Supporting Information

High-Load, ROMP-Generated Oligomeric *Bis*-Acid Chlorides: Design of Soluble and Insoluble Nucleophile Scavengers

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Experimental Section

General Methods. All reactions were carried out under argon in oven-dried or flame-dried glassware unless stated otherwise. CH₂Cl₂ was purified by passage through the Solv-Tek purification system employing activated Al₂O₃. Thin layer chromatography was performed on silica gel 60F₂₅₄ plates (EM-5717, Merck). ¹H NMR spectra were recorded in CDCl₃ (unless stated otherwise) on a Bruker DRX-400 spectrometer operating at 400 MHz; or a Bruker Avance-500 spectrometer operating at 500 MHz and referenced to residual solvent protons. Capillary gas chromatography was performed on a Hewlett-Packard HP 6890 gas chromatograph.

ROMP Procedure for the generation of the oligomeric *bis***-acid chlorides (OBACs)**

 2G OBAC $_{100}$ ($\mathbf{2a}$): In a round-bottom flask, *trans*-bicyclo[2.2.1]hept-5-ene-2,3-dicarbonyl dichloride ($\mathbf{1}$) (3.6 g, 16.4 mmol) was dissolved in degassed (argon) CH $_2$ Cl $_2$ (164 mL). To this solution, was added the 2^{nd} generation Grubbs metathesis catalyst (138 mg, 0.164 mmol). The reaction was refluxed under argon and monitored by TLC analysis. Once the polymerization was completed, the reaction was quenched with ethyl vinyl ether (3.0 mL) over a 30 min period. The mixture was reduced to $1/5^{th}$ the original volume and added dropwise into 200 mL of dry Et $_2$ O to induce precipitation. Subsequent filtration produced the 2G OBAC $_{100}$ $\mathbf{2a}$ as a light-brown solid.

 $^{1G}\text{OBAC}_{40}$ (**2b**): In a round-bottom flask, *trans*-bicyclo[2.2.1]hept-5-ene-2,3-dicarbonyl dichloride (**1**) (3.0 g, 13.7 mmol) was dissolved in degassed (argon) CH₂Cl₂ (137 mL). To this solution, was added the 1st generation Grubbs metathesis catalyst (281 mg, 0.34 mmol). The reaction was refluxed under argon and monitored by TLC analysis. Once the polymerization was completed, the reaction was quenched with ethyl vinyl ether (3.0 mL) over a 30 min period. The mixture was reduced to $1/5^{th}$ the original volume and added dropwise into 200 mL dry Et₂O to induce precipitation. The organic layer was decanted from the solid polymer. The polymer was washed with dry Et₂O (3x, 100 mL). An appropriate volume of DCM was added to produce stock solutions of $^{1G}\text{OBAC}_{40}$ **2b**.

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General Procedure for Scavenging

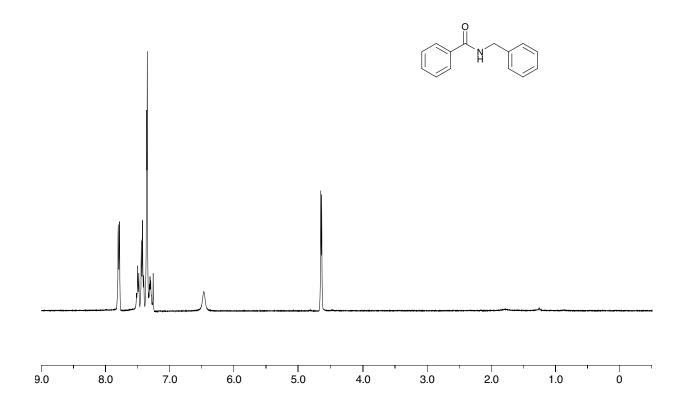
In a small pyrex pressure tube, was added benzoyl chloride (1 equiv.) dropwise to a solution of base (5 equiv.) and the nucleophile (2 equiv.) in CH₂Cl₂ (0.5M) at RT. Reaction progress was monitored by GC analysis. Once complete, the OBAC reagent (40- or 100-*mer*, 1 equiv. for amines, and 2 equiv. for alcohols and thiols) was added (^{1G}OBAC₄₀ was added as a stock solution while ^{2G}OBAC₁₀₀ was added directly as a solid). Reaction temperatures varied on the nature of the nucleophilic species: amines (RT) alcohols and thiols (reflux). When utilizing ^{2G}OBAC₁₀₀, the "scavenged" reaction mixture was directly diluted with EtOAc (5 mL) and filtered (SiO₂). When utilizing ^{1G}OBAC₄₀ optimal results were obtained by concentrating the "scavenged" reaction mixture under reduced pressure first, then diluting with EtOAc (5 mL) and filtering (SiO₂). Both methods afforded the desired benzoylated products in high yields and purities. Purity levels were determined by GC and ¹H NMR spectroscopy.

Competition Experiments

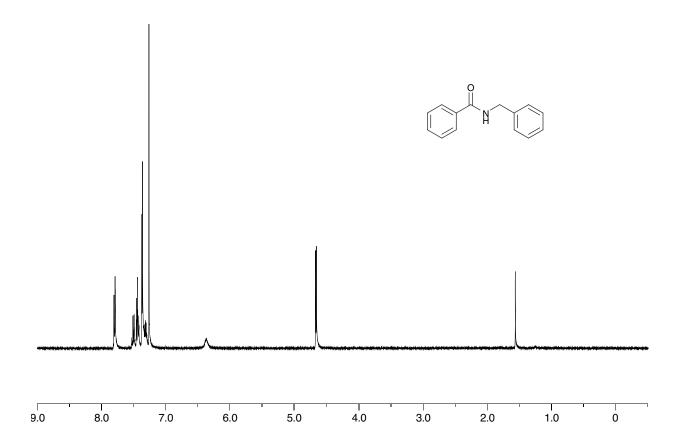
Commercially available, polystyrene-based isocyanate resin was purchased from Argonaut Technologies. Competition experiments with this isocyanate resin were carried out in an identical fashion as described above. (1) *Amine scavenging*: It was found that the OBAC scavengers (40- and 100-*mer*, 1 equiv.) were successful in removing excess amine from a reaction mixture between 15 and 30 minutes, while the commercially available isocyanate resin was successful in a slightly shorter time ~5 minutes, however two equivalents were necessary to facilitate complete scavenging. (2) *Alcohol scavenging*: It was found that the OBAC scavengers (40- and 100-*mer*, 2 equiv.) were successful in removing excess alcohol from a reaction mixture in two hours (reflux), while the commercially available isocyanate resin (4 equiv.) in the same time frame only scavenged ~80% of the alcohol (also at reflux). (3) *Thiol scavenging*: It was found that the OBAC scavengers (40- and 100-*mer*, 2 equiv.) and commercially available isocyanate resin (4 equiv.) were equally able to scavenge the excess thiols, requiring only two hours (reflux).

NMR Spectra of Crude Amides, Esters, and Thioesters

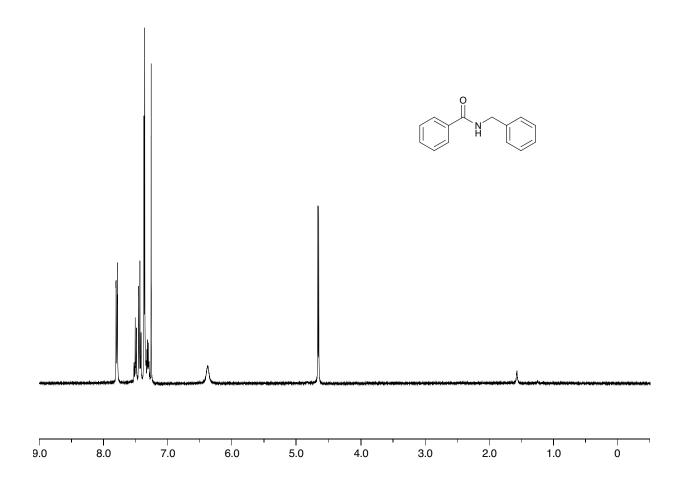
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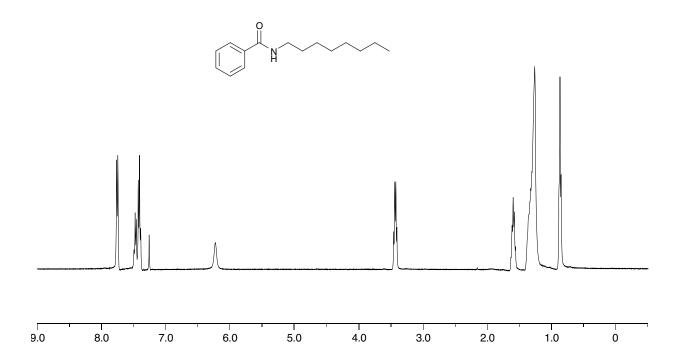
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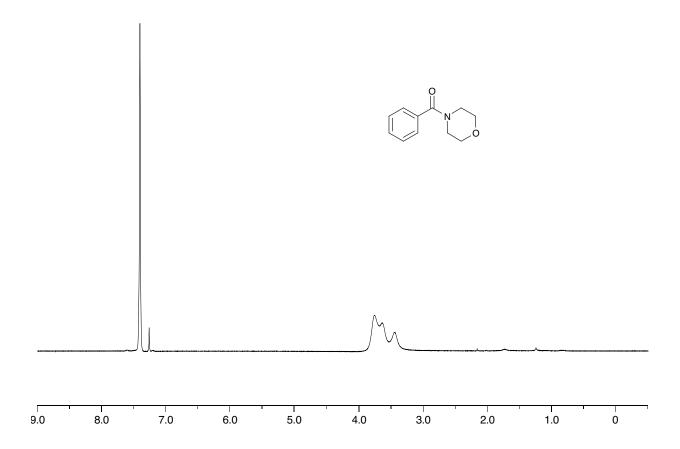
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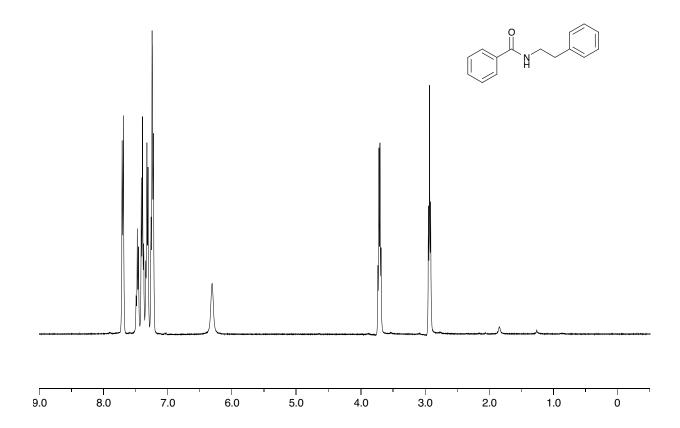


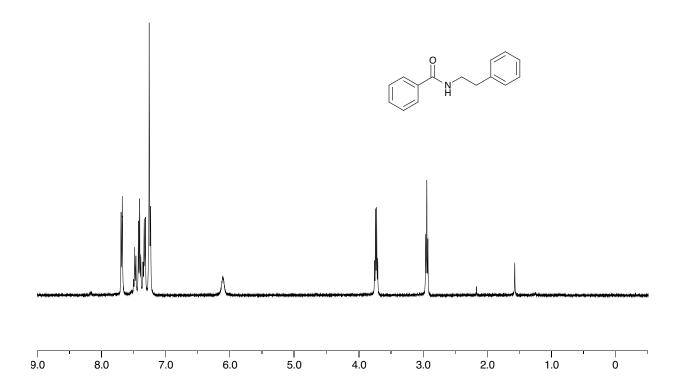
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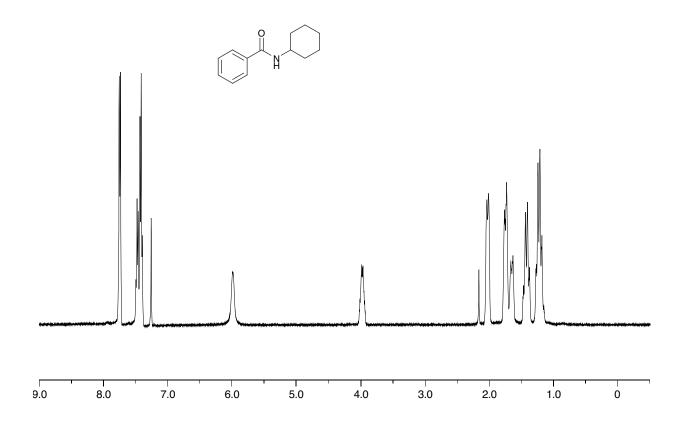
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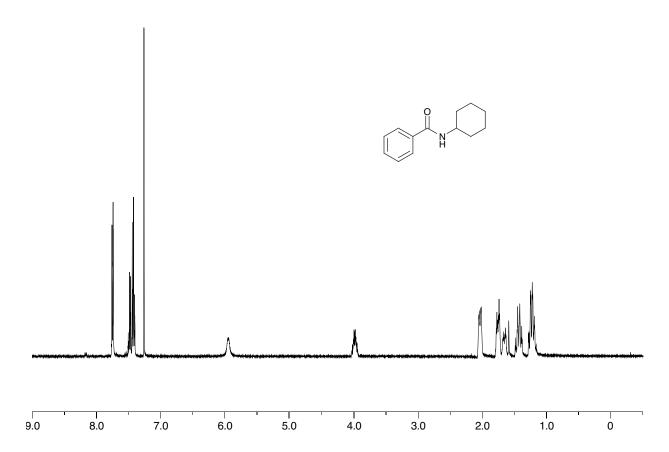


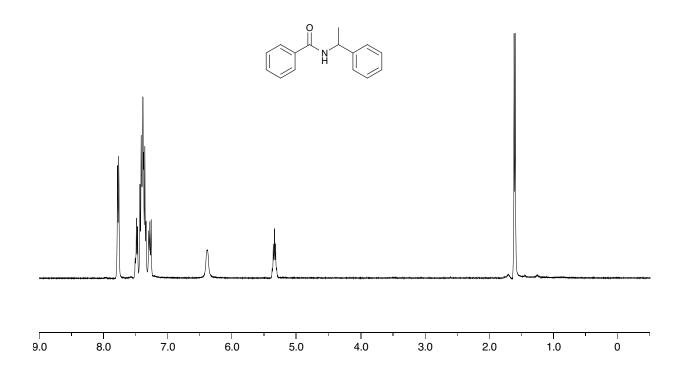


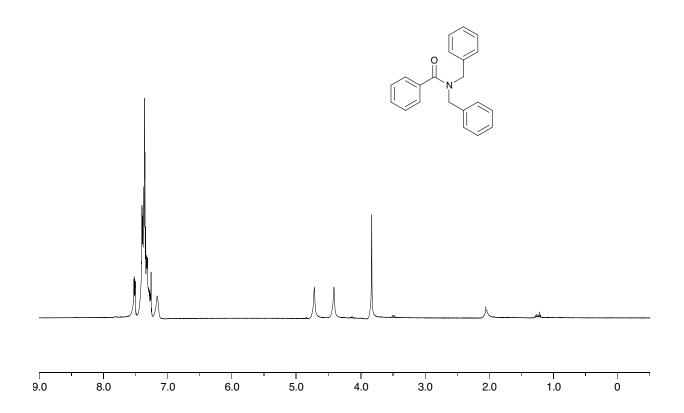
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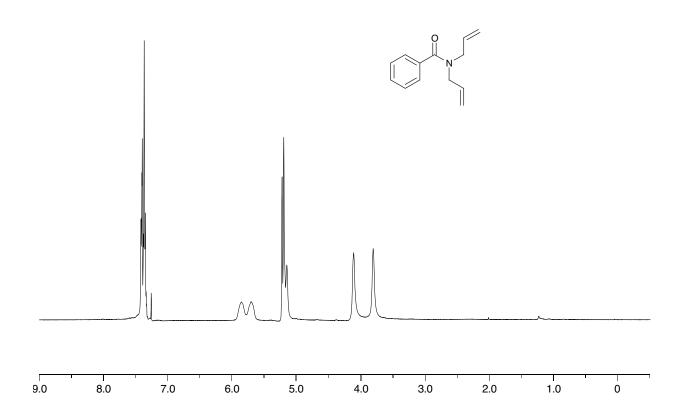


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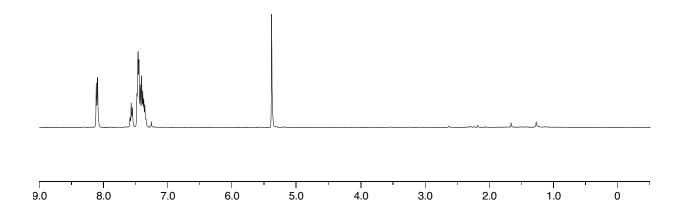


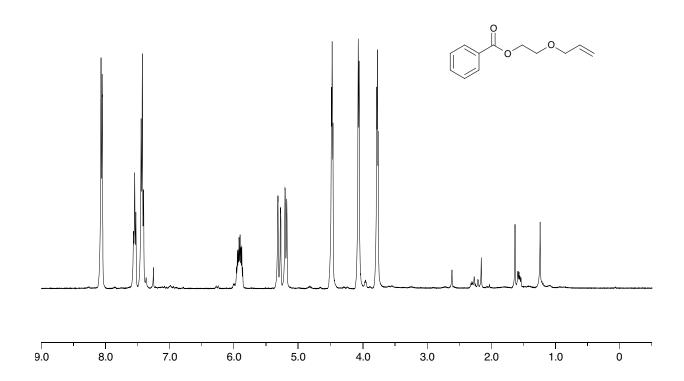


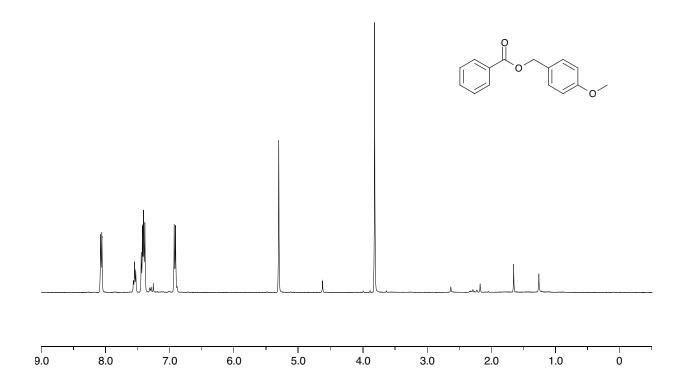




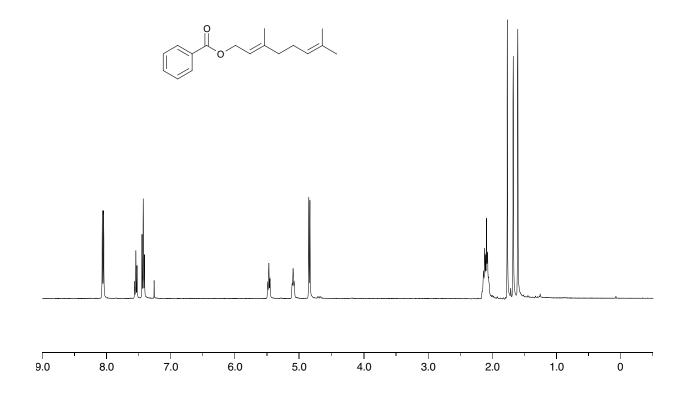


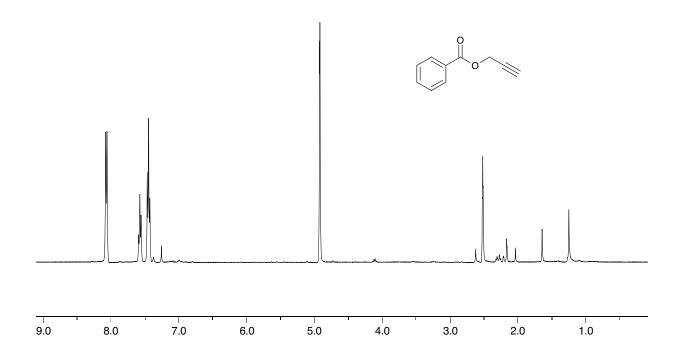


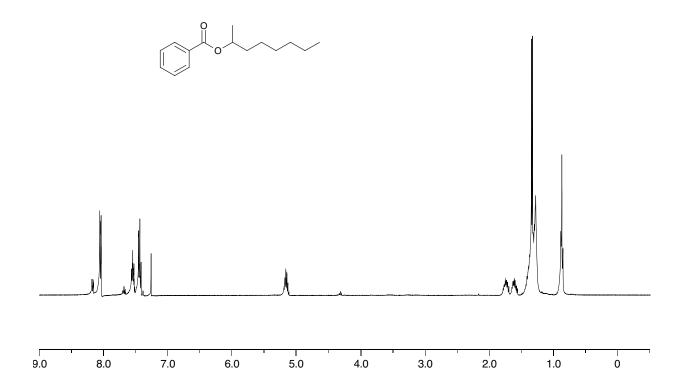




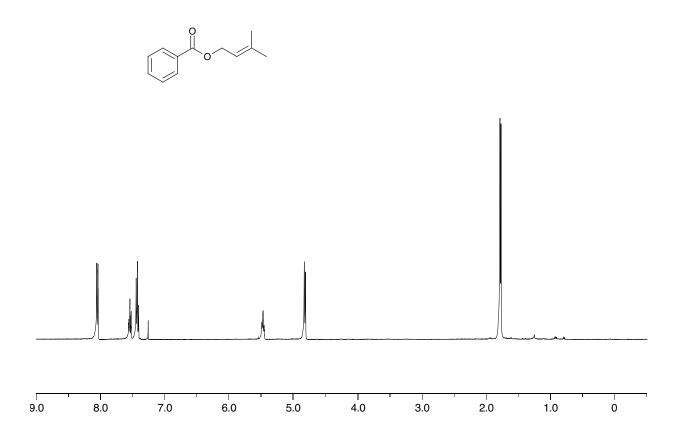
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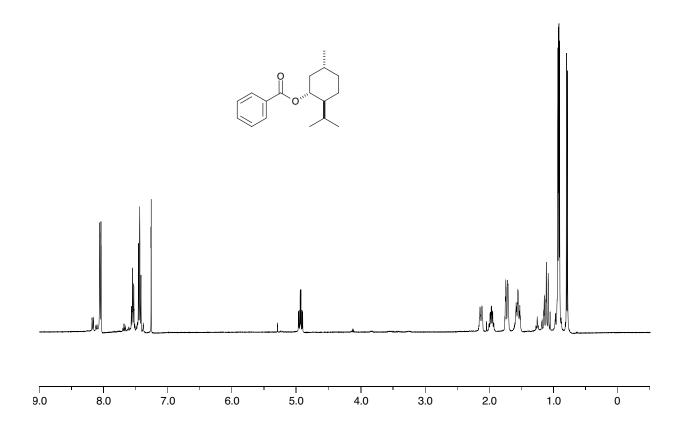




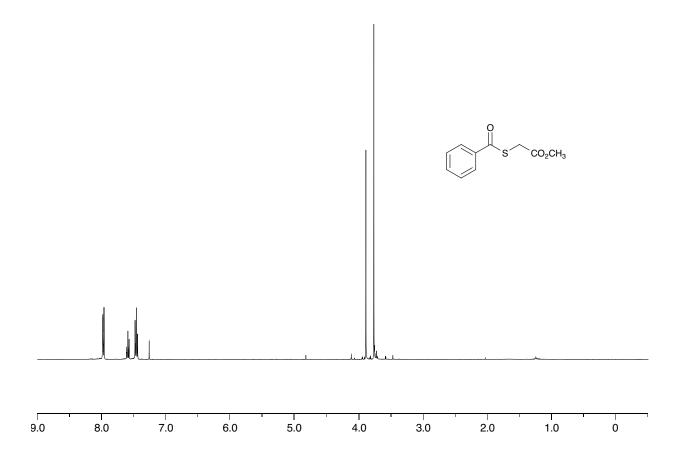
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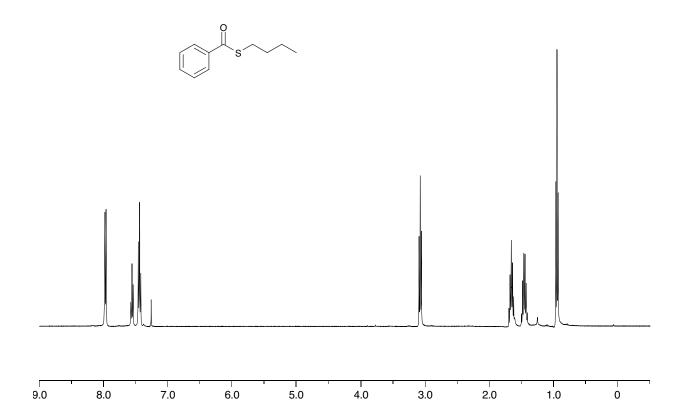


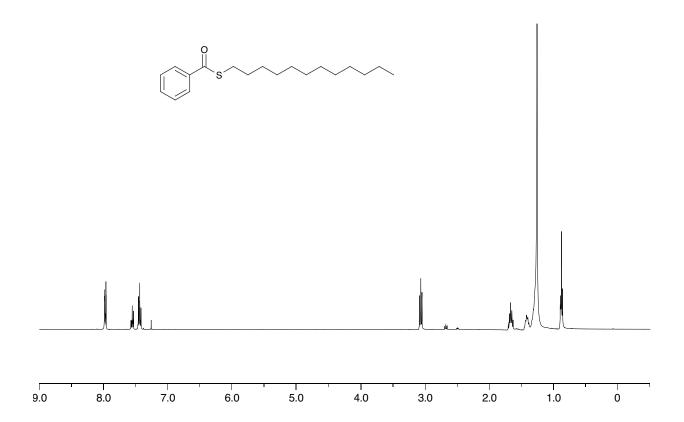
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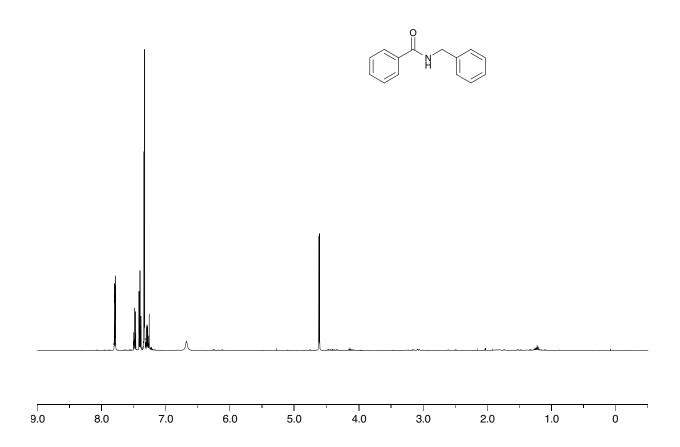


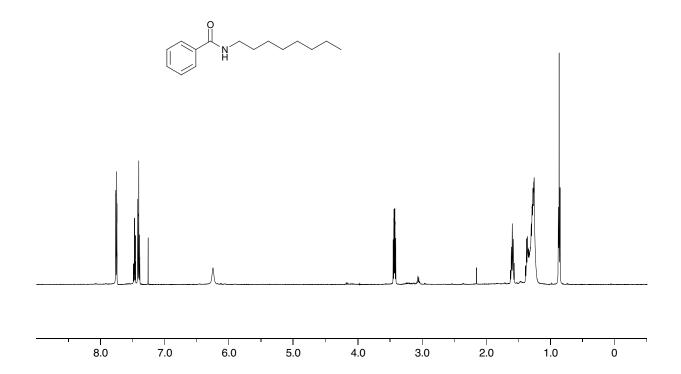
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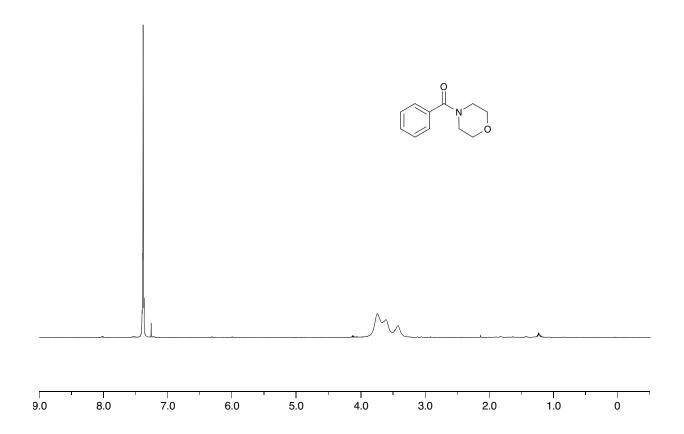


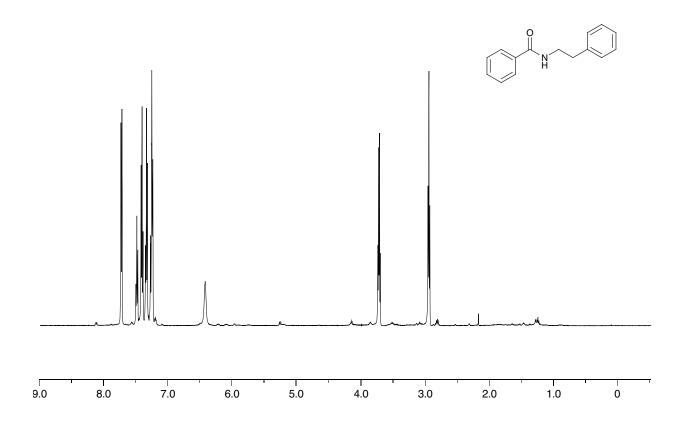




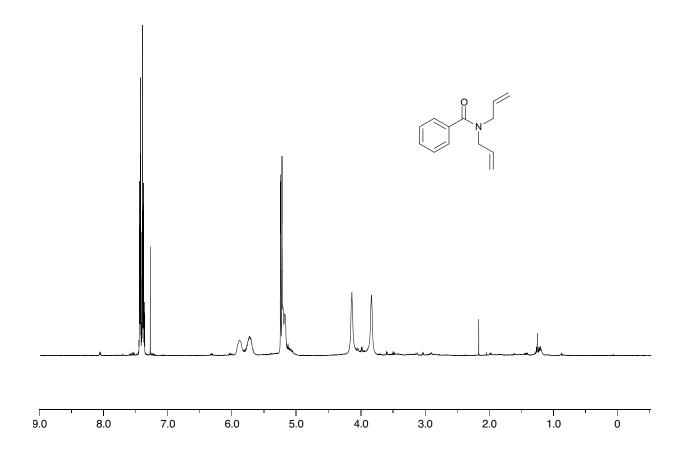




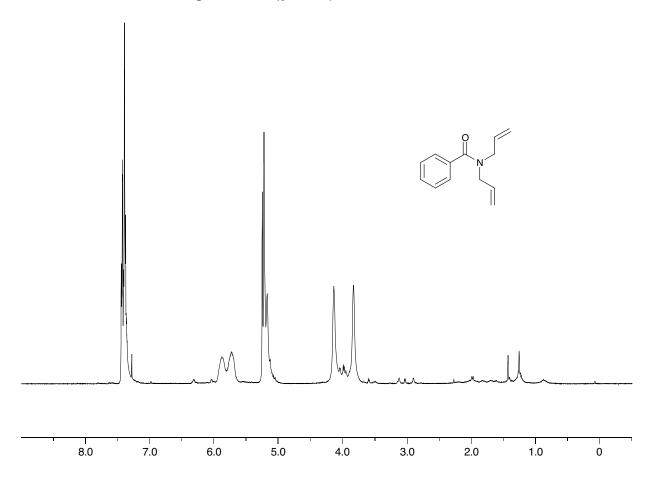




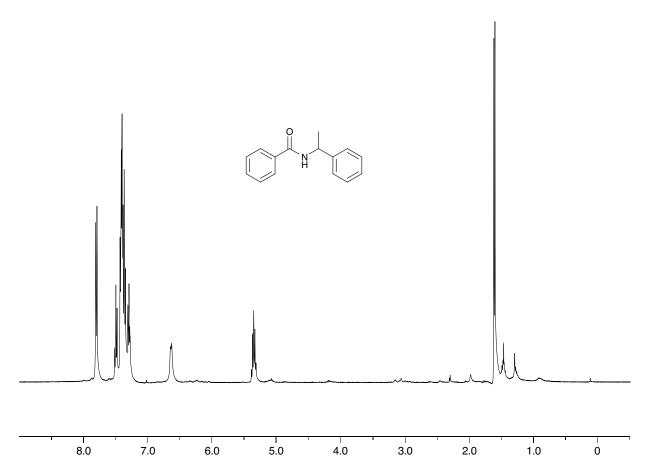
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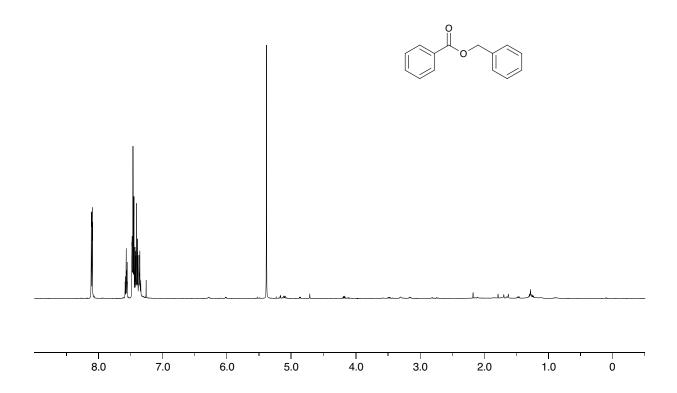


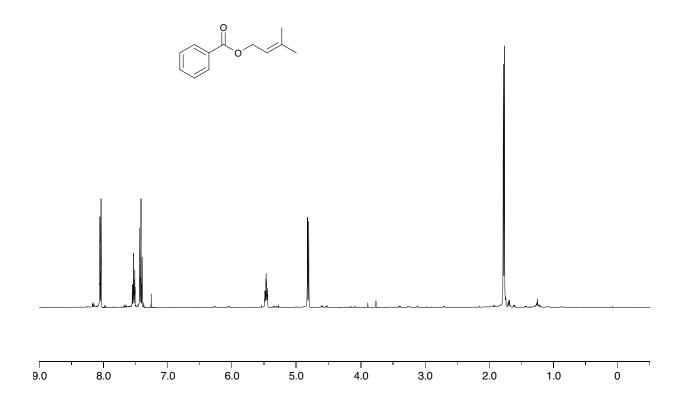
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Amide **5f**, Table 4, using ^{1G}OBAC₄₀: *entry* 7







Thioester **7a**, Table 4, using ^{1G}OBAC₄₀: *entry 10*

