



Supporting Information

for

Silver-catalyzed anionic [3 + 2] cycloaddition of benzyl isocyanides with polyfluoroalkylchromones and pyrones: direct synthesis of 2-arylpyrroles

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1. Experimental section

General information

NMR spectra were recorded on Bruker Avance III-500 (^1H , 500 MHz; ^{19}F , 471 MHz; ^{13}C , 126 MHz) and Bruker DRX-400 (^1H , 400 MHz; ^{19}F , 376 MHz) spectrometers in CDCl_3 . The chemical shifts (δ) are reported in ppm relative to the internal standard TMS (^1H NMR), C_6F_6 (^{19}F NMR), and the residual signal of the solvent (^{13}C NMR). The HRMS spectra were obtained using the UHR-QqTOF maXis Impact HD (Bruker Daltonics, Billerica, MA, USA) mass spectrometer. Melting points were determined on a Stuart SMP40 apparatus. Monitoring of the reaction progress and assessment of the purity of the synthesized compounds were carried out by TLC on Sorbfil PTSKh-AF-A-UF plates (eluent EtOAc–hexane 1:2, eluent EtOAc–hexane 1:3). Unless otherwise noted, all solvents and other reagents were commercially available and were used without further purification. All reagents were weighed and handled in air at room temperature. All solvents used were dried and distilled by standard procedures. The starting benzyl isocyanides **1a–d**, chromones **2a–l**, and 4-pyrones **5a–d** were prepared according to the described procedures [1-4].

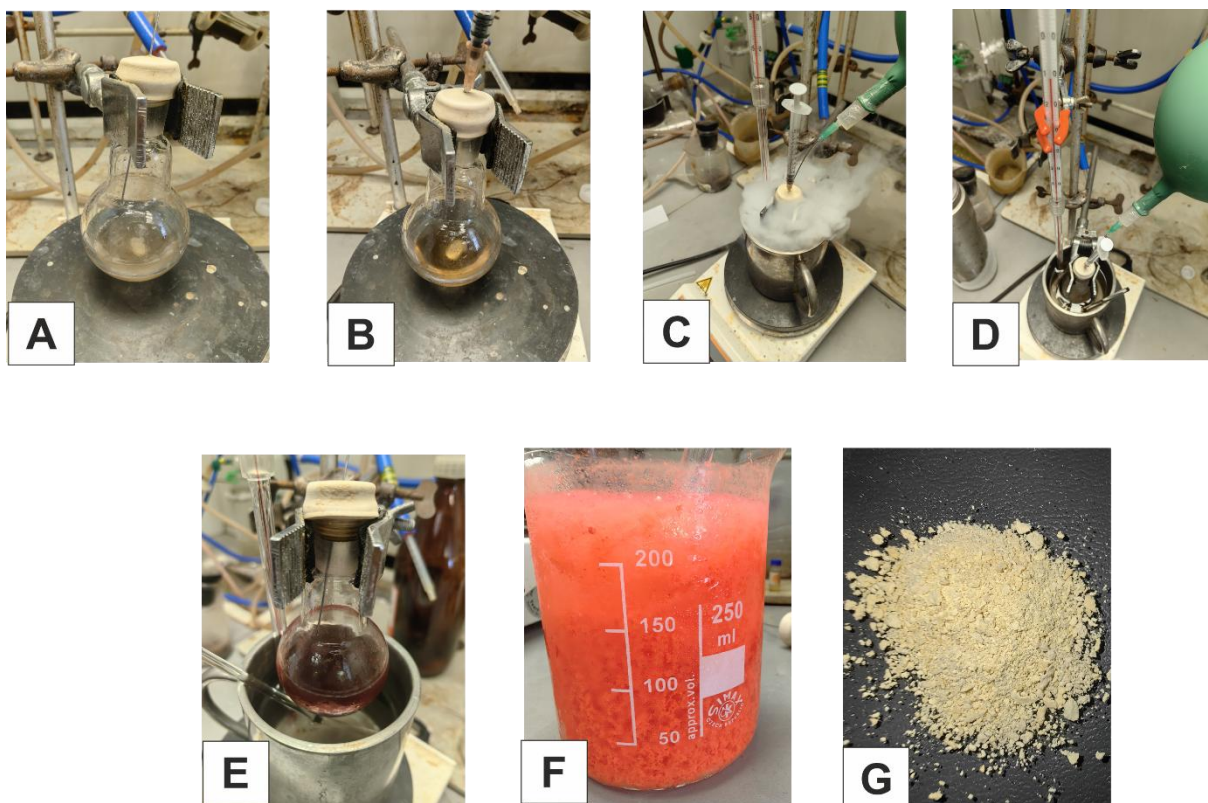
i. General procedure for the synthesis of 2-arylpyrroles **3a–t** and **6a–d**

A 10 mL reaction tube equipped with a magnetic stirrer under an argon atmosphere was charged with chromones **2a–l** or pyrones **5a–d** (0.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv), silver acetate (8.3 mg, 0.05 mmol, 10 mol %, 0.1 equiv) and 3 mL dry DMF. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 min, and then benzyl isocyanides **1a–c** (0.75 mmol, 1.5 equiv), was added, and the reaction mixture was stirred at a temperature from -5 to -10 °C until complete dissolution of the reagents. Then, potassium *tert*-butoxide (112 mg, 1.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv) was added to the resulting solution in one portion. The reaction mixture was stirred for 4 hours at -5 to -10 °C and was subsequently quenched with diluted hydrochloric acid (20 mL). The product was extracted with EtOAc (4×10 mL), washed with brine (2×10 mL), dried over anhydrous MgSO_4 , and evaporated to dryness to yield a crude reaction product, which was purified by silica gel column chromatography eluting with EtOAc-Hexane (1:2) to give the desired 2-arylpyrroles **3a–t** and **6a–d**.

ii. Illustrated synthesis of the 2-arylpyrrole **2a**

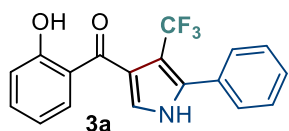
A 50 mL reaction tube equipped with a magnetic stirrer under an argon atmosphere was charged with chromones **2a** (0.642 g, 3.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv), silver acetate (0.025 g, 0.15 mmol, 10 mol %, 0.1 equiv) and 10 mL dry DMF. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 min, and then benzyl isocyanide **1a** (0.527 g, 4.5 mmol, 1.5 equiv), was added, and the reaction

mixture was stirred at a temperature from -5 to -10 °C until complete dissolution of the reagents. Then potassium *tert*-butoxide (0.672 g, 4.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv) was added to the resulting solution in one portion. The reaction mixture was stirred for 4 hours at -5 to -10 °C and was quenched with diluted hydrochloric acid (220 mL). The product was extracted with EtOAc (4×40 mL), washed with brine (2×50 mL), dried over anhydrous MgSO_4 , and evaporated to dryness to yield a crude reaction product, which was purified by silica gel column chromatography eluting with EtOAc-Hexane (1:2) to give 0.615 g of the 2-phenylpyrrole **3a** with 62% yield.



- A:** The suspension of chromone **2a** and silver acetate in dry DMF.
- B:** The resulting solution after benzyl isocyanide addition.
- C:** Cooling of the reaction mixture to -5 to -10 °C in *n*-butanol-liquid N_2 bath.
- D:** The cooled reaction mixture after potassium *tert*-butoxide addition.
- E:** The reaction mixture after 4 hours of stirring.
- F:** The crude reaction product after quenching with hydrochloric acid.
- G:** The pure 2-phenylpyrrole **3a**.

iii. Analytical data for 2-arylpyrroles 3a–t



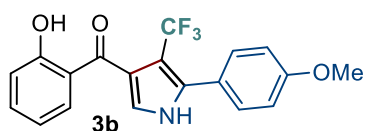
(2-Hydroxyphenyl)(5-phenyl-4-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrrol-3-yl)methanone (3a): beige solid (137 mg, 83%), mp 133–135 °C [4];

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 12.03 (s, 1H), 8.74 (s, 1H), 7.83 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.56 – 7.43 (m, 6H), 7.16 (s, 1H), 7.04 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 6.95 – 6.87 (m, 1H).

¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 109.12.

¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.8, 162.9, 136.3, 135.6 (q, *J* = 4.0 Hz), 132.9, 130.4, 129.5, 128.9 (4C), 124.0, 123.3 (q, *J* = 268.2 Hz), 122.4 (q, *J* = 1.9 Hz), 120.6, 118.9, 118.4, 110.7 (q, *J* = 36.6 Hz).

HRMS (ESI): *m/z* calcd. for C₁₈H₁₃F₃NO₂ [*M* + *H*]⁺, 332.0893; found, 332.0891.



(2-Hydroxyphenyl)(5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-4-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrrol-3-yl)methanone (3b): beige

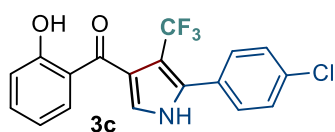
solid (70 mg, 39%), mp 148–150 °C;

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 12.04 (s, 1H), 8.65 (s, 1H), 7.83 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (ddd, *J* = 8.6, 7.2, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.47 – 7.40 (m, 2H), 7.14 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.02 – 6.95 (m, 2H), 6.91 (ddd, *J* = 8.2, 7.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 3.86 (s, 3H).

¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 109.03.

¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.8, 162.9, 160.5, 136.2, 135.6 (q, *J* = 4.1 Hz), 132.9, 130.2 (q, *J* = 1.7 Hz) (2C), 123.8, 123.4 (q, *J* = 268.2 Hz), 122.8, 122.6 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz), 120.6, 118.8, 118.3, 114.3 (2C), 110.1 (q, *J* = 36.4 Hz), 55.5.

HRMS (ESI): *m/z* calcd for C₁₉H₁₅F₃NO₃ [*M* + *H*]⁺, 362.0999; found, 362.1000.



(5-(4-Chlorophenyl)-4-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrrol-3-yl)(2-

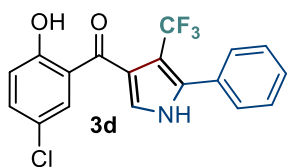
hydroxyphenyl)methanone (3c): beige solid (89 mg, 49%), mp 176–178 °C;

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 11.91 (s, 1H), 8.71 (s, 1H), 7.81 (d, *J* = 2.6 Hz, 1H), 7.56 – 7.42 (m, 6H), 7.22 (d, *J* = 2.9 Hz, 1H), 7.02 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H).

¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 109.03.

¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.5, 161.5, 136.1, 135.9 (q, *J* = 4.0 Hz), 131.8, 130.3, 129.6, 129.0 (4C), 124.2, 123.6, 123.1 (q, *J* = 266.6 Hz), 122.0 (q, *J* = 2.0 Hz), 121.2, 120.1, 110.8 (q, *J* = 36.6 Hz).

HRMS (ESI): *m/z* calcd for C₁₈H₁₂ClF₃NO₂ [*M* + *H*]⁺, 366.0503; found, 366.0504.



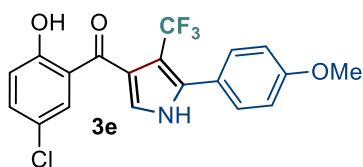
(5-Chloro-2-hydroxyphenyl)(5-phenyl-4-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrrol-3-yl)methanone (3d): beige solid (110 mg, 60%), mp 195–197 °C;

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 11.88 (s, 1H), 8.70 (s, 1H), 7.78 (d, J = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 7.50 – 7.42 (m, 4H), 7.23 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 7.02 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H).

$^{19}\text{F NMR}$ (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 108.97.

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (126 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$) δ 188.7, 156.0, 134.3 (q, J = 4.2 Hz), 133.7, 132.5, 131.0 (2C), 129.3 (2C), 129.1, 128.3 (2C), 126.9, 123.4 (q, J = 268.0 Hz), 122.3, 122.1, 118.7, 108.0 (q, J = 35.8 Hz).

HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{12}\text{ClF}_3\text{NO}_2$ $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$, 366.0503; found, 366.0500.



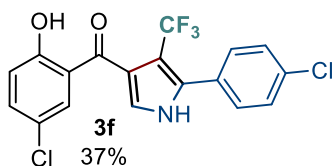
(5-Chloro-2-hydroxyphenyl)(5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-4-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrrol-3-yl)methanone (3e): beige solid (32 mg, 16%), mp 177–179 °C;

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 11.91 (s, 1H), 8.60 (s, 1H), 7.80 (d, J = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 7.49 – 7.41 (m, 3H), 7.19 (d, J = 2.9 Hz, 1H), 7.05 – 6.97 (m, 3H), 3.87 (s, 3H).

$^{19}\text{F NMR}$ (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 108.91.

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (126 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$) δ 188.9, 159.7, 156.2, 135.8 (q, J = 4.1 Hz), 132.5, 130.5 (2C), 129.5, 128.6, 126.8, 123.6 (q, J = 267.6 Hz), 122.8, 122.3, 122.0, 118.7, 113.8 (2C), 107.2 (q, J = 35.6 Hz), 55.2.

HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{14}\text{ClF}_3\text{NO}_3$ $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$, 396.0609; found, 396.0607.



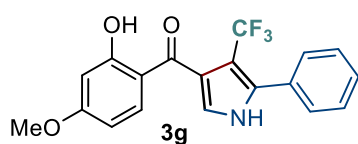
(5-Chloro-2-hydroxyphenyl)(5-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrrol-3-yl)methanone (3f): beige solid (74 mg, 37%), mp 229–231 °C;

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 11.88 (s, 1H), 8.70 (s, 1H), 7.78 (d, J = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 7.50 – 7.42 (m, 4H), 7.23 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 7.02 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H).

$^{19}\text{F NMR}$ (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 108.93.

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (126 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$) δ 188.7, 156.0, 134.3 (q, J = 4.2 Hz), 133.7, 132.5, 131.0 (2C), 129.3 (2C), 129.1, 128.3 (2C), 126.9, 123.4 (q, J = 268.0 Hz), 122.3, 122.1, 118.7, 108.0 (q, J = 35.8 Hz).

HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{10}\text{Cl}_2\text{F}_3\text{NNaO}_2$ $[\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$, 421.9933; found, 421.9930.



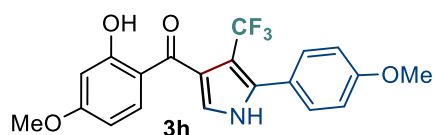
(2-Hydroxy-4-methoxyphenyl)(5-phenyl-4-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrrol-3-yl)methanone (3g): beige solid (146 mg, 81%), mp 138–140 °C;

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 12.66 (s, 1H), 8.80 (s, 1H), 7.73 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.54 – 7.42 (m, 5H), 7.09 (s, 1H), 6.49 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.44 (dd, *J* = 9.0, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 3.86 (s, 3H).

¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 109.29.

¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.5, 166.3, 166.0, 135.2 (q, *J* = 4.2 Hz), 134.7, 130.6, 129.3, 128.9 (3C), 127.0, 123.4 (q, *J* = 268.4 Hz), 122.5 (q, *J* = 2.1 Hz), 122.9, 114.6, 110.5 (q, *J* = 36.6 Hz), 107.5, 101.1, 55.8.

HRMS (ESI): *m/z* calcd for C₁₉H₁₅F₃NO₃ [*M* + *H*]⁺, 362.0999; found, 362.1000.



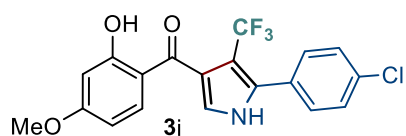
(2-Hydroxy-4-methoxyphenyl)(5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-4-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrrol-3-yl)methanone (3h): beige solid (61 mg, 31%), mp 153–155 °C;

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 12.67 (s, 1H), 8.59 (s, 1H), 7.73 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.07 (d, *J* = 2.6 Hz, 1H), 7.01 – 6.95 (m, 2H), 6.50 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.44 (dd, *J* = 8.9, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 3.86 (s, 6H).

¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 109.17.

¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.6, 166.3, 166.0, 160.5, 135.2 (q, *J* = 4.1 Hz), 134.6, 130.1 (2C), 123.5 (q, *J* = 268.0 Hz), 122.9, 122.6, 122.5 (q, *J* = 1.7 Hz), 114.6, 114.3 (2C), 110.0 (q, *J* = 36.2 Hz), 107.4, 101.1, 55.8, 55.5.

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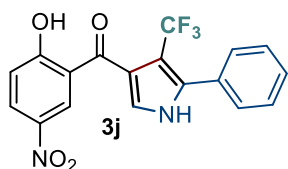
(5-(4-Chlorophenyl)-4-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrrol-3-yl)(2-hydroxy-4-methoxyphenyl)methanone (3i): beige solid (105 mg, 53%), mp 192–194 °C;

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 12.62 (s, 1H), 8.69 (s, 1H), 7.70 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.11 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 6.50 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.44 (dd, *J* = 8.9, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 3.87 (s, 3H).

¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 109.18.

¹³C NMR (126 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 192.6, 165.5, 164.4, 134.6, 133.7 (2C), 133.6 (q, *J* = 4.0 Hz), 130.7, 129.3, 128.5 (2C), 125.7, 123.6 (q, *J* = 267.6 Hz), 121.00 (q, *J* = 1.5 Hz), 114.3, 108.5 (q, *J* = 35.3 Hz), 107.0, 101.1, 55.7.

HRMS (ESI): *m/z* calcd for C₁₉H₁₄ClF₃NO₃ [*M* + *H*]⁺, 396.0609; found, 396.0608.



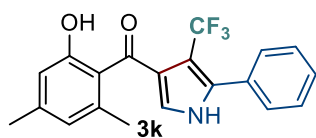
(2-Hydroxy-5-nitrophenyl)(5-phenyl-4-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrrol-3-yl)methanone (3j): white solid (103 mg, 55%), mp 207–209 °C;

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 12.75 (s, 1H), 8.84 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 8.78 (s, 1H), 8.40 (dd, J = 9.2, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 7.57 – 7.47 (m, 5H), 7.30 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H).

$^{19}\text{F NMR}$ (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 108.89.

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (126 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$) δ 187.0, 162.2, 139.1, 136.1 (q, J = 4.1 Hz), 130.5, 129.9, 129.3 (2C), 128.9, 128.2 (2C), 127.7, 126.8, 125.8, 123.4 (q, J = 268.4 Hz), 122.2, 117.3, 107.7 (q, J = 36.0 Hz).

HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{12}\text{F}_3\text{N}_2\text{O}_4$ [$\text{M} + \text{H}$] $^+$, 377.0744; found, 377.0739.



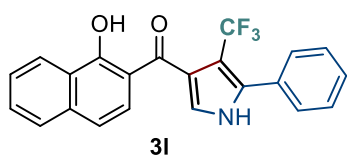
(2-Hydroxy-4,6-dimethylphenyl)(5-phenyl-4-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrrol-3-yl)methanone (3k): beige solid (72 mg, 40%), mp 157–159 °C;

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 9.62 (s, 1H), 8.54 (s, 1H), 7.57 – 7.43 (m, 5H), 6.95 (d, J = 2.9 Hz, 1H), 6.66 (s, 1H), 6.57 (s, 1H), 2.31 (s, 3H), 2.17 (s, 3H).

$^{19}\text{F NMR}$ (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 108.62.

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 194.2, 159.7, 144.7, 139.0, 135.7 (q, J = 4.7 Hz), 130.5, 129.5, 129.0 (2C), 128.9 (2C), 126.7 (q, J = 1.7 Hz), 123.3 (q, J = 268.0 Hz), 124.5, 124.2, 121.7, 115.5, 109.7 (q, J = 36.5 Hz), 22.7, 21.8.

HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{17}\text{F}_3\text{NO}_2$ [$\text{M} + \text{H}$] $^+$, 360.1206; found, 360.1209.



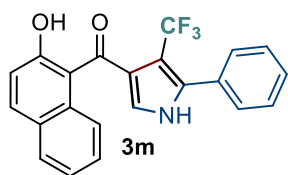
(1-Hydroxynaphthalen-2-yl)(5-phenyl-4-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrrol-3-yl)methanone (3l): light yellow solid (95 mg, 50%), mp 188–190 °C;

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 13.91 (s, 1H), 8.66 (s, 1H), 8.52 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.78 (dd, J = 8.6, 2.8 Hz, 2H), 7.65 (ddd, J = 8.1, 6.8, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.60 – 7.44 (m, 6H), 7.28 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.22 – 7.17 (m, 1H).

$^{19}\text{F NMR}$ (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 109.26.

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (126 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$) δ 194.2, 161.6, 136.7, 135.3 (q, J = 4.2 Hz), 130.4, 130.2, 129.0 (2C), 128.9, 128.5 (2C), 127.6, 127.0, 126.2, 126.2, 124.3, 123.7 (q, J = 267.4 Hz), 123.5, 120.7, 118.2, 113.7, 108.3 (q, J = 35.6 Hz).

HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{15}\text{F}_3\text{NO}_2$ [$\text{M} + \text{H}$] $^+$, 382.1049; found, 382.1048.



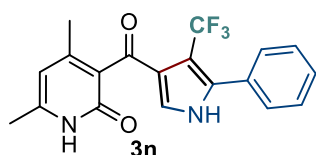
(2-Hydroxynaphthalen-1-yl)(5-phenyl-4-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrrol-3-yl)methanone (3m): beige solid (101 mg, 53%), mp 133–135 °C;

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 11.07 (s, 1H), 8.48 (s, 1H), 7.90 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.84 – 7.71 (m, 2H), 7.50 – 7.45 (m, 5H), 7.33 – 7.30 (m, 2H), 7.19 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 6.72 (s, 1H).

¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 108.79.

¹³C NMR (126 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 189.4, 151.5, 135.9 (q, *J* = 4.3 Hz), 131.7, 130.8, 130.2, 129.9, 129.4 (2C), 128.8, 128.2 (2C), 128.1, 127.5, 126.9, 124.4, 123.7 (q, *J* = 267.6 Hz), 123.2, 122.9, 121.5, 118.3, 107.1 (q, *J* = 36.2 Hz).

HRMS (ESI): *m/z* calcd for C₂₂H₁₅F₃NO₂ [*M* + *H*]⁺, 382.1049; found, 382.1050.



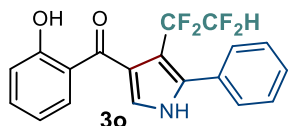
4,6-Dimethyl-3-(5-phenyl-4-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrrole-3-carbonyl)pyridin-2(1H)-one (3n): white solid (108 mg, 60%), mp 285–287 °C (decomposition);

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 12.22 (s, 1H), 11.68 (s, 1H), 7.51 – 7.41 (m, 5H), 7.31 (d, *J* = 3.1 Hz, 1H), 5.96 (s, 1H), 2.17 (s, 3H), 1.98 (s, 3H).

¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 110.75.

¹³C NMR (126 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 188.3, 161.0, 148.4, 145.0, 135.7 (q, *J* = 4.5 Hz), 130.9, 129.4 (2C), 129.3, 128.8, 128.2 (2C), 127.5, 123.7, 123.6 (q, *J* = 267.6 Hz), 107.0 (q, *J* = 35.6 Hz), 106.9, 18.8, 18.4.

HRMS (ESI): *m/z* calcd for C₁₉H₁₆F₃N₂O₂ [*M* + *H*]⁺, 361.1158; found, 361.1157.



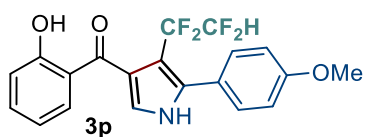
(2-Hydroxyphenyl)(5-phenyl-4-(1,1,2,2-tetrafluoroethyl)-1H-pyrrol-3-yl)methanone (3o): beige solid (109 mg, 60%), mp 145–147 °C;

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 11.87 (s, 1H), 8.62 (s, 1H), 7.85 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.56 – 7.49 (m, 3H), 7.48 – 7.42 (m, 3H), 7.21 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 6.94 – 6.90 (m, 1H), 6.89 (tt, *J* = 54.2, 6.0 Hz, 1H).

¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 53.49 (q, *J* = 9.4 Hz), 25.22 (dt, *J* = 54.2, 10.4 Hz),

¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.9, 162.9, 136.4 (t, *J* = 4.6 Hz), 136.2, 132.9, 131.1, 129.4 (2C), 129.3, 128.6 (2C), 125.5, 122.3 (t, *J* = 3.7 Hz), 120.6, 118.9, 118.4, 115.4 (tt, *J* = 249.6, 26.5 Hz), 111.3 (t, *J* = 26.5 Hz), 111.2 (tt, *J* = 250.8, 34.9 Hz).

HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for $C_{19}H_{14}F_4NO_2 [M + H]^+$, 364.0955; found; 364.0948.



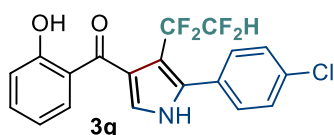
(2-Hydroxyphenyl)(5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-4-(1,1,2,2-tetrafluoroethyl)-1H-pyrrol-3-yl)methanone (3p): beige solid (20 mg, 10%), mp 130–132 °C;

1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 11.87 (s, 1H), 8.55 (s, 1H), 7.84 (dd, J = 7.9, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.18 (d, J = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 7.04 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.97 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 6.91 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.88 (tt, J = 54.5, 6.2 Hz, 1H), 3.86 (s, 3H).

^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 53.27 (q, J = 10.5 Hz), 25.18 (dt, J = 54.1, 10.5 Hz).

^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, $DMSO-d_6$) δ 192.1, 159.5, 158.2, 136.1 (t, J = 4.5 Hz), 133.6, 131.0, 130.6 (2C), 129.2, 124.3, 123.5, 121.8 (t, J = 2.6 Hz), 118.9, 117.0, 115.7 (tt, J = 247.8, 27.1 Hz), 110.7 (tt, J = 248.5, 34.2 Hz), 108.1 (t, J = 26.0 Hz), 113.5 (2C), 55.2.

HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for $C_{20}H_{15}F_4NNaO_3 [M + H]^+$, 394.1061; found, 394.1056.



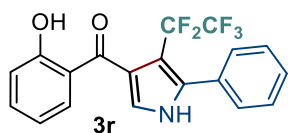
(5-(4-Chlorophenyl)-4-(1,1,2,2-tetrafluoroethyl)-1H-pyrrol-3-yl)(2-hydroxyphenyl)methanone (3q): beige solid (90 mg, 45%), mp 146–148 °C;

1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 11.84 (s, 1H), 8.64 (s, 1H), 7.83 (dd, J = 7.9, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.52 (ddd, J = 8.6, 7.2, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.48 – 7.39 (m, 4H), 7.22 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (dd, J = 8.3, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (ddd, J = 8.2, 7.2, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 6.89 (tt, J = 54.3, 6.1 Hz, 1H).

^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 53.44 – 53.25 (m), 25.25 (dt, J = 54.3, 10.3 Hz).

^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, $DMSO-d_6$) δ 192.0, 158.1, 134.7 (t, J = 3.6 Hz), 133.7, 133.5, 131.2 (2C), 131.0, 130.1, 129.7, 128.1 (2C), 124.3, 122.0 (t, J = 3.4 Hz), 118.9, 117.0, 115.6 (tt, J = 248.1, 26.0 Hz), 110.6 (tt, J = 249.7, 34.3 Hz), 109.00 (t, J = 26.1 Hz).

HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for $C_{19}H_{12}ClF_4NNaO_2 [M + Na]^+$, 420.0385; found, 420.0385.



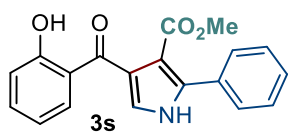
(2-Hydroxyphenyl)(4-(perfluoroethyl)-5-phenyl-1H-pyrrol-3-yl)methanone (3r): beige solid (99 mg, 52%), mp 141–143 °C;

1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 12.06 (s, 1H), 8.65 (s, 1H), 7.72 (dd, J = 8.1, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (ddd, J = 8.7, 7.2, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.48 – 7.43 (m, 5H), 7.10 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 7.04 (dd, J = 8.3, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 6.89 (ddd, J = 8.2, 7.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H).

^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 77.70 (t, J = 3.0 Hz), 59.03 (q, J = 3.2 Hz).

^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, $DMSO-d_6$) δ 192.7, 159.2, 136.7 (t, J = 5.3 Hz), 134.3, 131.6, 131.1, 129.8 (2C), 128.8, 128.0, 127.5 (2C), 123.8, 121.9 (t, J = 2.1 Hz), 119.2 (qt, J = 286.9, 41.0 Hz), 118.9, 117.1, 113.4 (tq, J = 252.5, 39.7 Hz), 105.4 (t, J = 27.3 Hz).

HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for $C_{19}H_{13}F_5NO_2$ $[M + H]^+$, 382.0861; found; 382.0860.



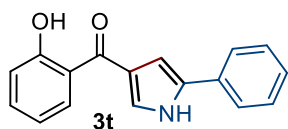
Methyl 4-(2-hydroxybenzoyl)-2-phenyl-1H-pyrrole-3-carboxylate

(3s): beige solid (59 mg, 37%), mp 188–190 °C;

1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 12.11 (s, 1H), 8.63 (s, 1H), 7.73 (dd, J = 8.0, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.66 – 7.59 (m, 2H), 7.52 – 7.40 (m, 4H), 7.17 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 7.04 (dd, J = 8.3, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 6.87 (ddd, J = 8.2, 7.1, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 3.53 (s, 3H).

^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, $DMSO-d_6$) δ 193.7, 165.5, 160.2, 135.0, 134.9, 131.8, 130.6, 128.9, 128.4, 128.1, 127.9, 127.1, 125.2, 123.6, 121.8, 119.0, 117.3, 112.8, 51.3.

HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for $C_{19}H_{16}NO_4$ $[M + H]^+$, 322.1074; found, 322.1073.



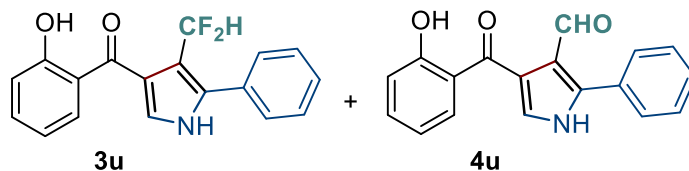
(2-Hydroxyphenyl)(5-phenyl-1H-pyrrol-3-yl)methanone (3t):

beige solid (59 mg, 45%), mp 188–190 °C [5];

1H NMR (500 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 12.17 (s, 1H), 8.94 (s, 1H), 7.99 (dd, J = 7.9, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.55 – 7.51 (m, 2H), 7.51 – 7.45 (m, 2H), 7.42 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.35 – 7.27 (m, 1H), 7.05 (dd, J = 8.5, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.01 (dd, J = 2.9, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 6.96 – 6.89 (m, 1H).

HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for $C_{17}H_{14}NO_2$ $[M + H]^+$, 264.1019; found, 264.1019.

iv. Analytical data for the mixture of 2-arylpyrroles 3u and 4u



Complex mixture product **3u** and **4u**

ratio: **3u:4u (5:1)**

Total yield: 70mg

(4-(Difluoromethyl)-5-phenyl-1H-pyrrol-3-yl)(2-hydroxyphenyl)methanone (3u) and 4-(2-hydroxybenzoyl)-2-phenyl-1H-pyrrole-3-carbaldehyde (4u) mixture of products: grey solid (70 mg).

1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 12.09 (s, 0.2H), 11.92 (s, 1H), 10.02 (s, 0.2H), 8.87 (s, 0.2H), 8.74 (s, 1H), 7.87 (dd, J = 7.8, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.74 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 0H), 7.67 – 7.55 (m, 2H), 7.53 – 7.41 (m, 5H), 7.30 – 7.24 (m, 2H), 7.05 (t, J = 54.6 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.96 – 6.83 (m, 1H).

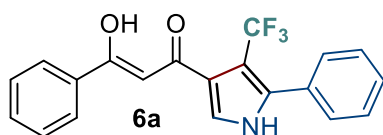
^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 56.36 (d, J = 54.8 Hz).

¹³C NMR (126 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 194.7, 192.3, 186.3, 159.6, 157.9, 134.6, 134.4, 133.3, 131.9, 130.9, 130.6, 129.2, 129.0, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 128.3, 124.6, 122.5, 119.0, 118.9, 117.2, 116.96 113.20 (t, *J* = 24.1 Hz), 111.98 (t, *J* = 231.0 Hz).

3u: HRMS (ESI): *m/z* calcd for C₁₈H₁₃F₂NNaO₂ [M + Na]⁺ 336.0807; found, 336.0807.

4u: HRMS (ESI): *m/z* calcd for C₁₈H₁₄NO₃ [M + H]⁺, 292.0968; found 292.0969.

v. Analytical data for 2-arylpyrroles 6a–d



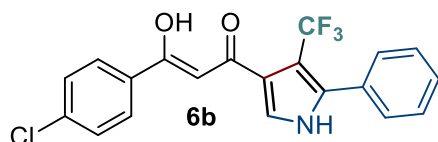
(Z)-3-Hydroxy-3-phenyl-1-(5-phenyl-4-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrrol-3-yl)prop-2-en-1-one (6a): beige solid (100 mg, 56%), mp 185–187 °C [4];

¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 16.74 (s, 1H), 12.46 (s, 1H), 8.28 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 8.09 – 8.05 (m, 2H), 7.63 – 7.58 (m, 1H), 7.57 – 7.53 (m, 2H), 7.51 – 7.45 (m, 5H), 7.06 (s, 1H).

¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 111.28.

¹³C NMR (126 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 186.3, 177.5, 136.1 (q, *J* = 4.2 Hz), 134.1, 132.1, 130.9, 129.4 (2C), 128.8, 128.7 (2C), 128.2 (2C), 127.3, 126.6 (2C), 123.6 (d, *J* = 267.4 Hz), 121.0, 107.1 (q, *J* = 35.6 Hz), 94.4.

HRMS (ESI): *m/z* calcd for C₂₀H₁₅F₃NO₂ [M + H]⁺, 358.1049; found, 358.1047.



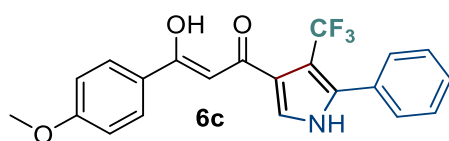
(Z)-3-(4-Chlorophenyl)-3-hydroxy-1-(5-phenyl-4-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrrol-3-yl)prop-2-en-1-one (6b): beige solid (131 mg, 67%), mp 186–187 °C;

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 16.68 (s, 1H), 12.46 (s, 1H), 8.28 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 8.08 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.62 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.53 – 7.43 (m, 5H), 7.08 (s, 1H).

¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 111.24.

¹³C NMR (126 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 186.4, 176.0, 136.8, 136.1 (q, *J* = 4.5, 4.0 Hz), 132.9, 130.9, 130.4, 129.4 (2C), 128.8 (2C), 128.4 (2C), 128.2 (2C), 127.6, 123.5 (q, *J* = 267.7 Hz), 120.9, 107.2 (q, *J* = 35.9 Hz), 94.6.

HRMS (ESI): *m/z* calcd for C₂₀H₁₂ClF₃NO₂ [M-H]⁺, 390.0514; found, 390.0517



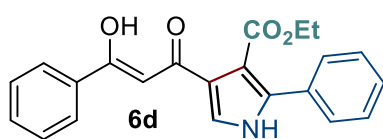
(Z)-3-Hydroxy-3-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(5-phenyl-4-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrrol-3-yl)prop-2-en-1-one (6c): beige solid (122 mg, 63%) mp 143–144 °C;

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 16.95 (s, 1H), 12.39 (s, 1H), 8.18 (d, *J* = 3.1 Hz, 1H), 8.03 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.52 – 7.42 (m, 5H), 7.08 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.95 (s, 1H), 3.86 (s, 3H).

¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 111.48.

¹³C NMR (126 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 184.9, 178.9, 162.6, 135.8 (q, *J* = 4.0 Hz), 131.0, 129.4 (2C), 128.8, 128.7 (2C), 128.2 (2C), 126.6, 126.5, 123.6 (q, *J* = 268.2 Hz), 120.9, 114.1 (2C), 107.1 (q, *J* = 35.8 Hz), 93.3, 55.5.

HRMS (ESI): *m/z* calcd for C₂₁H₁₅F₃NO₃ [M-H]⁻, 386.1010; found, 386.1010



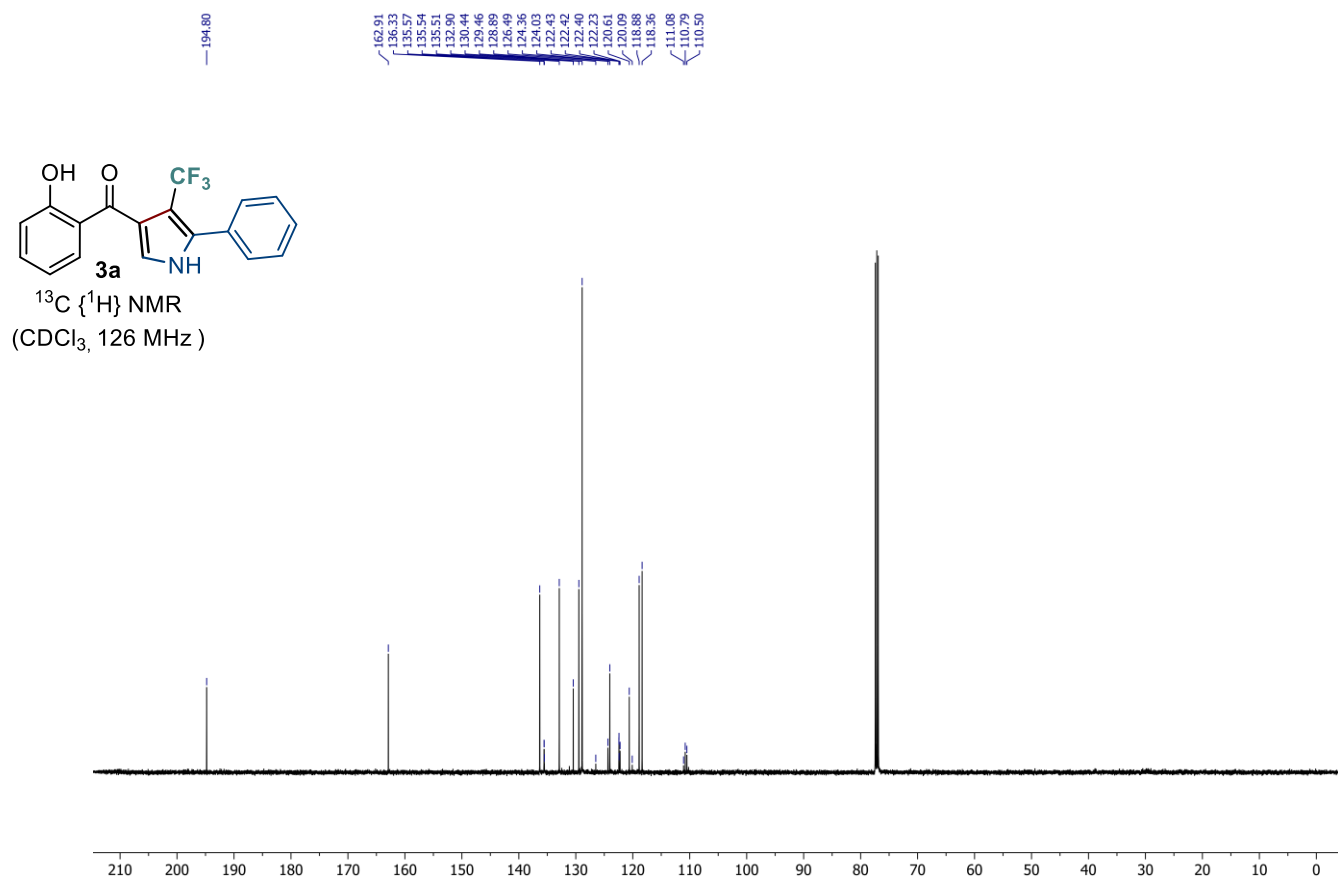
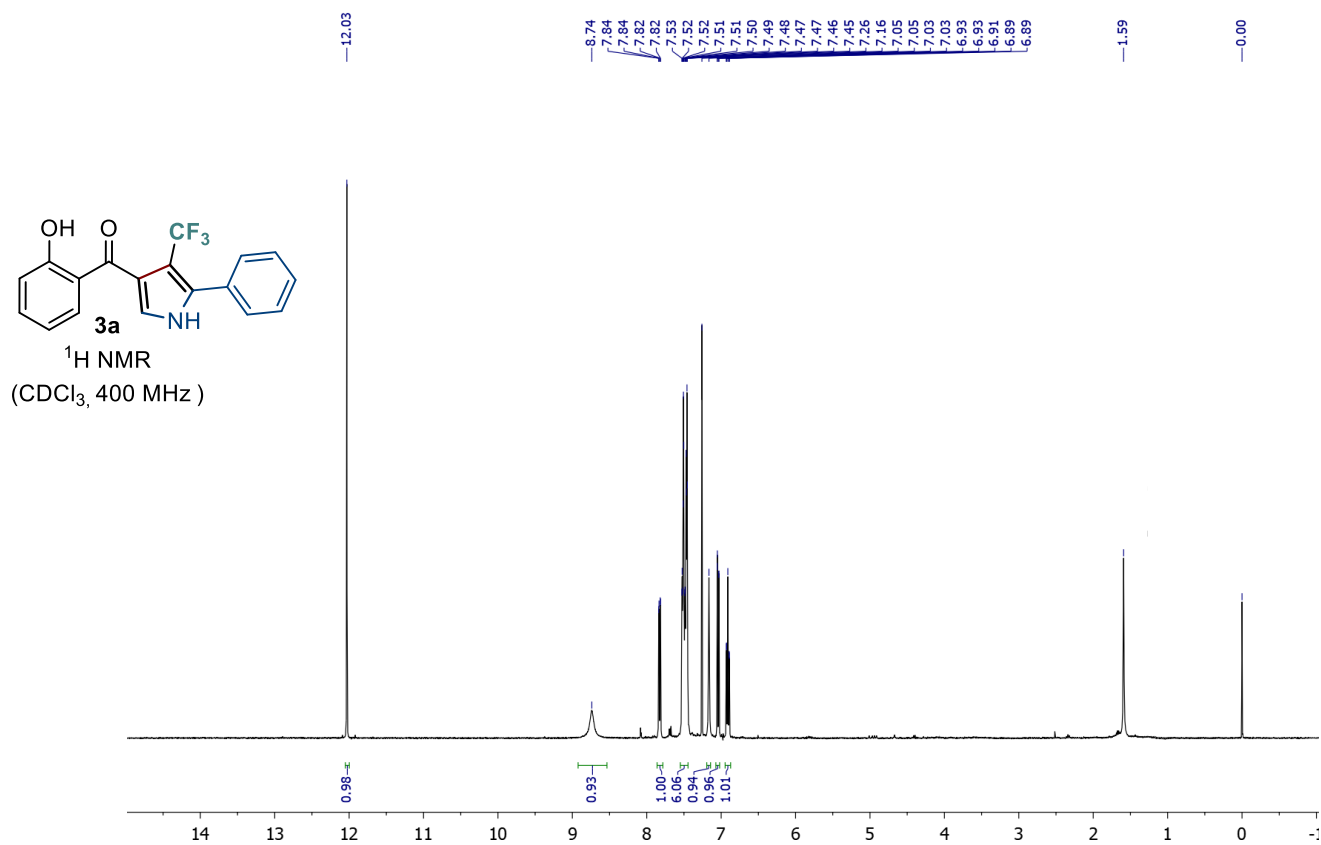
Ethyl (Z)-4-(3-hydroxy-3-phenylacryloyl)-2-phenyl-1H-pyrrole-3-carboxylate (6d): beige solid (58 mg, 32%), mp 118–120 °C;

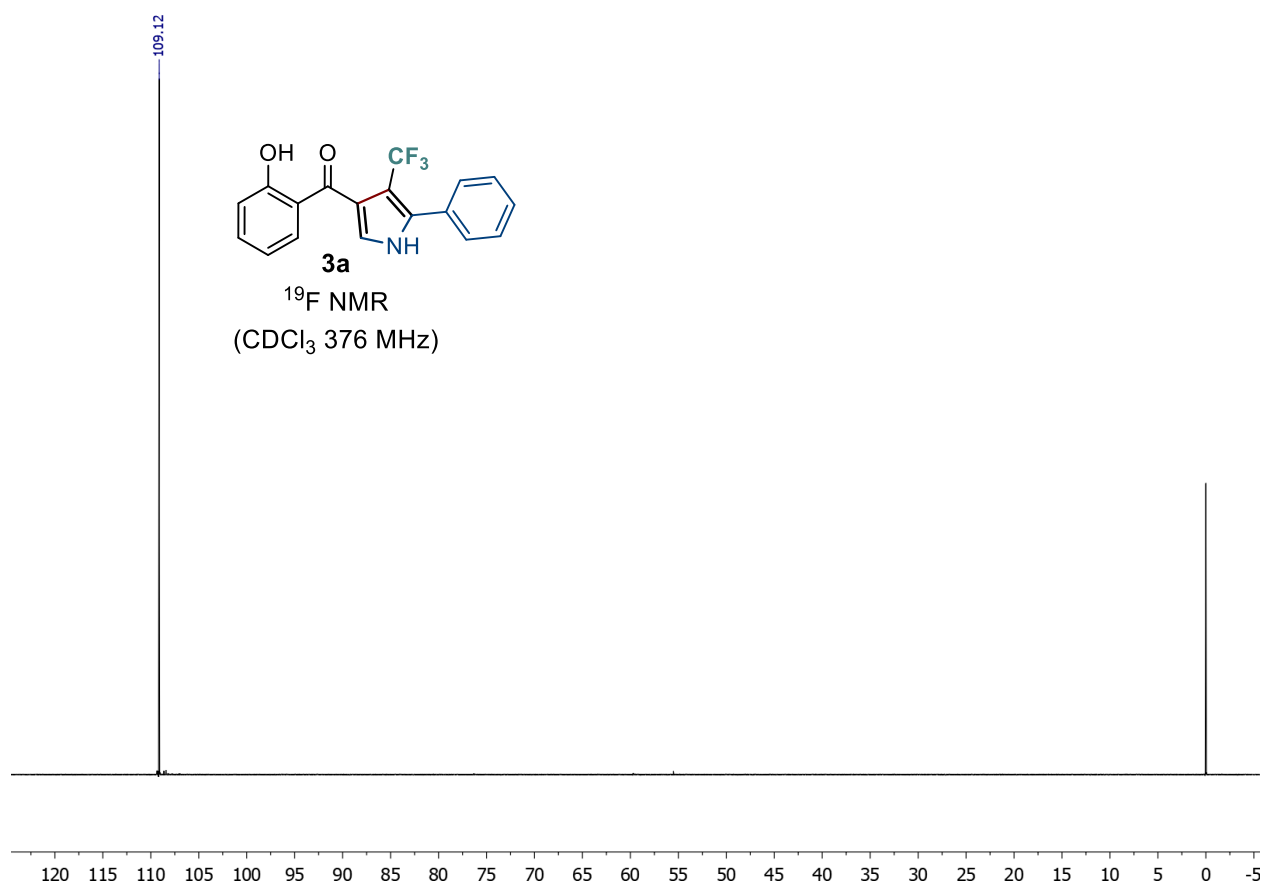
¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 16.50 (s, 1H), 9.03 (s, 1H), 7.90 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.54 – 7.47 (m, 1H), 7.45 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 4H), 7.39 – 7.32 (m, 4H), 6.64 (s, 1H), 4.30 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 1.21 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H).

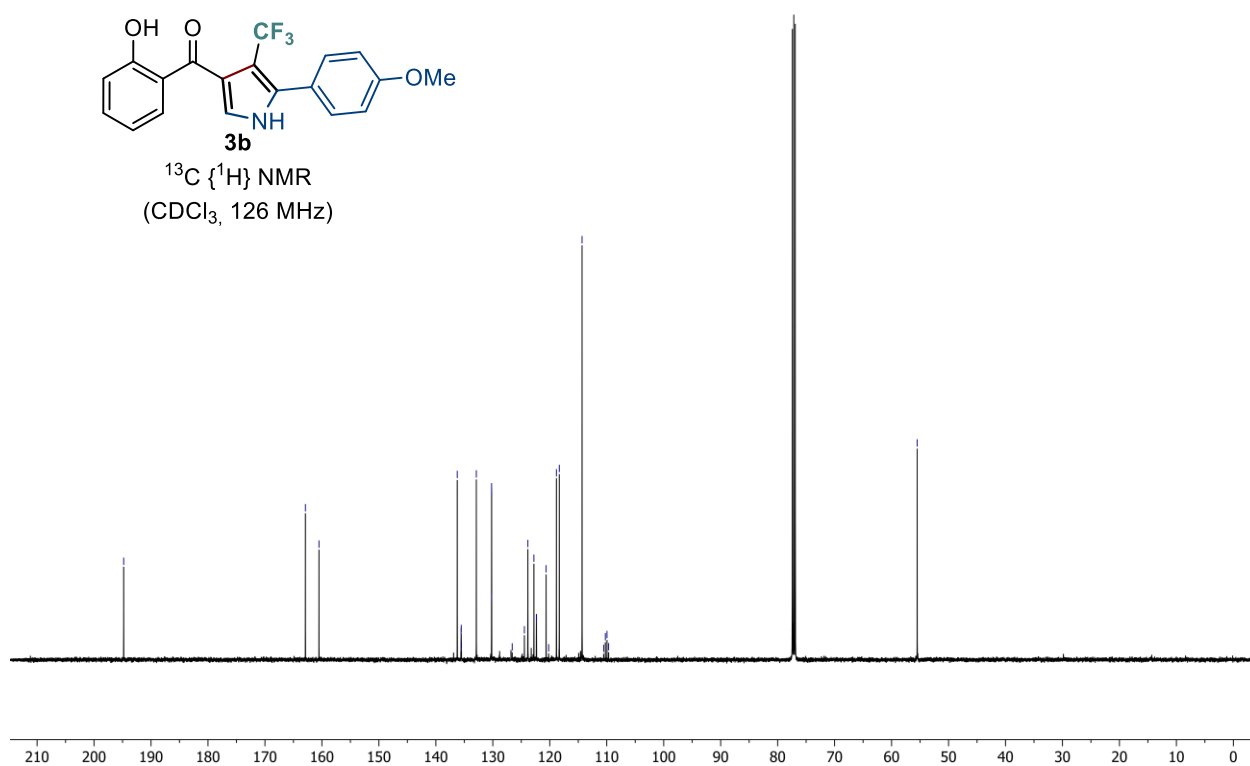
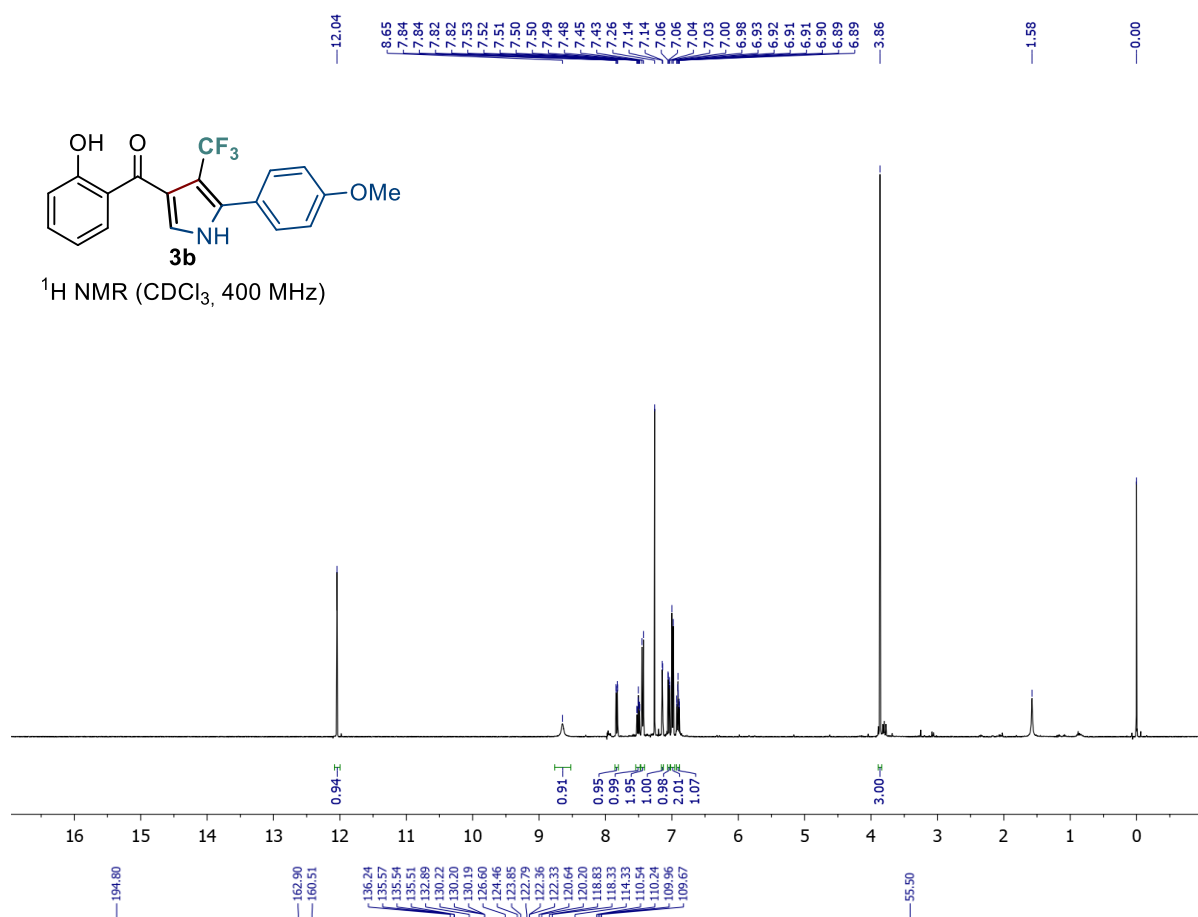
¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 185.0, 180.8, 168.0, 135.1, 135.0, 132.0, 130.9, 128.9 (2C), 128.7 (2C), 128.4, 127.4 (2C), 126.9 (2C), 123.5, 123.2, 112.6, 94.7, 61.7, 14.0.

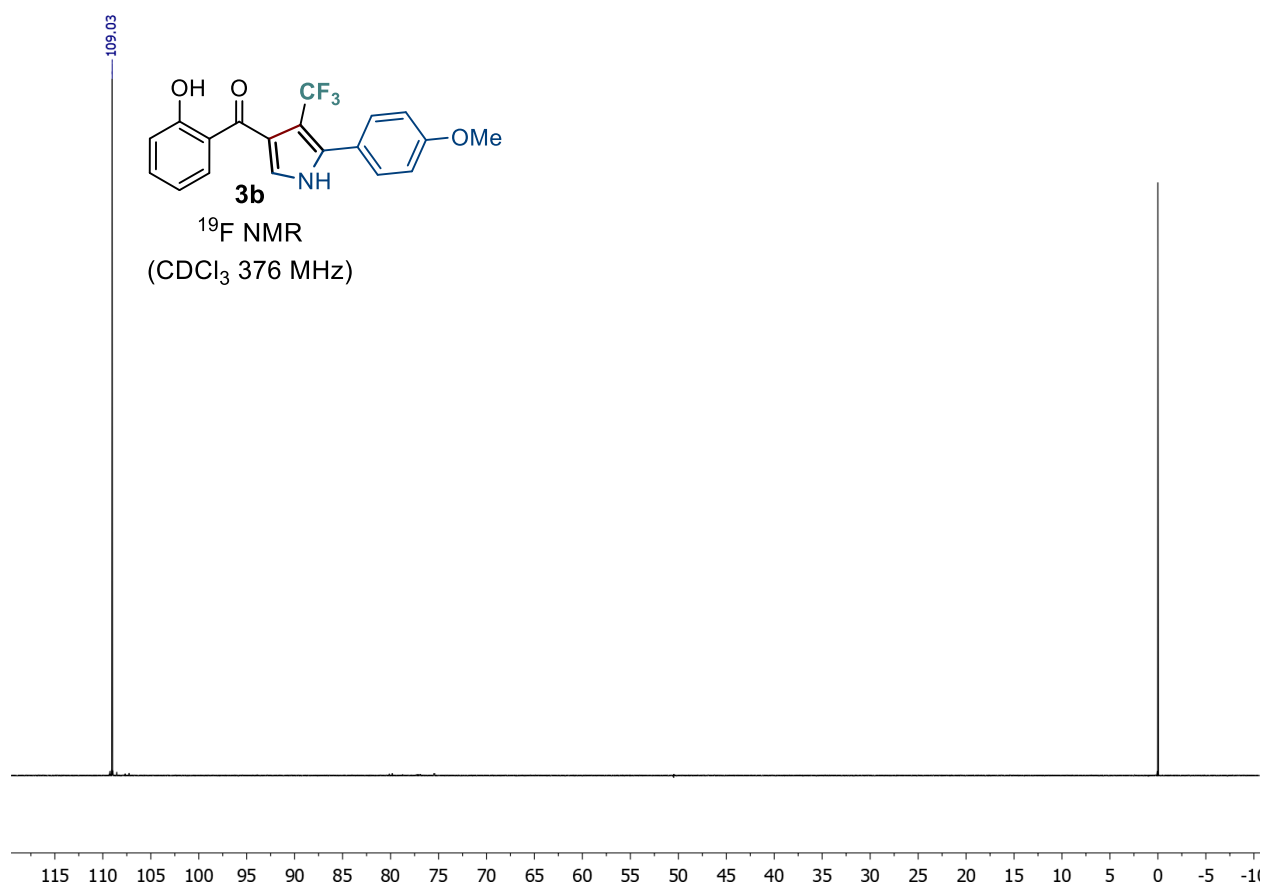
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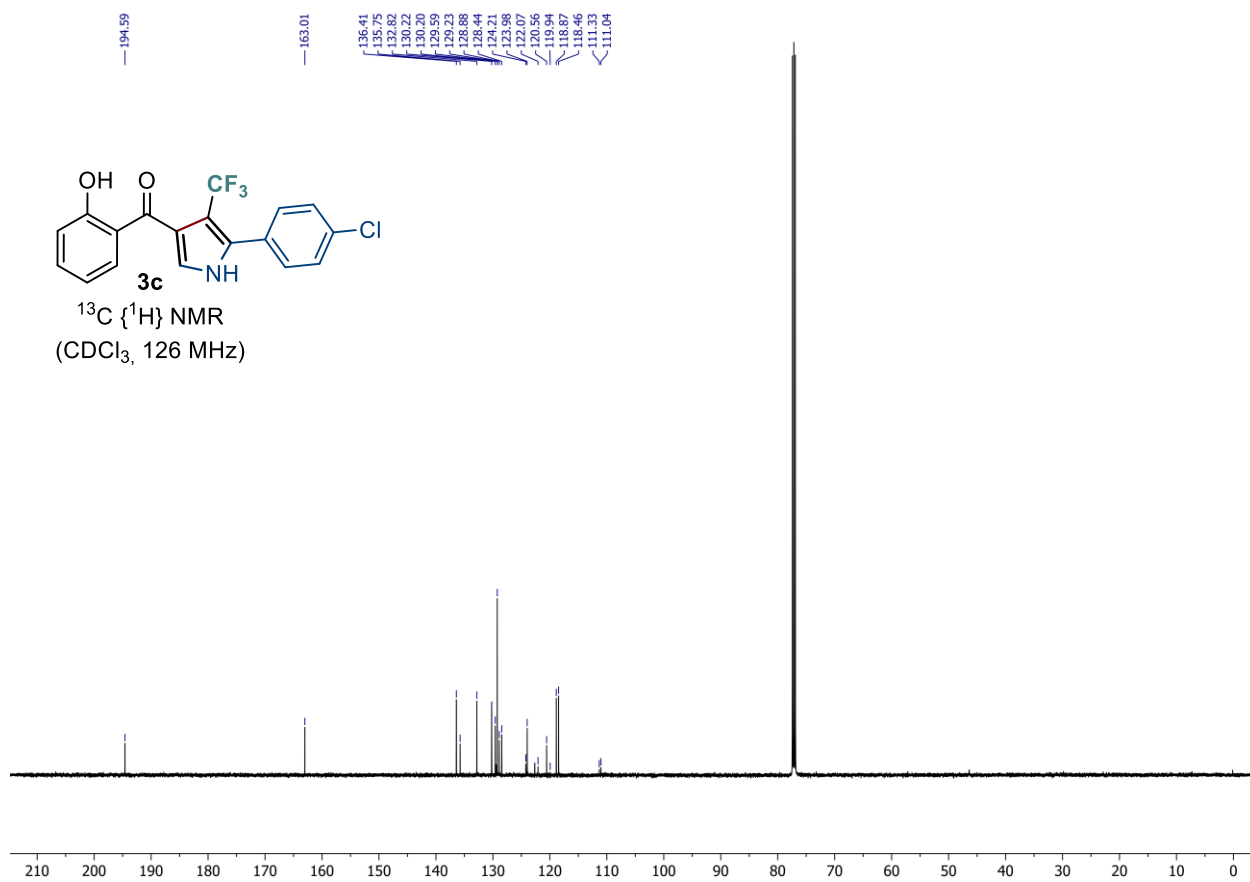
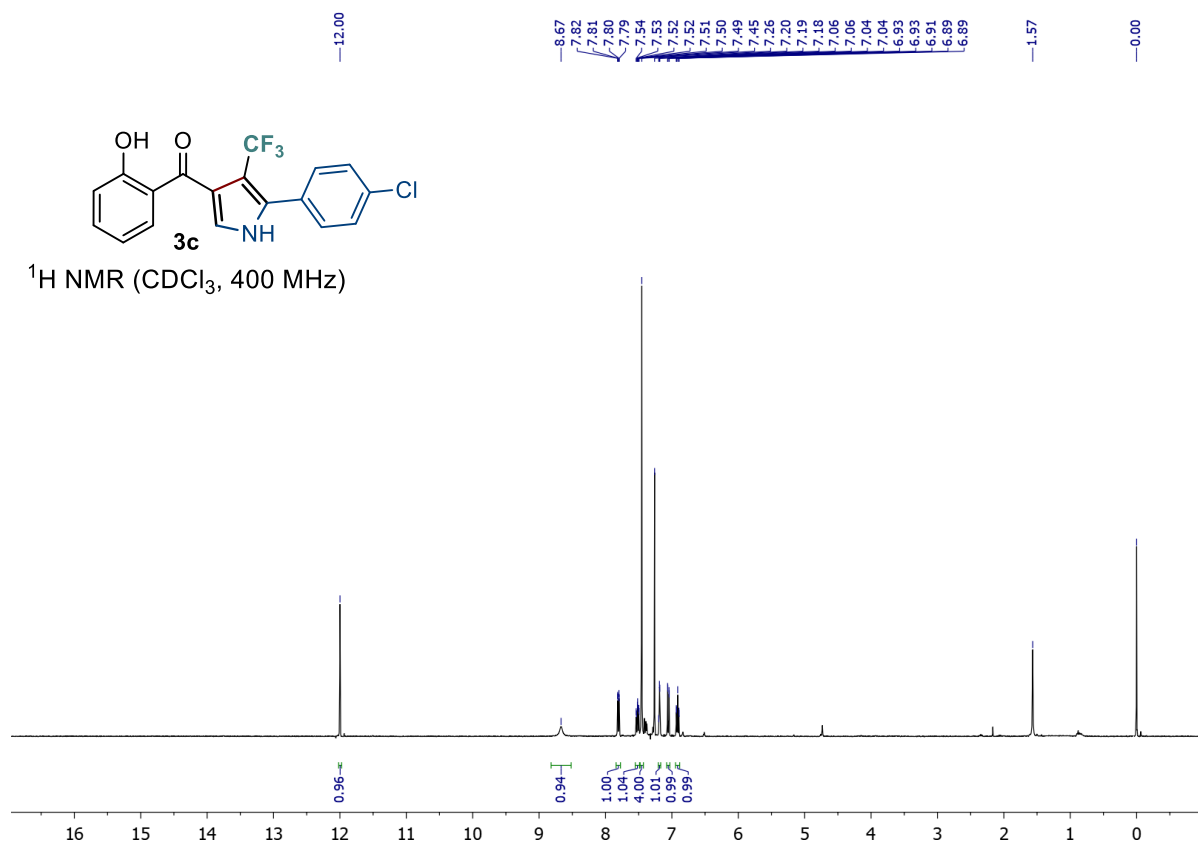
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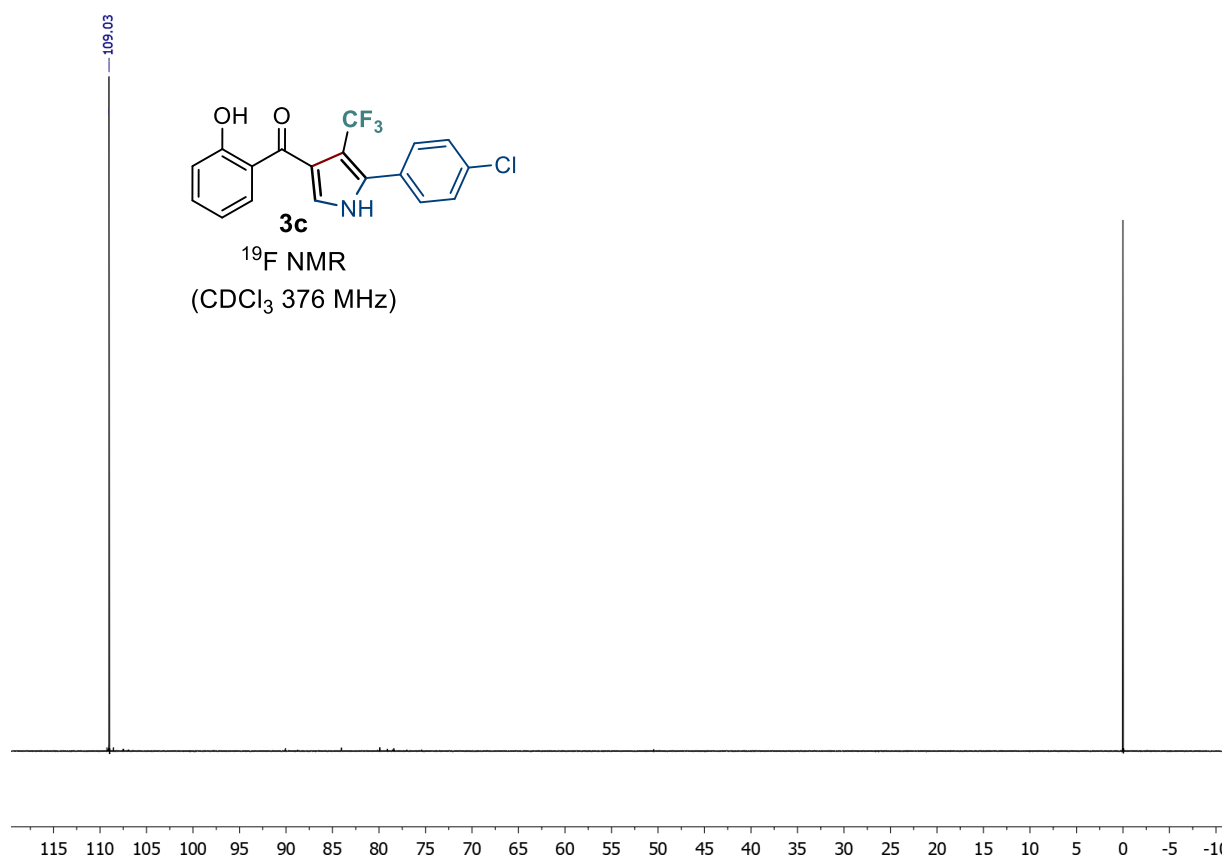


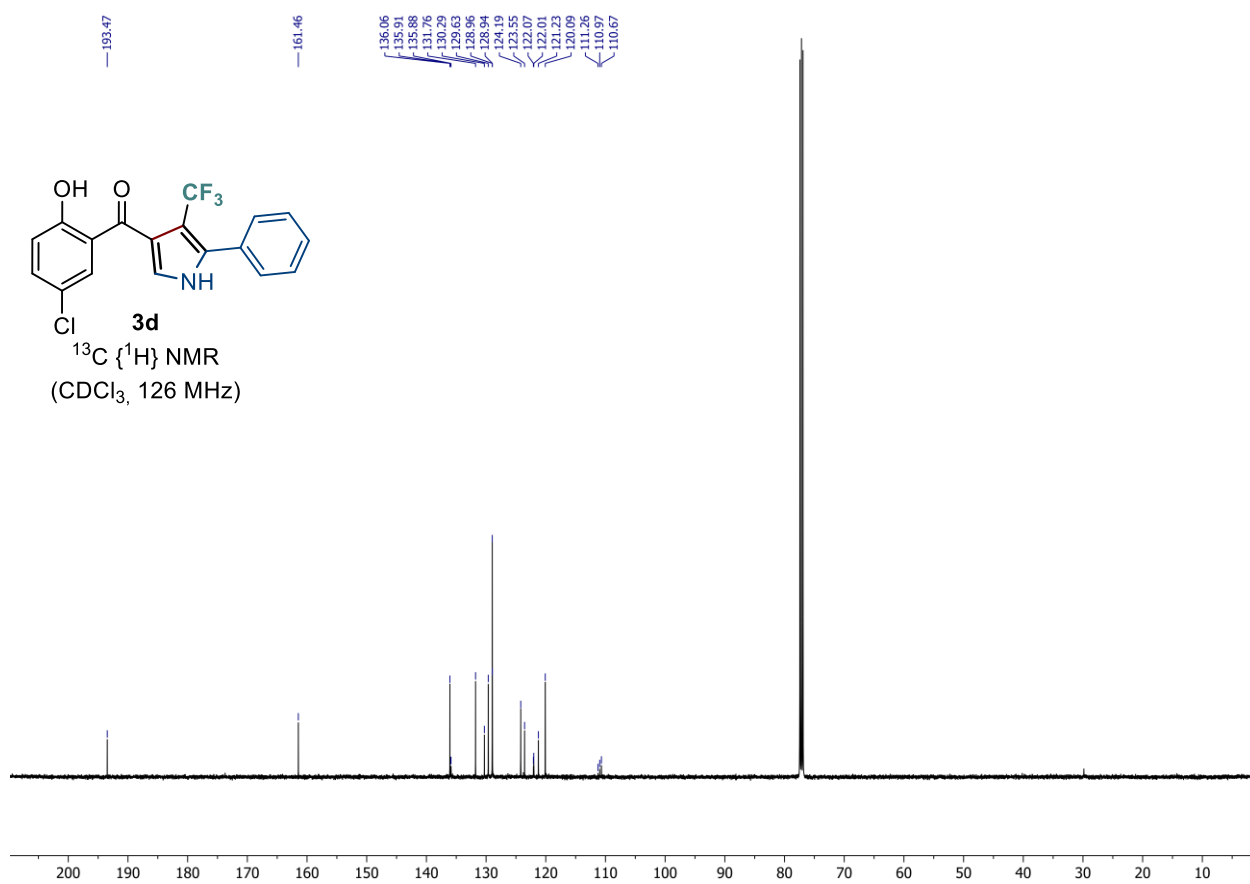
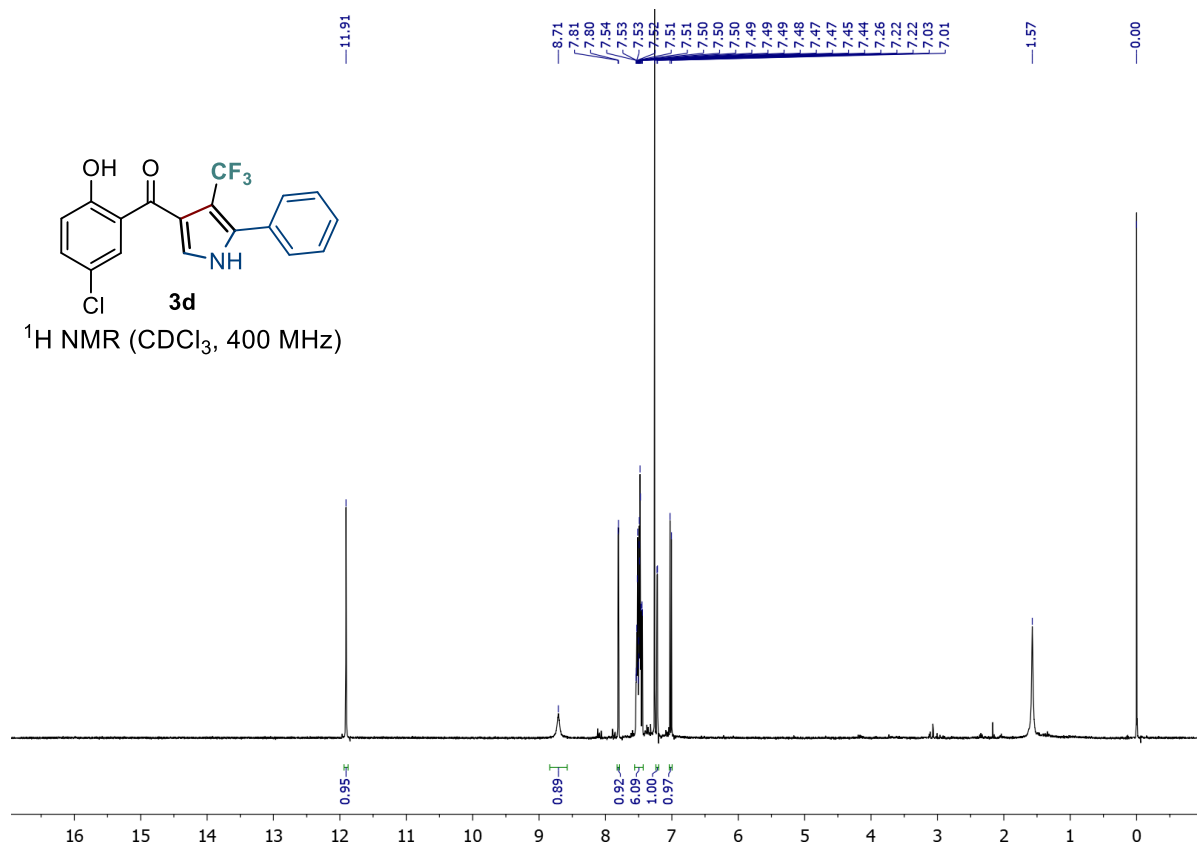


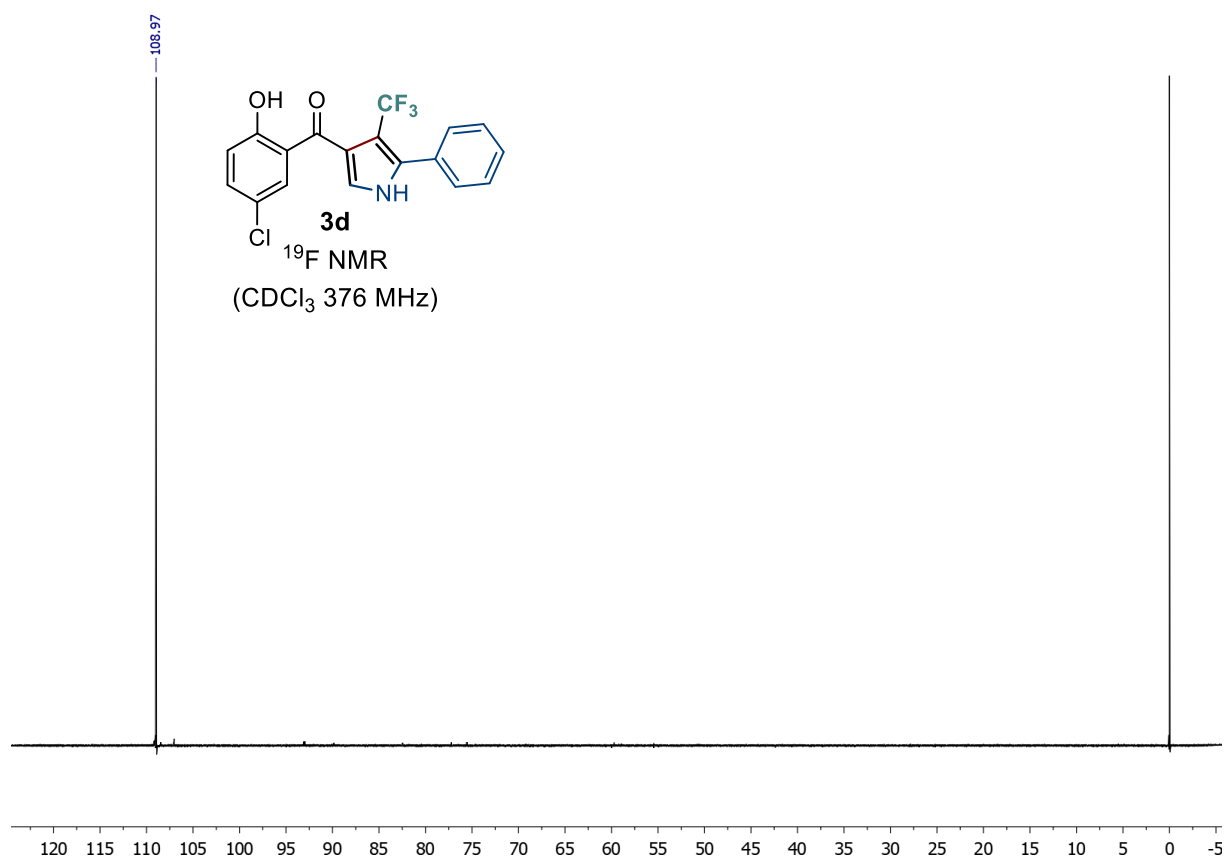


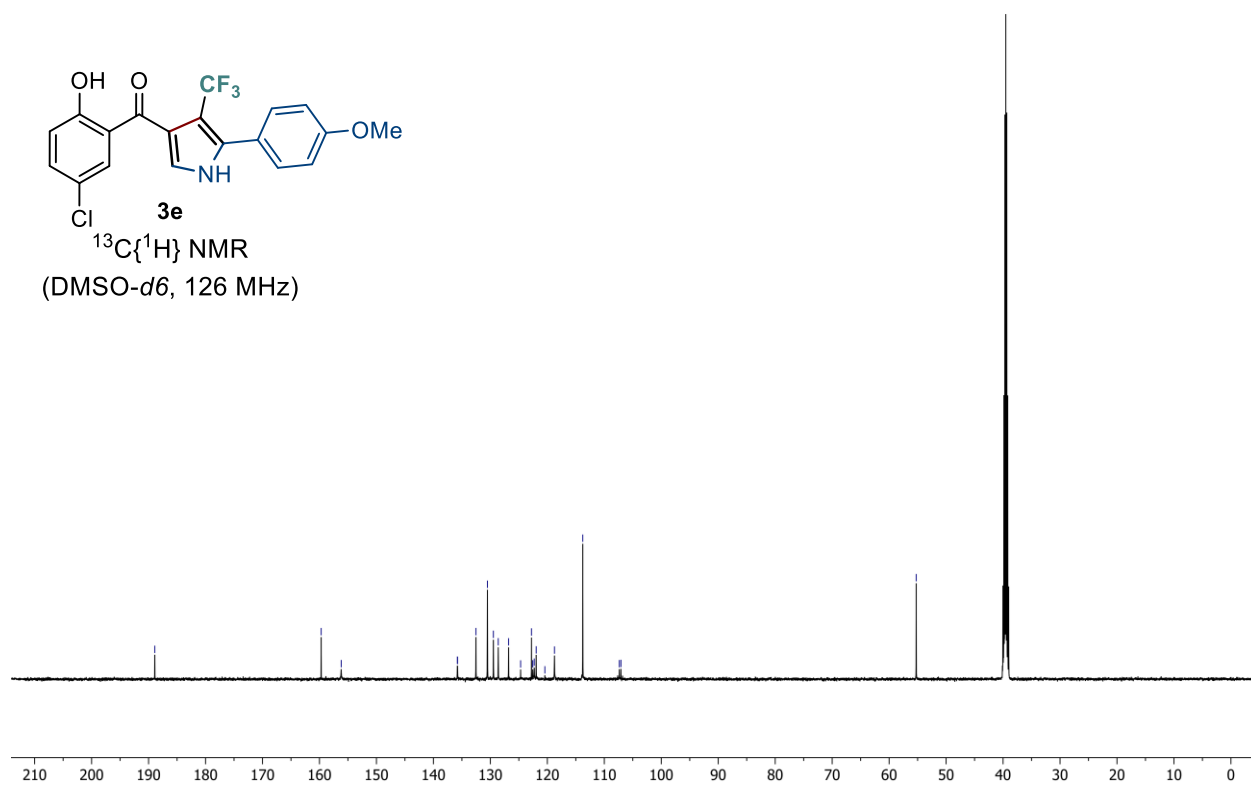
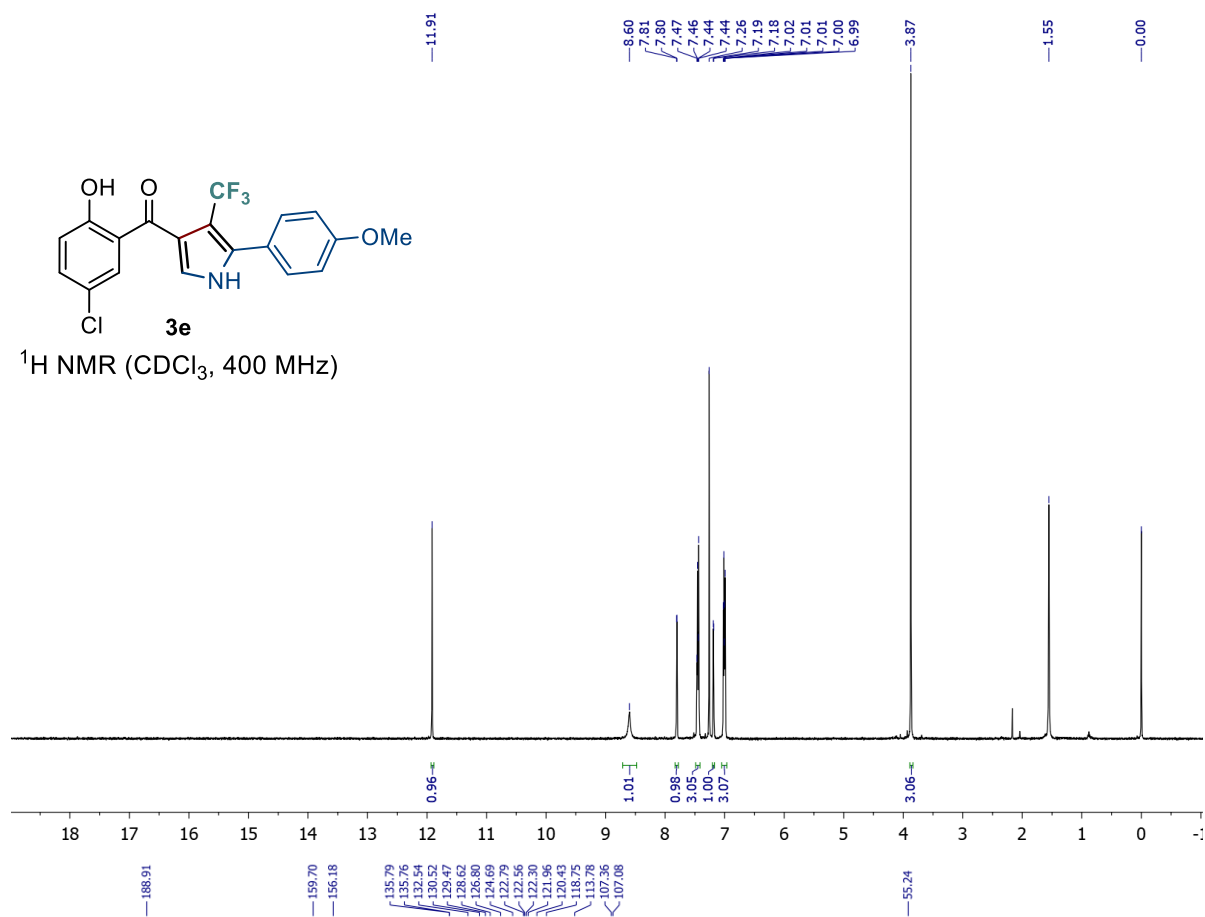


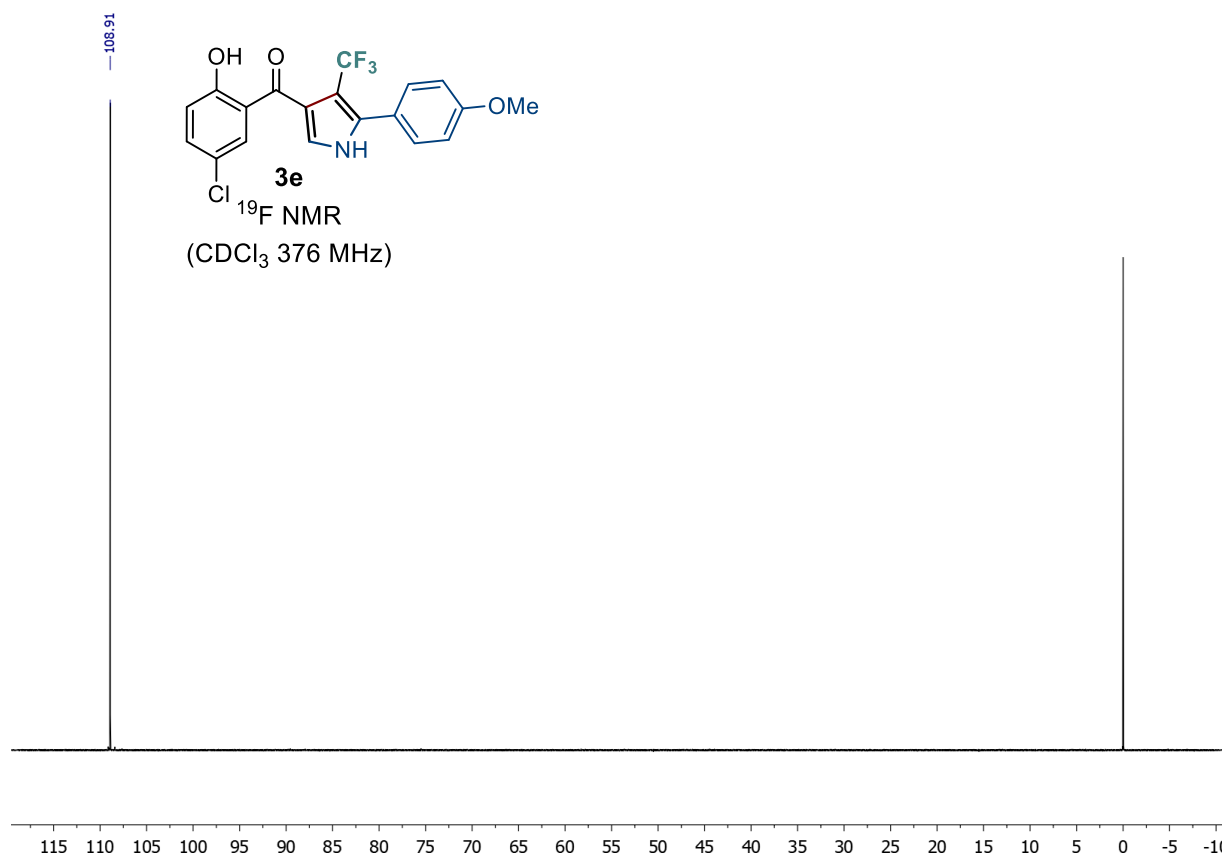


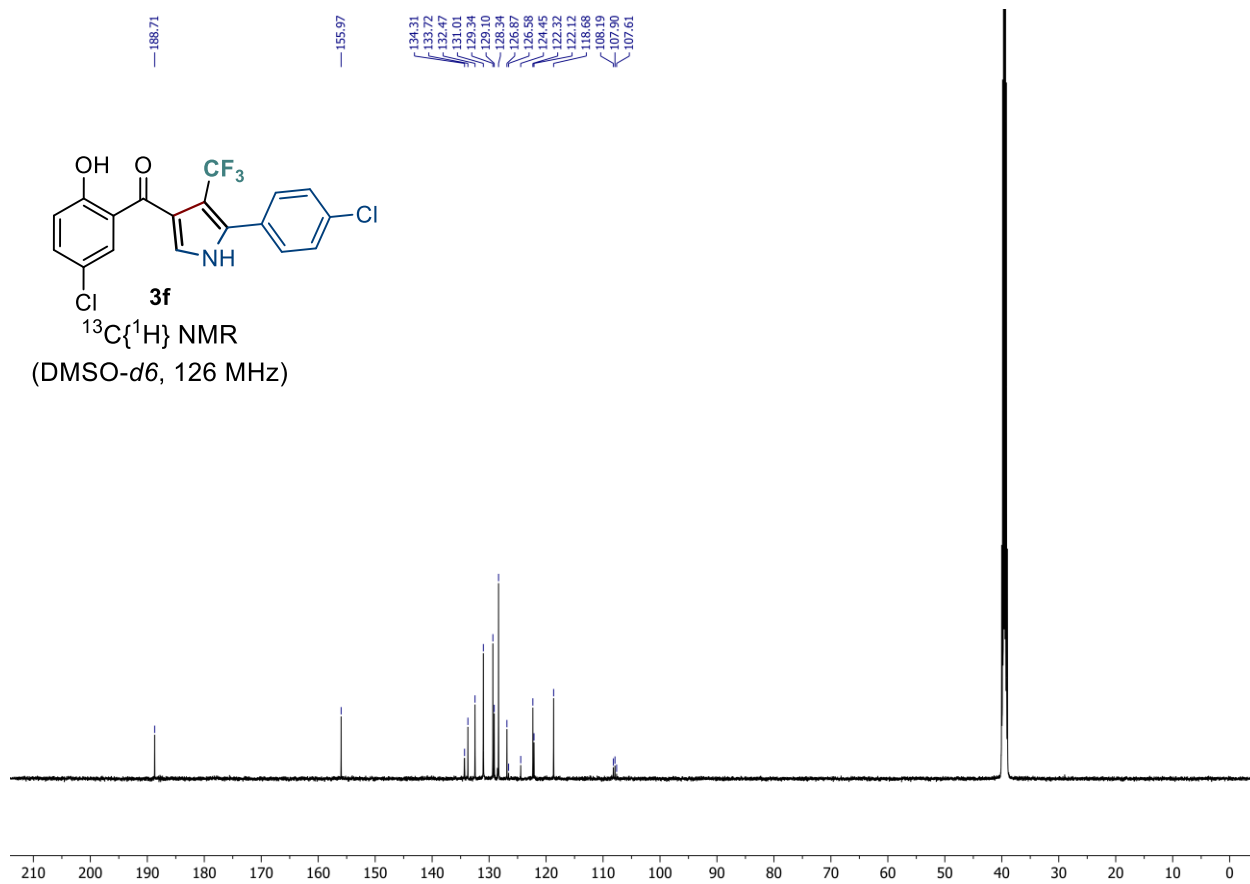
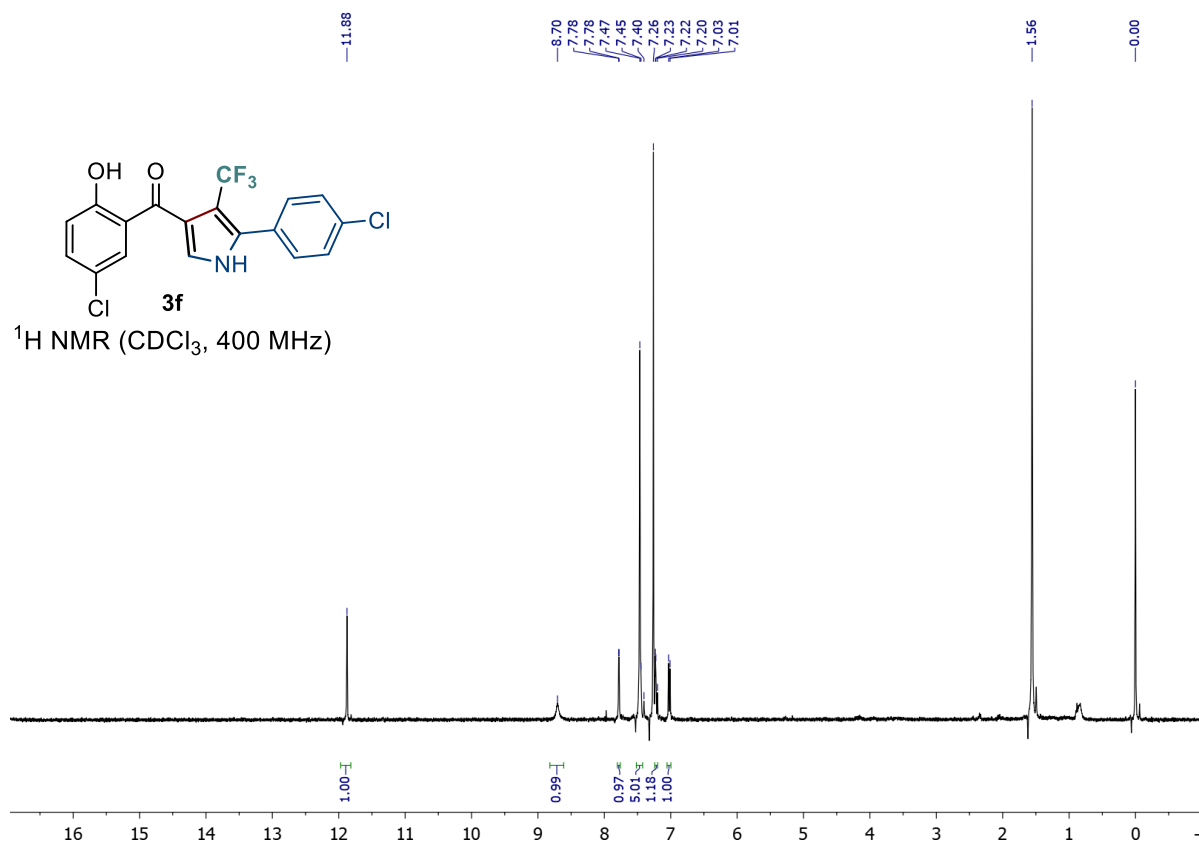


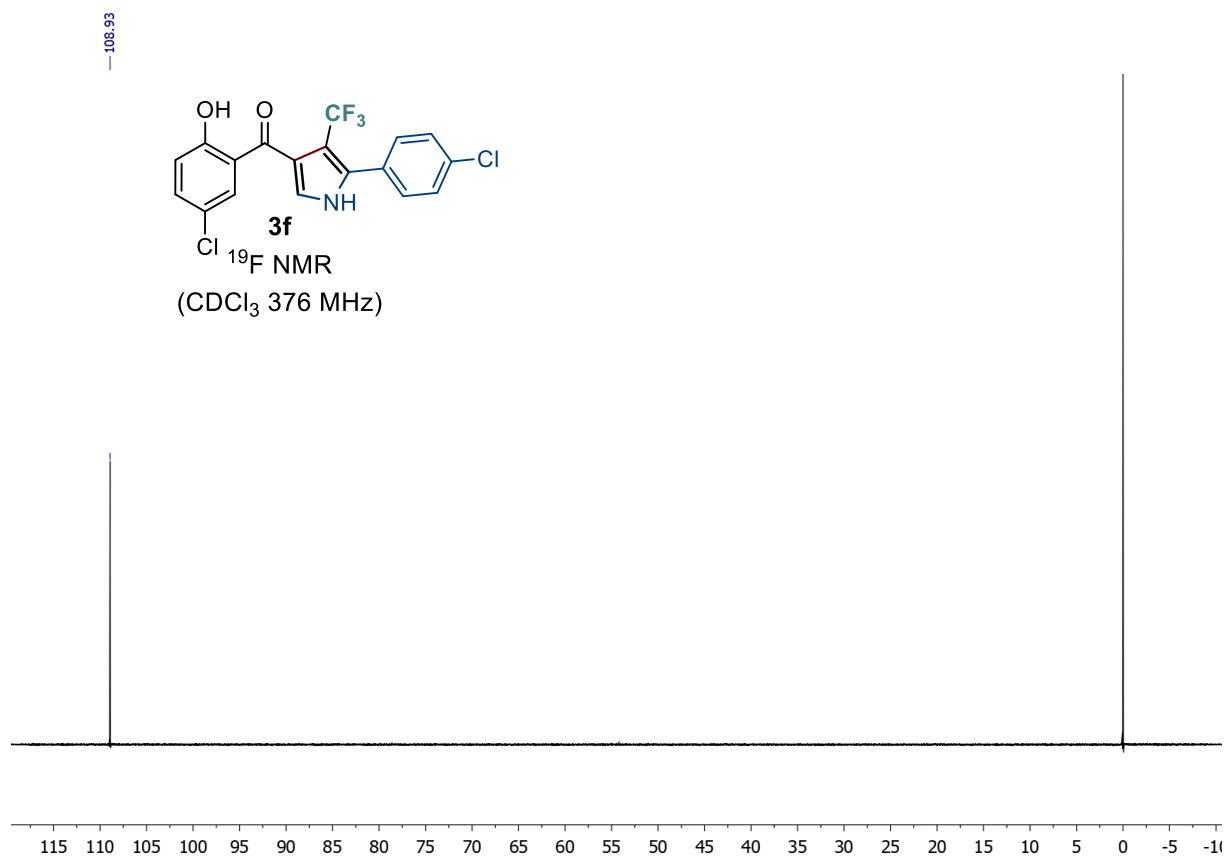


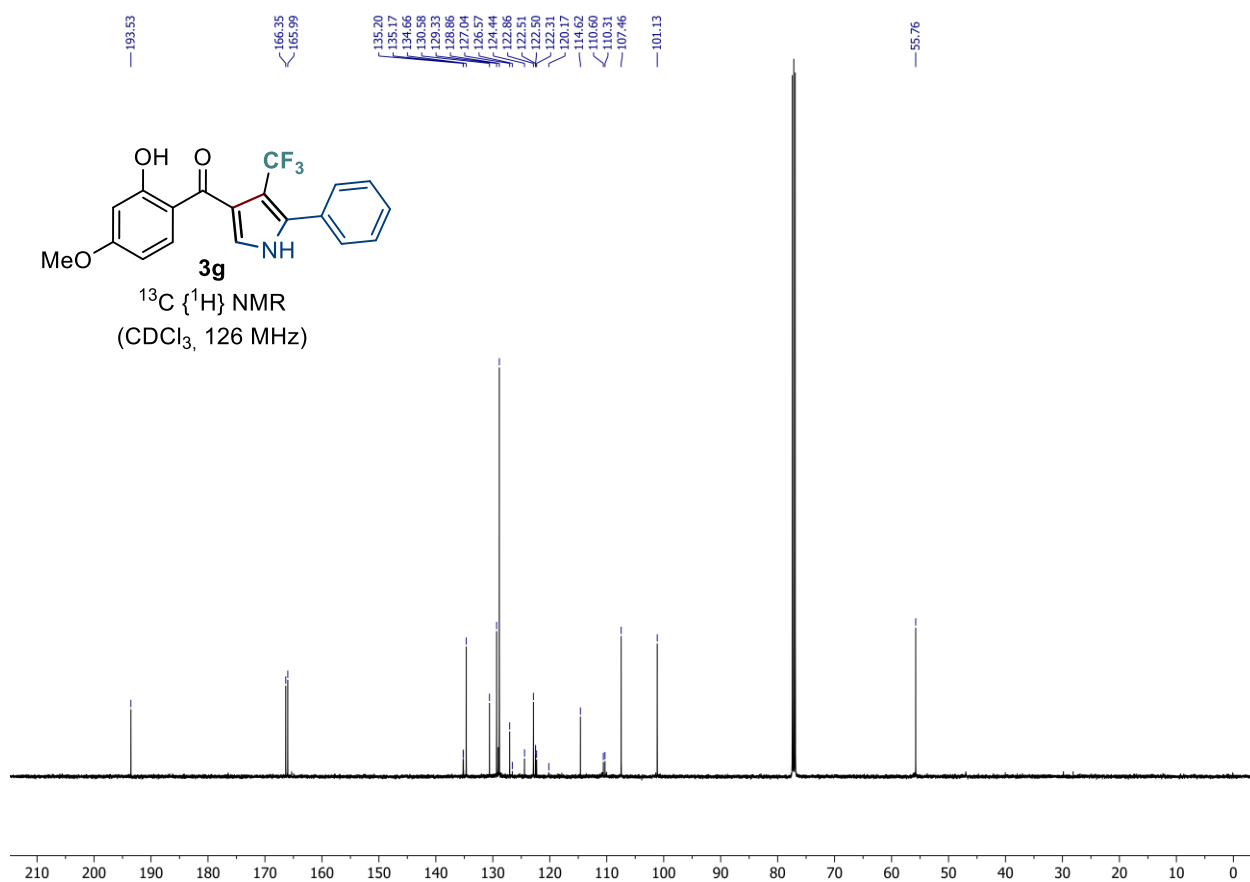
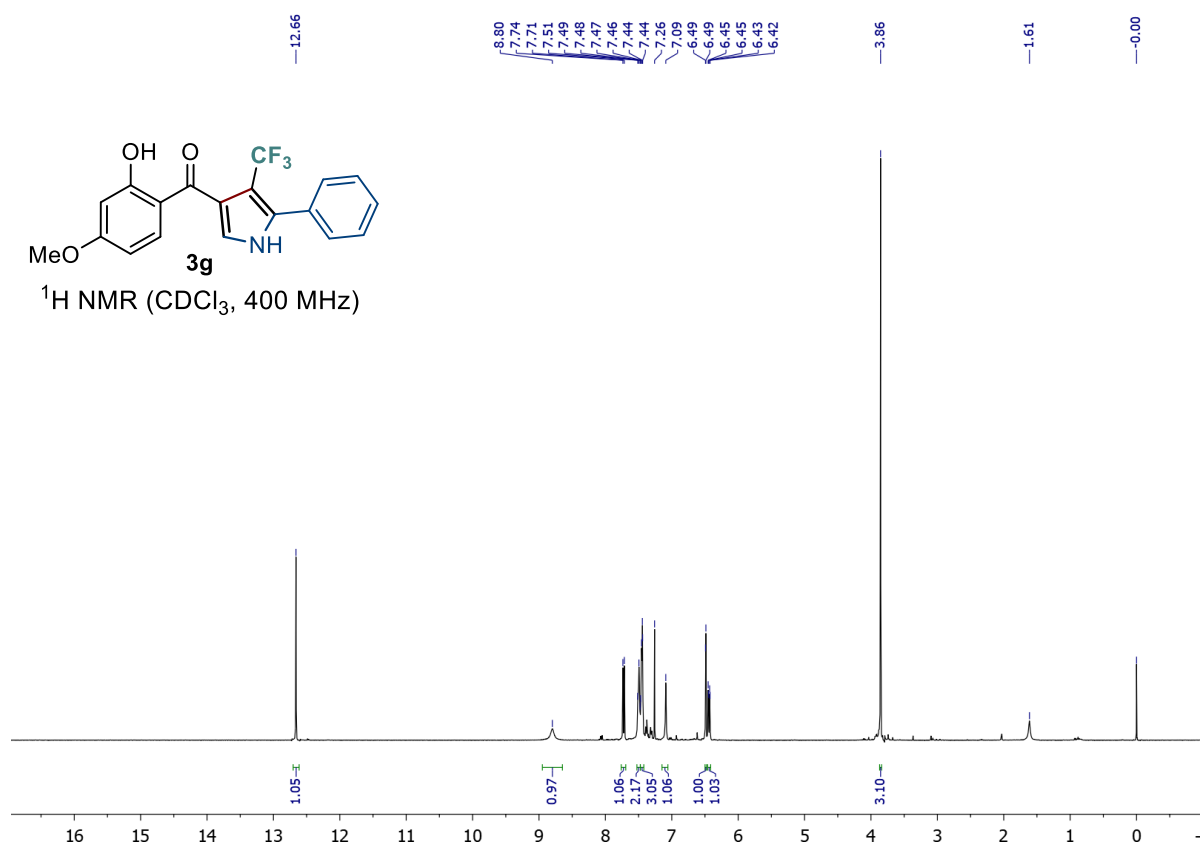


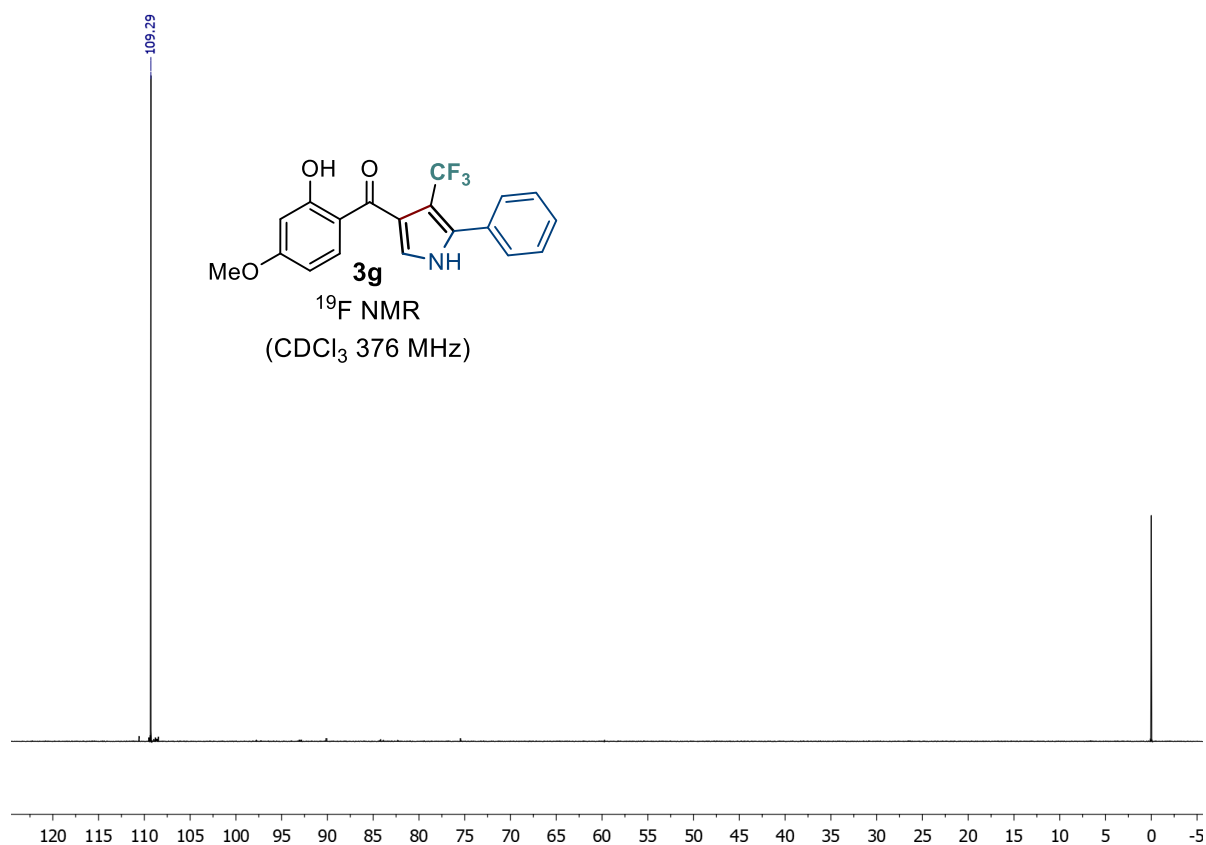


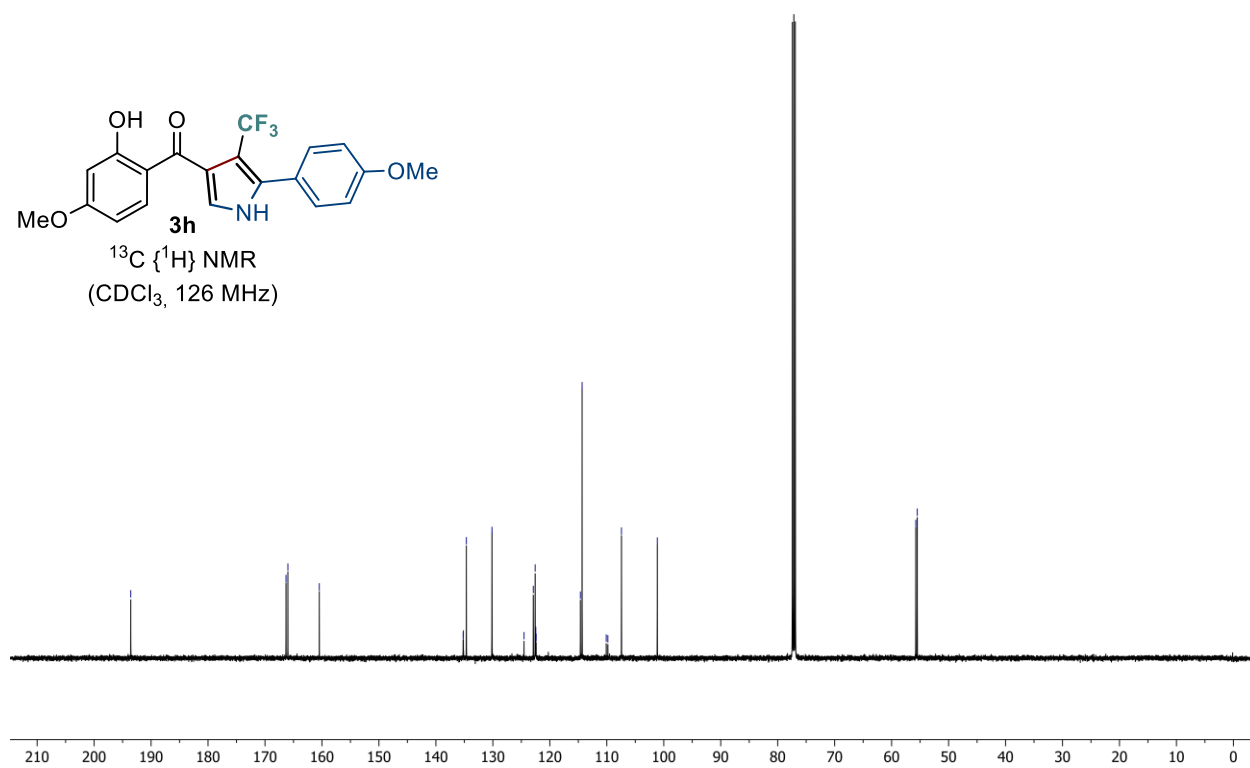
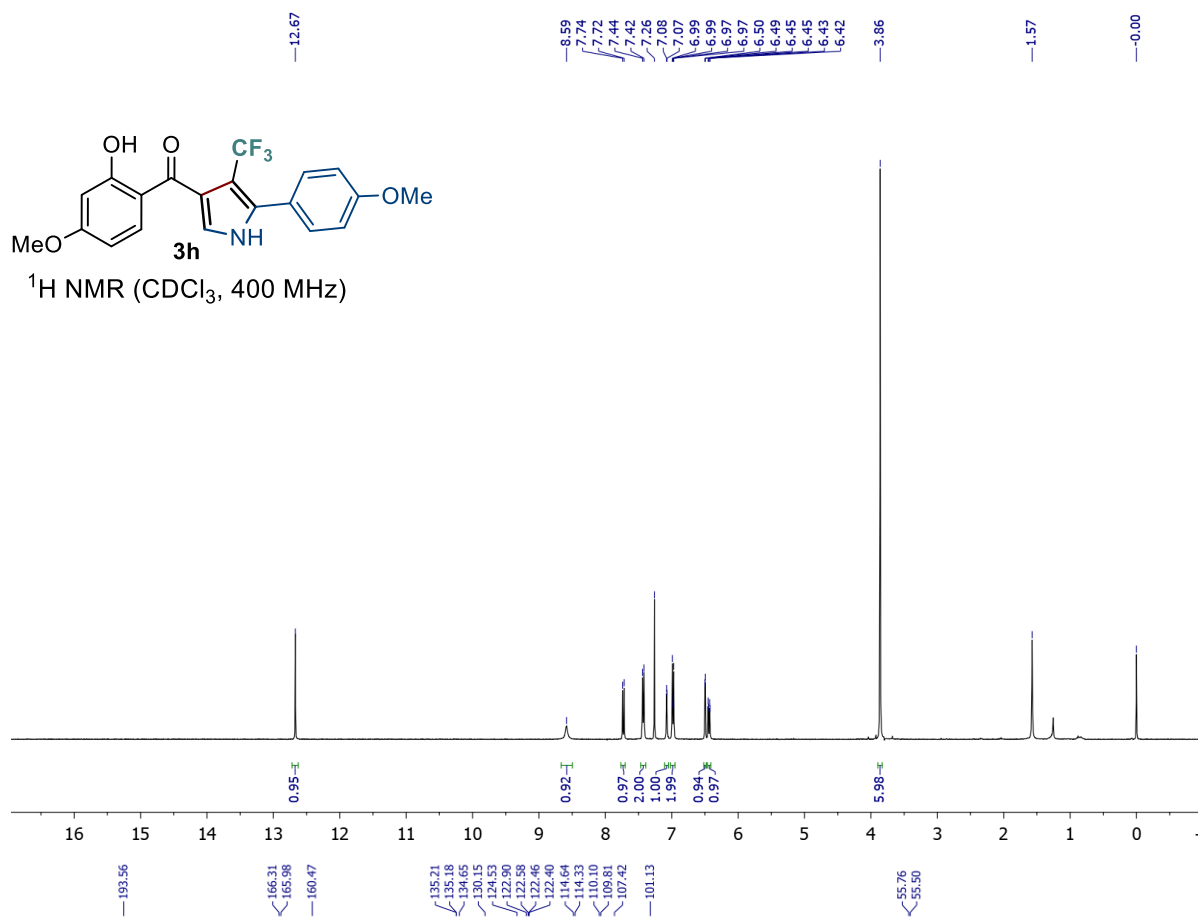


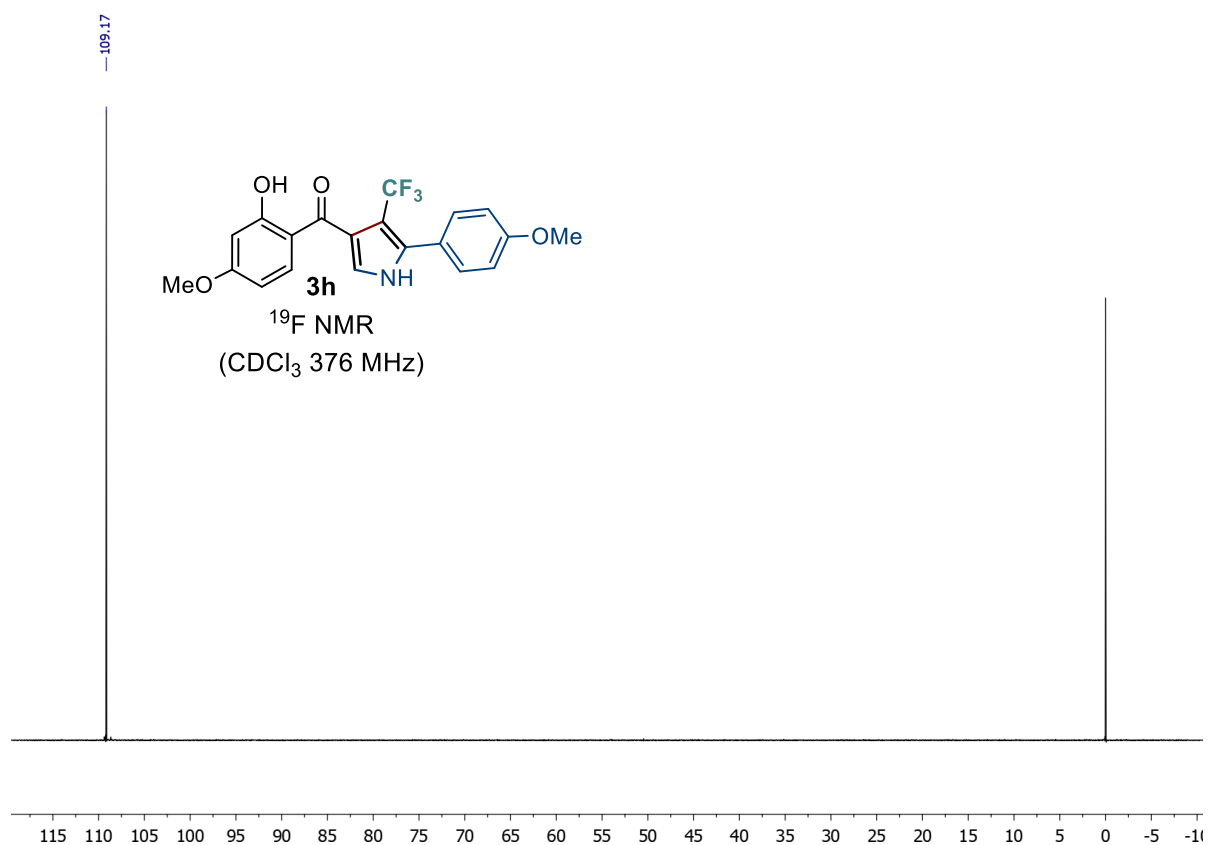


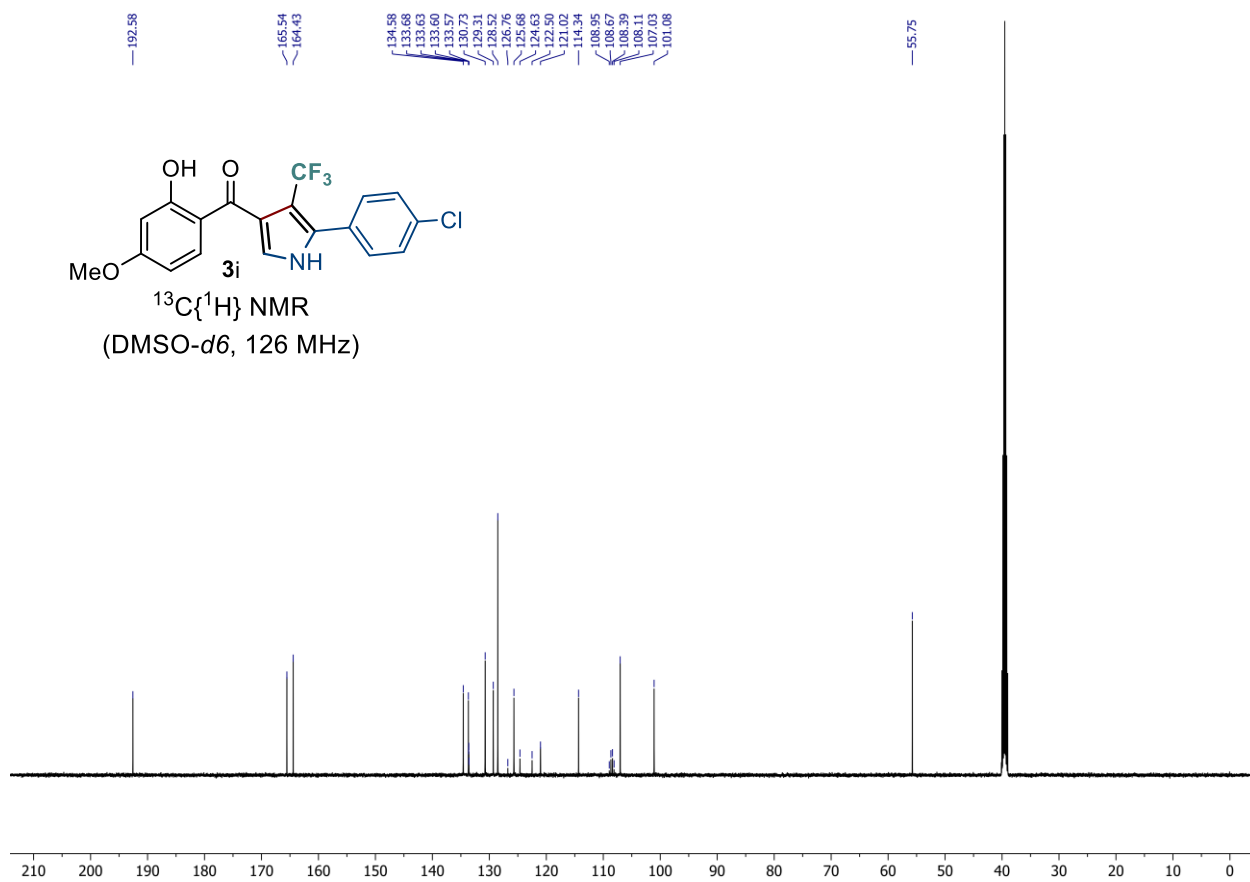
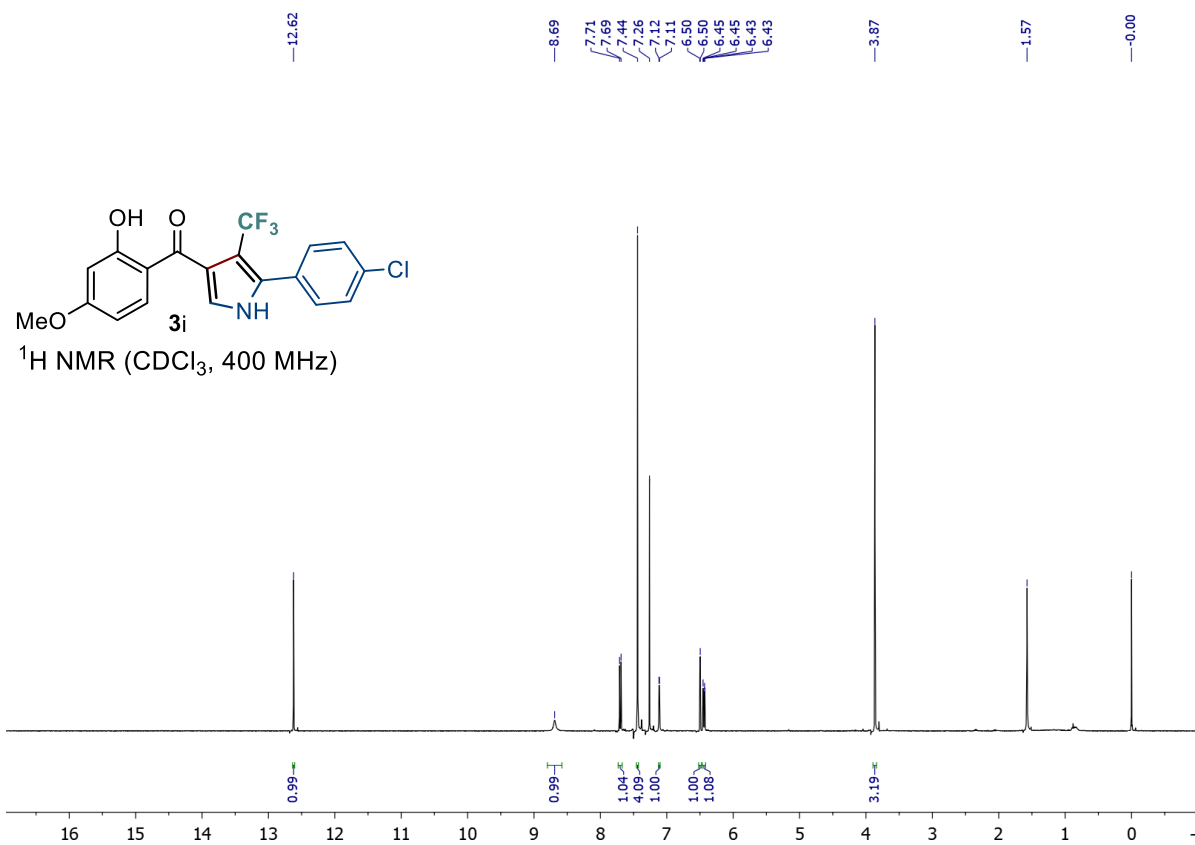


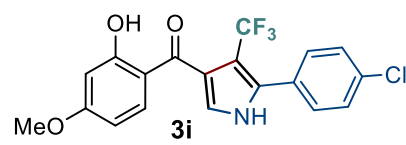




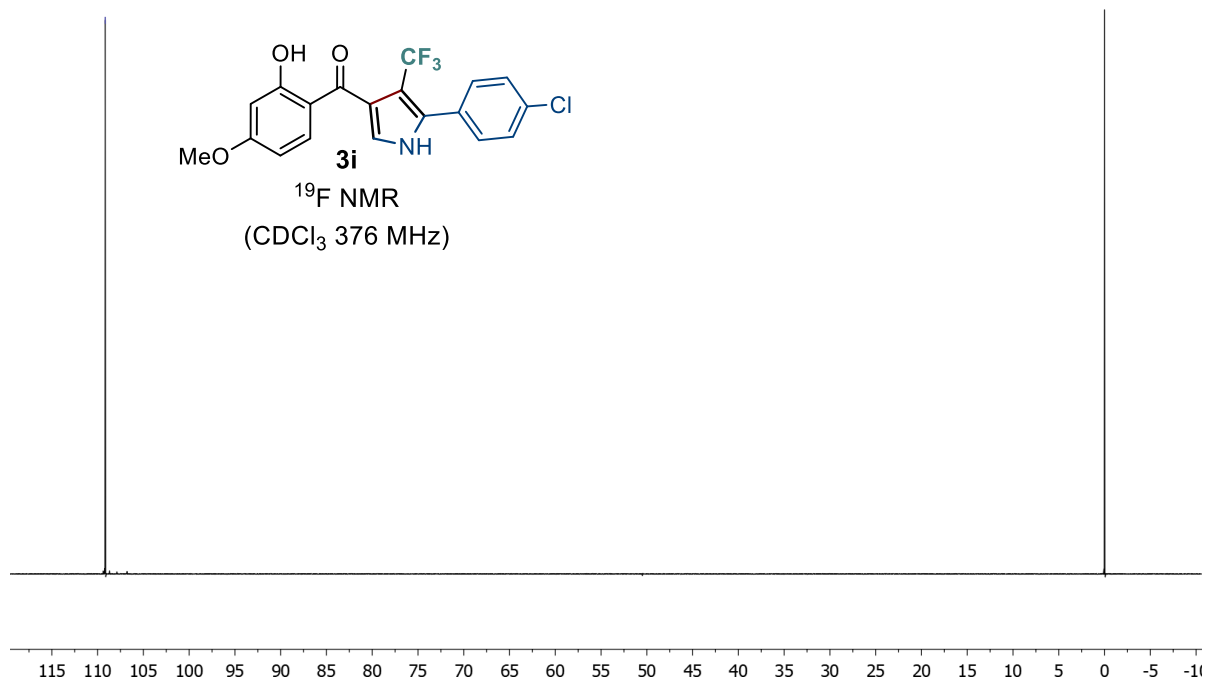


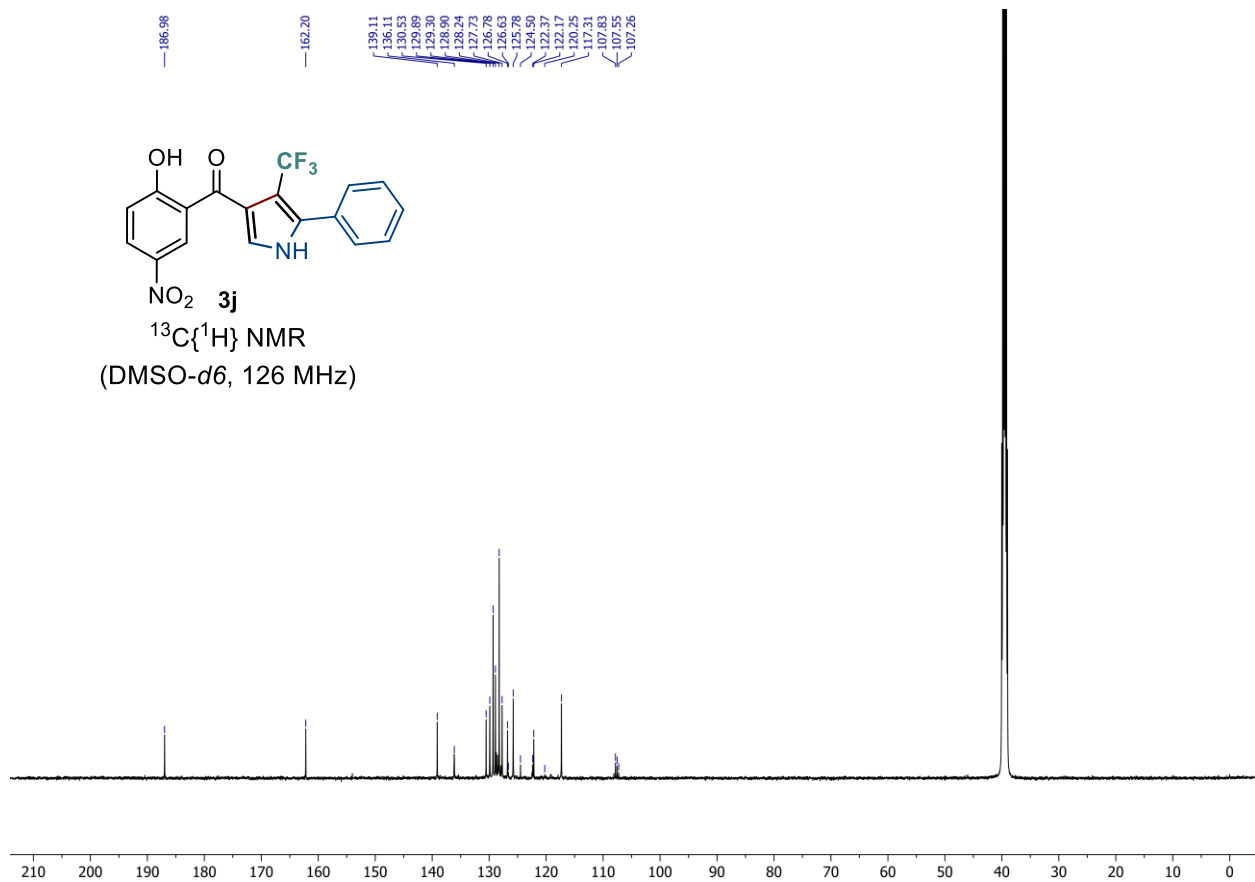
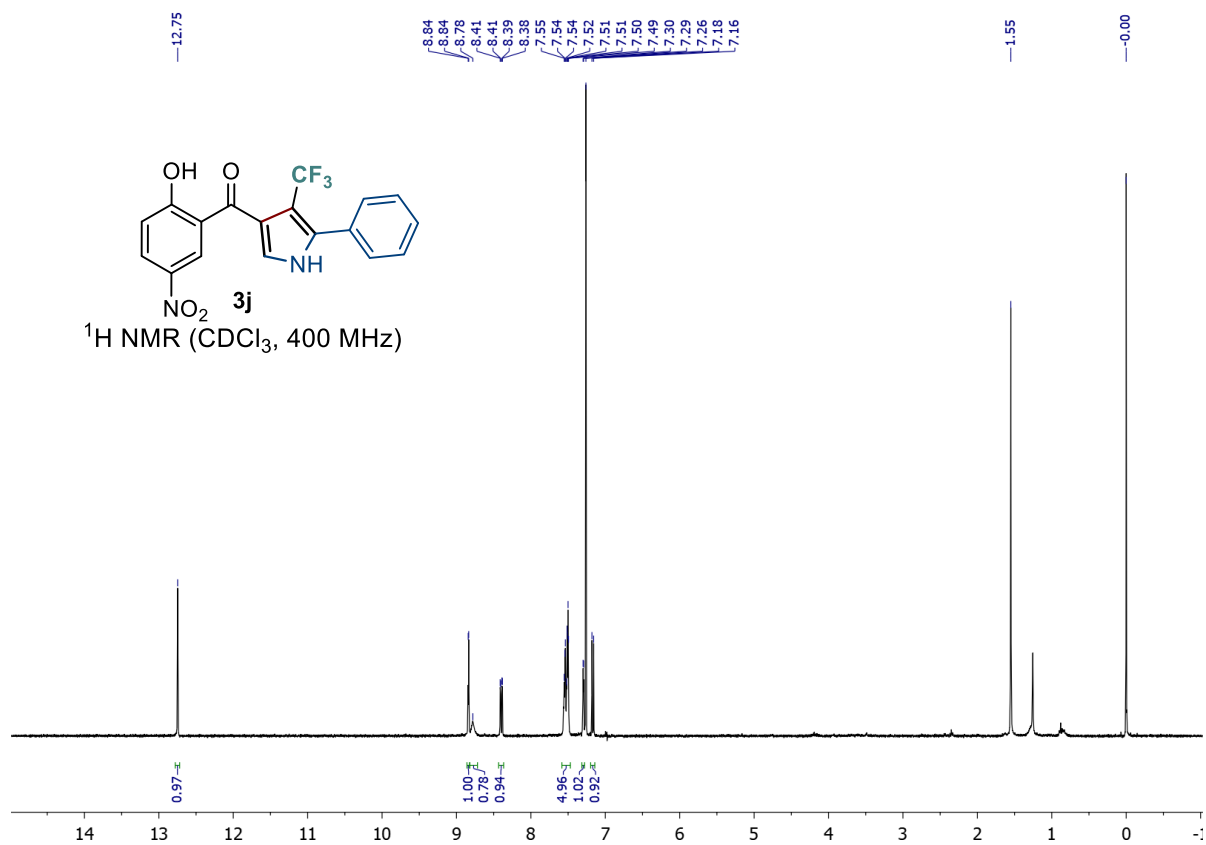


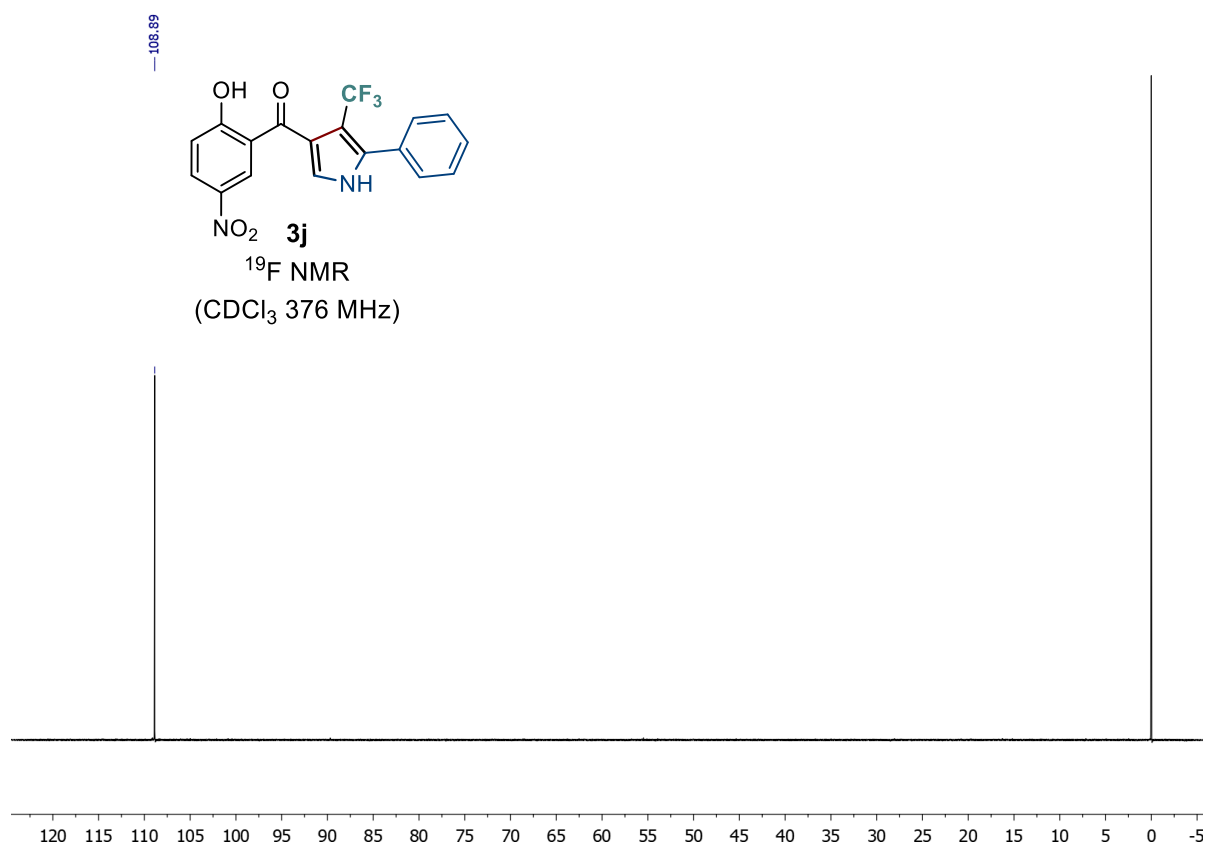


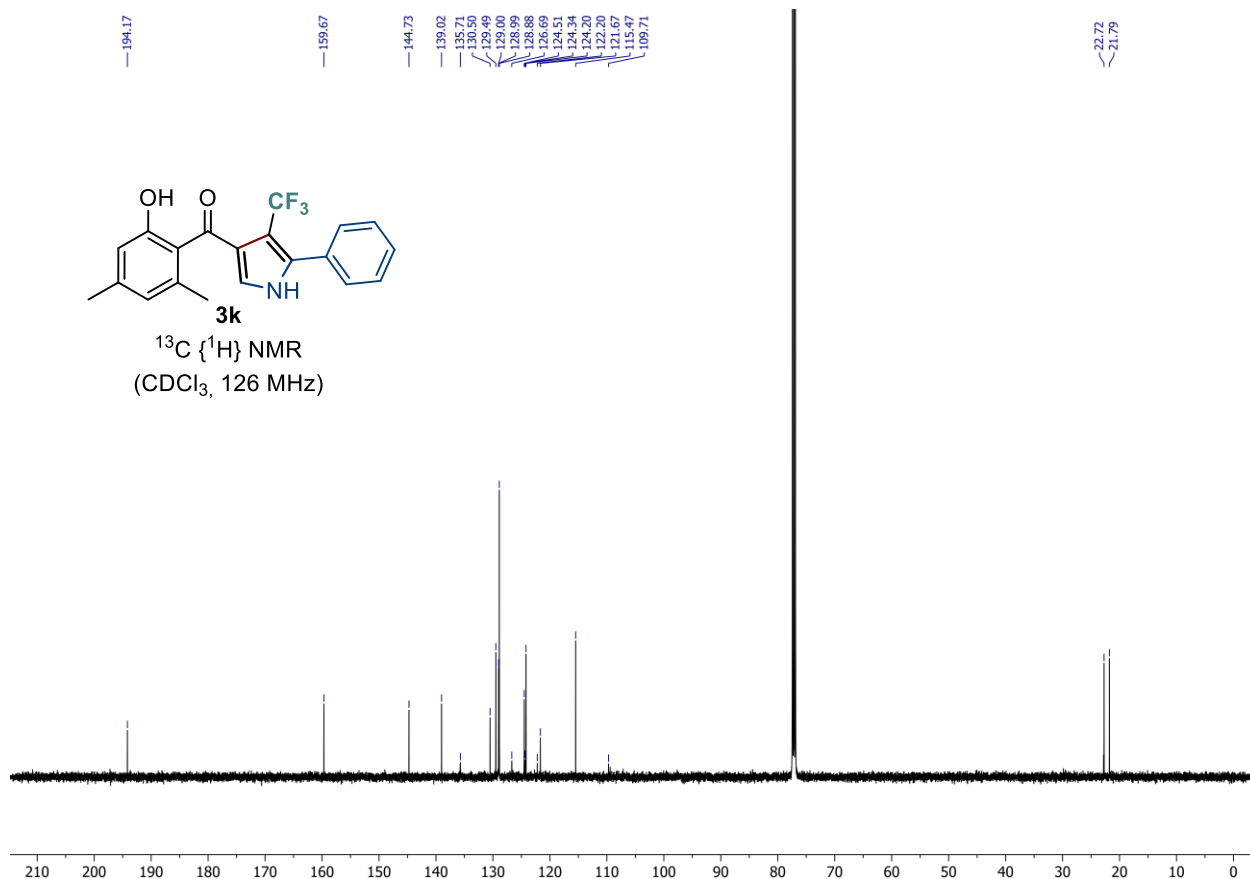
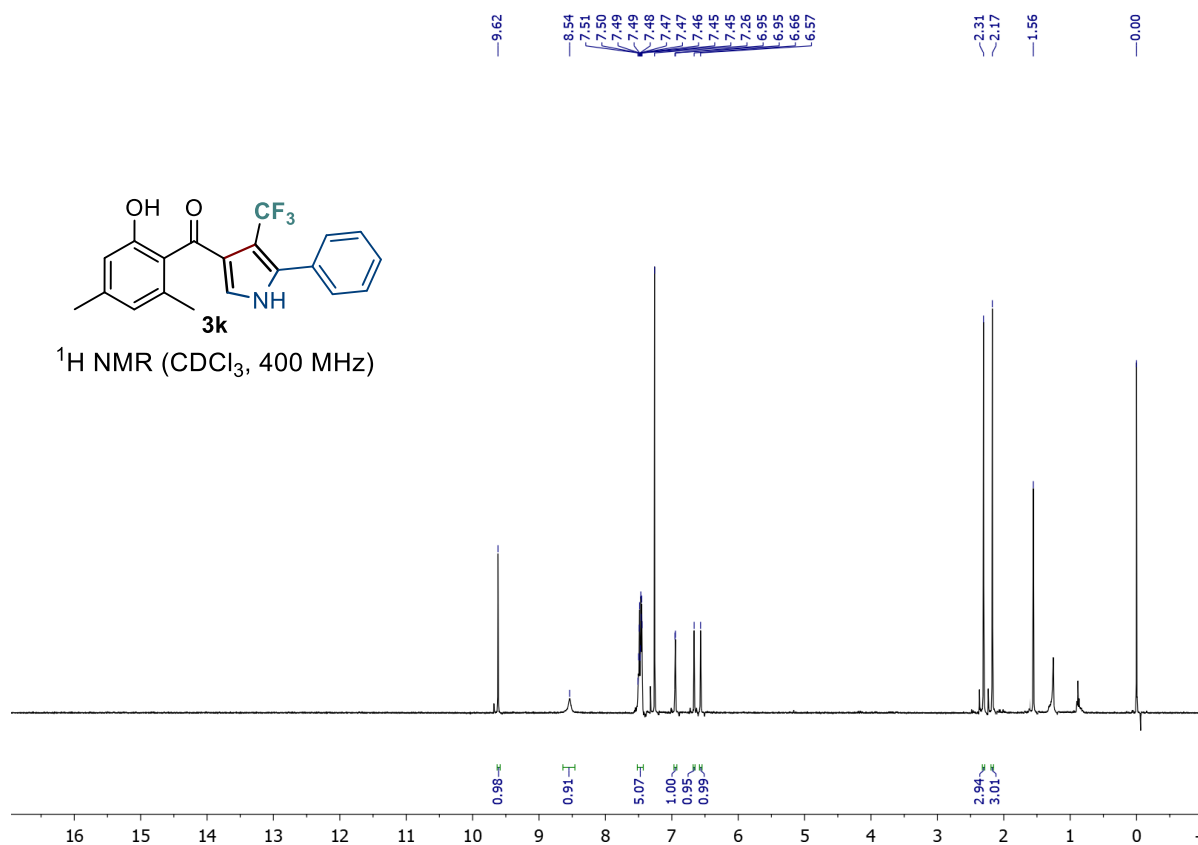


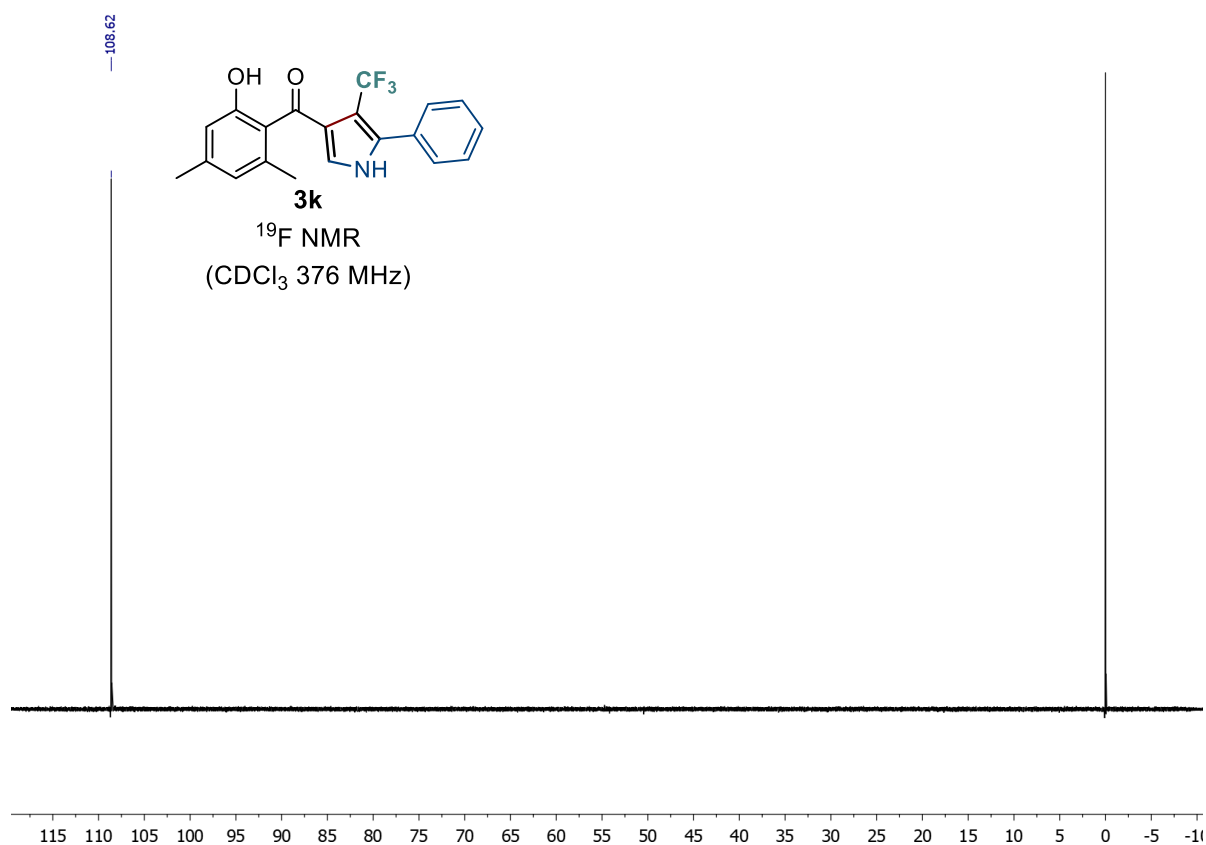
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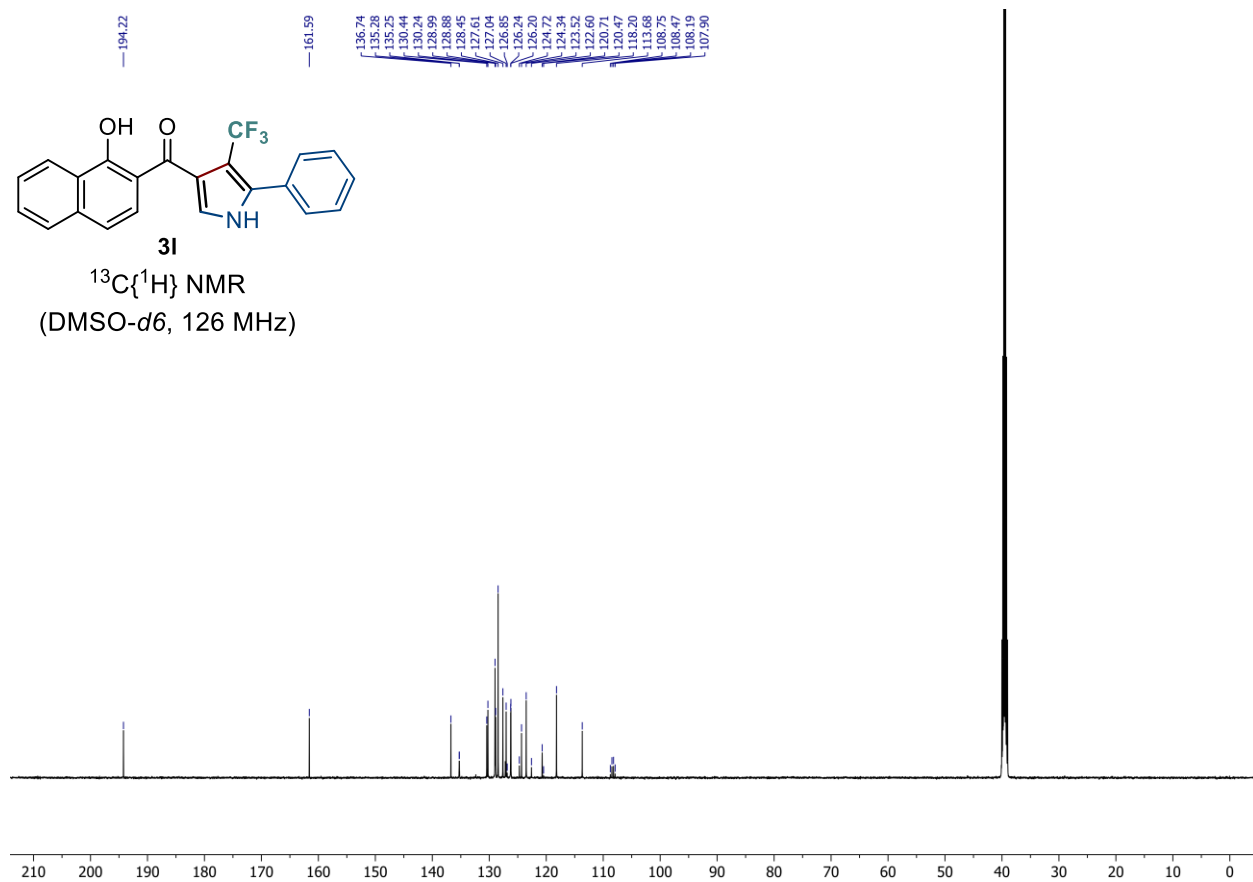
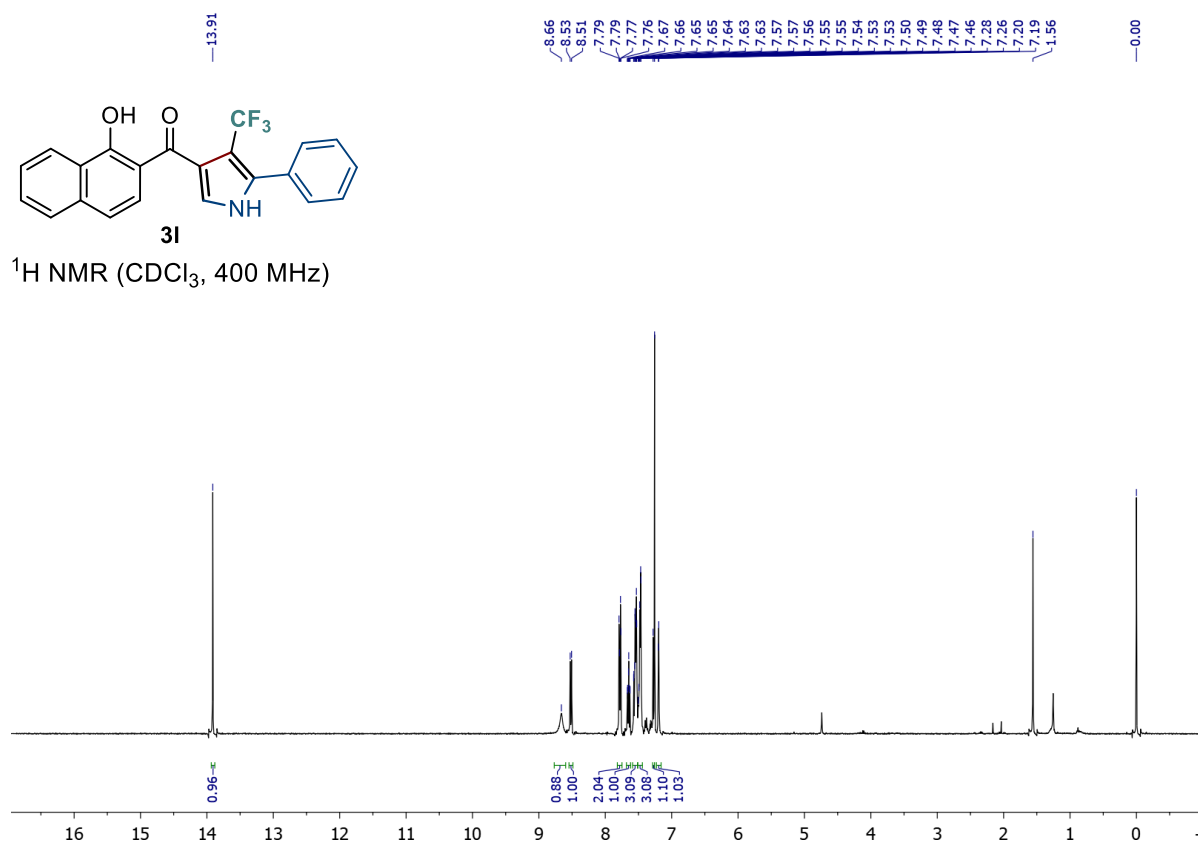


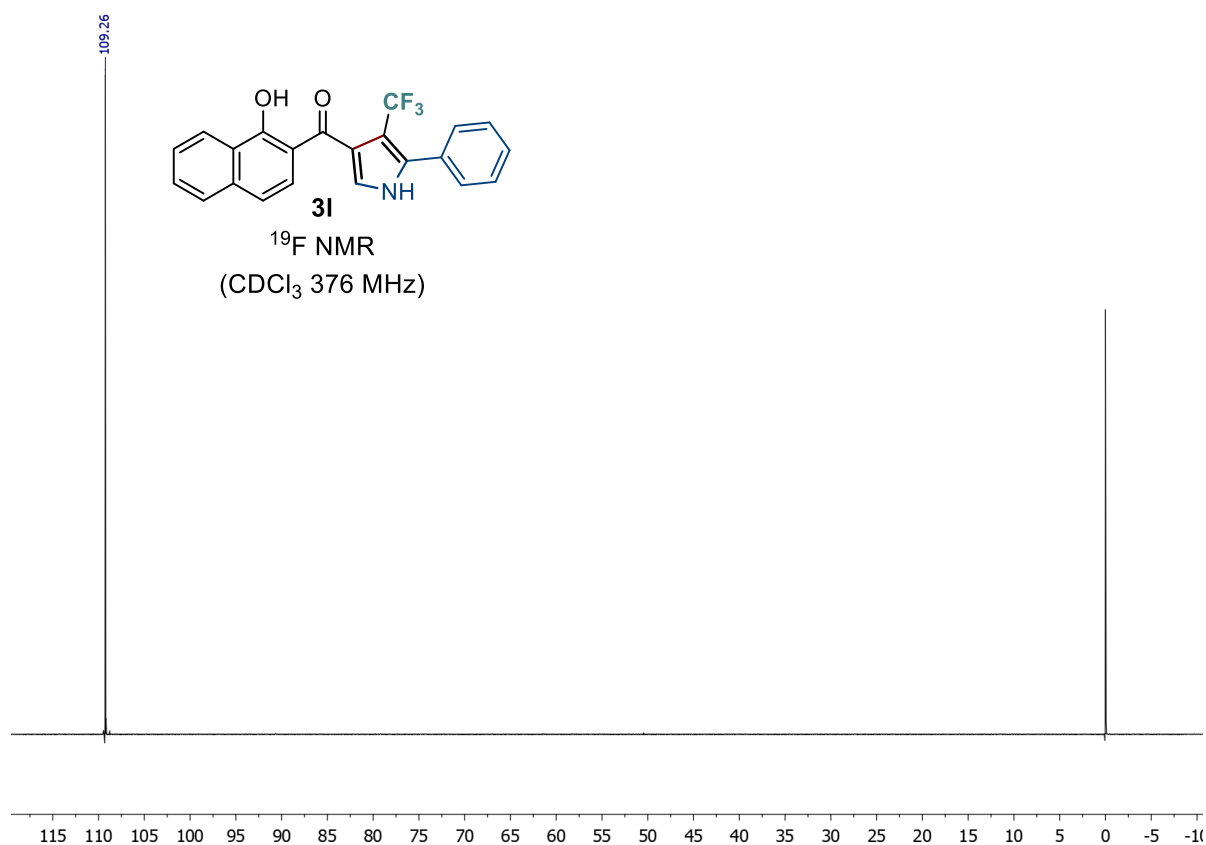


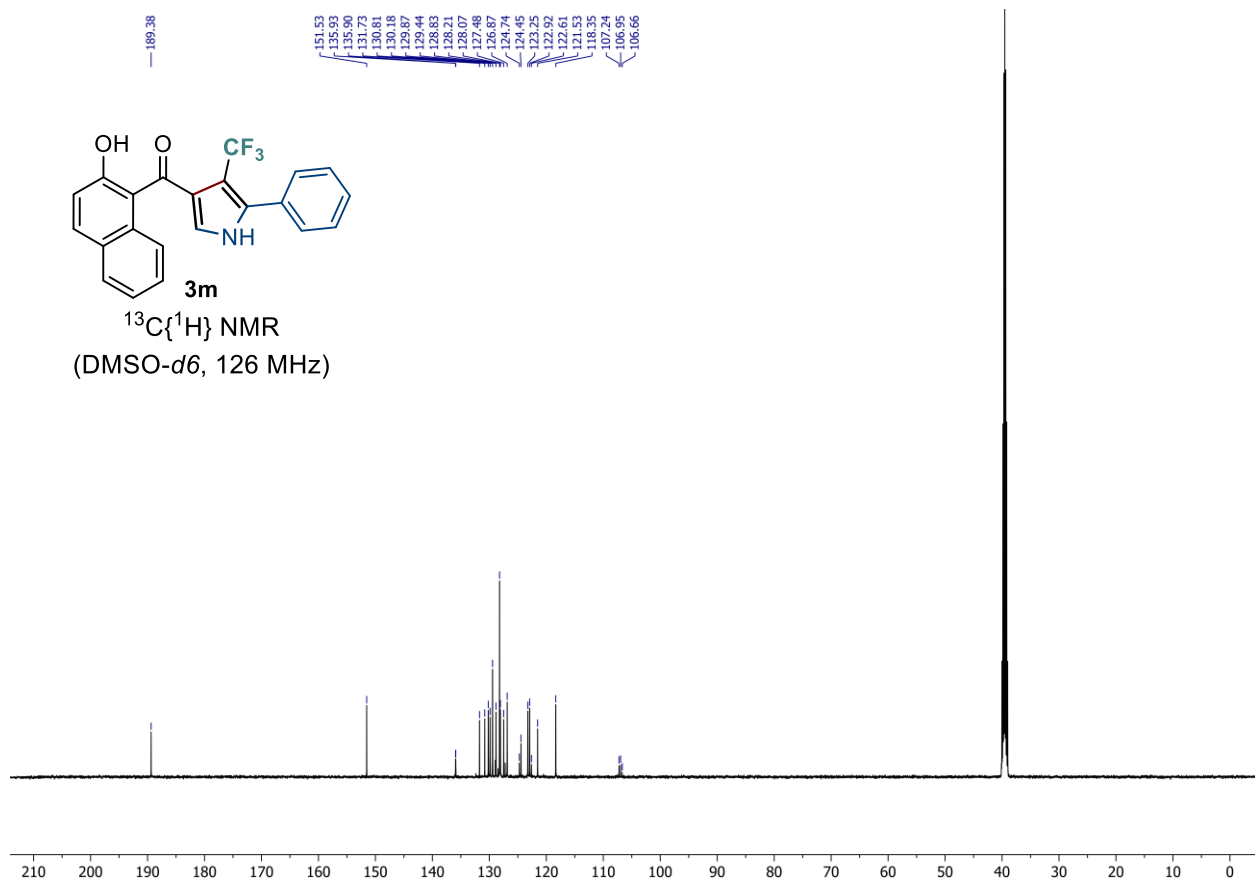
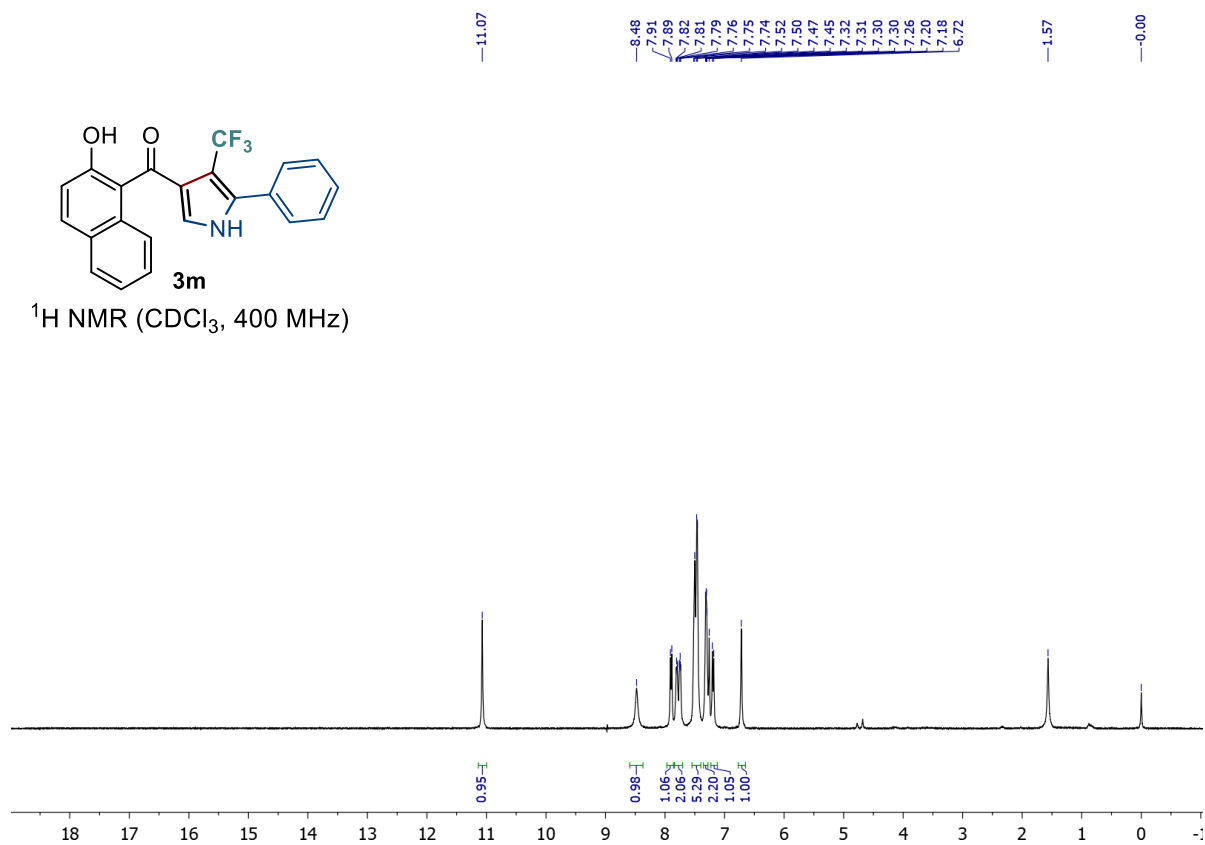


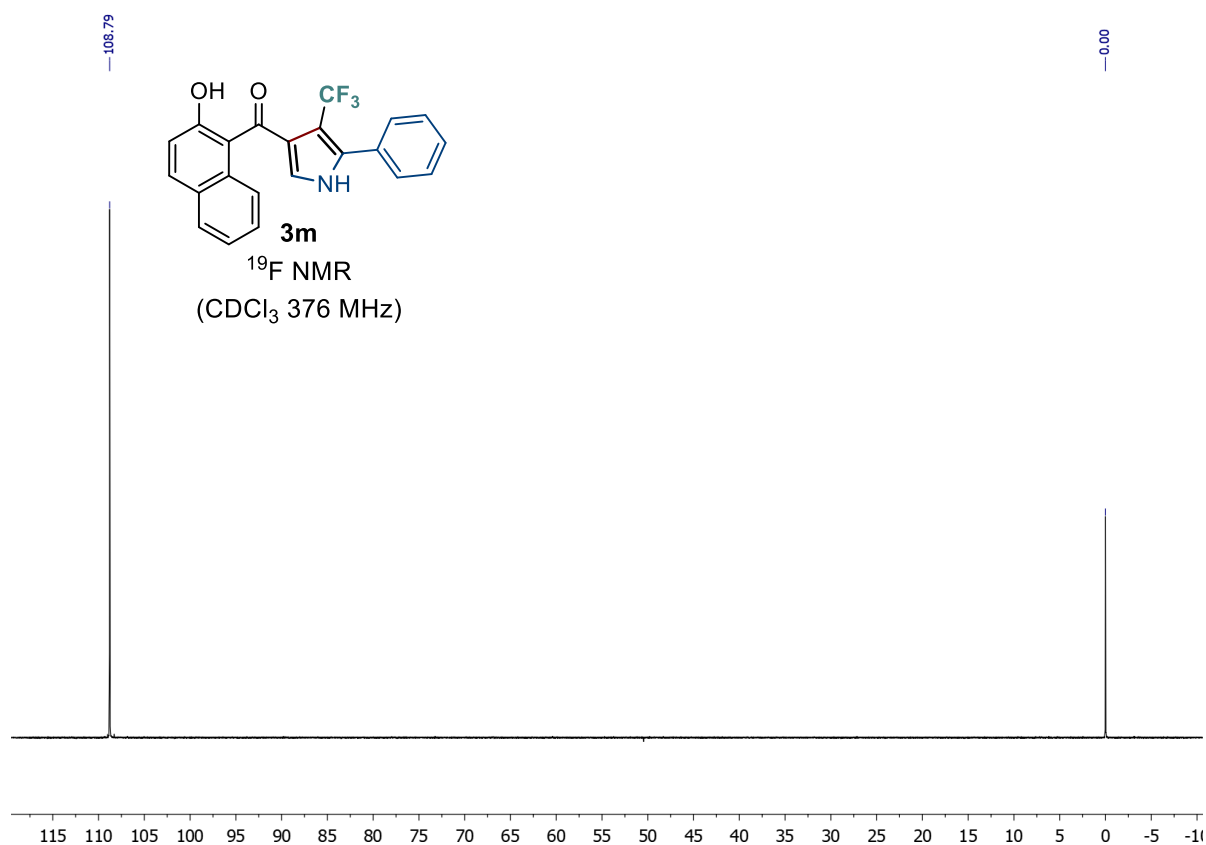


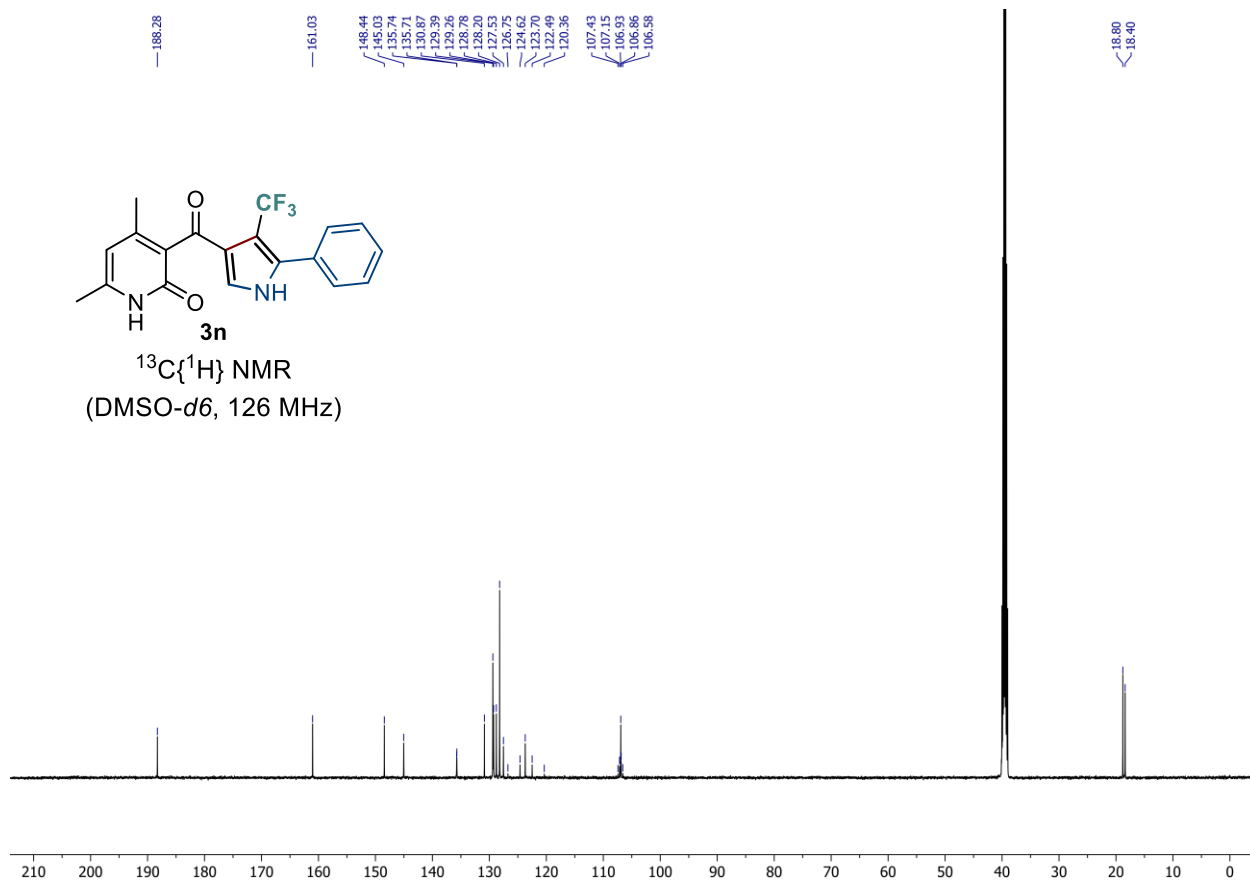
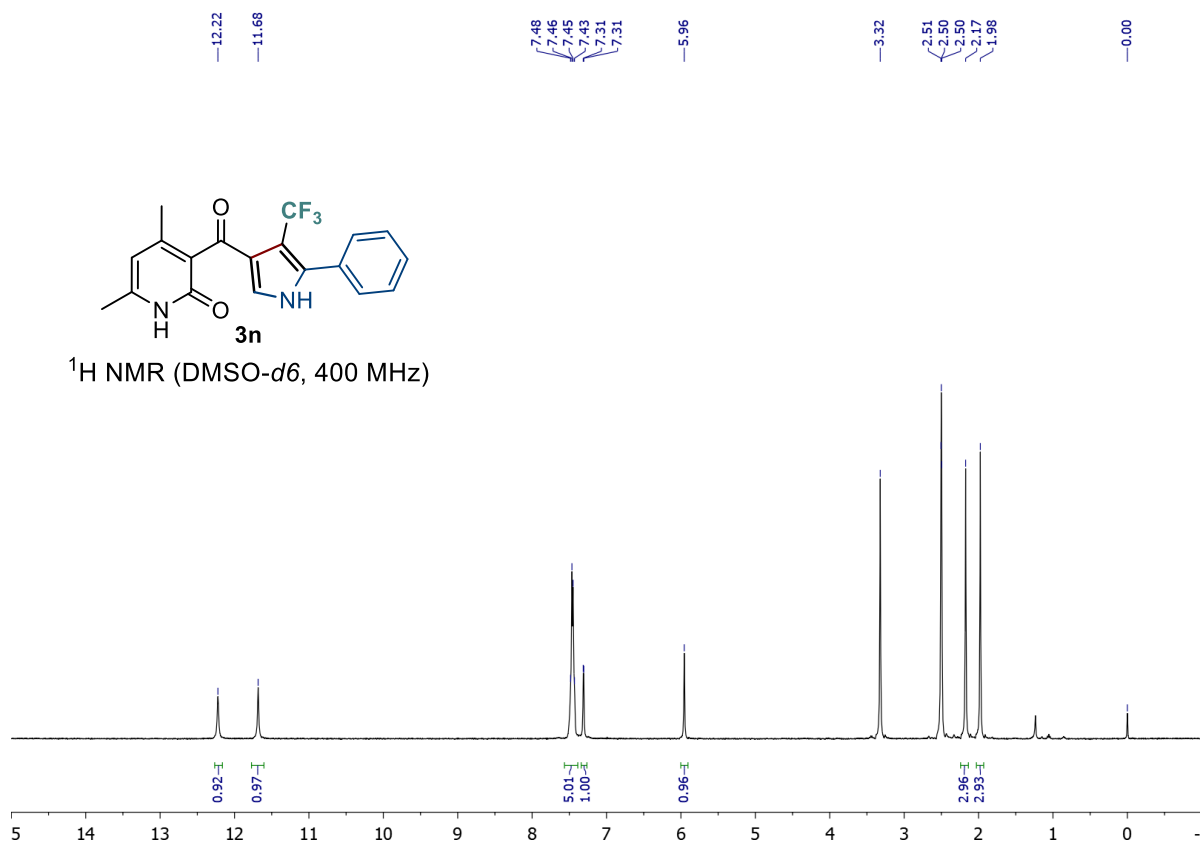


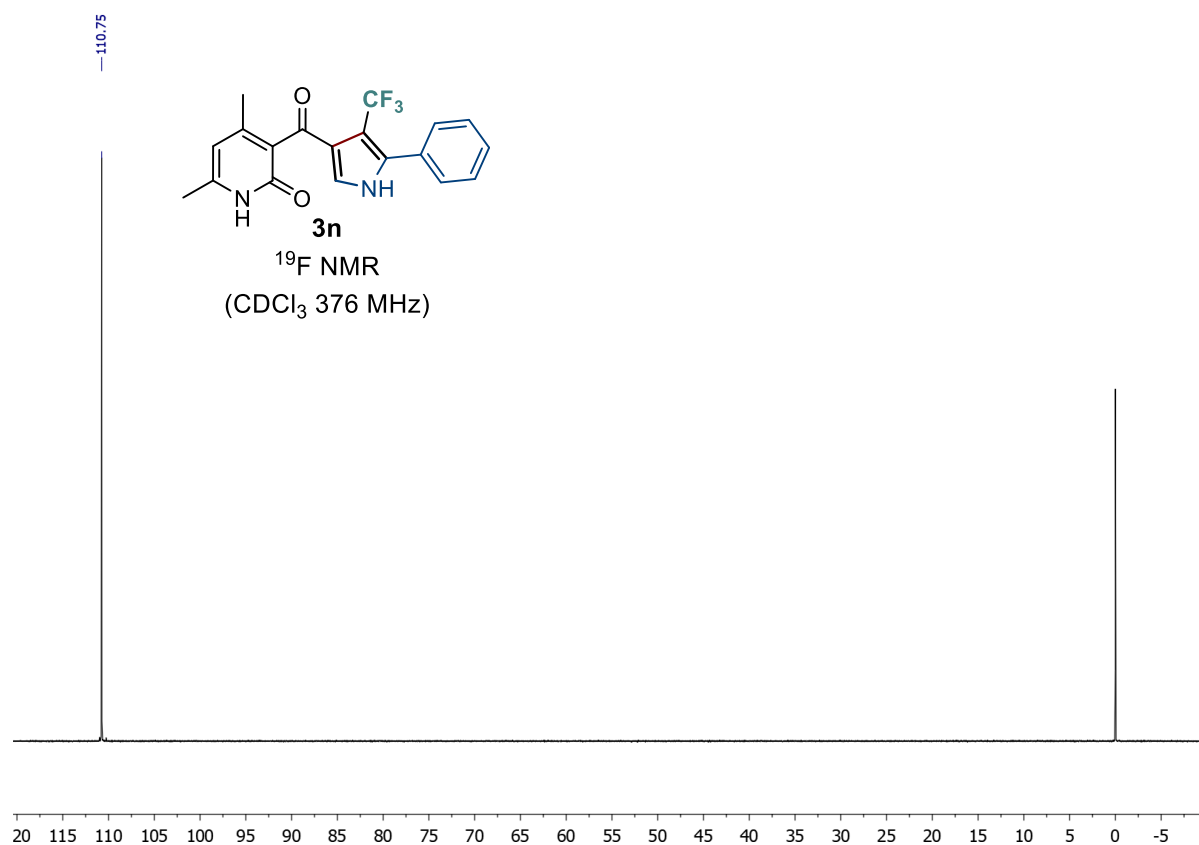


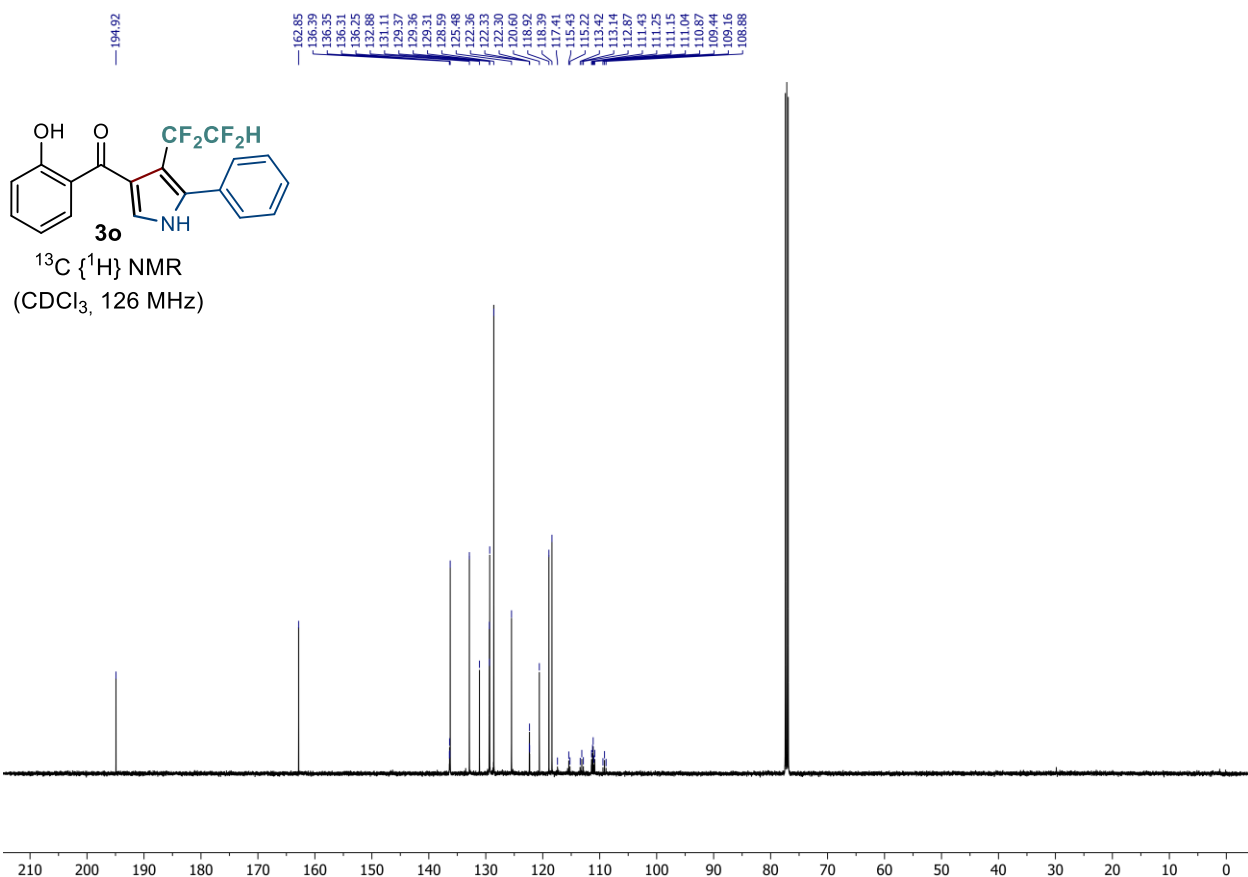


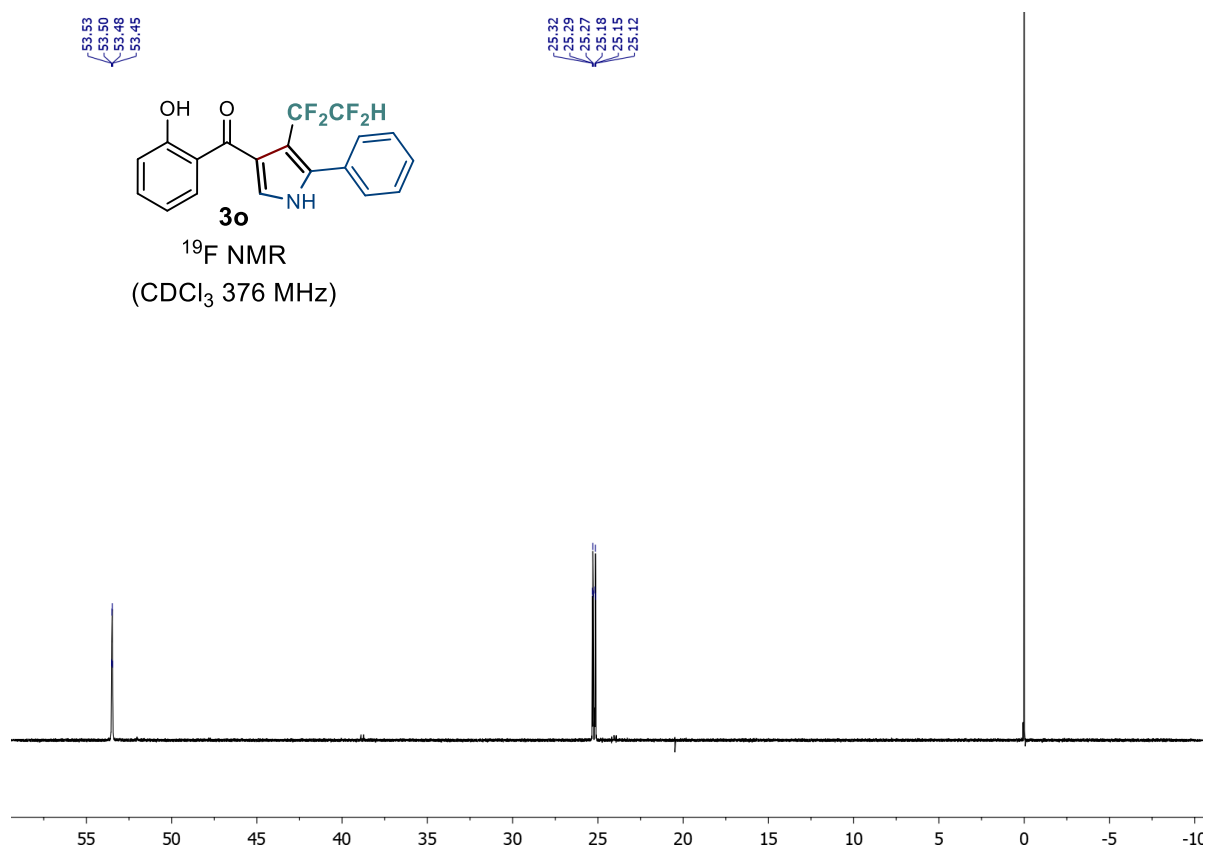


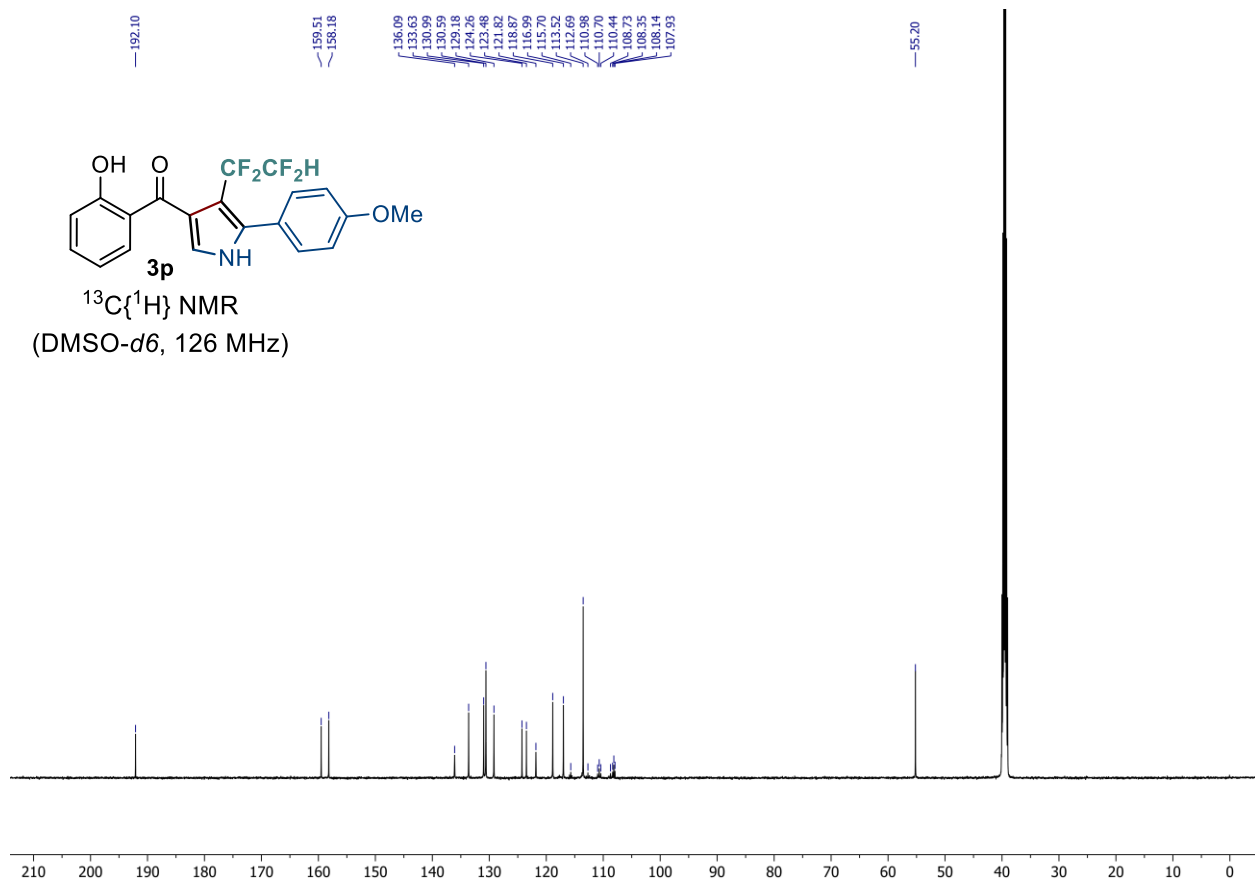
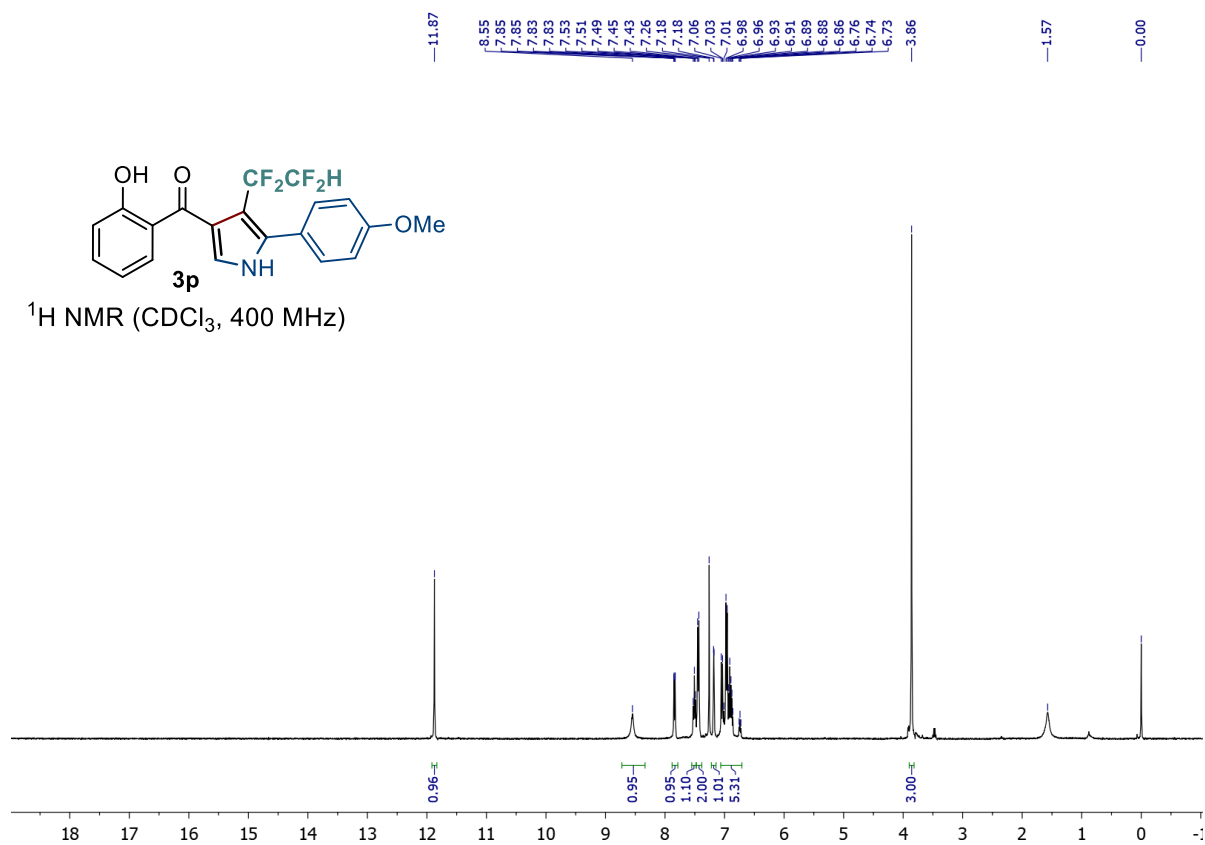


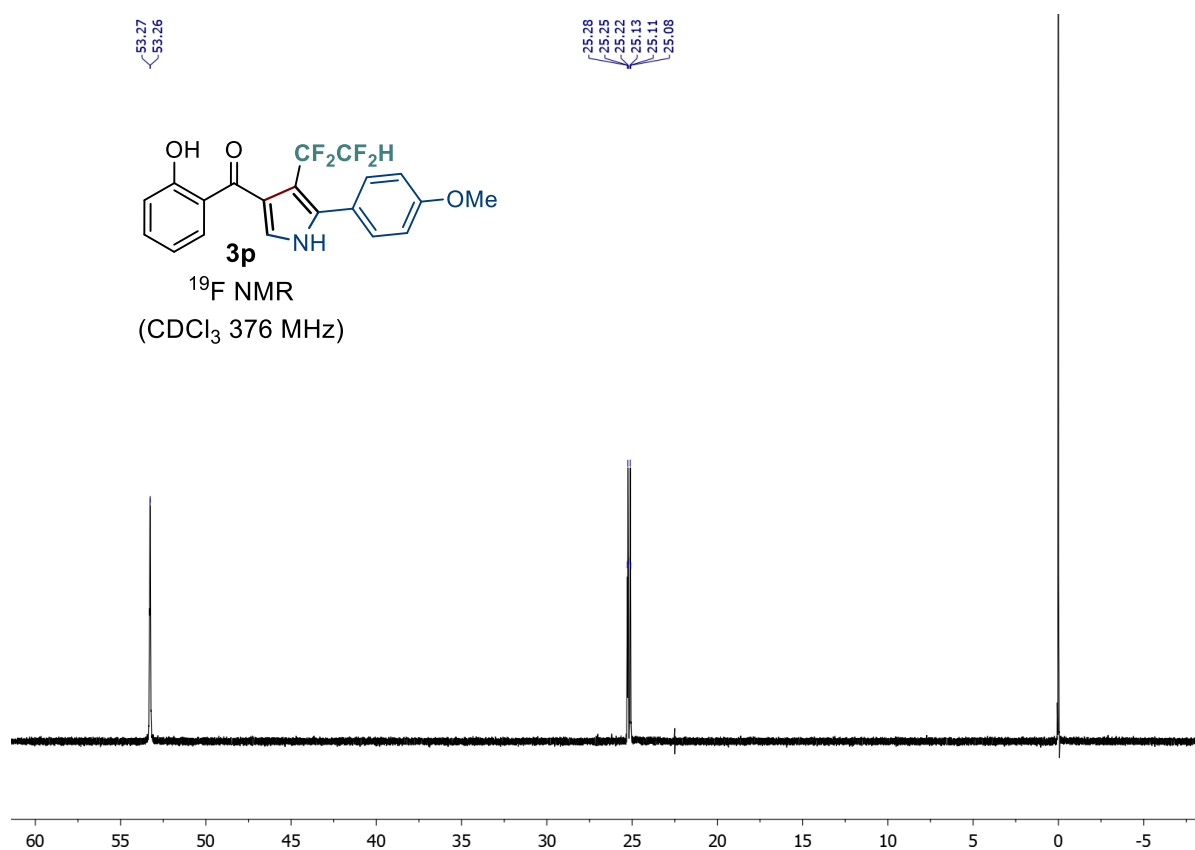


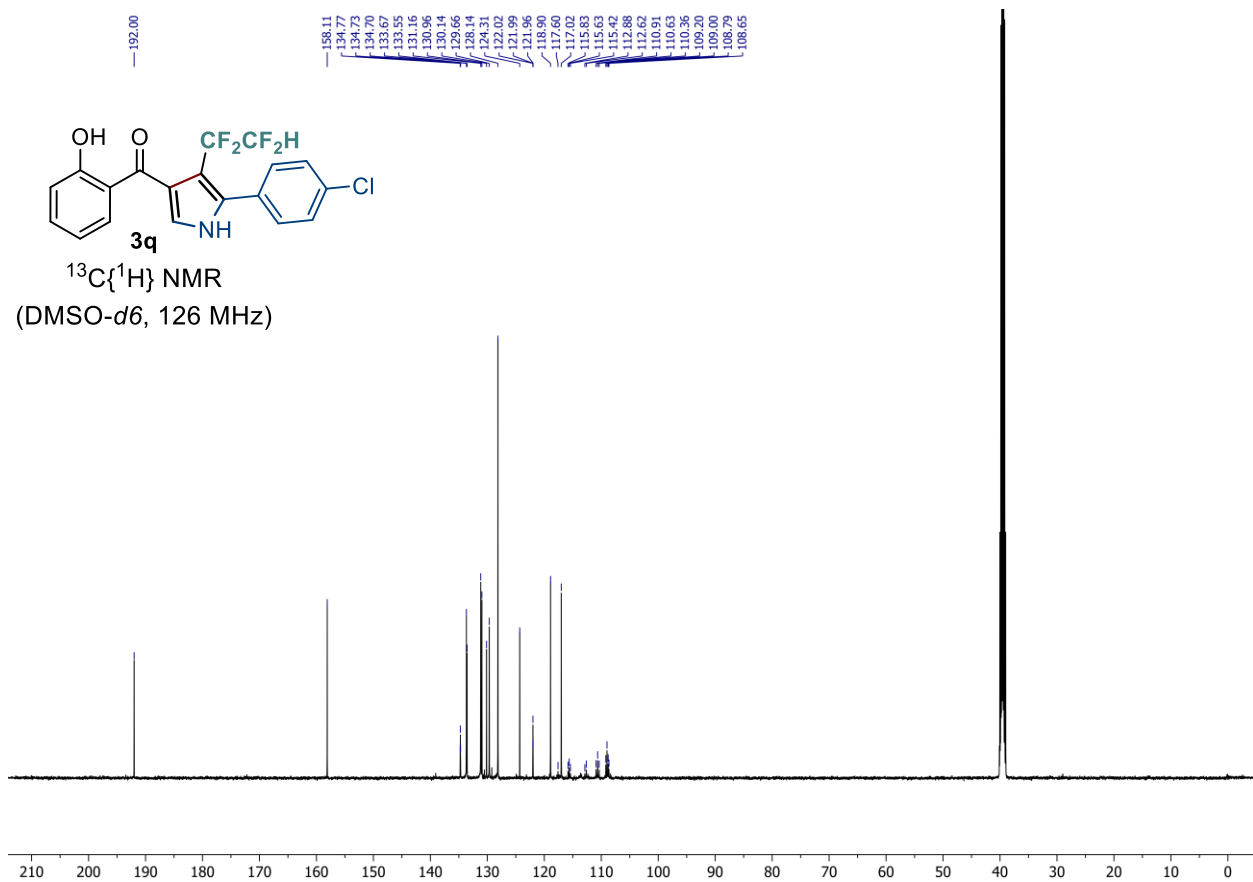
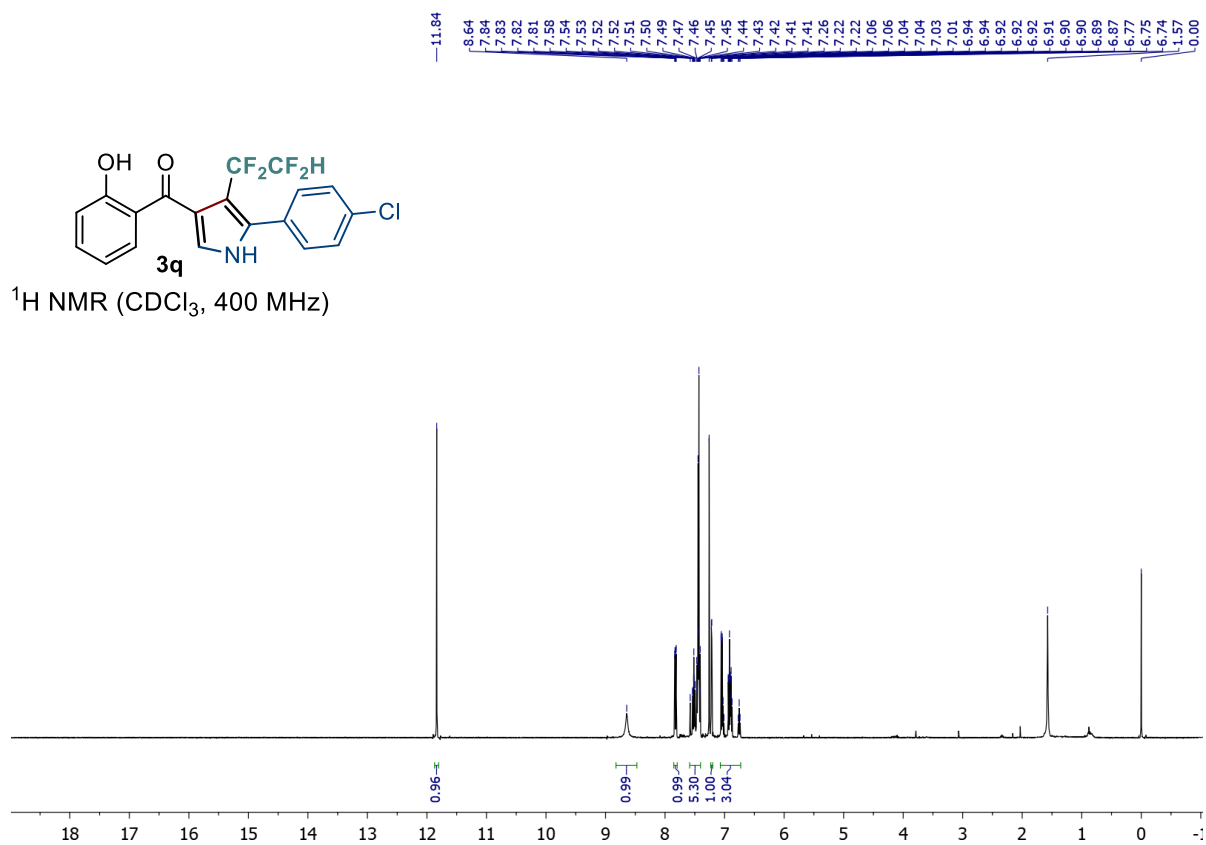


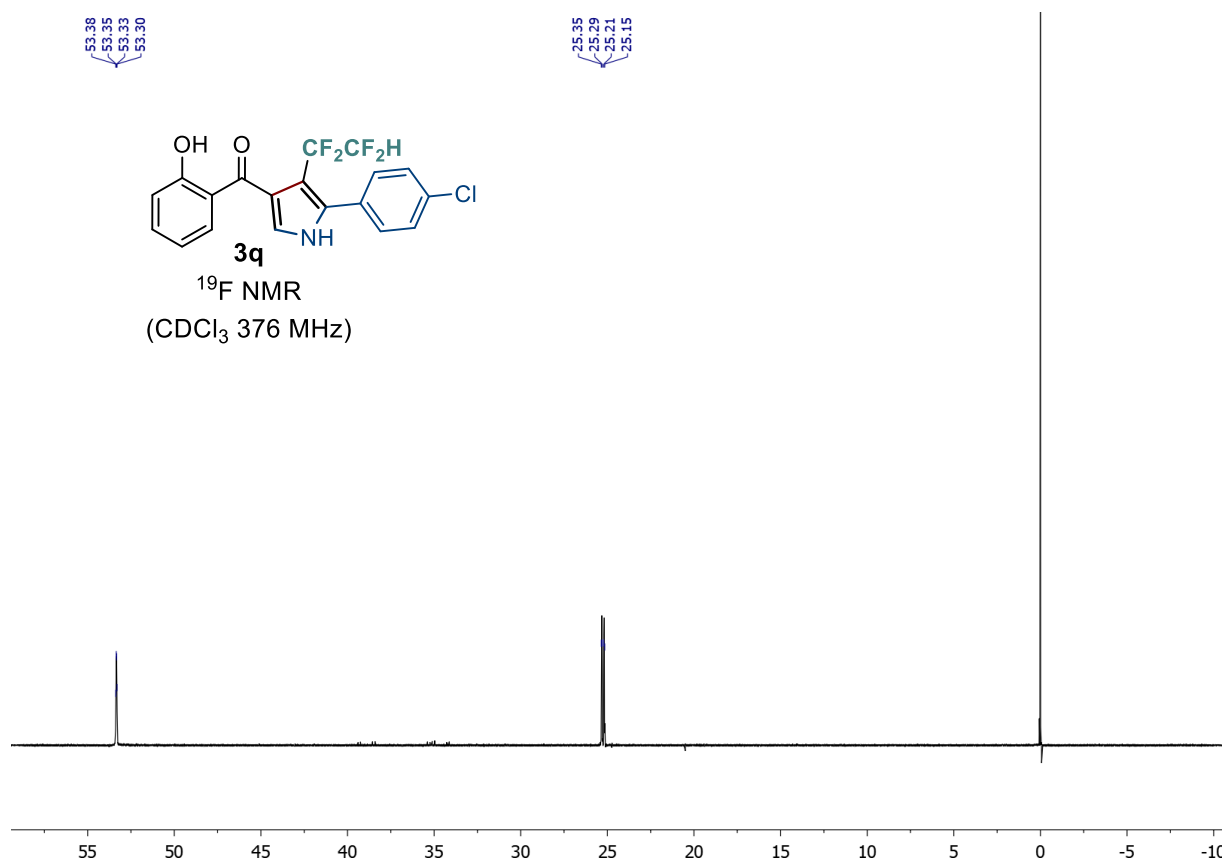


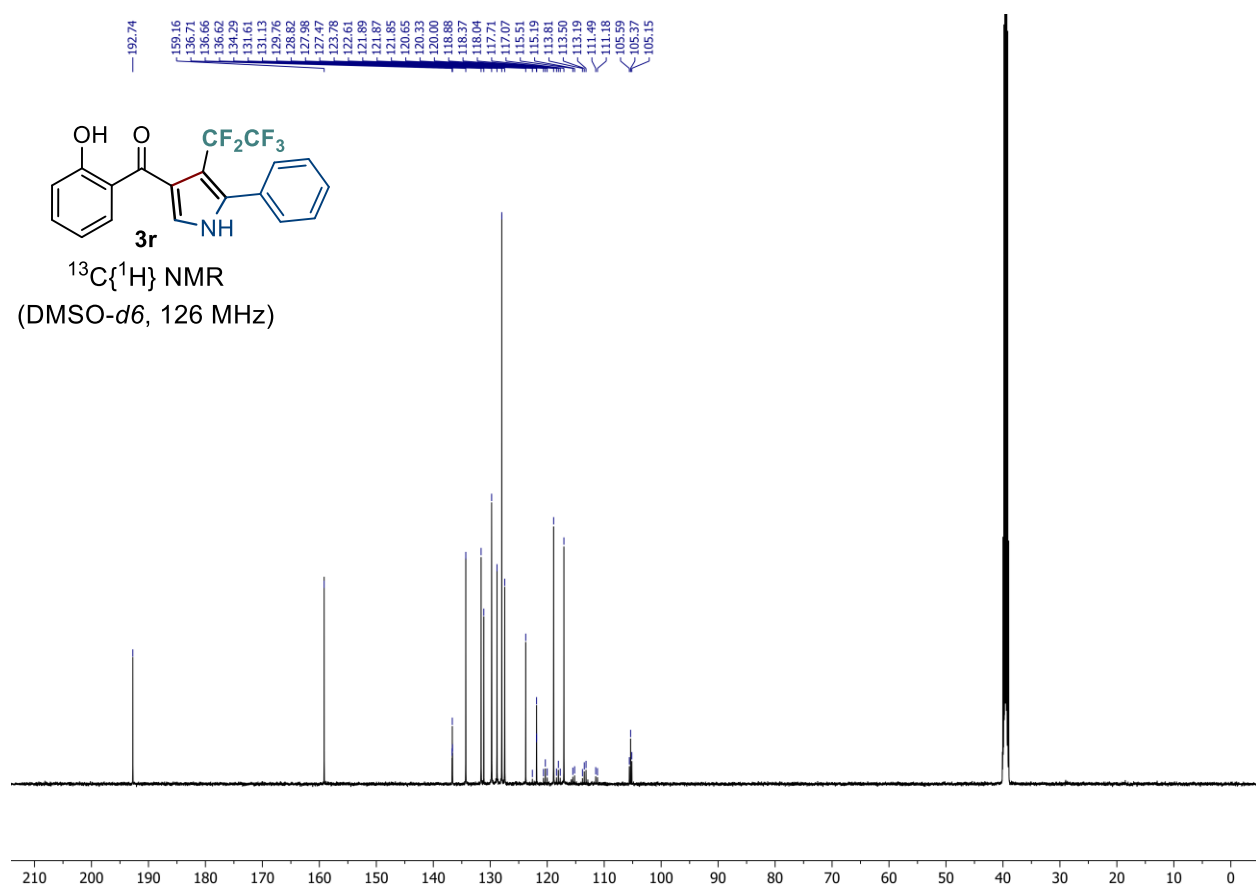
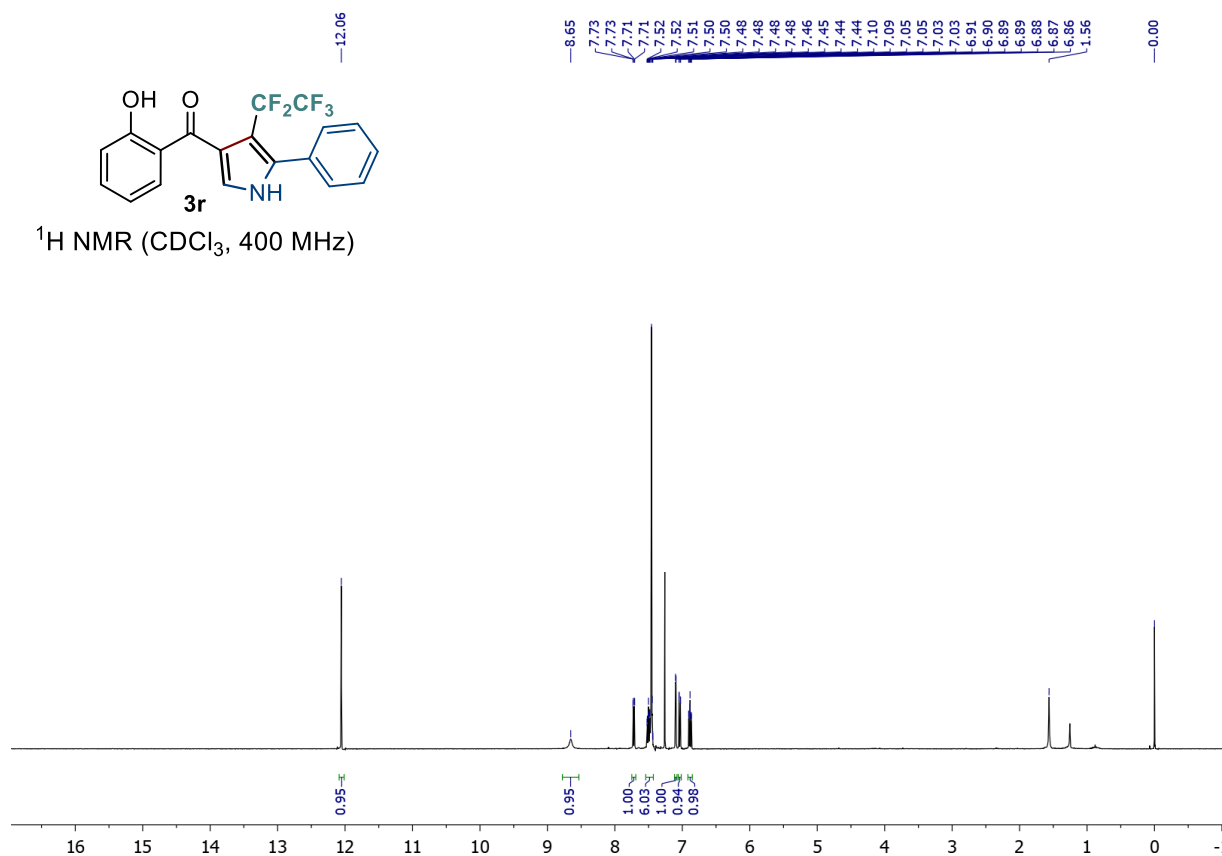


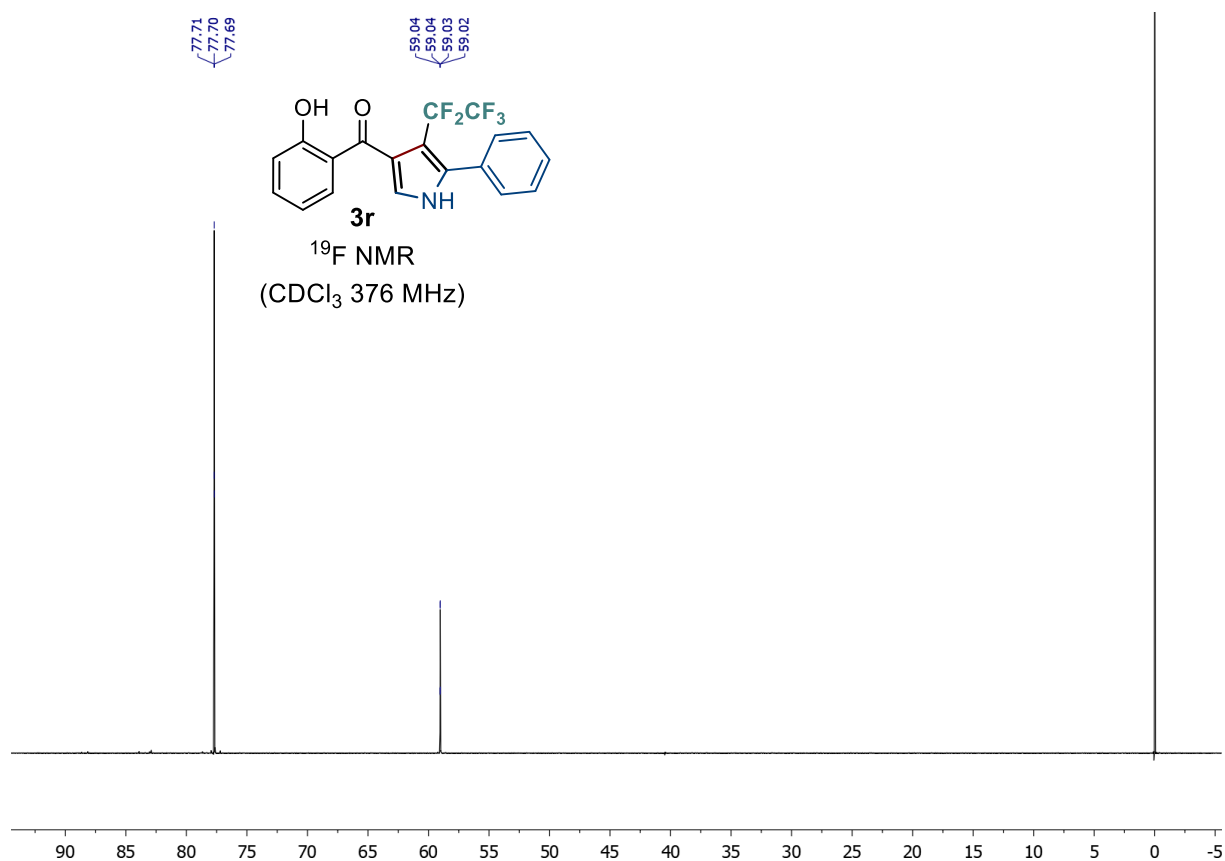


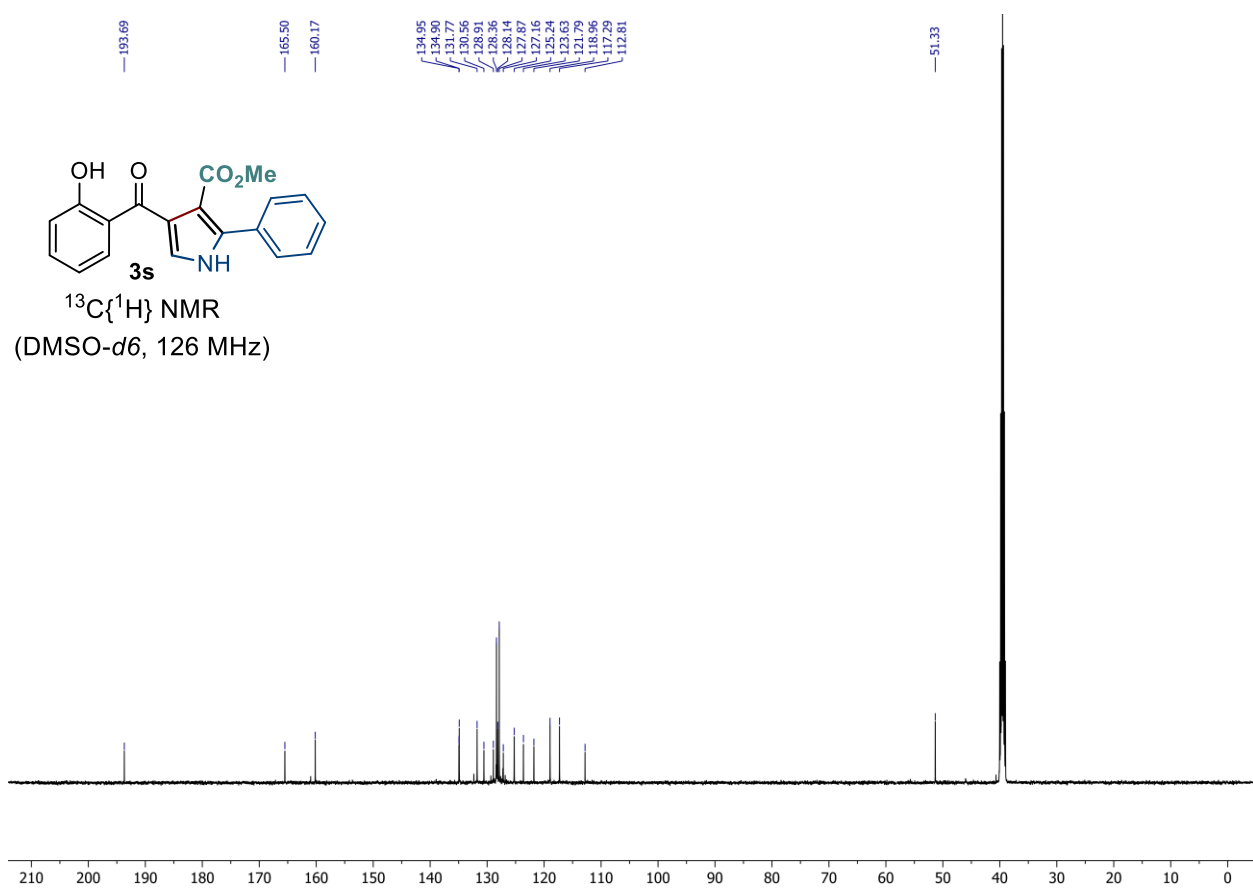
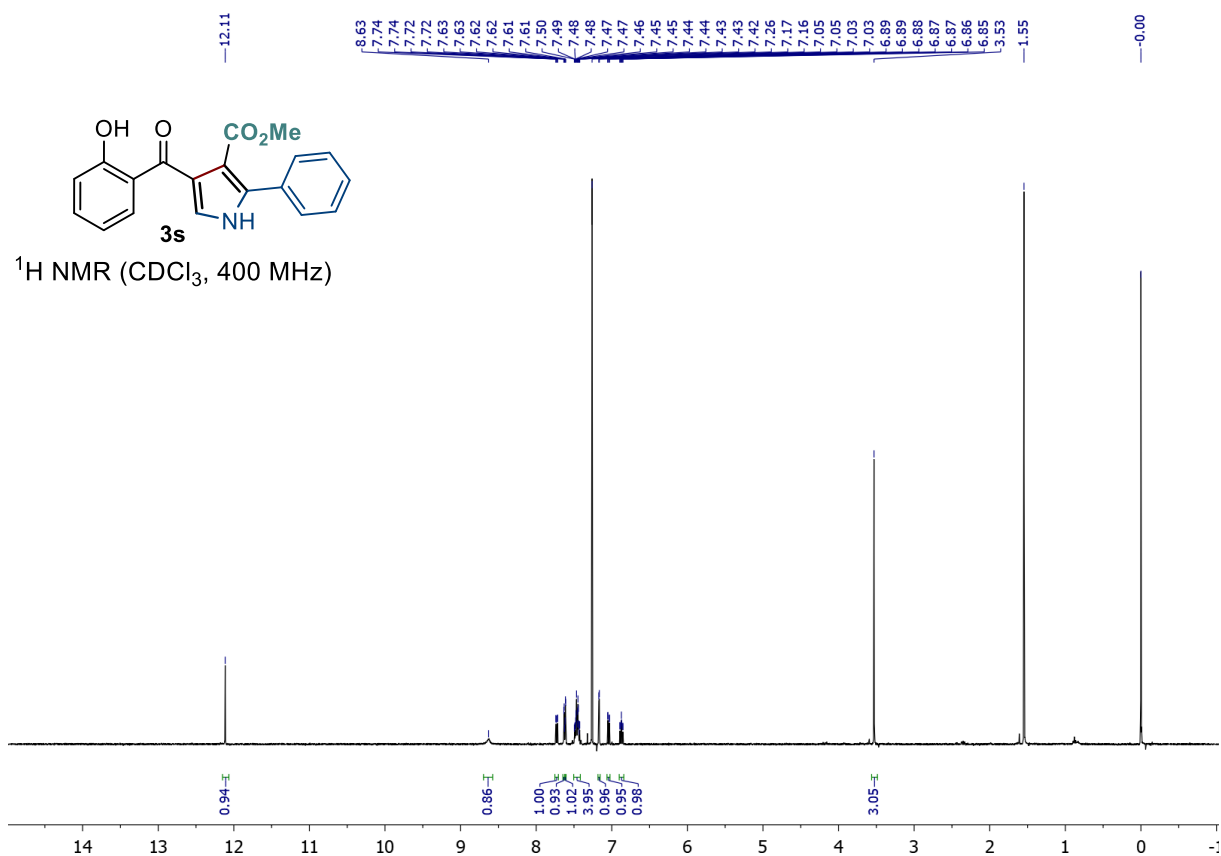


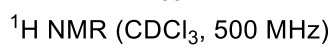




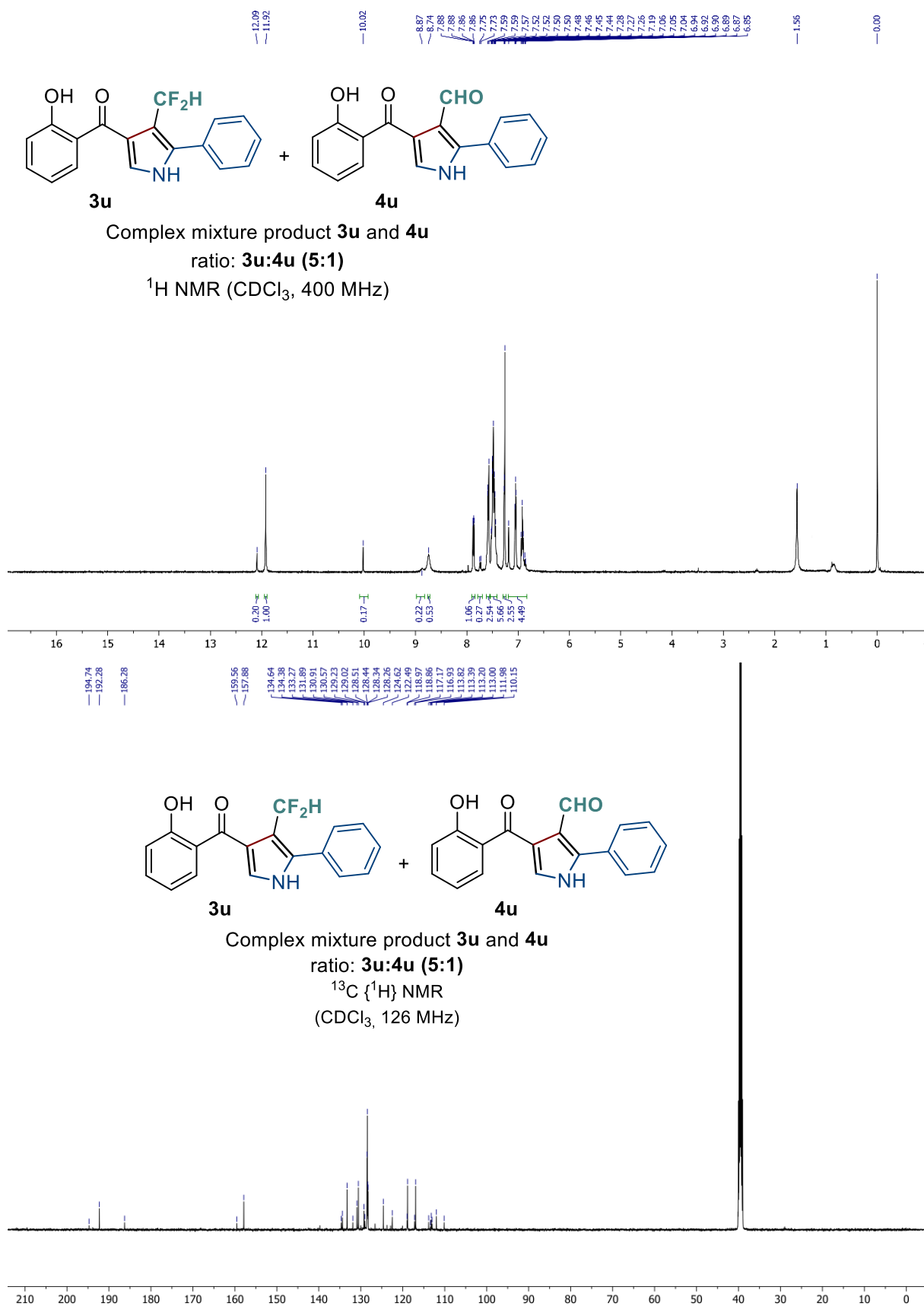




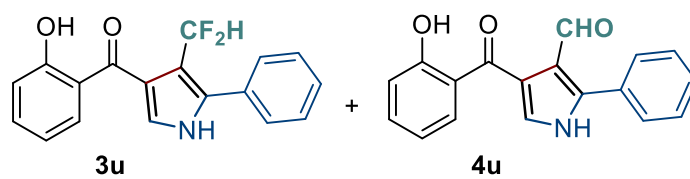




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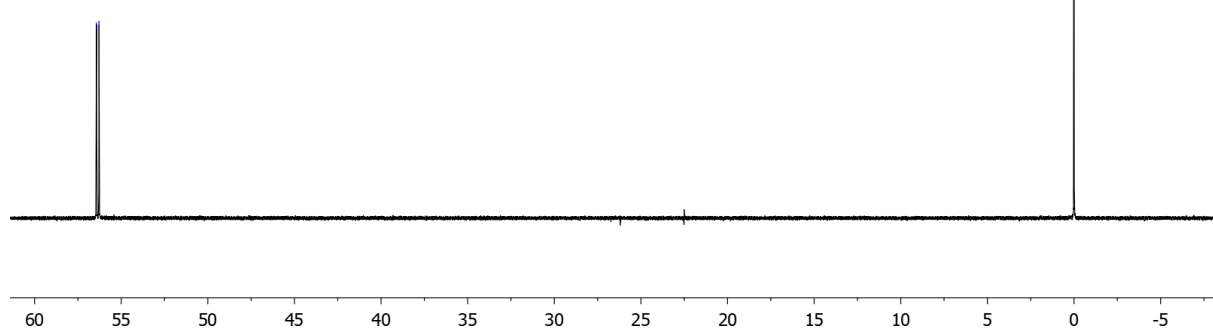
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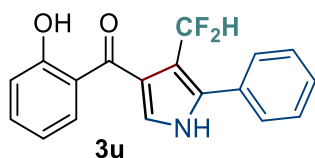


Complex mixture product **3u** and **4u**

ratio: **3u:4u (5:1)**

^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3 , 376 MHz)

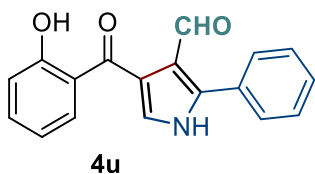
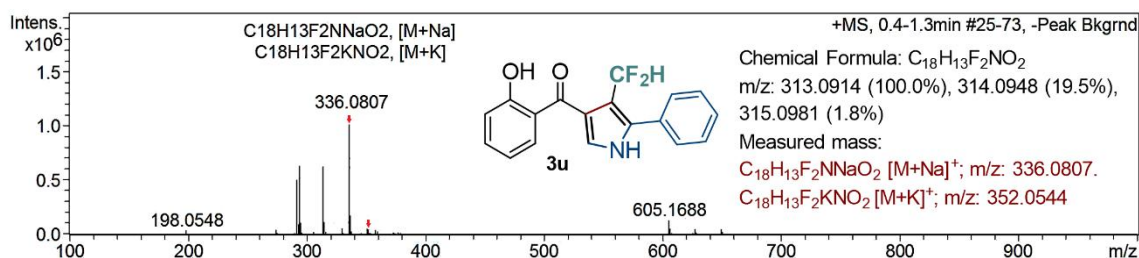




Chemical Formula: $C_{18}H_{13}F_2NO_2$

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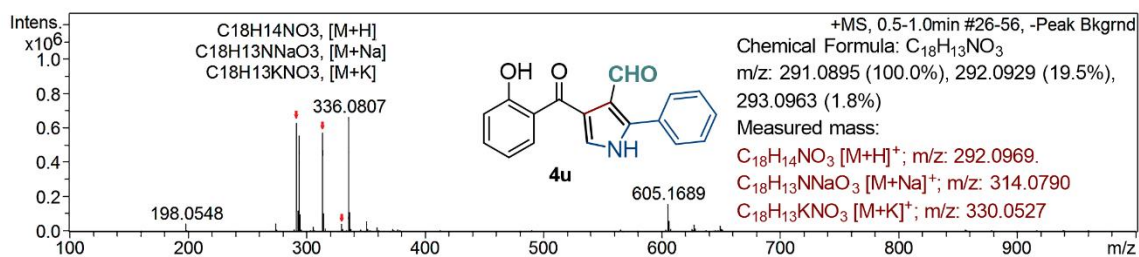
Meas. m/z	#	Ion Formula	m/z	err [ppm]
336.0807	1	$C_{18}H_{13}F_2NNaO_2 [M+Na]^+$	336.0807	-0.1
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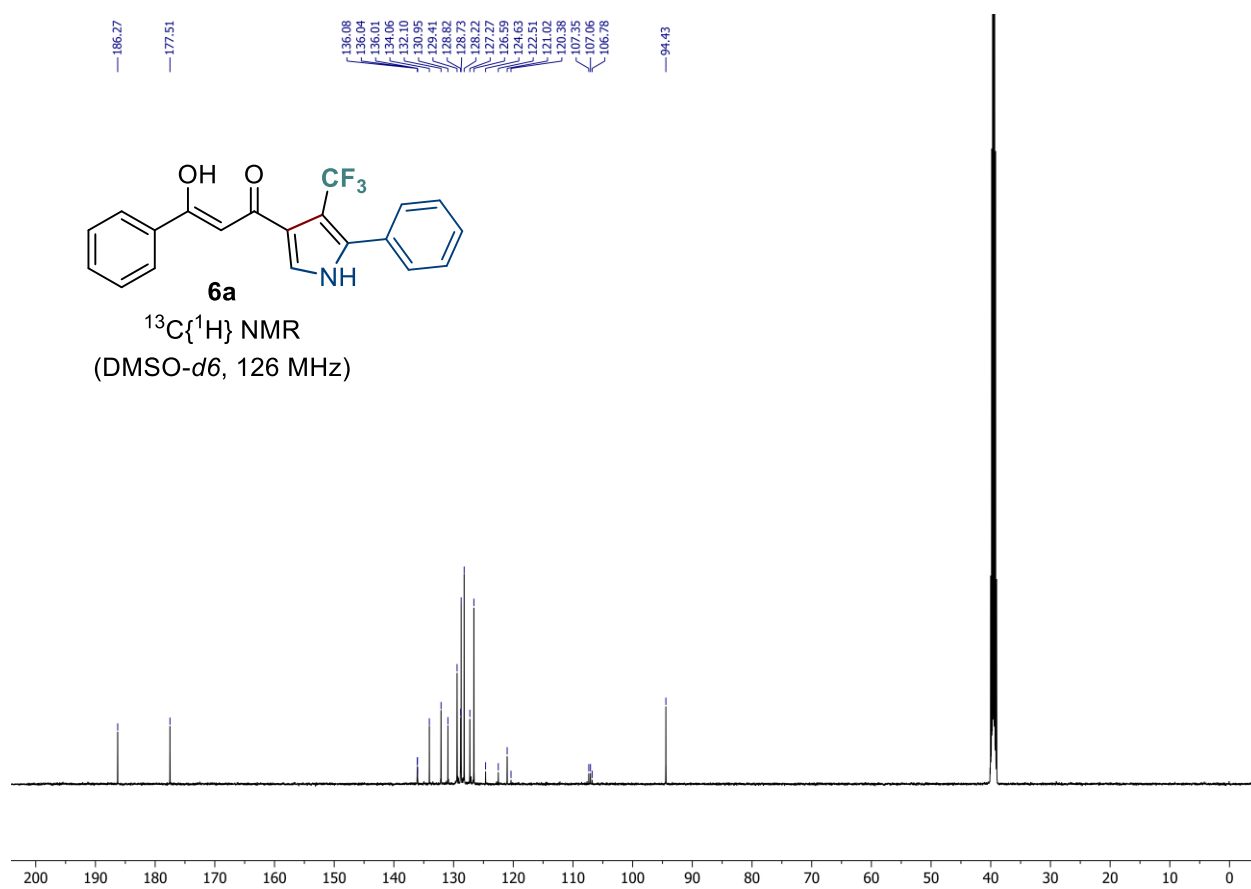
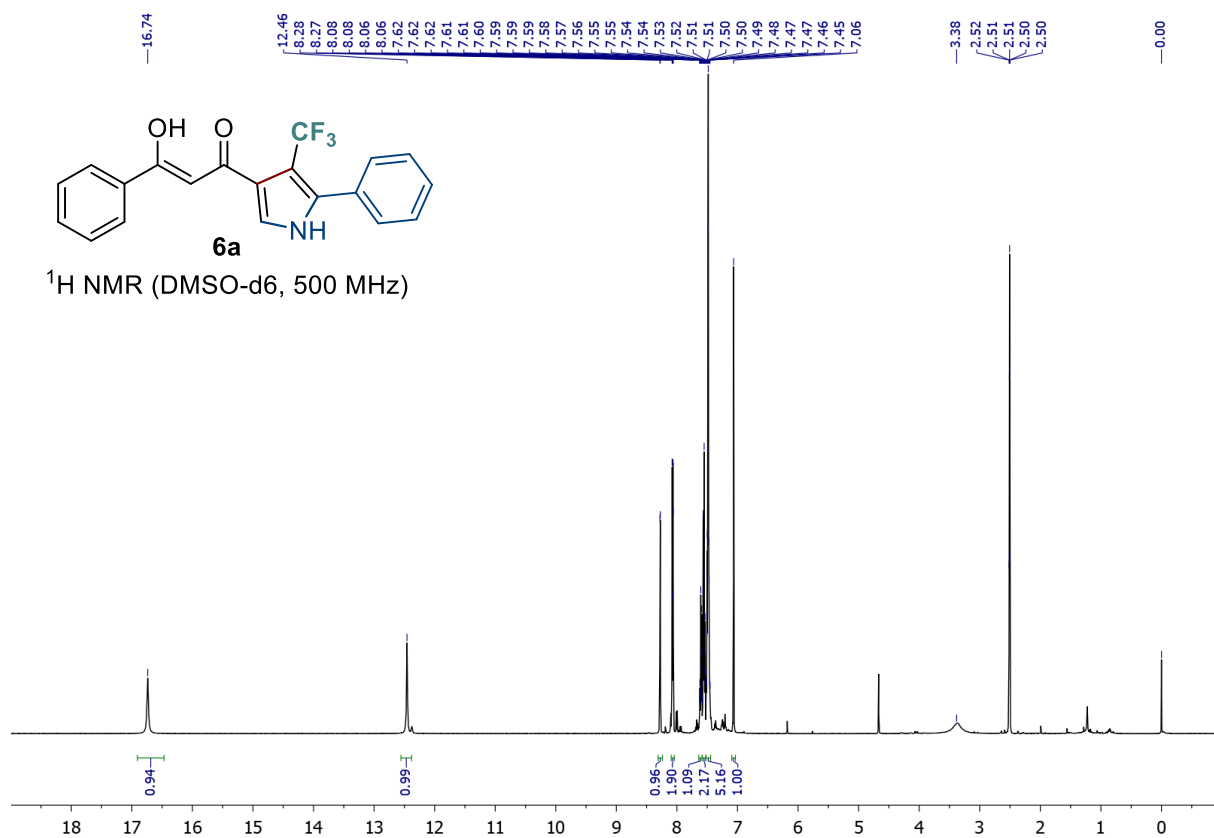
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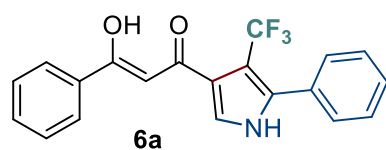
Exact Mass: 291.0895

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314.0790	2	$C_{18}H_{13}NNaO_3 [M+Na]^+$	314.0788	-0.6
330.0527	3	$C_{18}H_{13}KNO_3 [M+K]^+$	330.0527	0.0

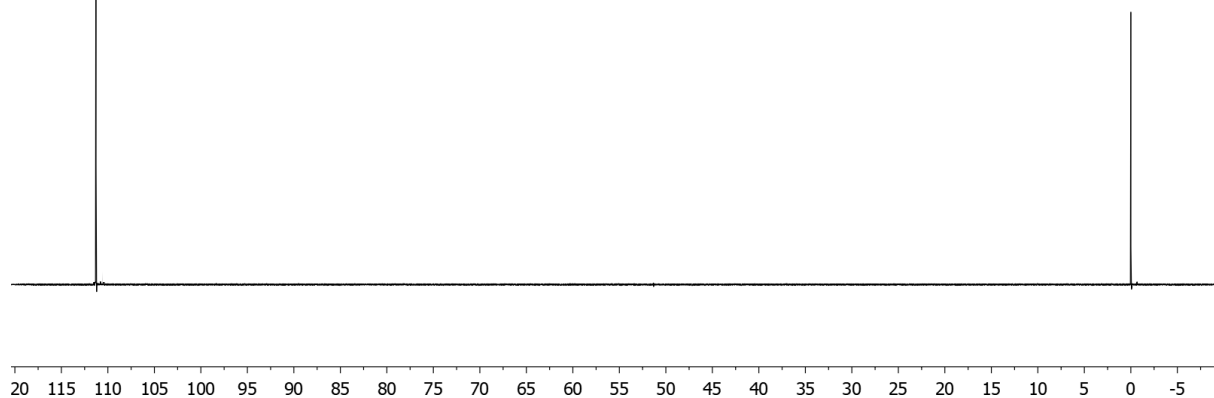


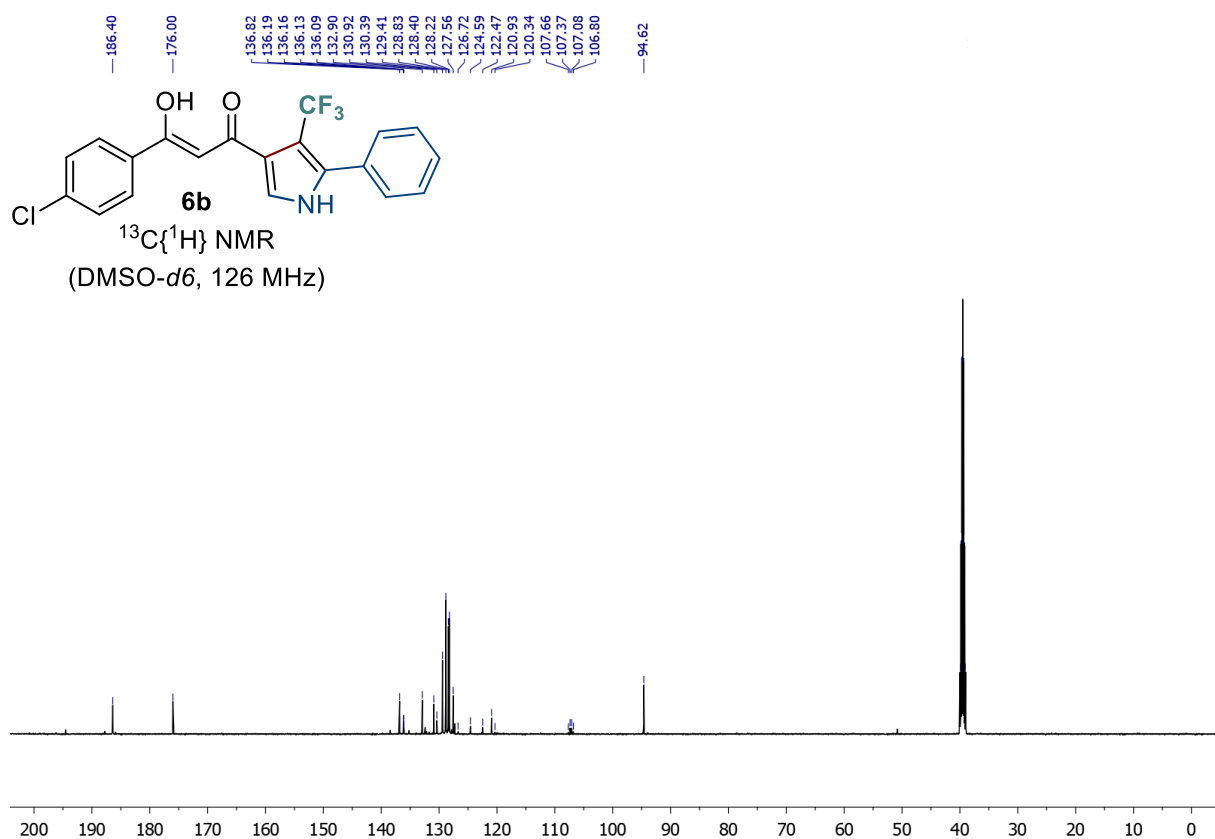
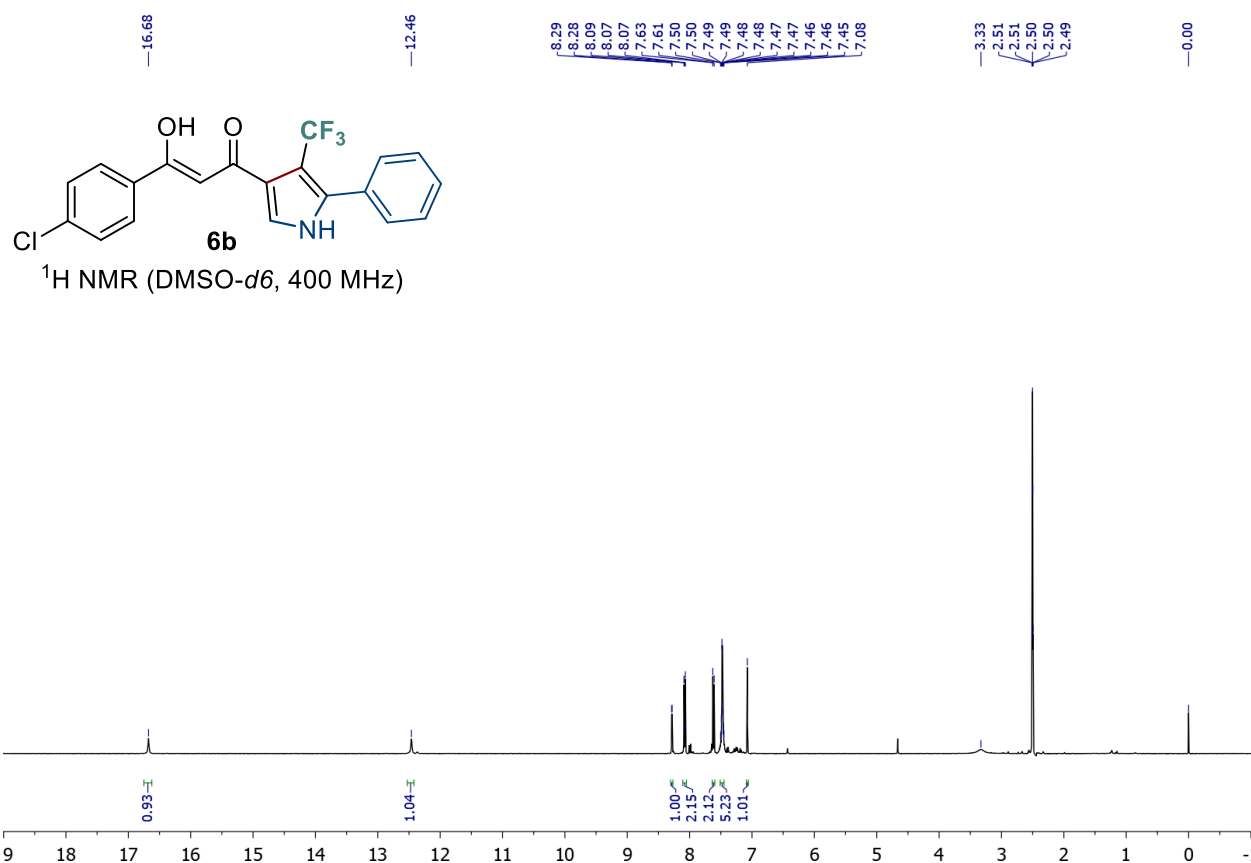
4. Copy of ^1H , ^{13}C and ^{19}F NMR spectrum of pyrroles 6a-d

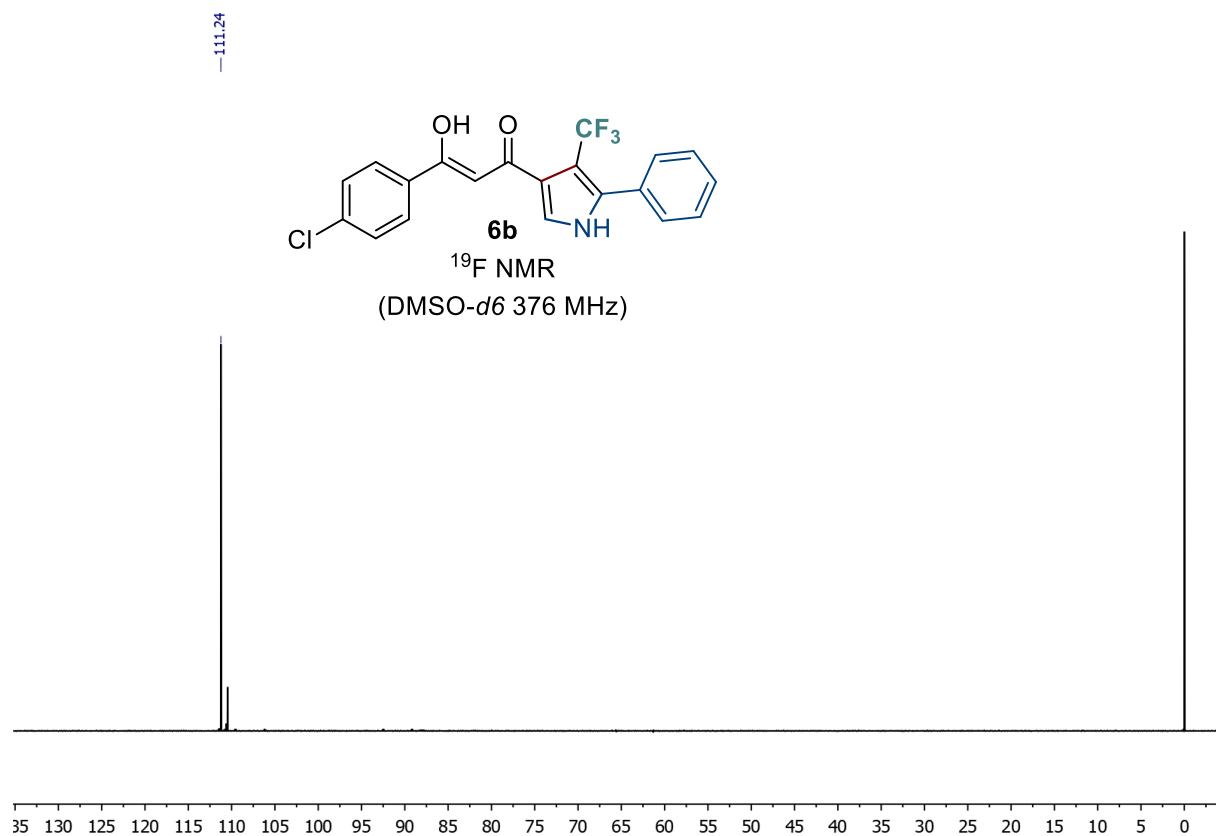


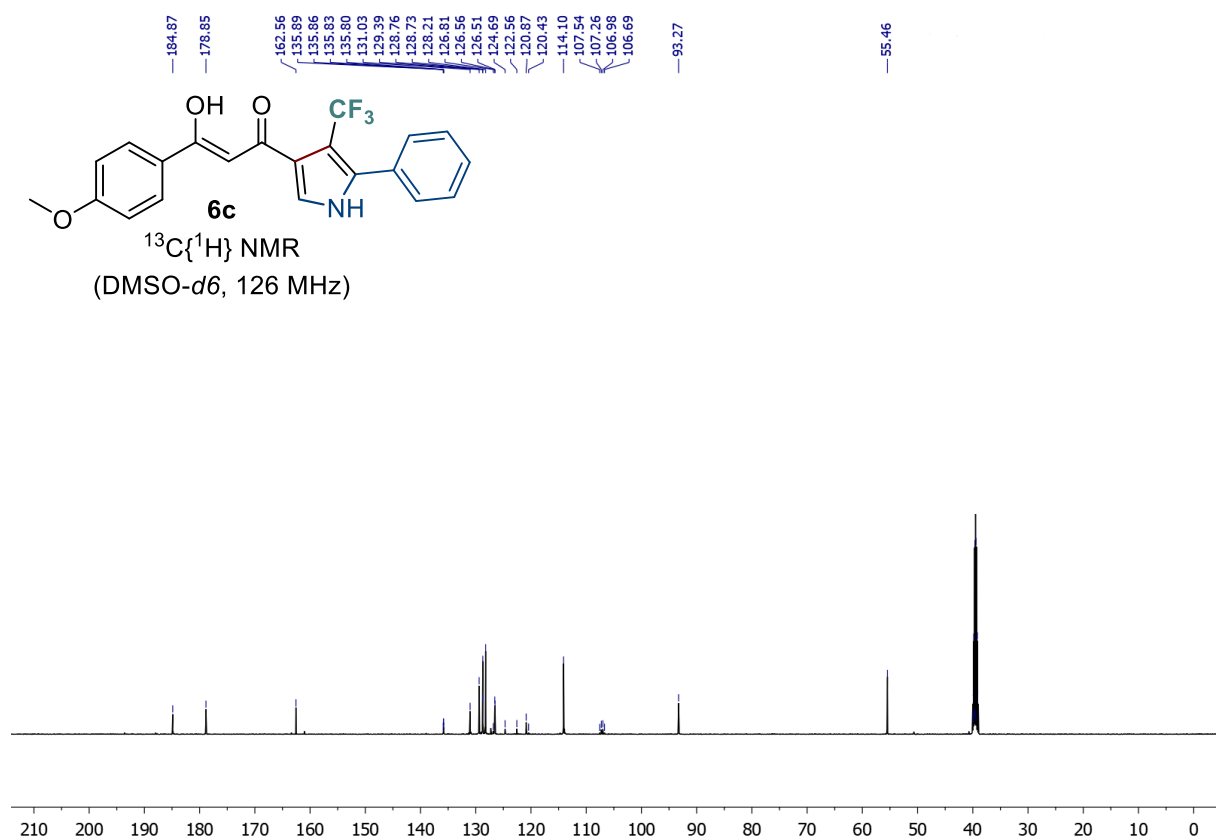
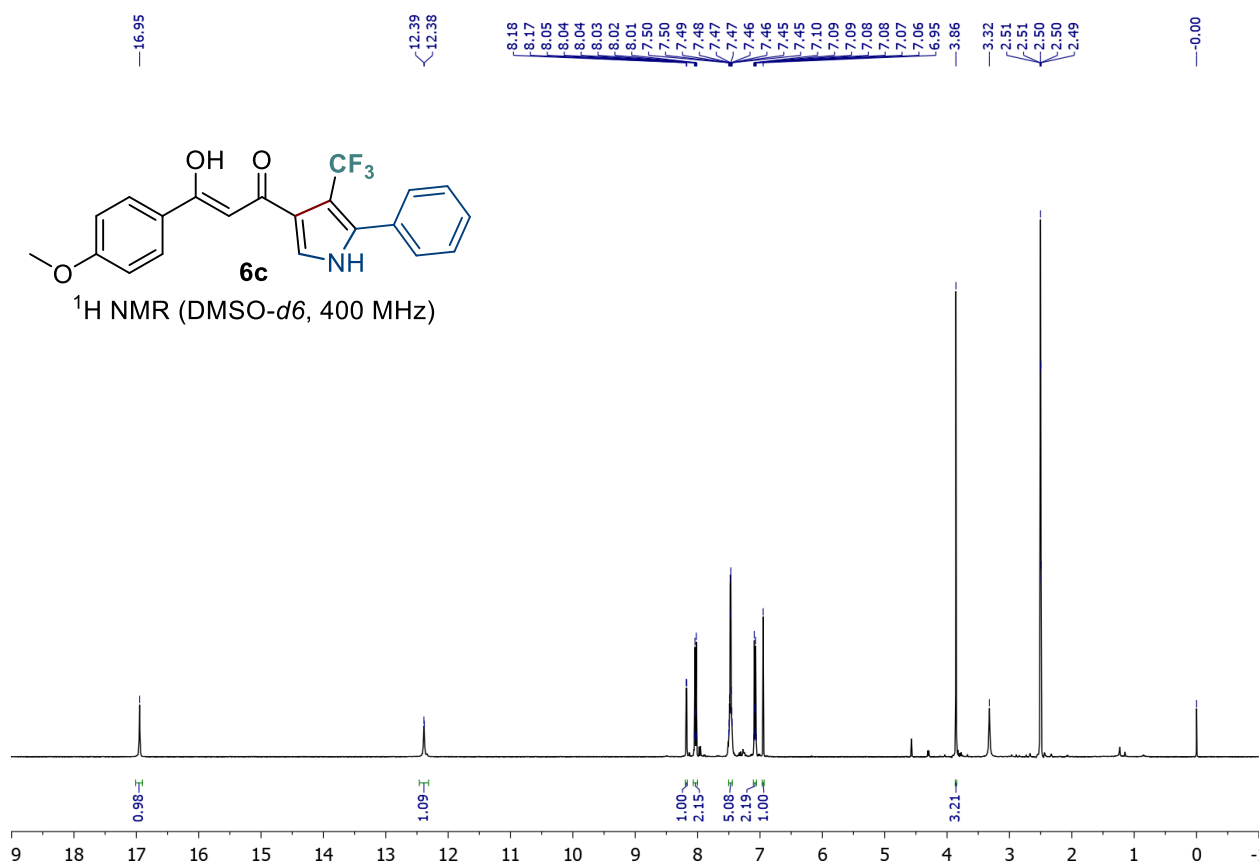


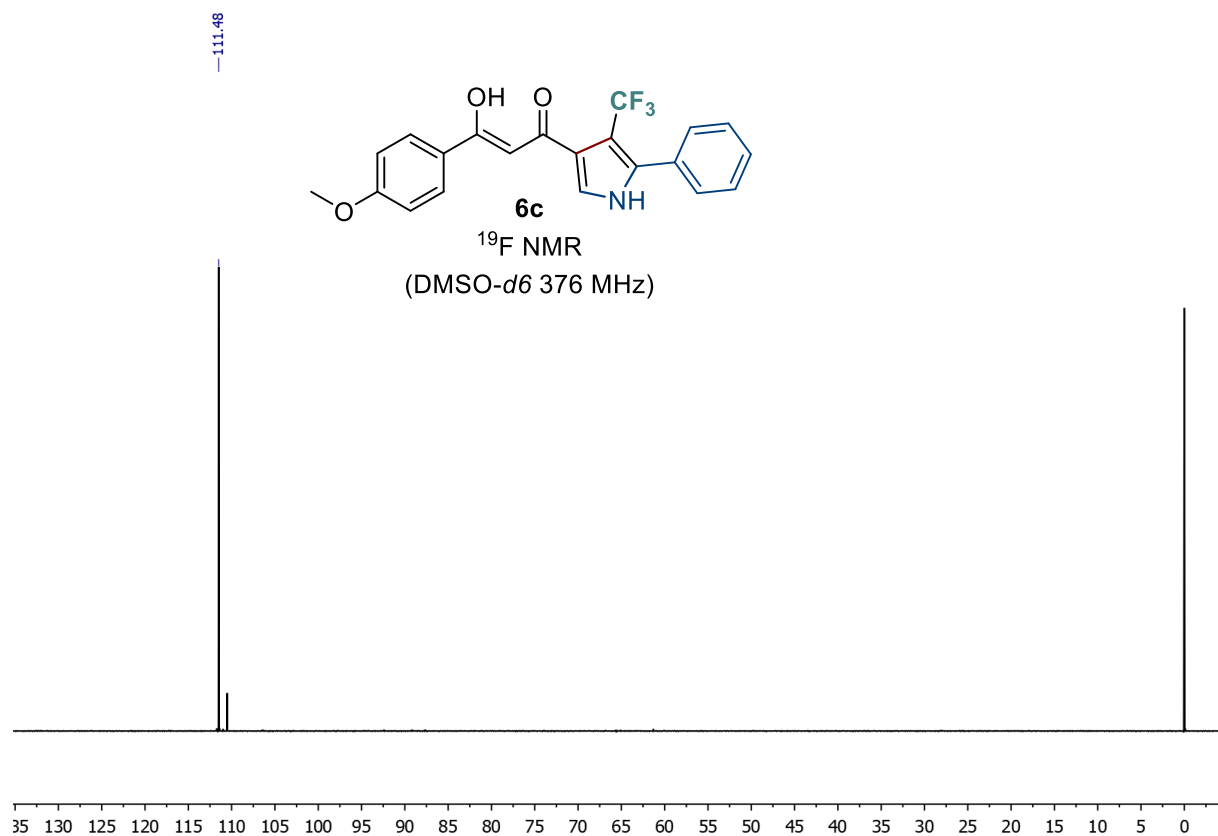
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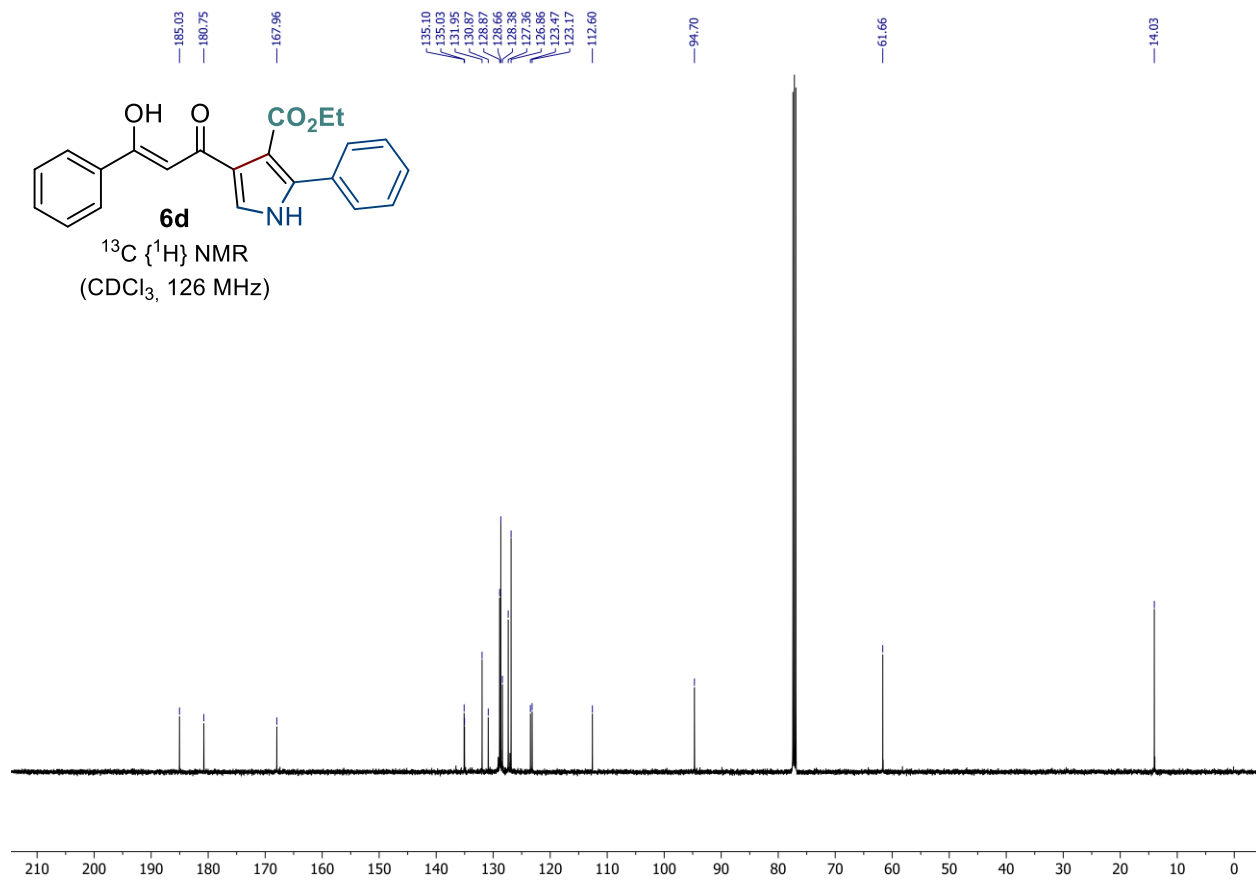
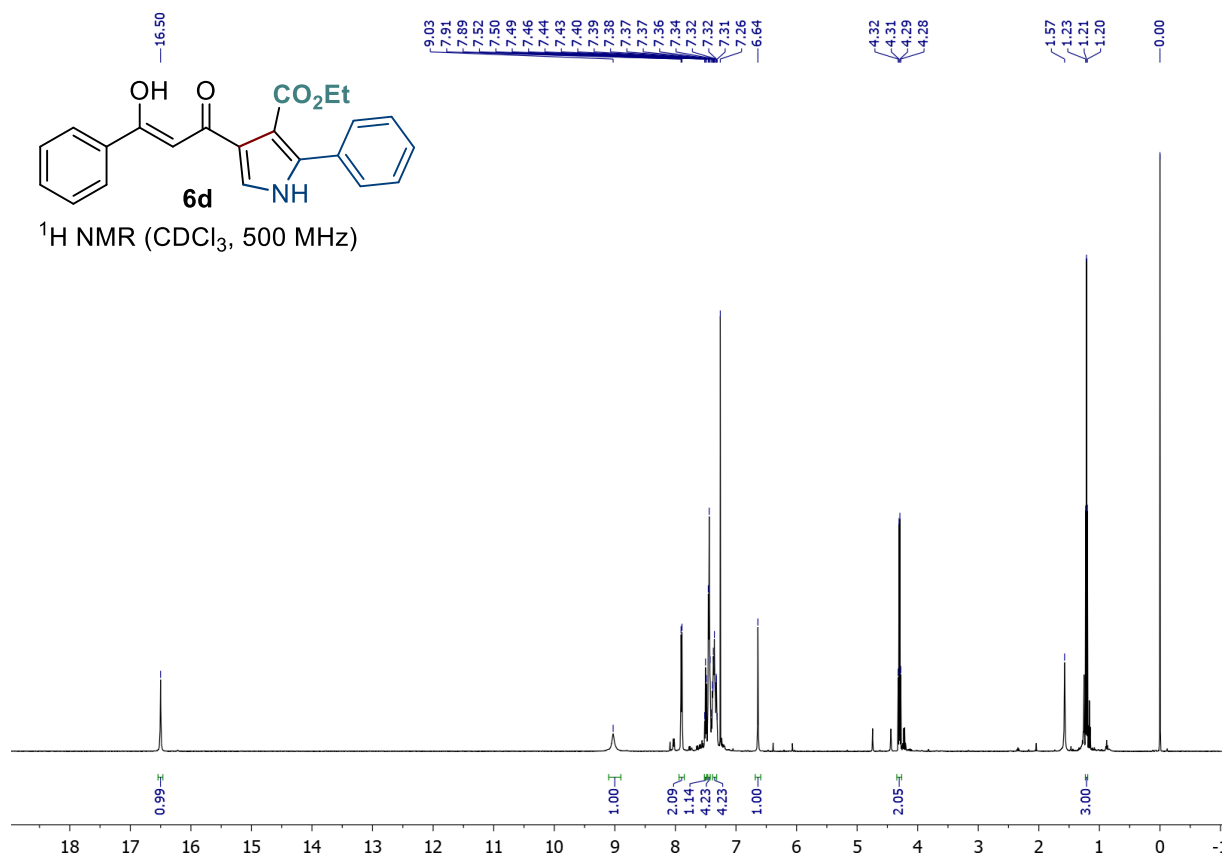




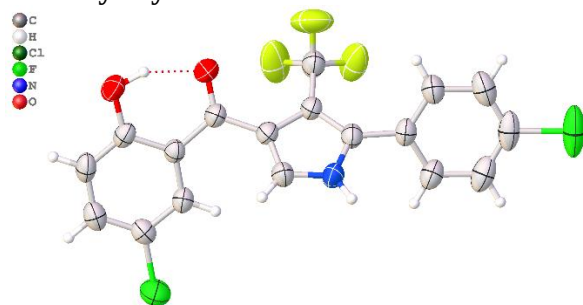








5. X-ray crystal data for 3f



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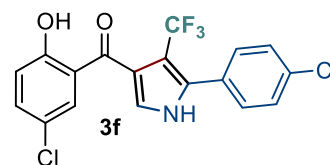


Table S1 Crystal data and structure refinement for 3f (MMX-02-976) / CCDC 2297092.

Identification code	MMX-02-976
Empirical formula	C ₁₈ H ₁₀ Cl ₂ F ₃ NO ₂
Formula weight	400.17
Temperature/K	295(2)
Crystal system	monoclinic
Space group	P2 ₁ /n
a/Å, b/Å, c/Å	7.1089(6), 16.9445(12), 14.1791(12)
α/°, β/°, γ/°	90, 97.778(9), 90
Volume/Å ³	1692.3(2)
Z	4
ρ _{calc} /cm ³	1.571
μ/mm ⁻¹	0.427
F(000)	808.0
Crystal size/mm ³	0.48 × 0.39 × 0.31
Radiation	MoKα (λ = 0.71073)
2θ range for data collection/°	7.226 to 60.95
Index ranges	-9 ≤ h ≤ 9, -24 ≤ k ≤ 21, -19 ≤ l ≤ 18
Reflections collected	13230
Independent reflections	4663 [R _{int} = 0.0540, R _{sigma} = 0.0678]
Data/restraints/parameters	4663/0/243
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.030
Final R indexes [I > 2σ (I)]	R ₁ = 0.0659, wR ₂ = 0.1581
Final R indexes [all data]	R ₁ = 0.1366, wR ₂ = 0.2186
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å ⁻³	0.33/-0.58

Crystal Data for C₁₈H₁₀Cl₂F₃NO₂ (*M* = 400.17 g/mol): monoclinic, space group P2₁/n (no. 14), *a* = 7.1089(6) Å, *b* = 16.9445(12) Å, *c* = 14.1791(12) Å, β = 97.778(9)°, *V* = 1692.3(2) Å³, *Z* = 4, *T* = 295(2) K, μ(MoKα) = 0.427 mm⁻¹, *D*_{calc} = 1.571 g/cm³, 13230 reflections measured (7.226° ≤ 2θ ≤ 60.95°), 4663 unique (*R*_{int} = 0.0540, *R*_{sigma} = 0.0678) which were used in all calculations. The final *R*₁ was 0.0659 (*I* > 2σ(*I*)) and *wR*₂ was 0.2186 (all data).

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