Supporting Information for the Paper

Cesium Carbonate-Catalyzed Reduction of Amides with Hydrosilanes

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Solvent Effects of the Reduction

Table S1. Solvent effect of Cs₂CO₃-catalyzed tertiary amides.^a

 a Reaction conditions: amide (3.0 mmol) with 49 mg of Cs₂CO₃ (5.0 mol%) in 325 mg (3.0 mmol) of PhSiH₃, 20 h. Conversion was determined by 1 H NMR spectroscopy of the crude reaction mixture. b Solvent-free. c 3.0 mL of the solvent used.

Investigation of the Possible Activation Mechanism

Scheme 1

¹HNMR spectrum indicated that no reaction took place under this condition.

$$K_2CO_3$$
 + PhSiH₃ $\xrightarrow{\text{neat, r.t.}}$ HCOO⁻ + undefined compounds (1 mmol) (2 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) (1 mmol, 1.0 equiv.)

Scheme 2

¹HNMR spectrum indicated that K₂CO₃ can react with PhSiH₃ in the presence of 18-crown-6 and the reaction generates formic anion.

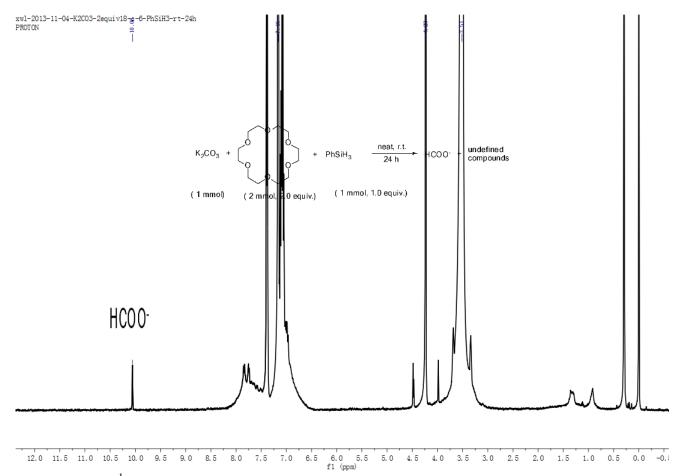


Figure S1. ¹H NMR spectrum of K₂CO₃ can react with PhSiH₃ in the presence of 18-crown-6.

The complete reduction can also be acheived using SiMe₃OK as the catalyst.

NMR Spectra of the Amides

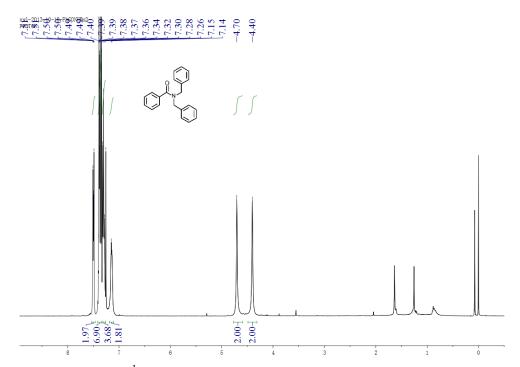


Figure S2. ¹H NMR spectrum of N,N-dibenzylbenzamide (c).

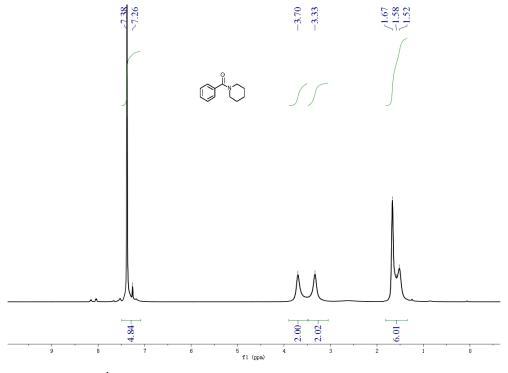


Figure S3. 1 H NMR spectrum of Phenyl(piperidin-1-yl)methanone (h).

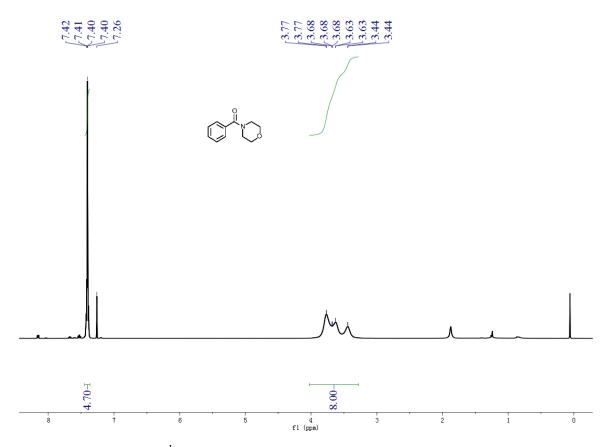


Figure S4. ¹H NMR spectrum of Morpholino(phenyl)methanone (i).

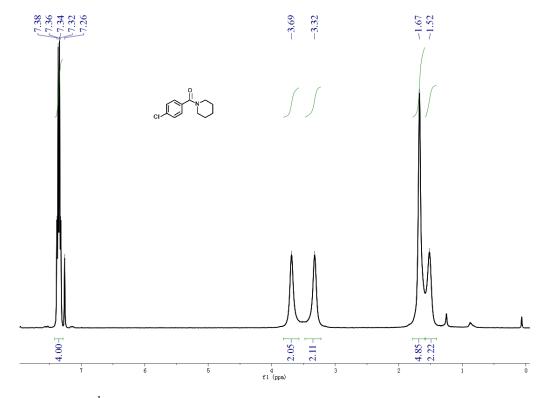


Figure S5. ¹H NMR spectrum of (4-chlorophenyl)(piperidin-1-yl)methanone (j).

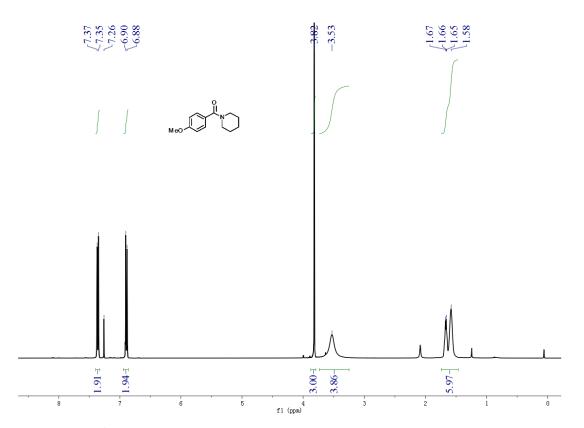


Figure S6. ¹H NMR spectrum of (4-methoxyphenyl)(piperidin-1-yl)methanone (k).

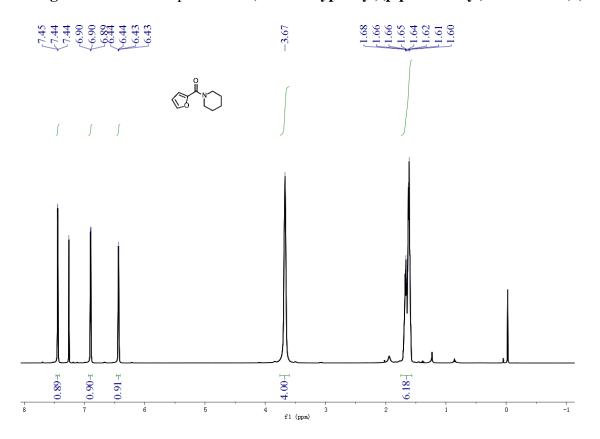


Figure S7. ¹H NMR spectrum of Furan-2-yl(piperidin-1-yl)methanone (l).

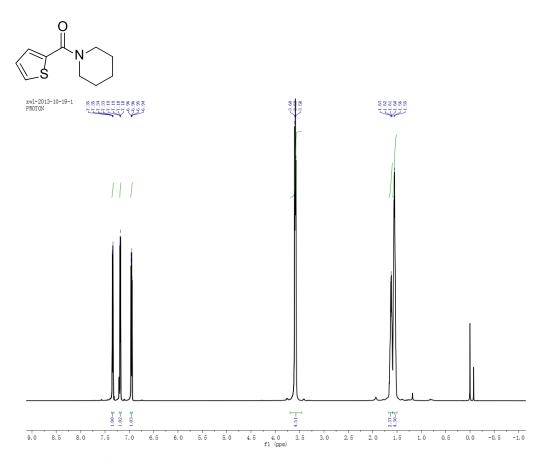


Figure S8. ¹H NMR spectrum of Piperidin-1-yl(thiophen-2-yl)methanone (m).

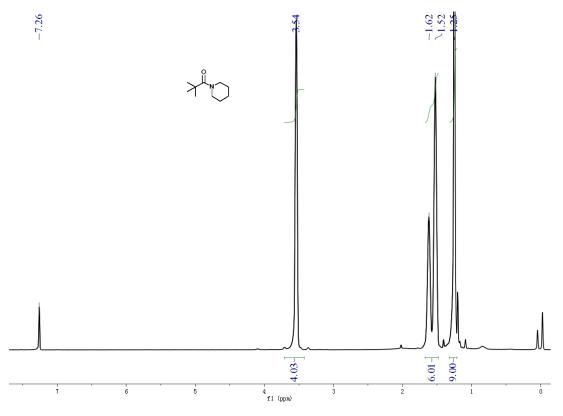


Figure S9. ¹H NMR spectrum of 2,2-dimethyl-1-(piperidin-1-yl)propan-1-one (o).

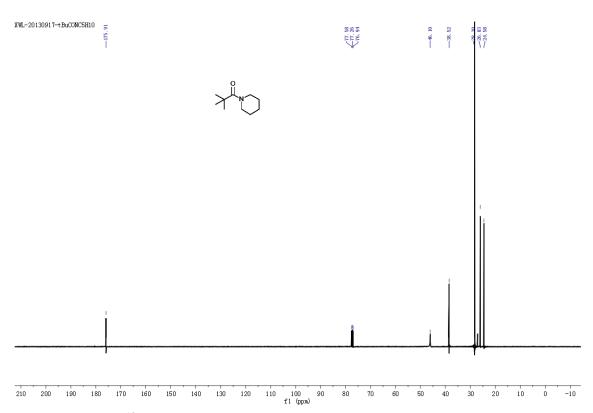


Figure S10. ¹³C NMR spectrum of 2,2-dimethyl-1-(piperidin-1-yl)propan-1-one (o).

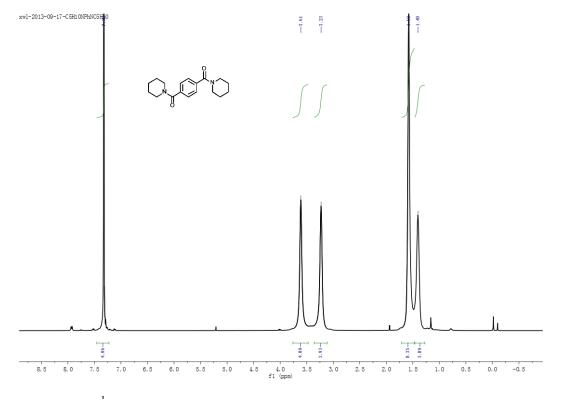


Figure S11. ¹H NMR spectrum of 1,4-phenylenebis(piperidin-1-ylmethanone) (p).

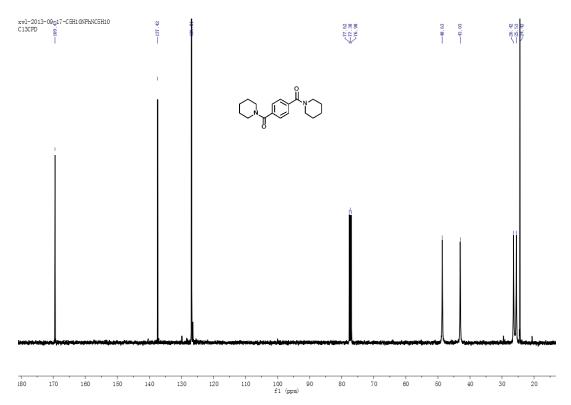


Figure S12. ¹³C NMR spectrum of 1,4-phenylenebis(piperidin-1-ylmethanone) (p).

NMR Spectra of the Amines.

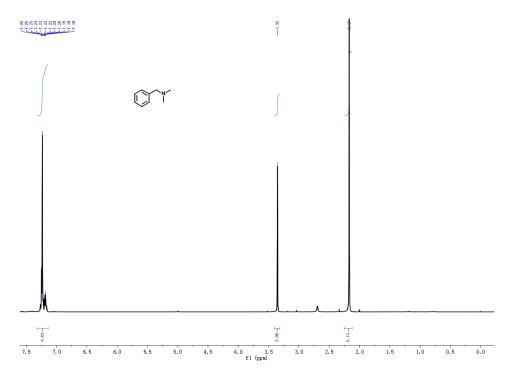


Figure S13. ¹H NMR spectrum of N,N-dimethyl-1-phenylmethanamine.

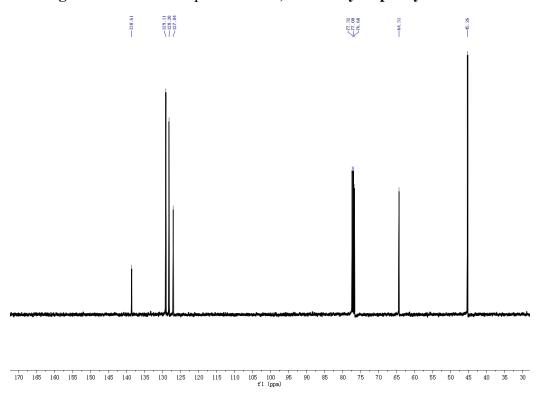


Figure S14. ¹³C NMR spectrum of N,N-dimethyl-1-phenylmethanamine.

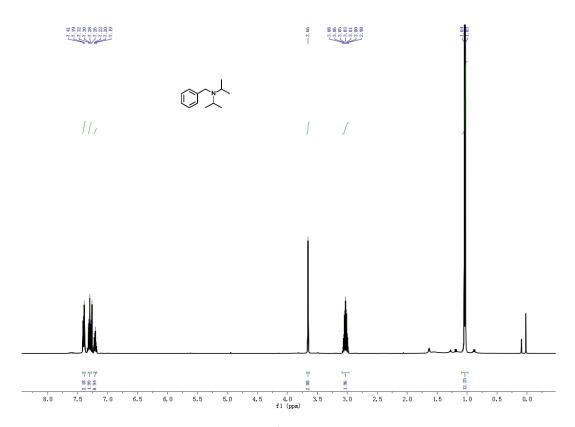


Figure S15. ¹H NMR spectrum of

N-benzyl-N-isopropylpropan-2-amine.

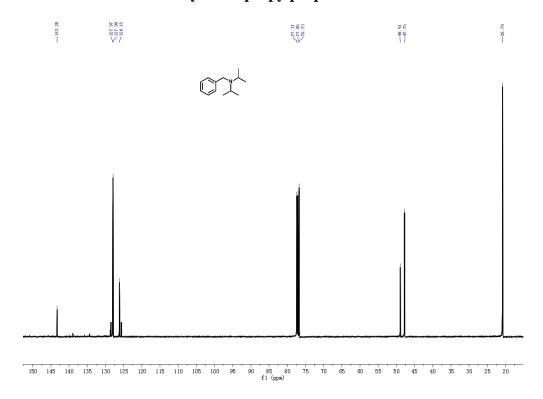


Figure S16. ¹³C NMR spectrum of N-benzyl-N-isopropylpropan-2-amine.

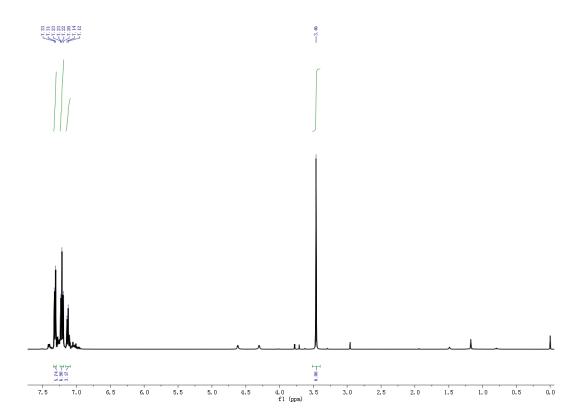


Figure S17. ¹H NMR spectrum of Tribenzylamine.

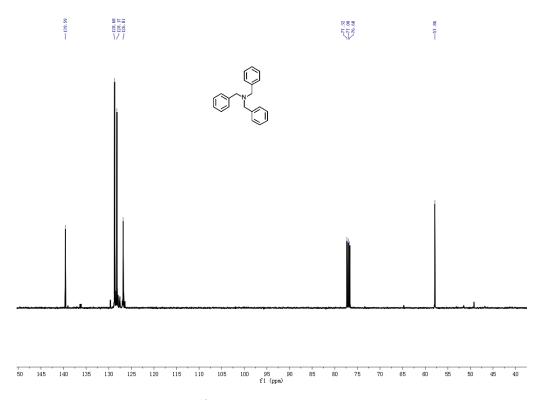


Figure S18. ¹³C NMR spectrum of **Tribenzylamine.** S12

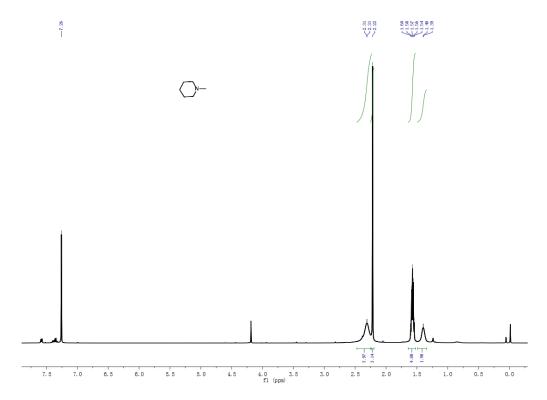


Figure S19. ¹H NMR spectrum of 1-methylpiperidine.

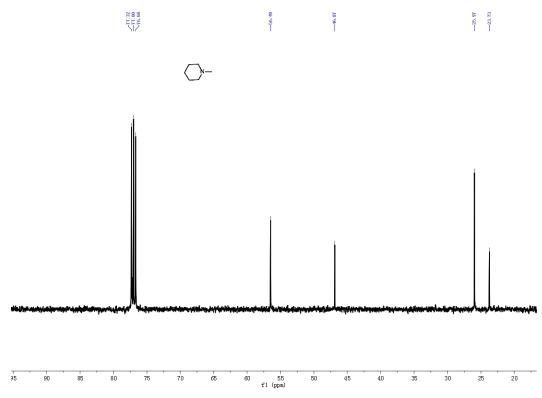


Figure S20. ¹³C NMR spectrum of 1-methylpiperidine.

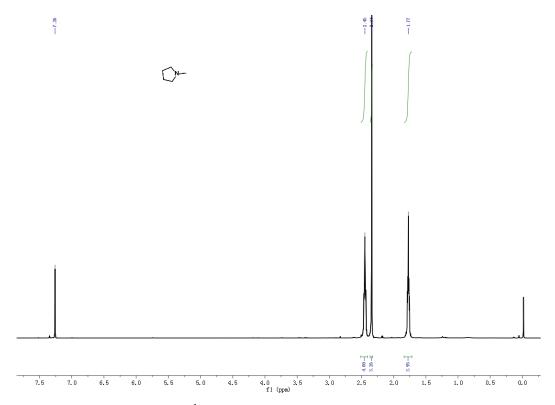


Figure S21. ¹H NMR spectrum of 1-methylpyrrolidine.

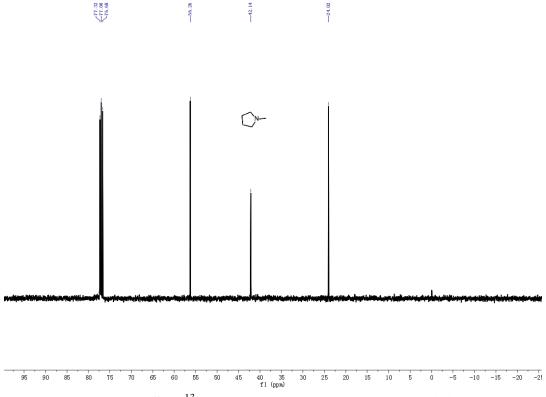


Figure S22. ¹³C NMR spectrum of 1-methylpyrrolidine.

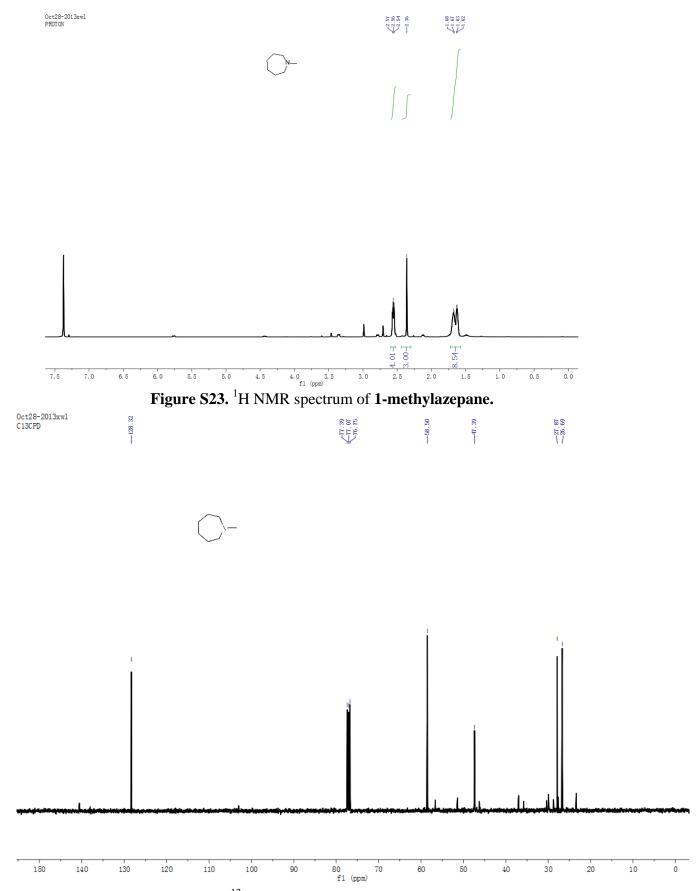


Figure S24. ¹³C NMR spectrum of 1-methylazepane.

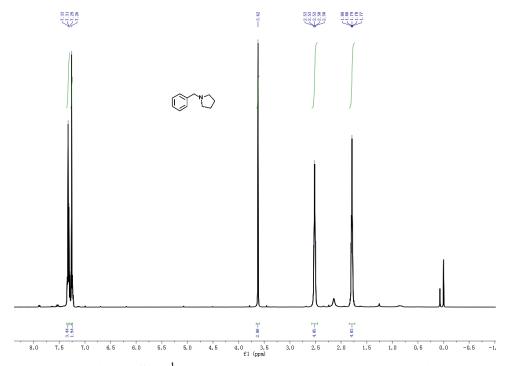


Figure S25. ¹H NMR spectrum of 1-benzylpyrrolidine.

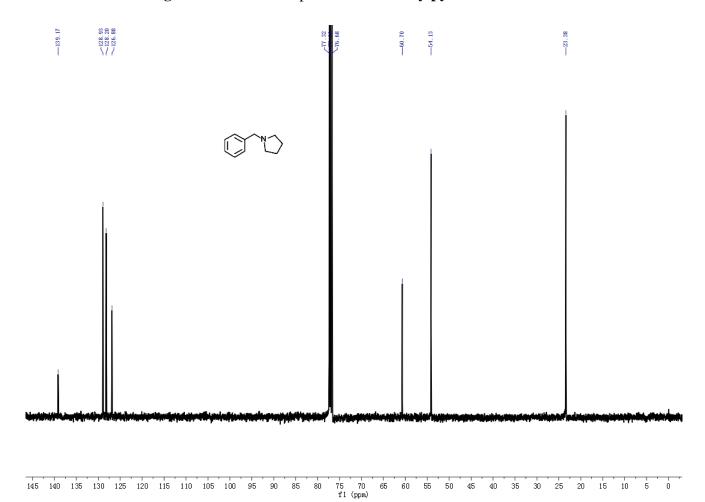


Figure S26. ¹³C NMR spectrum of 1-benzylpyrrolidine.

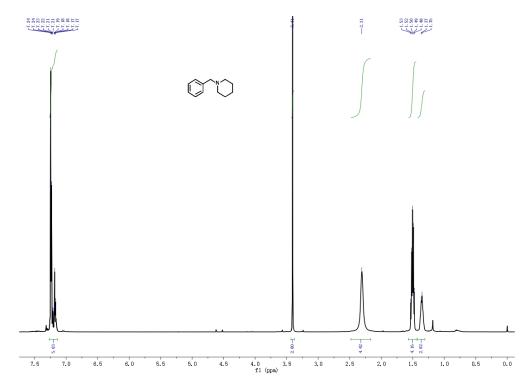


Figure S27. ¹H NMR spectrum of 1-benzylpiperidine.

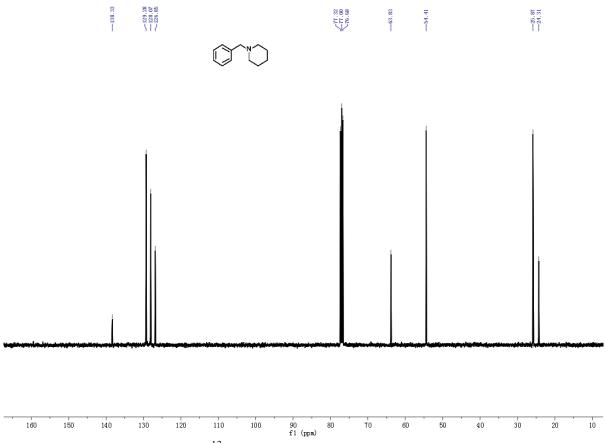


Figure S28. ¹³C NMR spectrum of 1-benzylpiperidine.

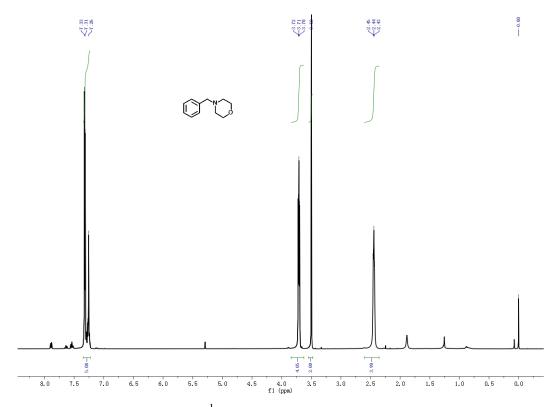


Figure S29. ¹H NMR spectrum of 4-benzylmorpholine.





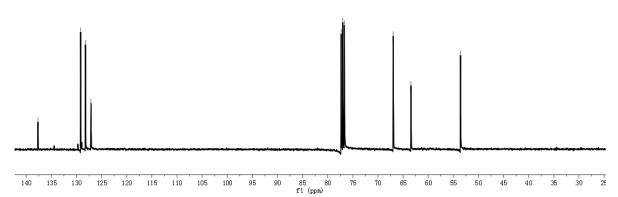


Figure S30. ¹³C NMR spectrum of 4-benzylmorpholine.

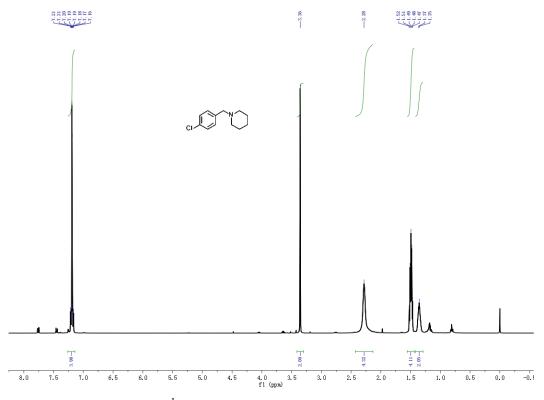


Figure S31. ¹H NMR spectrum of 1-(4-chlorobenzyl)piperidine.

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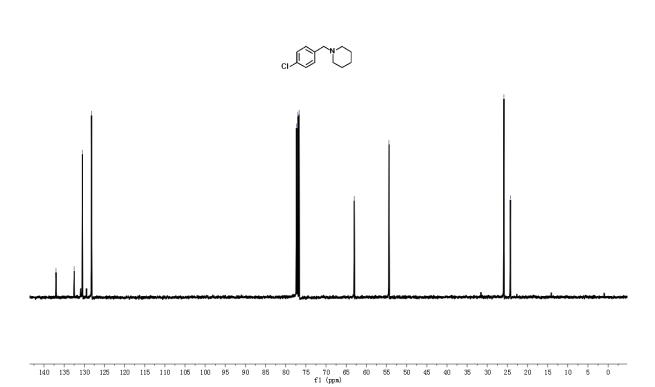


Figure S32. ¹³C NMR spectrum of 1-(4-chlorobenzyl)piperidine.

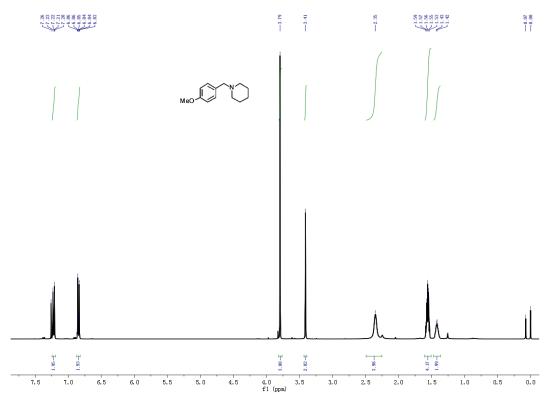


Figure S33. ¹H NMR spectrum of 1-(4-methoxybenzyl)piperidine.

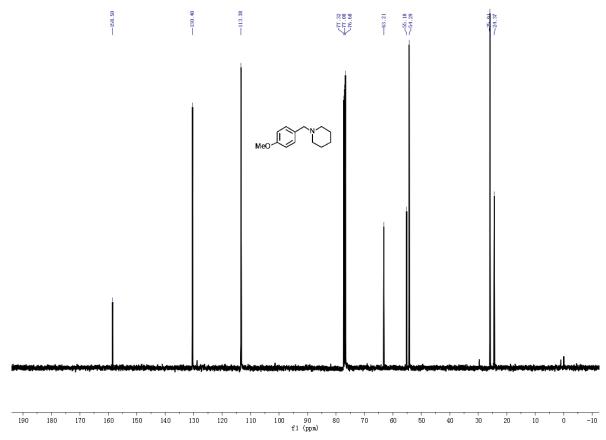


Figure S34. ¹³C NMR spectrum of 1-(4-methoxybenzyl)piperidine.

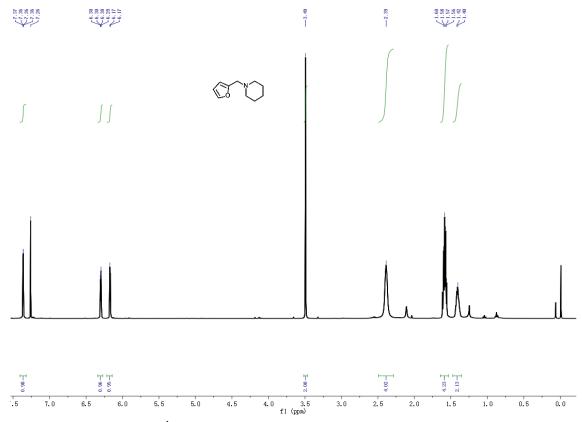


Figure S35. ¹H NMR spectrum of 1-(furan-2-ylmethyl)piperidine.

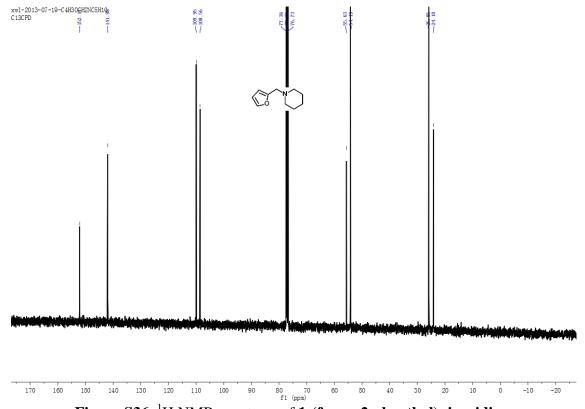


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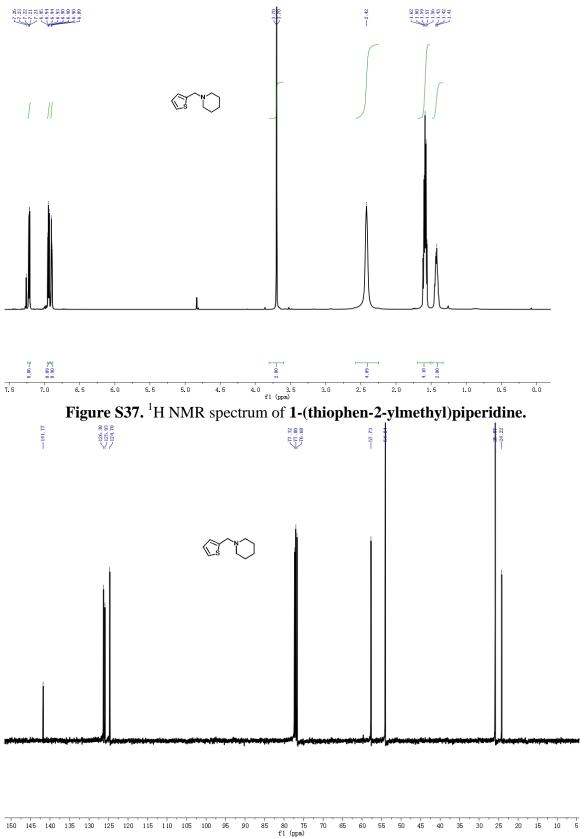
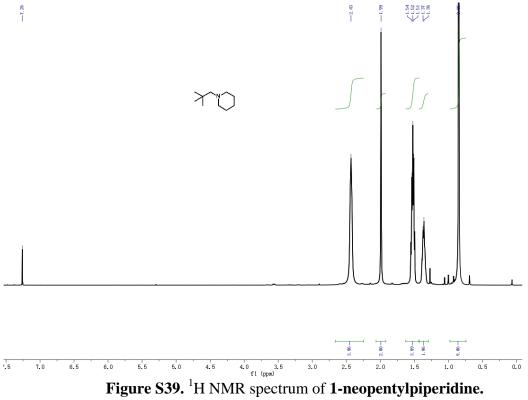


Figure S38. ¹³C NMR spectrum of 1-(thiophen-2-ylmethyl)piperidine.



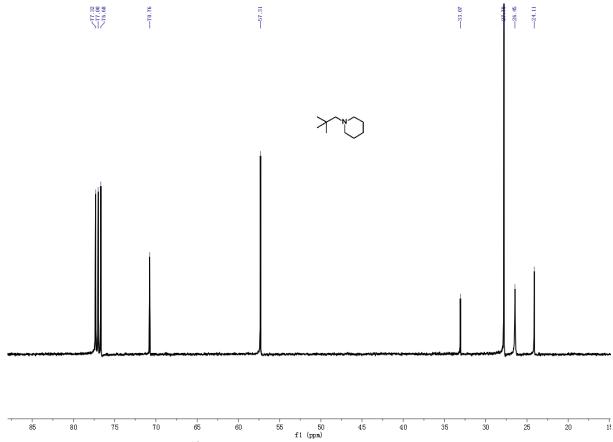


Figure S40. ¹³C NMR spectrum of 1-neopentylpiperidine.

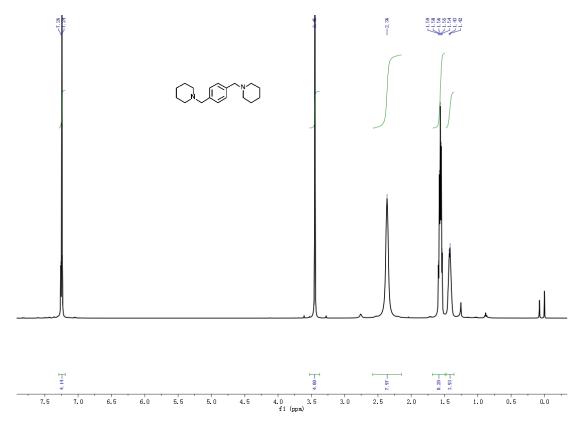


Figure S41. ¹H NMR spectrum of 1,4-bis(piperidin-1-ylmethyl)benzene.

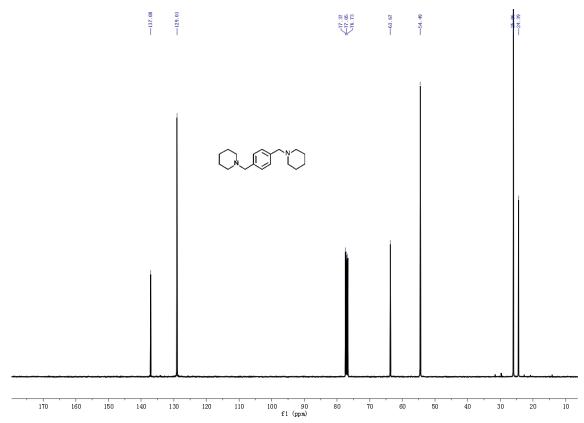


Figure S42. ¹³C NMR spectrum of 1,4-bis(piperidin-1-ylmethyl)benzene.