

Supporting Information

Sequential *Meta*- C–H Olefination of Synthetically Versatile Benzyl Silanes: Effective Synthesis of *meta*-Olefinated Toluene, Benzaldehyde and Benzyl Alcohols

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1. General considerations

Reagent information:

All commercial reagents were purchased from Sigma-Aldrich, Alfa Aesar, TCI, Merck and Spectrochem and used without further purification. Palladium catalysts were obtained from Alfa Aesar. All solvents were bought from Merck and Spectrochem and were used as received. 1, 2-dichloroethane (DCE) and 2,2,2-trifluoroethanol (TFE) was purchased from Spectrochem and used as received. Tetrahydrofuran (THF) and dichloromethane (DCM) were dried using standard procedure and stored over 4 Å molecular sieves before use for preparation of benzyl silyl ether derivatives. Unless otherwise mentioned all reactions were carried out under inert atmosphere using a combination of glovebox and standard Schlenk techniques. For column chromatography, silica gel (100–200 mesh) from SRL Co. was used. A gradient elution using petroleum ether and ethyl acetate was performed, based on Merck aluminium TLC sheets (silica gel 60F₂₅₄) visualized under UV illumination at 254 nm.

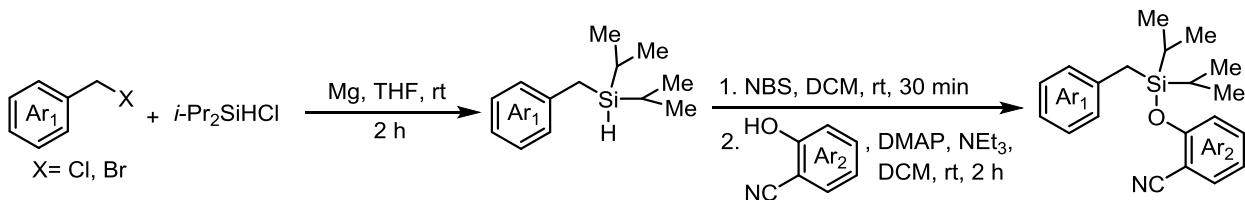
Analytical Information:

¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded on Bruker Avance III 400 (400 MHz and 100 MHz respectively) and 500 (500 MHz and 125 MHz respectively) instrument. All NMR spectra were reported in parts per million (ppm) downfield of TMS and were internally referenced to TMS (0 ppm) or residual CHCl₃ (7.26 ppm for ¹H, 77.23 ppm for ¹³C). The following abbreviations (or combinations thereof) were used to explain multiplicities: s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, quintet, m = multiplet. Infrared spectra were recorded in chloroform solution on a Perkin-Elmer spectrum one FT-IR spectrometer in transmittance mode (%T, cm⁻¹). High-resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were recorded on Q-TOF micromass (YA-105) and Bruker Maxis Impact system (282001.00081) mass spectrometer in positive ESI mode. Yield and selectivity for optimization was determined form NMR of the crude reaction mixture using 1,3,5-trimethoxybenzene (TMB) as internal standard.

2. Experimental Section

2.1 Preparation of templates for meta C—H olefination:

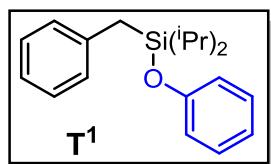
General procedure for preparation of substituted 2-hydroxybenzonitrile: 2-Hydroxybenzonitrile derivatives were prepared from corresponding 2-hydroxybenzaldehyde derivatives using previously reported literature procedure.¹



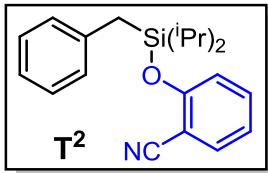
General procedure A for preparation of 2-((benzyldiisopropylsilyl)oxy)benzonitrile derivatives:

To a mixture of magnesium turnings (9 mmol, 218 mg) and a crystal of iodine under nitrogen atmosphere dry THF (8 mL) was added and stirred for 10 min at room temperature. Chlorodiisopropylsilane (3 mmol, 512 μ L) was added drop wise, followed by drop wise addition of corresponding benzyl halide (3 mmol) in dry THF (4 mL) at 0 °C. After stirring for 2 h at room temperature, the reaction was quenched by addition of saturated brine solution (15 mL) and was extracted by ethyl acetate (10X3). Combined organic extracts were dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure to give crude benzyldiisopropylsilane derivatives.

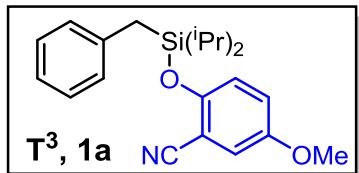
To a suspension of NBS (3.3 mmol, 588 mg) in dry DCM (5 mL) was slowly added crude benzyldiisopropylsilane (3 mmol) in dry DCM (5 mL) at 0 °C under nitrogen atmosphere. After stirring at room temperature for 30 min, the resulting solution was transferred via syringe to a stirred solution of 2-hydroxybenzonitrile derivatives (3 mmol), DMAP (0.3 mmol, 37 mg), and NEt₃ (3.3 mmol, 460 μ L) in dry DCM (5 mL) at 0 °C under nitrogen atmosphere. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 h. Finally after removal of DCM, hexane (20X3) was added and filtered through celite. Concentration under reduced pressure afforded crude 2-((benzyldiisopropylsilyl)oxy)benzonitrile derivative product, which was further purified by silica gel column chromatography.



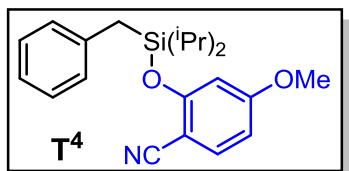
benzyldiisopropyl(phenoxy)silane (Scheme 2, template T¹): General procedure A was followed. Colorless oil. Eluent: petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (99/1 v/v). **¹H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.26 – 7.18 (m, 4H), 7.12 (ddd, J = 13.0, 7.4, 3.5 Hz, 3H), 6.98 – 6.93 (m, 1H), 6.84 – 6.80 (m, 2H), 2.39 (d, J = 2.9 Hz, 2H), 1.20 (tdd, J = 11.3, 7.0, 4.1 Hz, 2H), 1.10 – 1.00 (m, 12H); **¹³C NMR** (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 155.76, 138.88, 129.61, 129.05, 128.45, 124.58, 121.45, 120.11, 21.18, 17.60, 17.58, 13.04; **HRMS (m/z):** [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₀H₂₆OSi: 299.1753, found: 299.1751; **IR (thin film)** 689, 885, 937, 1038, 1157, 1233, 1279, 1499, 1586, 2229, 2869, 2949 cm⁻¹.



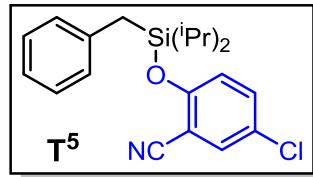
2-((benzyldiisopropylsilyl)oxy)benzonitrile (Scheme 2, template T²): General procedure A was followed. Colorless oil. Eluent: petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (98/2 v/v). **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.51 (dd, *J* = 7.7, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.32 (ddd, *J* = 8.4, 7.5, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.21 – 7.15 (m, 2H), 7.13 – 7.06 (m, 3H), 6.96 (td, *J* = 7.6, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 6.58 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 0.5 Hz, 1H), 2.46 (s, 2H), 1.33 – 1.23 (m, 2H), 1.10 – 1.05 (m, 12H); **¹³C NMR** (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.16, 137.97, 134.13, 133.76, 129.02, 128.67, 128.53, 124.88, 121.49, 117.19, 105.20, 21.23, 17.53, 17.49, 12.99; **HRMS (m/z):** [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₀H₂₆OSi: 324.1784, found: 324.1789.



2-((benzyldiisopropylsilyl)oxy)-5-methoxybenzonitrile (Scheme 2, template T³): General procedure A was followed. Colorless oil. Eluent: petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (98/2 v/v). **¹H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.19 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.14 – 7.06 (m, 3H), 6.97 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 6.88 (dd, *J* = 9.1, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 6.47 (d, *J* = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 2.43 (s, 2H), 1.29 – 1.22 (m, 2H), 1.09 – 1.04 (m, 12H); **¹³C NMR** (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 153.56, 152.29, 138.13, 129.02, 128.64, 124.82, 121.21, 120.68, 117.14, 116.70, 104.93, 56.05, 21.21, 17.54, 17.50, 12.92; **HRMS (m/z):** [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₀H₂₆OSi: 354.1889, found: 354.1891.



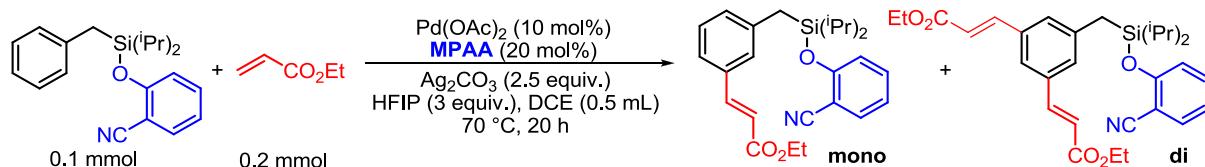
2-((benzyldiisopropylsilyl)oxy)-4-methoxybenzonitrile (Scheme 2, template T⁴): General procedure A was followed. Colorless oil. Eluent: petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (98/2 v/v). **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.41 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.13 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 7.08 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.50 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 6.02 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 3.66 (s, 3H), 2.45 (s, 2H), 1.32 – 1.25 (m, 2H), 1.12 – 1.04 (m, 12H); **¹³C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 164.21, 159.72, 138.06, 134.50, 129.05, 128.66, 124.87, 117.62, 108.19, 105.34, 97.25, 55.70, 21.14, 17.55, 17.46, 12.89; **HRMS (m/z):** [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₀H₂₆OSi: 354.1889, found: 354.1881.



2-((benzyldiisopropylsilyl)oxy)-5-chlorobenzonitrile (Scheme 2, template T⁵): General procedure A was followed. Colorless oil. Eluent: petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (98/2 v/v). **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.45 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 7.25 – 7.17 (m, 3H), 7.11 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H), 6.39 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 2.45 (s, 2H), 1.29 (dd, *J* = 13.2, 5.4 Hz, 2H), 1.12 – 1.05 (m, 12H); **¹³C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.85, 137.68, 134.18, 132.80, 128.96, 128.74, 126.24, 124.98, 120.84, 115.84, 106.37, 21.05, 17.48, 17.41, 12.84; **HRMS (m/z):** [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₀H₂₆OSi: 358.1394, found: 358.1388.

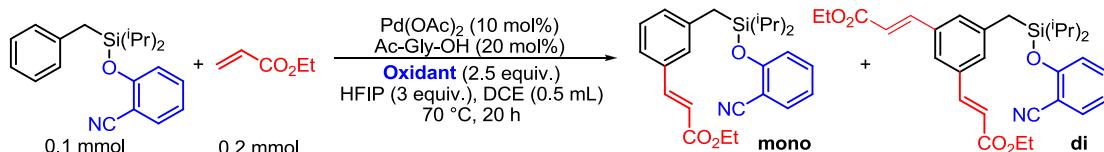
2.2 Optimization details for meta C–H mono olefination:

Table S1: Optimization of ligand



Entry	MPAA ligand	Yield (mono: di)	Conv.
1	N-Formylglycine	13 (mono)	29
2	Boc-Gly-OH	40 (5.7:1)	61
3	Ac-Gly-OH	56 (4.8:1)	82
4	Boc-Val-OH	27 (mono)	67
5	Ac-Ala-OH	32 (mono)	70
6	Boc-Pro-OH	22 (mono)	62
7	Ac-Phe-OH	32 (8:1)	69

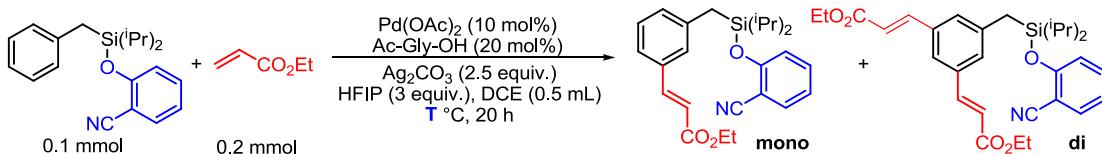
Table S2: Optimization of oxidant



Entry	Oxidant	Yield (mono: di)	Conv.
1	AgOAc	52 (1.5:1)	86
2	Ag₂CO₃	56 (4.8:1)	81

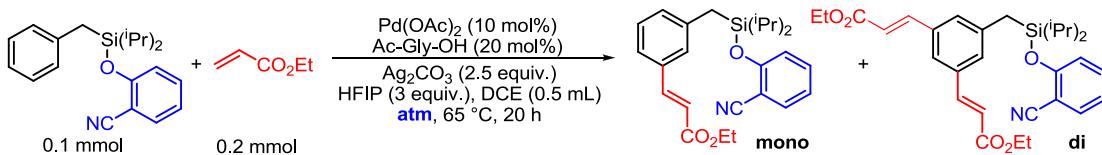
3	Ag_2O	11 (mono)	32
4	AgNO_3	24 (mono)	52

Table S3: Optimization of temperature



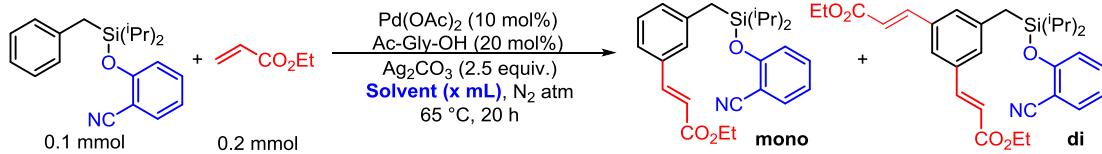
Entry	Temperature	Yield (mono: di)	Conv.
1	90 °C	38 (3:1)	96
2	80 °C	44 (4.2:1)	92
3	70 °C	55 (4.8:1)	81
4	65 °C	58 (5:1)	82
5	60 °C	51 (5.5:1)	76

Table S4: Optimization of atmosphere



Entry	Atmosphere	Yield (mono: di)	Conv.
1	air	58 (5:1)	82
2	N_2	62 (5.2:1)	85
3	O_2	41 (mono)	74

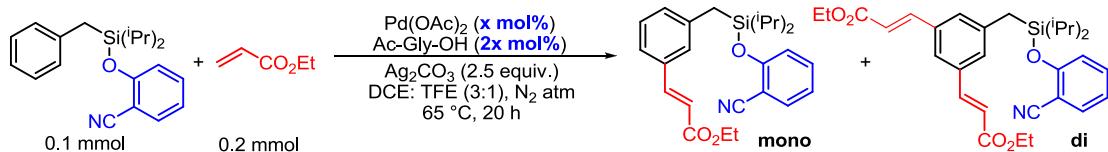
Table S5: Optimization of solvent



Entry	Solvent	Yield (mono: di)	Conv.
1	DCE (0.6 mL)	--	--
2	DCE (0.6 mL), HFIP (3 equiv.)	58 (5:1)	82
3	DCE (0.6 mL), HFIP (5 equiv.)	53 (4:1)	86
4	DCE (0.6 mL), HFIP (10 equiv.)	52 (2.5:1)	94
5	HFIP (0.6 mL)	53 (1:6)	97

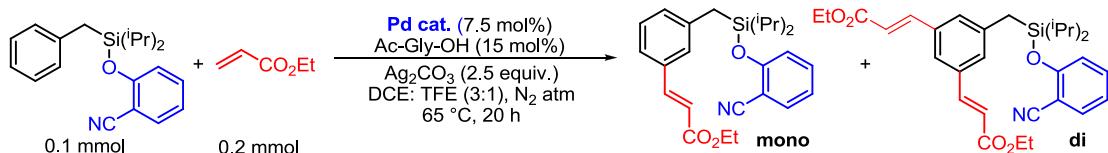
6	DCE (0.7 mL), TFE (0.1 mL)	40 (6:1)	64
7	DCE (0.6 mL), TFE (0.2 mL)	71 (5:1)	92
8	DCE (0.4 mL), TFE (0.4 mL)	70 (3.5:1)	88
9	TFE (0.6 mL)	71 (3.2:1)	94

Table S6: Optimization of catalyst loading



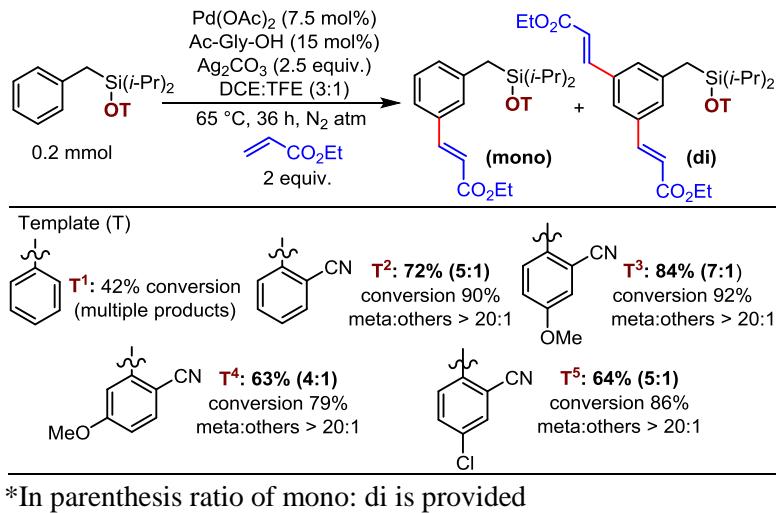
Entry	Catalyst loading (mol%)	Yield (mono: di)	Conv.
1	2.5	14 (mono)	19
2	5.0	57 (5.6:1)	69
3	7.5	72 (5:1)	90
4	10	72 (4:1)	87
5	12.5	73 (3.5:1)	93

Table S7: Optimization of Pd salts



Entry	Pd salt	Yield (mono: di)	Conv.
1	Pd(OAc)₂	72 (5:1)	90
2	PdCl ₂	35 (mono)	52
3	Pd(OPiv) ₂	64 (5:1)	81
4	Pd(TFA) ₂	42 (mono)	--
5	Pd ₂ (dba) ₃	65 (3.2:1)	91
6	Pd(acac) ₂	12 (mono)	19
7	PdSO ₄	21 (mono)	27
8	Pd(MeCN) ₂ Cl ₂	67 (2.5:1)	--

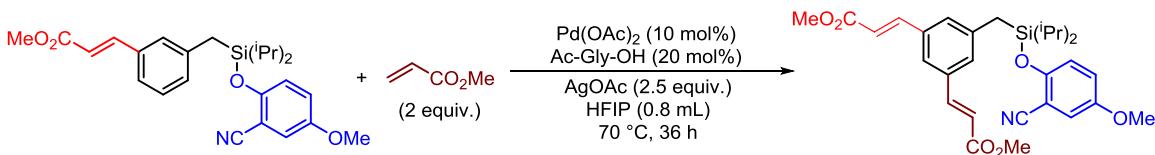
Table S8: Optimization of templates*



General procedure B for C–H alkenylation of benzyl silane derivatives through remote meta C–H activation:

In a clean, oven-dried screw cap reaction tube containing magnetic stir-bar, substrate (0.2 mmol), Pd(OAc)₂ (7.5 mol%), N-Acetyl-glycine (15 mol%), Ag₂CO₃ (2.5 equiv, 0.5 mmol) were weighed and the tube was tightly closed by screw cap fitted with rubber septum. The tube was evacuated and filled with nitrogen through standard Schlenk technique, and this sequence was repeated for three additional times. Then, under positive pressure of nitrogen, olefin (2 equiv, 0.4 mmol), DCE (1.2 mL) and TFE (0.4 mL) were added sequentially by syringes. This reaction tube was placed in a preheated oil bath at 65 °C to stir vigorously for 30 h. Then reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and filtered through celite with aid of ethyl acetate (10 mL). Regioselectivity was determined from NMR of this crude reaction mixture filtrate. Then, this filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure and purified by column chromatography through silica gel using petroleum ether/ethyl acetate as eluent.

2.3 Optimization details for meta C–H sequential bis-olefination:



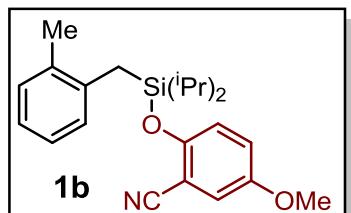
Entry	Deviation from standard condition	Yield	Conv.
1	Pd(OAc) ₂ / Ac-Gly-OH (7.5 mol%/ 15 mol%)	63	78
2	Pd(OAc) ₂ / Ac-Gly-OH (15 mol%/ 30 mol%)	77	--
3	Ag ₂ CO ₃ (2.5 equiv.)	63	80
4	TFE (0.8 mL)	71	93
5	DCE (0.4 mL): HFIP (0.4 mL)	69	87

6	none	76	94
7	80 °C	75	98
8	48 h	76	95

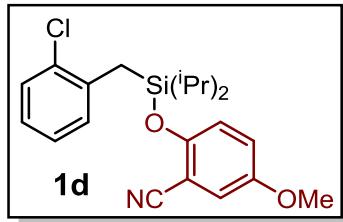
General procedure C for sequential C–H alkenylation of mono olefinated benzyl silane derivatives through remote *meta* C–H activation:

In a clean, oven-dried screw cap reaction tube containing magnetic stir-bar, substrate (0.1 mmol), Pd(OAc)₂ (10 mol%), N-Acetyl-glycine (20 mol%), AgOAc (2.5 equiv, 0.25 mmol) were weighed and the tube was tightly closed by screw cap fitted with rubber septum. The tube was evacuated and backfilled with nitrogen through standard Schlenk technique, and this sequence was repeated for three additional times. Then, under positive pressure of nitrogen, olefin (2 equiv, 0.2 mmol) and HFIP (0.8 mL) were added by syringes. This reaction tube was placed in a preheated oil bath at 70 °C to stir vigorously for 36 h. Then reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and filtered through celite with aid of ethyl acetate (10 mL). Regioselectivity was determined from NMR of this crude reaction mixture filtrate. Then, this filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure and purified by column chromatography through silica gel using petroleum ether/ethyl acetate as eluent.

2.4 Characterization data of benzyl diisopropylsilyl ether substrates:

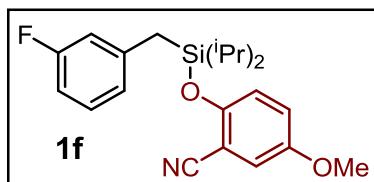


2-((diisopropyl(2-methylbenzyl)silyl)oxy)-5-methoxybenzonitrile (Table 1, entry 1b):
 General procedure A was followed. Colorless oil. Eluent: petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (98/2 v/v). **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.18 – 7.06 (m, 2H), 7.01 (q, J = 6.3 Hz, 2H), 6.93 (dd, J = 8.7, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 6.71 (dd, J = 9.1, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 5.94 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 3.72 (s, 3H), 2.40 (s, 2H), 2.23 (s, 3H), 1.32 – 1.26 (m, 2H), 1.12 – 1.08 (m, 6H), 1.04 – 1.01 (m, 6H); **¹³C NMR** (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 153.38, 151.97, 137.01, 135.81, 130.66, 129.27, 126.20, 125.09, 121.04, 120.32, 117.15, 116.50, 104.59, 56.00, 20.57, 18.12, 17.66, 17.40, 13.00; **HRMS (m/z):** [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₂H₃₀NO₂Si: 367.1968, found: 367.1966; **IR (thin film)** 687, 884, 937, 1039, 1154, 1280, 1468, 1591, 1616, 2229, 2869, 2948 cm⁻¹.

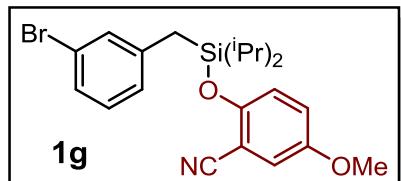


2-((2-chlorobenzyl)diisopropylsilyl)oxy-5-methoxybenzonitrile (Table 1, entry 1d):

General procedure A was followed. Colorless oil. Eluent: petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (99/1 v/v). **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.27 - 7.25 (m, 2H), 7.11 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.05 – 6.99 (m, 1H), 6.97 (dd, *J* = 5.8, 2.9 Hz, 1H), 6.86 (dd, *J* = 9.1, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 6.47 (d, *J* = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 2.59 (s, 2H), 1.35-1.29 (m, 2H), 1.09 – 1.04 (m, 12H); **¹³C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 153.53, 152.11, 136.76, 133.27, 130.88, 129.70, 127.00, 126.32, 121.16, 120.28, 117.13, 116.79, 104.88, 56.06, 18.80, 17.53, 17.40, 13.45; **HRMS (m/z):** [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₁H₂₇ClNO₂Si: 388.1550, found: 388.1549; **IR (thin film)** 680, 707, 758, 883, 935, 1036, 1154, 1232, 1280, 1443, 1493, 1572, 2228, 2868, 2947 cm⁻¹.



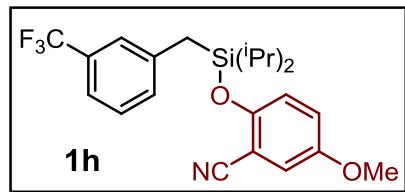
2-((3-fluorobenzyl)diisopropylsilyl)oxy-5-methoxybenzonitrile (Table 1, entry 1f): General procedure A was followed. Yellow oil. Eluent: petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (99/1 v/v). **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.17 – 7.10 (m, 1H), 6.98 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 6.91 (dd, *J* = 9.1, 3.2 Hz, 2H), 6.83 – 6.73 (m, 2H), 6.53 (d, *J* = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 2.43 (s, 2H), 1.31 – 1.22 (m, 2H), 1.09 – 1.04 (m, 12H); **¹³C NMR** (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 164.10, 162.15 (d, *J* = 245 Hz), 153.74, 152.10; 140.91, 140.85 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz); 129.99, 129.92 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz); 124.76, 124.73 (d, *J* = 2.6 Hz), 121.26, 120.59, 117.05, 116.83; 115.86, 115.69 (d, *J* = 21.4 Hz); 111.79, 111.62 (d, *J* = 21.0 Hz), 105.05, 56.07, 21.32, 17.52, 17.47, 12.99; **HRMS (m/z):** [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₁H₂₇NO₂FSi: 372.1795, found: 372.1805; **IR (thin film)** 785, 884, 937, 1039, 1157, 1237, 1280, 1498, 1615, 2229, 2869, 2948 cm⁻¹.



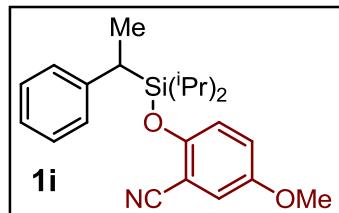
2-((3-bromobenzyl)diisopropylsilyl)oxy-5-methoxybenzonitrile (Table 1, entry 1g):

General procedure A was followed. Light yellow oil. Eluent: petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (98/2 v/v). **¹H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.30 – 7.26 (m, 1H), 7.17 – 7.13 (m, 1H), 7.13 – 7.10 (m, 2H), 6.97 (t, *J* = 3.8 Hz, 1H), 6.88 (dd, *J* = 9.1, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 6.50 (d, *J* = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 2.46 (s, 2H), 1.29-1.25 (m, 2H), 1.07 – 1.02 (m, 12H); **¹³C NMR** (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ

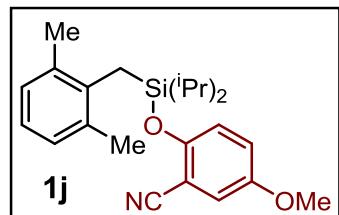
153.57, 152.05, 147.06, 131.51, 131.13, 126.84, 126.27, 121.17, 120.35, 120.27, 117.06, 116.77, 104.87, 56.03, 17.36, 17.28, 14.95, 13.24; **HRMS** (*m/z*): [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₅H₃₀BrNO₄Si: 515.1127, found: 515.1125.



2-((diisopropyl(3-(trifluoromethyl)benzyl)silyl)oxy)-5-methoxybenzonitrile (Table 1, entry 1h): General procedure A was followed. Colorless oil. Eluent: petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (99/1 v/v). **¹H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.33 (dd, *J* = 9.1, 4.5 Hz, 3H), 7.29 (s, 1H), 6.98 (t, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 6.89 (dd, *J* = 9.1, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 6.52 (d, *J* = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 2.49 (s, 2H), 1.30 – 1.23 (m, 2H), 1.09 – 1.05 (m, 12H); **¹³C NMR** (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 153.80, 151.96, 139.39, 132.35; 130.97, 130.71 (q, *J* = 31.9 Hz); 127.61, 125.46, 123.28, 121.11 (q, *J* = 274 Hz); 125.52, 125.49 (q, *J* = 3.7 Hz); 121.70, 121.67 (*J* = 3.7 Hz), 129.03, 123.54, 121.25, 120.49, 117.01, 116.88, 105.03, 56.05, 21.36, 17.52, 17.46, 13.05; **HRMS** (*m/z*): [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₂H₂₆F₃NO₃NaSi: 421.1683, found: 421.1685.

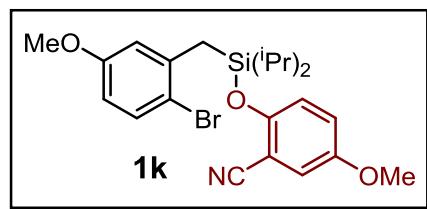


2-((diisopropyl(1-phenylethyl)silyl)oxy)-5-methoxybenzonitrile (Table 1, entry 1i): General procedure A was followed. Colorless oil. Eluent: petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (98/2 v/v). **¹H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.25 – 7.20 (m, 4H), 7.14 – 7.08 (m, 1H), 6.99 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 6.88 (dd, *J* = 9.1, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 6.48 (d, *J* = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 3.77 (s, 3H), 2.71 – 2.61 (m, 1H), 1.57 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 3H), 1.41 – 1.32 (m, 1H), 1.29–1.23 (m, 1H), 1.09–0.98 (m, 12H); **¹³C NMR** (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 153.39, 152.46, 144.35, 128.52, 128.27, 125.24, 121.18, 120.41, 117.23, 116.70, 104.65, 56.03, 27.73, 18.04, 17.97, 17.81, 17.70, 16.30, 13.19, 13.01; **HRMS** (*m/z*): [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₂H₃₀NO₂Si: 368.2046, found: 368.2043.



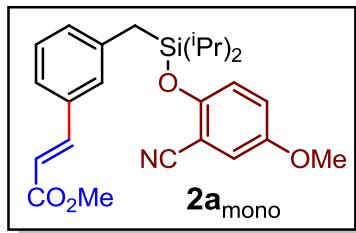
2-((2,6-dimethylbenzyl)diisopropylsilyl)oxy)-5-methoxybenzonitrile (Table 1, entry 1j): General procedure A was followed. Colorless oil. Eluent: petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (98/2

v/v). **¹H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.94 – 6.88 (m, 4H), 6.68 (dd, *J* = 9.1, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 5.93 (d, *J* = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 3.72 (s, 3H), 2.42 (s, 2H), 2.28 (s, 6H), 1.29–1.23 (m, 2H), 1.18 – 1.00 (m, 12H); **¹³C NMR** (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 153.26, 151.84, 136.13, 135.65, 128.38, 128.22, 124.70, 120.98, 119.95, 117.15, 116.48, 104.37, 55.99, 21.55, 17.65, 17.41, 15.71, 13.95; **HRMS (m/z):** [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₃H₃₂NO₂Si: 382.2124, found: 382.2123; **IR (thin film)** 687, 784, 883, 939, 1037, 1157, 1232, 1277, 1464, 1498, 1588, 1614, 2228, 2869, 2948 cm⁻¹.

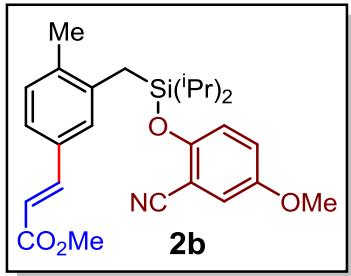


2-((2-bromo-5-methoxybenzyl)diisopropylsilyloxy)-5-methoxybenzonitrile (Table 1, entry 1k): General procedure A was followed. Colorless oil. Eluent: petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (97/3 v/v). **¹H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.32 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 6.97 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 6.87 (dd, *J* = 9.1, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 6.80 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 6.54 – 6.49 (m, 2H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 3.71 (s, 3H), 2.60 (s, 2H), 1.39 – 1.31 (m, 2H), 1.11 – 1.05 (m, 12H); **¹³C NMR** (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.04, 153.54, 152.10, 139.59, 133.49, 121.19, 120.30, 117.15, 116.74, 115.67, 114.92, 112.96, 104.83, 56.07, 55.62, 22.00, 17.58, 17.45, 13.47; **HRMS (m/z):** [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₂H₂₉BrNO₃Si: 462.1100, found: 462.1096.

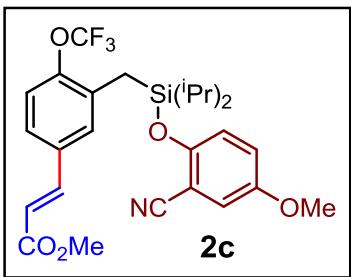
2.5 Characterization data of meta mono-olefinated product:



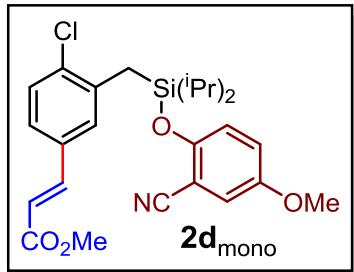
(E)-methyl-3-((2-cyano-4-methoxyphenoxy)diisopropylsilyl)methylphenyl)acrylate (Table 1, entry 2a_{mono}): Colorless oil. Mono/di = 7:1. Eluent: petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (95/5 v/v). **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.58 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 7.25 – 7.18 (m, 3H), 7.16 (s, 1H), 6.97 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 6.88 (dd, *J* = 9.1, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 6.52 (d, *J* = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 6.33 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 2.44 (s, 2H), 1.30 – 1.20 (m, 2H), 1.09–1.04 (m, 12H); **¹³C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.75, 153.78, 152.21, 145.44, 139.17, 134.67, 130.99, 129.16, 128.65, 124.73, 121.35, 120.69, 117.70, 117.04, 116.94, 105.14, 56.09, 51.88, 21.17, 17.62, 17.51, 13.04; **HRMS (m/z):** [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₅H₃₃NO₄Si: 438.2107, found: 438.2094; **IR (thin film)** 687, 883, 1173, 1232, 1279, 1498, 1639, 1717, 2227, 2868, 2949 cm⁻¹.



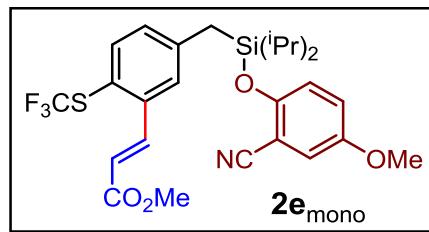
(E)-methyl-3-((2-cyano-4-methoxyphenoxy)diisopropylsilyl)methyl)-4-methylphenyl acrylate (Table 1, entry 2b): Colorless oil. Exclusive mono. Eluent: petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (95/5 v/v). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.61 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.23 (d, $J = 1.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.18 (dd, $J = 7.8, 1.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.04 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.93 (d, $J = 3.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.73 (dd, $J = 9.1, 3.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.33 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.07 (d, $J = 9.1$ Hz, 1H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.73 (s, 3H), 2.41 (s, 2H), 2.26 (s, 3H), 1.31–1.27 (m, 2H), 1.18 – 1.00 (m, 12H); ^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.90, 153.50, 151.79, 145.22, 138.76, 137.86, 132.31, 131.21, 129.13, 124.72, 121.05, 120.17, 117.05, 116.76, 116.66, 104.69, 56.00, 51.87, 20.68, 18.28, 17.65, 17.40, 13.15. **HRMS (m/z):** [M + H] $^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{36}\text{NO}_4\text{Si}$: 451.6300, found: 451.6298; **IR (thin film)** 678, 758, 882, 935, 1037, 1163, 1279, 1465, 1498, 1630, 1716, 2227, 2869, 2948 cm^{-1} .



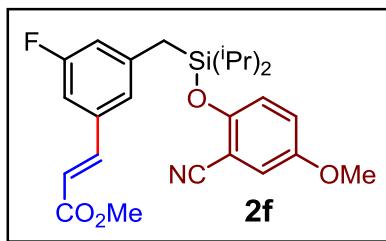
(E)-methyl 3-((2-cyano-4-methoxyphenoxy)diisopropylsilyl)methyl)-4-(trifluoromethoxy) phenylacrylate (Table 1, entry 2c): Colorless oil. Exclusive mono. Eluent: petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (95/5 v/v). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.61 – 7.55 (m, 1H), 7.23 – 7.18 (m, 2H), 7.17 – 7.13 (m, 1H), 6.99 – 6.95 (m, 1H), 6.90 – 6.85 (m, 1H), 6.53 – 6.50 (m, 1H), 6.36 – 6.31 (m, 1H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 2.44 (s, 2H), 1.26 – 1.25 (m, 2H), 1.11 – 1.04 (m, 12H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.71, 153.73, 152.14, 145.21, 139.54, 139.05, 134.66, 131.07, 129.17, 128.69, 124.70, 121.28, 120.59, 117.79, 117.06, 116.79, 105.05, 56.07, 51.88, 29.91, 21.24, 17.52, 13.07; **HRMS (m/z):** [M + H] $^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{30}\text{ClNO}_4\text{Si}$: $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{31}\text{F}_3\text{NO}_5\text{Si}$: 522.1924, found: 522.1934; **IR (thin film)** 626, 735, 824, 883, 1036, 1176, 1232, 1278, 1499, 1640, 1720, 2228, 2869, 2930 cm^{-1} .



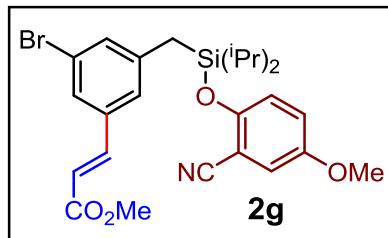
(E)-ethyl 3-(4-chloro-3-((2-cyano-4-methoxyphenoxy)diisopropylsilyl)methyl)phenyl acrylate (Table 1, entry 2d_{mono}): Light yellow oil. Mono/di= 5.2. Eluent: petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (95/5 v/v). **¹H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.53 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 7.36-7.34 (m, 2H), 7.18 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.97 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 6.86 (dd, *J* = 9.1, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 6.50 (d, *J* = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 6.33 – 6.28 (m, 1H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 2.60 (s, 2H), 1.35 – 1.34 (m, 2H), 1.09-1.03 (m, 12H); **¹³C NMR** (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.05, 153.66, 143.58, 141.77, 137.58, 135.12, 133.33, 132.22, 130.47, 126.84, 125.53, 121.22, 120.22, 118.91, 116.83, 104.98, 60.78, 56.06, 17.54, 17.42, 14.53, 13.55; **HRMS (m/z)**: [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₅H₃₀ClNO₄SiNa: 494.1530, found: 494.1524; **IR** (thin film) 692, 758, 883, 1039, 1180, 1232, 1279, 1498, 1638, 1714, 2228, 2868, 2929 cm⁻¹.



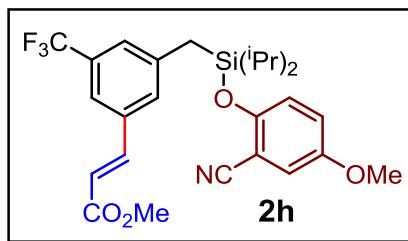
(E)-methyl 3-(5-((2-cyano-4-methoxyphenoxy) diisopropylsilyl) methyl)-2-((trifluoro methyl)thio)phenylacrylate (Table 1, entry 2e_{mono}): Colorless oil. Mono/di= 12.5. Eluent: petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (95/5 v/v). **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.23 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 7.57 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.42 (d, *J* = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.22 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 6.96 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 6.85 (dd, *J* = 9.1, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 6.45 (d, *J* = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 6.26 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 2.49 (s, 2H), 1.29–1.24 (m, 2H), 1.11-1.09 (m, 12H); **¹³C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.01, 153.84, 151.78, 143.41, 141.98, 139.88, 139.20, 131.38, 130.95, 127.92, 121.20, 121.10, 120.33, 116.98, 116.84, 104.99, 55.98, 52.09, 21.66, 17.55, 17.44, 13.07; **HRMS (m/z)**: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₆H₃₁F₃NO₄SSI: 538.1695, found: 538.1701; **IR** (thin film) 760, 883, 935, 1040, 1112, 1154, 1223, 1278, 1322, 1496, 1640, 1721, 2228, 2869, 2949 cm⁻¹.



(E)-methyl 3-(((2-cyano-4-methoxyphenoxy)diisopropylsilyl)methyl)-5-fluorophenyl acrylate (Table 1, entry 2f): Light yellow oil. Exclusive mono. Eluent: petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (94/6 v/v). **¹H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.52 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.98 (d, *J* = 3.3 Hz, 2H), 6.95 – 6.87 (m, 2H), 6.84 (d, *J* = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 6.57 (d, *J* = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 6.32 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 2.44 (s, 2H), 1.26 (m, 2H), 1.11–1.04 (m, 12H); **¹³C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.34; 164.44, 161.99 (*J* = 247 Hz), 153.85, 151.95, 143.91; 141.71, 141.63 (*J* = 8.1 Hz); 136.52, 136.44 (*J* = 8.1 Hz), 124.91, 124.89 (*J* = 2.0 Hz), 121.33, 120.51, 119.16; 117.72, 117.50 (*J* = 22.2 Hz), 117.00, 116.81; 110.85, 110.63 (*J* = 22.2 Hz), 105.11, 56.05, 52.00, 21.40, 17.55, 17.48, 13.08; **HRMS (m/z):** [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₅H₃₁FNO₄Si : 456.2006, found: 456.2017; **IR (thin film)** 673, 734, 883, 1037, 1174, 1232, 1280, 1498, 1640, 1716, 2228, 2868, 2950 cm⁻¹.

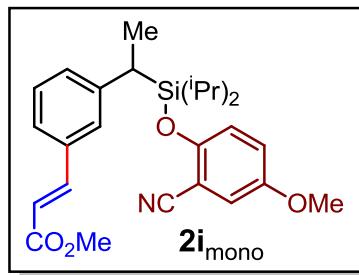


(E)-methyl 3-((3-bromo-5-(((2-cyano-4-methoxyphenoxy)diisopropylsilyl)methyl)phenyl)acrylate (Table 1, entry 2g): Yellow oil. Exclusive mono. Eluent: petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (94/6 v/v). **¹H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.54 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.27–7.25 (m, 1H), 7.16 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 6.97 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 6.88 (dd, *J* = 9.1, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 6.53 (d, *J* = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 6.30 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 3.80 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 3H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 2.46 (s, 2H), 1.30–1.24 (m, 2H), 1.09 – 1.03 (m, 12H); **¹³C NMR** (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.40, 153.70, 151.90, 148.15, 143.52, 132.83, 131.77, 131.11, 125.92, 121.27, 120.33, 120.19, 118.68, 116.97, 116.76, 104.96, 56.01, 51.97, 17.37, 17.29, 15.19, 13.35; **HRMS (m/z):** [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₅H₃₀BrNO₄Si: 515.1127, found: 515.1135; **IR (thin film)** 671, 762, 884, 1038, 1172, 1252, 1278, 1499, 1641, 1720, 2228, 2870, 2950 cm⁻¹.

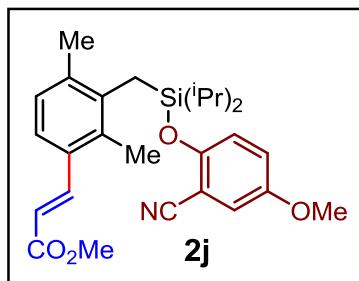


(E)-methyl 3-((3-(trifluoromethyl)-5-(((2-cyano-4-methoxyphenoxy)diisopropylsilyl)methyl)phenyl)acrylate (Table 1, entry 2h): Yellowish oil. Exclusive mono. Eluent: petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (95/5 v/v). **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.60 (d, *J* = 16.1 Hz, 1H), 7.46 (s, 1H), 7.40 (s, 1H), 7.31 (s, 1H), 6.97 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 6.89 (dd, *J* = 9.1, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 6.55 (d, *J* = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 6.40 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 2.50 (s, 2H), 1.29 – 1.22 (m, 2H), 1.10–1.04 (m, 12H); **¹³C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.18, 153.87, 151.79, 143.43,

140.50, 135.36; 132.07, 131.75, 131.63, 131.43 ($J = 32.3$ Hz); 131.11; 127.06, 127.03, 126.99, 126.96 ($J = 32.3$ Hz); 128.00, 125.29, 122.58, 119.87 ($J = 273.7$ Hz); 121.18, 121.14, 121.10, 121.07 ($J = 4.0$ Hz), 121.32, 120.41, 119.71, 116.95, 116.79, 105.06, 77.55, 77.23, 76.91, 56.01, 52.07, 21.38, 17.53, 17.46, 13.10; **HRMS (m/z)**: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₆H₃₁F₃NO₄Si : 506.1974, found: 506.1987; **IR** (thin film) 670, 755, 883, 1036, 1169, 1233, 1270, 1499, 1634, 1720, 2228, 2863, 2946 cm⁻¹.

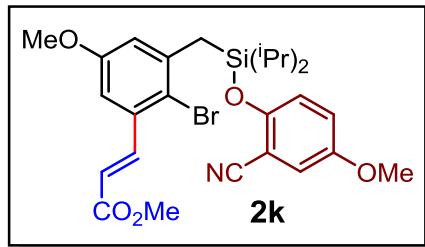


(E)-methyl 3-(3-((2-cyano-4-methoxyphenoxy)diisopropylsilyl)ethyl)phenyl)acrylate (Table 1, entry 2i_{mono}): Colorless oil. Mono/di = 9.3. Eluent: petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (94/6 v/v). **¹H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.61 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.32–7.24 (m, 4H), 6.98 (d, $J = 3.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.86 (dd, $J = 9.1, 3.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.50 (d, $J = 9.1$ Hz, 1H), 6.35 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 2.66 (m, 1H), 1.57 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 3H), 1.42 – 1.33 (m, 1H), 1.30–1.24 (m, 1H), 1.13 – 1.01 (m, 9H), 0.97 (m, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 3H); **¹³C NMR** (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.66, 153.53, 152.19, 145.20, 145.18, 134.45, 130.40, 129.06, 128.11, 125.00, 121.40, 120.24, 117.64, 117.06, 116.78, 104.67, 55.93, 51.86, 27.58, 18.03, 17.95, 17.76, 17.63, 16.14, 13.19, 13.07; **HRMS (ESI)**: calcd. for C₂₆H₃₄NO₄Si : 452.2257, found: 452.2254; **IR** (thin film) 687, 823, 883, 935, 1038, 1174, 1231, 1280, 1320, 1464, 1498, 1638, 1718, 2227, 2870, 2950 cm⁻¹.

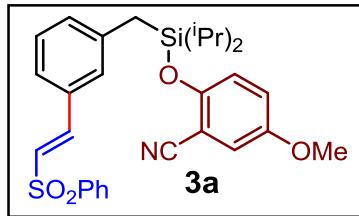


(E)-methyl 3-((3-((2-cyano-4-methoxyphenoxy)diisopropylsilyl)methyl)-2,4-dimethyl phenyl) acrylate (Table 1, entry 2j): Colorless oil. Exclusive mono. Eluent: petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (95/5 v/v). **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.95 (d, $J = 15.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.18 (d, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 1H), 6.92 (dd, $J = 10.1, 5.5$ Hz, 2H), 6.66 (dd, $J = 9.1, 3.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.21 (d, $J = 15.7$ Hz, 1H), 5.99 (d, $J = 9.1$ Hz, 1H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.71 (d, $J = 3.1$ Hz, 3H), 2.47 (d, $J = 10.0$ Hz, 2H), 2.36 – 2.29 (m, 6H), 1.27 – 1.23 (m, 2H), 1.16 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 6H), 1.03 (m, 6H); **¹³C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.80, 153.39, 151.69, 144.32, 138.11, 137.06, 135.03, 132.36, 128.49, 123.47,

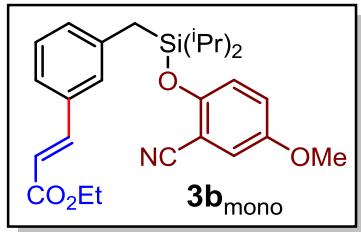
120.99, 119.72, 118.65, 117.05, 116.54, 104.41, 56.00, 51.81, 22.18, 17.64, 17.43, 17.13, 16.22, 14.09; **HRMS** (*m/z*): [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₇H₃₆NO₄Si: 466.2414, found: 466.2437; **IR** (thin film) 678, 758, 882, 935, 1037, 1163, 1279, 1465, 1498, 1630, 1716, 2227, 2869, 2948 cm⁻¹.



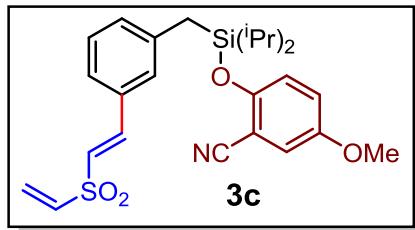
methyl (E)-3-(2-bromo-3-((2-cyano-4-methoxyphenoxy)diisopropylsilyl)methyl)-5-methoxyphenylacrylate (Table 1, entry 2k): Colorless oil. Exclusive mono. Eluent: petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (93/7 v/v). **¹H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.00 (d, *J* = 15.9 Hz, 1H), 6.94 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 6.87 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 6.85 – 6.80 (m, 2H), 6.49 (d, *J* = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 6.25 (d, *J* = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 3.73 (s, 3H), 2.68 (s, 2H), 1.40 – 1.31 (m, 2H), 1.11 – 1.05 (m, 12H); **¹³C NMR** (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.05, 158.54, 153.54, 151.90, 144.92, 141.09, 136.28, 121.04, 120.81, 120.13, 117.81, 117.38, 117.12, 116.68, 110.50, 104.82, 77.48, 77.23, 76.98, 56.02, 55.71, 52.03, 22.69, 17.58, 17.43, 13.57; **HRMS** (*m/z*): [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₆H₃₃BrNO₅Si: 546.1311, found: 546.1317.



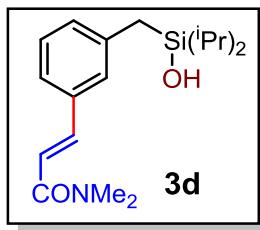
(E)-2-((diisopropyl(3-(2-(phenylsulfonylvinyl)benzyl)silyl)oxy)-5-methoxybenzonitrile (Table 2, entry 3a): Yellowish oil. Mono/di= 18.5. Eluent: petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (90/10 v/v). **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.95 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.55 (s, 4H), 7.20 (s, 4H), 6.94 (s, 1H), 6.90 – 6.85 (m, 1H), 6.79 (d, *J* = 15.4 Hz, 1H), 6.55 (s, 1H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 2.42 (s, 2H), 1.28 – 1.21 (m, 2H), 1.10-1.03 (m, 12H); **¹³C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 153.71, 152.03, 142.83, 140.96, 139.45, 133.53, 132.61, 131.93, 129.51, 129.30, 129.15, 127.85, 127.14, 125.19, 121.26, 120.38, 117.08, 116.81, 104.92, 56.09, 21.07, 17.57, 17.49, 13.07; **HRMS** (*m/z*): [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₉H₃₄NO₄SSi : 520.1978, found: 520.1987; **IR** (thin film) 624, 800, 893, 933, 1022, 1146, 1234, 1261, 1278, 1497, 1646, 2322, 2866, 2918 cm⁻¹.



(E)-ethyl 3-((2-cyano-4-methoxyphenoxy)diisopropylsilyl)methylphenylacrylate (Table 2, entry 3b_{mono}): Colorless oil. Mono: di = 7:1. Eluent: petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (95/5 v/v). **¹H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.59 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 7.28 (d, *J* = 4.2 Hz, 1H), 7.25 – 7.20 (m, 2H), 7.17 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.99 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 6.90 (dd, *J* = 9.1, 3.1 Hz, 1H), 6.54 (d, *J* = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 6.35 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 4.28 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 2.46 (s, 2H), 1.36 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H), 1.31 – 1.26 (m, 2H), 1.11–1.07 (m, 12H); **¹³C NMR** (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.24, 153.71, 152.11, 144.89, 139.00, 134.72, 130.96, 129.13, 128.67, 124.63, 121.23, 120.57, 118.24, 117.03, 116.80, 105.03, 60.65, 56.02, 21.18, 17.56, 17.50, 14.53, 13.04; **HRMS (m/z):** [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₆H₃₃NO₄SiNa : 474.2077, found: 474.2064; **IR (thin film)** 670, 757, 884, 1037, 1209, 1232, 1280, 1499, 1640, 1720, 2227, 2870, 2946 cm⁻¹.

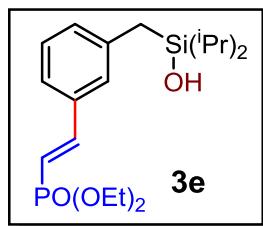


(E)-2-((diisopropyl(3-(2-vinylsulfonyl)vinyl)benzyl)silyloxy)-5-methoxybenzonitrile (Table 2, entry 3c): Yellowish oil. Mono/di = 14.2. Eluent: petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (90/10 v/v). **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.60 – 7.48 (m, 1H), 7.26 (m, 4H), 7.08 – 6.88 (m, 2H), 6.80 – 6.66 (m, 2H), 6.61 (s, 1H), 6.51 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 6.14 (d, *J* = 9.4 Hz, 1H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 2.49 (s, 2H), 1.33–1.27 (m, 2H), 1.11–1.07 (m, 12H); **¹³C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 153.79, 152.06, 144.82, 139.53, 137.97, 132.61, 132.16, 129.37, 129.11, 128.73, 125.34, 125.30, 121.33, 120.42, 116.86, 115.65, 104.97, 56.11, 21.11, 17.57, 17.52, 13.13; **HRMS (m/z):** [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₅H₃₂NO₄SSi: 470.1821, found: 470.1832; **IR (thin film)** 541, 691, 757, 848, 883, 1036, 1129, 1154, 1232, 1281, 1308, 1498, 1598, 1615, 2228, 2868, 2946 cm⁻¹.

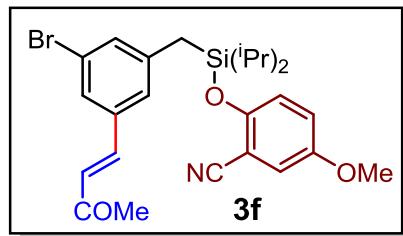


(E)-3-((hydroxydiisopropylsilyl)methylphenyl)-N,N-dimethylacrylamide (Table 2, entry 3d): Colorless oil. Exclusive mono. Eluent: petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (75/25 v/v). **¹H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.61 (d, *J* = 15.4 Hz, 1H), 7.28 (s, 1H), 7.22 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.10 (d, *J* =

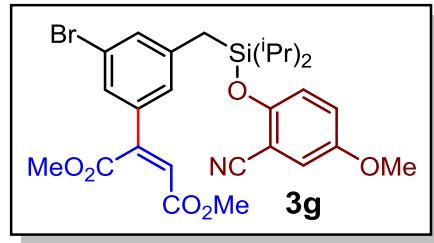
7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.85 (d, J = 15.4 Hz, 1H), 3.11 (d, J = 45.6 Hz, 6H), 2.22 (s, 2H), 1.28-1.21 (m, 2H), 1.02-10.96 (m, 12H); ^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.07, 142.89, 140.28, 135.63, 129.99, 128.97, 128.37, 123.79, 117.37, 29.90, 21.67, 17.49, 17.44, 12.93; HRMS (m/z): [M + H]⁺ calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{30}\text{NO}_2\text{Si}$: 320.2046, found: 320.2051; IR (thin film) 685, 760, 861, 883, 1146, 1226, 1258, 1399, 1463, 1489, 1611, 1648, 2864, 2926 cm^{-1} .



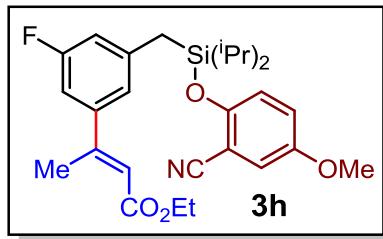
(E)-diethyl 3-((hydroxydiisopropylsilyl)methyl)styrylphosphonate (Table 2, entry 3e): Colorless oil. Exclusive mono. Eluent: petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (80/20 v/v). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.48 (d, J = 17.5 Hz, 1H), 7.42 (d, J = 17.5 Hz, 1H), 7.24 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 2H), 7.13 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 6.21 (t, J = 17.7 Hz, 1H), 4.18 – 4.07 (m, 4H), 2.21 (s, 2H), 1.35 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 6H), 1.03 – 0.96 (m, 14H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 149.39, 149.33, 140.49, 135.21, 134.98, 130.72, 129.03, 128.19, 123.82, 114.61, 112.70, 62.10, 62.04, 21.65, 17.48, 17.43, 16.64, 16.57, 12.92; HRMS (ESI): calcd. for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{34}\text{O}_4\text{PSi}$: 385.1886, found: 385.1888; IR (thin film) 527, 571, 607, 691, 853, 929, 1020, 1112, 1292, 1375, 1636, 1708, 1781 cm^{-1} .



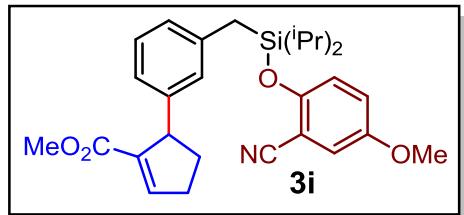
(E)-2-(((3-bromo-5-(3-oxobut-1-en-1-yl)benzyl)diisopropylsilyl)oxy)-5-methoxybenzonitrile (Table 2, entry 3f) : Light yellow oil. Exclusive mono. Eluent: petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (94/6 v/v). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.46 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 7.42 (d, J = 16.3 Hz, 1H), 7.30 (dd, J = 8.6, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 7.18 (dt, J = 8.6, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 6.97 (d, J = 3.1 Hz, 1H), 6.90 (dd, J = 9.1, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 6.60 (d, J = 5.3 Hz, 1H), 6.57 (d, J = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 2.46 (s, 2H), 2.37 (s, 3H), 1.31-1.25 (m, 2H), 1.09-1.04 (m, 12H); ^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 198.67, 153.70, 151.96, 142.24, 132.94, 131.79, 131.69, 127.87, 125.87, 121.33, 120.37, 120.11, 117.14, 116.81, 115.40, 104.84, 56.06, 27.77, 17.40, 17.28, 14.92, 13.41; HRMS (m/z): [M + H]⁺ calcd for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{31}\text{BrNO}_3\text{Si}$: 500.1257, found: 500.1269; IR (thin film) 760, 825, 884, 1037, 1174, 1251, 1278, 1499, 1614, 1671, 2228, 2870, 2947 cm^{-1} .



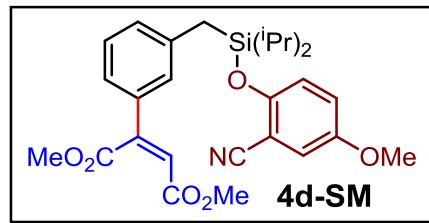
Dimethyl 2-(3-bromo-5-((2-cyano-4-methoxyphenoxy)diisopropylsilyl)methyl)phenyl maleate (Table 2, entry 3g): Colorless oil. Exclusive mono. Eluent: petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (95/5 v/v). **$^1\text{H NMR}$** (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.34 (d, $J = 2.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.19 (dd, $J = 10.1, 1.9$ Hz, 2H), 6.97 (d, $J = 3.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.88 (dd, $J = 9.1, 3.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.49 (d, $J = 9.1$ Hz, 1H), 6.19 (s, 1H), 3.89 (s, 3H), 3.78 (s, 3H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 2.47 (s, 2H), 1.26 – 1.24 (m, 2H), 1.09 – 1.03 (m, 12H); **$^{13}\text{C NMR}$** (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 168.17, 165.47, 153.75, 151.80, 148.516, 147.64, 132.690, 132.15, 131.60, 129.77, 124.94, 121.21, 120.37, 120.22, 117.96, 116.92, 104.99, 56.03, 52.96, 52.33, 17.37, 17.31, 15.47, 13.33; **HRMS (m/z)**: [M + Na]⁺ calcd for $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{32}\text{BrNNaO}_6\text{Si}$: 596.1080, found: 596.1091; **IR** (thin film) 737, 885, 912, 1036, 1156, 1156, 1255, 1499, 1628, 1738, 2227, 2872, 2953 cm^{-1} .



methyl (E)-3-((2-cyano-4-methoxyphenoxy)diisopropylsilyl)methyl-5-fluorophenylbut-2-enoate (Table 2, entry 3h): Colorless oil. Exclusive mono. Eluent: petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (95/5 v/v). **$^1\text{H NMR}$** (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 6.97 (d, $J = 3.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.93 (s, 1H), 6.91 – 6.85 (m, 2H), 6.81 (d, $J = 9.5$ Hz, 1H), 6.53 (d, $J = 9.1$ Hz, 1H), 6.00 (s, 1H), 4.20 (q, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 2.45 (d, $J = 3.4$ Hz, 5H), 1.31 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 3H), 1.26 – 1.22 (m, 2H), 1.10 – 1.06 (m, 12H); **$^{13}\text{C NMR}$** (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.83, 153.80, 141.12, 122.76, 122.75, 121.26, 120.47, 119.06, 118.01, 116.98, 116.81, 116.24, 116.07, 109.98, 109.80, 105.07, 60.18, 56.05, 21.55, 18.02, 17.56, 17.49, 14.53, 13.05; **HRMS (m/z)**: [M + H]⁺ calcd for $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{35}\text{FNO}_4\text{Si}$: 484.2319, found: 484.2324; **IR** (thin film) 757, 883, 1037, 1170, 1233, 1274, 1499, 1640, 1720, 2228, 2870, 2946 cm^{-1} .

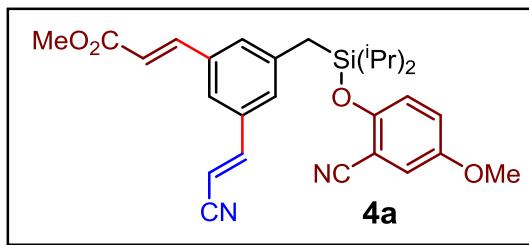


(R)-methyl 5-((2-cyano-4-methoxyphenoxy)diisopropylsilyl)methylphenyl)cyclopent-1-enecarboxylate (Table 2, entry 3i): Light yellow oil. Exclusive mono. Eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (94/6 v/v). **$^1\text{H NMR}$** (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.09 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 6.97 – 6.85 (m, 6H), 6.38 (d, $J = 9.1$ Hz, 1H), 4.08 – 4.01 (m, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 3.56 (s, 3H), 2.55 – 2.43 (m, 2H), 2.39 (s, 2H), 1.80 (dd, $J = 10.5, 6.5$ Hz, 1H), 1.28 – 1.17 (m, 3H), 1.07 – 1.00 (m, 12H); **$^{13}\text{C NMR}$** (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 165.35, 153.50, 152.29, 145.50, 145.13, 139.27, 138.13, 128.79, 127.33, 126.98, 123.77, 121.26, 120.73, 117.15, 116.65, 104.81, 56.04, 51.47, 50.13, 34.27, 32.37, 21.23, 17.52, 17.49, 17.44, 12.84, 12.79; **HRMS (m/z)**: [M + H]⁺ calcd for $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{36}\text{NO}_3\text{Si}$: 462.2464, found: 462.2471; **IR** (thin film) 710, 765, 883, 1036, 1095, 1232, 1281, 1498, 1598, 1718, 2227, 2868, 2946 cm^{-1} .



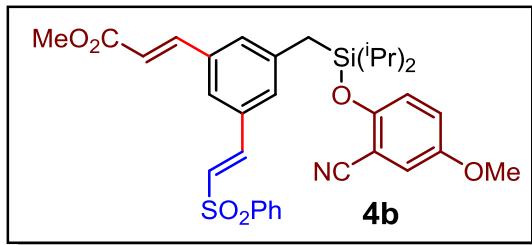
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2.6 Characterization data of sequential meta bis-olefinated product:

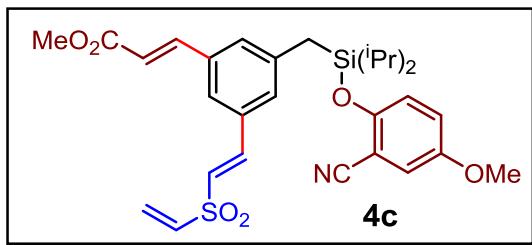


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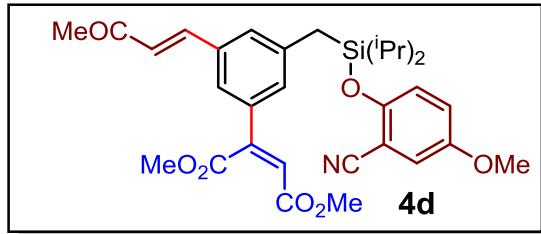
Hz, 1H), 6.39 (t, J = 11.5 Hz, 1H), 5.89 – 5.83 (m, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 2.45 (s, 2H), 1.29 – 1.23 (m, 2H), 1.09–1.04 (m, 12H); ^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.34, 153.86, 151.95, 150.07, 143.87, 140.42, 135.46, 134.44, 130.93, 129.36, 123.73, 121.46, 120.37, 119.20, 118.16, 117.08, 116.68, 104.95, 97.47, 56.06, 52.08, 21.08, 17.60, 17.51, 13.20; HRMS (m/z): [M + H]⁺ calcd for $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{33}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4\text{Si}$: 489.2210 found: 489.2219; IR (thin film) 758, 884, 1037, 1170, 1233, 1280, 1498, 1640, 1718, 2219, 2868, 2949 cm^{-1} .



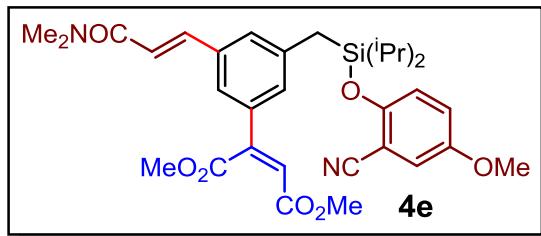
(E)-methyl 3-((3-(2-cyano-4-methoxyphenoxy)diisopropylsilyl)methyl)-5-((E)-2-(phenylsulfonyl)vinyl)phenylacrylate (Table 3, entry 4b): Colorless oil. Eluent: petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (85/15 v/v). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.95 (dt, J = 3.5, 2.4 Hz, 2H), 7.65 – 7.52 (m, 5H), 7.32 (s, 1H), 7.27 (s, 1H), 7.24 (s, 1H), 6.95 – 6.82 (m, 3H), 6.57 (d, J = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 6.35 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 2.43 (s, 2H), 1.28–1.19 (m, 2H), 1.07–1.03 (m, 12H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.25, 153.81, 151.87, 143.81, 141.78, 140.72, 140.36, 135.44, 133.64, 133.33, 130.95, 130.59, 129.55, 128.34, 127.91, 124.65, 121.30, 120.30, 119.16, 117.01, 116.81, 104.96, 56.05, 51.99, 21.08, 17.57, 17.48, 13.14; HRMS (m/z): [M + H]⁺ calcd for $\text{C}_{33}\text{H}_{38}\text{NO}_6\text{SSi}$: 604.2189, found: 604.2191; IR (thin film) 539, 756, 883, 1036, 1147, 1233, 1280, 1498, 1589, 1715, 2228, 2868, 2949 cm^{-1} .



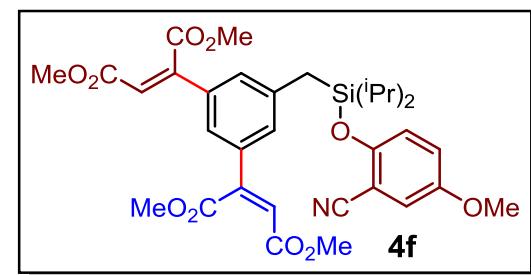
(E)-methyl 3-((3-(2-cyano-4-methoxyphenoxy)diisopropylsilyl)methyl)-5-((E)-2-(vinylsulfonyl)vinyl)phenylacrylate (Table 3, entry 4c): Light yellow oil. Eluent: petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (85/15 v/v). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.54 (dd, J = 29.3, 15.8 Hz, 2H), 7.36 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 6.98 (d, J = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 6.90 (dd, J = 9.1, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 6.76 (d, J = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 6.67 (dd, J = 16.6, 9.8 Hz, 1H), 6.60 (d, J = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 6.47 (d, J = 16.6 Hz, 1H), 6.38 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.11 (d, J = 9.8 Hz, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.77 (s, 3H), 2.46 (s, 2H), 1.28–1.24 (m, 2H), 1.09–1.05 (m, 12H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.27, 153.88, 151.93, 150.63, 143.80, 140.47, 137.82, 135.56, 133.34, 131.15, 130.52, 129.13, 126.58, 124.83, 121.39, 120.36, 119.29, 117.05, 116.85, 105.03, 56.08, 52.04, 21.14, 17.61, 17.52, 13.22; HRMS (m/z): [M + H]⁺ calcd for $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{36}\text{NO}_6\text{SSi}$: 554.2033, found: 554.2040; IR (thin film) 671, 755, 884, 1037, 1170, 1233, 1278, 1499, 1639, 1715, 2228, 2860, 2946, 3747 cm^{-1} .



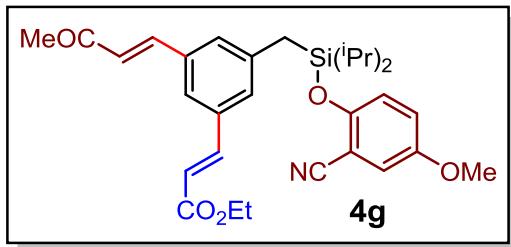
Dimethyl 2-((2-cyano-4-methoxyphenoxy)diisopropylsilyl)methyl-5-((E)-3-oxobut-1-en-1-yl)phenyl)maleate (Table 3, entry 4d): Yellowish oil. Eluent: petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (90/10 v/v). **$^1\text{H NMR}$** (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.56 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.32 – 7.24 (m, 2H), 7.20 (s, 1H), 6.96 (d, $J = 3.1$ Hz, 1H), 6.88 (ddd, $J = 9.1, 3.2, 0.9$ Hz, 1H), 6.53 (d, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.35 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.22 (s, 1H), 3.91 (s, 3H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 2.46 (s, 2H), 1.28-1.25 (m, 2H), 1.09 – 1.06 (m, 12H); **$^{13}\text{C NMR}$** (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 168.20, 167.30, 165.46, 153.80, 151.85, 148.35, 143.95, 140.29, 135.48, 134.17, 130.34, 128.76, 123.10, 121.28, 120.46, 119.17, 118.06, 116.98, 116.80, 105.03, 55.98, 52.99, 52.33, 52.02, 21.36, 17.56, 17.49, 13.05; **HRMS (m/z)**: [M + H]⁺ calcd for $\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{38}\text{NO}_7\text{Si}$: 563.2339, found: 563.2334.



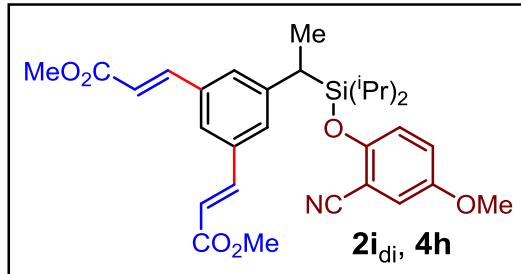
Dimethyl 2-((2-cyano-4-methoxyphenoxy)diisopropylsilyl)methyl-5-((E)-3-(dimethylamino)-3-oxoprop-1-en-1-yl)phenyl)maleate (Table 3, entry 4e): Colorless oil. Eluent: petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (70/30 v/v). **$^1\text{H NMR}$** (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.62 – 7.56 (m, 1H), 7.33 (s, 2H), 7.20 (s, 1H), 7.03 – 6.99 (m, 1H), 6.94 (t, $J = 6.1$ Hz, 2H), 6.89 – 6.82 (m, 1H), 6.30 (s, 1H), 3.93 (s, 3H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 3.19 (s, 3H), 3.08 (s, 3H), 2.23 (s, 2H), 1.30-1.23 (m, 2H), 1.01 – 0.97 (m, 12H); **$^{13}\text{C NMR}$** (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 182.88, 168.47, 165.57, 150.69, 148.82, 136.25, 133.97, 128.15, 125.55, 123.23, 122.66, 122.31, 122.12, 118.06, 117.91, 117.89, 116.78, 116.54, 115.69, 104.49, 56.14, 53.04, 52.34, 32.94, 29.91, 21.92, 17.51, 17.46, 12.94; **HRMS (m/z)**: [M + H]⁺ calcd for $\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{41}\text{N}_2\text{O}_7\text{Si}$: 593.2683, found: 593.2691; **IR** (thin film) 671, 757, 883, 1037, 1169, 1235, 1278, 1499, 1639, 1715, 2228, 2860, 2947 cm^{-1} .



tetramethyl 2,2'-(5-((2-cyano-4-methoxyphenoxy)diisopropylsilyl)methyl)-1,3-phenylene)dimaleate (Table 3, entry 4f): Yellowish oil. Eluent: petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (90/10 v/v). **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.29 – 7.26 (m, 1H), 7.23 (d, *J* = 1.6 Hz, 2H), 6.96 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 6.88 (dd, *J* = 9.1, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 6.50 (d, *J* = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 6.21 (s, 2H), 3.90 (s, 6H), 3.79 (s, 6H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 2.47 (s, 2H), 1.29–1.24 (m, 2H), 1.09–1.04 (m, 12H); **¹³C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 168.02, 165.42, 153.87, 151.76, 150.34, 148.11, 140.61, 134.48, 129.12, 121.68, 121.23, 120.47, 118.60, 116.95, 107.54, 105.06, 102.75, 55.99, 52.98, 52.35, 21.59, 17.54, 17.48, 13.01; **HRMS (m/z):** [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₃₃H₄₀NO₁₀Si: 638.2421, found: 838.2430; **IR (thin film)** 715, 758, 884, 1037, 1170, 1232, 1280, 1499, 1650, 1730, 2228, 2869, 2946 cm⁻¹.

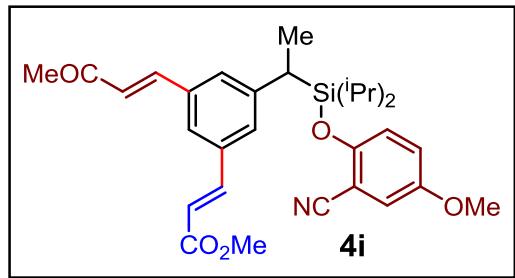


(E)-ethyl 3-((2-cyano-4-methoxyphenoxy)diisopropylsilyl)methyl-5-((E)-3-oxobut-1-en-1-yl)phenylacrylate (Table 3, entry 4g): Colorless oil. Eluent: petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (90/10 v/v). **¹H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.61 – 7.55 (m, 1H), 7.45 – 7.38 (m, 2H), 7.31 – 7.29 (m, 1H), 7.25 – 7.23 (m, 1H), 6.99 – 6.96 (m, 1H), 6.91 – 6.85 (m, 1H), 6.67 – 6.61 (m, 1H), 6.60 – 6.55 (m, 1H), 6.41 – 6.33 (m, 1H), 4.31 – 4.22 (q, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 2.46 (s, 2H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 1.33 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3H), 1.29 – 1.23 (m, 2H), 1.10–1.05 (m, 12H); **¹³C NMR** (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 198.55, 167.00, 153.82, 152.01, 143.95, 142.88, 140.04, 135.44, 130.48, 130.37, 127.91, 124.75, 124.43, 121.35, 120.44, 119.36, 117.09, 116.82, 105.04, 60.87, 56.06, 27.88, 21.11, 17.63, 17.56, 14.55, 13.20; **HRMS (m/z):** [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₃₀H₃₈NO₅Si: 520.2519, found: 520.2524; **IR (thin film)** 668, 757, 883, 1037, 1180, 1233, 1279, 1498, 1592, 1669, 1709, 2228, 2868, 2948 cm⁻¹.

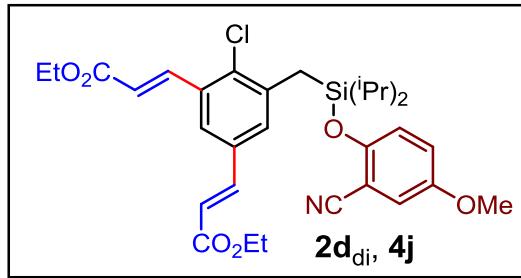


(2E,2'E)-dimethyl 3,3'-(5-(1-((2-cyano-4-methoxyphenoxy)diisopropylsilyl)ethyl)-1,3-phenylene)diacrylate (Table 3, entry 4h): Yellowish oil. Eluent: petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (90/10 v/v). **¹H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.59 (d, *J* = 12.2 Hz, 2H), 7.39 (s, 1H), 7.34 (s, 2H), 7.00 – 6.94 (m, 1H), 6.85 (dd, *J* = 9.1, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 6.51 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 6.38 (d, *J* = 10.5 Hz, 2H), 3.80 (s, 6H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 2.68 (q, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 1.58 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 3H), 1.40 – 1.32

(m, 1H), 1.28 – 1.22 (m, 1H), 1.11 – 1.06 (m, 6H), 1.04 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H), 0.97 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.42, 153.59, 152.10, 146.14, 144.35, 135.14, 129.52, 124.69, 121.27, 120.10, 118.73, 117.08, 116.73, 104.73, 55.96, 51.96, 27.68, 18.09, 18.00, 17.80, 17.65, 16.08, 13.25, 13.18; HRMS (m/z): [M + H] $^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{38}\text{NO}_6\text{Si}$: 535.2468, found: 535.2471; IR (thin film) 683, 757, 884, 983, 1037, 1168, 1233, 1281, 1498, 1638, 1719, 2228, 2870, 2950 cm^{-1} .

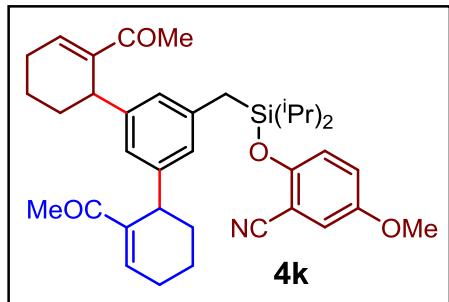


(E)-methyl 3-(3-((2-cyano-4-methoxyphenoxy)diisopropylsilyl)ethyl)-5-((E)-3-oxobut-1-en-1-yl)phenylacrylate (Table 3, entry 4i): Colorless oil. Eluent: petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (90/10 v/v). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.62 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (dd, J = 11.9, 8.9 Hz, 3H), 7.36 (s, 1H), 6.99 (d, J = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 6.87 (s, 1H), 6.68 (d, J = 16.3 Hz, 1H), 6.55 (d, J = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 6.41 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 2.73 – 2.63 (m, 1H), 2.39 (s, 3H), 1.56 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H), 1.40–1.33 (m, 1H), 1.29–1.23 (m, 1H), 1.10 (m, 6H), 1.03 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H), 0.95 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 198.59, 167.46, 153.64, 152.19, 146.30, 144.36, 142.97, 135.34, 135.23, 129.92, 129.74, 127.93, 124.81, 121.35, 120.09, 118.84, 117.20, 116.83, 104.72, 56.04, 52.02, 27.86, 27.67, 18.16, 18.05, 17.84, 17.67, 16.20, 13.37, 13.30; HRMS (m/z): [M + H] $^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{38}\text{NO}_5\text{Si}$: 520.2519, found: 520.2530; IR (thin film) 672, 737, 912, 1037, 1167, 1233, 1280, 1498, 1639, 1719, 2225, 2871, 2955 cm^{-1} .



(2E,2'E)-diethyl 3,3'-(4-chloro-5-(((2-cyano-4-methoxyphenoxy)diisopropylsilyl)methyl)-1,3-phenylene)diacrylate (Table 3, entry 4j): Colorless oil. Eluent: petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (90/10 v/v). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.57 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 2H), 7.37 (s, 1H), 7.22 (d, J = 0.9 Hz, 1H), 6.96 (t, J = 4.3 Hz, 1H), 6.87 (dd, J = 9.1, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 6.54 (d, J = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 6.36 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 2H), 4.26 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 4H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 2.45 (s, 2H), 1.34 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 6H), 1.29–1.25 (m, 2H), 1.12 – 1.05 (m, 12H); ^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.81, 166.52, 153.63, 151.79, 142.95, 141.12, 138.96, 135.19, 134.26, 133.06, 131.03, 123.83, 121.88, 121.14, 120.06, 119.73, 117.02, 116.68, 104.95, 60.99, 60.89, 56.01, 29.91, 19.64, 17.56, 17.41,

14.51, 13.63; **HRMS (m/z):** [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₃₁H₃₉ClNO₆Si: 584.2235, found: 584.2241; **IR** (thin film) 632, 757, 884, 1033, 1170, 1232, 1280, 1499, 1640, 1720, 2228, 2869, 2947 cm⁻¹.



2-(((1R,1'R)-6,6''-diacetyl-1,1'',2,2'',3,3'',4,4''-octahydro-[1,1':3',1''-terphenyl]-5'-yl)methyl)diisopropylsilyloxy-5-methoxybenzonitrile (Table 3, entry 4k): Colorless oil. Eluent: petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (90/10 v/v). **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.06 (dd, *J* = 6.7, 3.4 Hz, 2H), 6.94 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 6.88 (ddd, *J* = 9.1, 3.2, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 6.68 – 6.57 (m, 3H), 6.12 (t, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 3.88–3.86 (m, 2H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 2.32–2.33 (m, 2H), 2.26–2.24 (m, 2H), 2.13 (s, 3H), 2.12 (s, 3H), 1.78 – 1.72 (m, 3H), 1.60–1.58 (m, 2H), 1.44 – 1.41 (m, 3H), 1.20–1.15 (m, 2H), 1.20–0.98 (m, 12H); **¹³C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 198.79, 198.71, 153.47, 152.19, 145.27, 145.24, 141.59, 141.52, 141.19, 137.52, 137.39, 126.25, 126.15, 124.63, 124.36, 121.35, 120.79, 116.66, 104.53, 56.02, 38.64, 38.52, 31.41, 31.31, 26.29, 26.07, 21.16, 17.52, 17.48, 17.45, 17.40, 17.10, 16.97, 12.77, 12.70, 12.65; **HRMS (m/z):** [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₃₇H₄₈NO₄Si: 598.3353, found: 598.3361; **IR** (thin film) 671, 755, 884, 1036, 1169, 1232, 1280, 1499, 1530, 1640, 1734, 2228, 2869, 2946 cm⁻¹.

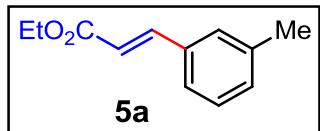
2.8 Intermolecular control experiment:



In a clean, oven-dried screw cap reaction tube containing magnetic stir-bar, **2a** (0.2 mmol), **2g** (0.2 mmol), Pd(OAc)₂ (0.03 mmol), N-Acetyl-glycine (0.06 mmol), Ag₂CO₃ (0.8 mmol) were weighed and the tube was tightly closed by screw cap fitted with rubber septum. The tube was evacuated and filled with nitrogen through standard Schlenk technique, and this sequence was repeated for three additional times. Then, under positive pressure of nitrogen, olefin (1 equiv, 0.2 mmol), DCE (2.4 mL) and TFE (0.8 mL) were added sequentially by syringes. The reaction tube was placed in a preheated oil bath at 65 °C to stir vigorously for 20 h. Then reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and filtered through celite with aid of ethyl acetate (10 mL). Then, this filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure and purified by column chromatography through silica gel using petroleum ether/ethyl acetate as eluent to obtain pure **2a_{mono}** (36 mg) as

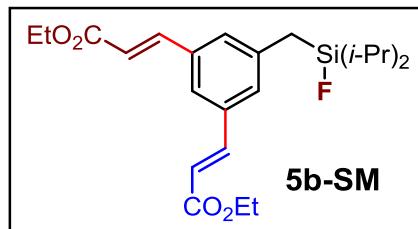
colorless liquid and **2g** (37 mg) as light yellow liquid. Characterization data were identical with previously observed data for individual cases.

2.9 Applicability of meta C-H olefination:



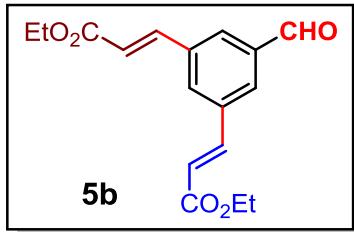
(E)-ethyl 3-((hydroxydiisopropylsilyl)methyl)phenyl)acrylate (Scheme 5, entry 5a):

n-tetrabutylammonium fluoride (TBAF) in THF (1 M, 2 equiv.) was added to a solution of **3c_{mono}** in THF (0.4 mmol in 3 mL) and stirred at room temperature for 2 h. This solution was concentrated and purified by column chromatography. Yellowish oil. Eluent: ether/ ethyl acetate (96/4 v/v). **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.66 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 7.28 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.42 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 4.26 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.37 (s, 3H), 1.34 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H); **¹³C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.33, 145.00, 138.77, 134.68, 131.29, 129.00, 128.96, 125.48, 118.30, 60.70, 21.56, 14.57; **HRMS (m/z):** [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₂H₁₅O₂: 191.1072, found: 191.1065; **IR** (thin film) 529, 571, 691, 853, 929, 1020, 1296, 1377, 1632, 1708, 1783 cm⁻¹.



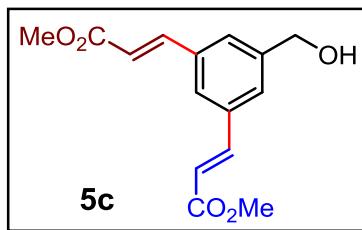
diethyl 3,3'-(5-((fluorodiisopropylsilyl)methyl)-1,3-phenylene)(2E,2'E)-diacrylate (Scheme 5, entry 5b-SM):

Trimethyloxonium tetrafluoroborate (Me₃O⁺BF₄⁻, 2 equiv.) was added to a solution of **3c_{di}** in DCE (0.4 mmol in 2 mL) under inert atmosphere and stirred at 50 °C for 48 h. After completion, the reaction mixture was diluted with 10 mL DCM and treated with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ solution (10 mL). The mixture was stirred for additional 30 min at room temperature. Aqueous work up followed by concentration of combined organic portions and purification by column chromatography led to desire product. Colorless oil. Eluent: ether/ ethyl acetate (92/8 v/v). **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.64 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 2H), 7.42 (s, 1H), 7.29 (s, 2H), 6.44 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 2H), 4.27 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 4H), 2.30 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 1.34 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 6H), 1.06 – 0.99 (m, 14H); **¹³C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.02, 144.09, 139.78, 135.40, 130.00, 124.30, 119.28, 60.82, 16.93, 14.52, 12.39, 12.27; **HRMS (m/z):** [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₃H₃₄FO₄Si: 421.2210, found: 421.2214.



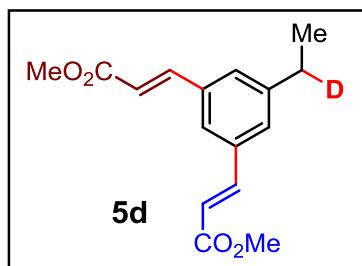
diethyl 3,3'-(5-formyl-1,3-phenylene)(2E,2'E)-diacrylate (Scheme 5, entry 5b):

A screw cap reaction tube containing stirring bar was charged with compound **5b** (0.2 mmol), CsF (2 equiv.) and PhNO (3 equiv.). Commercial DMF (1mL) was added via syringe and the reaction mixture was heated at 65 °C for 2 h. After aqueous work up combined organic layer was concentrated and purified by column chromatography. Light yellow solid. Eluent: ether/ ethyl acetate (88/12 v/v). **1H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.06 (s, 1H), 8.02 (s, 2H), 7.86 (s, 1H), 7.72 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 2H), 6.56 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 2H), 4.29 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 4H), 1.35 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 6H); **13C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.24, 166.48, 142.29, 137.67, 136.51, 132.78, 129.89, 121.31, 61.11, 14.48; **HRMS (m/z)**: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₇H₁₉O₅: 303.1232, found: 303.1228.



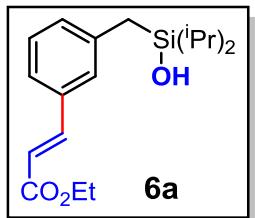
dimethyl 3,3'-(5-(hydroxymethyl)-1,3-phenylene)(2E,2'E)-diacrylate (Scheme 5, entry 5c):

A screw cap reaction tube containing stirring bar was charged with compound **4a** (0.2 mmol), KF (2 equiv.) and KHCO₃ (10 equiv.). THF (0.5 mL), MeOH (0.5 mL) and 30% H₂O₂ (200 μL) were added via syringes and the reaction mixture was heated at 60 °C for 36 h. After aqueous work up combined organic layer was concentrated and purified by column chromatography. Light yellow oil. Eluent: ether/ ethyl acetate (80/20 v/v). **1H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.68 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 2H), 7.54 (s, 3H), 6.48 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 2H), 4.75 (s, 2H), 3.82 (s, 6H); **13C NMR** (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.38, 143.98, 142.61, 135.56, 127.90, 127.16, 119.25, 64.65, 52.07; **HRMS (m/z)**: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₅H₁₇O₅: 277.1076, found: 277.1074; **IR** (thin film) 671, 759, 852, 982, 1038, 1176, 1199, 1294, 1313, 1438, 1639, 1720, 2853, 2925 cm⁻¹.



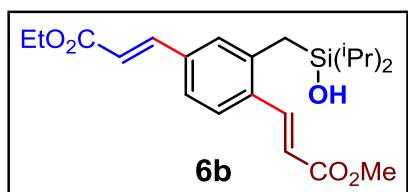
dimethyl 3,3'-(5-(ethyl-1-d)-1,3-phenylene)(2E,2'E)-diacrylate (Scheme 5, entry 5d):

n-tetrabutylammonium fluoride (TBAF) in THF (1 M, 2 equiv.) was added to a solution of **4j** in CD₃OD (0.2 mmol in 1 mL) and stirred at room temperature for 2 h. This solution was concentrated and purified by column chromatography. Light yellow oil. Eluent: ether/ ethyl acetate (80/20 v/v) mixture as eluent. Deuterium incorporation ~70%. **¹H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.67 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 2H), 7.46 (s, 1H), 7.36 (s, 2H), 6.46 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 2H), 3.81 (s, 6H), 2.68 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 1.25 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 3H); **¹³C NMR** (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.47, 145.79, 144.41, 135.26, 129.44, 125.43, 118.71, 51.99, 28.79, 28.61, 28.45, 28.30, 15.55, 15.47; **HRMS (m/z)**: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₆H₁₈DO₄: 275.1268, found: 275.1273.



ethyl (E)-3-((hydroxydiisopropylsilyl)methyl)phenylacrylate (Scheme 6, entry 6a):

A screw cap reaction tube containing stirring bar was charged with compound **3c_{mono}** (0.4 mmol) and *p*-toluenesulfonic acid (0.04 mmol). 3 mL wet ethanol (EtOH: H₂O; 3:1) was added at room temperature and the reaction mixture was heated at 100 °C for 16 h. After work up with ethyl acetate combined organic layer was concentrated and purified by column chromatography. Colorless oil. Eluent: ether/ ethyl acetate (93/7 v/v). **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.64 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 7.29 – 7.23 (m, 3H), 7.14 (dt, *J* = 6.5, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 6.40 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 4.25 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.22 (s, 2H), 1.33 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H), 1.03 – 0.97 (m, 14H); **¹³C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.35, 145.15, 140.40, 134.71, 130.70, 129.07, 128.39, 124.29, 118.17, 60.68, 21.63, 17.47, 17.42, 14.53, 12.91; **HRMS (m/z)**: [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₈H₂₉O₃Si: 321.1886, found: 321.1883.



ethyl (E)-3-((hydroxydiisopropylsilyl)methyl)-4-((E)-3-methoxy-3-oxoprop-1-en-1-yl)phenylacrylate (Scheme 6, entry 6b):

A screw cap reaction tube containing stirring bar was charged with Pd(OAc)₂ (20 mol%), compound **4a** (0.1 mmol), AgOAc (2 equiv.), KH₂PO₄ (2 equiv.), methyl acrylate (2 equiv.) and CHCl₃ (1 mL). The reaction tube was sealed and heated at 100 °C for 16 h with vigorous stirring. The reaction mixture was cooled and filtered through celite with the aid of ethyl acetate. This filtrate was concentrated and purified by column chromatography. Yelloish oil. Eluent: ether/ ethyl acetate (88/12 v/v). **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.00 (d, *J* = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 7.57 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.30 – 7.19 (m, 2H), 6.39 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.33 (d, *J* = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 4.22 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 2.33 (s, 2H), 1.30 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H), 0.99

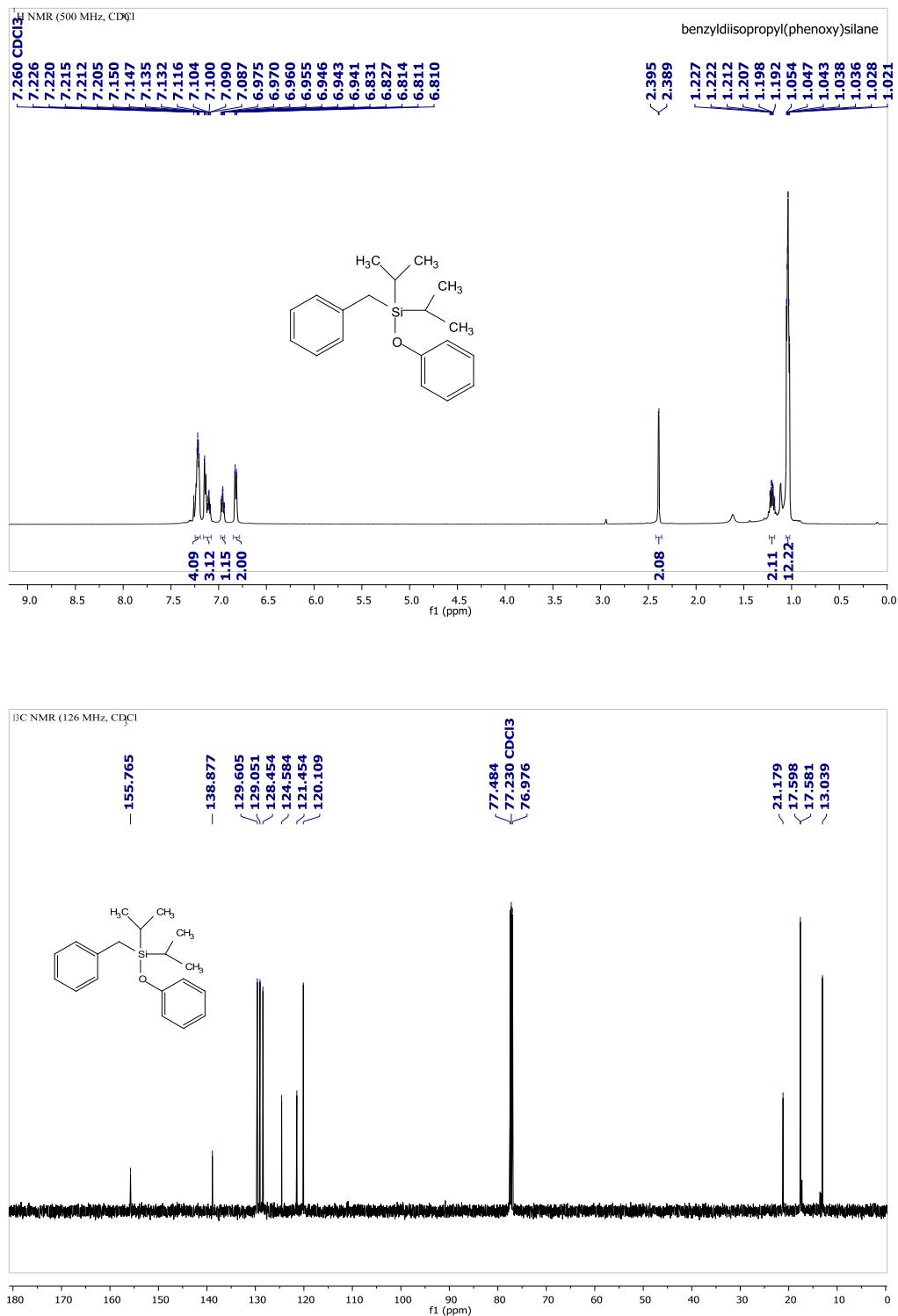
– 0.95 (m, 14H); **¹³C NMR** (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.67, 167.09, 144.03, 142.59, 140.99, 136.03, 134.13, 130.39, 127.27, 124.46, 119.22, 60.82, 51.99, 19.78, 17.45, 17.36, 14.52, 13.13; **HRMS (m/z):** [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₁₂H₃₂O₅NaSi: 427.1917, found: 427.1919.

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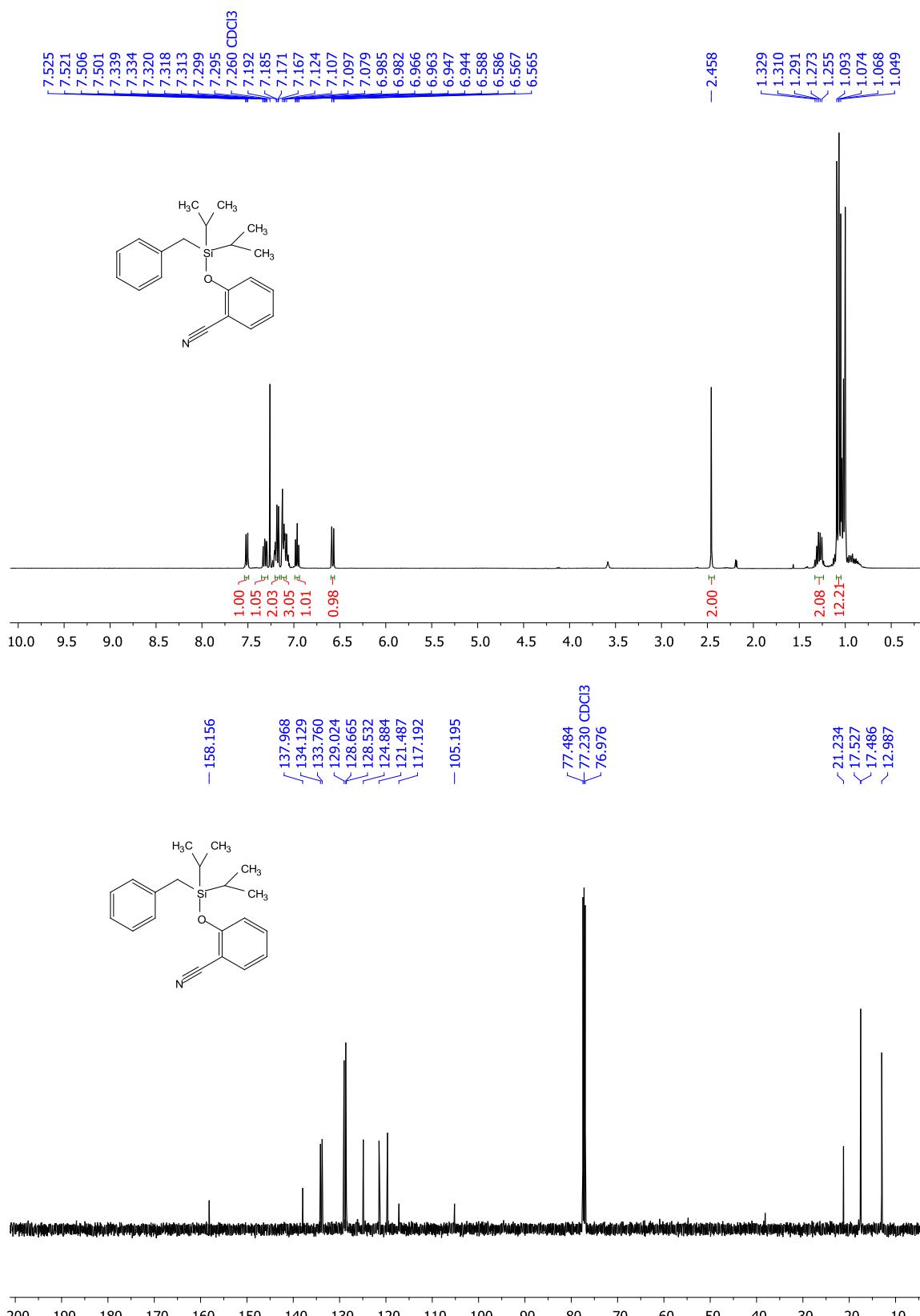
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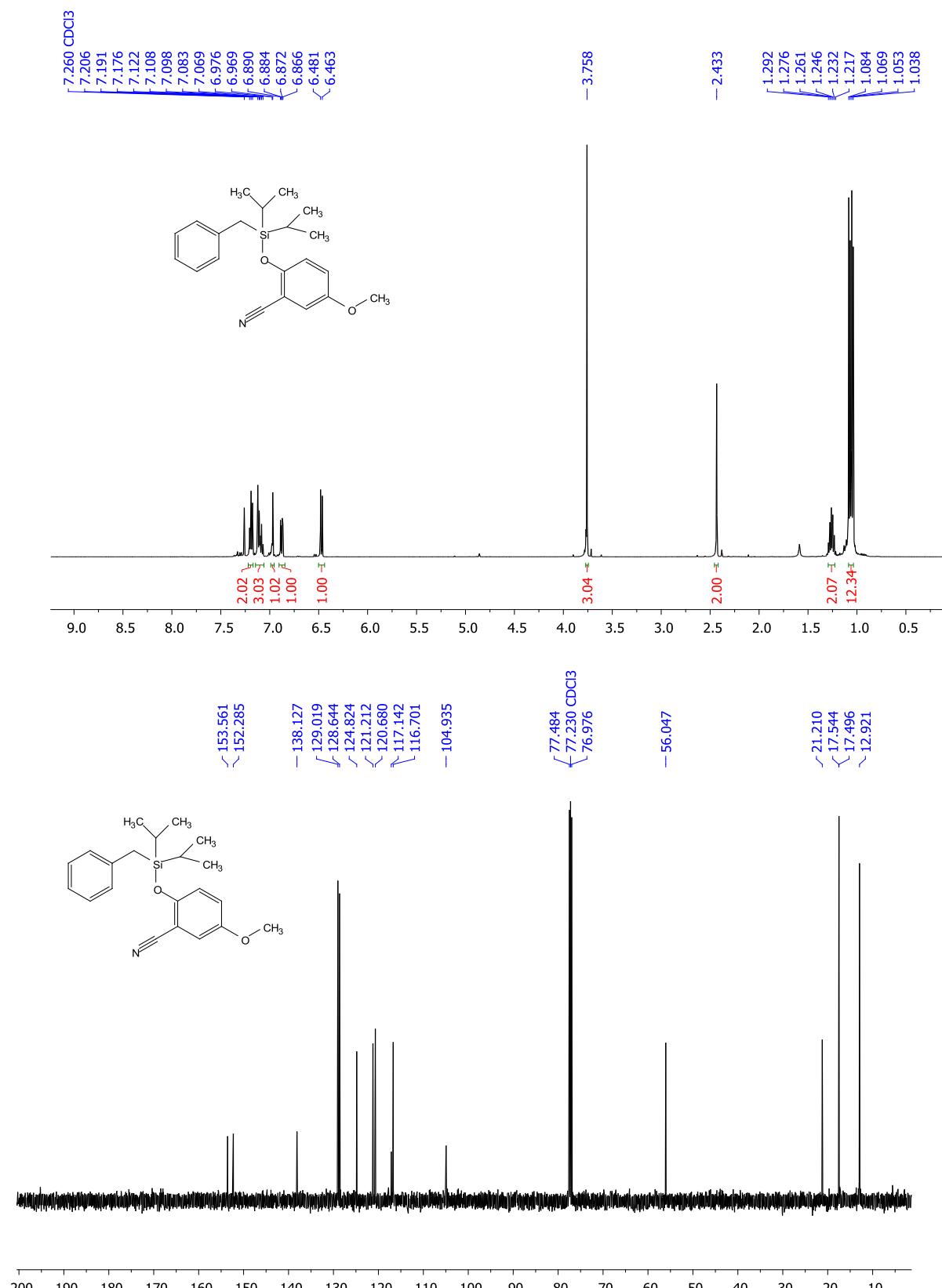
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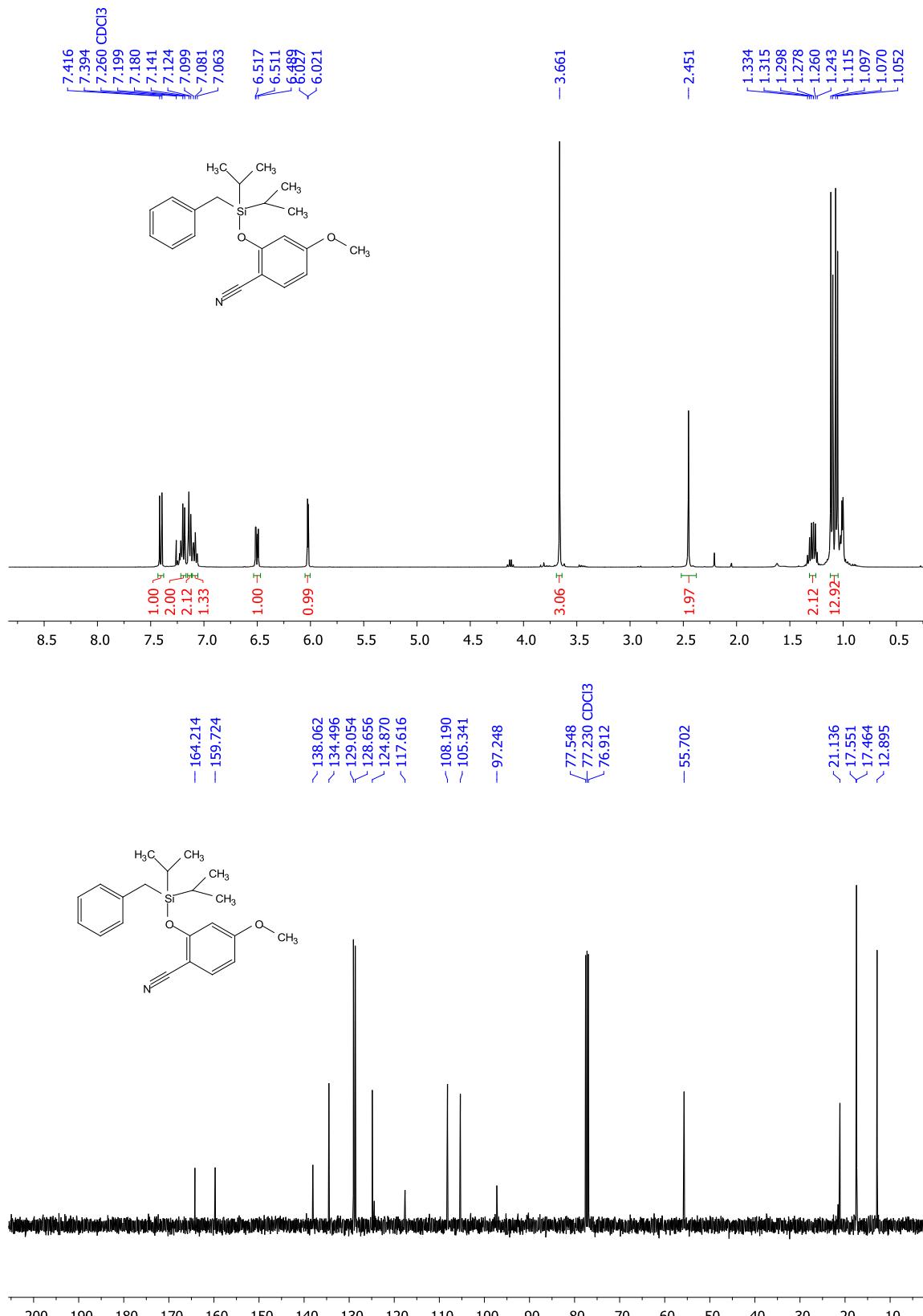
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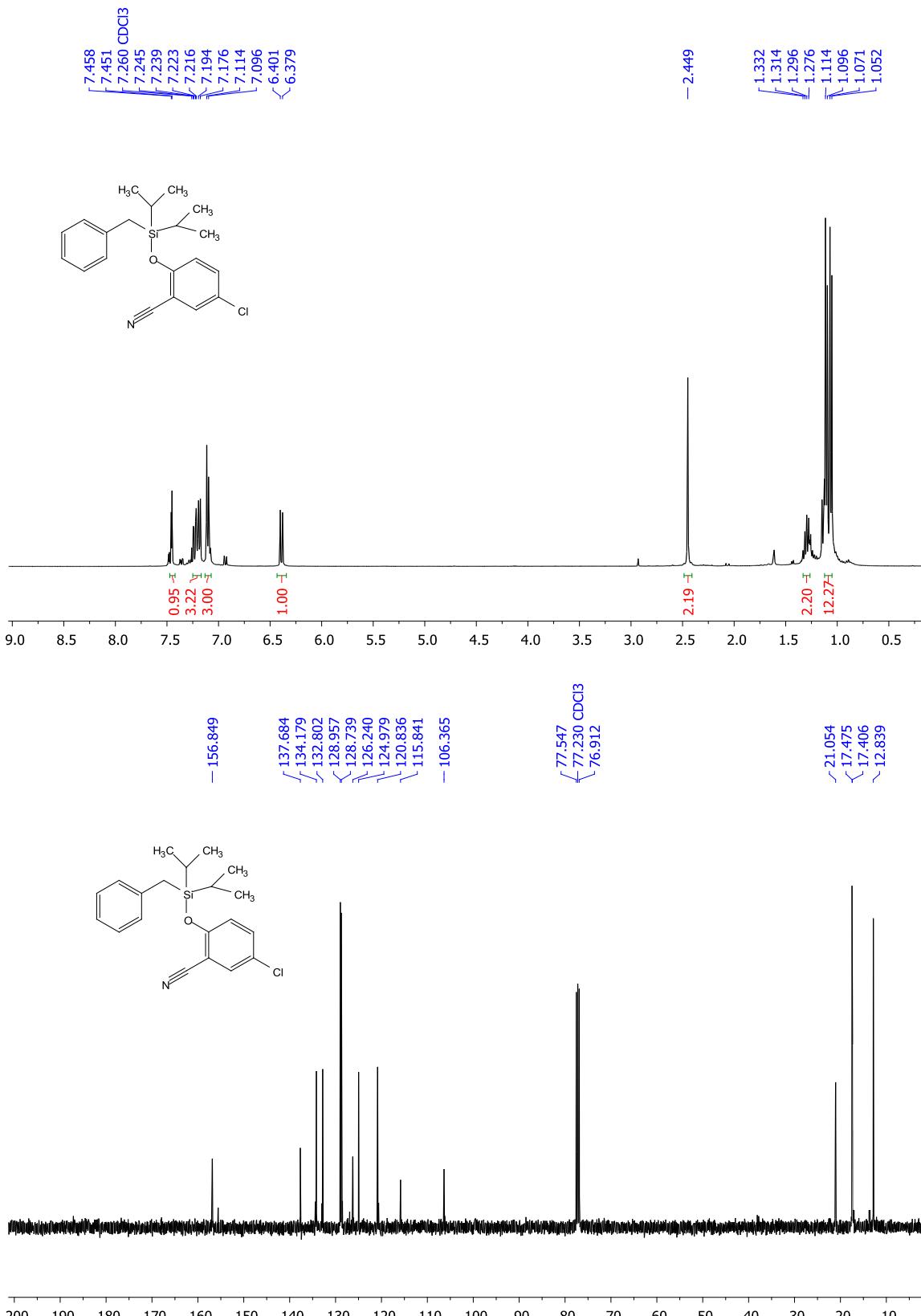


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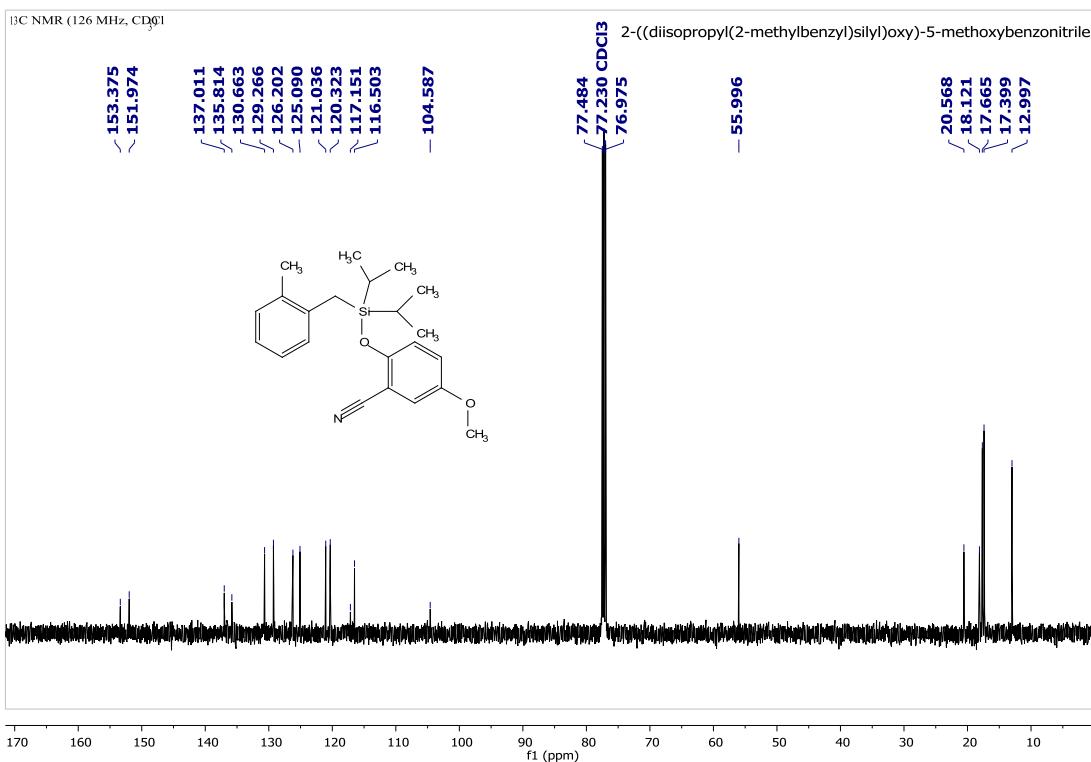
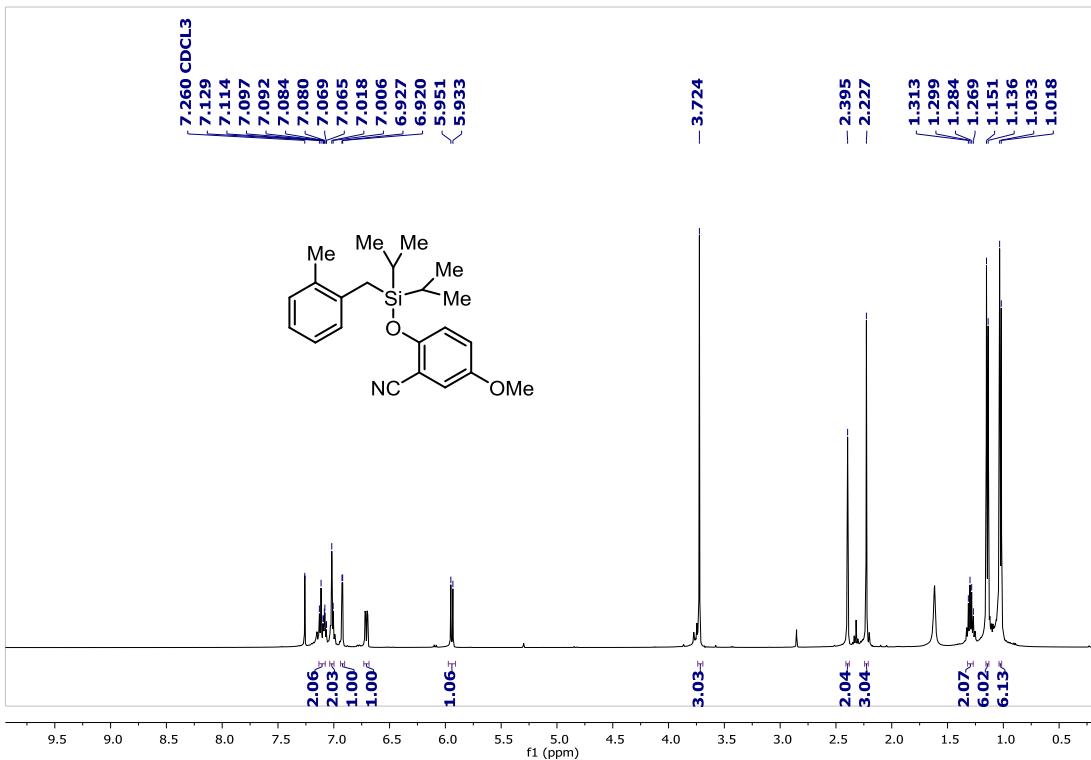


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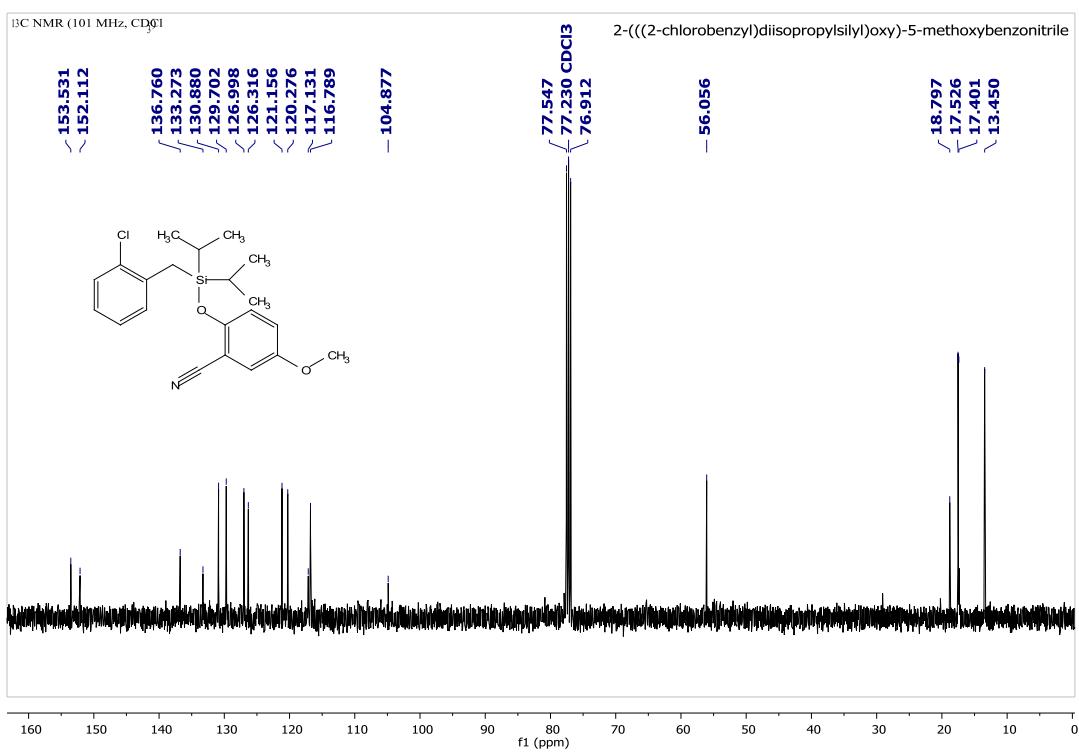
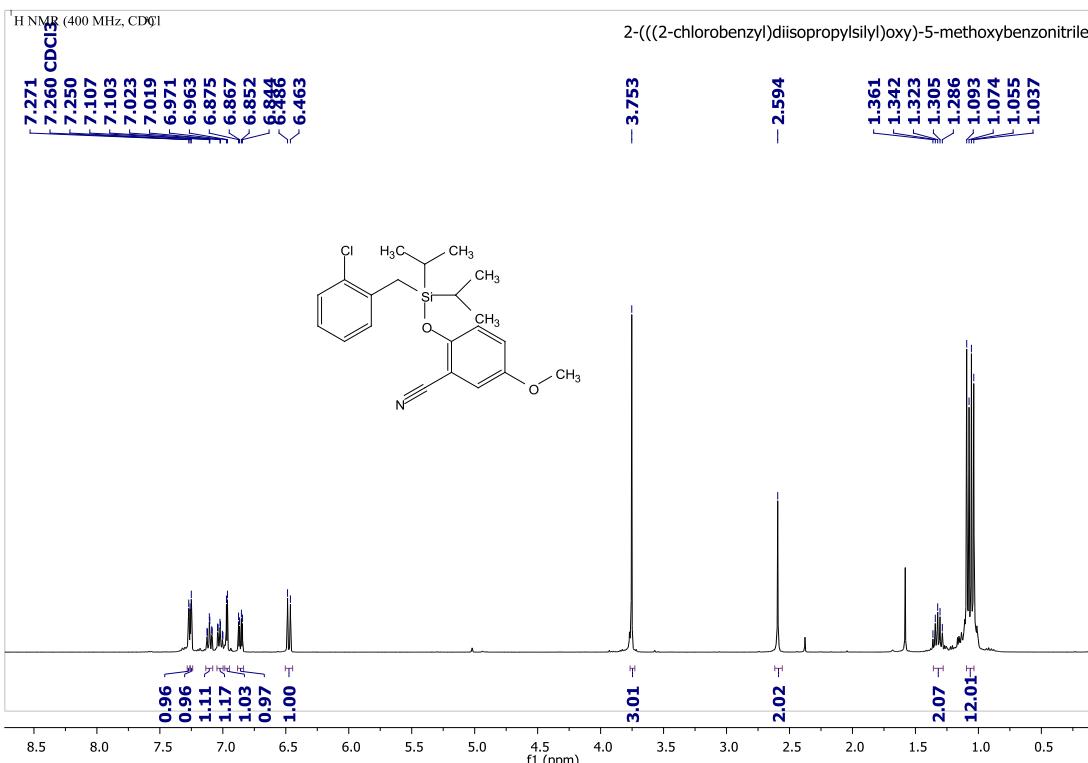


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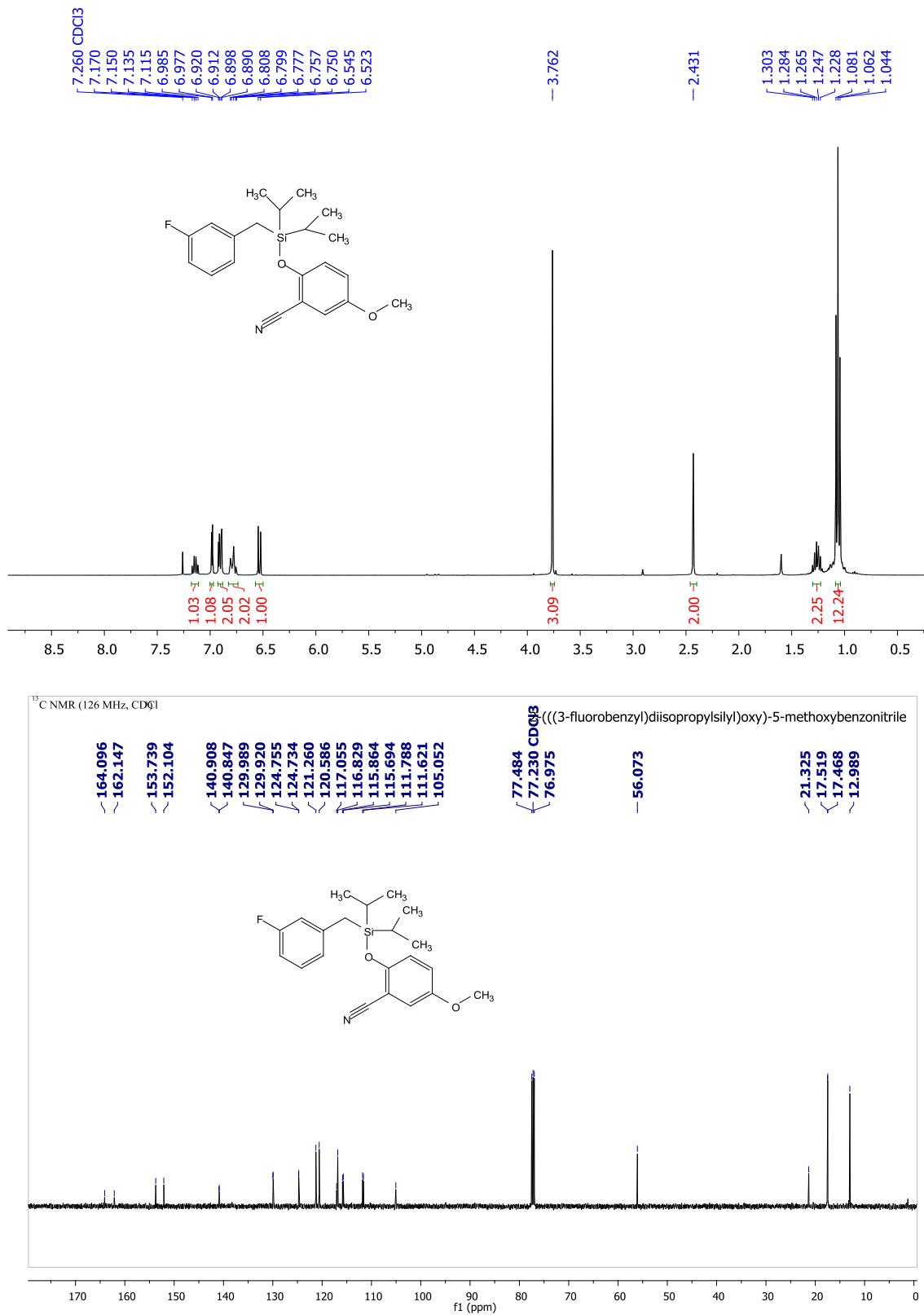


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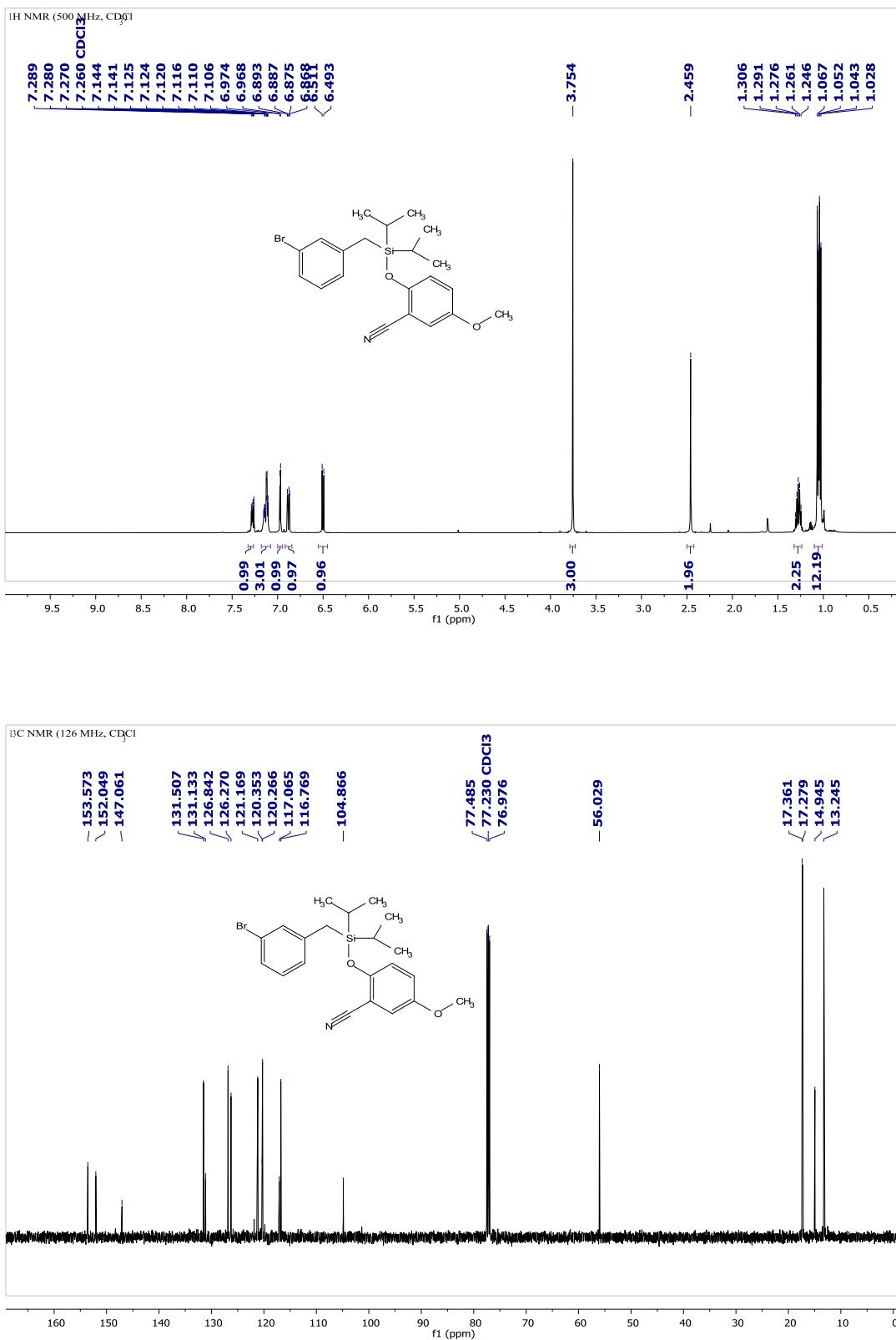


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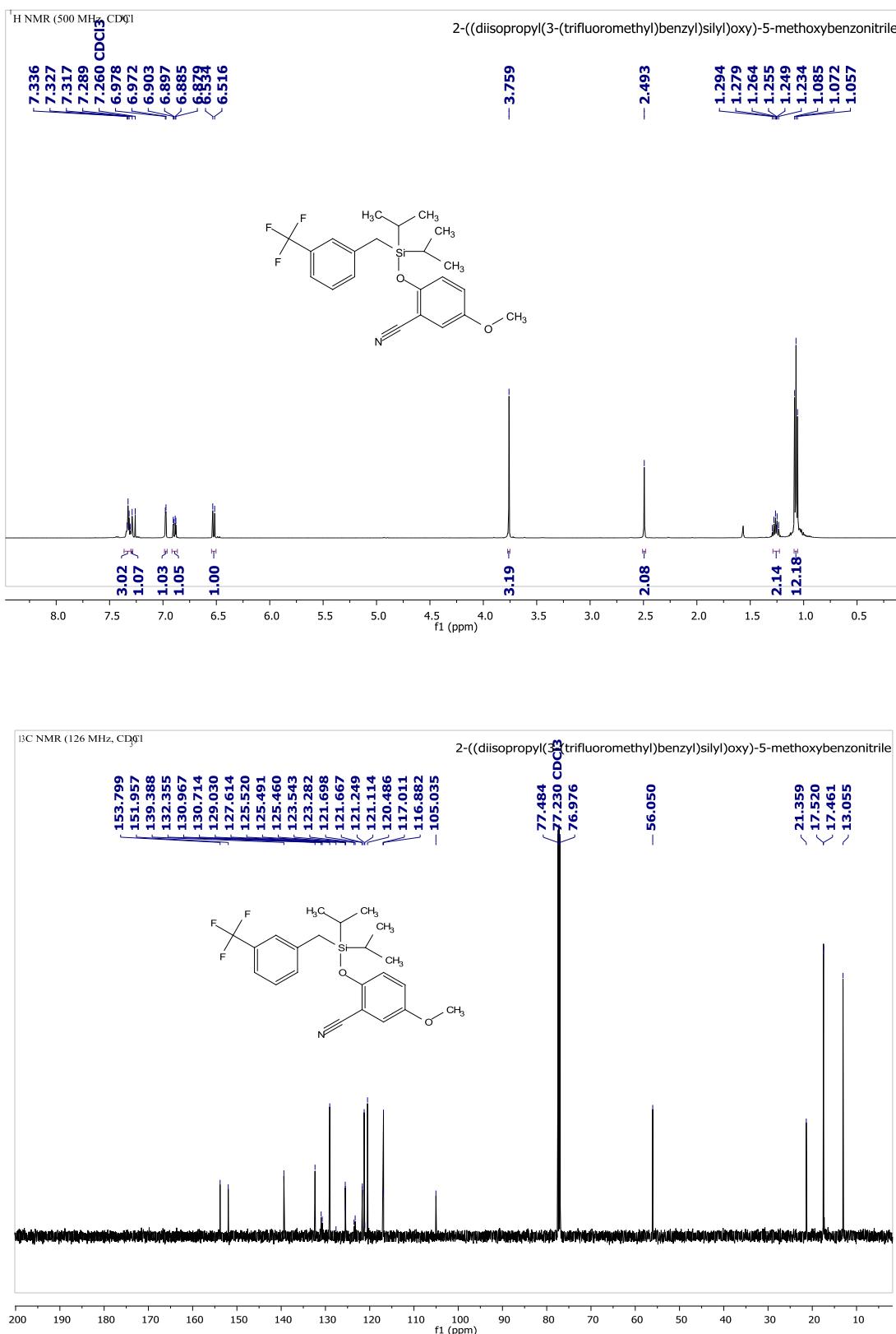


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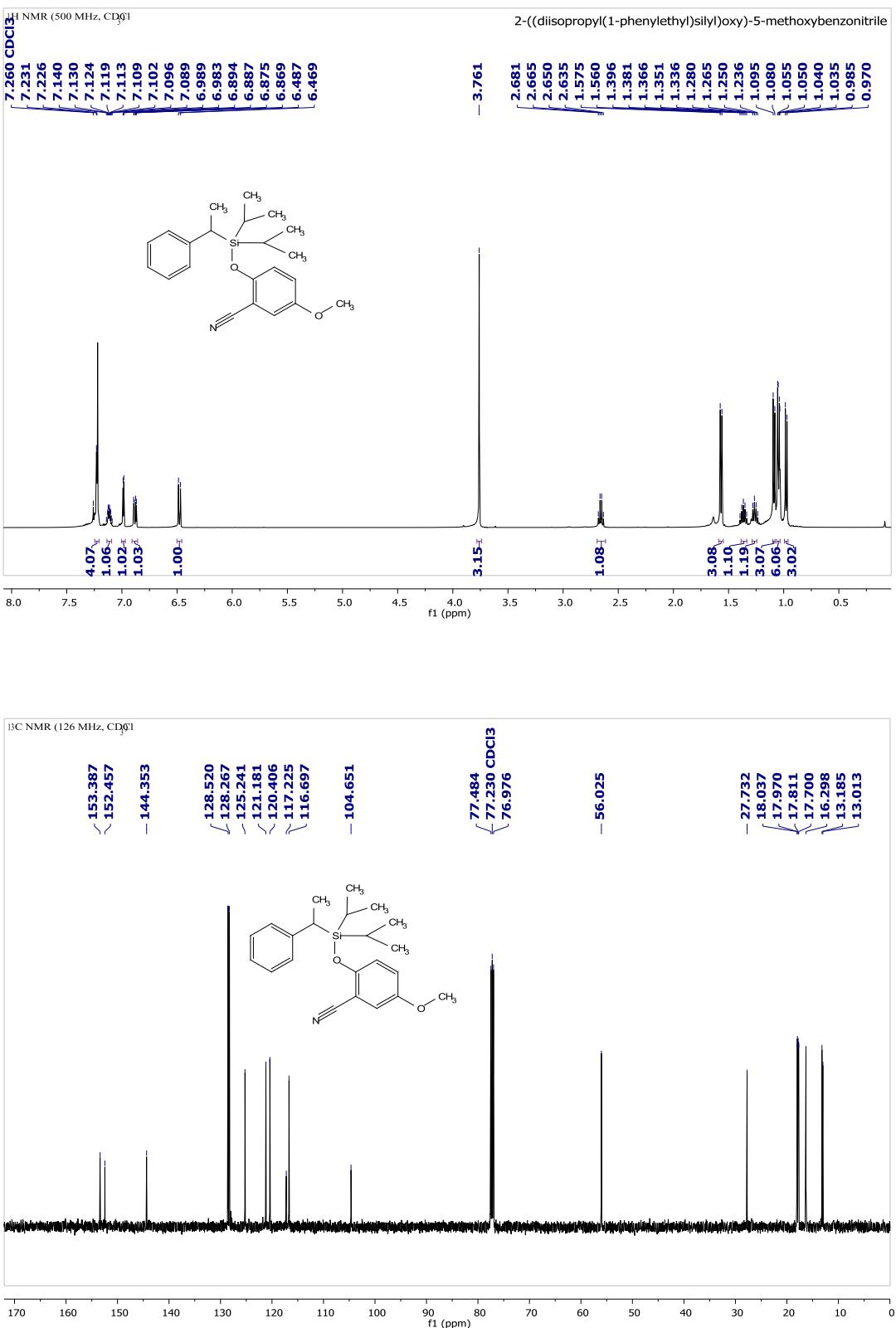


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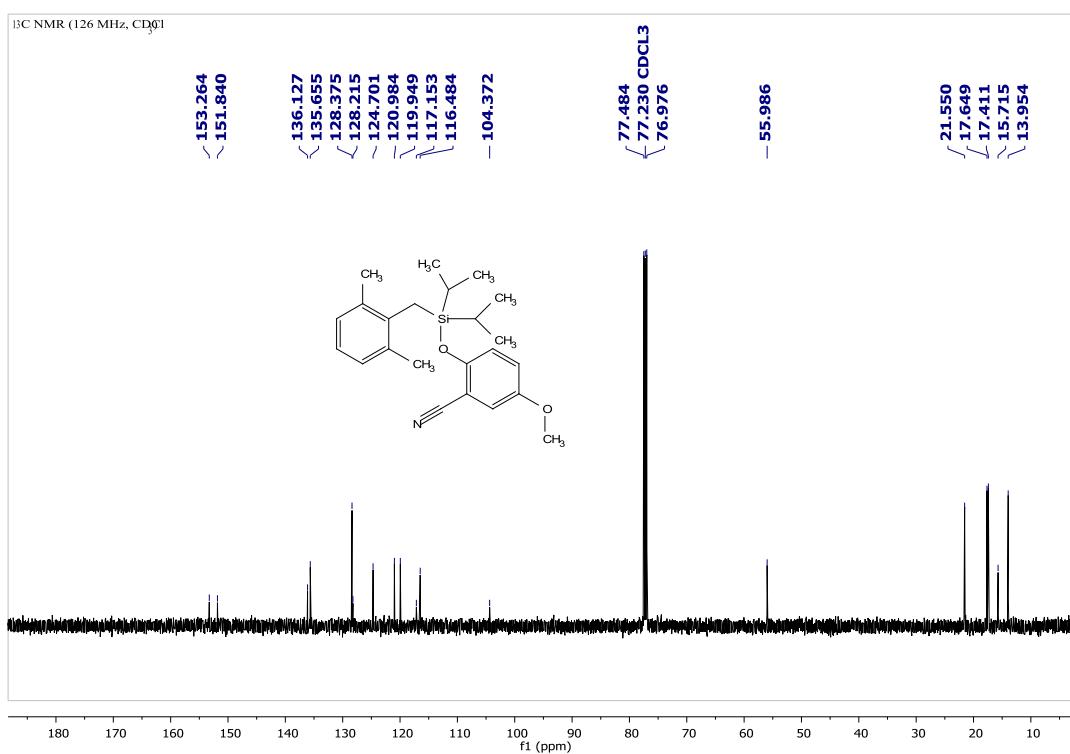
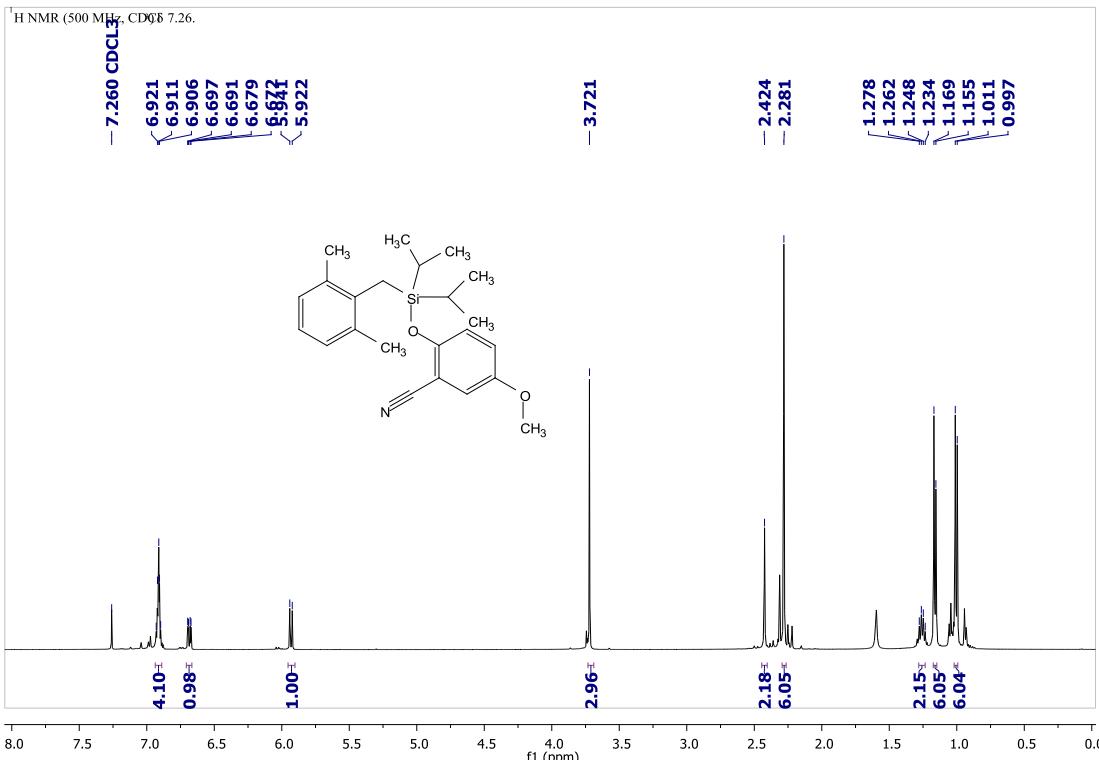


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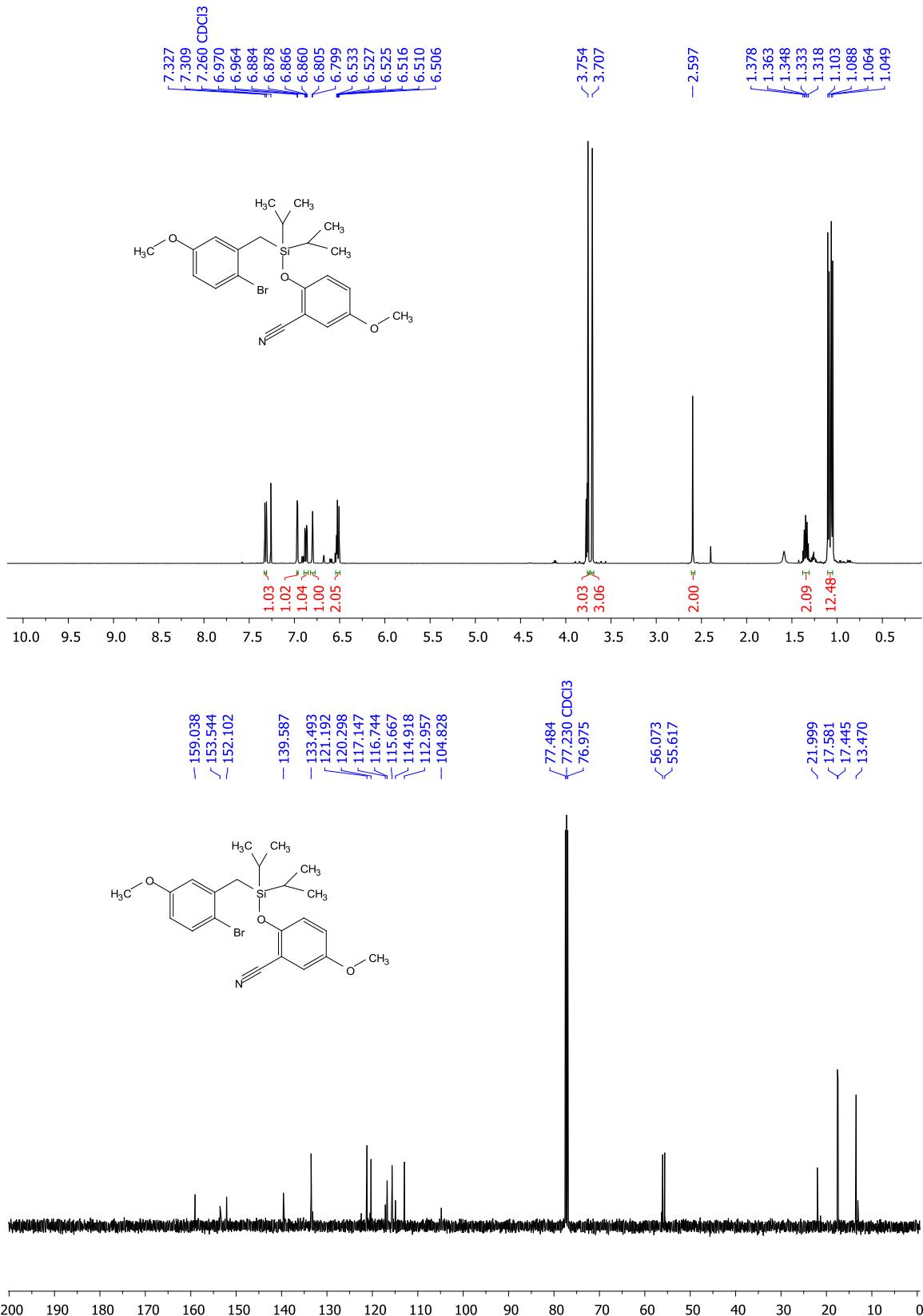


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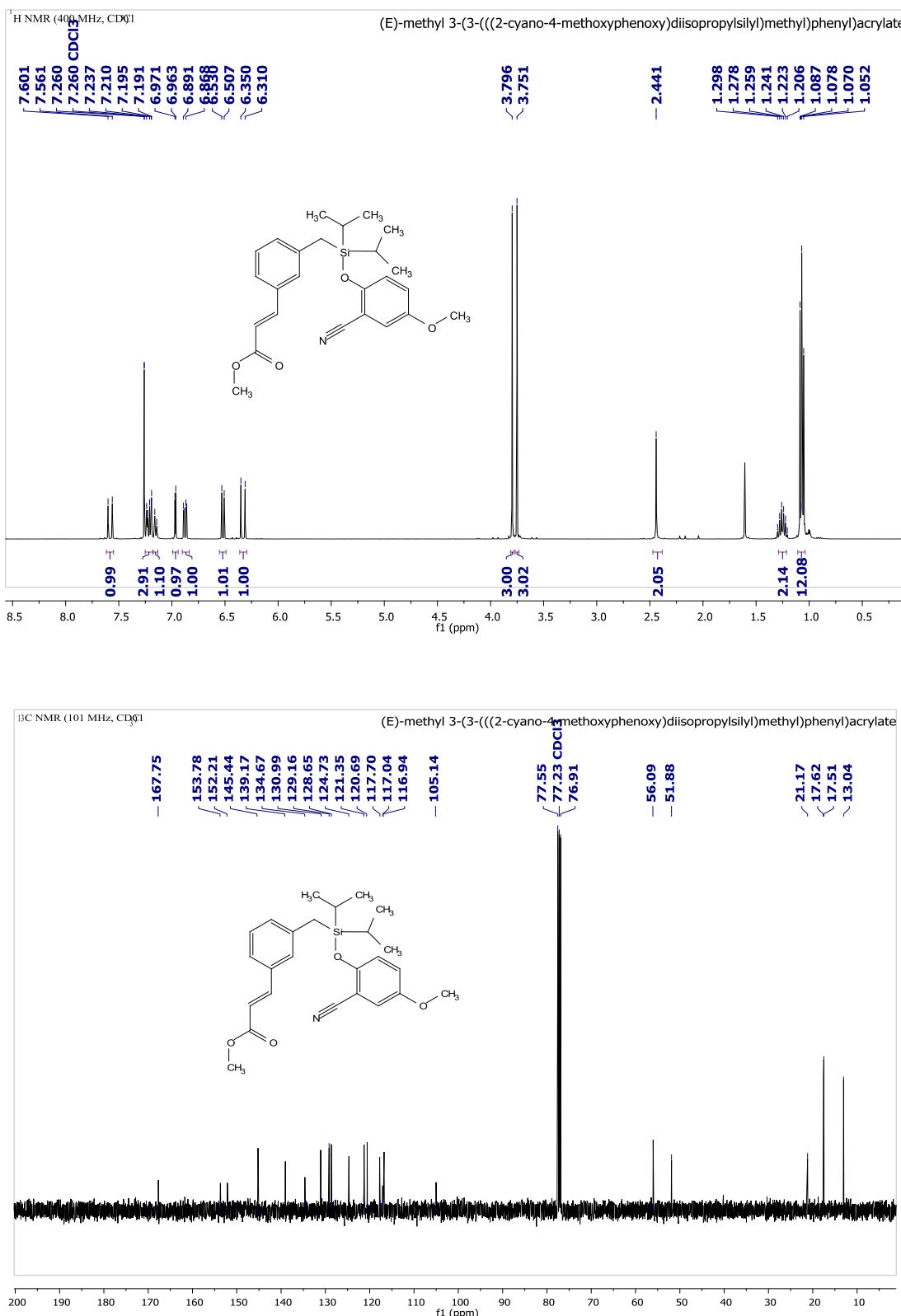


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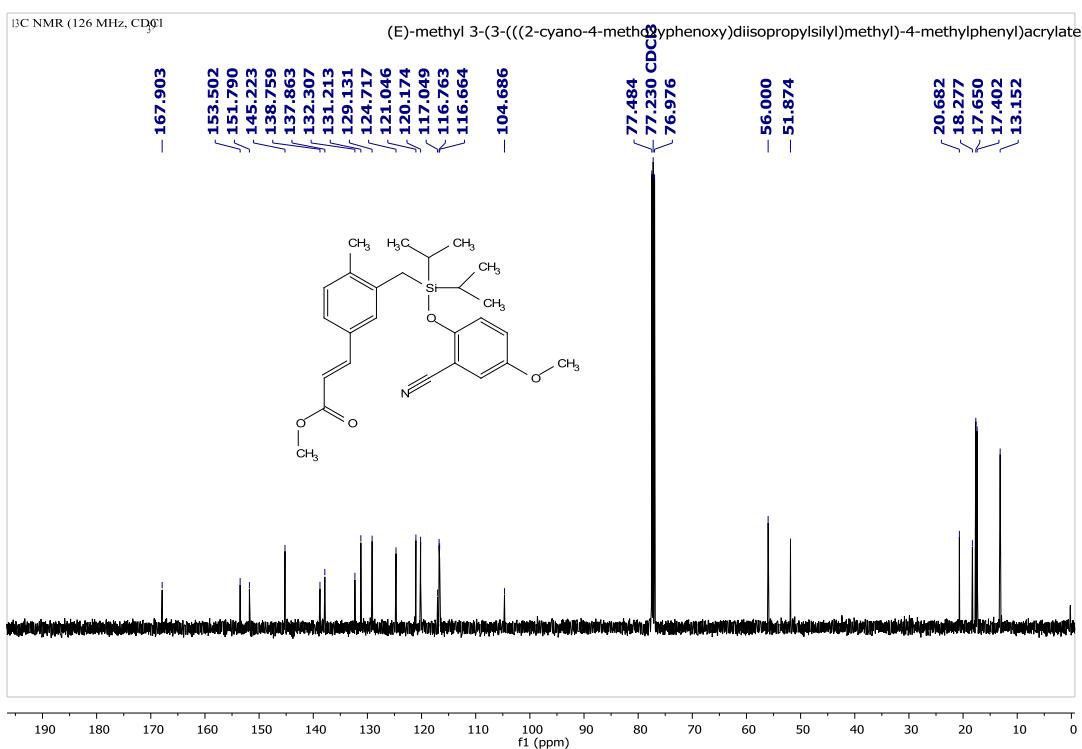
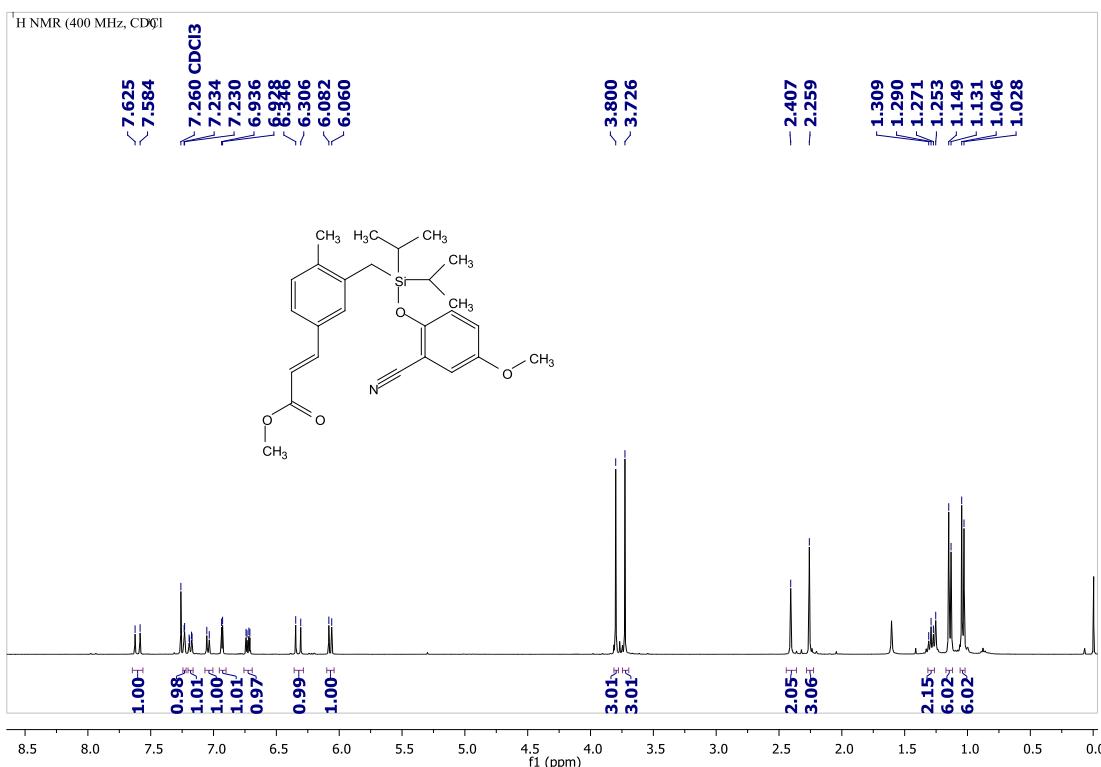


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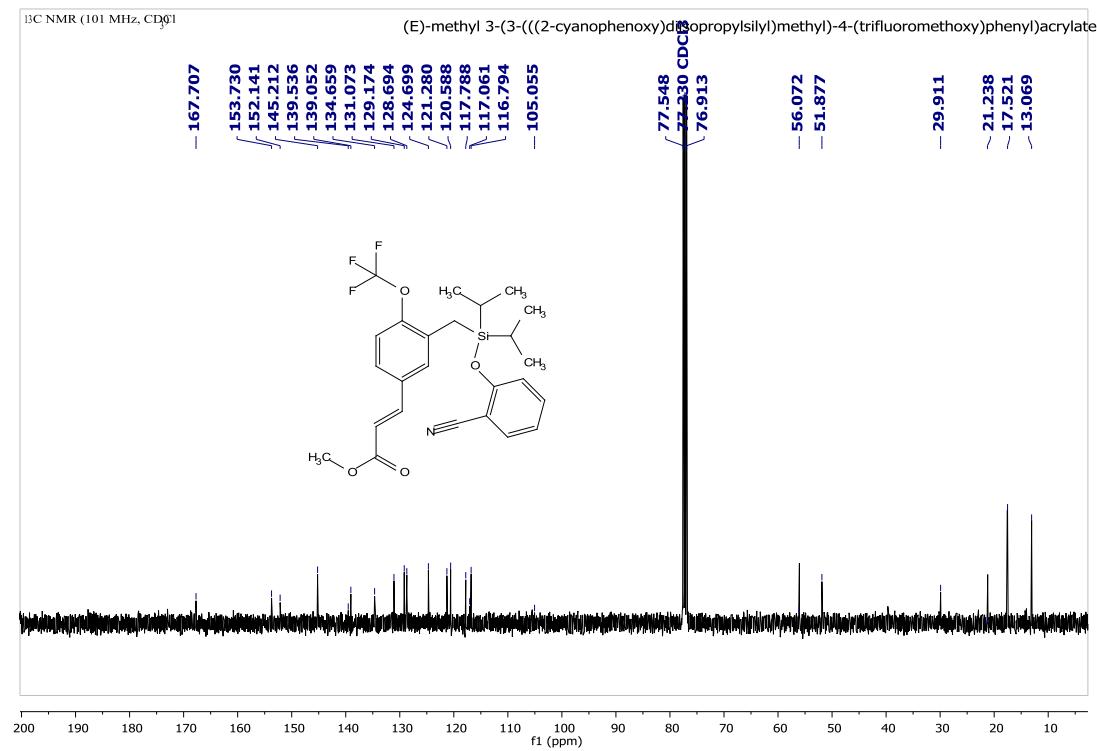
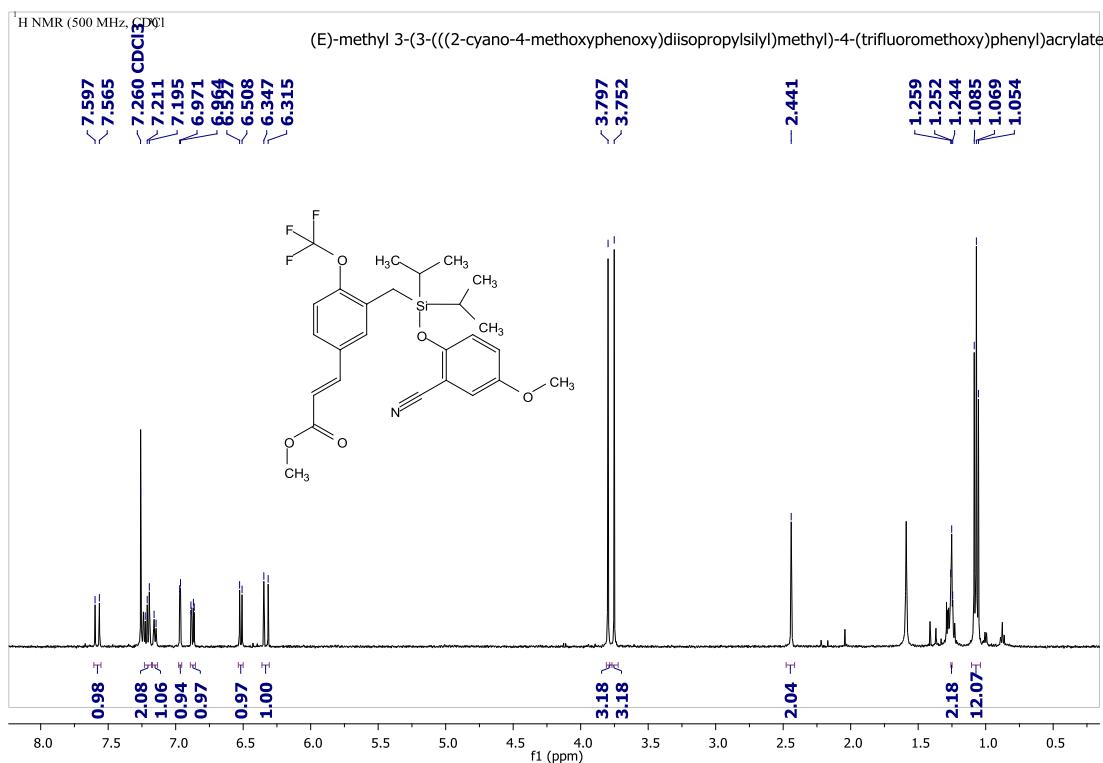


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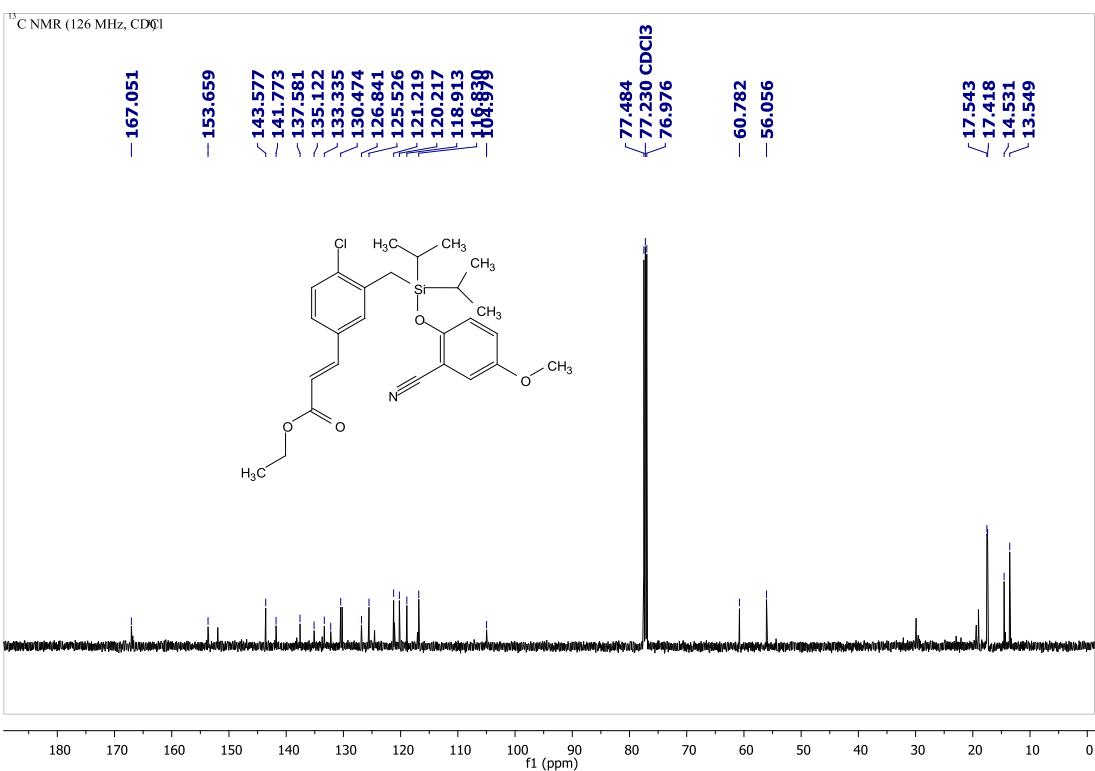
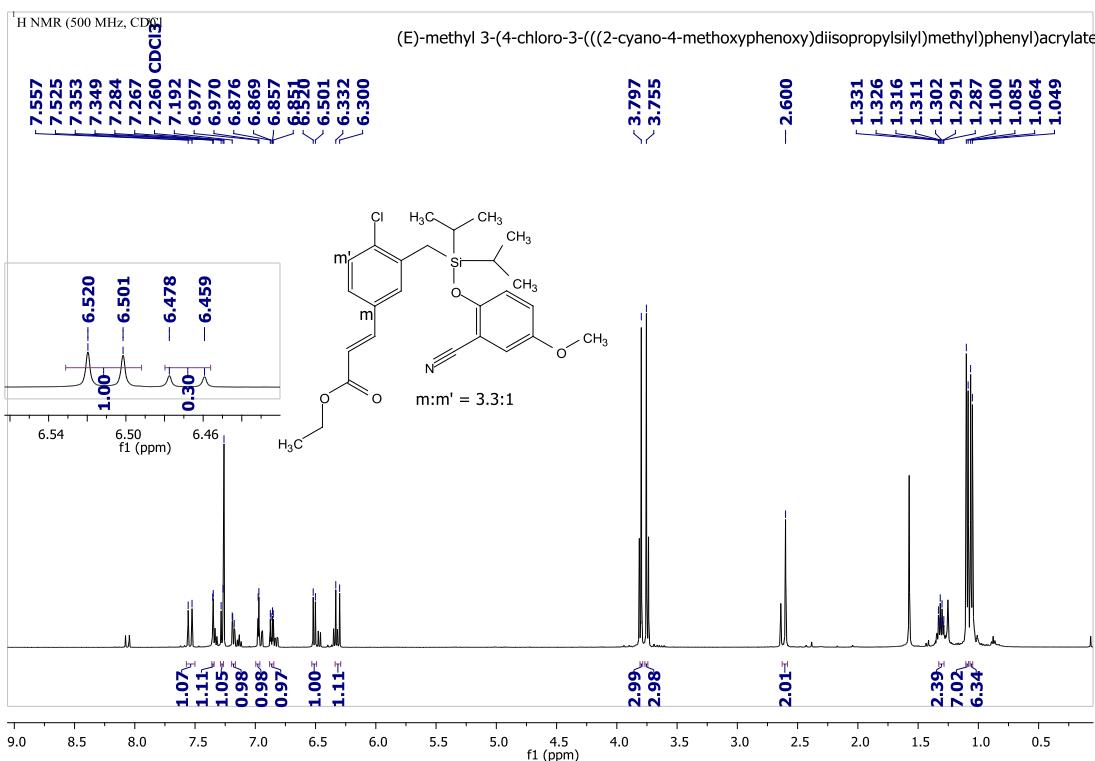


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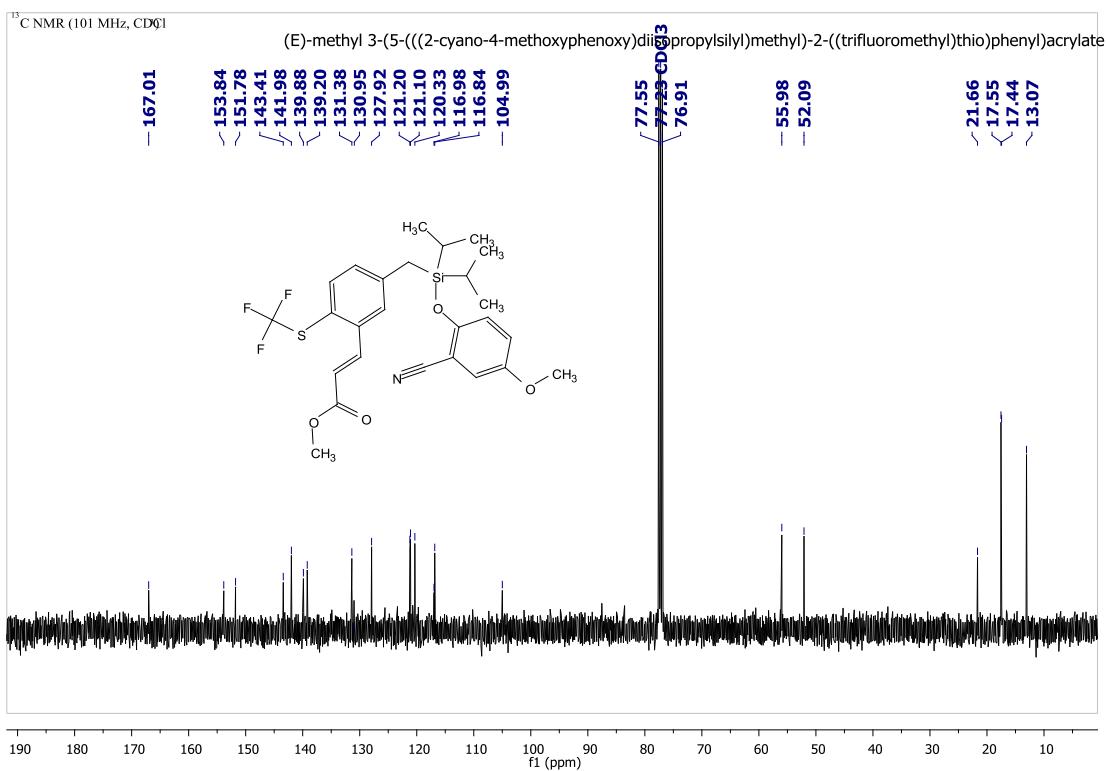
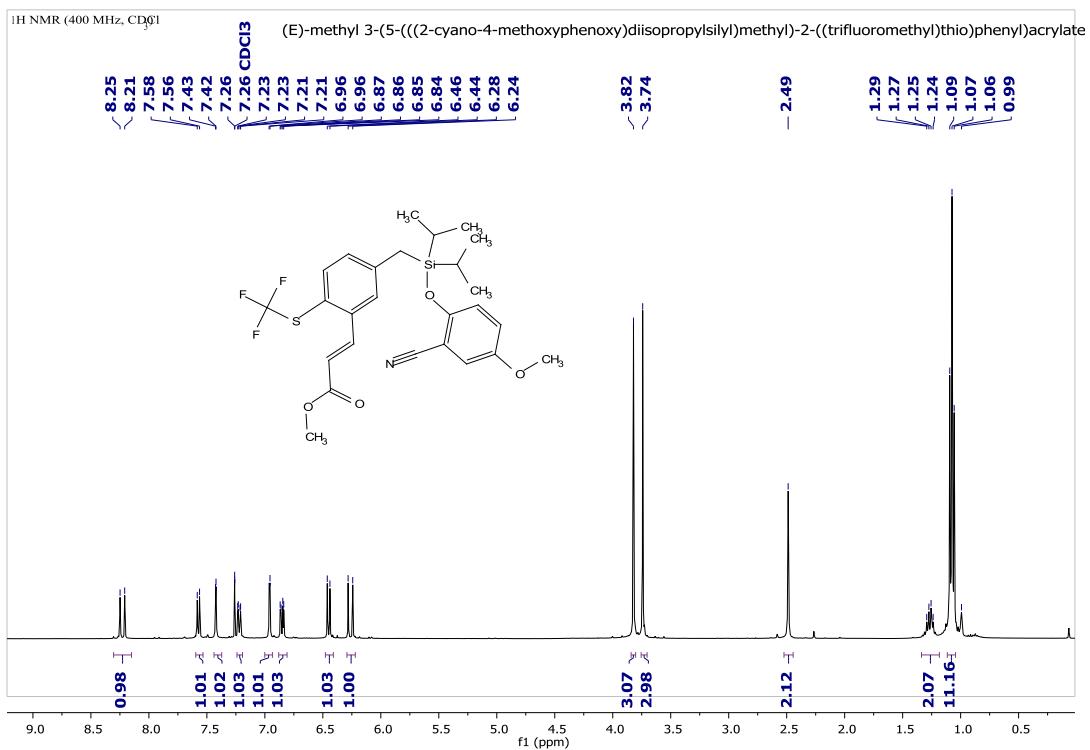


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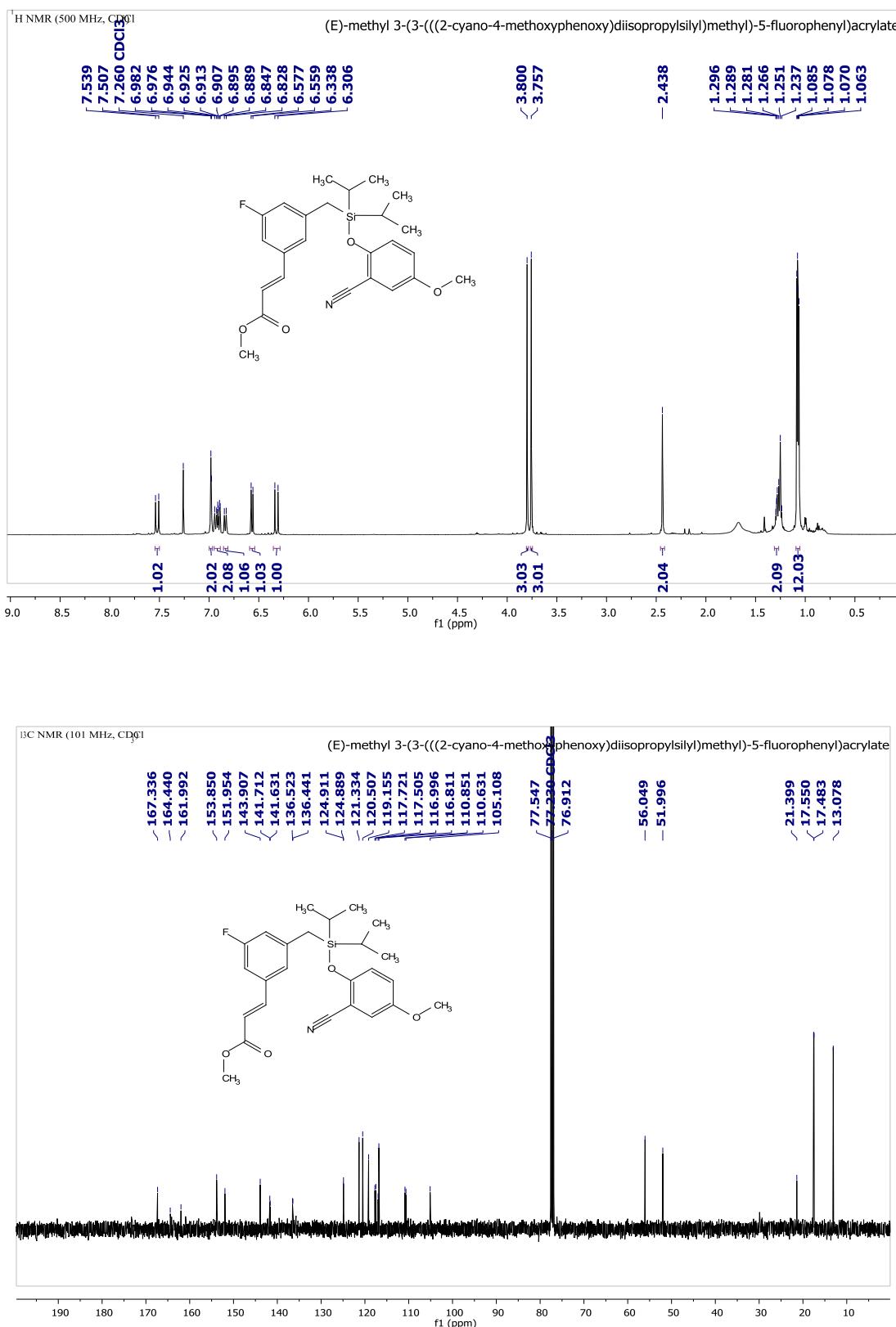


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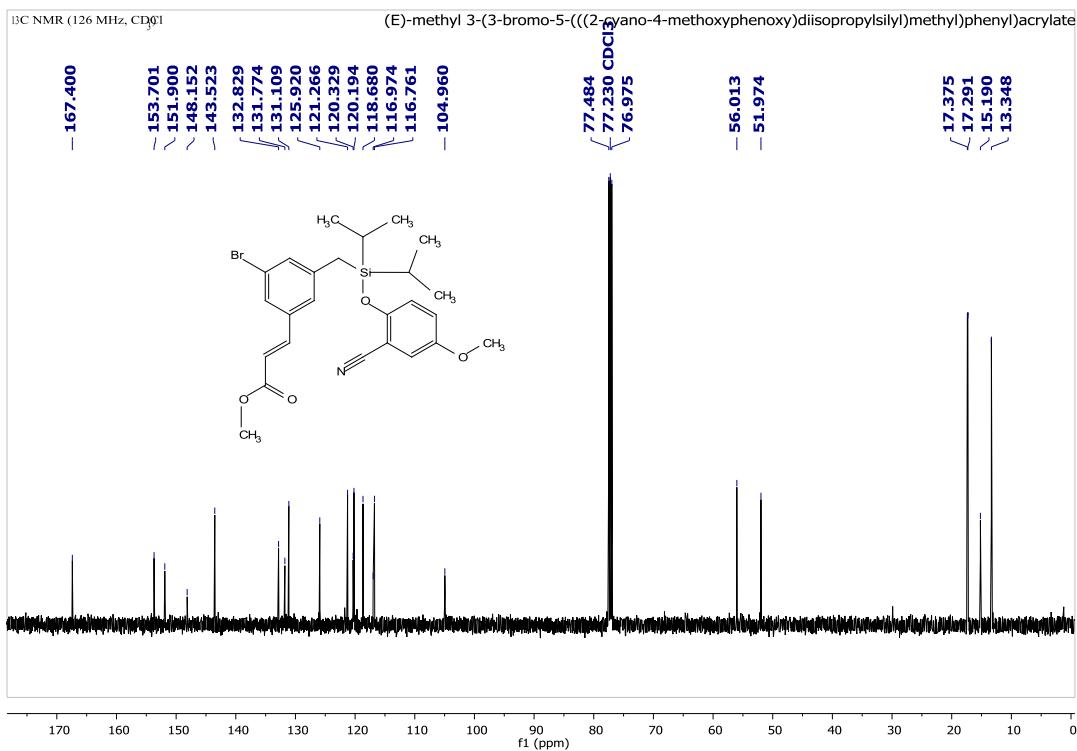
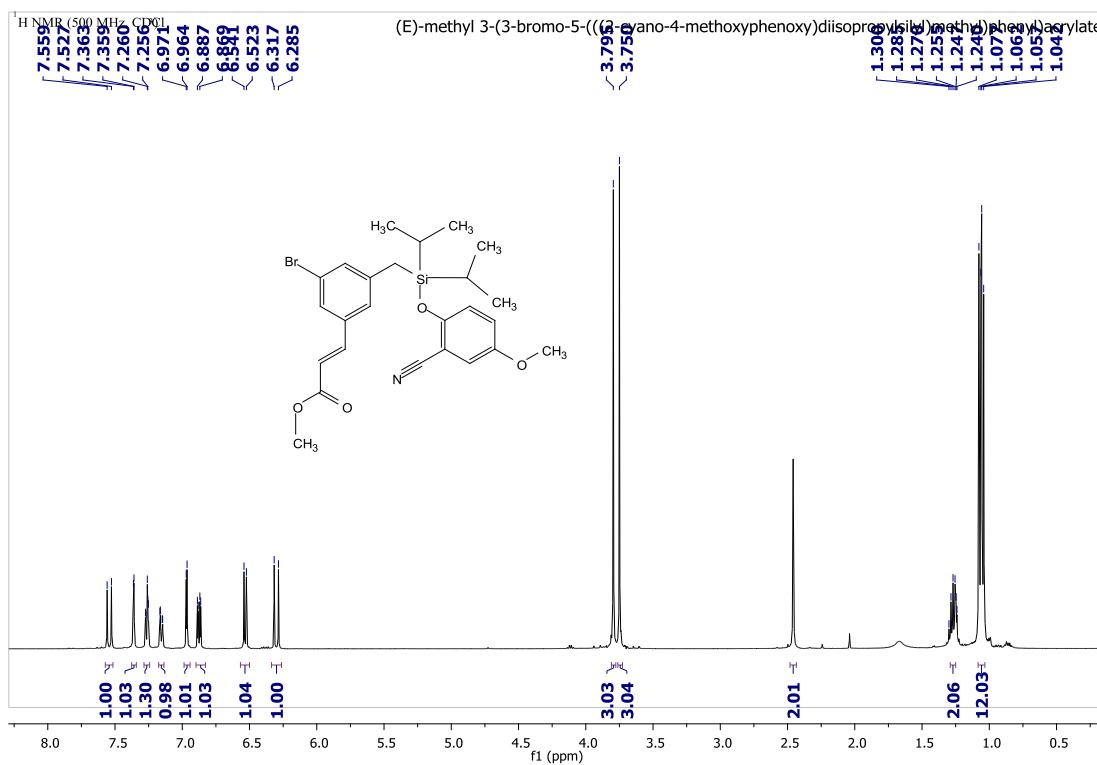


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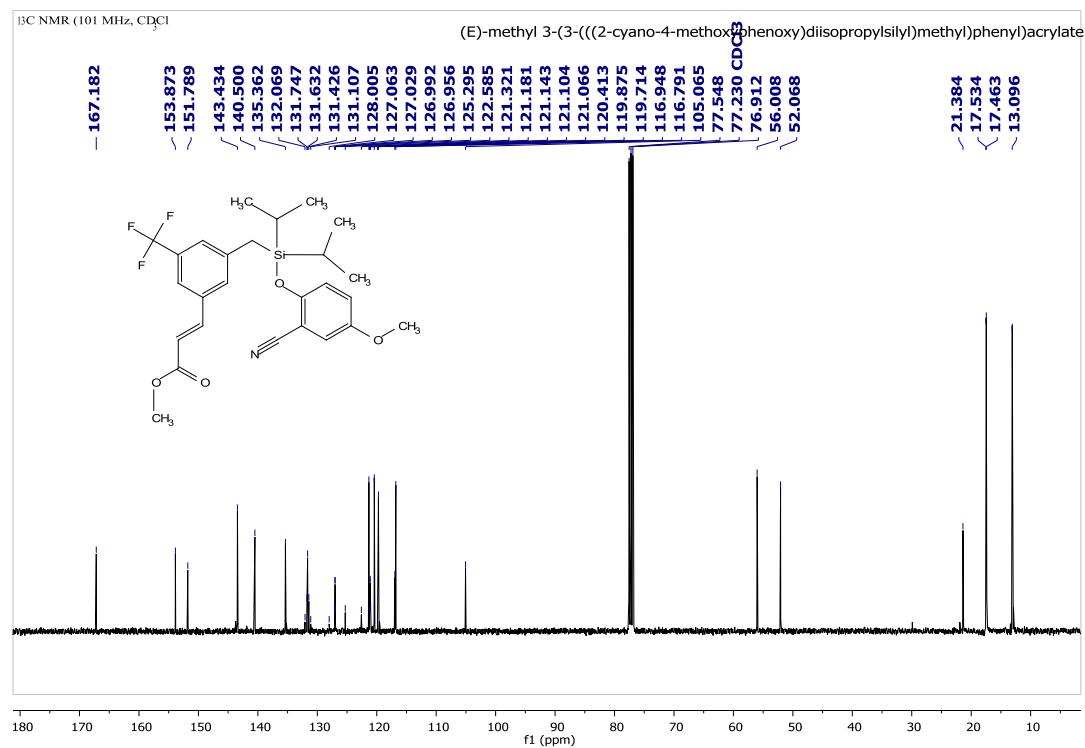
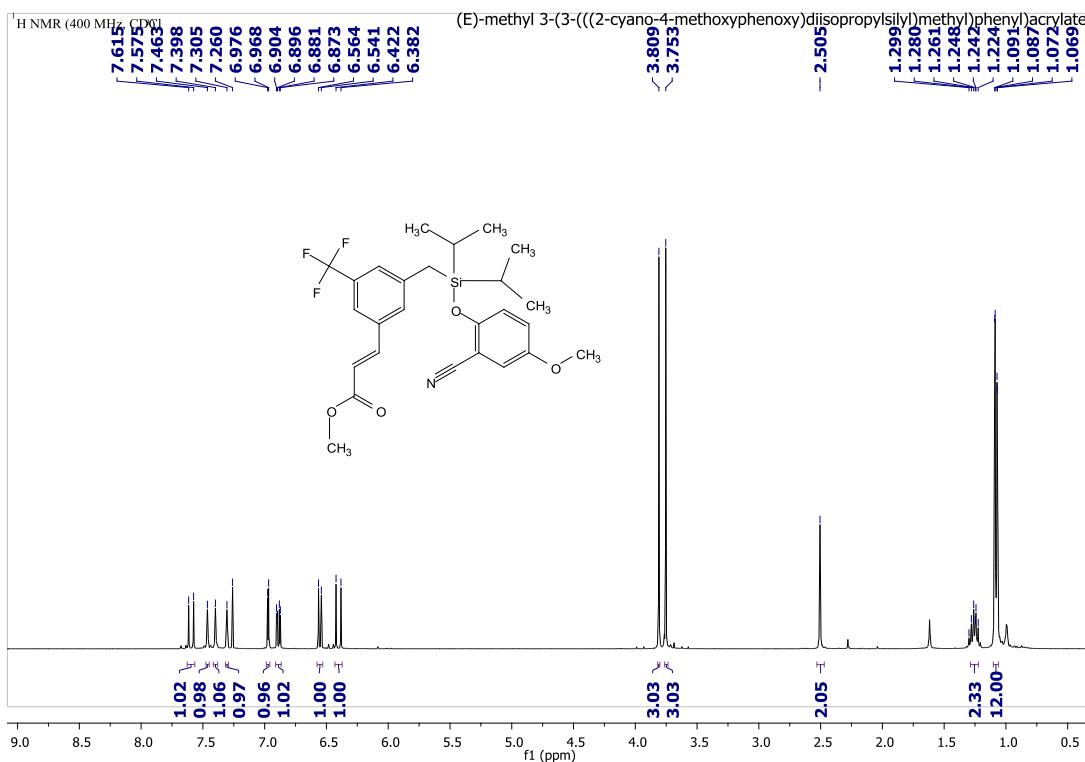


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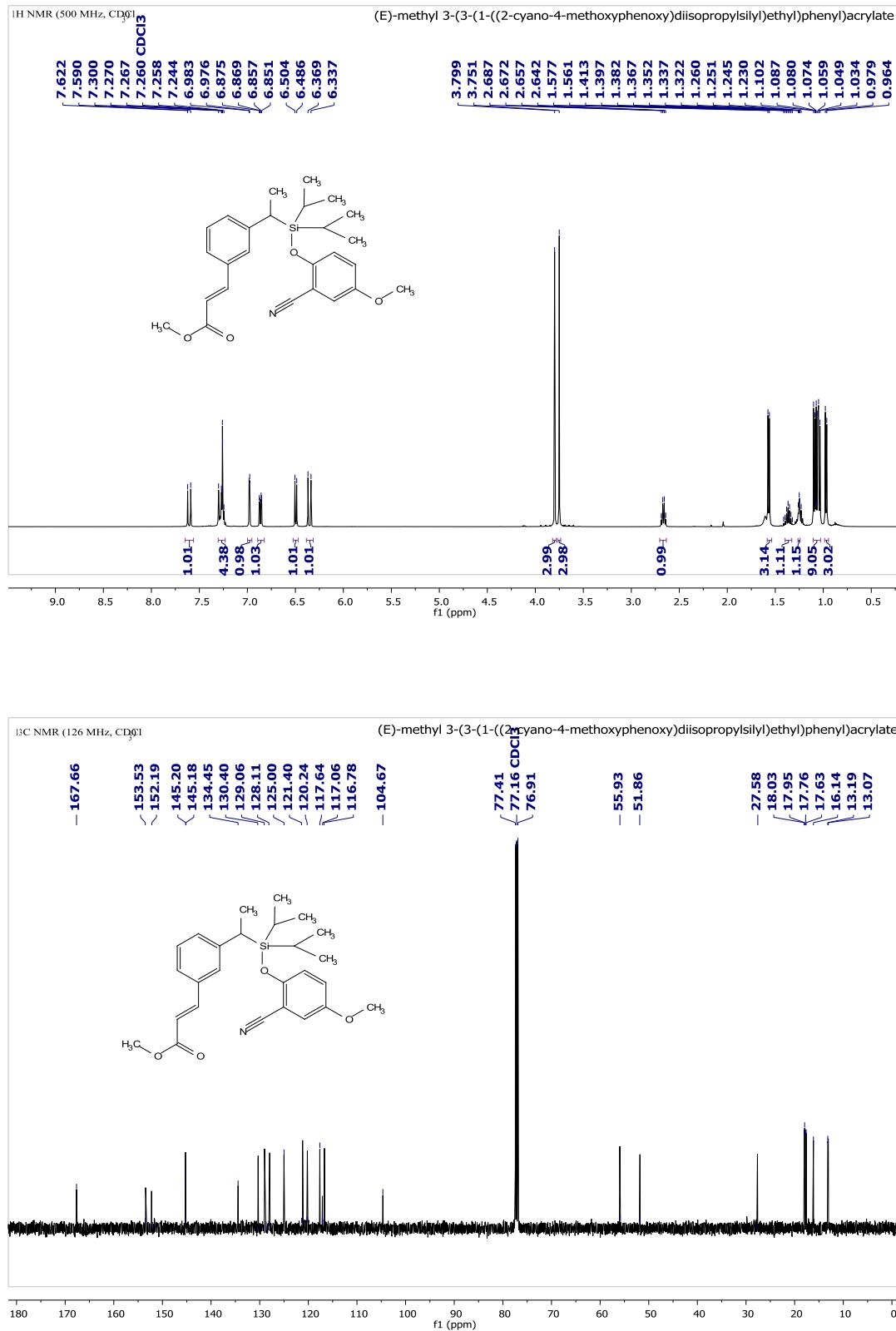


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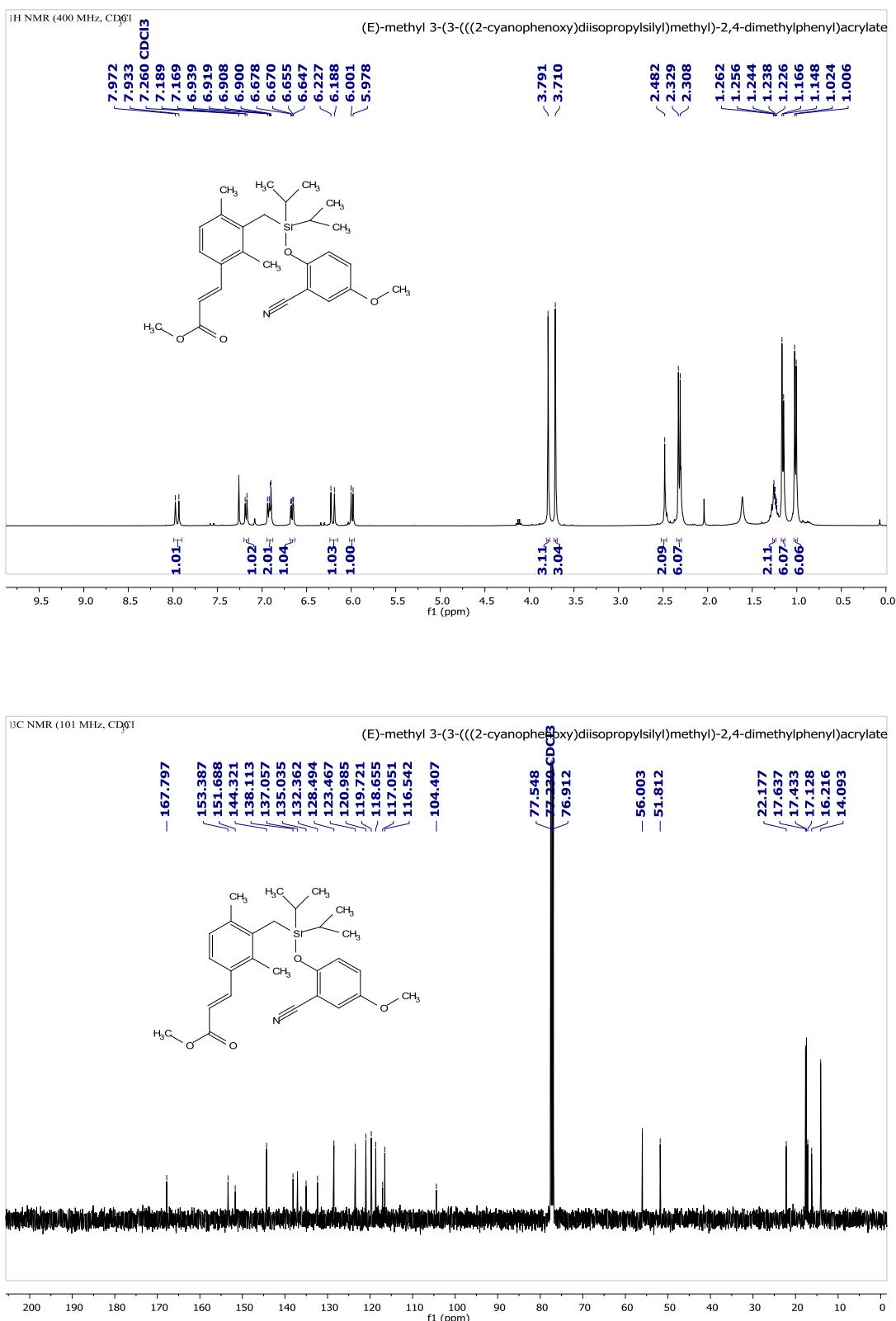


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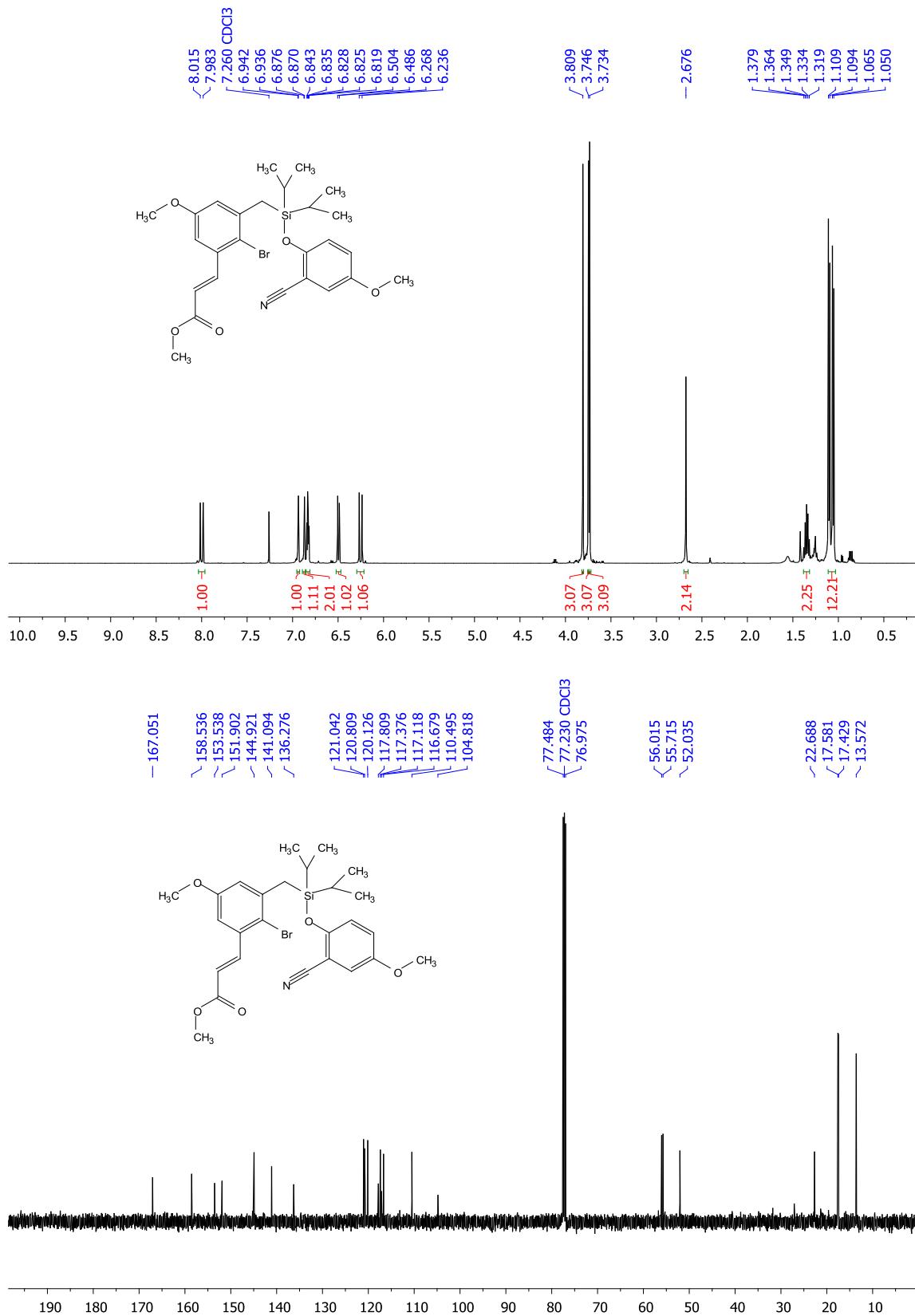


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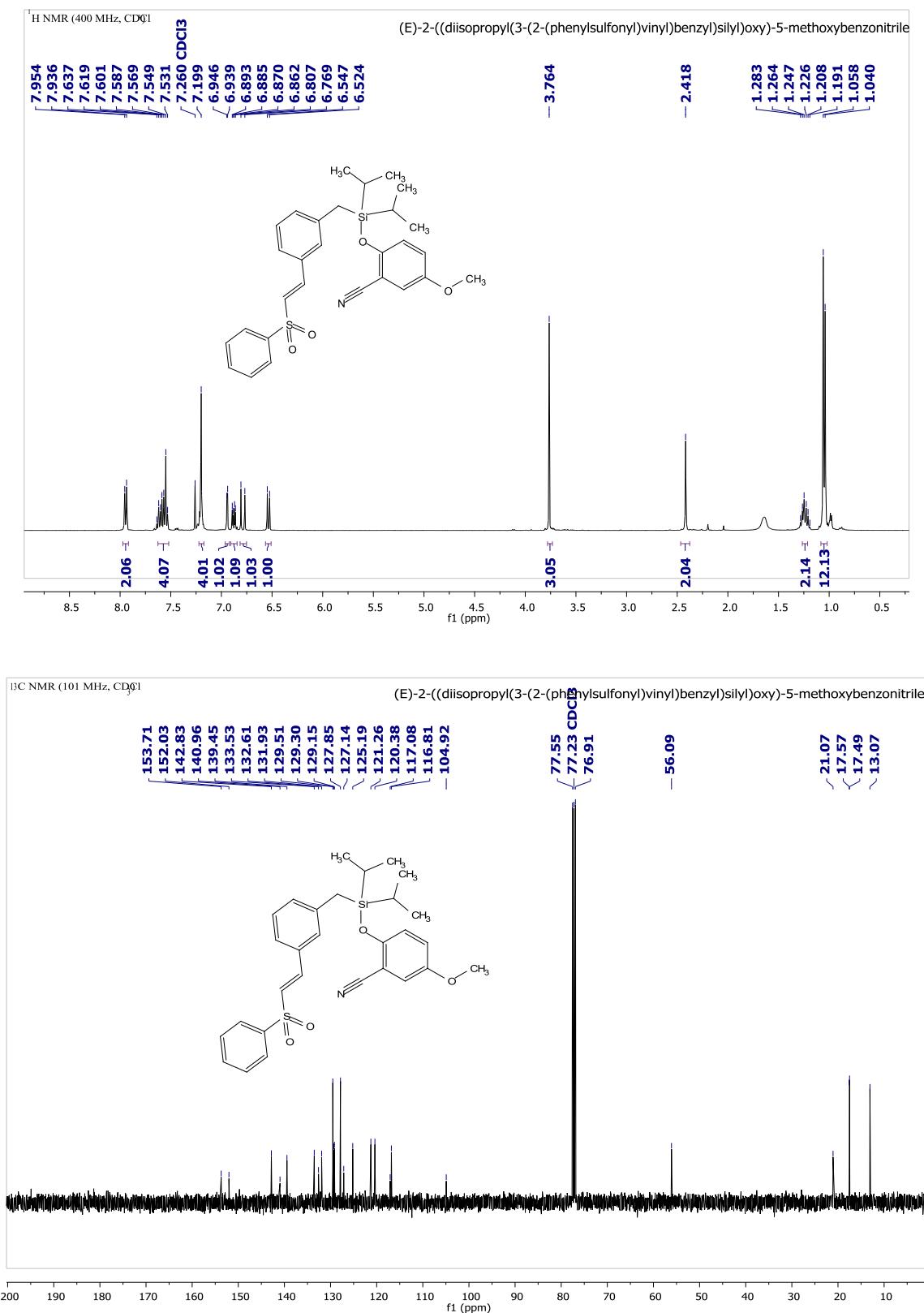


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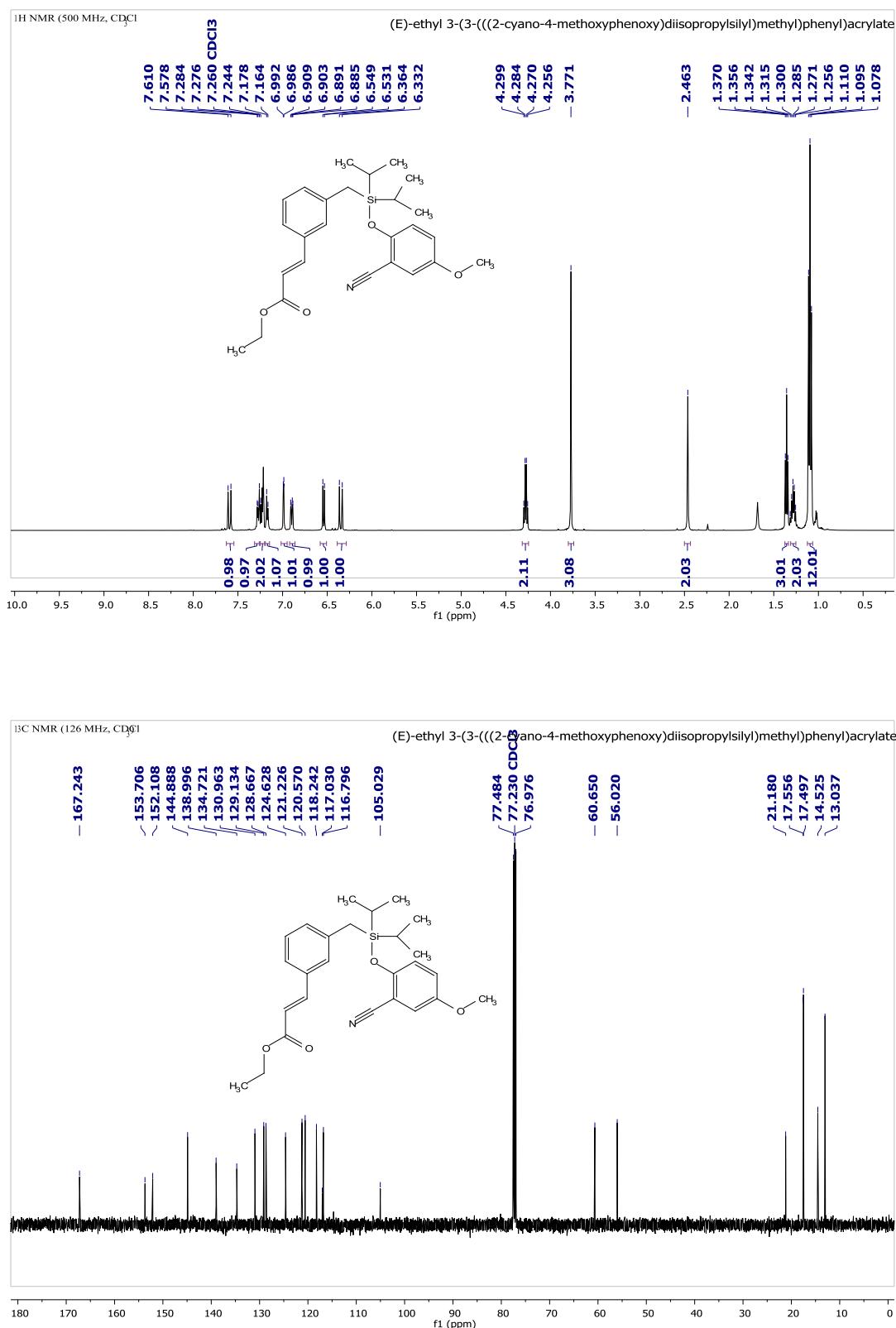


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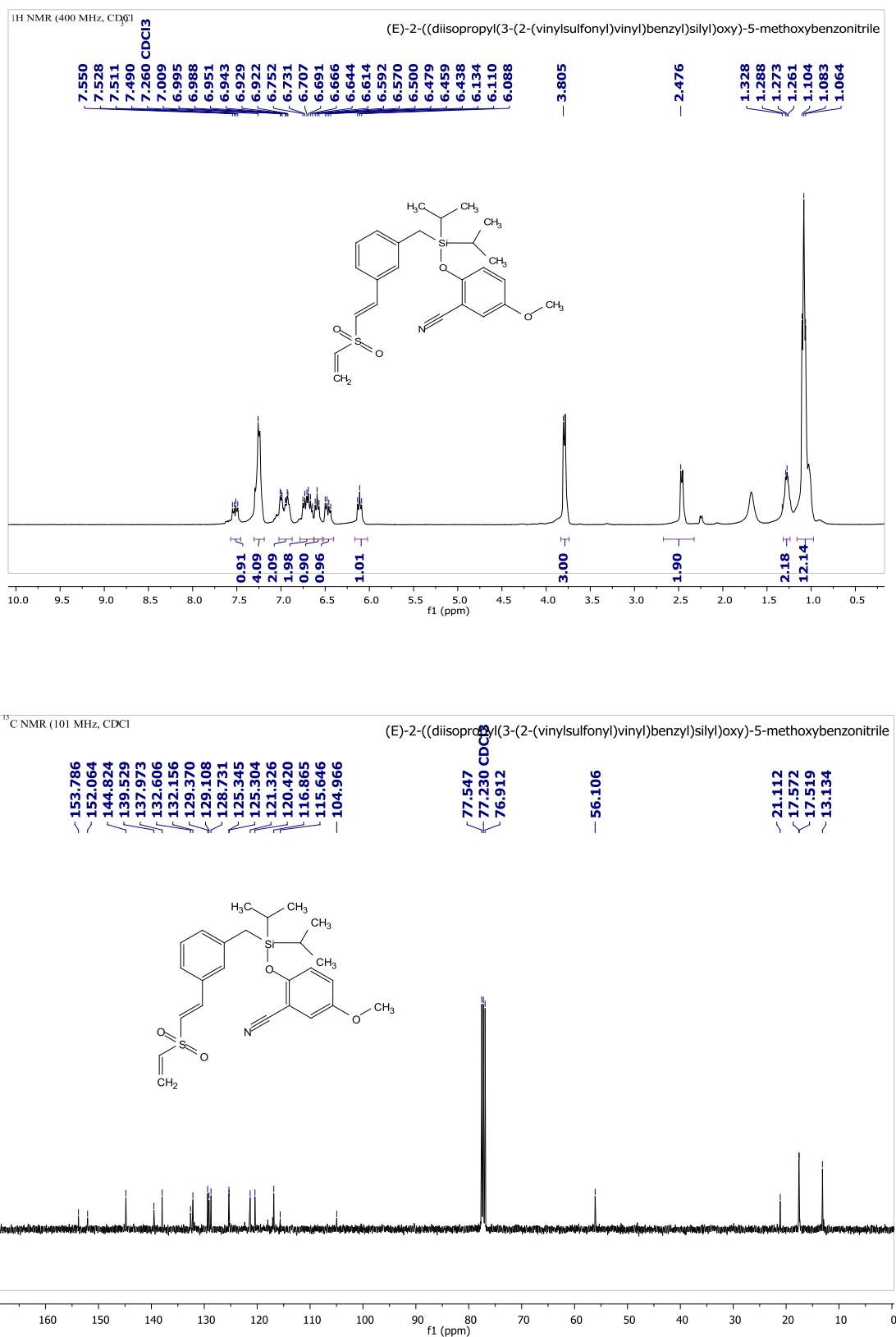


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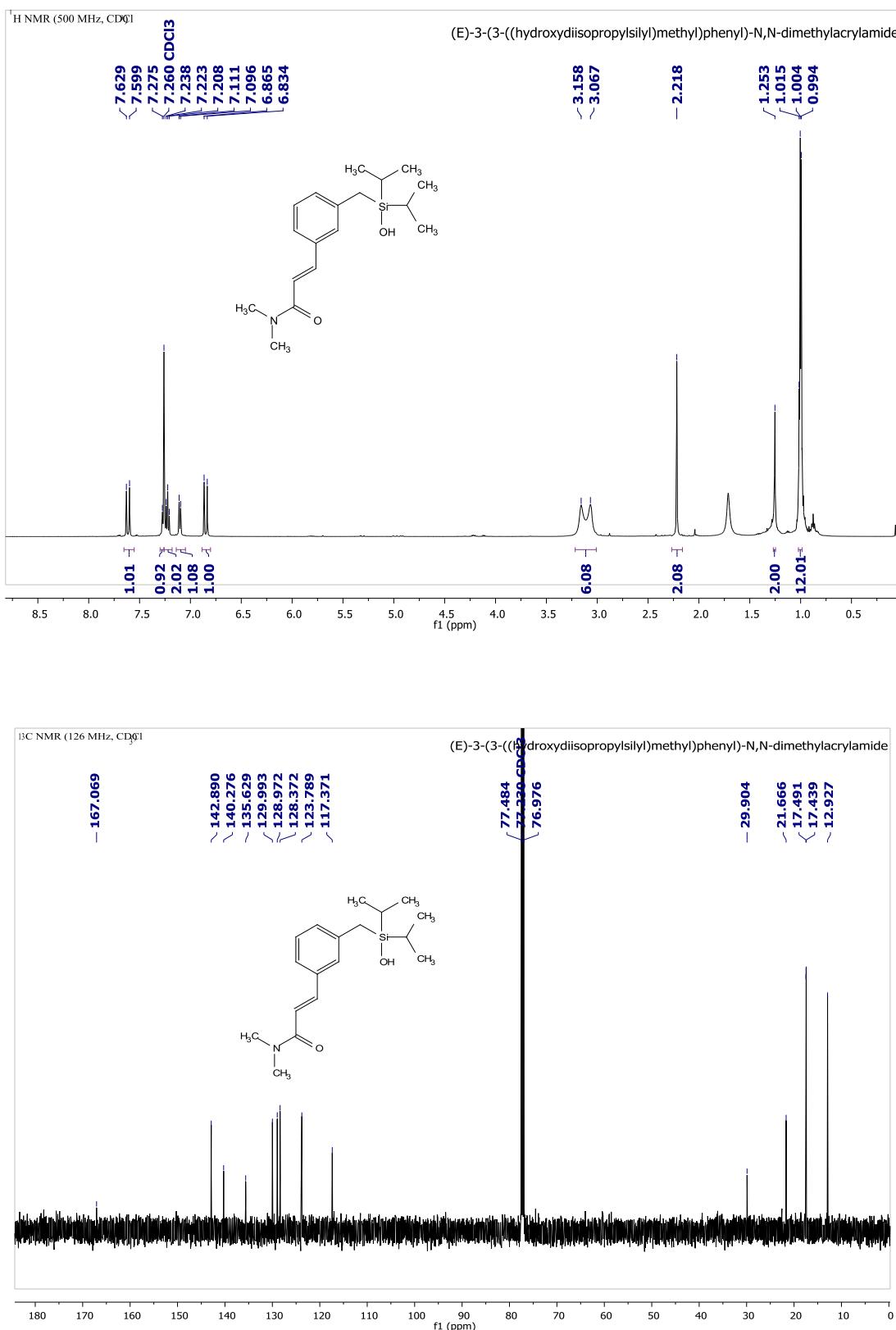


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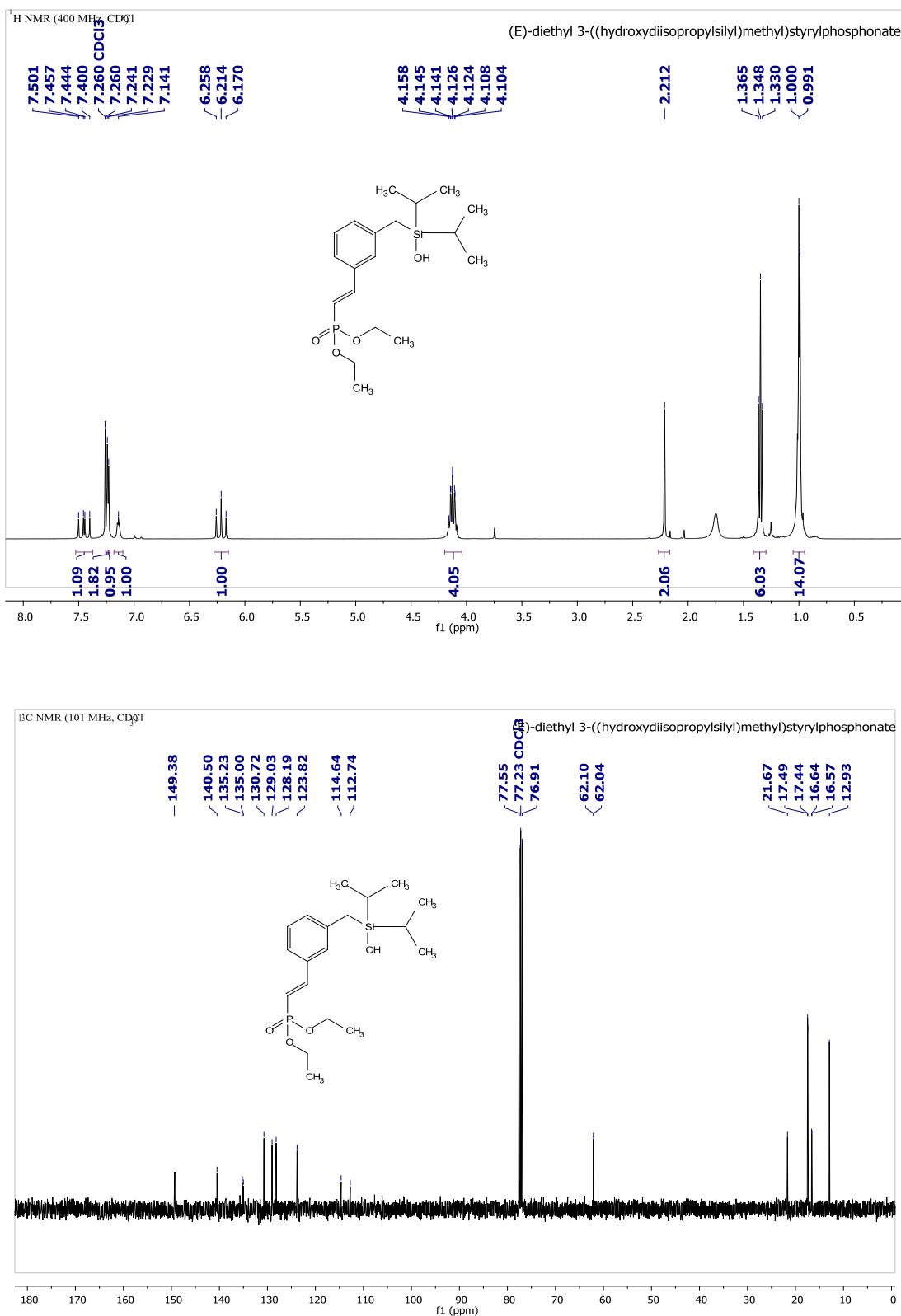


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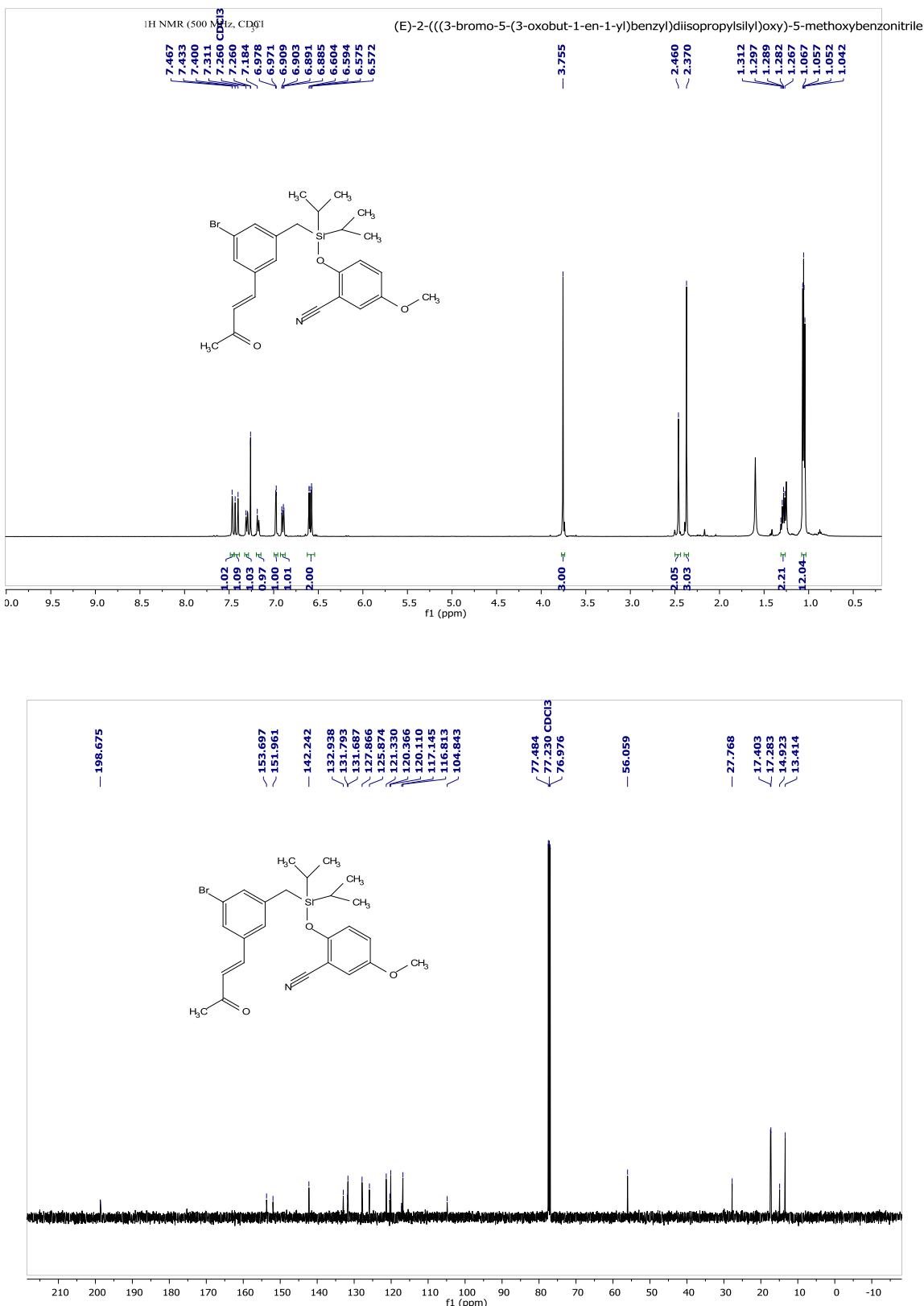


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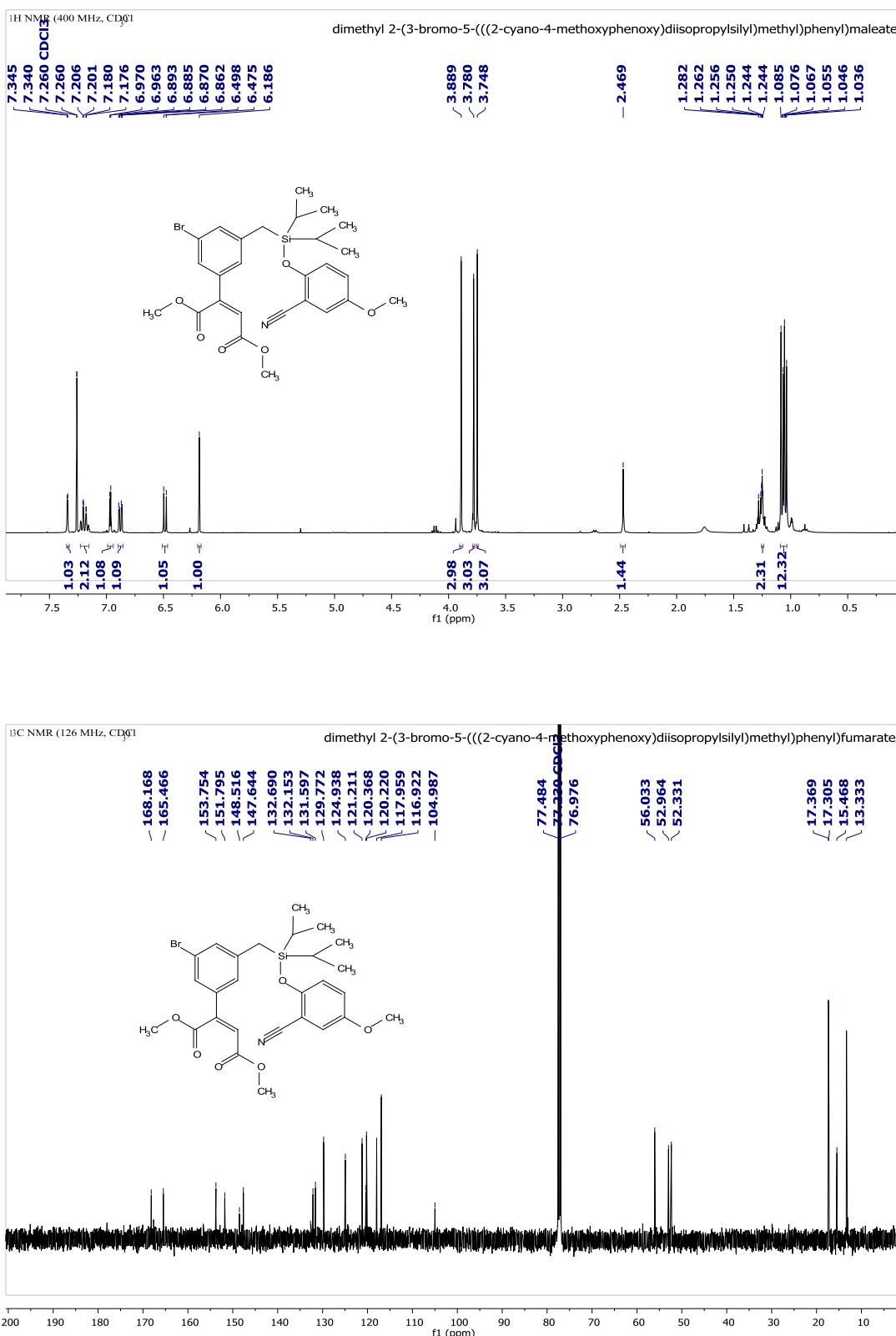


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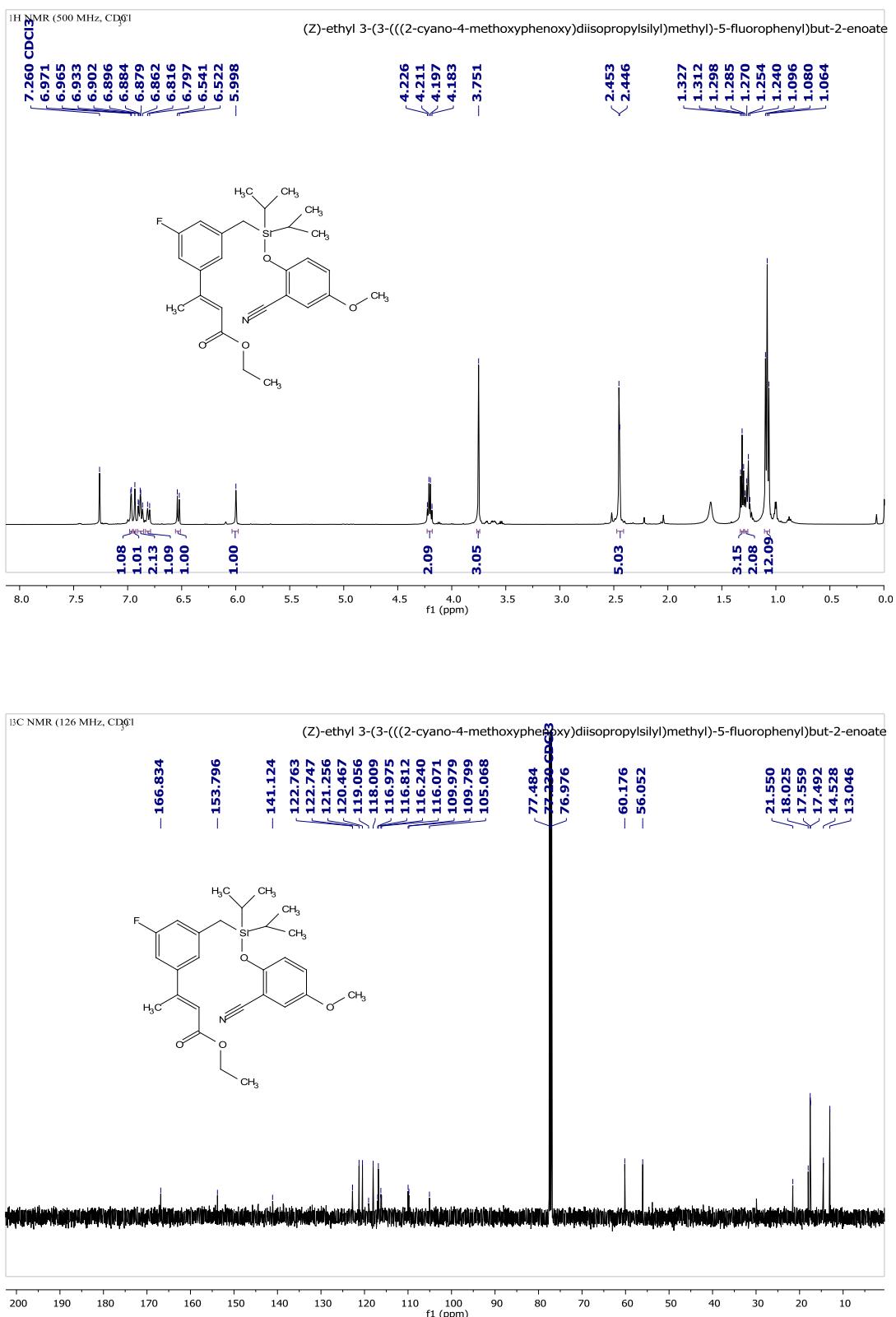


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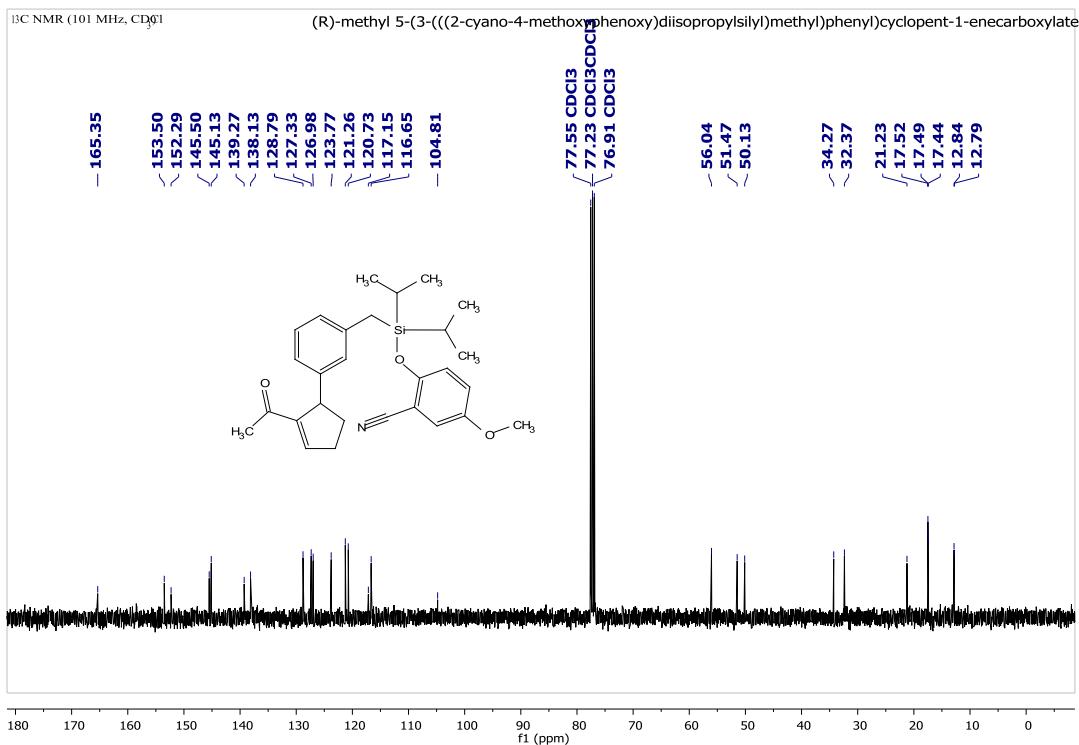
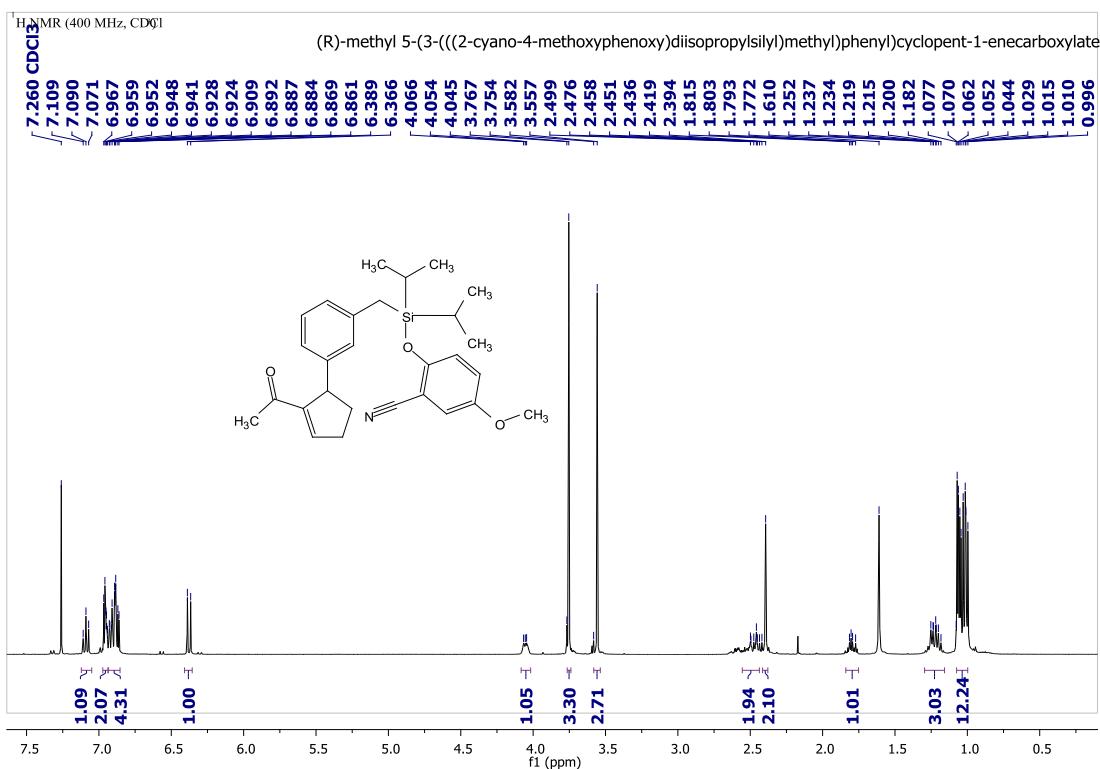


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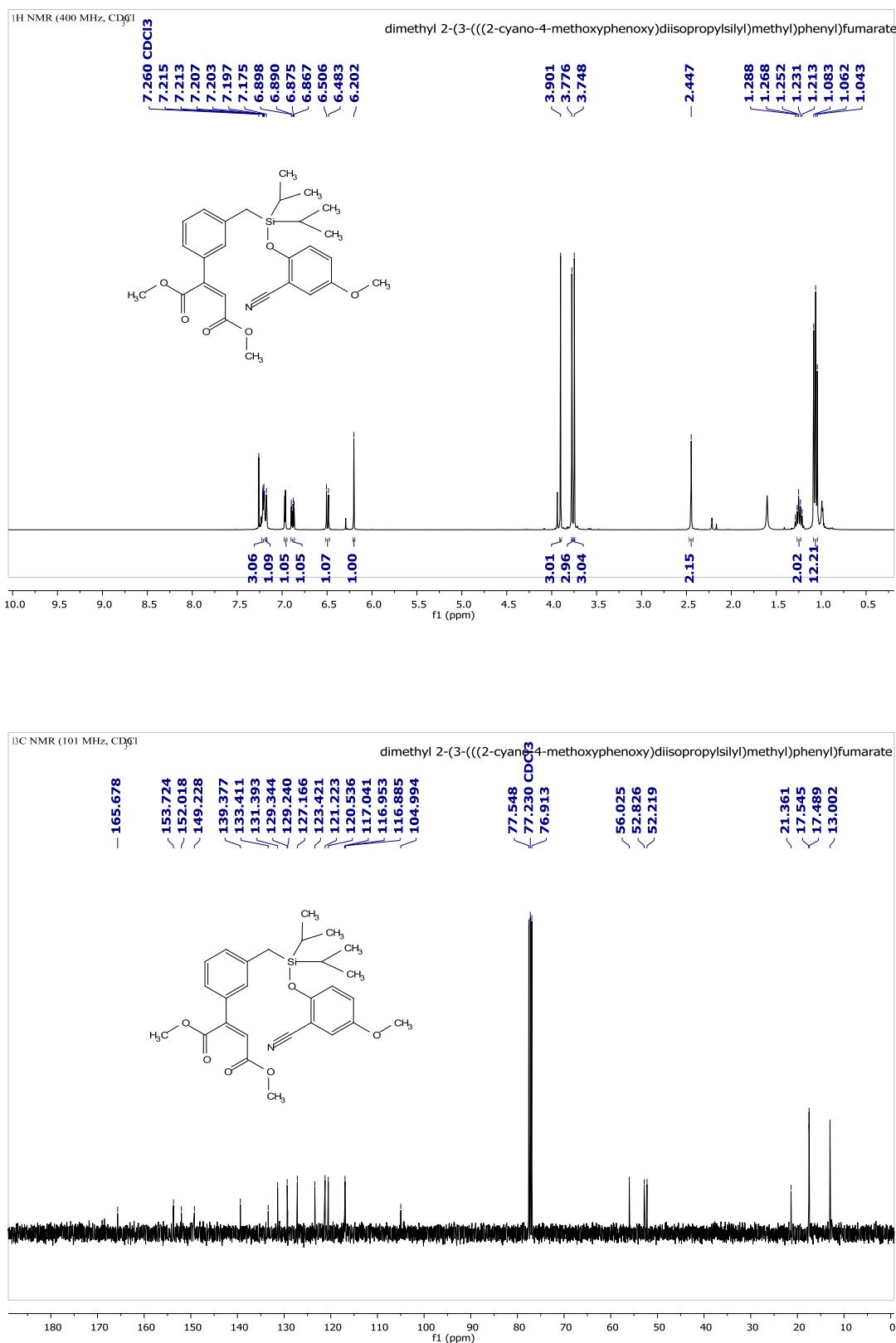


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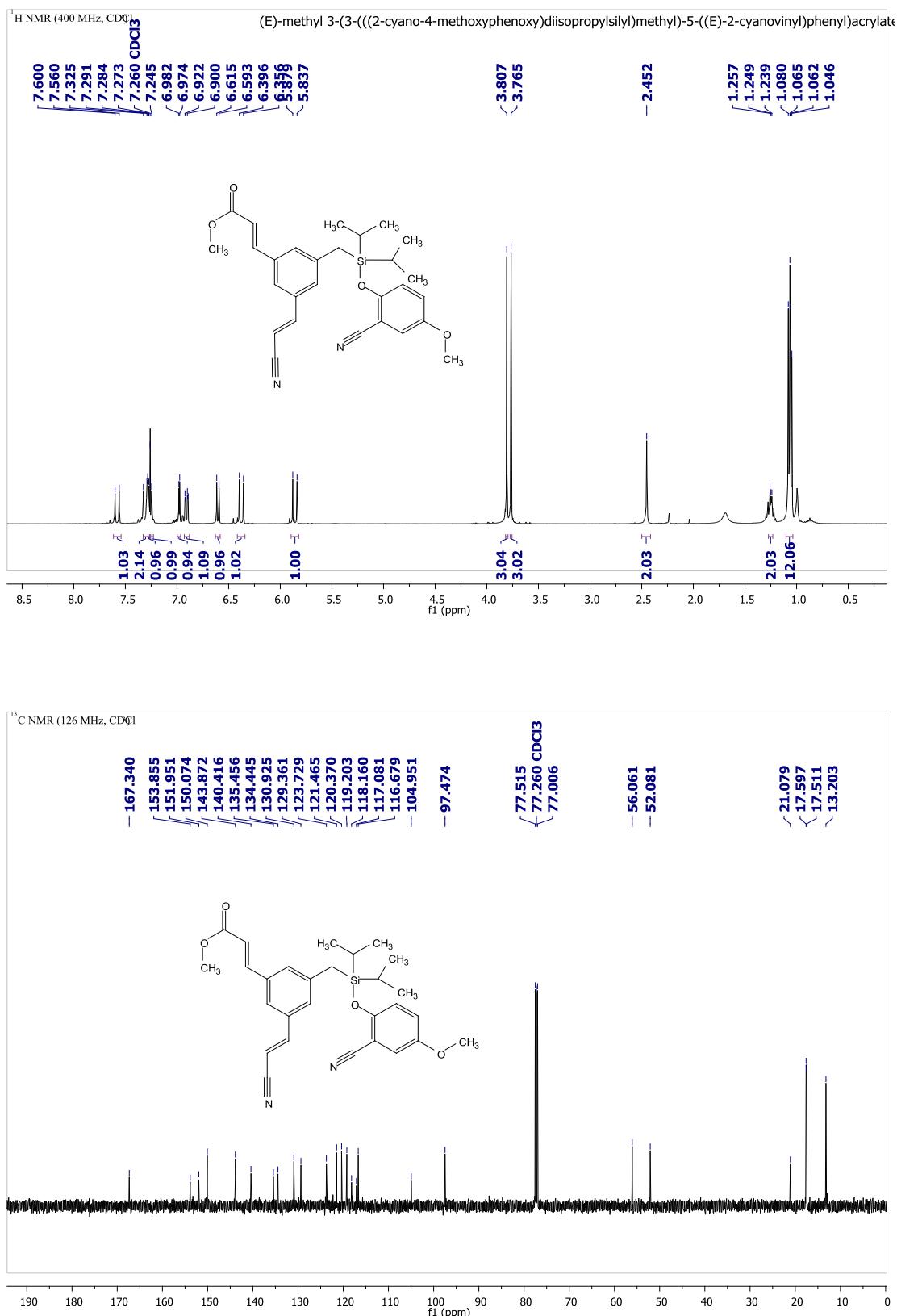


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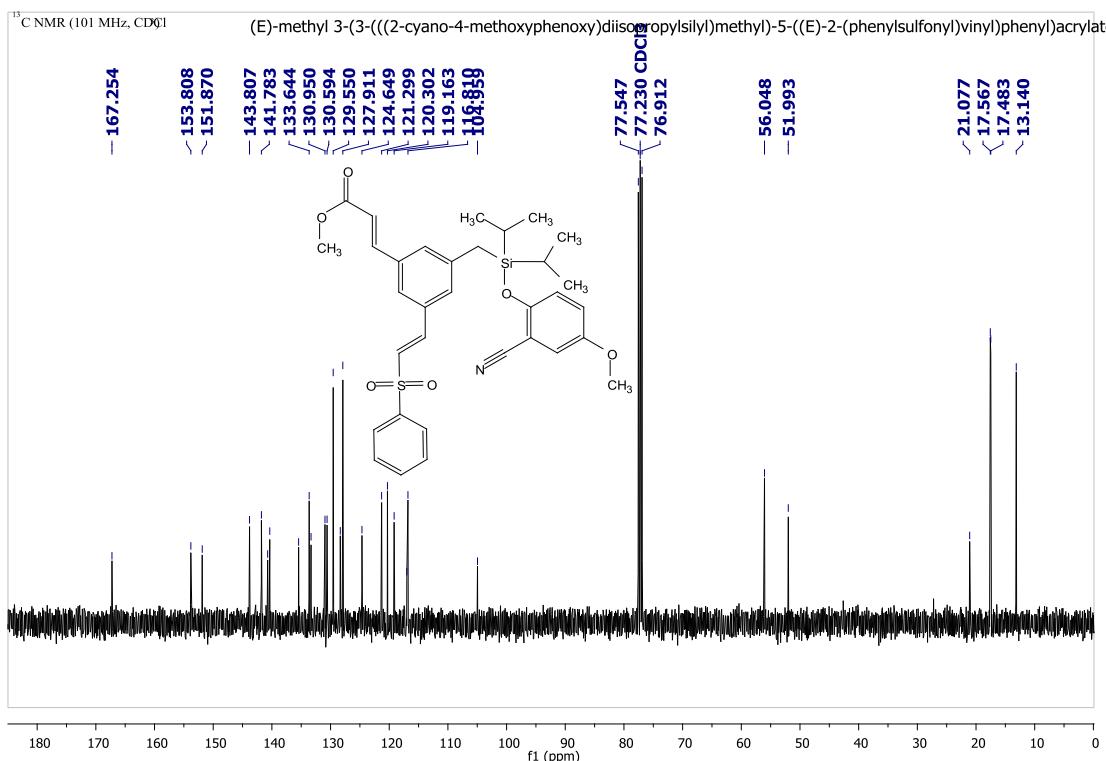
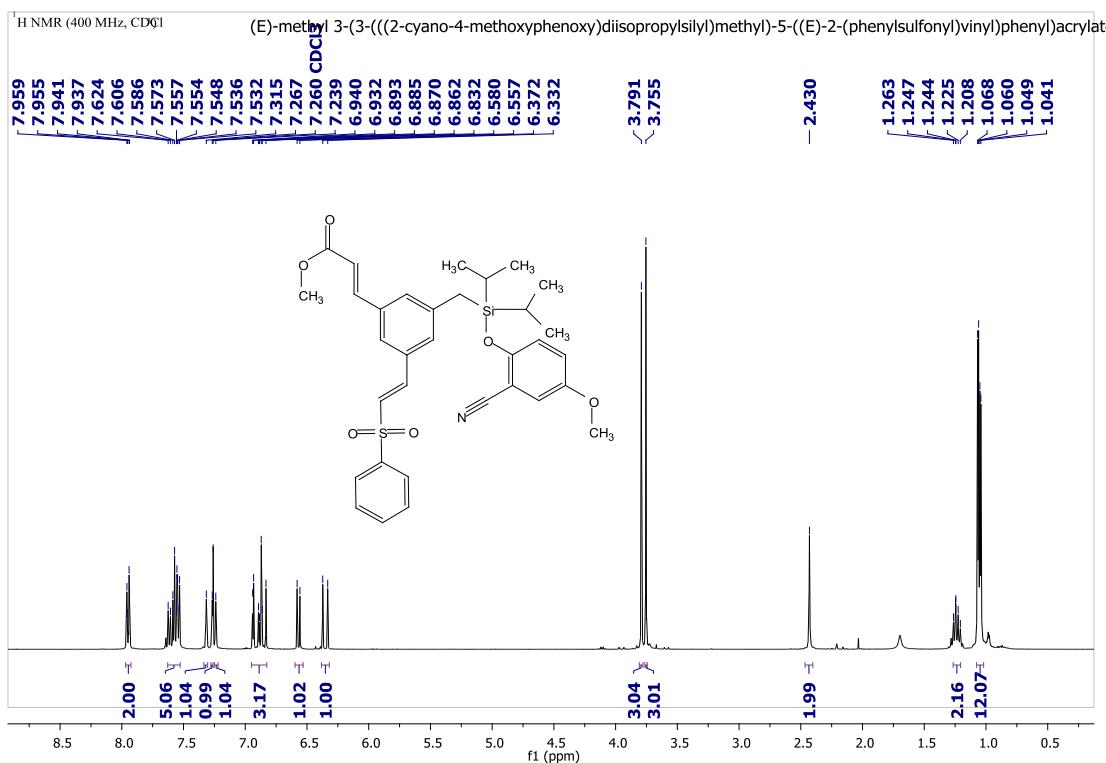


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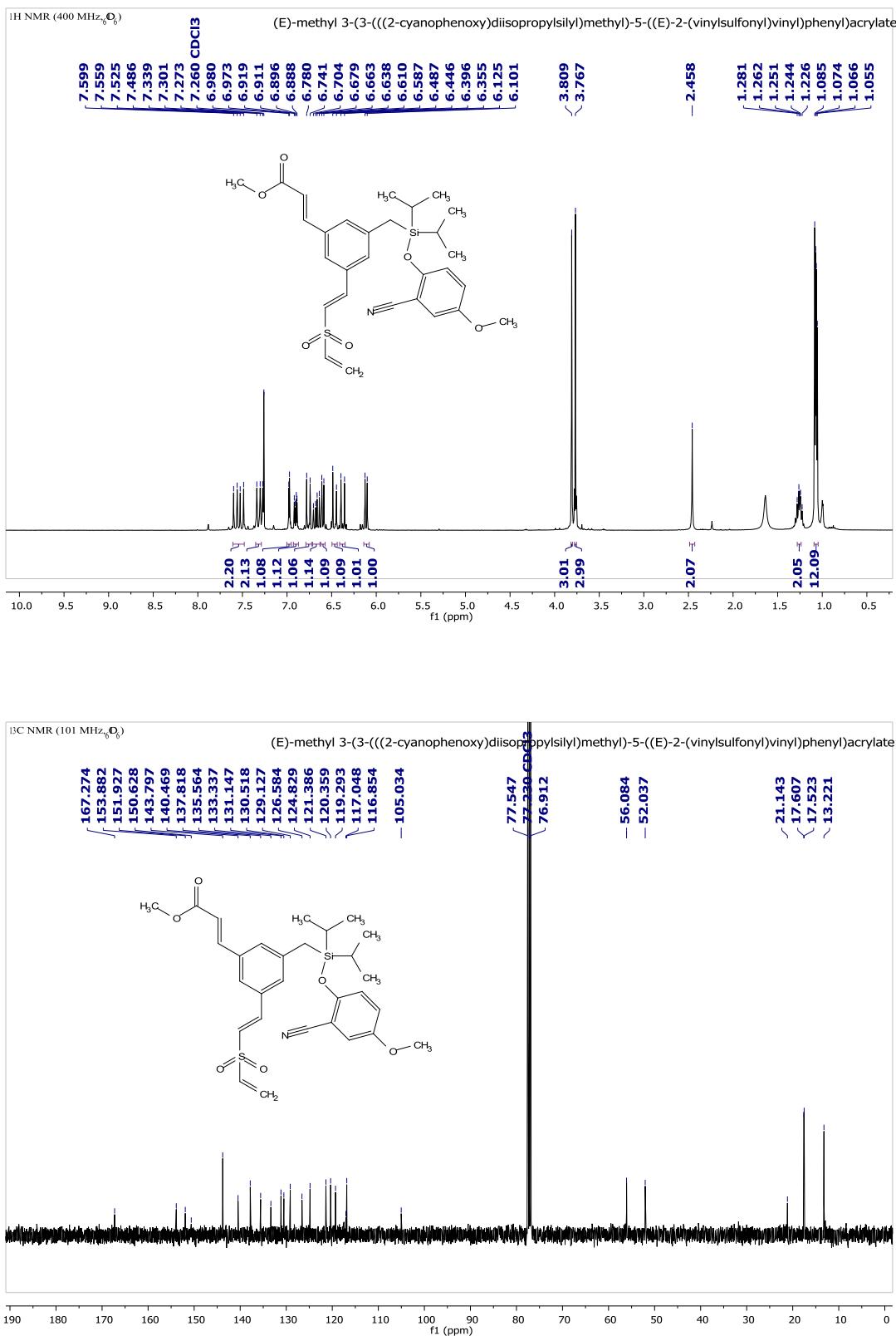


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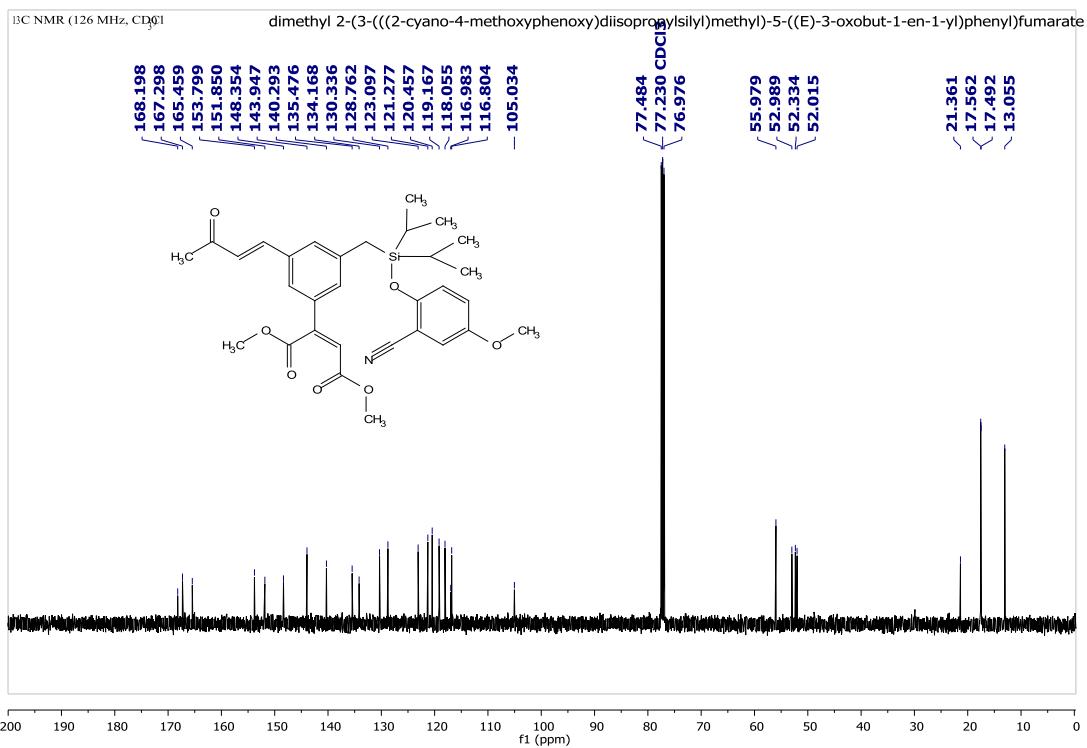
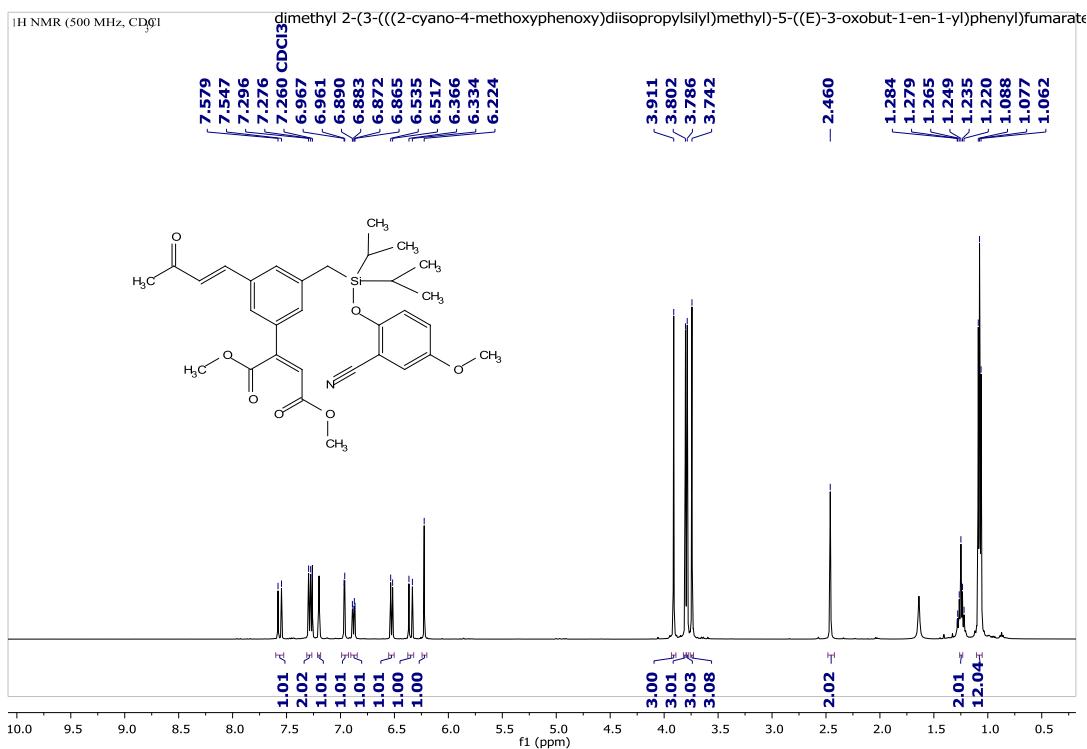


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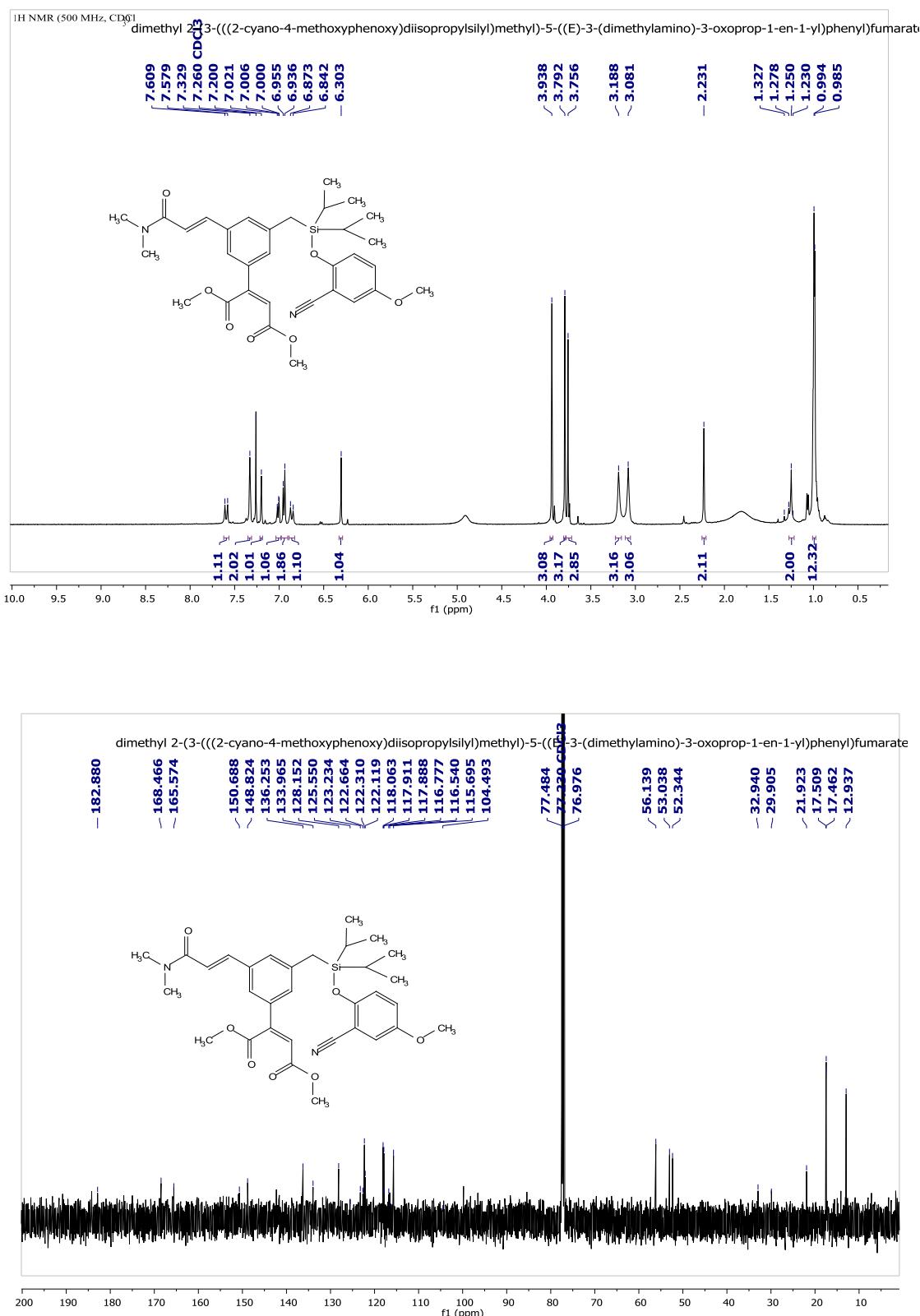


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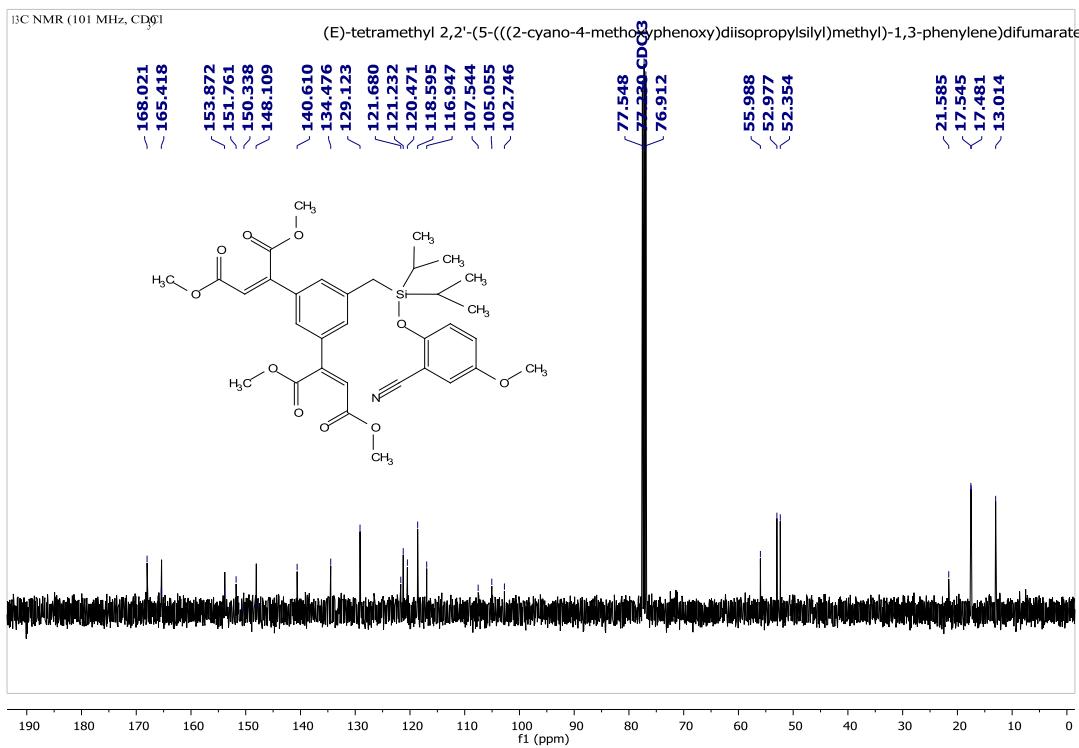
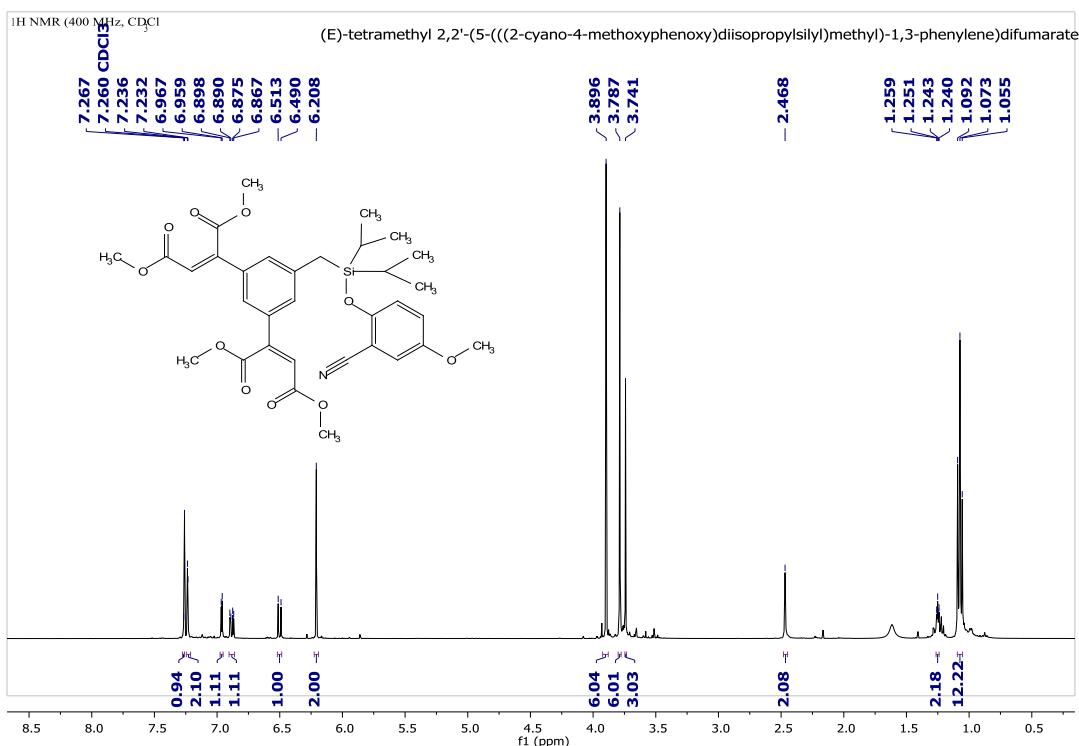


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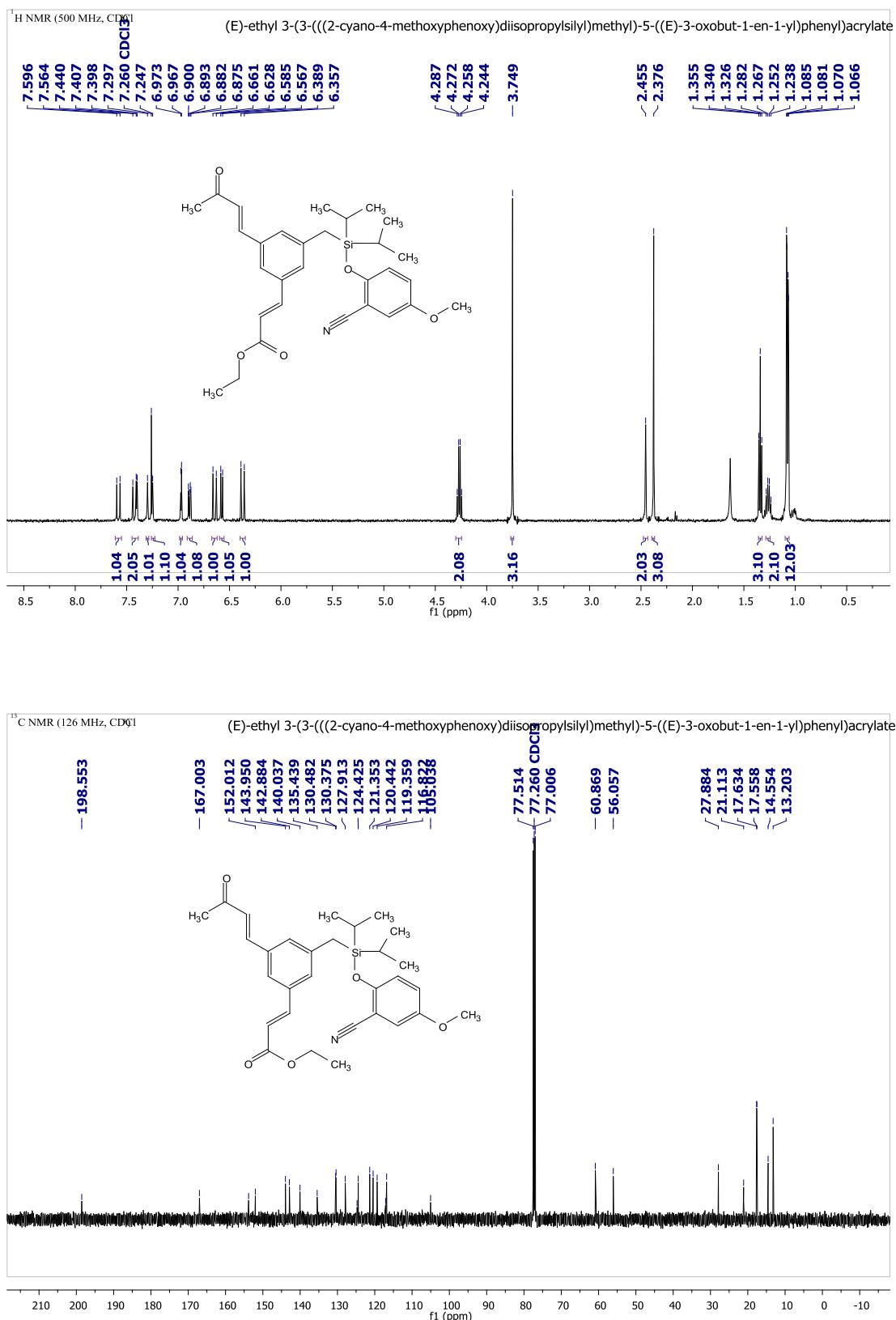


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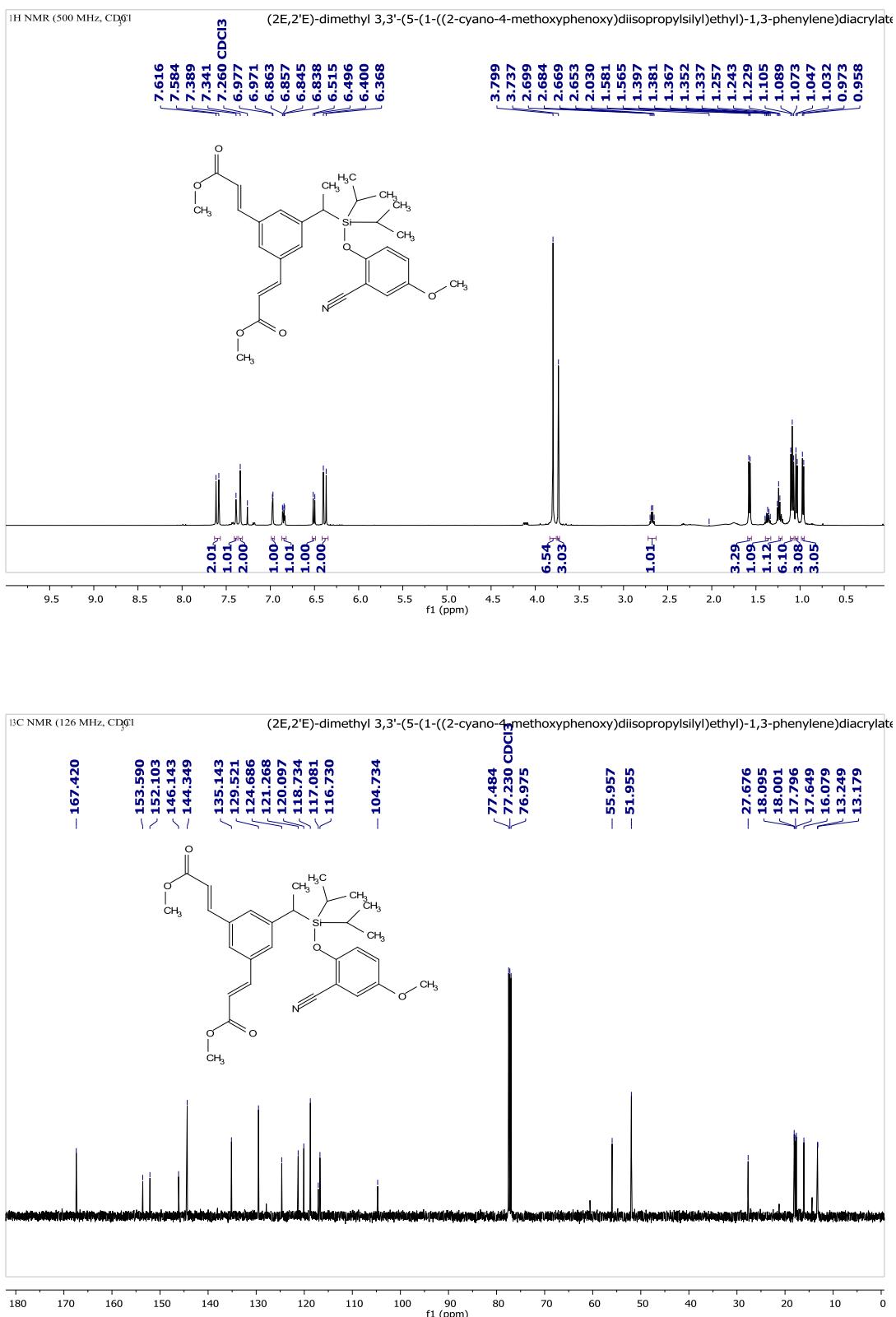


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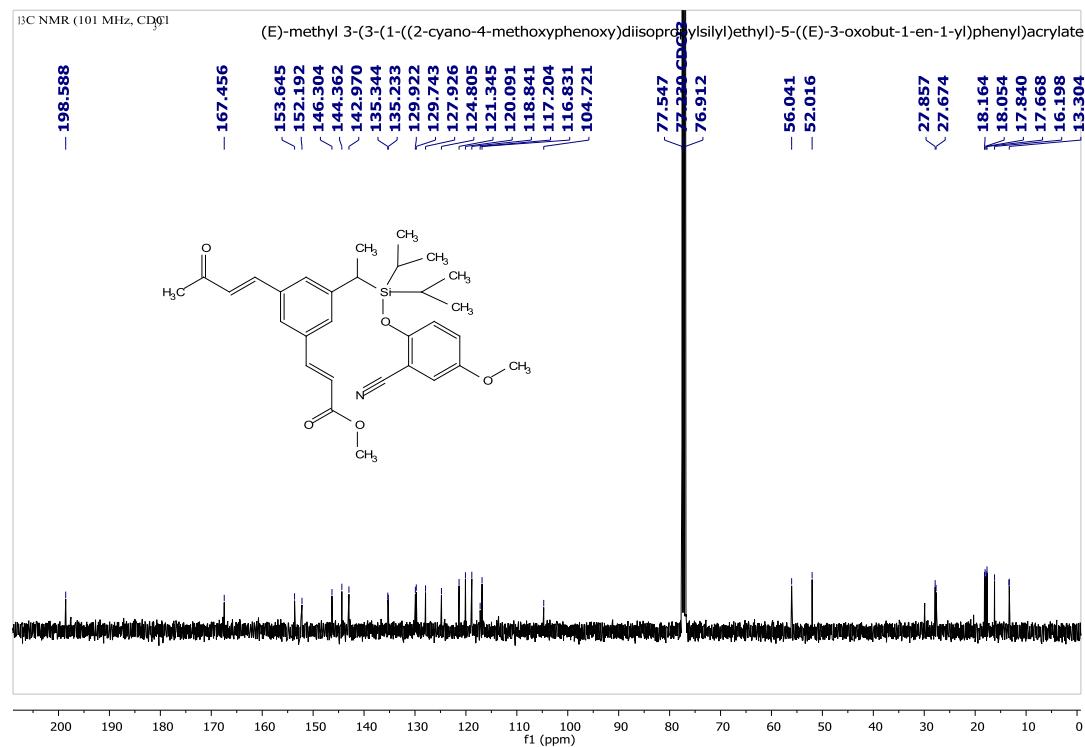
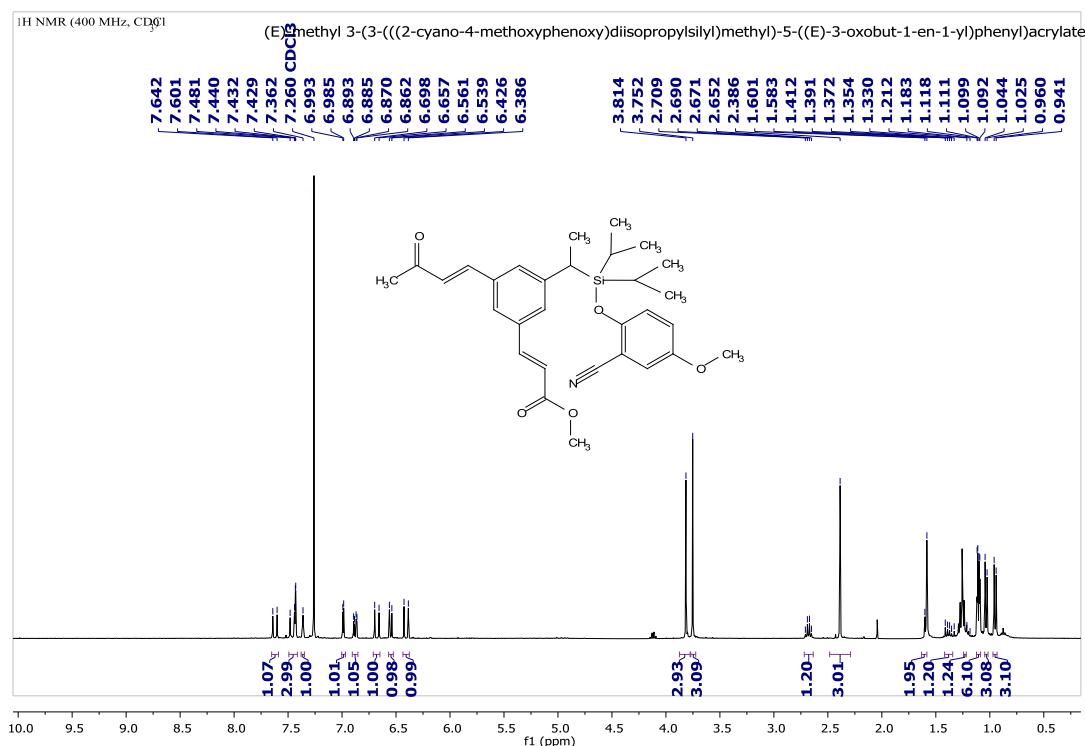


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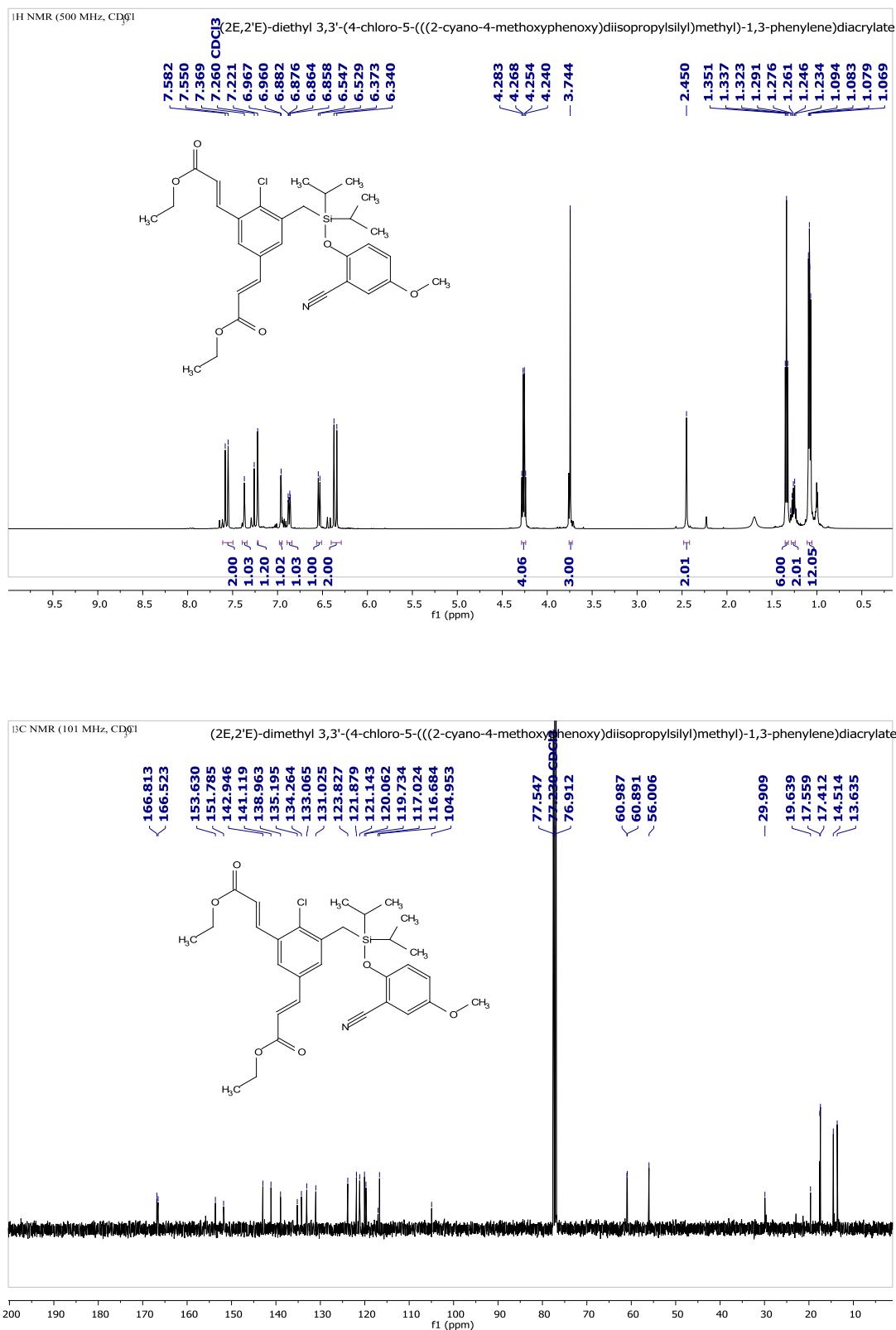
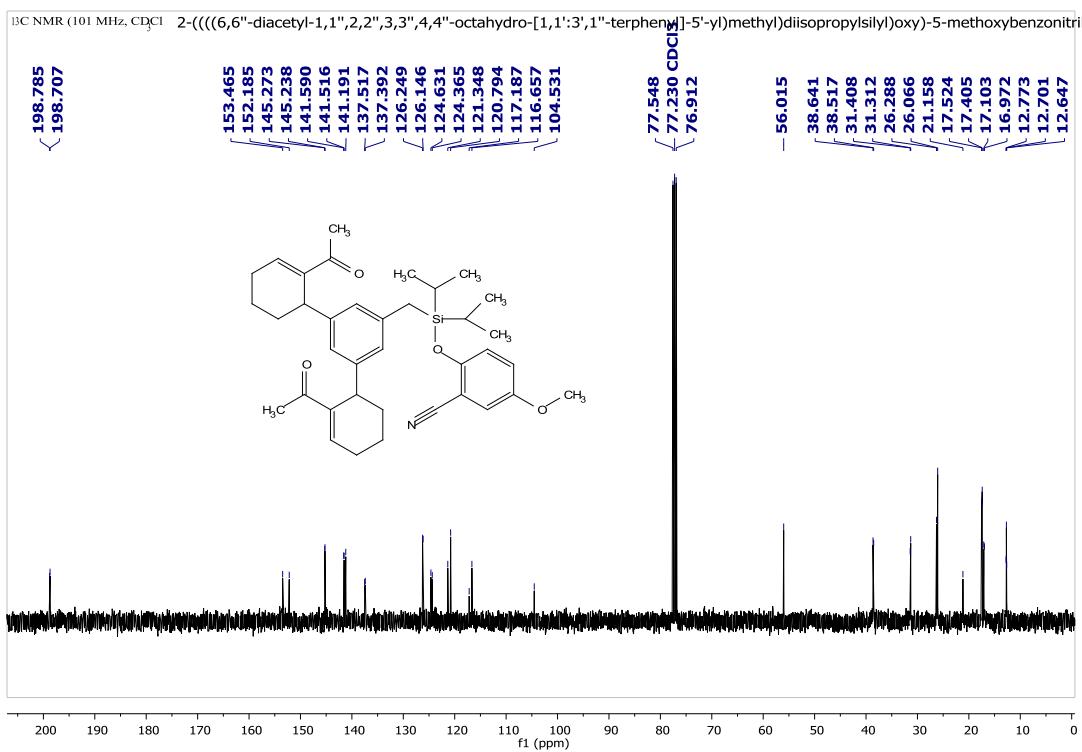
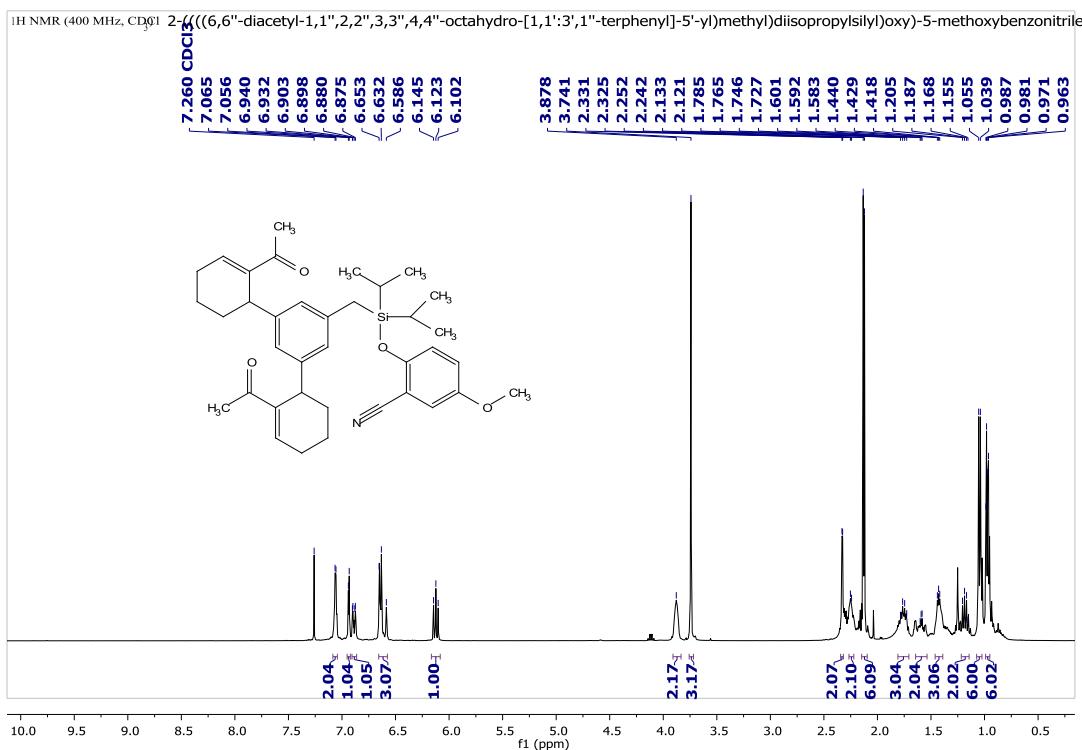
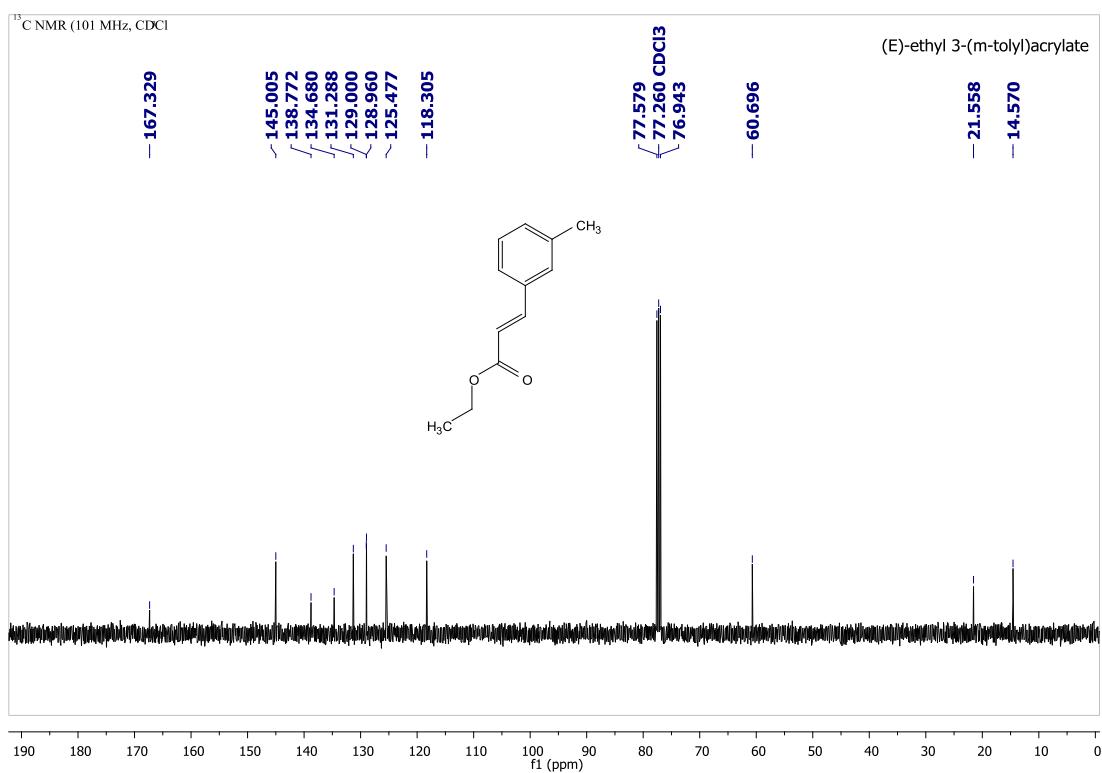
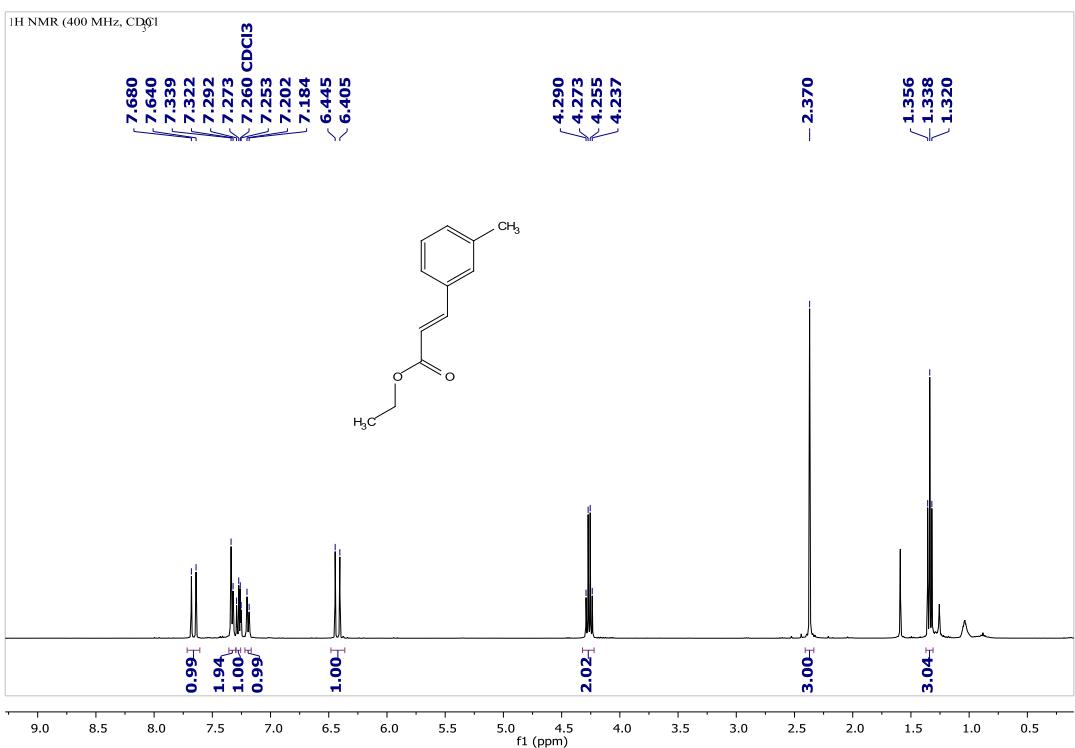


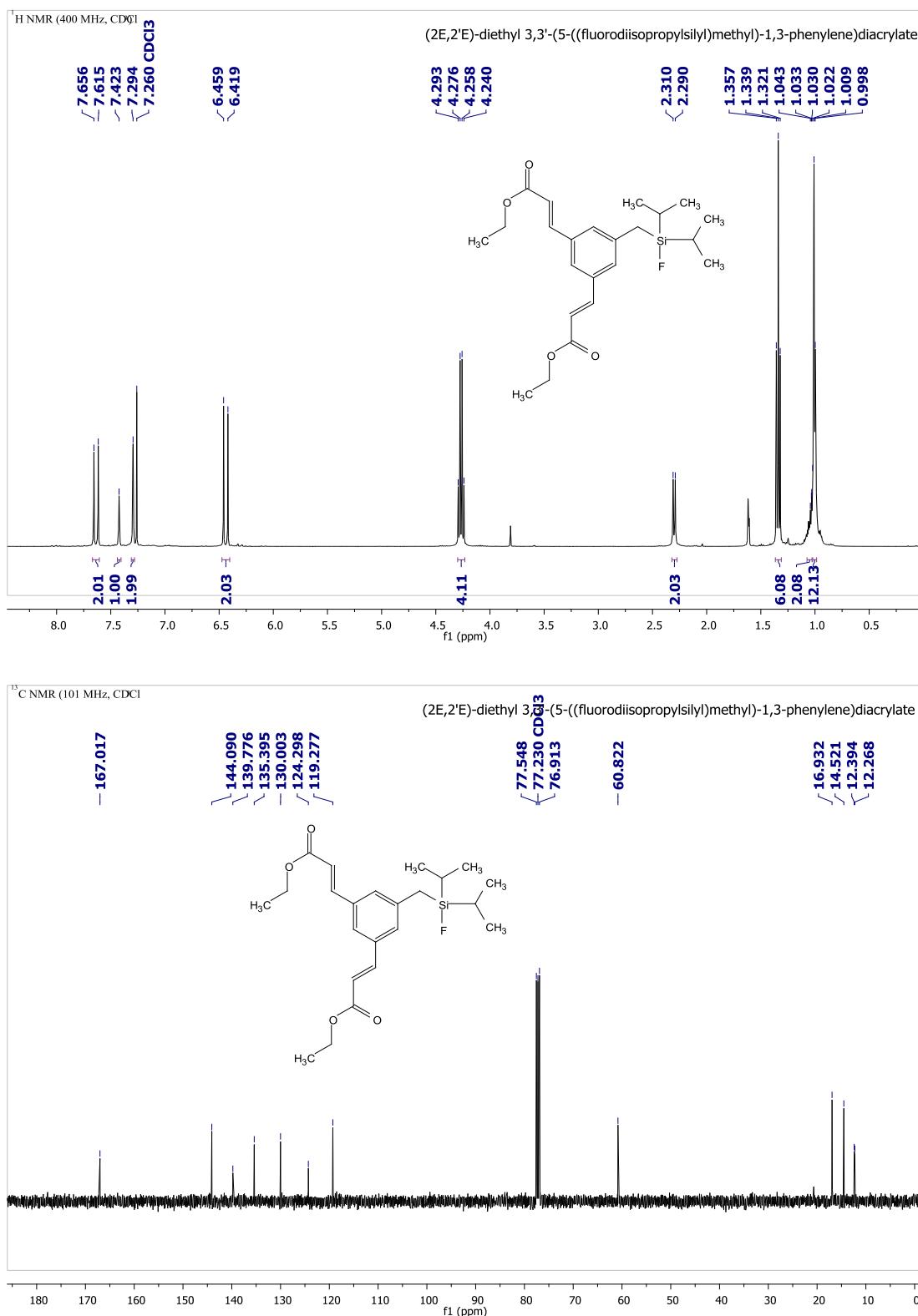
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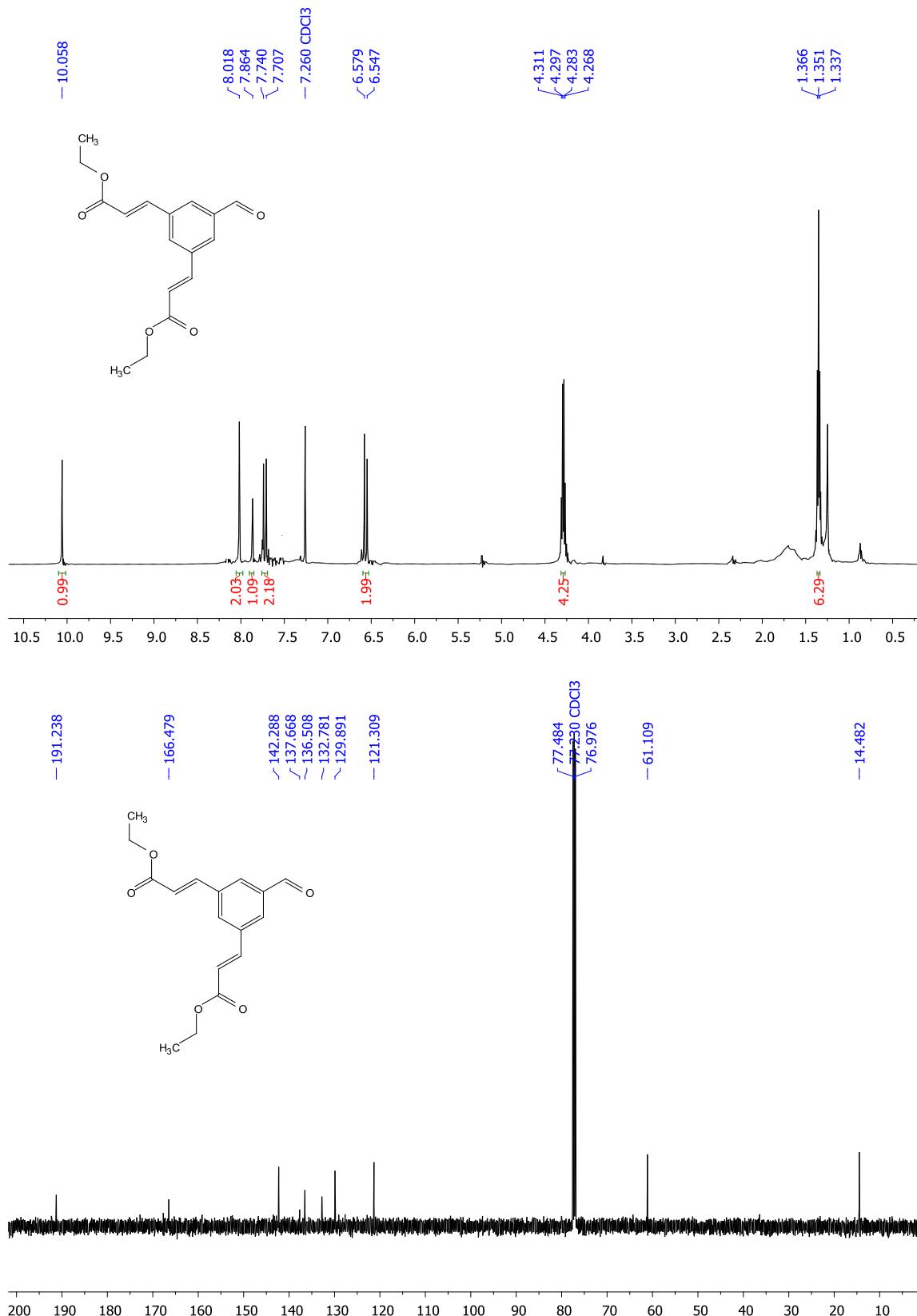
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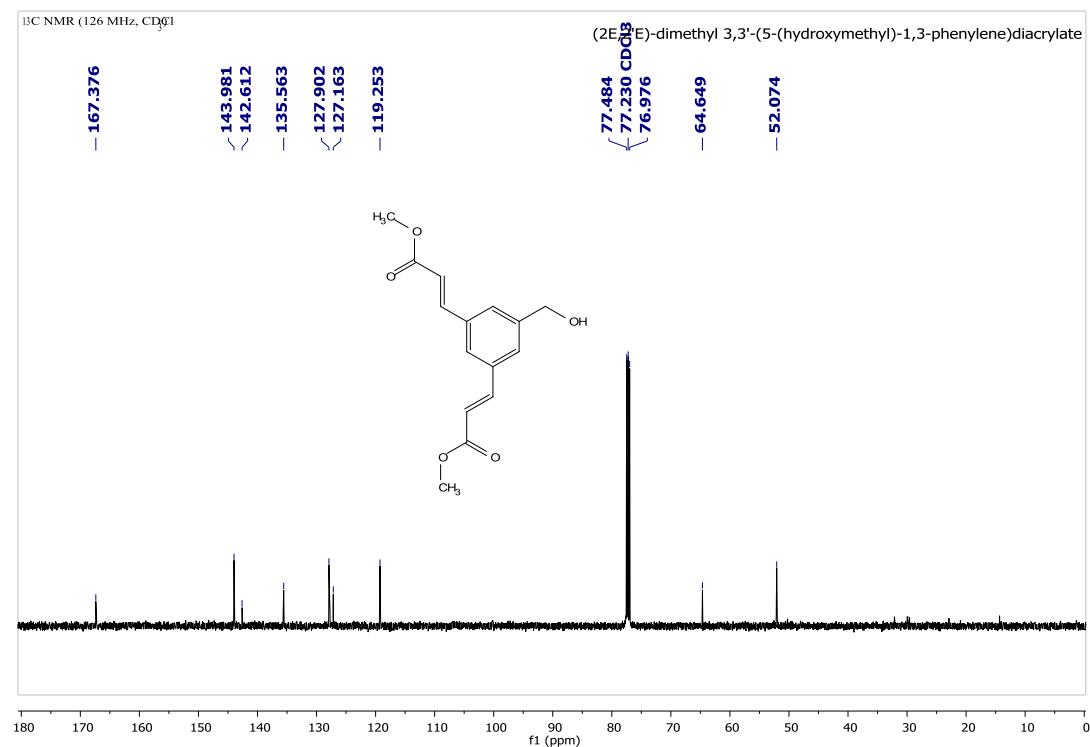
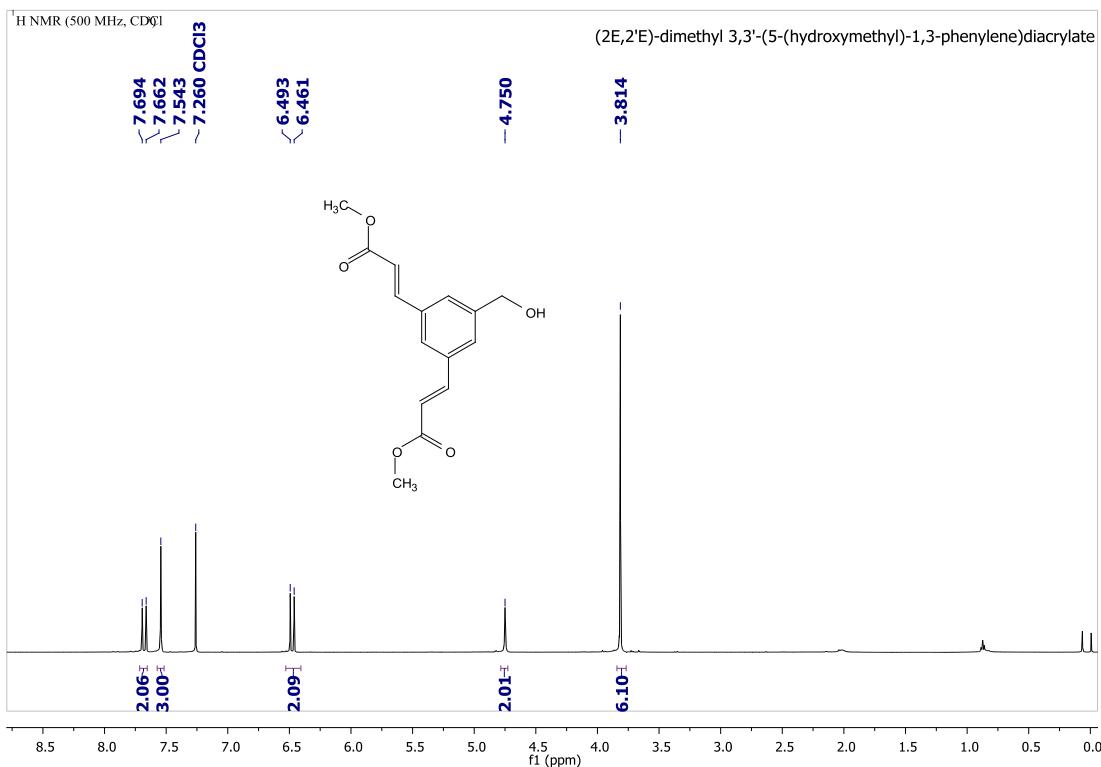
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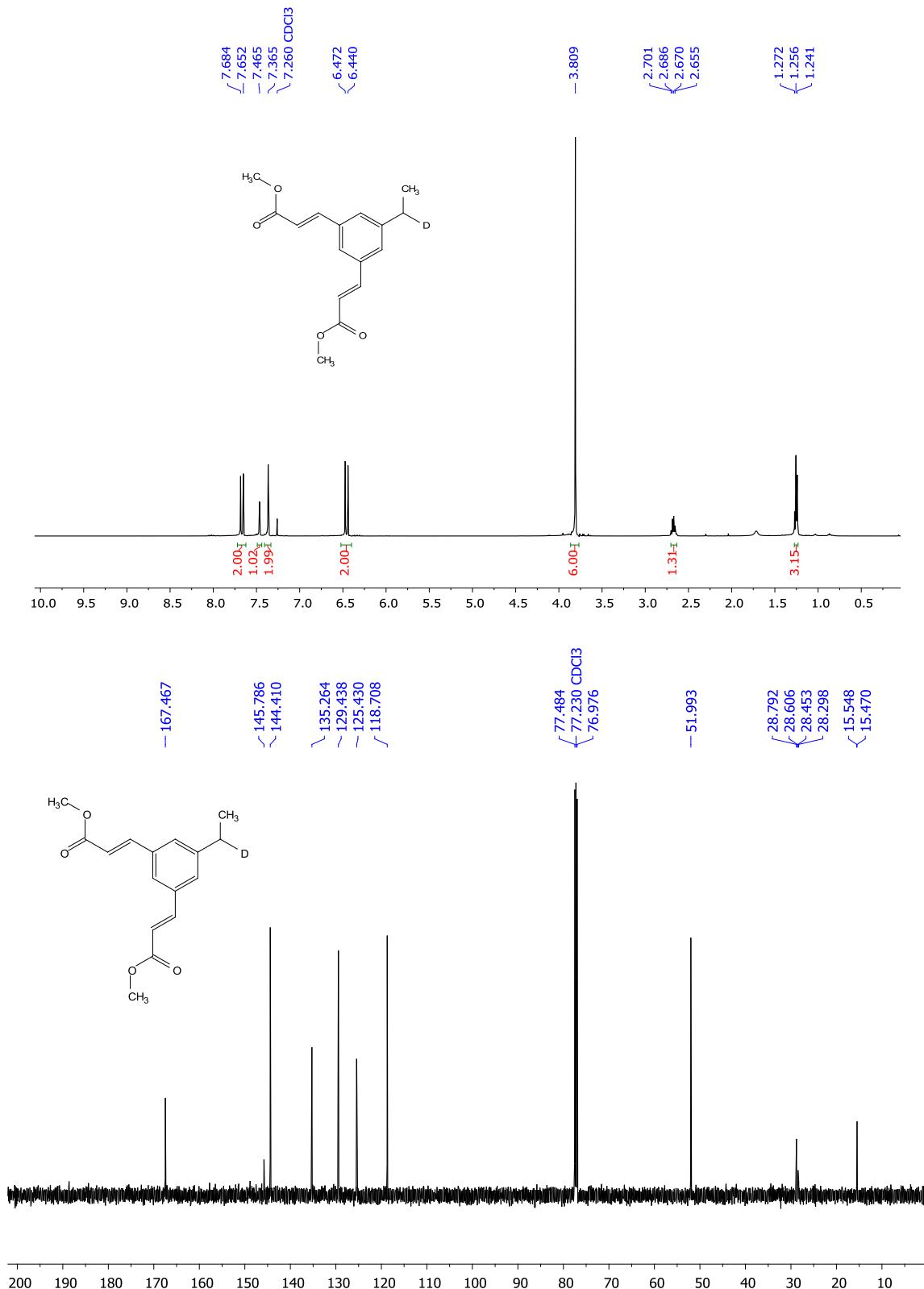
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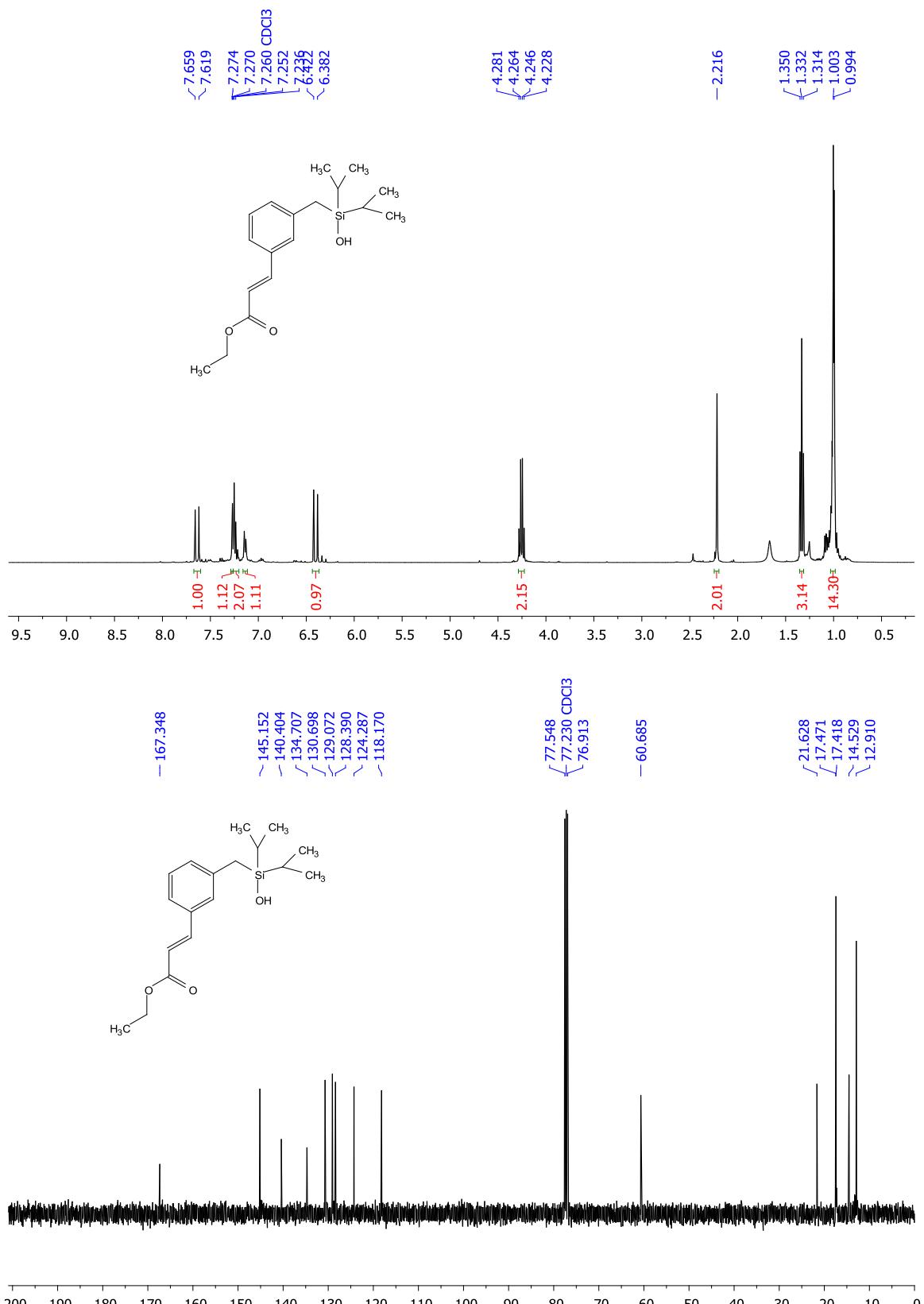
Scheme 5, entry 5c:



Scheme 5, entry 5d:



Scheme 6, entry 6a:



Scheme 6, entry 6b:

