

Organocatalytic enantioselective 1,6-aza-Michael addition of isoxazolin-5-ones to *p*-quinone methides

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Abstract: A thiourea-Brønsted base bifunctional catalyst allowed the enantioselective 1,6-aza-Michael addition of isoxazolin-5-ones to *p*-quinone methides to give isoxazolin-5-ones having a chiral diarylmethyl moiety attached to the N atom with fair to good yields and enantiomeric excesses. To the best of our knowledge this reaction represents the first example of enantioselective *N*-alkylation of isoxazolin-5-ones as well as the first example of enantioselective 1,6-aza-Michael reaction involving *p*-quinone methides.

Asymmetric conjugate addition reactions constitute one of the most powerful and efficient methods for the enantioselective construction of C-C and C-X bonds. Excellent levels of regio- (1,4- vs 1,2- addition) and stereoselectivity have been achieved for 1,4-conjugate additions of a range of nucleophiles and Michael acceptors.^[1] Compared with the 1,4-addition reaction, the enantioselective 1,6-conjugate addition is more challenging because of the longer distance between the carbonyl and the reaction site (reduced reactivity and stereogenic control) as well as for the presence of an additional electrophilic atom (regioselectivity).^[2] Nevertheless excellent results in terms of regio- and enantioselectivity have been obtained by using metal-catalysis^[3] or organocatalysis.^[4] In this context, *p*-quinone methides (*p*-QMs), characterized by a six-membered cyclic bis-vinylous enone framework prone to aromatize, have emerged as reactive electrophiles in enantioselective 1,6-conjugate additions to give compounds possessing a chiral diarylmethyl unit.^[5] Most examples involve carbon nucleophiles,^[5,6] although the addition of B₂(pin)₂ and thioacetic acid have been also reported.^[7] However, there are no examples on enantioselective 1,6-conjugate addition of nitrogen nucleophiles to *p*-QMs, to the best of our knowledge,^[8] although the enantioselective *N*-alkylation of 2,3-disubstituted indoles with the related *aza-p*-QMs has been reported.^[9]

On the other hand, the isoxazolin-5-one heterocyclic moiety is found in a variety of natural products isolated from different plant families^[10] and insects.^[11] Many of these compounds show

biological activity and, therefore, the isoxazol-5-one group has become a platform for the development of new drug candidates. Examples include compounds with antibacterial^[12] and cytostatic^[13] activities as well as enzyme inhibitors for hormone-sensitive lipase,^[14] human neutrophil elastase,^[15] p38 MAP kinase^[16] and NAD⁺-dependent protein deacetylases (Figure 1).^[17] Isoxazol-5-ones are also being studied for the development of new materials for photonic applications.^[18] Furthermore, isoxazol-5-ones are highly functionalized and show a rich panorama of chemical reactivity, being used in organic synthesis as versatile building blocks.^[19]

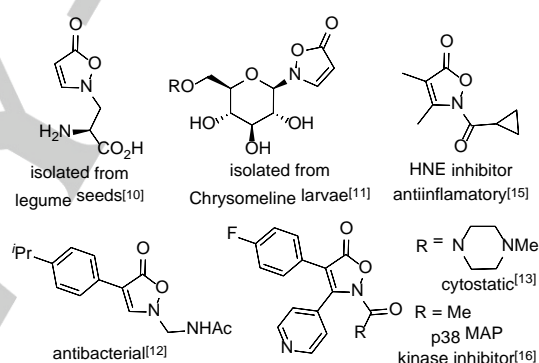


Figure 1. Examples of natural and bioactive *N*-substituted isoxazolin-5-ones

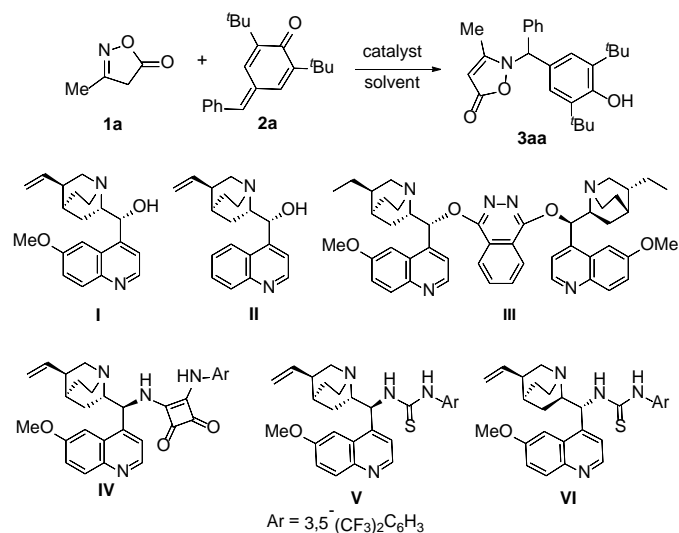
Accordingly, the development of new procedures for the synthesis of this particular heterocyclic and its decoration constitutes an important goal for organic chemists. Despite this, the use of isoxazolin-5-ones as nucleophiles in enantioselective reactions is still underdeveloped. Ma reported the first example consisting of a sequential conjugate addition/dearomatization fluorination with nitroolefins catalyzed by a bifunctional chiral tertiary amino-thiourea catalyst.^[20] Later, Wang described the organocatalytic asymmetric fluorination of 4-substituted isoxazolinones.^[21] Peters reported the regioselective C-alkylation of 4-substituted isoxazolinones forming quaternary stereocenters by a palladium-catalyzed 1,4-addition to vinyl ketones.^[22] The same group reported later a regioselective asymmetric C-allylation of isoxazolinones via an iridium-catalyzed *N*-allylation followed by a spontaneous *aza*-Cope rearrangement. In this study, *N*-allylated products were obtained when allyl carbonates substituted with alkyl chains were used.^[23] Finally, an organocatalytic asymmetric four-component [5+1+1+1] cycloaddition via a cascade process that involves a double alkylation at C4 in isoxazolinones has been developed by Du and Chen, recently.^[24]

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In this communication, we report our results on the asymmetric *N*-alkylation of isoxazolinones via a 1,6-*aza*-Michael addition to *p*-QMs to give isoxazolinones bearing a chiral diarylmethyl motif attached to the N atom (Scheme 1). To the best of our knowledge, this is the first example of asymmetric 1,6-nucleophilic addition of *N*-nucleophiles to *p*-QMs.



Scheme 1. Reaction between 3-methyl-4(*H*)-isoxazol-5-one (**1a**) and *p*-QM **2a**, and organocatalysts used in this study.

Table 1. Enantioselective addition of 3-methyl-4(*H*)-isoxazol-5-one (**1a**) to *p*-QM **2a**. Optimization of the reaction conditions.^[a]

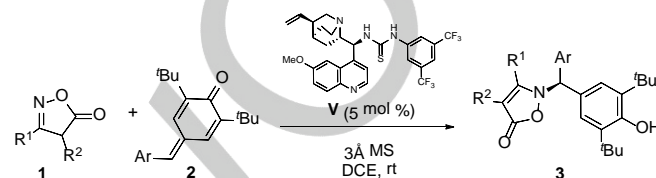
entry	catalyst	solvent	yield [%] ^[b]	ee [%] ^[c]
1	I	toluene	30	56
2	II	toluene	36	52
3	III	toluene	30	25
4	IV	toluene	31	9
5	V	toluene	48	66
6	VI	toluene	23	37
7	V	DCE	42	85
8 ^[d]	V	DCE	48	86
9 ^[d,e]	V	DCE	65	87

[a] **1a** (0.1 mmol), **2a** (0.1 mmol), catalyst (0.005 mmol), solvent (1 mL), room temperature, 6 days. [b] Yield after column chromatography. [c] Determined by HPLC using chiral stationary phases. [d] Reaction carried out with **1a** (0.1 mmol) and **2a** (0.15 mmol). [e] Reaction carried out in the presence of 3 Å MS (32 mg).

The reaction between 3-methyl-4(*H*)-isoxazol-5-one (**1a**) and *p*-QM **2a** in toluene at room temperature was used for the optimization of the reaction conditions (see also SI). Several organocatalyst (5 mol %) including *Cinchona* alkaloid bases as well as bifunctional squaramides and thioureas were screened. In all the cases the main reaction product obtained was the *N*-

alkylated isoxazolinone **3aa** (Scheme 1). The best result in terms of enantioselectivity (66% ee) was obtained with quinine-derived thiourea **V** (Table 1, entry 5). Changing the solvent to dichloroethane (DCE) allowed to increase the enantiomeric excess of the reaction product to 85% (Table 1, entry 7). The yield of the reaction could be improved by adding an excess of *p*-QM (Table 1, entry 8). Finally, using 3 Å MS as an additive permitted further increase of the enantioselectivity, compound **3aa** being obtained in 65% yield and 87% ee (Table 1, entry 9).

Table 2. Enantioselective 1,6-*aza*-Michael addition of 4(*H*)-isoxazol-5-ones **1** to *p*-quinone methides **2** catalyzed by thiourea **V**. Reaction scope.^[a]



entry	1	R ¹	R ²	2	Ar	t [d]	3	yield [%] ^[b]	ee [%] ^[c]
1	1a	Me	H	2a	Ph	6	3aa	65	87
2	1b	Et	H	2a	Ph	6	3ba	51	81
3	1c	Pr	H	2a	Ph	6	3ca	50	81
4	1d	Ph	H	2a	Ph	6	3da	77	54
5	1e	^o Pr	H	2a	Ph	1	3ea	78	89
6	1f	Me	Me	2a	Ph	1	3fa	62	47
7	1a	Me	H	2b	<i>p</i> -MeC ₆ H ₄	6	3ab	23	72
8	1a	Me	H	2c	<i>p</i> -MeOC ₆ H ₄	6	3ac	66	62
9	1a	Me	H	2d	<i>p</i> -ClC ₆ H ₄	6	3ad	62	88
10	1a	Me	H	2e	<i>p</i> -O ₂ NC ₆ H ₄	6	3ae	74	84
11	1a	Me	H	2f	<i>o</i> -MeOC ₆ H ₄	6	3af	43	48
12	1a	Me	H	2g	<i>o</i> -ClC ₆ H ₄	6	3ag	47	89
13	1a	Me	H	2h	<i>o</i> -BrC ₆ H ₄	6	3ah	43	90
14	1a	Me	H	2i	<i>m</i> -MeOC ₆ H ₄	6	3ai	20	25
15	1a	Me	H	2j	<i>m</i> -ClC ₆ H ₄	6	3aj	36	81
16	1a	Me	H	2k	<i>m</i> -O ₂ NC ₆ H ₄	6	3ak	56	77
17	1e	^o Pr	H	2c	<i>p</i> -MeOC ₆ H ₄	1	3ec	75	79
18	1e	^o Pr	H	2d	<i>p</i> -ClC ₆ H ₄	1	3ed	78	88
19	1e	^o Pr	H	2e	<i>p</i> -O ₂ NC ₆ H ₄	1	3ee	80	86
20	1e	^o Pr	H	2g	<i>o</i> -ClC ₆ H ₃	1	3eg	76	92
21	1e	^o Pr	H	2i	<i>m</i> -MeOC ₆ H ₄	2	3ei	82	82
22	1e	^o Pr	H	2j	<i>m</i> -ClC ₆ H ₄	1	3ej	80	88
23 ^[d]	1e	^o Pr	H	2a	Ph	1	3ea	71	86

[a] **1a** (0.1 mmol), **2a** (0.15 mmol), **V** (0.005 mmol), DCE (1 mL), 3 Å MS (32 mg), room temperature. [b] Yield after column chromatography. [c] Determined by HPLC using chiral stationary phases. [d] Reaction carried out with 1 mmol of **1e**.

Under these conditions, we examined next the scope of the reaction (Table 2). The effect of the substitution on the isoxazolinone ring was first tested with *p*-QM **2** (Table 2, entries 1-6). Increasing the bulk of the substituent at C3 in the oxazolinone from methyl to propyl caused a decrease of yield and enantioselectivity (Table 2, entries 1-3). Isoxazolinone **1d** bearing a phenyl ring at this position also reacted with good yield but moderate enantioselectivity (Table 2, entry 4). On the other hand, the presence of a cyclopropyl group attached at C3 increased the reactivity of the oxazolinone and allowed to obtain the corresponding product **3ea** with good yield (78%) and 89% ee (Table 2, entry 5). The disubstituted 3,4-dimethyl-4(*H*)-isoxazol-5-one (**1f**) also reacted quick but the expected product **3fa** was obtained with only 47% ee (Table 2, entry 6).

Next we examined the scope regarding the *p*-quinone methide partner. In general, *p*-QMs having aryl groups substituted with electron-donating substituents at either position reacted with isoxazolinone **1a** with lower yields and enantioselectivities than their analogues having aryl groups substituted with electron-withdrawing groups (Table 2, entries 7, 8 and 11 vs entries 9, 10, 12, 15 and 16). Furthermore, it was found that, for a same substituent, *ortho*- or *para*-substituted rings performed better than *meta*-substituted ones (Table 2, entries 7-10 vs entries 14-16).

We also examined the reaction of cyclopropyl-substituted isoxazolinone **1e** with a number of *p*-QMs (Table 2, entries 17-22). Again, we found better results in terms of yield and enantioselectivity compared with the reactions with methyl-substituted isoxazolinone **1a**. In this case, good results were obtained even for *p*-QMs having *ortho*-, *meta*- or *para*-substituted phenyl rings. Finally, it should be noted that the reaction between isoxazolinone **1e** and *p*-QM **2a** was scaled up to 1 mmol scale with just a minor erosion on the yield and enantioselectivity (Table 2, entry 23).

The configuration of the stereogenic center in compound **3ad** was determined to be (*S*) on the basis of X-ray crystallographic analysis (Figure 2);^[25] the stereochemistry of the remaining compounds **3** was assigned on the assumption of a uniform stereochemical pathway.

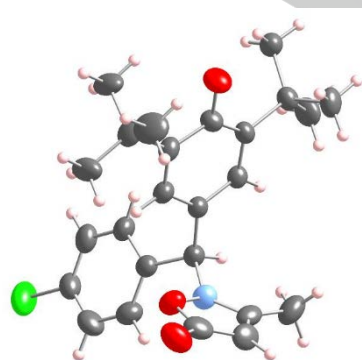


Figure 2. Ortep plot for the X-ray structure of compound **3ad**. The thermal ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level. Flack parameter -0.07(9).

In summary, a bifunctional thiourea-Brønsted base catalyst allowed the first asymmetric 1,6-*aza*-Michael addition to *p*-quinone methides. Isoxazolinones were used as *N*-nucleophiles to give isoxazolinones having a chiral diarylmethyl moiety attached to the N atom. The reaction is broad in scope and provided the expected products with fair to good yields and high enantiomeric excesses. Further research to extend this enantioselective reaction to other nitrogen-containing compounds is underway in our laboratory.

Experimental Section

General procedure for the 1,6-*aza*-Michael addition. A round bottom flask was charged with the *para*-quinone methide **2** (0.15 mmol), isoxazolin-5-one **1** (0.1 mmol), 3Å MS (32 mg) and thiourea **V** (3.7 mg, 0.005 mmol). 1,2-Dichloroethane (1 mL) was added and the mixture was stirred at room temperature until completion (TLC). The MS was removed by filtration and the resulting solution was chromatographed on silica gel eluting with hexane:EtOAc mixtures to give compound **3**.

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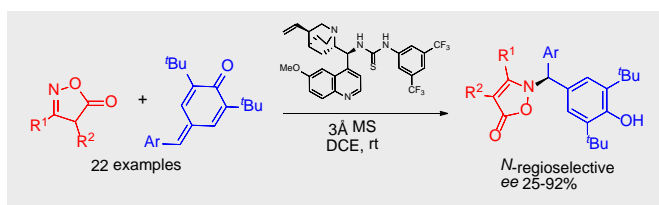
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Organocatalytic enantioselective 1,6-aza-Michael addition of isoxazolin-5-ones to *p*-quinone methides

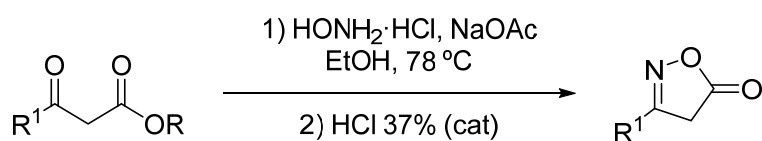
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Materials and methods.

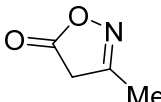
All reagents were purchased from commercial suppliers and used without further purification. All solvents employed in the reactions were distilled from appropriate drying agents prior to use. Reactions were monitored by TLC analysis using Merck Silica Gel 60 F-254 thin layer plates. Flash column chromatography was performed on Merck silica gel 60, 0.040-0.063 mm. Melting points were determined in capillary tubes. NMR spectra were run at 300 MHz for ^1H and at 75 MHz for ^{13}C NMR using residual nondeuterated solvent (CHCl_3) as internal standard (δ 7.26 and 77.0 ppm, respectively). Chemical shifts are given in ppm. The carbon type was determined by DEPT experiments. High resolution mass spectra (ESI) were recorded on a Q-TOF spectrometer equipped with an electrospray source with a capillary voltage of 3.3 kV (ESI). Specific optical rotations were measured using sodium light (D line 589 nm). Chiral HPLC analyses were performed in a chromatograph equipped with a UV diode-array detector using chiral stationary phase columns from Daicel or Phenomenex.

General procedure for the synthesis of isoxazole-5-ones (1a-1d).^[1,2]

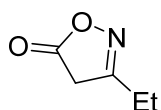


To a round bottom flask charged with $\text{HONH}_2\cdot\text{HCl}$ (1.5 eq) in EtOH (0.5 M respect to the β -ketoester), is added NaOAc (1.5 eq). The mixture is allowed to stir at room temperature for 5 min. Then, the β -ketoester (1 eq) is added. The reaction is heated to reflux until no more starting material is detected on TLC (one typically observes the presence of both the final product and the oxime intermediate). At this point, the solution is allowed to cool to room temperature, $\text{HCl}_{37\%}$ (5 μL / mmol β -ketoester) is added, and the solution is heated back to reflux until no more oxime can be observed on TLC (4-6h). Next, the solution is filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. If necessary, the crude material can be purified by recrystallization or flash column chromatography.

3-Methylisoxazol-5(4H)-one (1a)^[1]

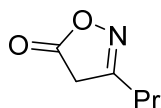
 From ethyl acetoacetate (2.0 g, 15.4 mmol), 1.45 g (95%) of compound **1a** were obtained after column chromatograph.; $^1\text{H NMR}$ (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 3.39 (2H, q, $J = 0.9$ Hz, CH_2), 2.16 (3H, t, $J = 0.9$ Hz, CH_3); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 175.3 (C, C=O), 163.6 (C=N), 36.9 (CH_2), 14.7 (CH_3).

3-Ethylisoxazol-5(4H)-one (2b)^[1]



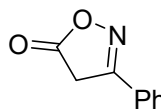
From ethyl 3-oxopentanoate (1.0 g, 6.93 mmol), 768.9 mg (98%) of compound **1b** were obtained after column chromatography. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.38 (2H, s, CH₂-C=O), 2.50 (2H, q, *J* = 7.5 Hz, CH₂-CH₃), 1.23 (3H, t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 175.2 (C, C=O), 167.7 (C, C=N), 35.6 (CH₂, CH₂-C=O), 22.8 (CH₂, Et), 10.1 (CH₃, Et).

3-Propylisoxazol-5(4H)-one (1c)^[2]



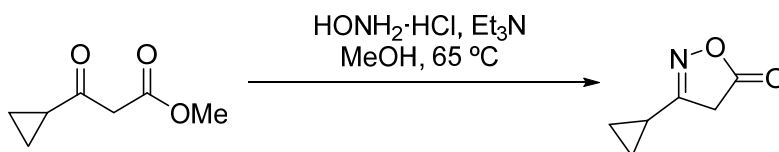
From ethyl 3-oxohexanoate (1.0 g, 6.33 mmol), 739.8 mg (92%) of compound **1c** were obtained after column chromatography. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.37 (2H, s, CH₂-CO), 2.44 (2H, t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, CH₂-CH₂-CH₃), 1.64 (2H, sextuplet, *J* = 7.5 Hz, CH₂-CH₂-CH₃), 1.00 (3H, t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 175.3 (C, C=O), 166.8 (C, C=N), 35.7 (CH₂, CH₂-C=O), 30.9 (CH₂, CH₂-CH₂-CH₃), 19.3 (CH₂, CH₂-CH₂-CH₃), 13.6 (CH₃, CH₂-CH₂-CH₃).

3-Phenylisoxazol-5(4H)-one (1d)^[1]



From ethyl 3-oxo-3-phenylpropanoate (1.0 g, 5.20 mmol), 721.1 mg (86%) of compound **1d** were obtained after column chromatography. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.68 (2H, dt, *J*₁ = 5.7 Hz, *J*₂ = 1.5 Hz, Ar), 7.67-7.47 (3H, m, Ar), 3.81 (2H, t, *J* = 2.7 Hz, CH₂); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 174.7 (C, C=O), 163.1 (C, C=N), 132.1 (CH, Ar), 129.2 (CH, Ar), 127.5 (C, Ar), 126.6 (CH, Ar), 33.9 (CH₂, CH₂-CO).

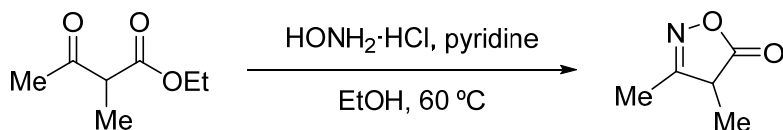
Synthesis of 3-cyclopropylisoxazol-5(4H)-one (1e).^[3]



Et₃N (2.19 mL, 15.8 mmol) is added to a solution of HONH₂·HCl (1.09 g, 15.8 mmol) in MeOH (37 mL). The mixture is stirred at room temperature for 5 min and methyl 3-cyclopropyl-3-oxopropanoate (2.00 g, 14.1 mmol) is added. The reaction is heated to reflux for 3 hours, then allowed to cool to room temperature, filtered and washed with EtOAc (30 mL). The filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure and chromatographed eluting with EtOC to give 1.47 g (83%) of compound **1e**. ¹H NMR

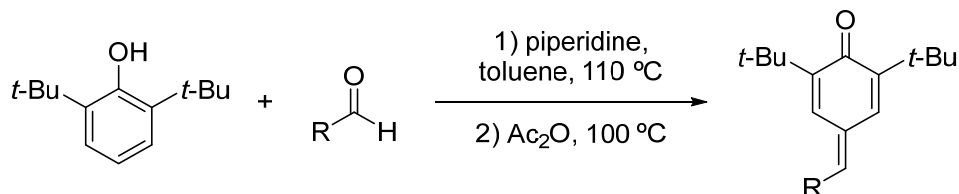
(300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.25 (2H, t, J = 0.5 Hz, CH₂), 1.85-1.78 (1H, m, *c*-Pr), 1.09-1.06 (2H, m, *c*-Pr), 0.91-0.86 (2H, m, *c*-Pr); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 175.0 (C, C=O), 168.9 (C, C=N), 34.2 (CH₂, CH₂-CO), 10.1 (CH, *c*-Pr), 7.39 (CH₂, *c*-Pr).

Procedure for the synthesis of 3,4-dimethylisoxazol-5(4H)-one (1f).^[4]



Pyridine (3.35 mL, 41.6 mmol) is added to a solution of HONH₂·HCl (1.92 g, 27.7 mmol) in EtOH (14 mL). The mixture is stirred at room temperature for 5 min and ethyl 2-methyl-3-oxobutanoate (2.00 g, 13.9 mmol) is added. The reaction mixture is heated to 60 °C for x hours until no starting material is detected (TLC) and allowed to cool to rt. H₂O (40 mL) is added and the mixture is extracted with EtOAc (3 × 40 mL), the organic layer is washed with 1M HCl (20 mL) and brine (2 × 20 mL). The combined organic layer is dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. Column chromatography gave 0.988 mg (63%) of compound **1f**. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.30 (1H, q, J = 7.8 Hz, CH_{imine}), 2.14 (1.50H, s, CH_{3, enamine}), 2.10 (3H, s, CH_{3, imine}), 1.77 (1.50H, s, CH_{3, enamine}), 1.45 (3H, s, CH_{3, imine}).

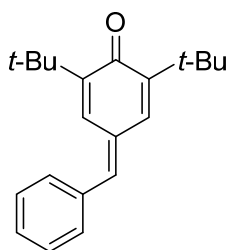
General procedure for the synthesis of *p*-quinone methides (2a-2n).^[5-6]



A mixture of aldehyde (4.85 mmol) and 2,6-di-*tert*-butylphenol (1.0 g, 4.85 mmol) in toluene (20 mL) was placed in a round bottom flask provided with a Dean-Stark system. The mixture was brought to reflux and piperidine (0.96 mL, 4.85 mmol) was dropwise added within an hour and the resultant mixture was stirred at reflux temperature for further 12 hours. The reaction mixture was cooled to 100 °C and acetic anhydride (0.92 mL, 9.7 mmol) was added and the resulting solution was stirred for 30 minutes at the same temperature. The reaction mixture was then cooled to room temperature and poured into ice cold water (50 mL) and extracted with dichloromethane (2 × 50 mL). The combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous sodium sulphate, filtered and

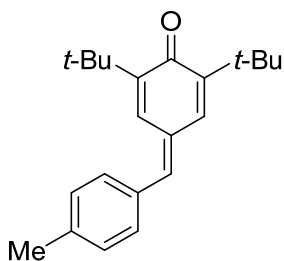
concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography to obtain a pure *p*-quinone methide.

4-Benzylidene-2,6-di-*tert*-butylcyclohexa-2,5-dien-1-one (2a)^[5]



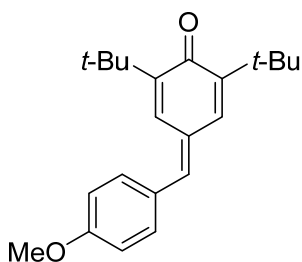
From 2,6-di-*tert*-butylphenol (2.0 g, 9.69 mmol) and benzaldehyde (0.98 mL, 9.69 mmol), 1.49 g (52%) of compound **2a** were obtained after column chromatography. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.36 (1H, d, *J* = 2.4 Hz), 7.27-7.17 (5H, m), 6.98 (1H, s), 6.84 (1H, d, *J* = 2.4 Hz), 1.17 (9H, s), 1.13 (9H, s); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 186.6 (C), 147.8 (C), 145.9 (C), 142.5 (CH), 135.1 (CH), 131.9 (C), 130.3 (CH), 129.0 (C), 128.7 (CH), 127.8 (CH), 35.4 (C), 34.9 (C), 29.5 (CH₃), 29.4 (CH₃).

2,6-Di-*tert*-butyl-4-(4-methylbenzylidene)cyclohexa-2,5-dien-1-one (2b)^[5]



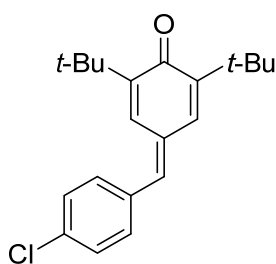
From 2,6-di-*tert*-butylphenol (1.0 g, 4.85 mmol), and 4-methylbenzaldehyde (0.57 mL, 4.85 mmol), 598.4 mg (40%) of compound **2b** were obtained after column chromatography. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.55 (1H, d, *J* = 2.3 Hz), 7.38 (1H, s), 7.36 (1H, s), 7.27 (1H, s), 7.25 (1H, s), 7.16 (1H, s), 7.01 (1H, d, *J* = 2.3 Hz), 2.41 (3H, s), 1.34 (9H, s), 1.31 (9H, s); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 186.5 (C), 149.7 (C), 148.1 (C), 140.6 (CH), 135.1 (C), 134.9 (CH), 134.4 (C), 132.4 (C), 131.5 (CH), 129.1 (CH), 127.3 (CH), 35.5 (C), 35.0 (C), 29.5 (CH₃), 29.4 (CH₃).

2,6-Di-*tert*-butyl-4-(4-methoxybenzylidene)cyclohexa-2,5-dien-1-one (2c)^[5]



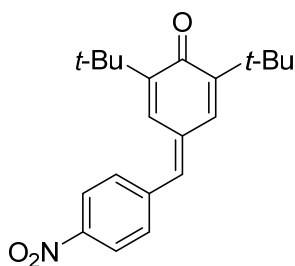
From 2,6-di-*tert*-butylphenol (1.0 g, 4.85 mmol) and 4-methoxybenzaldehyde (0.59 mL, 4.85 mmol), 849.8 mg (54%) of compound **2c** were obtained after column chromatography. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.56-7.60 (1H, m), 7.45-7.43 (2H, m), 7.13 (1H, s), 7.00-7.09 (2H, m), 6.97 (1H, m), 3.87 (3H, s), 1.33 (9H, s), 1.32 (9H, s); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 186.5 (C), 160.6 (C), 148.9 (C), 147.2 (C), 142.7 (CH), 135.4 (CH), 132.2 (CH), 130.5 (C), 128.6 (C), 127.8 (CH), 114.4 (CH), 55.8 (CH₃O), 35.4 (C), 34.9 (C), 29.6 (CH₃), 29.5 (CH₃).

2,6-Di-*tert*-butyl-4-(4-chlorobenzylidene)cyclohexa-2,5-dien-1-one (2d)^[5]



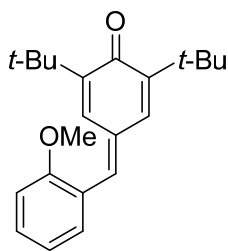
From 2,6-di-*tert*-butylphenol (1.0 g, 4.85 mmol), and 4-chlorobenzaldehyde (0.68 g, 4.85 mmol), 733.7 mg (46%) of compound **2d** were obtained after column chromatography. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.44-7.36 (5H, m), 7.11 (1H, s), 6.98 (1H, d, *J* = 2.4 Hz), 1.33 (9H, s), 1.29 (9H, s); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 186.6 (C), 149.1 (C), 147.5 (C), 142.8 (CH), 139.5 (C), 135.3 (CH), 133.2 (C), 131.4 (C), 130.5 (CH), 129.6 (CH), 127.9 (CH), 35.4 (C), 34.9 (C), 29.5 (CH₃), 29.4 (CH₃).

2,6-Di-*tert*-butyl-4-(4-nitrobenzylidene)cyclohexa-2,5-dien-1-one (2e)^[5]



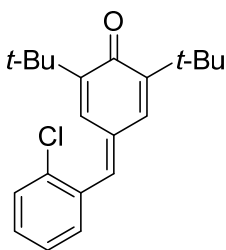
From 2,6-di-*tert*-butylphenol (1.0 g, 4.85 mmol), and 4-nitrobenzaldehyde (0.73 g, 4.85 mmol), 856.1 mg (52%) of compound **2e** were obtained after column chromatography. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.60-7.63 (2H, m), 7.55-7.57 (2H, m), 7.37 (1H, d, *J* = 2.4 Hz), 7.15 (1H, s), 7.01 (1H, d, *J* = 2.4 Hz), 1.33 (9H, s), 1.29 (9H, s); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 186.4 (C), 150.7 (C), 149.1 (C), 147.4 (C), 142.3 (C), 138.3 (CH), 134.4 (C), 134.3 (CH), 130.7 (CH), 126.6 (CH), 123.9 (CH), 35.5 (C), 35.1 (C), 29.5 (CH₃), 29.4 (CH₃).

2,6-Di-*tert*-butyl-4-(2-methoxybenzylidene)cyclohexa-2,5-dien-1-one (2f)^[5]



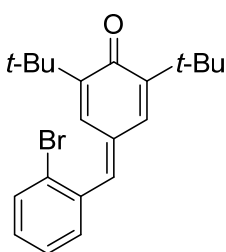
From 2,6-di-*tert*-butylphenol (1.0 g, 4.85 mmol), and 2-methoxybenzaldehyde (0.59 mL, 4.85 mmol), 676.7 mg (43%) of compound **2f** were obtained after column chromatography. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.46 (1H, d, *J* = 2.3 Hz), 7.42 (2H, m), 7.36 (1H, s), 7.07 (1H, d, *J* = 2.3 Hz), 6.94-7.04 (2H, m), 3.89 (3H, s), 1.34 (9H, s), 1.29 (9H, s); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 186.7 (C), 158.3 (C), 148.9 (C), 147.4 (C), 138.7 (CH), 135.3 (CH), 131.8 (CH), 131.6 (C), 130.8 (CH), 128.3 (CH), 124.9 (C), 120.5 (CH), 110.8 (CH), 55.5 (CH₃), 35.4 (C), 34.9 (C), 29.5 (CH₃), 29.4 (CH₃).

2,6-Di-*tert*-butyl-4-(2-chlorobenzylidene)cyclohexa-2,5-dien-1-one (2g)^[5]



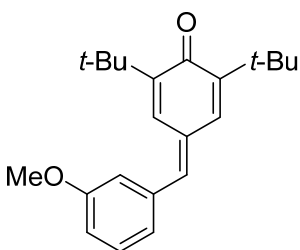
From 2,6-di-*tert*-butylphenol (1.0 g, 4.85 mmol), and 2-chlorobenzaldehyde (0.54 mL, 4.85 mmol), 845.4 mg (53%) of compound **2g** were obtained after column chromatography. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.50-7.30 (6H, m), 7.07 (1H, d, *J* = 2.3 Hz), 1.34 (9H, s), 1.27 (9H, s); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 186.6 (C), 149.7 (C), 148.3 (C), 138.6 (CH), 134.8 (C), 134.6 (CH), 134.1 (C), 132.8 (C), 132.1 (CH), 130.1 (CH), 130.0 (CH), 127.6 (CH), 126.6 (CH), 35.4 (C), 35.1 (C), 29.5 (CH₃), 29.4 (CH₃).

4-(2-Bromobenzylidene)-2,6-di-*tert*-butylcyclohexa-2,5-dien-1-one (2h)^[6]



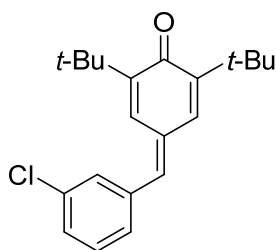
From 2,6-di-*tert*-butylphenol (1.0 g, 4.85 mmol), and 2-bromobenzaldehyde (0.57 mL, 4.85 mmol), 1.01 g (56%) of compound **2h** were obtained after column chromatography. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.68 (1H, d, *J* = 2.3 Hz), 7.40 (1H, s), 7.38 (1H, s), 7.28-7.25 (1H, m), 7.23 (1H, s), 7.07 (1H, d, *J* = 2.3 Hz), 1.34 (9H, s), 1.27 (9H, s); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 186.6 (C), 149.7 (C), 148.3 (C), 140.8 (CH), 135.8 (C), 134.6 (CH), 133.2 (CH), 132.6 (C), 132.2 (CH), 127.6 (CH), 127.2 (CH), 125.1 (C), 35.4 (C), 35.1 (C), 29.5 (CH₃), 29.4 (CH₃).

2,6-Di-*tert*-butyl-4-(3-methoxybenzylidene)cyclohexa-2,5-dien-1-one (2i)^[5]



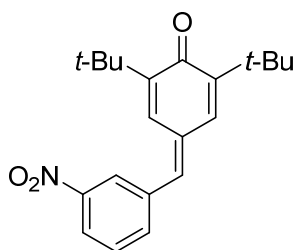
From 2,6-di-*tert*-butylphenol (1.0 g, 4.85 mmol), and 3-methoxybenzaldehyde (0.59 mL, 4.85 mmol), 660.9 mg (42%) of compound **2i** were obtained after column chromatography. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.56 (1H, d, *J* = 2.3 Hz), 7.36 (1H, t, *J* = 7.9 Hz), 7.16 (1H, s), 7.00 (4H, m), 3.85 (3H, s), 1.36 (9H, s), 1.30 (9H, s); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 186.5 (C), 159.7 (C), 149.3 (C), 147.8 (C), 142.4 (CH), 137.2 (C), 135.1 (CH), 129.8 (CH), 127.8 (CH), 127.9 (CH), 122.9 (C), 115.2 (CH), 55.3 (CH₃), 35.4 (C), 34.9 (C), 29.5 (CH₃), 29.4 (CH₃).

2,6-Di-*tert*-butyl-4-(3-chlorobenzylidene)cyclohexa-2,5-dien-1-one (2j)^[5]



From 2,6-di-*tert*-butylphenol (1.0 g, 4.85 mmol), and 3-chlorobenzaldehyde (0.55 mL, 4.85 mmol), 909.2 mg (57%) of compound **2j** were obtained after column chromatography. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.44-7.30 (5H, m), 7.10 (1H, s), 6.99 (1H, d, *J* = 2.3 Hz), 1.32 (9H, s), 1.29 (9H, s); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 186.5 (C), 149.8 (C), 148.3 (C), 140.0 (CH), 137.6 (C), 134.7 (C), 134.6 (CH), 132.8 (C), 130.0 (CH), 129.9 (CH), 128.8 (CH), 128.2 (CH), 127.2 (CH), 35.5 (C), 35.0 (C), 29.5 (CH₃), 29.4 (CH₃).

2,6-Di-*tert*-butyl-4-(3-nitrobenzylidene)cyclohexa-2,5-dien-1-one (2k)^[6]

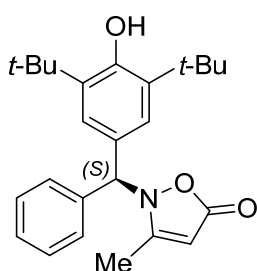


From 2,6-di-*tert*-butylphenol (1.0 g, 4.85 mmol) and 3-nitrobenzaldehyde (0.73 g, 4.85 mmol), 806.7 mg (49%) of compound **2k** were obtained after column chromatography. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.33 (1H, m), 8.25 (1H, m), 7.75 (1H, d, *J* = 7.9 Hz), 7.64 (1H, t, *J* = 7.9 Hz), 7.40 (1H, d, *J* = 2.3 Hz), 7.15 (1H, s), 7.02 (1H, d, *J* = 2.3 Hz), 1.33 (9H, s), 1.29 (9H, s); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 186.4 (C), 150.6 (C), 148.9 (C), 147.4 (C), 138.1 (CH), 135.6 (C), 133.8 (C), 129.8 (CH), 126.5 (CH), 124.8 (CH), 123.3 (CH), 35.5 (C), 35.1 (C), 29.5 (CH₃), 29.4 (CH₃).

General procedure for the enantioselective synthesis of *N*-alkylated isoxazolin-5-ones (**3**).

A round bottom flask was charged with the *para*-quinone methide **2** (0.15 mmol), isoxazolin-5-one **1** (0.1 mmol), 3Å MS (32 mg) and thiourea **V** (3.7 mg, 0.005 mmol). 1,2-Dichloroethane (1 mL) was added and the mixture was stirred at room temperature until completion (TLC). The MS was removed by filtration and the resulting solution was chromatographed on silica gel eluting with hexane:EtOAc mixtures to give compound **3**.

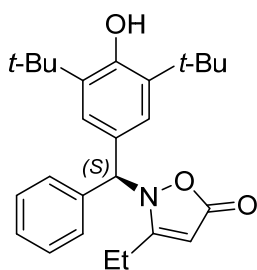
(*S*)-2-((3,5-Di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)(phenyl)methyl)-3-methylisoxazol-5(2*H*)-one (**3aa**).



From 9.9 mg of **1a** and 44.2 mg of **2a**, were obtained 25.6 mg (65%) of **3aa**. Enantiomeric excess (87%) was determined using chiral HPLC (Chiralcel OD-H), hexane/*i*-PrOH 90:10, 1 mL/min. Minor enantiomer $t_r = 12.2$ min, major enantiomer $t_r = 13.7$ min.

Yellow solid; **m.p.** = 167.9-169.8 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = + 12.9$ ($c = 0.85$, CHCl₃, 87% ee); **¹H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃), δ 7.36-7.26 (5H, m, Ar), 7.03 (2H, s, Ar), 6.04 (1H, s, CH-N), 5.27 (1H, s, OH), 5.02 (1H, q, $J = 0.9$ Hz, CH-COO), 2.20 (3H, d, $J = 0.9$ Hz, CH₃), 1.38 (18H, s, *t*-Bu); **¹³C NMR** (75 MHz, CDCl₃), δ 170.9 (C, C=O), 163.6 (C, C=C-N), 153.7 (C, Ar), 137.0 (C, Ar), 135.9 (C, Ar), 128.5 (CH, Ar), 128.2 (CH, Ar), 128.2 (C, Ar), 126.8 (C, Ar), 125.1 (CH, Ar), 91.0 (CH, C=C-C=O), 68.3 (CH, C-N), 34.3 (C, *t*-Bu), 30.2 (CH₃, *t*-Bu), 13.9 (CH₃); **IR** 3400, 2951, 1702 (C=O), 1565, 758, 703 cm⁻¹; **HRMS** (ESI) m/z : 416.2191 [M+Na]⁺, C₂₅H₃₁NNaO₃⁺ requires 416.2196.

(*S*)-2-((3,5-Di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)(phenyl)methyl)-3-ethylisoxazol-5(2*H*)-one (**3ba**).

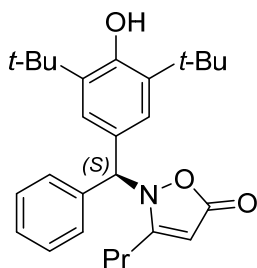


From 11.3 mg of **1b** and 44.2 mg of **2a**, were obtained 20.8 mg (51%) of **3ba**. Enantiomeric excess (81%) was determined using chiral HPLC (Chiralcel OD-H), hexane/*i*-PrOH 90:10, 1 mL/min. Minor enantiomer $t_r = 8.2$ min, major enantiomer $t_r = 11.9$ min

Yellow solid; **m.p.** = 154.8-157.1 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = + 10.3$ ($c = 0.72$, CHCl₃, 81% ee); **¹H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃), δ 7.36-7.28 (5H, m, Ar), 7.01 (2H, s, Ar), 6.04 (1H, s, CH-N), 5.26 (1H, s, OH), 5.04 (1H, s, CH-COO), 2.53 (2H, q, $J = 7.5$ Hz, CH₂), 1.38 (18H, s, *t*-Bu), 1.25 (3H, t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, CH₃); **¹³C NMR** (75 MHz, CDCl₃), δ 171.0 (C, C=O), 169.3 (C, C=C-N), 153.7 (C, Ar), 137.1 (C, Ar), 135.9 (C, Ar), 128.5

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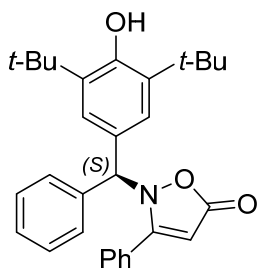
(S)-2-((3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)(phenyl)methyl)-3-propylisoxazol-5(2H)-one (3ca).



From 12.7 mg of **1c** and 44.2 mg of **2a**, were obtained 24.9 mg (59%) of **3ca**. Enantiomeric excess (81%) was determined using chiral HPLC (Chiralcel OD-H), hexane/*i*-PrOH 90:10, 1 mL/min. Minor enantiomer *t_r* = 7.9 min, major enantiomer *t_r* = 9.8 min

Yellow solid; **m.p.** = 117.5-121.8 °C; [α]_D²⁵ = + 19.4 (*c* = 0.91, CHCl₃, 81% ee); **¹H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃), δ 7.36-7.27 (5H, m, Ar), 7.01 (2H, s, Ar), 6.06 (1H, s, *CH*-N), 5.27 (1H, s, OH), 5.03 (1H, s, *CH*-COO), 2.50 (2H, t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, CH₂) 1.69 (2H, sextuplet, *J* = 7.5 Hz, CH₂), 1.38 (18H, s, *t*-Bu), 1.00 (3H, t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, CH₃); **¹³C NMR** (75 MHz, CDCl₃), δ 171.1 (C, C=O), 167.9 (C, C=C-N), 153.7 (C, Ar), 137.1 (C, Ar), 135.9 (C, Ar), 128.5 (CH, Ar), 128.2 (CH, Ar), 128.1 (CH, Ar), 127.0 (C, Ar), 125.0 (CH, Ar), 89.6 (CH, C=C-C=O), 68.1 (CH, C-N), 34.3 (C, *t*-Bu), 30.2 (CH₃, *t*-Bu), 28.8 (CH₂), 20.7 (CH₂), 13.7 (CH₃); **IR** ν 3367, 2950, 1699 (C=O), 1435, 1118, 885, 763, 705 cm⁻¹; **HRMS** (ESI) *m/z*: 444.2497 [M+Na]⁺, C₂₇H₃₅NNaO₃⁺ requires 444.2509.

(S)-2-((3,5-Di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)(phenyl)methyl)-3-phenylisoxazol-5(2H)-one (3da).

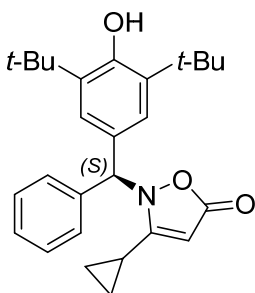


From 16.2 mg of **1d** 44.2 mg of **2a**, were obtained 34.6 mg (77%) of **3da**. Enantiomeric excess (65%) was determined using chiral HPLC (Chiralpak IC), hexane/*i*-PrOH 90:10, 1 mL/min. Minor enantiomer *t_r* = 26.8 min, major enantiomer *t_r* = 21.1 min

Yellow solid; **m.p.** = 160.9-165.5 °C; [α]_D²⁵ = + 19.8 (*c* = 1.10, CHCl₃, 77% ee) **¹H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃), δ 7.59-7.46 (5H, m, Ar), 7.33-7.32 (5H, m, Ar), 6.85 (2H, s, Ar), 6.00 (1H, s, *CH*-N), 5.38 (1H, s, OH), 5.25 (1H, s, *CH*-COO), 1.35 (18H, s, *t*-Bu); **¹³C NMR** (75 MHz, CDCl₃), δ 171.1 (C, C=O), 169.5 (C, C=C-N), 153.7 (C, Ar), 136.9 (C, Ar), 135.5 (CH, Ar), 131.5 (C, Ar), 129.4 (C, Ar), 128.4 (CH,

Ar), 128.3 (C, Ar), 128.2 (CH, Ar), 127.9 (CH, Ar), 127.8 (CH, Ar), 126.1 (CH, Ar), 125.6 (CH, Ar) 93.9 (CH, C=C-C=O), 70.9 (CH, C-N), 34.3 (C, *t*-Bu), 30.2 (CH₃, *t*-Bu); **IR** ν 2959, 1718 (C=O), 1435, 1099, 763, 735, 691 cm⁻¹; **HRMS** (ESI) *m/z*: 456.2527 [M+H]⁺, C₃₀H₃₄NO₃⁺ requires 456.2533.

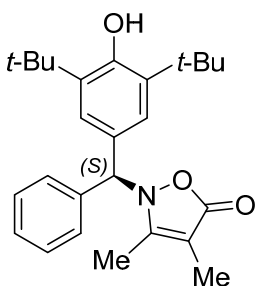
(S)-3-Cyclopropyl-2-((3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)(phenyl)methyl)isoxazol-5(2H)-one (3ea).



From 12.5 mg of **1e** and 44.2 mg of **2a**, were obtained 32.7 mg (78%) of **3ea**. Enantiomeric excess (89%) was determined using chiral HPLC (Chiralpak AD-H), hexane/*i*-PrOH 85:15, 1 mL/min. Minor enantiomer *t_r* = 6.7 min, major enantiomer *t_r* = 8.4 min.

Yellow solid; **m.p.** = 146.1-147.5 °C; [α]_D²⁵ = + 9.2 (*c* = 1.09, CHCl₃, 89% ee); **¹H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃) 7.37-7.31 (5H, m, Ar), 7.07 (2H, Ar), 6.28 (1H, s, *CH*-N), 5.26 (1H, s, OH), 4.68 (1H, d, *J* = 0.6 Hz, *CH*COO), 1.74-1.65 (1H, m, *c*-Pr), 1.38 (18H, s, *t*-Bu), 1.14-1.09 (2H, m, *c*-Pr), 0.79-0.71 (2H, m, *c*-Pr); **¹³C NMR** (75 MHz, CDCl₃), δ 171.3 (C, C=O), 171.1 (C, C=C-N), 153.7 (C, Ar), 137.2 (C, Ar), 135.7 (C, Ar), 128.4 (CH, Ar), 128.3 (CH, Ar), 128.0 (CH, Ar), 126.9 (C, Ar), 125.4 (CH, Ar), 85.7 (CH, C=C-C=O), 68.7 (CH, C-N), 34.3 (C, *t*-Bu), 30.2 (CH₃, *t*-Bu), 9.5 (CH₂, *c*-Pr), 9.2 (CH₂, *c*-Pr), 7.9 (CH, *c*-Pr); **IR** ν 3419, 2952, 1697 (C=O), 1552, 1433, 1138, 1118, 916, 760 cm⁻¹; **HRMS** (ESI) *m/z*: 442.2359 [M+Na]⁺, C₂₇H₃₃NNaO₃⁺ requires 442.2353.

(S)-2-((3,5-Di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)(phenyl)methyl)-3,4-dimethylisoxazol-5(2H)-one (3fa).

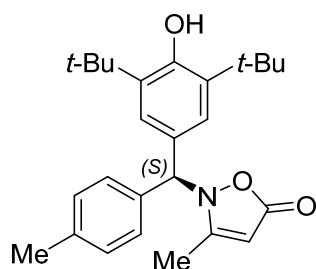


From 11.3 mg of **1f** and 44.2 mg of **2a**, were obtained 25.3 mg (62%) of **3fa**. Enantiomeric excess (47%) was determined using chiral HPLC (Chiralpak AY-H), hexane/*i*-PrOH 90:10, 1 mL/min. Minor enantiomer *t_r* = 9.9 min, major enantiomer *t_r* = 12.9 min.

Yellow solid; **m.p.** = 142.6-143.9 °C; [α]_D²⁵ = + 4.2 (*c* = 1.27, CHCl₃, 47% ee); **¹H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃) 7.32-7.30 (5H, m, Ar), 7.04 (2H, s, Ar), 5.95 (1H, s, *CH*-N), 5.25 (1H, s, OH), 2.14 (3H, s, CH₃), 1.71 (3H, s, CH₃), 1.38 (18H, s, *t*-Bu); **¹³C NMR** (75 MHz, CDCl₃), δ 171.9 (C, C=O), 160.3 (C, C=C-N), 153.7 (C, Ar), 137.0 (C, Ar), 135.8 (C, Ar), 128.4 (CH, Ar), 128.3 (CH, Ar), 128.2 (CH, Ar), 127.0 (C,

Ar), 125.1 (CH, Ar), 113.6 (CH, Ar), 100.7 (CH, C=C-C=O), 68.8 (CH, C-N), 34.3 (C, *t*-Bu), 30.2 (CH₃, *t*-Bu), 11.7 (CH₃), 6.74 (CH₃); **IR** ν 3559, 2955, 1701 (C=O), 1623, 1433, 1114, 1030, 747, 702 cm⁻¹; **HRMS** (ESI) *m/z*: 430.2357 [M+Na]⁺, C₂₆H₃₃NNaO₃⁺ requires 430.2353.

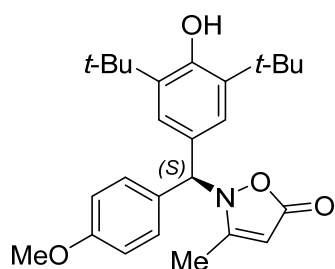
(S)-2-((3,5-Di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)(*p*-tolyl)methyl)-3-methylisoxazol-5(2H)-one (3ab).



From 9.9 mg of **1a** and 46.2 mg of **2b**, were obtained 9.3 mg (23%) of **3ab**. Enantiomeric excess (72%) was determined using chiral HPLC (Chiralcel OD-H), hexane/*i*-PrOH 90:10, 1 mL/min. Minor enantiomer *t_r* = 10.2 min, major enantiomer *t_r* = 15.2 min.

Yellow solid; **m.p.** = 52.3-53.5 °C; [α]_D²⁵ = + 1.2 (*c* = 0.72, CHCl₃, 72% ee); **¹H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃), δ 7.15 (4H, m, Ar), 7.03 (2H, s, Ar), 6.00 (1H, s, CH-N), 5.26 (1H, s, OH), 5.01 (1H, q, *J* = 0.9 Hz, CHCOO), 2.35 (3H, s, CH₃), 2.19 (3H, d, *J* = 0.9 Hz, CH₃), 1.38 (18H, s, *t*-Bu); **¹³C NMR** (75 MHz, CDCl₃), δ 170.9 (C, C=O), 163.6 (C, C=C-N), 153.7 (C, Ar), 137.9 (C, Ar), 135.9 (C, Ar), 133.9 (C, Ar), 129.2 (CH, Ar), 128.2 (CH, Ar), 127.1 (C, Ar), 124.9 (CH, Ar), 90.9 (CH, C=C-C=O), 68.1 (CH, C-N), 34.3 (C, *t*-Bu), 30.2 (CH₃, *t*-Bu), 21.1 (CH₃), 12.9 (CH₃); **IR** ν 3322, 2953, 1695 (C=O), 1574, 1433, 1120, 926, 780 cm⁻¹; **HRMS** (ESI) *m/z*: 430.2354 [M+Na]⁺, C₂₆H₃₃NNaO₃⁺ requires 430.2538.

(S)-2-((3,5-Di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)(4-methoxyphenyl)methyl)-3-methylisoxazol-5(2H)-one (3ac).

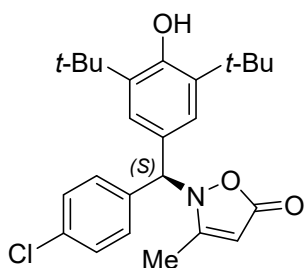


From 9.9 mg of **1a** and 48.7 mg of **2c**, were obtained 28.0 mg (66%) of **3ac**. Enantiomeric excess (62%) was determined using chiral HPLC (Chiralpak AY-H), hexane/*i*-PrOH 90:10, 1 mL/min. Minor enantiomer *t_r* = 19.9 min, major enantiomer *t_r* = 25.3 min.

Yellow solid; **m.p.** = 138.9-146.1 °C; [α]_D²⁵ = + 1.1 (*c* = 0.93, CHCl₃, 62% ee); **¹H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃), δ 7.22-7.18 (2H, m, Ar), 7.03 (2H, s, Ar), 6.88-6.85 (2H, m, Ar), 6.00 (1H, s, CH-N), 5.25 (1H, s, OH), 5.01 (1H, q, *J* = 0.9 Hz, CH-COO), 3.81 (3H, s, MeO), 2.20 (3H, d, *J* = 0.9 Hz, CH₃), 1.39 (18H, s, *t*-Bu); **¹³C NMR** (75 MHz, CDCl₃), δ 170.9 (C, C=O), 163.6 (C, C=C-N), 159.4 (C, Ar), 153.6 (C, Ar), 135.9 (C, Ar), 129.6 (CH,

Ar), 128.9 (C, Ar), 127.3 (C, Ar), 124.8 (CH, Ar), 113.9 (CH, Ar), 91.1 (CH, C=C-C=O), 67.9 (CH, C-N), 55.3 (CH₃, OMe), 34.3 (C, *t*-Bu), 30.2 (CH₃, *t*-Bu), 12.9 (CH₃); **IR** ν 3625, 2956, 1716 (C=O), 1511, 1434, 1237, 1176, 752 cm⁻¹; **HRMS** (ESI) m/z : 446.2297 [M+Na]⁺, C₂₆H₃₃NNaO₄⁺ requires 446.2302.

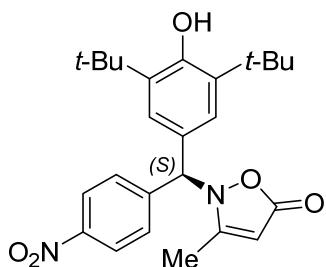
(S)-2-((4-Chlorophenyl)(3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)methyl)-3-methylisoxazol-5(2H)-one (3ad).



From 9.9 mg of **1a** and 49.5 mg of **2d**, were obtained 26.5 mg (62%) of **3ad**. Enantiomeric excess (88%) was determined using chiral HPLC (Chiralpak AY-H), hexane/*i*-PrOH 90:10, 1 mL/min. Minor enantiomer t_r = 12.5 min, major enantiomer t_r = 13.5 min

Yellow solid; **m.p.** = 154.8-157.1 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ = + 11.2 (c = 0.88, CHCl₃, 88% ee); **¹H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃), δ 7.35-7.31 (2H, m, Ar), 7.26-7.21 (2H, m, Ar), 7.00 (2H, s, Ar), 5.99 (1H, s, *CH*-N), 5.30 (1H, s, OH), 5.04 (1H, q, J = 0.9 Hz, *CH*-COO), 2.21 (3H, d, J = 0.9 Hz, CH₃), 1.39 (18H, s, *t*-Bu); **¹³C NMR** (75 MHz, CDCl₃), δ 170.7 (C, C=O), 163.9 (C, C=C-N), 153.9 (C, Ar), 136.1 (C, Ar), 135.6 (C, Ar), 134.1 (C, Ar), 129.6 (CH, Ar), 128.7 (CH, Ar), 126.4 (C, Ar), 124.9 (CH, Ar), 91.7 (CH, C=C-C=O), 67.7 (CH, C-N), 34.3 (C, *t*-Bu), 30.2 (CH₃, *t*-Bu), 12.9 (CH₃); **IR** ν 3411, 2967, 1721 (C=O), 1489, 1435, 1235, 1136, 859, 762 cm⁻¹; **HRMS** (ESI) m/z : 450.1795 [M+Na]⁺, C₂₅H₃₀ClNNaO₃⁺ requires 450.1806.

(S)-2-((3,5-Di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)(4-nitrophenyl)methyl)-3-methylisoxazol-5(2H)-one (3ae).

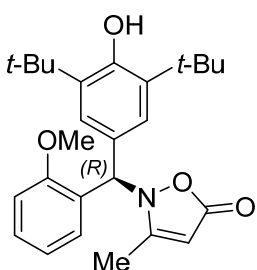


From 9.9 mg of **1a** and 51.0 mg of **2e**, were obtained 32.5 mg (74%) of **3ae**. Enantiomeric excess (84%) was determined using chiral HPLC (Chiralcel OD-H), hexane/*i*-PrOH 90:10, 1 mL/min. Minor enantiomer t_r = 25.1 min, major enantiomer t_r = 38.2 min

Orange solid; **m.p.** = 158.6-159.8 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ = + 7.7 (c = 1.08, CHCl₃, 84% ee); **¹H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃), δ 8.23-8.18 (2H, m, Ar), 7.51-7.48 (2H, m, Ar), 7.00 (2H, s, Ar), 6.05 (1H, s, *CH*-N), 5.35 (1H, s, OH), 5.09 (1H, q, J = 0.6 Hz, *CH*-COO), 2.24 (3H, d, J = 0.6 Hz, CH₃), 1.39 (18H, s, *t*-Bu); **¹³C NMR** (75 MHz, CDCl₃), δ 170.4 (C, C=O), 164.5 (C,

C=C-N), 154.3 (C, Ar), 147.6 (C, Ar), 144.7 (C, Ar), 136.4 (C, Ar), 129.1 (CH, Ar), 125.4 (C, Ar), 125.2 (CH, Ar), 123.6 (CH, Ar), 92.9 (CH, C=C-C=O), 67.8 (CH, C-N), 34.4 (C, *t*-Bu), 30.1 (CH₃, *t*-Bu), 13.0 (CH₃); **IR** ν 3317, 2953, 1704 (C=O), 1518, 1342, 1199, 919, 764, 704 cm⁻¹; **HRMS** (ESI) *m/z*: 461.2037 [M+Na]⁺, C₂₅H₃₀N₂NaO₅⁺ requires 461.2047.

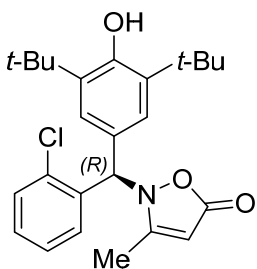
(*R*)-2-((3,5-Di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)(2-methoxyphenyl)methyl)-3-methylisoxazol-5(2*H*)-one (3af).



From 9.9 mg of **1a** and 48.7 mg of **2f**, were obtained 18.2 mg (43%) of **3af**. Enantiomeric excess (48%) was determined using chiral HPLC (Chiralpak AY-H), hexane/*i*-PrOH 90:10, 1 mL/min. Minor enantiomer *t_r* = 16.5 min, major enantiomer *t_r* = 19.7 min.

Yellow oil; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = +12.1$ (*c* = 1.12, CHCl₃, 48% ee); **¹H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃), δ 7.28-7.20 (4H, m, Ar), 6.99 (2H, d, Ar), 6.58 (1H, s, *CH*-N), 5.22 (1H, s, OH), 4.90 (1H, q, *J* = 0.9 Hz, *CH*COO), 3.80 (3H, s, OMe), 2.20 (3H, d, *J* = 0.9 Hz, CH₃), 1.35 (18H, s, *t*-Bu); **¹³C NMR** (75 MHz, CDCl₃), δ 170.9 (C, C=O), 167.8 (C, C=C-N), 156.4 (C, Ar), 135.8 (C, Ar), 130.5 (C, Ar), 129.6 (CH, Ar), 127.6 (CH, Ar), 124.5 (CH, Ar), 120.9 (CH, Ar), 110.4 (CH, Ar), 88.4 (CH, C=C-C=O), 60.2 (CH, C-N), 55.5 (CH₃, MeO), 34.3 (C, *t*-Bu), 30.2 (CH₃, *t*-Bu), 12.5 (CH₃); **IR** ν 3630, 2955, 1718 (C=O), 1599, 1433, 1239, 1105, 753 cm⁻¹; **HRMS** (ESI) *m/z*: 446.2297 [M+Na]⁺, C₂₆H₃₃NNaO₄⁺ requires 446.2302.

(*R*)-2-((2-Chlorophenyl)(3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)methyl)-3-methylisoxazol-5(2*H*)-one (3ag).

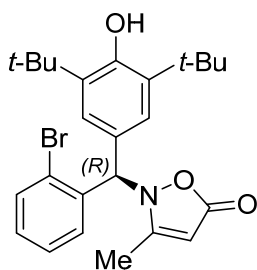


From 9.9 mg of **1a** and 49.5 mg of **2g**, were obtained 20.2 mg (47%) of **3ag**. Enantiomeric excess (89%) was determined using chiral HPLC (Chiralpak IC), hexane/*i*-PrOH 90:10, 1 mL/min. Minor enantiomer *t_r* = 53.7 min, major enantiomer *t_r* = 60.5 min.

Yellow solid; **m.p.** = 123.5-129.2 °C; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = +25.2$ (*c* = 1.01, CHCl₃, 89%); **¹H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.46-7.40 (2H, m, Ar), 7.33-7.35 (2H, m, Ar), 6.94 (2H, s, Ar), 6.56 (1H, s, *CH*-N), 5.26 (1H, s, OH), 5.01 (1H, q, *J* = 0.9 Hz, *CH*COO), 2.24 (3H, d, *J* = 0.9 Hz, CH₃), 1.38 (18H, s, *t*-Bu); **¹³C NMR** (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.7 (C, C=O), 167.8 (C, C=C-N), 153.7 (C, Ar), 136.1 (C, Ar), 134.8 (C, Ar), 133.3

(C, Ar), 130.8 (CH, Ar), 129.7 (CH, Ar), 127.3 (CH, Ar), 126.3 (C, Ar), 124.4 (CH, Ar), 89.3 (CH, C=C-C=O), 63.6 (CH, C-N), 34.3 (C, *t*-Bu), 30.1 (CH₃, *t*-Bu), 12.6 (CH₃); **IR** ν 2955, 1725 (C=O), 1559, 1433, 1115, 885, 754 cm⁻¹; **HRMS** (ESI) *m/z*: 450.1802 [M+Na]⁺, C₂₅H₃₀NNaO₃⁺ requires 450.1806.

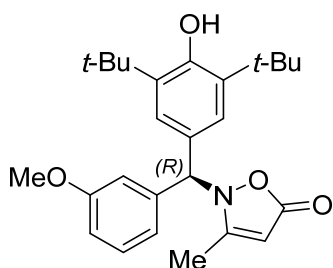
(*R*)-2-((2-Bromophenyl)(3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)methyl)-3-methylisoxazol-5(2*H*)-one (3ah).



From 9.9 mg of **1a** and 55.9 mg of **2h**, were obtained 20.2 mg (43%) of **3ah**. Enantiomeric excess (90%) was determined using chiral HPLC (Chiralpak AY-H), hexane/*i*-PrOH 90:10, 1 mL/min. Minor enantiomer *t_r* = 19.2 min, major enantiomer *t_r* = 20.9 min.

Yellow solid; **m.p.** = 132.1-133.4 °C; [α]_D²⁵ = +7.5 (*c* = 1.01, CHCl₃, 90% ee); **¹H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.61 (1H, dd, *J*₁ = 7.9, *J*₂ = 1.3 Hz, Ar), 7.44 (1H, dd, *J*₁ = 7.8, *J*₂ = 1.8 Hz, Ar), 7.32 (1H, td, *J*₁ = 7.6, *J*₂ = 1.4 Hz, Ar), 7.23-7.18 (2H, m, Ar), 6.92 (2H, s, Ar), 6.53 (1H, s, CH-N), 5.26 (1H, s, OH), 5.02 (1H, q, *J* = 0.8 Hz, CHCOO), 2.25 (3H, d, *J* = 0.8 Hz, CH₃), 1.38 (18H, s, *t*-Bu); **¹³C NMR** (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.7 (C, C=O), 162.7 (C, C=C-N), 153.7 (C, Ar), 136.5 (C, Ar), 136.1 (C, Ar), 132.9 (CH, Ar), 130.9 (CH, Ar), 129.9 (CH, Ar), 127.9 (CH, Ar), 126.4 (C, Ar), 124.4 (CH, Ar), 123.9 (C, Ar), 89.2 (CH, C=C-C=O), 66.2 (CH, C-N), 34.3 (C, *t*-Bu), 30.2 (CH₃, *t*-Bu), 12.7 (CH₃); **IR** ν 3423, 2957, 1705 (C=O), 1571, 1161, 1120, 911, 751 cm⁻¹, **HRMS** (ESI) *m/z*: 494.1303 [M+Na]⁺, C₂₆H₃₀BrNNaO₃⁺ requires 494.1301.

(*R*)-2-((3,5-Di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)(3-methoxyphenyl)methyl)-3-methylisoxazol-5(2*H*)-one (3ai).

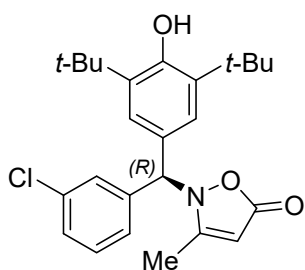


From 9.9 mg of **1a** and 48.7 mg of **2i**, were obtained 8.8 mg (20%) of **3ai**. Enantiomeric excess (25%) was determined using chiral HPLC (Chiralcel OD-H), hexane/*i*-PrOH 90:10, 1 mL/min. Minor enantiomer *t_r* = 14.9 min, major enantiomer *t_r* = 21.0 min.

Yellow oil; [α]_D²⁵ = + 1.7 (*c* = 0.63, CHCl₃, 25% ee); **¹H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃) 7.29-7.24 (1H, m, Ar), 7.04 (2H, s, Ar), 6.88-6.82 (3H, m, Ar), 5.99 (1H, s, CH-N), 5.27 (1H, s, OH), 5.02 (1H, q, *J* = 0.9 Hz, CHCOO), 3.78 (3H, s, MeO), 2.20 (3H, d, *J* = 0.9 Hz, CH₃), 1.38 (18H, s, *t*-Bu), **¹³C NMR** (75 MHz, CDCl₃), δ 170.9 (C, C=O), 163.7 (C,

C=C-N), 159.7 (C, Ar), 153.7 (C, Ar), 138.6 (C, Ar), 135.9 (C, Ar), 129.6 (CH, Ar), 126.6 (C, Ar), 125.1 (CH, Ar), 120.5 (CH, Ar), 113.9 (CH, Ar), 113.6 (CH, Ar), 91.2 (CH, C=C-C=O), 68.2 (CH, C-N), 34.3 (C, *t*-Bu), 30.1 (CH₃, *t*-Bu), 12.9 (CH₃); **IR** ν 3375, 2950, 1690 (C=O), 1431, 1263, 1159, 911, 760 cm⁻¹; **HRMS** (ESI) *m/z*: 446.2297 [M+Na]⁺, C₂₆H₃₃NNaO₄⁺ requires 446.2302.

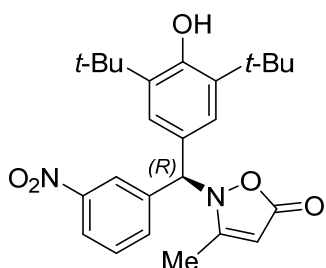
(*R*)-2-((3-Chlorophenyl)(3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)methyl)-3-methylisoxazol-5(2*H*)-one (3aj).



From 9.9 mg of **1a** and 49.5 mg of **2j**, were obtained 15.5 mg (36%) of **3aj**. Enantiomeric excess (81%) was determined using chiral HPLC (Chiralpak AY-H), hexane/*i*-PrOH 90:10, 1 mL/min. Minor enantiomer *t_r* = 11.8 min, major enantiomer *t_r* = 13.1 min.

Brown solid; **m.p.** = 145.7-148.8 °C; [α]_D²⁵ = + 10.2 (*c* = 1.10, CHCl₃, 81% ee); **¹H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.33-7.29 (3H, m, Ar), 7.19-7.17 (1H, m, Ar), 6.94 (2H, s, Ar), 5.97 (1H, s, CH-N), 5.30 (1H, s, OH), 5.05 (1H, q, *J* = 0.9 Hz, CHCOO), 2.21 (3H, d, *J* = 0.6 Hz, CH₃), 1.39 (18H, s, *t*-Bu); **¹³C NMR** (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.6 (C, C=O), 163.9 (C, C=C-N), 154.0 (C, Ar), 139.3 (C, Ar), 136.2 (C, Ar), 134.5 (C, Ar), 129.8 (CH, Ar), 128.4 (CH, Ar), 128.3 (CH, Ar), 126.4 (CH, Ar), 126.0 (C, Ar), 125.1 (CH, Ar), 91.8 (CH, C=C-C=O), 67.7 (CH, C-N), 34.3 (C, *t*-Bu), 30.2 (CH₃, *t*-Bu), 12.9 (CH₃); **IR** ν 2955, 1703 (C=O), 1571, 1433, 1121, 882, 769 cm⁻¹; **HRMS** (ESI) *m/z*: 450.1801 [M+Na]⁺, C₂₅H₃₀ClNNaO₃⁺ requires 450.1806.

(*R*)-2-((3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)(3-nitrophenyl)methyl)-3-methylisoxazol-5(2*H*)-one (3ak).

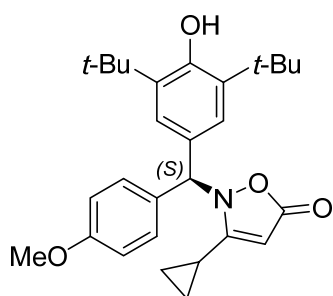


From 9.9 mg of **1a** and 50.8 mg of **2k**, were obtained 24.4 mg (56%) of **3ak**. Enantiomeric excess (77%) was determined using chiral HPLC (Chiralcel OD-H), hexane/*i*-PrOH 90:10, 1 mL/min. Minor enantiomer *t_r* = 27.7 min, major enantiomer *t_r* = 18.7 min.

Brown solid; **m.p.** = 131.3-133.4 °C; [α]_D²⁵ = +8.1 (*c* = 1.22, CHCl₃, 77% ee); **¹H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.21-8.18 (2H, m, Ar), 7.68 (1H, d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, Ar), 7.55 (1H, m, Ar), 7.02 (2H, s, Ar), 6.05 (1H, s, CH-N), 5.35 (1H, s, OH), 5.10 (1H, q, *J* = 0.9 Hz,

CHCOO), 2.25 (3H, d, $J=0.9$ Hz, CH₃), 1.39 (18H, s, *t*-Bu); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.4 (C, C=O), 164.6 (C, C=C-N), 154.3 (C, Ar), 148.3 (C, Ar), 139.6 (C, Ar), 136.4 (C, Ar), 134.3 (CH, Ar), 129.5 (CH, Ar), 125.2 (C, Ar), 125.1 (CH, Ar), 123.2 (CH, Ar), 123.1 (CH, Ar), 93.0 (CH, C=C-C=O), 67.7 (CH, C-N), 34.4 (C, *t*-Bu), 30.1 (CH₃, *t*-Bu), 13.6 (CH₃); IR ν 3580, 2957, 1729 (C=O), 1522, 1435, 1341, 909, 738 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) m/z: 461.2044 [M+Na]⁺, C₂₆H₃₃NNaO₄ + requires 461.2047.

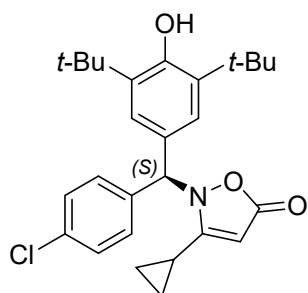
(S)-3-Cyclopropyl-2-((3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)(4-methoxyphenyl)methyl)isoxazol-5(2H)-one (3ec).



From 12.5 mg of **1e** and 48.7 mg of **2c**, were obtained 33.6 mg (75%) of **3ec**. Enantiomeric excess (79%) was determined using chiral HPLC (Chiralpak AD-H), hexane/*i*-PrOH 90:10, 1 mL/min. Minor enantiomer $t_r = 13.4$ min, major enantiomer $t_r = 21.5$ min.

Yellow solid; m.p. = 141.9-144.2 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +0.6$ ($c = 1.12$, CHCl₃, 79% ee); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) 7.28-7.23 (2H, m, Ar), 7.02 (2H, s, Ar), 6.88 (2H, m, Ar) 6.24 (1H, s, CH-N), 5.25 (1H, s, OH), 4.67 (1H, d, $J=0.6$ Hz, CHCOO), 1.74-1.65 (1H, m, *c*-Pr), 1.39 (18H, s, *t*-Bu), 3.81 (3H, s, OMe), 1.14-1.08 (2H, m, *c*-Pr), 0.78-0.72 (2H, m, *c*-Pr); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.3 (C, C=O), 171.1 (C, C=C-N), 159.3 (C,Ar), 153.5 (C, Ar), 135.7 (C, Ar), 129.8 (CH, Ar), 129.2 (C, Ar), 127.3 (CH, Ar), 125.1 (CH, Ar), 113.7 (C, Ar), 85.6 (CH, C=C-C=O), 68.4 (CH, C-N), 55.2 (CH₃, MeO), 34.3 (C, *t*-Bu), 30.2 (CH₃, *t*-Bu), 9.4 (CH₂, *c*-Pr), 9.3 (CH₂, *c*-Pr), 7.9 (CH, *c*-Pr); IR ν 3421, 2954, 1695 (C=O), 1511, 1435, 1235, 1112, 764 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) m/z: 472.2459 [M+Na]⁺, C₂₈H₃₅NNaO₄⁺ requires 472.2458.

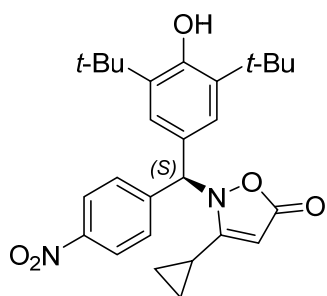
(S)-2-((4-Chlorophenyl)(3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)methyl)-3-cyclopropylisoxazol-5(2H)-one (3ed).



From 12.5 mg of **1e** and 49.3 mg of **2d**, were obtained 35.3 mg (78%) of **3ed**. Enantiomeric excess (88%) was determined using chiral HPLC (Chiralpak AY-H), hexane/*i*-PrOH 90:10, 1 mL/min. Minor enantiomer $t_r = 15.5$ min, major enantiomer $t_r = 17.5$ min.

Yellow solid; **m.p.** = 164.1-165.4 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = + 20.8$ ($c = 1.18$, CHCl_3 , 88% ee); **¹H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl_3) 7.34-7.27 (4H, m, Ar), 7.04 (2H, Ar), 6.23 (1H, s, *CH*-N), 5.29 (1H, s, OH), 4.68 (1H, d, $J = 0.6$ Hz, *CHCOO*), 1.73-1.64 (1H, m, *c*-Pr), 1.39 (18H, s, *t*-Bu), 1.16-1.11 (2H, m, *c*-Pr), 0.84-0.66 (2H, m, *c*-Pr); **¹³C NMR** (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 171.5 (C, C=O), 171.1 (C, C=C-N), 153.8 (C, Ar), 135.9 (C, Ar), 135.8 (C, Ar), 133.9 (C, Ar), 129.8 (CH, Ar), 128.6 (CH, Ar), 126.4 (C, Ar), 125.4 (CH, Ar), 86.4 (CH, C=C-C=O), 68.2 (CH, C-N), 34.3 (C, *t*-Bu), 30.2 (CH_3 , *t*-Bu), 9.7 (CH_2 , *c*-Pr), 9.3 (CH_2 , *c*-Pr), 7.9 (CH, *c*-Pr); **IR** ν 3384, 2957, 1697 (C=O), 1552, 1435, 1105, 877 cm^{-1} ; **HRMS** (ESI) m/z : 476.1965 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$, $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{32}\text{ClNNaO}_3^+$ requires 476.1963.

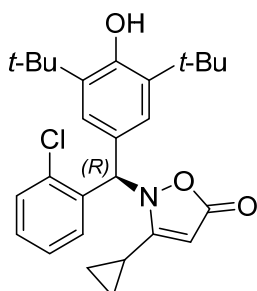
(S)-3-Cyclopropyl-2-((3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)(4-nitrophenyl)methyl)isoxazol-5(2*H*)-one (3ee).



From 12.5 mg of **1e** and 50.9 mg of **2e**, were obtained 37.2 mg (80%) of **3ee**. Enantiomeric excess (86%) was determined using chiral HPLC (Chiralcel OD-H), hexane/*i*-PrOH 90:10, 1 mL/min. Minor enantiomer $t_r = 25.9$ min, major enantiomer $t_r = 22.1$ min.

Yellow solid; **m.p.** = 87.5-89.9 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = + 10.5$ ($c = 1.24$, CHCl_3 , 86% ee); **¹H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl_3) 8.23-8.20 (2H, m, Ar), 7.57-7.55 (2H, m, Ar), 7.04 (2H, s, Ar), 6.29 (1H, s, *CH*-N), 5.33 (1H, s, OH), 4.73 (1H, d, $J = 0.6$ Hz, *CHCOO*), 1.75-1.66 (1H, m, *c*-Pr), 1.39 (18H, s, *t*-Bu), 1.21-1.15 (2H, m, *c*-Pr), 0.87-0.80 (1H, m, *c*-Pr), 0.75-0.68 (1H, m, *c*-Pr); **¹³C NMR** (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 172.1 (C, C=O), 170.8 (C, C=C-N), 154.2 (C, Ar), 147.5 (C, Ar), 147.5 (C, Ar), 144.9 (C, Ar), 136.2 (C, Ar), 129.2 (CH, Ar), 125.6 (CH, Ar), 125.4 (C, Ar), 123.5 (CH, Ar), 87.4 (CH, C=C-C=O), 68.5 (CH, C-N), 34.4 (C, *t*-Bu), 30.2 (CH_3 , *t*-Bu), 10.2 (CH_2 , *c*-Pr), 9.3 (CH_2 , *c*-Pr), 8.0 (CH, *c*-Pr); **IR** ν 3449, 2961, 1701 (C=O), 1517, 1343, 1234, 1108, 702 cm^{-1} ; **HRMS** (ESI) m/z : 487.2201 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$, $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{32}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_5^+$ requires 487.2203.

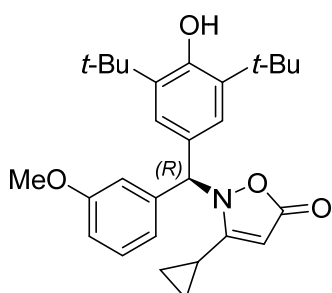
(R)-2-((2-Chlorophenyl)(3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)methyl)-3-cyclopropylisoxazol-5(2H)-one (3eg).



From 12.5 mg of **1e** and 49.3 mg of **2g**, were obtained 34.8 mg (76%) of **3eg**. Enantiomeric excess (92%) was determined using chiral HPLC (Chiralpak AY-H), hexane/*i*-PrOH 90:10, 1 mL/min. Minor enantiomer t_r = 12.6 min, major enantiomer t_r = 14.1 min.

Yellow solid; **m.p.** = 124.4-125.2 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ = -5.6 (c = 1.16, CHCl₃, 92% ee); **¹H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃) 7.55-7.49 (1H, m, Ar), 7.42-7.36 (1H, m, Ar), 7.28-7.23 (2H, m, Ar), 7.03 (2H, s, Ar), 6.77 (1H, s, CH-N), 5.22 (1H, s, OH), 4.67 (1H, d, J = 0.6 Hz, CHCOO), 1.74-1.66 (1H, m, *c*-Pr), 1.34 (18H, s, *t*-Bu), 1.11-1.02 (2H, m, *c*-Pr), 0.75-0.62 (2H, m, *c*-Pr); **¹³C NMR** (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.1 (C, C=O), 170.1 (C, C=C-N), 153.7 (C, Ar), 135.9 (C, Ar), 135.1 (C, Ar), 133.3 (C, Ar), 130.5 (CH, Ar), 129.6 (CH, Ar), 129.5 (CH, Ar), 127.2 (CH, Ar), 126.2 (C, Ar), 124.7 (C, Ar), 84.5 (CH, C=C-C=O), 64.2 (CH, C-N), 34.3 (C, *t*-Bu), 30.2 (CH₃, *t*-Bu), 9.1 (CH₂, *c*-Pr), 8.8 (CH₂, *c*-Pr), 7.6 (CH, *c*-Pr); **IR** ν 3632, 2955, 1733 (C=O), 1582, 1431, 1235, 1161, 911, 752 cm⁻¹; **HRMS** (ESI) m/z : 476.1965 [M+Na]⁺, C₂₇H₃₂ClNNaO₃⁺ requires 476.1963.

(R)-3-cyclopropyl-2-((3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)(3-methoxyphenyl)methyl)isoxazol-5(2H)-one (3ei).

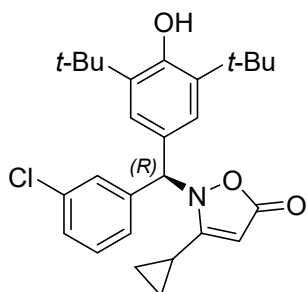


From 12.5 mg of **1e** and 48.7 mg of **2i**, were obtained 36.7 mg (82%) of **3ei**. Enantiomeric excess (82%) was determined using chiral HPLC (Chiralpak AY-H), hexane/*i*-PrOH 90:10, 1 mL/min. Minor enantiomer t_r = 19.8 min, major enantiomer t_r = 28.5 min.

White solid; **m.p.** = 56.1-57.1 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ = + 5.8 (c = 1.22, CHCl₃, 82% ee); **¹H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃) 7.30-7.23 (1H, m, Ar), 7.08 (2H, s, Ar), 6.93-6.84 (3H, m, Ar), 6.24 (1H, s, CH-N), 5.27 (1H, s, OH), 4.68 (1H, d, J = 0.6 Hz, CHCOO), 3.78 (3H, s, MeO), 1.73-1.64 (1H, m, *c*-Pr), 1.39 (18H, s, *t*-Bu), 1.14-1.08 (2H, m, *c*-Pr), 0.84-0.70 (2H, m, *c*-Pr); **¹³C NMR** (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.2 (C, C=O), 171.1 (C, C=C-N), 159.6 (C, Ar), 153.7 (C, Ar), 138.8 (C, Ar), 135.8 (C, Ar), 129.4 (CH, Ar), 126.7 (C, Ar), 125.4 (CH, Ar), 120.7 (CH, Ar), 114.1 (CH, Ar), 113.4 (CH, Ar), 85.8 (CH, C=C-C=O), 68.7 (CH, C-N), 34.3 (C, *t*-Bu), 30.2 (CH₃, *t*-Bu), 9.5 (CH₂, *c*-Pr), 9.2 (CH₂, *c*-Pr), 7.9 (CH, *c*-Pr);

IR ν 3630, 2955, 1716 (C=O), 1578, 1433, 1049, 784, 771 cm^{-1} ; **HRMS** (ESI) m/z : 472.2459 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$, $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{35}\text{NNaO}_4^+$ requires 472.2458.

(R)-2-((3-Chlorophenyl)(3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)methyl)-3-cyclopropylisoxazol-5(2H)-one (3ej).



From 12.5 mg of **1e** and 49.3 mg of **2j**, were obtained 35.3 mg (78%) of **3ej**. Enantiomeric excess (88%) was determined using chiral HPLC (Chiralpak AD-H), hexane/*i*-PrOH 90:10, 1 mL/min. Minor enantiomer t_r = 11.3 min, major enantiomer t_r = 13.3 min.

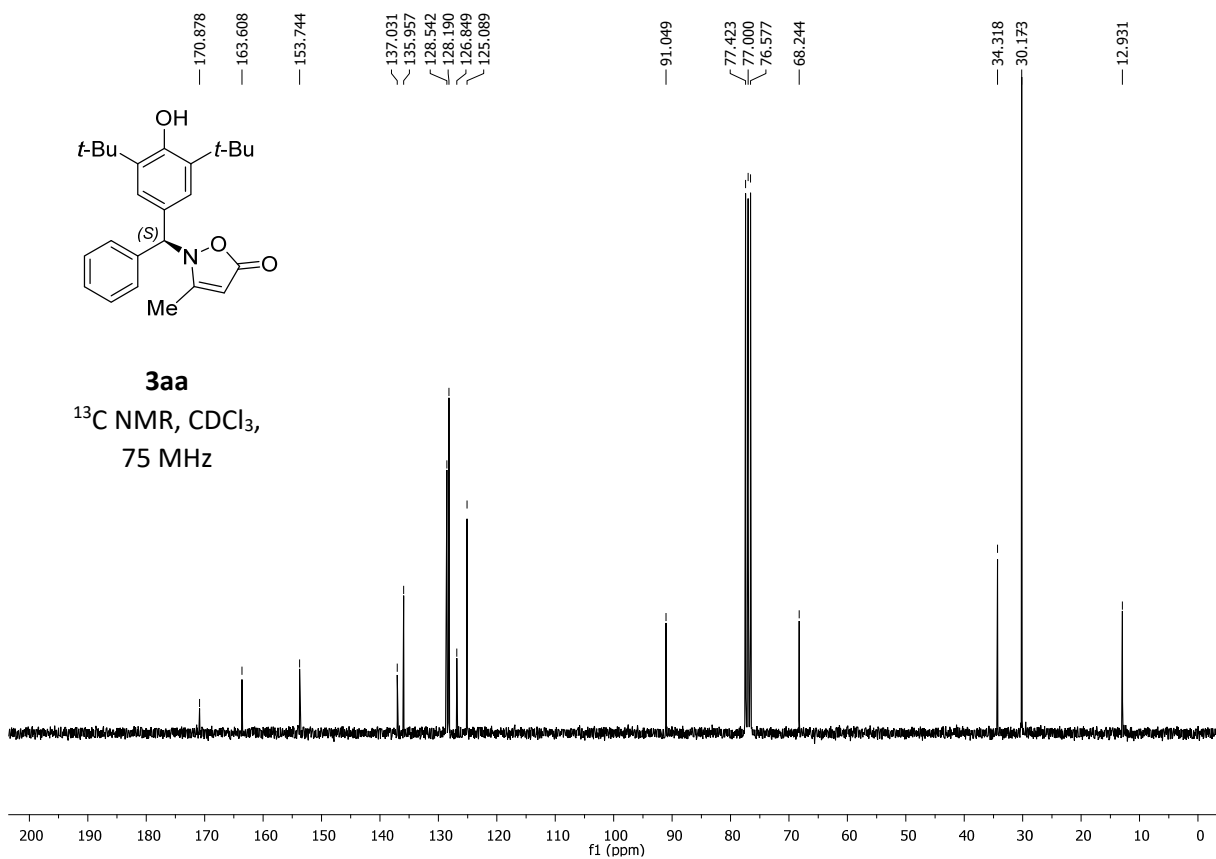
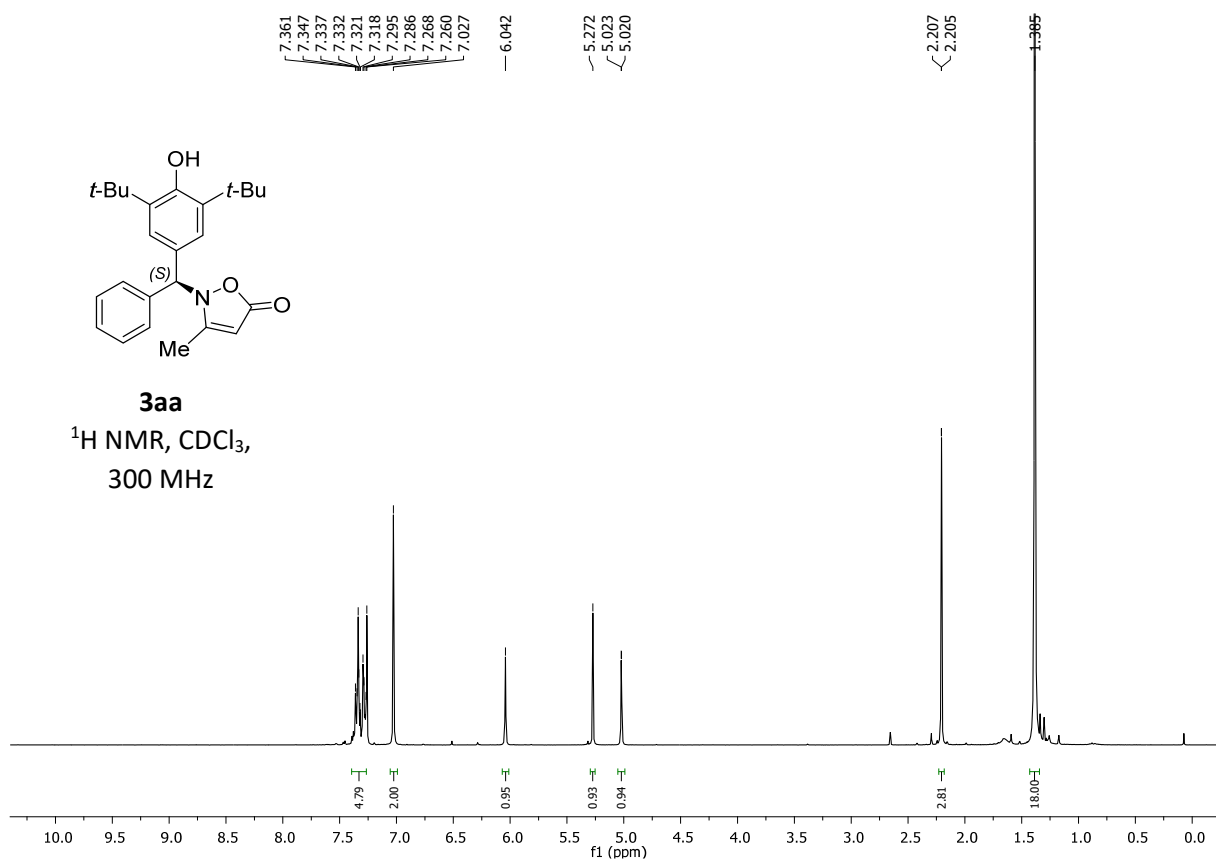
White solid; **m.p.** = 57.1-58.8 $^{\circ}\text{C}$; $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ = + 22.4 (c = 1.18, CHCl_3 , 88% ee); **$^1\text{H NMR}$** (300 MHz, CDCl_3) 7.26-7.36 (1H, m, Ar), 7.30-7.24 (3H, m, Ar), 7.05 (2H, s, Ar), 6.22 (1H, s, *CH*-N), 5.30 (1H, s, OH), 4.69 (1H, d, J = 0.6 Hz, *CHCOO*), 1.74-1.64 (1H, m, *c*-Pr), 1.39 (18H, s, *t*-Bu), 1.19-1.10 (2H, m, *c*-Pr), 0.84-0.77 (1H, m, *c*-Pr), 0.74-0.68 (1H, m, *c*-Pr); **$^{13}\text{C NMR}$** (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 171.5 (C, C=O), 171.1 (C, C=C-N), 153.9 (C, Ar), 139.5 (C, Ar), 135.9 (C, Ar), 134.3 (C, Ar), 129.6 (CH, Ar), 128.4 (CH, Ar), 128.2 (CH, Ar), 126.5 (CH, Ar), 126.0 (C, Ar), 125.5 (CH, Ar), 86.5 (CH, C=C-C=O), 68.3 (CH, C-N), 34.3 (C, *t*-Bu), 30.2 (CH_3 , *t*-Bu), 9.9 (CH_2 , *c*-Pr), 9.2 (CH_2 , *c*-Pr), 7.9 (CH, *c*-Pr); **IR** ν 3449, 2950, 1720 (C=O), 1597, 1414, 1116, 930, 777 cm^{-1} ; **HRMS** (ESI) m/z : 476.1965 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$, $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{32}\text{ClNNaO}_3^+$ requires 476.1963.

Synthesis of compound 3ea at 1 mmol scale.

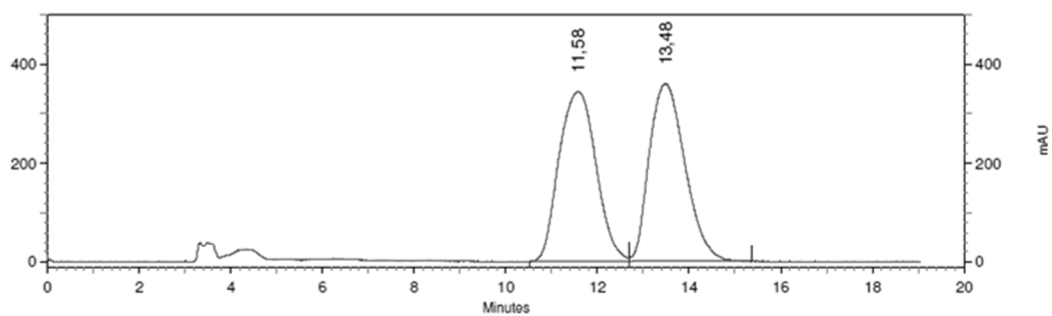
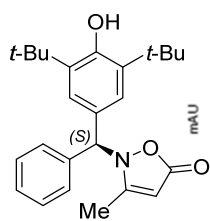
In a round bottom flask charged with the *para*-quinone methide **2a** (441.7 mg, 1.5 mmol) and the isoxazolin-5-one **1e** (125.1 mg, 1 mmol) is added 3 Å MS (320 mg) and the thiourea **V** (37 mg, 10 mol %). Then 1,2-dichloroethane (10 mL) is added and the mixture is allowed to stir at rt for 24 hours. Then, the reaction is purified by flash column chromatography obtaining 297.9 mg (71%) of **3ea** (86% ee).

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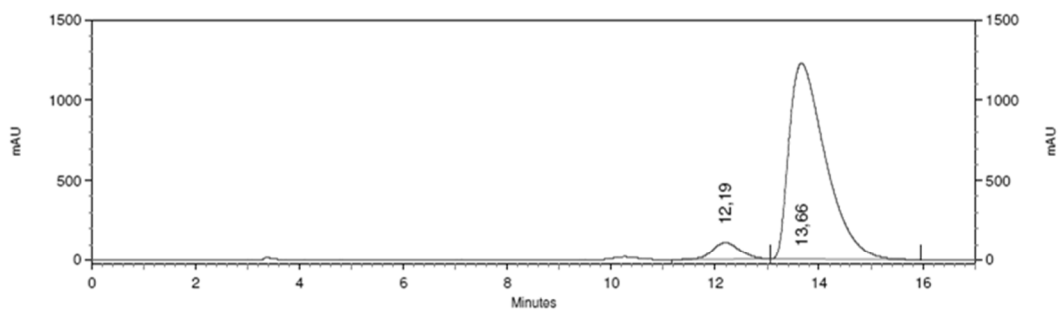


Compound 3aa



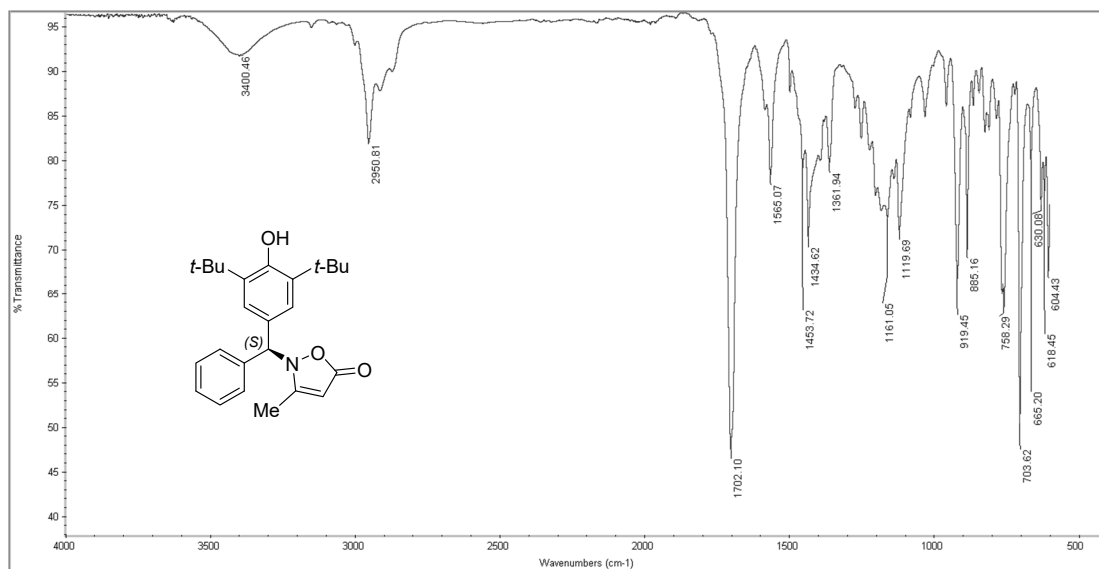
3: 270 nm, 4 nm Results

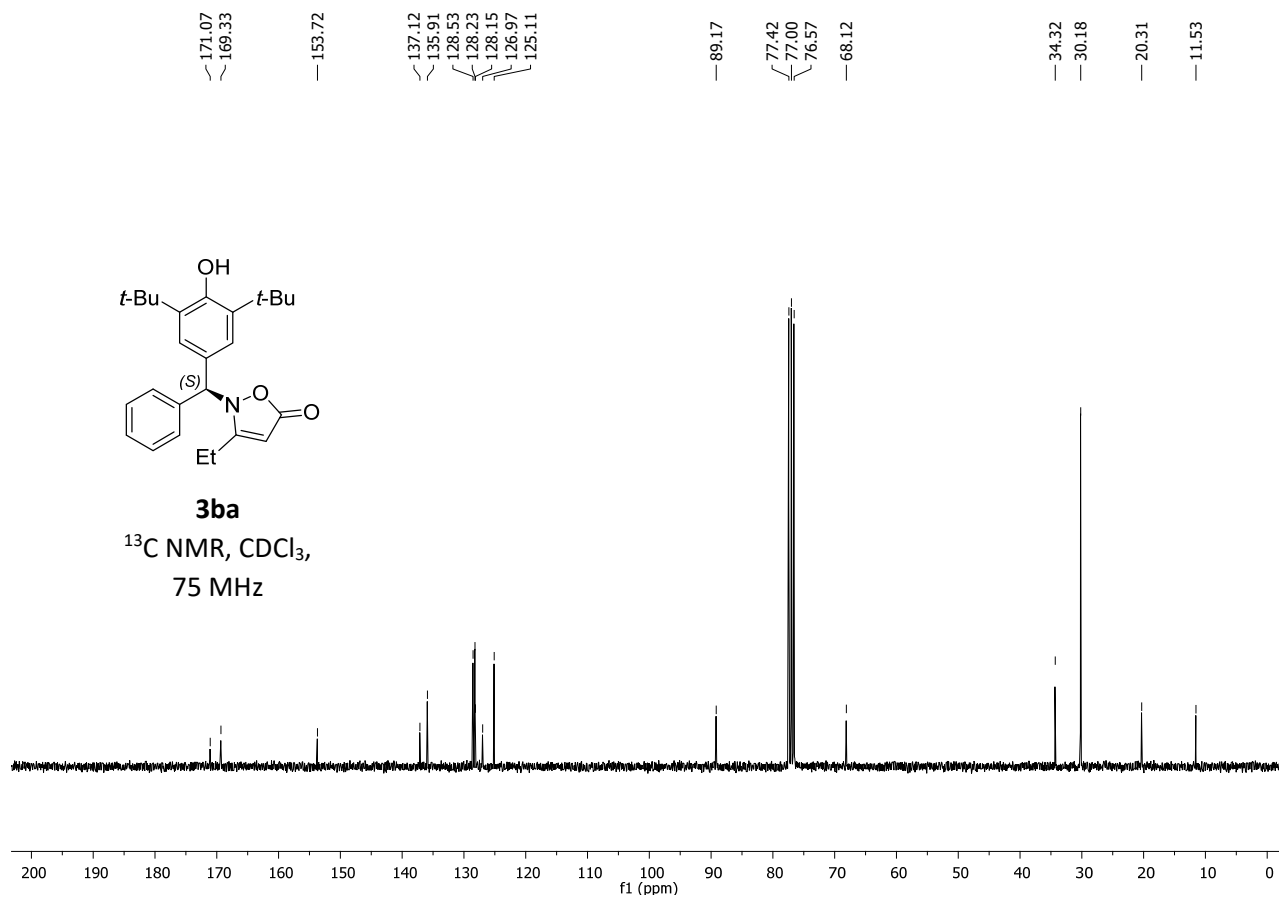
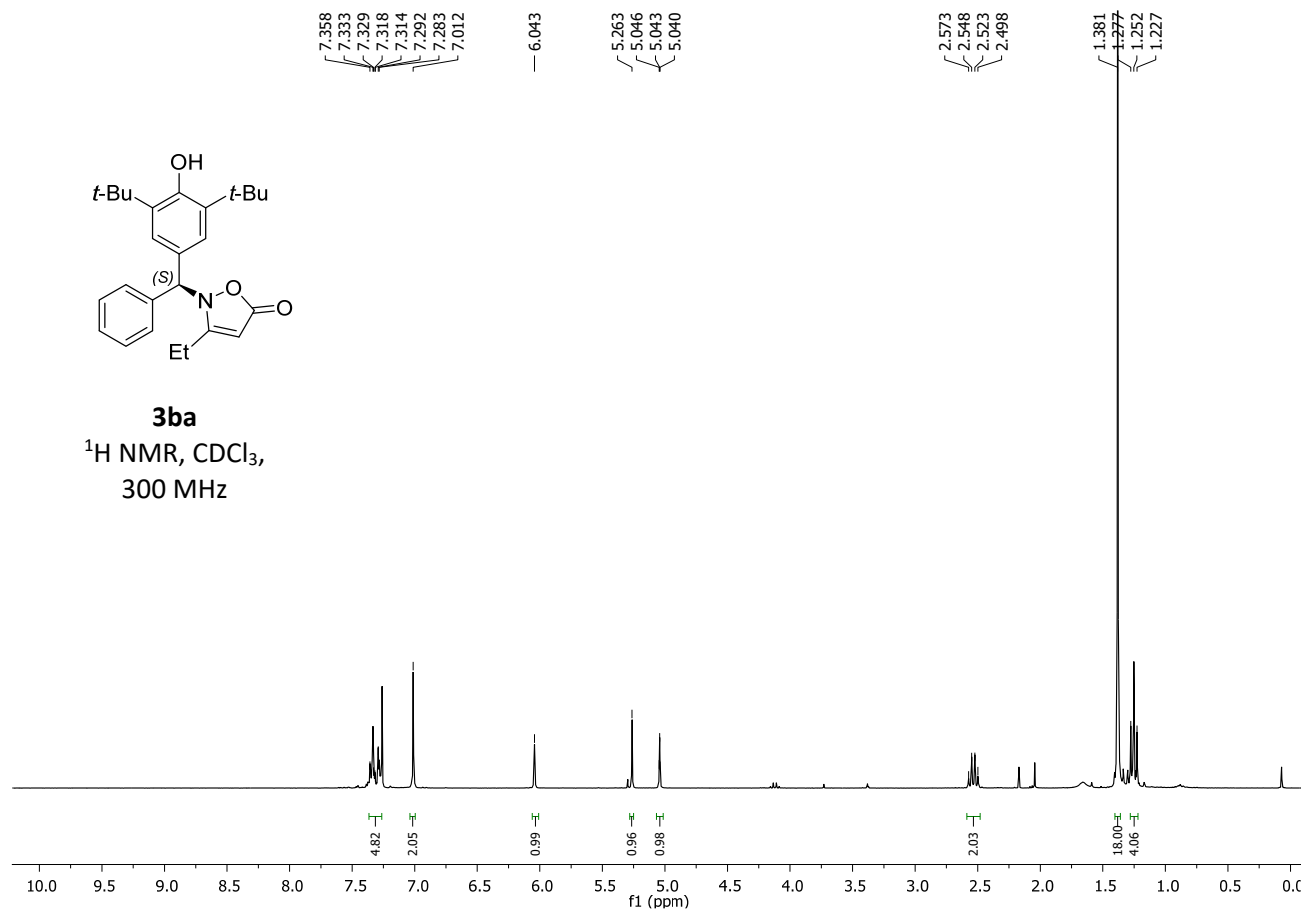
Retention Time	Area	Area Percent
11,58	77414976	49,841
13,48	77907582	50,159



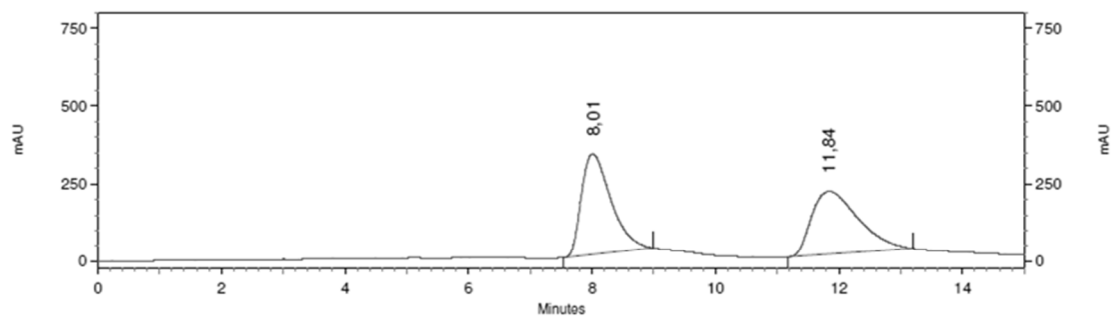
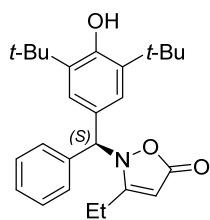
14: 270 nm, 4 nm Results

Retention Time	Area	Area Percent
12,19	16368611	6,395
13,66	239602039	93,605



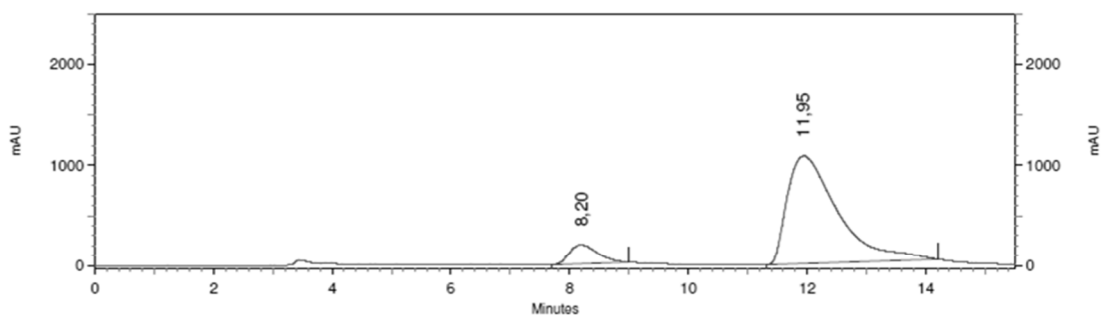


Compound 3ba



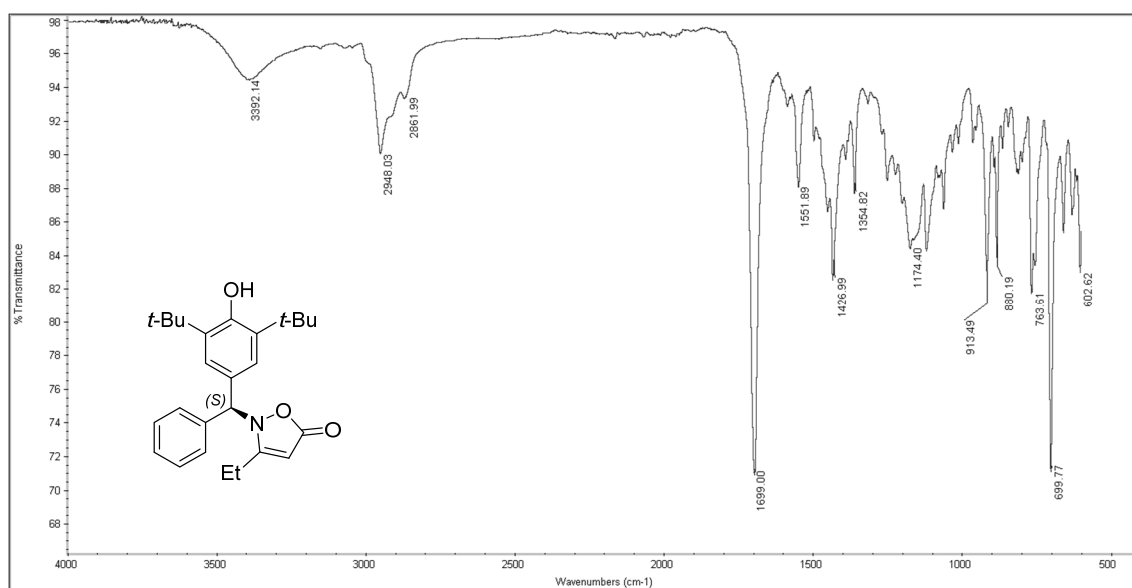
16: 270 nm, 4 nm
Results

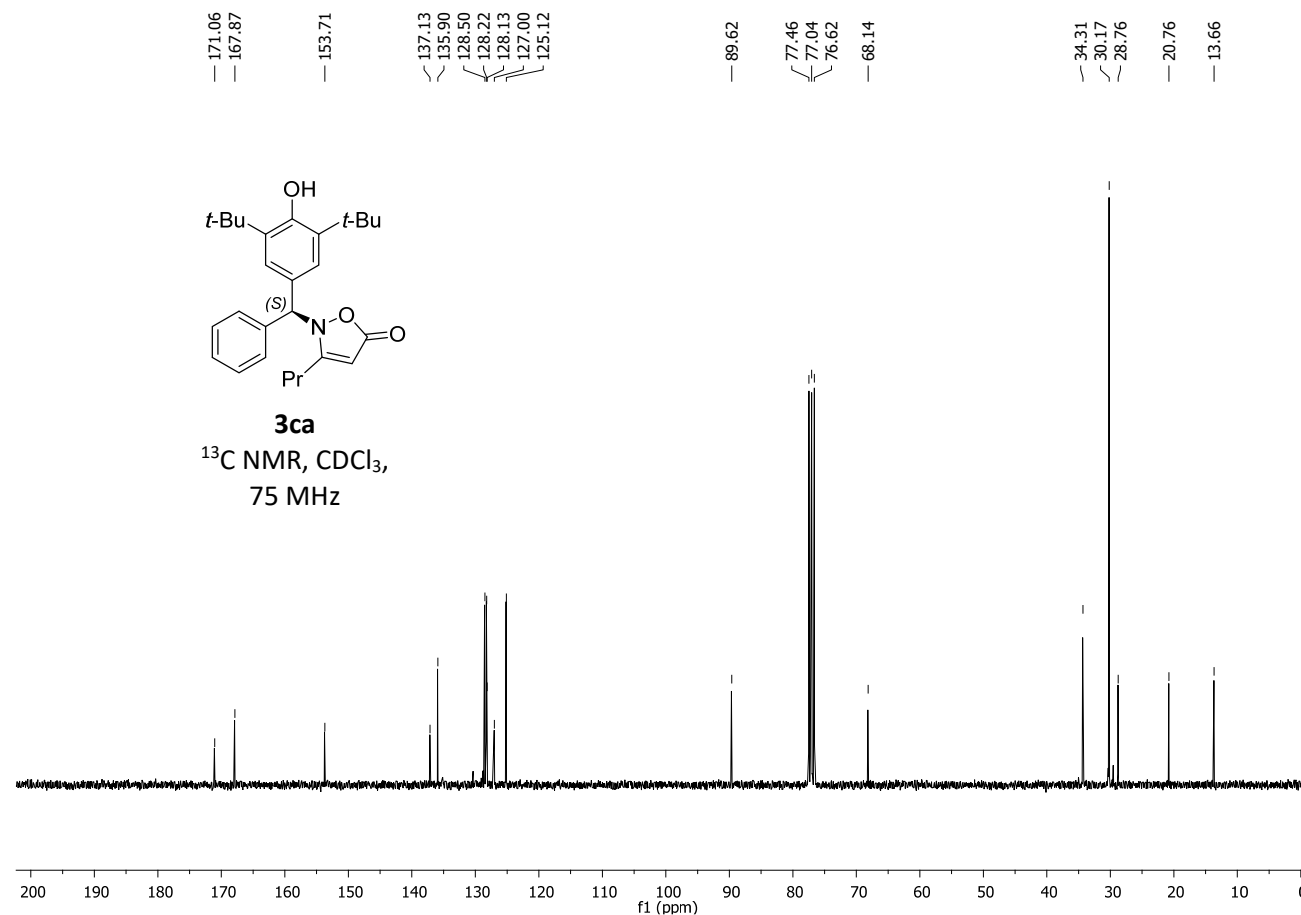
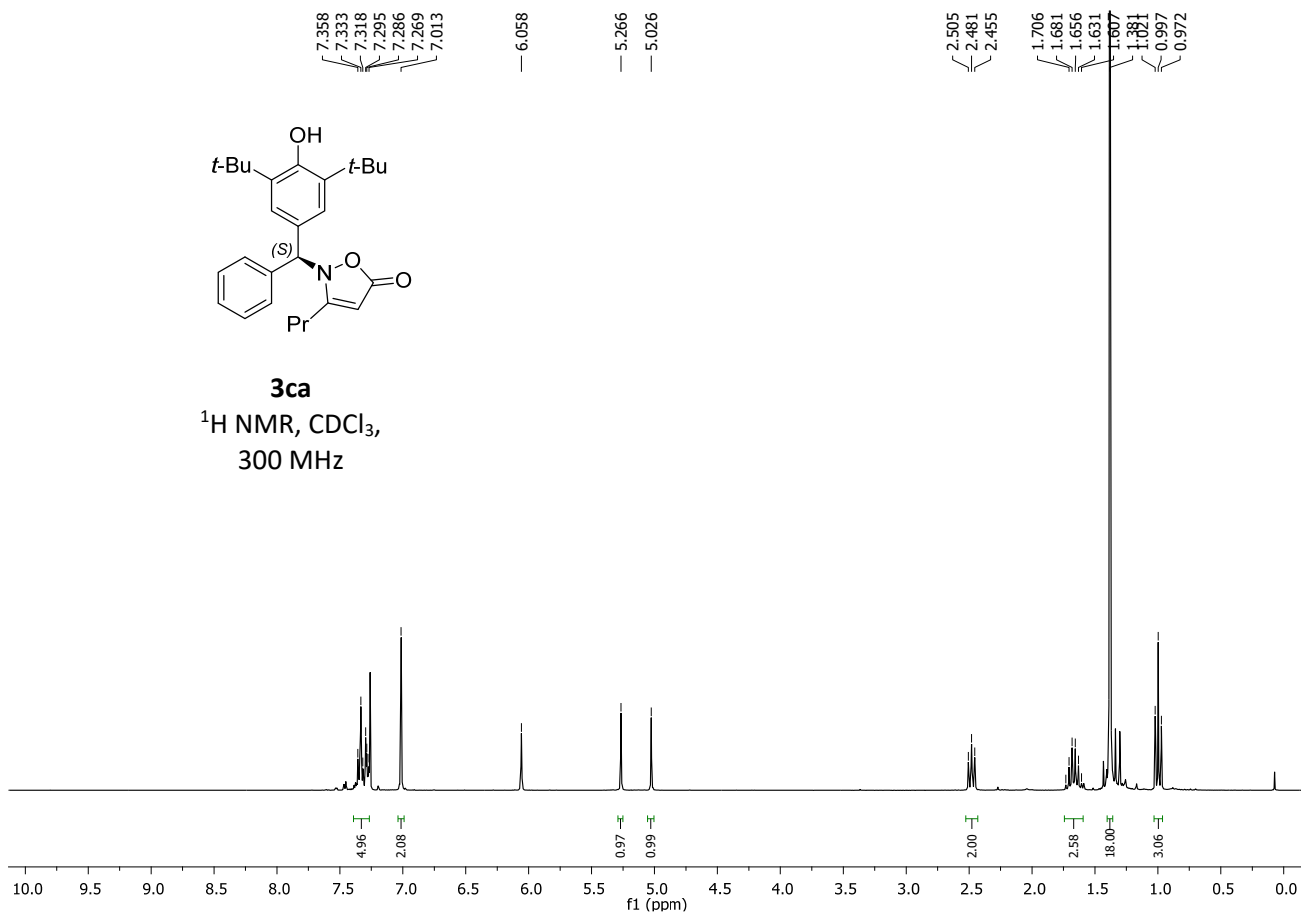
Retention Time	Area	Area Percent
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11,84	42674261	49,666



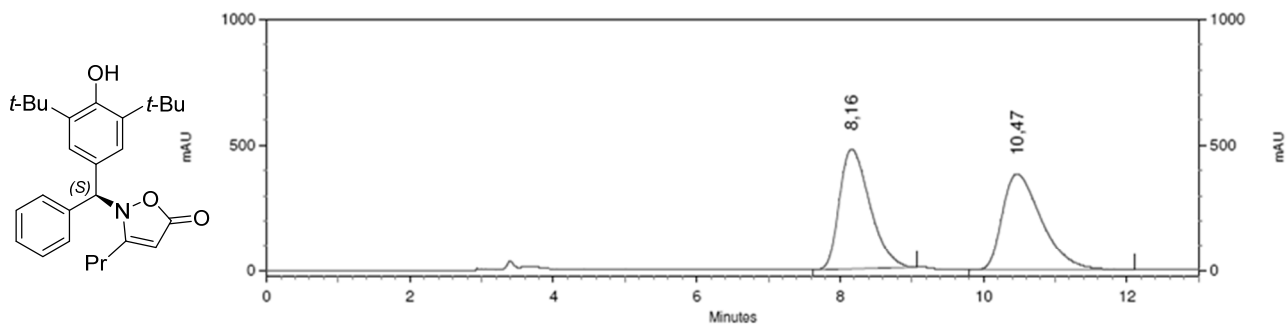
16: 270 nm, 4 nm
Results

Retention Time	Area	Area Percent
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11,95	252588836	90,908



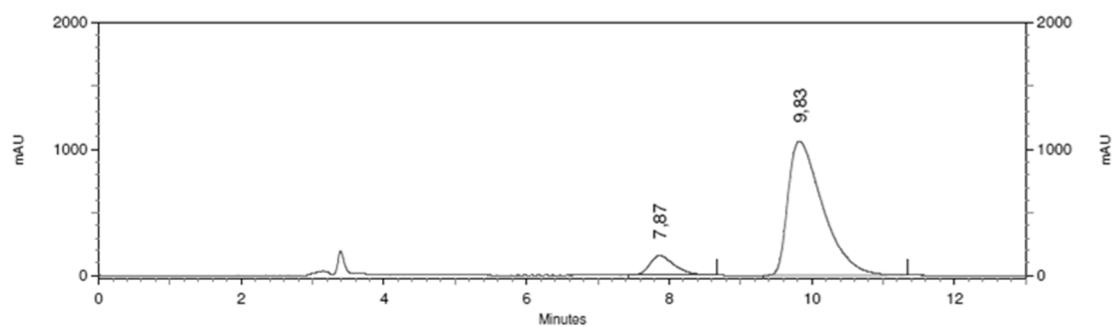


Compound 3ca



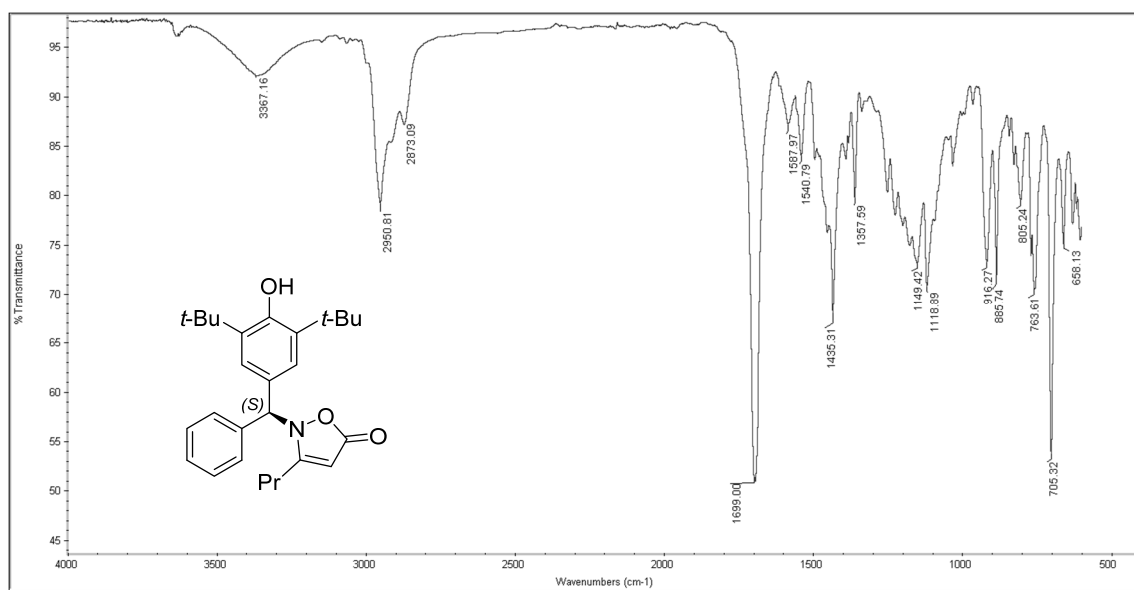
16: 283 nm, 4 nm
Results

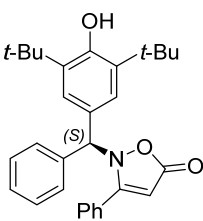
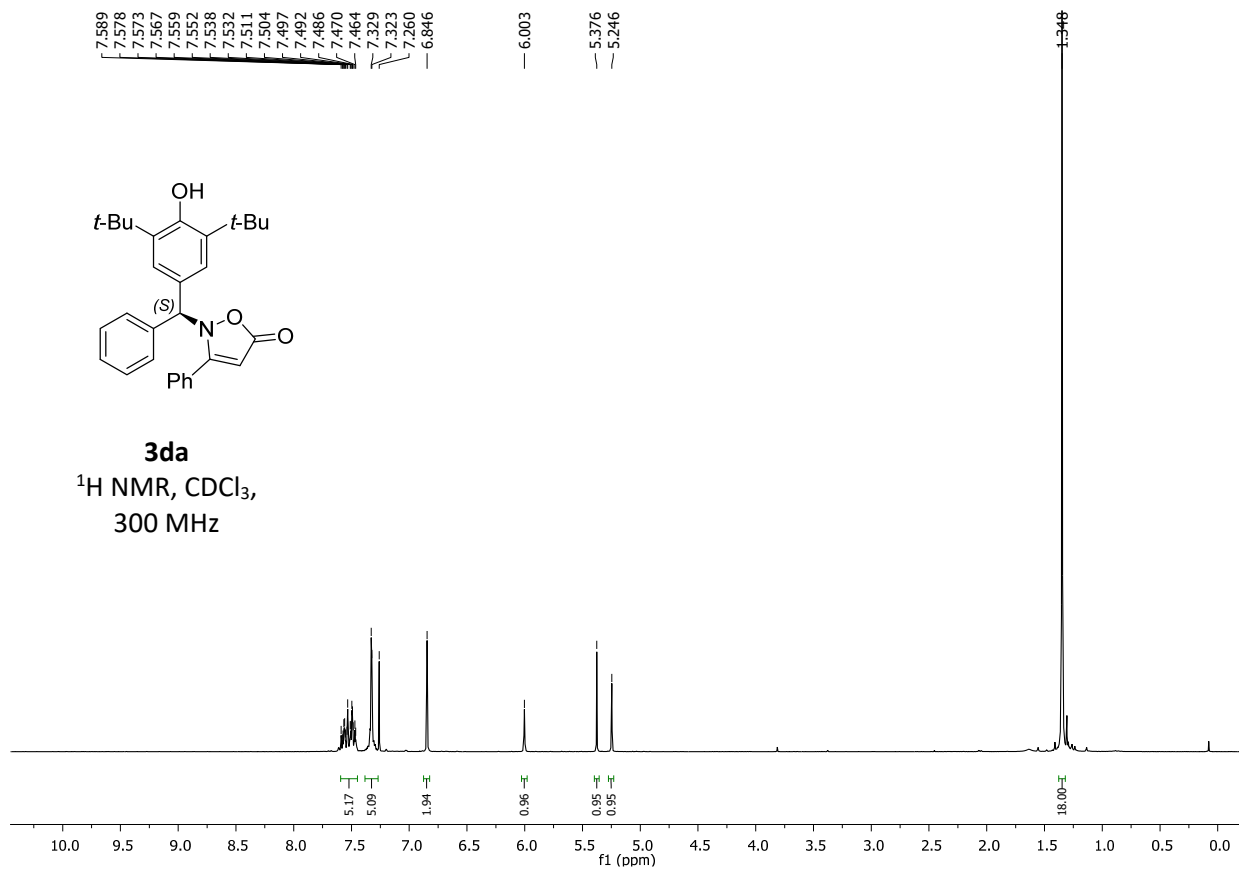
Retention Time	Area	Area Percent
8,16	56847636	49,281
10,47	58505396	50,719



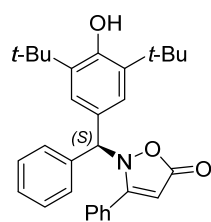
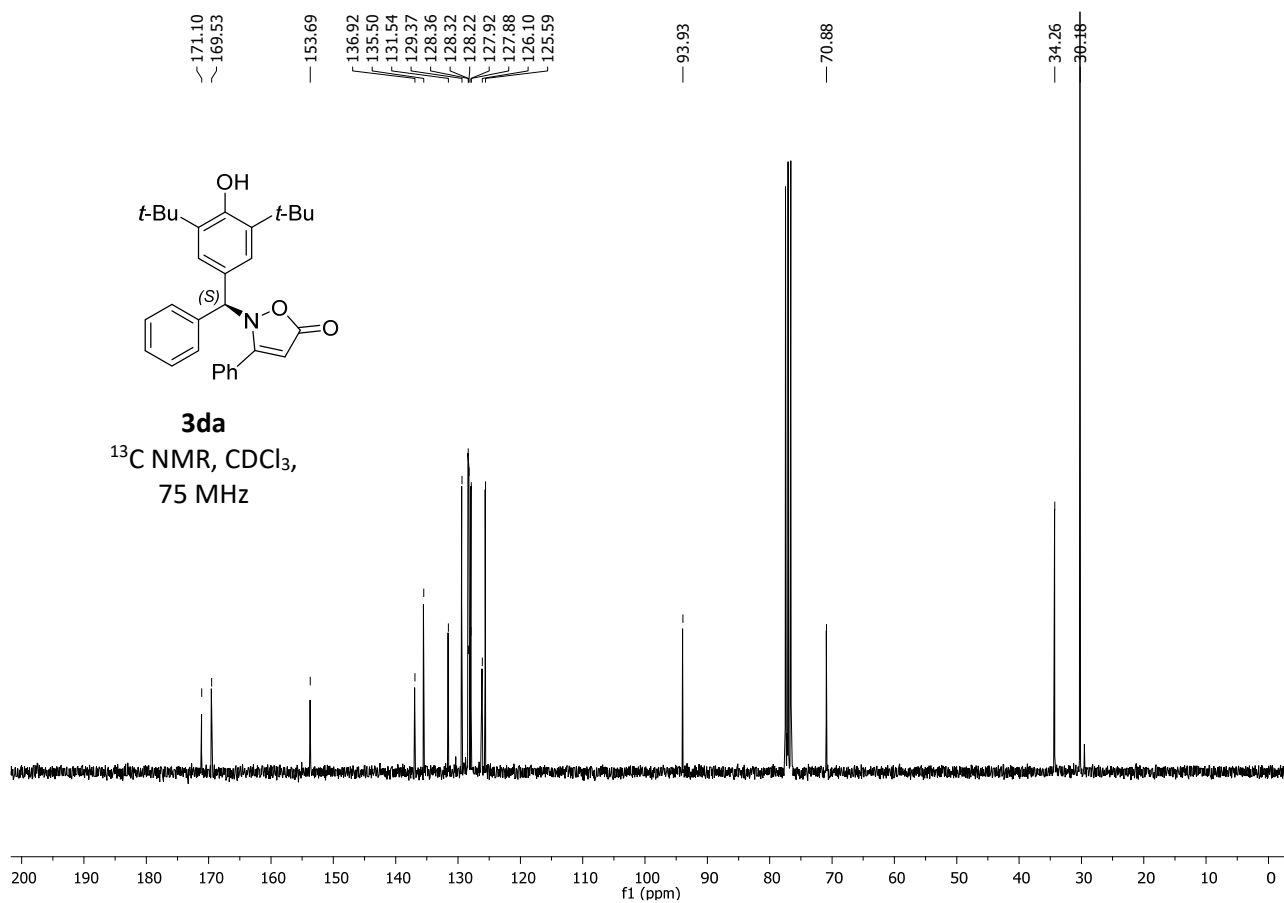
16: 283 nm, 4 nm
Results

Retention Time	Area	Area Percent
7,87	14895881	9,357
9,83	144305084	90,643



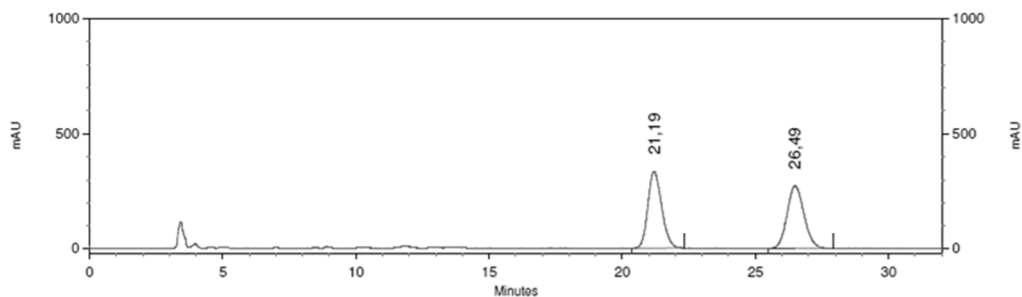
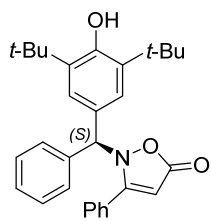


3da
¹H NMR, CDCl₃,
 300 MHz



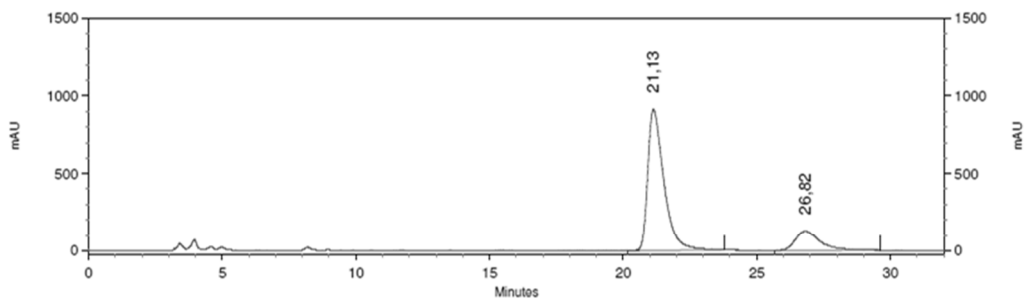
3da
¹³C NMR, CDCl₃,
 75 MHz

Compound 3da



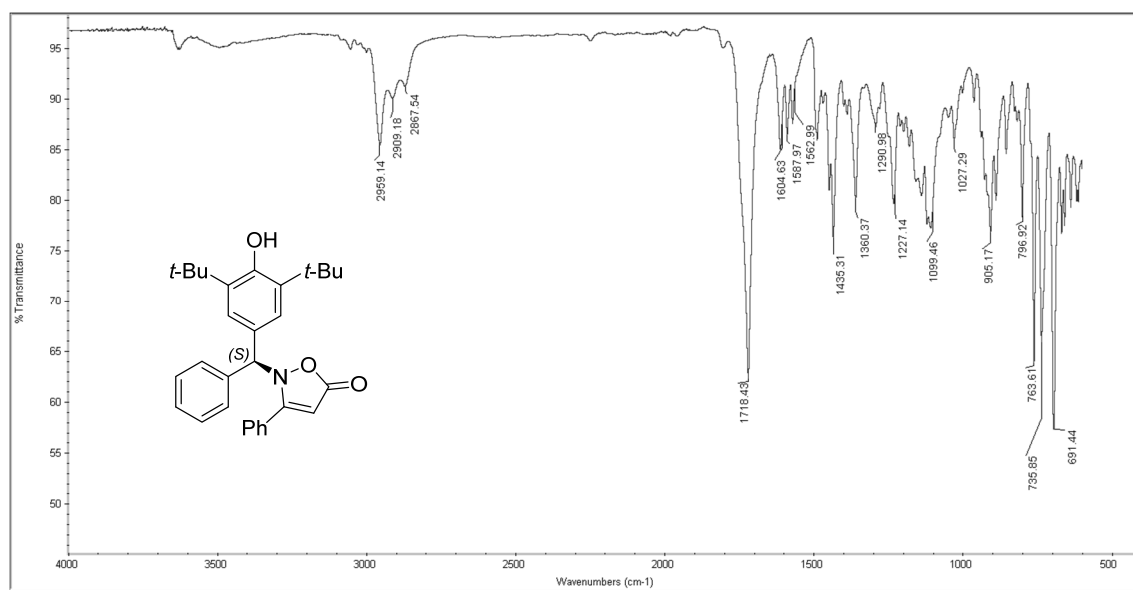
17: 270 nm, 4 nm
Results

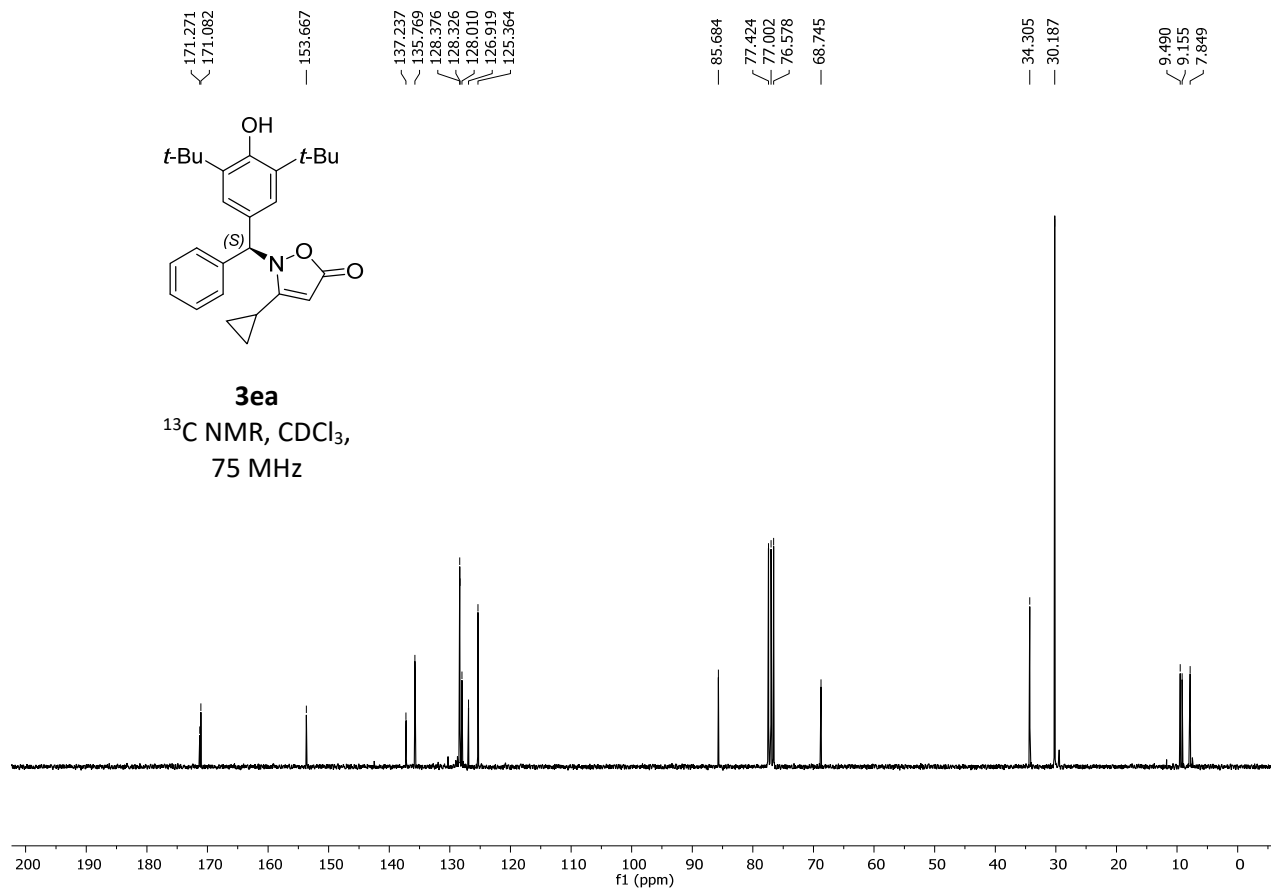
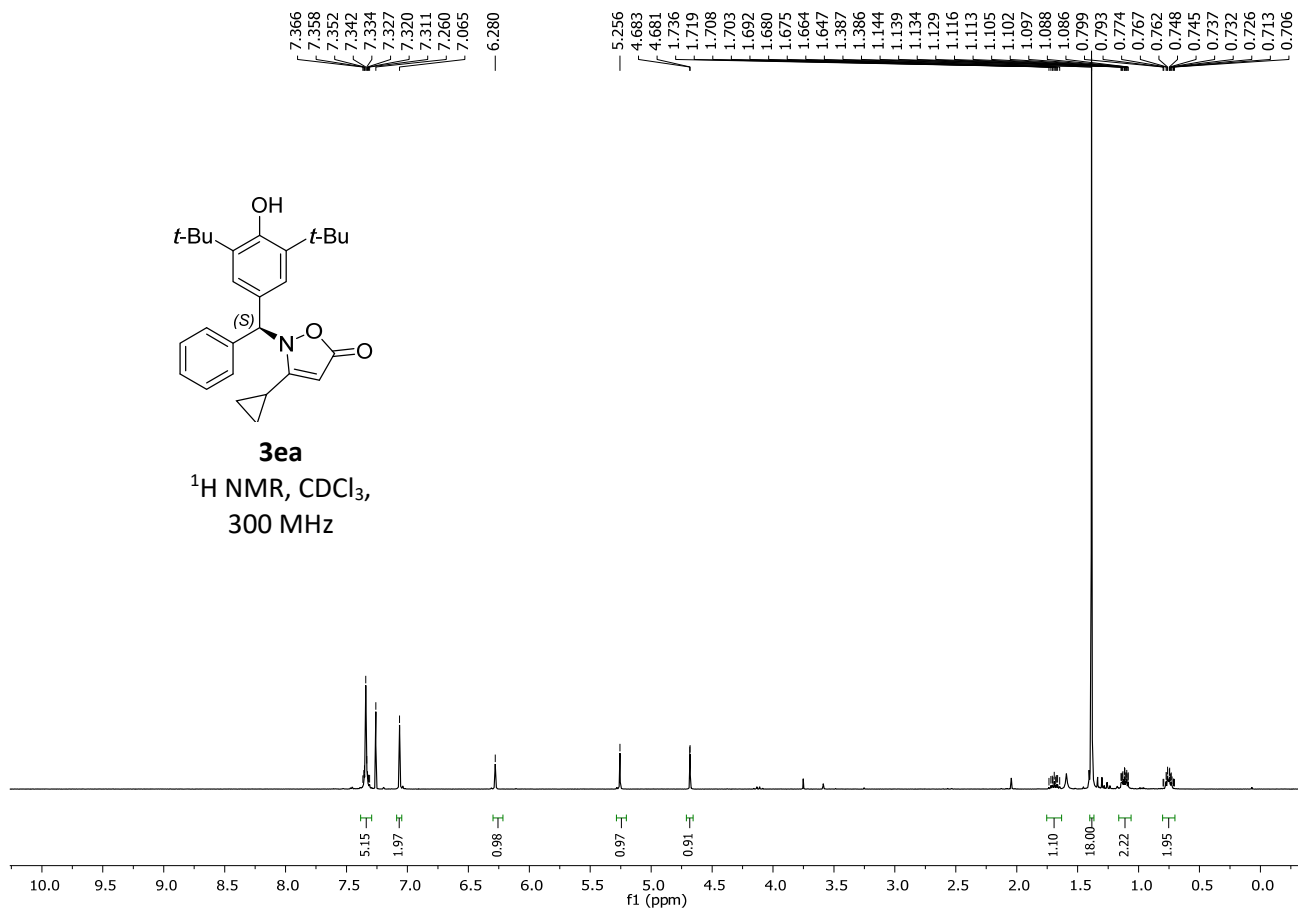
Retention Time	Area	Area Percent
21, 19	48706139	49, 953
26, 49	48797798	50, 047



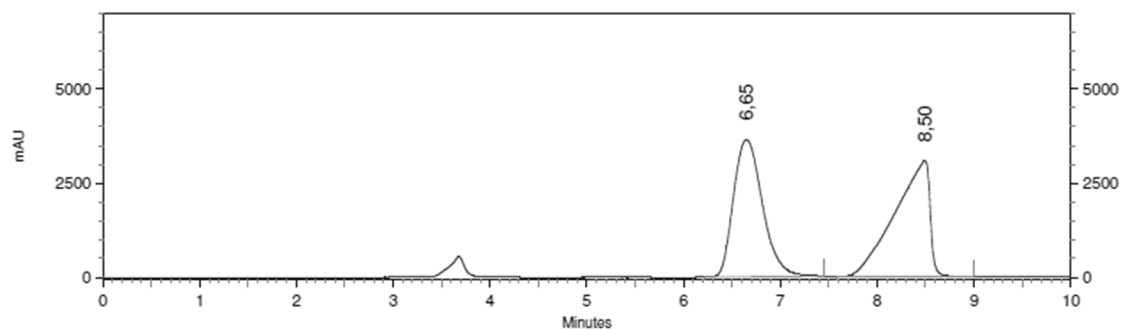
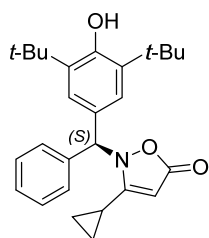
17: 270 nm, 4 nm
Results

Retention Time	Area	Area Percent
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26, 82	32690420	17, 635



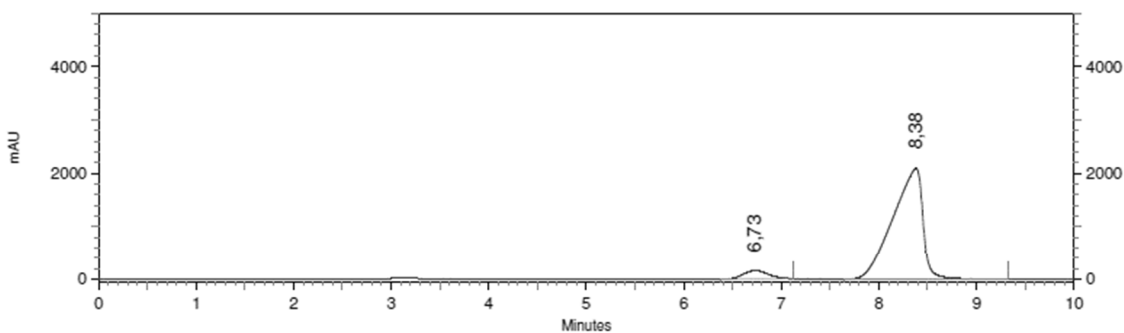


Compound 3ea



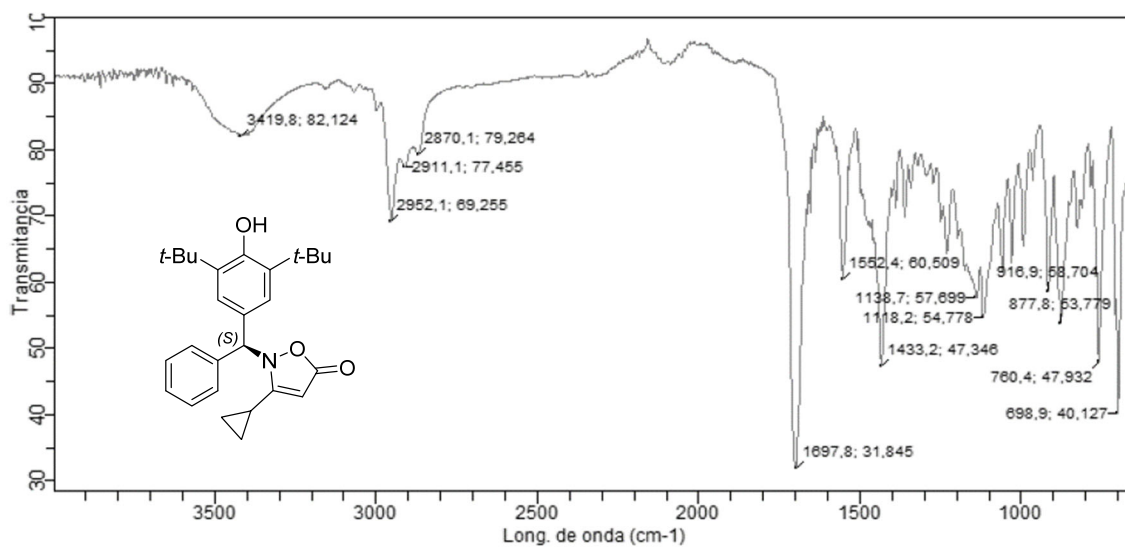
1: 275 nm, 4 nm Results

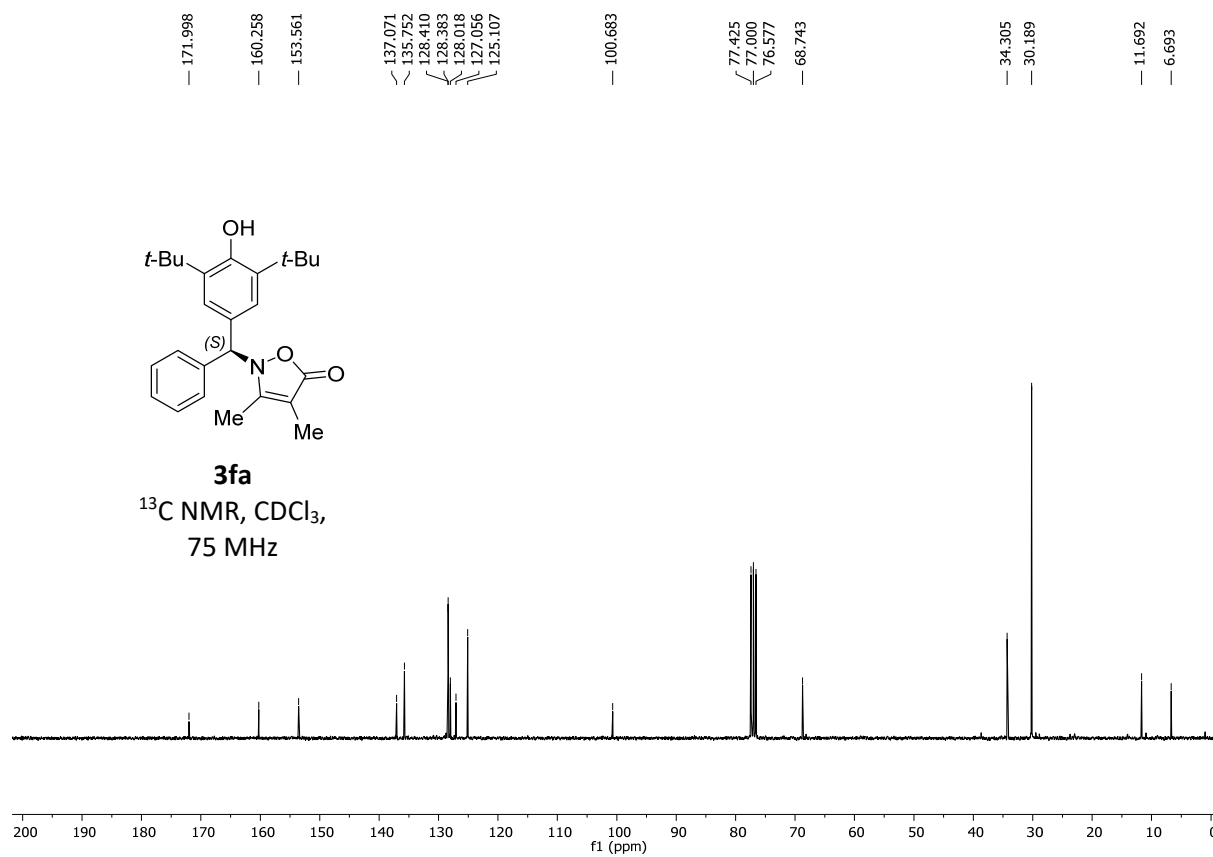
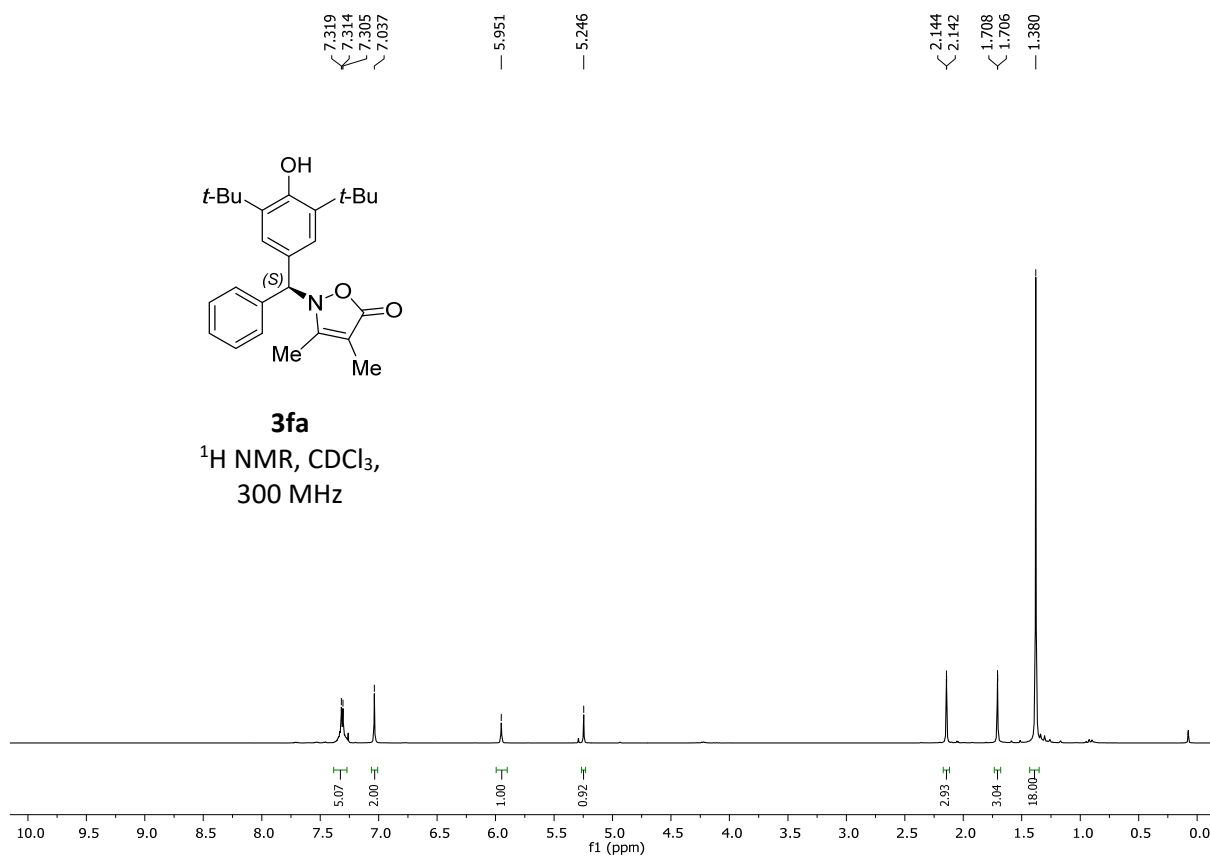
Retention Time	Area	Area Percent
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8,50	313539565	50,722



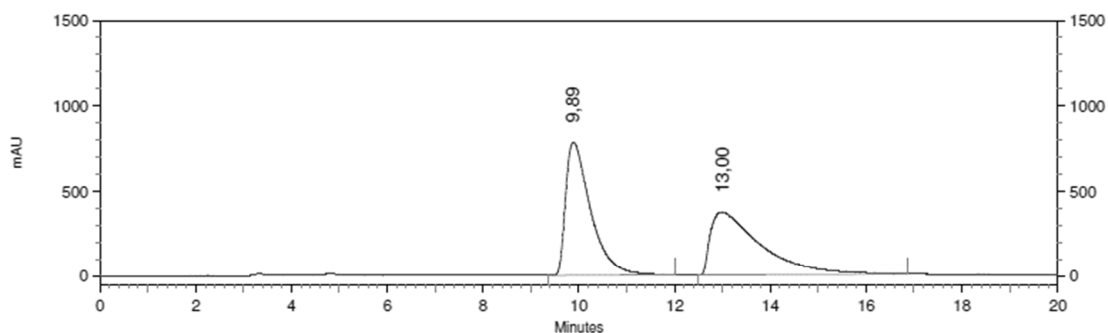
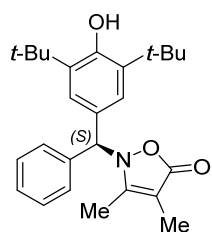
1: 275 nm, 4 nm Results

Retention Time	Area	Area Percent
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8,38	179611657	94,338





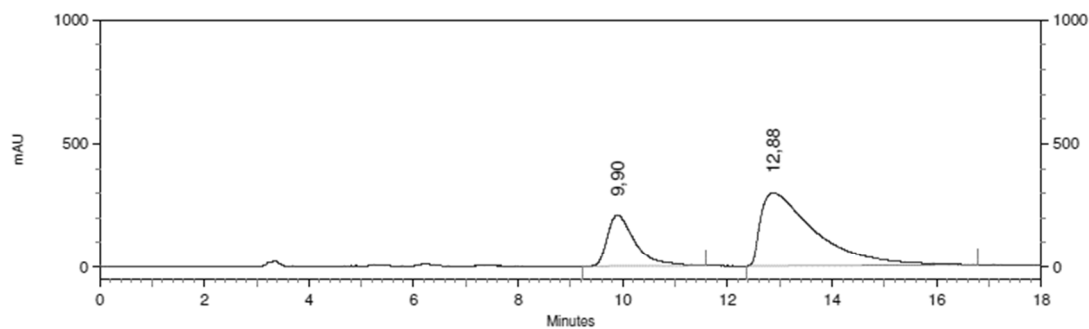
Compound 3fa



18: 270 nm, 4 nm

Results

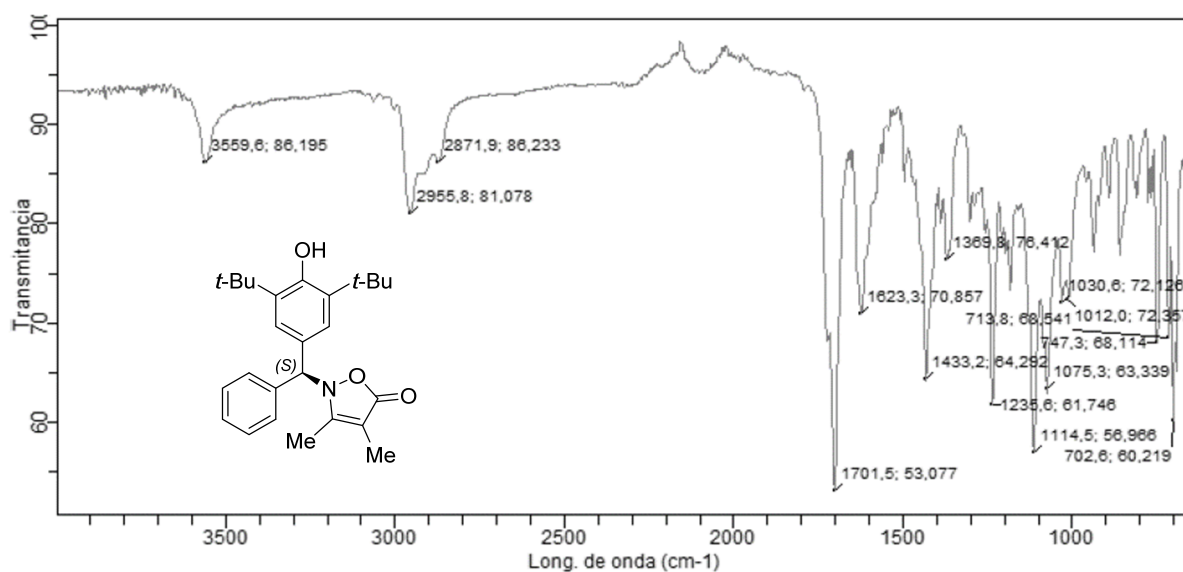
Retention Time	Area	Area Percent
9,89	114302447	51,103
13,00	109368629	48,897

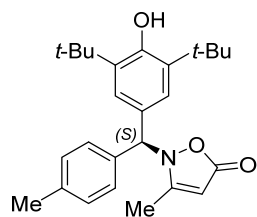


18: 270 nm, 4 nm

Results

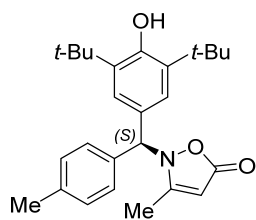
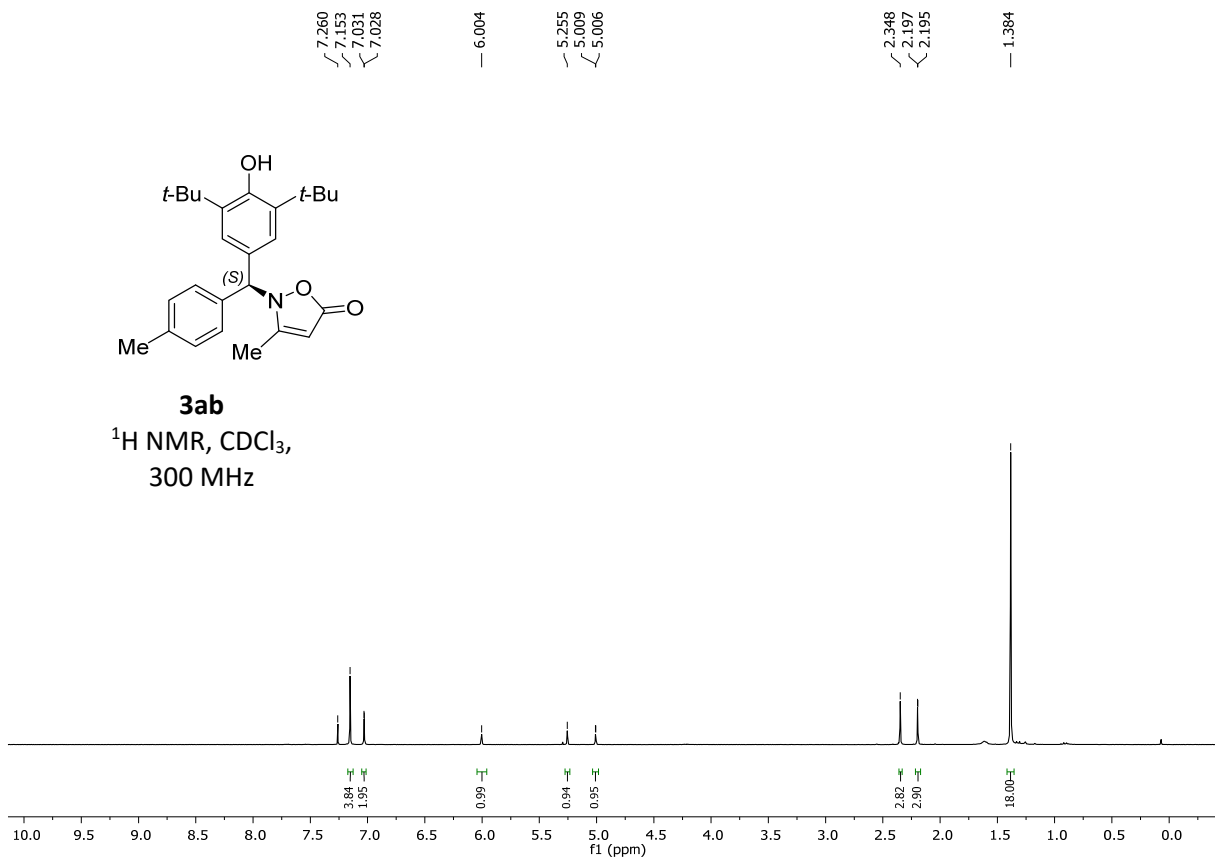
Retention Time	Area	Area Percent
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12,88	86808559	73,732





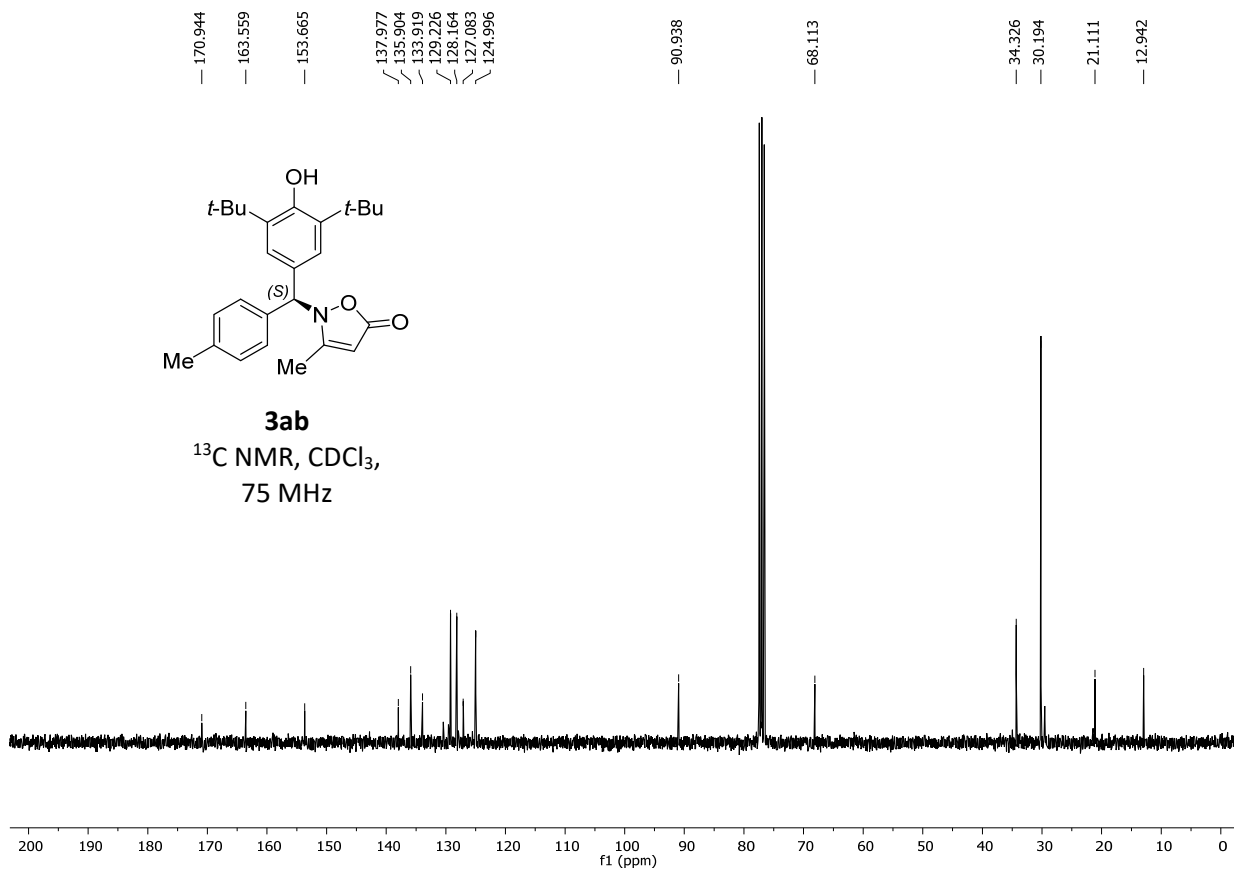
3ab

^1H NMR, CDCl_3 ,
300 MHz

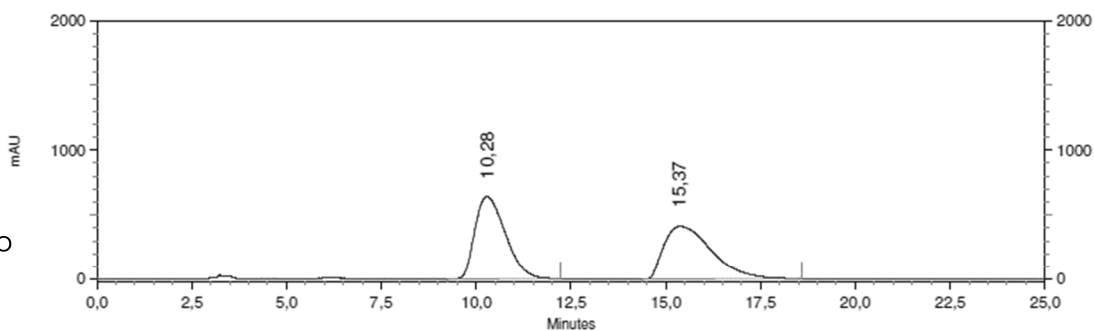
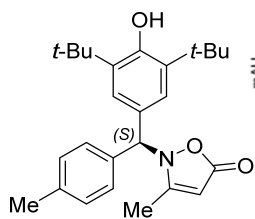


3ab

^{13}C NMR, CDCl_3 ,
75 MHz



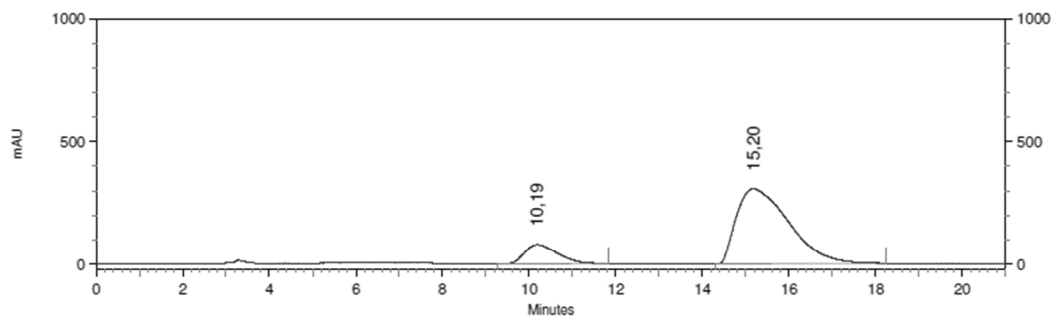
Compound 3ab



18: 270 nm, 4 nm

Results

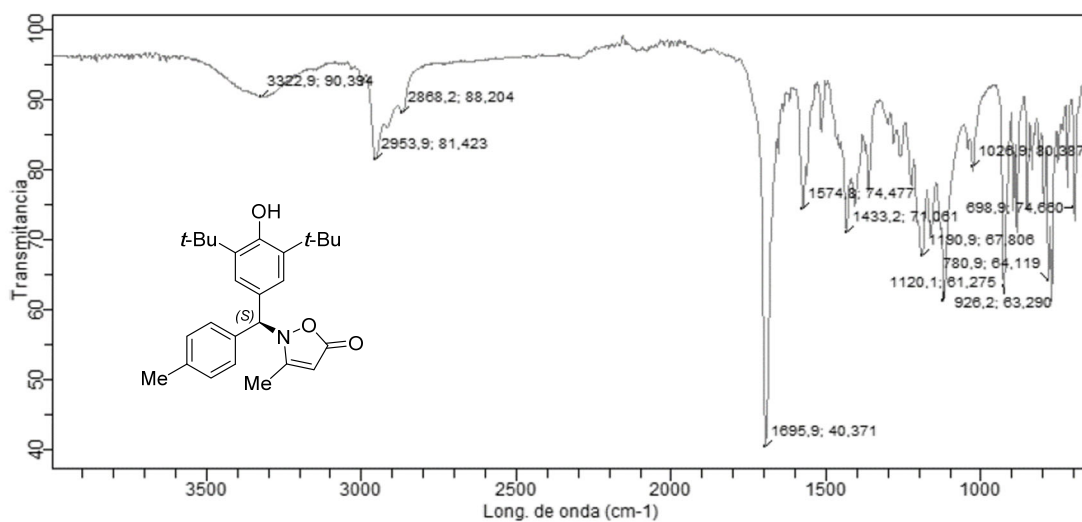
Retention Time	Area	Area Percent
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15,37	144083176	50,108

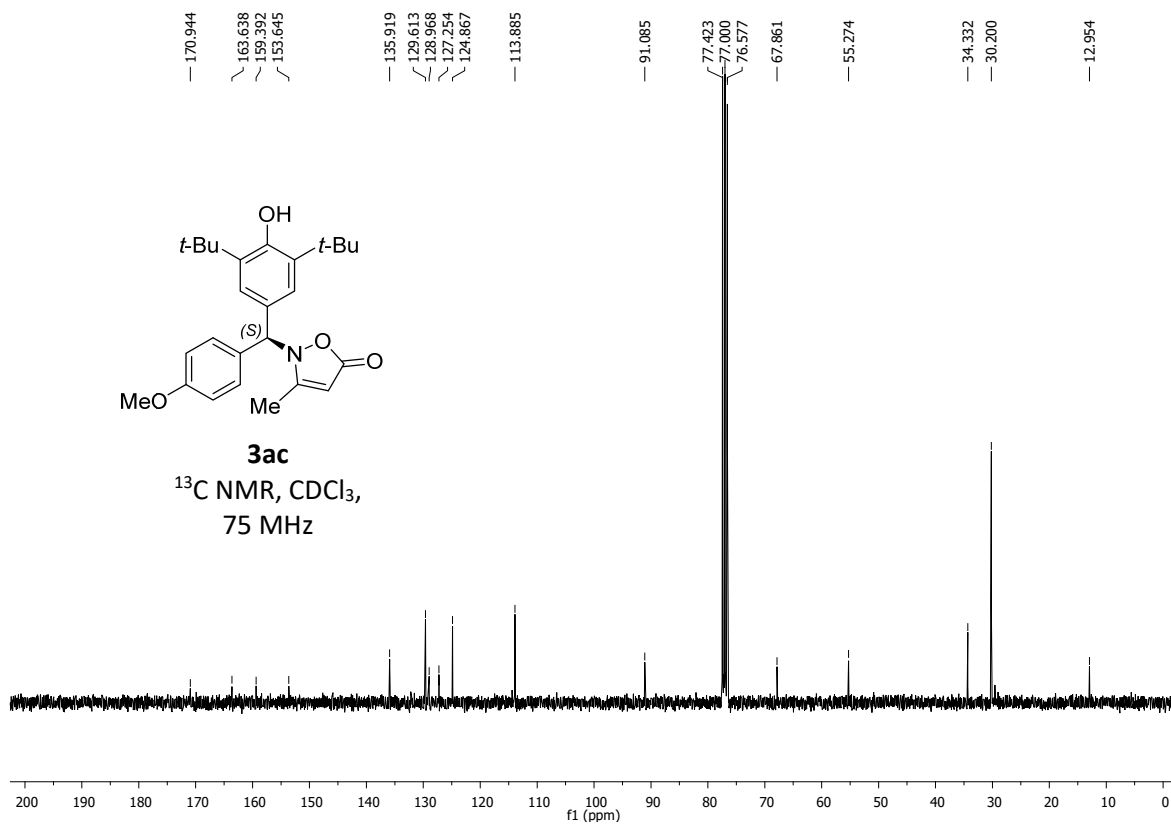
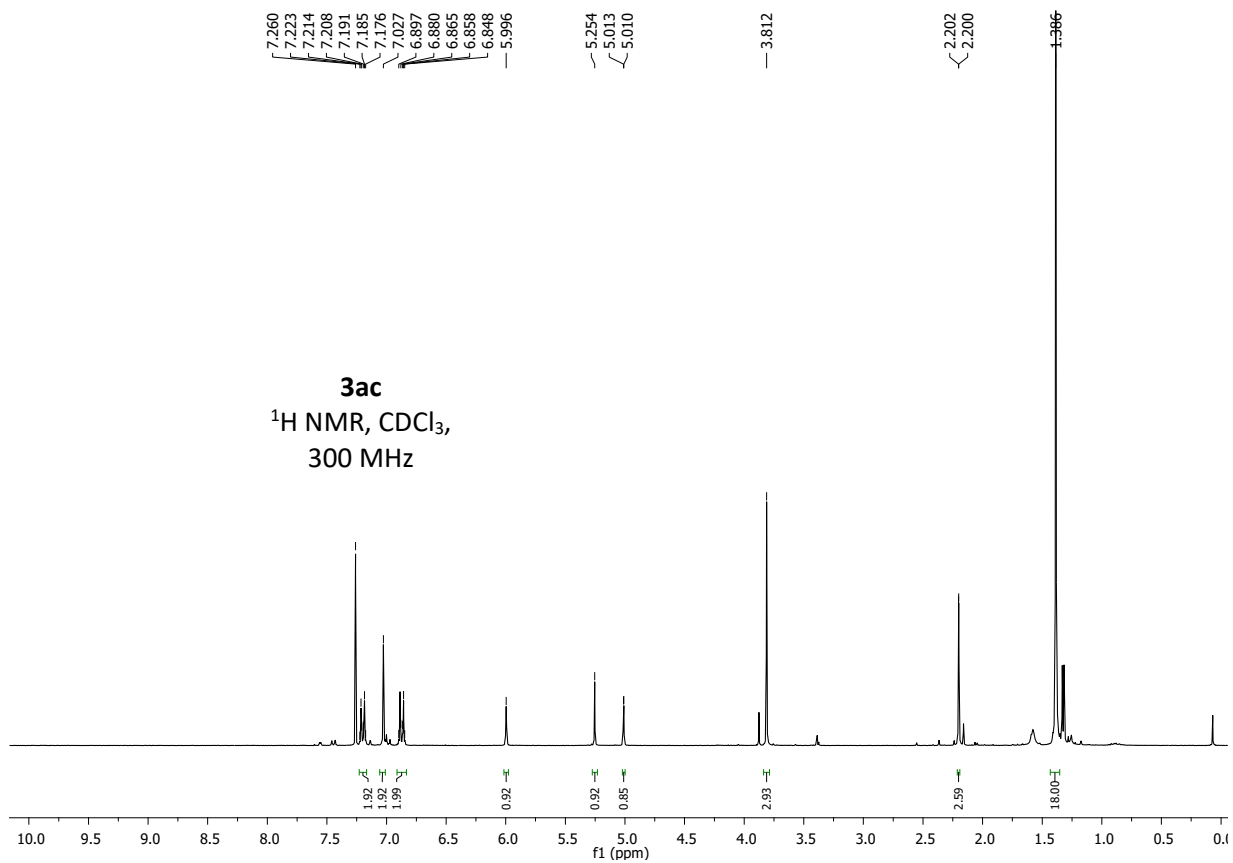


18: 270 nm, 4 nm

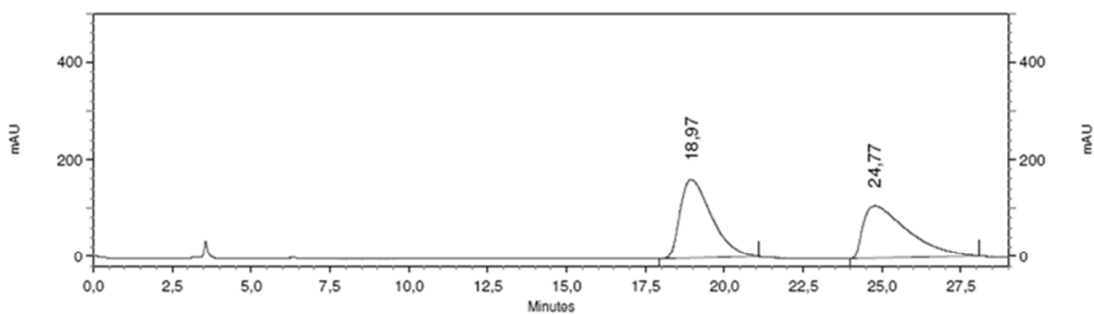
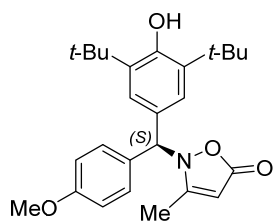
Results

Retention Time	Area	Area Percent
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15,20	103112216	85,973



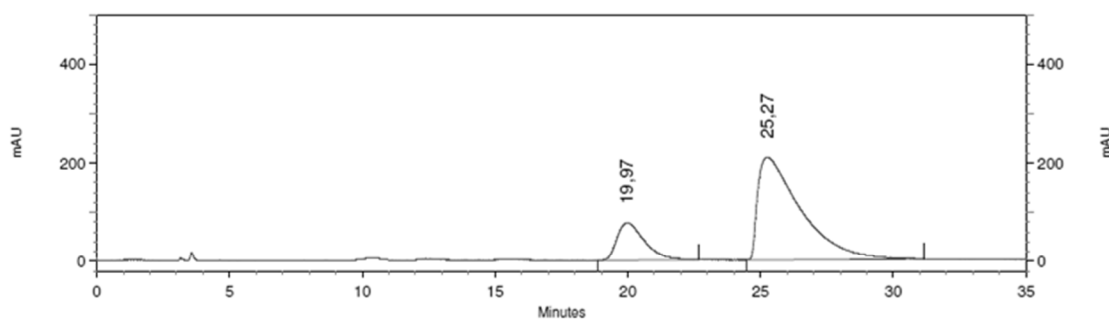


Compound 3ac



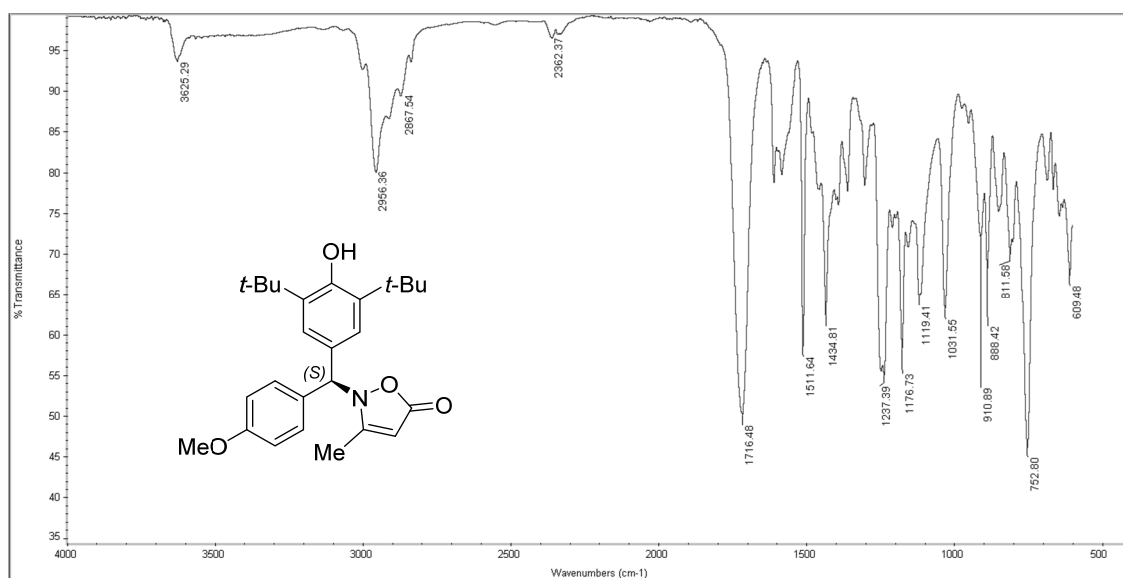
15: 270 nm, 4 nm
Results

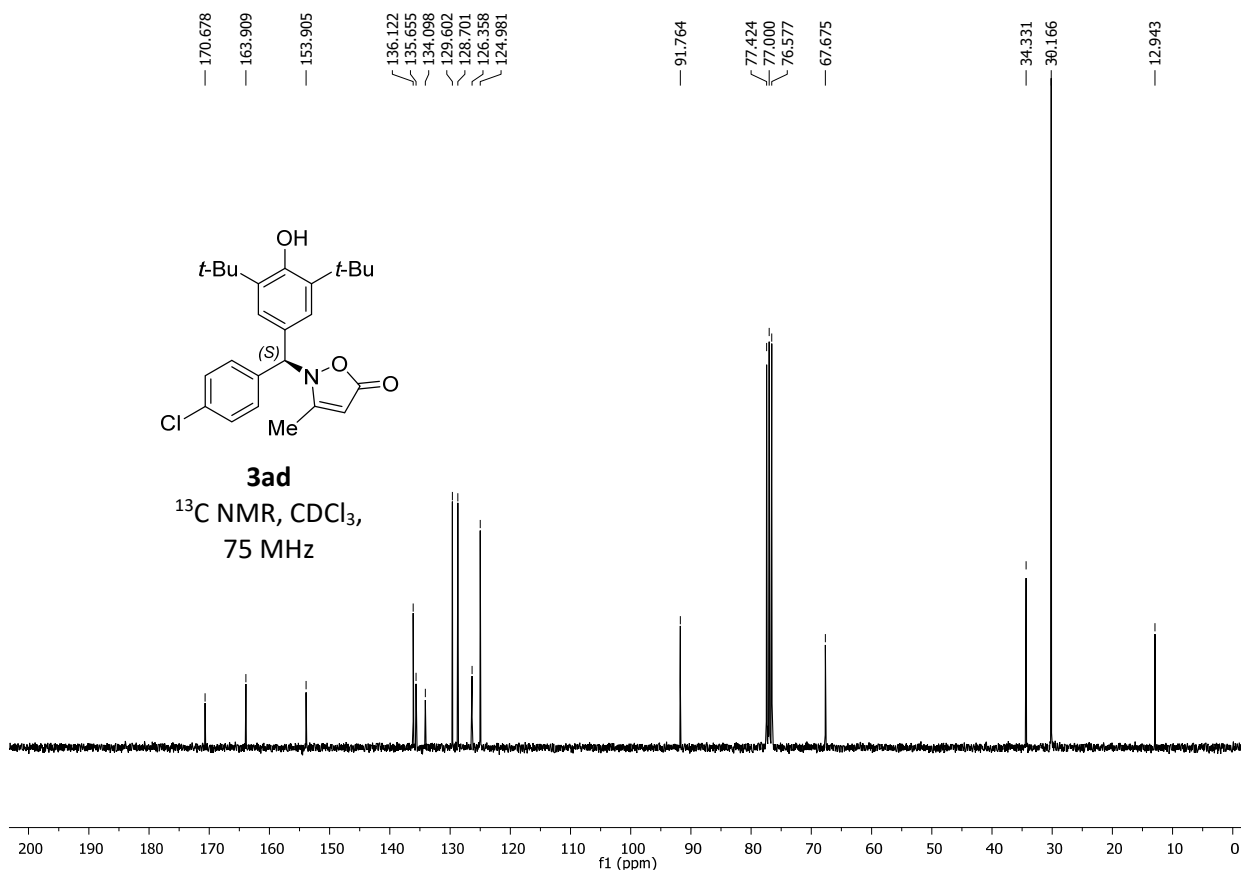
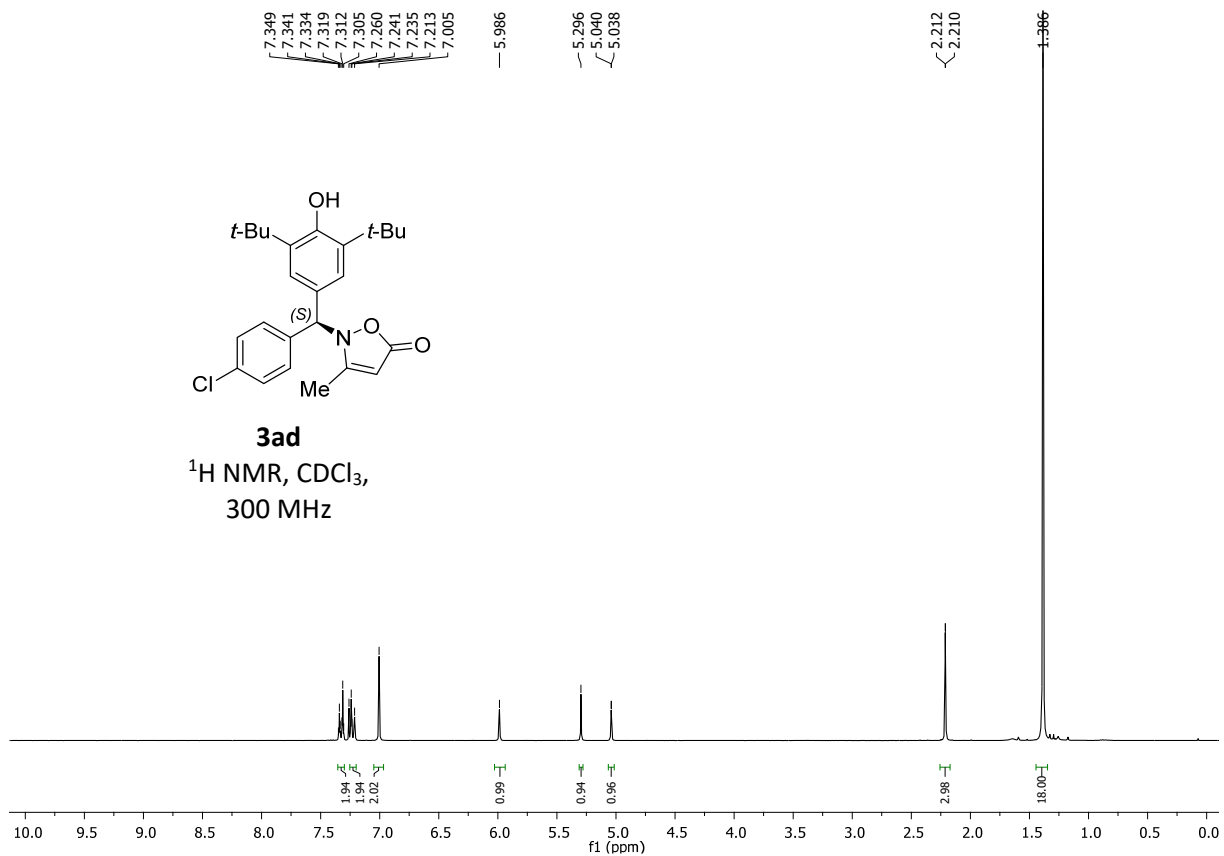
Retention Time	Area	Area Percent
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24,77	43079988	48,761



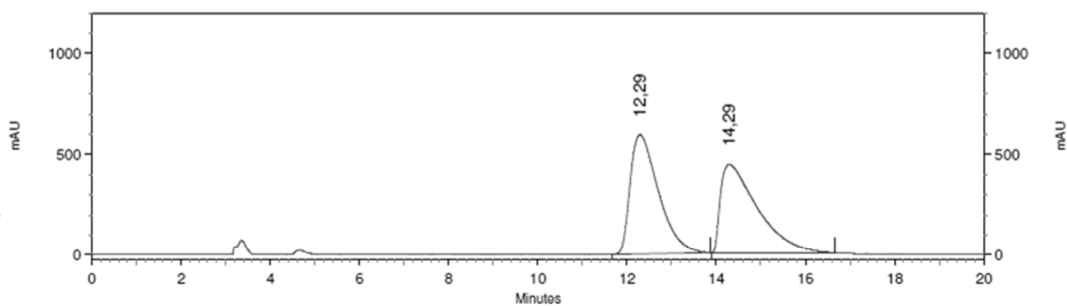
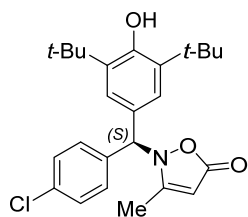
16: 270 nm, 4 nm
Results

Retention Time	Area	Area Percent
19,97	22493896	19,125
25,27	95122539	80,875





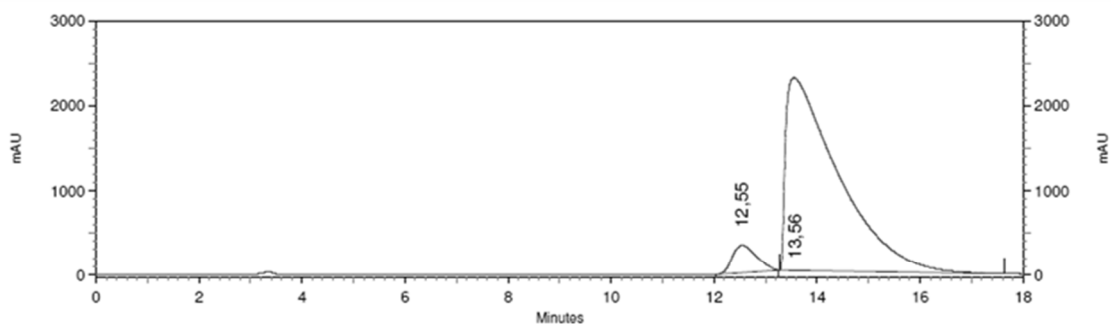
Compound 3ad



15: 270 nm, 4 nm

Results

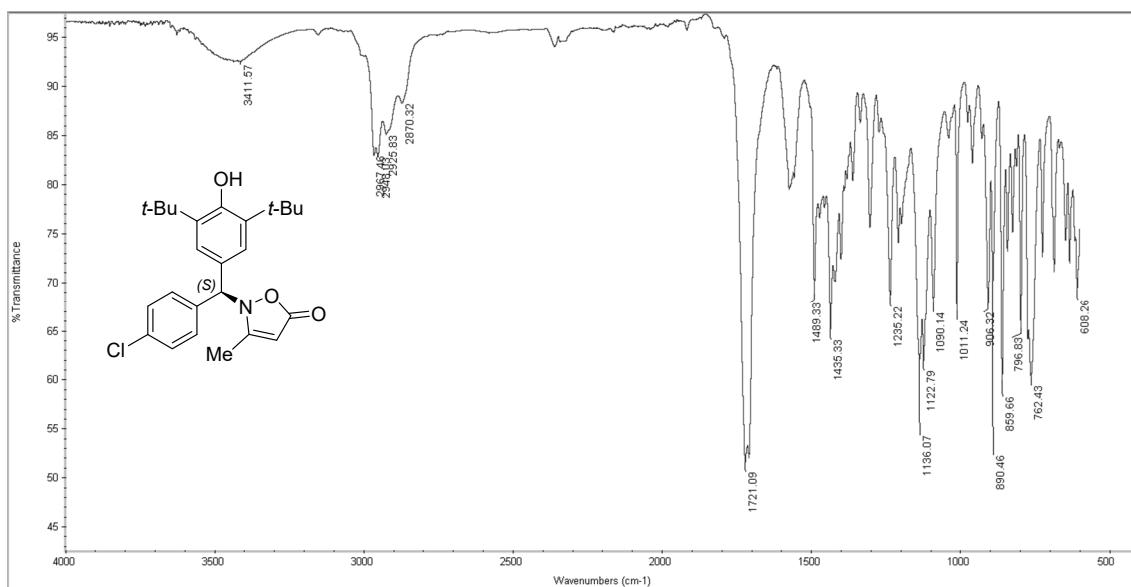
Retention Time	Area	Area Percent
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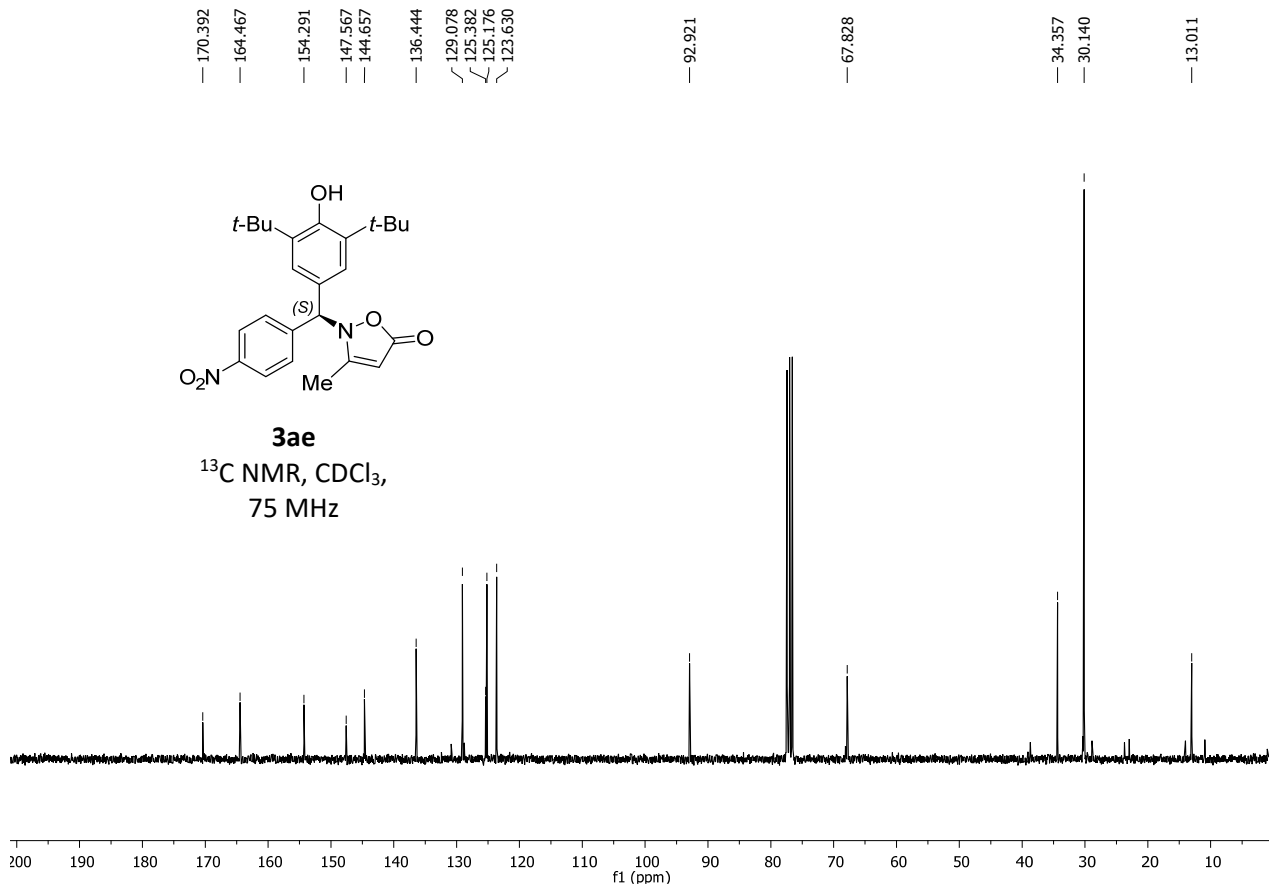
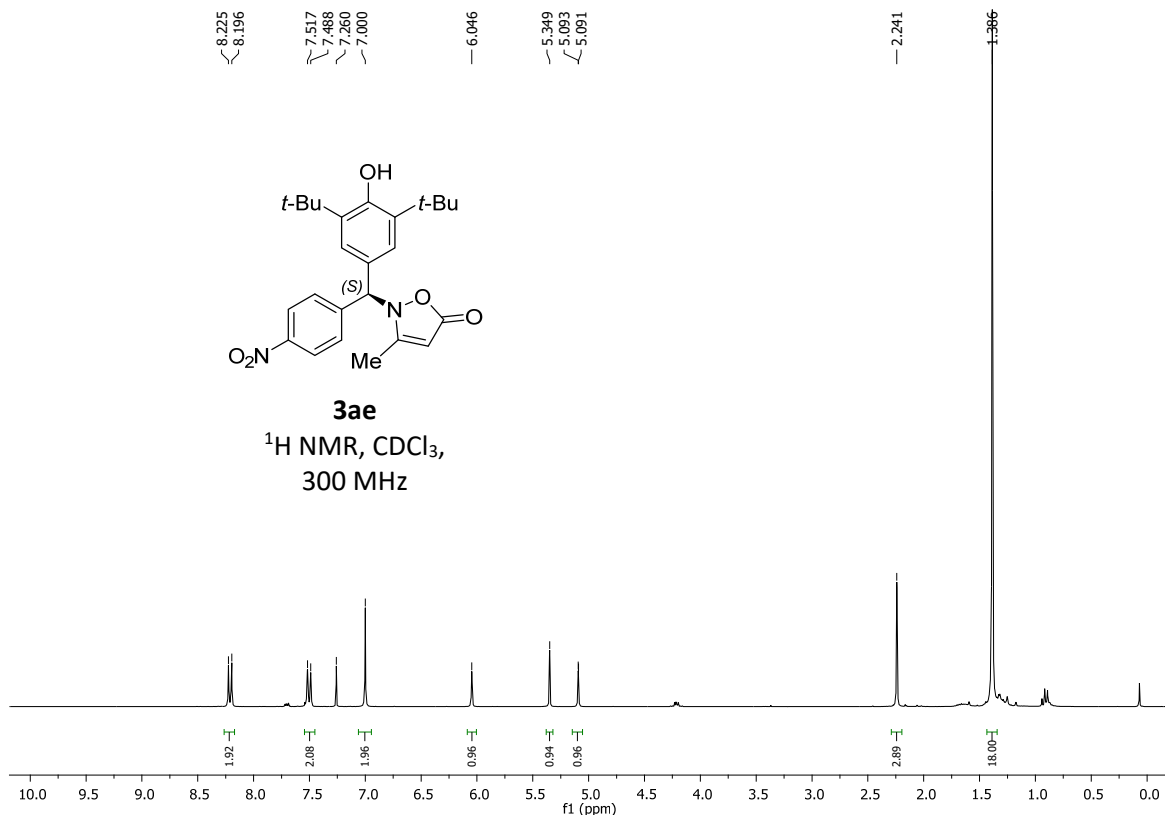


16: 270 nm, 4 nm

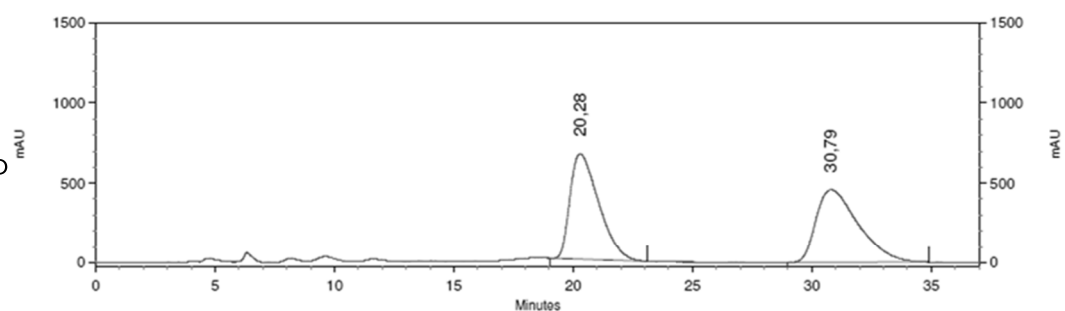
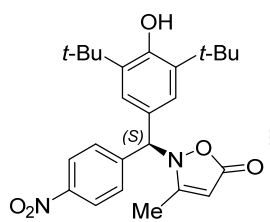
Results

Retention Time	Area	Area Percent
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13, 56	648871761	93, 799



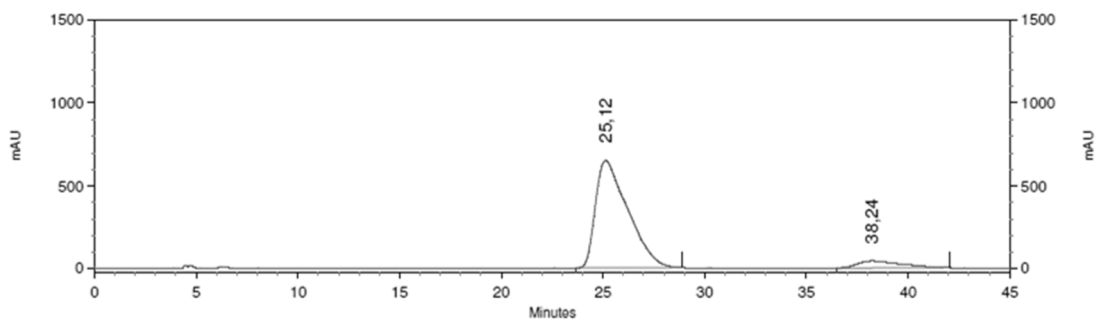


Compound 3ae



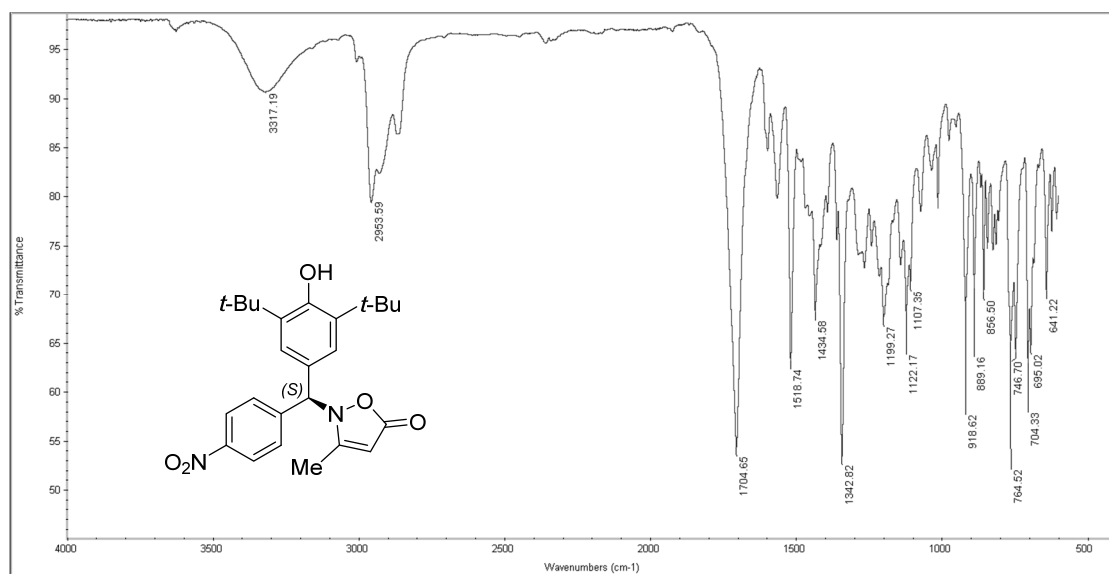
15: 270 nm, 4 nm
Results

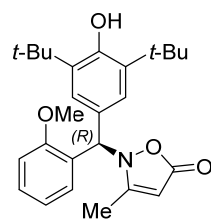
Retention Time	Area	Area Percent
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30, 79	225498288	50, 332



16: 270 nm, 4 nm
Results

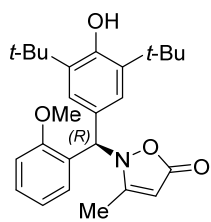
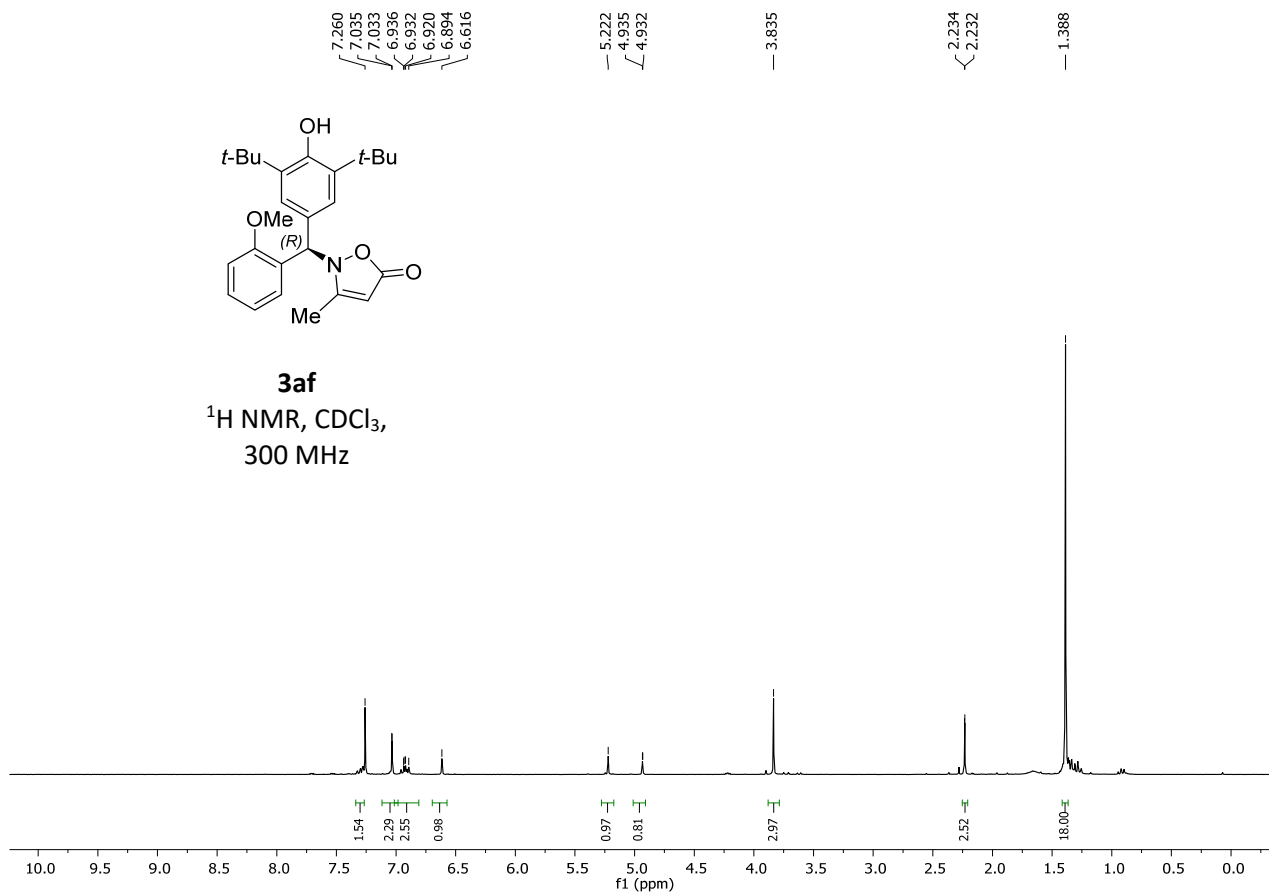
Retention Time	Area	Area Percent
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38, 24	24960812	7, 966





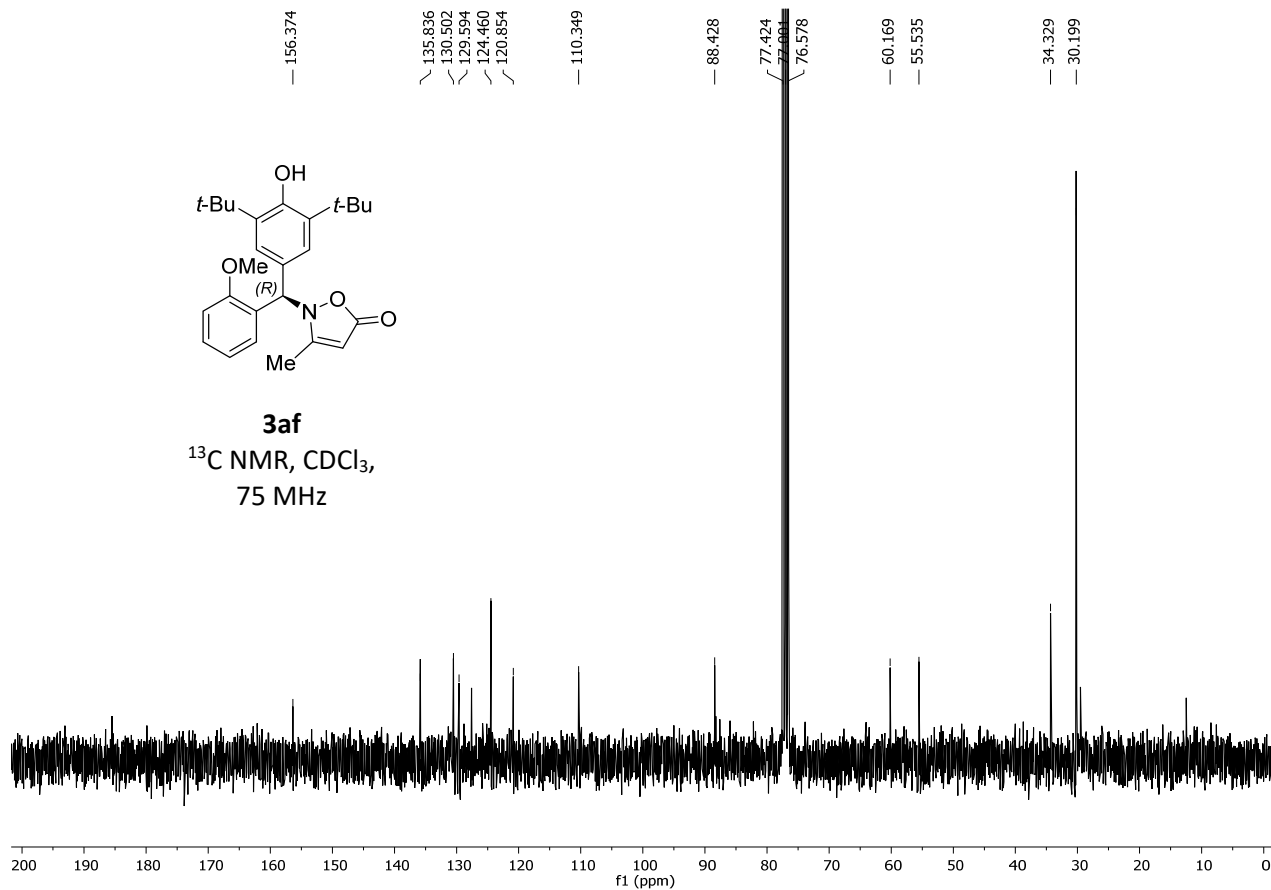
3af

^1H NMR, CDCl_3 ,
300 MHz

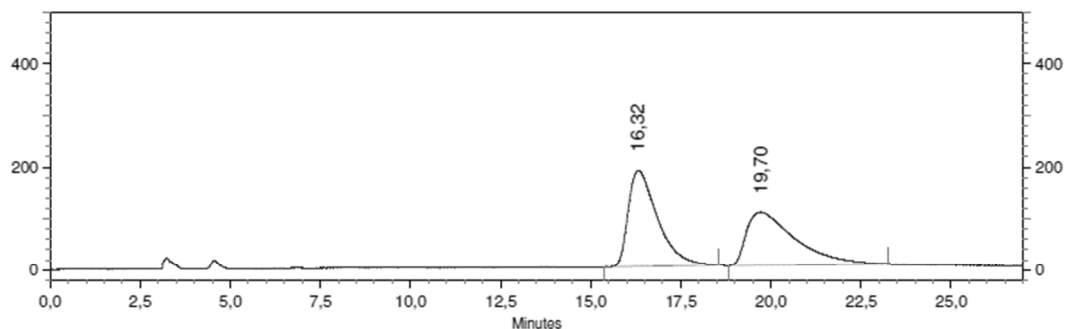
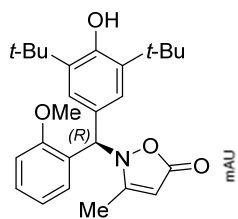


3af

^{13}C NMR, CDCl_3 ,
75 MHz



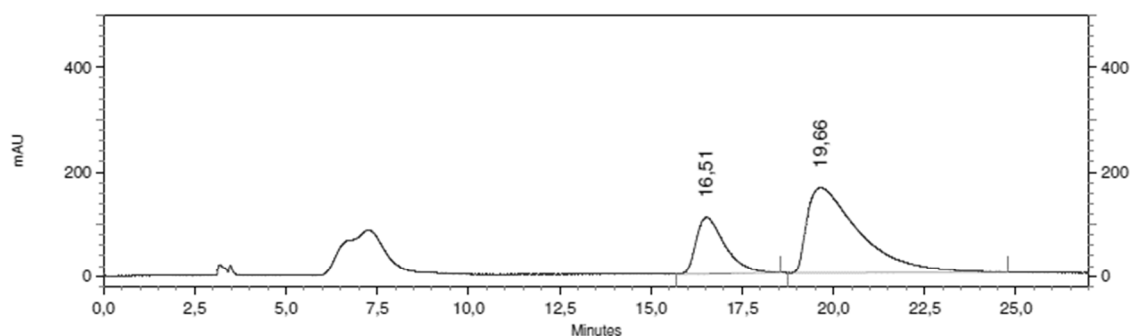
Compound 3af



18: 270 nm, 4 nm

Results

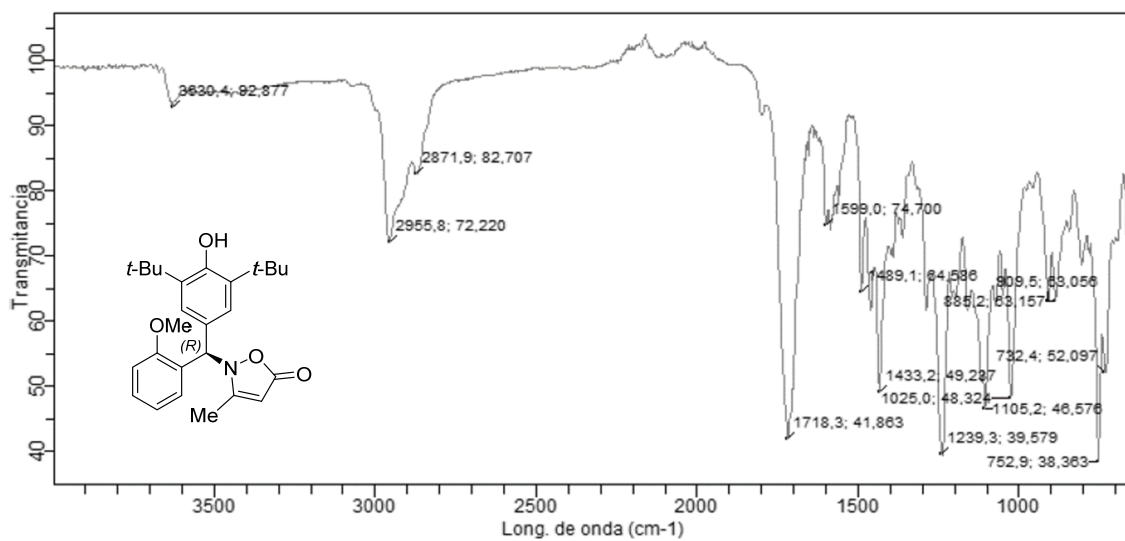
Retention Time	Area	Area Percent
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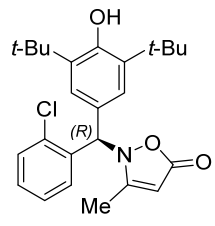
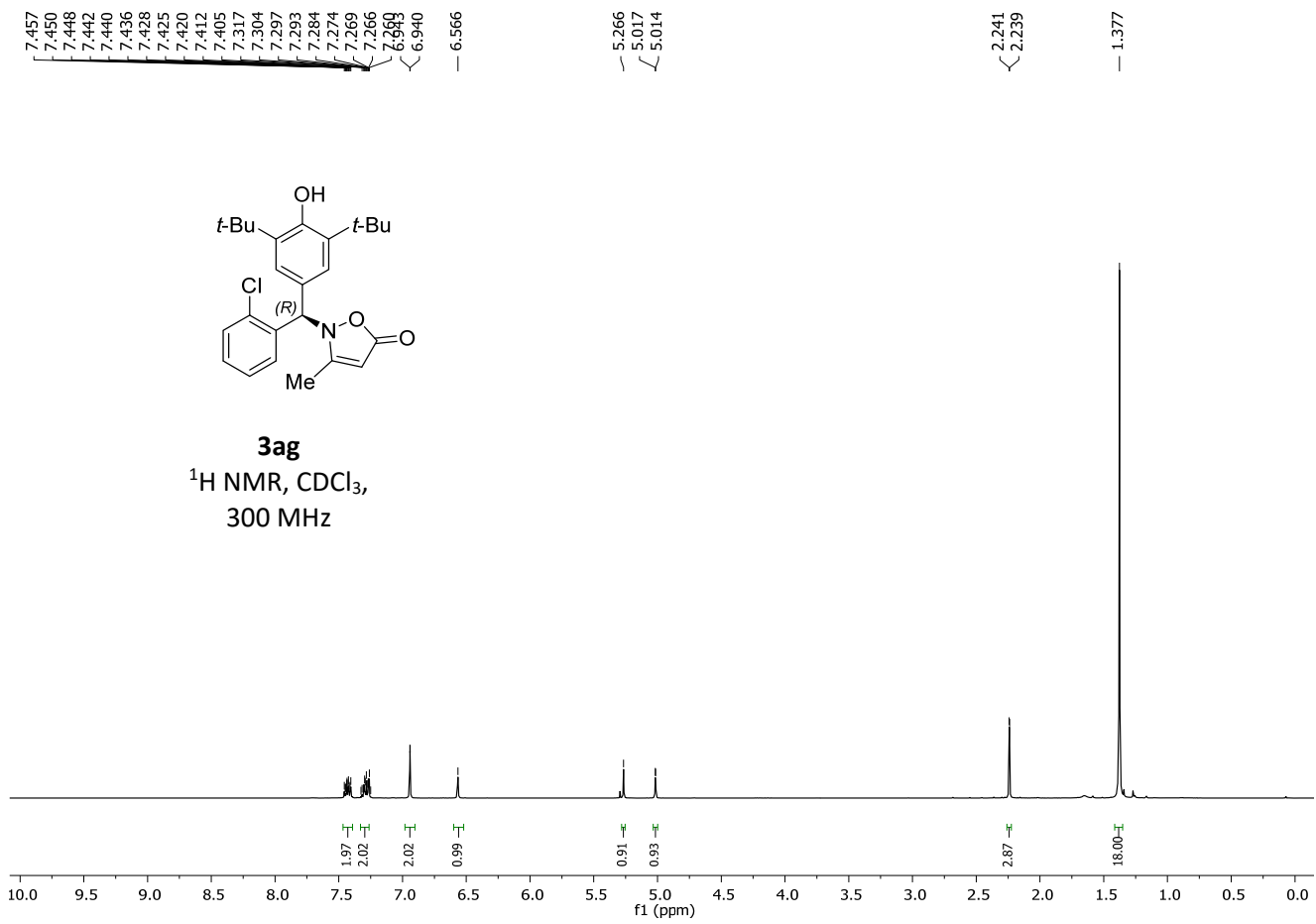


18: 270 nm, 4 nm

Results

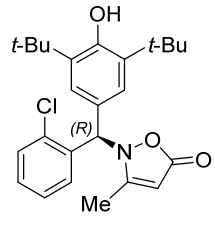
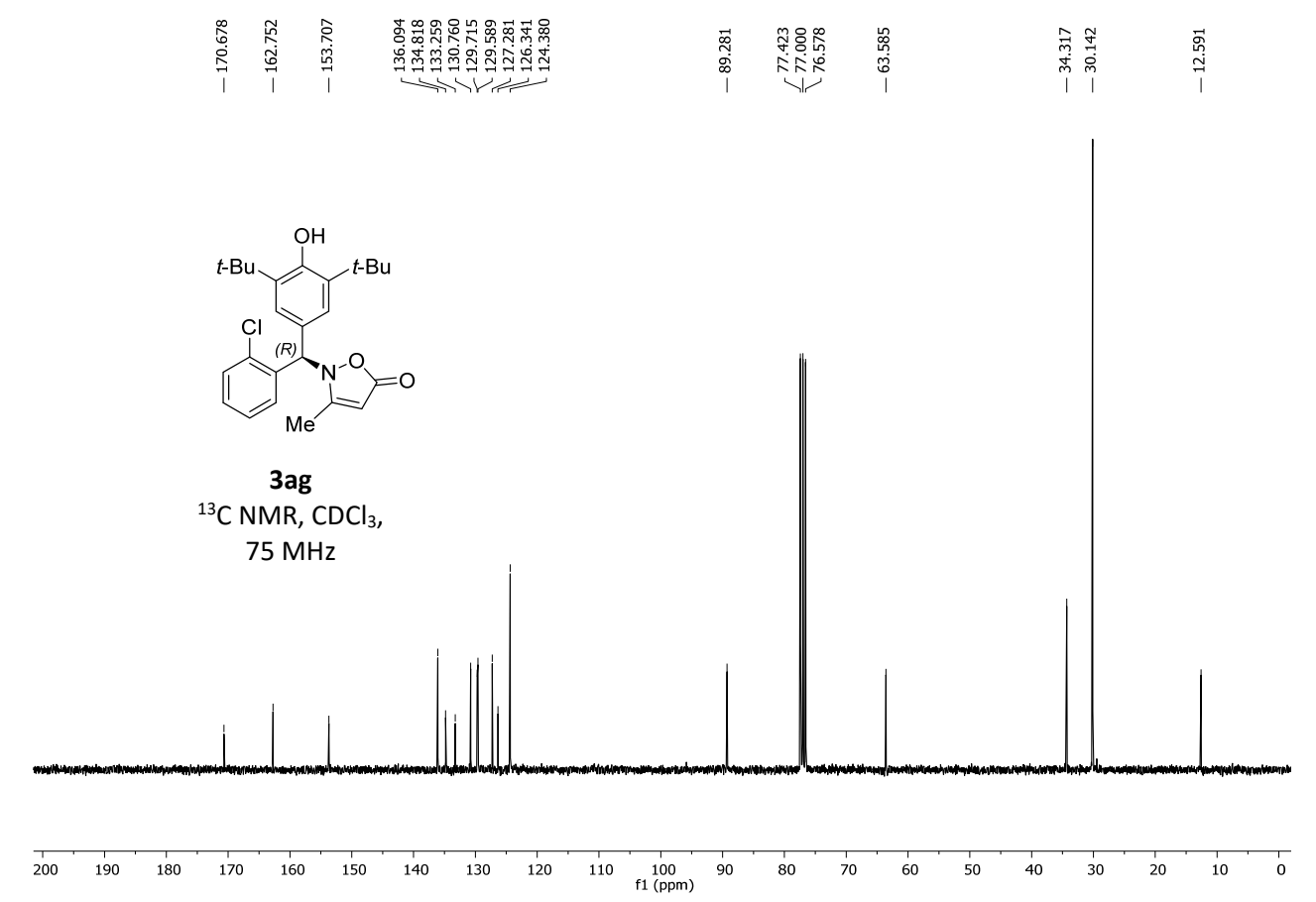
Retention Time	Area	Area Percent
16,51	24199330	26,862
19,66	65889351	73,138





3ag

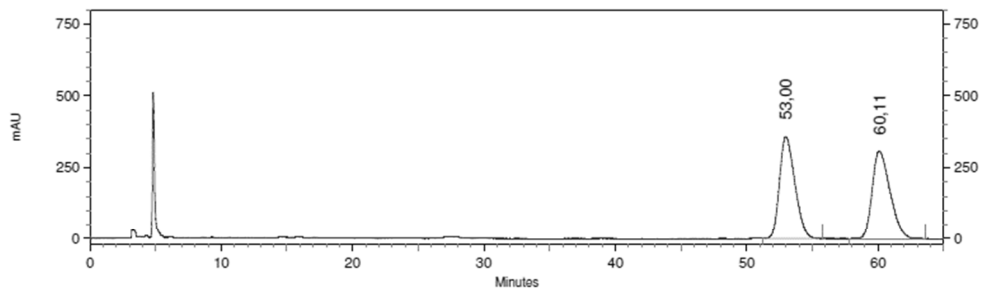
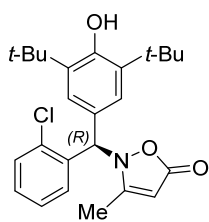
¹H NMR, CDCl₃, 300 MHz



3ag

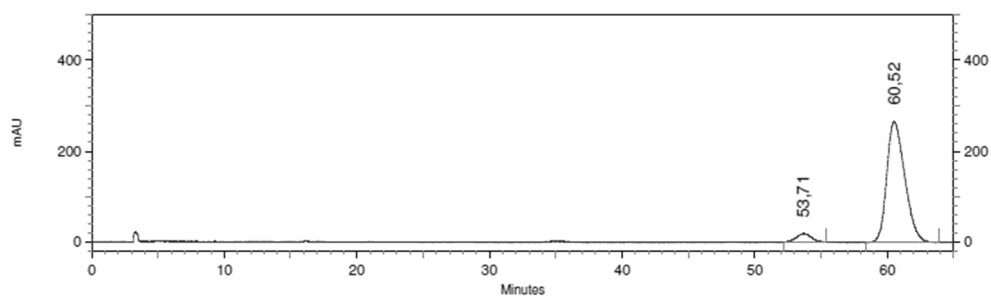
¹³C NMR, CDCl₃, 75 MHz

Compound 3ag



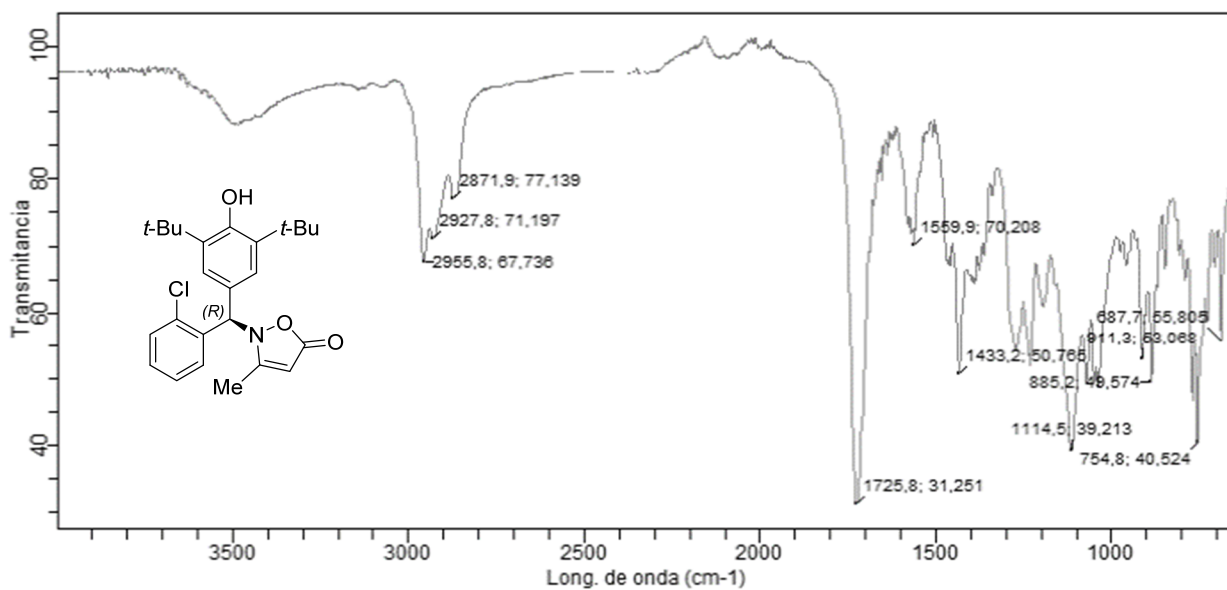
18: 270 nm, 4 nm
Results

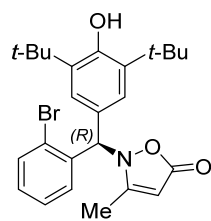
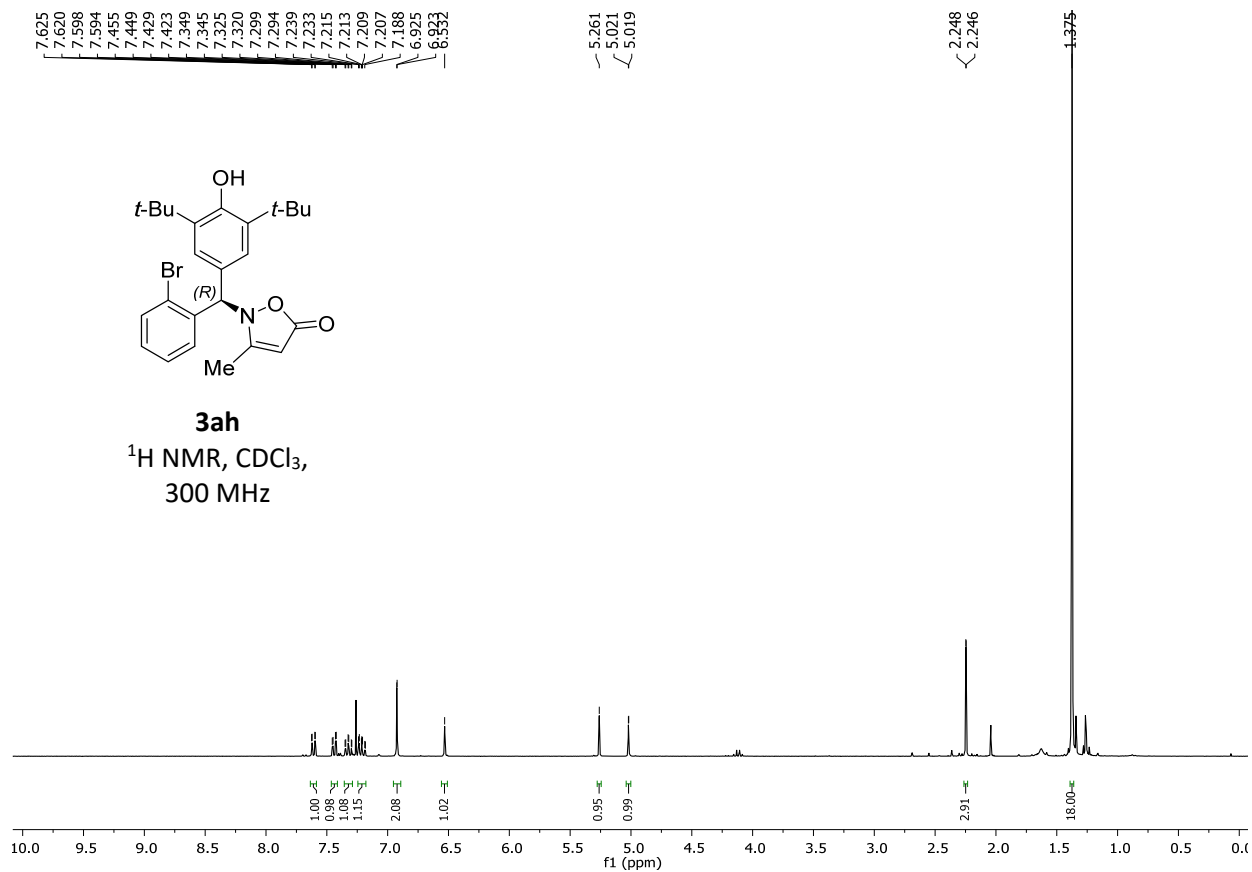
Retention Time	Area	Area Percent
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60,11	117497600	50,026



18: 270 nm, 4 nm
Results

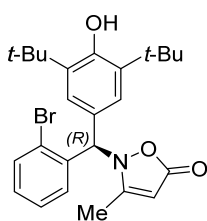
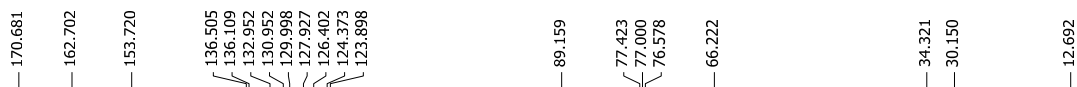
Retention Time	Area	Area Percent
53,71	5872684	5,482
60,52	101254910	94,518





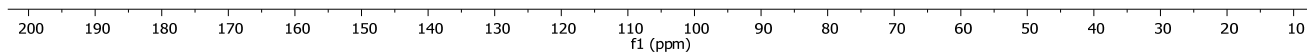
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¹H NMR, CDCl₃, 300 MHz

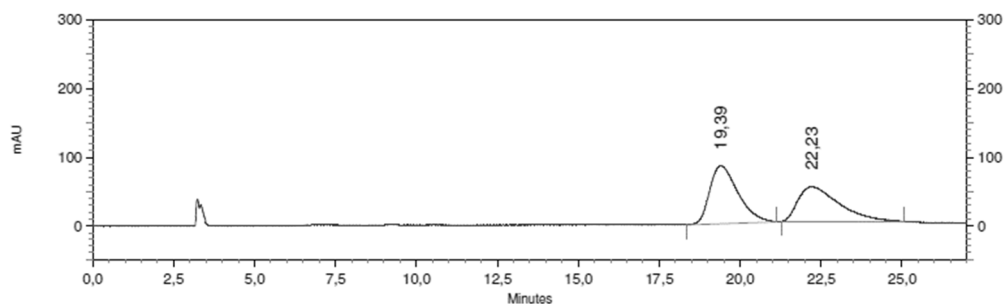
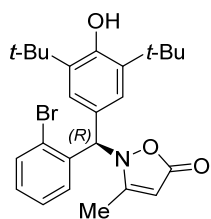


3ah

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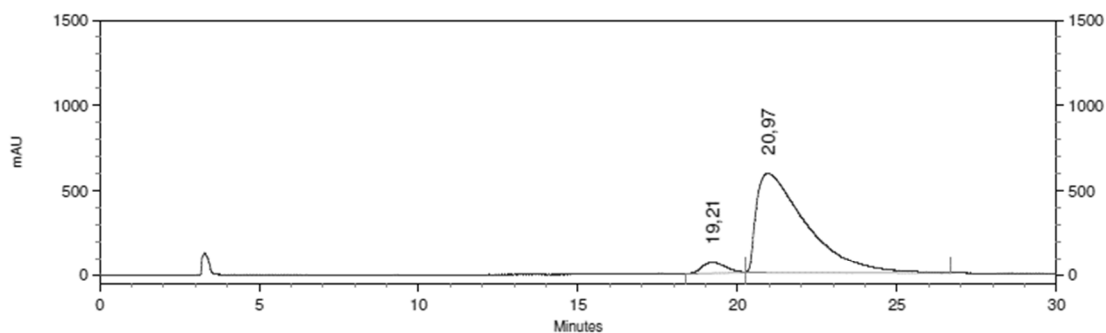
Compound 3ah



13: 270 nm, 4 nm

Results

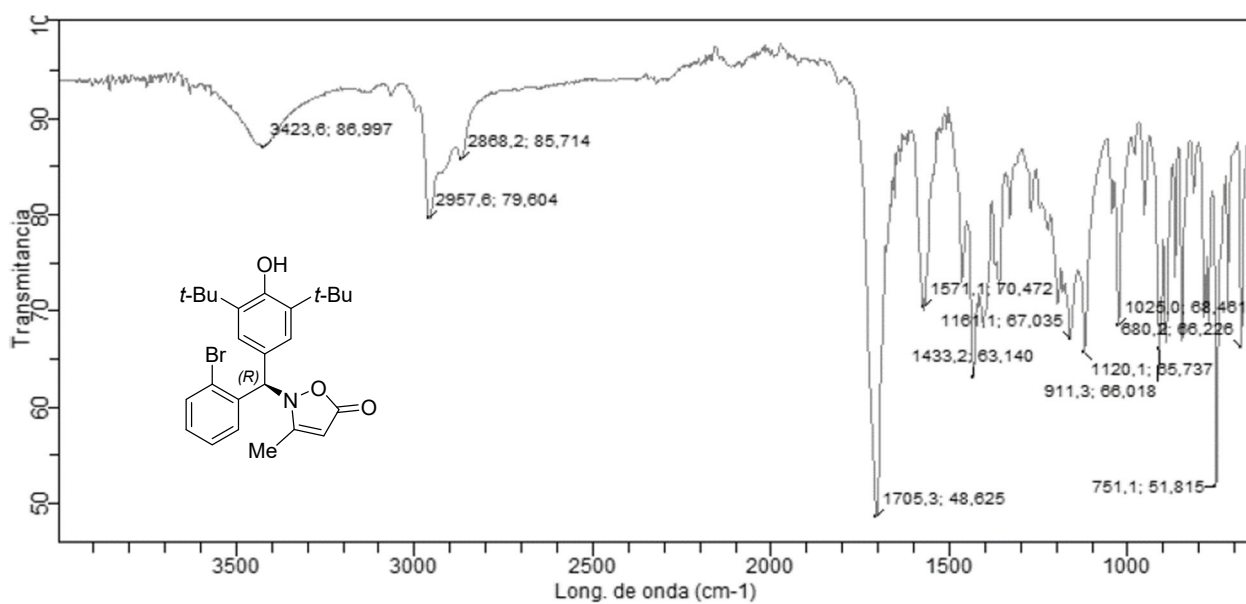
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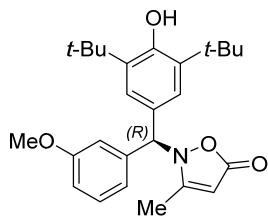


13: 270 nm, 4 nm

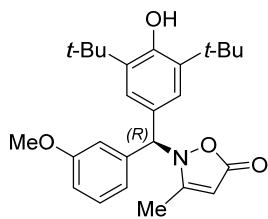
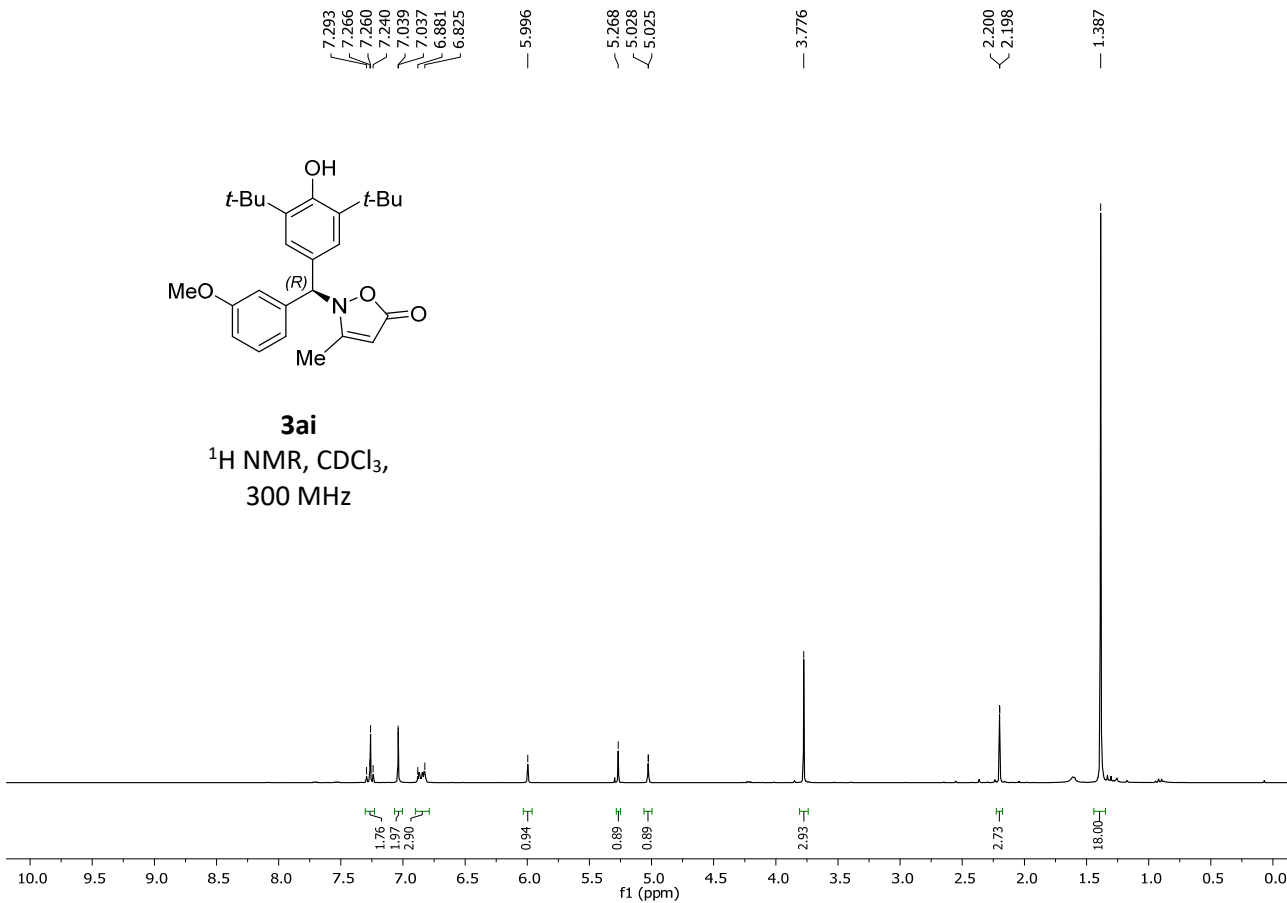
Results

Retention Time	Area	Area Percent
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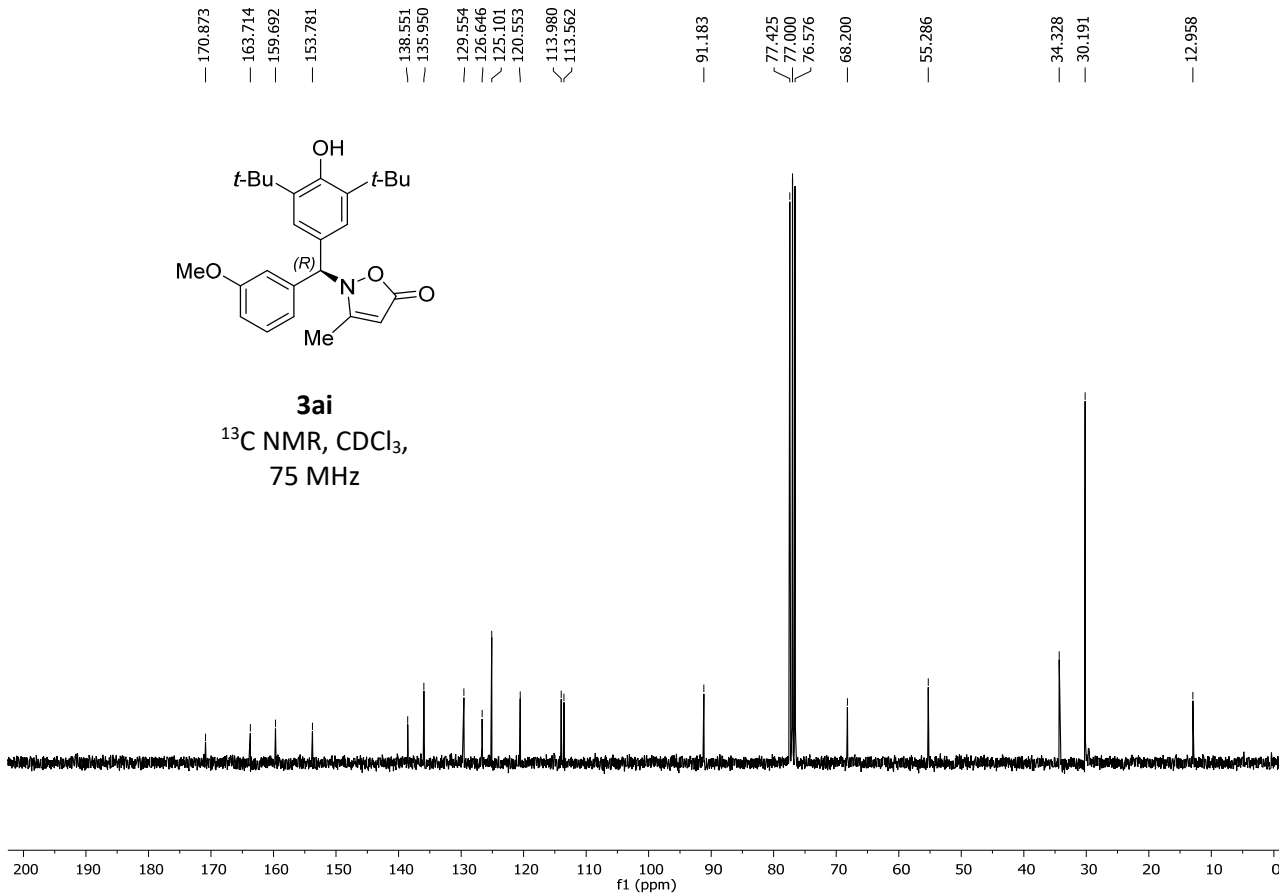




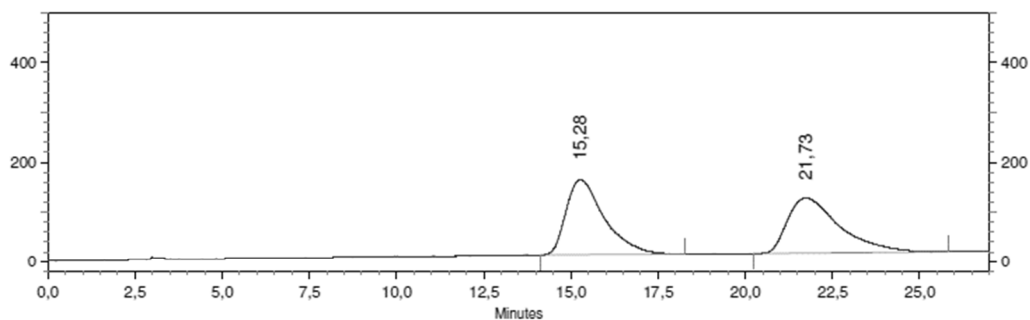
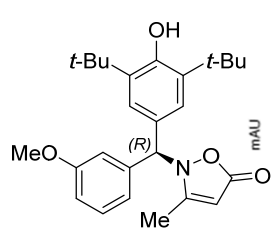
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 300 MHz



3ai
 ^{13}C NMR, CDCl_3 ,
 75 MHz

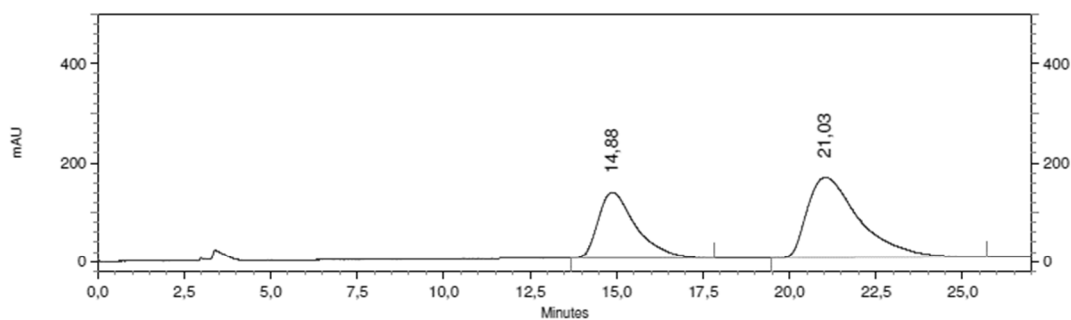


Compound 3ai



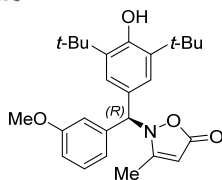
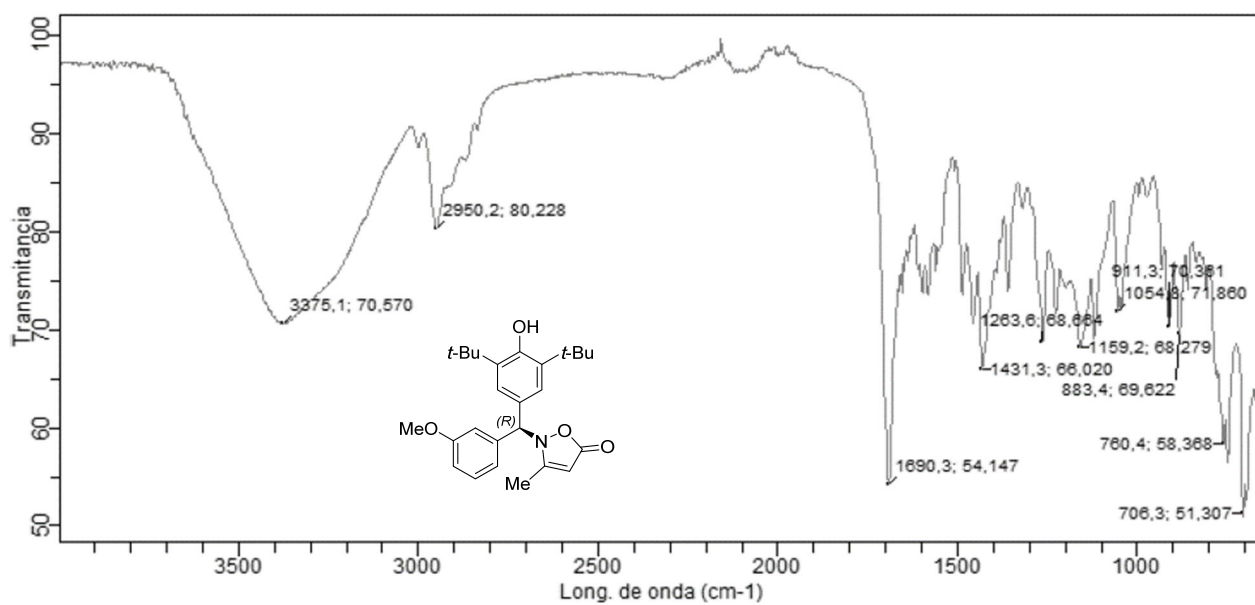
19: 270 nm, 4 nm
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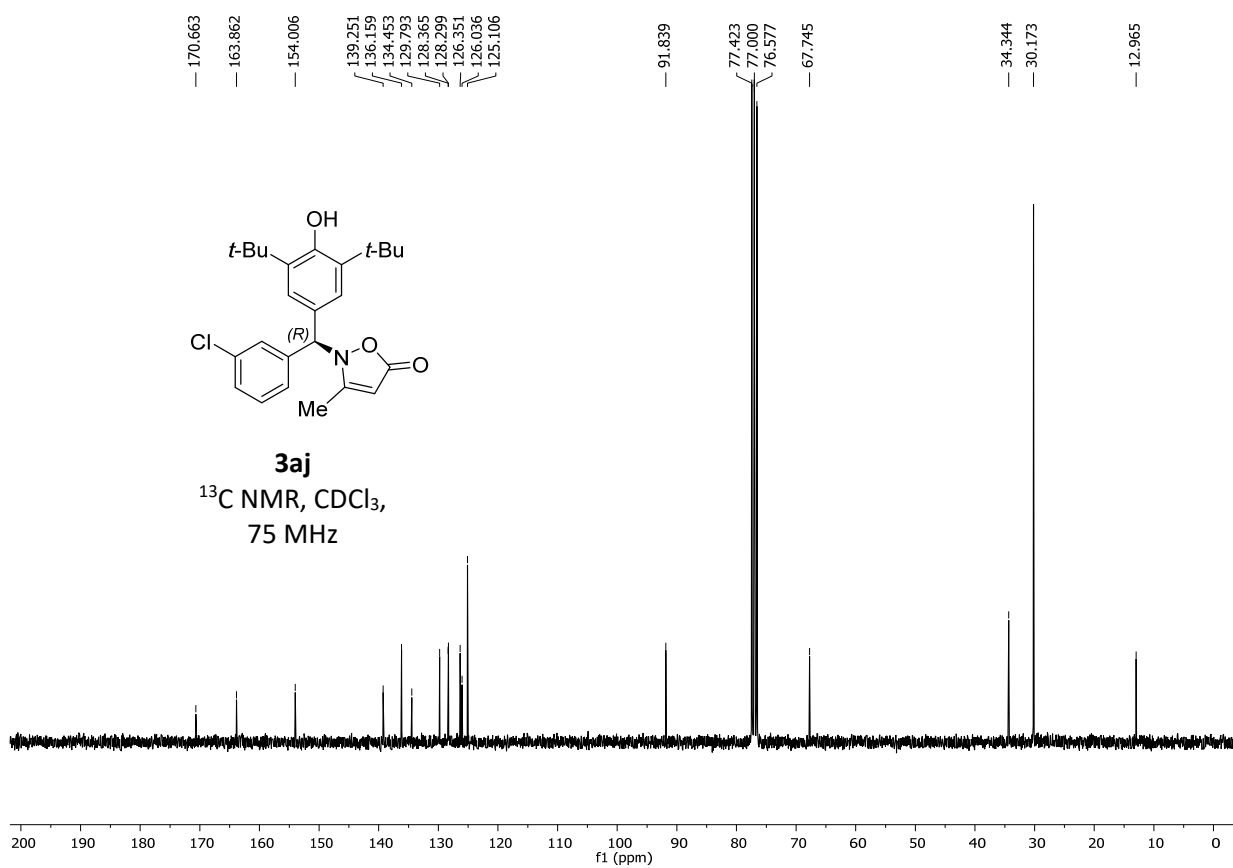
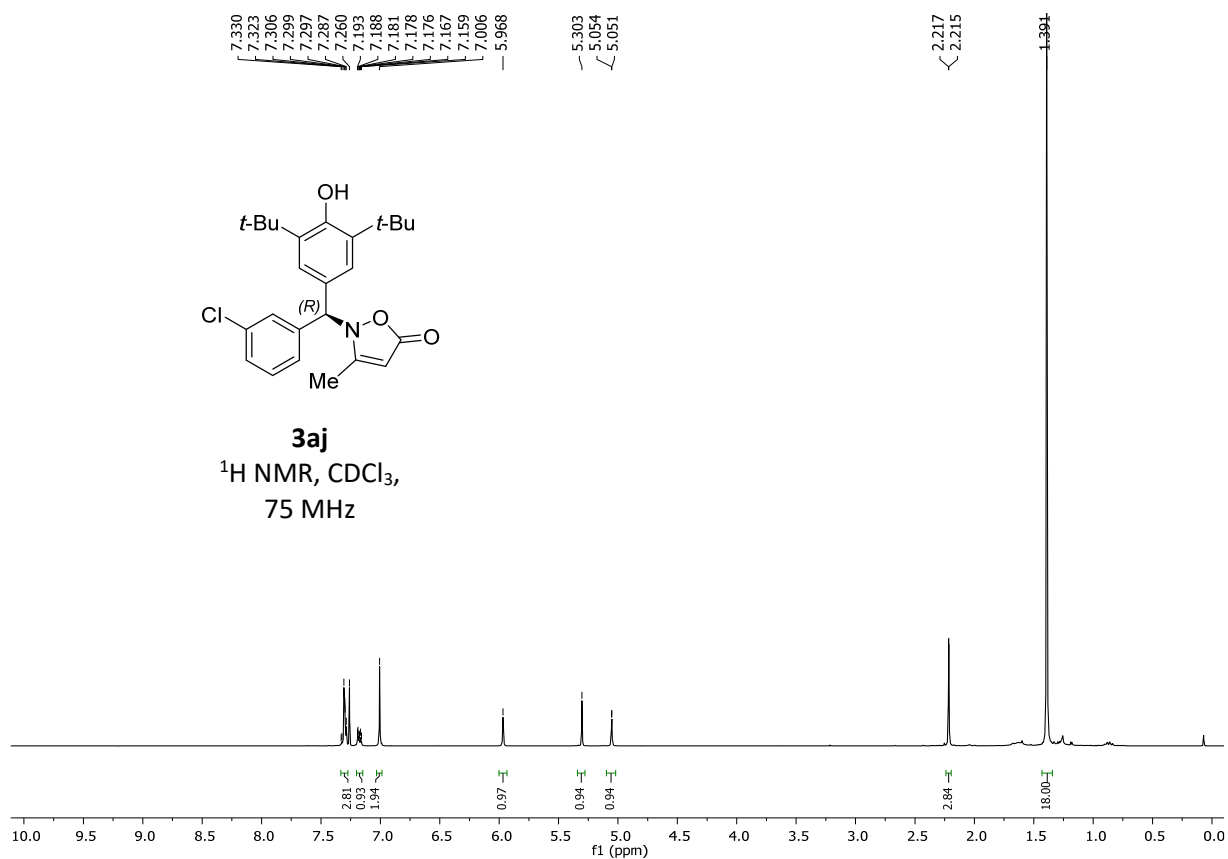
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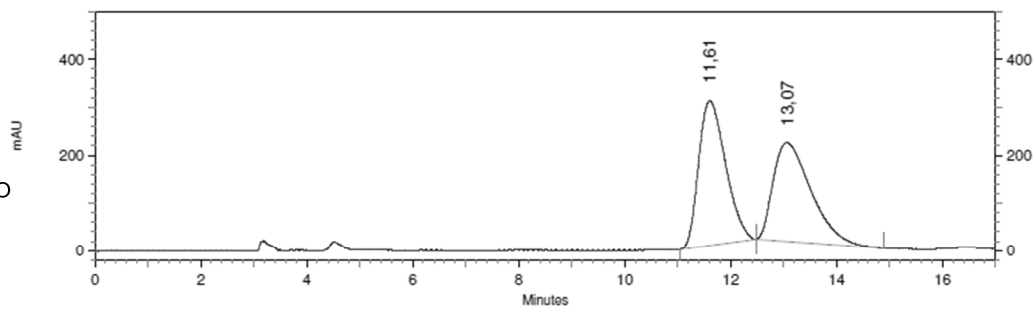
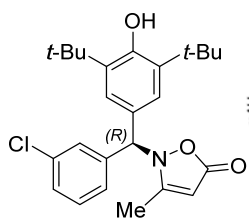
19: 270 nm, 4 nm
Results

Retention Time	Area	Area Percent
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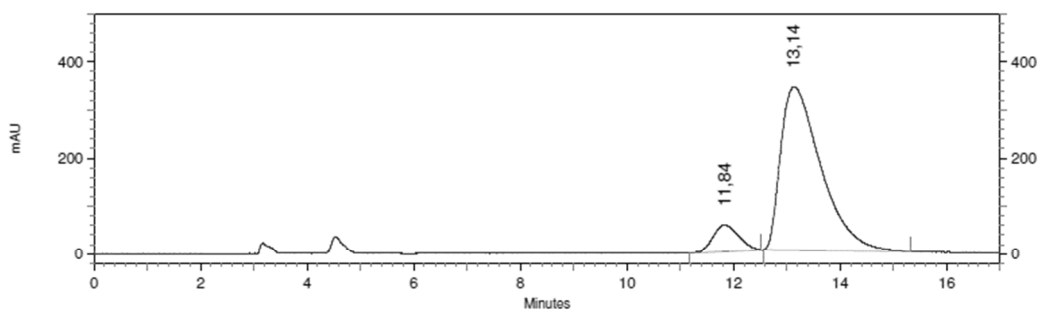
Compound 3aj



18: 270 nm, 4 nm

Results

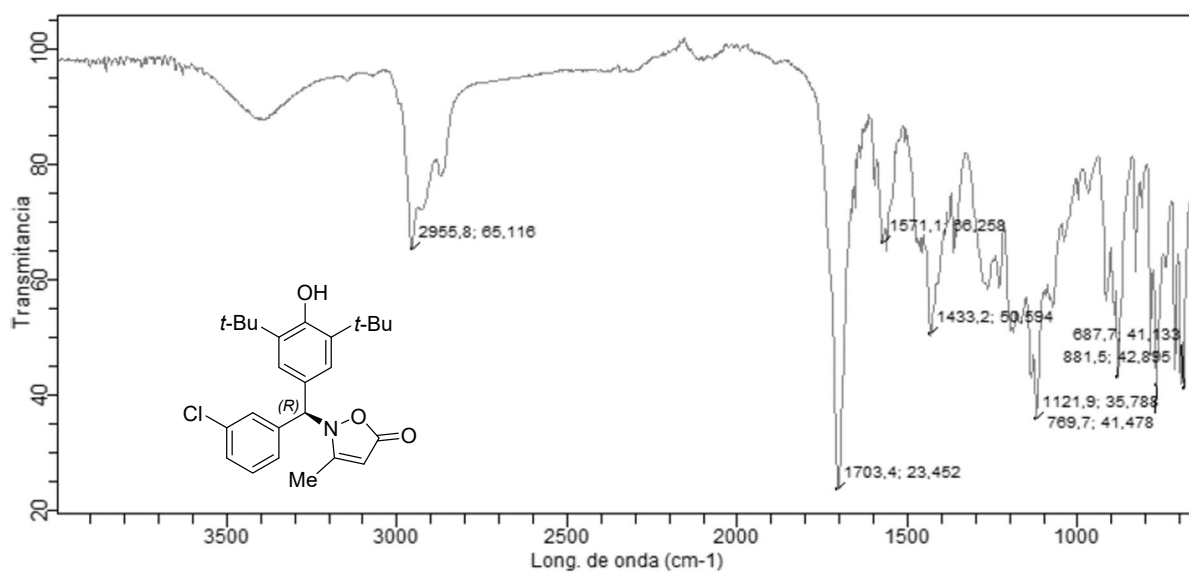
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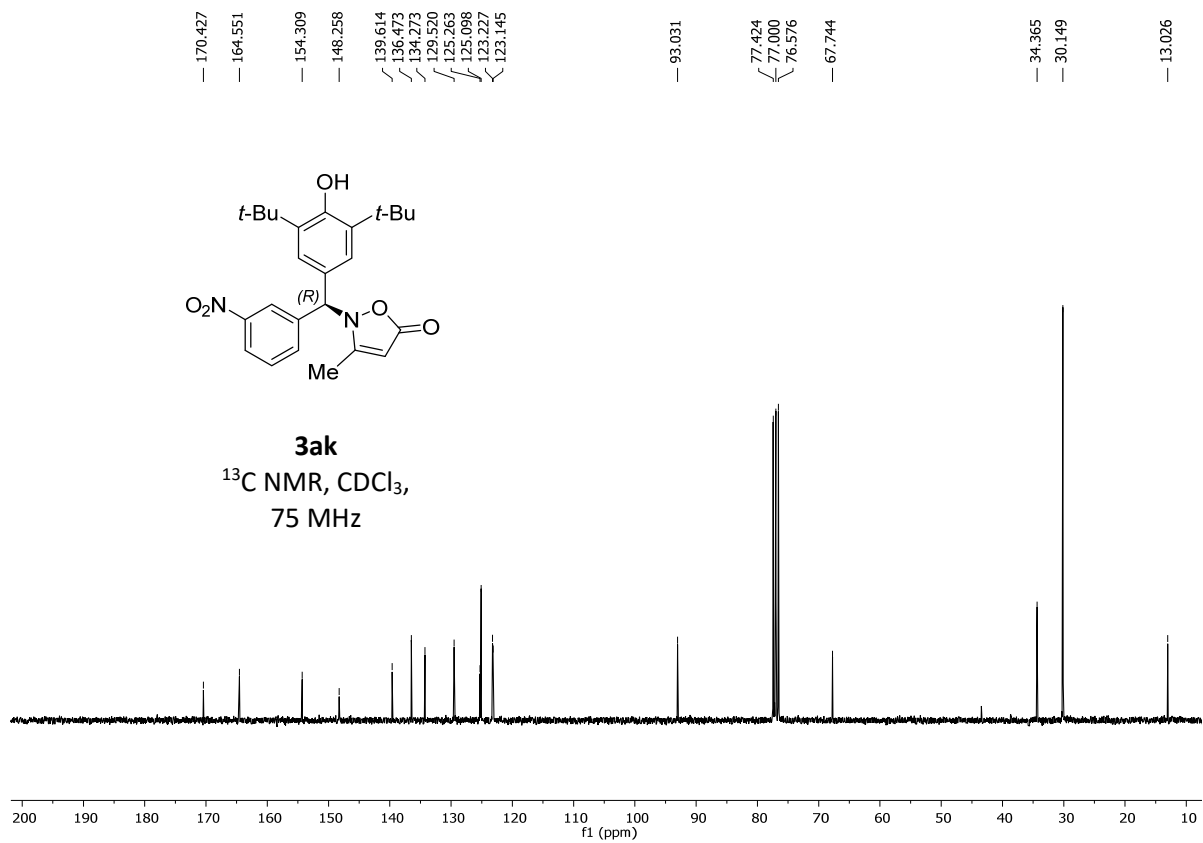
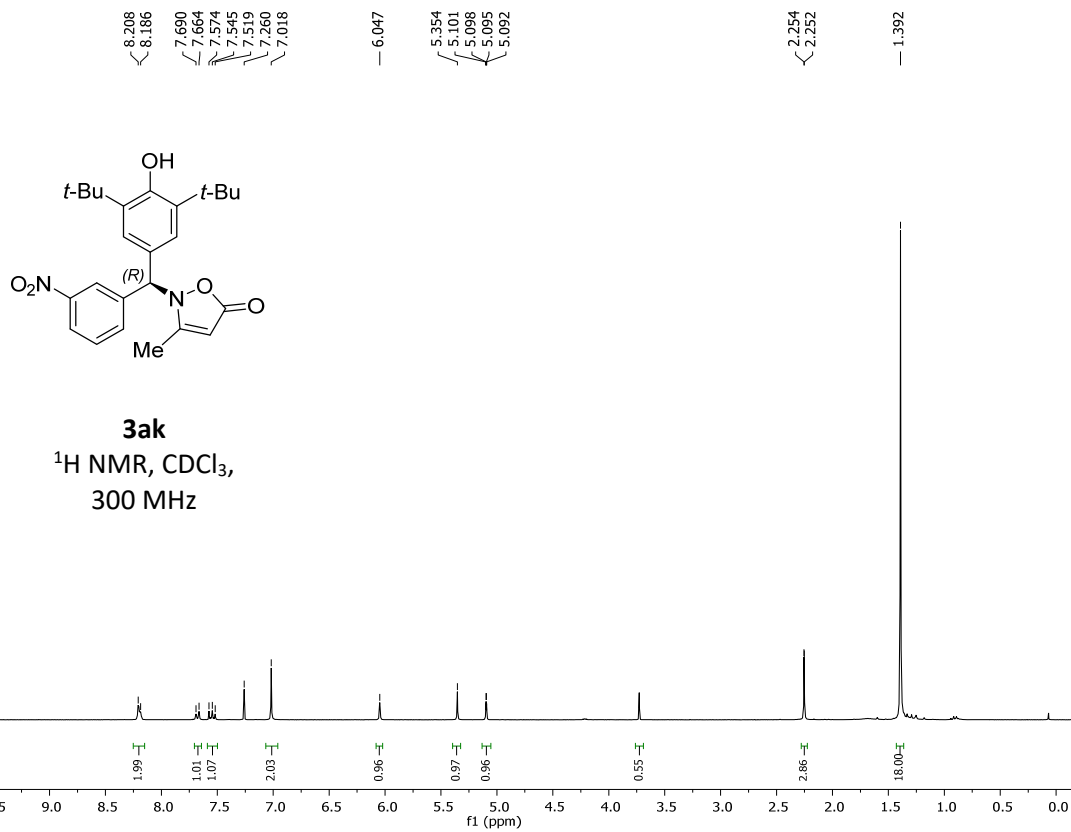


18: 270 nm, 4 nm

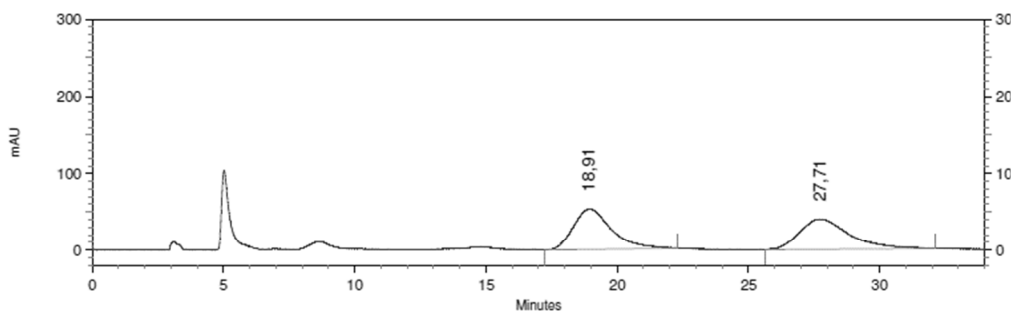
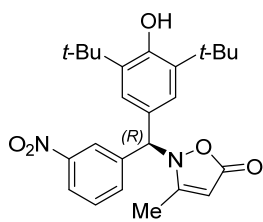
Results

Retention Time	Area	Area Percent
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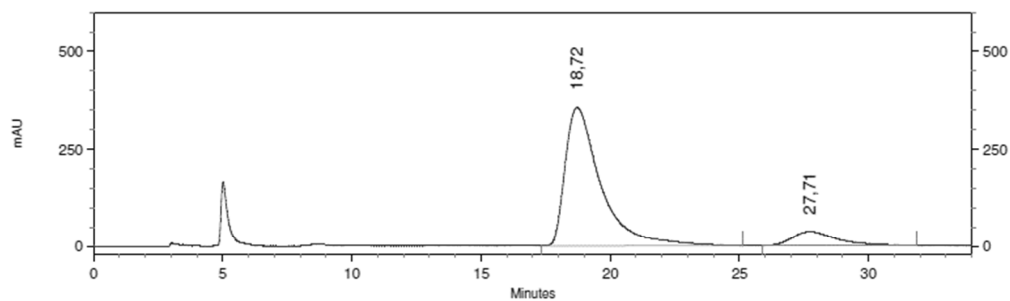


Compound 3ak



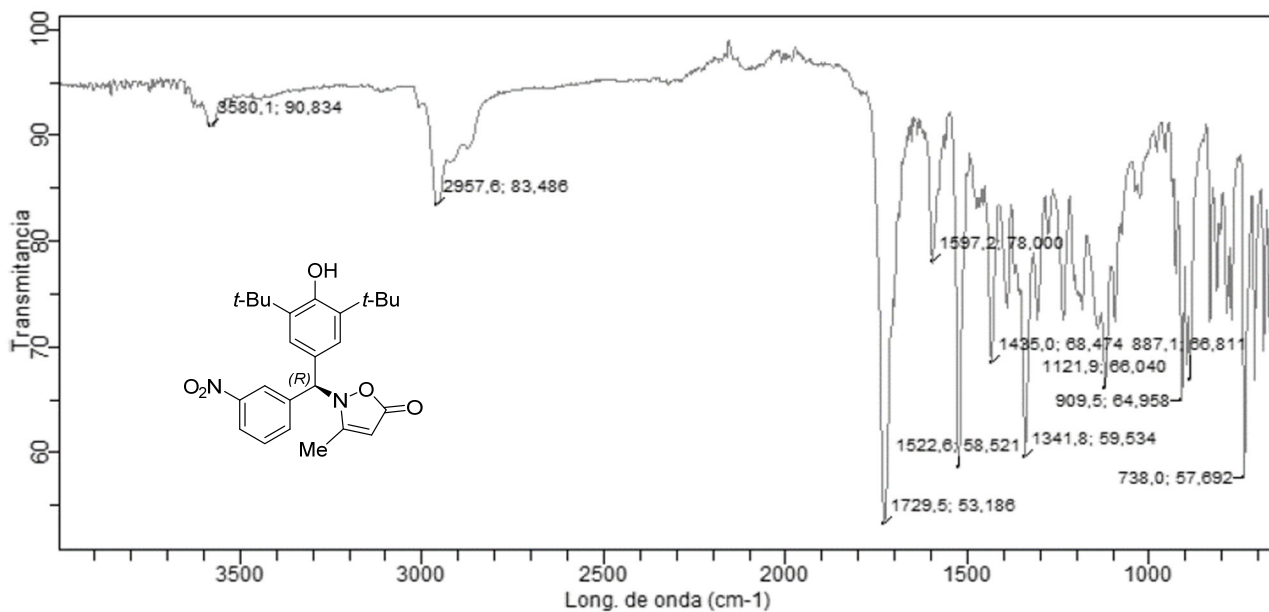
18: 270 nm, 4 nm
Results

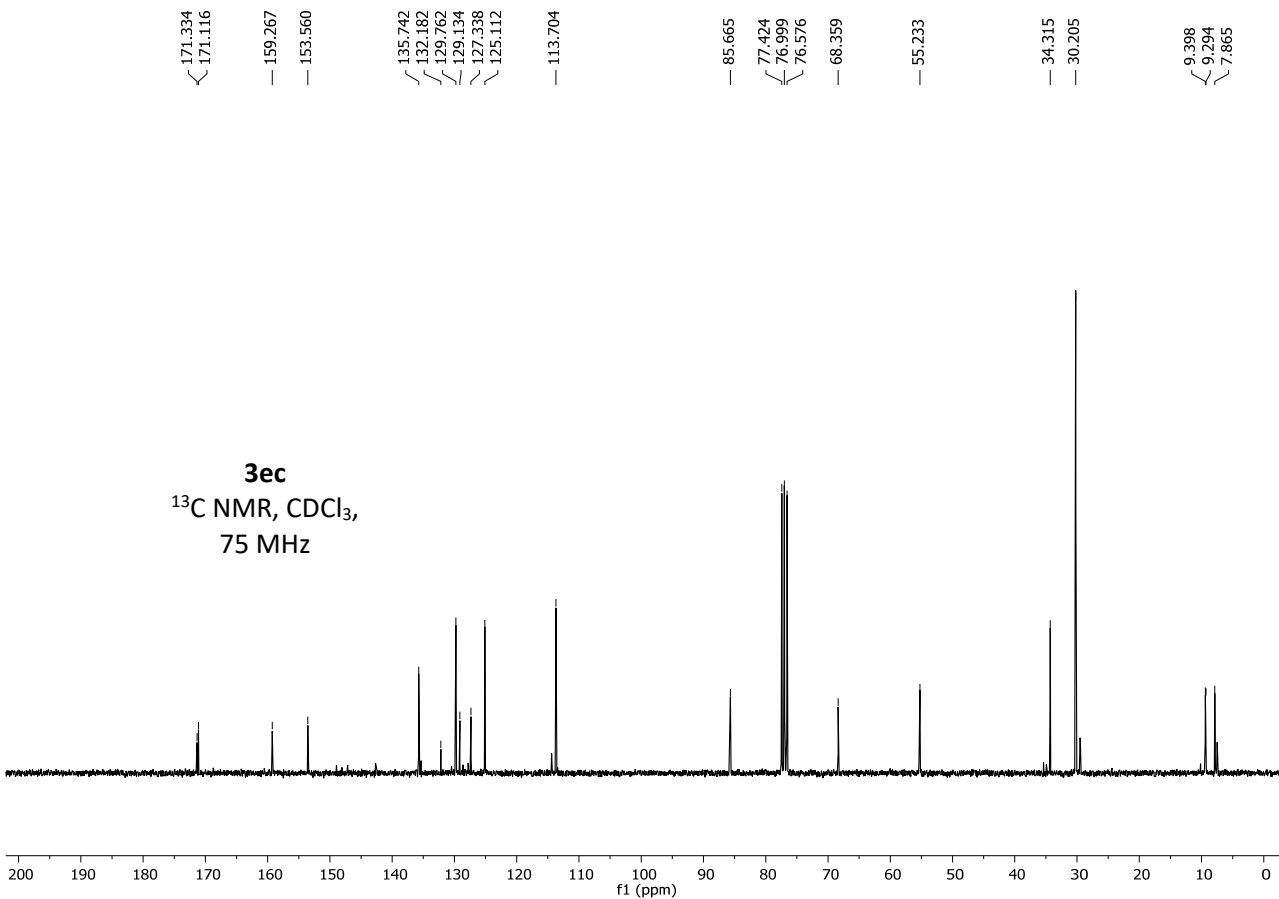
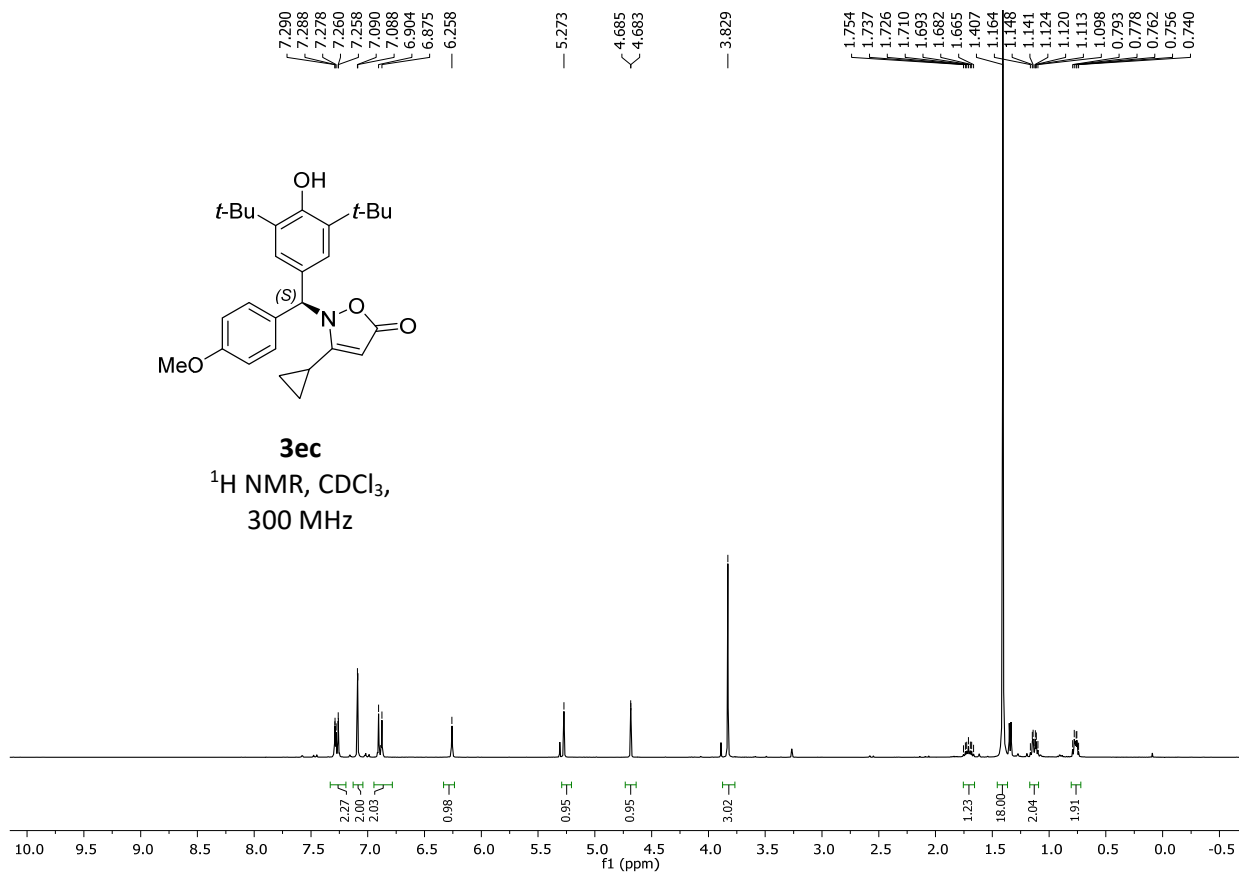
Retention Time	Area	Area Percent
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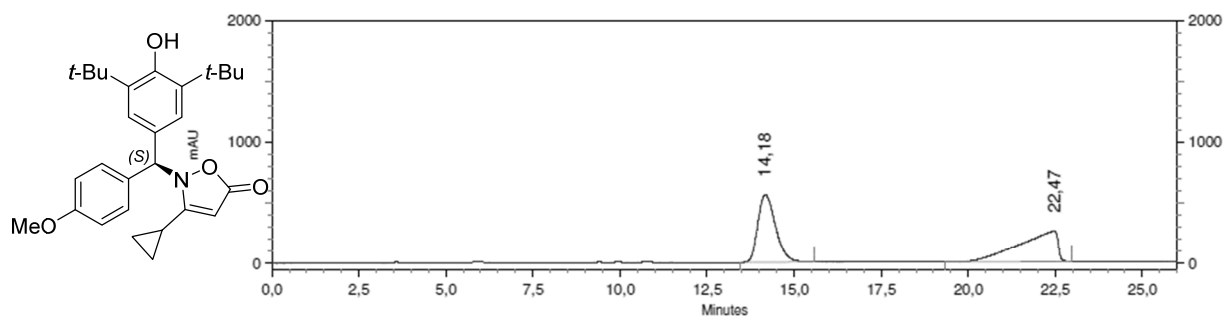
13: 270 nm, 4 nm
Results

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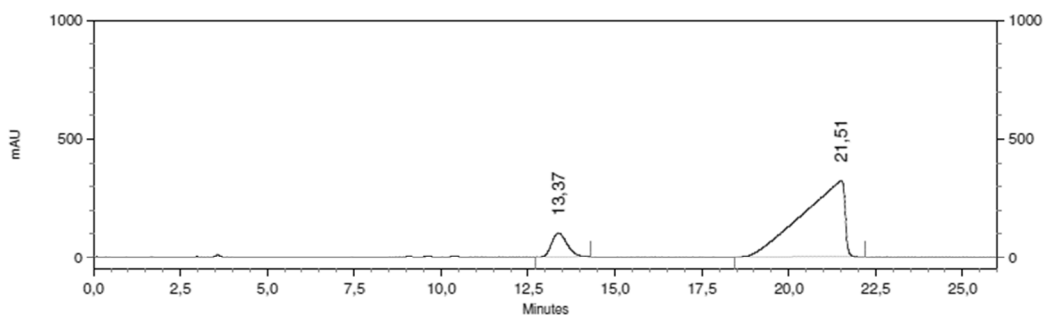


Compound 3ec



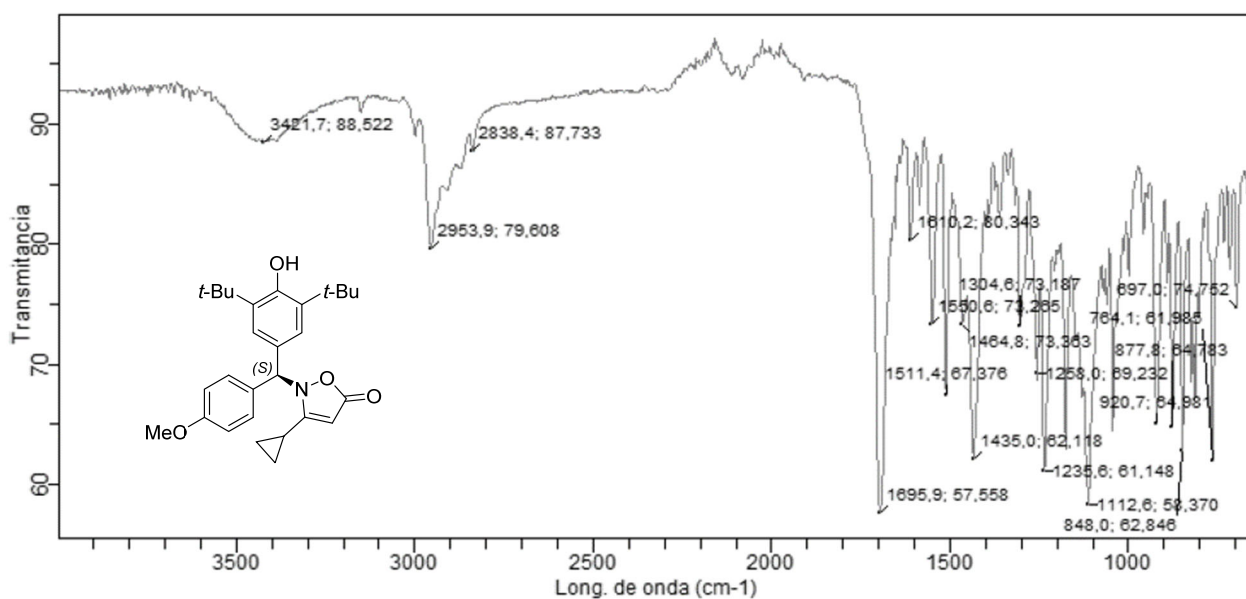
18: 270 nm, 4 nm
Results

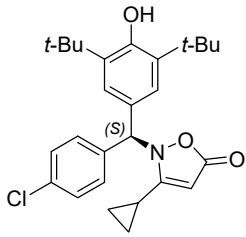
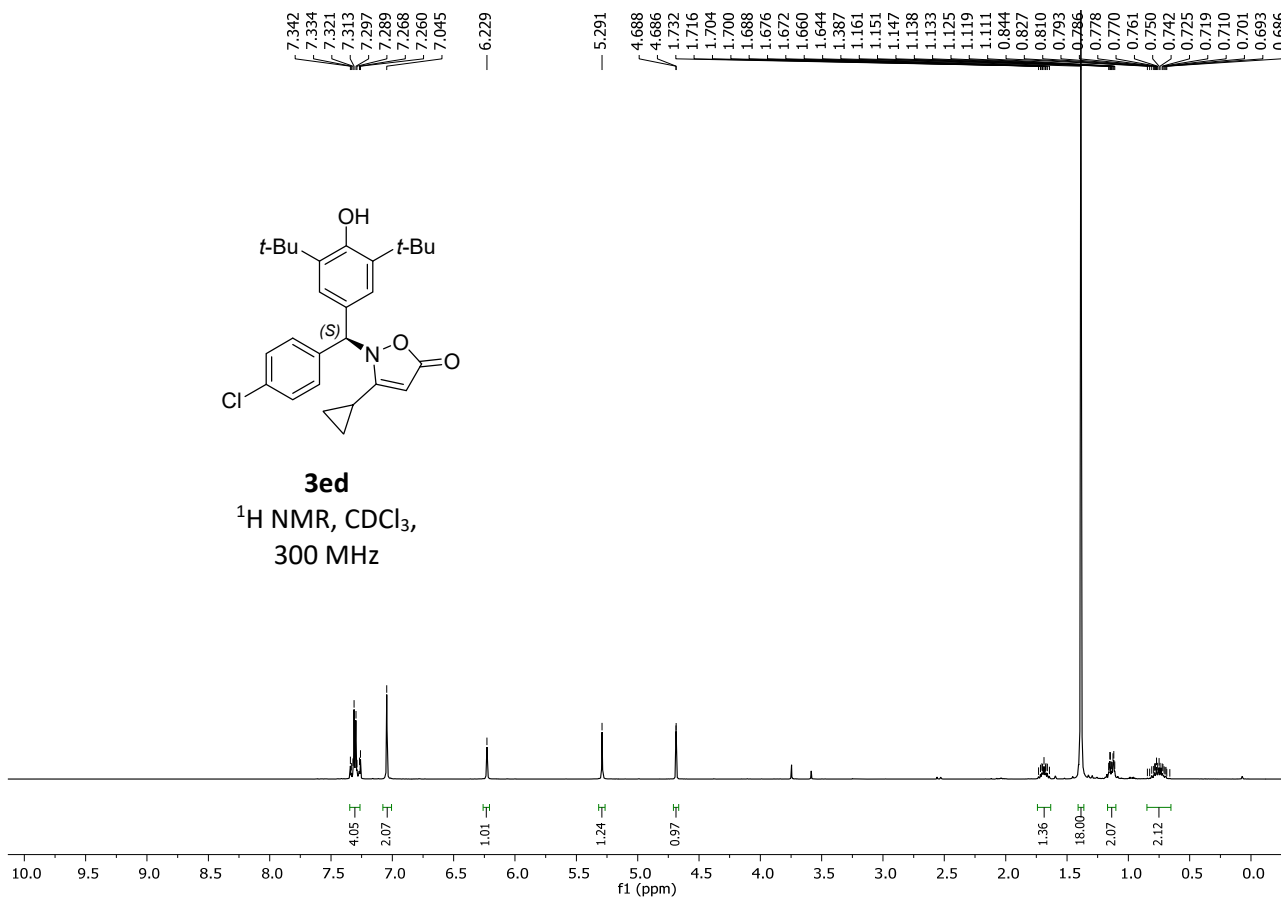
Retention Time	Area	Area Percent
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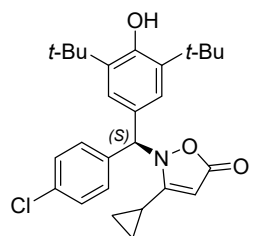
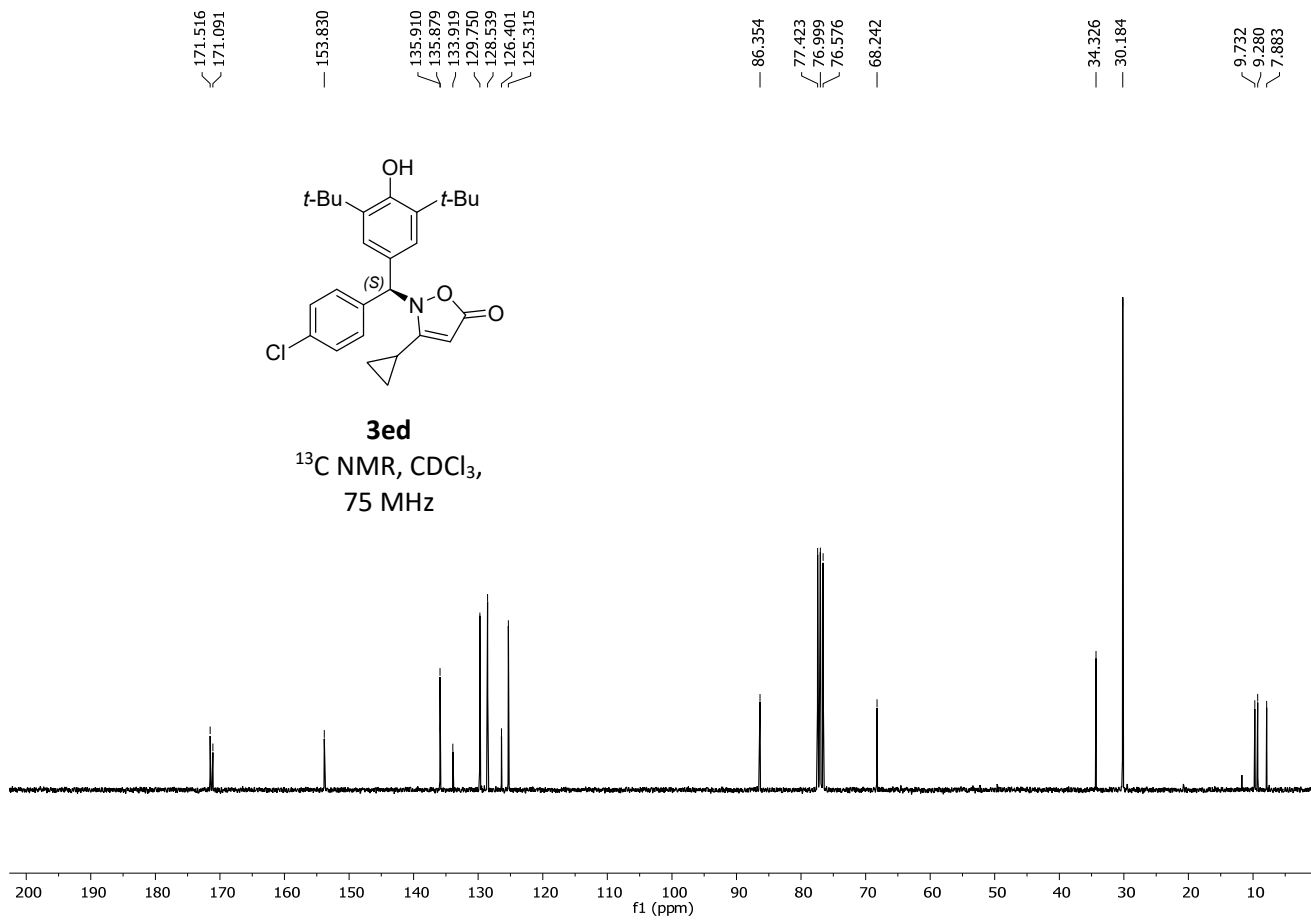
18: 270 nm, 4 nm
Results

Retention Time	Area	Area Percent
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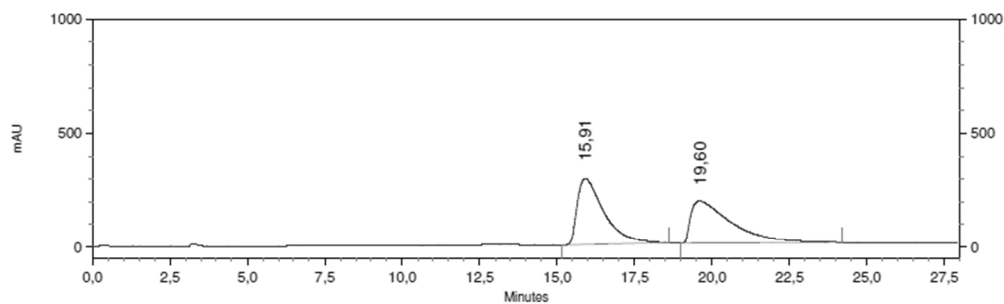
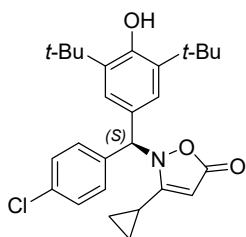


3ed
¹H NMR, CDCl₃, 300 MHz



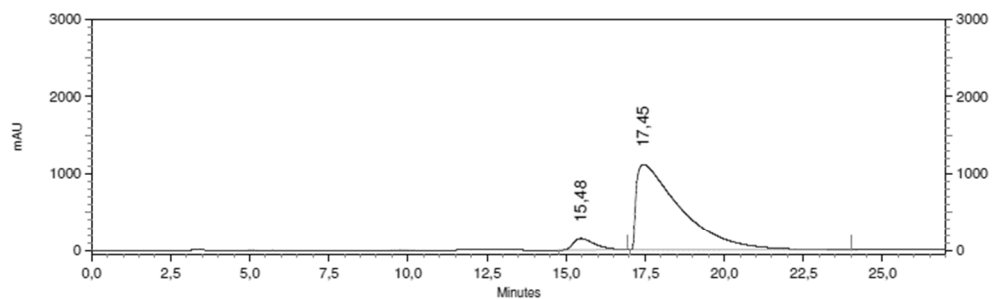
3ed
¹³C NMR, CDCl₃, 75 MHz

Compound 3ed



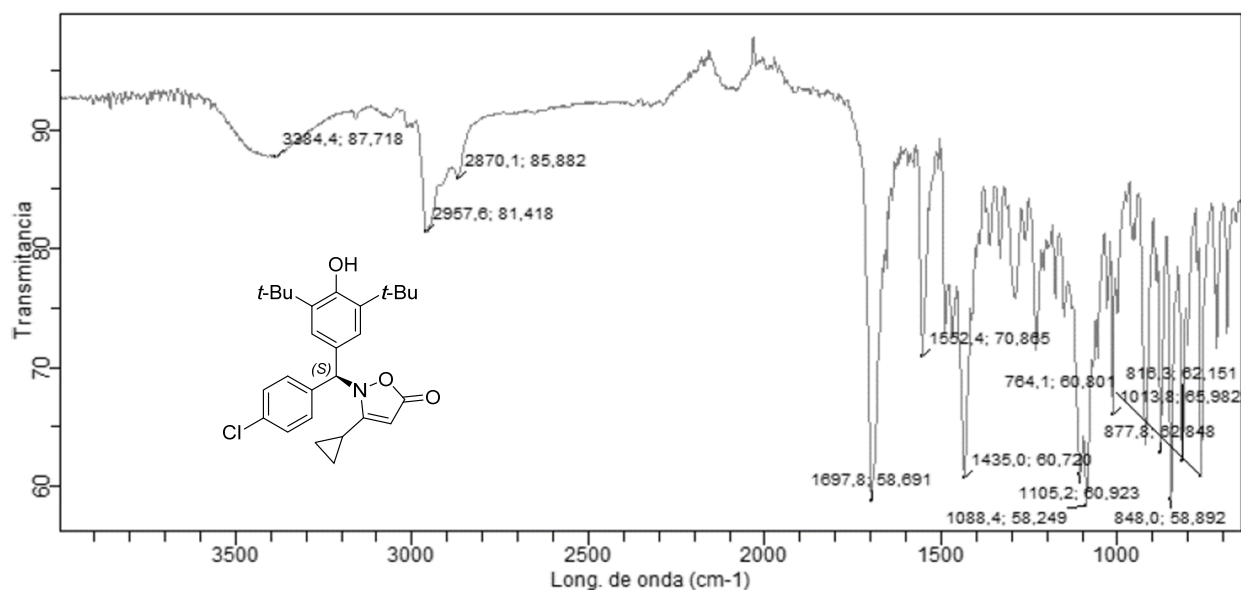
18: 270 nm, 4 nm
Results

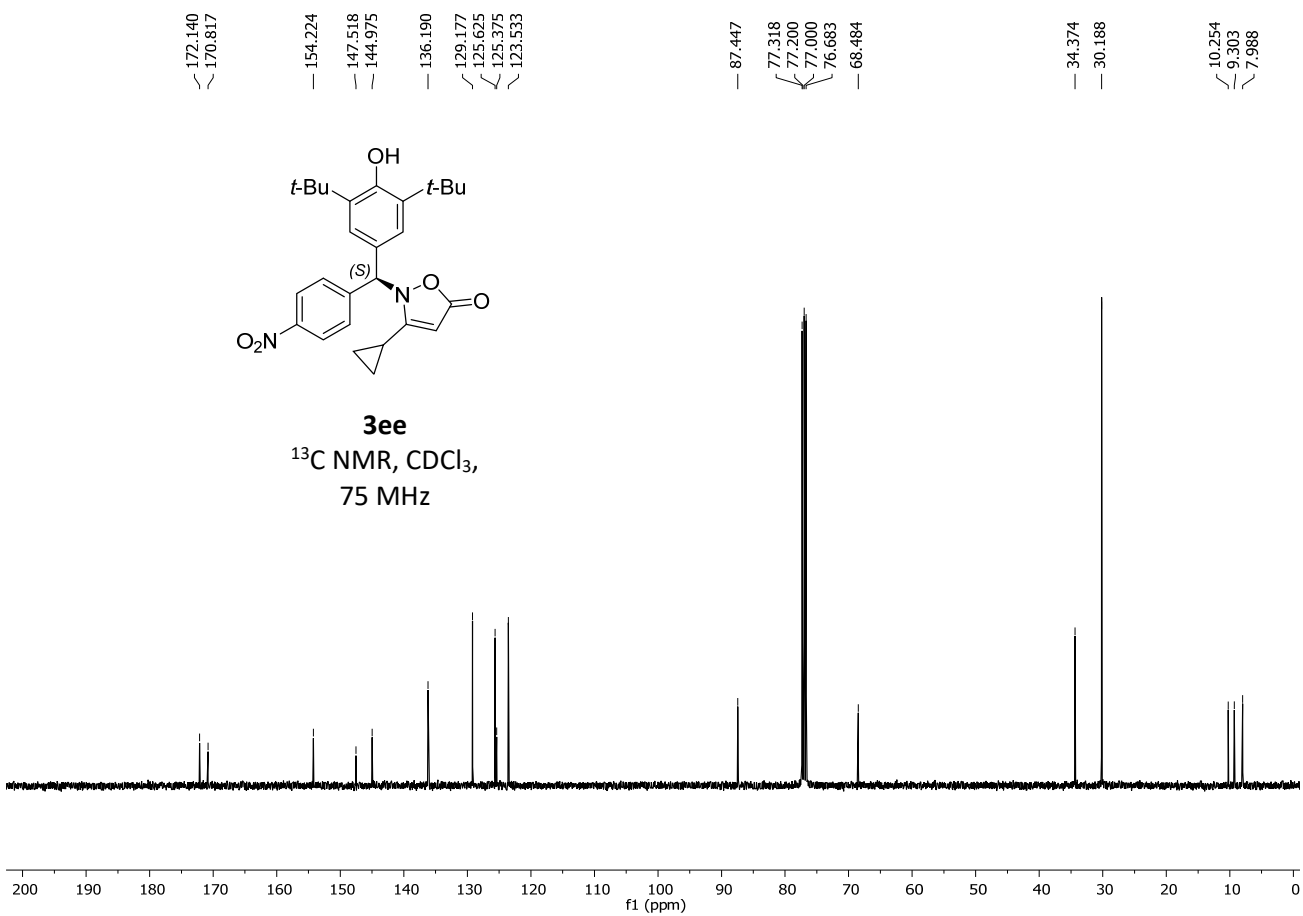
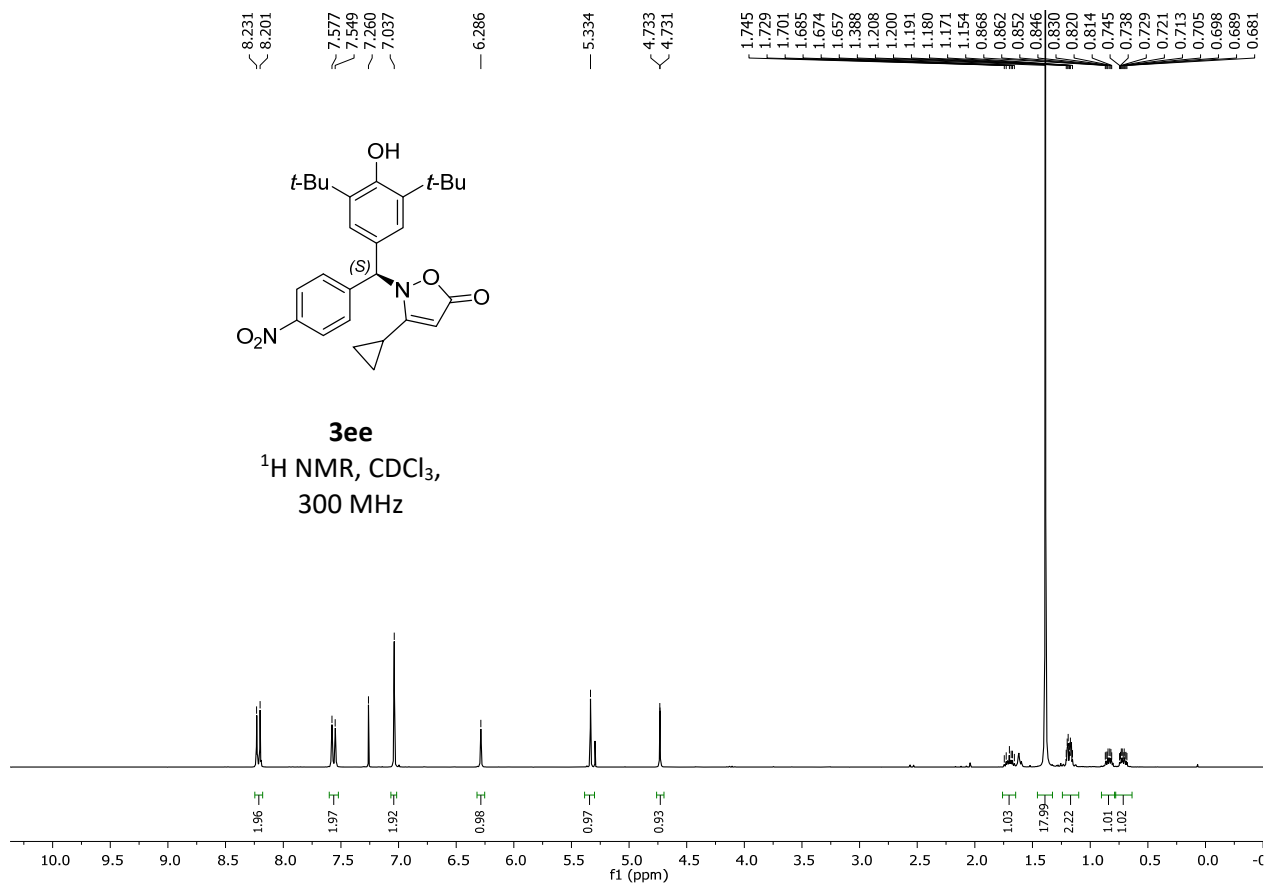
Retention Time	Area	Area Percent
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19,60	68296814	49,190



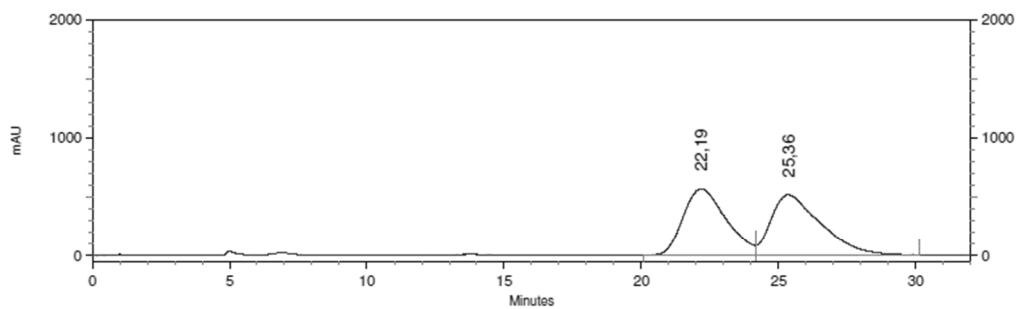
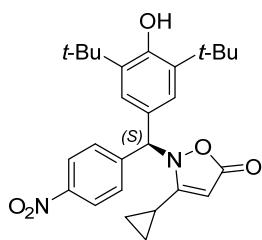
18: 270 nm, 4 nm
Results

Retention Time	Area	Area Percent
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17,45	437309476	93,963



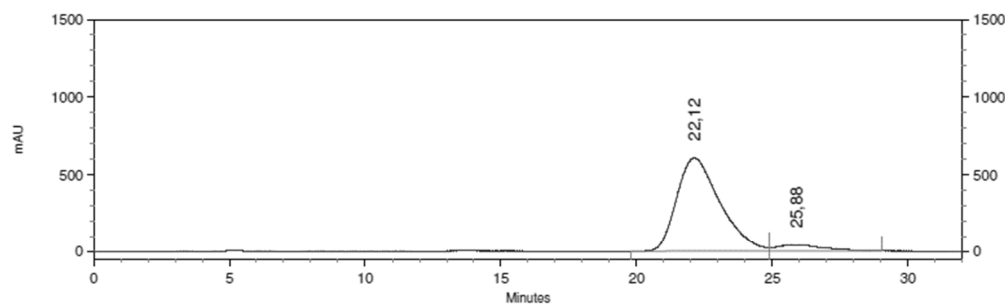


Compound 3ee



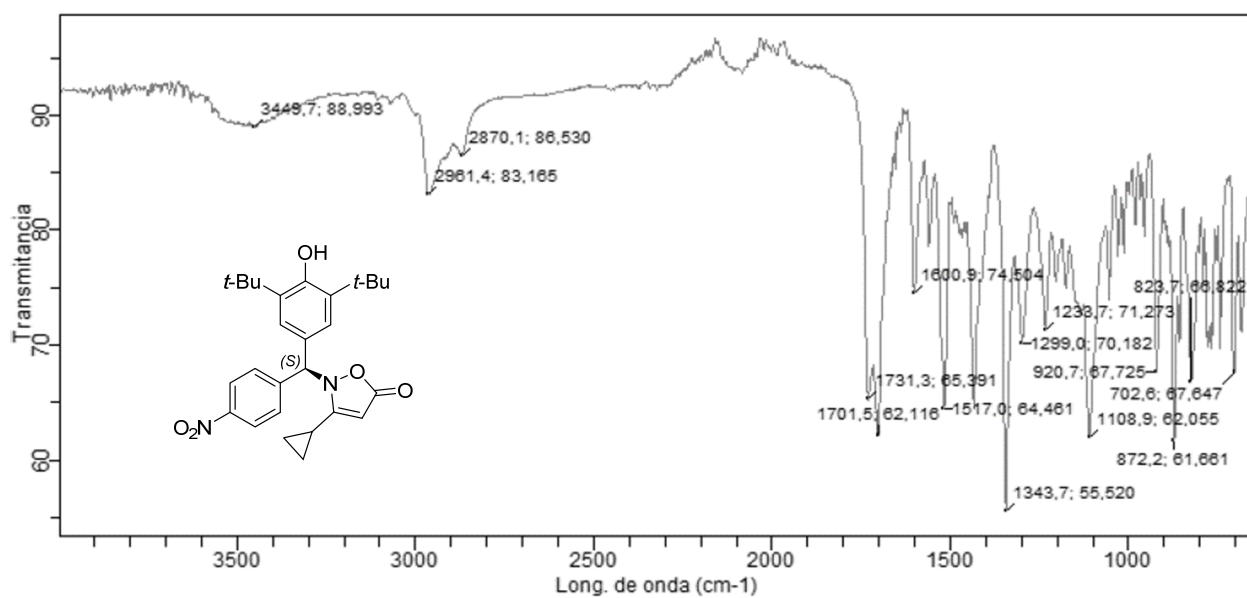
19: 270 nm, 4 nm
Results

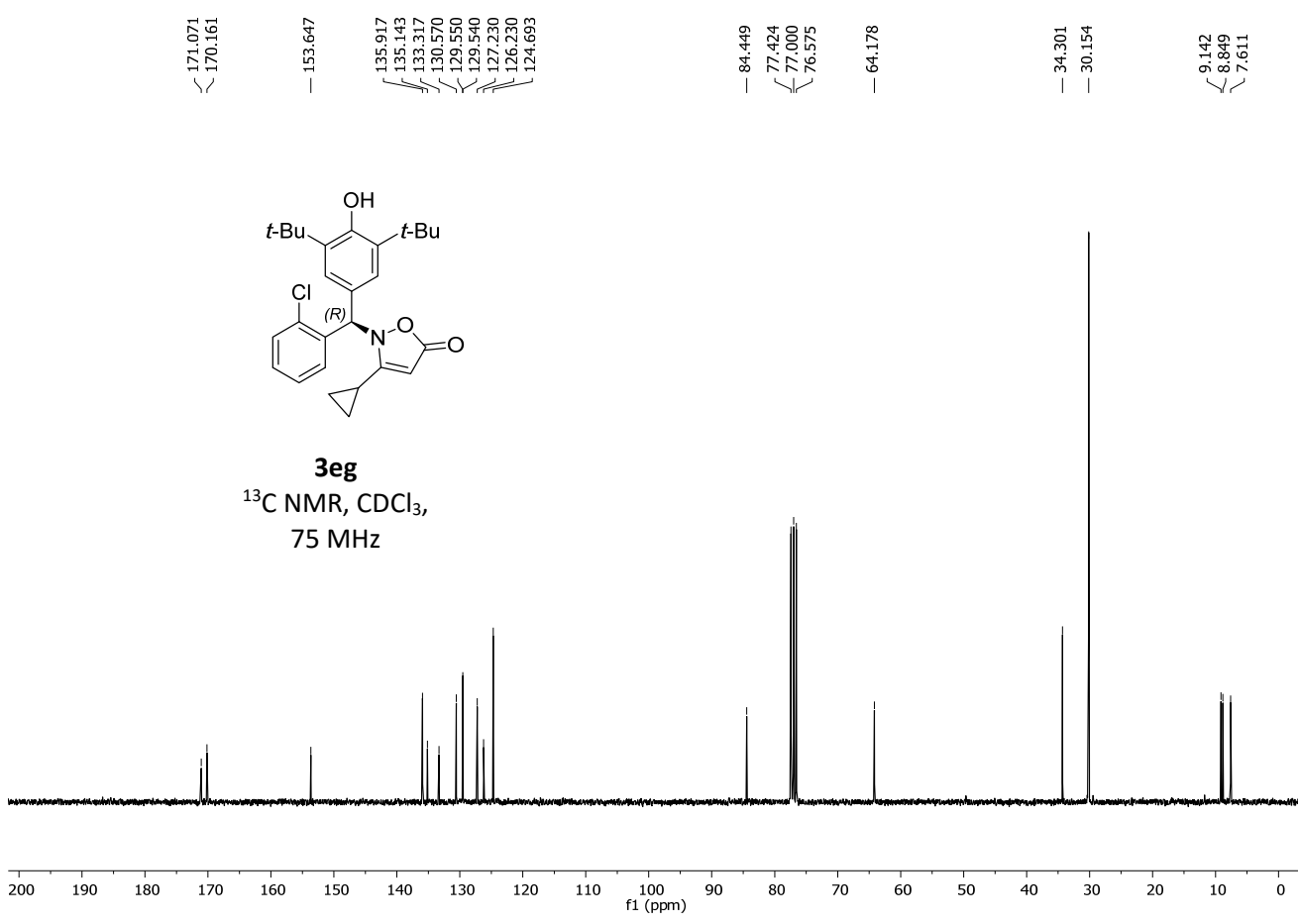
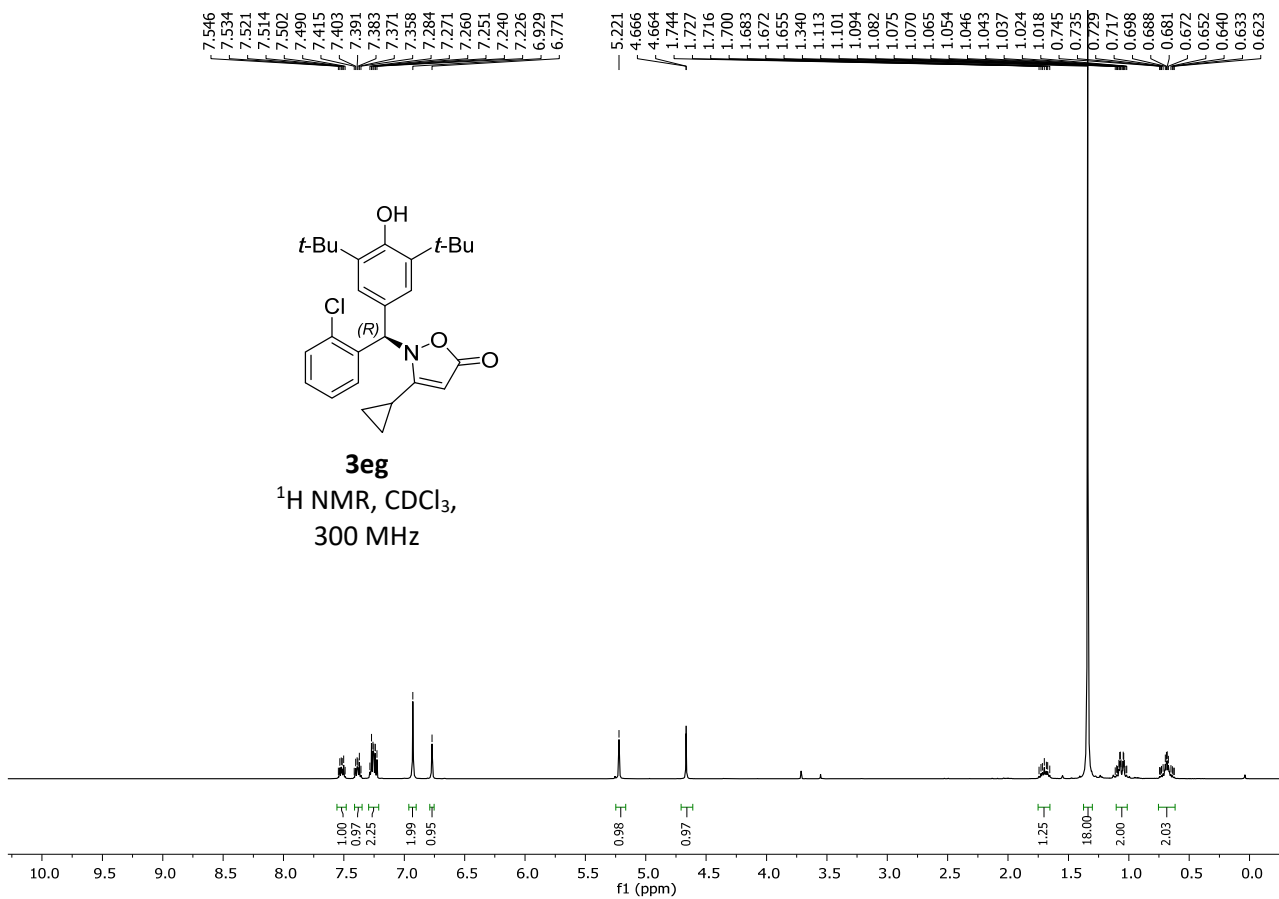
Retention Time	Area	Area Percent
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25,36	259675010	51,334



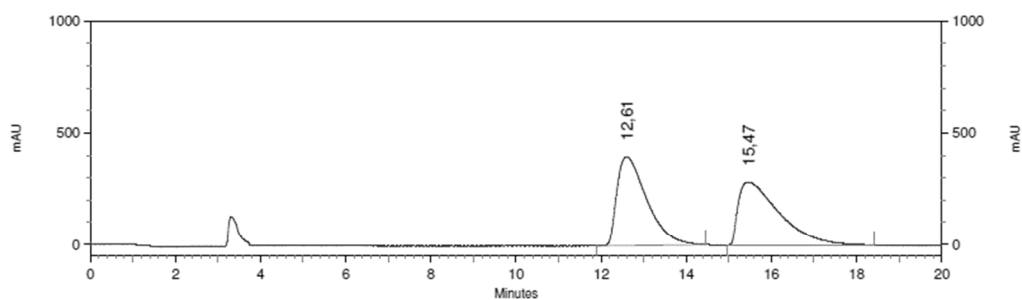
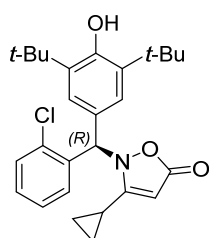
19: 270 nm, 4 nm
Results

Retention Time	Area	Area Percent
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25,88	19790623	6,815





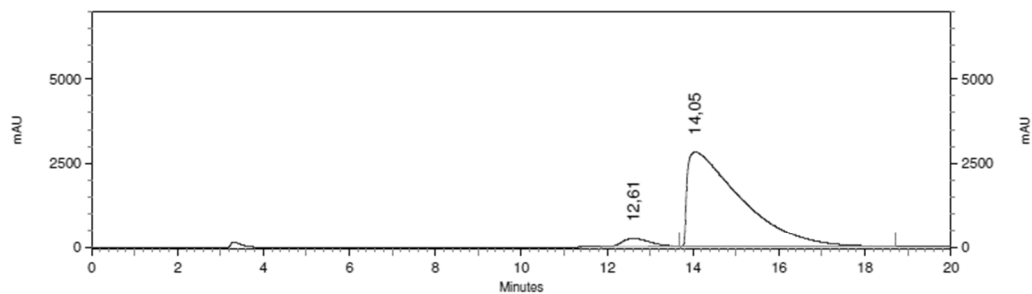
Compound 3eg



14: 244 nm, 4 nm

Results

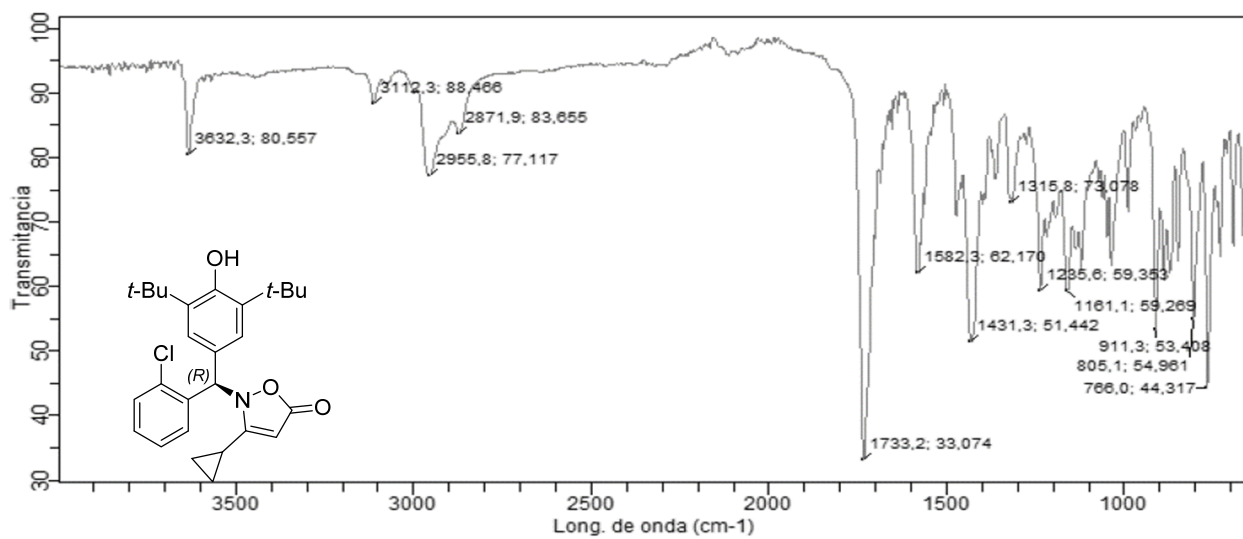
Retention Time	Area	Area Percent
12,61	78571546	50,299
15,47	77637291	49,701

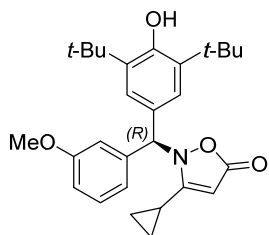
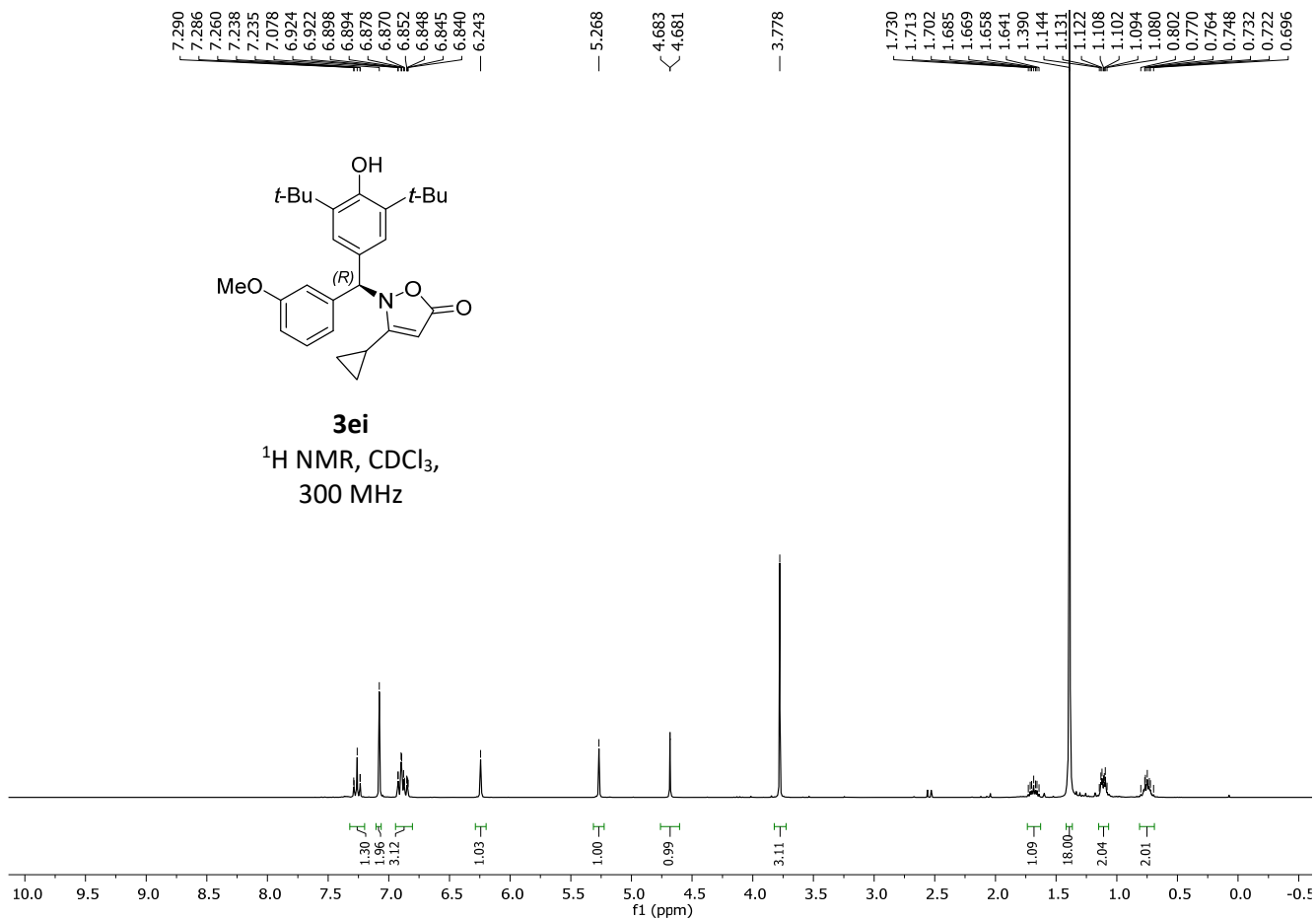


18: 270 nm, 4 nm

Results

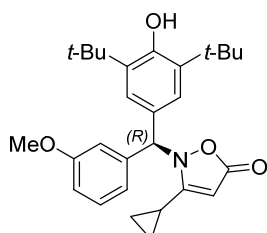
Retention Time	Area	Area Percent
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14,05	986867069	95,862





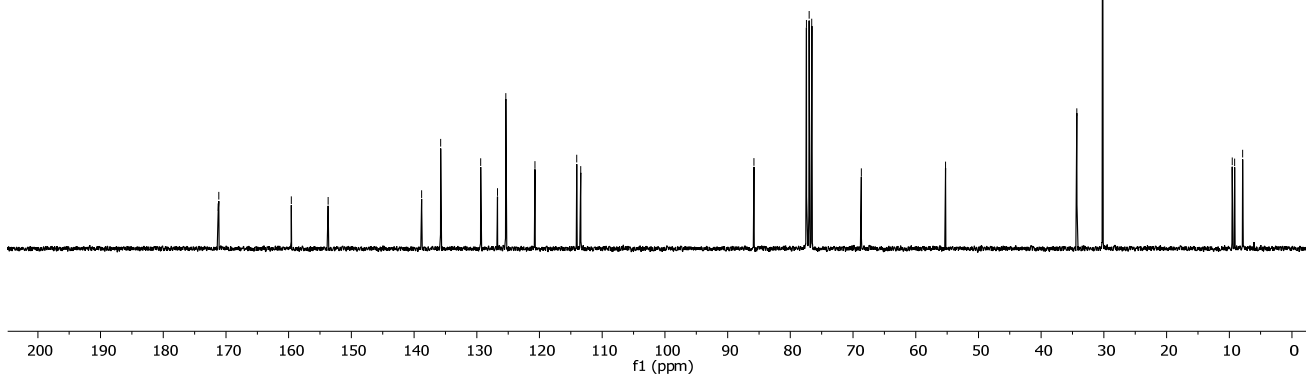
3ei

¹H NMR, CDCl₃, 300 MHz

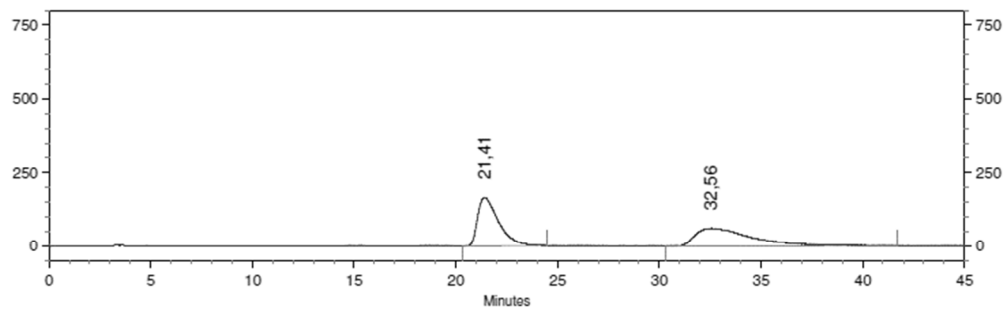
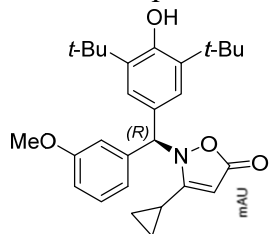


3ei

¹³C NMR, CDCl₃, 75 MHz



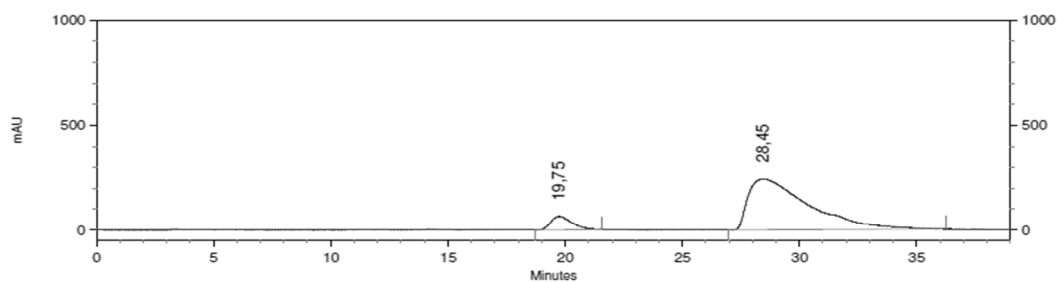
Compound 3ei



19: 270 nm, 4 nm

Results

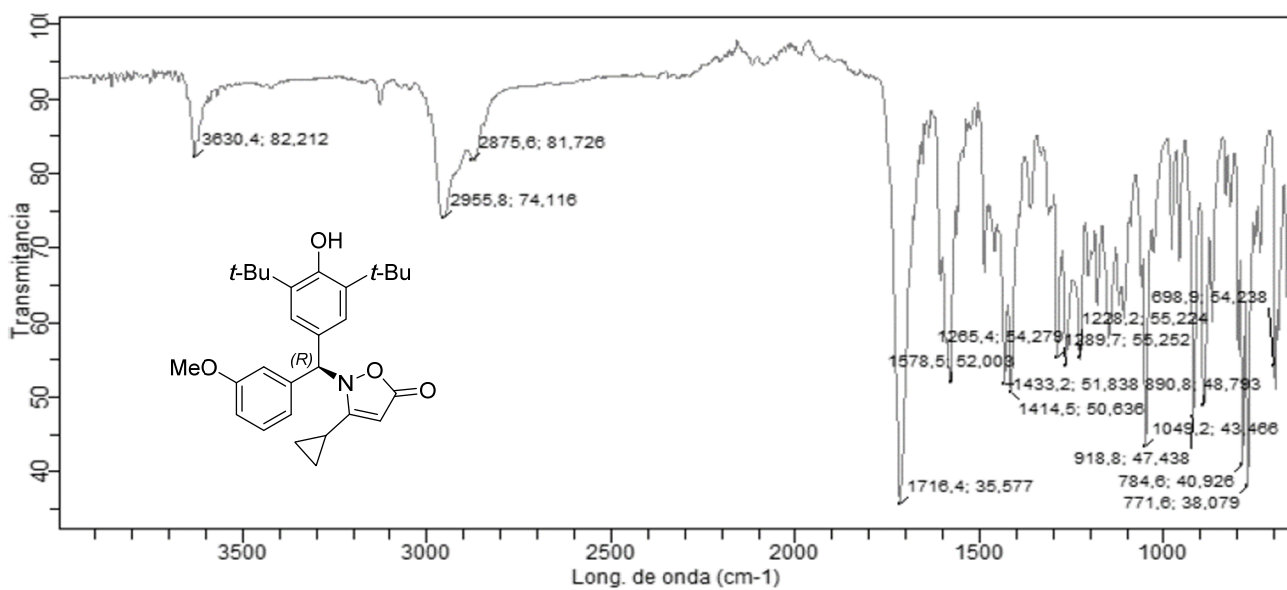
Retention Time	Area	Area Percent
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32,56	48886206	50,509

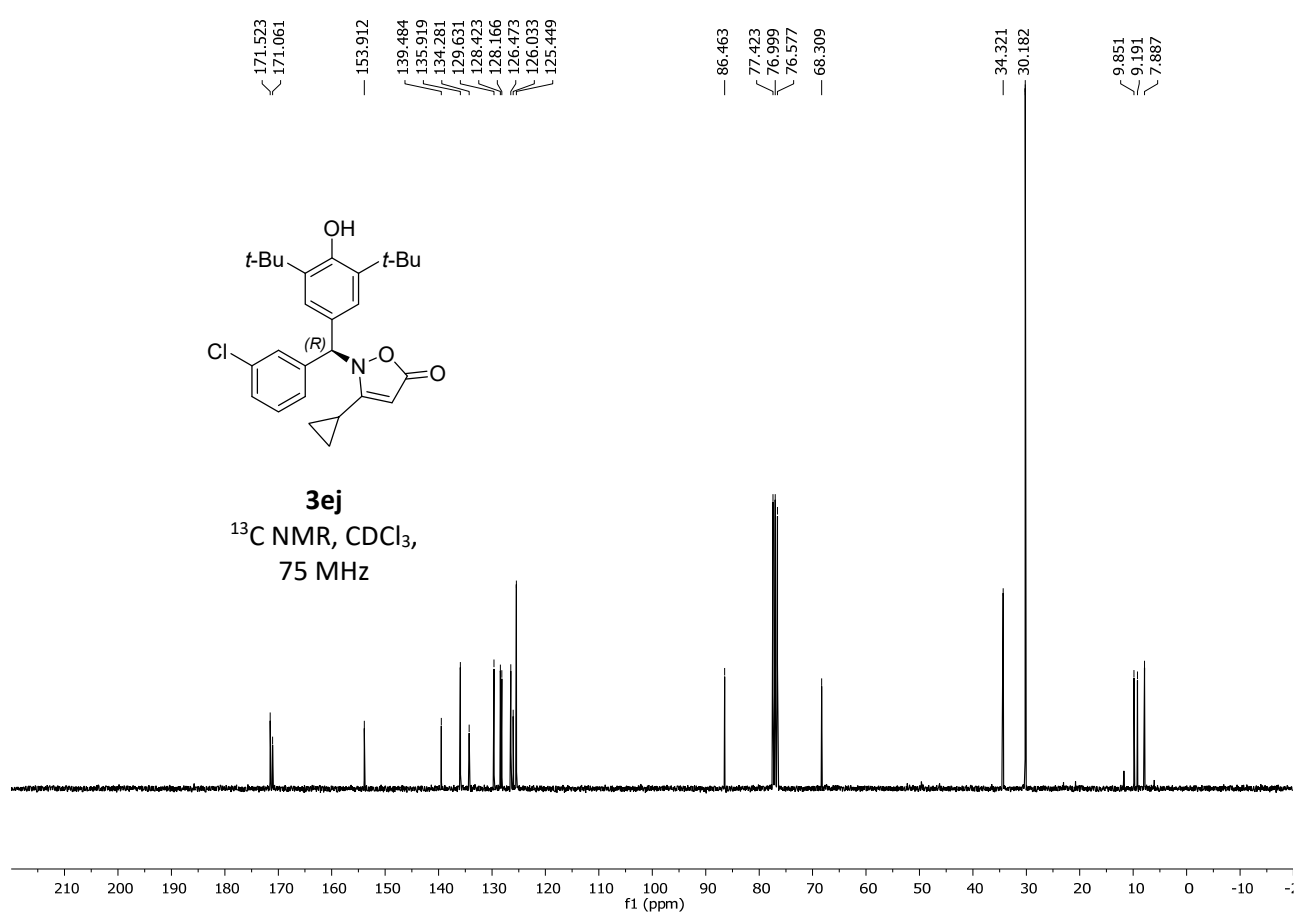
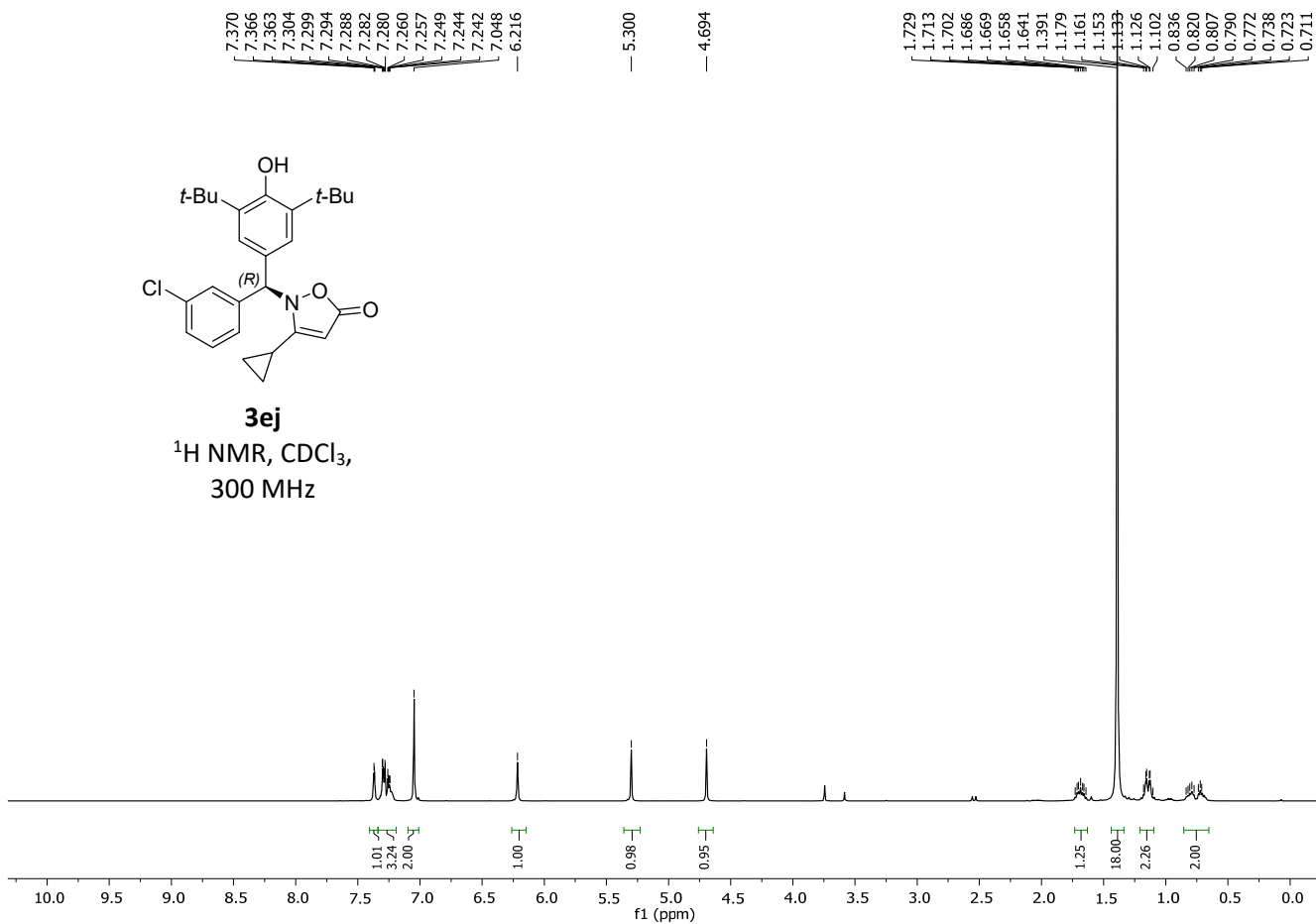


19: 270 nm, 4 nm

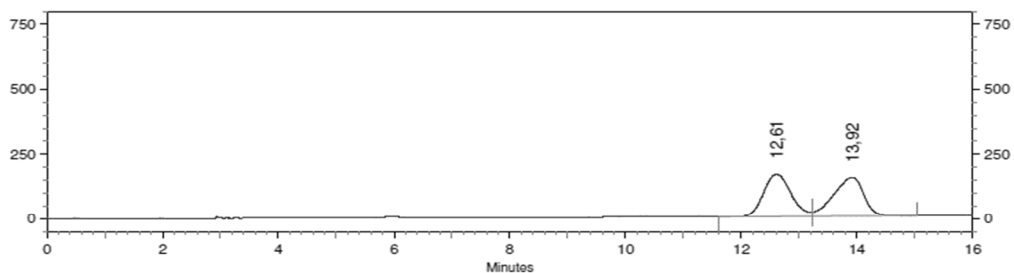
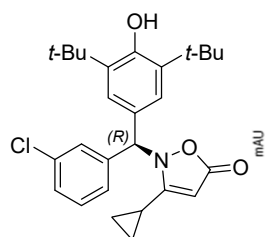
Results

Retention Time	Area	Area Percent
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28,45	177324020	91,265



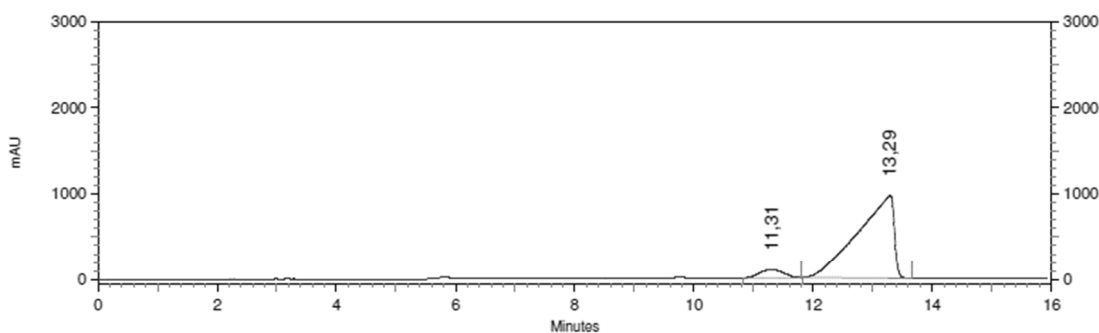


Compound 3ej



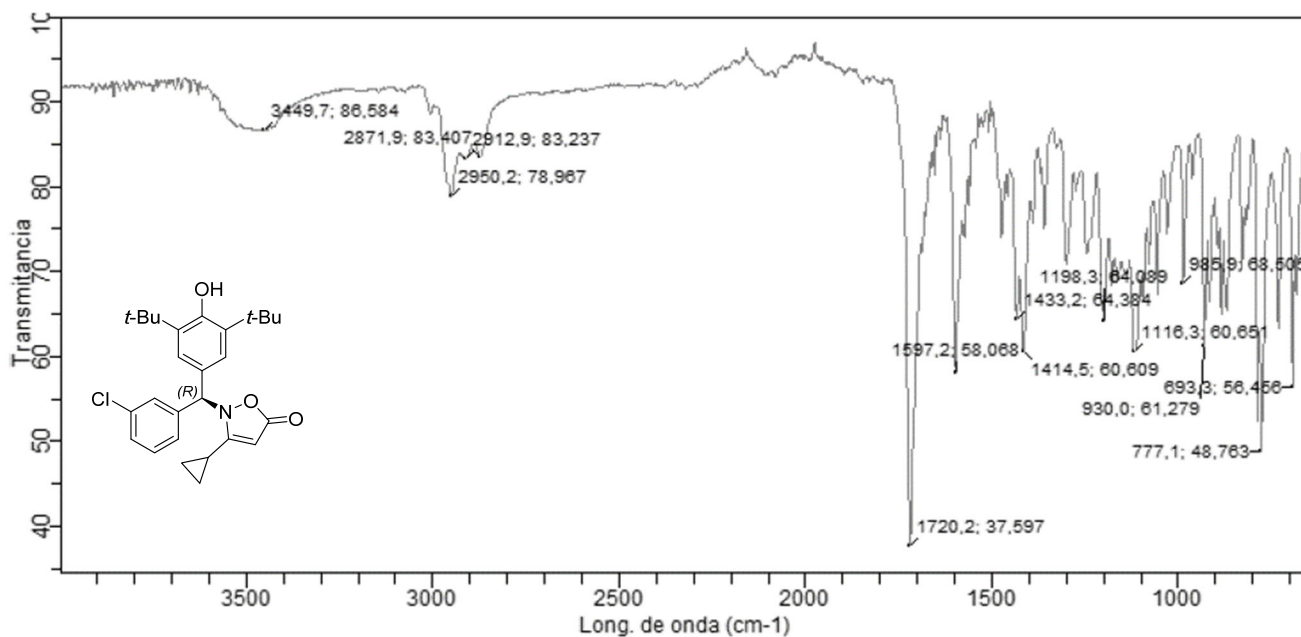
19: 270 nm, 4 nm
Results

Retention Time	Area	Area Percent
12,61	21755299	49,873
13,92	21866388	50,127



19: 270 nm, 4 nm
Results

Retention Time	Area	Area Percent
11,31	10839055	6,169
13,29	164853877	93,831



Additional optimization experiments

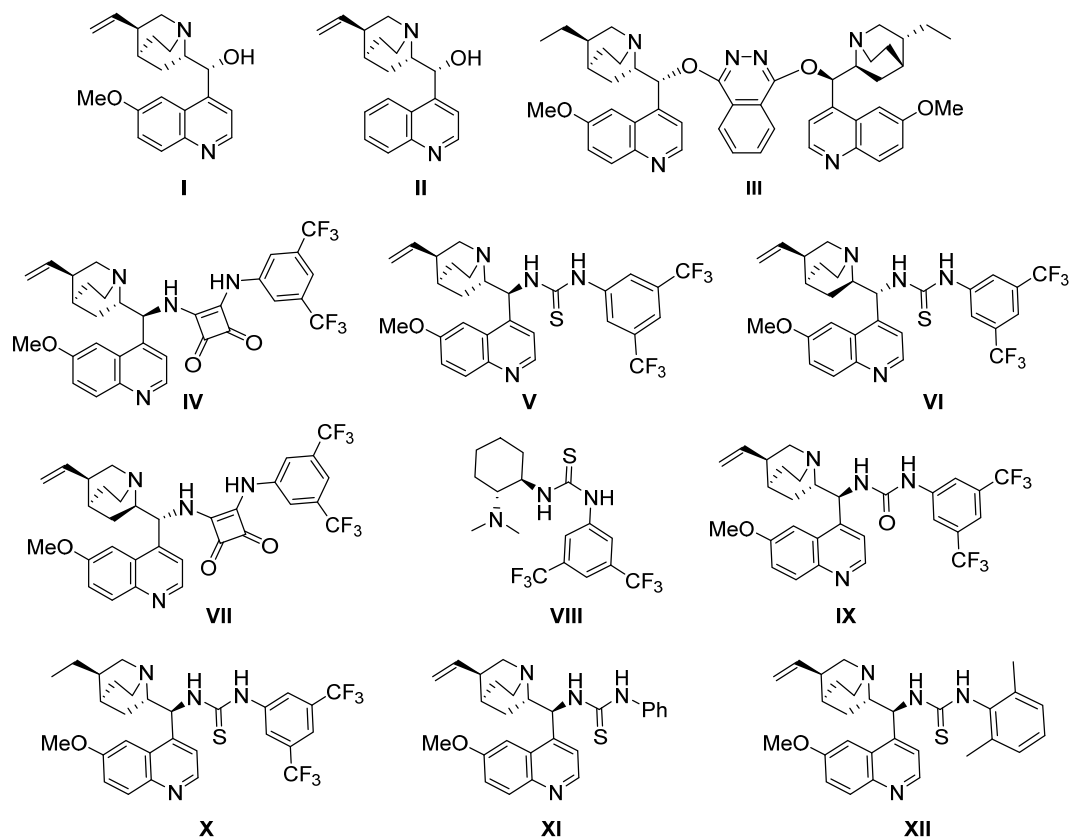
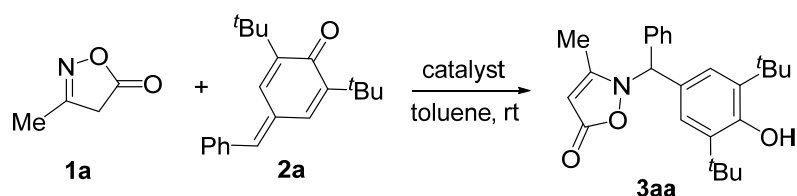


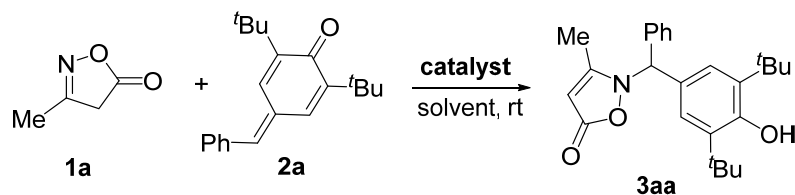
Table S1. Enantioselective addition of 3-methyl-4(*H*)-isoxazol-5-one (**1a**) to *p*-QM **2a**. Screening of ligands.^[a]



entry	catalyst	yield [%] ^[b]	<i>ee</i> [%] ^[c]
1	I	30	56
2	II	36	52
3	III	30	25
4	IV	31	9
5	V	48	66
6	VI	23	37
7	VII	24	24
8	VIII	41	20
9	IX	49	58

[a] **1a** (0.1 mmol), **2a** (0.1 mmol), catalyst (0.005 mmol), toluene (1 mL), room temperature, 6 days. [b] Yield after column chromatography. [c] Determined by HPLC using chiral stationary phases.

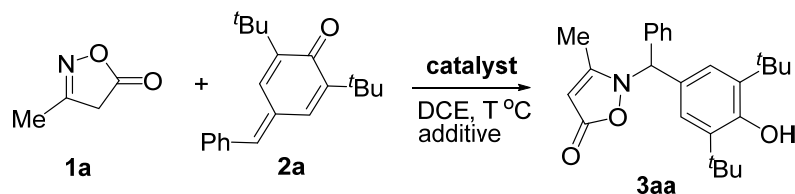
Table S2. Enantioselective addition of 3-methyl-4(*H*)-isoxazol-5-one (**1a**) to *p*-QM **2a**. Screening of solvents.^[a]



entry	catalyst	solvent	yield [%] ^[b]	<i>ee</i> [%] ^[c]
1	V	toluene	48	66
2	V	MTBE	34	61
3	V	Et ₂ O	33	58
4	V	EtOAc	38	57
5	V	Acetonitrile	26	23
6	V	DCM	61	76
7	V	CHCl ₃	27	74
8	V	DCE	42	85
9	X	DCE	37	85

[a] **1a** (0.1 mmol), **2a** (0.1 mmol), catalyst **VIII** (0.005 mmol), solvent (1 mL), room temperature, 6 dayst. [b] Yield after column chromatography. [c] Determined by HPLC using chiral stationary phases.

Table S3. Enantioselective addition of 3-methyl-4(*H*)-isoxazol-5-one (**1a**) to *p*-QM **2a**. Effect of temperature, molar ratio and additives.^[a]



entry	catalyst	catalyst [mol %]	1a/2a [molar ratio]	additive	<i>T</i> [°C]	yield [%] ^[b]	<i>ee</i> [%] ^[c]
1	V	5	1:1	-	r.t.	42	85
2	V	5	1:1	-	0	26	81
3	V	5	1.5:1	-	r.t.	43	79
4	V	5	1:1.5	-	r.t.	48	86
5	V	2.5	1:1.5	-	r.t.	37	61
6	V	10	1:1.5	-	r.t.	85	81
7	XI	5	1:1.5	-	r.t.	44	65
8	XII	5	1:1.5	-	r.t.	nd	11
9	V	5	1:1.5	3 Å MS	r.t.	65	87
10	V	5	1:1.5	4 Å MS	r.t.	57	87
11	V	5	1:1.5	5 Å MS	r.t.	59	85

[a] **1a** (0.1 mmol), **2a**, catalyst (0.005 mmol), DCE (1 mL), additive (32 mg), room temperature, 6 days. [b] Yield after column chromatography. [c] Determined by HPLC using chiral stationary phases.