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**Synthesis of Novel Styryl-*N*-isopropyl-9H-carbazoles for Designing
trans-conjugated Regular Silicon Hybrid Materials**

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Synthesis procedures

Syntheses of carbazole derivatives

3-bromo-9H-carbazole (6)¹ A solution of NBS (4.48 g, 0.02392 mol) in 8 mL DMF was added slowly to a solution of 9H-carbazole (4 g, 0.02392 mol, which was recrystallized from hot acetone) in dichloromethane (75 mL) in to a two-necked round bottom flask. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature and the progress of the reaction was controlled by GCMS analysis. The mixture was extracted with H₂O and dried over anhydrous MgSO₄ for 12h and filtered. The organic part was isolated by very quick 'flash' column system (glass filter G3, silica gel, Celite®) connected with membrane pump. The excess of solvent was evaporated and dried under vacuum. The isolated yield was 98% (5.76 g) as a white solid. The final product was confirmed by spectroscopic methods.

¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.25 (m, 1H, (G)), 7.31 (d, 1H, (B), *J*_{HH} = 8.4Hz), 7.43 (m, 1H, (F)), 7.5 (d, 1H, (C), *J*_{HH} = 6.6 Hz), 8.0 (d, 1H, (H), *J*_{HH} = 7.8 Hz), 8.08 (s, 1H, (D)), 8.1 (s, 1H, (A)), 8.18 (d, 1H, (E), *J*_{HH} = 4 Hz). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 139.9, 138.1, 128.6, 126.7, 125.2, 123.4, 122.5, 120.6, 120.0, 112.3, 112.1, 110.9. MS (m/z (relat. int. %)): 246.3 (73.4) (M⁺), 244.9 (82.3), 166 (100), 164 (19.8), 140 (70), 122.3 (12.8), 87.2 (15), 82.5 (23.6), 69.3 (27.6). mp. 188.2-188.5°C.

3,6-dibromo-9H-carbazole (7)² was synthesized by the same method as **6** using 2 eq. of NBS (4.96 g, 0.04784 mol) in 12 mL DMF, 9H-carbazole (4 g, 0.02392 mol) in dichloromethane (120 mL). The isolated yield was 97% (7.54 g) as a white solid. The final product was confirmed by spectroscopic methods.

¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.3 (d, 2H, (C), *J*_{HH} = 8.4 Hz), 7.51 (d, 2H, (B), *J*_{HH} = 8.1 Hz), 8.12 (s, 2H, (D)), 8.12 (s, 1H, (A)). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 138.5, 129.4, 124.2, 123.4, 112.76, 29.7. MS (m/z (relat. int. %)): 324.7 (100) (M⁺), 322.7 (51.9), 245.8 (36.5), 243.9 (41.4), 165.1 (82.7), 164 (74.4), 138 (37.5), 137 (29.4), 111.1 (14.5), 97.9 (10.6), 87 (25.7), 86 (27), 82.4 (46.6), 74 (27.7). mp. 200.0-200.3°C.

N-isopropylcarbazole (8)²⁶ A two-necked round bottom flask equipped with a condenser and magnetic stirring bar was charged with carbazole (15 g, 0.09 mol) and acetone (300 mL). The solution was stirred and heated at boiling point. Isopropyl bromide (14 mL, 0.153 mol), tetrabutylammonium bromide (1.6 g, 0.005 mol) and potassium hydroxide (8 g, 0.144 mol) were added to a solution. The reaction mixture was stirred for 4 hours. The mixture was cooled to the room temperature and the solvent was evaporated. The residue was dissolved in dichloromethane and extracted with H₂O. The organic part was dried over anhydrous MgSO₄ for 24 hours and filtered. The solution was isolated by very quick 'flash' column system (glass filter G3, silica gel, Celite®) connected with membrane pump. The excess of solvent was evaporated under vacuum. The residue was stirred with cold petroleum ether, filtered and dried under high vacuum pump. N-isopropylcarbazole was obtained with 96% yield (18 g) as a white solid. The reaction progress was monitored by TLC and GCMS analysis. The final product was confirmed by spectroscopic methods.

¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃; δ(ppm)): 1.75 (d, 6H, (F), *J*_{HH} = 6.9 Hz), 5.03 (m, 1H, (E)), 7.24 (d, 2H, (D), *J*_{HH} = 7.5 Hz), 7.28 (t, 2H, (C)), 7.57 (d, 2H (B), *J*_{HH} = 9 Hz), 8.16 (d, 2H, (A), *J*_{HH} = 7.8 Hz). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃; δ(ppm)): 139.5, 125.4, 123.3, 120.4, 118.6, 110.0, 46.7, 20.8. MS (EI) (m/z (relat. int. %)): 209.2 (100) (M⁺), 208.2 (11.9), 207.3 (5.9), 194.4 (36), 193.5 (11.6). mp. 120.5-120.7°C.

3-bromo-N-isopropylcarbazole (9)²⁶ A solution of NBS (3.4 g, 0.019 mol) in 8 mL DMF was added slowly to a solution of N-isopropyl-carbazole (4 g, 0.019 mol) in dichloromethane (50 mL). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature and the progress of the reaction was controlled by GCMS analysis. The mixture was extracted with H₂O and dried over anhydrous MgSO₄ for 24h and filtered. The organic part was isolated by very quick 'flash' column system (glass filter G3, silica gel, Celite®) connected with membrane pump. The excess of solvent was evaporated and dried under vacuum. The isolated yield was over 98% (5.4 g).

¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃; δ(ppm)): 1.72 (d, 6H, (A), *J*_{HH} = 7.2 Hz), 4.98 (m, 1H, (B)), 7.23-7.57 (5H, (I, C, H, D, G), 8.08 (d, 1H, (F), *J*_{HH} = 7.8 Hz), 8.24 (s, 1H, (E)). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃; δ(ppm)): 139.9, 138.2, 128.1, 126.2, 125.2, 123.2,

122.4, 120.6, 119.1, 111.5, 110.3, 47.0, 20.9. MS (EI) (m/z (relat. int. %)): 289.1 (37.5) (M^+), 288.2 (8.4), 287.1 (37), 275.2 (17.5), 274.1 (100), 273.2 (18), 272.2 (90), 193.2 (34.5), 192.3 (8.9), 166.2 (14.9). MS (FAB, m/z (%) (M^+ ,100): 288. mp. 87.6-87.8°C.

3,6-dibromo-N-isopropylcarbazole (10)²⁶ was synthesized by the same method as (9) using 2 eq. of NBS (2.55 g, 0.01413 mol) in 5 mL DMF, N-isopropylcarbazole (1.5 g, 0.00717 mol) in dichloromethane (90 mL). The isolated yield was 98% (2.58 g) as a white solid. The final product was confirmed by spectroscopic methods.

¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃; δ(ppm)): 1.68 (d, 6H (A), J_{HH} = 7.2 Hz), 4.91 (m, 1H, (B)), 7.39 (d, 2H, (D), J_{HH} = 8.7 Hz), 7.52 (d, 2H, (C), J_{HH} = 8.7 Hz), 8.14 (s, 2H, (E)). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃; δ(ppm)): 179.6, 169.9, 165.2, 164.4, 153.1, 118.3, 88.4, 62.0. MS (EI) (m/z (relat. int. %)): 369.1 (28.2) (M^+), 368.1 (10.1), 367.2 (59.2), 366.2 (5.9), 365.2 (27.8), 355.2 (8.2), 354.2 (55.5), 353.2 (17.2), 352.2 (100), 351.4 (8.5), 350.3 (46.5) 273.3 (30.3), 271.4 (28.7), 164.3 (15.3). MS (FAB, m/z (%) (M^+ ,100): 367. mp. 126.6-126.8°C.

2,7-dibromo-N-isopropylcarbazole (11) A two-neck round bottom flask equipped with a condenser and magnetic stirring bar was charged with 2,7-dibromocarbazole (1.038 g, 0.0032 mol) and acetone (30 mL). The solution was stirred and heated at boiling point. Isopropyl bromide (0.51 mL, 0.00544 mol), tetra-n-butylammonium bromide (0.057 g, 0.000176 mol) and potassium hydroxide (0.287 g, 0.00512 mol) were added to the solution. The reaction mixture was stirred for 4 hours. The reaction progress was monitored by TLC and GCMS analysis. The mixture was cooled to the room temperature and the solvent was evaporated. The residue was dissolved in dichloromethane and extracted with H₂O. The organic part was dried over anhydrous MgSO₄ for 24 hours and filtered. The organic part was isolated by very quick 'flash' column system (glass filter G3, silica gel, Celite®) connected to membrane pump. The excess of solvent was evaporated under high vacuum. The residue was stirred with petroleum ether, filtered and dried. Product was obtained with 99% yield (1.15 g) as a white solid.

¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃; δ(ppm)): 1.69 (d, 6H, (A), J_{HH} = 7.2 Hz), 4.87 (m, 1H, (B)), 7.34 (d, 2H, (D), J_{HH} = 6.9 Hz), 7.66 (s, 2H, (C)), 7.89 (d, 2H, (E), J_{HH} = 8.1 Hz). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃; δ(ppm)): 140.5, 122.5, 121.9, 121.5, 119.6, 113.4, 47.3, 20.9. MS (EI) (m/z (relat. int. %)): 368.4 (22.9) (M^+), 367.5 (8.6), 366.3 (47.4), 364.4 (23.7), 353.4 (29.5), 351.3 (60.5), 324.5 (19.7), 323.5 (11.4), 272.6 (44.8), 270.8 (52.2), 245.9 (15.5), 243.9 (19), 192.1 (28.2), 191 (37.1), 165.1 (61.7), 163.9 (100)). MS (FAB, m/z (%) (M^+ ,100): 367. HRMS (m/z) calcd. for C₁₅H₁₃Br₂N: 364.94147, found 364.94143. mp. 147.1-147.2°C.

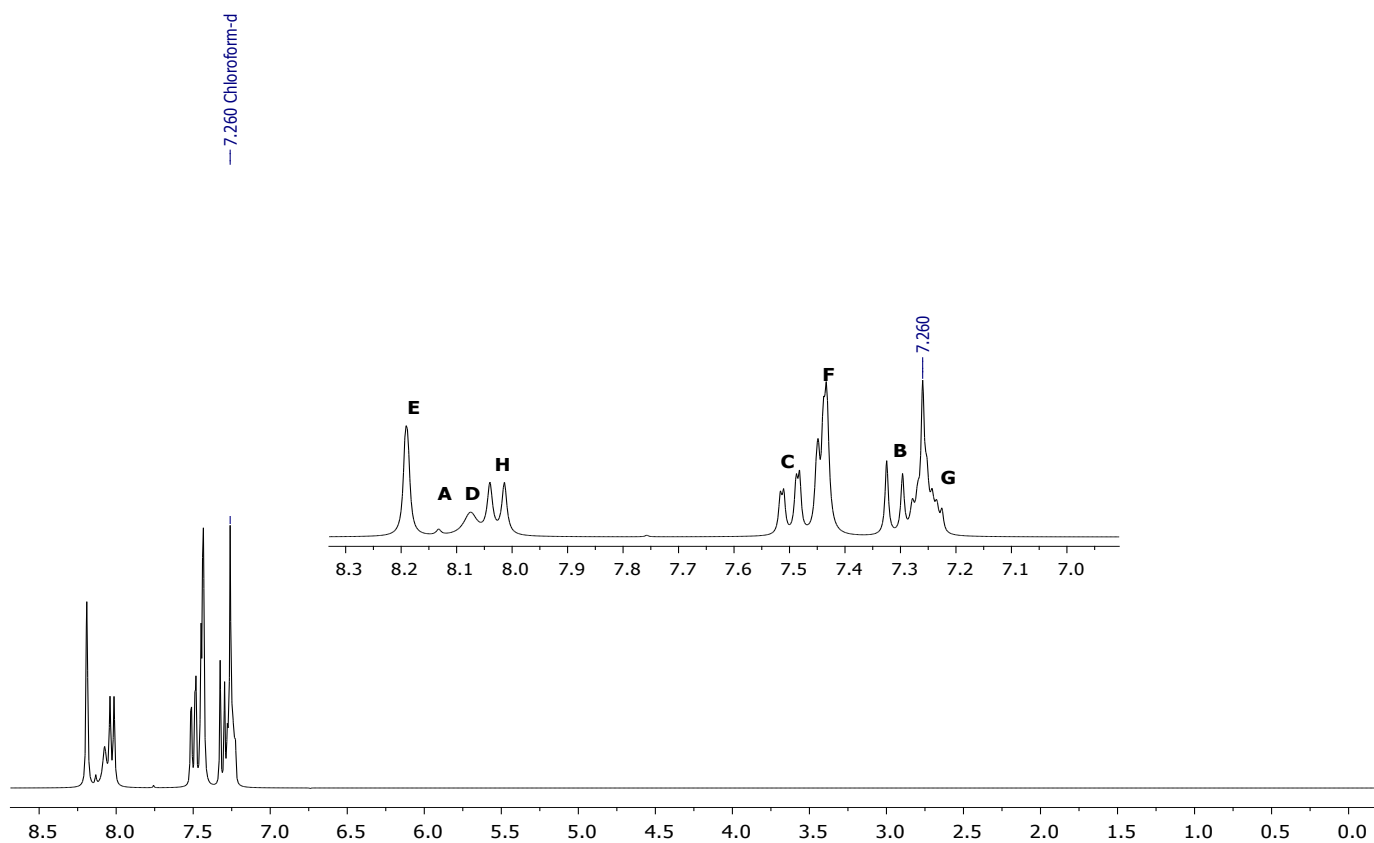
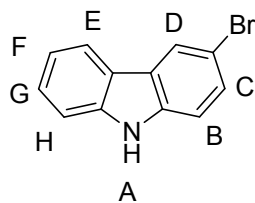
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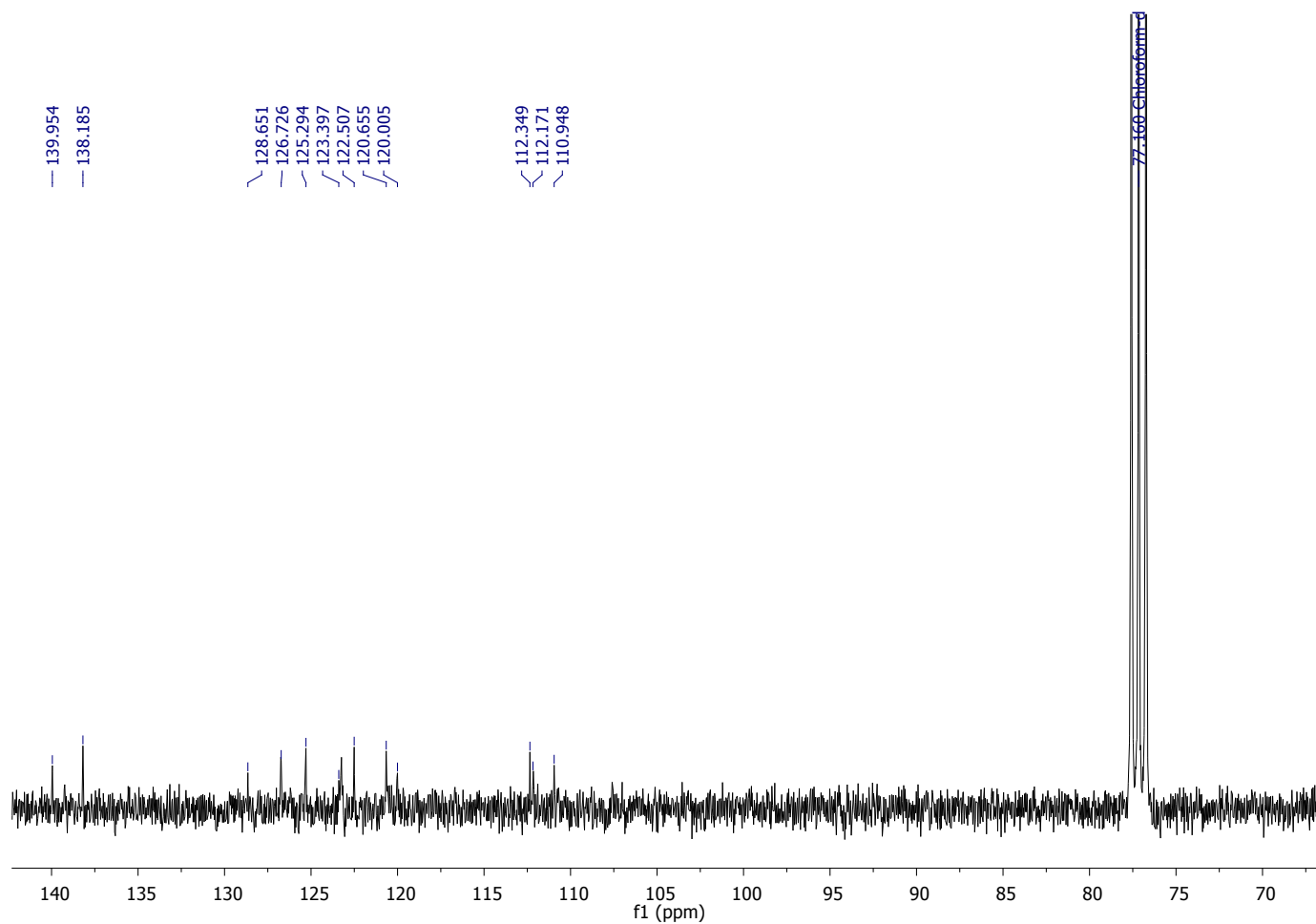
NMR Spectra

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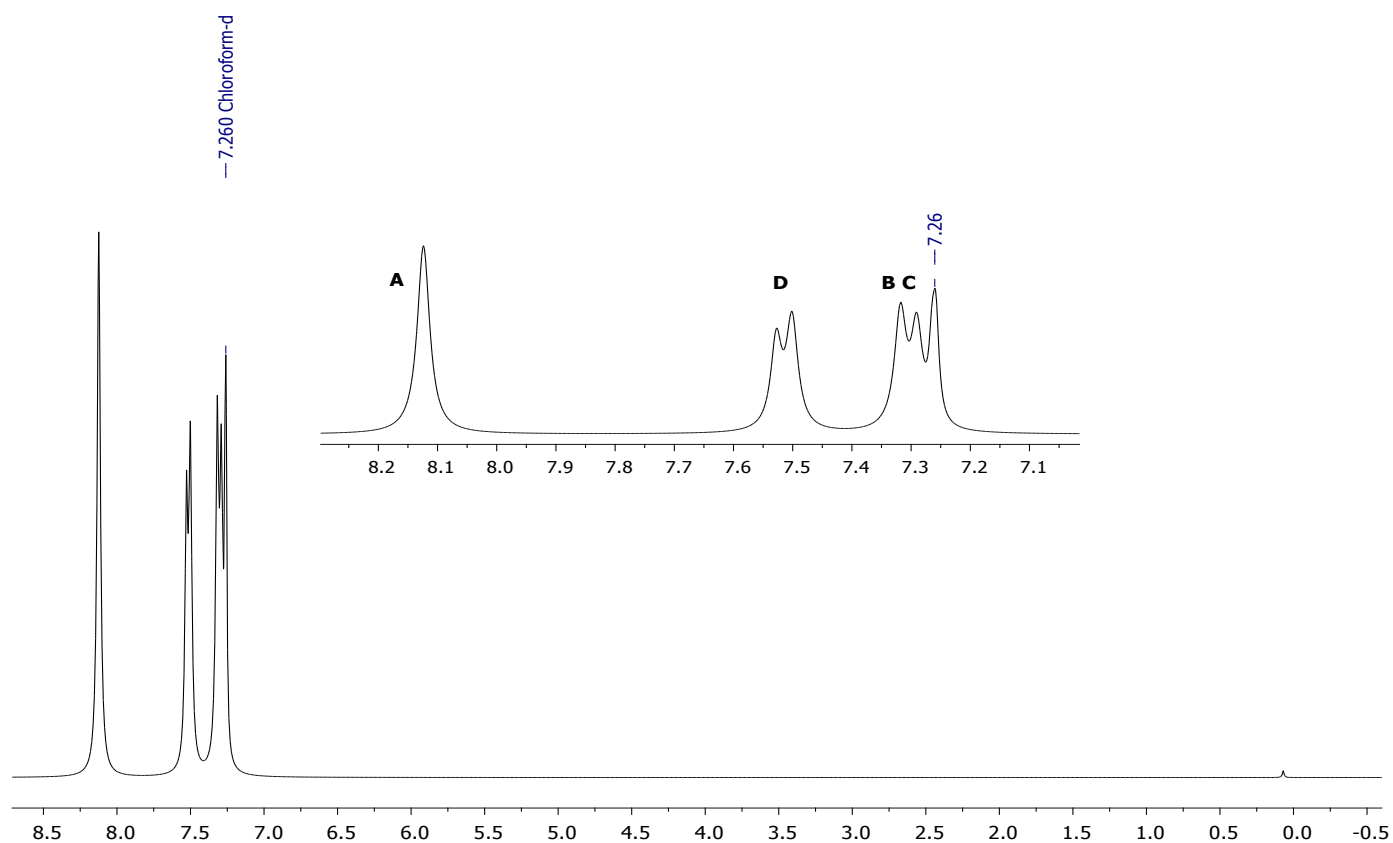
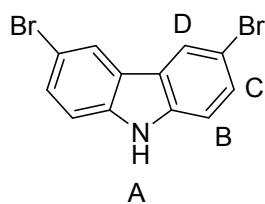
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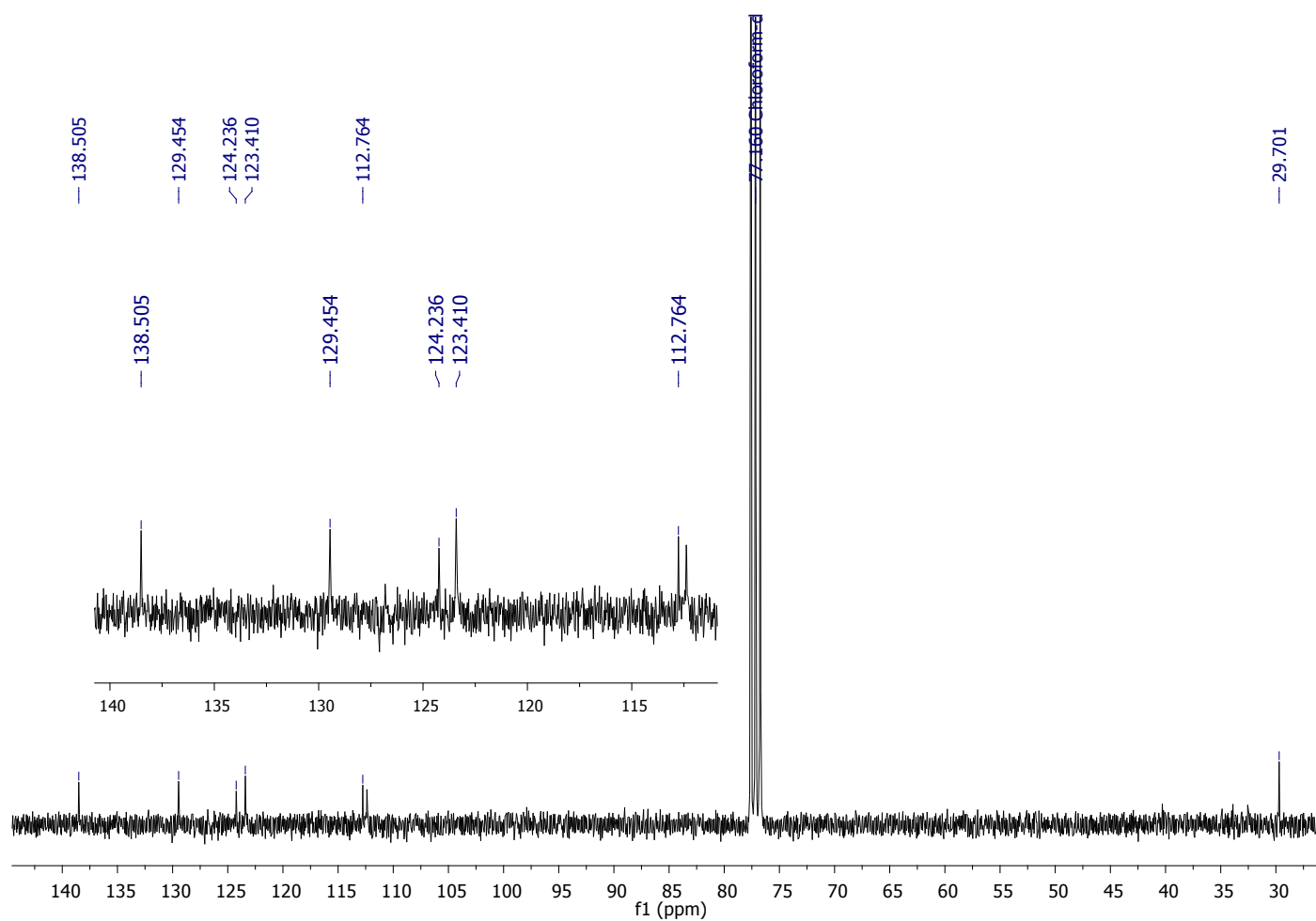
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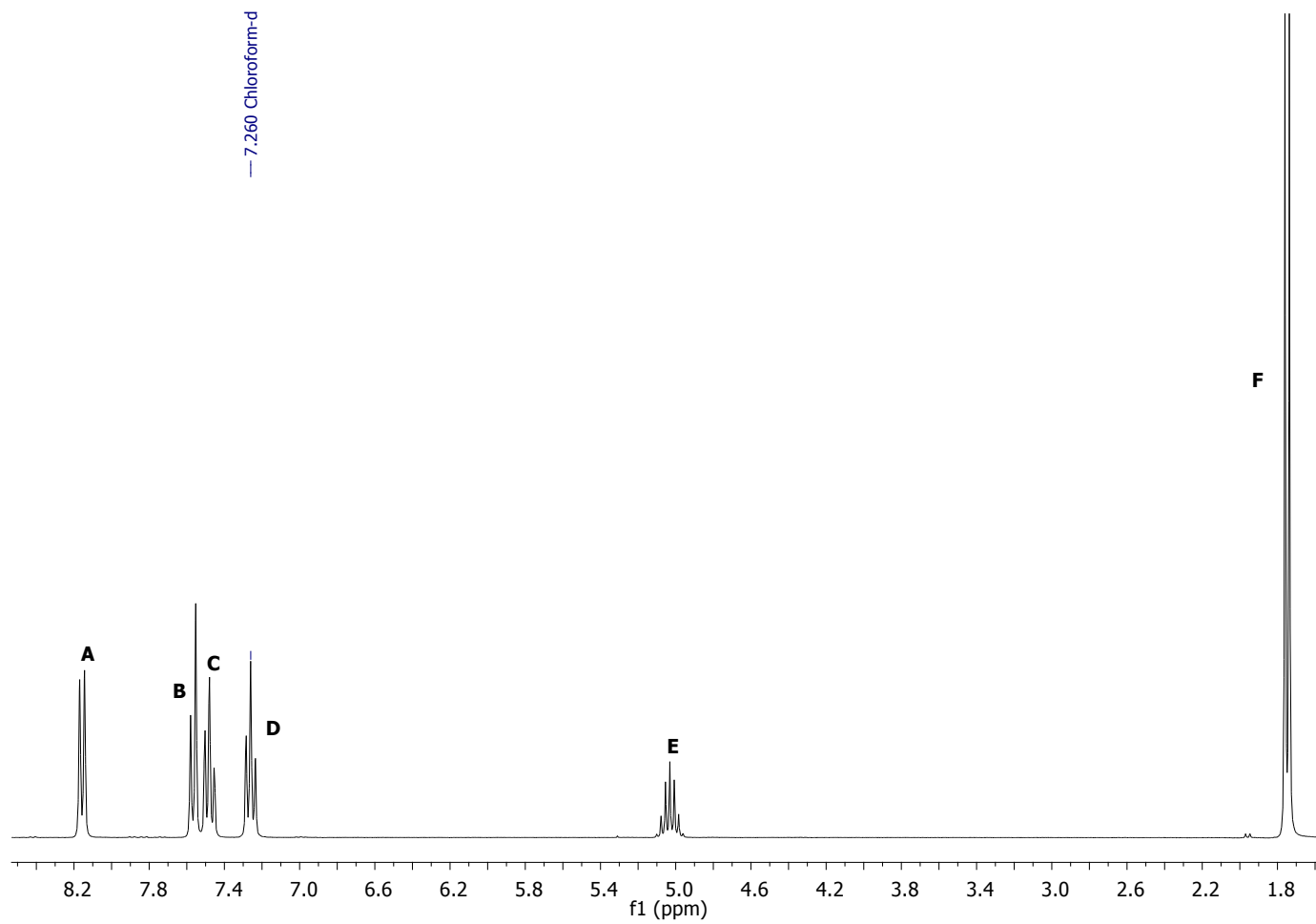
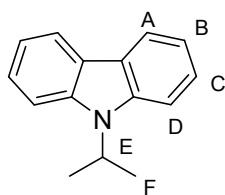
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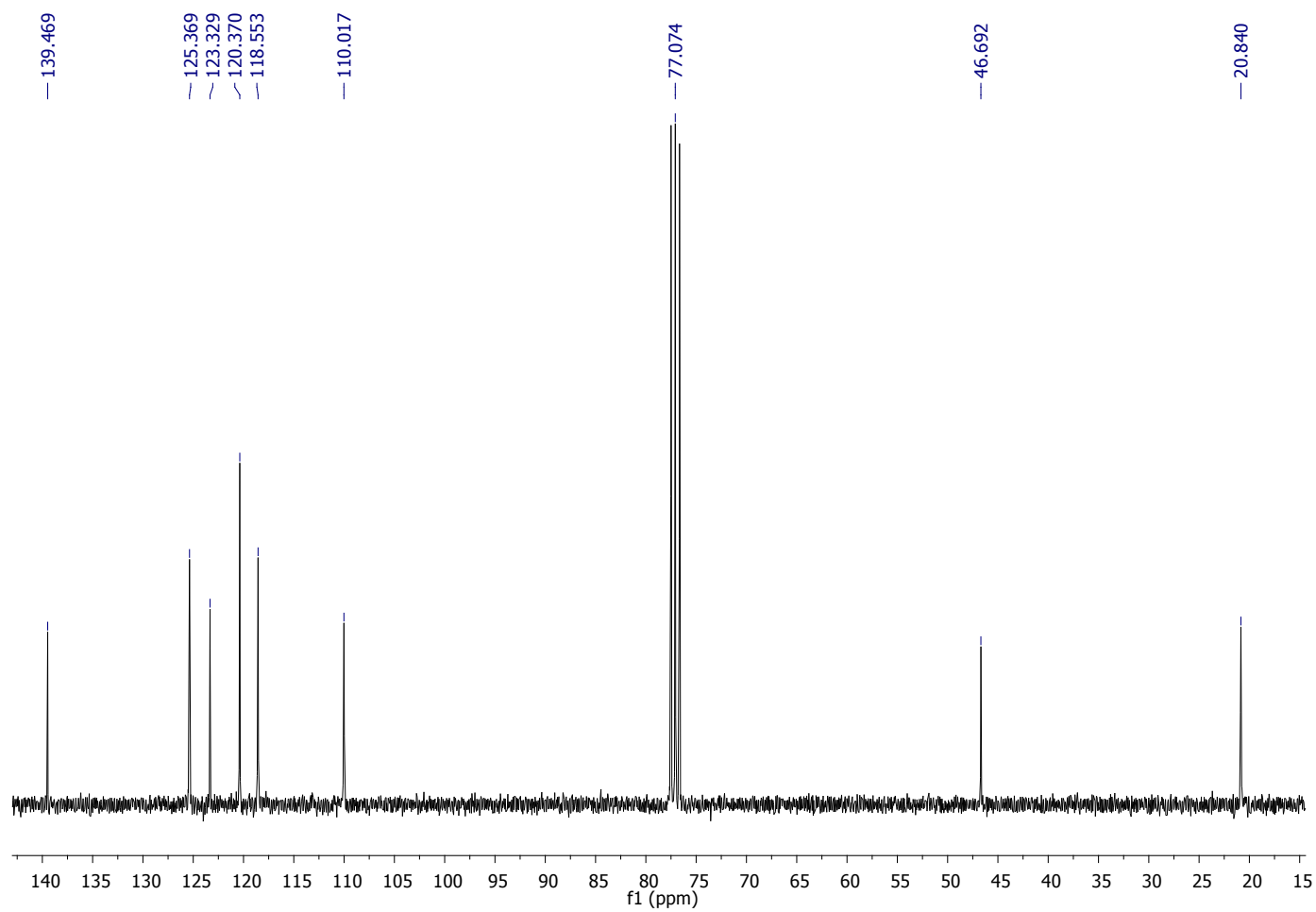
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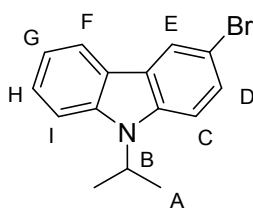
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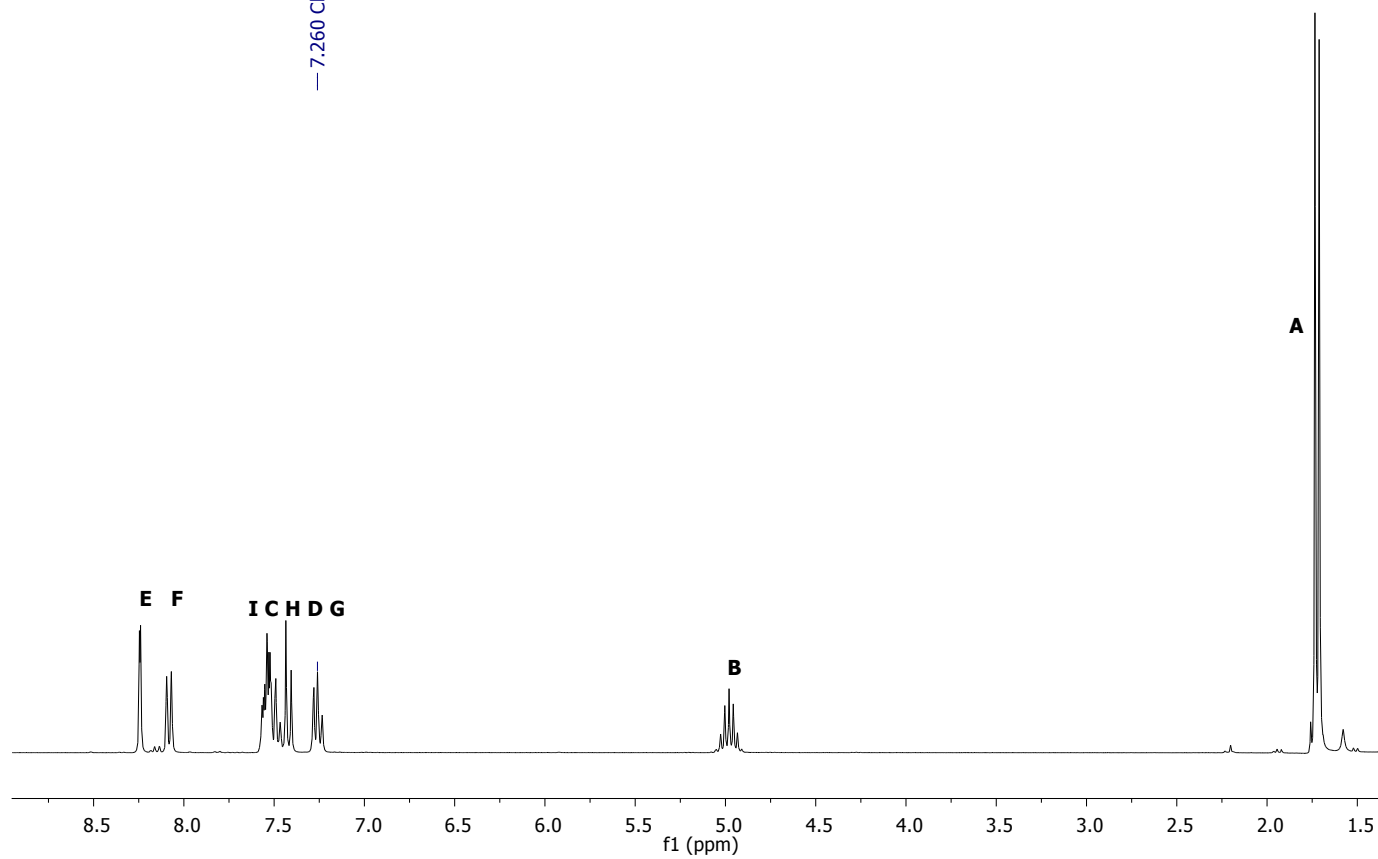
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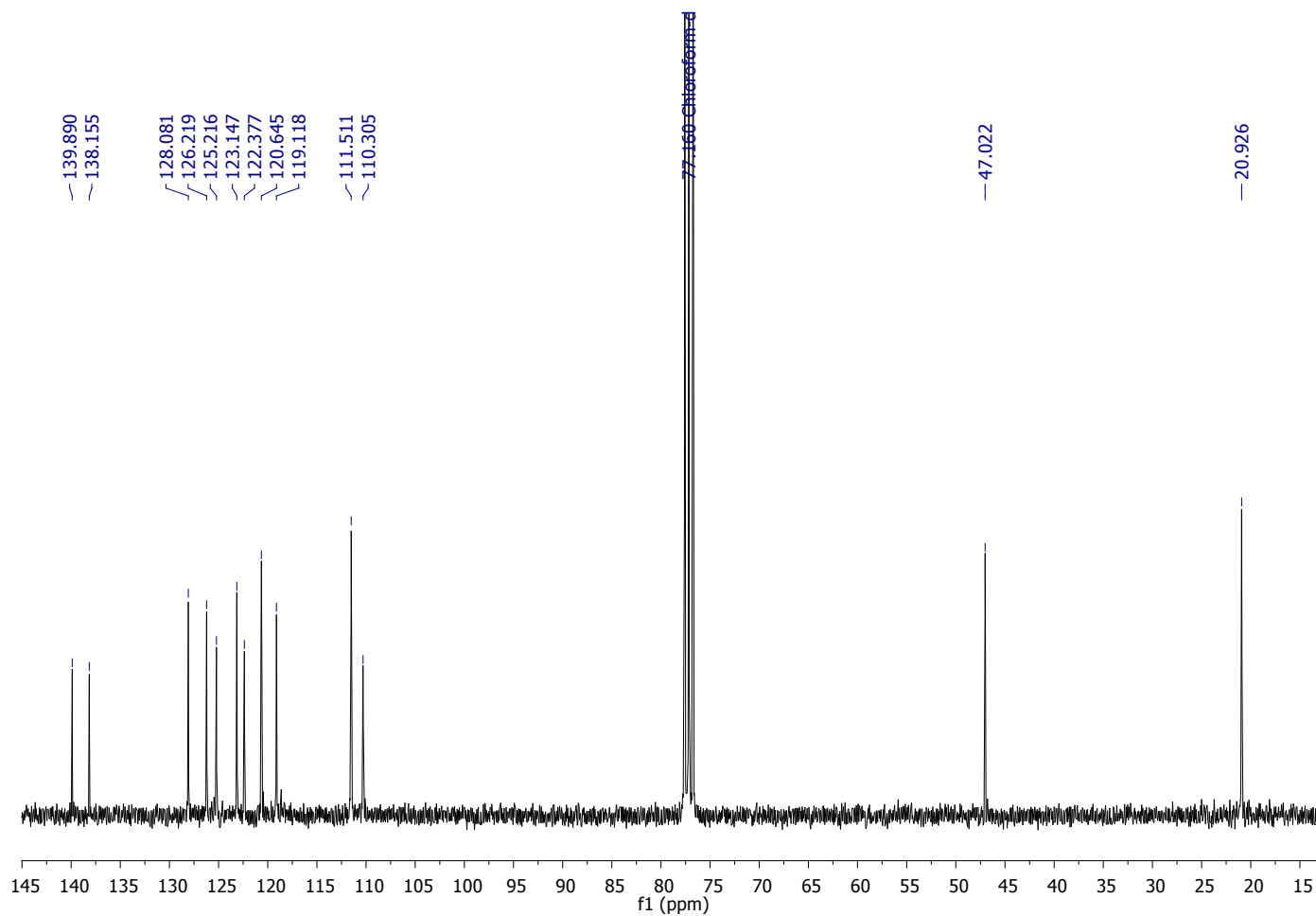
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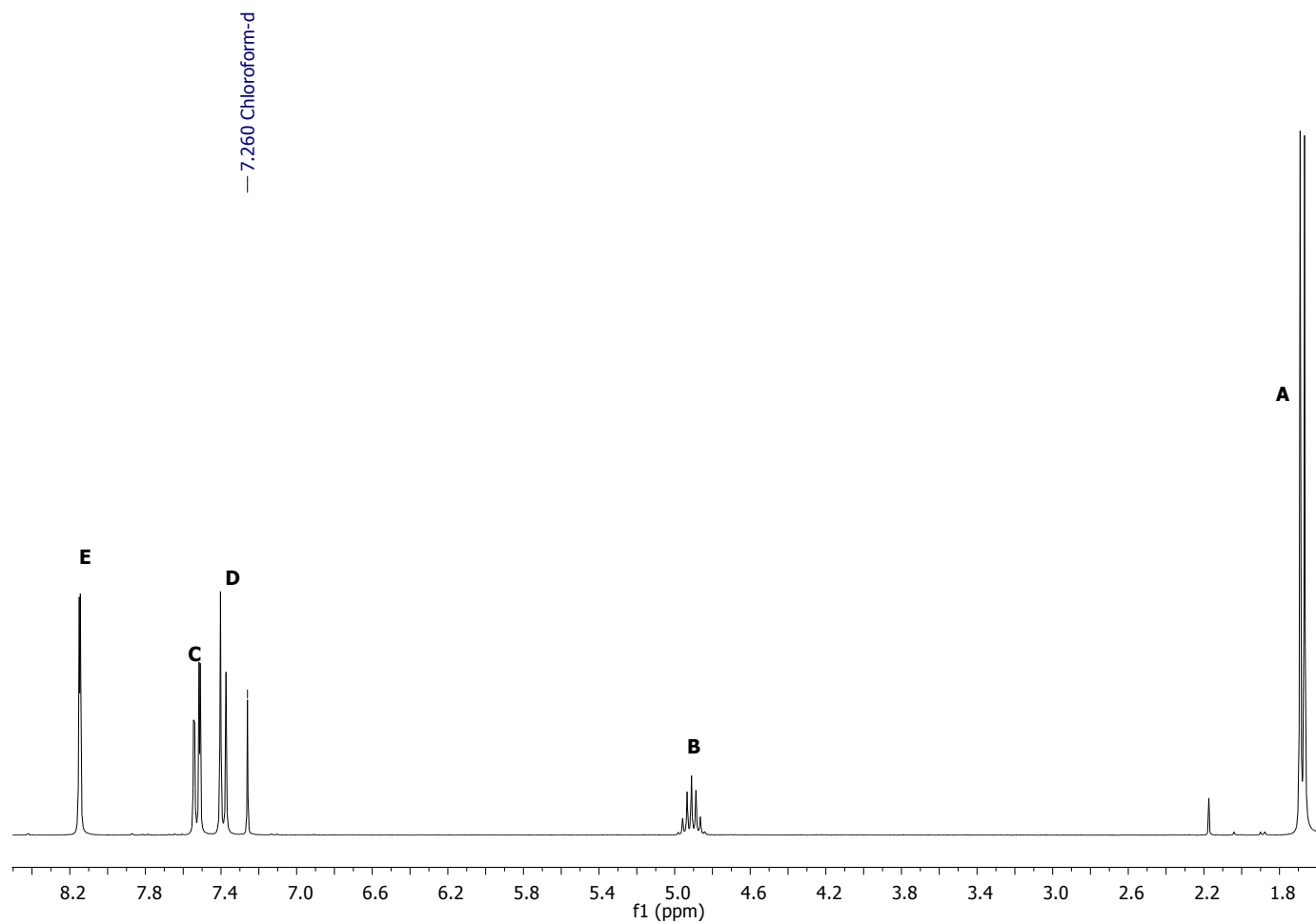
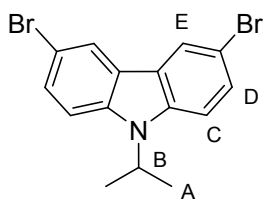
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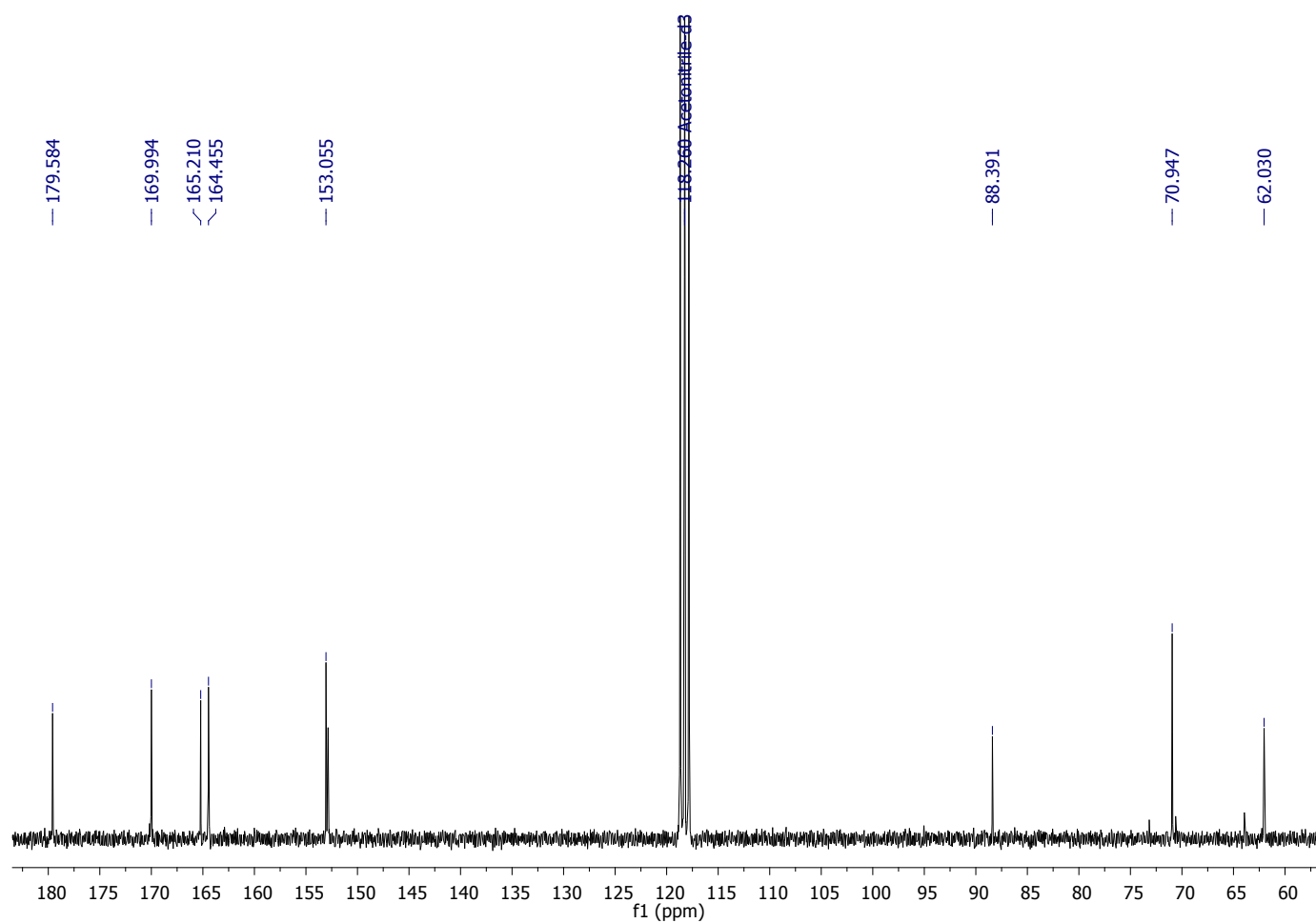
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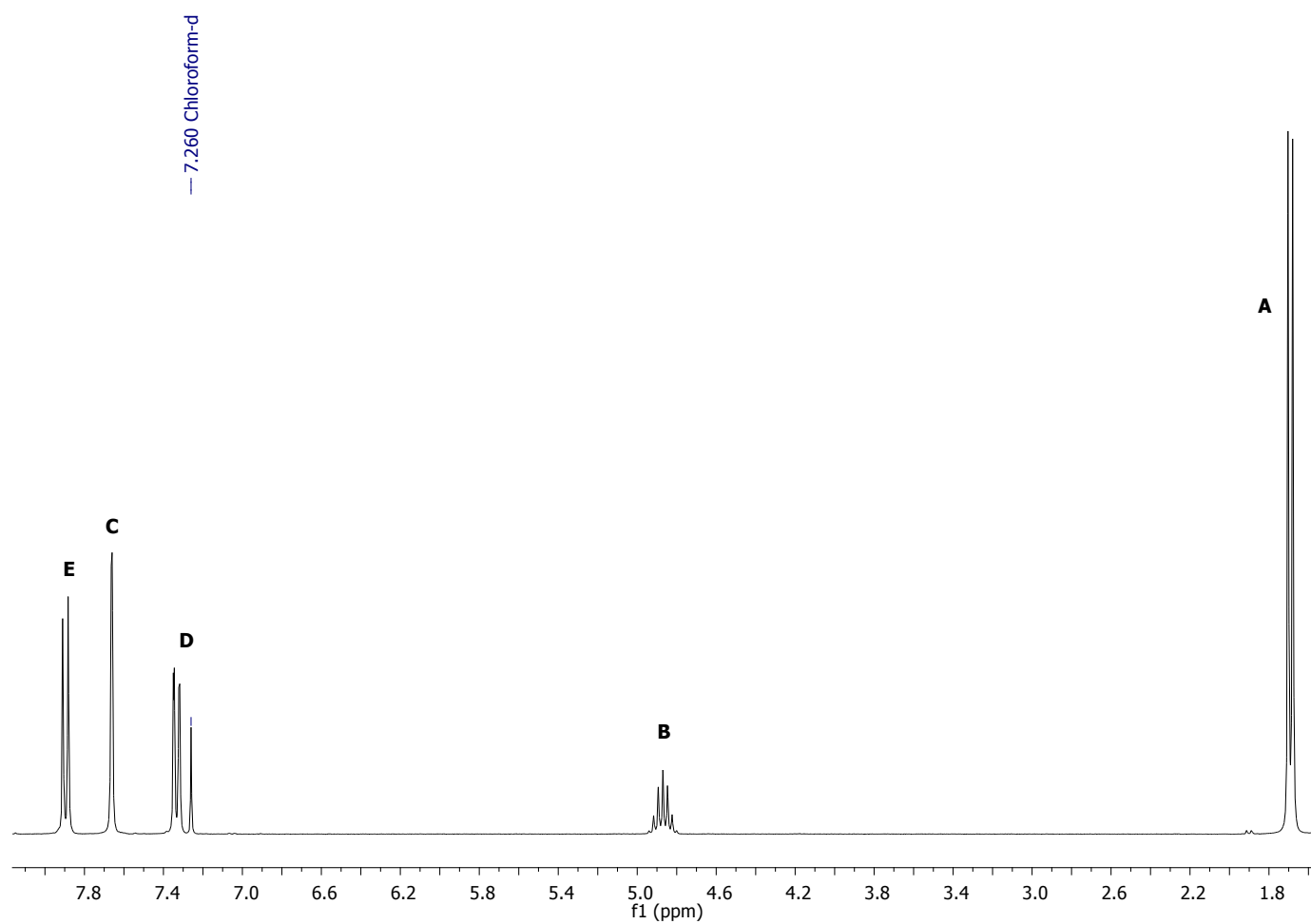
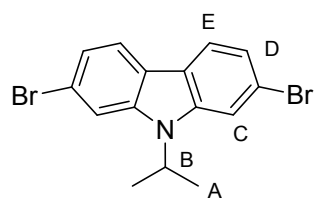
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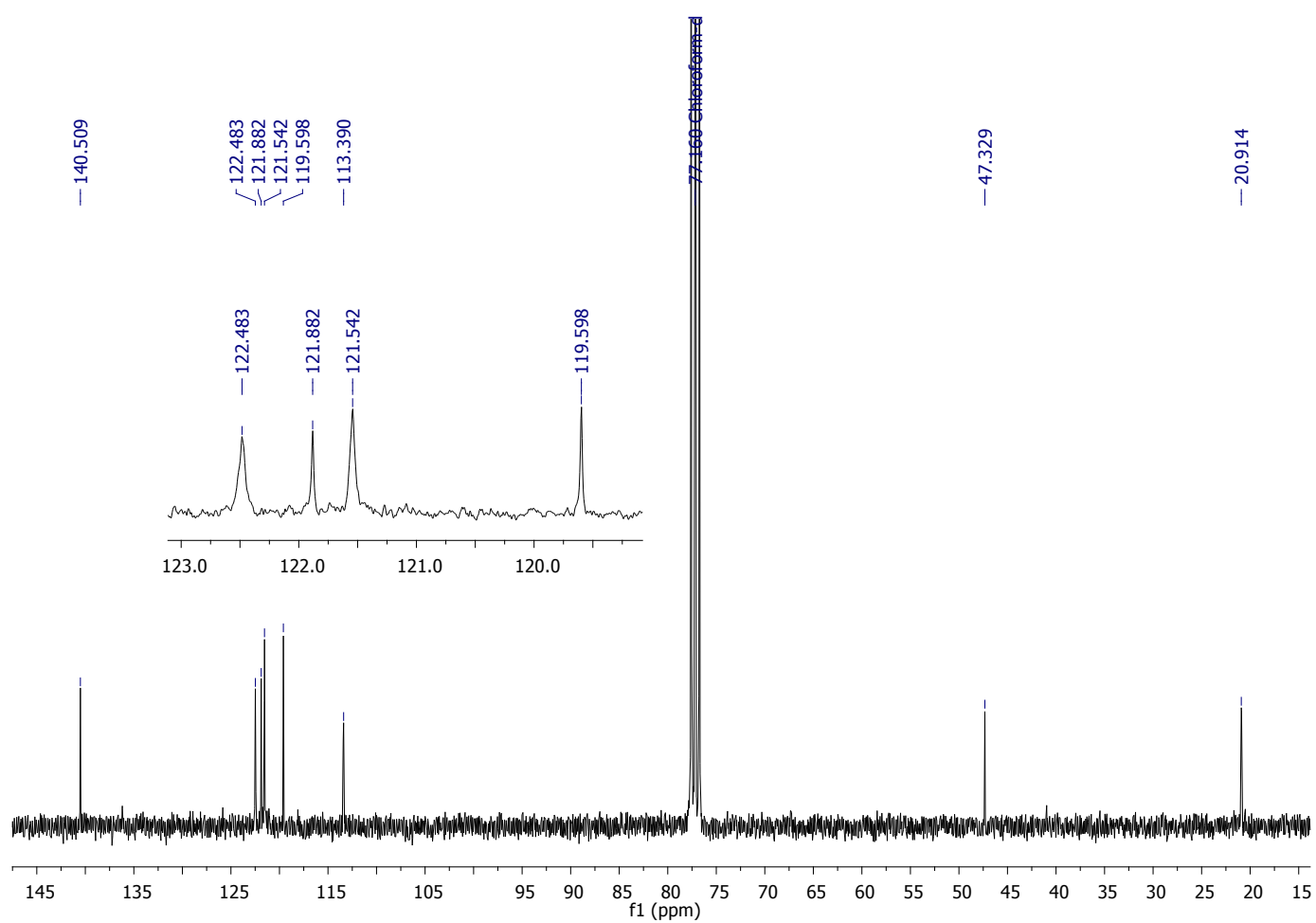
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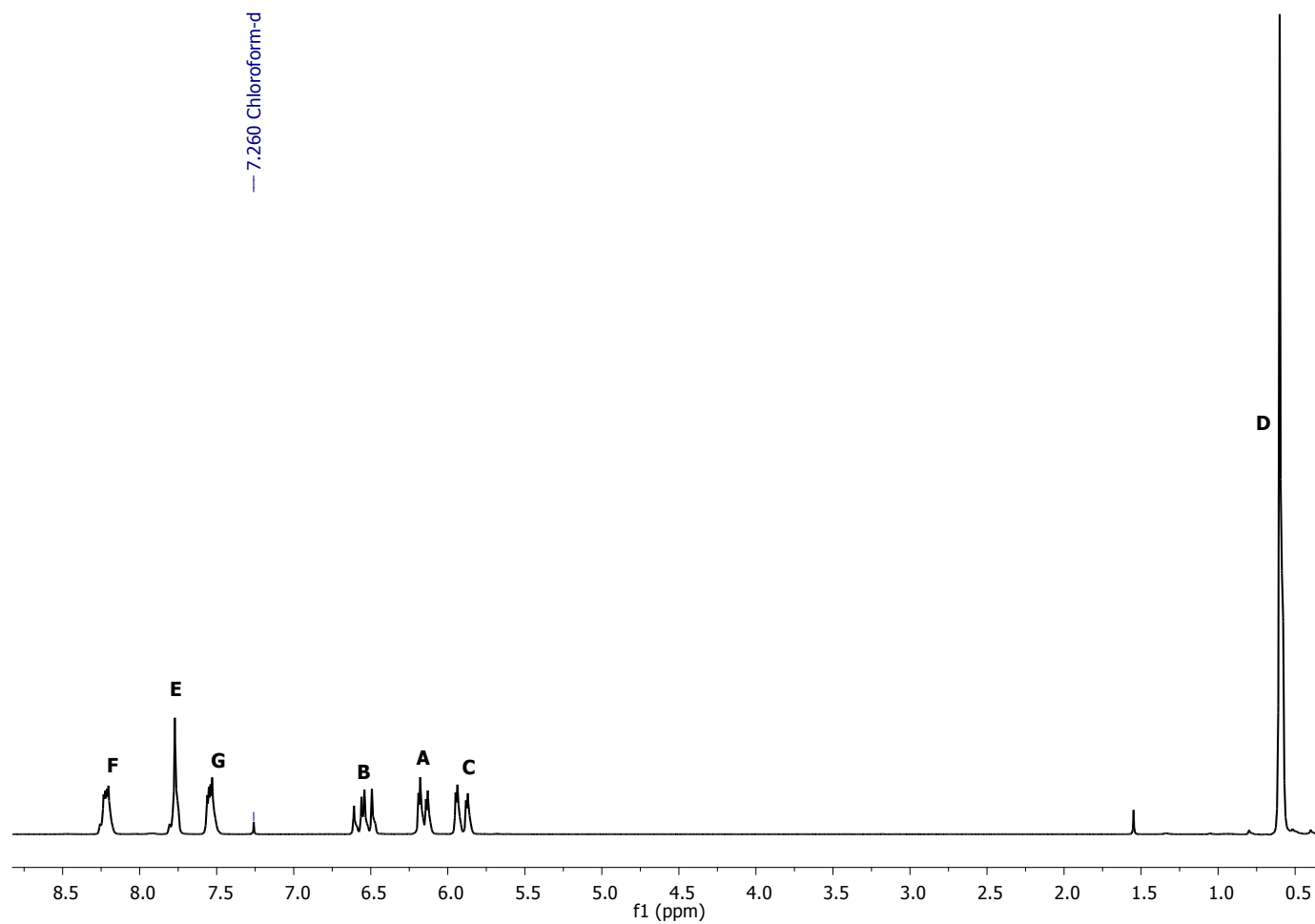
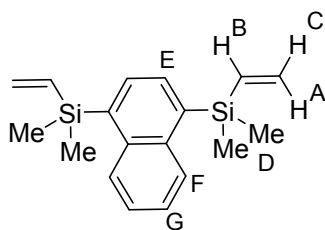
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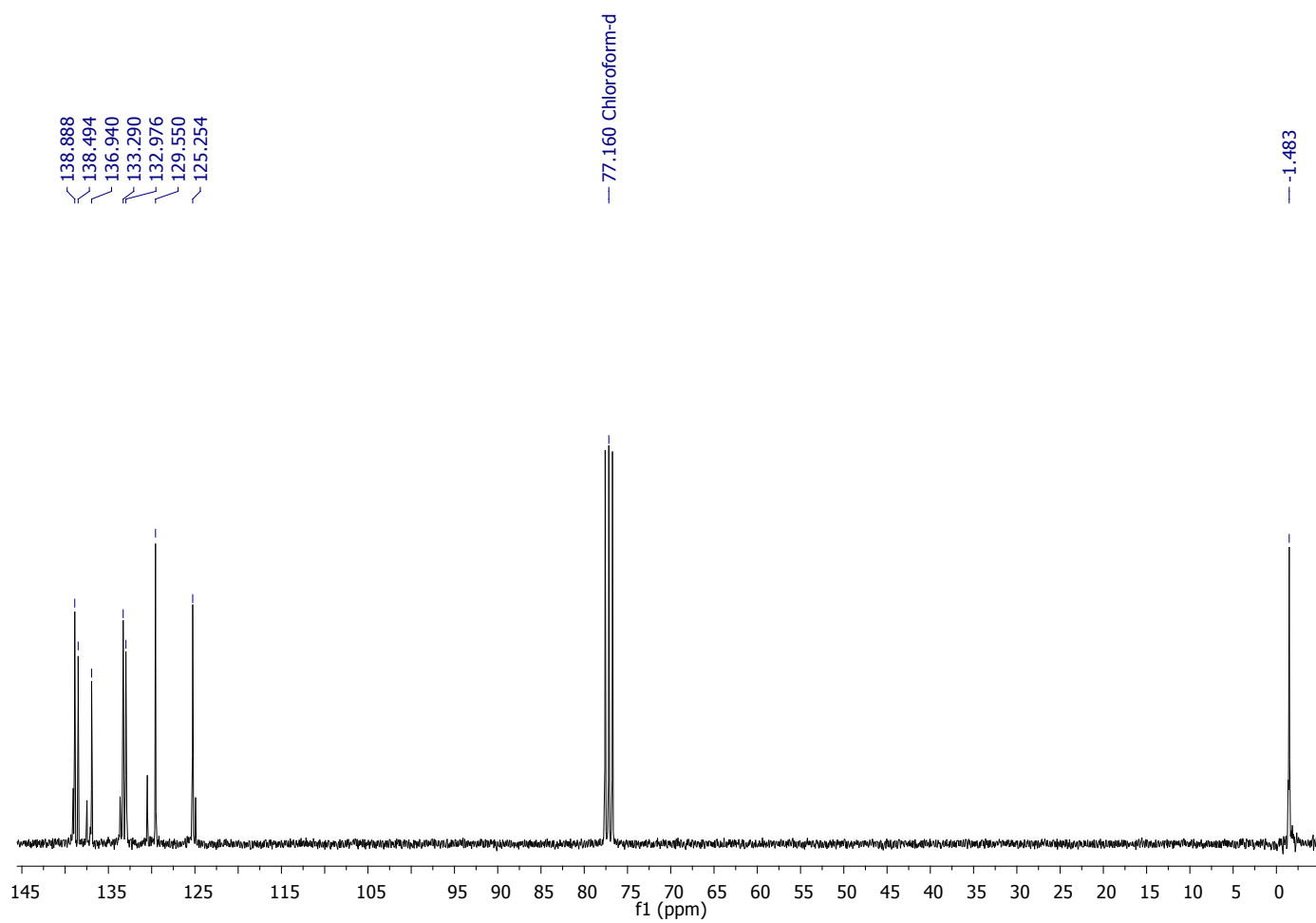
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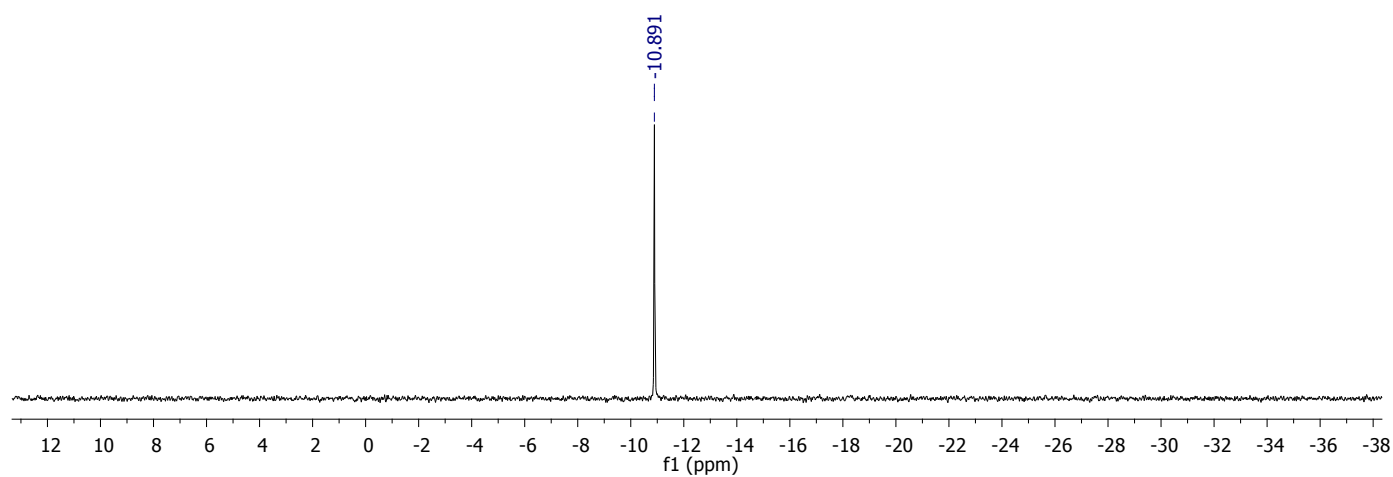
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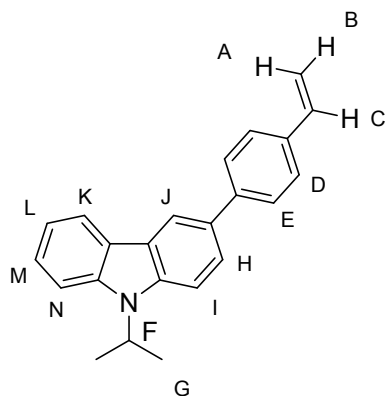
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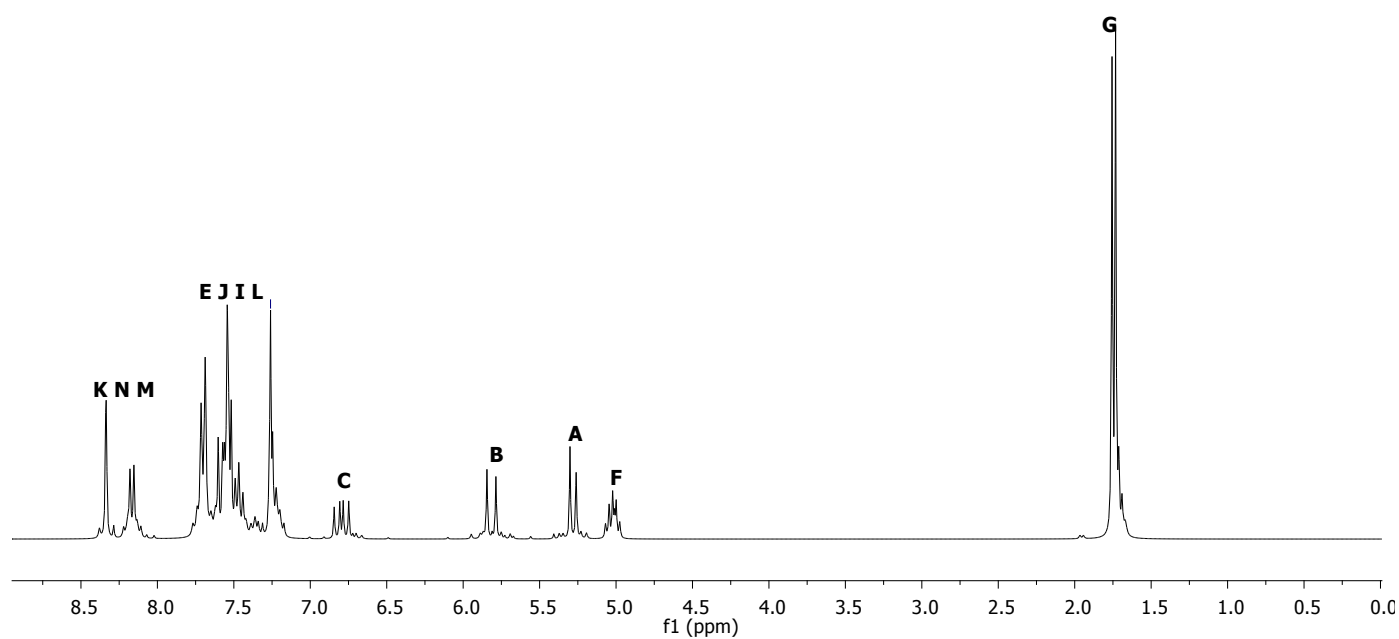
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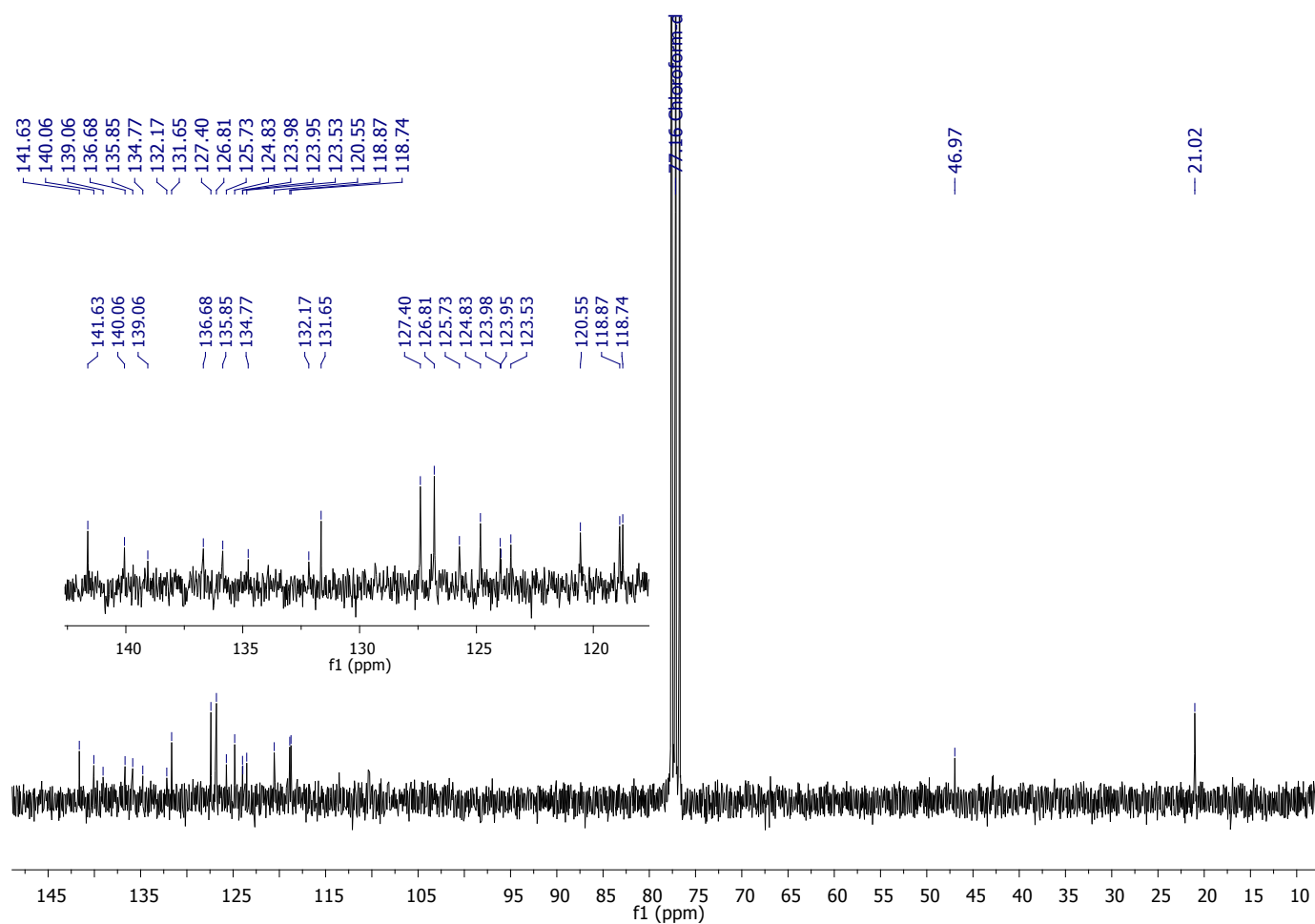
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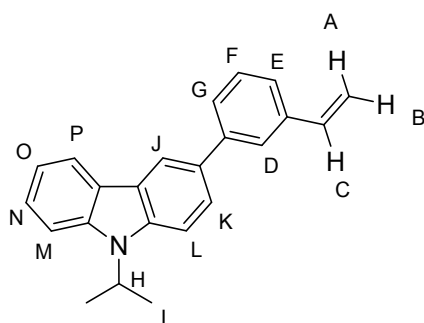
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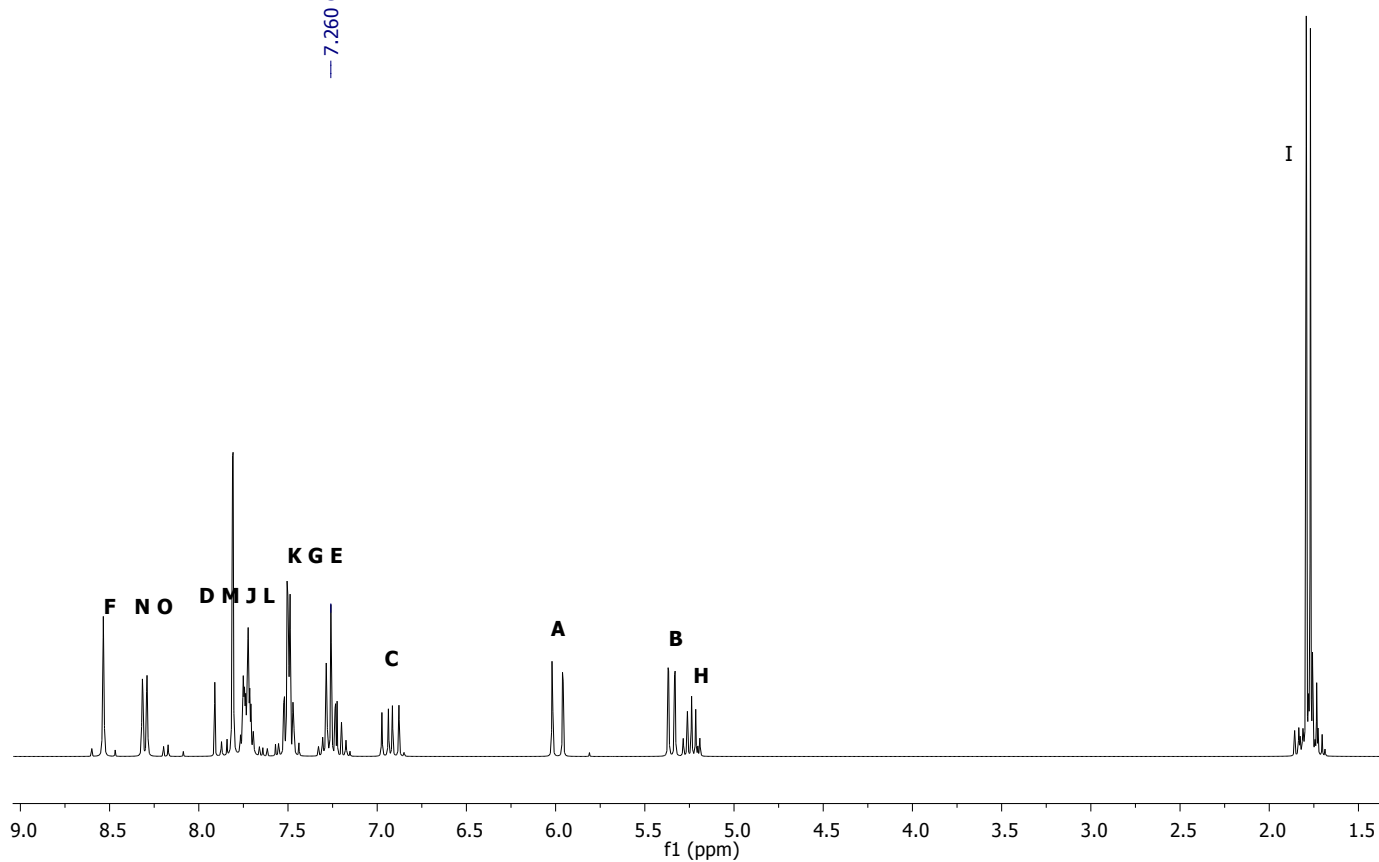
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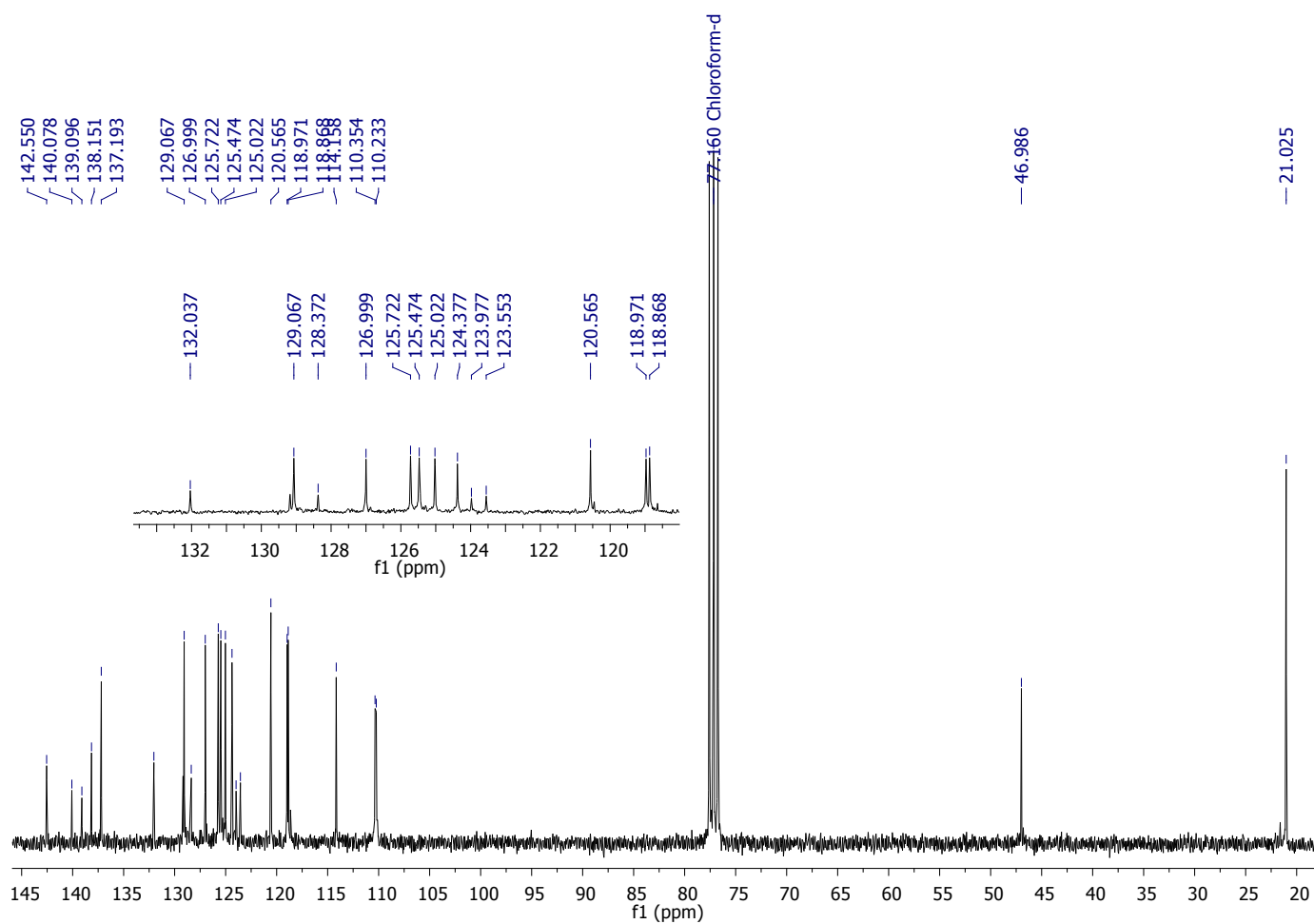
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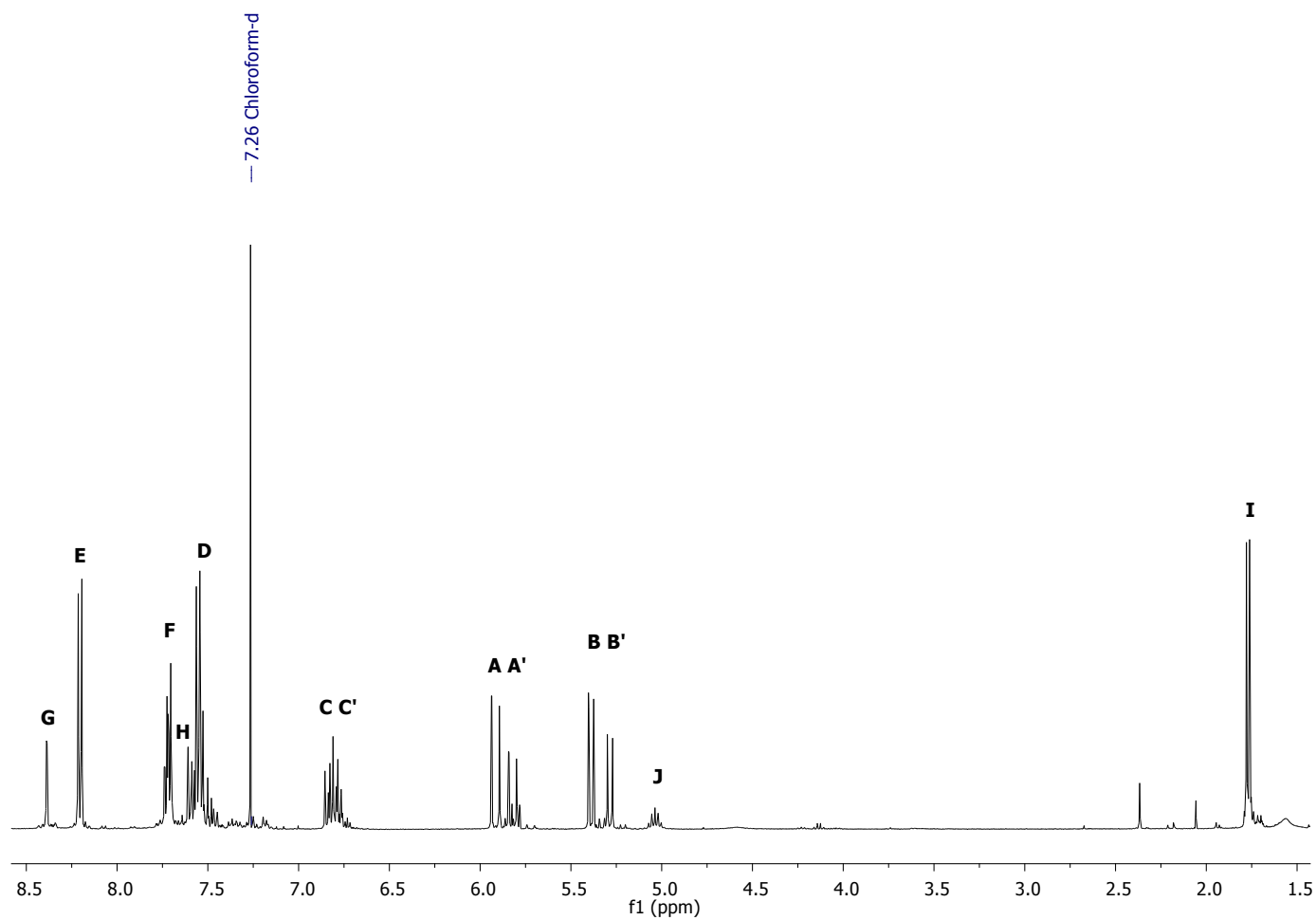
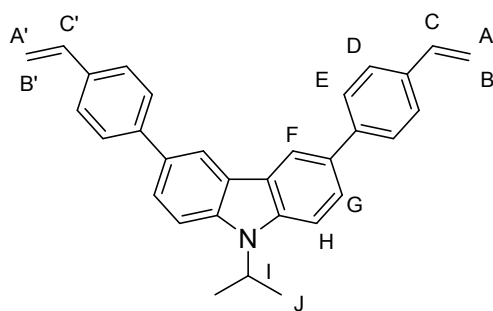
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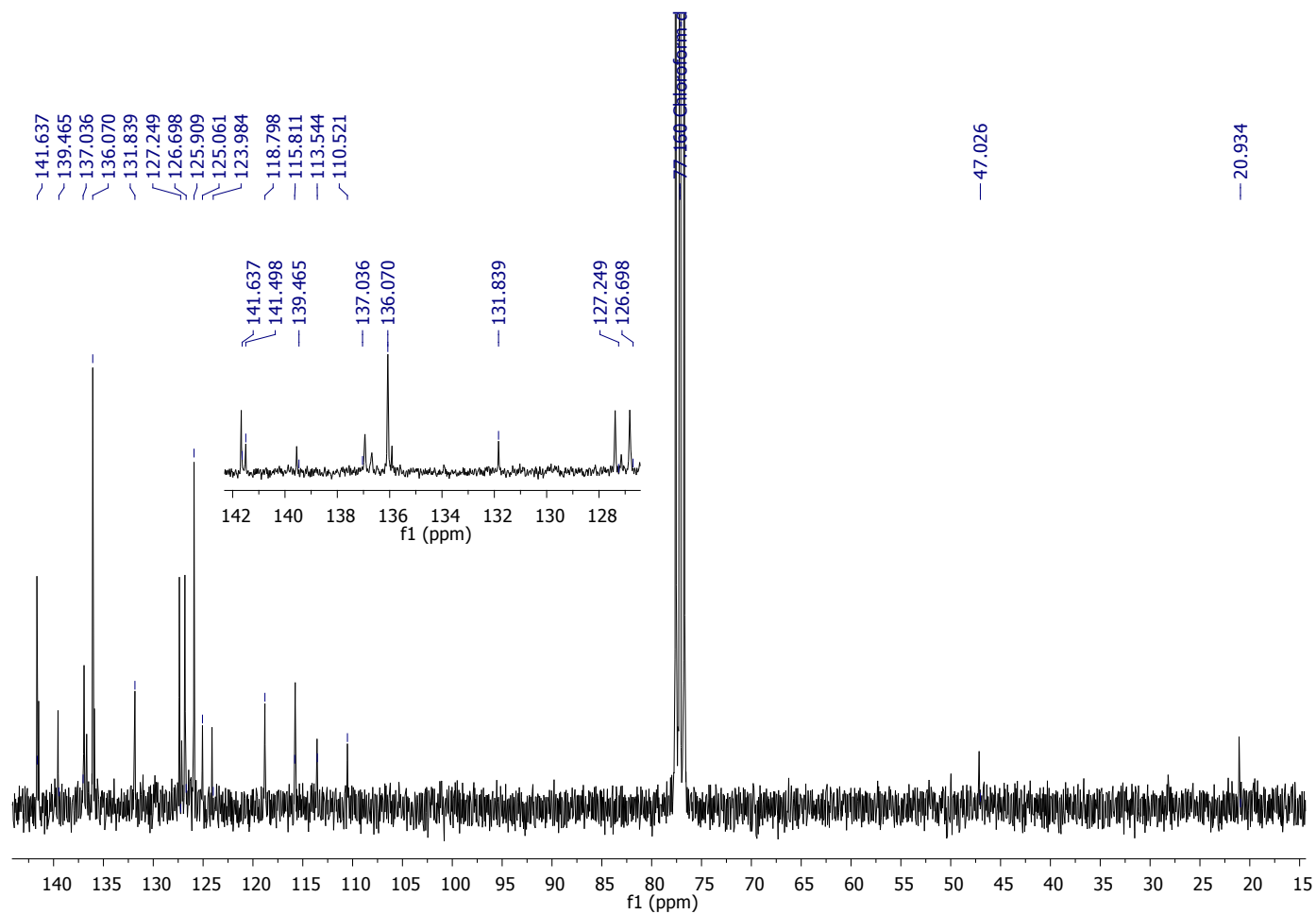
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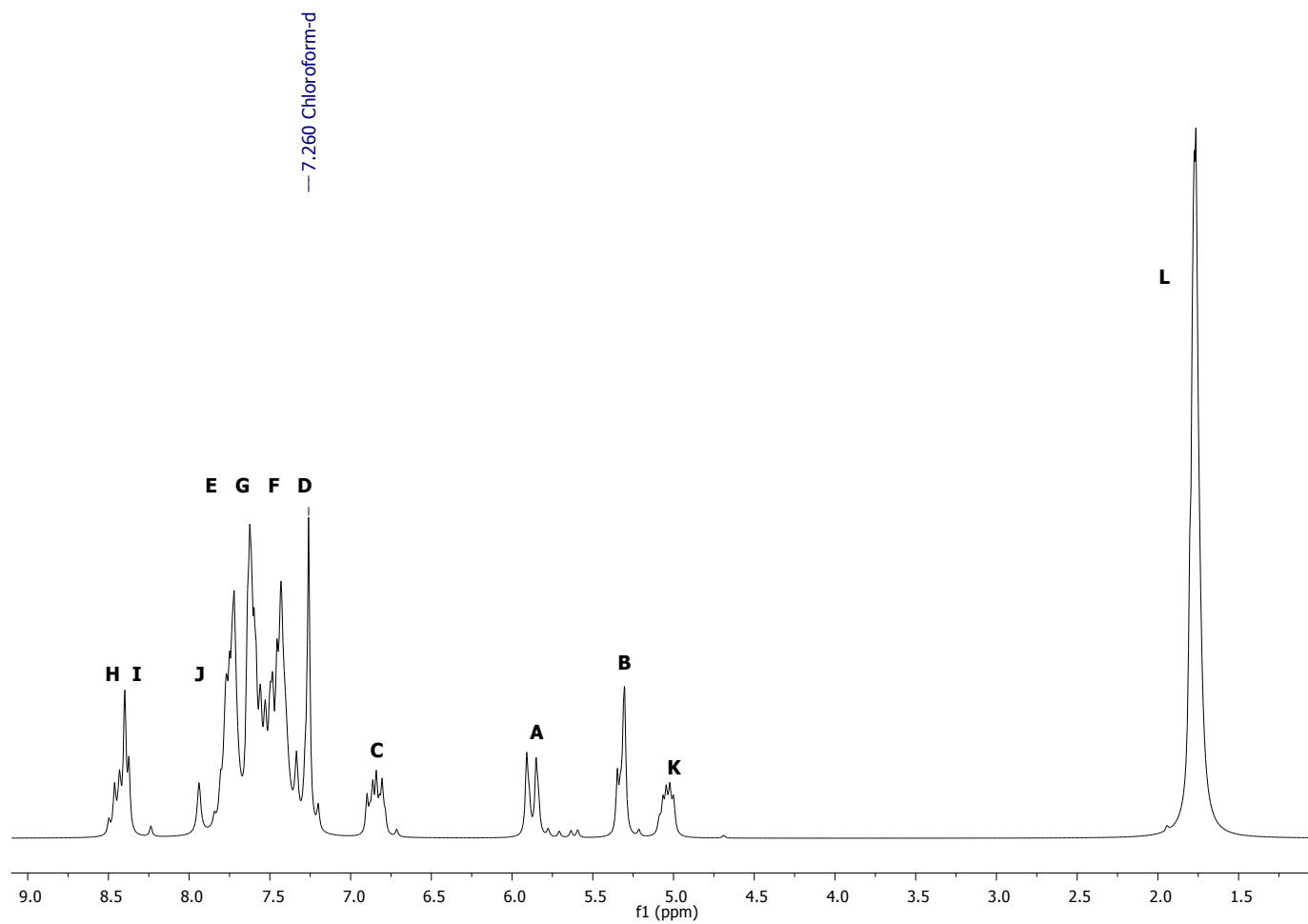
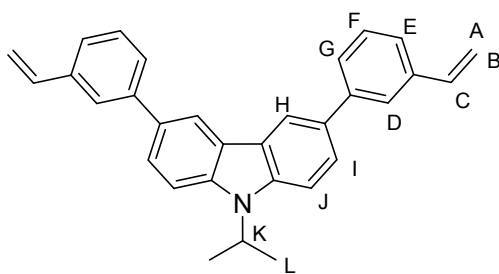
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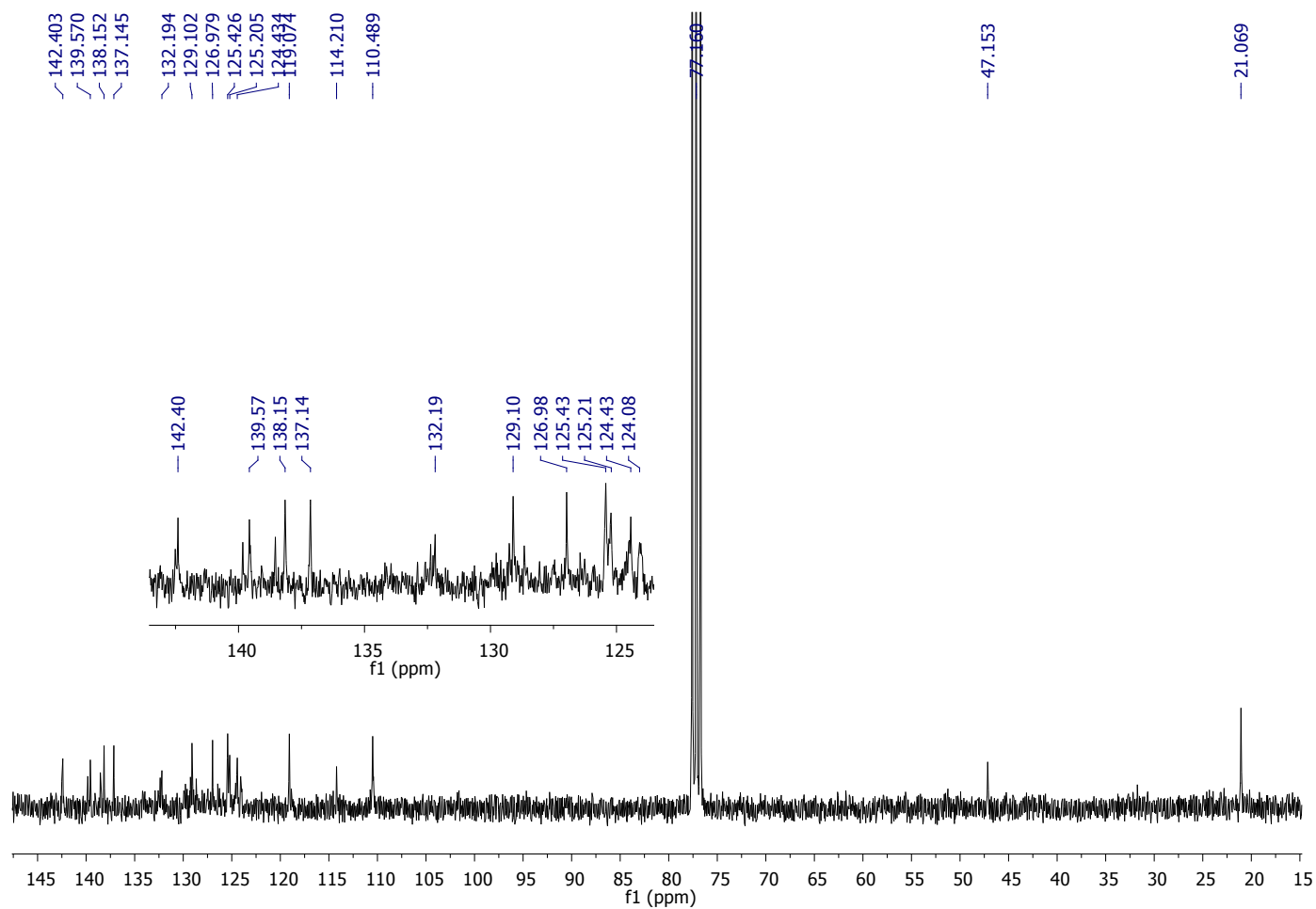
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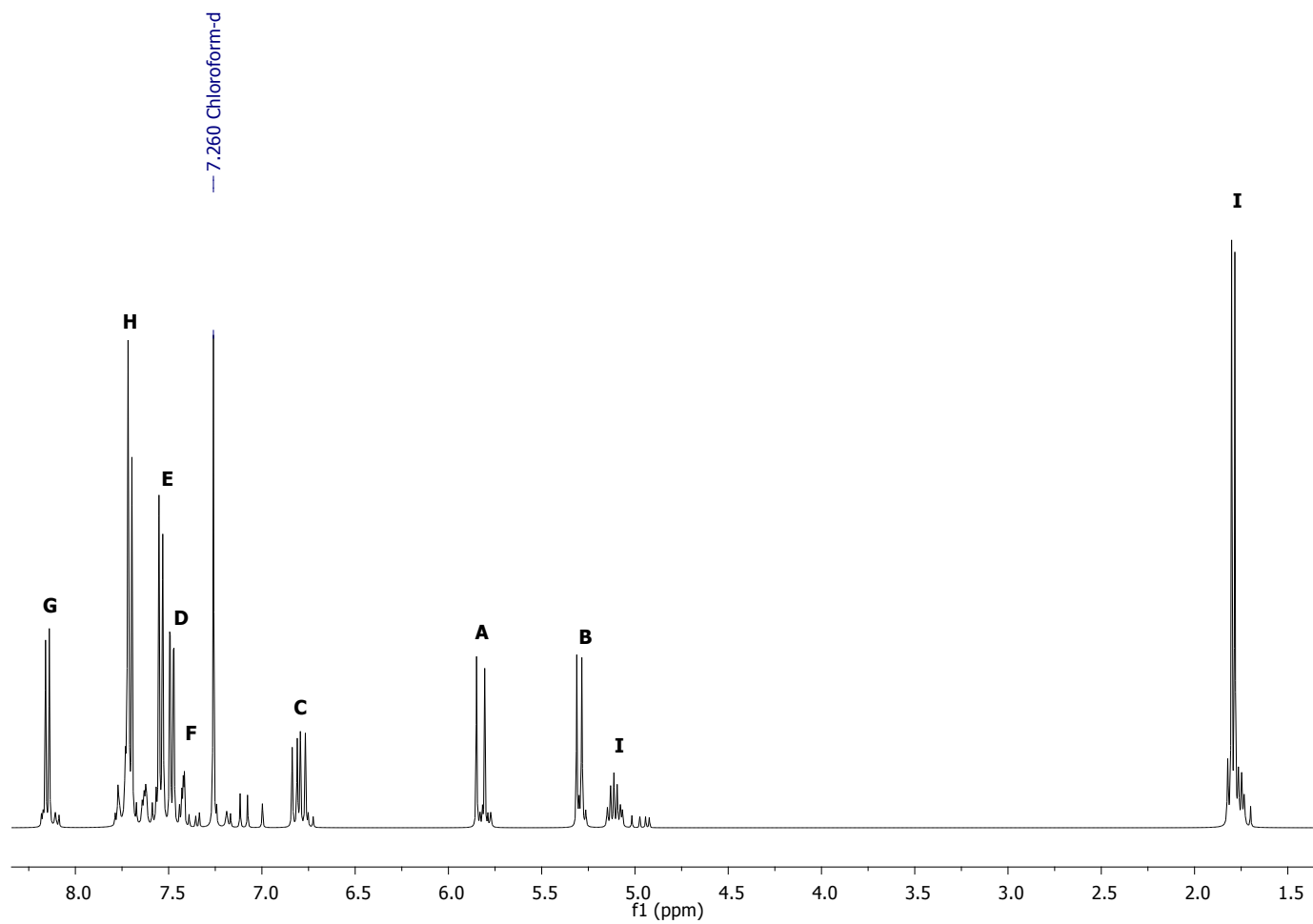
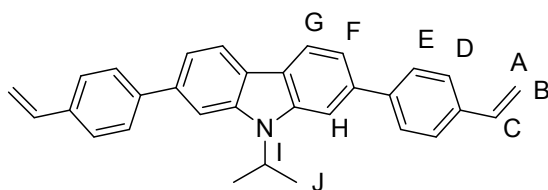
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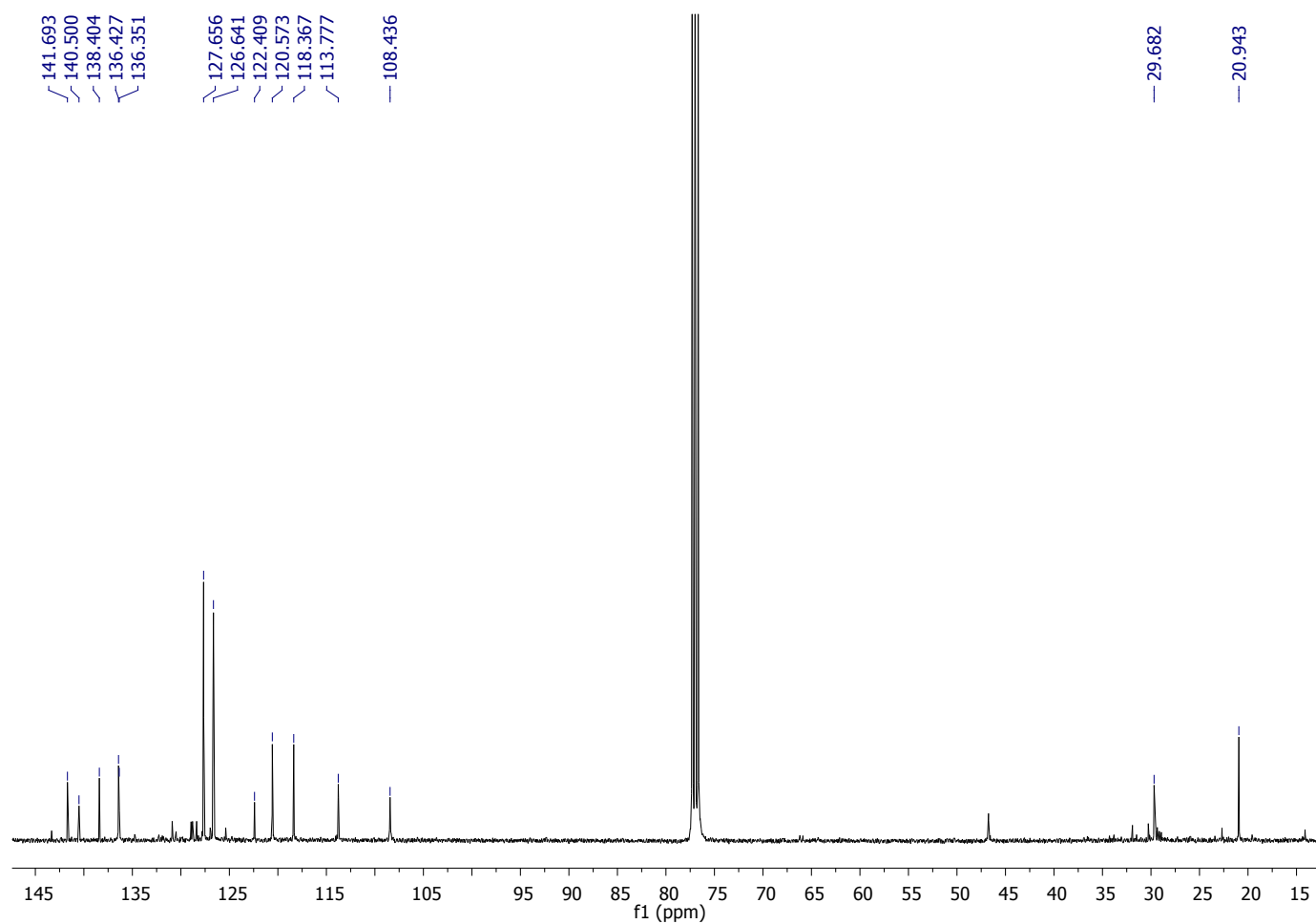
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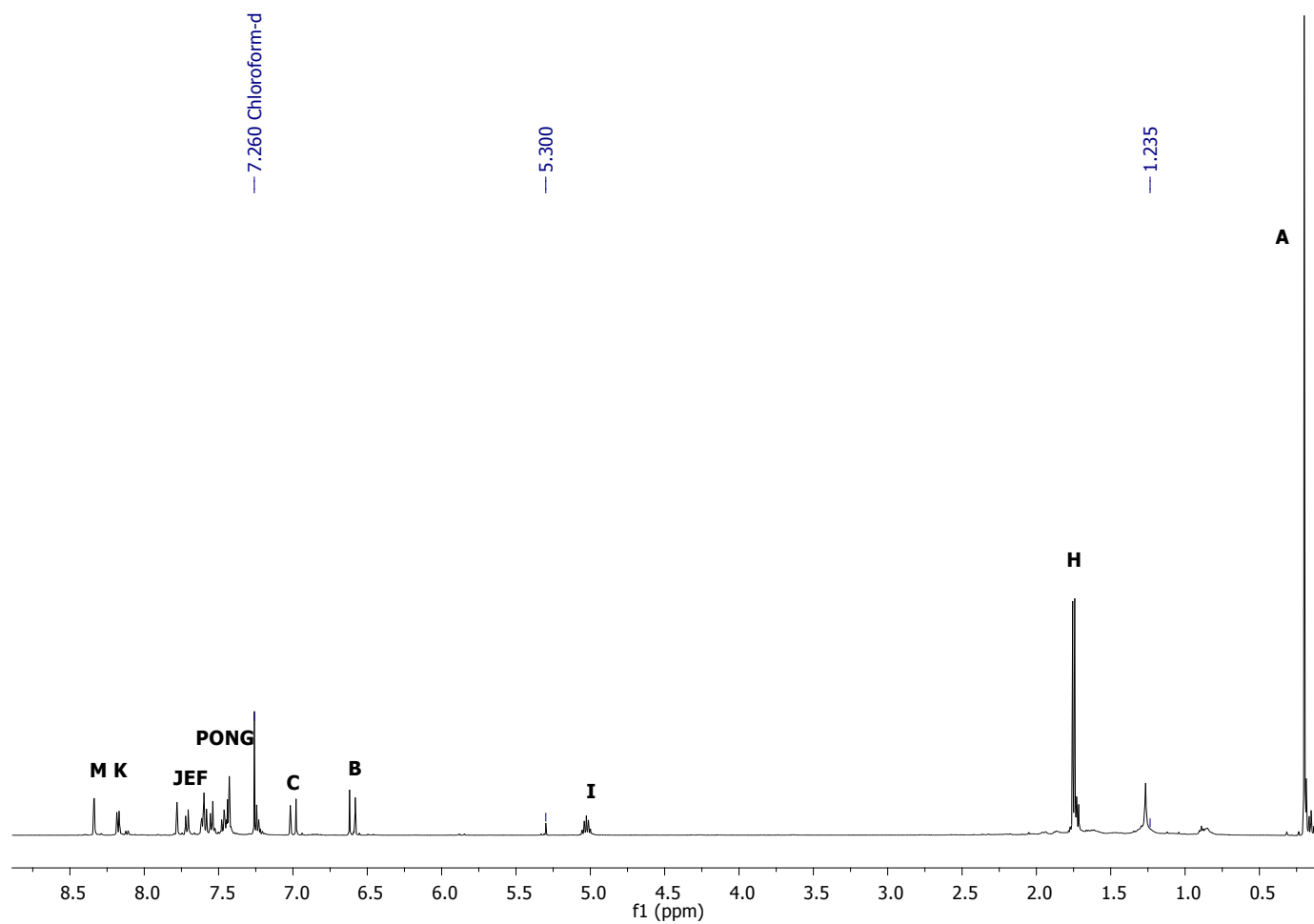
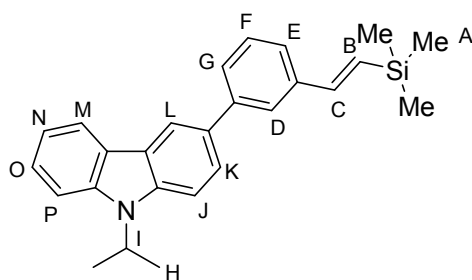
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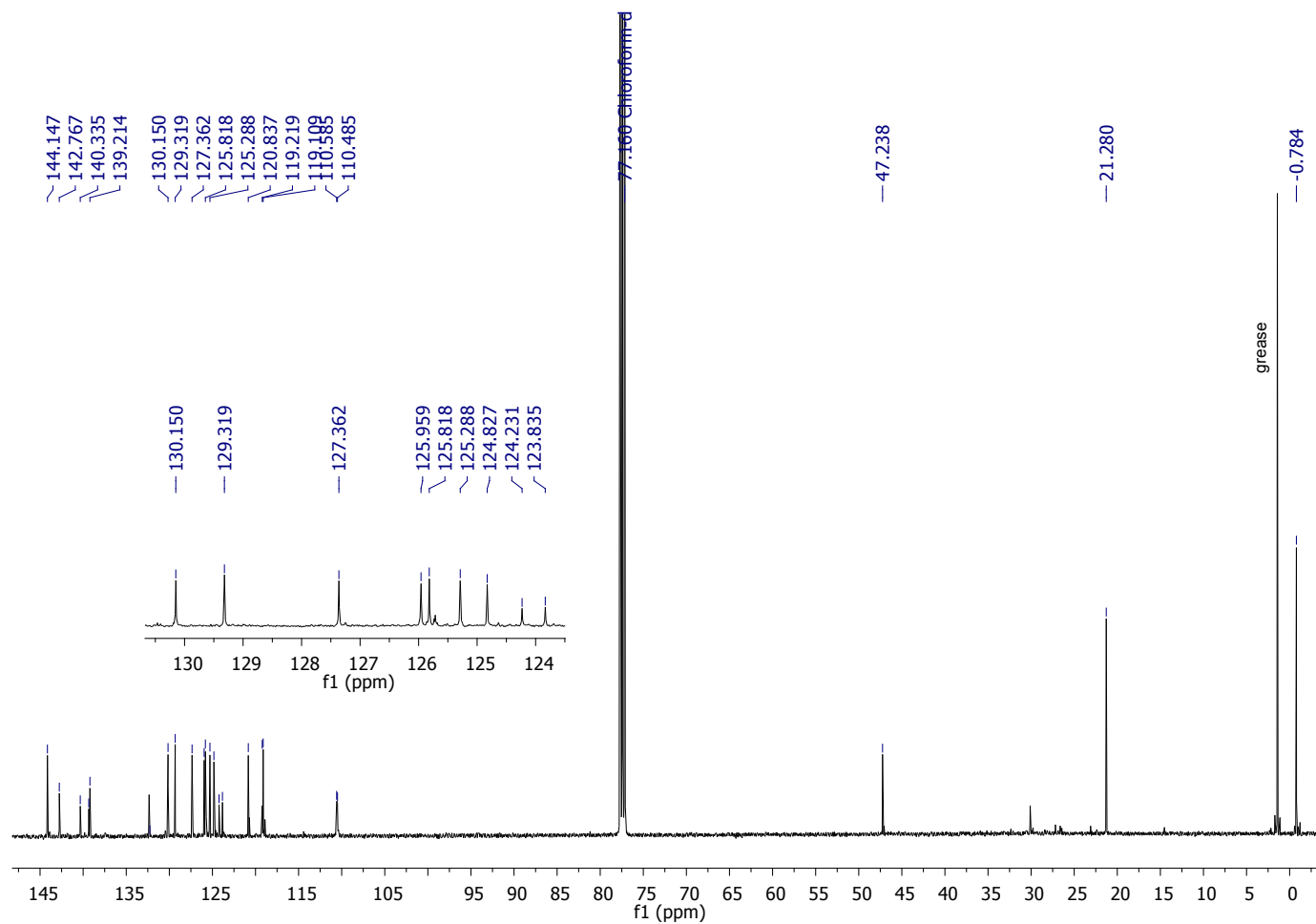
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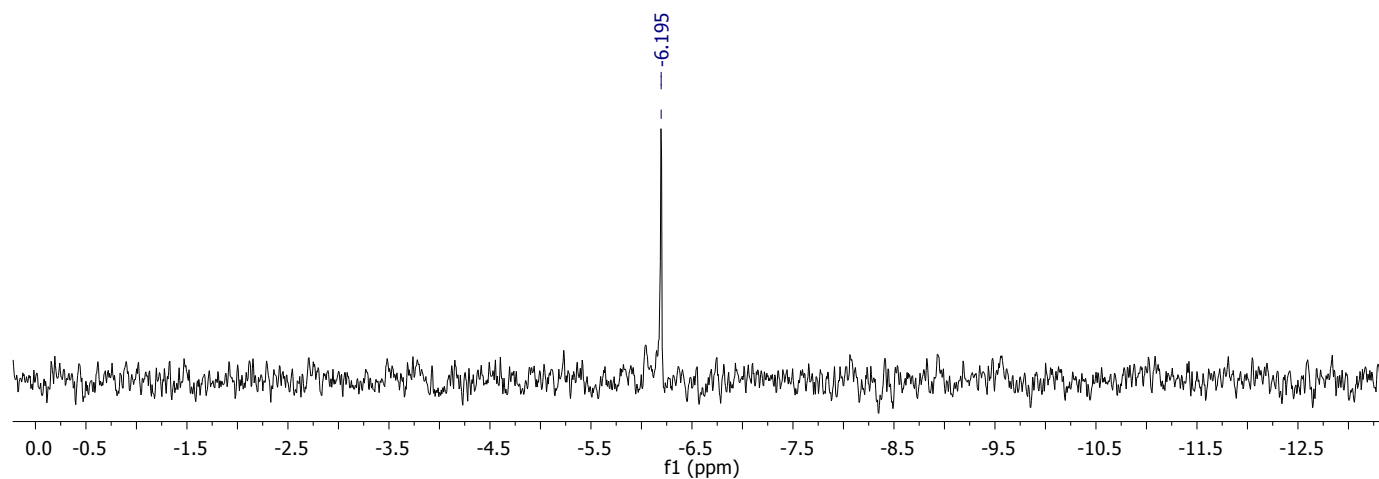
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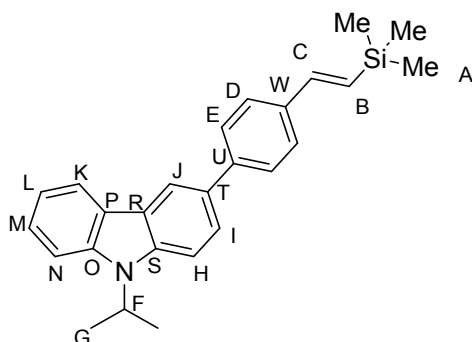
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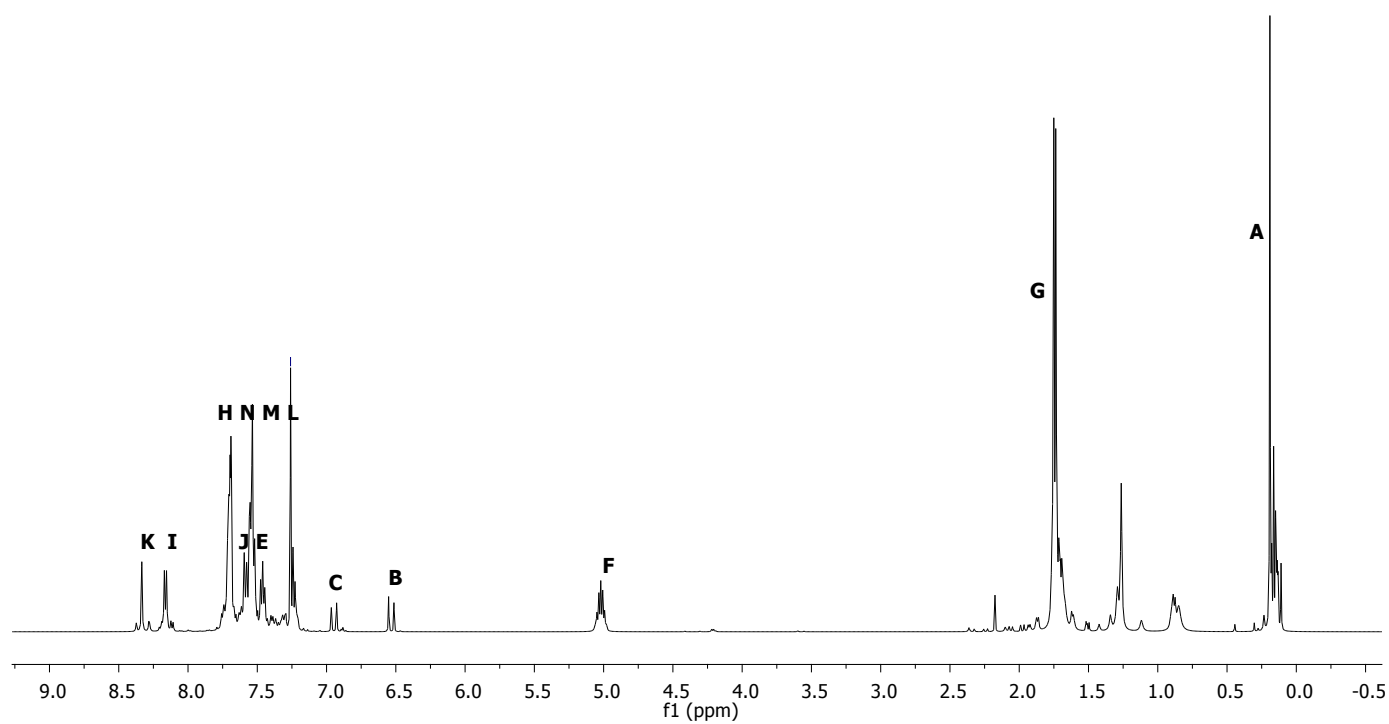
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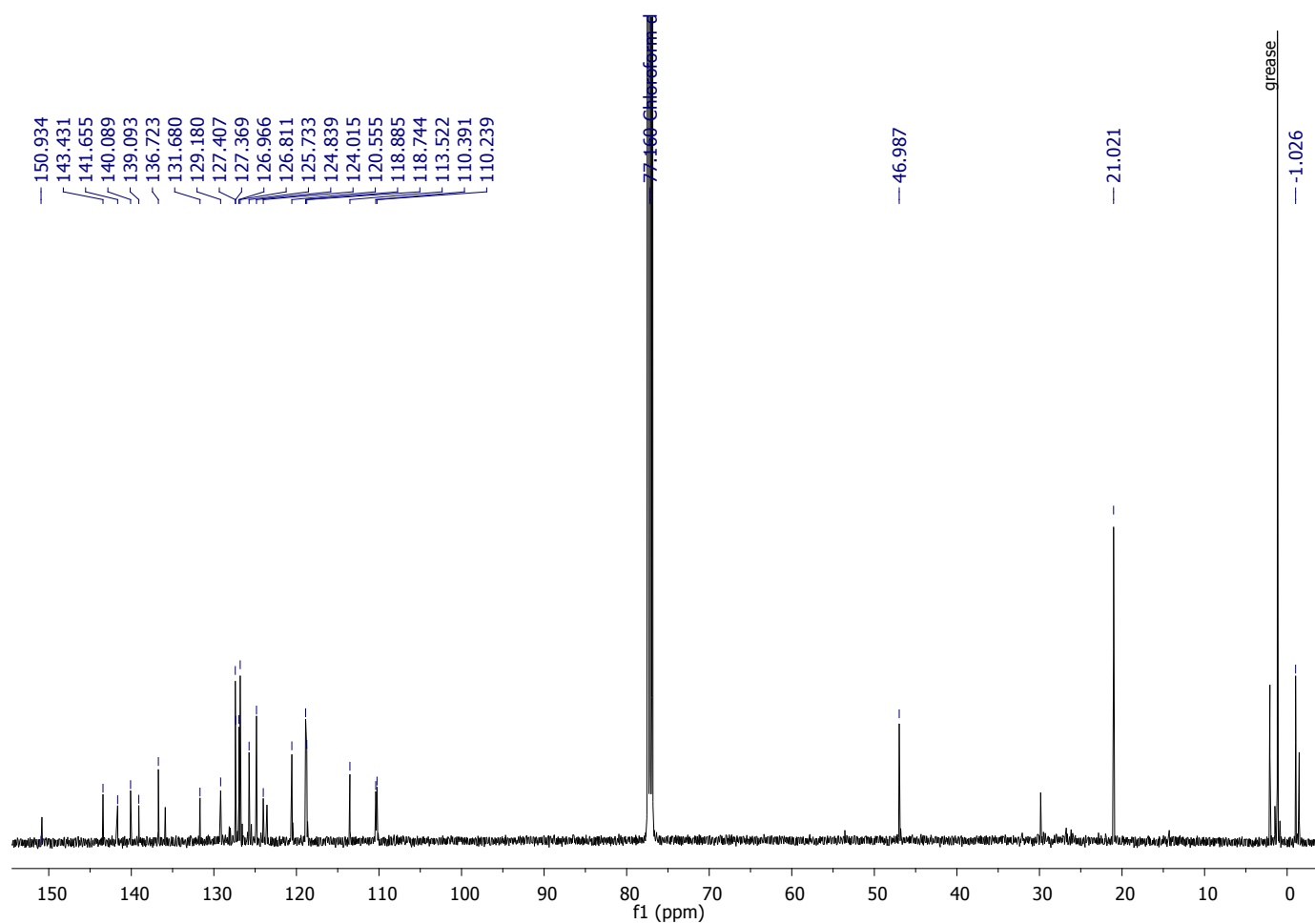
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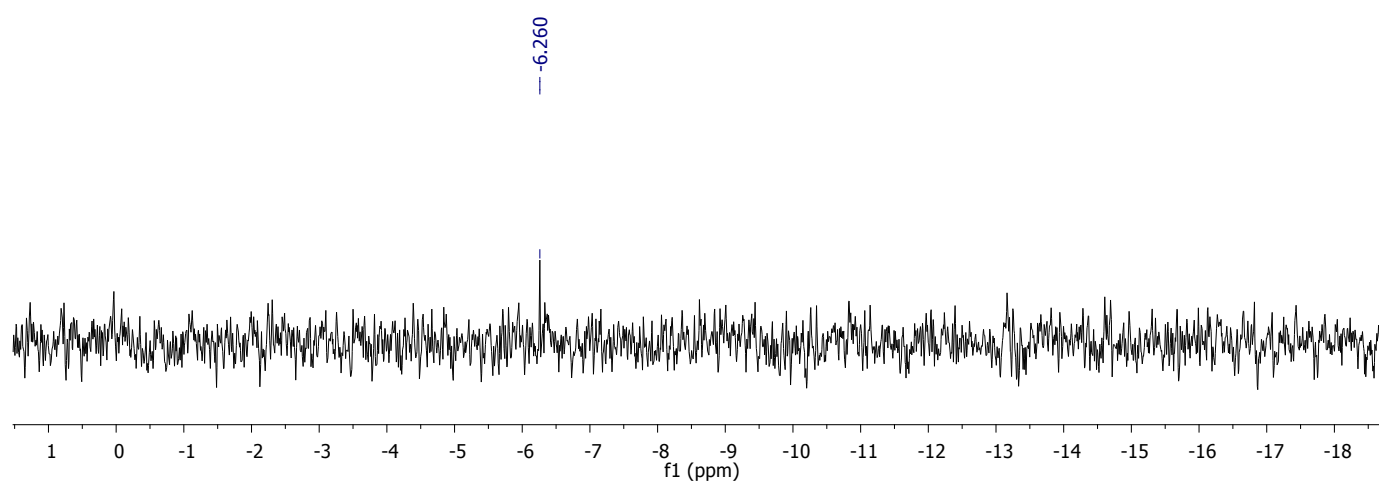
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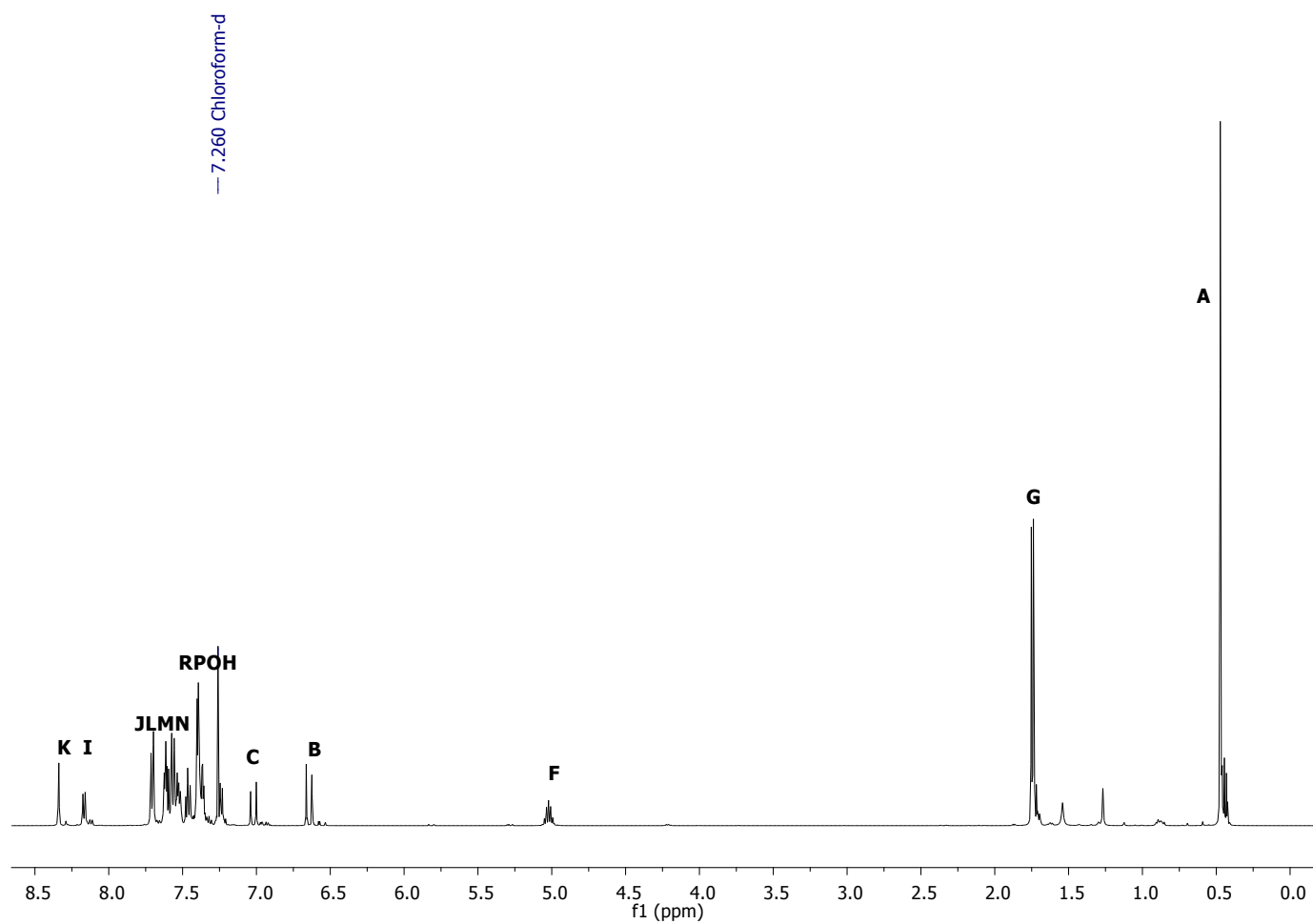
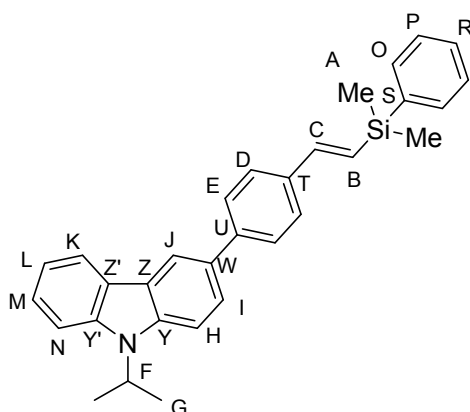
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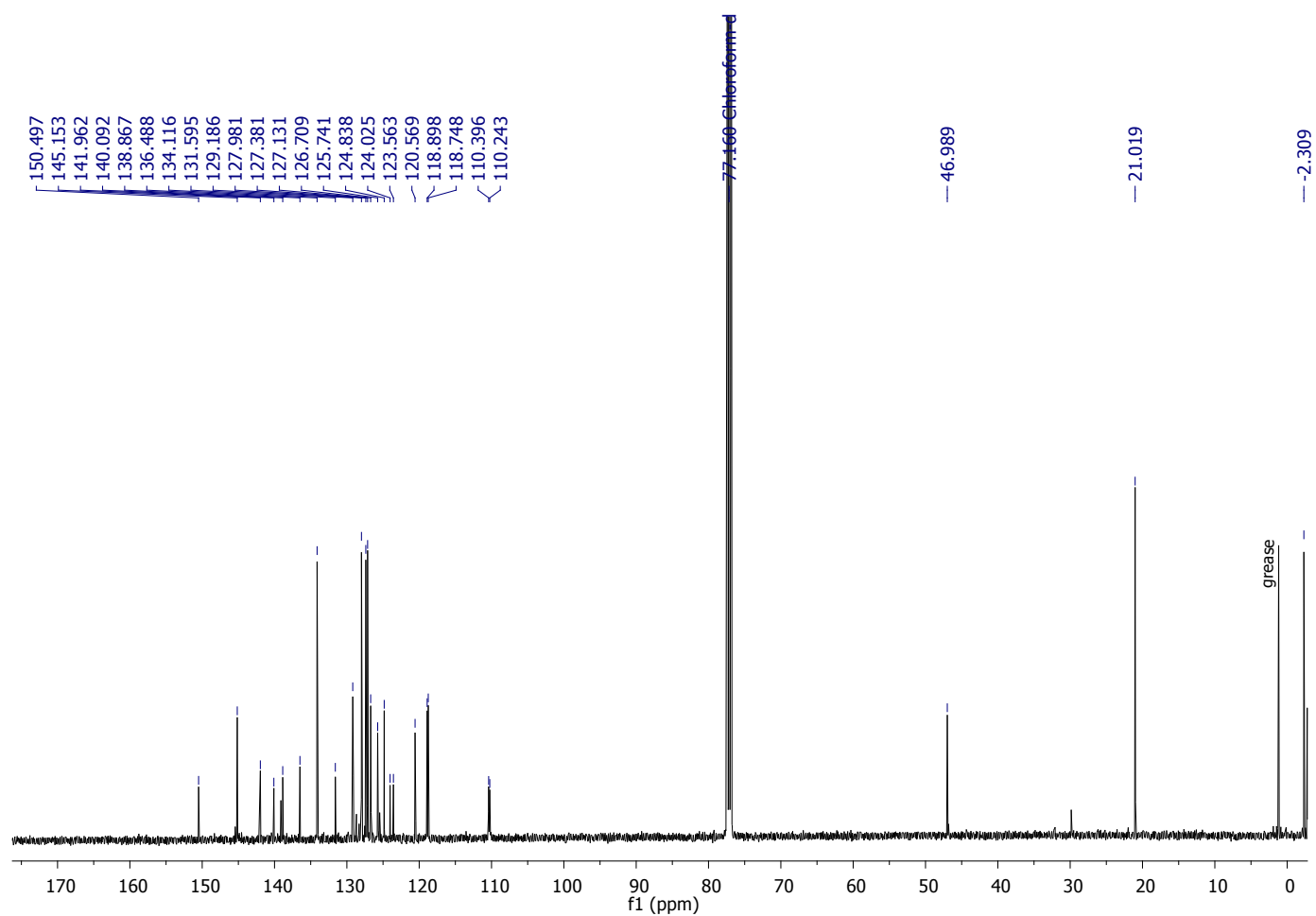


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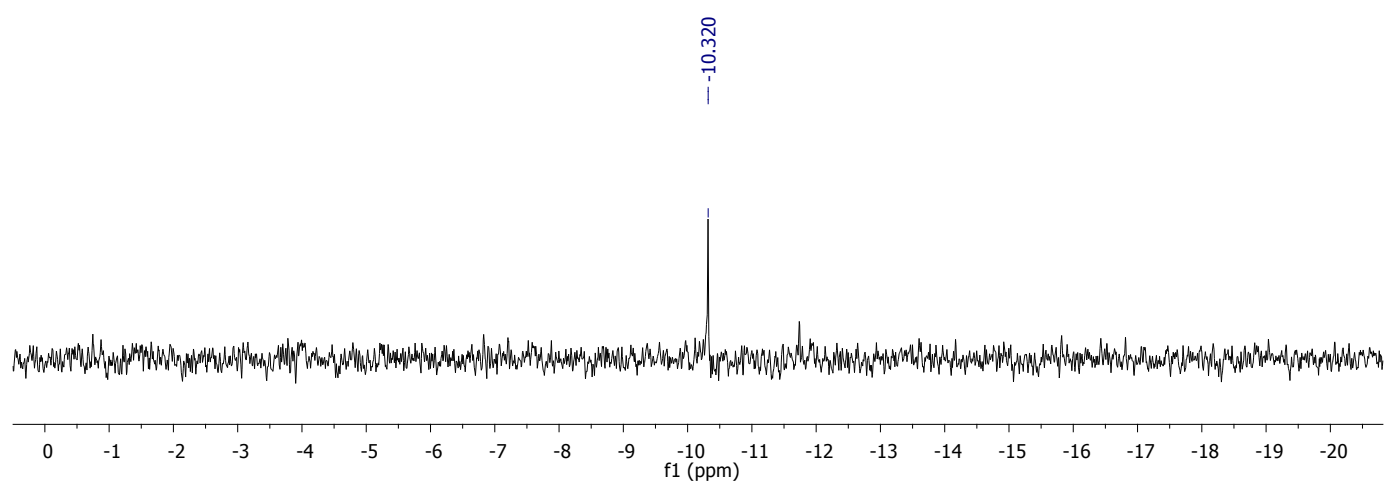
Compound 20

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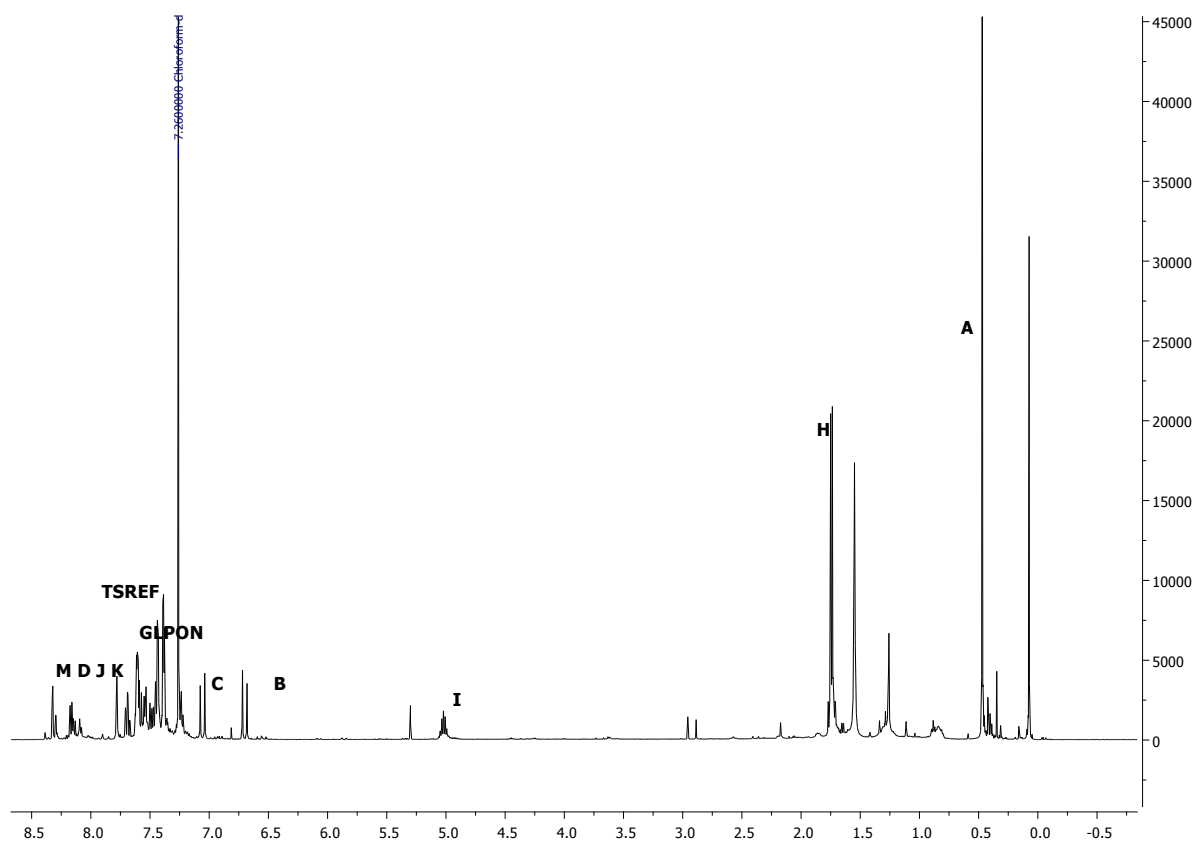
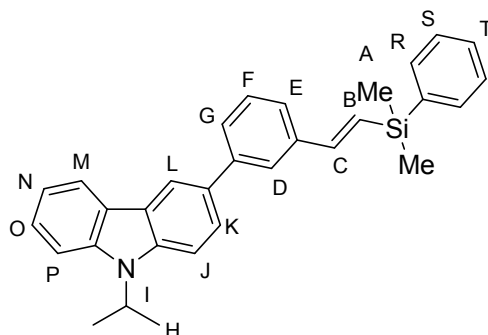
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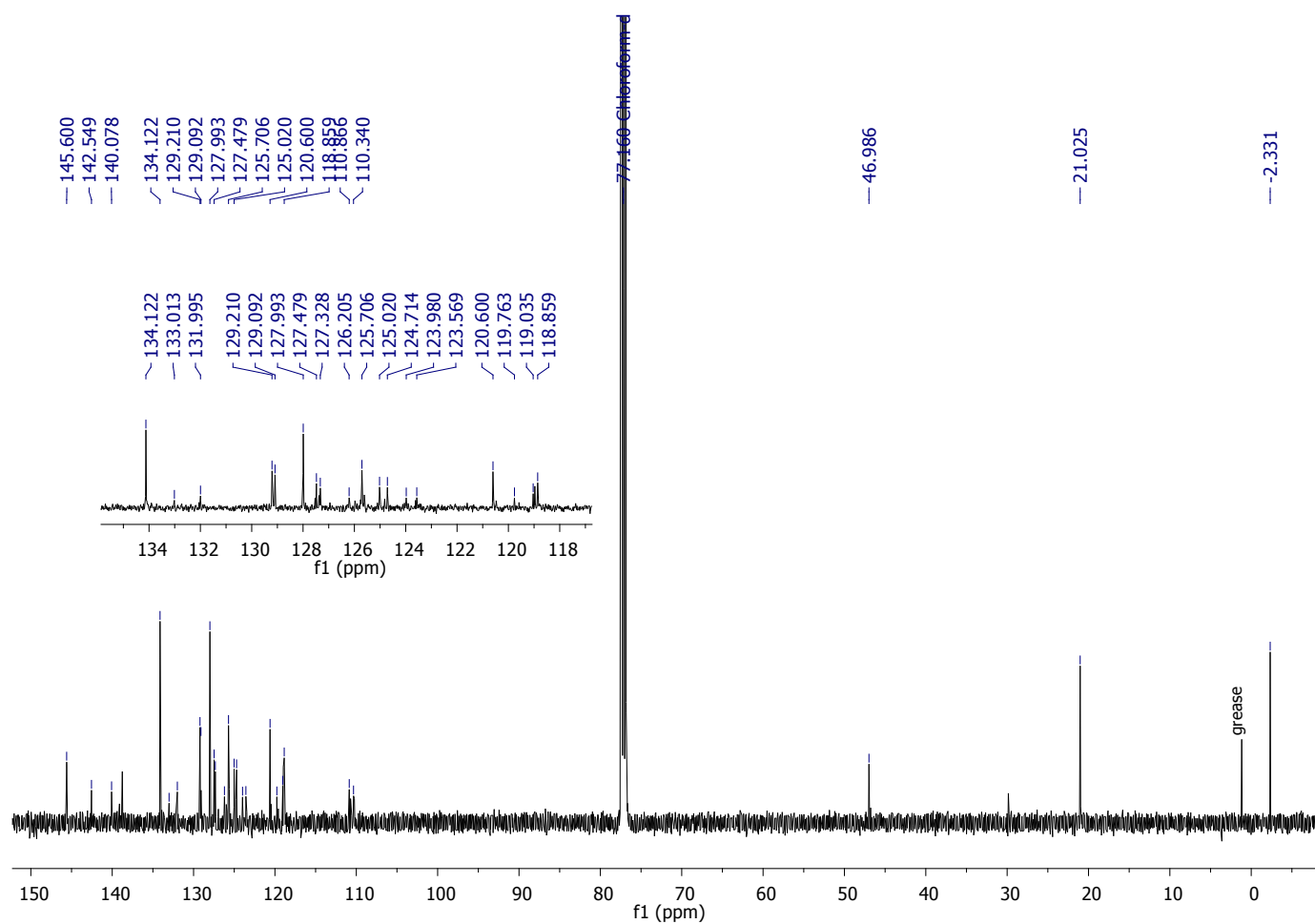
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Compound 21

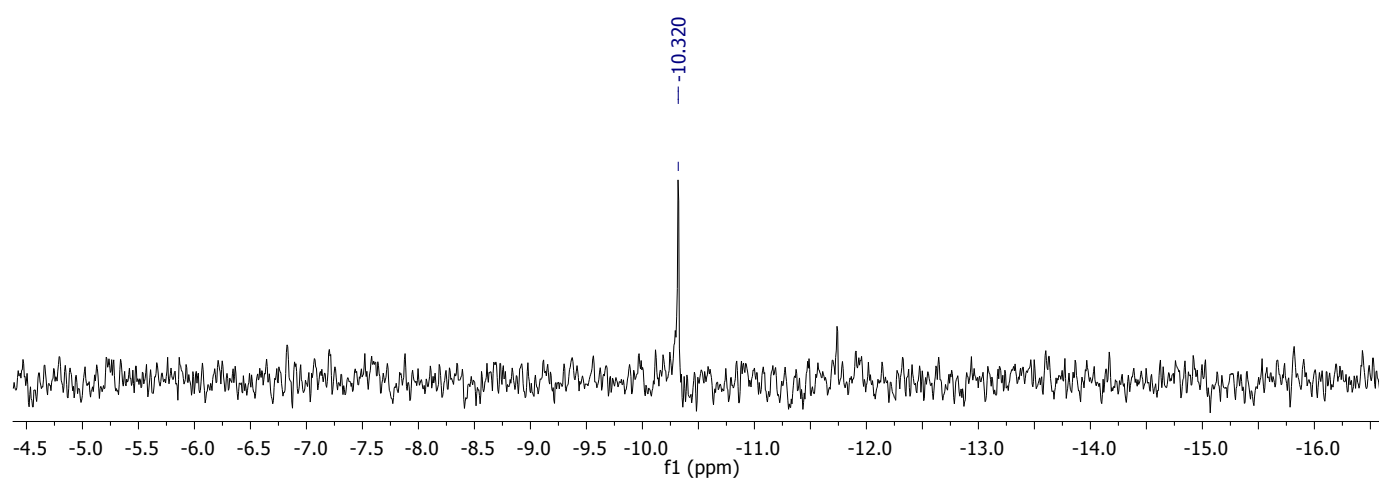
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Compound 21 - ¹H NMR in CDCl₃



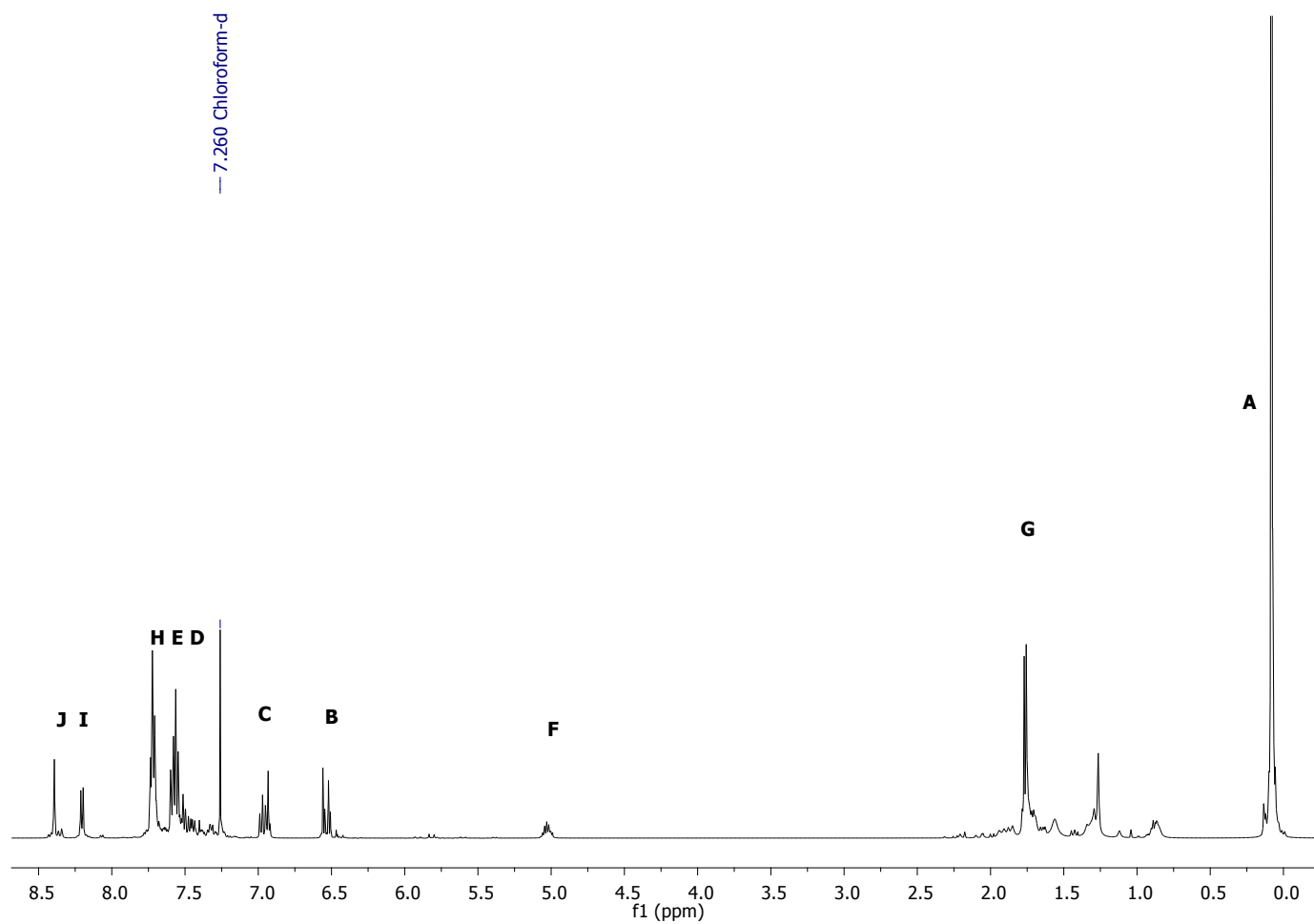
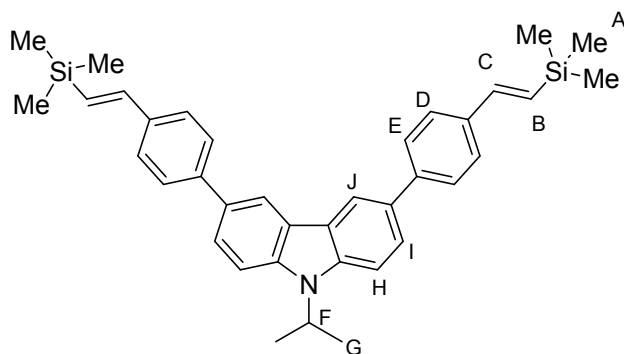
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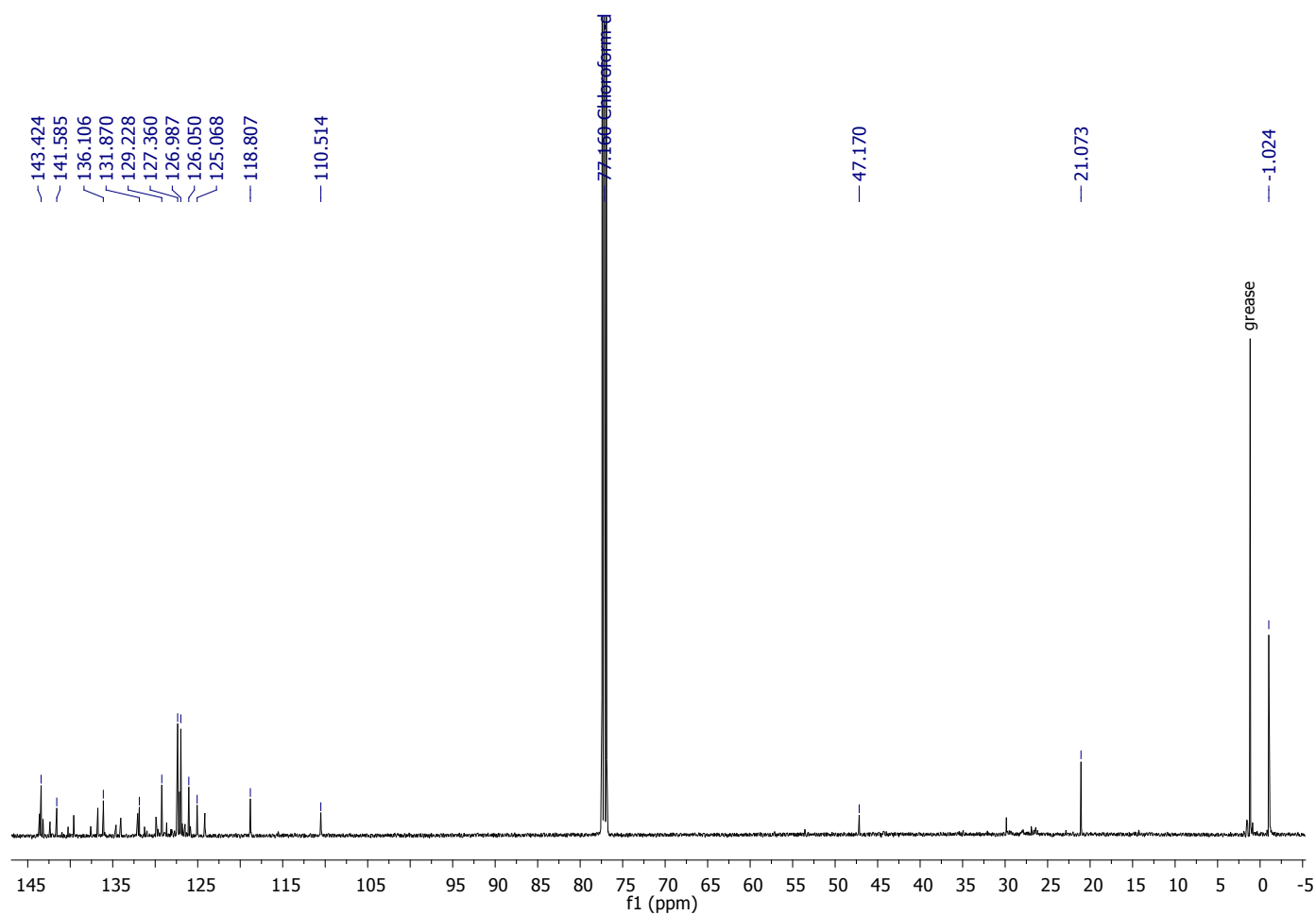
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Compound 22

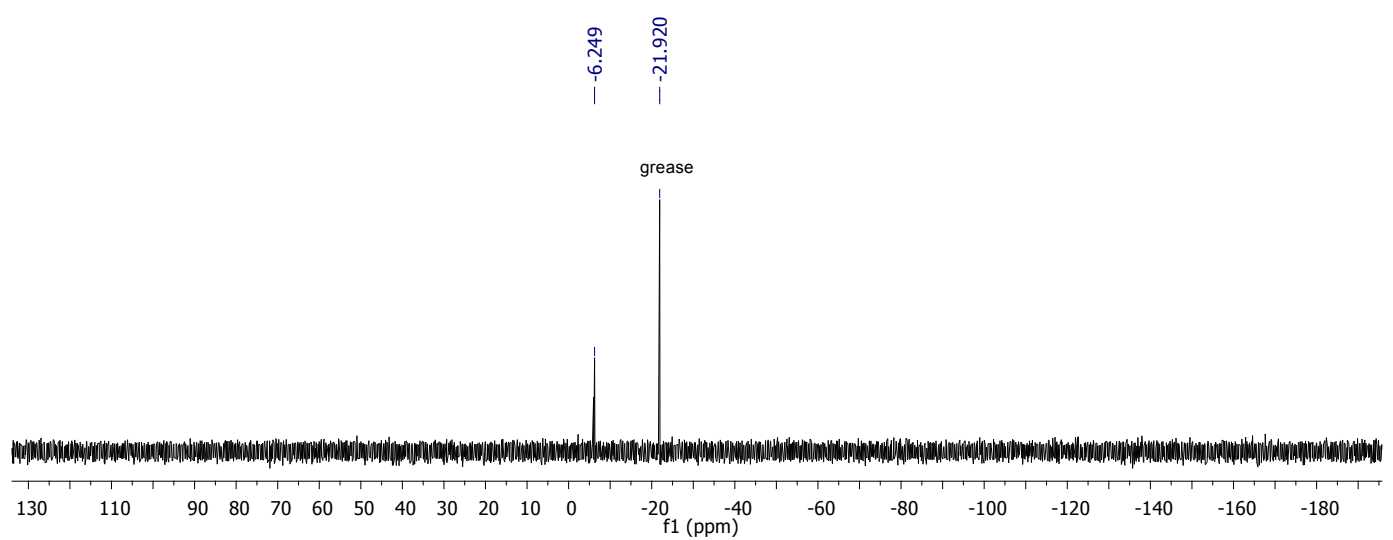
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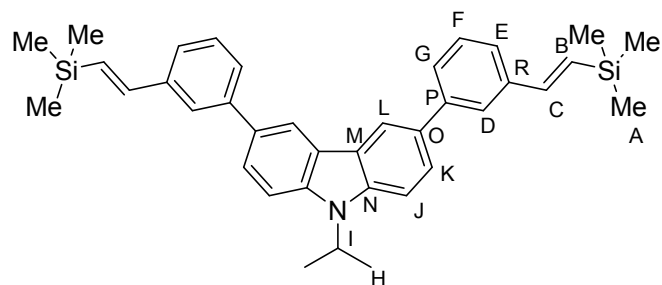
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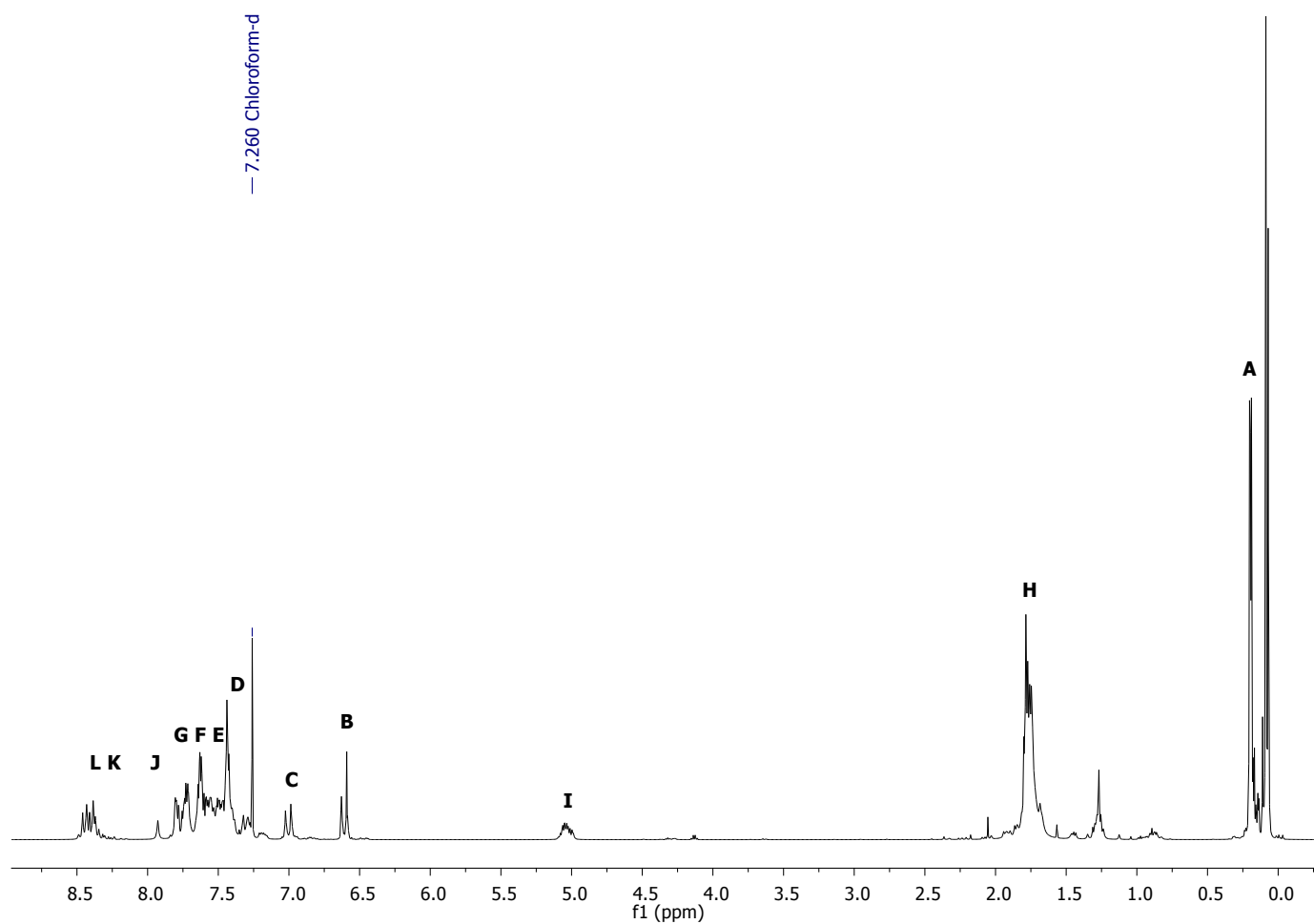
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Compound 23

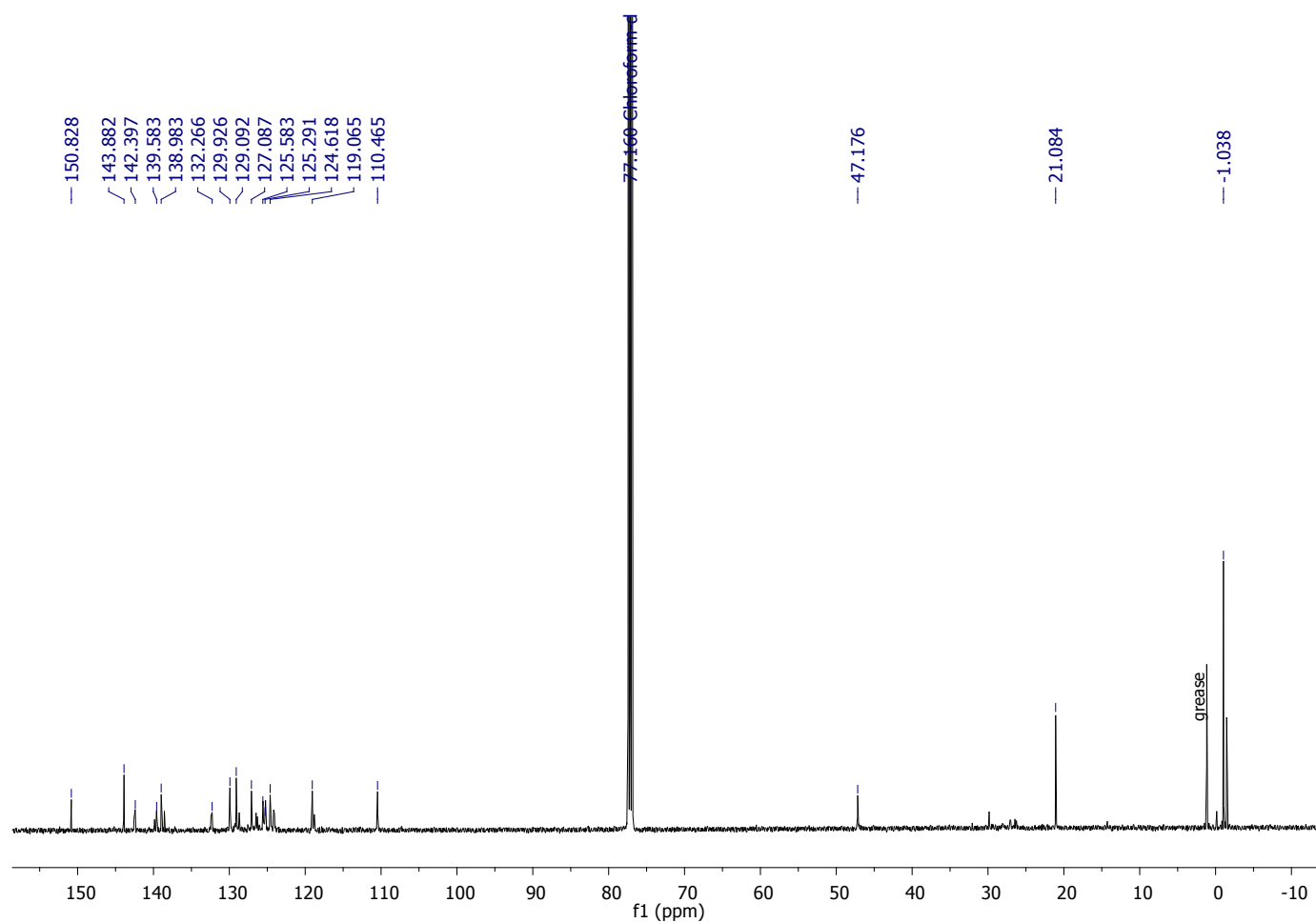
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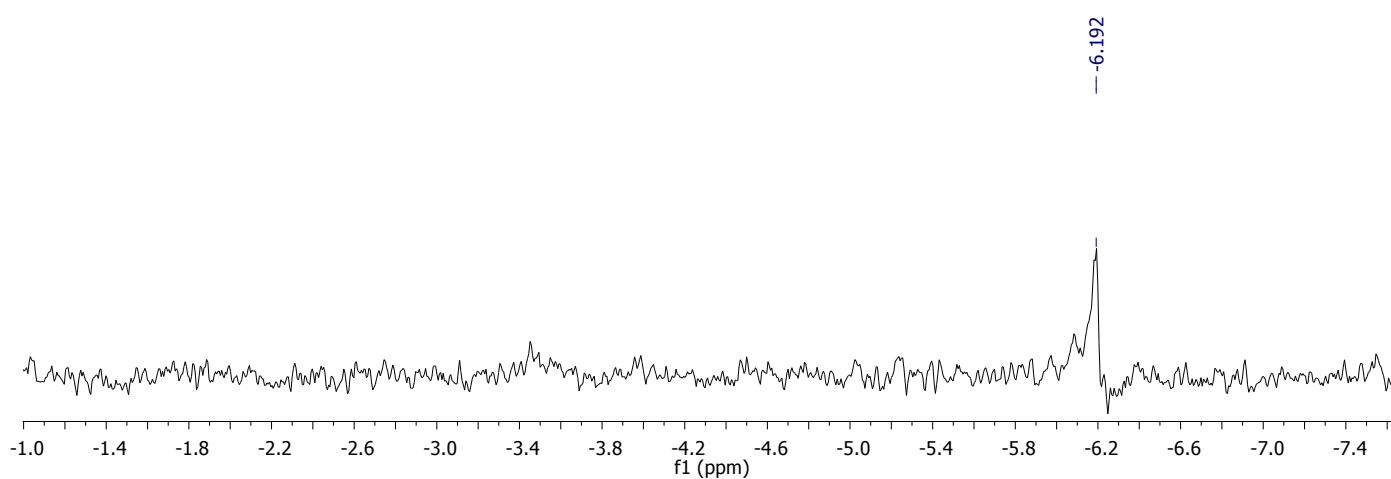
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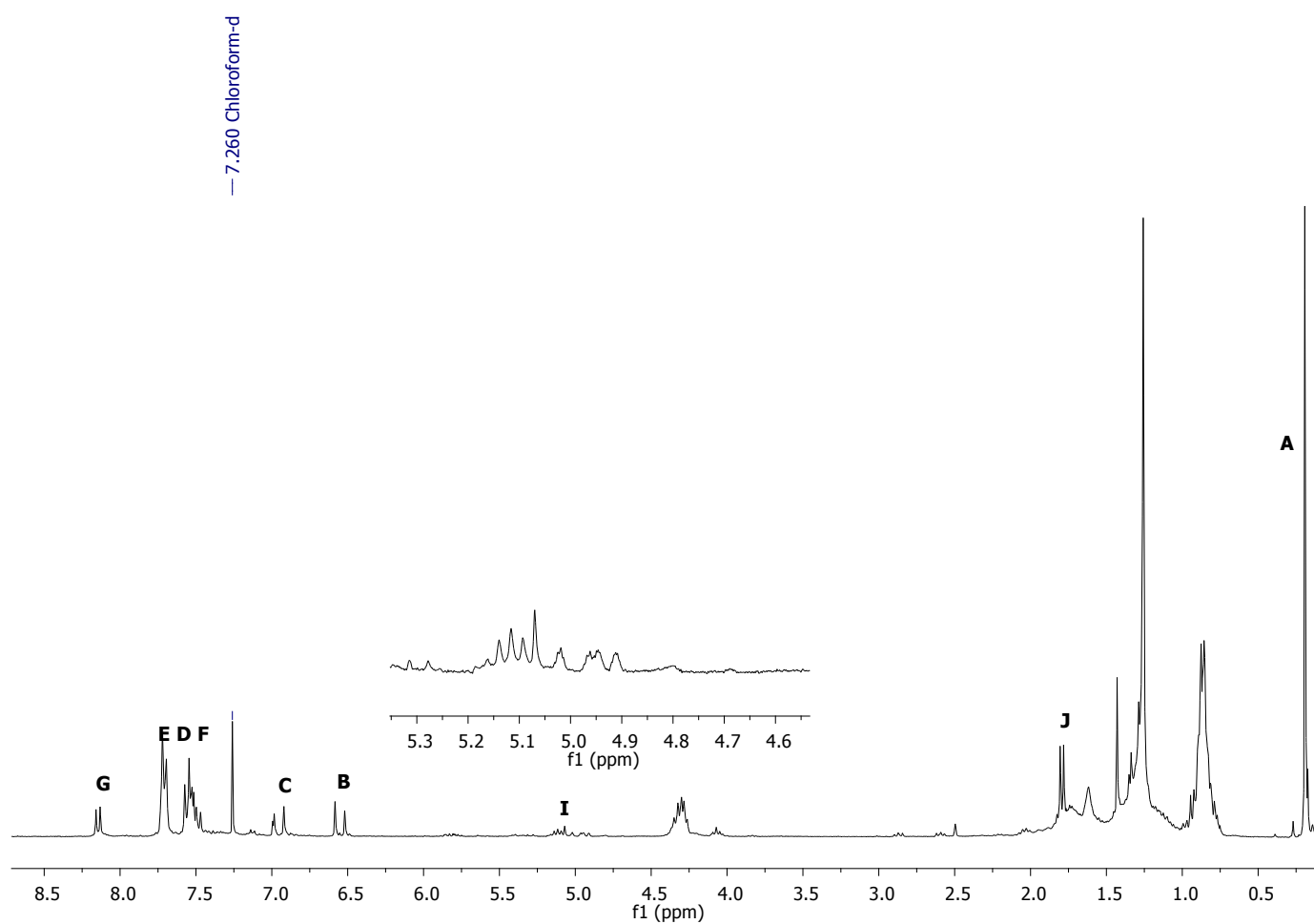
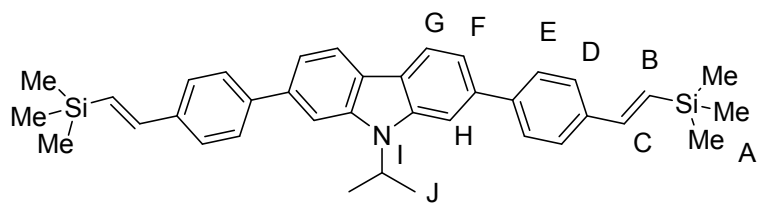
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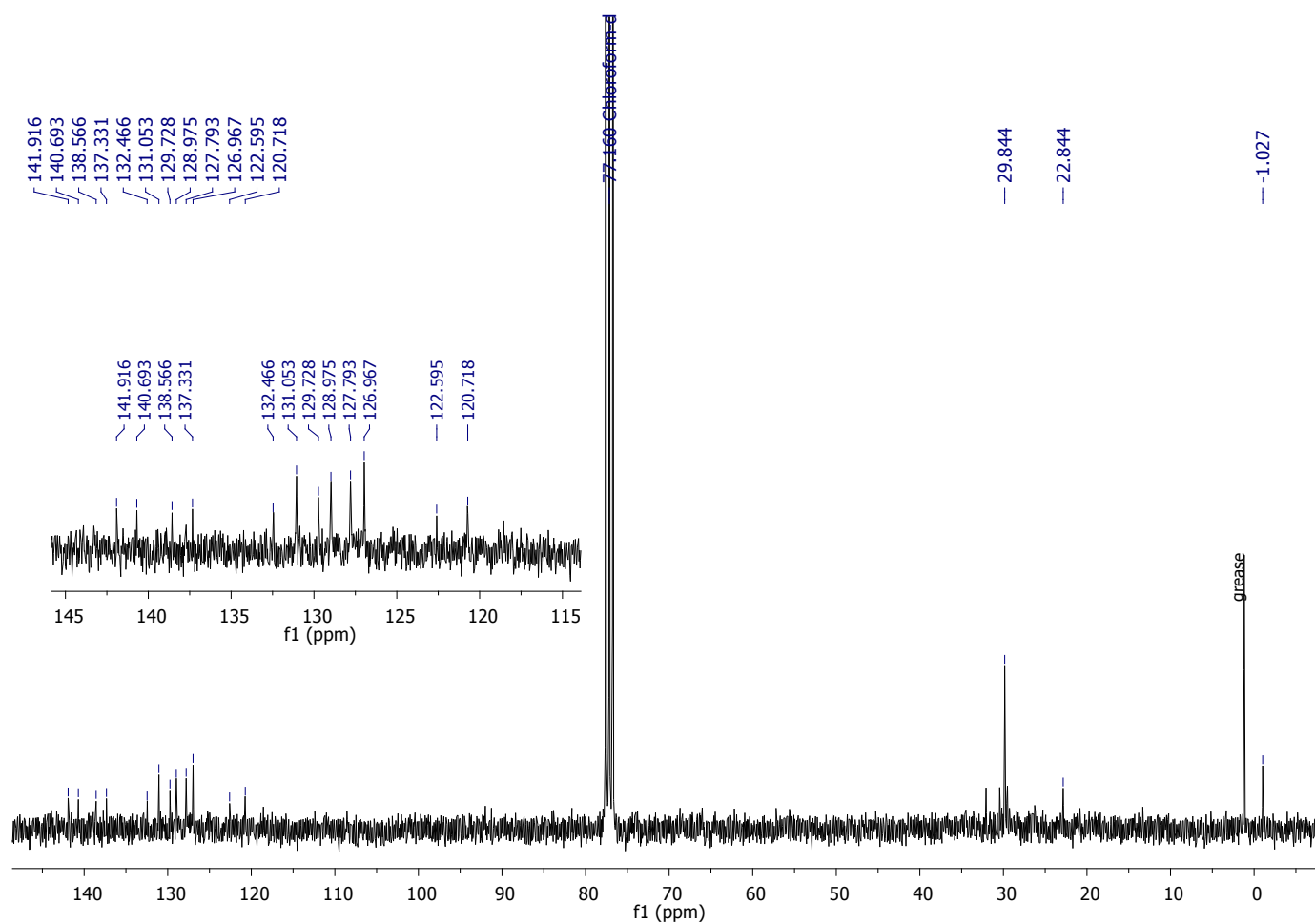
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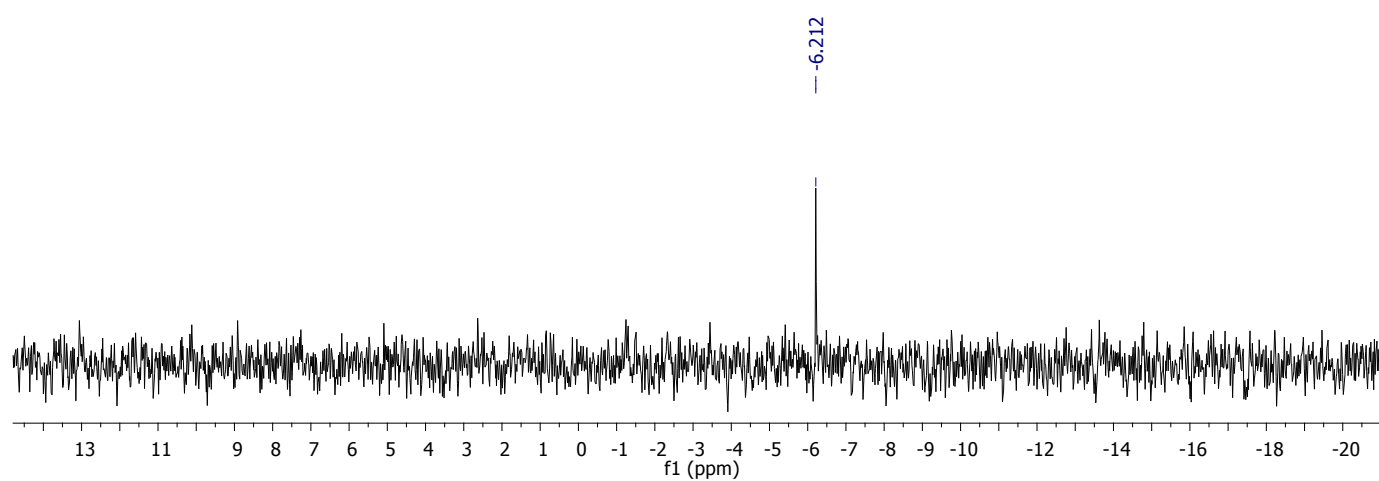
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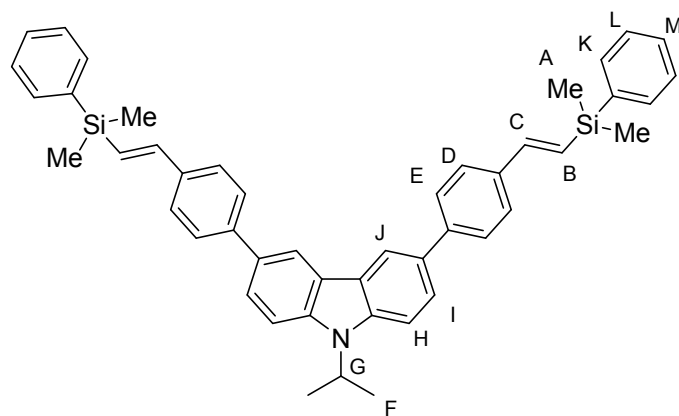
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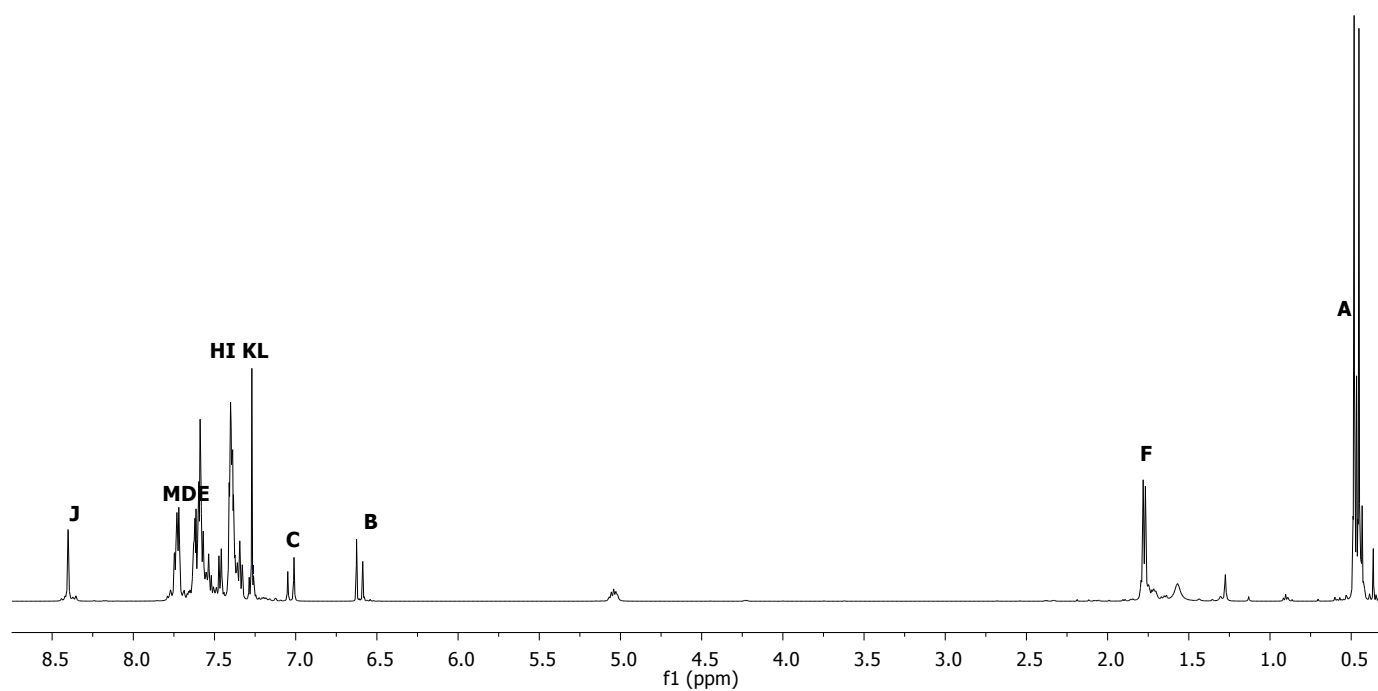
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Compound 25

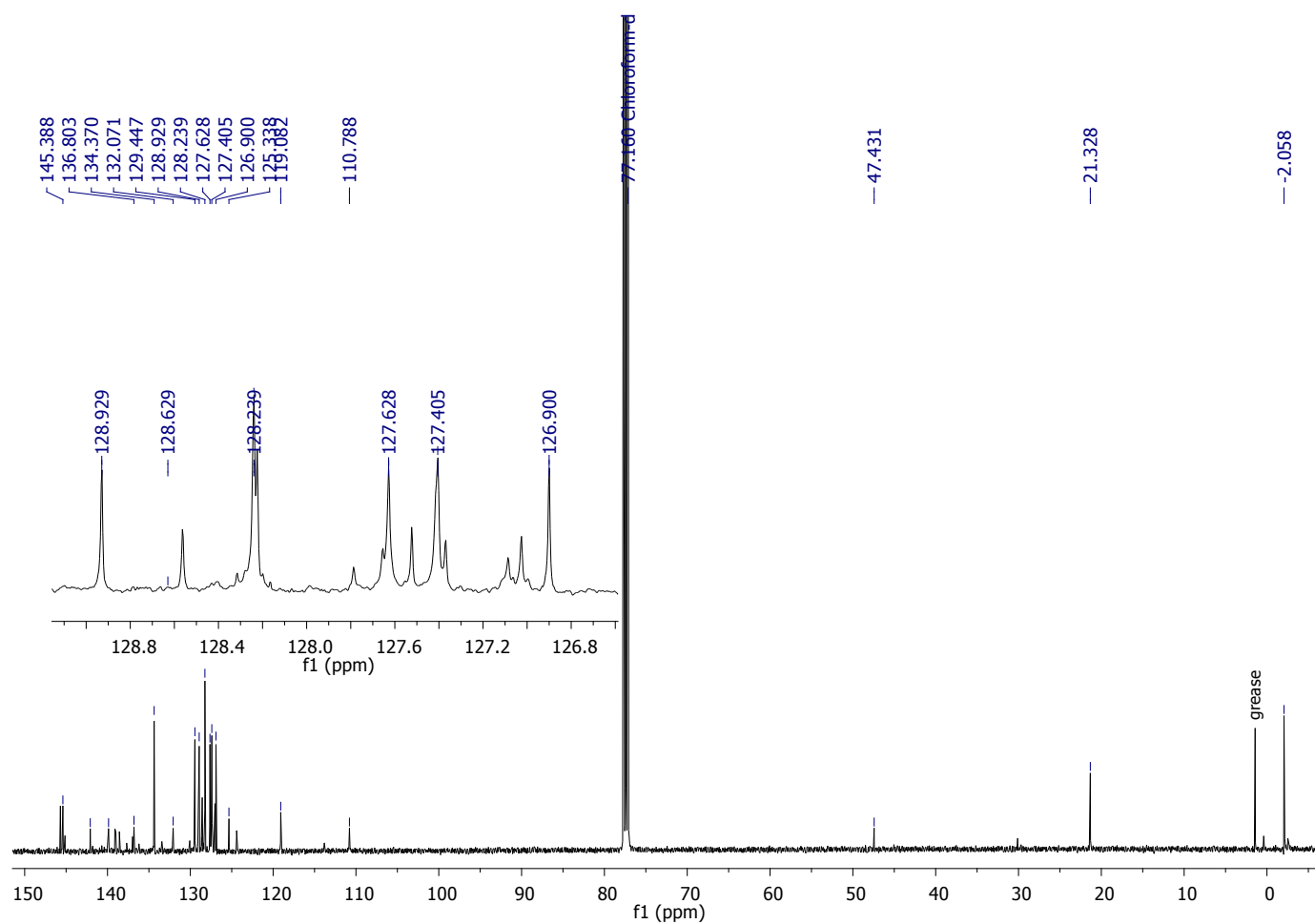
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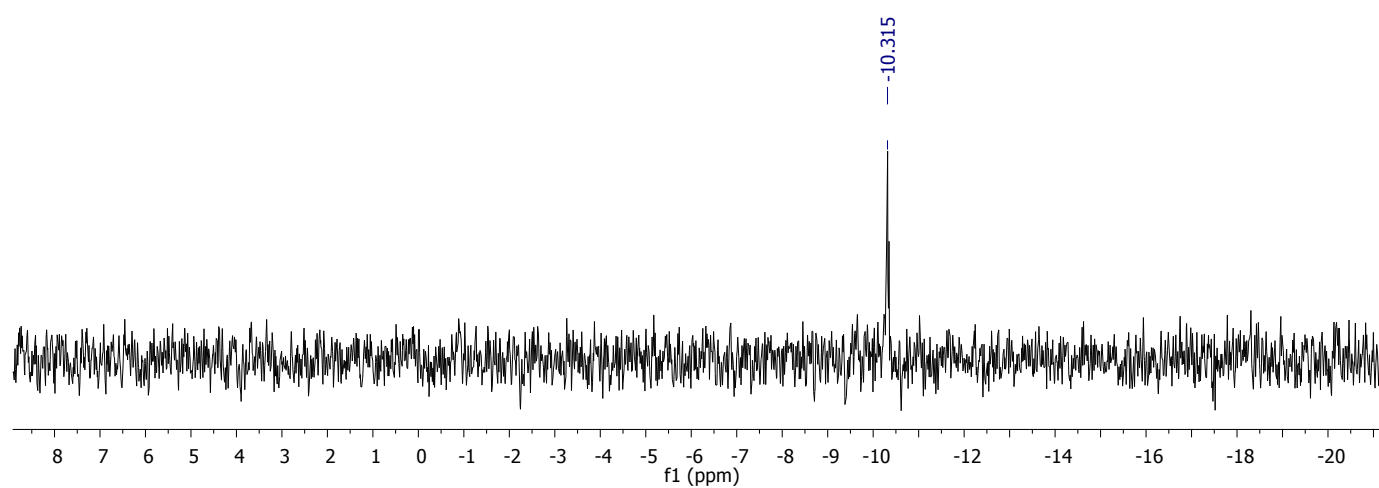
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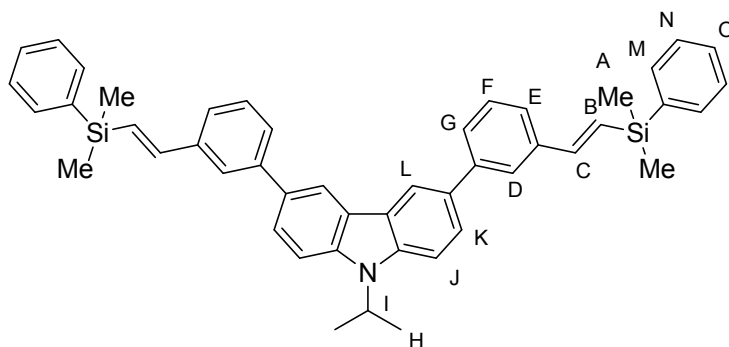
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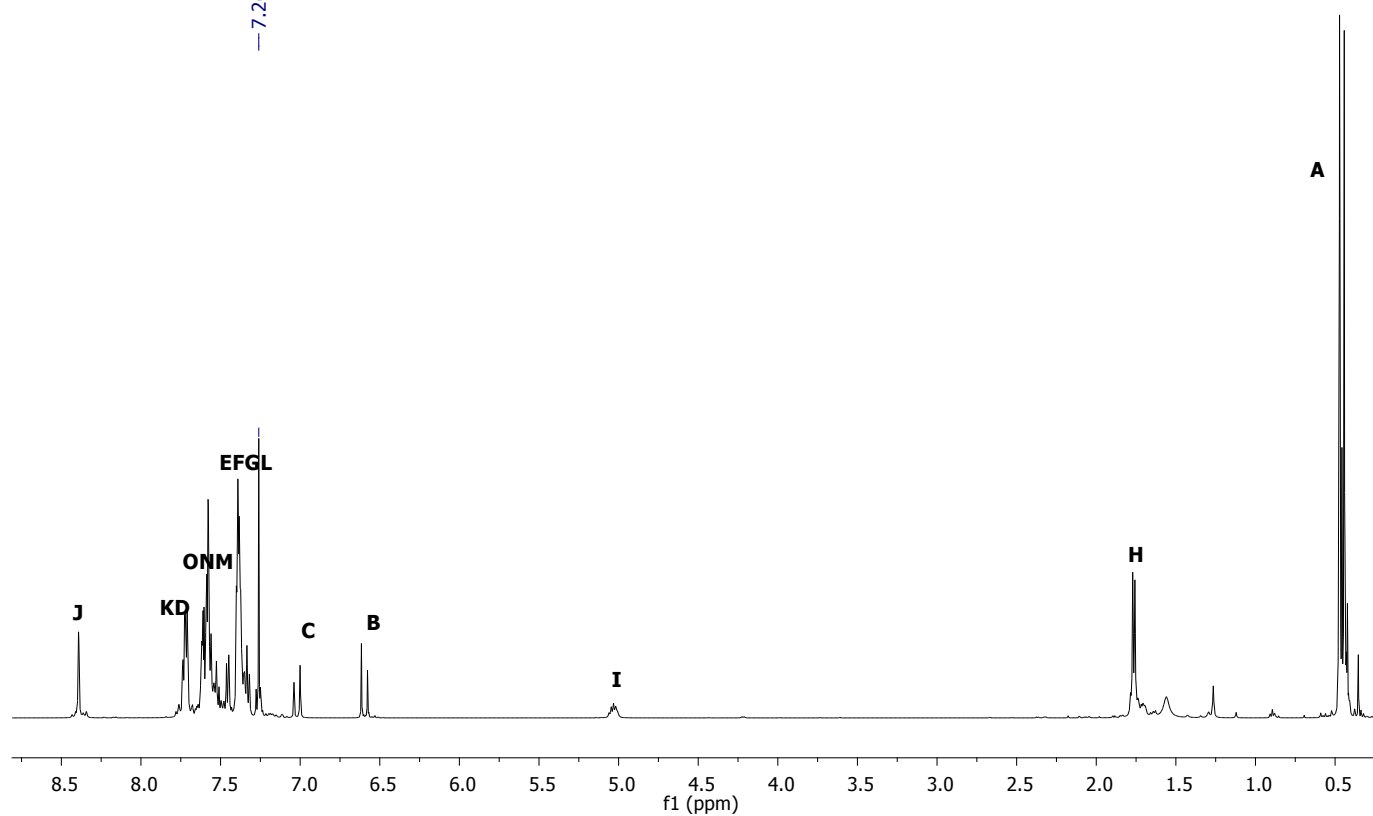
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Compound 26

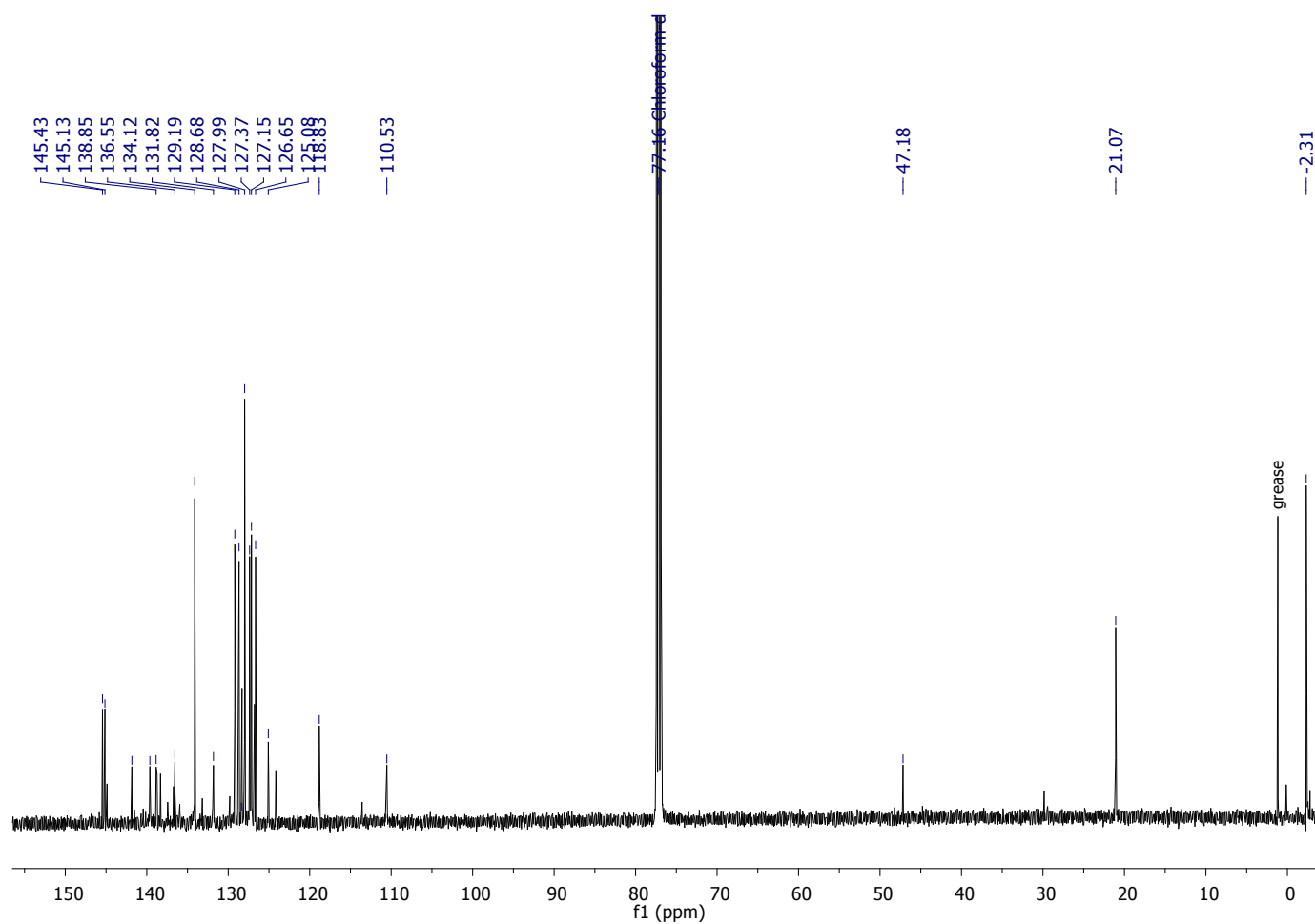
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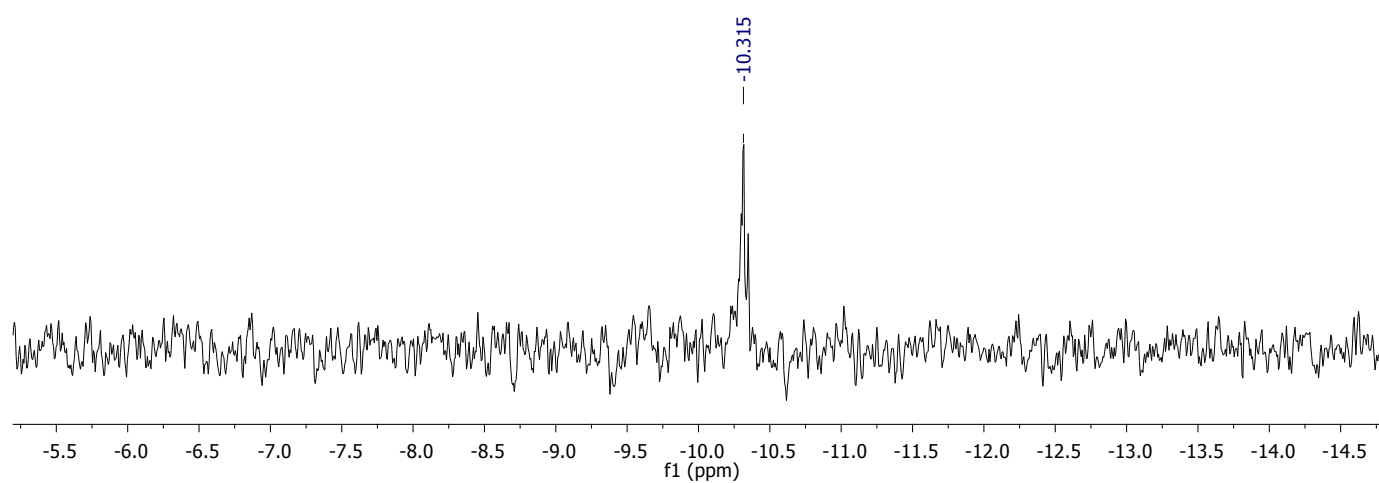
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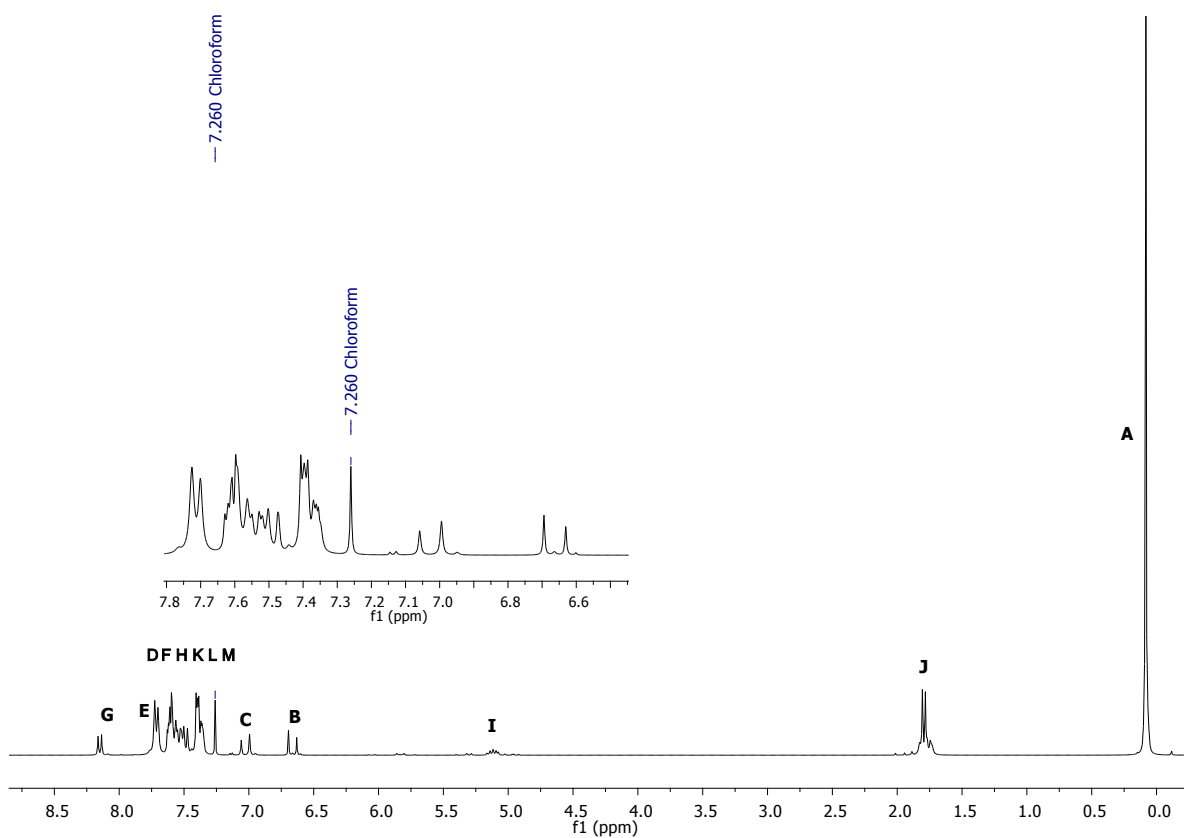
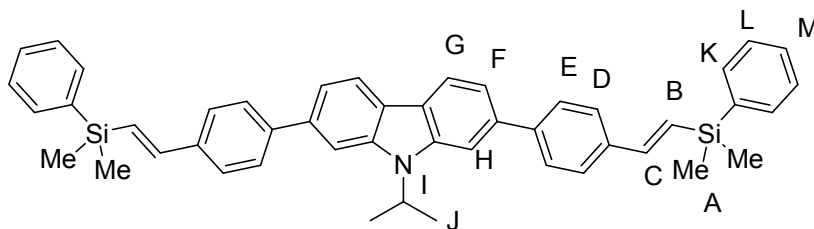
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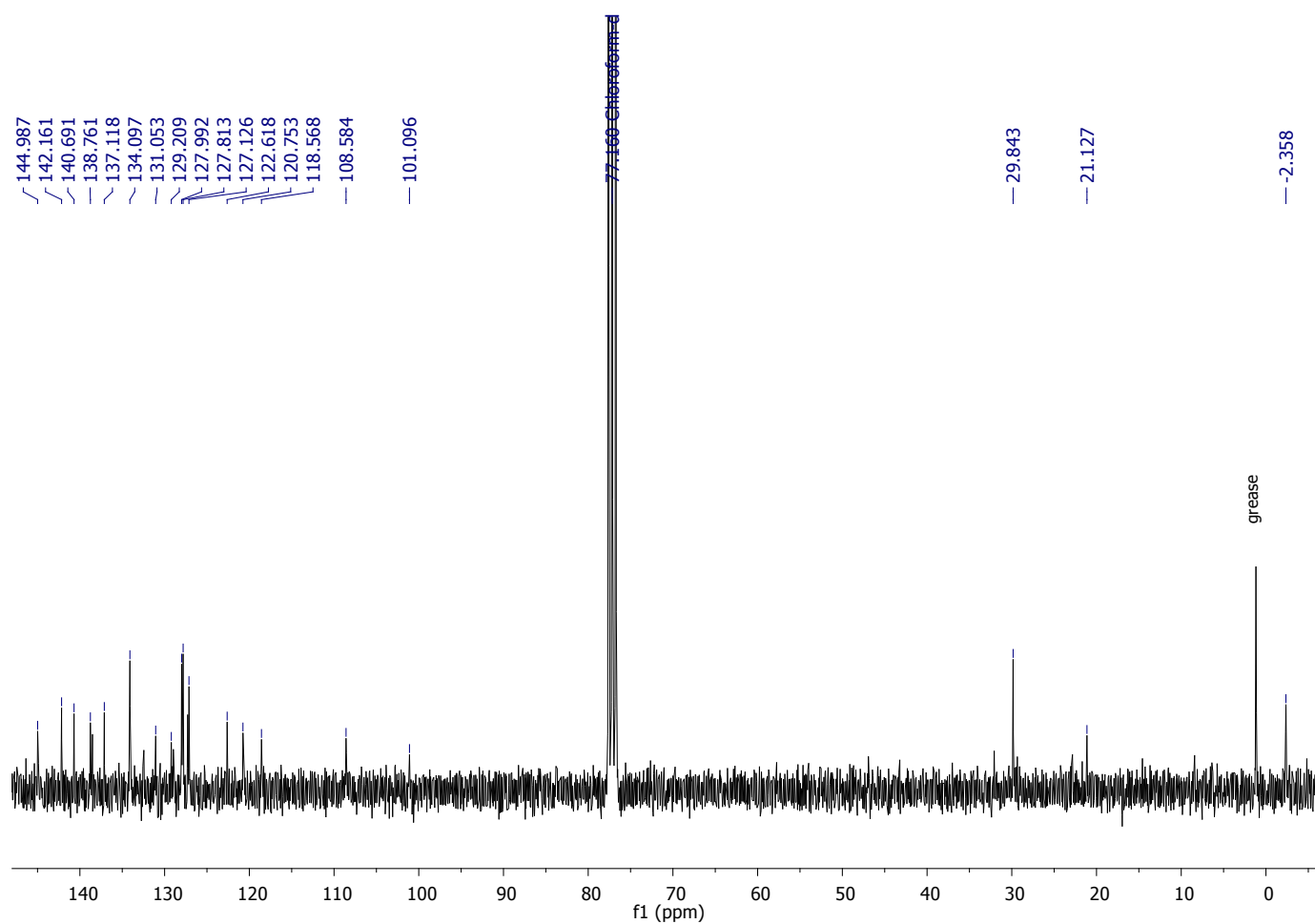
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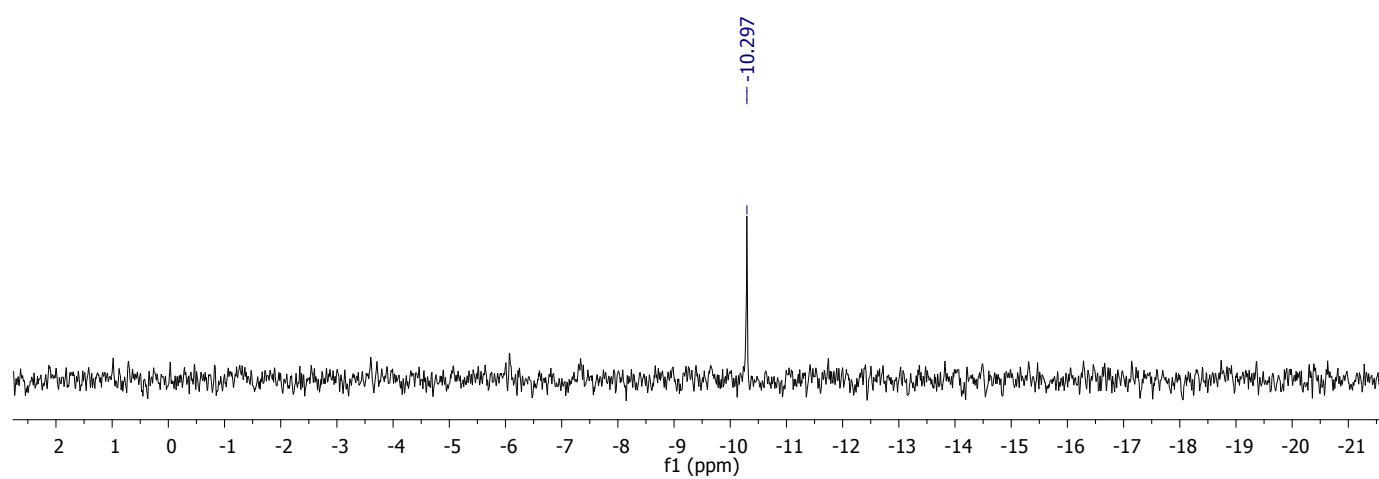
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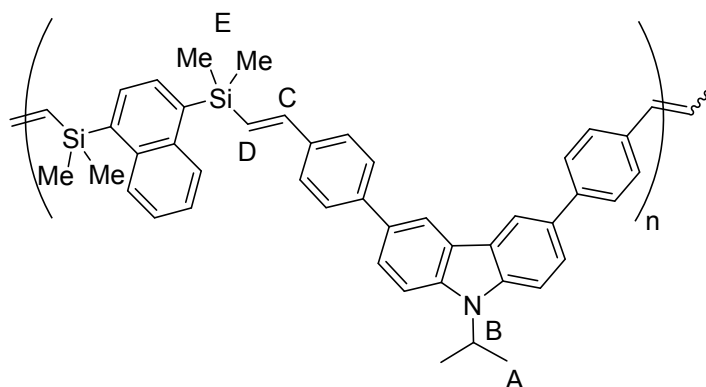
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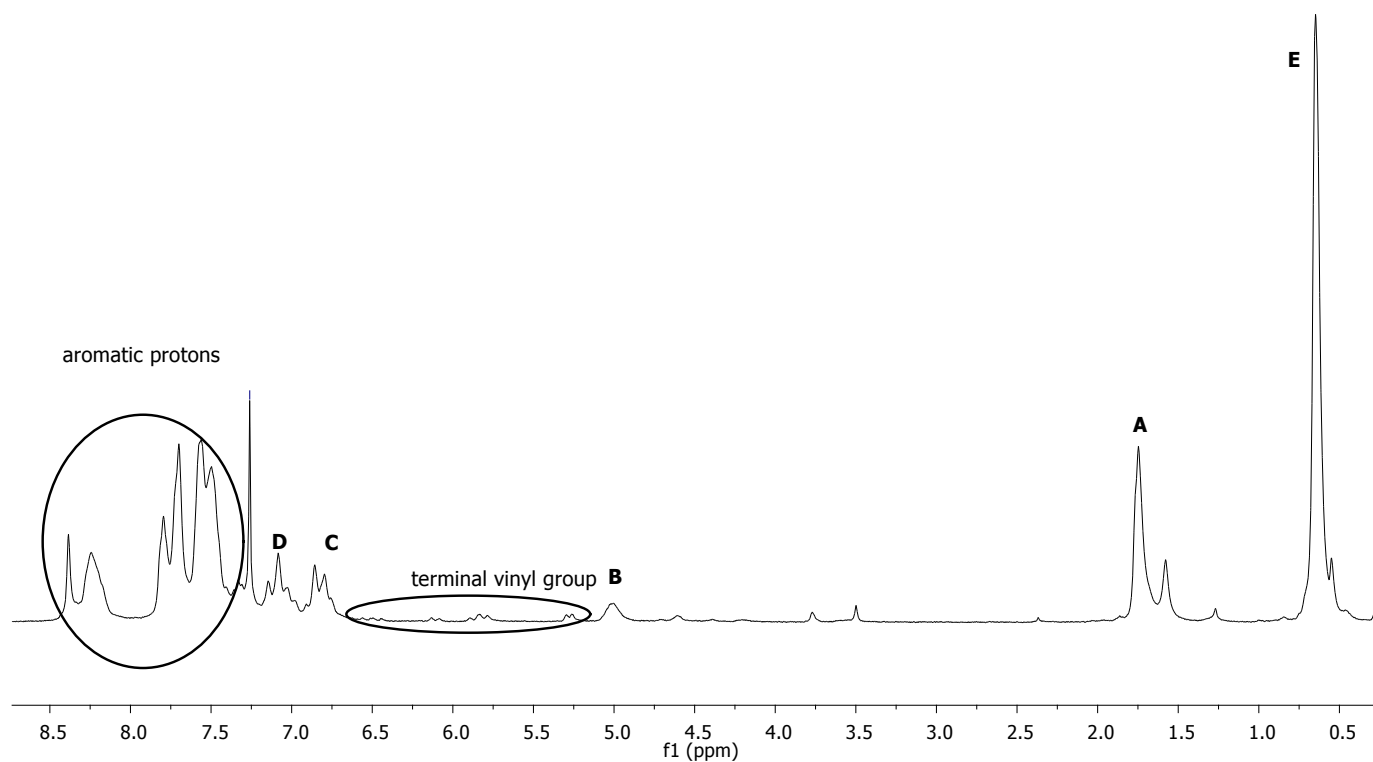
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Compound 28-P1

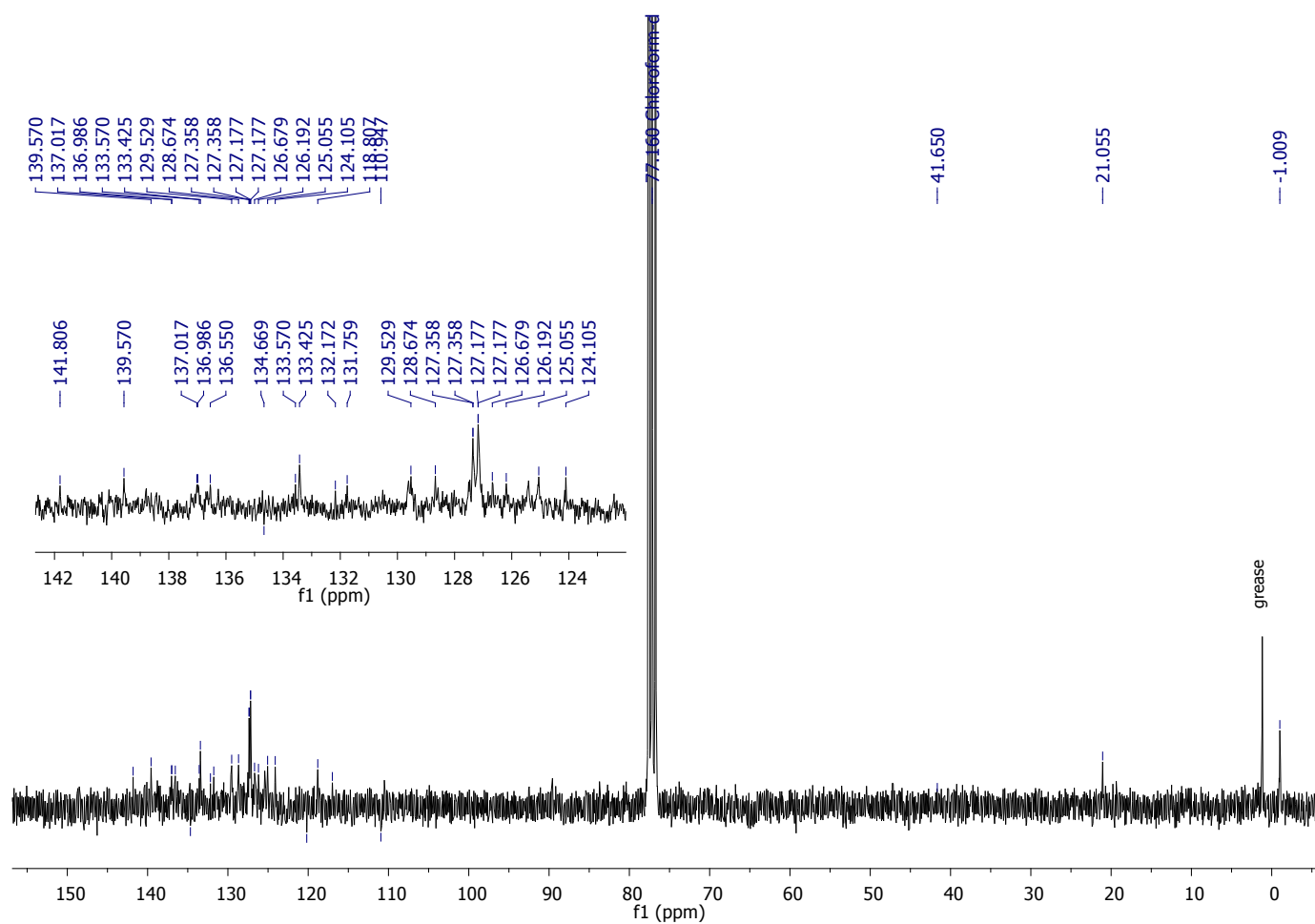
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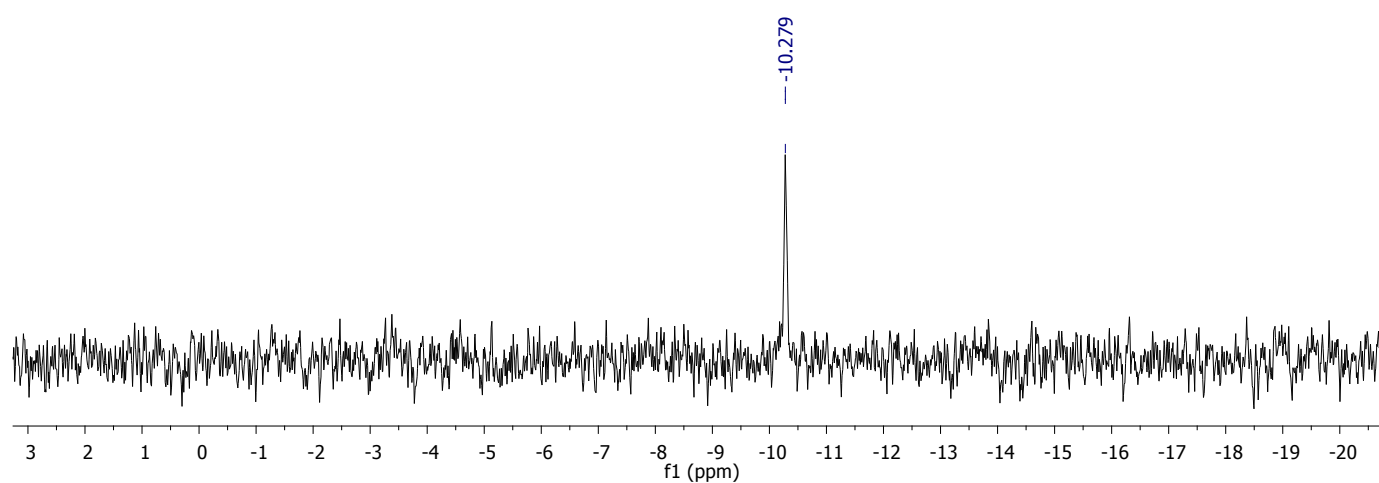
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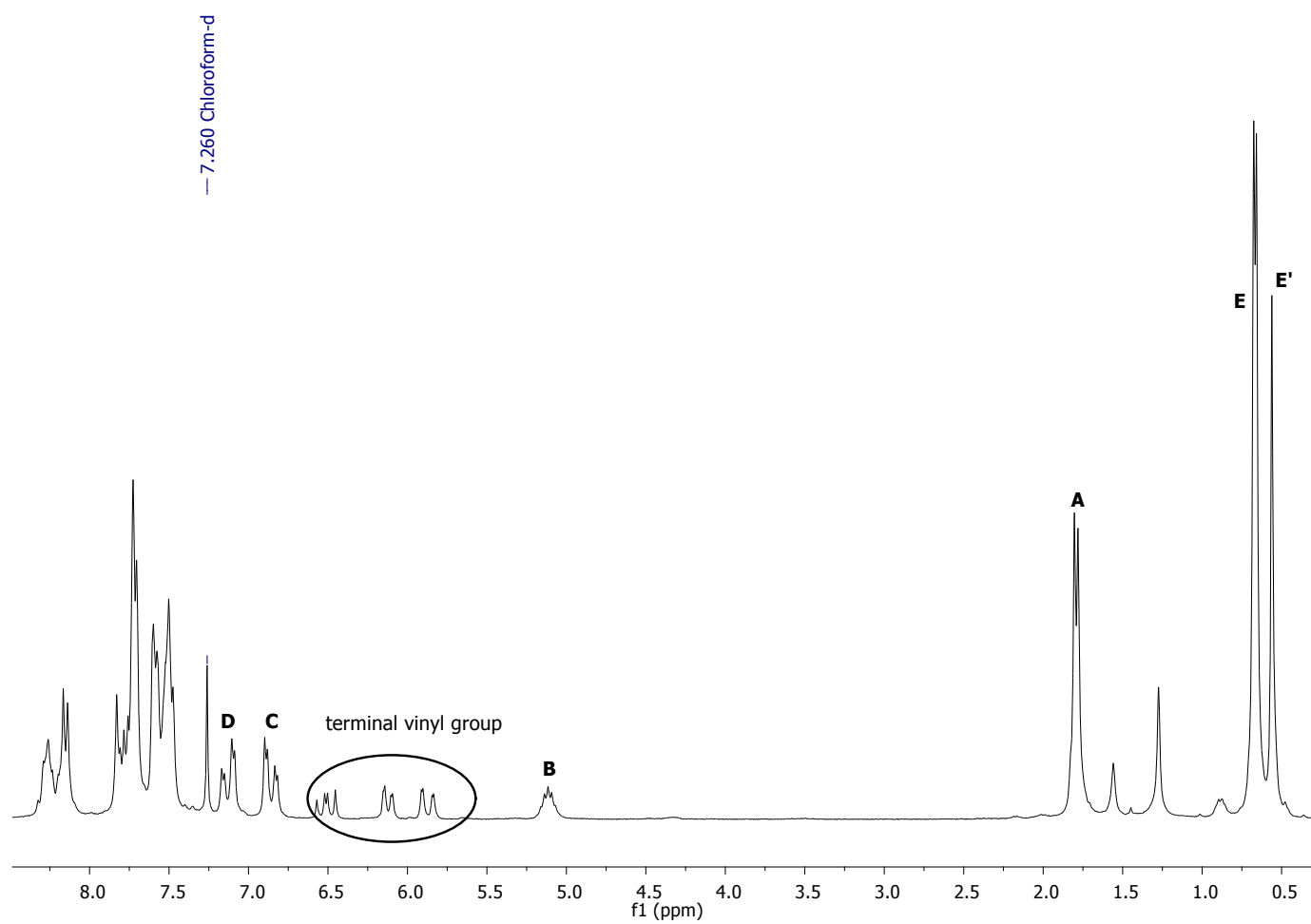
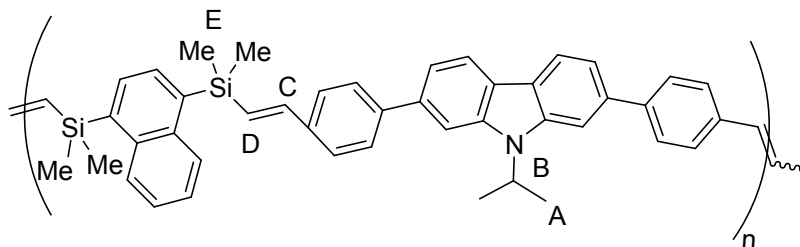
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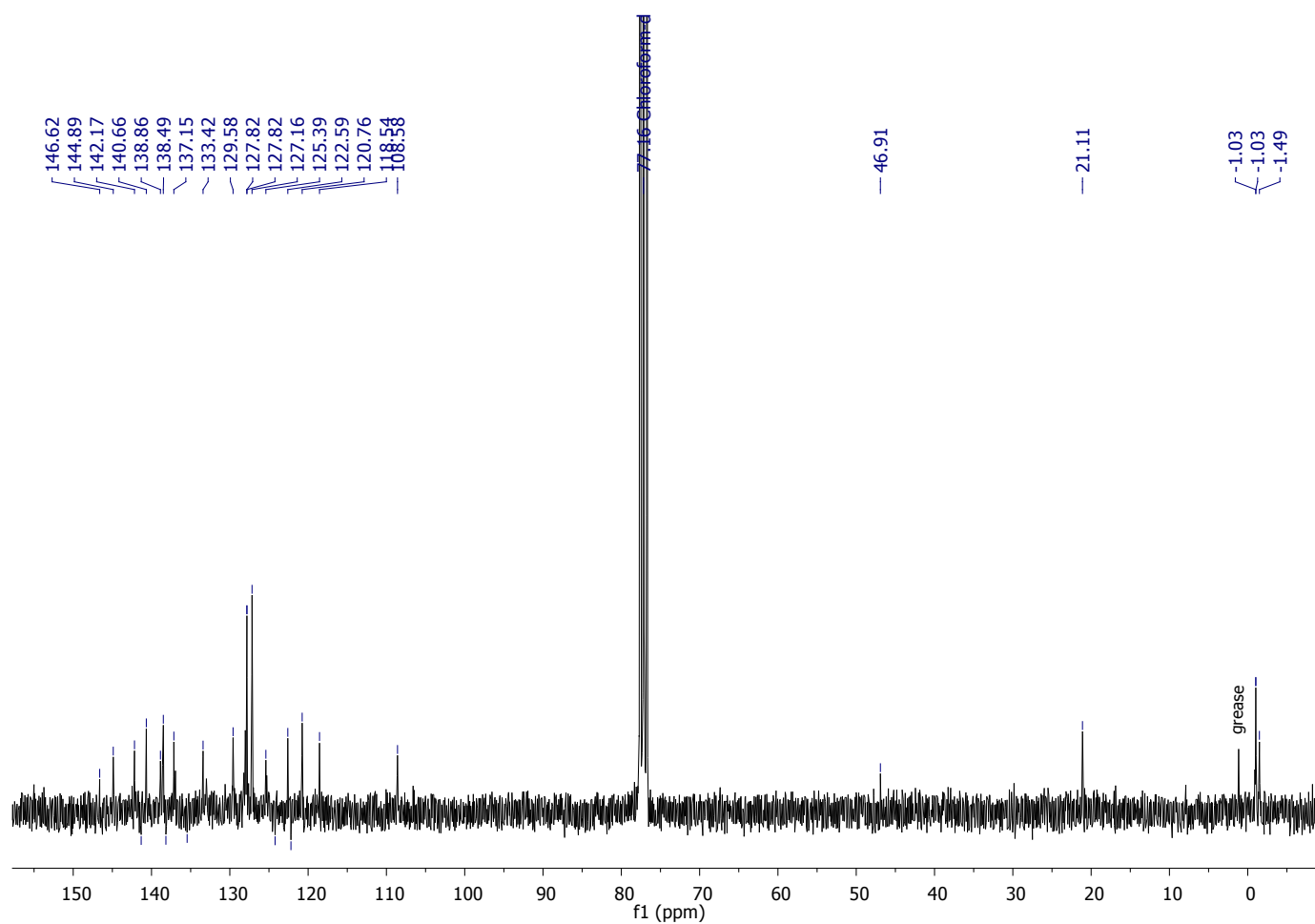
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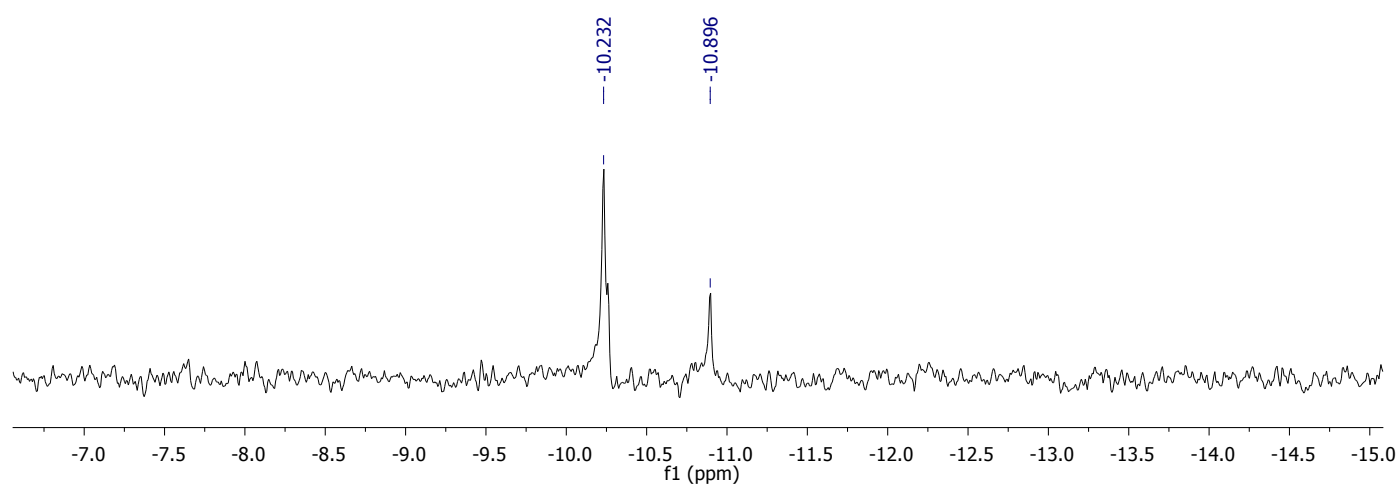
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Compound 29 - ^1H NMR in CDCl_3



Compound 29 – ¹³C NMR in CDCl₃



Compound 29 – ²⁹Si NMR in CDCl₃

GPC chromatograms and calculation

The GPC general calculation of **28 - P1**

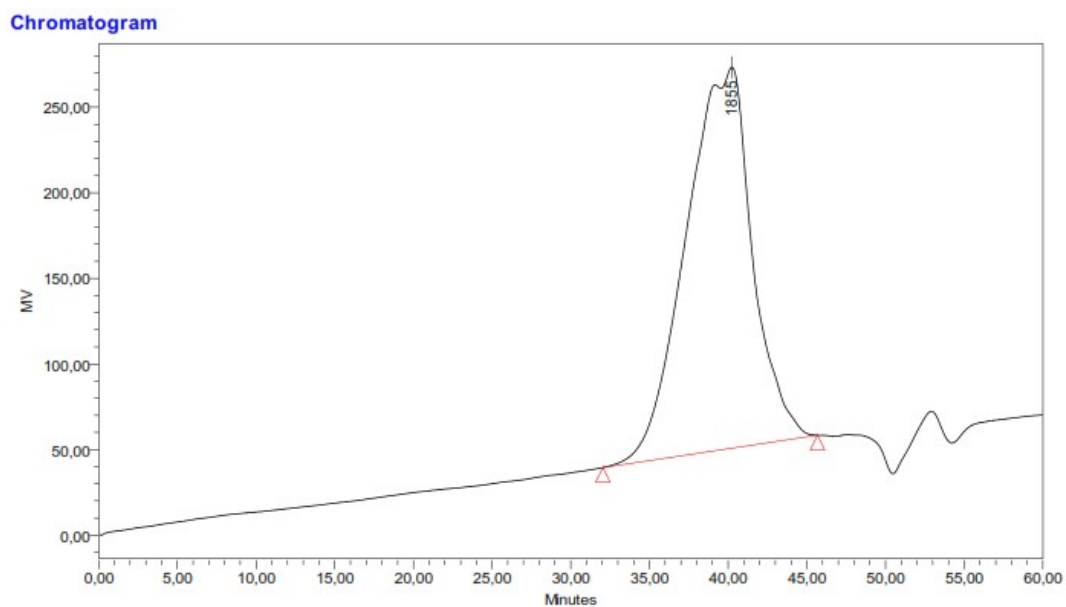


Figure 2. GPC chromatogram of **28 - P1**

GPC Sample Results

	Retention Time	Mn	Mw	MP	Mz	Poly-dispersity	%Area
1	40,235	2073	2930	1855	4225	1,413	100,00

The GPC exact calculation of **28 - P1**

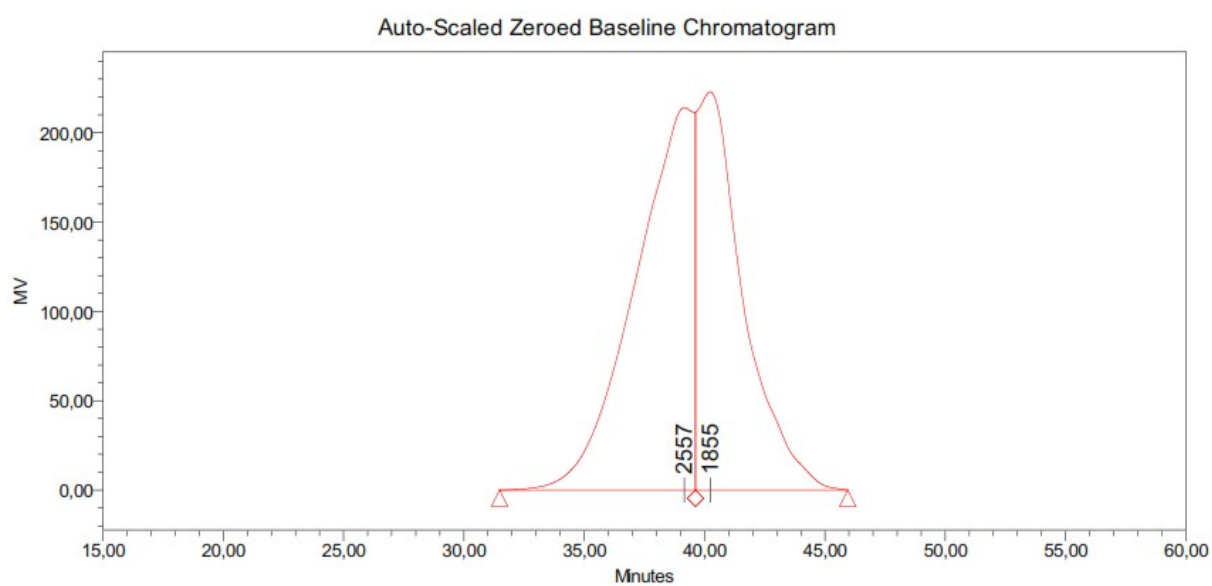


Figure 3. GPC chromatogram of **28- P1**

GPC Sample Results

	Retention Time	Mn	Mw	MP	Mz	Poly-dispersity	% Area
1	39,155	3503	4094	2557	5083	1,169	54,74
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The GPC general calculation of **29 - P2**

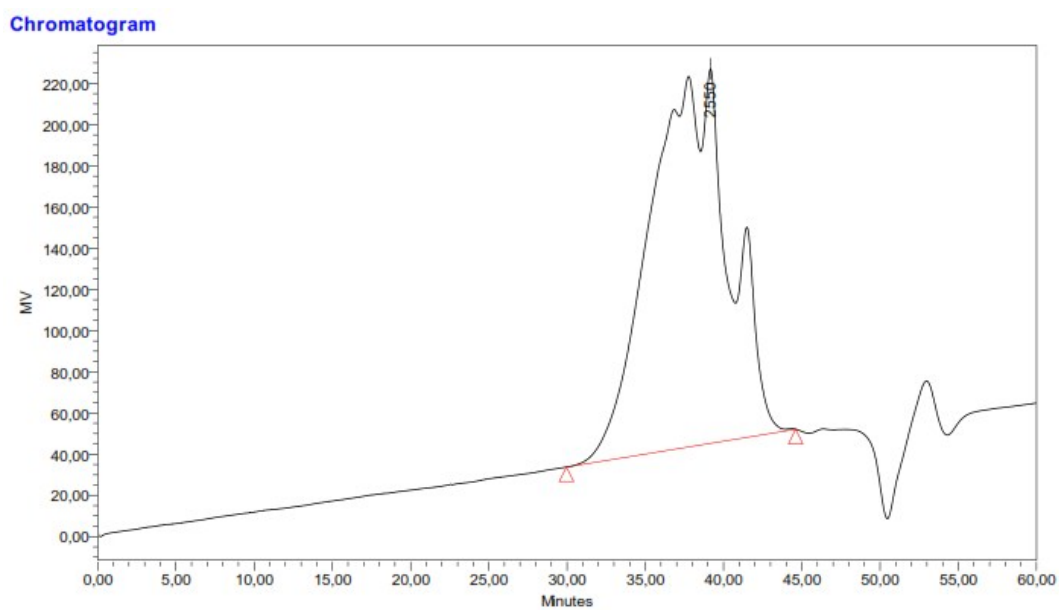


Figure 4. GPC chromatogram of **29 - P2**

GPC Sample Results

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The GPC exact calculation of **29- P2**

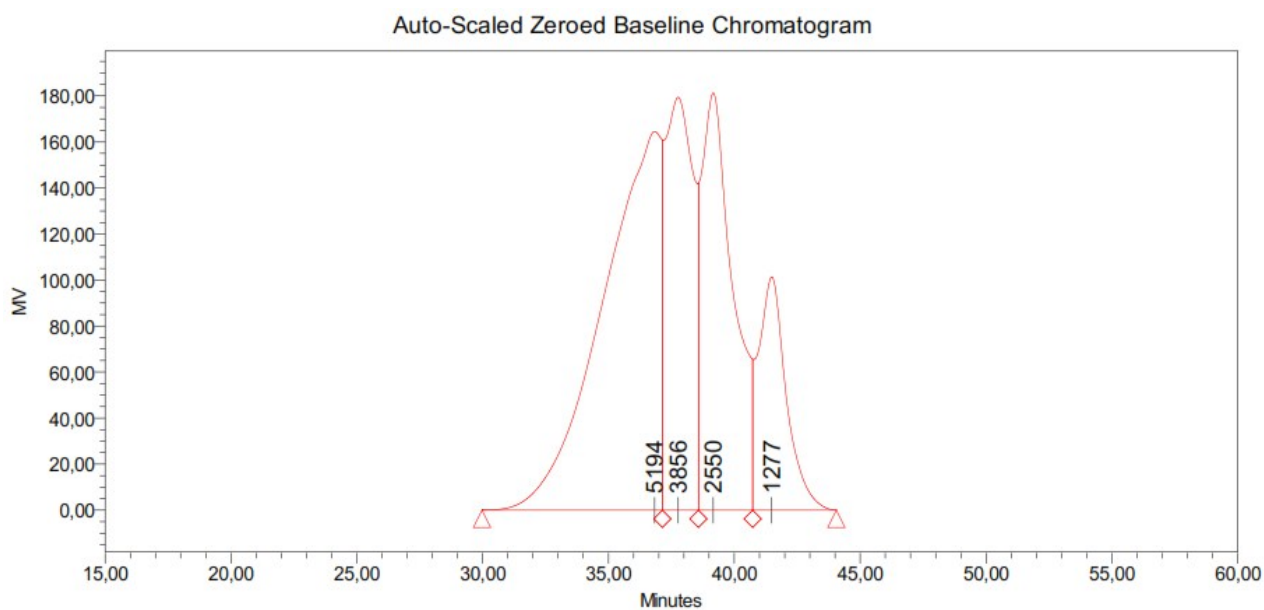


Figure 5. GPC chromatogram of **29 - P2** (exact separation)

GPC Sample Results

	Retention Time	Mn	Mw	MP	Mz	Poly-dispersity	%Area
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2	37,772	3757	3815	3856	3872	1,015	21,93
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GCMS analysis

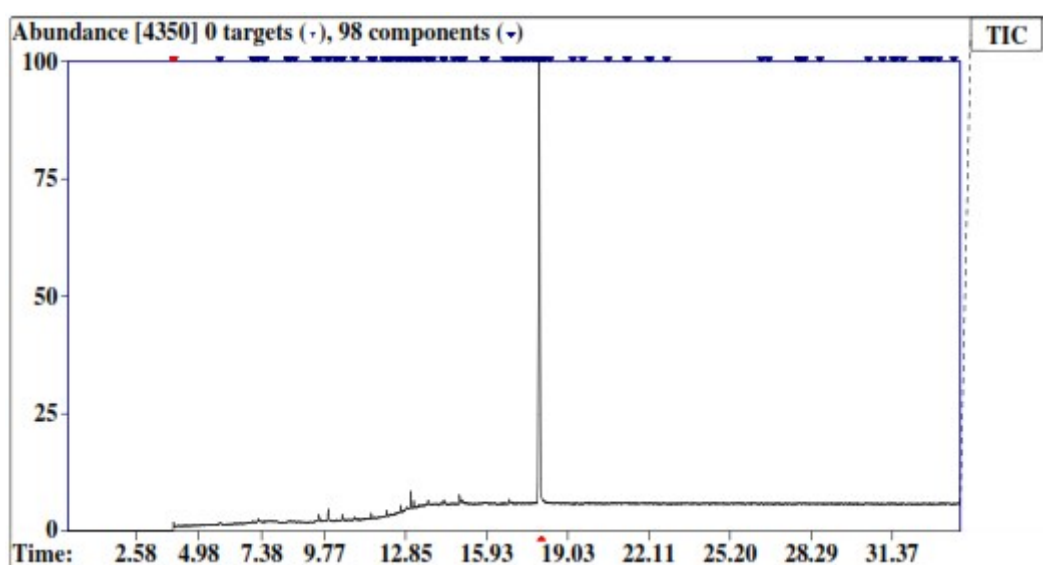


Figure 6. Sample of GCMS chromatogram-spectrum of **19** - catalytic system **5d** .

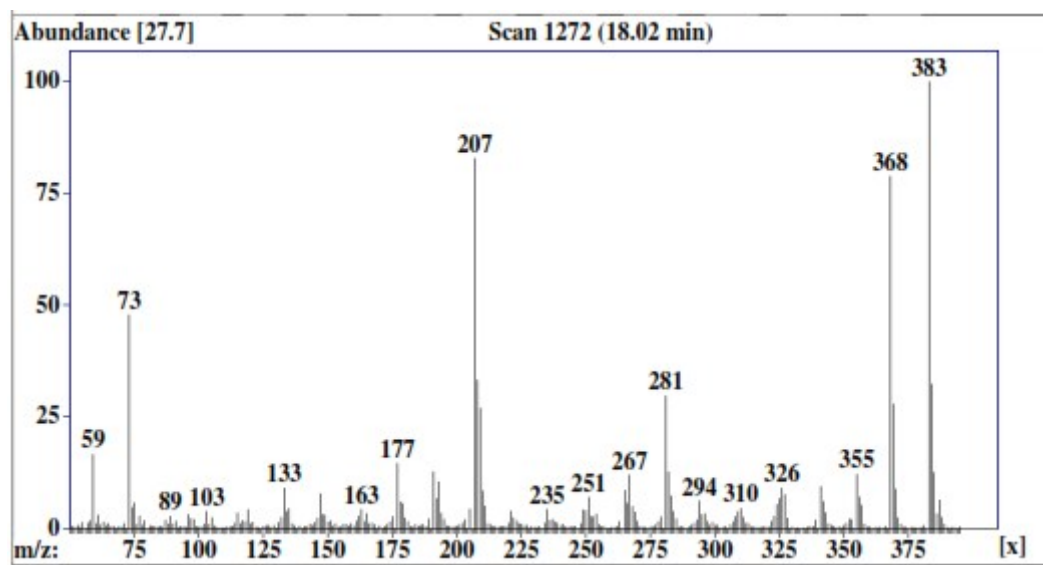


Figure 7. MS spectrum of **19**.