

**Supporting Information  
for:**

**Unified mild reaction conditions for C2-selective Pd-catalysed tryptophan arylation, including tryptophan-containing peptides**

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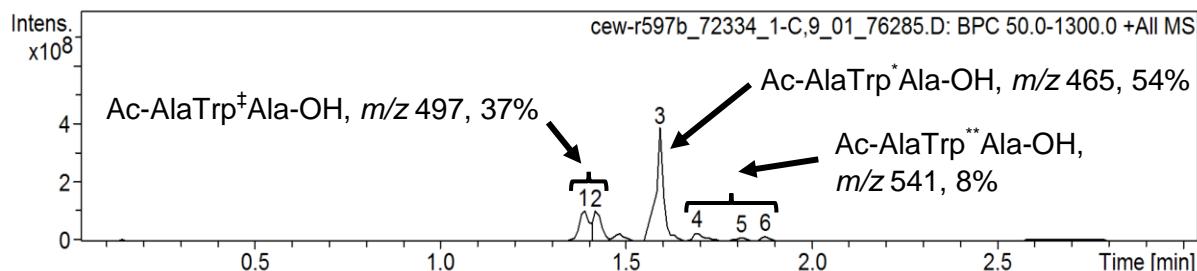
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## 1. Peptide Arylation HPLC Data

HPLC data for arylated peptides **4** and **6** are given in our preliminary communication on this work.<sup>1</sup>

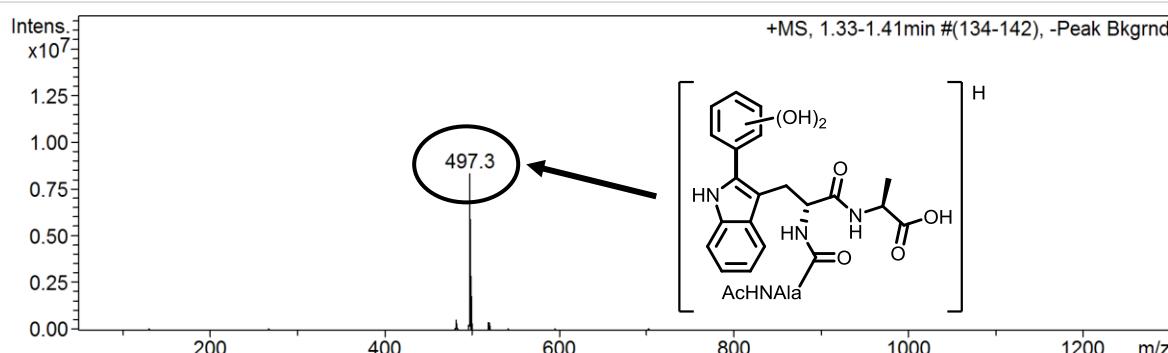
### Arylated product of Ac-AlaTrpAla-OH **7, 8**

HPLC-ESI-MS chromatogram (BPC) of the crude reaction material from **Method A** (arylated tryptophan donated Trp<sup>\*</sup>, diarylated tryptophans donated Trp<sup>\*\*</sup>, dihydroxylated byproducts donated Trp<sup>†</sup>).

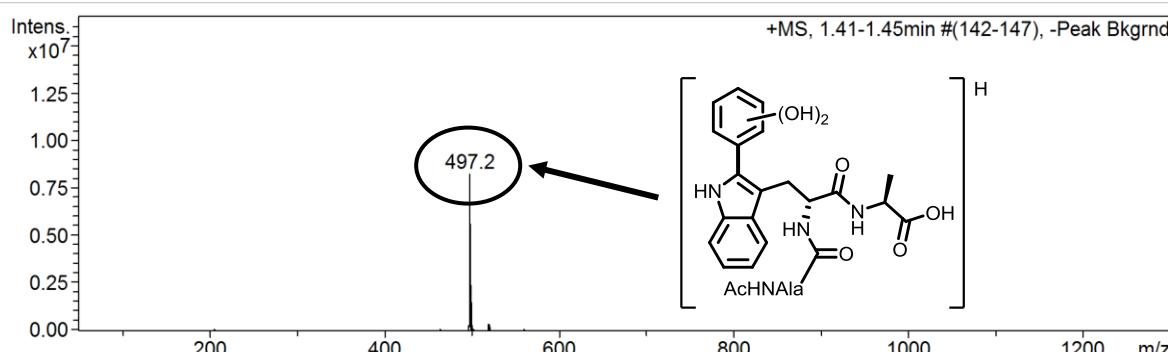


ESI-MS of the crude reaction material.

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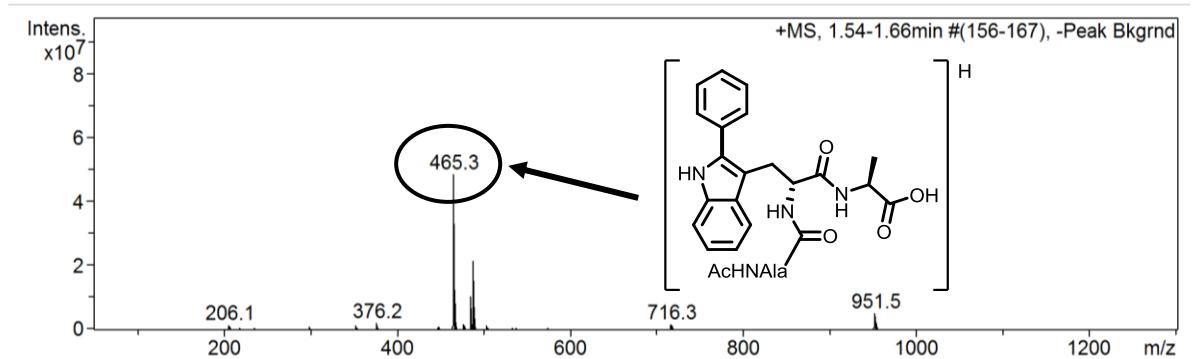


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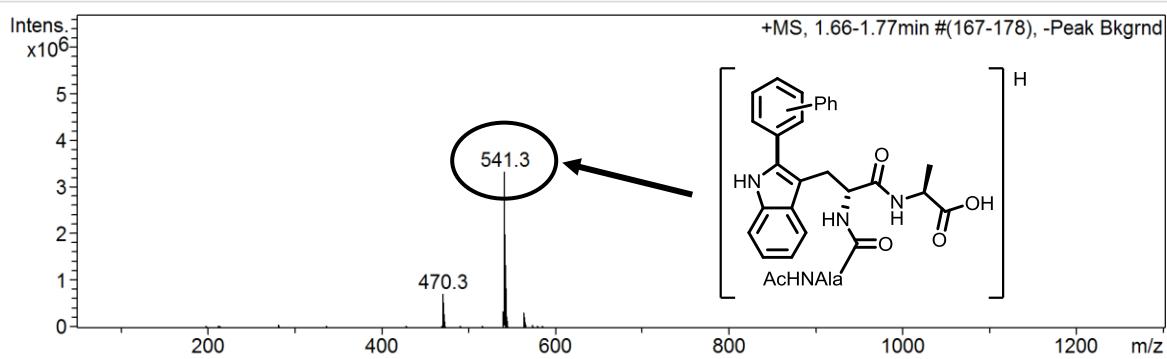


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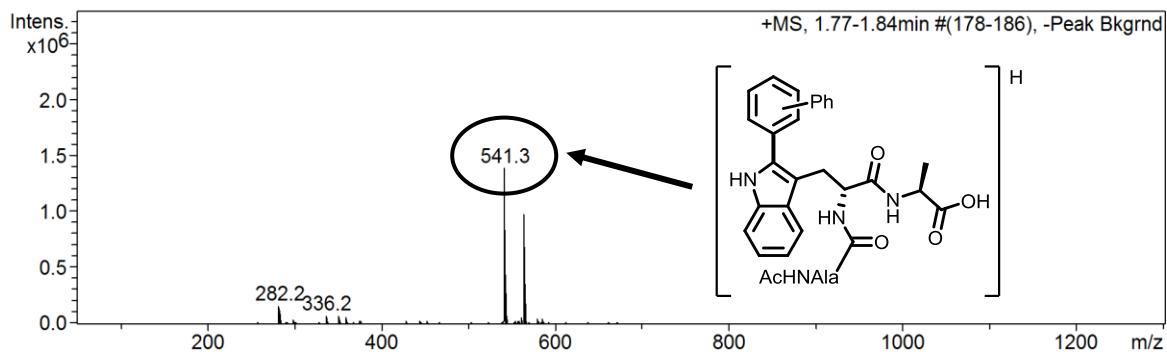
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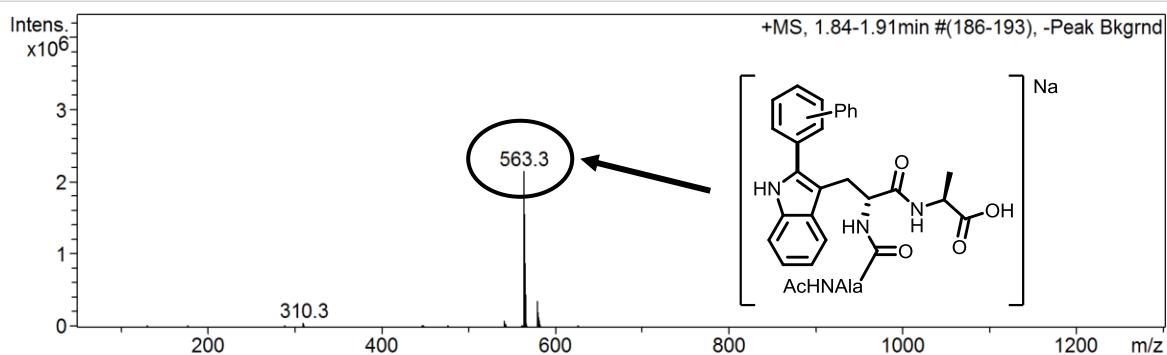
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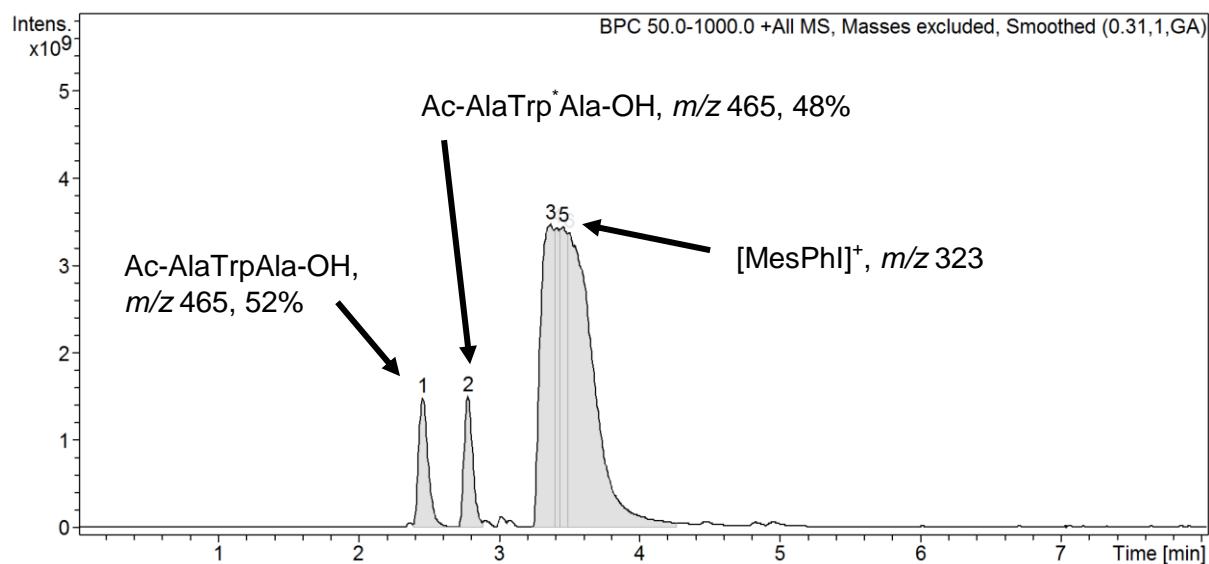
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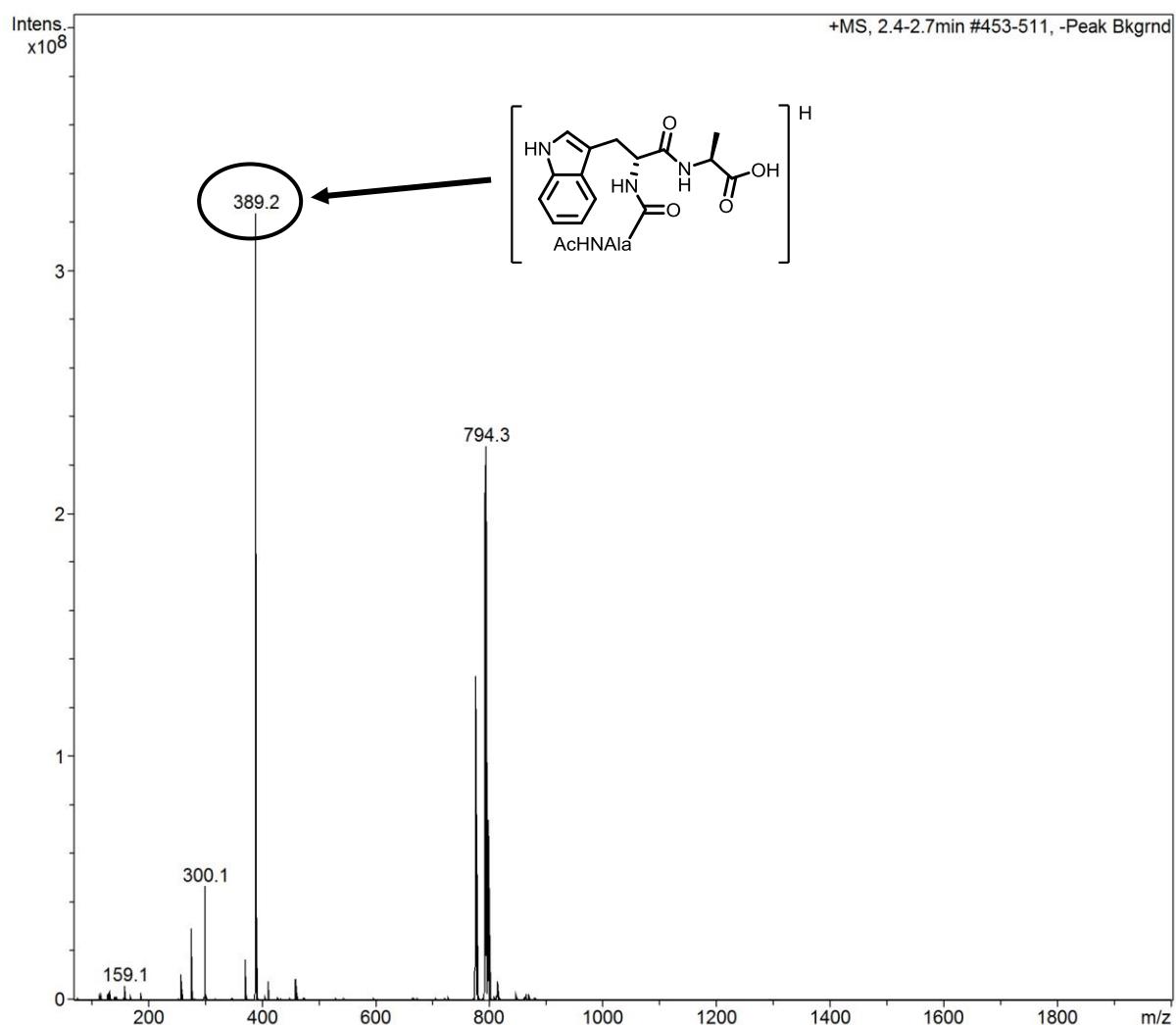


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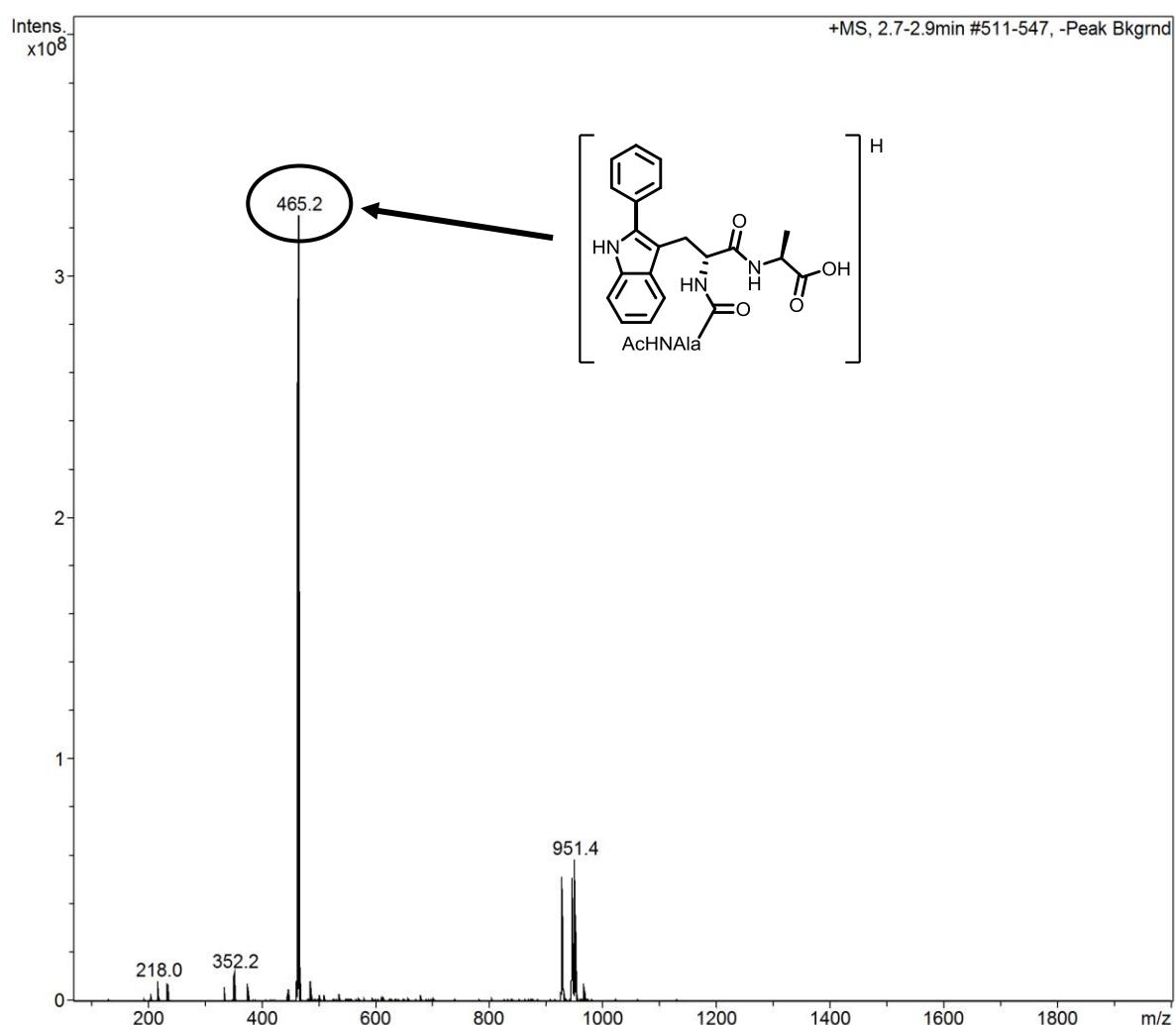


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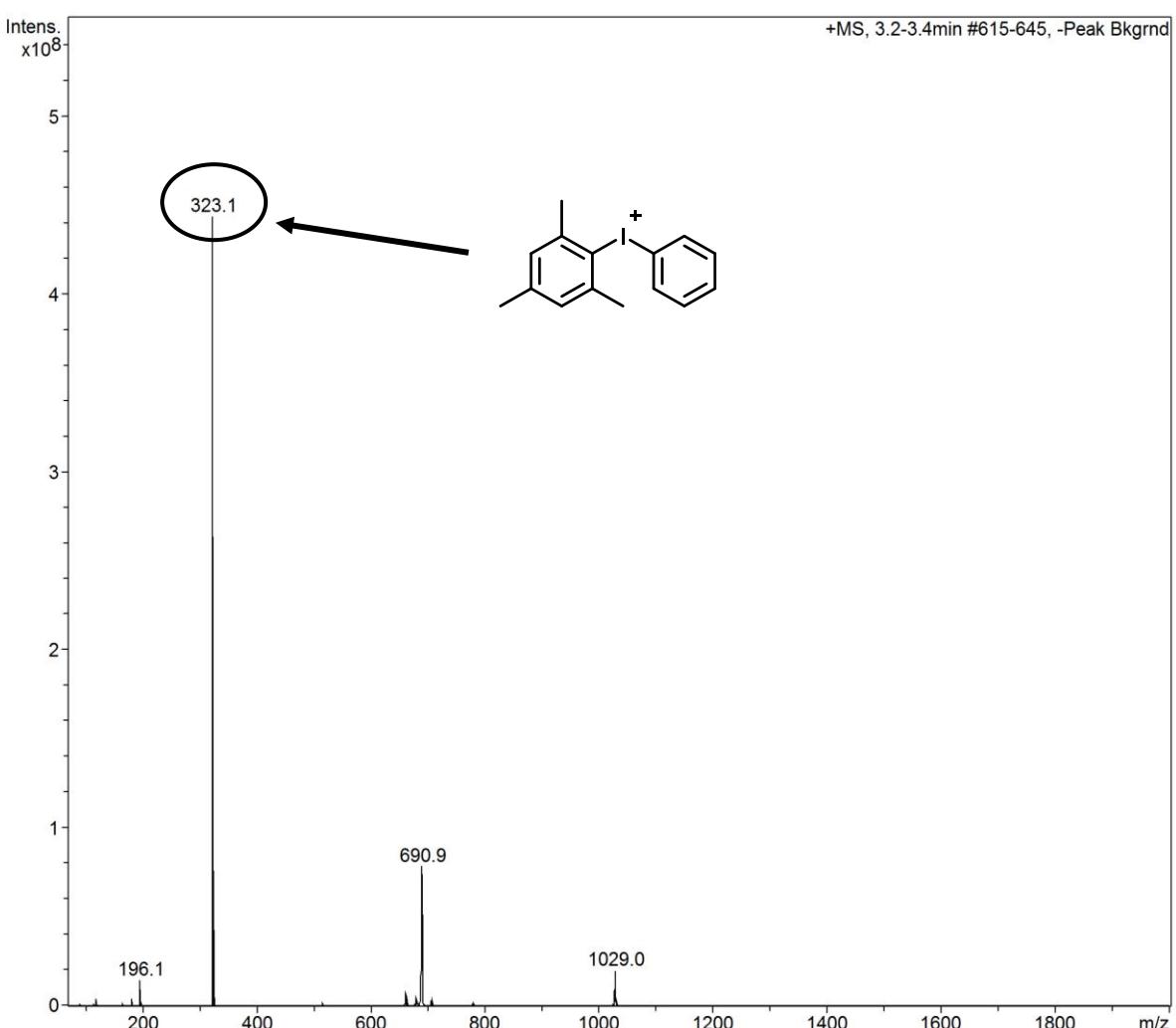
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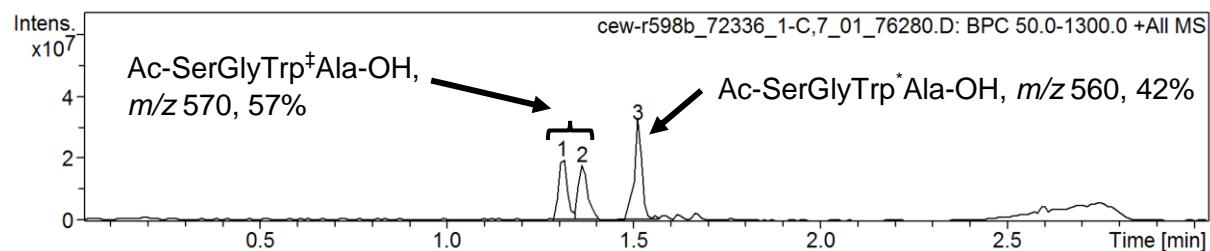


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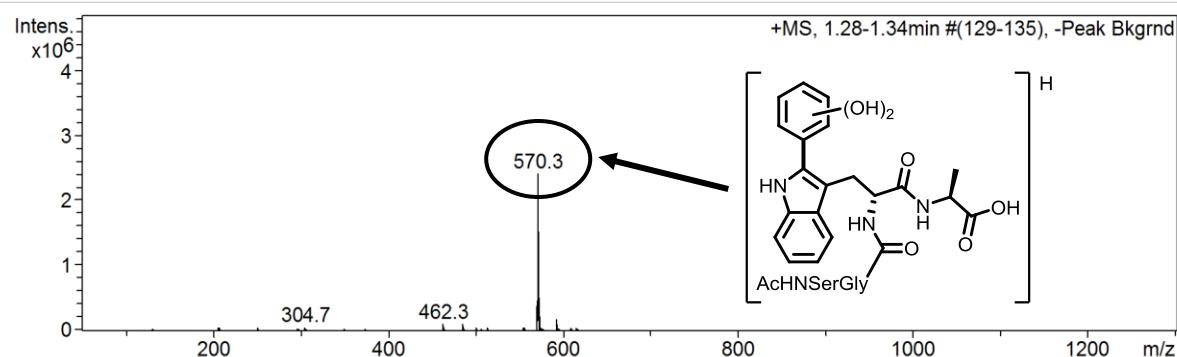
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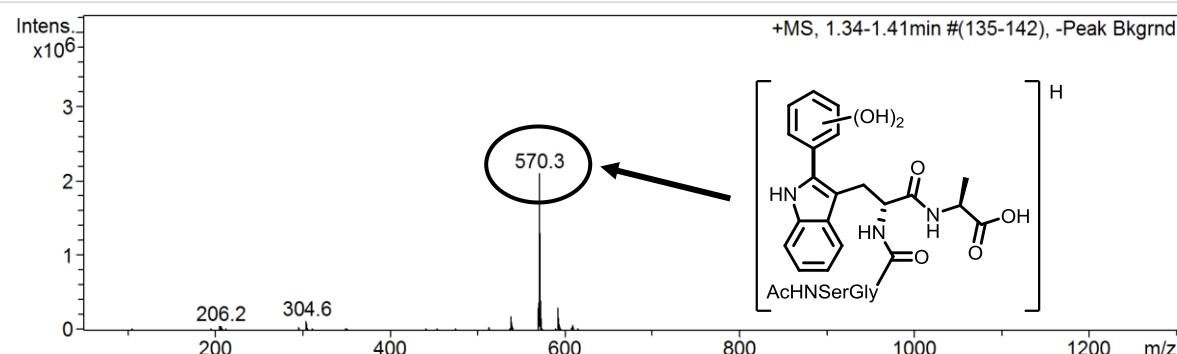


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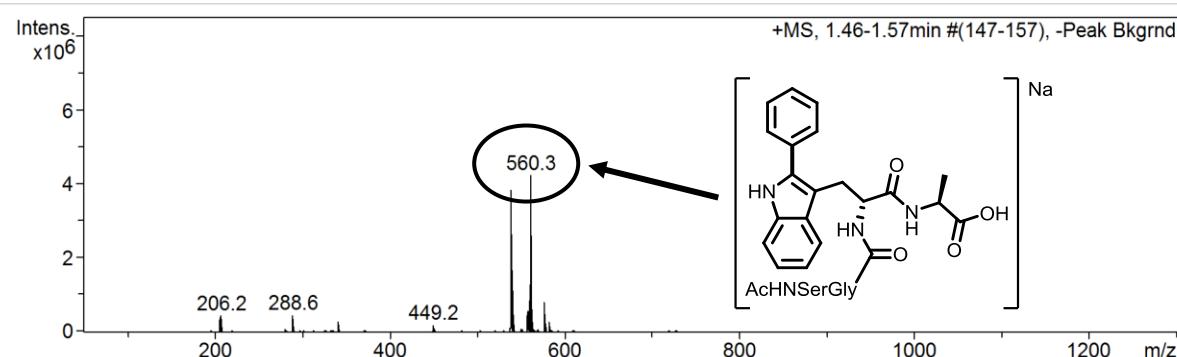
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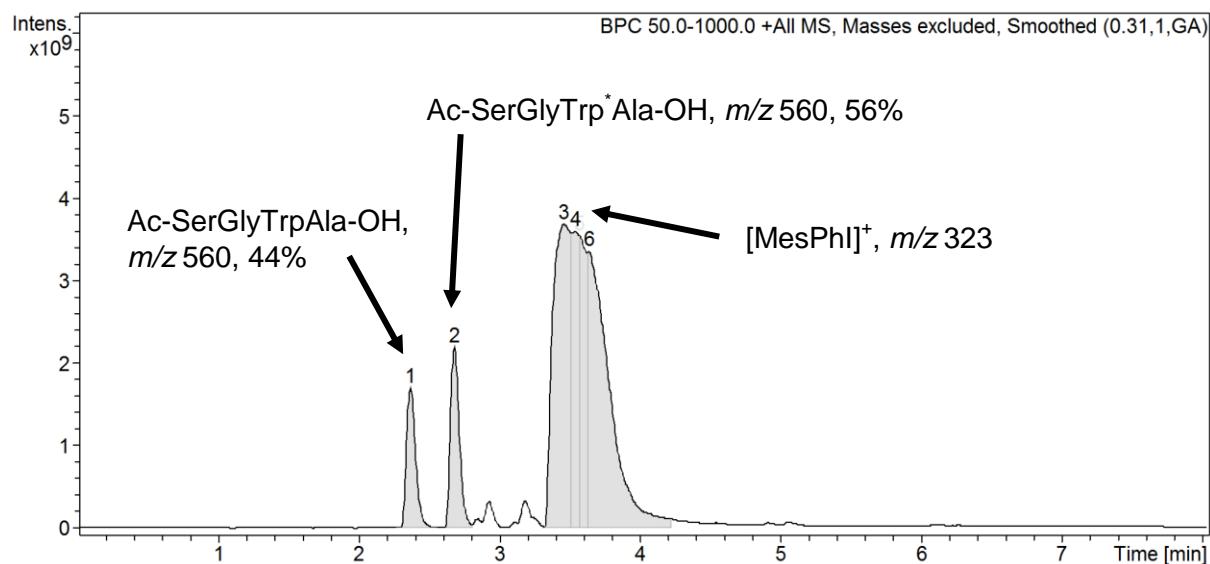
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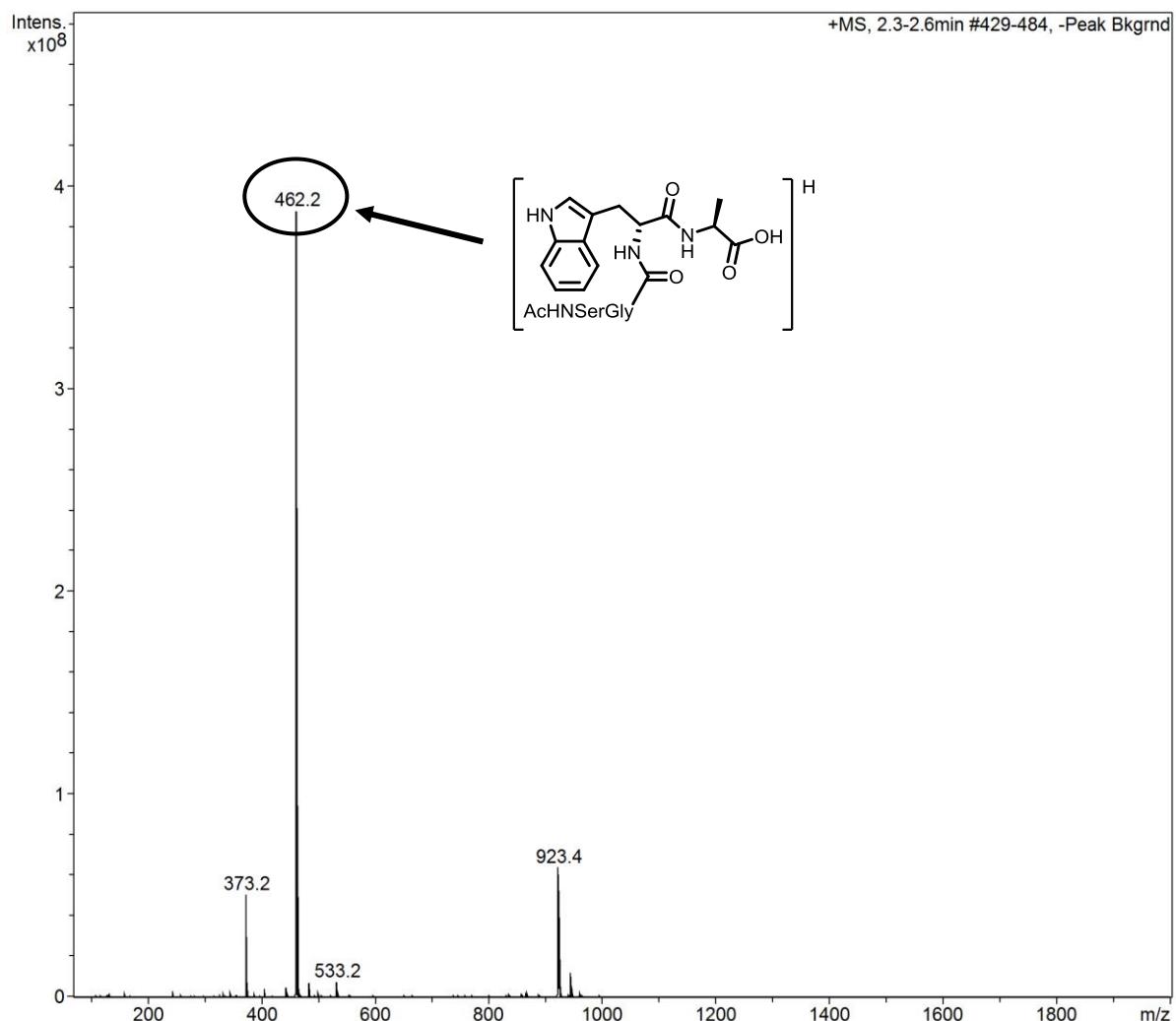


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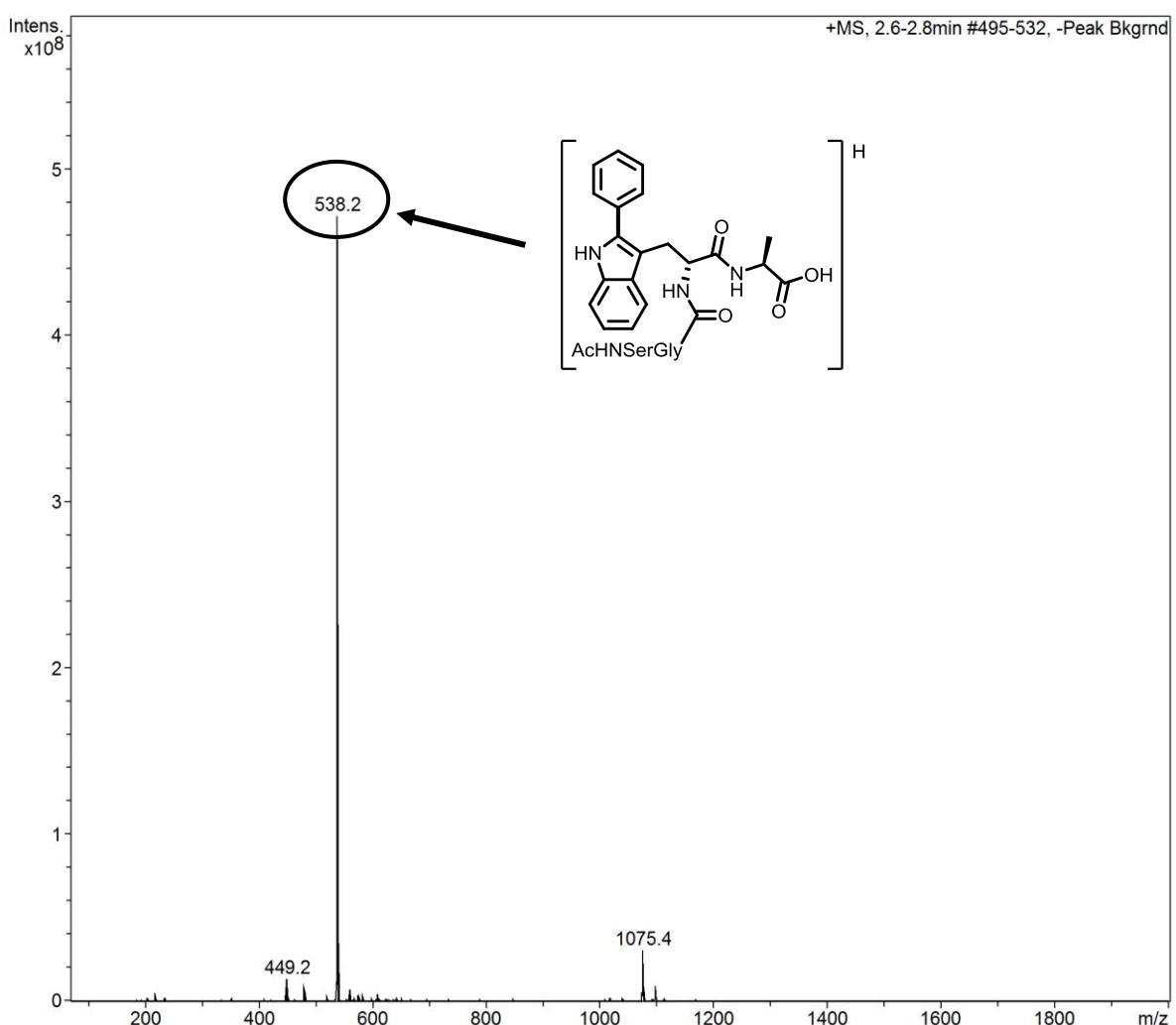


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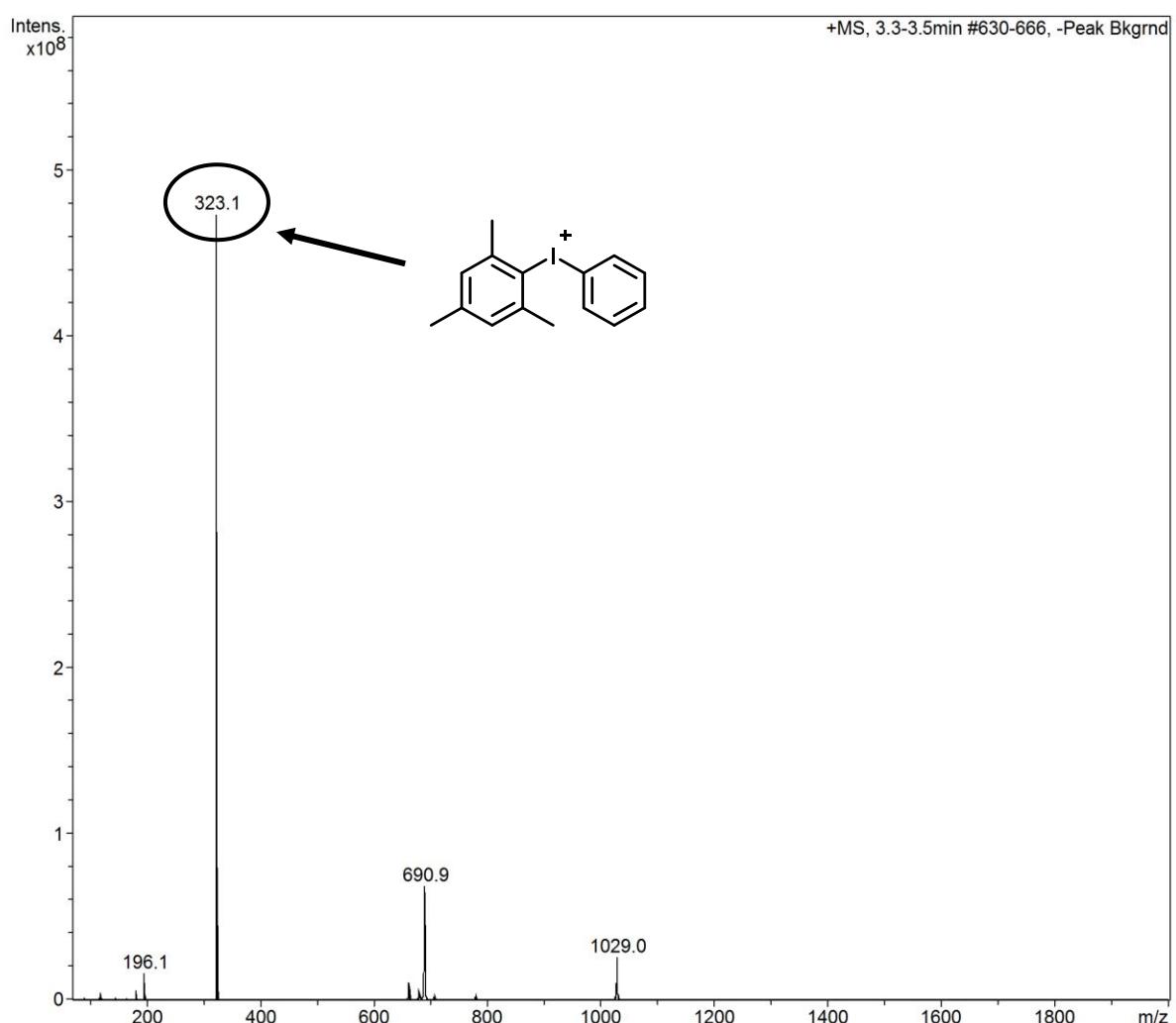
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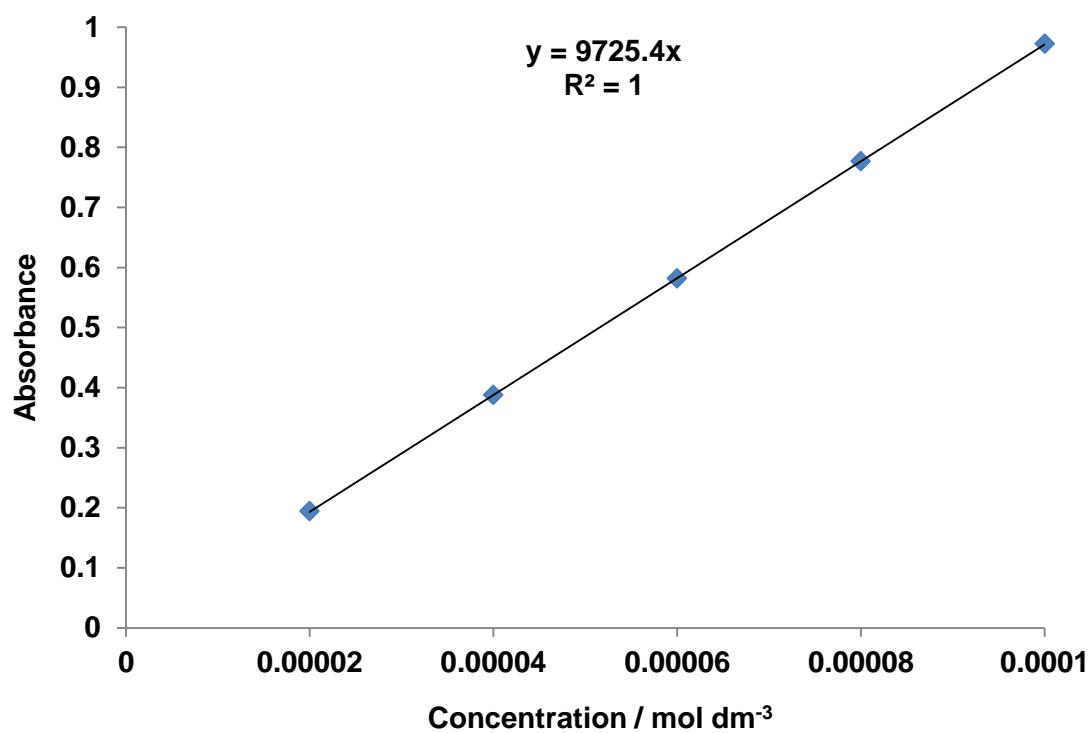
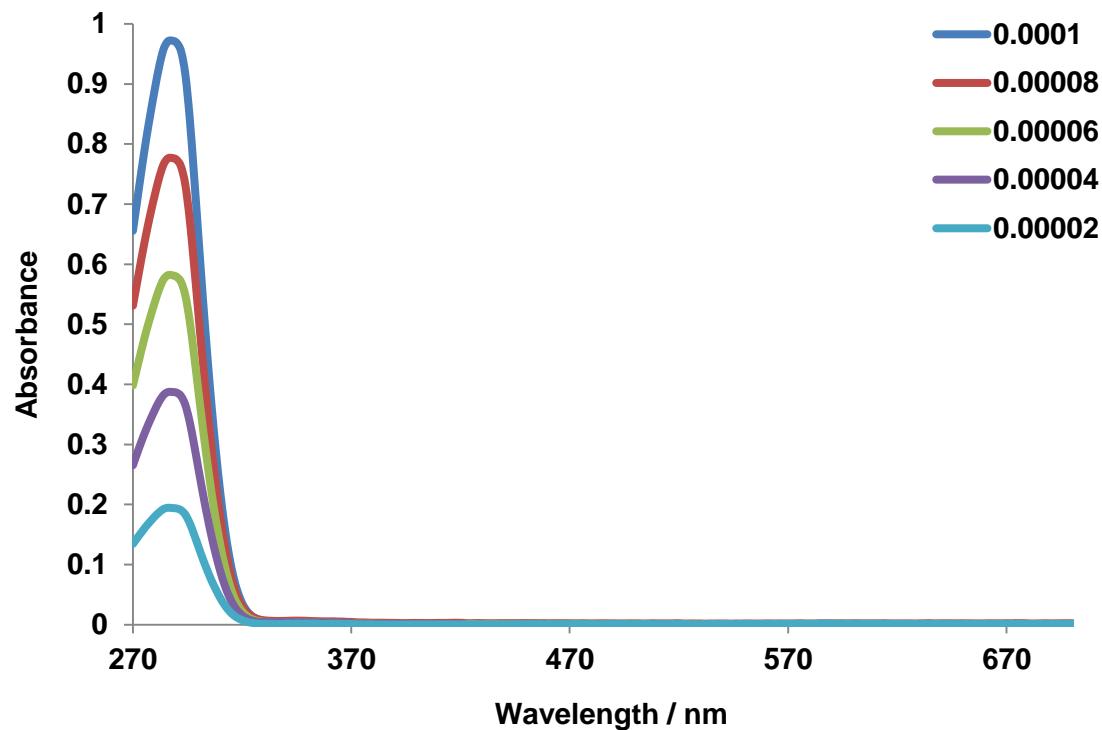


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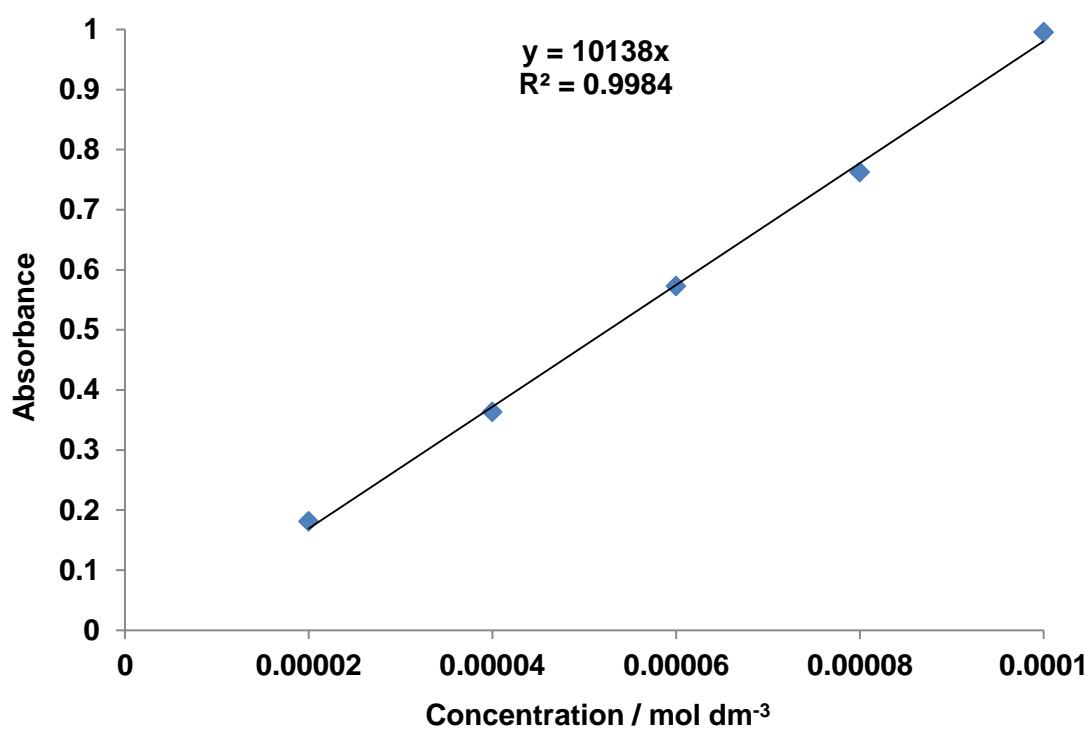
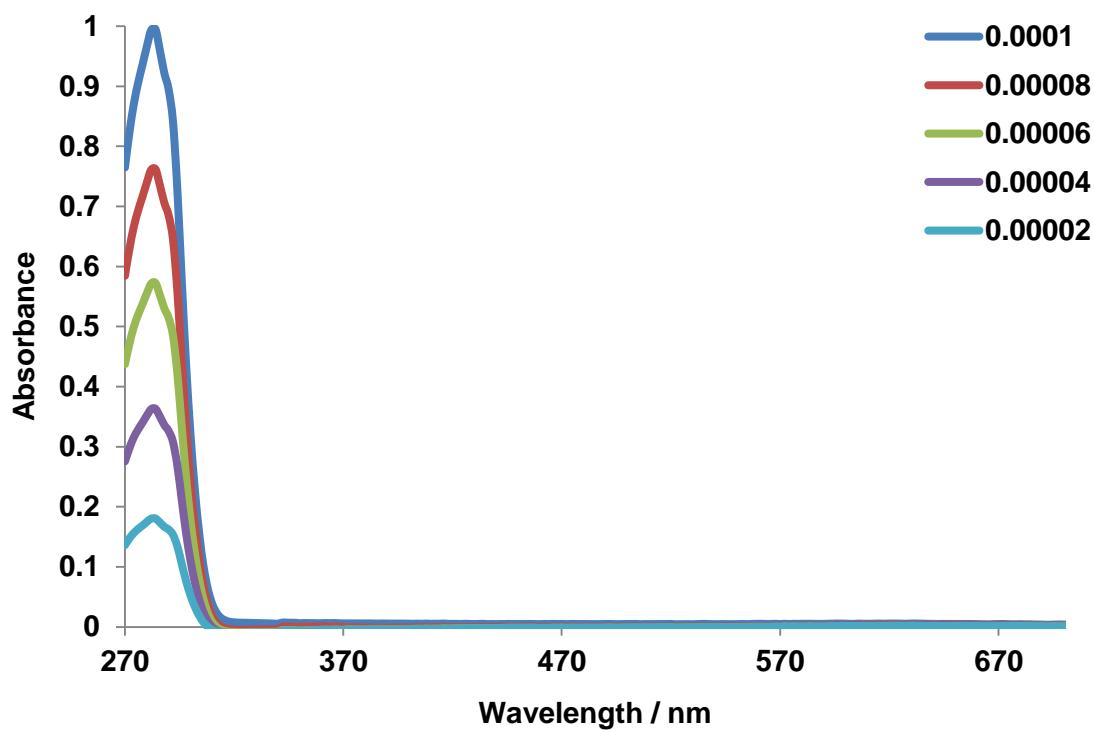


## 2. UV-Visible Spectroscopic Data

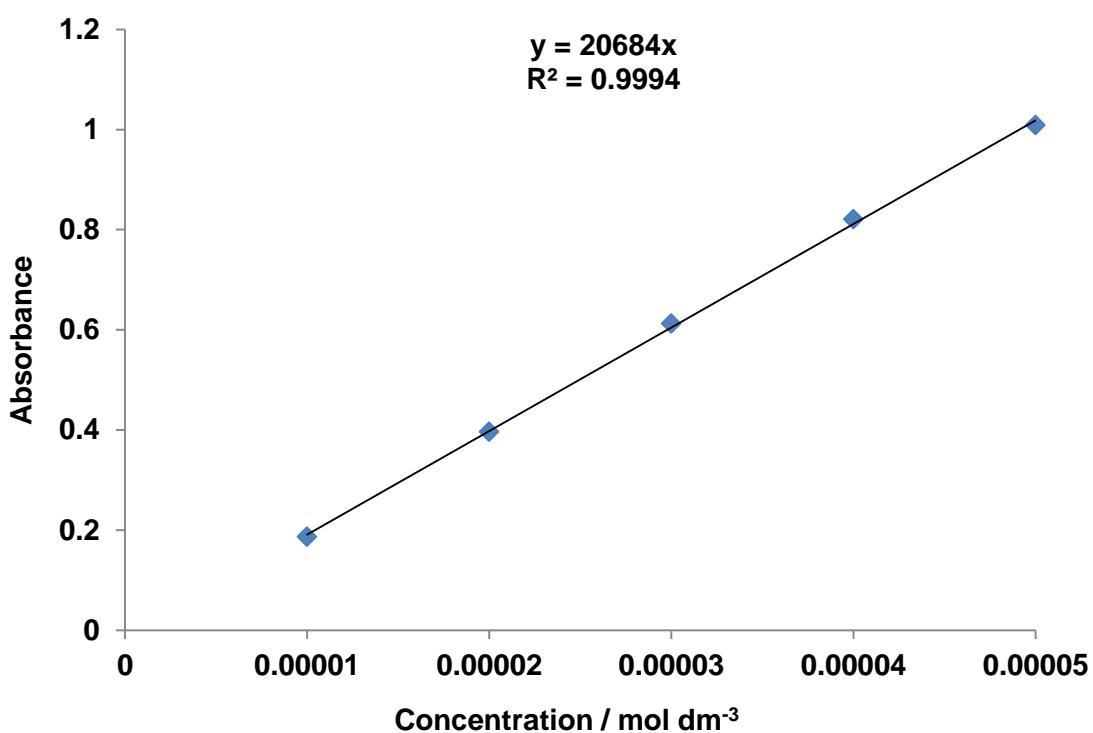
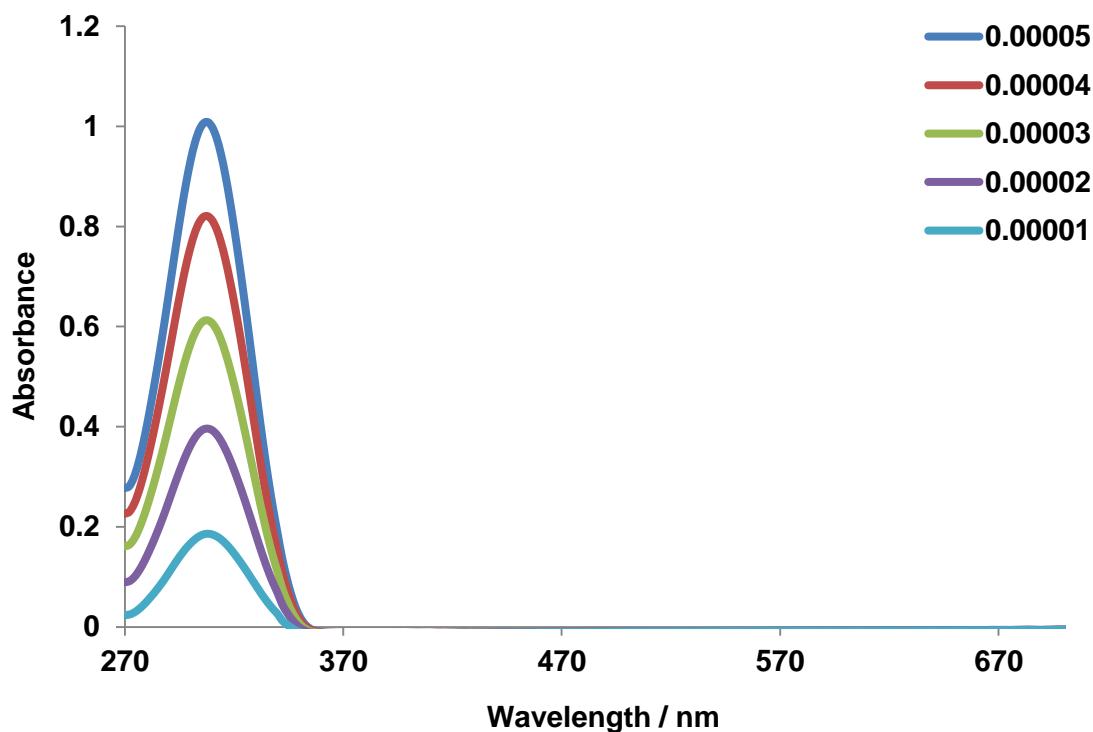
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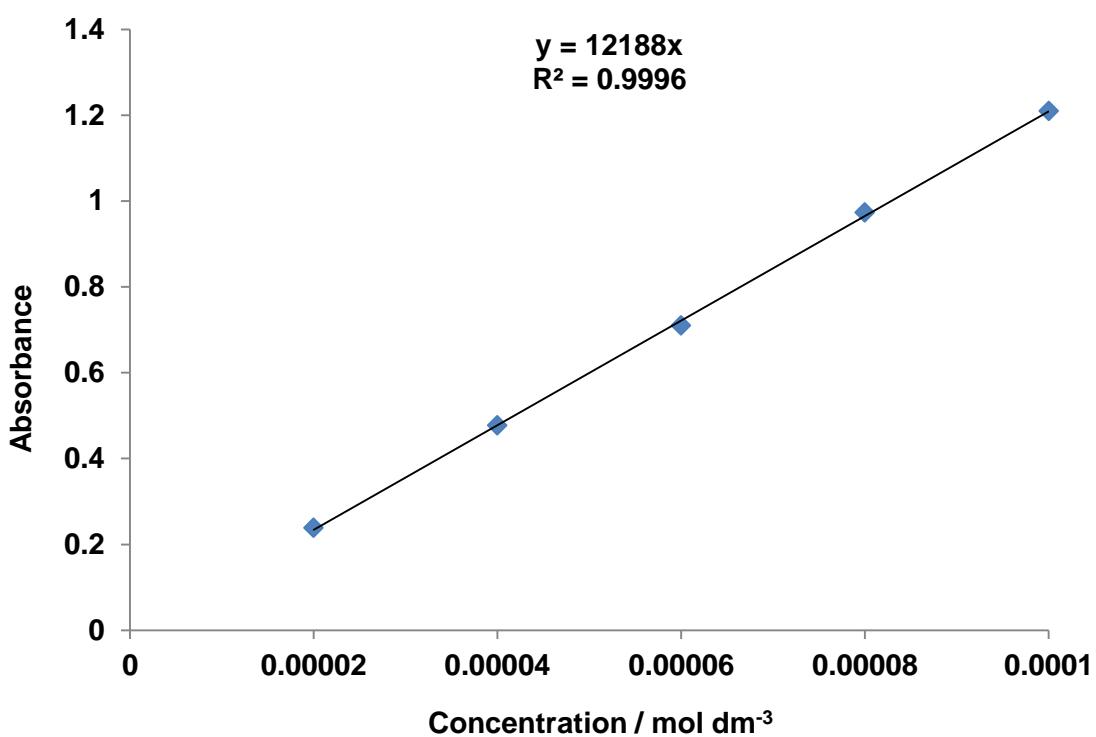
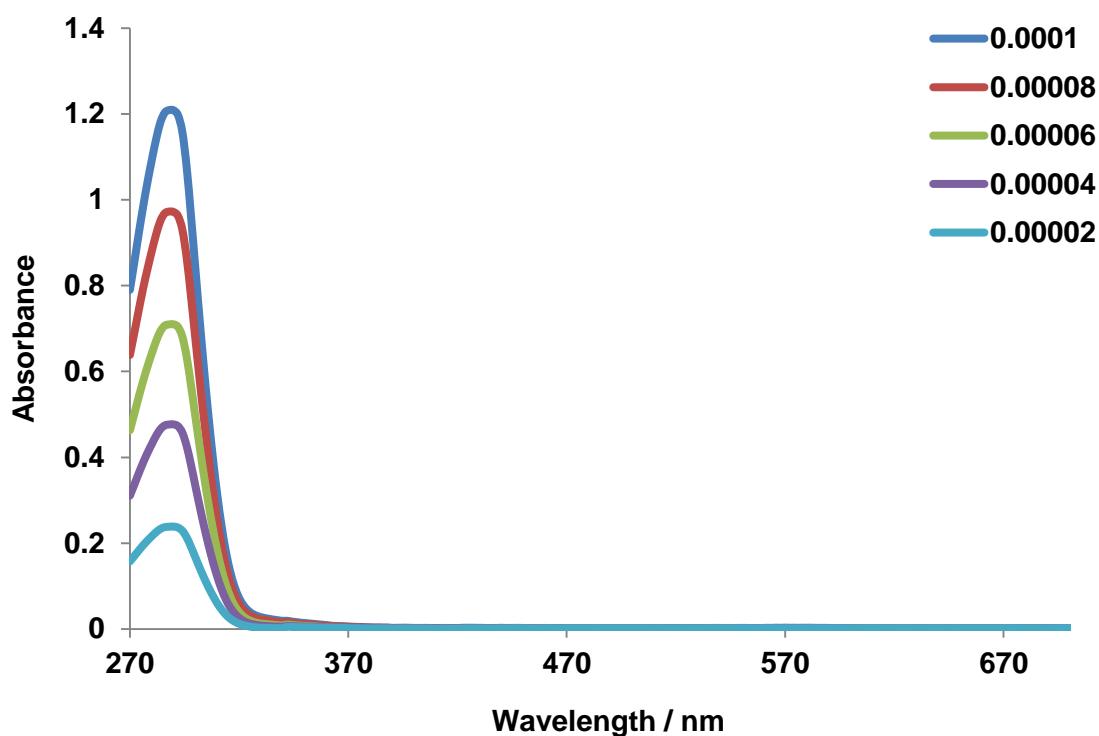
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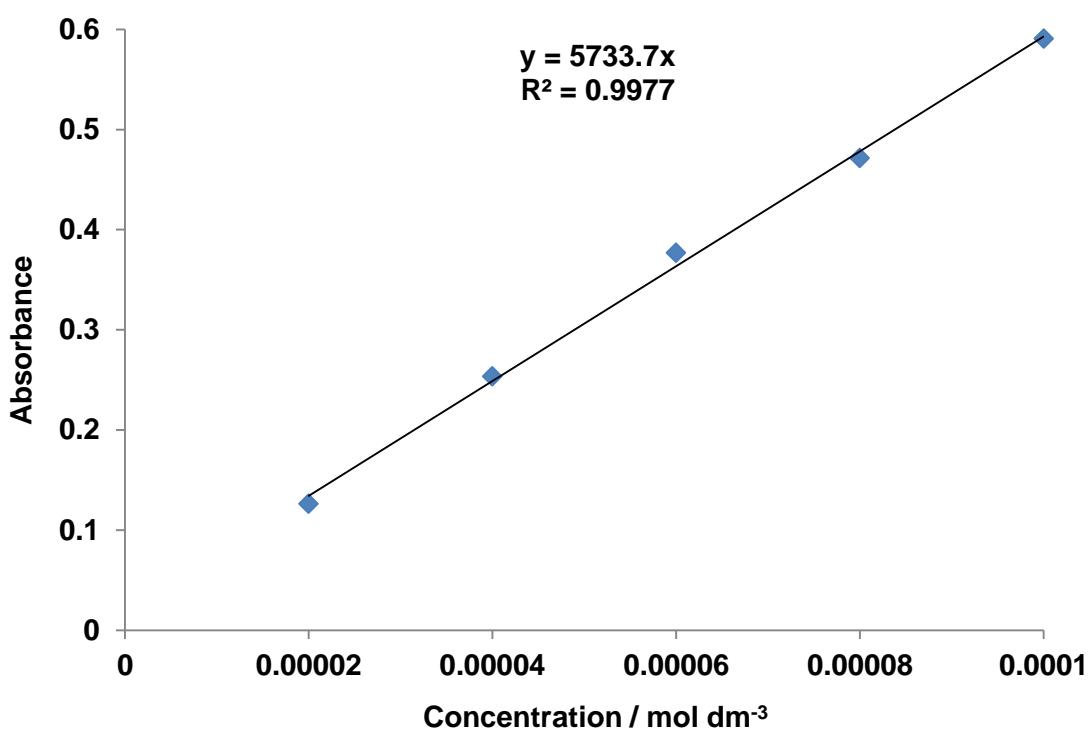
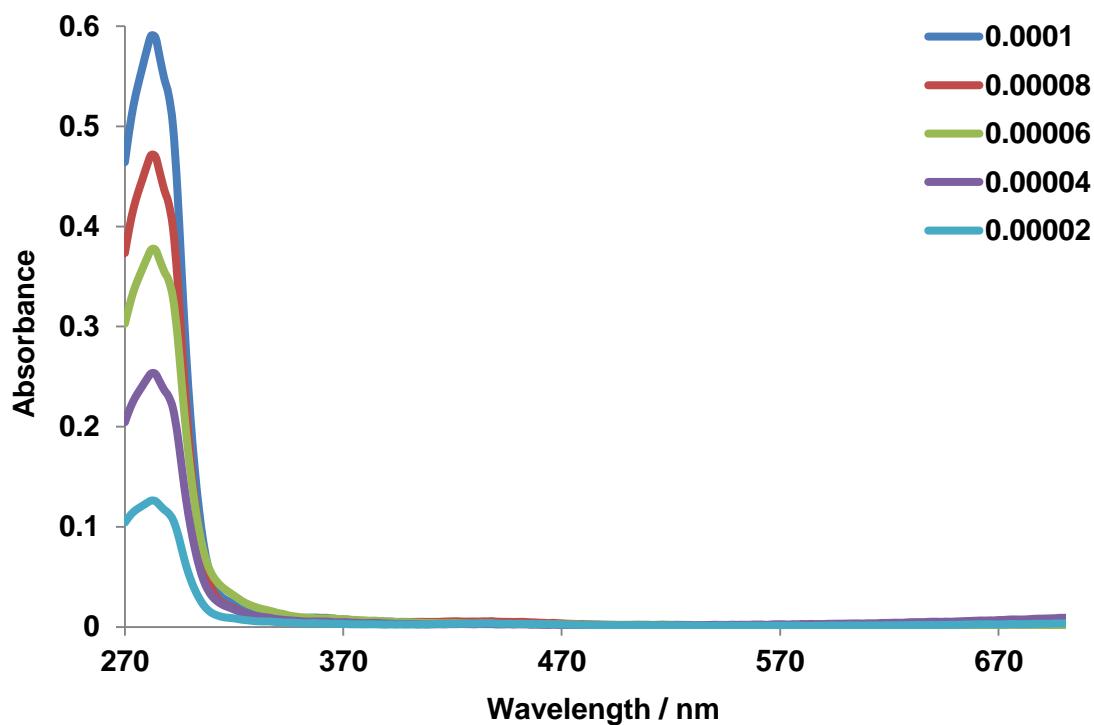
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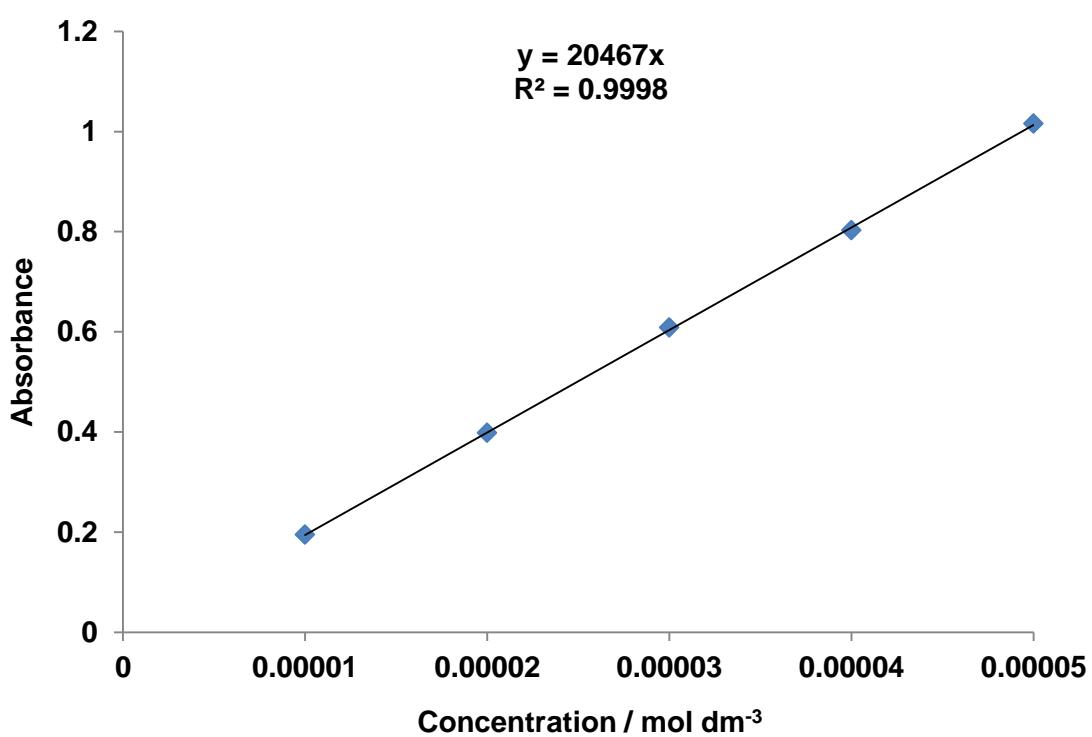
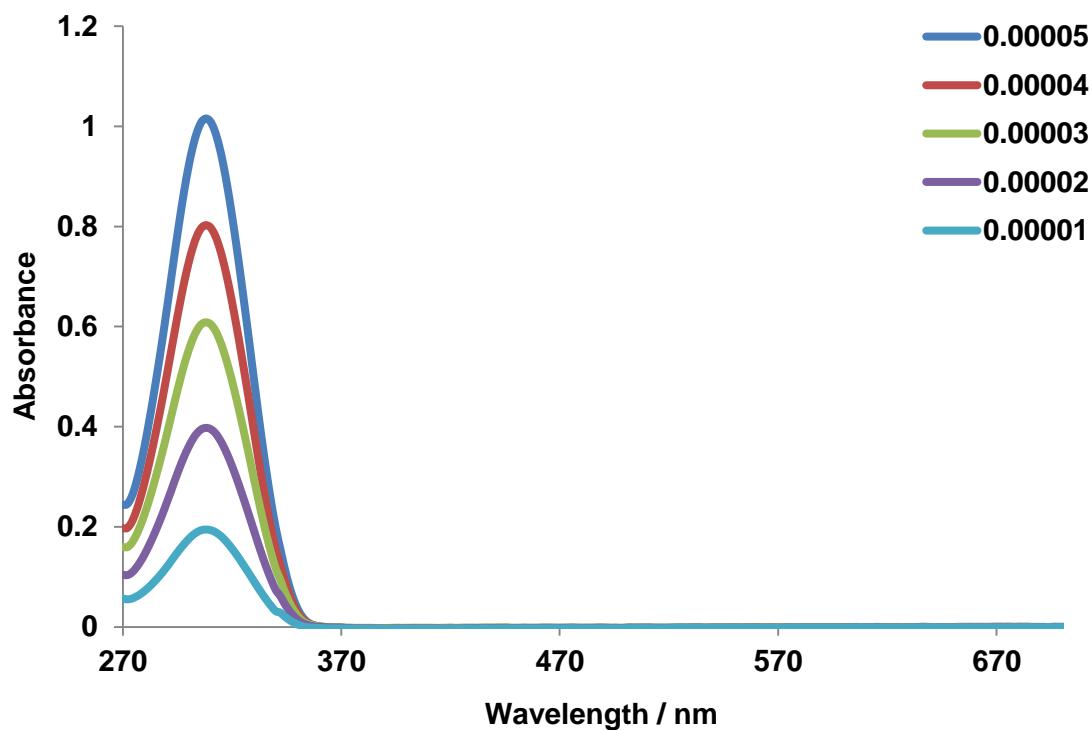
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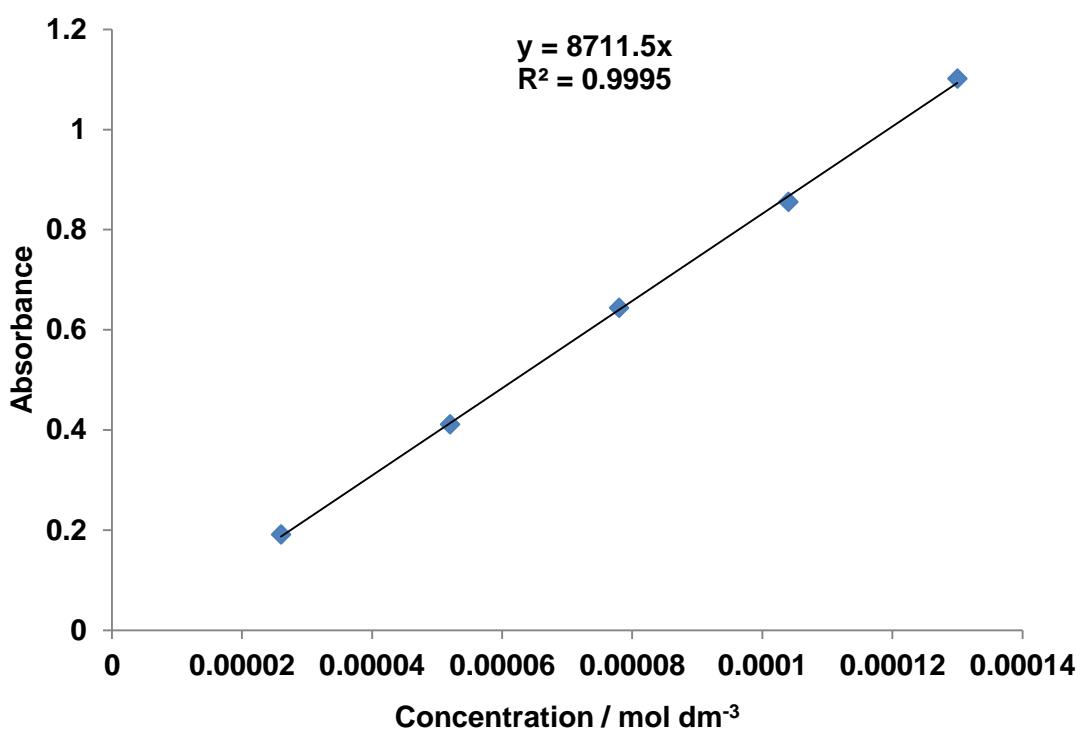
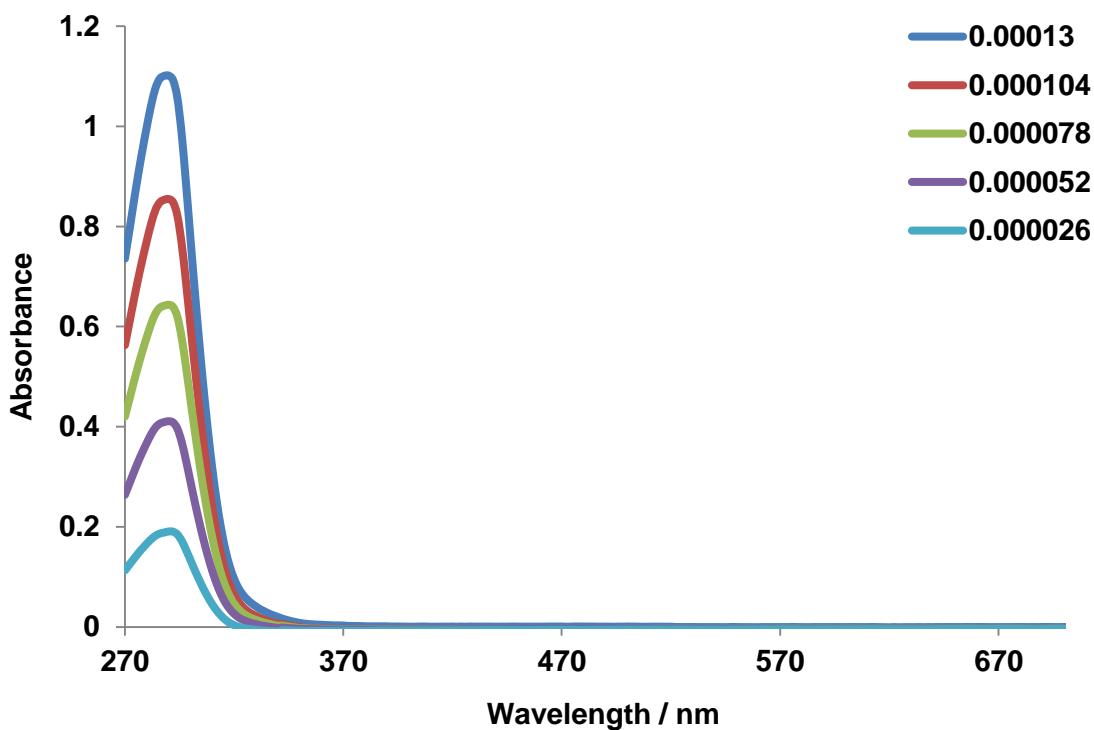
UV-visible spectroscopic analysis of **15** (concentration range in legend, mol dm<sup>-3</sup>)



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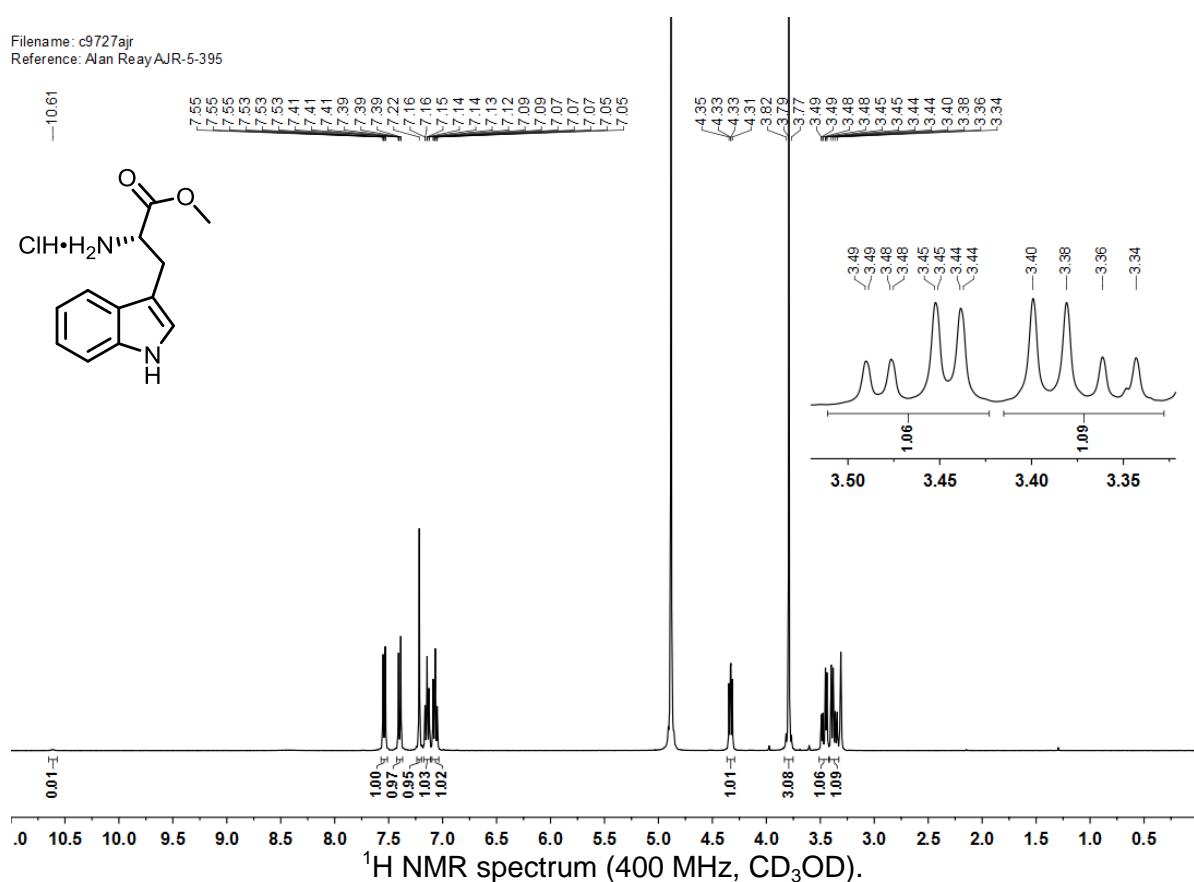
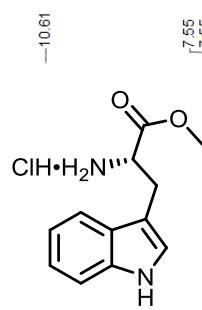


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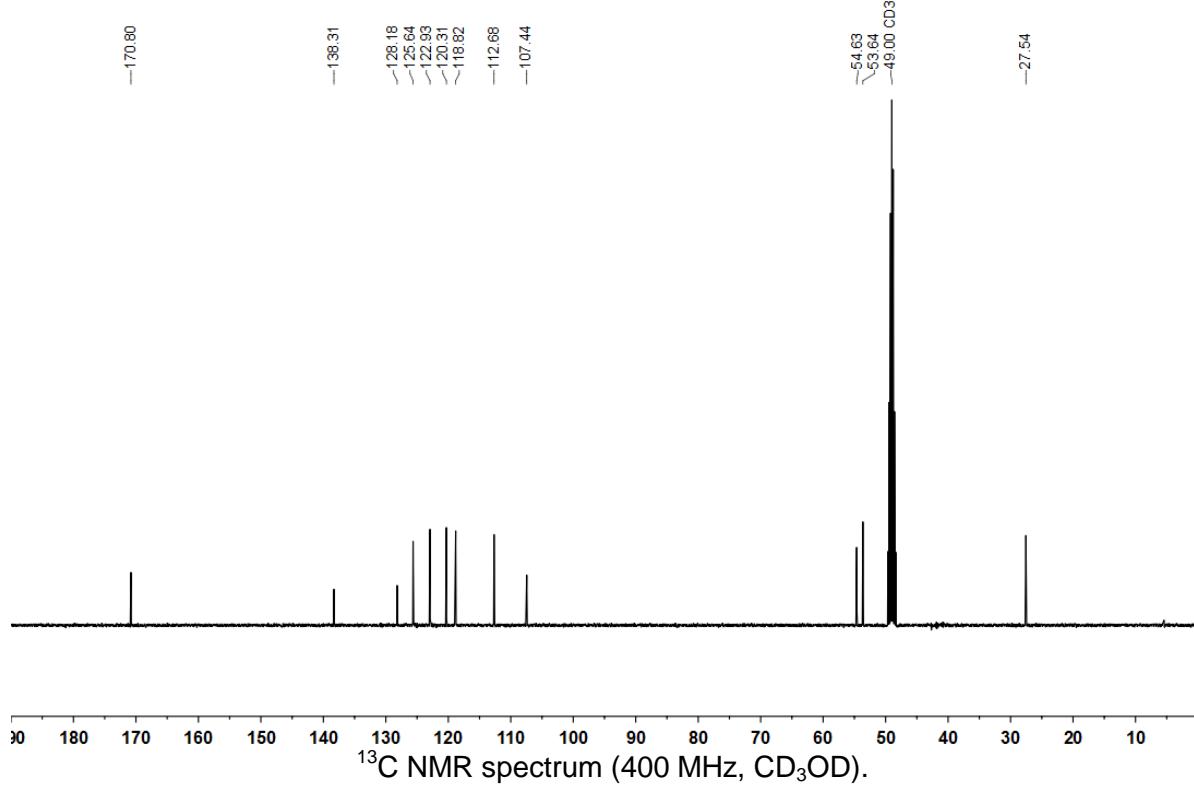
NMR spectra for compounds **2b**, **2e**, **3**, **4** and 2-Acetamidoacetic acid are given in our preliminary communication on this work.<sup>1</sup>

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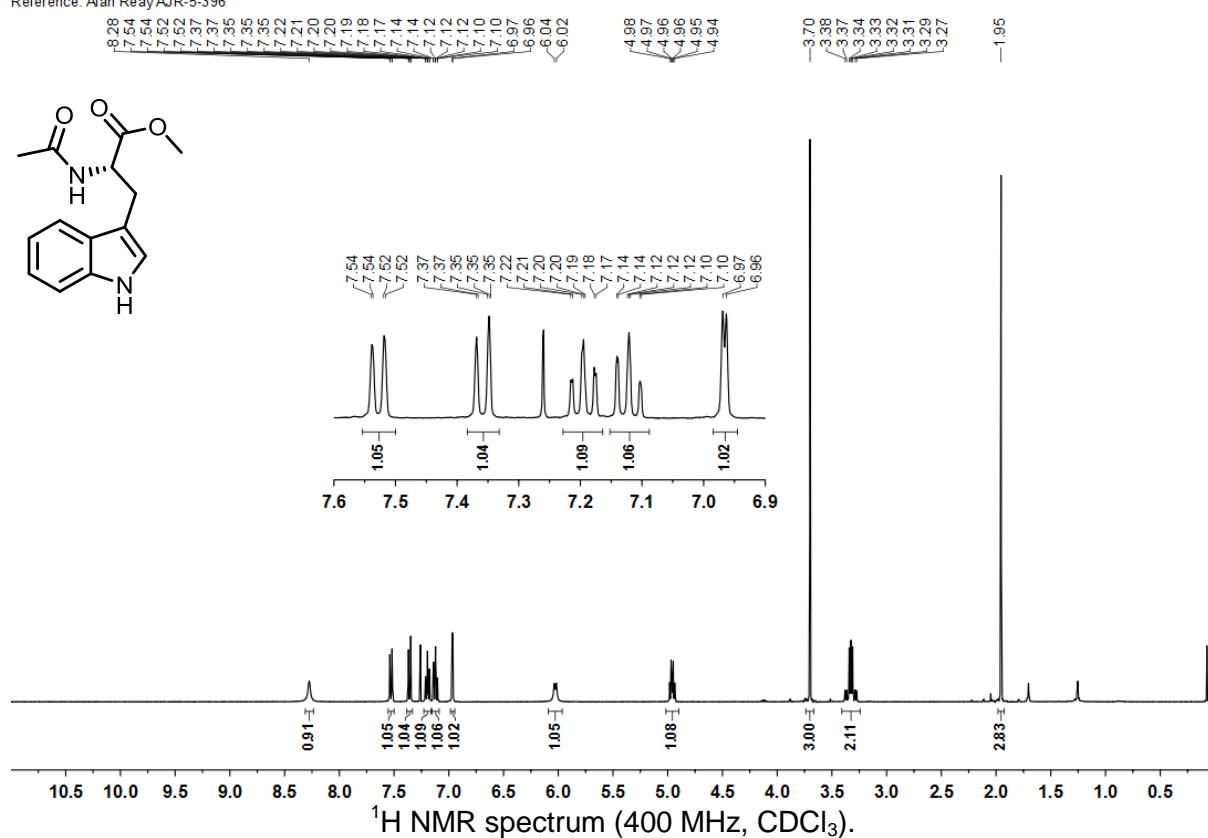


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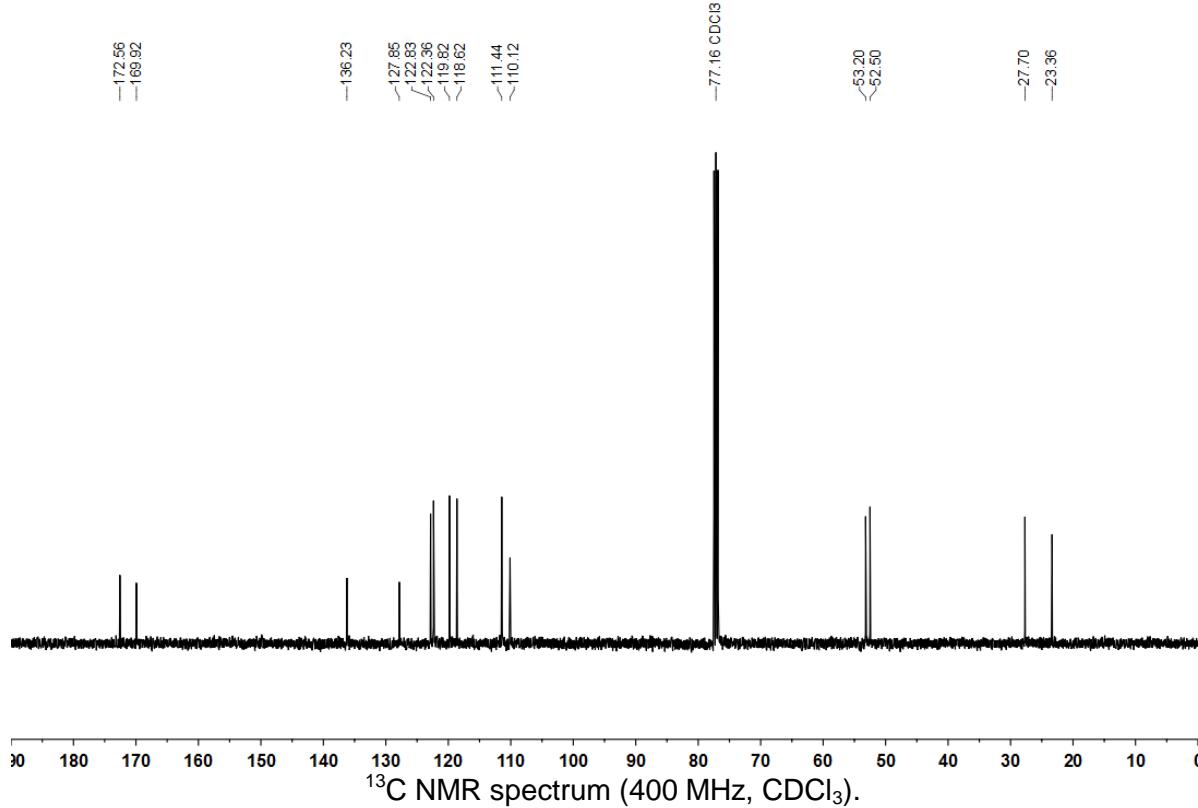


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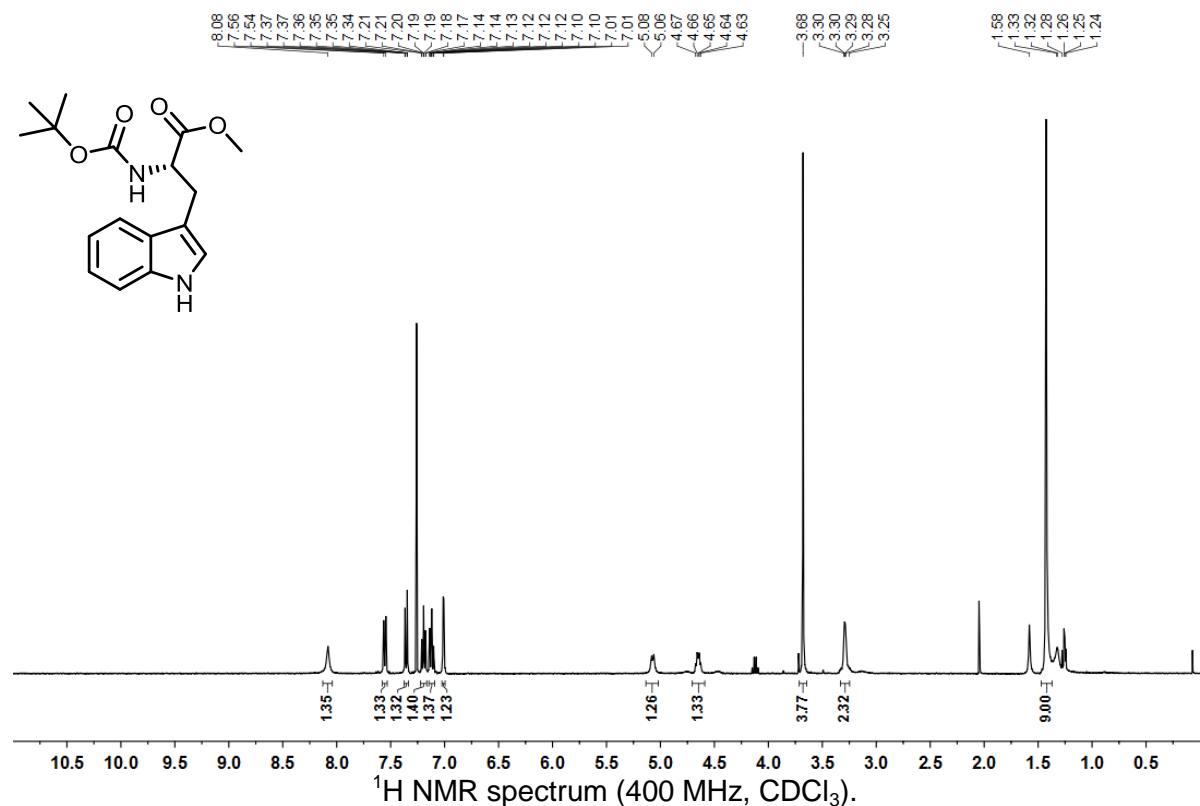


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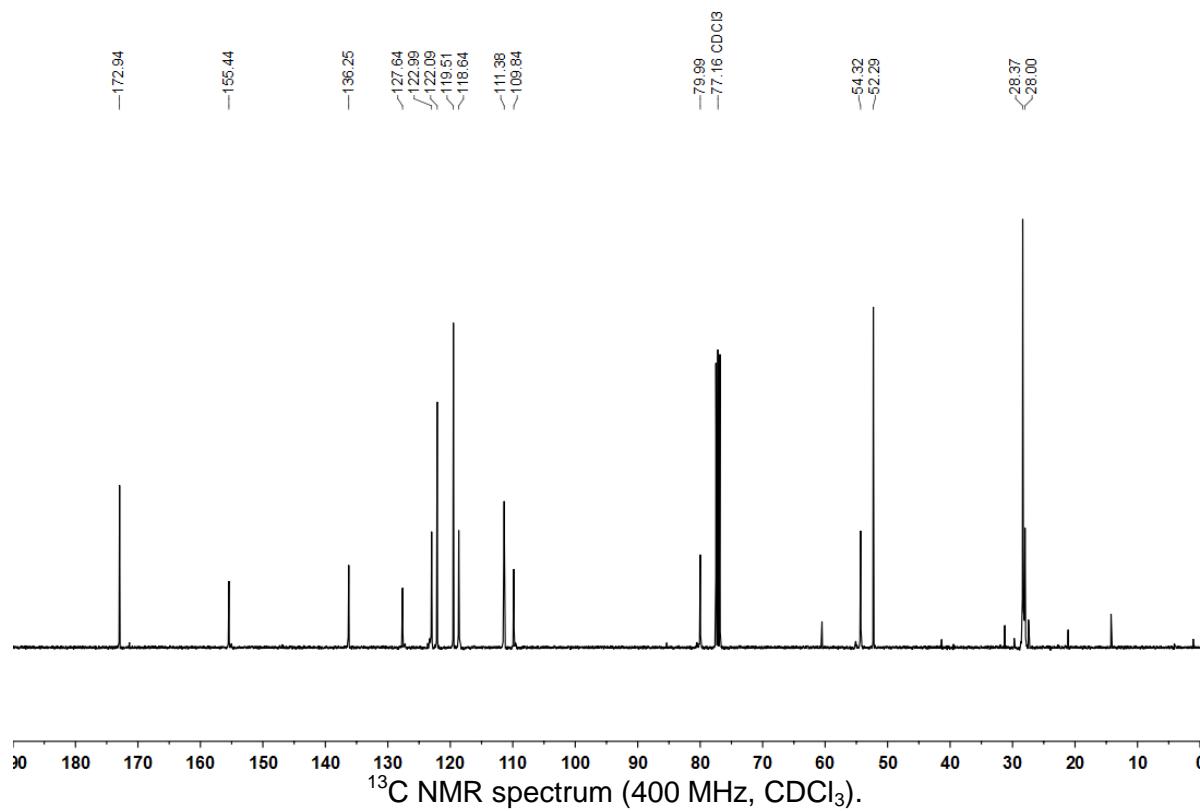
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<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>).

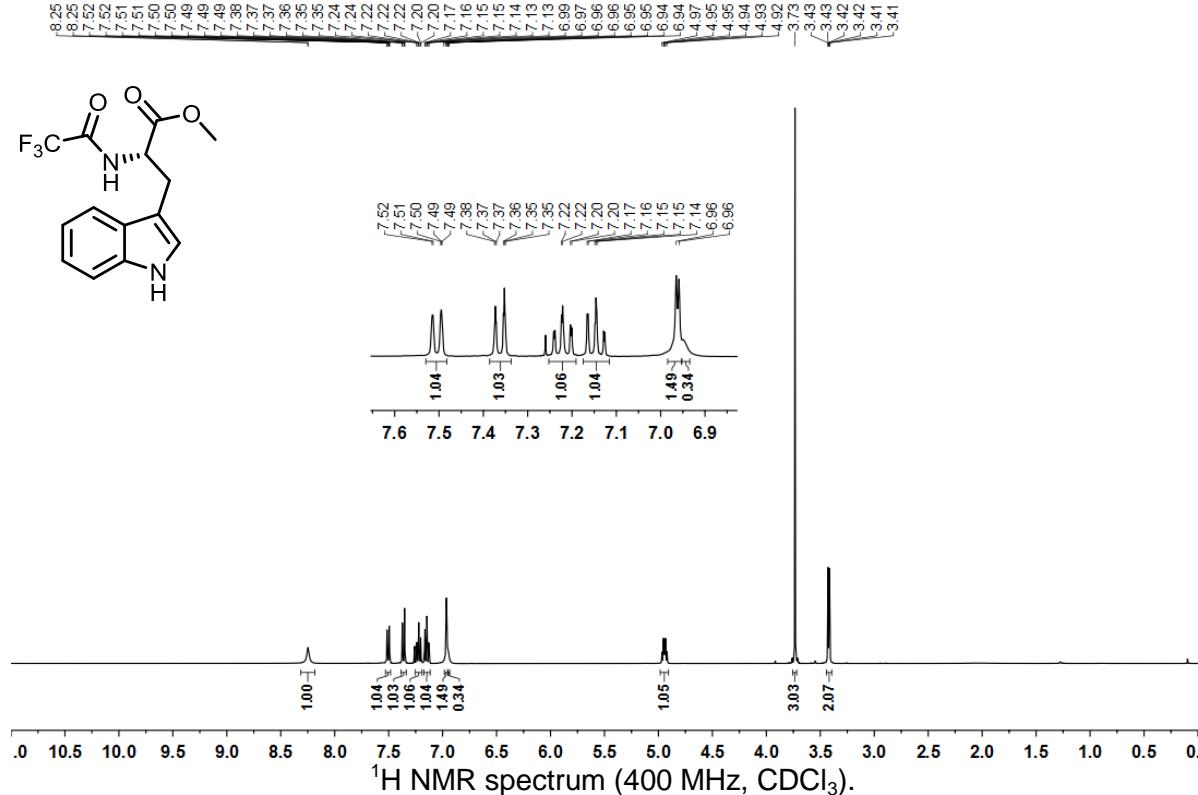
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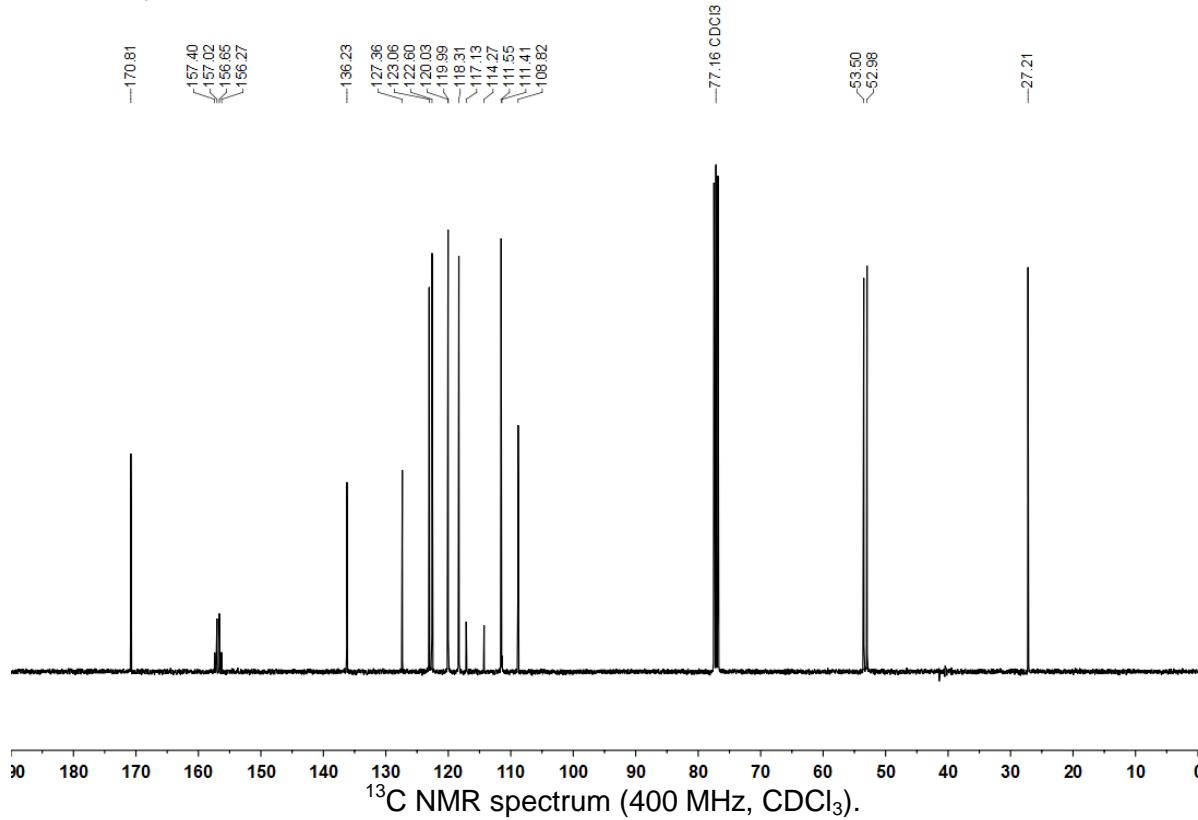
<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>).

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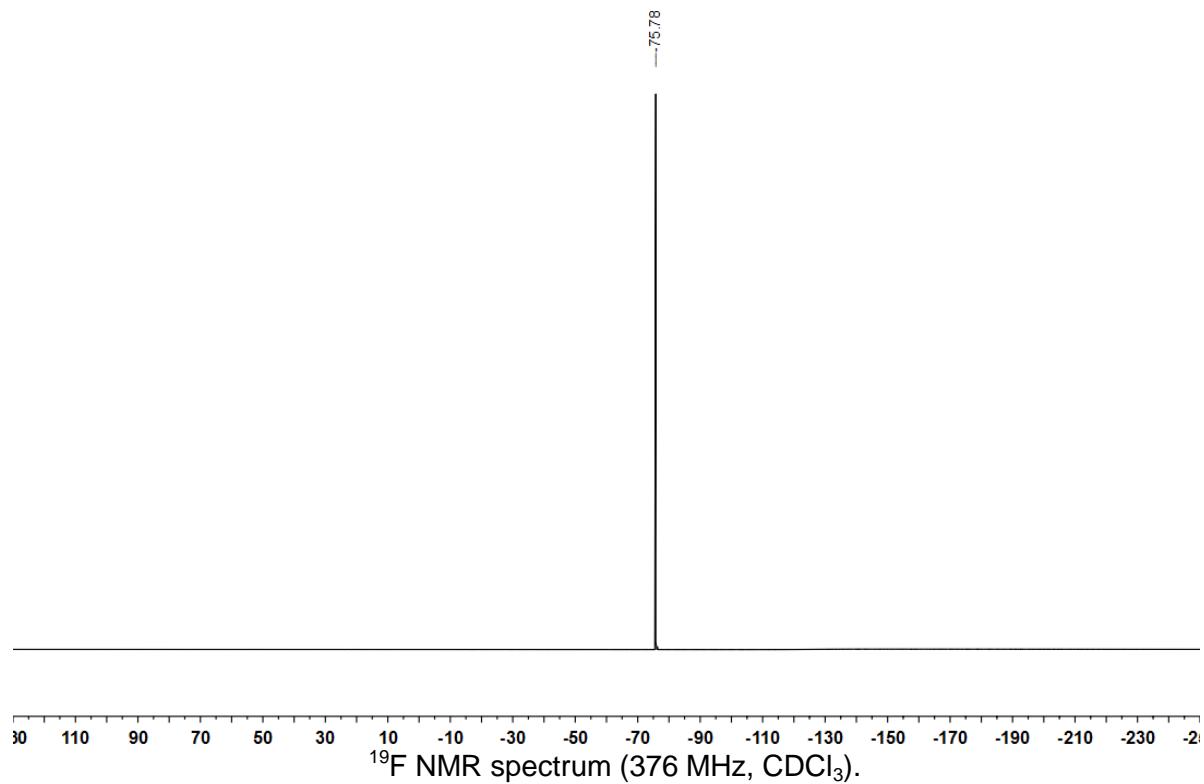
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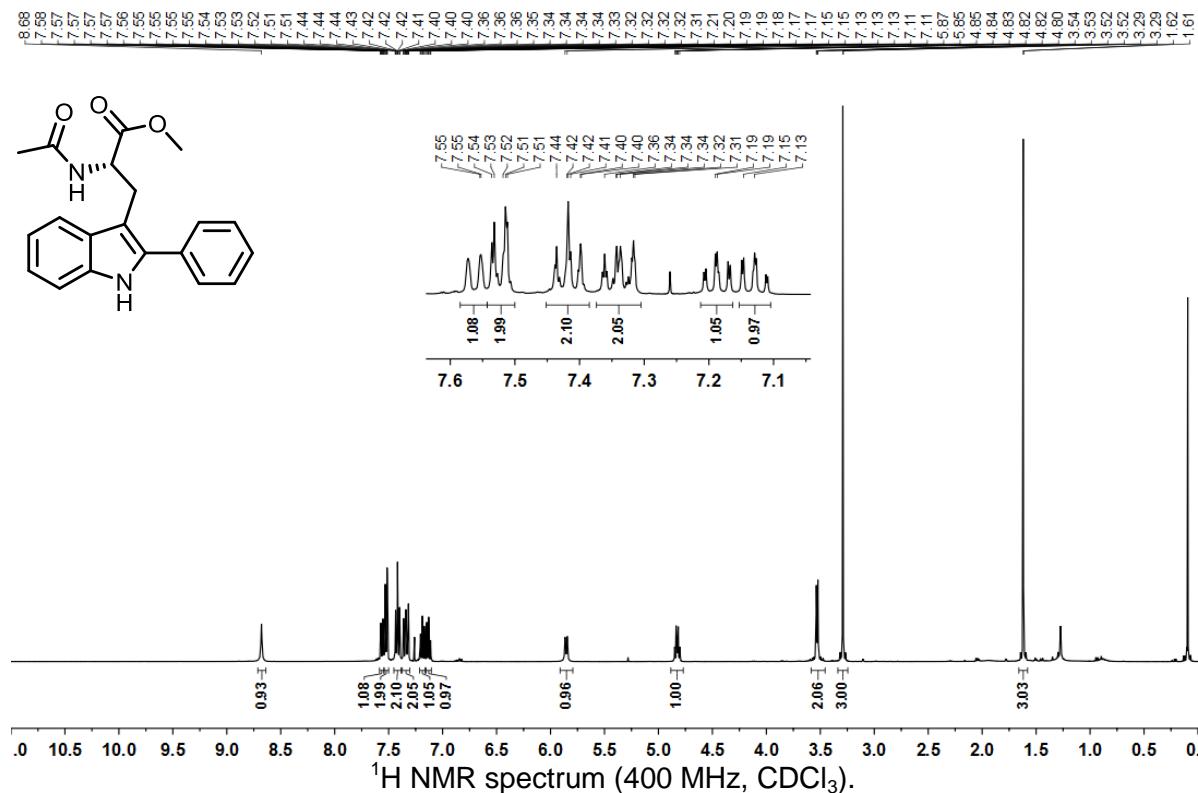


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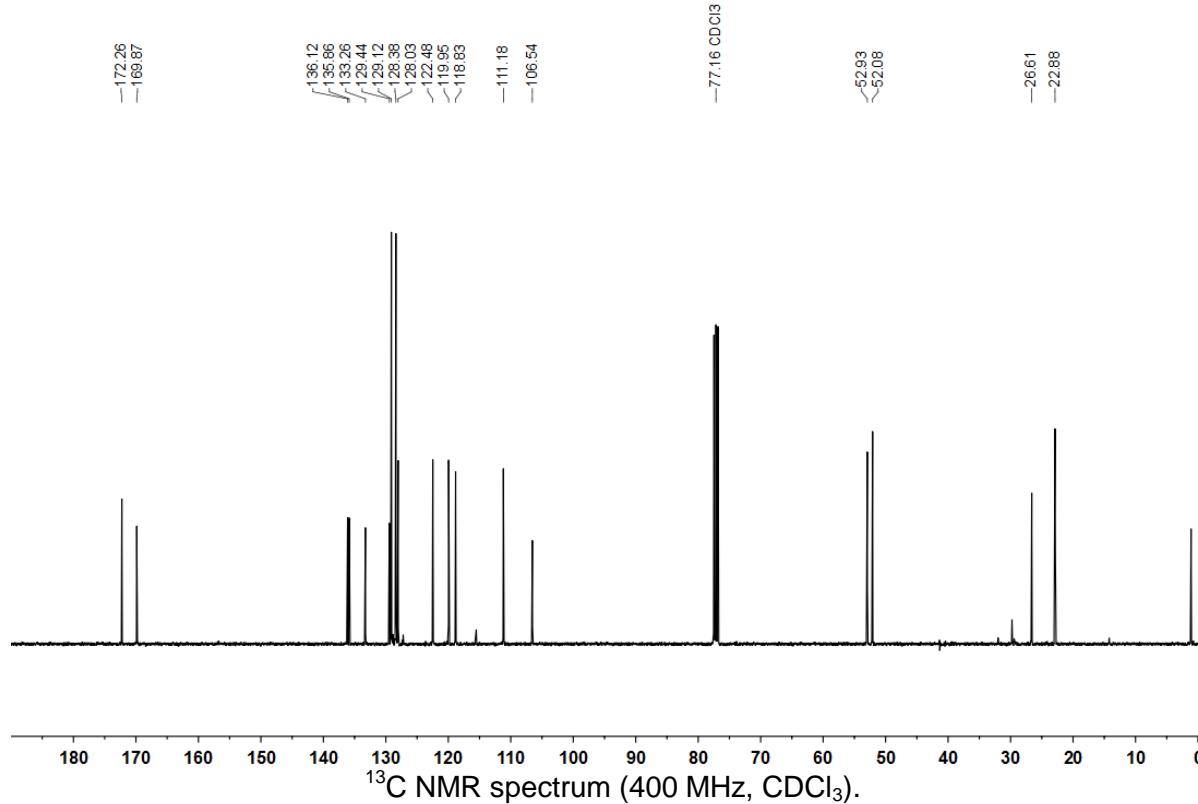


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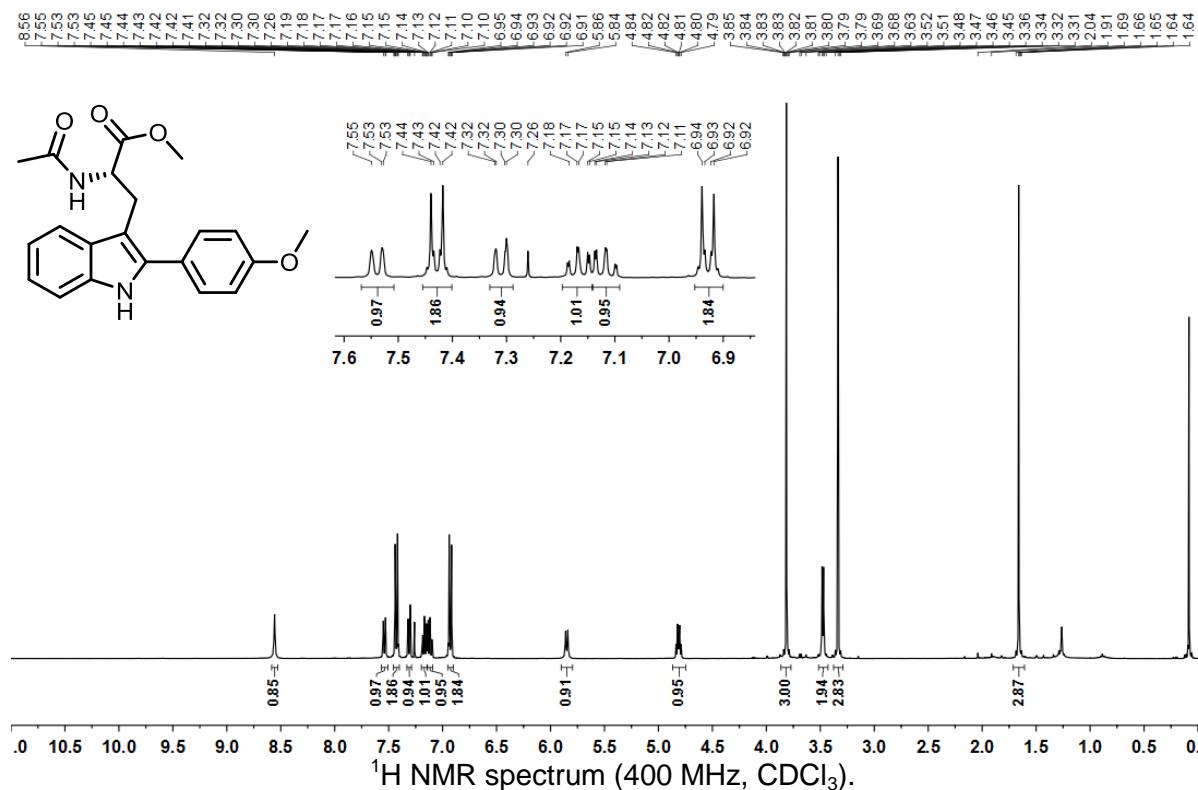


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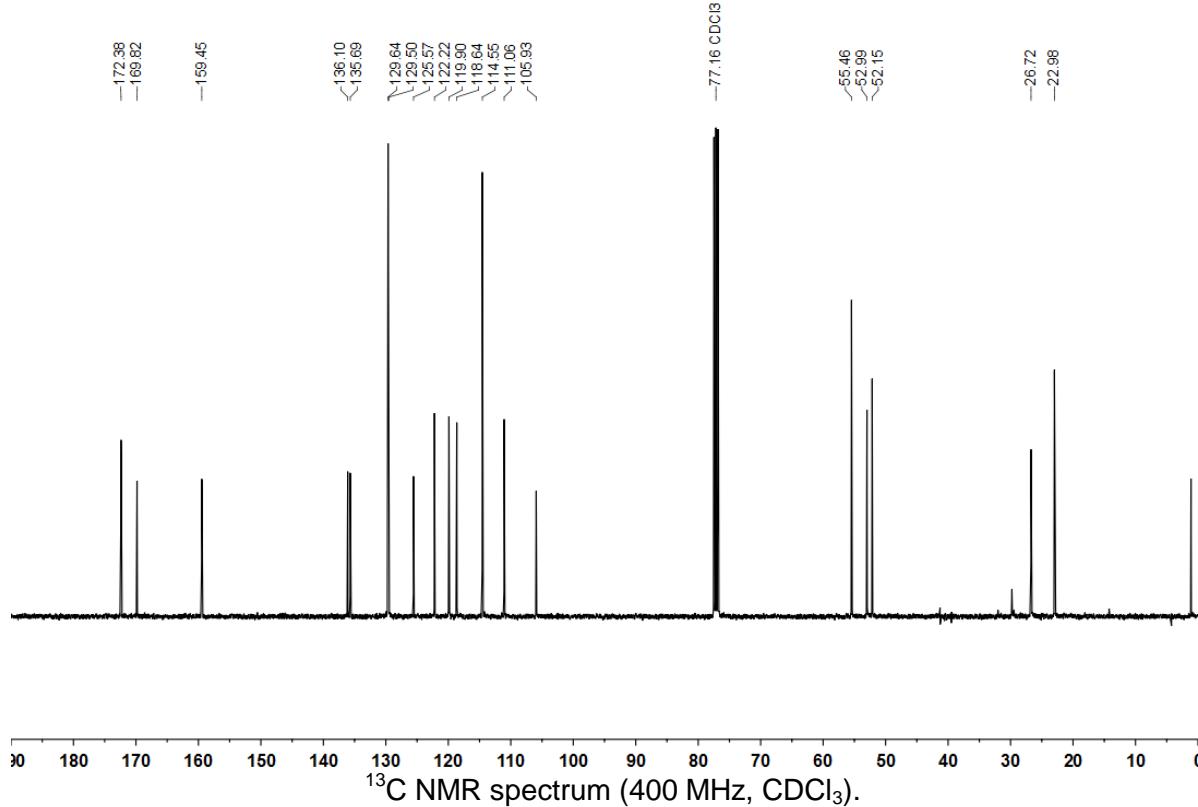


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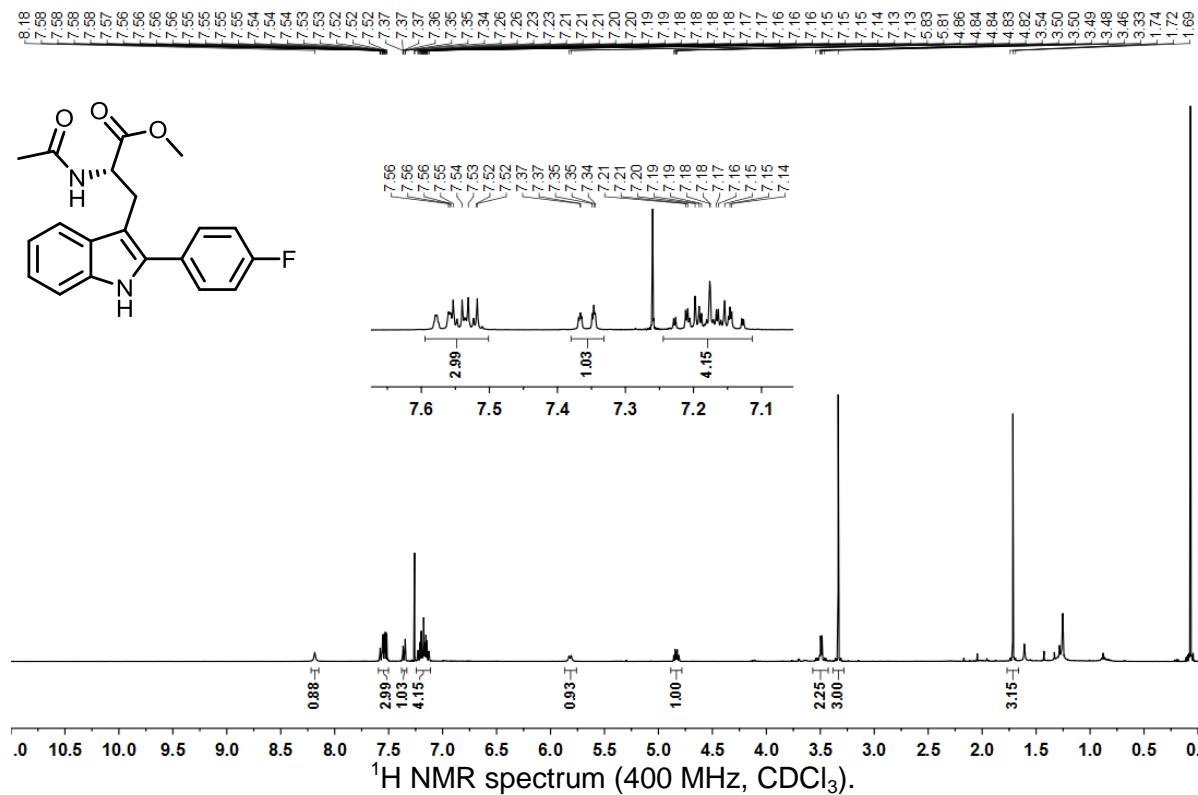


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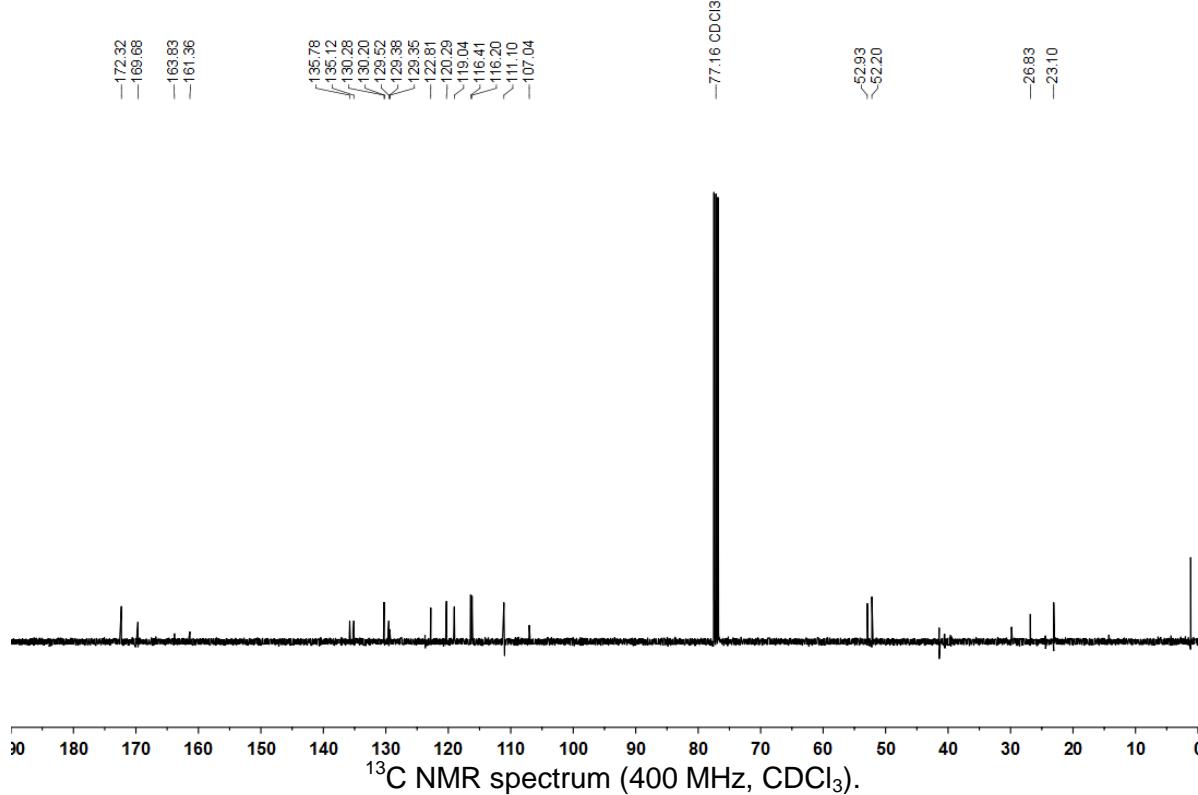


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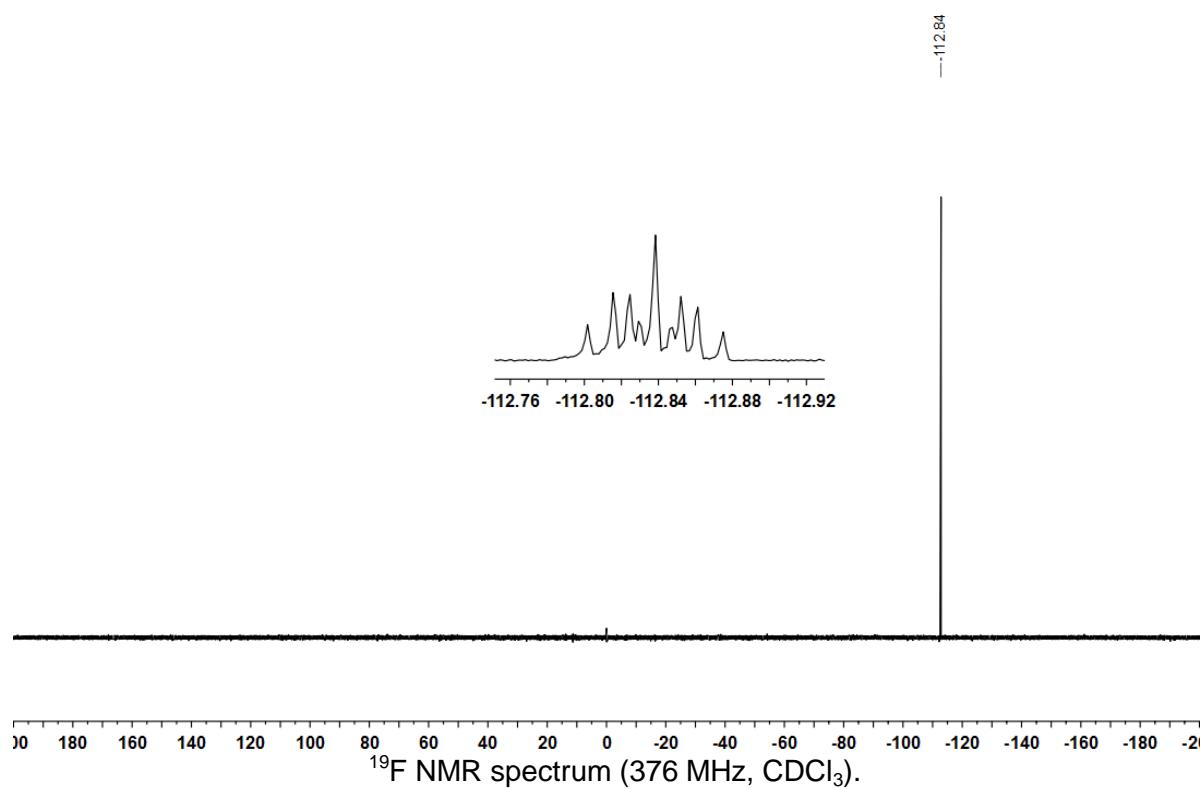
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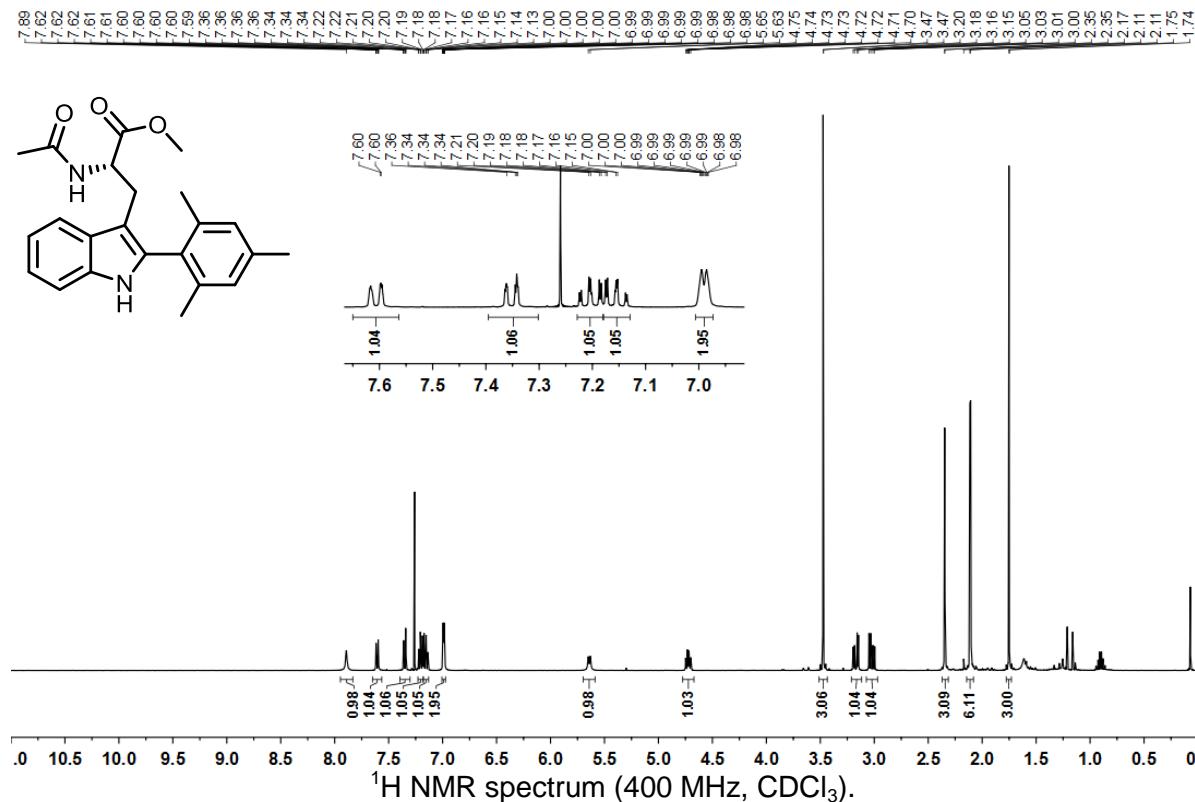


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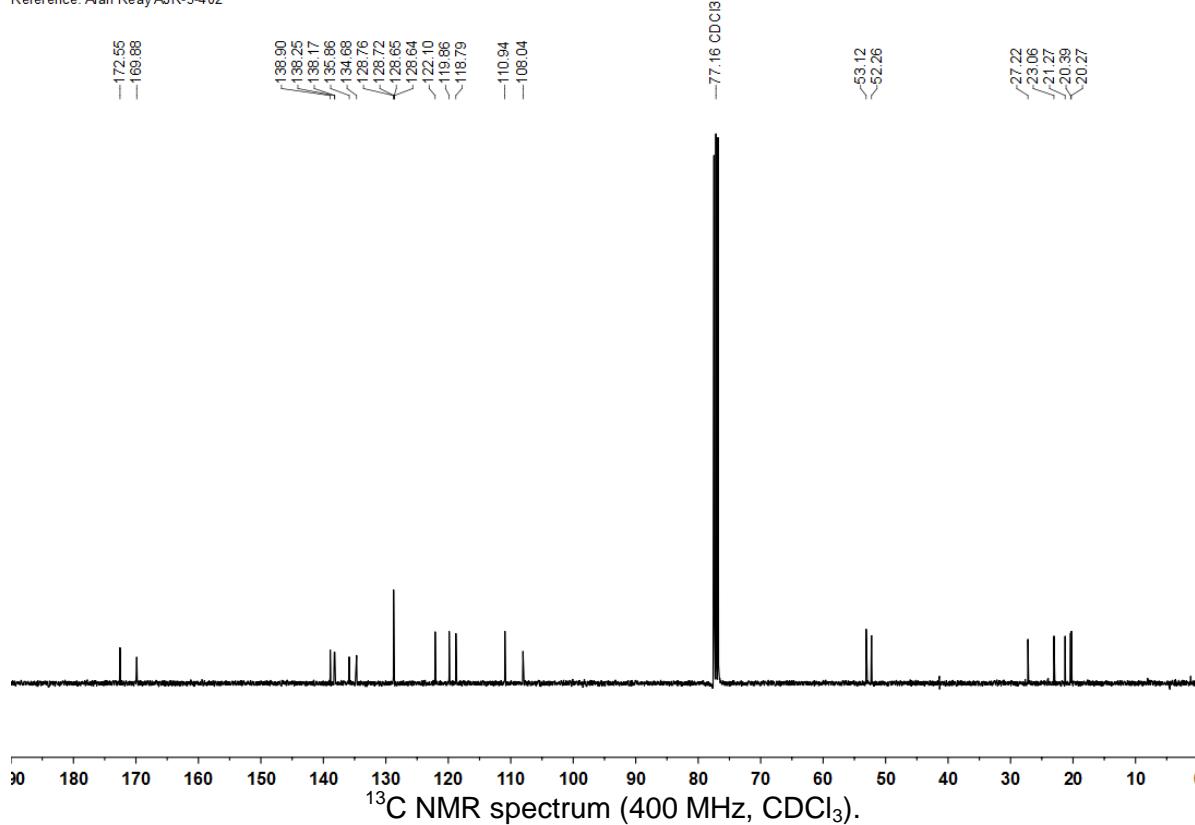


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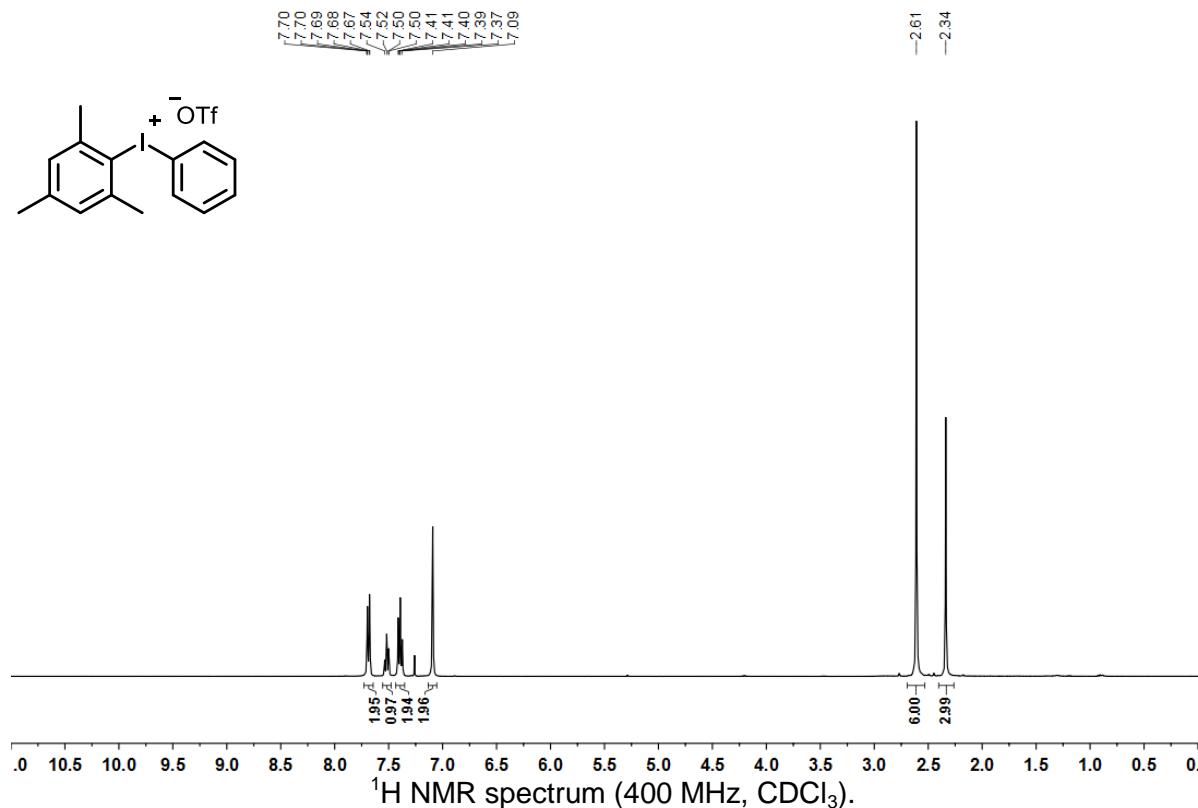


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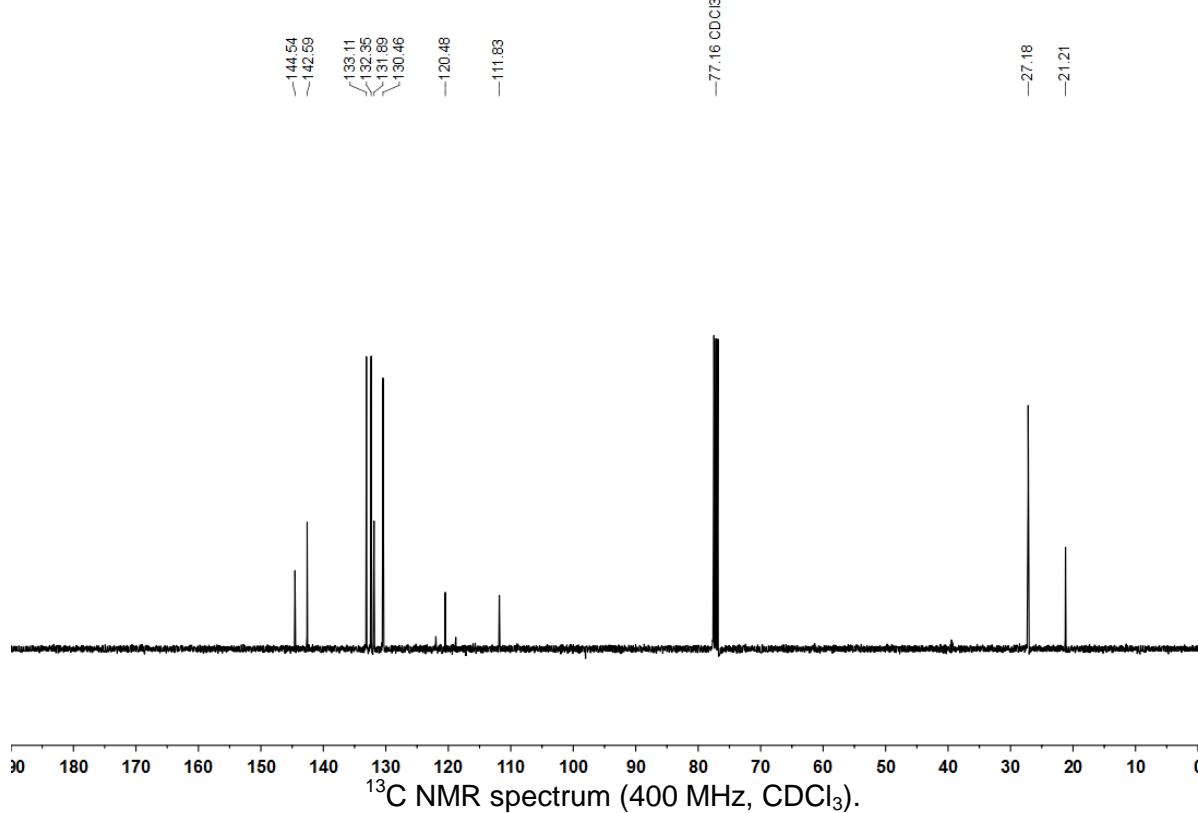


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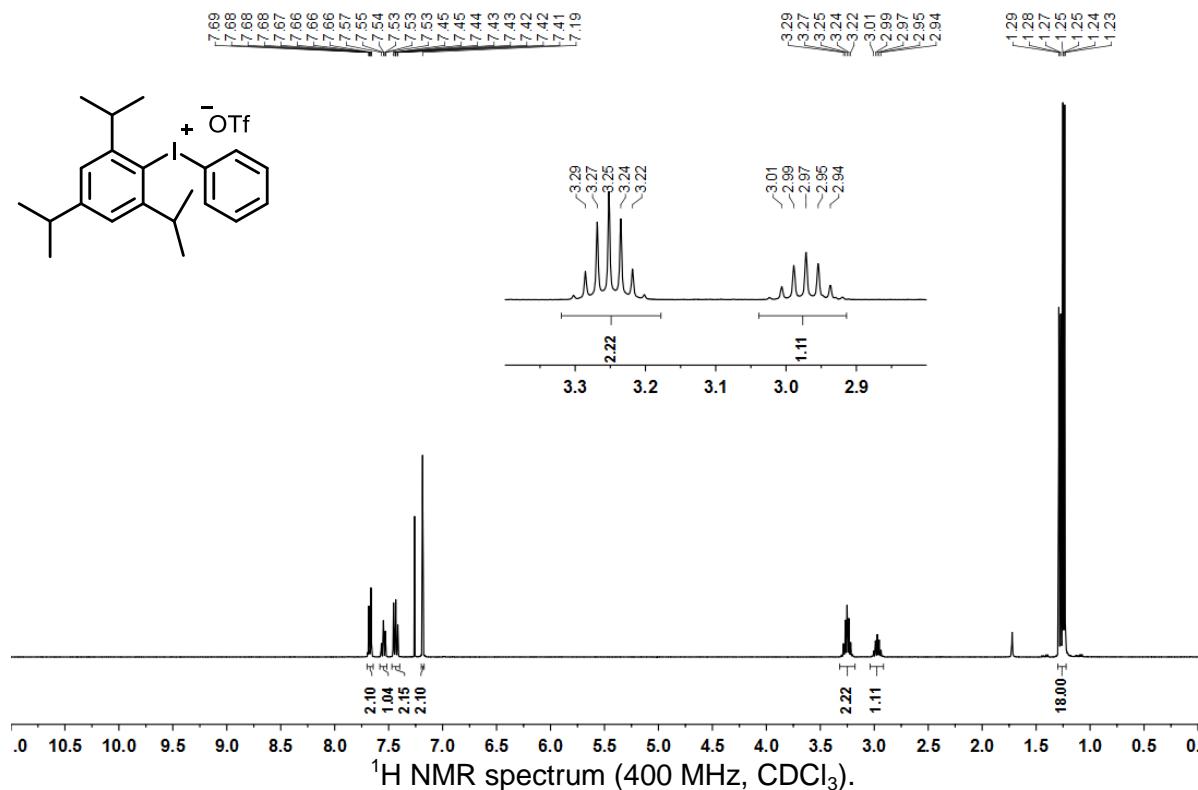


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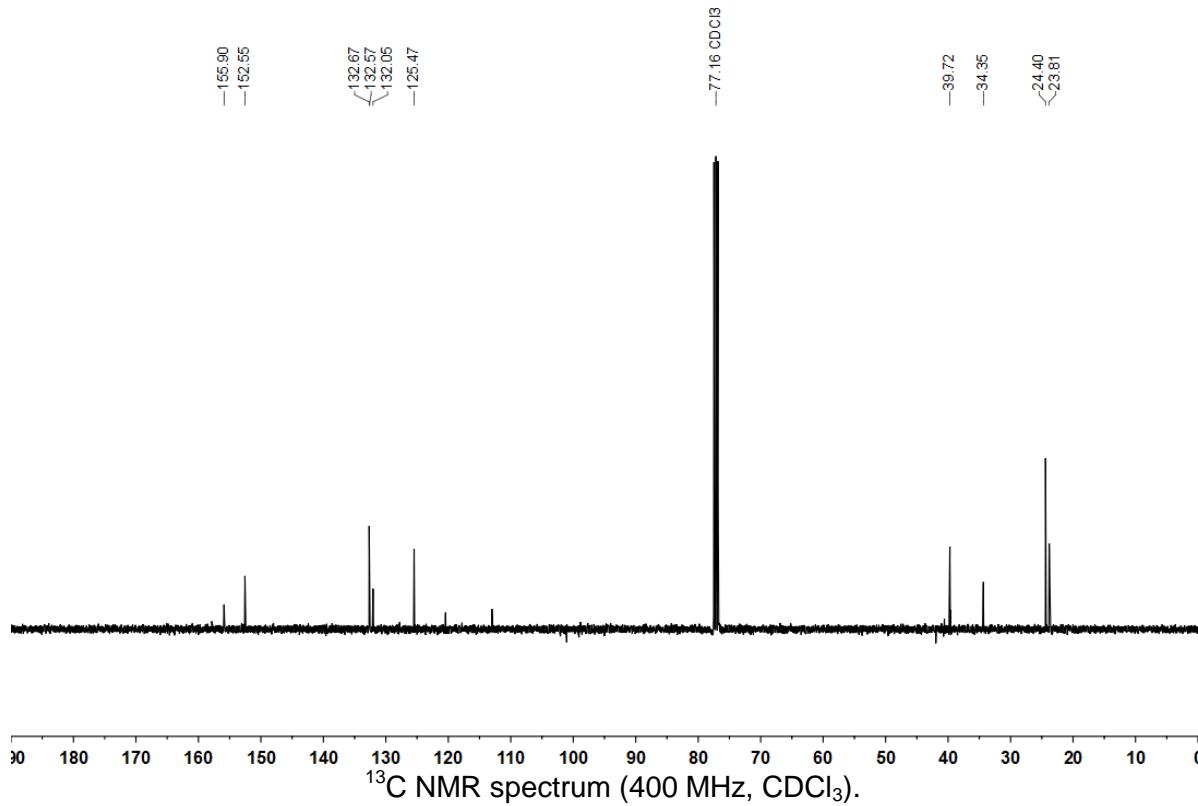


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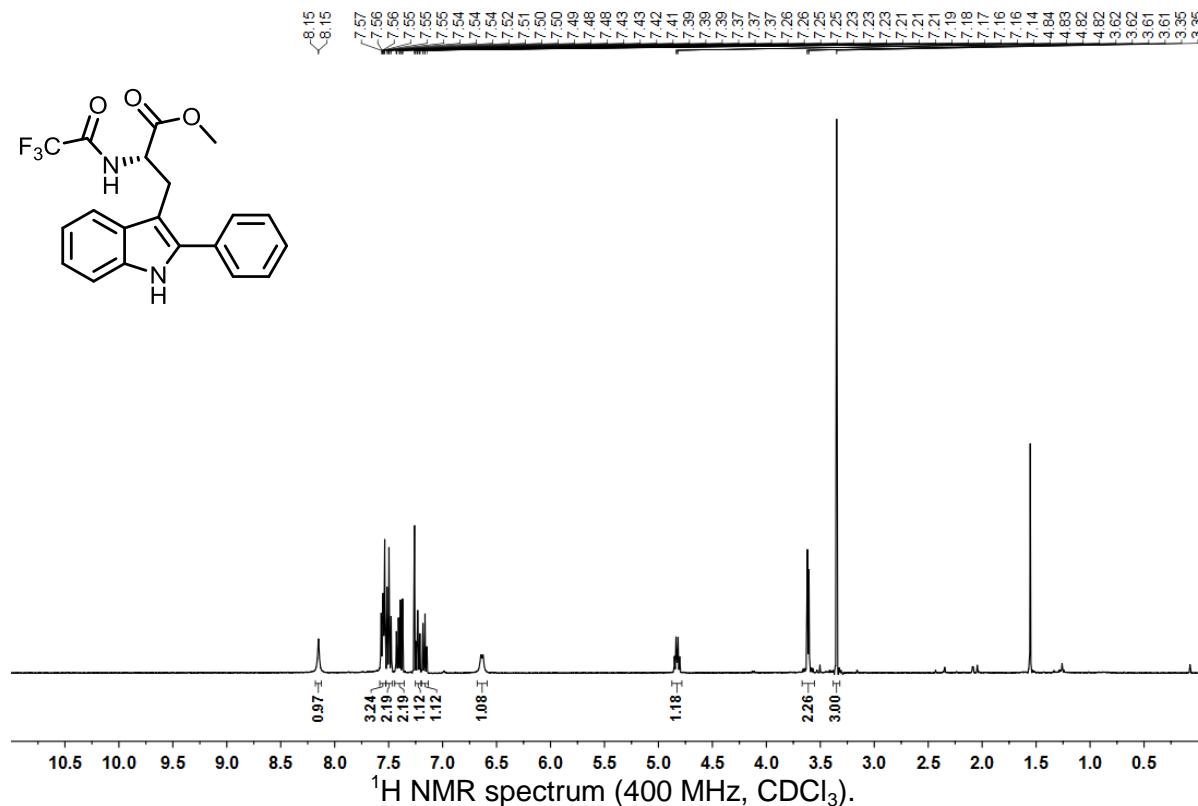


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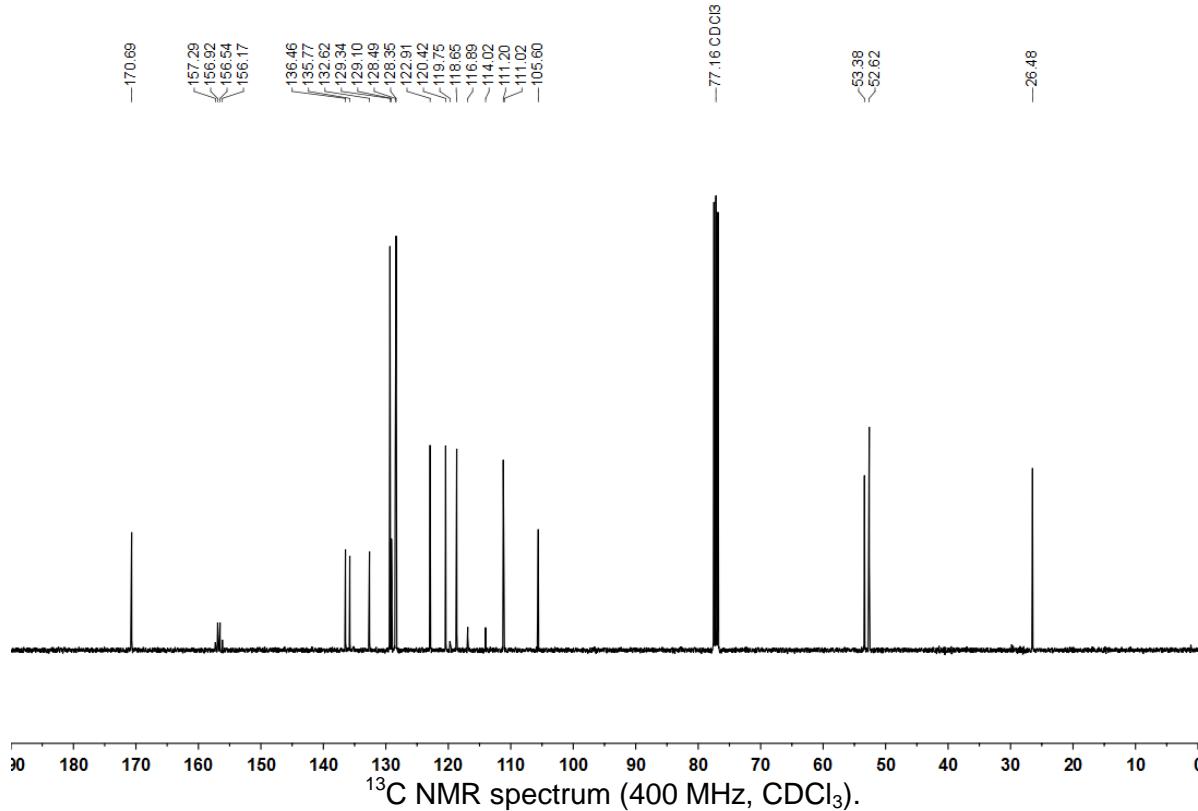


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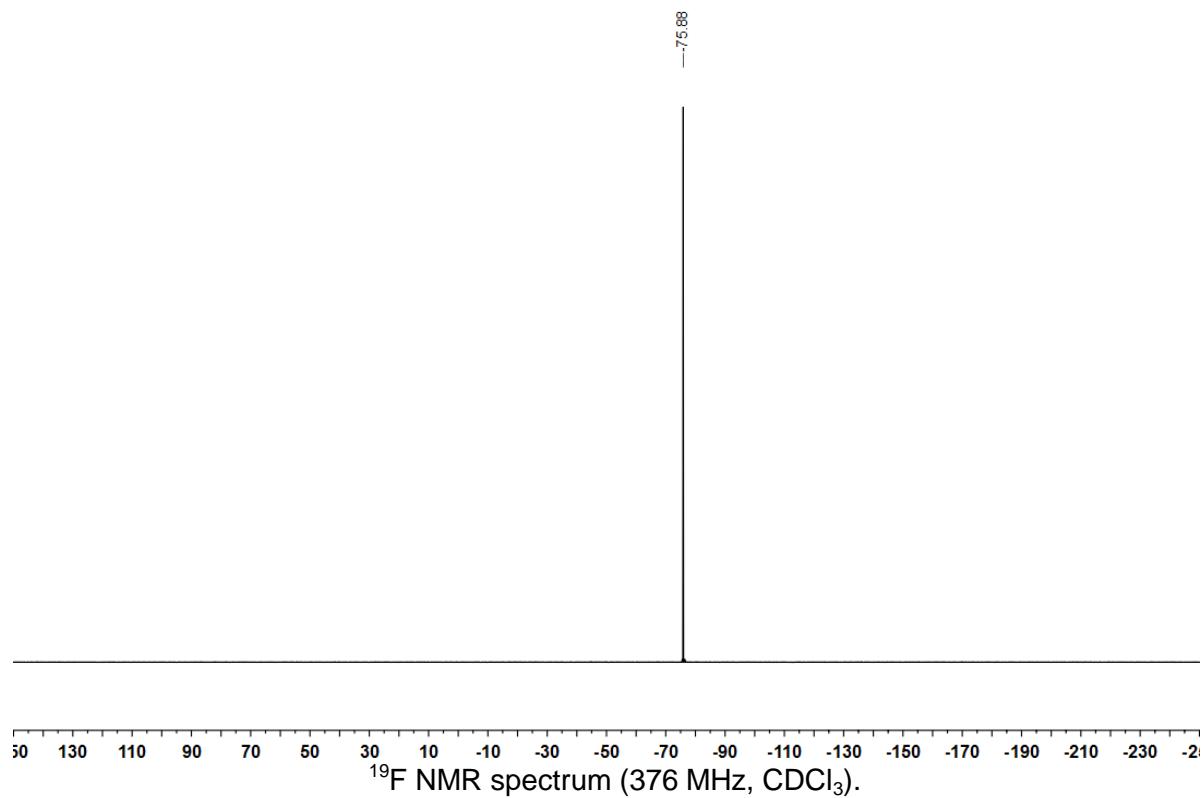
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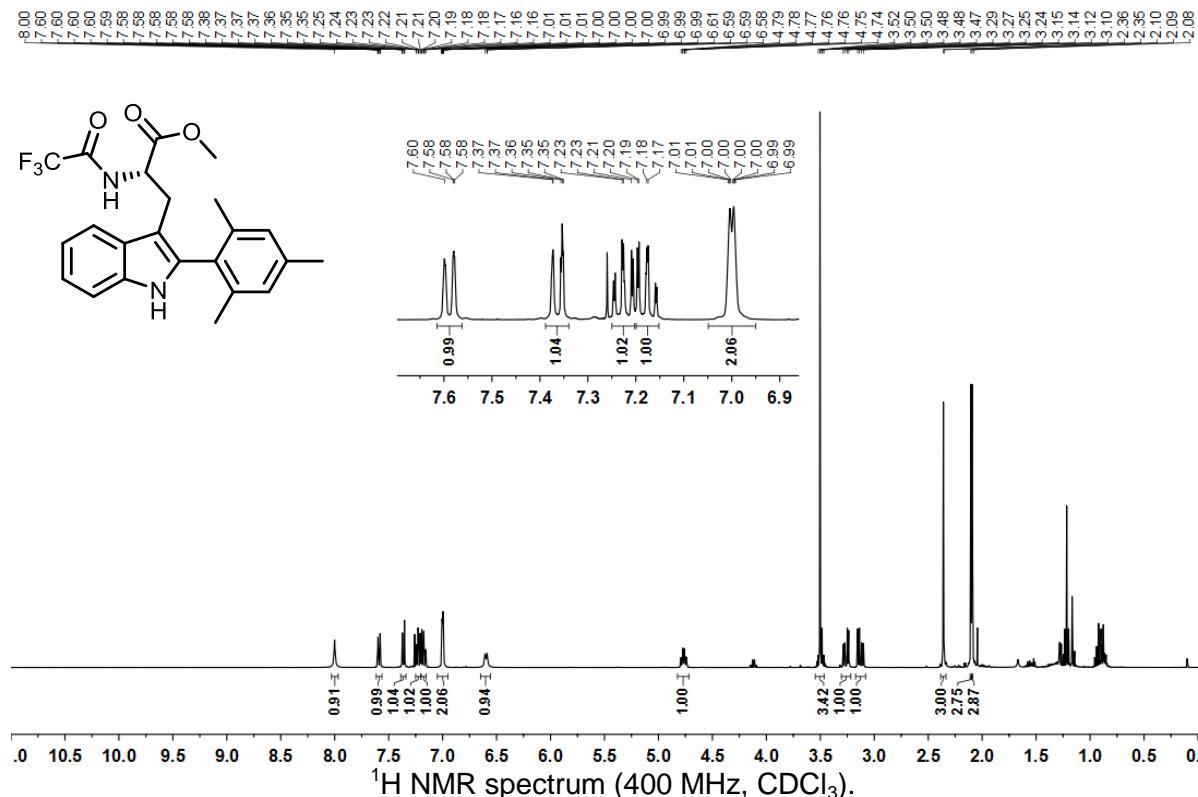


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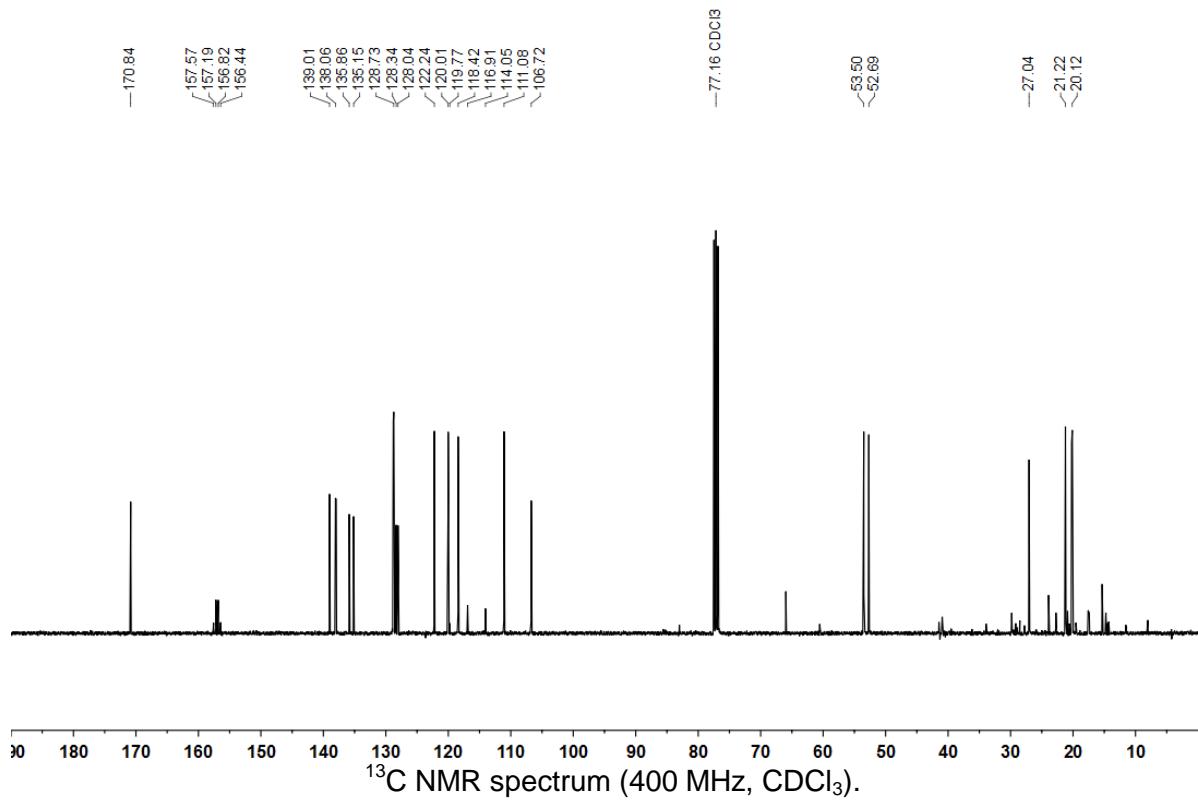


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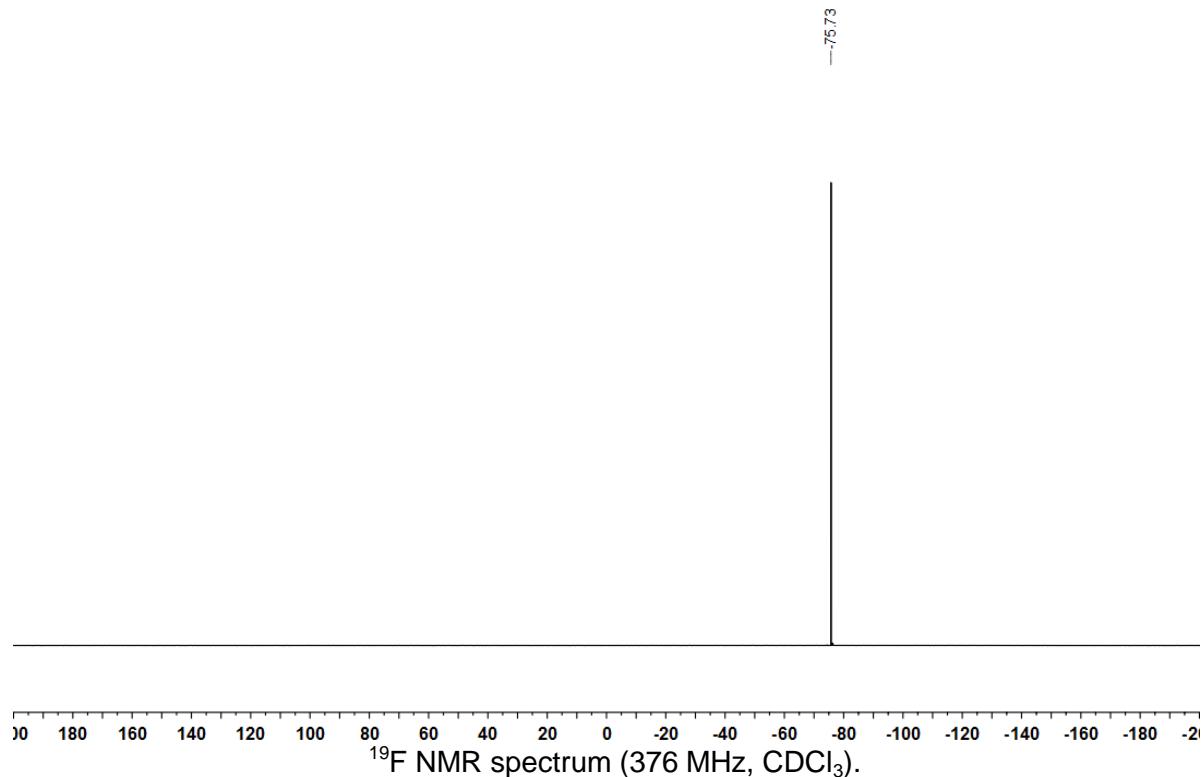
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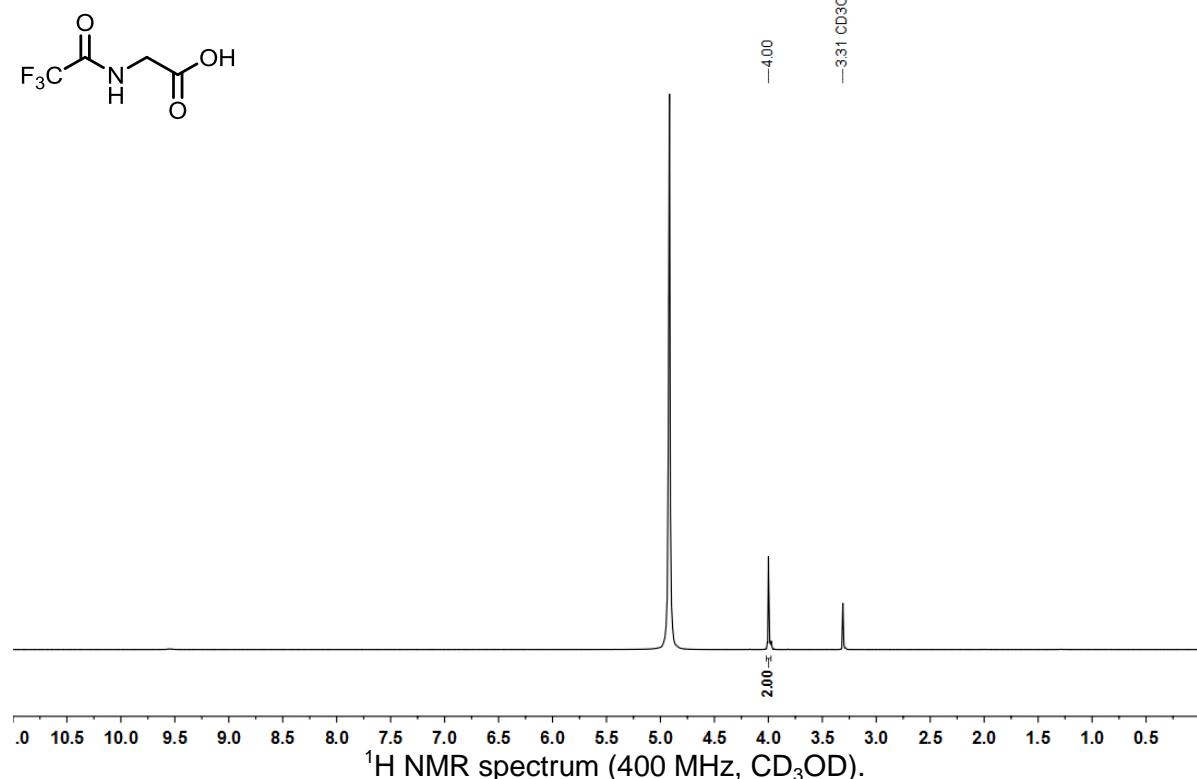


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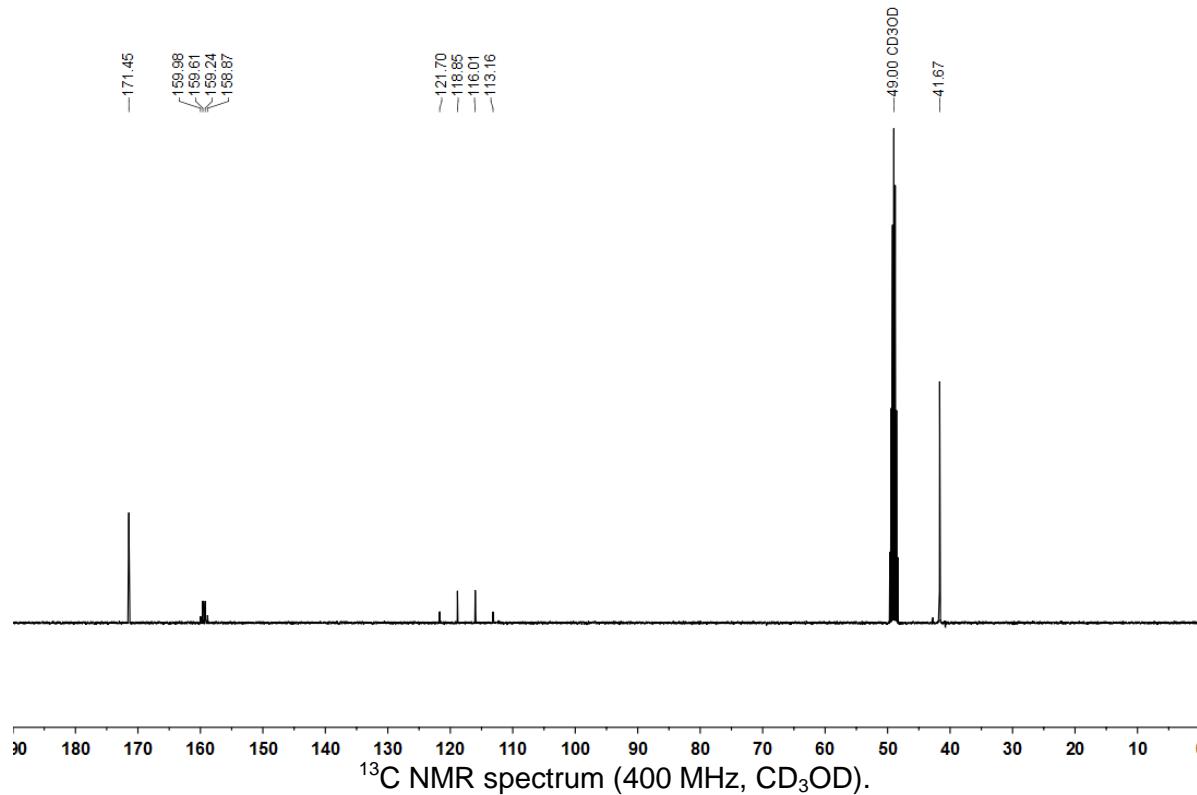


## 2-(Trifluoroacetamido)acetic acid

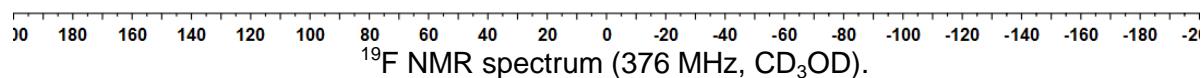
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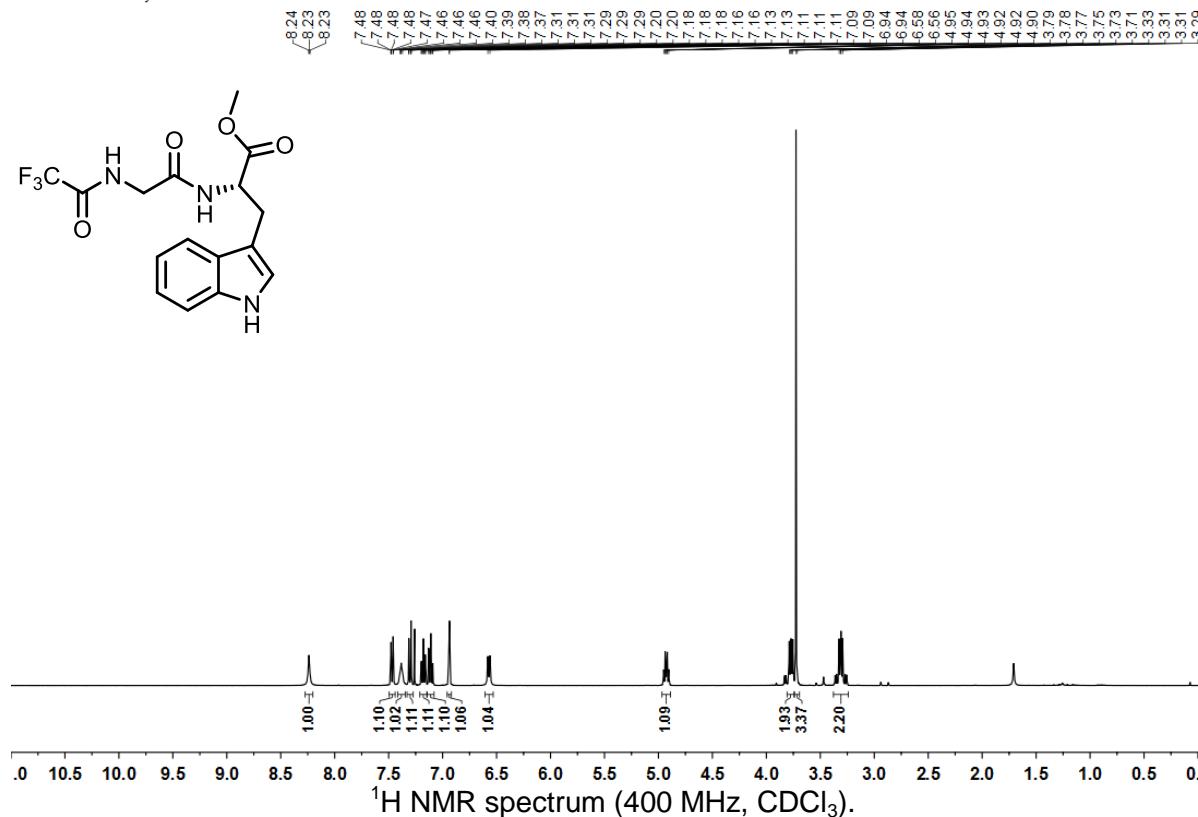


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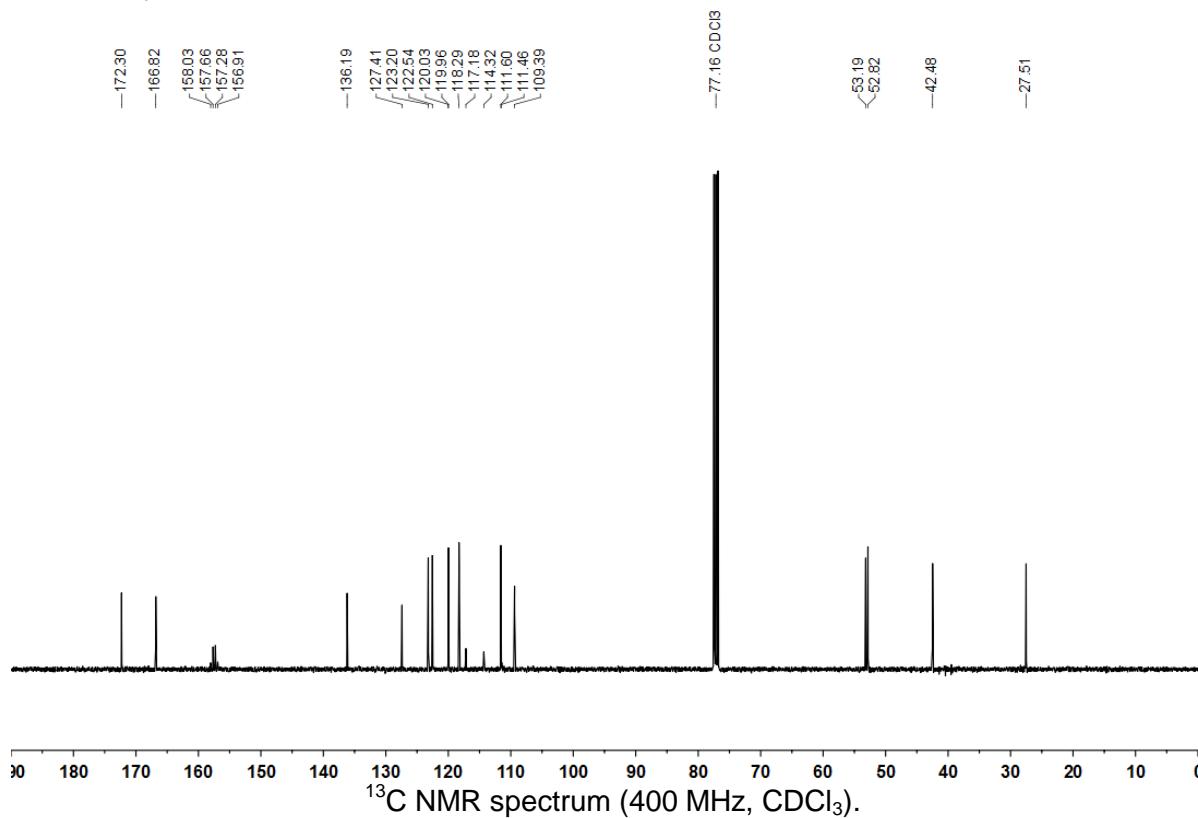


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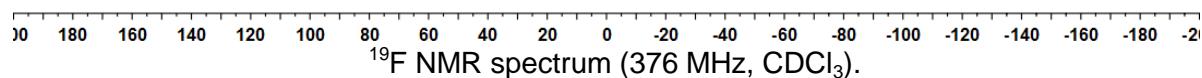


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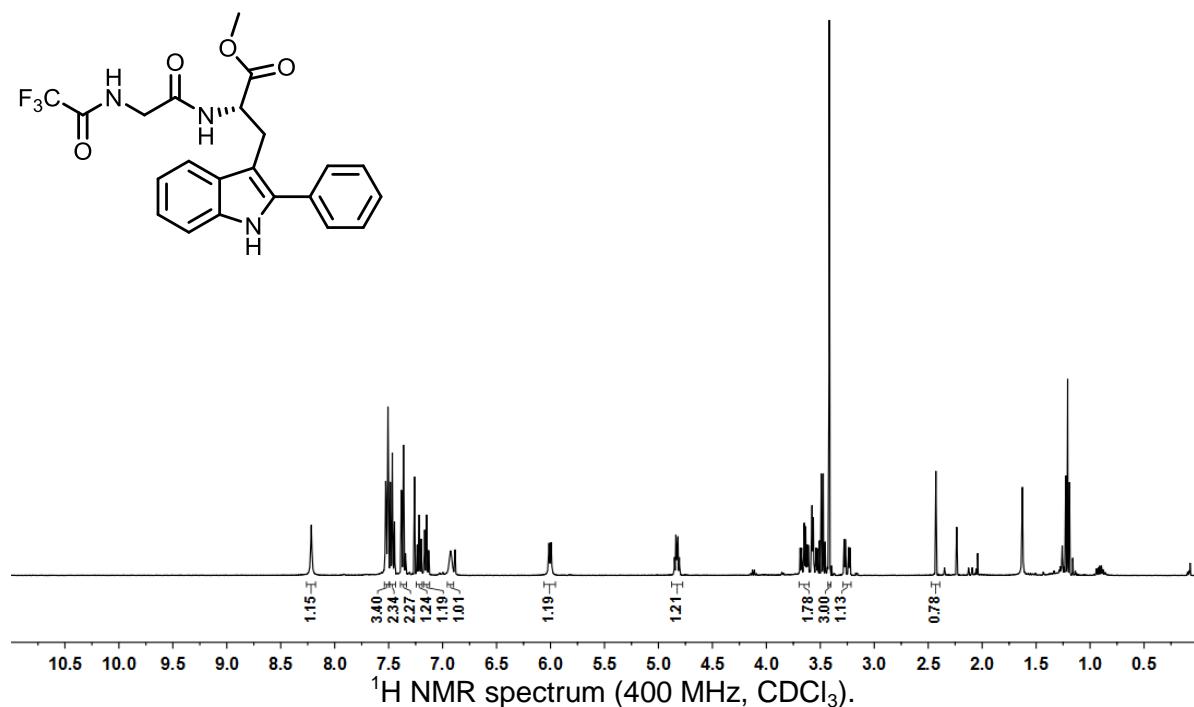
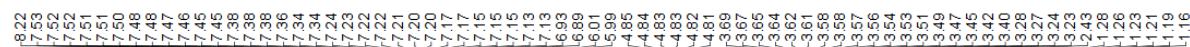
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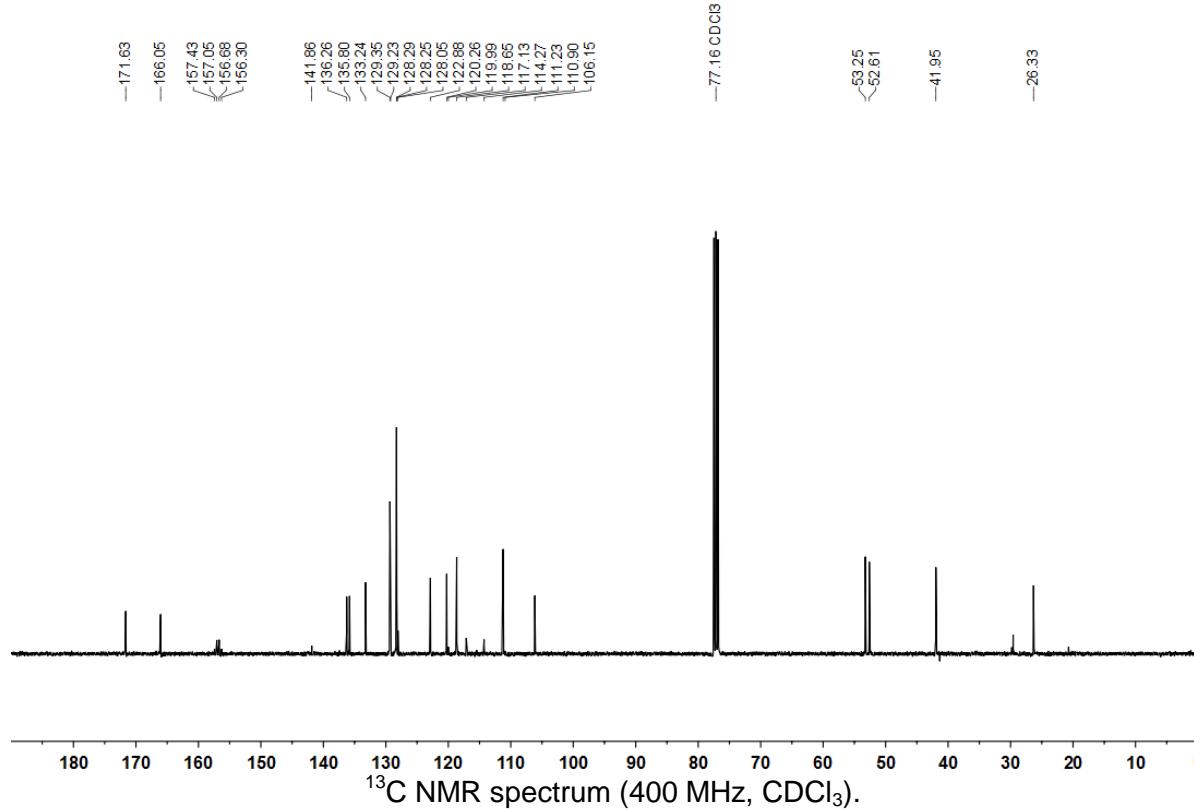


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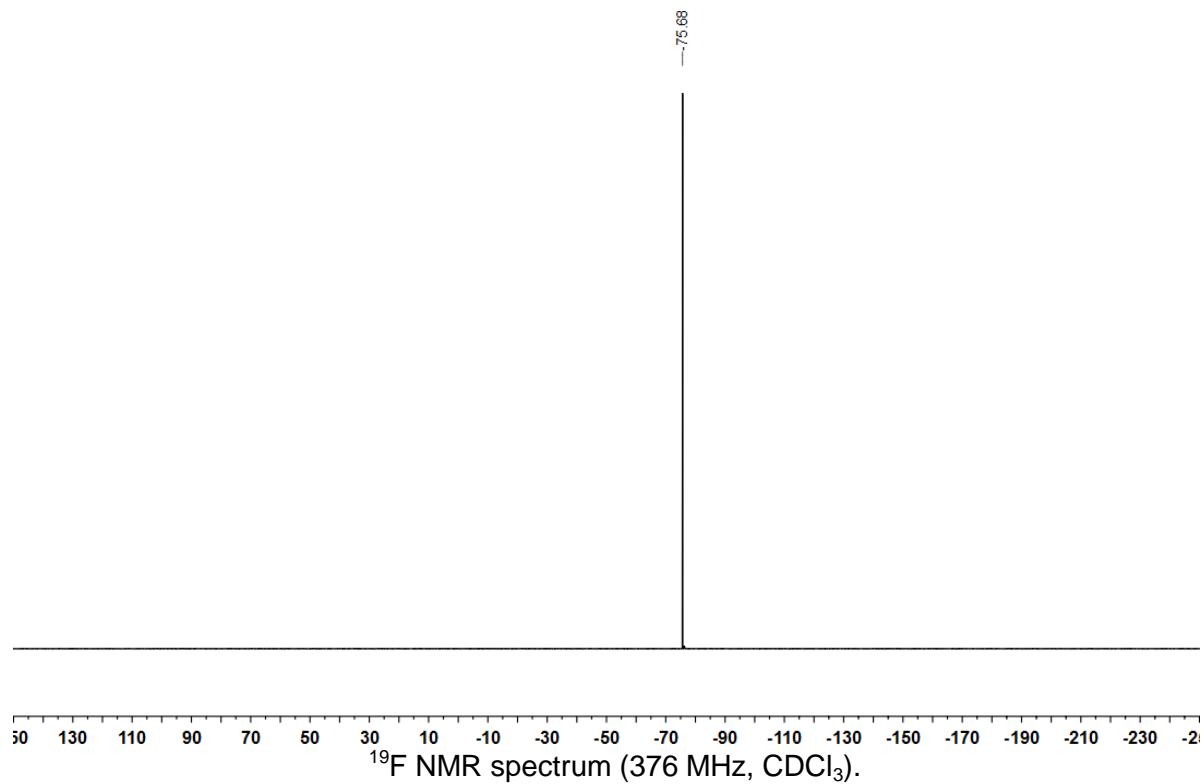
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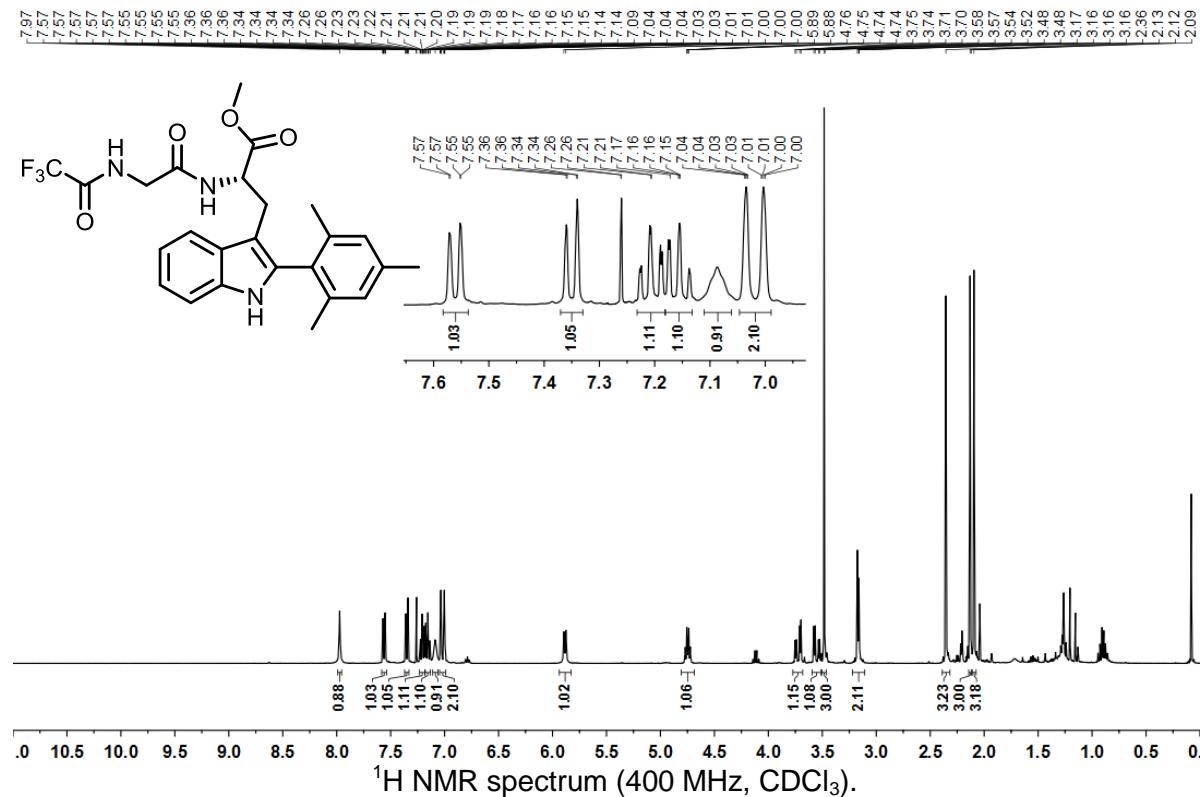


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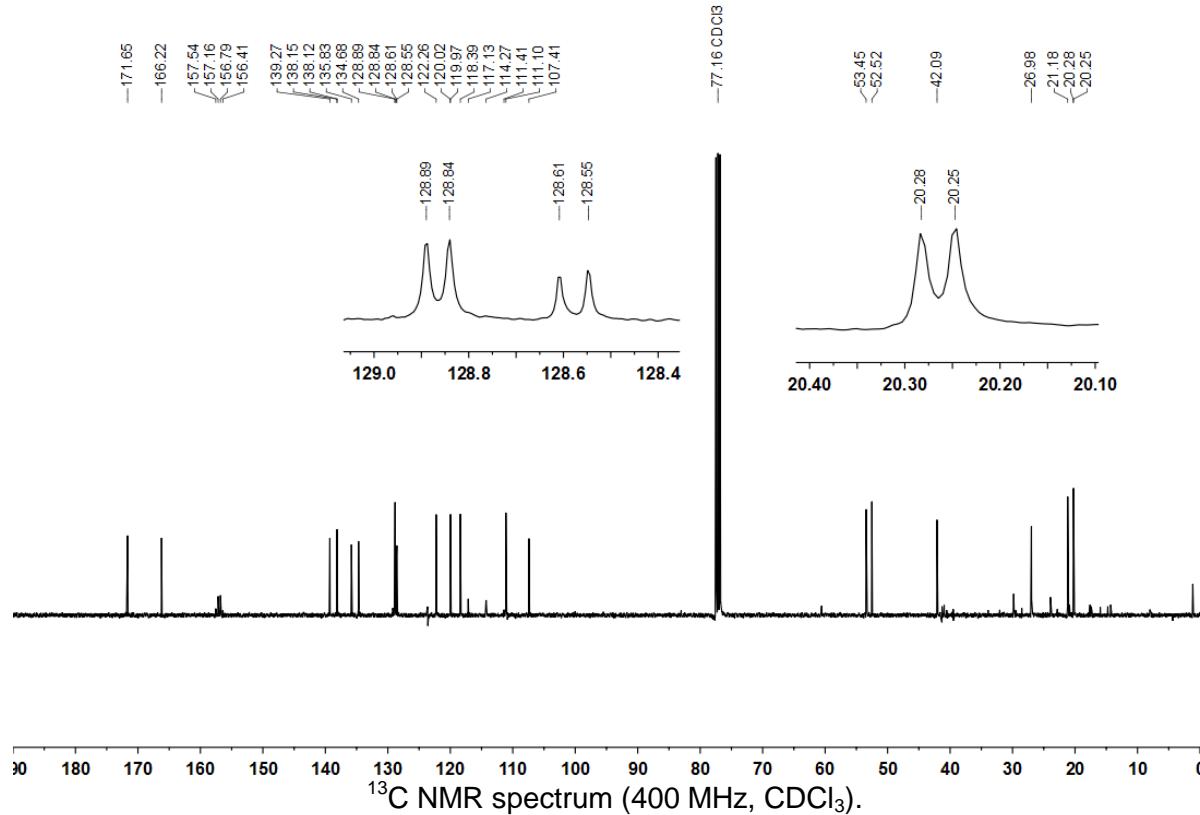


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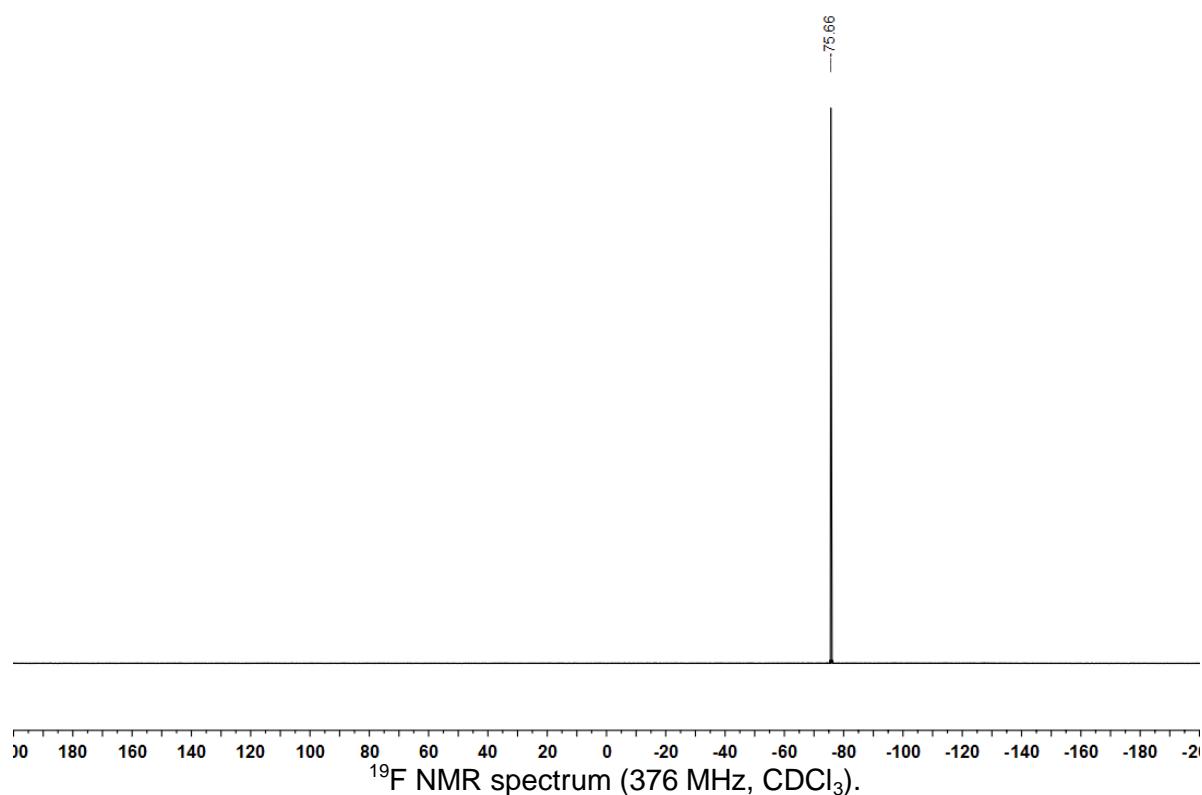
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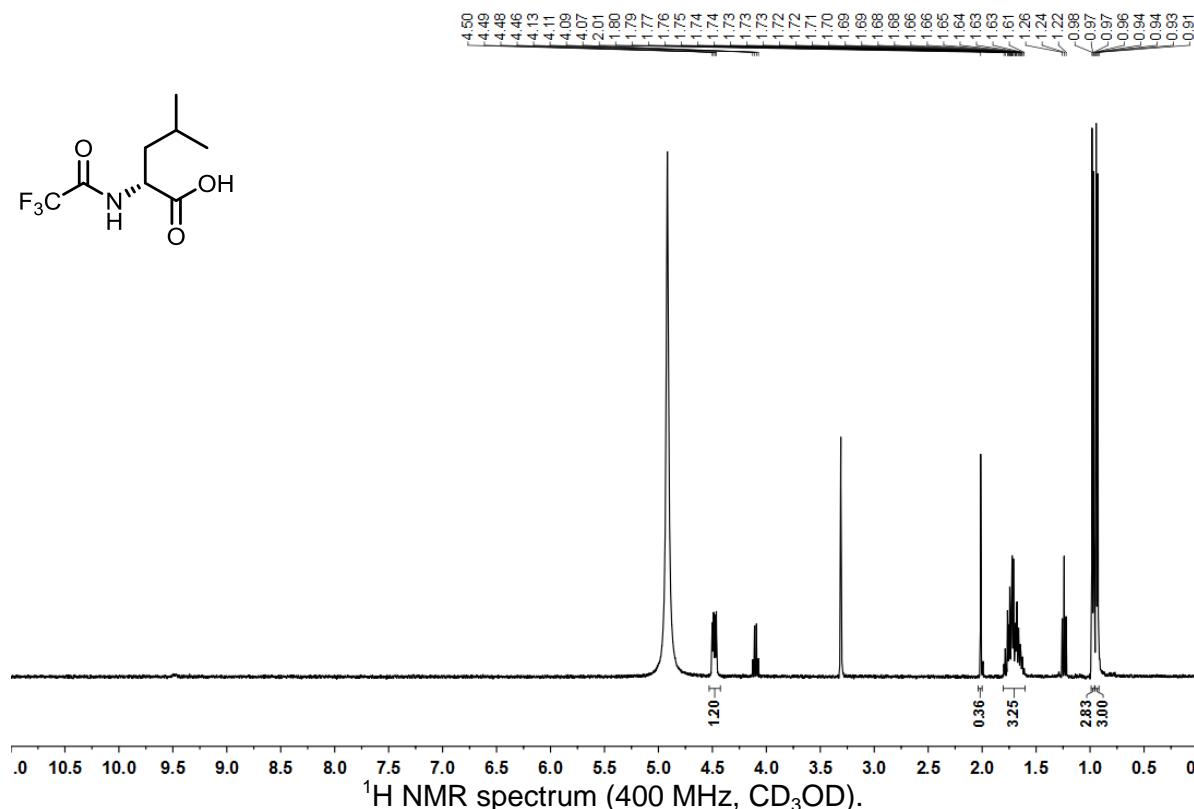


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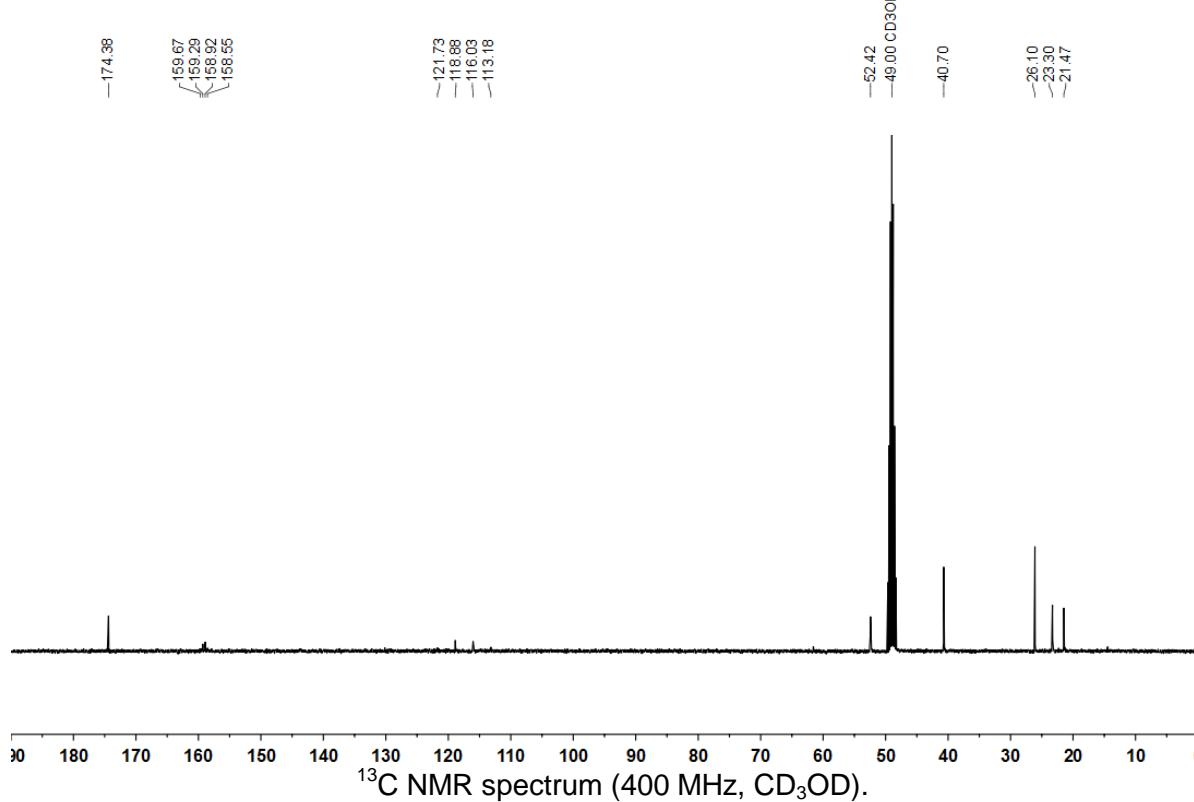


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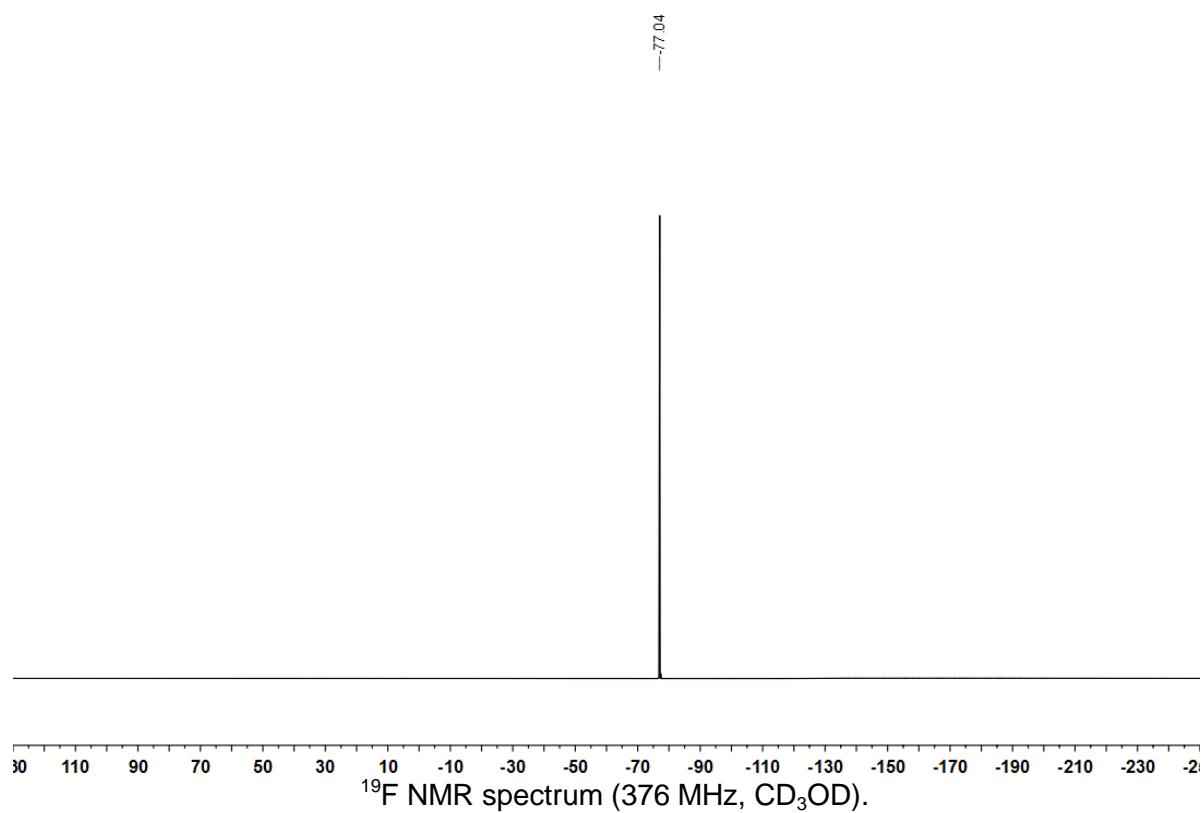
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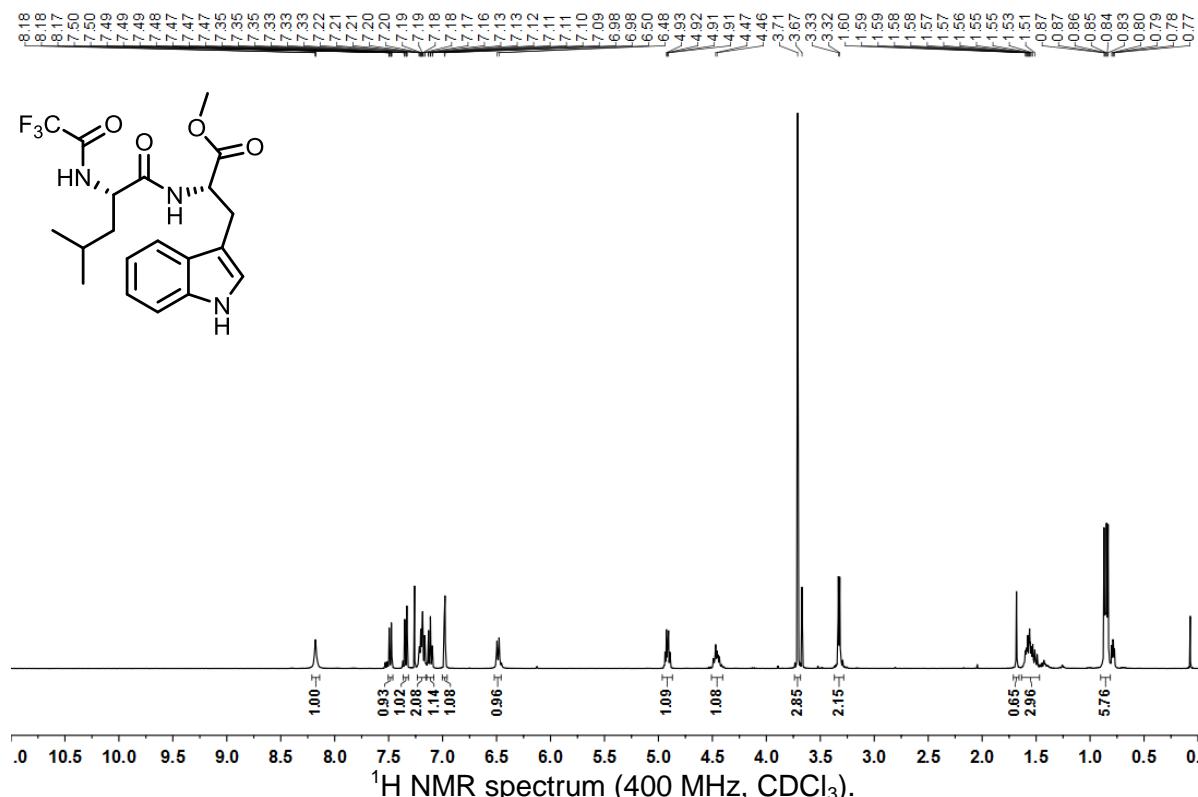


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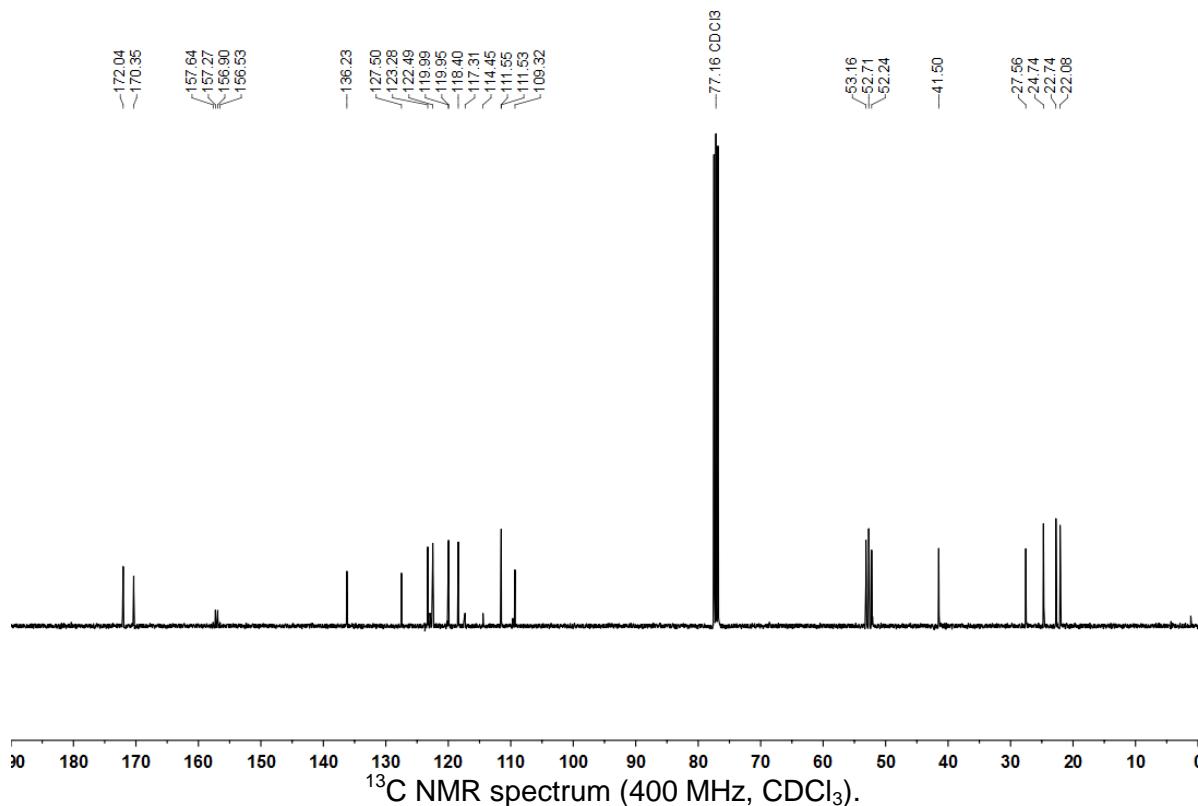


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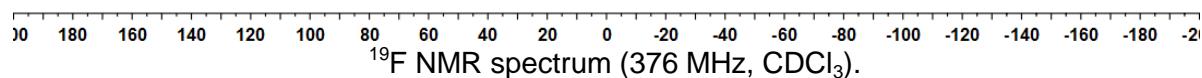
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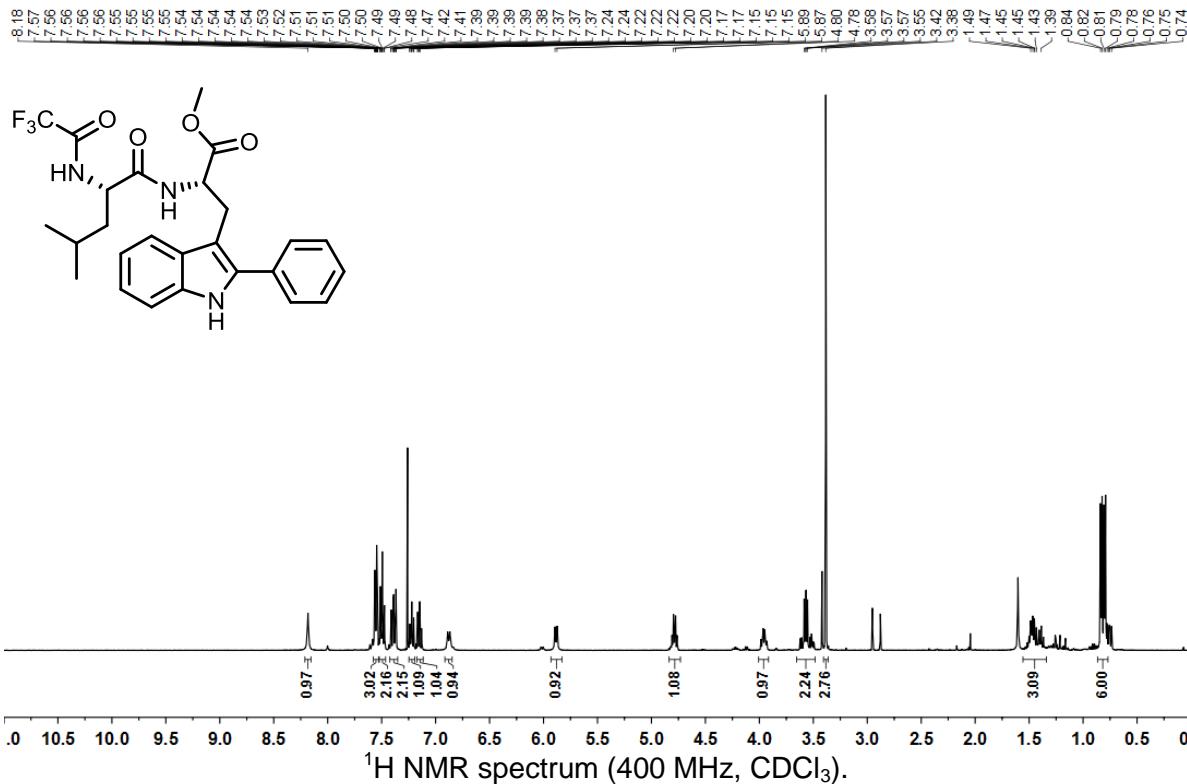


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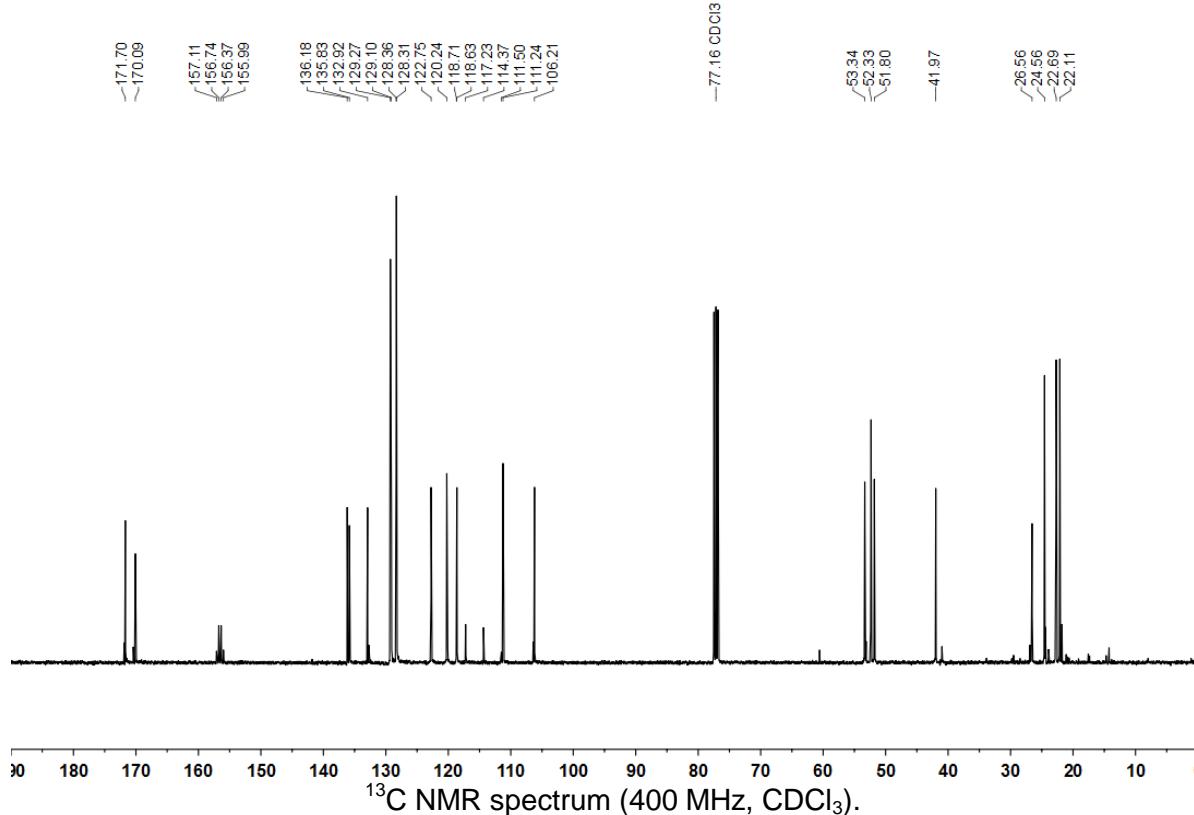


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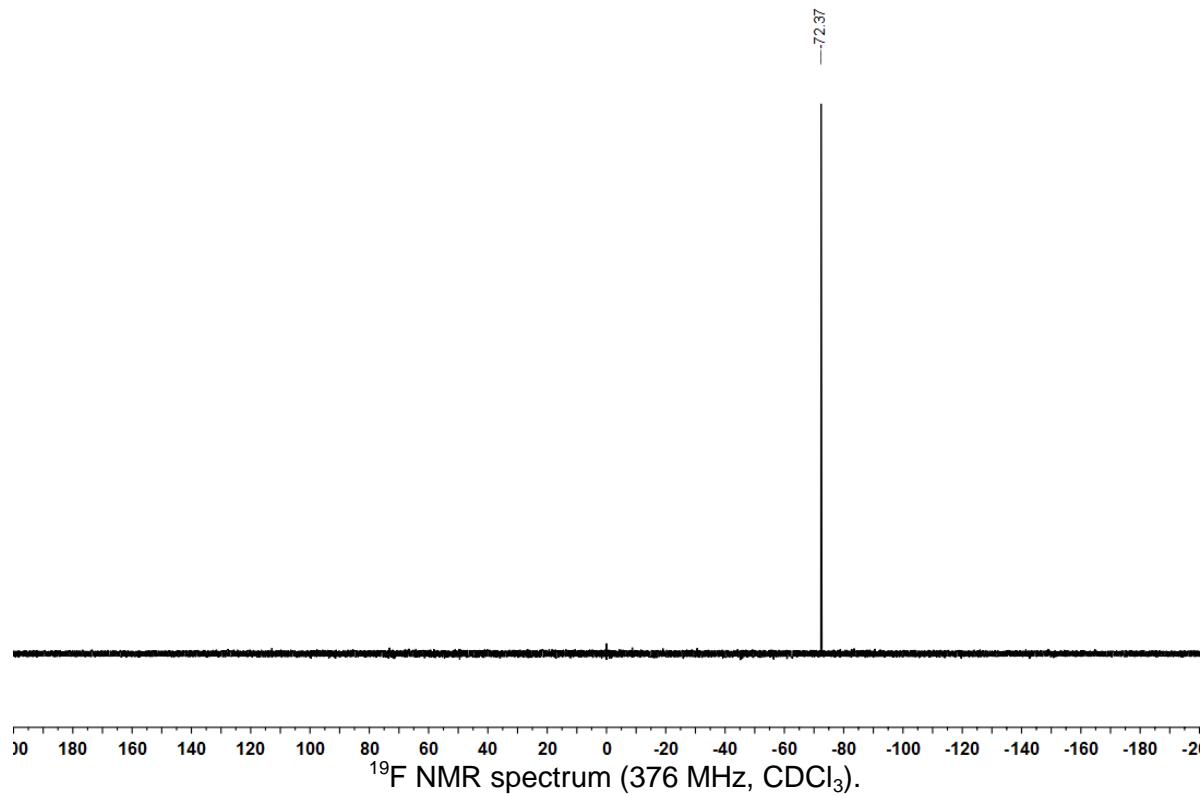
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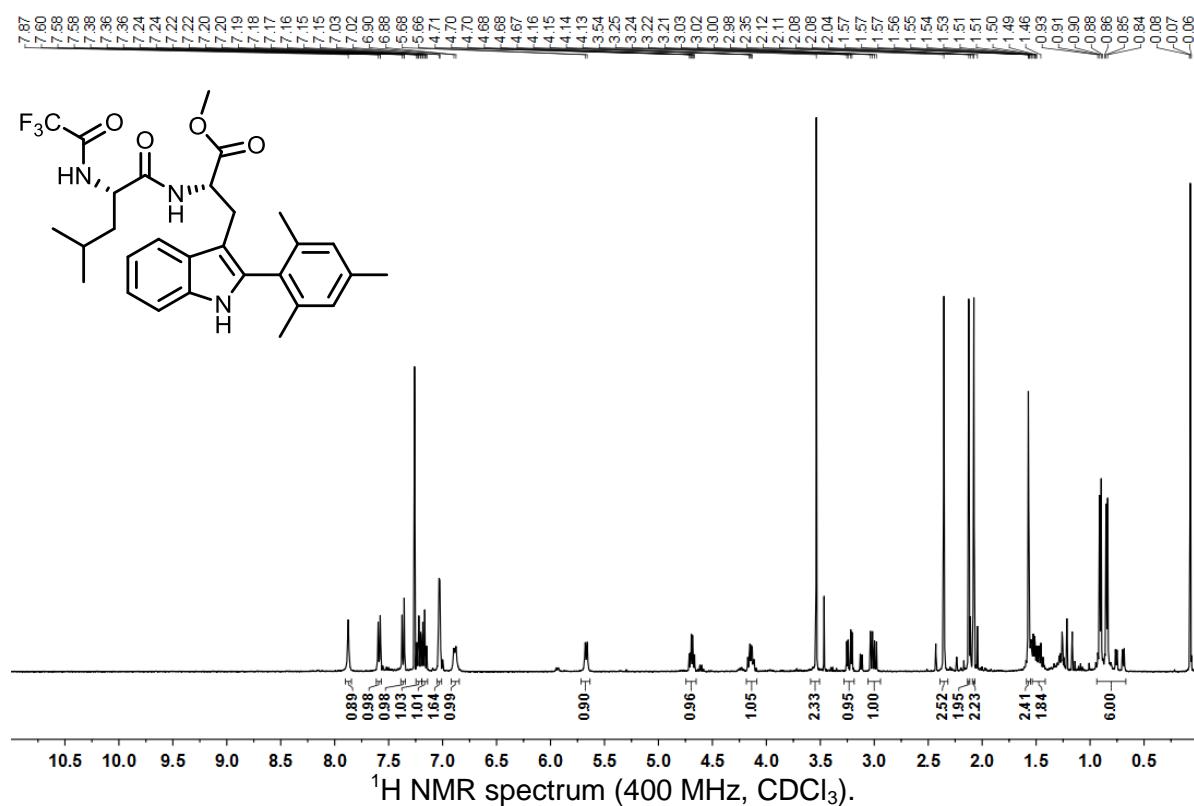


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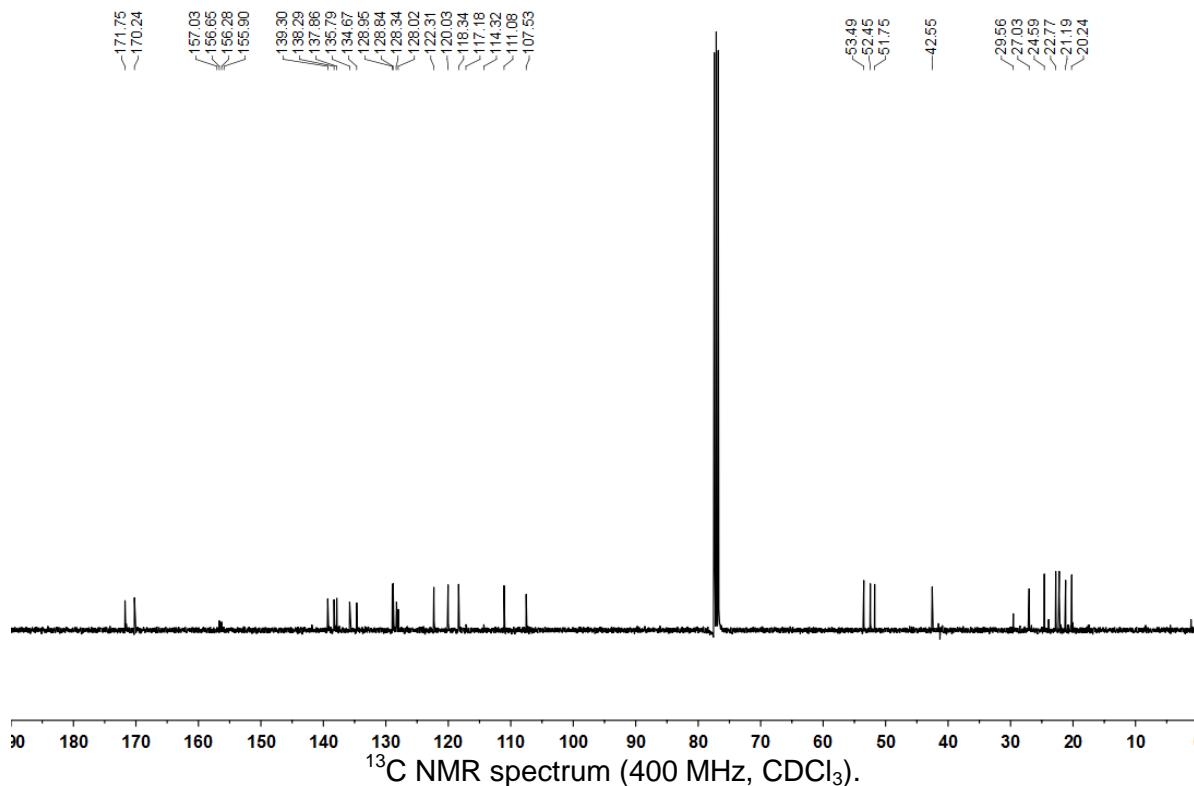


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