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Iridium (III) Catalyzed Regioselective Amidation of Indoles at C4 –Position Using Weak Coordinating Groups

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Experimental Section:

General experimental

NMR spectra were recorded on 400 MHZ spectrometer in CDCl₃, Tetramethylsilane (TMS; δ = 0.00 ppm) served as an internal standard for ¹H NMR. The corresponding residual non-deuterated solvent signal (CDCl₃; δ = 77.00 ppm) was used as internal standard for ¹³C NMR. IR spectra were measured using a FT/IR spectrometer. Mass spectra were measured with using Q-ToF (ESI-HRMS) machine. Column chromatography was carried out on Silica gel 230-400 mesh (commercial suppliers) and thin-layer chromatography was carried out using SILICA GEL GF-254. Iridium catalyst has prepared based on reported procedure¹ and Silver catalysts are purchased from Alfa a sera.

3-Formyl indole derivatives were prepared by Vilsmeier-Haack reaction according to a literature method.² and sulfonyl azides were synthesized from commercially available reagents.³ Other reagents and solvents were purchased from commercial supplier and used without further purification.

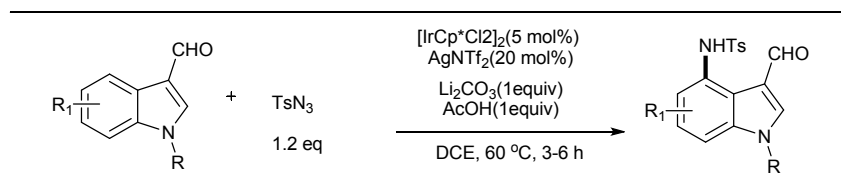
NMR Yield calculation – After work up, 0.5 equiv of terephthaldehyde was added into the round bottom flask containing the combined organic layers from the work up. Either an aliquot from the round bottom flask was taken, evaporated and then submitted for NMR, or the organic layer was completely evaporated and the residue was dissolved in an appropriate amount of solvent to submit for NMR.

¹ C. White, A. Yates, P. M. Maitlis and D. M. Heinekey, (1992) (η^5 -Pentamethylcyclopentadienyl)Rhodium and -Iridium Compounds, in *Inorganic Syntheses*, Volume 29 (ed R. N. Grimes), John Wiley & Sons, Inc., Hoboken, NJ, USA. doi: 10.1002/9780470132609.ch53.

² Bioorg. Med. Chem. Lett. 2005, **15**, 5039.

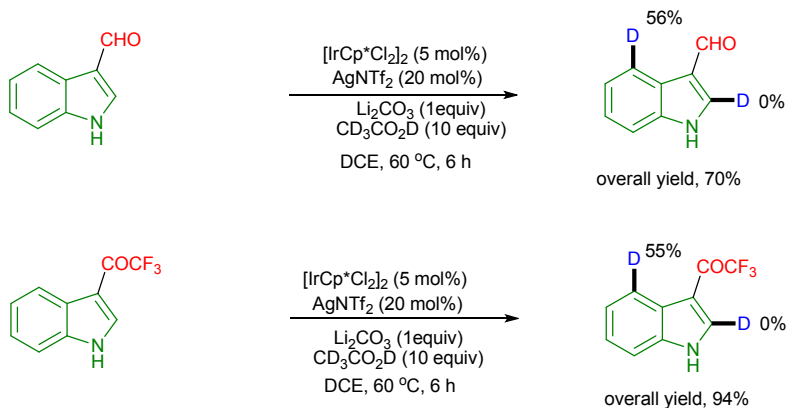
³ J. Kim, J. Kim, S. Chang, *Chem.-Eur. J.*, 2013, **19**, 7328.

1. Typical experimental procedure for C4-amidation.



To a pre-dried 8mL screw cap vial was added indole-3-carbaldehyde derivative (**1**, 0.3 mmol, 1 equiv), tosyl azide derivative (**2**, 0.36 mmol, 1.2equiv), $[\text{IrCp}^*\text{Cl}_2]_2$ (5 mol %), AgNTf_2 (20 mol %) Li_2CO_3 (1 equiv) and AcOH (1 equiv) in open atmosphere in dichloroethane (2 mL). Then, the reaction mixture was stirred at 60°C for 3-6 h (monitored by TLC). After the completion of the reaction, the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature, and diluted with 50% EtOAc/hexane (5 mL), passed through a short silica gel (100-200 mesh size) bed, and washed with 50% EtOAc/ hexane (20 mL x 3 times). The combined organic layer was concentrated under reduced pressure and the crude product was purified on a silica gel column using EtOAc/hexane mixture.

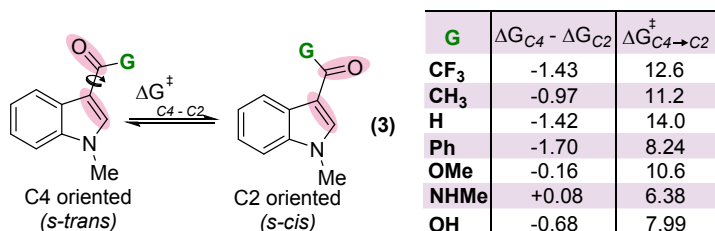
2. Deuterium incorporation studies:



To a pre-dried 8mL screw cap vial was added 1H-indole-3-carbaldehyde(**1a**)/ 2,2,2-trifluoro-1-(1H-indol-3-yl)ethanone(**4a**)(0.2mmol, 1 equiv), $[\text{IrCp}^*\text{Cl}_2]_2$ (5mol %), AgNTf_2 (20mol %), Li_2CO_3 (1 equiv) and $\text{CD}_3\text{CO}_2\text{D}$ (2 mmol,10 equiv) and dichloroethane (2 mL). The vial was placed in a pre-heated (60 °C) metal block. After 6h, the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature, and diluted with diethyl ether and passed through a short silica gel (100-200 mesh size) bed, and repeatedly washed with diethyl ether (20 mL x 3 times). The combined organic layers were concentrated under reduced pressure and the crude product was submitted for NMR.

*Preliminary DFT studies towards identification of probable reasons for regioselectivity*⁴

1. Preferred orientation of the directing group

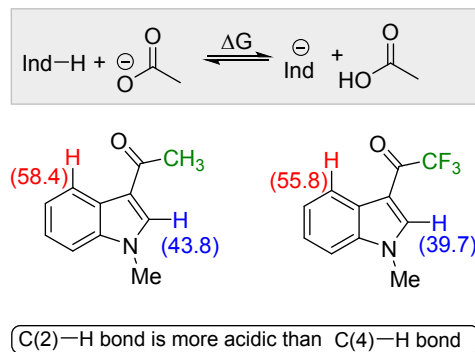


⁴ V. Lanke, K. R. Bettadapur, K. R. Prabhu, *Org. Lett.*, 2016, **18**, 5496

2. *Acidity of proton for C-H activation:*

Brønsted acidity of the C–H bond

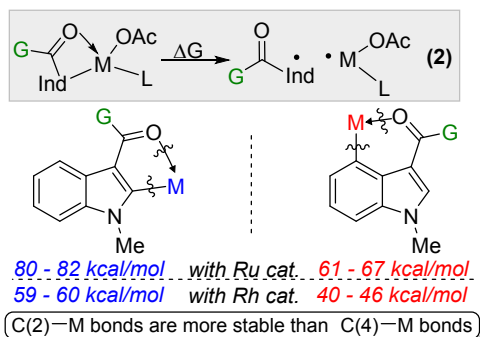
Theoretically determined pK_a values (in parentheses)



3. *Strength of metallacycle:* Done with Ru(II) and Rh(III), expect same results with Iridium

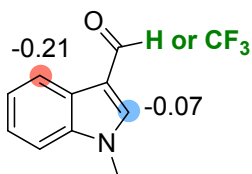
Strength of the forming C–Metal bond

Theoretically determined BDE values (kcal/mol)



4. *Partial charge calculations on various positions of indole*

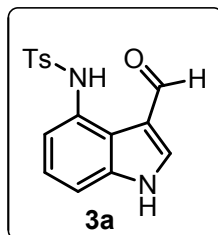
Partial charges on vicinal carbons



Since, no result is a clear cut support for C4 functionalization vs C2 functionalization, further work is needed and is currently ongoing in our laboratory.

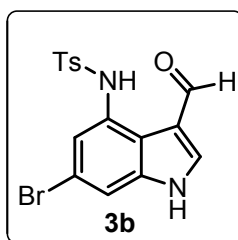
Characterization data for the products

1. N-(3-formyl-1H-indol-4-yl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (3a)



Prepared according to the general procedure. Crude reaction mixture was purified on flash column using silica (230-400) with a suitable eluent (Hexane/EtOAc, 6:4) to obtain the product as a yellow solid, **Yield** - 86 mg, (90%); **R_f** (40% EtOAc/Hexane) 0.3; **IR** (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3266, 1620, 1141; **mp**: 205 - 208 °C; **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) ppm 2.25 (s, 3 H) 7.11 - 7.21 (m, 2 H) 7.25 (d, *J*=7.33 Hz, 3 H) 7.62 (d, *J*=8.34 Hz, 2 H) 8.40 (d, *J*=3.03 Hz, 1 H) 9.61 (s, 1 H) 11.53 (s, 1 H) 12.48 (br. s., 1 H), **¹³C NMR** (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) ppm 20.84, 108.23, 110.09, 115.79, 117.81, 125.04, 126.69, 129.63, 131.45, 136.36, 138.72, 142.19, 143.42, 186.78. **HRESI-MS**(*m/z*)—Calculated for C₁₆H₁₄N₂O₃SNa (M+Na): 337.0623, found (M+Na) 337.0628

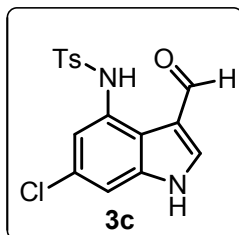
2. N-(6-bromo-3-formyl-1H-indol-4-yl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (3b)



Prepared according to the general procedure. Crude reaction mixture was purified on flash column using silica (230-400) with a suitable eluent (Hexane/EtOAc, 6:4) to obtain the product as a yellow solid, **Yield** - 108 mg, (92%); **R_f** (40% EtOAc/Hexane) 0.3; **IR** (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3126, 1635, 1193; **mp**: 260 - 262 °C; **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) ppm 2.27 (s, 3 H) 7.24 - 7.38 (m, 4 H) 7.64 (d, *J*=8.24 Hz, 2 H) 8.43 (d, *J*=3.05 Hz, 1 H) 9.62 (s, 1 H) 11.67 (s, 1 H) 12.56 (br. s., 1 H); **¹³C NMR** (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) ppm 20.90, 110.89, 112.48, 114.90, 117.14, 117.83

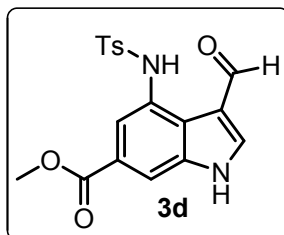
,126.64 ,129.89 ,132.58 ,135.98 ,139.25 ,142.84 ,143.90 ,187.23; **HRESI-MS**(*m/z*)–Calculated for C₁₆H₁₃BrN₂O₃SNa (M+Na): 414.9728, found (M+Na) 414.9729

3. N-(6-chloro-3-formyl-1H-indol-4-yl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (3c)



Prepared according to the general procedure. Crude reaction mixture was purified on flash column using silica (230-400) with a suitable eluent (Hexane/EtOAc, 6:4) to obtain the product as a yellow solid, **Yield** - 88 mg, (84%); **R_f** (40% EtOAc/Hexane) 0.3; **IR** (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3221, 1712, 1127; **mp**: 255 - 258 °C **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) ppm 2.22 (s, 3 H) 7.12 - 7.33 (m, 4 H) 7.57 (d, *J*=8.10 Hz, 2 H) 8.24 (d, *J*=3.2 Hz, 1 H) 9.60 (s, 1 H) 11.71 (s, 1 H) 12.49 (br. s., 1 H); **¹³C NMR** (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) ppm 20.85 ,110.56 ,111.98 ,115.10 ,117.62 ,117.75 ,126.00 ,129.23 ,132.62 ,136.07 ,140.15 ,142.47 ,144.07 ,187.92; **HRESI-MS**(*m/z*)–Calculated for C₁₆H₁₃ClN₂O₃SNa (M+Na): 371.0233, found (M+Na) 371.0235

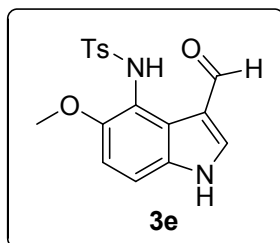
4. Methyl 3-formyl-4-((4-methylphenyl)sulfonamido)-1H-indole-6-carboxylate (3d)



Prepared according to the general procedure. Crude reaction mixture was purified on flash column using silica (230-400) with a suitable eluent (Hexane/EtOAc, 5:5) to obtain the product as a yellow solid, **Yield** - 86 mg, (77%); **R_f** (50% EtOAc/Hexane) 0.2; **IR** (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3190, 1620, 1141; **mp**: 253 - 255 °C; **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) ppm 2.23 (s, 3 H) 3.87 (s, 3 H) 7.26 (m, *J*=8.08 Hz, 2 H) 7.61 (m, *J*=8.08 Hz, 2 H) 7.78 (d, *J*=1.26 Hz, 1 H) 7.88 (d, *J*=1.26 Hz, 1 H) 8.58 (d, *J*=3.03 Hz, 1 H) 9.67 (s, 1 H) 11.55 (s, 1 H) 12.77 (br. s., 1 H); **¹³C NMR** (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) ppm 20.86 ,52.34 ,110.09 ,110.25 ,117.74 ,119.35 ,126.18 ,126.65 ,129.78

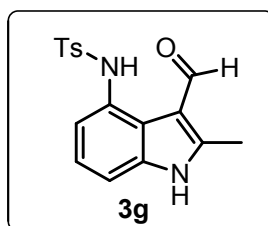
,131.45 ,136.09 ,138.08 ,143.71 ,144.30 ,166.07 ,187.36.; **HRESI-MS**(*m/z*)–Calculated for $C_{18}H_{16}N_2O_5SNa$ (*M*+*Na*): 395.0678, found (*M*+*Na*) 395.0679

5. N-(3-formyl-5-methoxy-1H-indol-4-yl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (3e)



Prepared according to the general procedure. Crude reaction mixture was purified on flash column using silica (230-400) with a suitable eluent (Hexane/EtOAc, 5:5) to obtain the product as a yellow solid, **Yield** - 53 mg, (48%); **R_f** (50% EtOAc/Hexane) 0.2; **IR** (KBr, cm^{-1}): 3214, 1625, 1209; **mp**: 232 - 234 °C; **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) ppm 2.26 (s, 3 H) 3.38 (s, 3 H) 6.96 (m, *J*=8.4 Hz, 1 H) 7.30 (d, *J*=8.34 Hz, 3 H) 7.56 (d, *J*=8.04 Hz, 2 H) 8.28 (d, *J*=3.1 Hz, 1 H) 9.90 (s, 1 H) 10.2 (s, 1 H) 12.28 (br. s., 1 H); **¹³C NMR** (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) ppm 21.42, 56.40, 111.23, 111.36, 118.33, 118.86, 122.58, 126.99, 129.28, 133.47, 139.30, 142.70, 149.36, 186.34.; **HRESI-MS**(*m/z*)–Calculated for $C_{17}H_{16}N_2NaO_4S$ (*M*+*Na*): 367.3747, found (*M*+*Na*) 367.3742

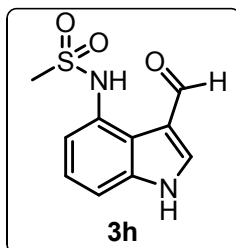
5. N-(3-formyl-2-methyl-1H-indol-4-yl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (3g)



Prepared according to the general procedure. Crude reaction mixture was purified on flash column using silica (230-400) with a suitable eluent (Hexane/EtOAc, 6:4) to obtain the product as a yellow solid, **Yield** - 87 mg, (88%); **R_f** (40% EtOAc/Hexane) 0.2; **IR** (KBr, cm^{-1}): 3310, 1670, 1121; **mp**: 256 - 258 °C; **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) ppm 2.24 (s, 3 H) 2.65 (s, 3 H) 6.99 - 7.04 (m, 1 H) 7.10 (t, *J*=7.96 Hz, 1 H) 7.18 - 7.27 (m, 3 H) 7.62 (d, *J*=8.08 Hz, 2 H) 9.69 (s, 1 H) 11.96 (s, 1 H) 12.37 (br. s., 1 H); **¹³C NMR** (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) ppm 11.64 ,20.85

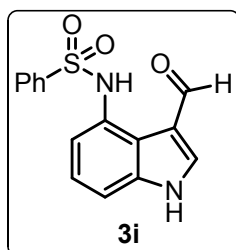
,107.26 ,110.08 ,113.61 ,116.63 ,124.51 ,126.69 ,129.61 ,131.13 ,136.56 ,137.12 ,143.31 ,152.64 ,185.77.; **HRESI-MS**(*m/z*)–Calculated for C₁₇H₁₆N₂O₃SNa (M+Na): 351.0779, found (M+Na) 351.0777.

6. 10. N-(3-formyl-1H-indol-4-yl)methanesulfonamide (3h)



Prepared according to the general procedure. Crude reaction mixture was purified on flash column using silica (230-400) with a suitable eluent (Hexane/EtOAc,6:4) to obtain the product as a light yellow solid, **Yield** - 41mg, (57%); **R_f** (40% EtOAc/Hexane) 0.2; **IR** (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3251, 1617, 1113; **mp**: 175 - 177 °C; **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) ppm 3.02 (s, 3 H) 7.20 - 7.32 (m, 3 H) 8.47 (d, *J*=3.28 Hz, 1 H) 9.65 (s, 1 H) 11.05 (s, 1 H) 12.56 (br. s., 1 H); **¹³C NMR** (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) ppm 39.06 ,108.01 ,109.71 ,115.59 ,118.08 ,125.27 ,132.17 ,138.96 ,142.13 ,186.64.; **HRESI-MS**(*m/z*)–Calculated for C₁₀H₁₀N₂O₃SNa (M+Na): 261.0310, found (M+Na) 261.0308.

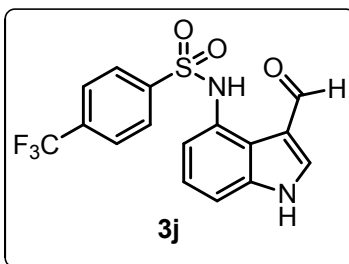
7. N-(3-formyl-1H-indol-4-yl)benzenesulfonamide (3i)



Prepared according to the general procedure. Crude reaction mixture was purified on flash column using silica (230-400) with a suitable eluent (Hexane/EtOAc,6:4) to obtain the product as a yellow solid, **Yield** - 63mg, (70%); **R_f** (40% EtOAc/Hexane) 0.2; **IR** (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3162, 1634, 1155; **mp**: 203 - 205 °C; **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) ppm 7.11 - 7.19 (m, 2 H) 7.24 (d, *J*=7.21 Hz, 1 H) 7.43 (t, *J*=7.21 Hz, 2 H) 7.55 (t, *J*=7.34 Hz, 1H) 7.71 (d, *J*=8.2 Hz, 1H) 8.40 (d,

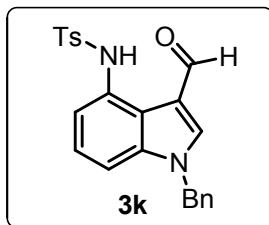
$J=3.03$ Hz, 1 H) 9.60 (s, 1 H) 11.56 (s, 1 H) 12.48 (br. s., 1 H), ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) ppm 108.23, 110.09, 115.79, 117.81, 125.04, 126.69, 129.63, 131.45, 136.36, 138.72, 142.19, 143.42, 186.78. **HRESI-MS**(m/z)—Calculated for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{12}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3\text{SNa}$ (M+Na): 323.0466, found (M+Na) 323.0467.

8. N-(3-formyl-1H-indol-4-yl)-4-(trifluoromethyl)benzenesulfonamide (3j)



Prepared according to the general procedure. Crude reaction mixture was purified on flash column using silica (230-400) with a suitable eluent (Hexane/EtOAc, 6:4) to obtain the product as a light yellow solid, **Yield** - 75mg, (67%); **R_f** (40% EtOAc/Hexane) 0.2; **IR** (KBr, cm^{-1}): 3266, 1674, 1145; **mp**: 209 - 211 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) ppm 7.18 - 7.23 (m, 2 H) 7.27 (dd, $J=6.19, 2.40$ Hz, 1 H) 7.85 (d, $J=8.34$ Hz, 2 H) 7.94 (d, $J=8.34$ Hz, 2 H) 8.42 (d, $J=3.03$ Hz, 1 H) 9.60 (s, 1 H) 11.79 (s, 1 H) 12.54 (br. s., 1 H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) ppm 108.87, 110.52, 116.05, 117.68, 123.23 (d, $J=271\text{Hz}$) 125.16, 126.50, (d, $J=4\text{Hz}$) 127.70, 130.74, 132.72 (d, $J=33\text{Hz}$) 138.78, 142.39, 143.02, 187.00.; **HRESI-MS**(m/z)—Calculated for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{11}\text{F}_3\text{N}_2\text{O}_3\text{SNa}$ (M+Na): 391.0340, found (M+Na) 391.0339

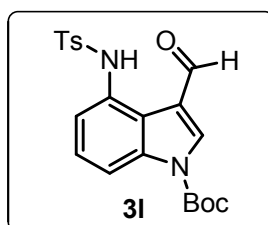
9. N-(1-benzyl-3-formyl-1H-indol-4-yl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (3k)



Prepared according to the general procedure. Crude reaction mixture was purified on flash column using silica (230-400) with a suitable eluent (Hexane/EtOAc, 6:4) to obtain the product as a yellow solid, **Yield** - 100mg, (82%); **R_f** (40% EtOAc/Hexane) 0.4; **IR** (KBr, cm^{-1}): 3217,

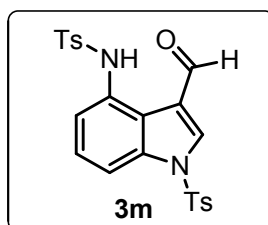
1632, 1181; **mp**: 165 - 167 °C; **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CHLOROFORM-*d*) ppm 2.29 (s, 3 H) 5.27 (s, 2 H) 6.94 (d, *J*=8.24 Hz, 1 H) 7.08 - 7.20 (m, 5 H) 7.31 - 7.37 (m, 3 H) 7.44 (d, *J*=7.93 Hz, 1 H) 7.63 (s, 1 H) 7.73 (d, *J*=7.93 Hz, 2 H) 9.47 (s, 1 H) 11.35 (s, 1 H); **¹³C NMR** (100 MHz, CHLOROFORM-*d*) ppm 21.42 ,51.14 ,105.71 ,111.41 ,116.81 ,118.25 ,125.72 ,127.22 ,127.37 ,128.59 ,129.16 ,129.30 ,132.87 ,134.49 ,137.13 ,139.13 ,141.39 ,143.13 ,185.00.; **HRESI-MS**(*m/z*)—Calculated for C₂₃H₂₀N₂O₃SNa (M+Na): 427.1092, found (M+Na) 427.1090.

10. Tert-butyl 3-formyl-4-((4-methylphenyl)sulfonamido)-1H-indole-1-carboxylate (3l)



Prepared according to the general procedure. Crude reaction mixture was purified on flash column using silica (230-400) with a suitable eluent (Hexane/EtOAc,7:3) to obtain the product as a light brown solid, **Yield** - 84mg, (67%); **R_f** (40% EtOAc/Hexane) 0.4; **IR** (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3174, 1672, 1099; **mp**: 132 - 135 °C; **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CHLOROFORM-*d*) ppm 1.68 (s, 9 H) 2.30 (s, 3 H) 7.12 (m, *J*=7.83 Hz, 2 H) 7.31 (t, *J*=8.21 Hz, 1 H) 7.57 (d, *J*=8.08 Hz, 1 H) 7.70 (m, *J*=8.34 Hz, 2 H) 7.81 (d, *J*=8.34 Hz, 1 H) 8.22 (s, 1 H) 9.68 (s, 1 H) 10.91 (s, 1 H); **¹³C NMR** (100 MHz, CHLOROFORM-*d*) ppm 21.42 ,27.95 ,86.60 ,110.55 ,113.88 ,117.06 ,121.33 ,127.18 ,127.52 ,129.36 ,132.49 ,136.81 ,137.41 ,140.01 ,143.34 ,147.98 ,186.61.; **HRESI-MS**(*m/z*)—Calculated for C₂₁H₂₂N₂O₅SNa (M+Na): 437.1147, found (M+Na) 437.1150.

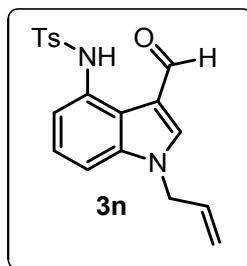
11. N-(3-formyl-1-tosyl-1H-indol-4-yl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (3m)



Prepared according to the general procedure. Crude reaction mixture was purified on flash column using silica (230-400) with a suitable eluent (Hexane/EtOAc,7:3) to obtain the product as

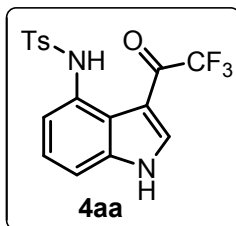
a light brown solid, **Yield** - 90mg, (64%); **R_f** (30% EtOAc/Hexane) 0.3; **IR** (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3214, 1635, 1134; **mp**: 171 - 173 °C; **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CHLOROFORM-*d*) ppm 2.30 (s, 3 H) 2.38 (s, 3 H) 7.12 (m, *J*=8.34 Hz, 2 H) 7.30 (d, *J*=8.59 Hz, 3 H) 7.55 (d, *J*=8.34 Hz, 1 H) 7.52 (d, *J*=8.08 Hz, 1 H) 7.69 (m, *J*=8.08 Hz, 2 H) 7.82 (d, *J*=8.34 Hz, 2 H) 8.25 (s, 1 H) 9.70 (s, 1 H) 10.84 (s, 1 H); **¹³C NMR** (100 MHz, CHLOROFORM-*d*) ppm 21.42 ,21.66 ,108.27 ,113.70 ,117.10 ,122.04 ,127.17 ,127.39 ,127.74 ,129.42 ,130.44 ,132.96 ,133.54 ,136.49 ,136.68 ,139.47 ,143.54 ,146.72 ,186.40.; **HRESI-MS**(*m/z*)—Calculated for C₂₃H₂₀N₂O₅S₂Na (M+Na): 491.0711, found (M+Na) 491.0712.

12. N-(1-allyl-3-formyl-1H-indol-4-yl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (3n)



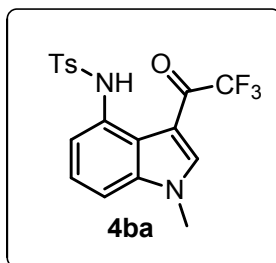
Prepared according to the general procedure. Crude reaction mixture was purified on flash column using silica (230-400) with a suitable eluent (Hexane/EtOAc,7:3) to obtain the product as a light brown solid, **Yield** - 36mg, (34%); **R_f** (30% EtOAc/Hexane) 0.3; **IR** (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3194, 1671, 1177; **mp**: 140 - 143 °C; **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CHLOROFORM-*d*) ppm 2.29 (s, 3 H) 5.16 (dd, *J*=16.93, 0.76 Hz, 1 H) 5.33 (dd, *J*=10.36, 0.76 Hz, 1 H) 5.91 - 6.02 (m, 1 H) 6.96 (d, *J*=8.34 Hz, 1 H) 7.13 (d, *J*=8.34 Hz, 2 H) 7.21 (t, *J*=8.08 Hz, 1 H) 7.46 (d, *J*=7.83 Hz, 1 H) 7.68 (s, 1 H) 7.75 (d, *J*=8.08 Hz, 2 H) 9.52 (s, 1 H) 11.34 (s, 1 H); **¹³C NMR** (100 MHz, CHLOROFORM-*d*) ppm 21.43 ,49.74 ,105.59 ,111.46 ,116.79 ,118.21 ,119.67 ,125.66 ,127.25 ,129.31 ,130.99,138.95 ,141.09 ,143.11 ,184.94.; **HRESI-MS**(*m/z*)—Calculated for C₁₉H₁₈N₂O₃SNa (M+Na): 377.0936, found (M+Na) 377.0933.

13. 4-methyl-N-(3-(2,2,2-trifluoroacetyl)-1H-indol-4-yl)benzenesulfonamide (4aa)



Prepared according to the general procedure. Crude reaction mixture was purified on flash column using silica (230-400) with a suitable eluent (Hexane/EtOAc,6:4) to obtain the product as a light brown solid, **Yield** - 69mg, (60%); **R_f** (40% EtOAc/Hexane) 0.3; **IR** (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3184, 1677, 1191; **mp**: 215 - 218 °C; **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) ppm 2.25 (s, 3 H) 7.19 - 7.36 (m, 5 H) 7.55 (d, *J*=8.24 Hz, 2 H) 8.56 (d, *J*=1.53 Hz, 1 H) 10.86 (s, 1 H) 13.09 (br. s., 1 H); **¹³C NMR** (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) ppm 20.84 ,109.02 ,109.36 ,113.14 ,115.99 ,117.87 (d, *J*= 200 MHz),125.98 ,126.75 ,129.60 ,131.34 ,135.88 ,138.61 ,141.13 ,143.66 ,175.19 (d, *J*= 34 MHz).; **HRESI-MS**(*m/z*)–Calculated for C₁₇H₁₃F₃N₂O₃SNa (M+Na): 405.0497, found (M+Na) 405.0500.

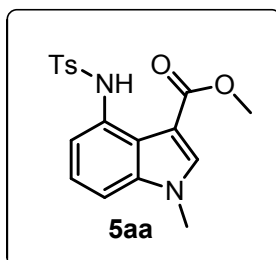
14. 4-methyl-N-(1-methyl-3-(2,2,2-trifluoroacetyl)-1H-indol-4-yl)benzenesulfonamide (4ba)



Prepared according to the general procedure. Crude reaction mixture was purified on flash column using silica (230-400) with a suitable eluent (Hexane/EtOAc,7:3) to obtain the product as a light yellow solid, **Yield** - 47mg, (40%); **R_f** (40% EtOAc/Hexane) 0.4; **IR** (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3196, 1680, 1133; **mp**: 161 - 163 °C; **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) ppm 2.24 (s, 3 H) 3.88 (s, 3 H) 7.23 (m, *J*=7.83 Hz, 2 H) 7.31 - 7.41 (m, 3 H) 7.57 (m, *J*=8.08 Hz, 2 H) 8.64 (s, 1 H) 10.99 (s, 1 H); **¹³C NMR** (101 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) ppm 20.89 ,34.23 ,107.85 ,113.29 ,118.85-115.98 (m) ,125.66 ,126.08 ,126.81 ,129.71 ,131.52 ,135.89 ,139.36 ,143.79 ,144.48 (d, *J*= 4 MHz), 174.64

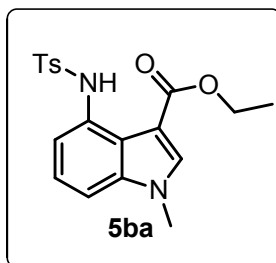
(d, $J = 34$ MHz).; **HRESI-MS**(m/z)—Calculated for $C_{18}H_{15}F_3N_2O_3SNa$ ($M+Na$): 419.0653, found ($M+Na$) 419.0655.

15. Methyl 1-methyl-4-((4-methylphenyl)sulfonamido)-1H-indole-3-carboxylate (5aa)



Prepared according to the general procedure. Crude reaction mixture was purified on flash column using silica (230-400) with a suitable eluent (Hexane/EtOAc, 7:3) to obtain the product as a brown solid, **Yield** - 70mg, (65%); **R_f** (40% EtOAc/Hexane) 0.4; **IR** (KBr, cm^{-1}): 3211, 1735, 1152; **mp**: 160 - 163 °C; **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CHLOROFORM-*d*) ppm 2.30 (s, 3 H) 3.74 (s, 3 H) 3.91 (s, 3 H) 6.96 (d, $J=8.34$ Hz, 1 H) 7.10 - 7.21 (m, 3 H) 7.40 (d, $J=8.08$ Hz, 1 H) 7.68 (s, 1 H) 7.77 (d, $J=8.34$ Hz, 2 H) 11.63 (s, 1 H); **¹³C NMR** (100 MHz, CHLOROFORM-*d*) ppm 21.43 ,33.68 ,52.13 ,105.22 ,105.56 ,110.72 ,117.20 ,124.24 ,127.30 ,129.26 ,131.93 ,136.11 ,137.16 ,138.58 ,143.02 ,167.24 .; **HRESI-MS**(m/z)—Calculated for $C_{18}H_{18}N_2O_4SNa$ ($M+Na$): 381.0885, found ($M+Na$) 381.0691.

16. Ethyl 1-methyl-4-((4-methylphenyl)sulfonamido)-1H-indole-3-carboxylate (5ba)



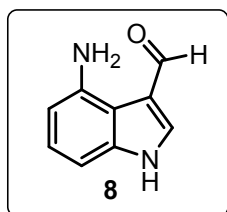
Prepared according to the general procedure. Crude reaction mixture was purified on flash column using silica (230-400) with a suitable eluent (Hexane/EtOAc, 7:3) to obtain the product as a brown solid, **Yield** - 77mg, (69%); **R_f** (40% EtOAc/Hexane) 0.4; **IR** (KBr, cm^{-1}): 3219, 1715, 1141; **mp**: 164 - 166 °C; **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CHLOROFORM-*d*) ppm 1.39 (t, $J=7.07$ Hz, 3 H) 2.29 (s, 3 H) 3.72 (s, 3 H) 4.38 (q, $J=7.07$ Hz, 2 H) 6.95 (d, $J=8.34$ Hz, 1 H) 7.08 - 7.18 (m, 3

H) 7.40 (d, $J=7.83$ Hz, 1 H) 7.69 (s, 1 H) 7.75 (d, $J=8.08$ Hz, 2 H) 11.70 (s, 1 H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CHLOROFORM- d) ppm 14.37 ,21.37 ,33.59 ,60.94 ,105.28 ,110.71 ,117.24 ,124.06 ,126.34 ,127.21 ,129.21 ,131.78 ,136.13 ,137.07 ,138.52 ,142.98 ,166.84.; **HRESI-MS**(m/z)–Calculated for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4\text{SNa}$ (M+Na): 395.1041, found (M+Na) 395.1042.

Experimental section for deprotection of tosyl group

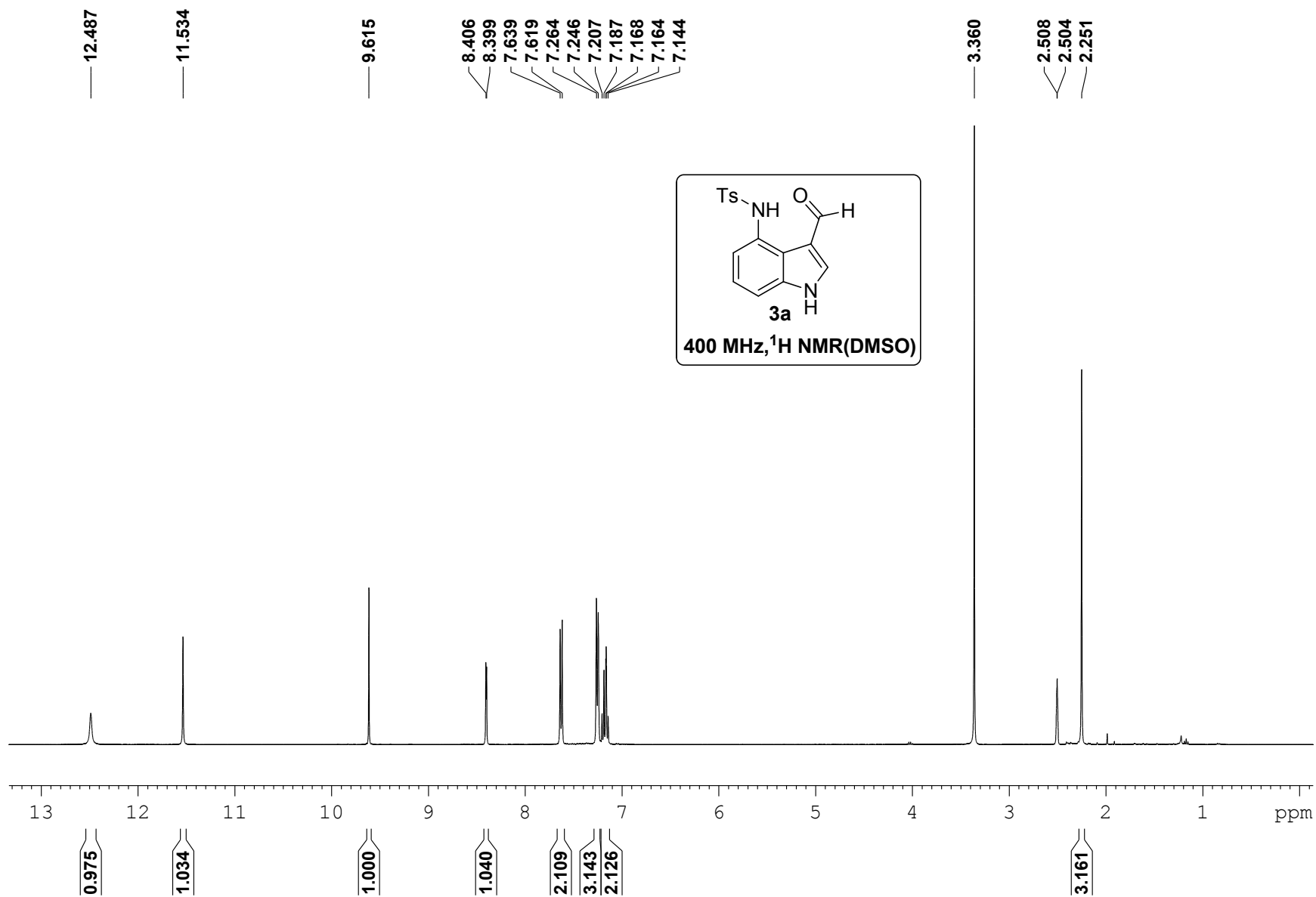
The C4-amidated product, **3aa** (0.5 mmol) was added to the cold conc H_2SO_4 (1 mL) at 0 °C. The mixture was stirred at rt for 2 h. Upon completion, the reaction mixture was quenched with NaHCO_3 solution and the resulting mixture was extracted with EtOAc(3 x 20mL). The organic layers were collected, dried over Na_2SO_4 , and concentrated in vacuum to give 4-amino-1H-indole-3-carbaldehyde as a 52% yield.

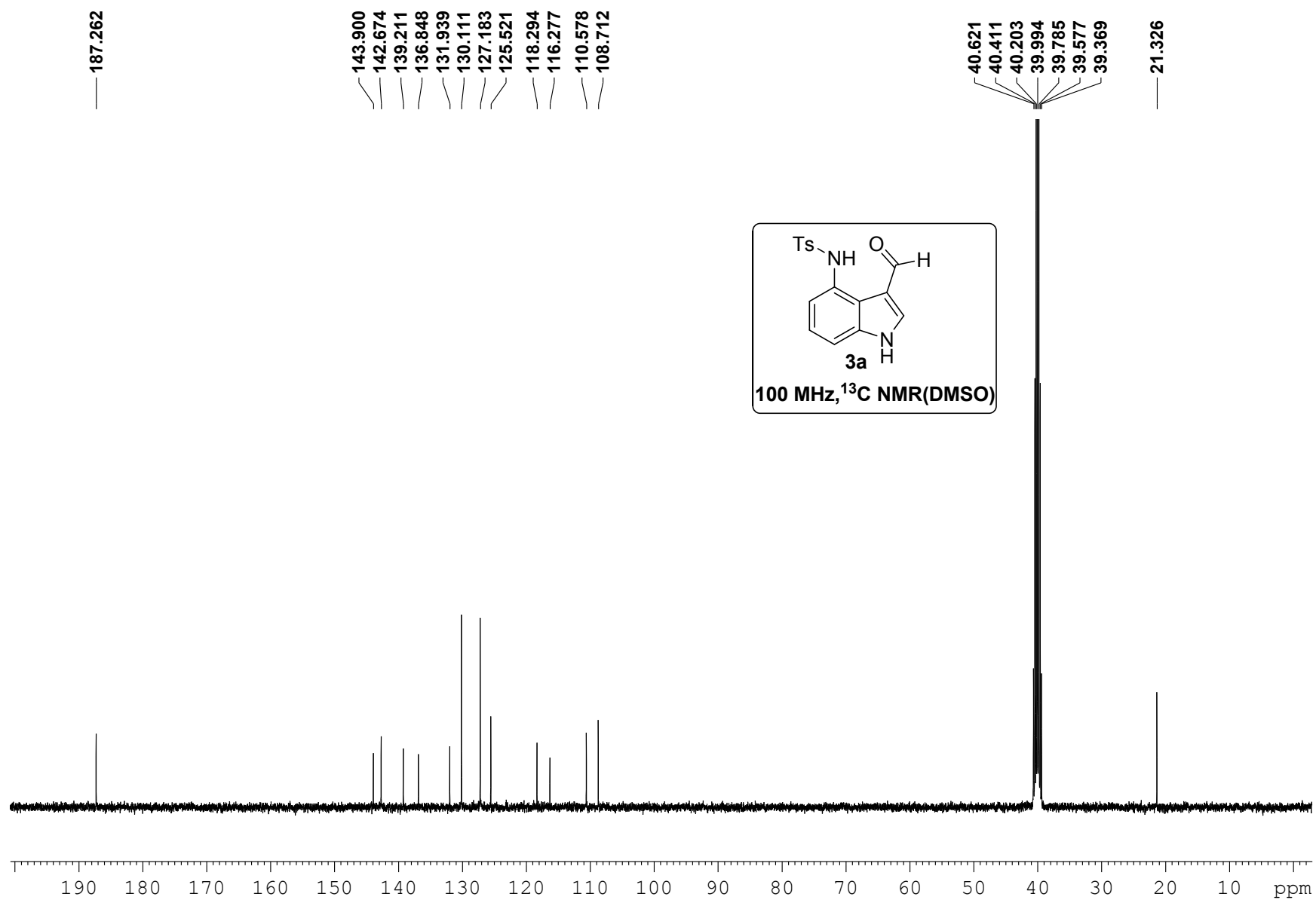
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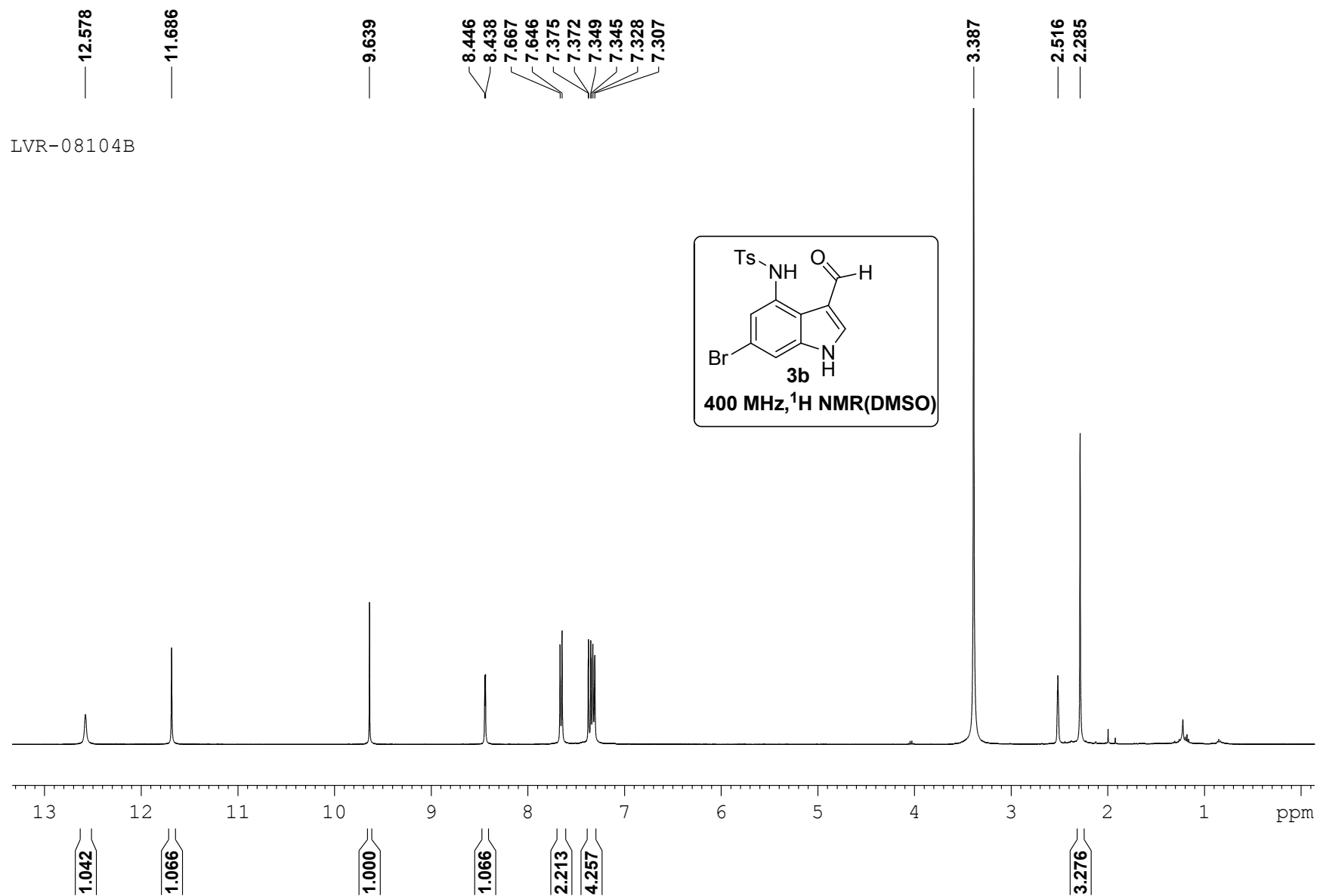


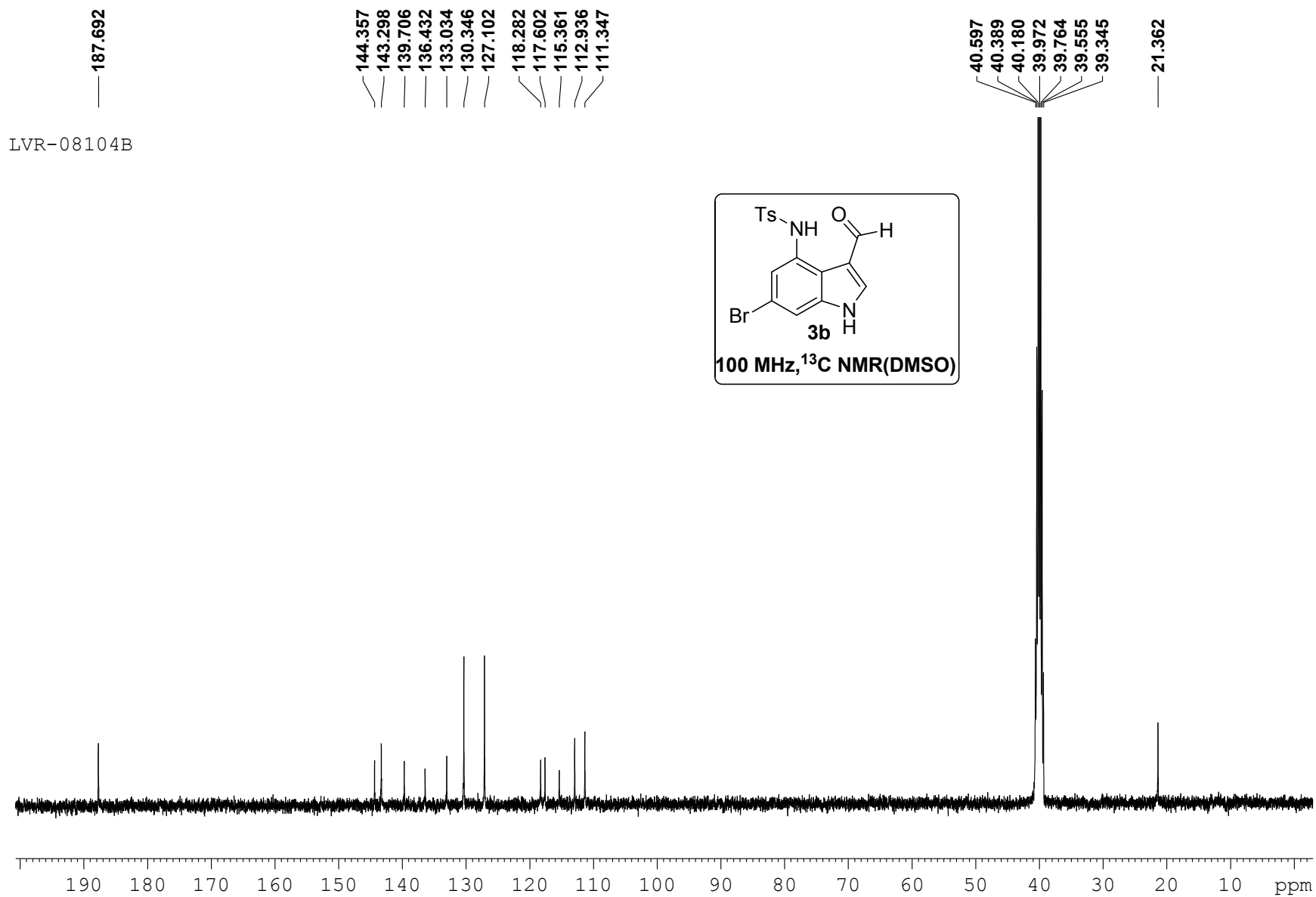
Yield - 42mg, (52%); **R_f** (40% EtOAc/Hexane) 0.3; **IR** (KBr, cm^{-1}): 3302, 1732, 1209;

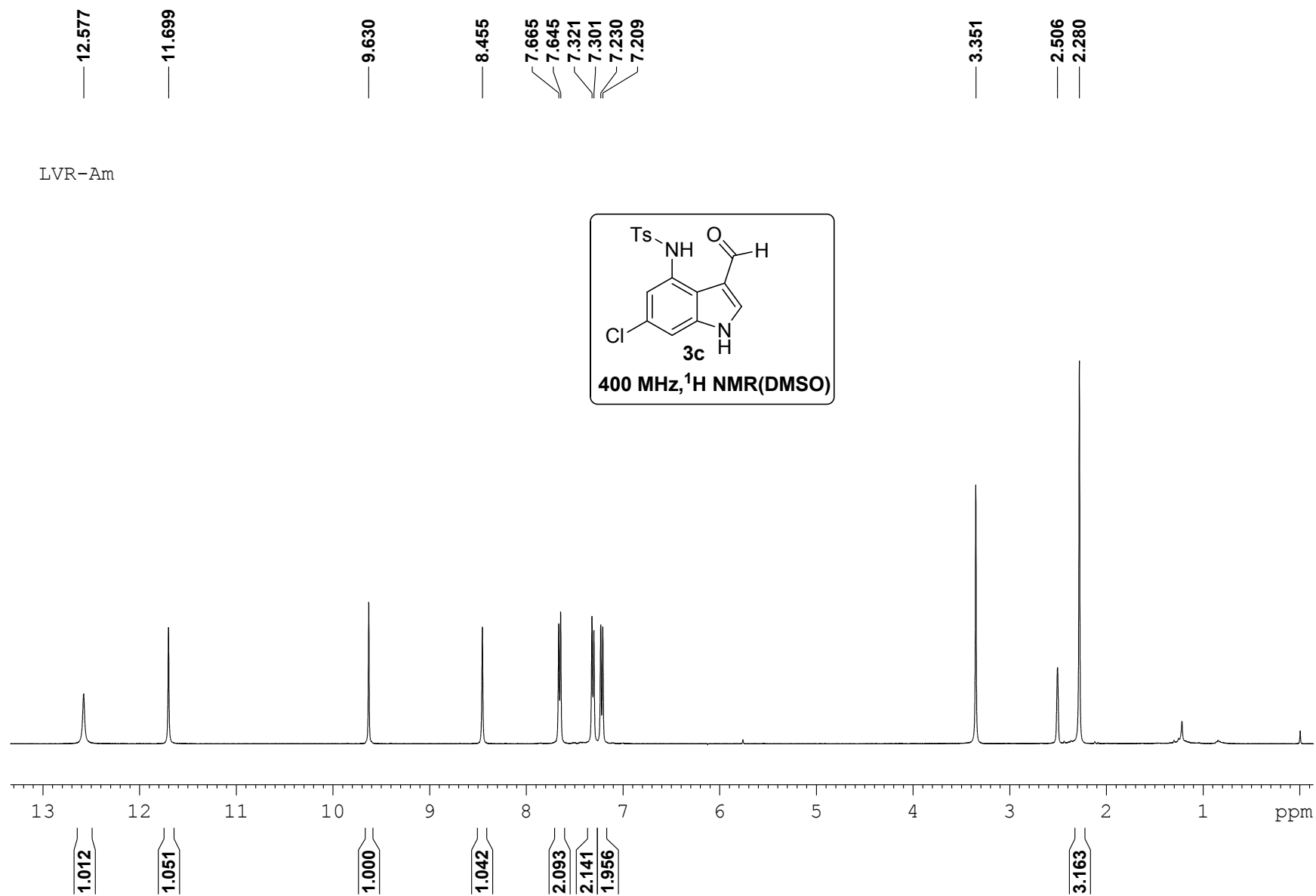
^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) ppm 6.25 (br. s., 2 H) 6.26 - 6.30 (m, 1 H) 6.55 - 6.62 (m, 1 H) 6.92 (t, $J=7.83$ Hz, 1 H) 8.14 (d, $J=3.28$ Hz, 1 H) 9.58 (s, 1 H) 11.98 (br. s., 1 H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) ppm 99.45 ,105.04 ,111.84 ,119.79 ,125.41 ,139.36 ,140.08 ,143.10 ,184.82 (s, 1 C).; **HRESI-MS**(m/z)–Calculated for $\text{C}_9\text{H}_8\text{N}_2\text{ONa}$ (M+Na): 183.0534, found (M+Na) 183.0537.



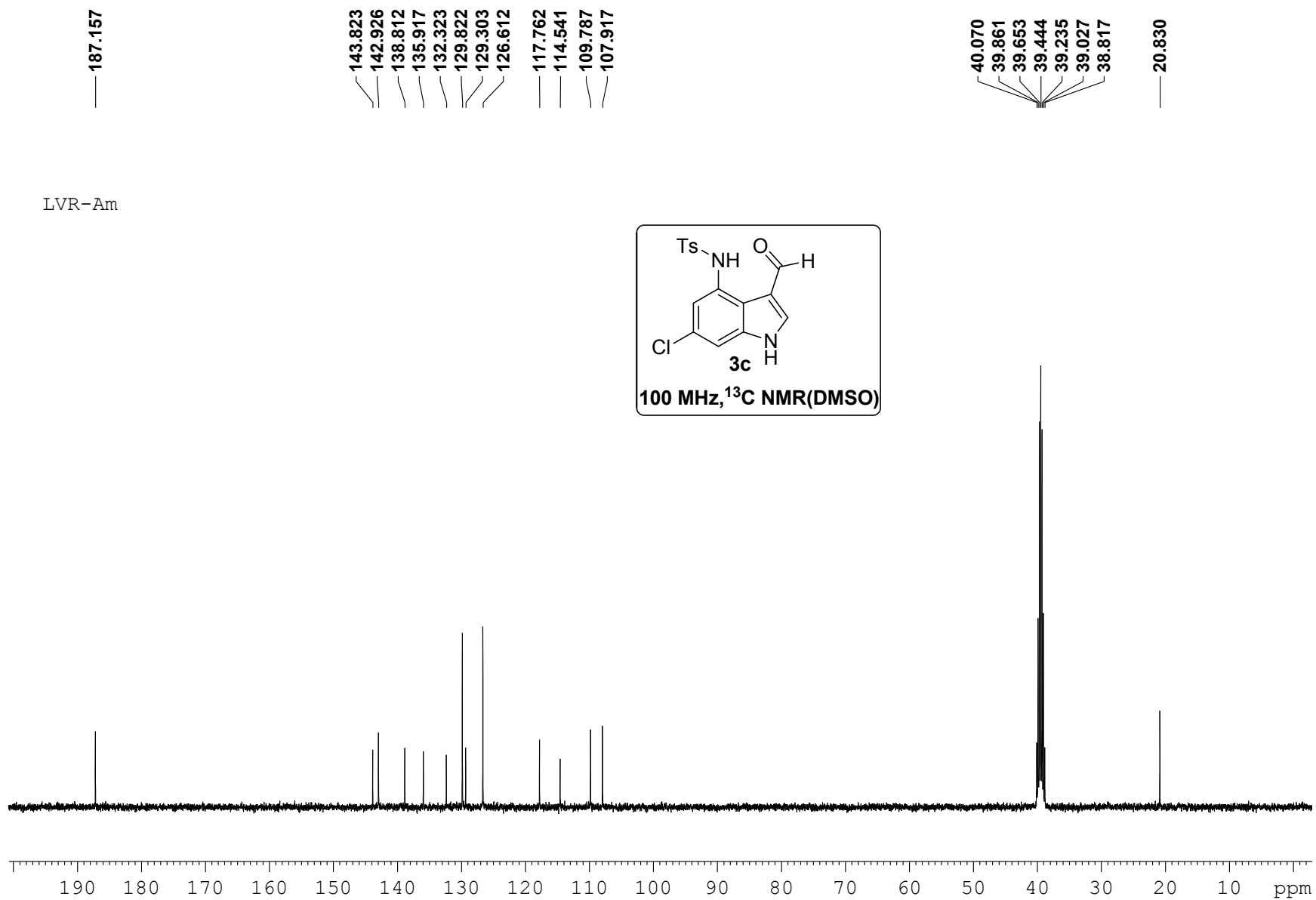


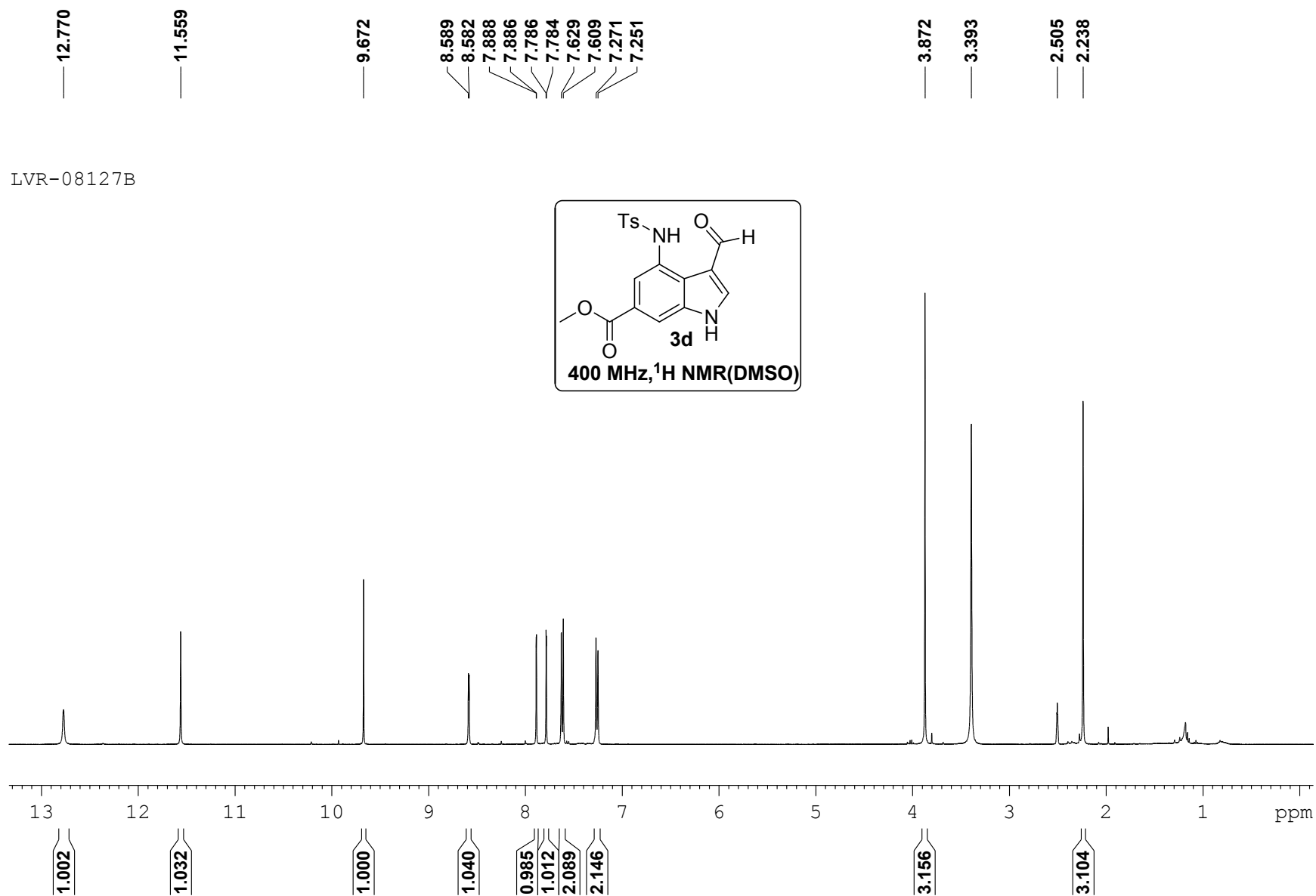


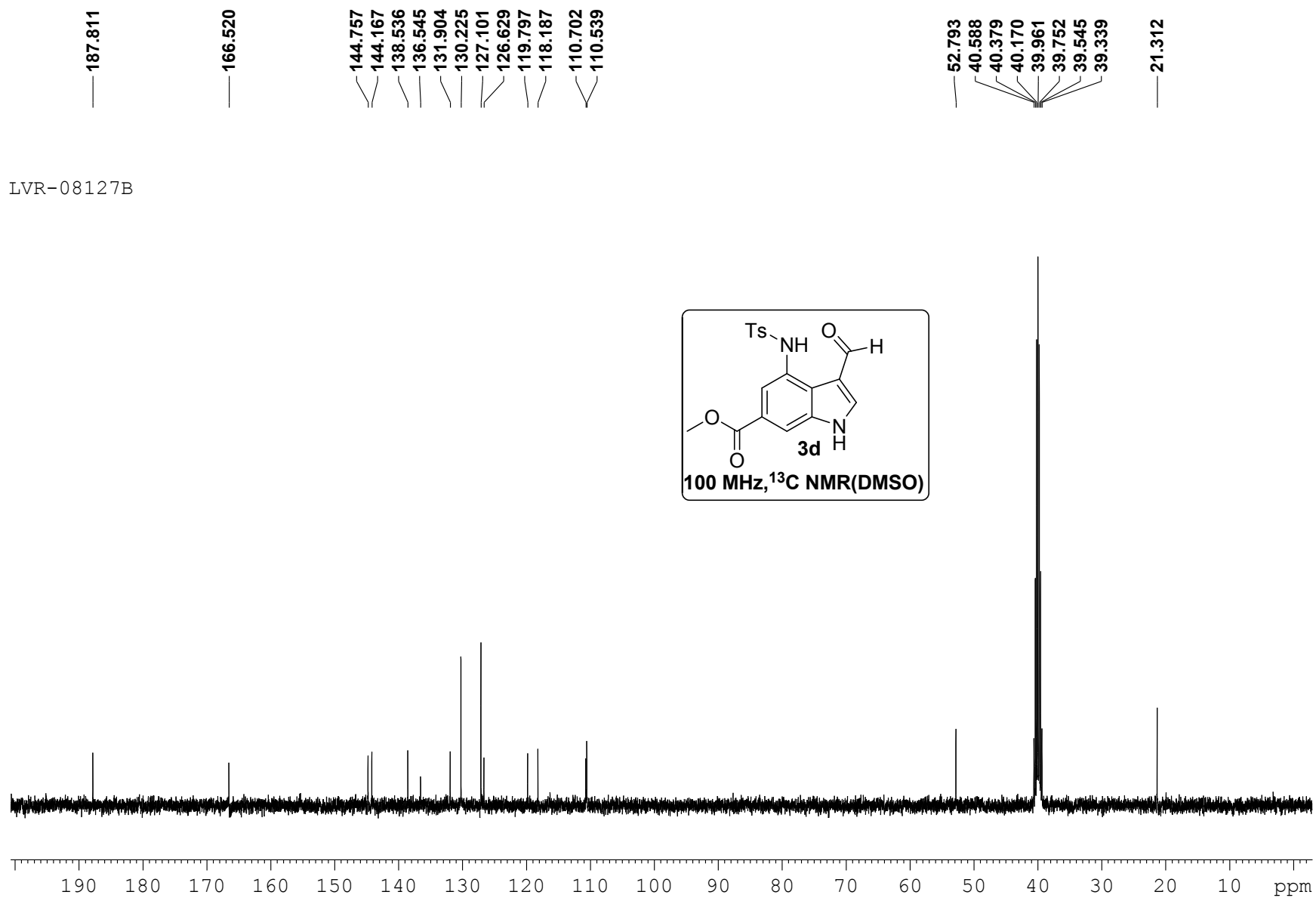


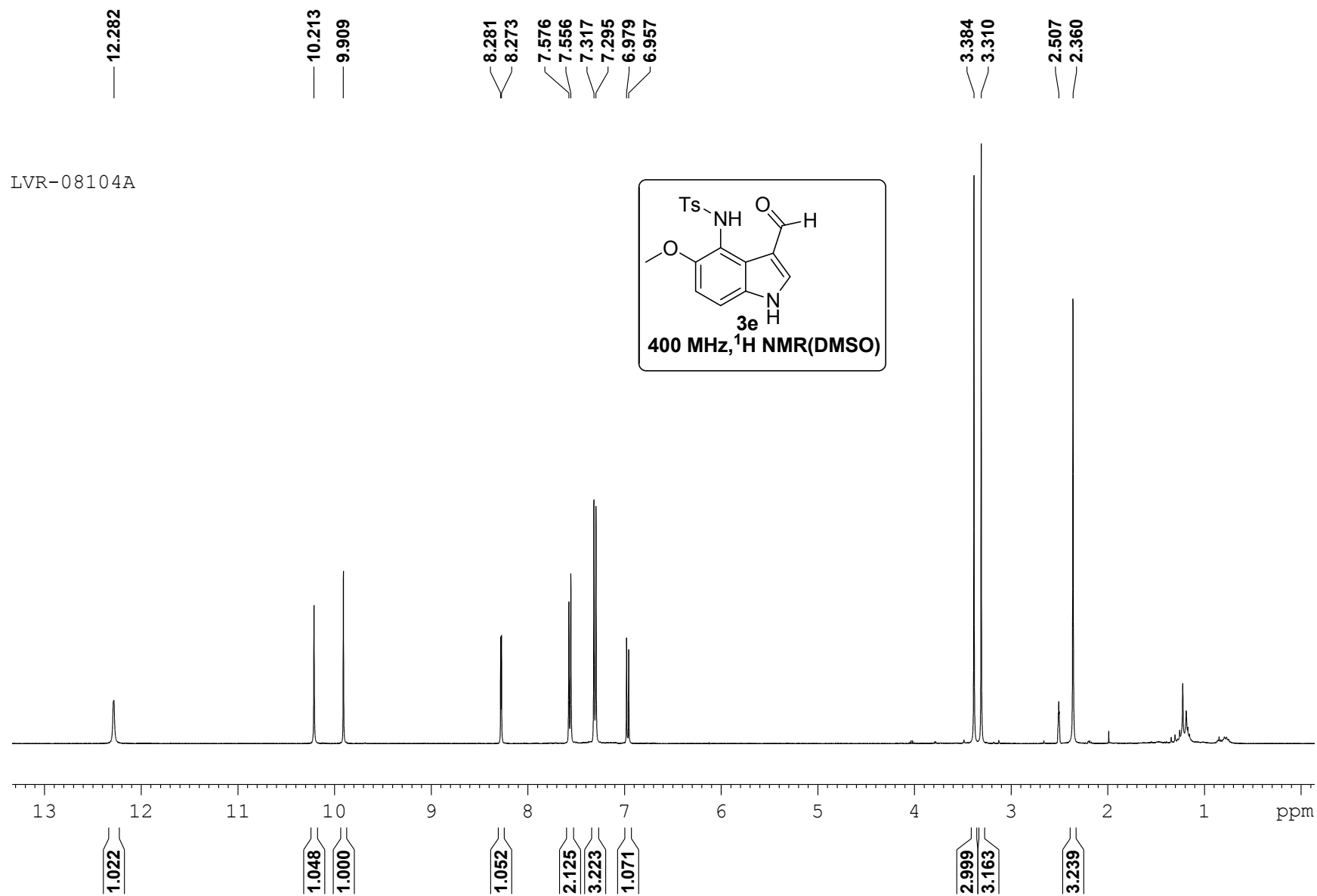


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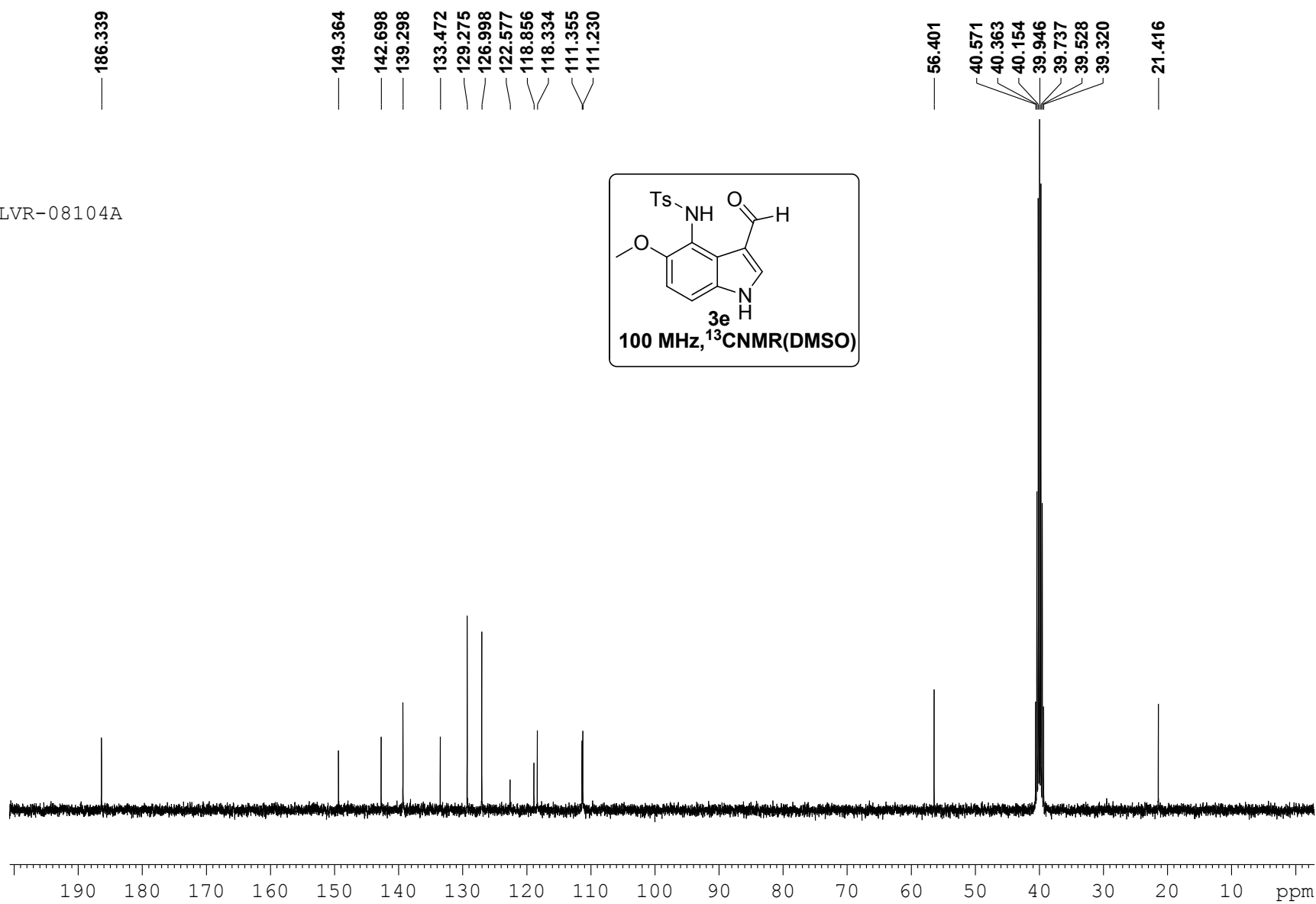


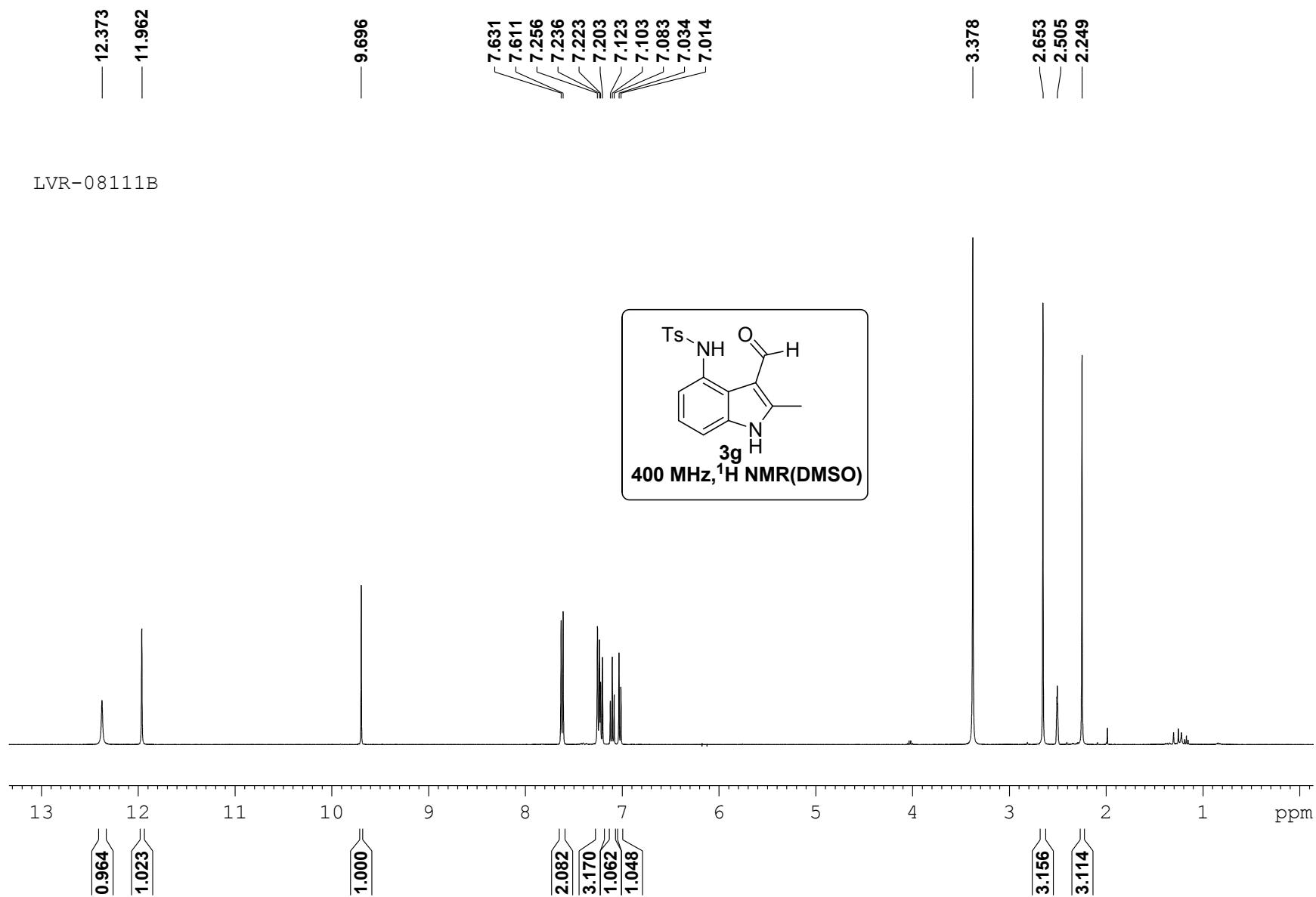


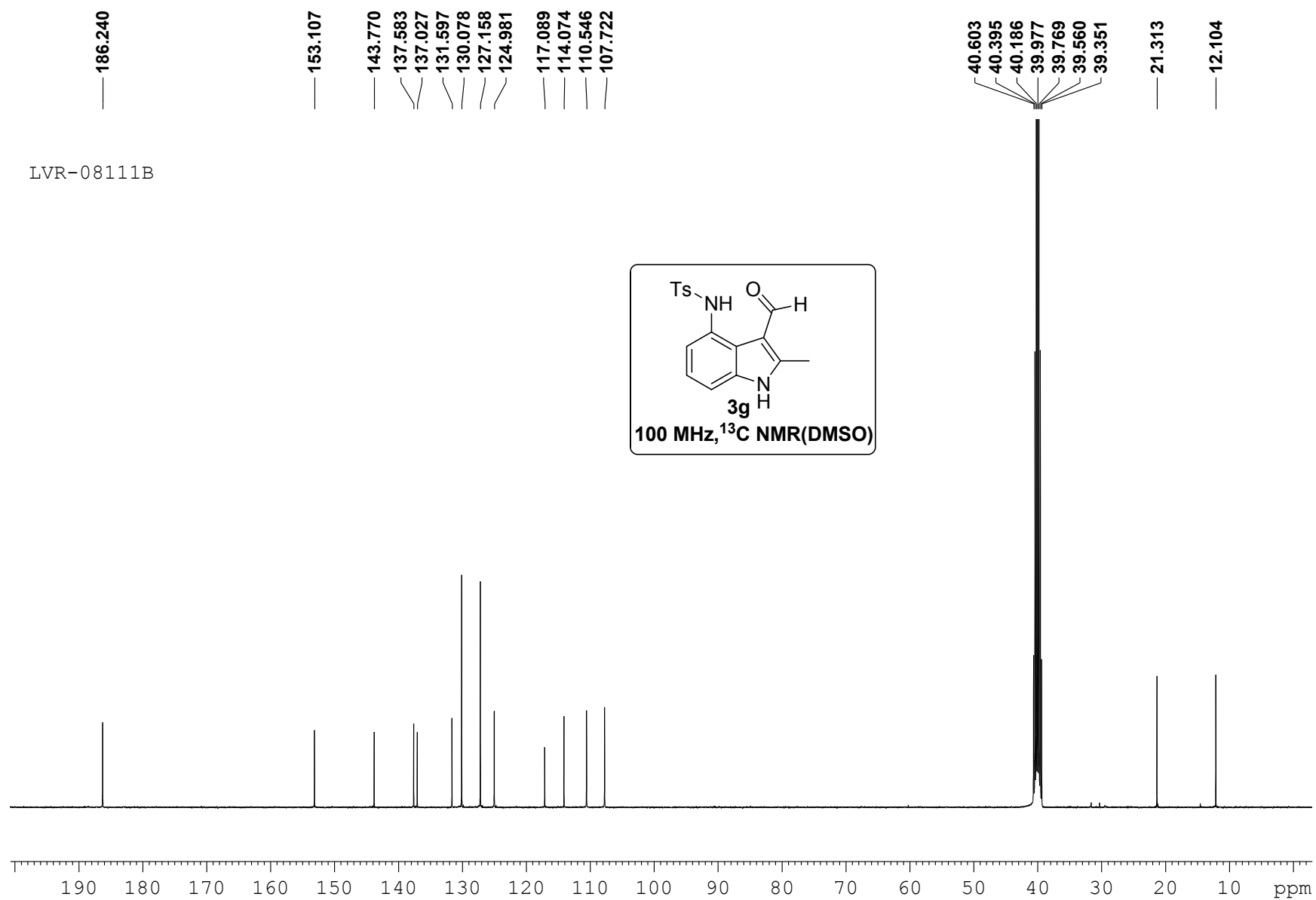


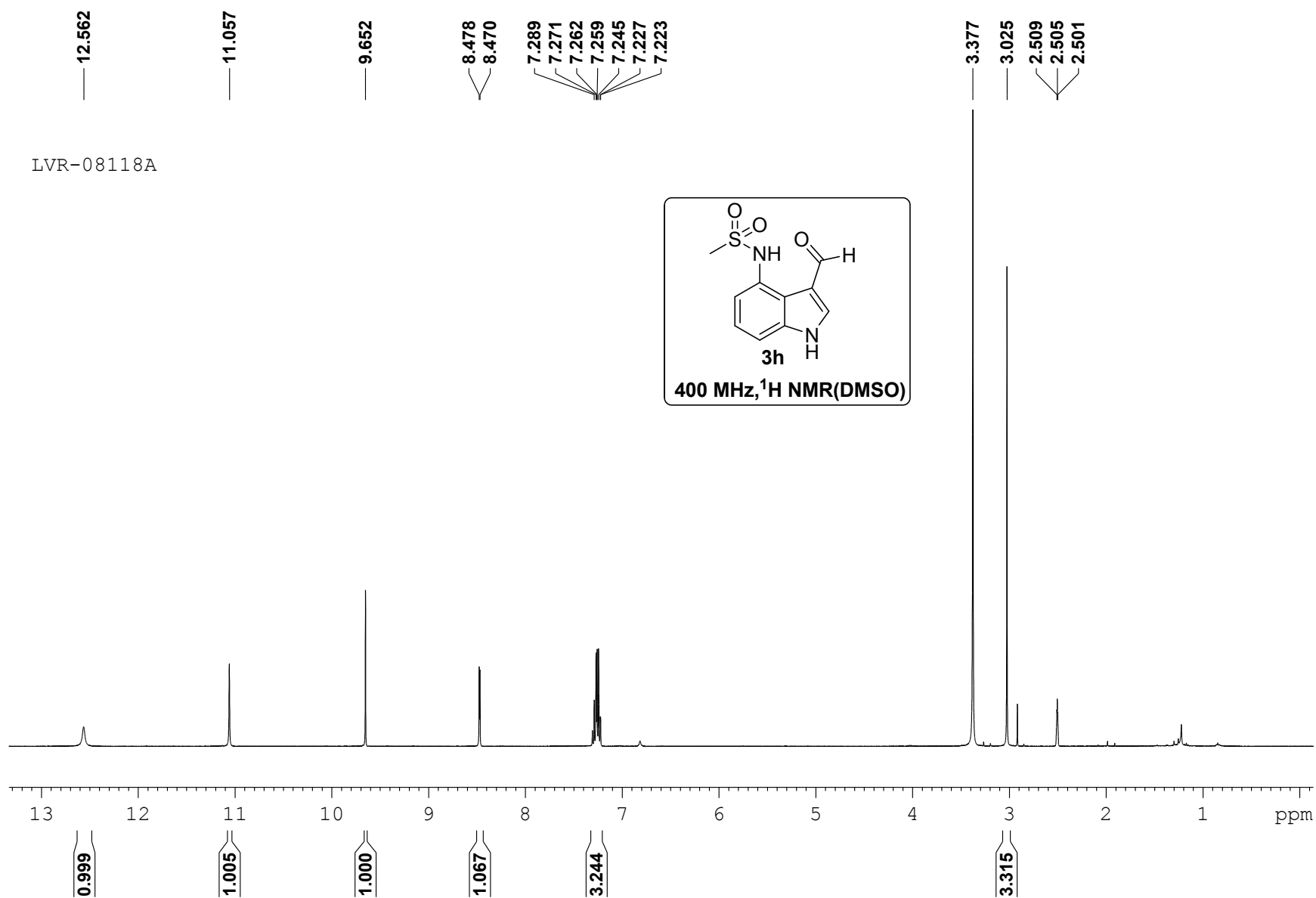


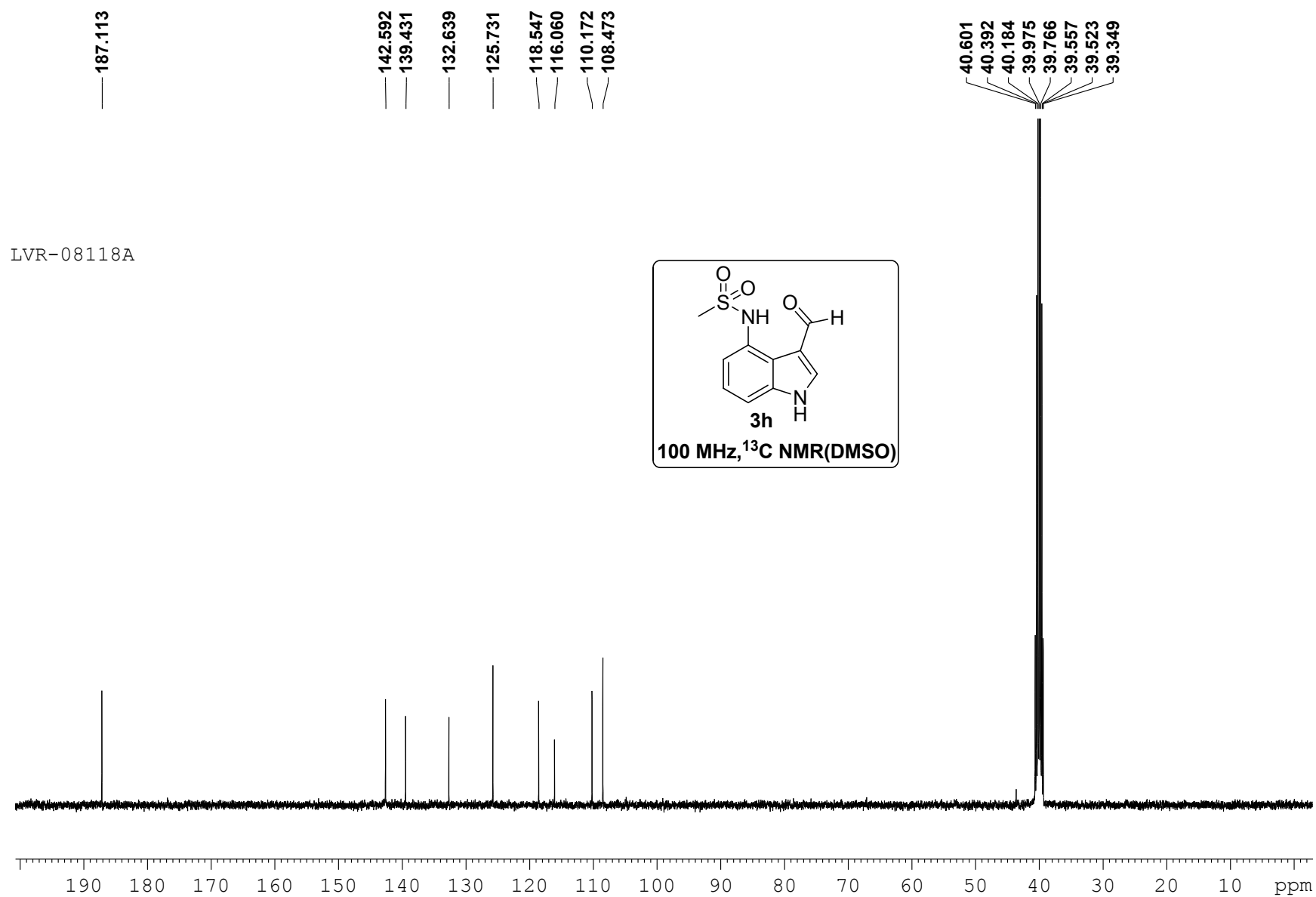
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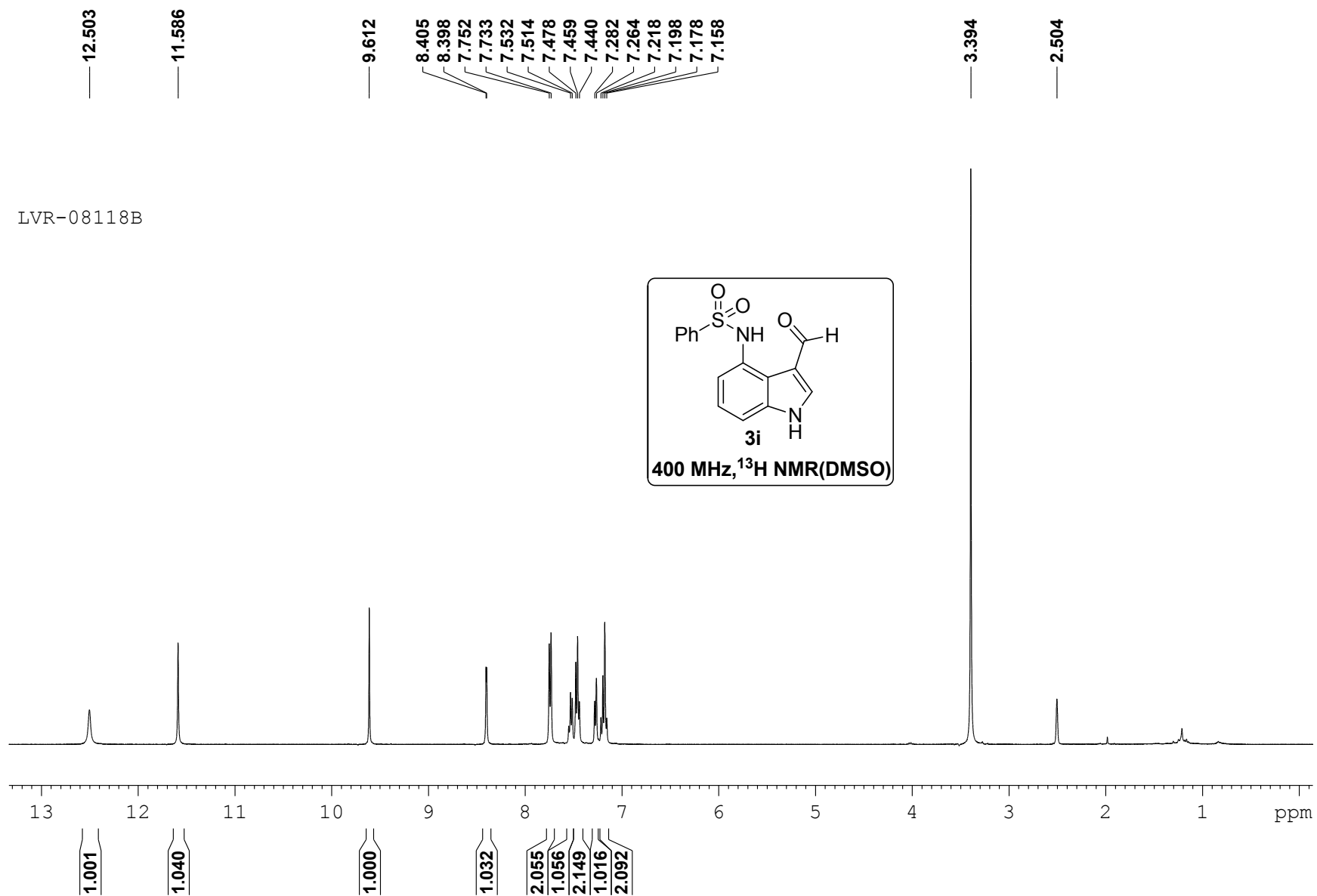


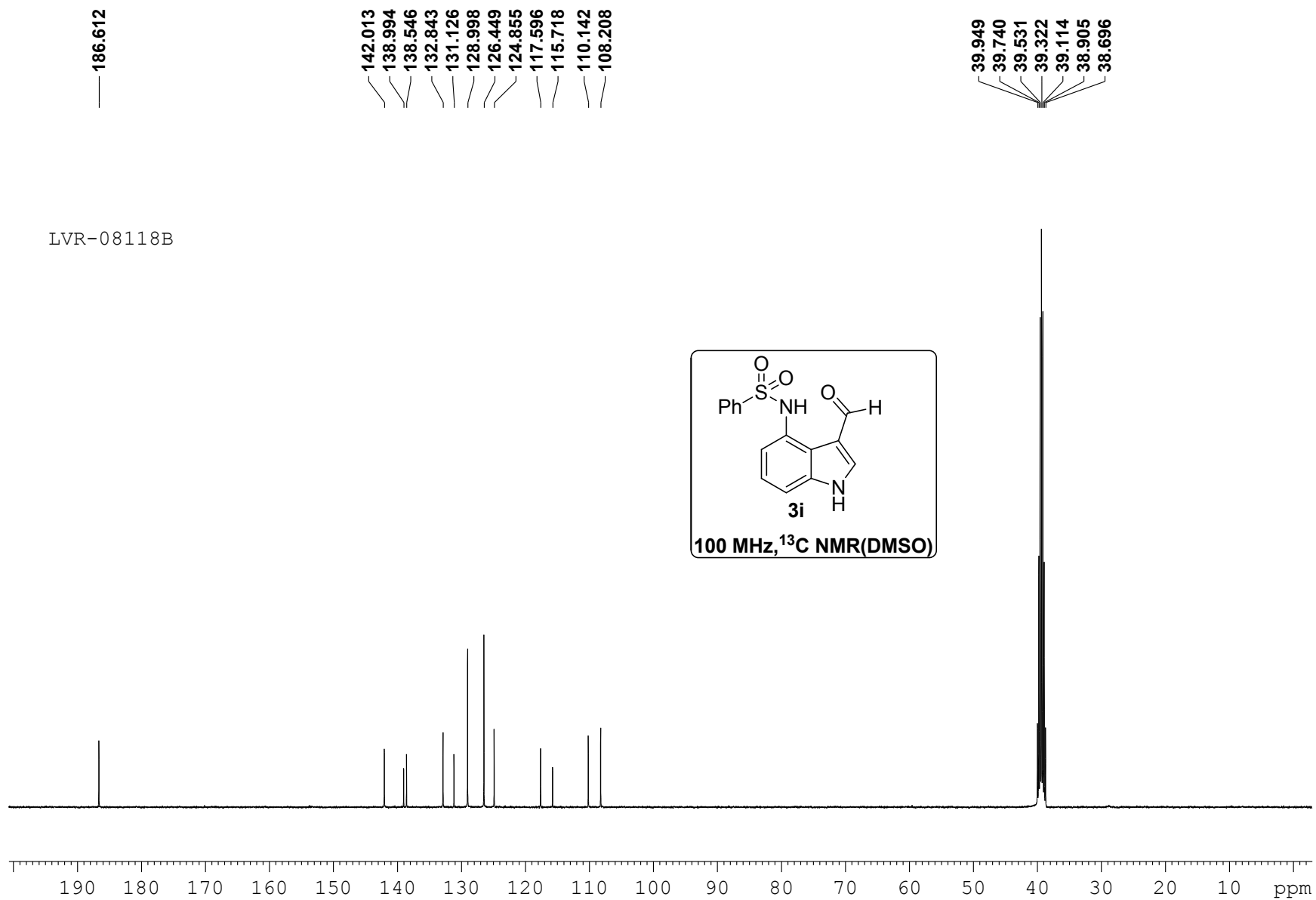


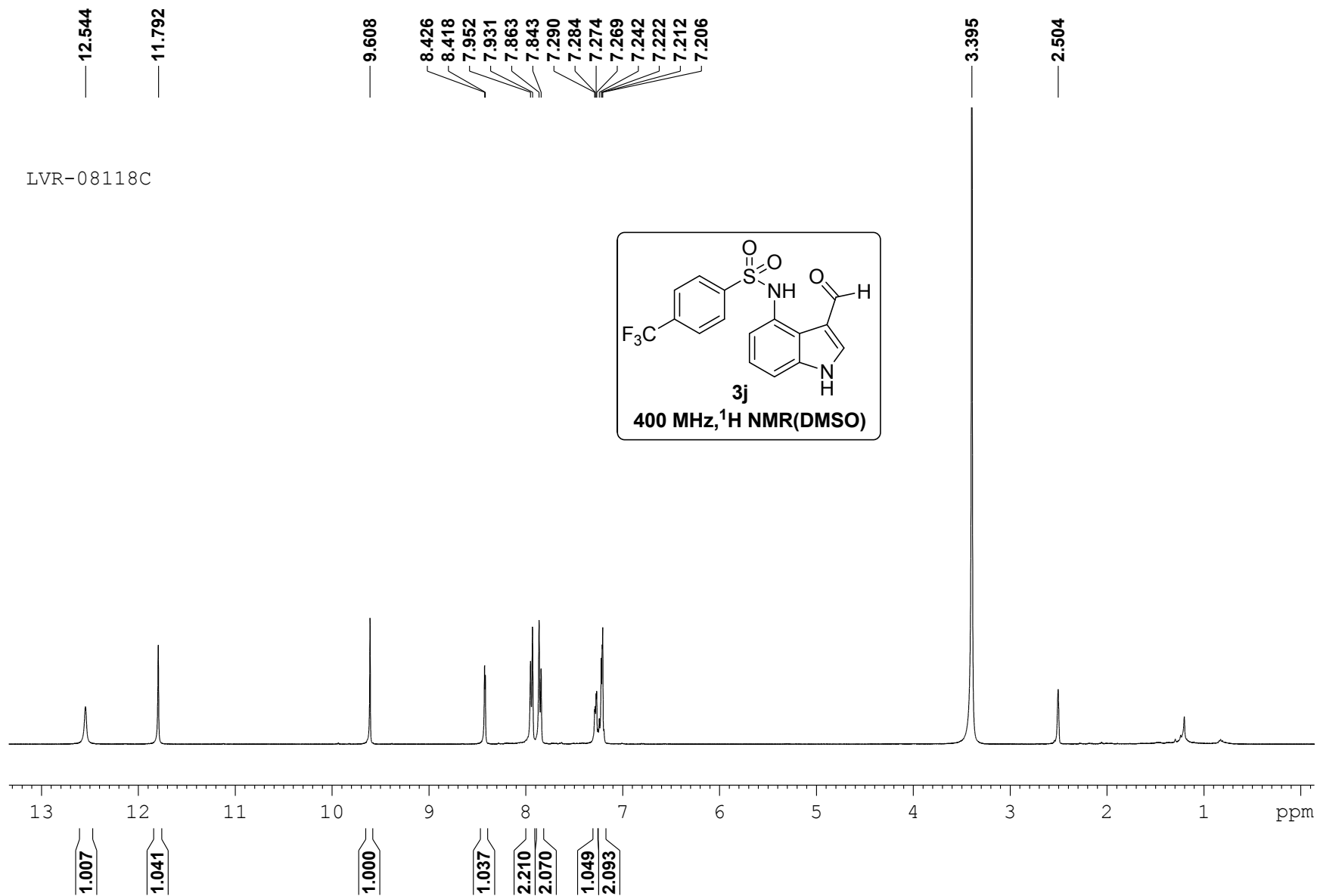


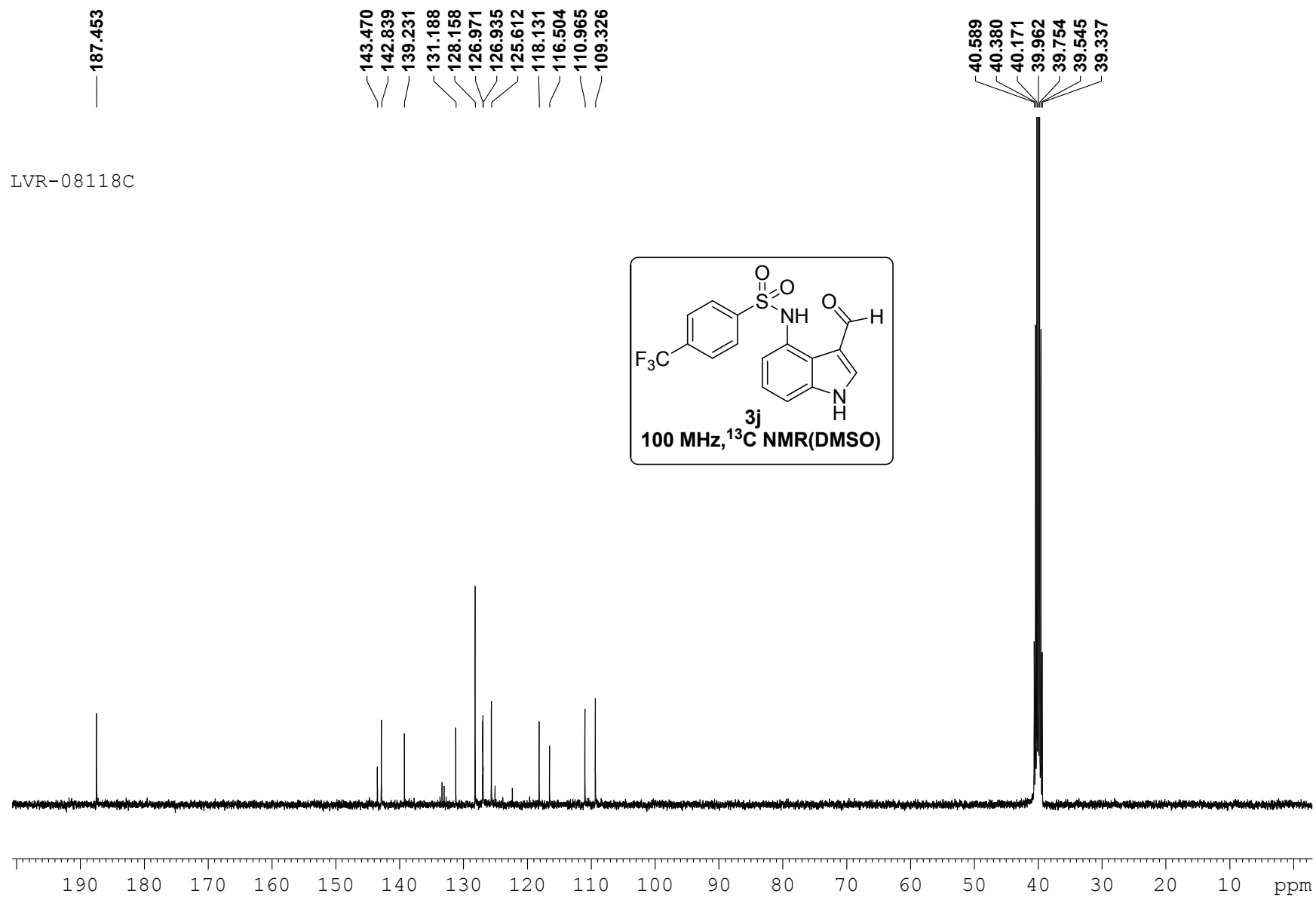




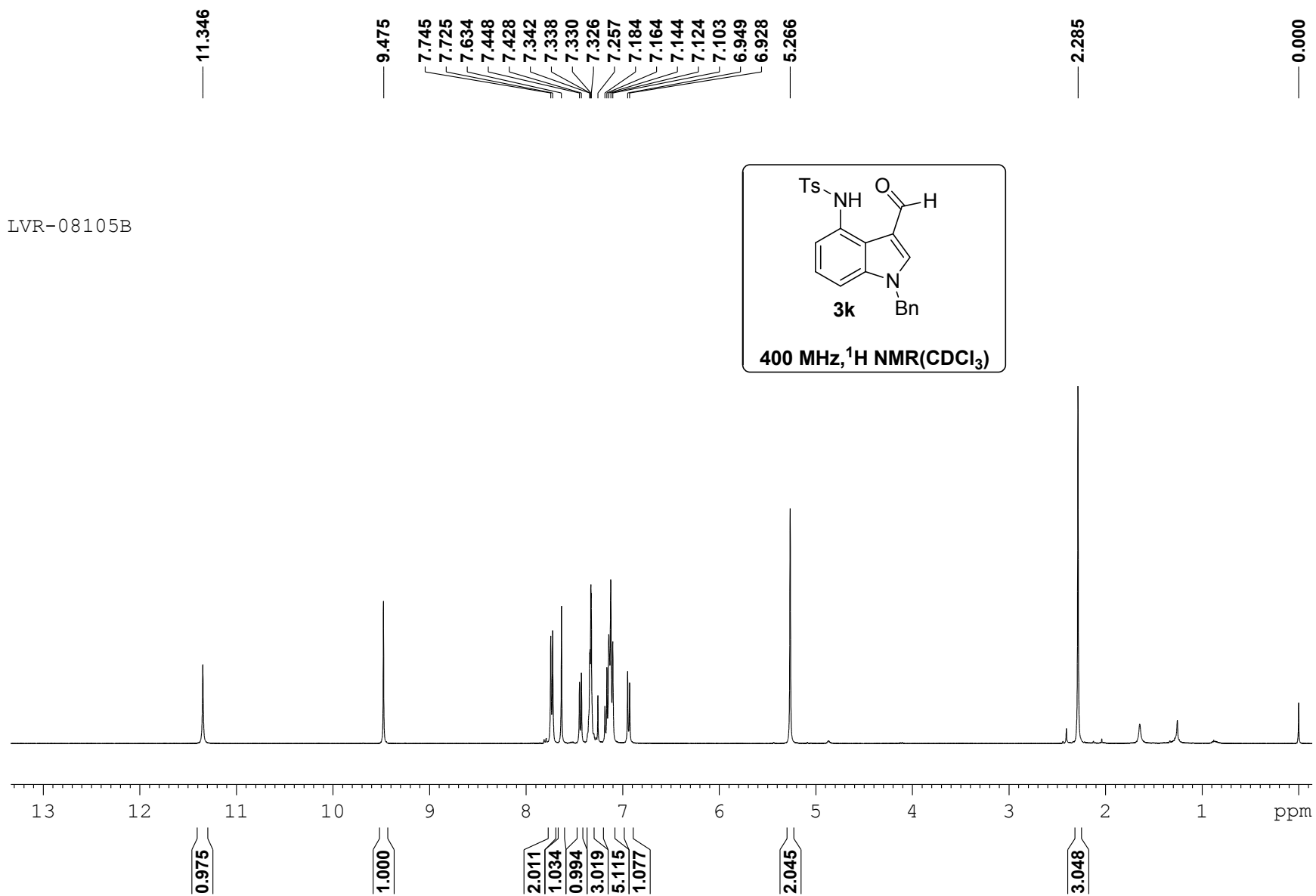


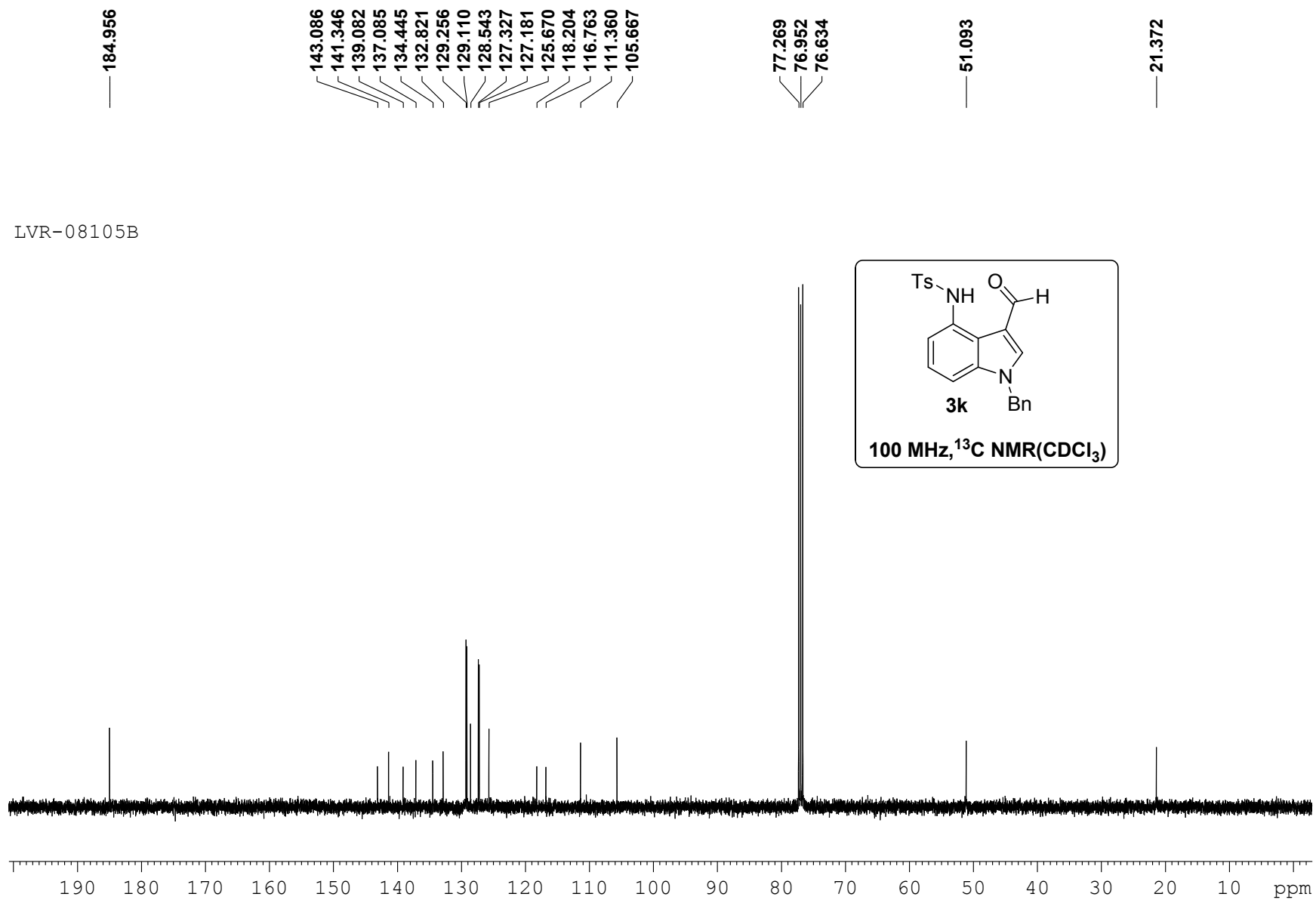




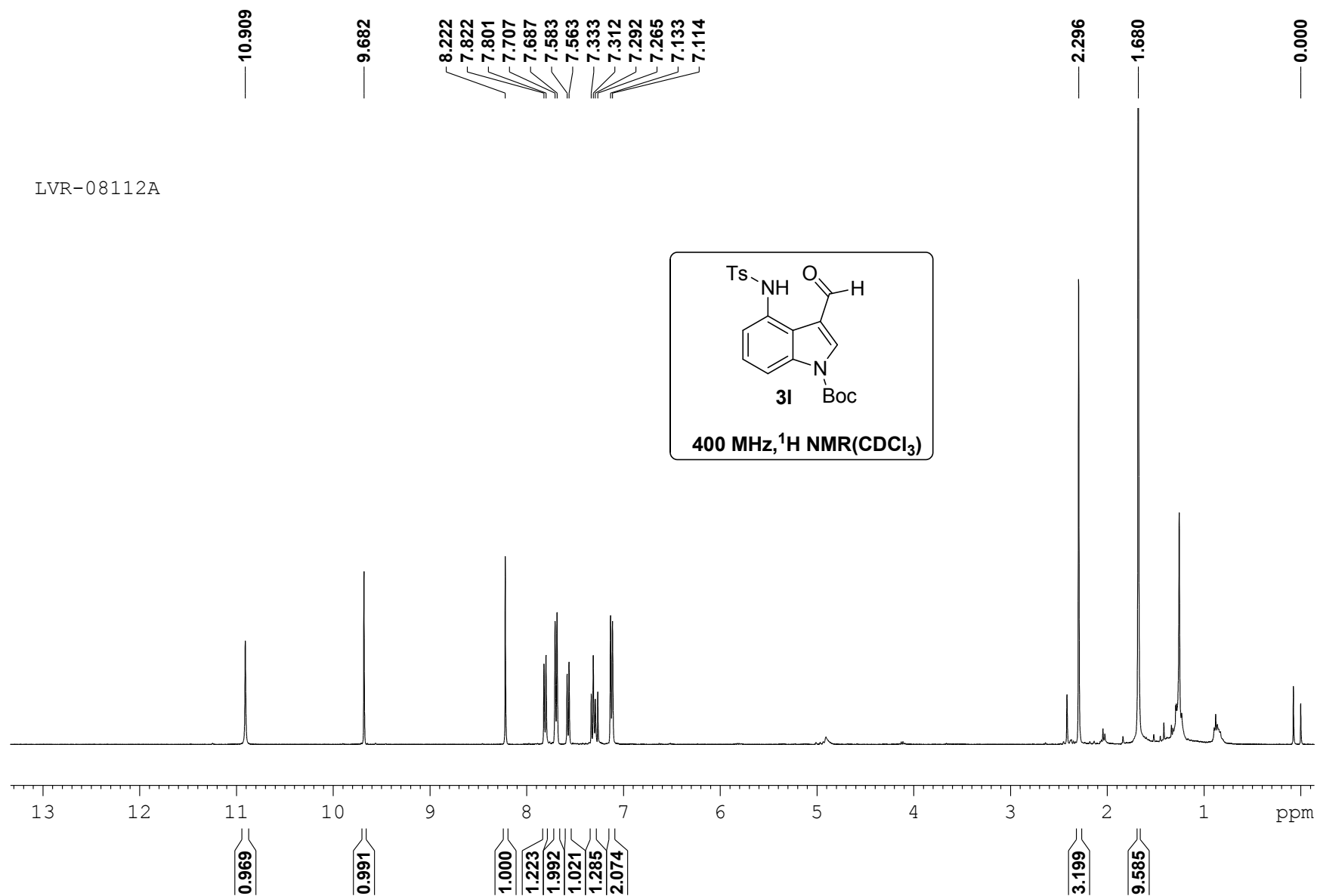


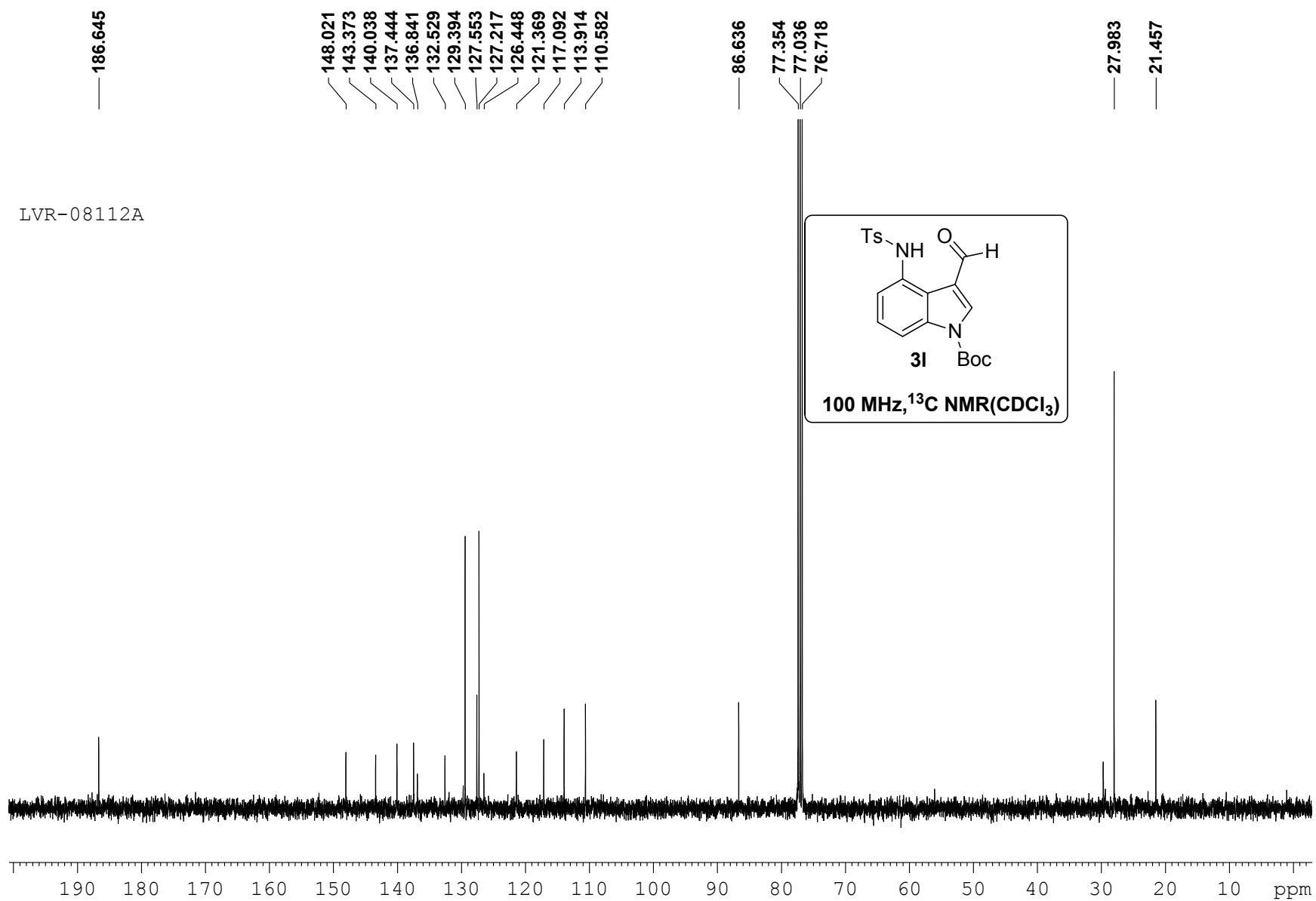
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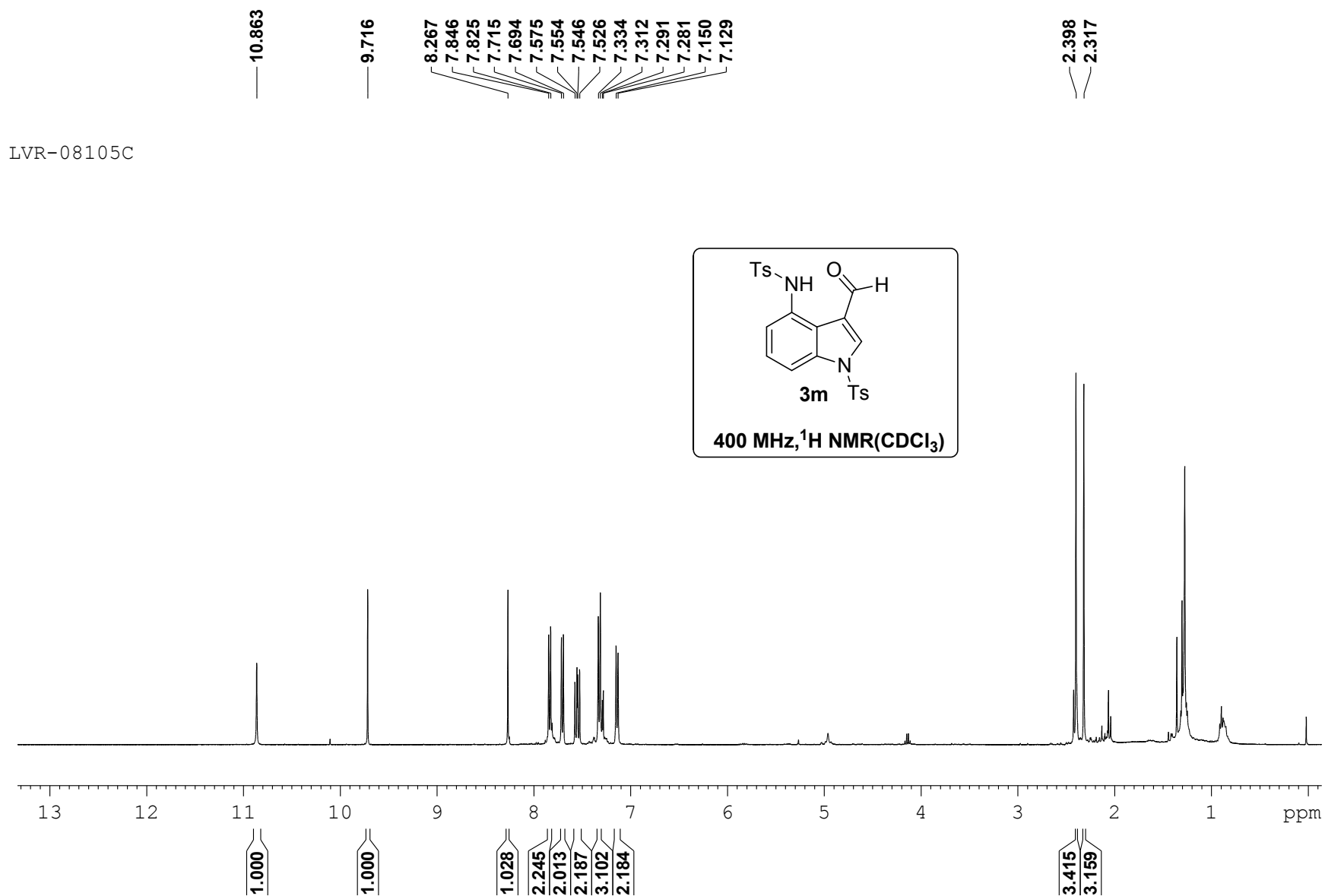


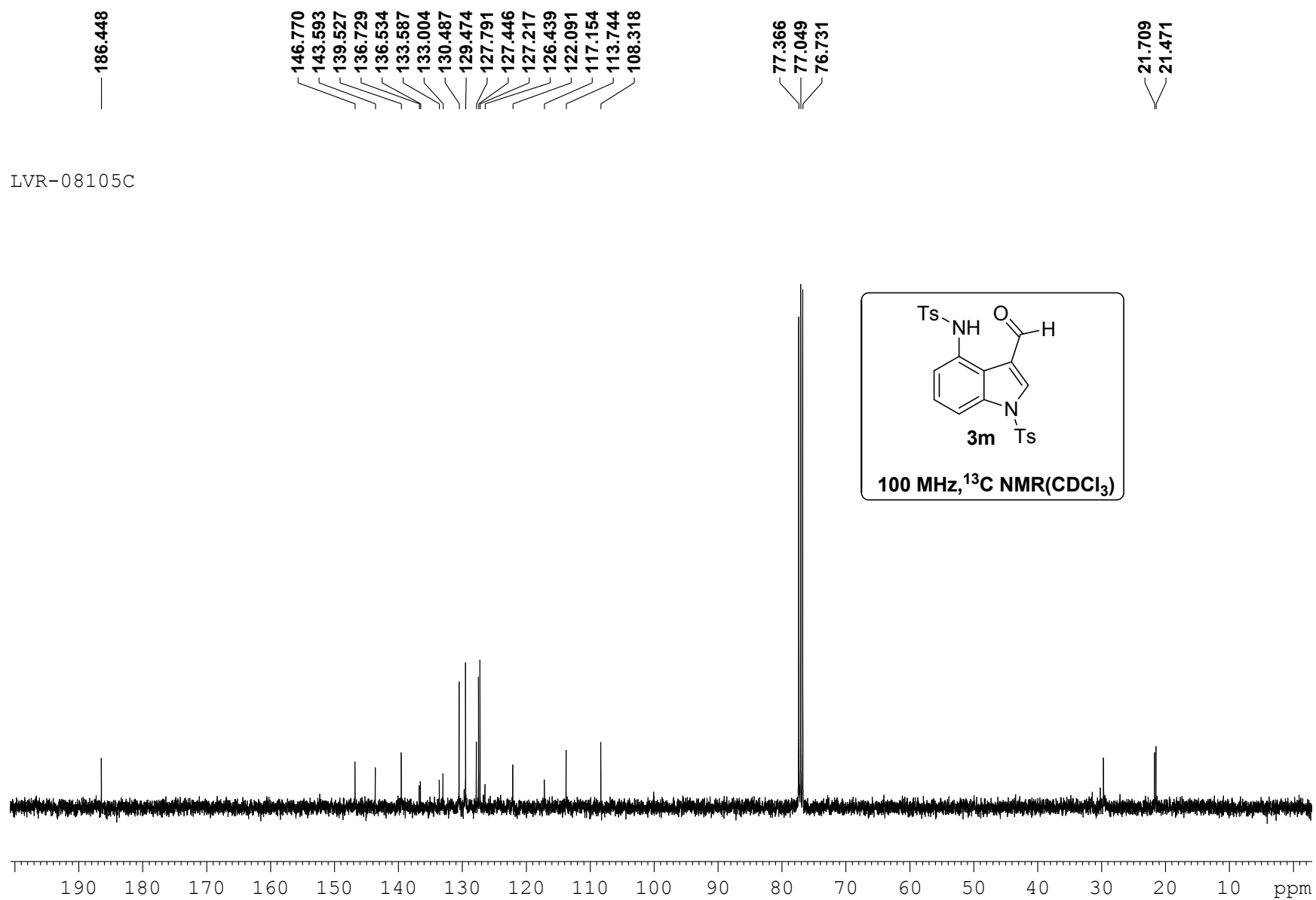


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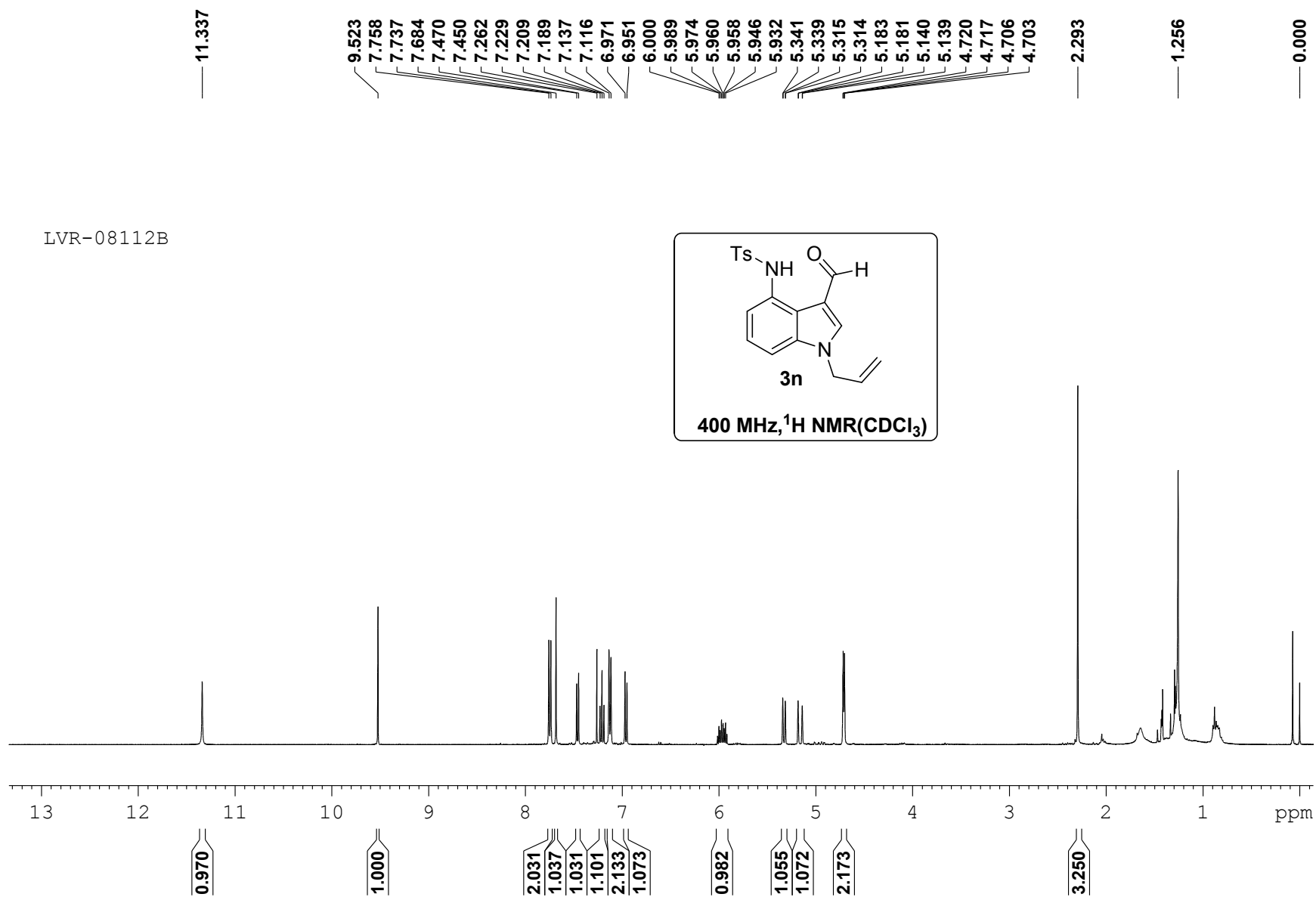


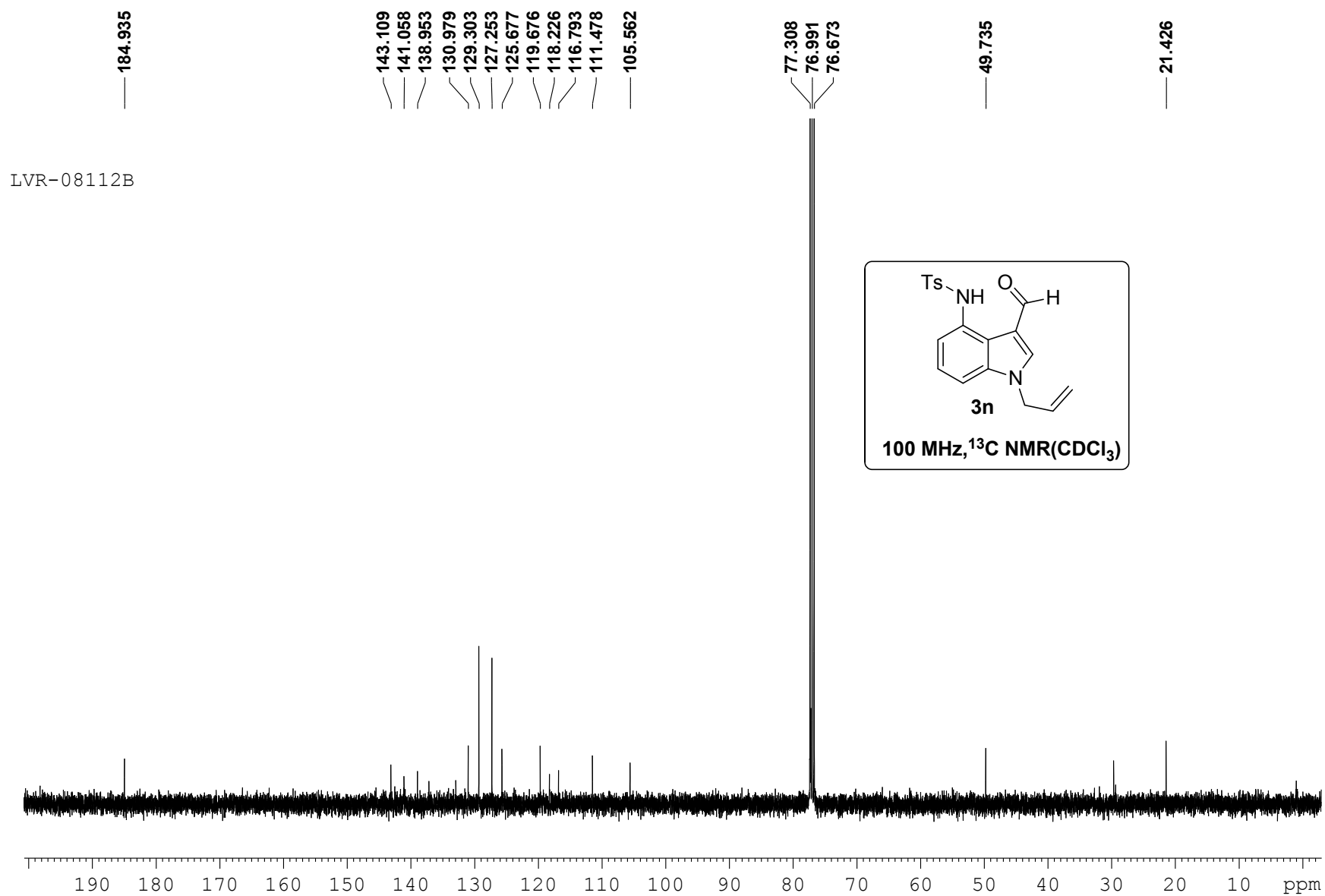


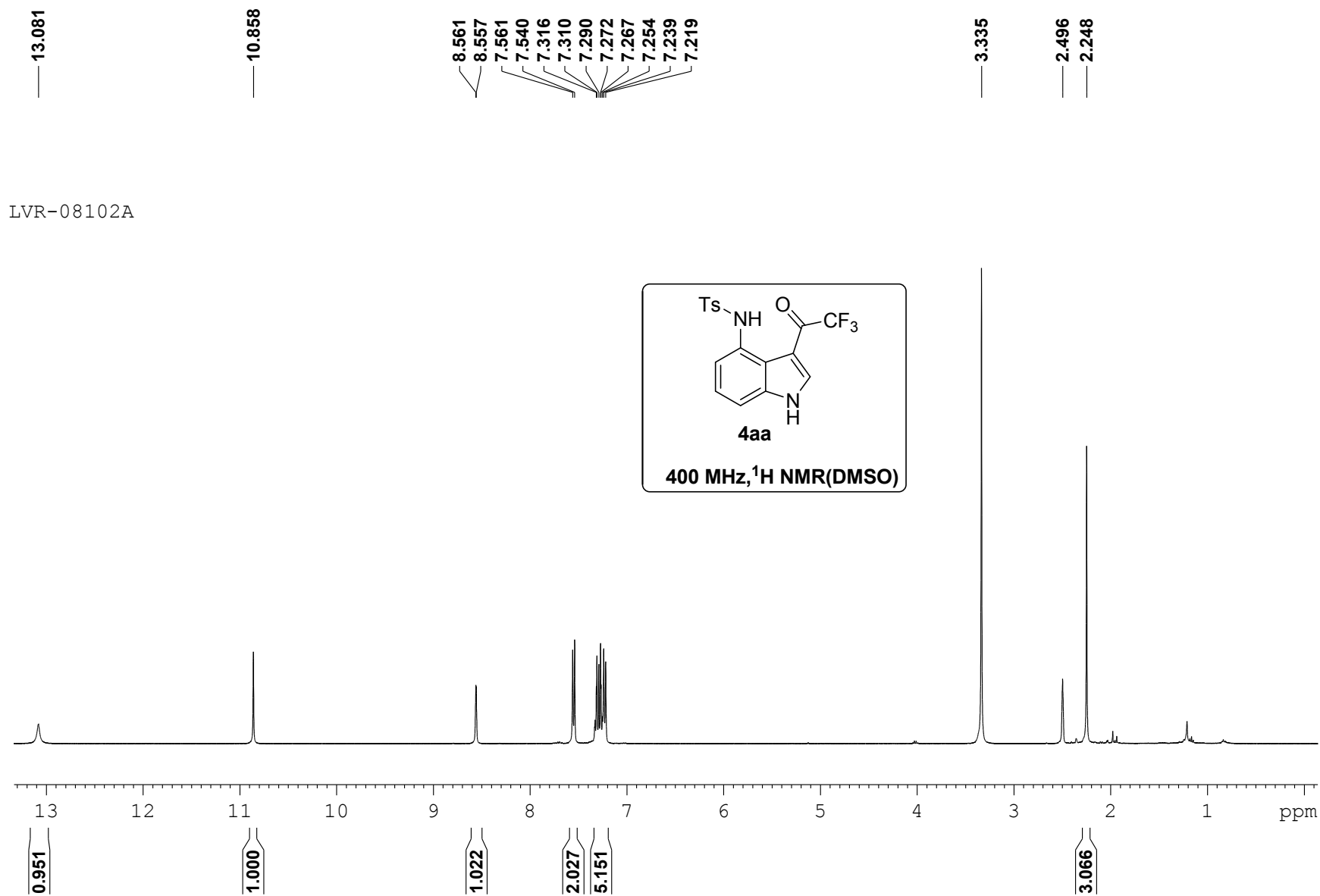


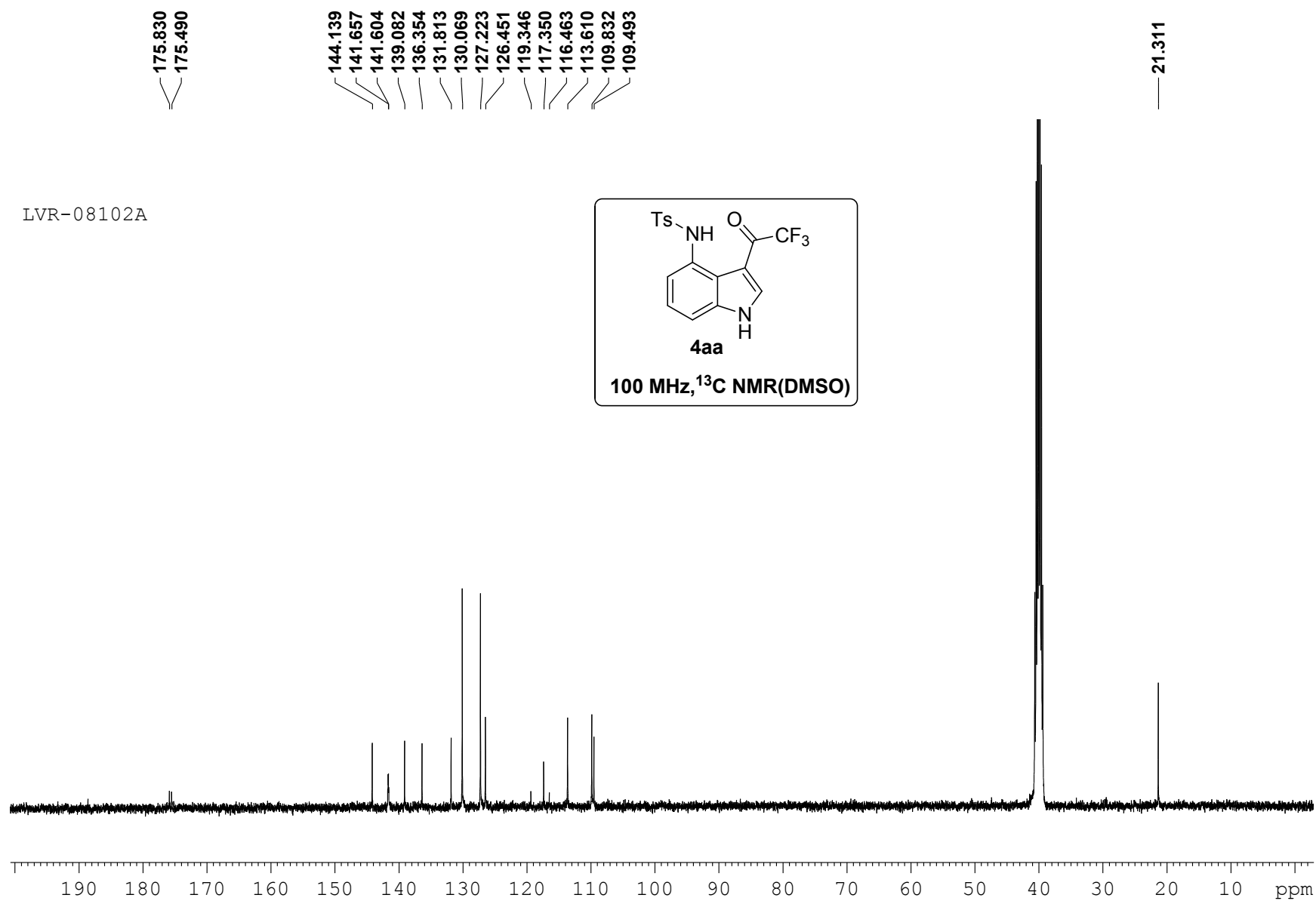


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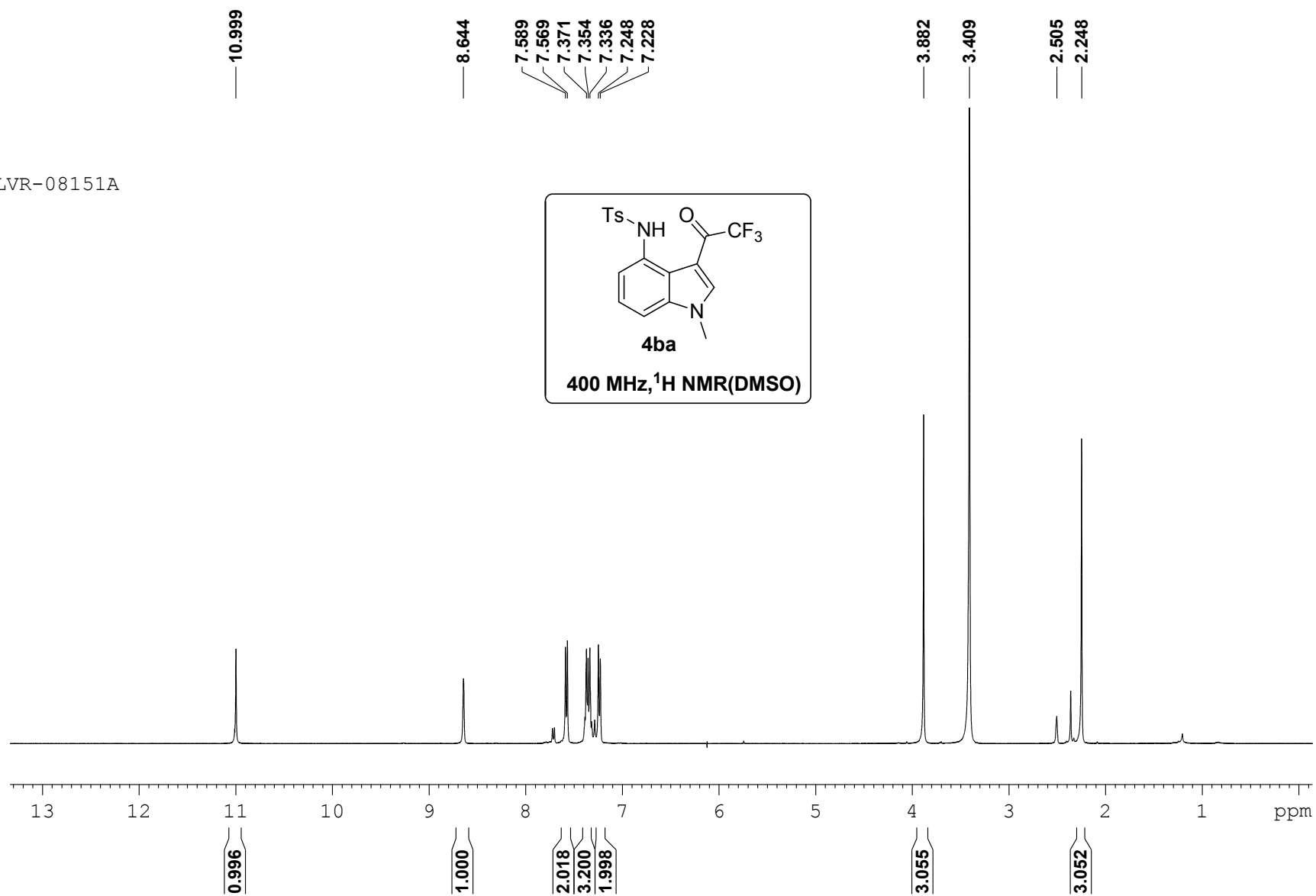


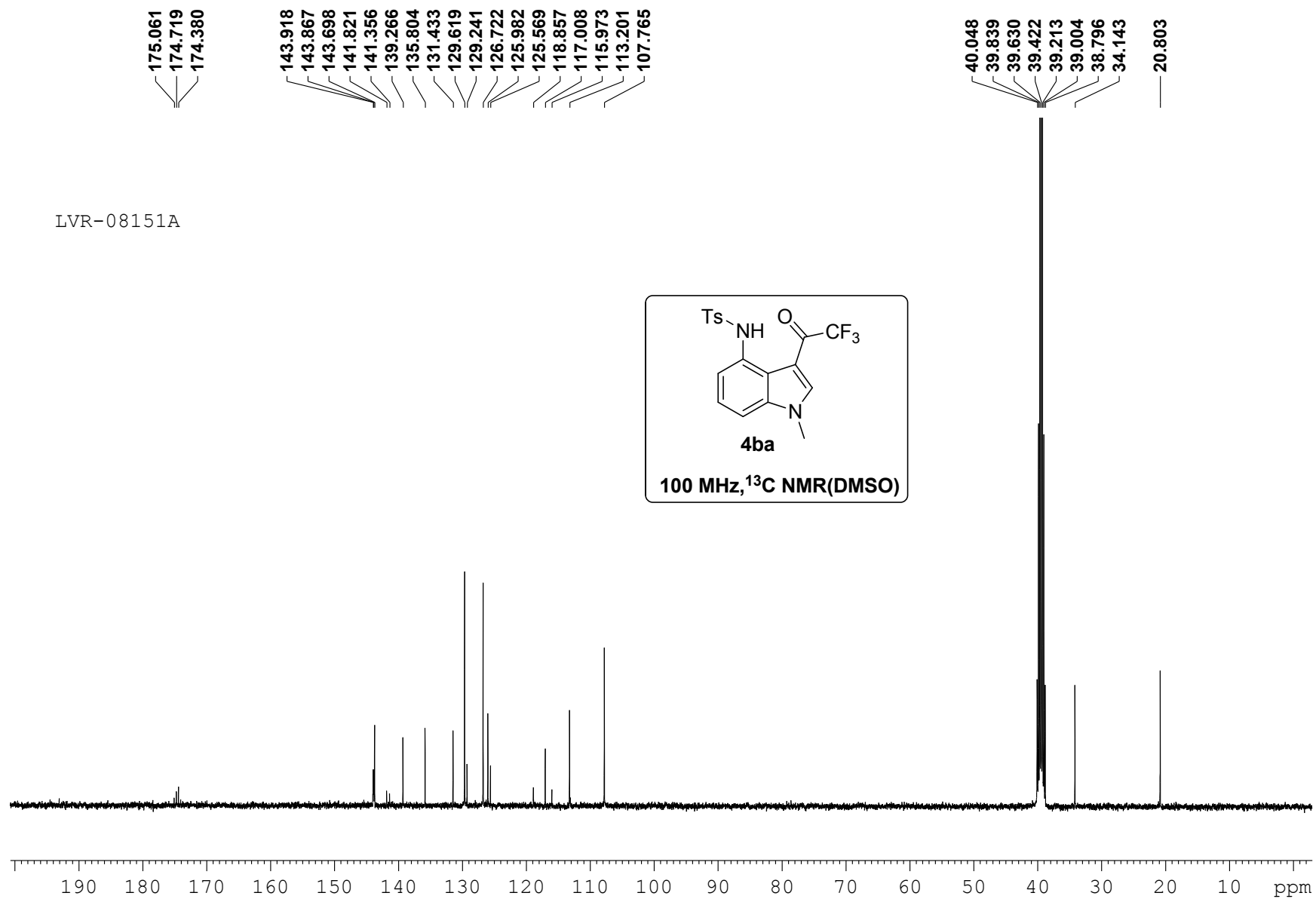




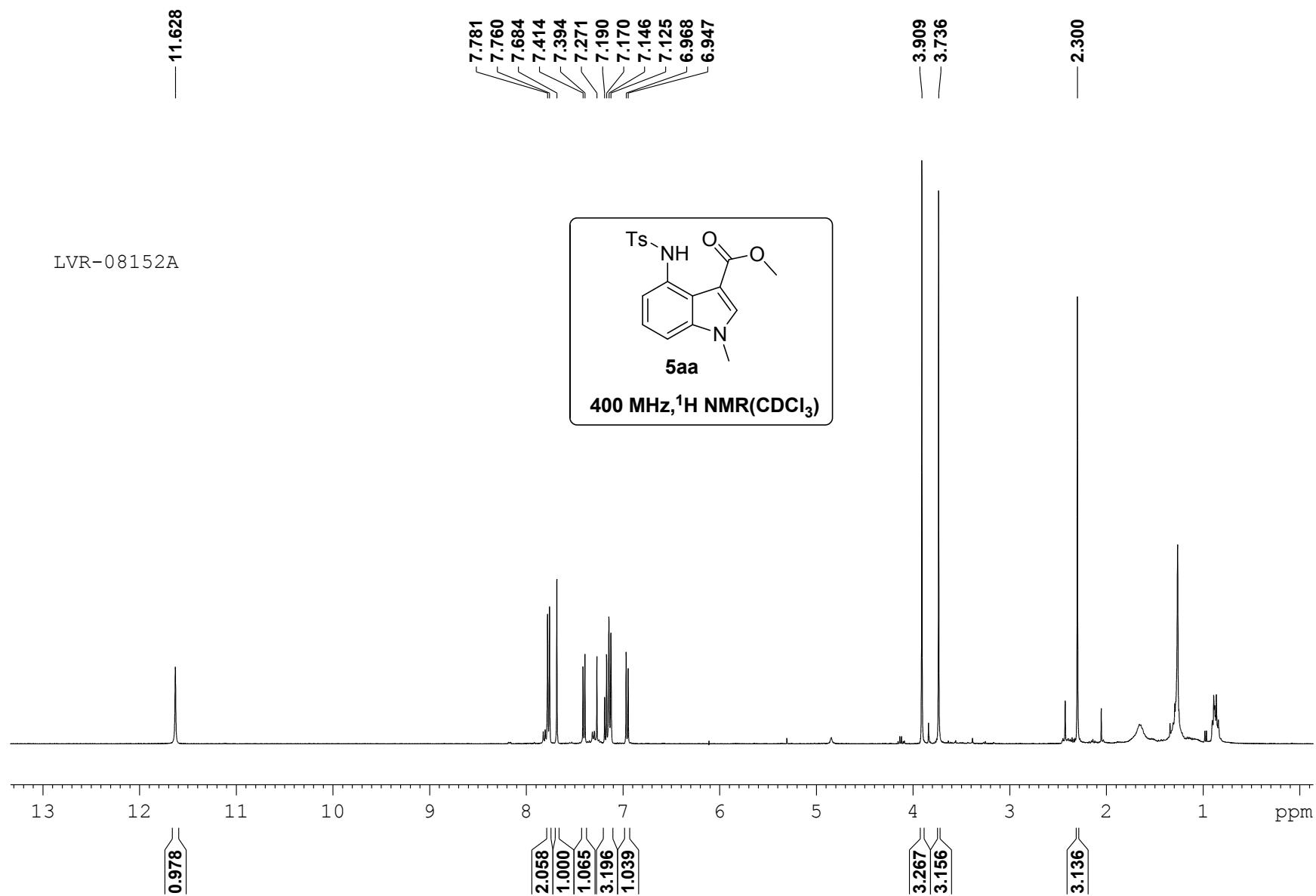


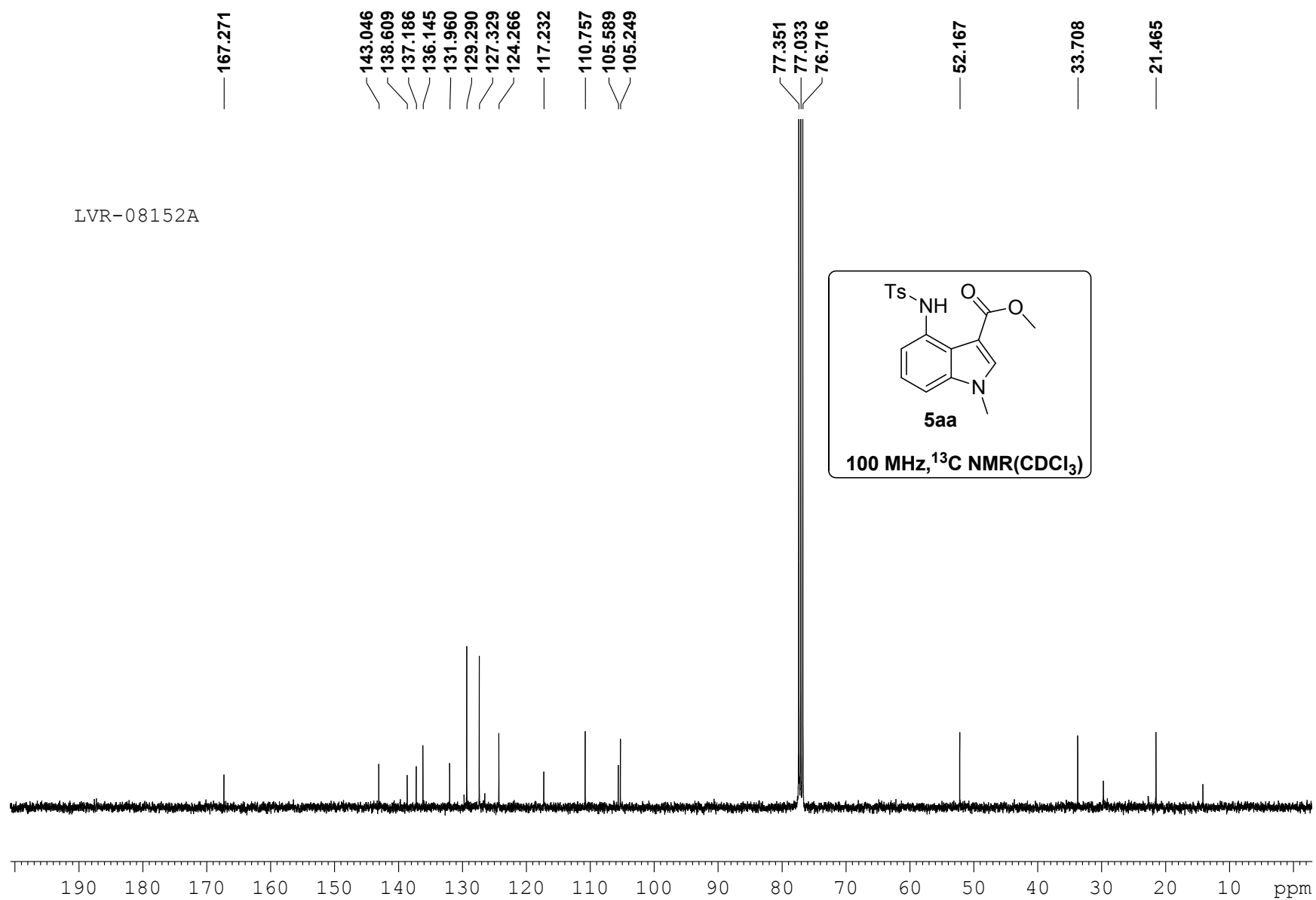
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