

Supporting Information for:

**A Novel Homobimetallic Nickel Complex for Asymmetric Direct
Mannich Reaction of Imines: A Practical Method on a Multi-Gram
Scale**

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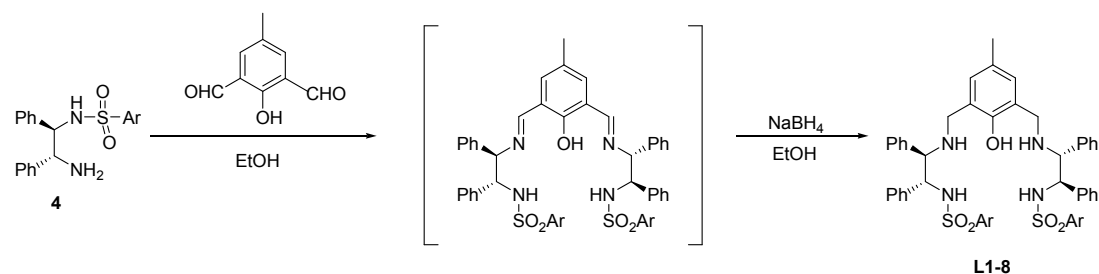
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1. General information

All reagents were obtained from Acros, Adamas, or TCI etc. without further purification unless otherwise noted. High resolution mass spectra were recorded with a Bruker Solarix FT-ICR-MS system. NMR spectra were recorded on commercial instruments and operating at 500 MHz for ^1H NMR and 125 MHz for ^{13}C NMR. Chemical shifts were reported in ppm from tetramethylsilane with the solvent resonance as the internal standard (CDCl_3 , $\delta = 7.26$ or $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$ $\delta = 2.50$) in ^1H NMR spectra and Chemical shifts were reported in ppm from the tetramethylsilane with the solvent resonance as internal standard (CDCl_3 , $\delta = 77.0$ or $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$ $\delta = 39.5$) in ^{13}C NMR spectra. Spectra are reported as follows: chemical shift (δ ppm), multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet), coupling constants (Hz), integration, and assignment. The enantiomeric excess (*ee*) was determined by HPLC analysis. Analytical HPLC was performed on a Shimadzu liquid chromatography, using a chiral DAICEL CHIRALCEL OD-H or OJ-H or CHIRALPAK IA or AD-H column at 220 nm. Optical rotations were measured on a commercial polarimeter and are reported as follows: $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{\text{T}}$ ($c = \text{g}/100 \text{ mL}$, solvent).

2. General preparation procedure and characterization of the ligands



To a solution of **4** (3.6 mmol) in 50 mL ethanol was slowly added the dialdehyde (1.8 mmol), and the mixture was stirred at room temperature until the reaction proceeded completely detected by TLC. Sodium borohydride (14.4 mmol) was then added in small portions at 0 °C. And then the reaction was allowed to warm to ambient temperature and detected by TLC. It was poured over 120 mL of water and extracted with CH_2Cl_2 . The combined organic phase was washed with Sat. NaCl and dried with anhydrous Na_2SO_4 , and the solvents were removed in vacuo and purified through column chromatography (petroleum ether /AcOEt = 4 : 1) on silica gel to obtain L1-8.

L9 and L10 were synthesized by the analogy of L1-8.

L1: White solid; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = -51.8$ (c 0.74, CH_2Cl_2); ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.46 (d, $J = 8.1$, 4H), 7.18-7.13 (m, 6H), 7.06 (d, $J = 6.4$, 4H), 6.95-6.86 (m, 10H), 6.77 (d, $J = 7.0$, 4H), 6.66 (s, 2H), 4.40 (d, $J = 9.3$, 2H), 3.92 (d, $J = 9.4$, 2H), 3.74 (d, $J = 12.9$, 2H), 3.60 (d, $J = 12.9$, 2H), 2.24

(s, 6H), 2.17 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 153.3, 141.2, 137.7, 136.5, 136.1, 127.72, 127.65, 126.9, 126.6, 126.4, 126.2, 126.14, 126.11, 125.7, 125.6, 122.6, 66.5, 62.5, 48.0, 20.0, 19.0; ESI-HRMS calcd for $\text{C}_{51}\text{H}_{53}\text{N}_4\text{O}_5\text{S}_2^+$ $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$: 865.3452, found 865.3454.

L2: White solid; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = -48.9$ (*c* 0.92, CH_2Cl_2); ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.48 (d, *J* = 7.9, 4H), 7.16-7.05 (m, 15H), 6.86-6.79 (m, 6H), 6.69 (s, 6H), 4.34 (d, *J* = 9.4, 2H), 4.01 (d, *J* = 9.5, 2H), 3.74 (d, *J* = 12.8, 2H), 3.61 (d, *J* = 12.8, 2H), 2.18 (s, 3H), 1.20 (s, 18H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 154.5, 153.8, 138.1, 136.5, 136.2, 128.1, 127.2, 127.0, 126.7, 126.5, 126.4, 126.4, 125.9, 125.9, 124.3, 122.9, 66.7, 63.0, 48.4, 33.8, 30.0, 19.3; ESI-HRMS calcd for $\text{C}_{57}\text{H}_{65}\text{N}_4\text{O}_5\text{S}_2^+$ $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$: 949.4391, found 949.4347.

L3: White solid; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = -62.0$ (*c* 0.64, CH_2Cl_2); ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.50 (d, *J* = 8.4, 4H), 7.17-7.15 (m, 6H), 7.05 (d, *J* = 6.4, 4H), 6.93-6.89 (m, 6H), 6.76 (d, *J* = 6.7, 4H), 6.66 (s, 2H), 6.57 (d, *J* = 8.4, 4H), 4.36 (d, *J* = 9.2, 2H), 3.69 (d, *J* = 9.3, 2H), 3.73 (d, *J* = 13.0, 2H), 3.70 (s, 6H), 3.59 (d, *J* = 12.9, 2H), 2.17 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 161.2, 153.6, 138.0, 136.8, 131.1, 128.1, 128.0, 127.2, 126.9, 126.8, 126.5, 126.5, 126.4, 126.0, 123.0, 112.6, 66.8, 62.9, 54.4, 48.3, 19.3; ESI-HRMS calcd for $\text{C}_{51}\text{H}_{53}\text{N}_4\text{O}_7\text{S}_2^+$ $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$: 897.3350, found 897.3318.

L4: Yellow solid; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = -33.8$ (*c* 0.40, CH_2Cl_2); ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.93 (d, *J* = 8.2, 4H), 7.69 (d, *J* = 8.2, 4H), 7.24-7.14 (m, 6H), 7.06 (d, *J* = 5.9, 4H), 6.99-6.91 (m, 6H), 6.84 (d, *J* = 7.1, 4H), 6.64 (s, 2H), 4.50 (d, *J* = 8.7, 2H), 3.94 (d, *J* = 8.7, 2H), 3.76 (d, *J* = 12.8, 2H), 3.63 (d, *J* = 12.8, 2H), 2.14 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 153.3, 148.3, 145.2, 137.4, 136.2, 128.2, 127.5, 127.2, 127.1, 127.0, 126.8, 126.6, 126.5, 122.9, 122.5, 66.9, 62.9, 48.8, 19.3; ESI-HRMS calcd for $\text{C}_{49}\text{H}_{47}\text{N}_6\text{O}_9\text{S}_2^+$ $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$: 927.2840, found 927.2834.

L5: Yellow solid; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = -21.6$ (*c* 0.44, CH_2Cl_2); ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.23 (s, 2H), 8.09 (d, *J* = 8.1, 2H), 7.91 (d, *J* = 7.7, 2H), 7.33 (t, *J* = 7.8, 2H), 7.16-7.2 (m, 6H), 7.08 (d, *J* = 6.6, 4H), 6.90-6.84 (m, 10H), 6.65 (s, 2H), 4.53 (d, *J* = 9.0, 2H), 3.96 (d, *J* = 9.0, 2H), 3.76 (d, *J* = 12.8, 2H), 3.65 (d, *J* = 12.9, 2H), 2.14 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 153.4, 146.5, 141.5, 137.5, 135.9, 131.5, 128.7, 128.2, 127.5, 127.1, 126.9, 126.8, 126.7, 126.5, 125.3, 122.9, 121.4, 66.9, 63.0, 48.8, 19.3; ESI-HRMS calcd for $\text{C}_{49}\text{H}_{47}\text{N}_6\text{O}_9\text{S}_2^+$ $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$: 927.2840, found 927.2849.

L6: White solid; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = -38.7$ (*c* 0.78, CH_2Cl_2); ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.55 (d, *J* = 7.6, 4H), 7.26-7.23 (m, 2H), 7.15-7.03 (m, 14H), 6.89-6.83 (m, 6H), 6.74 (d, *J* = 6.9, 4H), 6.65 (s, 2H), 4.39 (d, *J* = 9.2, 2H), 3.97 (d, *J* = 9.3, 2H), 3.73 (d, *J* = 12.9, 2H), 3.59 (d, *J* = 12.8, 2H), 2.15 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 153.6, 139.3, 138.0, 136.6, 130.9, 128.1, 127.4, 127.3, 126.9, 126.8, 126.6, 126.5, 126.4, 126.1, 126.0, 122.9, 66.8, 62.9, 48.4, 19.3; ESI-HRMS calcd for

$C_{49}H_{49}N_4O_5S_2^+ [M + H]^+$: 837.3139, found 837.3100.

L7: White solid; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +53.3$ (*c* 0.40, CH_2Cl_2); 1H NMR (500 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 8.64 (d, *J* = 8.5, 2H), 7.94 (d, *J* = 7.1, 2H), 7.76 (d, *J* = 8.0, 2H), 7.69 (d, *J* = 8.0, 2H), 7.36 (t, *J* = 7.0, 2H), 7.22-7.16 (m, 4H), 7.08 (s, 6H), 6.94-6.93 (m, 4H), 6.91-6.72 (m, 2H), 6.67-6.65 (m, 10H), 4.36 (d, *J* = 8.9, 2H), 3.88 (d, *J* = 8.9, 2H), 3.75 (d, *J* = 12.9, 2H), 3.60 (d, *J* = 13.0, 2H), 2.20 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 153.4, 137.8, 136.3, 134.1, 132.8, 132.6, 128.4, 127.9, 127.4, 127.2, 127.0, 126.8, 126.7, 126.5, 126.4, 126.4, 126.1, 125.9, 125.4, 123.7, 123.1, 122.7, 66.8, 62.9, 48.5, 19.4; ESI-HRMS calcd for $C_{57}H_{53}N_4O_5S_2^+ [M + H]^+$: 937.3452, found 937.3408.

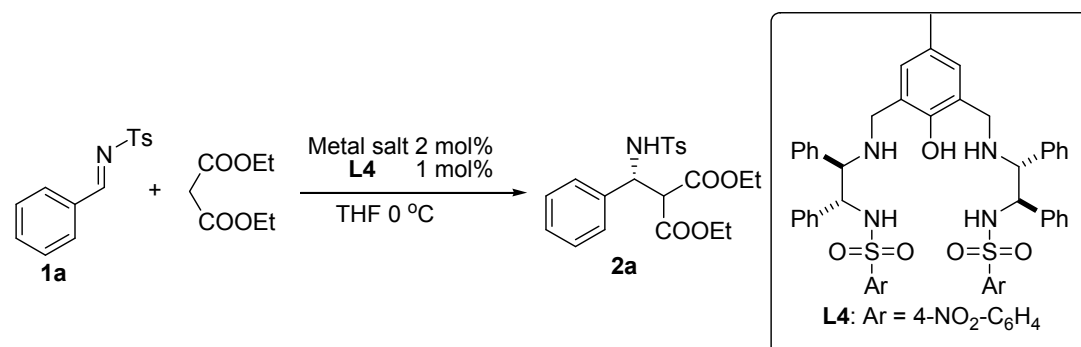
L8: White solid; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -90.0$ (*c* 1.00, CH_2Cl_2); 1H NMR (500 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 8.14 (s, 2H), 7.68 (d, *J* = 8.0, 2H), 7.57 (d, *J* = 8.1, 4H), 7.52-7.47 (m, 4H), 7.44-7.41 (m, 2H), 7.15-7.04 (m, 10H), 6.78-6.69 (m, 12H), 4.48 (d, *J* = 9.2, 2H), 4.02 (d, *J* = 9.3, 2H), 3.76 (d, *J* = 12.9, 2H), 3.65 (d, *J* = 12.9, 2H), 2.19 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 153.7, 138.0, 136.6, 136.3, 133.3, 130.7, 128.0, 127.7, 127.4, 127.2, 126.8, 126.7, 126.6, 126.5, 126.4, 126.4, 126.0, 125.9, 123.1, 121.3, 66.9, 63.0, 48.5, 19.3; ESI-HRMS calcd for $C_{57}H_{53}N_4O_5S_2^+ [M + H]^+$: 937.3452, found 937.3464.

L9: Pale yellow solid; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +164.6$ (*c* 0.47, CH_3OH); 1H NMR (500 MHz, $(CD_3)_2SO$) δ 8.01 (d, *J* = 8.0, 2H), 7.66 (d, *J* = 7.8, 2H), 7.10-7.02 (m, 6H), 6.94-6.82 (m, 6H), 6.73 (d, *J* = 7.6, 1H), 6.67-6.65 (m, 1H), 4.44 (d, *J* = 7.6, 1H), 3.85 (d, *J* = 7.9, 1H), 3.39 (s, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, $(CD_3)_2SO$) δ 156.0, 148.7, 146.7, 139.5, 138.6, 128.6, 128.1, 127.8, 127.8, 127.4, 127.0, 126.6, 125.2, 123.7, 118.5, 115.0, 66.7, 63.4, 47.2; ESI-HRMS calcd for $C_{27}H_{26}N_3O_5S^+ [M + H]^+$: 504.1588, found 504.1587.

L10: Yellow solid; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +32.6$ (*c* 0.86, CH_2Cl_2); 1H NMR (500 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.96 (d, *J* = 8.2, 2H), 7.63 (d, *J* = 8.2, 2H), 7.23 (s, 1H), 7.18 (s, 3H), 7.02-6.90 (m, 5H), 6.70 (d, *J* = 7.2, 2H), 6.65 (s, 1H), 4.71 (d, *J* = 7.9, 1H), 3.89 (d, *J* = 7.9, 1H), 3.83 (d, *J* = 13.3, 1H), 3.56 (d, *J* = 13.3, 1H), 1.47 (s, 9H), 1.22 (s, 9H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 152.7, 148.4, 144.9, 140.0, 135.7, 135.3, 134.9, 127.6, 127.2, 127.2, 127.1, 127.0, 126.9, 126.5, 122.7, 122.3, 120.4, 65.2, 61.8, 49.8, 33.9, 33.1, 30.6, 28.6; ESI-HRMS calcd for $C_{35}H_{42}N_3O_5S^+ [M + H]^+$: 616.2840, found 616.2830.

3. Other optimizations of the Mannich reaction

Table S1: Metal effects.^[a]



Entry	Metal salt	Yield ^[b] (%)	<i>ee</i> ^[c] (%)
1	Ni(OAc) ₂	94	96
2	Fe(OAc) ₂	14	1
3	Cu(OAc) ₂	21	5
4	Co(OAc) ₂	38	3
5	CuOAc	30	3
6	Mn(OAc) ₂	54	1
7	Mn(OAc) ₃	37	3
8	Zn(OAc) ₂	26	13

[a] Unless otherwise noted, all reactions were performed with metal salt (2 mol%) and ligand (1 mol%), **1a** (1.0 mmol), and diethyl malonate (1.0 mmol) in THF (5.0 mL) under air atmosphere at 0 °C for 16-17h. [b] Isolated yield. [c] Determined by HPLC analysis on a chiral stationary phase.

Table S2: Solvent effects.^[a]

Entry	Solvent	Yield ^[b] (%)	<i>ee</i> ^[c] (%)
1	THF	94	96
2	CH ₂ Cl ₂	10	5
3	AcOEt	56	58
4	CH ₃ OH	50	14
5	Toluene	6	22

[a] Unless otherwise noted, all reactions were performed with Ni(OAc)₂·4H₂O (2 mol%) and **L4** (1 mol%), **1a** (1.0 mmol), and diethyl malonate (1.0 mmol) in the specified solvent (5.0 mL) under air atmosphere at 0 °C for 16-17h. [b] Isolated yield. [c] Determined by HPLC analysis on a chiral stationary phase.

Table S3: The effects of concentration of imine.^[a]

Entry	The concentration of imine (M)	Yield ^[b] (%)	<i>ee</i> ^[c] (%)
1	0.20	94	96
2	0.25	92	97
3	0.33	88	91
4	0.50	84	90
5	1.0	89	83

[a] Unless otherwise noted, all reactions were performed with Ni(OAc)₂·4H₂O (2 mol%) and **L4** (1 mol%), **1a** (1.0 mmol), and diethyl malonate (1.0 mmol) in THF (5.0-1.0 mL) under air atmosphere at 0 °C for 16-17h. [b] Isolated yield. [c] Determined by HPLC analysis on a chiral stationary phase.

Table S4: The effects of the molar ratio of the imine / diethyl malonate.^[a]

Entry	The molar ratio of the imine / diethyl malonate.	Yield ^[b] (%)	<i>ee</i> ^[c] (%)
1	1:1	92	97
2	1:1.2	94	97
3	1:1.4	95	96

[a] Unless otherwise noted, all reactions were performed with Ni(OAc)₂·4H₂O (2 mol%) and **L4** (1 mol%), **1a** (1.0 mmol), and diethyl malonate (1.0-1.4 mmol) in THF (4.0 mL) under air atmosphere at 0 °C for 16-17h. [b] Isolated yield. [c] Determined by HPLC analysis on a chiral stationary phase.

Table S5: The effects of the reaction temperature.^[a]

Entry	T (°C).	Time (h)	Yield ^[b] (%)	<i>ee</i> ^[c] (%)
1	0	16	92	97
2	-15	40	89	89

[a] Unless otherwise noted, all reactions were performed with Ni(OAc)₂·4H₂O (2 mol%) and **L4** (1 mol%), **1a** (1.0 mmol), and diethyl malonate (1.2 mmol) in THF (4.0 mL) under air atmosphere at 0 °C for 16-17h. [b] Isolated yield. [c] Determined by HPLC analysis on a chiral stationary phase.

Table S6: Additive effects.^[a]

Entry	Additive.	Yield ^[b] (%)	<i>ee</i> ^[c] (%)
1	none	85	96
2	3Å MS (15.0 mg) ^[d]	90	95

3	4Å MS (15.0 mg) ^[d]	90	97
4	5Å MS (15.0 mg) ^[d]	92	95
5	4- <i>t</i> Bu-phenol (0.5 mol%)	91	94

[a] The reaction was performed with Ni(OAc)₂·4H₂O (1 mol%) and **L4** (0.5 mol%), **1a** (2.0 mmol) and diethyl malonate (2.4 mmol) in THF (8.0 mL) under air atmosphere at 0 °C for 16-17h. [b] Isolated yield. [c] Determined by HPLC analysis on a chiral stationary phase. [d] 1.5 g/mmol, relative to the ligand.

4. General procedure for the catalytic Mannich reaction

4.1 (5 mmol scale): The mixture of Ni(OAc)₂·4H₂O (0.01 mmol, 0.2 mol%), 4Å MS (7.5 mg) and **L4** (0.005 mmol, 0.1 mol%) was stirred in THF (15.0 mL) at 35 °C for 1.5 h. The mixture was cooled to 0 °C, then the imine **1** (5.0 mmol) and THF (3.0 mL) were added. After stirring for 30 min at 0 °C, diethyl malonate (6.0 mmol) and THF (2.0 mL) were added. The mixture continued to stir at 0 °C for the time indicated in Table 2. The resulting solution concentrated under reduced pressure and purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether / AcOEt, 5:1 to 8:1) on silica gel to afford the products.

4.2 (20 mmol scale): The mixture of Ni(OAc)₂·4H₂O (0.04 mmol, 0.2 mol%), 4Å MS (30 mg) and **L4** (0.02 mmol, 0.1 mol%) was stirred in THF (60 mL) at 35 °C for 1.5 h. The mixture was cooled to 0 °C, and then the imine **1h** (20.0 mmol) and THF (10.0 mL) were added. After stirring for 30 min at 0 °C, diethyl malonate (24.0 mmol) and THF (10.0 mL) were added. The mixture continued to stir at 0 °C for 24 h. The resulting solution was filtered through a short pad of silica gel (15 g) and washed with CH₂Cl₂, and the solution concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was recrystallized from petroleum ether and AcOEt to afford **2h**.

4.3 (50 mmol scale): The mixture of Ni(OAc)₂·4H₂O (0.1 mmol, 0.2 mol%), 4Å MS (75 mg) and **L4** (0.05 mmol, 0.1 mol%) was stirred in THF (160 mL) at 35 °C for 1.5 h. The mixture was cooled to 0 °C, and then the imine **1h** (50.0 mmol) and THF (20.0 mL) were added. After stirring for 30 min at 0 °C, diethyl malonate (60.0 mmol) and THF (20.0 mL) were added. The mixture continued to stir at 0 °C for 96 h. The reaction mixture was diluted by CH₂Cl₂/ petroleum ether (400 mL, 1:1, v/v) and filtered through a short pad of silica gel (70 g). The resulting solution was concentrated to 15-20 mL under reduced pressure, then petroleum ether (200 mL) was added to the residue with vigorous stirring to afford the crude product (97% *ee*). The crude product was recrystallized from petroleum ether and AcOEt to afford **2h**.

5. General procedure for the synthesis of azirdines^[1]

To the solution of **2** (0.2 mmol) in anhydrous CH₃CN (1.0 mL), PhI(OAc)₂ (0.4 mmol) and Bu₄NBr (0.4 mmol) were added. The resulted mixture was warmed up and stirred at 30 °C for 30-40 min. The mixture directly purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether / AcOEt, 10:1 to 15:1) on silica gel to provide the corresponding aziridine.

[1] R. Fan, Y. Ye, *Adv. Synth. Catal.* **2008**, 350, 1526-1530.

6. Miscellaneous analyses of the complexes

6.1 ESI-MS analysis of the complexes

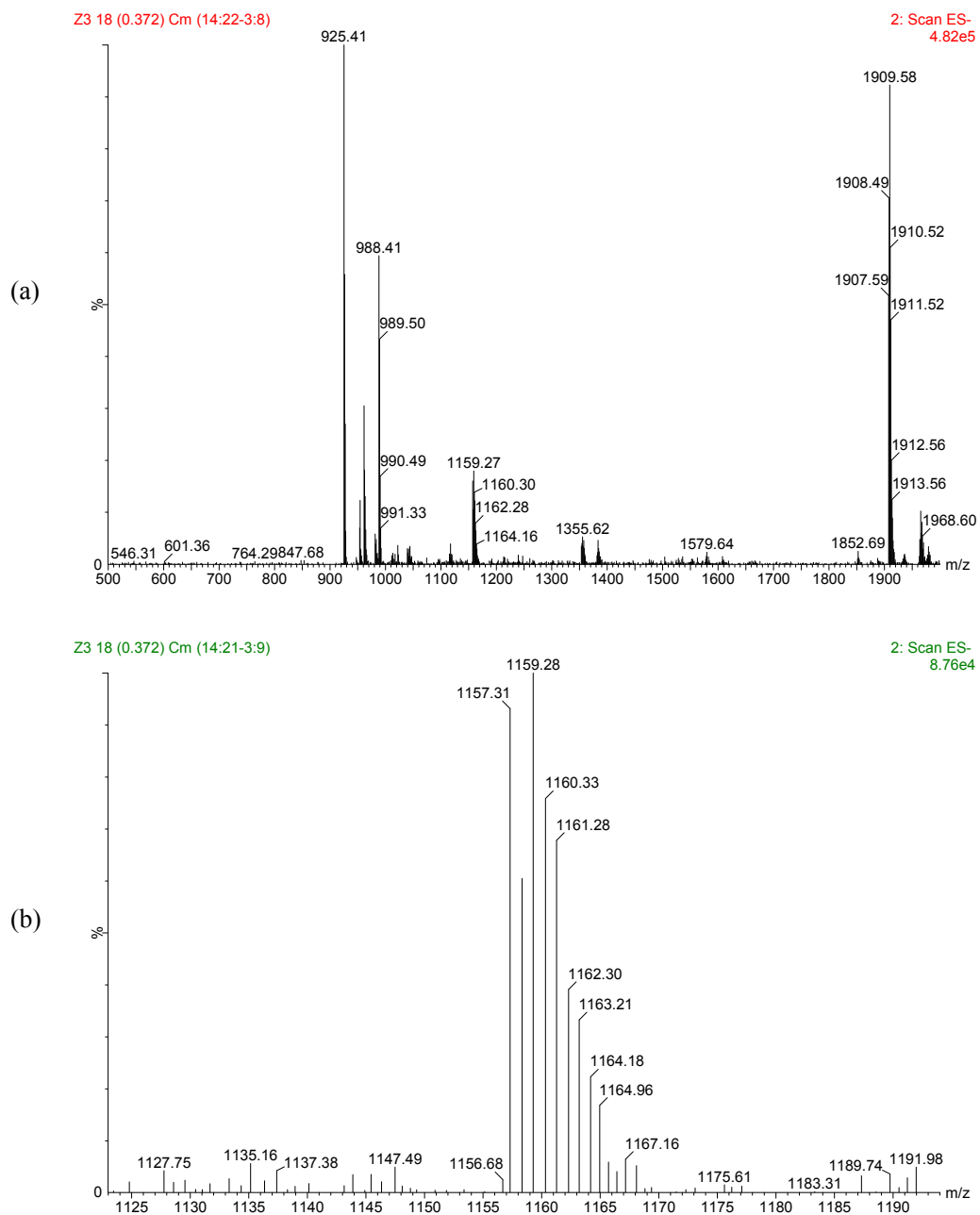
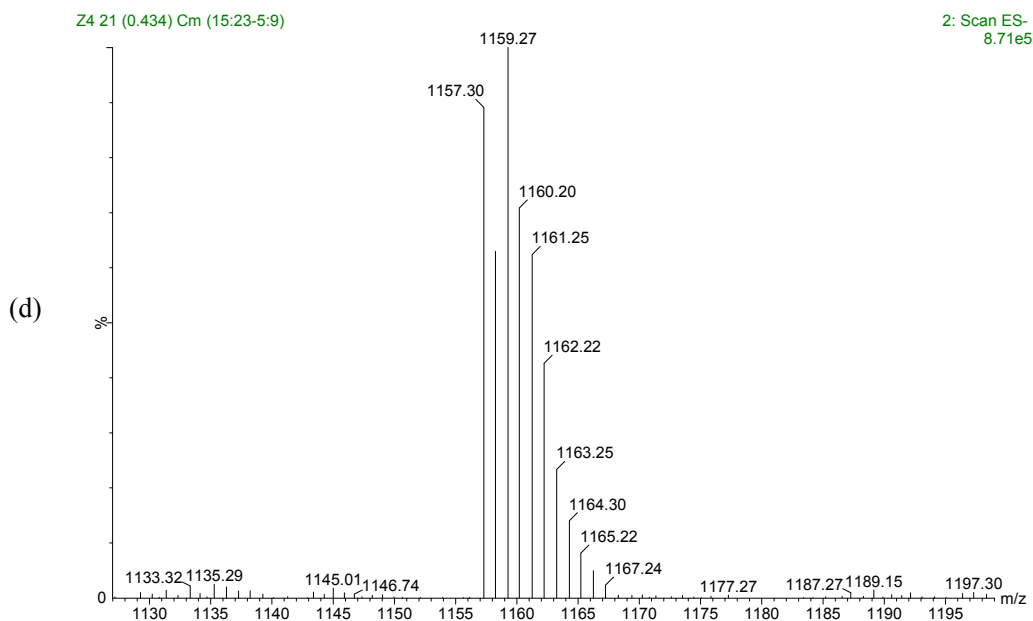
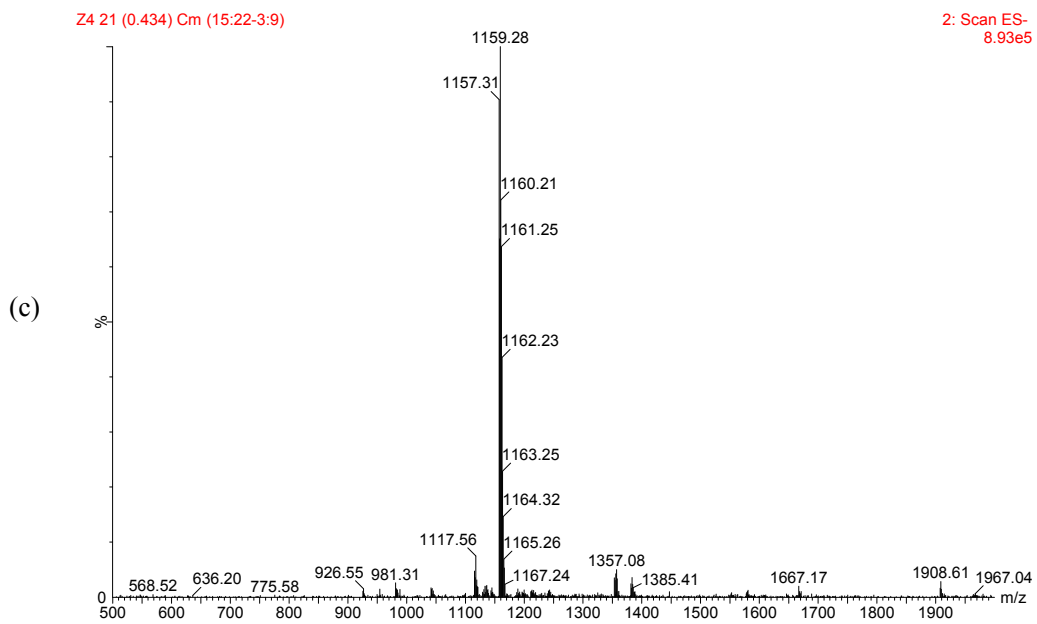


Figure S1. ESI-MS of $Ni(OAc)_2/L4 = 1:1$ mixture generated in THF (a, b)



Calcd. $C_{53}H_{49}N_6Ni_2O_{13}S_2$ [$M_{L4} - 2H + Ni_2(OAc)_2 - H$] $^-$: 1157.15

Found: 1157.30

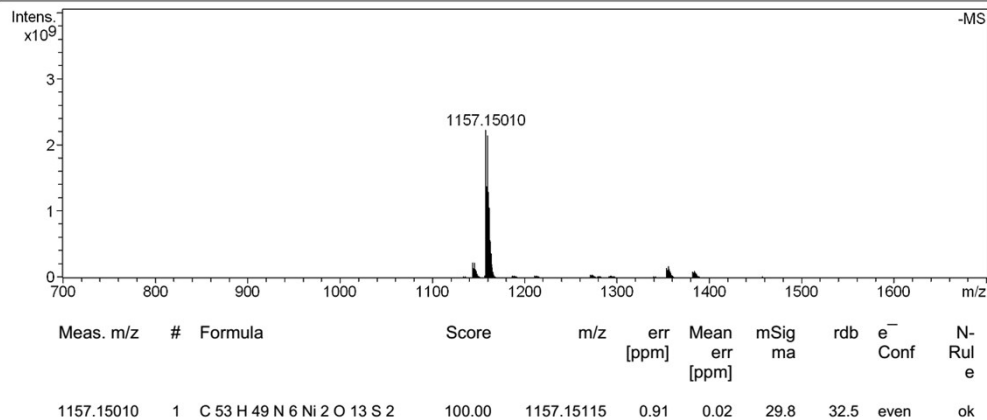
Figure S2. ESI-MS of $Ni(OAc)_2/L4 = 2:1$ mixture generated in THF (c, d)

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(e)



Calcd. C₅₃H₄₉N₆Ni₂O₁₃S₂ [M_{L4} -2H + Ni₂(OAc)₂ -H]⁻: 1157.15115

Found: 1157.15010

Figure S3. ESI-HRMS of Ni(OAc)₂/L4 = 2:1 mixture generated in THF (e)

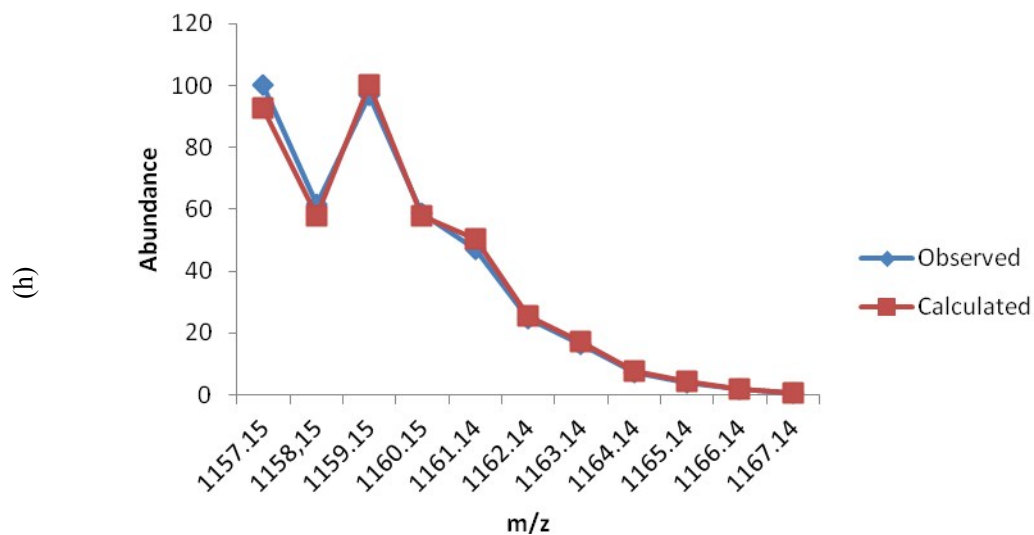
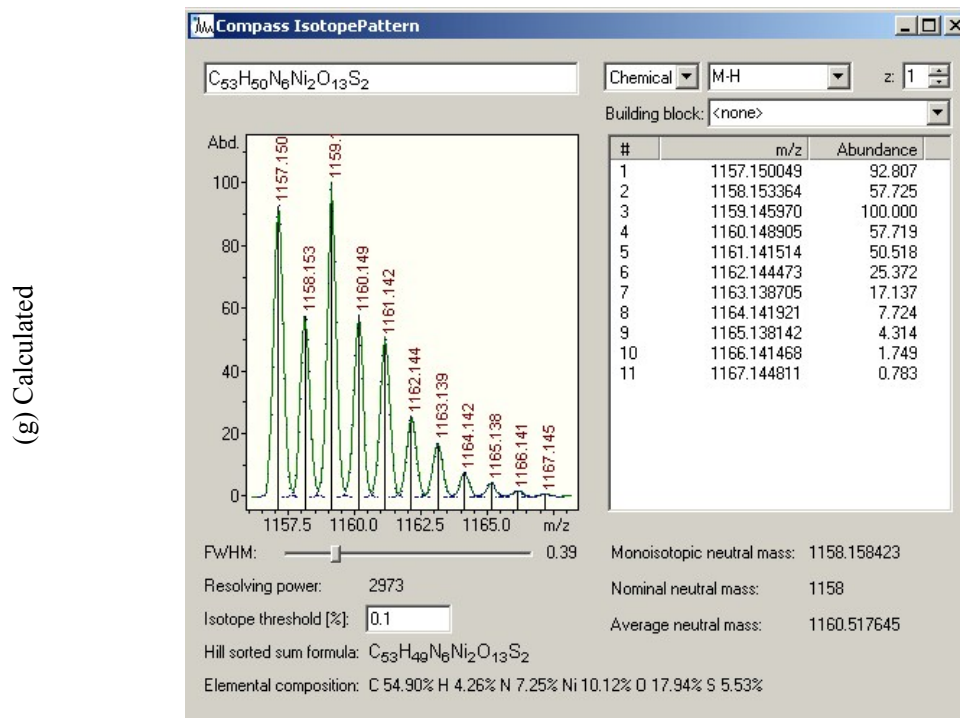
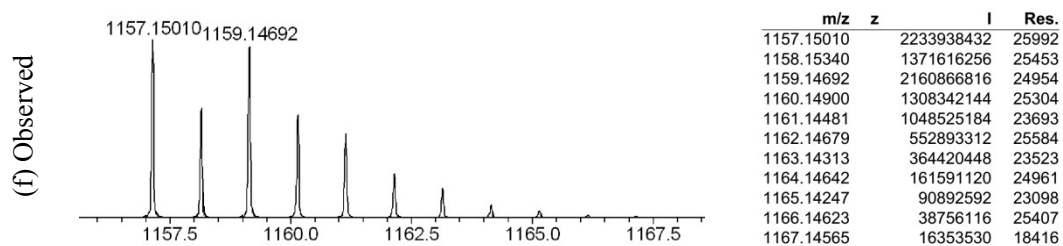


Figure S4. The observed distribution pattern of m/z 1157 and the calculated distribution pattern of C53H49N6Ni2O13S2 (f, g, h)

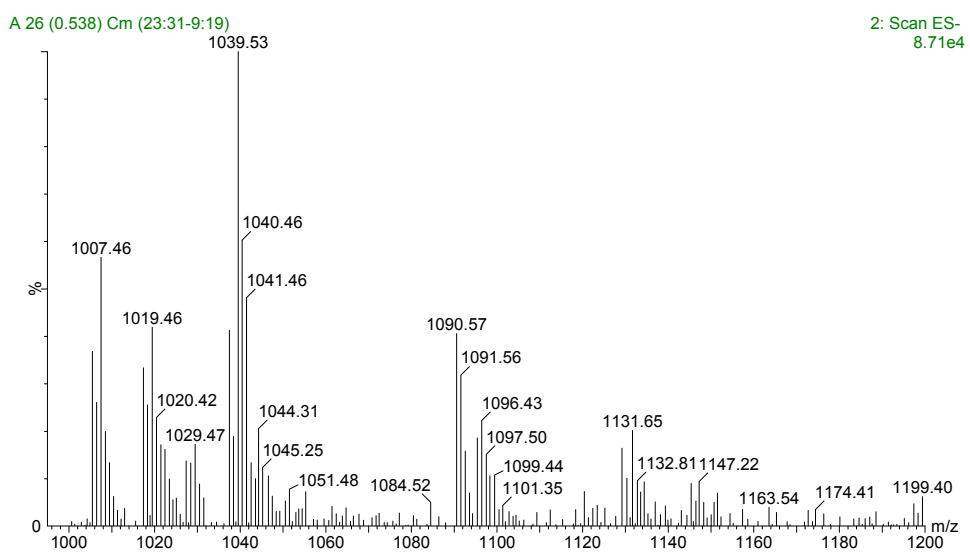
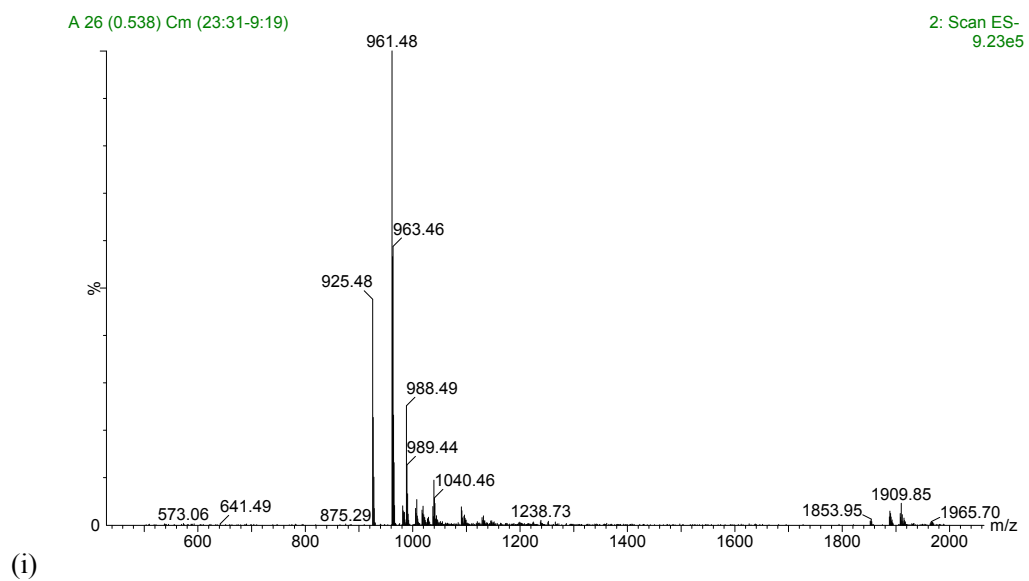


Figure S5. ESI-MS of Ni(OAc)₂/L4 = 2:1 mixture generated in CH₂Cl₂ (i)

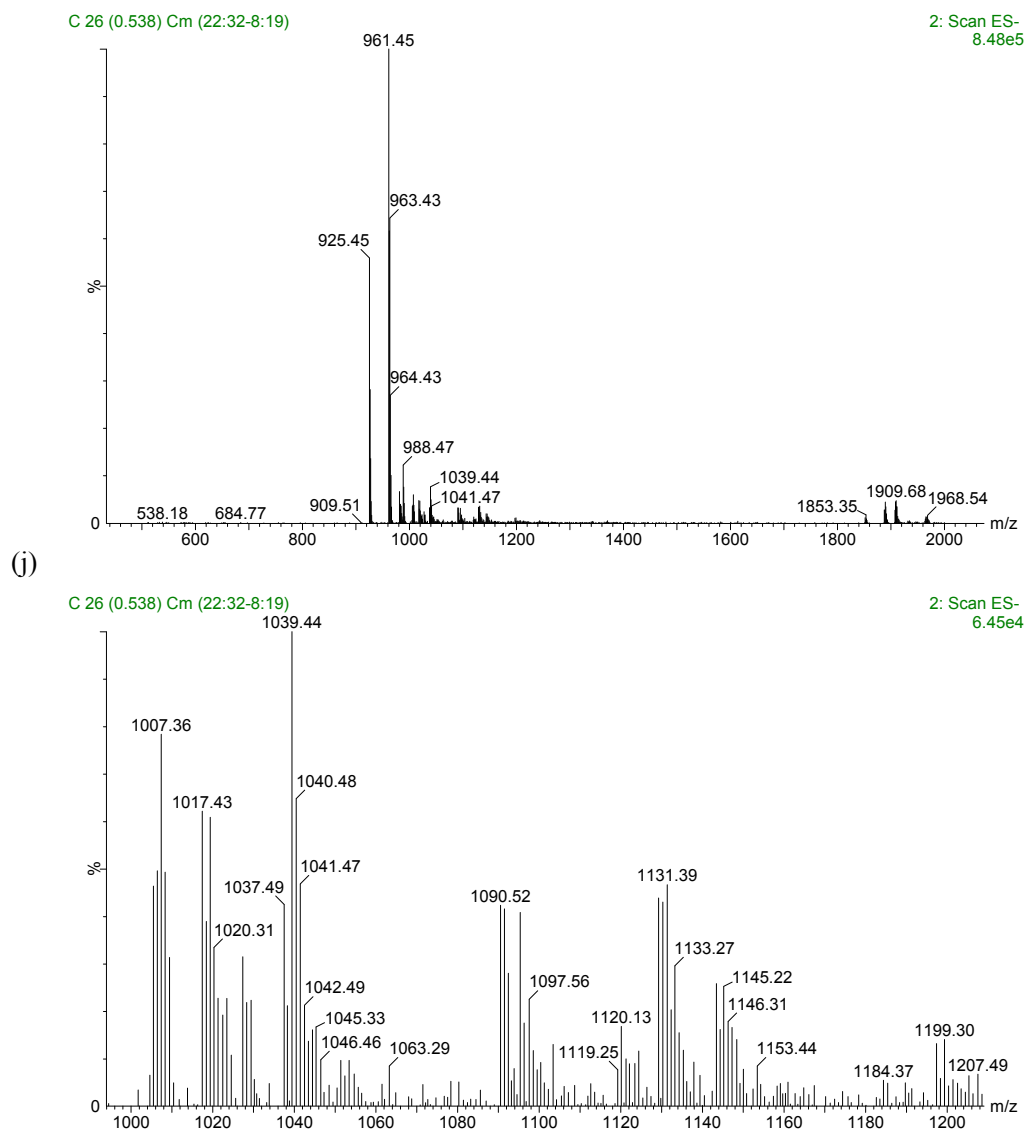


Figure S6. ESI-MS of Ni(OAc)₂/L4 = 2:1 mixture generated in toluene (j)

6.2 The structure of the dinuclear Ni-aminophenol sulfonamide complex optimized by DFT

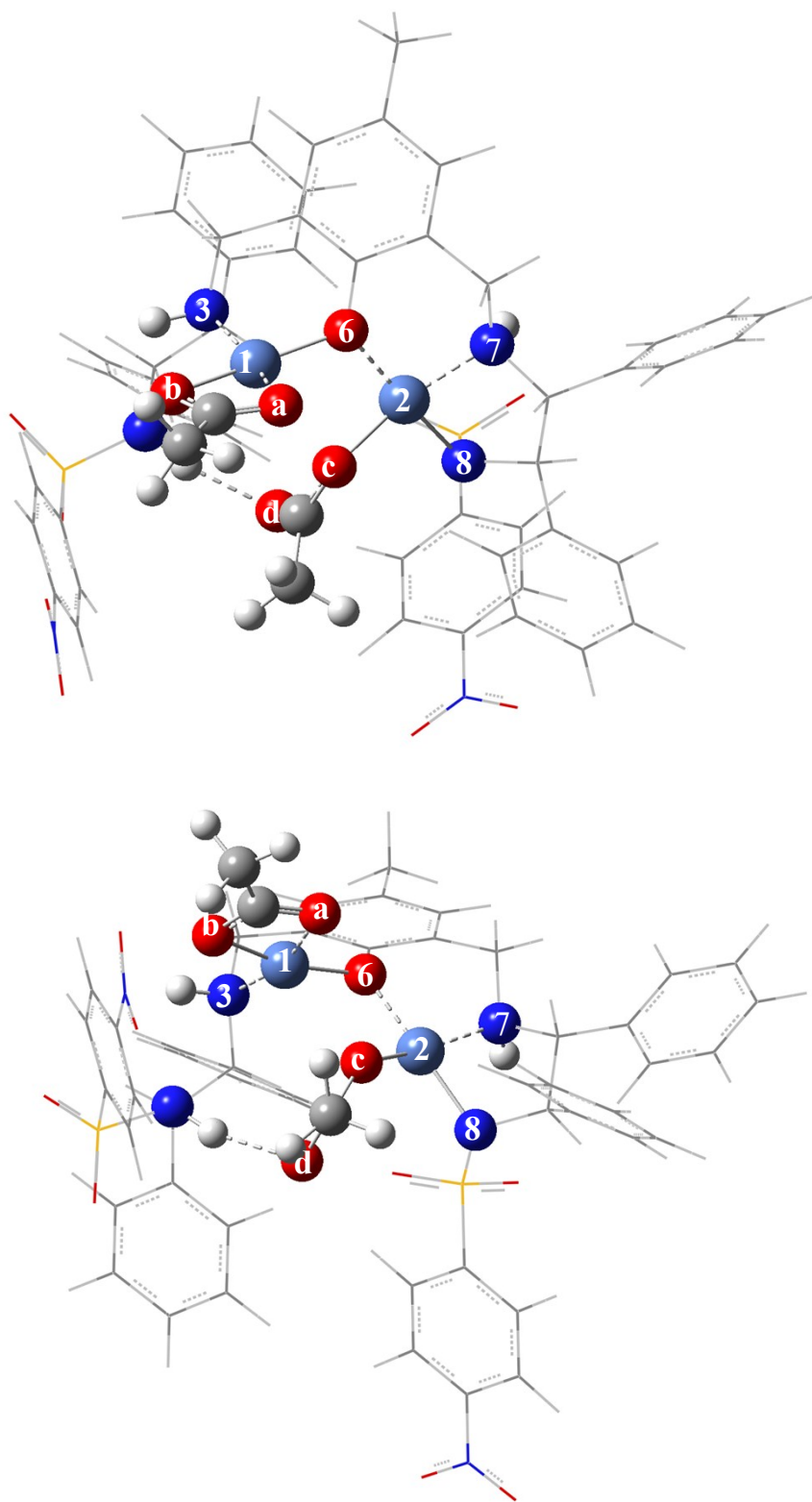


Figure S7. The geometry of Ni₂/L₄ optimized by density functional theory (DFT)

Computational Methods: DFT calculations were carried out using the Gaussian 09 software package^[2]. Considering both the desired precision of structures and available computer resources, the geometry optimizations were performed using the Becke's three-parameter nonlocal exchange function^[3] and the Lee, Yang, and Parr nonlocal correlation function (LYP)^[4] at a mixed basis set level. The Lan2DZ basis set^[5] with the associated effective core potential was used for Ni, while the 6-31G(d) basis set^[6] was used for all other atoms (C, H, O, N, S).

6.2.1 Selected bond length (nm)

Ni ₁ -N ₃	Ni ₁ -O _a	Ni ₁ -O ₆	Ni ₂ -O ₆	Ni ₂ -N ₇	Ni ₂ -N ₈	Ni ₂ -O _c	Ni ₁ -O _b	Ni ₁ -Ni ₂
0.1962	0.1955	0.1878	0.1932	0.1948	0.1917	0.1893	0.1916	0.3185

6.2.2 Selected dihedral angles (°)

\angle Ni ₁ N ₃ N ₄ O ₅	\angle N ₃ N ₄ O ₅ O ₆	\angle Ni ₂ O ₆ N ₇ N ₈	\angle O ₆ N ₇ N ₈ O ₉	\angle Ni ₁ O ₆ Ni ₂ O ₉	\angle N ₃ N ₄ O ₆ O ₉	\angle N ₃ Ni ₁ O ₆ Ni ₂
123.71	-13.90	4.11	68.74	91.42	-121.54	-107.89

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7. The X-ray data for 2k

Crystal data for **2k**: $C_{21}H_{24}BrNO_6S$, $M = 498.38$, $a = 9.7594(11) \text{ \AA}$, $b = 12.6345(14) \text{ \AA}$, $c = 17.835(2) \text{ \AA}$, $\alpha = 90^\circ$, $\beta = 90^\circ$, $\gamma = 90^\circ$, $V = 2199.1(4) \text{ \AA}^3$, $T = 100(2) \text{ K}$, space group $P212121$, $Z = 4$, $\mu(\text{MoK}\alpha) = 2.001 \text{ mm}^{-1}$, 24629 reflections measured, 6517 independent reflections ($R_{int} = 0.0415$). The final R_1 values were 0.0446 ($I > 2\sigma(I)$). The final $wR(F^2)$ values were 0.1001 ($I > 2\sigma(I)$). The final R_1 values were 0.0596 (all data). The final $wR(F^2)$ values were 0.1059 (all data). The goodness of fit on F^2 was 1.072. Flack parameter = 0.020(4).

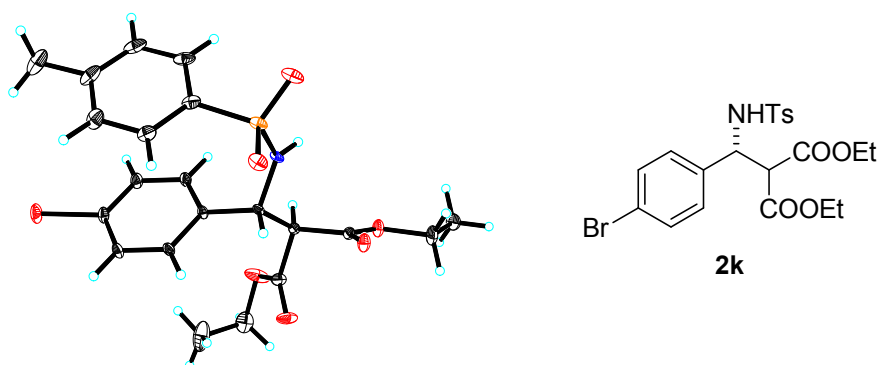


Figure S8. View of a molecule of **2k** with the atom-labeling scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 30% probability level.

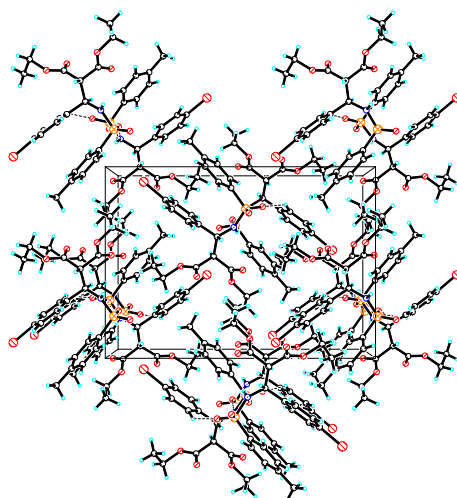


Figure S7. View of the pack drawing of **2k**. Hydrogen-bonds are shown as dashed

lines.

8. Postulated working model

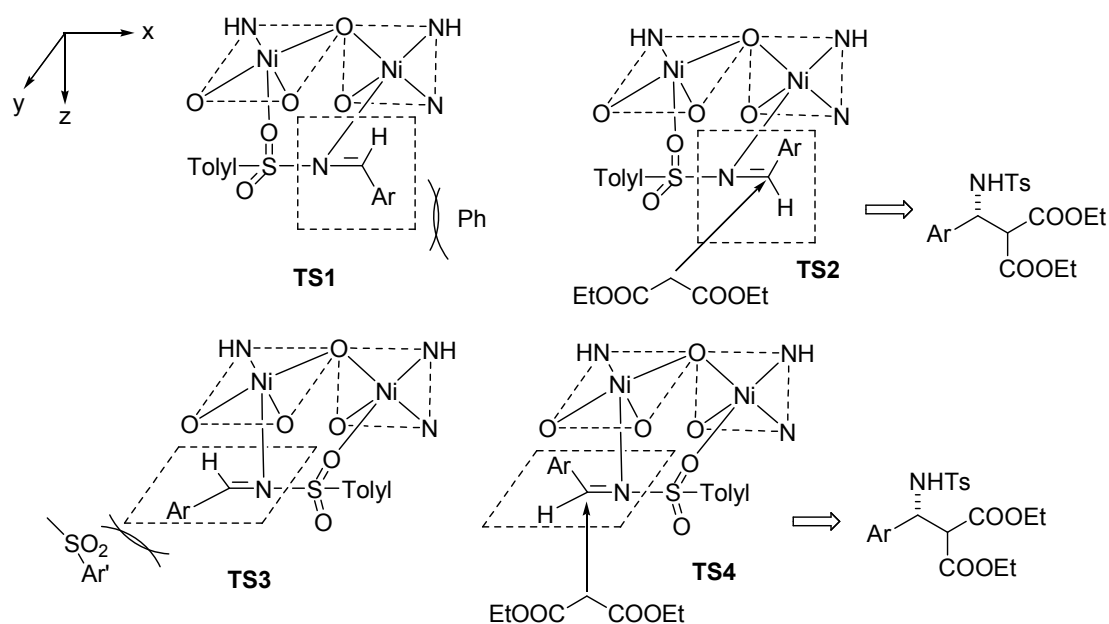
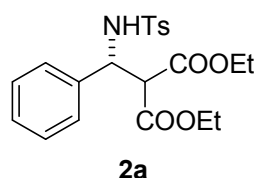


Figure S8. The proposed working model

Based on the geometry of Ni₂/L₄ optimized by DFT and the absolute configuration of the products, four plausible transition states **TS1-4** (Figure S8) were proposed to elucidate the asymmetric induction. **TS2** and **TS4** were speculated to be more favorable than **TS1** or **TS3** due to the steric repulsion between Ar and the complex, affording (*R*)-**2**.

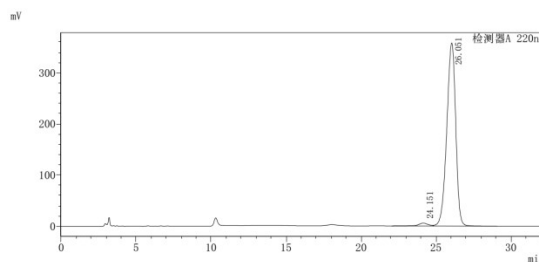
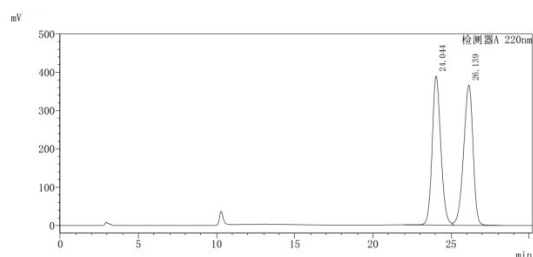
9. Characterization of products

The absolute configuration of **2k** was determined by X-ray crystallographic analysis. The absolute configuration of **2a-2j**, **2l-2n** was determined by analogy.

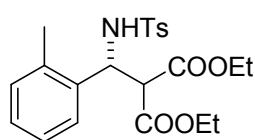


2a: White solid; 1.975 g, 94% yield, 96% *ee*; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = +29.6$ (*c* 0.69, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.49 (d, *J* = 7.7, 2H), 7.10 (s, 5H), 7.04 (d, *J* = 7.7, 2H), 6.43 (d, *J* = 9.5, 1H), 5.16-5.13 (m, 1H), 4.15-3.95 (m, 4H), 3.76 (d, *J* = 5.6, 1H), 2.29 (s, 3H), 1.17-1.11 (m, 6H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.7, 165.4, 144.9, 136.8, 136.5, 128.1,

127.3, 126.7, 125.9, 125.7, 61.1, 60.9, 56.9, 56.0, 20.4, 12.8, 12.8; The *ee* was determined by HPLC analysis using a CHIRALPAK IA column, hexane/2-propanol 85/15, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm, t_{r} = 24.15 min (minor) and t_{r} = 26.05 min (major); ESI-HRMS Calcd for C₂₁H₂₅NNaO₆S⁺[M + Na]⁺: 442.1295, found 442.1293.

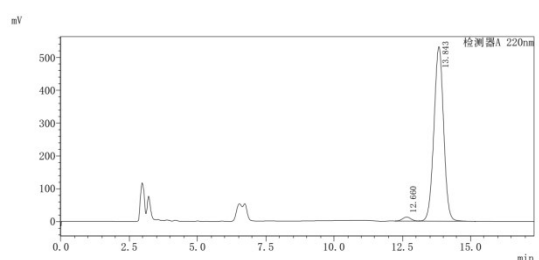
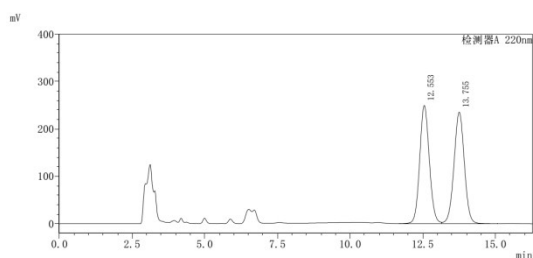


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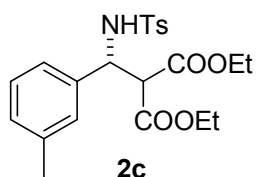


2b

2b: White solid; 2.121 g, 98% yield, 96% *ee*; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +22.9$ (c 0.87, CH_2Cl_2); $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.42 (d, $J = 7.9$, 2H), 7.01-6.97 (m, 5H), 6.87 (t, $J = 7.2$, 1H), 6.48 (d, $J = 9.1$, 1H), 5.39-5.36 (m, 1H), 4.17-4.02 (m, 4H), 3.67 (d, $J = 5.5$, 1H), 2.33 (s, 3H), 2.28 (s, 3H), 1.19-1.12 (m, 6H); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.9, 166.5, 142.9, 137.9, 135.6, 134.9, 130.5, 129.1, 127.7, 126.8, 126.5, 126.1, 62.2, 62.0, 56.4, 53.3, 21.4, 19.1, 13.9, 13.9; The *ee* was determined by HPLC analysis using a CHIRALPAK IA column, hexane/2-propanol 70/30, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm, $t_r = 12.66$ min (minor) and $t_r = 13.84$ min (major); ESI-HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{27}\text{NNaO}_6\text{S}^+ [\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$: 456.1451, found 456.1451.



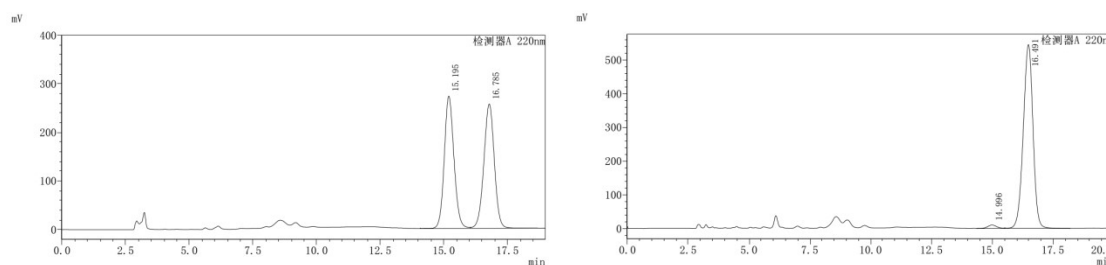
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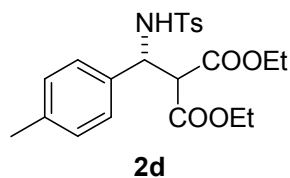
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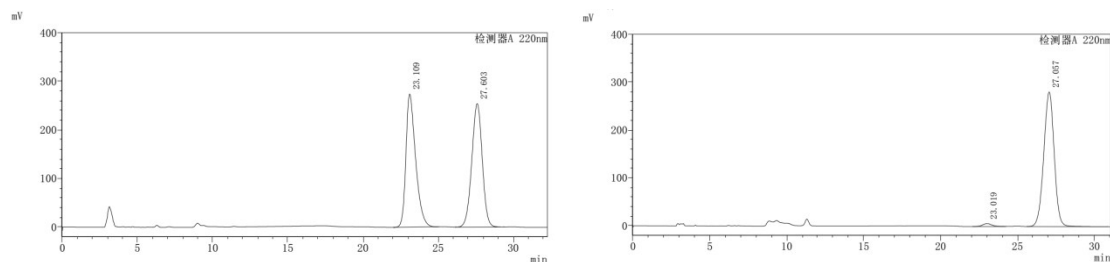
(m, 1H), 4.13-4.03 (m, 4H), 3.75 (d, $J = 5.5$, 1H), 2.31 (s, 3H), 2.14 (s, 3H), 1.20-1.12 (m, 6H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.8, 165.4, 141.8, 136.9, 136.8, 136.3, 128.0, 127.4, 127.2, 126.4, 126.0, 122.8, 61.1, 60.8, 56.8, 56.0, 20.3, 20.2, 12.9, 12.8; The *ee* was determined by HPLC analysis using a CHIRALPAK IA column, hexane/2-propanol 80/20, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm, $t_r = 14.99$ min (minor) and $t_r = 16.49$ min (major); ESI-HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{27}\text{NNaO}_6\text{S}^+ [\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$: 456.1451, found 456.1462.



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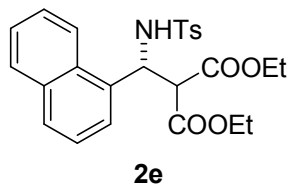


2d: White solid; 1.949 g, 90% yield, 96% *ee*; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +36.0$ (c 0.70, CH_2Cl_2); ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.49 (d, $J = 7.7$, 2H), 7.05 (d, $J = 7.7$, 2H), 6.97 (d, $J = 7.5$, 2H), 6.91 (d, $J = 7.6$, 2H), 6.35 (d, $J = 9.4$, 1H), 5.09 (t, $J = 7.4$, 1H), 4.14-3.96 (m, 4H), 3.74 (d, $J = 5.6$, 1H), 2.31(s, 3H), 2.23 (s, 3H), 1.15 (m, 6.53, 6H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.1, 164.8, 141.1, 136.2, 135.7, 132.9, 127.4, 127.3, 125.3, 125.0, 60.4, 60.2, 56.2, 55.1, 19.7, 19.3, 12.2, 12.2; The *ee* was determined by HPLC analysis using a CHIRALPAK IA column, hexane/2-propanol 80/20, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm, $t_r = 23.02$ min (minor) and $t_r = 27.06$ min (major); ESI-HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{27}\text{NNaO}_6\text{S}^+ [\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$: 456.1451, found 456.1443.

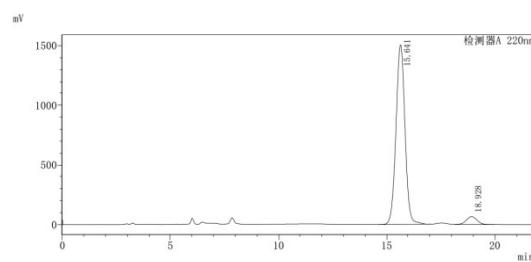
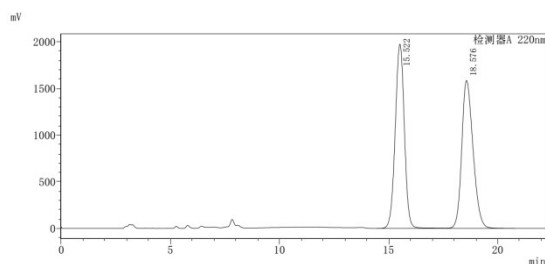


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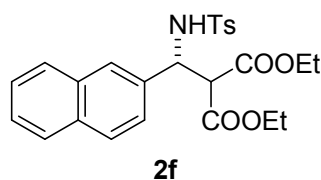
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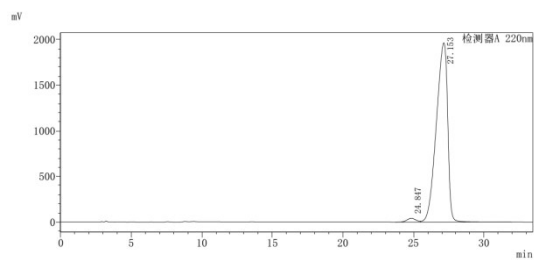
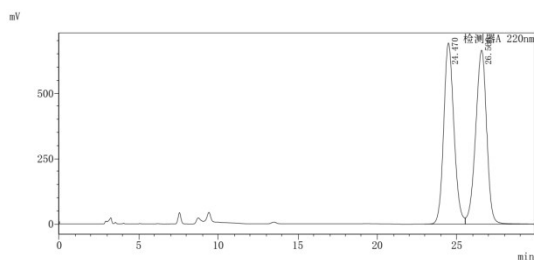
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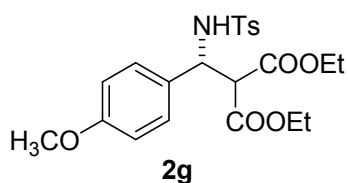
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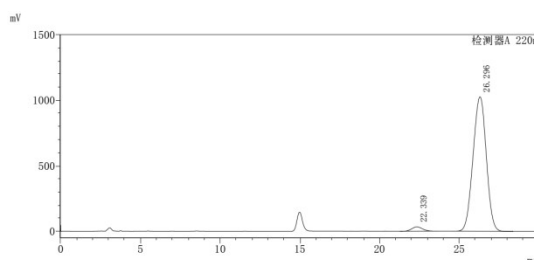
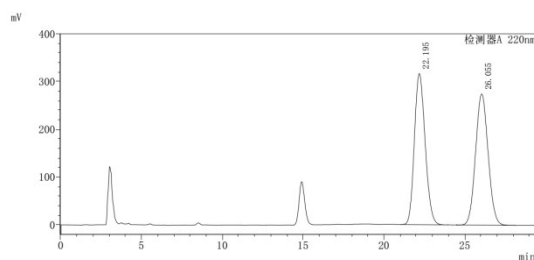
2f: White solid; 2.210 g, 94% yield, 97% *ee*; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +56.3$ (*c* 1.26, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.73-7.72 (m, 1H), 7.62-7.59 (m, 2H), 7.47-7.41 (m, 5H), 7.24 (d, *J* = 8.5, 1H), 6.86 (d, *J* = 7.8, 2H), 6.53 (d, *J* = 9.5, 1H), 5.34-5.31 (m, 1H), 4.16-4.01 (m, 4H), 3.89 (d, *J* = 5.5, 1H), 2.09 (s, 3H), 1.18 (t, *J* = 7.1, 3H), 1.12 (t, *J* = 7.1, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.8, 165.4, 141.9, 136.7, 133.5, 131.8, 131.6, 128.0, 127.2, 126.9, 126.4, 125.9, 125.4, 125.2, 125.1, 123.2, 61.2, 60.9, 56.7, 56.2, 20.1, 12.9, 12.8; The *ee* was determined by HPLC analysis using a CHIRALPAK IA column, hexane/2-propanol 80/20, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm, *t*_r = 24.85 min (minor) and *t*_r = 27.15 min (major); ESI-HRMS Calcd for C₂₅H₂₇NNaO₆S⁺ [M + Na]⁺: 492.1451, found 492.1439.



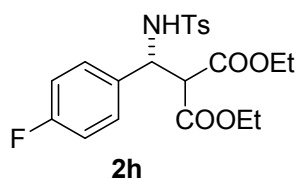
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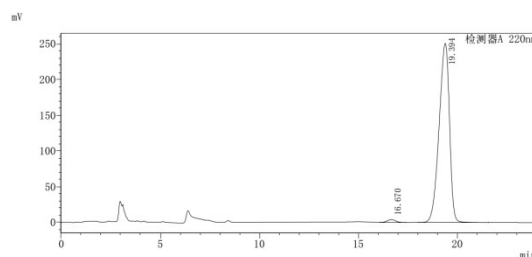
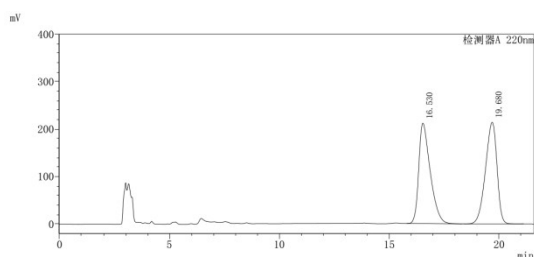


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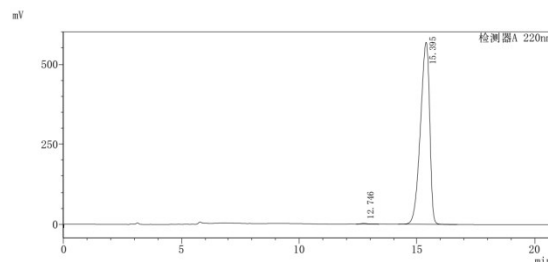
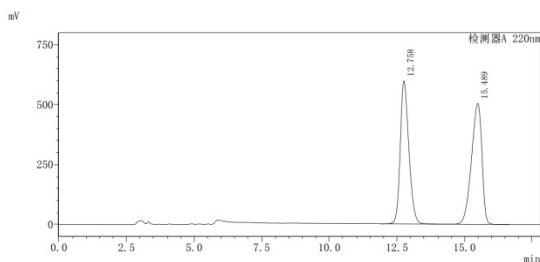
2h: White solid; 2.106 g, 96% yield, 97% *ee*; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +22.6$ (*c* 0.59, CH_2Cl_2); $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.48 (d, $J = 7.9$, 2H), 7.10-7.06 (m, 4H), 6.78 (t, $J = 8.4$, 2H), 6.45 (d, $J = 9.3$, 1H), 5.12-5.09 (m,

1H), 4.16-3.95 (m, 4H), 3.73 (d, $J = 6.2$, 1H), 2.31 (s, 3H), 1.14 (m, 6H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.6, 165.2, 161.1 (d, $J = 245.4$), 142.1, 136.7, 132.4 (d, $J = 3.0$), 128.2, 127.7, 127.7, 126.0, 114.2, 114.1, 61.1, 61.0, 56.9, 55.4, 20.4, 12.8; The *ee* was determined by HPLC analysis using a CHIRALPAK IA column, hexane/2-propanol 70/30, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm, $t_r = 16.67$ min (minor) and $t_r = 19.39$ min (major); ESI-HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{24}\text{FNNaO}_6\text{S}^+ [\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$: 460.1201, found 460.1208.

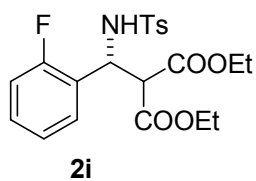


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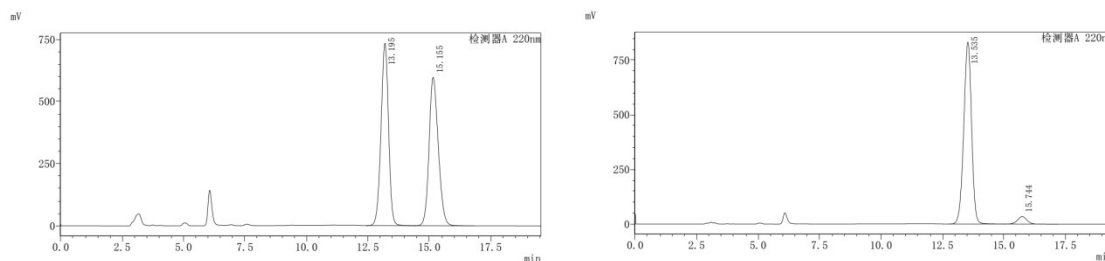


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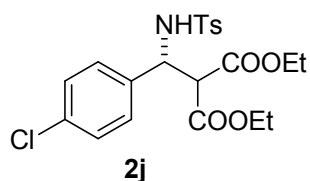


2i: White solid; 2.078 g, 95% yield, 91% *ee*; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = +21.6$ (c 2.20, CH_2Cl_2); ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.50 (d, $J = 7.8$, 2H), 7.12-7.09 (m, 2H), 7.03 (d, $J = 7.8$, 2H), 6.86-6.80 (m, 2H), 6.27 (d, $J = 9.9$, 1H), 5.36-5.33 (m, 1H), 4.14-3.90 (m, 4H), 3.84 (d, $J = 6.5$, 1H), 2.26 (s, 3H), 1.14-1.08 (m, 6H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.3, 165.1, 158.7 (d, $J = 244.6$), 142.1, 136.6,

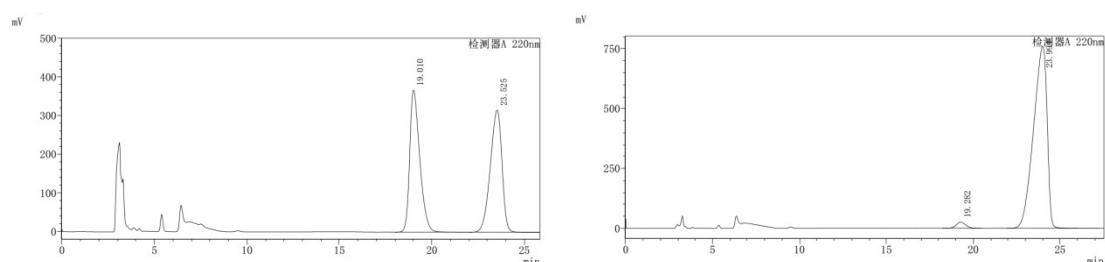
128.6 (d, $J = 8.4$), 128.2, 128.1 (d, $J = 3.4$), 126.0, 123.7 (d, $J = 12.6$), 123.0 (d, $J = 3.2$), 114.3 (d, $J = 21.4$), 61.1, 60.9, 55.4, 50.9, 20.3, 12.8, 12.8 ppm. The *ee* was determined by HPLC analysis using a CHIRALPAK IA column, hexane/2-propanol 70/30, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm, $t_r = 13.54$ min (major) and $t_r = 15.74$ min (minor); ESI-HRMS Calcd for $C_{21}H_{24}FNNaO_6S^+ [M + Na]^+$: 460.1201, found 460.1209.



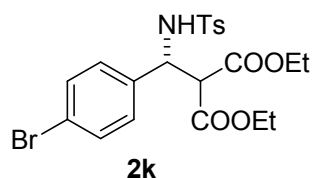
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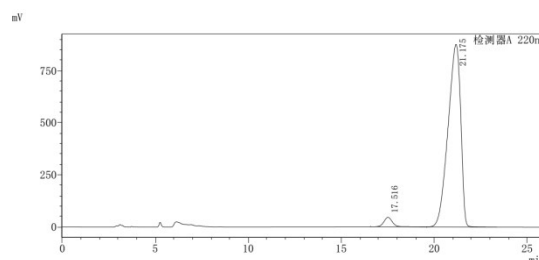
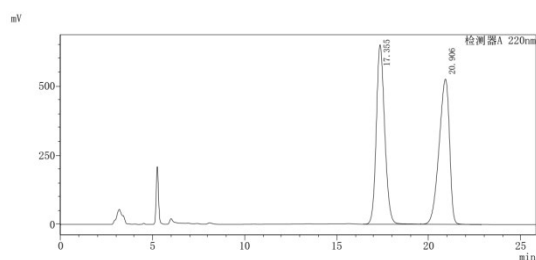
2j: White solid; 2.256 g, 99% yield, 95% *ee*; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +29.8$ (c 0.88, CH_2Cl_2); 1H NMR (500 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.46 (d, $J = 8.0$, 2H), 7.06-7.03 (m, 6H), 6.48 (d, $J = 9.4$, 1H), 5.10-5.07 (m, 1H), 4.16-3.94 (m, 4H), 3.74 (d, $J = 6.4$, 1H), 2.31 (s, 3H), 1.13 (m, 6H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 166.4, 165.2, 142.2, 136.7, 135.2, 132.6, 128.2, 127.5, 127.4, 126.0, 61.1, 61.1, 56.7, 55.5, 20.4, 12.8; The *ee* was determined by HPLC analysis using a CHIRALPAK IA column, hexane/2-propanol 70/30, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm, $t_r = 19.28$ min (minor) and $t_r = 23.99$ min (major); ESI-HRMS Calcd for $C_{21}H_{24}ClNNaO_6S^+ [M + Na]^+$: 476.0905, found 476.0927.



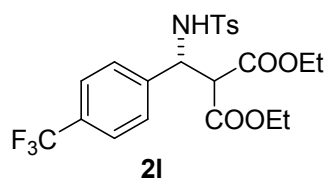
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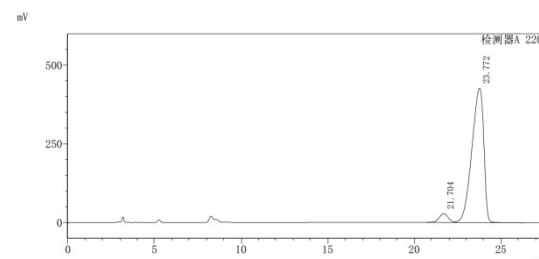
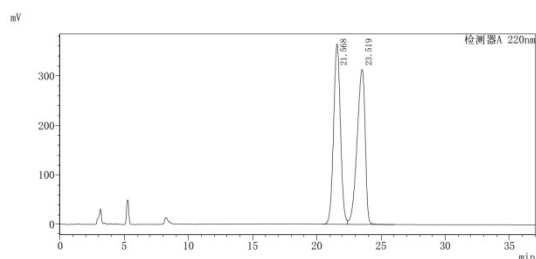
2k: White solid; 2.400 g, 96% yield, 93% *ee*; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +27.0$ (c 0.99, CH_2Cl_2); $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.47 (d, $J = 7.9$, 2H), 7.22 (d, $J = 8.2$, 2H), 7.07 (d, $J = 7.9$, 2H), 6.98 (d, $J = 8.2$, 2H), 6.43 (d, $J = 9.4$, 1H), 5.10-5.06 (m, 1H), 4.18-3.97 (m, 4H), 3.72 (d, $J = 5.8$, 1H), 2.34 (s, 3H), 1.16 (m, 6H); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.6, 166.2, 143.3, 137.7, 136.7, 131.5, 129.3, 128.8, 127.0, 121.9, 62.3, 62.1, 57.6, 56.6, 21.5, 13.9, 13.9; The *ee* was determined by HPLC analysis using a CHIRALPAK IA column, hexane/2-propanol 70/30, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm, $t_r = 17.52$ min (minor) and $t_r = 21.18$ min (major); ESI-HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{24}\text{BrNNaO}_6\text{S}^+ [\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$: 520.0400, found 520.0393.



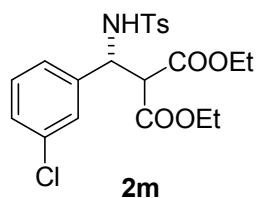
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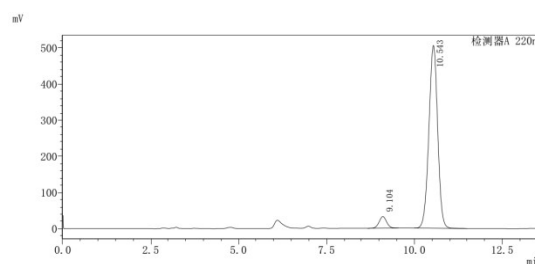
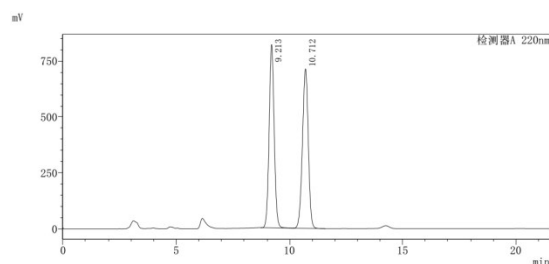
2l: White solid; 2.386 g, 98% yield, 90% *ee*; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +14.6$ (c 3.80, CH_2Cl_2); $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.44 (d, $J = 7.6$, 2H), 7.33 (d, $J = 7.7$, 2H), 7.22 (d, $J = 7.7$, 2H), 7.01 (d, $J = 7.7$, 2H), 6.57 (d, $J = 9.5$, 1H), 5.20-5.17 (m, 1H), 4.19-3.98 (m, 4H), 3.77 (d, $J = 5.7$, 1H), 2.28 (s, 3H), 1.15 (m, 6H); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.4, 165.1, 142.3, 140.5, 136.5, 128.2, 126.6, 125.9, 124.2 (d, $J = 3.7$), 61.3, 61.2, 56.5, 55.7, 20.2, 12.8, 12.8; The *ee* was determined by HPLC analysis using a CHIRALPAK IA column, hexane/2-propanol 80/20, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm, $t_r = 21.70$ min (minor) and $t_r = 23.77$ min (major); ESI-HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{24}\text{F}_3\text{NNaO}_6\text{S}^+ [\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$: 510.1167, found 510.1164.



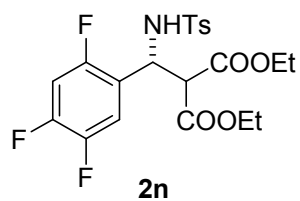
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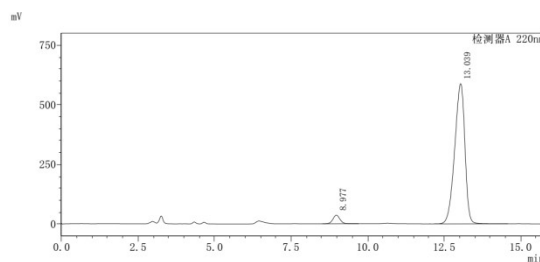
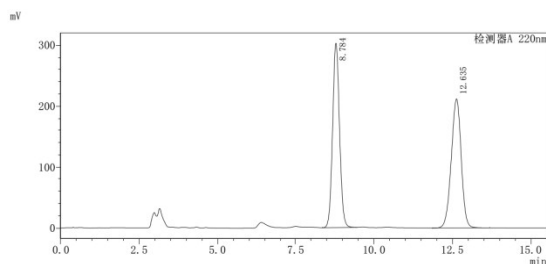
2m: White solid; 2.220 g, 98% yield, 90% *ee*; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +28.3$ (*c* 3.30, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.48 (d, *J* = 7.6, 2H), 7.08-7.04 (m, 5H), 6.96 (s, 1H), 6.42 (d, *J* = 9.3, 1H), 5.12-5.09 (m, 1H), 4.18-4.00 (m, 4H), 3.73 (d, *J* = 4.5, 1H), 2.32 (s, 3H), 1.20-1.14 (m, 6H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.6, 166.2, 143.3, 139.5, 137.6, 134.3, 129.7, 129.3, 128.0, 127.2, 127.0, 125.2, 62.4, 62.2, 57.6, 56.6, 21.5, 13.9, 13.9; The *ee* was determined by HPLC analysis using a CHIRALPAK IA column, hexane/2-propanol 70/30, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm, *t_r* = 9.10 min (minor) and *t_r* = 10.54 min (major); ESI-HRMS Calcd for C₂₁H₂₄ClNNaO₆S⁺ [M + Na]⁺: 476.0905, found 476.0907.



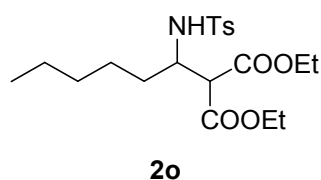
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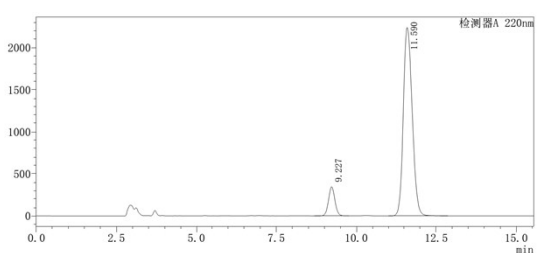
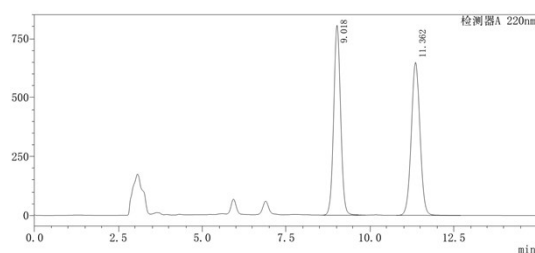
2n: White solid; 2.180 g, 92% yield, 92% *ee*; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +16.8$ (*c* 2.00, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.54 (d, *J* = 8.0, 2H), 7.12 (d, *J* = 7.9, 2H), 7.00-6.94 (m, 1H), 6.78-6.72 (m, 1H), 6.36 (d, *J* = 9.7, 1H), 5.30-5.26 (m, 1H), 4.18-3.95 (m, 4H), 3.79 (d, *J* = 6.3, 1H), 2.32 (s, 3H), 1.16 (m, 6H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.2, 164.9, 142.6, 136.4, 128.3, 125.9, 116.4 (d, *J* = 4.8), 116.2 (d, *J* = 4.9), 104.6, 104.4 (d, *J* = 6.7), 104.3, 61.3, 61.2, 55.0, 49.9, 20.3, 12.8; The *ee* was determined by HPLC analysis using a CHIRALPAK IA column, hexane/2-propanol 70/30, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm, *t_r* = 8.98 min (minor) and *t_r* = 13.04 min (major); ESI-HRMS Calcd for C₂₁H₂₂F₃NNaO₆S⁺ [M + Na]⁺: 496.1012, found 496.1003.



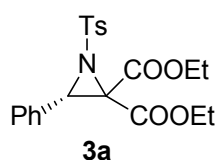
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2	13.039	13639619	587321	96.027



2o: White solid; 70.0 mg, 85% yield, 80% *ee*; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -18.7$ (*c* 0.46, CH_2Cl_2); $^1\text{H NMR}$ (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.70 (d, $J = 8.2$, 2H), 7.24 (d, $J = 7.9$, 2H), 5.52 (d, $J = 9.8$, 1H), 4.17-4.13 (m, 2H), 4.04-4.00 (m, 1H), 3.96-3.92 (m, 1H), 3.84-3.80 (m, 1H), 3.53 (d, $J = 4.0$, 1H), 2.37 (s, 3H), 1.55-1.49 (m, 1H), 1.47-1.41 (m, 1H), 1.25-1.20 (m, 5H), 1.16 (t, $J = 7.1$, 3H), 1.13-1.05 (m, 4H); 0.76 (t, $J = 7.0$, 3H); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (150 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 168.0, 167.4, 143.1, 138.5, 129.4, 126.9, 61.7, 61.6, 54.8, 53.5, 33.6, 31.1, 25.6, 22.3, 21.4, 13.9, 13.9, 13.8; The *ee* was determined by HPLC analysis using a CHIRALPAK IA column, hexane/2-propanol 85/15, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm, $t_r = 9.23$ min (minor) and $t_r = 11.59$ min (major); ESI-HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{31}\text{NNaO}_6\text{S}^+ [\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$: 436.1764, found 436.1761.

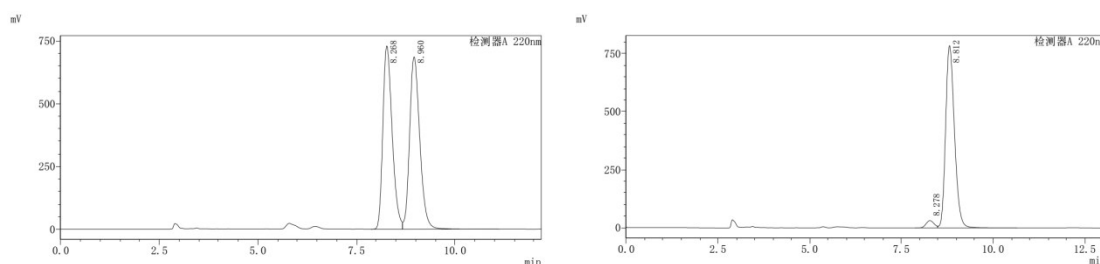


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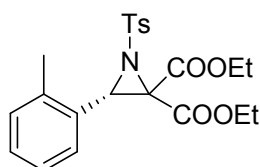


3a: Colorless oil; 78.0 mg, 93% yield, 93% *ee*; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -4.6$ (*c* 1.15, CH_2Cl_2); $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$) δ 7.93 (d, $J = 7.9$, 2H), 7.46 (d, $J = 7.8$, 2H), 7.29-7.24 (m, 5H), 4.91 (s, 1H), 4.32-4.31 (m, 2H), 3.91-3.90 (m, 2H), 2.39

(s, 3H), 1.27 (t, $J = 6.8$, 3H), 0.78 (t, $J = 6.8$, 3H); The *ee* was determined by HPLC analysis using a Chiralcel OD-H column, hexane/2-propanol 90/10, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm, $t_r = 8.28$ min (minor) and $t_r = 8.81$ min (major).

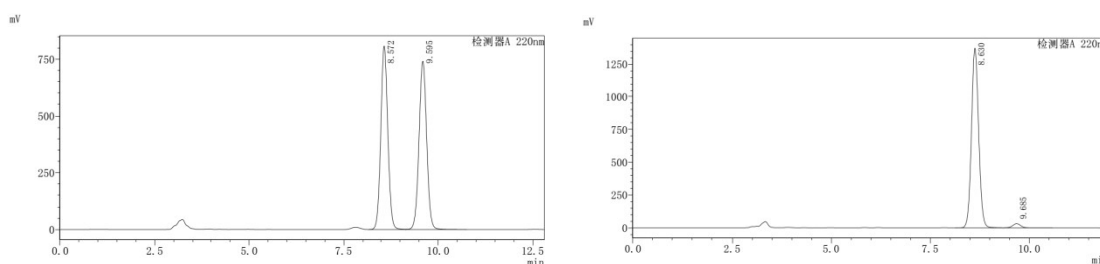


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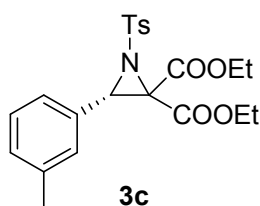


3b

3b: White solid; 77.7 mg, 90% yield, 94% *ee*; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +12.3$ (c 0.90 CH_2Cl_2); $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$) δ 7.96 (d, $J = 8.3$, 2H), 7.50 (d, $J = 8.1$, 2H), 7.21-7.15 (m, 2H), 7.04 (t, $J = 7.1$, 1H), 6.89 (d, $J = 7.7$, 1H), 4.83 (s, 1H), 4.31 (q, $J = 7.0$, 2H), 3.83 (q, $J = 7.1$, 2H), 2.41 (s, 3H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 1.26 (t, $J = 7.1$, 3H), 0.67 (t, $J = 7.1$, 3H) ppm. The *ee* was determined by HPLC analysis using a CHIRALPAK IA column, hexane/2-propanol 90/10, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm, $t_r = 8.63$ min (major) and $t_r = 9.69$ min (minor).



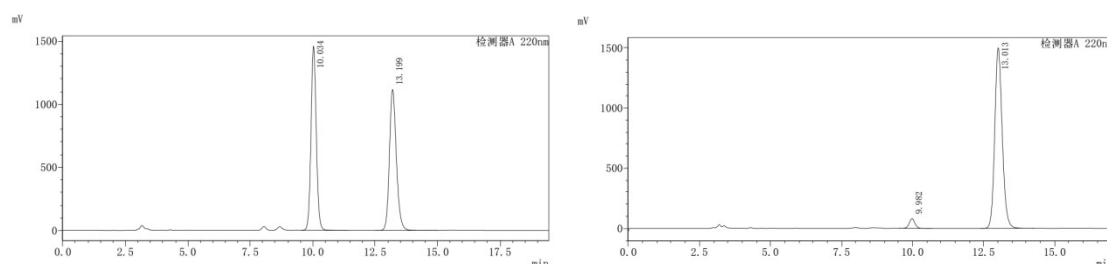
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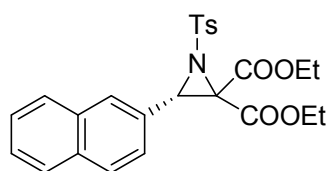
3c

3c: Colorless oil; 78.5 mg, 91% yield, 92% *ee*; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -5.4$ (c 0.94, CH_2Cl_2); $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$) δ 7.92 (d, $J = 7.7$, 2H), 7.47 (d, $J = 7.7$, 2H), 7.20-6.99 (m, 4H), 4.83 (s, 1H), 4.31-4.29 (m, 2H), 3.94-

3.92 (m, 2H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 2.21 (s, 3H), 1.26 (t, $J = 6.7$, 3H), 0.80 (t, $J = 6.7$, 3H); The *ee* was determined by HPLC analysis using a CHIRALPAK IA column, hexane/2-propanol 90/10, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm, $t_r = 9.98$ min (minor) and $t_r = 13.01$ min (major).

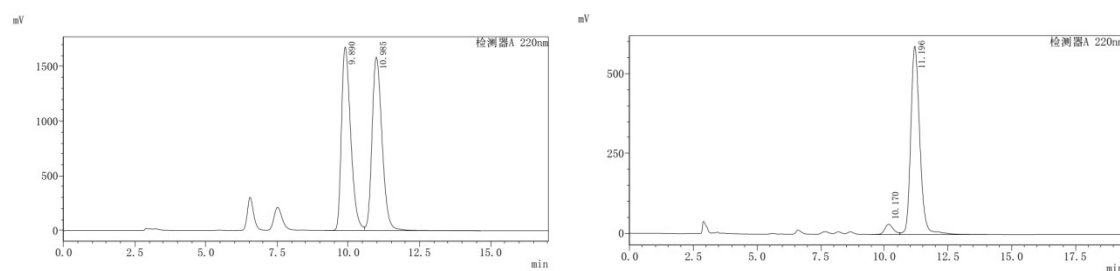


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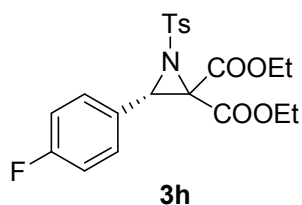


3f

3f: Colorless oil; 87.9 mg, 94% yield, 90% *ee*; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -4.8$ (c 0.66, CH_2Cl_2); $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$) δ 7.98 (d, $J = 8.3$, 2H), 7.87-7.82 (m, 4H), 7.51-7.47 (m, 4H), 7.34-7.32 (m, 1H), 5.07 (s, 1H), 4.39-4.28 (m, 2H), 3.93-3.81 (m, 2H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 1.28 (t, $J = 7.1$, 3H), 0.71 (t, $J = 7.1$, 3H); The *ee* was determined by HPLC analysis using a Chiralcel OD-H column, hexane/2-propanol 90/10, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm, $t_r = 10.17$ min (minor) and $t_r = 11.20$ min (major).



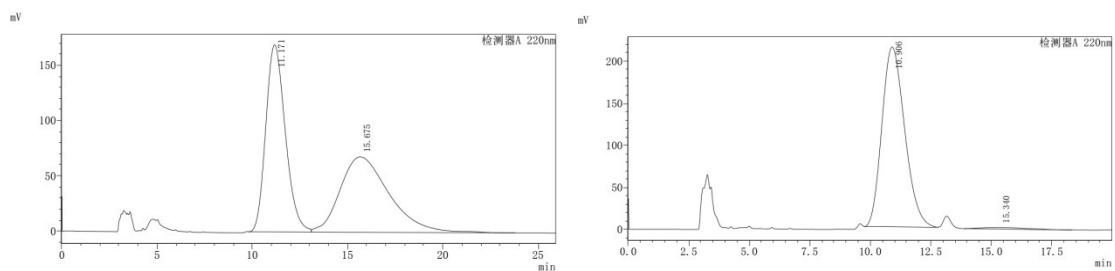
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3h

3h: Colorless oil; 81.2 mg, 93% yield, 96% *ee*; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -5.0$ (c 0.90, CH_2Cl_2); $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$) δ 7.93 (d, $J = 7.8$, 2H), 7.4 (d, $J = 7.7$, 2H), 7.36-7.26 (m, 2H), 7.13 (t, $J = 8.1$, 2H), 4.95 (s, 1H),

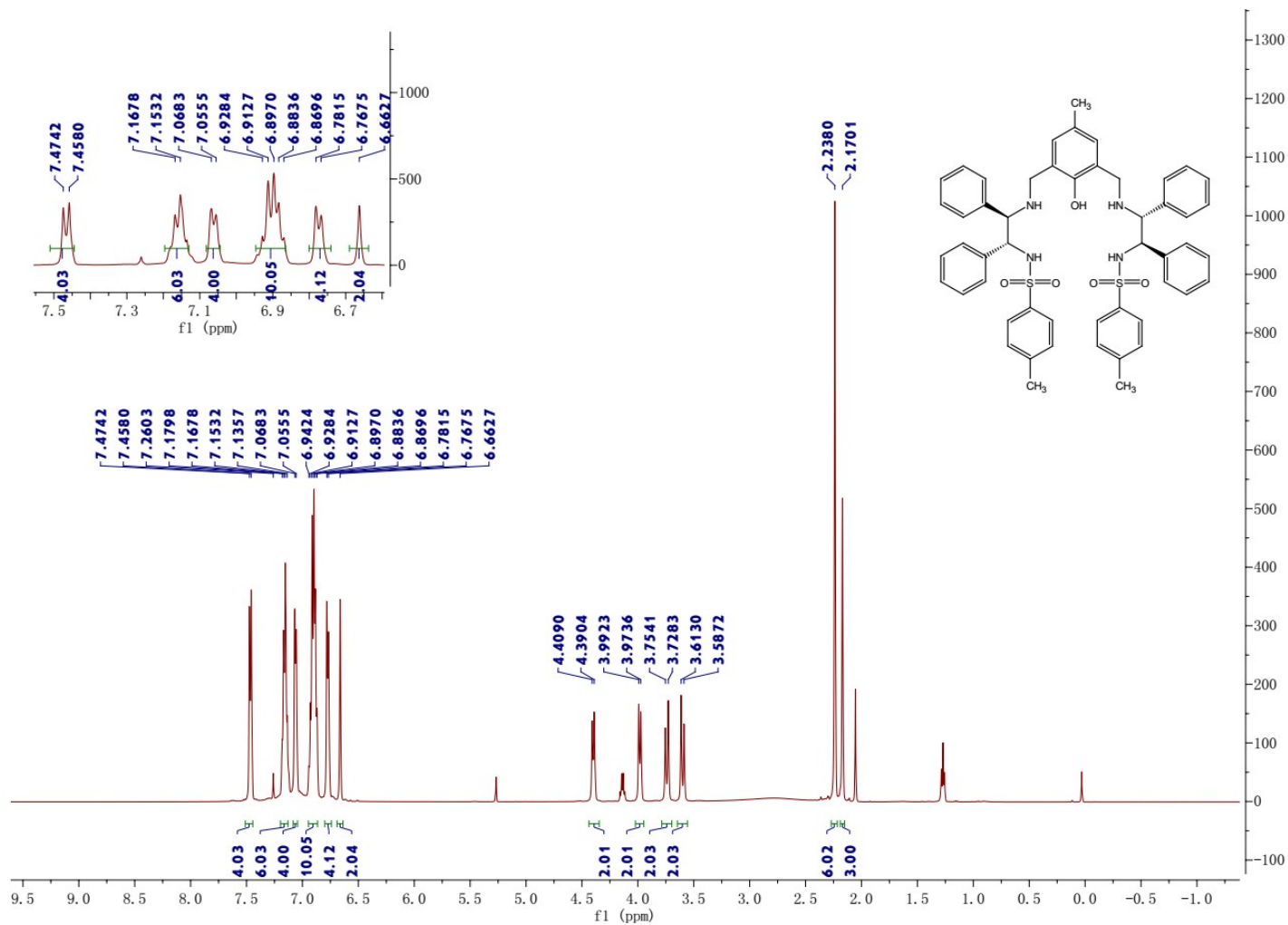
4.32-4.29 (m, 2H), 3.95-3.92 (m, 2H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 1.26 (t, $J = 6.9$, 3H), 0.81 (t, $J = 6.8$, 3H) ppm.
 The *ee* was determined by HPLC analysis using a Chiralcel OJ-H column, hexane/2-propanol 70/30, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm, $t_r = 10.91$ min (major) and $t_r = 15.34$ min (minor).



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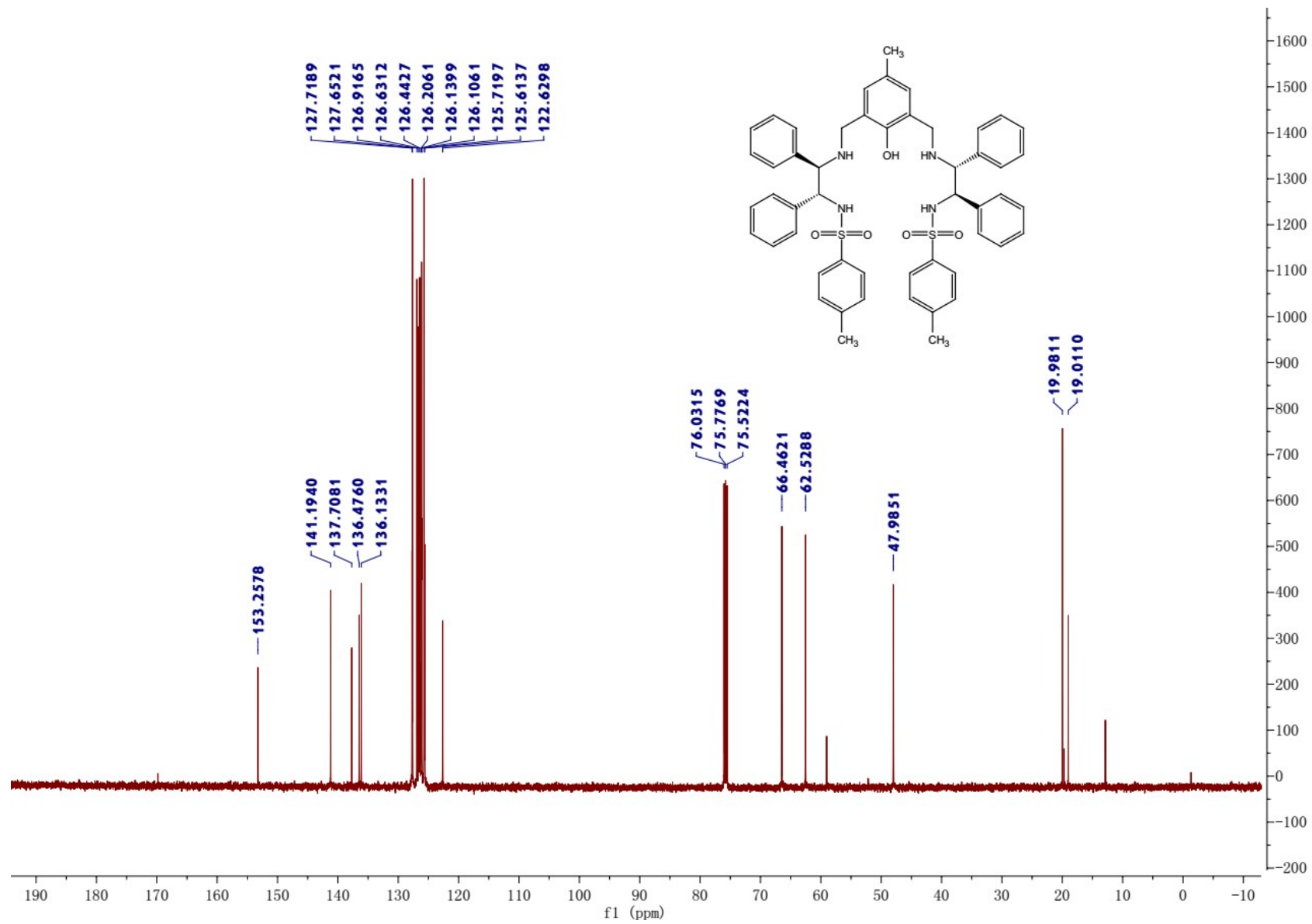
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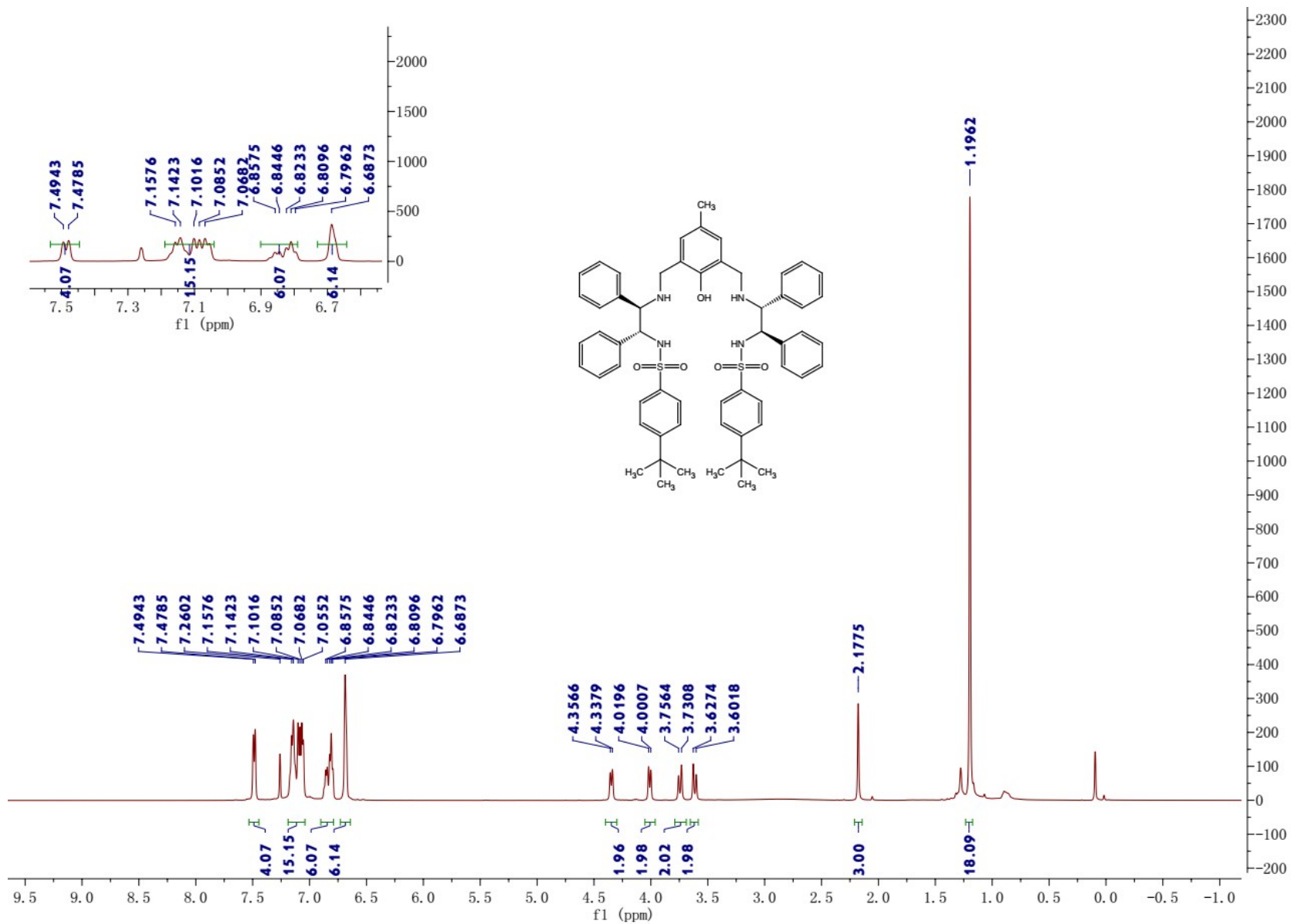
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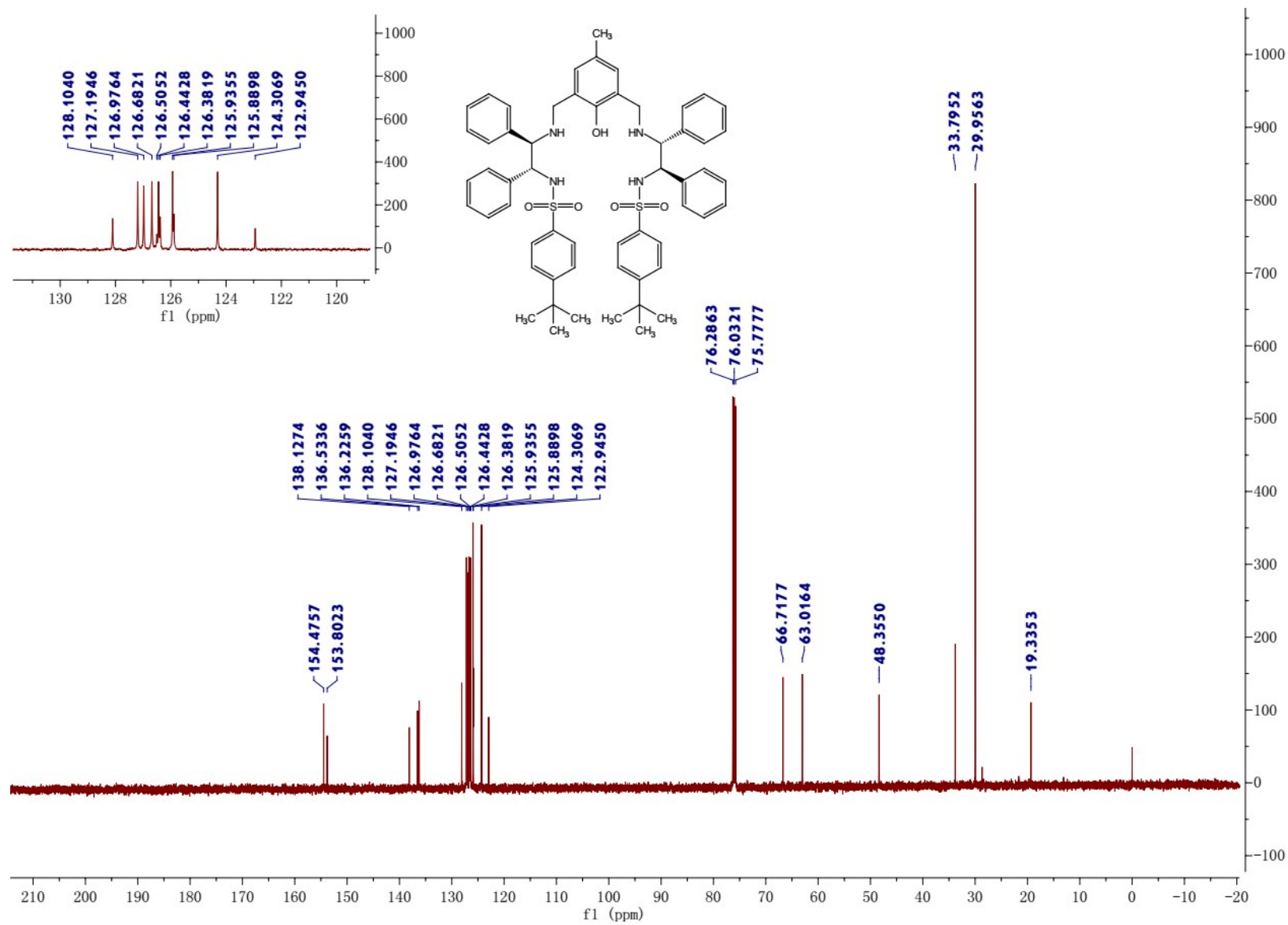
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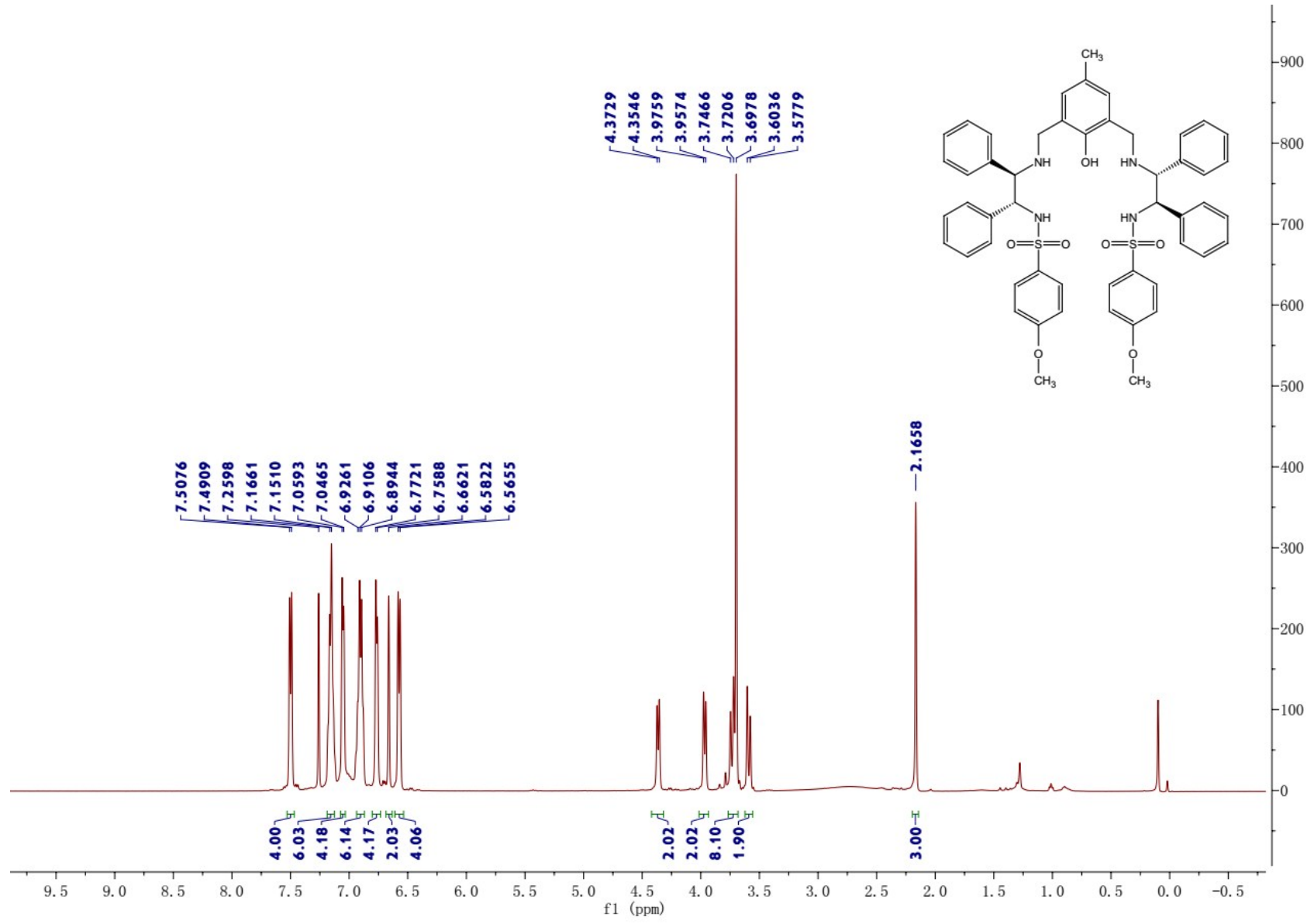


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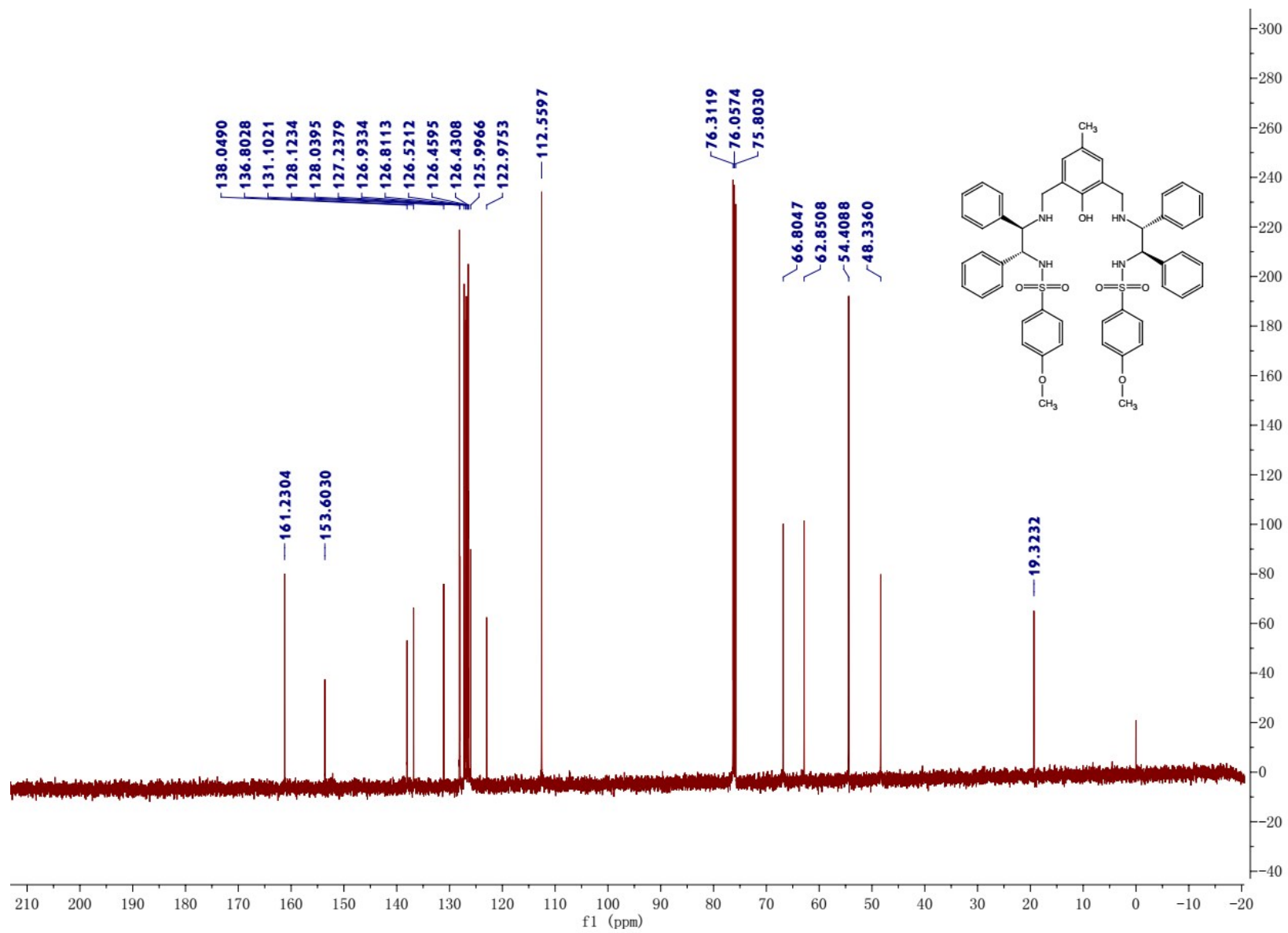


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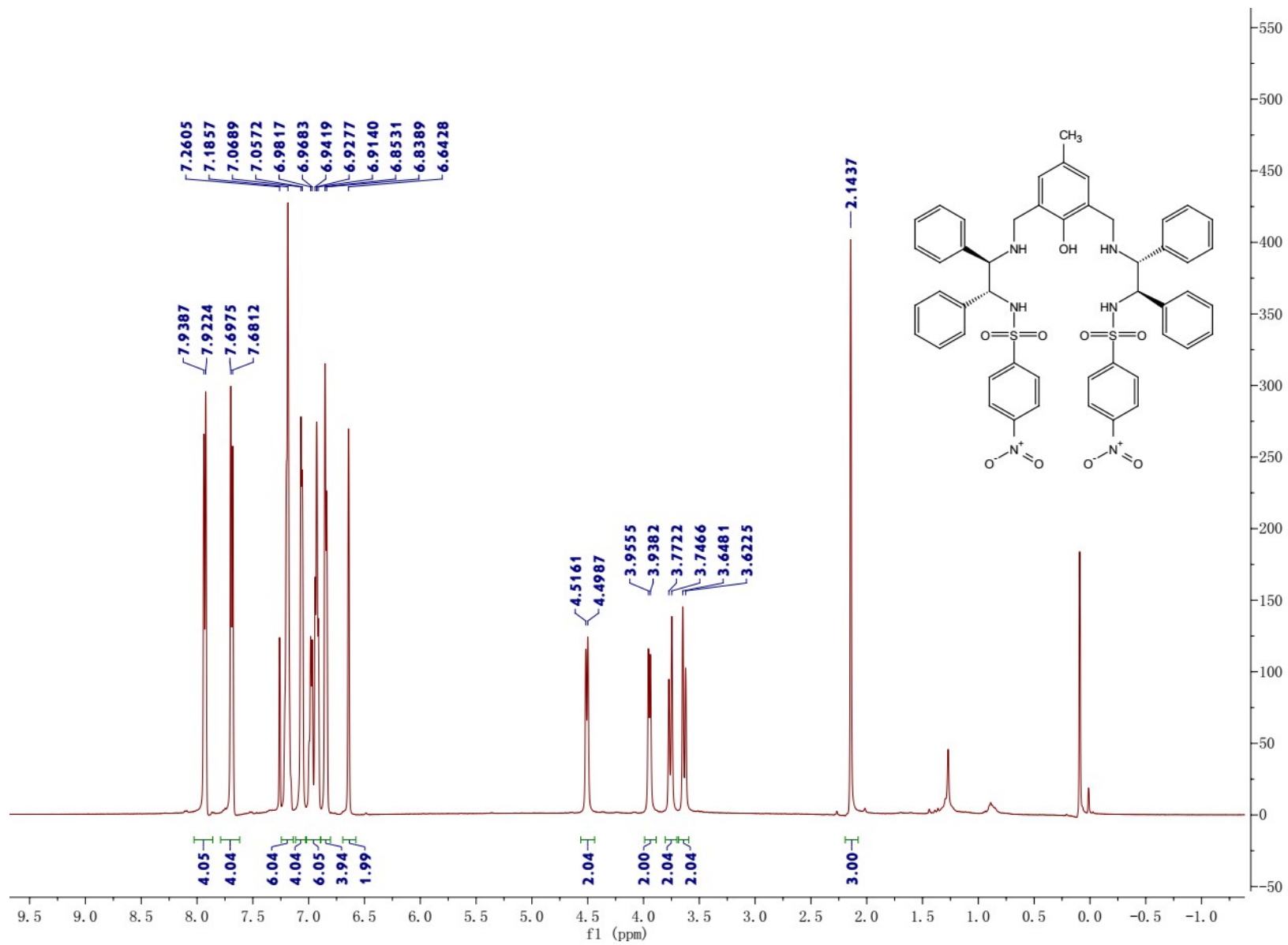
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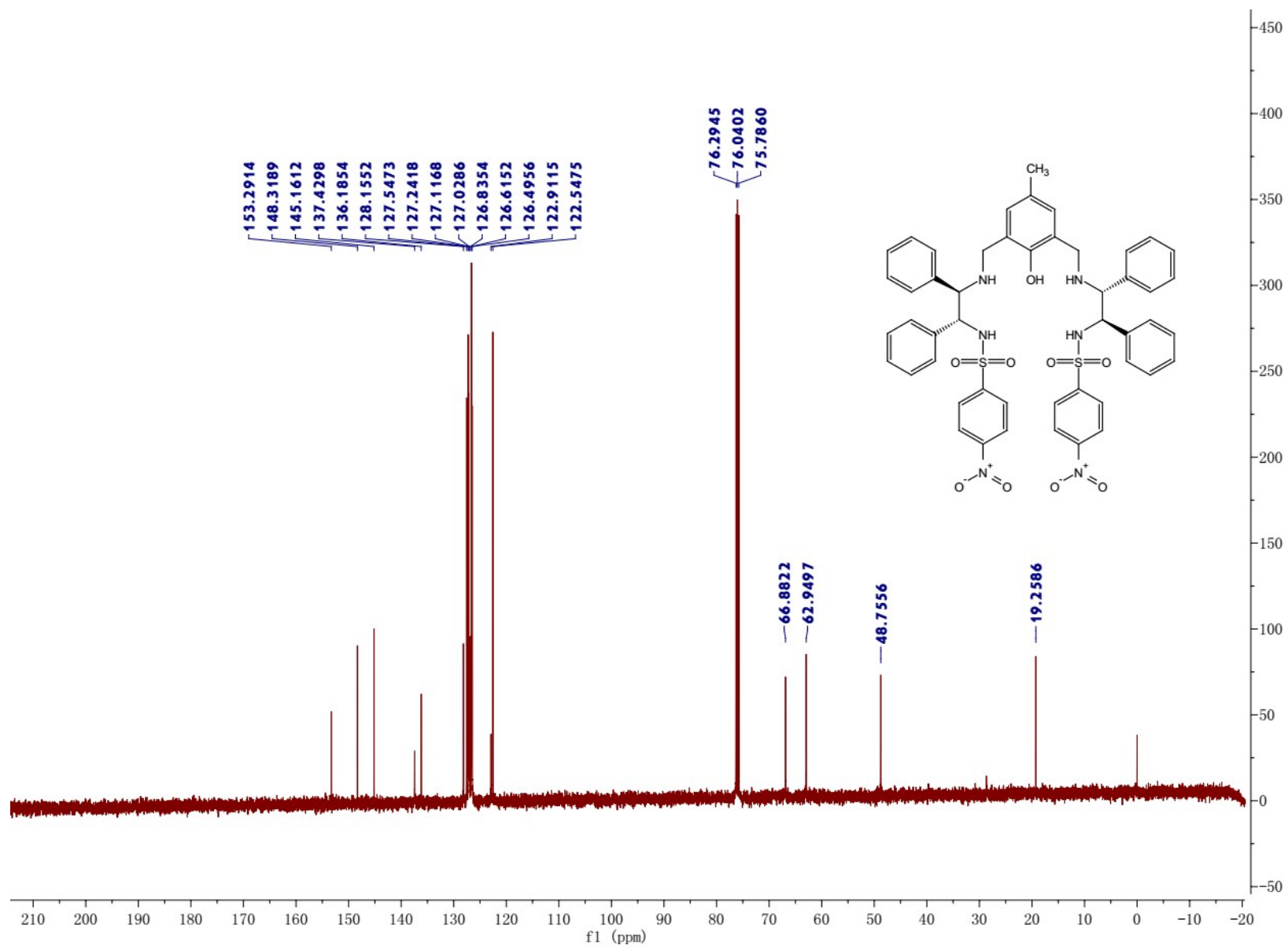
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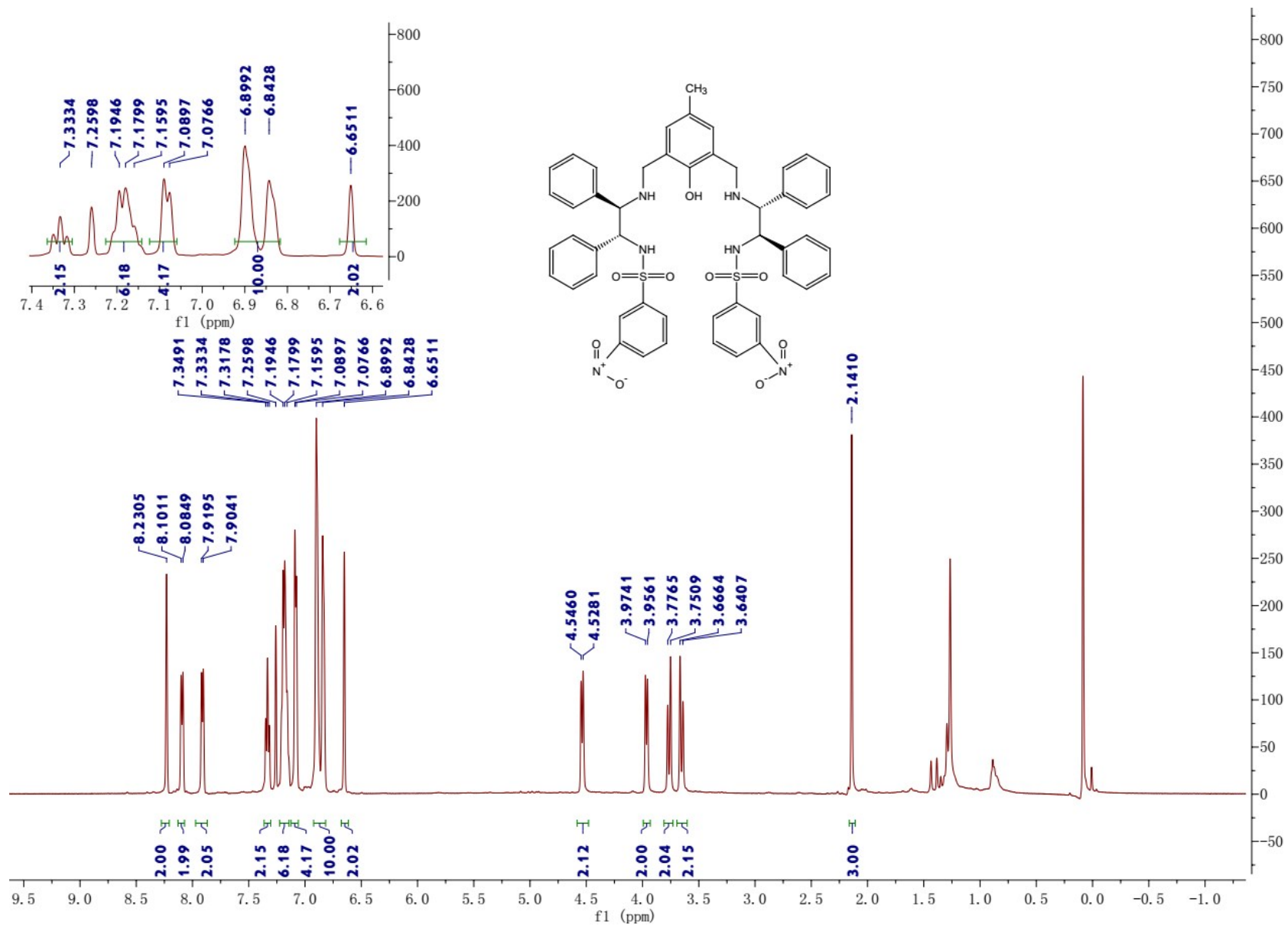
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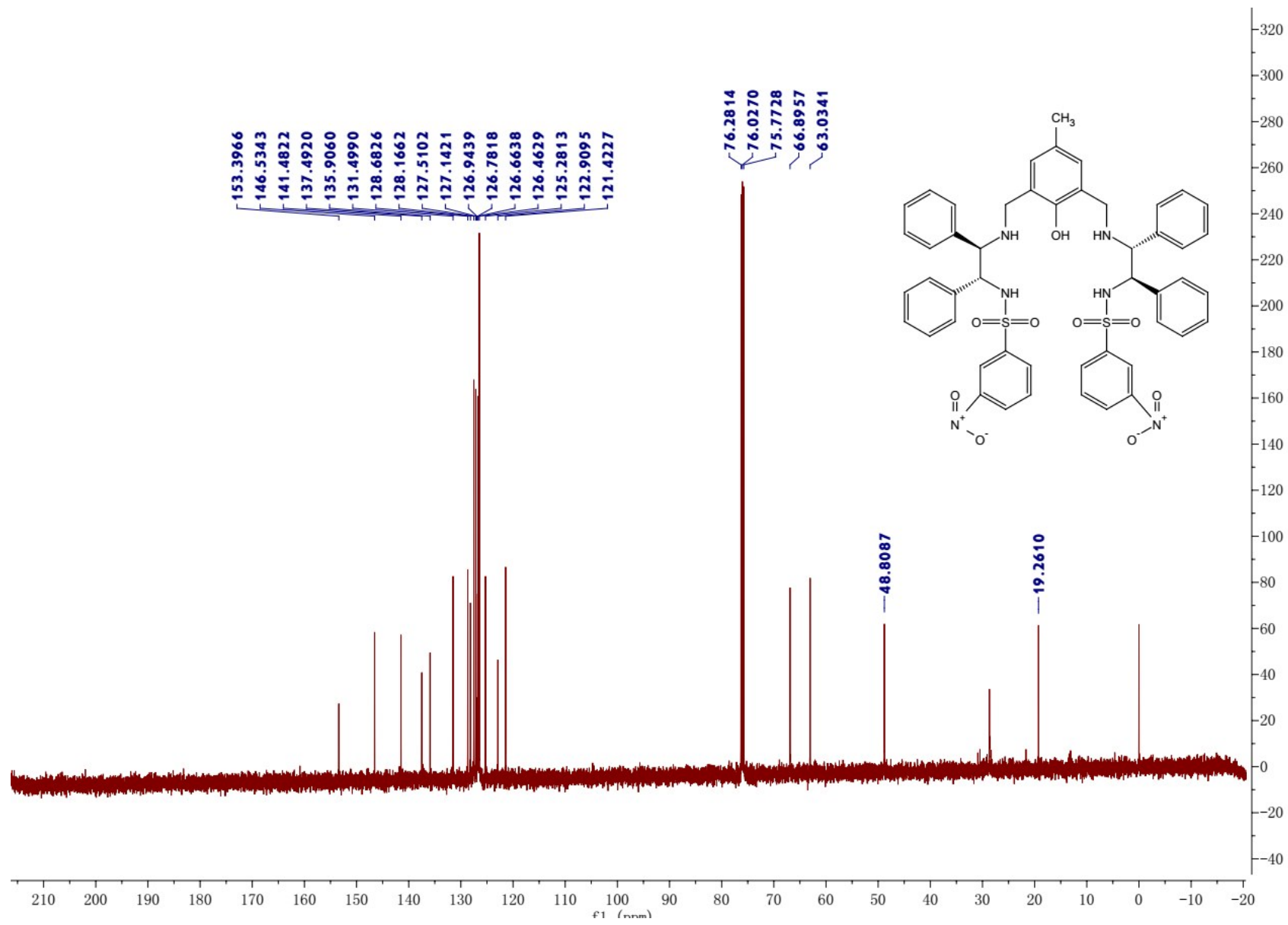
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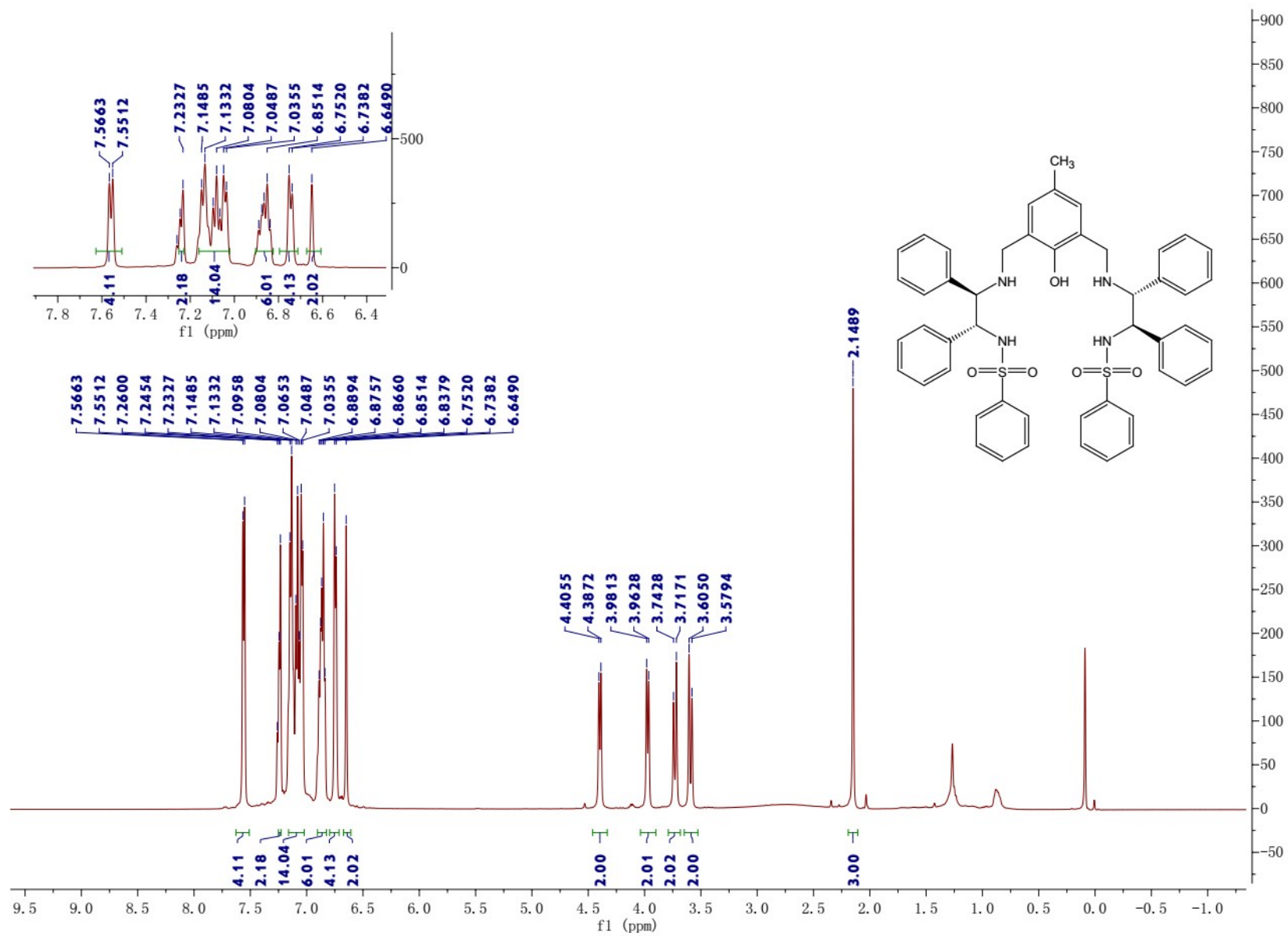
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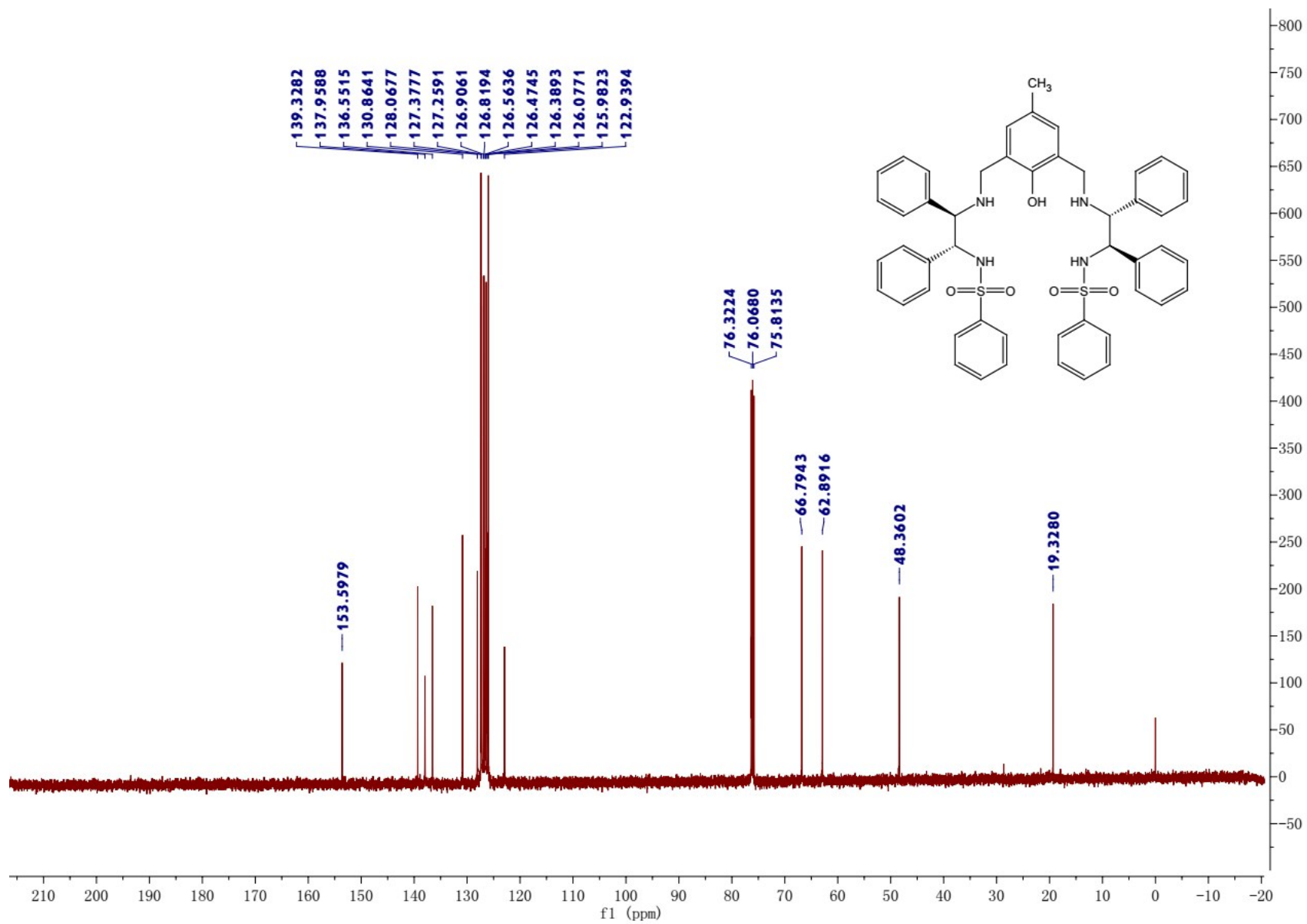
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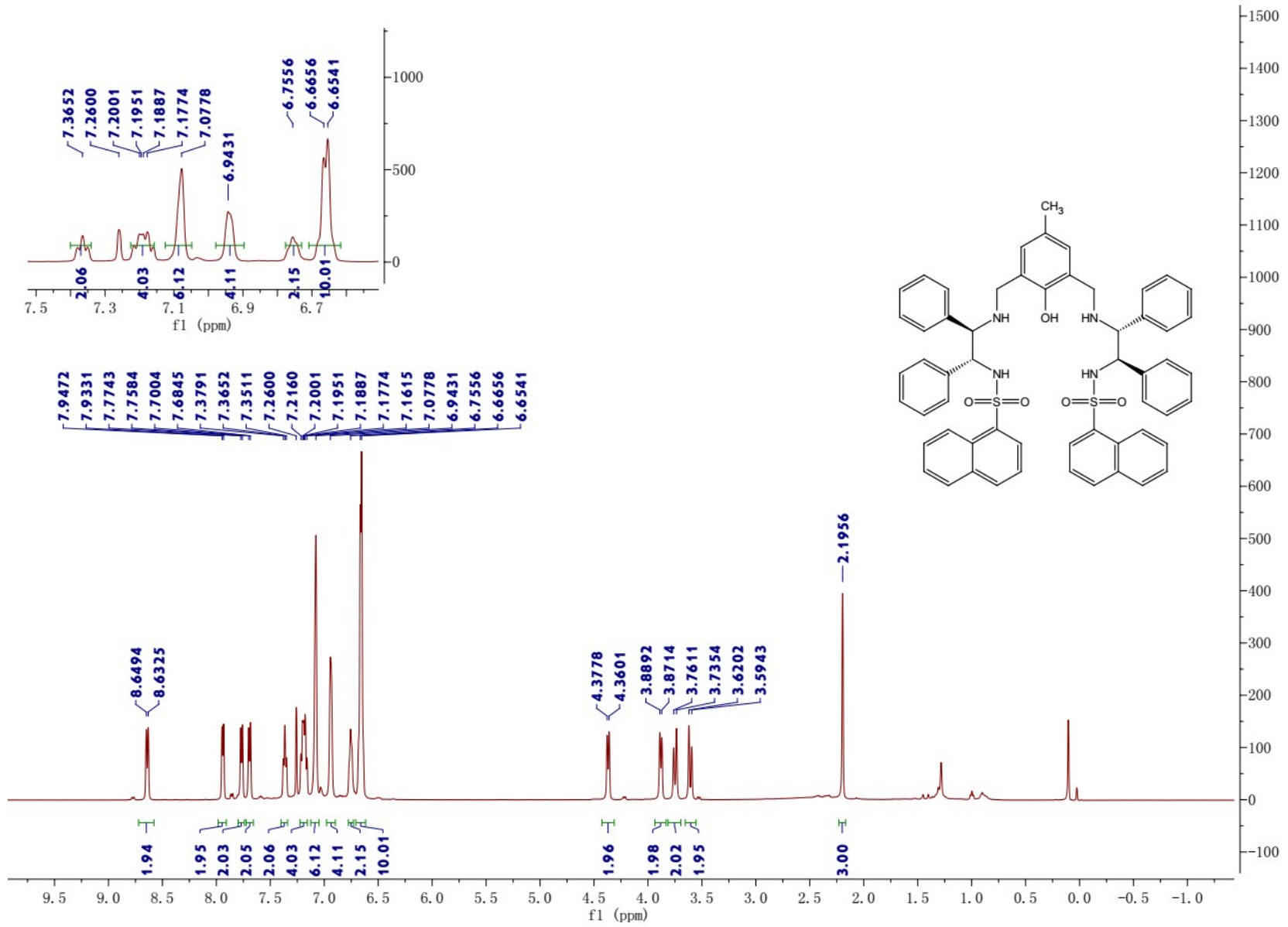
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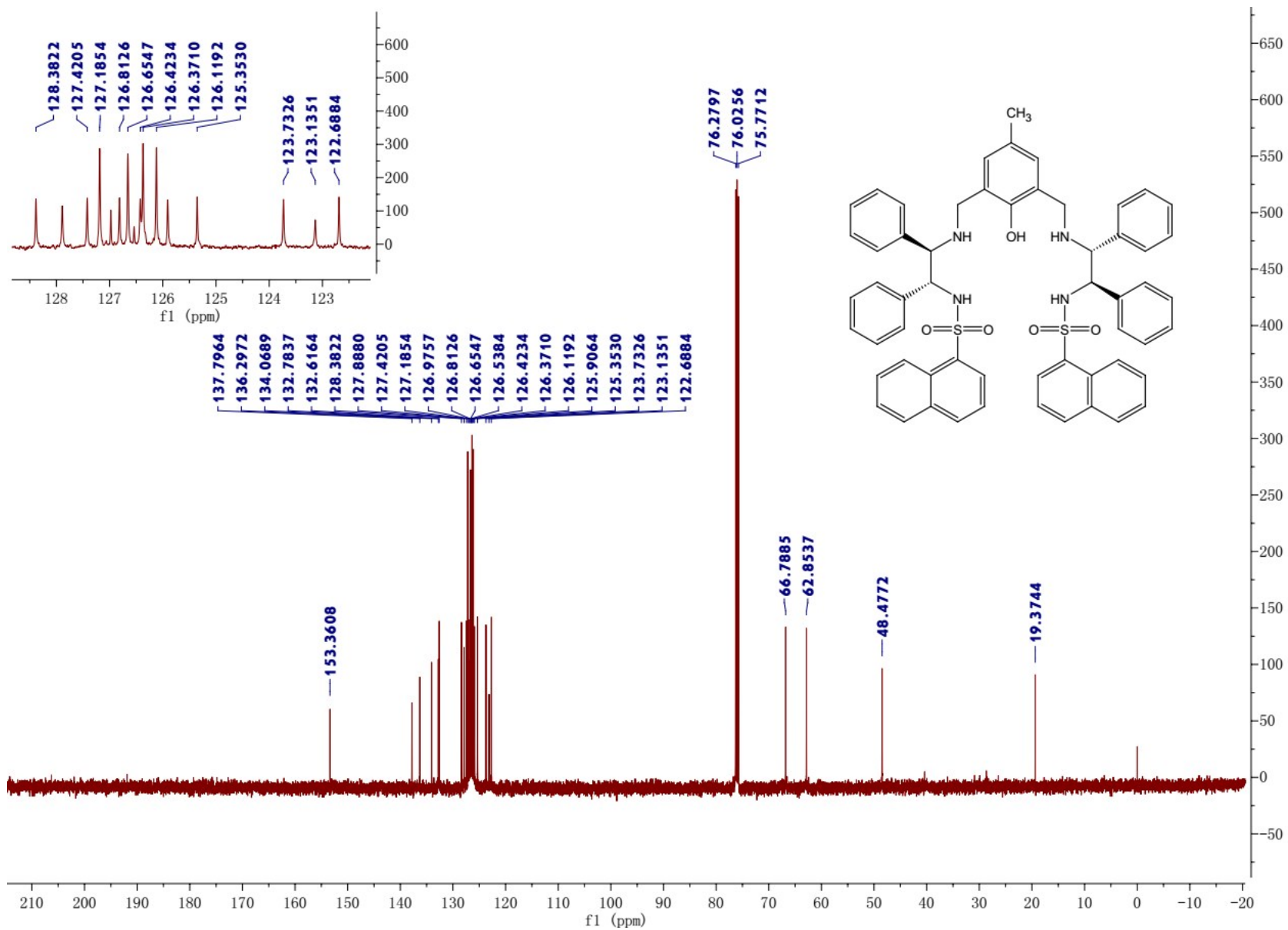
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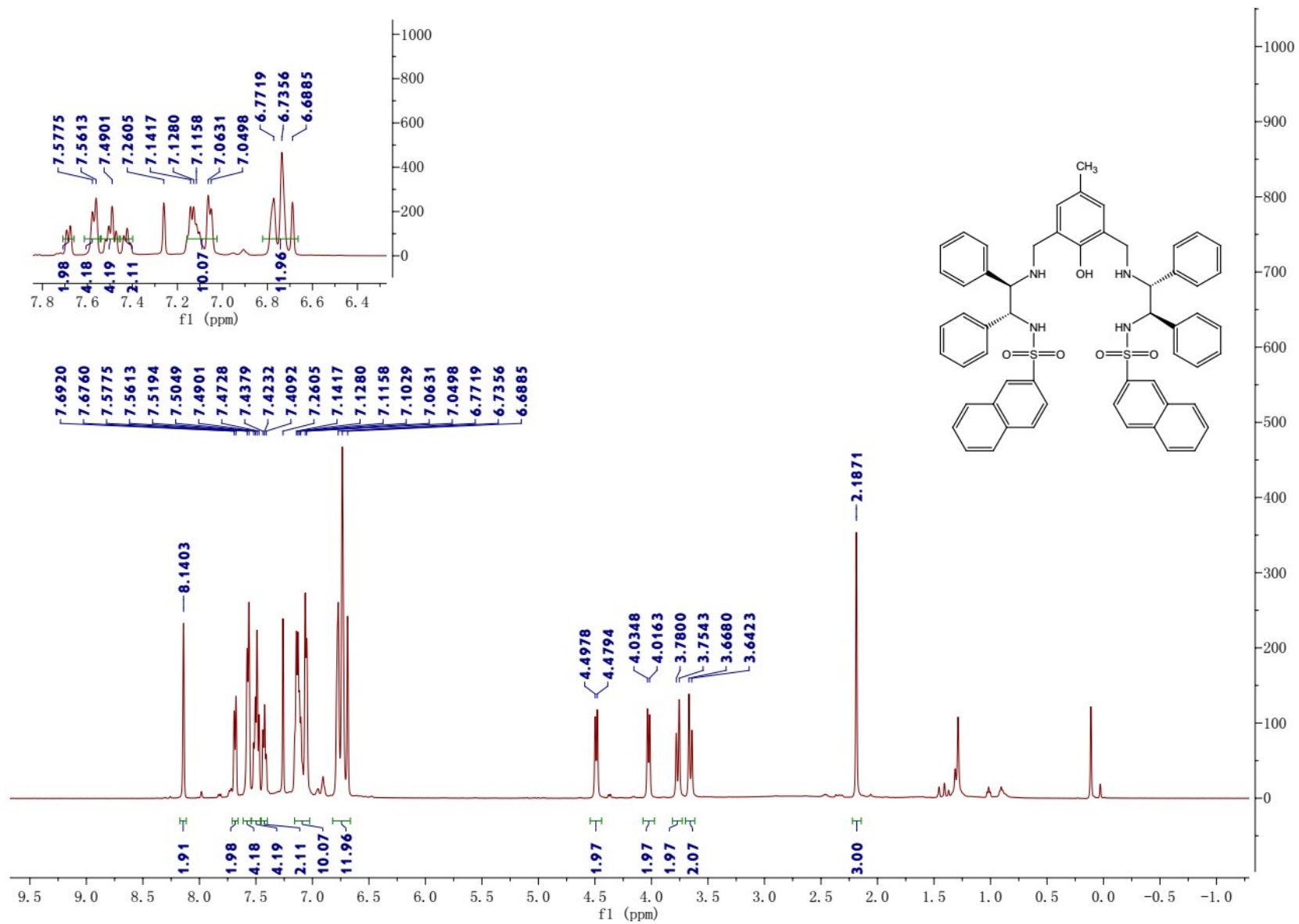
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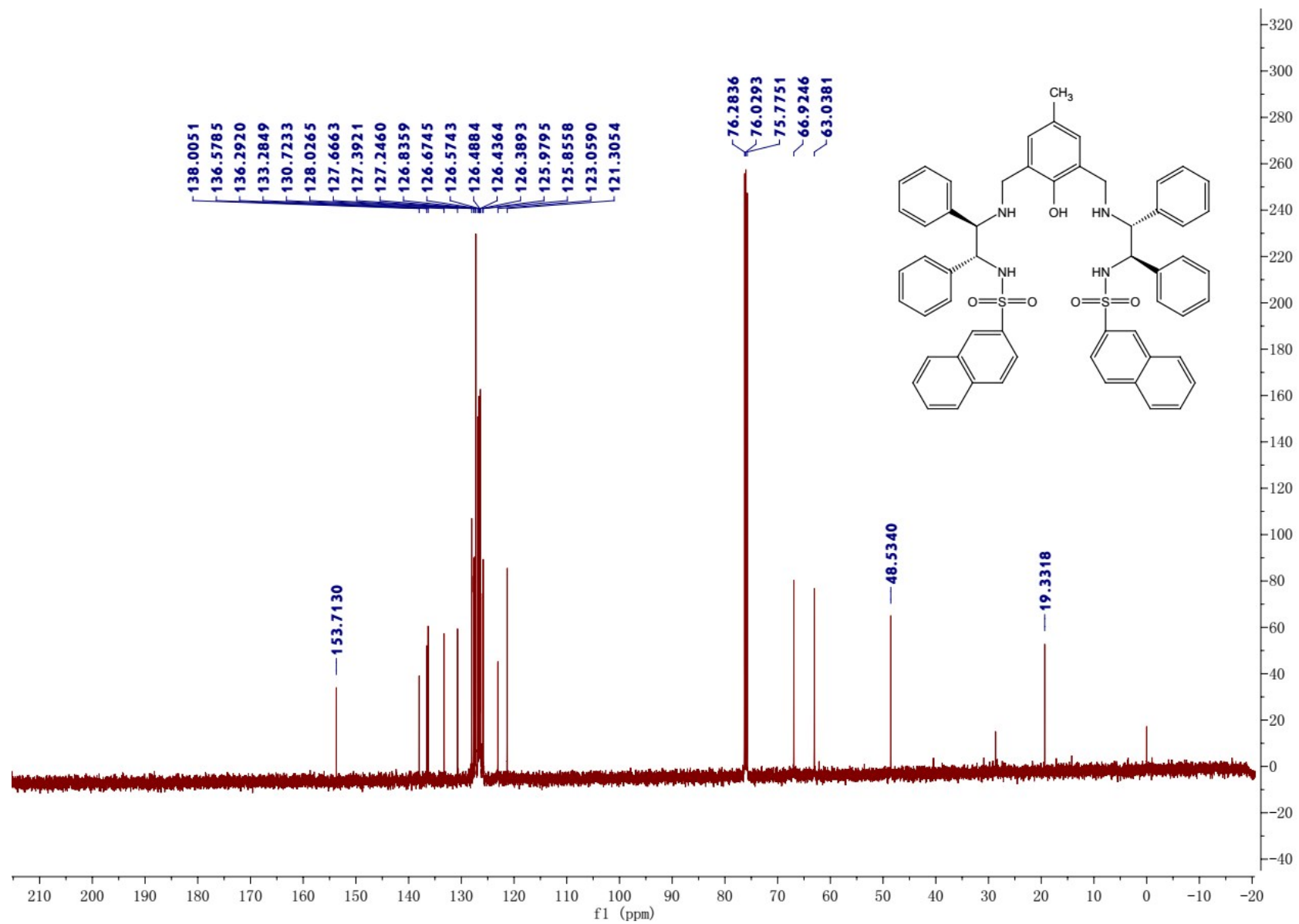
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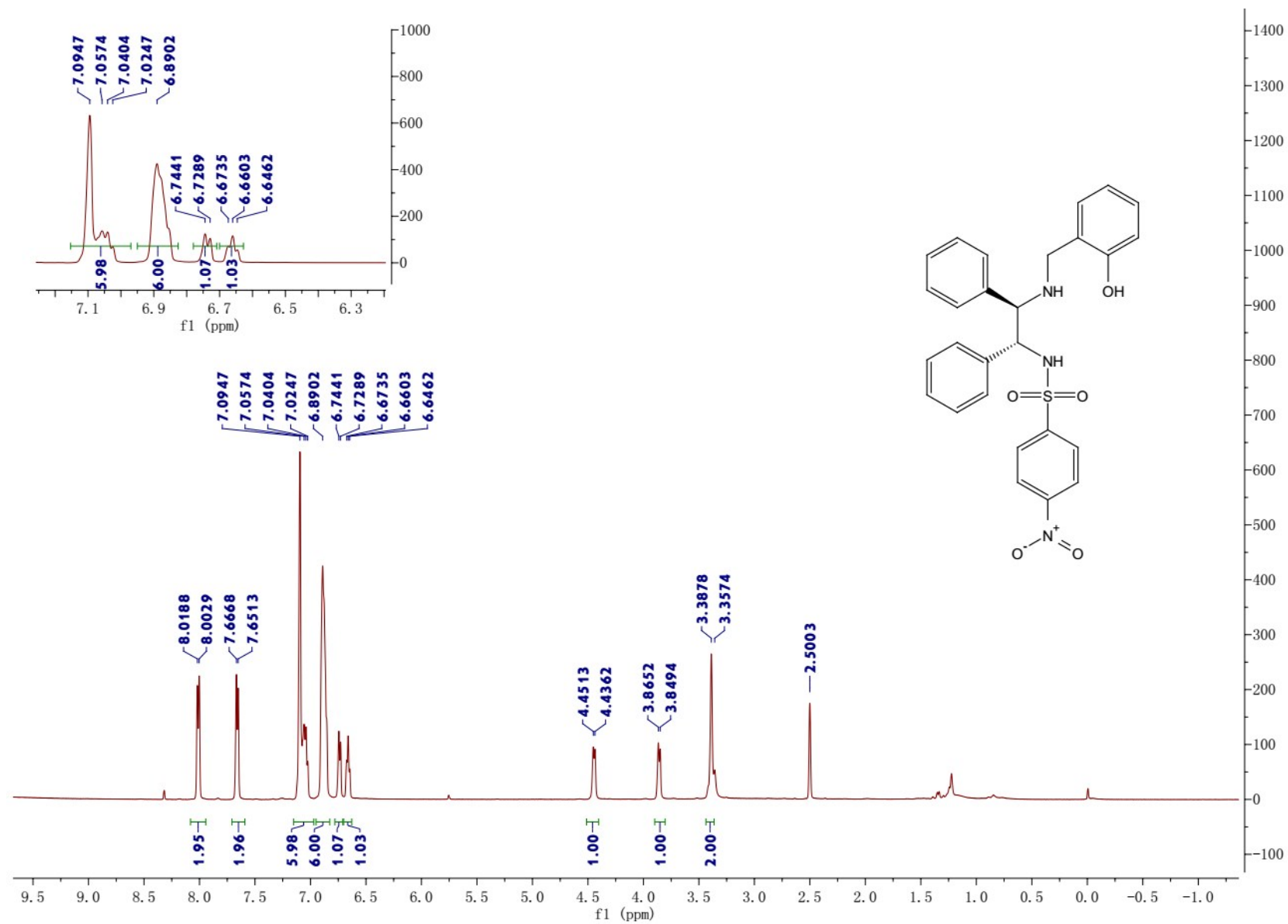
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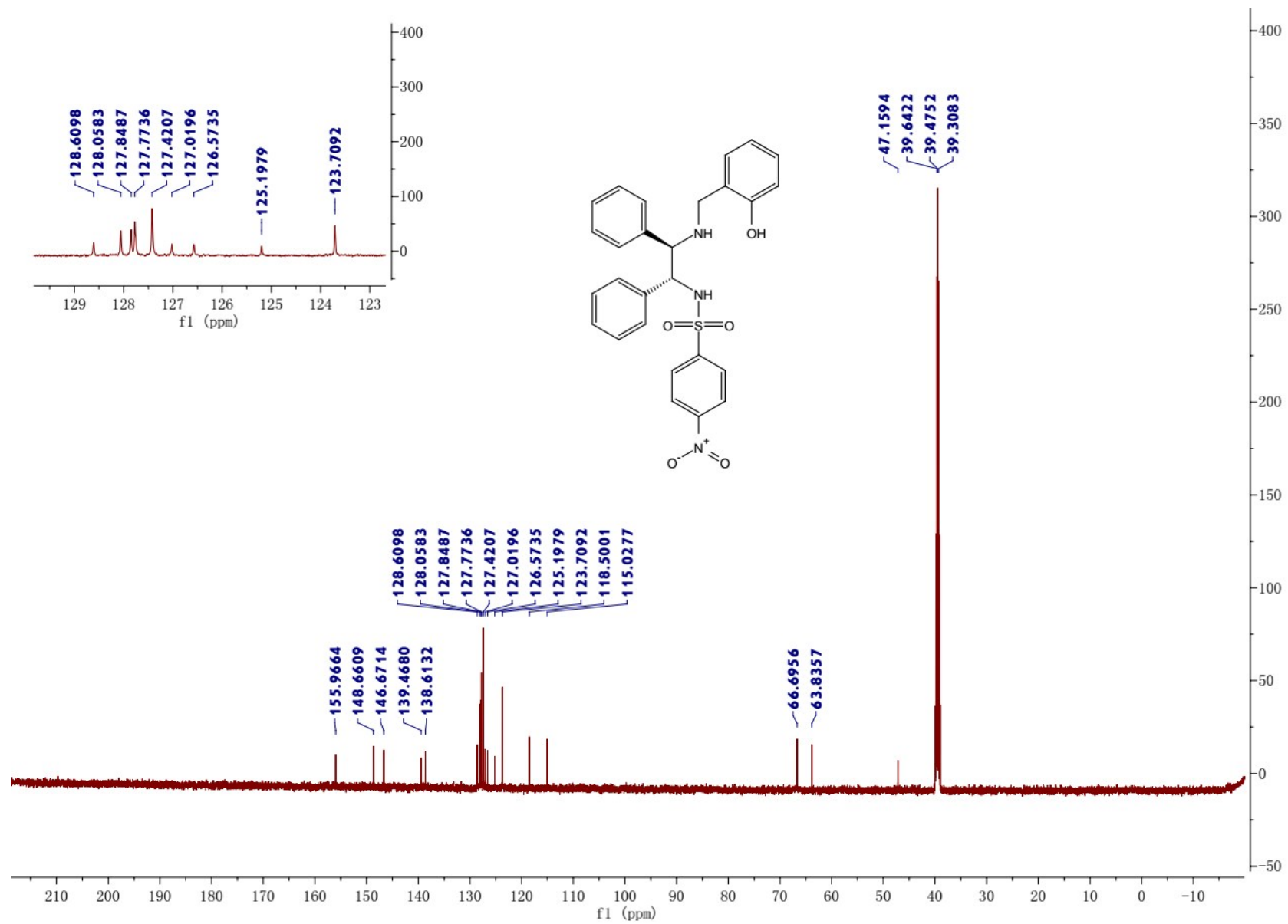
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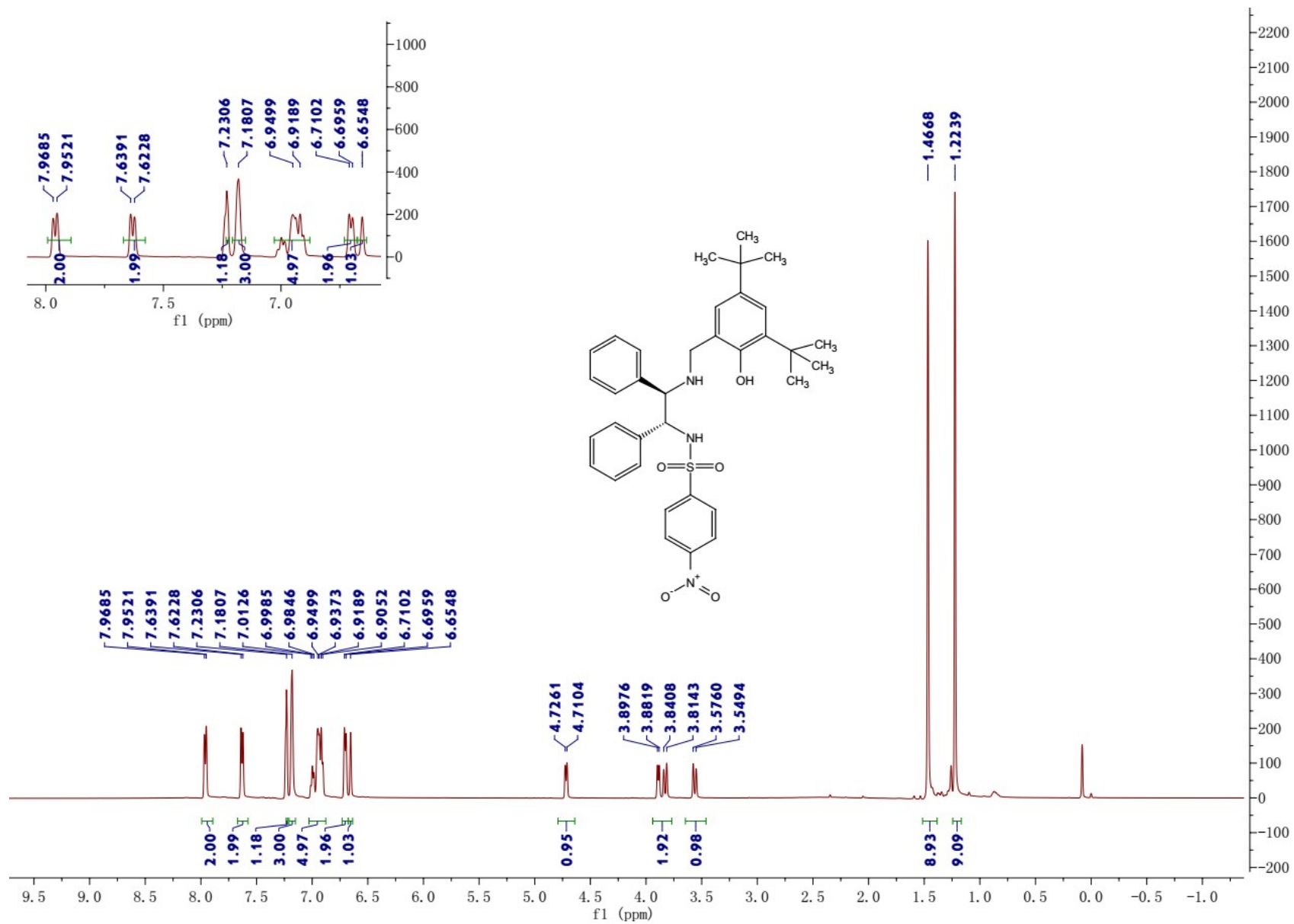
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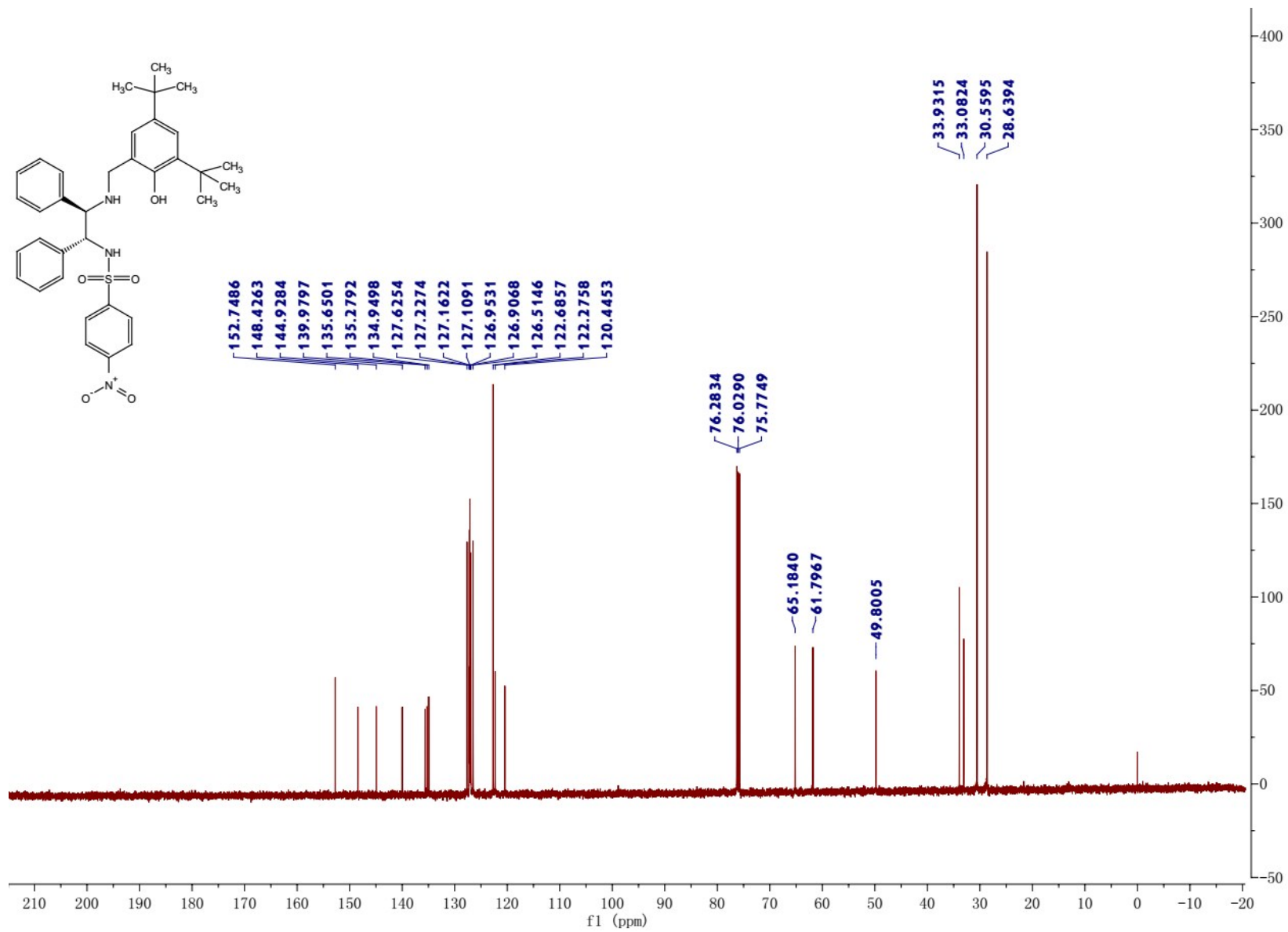


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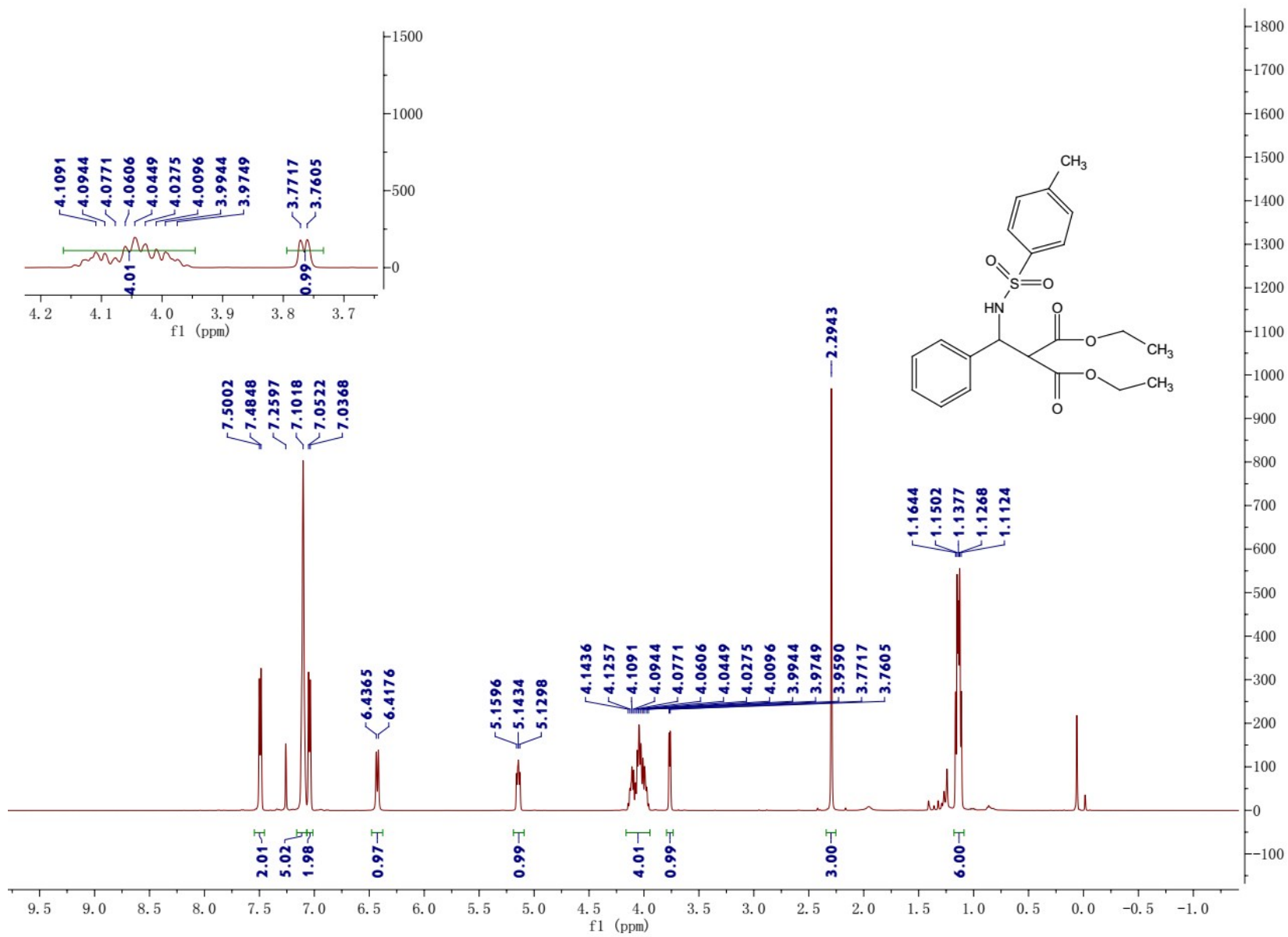


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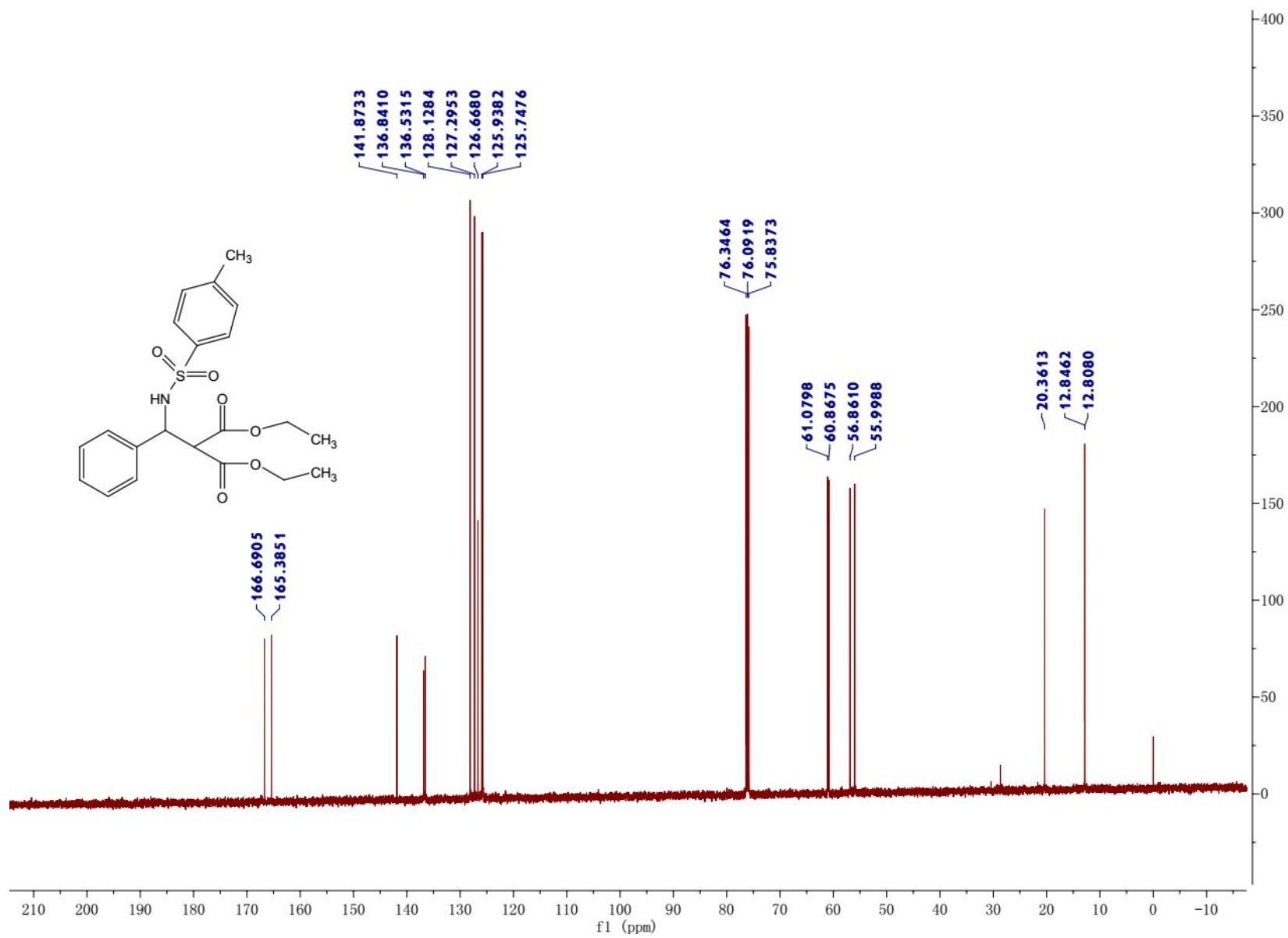
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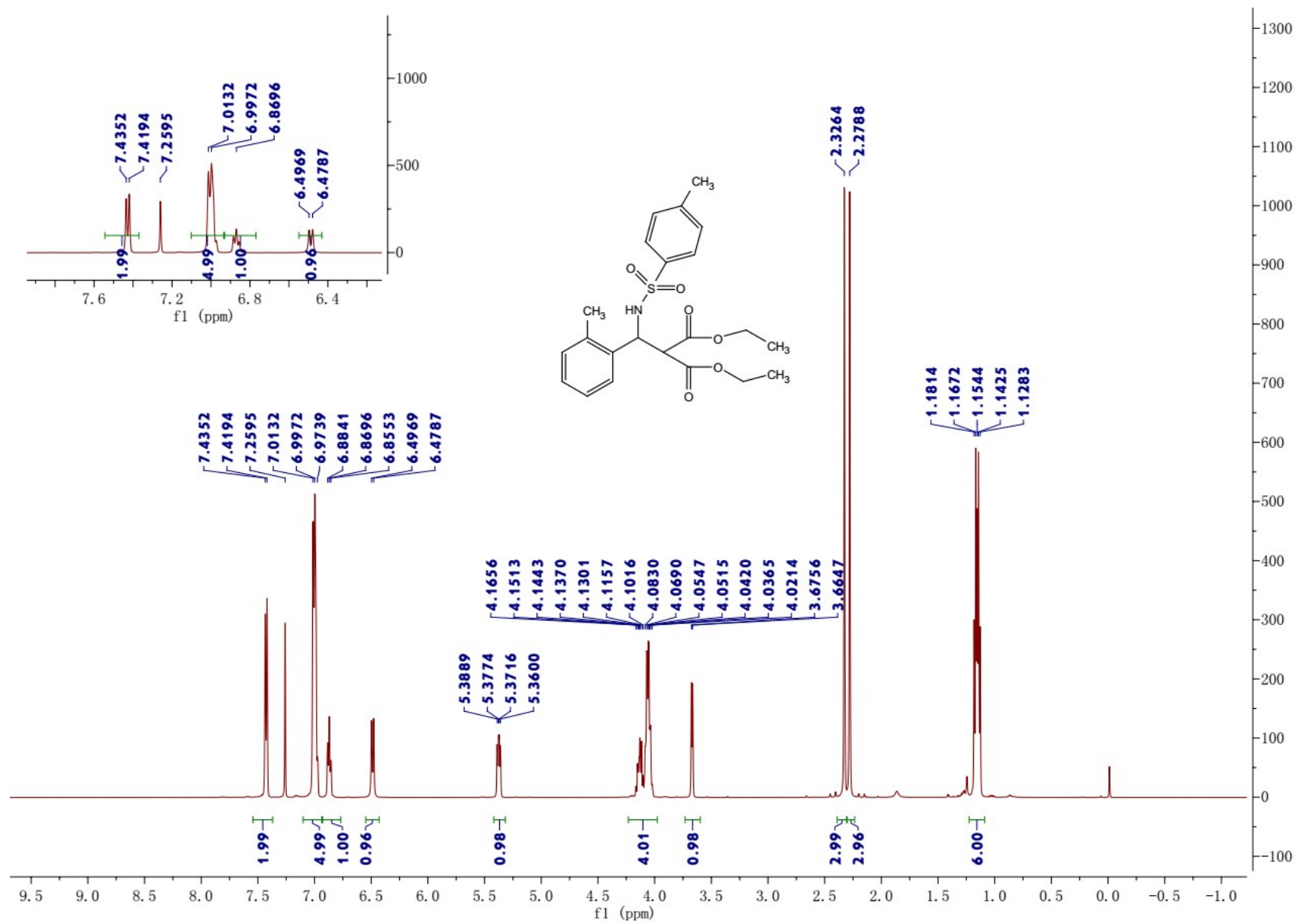
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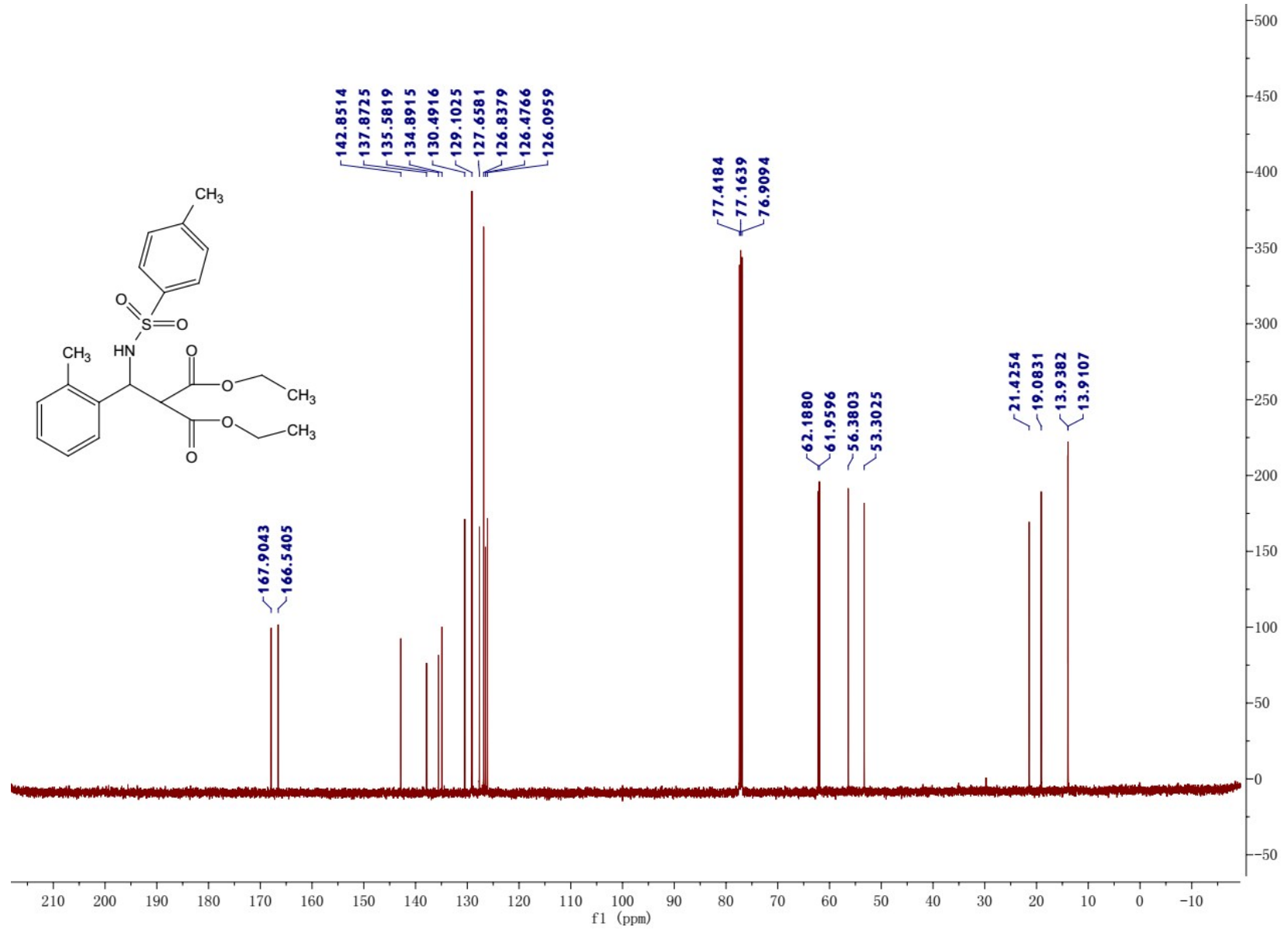
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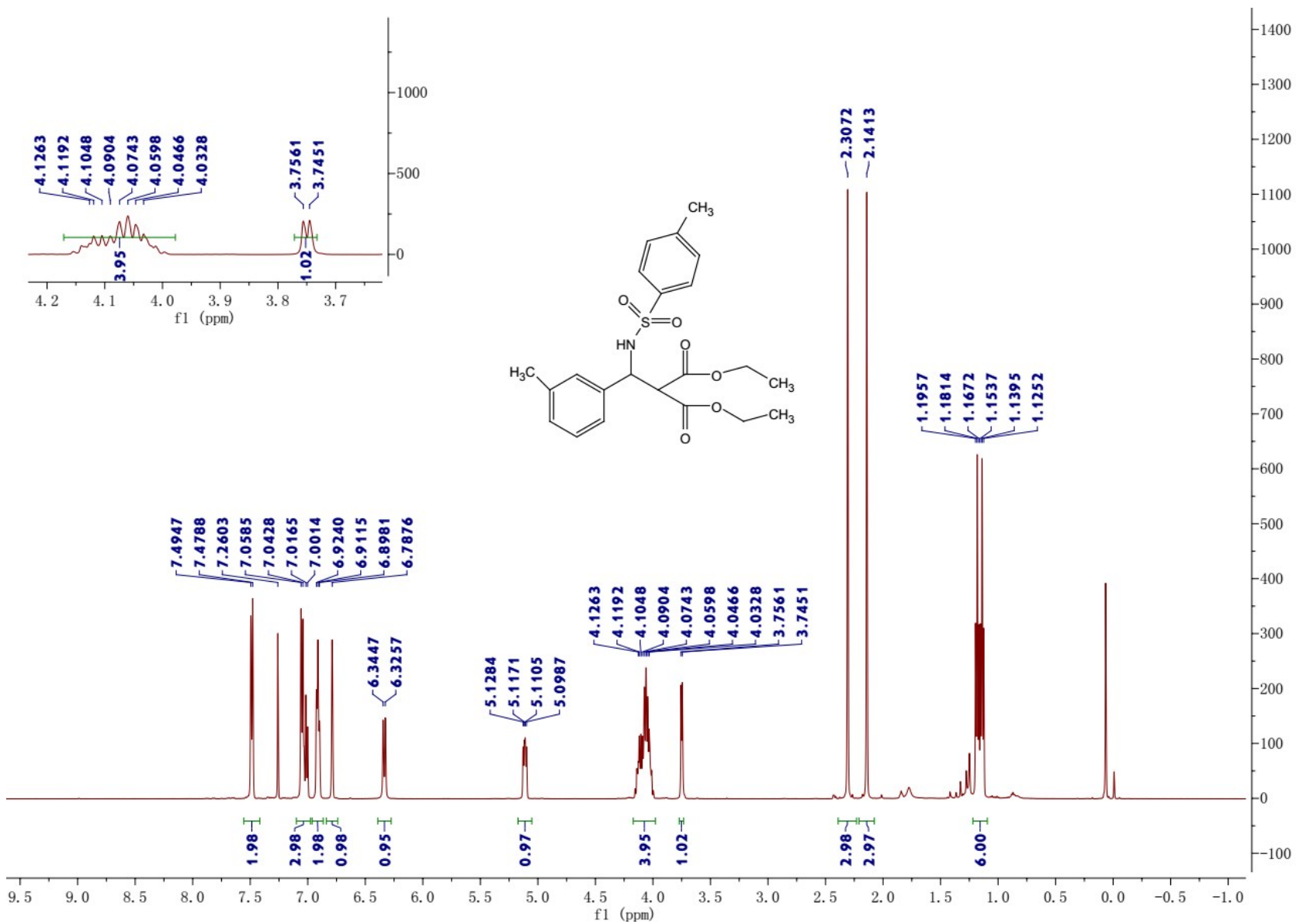


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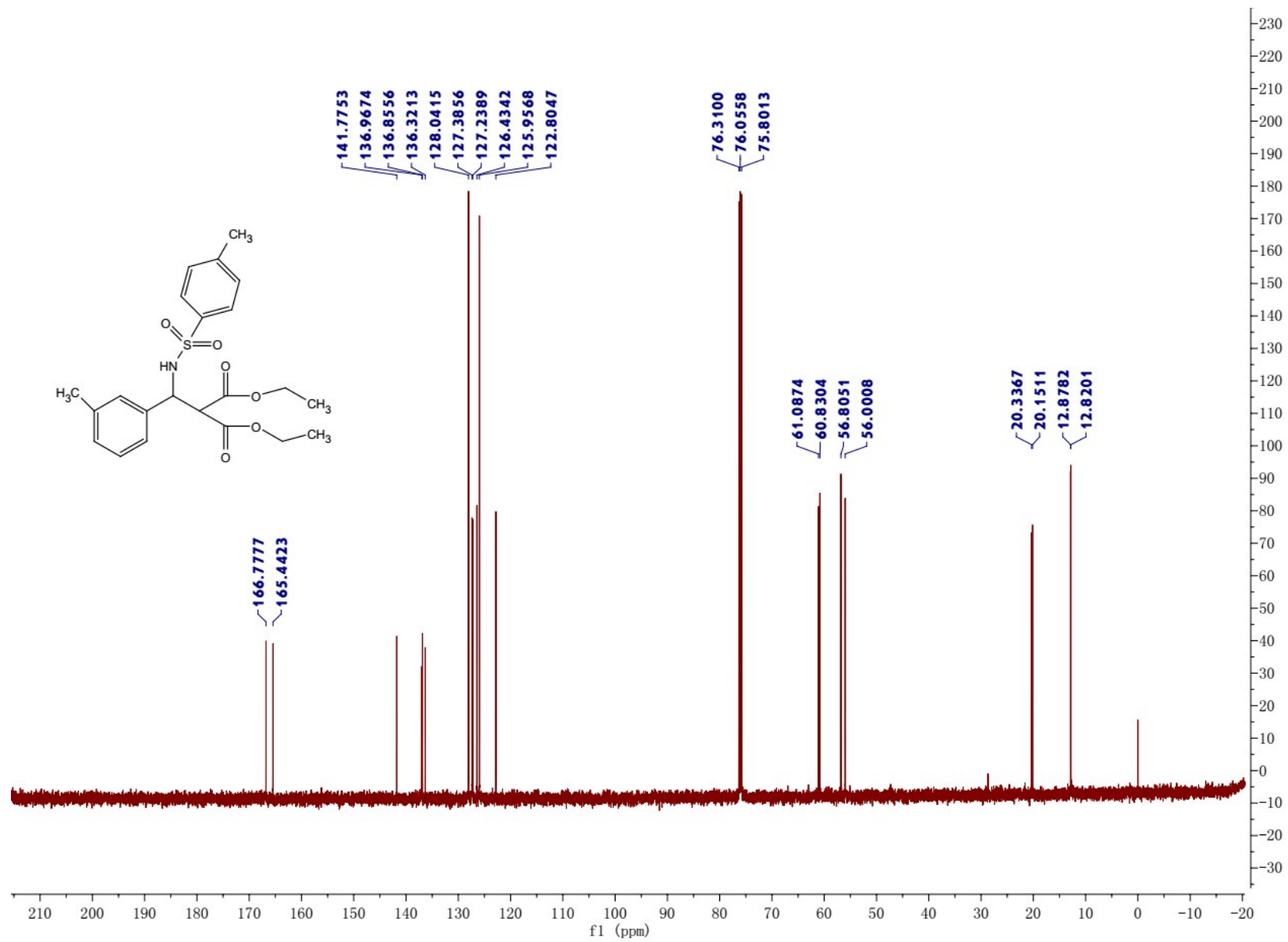


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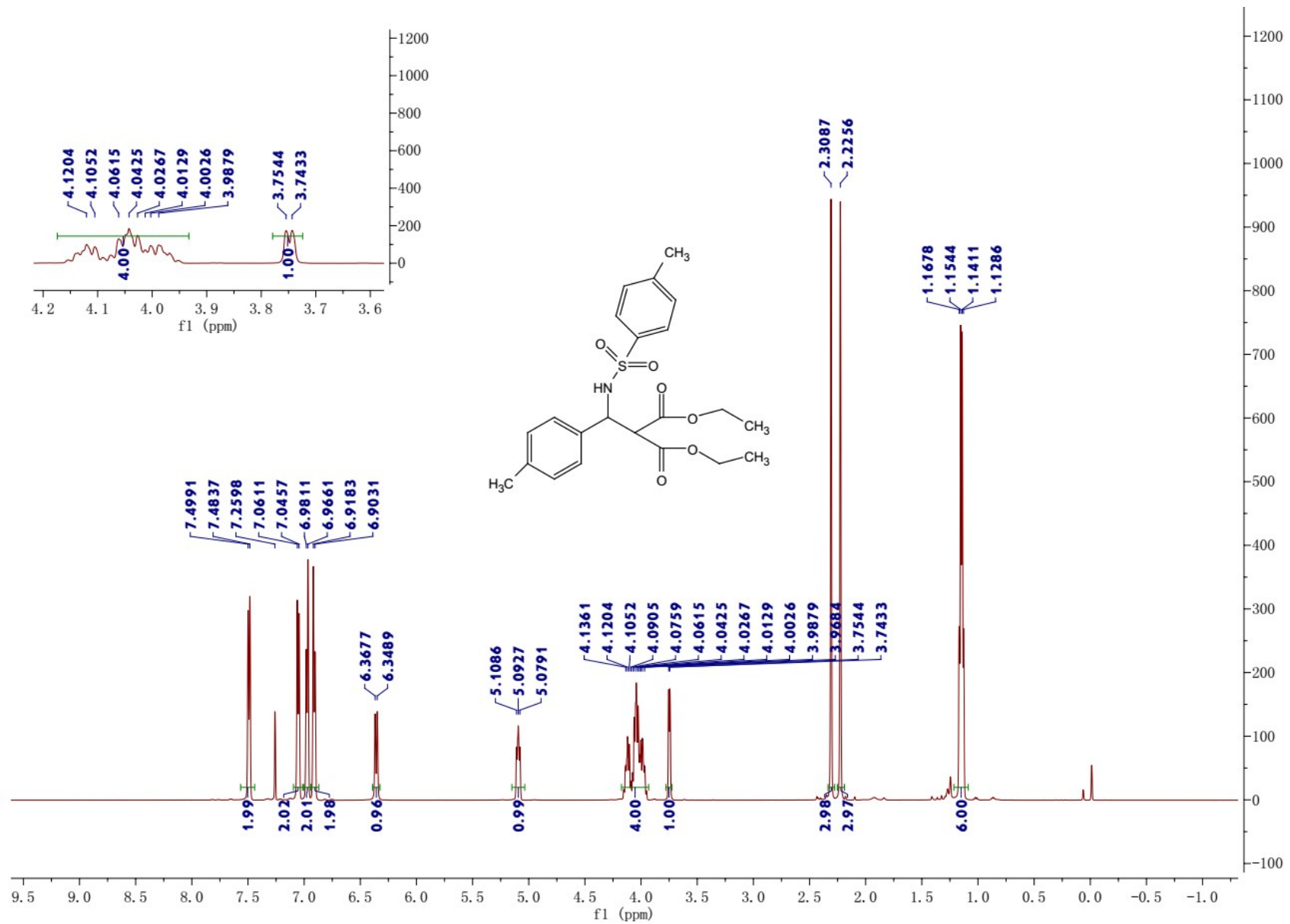
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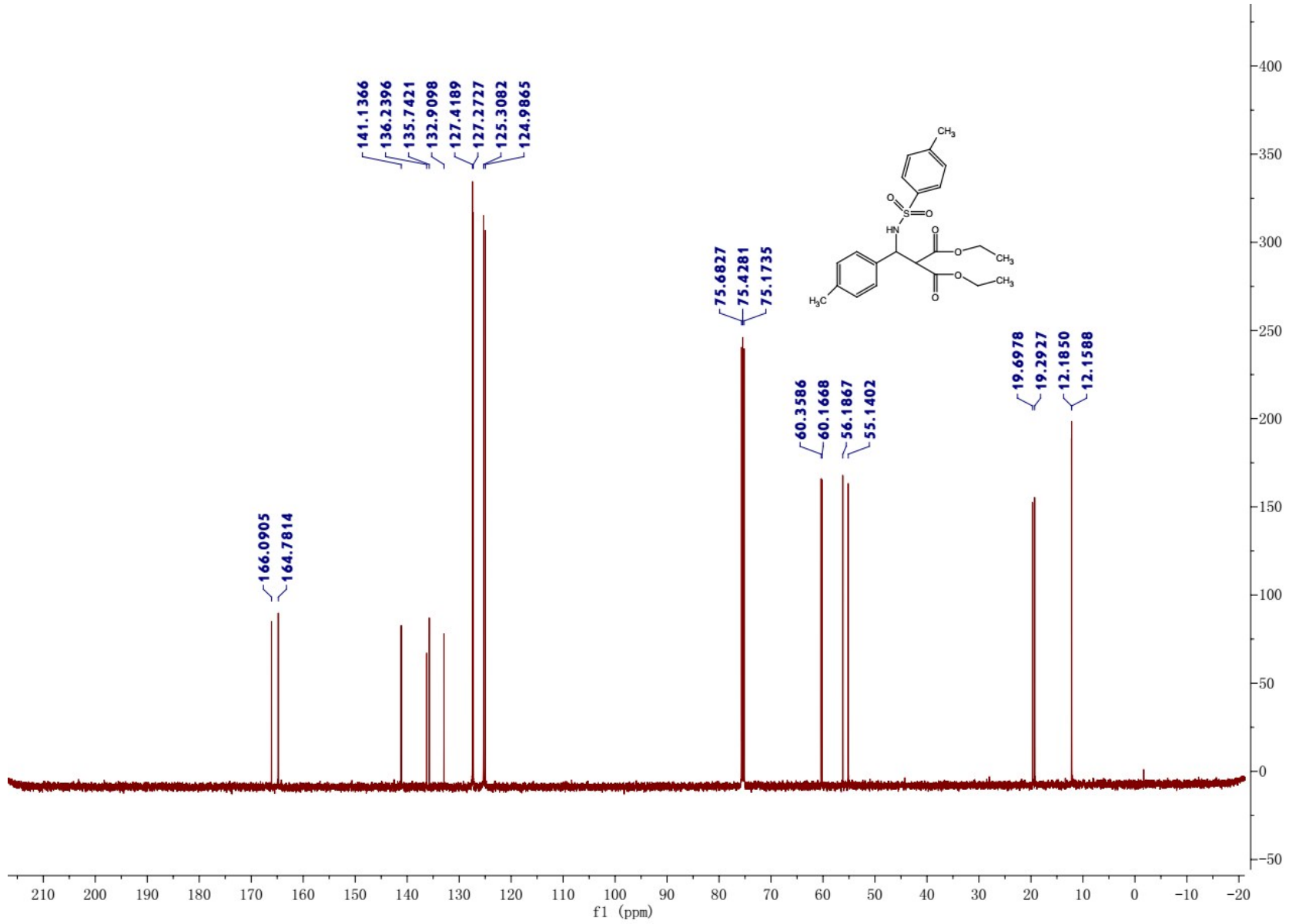
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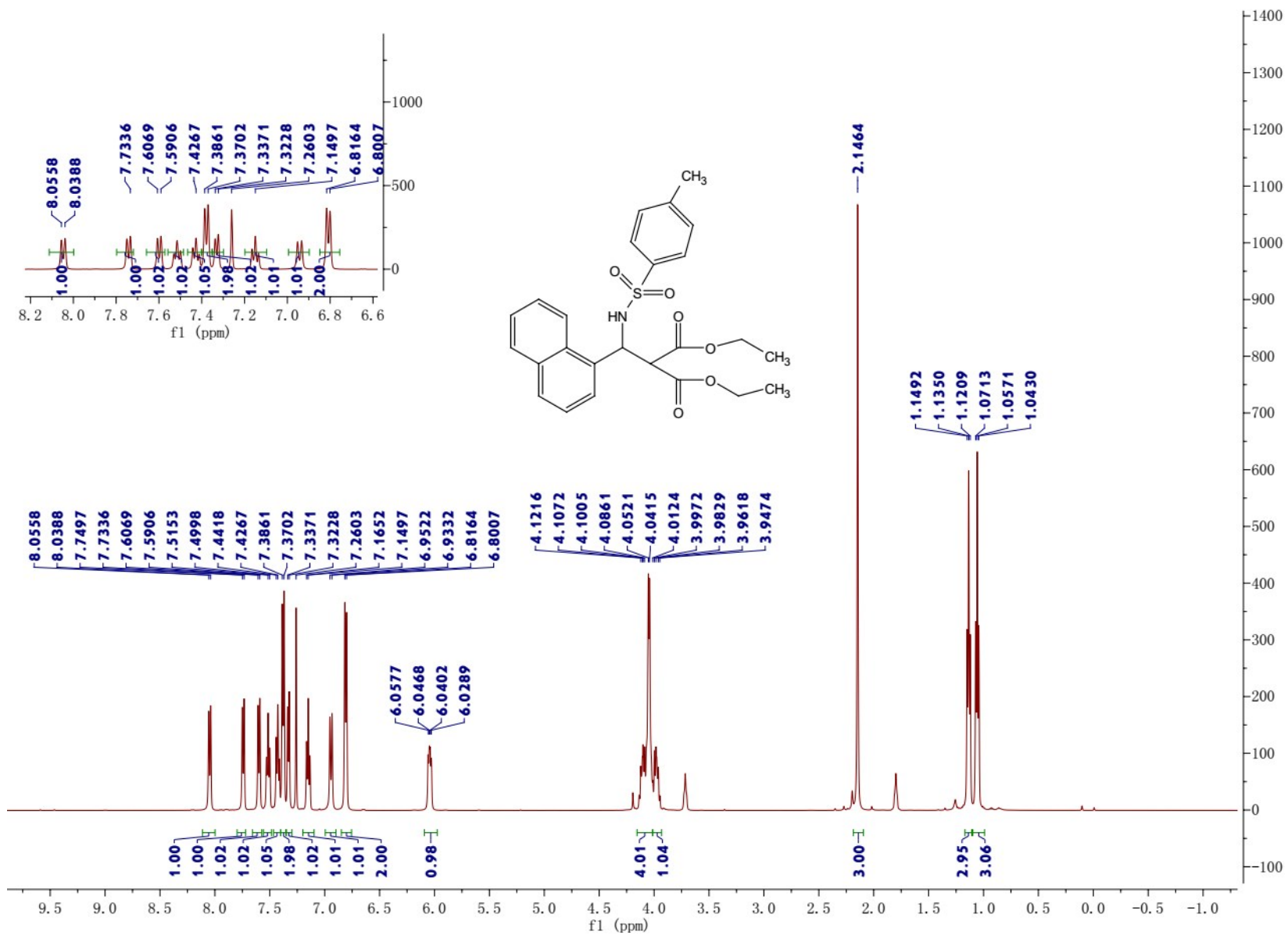
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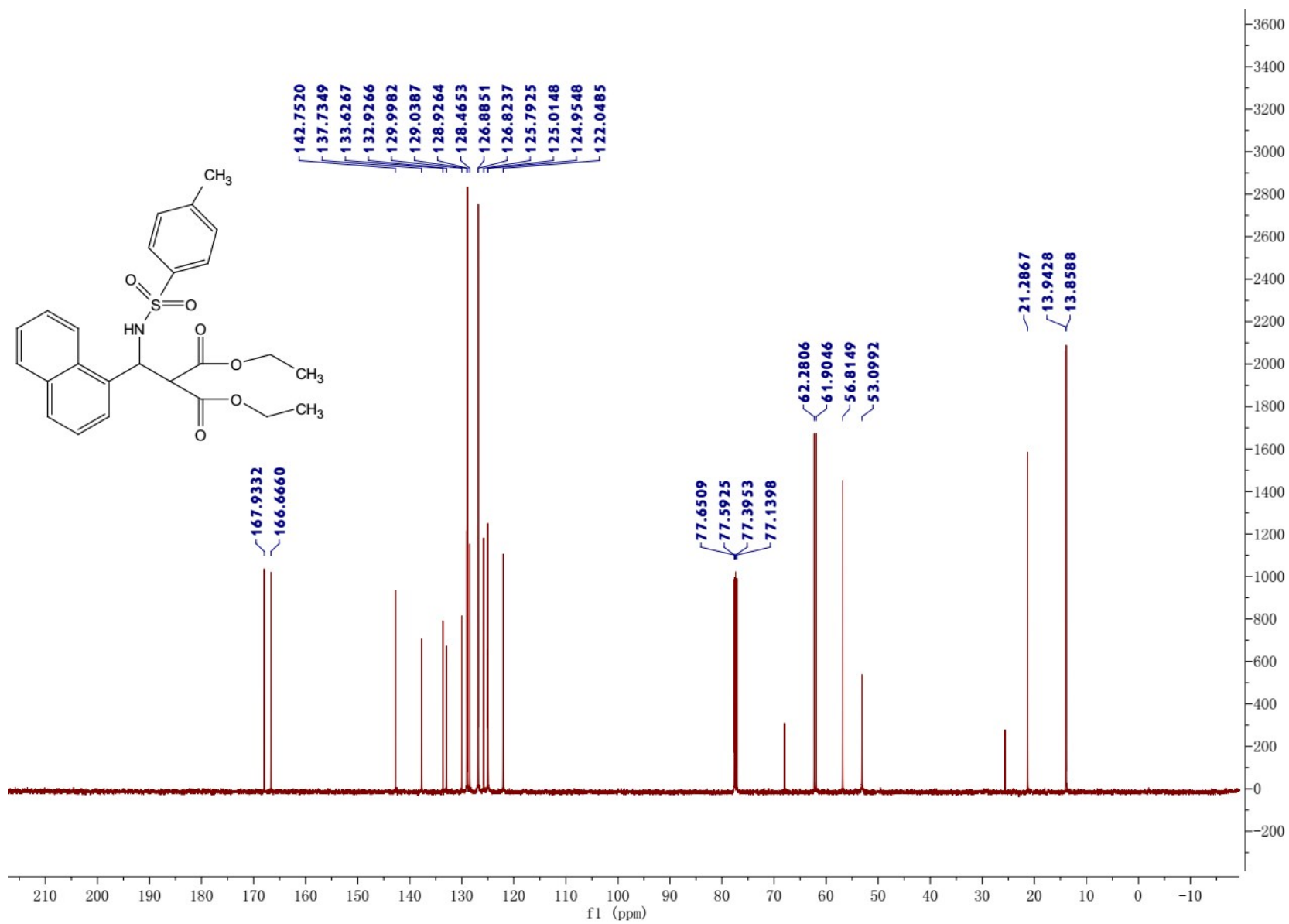
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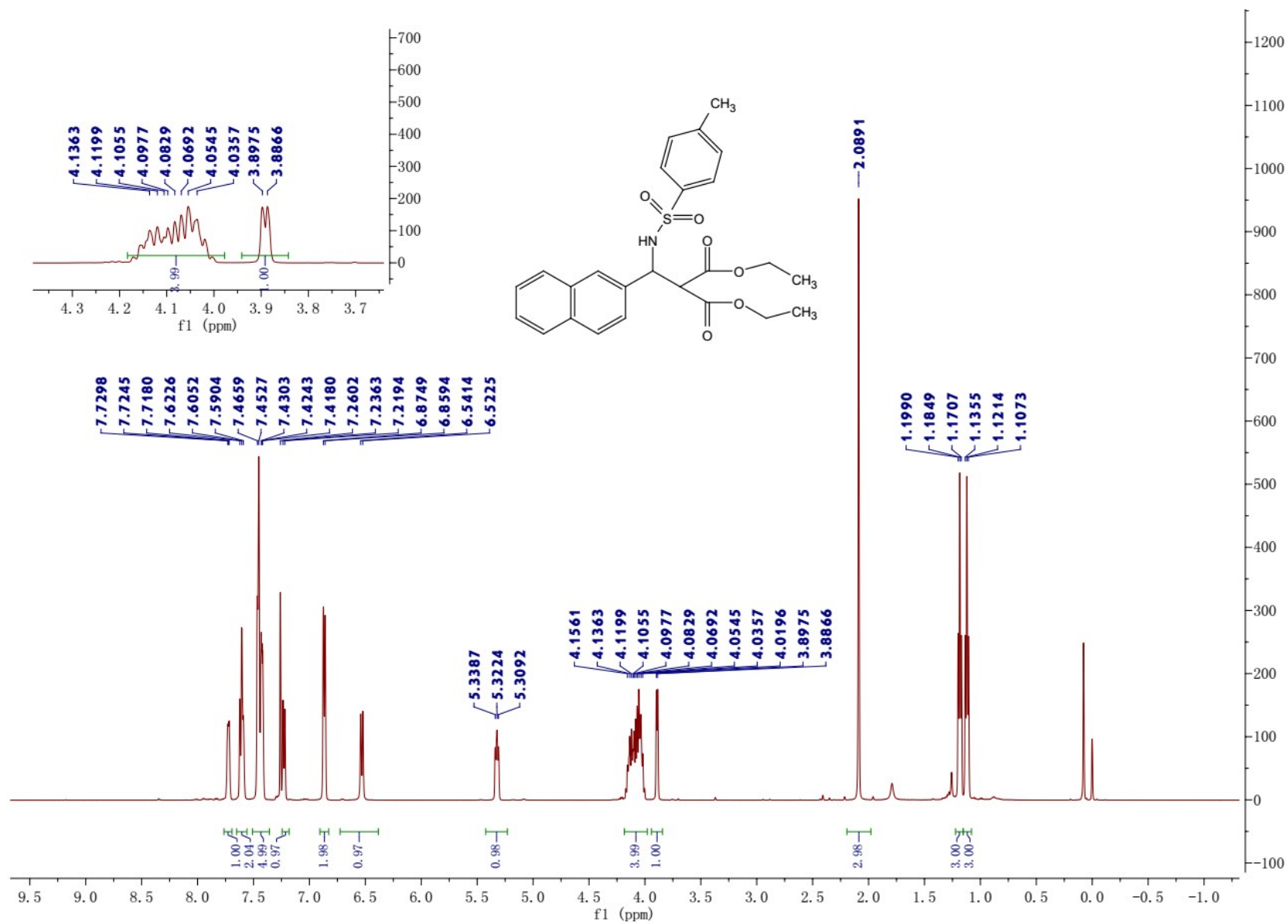
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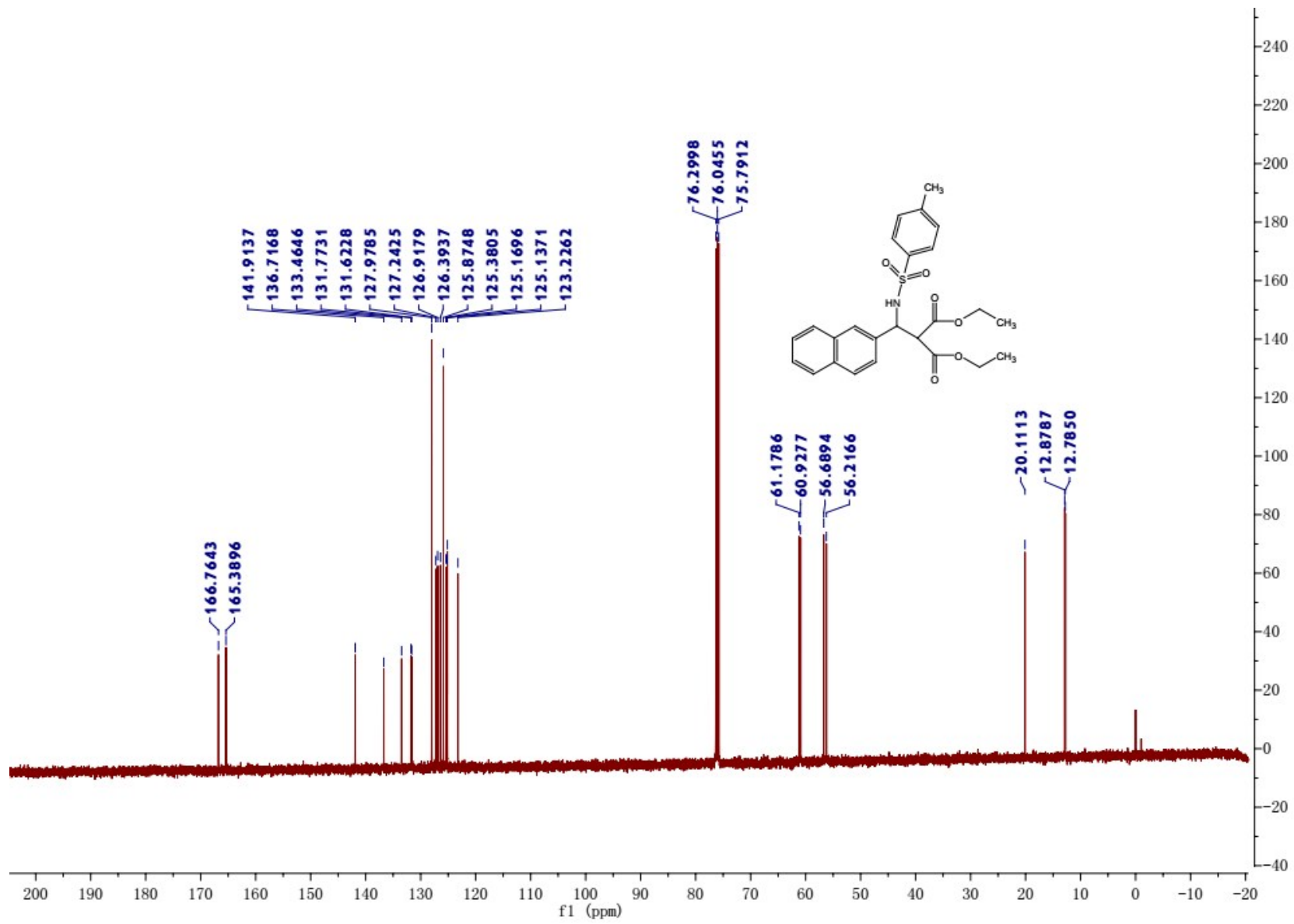
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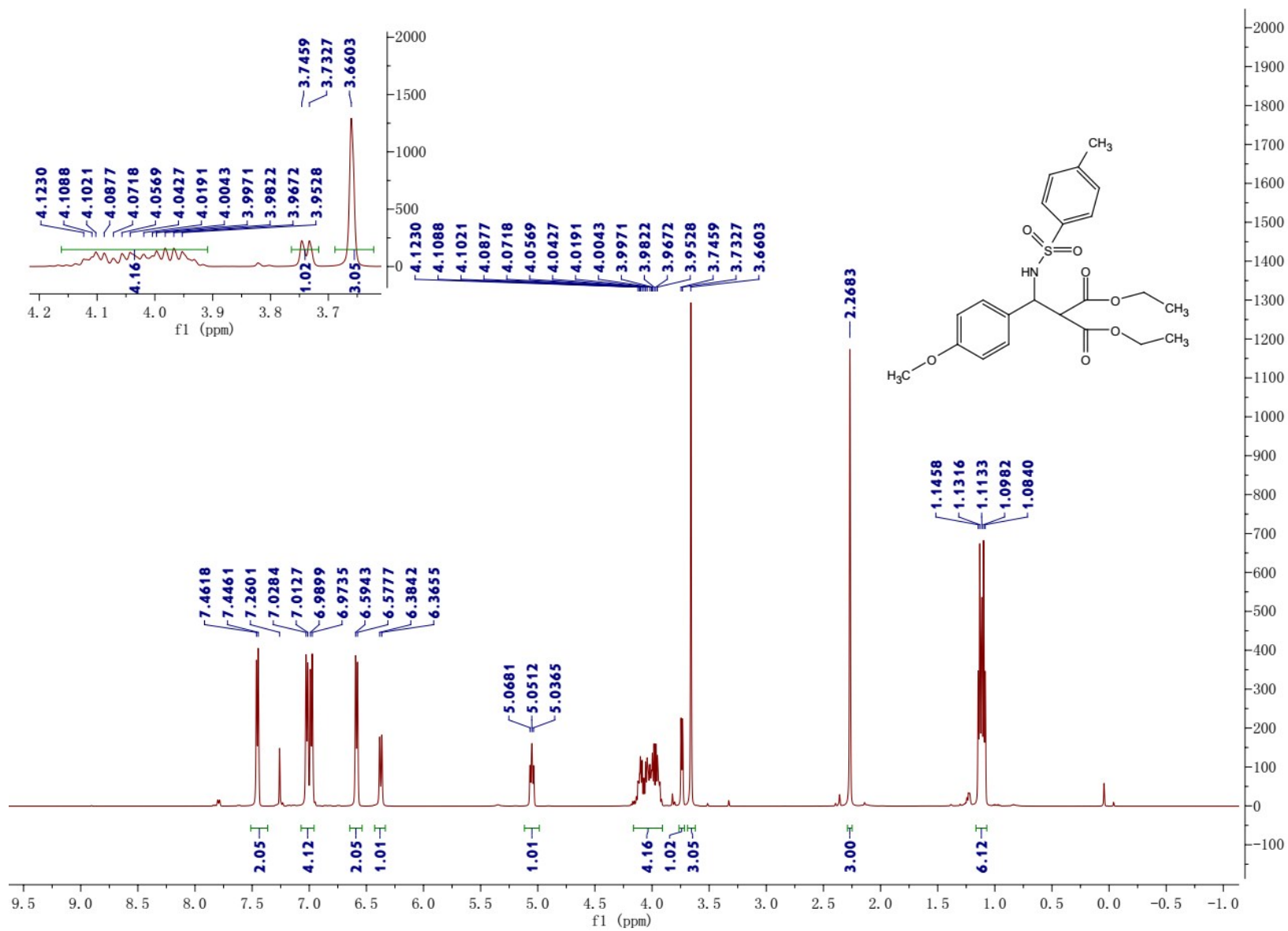
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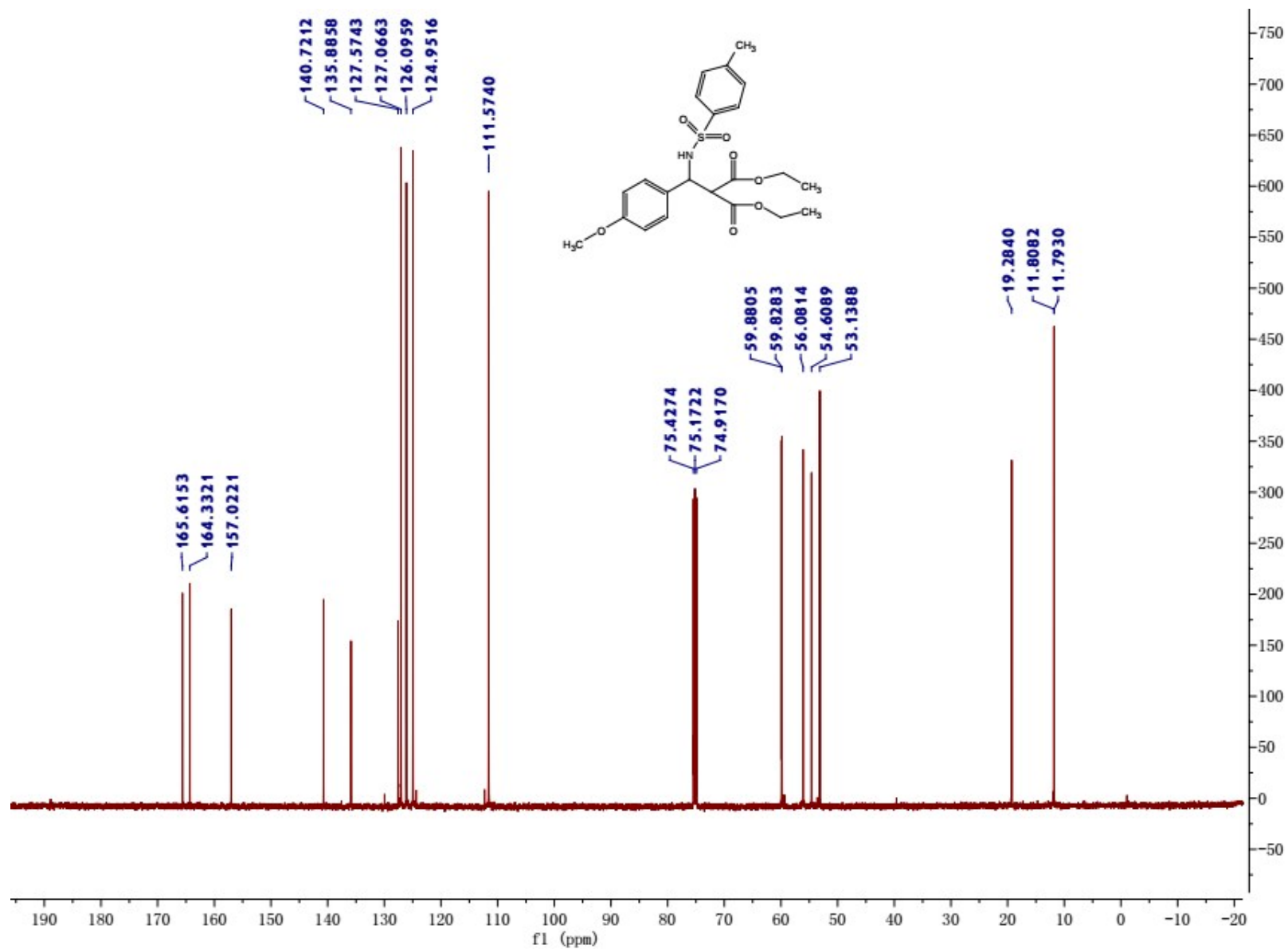


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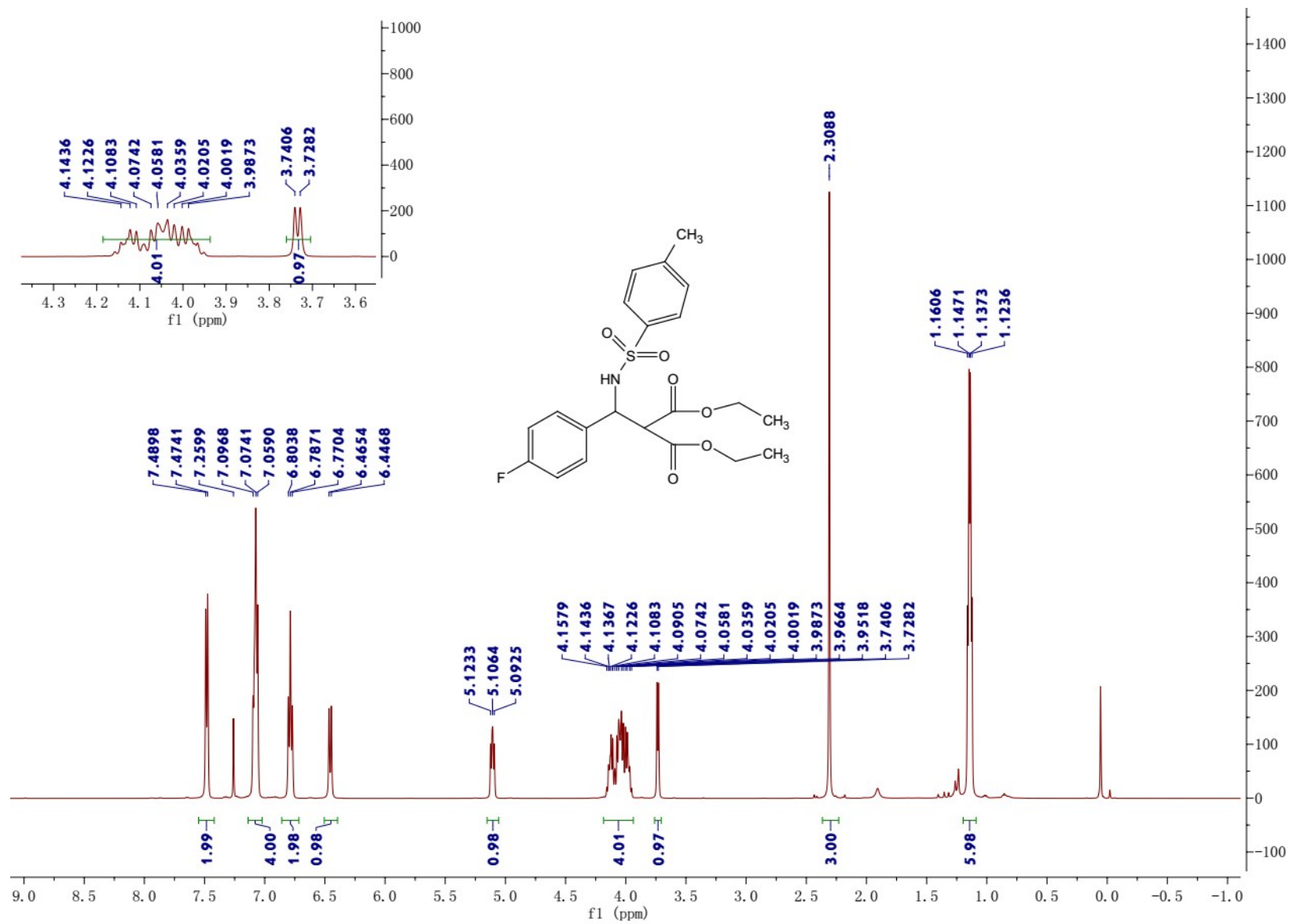


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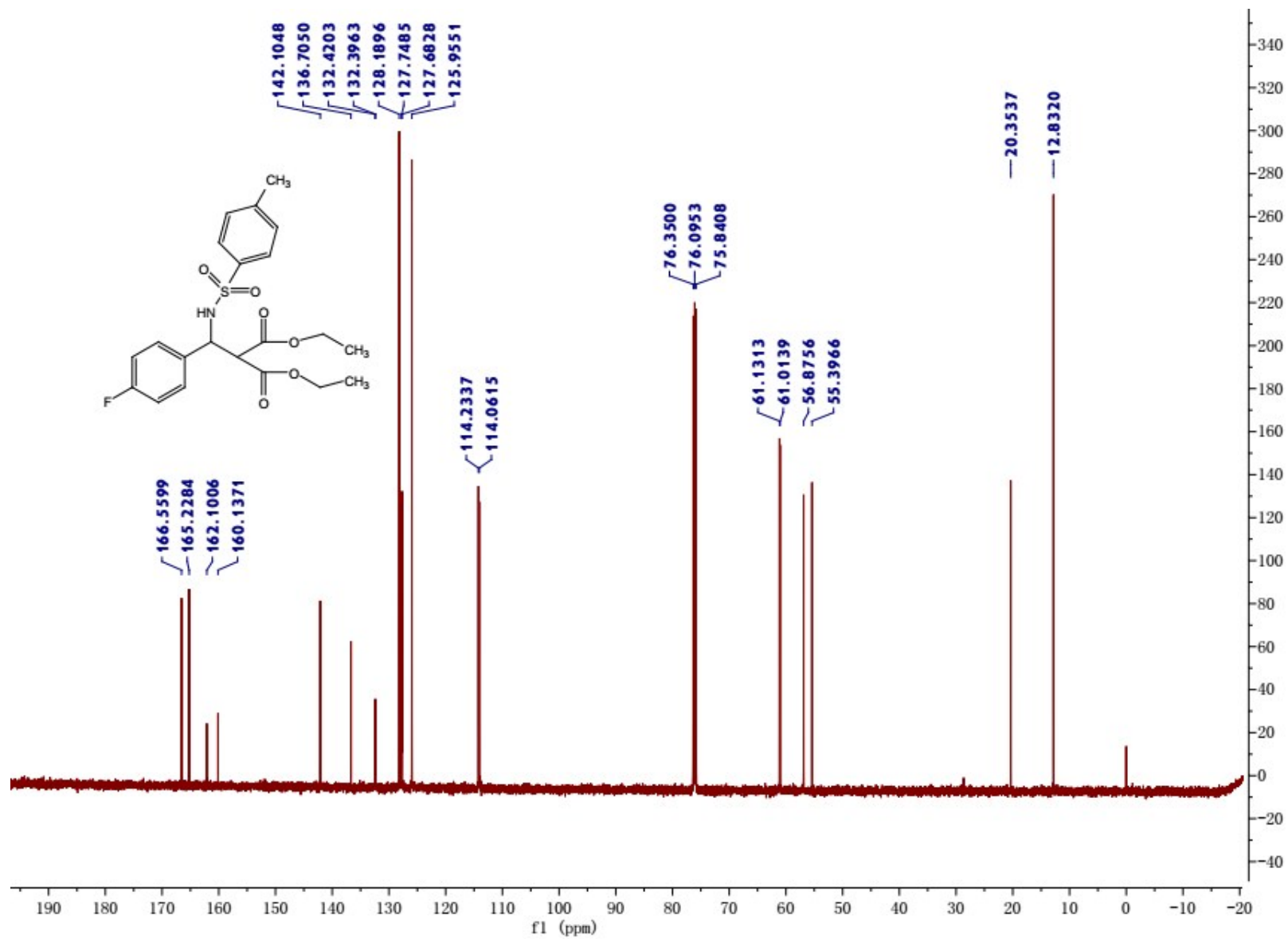
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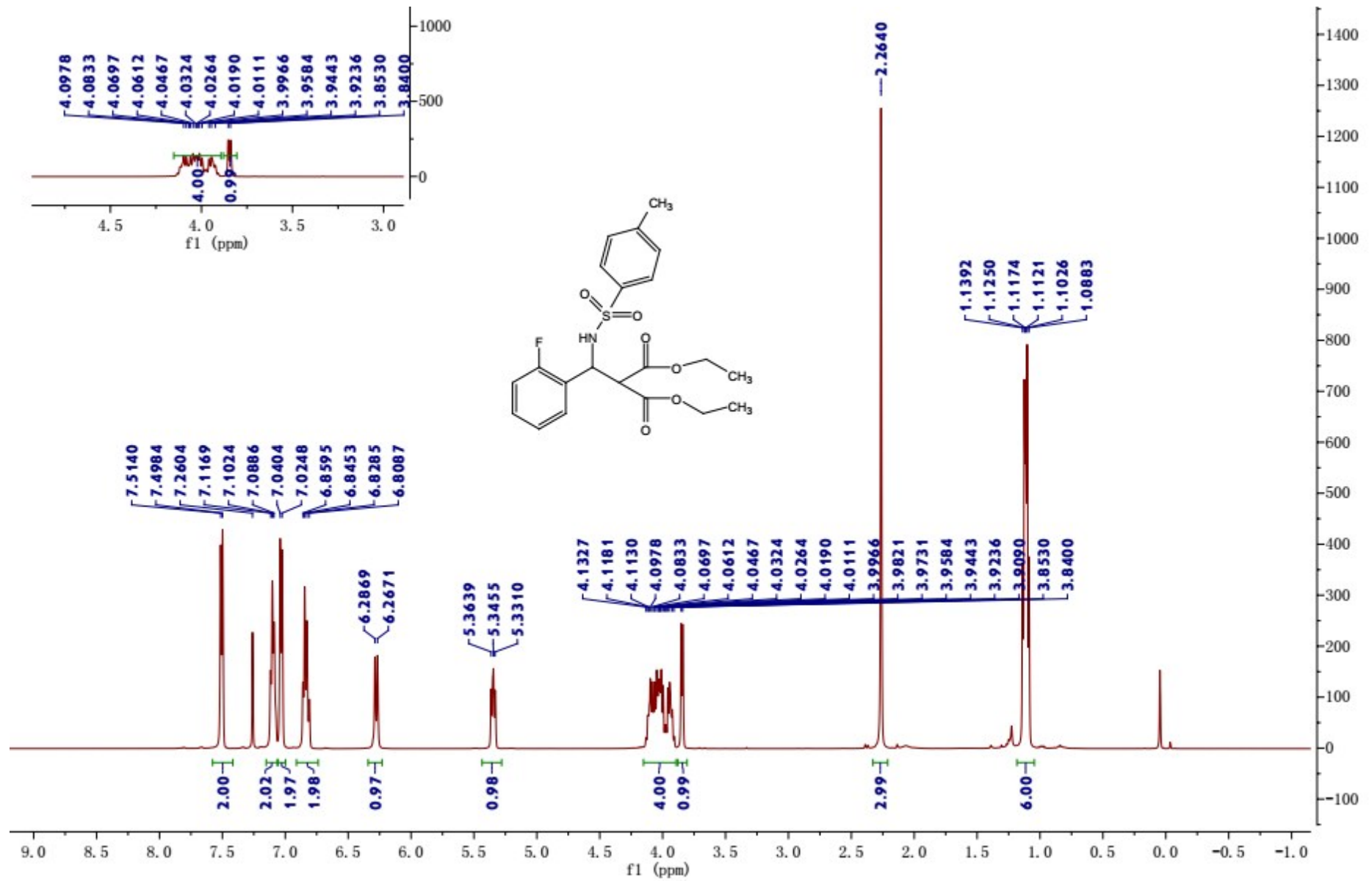


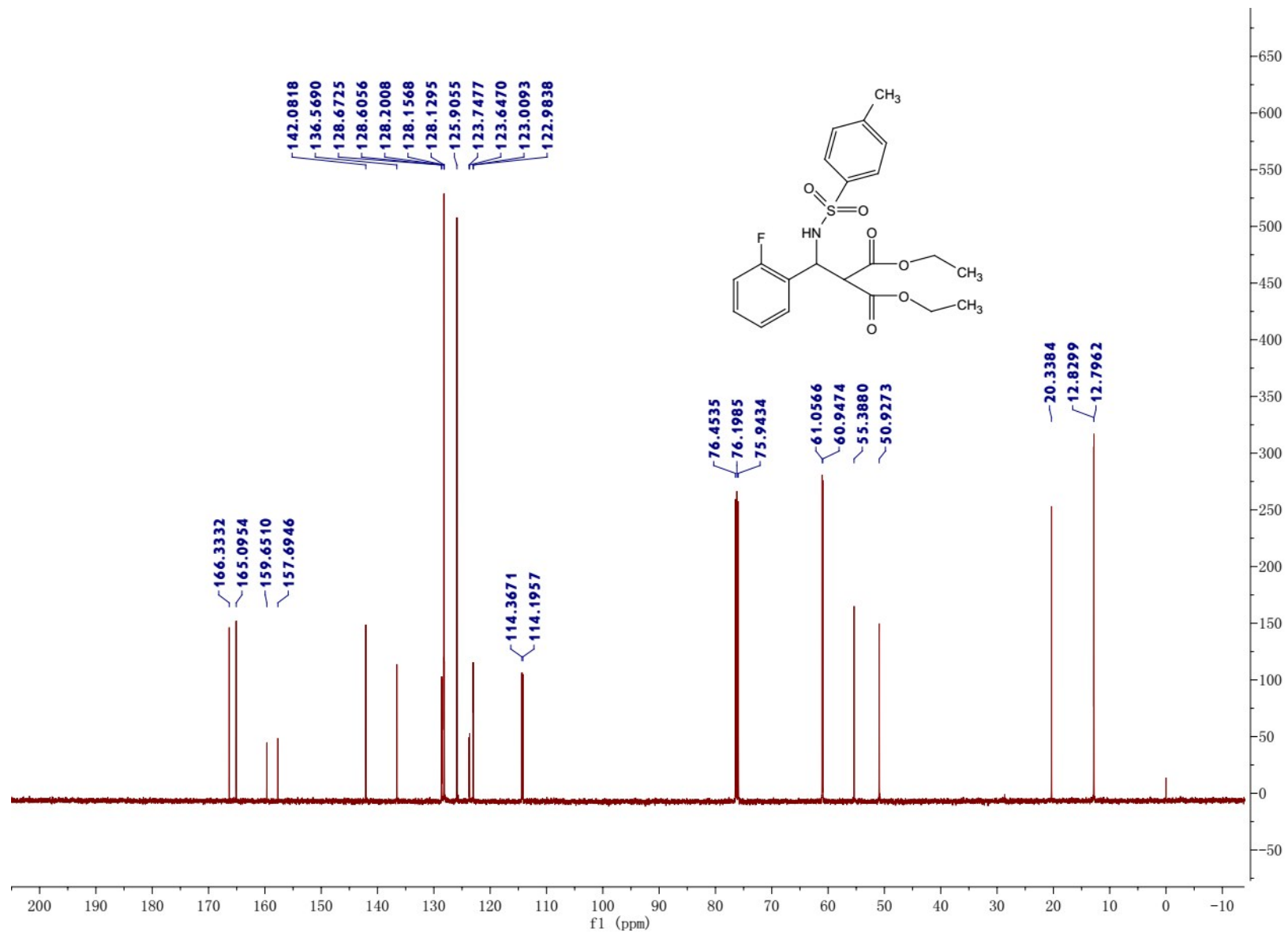
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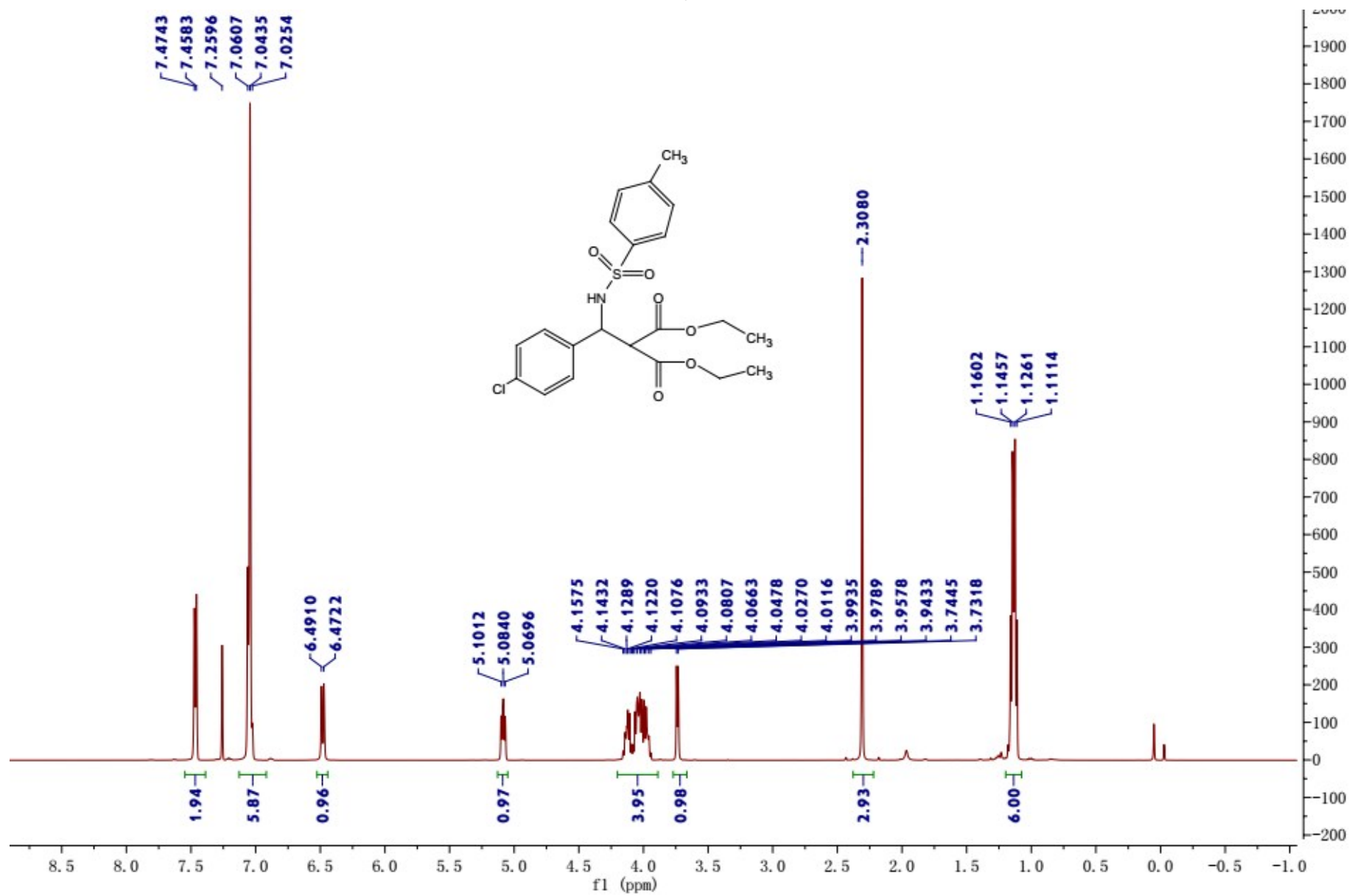


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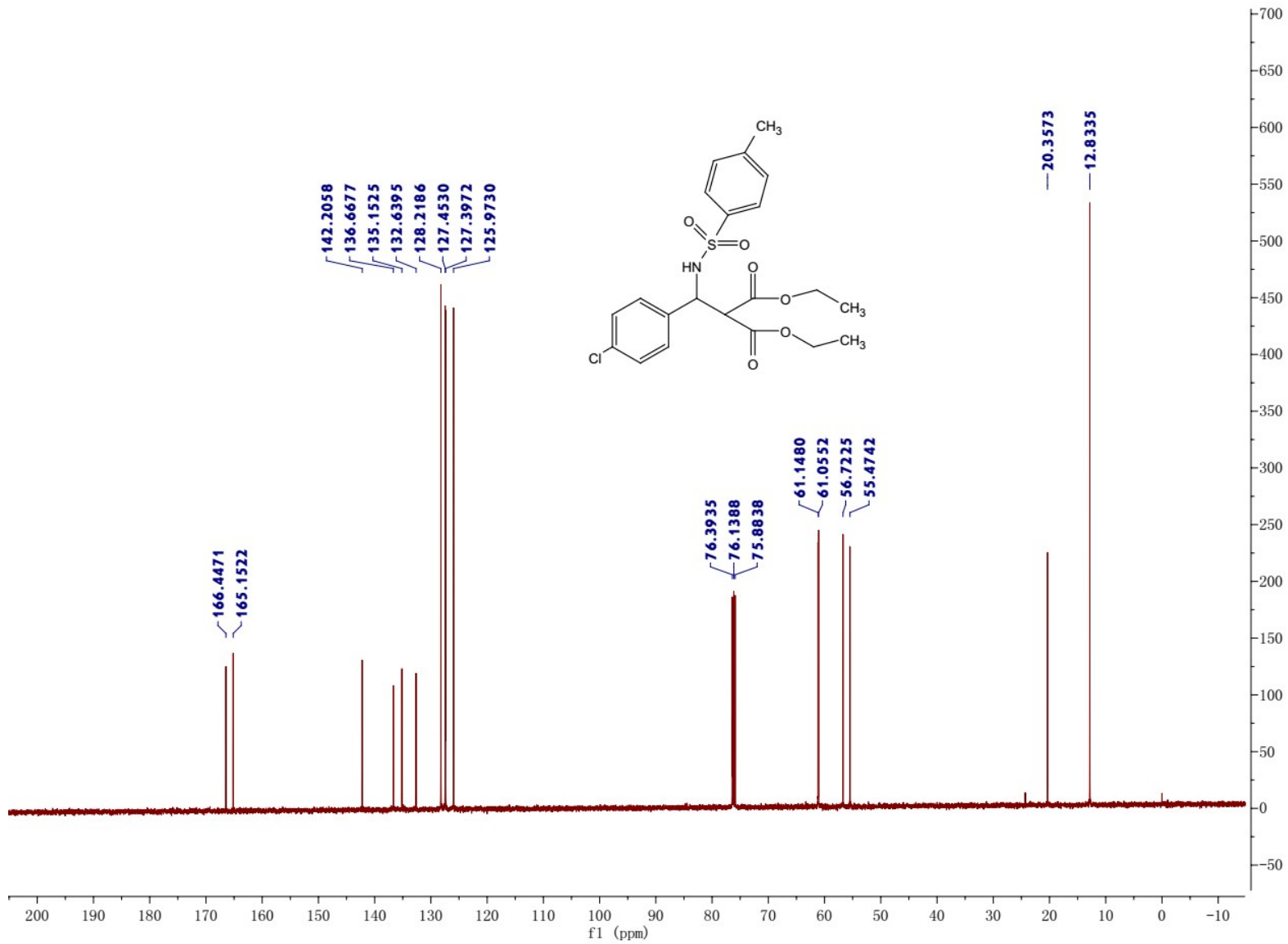




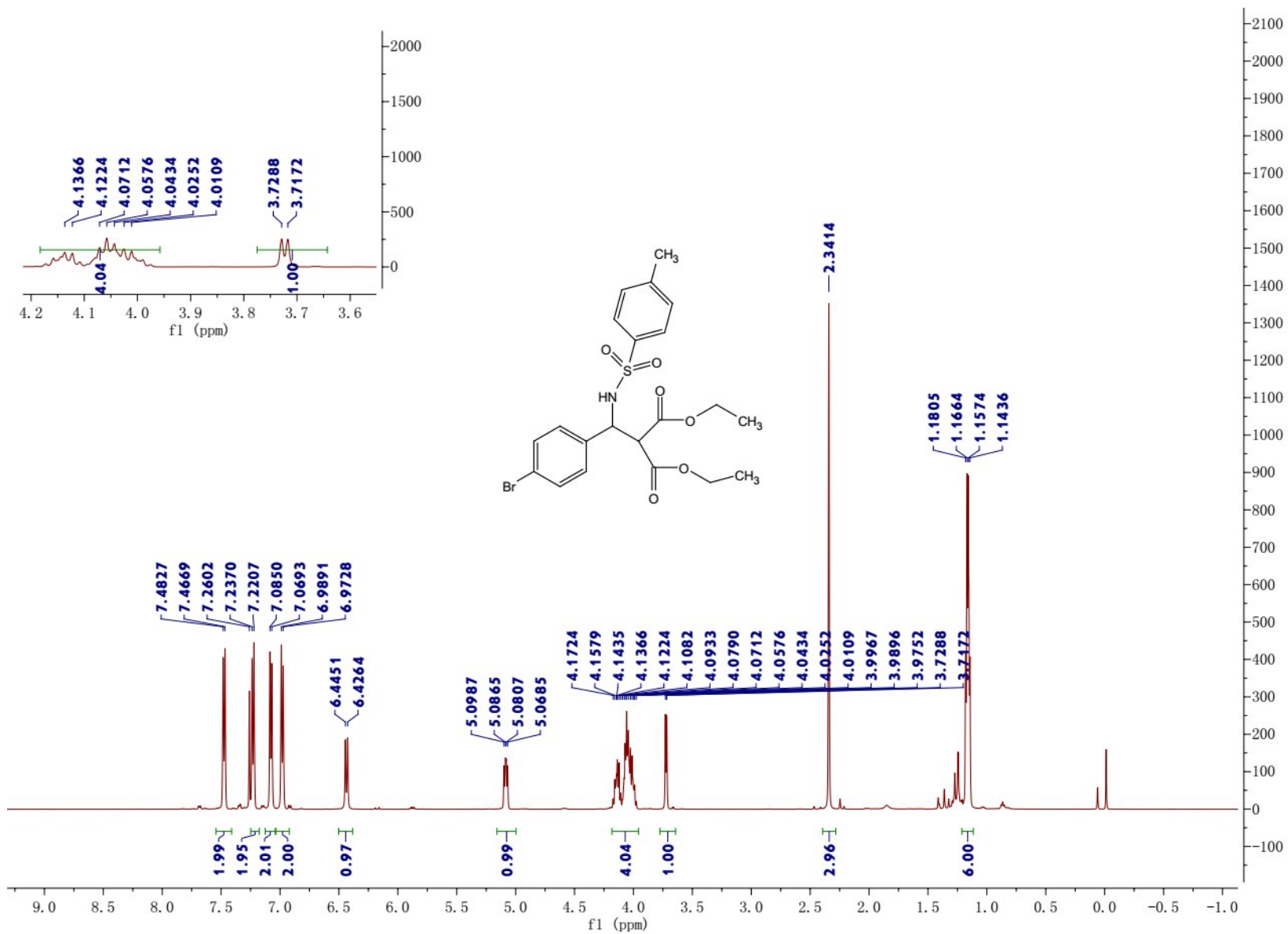
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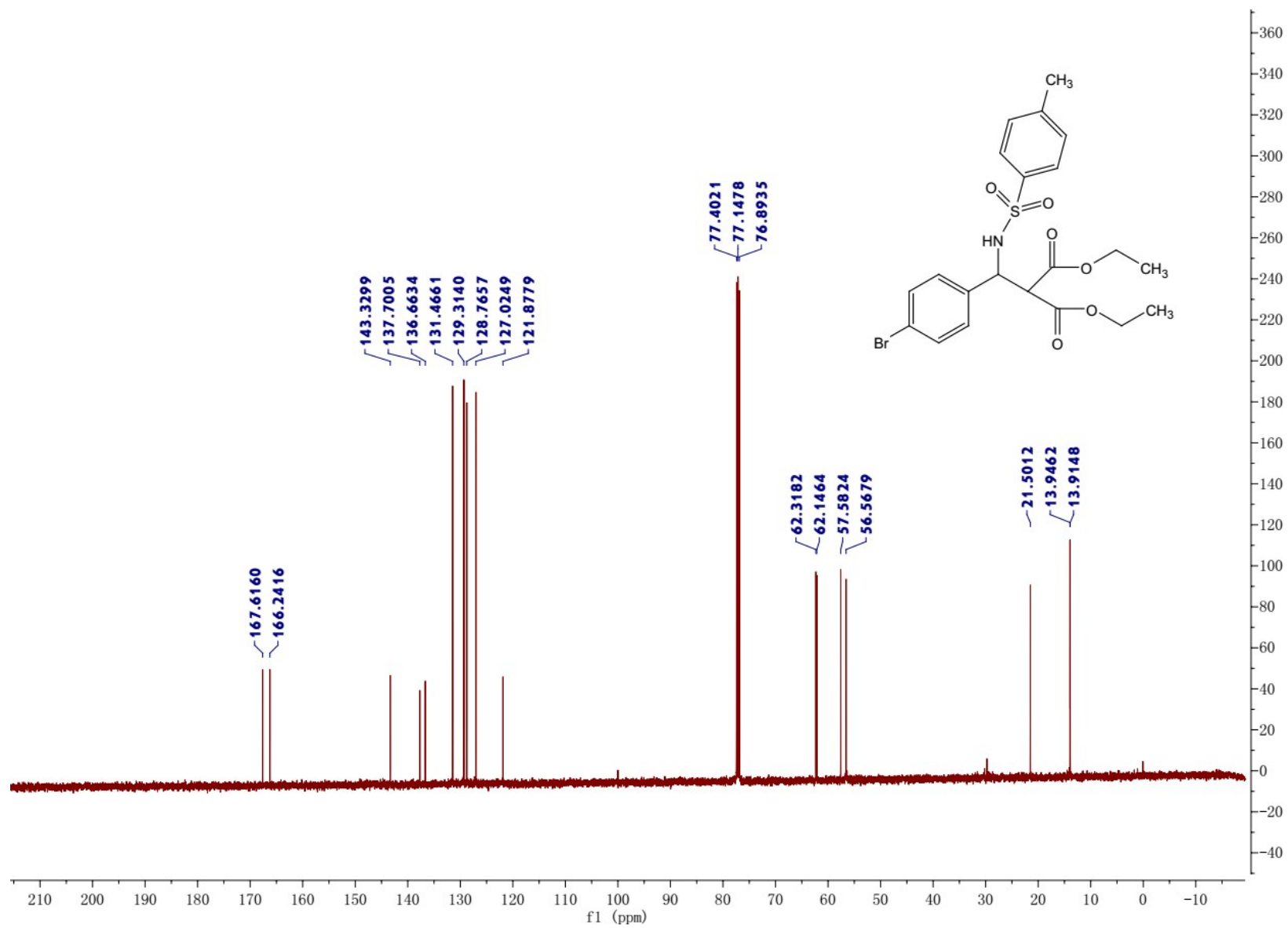


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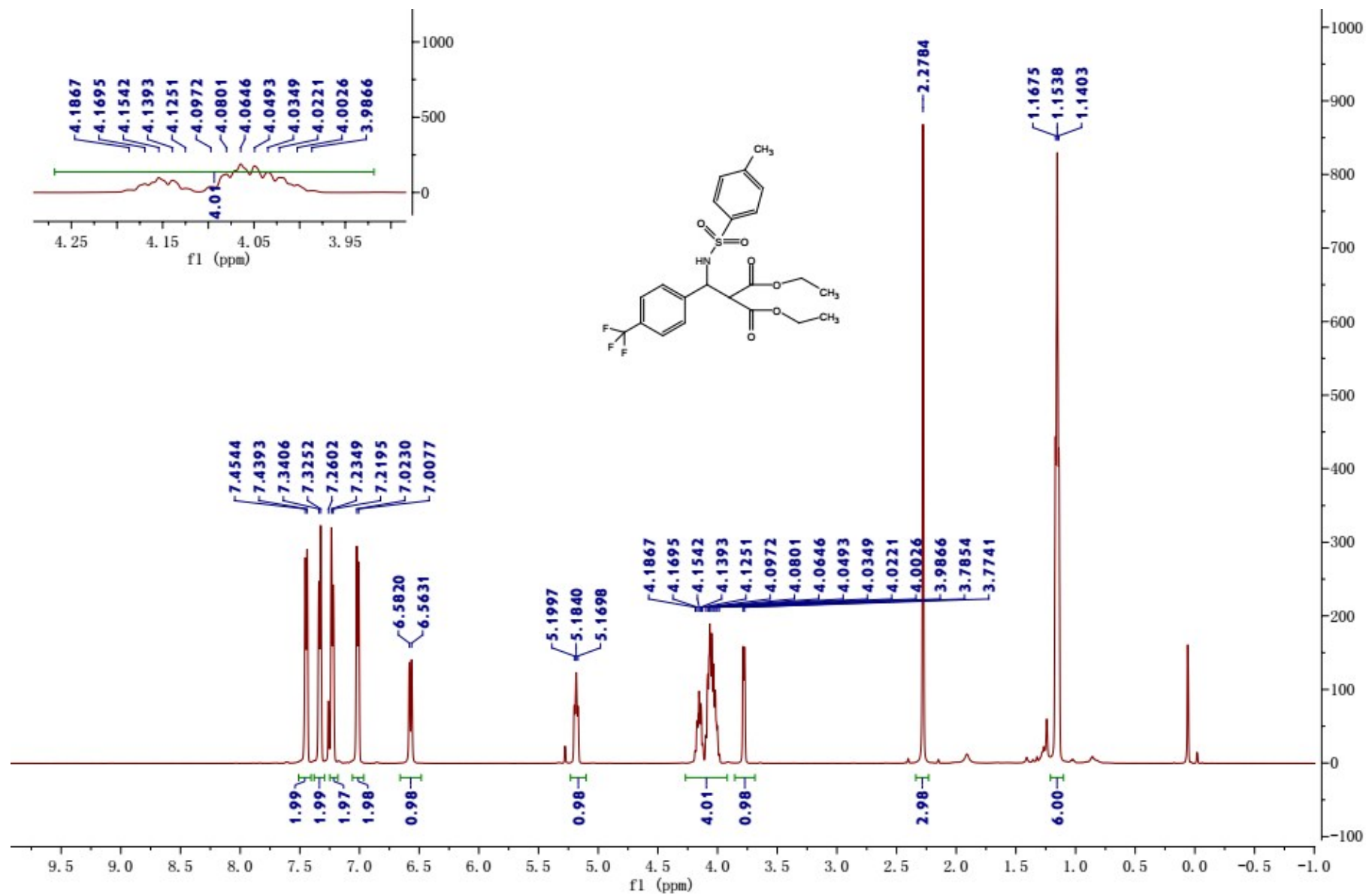


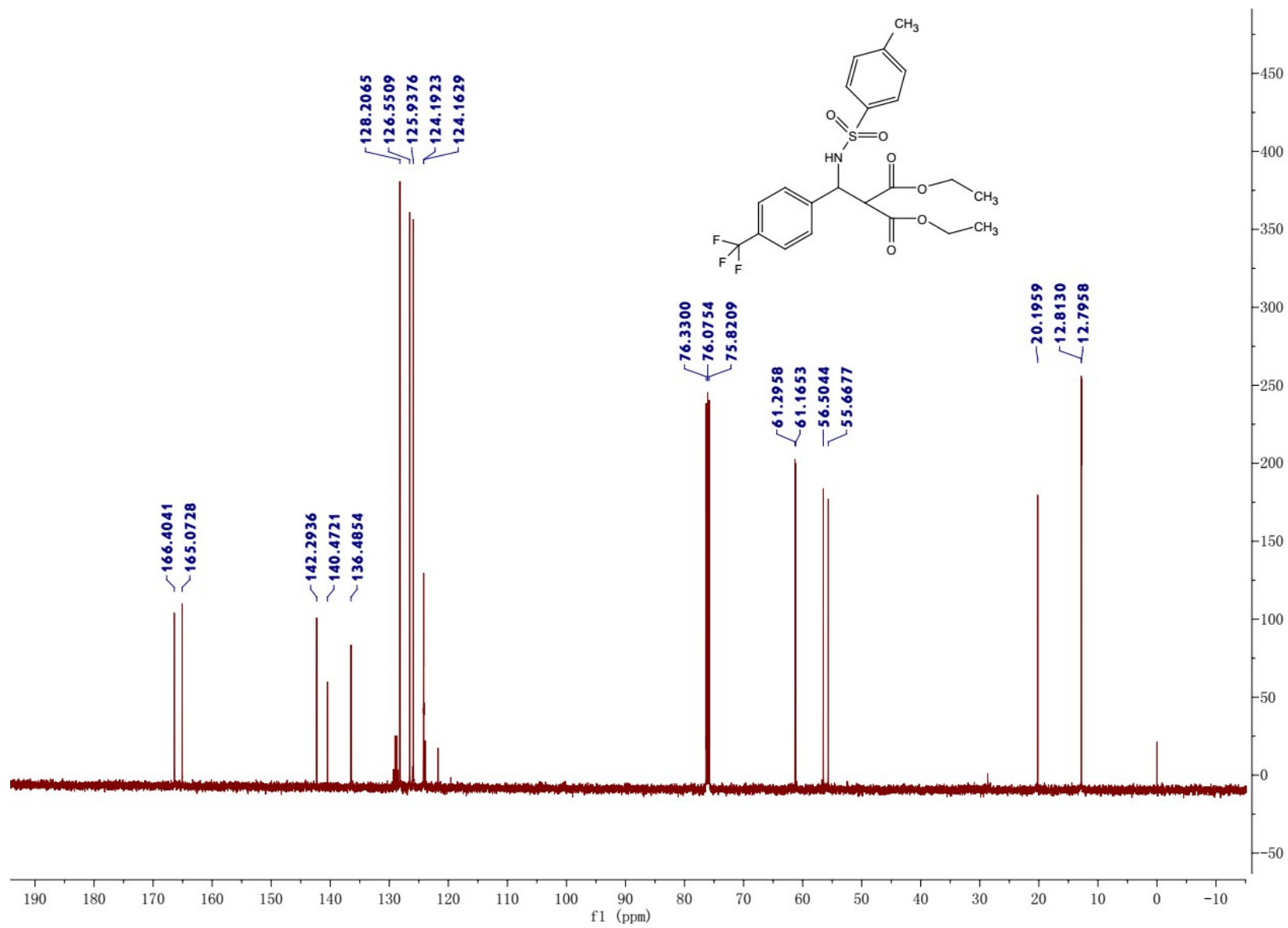
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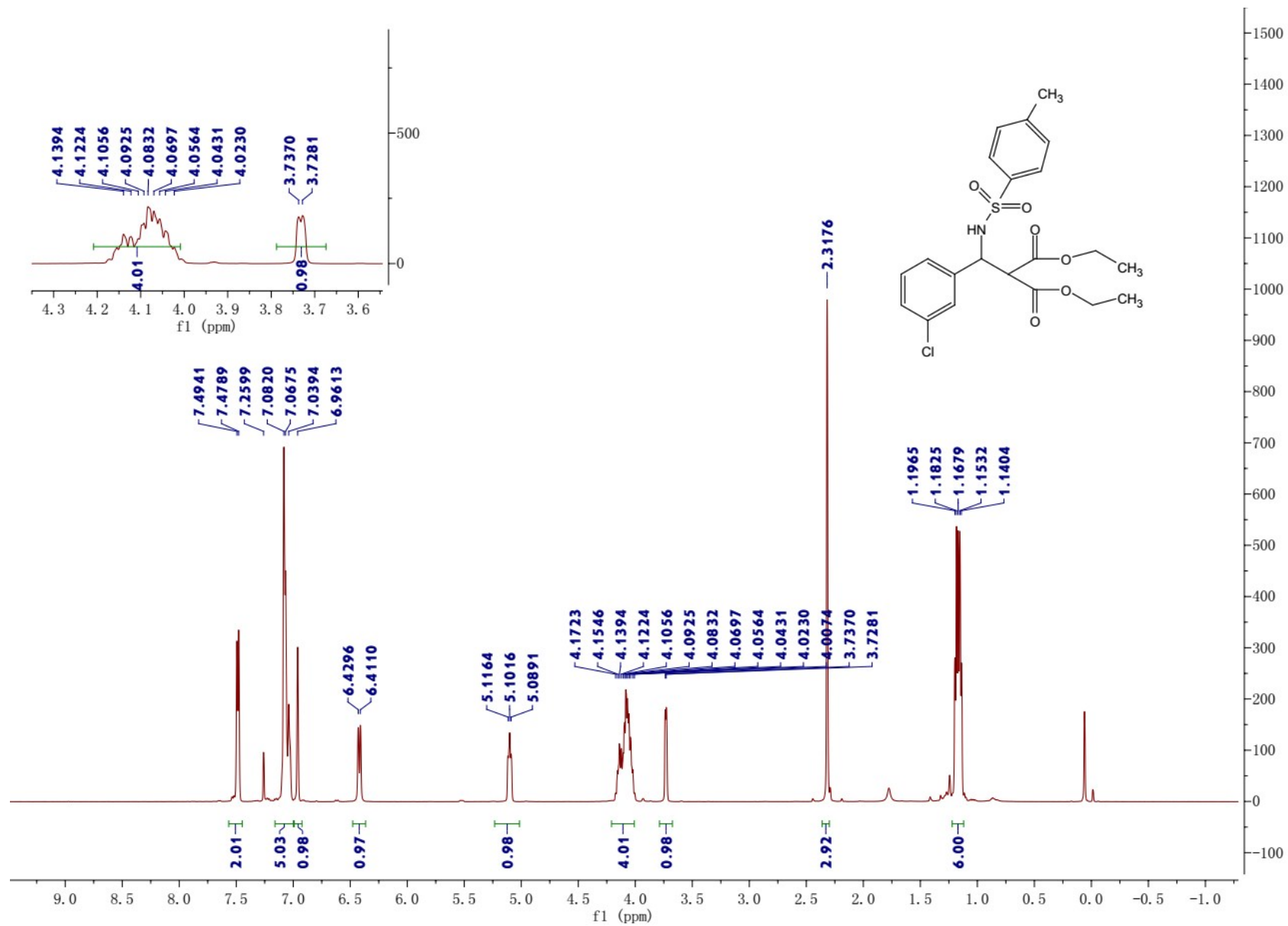


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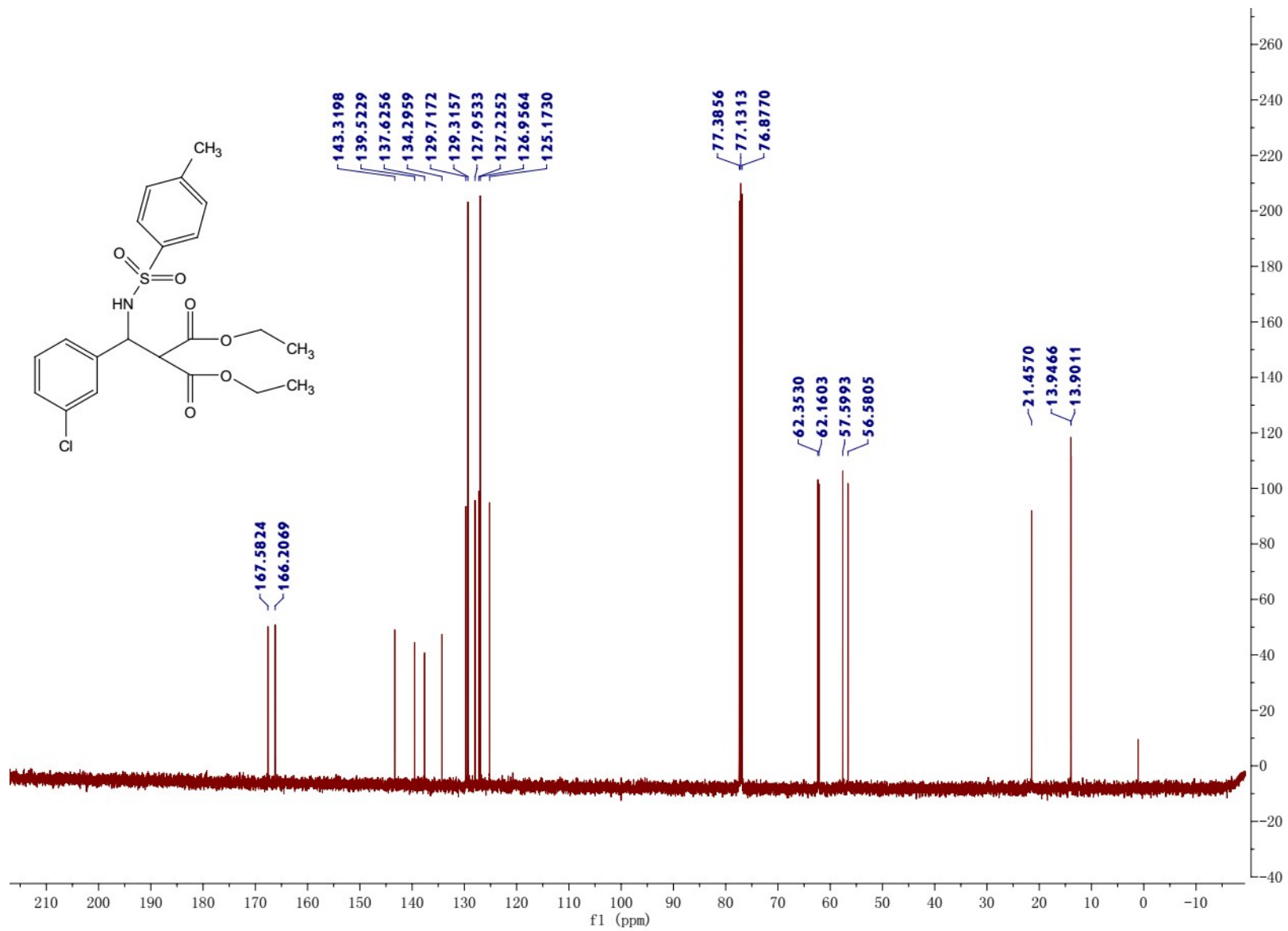


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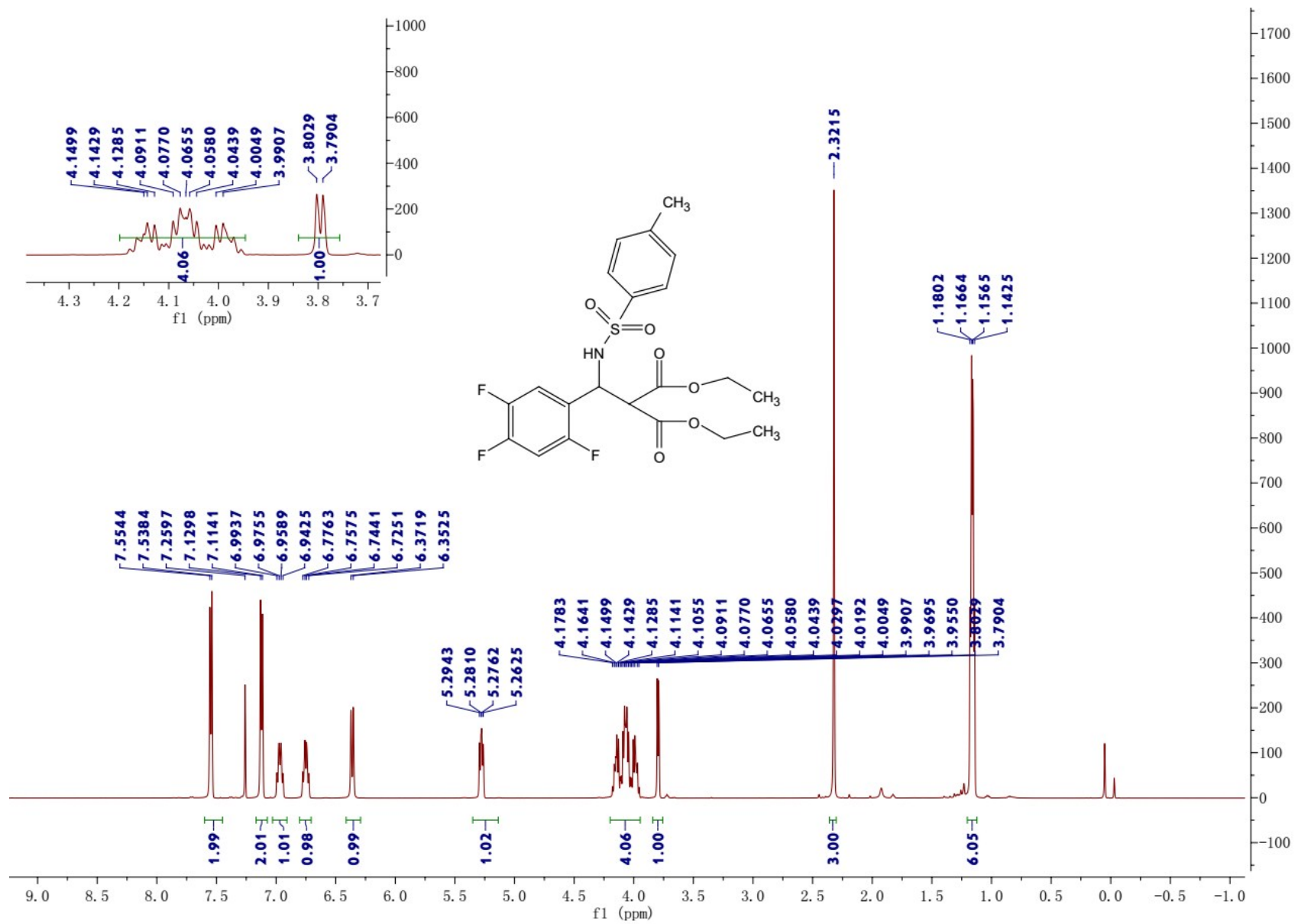
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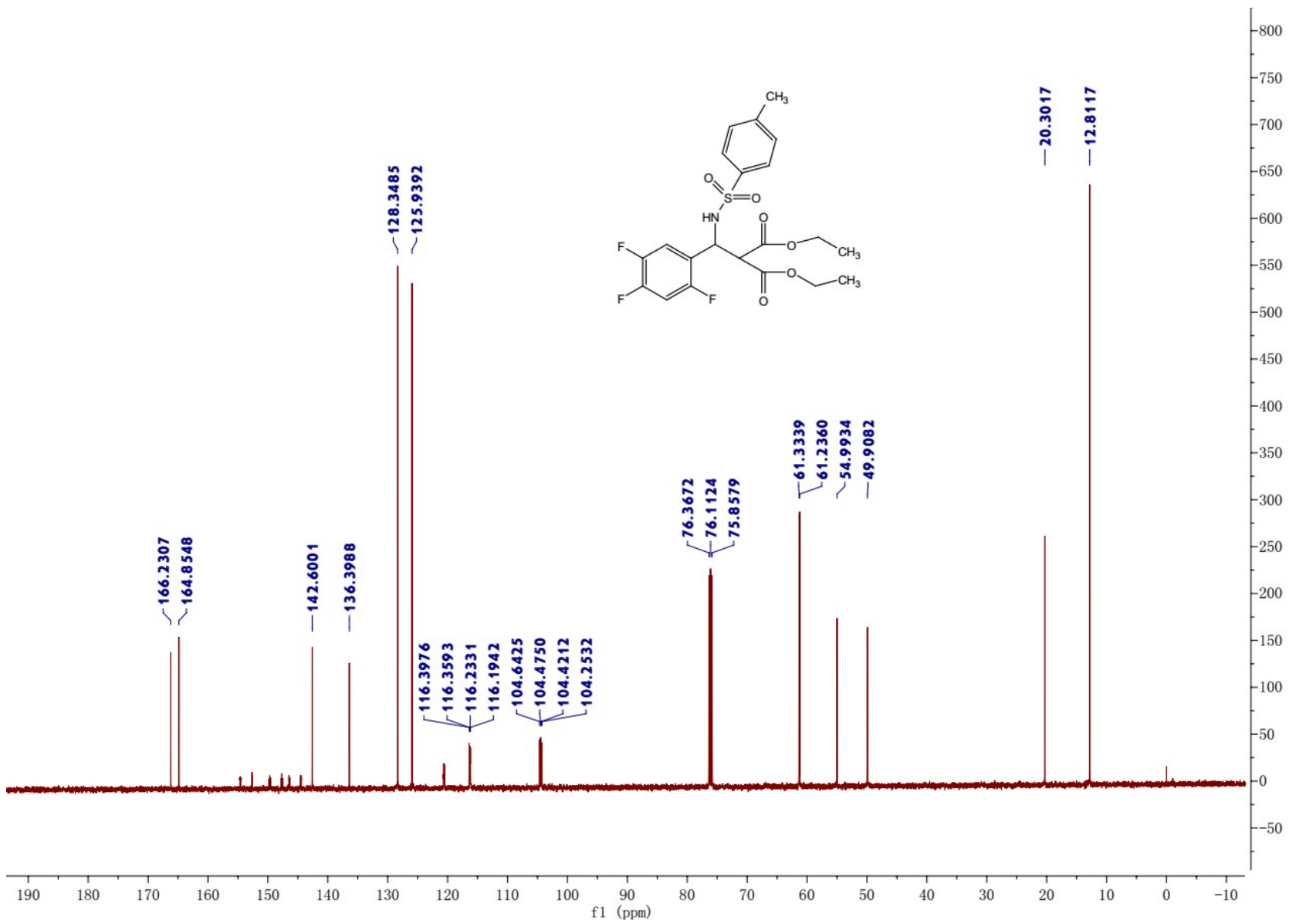
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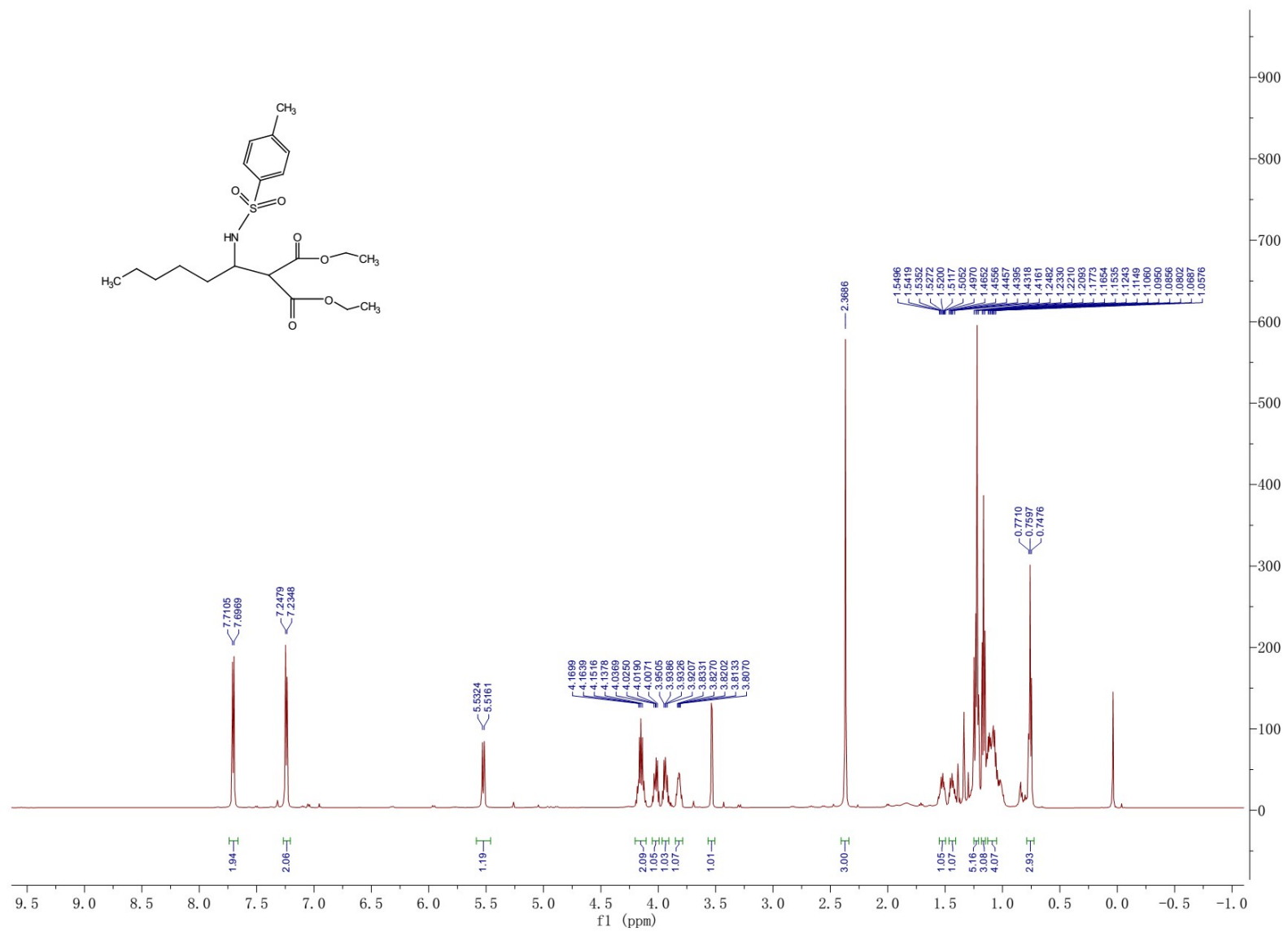
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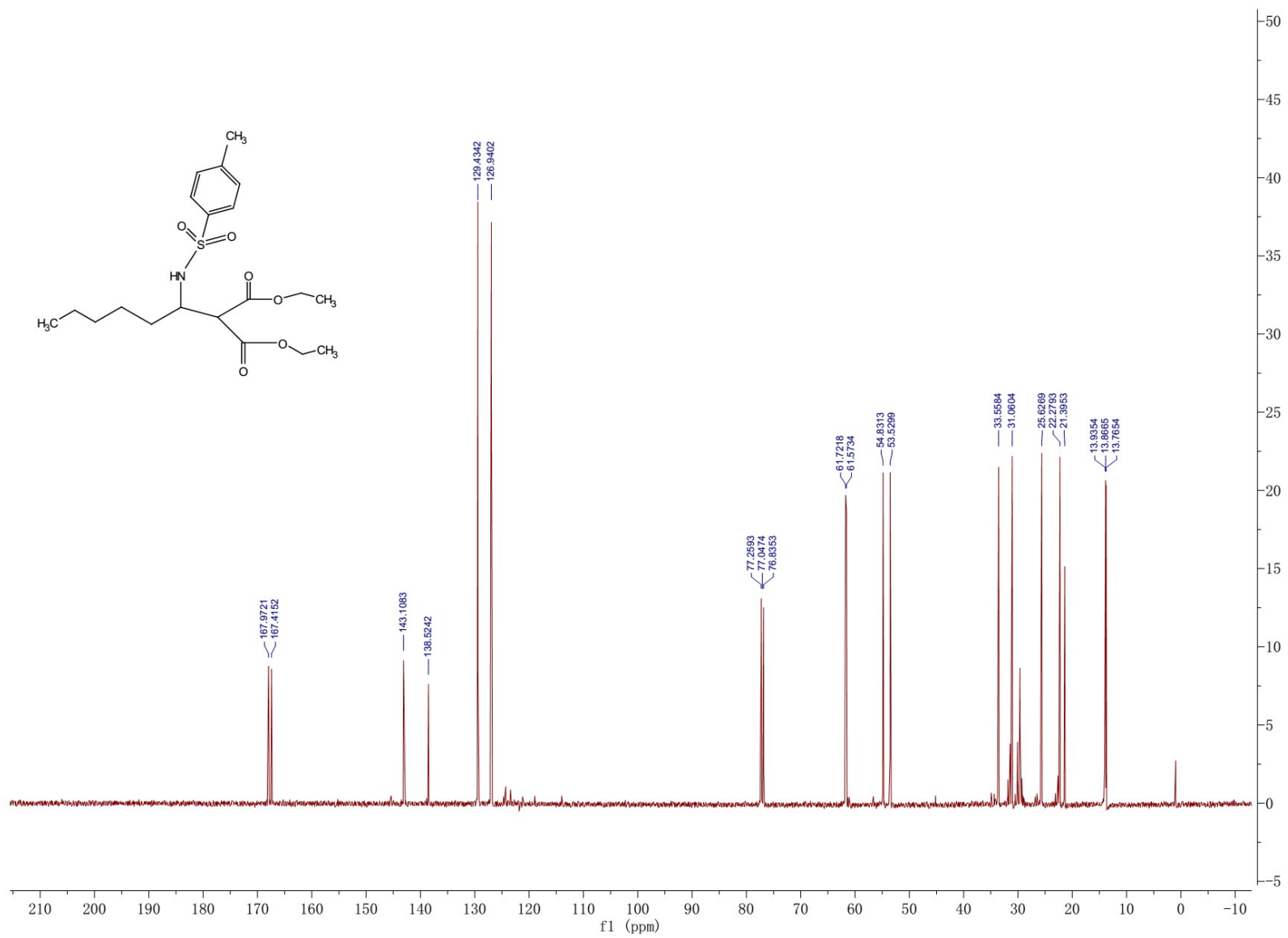


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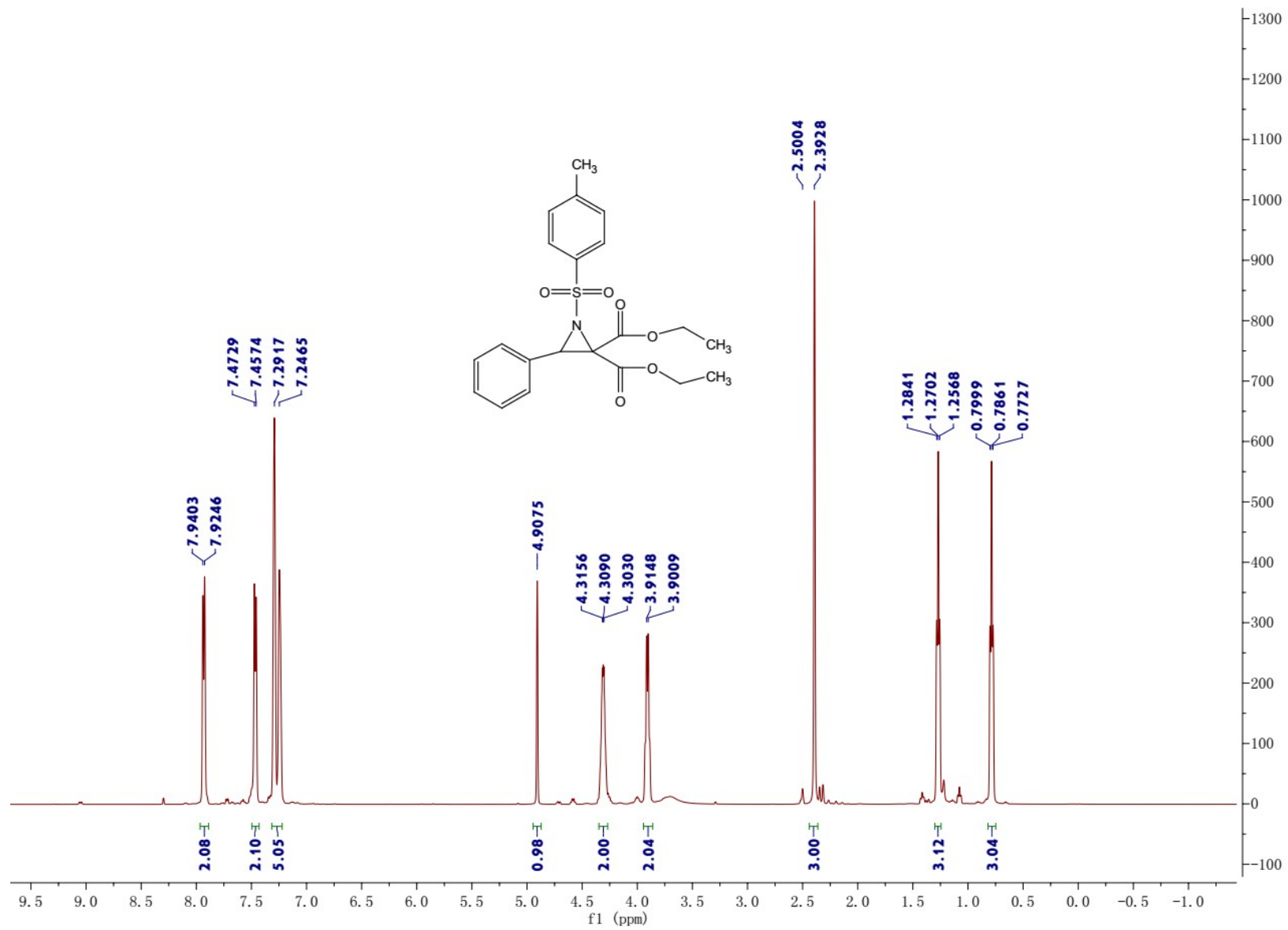
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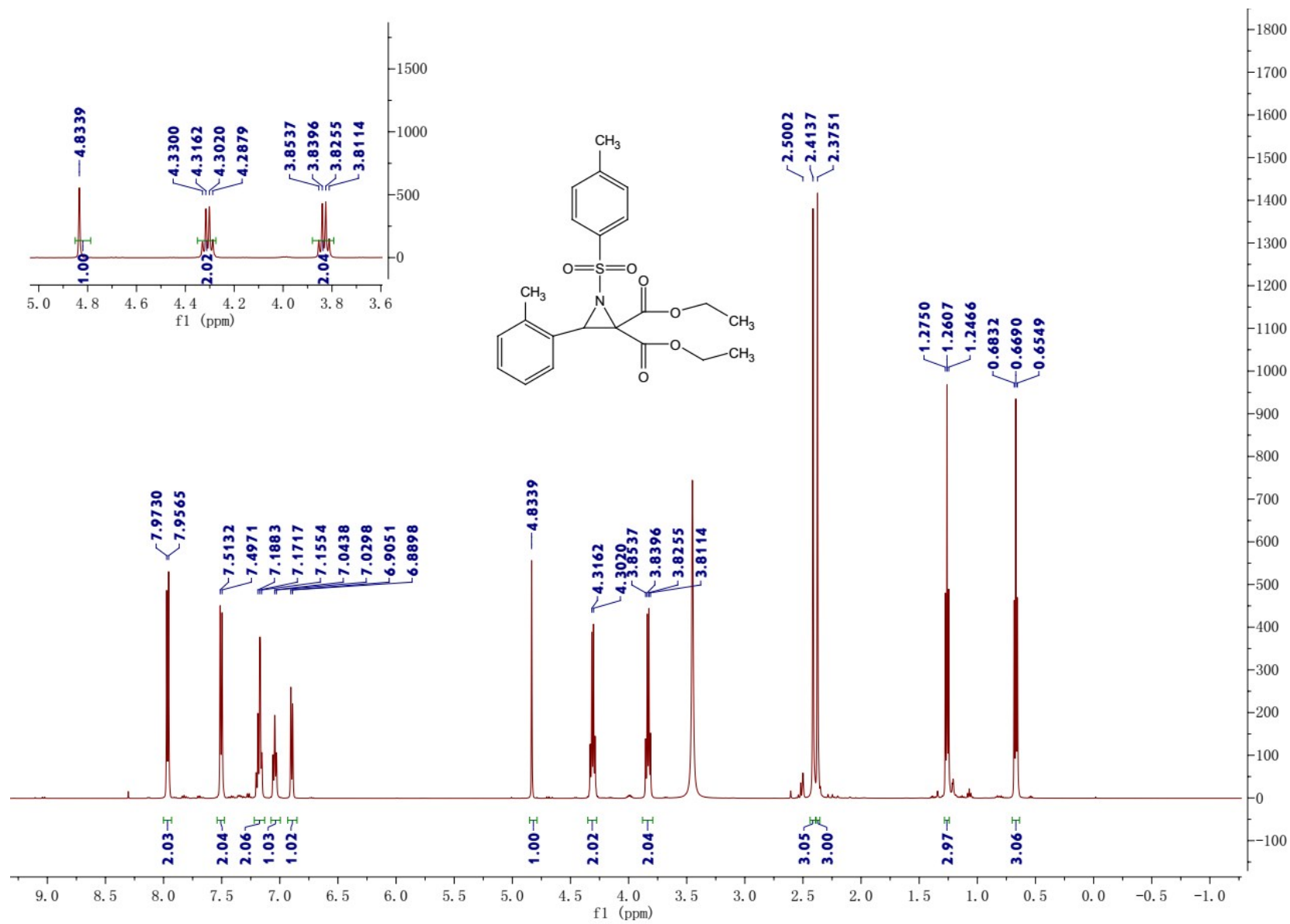


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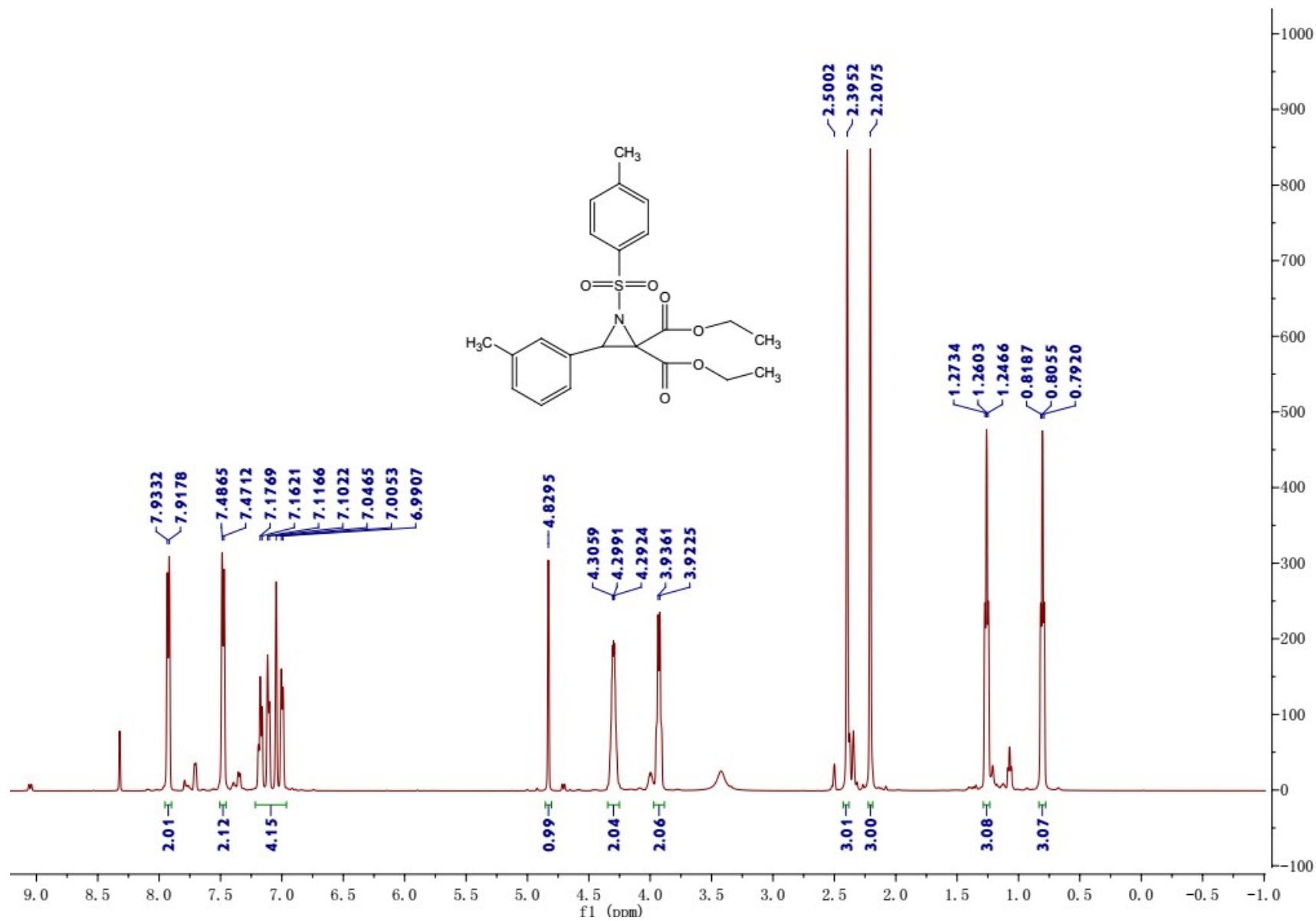
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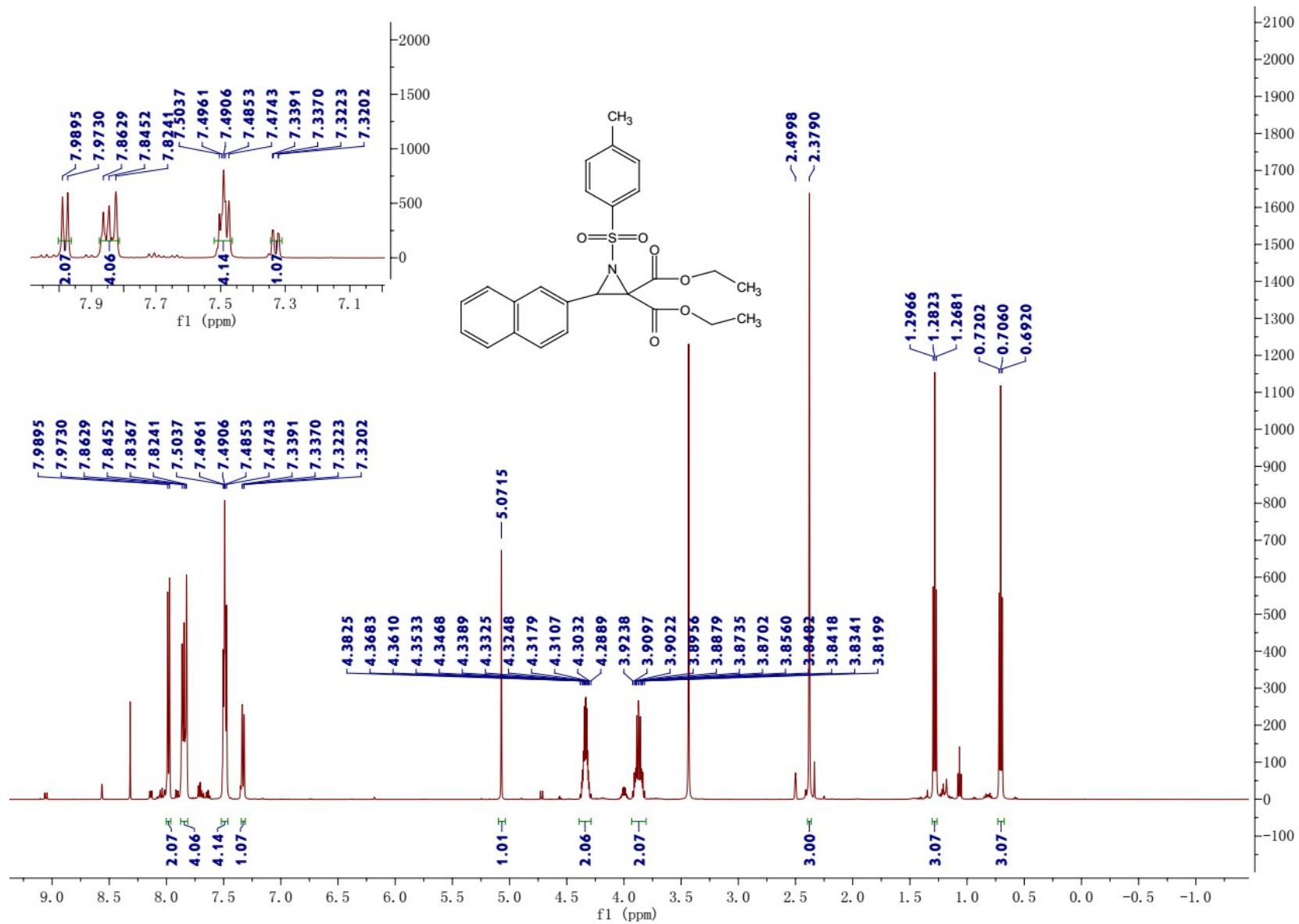
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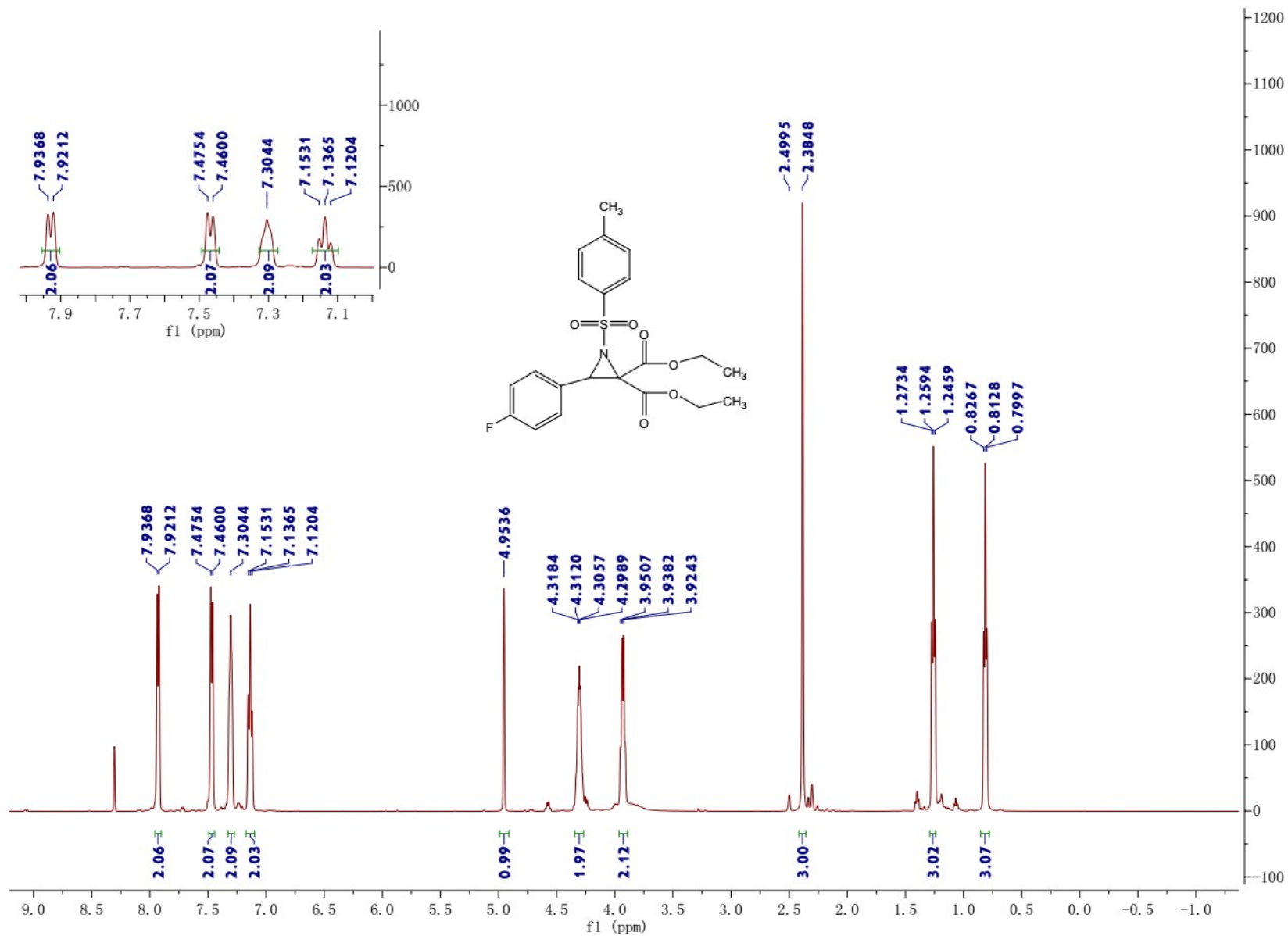
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