Supplementary Materials: Atom-Economic Synthesis of 4-Pyrones from Diynones and Water

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1. General Information

All manipulations were performed under an air atmosphere unless otherwise statement. Column chromatography was performed on silica gel (300–400 mesh). NMR spectra were obtained using a Bruker Avance 500 spectrometer (¹H at 500 MHz and ¹³C at 125 MHz) or NMR spectra were obtained using a Bruker Avance 400 spectrometer (¹H at 400 MHz and ¹³C at 100 MHz). IR spectra were recorded on a FT-IR spectrometer and only major peaks are reported in cm⁻¹. High resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were recorded on the Exactive Mass Spectrometer (Thermo Scientific, USA) equipped with ESI or APCI ionization source.

Materials. Unless stated otherwise, commercial reagents were used without further purification. All reagents were weighed and handled in air at room temperature. **1a–1r** were prepared by the reported methods [1,2].

2. Synthesis of 2

Scheme 1.

The reaction mixture of 1 (0.5 mmol), TfOH (1 equiv.) and H_2O (1 mL) in a 15 mL test tube was stirred at 100 °C for 36 h, and monitored periodically by TLC. Upon completion, the reaction mixture was diluted with water (5 mL) and extracted with ethyl acetate (3 × 5 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with water and brine, dried over MgSO₄ and filtered. The solvent was removed under vacuum. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography (petroleum ether and ethyl acetate, v/v = 5:1 to 2:1) to afford 4-Pyrones 2.

3. Control Experiments

3.1. Deuterium Labeling Experiment

The reaction mixture of 1 (0.5 mmol), TfOH (1 equiv.), and D₂O (1 mL) in a 15 mL test tube was stirred at 100 °C for 36 h, and monitored periodically by TLC. Upon completion, the reaction mixture was diluted with water (5 mL) and extracted with ethyl acetate (3 × 5 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with water and brine, dried over MgSO₄ and filtered. The solvent was removed under vacuum. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography (petroleum ether and ethyl acetate, v/v = 5:1 to 2:1) to afford 4-Pyrone 2a-d (80%).

Scheme 2.

3.2. O¹⁸-Labeled Experiment

The reaction mixture of **1a** (0.5 mmol), TfOH (1 equiv.), and H_2O^{18} (1 mL) in a 15 mL test tube was stirred at 100 °C for 36 h, and monitored periodically by TLC. Upon completion, the reaction mixture was diluted with water (5 mL) and extracted with ethyl acetate (3 × 5 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with water and brine, dried over MgSO₄ and filtered. The solvent was removed under vacuum. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography (petroleum ether and ethyl acetate, v/v = 5:1 to 2:1) to afford 4-Pyrone **2a**- o^{18} (78%).

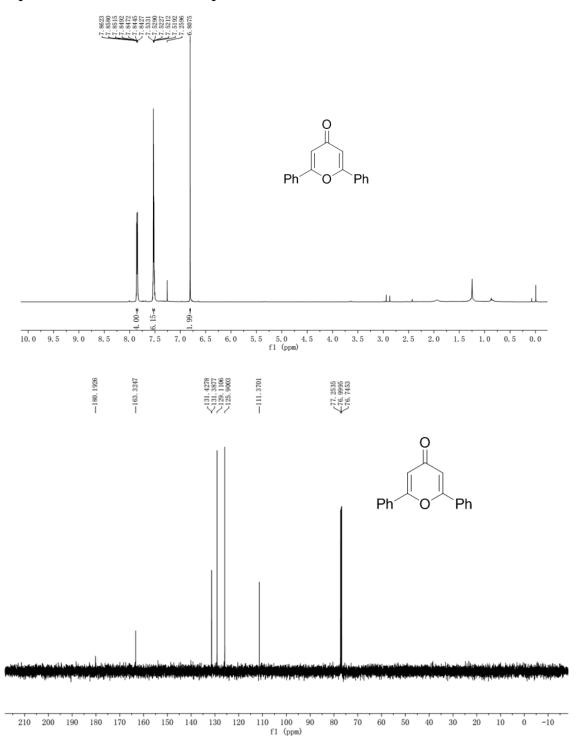
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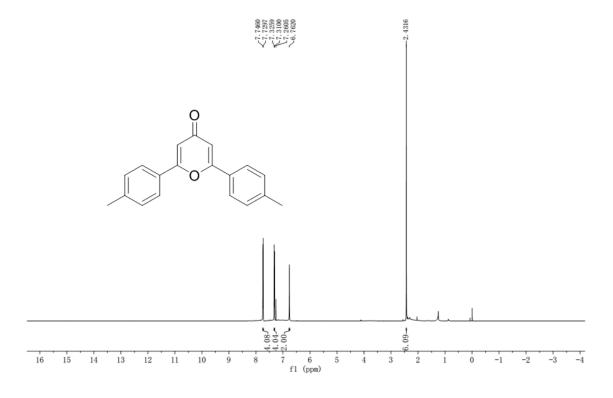
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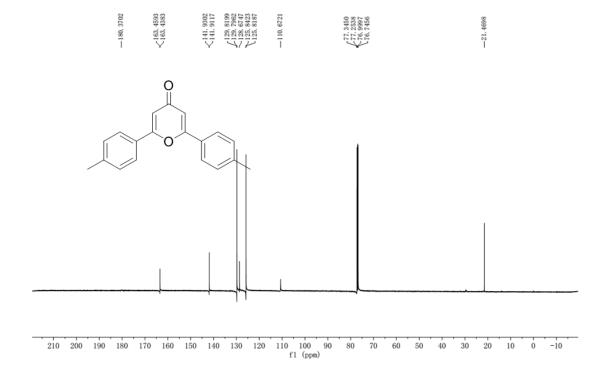
The reaction mixture of **1a** (5 mmol), TfOH (1 equiv.) and H₂O (10 mL) in a 50 mL round-bottom flask was stirred at 100 °C for 36 h, and monitored periodically by TLC. Upon completion, the reaction mixture was diluted with water (30 mL) and extracted with ethyl acetate (3 × 30 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with water and brine, dried over MgSO₄ and filtered. The solvent was removed under vacuum. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography (petroleum ether and ethyl acetate, v/v = 5:1 to 2:1) to afford 4-Pyrones **2a** (53%).

Scheme 4.

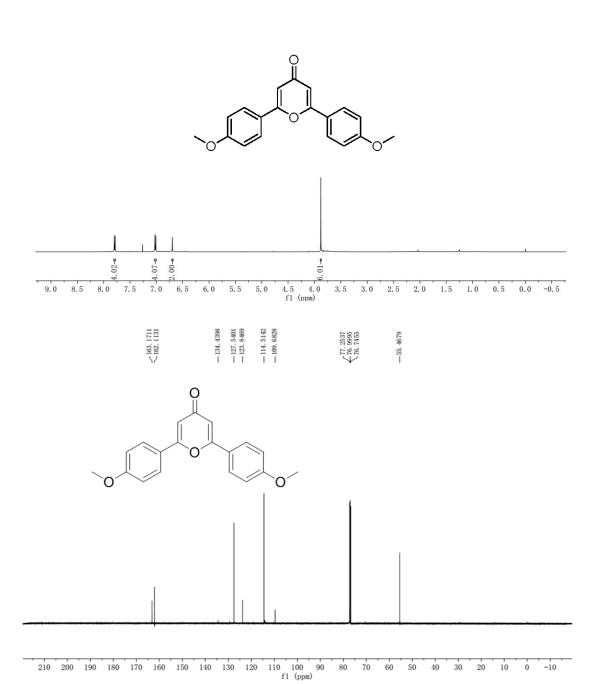
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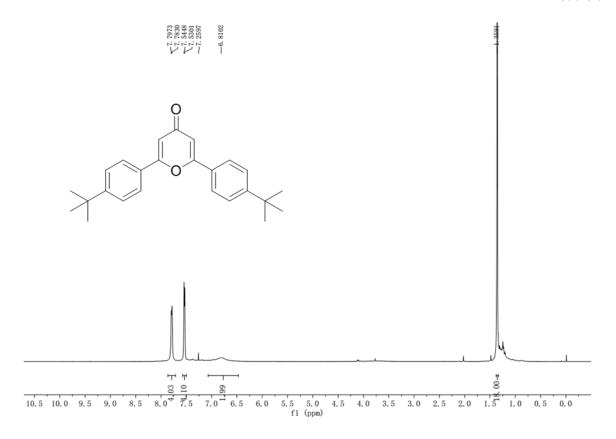




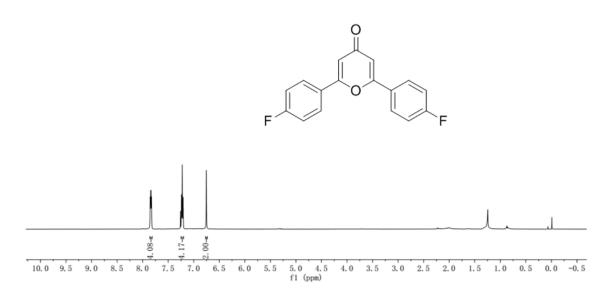


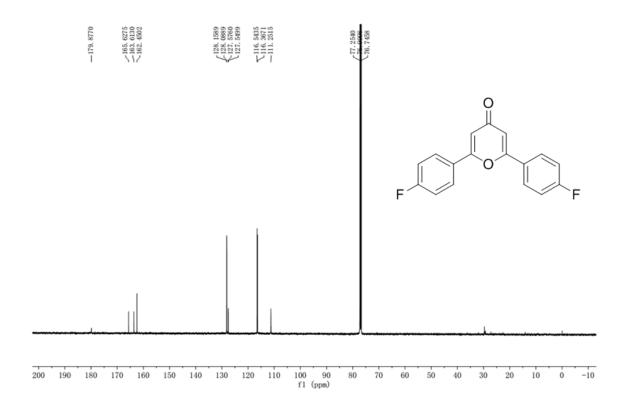




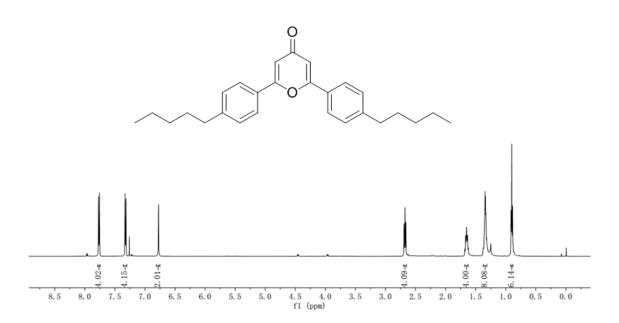


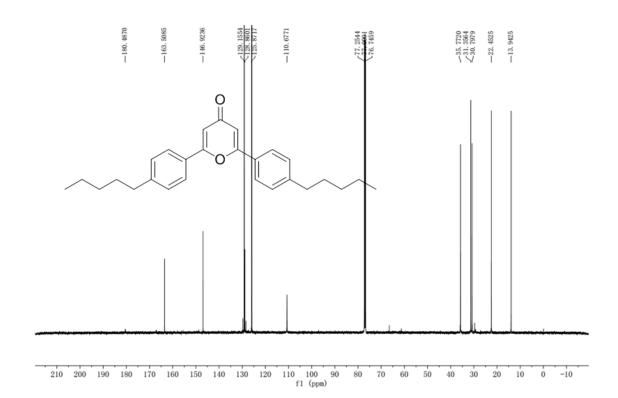


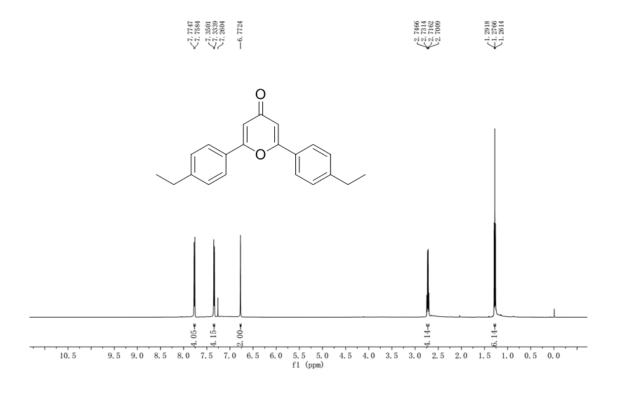


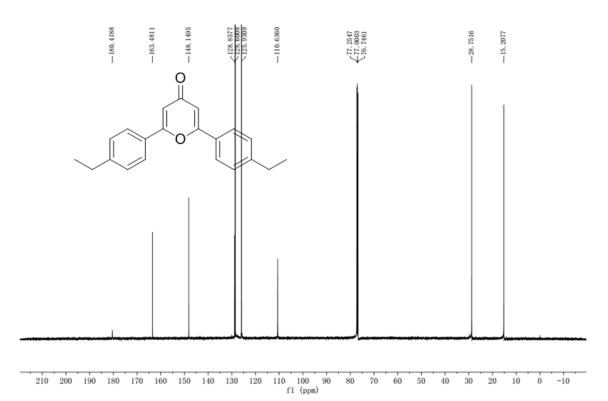


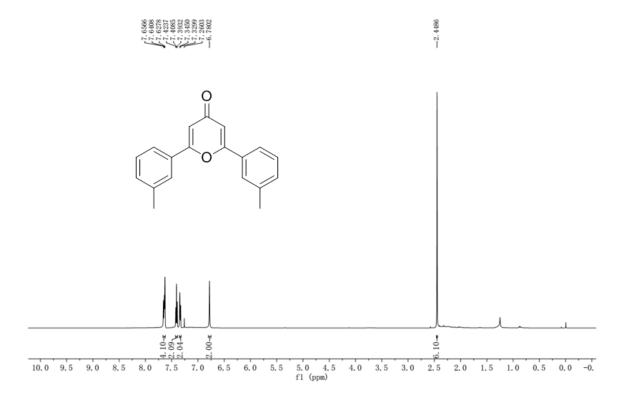


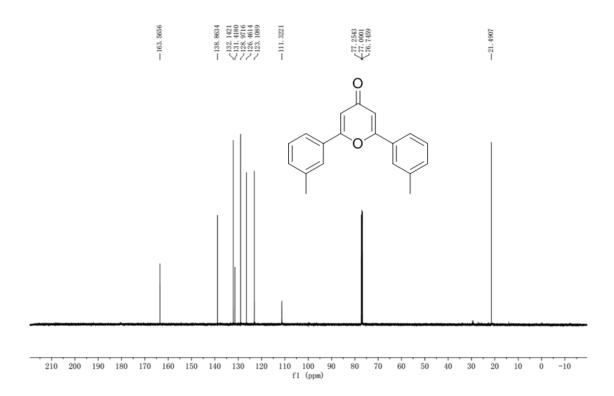


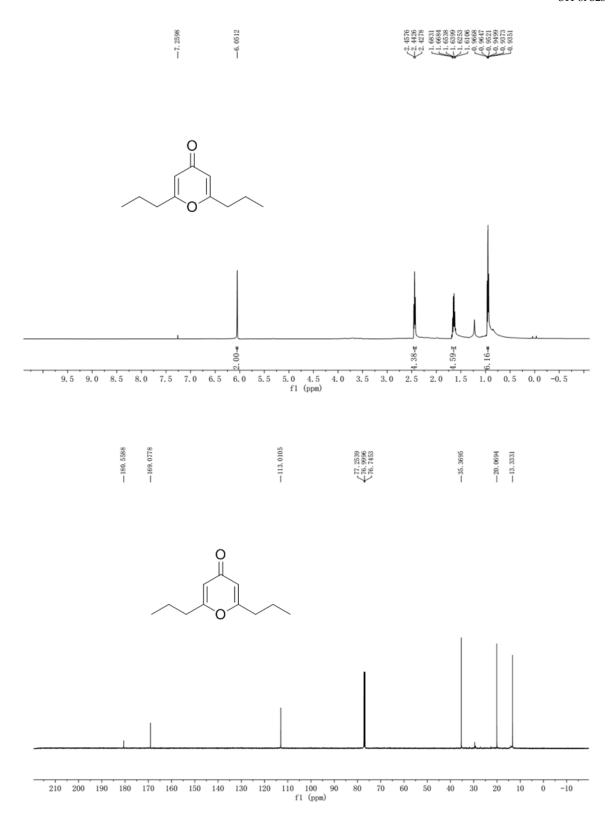


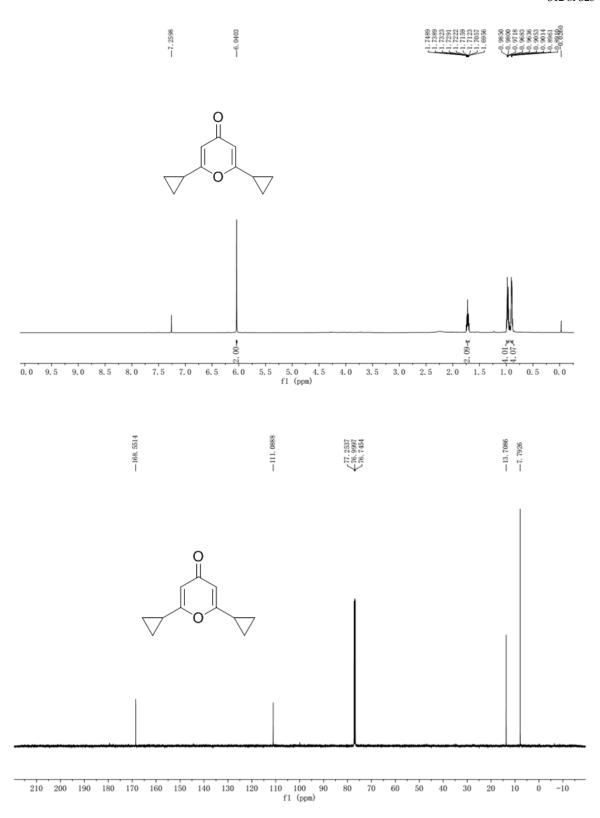










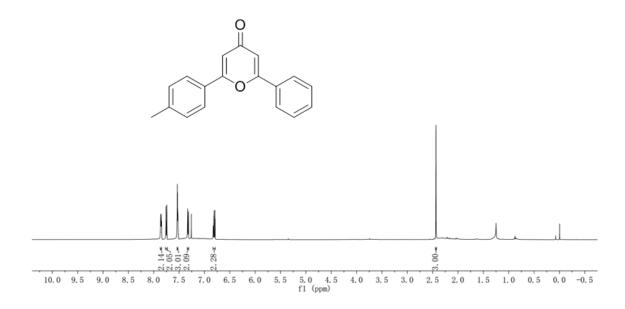


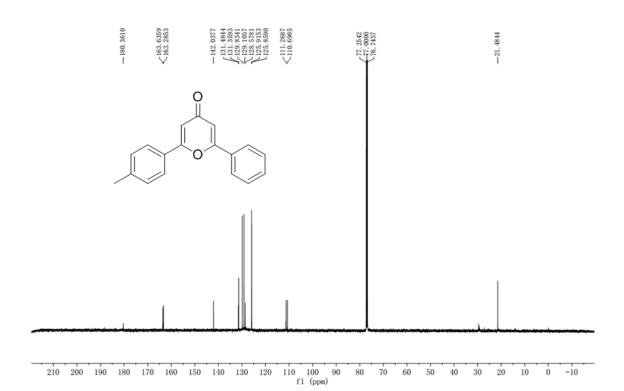


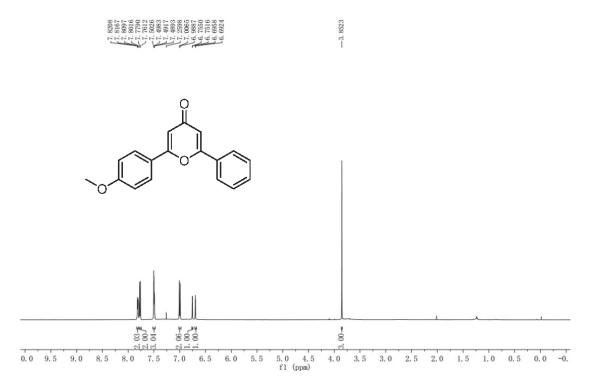
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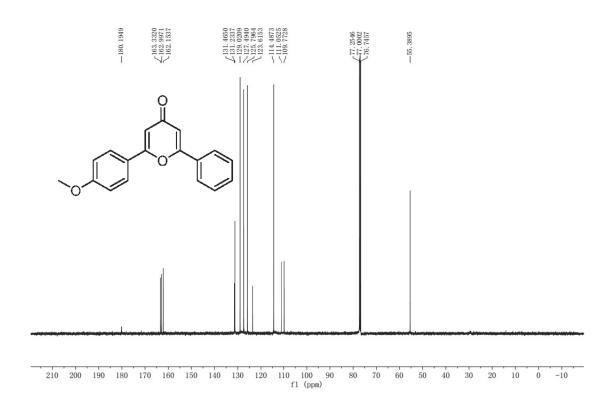


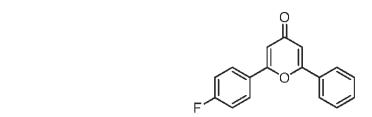


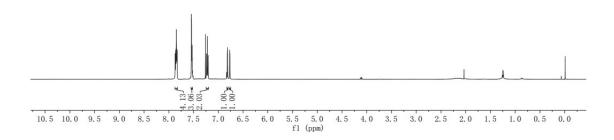


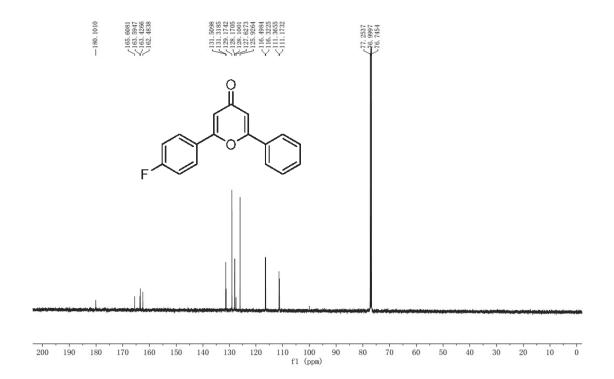






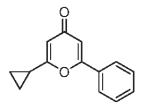


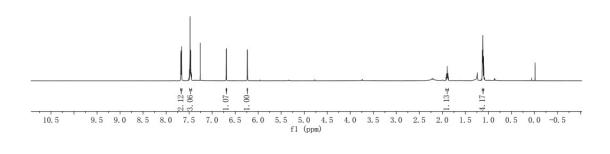


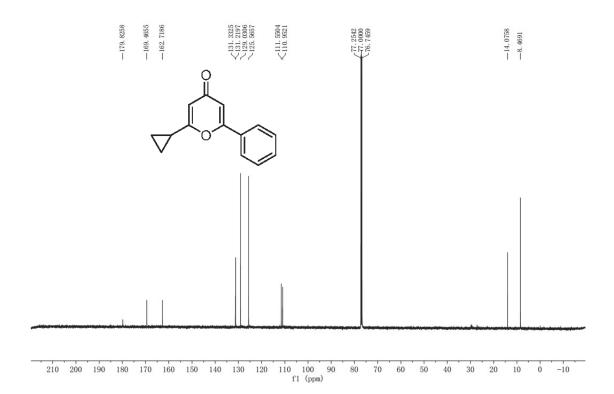


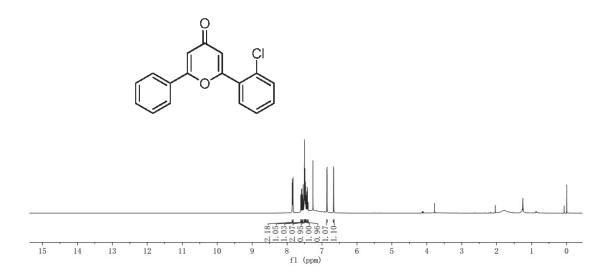


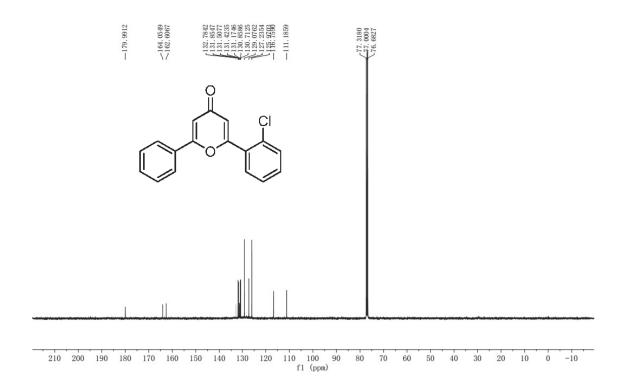




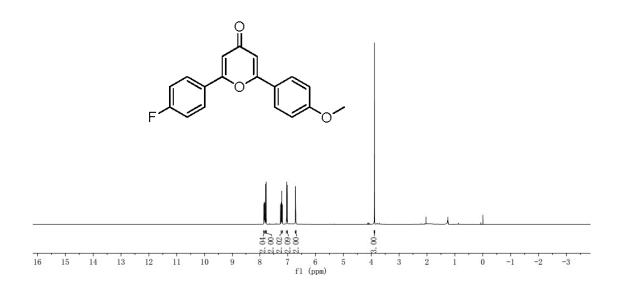


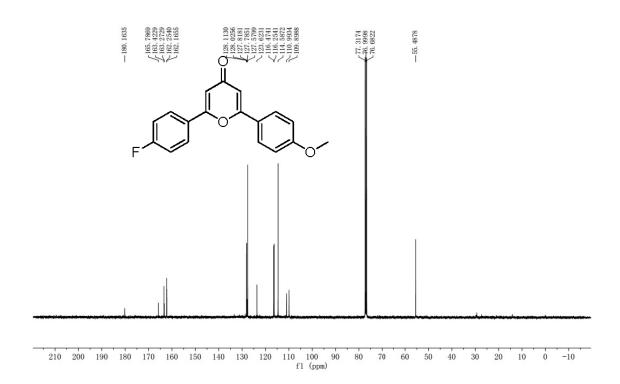




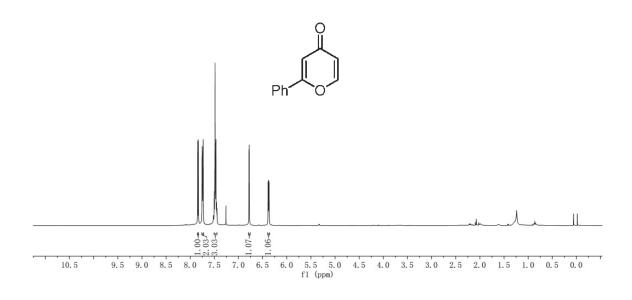


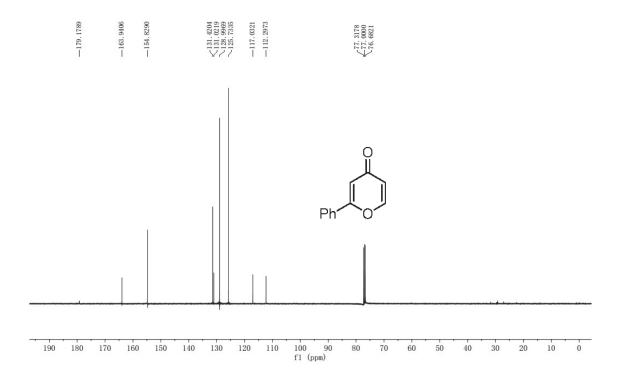


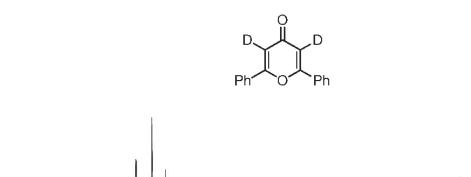






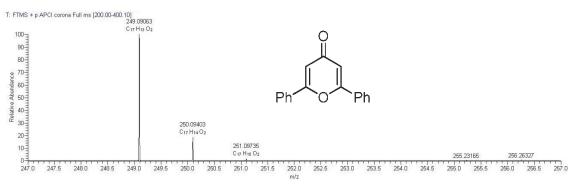


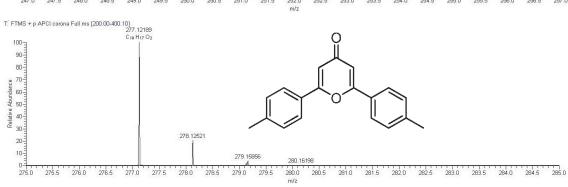


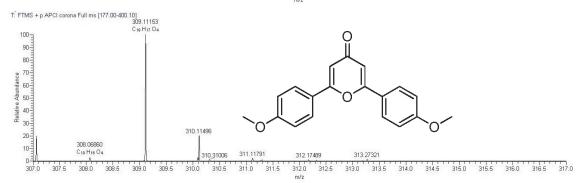


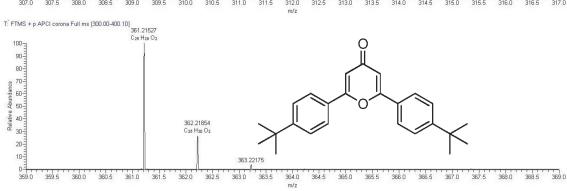
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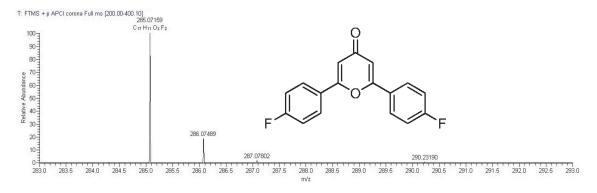
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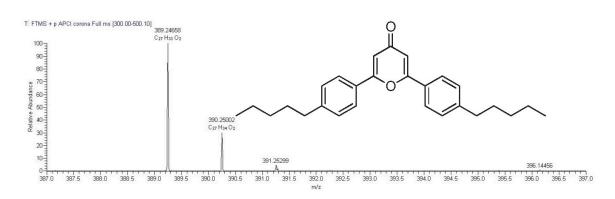


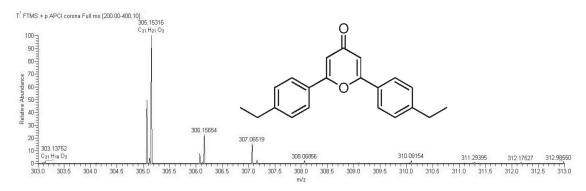


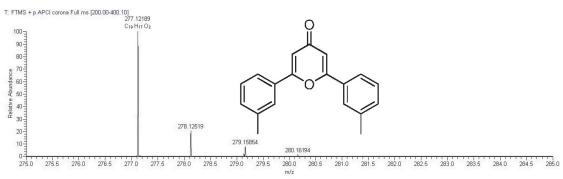


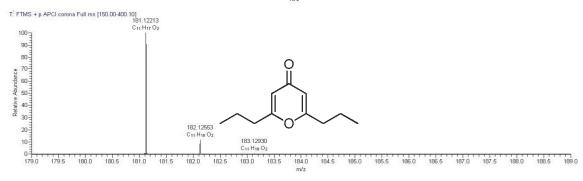


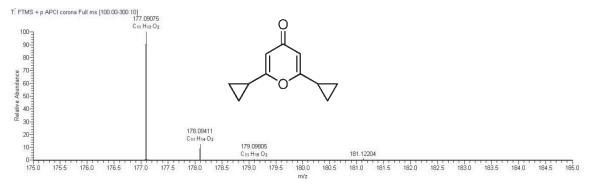


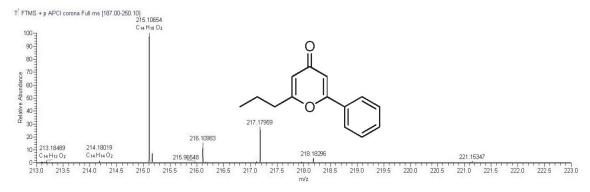


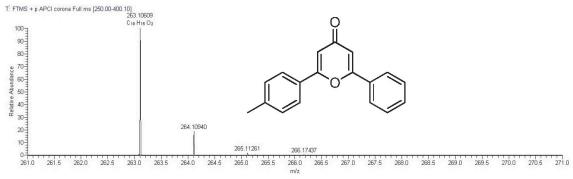


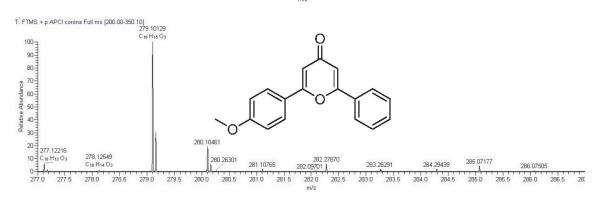


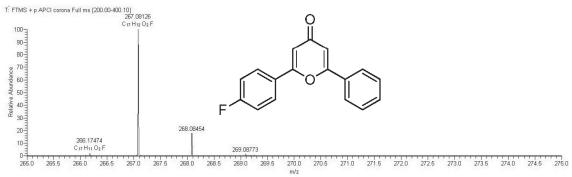


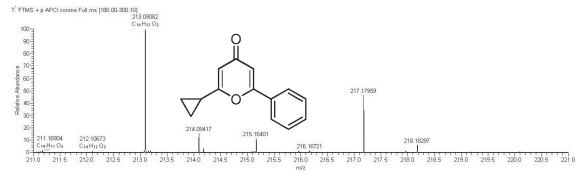


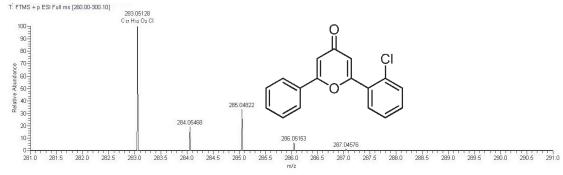


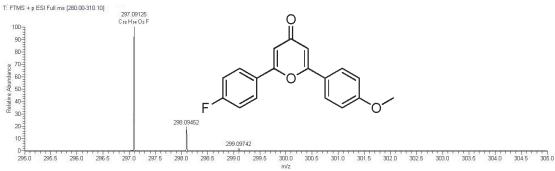


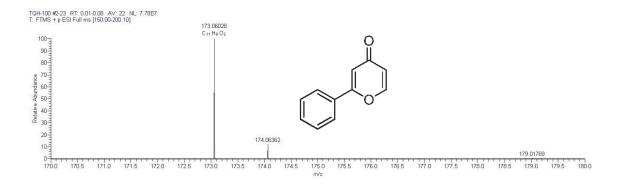




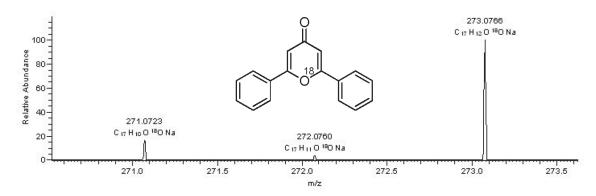








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