

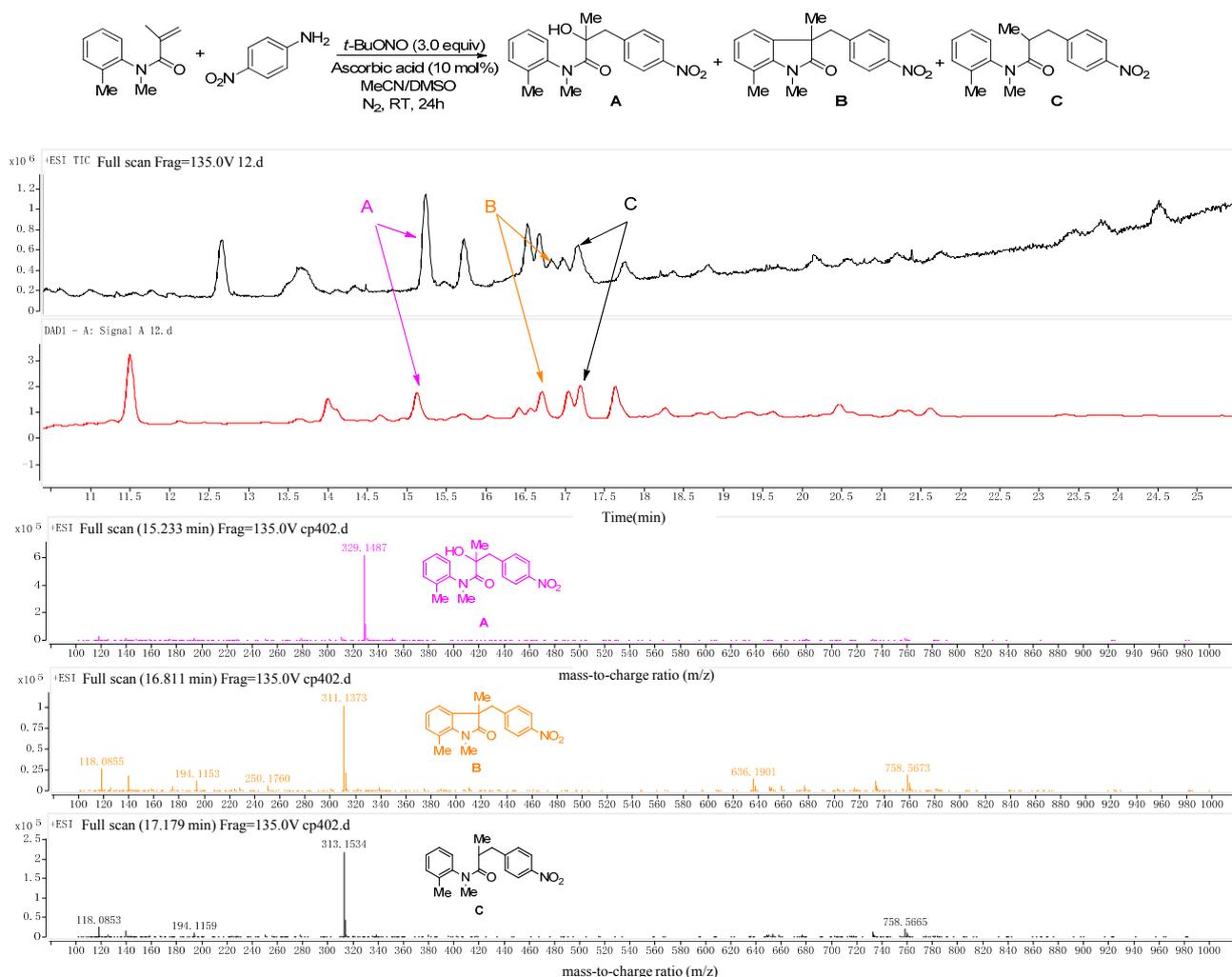
# Supplementary Information

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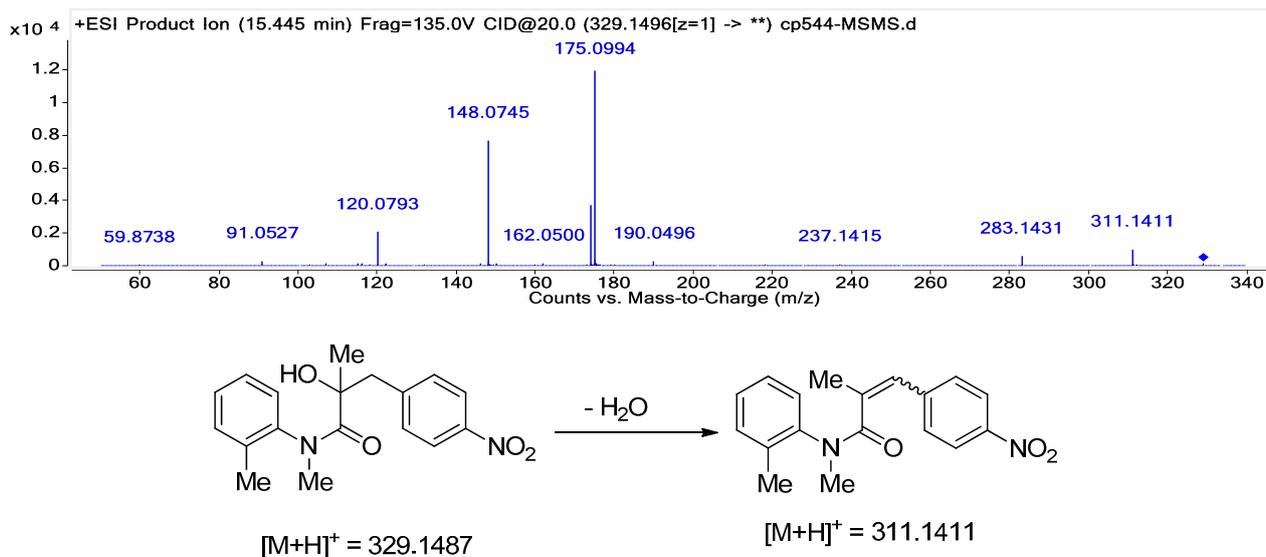
### 1. HPLC-ESI-HRMS Analysis of Crude Tandem Cyclization Products with *ortho*-Substituted *N*-Arylacrylamide as Substrate

Significantly decreased yields of the desired compounds were observed when the *ortho*-substituted *N*-arylacrylamides were used as reaction substrates. The reaction mixture was much more complex. In these *ortho*-substituted cases,  $\alpha$ -hydroxyl amide derivative (**A**) and simple C-C double bond Meerwein radical addition products (**C**) were detected as major byproducts. Due to the steric effect, the intermolecular cyclization was not favored, thus, radical intermediate **11** (Scheme 4, in the manuscript) could be oxidized by trace oxygen in the reaction system to provide byproduct A or quenched through an H-atom abstraction process to afford byproduct C (Scheme S1).



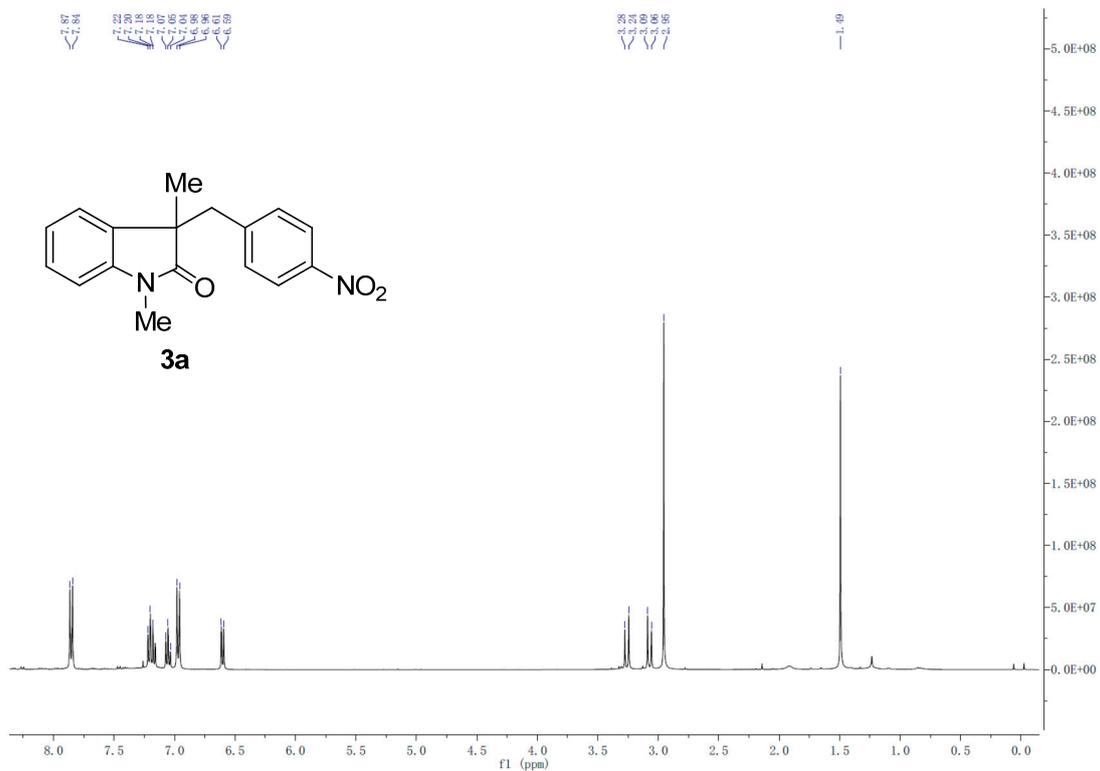
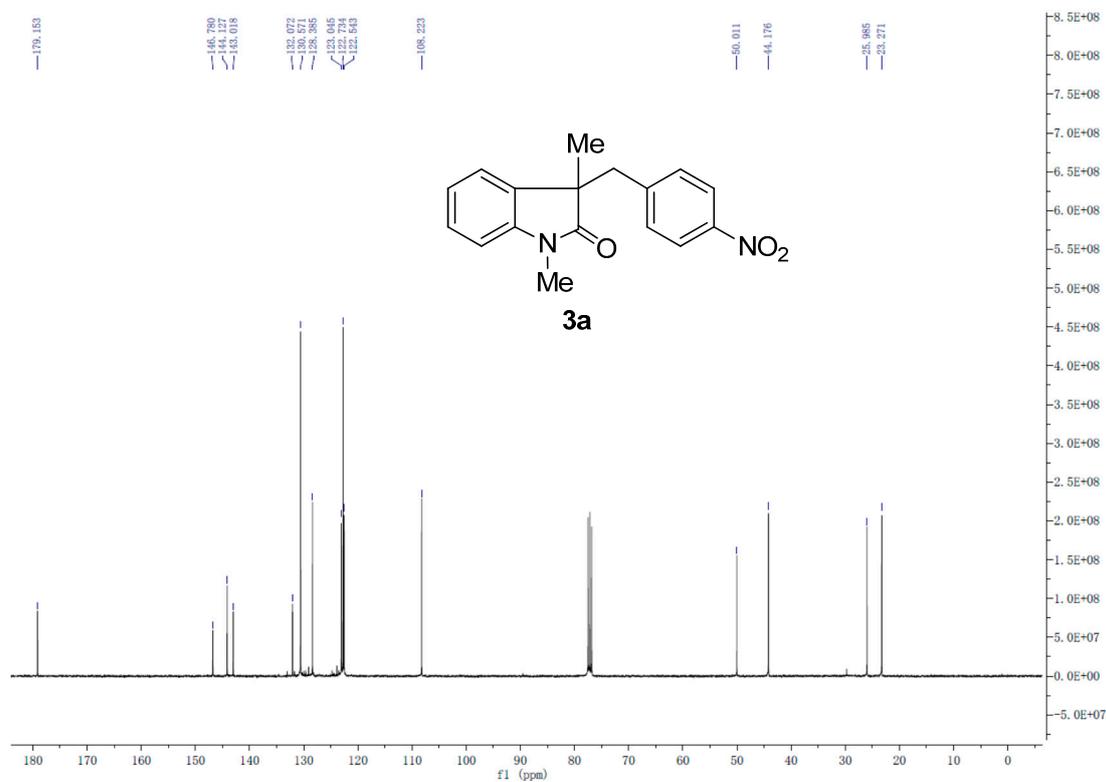
Scheme S1. HPLC-ESI-HRMS analysis of crude product.

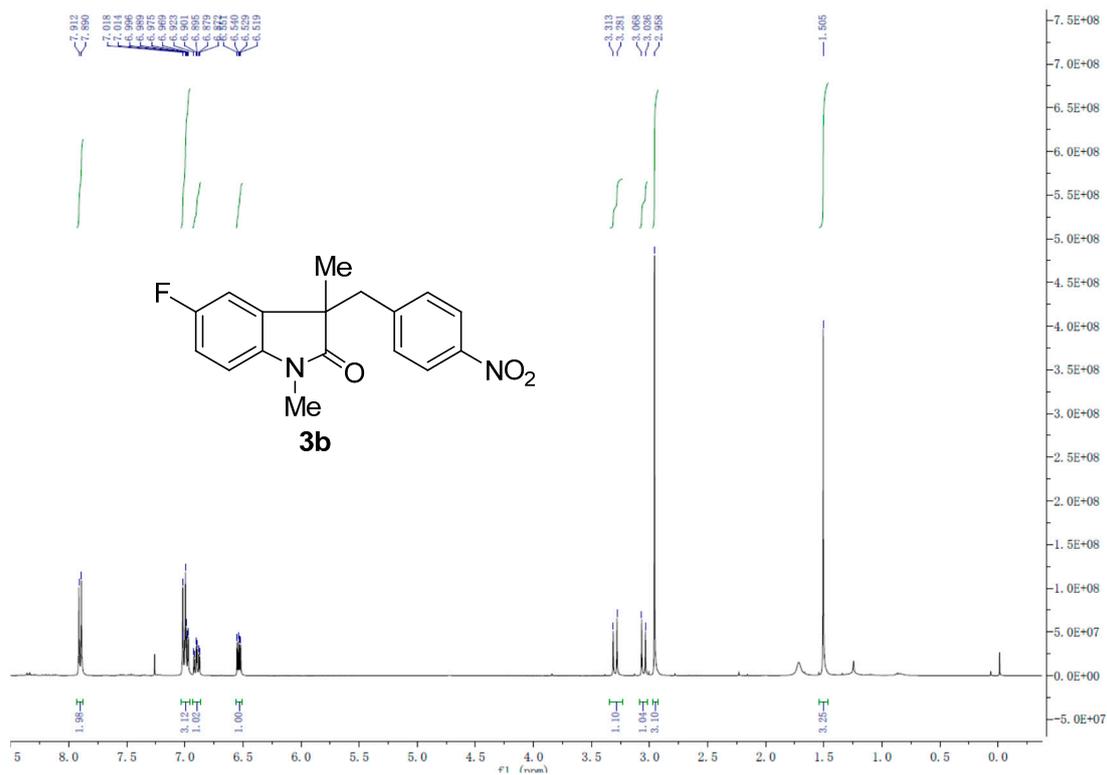
Because byproduct **C** is a typical Meerwein radical addition product, our work mainly focused on the structure identification of byproduct **A**. We tried to isolate the byproduct **A** by silicon chromatography. However, the reaction product was complex and we didn't obtain pure compounds **A**. Thus, we performed the MS/MS analysis of the crude product and hoped to confirm the structure of compound **A** based on the MS/MS fragmentation behavior. As shown in Scheme 5, the MS/MS spectra of byproduct **A** showed a characteristic ion  $[M + H - 18]^+$  at 311.1411 corresponding to the loss a  $H_2O$  molecule from the cation  $[M + H]^+$  at 329.1487. Based on the proposed reaction mechanism, a hydroxyl group should exist in compound **A**.



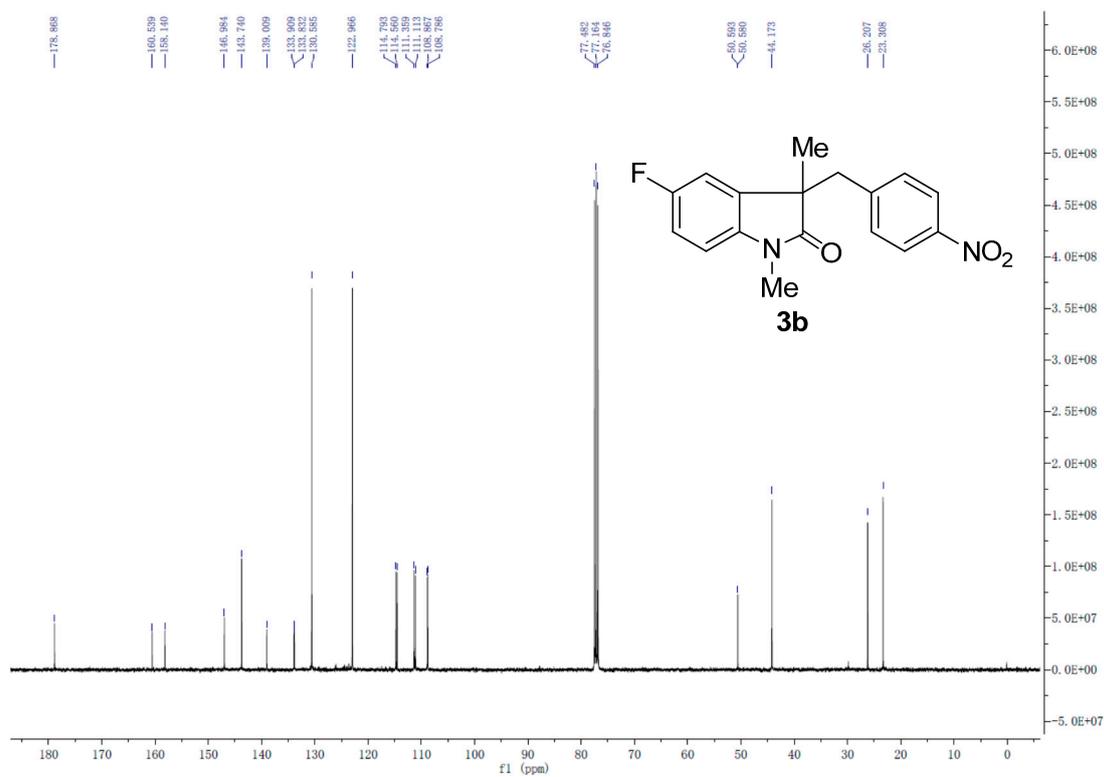
**Scheme S2.** MS/MS fragmentation pathway of byproduct **A**.

## 2. NMR Spectra of Compounds 3

Figure S1. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectra of compound 3a.Figure S2. <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectra of compound 3a.



**Figure S3.**  $^1\text{H-NMR}$  spectra of compound **3b**.



**Figure S4.**  $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$  spectra of compound **3b**.

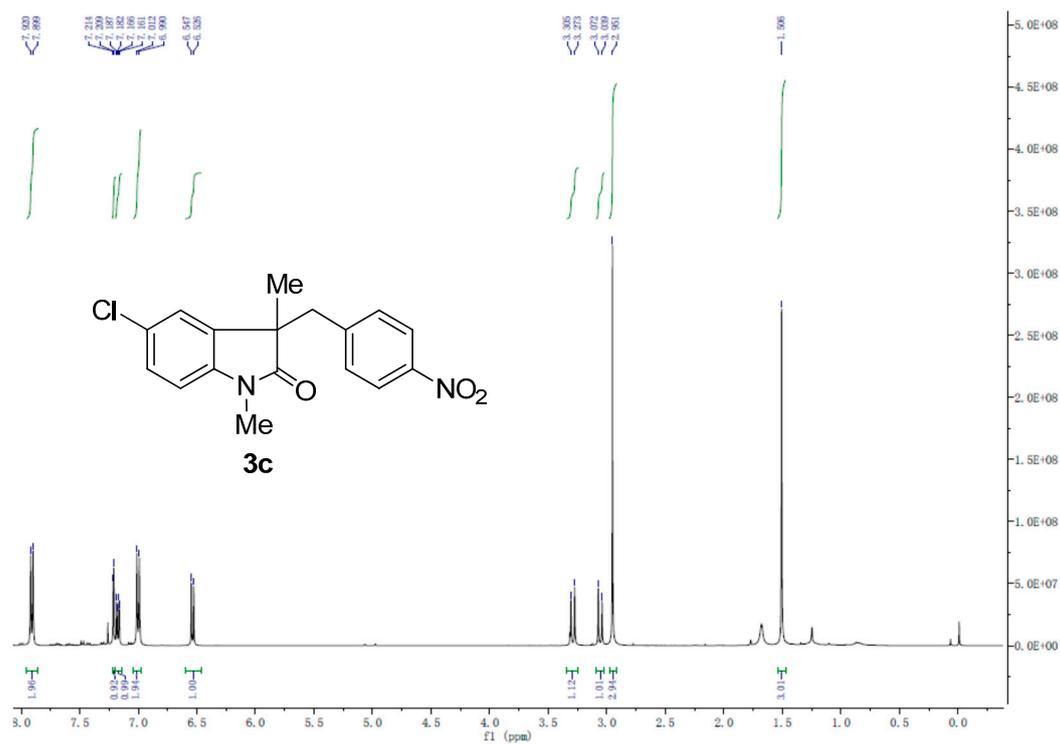


Figure S5.  $^1\text{H-NMR}$  spectra of compound **3c**.

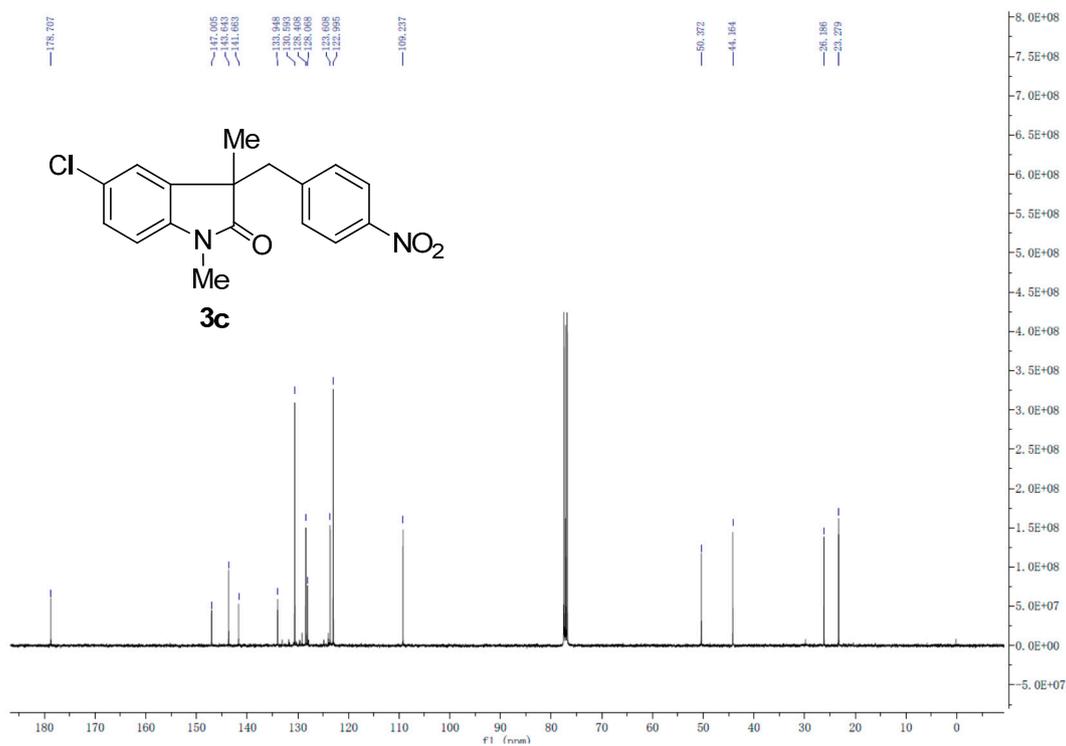
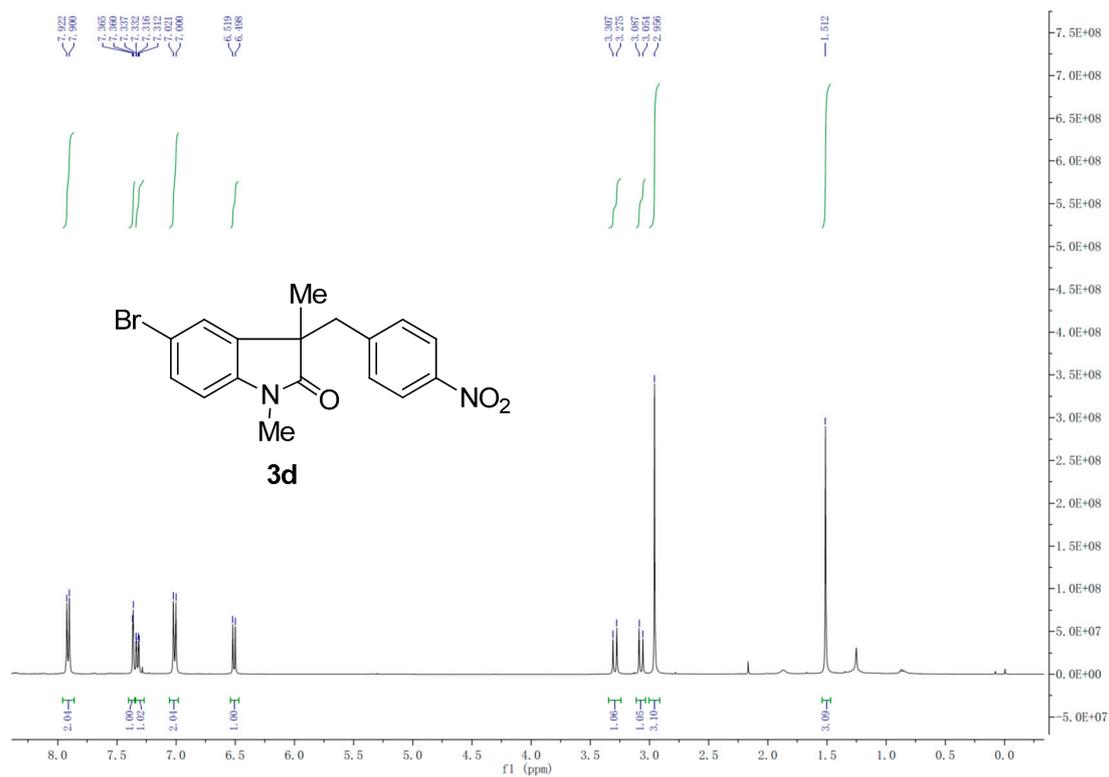
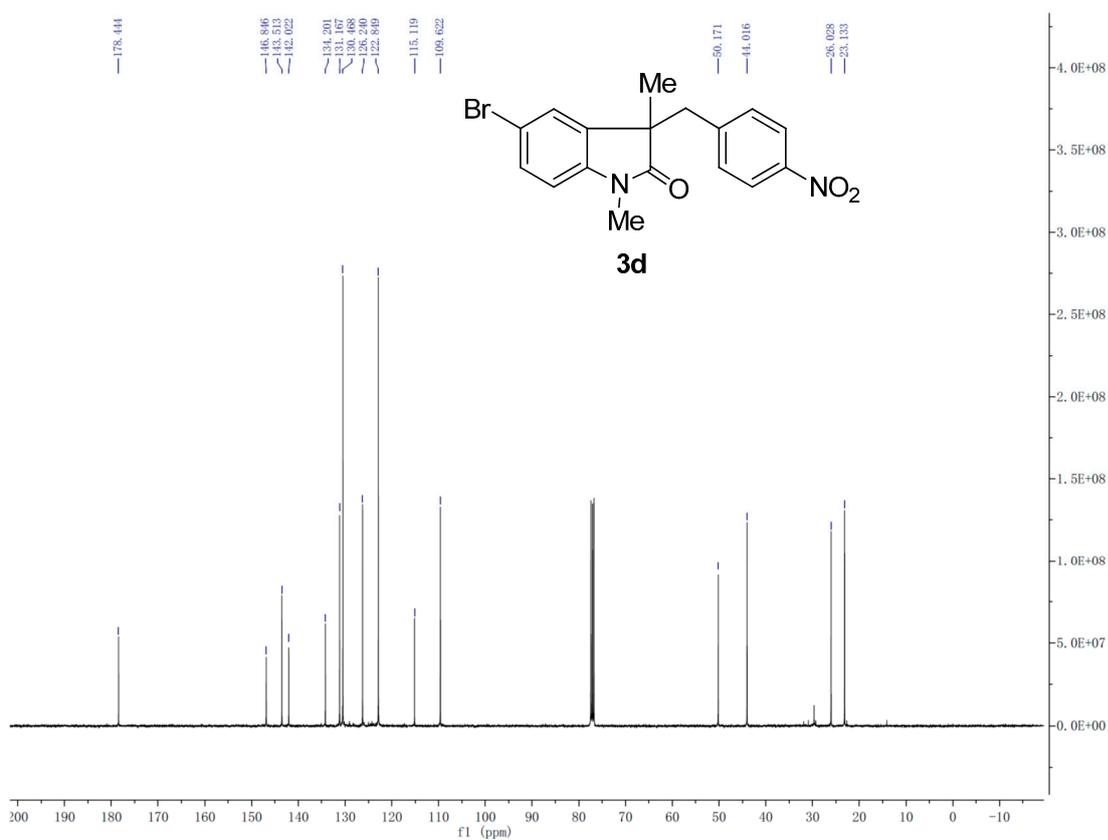


Figure S6.  $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$  spectra of compound **3c**.



**Figure S7.**  $^1\text{H-NMR}$  spectra of compound **3d**.



**Figure S8.**  $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$  spectra of compound **3d**.

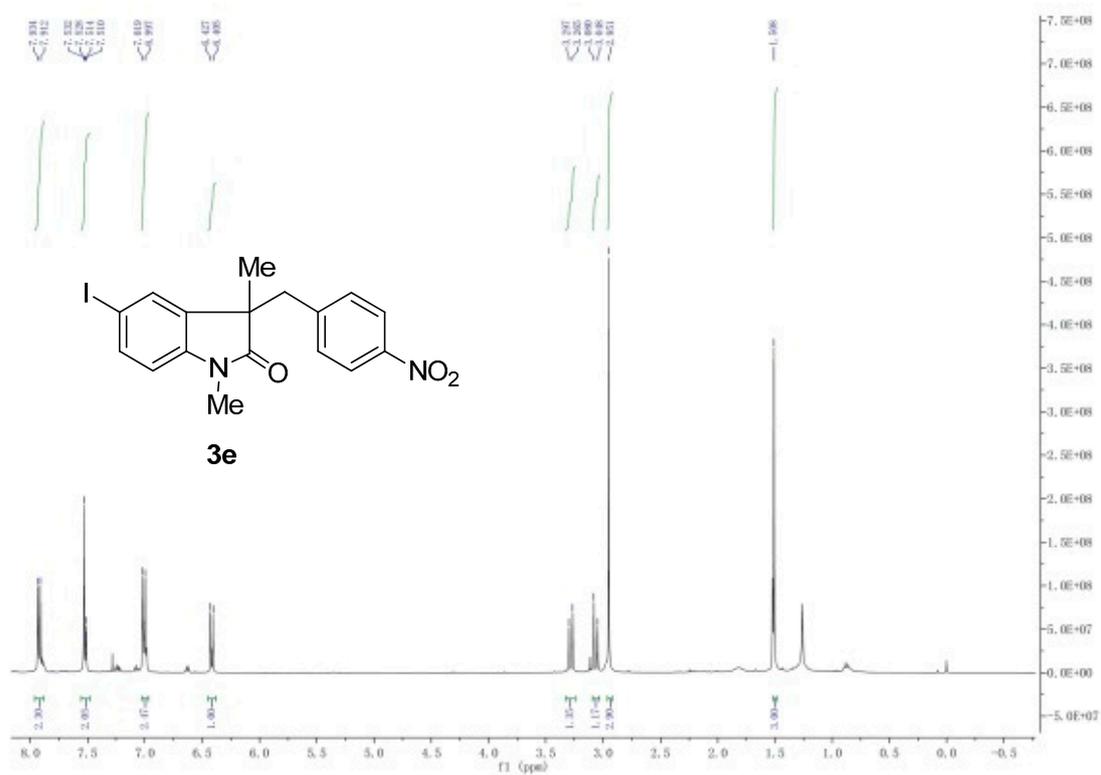


Figure S9. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectra of compound 3e.

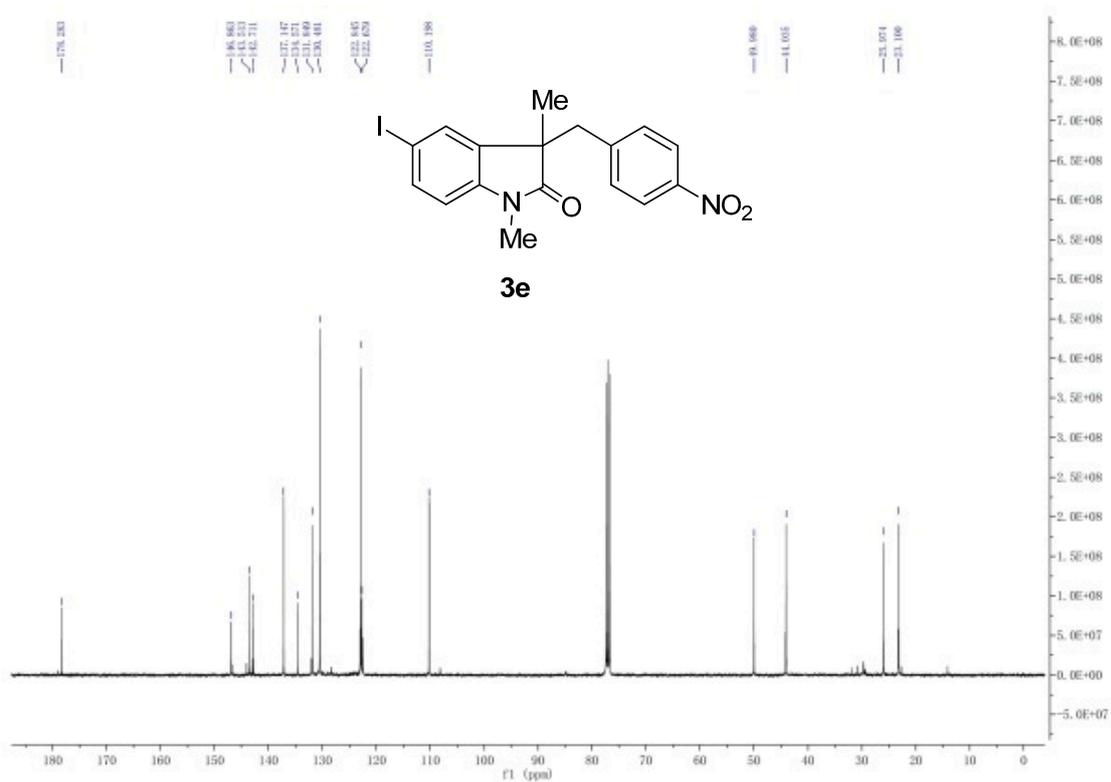


Figure S10. <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectra of compound 3e.

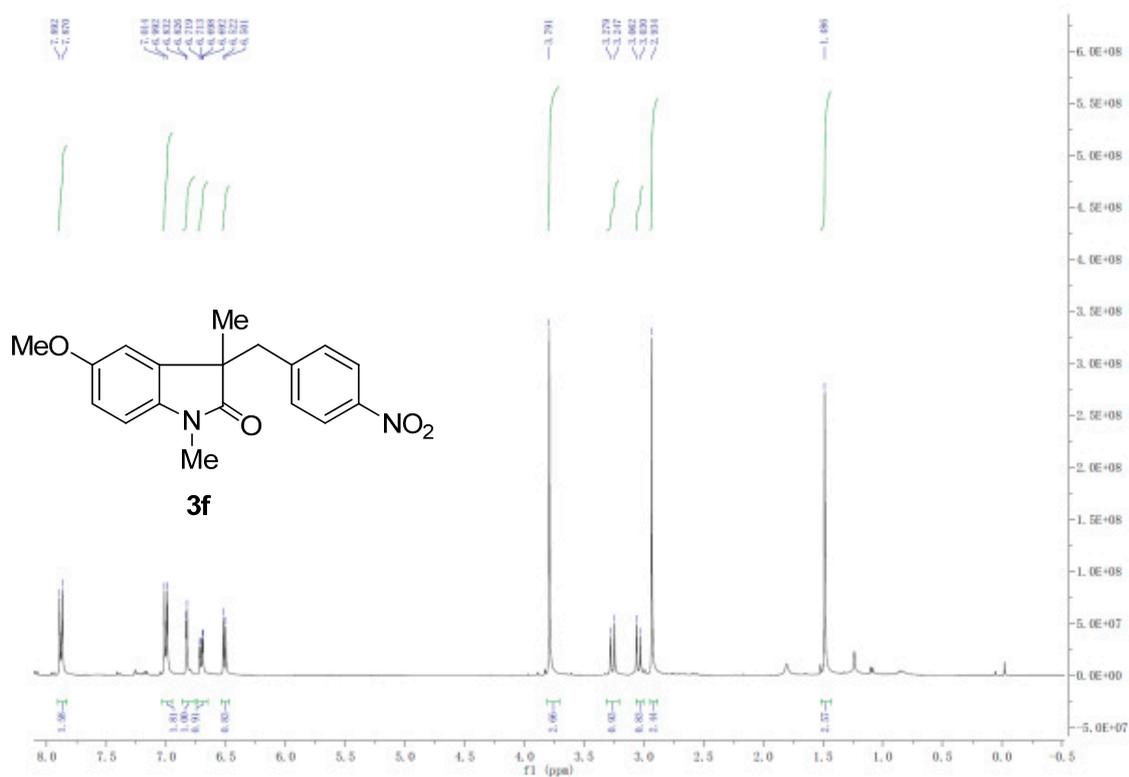


Figure S11. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectra of compound 3f.

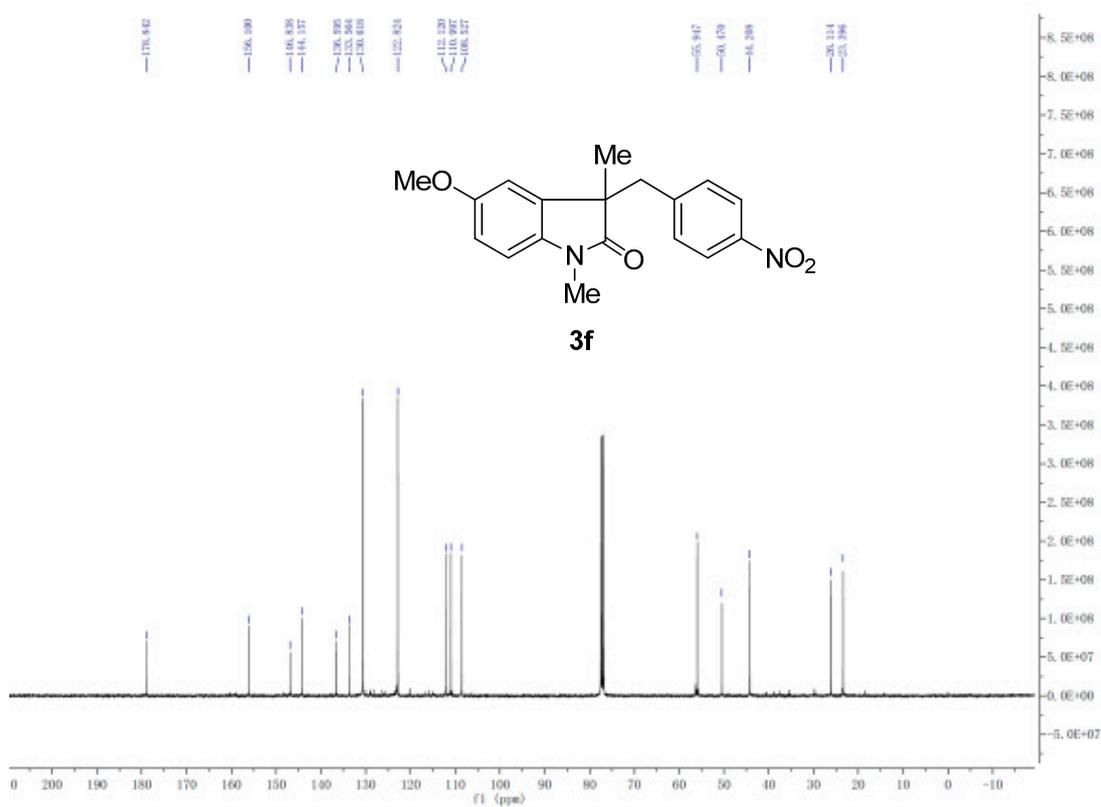


Figure S12. <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectra of compound 3f.

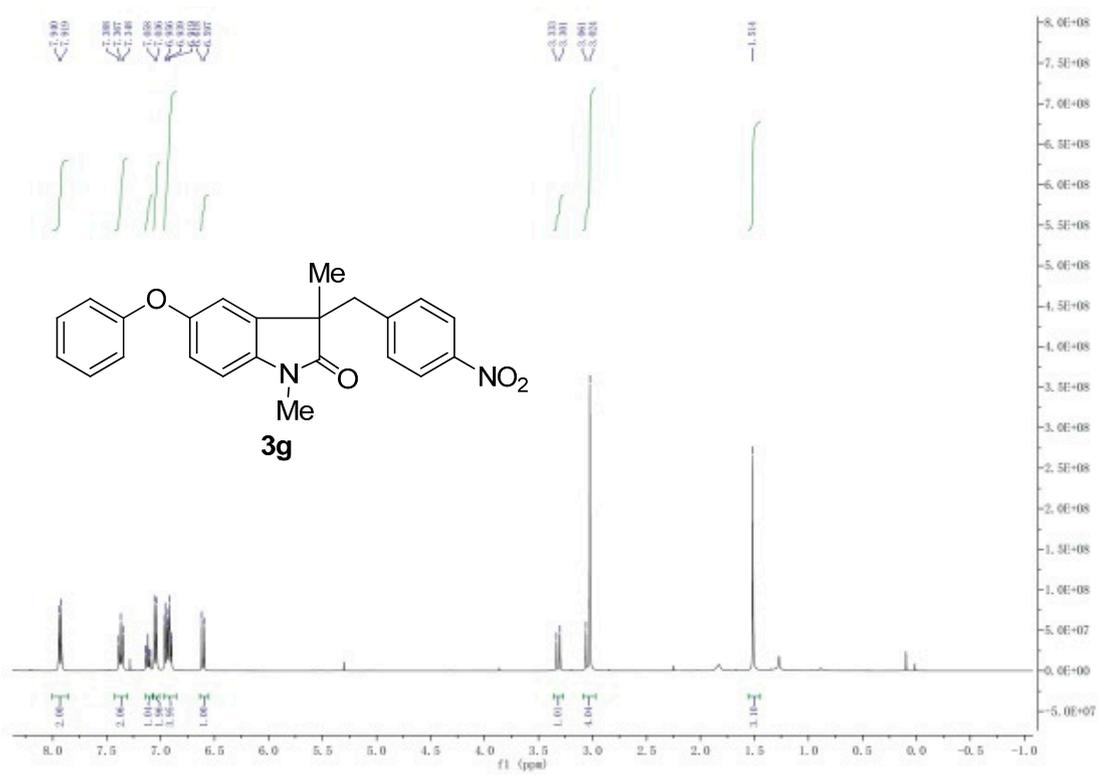


Figure S13. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectra of compound **3g**.

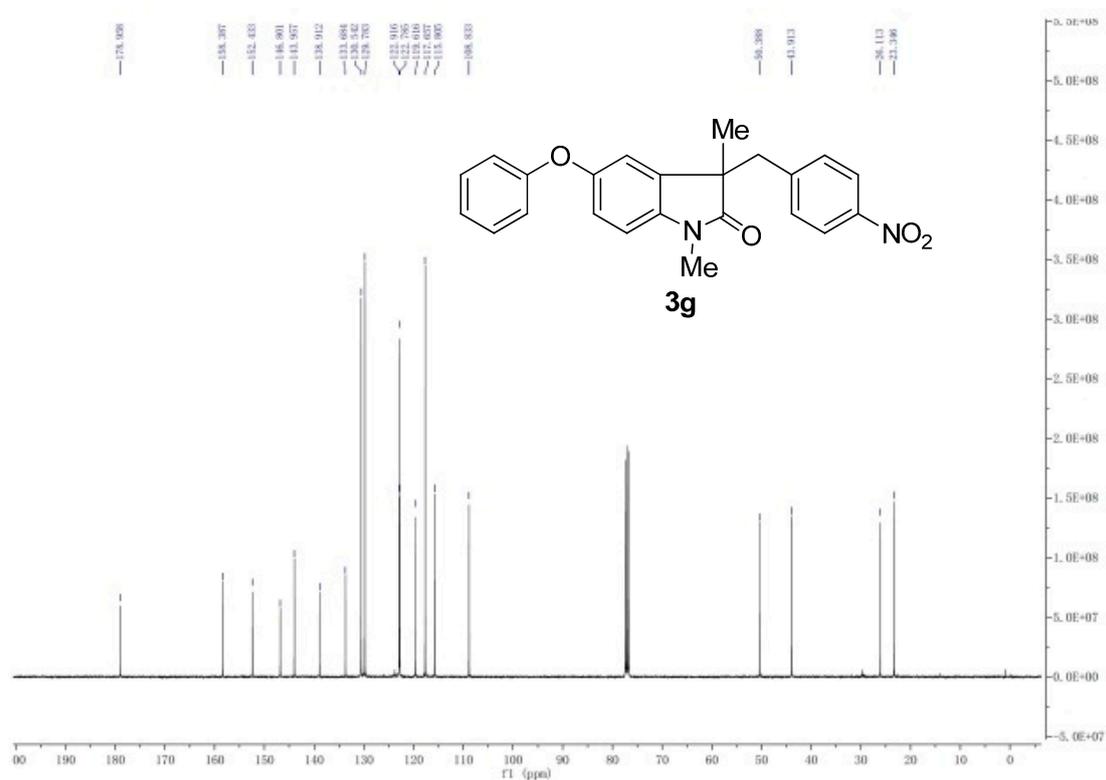
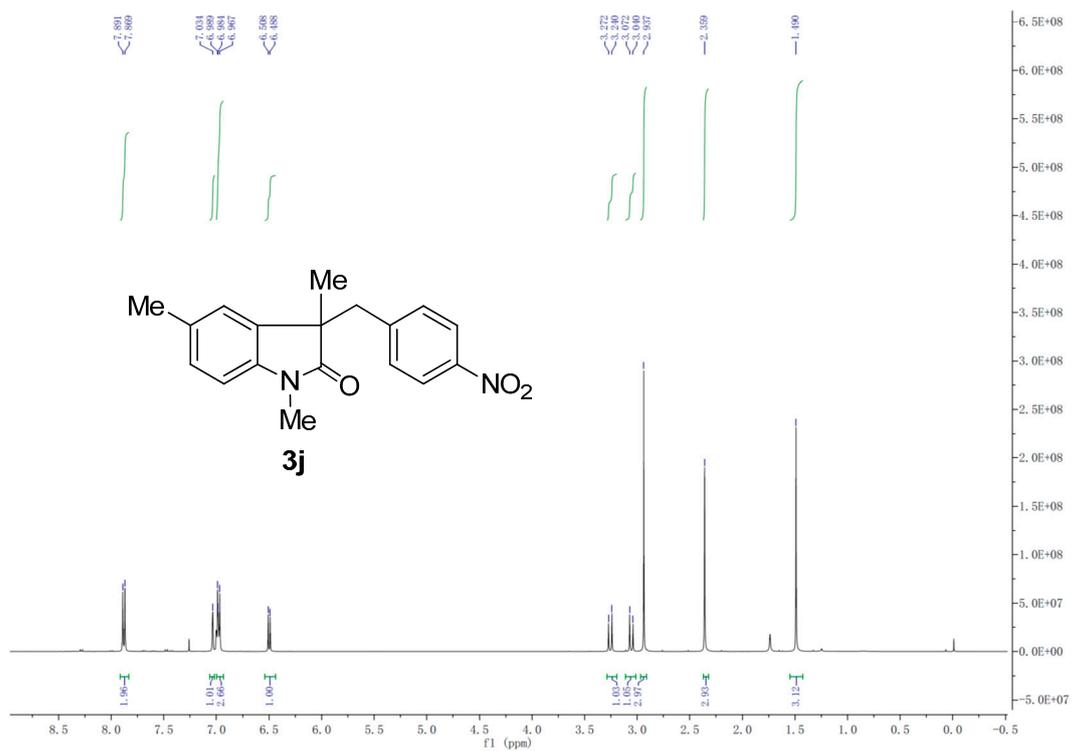


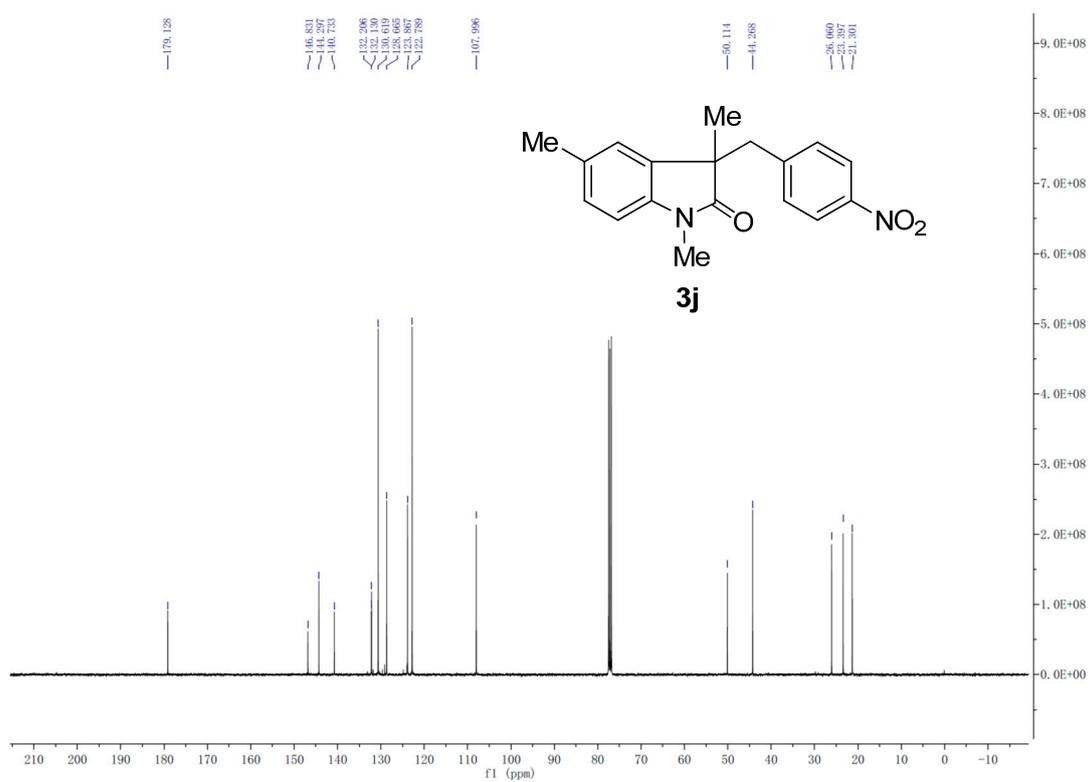
Figure S14. <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectra of compound **3g**.



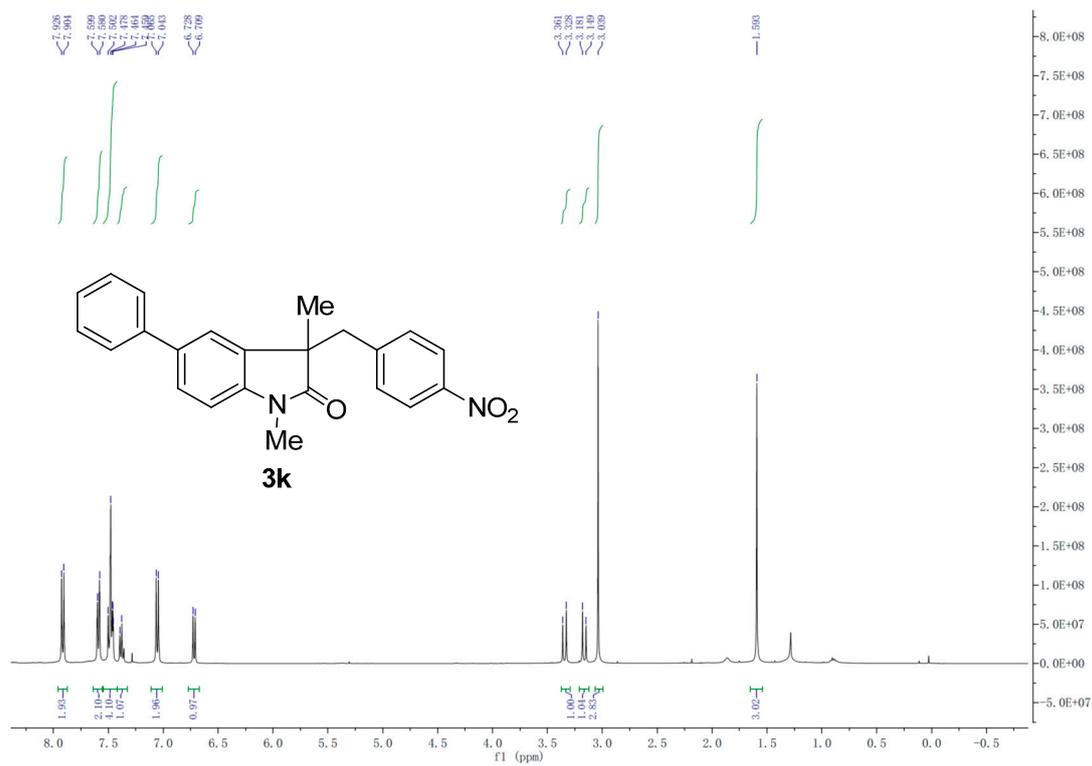




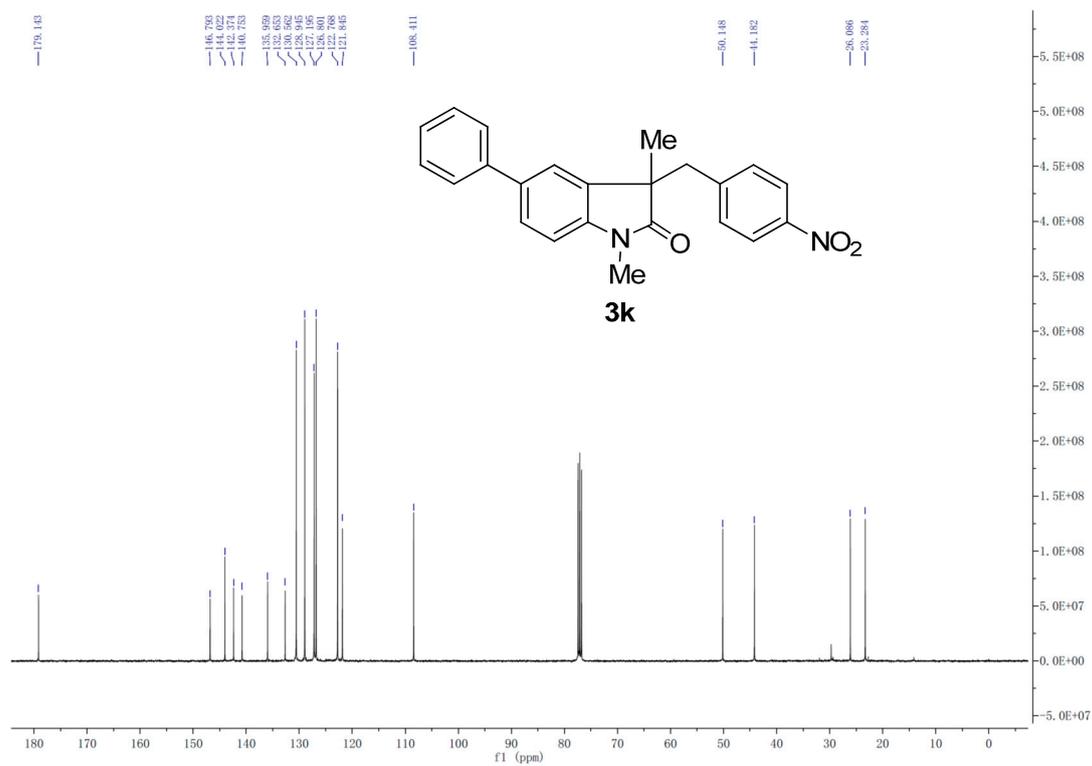
**Figure S19.**  $^1\text{H-NMR}$  spectra of compound **3j**.



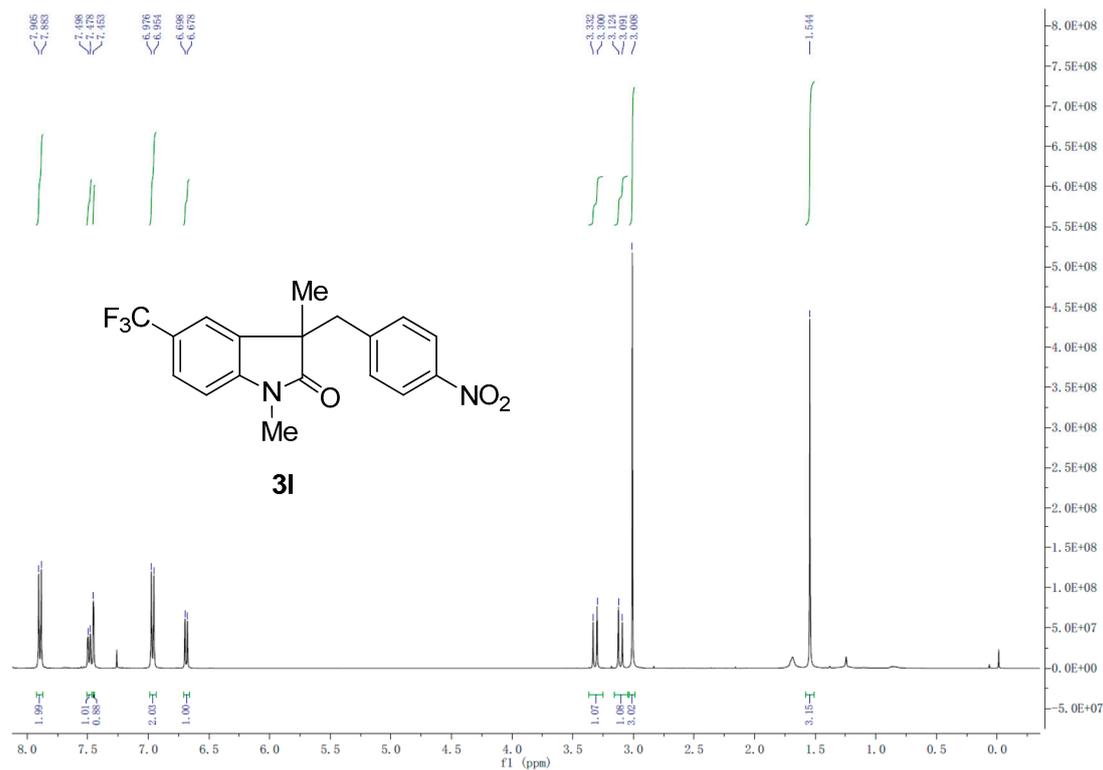
**Figure S20.**  $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$  spectra of compound **3j**.



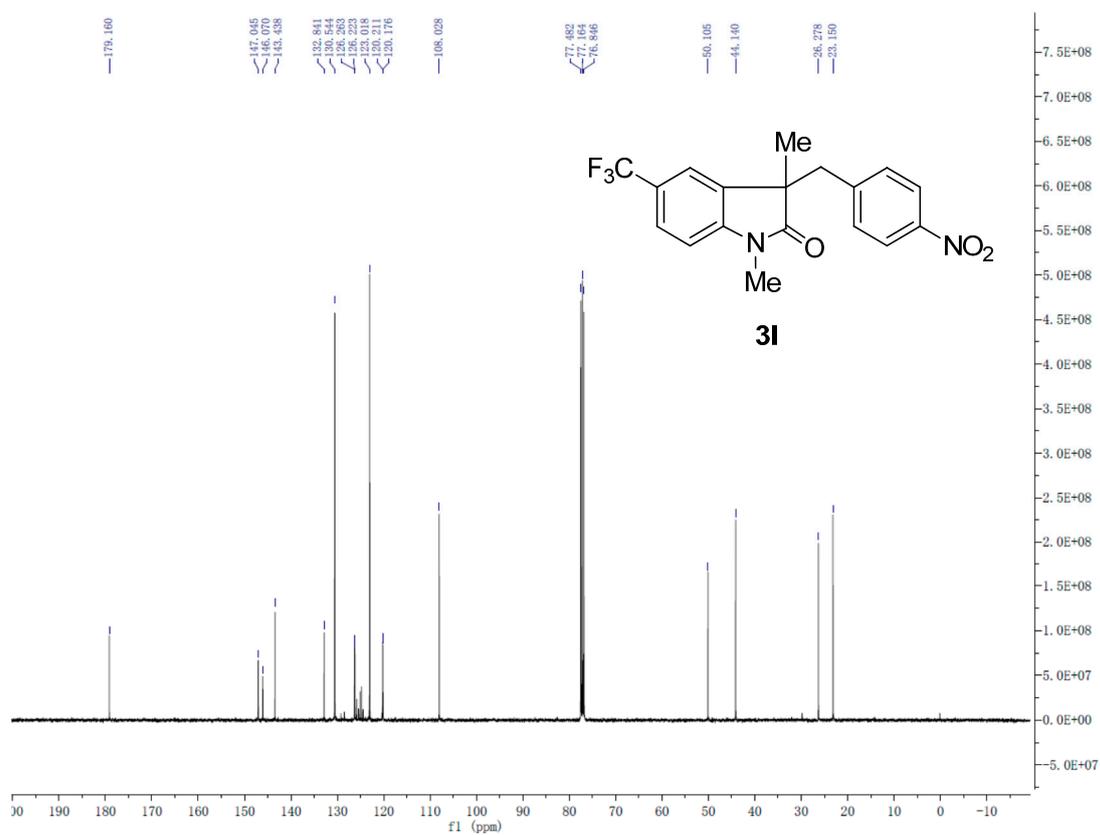
**Figure S21.**  $^1\text{H-NMR}$  spectra of compound **3k**.



**Figure S22.**  $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$  spectra of compound **3k**.



**Figure S23.**  $^1\text{H-NMR}$  spectra of compound **31**.



**Figure S24.**  $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$  spectra of compound **31**.

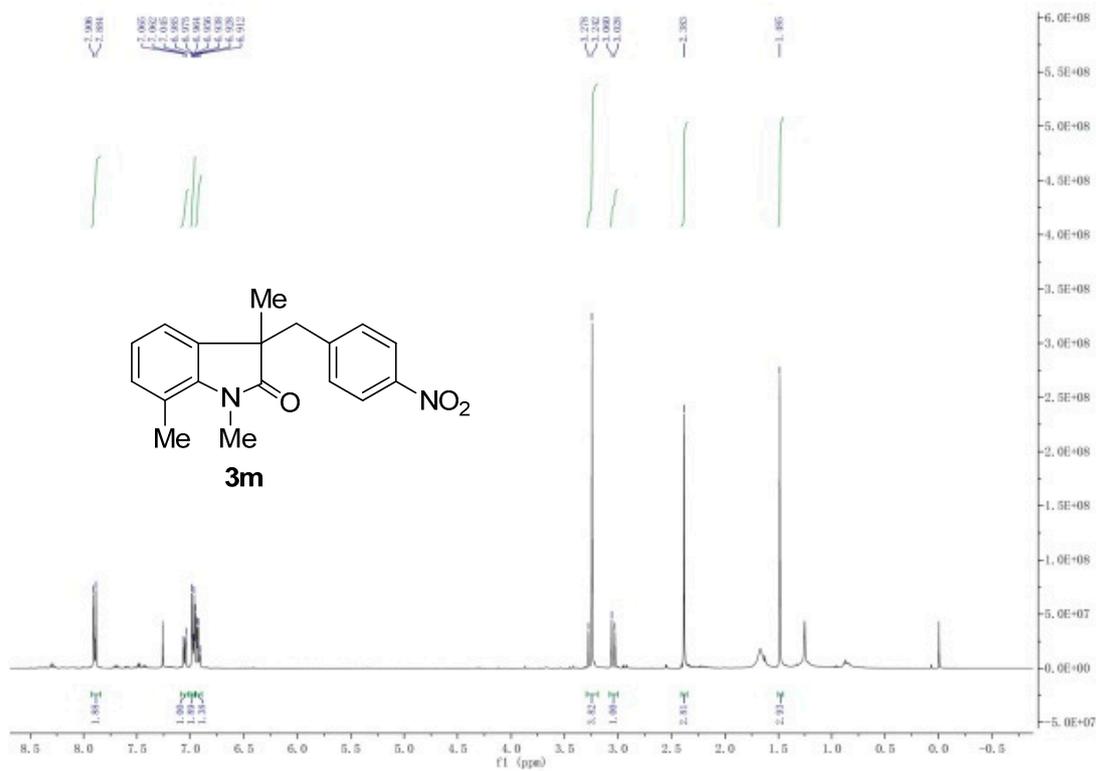


Figure S25. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectra of compound **3m**.

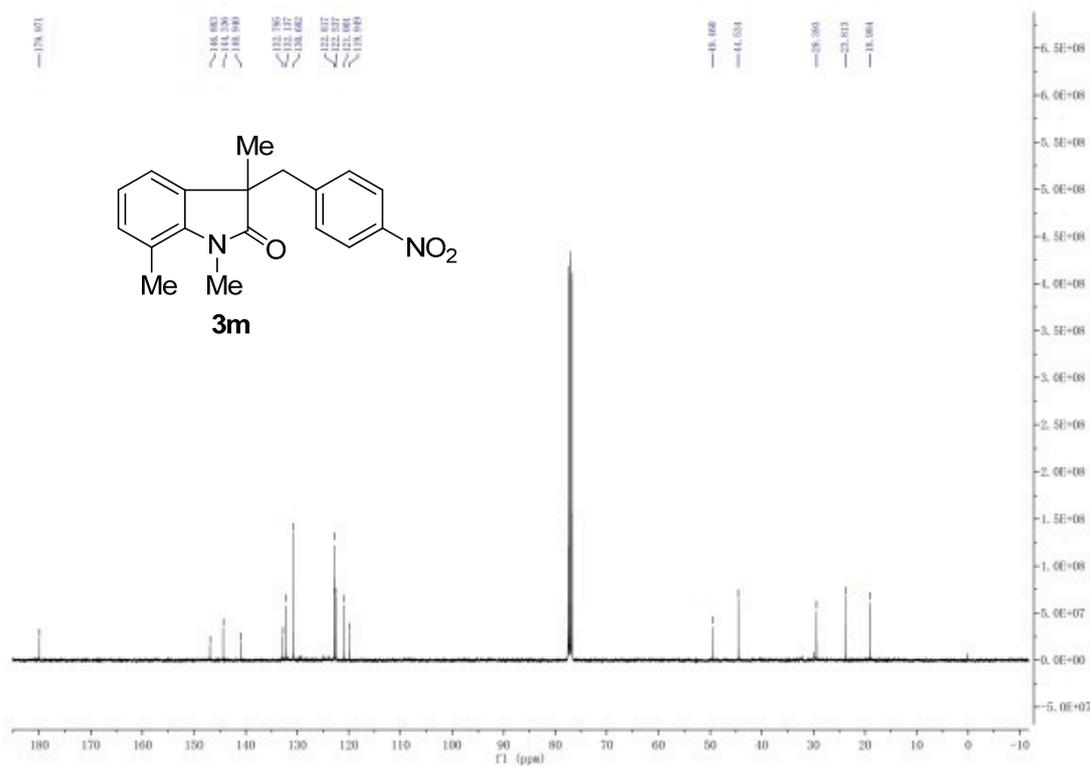
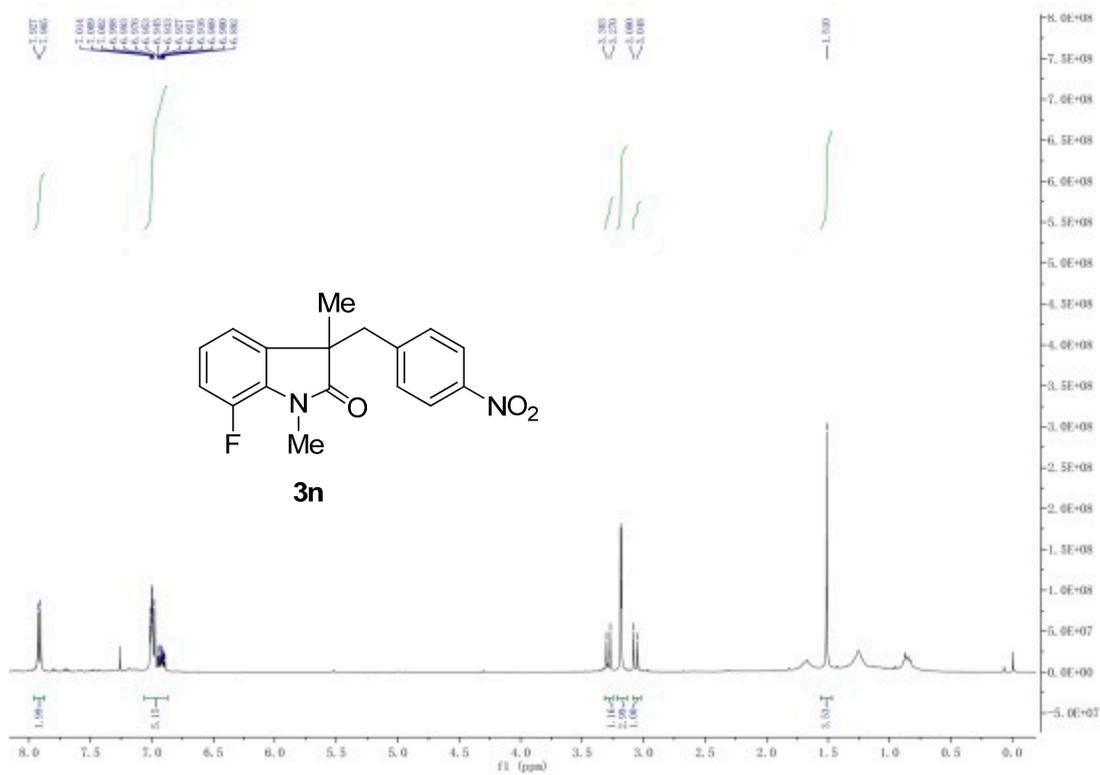
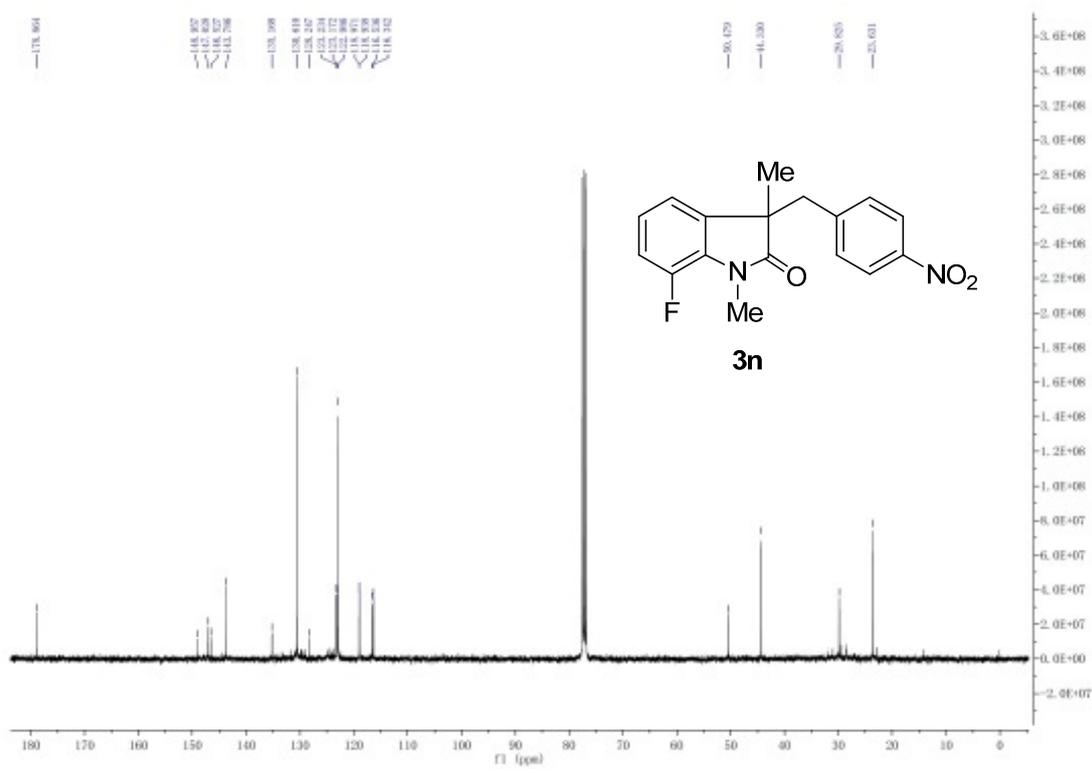
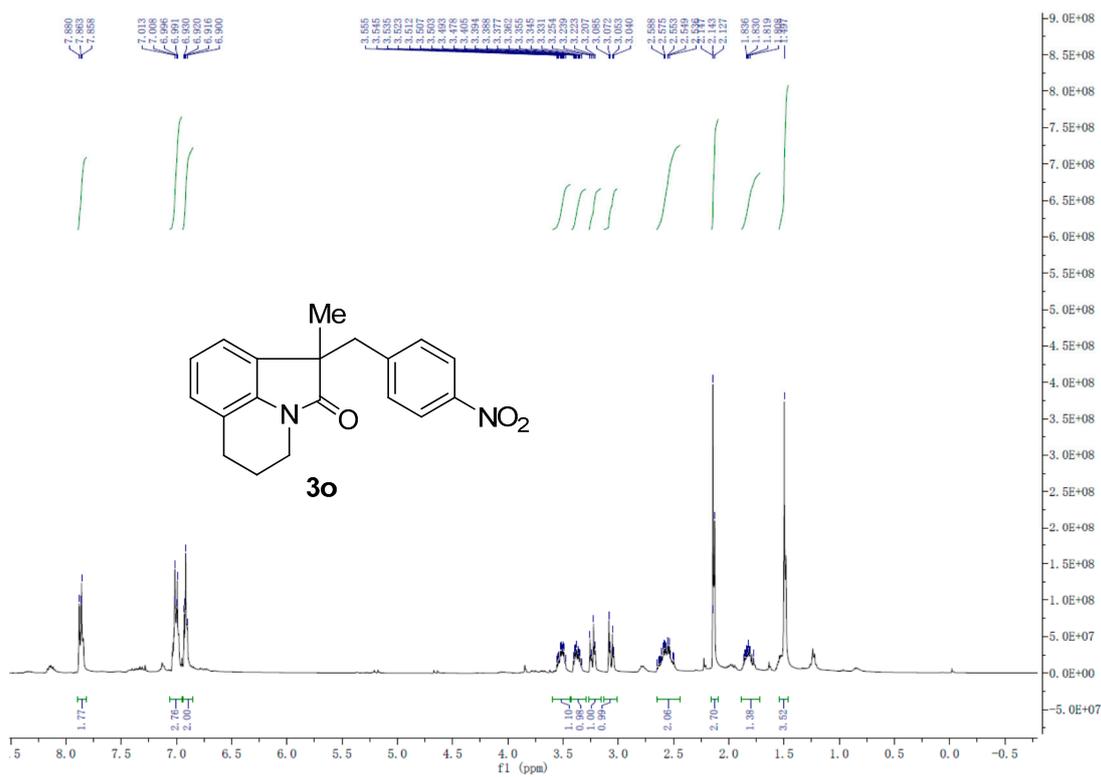
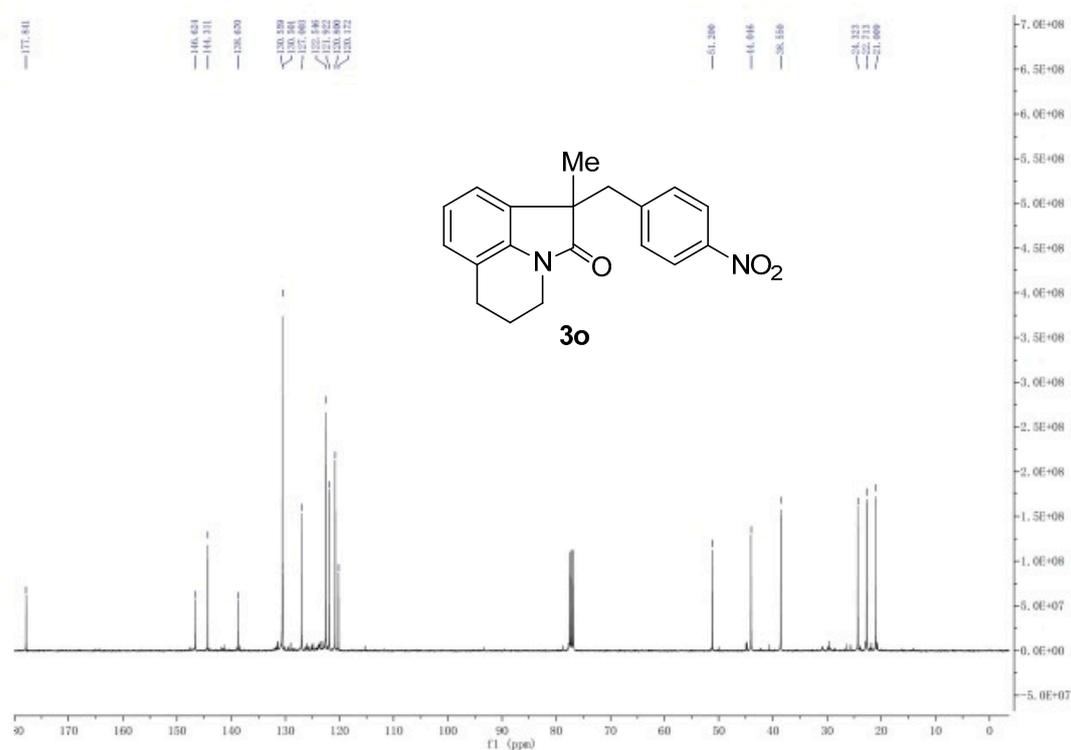


Figure S26. <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectra of compound **3m**.

Figure S27.  $^1\text{H-NMR}$  spectra of compound **3n**.Figure S28.  $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$  spectra of compound **3n**.



**Figure S29.**  $^1\text{H-NMR}$  spectra of compound **3o**.



**Figure S30.**  $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$  spectra of compound **3o**.

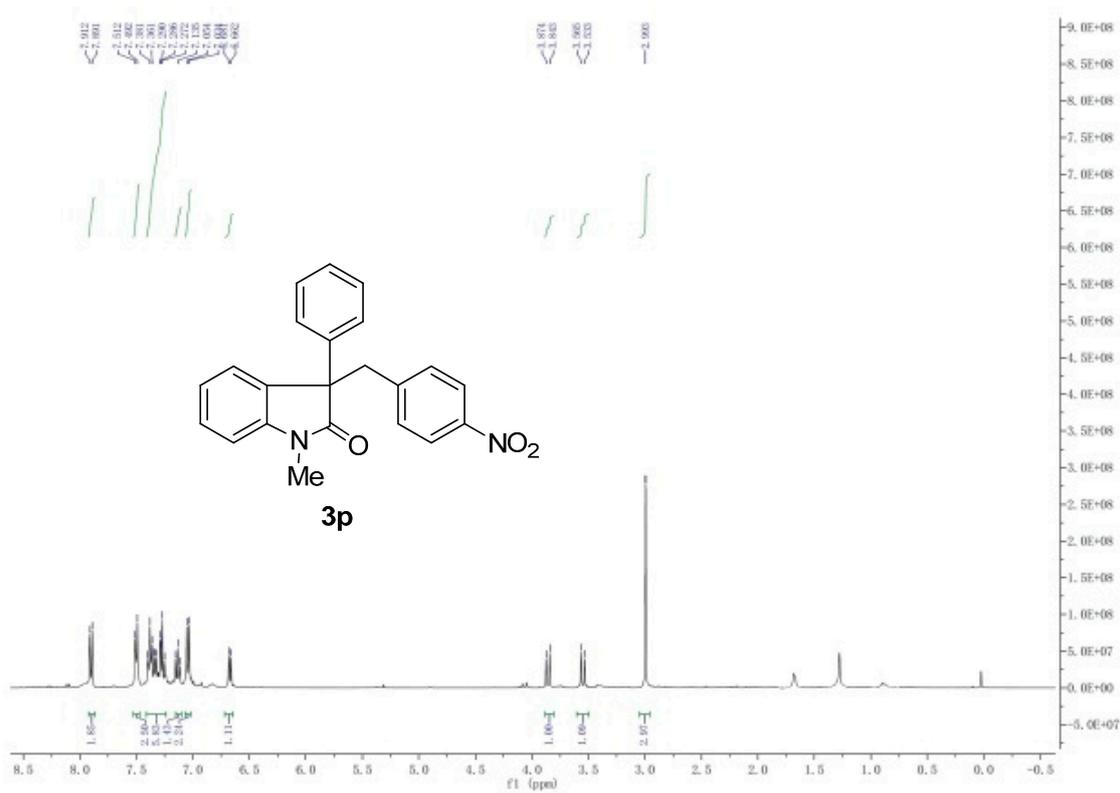


Figure S31. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectra of compound 3p.

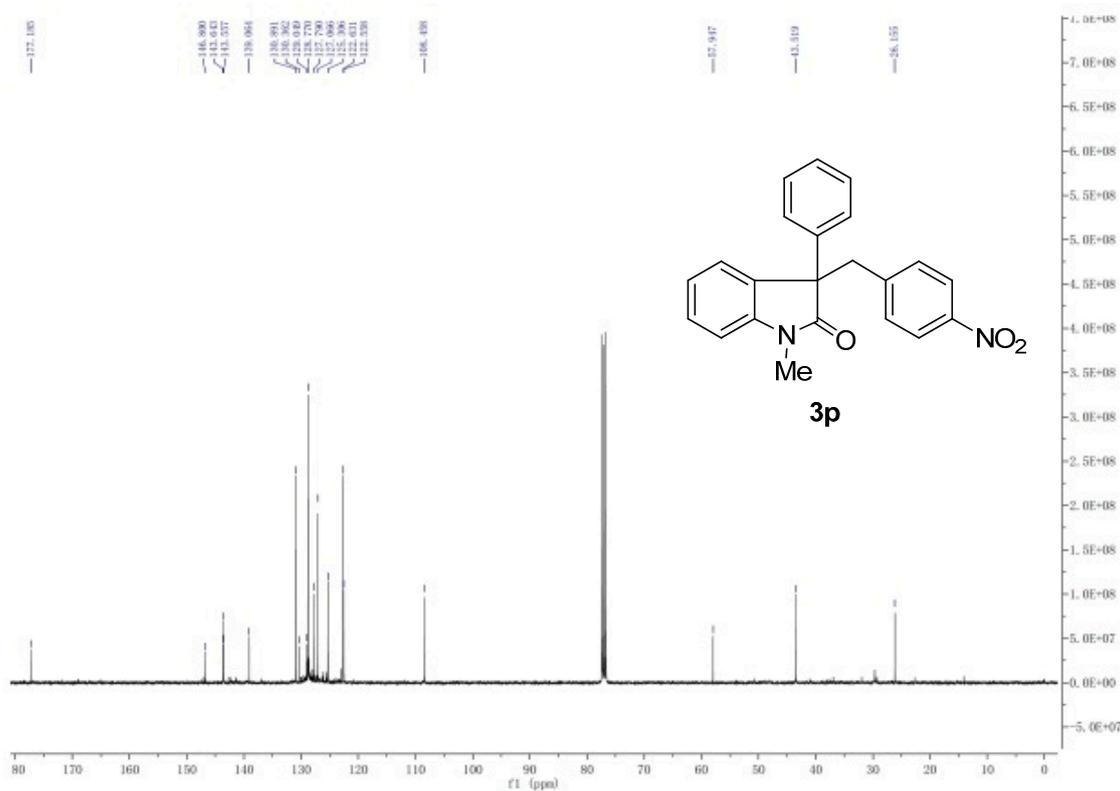
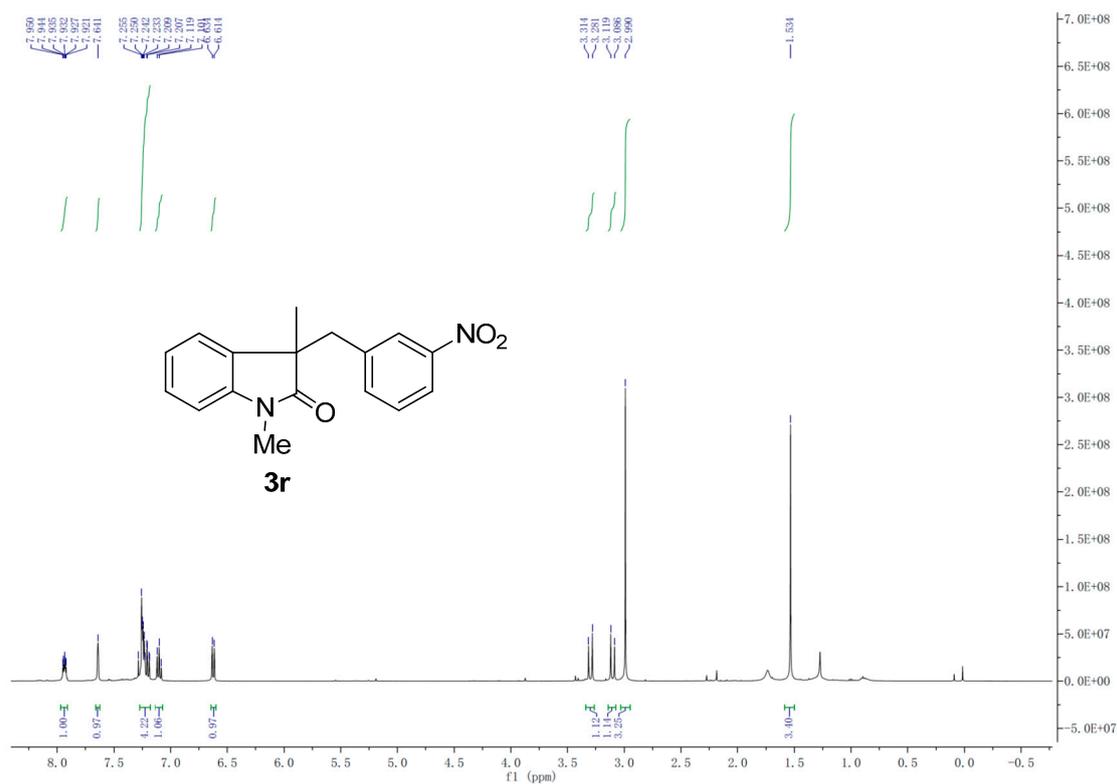
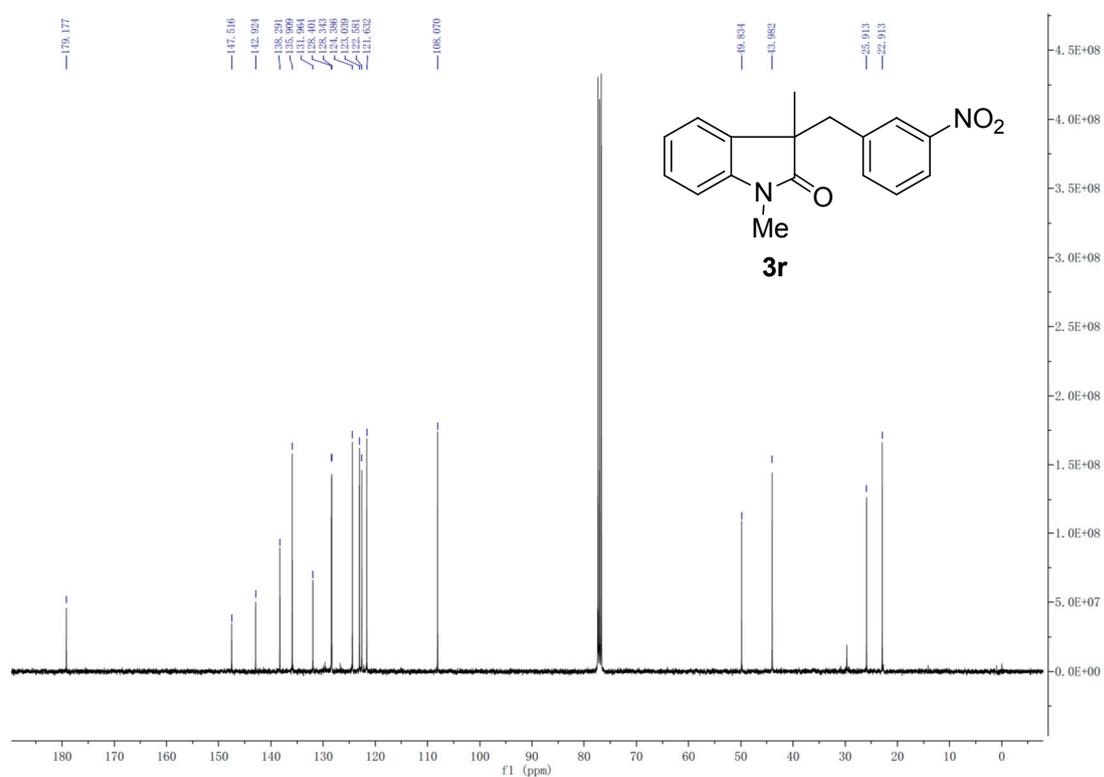


Figure S32. <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectra of compound 3p.



**Figure S33.**  $^1\text{H-NMR}$  spectra of compound **3r**.



**Figure S34.**  $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$  spectra of compound **3r**.