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# **Organocatalyzed Highly Enantioselective Michael Additions of Malonates to Enones Using Primary -Secondary Chiral Diamines**

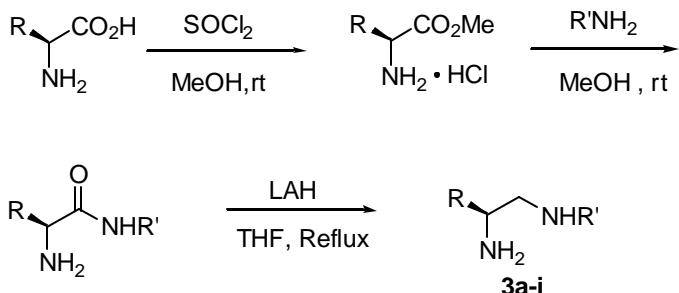
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**General Information:** Unless otherwise indicated, all compounds and reagents were purchased from commercial suppliers and used without further purification. Proton nuclear magnetic resonance spectra are recorded at 300 MHz. All chemical shifts ( $\delta$ ) are given in ppm. NMR spectra were recorded on Varian EM-360A, Varian EM90 or Brucker AMX-300 NMR spectrometer. IR spectra were recorded on a Perkin-Elmer 983G instrument. MS or HRMS was recorded on a HP-5989A spectrometer. Melting points were determined on a METTLER-TOLEDO FP62 melting point apparatus and are uncorrected. Elemental analysis was performed on a Carlo-ERBA1106 instrument. HPLC analysis was carried out on WATERS equipment.

**General procedure for the synthesis of catalysts 3a-i** (3g was prepared according to known procedure<sup>[1]</sup>)



#### Typical Procedure for the Esterification of Amino Acid

To a suspension of L-phenylalanine (10.0 g, 60.0 mmol) in ice-cooled dry methanol (120 mL) was added dropwise thionyl chloride (10.0 g, 85.0 mmol). After the solution was stirred at room temperature overnight, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure to give L-phenylalanine methyl ester hydrochloride as a colorless crystalline solid quantitatively, which was directly used in the next step without further purification.

#### Typical Procedure for the Preparation of Amino Amide<sup>[2]</sup>

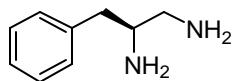
A solution of L-phenylalanine methyl ester hydrochloride (23.3 mmol) and propylamine (233.0 mmol) in anhydrous methanol (50 mL) was stirred at room

temperature for 3 days. The reaction mixture was concentrated, and the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel using petroleum ether / ethyl acetate (2:1) as eluant to give the (*S*)-2-amino-3-phenyl-N-propylpropanamide (3.9g).

**Typical Procedure for the Reduction of Amino Amide to Diamine<sup>[3]</sup>**

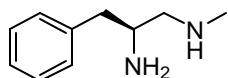
To a solution of (*S*)-2-amino-3-phenyl-N-propylpropanamide (3.4 g, 16.3 mmol), in THF (60 mL) was added lithium aluminum hydride (3.7 g, 97.8 mmol) at 0 °C. After being stirred for 30 min at 0 °C, the reaction was allowed to heat at reflux for 48 h before the reaction was quenched with Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and water with vigorous stirring at 0 °C. The white-gray suspension was filtered and the filtrate was concentrated. The crude product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel petroleum using petroleum ether / ethyl acetate (1:1) to give the desired product (*S*)-3-phenyl-N<sup>1</sup>-propylpropane-1,2-diamine (**3d**) (2.69 g, 86% yield).

**(*S*)-3-phenylpropane-1,2-diamine (**3a**)<sup>[4]</sup>**



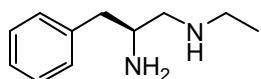
Colorless oil; [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>27</sup> = -16.2 (c = 1.0 in CHCl<sub>3</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 1.36 (brs, 4H), 2.45-2.57 (m, 2H), 2.74-2.82 (m, 2H), 2.91-2.99 (m, 1H), 7.18-7.33 (m, 5H) ppm.

**(*S*)-N<sup>1</sup>-methyl-3-phenylpropane-1,2-diamine (**3b**)<sup>[5]</sup>**



Colorless oil; [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> = -2.0 (c = 1.0 in CHCl<sub>3</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 1.51 (brs, 3H), 2.41-2.54 (m, 2H), 2.44 (s, 3H), 2.66 (dd, J = 4.9, 11.7 Hz, 1H), 2.79 (dd, J = 4.8, 13.5 Hz, 1H), 3.06-3.15 (m, 1H), 7.18-7.30 (m, 5H) ppm.

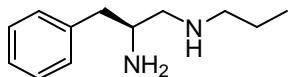
**(*S*)-N<sup>1</sup>-ethyl-3-phenylpropane-1,2-diamine (**3c**)**



Colorless oil; [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>27</sup> = -1.9 (c = 1.0 in CHCl<sub>3</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 1.10 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H), 1.28 (brs, 3H), 2.43-2.53 (m, 2H), 2.62-2.82 (m, 4H), 3.06-3.17 (m,

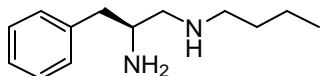
1H), 7.19-7.33 (m, 5H) ppm;  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 100 MHz) d 15.3, 42.9, 44.2, 52.5, 55.9, 126.1, 128.3, 129.2, 139.2 ppm; IR (neat): 3290, 2965, 2925, 1666, 1601, 1495, 1453, 1377, 1128, 745, 701  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; HRMS calc.  $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_2$  ( $\text{M}^+$ ): 178.1470. Found: 178.1474.

**(S)-3-phenyl-N<sup>1</sup>-propylpropane-1,2-diamine (3d)**



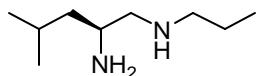
Colorless oil;  $[\alpha]_D^{27} = 4.3$  ( $c = 1.0$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ );  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) d 0.92 (t,  $J = 6.9$  Hz, 3H), 1.51-1.64 (m, 2H), 2.51-2.71 (m, 7H), 2.75-2.83 (m, 2H), 3.15-3.24 (m, 1H), 7.18-7.33 (m, 5H) ppm;  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 100 MHz) d 11.8, 22.5, 42.6, 51.6, 52.0, 55.1, 126.6, 128.7, 129.5, 138.7 ppm; IR (neat): 3273, 3026, 2929, 1661, 1602, 1495, 1454, 746, 701  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; HRMS calc.  $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2$  ( $\text{M}^+$ ): 192.1626. Found: 192.1623.

**(S)-N<sup>1</sup>-butyl-3-phenylpropane-1,2-diamine (3e)**



Colorless oil;  $[\alpha]_D^{27} = 3.1$  ( $c = 1.0$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ );  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) d 0.91 (t,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 3H), 1.28-1.40 (m, 2H), 1.44-1.54 (m, 2H), 1.82 (brs, 3H), 2.45-2.55 (m, 2H), 2.58-2.68 (m, 2H), 2.71-2.82 (m, 2H), 3.09-3.18 (m, 1H), 7.19-7.33 (m, 5H) ppm;  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 100 MHz) d 14.2, 20.6, 32.0, 42.9, 49.8, 52.4, 55.9, 126.5, 128.7, 129.4, 139.1 ppm; IR (neat): 3285, 3026, 2927, 1665, 1602, 1495, 1454, 1377, 1129, 746, 701  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; HRMS calc.  $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_2$  ( $\text{M}^+$ ): 206.1783. Found: 206.1778.

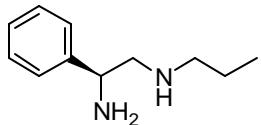
**(S)-4-methyl-N<sup>1</sup>-propylpentane-1,2-diamine (3g)**



Colorless oil;  $[\alpha]_D^{27} = 12.5$  ( $c = 1.0$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ );  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) d 0.88-0.95 (m, 9H), 1.19 (t,  $J = 6.9$  Hz, 2H), 1.46-1.58 (m, 5H), 1.65-1.80 (m, 1H), 2.33 (dd,  $J = 8.4, 8.7$  Hz, 1H), 2.54-2.65 (m, 3H), 2.84-2.93 (m, 1H) ppm;  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 100 MHz) d 11.5, 21.7, 23.0, 23.3, 24.4, 45.5, 48.5, 51.7, 56.9 ppm; IR (neat): 3301, 2956, 2929, 2872, 1465, 807  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; HRMS calc.  $\text{C}_9\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_2$  ( $\text{M}^+$ ): 158.1783. Found:

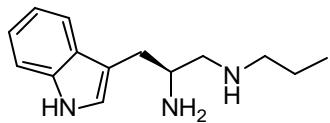
158.1787.

**(S)-2-phenyl-N<sup>1</sup>-propylethane -1,2 -diamine (3h)**



Colorless oil;  $[\alpha]_D^{27} = 18.1$  ( $c = 1.0$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ );  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  0.86 (t,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 3H), 1.41-1.48 (m, 2H), 1.67 (brs, 3H), 2.51-2.57 (m, 2H), 2.68-2.77 (m, 2H), 3.97-4.02 (m, 1H), 7.22-7.31 (m, 5H) ppm;  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 100 MHz)  $\delta$  11.6, 23.0, 51.6, 55.4, 57.6, 126.3, 127.0, 128.3, 144.7 ppm; IR (neat): 3295, 2958, 2931, 2874, 1667, 1602, 1493, 1454, 1379, 760, 701  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; HRMS calc.  $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_2$  ( $\text{M}^+$ ): 178.1470. Found: 178.1467.

**(S)-3-(1H-indol3-yl)-N<sup>1</sup>-propylpropane-1,2-diamine (3i)**

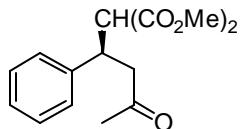


Yellow oil;  $[\alpha]_D^{26} = -0.8$  ( $c = 1.0$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ );  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  0.91 (t,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 3H), 1.45-1.54 (m, 5H), 2.48-2.62 (m, 3H), 2.63-2.71 (m, 1H), 2.79 (dd,  $J = 3.9, 11.7$  Hz, 1H), 2.64 (dd,  $J = 4.5, 11.4$  Hz, 1H), 3.20-3.28 (m, 1H), 7.03 (d,  $J = 1.8$  Hz, 1H), 7.11 (t,  $J = 6.9$  Hz, 1H), 7.20 (t,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.36 (d,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 1H), 7.62 (d,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 1H), 8.42 (brs, 1H) ppm;  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 100 MHz)  $\delta$  11.7, 22.7, 31.9, 51.1, 51.6, 55.5, 111.5, 111.6, 118.7, 119.0, 121.6, 123.4, 127.7, 136.6 ppm; IR (neat): 3244, 2928, 1619, 1456, 1340, 1104, 740, 702  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; HRMS calc. for  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{21}\text{N}_3$  ( $\text{M}^+$ ): 231.1735. Found: 231.1728.

**General procedure for the Michael reaction.**

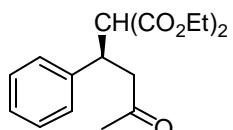
To a mixture of enone **2** (0.5 mmol), catalyst **3** (0.1 mmol) and TFA (0.1 mmol) in  $\text{CHCl}_3$  (1.0 mL) was added malonate **1** (1.0 mmol) at ambient temperature. After 24 h of stirring, the reaction mixture was quenched with 1 M aqueous HCl solution and extracted with EtOAc. The combined organic layer was dried over  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ , filtered, and concentrated to afford the corresponding Michael adduct **4** after flash column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/Et<sub>2</sub>O as eluent).

**Dimethyl 2-(3-oxo-1-phenylbutyl)malonate (4aa)<sup>[6]</sup>**



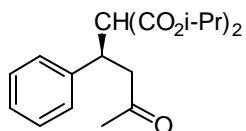
White solid;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -14.1$  ( $c = 1.0$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ); m.p. 43-44 °C;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) δ 2.03 (s, 3H), 2.87-3.02 (m, 2H), 3.50 (s, 3H), 3.72 (s, 3H), 3.73 (d,  $J = 9.6$  Hz, 1H), 3.94-4.02 (m, 1H), 7.17-7.30 (m, 5H) ppm; enantiometric excess: 97%, determined by HPLC (Chiralpak AD column, hexane/*i*-PrOH 90:10, flow rate 1 mL/min;  $t_{\text{major}} = 13.5$  min,  $t_{\text{minor}} = 15.4$  min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm).

**Diethyl 2-(3-oxo-1-phenylbutyl)malonate (4ba)<sup>[6]</sup>**



White solid;  $[\alpha]_D^{26} = -15.5$  ( $c = 1.0$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ); m.p. 40-42 °C;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) δ 1.01 (t,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 3H), 1.26 (t,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 3H), 2.02 (s, 3H), 2.86-3.01 (m, 2H), 3.69 (d,  $J = 9.6$  Hz, 1H), 3.91-4.01 (m, 3H), 4.19 (q,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 2H), 7.16-7.30 (m, 5H) ppm; enantiometric excess: 98%, determined by HPLC (Chiralpak AD column, hexane/*i*-PrOH 90:10, flow rate 1 mL/min,  $t_{\text{major}} = 12.5$  min,  $t_{\text{minor}} = 18.6$  min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm).

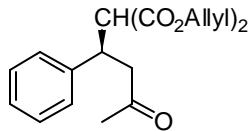
**Diisopropyl 2-(3-oxo-1-phenylbutyl)malonate (4ca)<sup>[6]</sup>**



Colorless oil;  $[\alpha]_D^{26} = -19.4$  ( $c = 1.0$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ );  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) δ 0.96 (d,  $J = 6.6$  Hz, 3H), 1.03 (d,  $J = 6.9$  Hz, 3H), 1.23 (dd,  $J = 1.5, 6.0$  Hz, 6H), 2.00 (s, 3H), 2.84-2.99 (m, 2H), 3.64 (d,  $J = 10.2$  Hz, 1H), 3.90-3.98 (m, 1H), 4.71-4.83 (m, 1H), 4.99-5.11 (m, 1H), 7.15-7.30 (m, 5H) ppm; enantiomeric excess: >99%, determined by HPLC (Chiralpak AD column, hexane/*i*-PrOH 90:10, flow rate 1

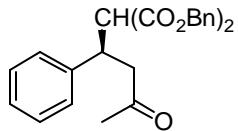
mL/min,  $t_{\text{major}} = 9.6$  min,  $t_{\text{minor}} = 13.8$  min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm).

**Diallyl 2-(3-oxo-1-phenylbutyl)malonate (4da)<sup>[6]</sup>**



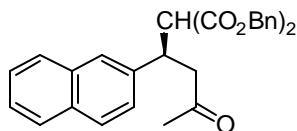
Colorless oil;  $[\alpha]_D^{26} = -12.1$  ( $c = 1.0$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ );  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) d 2.02 (s, 3H), 2.87-3.02 (m, 2H), 3.78 (d,  $J = 9.6$  Hz, 1H), 3.96-4.04 (m, 1H), 4.38 (d,  $J = 5.7$  Hz 2H), 4.63 (d,  $J = 5.4$  Hz, 2H), 5.10-5.15 (m, 2H), 5.22-5.34 (m, 2H), 5.57-5.70(m, 1H), 5.81-5.94 (m, 1H), 7.17-7.30 (m, 5H) ppm; enantiomeric excess: 98%, determined by HPLC (Chiraldak AD column, hexane/*i*-PrOH 90:10, flow rate 1 mL/min,  $t_{\text{major}} = 13.6$  min,  $t_{\text{minor}} = 20.3$  min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm).

**Dibenzyl 2-(3-oxo-1-phenylbutyl)malonate (4ea)<sup>[6]</sup>**



White solid;  $[\alpha]_D^{26} = -7.1$  ( $c = 1.0$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ); m.p. 85-88 °C;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) d 1.95 (s, 3H), 2.88 (d,  $J = 6.9$  Hz, 2H), 3.82 (d,  $J = 9.6$  Hz, 1H), 3.96-4.04 (m, 1H), 4.89 (s, 2H), 5.13 (s, 2H), 7.04-7.07 (m, 2H), 7.18-7.38 (m, 13H) ppm; enantiomeric excess: 99%, determined by HPLC (Chiraldak AD column, hexane/*i*-PrOH 90:10, flow rate 1 mL/min,  $t_{\text{major}} = 33.0$  min,  $t_{\text{minor}} = 46.0$  min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm).

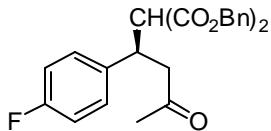
**Dibenzyl 2-(1-(naphthalen-2-yl)-3-oxobutyl)malonate (4eb)<sup>[6]</sup>**



White solid;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -7.6$  ( $c = 1.0$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ); m.p. 66-68 °C;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) d 1.94 (s, 3H), 2.89-3.04 (m, 2H), 3.94 (d,  $J = 9.6$  Hz, 1H), 4.14-4.22 (m, 1H), 4.84 (s, 2H), 5.15 (s, 2H), 6.90 (d,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 2H), 7.01 (t,  $J = 6.9$  Hz, 2H), 7.18 (t,  $J$

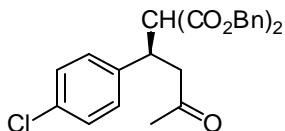
= 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.25-7.36 (m, 6H), 7.43-7.47 (m, 2H), 7.64 (m, 1H), 7.72-7.78 (m, 3H) ppm; enantiomeric excess: 99%, determined by HPLC (Chiralpak AD column, hexane/*i*-PrOH 80:20, flow rate 0.75 mL/min,  $t_{\text{major}} = 35.6$  min,  $t_{\text{minor}} = 47.8$  min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm).

### Dibenzyl 2-(1-(4-fluorophenyl)-3-oxobutyl)malonate (4ec)



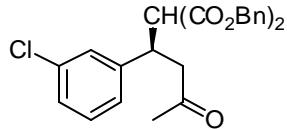
White solid;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -8.5$  ( $c = 1.0$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ); m.p. 105-107 °C;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) d 1.95 (s, 3H), 2.84 (d,  $J = 6.3$  Hz, 2H), 3.77 (d,  $J = 9.6$  Hz, 1H), 3.94-4.01 (m, 1H), 4.91 (s, 2H), 5.14 (s, 2H), 6.87 (t,  $J = 9.6$  Hz, 2H), 7.08-7.16 (m, 4H), 7.26-7.35 (m, 8H) ppm;  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 100 MHz) d 30.5, 39.9, 47.3, 57.5, 67.4, 67.6, 115.5, 115.7, 128.5, 128.6, 128.7, 128.9, 130.0, 135.2, 135.4, 136.2, 167.5, 168.0, 205.9 ppm; IR (neat): 3068, 1745, 1714, 1603, 1512, 1256, 1153, 757, 700  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; MS (70 ev):  $m/z$  (%): 357 (0.68) [ $\text{M}^+ \text{-Bn}$ ], 91 (100); Anal. calcd. for  $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{25}\text{FO}_5$ : C: 72.31; H: 5.62. Found: C: 72.28; H: 5.63. enantiomeric excess: 99%, determined by HPLC (Chiralpak AD column, hexane/*i*-PrOH 80:20, flow rate 0.75 mL/min,  $t_{\text{major}} = 27.1$  min,  $t_{\text{minor}} = 43.4$  min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm).

### Dibenzyl 2-(1-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-oxobutyl)malonate (4ed)<sup>[6]</sup>



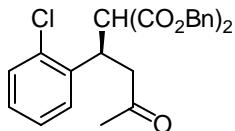
White solid;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -8.7$  ( $c = 1.0$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ); m.p. 82-84 °C;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) d 1.95 (s, 3H), 2.84 (d,  $J = 6.9$  Hz, 2H), 3.77 (d,  $J = 9.6$  Hz, 1H), 3.91-4.00 (m, 1H), 4.92 (s, 2H), 5.14 (s, 2H), 7.07-7.09 (m, 2H), 7.11-7.16 (m, 4H), 7.26-7.35 (m, 8H) ppm; enantiomeric excess: >99%, determined by HPLC (Chiralpak AD column, hexane/*i*-PrOH 80:20, flow rate 0.75 mL/min,  $t_{\text{major}} = 27.6$  min,  $t_{\text{minor}} = 44.3$  min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm).

### Dibenzyl 2-(1-(3-chlorophenyl)-3-oxobutyl)malonate (4ee)



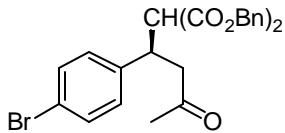
White solid;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -8.3$  ( $c = 1.0$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ); m.p. 66-68 °C;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) δ 1.97 (s, 3H), 2.86 (d,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 2H), 3.79 (d,  $J = 9.9$  Hz, 1H), 3.94-4.01 (m, 1H), 4.92 (s, 2H), 5.13 (s, 2H), 7.07-7.34 (m, 14H) ppm;  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 100MHz) δ 30.2, 39.9, 46.7, 56.9, 67.2, 67.4, 126.5, 127.5, 128.2, 128.3, 128.5, 128.6, 129.7, 134.2, 134.8, 135.0, 142.5, 167.1, 167.6, 205.3 ppm; IR (neat): 3064, 1731, 1597, 1570, 1455, 1259, 1156, 746, 696  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; MS (70 ev):  $m/z$  (%): 373 (1.06) [ $\text{M}^+ \text{-Bn}$ ], 91 (100); Anal. calcd. for  $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{25}\text{ClO}_5$ : C: 69.75; H: 5.42. Found: C: 69.70; H: 5.36. enantiomeric excess: 99%, determined by HPLC (Chiraldak AD column, hexane/*i*-PrOH 80:20, flow rate 0.75 mL/min,  $t_{\text{major}} = 21.3$  min,  $t_{\text{minor}} = 24.9$  min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm).

#### Dibenzyl 2-(1-(2-chlorophenyl)-3-oxobutyl)malonate (4ef)



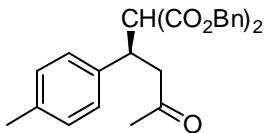
Colorless oil;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -0.2$  ( $c = 1.0$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ );  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) δ 1.99 (s, 3H), 2.92-3.10 (m, 2H), 4.10 (d,  $J = 9.0$  Hz, 1H), 4.43-4.50 (m, 1H), 4.99 (s, 2H), 5.10 (d,  $J = 1.5$  Hz, 2H), 7.09-7.32 (m, 14H) ppm;  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 100MHz) δ 30.2, 37.3, 45.3, 55.1, 67.4, 67.5, 127.2, 128.4, 128.5, 128.6, 128.7, 128.8, 130.4, 134.2, 135.3, 135.4, 137.8, 167.7, 168.1, 206.1 ppm; IR (neat): 3033, 1730, 1498, 1476, 1455, 1375, 1216, 751, 697  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; MS (70 ev):  $m/z$  (%): 429 (0.68) [ $\text{M}^+ \text{-Cl}$ ], 91 (100); Anal. calcd. for  $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{25}\text{ClO}_5$ : C: 69.75; H: 5.42. Found: C: 69.84; H: 5.52. enantiomeric excess: 99%, determined by HPLC (Chiraldak AD column, hexane/*i*-PrOH 80:20, flow rate 0.75 mL/min,  $t_{\text{major}} = 22.0$  min,  $t_{\text{minor}} = 28.0$  min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm).

#### Dibenzyl 2-(1-(4-bromophenyl)-3-oxobutyl)malonate (4eg)



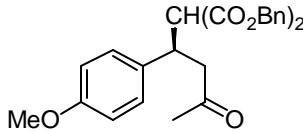
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#### Dibenzyl 2-(3-oxo-1-p-tolylbutyl)malonate (4eh)



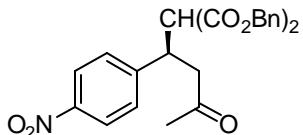
White solid;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -8.1$  ( $c = 1.0$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ); m.p. 86-89 ? ;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) d 1.94 (s, 3H), 2.28 (s, 3H), 2.85 (d,  $J = 6.9$  Hz, 2H), 3.79 (d,  $J = 9.9$  Hz, 1H), 3.92-4.00 (m, 1H), 4.90 (s, 2H), 5.13 (s, 2H), 7.00-7.09 (m, 6H), 7.25-7.33 (m, 8H) ppm;  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 100MHz) d 21.3, 30.5, 40.4, 47.4, 57.7, 67.3, 67.5, 128.2, 128.4, 128.5, 128.7, 128.8, 129.5, 135.4, 135.5, 137.0, 137.4, 167.7, 168.2, 206.3 ppm; IR (neat): 3033, 1739, 1709, 1514, 1496, 1297, 1222, 732, 698  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; MS (70 ev):  $m/z$  (%): 444 (0.42) [ $\text{M}^+$ ], 91 (100); Anal. calcd. for  $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{28}\text{O}_5$ : C: 75.65; H: 6.35. Found: C: 75.82; H: 6.37. enantiomeric excess: >99%, determined by HPLC (Chiralpak AD column, hexane/*i*-PrOH 80:20, flow rate 0.75 mL/min,  $t_{\text{major}} = 23.8$  min,  $t_{\text{minor}} = 36.5$  min, ? = 254 nm).

#### Dibenzyl 2-(1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-oxobutyl)malonate (4ei)



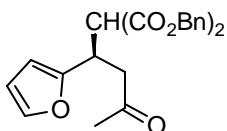
White solid;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -10.2$  ( $c = 1.0$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ); m.p. 54-56 °C;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) δ 1.94 (s, 3H), 2.83 (d,  $J = 6.9$  Hz, 2H), 3.75-3.79 (m, 4H), 3.91-4.00 (m, 1H), 4.90 (s, 2H), 5.14 (s, 2H), 6.74 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H), 7.07-7.12 (m, 4H), 7.26-7.32 (m, 8H) ppm;  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 100MHz) δ 30.2, 39.8, 47.2, 55.1, 57.5, 67.0, 67.2, 113.9, 128.1, 128.2, 128.4, 128.5, 129.1, 132.0, 135.0, 135.2, 158.6, 167.4, 167.9, 206.0 ppm; IR (neat): 3066, 2953, 1745, 1715, 1611, 1517, 1456, 1249, 1139, 696  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; MS (70 ev):  $m/z$  (%): 460 (0.78) [ $\text{M}^+$ ], 91 (100); Anal. calcd. for  $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{28}\text{O}_6$ : C: 73.03; H: 6.13. Found: C: 73.28; H: 6.19. enantiomeric excess: >99%, determined by HPLC (Chiraldak AD column, hexane/*i*-PrOH 80:20, flow rate 0.75 mL/min,  $t_{\text{major}} = 35.5$  min,  $t_{\text{minor}} = 60.9$  min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm).

**Dibenzyl 2-(1-(4-nitrophenyl)-3-oxobutyl)malonate (4e-j)**<sup>[6]</sup>



Yellow solid;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -9.0$  ( $c = 1.0$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ); m.p. 67-69 °C;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) δ 1.96 (s, 3H), 2.88-2.91 (m, 2H), 3.82 (d,  $J = 9.3$  Hz, 1H), 4.03-4.11 (m, 1H), 4.93 (s, 2H), 5.15 (s, 2H), 7.07 (d,  $J = 6.3$  Hz, 4H), 7.23-7.35 (m, 10H), 7.96 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H) ppm; enantiomeric excess: 99%, determined by HPLC (Chiraldak OD-H column, hexane/*i*-PrOH 80:20, flow rate 0.75 mL/min,  $t_{\text{major}} = 43.4$  min,  $t_{\text{minor}} = 39.2$  min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm).

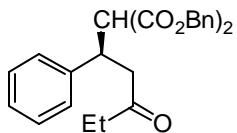
**Dibenzyl 2-(1-(furan-2-yl)-3-oxobutyl)malonate (4ek)**<sup>[6]</sup>



Colorless oil;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -3.5$  ( $c = 1.0$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ );  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) δ 2.02 (s, 3H), 2.80-3.00 (m, 2H), 3.90 (d,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 1H), 4.10-4.17 (m, 1H), 5.04 (s, 2H), 5.12 (s, 2H), 6.02 (d,  $J = 3.3$  Hz, 1H), 6.19 (dd,  $J = 1.5, 3.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.21-7.33 (m,

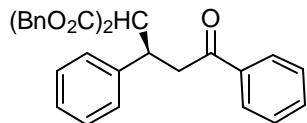
11H) ppm; enantiomeric excess: 99%, determined by HPLC (Chiralpak AD column, hexane/*i*-PrOH 80:20, flow rate 0.75 mL/min,  $t_{\text{major}} = 21.5$  min,  $t_{\text{minor}} = 25.2$  min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm).

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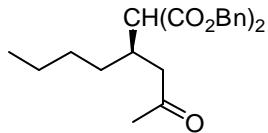
White solid;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -0.9$  ( $c = 1.0$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ); m.p. 69-71 °C;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) δ 0.88 (t,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 3H), 2.08-2.32 (m, 2H), 2.78-2.93 (m, 2H), 3.84 (d,  $J = 9.9$  Hz, 2H), 3.98-4.06 (m, 1H), 4.88 (s, 2H), 5.13 (d,  $J = 1.5$  Hz), 7.04-7.32 (m, 14H) ppm; enantiomeric excess: 99%, determined by HPLC (Chiralpak AD column, hexane/*i*-PrOH 80:20, flow rate 0.75 mL/min,  $t_{\text{major}} = 24.4$  min,  $t_{\text{minor}} = 40.6$  min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm).

**Dibenzyl 2-(3-oxo-1,3-diphenylpropyl)malonate (4em)**<sup>[7]</sup>



White solid;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -14.7$  ( $c = 1.0$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ); m.p. 87-89 °C;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) δ 3.44 (d,  $J = 6.6$  Hz, 2H), 3.95 (d,  $J = 9.6$  Hz, 1H), 4.18-4.26 (m, 1H), 4.91 (s, 2H), 5.14 (d,  $J = 4.5$  Hz), 7.05-7.08 (m, 2H), 7.18-7.28 (m, 13H), 7.36-7.41 (m, 2H), 7.48-7.54 (m, 1H), 7.81 (d,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 2H) ppm; enantiomeric excess: >99%, determined by HPLC (Chiralpak AD column, hexane/*i*-PrOH 80:20, flow rate 0.75 mL/min,  $t_{\text{major}} = 43.4$  min,  $t_{\text{minor}} = 89.3$  min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm).

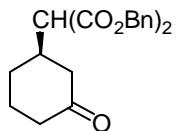
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Colorless oil;  $[\alpha]_D^{27} = -5.1$  ( $c = 1.0$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ );  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) δ 0.80-0.84 (m, 3H), 1.20-1.33 (m, 6H), 2.03 (s, 3H), 2.41-2.50 (m, 1H), 2.63-2.69 (m, 2H), 3.66 (d,  $J = 5.4$  Hz, 1H), 5.12-5.14 (m, 4H), 7.26-7.31 (m, 10H) ppm;

enantiomeric excess: 98%, determined by HPLC (Chiralpak OD-H column, hexane/*i*-PrOH 95:5, flow rate 1.0 mL/min,  $t_{\text{major}}$  10.0 min,  $t_{\text{minor}} = 9.3$  min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm).

**Dibenzyl 2-(3-oxocyclohexyl)malonate (**4eo**)<sup>[6]</sup>**



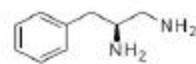
White solid;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -14.7$  ( $c = 1.0$  in CHCl<sub>3</sub>); m.p. 62-64 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 1.39-1.53 (m, 1H), 1.57-1.71 (m, 1H), 1.88-1.92 (m, 1H), 1.98-2.06 (m, 1H), 2.14-2.28 (m, 2H), 2.35-2.50 (m, 2H), 2.51-5.61 (m, 1H), 3.41 (d,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 1H), 5.15 (d,  $J = 1.8$  Hz, 4H), 7.26-7.34 (m, 10H) ppm; enantiomeric excess: 90%, determined by HPLC (Chiralpak AS-H column, hexane/*i*-PrOH 95:5, flow rate 1.0 mL/min,  $t_{\text{major}}$  56.4 min,  $t_{\text{minor}} = 47.5$  min,  $\lambda = 254$  nm).

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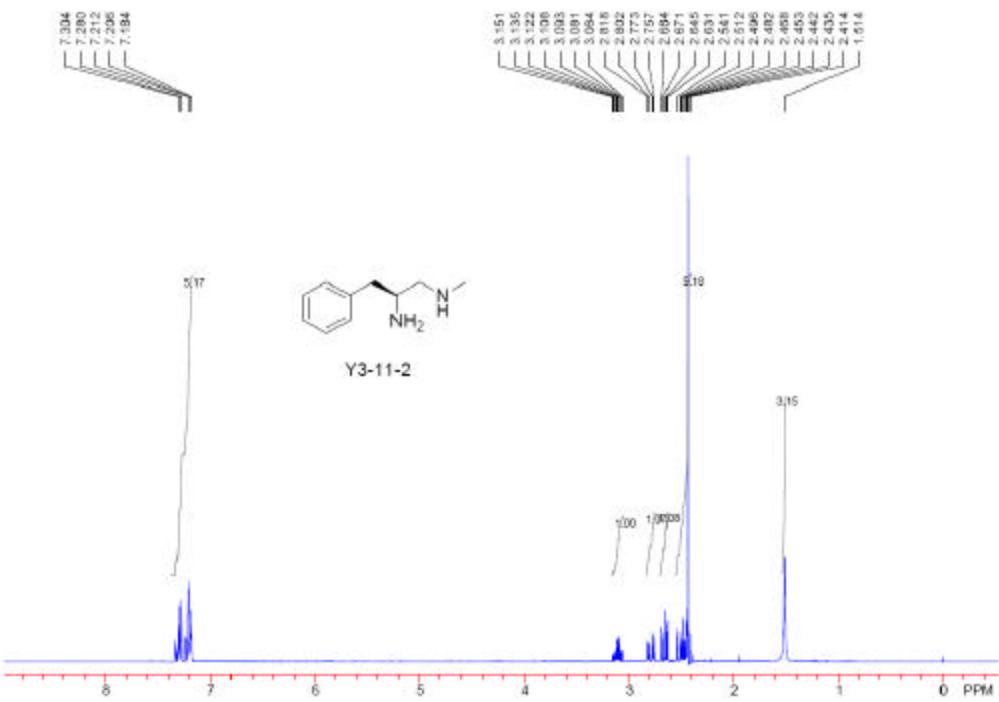
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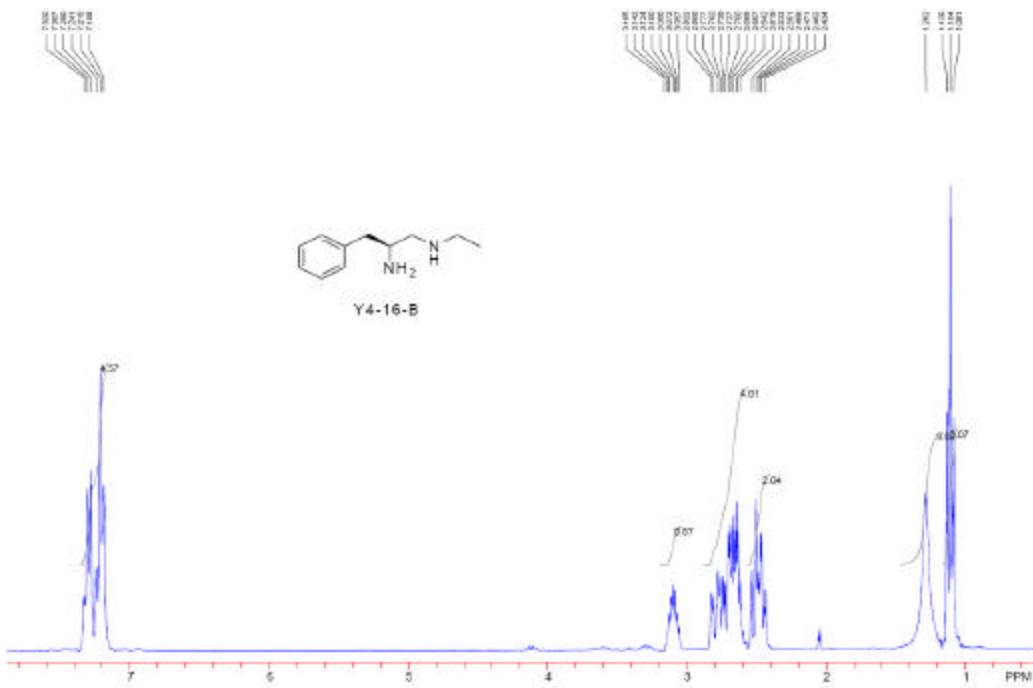


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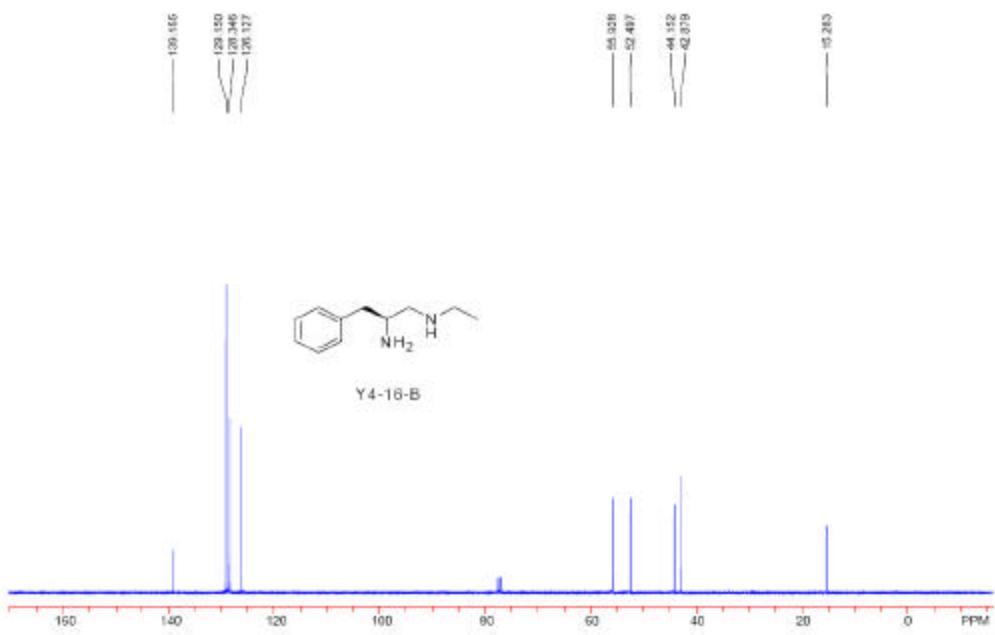
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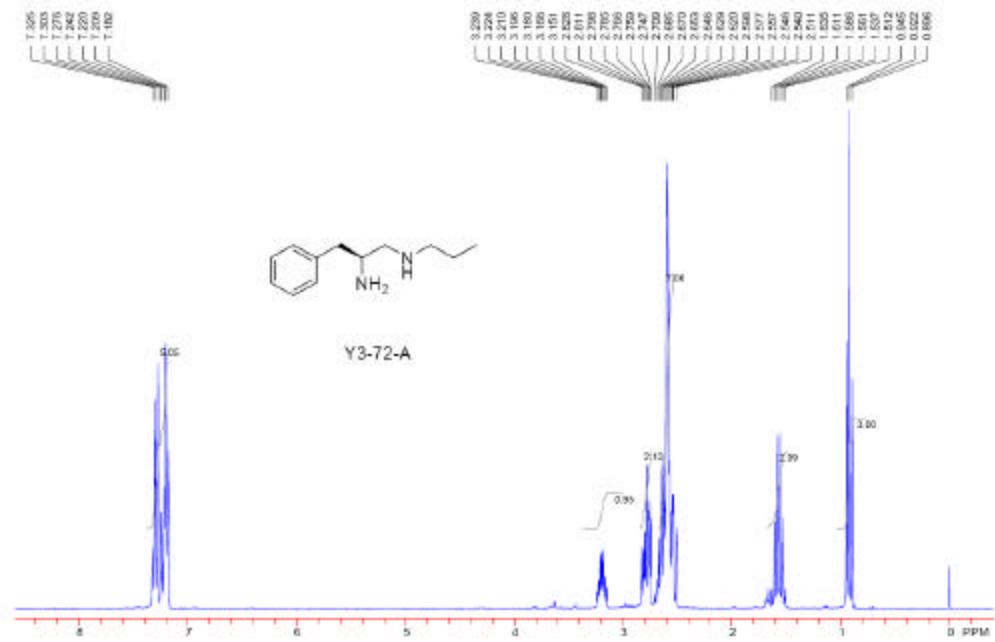
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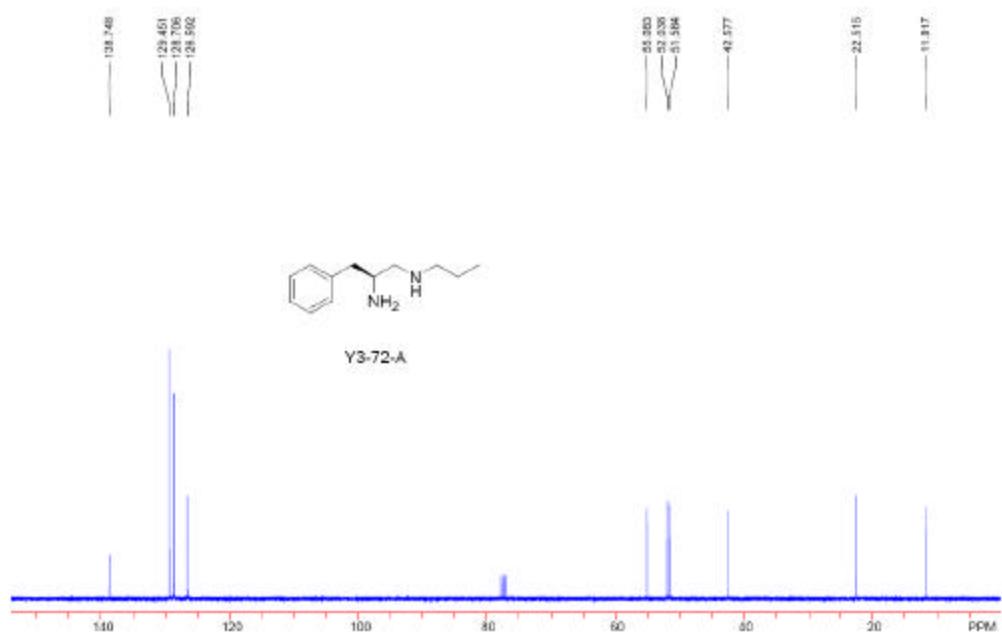
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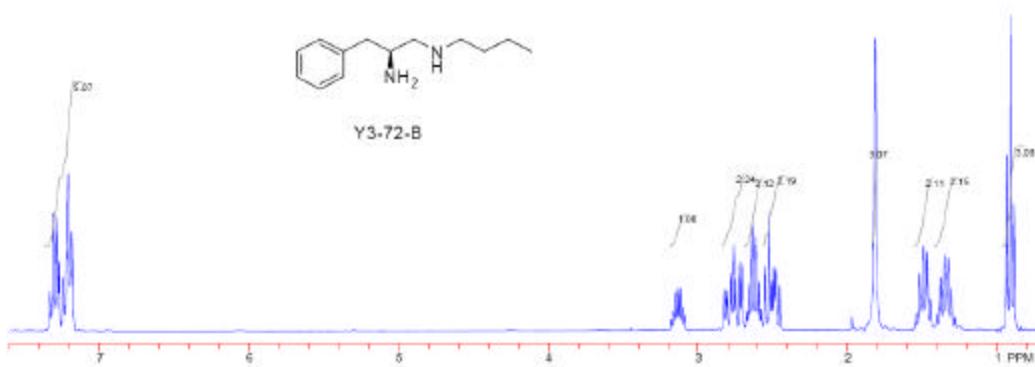
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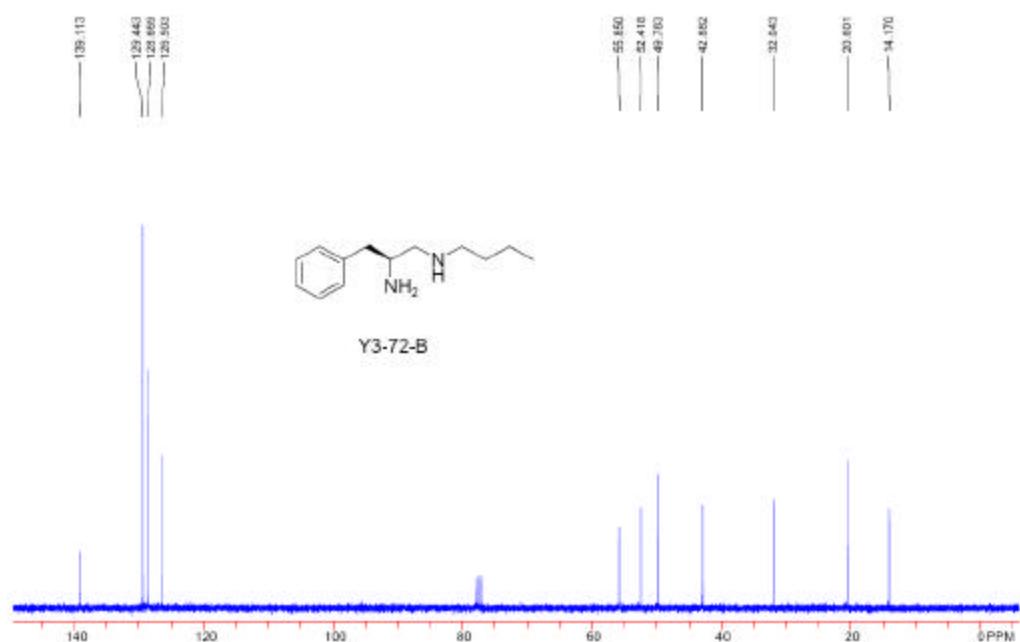
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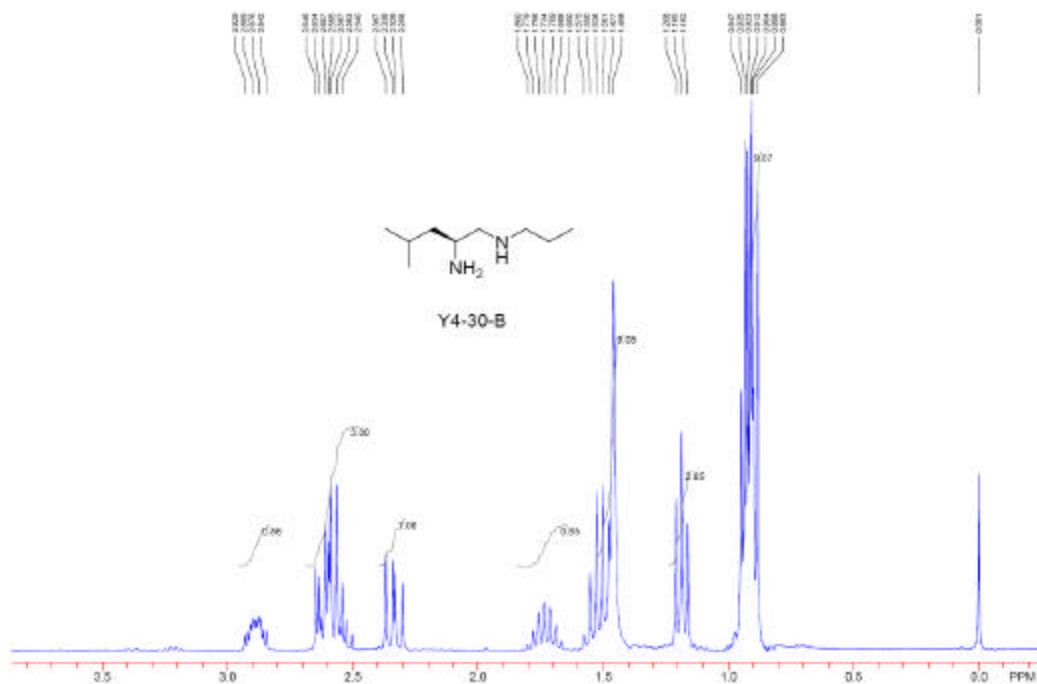
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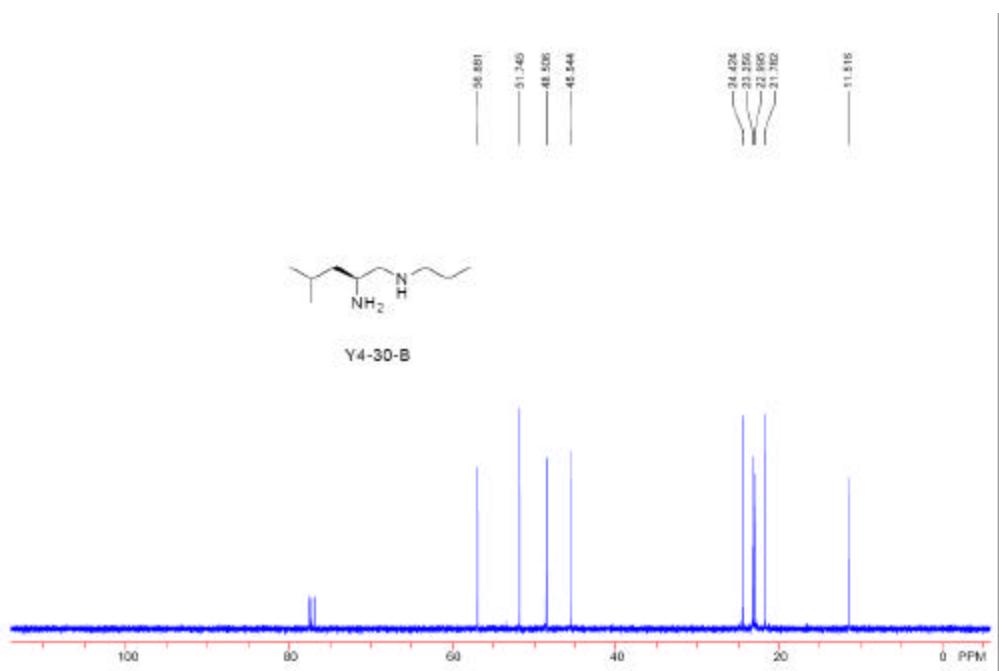
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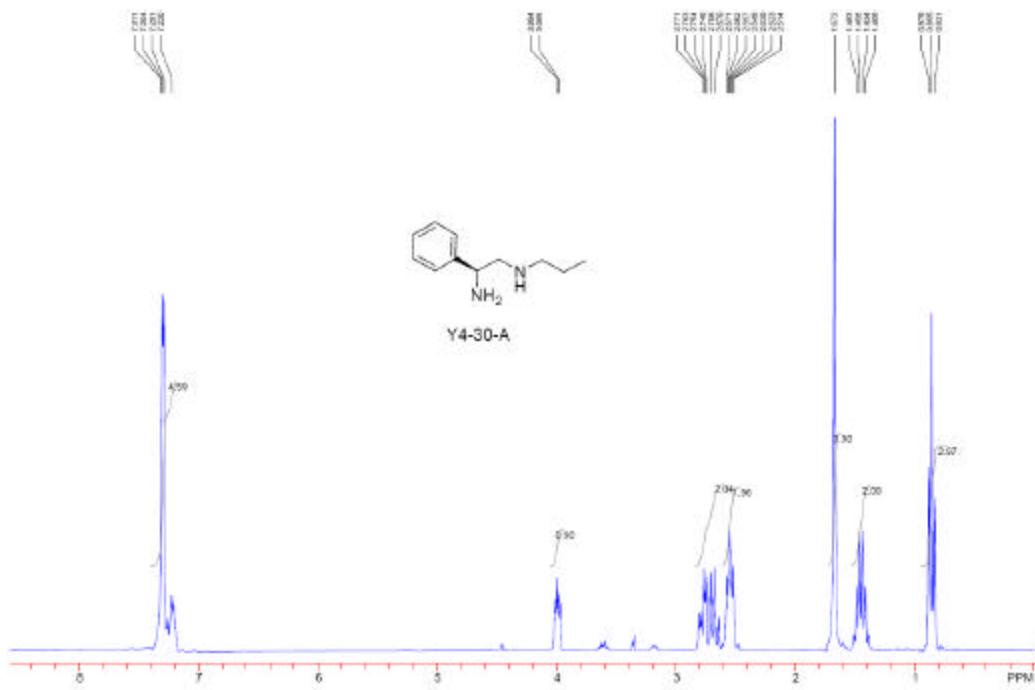
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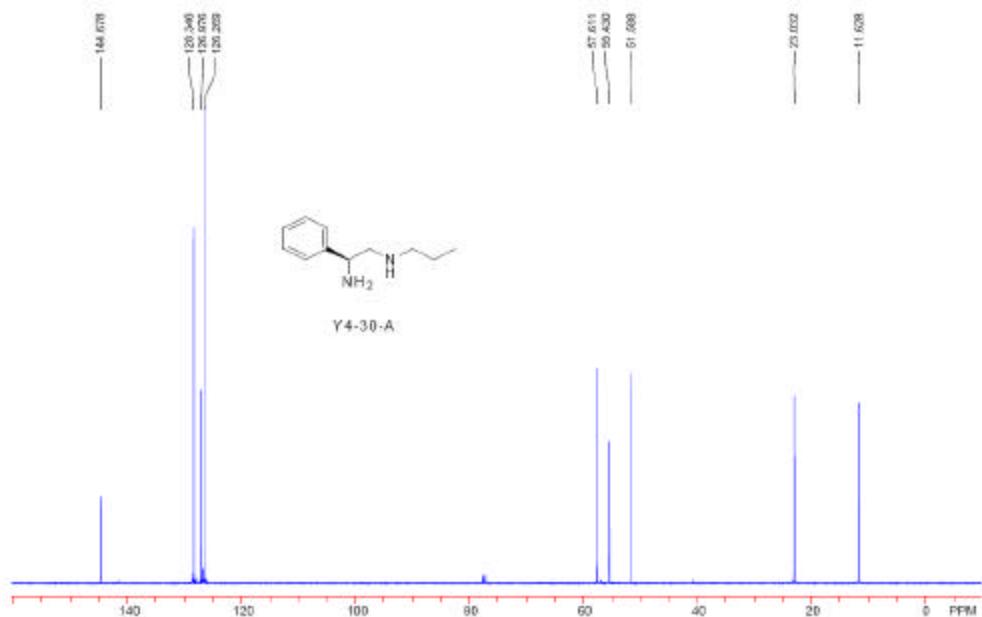
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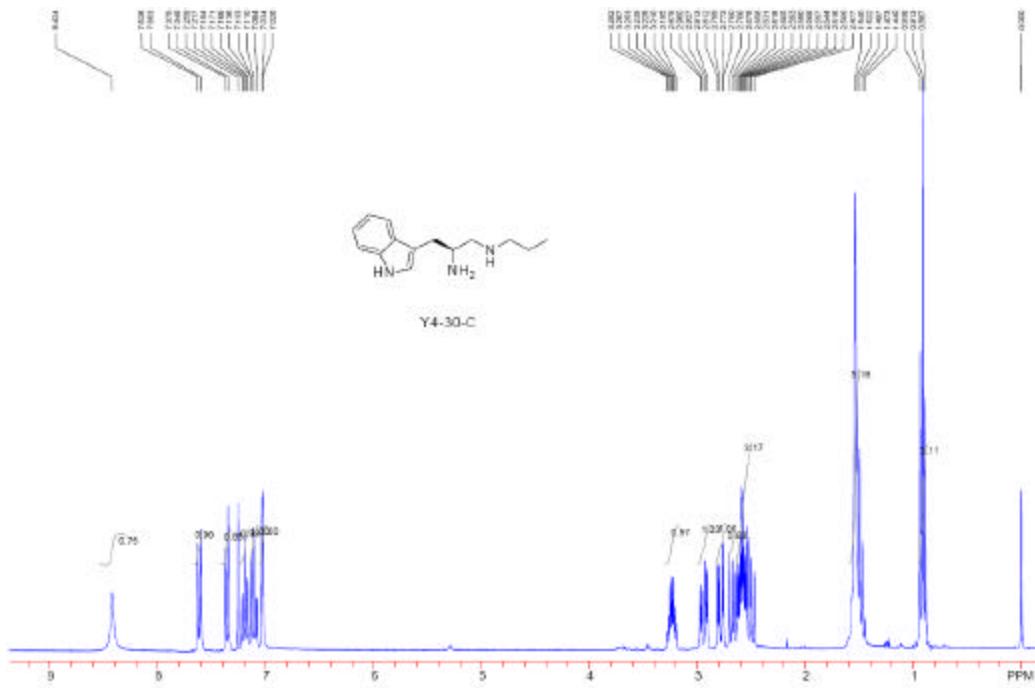
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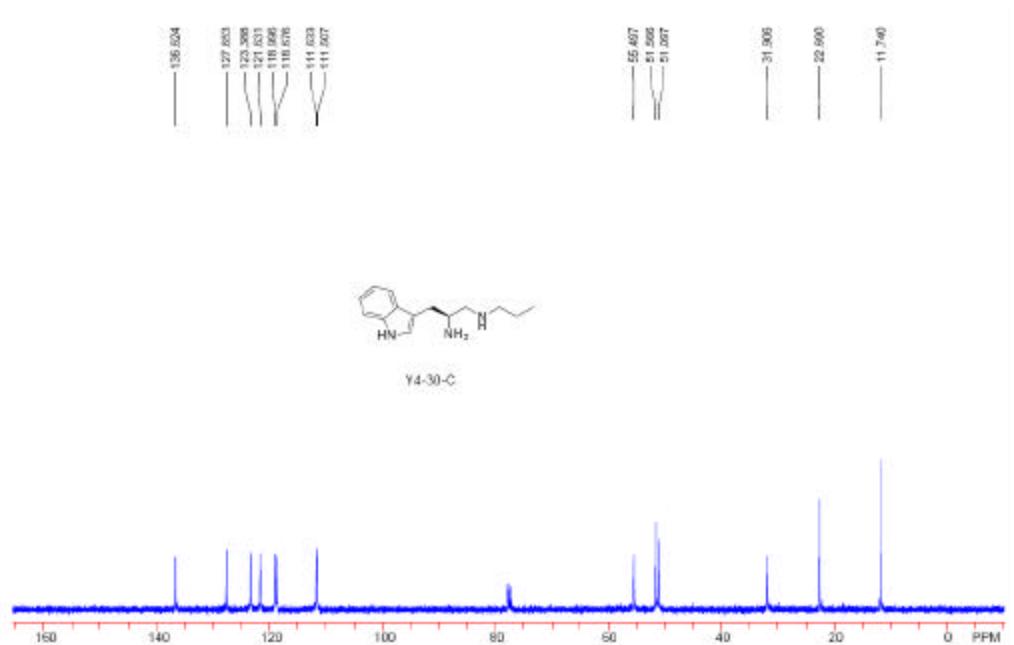
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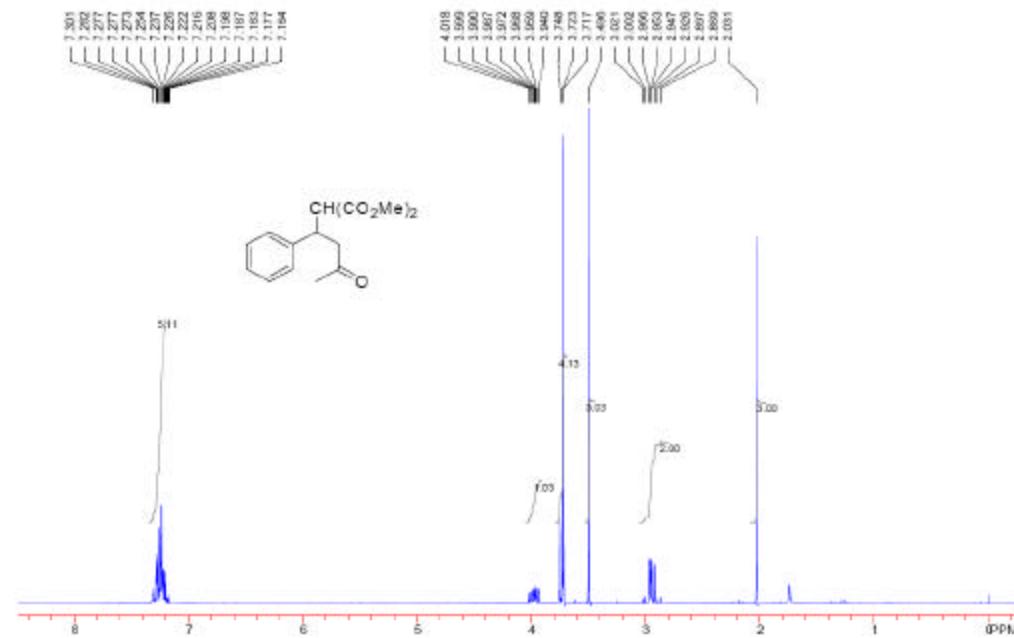


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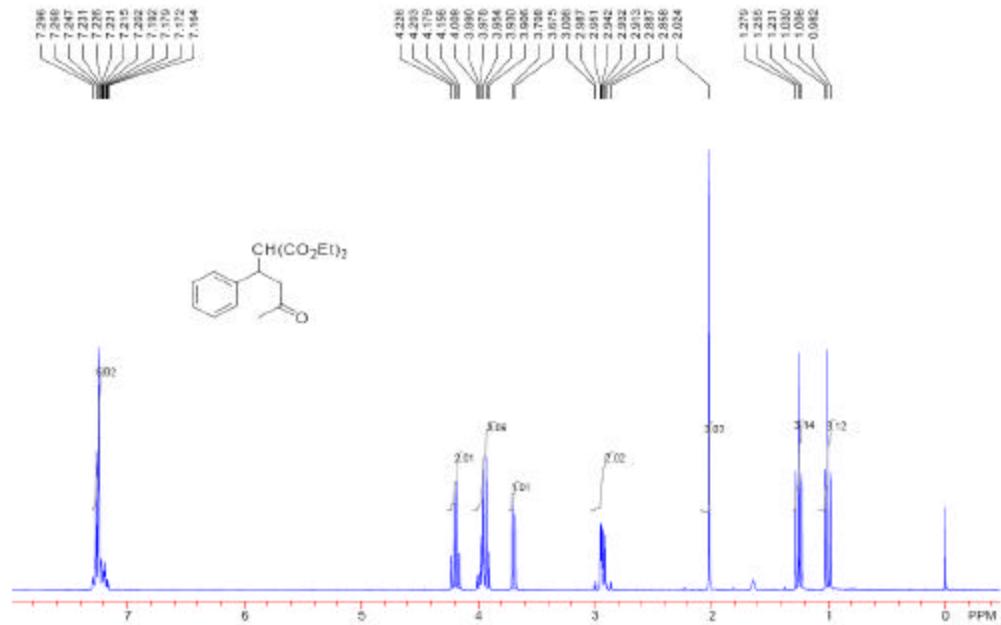


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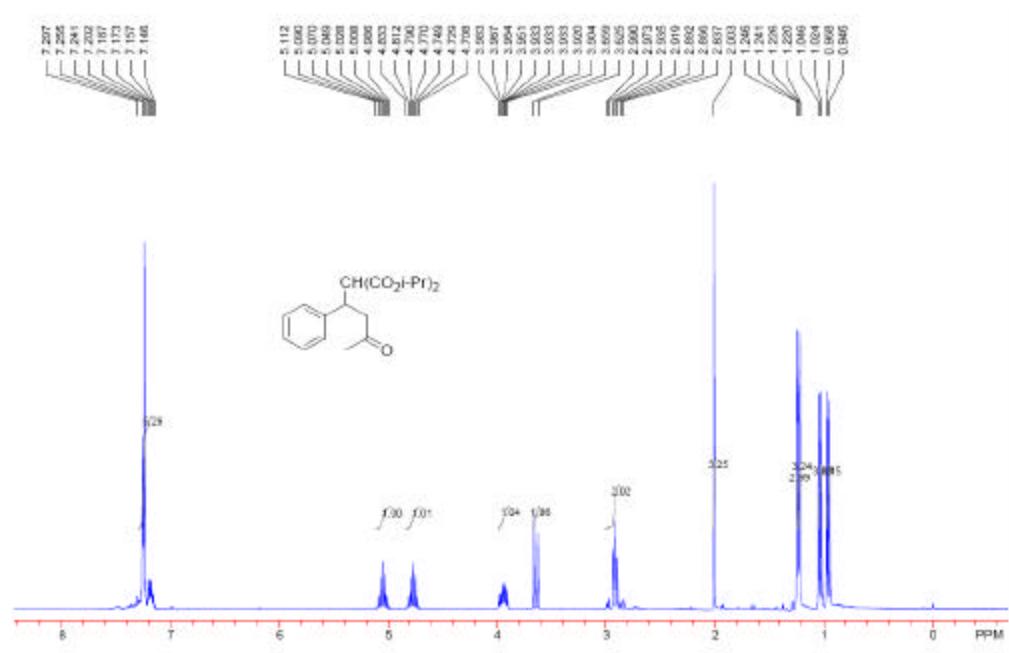
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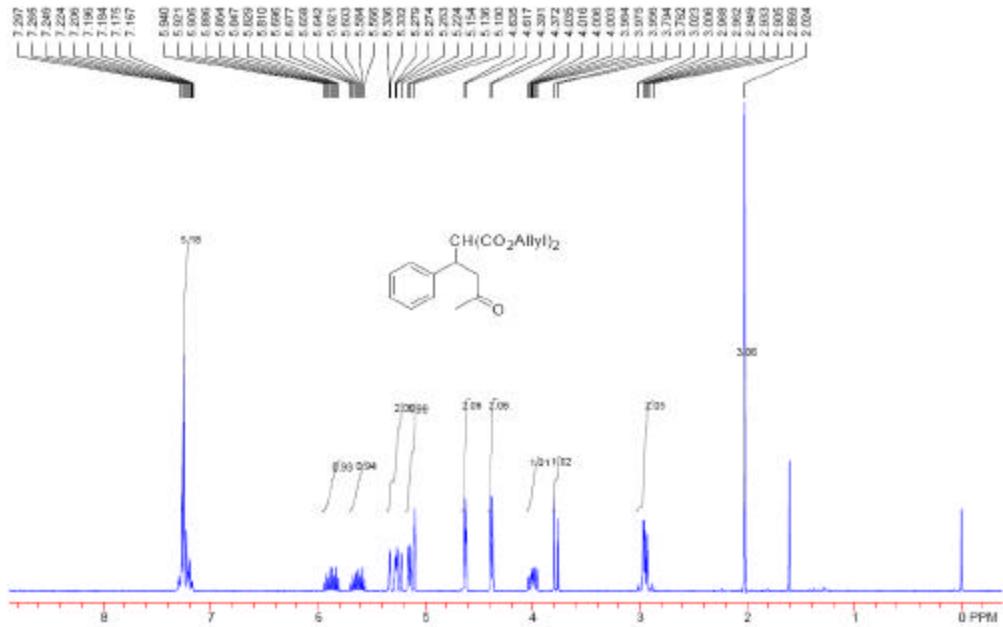
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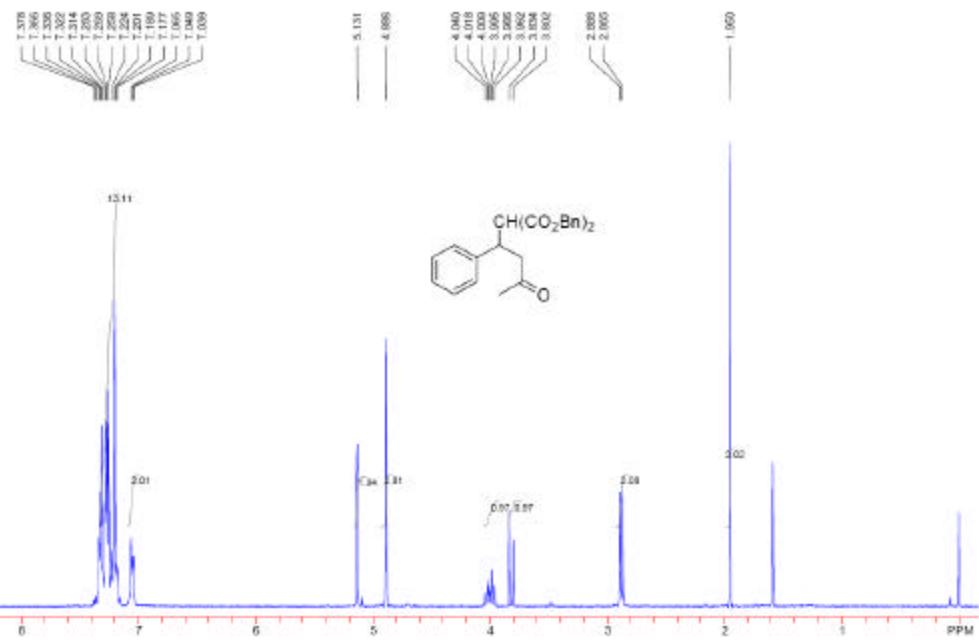
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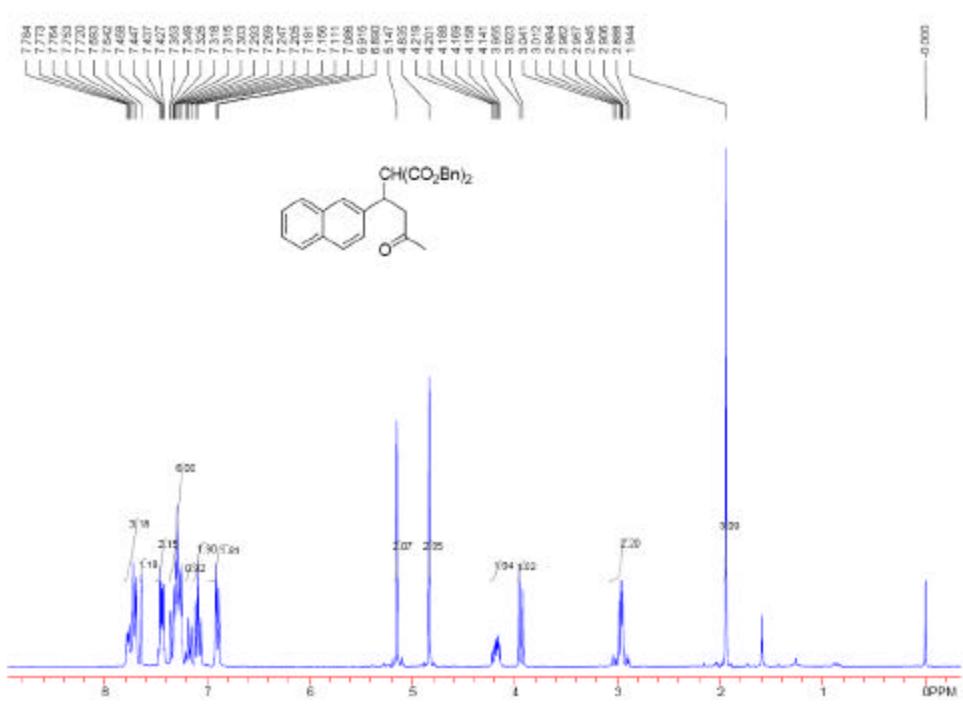
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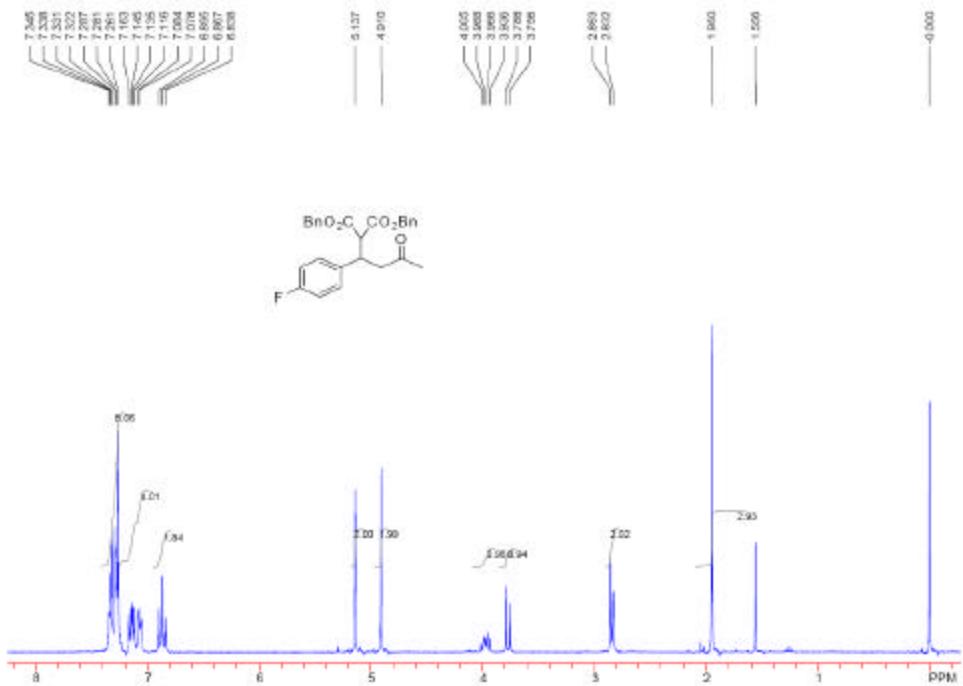
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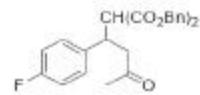
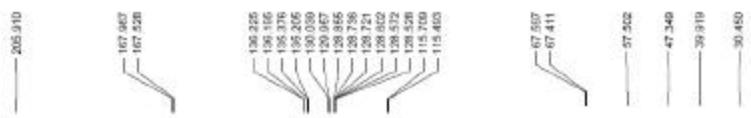
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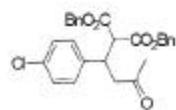
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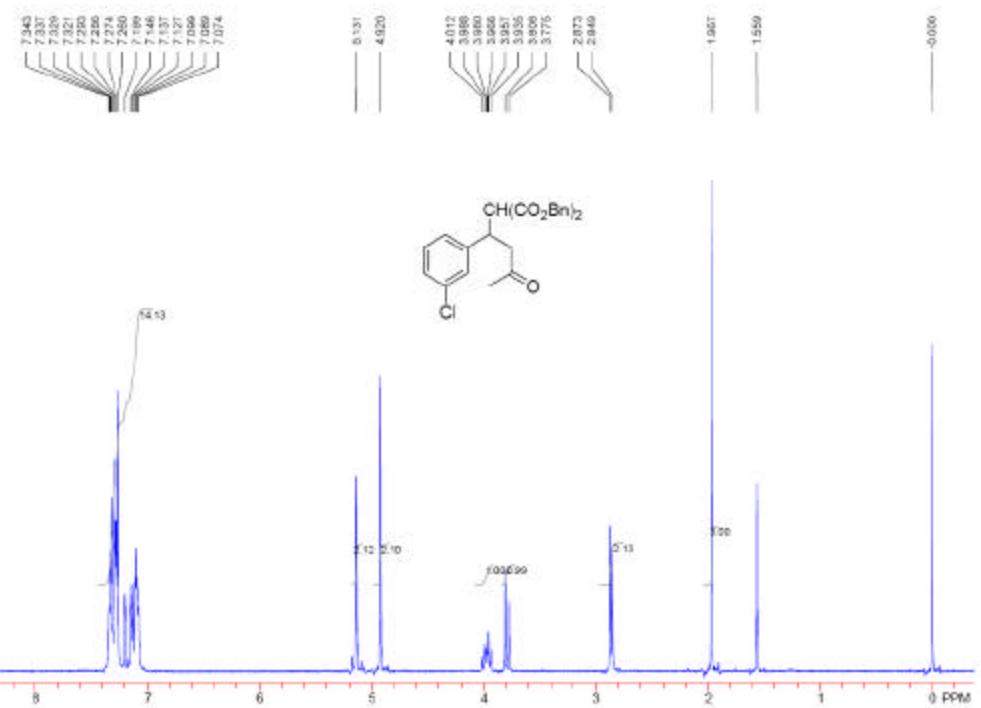
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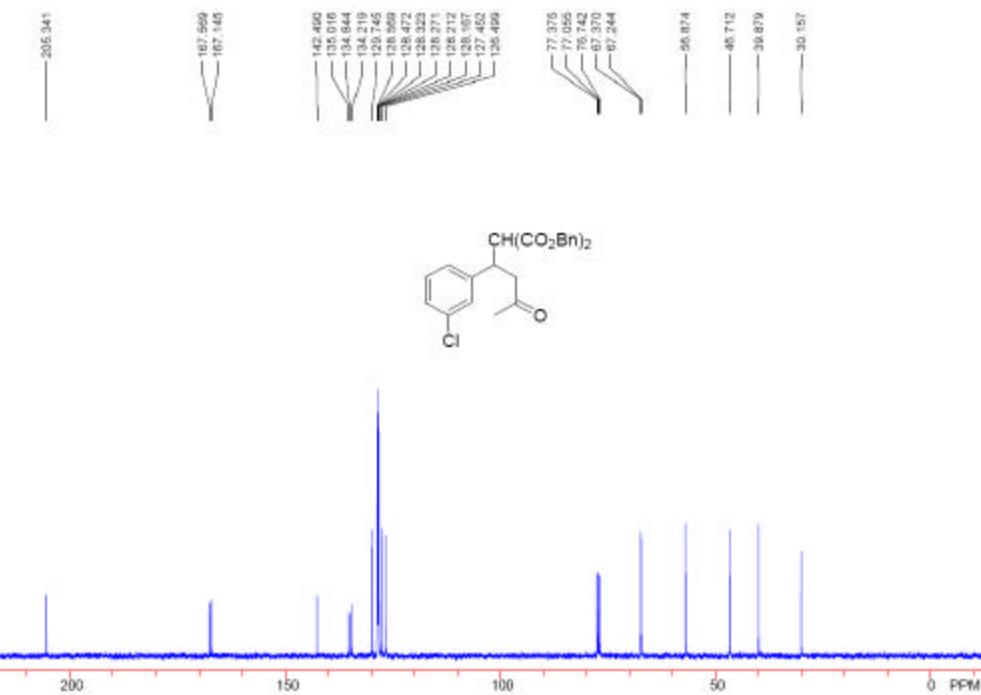
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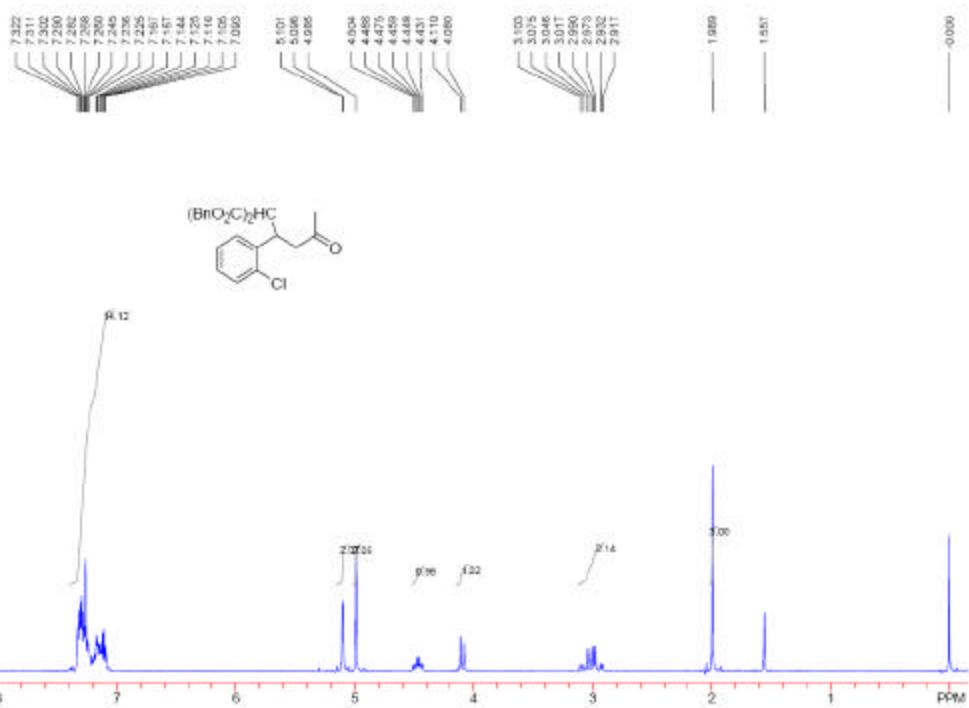
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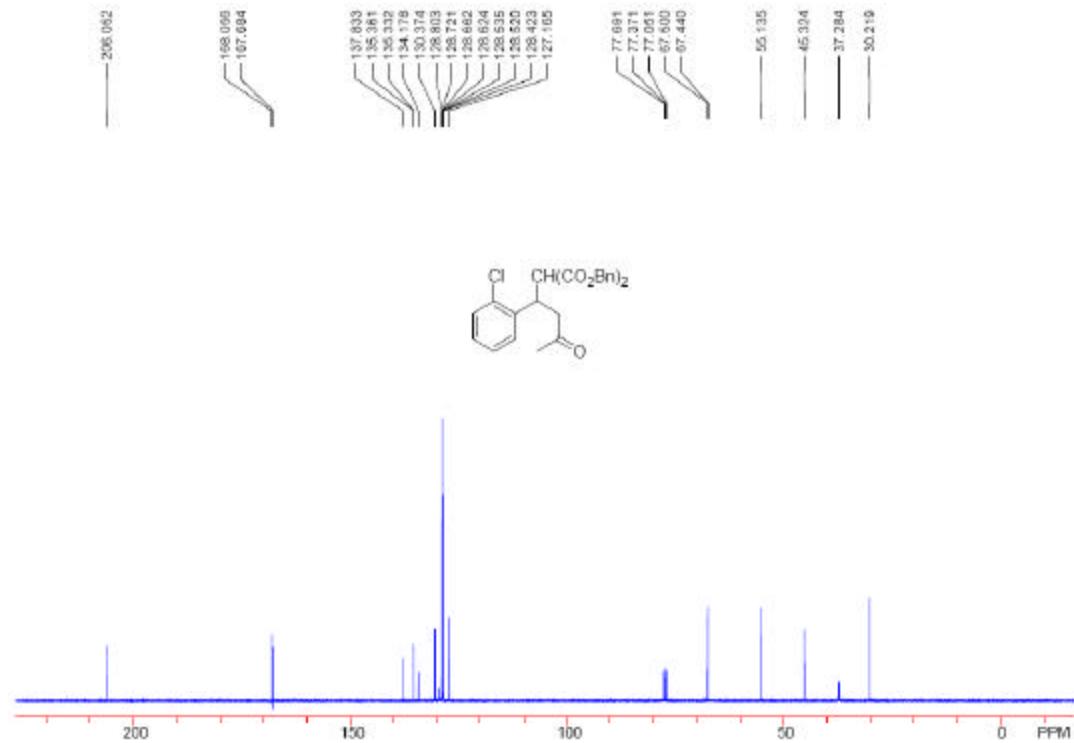
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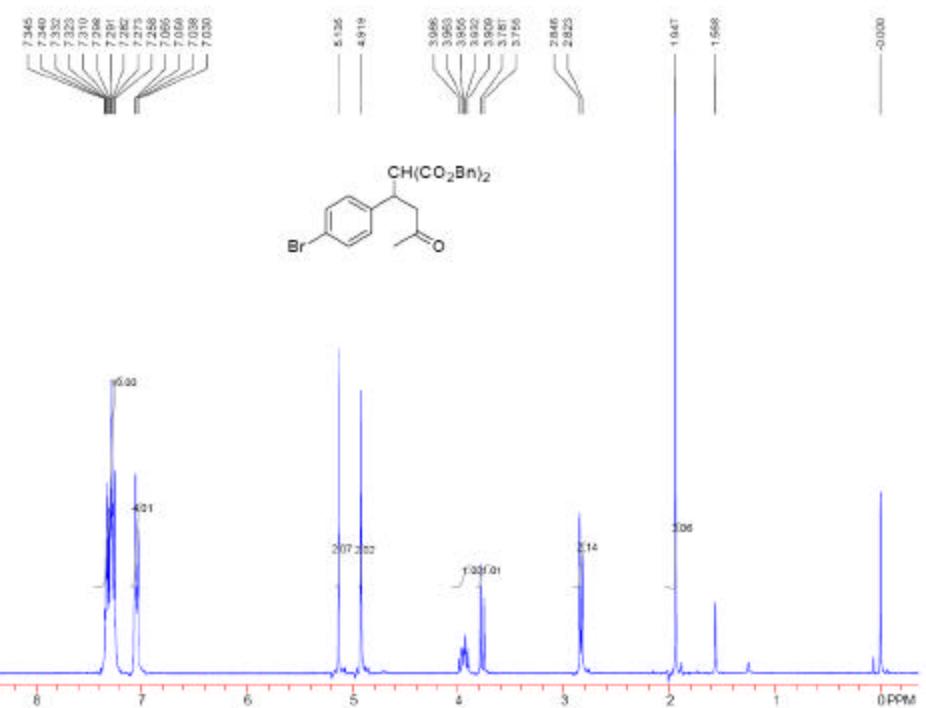
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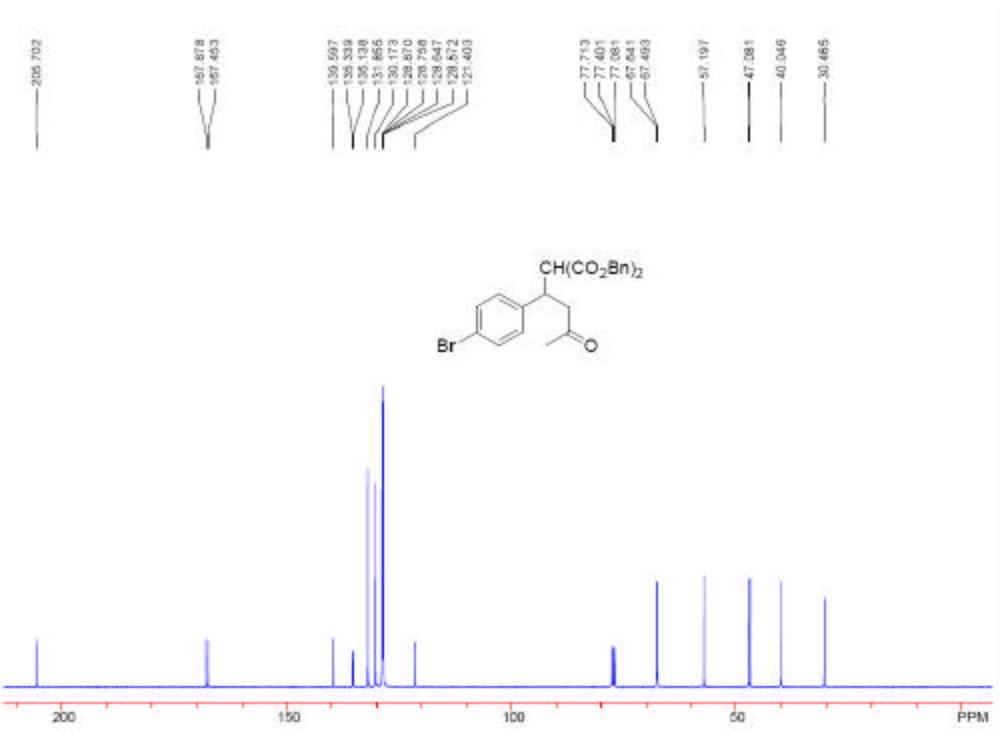
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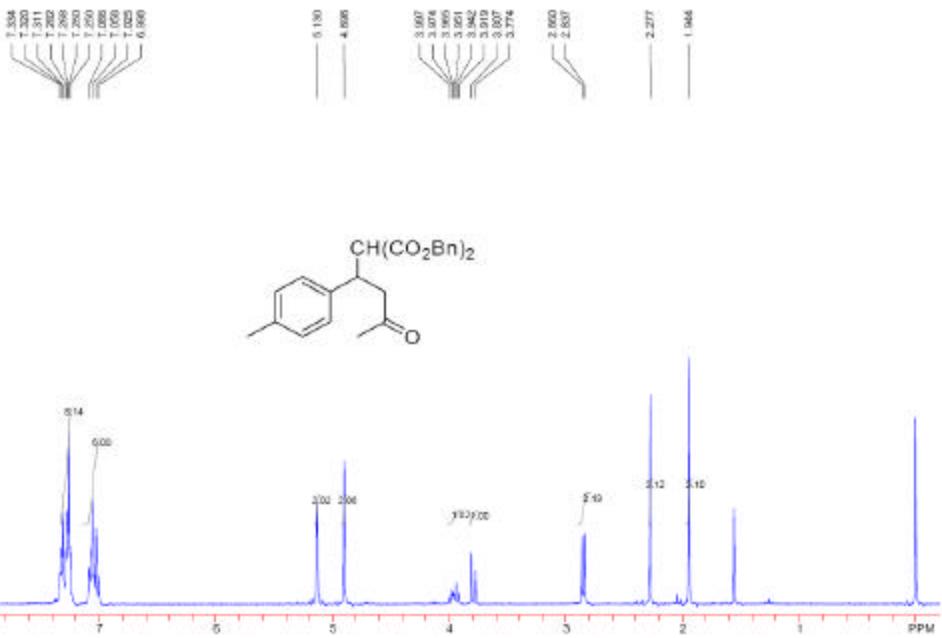
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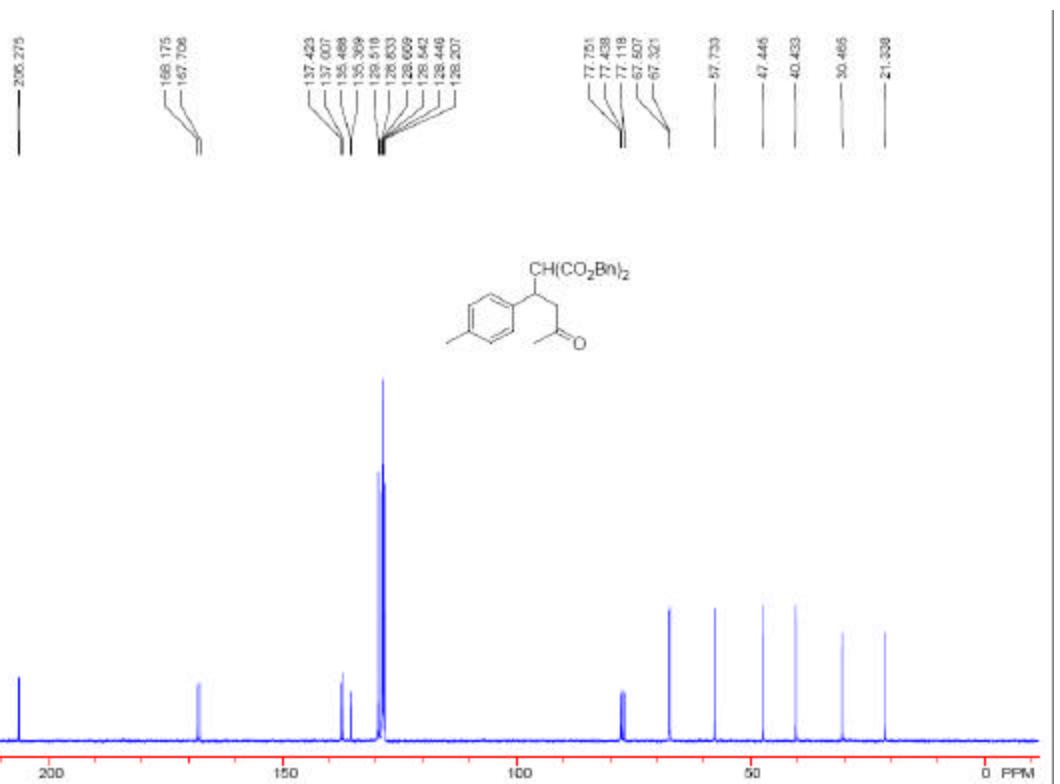
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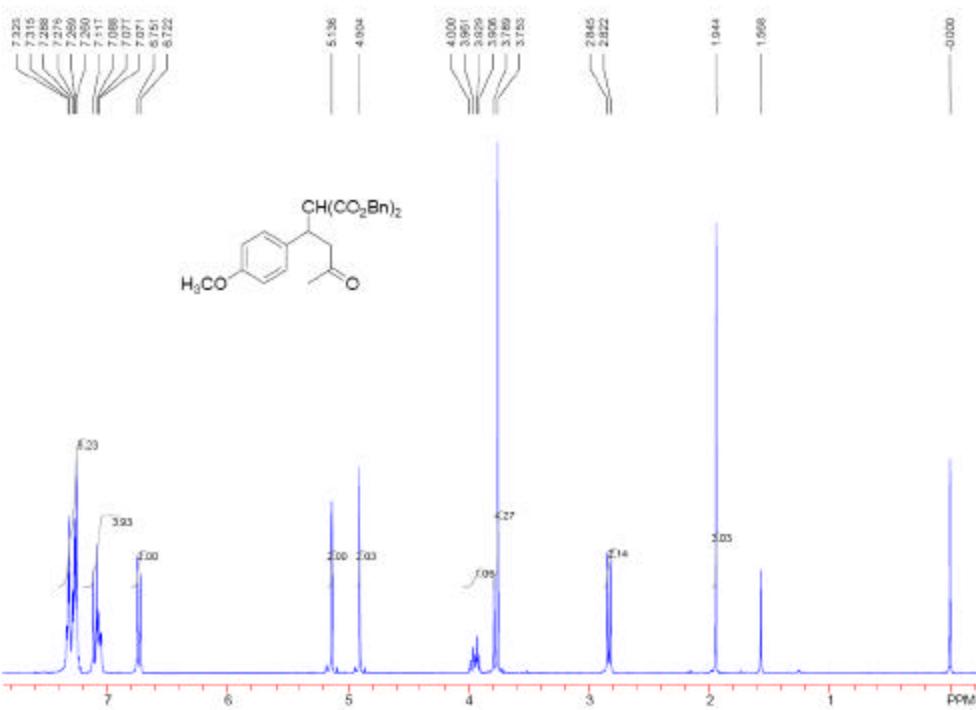
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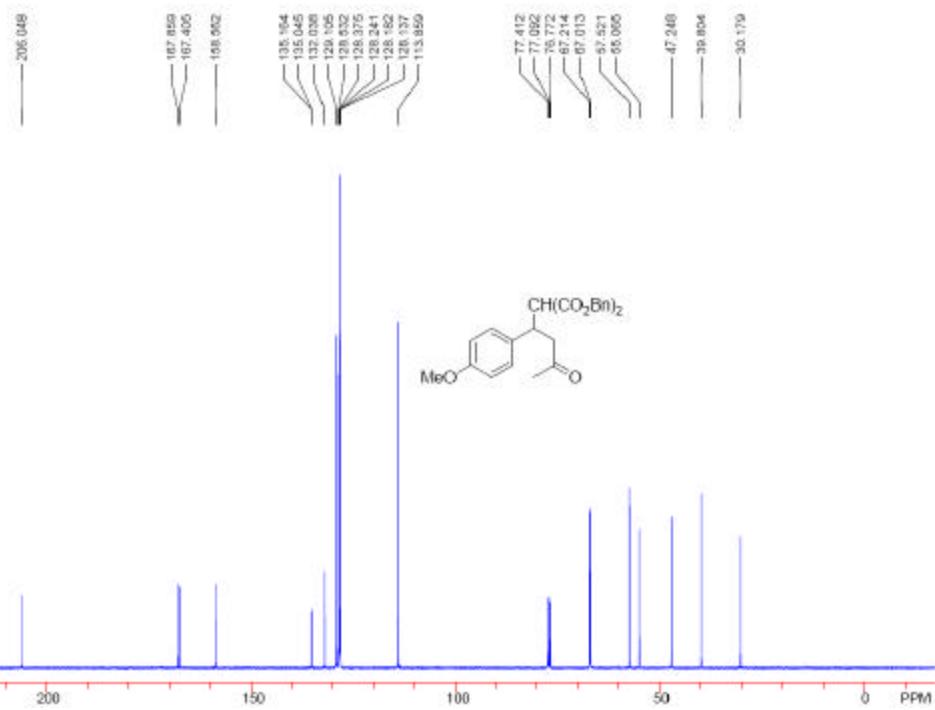
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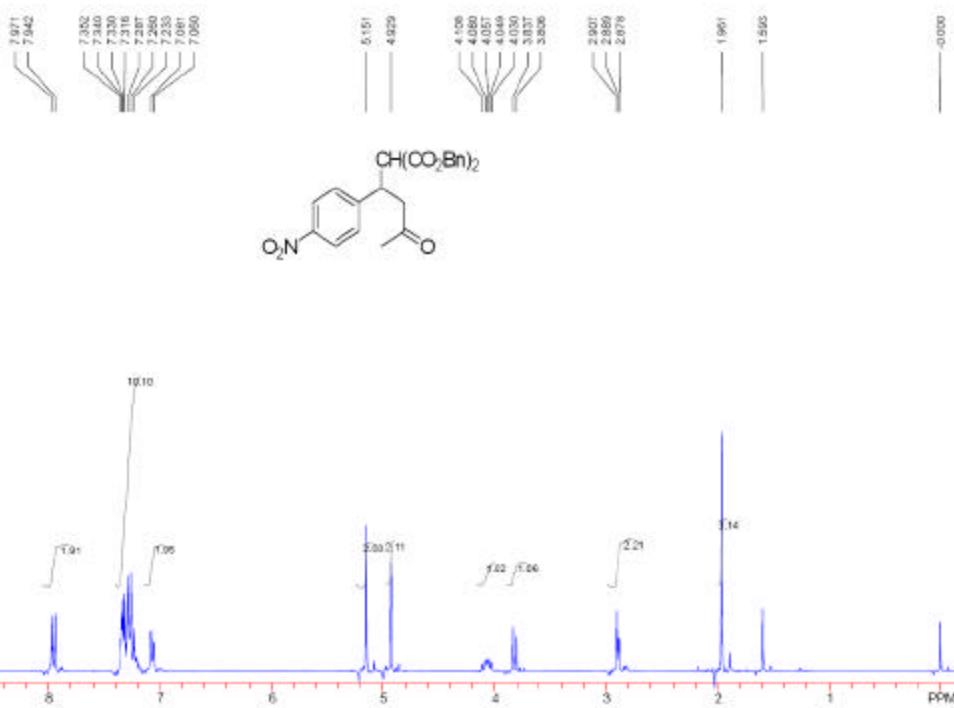
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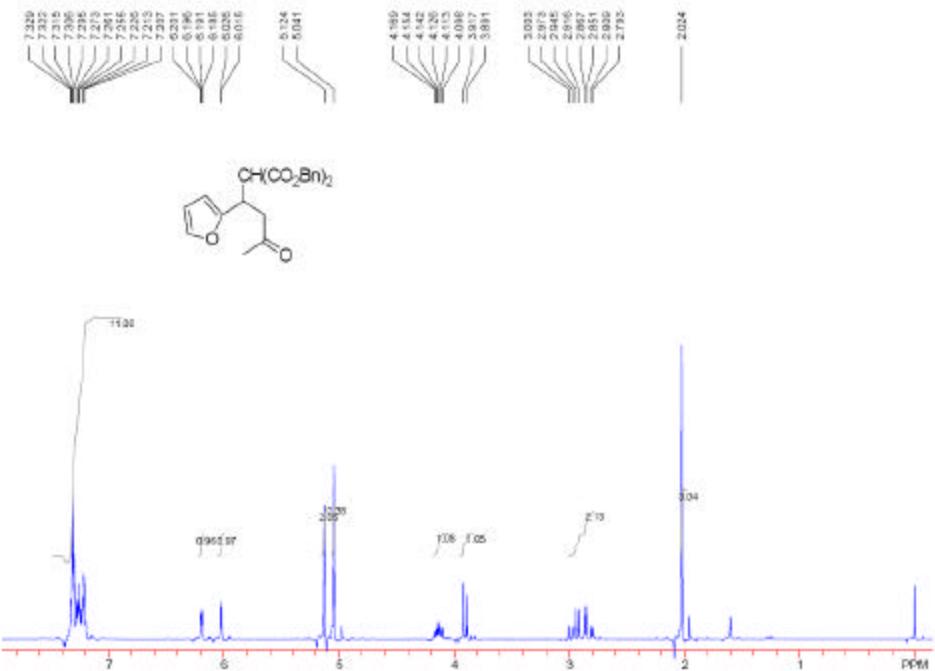
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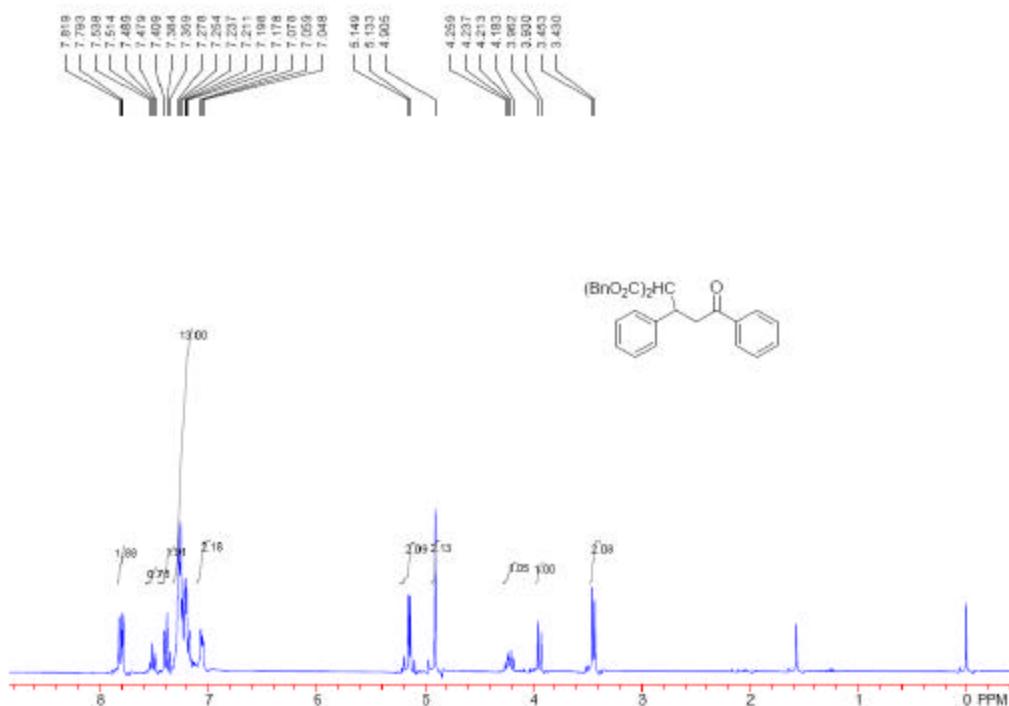
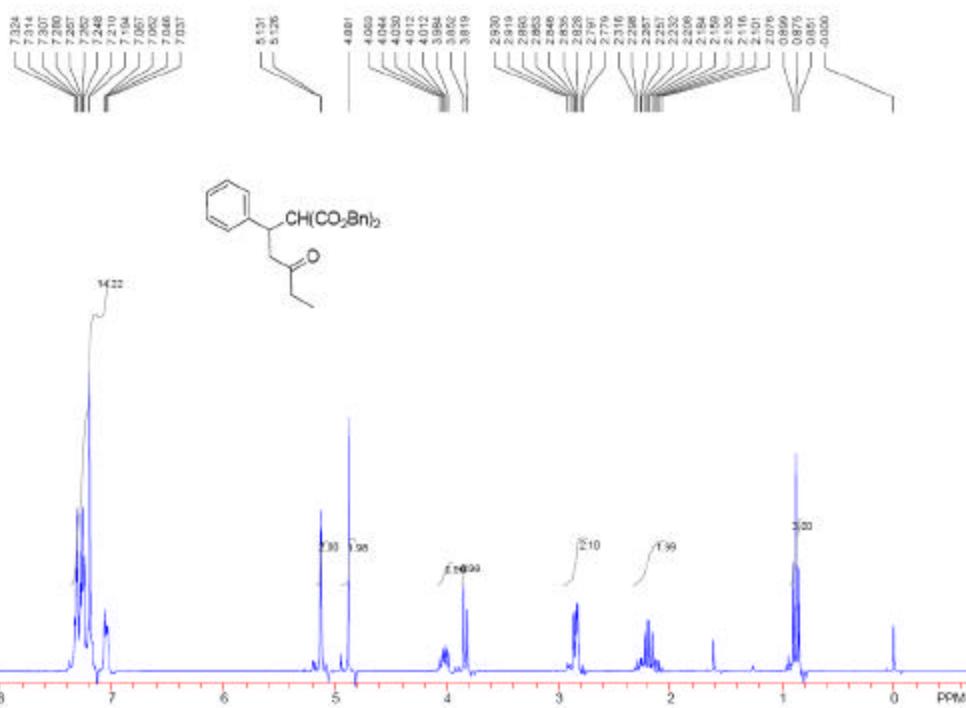
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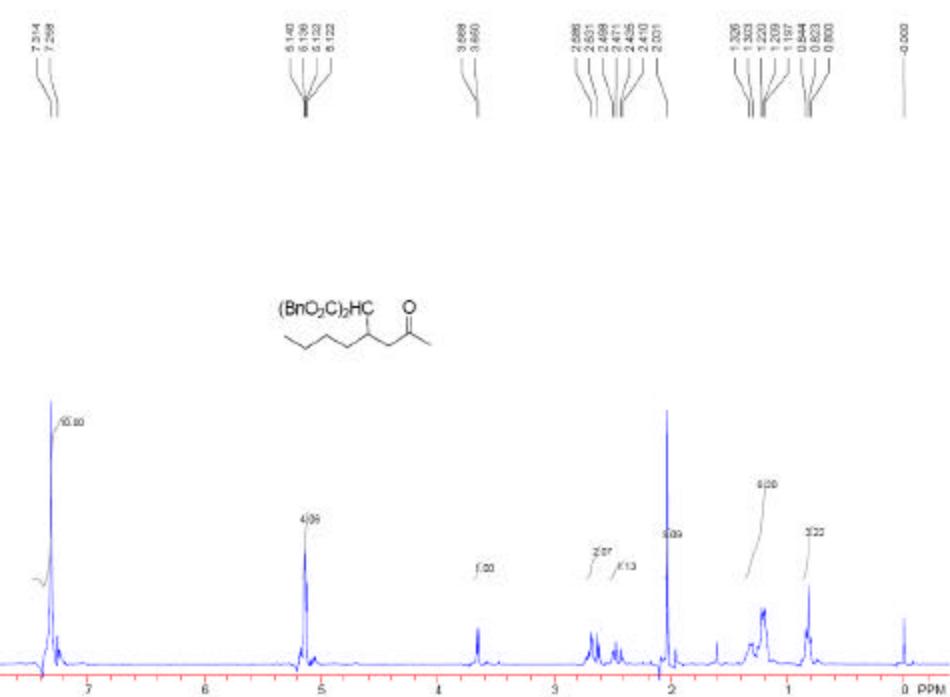


**4ek** (<sup>1</sup>H NMR)

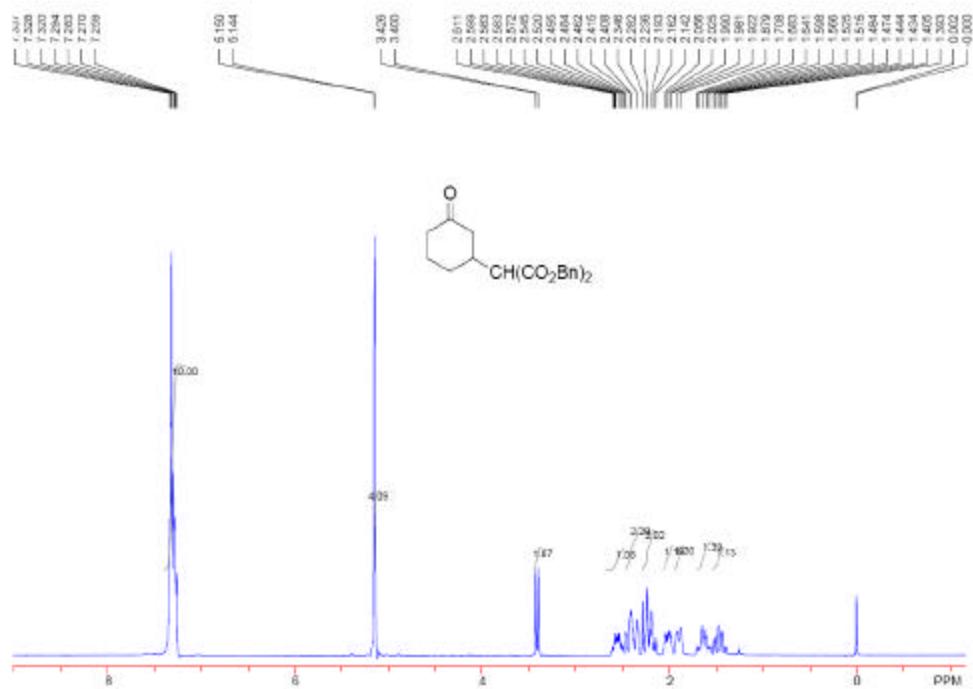


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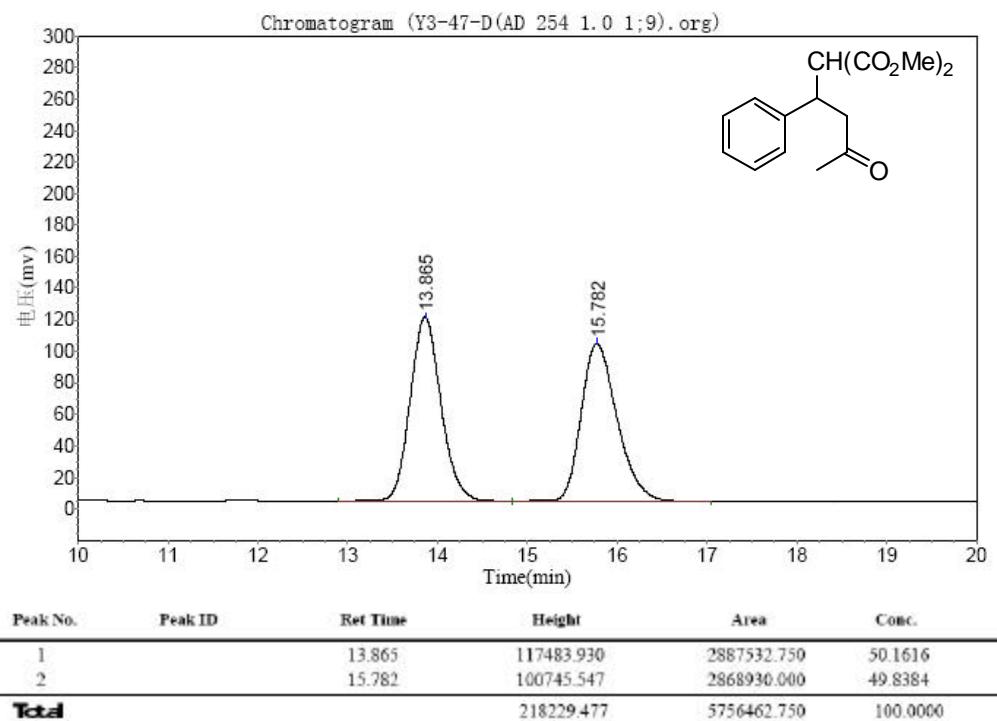


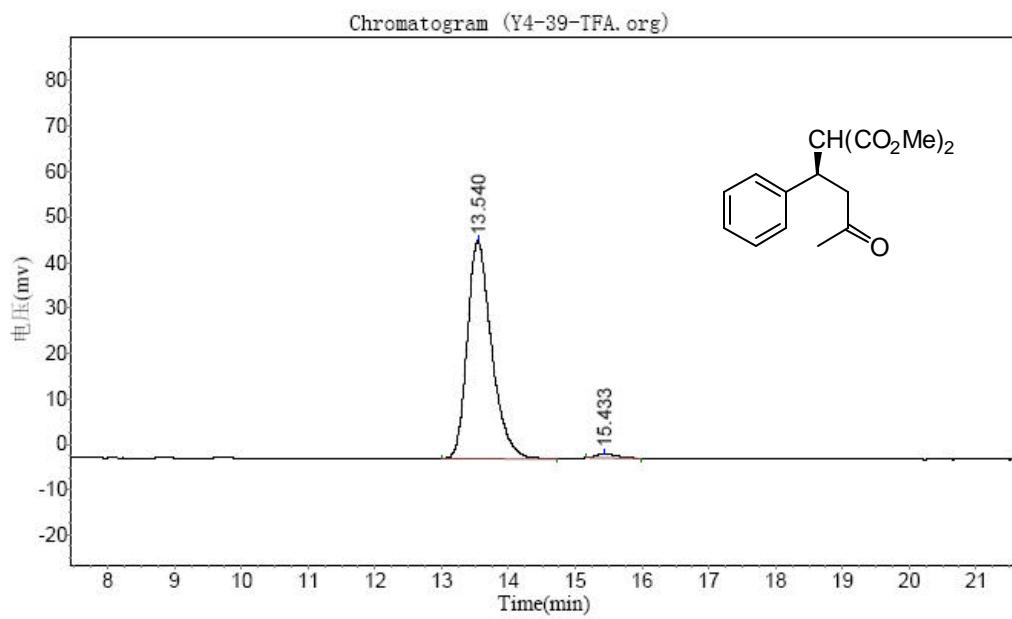
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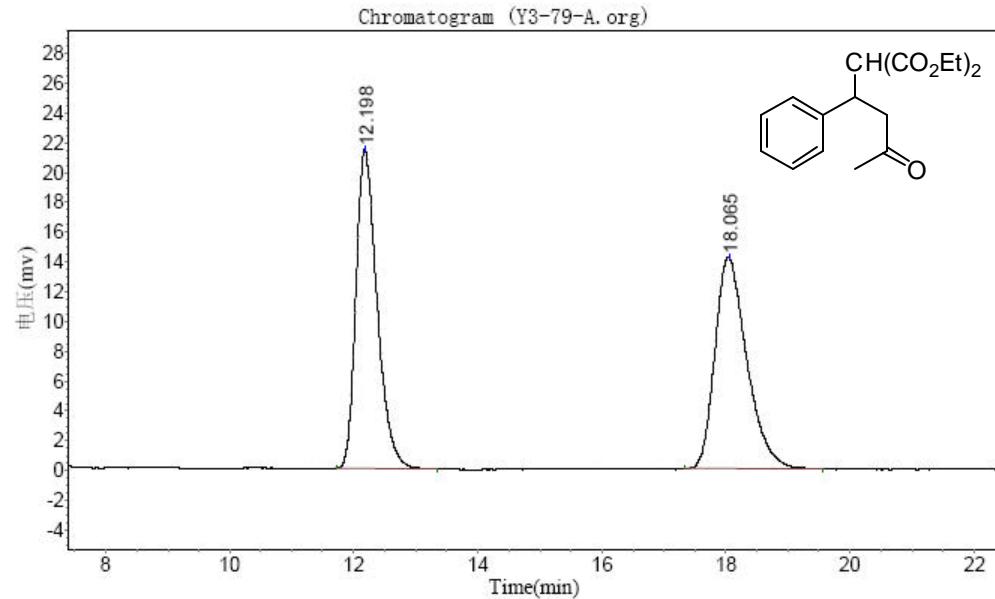
## HPLC spectra for compounds 4

### HPLC spectra for compound 4 aa

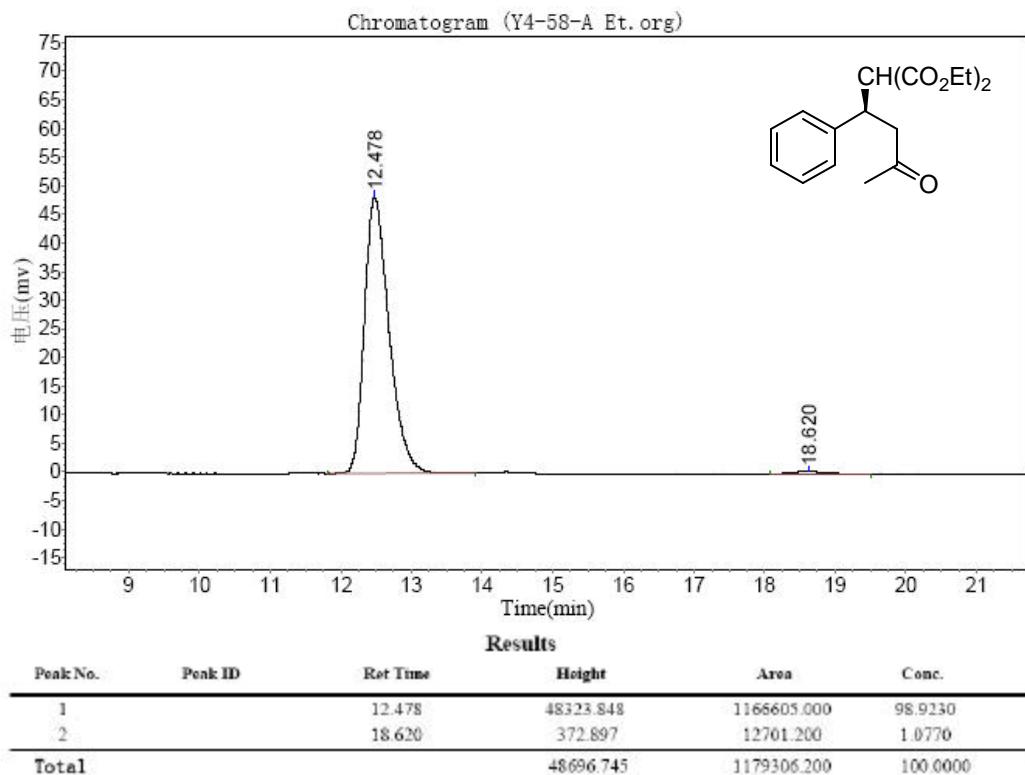




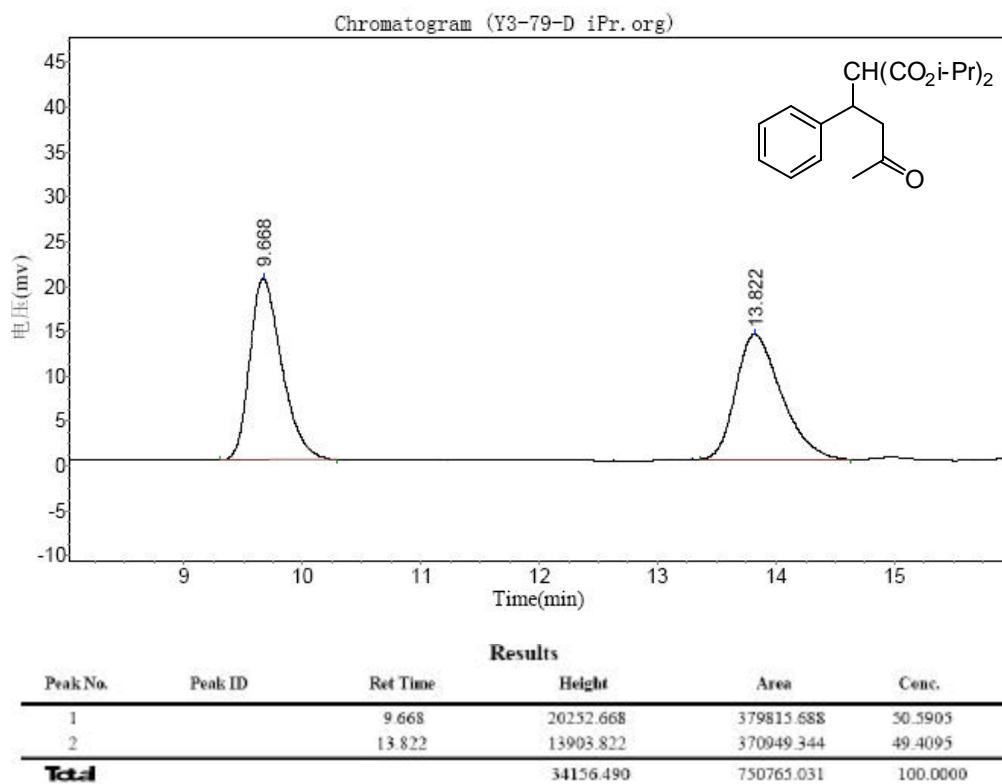
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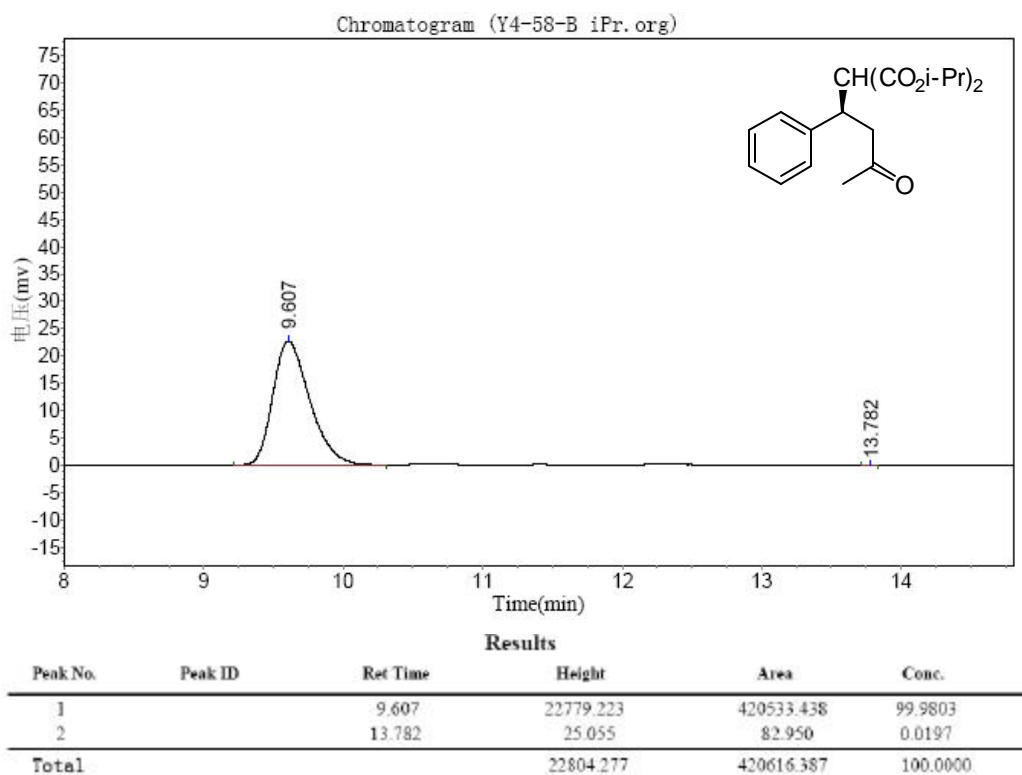


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1		12.198	21379.084	506225.000	50.0262
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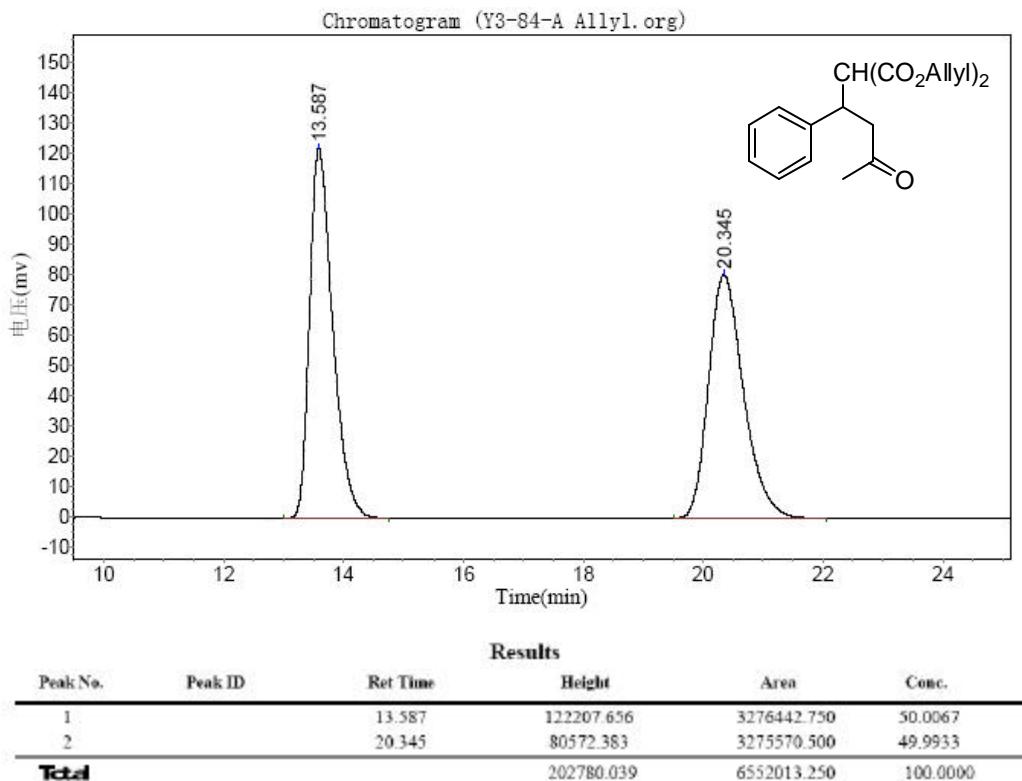


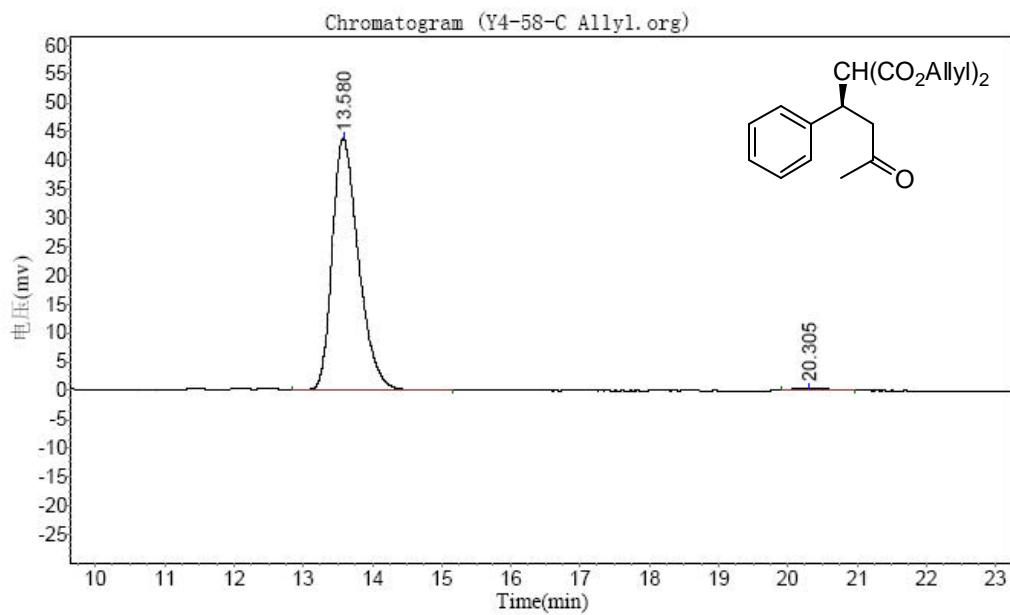
### HPLC spectra for compound **4ca**





### HPLC spectra for compound 4da

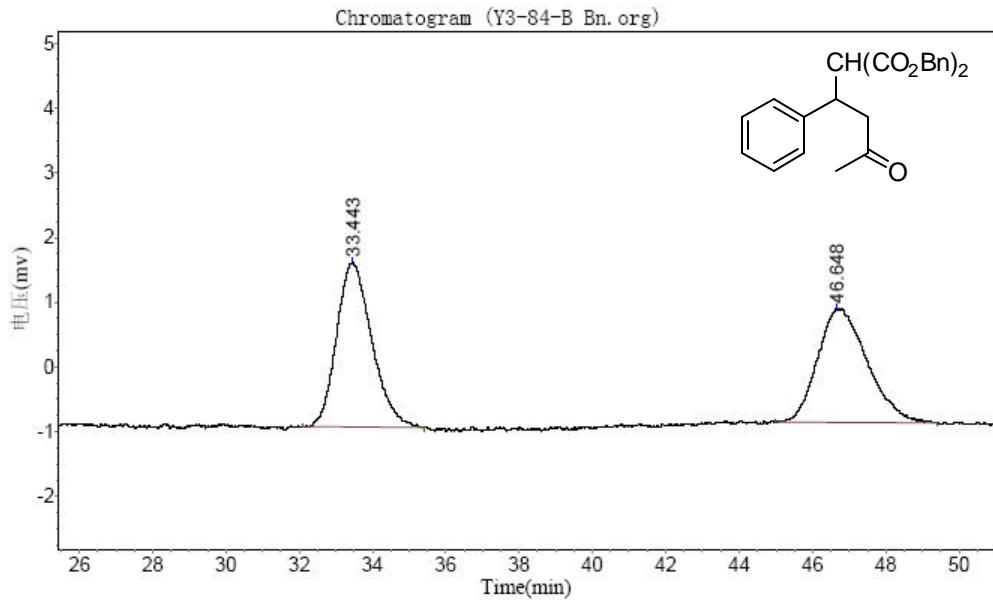




#### Results

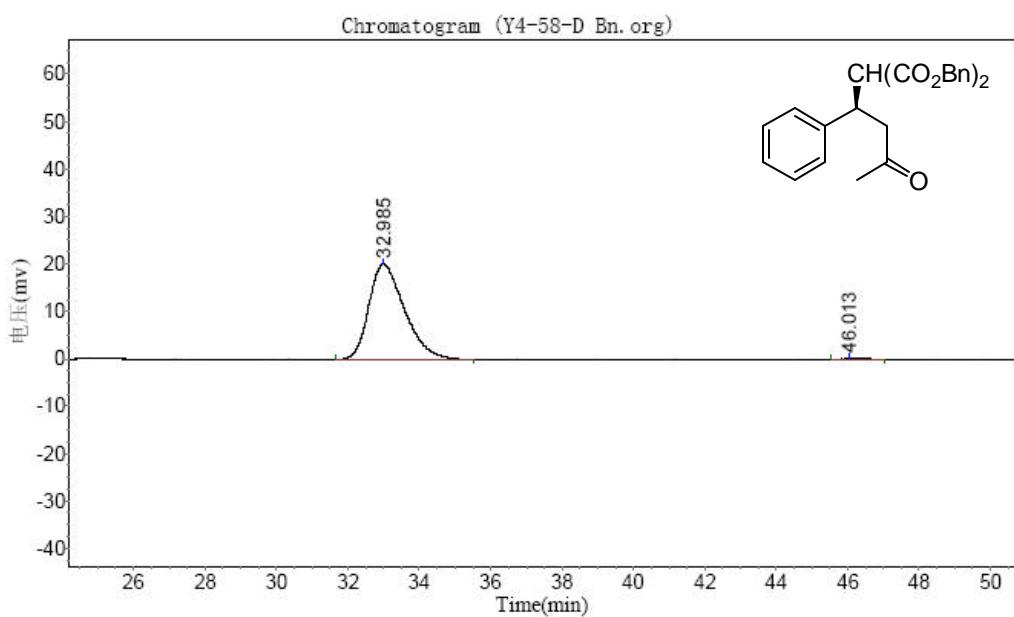
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1		13.580	43857.586	1157878.625	99.0593
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#### HPLC spectra for compound **4ea**



#### Results

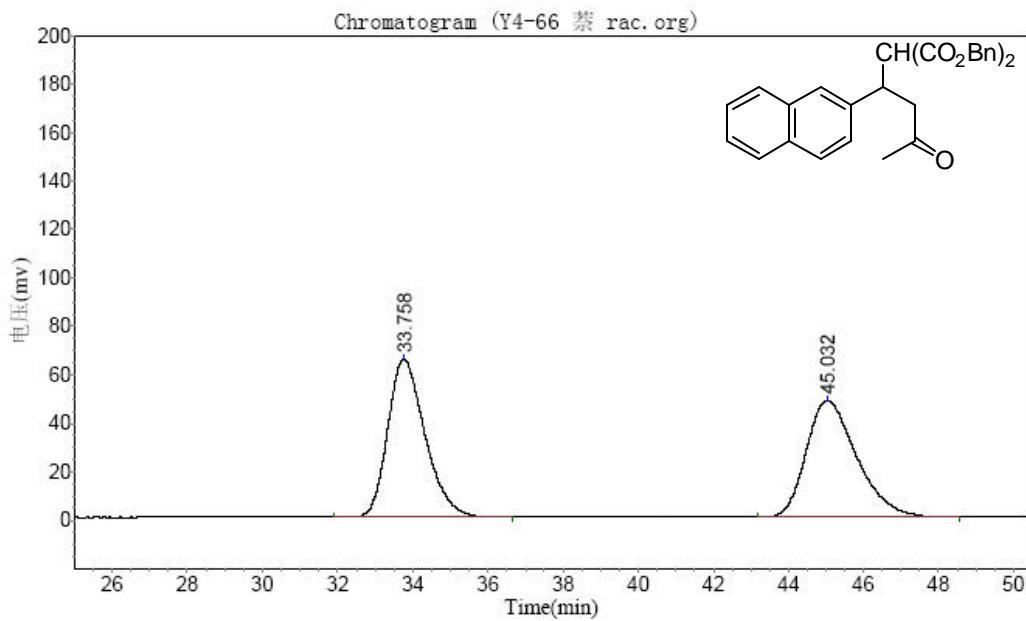
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Total			4290.079	332905.109	100.0000



### Results

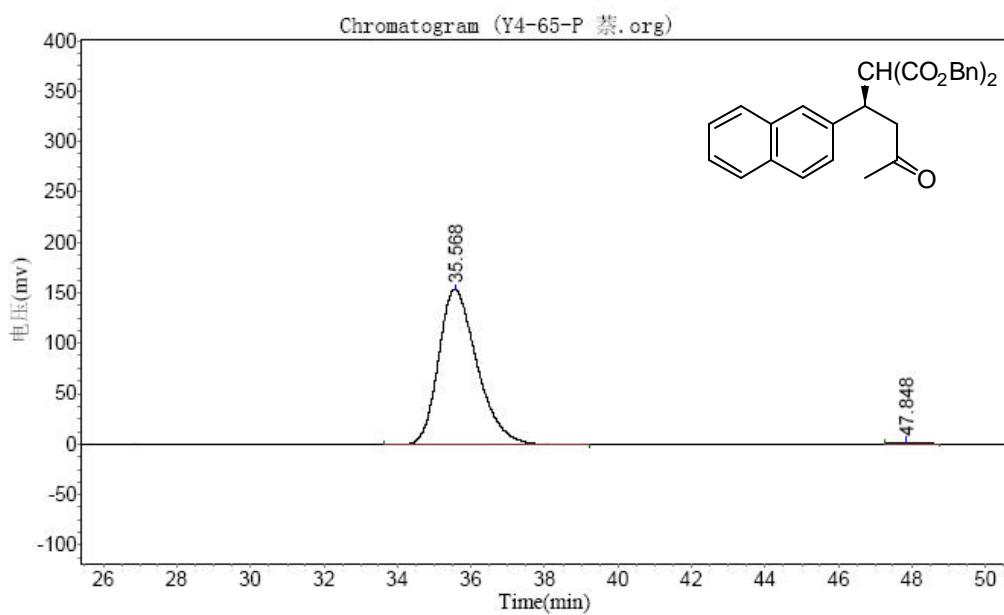
Peak No.	Peak ID	Ret Time	Height	Area	Conc.
1		32.985	20004.365	1381760.625	99.5969
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### HPLC spectra for compound 4eb

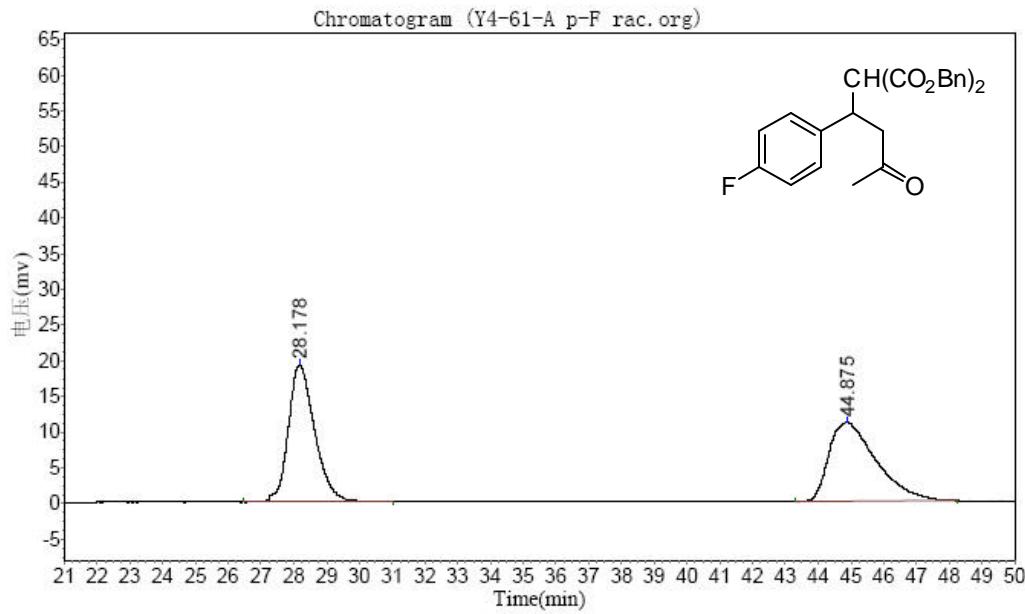


### Results

Peak No.	Peak ID	Ret Time	Height	Area	Conc.
1		33.758	65232.844	4513968.500	50.1079
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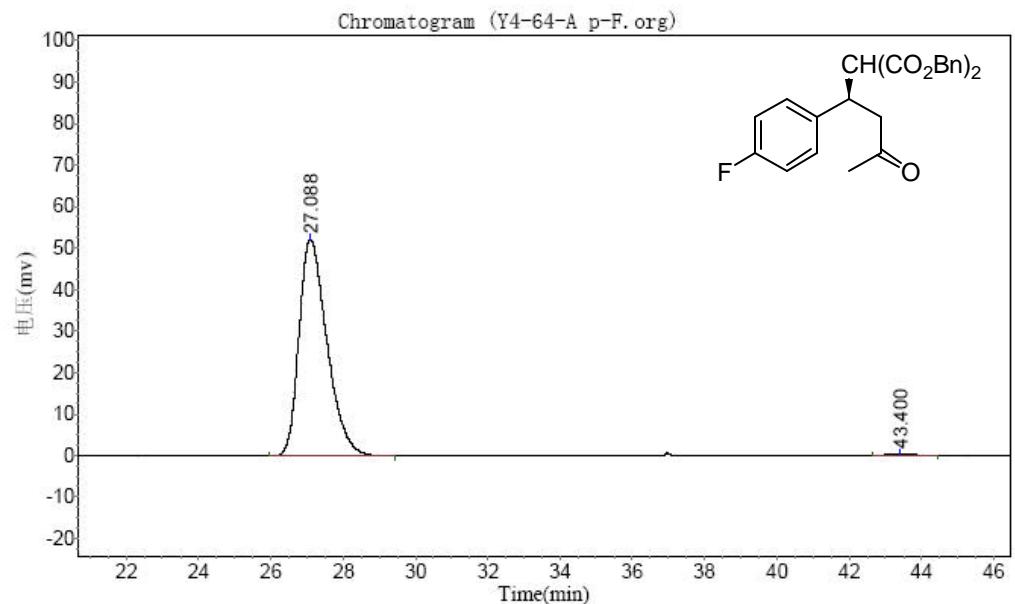


### HPLC spectra for compound **4ec**



**Results**

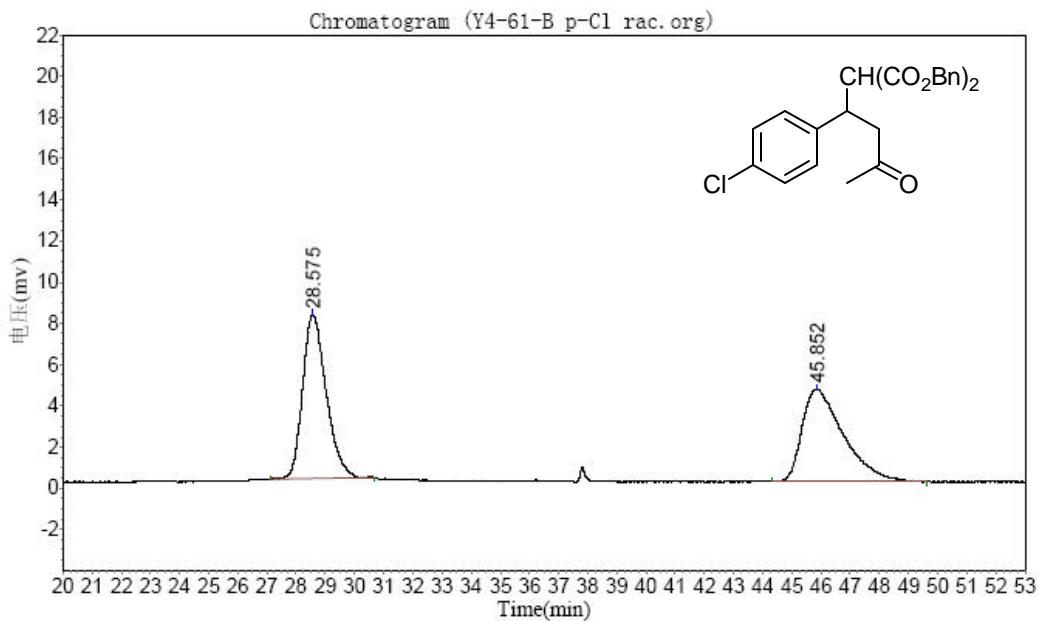
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1		28.178	19205.670	1067162.750	49.0936
2		44.875	11025.282	1106481.500	50.9044
Total			30230.952	2173644.250	100.0000



**Results**

Peak No.	Peak ID	Ret Time	Height	Area	Conc.
1		27.088	52287.852	2813233.250	99.3208
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Total			52597.535	2832470.549	100.0000

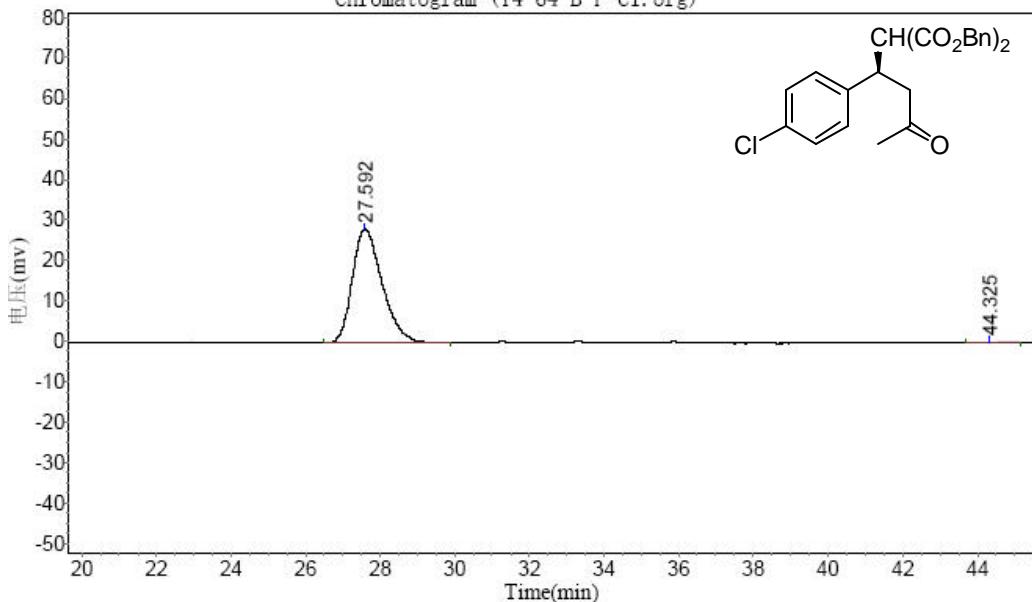
HPLC spectra for compound **4ed**



**Results**

Peak No.	Peak ID	Ret Time	Height	Area	Conc.
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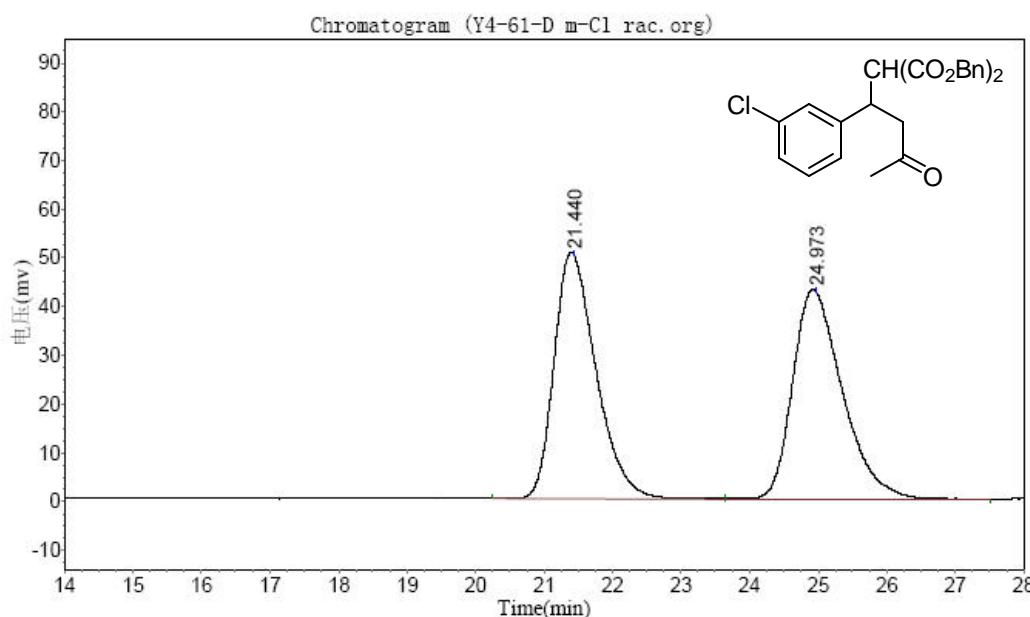
Chromatogram (Y4-64-B P-Cl.org)



**Results**

Peak No.	Peak ID	Ret Time	Height	Area	Conc.
1		27.592	28183.439	1570904.625	99.7189
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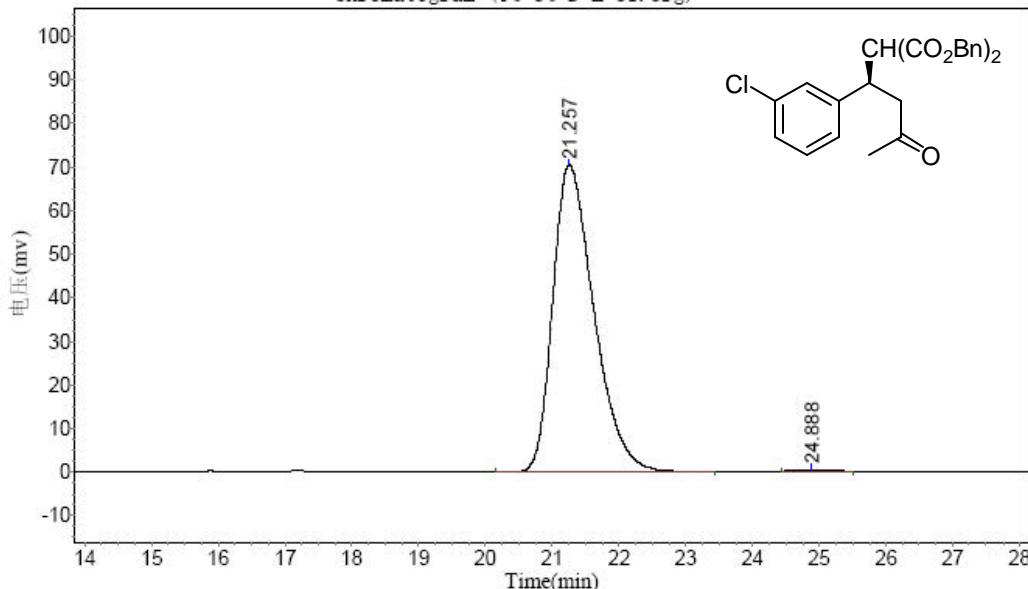
### HPLC spectra for compound **4ee**



**Results**

Peak No.	Peak ID	Ret Time	Height	Area	Conc.
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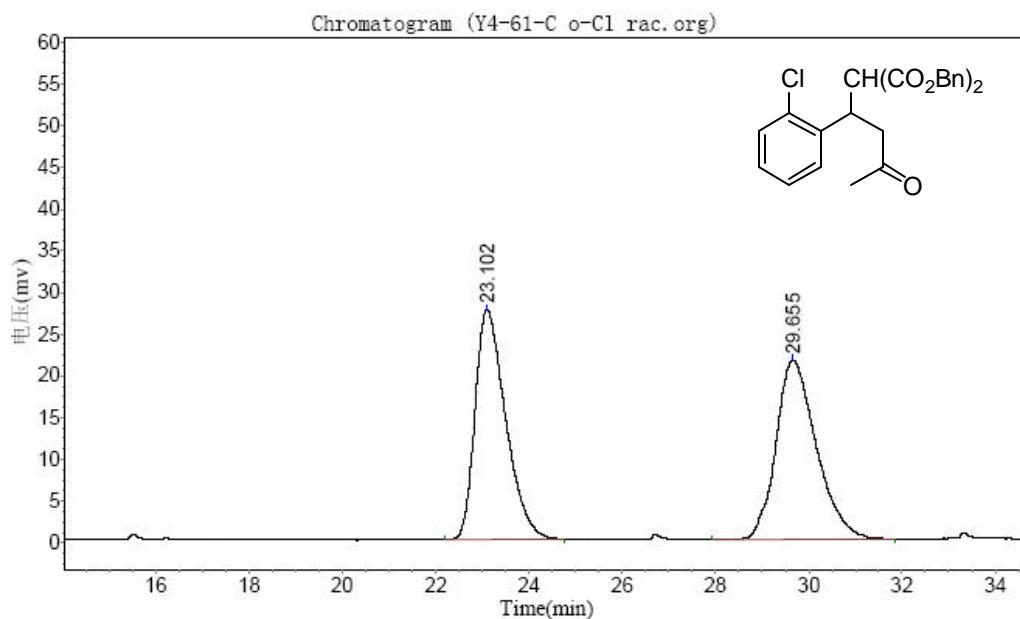
Chromatogram (Y4-64-D m-Cl.org)



**Results**

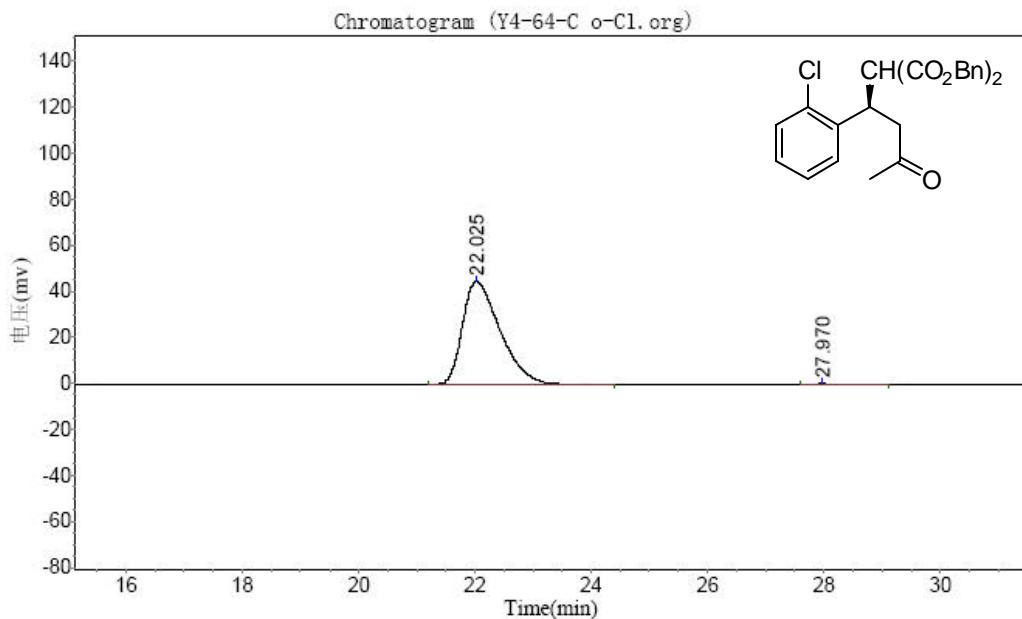
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2		24.888	396.798	14390.699	0.4733
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HPLC spectra for compound **4ef**



**Results**

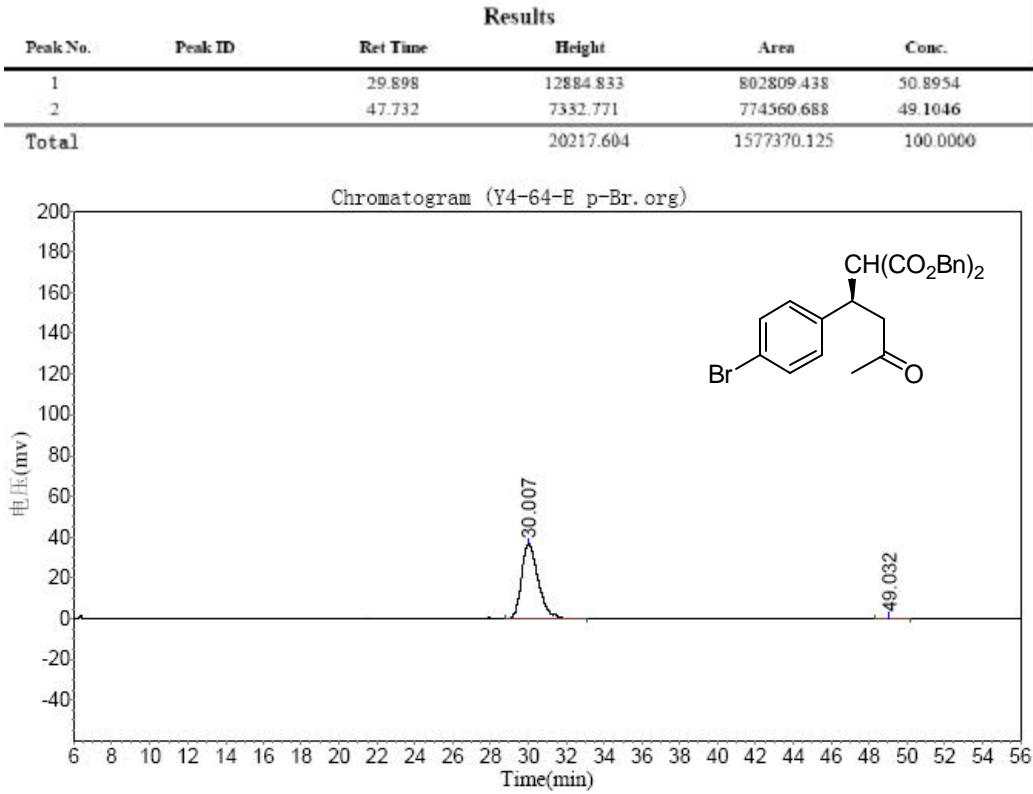
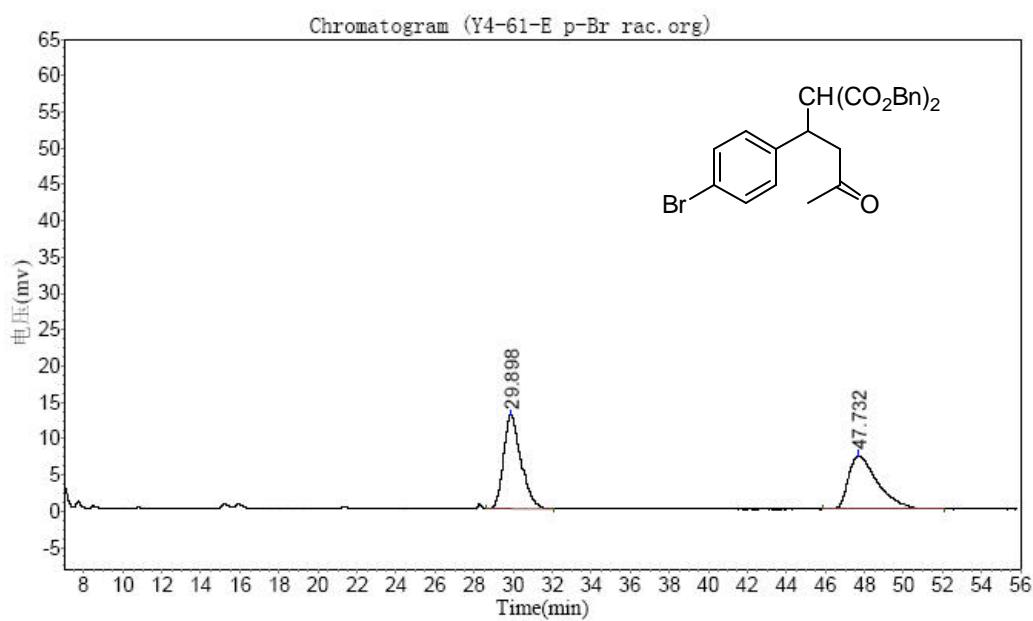
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Total			48989.094	2548420.750	100.0000



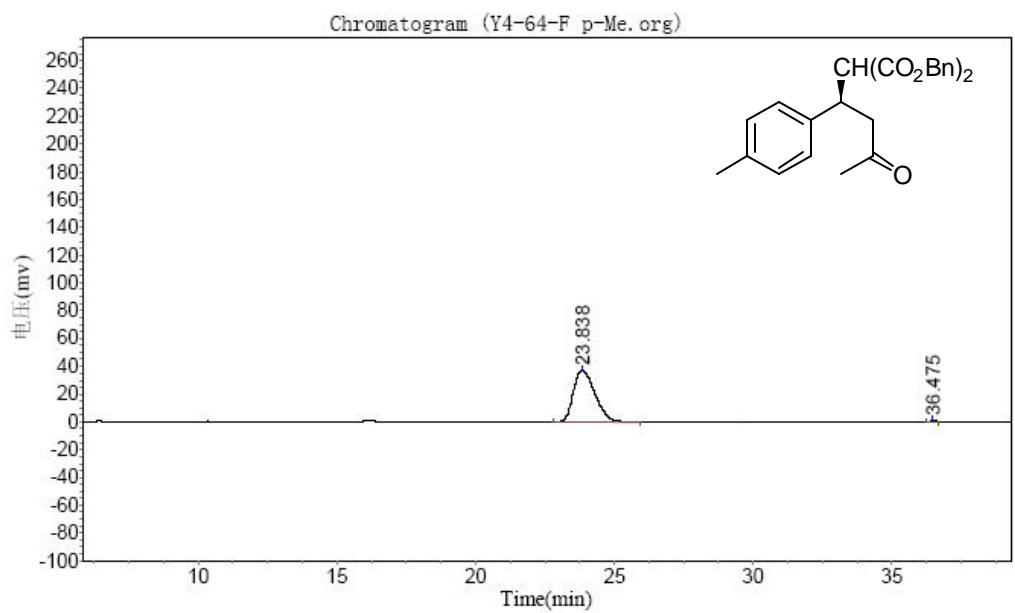
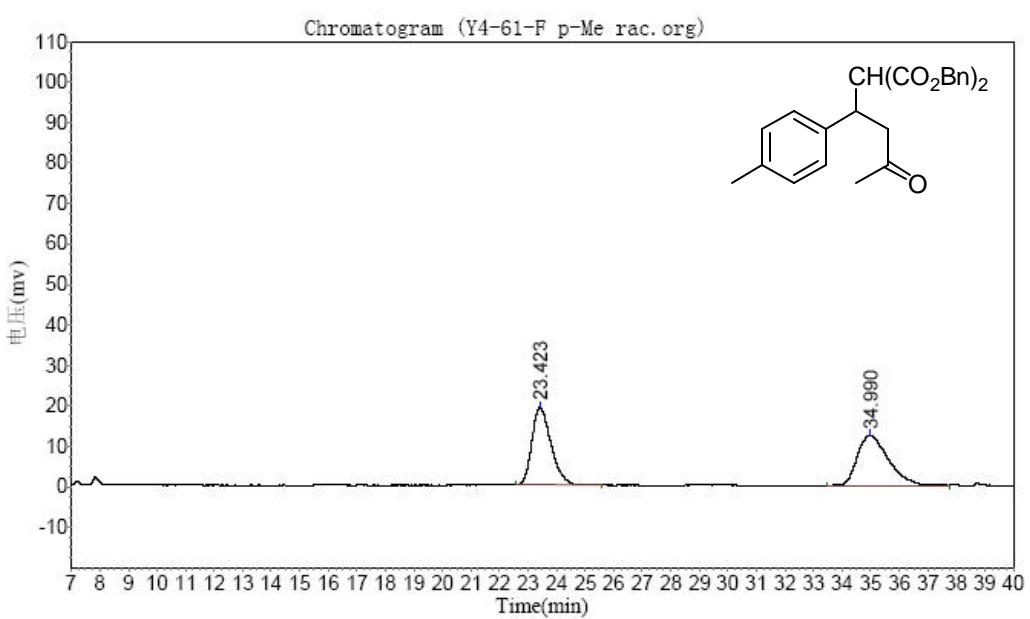
**Results**

Peak No.	Peak ID	Ref Time	Height	Area	Conc.
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HPLC spectra for compound **4eg**



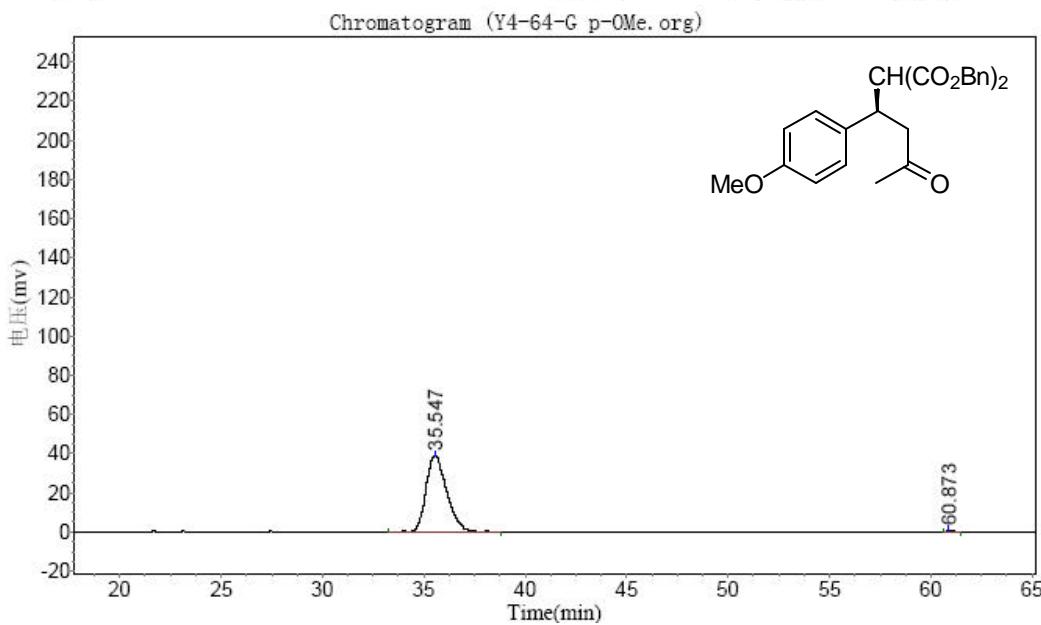
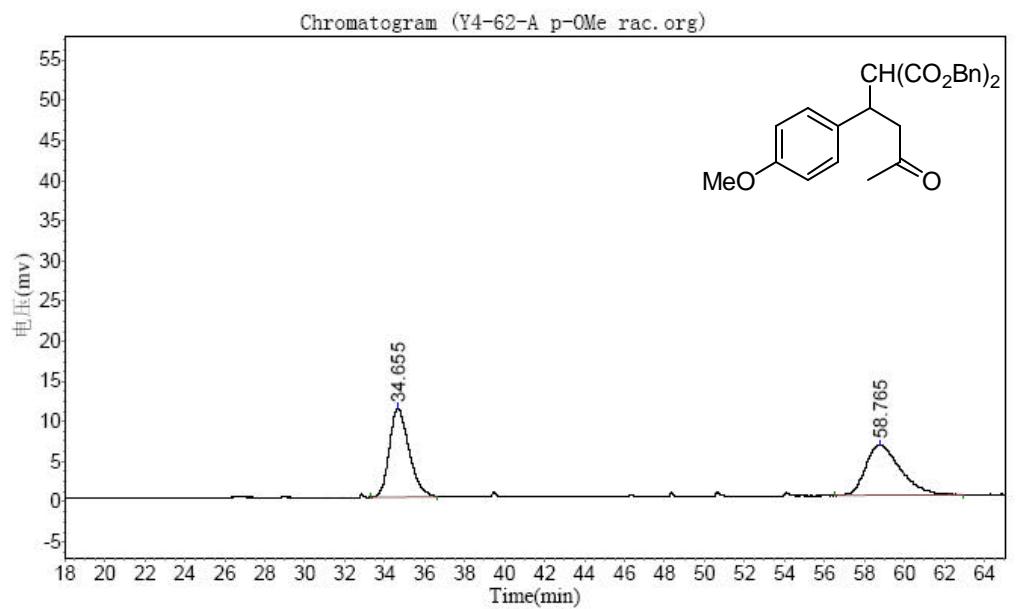
HPLC spectra for compound **4eh**



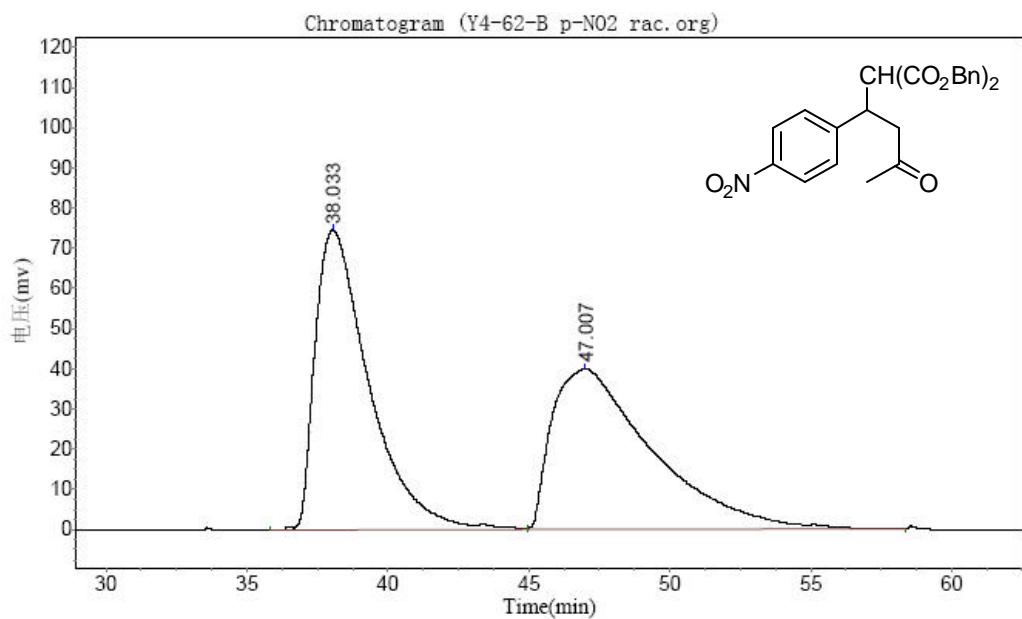
Results

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1		23.838	36614.727	2021049.125	99.7360
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HPLC spectra for compound **4ei**

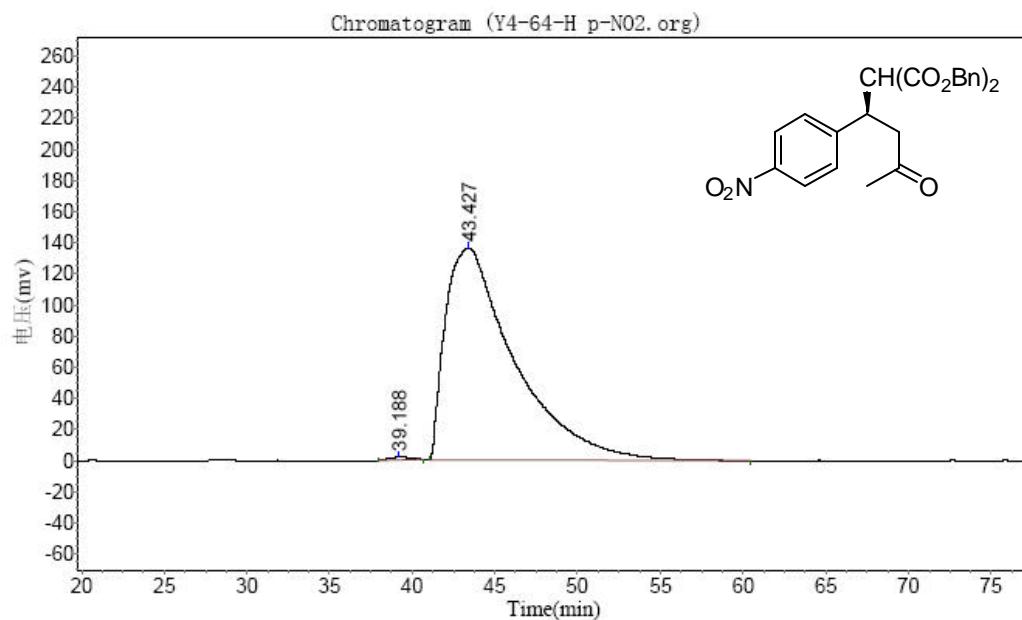


HPLC spectra for compound **4ej**



#### Results

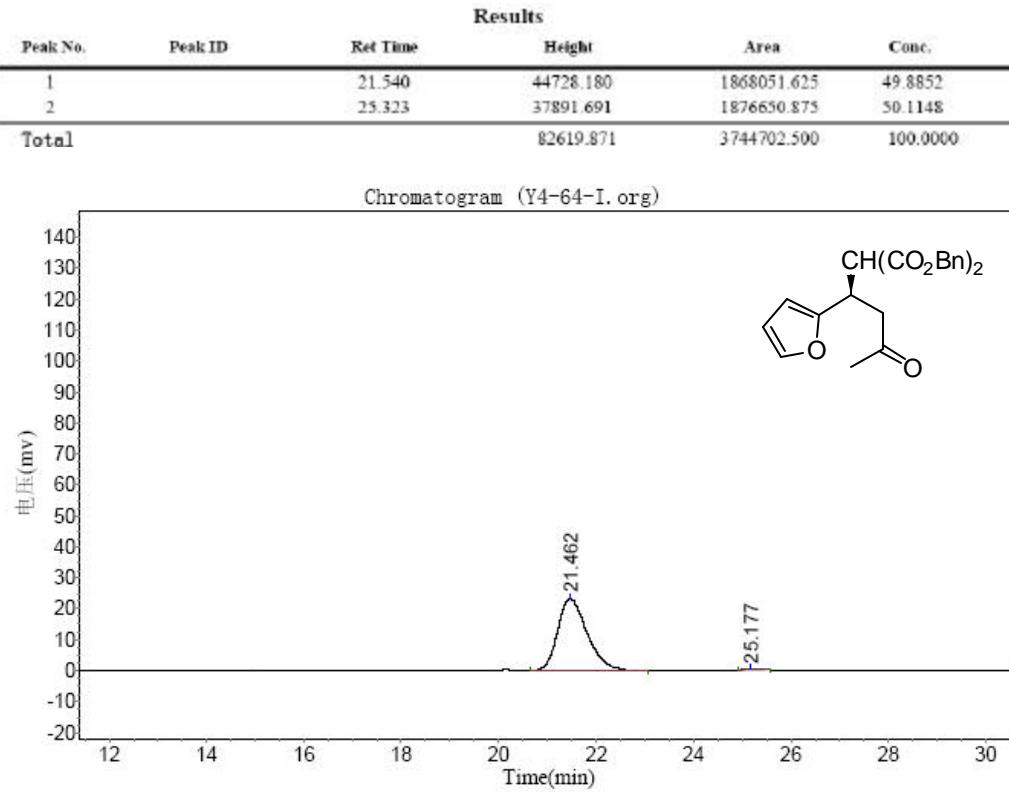
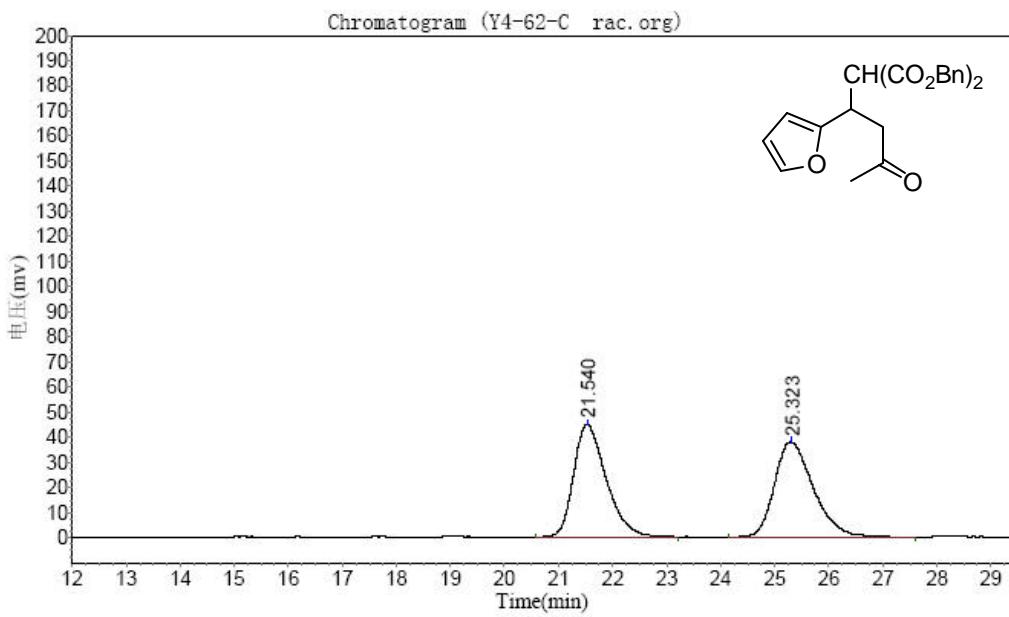
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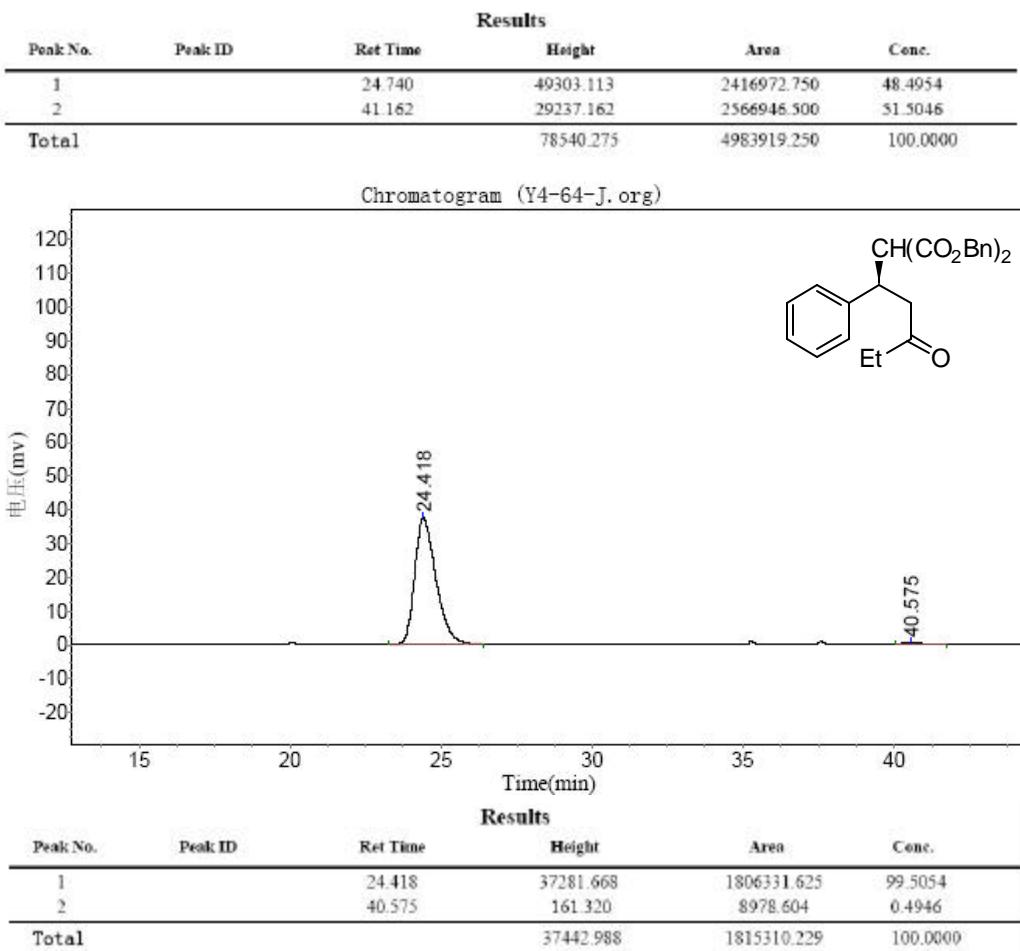
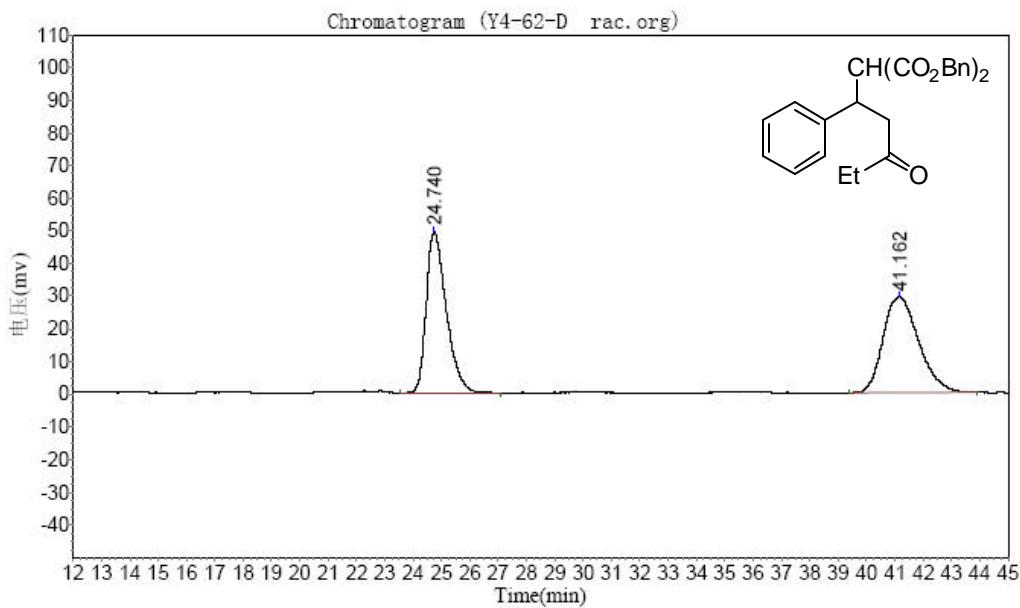
#### Results

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HPLC spectra for compound **4ek**

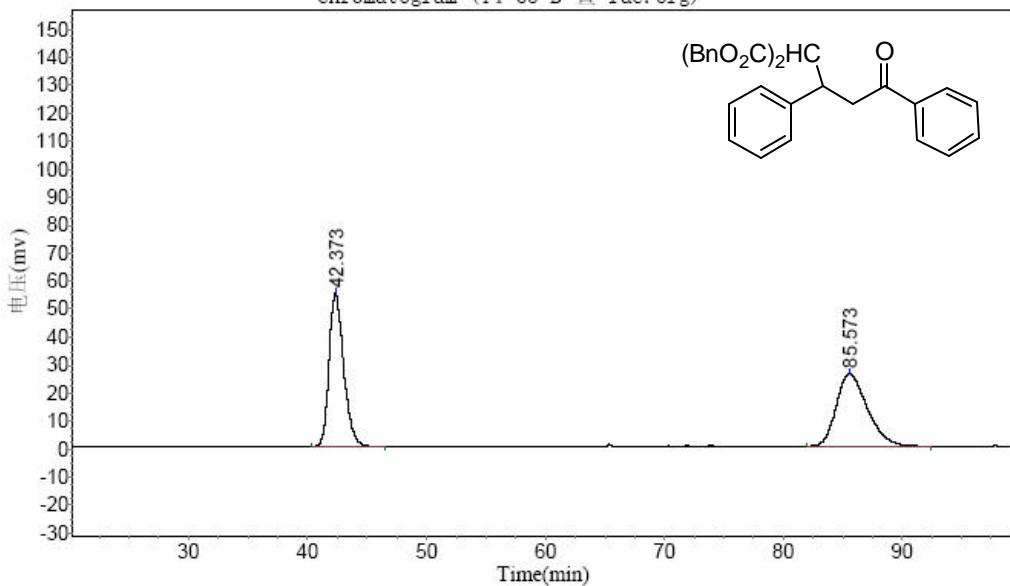


HPLC spectra for compound **4e1**



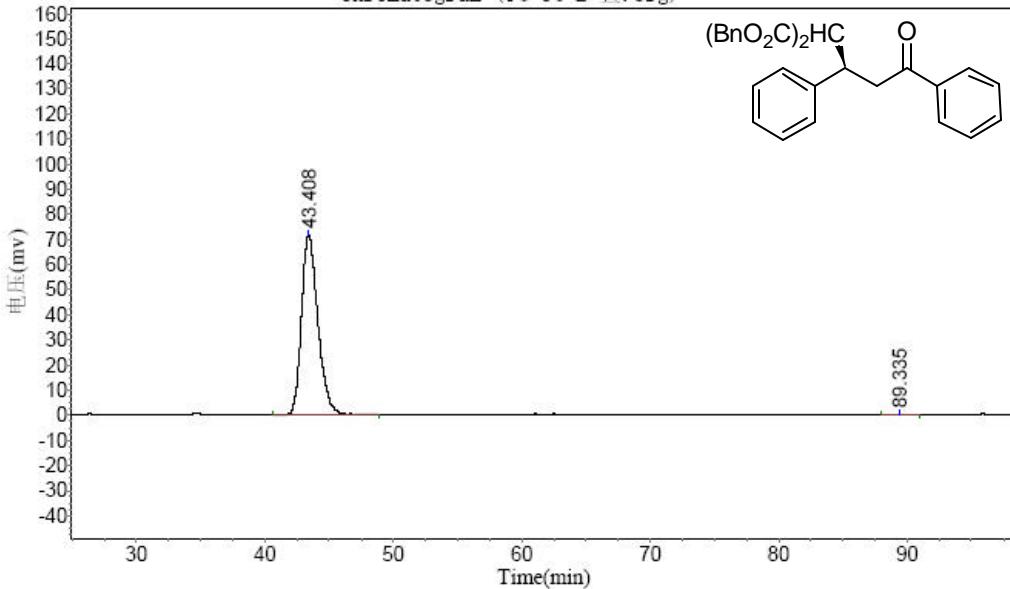
HPLC spectra for compound **4em**

Chromatogram (Y4-63-B 查 rac.org)

**Results**

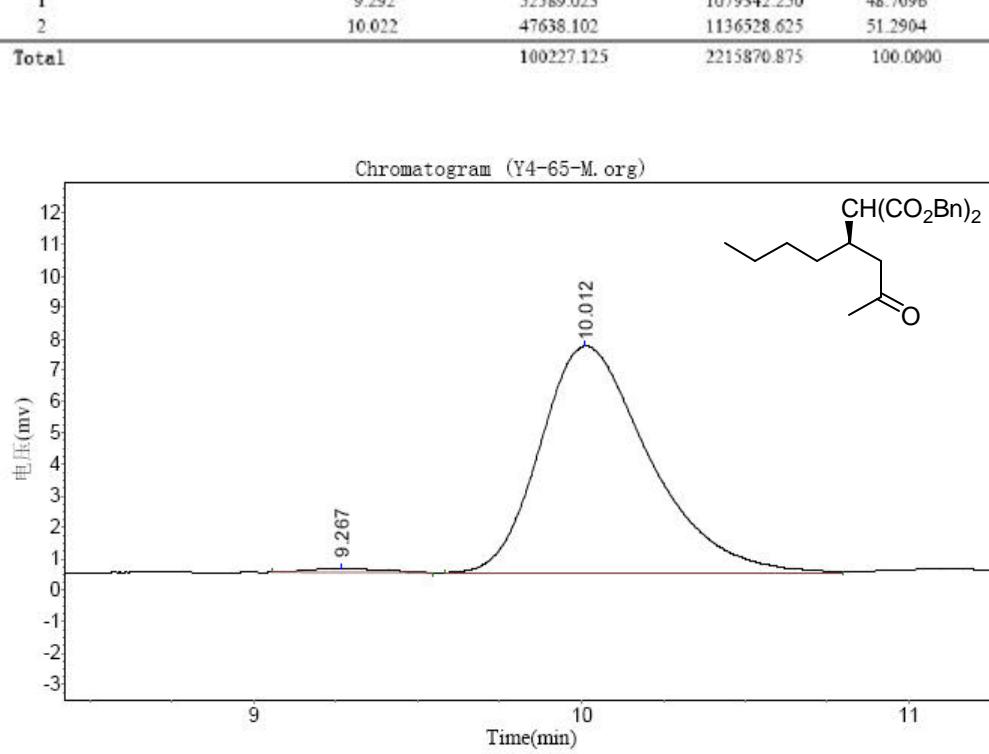
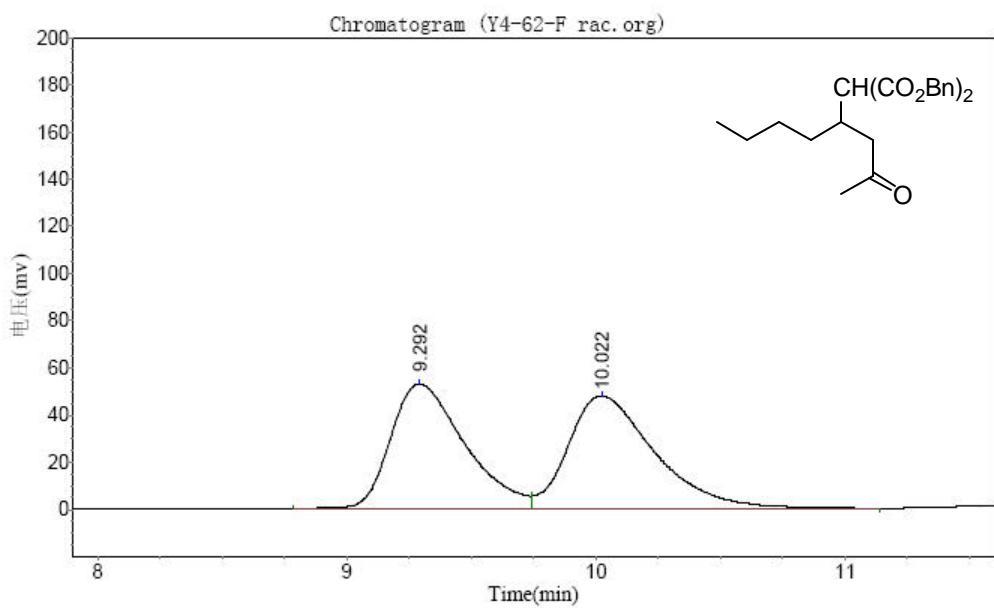
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2		85.573	23924.840	4731344.500	50.3055
<b>Total</b>			80523.828	9405218.000	100.0000

Chromatogram (Y4-64-L 查. org)

**Results**

Peak No.	Peak ID	Ret Time	Height	Area	Conc.
1		43.408	71452.352	6306455.500	99.8190
2		89.335	122.231	11432.351	0.1810
<b>Total</b>			71574.582	6317887.851	100.0000

HPLC spectra for compound **4en**



HPLC spectra for compound **4eo**

