

Magnetically recyclable Cu-BTC@Fe₃O₄-catalyzed synthesis of cyano functionalized chroman-4-ones

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General Experimental

Unless otherwise noted, all chemicals were purchased from commercial suppliers (Aladdin) and used without further purification. ¹H and ¹³C NMR were recorded in CDCl₃ at ambient temperature on a 500 MHz NMR spectrometer. Column chromatography was performed using EM Silica gel 60 (300-400 mesh). Substrates **1** were prepared according to the literature.^{S1-S4}

Preparation of Cu-BTC@Fe₃O₄ composite

Cu-BTC@Fe₃O₄ was prepared through a secondary growth strategy according to the literature.^{S5} PVP (0.2 g, 0.005 mmol) and Cu(OAc)₂·H₂O (0.1 g, 0.5 mmol) were uniformly dissolved in a mixed solution of EtOH/H₂O (2:1, 90 ml) in a 150 mL round-bottom flask under mechanical stirring (600 rpm). Then 0.2 g carboxyl functionalized Fe₃O₄ was gradually added to the mixed solution with high-speed mechanical stirring of 900 rpm and kept for 10 min. The reaction system was stirred for another 12 h upon the addition of trimesic acid (0.3 g, 1.428 mmol) and Cu(OAc)₂·H₂O (0.1 g, 0.5 mmol). The product was obtained by centrifugation and then washed with C₂H₅OH/H₂O (2:1, 3×20 ml) and EtOH (3×20 ml). Finally, the obtained product was dried at 60 °C under vacuum for 10 h and stored in a desiccator. This composite was fully characterized and the data was reported in our previous report.^{S5}

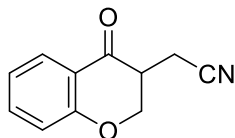
Experimental Procedures, Spectral and Analytical data

General procedure for the synthesis of 2a~o

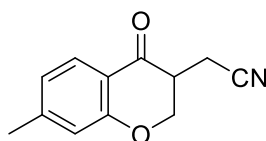
A sealed tube equipped with a magnetic stirrer bar was charged with *o*-(allyloxy)benzaldehyde **1** (0.2 mmol), TMSCN (0.4 mmol), Bu^tOOH (0.4 mmol, 70% in water), Cu-BTC@Fe₃O₄ composite (20 mg) and acetonitrile (2 ml). The reaction mixture was stirred at 80 °C overnight. After reaction, the Cu-BTC@Fe₃O₄ was recovered with an external magnet, and washed with EtOAc and water. The reaction mixture was

extracted with EtOAc (3×5 ml) and dried over Na₂SO₄. The organic phase was then concentrated under reduced pressure to give the crude product, which was further purified by column chromatography using petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8:1, v/v) as eluent to afford products **2a-o**.

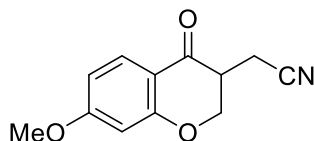
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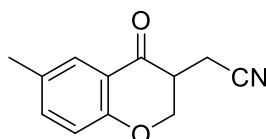
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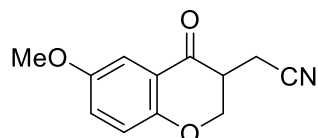
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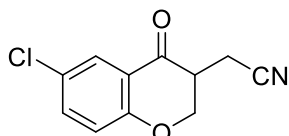
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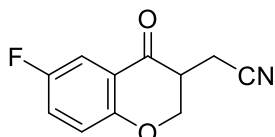
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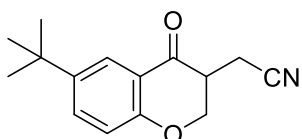
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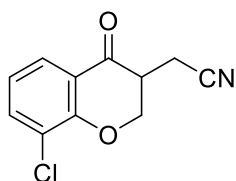
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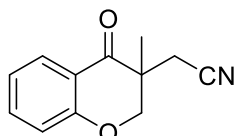
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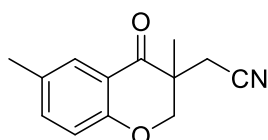
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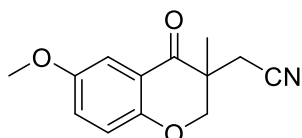
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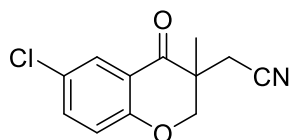
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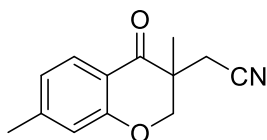
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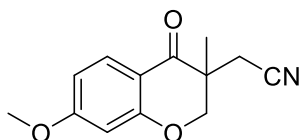
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2-(6-Chloro-3-methyl-4-oxochroman-3-yl)acetonitrile 2m.^{S5} Colorless oil. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.87 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (dd, *J* = 8.9, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 7.01 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 4.38 (q, *J* = 11.7 Hz, 2H), 2.71 (dd, *J* = 46.4, 17.1 Hz, 2H), 1.41 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.2, 159.4, 136.5, 127.9, 127.2, 119.7, 119.5, 116.2, 73.9, 43.0, 22.1, 18.4.



2-(3,7-Dimethyl-4-oxochroman-3-yl)acetonitrile 2n.^{S5} Colorless oil. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.79 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.90 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 6.83 (s, 1H), 4.40 – 4.30 (m, 2H), 2.69 (dd, *J* = 46.8, 17.1 Hz, 2H), 2.39 (s, 3H), 1.39 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.9, 161.0, 148.4, 127.8, 123.7, 117.9, 116.5, 116.4, 73.8, 43.0, 22.2, 22.0, 18.4.



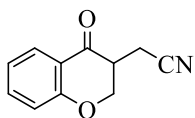
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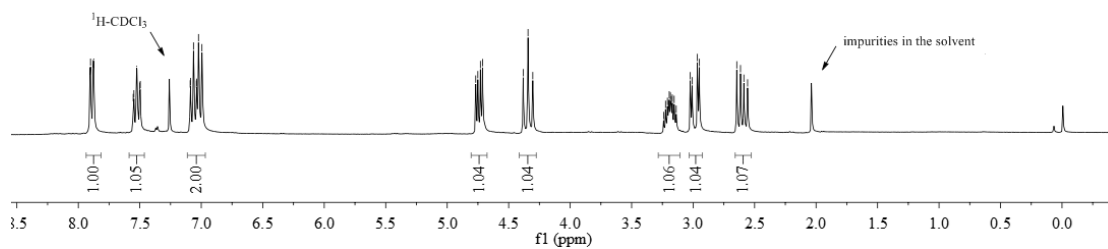
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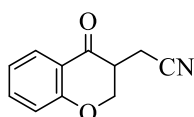
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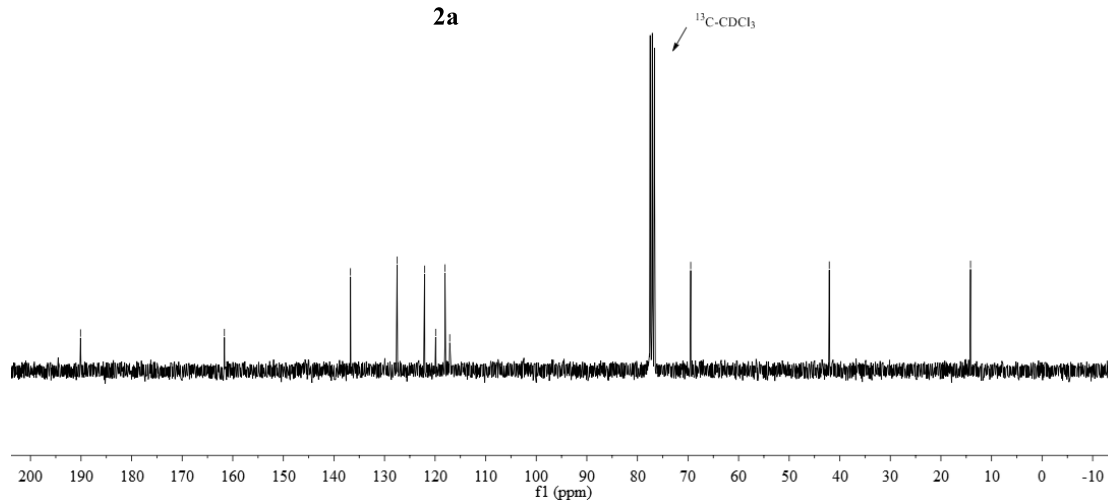
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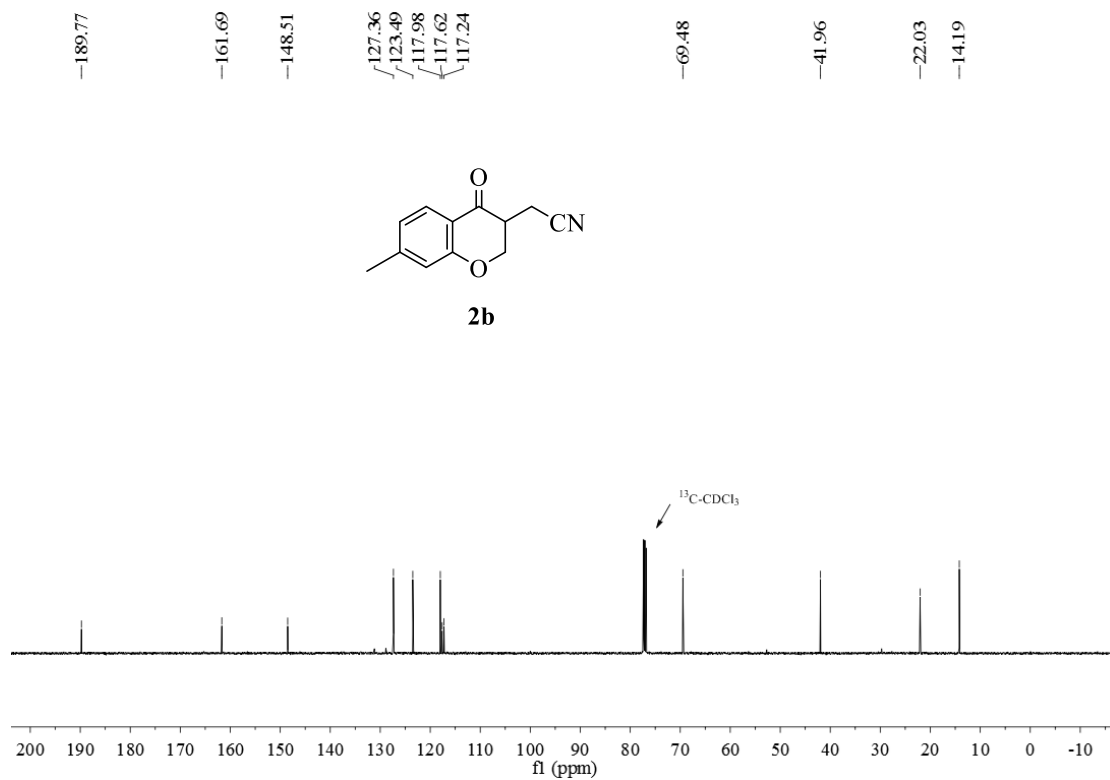
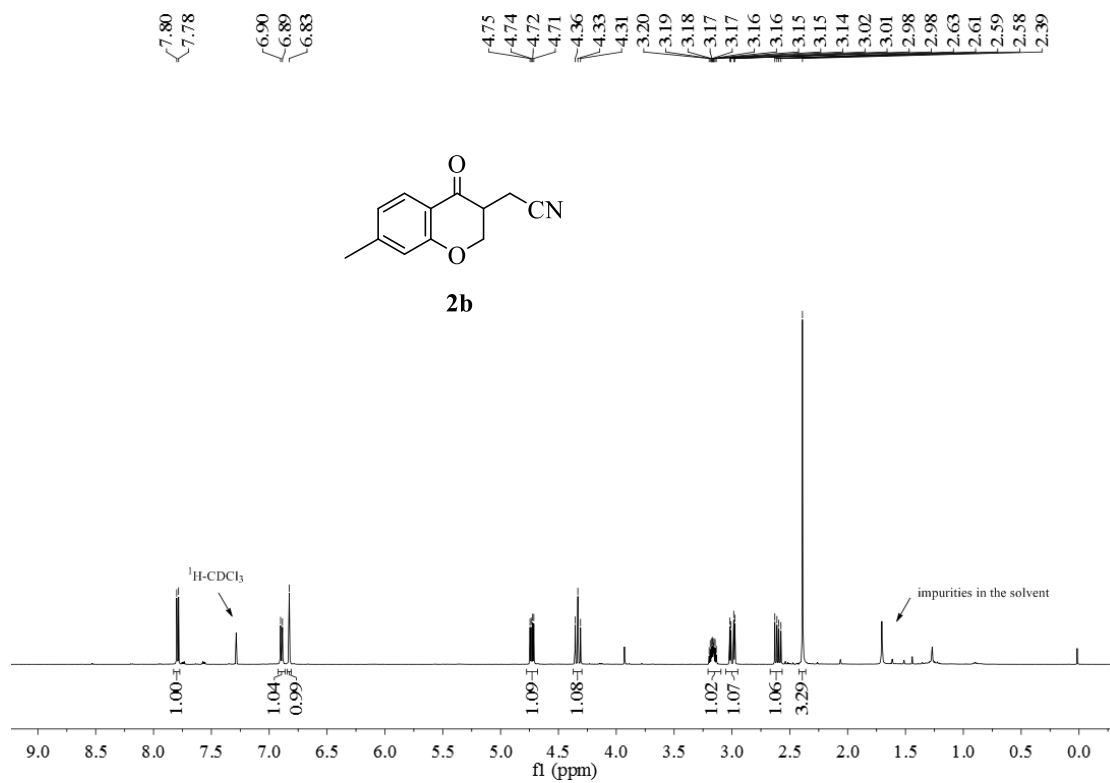


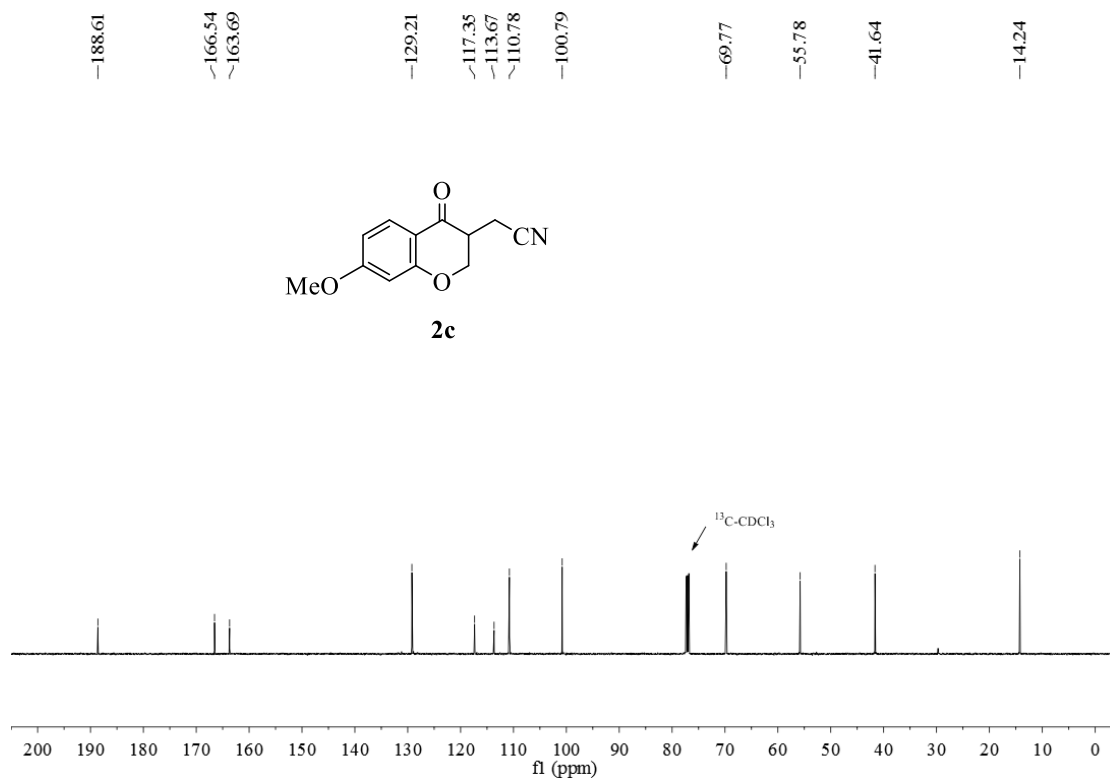
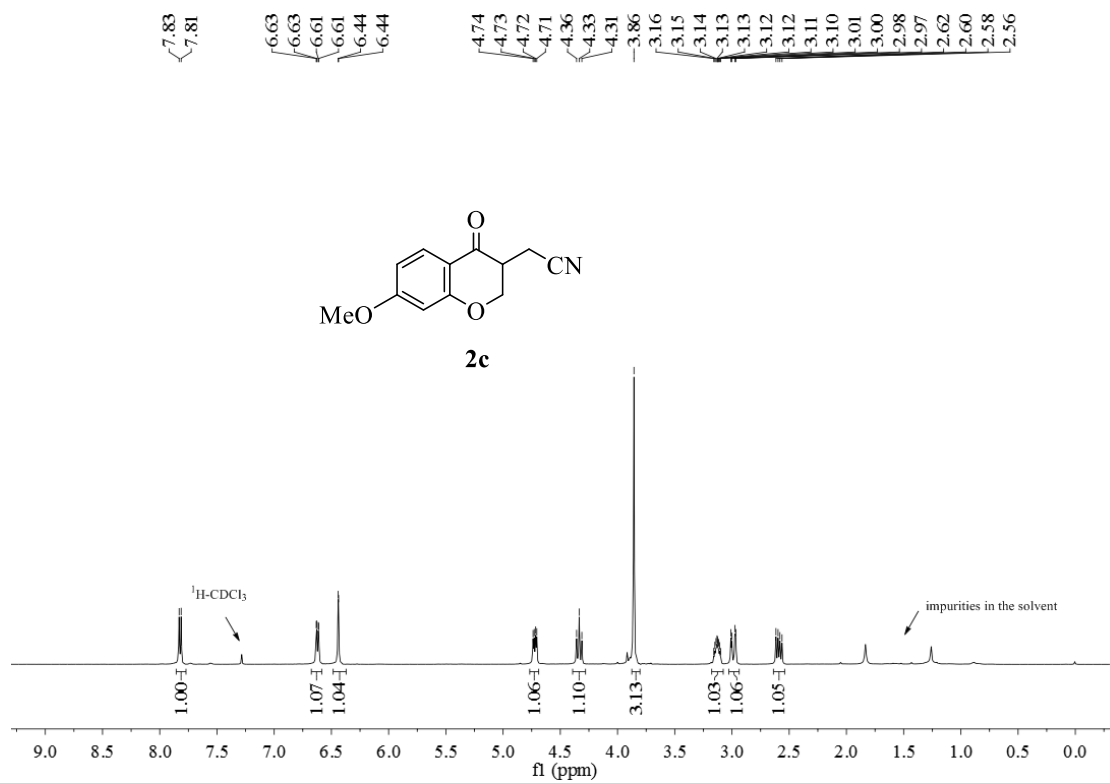
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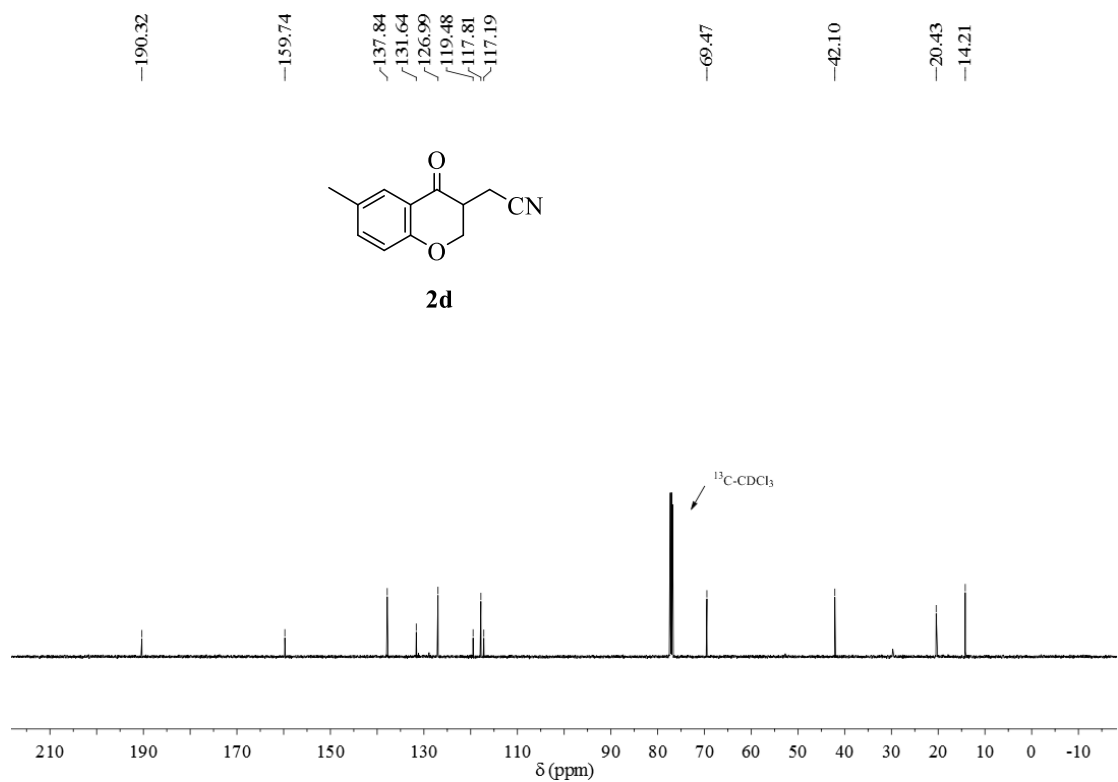
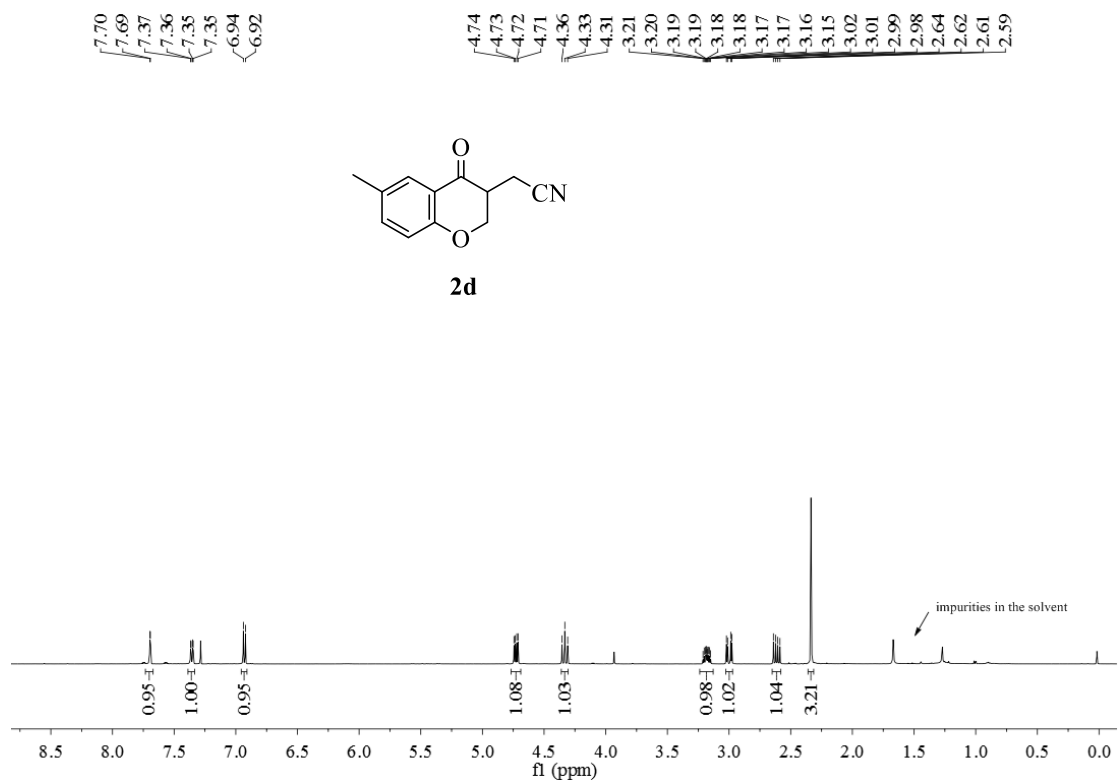


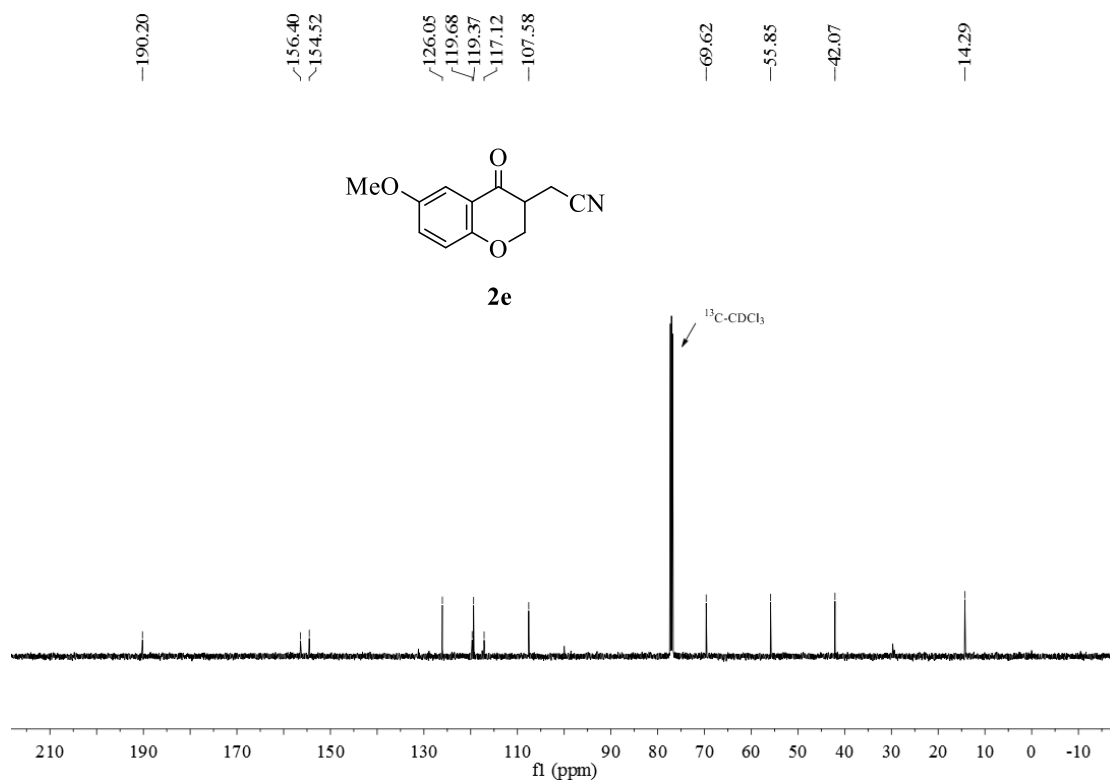
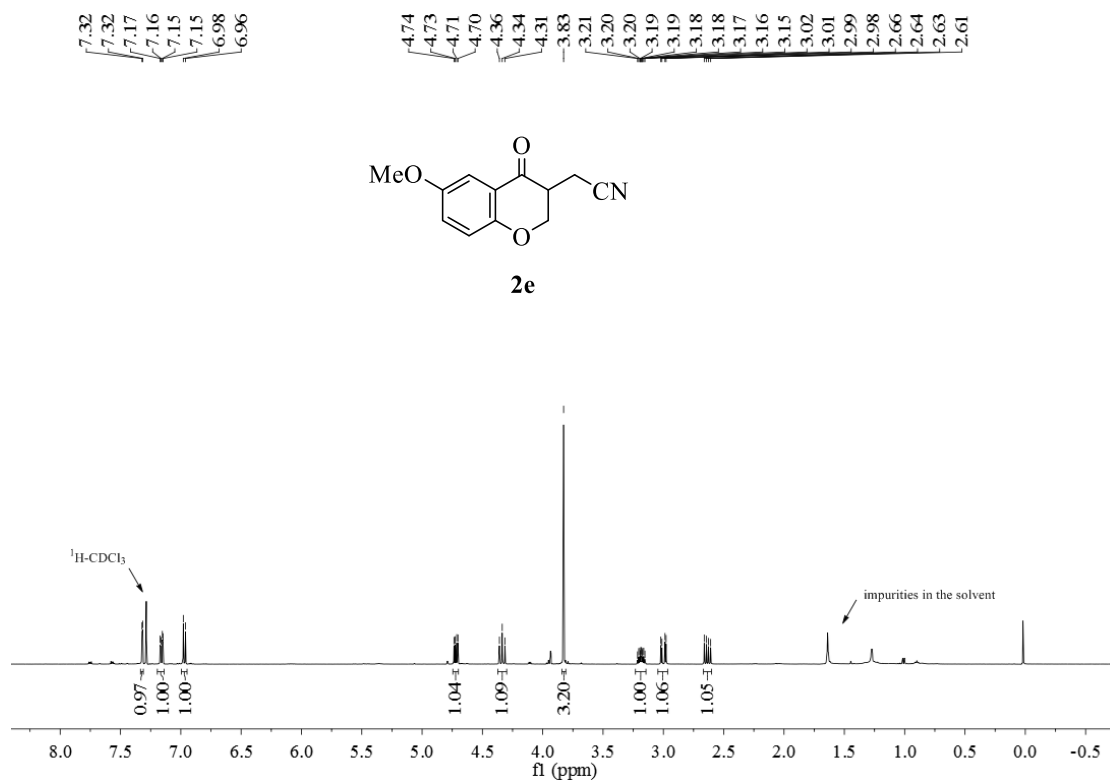
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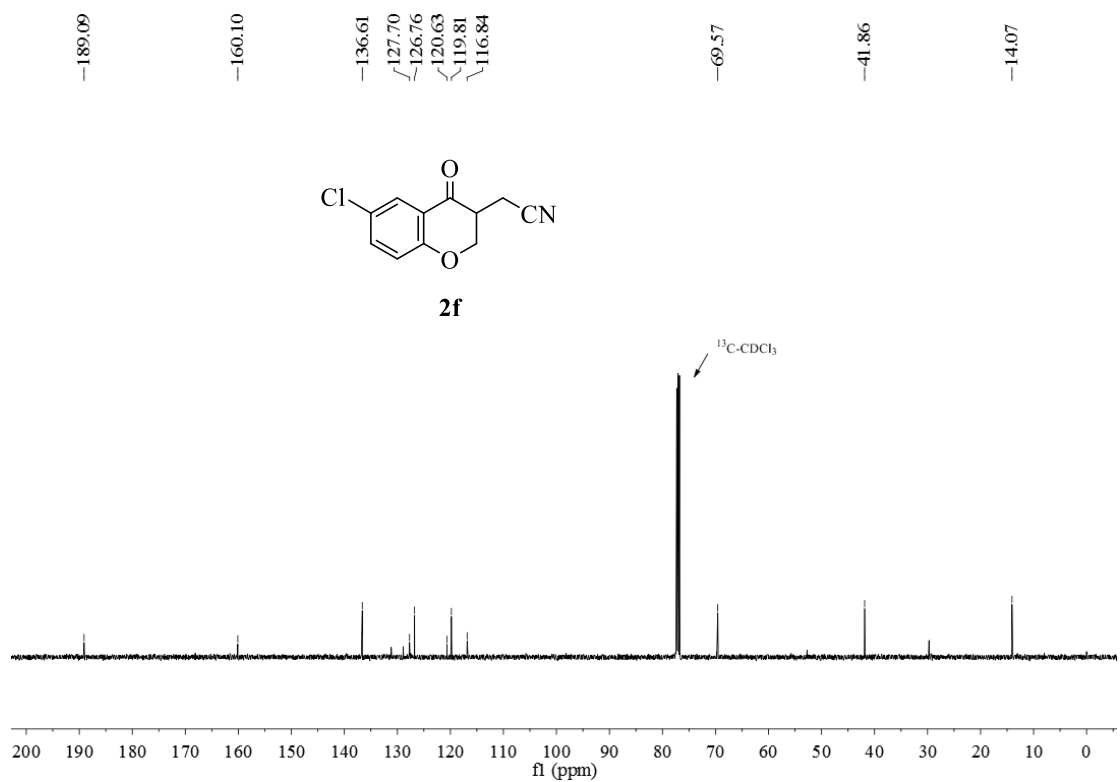
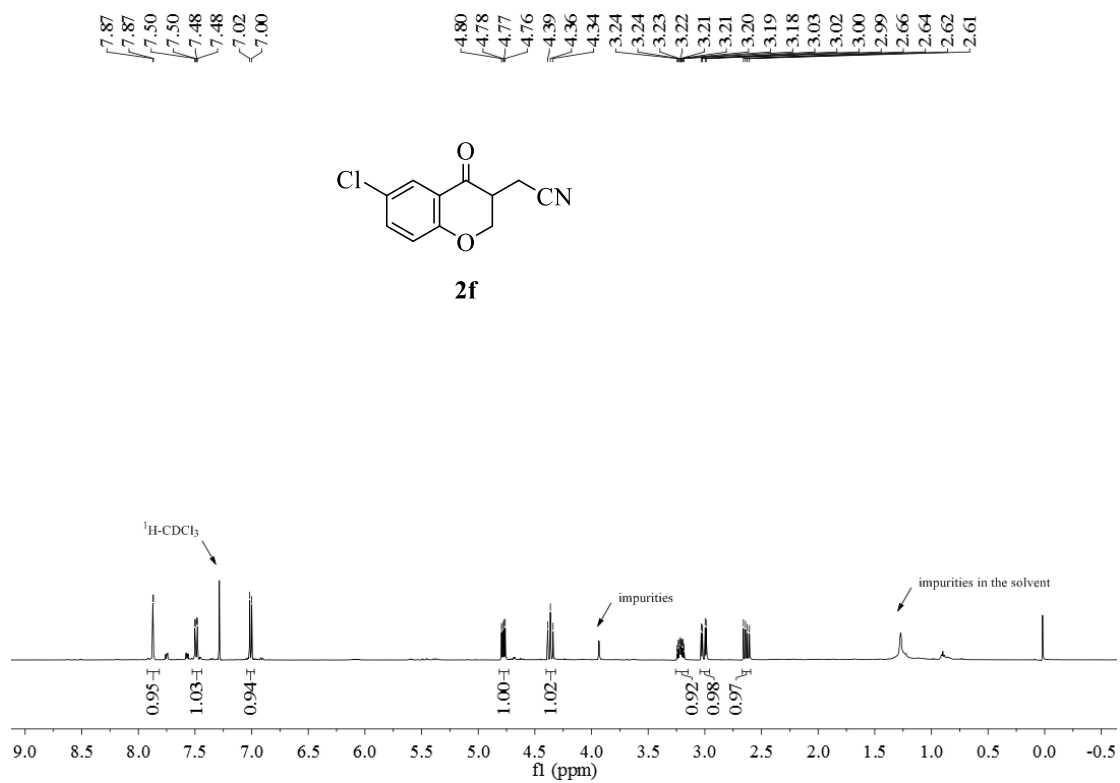


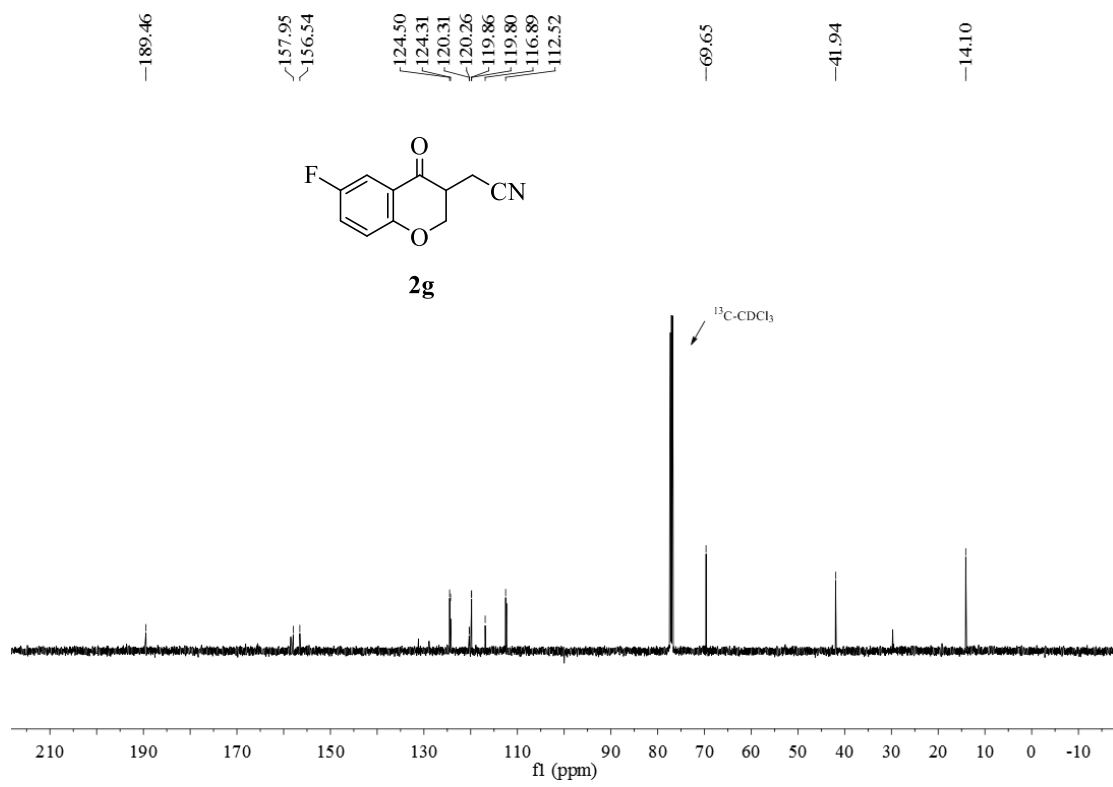
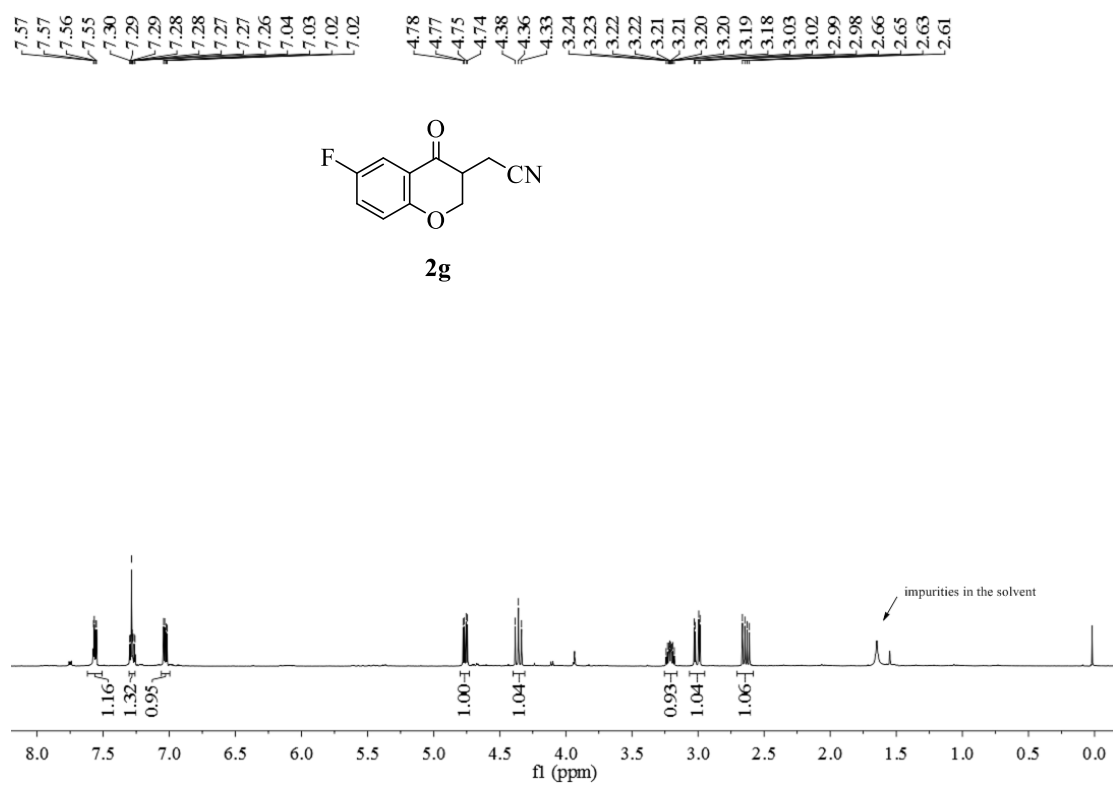


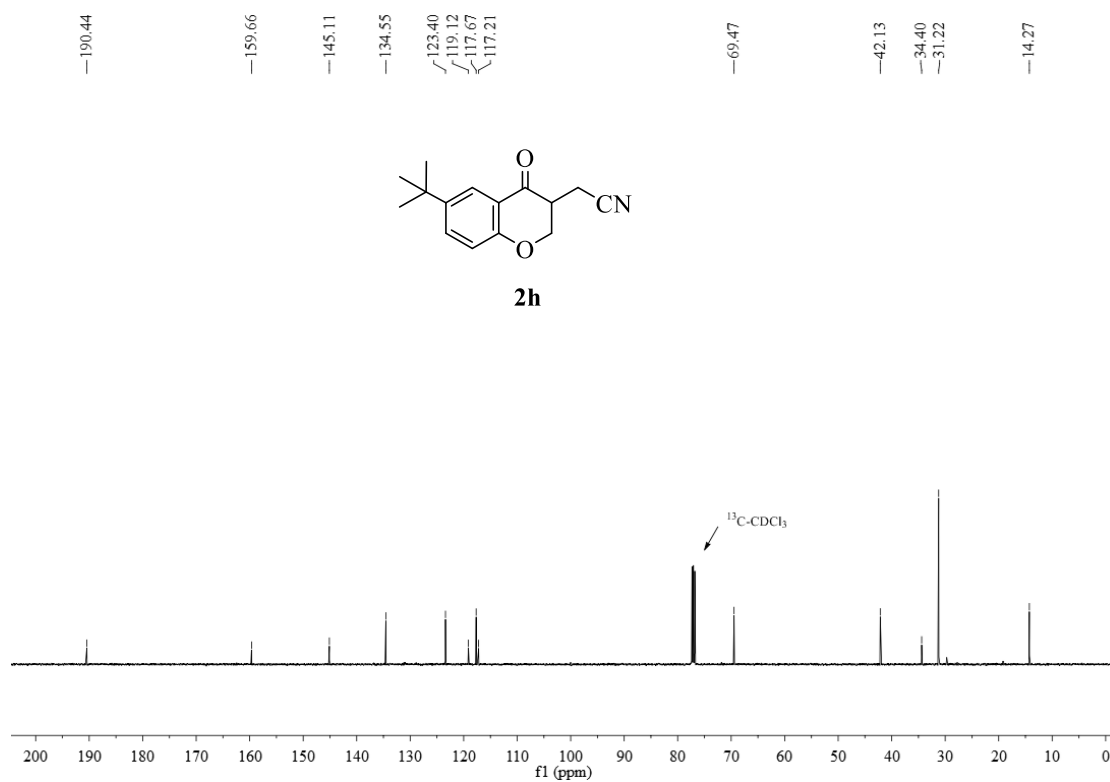
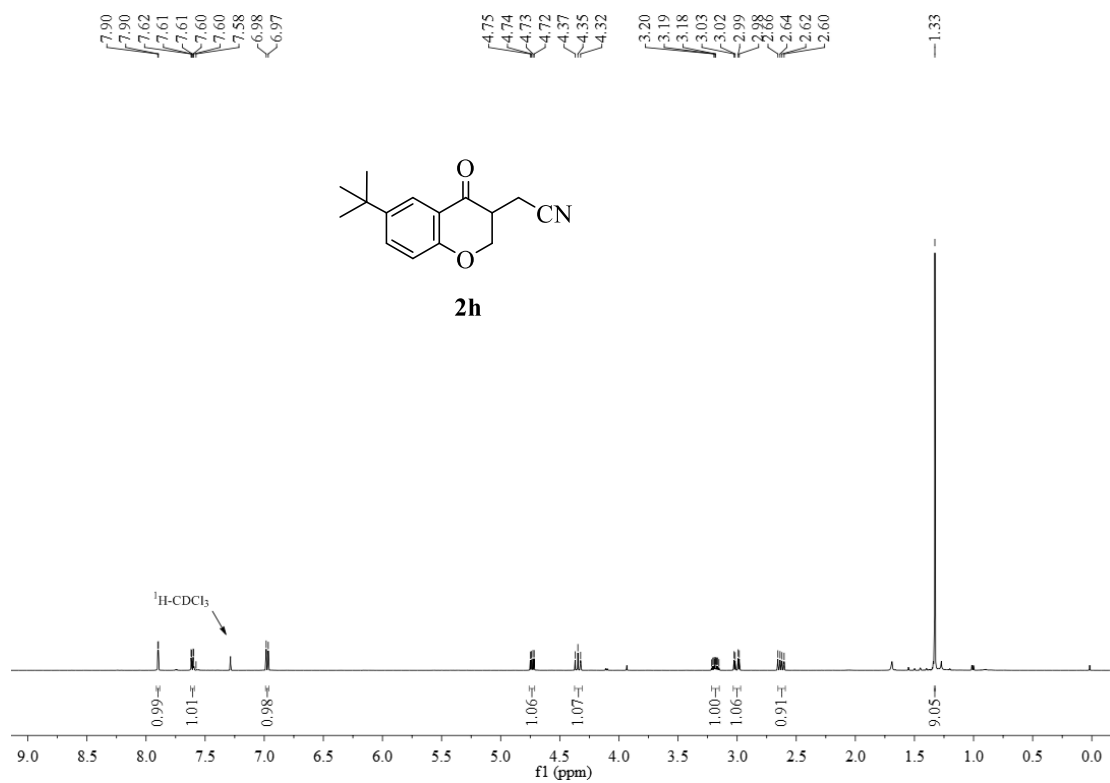


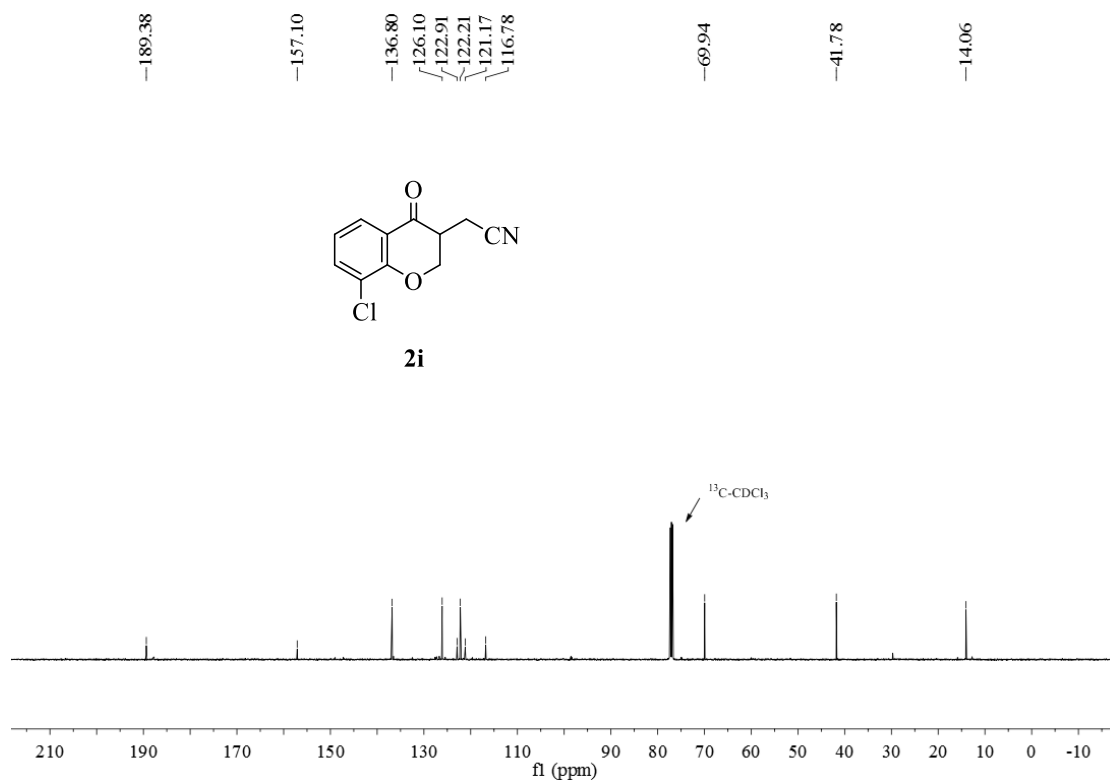
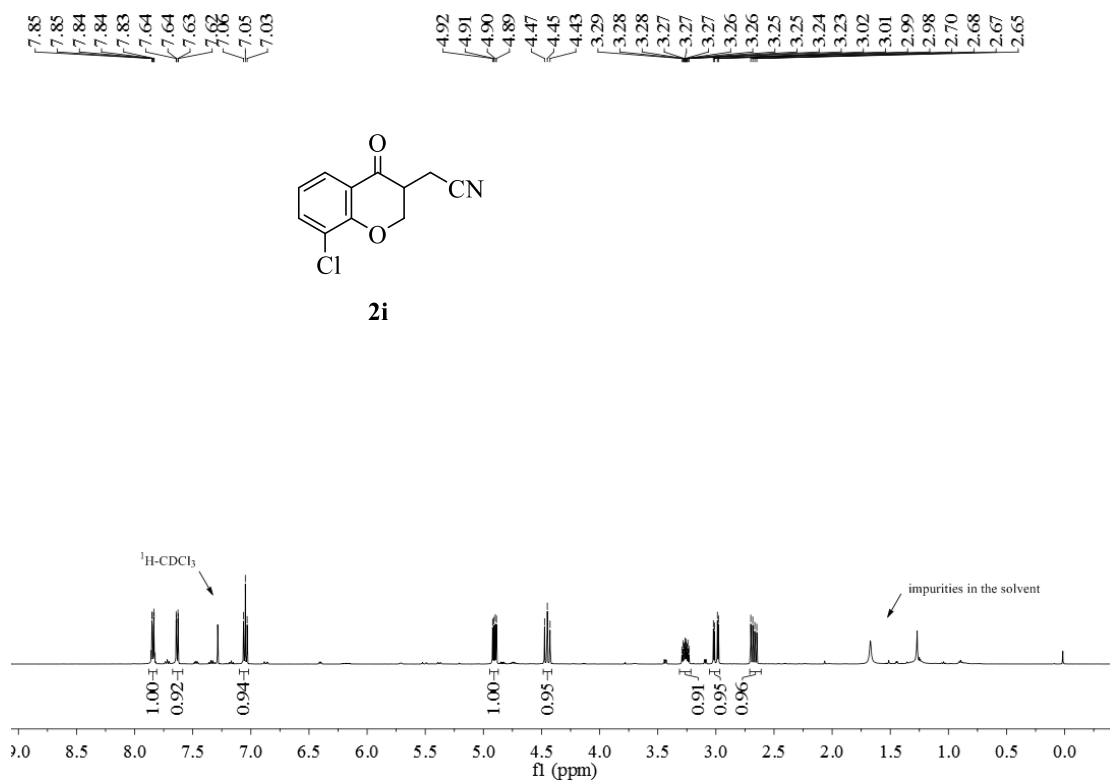


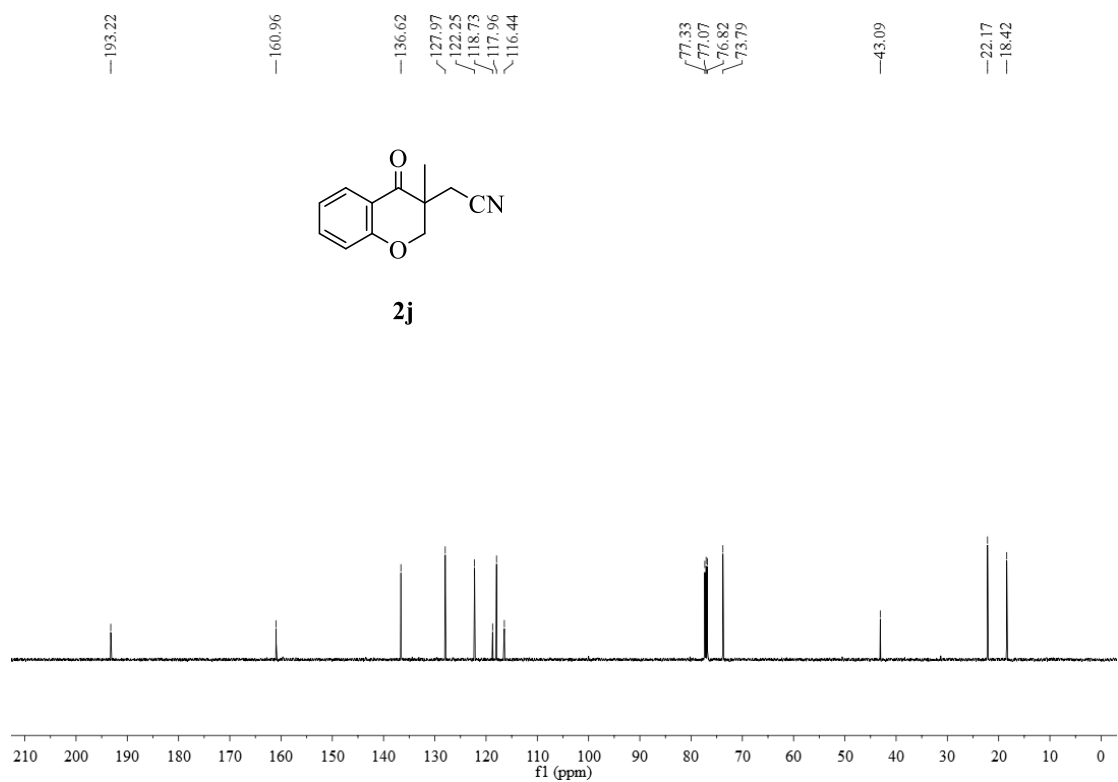
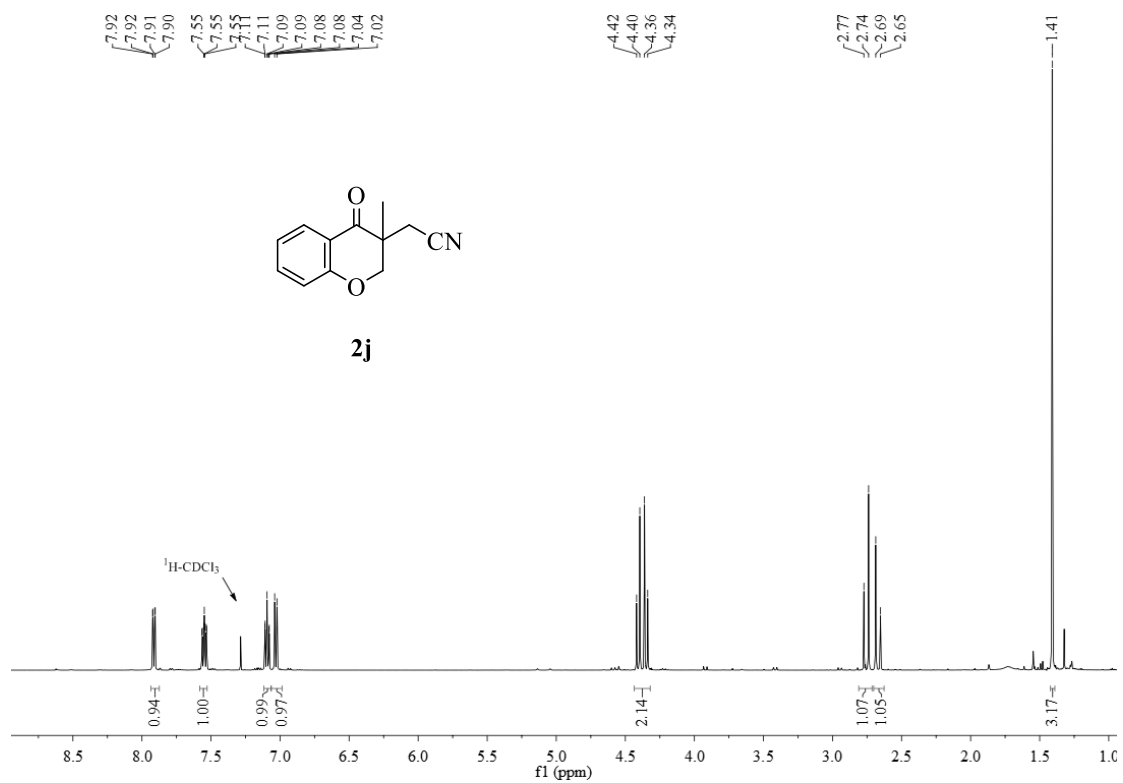


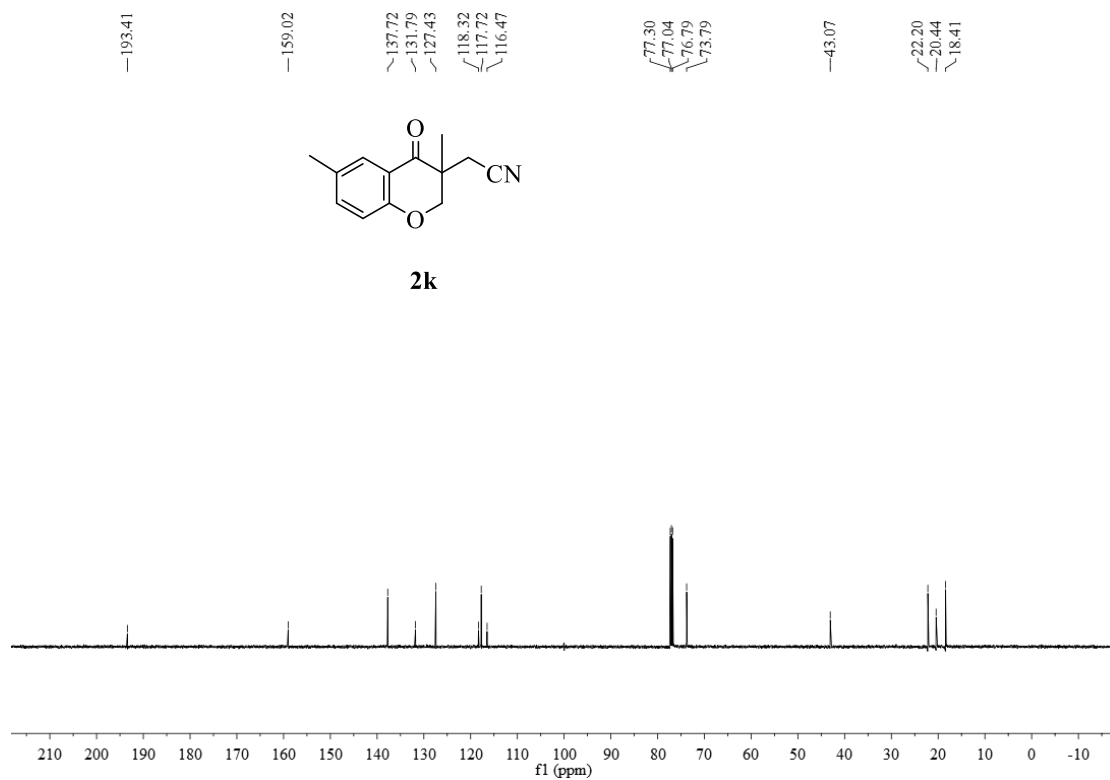
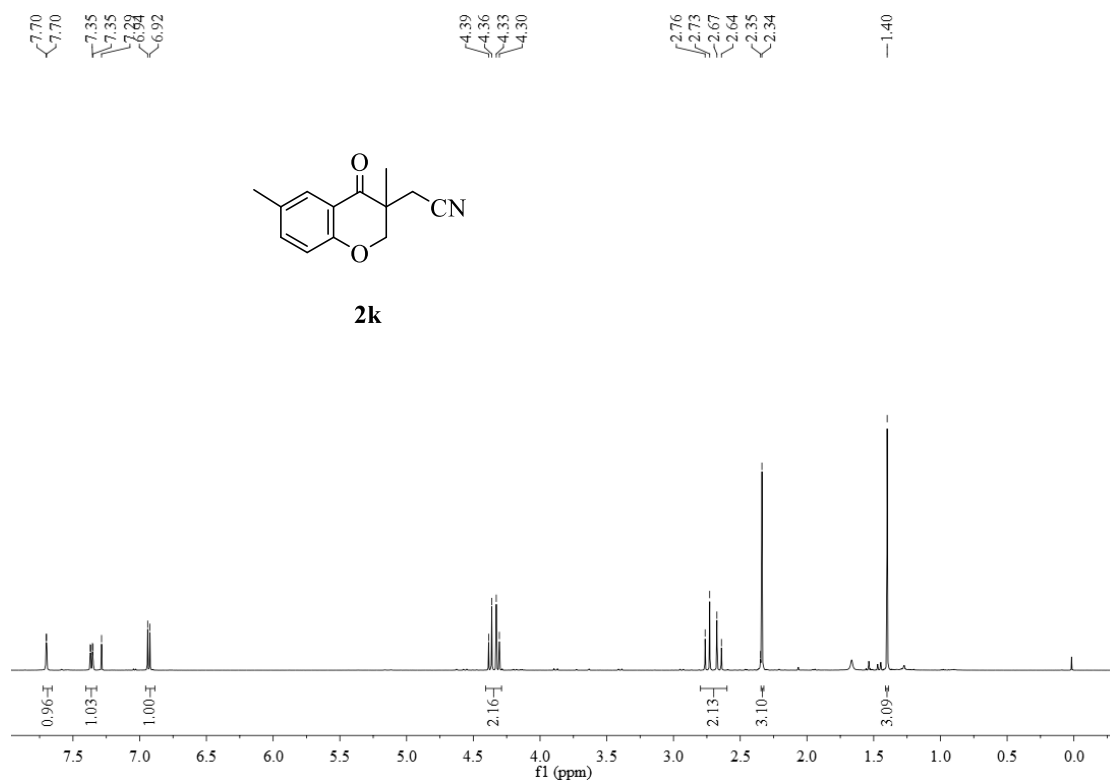


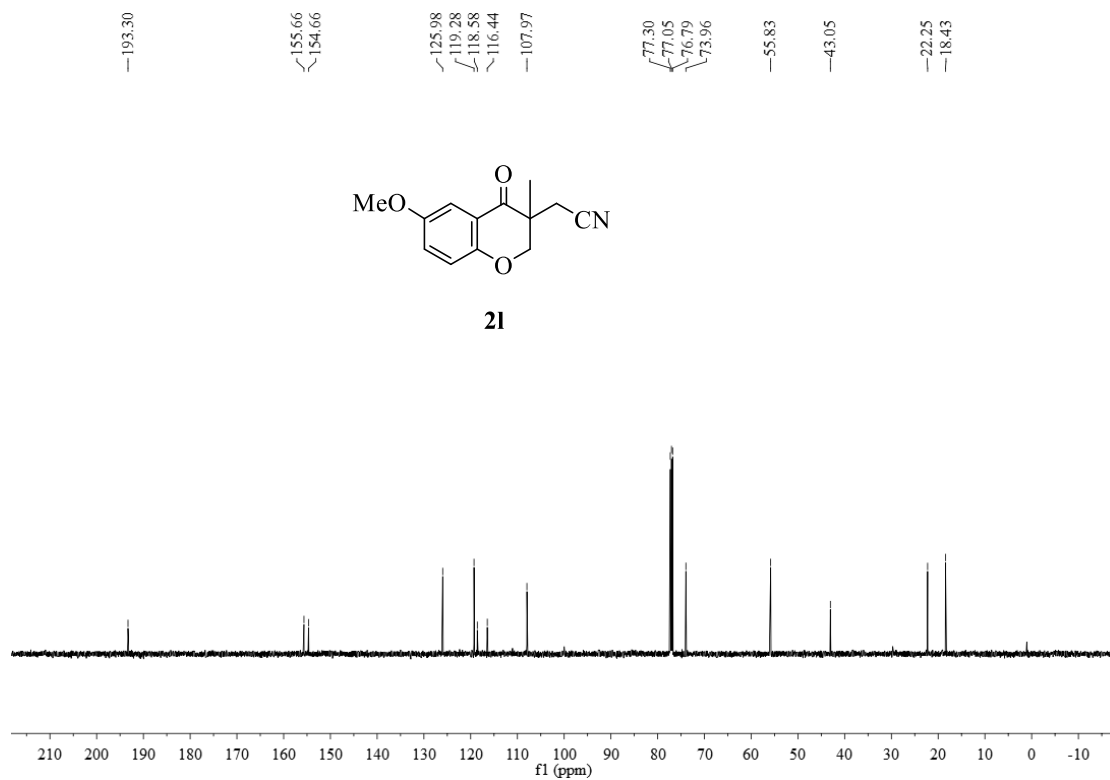
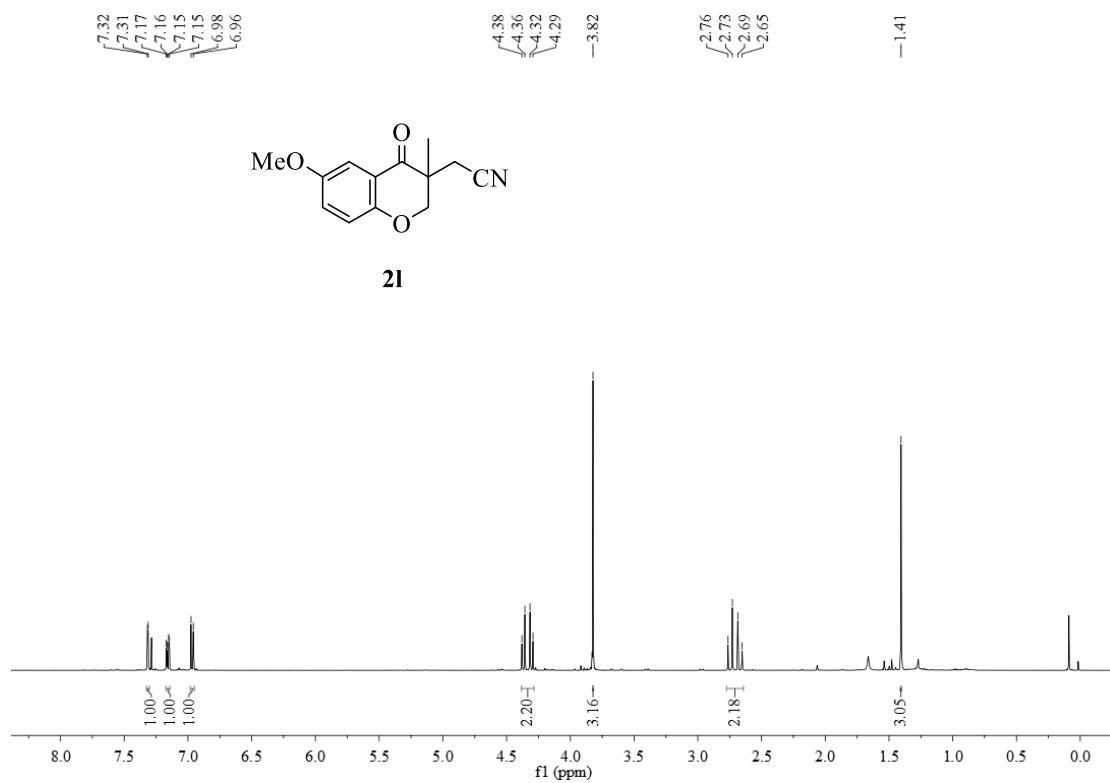


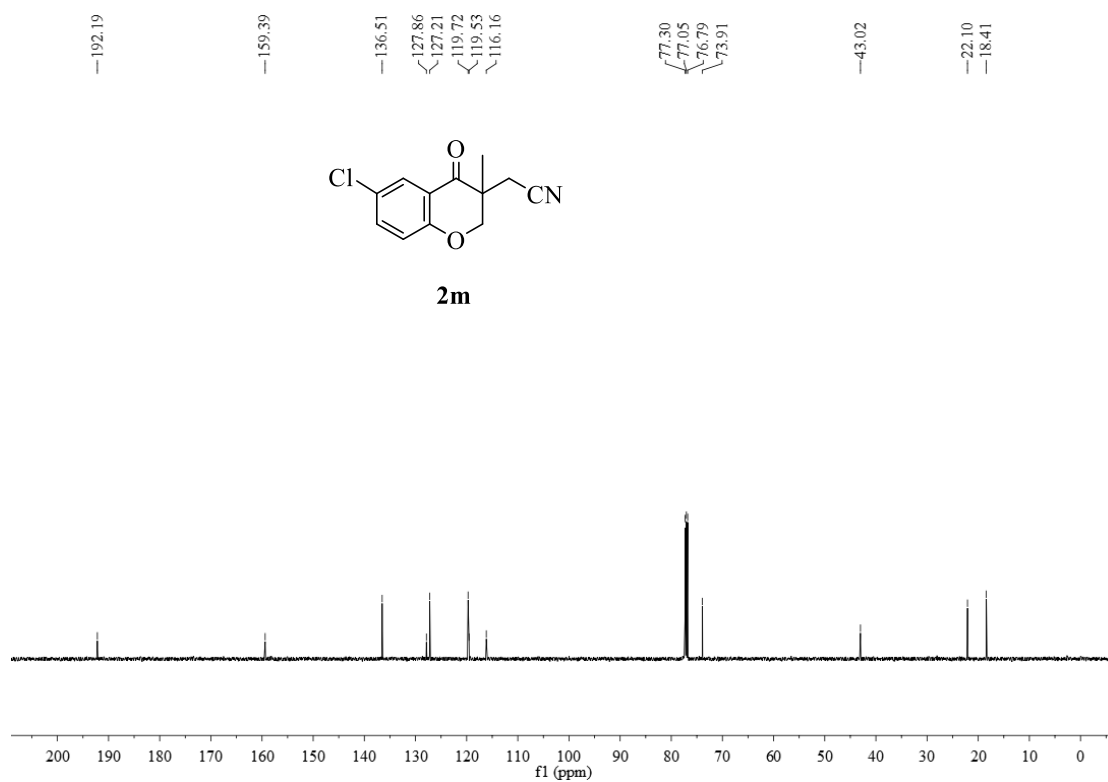
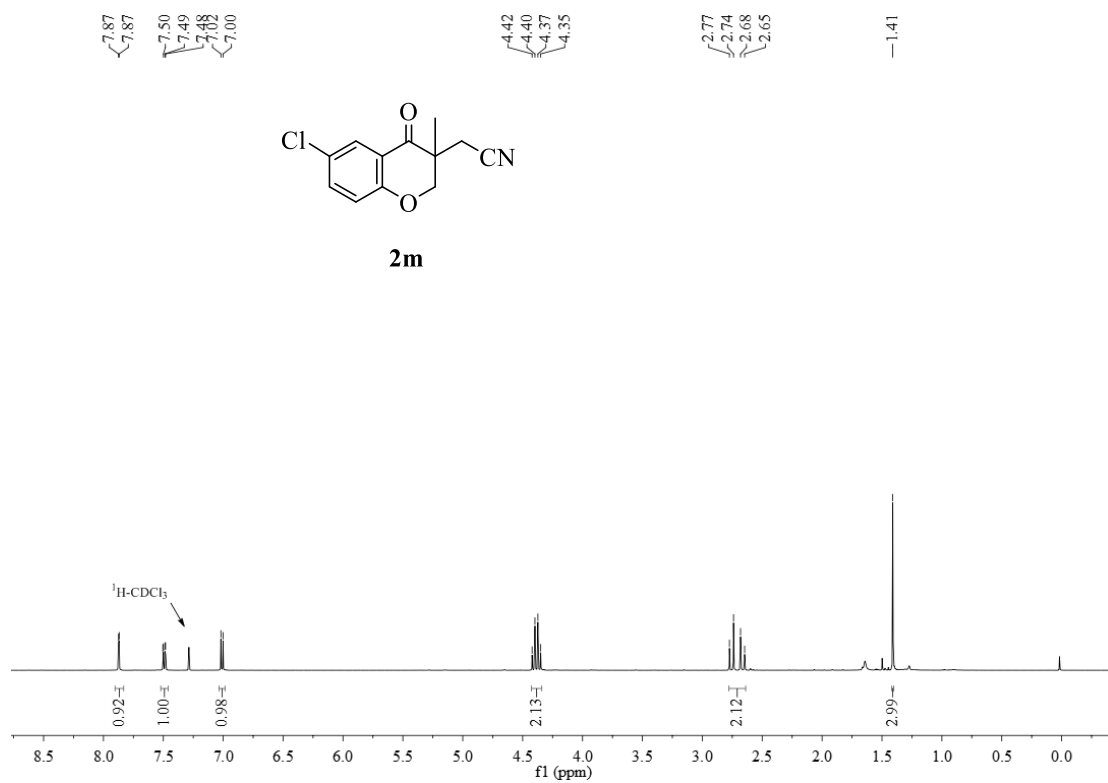




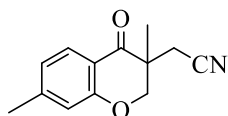




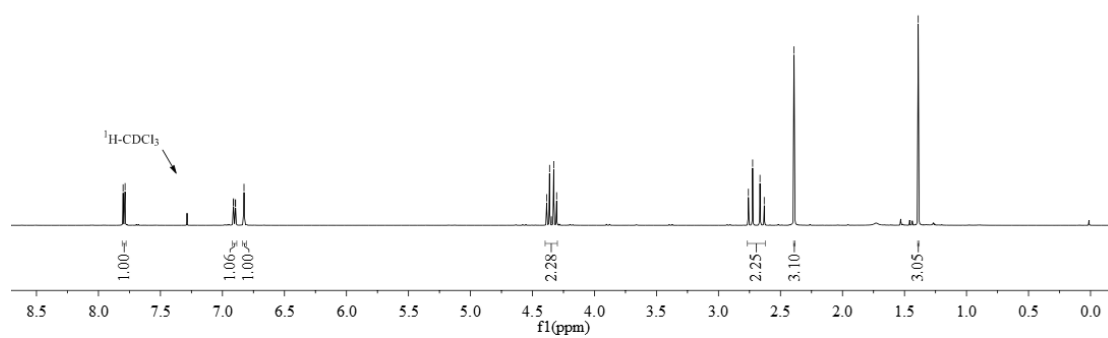




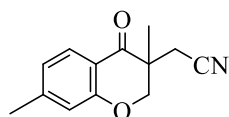
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