

# A [3+2]-Annulation Approach to Tetrasubstituted Furans from MBH-Carbonates of Acetylenic Aldehydes *via* Sequential Substitution/Cycloisomerization

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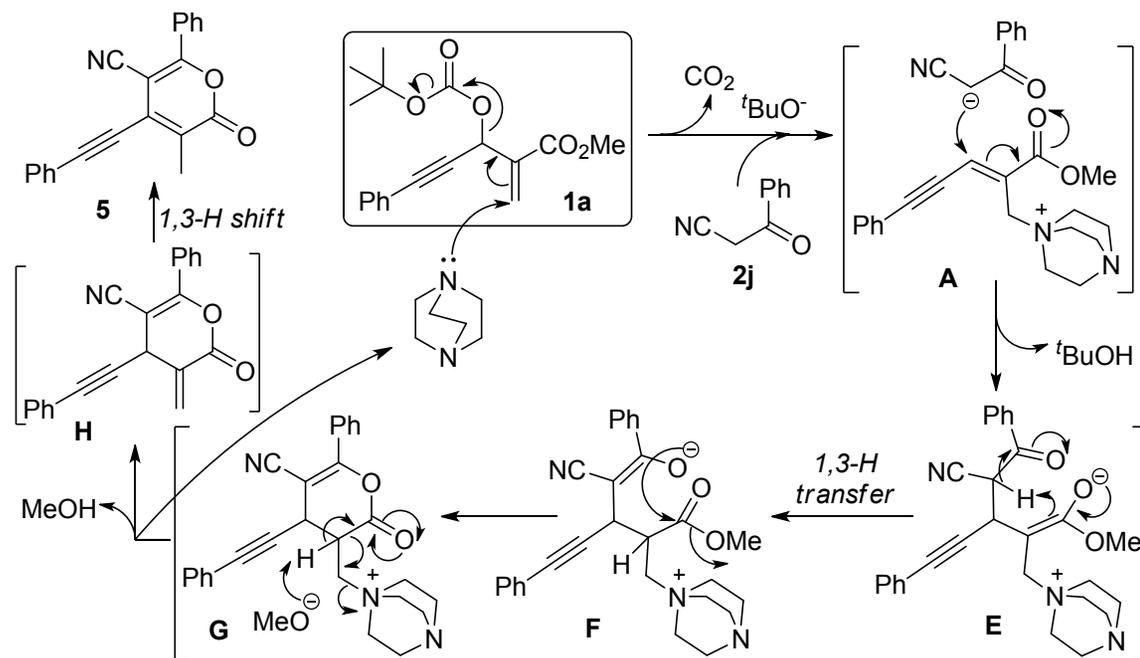
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In the reaction of MBH-carbonated with 1,3-dicarbonyls, formation of the furans was clearly the major pathway, whereas no lactonization of **4a** was observed. On the other hand, the latter pathway was dominant in the case of  $\beta$ -cyano ketone **2j** to produce  $\alpha$ -pyrone **5**. Enolate **E** underwent 1,3-H transfer leading to the transesterification *via* enolate **F** to **G** and subsequent reverse polarization facilitated the regeneration of DABCO to provide the lactone **H**, which rapidly isomerized to pyran-2-one **5** (Scheme 1).<sup>1</sup> The formation of **5** from **1a** was accomplished using only catalytic amount of DABCO.



**Scheme 1.** Possible reaction pathway for the formation of **5**

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**General procedure for the preparation of MBH-carbonates (1a to 1i):** To a stirred solution of the corresponding MBH-alcohol (1 equiv.) in 10 mL of CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> was added di-*tert*-butyl dicarbonate (1.2 equiv.) and DMAP (0.05 equiv.) at 0° C and stirred for given time. After completion of the reaction, the mixture was diluted with water (50 mL) and extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (3 x 30 mL). The combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (EtOAc:hexanes) to afford the corresponding MBH-carbonate. All these carbonates were fully characterized and spectral data is given below.

**Methyl-3-((*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)oxy)-2-methylene-5-phenylpent-4-ynoate (1a):** 1.02 g, 70%, White solid; R<sub>f</sub> = 0.6 (petroleum ether : EtOAc = 9:1); M.P.: 37-39 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.46 (dd, *J* = 7.4, 1.4 Hz, 2H), 7.33 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 3H), 6.53 (s, 1H), 6.38 (s, 1H), 6.36 (s, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 1.52 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 164.9, 152.2, 136.5, 131.9, 129.4, 128.9, 128.3, 121.9, 87.7, 83.6, 83.2, 64.9, 52.3, 27.7; IR (KBr): ν<sub>max</sub> = 2981, 2234, 1748, 1274, 1253, 1156, 1076, 849, 759 cm<sup>-1</sup>; MS (ESI): *m/z* 339 (M+Na)<sup>+</sup>; HRMS (ESI): *m/z* calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>20</sub>O<sub>5</sub>Na [M+Na]: 339.1203, found: 339.1224.

**Methyl-3-((*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)oxy)-5-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-methylenepent-4-ynoate (1b):** 1.0 g, 72%, Yellow solid; R<sub>f</sub> = 0.4 (petroleum ether : EtOAc = 9:1); M.P.: 65-67 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.41 – 7.37 (m, 2H), 7.31 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 6.52 (s, 1H), 6.36 (s, 1H), 6.32 (s, 1H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 1.52 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 164.8, 152.1, 136.3, 135.0, 133.1, 129.3, 128.6, 120.4, 86.4, 84.6, 83.3, 64.7, 52.3, 27.4; IR (KBr): ν<sub>max</sub> = 2979, 2240, 1745, 1720, 1491, 1252, 949, 844, 791 cm<sup>-1</sup>; MS (ESI): *m/z* 373 (M+Na)<sup>+</sup>; HRMS (ESI): *m/z* calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>19</sub>ClO<sub>5</sub>Na (M+Na)<sup>+</sup>: 373.0813, found: 373.0819.

**Methyl-3-((*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)oxy)-2-methylene-5-(4-nitrophenyl)pent-4-ynoate (1c):** 1.18 g, 86%, Yellow solid; R<sub>f</sub> = 0.3 (petroleum ether : EtOAc = 9:1); M.P.: 59 - 61 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 8.20 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.61 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.55 (s, 1H), 6.39 (s, 1H), 6.31 (s, 1H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 1.53 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 164.6, 152.0, 147.5, 135.9, 132.7, 129.4, 128.4, 123.5, 88.8, 85.3, 83.6, 64.5, 52.4, 27.7; IR (KBr): ν<sub>max</sub> = 2982, 2292, 1745, 1522, 1346, 1274, 1157, 1081, 855, 771 cm<sup>-1</sup>; MS (ESI): *m/z* 384 (M+Na)<sup>+</sup>; HRMS (ESI): *m/z* calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>19</sub>NO<sub>7</sub>Na (M+Na)<sup>+</sup>: 384.1054, found: 384.1088.

**Methyl-3-((*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)oxy)-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-methylenepent-4-ynoate (1d):** 1.29 g, 92%, Yellow solid; R<sub>f</sub> = 0.4 (petroleum ether : EtOAc = 9:1); M.P.: 63 – 64 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.40 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.84 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.51 (s, 1H), 6.36 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 3.81 (s, 6H), 1.51 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 164.9, 160.0, 152.2, 136.6, 133.5, 129.3, 113.9, 87.8, 83.0, 82.2, 65.0, 55.3, 52.2, 27.7; IR (KBr): ν<sub>max</sub> = 2934, 2230, 1746, 1681, 1271, 1159, 1075, 848, 760 cm<sup>-1</sup>; MS (ESI): *m/z* 369 (M+Na)<sup>+</sup>; HRMS (ESI): *m/z* calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>6</sub>Na (M+Na)<sup>+</sup>: 369.1308, found: 369.1315.

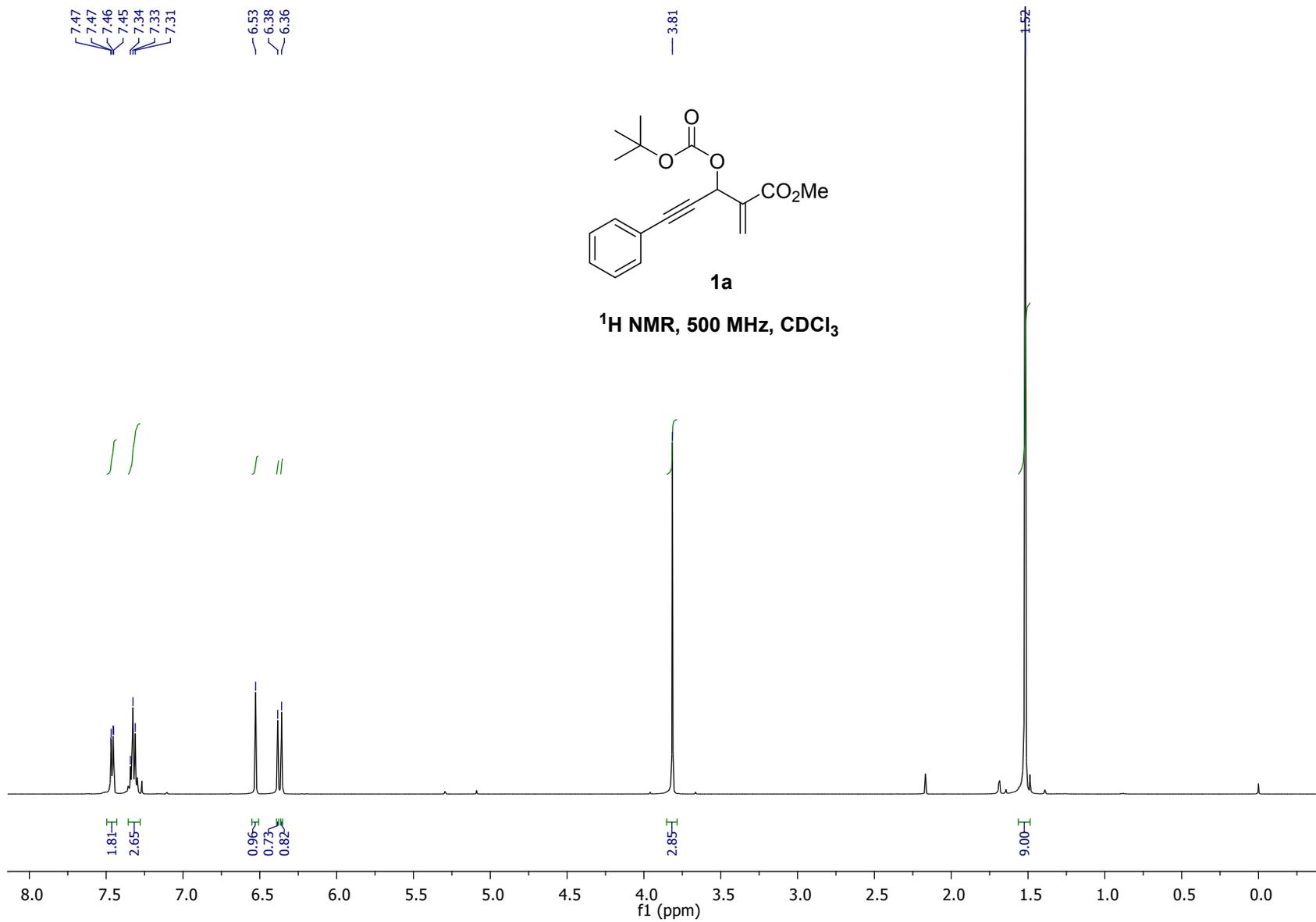
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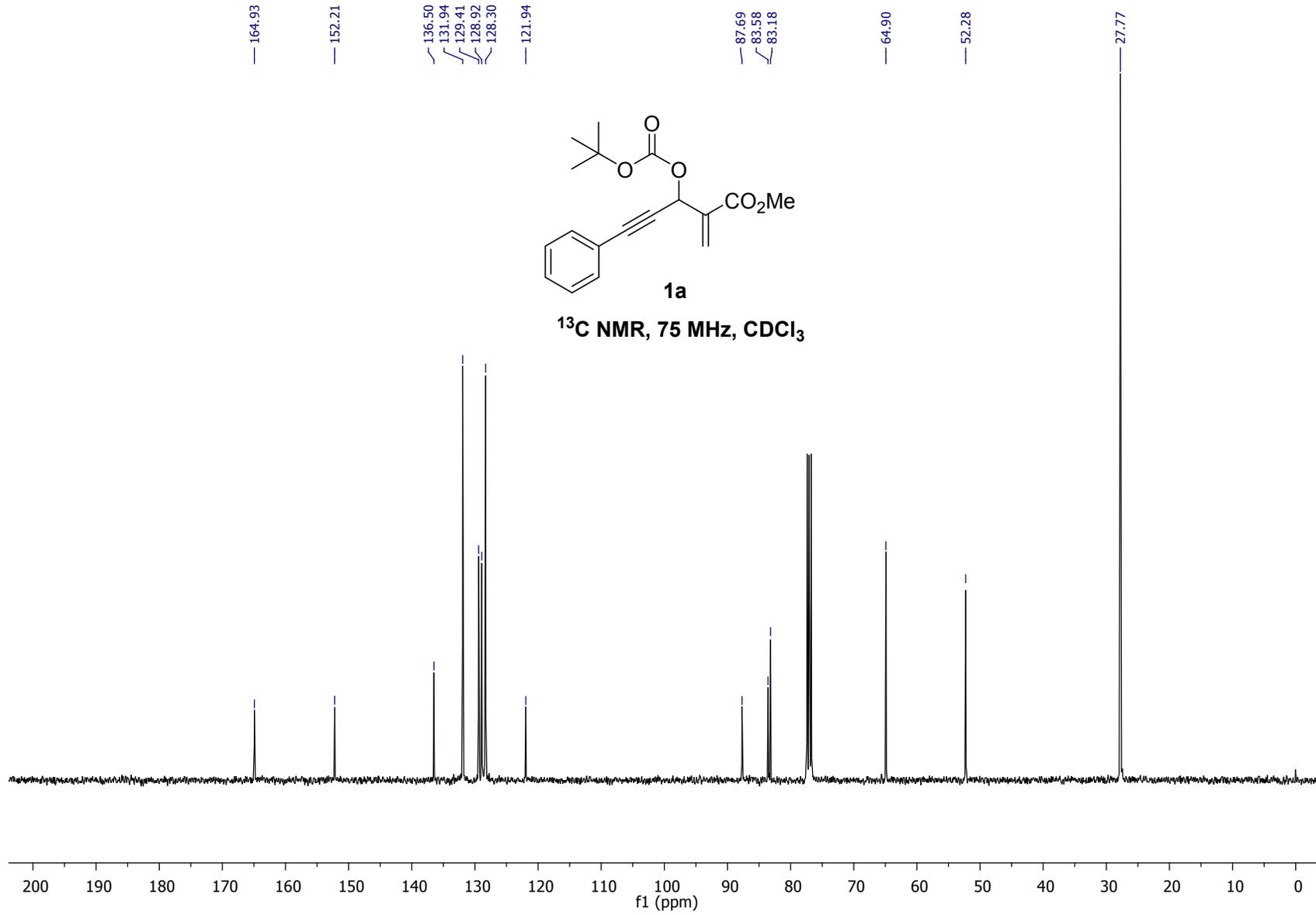
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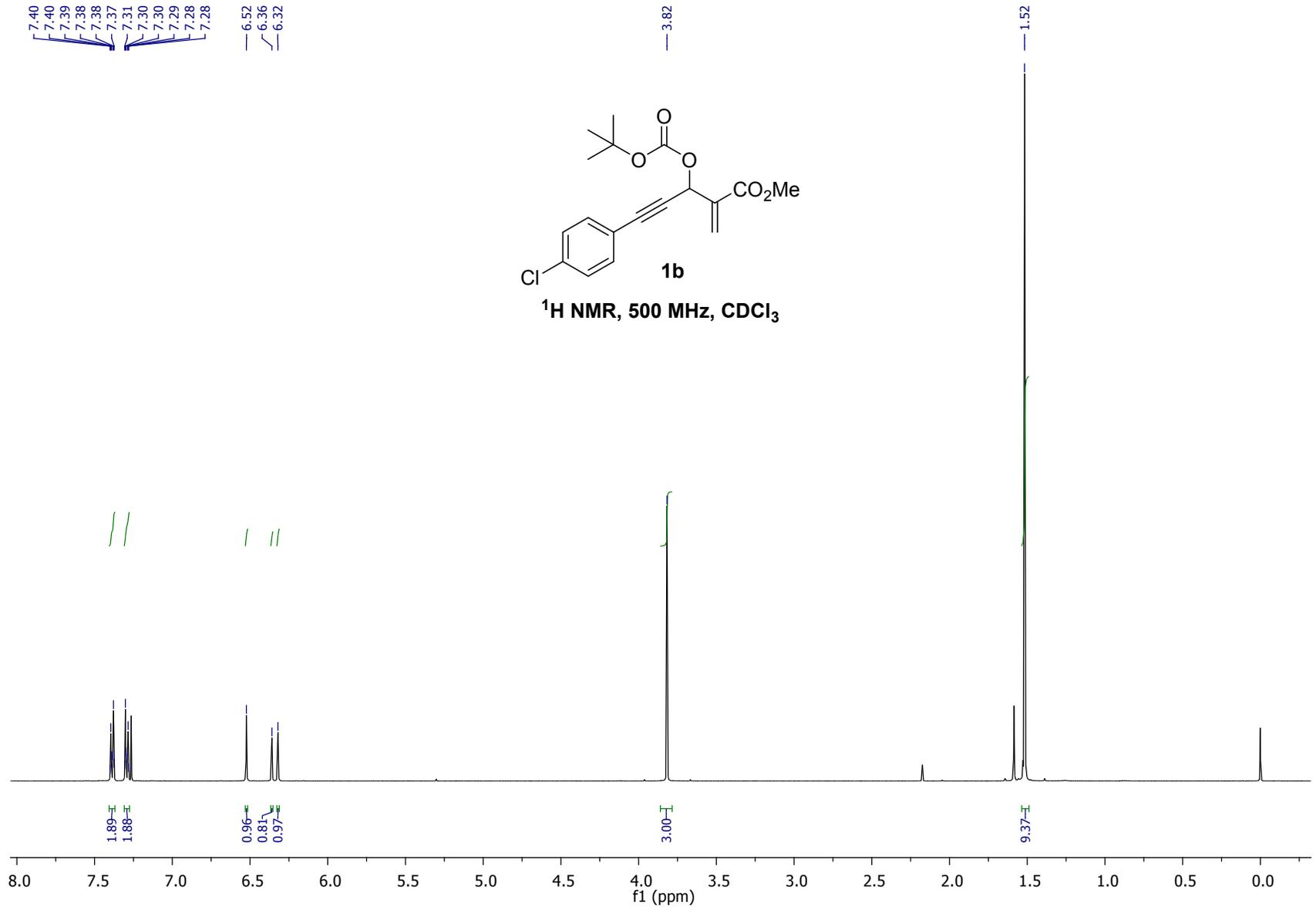
***tert*-Butyl-3-(3-((*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)oxy)-4-(methoxycarbonyl)pent-4-en-1-yn-1-yl)-1*H*-indole-1-carboxylate (1g):** 1.28 g, 82%, Pale yellow liquid;  $R_f = 0.5$  (petroleum ether : EtOAc = 8:2);  $^1\text{H NMR}$  (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  8.13 (d,  $J = 8.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.80 (s, 1H), 7.64 (d,  $J = 7.7$  Hz, 1H), 7.39 – 7.33 (m, 1H), 7.32 – 7.27 (m, 1H), 6.56 (s, 1H), 6.44 (s, 1H), 6.41 (s, 1H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 1.67 (s, 9H), 1.53 (s, 9H);  $^{13}\text{C NMR}$  (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  164.9, 152.2, 148.9, 136.5, 134.5, 130.3, 129.8, 129.3, 125.3, 123.3, 120.0, 115.3, 102.1, 87.2, 84.4, 83.1, 79.9, 65.1, 52.3, 28.1, 27.7; IR (KBr):  $\nu_{\text{max}} = 2980, 2234, 1743, 1371, 1274, 1155, 852, 752$   $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; MS (ESI):  $m/z$  478 ( $\text{M}+\text{Na}^+$ ); HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{29}\text{O}_7\text{NNa}$  ( $\text{M}+\text{Na}^+$ ): 478.1836, found: 478.1815.

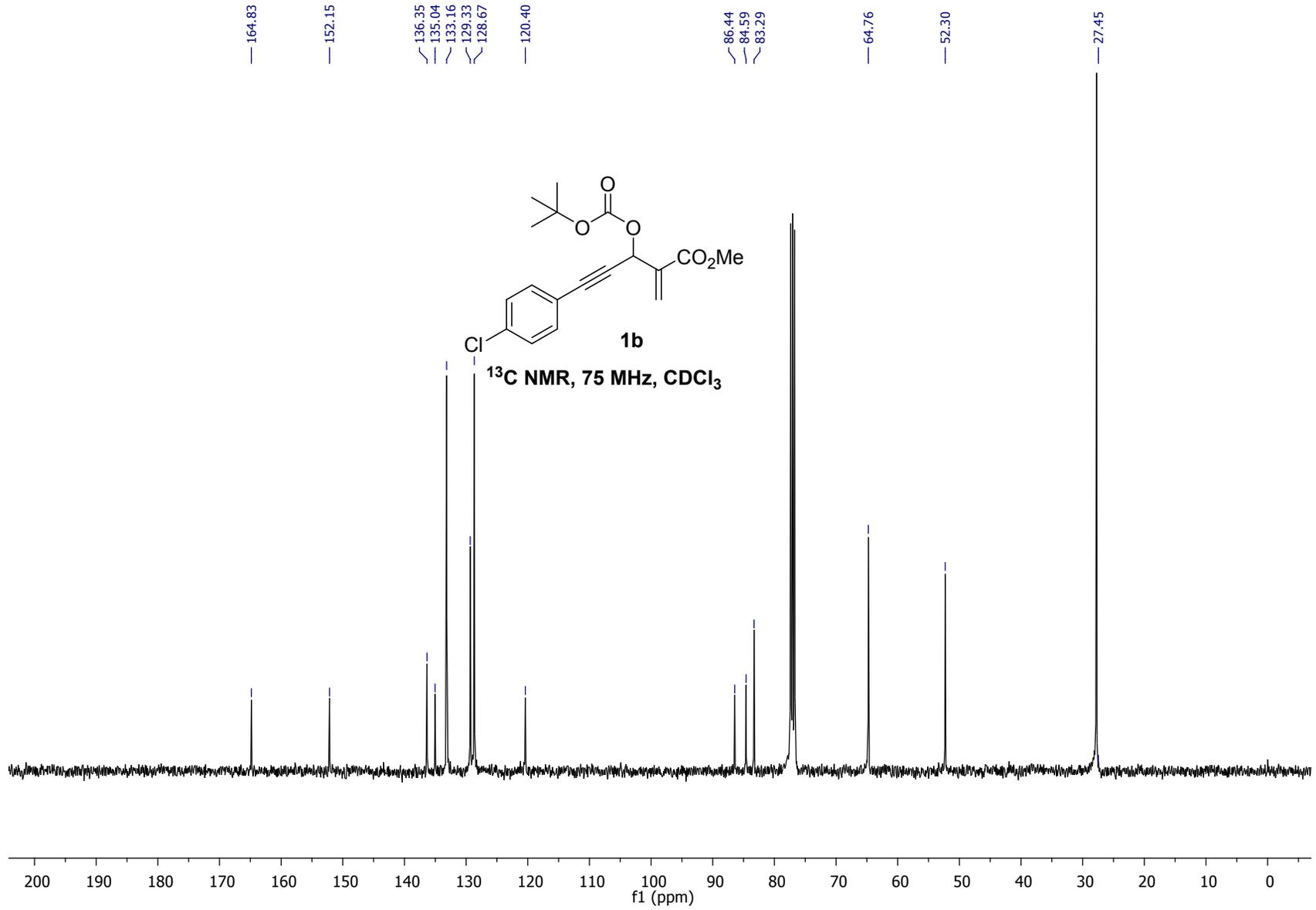
**Methyl-3-((*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)oxy)-2-methyleneoct-4-ynoate (1h):** 1.16 g, 75%, Pale yellow liquid.  $R_f = 0.7$  (petroleum ether : EtOAc = 9:1);  $^1\text{H NMR}$  (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  6.45 (s, 1H), 6.26 (s, 1H), 6.12 (s, 1H), 3.78 (s, 3H), 2.22 (td,  $J = 7.0, 2.1$  Hz, 2H), 1.57 – 1.51 (m, 2H), 1.50 (s, 9H), 0.97 (t,  $J = 7.4$  Hz, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C NMR}$  (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  165.0, 152.5, 136.9, 128.9, 88.9, 82.8, 74.9, 64.8, 52.1, 27.7, 21.7, 20.7, 13.4; IR (KBr):  $\nu_{\text{max}} = 2966, 2935, 2238, 1748, 1273, 1254, 1154, 1078, 953$   $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; MS (ESI):  $m/z$  305 ( $\text{M}+\text{Na}^+$ ); HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{22}\text{O}_5\text{Na}$  ( $\text{M}+\text{Na}^+$ ): 305.1359, found: 305.1357.

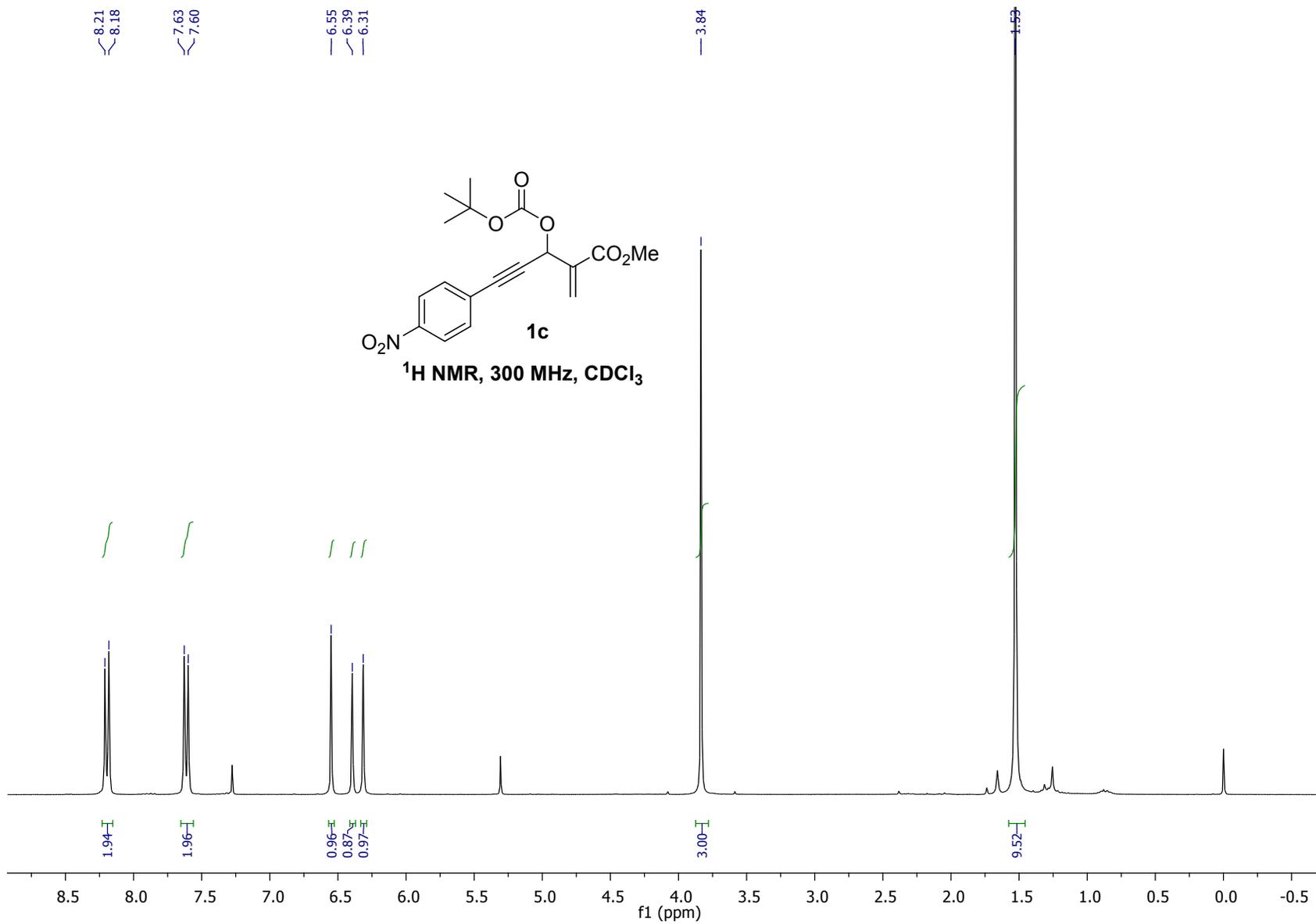
**Dimethyl-5,5'-(1,3-phenylene)bis(3-((*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)-oxy)-2-methylenepent-4-ynoate) (1i):** 1.21 g, 81%, Yellow liquid;  $R_f = 0.4$  (petroleum ether : EtOAc = 9:1);  $^1\text{H NMR}$  (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.57 (s, 1H), 7.47 – 7.41 (m, 2H), 7.30 (d,  $J = 10.1$  Hz, 1H), 6.55 (s, 2H), 6.37 (s, 2H), 6.35 (s, 2H), 3.83 (s, 6H), 1.54 (s, 18H);  $^{13}\text{C NMR}$  (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  164.8, 152.1, 136.2, 135.2, 132.2, 129.5, 128.4, 122.2, 86.5, 84.3, 83.3, 64.7, 52.3, 27.7; IR (KBr):  $\nu_{\text{max}} = 2982, 2239, 1746, 1273, 1255, 1157, 1079, 955, 772$   $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; MS (ESI):  $m/z$  577 ( $\text{M}+\text{Na}^+$ ); HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{34}\text{O}_{10}\text{Na}$  ( $\text{M}+\text{Na}^+$ ): 577.2044, found: 577.2024.

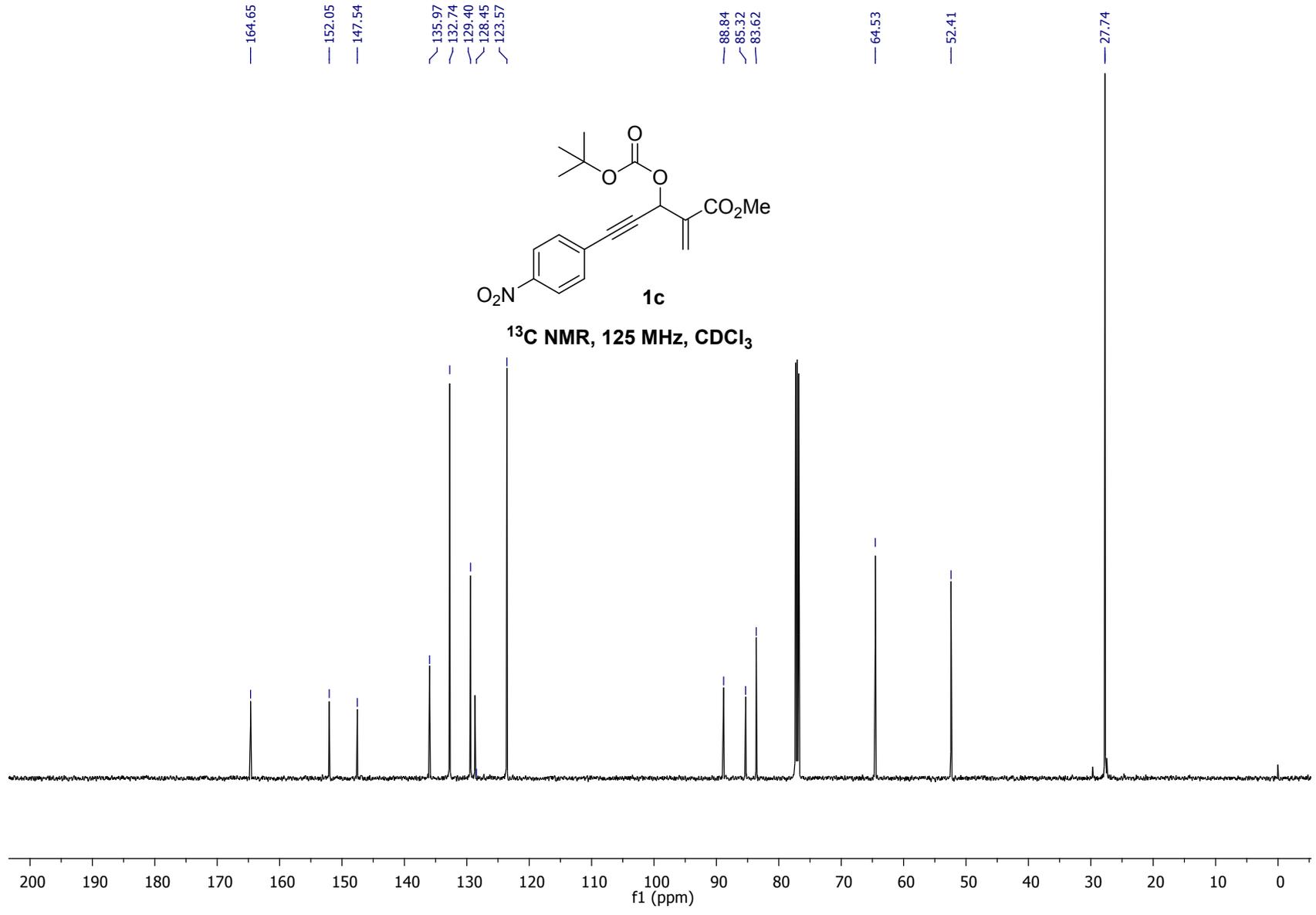


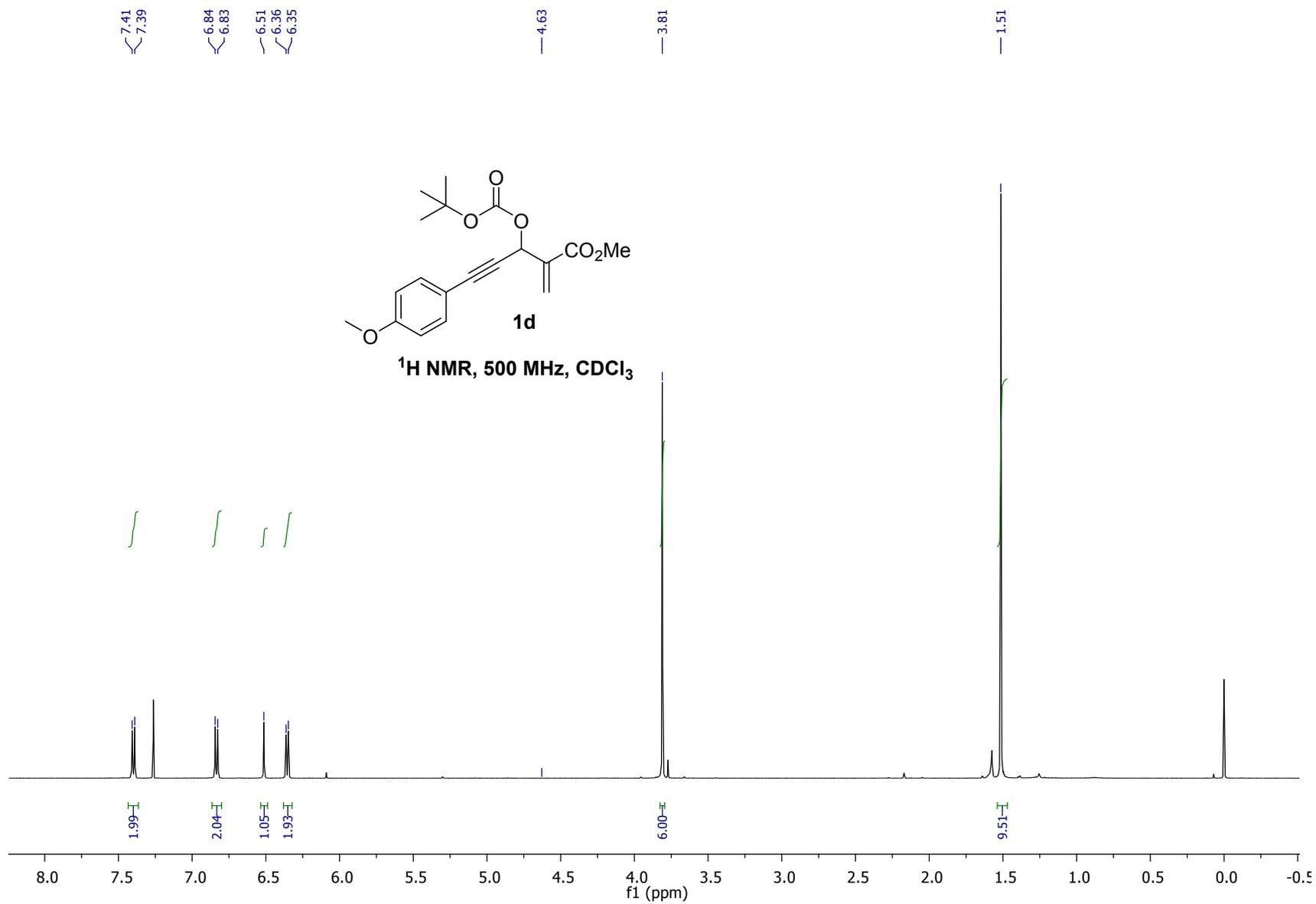


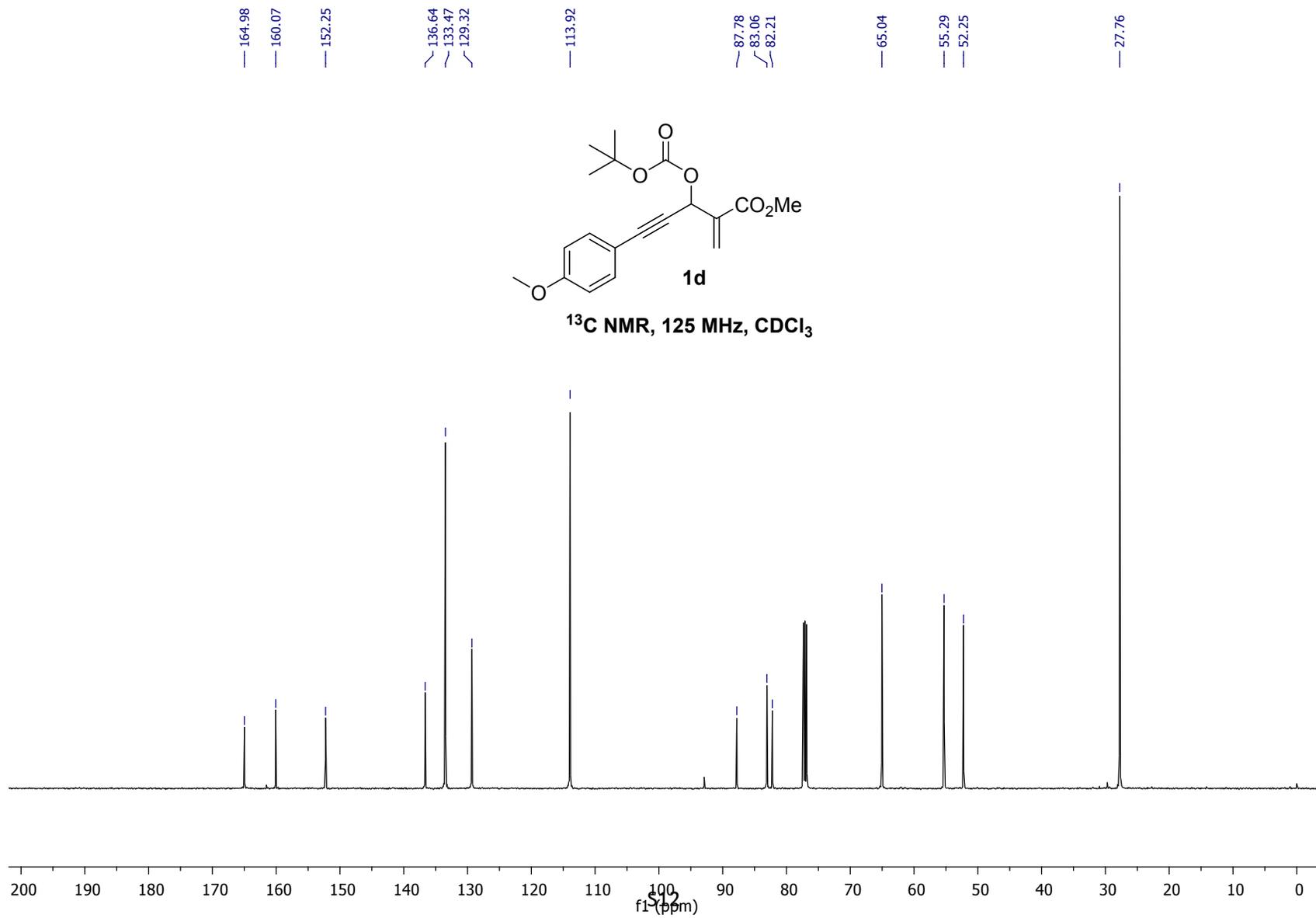


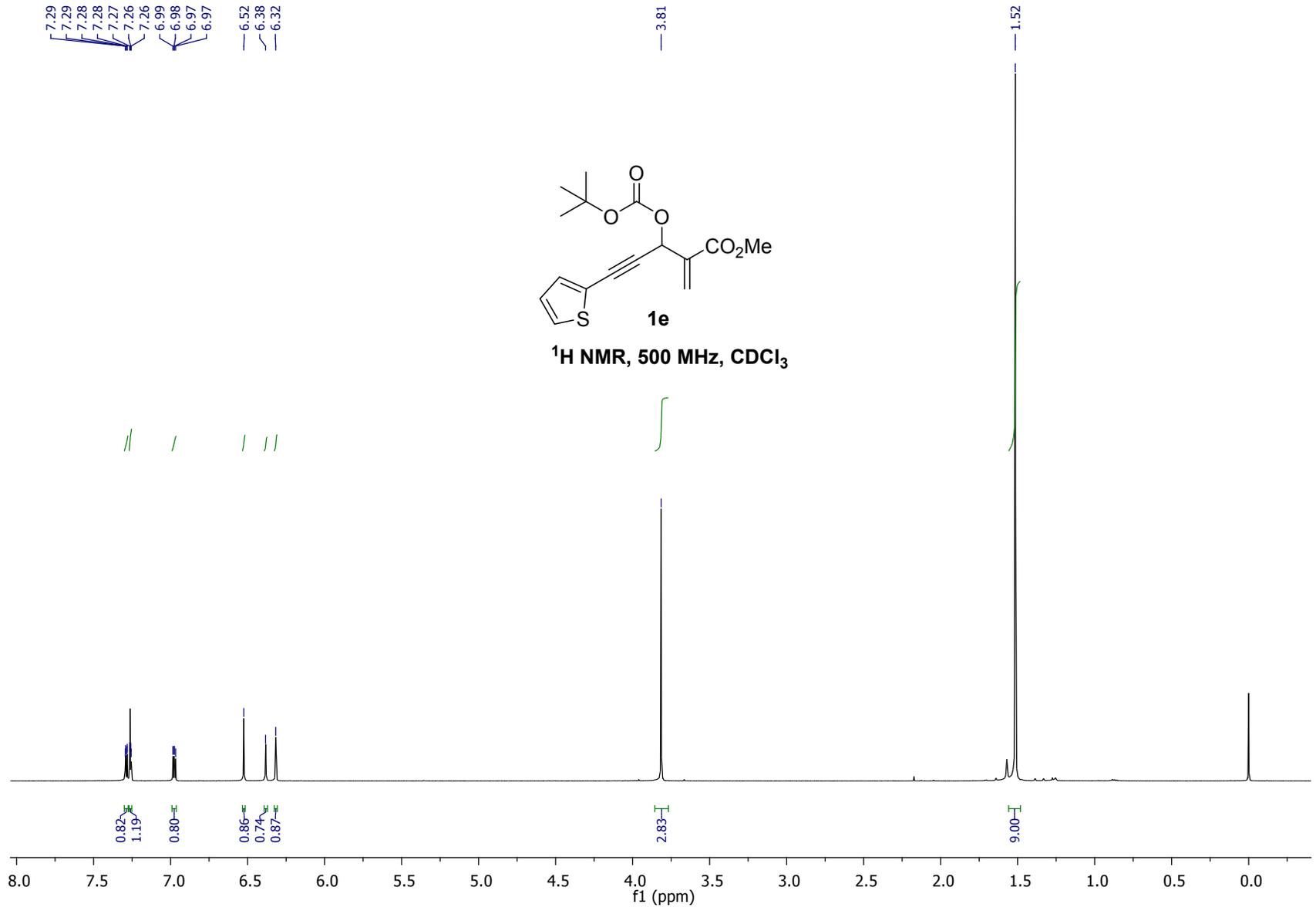


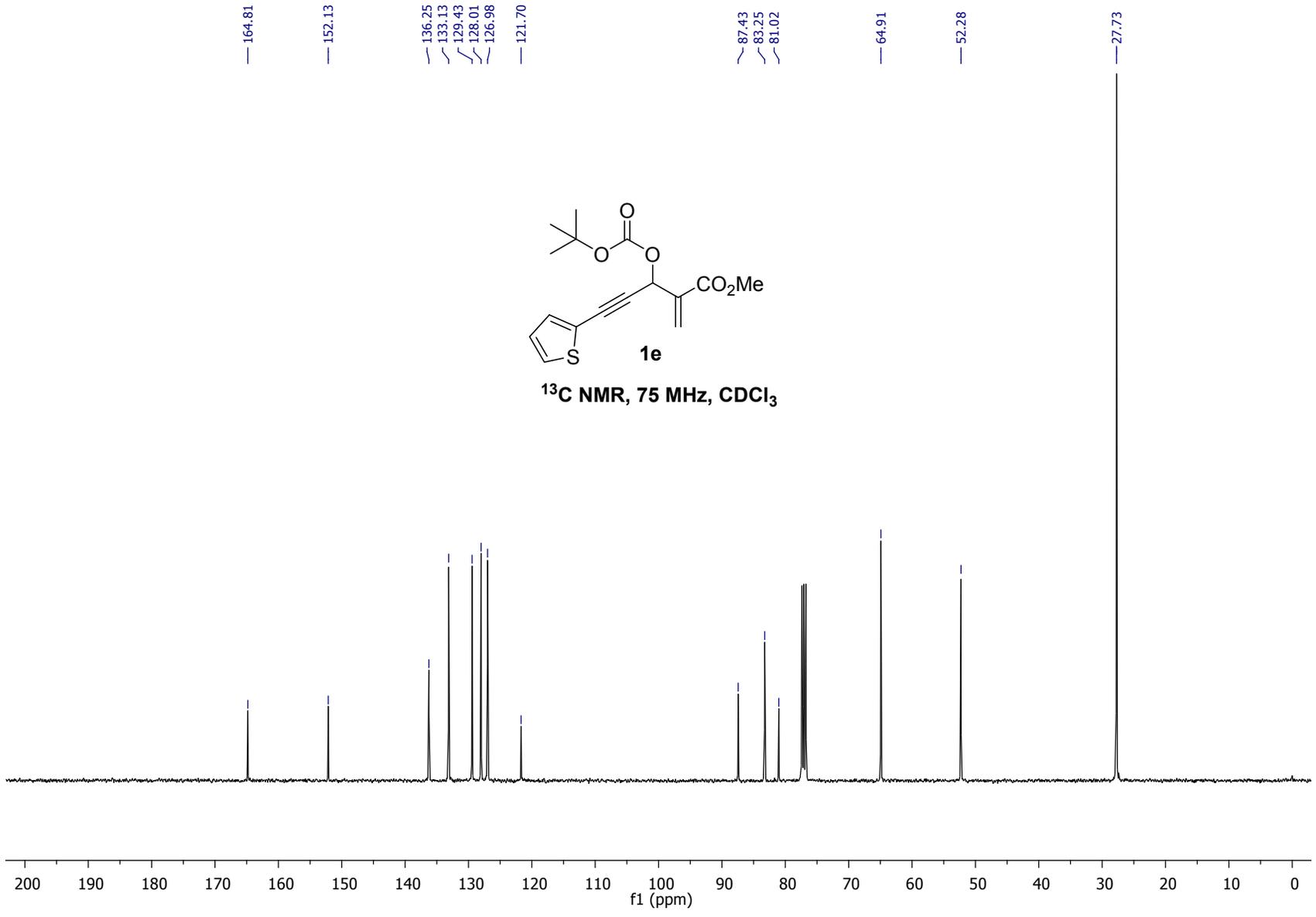


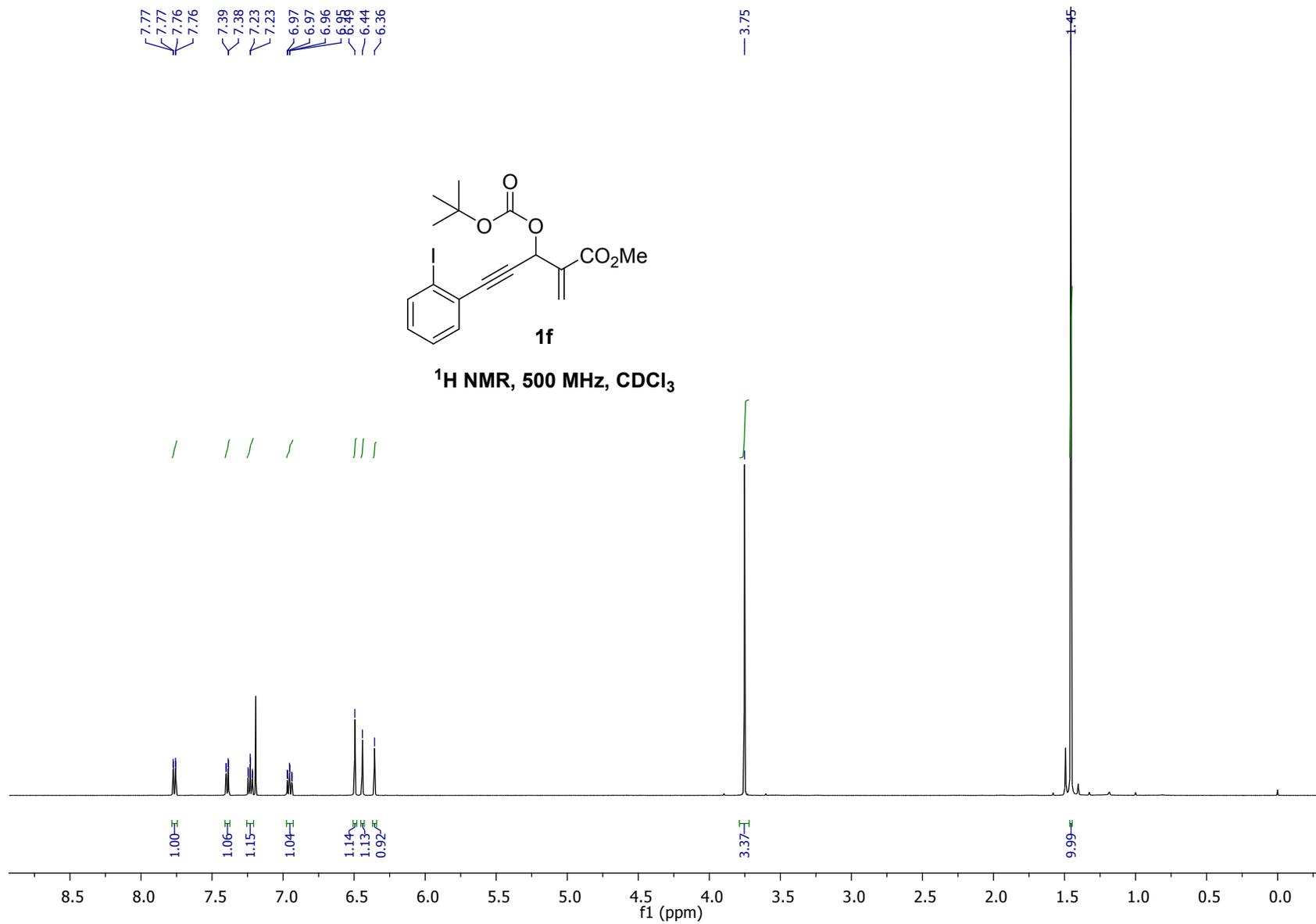


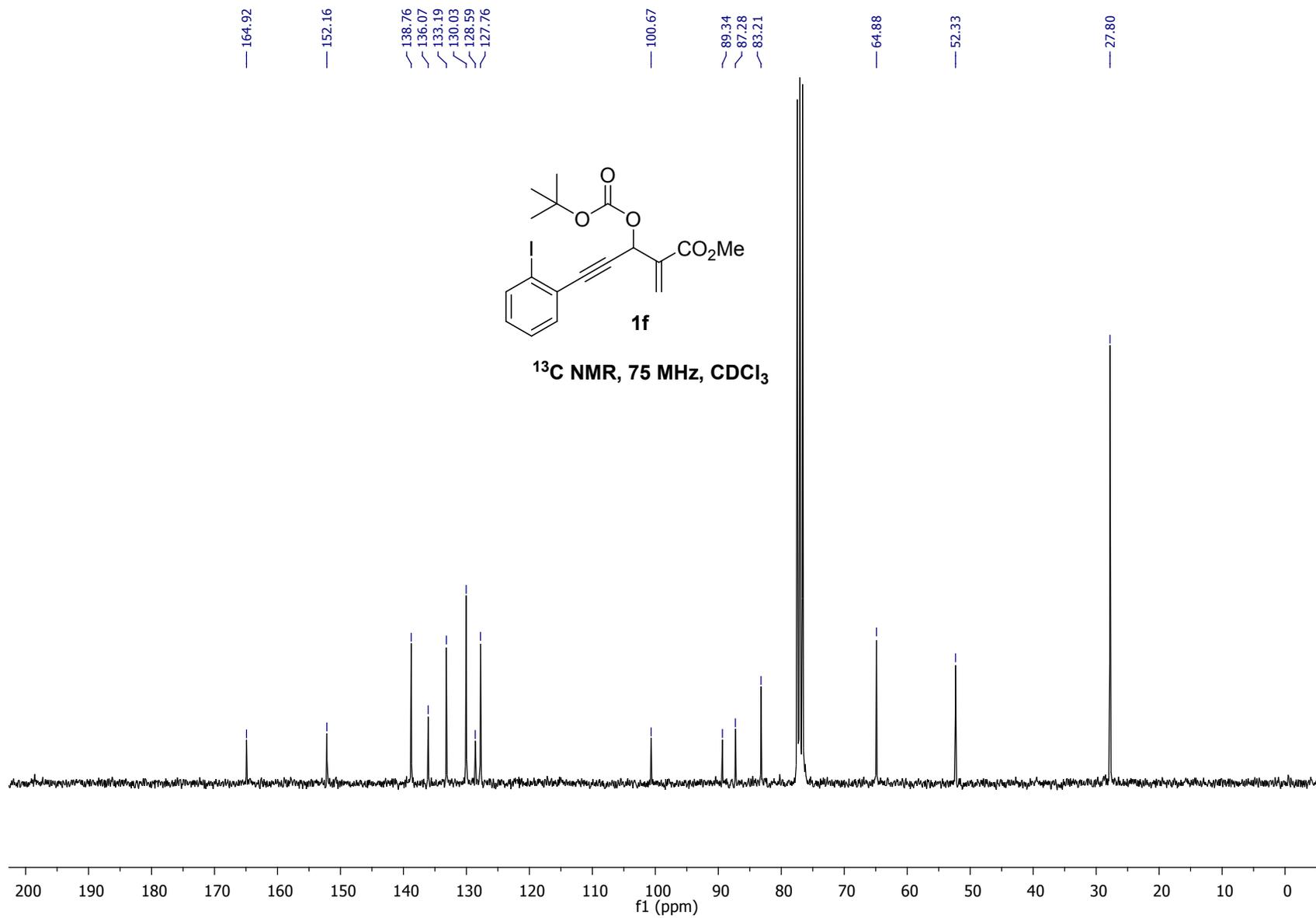


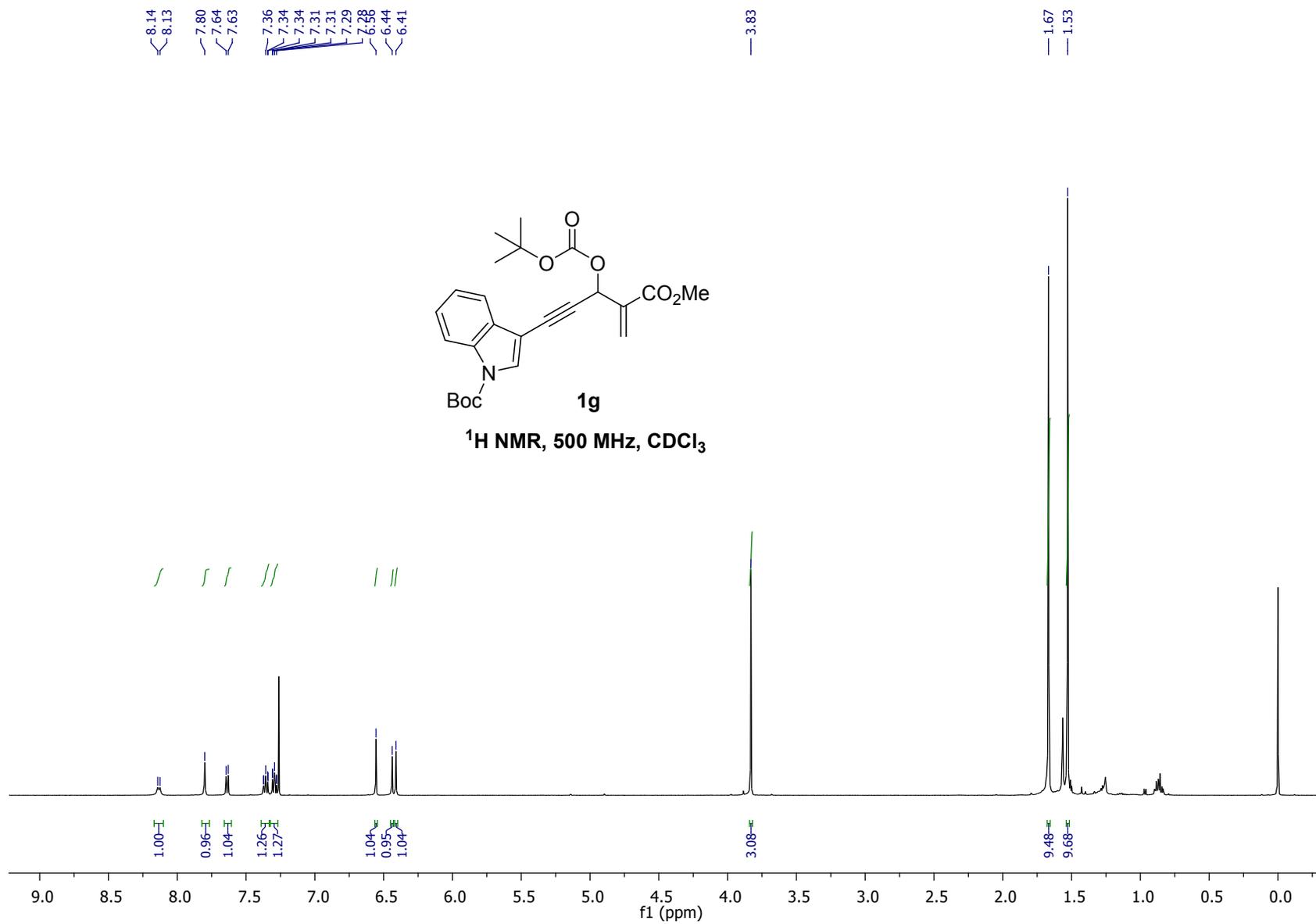


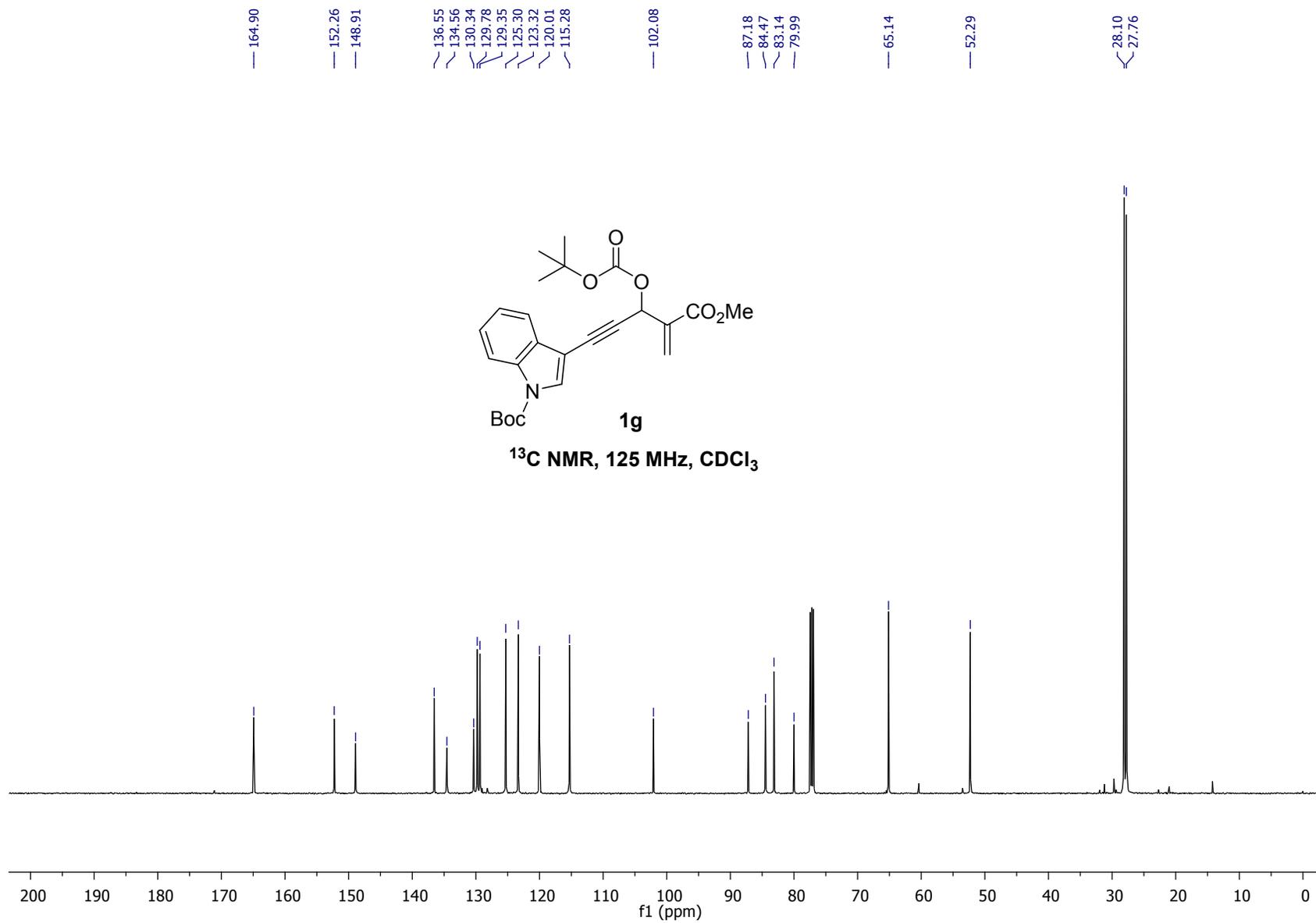


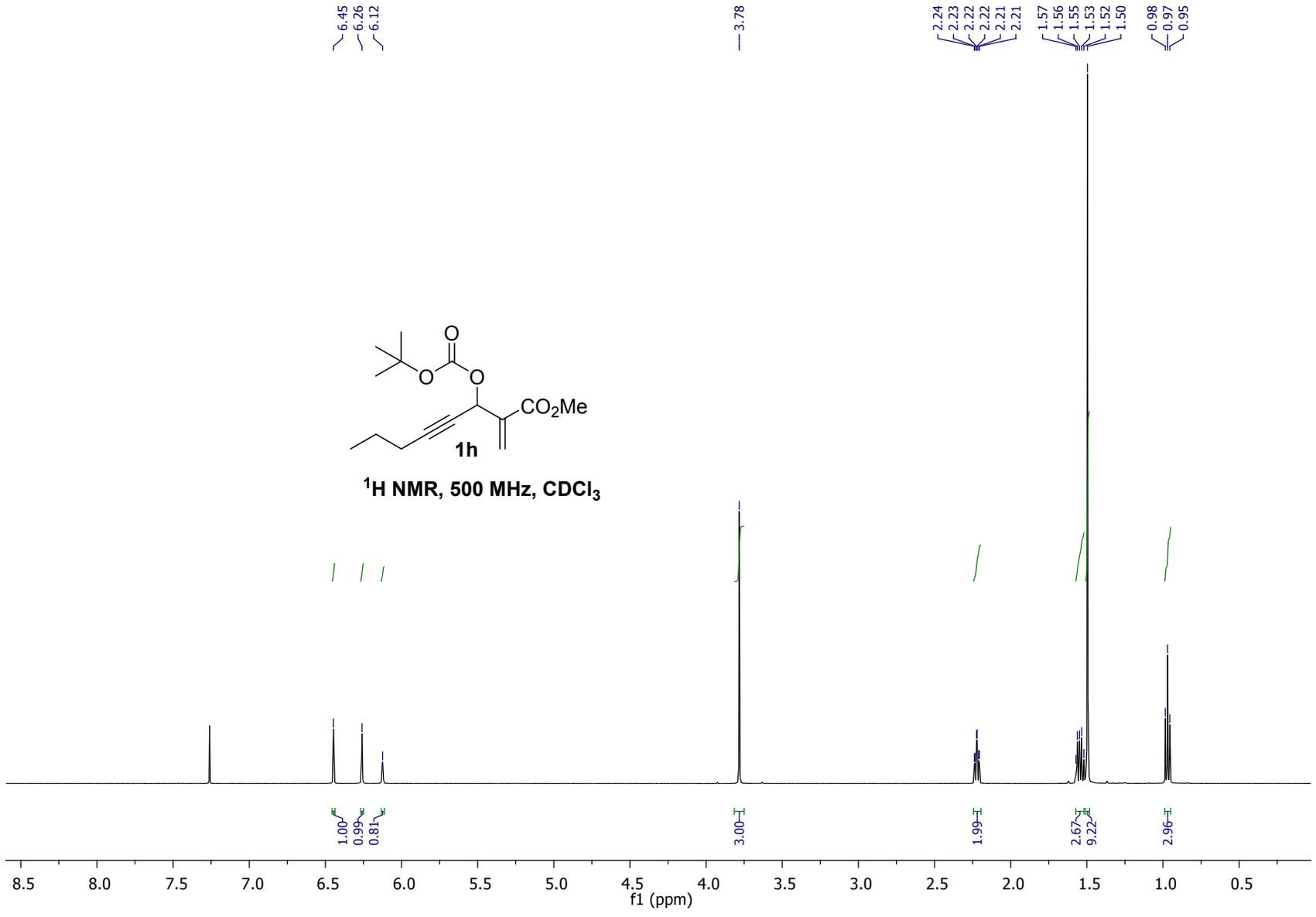


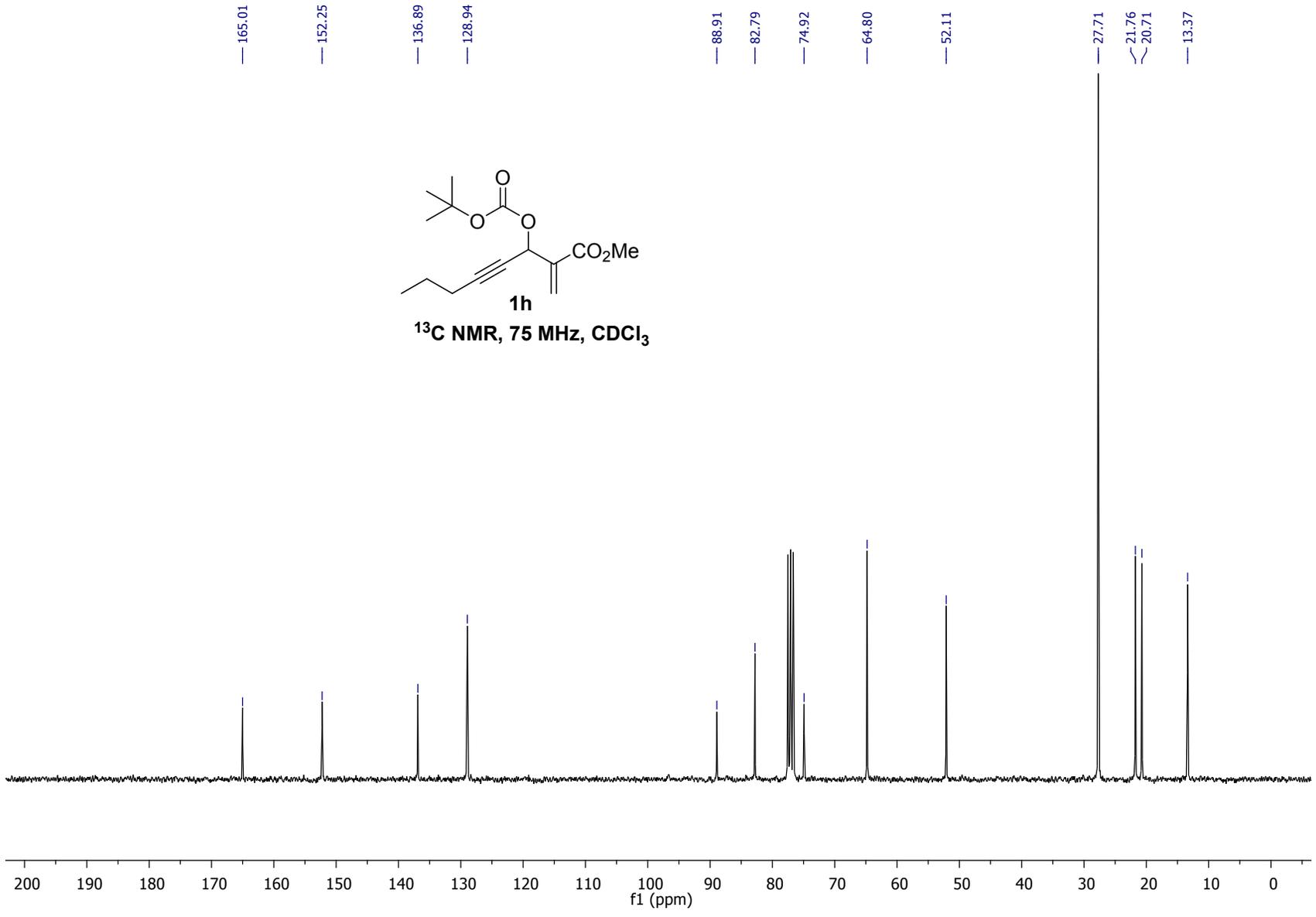


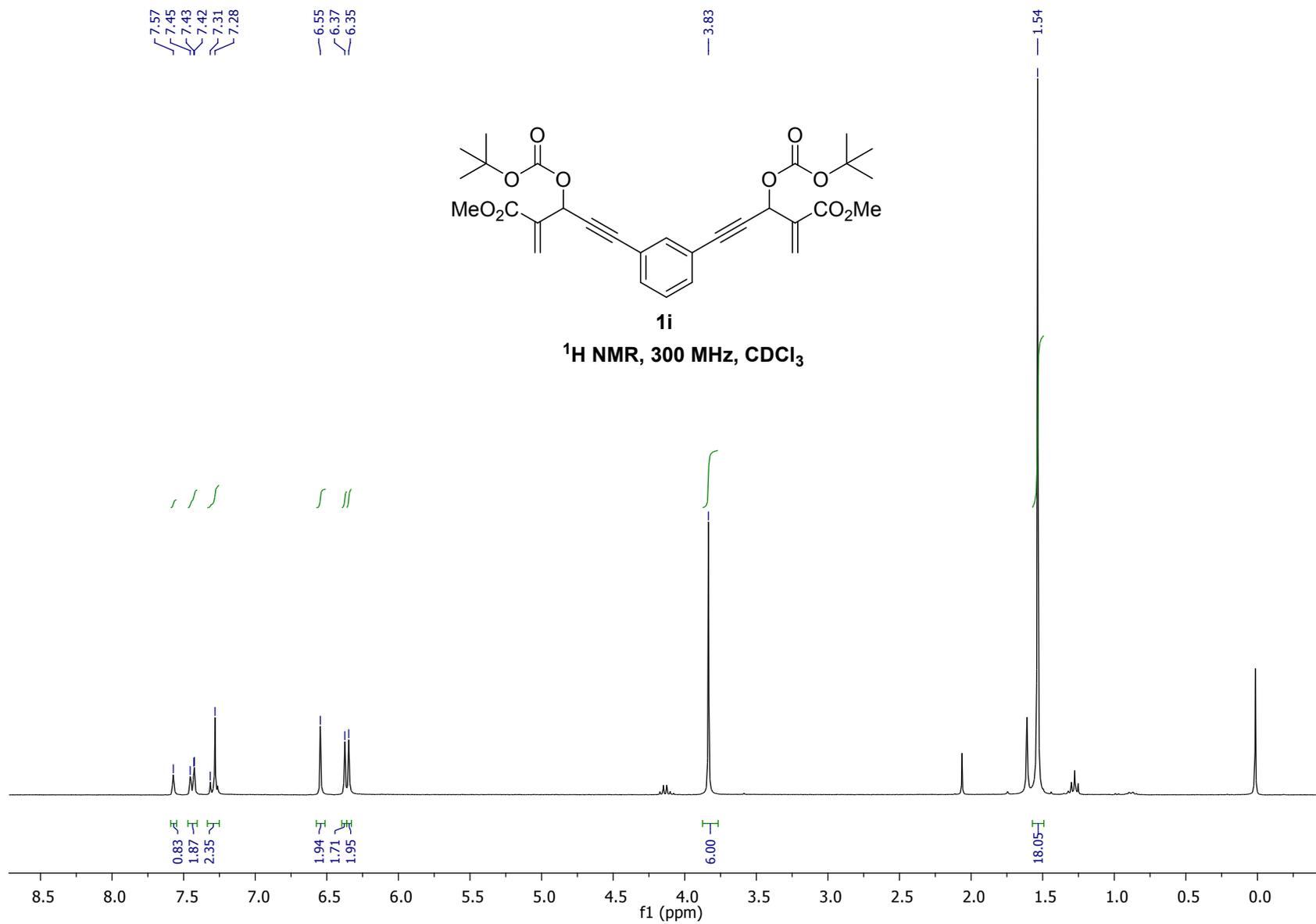


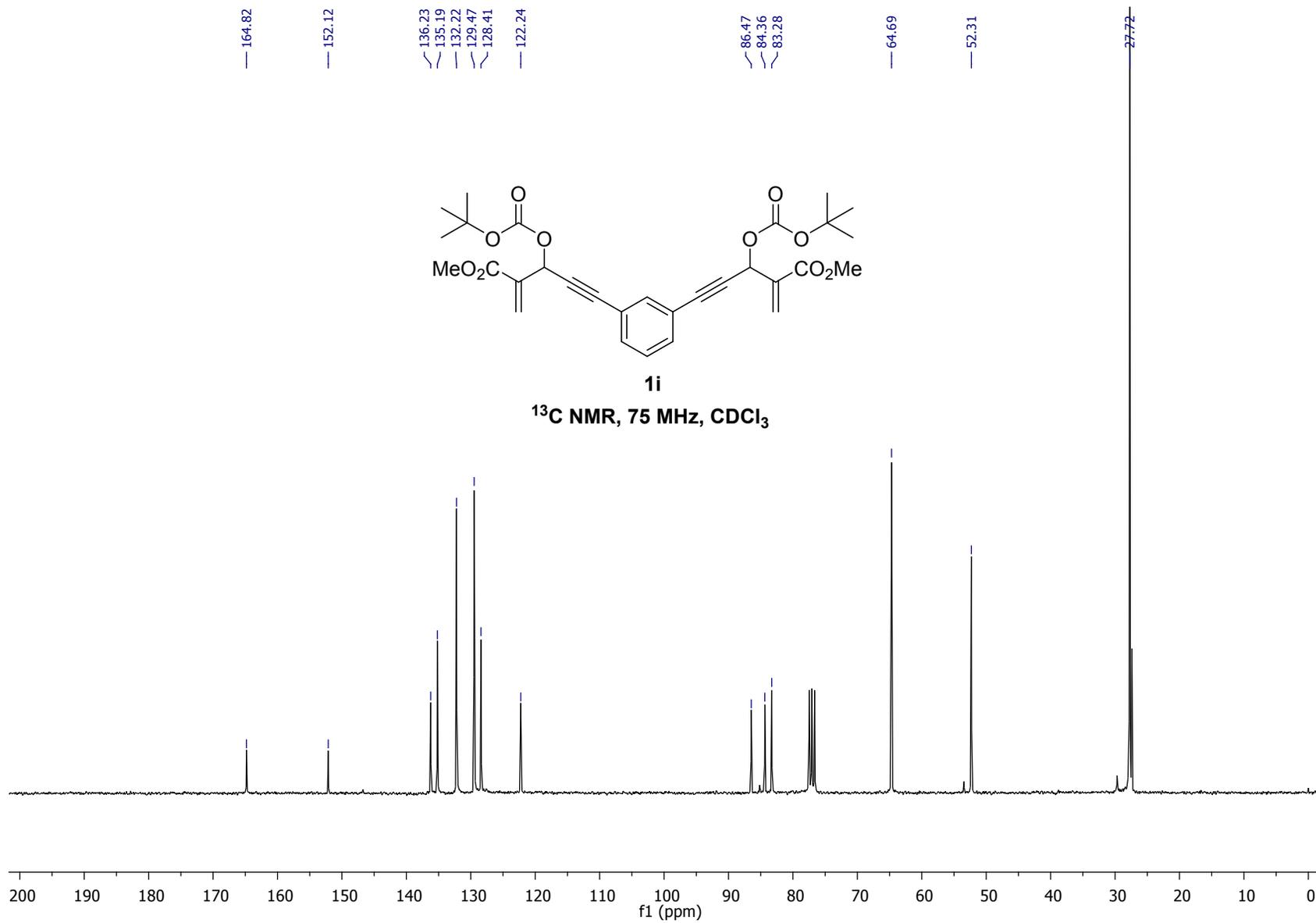


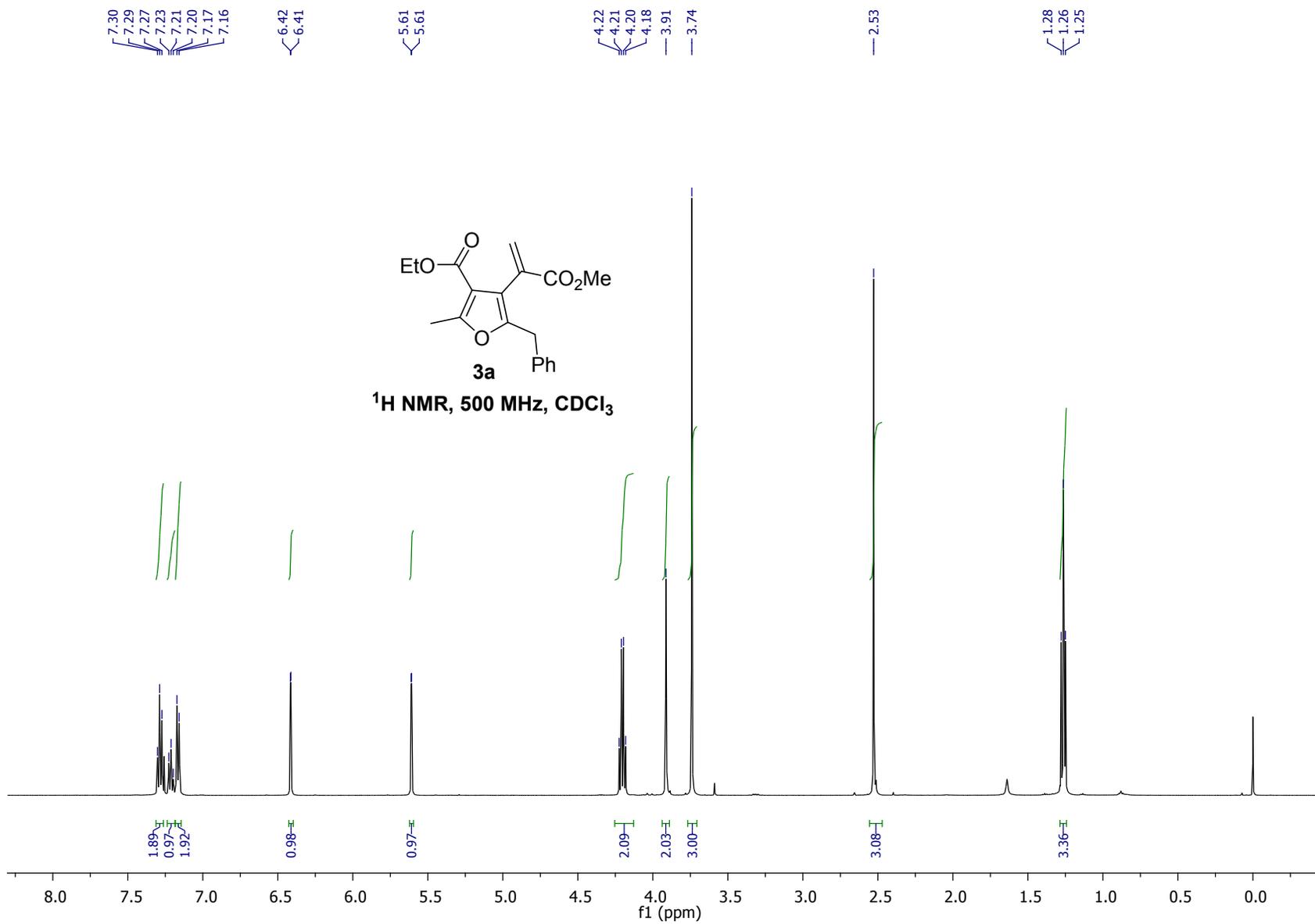


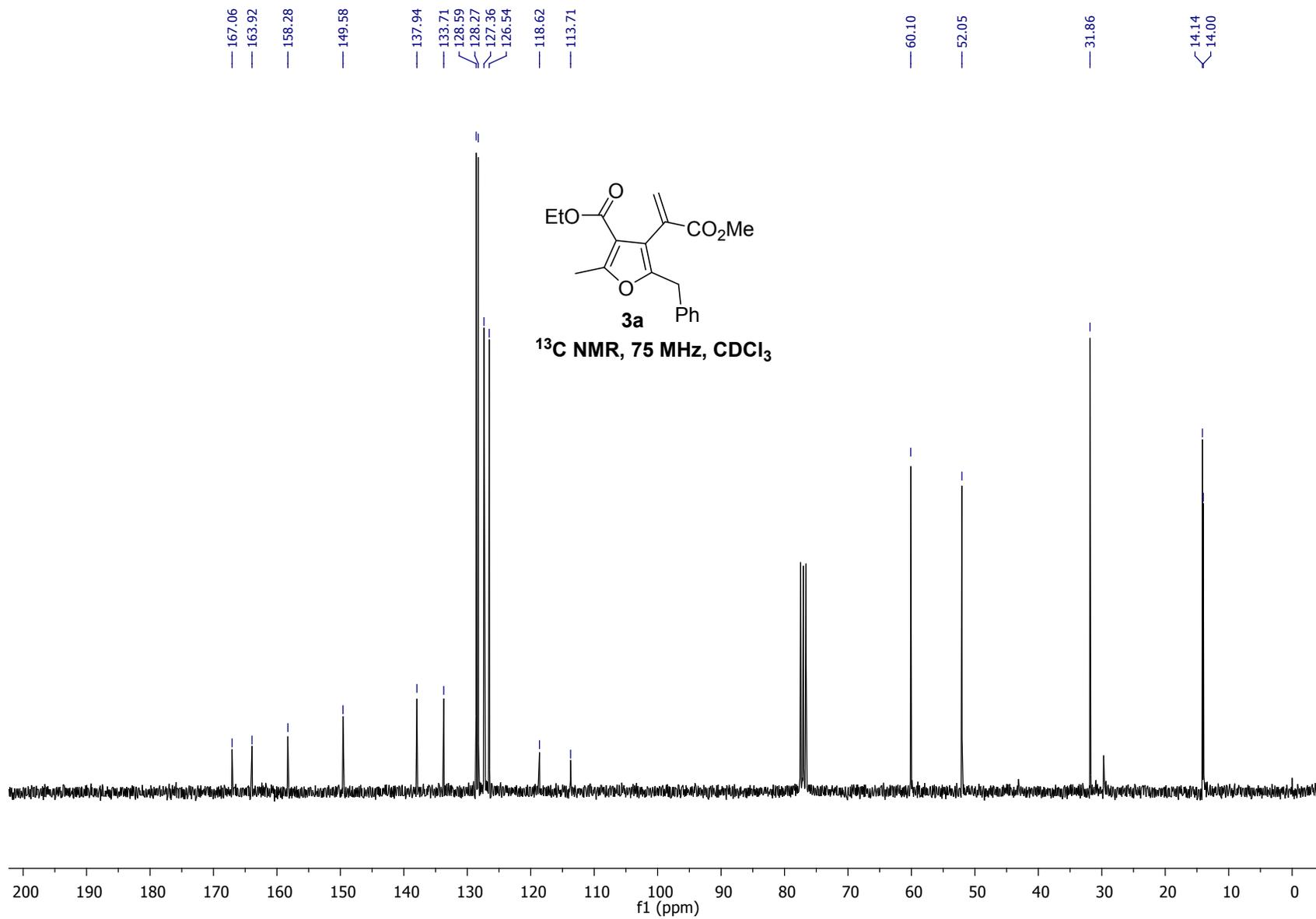


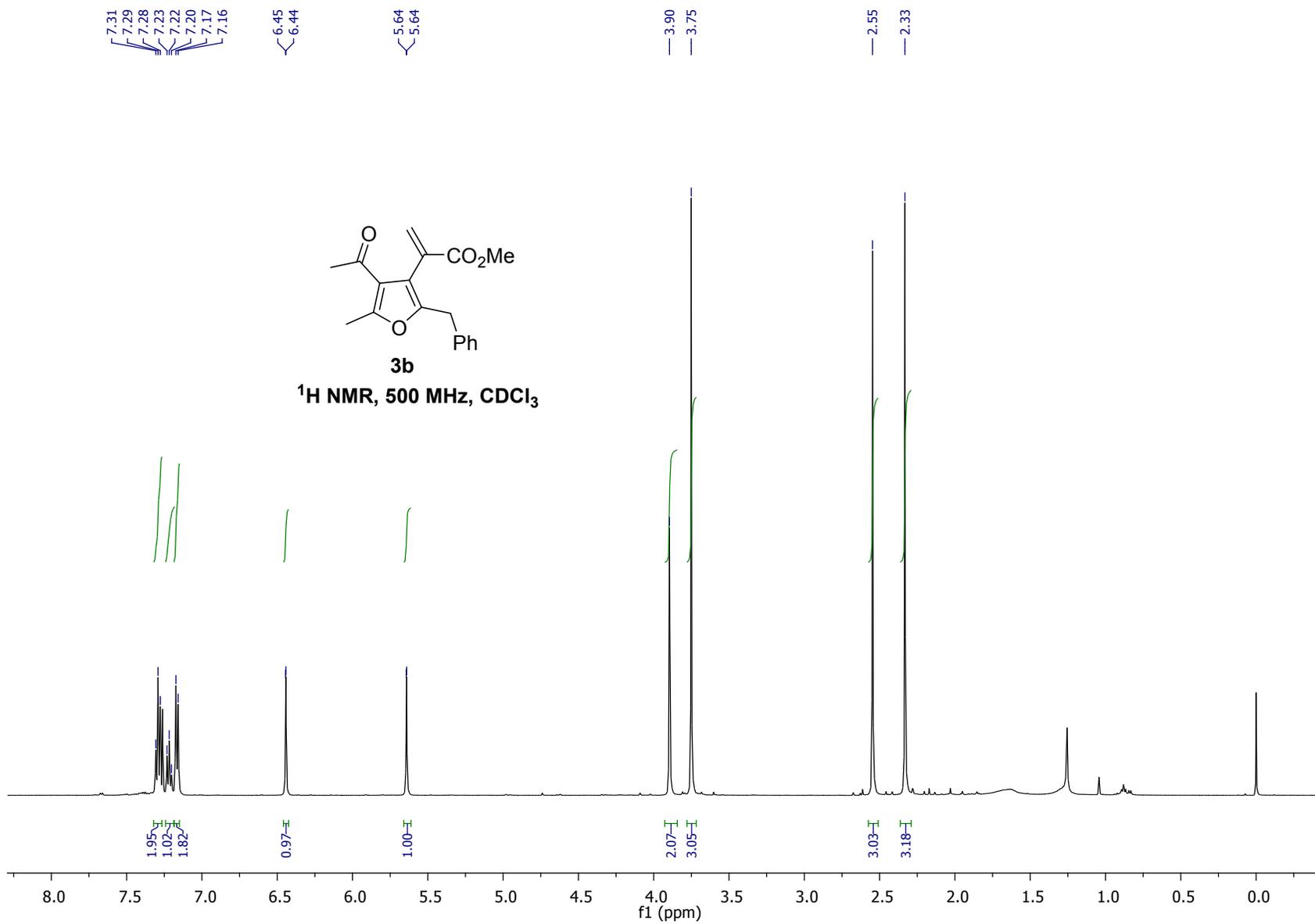


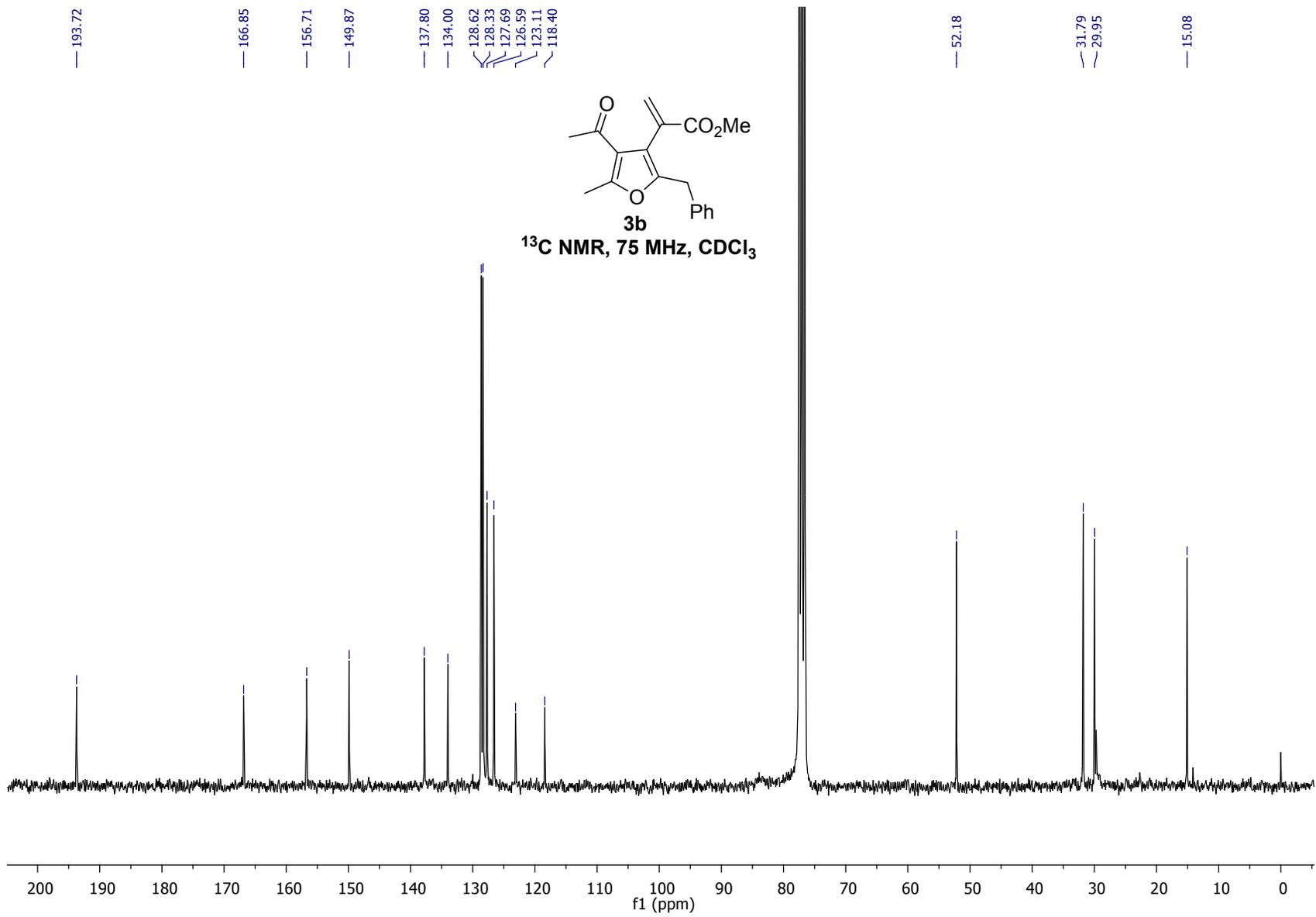


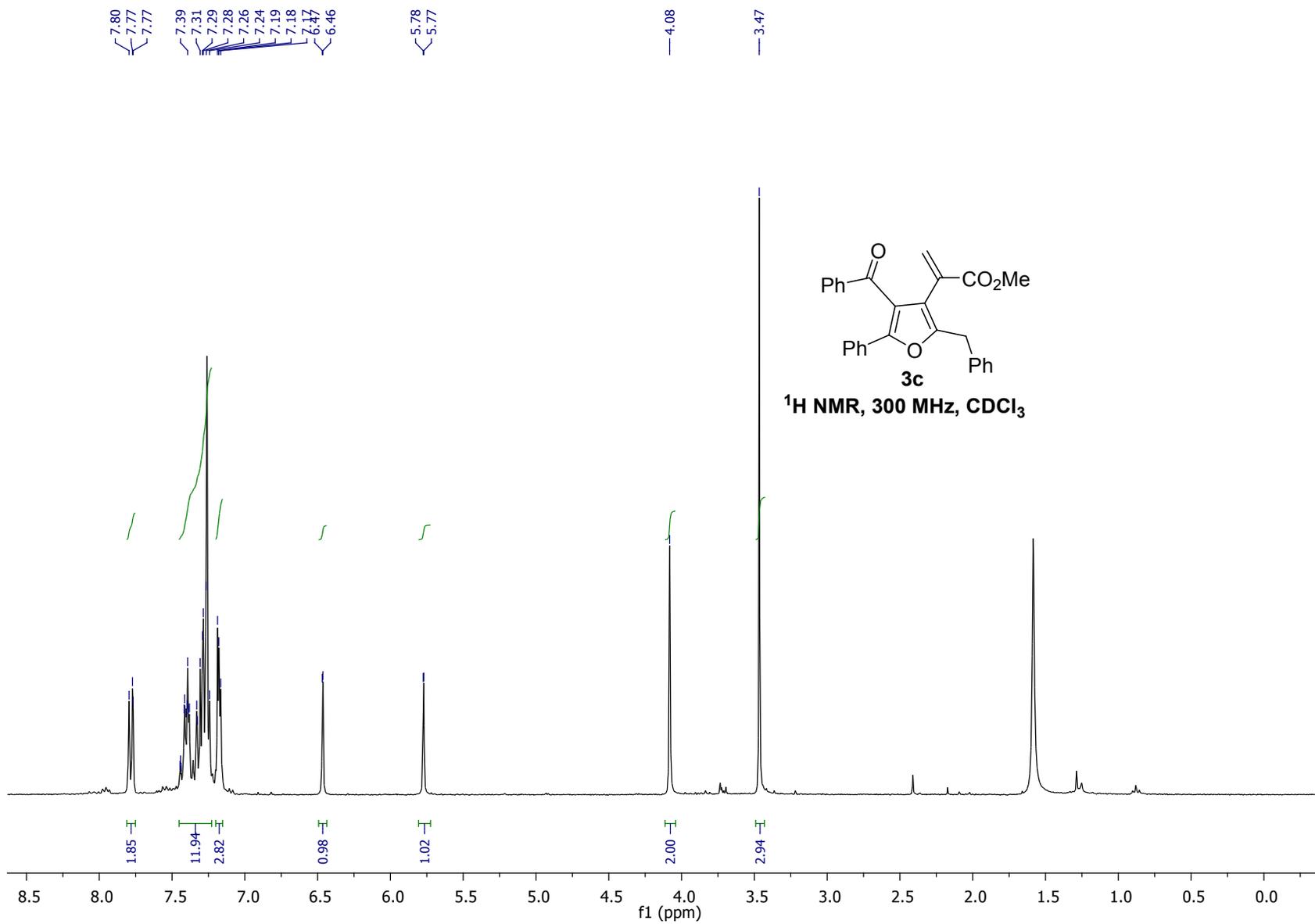


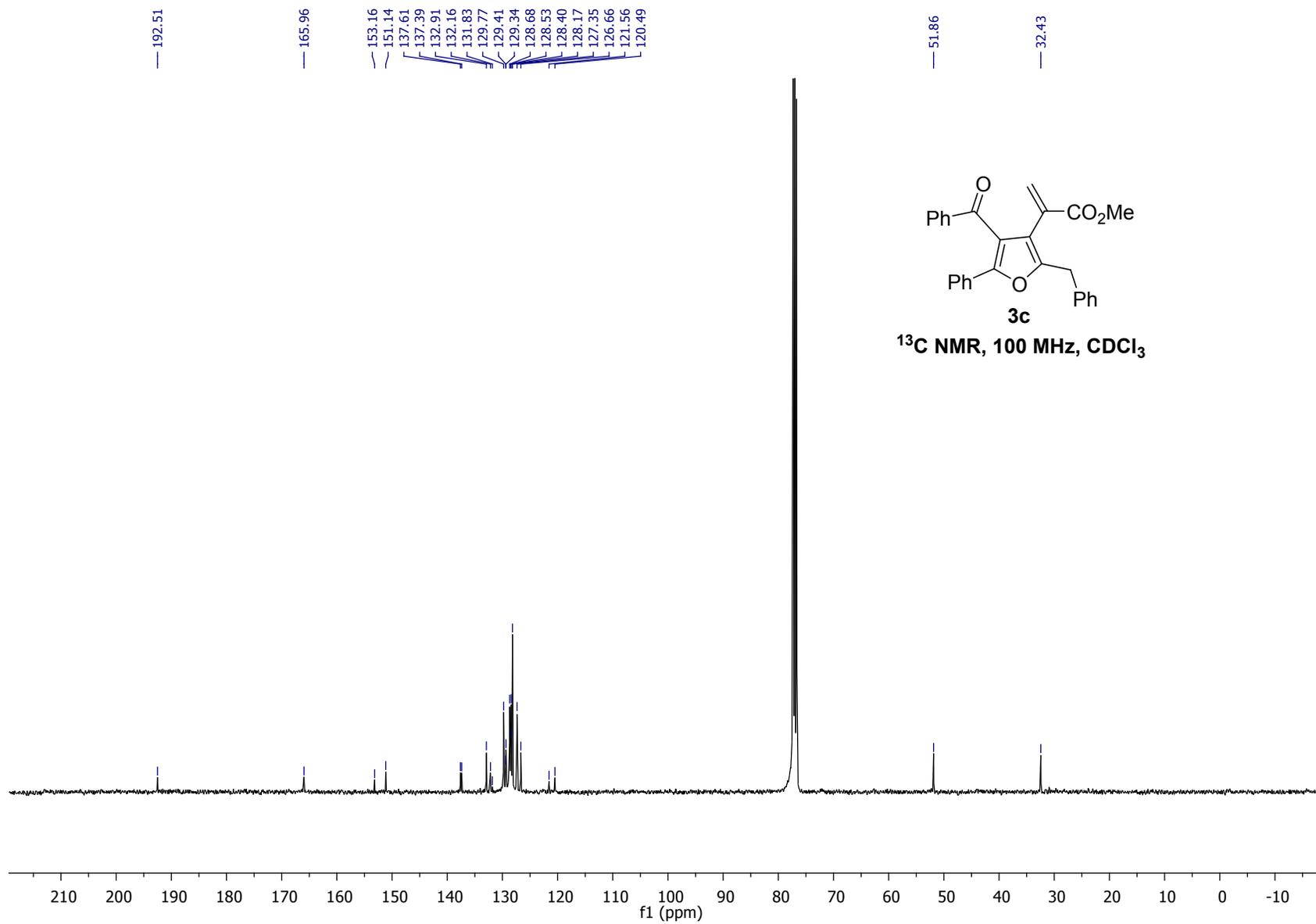


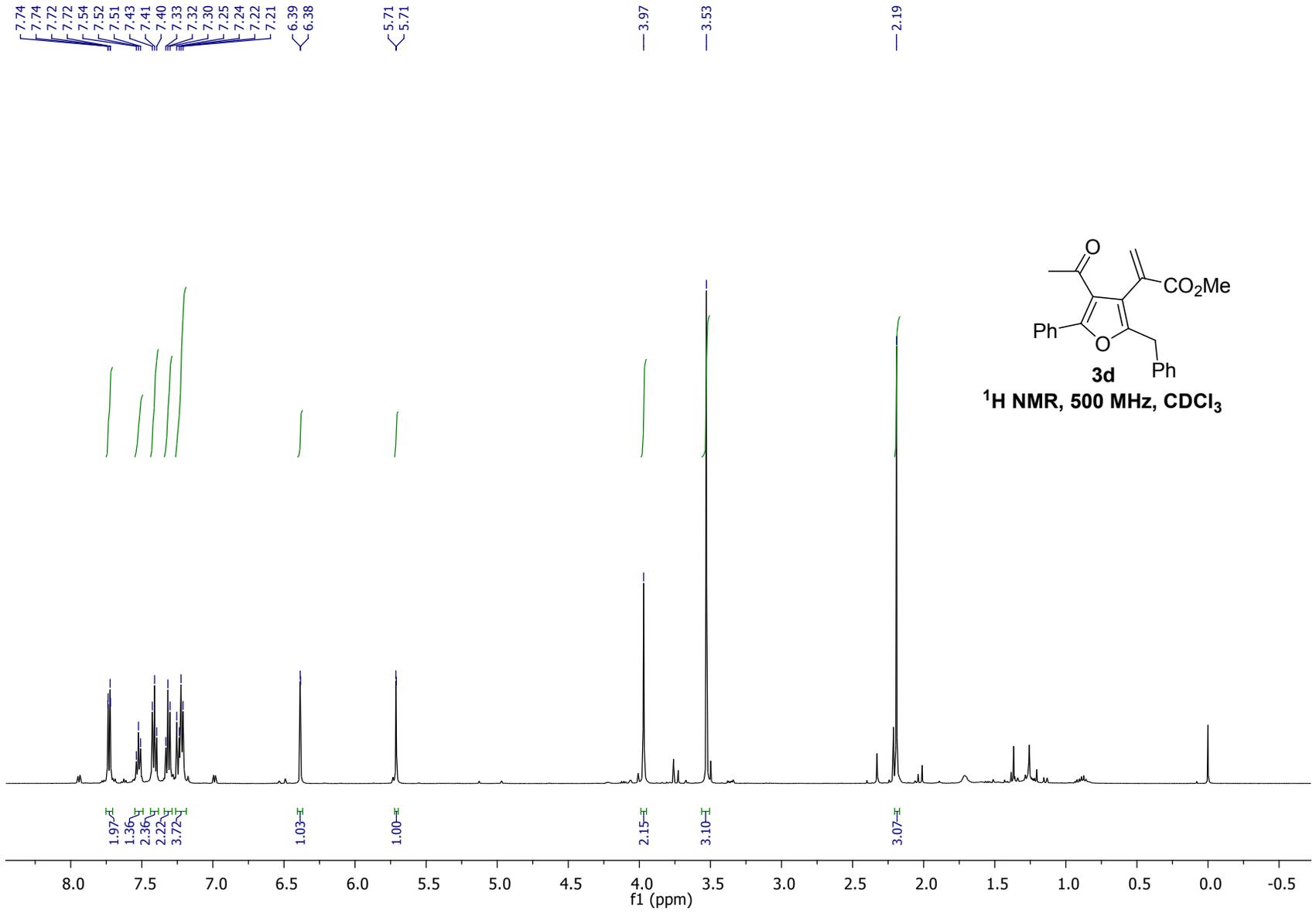


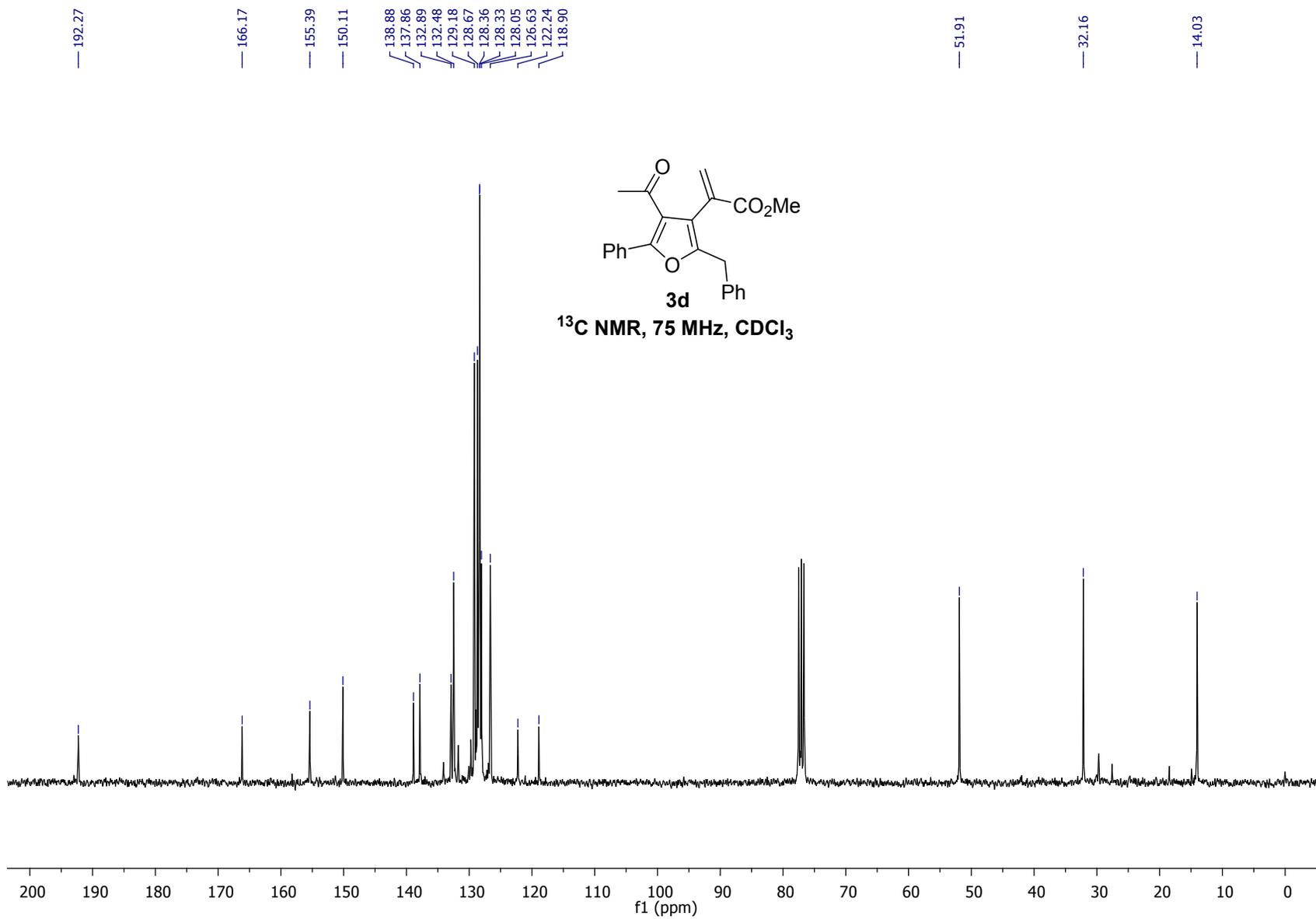


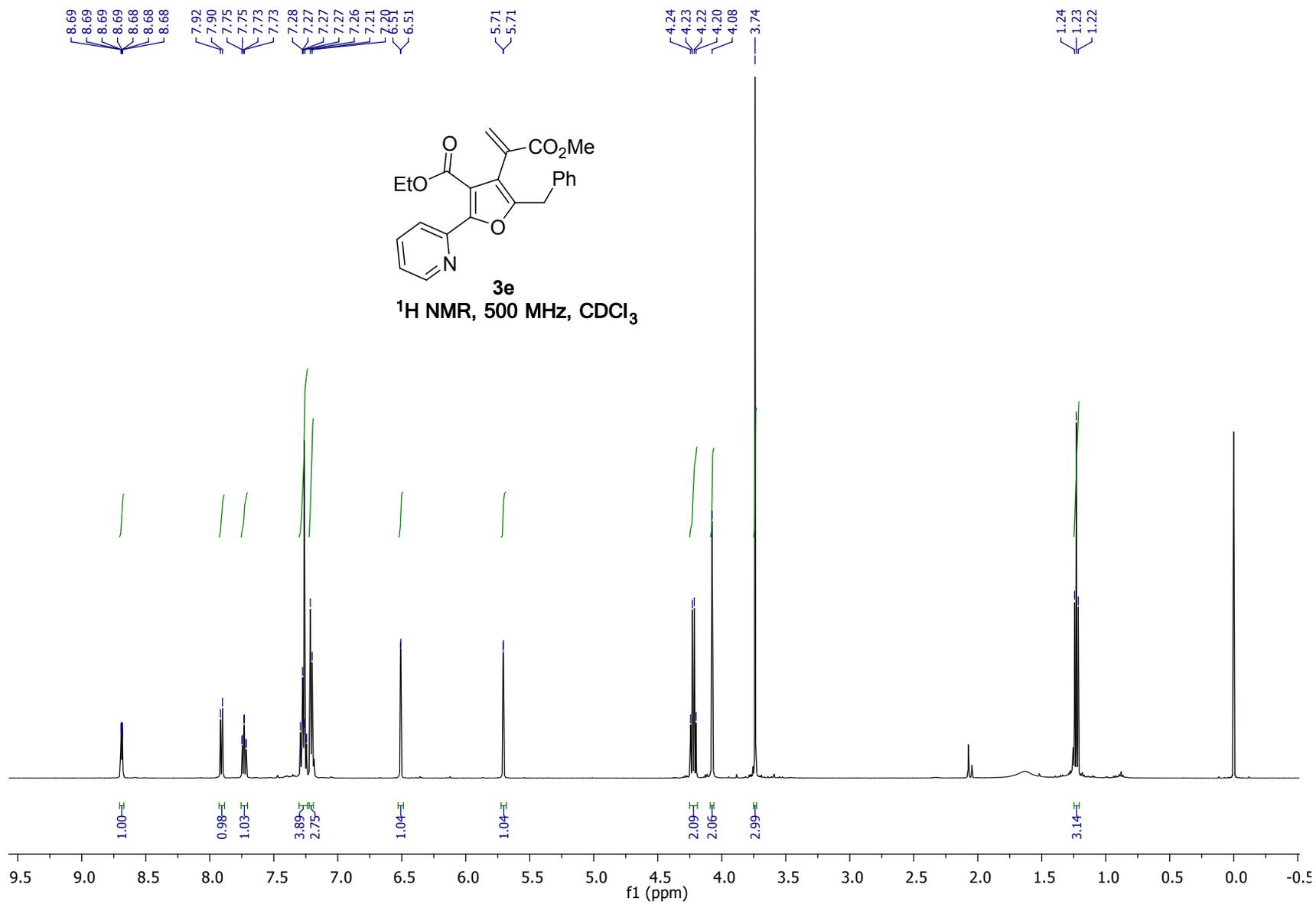


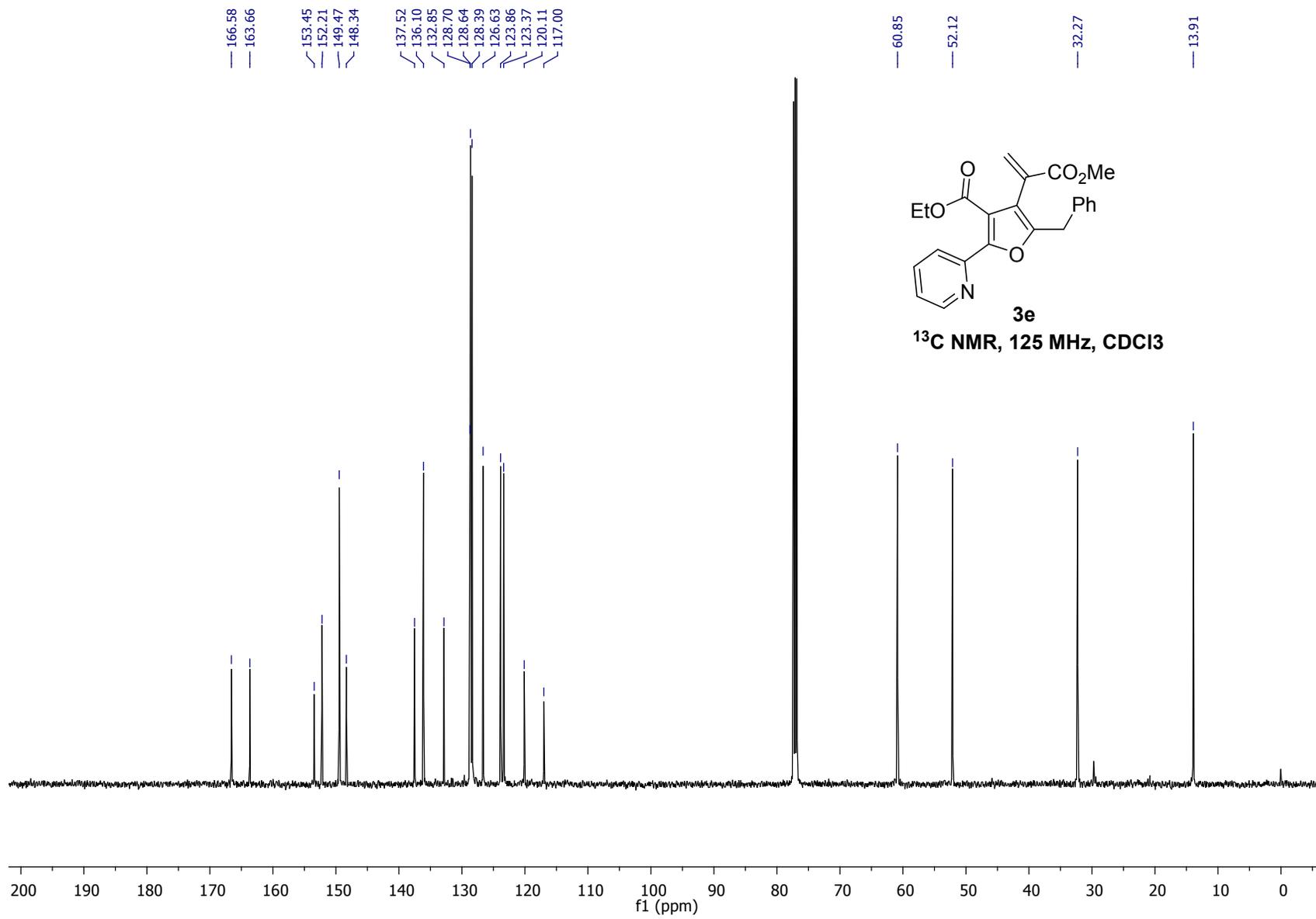


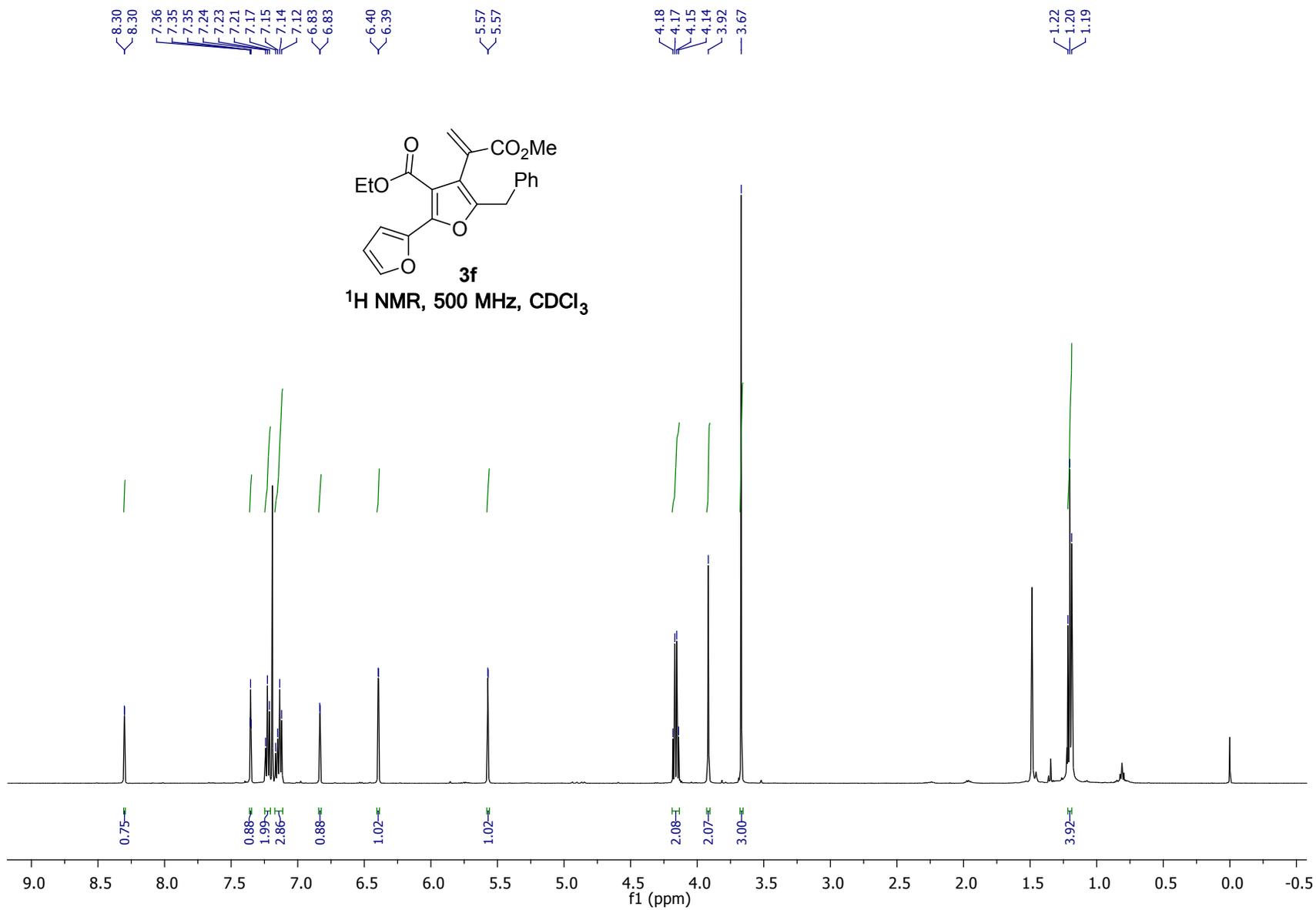


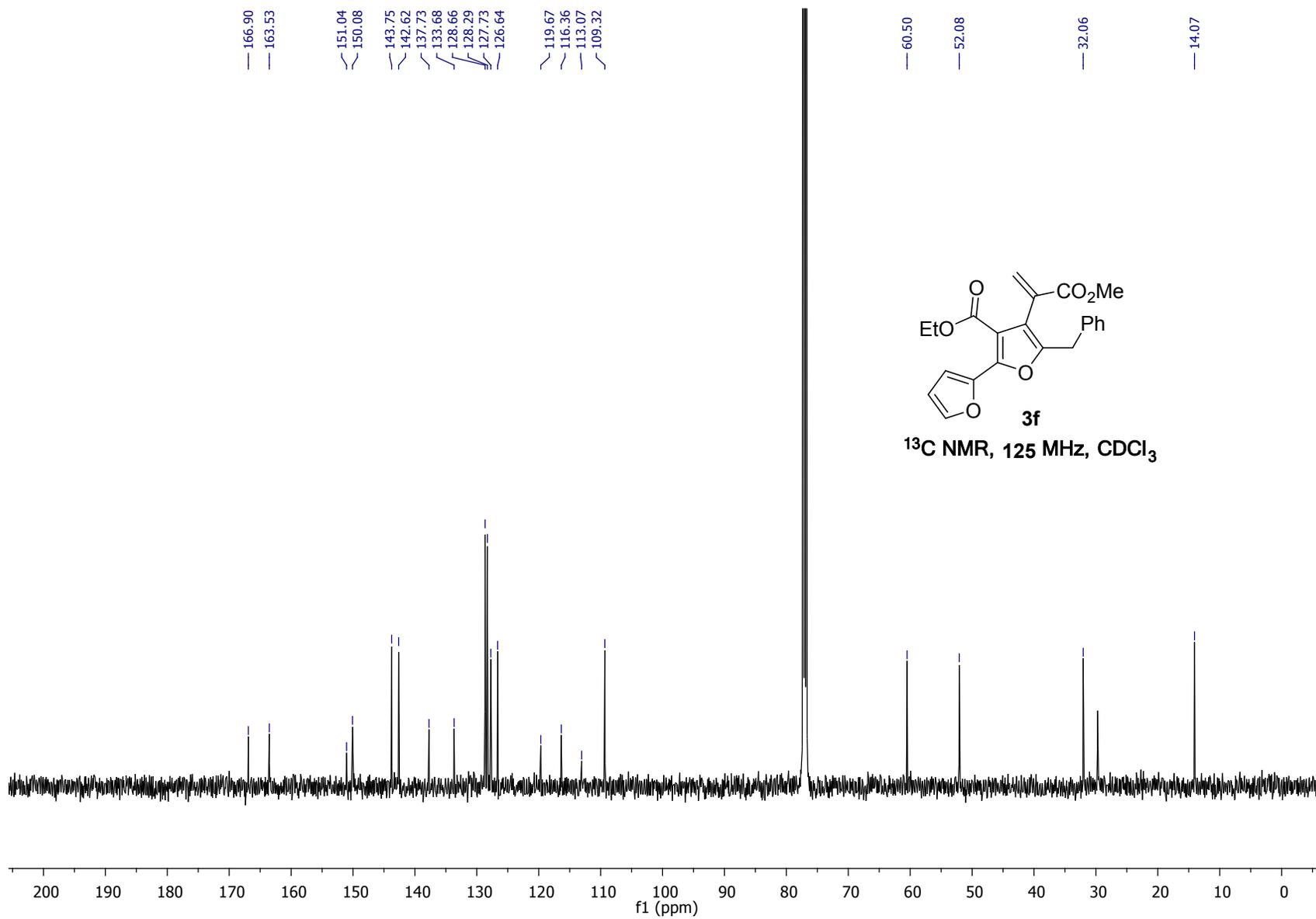


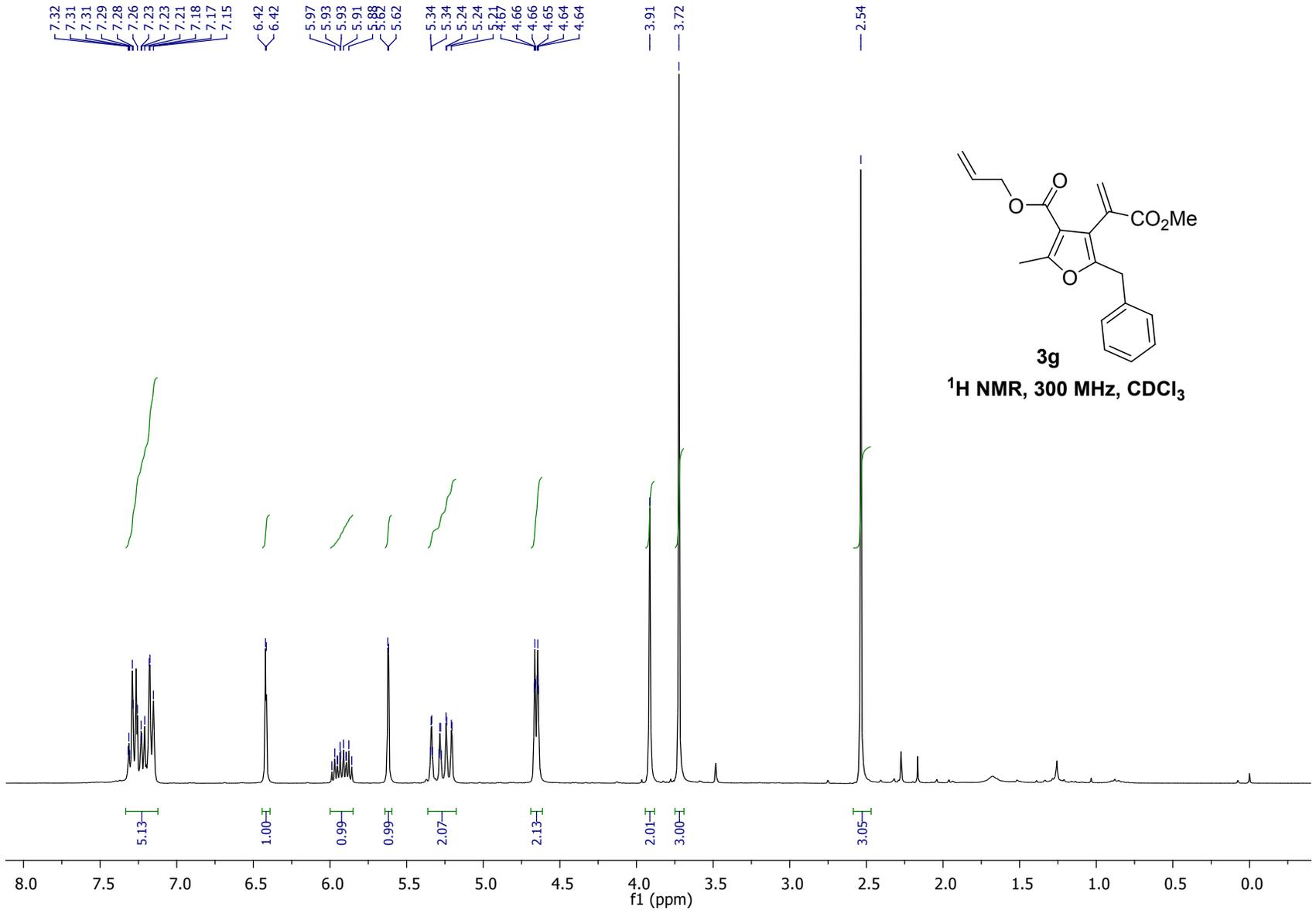


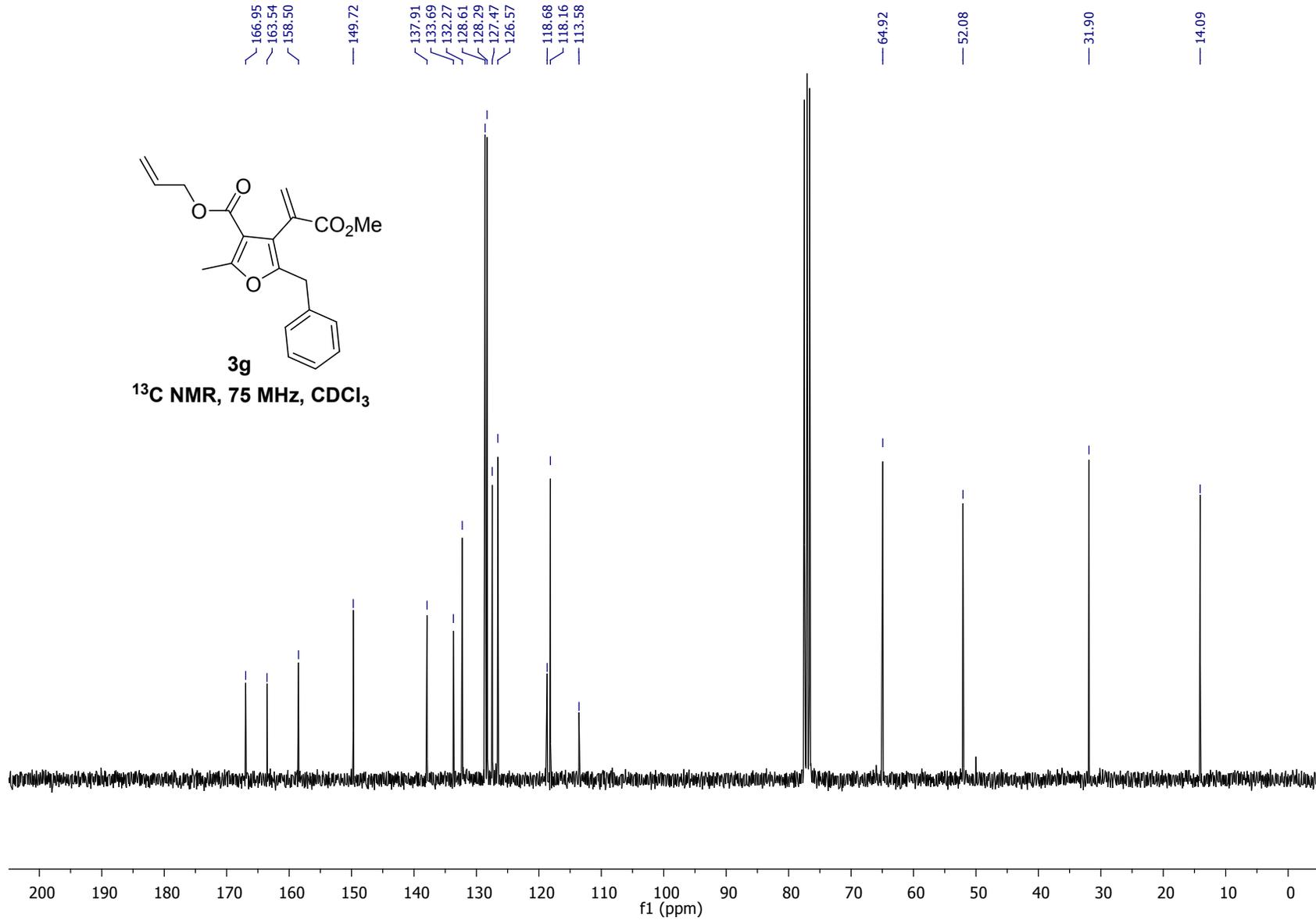
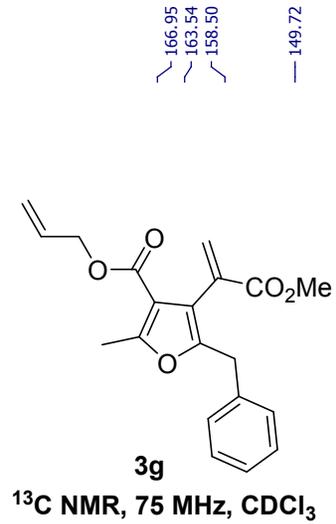


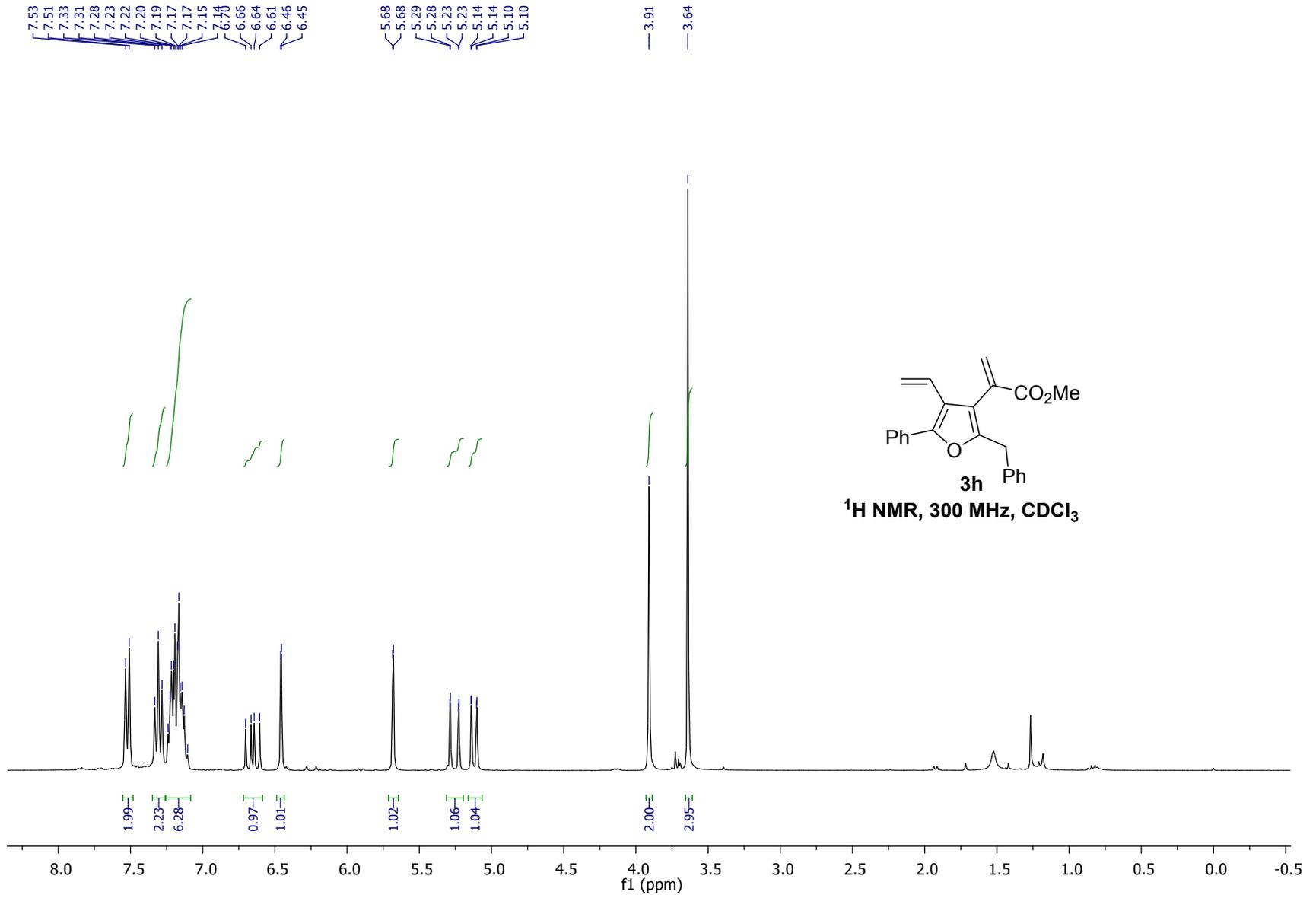


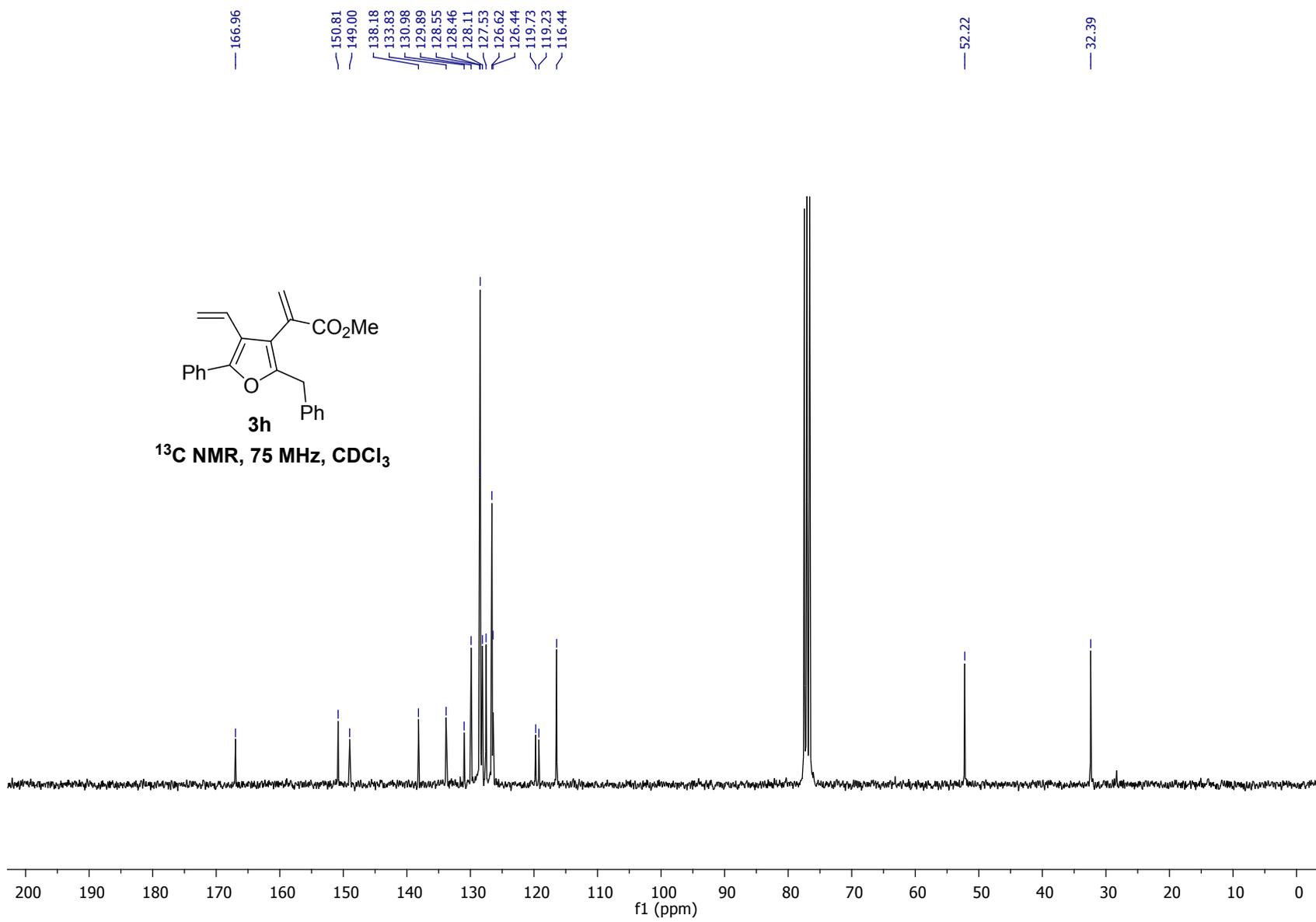


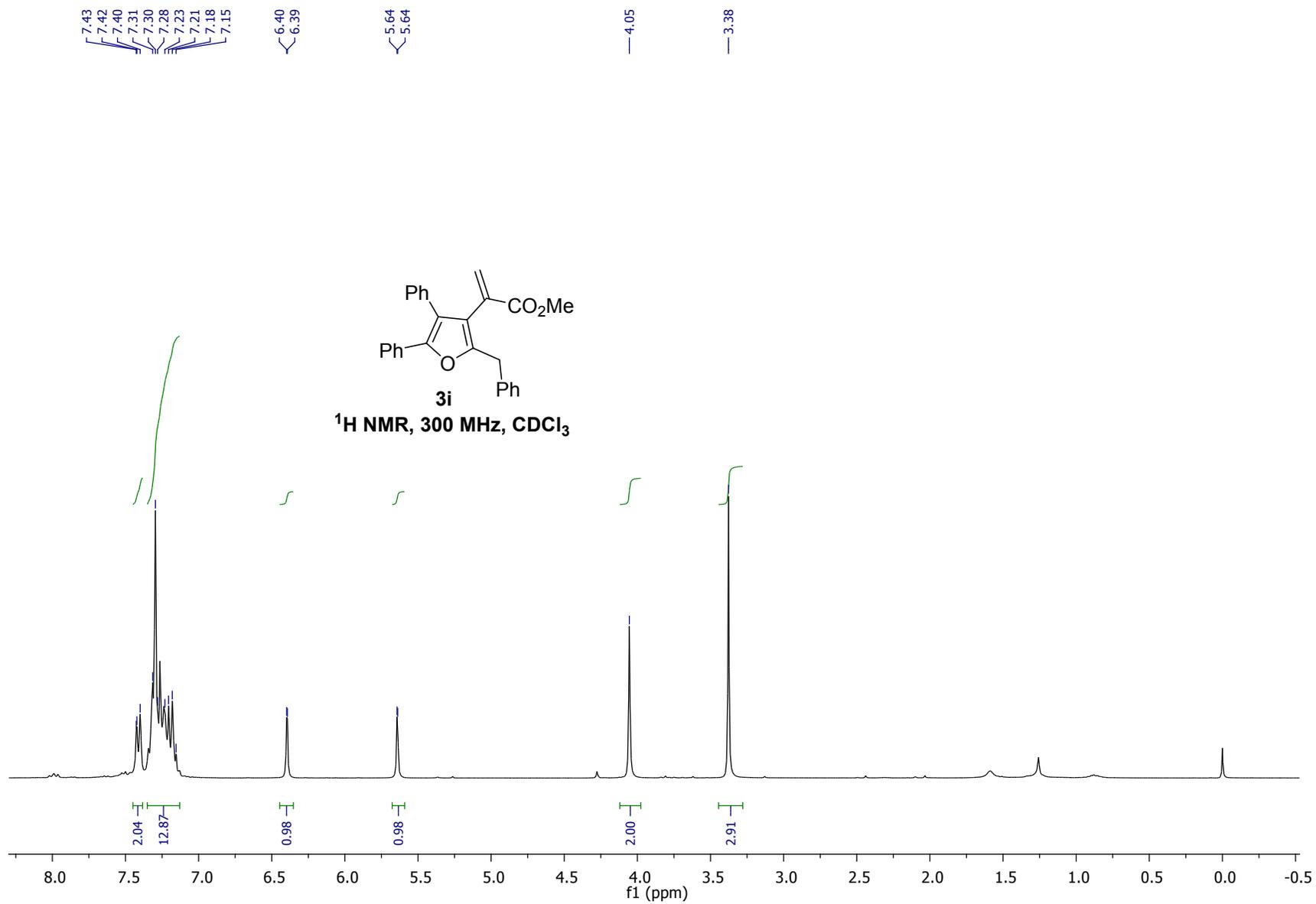


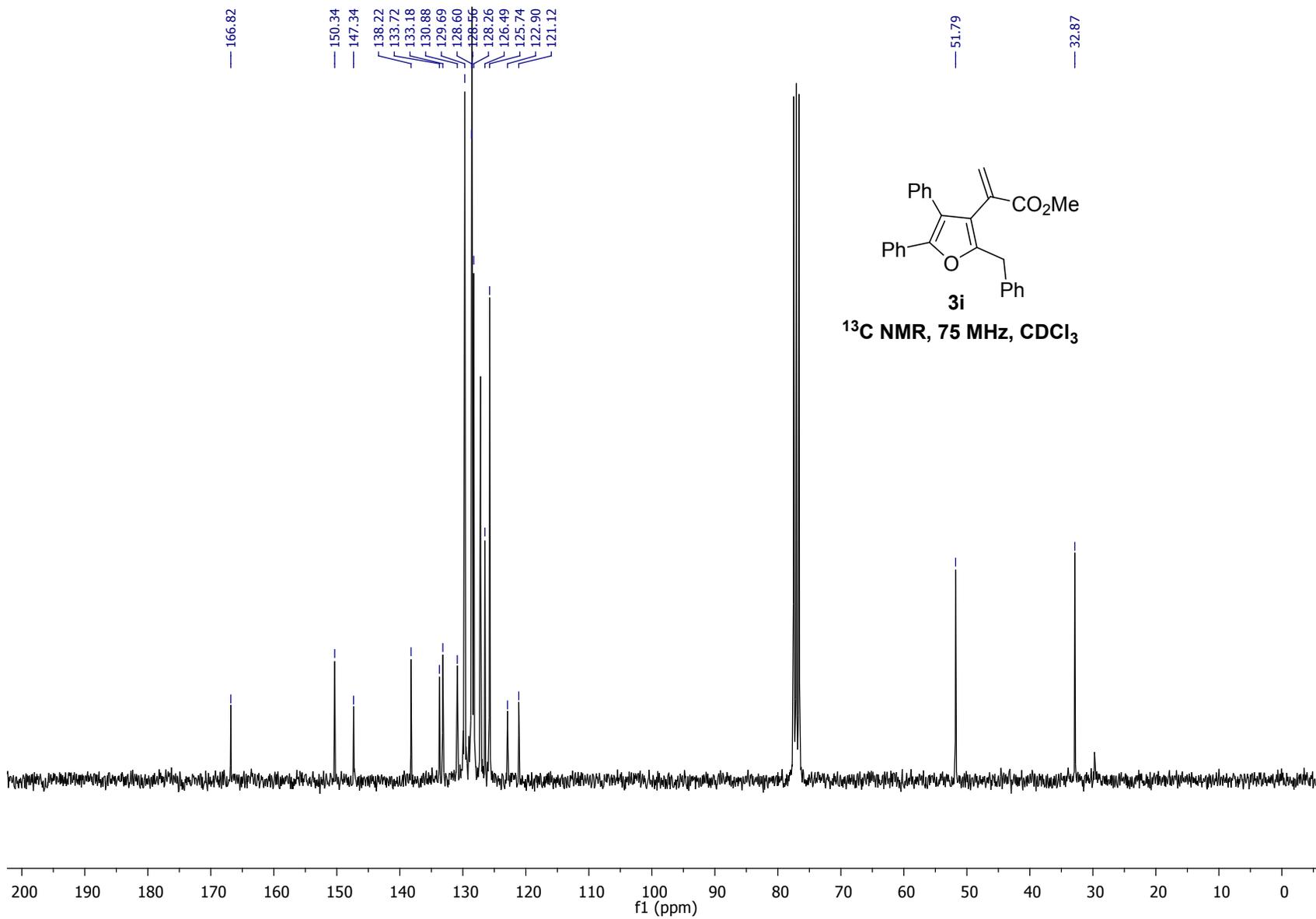


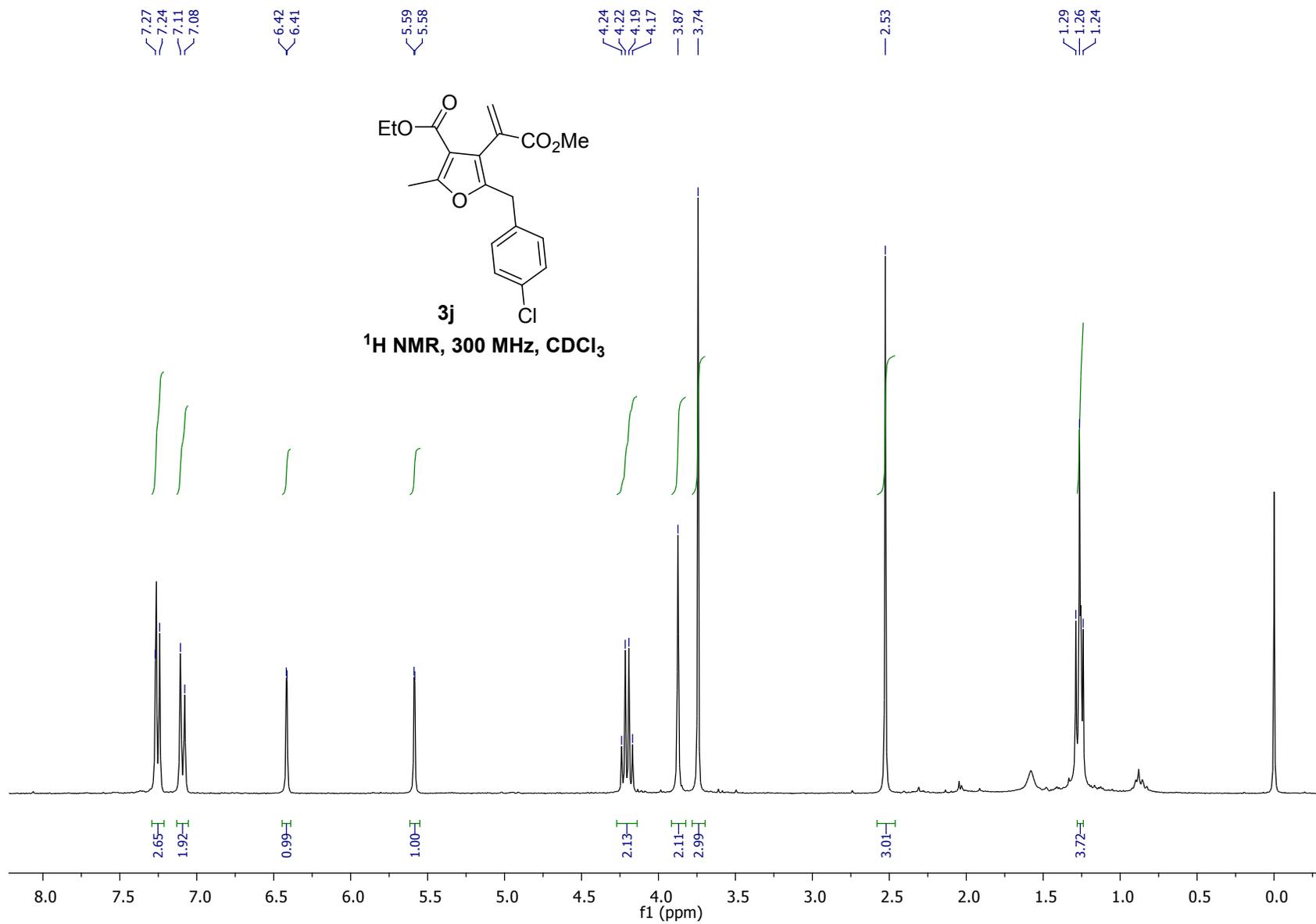


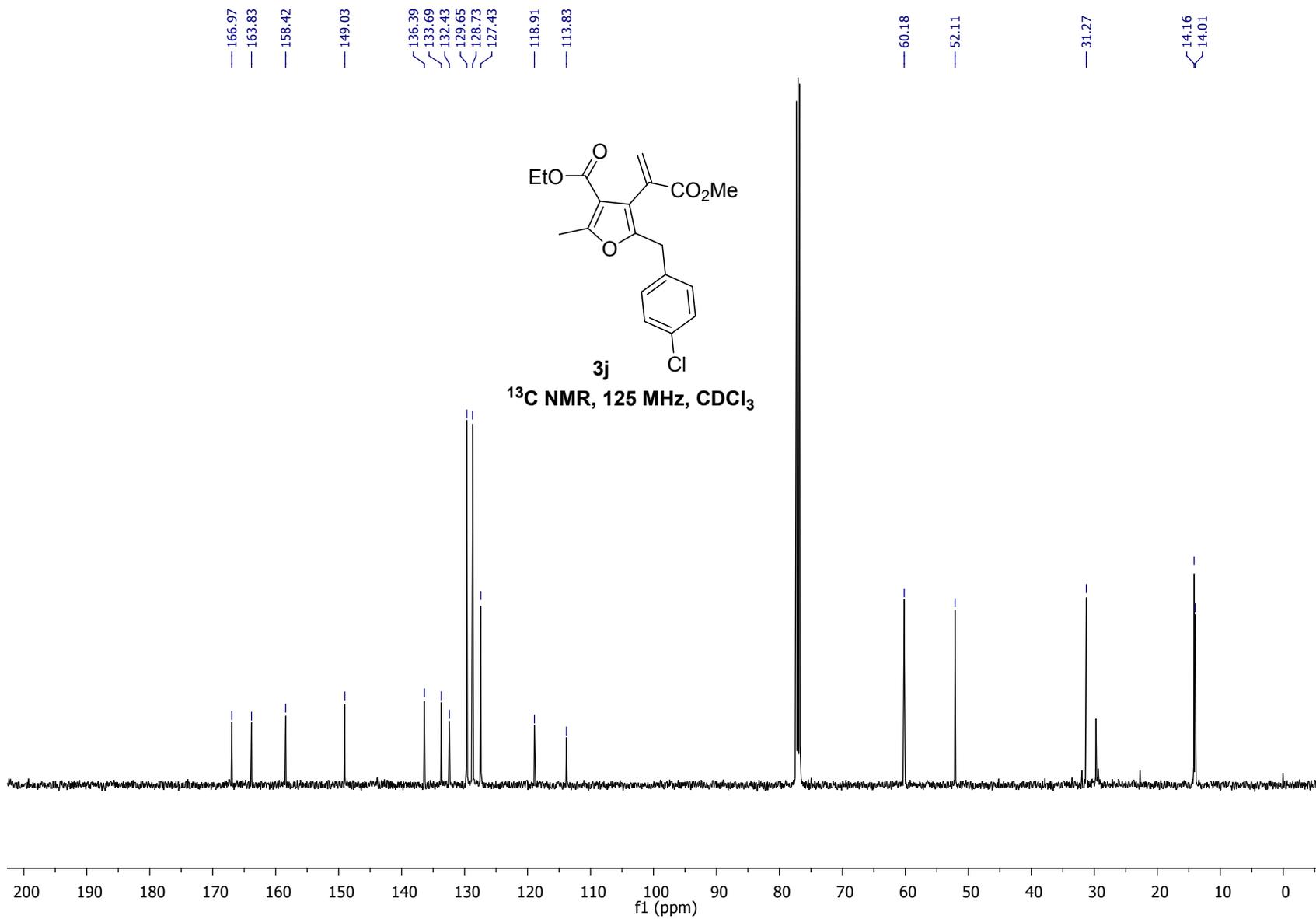


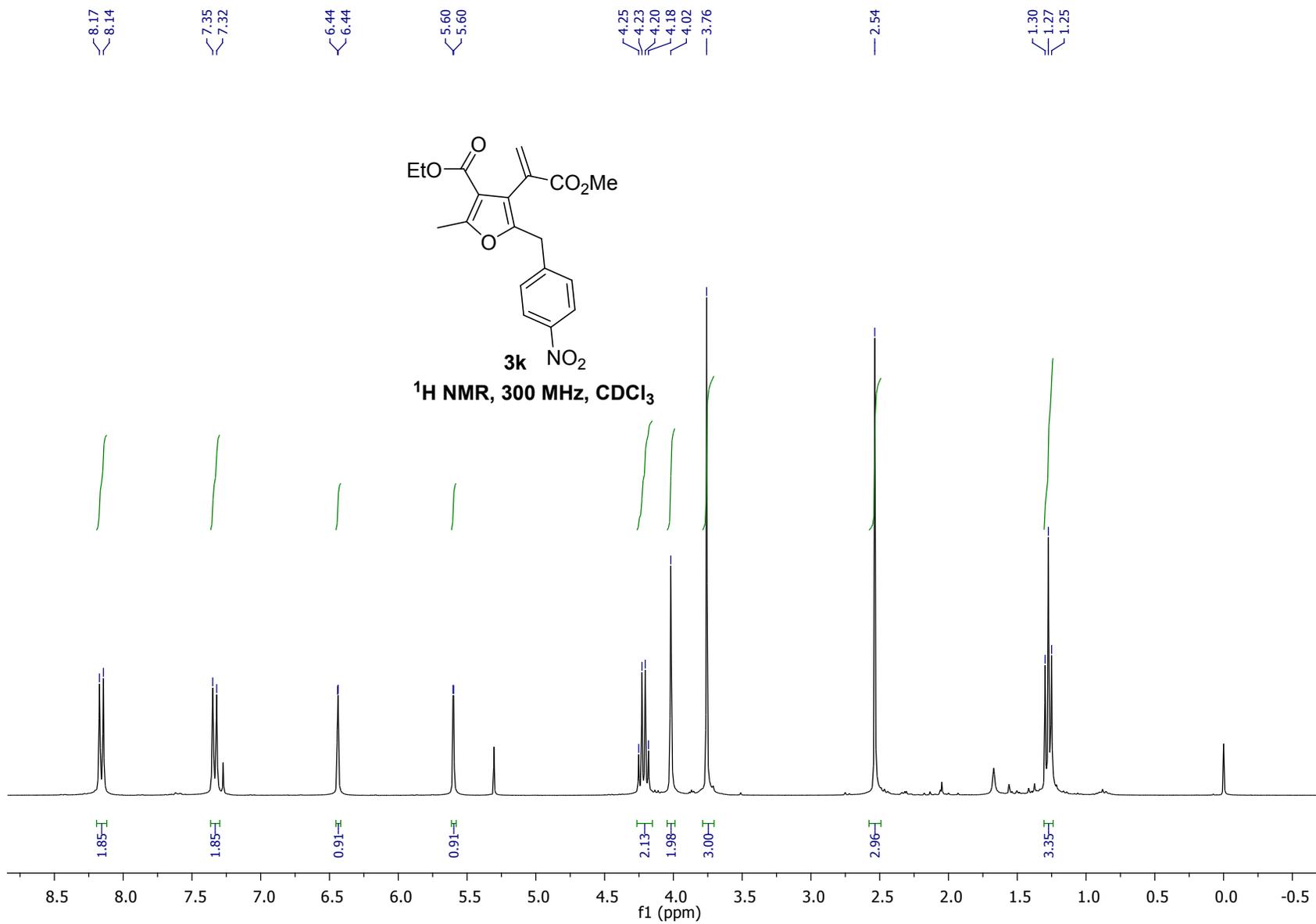


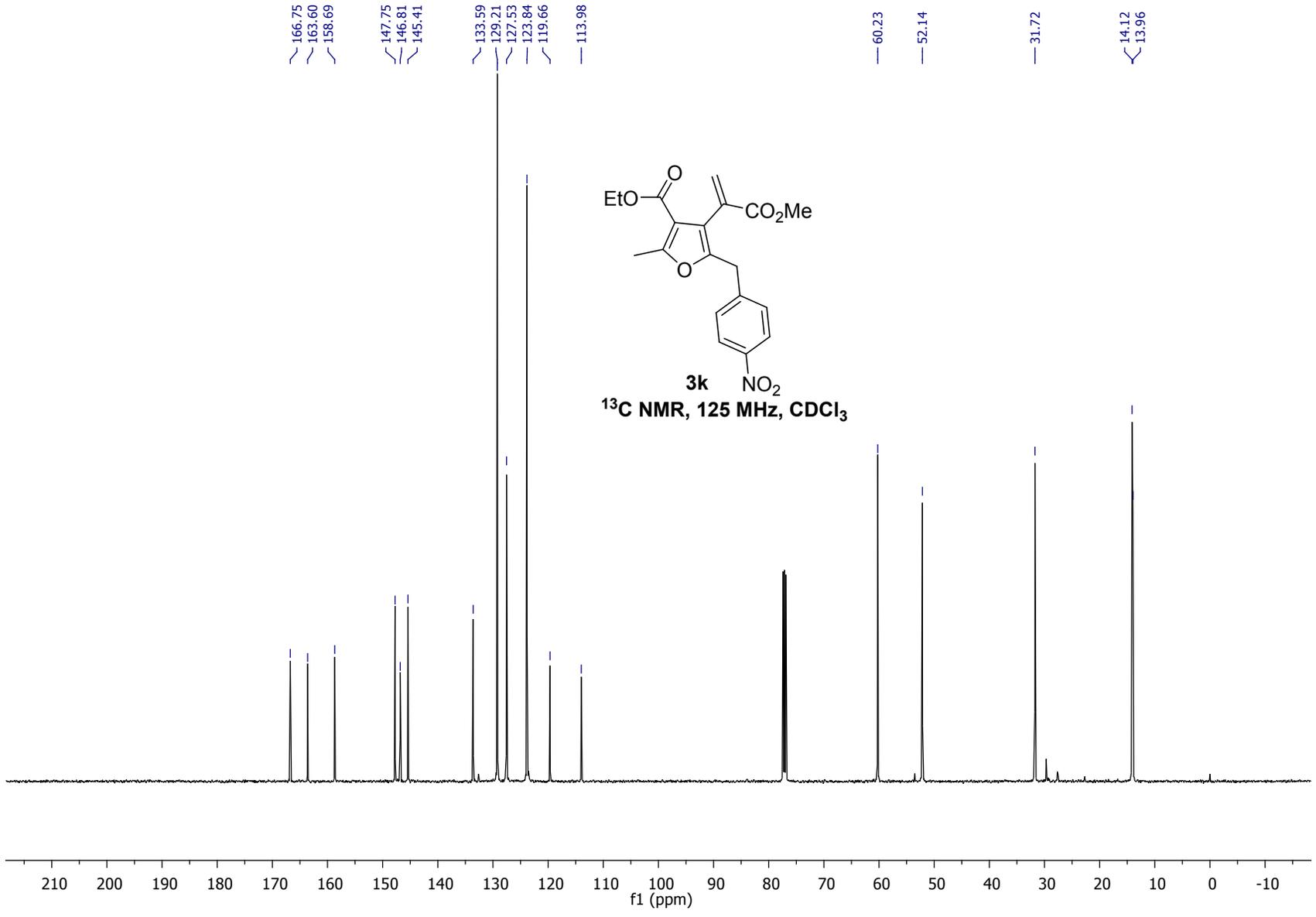


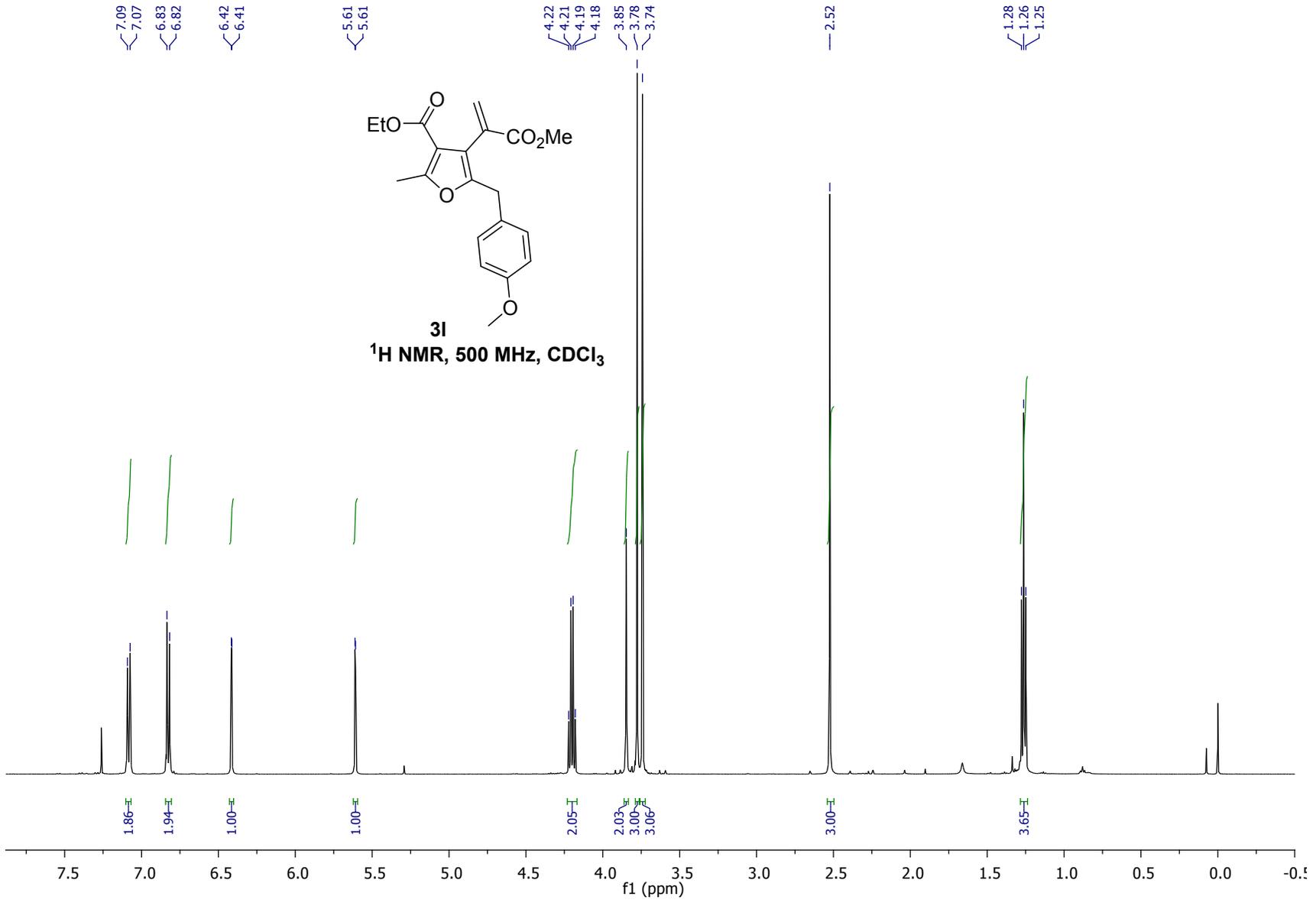


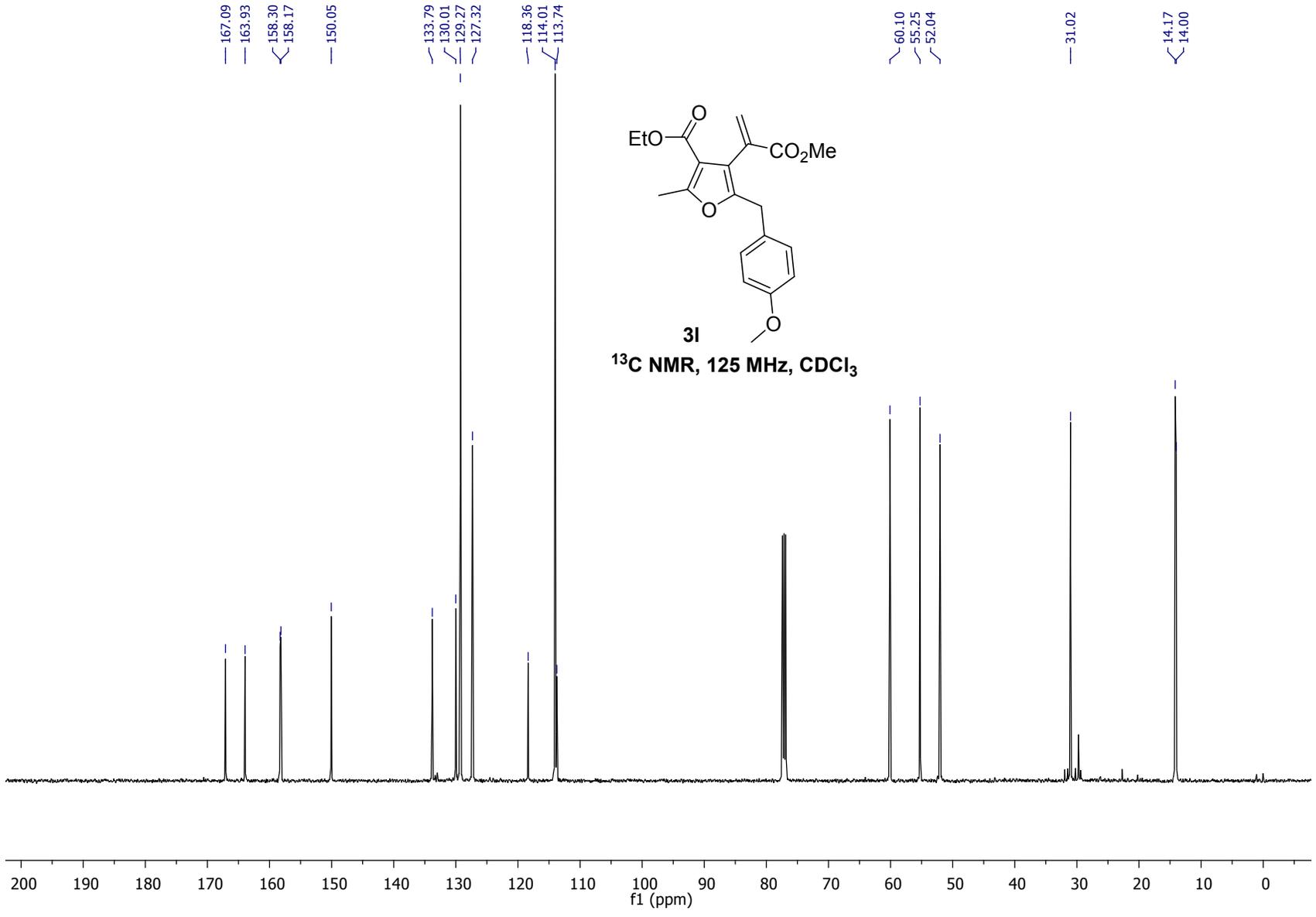


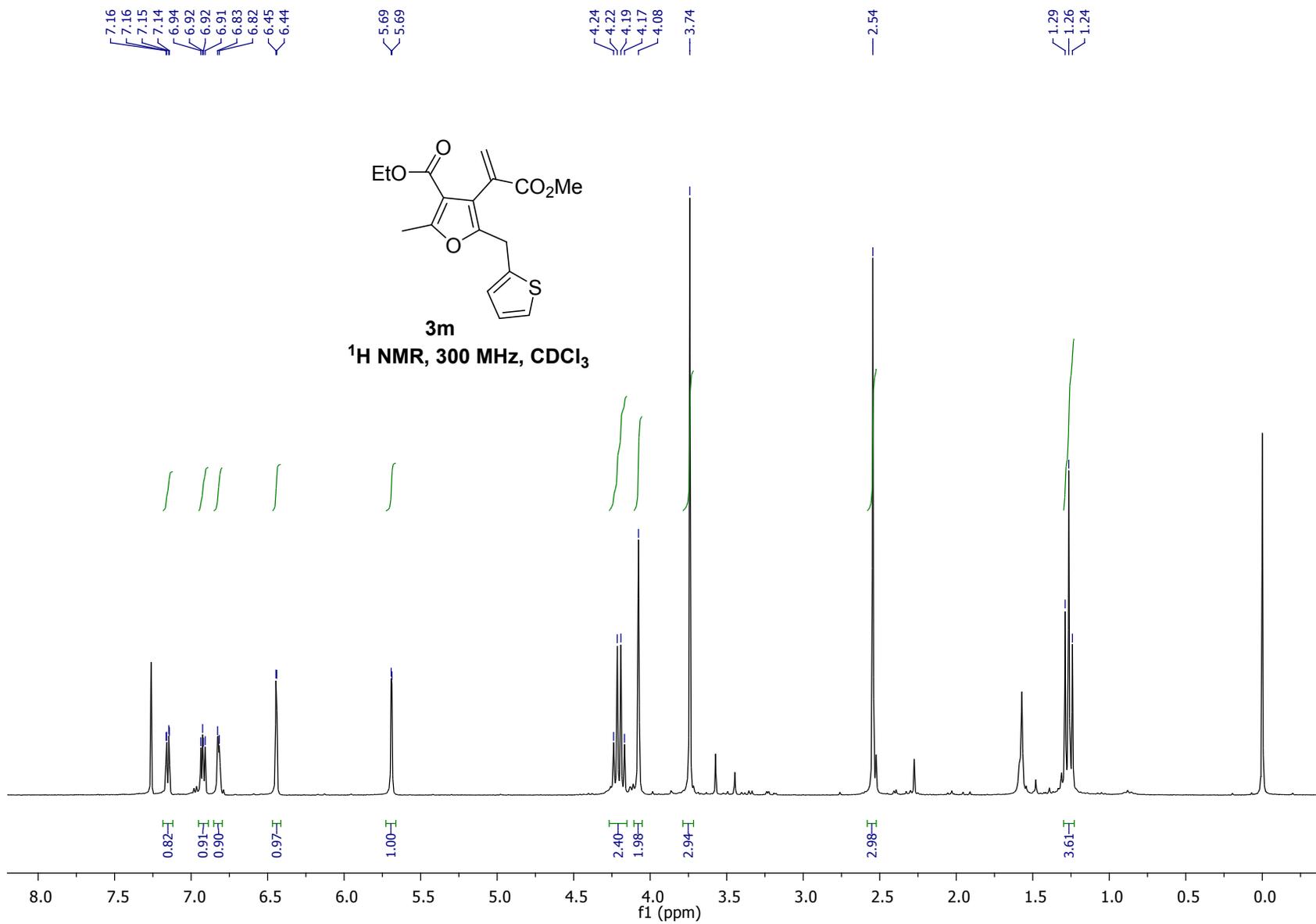


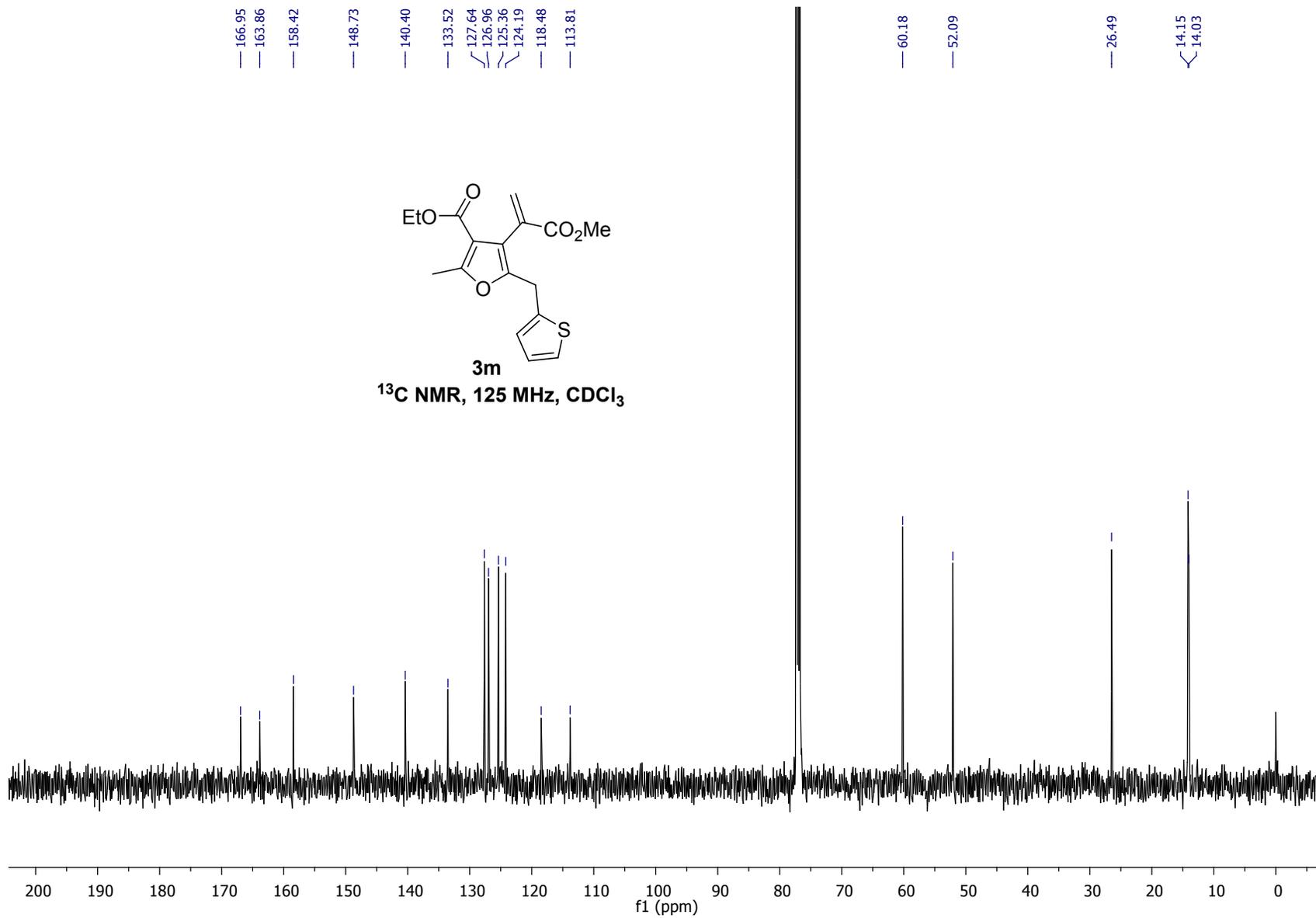


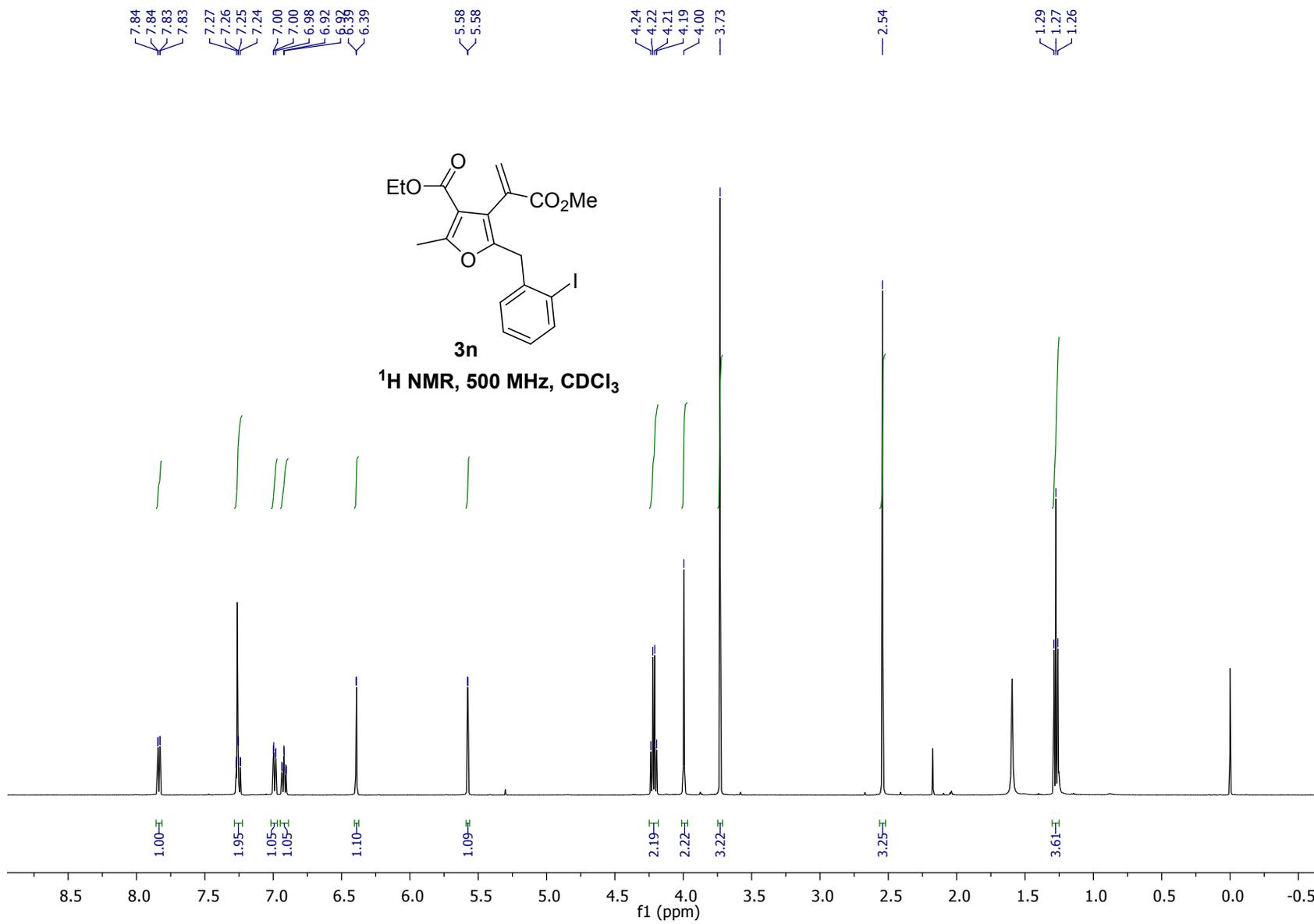


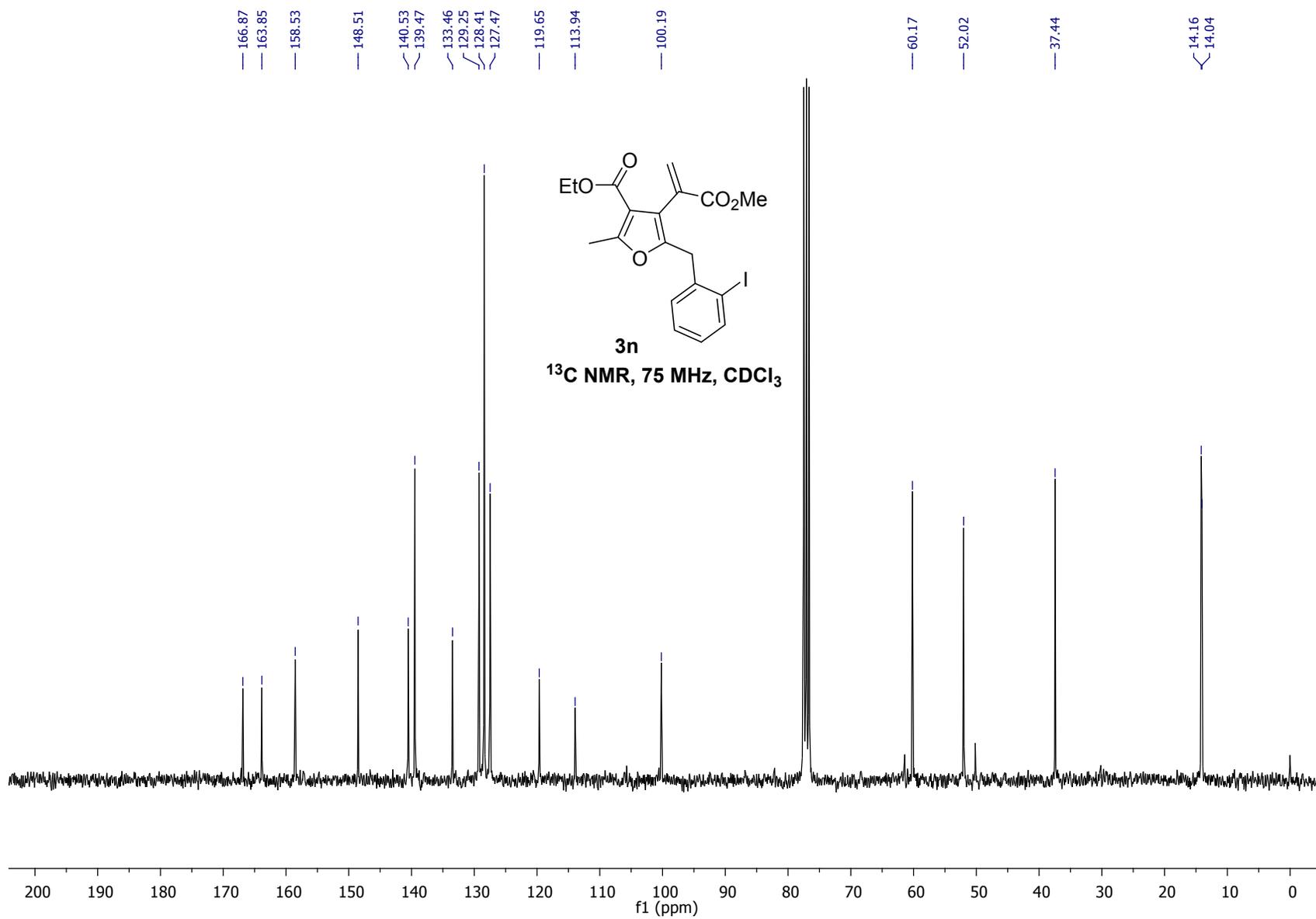


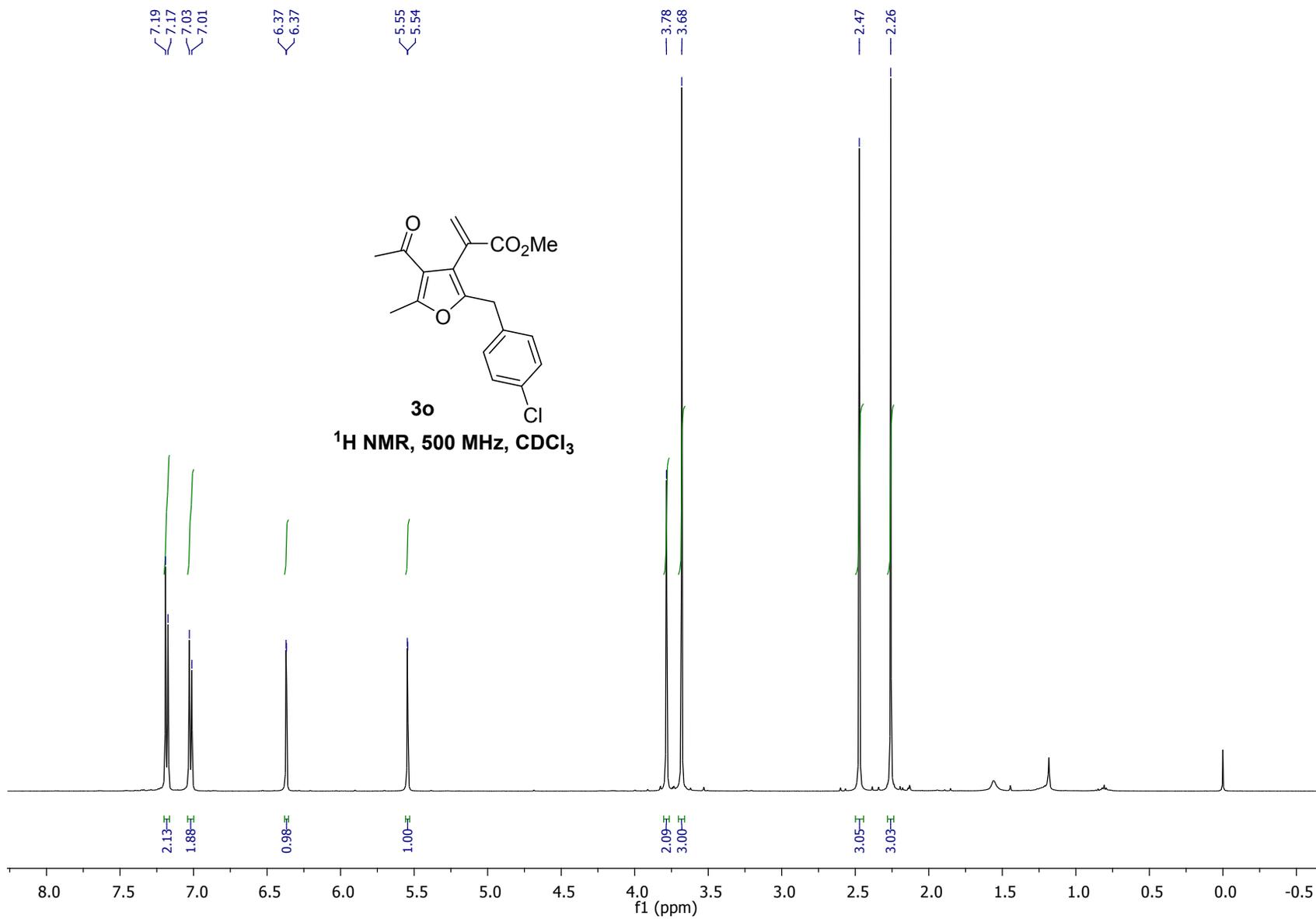


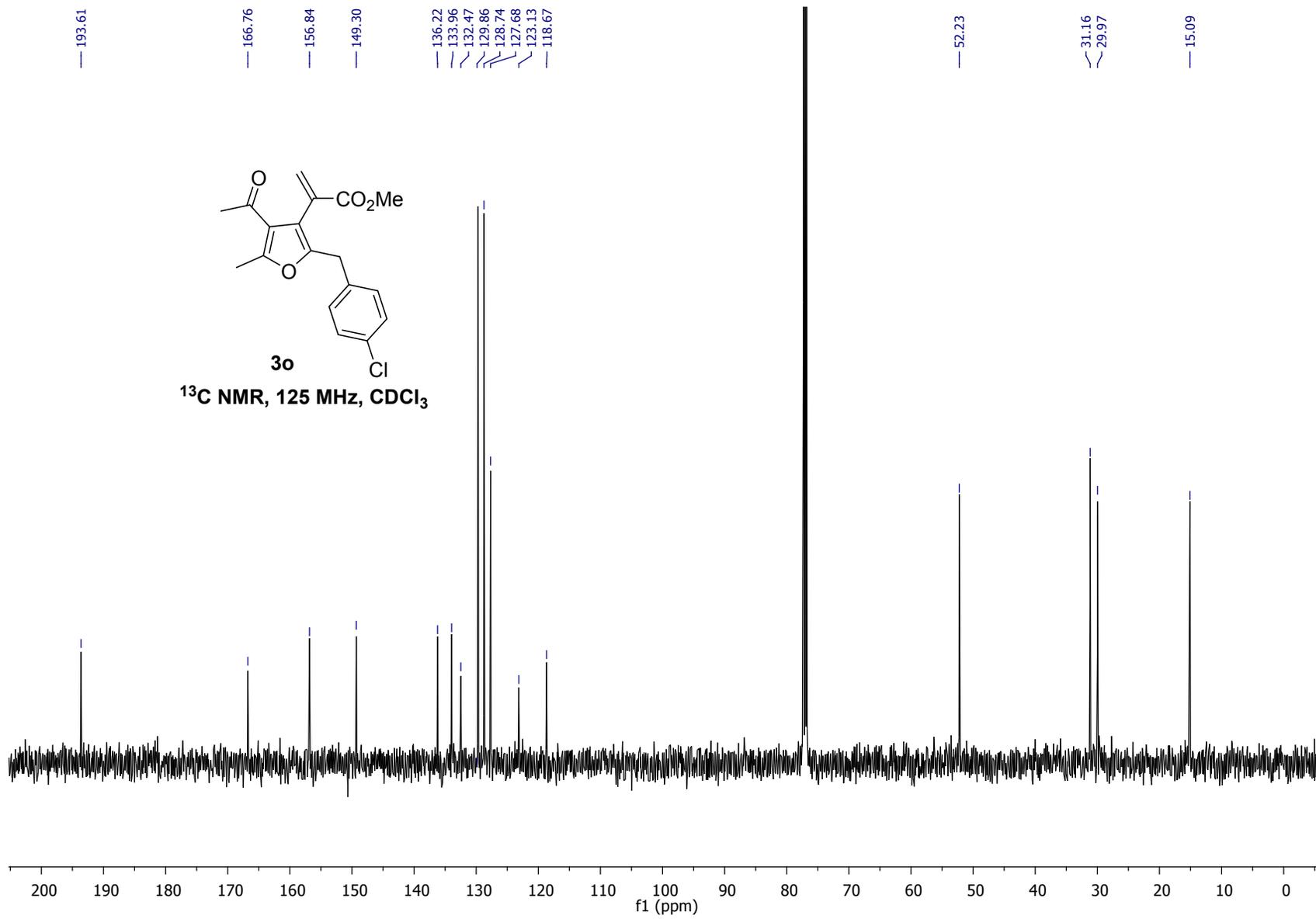


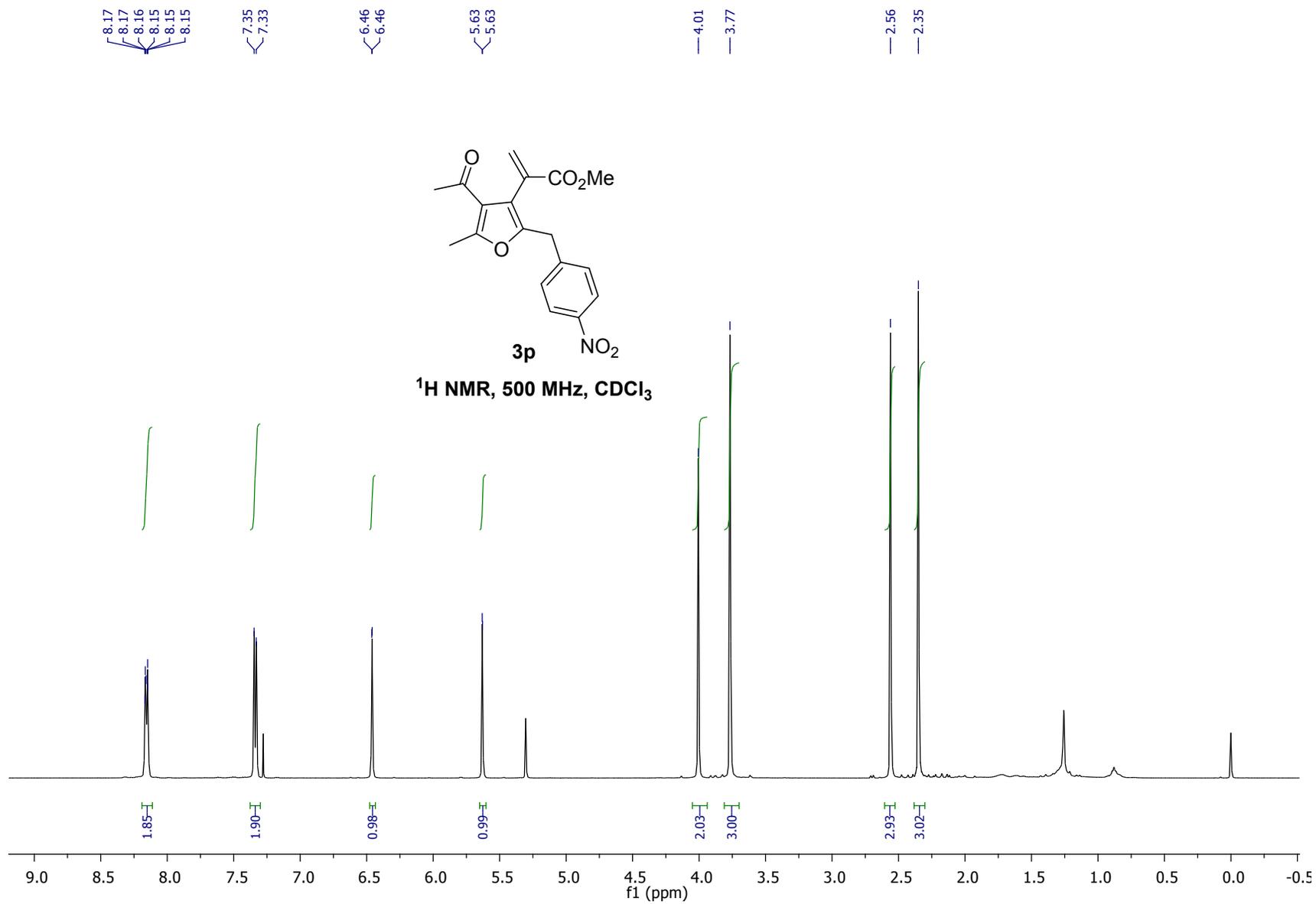


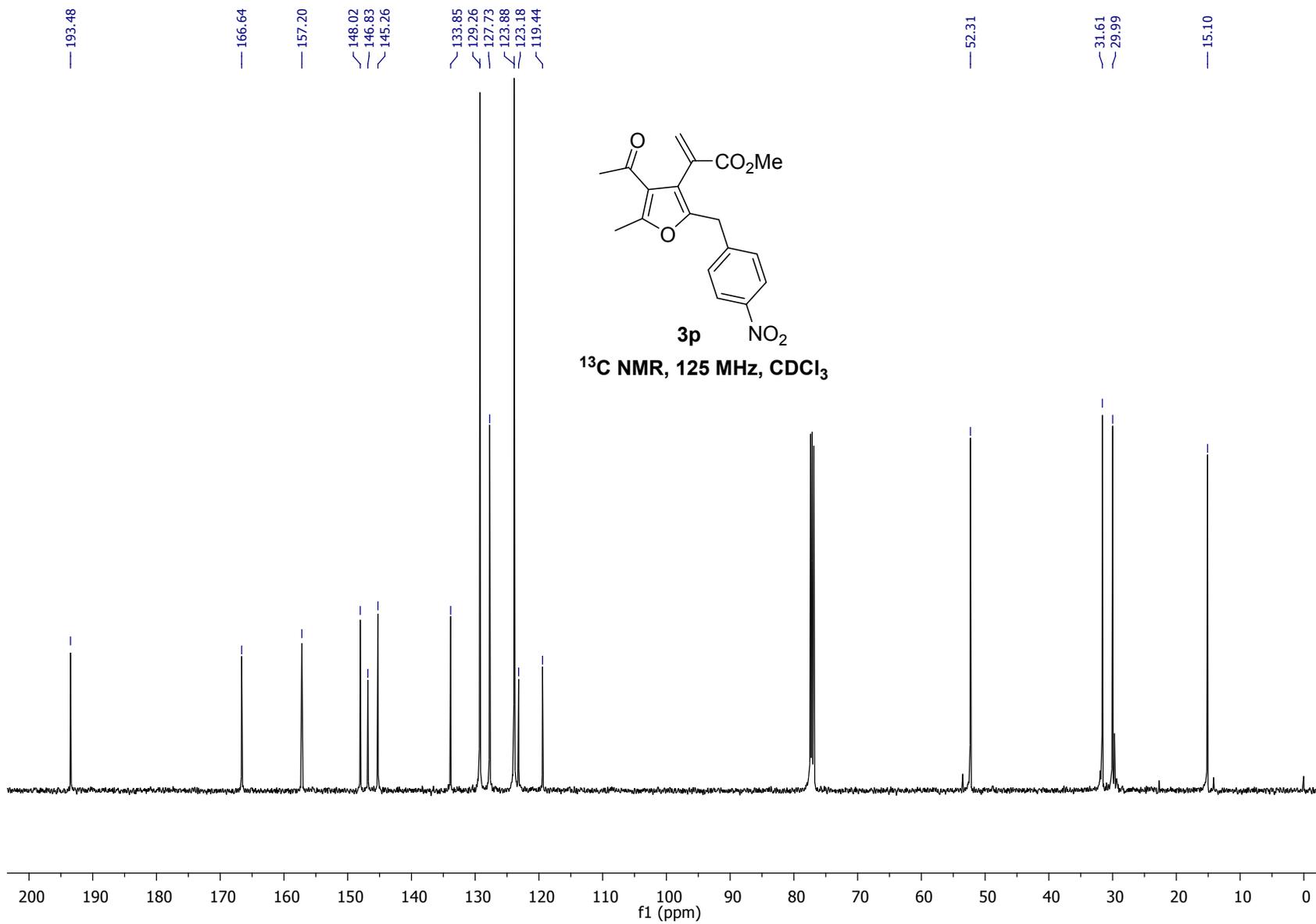


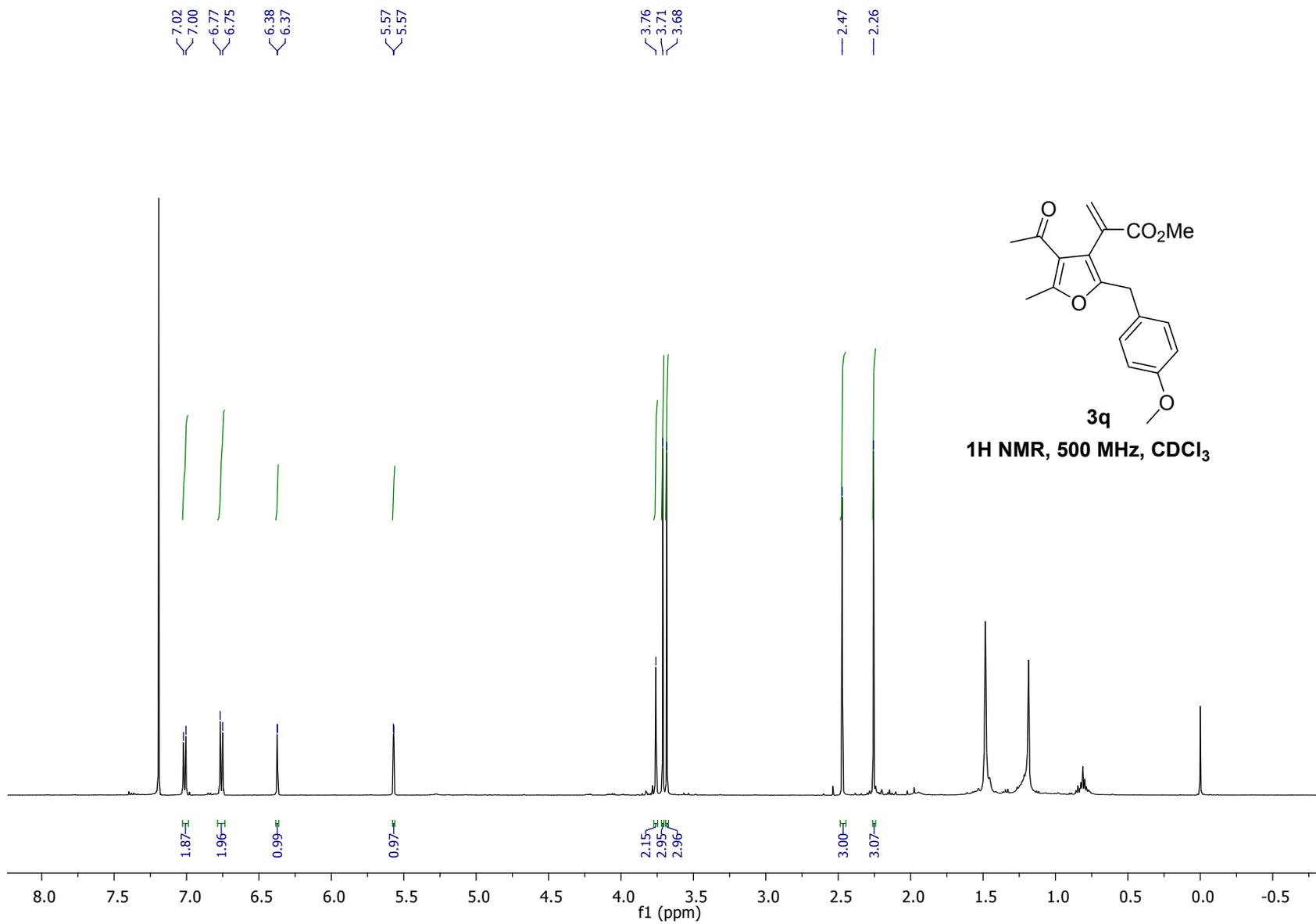


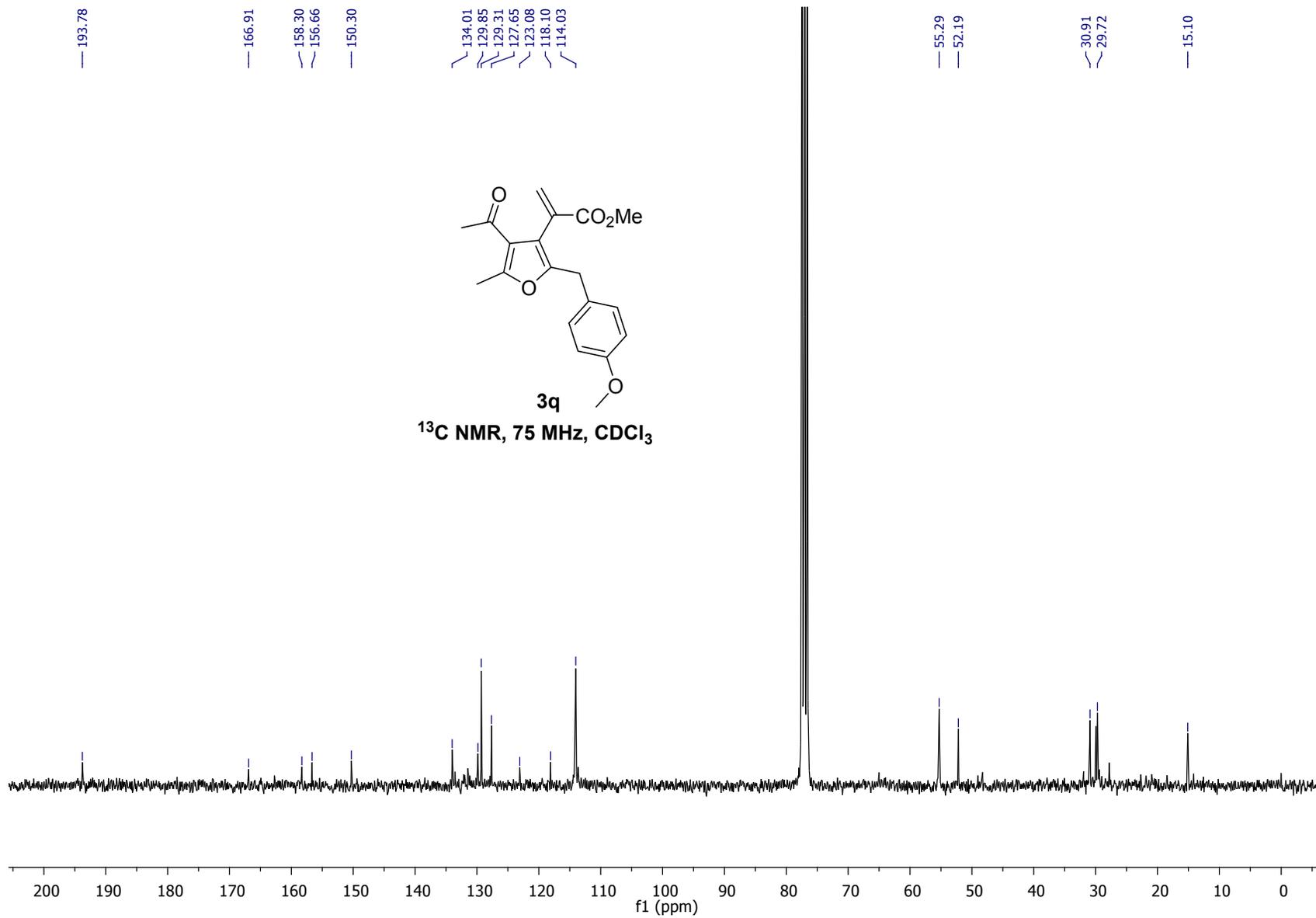


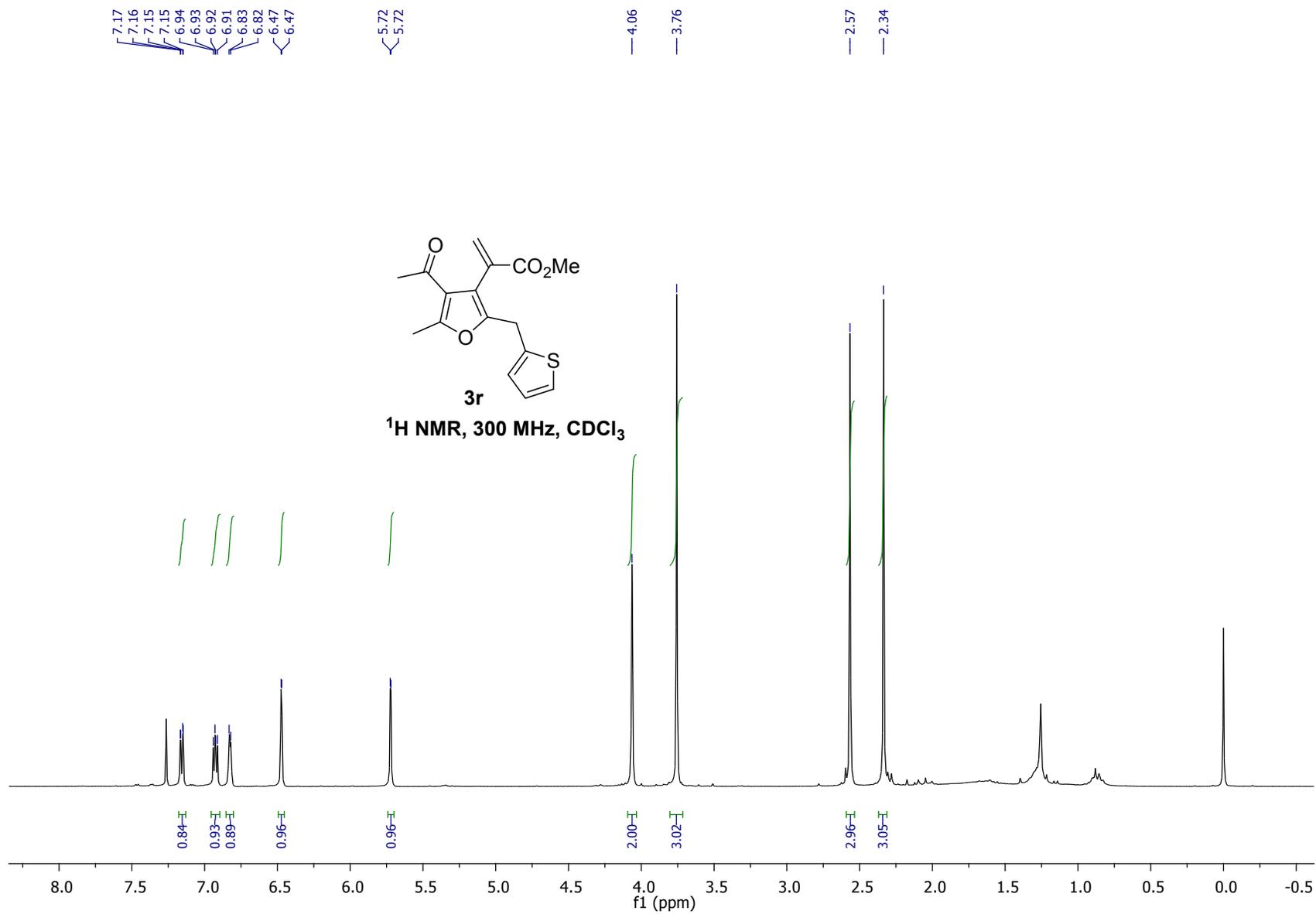


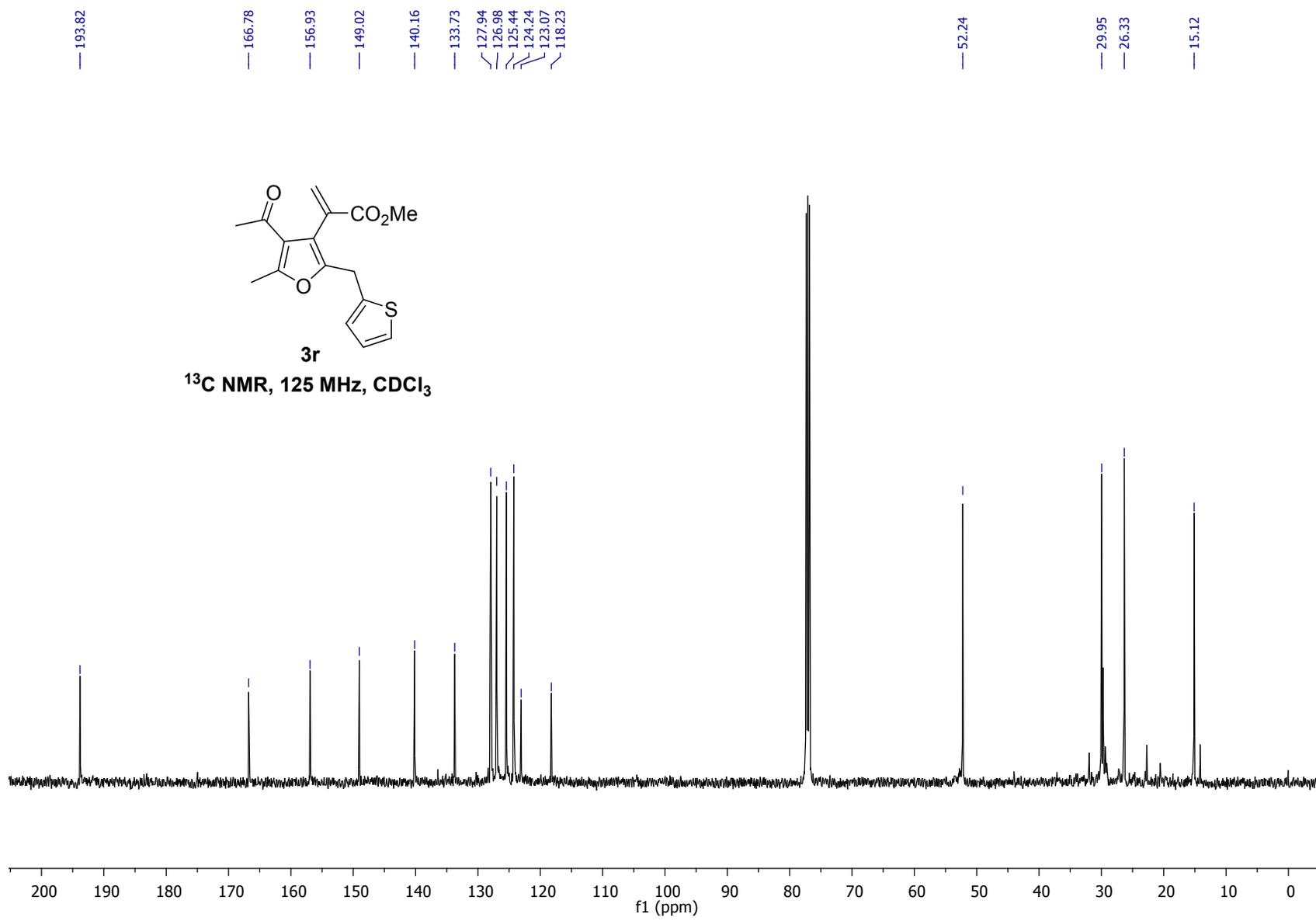


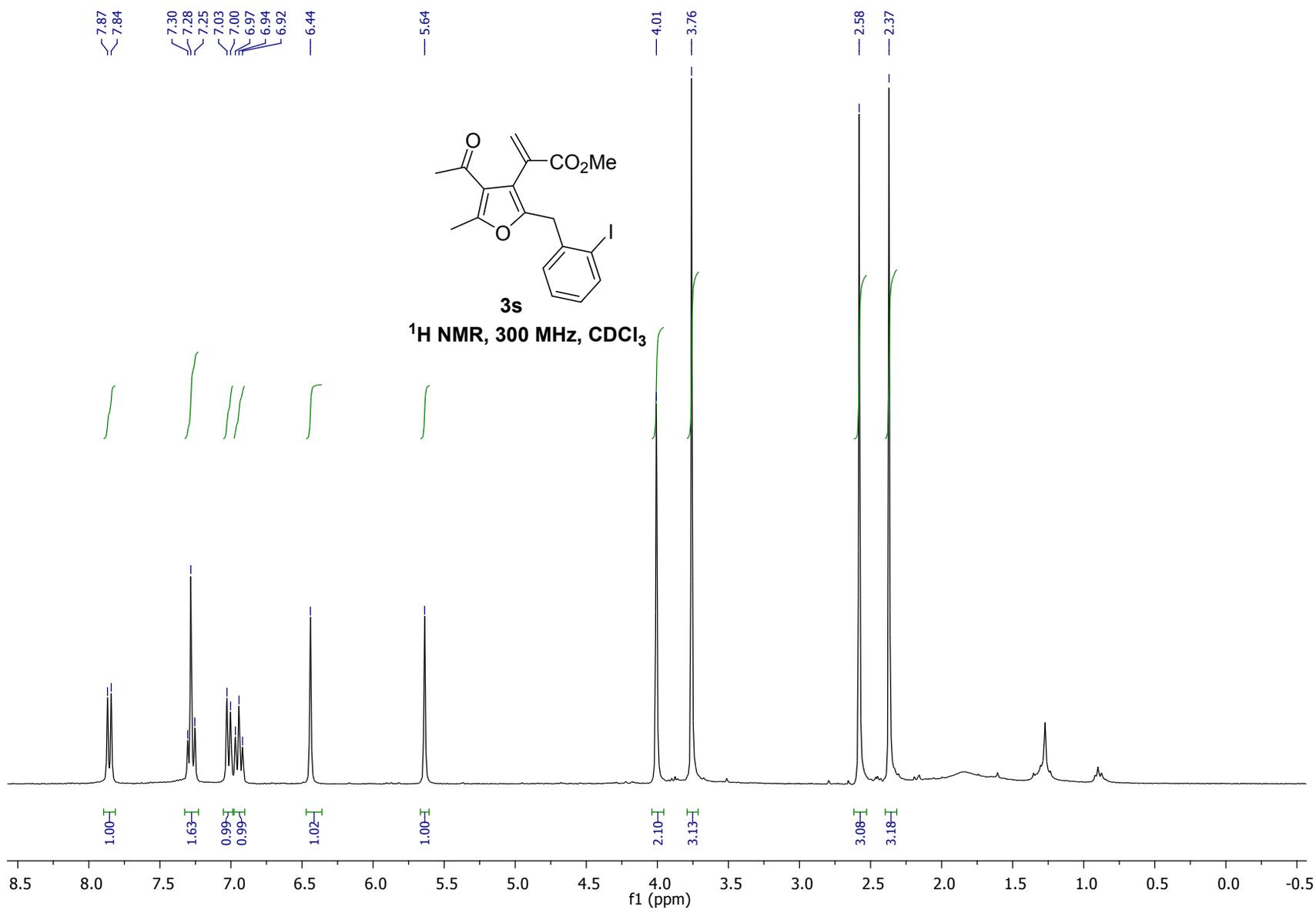


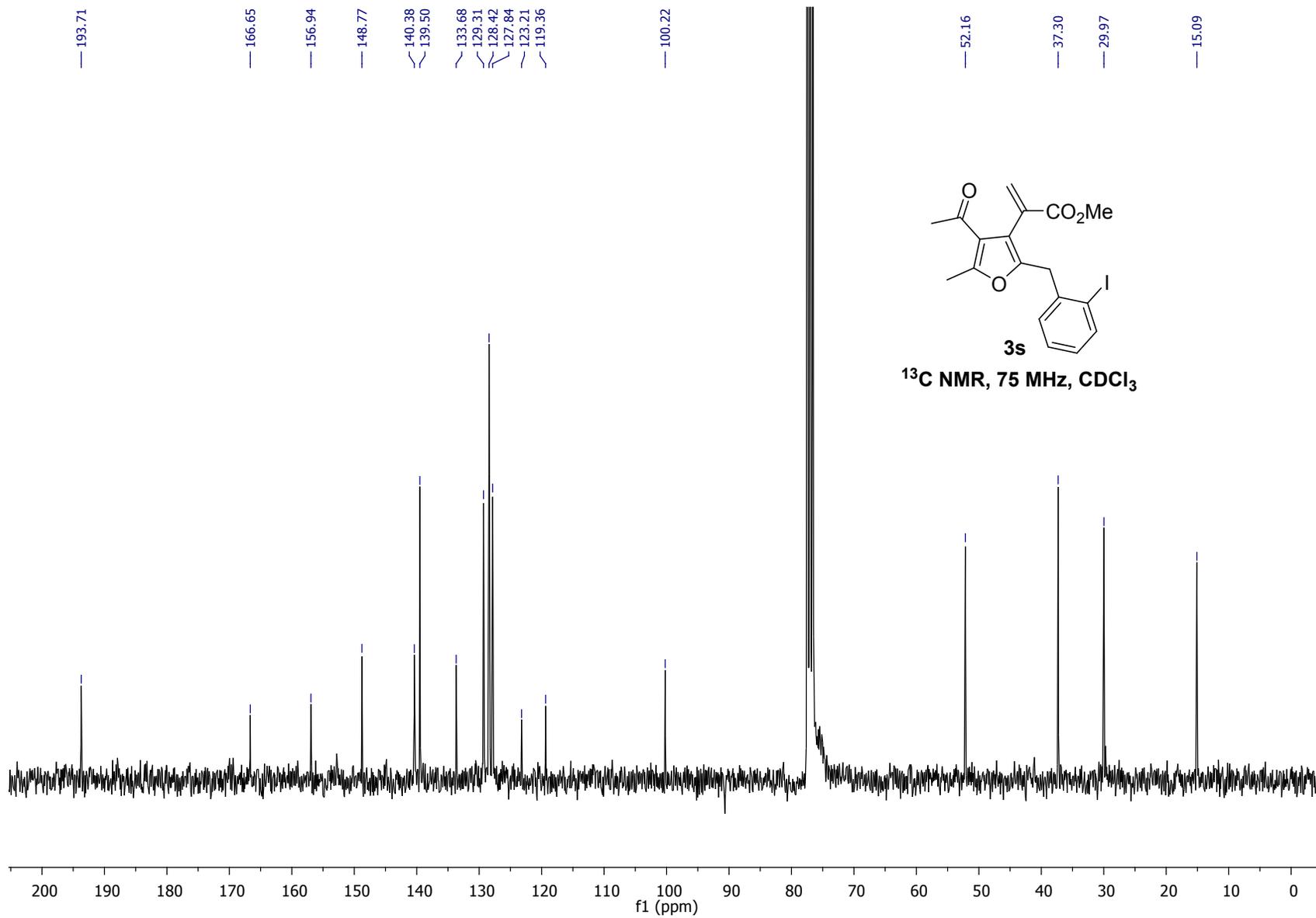










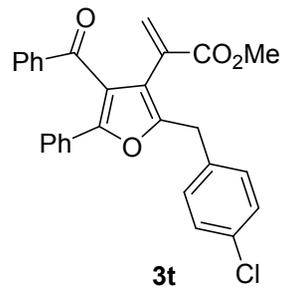


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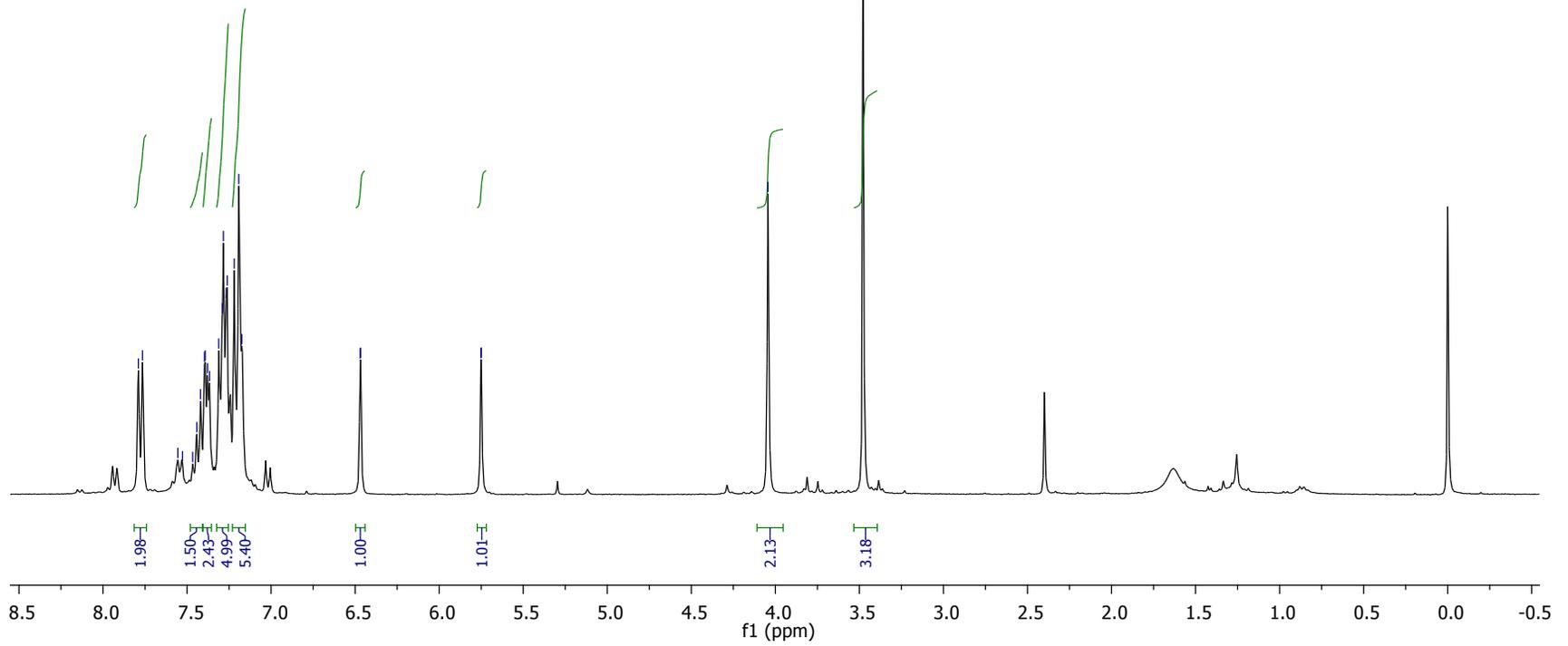
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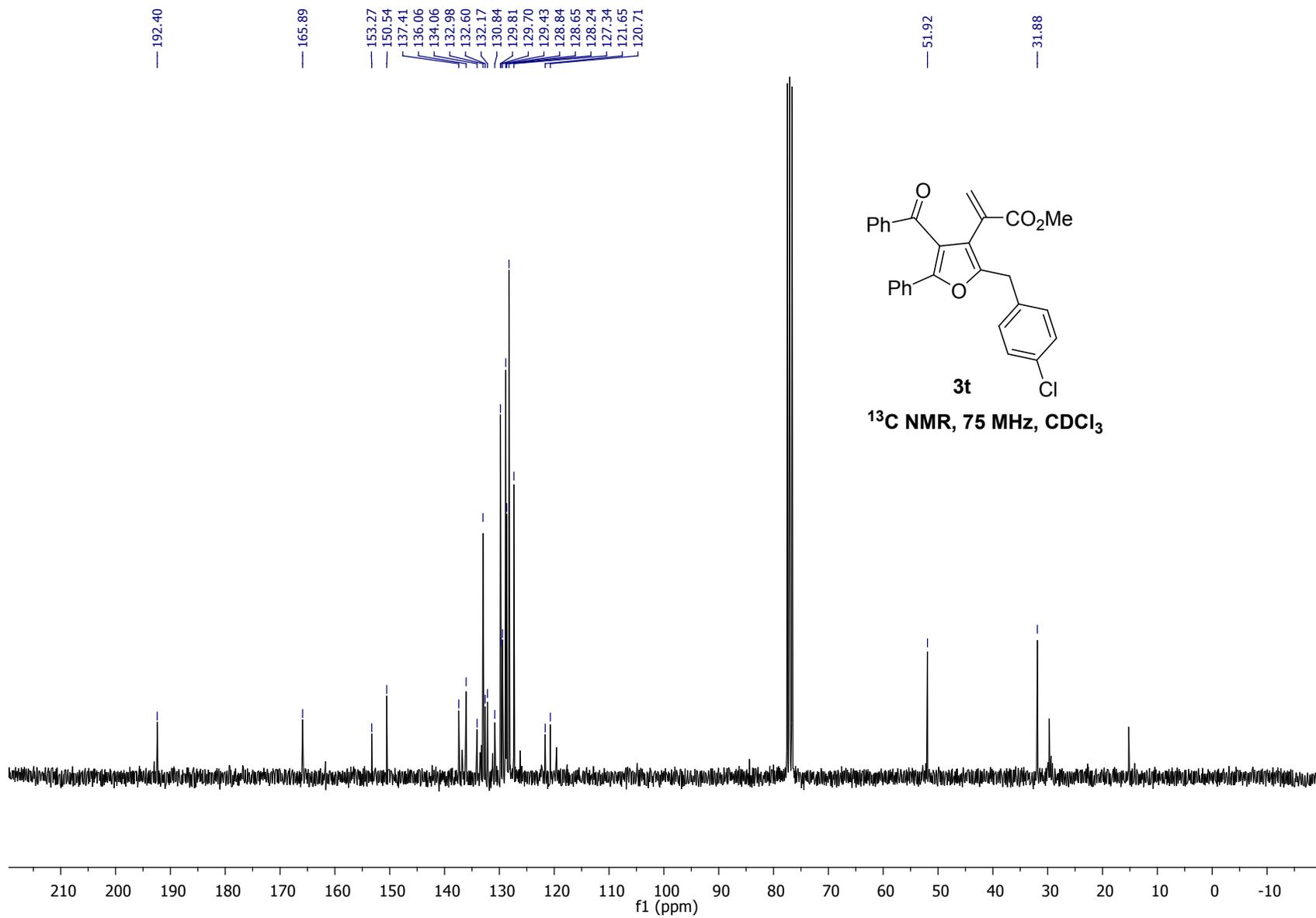
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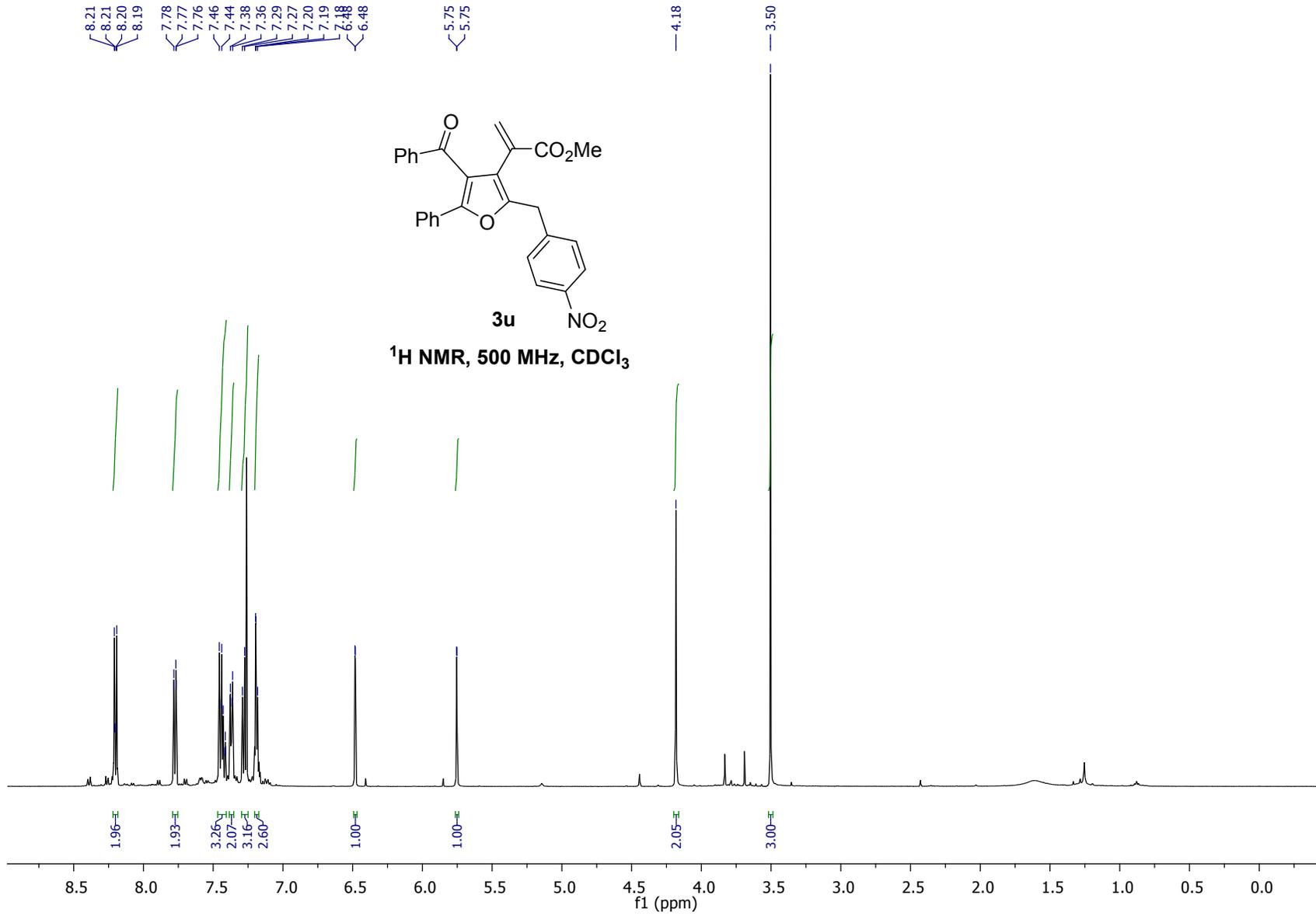
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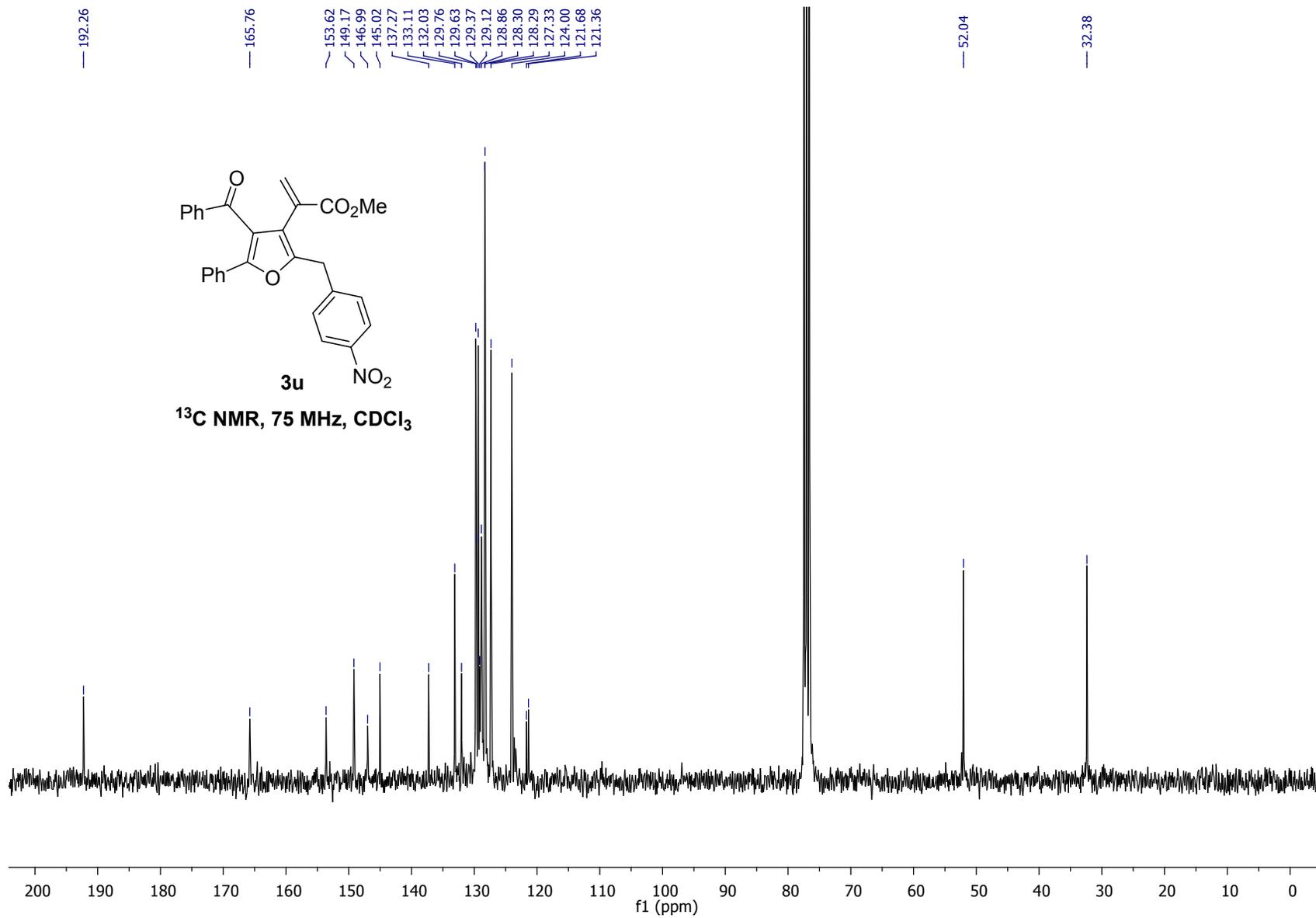


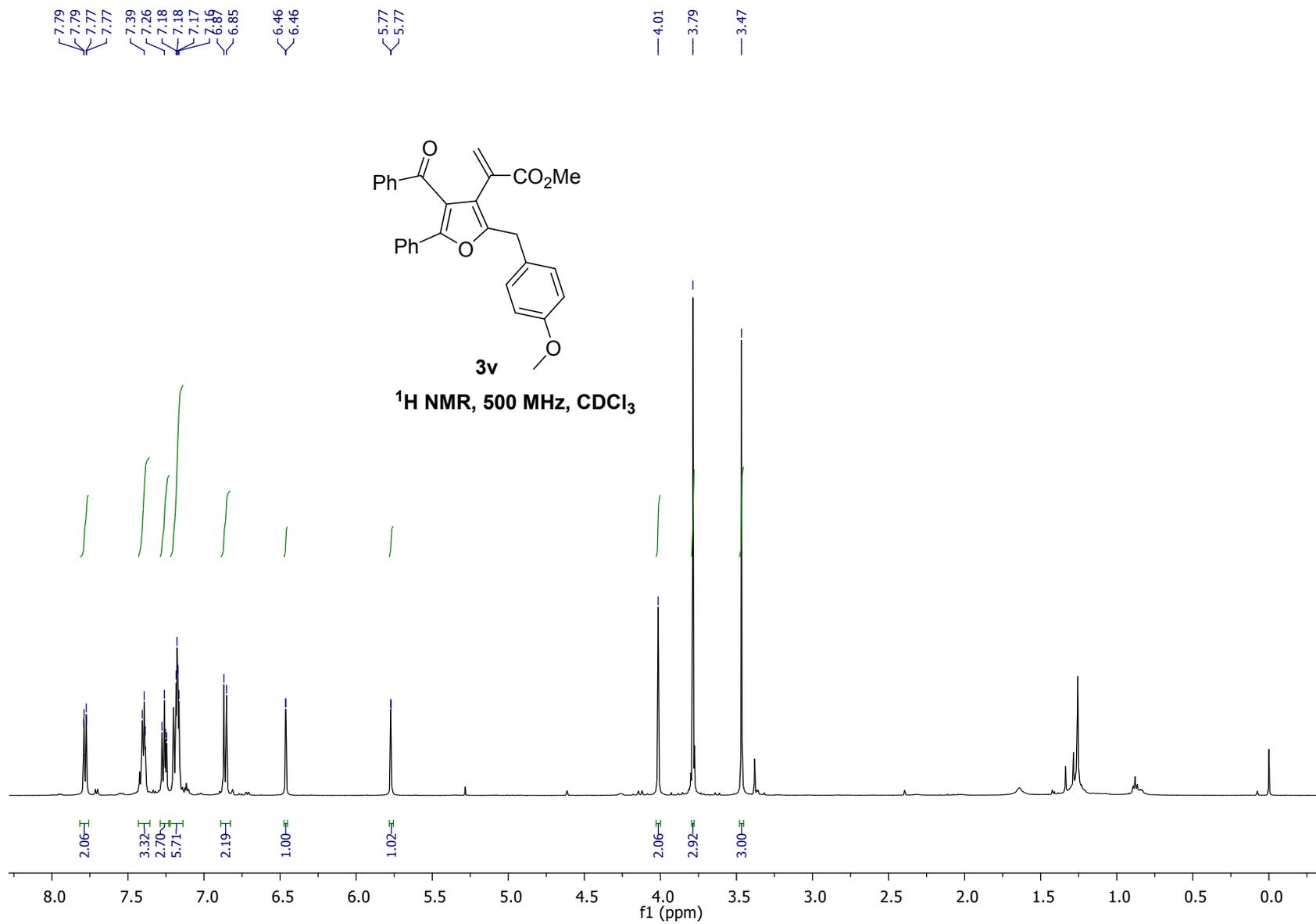
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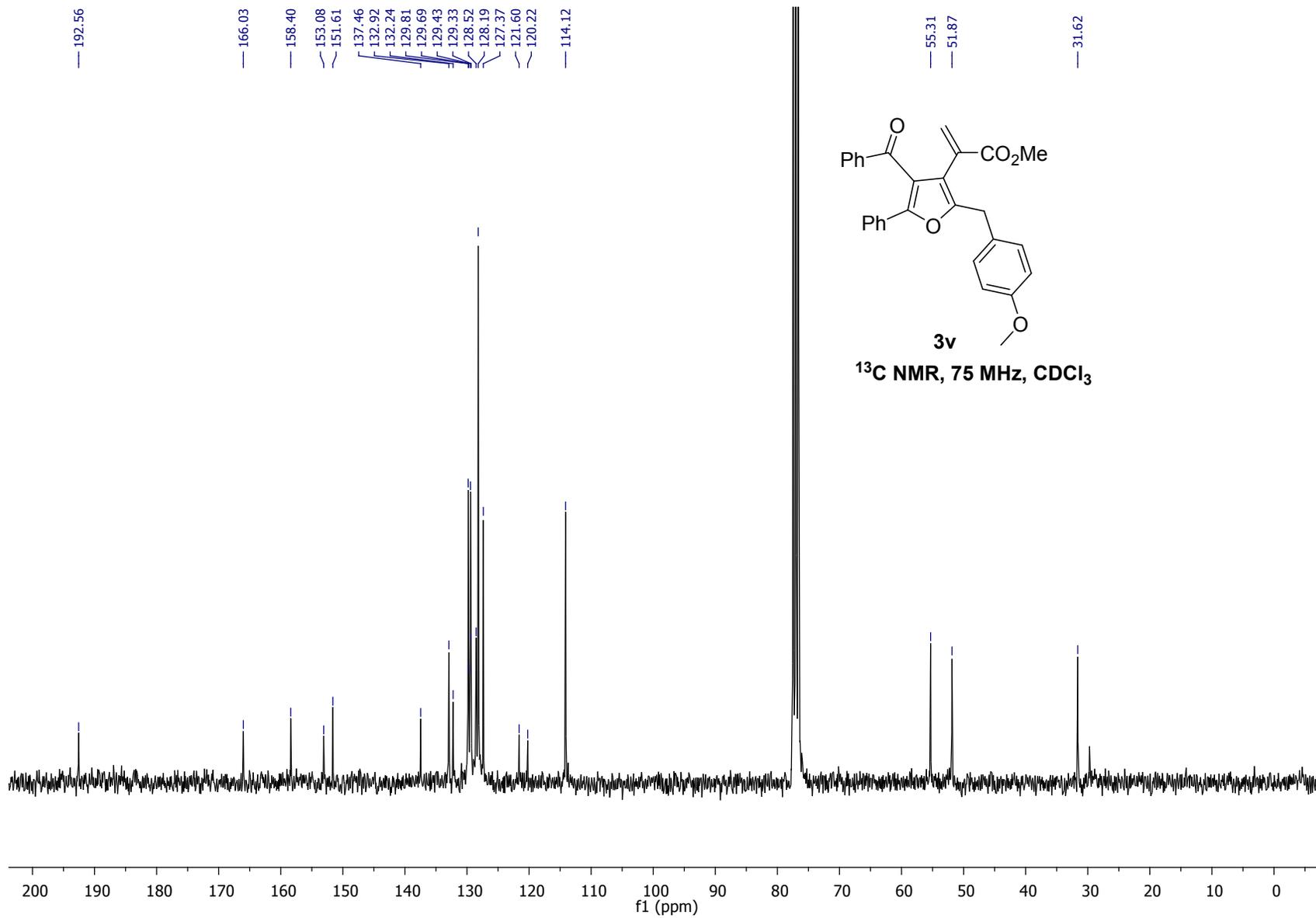


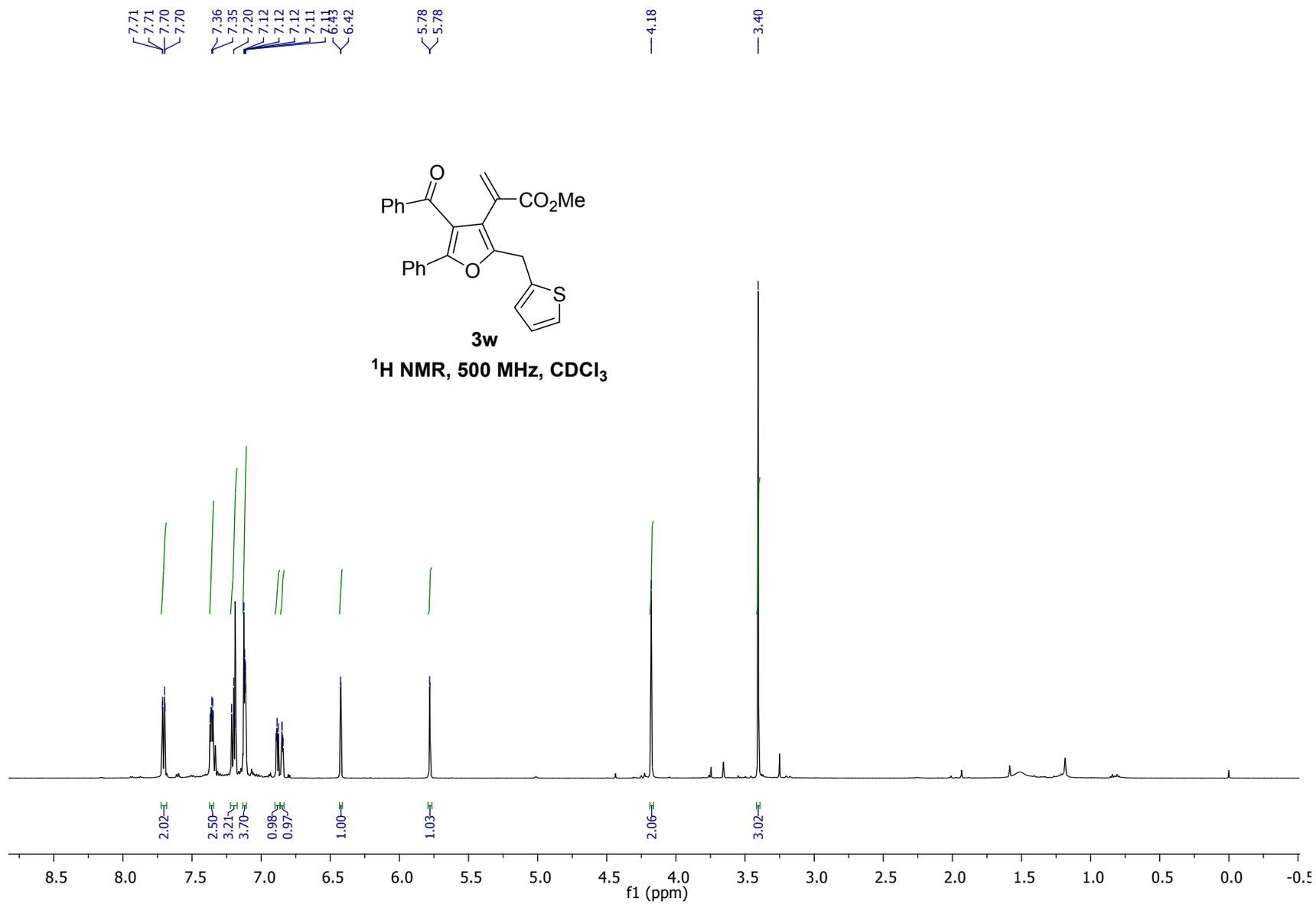


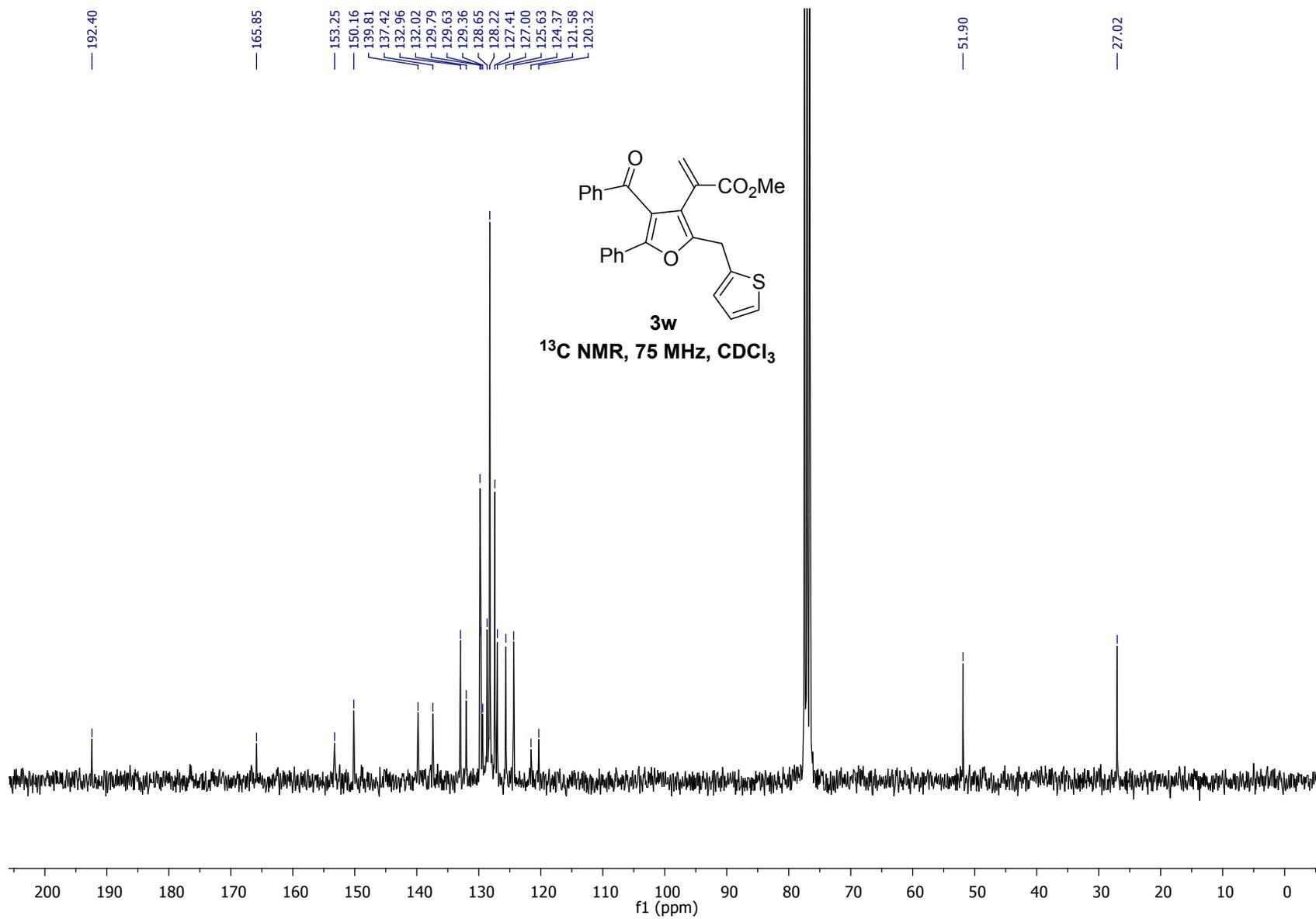


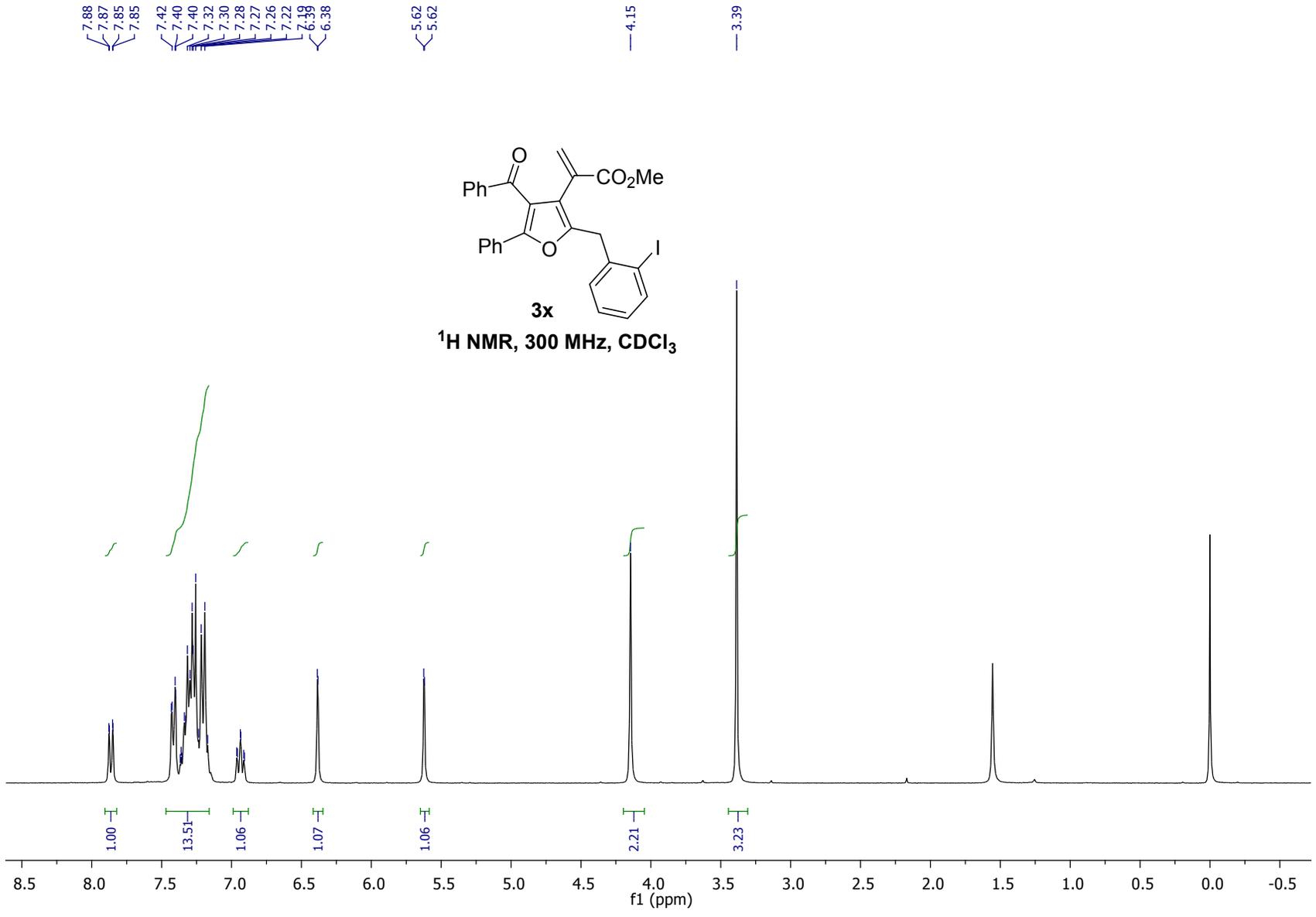


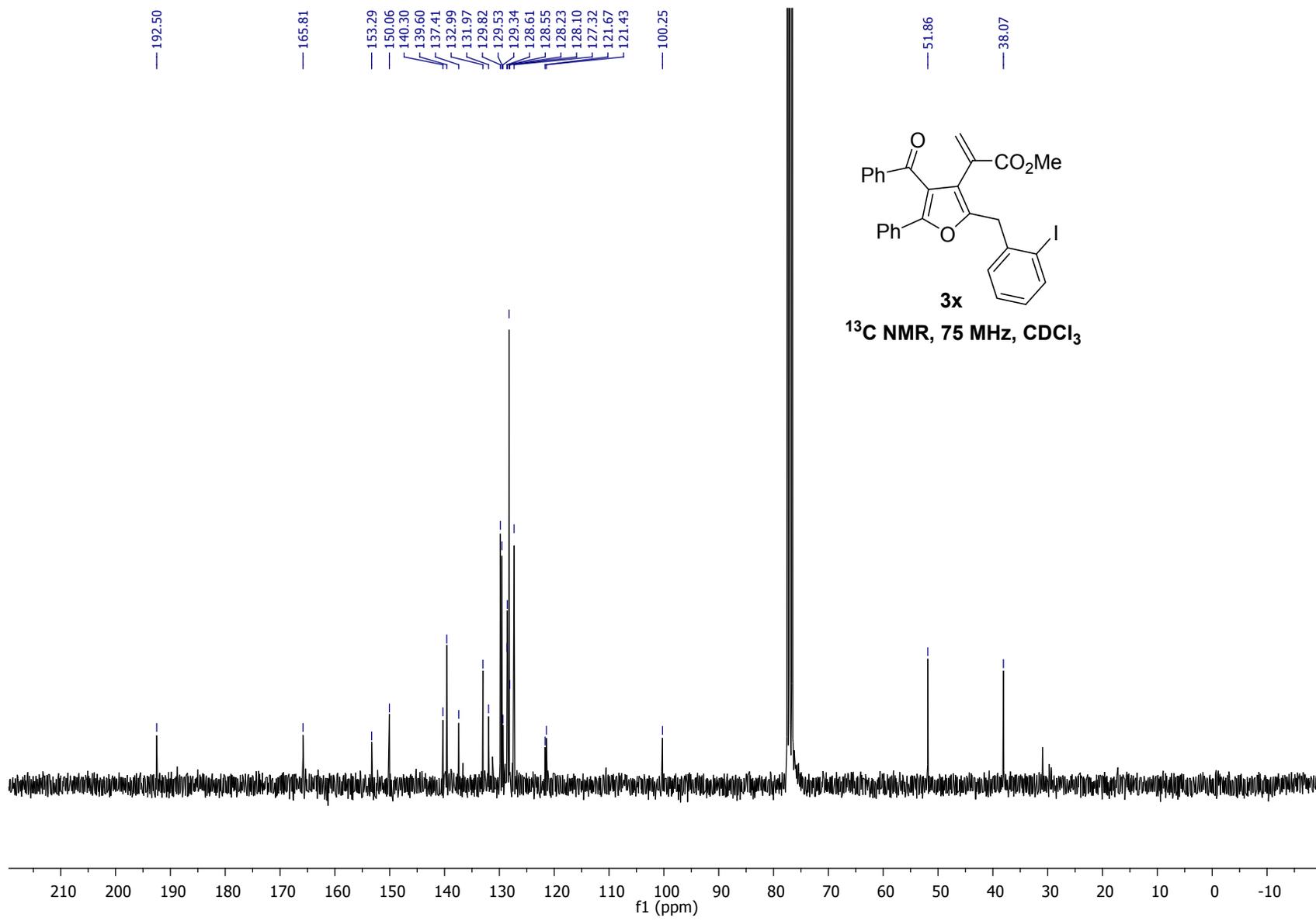


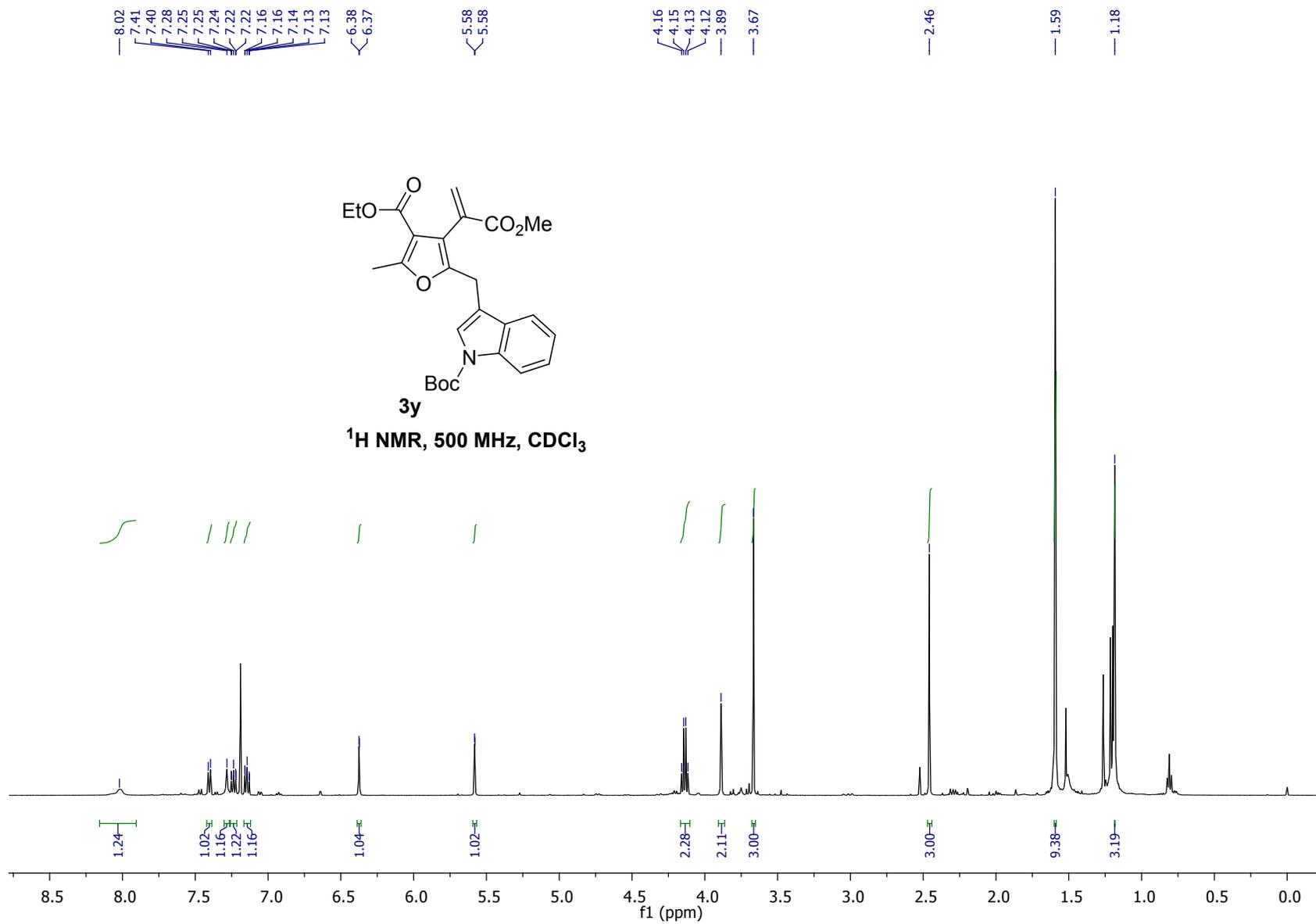


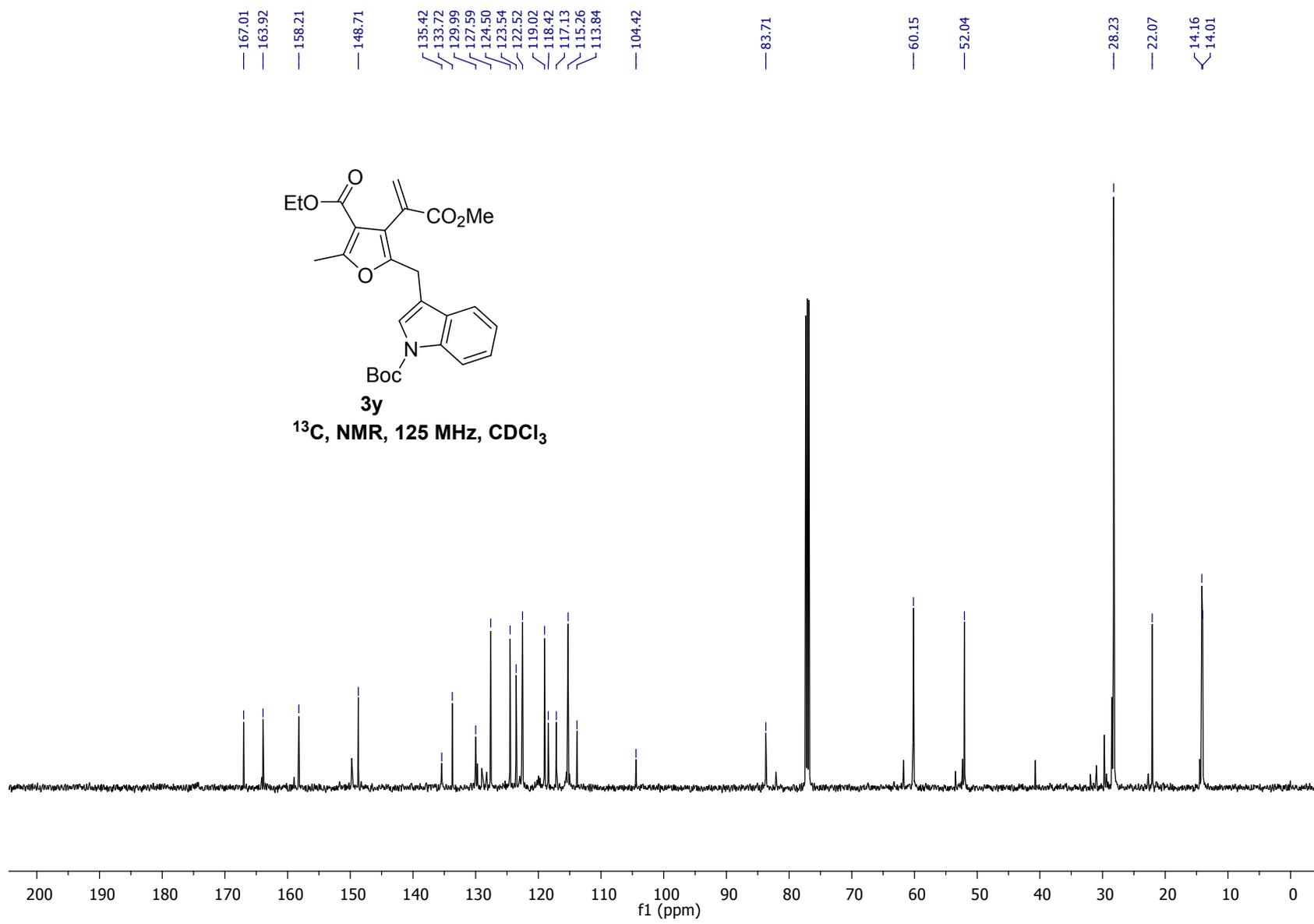


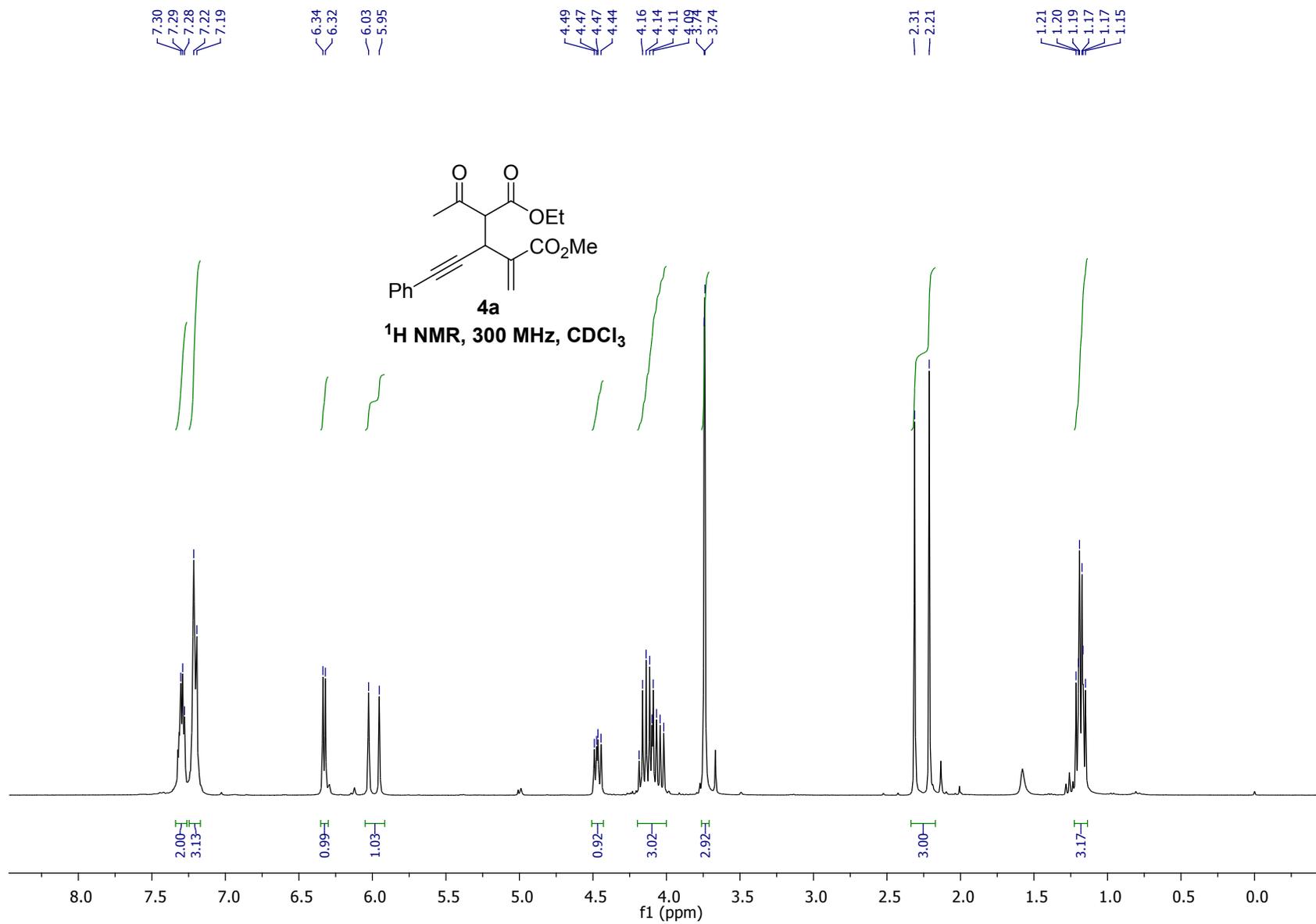


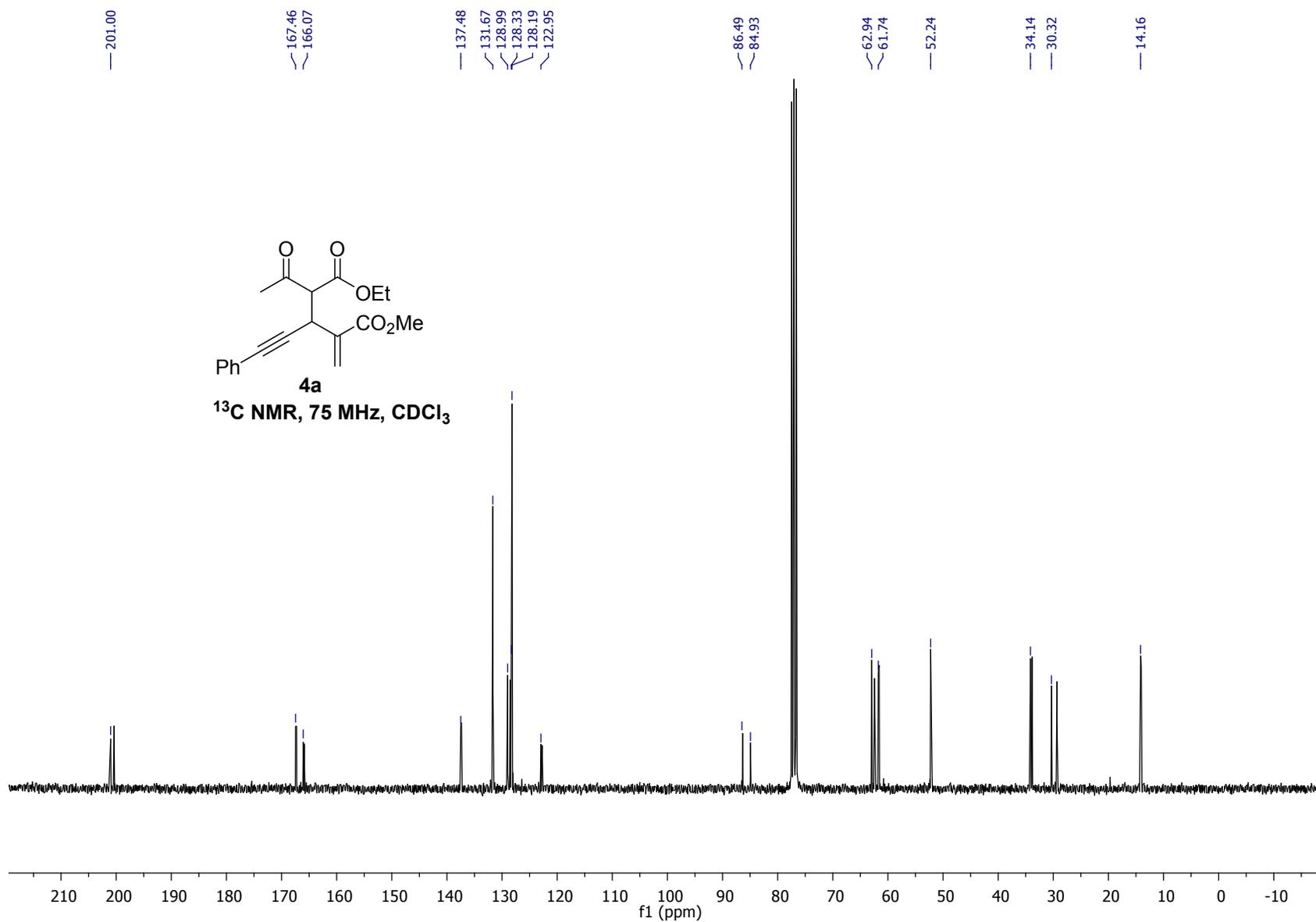


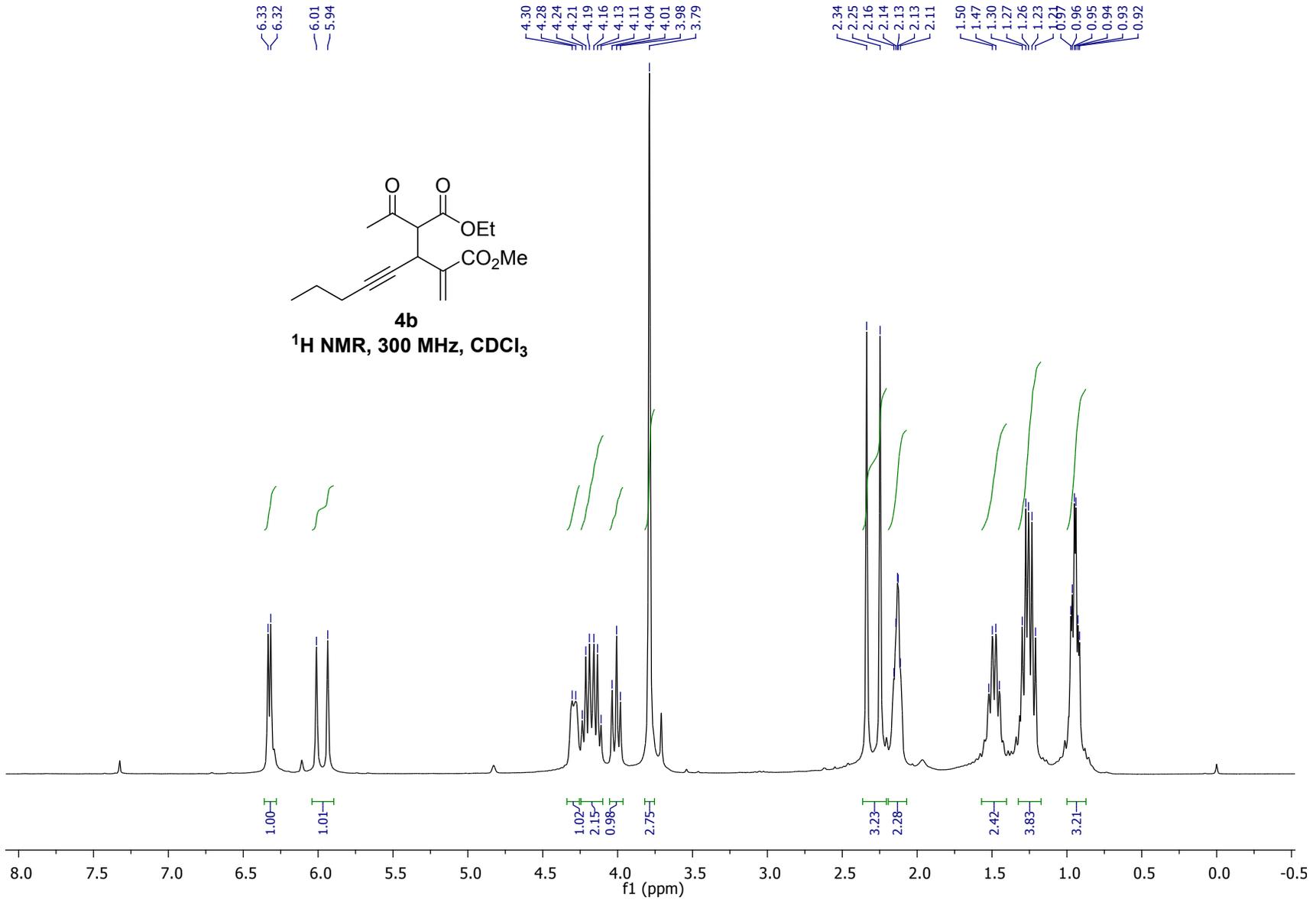


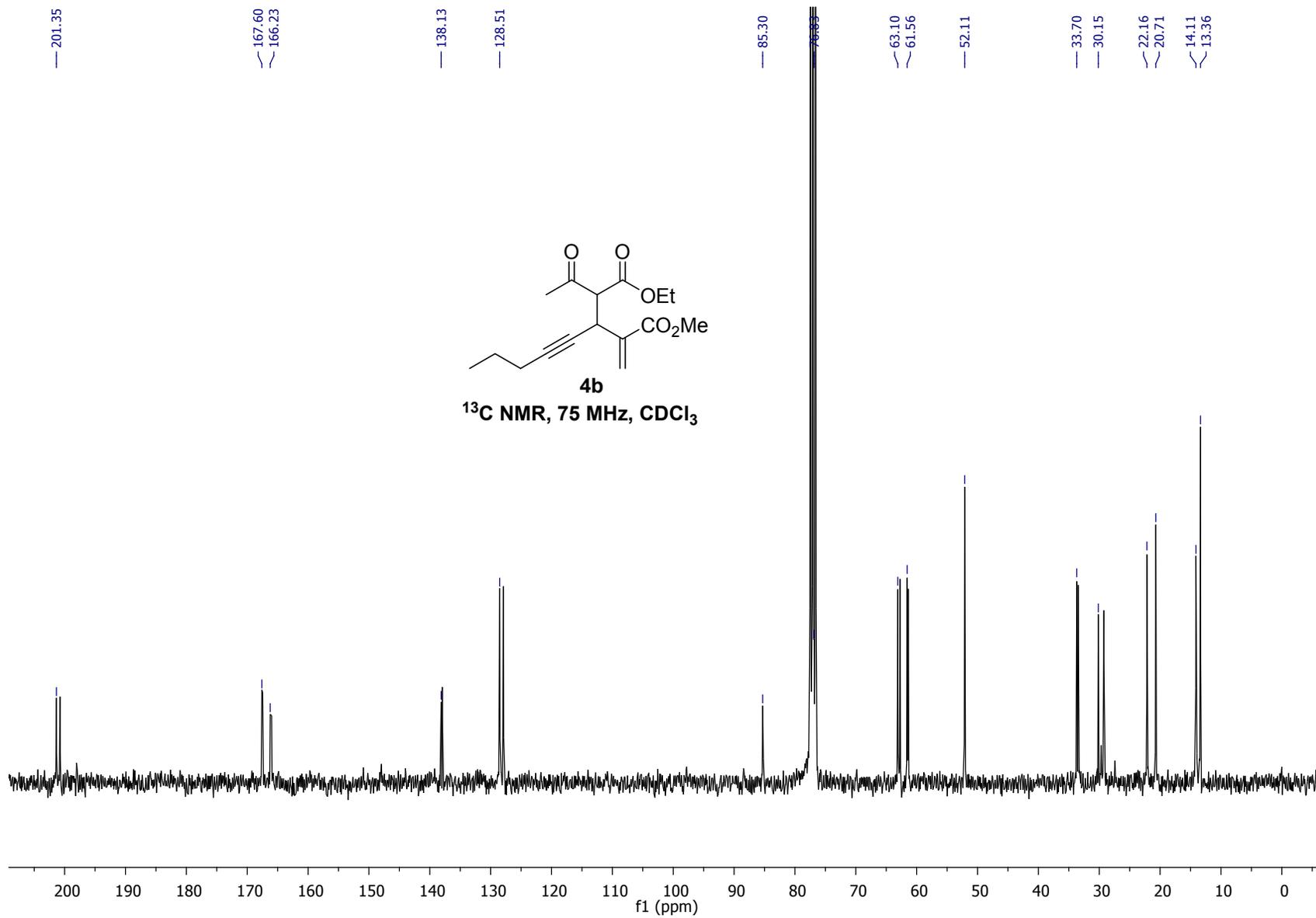


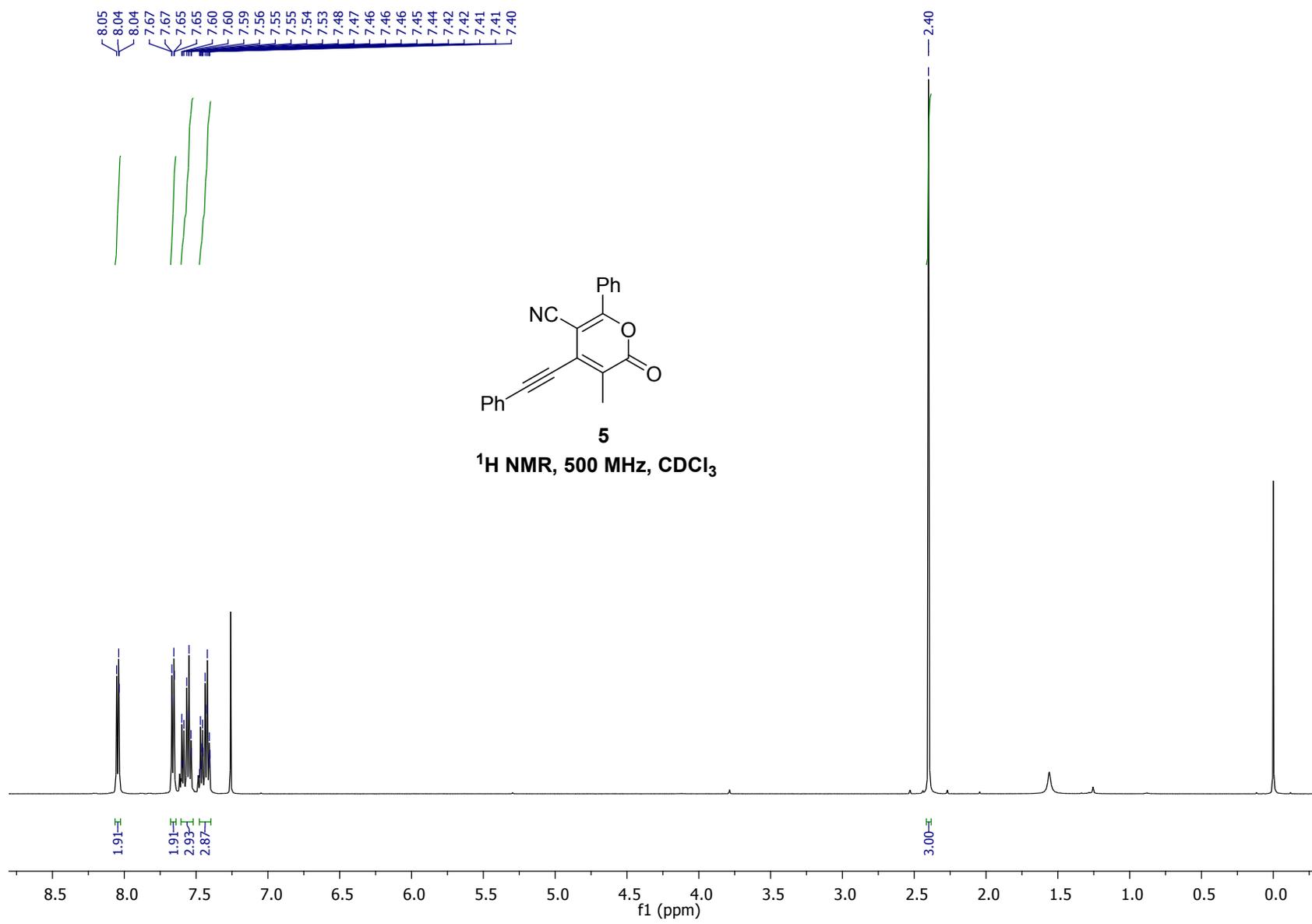


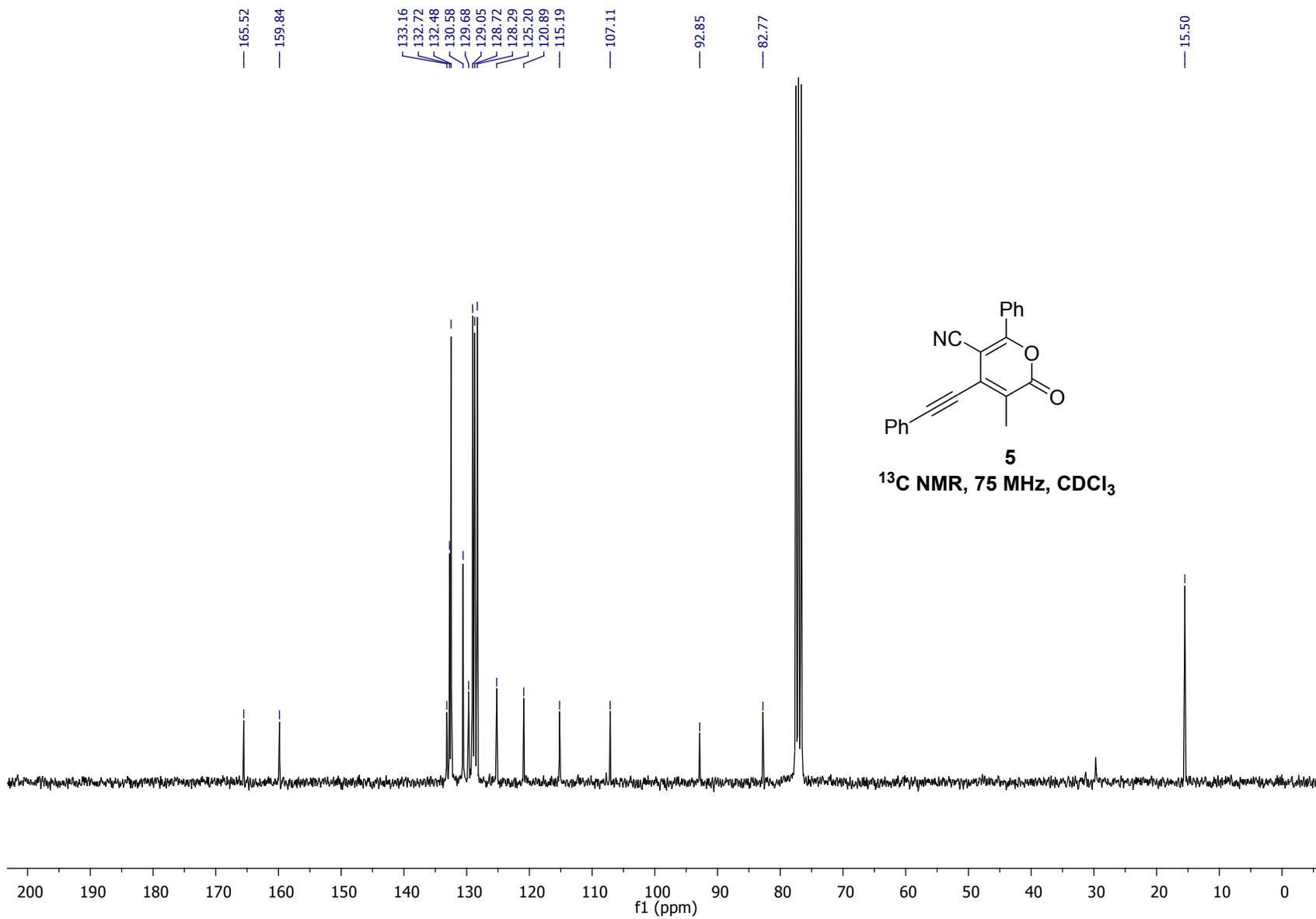


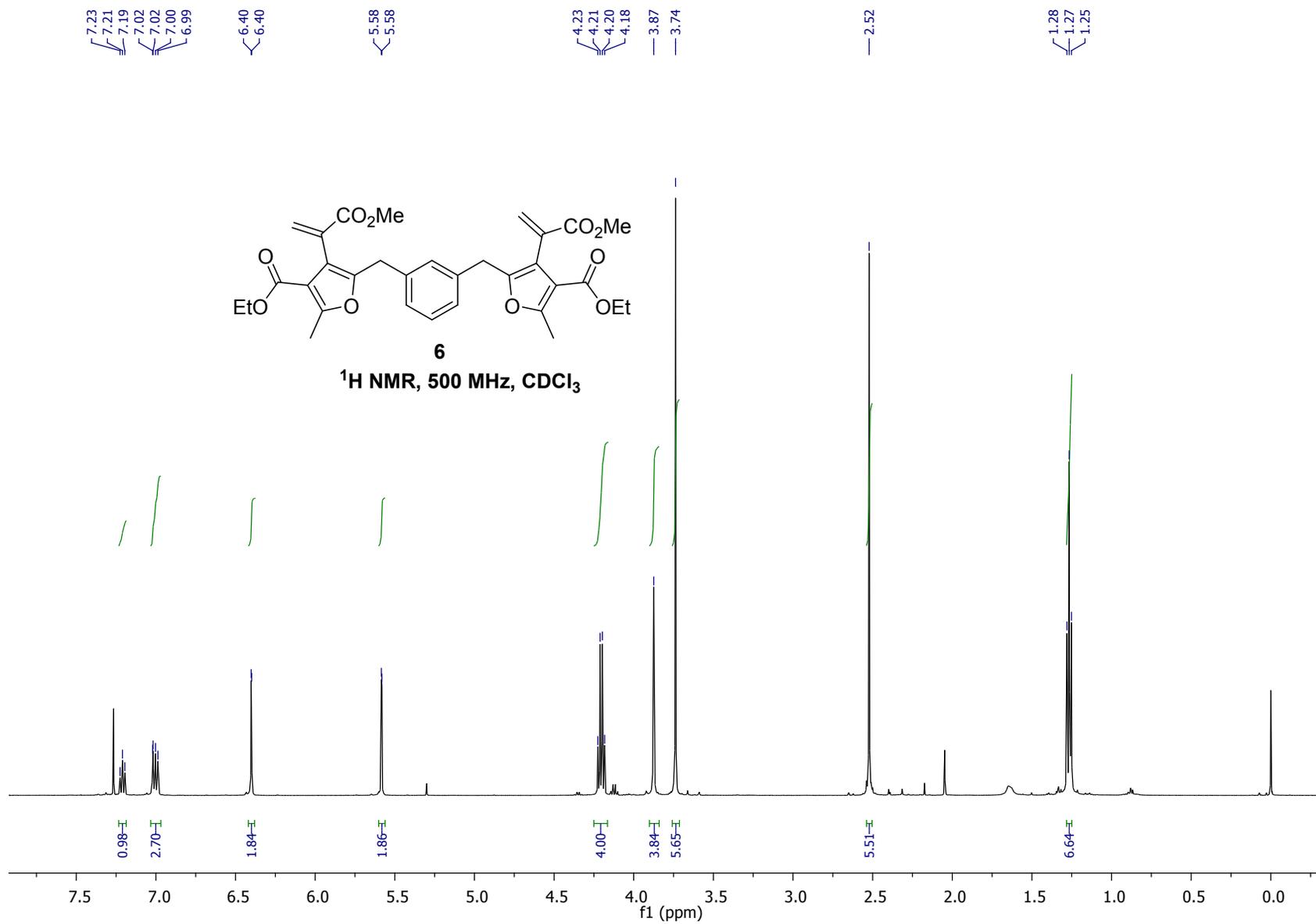


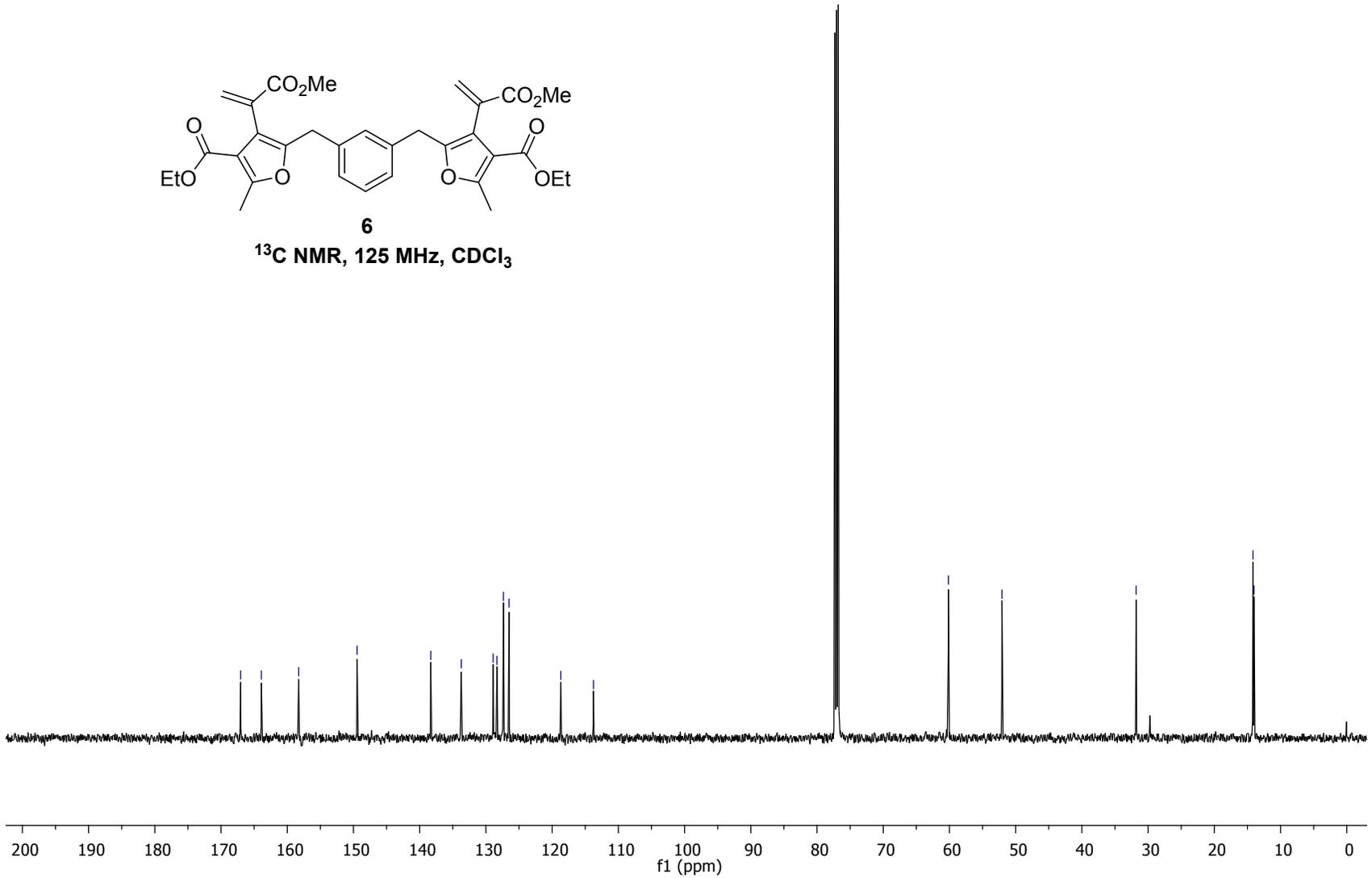
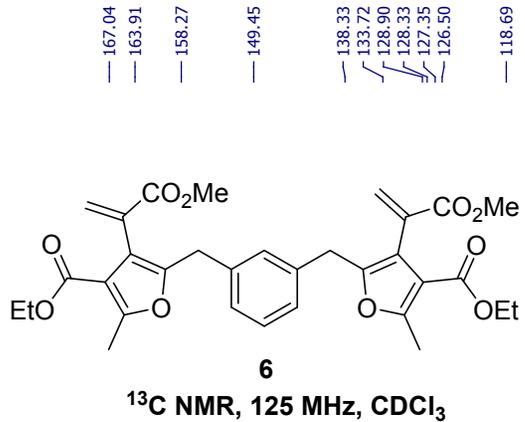


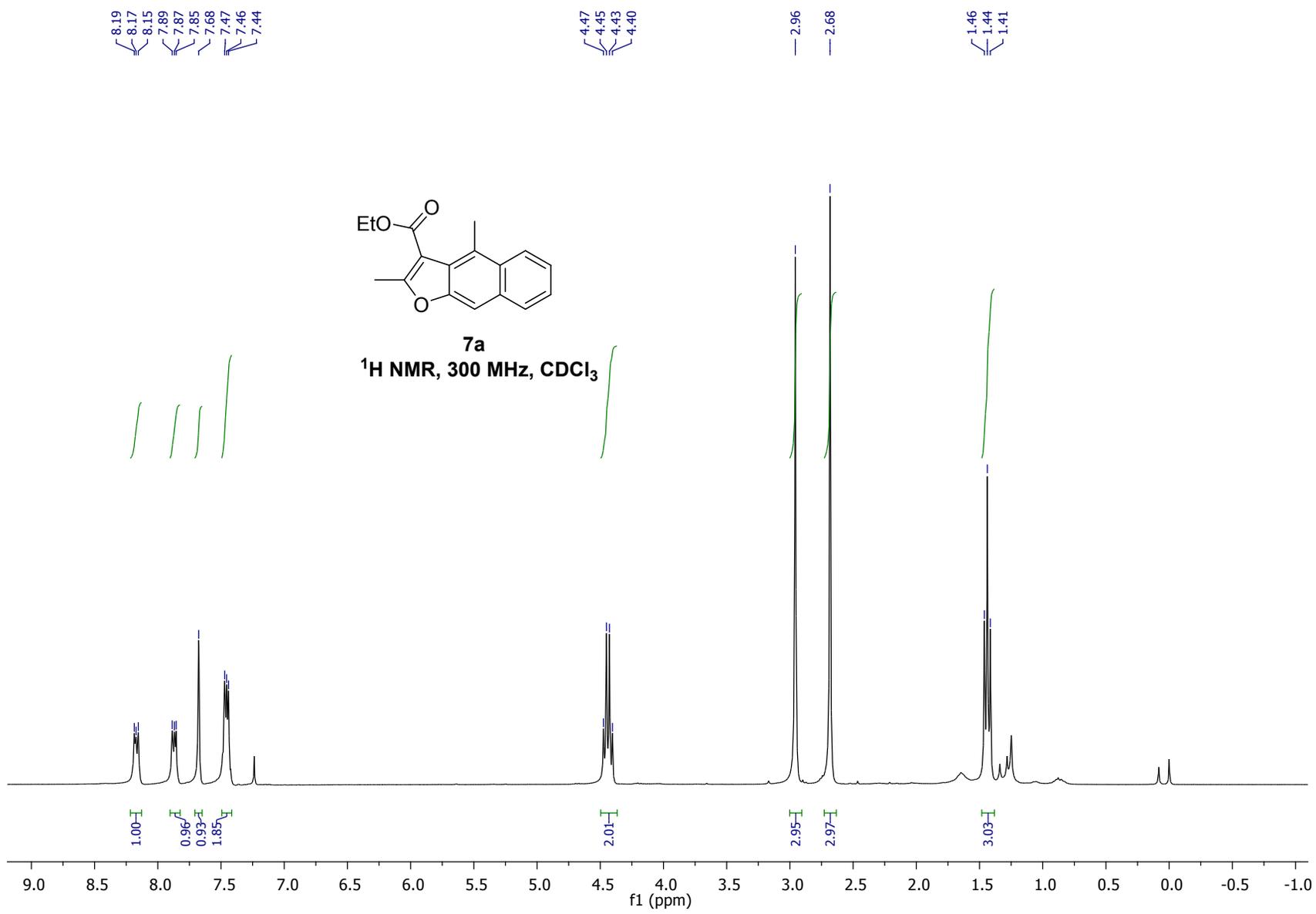


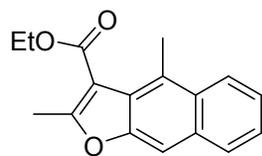












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