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Novel Photooxygenation of Masked *o*-Benzoquinones: A Short and Efficient Entry to Highly Functionalized Cyclopentenones from 2-Methoxyphenols**

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1. General Procedures

 1H NMR spectra were recorded in CDCl₃ at 400 and 600 MHz. ^{13}C NMR spectra were recorded in CDCl₃ at 100 and 150 MHz. All reactions were monitored by 1H NMR and thin-layer chromatography (TLC) that was performed on pre-coated sheets of silica gel 60 impregnated with a fluorescent indicator (254 nm). Flash column chromatography was done with silica gel 60 (the particle size: 43-60 μm).

All commercial reagents and solvents were used as received without further purification.

Preparation of masked o-benzoquinones 1a-j

To a solution of the corresponding 2-methoxyphenol (1.2 mmol, 0.5M) and methanol at 273.15K, 1.2 eq. of diacetoxyiodobenzene (DAIB) was added. After $10\sim15$ min, the solution was evaporated, extracted with EtOAc, washed with pH = 7 KH₂PO₄/NaOH buffer solution for 3 times (the removal of acetic acid), dry over MgSO₄ and finally evaporated in vacuo to obtain the pure MOBs 1a-j. [1]

Entry	MOB	\mathbb{R}^1	R^2	R^3	Yield [%]
1	1a	Н	<i>i</i> Pr	Н	100
2	1b	Н	<i>t</i> Bu	<i>t</i> Bu	95
3	1c	Н	<i>i</i> Pr	Me	95
4	1d	Me	-\$-0-	Н	95
5	1e	Me	Н	Н	100
6	1f	OMe	Н	Н	90
7	1g	Н	-\$-0	Н	97
8	1h	Н	$nC_{16}H_{33}$	Н	95
9	1i	Н	$-C_5H_{11}$	Н	85
10	1j	Н	$-C_5H_{11}$	Cl	70

General procedures for photooxygenation of masked o-benzoquinones 1a-j

To a solution of the corresponding masked o-benzoquinones (1.2 mmol), the sensitizer (tetraphenylporphyrin, TPP or rose bengal, $2\sim3$ mg, ~2.5 x 10^{-3} mmol) was put and the reaction tube was placed in the cooling tank (at 273.15 K for compound **2d-f** and at 258.15 K for the other compounds). Oxygen was bubbling into the solution constantly under the irradiation with five 500 watt of halogen lamps until the reaction was completed. The reaction mixture was tracked by 1 H NMR and thin-layer chromatography.

1) Procedure A after completion of photooxygenation

To the solution at 273.15K, charcoal was added, and then the residues was filtered, concentrated in vacuo to yield the pure product without further purification.

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7-isopropyl-6,6-dimethoxy-4-methyl-2,3-dioxauicycio[2.2.2]oct-7-en-5-one (2c) was obtained from photooxygenation of 0.05M of 1c in chloroform (TPP as the sensitizer) and the and the and the following procedure A, in 87% yield, as a colorless liquid; IR (film) 2965(m), 1758(s), 1465(s), 1071(s) cm⁻¹; 1 H NMR (400Mz, CDCl₃) δ5.89 (s, 1H), 4.81(s, 1H), 3.45 (s, 3H), 3.42 (s, 3H), 2.50 (septd, J = 6.8, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 1.38 (s, 3H), 1.13 (dd, J = 6.8, 1.6 Hz, 3H), 1.11 (dd, J = 6.8, 1.6 Hz, 3H); 13 C NMR (100Mz, CDCl₃) δ 195.0 (C), 157.2 (C), 121.5 (CH), 91.2 (C), 81.9 (C), 77.7 (CH), 51.5 (CH₃), 50.3 (CH₃), 32.0 (CH), 20.4 (CH₃), 20.0 (CH₃), 13.6 (CH₃); HRMS (EI) calcd for C₁₂H₁₈O₅ (M) $^{+}$ 242.1154, found 242.1152.

7-(5,5-dimethyl-1,3-dioxan-2-yl)-6,6-dimethoxy-1-methyl-2,3-dioxabicyclo[2.2.2]oct-7-en-5-one (2d) was obtained from photooxygenation of 0.05M of MOB **1d** in chloroform (TPP as the sensitizer) and the following procedure A, in 90% yield, as a colorless liquid; IR (film) 2954(s), 2846(m), 1750(s), 1669(s), 1069(m) cm⁻¹; 1 H NMR (400Mz, CDCl₃) δ 6.76 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H)), 4.93 (s, 1H), 4.65 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 3.57 (s, 3H), 3.66 (d, J = 11.0 Hz, 2H), 3.48 (d, J = 11.0 Hz, 2H), 3.38 (s, 3H), 1.50 (s, 3H), 1.17 (s, 3H), 0.72 (s, 3H); 13 C NMR (100Mz, CDCl₃) δ 194.7 (C), 149.2 (C), 123.0 (CH), 97.6 (CH), 92.7 (C), 86.2 (C), 79.0 (CH), 76.6 (CH₂ x 2), 54.4 (CH₃), 52.9 (CH₃), 30.2 (C), 23.0 (CH₃), 21.7 (CH₃), 10.7 (CH₃); HRMS (EI) calcd for $C_{15}H_{22}O_7$ (M) $^+$ 314.1366, found 314.1361.

6,6-dimethoxy-1-methyl-2,3-dioxabicyclo[2.2.2]oct-7-en-5-one (**2e**) was obtained from photooxygenation of 0.05M of MOB **1e** in chloroform (TPP as the sensitizer) and the following procedure A, in 82% yield, as a colorless liquid; IR (film) 2957(m), 2618(m), 1714(s), 1457(m), 1252(m), 1114(w) cm⁻¹; 1 H NMR (400Mz, CDCl₃) δ 6.62~6.56 (m, 2H), 4.61 (d, J = 5.6 Hz, 1H), 3.60 (s, 3H), 3.41 (s, 3H), 1.44 (s, 3H); 13 C NMR (100Mz, CDCl₃) δ 195.1 (C), 142.6 (CH), 126.4 (CH), 93.0 (C), 84.9 (C), 79.1 (CH), 54.7 (CH₃), 52.8 (CH₃), 14.2 (CH₃); HRMS (EI) calcd for $C_9H_{12}O_5$ (M) $^+$ 200.0685, found 200.0686.

1,6,6-trimethoxy-2,3-dioxabicyclo[2.2.2]oct-7-en-5-one (2f) was obtained from photooxygenation of 0.05M of MOB **1f** in chloroform (TPP as the sensitizer) and the following procedure A, in 90% yield, as a colorless liquid; IR (film) 2956(m), 2835(m), 1748(d), 1473(m), 1208(m), 1076(m), 990(w) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR

 $(400\text{Mz}, \text{CDCl3})\ \delta 6.89\ (d, J = 9.2\ \text{Hz}, 1\text{H}), 6.74\ (dd, J = 9.2, 6.0\text{Hz}, 1\text{H}), 4.64\ (d, J = 6.0\ \text{Hz}, 1\text{H}), 3.62\ (s, 3\text{H}), 3.57\ (s, 3\text{H}), 3.44\ (s, 3\text{H}); {}^{13}\text{C NMR}\ (100\text{Mz}, \text{CDCl}_3)\ \delta\ 193.6\ (C), 136.7\ (CH), 128.9\ (CH), 105.2\ (C), 92.7\ (C), 78.7\ (CH), 53.4\ (CH_3), 53.1\ (CH_3), 52.2\ (CH_3); LRMS\ (ESI)\ calcd\ for\ C_9H_{12}O_6K\ (M+K)^+\ 255.0, found\ 255.1.$

2) Procedure B after photooxygenation

Thiourea ($0.5\sim2.4$ mmol) was added into the photooxygenated solution at 273.15K, and the mixture was stirred until completion of the reaction. The mixture was evaporated and then extracted three times with EtOAc/H₂O. Combined organic extracts were dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated in vacuo to yield the crude product. After chromatography using EtOAc/n-hexane, the pure product was obtained.

7-Isopropyl-6,6-dimethoxy-2,3-dioxabicyclo[2.2.2]oct-7-en-5-one (**2a**) was obtained from photooxygenation of 0.25M of MOB **1a** in chloroform (TPP as the sensitizer) and the following procedure B (55 mg, 0.6mmol of thiourea), in 74% yield, as a colorless liquid (and compound **3a**, in 10% yield); IR (film): 2968(m), 2840(w), 1758(s), 1465(s), 1072(s), 745(w) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400Mz, CDCl₃) δ 6.21 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 4.84 (s,1H), 4.62 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H); 3.44 (s, 3H), 3.42 (s, 3H), 2.51 (sept, J = 6.8, 1H), 1.27 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 1.11 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100Mz, CDCl₃) δ 194.0 (C), 157.6 (C), 117.2 (CH), 91.3 (C), 79.2 (CH); 77.9 (CH), 51.5 (CH₃), 50.5 (CH₃), 32.1 (CH), 20.4 (CH₃), 19.2 (CH₃); HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₁H₁₆O₅Na (M+Na) + 251.0895, found 251.0924.

4,7-di-*tert***-Butyl-6,6-dimethoxy-2,3-dioxabicyclo[2.2.2]oct-7-en-5-one (2b)** was obtained from photooxygenation of 0.05M of MOB **1b** in chloroform (TPP as the sensitizer) and the following procedure B (46 mg, 0.5 mmol of thiourea), in 68% yield, as a colorless liquid (and compound **3b**, in 17% yield); IR (film): 2965(m), 1753(s), 1464(m), 1367(m), 1159(w), 861(w) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400Mz, CDCl₃) δ 6.10 (s, 1H), 4.86 (s, 1H), 3.42 (s, 3H), 3.39 (s, 3H), 1.11 (s, 9H), 1.08 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (100Mz, CDCl₃) δ 195.0 (C), 159.9 (C), 118.0 (CH), 91.0 (C), 87.1 (C), 75.4 (CH), 51.4 (CH₃), 50.5 (CH₃), 34.8 (C), 34.2 (C), 28.2 (CH₃ x 3), 25.1 (CH₃ x 3); HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₆H₂₆O₅Na (M+Na)⁺ 321.1678, found 321.1687.

Methyl (1R*,2R*)-2-hydroxy-2-isopropyl-5-oxocyclopent-3-ene-1-carboxylate (3a) was obtained from photooxygenation of 0.05M of MOB 1a in methanol (rose bengal as the sensitizer) and the following procedure B (200 mg, 2.4 mmol of thiourea), in 70% yield, as a colorless liquid; IR (film): 3479(br), 2964(m), 2880(m), 1773(s), 1317(m), 815(m), 765(m) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ7.49 (d, J = 5.8 Hz, 1H), 6.18 (d, J = 5.8 Hz, 1H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 3.68 (OH, 1H), 3.44 (s, 1H), 1.96 (sept, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 0.98 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 0.90 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100Mz, CDCl₃) δ 200.4 (C), 169.4 (C), 166.5

(CH), 132.7 (CH), 82.7 (C), 58.2 (CH), 52.8 (CH₃), 36.4 (CH), 17.2 (CH₃), 16.8 (CH₃); HRMS (FAB) calcd for $C_{10}H_{15}O_4$ (M+H) $^+$ 198.0965, found 199.0971.

Methyl (1*R****,2***R****)-2,4-di-***tert***-butyl-2-hydroxy-5-oxocyclopent-3-ene-1-carboxylate (3b)** was obtained from photooxygenation of 0.05M of MOB **1b** in chloroform (rose bengal as the sensitizer) and the following procedure B (203 mg, 2.4 mmol of thiourea), in 78% yield, as a colorless liquid; IR (film) 3500(br), 2959(s), 1740(s), 1706(s), 1463(m), 1322(m), 1087(m), 970(m) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400Mz, CDCl₃) δ7.100 (s, 1H), 3.73 (s, 1H), 3.62 (s, 3H), 1.81 (s, 1H), 1.17 (s, 9H), 0.94 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (100Mz, CDCl₃) δ 199.7 (C), 170.1 (C), 156.3 (CH), 154.2 (C), 81.4 (C), 59.7 (CH), 52.7 (CH₃), (CH), 52.7 (CH₃), 37.9 (C), 32.0 (C), 28.2 (CH₃), 25.0 (CH₃); HRMS (ESI) calcd for $C_{15}H_{24}O_4Na$ (M+Na)⁺ 291.1572, found 291.1592.

Methyl (1*R**,2*R**)-2-hydroxy-2-isopropyl-4-methyl-5-oxocyclopent-3-ene-1-carboxylate (3c) was obtained from photooxygenation of 0.05M of MOB 1c in methanol (rose bengal as the sensitizer) and the following procedure B (200 mg, 2.4 mmol of thiourea), in 75% yield, as colorless liquid; IR (film) 3494(br), 2963(s), 2879(m), 1709(s), 1644(m), 1436(m), 1326(m), 989(w) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400Mz, CDCl₃) δ7.14 (s, 1H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 3.48 (s, 1H), 1.94 (sept, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 1.81 (s, 3H), 0.98 (d, J = 6.8, 3H), 0.90 (d, J = 6.8, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100Mz, CDCl₃) δ 200.7 (C), 169.7 (C), 160.2 (CH), 141.6 (C), 80.7 (C), 58.6 (CH), 52.8 (CH₃), 36.6 (CH), 17.3 (CH₃), 16.9 (CH₃), 10.0 (CH₃); HRMS (ESI) calcd for $C_{11}H_{16}O_5Na$ (M+Na) + 235.0946, found 235.0948.

Methyl (1*R**,2*R**)-2-(5,5-dimethyl-1,3-dioxan-2-yl)-2-hydroxy-5-oxocyclopent-3-ene-1-carboxylate (3g) was obtained from photooxygenation of 0.01M of MOB 1g in methanol (rose bengal as the sensitizer) and the following procedure B (200 mg, 2.4 mmol of thiourea), in 75% yield, as colorless solid; IR (film) 3469 (br), 2958(s), 2856(m), 1744(s), 1597(m), 1308(m), 1104(m), 774(m) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.46 (d, J = 5.8 Hz, 1H), 6.26 (d, J = 5.8 Hz, 1H), 4.58 (s, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 3.74 (s, 1H), 3.67-3.41 (m, 4H), 1.09 (s, 3H), 0.69 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100Mz, CDCl₃) δ 199.8 (C), 168.6 (C), 161.3 (CH), 134.8 (CH), 101.4 (CH), 80.8 (C), 77.3 (CH₂ x 2), 56.3 (CH), 52.7 (CH₃), 30.3 (C), 22.9 (CH₃), 21.5 (CH₃); HRMS (FAB⁺) calcd for $C_{13}H_{19}O_6^+$ (M+H) + 271.1176, found 271.1179.

3h: Untenone A

Methyl (1R*,2R*)-2-hexadecyl-2-hydroxy-5-oxocyclopent-3-ene-1-carboxylate (3h)

was obtained from photooxygenation of 0.01M of MOB **1h** in methanol (rose bengal as the sensitizer) and the following procedure B (200 mg, 2.4 mmol of thiourea), in 65% yield, as a colorless solid; 1H NMR (400Mz, CDCl₃) 87.50 (d, J = 5.6 Hz, 1H), 6.17 (d, J = 5.6 Hz, 1H), 3.77 (s, 3H), 3.44 (s, 1H), 1.823-1.228 (m, 30H), 0.856 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100Mz, CDCl₃) 8 199.9 (C), 169.0 (C), 167.0 (CH), 132.7 (CH), 79.9 (C), 60.8 (CH), 52.9 (CH₃), 40.4 (CH₂), 31.9 (CH₂), 29.7-22.7 (CH₂ x 13), 14.1 (CH₃); HRMS (FAB⁺) calcd for C₂₃H₄₁O₄ (M+H⁺) 381.2999, found 381.3002. The spectrums of ^{1}H -NMR and ^{13}C -NMR were matched with the literature. $^{[2]}$

Methyl (1R*,2R*)-2-hydroxy-2-oct-2-yn-1-yl-5-oxocyclopent-3-ene-1-carboxylate (3i) was obtained from photooxygenation of 0.01M of MOB 1i in methanol (rose bengal as the sensitizer) and the following procedure B (200 mg, 2.4 mmol of thiourea), in 79% yield, as colorless liquid; IR (film) 3448(br), 2956(m), 2860(m), 1742(s), 1717(s), 1436(m), 1324(m), 1158(m), 1011(m), 817(w) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (600Mz, CDCl₃) δ7.43 (d, J = 5.7 Hz, 1H), 6.22 (d, J = 5.7 Hz, 1H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 3.66 (s, OH, 1H), 2.72 (ABq, J = 16.5 Hz, 1H), 2.64 (ABqt, J = 16.5 Hz, 1H), 2.06 (tt, J = 7.2, 2.4 Hz, 2H), 1.39 (sextet, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.27-1.24 (m, 4H), 0.85 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100Mz, CDCl₃) δ 199.3 (C), 168.8 (C), 164.9 (CH), 133.4 (CH), 84.9 (C), 79.3 (C), 73.4 (C), 59.7 (CH), 52.9 (CH₃), 30.9 (CH₂), 30.8 (CH₂), 28.3 (CH₂), 22.8 (CH₂), 18.5 (CH₂), 13.9 (CH₃); HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₅H₂₀O₄Na (M+Na) + 287.1259, found 287.1251.

Methyl (1R*,2S*)-4-chloro-2-hydroxy-2-oct-2-yn-1-yl-5-oxocyclopent-3-ene-1-carboxylate (3j) was obtained from photooxygenation of 0.01M of MOB 1j in methanol (rose bengal as the sensitizer) and the following procedure B (200 mg, 2.4 mmol of thiourea), in 50% yield, as colorless liquid; IR (film): 3471(br), 2932(s), 1747(s), 1604(m), 1435(m), 757(w) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400Mz, CDCl₃) δ 7.35 (s, 1H), 3.80 (s, 1H), 3.78 (s, 3H), 3.75 (s, OH), 2.73 (ABqt, J = 16.6, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 2.69 (ABqt, J = 16.6, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 2.06 (tt, J = 7.0, 2.4 Hz, 2H), 1.39 (sextet, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 1.31-1.22 (m, 4H), 0.86 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100Mz, CDCl₃) δ 191.5 (C), 167.9 (C), 157.6 (CH), 136.4 (C), 85.8 (C), 76.7 (C), 73.0 (C), 59.3 (CH), 53.2 (CH₃), 31.2 (CH₂), 31.0 (CH₂), 28.2 (CH₂), 22.1 (CH₂), 18.5 (CH₂), 13.9 (CH₃); HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₅H₁₉ClO₄Na (M+Na)⁺ 321.0870, found 321.0896.

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3) Procedure C after photooxygenation

Put the solution at 268.15K overnight and warmed it up to room temperature and then charcoal was added into the solution. The residue was filtered and concentrated to get the crude product without further purification.

(3aR,6aR)-6a-Isopropyl-3,3-dimethoxy-3a,6a-dihydrocyclopenta[c][1,2]dioxol-4(3H)-one (5a) was obtained from photooxygenation of 0.01M of MOB 1a in methanol (rose bengal as the sensitizer) and the following procedure C, in 90% yield, as colorless liquid; IR (film) 2966(s), 2880(m), 1717(s), 1594(w), 1468(m), 1349(m), 1254(m), 1183(m), 1045(m) cm⁻¹; ^{1}H NMR (400Mz, CDCl₃) δ 7.42 (d, J = 5.8 Hz, 1H), 6.32 (d, J = 5.8 Hz, 1H), 3.45 (s, 3H), 3.33 (s, 3H), 3.14 (s, 1H), 2.17 (sept, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 0.94 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 6H); ^{13}C NMR (100Mz, CDCl₃) δ 200.9 (C), 159.4 (CH), 136.5 (CH), 122.2 (C), 98.9 (C), 60.6 (CH), 52.7 (CH₃), 49.3 (CH₃), 31.1 (CH), 17.7 (CH₃), 17.6 (CH₃); HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₁H₁₆O₅Na (M+Na)⁺ 251.0895, found 251.0929.

(4*S**)-2,4-di-*tert*-Butyl-5-(dimethoxymethylene)-4-hydroperoxycyclopent-2-en-1-one (5b) was obtained from photooxygenation of 0.01M of MOB 1b in methanol (rose bengal as the sensitizer), and the following procedure C, in 85% yield, as colorless liquid; IR (film) 2959(br), 2873(m), 1716(s), 1464(m), 1166(m), 946(m) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400Mz, CDCl₃) δ7.07 (s, 1H), 3.41 (s, 3H), 3.30 (s, 3H), 3.25 (s, 1H), 1.20 (s, 9H), 0.97 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (100Mz, CDCl₃) δ202.2 (C), 157.2 (C), 150.2 (CH), 122.3 (C), 97.8 (C), 62.1 (CH), 52.3 (CH₃), 49.2 (CH₃), 34.8 (C), 32.1 (C), 28.1 (CH₃ x 3), 25.7 (CH₃ x 3); HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₆H₂₆O₅Na (M+Na)⁺ 321.1678, found 321.1672.

4) Isolation of compound 4b

After completion of photooxygenation of 0.01M of MOB **1b** in methanol, the solution was placed at 268.15K overnight and then evaporated in vacuo. (**3aR,6aR)-5,6a-di-tert-Butyl-3,3-dimethoxy-3a,6a dihydrocyclopenta**[c][**1,2**]**dioxol-4(3H)-one (4b)** was obtained without further purification, as white solid; ¹H NMR (400Mz, CDCl₃) δ 7.63 (s, OOH, 1H), 6.75 (s, 1H), 4.18 (s, 3H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 1.21 (s, 9H), 0.95 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (100Mz, CDCl₃) δ 192.1(C), 163.7(C), 156.3(C), 145.9(CH), 96.8(C), 94.5(C), 64.0(CH₃), 53.9(CH₃), 38.6(C), 32.3(C), 28.5 (CH₃ x 3), 26.8 (CH₃ x 3); LRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₆H₂₆O₅Na (M+Na) ⁺ 321.2, found 321.2.

5) Procedure D after photooxygenation

 $NaHCO_3$ (500mg, 5.0 eq) was added into the solution at 258.15K, and the mixture was stirred for 2-4 hr. Methanol was evaporated in vacuo at least below 273.15K to prevent formation of the side-product. Charcoal was added into the solution. Then the residue was filtered and extracted three times with EtOAc. Combined organic extracts were dried over $MgSO_4$ and concentrated in vacuo to yield the product without purification.

(1*R**,5*R**)-5-Isopropyl-1-(trimethoxymethyl)-6-oxabicyclo[3.1.0]hex-3-en-2-one (6a) was obtained from photooxygenation of 0.01M of MOB 1a in methanol (rose bengal as the sensitizer) and the following procedure D, in 92% yield, as colorless liquid; IR (film) 2951(br), 2841(m), 1731(s), 1686(m), 1468(m), 1278(m), 1042(m), 839(m), 575(m) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400Mz, CDCl₃) δ 7.61 (d, J = 6.2 Hz, 1H), 5.98 (d, J = 6.2 Hz, 1H), 3.36 (s, 9H), 2.59 (sept, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 1.20 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 1.05 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100Mz, CDCl₃) δ 197.5 (C), 154.3 (CH), 133.4 (CH), 111.3 (C), 71.7 (C), 63.6 (C), 50.5 (CH₃ x 3), 25.2 (CH), 18.8 (CH₃), 18.7 (CH₃); HRMS (FAB⁺) calcd for C₁₂H₁₉O₅ (M+H) ⁺ 243.1227, found 243.1230.

Methyl (1*R**,5*S**)-3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-2-oxo-6-oxabicyclo[3.1.0]hex-3-ene-1-carboxylate (7b) was obtained from photooxygenation of 0.01M of MOB 1b in methanol (rose bengal as the sensitizer) and the following procedure D, in 90% yield, as colorless liquid; IR (film) 2963(s), 2911(m), 1751(s), 1718(s), 1440(w), 1318(m), 1248(m), 772(m) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400Mz, CDCl₃) δ 7.30 (s, 1H), 3.90 (s, 3H), 1.19 (s, 9H), 1.13 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (100Mz, CDCl₃) δ 195.6 (C), 165.3 (C), 153.6 (C), 146.3 (CH), 75.0 (C), 64.0 (C), 52.7 (CH₃), 32.4 (C), 31.4 (C), 28.1 (CH₃ x 3), 26.0 (CH₃ x 3); HRMS (ESI) calcd for $C_{15}H_{22}O_4Na$ (M+Na) $^+$ 289.1416, found 289.1428.

(1*R**,5*R**)-5-Isopropyl-3-methyl-1-(trimethoxymethyl)-6-oxabicyclo[3.1.0]hex-3-en-2-one (6c) was obtained from photooxygenation of 0.01M of MOB 1c in methanol (rose bengal as the sensitizer) and the following procedure D, in 95% yield, as colorless liquid; IR (film) 2952(br), 2875(m), 2840(m), 1729(s), 1466(m), 1311(m), 1100(br), 827(s) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400Mz, CDCl₃) δ 7.20 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 3.34 (s, 9H), 2.56 (sept, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 1.71 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 3H), 1.16 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 1.02 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100Mz, CDCl₃) δ 198.0 (C), 147.1 (CH), 142.0 (C), 111.4 (C), 70.6 (C), 63.9 (C), 50.4 (CH₃ x

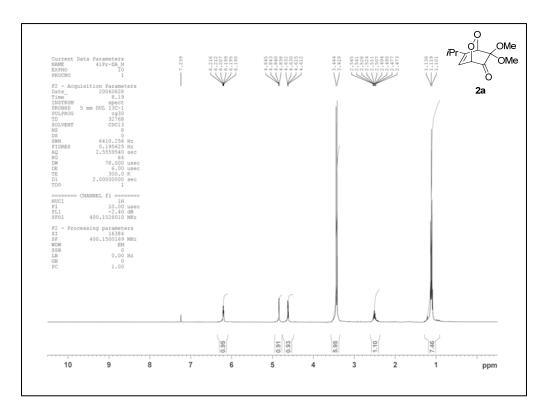
3), 25.3 (CH), 18.9 (CH₃), 18.7 (CH₃), 10.7 (CH₃); HRMS (ESI) calcd for $C_{13}H_{20}O_5Na$ (M+Na)⁺ 279.1208, found 279.1199.

(1*R**,5*R**)-5-(5,5-Dimethyl-1,3-dioxan-2-yl)-1-(trimethoxymethyl)-6-oxabicyclo[3.1.0]hex-3-en-2-one (6g) was obtained from photooxygenation of 0.01M of MOB 1g in methanol (rose bengal as the sensitizer) and the following procedure D, in 92% yield, as colorless liquid; IR (film): 2956(s), 2870(m), 1749(s), 1437(m), 1094(m), 1031(m), 831(w) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400Mz, CDCl₃) δ 7.81 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 6.02 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 5.09 (s, 1H), 3.72 (ABq, J = 11.1 Hz, 1H), 3.64 (ABq, J = 11.1 Hz, 1H), 3.55 (ABq, J = 11.1 Hz, 1H), 3.47 (ABq, J = 11.1 Hz, 1H), 3.31 (s, 9H), 1.24 (s, 3H), 0.75 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100Mz, CDCl₃) δ 195.1 (C), 153.8 (CH), 133.2 (CH), 111.3 (C), 97.6 (CH), 77.2 (CH₂), 76.9 (CH₂), 66.1 (C), 61.5 (C), 50.3 (CH₃ x 3), 30.3 (C), 23.0 (CH₃), 21.8 (CH₃); HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₅H₂₂O₇Na (M+Na) + 337.1263, found 337.1251.

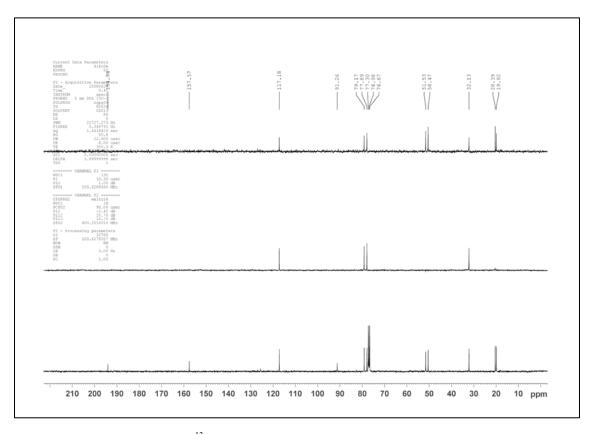
(1R*,5R*)-5-Hexadecyl-1-(trimethoxymethyl)-6-oxabicyclo[3.1.0]hex-3-en-2-one (6h) was obtained from photooxygenation of 0.01M of MOB 1h in methanol (rose bengal as the sensitizer), and the following procedure D, in 85% yield, as colorless liquid; IR (film): 2923(br), 2853(s), 1733(s), 1464(m), 1279(m), 1111(s), 1043(m), 1024(m), 835(w) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400Mz, CDCl₃) δ 7.50 (d, J = 6.4, 1H), 5.94 (d, J = 6.4, 1H), 3.32 (s, 9H), 2.23-2.02 (m, 2H), 1.64-1.23 (m, 28 H), 0.85 (t, J = 6.8, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100Mz, CDCl₃) δ 196.9 (C), 156.4 (CH), 132.8 (CH), 111.4 (C), 67.8 (C), 62.1 (C), 50.1 (CH₃x 3), 31.9 (CH₂), 29.7-29.3 (CH₂x 11), 26.7 (CH₂), 25.4 (CH₂), 22.6 (CH₂), 14.1 (CH₃); HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₂₅H₄₅O₅ (M+H) + 425.3267, found 425.3270.

(1*R**,5*R**)-5-Oct-2-yn-1-yl-1-(trimethoxymethyl)-6-oxabicyclo[3.1.0]hex-3-en-2-one (6i) was obtained from photooxygenation of 0.01M of MOB 1i in methanol (rose bengal as the sensitizer) and the following procedure D, in 90% yield, as colorless liquid; IR (film) 2936(br), 2843(m), 1735(s), 1462(m), 1337(w), 1276(w), 1206(w), 1115(s), 1083(m), 988(w), 953(w), 824(w) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (600Mz, CDCl₃) δ 7.69 (d, J = 6.2Hz, 1H), 5.98 (d, J = 6.2 Hz, 1H), 3.32 (s, 9H), 3.10 (ABqt, J = 17.7, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 3.07 (ABqt, J = 17.7, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 2.12 (tt, J = 7.2, 2.4 Hz, 2H), 1.44 (sextet, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.33-1.25 (m, 4H), 0.87 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100Mz, CDCl₃) δ 195.9 (C), 156.2 (CH), 132.6 (CH), 111.5 (C), 83.1 (C), 73.7 (C), 65.9 (C), 61.7 (C), 50.2 (CH₃ x 3), 31.0 (CH₂), 28.4 (CH₂), 22.1 (CH₂), 18.6 (CH₂), 18.4 (CH₂) 13.9 (CH₃); HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₇H₂₄O₅Na (M+Na) + 331.1521, found 331.1522.

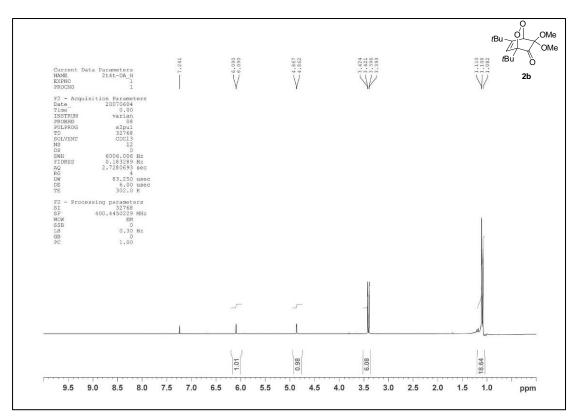
(1*R**,5*R**)-3-Chloro-5-oct-2-yn-1-yl-1-(trimethoxymethyl)-6-oxabicyclo[3.1.0]hex-3-en-2-one (6j) was obtained from photooxygenation of 0.01M of MOB 1j in methanol (rose bengal as the sensitizer) and the following procedure D, in 70% yield, as colorless liquid; IR (film) 2954(br), 2872(m), 1749(s), 1593(m), 1465(m), 1458(m), 1120(br), 774(s) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400Mz, CDCl₃) δ7.59 (s, 1H), 3.32 (s, 9H), 3.11 (ABqt, J = 17.5, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 3.07 (ABqt, J = 17.5, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 2.13 (tt, J = 7.1 Hz, 2.4 Hz, 2H), 1.449 (sextet, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 1.346-1.249 (m, 4H), 0.863 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100Mz, CDCl₃) δ188.5 (C), 149.0 (CH), 136.1 (C), 111.3 (C), 84.4 (C), 73.3 (C), 64.2 (C), 61.3 (C), 50.4 (CH₃ x 9), 31.0 (CH₂), 28.4 (CH₂), 22.2 (CH₂), 18.6 (CH₂), 18.5 (CH₂), 14.0 (CH₃); HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₇H₂₃ClO₅Na (M+Na) + 365.1126, found 365.1138.



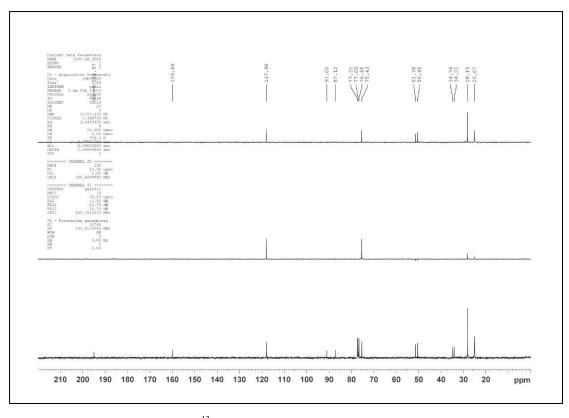
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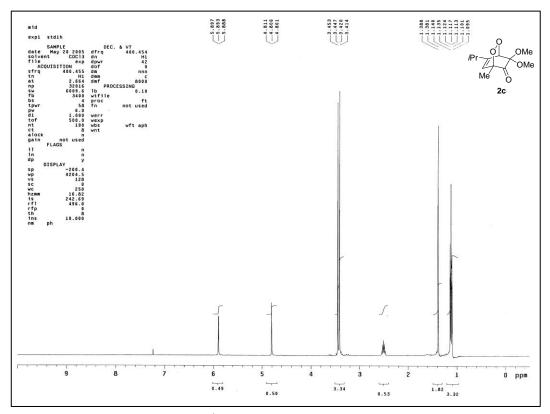
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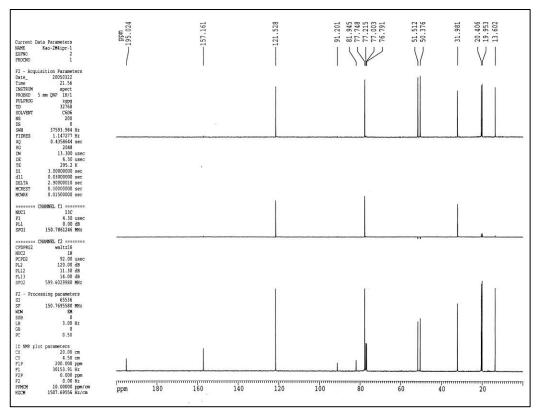
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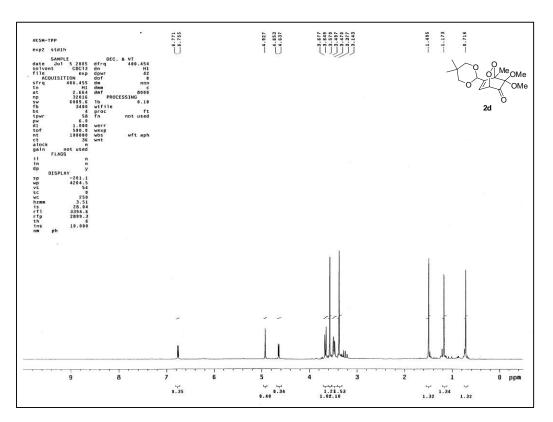
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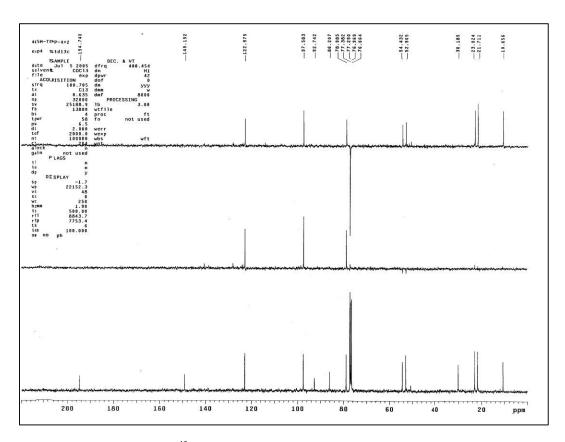
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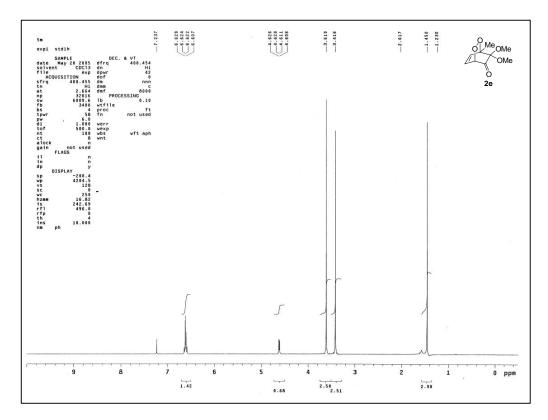
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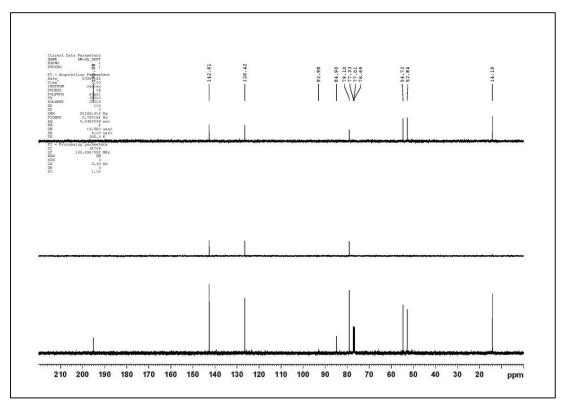
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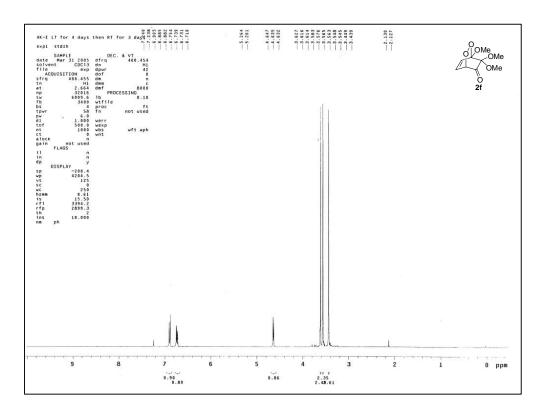
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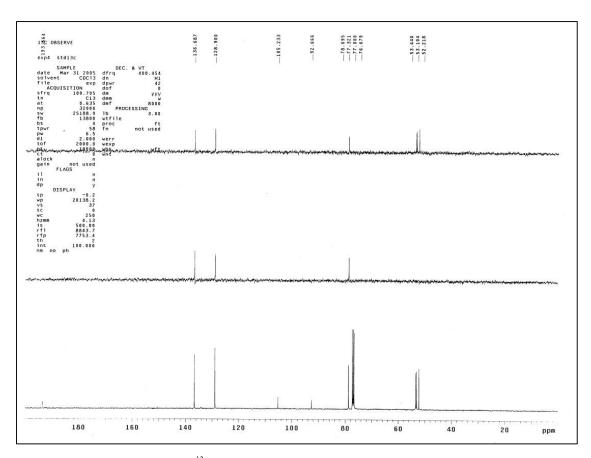
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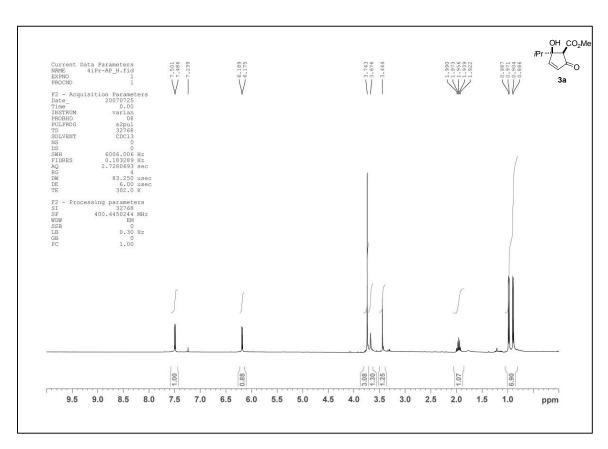
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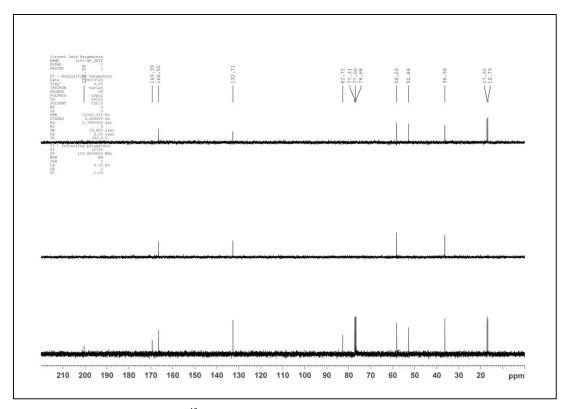
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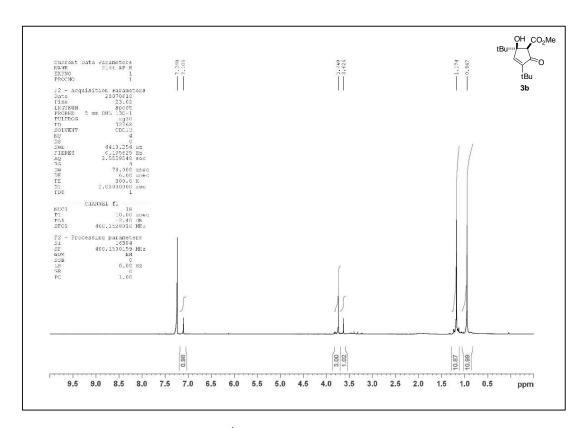
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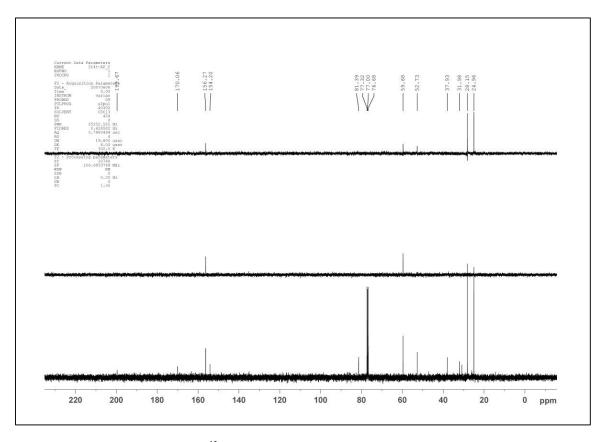
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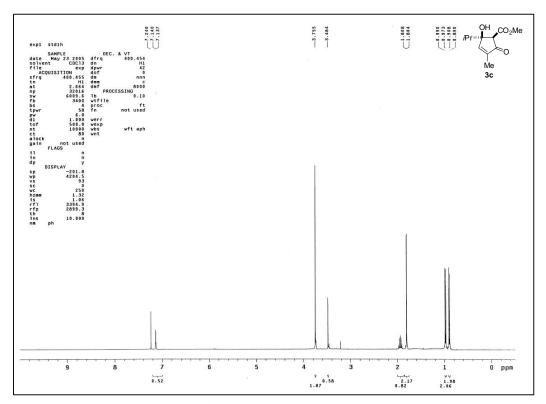
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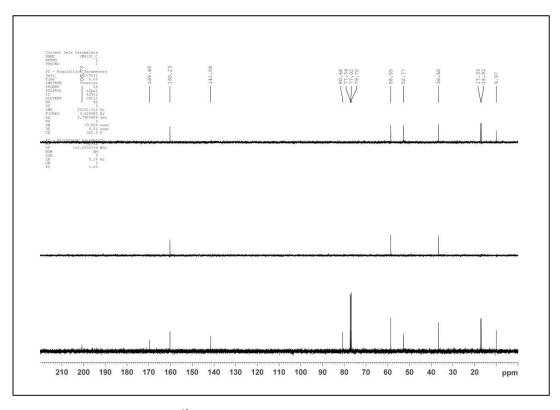
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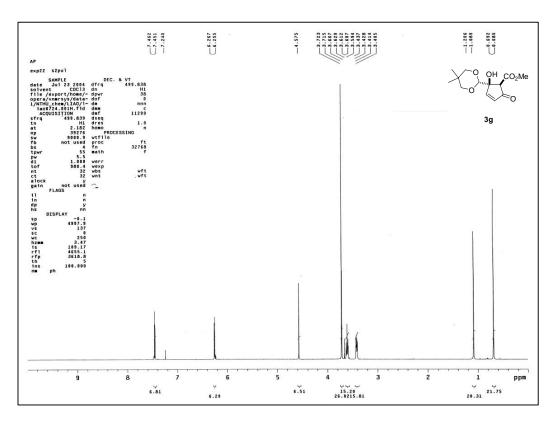
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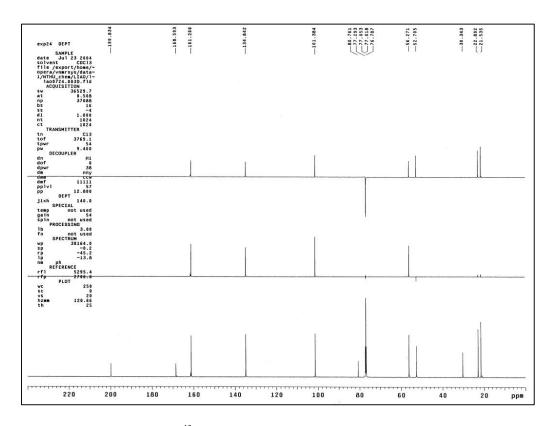
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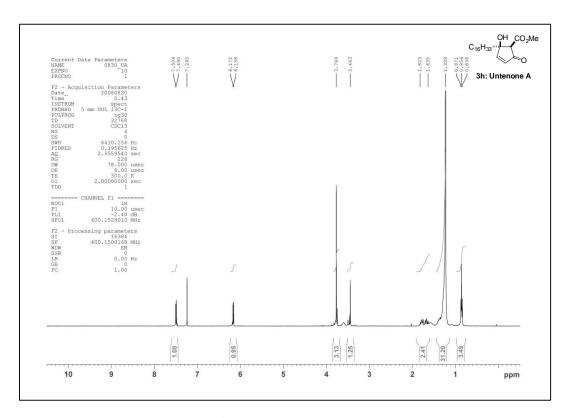
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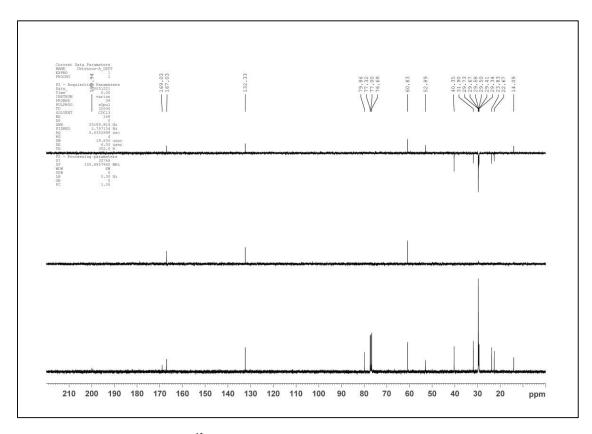
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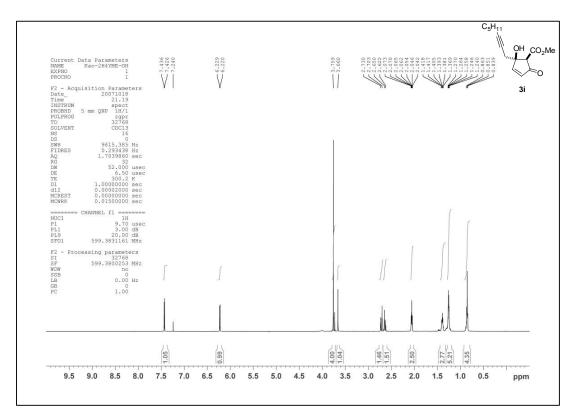
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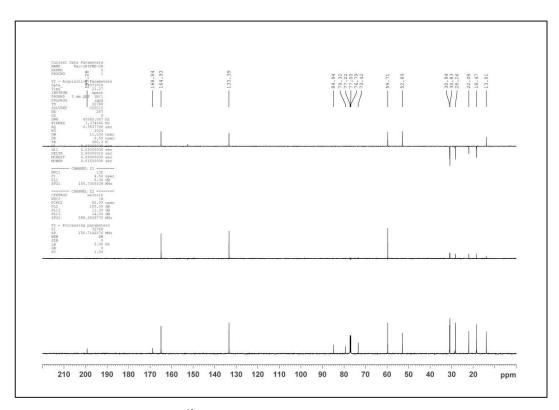
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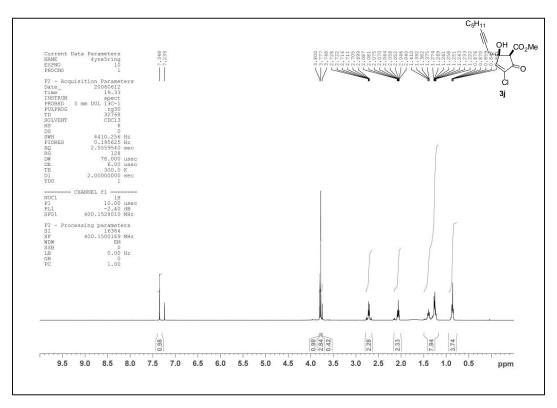
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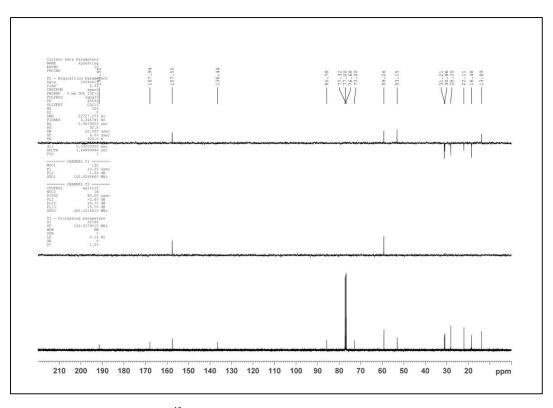
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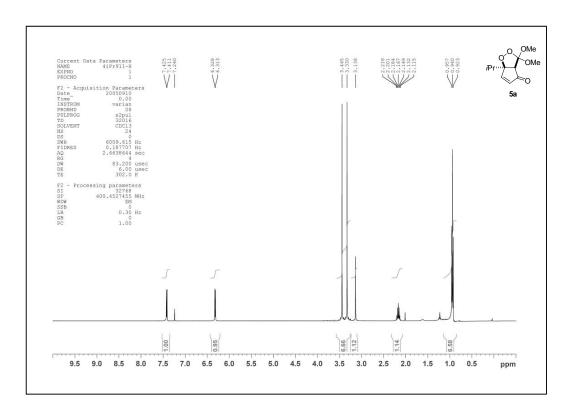
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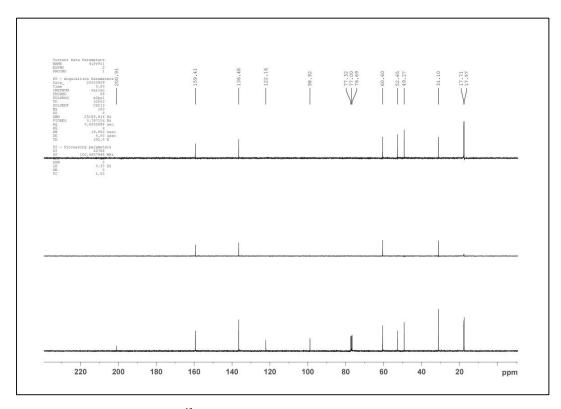
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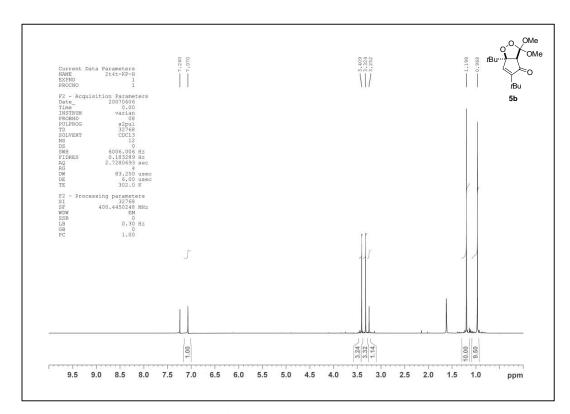
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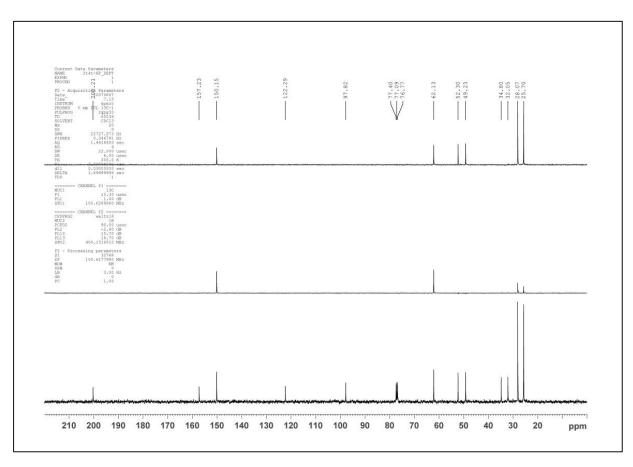
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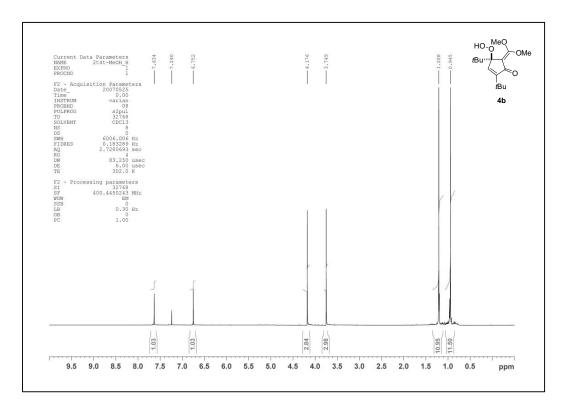
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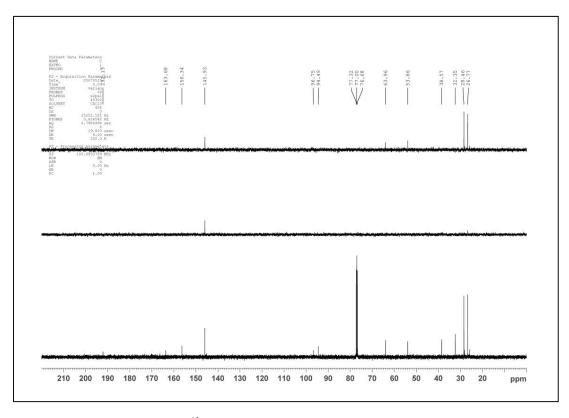
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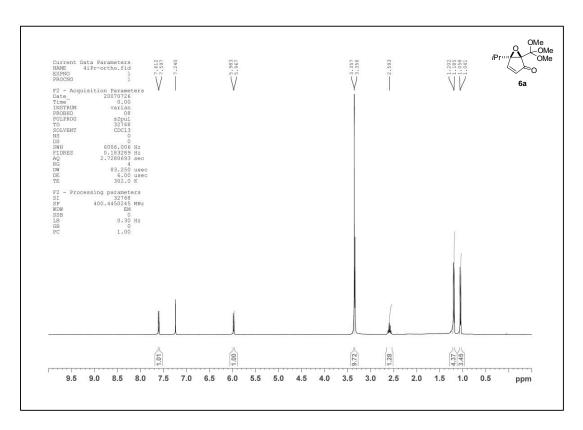
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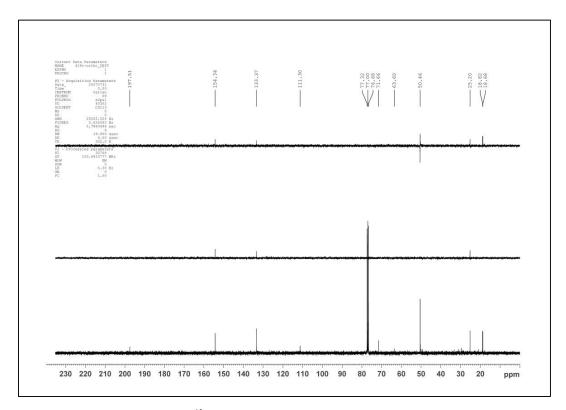
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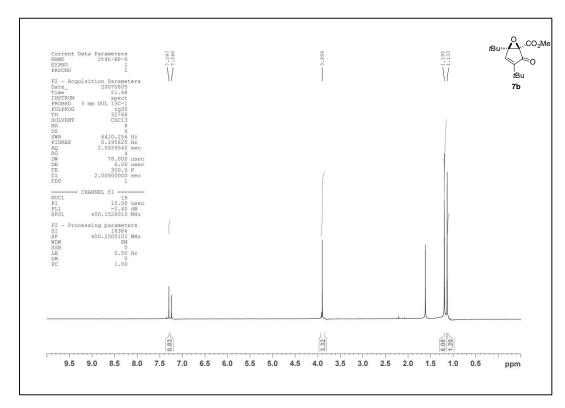
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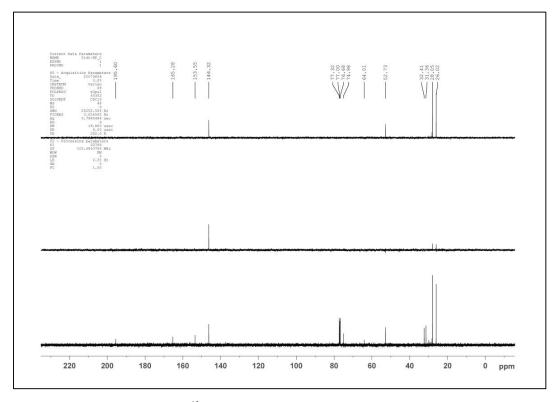
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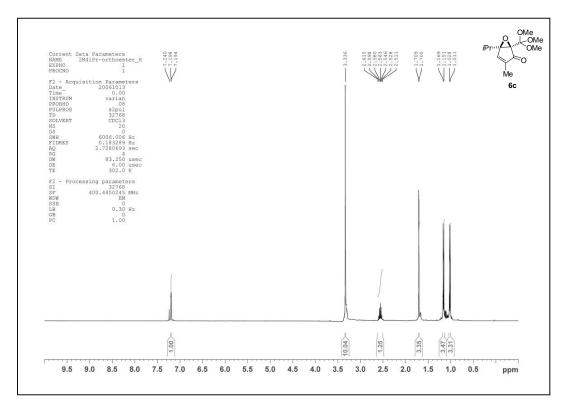
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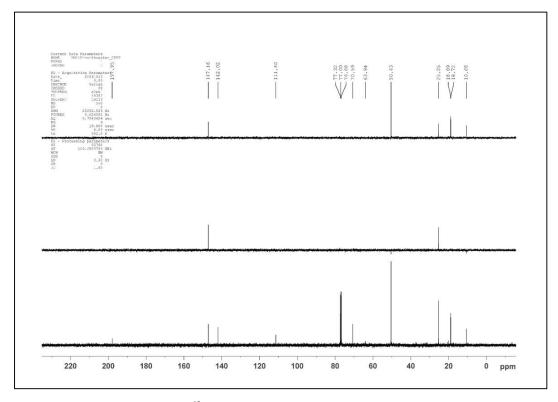
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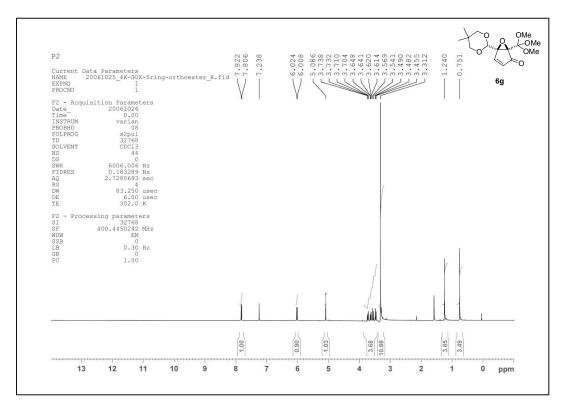
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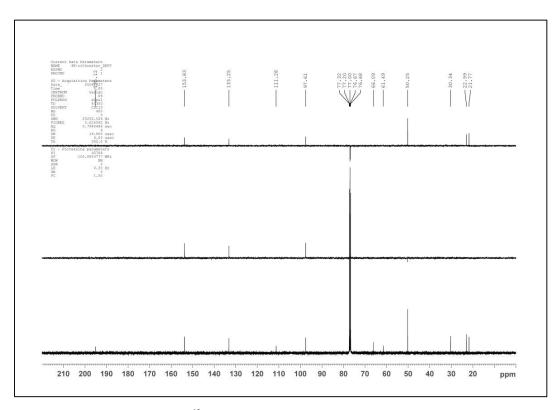
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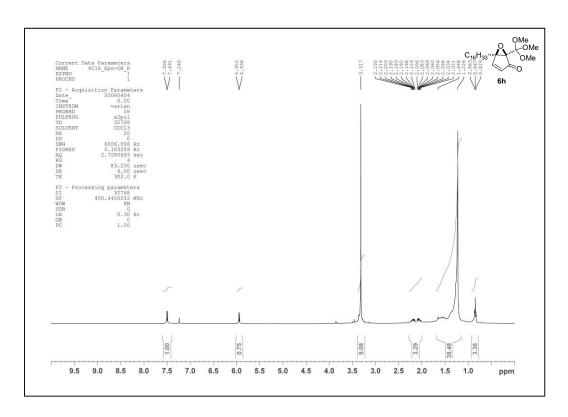
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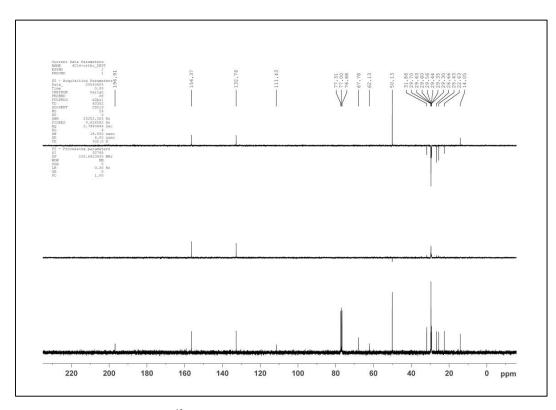
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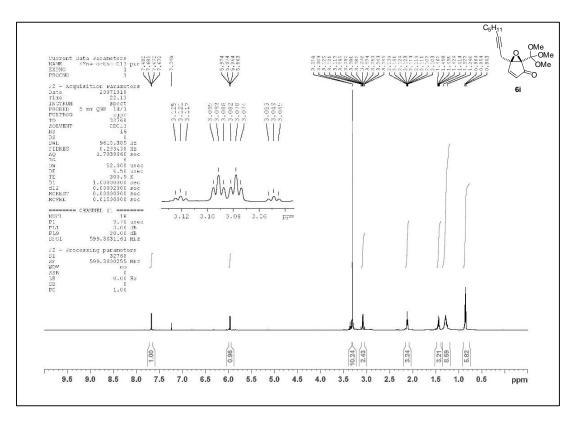
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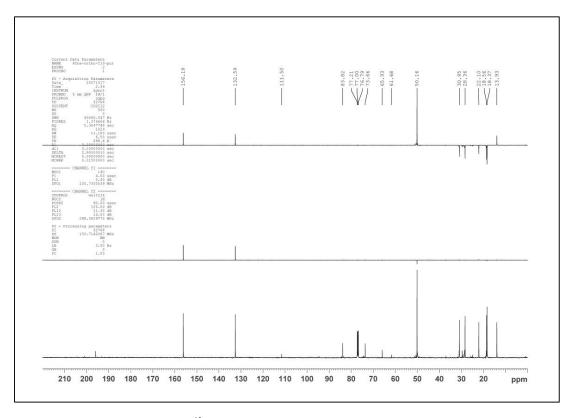
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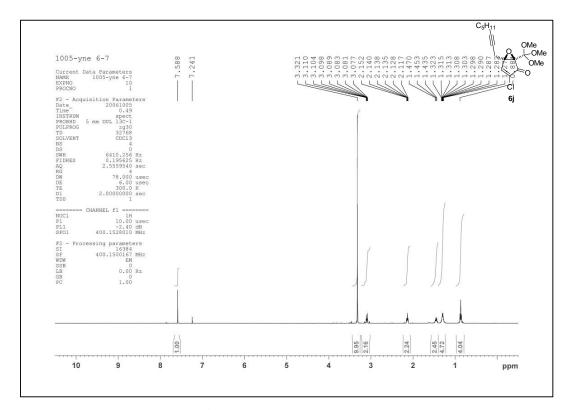
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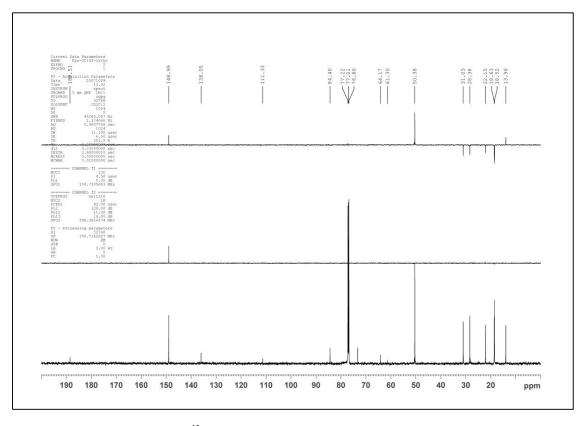
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¹³C NMR and DEPT of Compound **6i**



¹H NMR of Compound **6j**



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