

Electronic Supplementary Information

An investigation of the role increasing π -conjugation has on the efficiency of dye-sensitized solar cells fabricated from ferrocene-based dyes

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1. Cyclic voltammetry

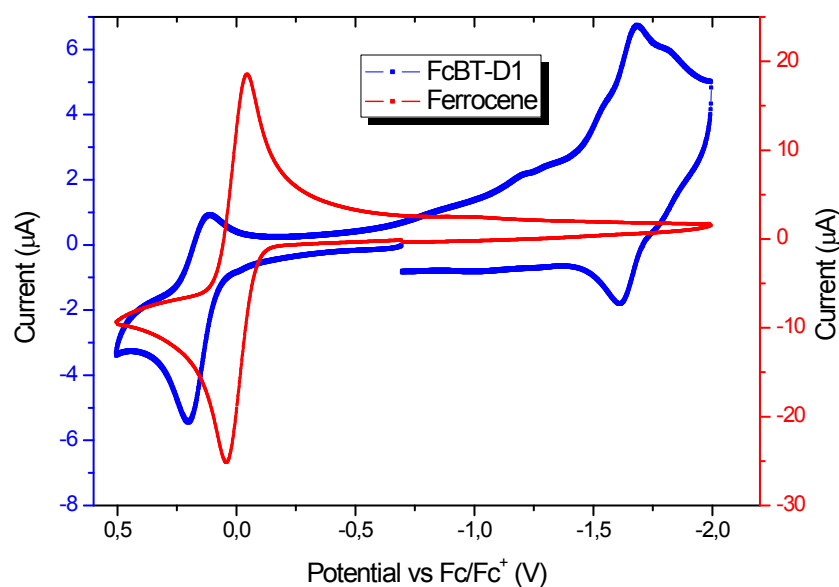


Fig. S1. Cyclic voltammogram of a solution of **Fc-D1** (1×10^{-3} M) in DMF (blue line) and of ferrocene in DMF (red line), performed using a Pt working electrode, a Pt counter electrode and a Ag wire as a pseudo-reference electrode. TBAPF₆ (0.1M) was used as supporting electrolyte and the collected data were referred to the redox potential of the Fc/Fc⁺ couple.

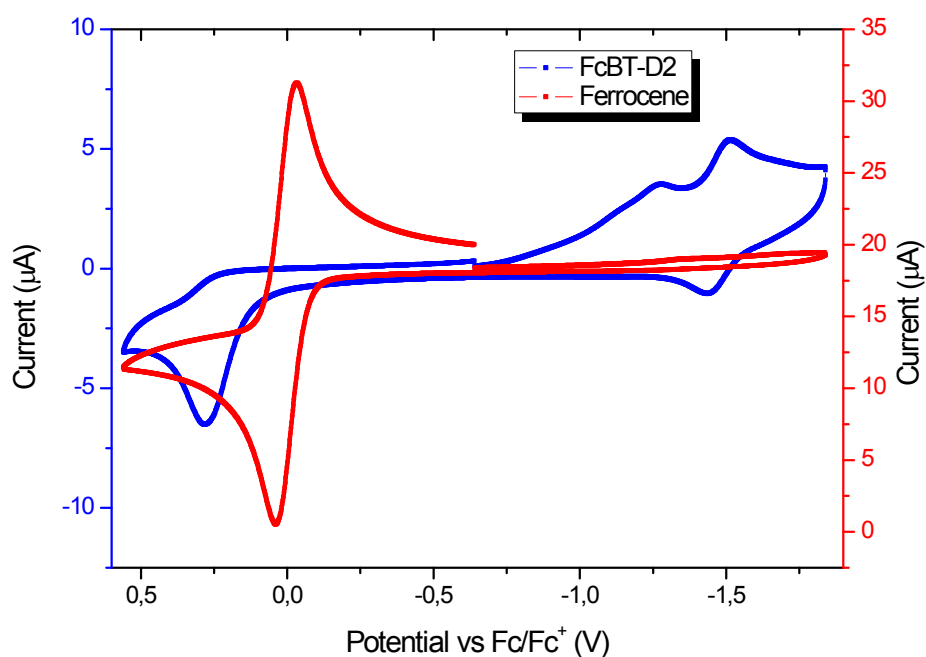


Fig. S2. Cyclic voltammogram of a solution of **Fc-D2** ($1 \times 10^{-3}\text{M}$) in DMF (blue line) and of ferrocene in DMF (red line), performed using a Pt working electrode, a Pt counter electrode and a Ag wire as a pseudo-reference electrode. TBAPF_6 (0.1M) was used as supporting electrolyte and the collected data were referred to the redox potential of the Fc/Fc^+ couple.

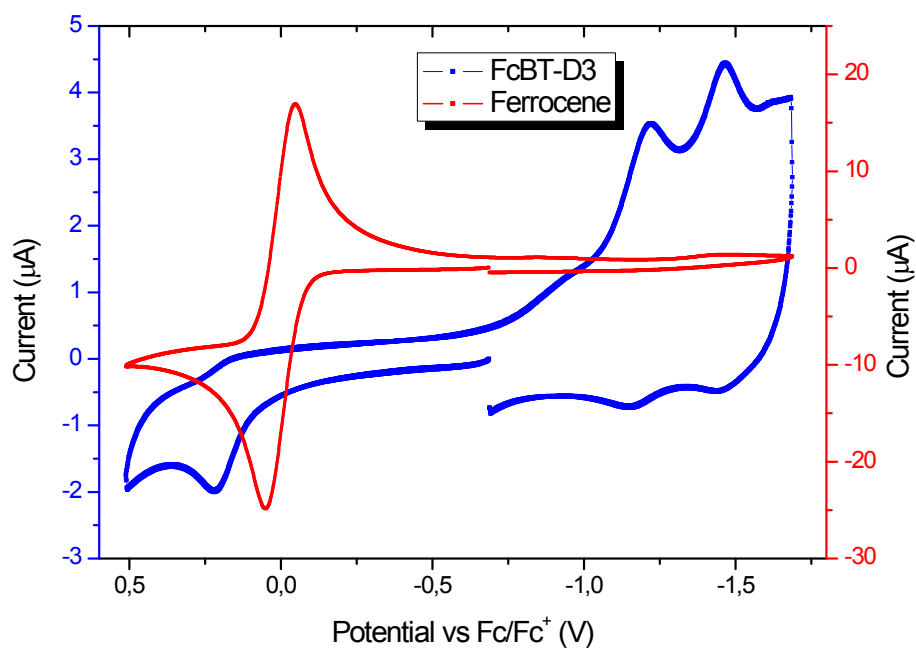
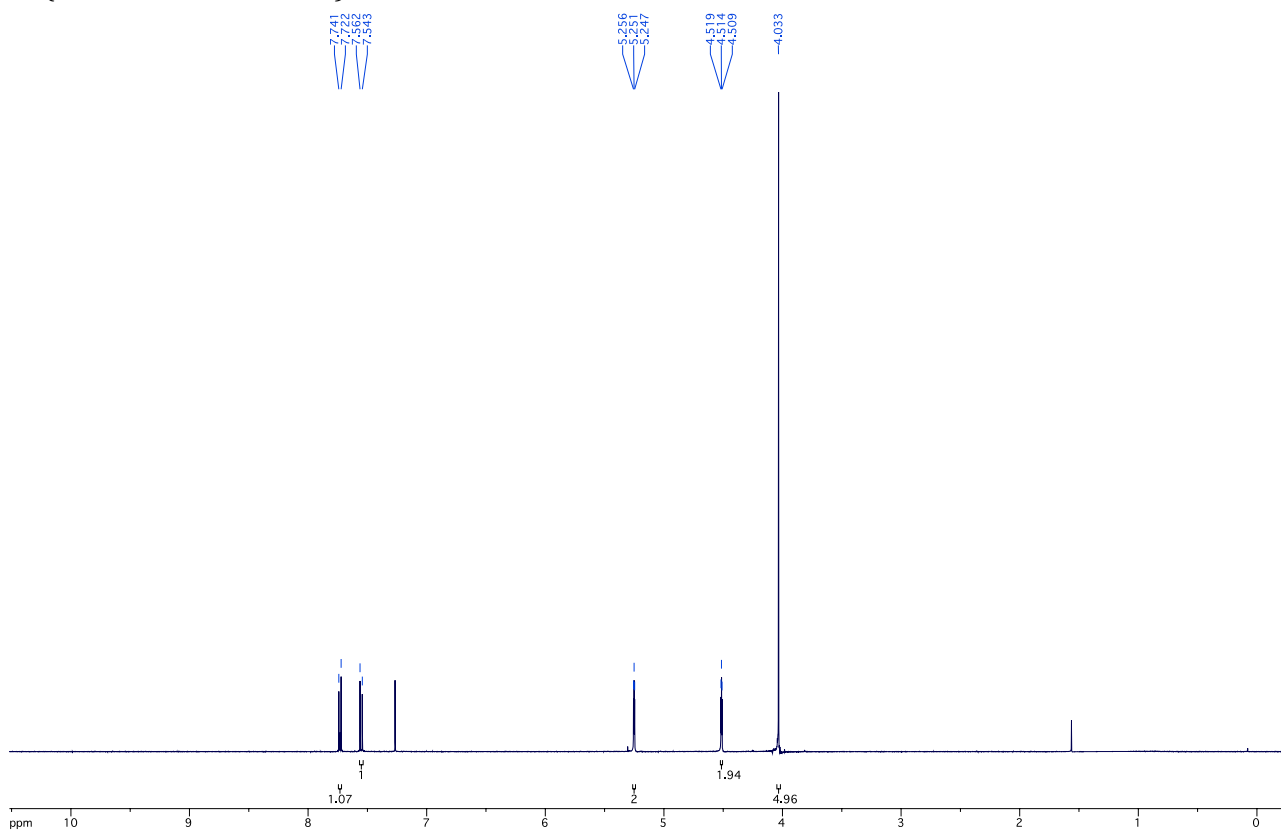


Fig. S3. Cyclic voltammogram of a solution of **Fc-D3** ($1 \times 10^{-3}\text{M}$) in DMF (blue line) and of ferrocene in DMF (red line), performed using a Pt working electrode, a Pt counter electrode and a Ag wire as a pseudo-reference electrode. TBAPF_6 (0.1M) was used as supporting electrolyte and the collected data were referred to the redox potential of the Fc/Fc^+ couple.

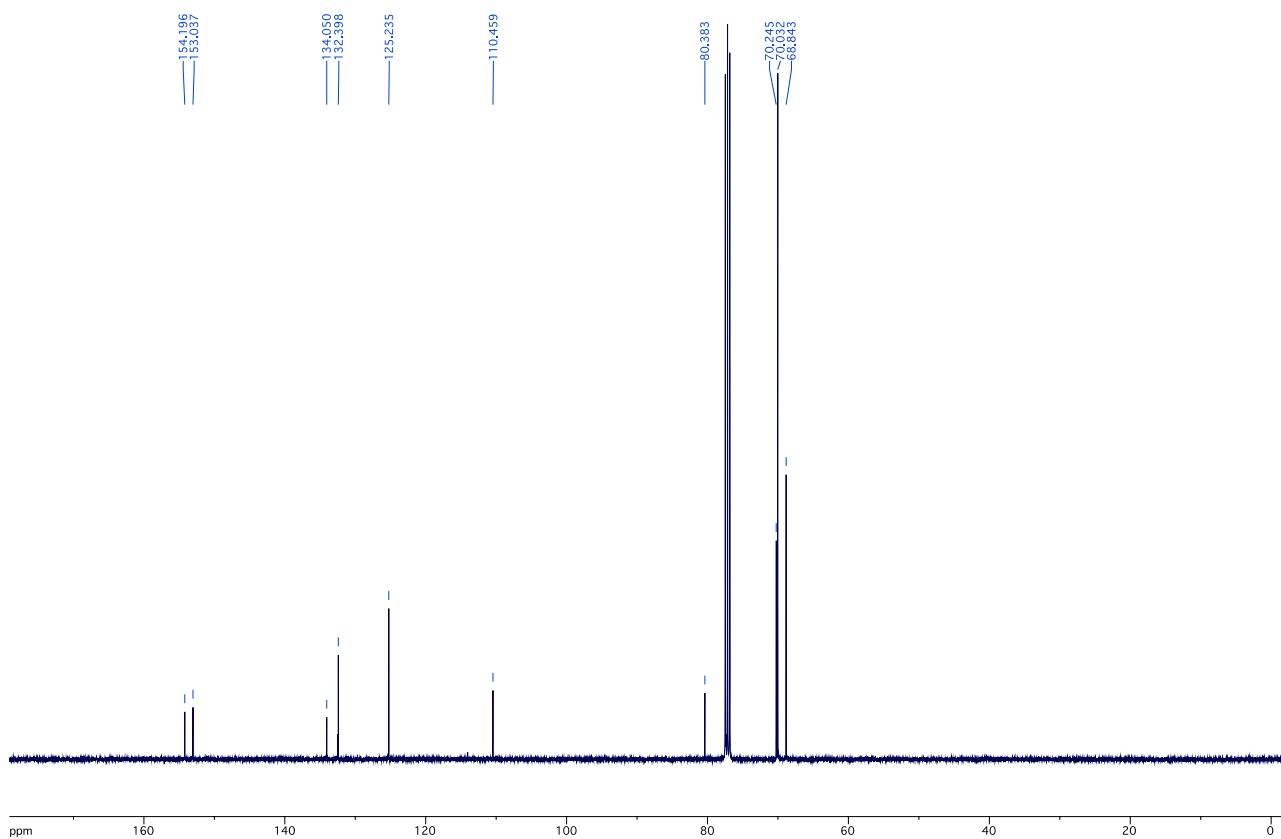
2. NMR Spectra

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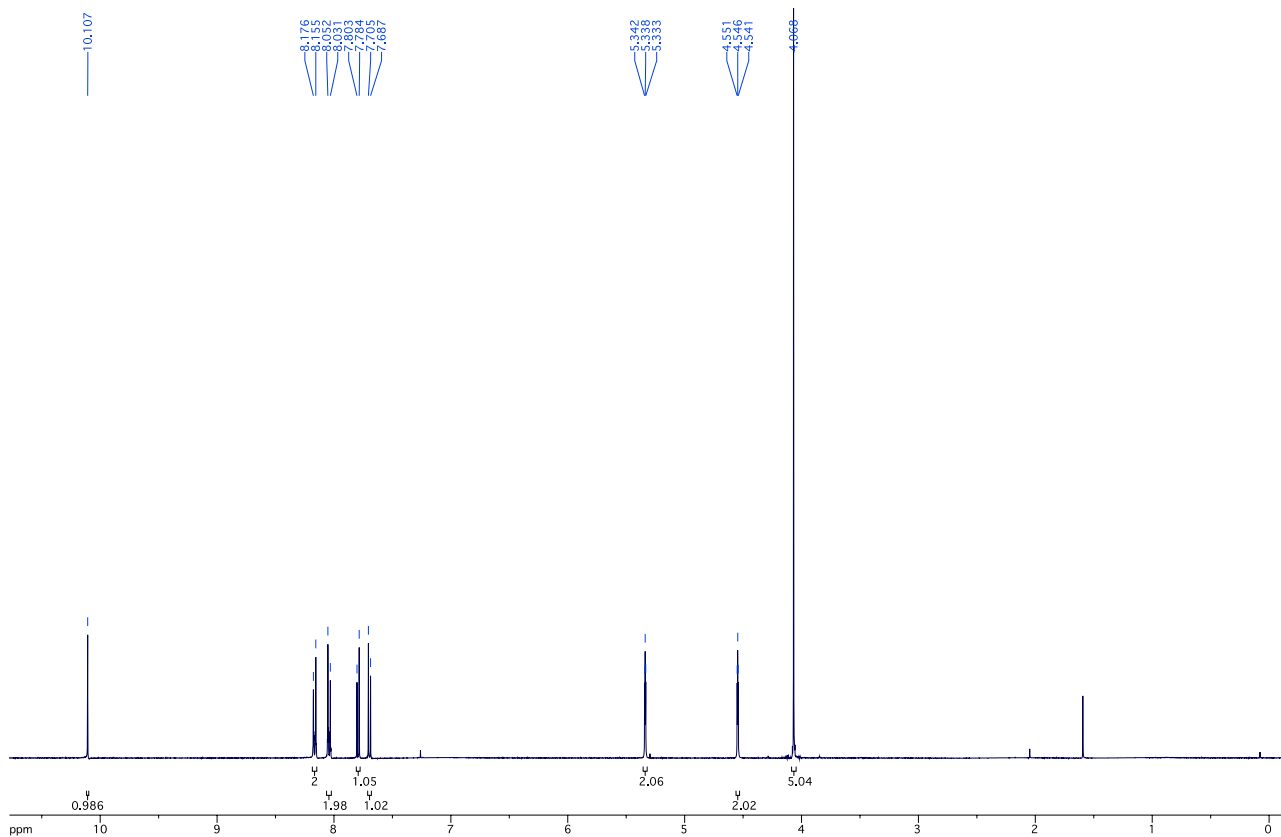


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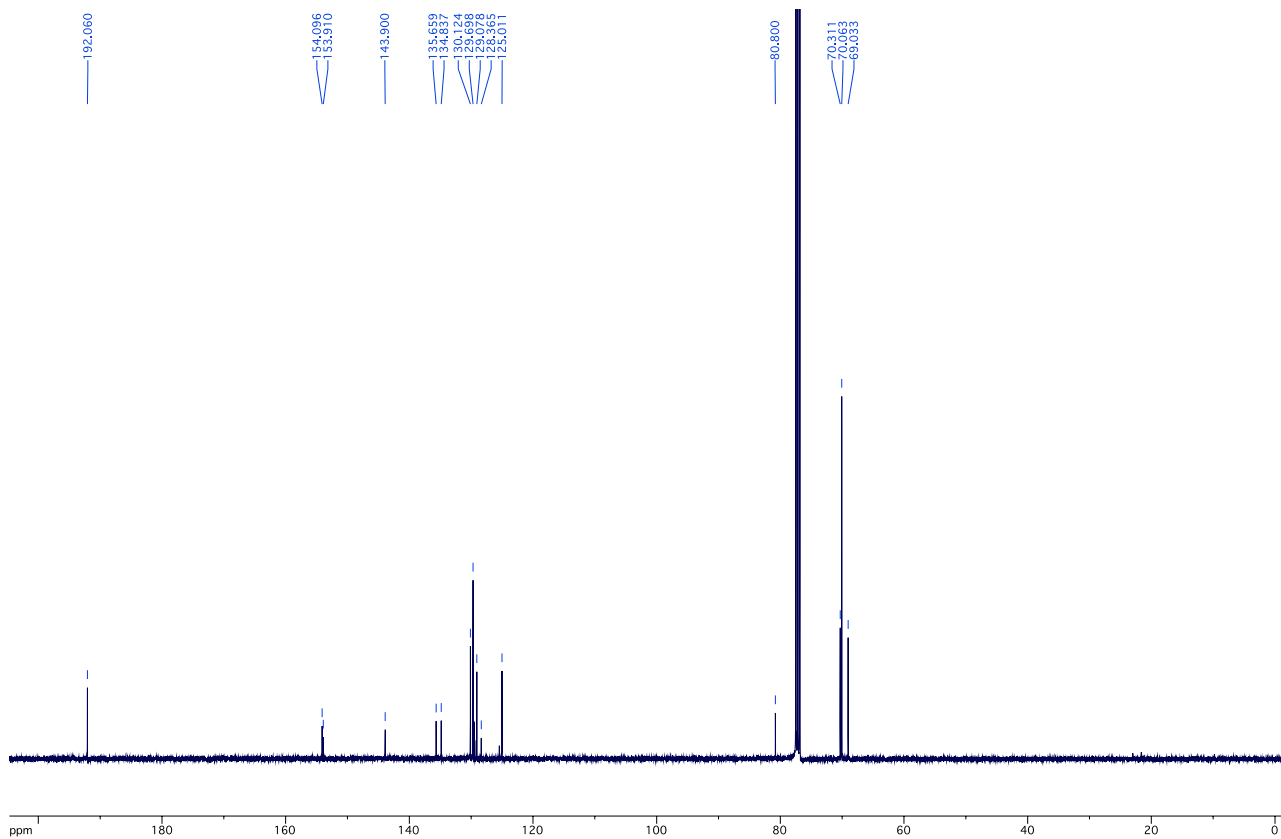


Compound 4

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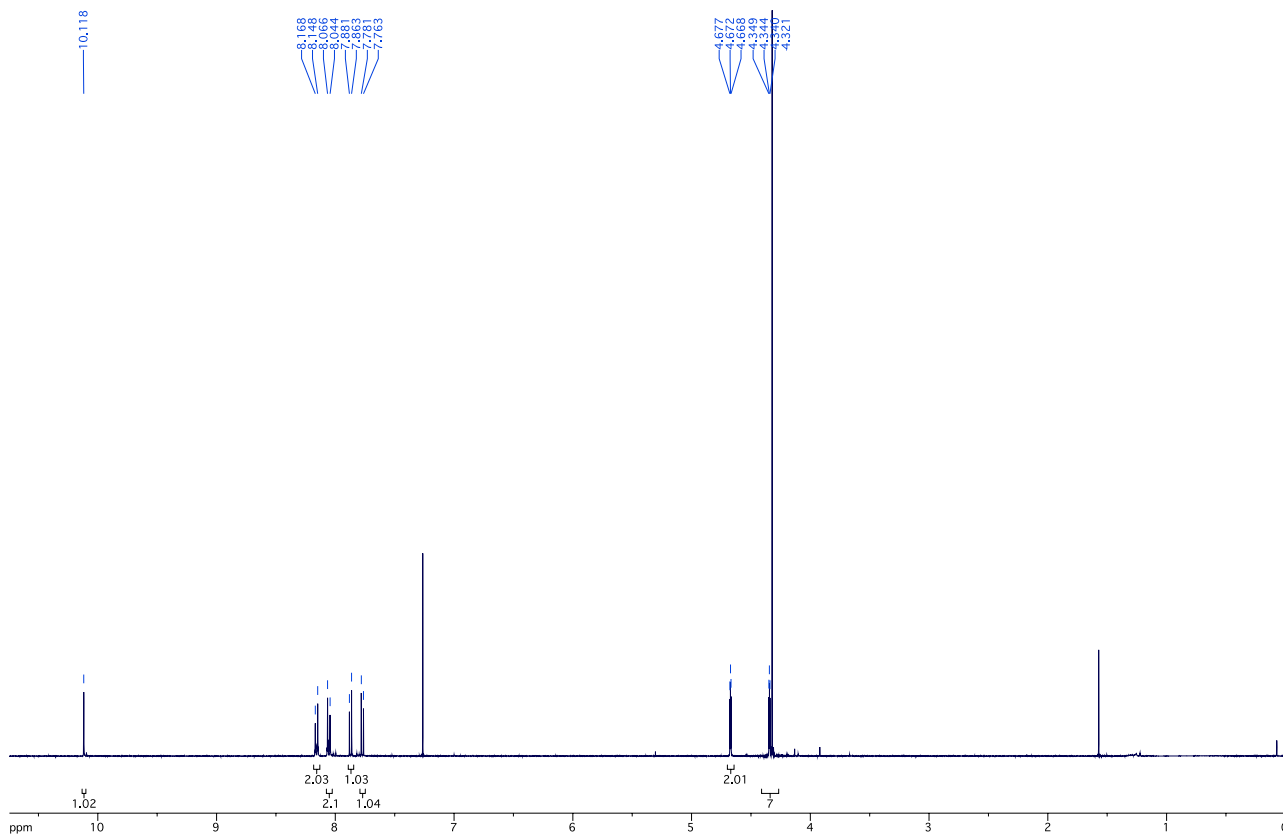


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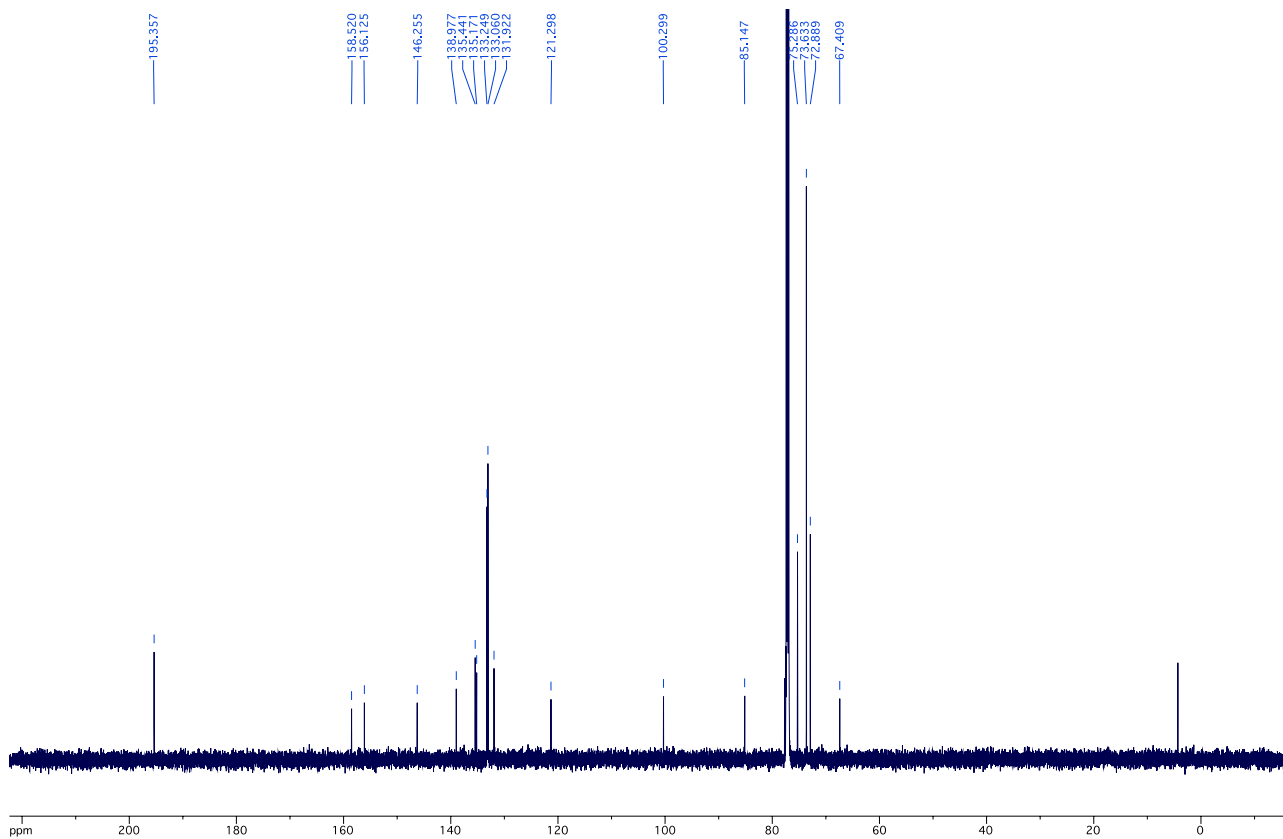


Compound 7

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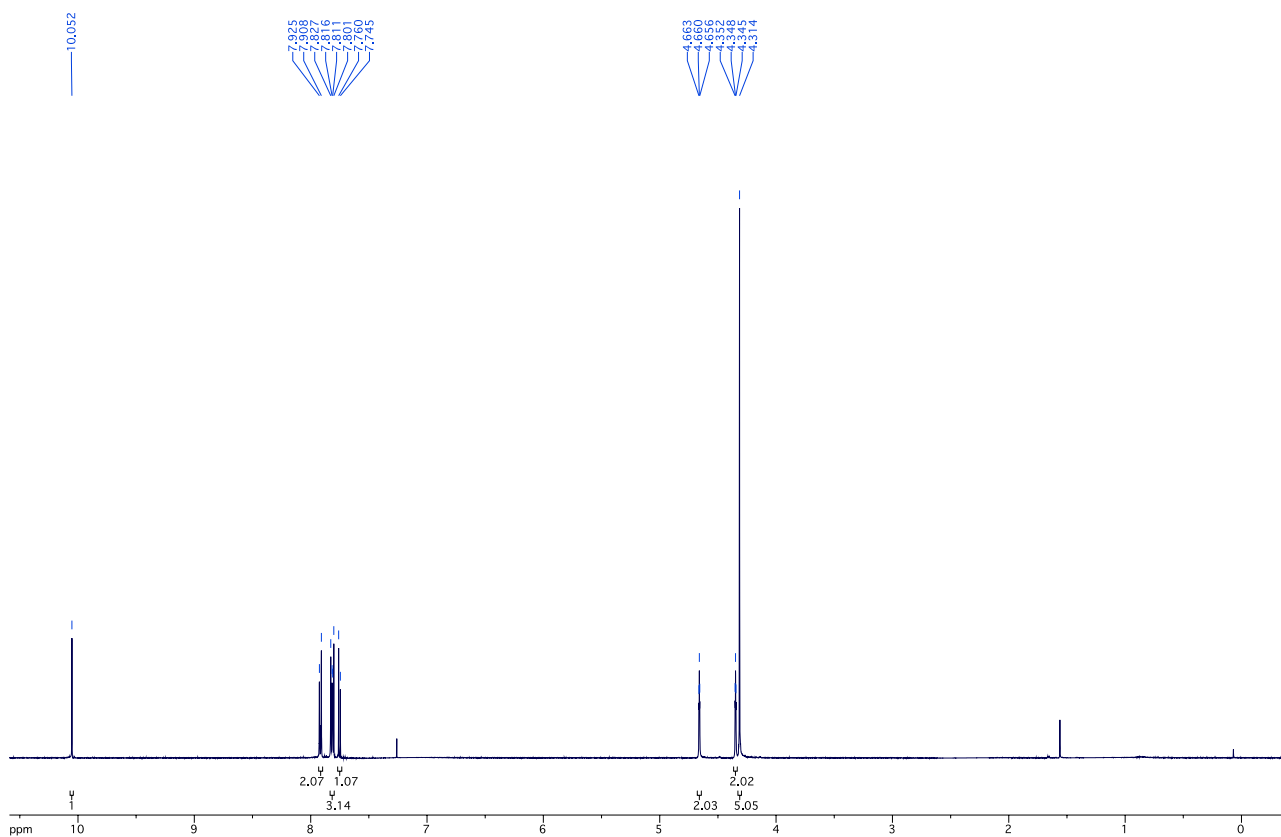


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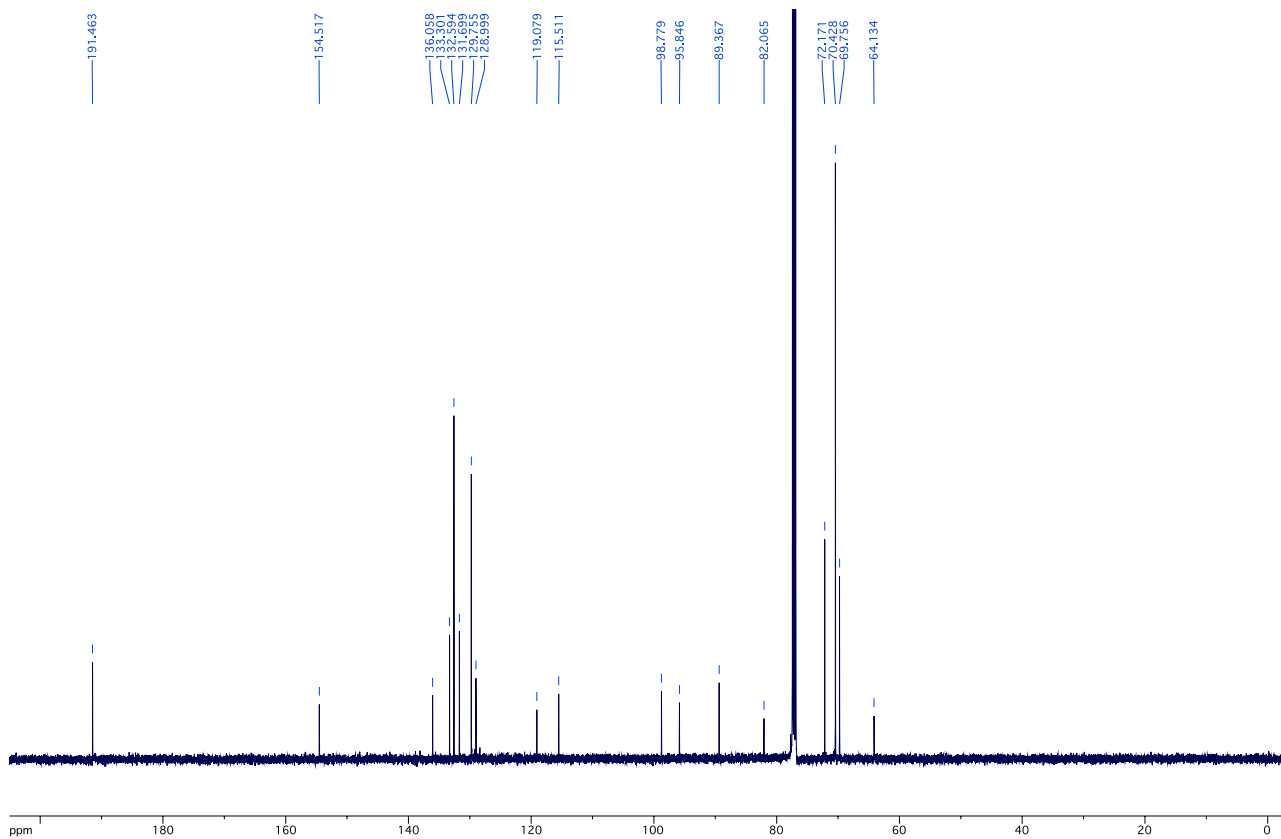


Compound 8

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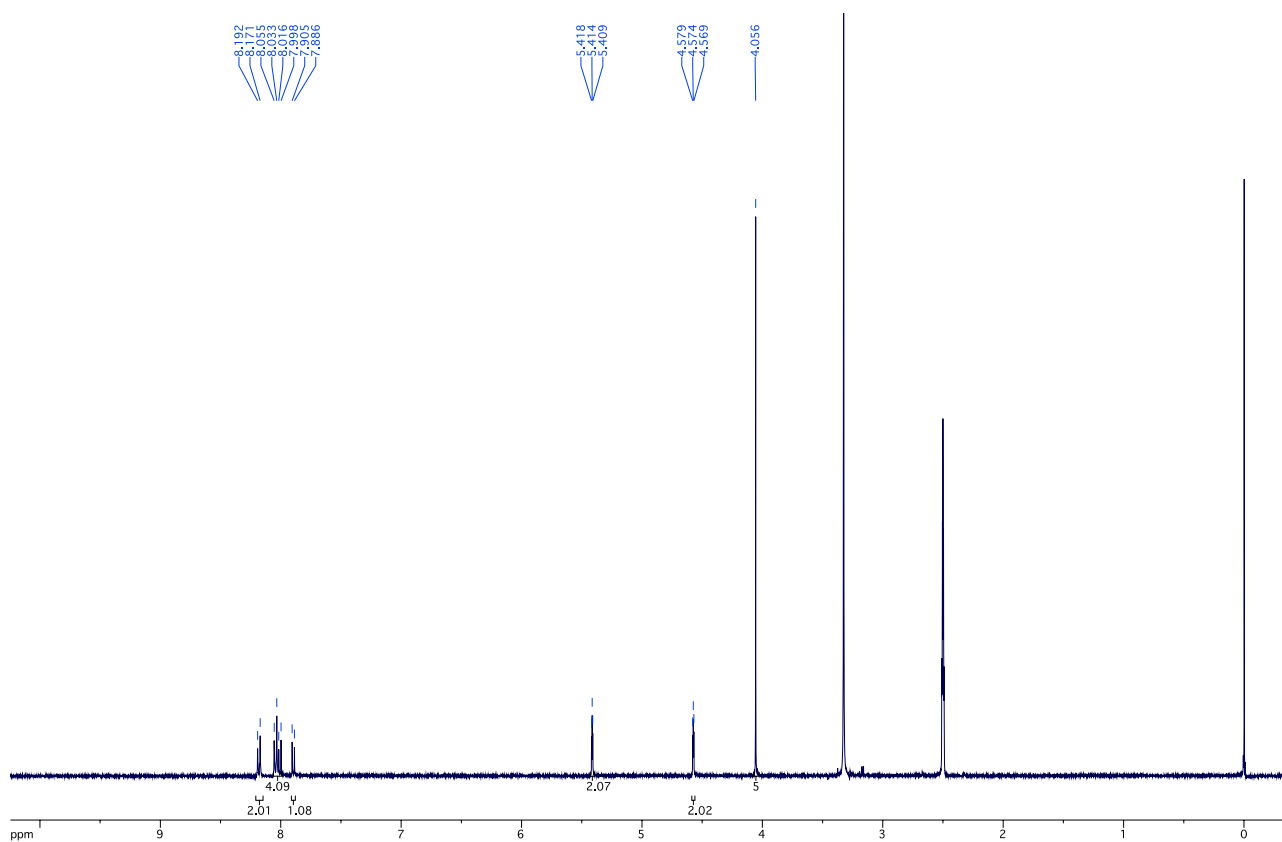


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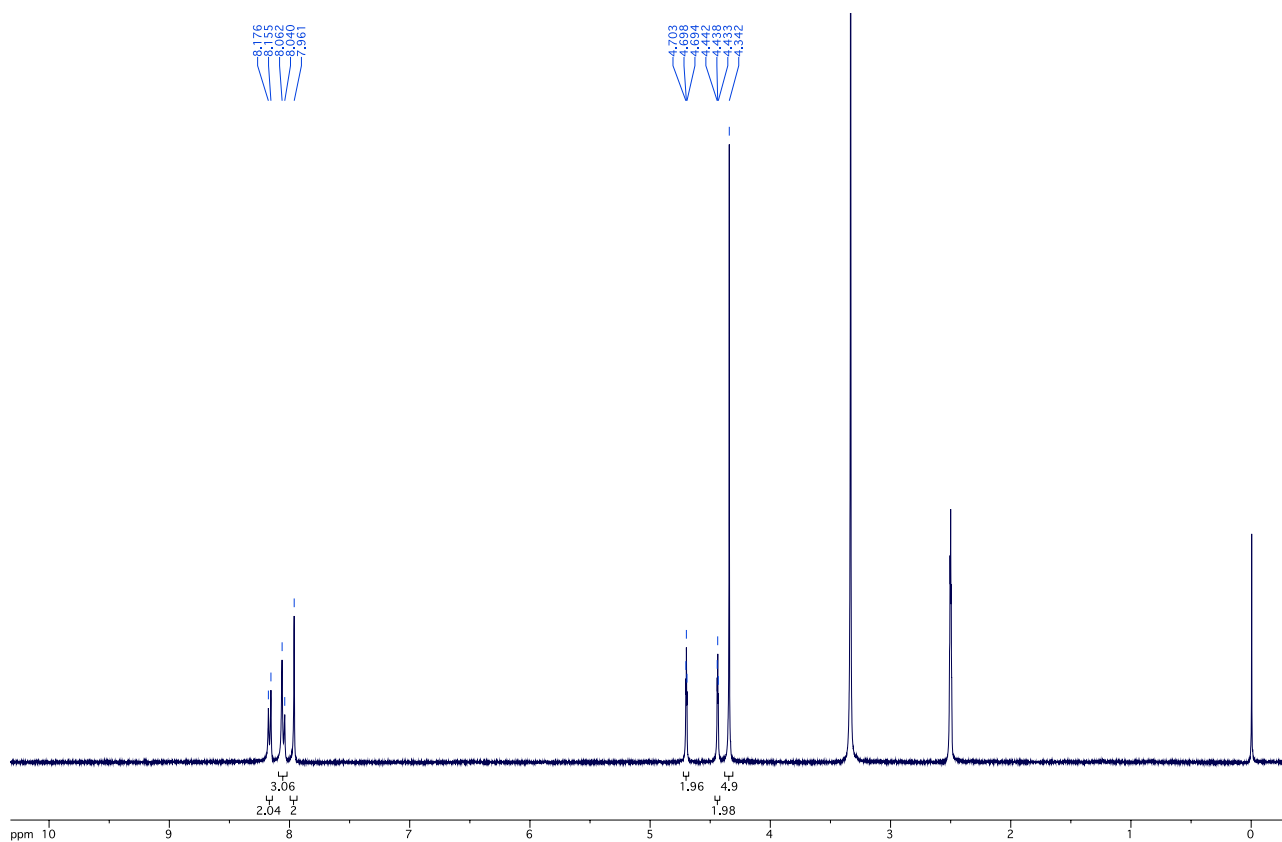
Fc-D1

^1H (400 MHz, *d*-DMSO, TMS)



Fc-D2

^1H (400 MHz, *d*-DMSO, TMS)



Fc-D3**¹H** (400 MHz, *d*-DMSO, TMS)