

**Concise approach to mono- and disubstituted luotonin A analogs
and their cytotoxicity test**

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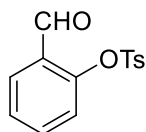
General Information

All reactions were run in oven-dried glassware under an argon atmosphere. All reactions were monitored by Thin-layer chromatography (TLC) on Merck silica gel 60 F₂₅₄ plates, visualized by UV fluorescence quenching (254 nm), *p*-anisaldehyde (in EtOH), phosphomolybdic acid (in EtOH), ammonium molybdate (in 10% H₂SO₄), potassium permanganate (in water containing NaOH and K₂CO₃), or Hanessian's staining solution. Ambient temperature refers to 18–26 °C. Flash column chromatography (EtOAc/Hexanes or EtOAc/CH₂Cl₂ or EtOAc/CHCl₃) was performed on Cica 60 (spherical/63–210 μm) silica gel. NMR spectra were measured on Varian 400 MR or JEOL AL-400 spectrometers at 400 MHz for ¹H spectra and 100 MHz for ¹³C spectra, or a JEOL JX-500 spectrometer at 500 MHz for ¹H spectra, or JEOL JNM-ECA600 or JNM-ECZ600 spectrometers at 600 MHz for ¹H spectra and 150 MHz for ¹³C spectra. ¹H spectra were calibrated from internal standard TMS (δ 0.0) or solvent resonance (CHCl₃: 7.26, (CD₃)₂SO: 2.49). ¹³C spectra were calibrated from solvent resonance (CHCl₃: 77.0, (CD₃)₂SO: 39.5). NMR data are reported as: chemical shift (parts per million, ppm), multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet, br = broad signal), coupling constant (Hz), and integration. Infrared spectra were recorded on a SHIMADZU FT-IR 8300 spectrophotometer and reported in frequency of absorption (cm⁻¹). High-resolution mass spectra using fast atom bombardment (FAB) was reported on a JEOL MStation JMS-700.

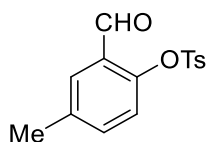
Materials

Anhydrous THF and methylene chloride (CH₂Cl₂) were purchased from Kanto Chemical Co., Inc. Dioxane was distilled from CaH₂ prior to use. DMF and DMSO were distilled from CaH₂ under reduced pressure. POCl₃ and PBr₃ were distilled and used immediately. TsCl was recrystallized from CHCl₃ prior to use. Unless otherwise mentioned, commercially obtained reagents were used as received.

Synthetic Procedures

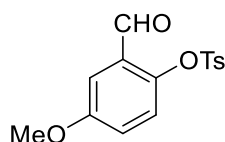
**17a**

2-Formylphenyl 4-methylbenzenesulfonate (17a): To a stirred solution of salicylic aldehyde (**16a**) (1.01 g, 8.28 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (1.00 mL) and NaOH (291 mg, 7.26 mmol) in water (3.00 mL) was added a solution of TsCl (1.82 g, 9.57 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (1.00 mL). The reaction mixture was stirred overnight at ambient temperature. After separation, the organic layer was acidified with aqueous HCl solution. The solution was extracted three times with CH₂Cl₂. The combined organic layers were washed with saturated aqueous NaCl solution, dried over MgSO₄, and evaporated to provide an oil. The oil was purified by flash column chromatography (SiO₂, 50% EtOAc/Hexanes) to afford **17a** (2.12 g, 93%) as a white solid; mp 50–52 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 2.46 (s, 3H), 7.21 (dd, *J* = 1.0, 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.33–7.35 (m, 1H), 7.38–7.42 (m, 2H), 7.59 (ddd, *J* = 1.0, 7.0, 8.6 Hz, 1H), 7.70–7.72 (m, 2H), 7.87 (dd, *J* = 1.6, 8.6 Hz, 1H), 9.99 (s, 1H).

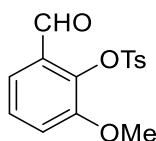
**17b**

2-Formyl-4-methylphenyl 4-methylbenzenesulfonate (17b): To a stirred solution of 5-methylsalicylic aldehyde (**16b**) (554 mg, 4.07 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (1.00 mL) and NaOH (190 mg, 4.75 mmol) in water (3.00 mL) was added a solution of TsCl (840 mg, 4.41 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (1.00 mL). The reaction mixture was stirred overnight at ambient temperature. After separation, the organic layer was acidified with aqueous HCl solution. The solution was extracted three times with CH₂Cl₂. The combined organic layers were washed with saturated aqueous NaCl solution, dried over MgSO₄, and evaporated to provide an oil. The oil was purified by flash column chromatography (SiO₂, 25% EtOAc/Hexanes) to afford **17b** (1.14 g, 97%) as a white solid; mp 120–123 °C; IR (NaCl): 1698, 1171, 816 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 2.37 (s, 3H), 2.45

(s, 3H), 7.07 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.33 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.36 (dd, $J = 2.4, 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.64 (d, $J = 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.69 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 9.94 (s, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 187.6, 149.2, 146.2, 137.7, 136.0, 131.4, 130.1, 128.9, 128.7, 128.5, 123.5, 21.8, 20.8; HRMS (FAB) calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{15}\text{O}_4\text{S}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 291.0691. Found: 291.0688.

**17c**

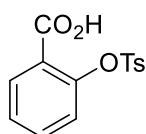
2-Formyl-4-methoxyphenyl 4-methylbenzenesulfonate (17c)¹: To a stirred solution of 5-methoxysalicylic aldehyde **16c** (331 mg, 2.18 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (1.00 mL) and NaOH (143 mg, 3.59 mmol) in water (3.00 mL) was added a solution of TsCl (564 mg, 2.96 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (1.00 mL). The reaction mixture was stirred overnight at ambient temperature. After separation, the organic layer was acidified with aqueous HCl solution. The solution was extracted three times with CH_2Cl_2 . The combined organic layers were washed with saturated aqueous NaCl solution, dried over MgSO_4 , and evaporated to provide an oil. The oil was purified by flash column chromatography (SiO_2 , 25% EtOAc/Hexanes) to afford **17c** (752 mg, 100%) as a white solid; mp 90–94 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 2.45 (s, 3H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 7.07 (m, 1H), 7.29 (dd, $J = 1.0, 2.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.33 (dd, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.68 (dd, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 9.91 (s, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 187.2, 158.3, 146.2, 145.0, 131.2, 130.1, 129.9, 128.5, 125.0, 122.3, 110.5, 55.8, 21.8.

**17d**

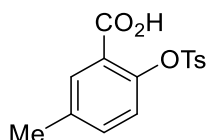
2-Formyl-6-methoxyphenyl 4-methylbenzenesulfonate (17d)¹: To a stirred solution of 3-methoxysalicylic aldehyde **16d** (1.05 g, 6.94 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (1.00 mL) and NaOH (300 mg, 7.50 mmol) in water (3.00 mL) was added a solution of TsCl (1.52 g, 8.00 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (1.00 mL). The reaction mixture was stirred overnight at ambient

¹ W. B. Motherwell and S. Vázquez, *Tetrahedron Lett.*, 2000, **41**, 9667.

temperature. After separation, the organic layer was acidified with aqueous HCl solution. The solution was extracted three times with CH₂Cl₂. The combined organic layers were washed with saturated aqueous NaCl solution, dried over MgSO₄, and evaporated to provide an oil. The oil was purified by flash column chromatography (SiO₂, 25% EtOAc/Hexanes) to afford **17d** (1.94 g, 91%) as a white solid; mp 91–95 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 2.47 (s, 3H), 3.59 (s, 3H), 7.11 (dd, *J* = 1.6, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 7.30–7.36 (m, 3H), 7.49 (dd, *J* = 3.2, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (dd, *J* = 1.6, 6.8 Hz, 2H), 10.08 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 188.0, 152.7, 143.6, 132.6, 131.3, 129.6, 128.6, 127.9, 119.4, 117.9, 55.9, 21.7.

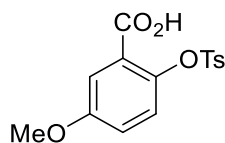
**15a**

2-(Tosyloxy)benzoic acid (15a)²: To a solution of aldehyde **17a** (1.50 g, 5.44 mmol) in CH₃CN (1.00 mL) were added NaH₂PO₄ (1.03 g, 8.59 mmol), H₂O₂ (0.500 mL), NaClO₂ (1.52 g, 16.9 mmol), and water (3.00 mL) at 10 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at ambient temperature for 2 h. A small amount of Na₂SO₃ was added to quench unreacted HOCl and H₂O₂. The resulting mixture was acidified with aqueous HCl solution. The mixture was extracted three times with EtOAc. The combined organic layers were washed with saturated aqueous NaCl solution, dried over MgSO₄, and evaporated to provide a solid. The solid was recrystallized from EtOAc to give salicylic acid **15a** (1.51 g, 100%) as a white solid; mp 165–166 °C (lit.² mp: 165–171 °C); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 2.42 (s, 3H), 7.29 (dd, *J* = 0.8, 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.31–7.34 (m, 2H), 7.39 (ddd, *J* = 0.8, 7.8, 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.58 (ddd, *J* = 1.6, 7.9, 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.73–7.76 (m, 2H), 7.97 (dd, *J* = 1.6, 7.8 Hz, 1H).

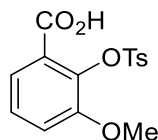
**15b**

² S. V. Luis, P. Ferrer, and M. I. Burguete, *J. Org. Chem.*, 1990, **55**, 3808.

5-Methyl-2-(tosyloxy)benzoic acid (15b): To a solution of aldehyde **17b** (1.00 g, 3.44 mmol) in CH₃CN (6.00 mL) were added NaH₂PO₄ (1.18 g, 9.80 mmol), H₂O₂ (0.500 mL), NaClO₂ (936 mg, 10.4 mmol), and water (3.00 mL) at 10 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at ambient temperature for 2 h. A small amount of Na₂SO₃ was added to quench unreacted HOCl and H₂O₂. The resulting mixture was acidified with aqueous HCl solution. The mixture was extracted three times with EtOAc. The combined organic layers were washed with saturated aqueous NaCl solution, dried over MgSO₄, and evaporated to provide a solid. The solid was recrystallized from EtOAc to give salicylic acid **15b** (777 mg, 73%) as a white solid; mp 217–218 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, (CD₃)₂SO): δ 2.31 (s, 3H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 6.86 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.35 (ddd, *J* = 0.4, 2.0, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.60 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.67–7.69 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, (CD₃)₂SO): δ 165.9, 146.1, 145.2, 137.5, 132.2, 132.1, 130.5, 128.7, 126.6, 123.6, 21.6, 20.6.

**15c**

5-Methoxy-2-(tosyloxy)benzoic acid (15c): To a solution of aldehyde **17c** (2.50 g, 8.15 mmol) in CH₃CN (6.00 mL) were added NaH₂PO₄ (2.02 g, 16.9 mmol), H₂O₂ (1.00 mL), NaClO₂ (2.26 g, 25.0 mmol) and water (3.00 mL) at 10 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at ambient temperature for 2 h. A small amount of Na₂SO₃ was added to quench unreacted HOCl and H₂O₂. The resulting mixture was acidified with aqueous HCl solution. The mixture was extracted three times with EtOAc. The combined organic layers were washed with saturated aqueous NaCl solution, dried over MgSO₄, and evaporated to provide a solid. The solid was recrystallized from EtOAc to give salicylic acid **15c** (2.13 g, 81%) as a white solid; mp 172–173 °C; IR (NaCl): 2917, 1699, 1170, 840 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 2.43 (s, 3H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 7.06 (dd, *J* = 3.2, 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.15 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.32 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.43 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 157.8, 145.7, 132.0, 129.8, 128.7, 125.5, 124.7, 120.1, 116.3, 55.8, 21.7; HRMS (FAB) calcd for C₁₅H₁₄O₆S [M]⁺: 322.0511. Found: 322.0514.

**15d**

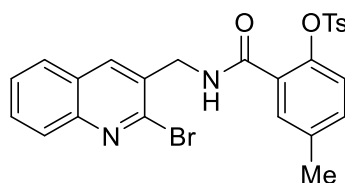
3-Methoxy-2-(tosyloxy)benzoic acid (15d): To a solution of aldehyde **17d** (1.87 g, 6.12 mmol) in CH₃CN (10.0 mL) were added NaH₂PO₄ (1.36 g, 11.3 mmol), H₂O₂ (1.00 mL), NaClO₂ (1.82 g, 20.2 mmol), and water (5.00 mL) at 10 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at ambient temperature for 2 h. A small amount of Na₂SO₃ was added to quench unreacted HOCl and H₂O₂. The resulting mixture was acidified with aqueous HCl solution. The mixture was extracted three times with EtOAc. The combined organic layers were washed with saturated aqueous NaCl solution, dried over MgSO₄, and evaporated to provide a solid. The solid was recrystallized from EtOAc to give salicylic acid **15d** (1.97 g, 100%) as a white solid; mp 170–171 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 2.41 (s, 3H), 3.62 (s, 3H), 7.12 (dd, *J* = 1.6, 6.8 Hz, 1H), 7.28–7.33 (m, 3H), 7.50 (dd, *J* = 1.6, 6.8 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H).

**13a**

2-(((2-Bromoquinolin-3-yl)methyl)carbamoyl)phenyl 4-methylbenzenesulfonate (13a)³: To a stirred of azide **18** (207 mg, 0.790 mmol) in THF (10.0 mL) were added PPh₃ (278 mg, 1.06 mmol) and water (1.00 mL) at ambient temperature. The mixture was heated at 55 °C for 1 h. After removal of the solvent under reduced pressure, the residue was diluted with EtOAc. The organic layer was dried over MgSO₄ and evaporated to provide a crude amine. The amine was used in the next step without purification. To a stirred solution of the crude amine in CH₂Cl₂ (20.0 mL) were added BOP (349 mg, 0.790 mmol), 2-tosyloxybenzoic acid **15a** (277 mg, 0.950 mmol), and Et₃N (0.420 mL, 3.16 mmol) at ambient temperature. The mixture was allowed to stir for 6 h. After removal of the solvent under reduced pressure, the residue was purified

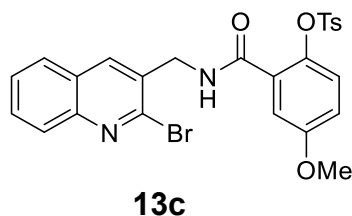
³ K. Natsuki, T. Shindo, and M. Toyota, *Heterocycles*, 2012, **84**, 1301.

by flash column chromatography (SiO₂, 33% EtOAc/Hexanes) to afford amide **13a** (351 mg, 87% for two steps) as a white crystal; mp 163–165 °C; IR (NaCl): 3327, 2992, 1649, 1438, 1171, 1119, 839, 835, 722 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 2.35 (s, 3H), 4.73–4.77 (m, 2H), 7.14–7.19 (m, 3H), 7.27–7.31 (m, 1H), 7.37 (dd, *J* = 7.2, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.53–7.58 (m, 1H), 7.62–7.64 (m, 2H), 7.72 (dd, *J* = 6.8, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.81–7.83 (m, 1H), 7.91 (dd, *J* = 1.2, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 8.03 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.25–8.30 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 164.8, 150.1, 147.8, 147.1, 146.5, 146.4, 138.1, 137.5, 132.5, 131.8, 130.5, 130.1, 129.4, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 128.0, 127.9, 127.6, 127.5, 127.3, 123.1, 41.8, 21.8; HRMS (FAB) calcd for C₂₄H₂₀O₄N₂BrS [M+H]⁺: 511.0327. Found: 511.0339.

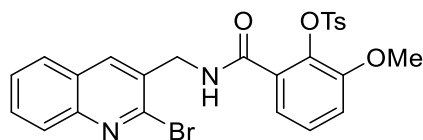
**13b**

2-(((2-Bromoquinolin-3-yl)methyl)carbamoyl)-4-methylphenyl 4-methylbenzenesulfonate (13b): To a stirred of azide **18** (48.1 mg, 0.180 mmol) in THF (5.00 mL) were added PPh₃ (53.3 mg, 0.200 mmol) and water (0.200 mL) at ambient temperature. The mixture was heated at 55 °C for 1 h. After removal of the solvent under reduced pressure, the residue was diluted with CH₂Cl₂. The organic layer was dried over MgSO₄ and evaporated to provide a crude amine. The amine was used in the next step without purification. To a stirred solution of the crude amine in CH₂Cl₂ (20.0 mL) were added BOP (84.9 mg, 0.190 mmol), 3-methyl-6-tosyloxybenzoic acid **15b** (58.8 mg, 0.190 mmol), and Et₃N (50.0 μmL, 0.360 mmol) at ambient temperature. The mixture was allowed to stir for 6 h. After removal of the solvent under reduced pressure, the residue was purified by flash column chromatography (SiO₂, 50% EtOAc/Hexanes) to afford amide **13b** (78.6 mg, 82% for two steps) as a white crystal; mp 155–158 °C; IR (NaCl): 3283, 1654, 1656, 1529, 1373, 1172, 1091, 754 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 2.32–2.35 (m, 6H), 4.73 (dd, *J* = 4.4, 6.4 Hz, 2H), 7.00 (dd, *J* = 4.0, 4.8 Hz), 7.17–7.22 (m, 3H), 7.27–7.32 (m, 1H), 7.52–7.58 (m, 1H), 7.62 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.69–7.74 (m, 2H), 7.82 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.02 (dd, *J* = 7.2, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.26 (d, *J* = 20 Hz, 1H);

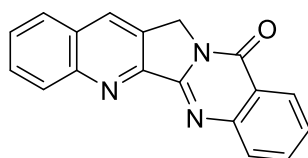
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2-(((2-Bromoquinolin-3-yl)methyl)carbamoyl)-4-methoxyphenyl 4-methylbenzenesulfonate (13c): To a stirred of azide **18** (113 mg, 0.430 mmol) in THF (10.0 mL) were added PPh_3 (118 mg, 0.450 mmol) and water (0.500 mL) at ambient temperature. The mixture was heated at 55 °C for 1 h. After removal of the solvent under reduced pressure, the residue was diluted with CH_2Cl_2 . The organic layer was dried over MgSO_4 and evaporated to provide a crude amine. The amine was used in the next step without purification. To a stirred solution of the crude amine in CH_2Cl_2 (20.0 mL) were added BOP (314 mg, 0.710 mmol), 5-methoxy-2-(tosyloxy)benzoic acid **15b** (225 mg, 0.700 mmol), and Et_3N (0.120 mL, 0.860 mmol) at ambient temperature. The mixture was allowed to stir for 6 h. After removal of the solvent under reduced pressure, the residue was purified by flash column chromatography (SiO_2 , 50% EtOAc/Hexanes) to afford amide **13c** (200 mg, 86% for two steps) as a white crystal; mp 168–171 °C; IR (NaCl): 3299, 2917, 1656, 1372, 1181, 1091, 893, 776, 755 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 2.36 (s, 3H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 4.74 (dd, $J=4.0, 6.2$ Hz, 2H), 6.92 (ddd, $J=1.2, 4.0, 4.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.01 (dd, $J=4.0, 4.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.18 (br d, $J=8.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.36 (d, $J=6.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.39 (d, $J=3.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.53–7.58 (m, 1H), 7.61 (d, $J=8.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.72 (dddd, $J=1.6, 1.6, 3.2, 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.83 (br d, $J=8.0$ Hz, 1H), 8.03 (br t, $J=8.0$ Hz, 1H), 8.27 (br d, $J=20.4$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 158.3, 146.1, 143.1, 139.1, 138.0, 137.4, 131.6, 130.4, 129.9, 129.2, 128.4, 128.2, 128.2, 127.9, 127.7, 127.3, 127.2, 124.2, 118.6, 115.0, 55.8, 43.6, 41.7, 21.7; HRMS (FAB) calcd for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{22}\text{O}_5\text{N}_2\text{BrS}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 541.0433. Found: 541.0391.

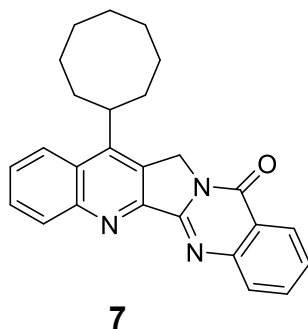
**13d**

2-(((2-Bromoquinolin-3-yl)methyl)carbamoyl)-6-methoxyphenyl 4-methylbenzenesulfonate (13d): To a stirred of azide **18** (409 mg, 1.55 mmol) in THF (30.0 mL) were added PPh₃ (612 mg, 2.33 mmol) and water (2.00 mL) at ambient temperature. The mixture was heated at 55 °C for 1 h. After removal of the solvent under reduced pressure, the residue was diluted with CH₂Cl₂. The organic layer was dried over MgSO₄ and evaporated to provide a crude amine. The amine was used in the next step without purification. To a stirred solution of the crude amine in CH₂Cl₂ (20.0 mL) were added BOP (600 mg, 1.36 mmol), 3-methoxy-2-(tosyloxy)benzoic acid **15d** (524 mg, 1.63 mmol), and Et₃N (0.500 mL, 3.60 mmol) at ambient temperature. The mixture was allowed to stir for 6 h. After removal of the solvent under reduced pressure, the residue was purified by flash column chromatography (SiO₂, 50% EtOAc/Hexanes) to afford amide **13d** (724 mg, 86% for two steps) as a white crystal; mp 166–167 °C; IR (NaCl): 3296, 2918, 1656, 1372, 1179, 1091, 862, 752 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 2.45 (s, 3H), 3.52 (s, 3H), 4.68 (dd, *J* = 6.0, 13.2 Hz, 2H), 6.99 (dd, *J* = 1.2, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.17–7.22 (m, 1H), 7.28–7.34 (m, 3H), 7.49 (dd, *J* = 1.2, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.52–7.57 (m, 1H), 7.70 (dddd, *J* = 2.0, 2.0, 3.2, 6.8 Hz, 1H), 7.78 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.84 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.00 (dd, *J* = 7.2, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.29 (d, *J* = 21.2 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 165.1, 152.4, 147.0, 145.6, 137.9, 137.4, 133.7, 130.4, 129.6, 129.4, 128.6, 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 128.0, 127.9, 127.5, 127.3, 127.2, 122.5, 115.2, 55.9, 43.6, 41.7, 21.8; HRMS (FAB) calcd for C₂₅H₂₂O₅N₂BrS [M+H]⁺: 541.0433. Found: 541.0462.

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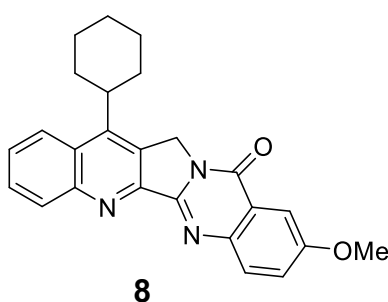
Luotonin A (2)³: A mixture of amide **13a** (82.2 mg, 0.160 mmol), CuCN (63.1 mg, 0.640 mmol), Pd₂(dba)₃ (10.4 mg, 11.0 μmol), DPPF (18.5 mg, 33.0 μmol), K₂CO₃

(22.1 mg, 0.160 mmol), and Et₄NCN (53.7 mg, 0.340 mmol) in 1,4-dioxane (3.00 mL) was heated at 130 °C for 14 h. The resulting mixture was diluted with CH₂Cl₂, and the precipitates were filtered off through Celite. The filtrate was washed with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ solution, saturated aqueous NaCl solution, dried over MgSO₄, and evaporated to provide a crude product. The crude was purified by flash column chromatography (SiO₂, 50% EtOAc/Hexanes) to afford luotonin A (**2**) (37.1 mg, 81%) as a pale yellow needle; mp 280–283 °C (lit.³ mp 281–283 °C); IR (NaCl): 2923, 1652, 1558, 1540, 1507, 1079, 871, 667 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 5.37 (s, 2H), 7.60 (ddd, *J* = 0.8, 7.2, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.71 (ddd, *J* = 0.8, 7.2, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.87 (ddd, *J* = 1.2, 7.2, 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.98 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.14 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.45 (dd, *J* = 1.2, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.45–8.51 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 160.9, 152.8, 151.3, 149.6, 149.6, 134.8, 131.8, 130.9, 130.9, 129.6, 129.0, 128.3, 128.3, 128.1, 127.7, 126.6, 121.5, 47.5; **HRMS** (FAB) calcd for C₁₈H₁₂ON₃ [M]⁺: 285.0902. Found: 285.0904.



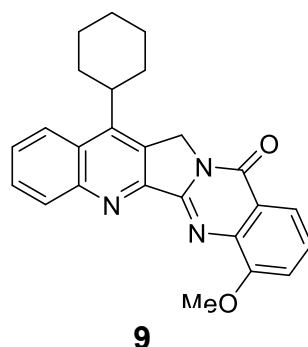
14-Cyclooctylquinolino[2',3':3,4]pyrrolo[2,1-*b*]quinazolin-11(13*H*)-one (7): To a solution of cyclooctane (1.00 mL, 7.43 mmol) and luotonin A (**2**) (13.3 mg, 47.0 μmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (1.00 mL) were added NaN₃ (20.9 mg, 0.321 mmol) and PIFA (101 mg, 0.234 mmol) at ambient temperature. The reaction mixture was stirred for 2 h, and then NaN₃ (5.40 mg, 83.0 μmol) and PIFA (36.2 mg, 84.0 μmol) were added to the reaction mixture. The resulting mixture was stirred for 7 h and quenched with saturated aqueous Na₂S₂O₃. The mixture was extracted three times with CH₂Cl₂. The combined organic layers were washed with saturated NaHCO₃, saturated NaCl, dried over MgSO₄, and evaporated to provide a crude product. The crude was purified by flash column chromatography (SiO₂, 93% Toluene/Acetone) to afford 14-cyclooctylluotonin A (**7**) (10.7 mg, 58%) as a yellow solid; mp 270–272 °C; IR (NaCl): 3370, 2917, 2849, 1672,

1465, 1254, 1035, 986, 750 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (600 MHz, $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$, 80 $^\circ\text{C}$): δ 1.61–1.77 (m, 6H), 1.77–1.88 (m, 3H), 1.88–2.01 (m, 5H), 3.74 (br s, 1H), 5.40 (s, 2H), 7.62 (dt, $J = 1.8$ and 6.6 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.88 (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.91–7.95 (m, 2H), 8.27 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 8.32 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 8.36 (br d, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (150 MHz, $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$, 80 $^\circ\text{C}$): δ 159.2, 152.9, 150.9, 149.2, 148.9, 134.0, 130.5, 129.4, 127.6, 127.4, 126.6, 126.1, 125.6, 120.8, 47.0, 40.0, 32.5, 26.3, 26.1, 25.5; **HRMS** (FAB) calcd for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{26}\text{ON}_3$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 396.2076. Found: 396.2045.

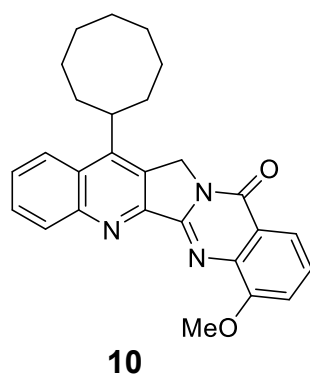


14-Cyclohexyl-9-methoxyquinolino[2',3':3,4]pyrrolo[2,1-*b*]quinazolin-11(13*H*)-one (8): To a solution of cyclohexane (1.00 mL, 9.26 mmol) and 9-methoxyluotonin A (**4**) (13.8 mg, 44.0 μmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (1.00 mL) were added NaN_3 (61.9 mg, 0.952 mmol) and PIFA (75.2 mg, 0.175 mmol) at ambient temperature. The reaction mixture was stirred for 2 h, and then NaN_3 (50.8 mg, 0.781 mmol) and PIFA (97.9 mg, 0.228 mmol) were added to the reaction mixture. The resulting mixture was stirred for 7 h and quenched with saturated aqueous $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$. The mixture was extracted three times with CH_2Cl_2 . The combined organic layers were washed with saturated NaHCO_3 , saturated NaCl , dried over MgSO_4 , and evaporated to provide a crude product. The crude was purified by flash column chromatography (SiO_2 , 67% EtOAc/Hexanes) to afford 14-cyclohexyl-9-methoxyluotonin A (**8**) (7.50 mg, 43%) as a yellow solid; mp >300 $^\circ\text{C}$; IR (NaCl): 2923, 2850, 1673, 1622, 1568, 1486, 1269, 1077, 922, 767, 744 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 1.45–1.61 (m, 3H), 1.89–2.08 (m, 7H), 3.69 (br s, 1H), 4.08 (s, 3H), 5.46 (s, 2H), 7.28 (dd, $J = 1.2, 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.51 (t, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.66 (t, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.78 (dt, $J = 1.2, 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 8.00 (dd, $J = 1.2, 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 8.25 (br s, 1H), 8.43 (dd, $J = 1.2, 8.4$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 160.5, 155.5, 153.0, 148.6, 147.8, 146.0, 140.2, 132.0, 129.7, 128.0, 127.6, 127.5, 126.2, 122.3, 117.5, 114.1,

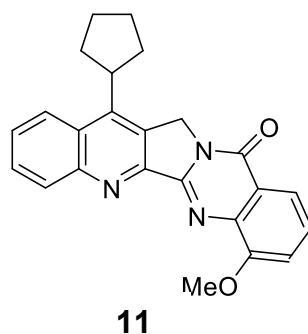
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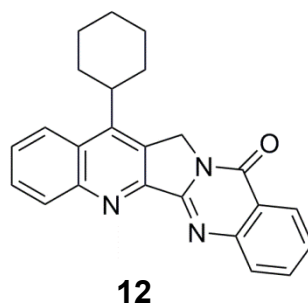
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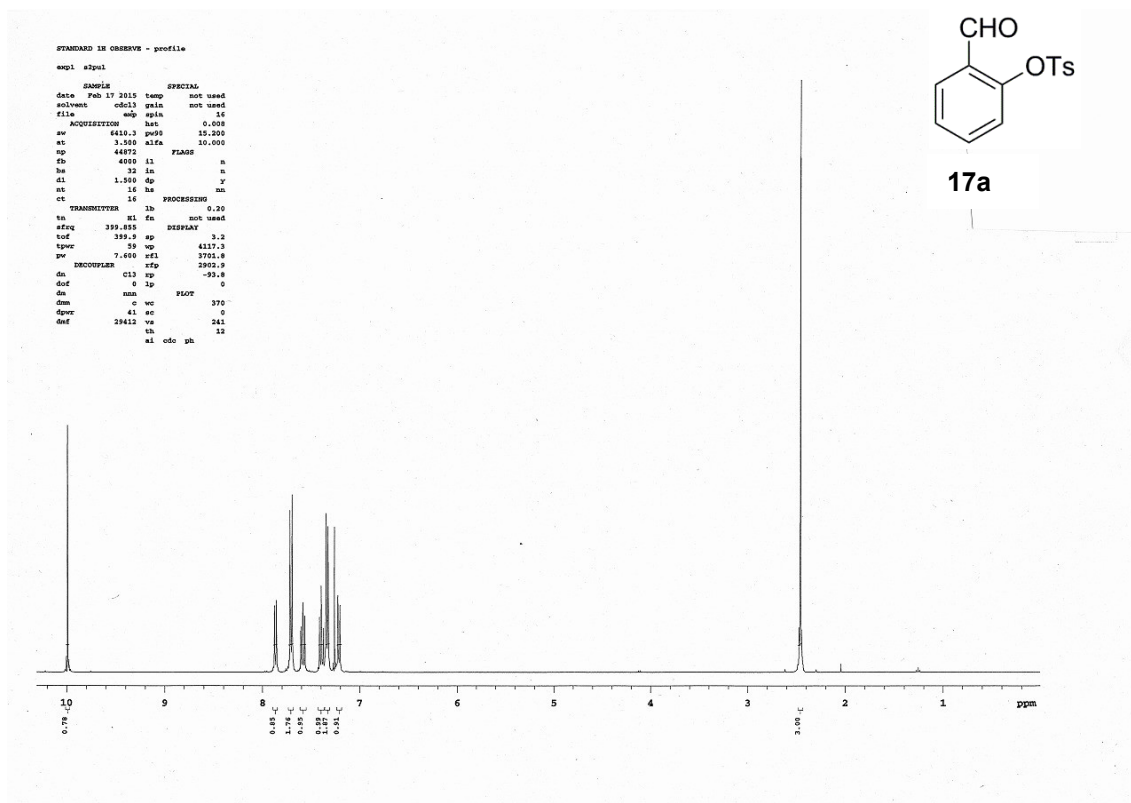
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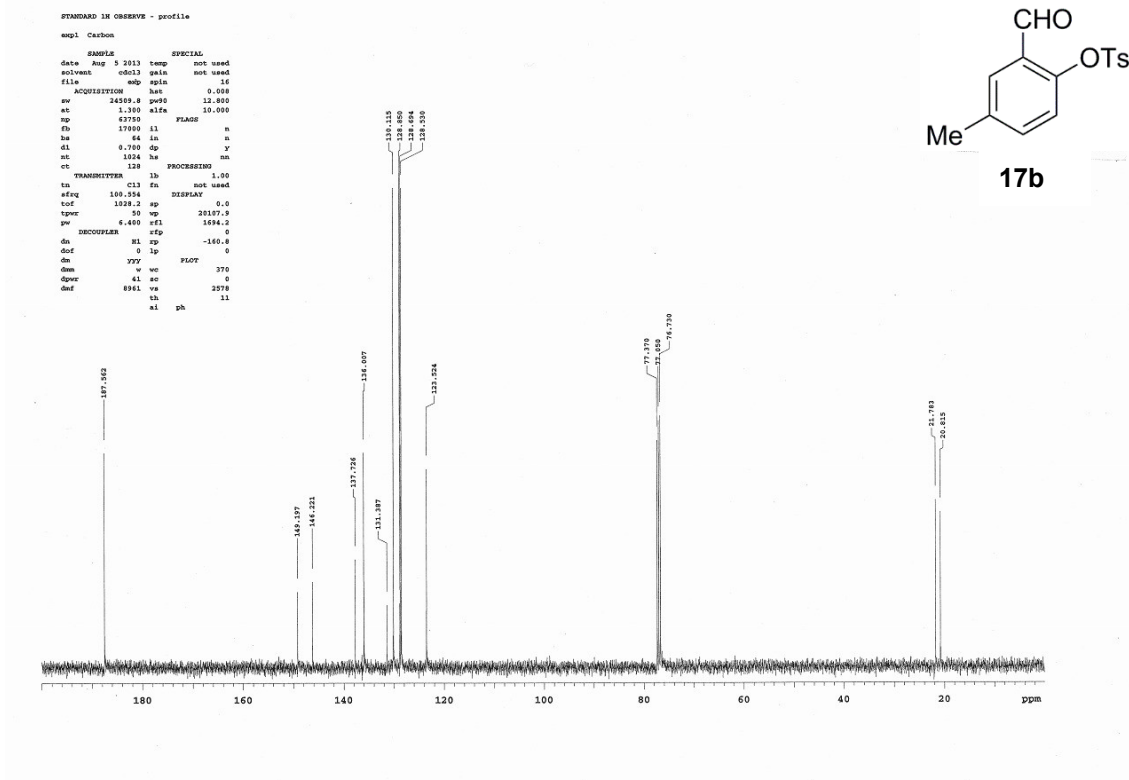
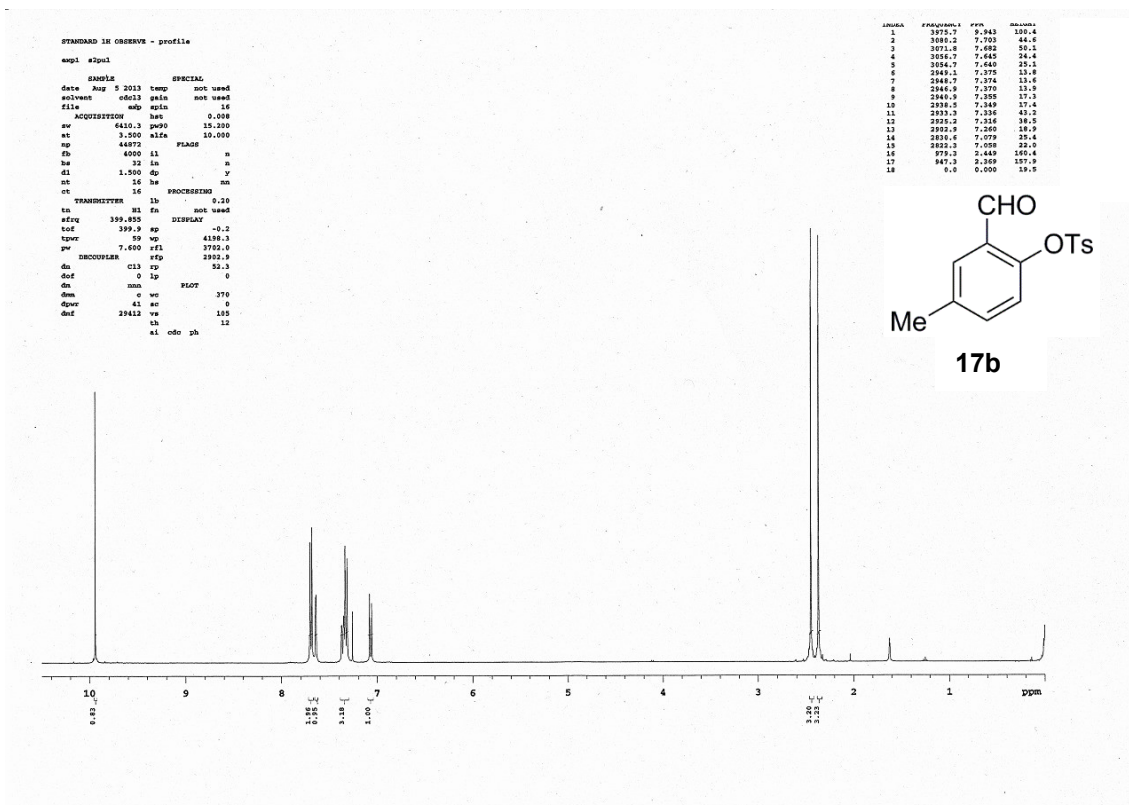


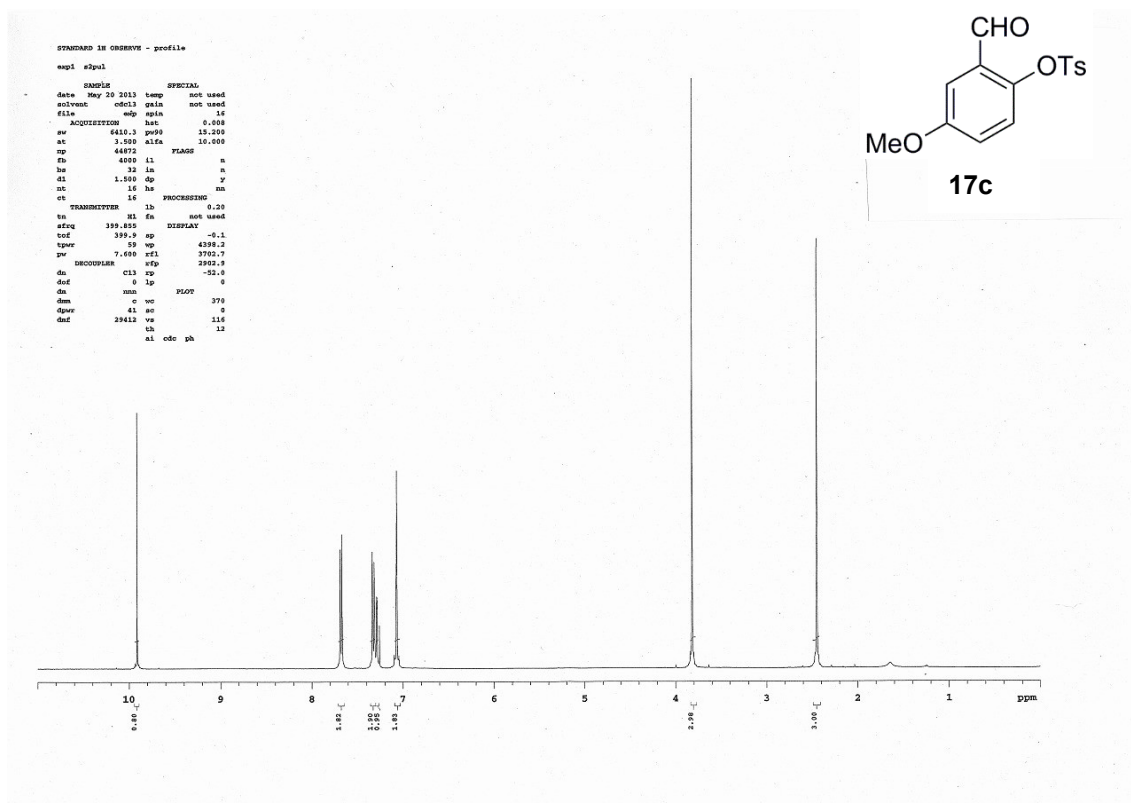
14-Cyclopentyl-7-methoxyquinolino[2',3':3,4]pyrrolo[2,1-*b*]quinazolin-11(13*H*)-one (11): To a solution of cyclopentane (1.00 mL, 10.7 mmol) and 7-methoxyluotonin A (**5**) (18.9 mg, 60.0 μ mol) in CH_2Cl_2 (1.00 mL) were added NaN_3 (58.9 mg, 0.906 mmol) and PIFA (95.1 mg, 0.221 mmol) at ambient temperature. The reaction mixture was stirred for 2 h, and then NaN_3 (60.2 mg, 0.926 mmol) and PIFA (87.9 mg, 0.204 mmol) were added to the reaction mixture. The resulting mixture was stirred for 7 h and quenched with saturated aqueous $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$. The mixture was extracted three times with CH_2Cl_2 . The combined organic layers were washed with saturated NaHCO_3 , saturated NaCl , dried over MgSO_4 , and evaporated to provide a crude product. The crude was purified by flash column chromatography (SiO_2 , 83% Toluene/Acetone) to afford 14-cyclopentyl-7-methoxyluotonin A (**11**) (4.60 mg, 20%) as a yellow solid; mp >300 $^\circ\text{C}$; IR (NaCl): 3394, 2929, 1674, 1631, 1443, 1123, 1034, 760, 616 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3 , 50 $^\circ\text{C}$): δ 1.87–1.97 (m, 2H), 2.04–2.14 (m, 4H), 2.23–2.31 (m, 2H), 3.84–3.93 (m, 1H), 4.07 (s, 3H), 5.38 (s, 2H), 7.27 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.49 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.63 (dd, $J = 7.2, 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.77 (dd, $J = 7.2, 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 8.00 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 8.23 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 8.44 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 160.5, 155.5, 152.0, 150.6, 149.9, 147.8, 140.1, 132.0, 129.7, 127.9, 127.7, 127.6, 127.0, 124.1, 122.3, 117.5, 114.1, 56.0, 47.6, 41.5, 32.6, 26.5; HRMS (FAB) calcd for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{22}\text{O}_2\text{N}_3$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 384.1712. Found: 384.1718.

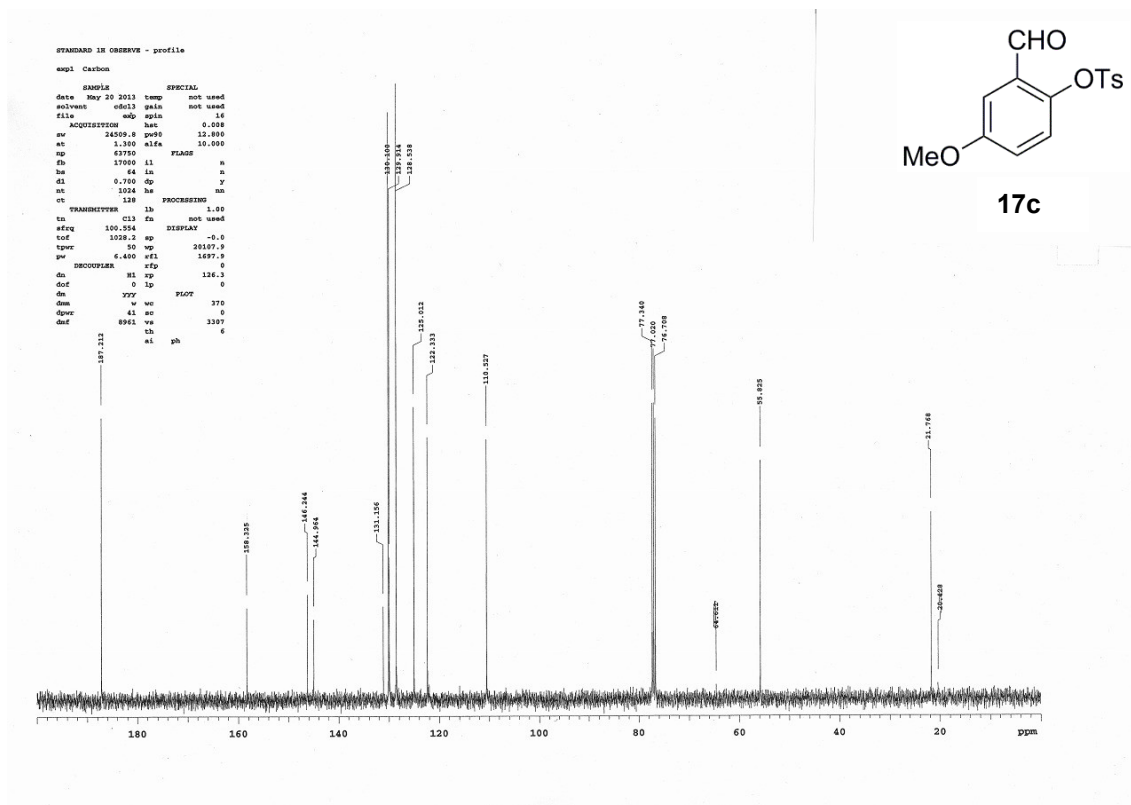


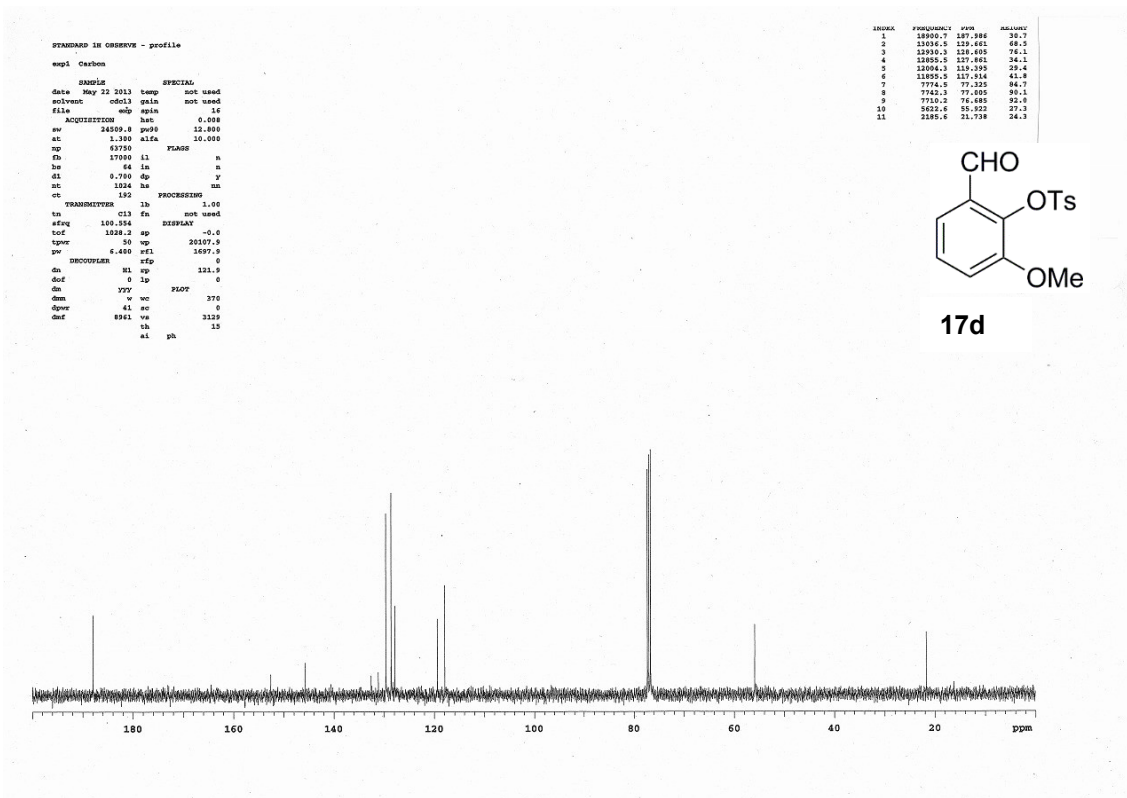
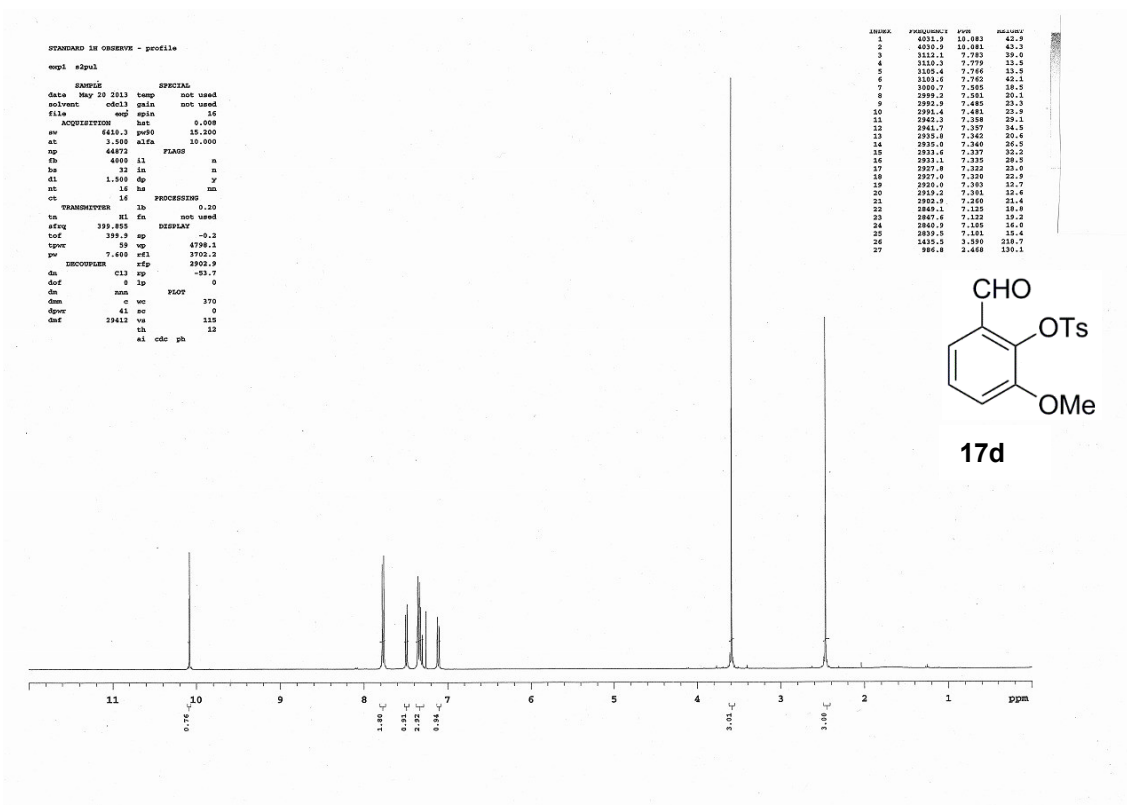
14-Cyclohexylquinolino[2',3':3,4]pyrrolo[2,1-*b*]quinazolin-11(13*H*)-one (12): To a solution of cyclohexane (1.00 mL, 9.26 mmol) and luotonin A (**2**) (11.3 mg, 40.0 μmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (1.00 mL) were added NaN_3 (5.20 mg, 80.0 μmol) and PIFA (35.4 mg, 82.0 μmol) at ambient temperature. The reaction mixture was stirred for 2 h, and then NaN_3 (5.40 mg, 83.0 μmol) and PIFA (36.2 mg, 84.0 μmol) were added to the reaction mixture. The resulting mixture was stirred for 7 h and quenched with saturated aqueous $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$. The mixture was extracted three times with CH_2Cl_2 . The combined organic layers were washed with saturated NaHCO_3 , saturated NaCl , dried over MgSO_4 , and evaporated to provide a crude product. The crude was purified by flash column chromatography (SiO_2 , 80% $\text{CHCl}_3/\text{EtOAc}$) to afford 14-cyclohexylluotonin A (**12**) (8.60 mg, 58%) as a yellow solid; mp 260–265 $^\circ\text{C}$; IR (NaCl): 3248, 2924, 2849, 1673, 1623, 1466, 1120, 733, 617 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 1.40–1.66 (m, 3H), 1.82–2.11 (m, 7H), 3.71 (br s, 1H), 5.48 (s, 2H), 7.58 (dt, $J = 1.2, 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.70 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.80–7.88 (m, 2H), 8.13 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 8.28 (br s, 1H), 8.45 (d, $J = 1.2, 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 8.49 (d, $J = 1.2, 8.4$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl_3 , 50 $^\circ\text{C}$): δ 160.7, 152.8, 151.2, 150.1, 149.8, 148.9, 134.5, 132.0, 129.9, 128.9, 128.1, 127.7, 127.2, 126.5, 123.8, 121.5, 47.9, 40.9, 31.9, 27.1, 26.1; HRMS (FAB) calcd for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{22}\text{ON}_3$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 368.1763. Found: 368.1769.

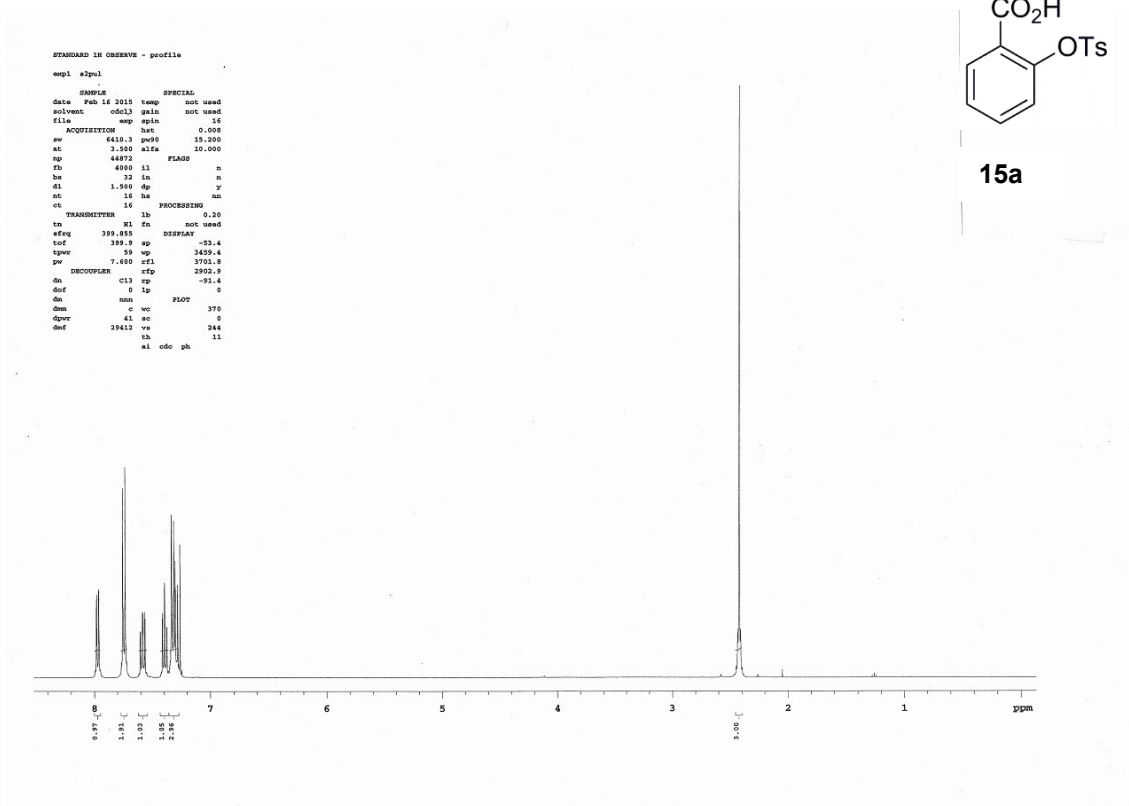


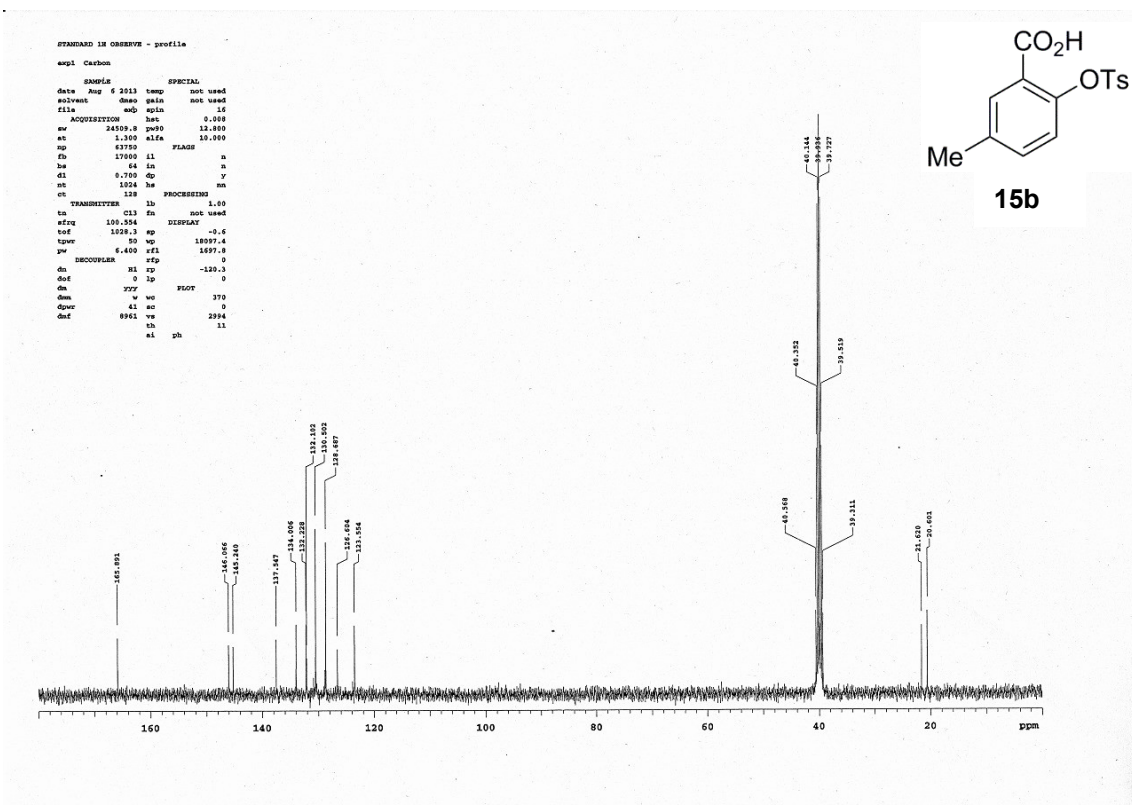
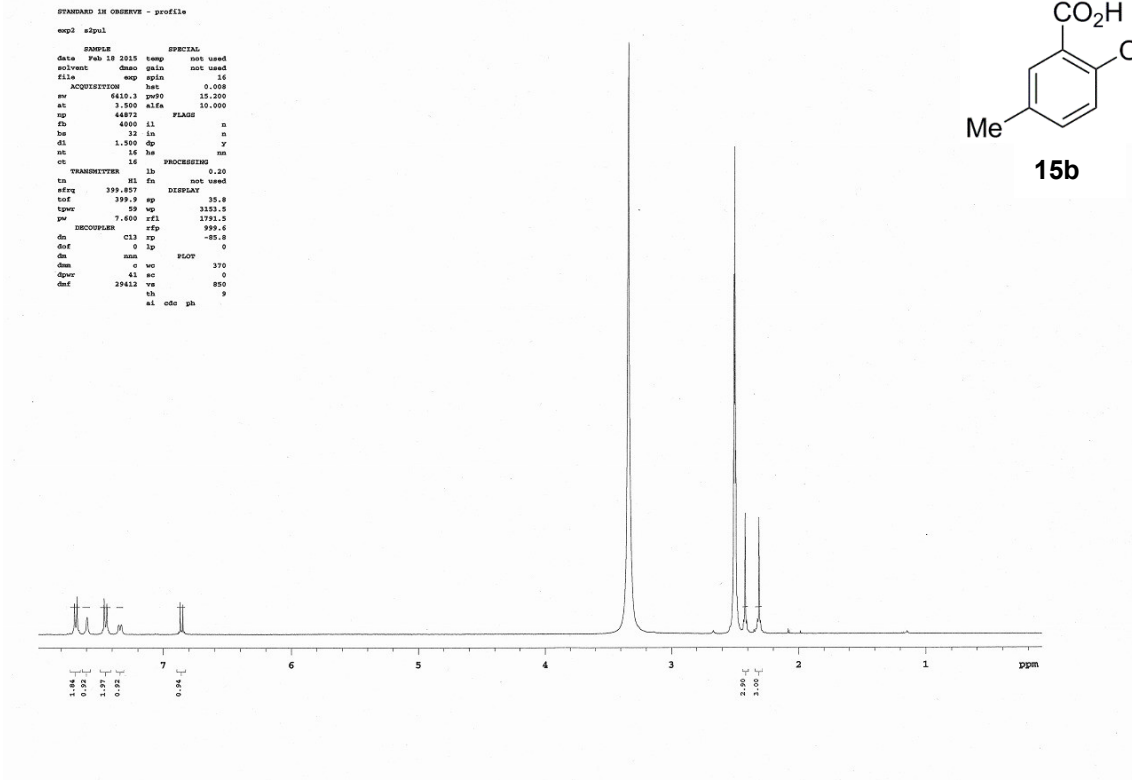


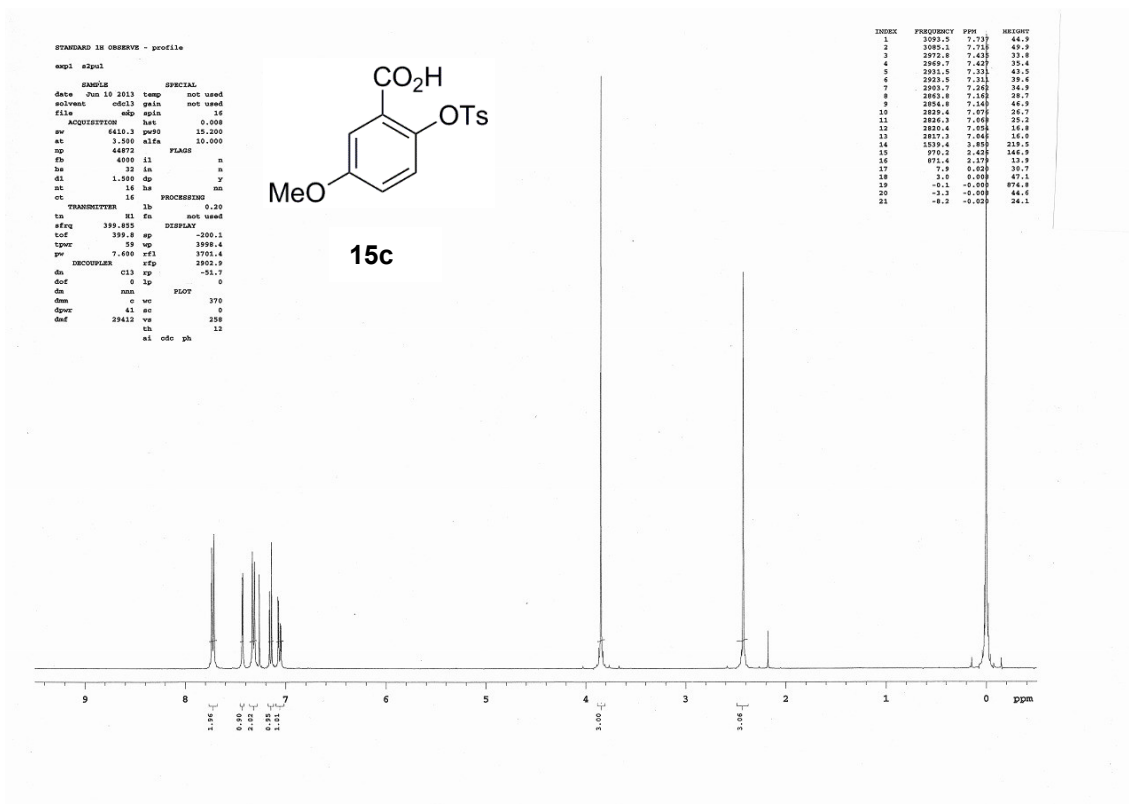


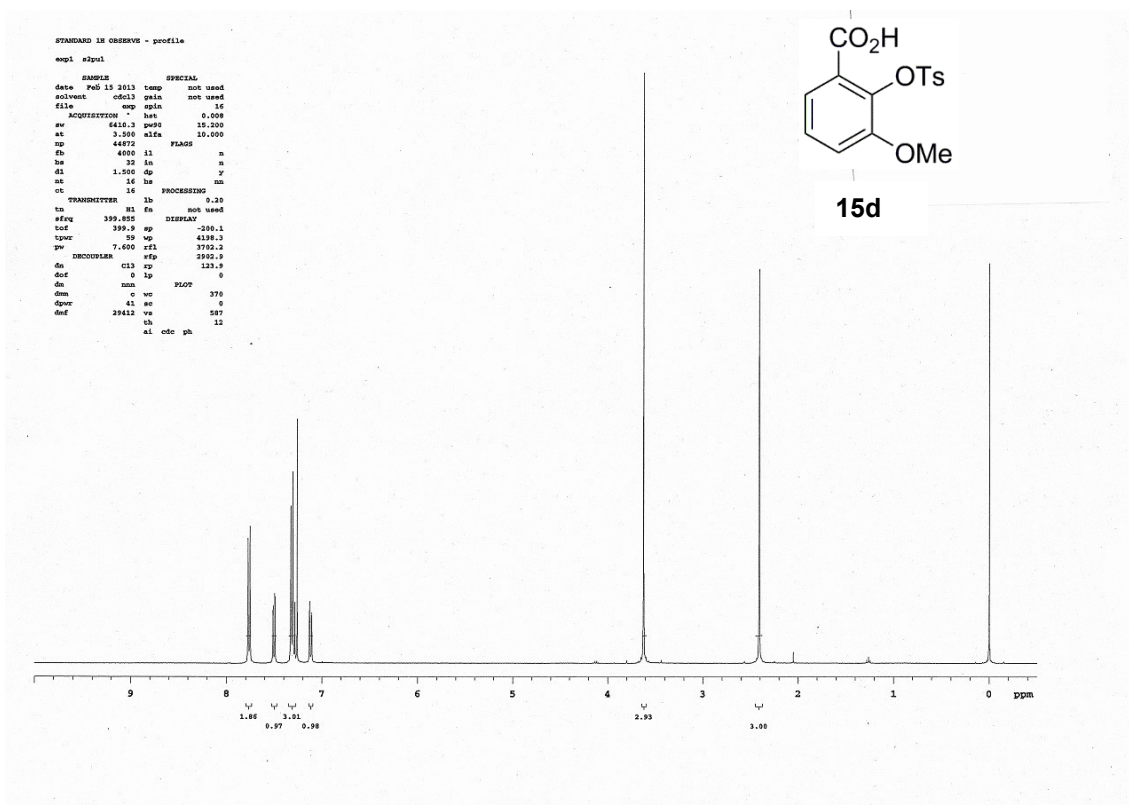
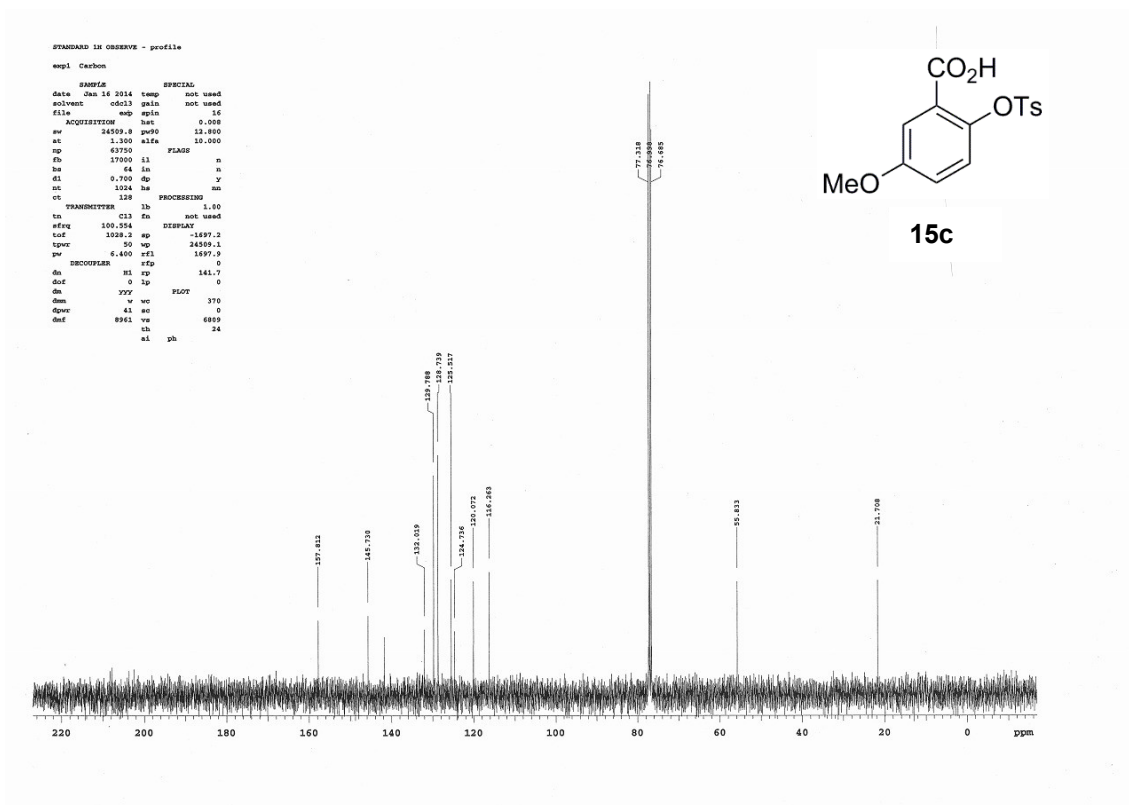


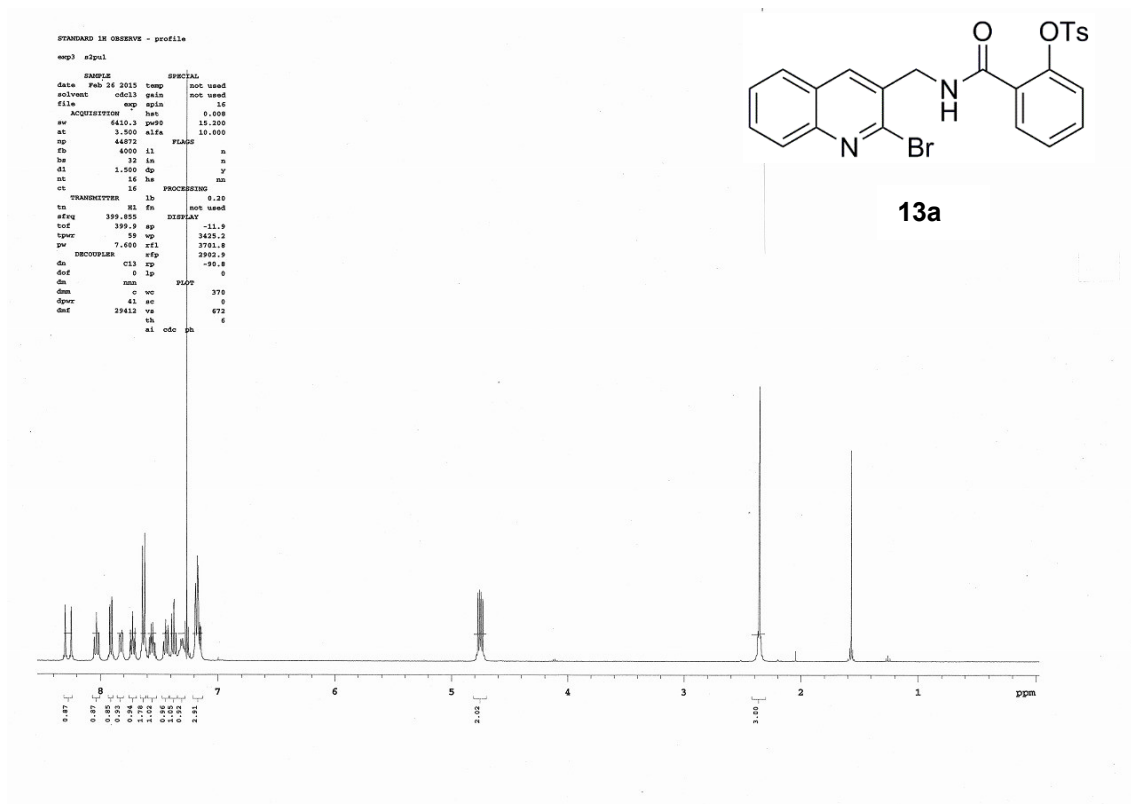


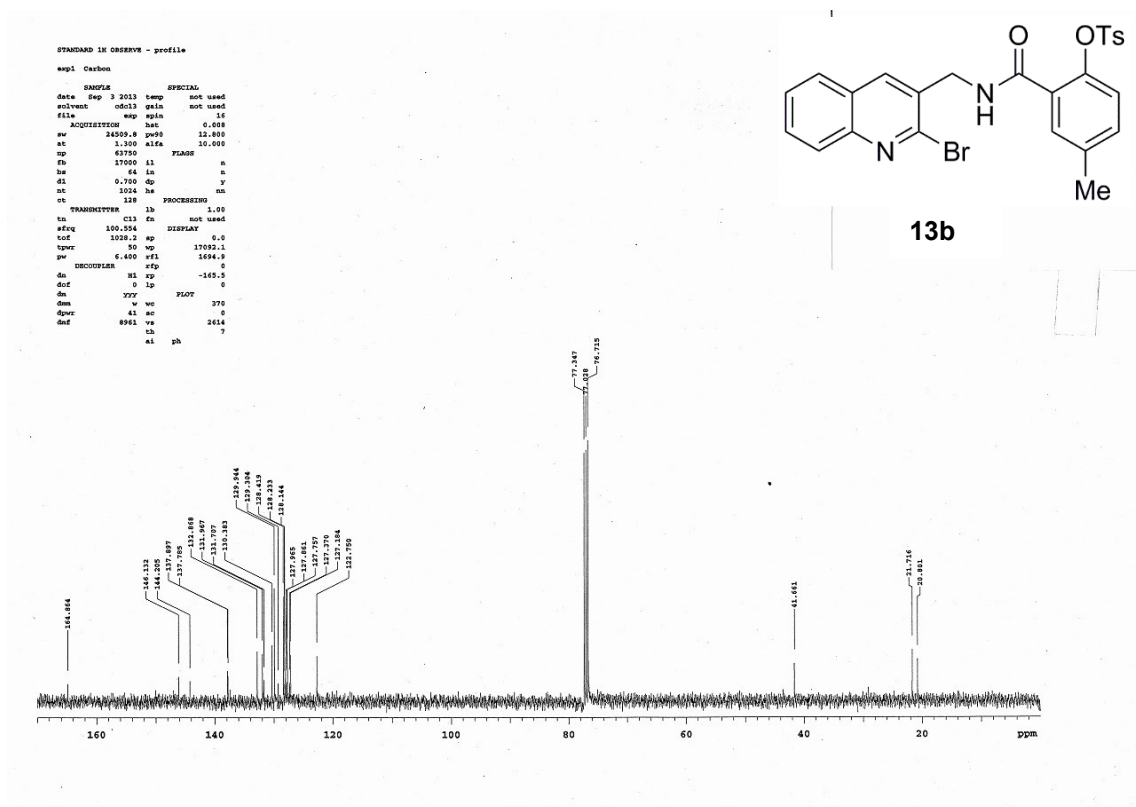
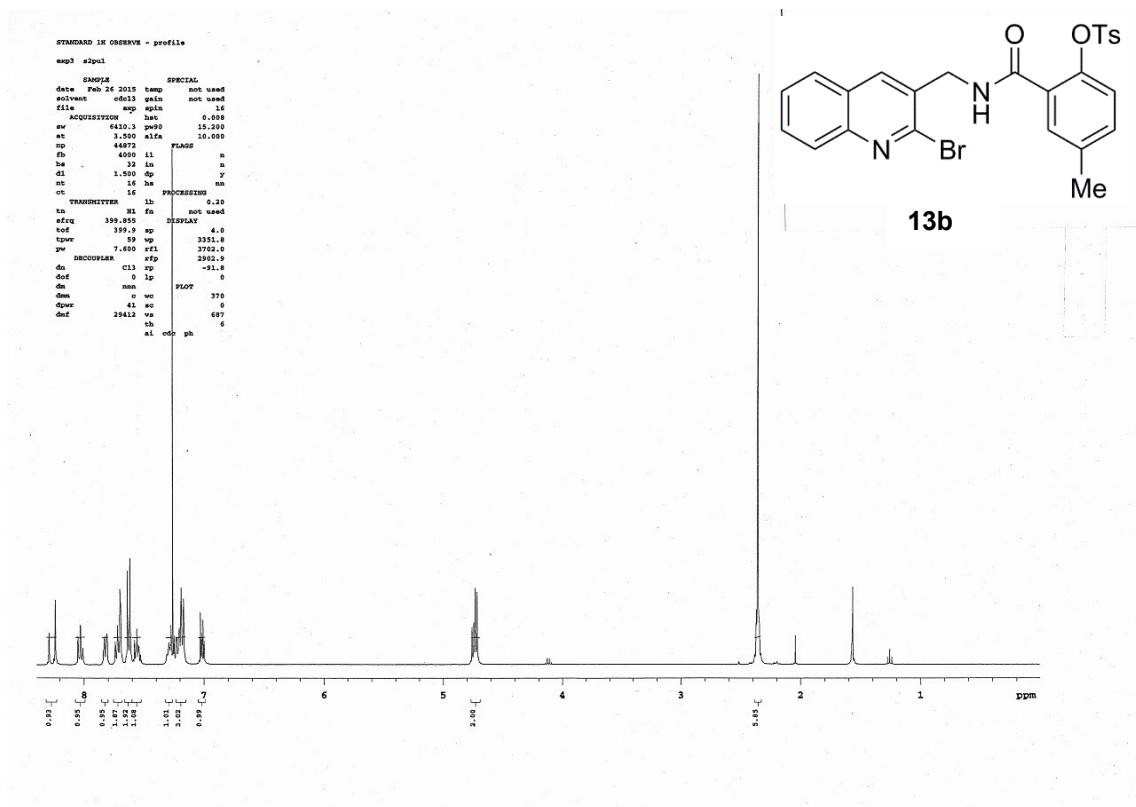


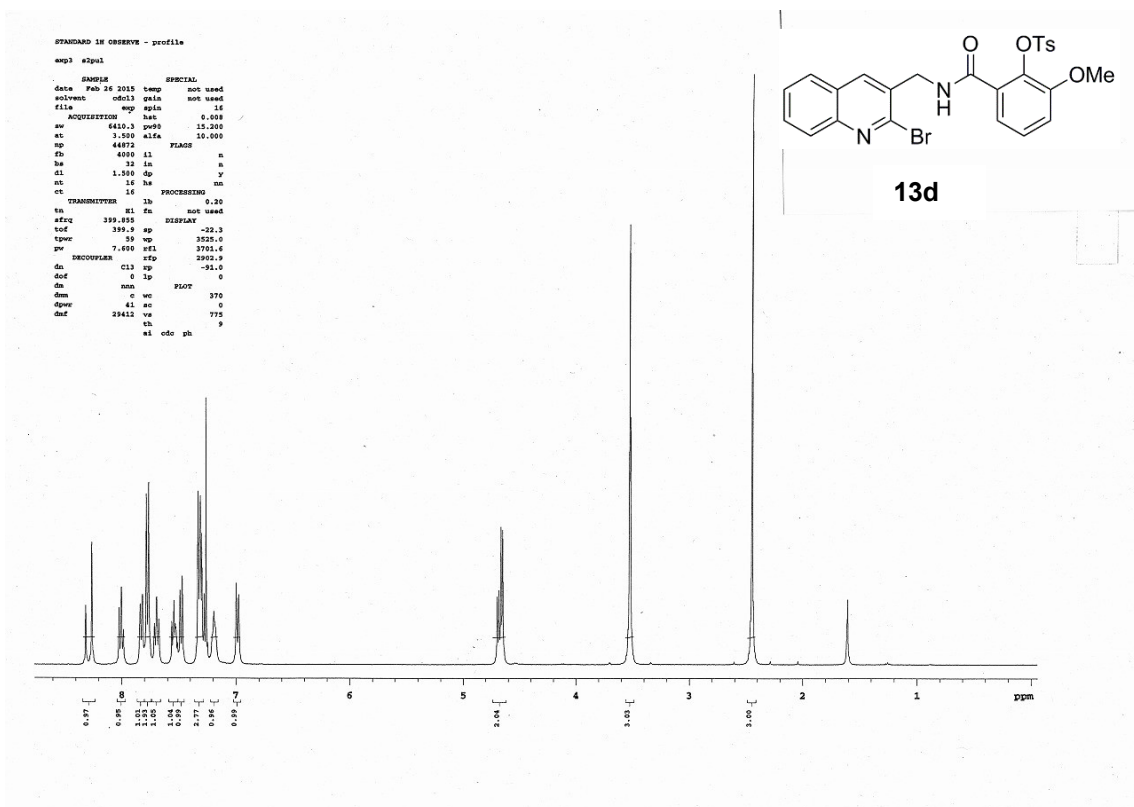
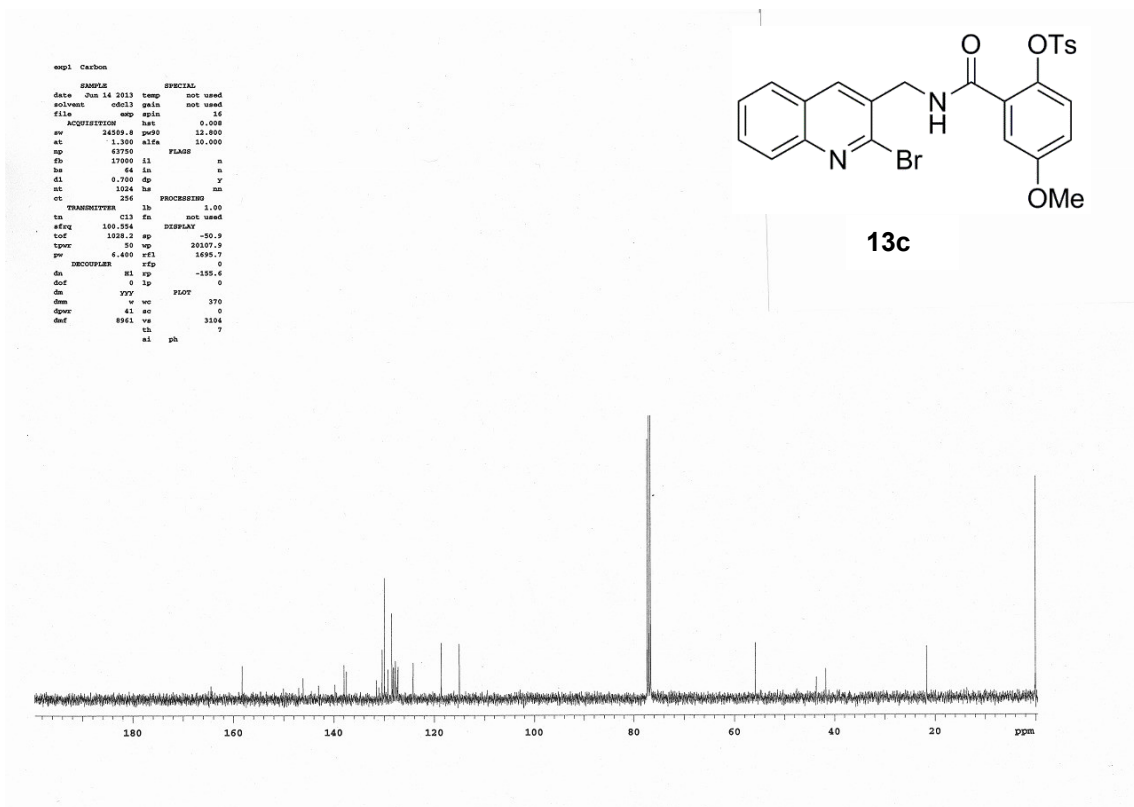


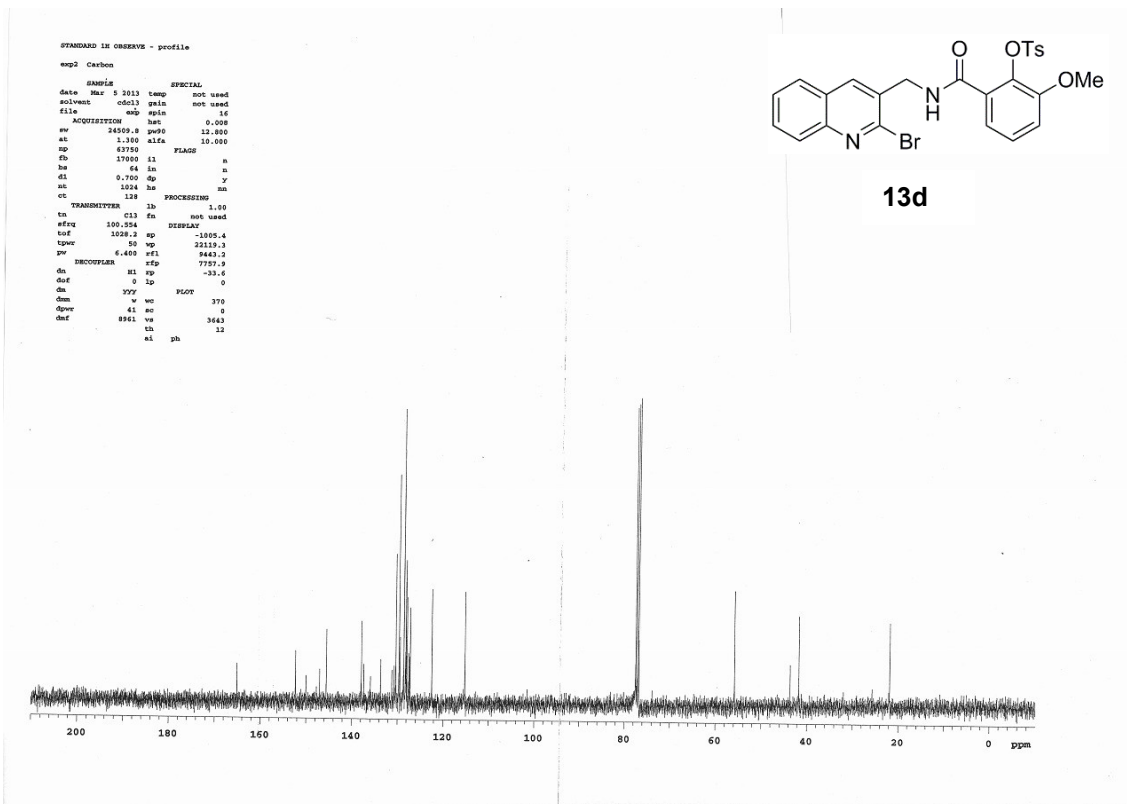


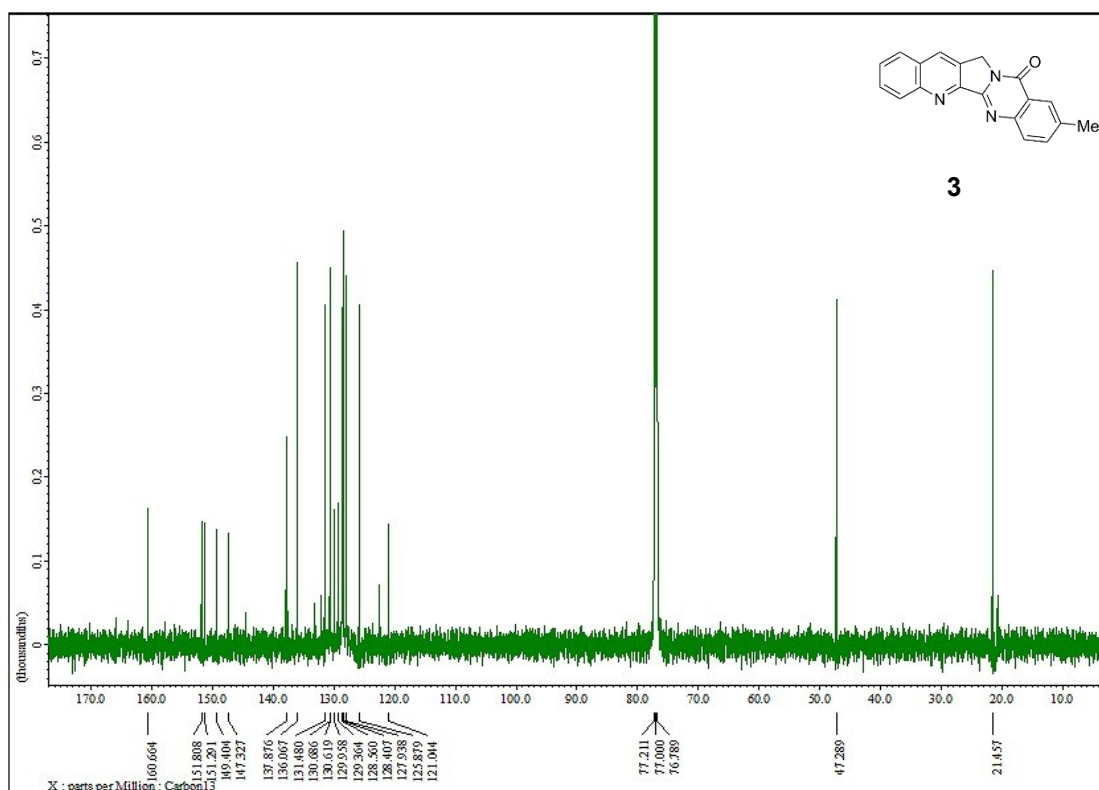
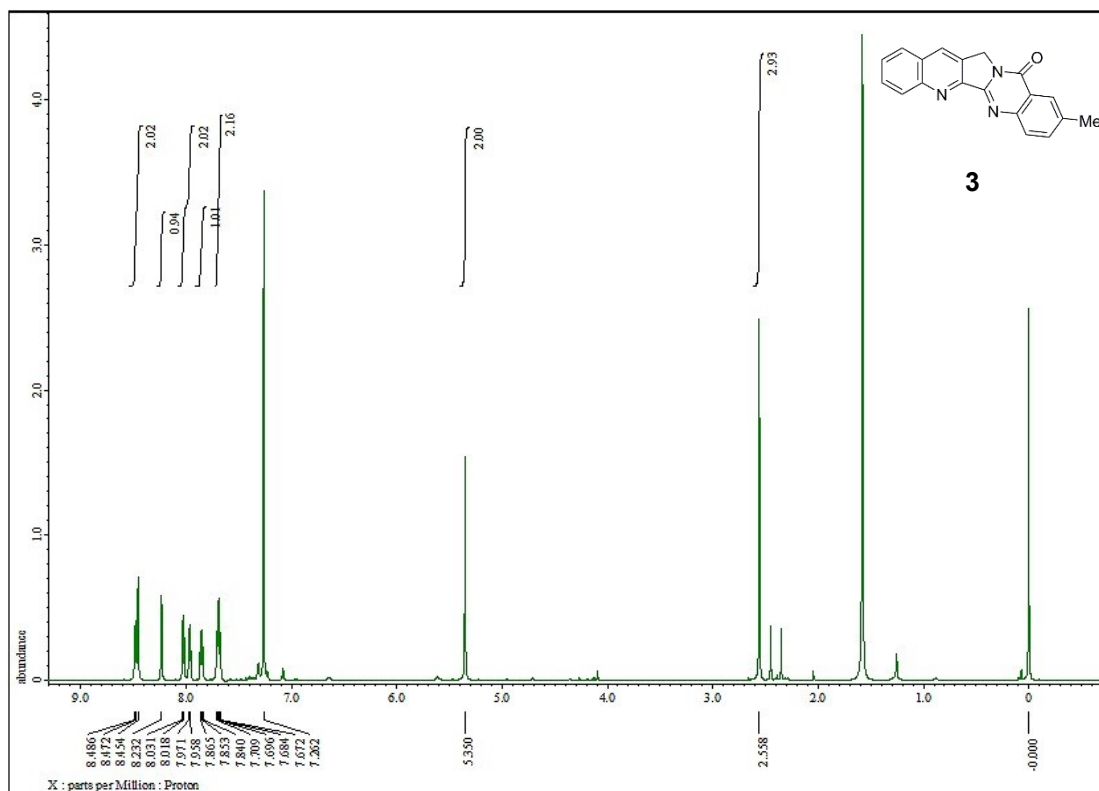


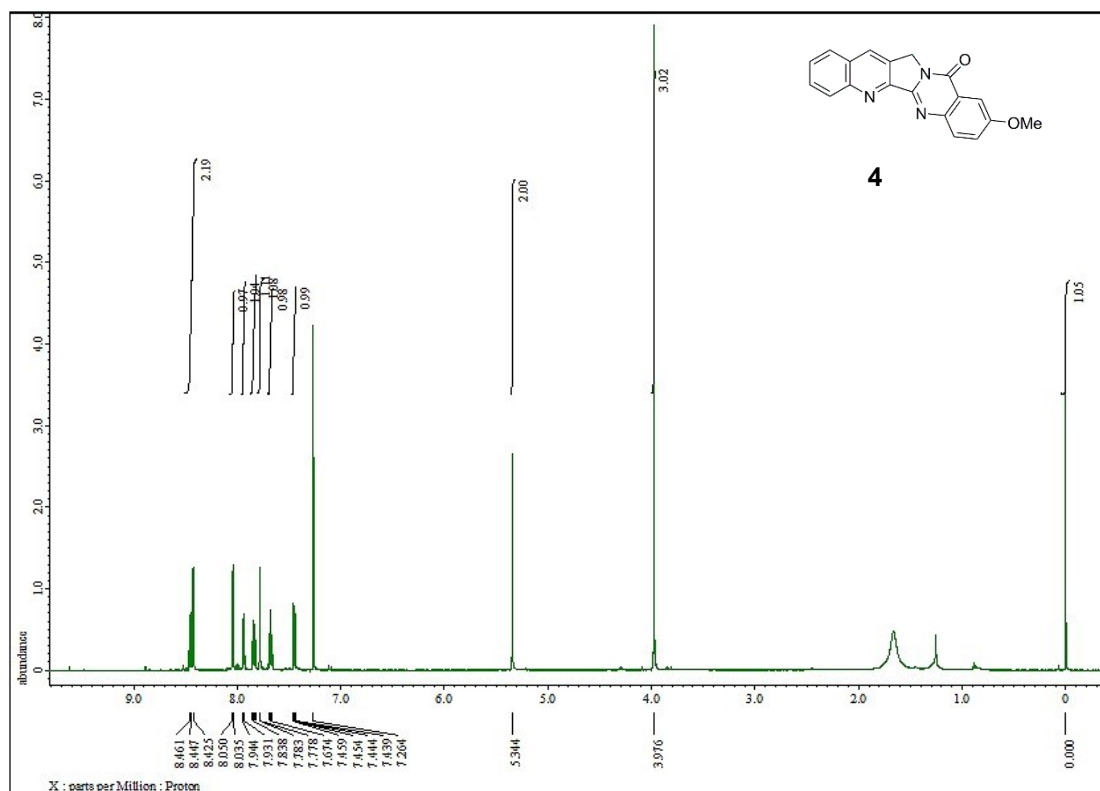


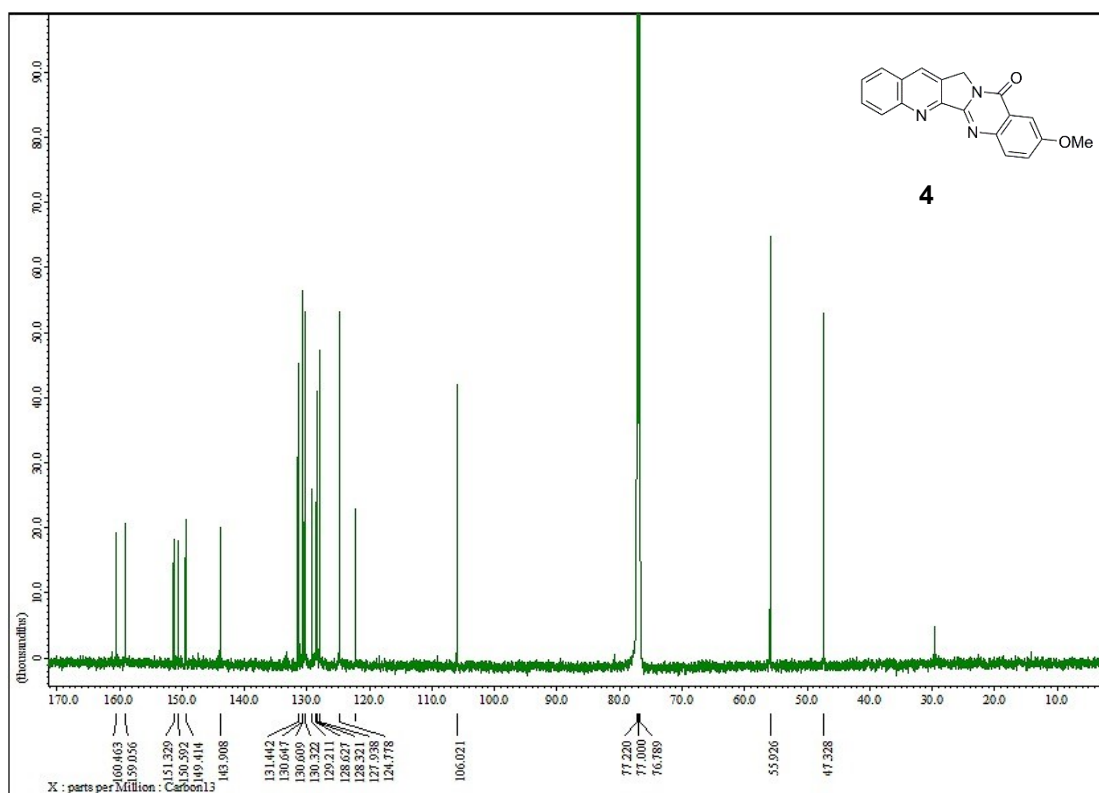


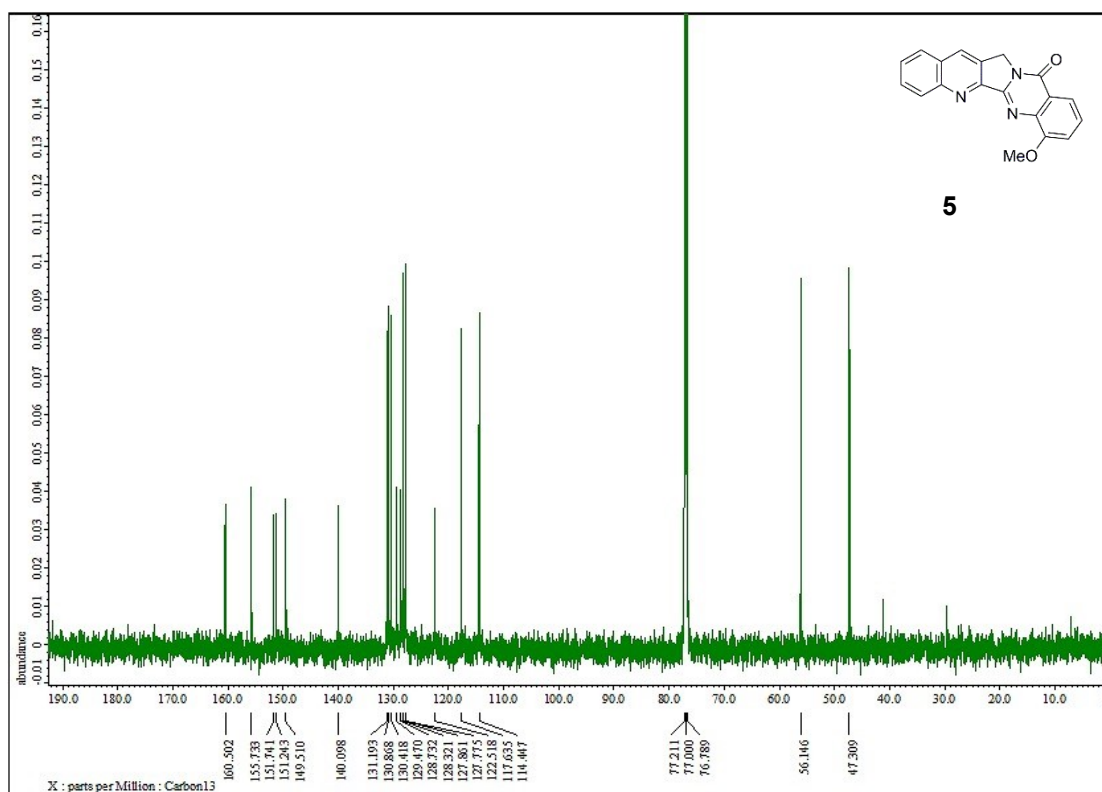
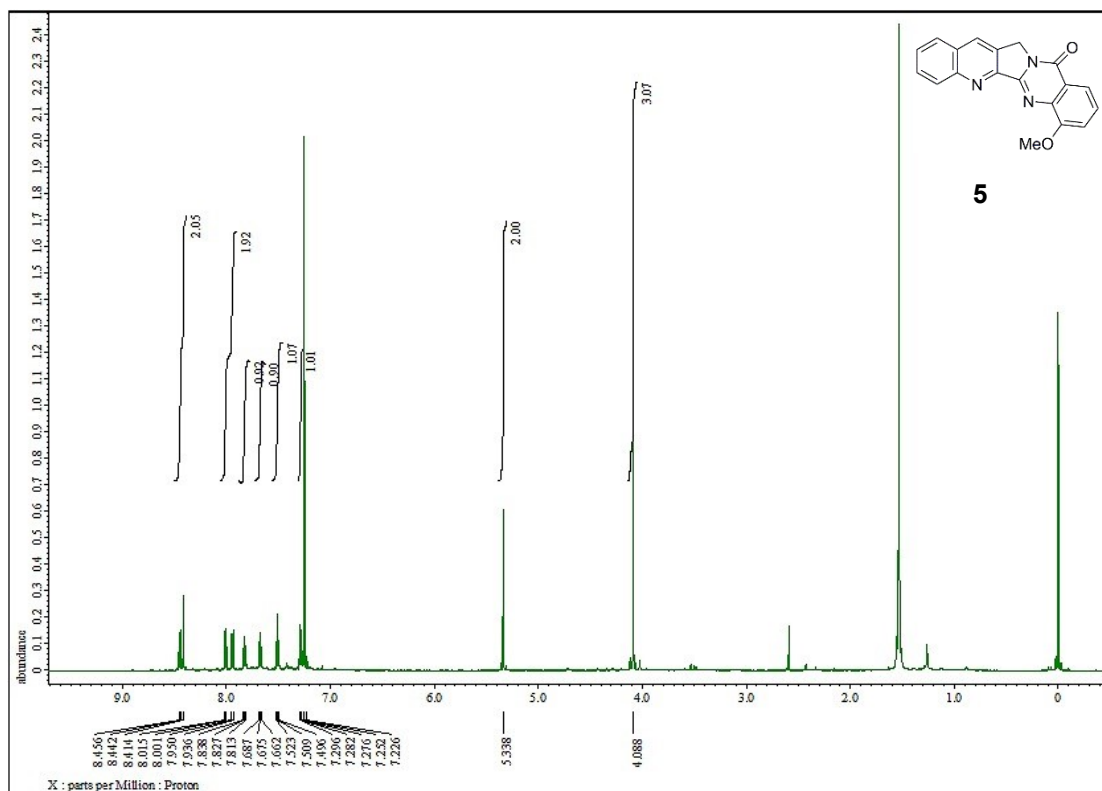


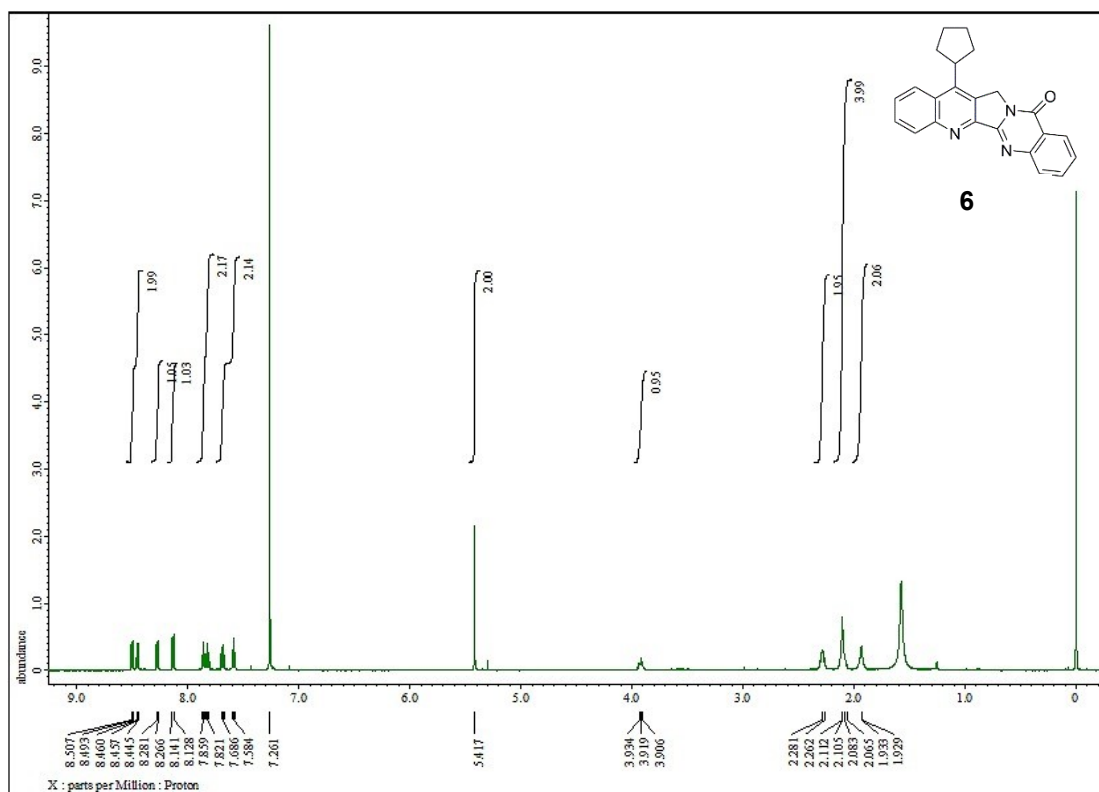


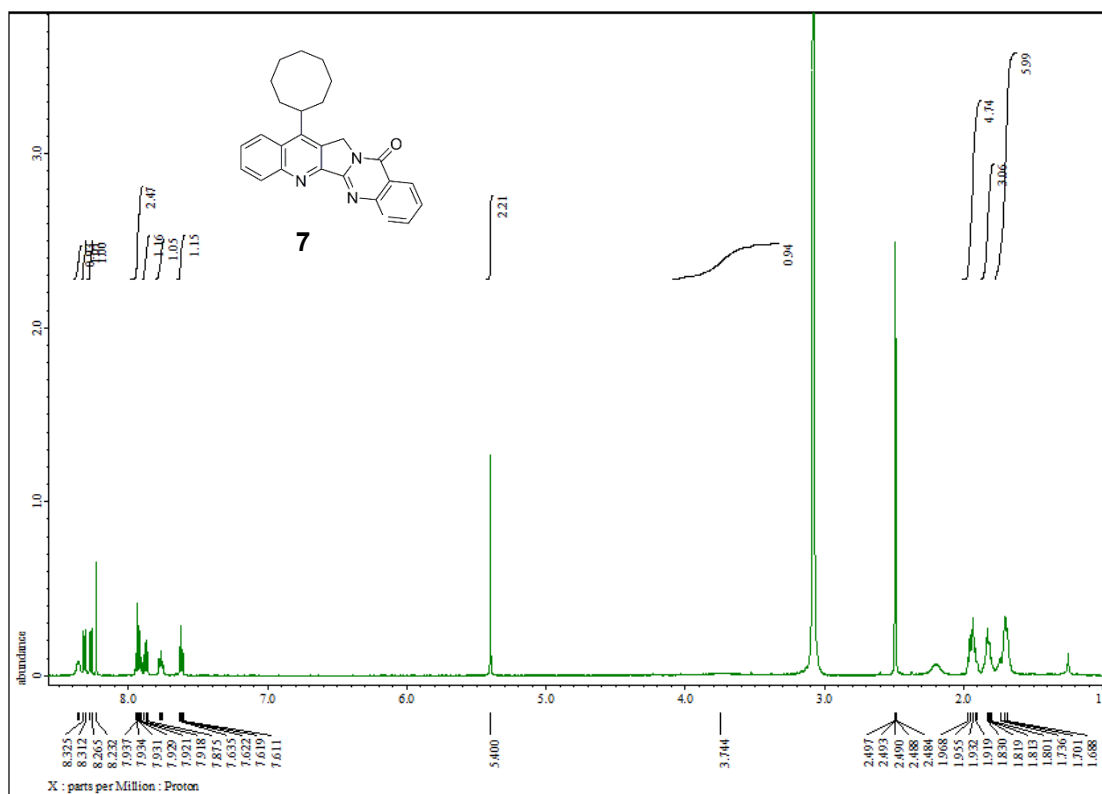
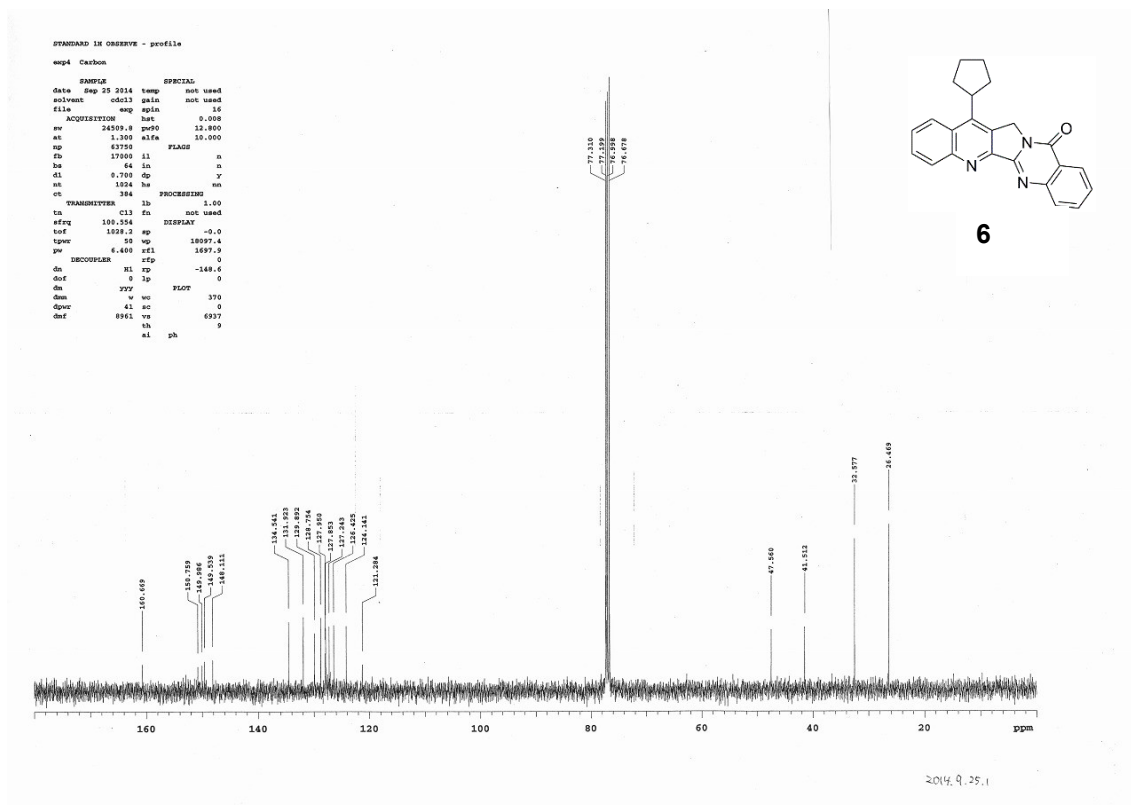


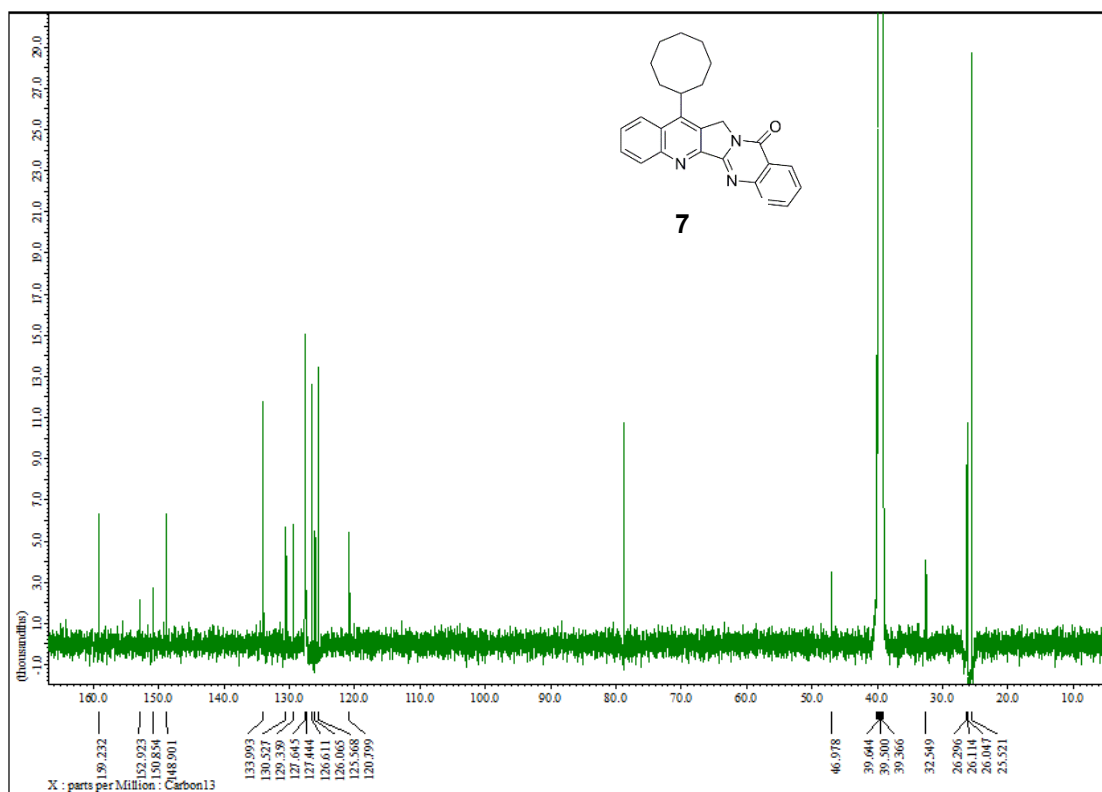


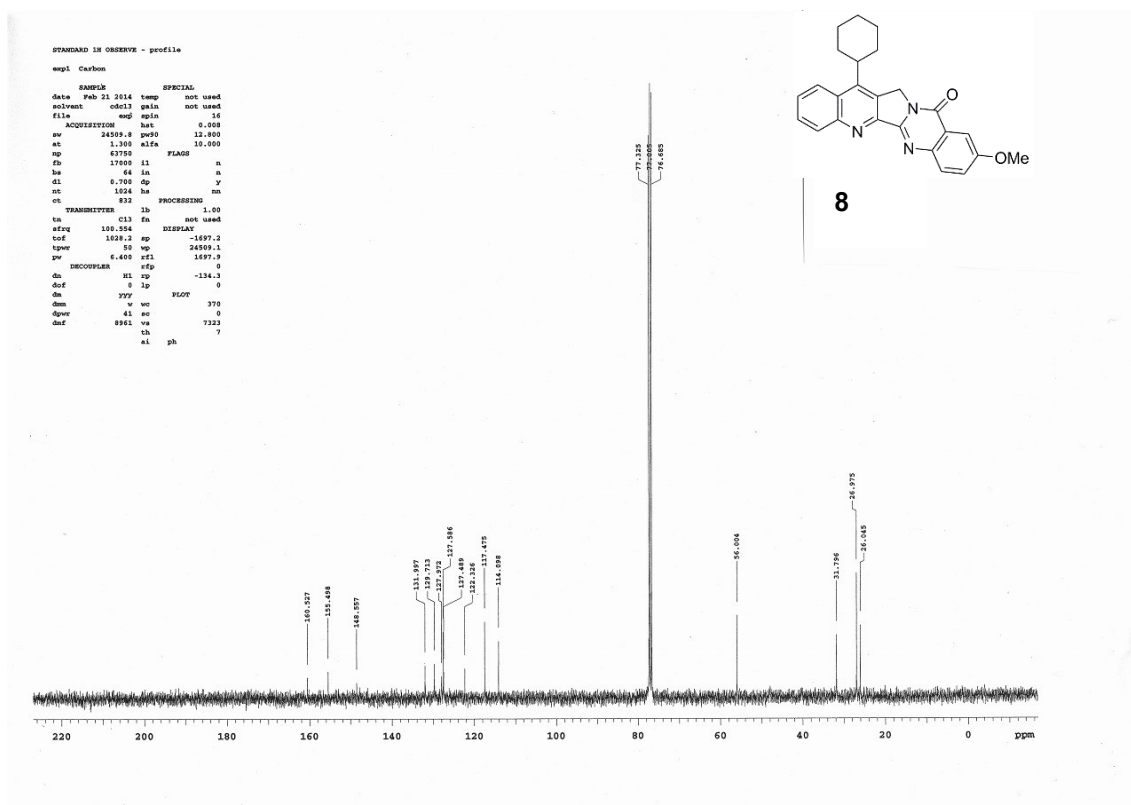
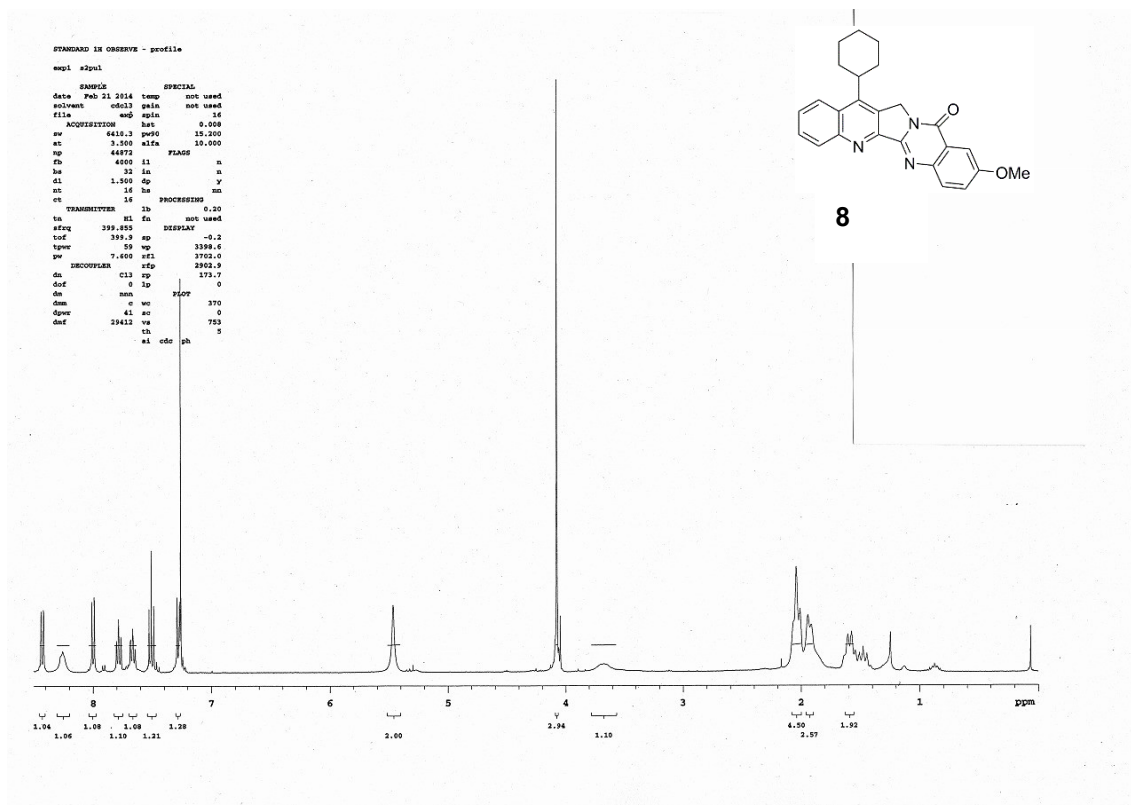


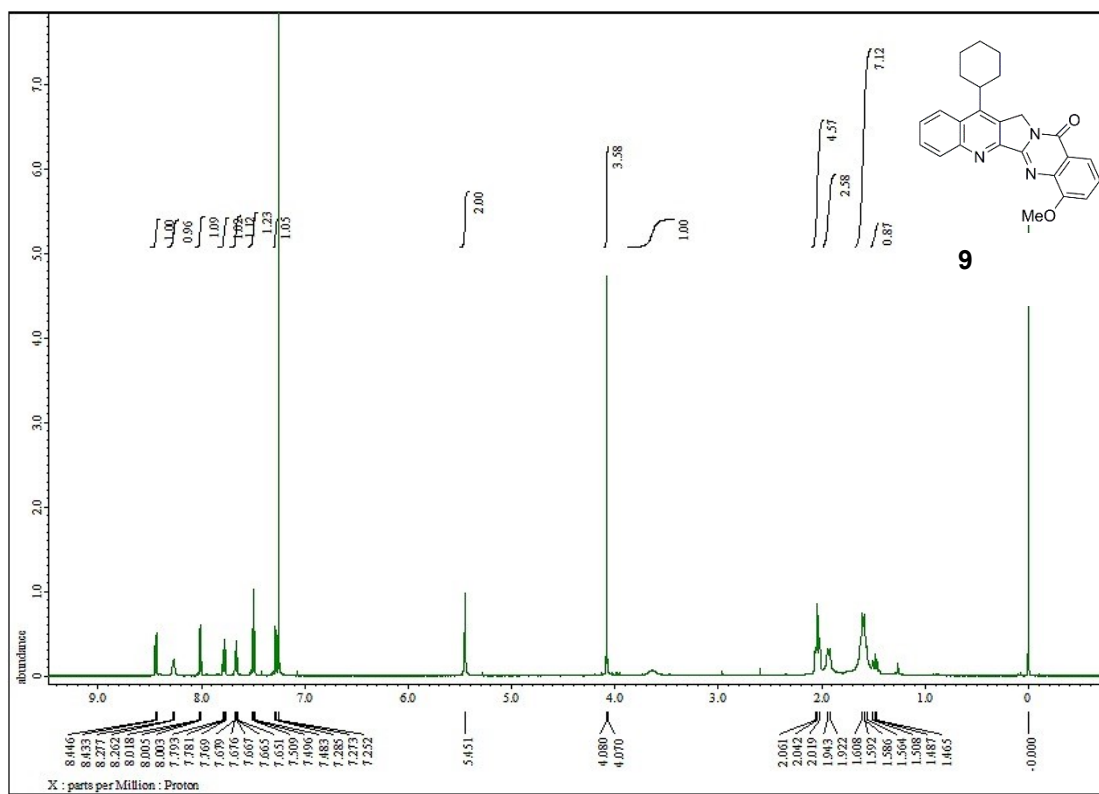


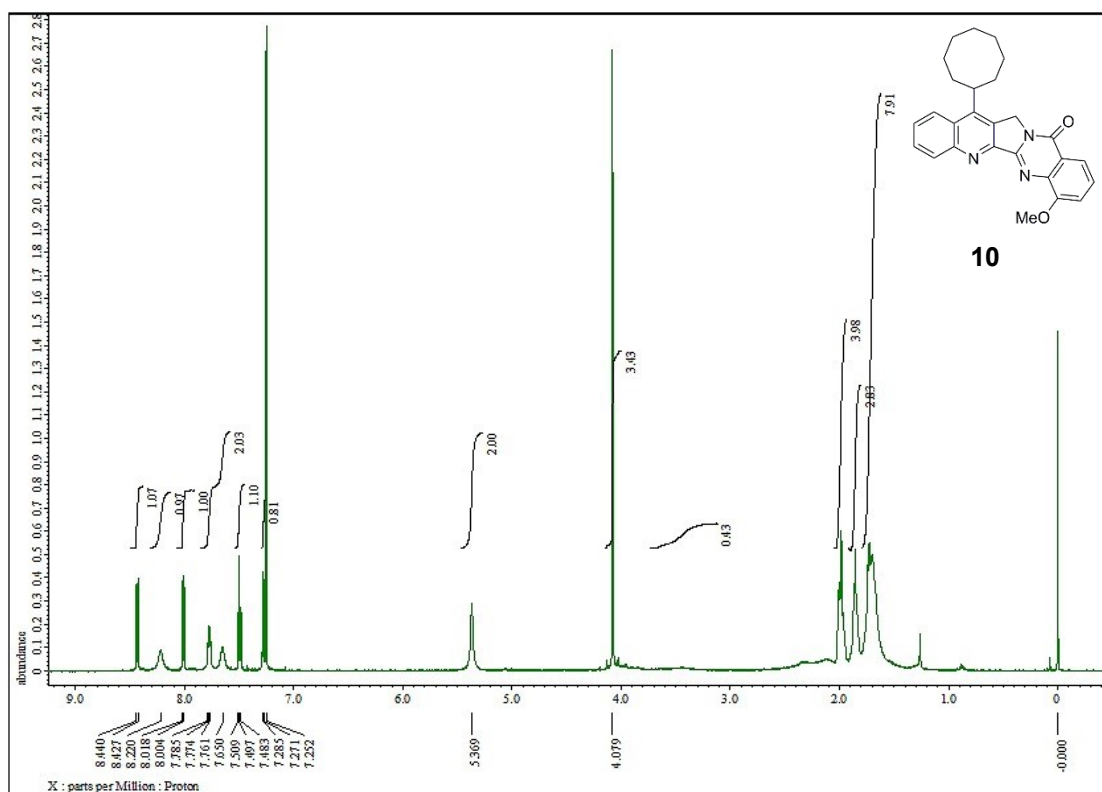
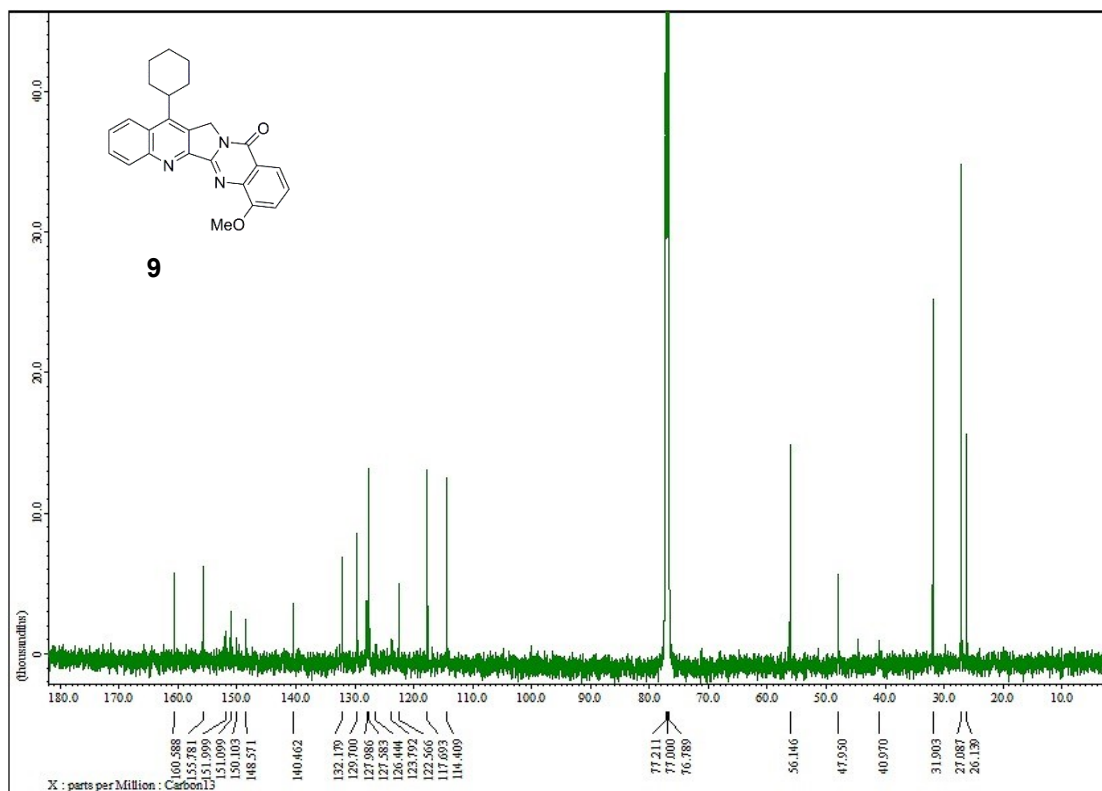


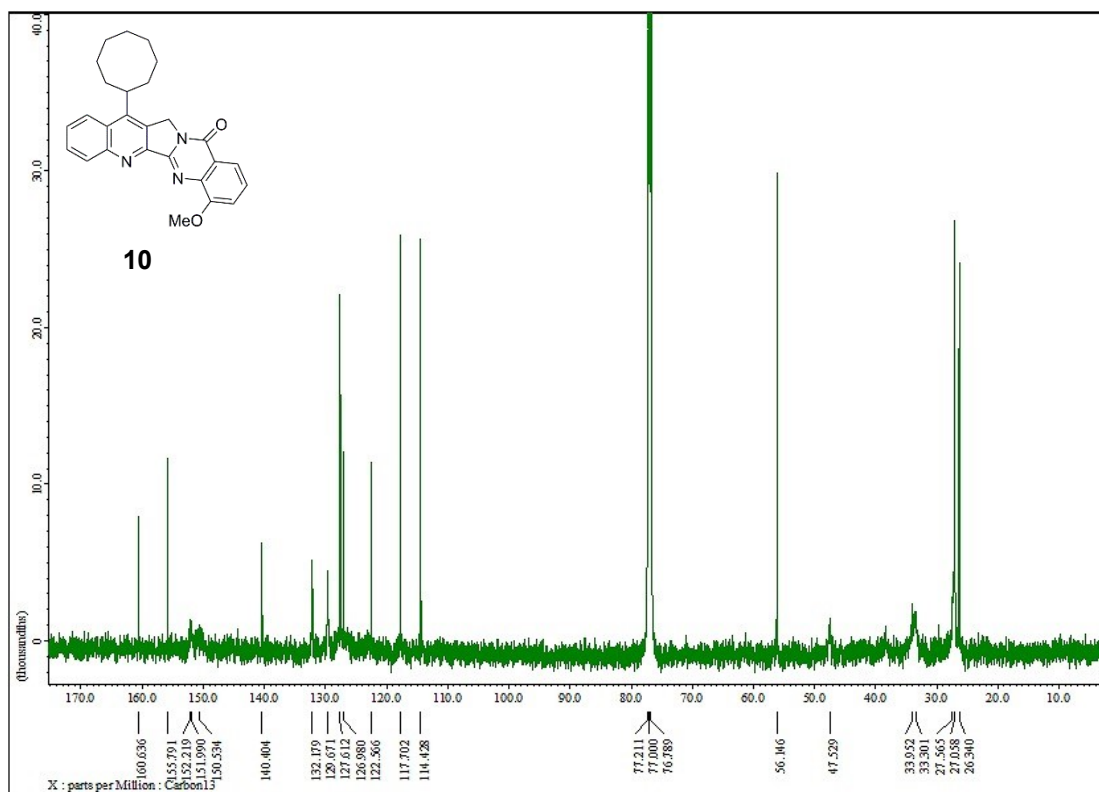


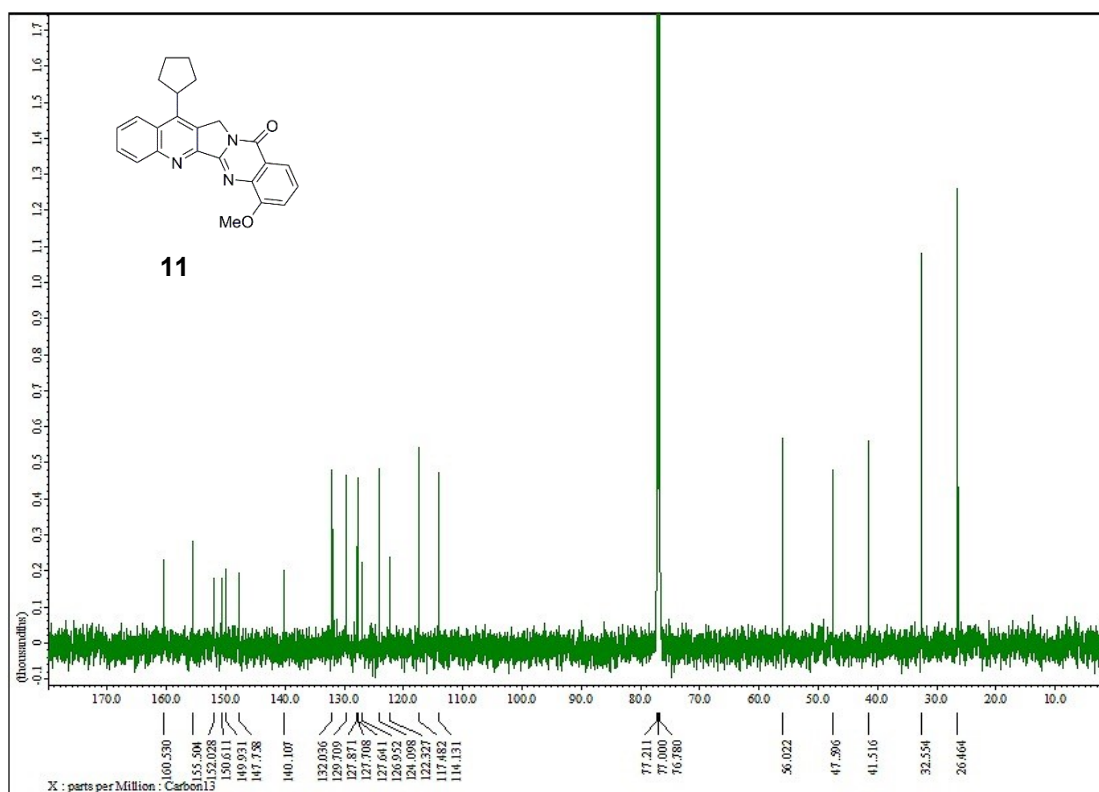
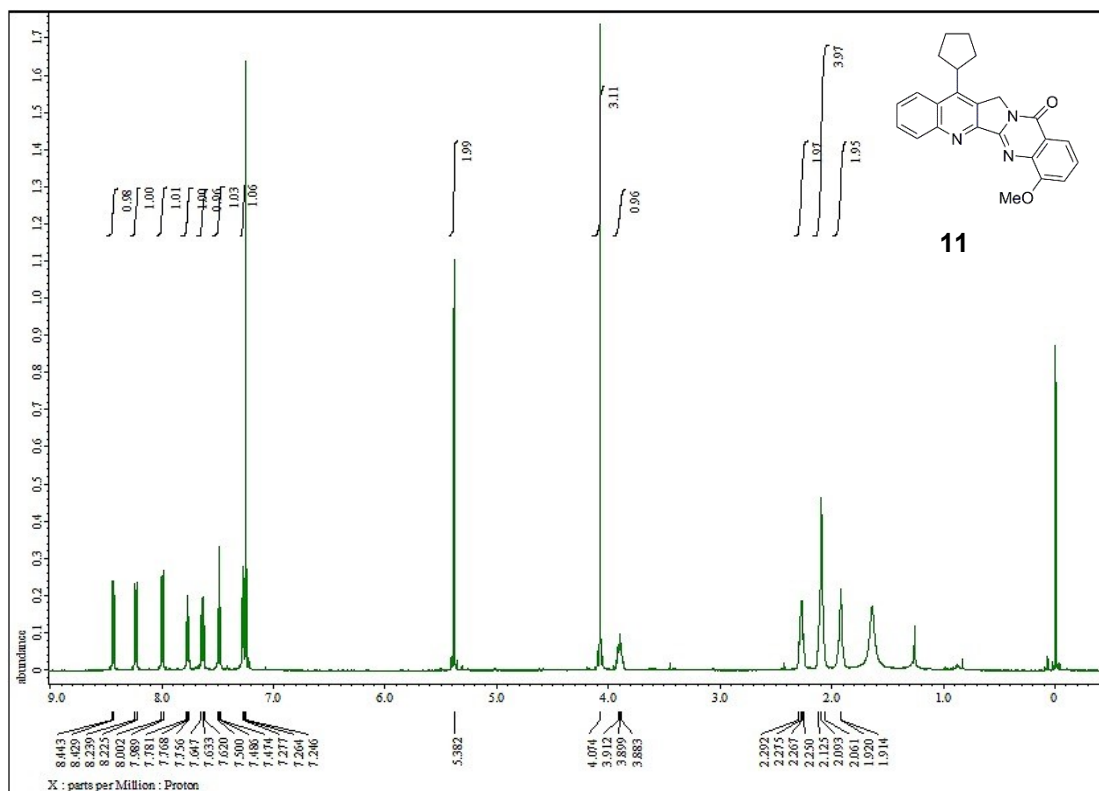


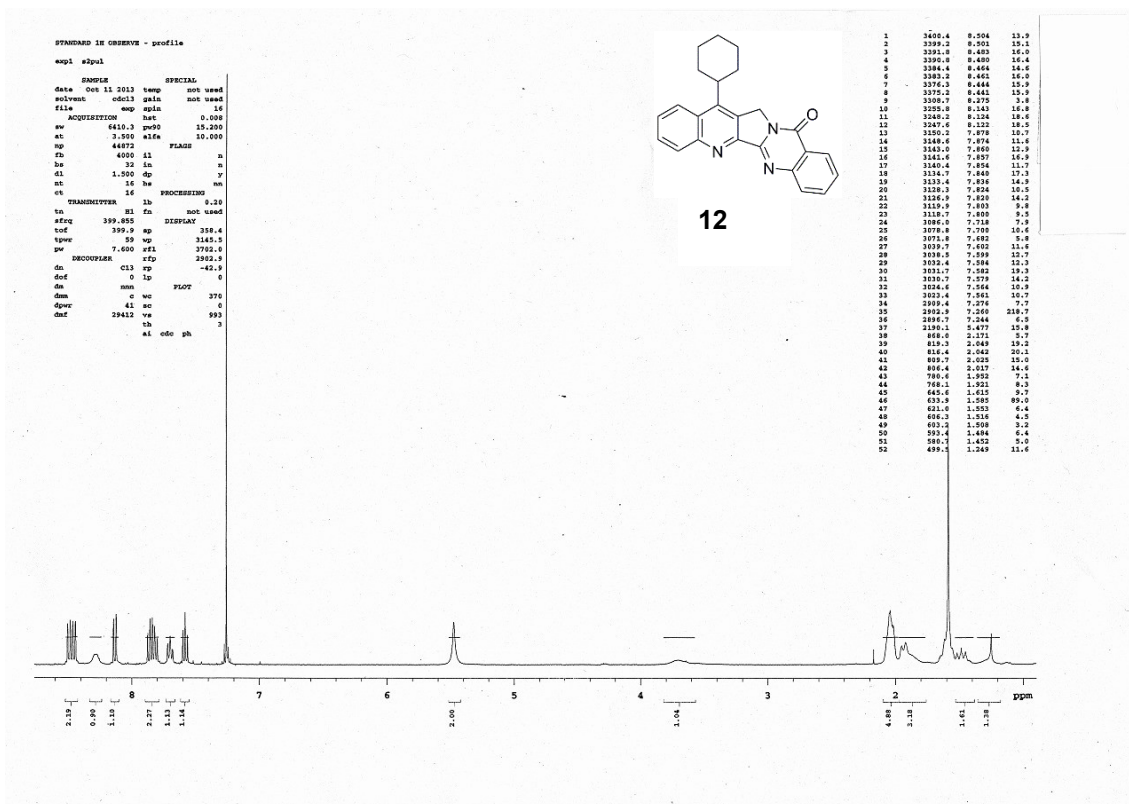


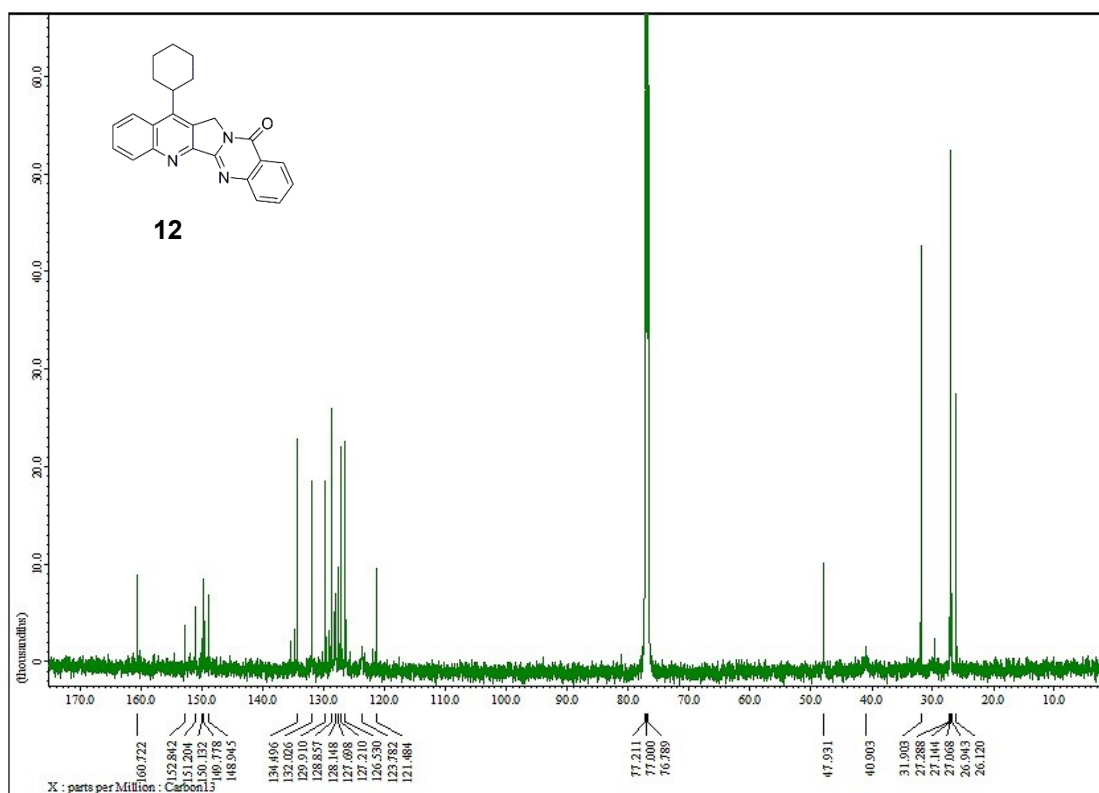












Cell proliferation assay (Typical procedure)

Daudi cancer cell culture containing 0.2% DMSO solution of the synthetic compound **3** (1 μ M and 10 μ M, respectively, at the final concentration) was incubated at 37 °C for 3 days. After addition of WST-8 reagent, it was incubated for an additional 4 h. The absorbance of the sample container was measured at 450-600 nm.

footnote

DMSO (-) in the graph is the culture which does not contain DMSO and the synthetic compound. Additionally, 0.2% DMSO in the graph means the culture which contains only DMSO.

Cytotoxicity Test

