

**Direct and Highly Diastereoselective Synthesis of 3,4-Epoxy-2-Piperidones.
Application to the Total Synthesis and Absolute Configurational Assignment of 3 α ,4 α -
Epoxy-5 β -Pipermethystine**

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General considerations: Unless otherwise stated, ^1H NMR and ^{13}C NMR spectra were obtained in a 500 MHz spectrometer. All samples were analyzed in CDCl_3 with TMS as internal reference using a relative scale in parts per million (ppm) for the chemical shift.

Single-Crystal X-ray Diffraction Analysis.

Single crystals of compounds **13**, (*1'S,3R,4R,5S*)-**20** and (*1'S,3S,4S,5R*)-**20** were grown from solutions in CH_2Cl_2 and hexanes. Single-crystal X-ray diffraction studies were carried out on an Agilent Technologies SuperNova diffractometer equipped with a CCD area detector (EosS2) using Cu-K α radiation ($\lambda = 1.54184 \text{ \AA}$). Frames were collected at $T = 293 \text{ K}$ for **13** and $T = 100 \text{ K}$ for the remaining compounds. The measured intensities were reduced to F^2 and corrected for absorption using spherical harmonics (CrysAlisPro).¹ Intensities were corrected for Lorentz and polarization effects. Structure solution, refinement, and data output were performed with the OLEX2² program package using SHELXT-2014³ for the structure solution and SHELXL-2008⁴ for the refinement. Non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically. All hydrogen atoms were placed in geometrically calculated positions using the riding model. Figures were created with Diamond.⁵

Crystallographic data for the crystal structure have been deposited with the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre as supplementary publications no. 1576887–1576889. Copies of the data can be obtained free of charge on application to CCDC, 12 Union Road, Cambridge CB2 1EZ, UK (fax: (+44)1223-336-033; e-mail: deposit@ccdc.cam.ac.uk, <http://www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk>).

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Table 1. Selected crystallographic data for compounds **13**, (1'S,3R,4R,5S)-**20** and (1'S,3S,4S,5R)-**20**.

| Crystal data ^[a] | 13 | (1'S,3R,4R,5S)- 20 | (1'S,3S,4S,5R)- 20 |
|---------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| Formula | C ₁₇ H ₁₉ NO ₅ | C ₁₄ H ₁₇ NO ₄ | C ₁₄ H ₁₇ NO ₄ |
| MW (g mol ⁻¹) | 317.33 | 263.28 | 263.28 |
| Space group | P2 ₁ | P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁ | P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁ |
| Temp. (K) | 292 | 100 | 100 |
| <i>a</i> (Å) | 9.66134(17) | 6.32903(9) | 6.38939(11) |
| <i>b</i> (Å) | 5.45597(10) | 8.54815(13) | 7.59037(13) |
| <i>c</i> (Å) | 14.8724(2) | 23.7167(4) | 26.8562(5) |
| α (°) | 90.0 | 90.0 | 90.0 |
| β (°) | 93.7727(16) | 90.0 | 90.0 |
| γ (°) | 90.0 | 90.0 | 90.0 |
| <i>V</i> (Å ³) | 1797.12(8) | 1283.11(3) | 1302.47(4) |
| <i>Z</i> | 2 | 4 | 4 |
| μ (mm ⁻¹) | 0.827 | 0.829 | 0.817 |
| ρ_{calcd} (g cm ⁻³) | 1.347 | 1.363 | 1.343 |
| <i>R</i> ^[b, c] | 0.0332 | 0.0297 | 0.0304 |
| <i>R_w</i> ^[d, e] | 0.0904 | 0.0743 | 0.0785 |
| <i>GOF</i> | 1.049 | 1.025 | 1.070 |
| CCDC | 1576888 | 1576887 | 1576889 |

[a] $\lambda_{\text{MoK}\alpha} = 0.71073 \text{ \AA}$. [b] $F_o > 4\sigma(F_o)$. [c] $R = \Sigma||F_o| - |F_c|| / \Sigma|F_o|$. [d] all data.

[e] $R_w = [\sum w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2 / \sum w(F_o^2)]^{1/2}$.

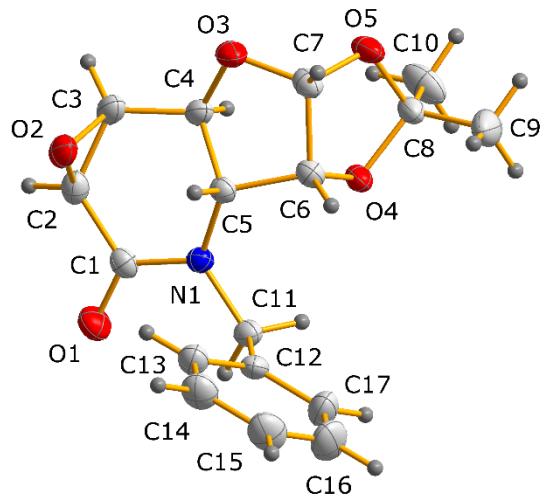


Figure S1. Perspective view of the molecular structure of compound **13**. Ellipsoids are drawn at the 30% probability level.

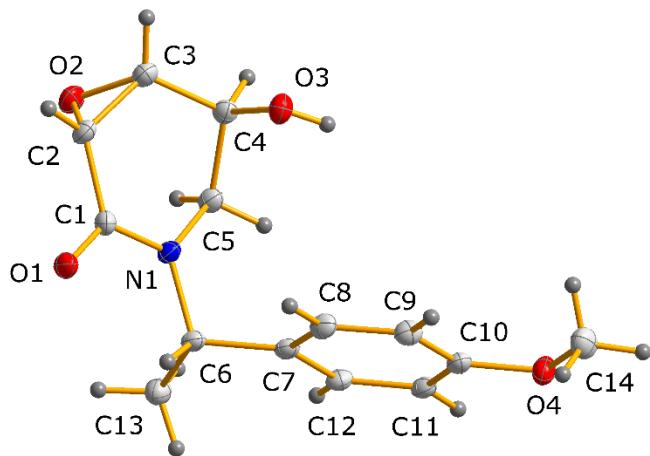


Figure S2. Perspective view of the molecular structure of compound **(1'S,3R,4R,5S)-20**. Ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level.

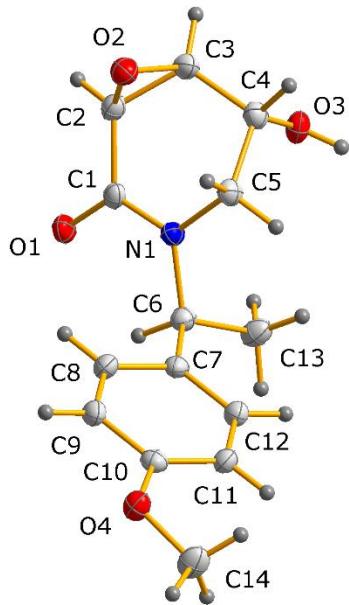
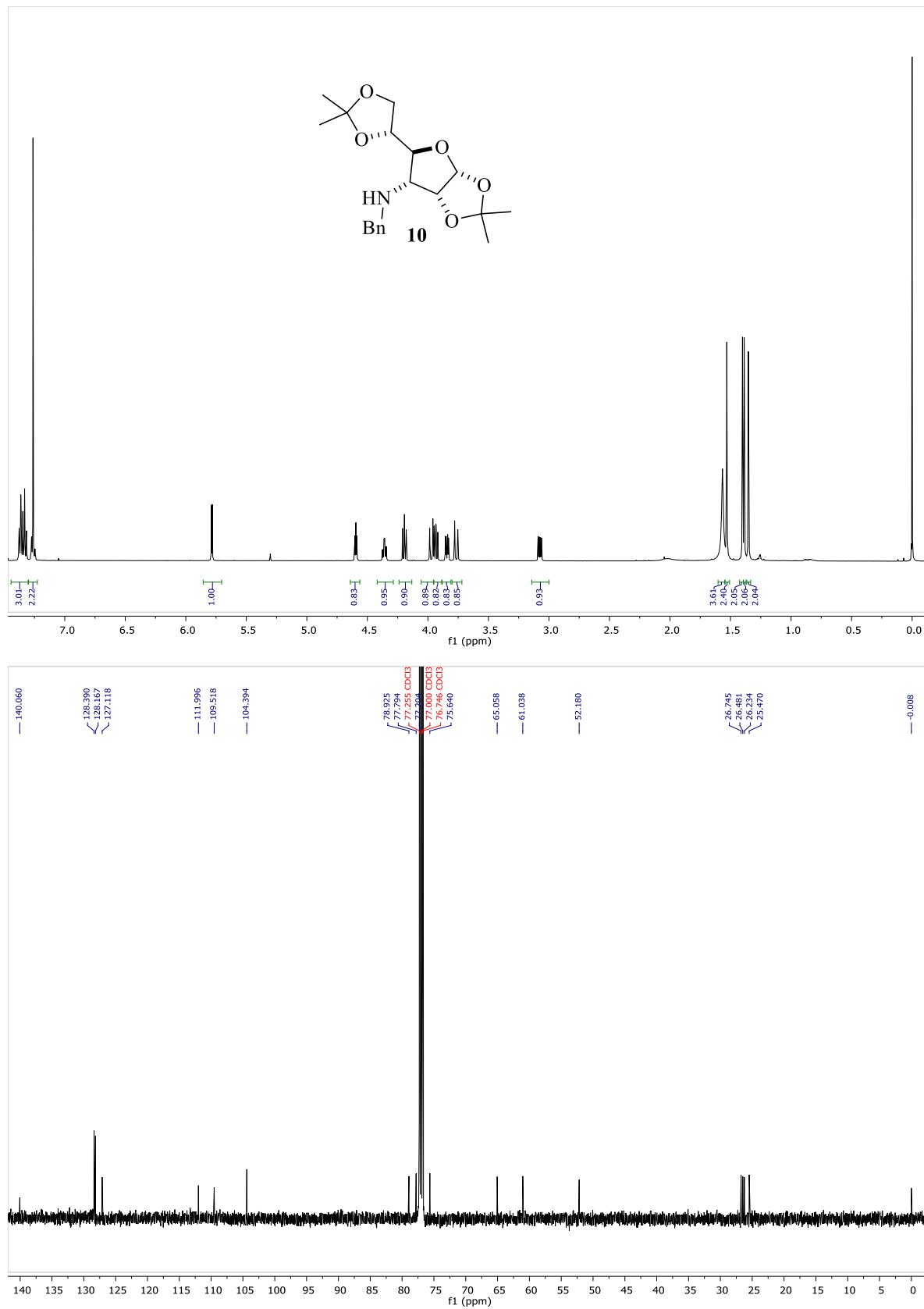
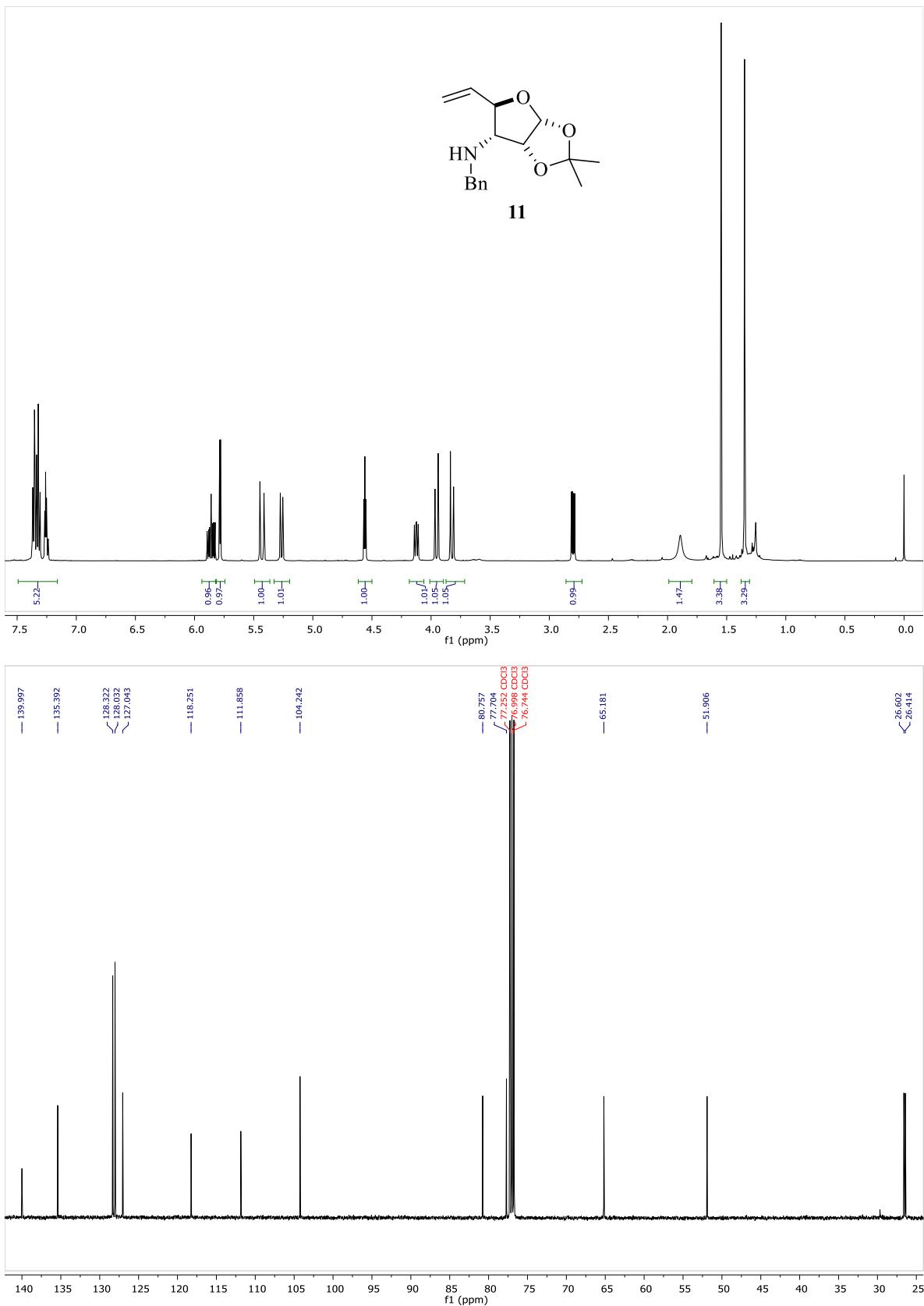


Figure S3. Perspective view of the molecular structure of compound (1'*S*,3*S*,4*S*,5*R*)-**20**. Ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level.

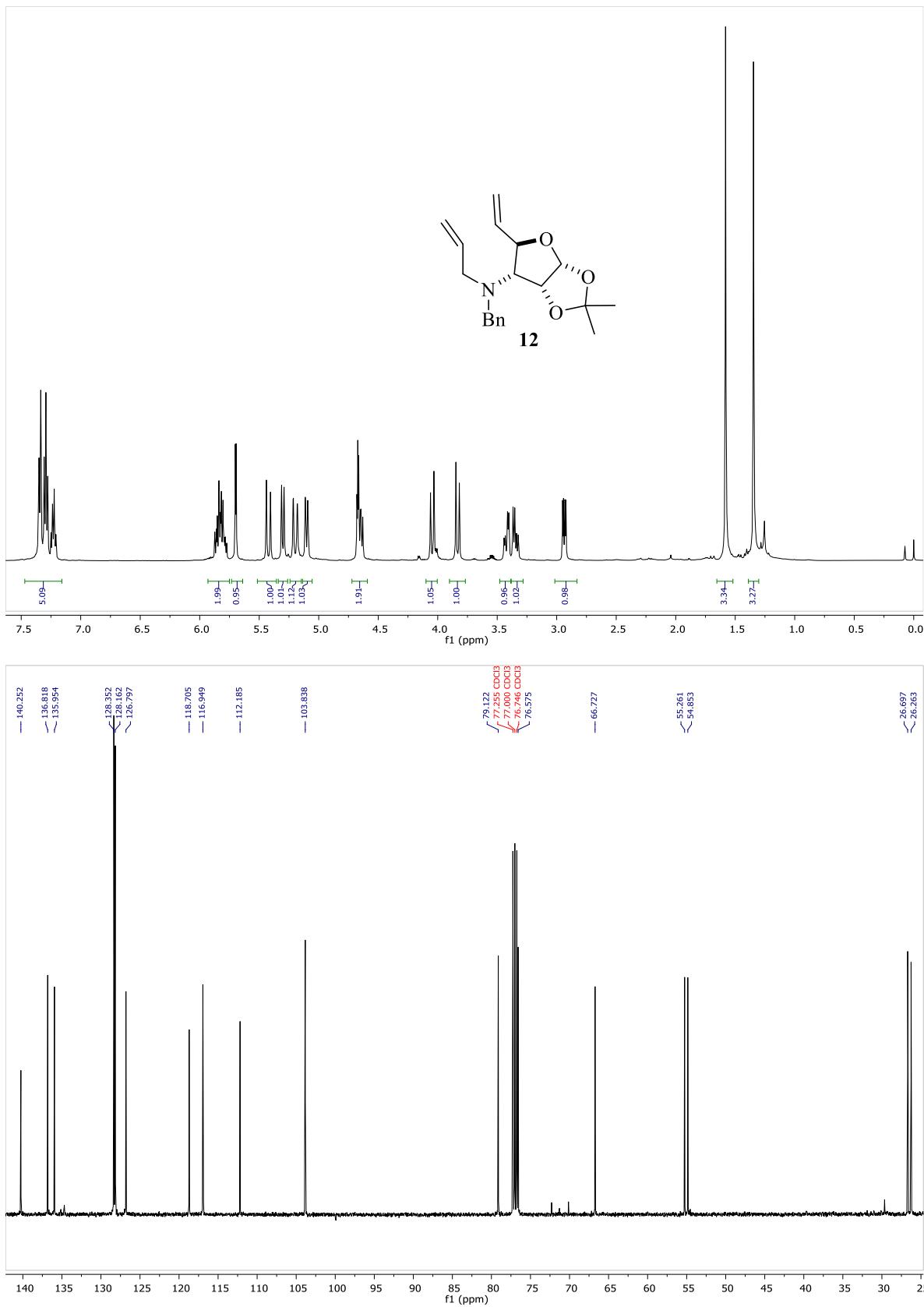
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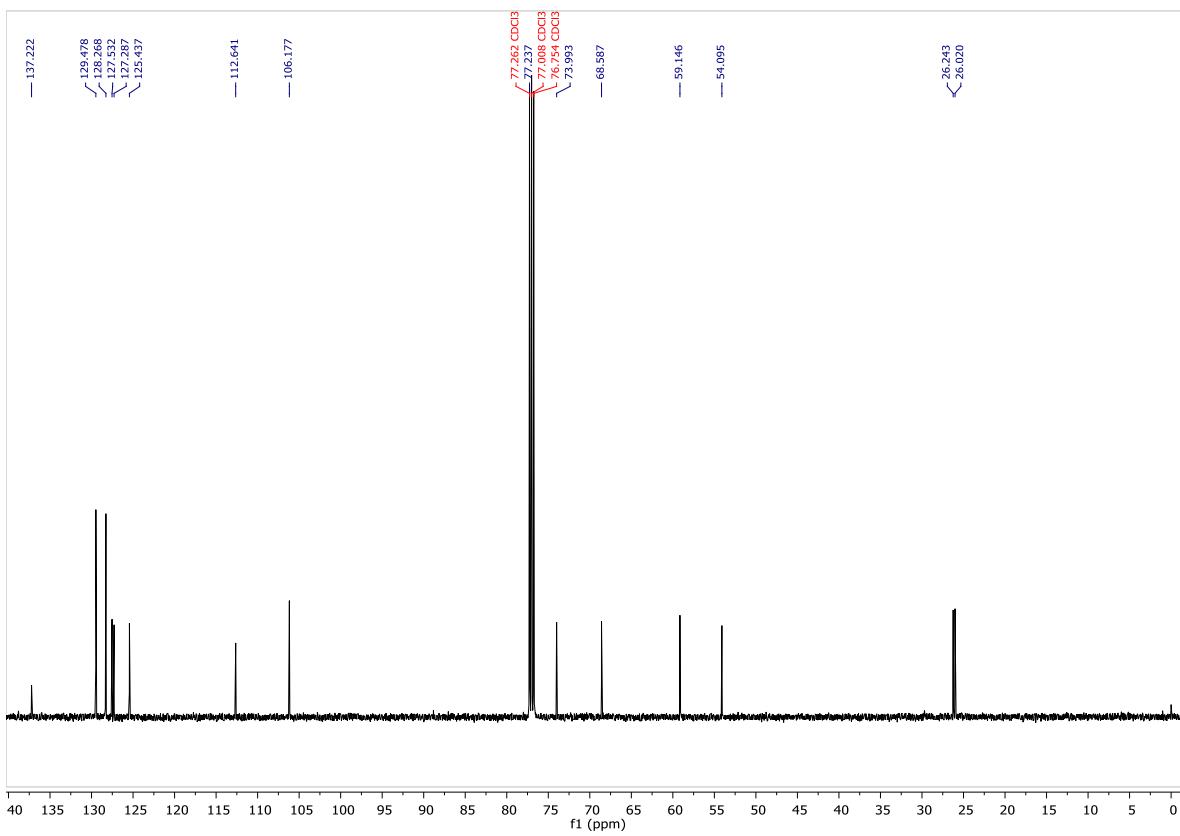
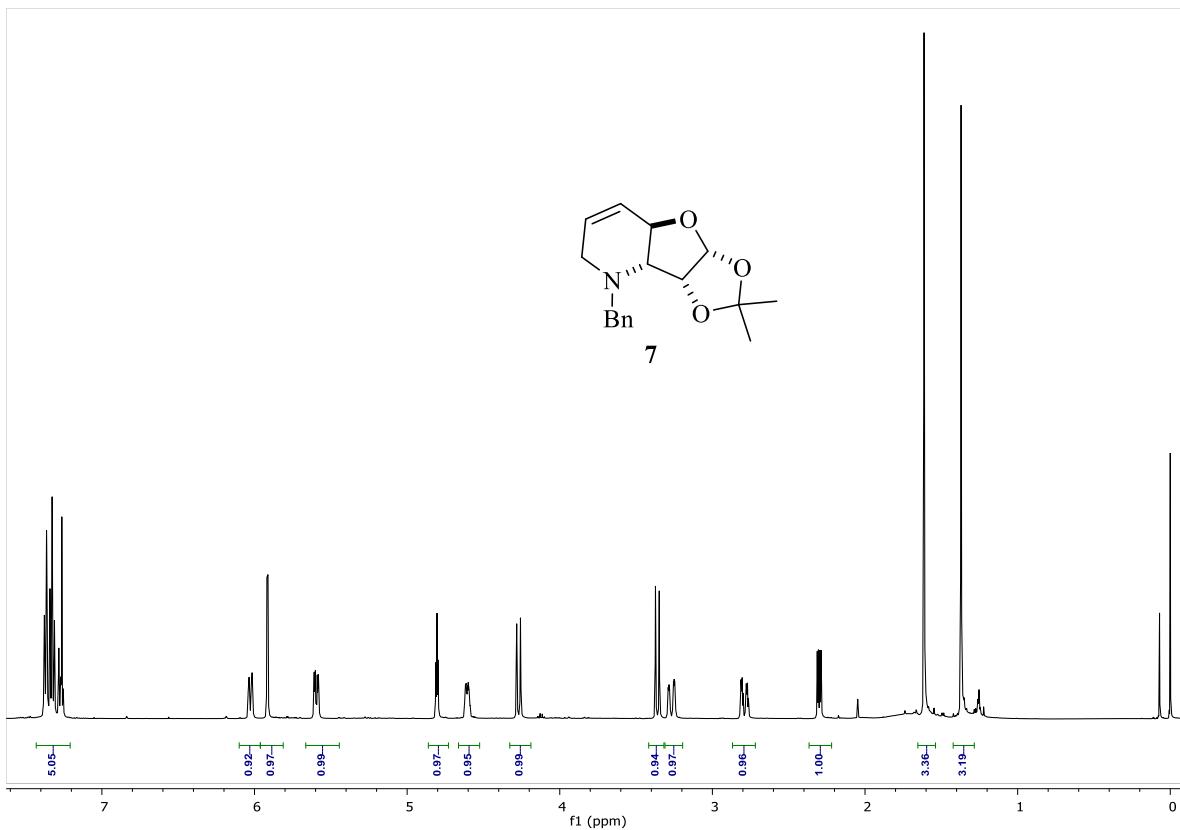
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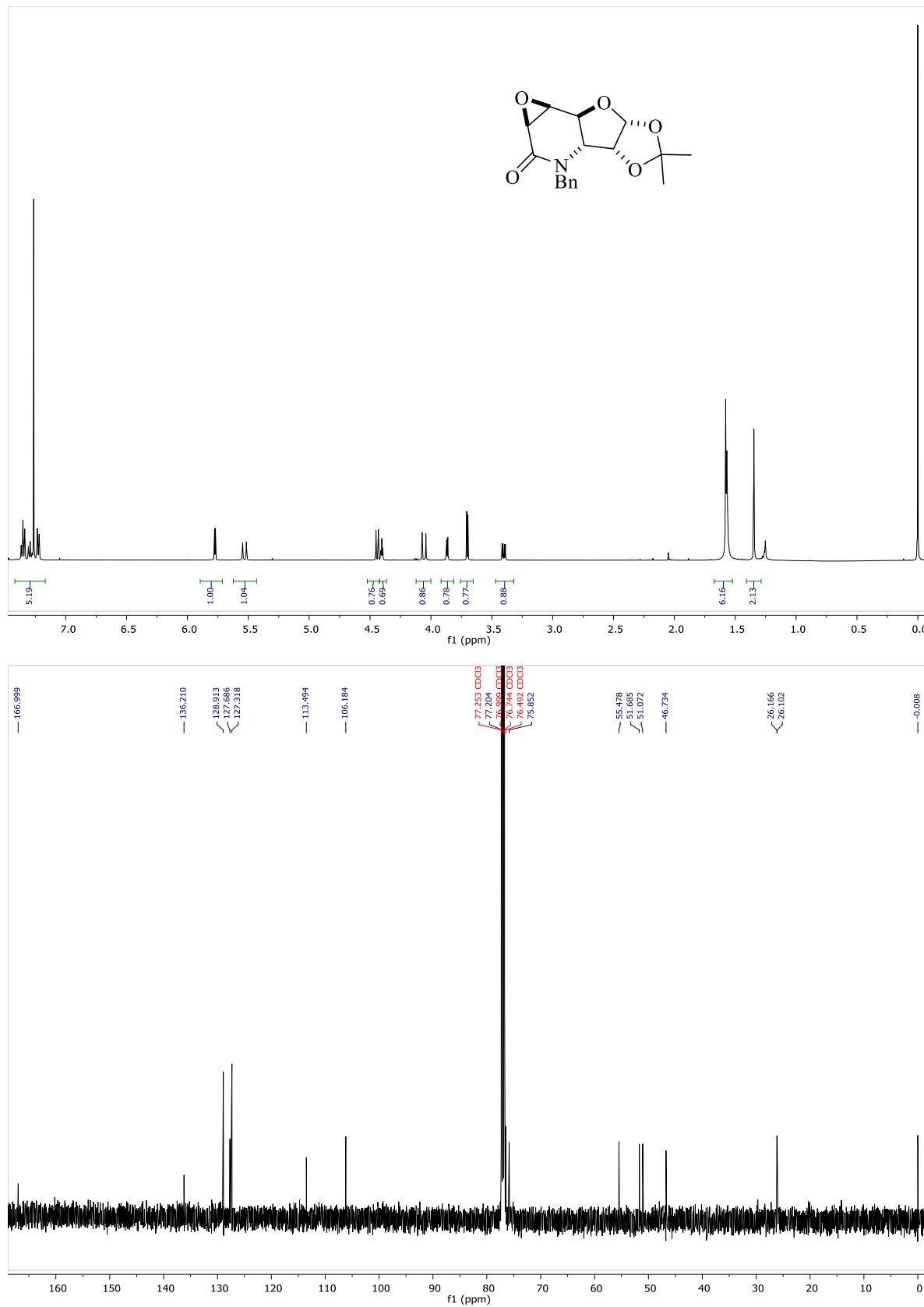
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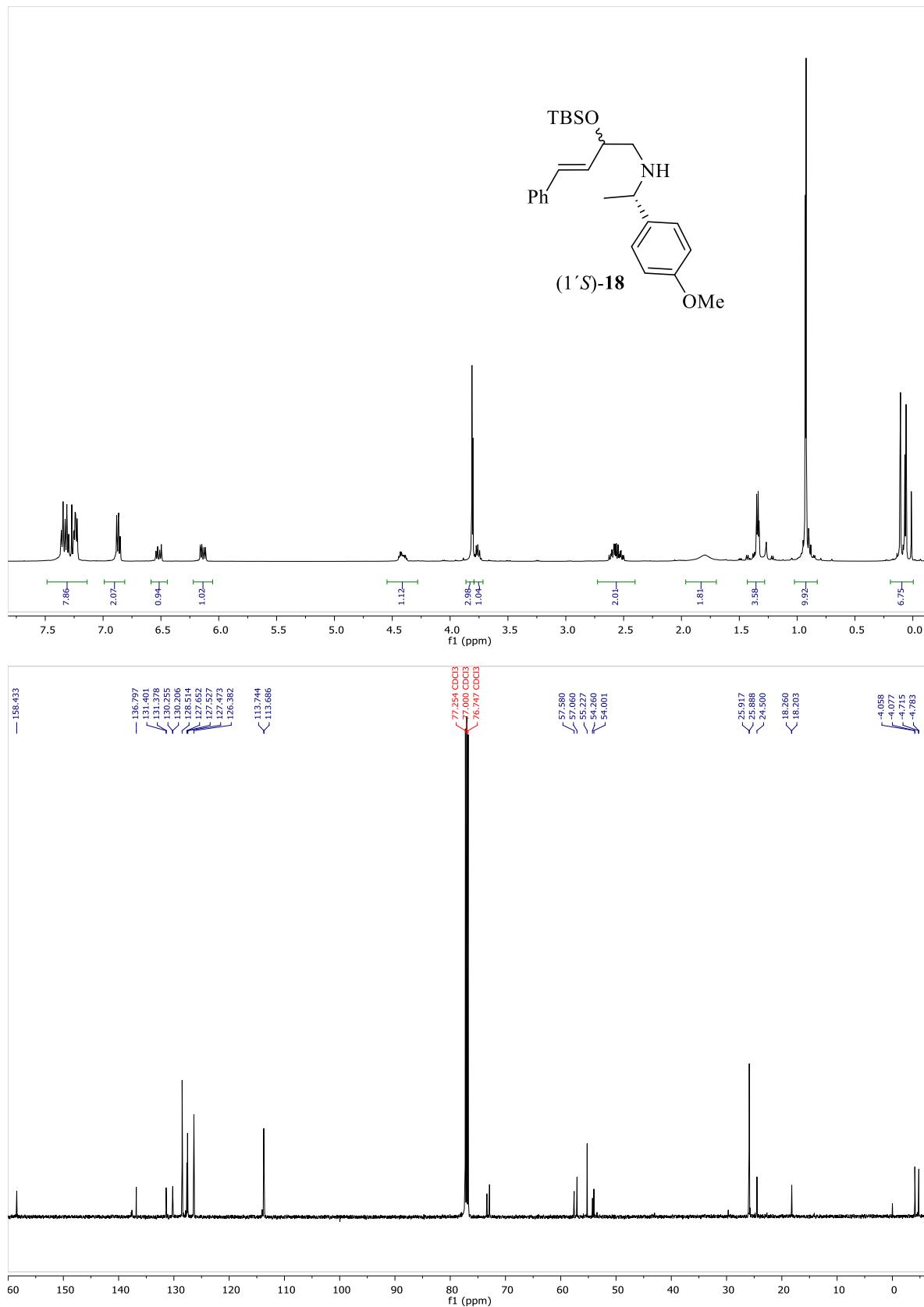
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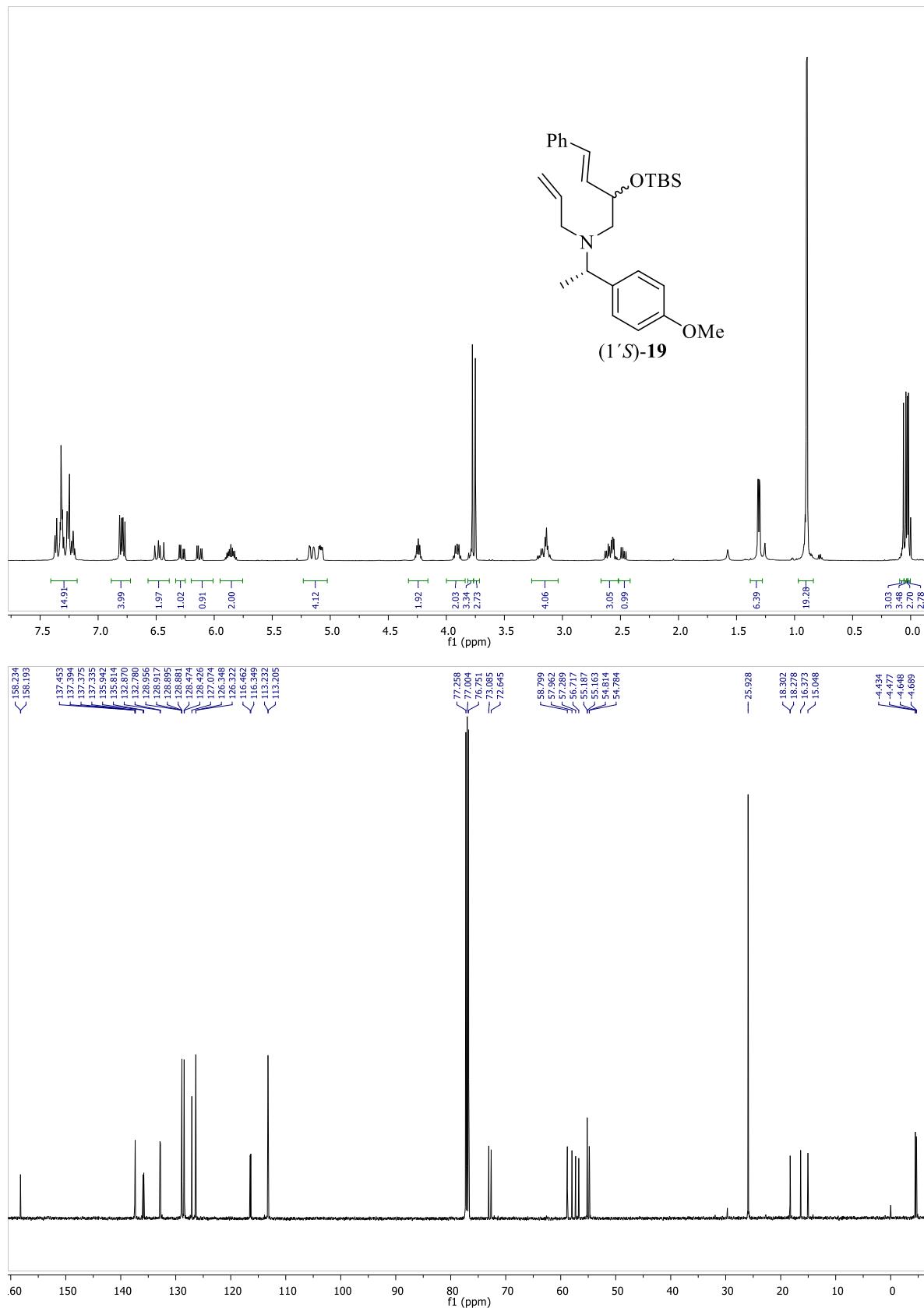
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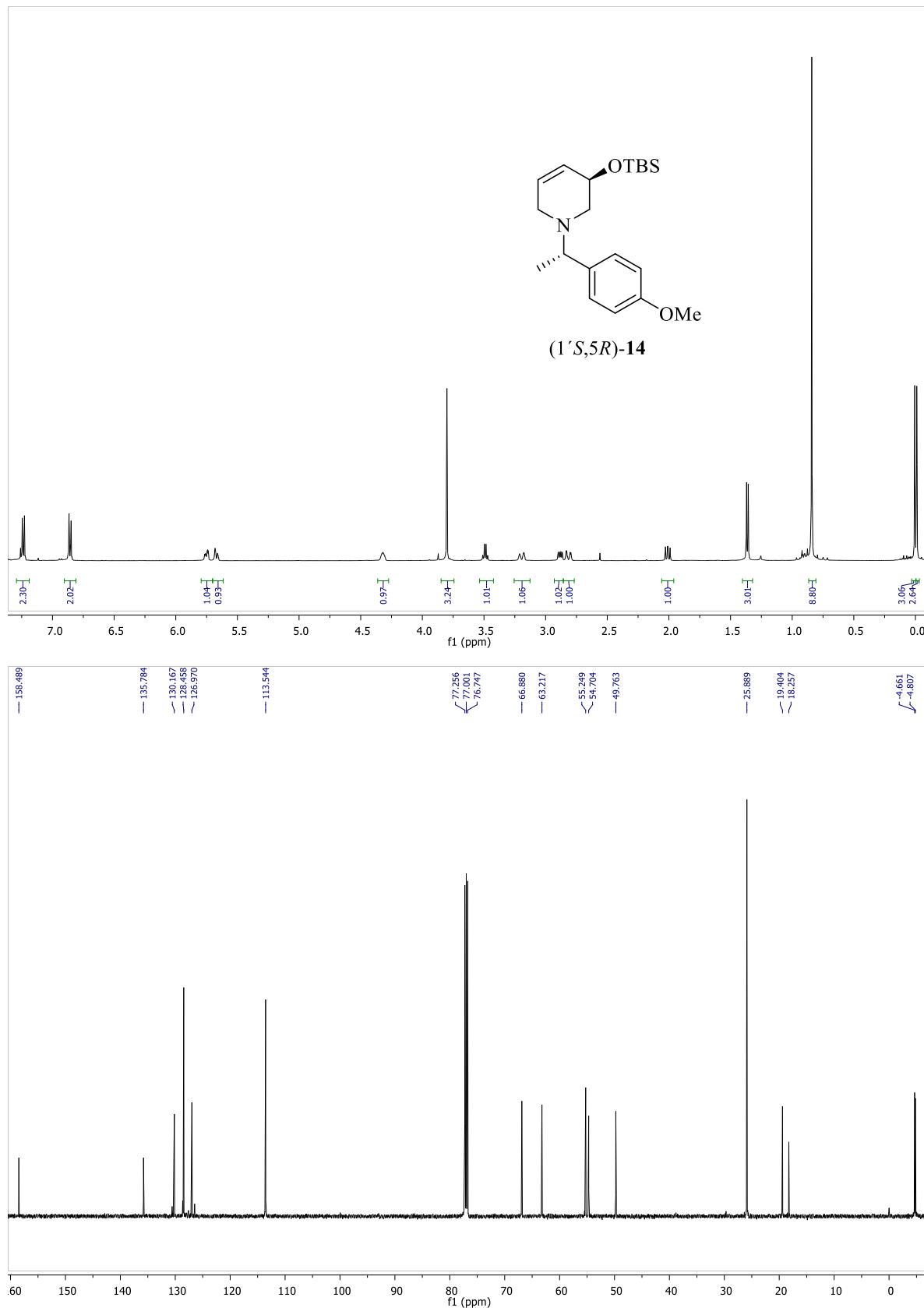
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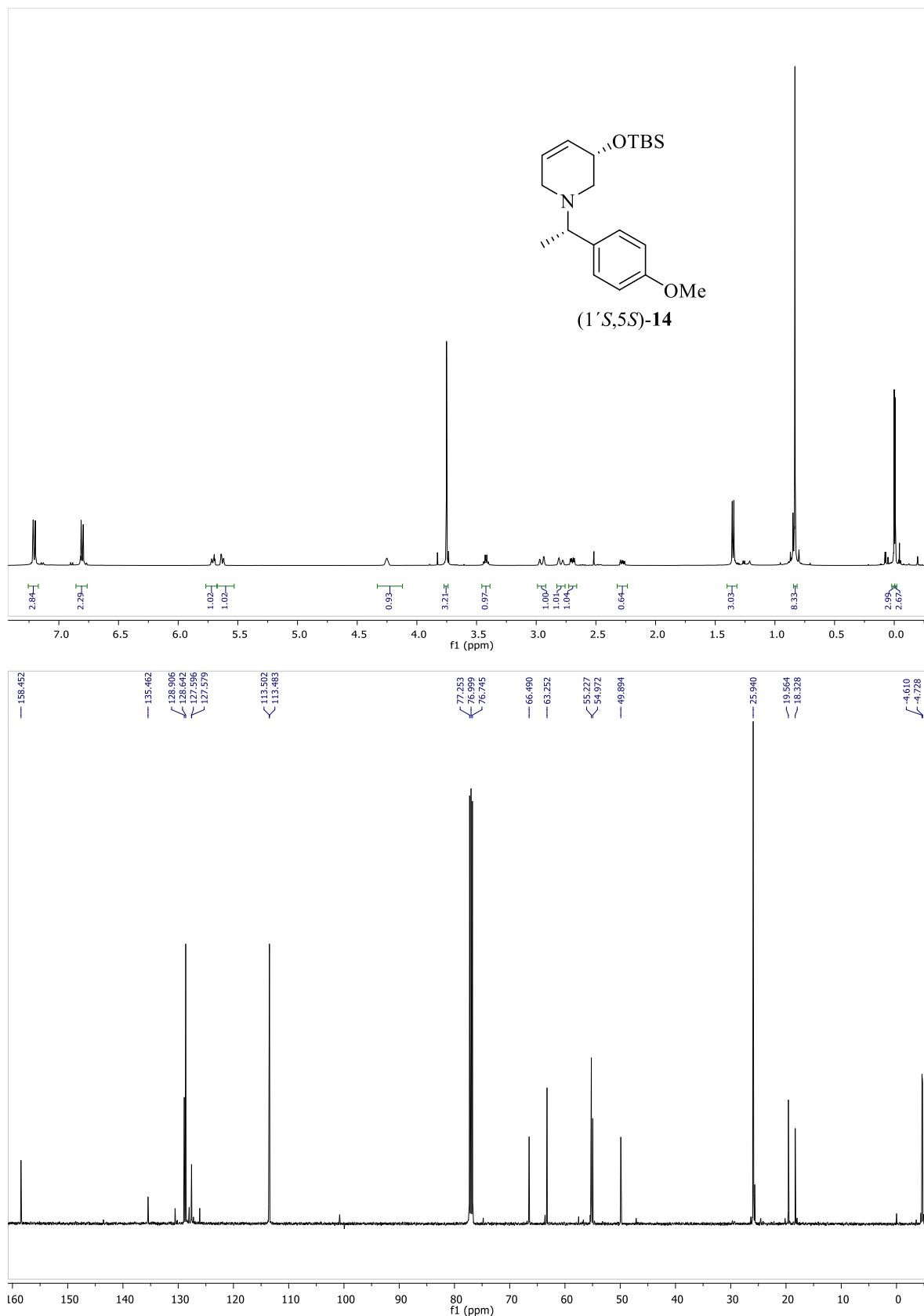


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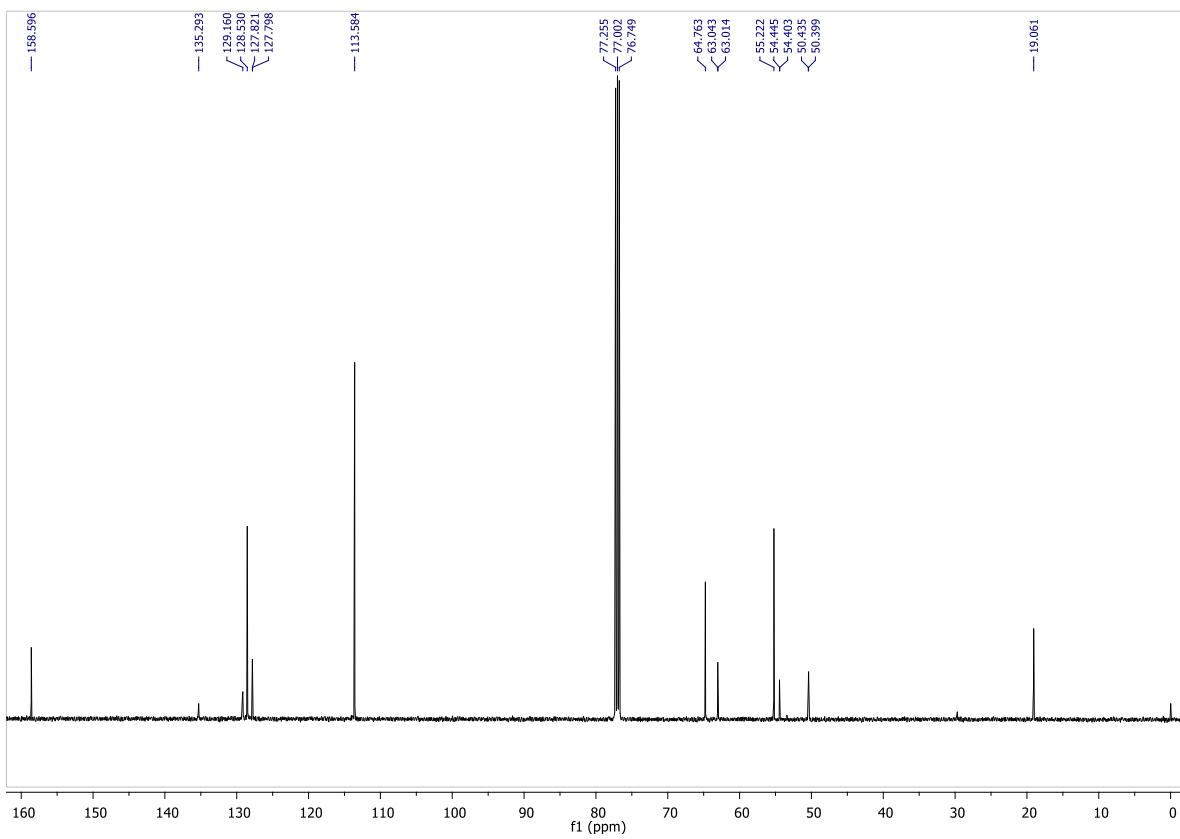
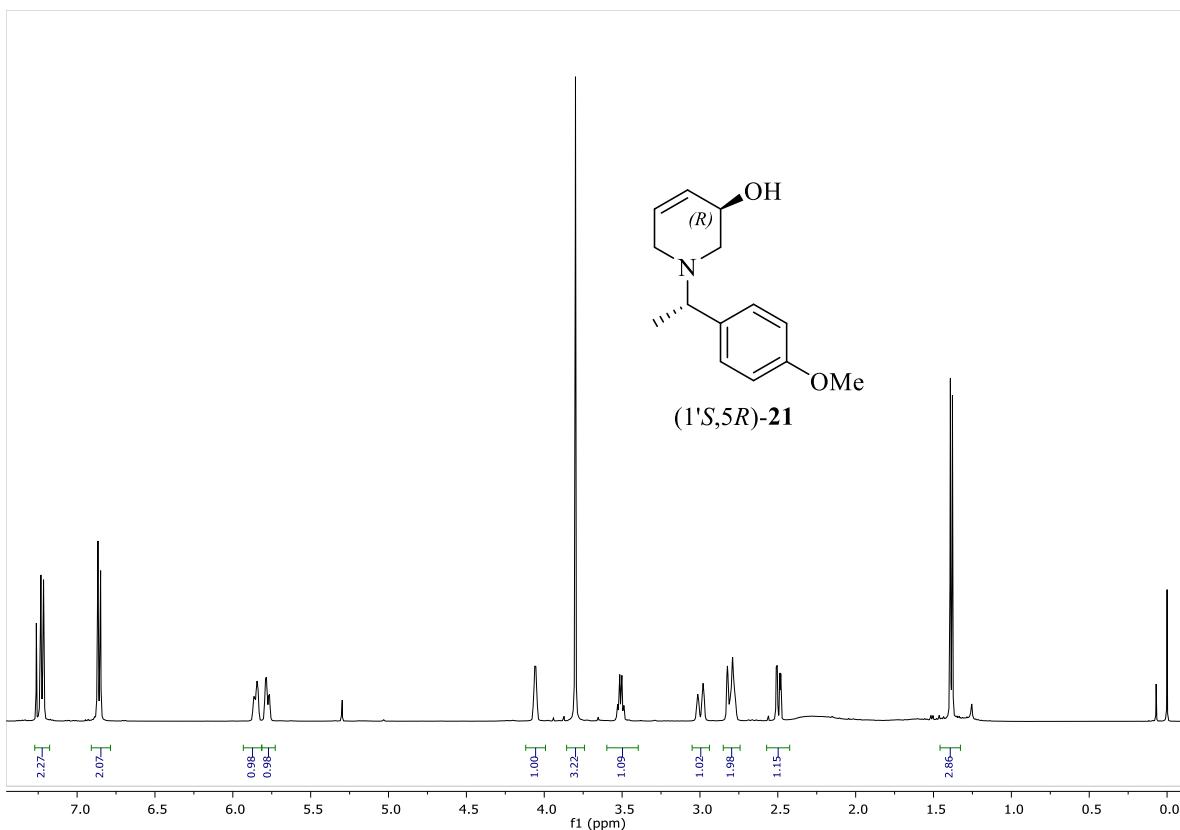
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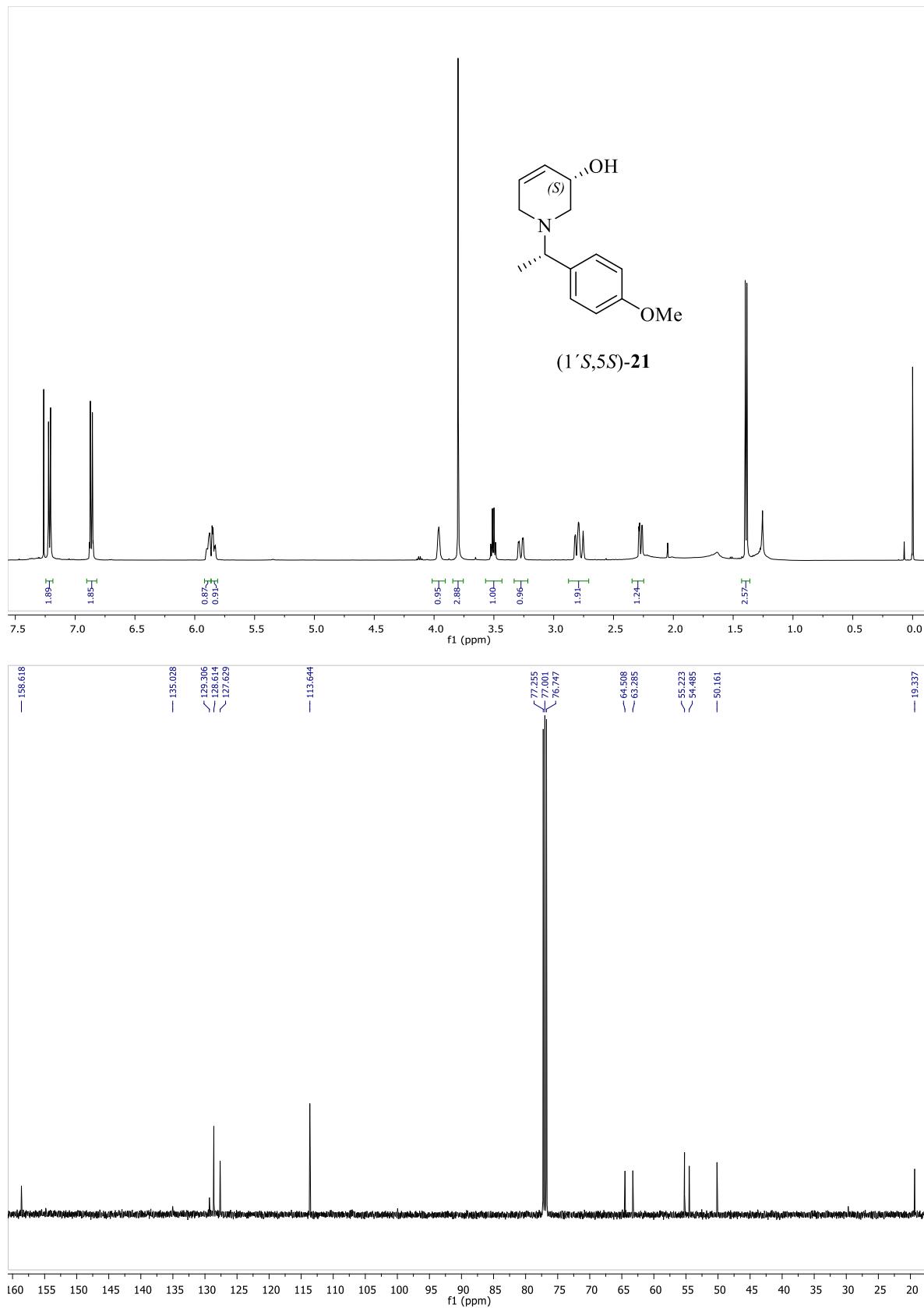


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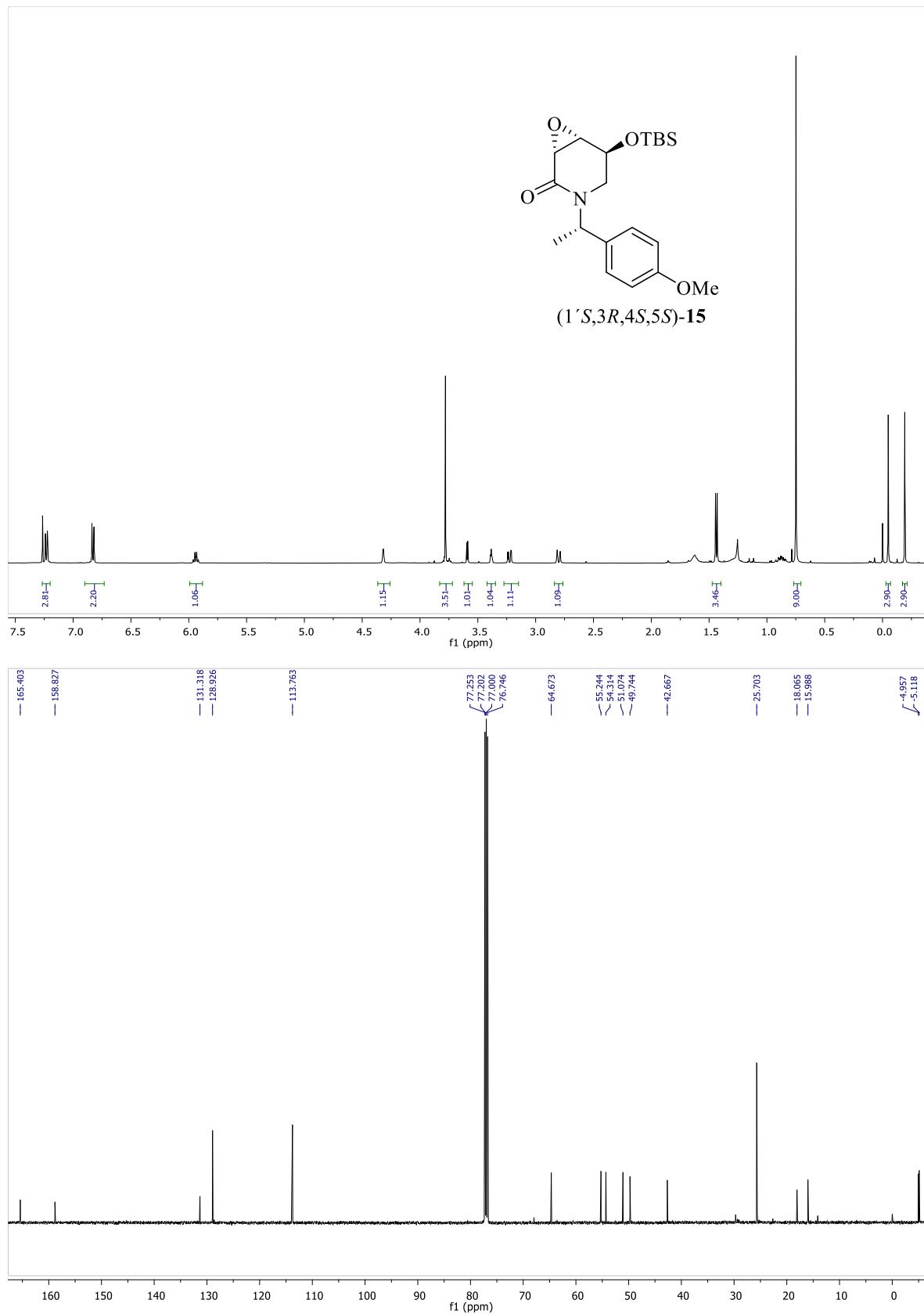
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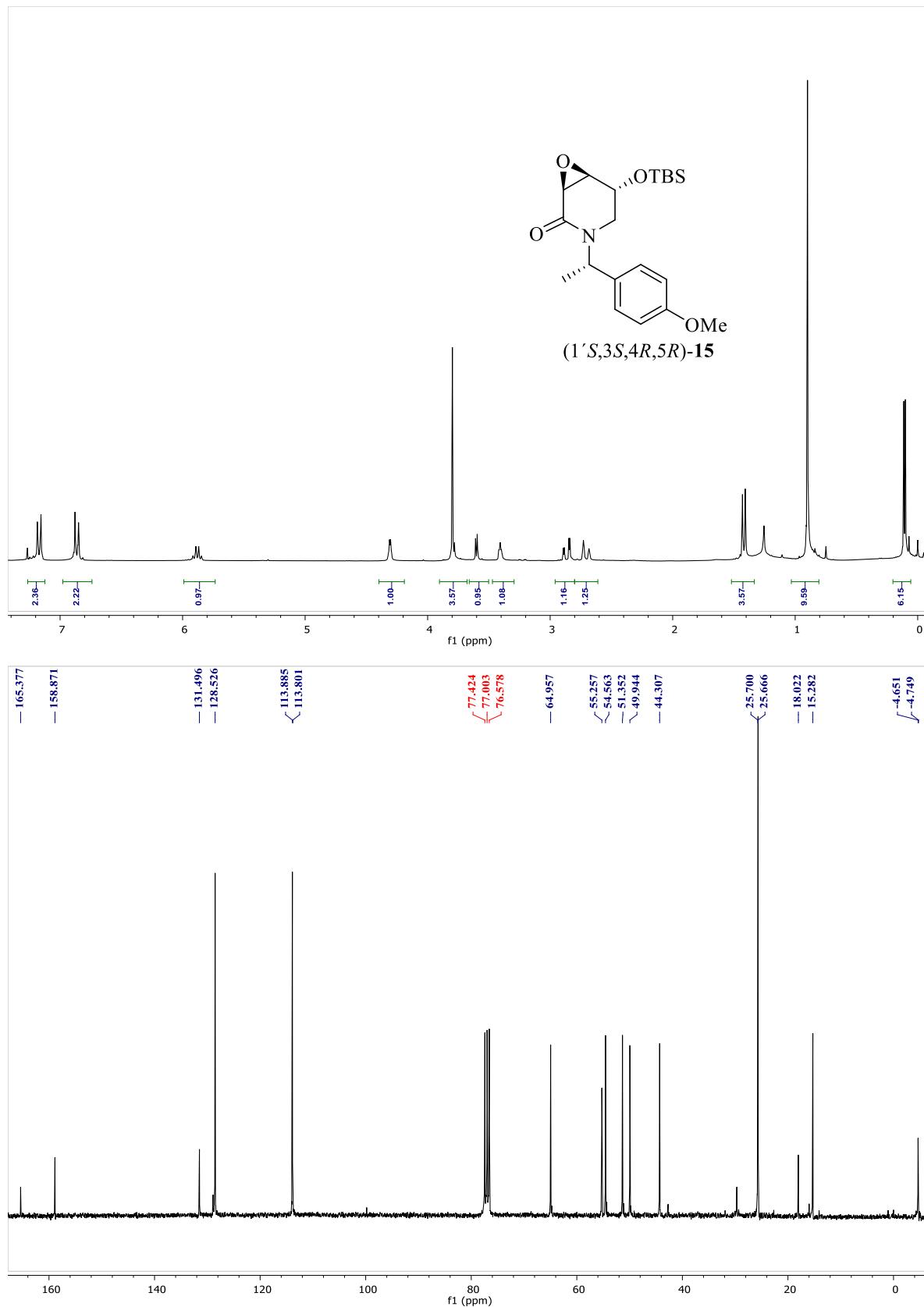
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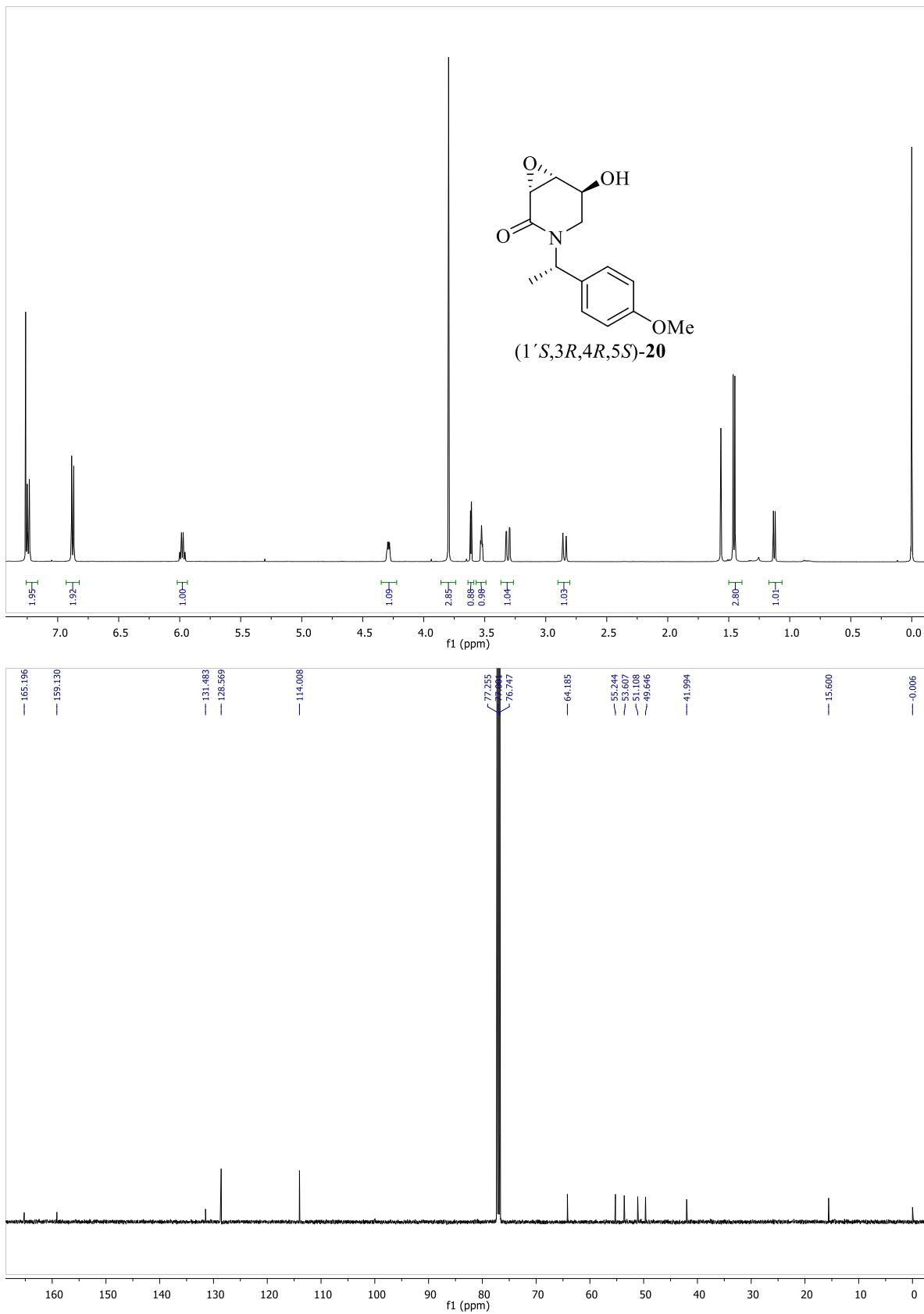
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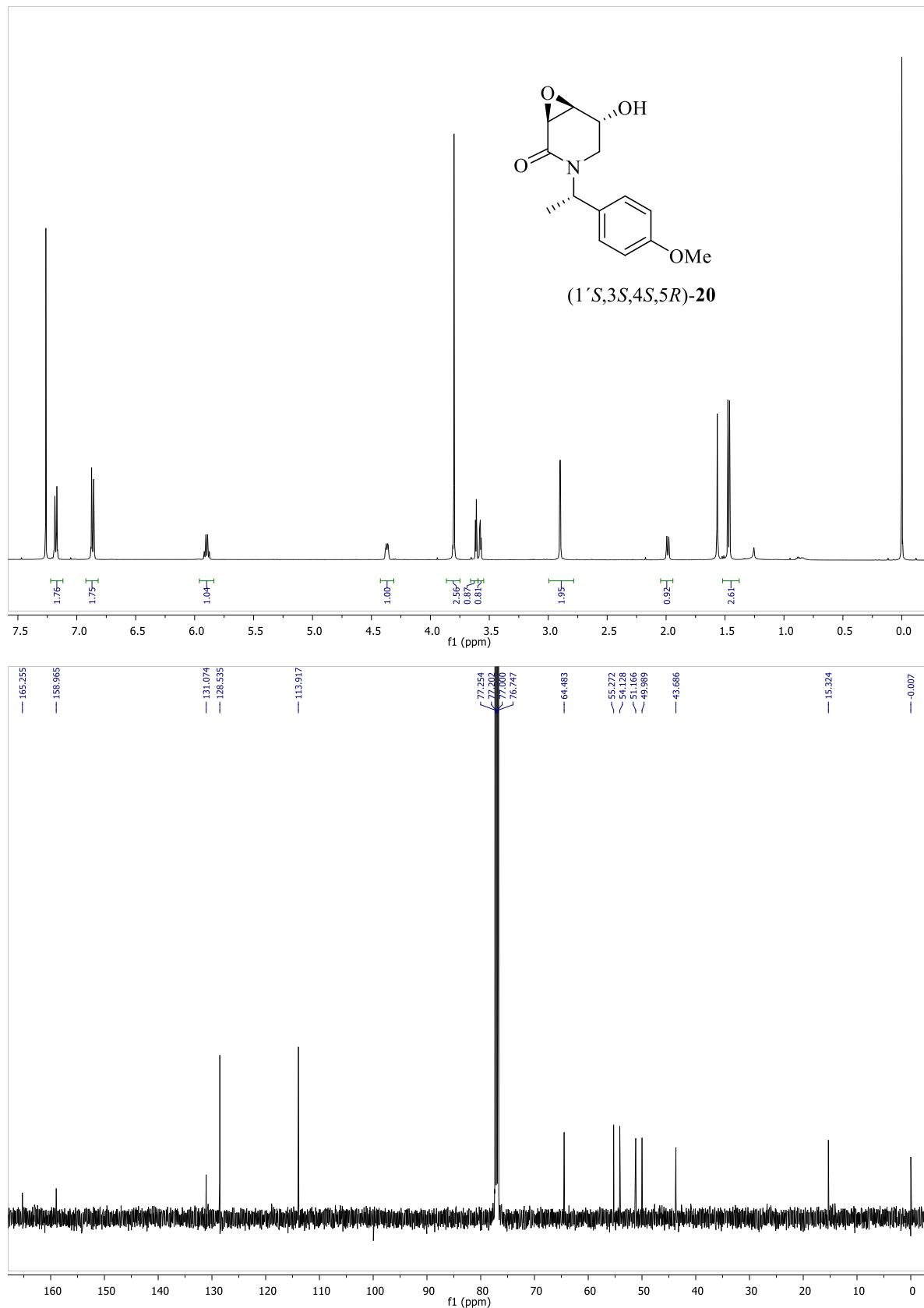
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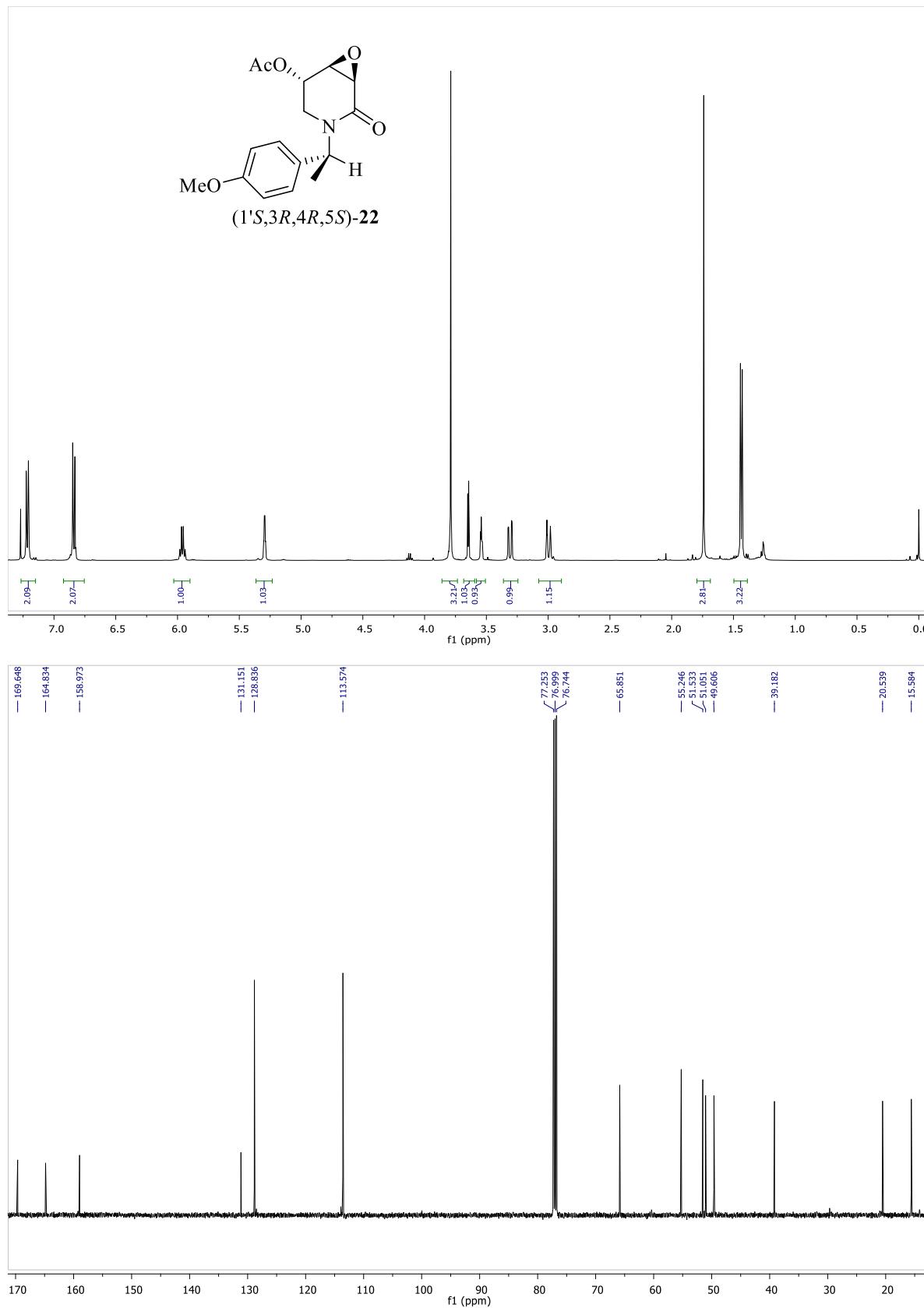
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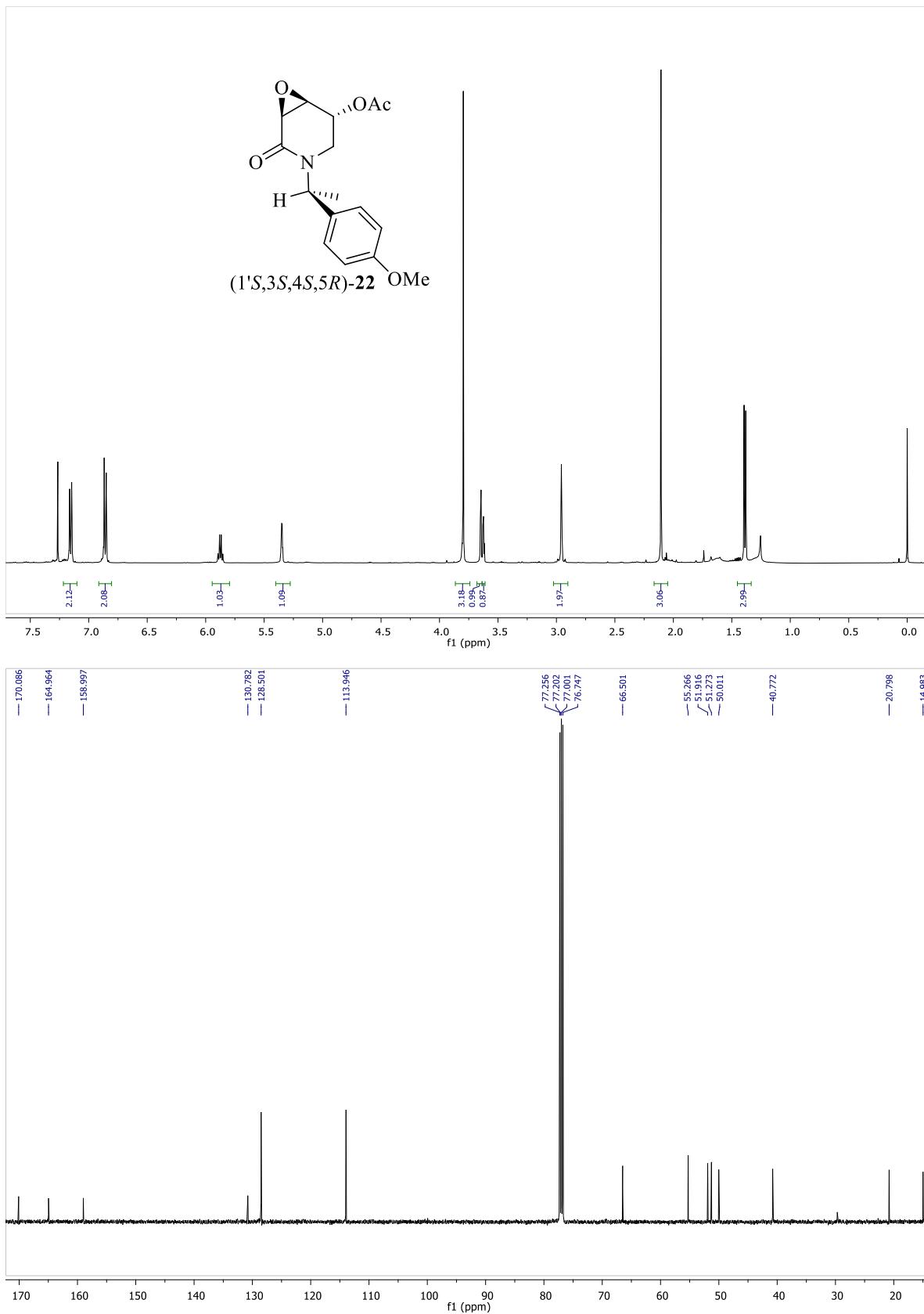
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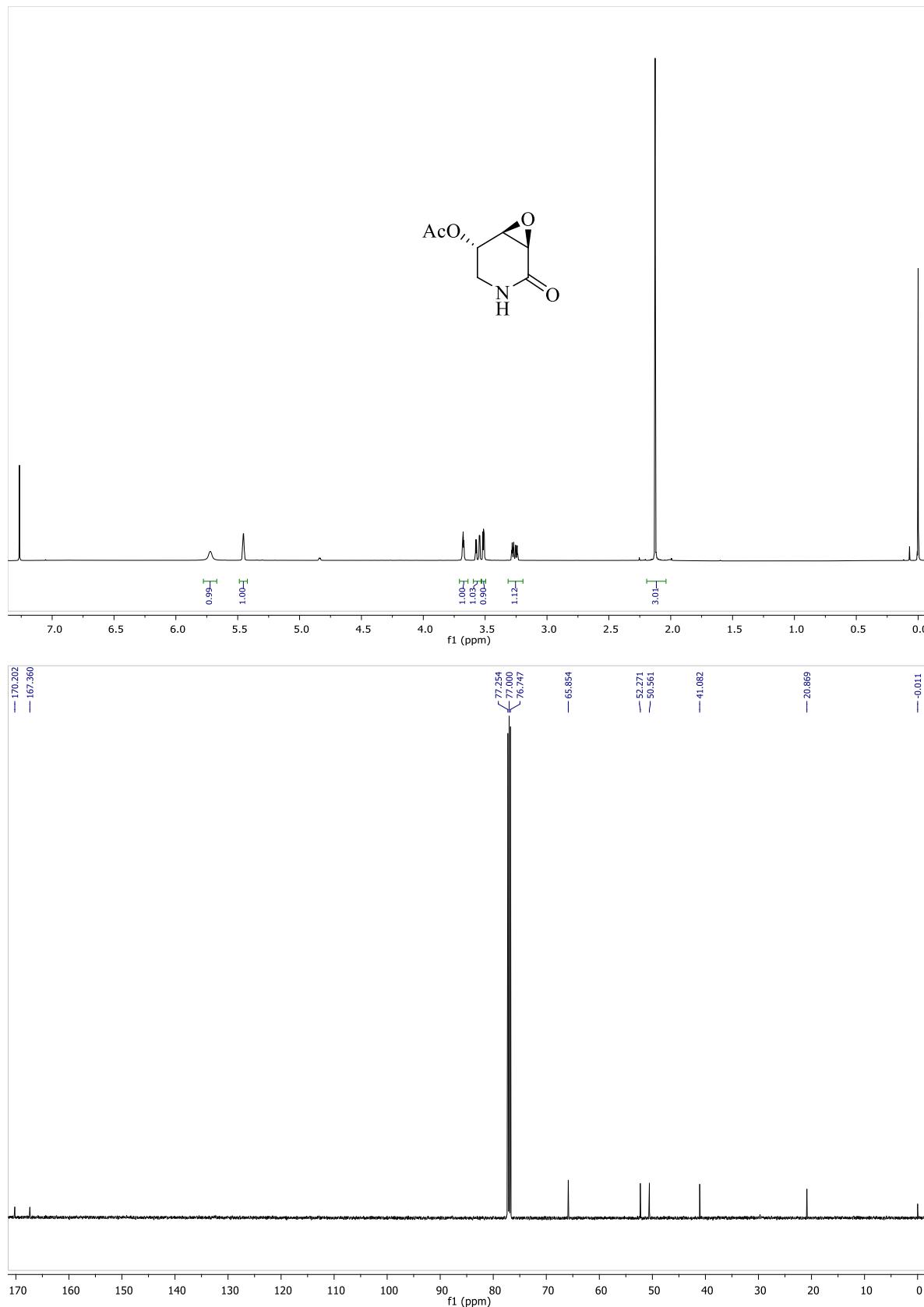
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¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of compound (1'S,3S,4S,5R)-22



¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of compound (3*R*,4*R*,5*S*)-23



¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of compound (-)-(3*R*,4*R*,5*S*)-**3** in (CD₃)₂CO

