

Supporting Information
for
Additive-assisted regioselective 1,3-dipolar cycloaddition of
azomethine ylides with benzylideneacetone

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**Experimental procedures, characterization data and
copies of ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra**

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General information

¹H NMR spectra were recorded at 400 MHz. The chemical shifts were recorded in ppm relative to tetramethylsilane and with the solvent resonance as the internal standard. Data were reported as follows: chemical shift, multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet), coupling constants (Hz), integration. ¹³C NMR data were collected at 100 MHz with complete proton decoupling. Chemical shifts are reported in ppm from tetramethylsilane with the solvent resonance as internal standard. Mass spectra (MS) were measured by 3200 Q TRAP LC-MS/MS utilizing electrospray ionization (ESI) and acetonitrile was used to dissolve the sample. All chemicals were obtained from commercial sources and used without further purification. Column chromatography was carried out on silica gel (300–400 mesh). Thin-layer chromatography (TLC) was performed on TLC silica gel 60 F254 plates. Benzylideneacetone derivatives **3a–g** were prepared according to literature procedure [1].

Typical procedure for the synthesis of spirooxindole derivatives

A mixture of isatin (**1a**, 110.3 mg, 0.75 mmol, 1.5 equiv), benzylamine (**2**, 107.1 mg, 1.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv), benzylideneacetone (**3a**, 73.1 mg, 0.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and additives (Conditions A: H₂O, 45 mg, 5.0 equiv; Conditions B: 4-nitrobenzoic acid, 167.1 mg, 2.0 equiv) in THF (5.0 mL) was stirred at rt for the indicated time. After completion of the reaction as monitored by TLC, Conditions A: the solvent was removed in vacuo. Conditions B: saturated NaHCO₃ solution was added, the organic phase was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂. The combined organic phases were dried over Na₂SO₄, concentrated under reduced pressure and the

crude mixture was purified via flash silica gel chromatography (eluent: dichloromethane/ethyl acetate 97:3 to 95:5) to give cycloadducts **4a**, white solid, conditions A: 144.5 mg, yield 76%; conditions B: 45.8 mg, yield 27%; **5a**, white solid, conditions A: 23.5 mg, yield 12%; conditions B: 120.3 mg, yield 63%.

Characterization data for spiropyrrolidine oxindoles

Crystal data for 4e and 5e

Crystal data for **4e**: formula: C₂₅H₂₁Br₁N₂O₂, unit cell parameters: *a* 7.382(10), *b* 9.93110(10), *c* 16.9977(3), *P*1. Crystallographic data for this structure have been deposited at the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre and allocated deposition number CCDC 967232.

Crystal data for **5e**: formula: C₂₅H₂₁Br₁N₂O₂, unit cell parameters: *a* 10.3391(7), *b* 10.6015(6), *c* 22.2259(16), *P*21/c. Crystallographic data for this structure have been deposited at the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre and allocated deposition number CCDC 967233.

Spectral characterization data for spiropyrrolidine oxindoles

3'-Acetyl-4',5'-diphenylspiro[indoline-3,2'-pyrrolidin]-2-one (4a)

White solid (conditions A: 144.5 mg, yield 76%; conditions B: 45.8 mg, yield 27%); m.p. 170-172°C; IR (KBr) ν 3332, 3030, 1712, 1619, 1471, 1188, 753, 700 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.40 (*br s*, 1H), 6.93-7.34 (m, 15H), 4.97-5.02 (m, 1H), 3.96-4.03 (m, 2H), 1.57 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 204.4, 182.9, 140.4, 140.3, 138.7, 130.0, 129.7, 128.6, 128.4, 128.3, 127.7, 127.0, 126.0, 123.6, 110.3, 68.3, 67.9, 55.1, 30.8, 25.4; HRMS (TOF-ES+) m/z: [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₅H₂₂N₂O₂Na 405.1576, found 405.1598.

4'-Acetyl-3',5'-diphenylspiro[indoline-3,2'-pyrrolidin]-2-one (5a)

White solid (conditions A: 23.5 mg, yield 12%; conditions B: 120.3 mg, yield 63%);

m.p. 205-206°C; IR (KBr) ν 3391, 3061, 1709, 1620, 1471, 1187, 753, 699 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.70-7.72 (m, 1H), 7.54 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.35 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 6.99-7.29 (m, 9H), 6.59-6.61 (m, 1H), 5.65 (d, *J* = 10.4 Hz, 1H), 4.74 (t, *J* = 11.2 Hz, 1H), 4.32 (d, *J* = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 2.58 (s, 1H), 1.65 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 205.8, 180.2, 147.3, 142.9, 141.0, 140.4, 129.7, 128.9, 128.8, 128.5, 128.3, 124.0, 123.39, 123.33, 109.9, 72.4, 61.0, 58.9, 54.6, 31.2; HRMS (TOF-ES+) m/z: [M+H]⁺ calcd for C₂₅H₂₃N₂O₃ 383.1760, found 383.1752.

3'-Acetyl-5-fluoro-4',5'-diphenylspiro[indoline-3,2'-pyrrolidin]-2-one (4b)

White solid (conditions A: 117.0 mg, yield 59%; conditions B: 69.9 mg, yield 35%);

m.p. 122-123°C; IR (KBr) ν 3426, 3062, 3031, 2923, 1714, 1630, 1484, 1186, 816, 755, 699 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 10.62 (*br s*, 1H), 7.17-7.24 (m, 10H), 7.07 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.84-6.87 (m, 1H), 4.79 (dd, *J* = 10.0, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 4.04 (d, *J* = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 3.85 (d, *J* = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 3.76 (d, *J* = 10.4 Hz, 1H), 1.53 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 204.9, 182.3, 159.7, 157.3, 141.7, 139.6, 138.5, 133.1, 128.8, 128.7, 128.4, 127.8, 127.7, 127.2, 116.1, 115.8, 114.0, 113.7, 110.9, 110.8, 67.9, 67.67, 67.66, 67.61, 54.8, 30.8; HRMS (TOF-ES+) m/z: [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₅H₂₁N₂O₂NaF 423.1485, found 423.1480.

4'-Acetyl-5-fluoro-3',5'-diphenylspiro[indoline-3,2'-pyrrolidin]-2-one (5b)

White solid (conditions A: 41.1 mg, yield 21%; conditions B: 114.1 mg, yield 57%);

m.p. 243-245°C; IR (KBr) ν 3372, 3331, 1715, 1637, 1490, 1171, 809, 750, 700 cm^{-1} ;

^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 9.90 (s, 1H), 7.55-7.60 (m, 3H), 7.34 (t, J = 7.6 Hz

2H), 7.25 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.95-7.12 (m, 6H), 6.55 (dd, J = 8.4, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 5.46

(dd, J = 10.6, 5.8 Hz, 1H), 4.80 (t, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 4.14-4.18 (m, 2H), 1.65 (s, 3H);

^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 206.6, 180.8, 160.0, 157.6, 143.4, 138.8, 136.0,

133.1, 133.0, 129.0, 128.4, 128.3, 127.8, 127.6, 115.5, 115.3, 112.3, 112.1, 110.3,

110.2, 72.8, 60.2, 58.3, 54.2, 31.5; HRMS (TOF-ES+) m/z: [M+Na] $^+$ calcd for

$\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{21}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{NaF}$ 423.1485, found 423.1503.

3'-Acetyl-5-methyl-4',5'-diphenylspiro[indoline-3,2'-pyrrolidin]-2-one (4c)

White solid (conditions A: 118.5 mg, yield 60%; conditions B: 54.7 mg, yield 28%);

m.p. 183-184°C; IR (KBr) ν 3328, 3185, 3030, 2918, 1706, 1624, 1489, 1204, 819,

754, 699 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 10.48 (s, 1H), 7.04-7.28 (m, 11H),

6.75 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 4.80 (dd, J = 10.0, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 3.71-3.87 (m, 3H), 2.28 (s,

3H), 1.47 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 204.7, 182.4, 142.0, 140.0,

139.9, 131.2, 131.1, 129.8, 128.8, 128.7, 128.5, 127.8, 127.6, 127.2, 126.8, 109.8,

67.9, 67.7, 67.4, 55.0, 30.7, 21.3; HRMS (TOF-ES+) m/z: [M+Na] $^+$ calcd for

$\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{24}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{Na}$ 419.1735, found 419.1742.

4'-Acetyl-5-methyl-3',5'-diphenylspiro[indoline-3,2'-pyrrolidin]-2-one (5c)

White solid (conditions A: 55.8 mg, yield 28%; conditions B: 121.6 mg, yield 61%);

m.p. 186-187°C; IR (KBr) ν 3342, 3316, 3027, 2917, 2870, 1711, 1625, 1491, 1162,

818, 757, 700, 699 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 9.77 (s, 1H), 7.58 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.50 (s, 1H), 7.34 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.27 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.94-7.10 (m, 6H), 6.46 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 5.48 (dd, *J* = 10.4, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 4.79 (t, *J* = 11.2 Hz, 1H), 4.12 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 4.03 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 2.37 (s, 3H), 1.65 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 206.8, 180.7, 143.5, 140.3, 136.4, 131.0, 130.9, 129.4, 128.9, 128.3, 172.7, 127.4, 124.9, 109.3, 72.4, 60.2, 58.5, 54.2, 31.6, 21.3; HRMS (TOF-ES+) m/z: [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₆H₂₄N₂O₂Na 419.1735, found 419.1736.

3'-Acetyl-5-chloro-4',5'-diphenylspiro[indoline-3,2'-pyrrolidin]-2-one (4d)

White powder (conditions A: 104.8 mg, yield 50%; conditions B: 38.8 mg, yield 21%); m.p 130-132°C; IR (KBr) ν 3420, 3031, 2924, 1713, 1619, 1474, 1183, 817, 748, 700 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.61 (s, 1H), 7.19-7.35 (m, 12H), 6.88 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 4.95 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 4.01 (d, *J* = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 3.90 (t, *J* = 10.4 Hz, 1H), 2.55 (s, 1H), 1.62 (s, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 203.9, 182.5, 140.0, 138.7, 138.3, 132.0, 129.6, 128.9, 128.6, 128.39, 128.34, 127.8, 127.1, 126.9, 126.6, 111.5, 68.2, 67.8, 67.6, 55.1, 30.8; HRMS (TOF-ES+) m/z: [M+H]⁺ calcd for C₂₅H₂₂N₂O₂Cl 417.1370, found 417.1359.

4'-Acetyl-5-chloro-3',5'-diphenylspiro[indoline-3,2'-pyrrolidin]-2-one (5d)

White solid (conditions A: 38.8 mg, yield 19%; conditions B: 94.8 mg, yield 46%); m.p. 240-241°C; IR (KBr) ν 3442, 3353, 3282, 1714, 1622, 1480, 1176, 815, 749, 701 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*6) δ 10.01 (s, 1H), 7.71 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.58 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.97-7.36 (m, 9H), 6.57 (d, *J* = 8.4, 1H), 5.47 (dd, *J* = 16.8, 6.0

Hz, 1H), 4.77 (t, $J = 11.2$ Hz, 1H), 4.14-4.20 (m, 2H), 1.63 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 206.5, 180.5, 143.3, 141.6, 135.9, 133.2, 129.0, 128.9, 128.4, 128.28, 128.24, 127.7, 127.6, 126.2, 124.5, 110.9, 72.5, 60.2, 58.3, 54.2, 31.4; HRMS (TOF-ES+) m/z: [M+Na] $^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{21}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{NaCl}$ 439.1168, found 439.1189.

3'-Acetyl-6-bromo-4',5'-diphenylspiro[indoline-3,2'-pyrrolidin]-2-one (4e)

White solid (conditions A: 141.7 mg, yield 62%; conditions B: 88.3 mg, yield 19%); m.p. 176-178°C; IR (KBr) ν 3325, 3182, 3029, 1708, 1612, 1452, 1325, 699 cm $^{-1}$; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 10.74 (s, 1H), 7.63-7.17 (m, 12H), 7.016-7.020 (m, 1H), 4.80 (dd, $J = 10.0, 4.8$ Hz, 1H), 4.03 (d, $J = 4.8$ Hz, 1H), 3.83 (d, $J = 10.8$ Hz, 1H), 3.74 (t, $J = 10.0$ Hz, 1H), 1.53 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 204.8, 182.2, 144.0, 141.8, 139.6, 130.6, 128.9, 128.7, 128.5, 128.1, 127.8, 127.6, 127.2, 125.0, 122.1, 112.9, 67.8, 67.4, 55.4, 55.0, 30.9; HRMS (TOF-ES+) m/z: [M+H] $^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{Br}$ 461.0865, found 461.0861.

4'-Acetyl-6-bromo-3',5'-diphenylspiro[indoline-3,2'-pyrrolidin]-2-one (5e)

White solid (conditions A: 35.4 mg, yield 15%; conditions B: 139.8 mg, yield 61%); m.p. 232-234°C; IR (KBr) ν 3390, 3193, 3030, 1709, 1610, 1452, 1326, 700 cm $^{-1}$; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 10.02 (s, 1H), 7.64 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.57 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.25-7.35 (m, 4H), 7.12-7.13 (m, 3H), 6.96-6.98 (m, 2H), 6.70-6.71 (m, 1H), 5.46 (dd, $J = 10.8, 6.0$ Hz, 1H), 4.79 (t, $J = 11.2$ Hz, 1H), 4.12-4.18 (m, 2H), 1.65 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 206.5, 180.6, 144.4, 143.4, 136.0, 130.4, 128.9, 128.4, 128.3, 127.8, 127.6, 126.4, 124.8, 121.6, 112.3, 72.2, 60.1, 58.2, 54.0,

31.5; HRMS (TOF-ES+) m/z: [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₅H₂₁N₂O₂NaBr 483.0684, found 483.0681.

**3'-Acetyl-4'-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-5'-phenylspiro[indoline-3,2'-pyrrolidin]-2-one
(4f)**

White solid (conditions A: 145.5 mg, yield 73%; conditions B: 17.5 mg, yield 9%); m.p. 210-211°C; IR (KBr) ν 3381, 3310, 1694, 1621, 1470, 1352, 1251, 1225, 752, 704 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.63-8.72 (m, 1H), 7.49 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 7.07-7.41 (m, 10H), 6.98 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.86-6.92 (m, 2H), 5.20 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 4.19 (t, *J* = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 4.03 (dd, *J* = 10.8, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 2.53 (s, 1H), 1.61 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 205.3, 182.1, 156.0, 142.7, 142.3, 131.4, 129.9, 129.3, 128.3, 127.8, 127.5, 127.4, 126.1, 125.5, 122.2, 119.5, 115.8, 109.9, 68.0, 66.5, 66.2, 49.4, 30.6; HRMS (TOF-ES+) m/z: [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₅H₂₂N₂O₃Na 421.1528, found 421.1518.

**4'-Acetyl-3'-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-5'-phenylspiro[indoline-3,2'-pyrrolidin]-2-one
(5f)**

White solid (conditions A: 25.7 mg, yield 13%; conditions B: 141.7 mg, yield 71%); m.p. 213-215°C; IR (KBr) ν 3376, 3256, 3189, 3078, 1702, 1673, 1471, 1455, 1361, 1257, 753, 704 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 9.91 (s, 1H), 8.96 (s, 1H), 7.62 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.58 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.29-7.36 (m, 3H), 7.25 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.09 (td, *J* = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 6.99 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.87 (td, *J* = 8.0, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 6.62 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.51-6.55 (m, 2H), 5.45 (dd, *J* = 10.4, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 4.83 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 4.62 (t, *J* = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 3.98 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 1.53 (s,

3H); ^{13}C NMR (100MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 207.2, 181.5, 156.3, 143.6, 142.6, 130.9, 128.7, 128.6, 128.2, 127.9, 127.6, 125.5, 122.6, 121.6, 118.9, 115.2, 109.1, 72.1, 60.5, 60.3, 45.1, 30.9; HRMS (TOF-ES+) m/z: [M+H] $^+$ calcd for C₂₅H₂₃N₂O₃ 399.1709, found 399.1700.

3'-Acetyl-5'-phenyl-4'-(pyridin-2-yl)spiro[indoline-3,2'-pyrrolidin]-2-one (4g)

White powder, combined yield of **4g** and **5g** (conditions A: 172.3 mg, yield 90%; conditions B: 160.9 mg, yield 84%); IR (KBr) ν 3334, 3083, 3060, 1712, 1619, 1471, 1187, 753, 701 cm⁻¹; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 9.12 (s, 1H), 8.58 (s, 1H), 7.07-7.55 (m, 12H), 6.96 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H) 6.90 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 5.03 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 4.58 (d, J = 11.2 Hz, 1H), 4.08 (dd, J = 10.8, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 1.61 (s, 3H); HRMS (TOF-ES+) m/z: [M+Na] $^+$ calcd for C₂₄H₂₁N₃O₂Na 406.1531, found 406.1538.

*Note: Compounds **4g** and **5g** cannot be separated by column chromatography. Pure **4g** was obtained by recrystallization and the regioisomeric ratio was determined by ^1H NMR spectroscopy of the mixture of **4g** and **5g**.*

4'-Acetyl-5'-phenyl-3'-(pyridin-2-yl)spiro[indoline-3,2'-pyrrolidin]-2-one (5g)

White crystals; m.p. 209-211°C; IR (KBr) ν 3420, 3339, 3191, 3084, 1707, 1618, 1472, 1190, 754 cm⁻¹; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 9.91 (s, 1H), 8.35 (d, J = 4.4 Hz, 1H), 7.69 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.08-7.58 (m, 9H), 6.65 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.49 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 5.43 (dd, J = 10.4, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 5.09 (t, J = 11.2 Hz, 1H), 4.32 (d, J = 11.2 Hz, 1H), 4.08 (d, J = 5.6 Hz, 1H), 1.71 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 206.9, 180.2, 156.2, 149.0, 143.7, 142.9, 136.2, 131.2, 129.3, 128.9, 128.2, 127.6,

124.3, 122.58, 122.50, 122.2, 109.6, 71.0, 59.8, 57.3, 55.5, 31.3; HRMS (TOF-ES+)

m/z: $[M+Na]^+$ calcd for $C_{24}H_{21}N_3O_2Na$ 406.1531, found 406.1516.

3'-Acetyl-4'-(2-nitrophenyl)-5'-phenylspiro[indoline-3,2'-pyrrolidin]-2-one (4h)

White solid (conditions A: 131.6 mg, yield 62%; conditions B: 99.8 mg, yield 47%);

m.p. 213-214°C; IR (KBr) ν 3393, 3321, 1715, 1620, 1484, 1440, 1347, 1185, 844,

750, 702 cm^{-1} ; 1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 10.65 (s, 1H), 8.13 (d, J = 8.4 Hz,

2H), 7.51 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.20-7.30 (m, 7H), 7.02 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.89 (d, J =

7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.88 (t, J = 4.4 Hz, 1H), 4.06 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 3.91-3.92 (m, 2H),

1.47 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 204.5, 182.2, 148.1, 146.9, 142.4,

141.3, 130.9, 130.1, 129.7, 128.6, 128.0, 127.5, 126.1, 124.0, 122.4, 110.1, 67.7,

67.33, 67.26, 54.9, 30.4; HRMS (TOF-ES+) m/z: $[M+H]^+$ calcd for $C_{25}H_{22}N_3O_4$

428.1610, found 428.1606.

4'-Acetyl-3'-(2-nitrophenyl)-5'-phenylspiro[indoline-3,2'-pyrrolidin]-2-one (5h)

White solid (conditions A: 64.8 mg, yield 30%; conditions B: 81.7 mg, yield 38%);

m.p. 213-214°C; IR (KBr) ν 3339, 3155, 3074, 3033, 2891, 1701, 1622, 1521, 1471,

1347, 753, 703 cm^{-1} ; 1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 9.97 (s, 1H), 7.98 (d, J = 8.4

Hz, 2H), 7.74 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.60 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.09-7.37 (m, 7H), 6.59 (d,

J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 5.52 (dd, J = 10.4, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 4.90 (t, J = 11.2 Hz, 1H), 4.31 (d, J =

11.6 Hz, 1H), 4.21 (d, J = 5.6 Hz, 1H), 1.68 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6)

δ 206.4, 180.4, 147.1, 144.5, 143.4, 142.5, 130.2, 129.7, 129.5, 129.0, 128.3, 127.9,

124.6, 123.4, 122.5, 109.7, 72.3, 60.2, 58.6, 53.8, 31.4; HRMS (TOF-ES+) m/z:

$[M+H]^+$ calcd for $C_{25}H_{22}N_3O_4$ 428.1610, found 428.1599.

3'-Acetyl-4'-(4-nitrophenyl)-5'-phenylspiro[indoline-3,2'-pyrrolidin]-2-one (4i)

White solid (conditions A: 139.0 mg, yield 65%; conditions B: 104.1 mg, yield 49%);

m.p. 267-268°C; IR (KBr) ν 3393, 3321, 2940, 2882, 1715, 1513, 1470, 1346, 1186, 750, 702 cm^{-1} ; 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 8.13 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 2H), 7.70 (*br s*, 1H), 7.51 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.11-7.34 (m, 8H), 7.13 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 6.93 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 5.05 (d, $J = 10.4$ Hz, 1H), 4.12 (t, $J = 10.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.96 (d, $J = 10.8$ Hz, 1H), 1.56 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 205.8, 180.3, 147.4, 143.0, 141.1, 140.5, 129.8, 129.0, 128.8, 128.6, 128.3, 124.1, 123.4, 123.3, 110.0, 72.5, 61.0, 58.9, 54.6, 31.3; HRMS (TOF-ES+) m/z: $[M+Na]^+$ calcd for $C_{25}H_{21}N_3O_4Na$ 450.1430, found 450.1448.

4'-Acetyl-3'-(4-nitrophenyl)-5'-phenylspiro[indoline-3,2'-pyrrolidin]-2-one (5i)

White solid (conditions A: 59.6 mg, yield 28%; conditions B: 75.3 mg, yield 35%);

m.p. 217-218°C; IR (KBr) ν 3411, 3340, 3074, 2891, 1698, 1621, 1521, 1471, 1346, 849, 752, 702 cm^{-1} ; 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.95 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 2H), 7.71 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.53 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.38 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.18-7.33 (m, 6H), 6.65 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 5.68 (d, $J = 10.8$ Hz, 1H), 4.75 (t, $J = 11.8$ Hz, 1H), 4.44 (d, $J = 11.2$ Hz, 1H), 1.68 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $DMSO-d_6$) δ 206.3, 180.3, 147.1, 144.5, 143.3, 142.5, 130.2, 129.7, 129.5, 128.9, 128.3, 127.9, 124.5, 123.3, 122.4, 109.8, 72.4, 60.3, 58.7, 53.9, 31.4; HRMS (TOF-ES+) m/z: $[M+H]^+$ calcd for $C_{25}H_{22}N_3O_4$ 428.1610, found 428.1626.

3'-Acetyl-5'-phenyl-4'-(*o*-tolyl)spiro[indoline-3,2'-pyrrolidin]-2-one (4j**)**

White solid (conditions A: 142.1 mg, yield 72%; conditions B: 110.5 mg, yield 56%);

m.p. 200-202°C; IR (KBr) ν 3346, 3195, 1710, 1623, 1471, 1357, 1180, 743, 702 cm⁻¹;

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.20-9.28 (m, 1H), 7.67 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (d, *J*

= 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.19-7.31 (m, 7H), 7.13 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.07 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H),

6.99 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 4.90 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.27 (t, *J* = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 4.08 (d, *J*

= 10.4 Hz, 1H), 2.60 (s, 1H), 1.98 (s, 3H), 1.55 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

δ 204.7, 183.5, 140.54, 140.48, 140.45, 137.9, 137.2, 130.3, 130.2, 129.7, 128.3,

127.7, 126.7, 126.6, 126.3, 126.1, 123.6, 110.4, 69.5, 68.2, 68.0, 50.3, 30.7, 19.6;

HRMS (TOF-ES+) m/z: [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₆H₂₄N₂O₂Na 419.1735, found

419.1739.

4'-Acetyl-5'-phenyl-3'-(*o*-tolyl)spiro[indoline-3,2'-pyrrolidin]-2-one (5j**)**

White solid (conditions A: 40.1 mg, yield 20%; conditions B: 73.7 mg, yield 37%);

m.p. 206-207°C; IR (KBr) ν 3380, 3203, 1709, 1620, 1471, 1360, 750, 700 cm⁻¹; ¹H

NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 9.98 (s, 1H), 7.64 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.59 (d, *J* = 6.8

Hz, 2H), 7.51 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.35 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.26 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H),

6.96-7.14 (m, 4H), 6.89 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.55 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 5.57 (dd, *J* = 8.8,

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¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 206.9, 181.7, 143.5, 142.6, 137.7, 135.2, 130.8,

130.4, 129.2, 128.9, 128.3, 127.8, 127.4, 127.0, 126.1, 124.8, 121.6, 109.6, 72.4, 61.8,

60.5, 48.9, 31.6, 20.1; HRMS (TOF-ES+) m/z: [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₆H₂₄N₂O₂Na

419.1735, found 419.1714.

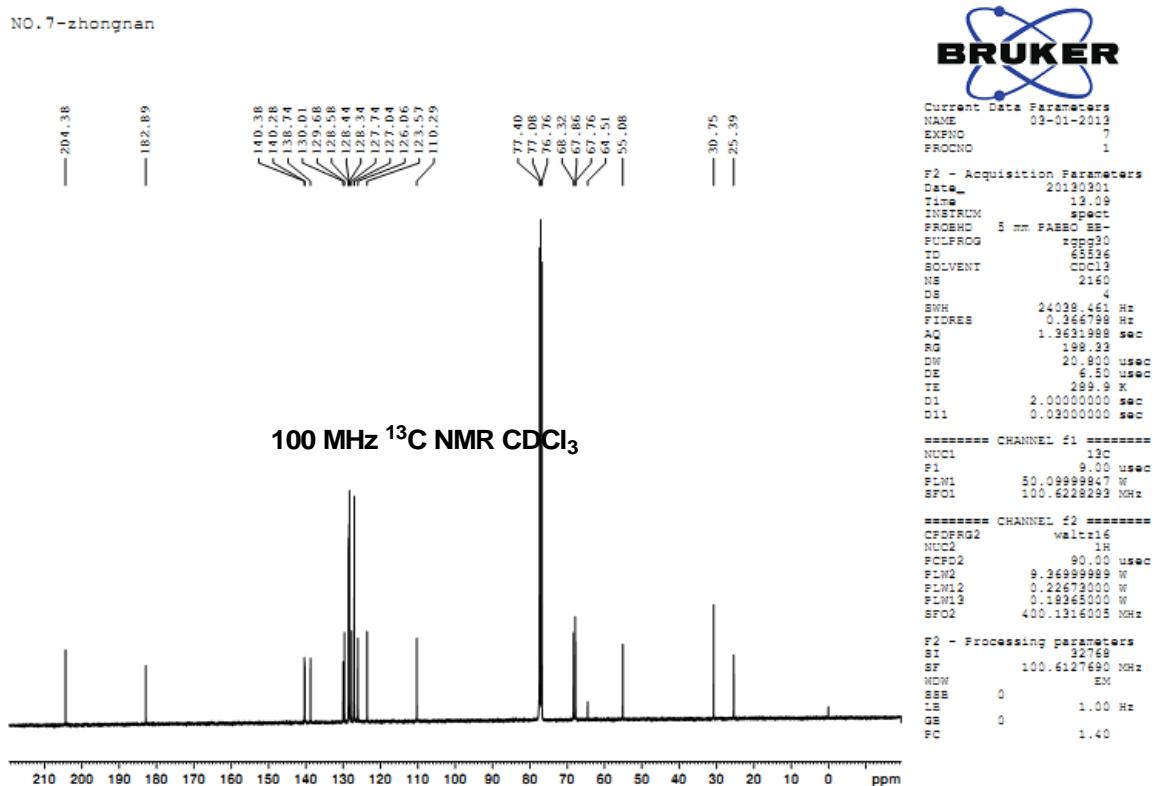
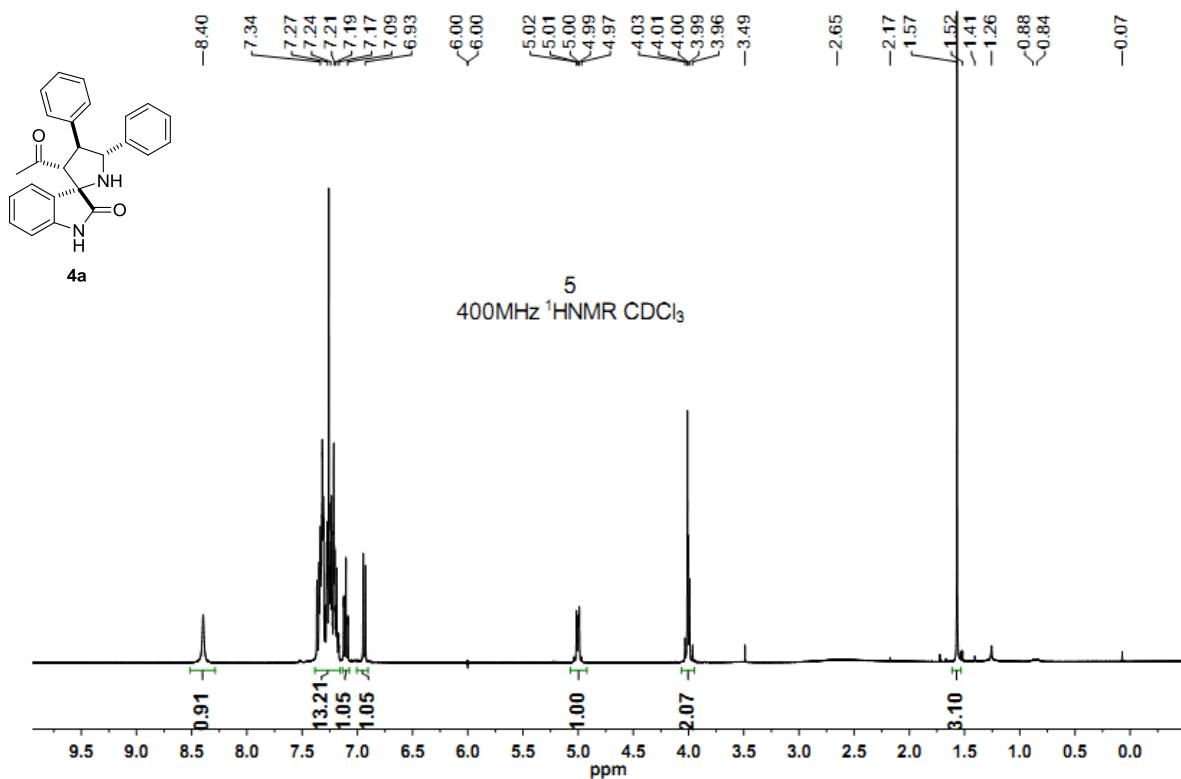
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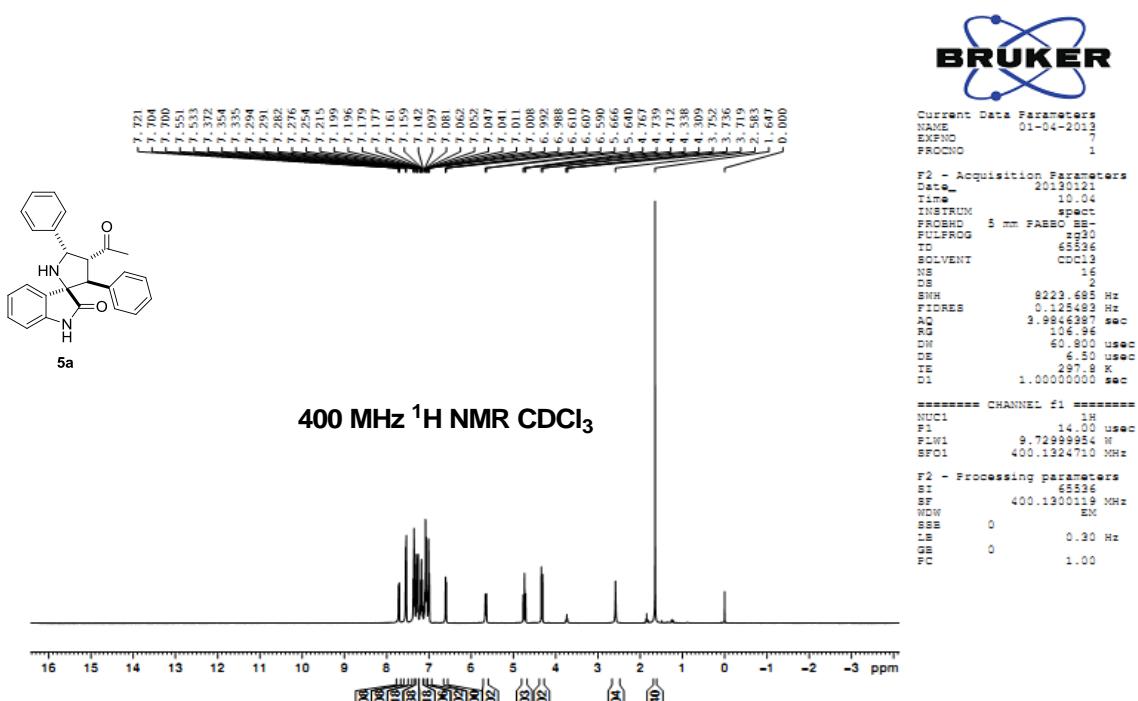
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¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 10.64 (s, 1H), 9.30 (s, 1H), 7.39-7.41 (m, 7H),
7.05-7.21 (m, 3H), 6.95 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.73 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 4.84 (dd, *J* =
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Hz, 1H), 1.56 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 204.9, 182.5, 156.5, 142.3,
131.3, 129.8, 129.5, 129.4, 128.4, 127.6, 127.5, 126.2, 122.3, 115.6, 110.0, 67.8, 67.7,
67.3, 54.3, 30.8; HRMS (TOF-ES+) m/z: [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₅H₂₂N₂O₃Na 421.1528,
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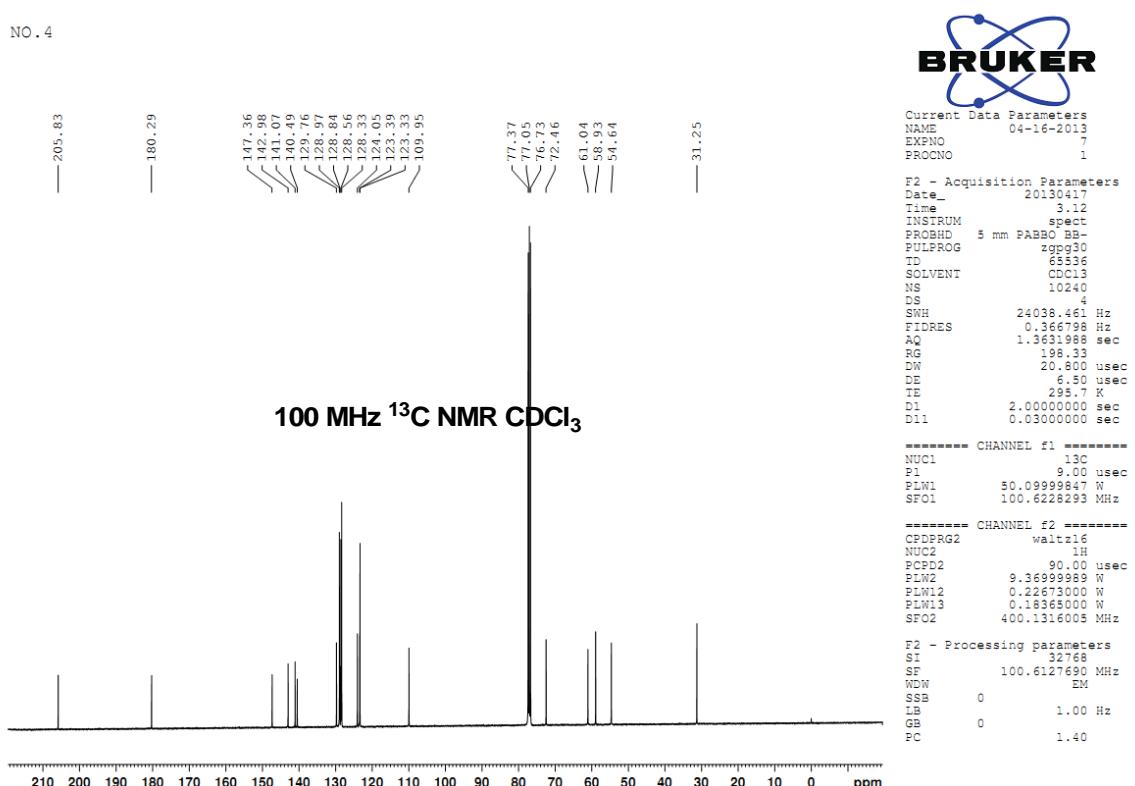
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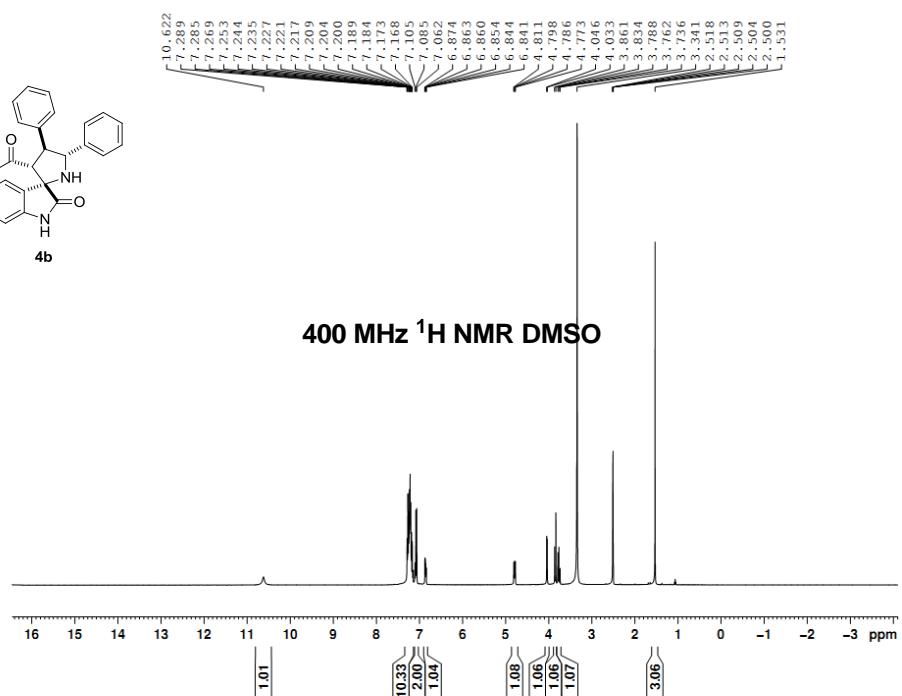
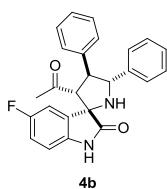




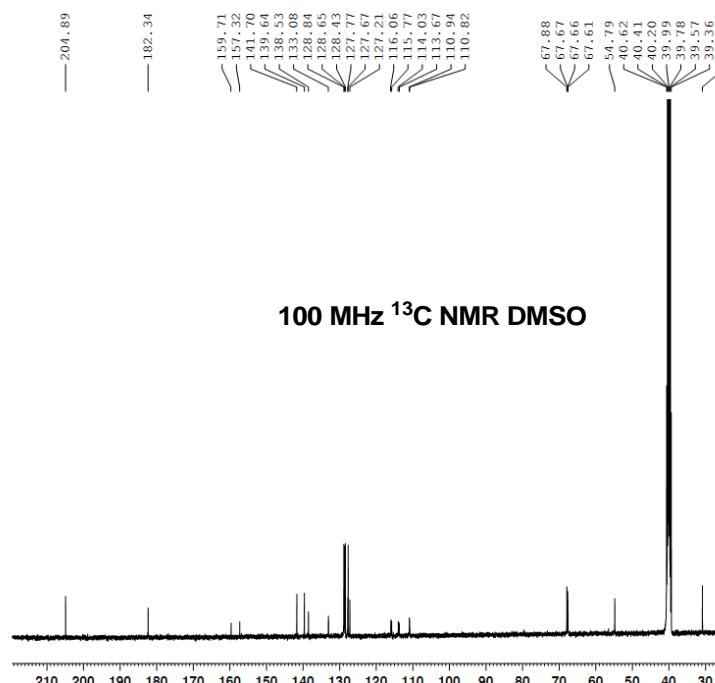
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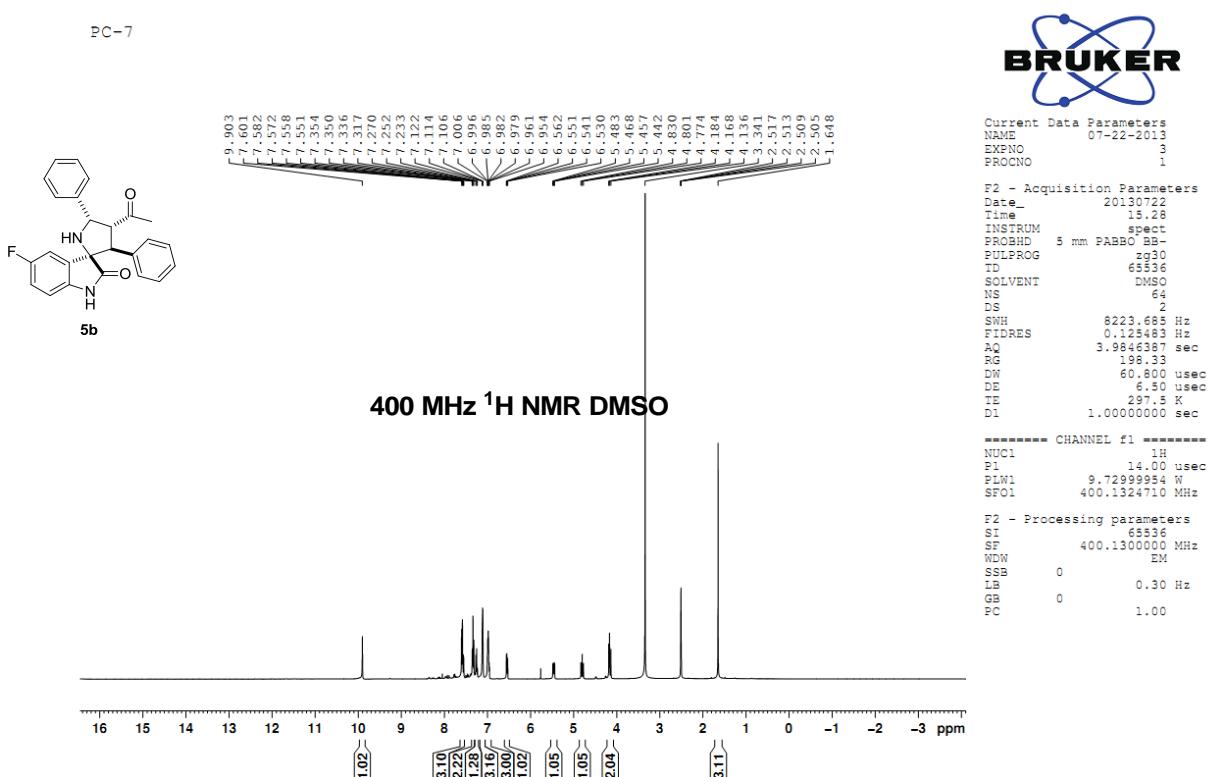
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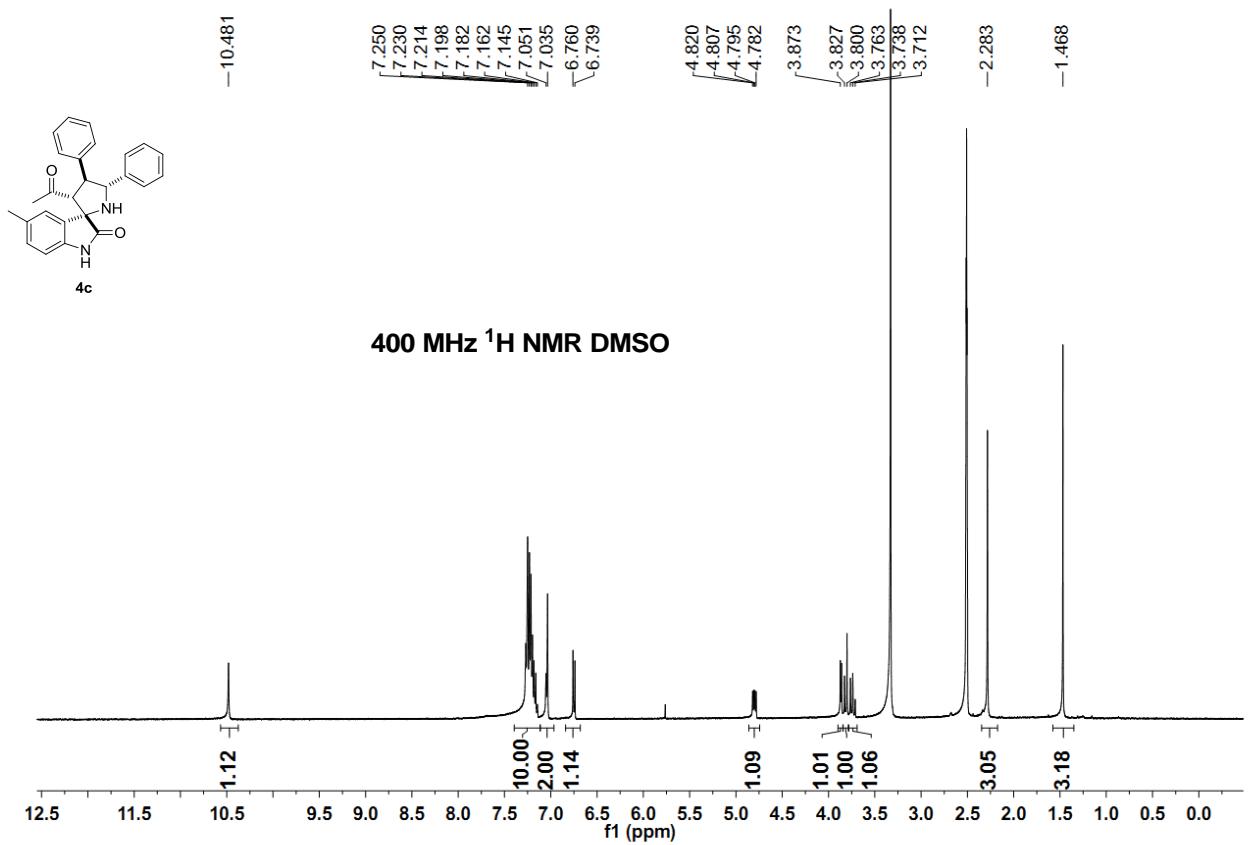


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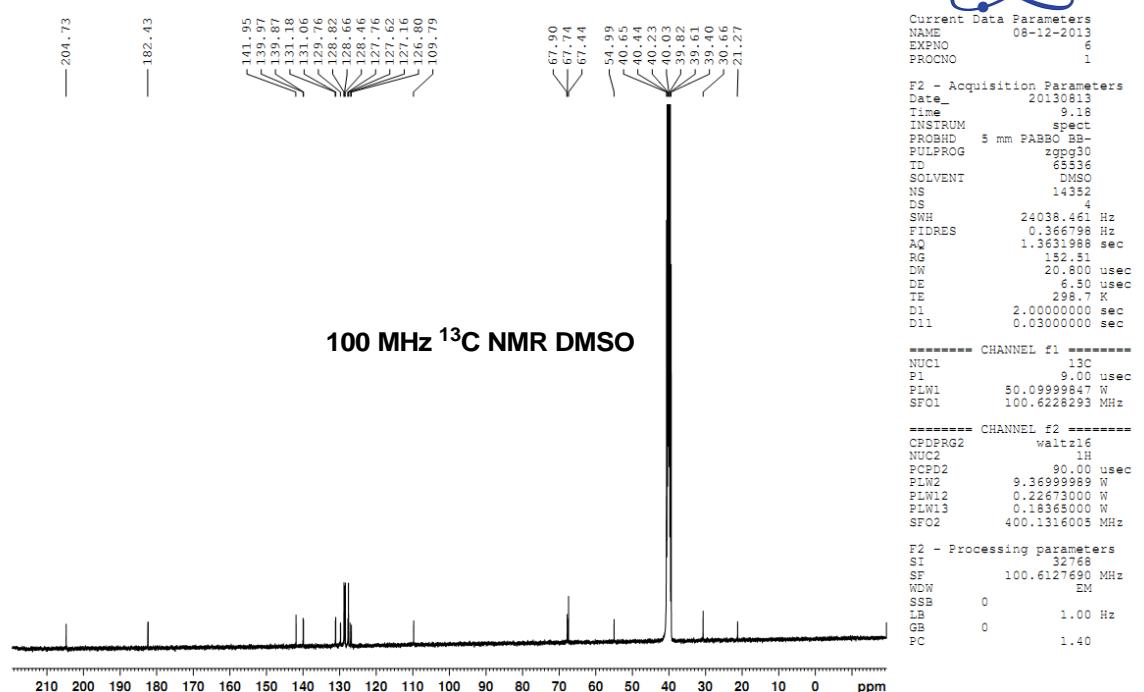


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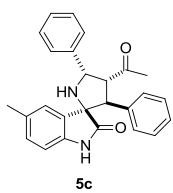
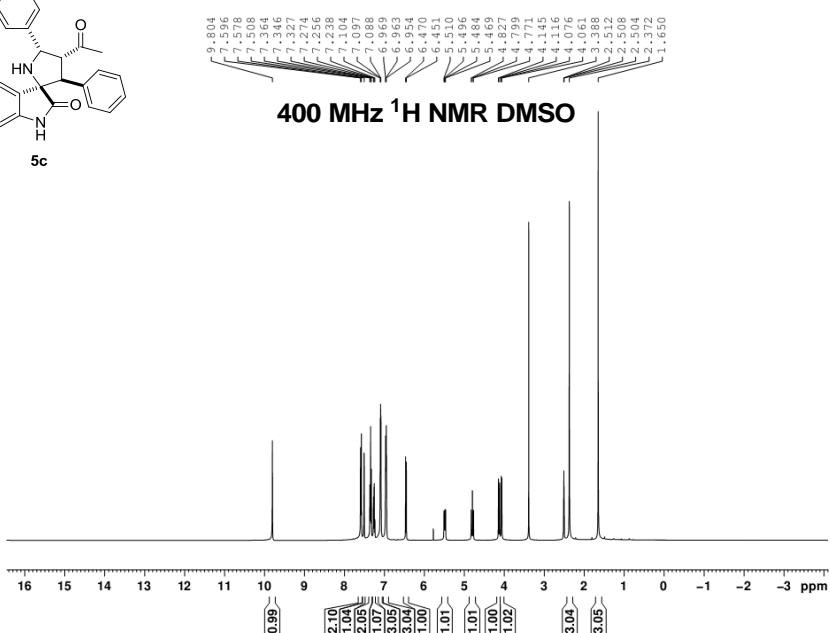




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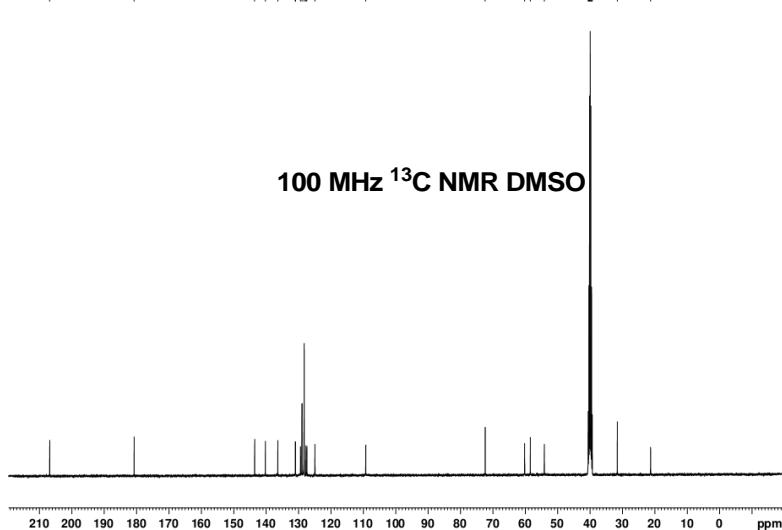
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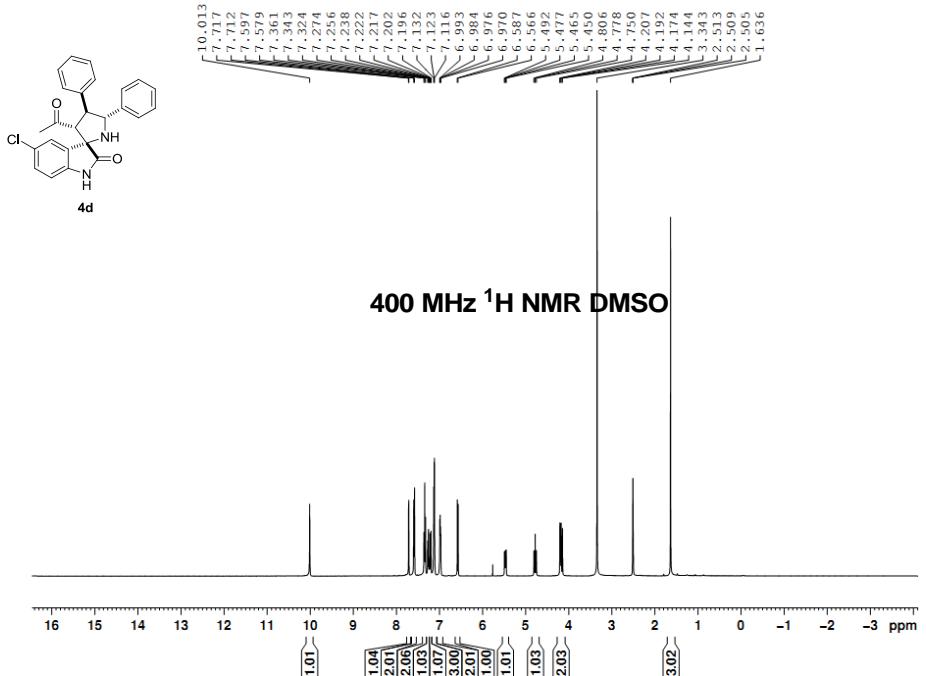
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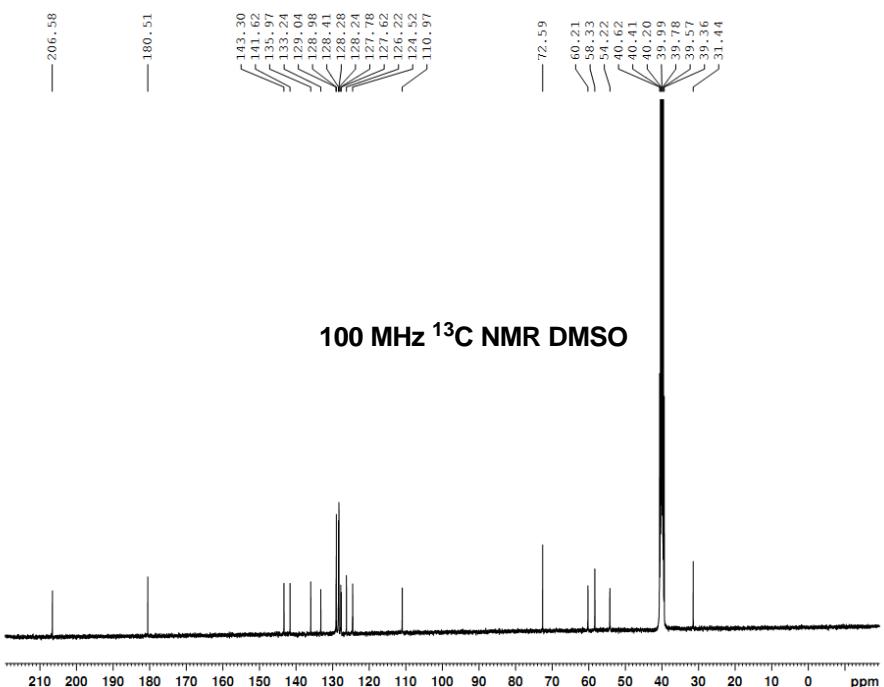
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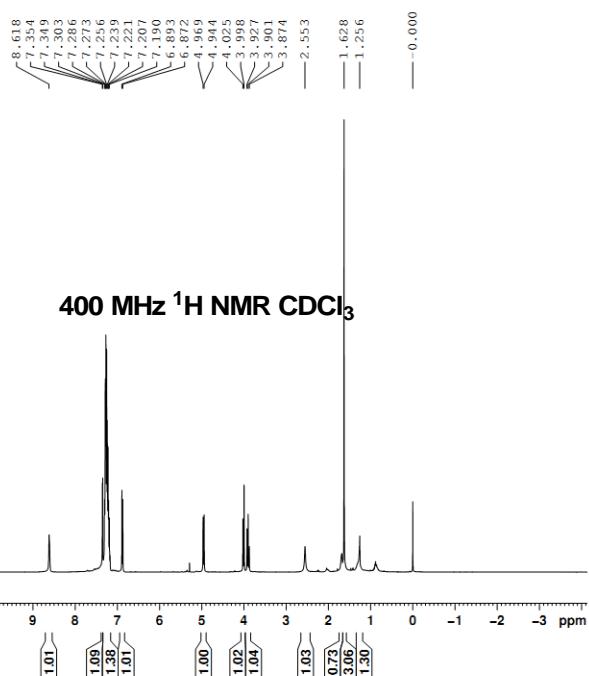
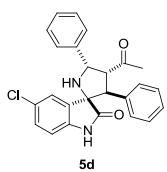
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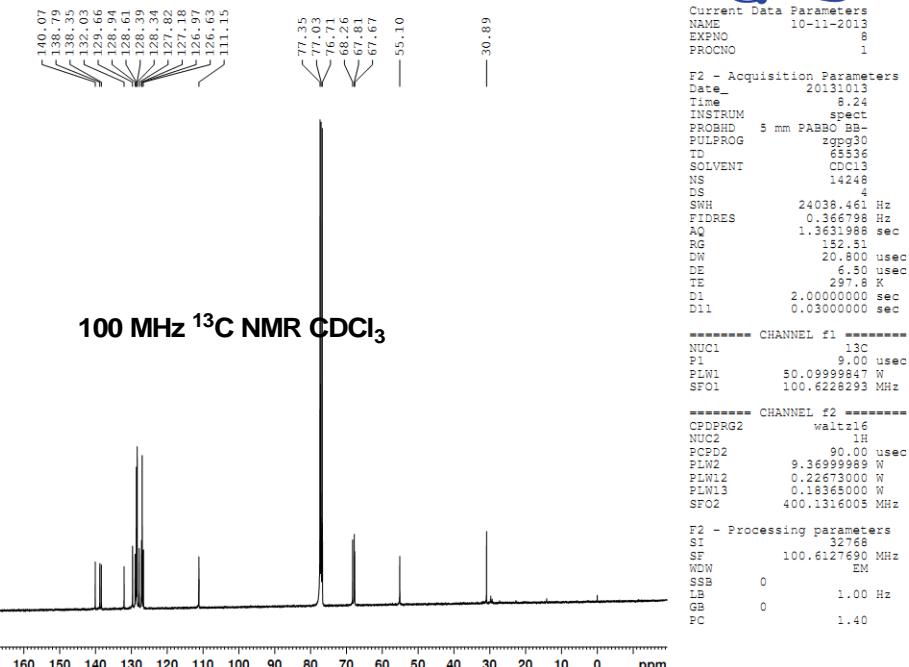
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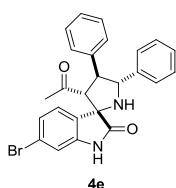
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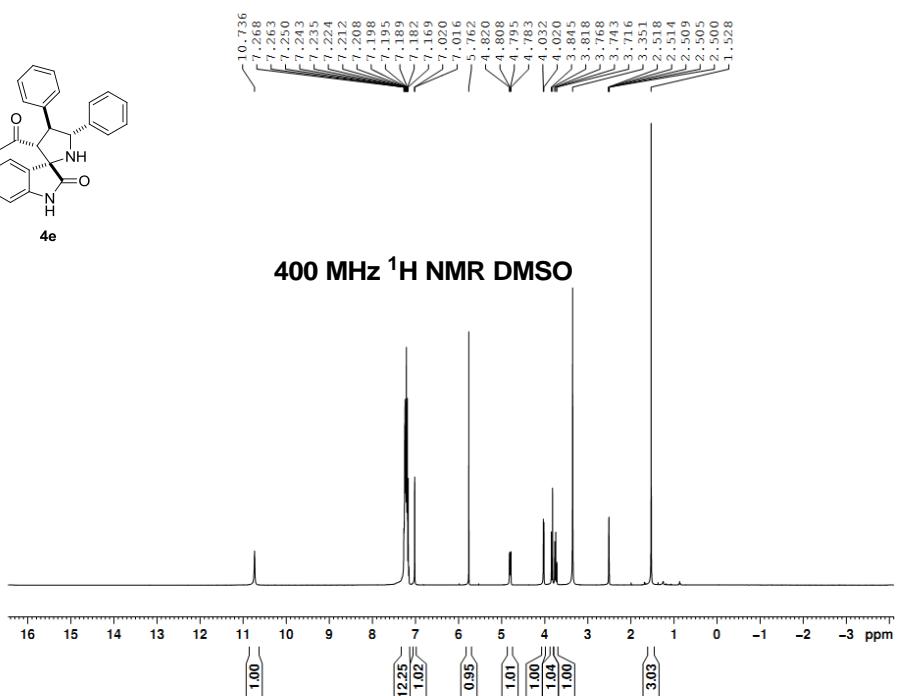
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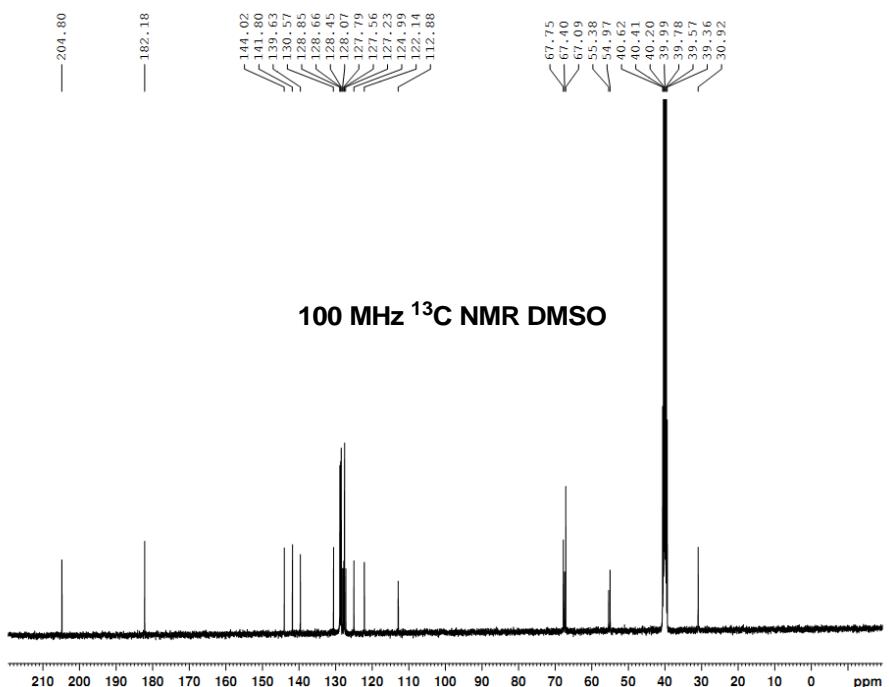
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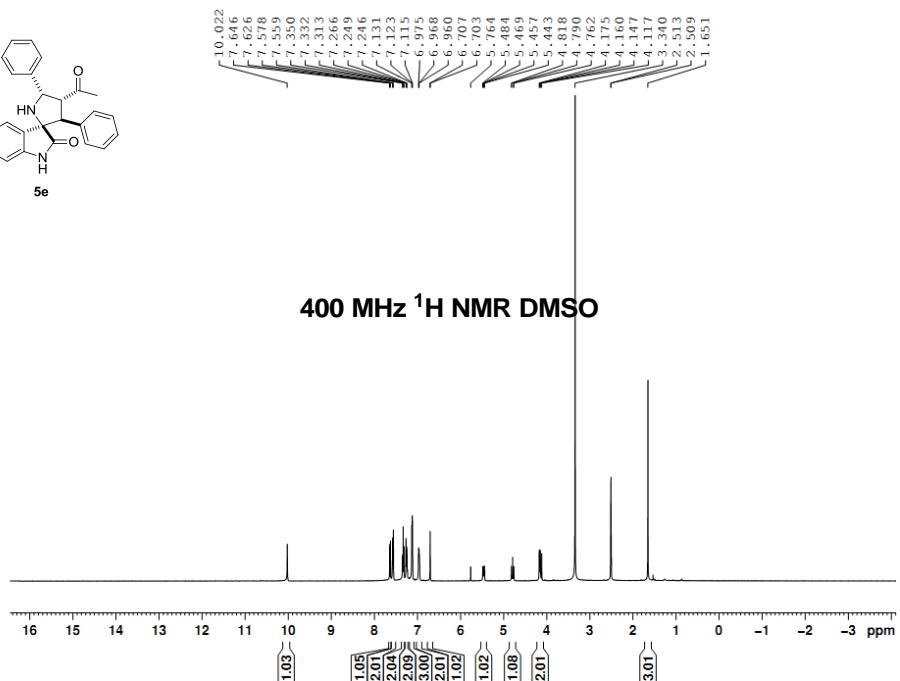
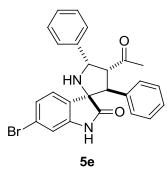
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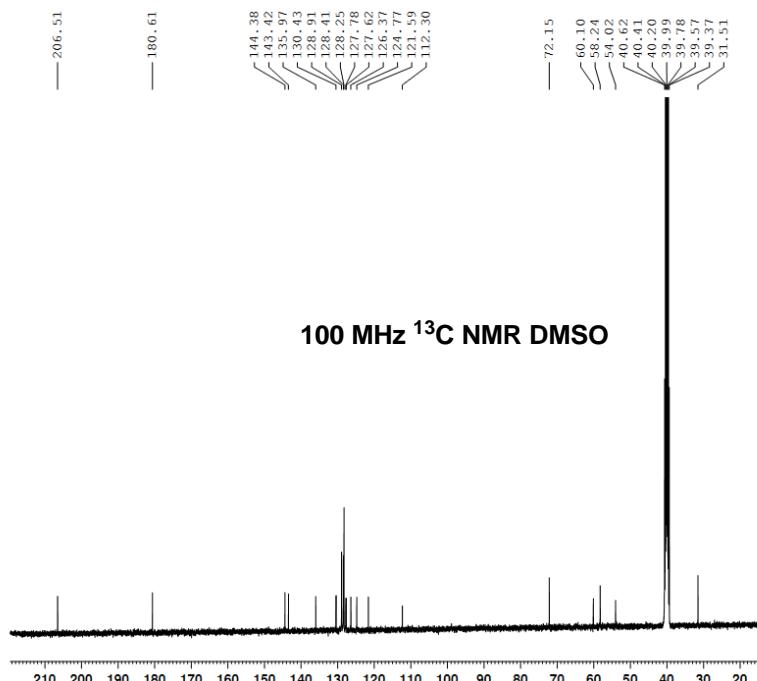
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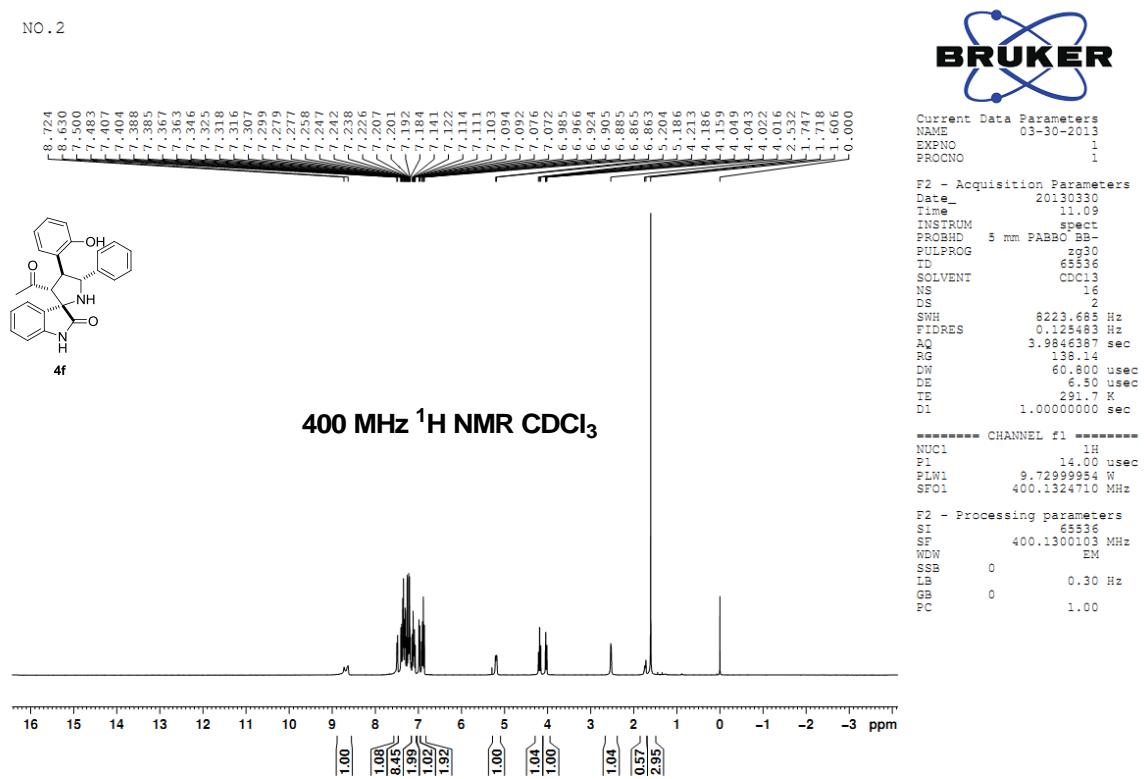
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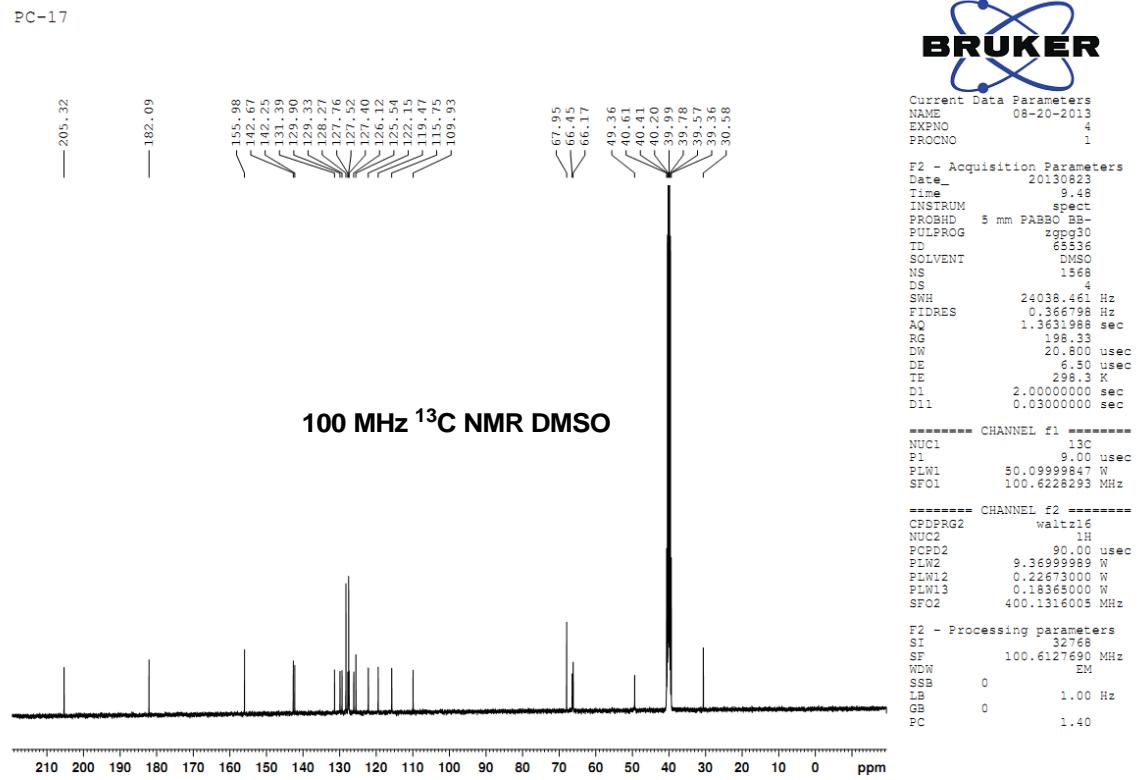
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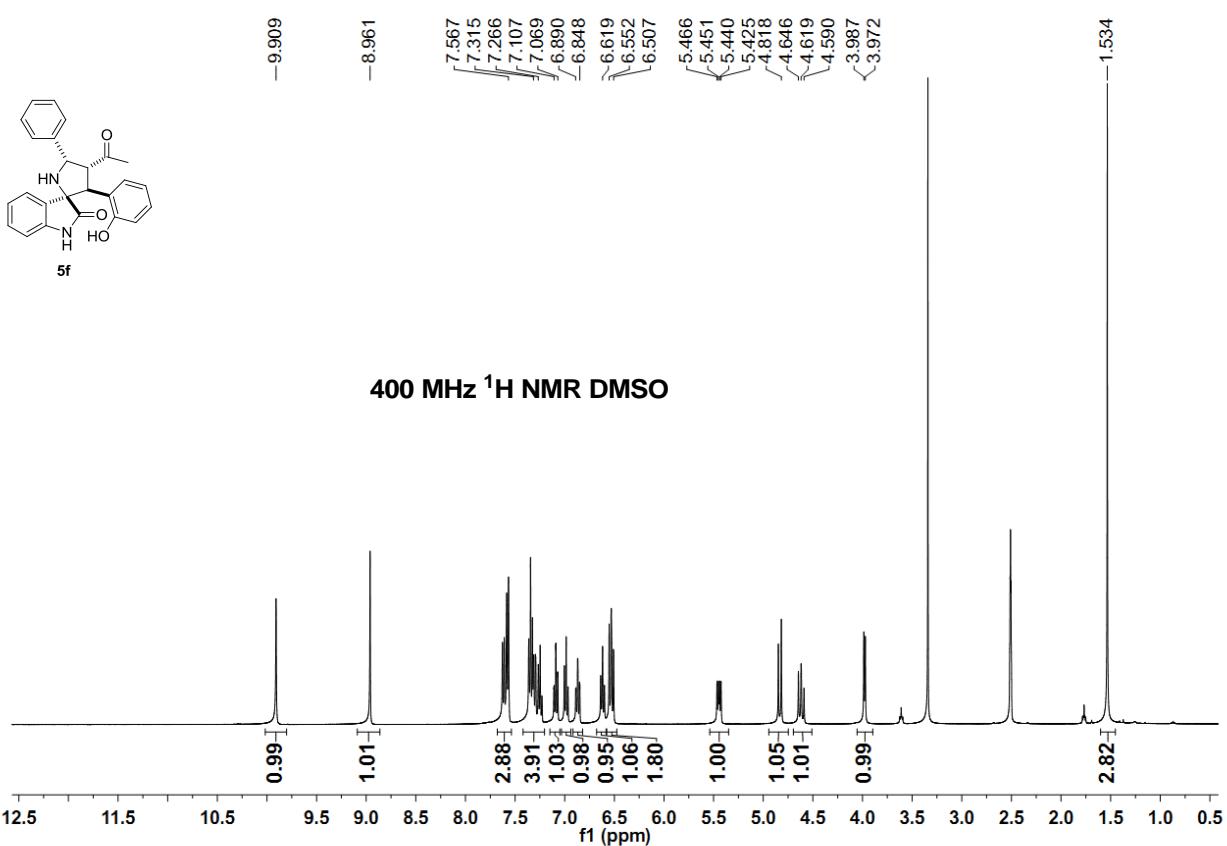


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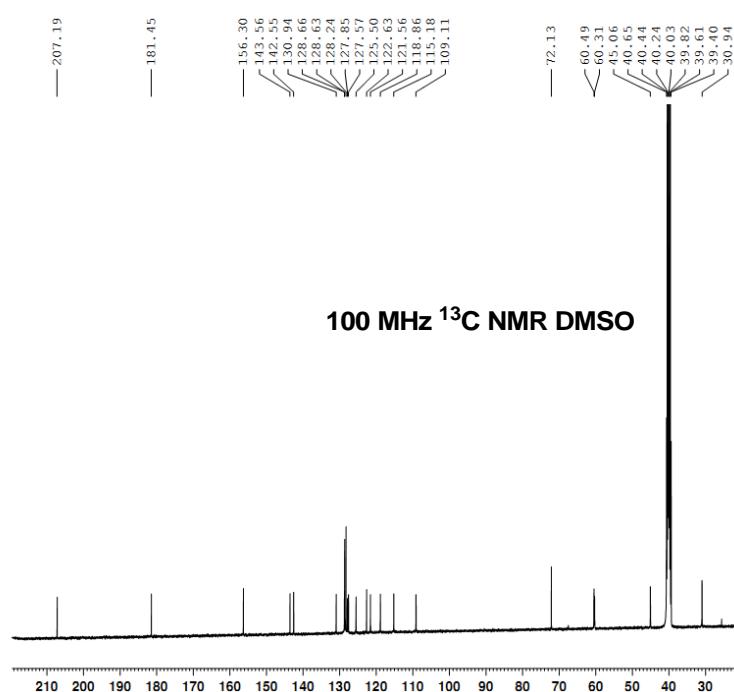
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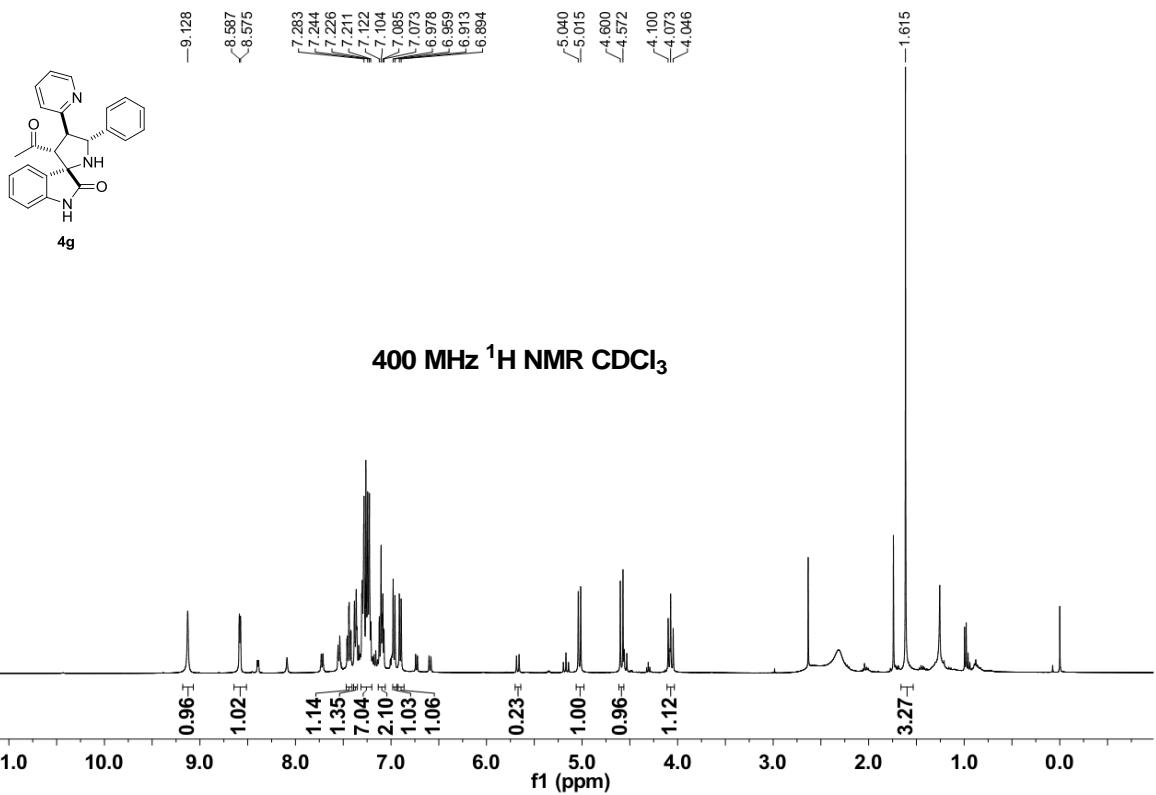
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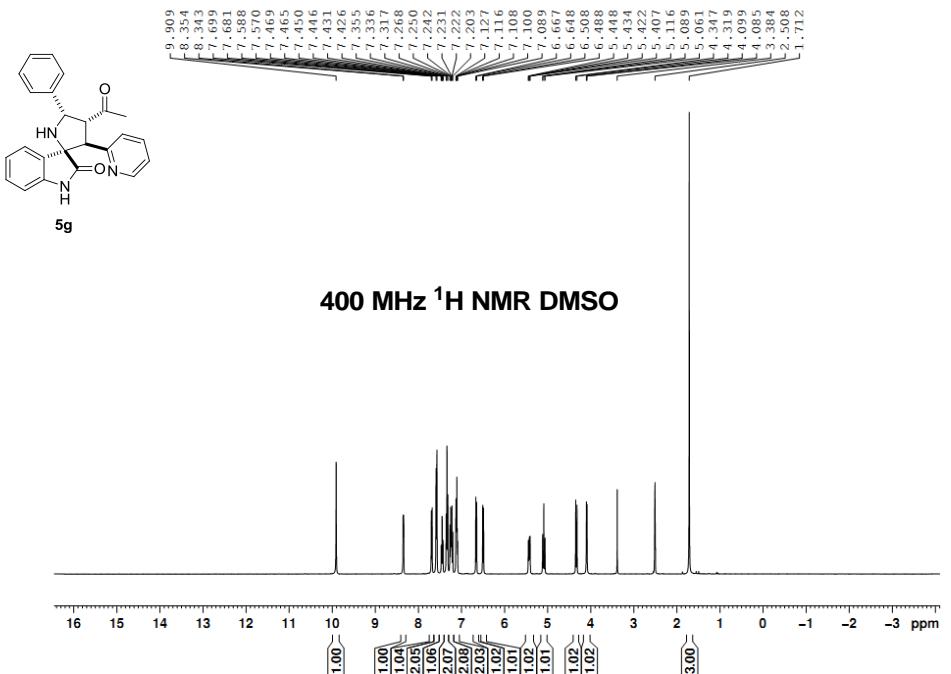
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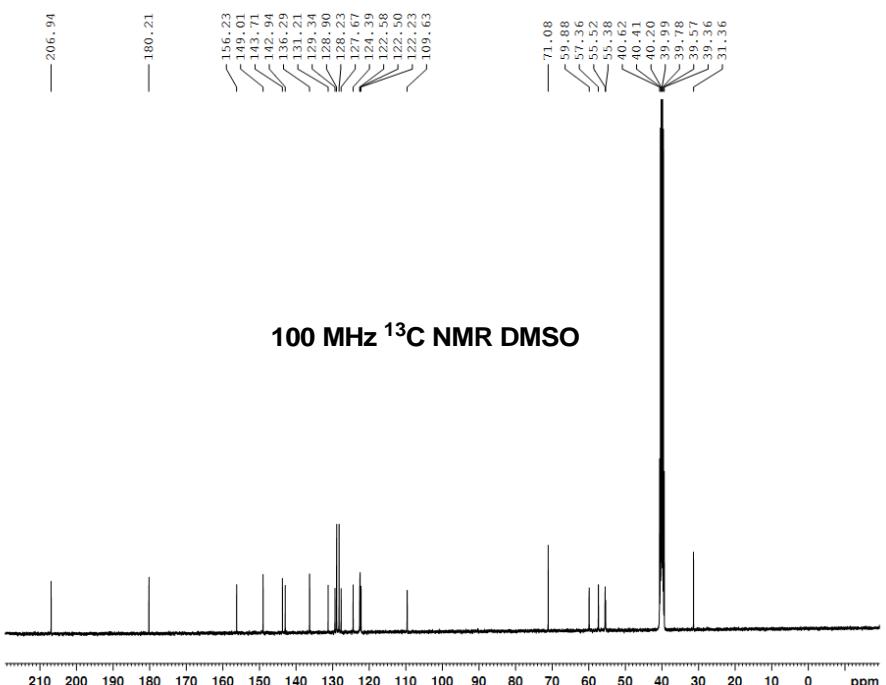




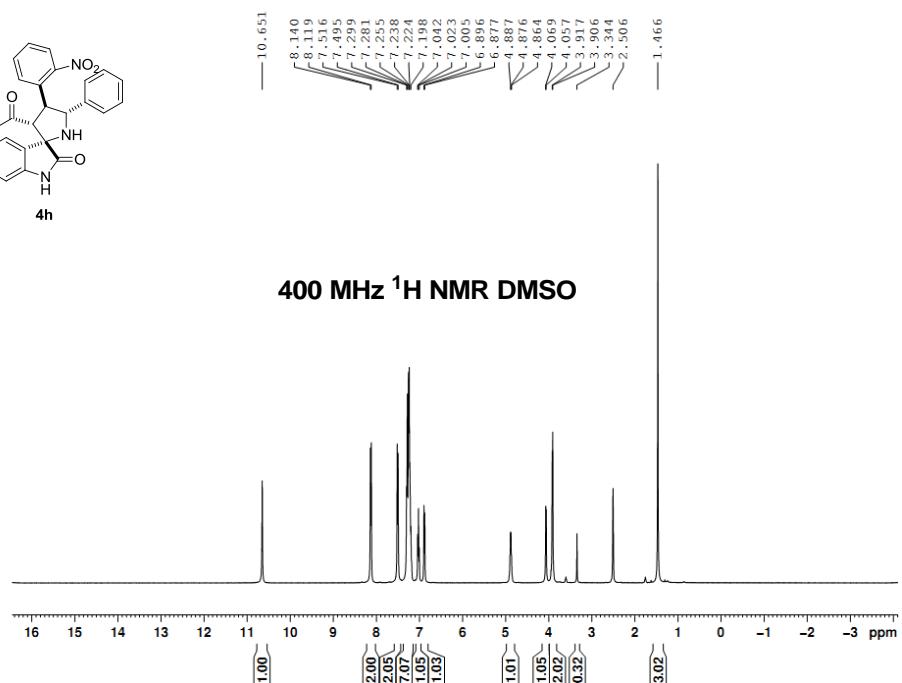
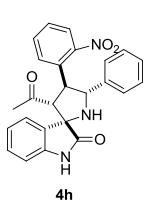
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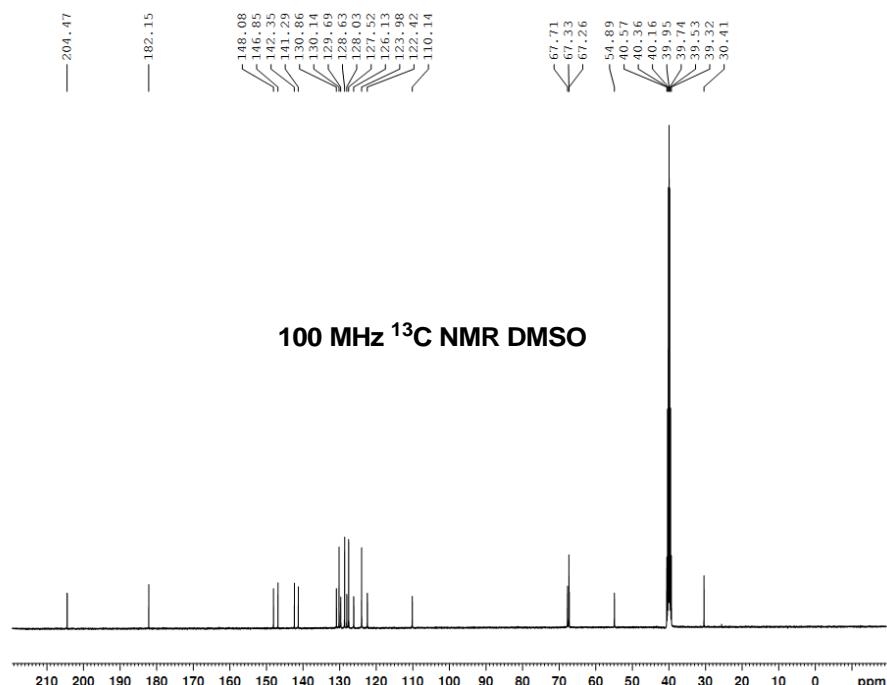
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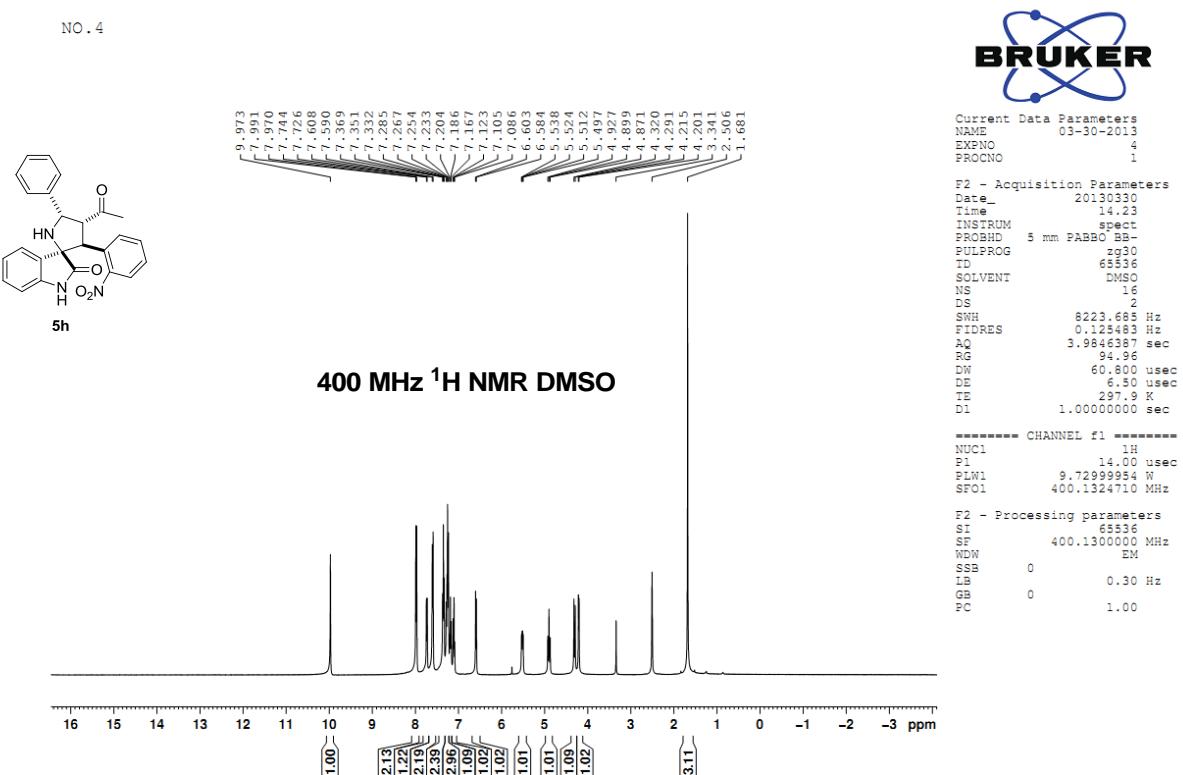
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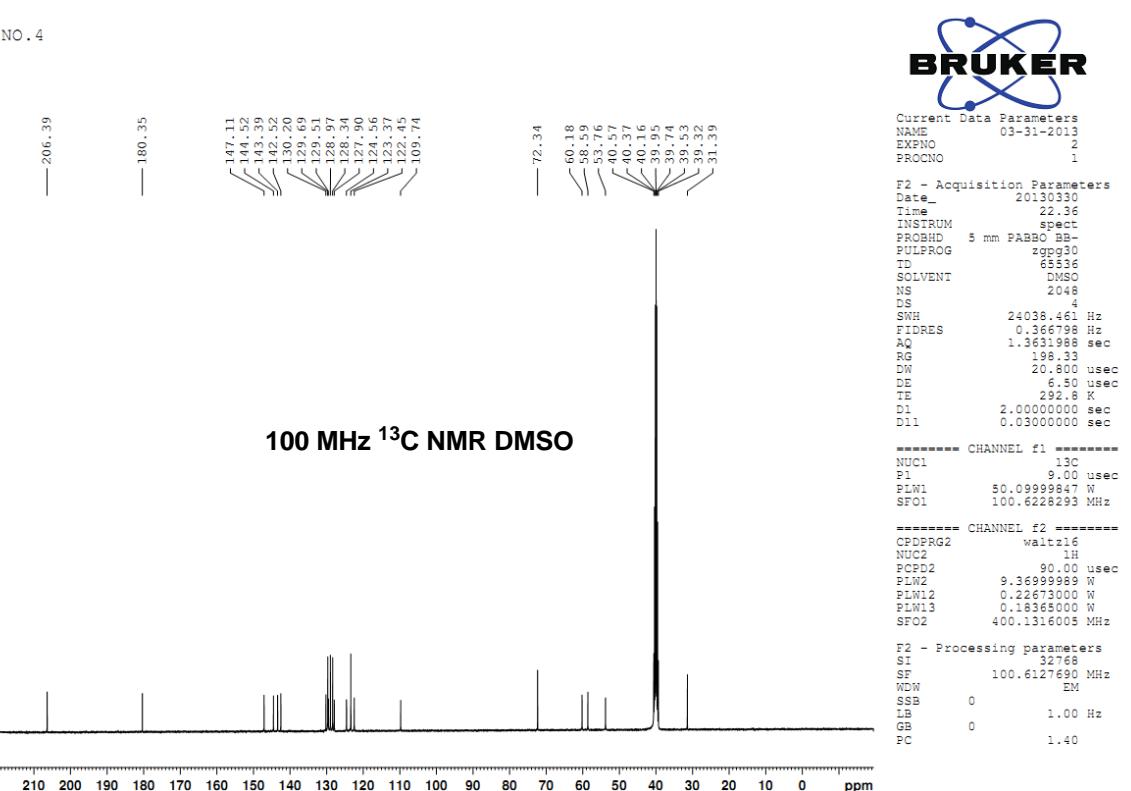
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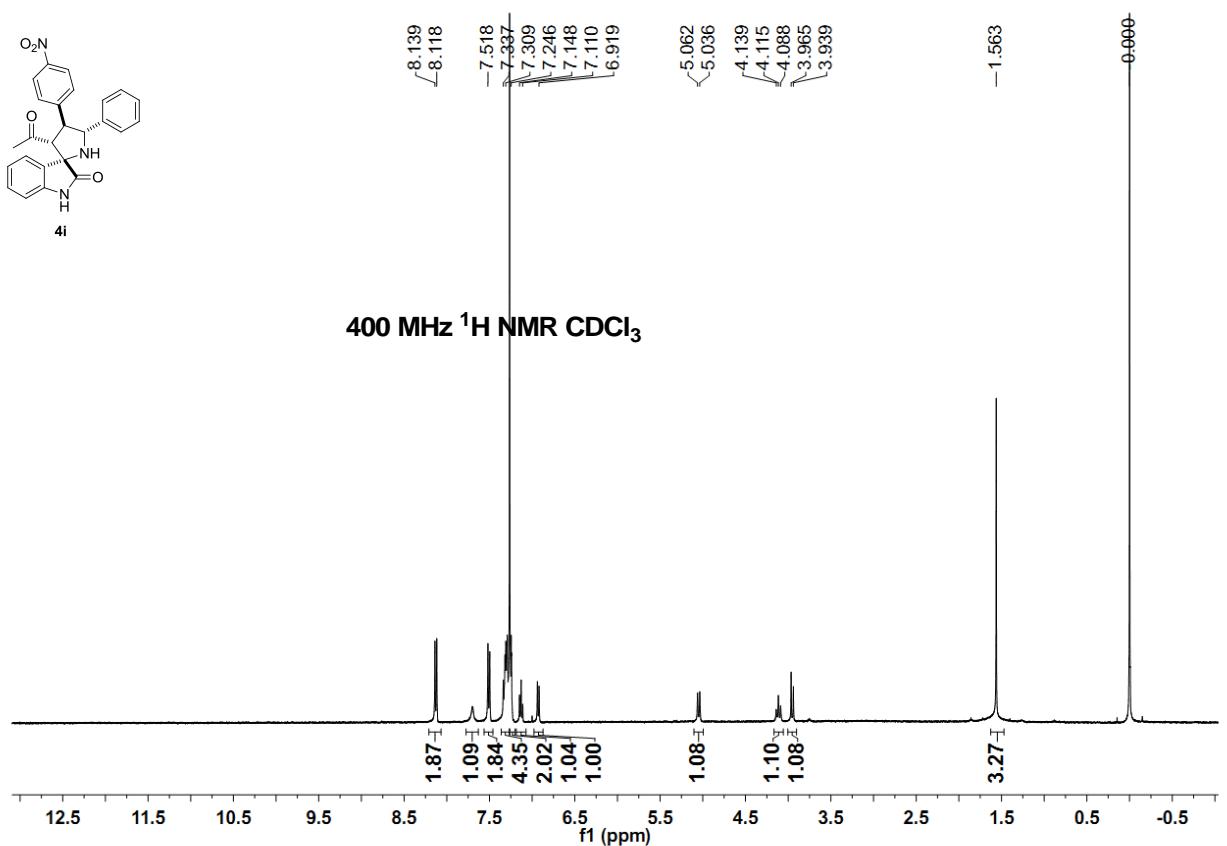


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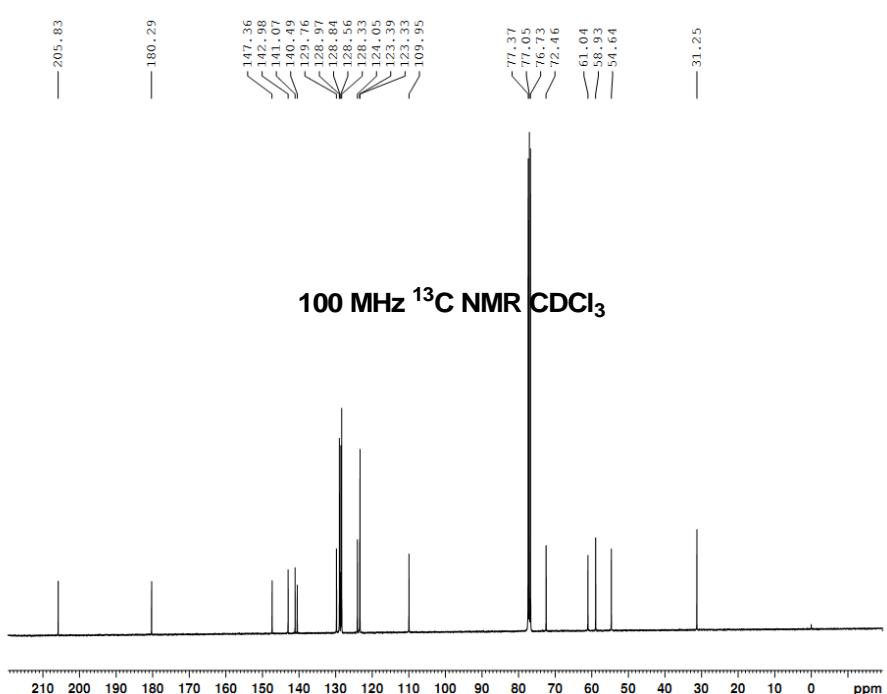


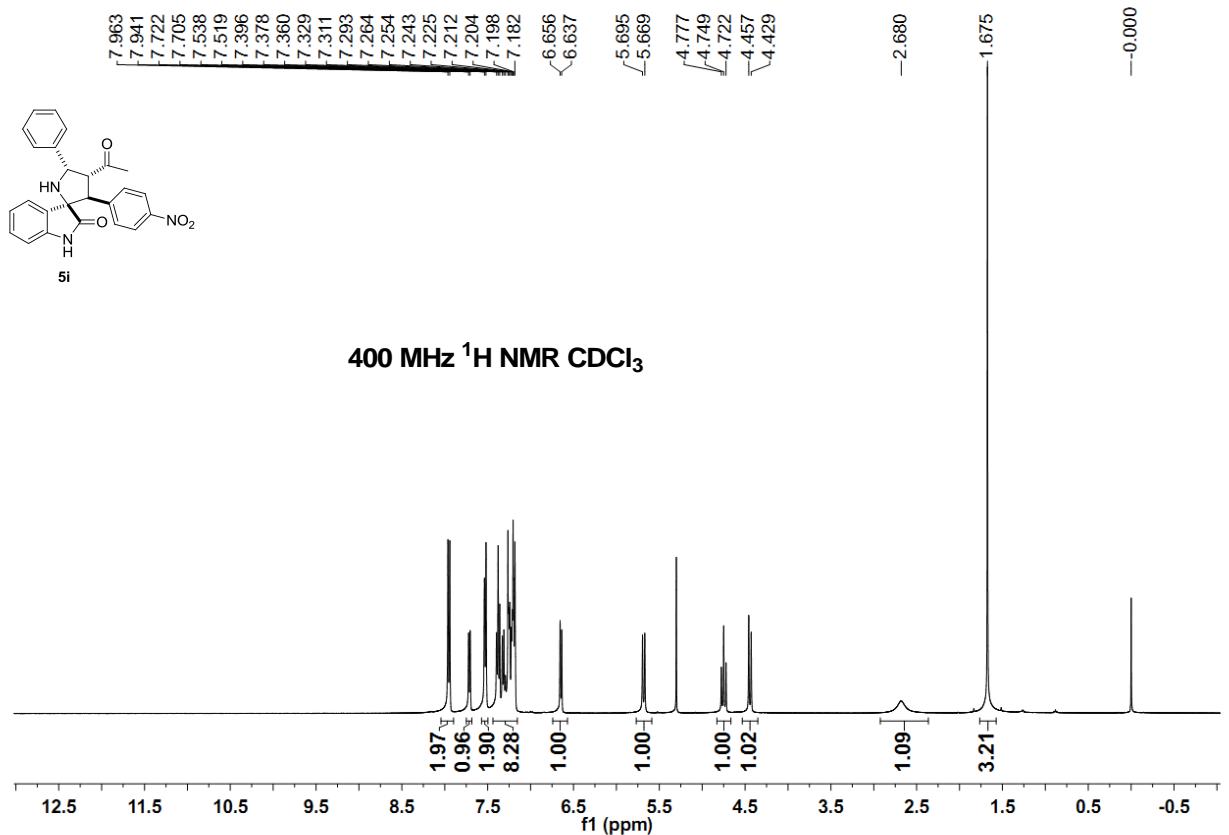
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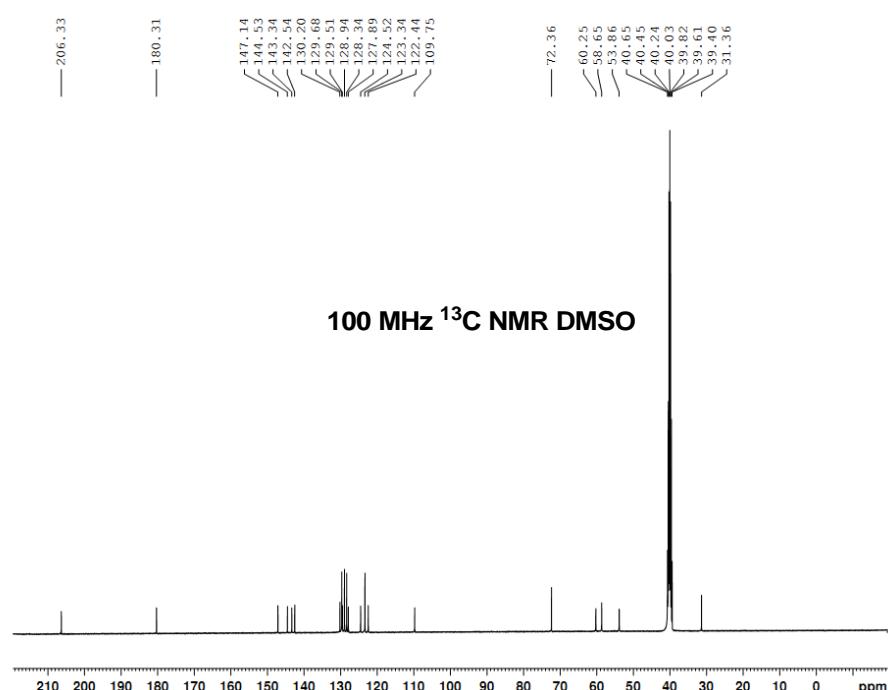


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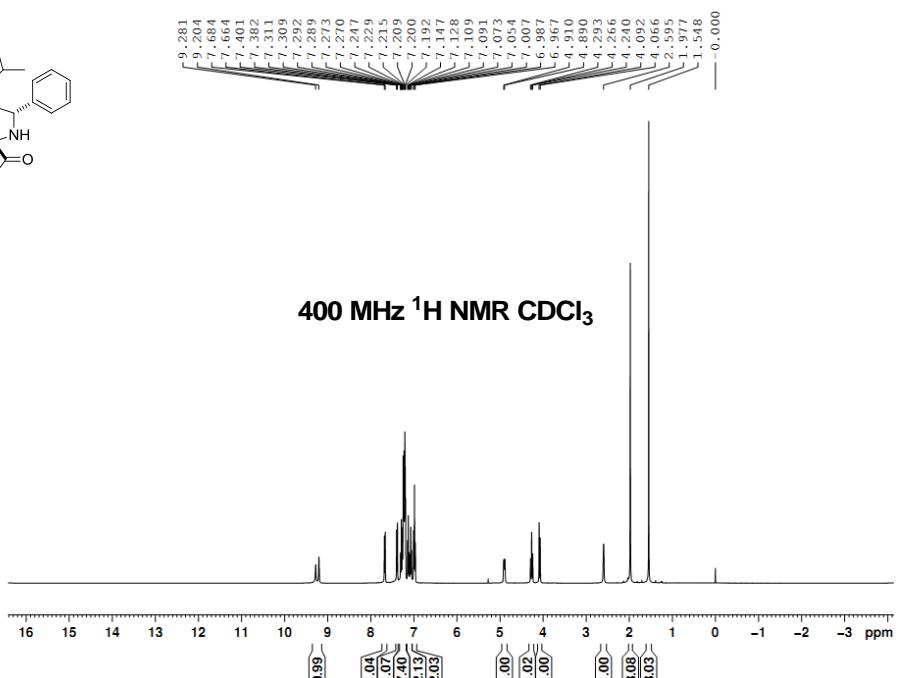
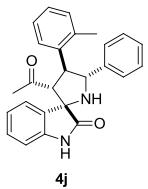




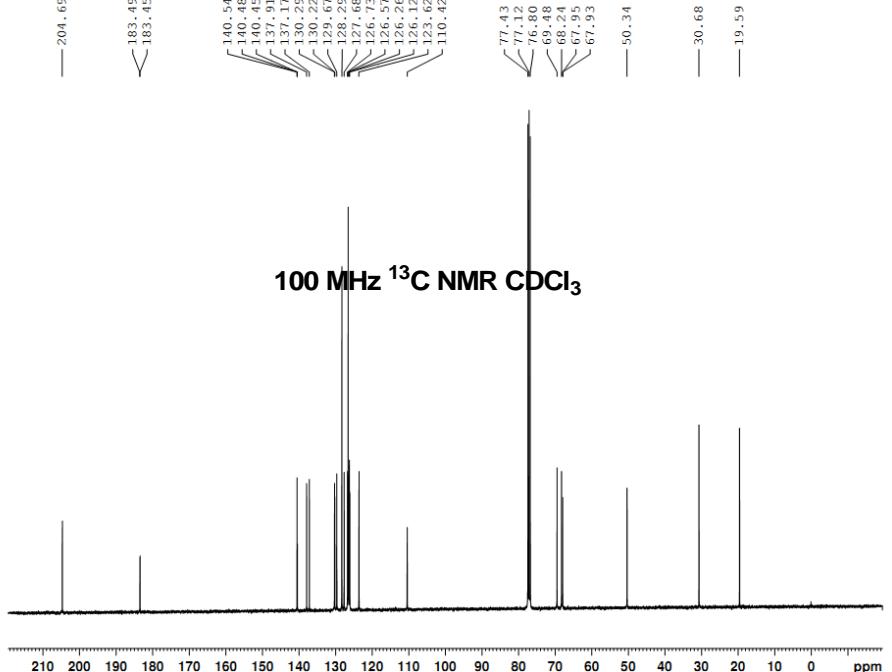
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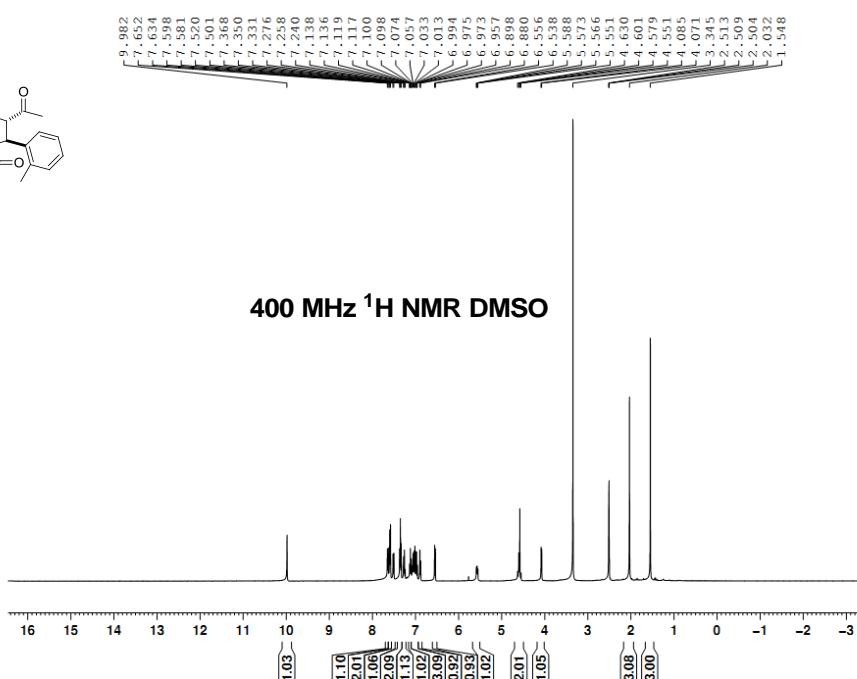
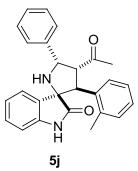
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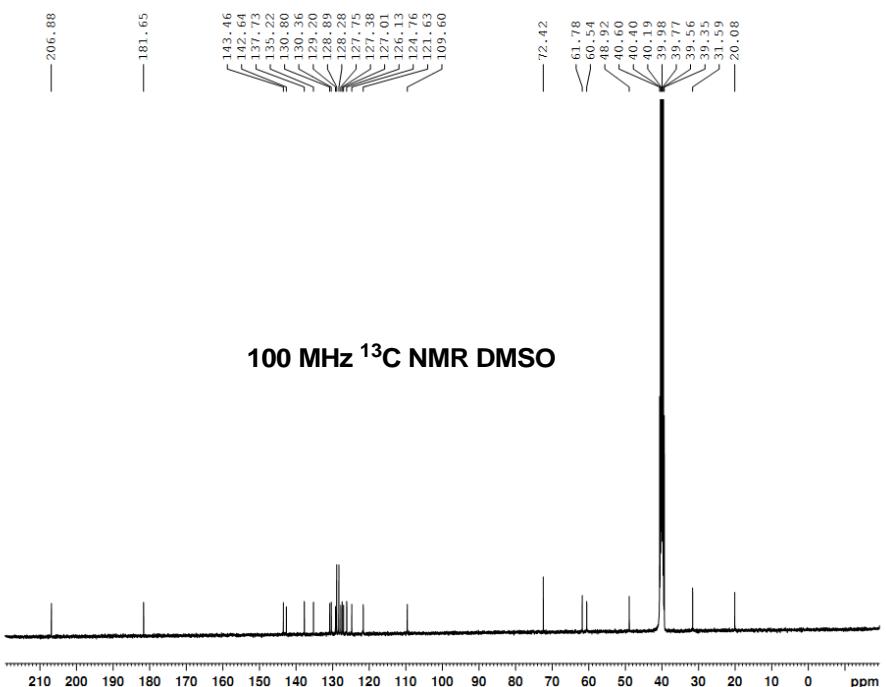
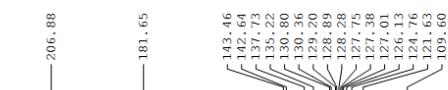
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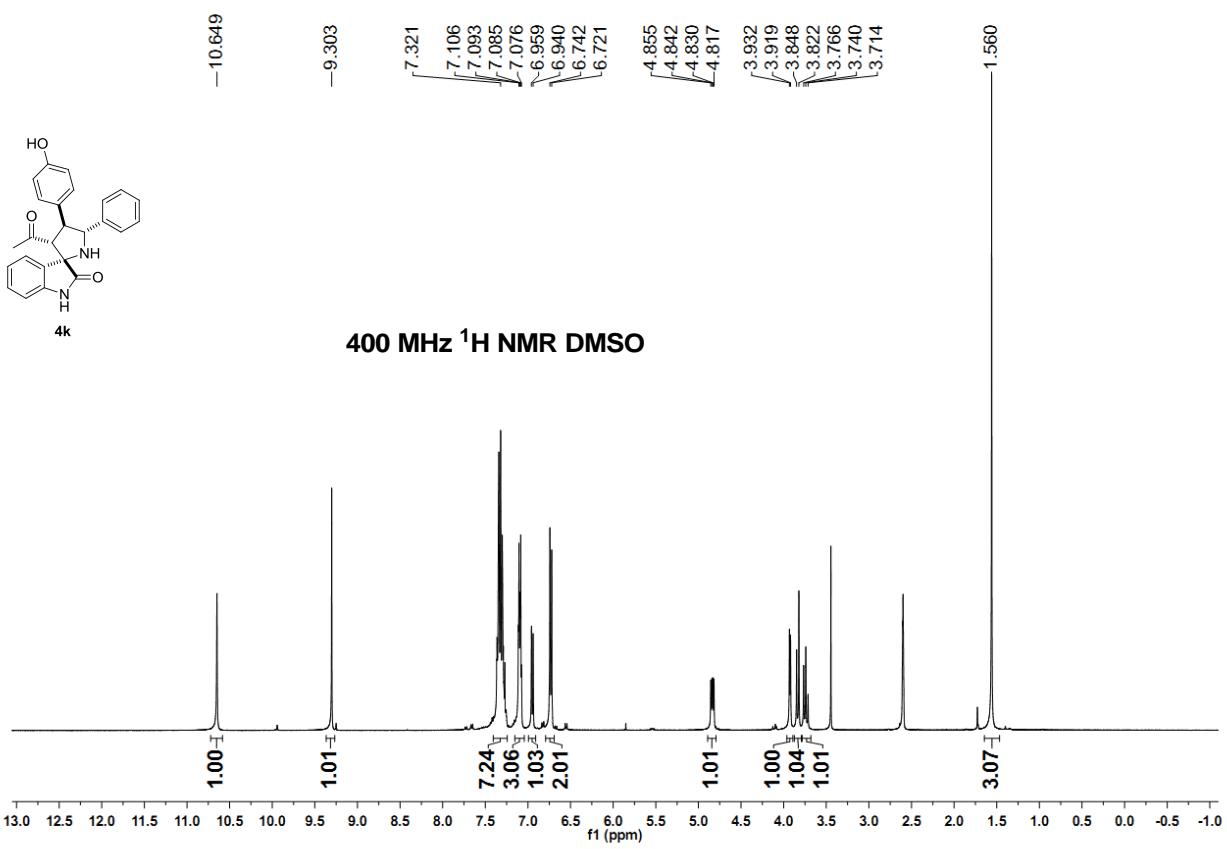
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