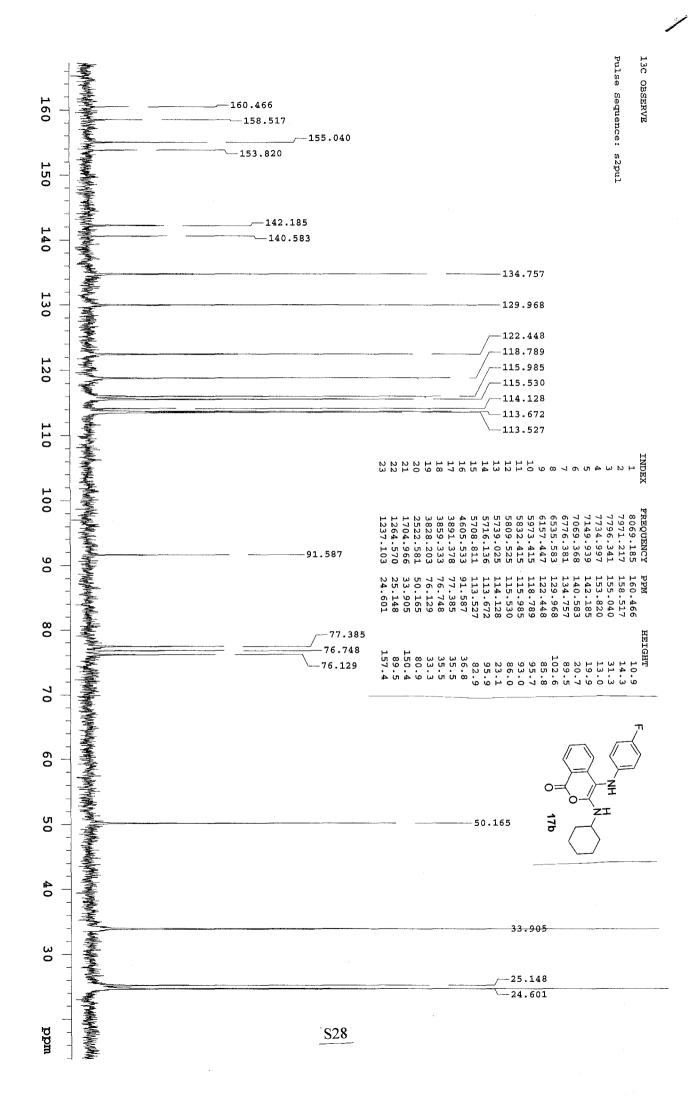
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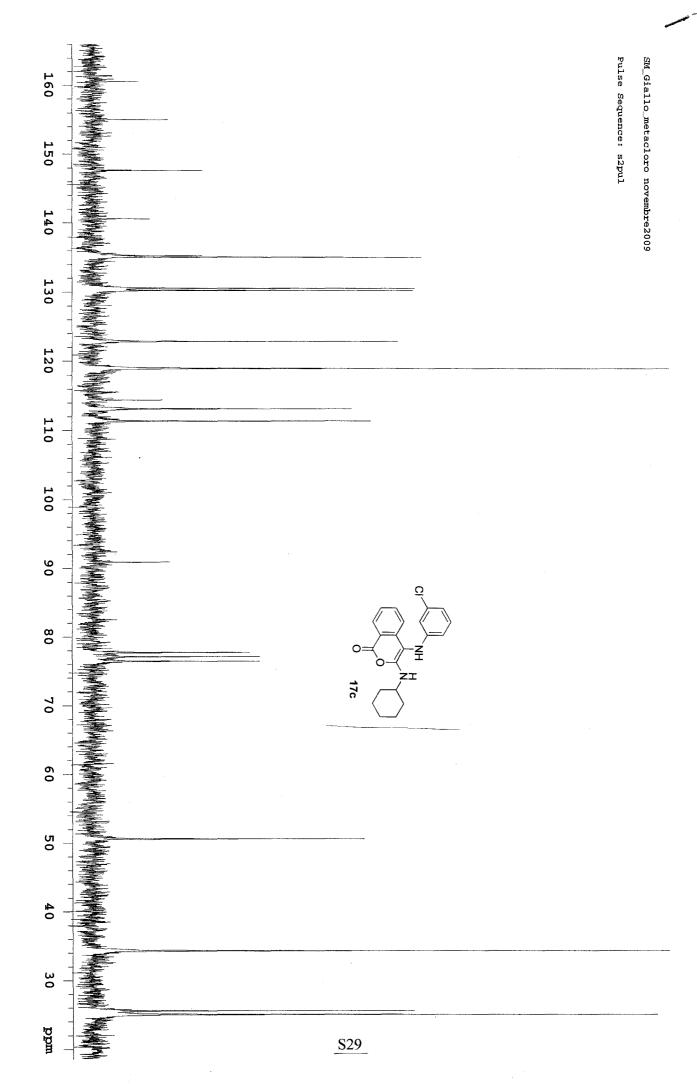
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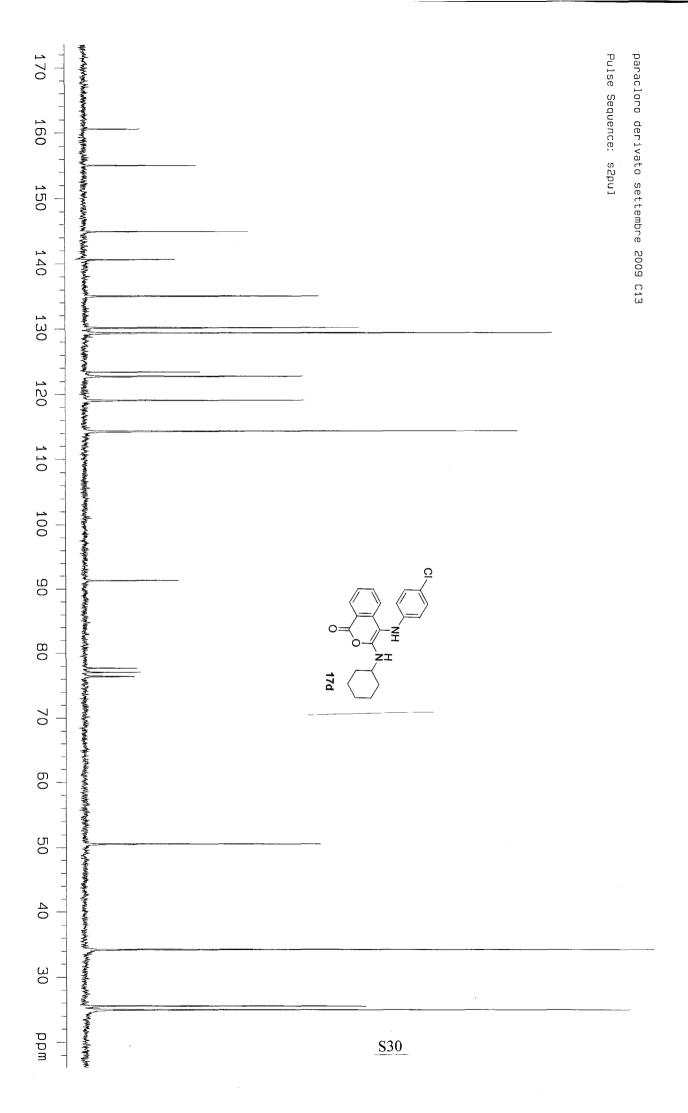


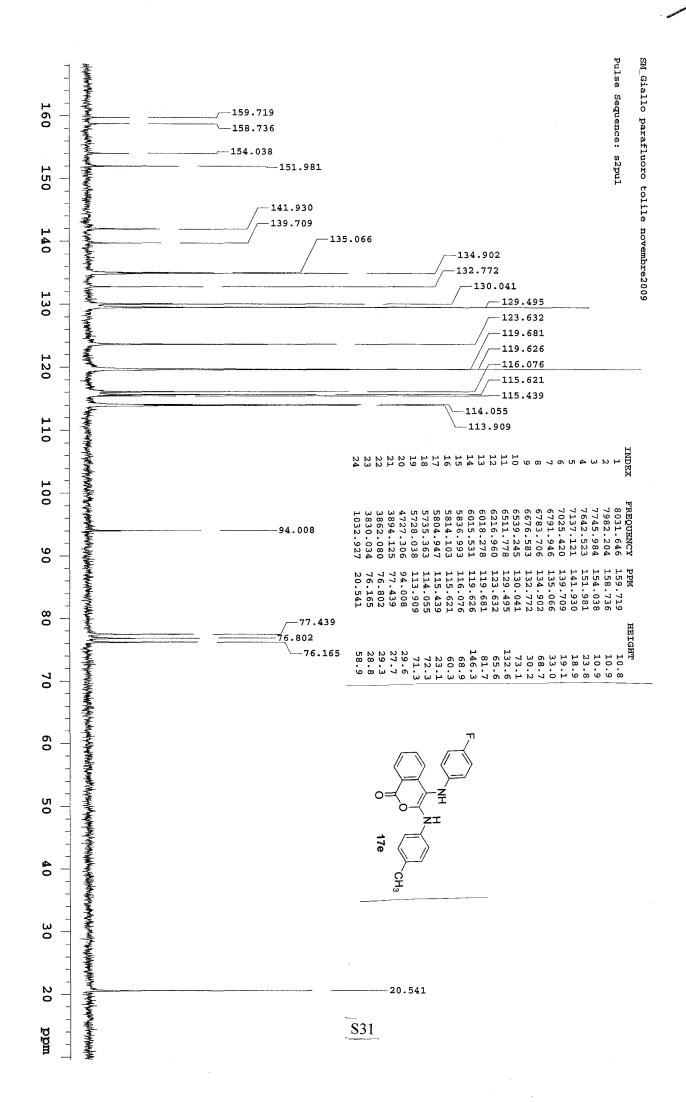
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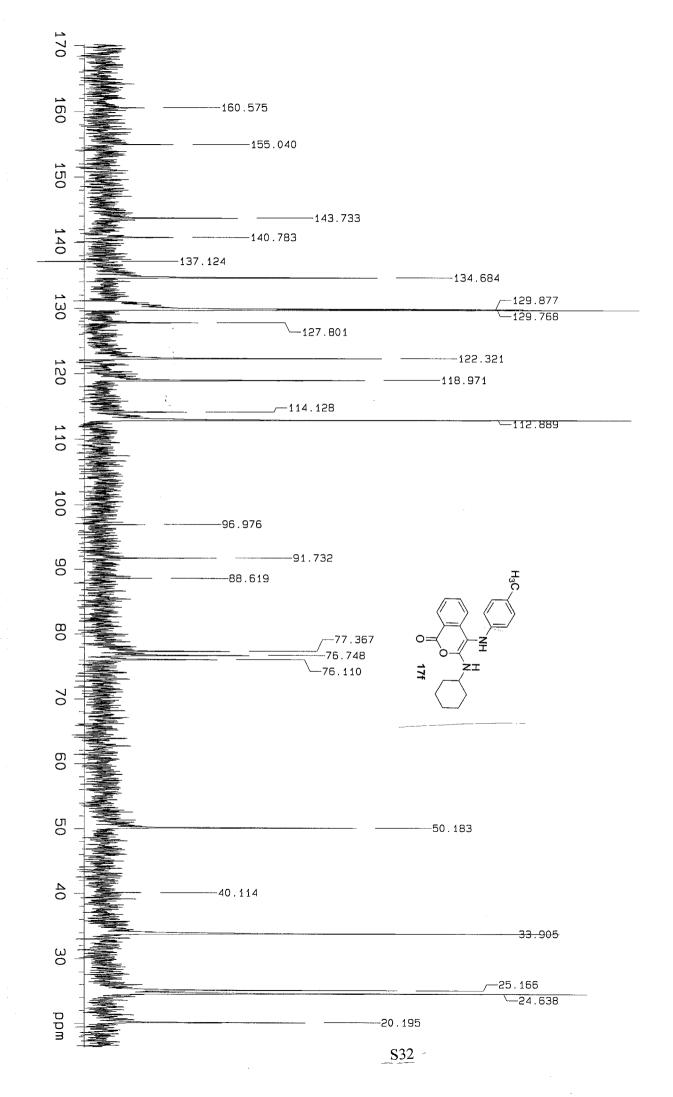
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