

Supporting Information

Synthesis of disulfides tethered pyrroles from β -ketothioamides via bicyclization/ring-opening/oxidative coupling reaction

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General procedure

Synthesis of 4

The mixture of thioamides **1** (0.6 mmol), ethyl 2-cyanoacetate **2** (0.6 mmol), arylglyoxals **3** (0.6 mmol) and EtOH (2 mL) was stirred at 50 °C in a 25 mL flask for the indicated time until complete consumption of starting materials as monitored by TLC (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 1:2, v/v). After completion of the reaction, the solid product was filtered, washed with EtOH, and subsequently dried and recrystallized with EtOH to give the pure product **4**.

Synthesis of 5

Under O₂, a 20 mL of Schlenk tube equipped with a stir bar was charged with disulfides (0.2 mmol), AIBN (0.3 mmol), CuI (0.04 mmol), KHCO₃ (0.2 mmol) and CH₃CN (2 mL). The tube was sealed with a Teflon lined cap. The reaction mixture was stirred at 100 °C for 12 h. After the completion of the reaction (monitored by TLC), the solvent was concentrated under vacuum and the residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel with petroleum ether-ethyl acetate as the eluent to give the desired product **5**.

Synthesis of 6

To a stirred solution of **1a** (0.6 mmol), **2a** (0.6 mmol) and **3** (0.6 mmol) in EtOH (2 mL) was added DIPEA (0.3 mmol) and then the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1.5 h. After completion of the reaction as monitored by TLC (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 4:1, v/v), amounts of solid were precipitated. The reaction mixture was filtered, washed with EtOH, and subsequently dried to give the pure product **6**.

Diethyl 2,2'-(disulfanediy)bis(4-benzoyl-1,2-diphenyl-1*H*-pyrrole-5,3-diyl))bis(3-amino-3-oxopropanoate) (4a) (CCDC 950534)

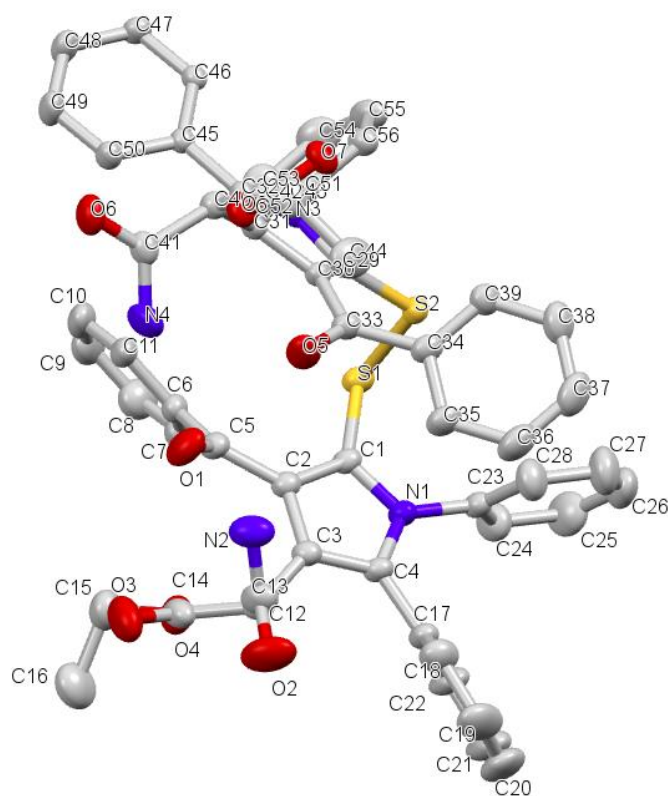


Figure S1. X-Ray crystal structure of **4a** with 25% probability displacement ellipsoids.

Table S1. Crystal Data and Structure Refinement for **4a**

Chemical formula	C ₃₁ H ₂₆ ClNO ₃ S
Color / shape	Yellow / Plate
Formula weight	967.09
Temperature, K	296(2)
Wavelength, Å	0.71073
Crystal system, space group	Triclinic, <i>P</i> 2 (1)/ <i>c</i>
Unit cell dimensions	$a = 11.660(3) \text{ \AA}$ $\alpha = 75.148(11)^\circ$ $b = 12.790(2) \text{ \AA}$ $\beta = 83.740(12)^\circ$ $c = 20.164(5) \text{ \AA}$ $\gamma = 72.575(13)^\circ$
Volume, Å ³	2771.6(10)
Z	2
Density (calculated), mg/m ³	1.159
Absorption coefficient, mm ⁻¹	0.150
θ range for data collection, deg	1.05-25.00

Limiting indices	-13<=h<=13, -15<=k<=15, -23<=l<=23
Reflections collected / unique	29909 / 9737 [R(int) = 0.0563]
Completeness to theta = 25.00	99.7 %
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents
Max. and min. transmission	1.000, 0.7413
Data / restraints / parameters	9737 / 126 / 674
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.081
Final R indices [I>2σ(I)]	R ₁ = 0.0710, wR ₂ = 0.1810
R indices (all data)	R ₁ = 0.0873, wR ₂ = 0.1936
Largest diff. peak and hole, e. Å ⁻³	0.268, -0.314
F (000)	1012.0

Ethyl 2-(4-benzoyl-2-(4-fluorophenyl)-1-phenyl-5-thiocyanato-1*H*-pyrrol-3-yl)-2-oxacetate (5) (CCDC 1430509)

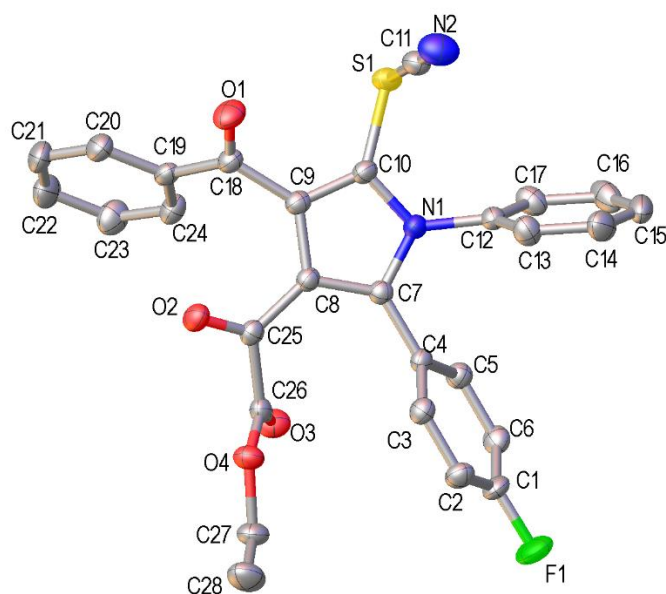


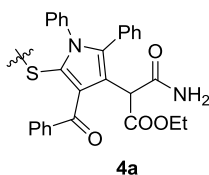
Figure S2. X-Ray crystal structure of **5** with 50% probability displacement ellipsoids.

Table S2. Crystal Data and Structure Refinement for **5**

Empirical formula	C ₂₈ H ₁₉ F N ₂ O ₄ S
Formula weight	498.51
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Wavelength	0.71073 Å
Crystal system	Monoclinic

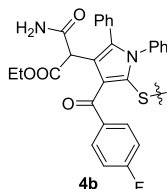
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Unit cell dimensions	a = 18.382 (3) Å	= 90 °
	b = 12.608 (15) Å	= 97.036(3) °
	c = 10.333(3) Å	= 90 °
Volume	2376.8(10) Å ³	
Z	4	
Density (calculated)	1.393Mg/m ³	
Absorption coefficient	0.183 mm ⁻¹	
F(000)	1032	
Crystal size	0.52 x 0.4 x 0.11 mm ³	
Theta range for data collection	2.756 to 27.492 °	
Index ranges	-22<=h<=23, -15<=k<=16, -12<=l<=13	
Reflections collected	16112	
Independent reflections	5404 [R(int) = 0.0306]	
Completeness to theta = 26.000 °	99.1 %	
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents	
Max. and min. transmission	1.0000 and 0.7754	
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²	
Data / restraints / parameters	5404 / 0 / 326	
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.168	
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0485, wR2 = 0.0899	
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0555, wR2 = 0.0939	
Extinction coefficient	n/a	
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.433 and -0.250 e.Å ⁻³	

Diethyl 2,2'-(disulfanediylbis(4-benzoyl-1,2-diphenyl-1*H*-pyrrole-5,3-diyl))bis(3-amino-3-oxopropanoate) (4a)



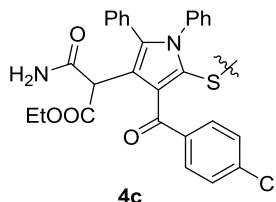
yellow solid, mp:172–174 °C. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz) δ : 1.06 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 3H, CH_3), 3.87–4.07 (m, 2H, CH_2), 4.45 (s, 1H, CH), 5.56 (d, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 6.04 (s, 1H, NH_2), 6.76 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.11 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.19–7.25 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.27–7.31 (m, 3H, ArH), 7.38 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.55 (t, $J = 7.40$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.71 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H, ArH), 9.06 (s, 1H, NH_2); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 MHz) δ : 194.6, 171.0, 168.7, 141.3, 140.3, 136.1, 132.4, 130.9, 130.1, 129.7, 129.3, 128.9, 128.7, 128.3, 128.2, 126.6, 117.7, 61.9, 53.6, 14.0; HRMS (ESI-TOF, $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$): calcd for $\text{C}_{56}\text{H}_{47}\text{N}_4\text{O}_8\text{S}_2$, 967.2835; found, 967.2846.

Diethyl 2,2'-(disulfanediylbis(4-(4-fluorobenzoyl)-1,2-diphenyl-1*H*-pyrrole-5,3-diyl))bis(3-amino-3-oxopropanoate) (4b)



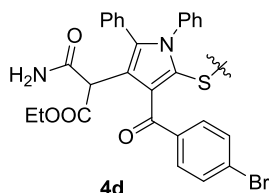
yellow solid, mp:160–162 °C. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz) δ : 1.08 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 3H, CH_3), 3.87–4.09 (m, 2H, CH_2), 4.44 (s, 1H, CH), 5.66 (s, 1H, ArH), 6.00 (s, 1H, NH_2), 6.86 (s, 1H, ArH), 7.06 (t, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.10–7.22 (m, 5H, ArH), 7.26–7.30 (m, 3H, ArH), 7.72–7.75 (m, 2H, ArH), 9.00 (s, 1H, NH_2); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 MHz) δ : 13.9, 53.3, 61.9, 115.3 (d, $^2J_{\text{C-F}} = 21.4$ Hz) 117.8, 126.3, 128.3, 1287 (d, $^3J_{\text{C-F}} = 54.8$ Hz), 129.6, 130.8, 132.6, 136.3 (d, $^3J_{\text{C-F}} = 63.7$ Hz), 141.4, 165.6 (d, $^1J_{\text{C-F}} = 255.0$ Hz), 169.8 (d, $^1J_{\text{C-F}} = 262.3$ Hz), 193.1; HRMS (ESI-TOF, $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$): calcd for $\text{C}_{56}\text{H}_{45}\text{F}_2\text{N}_4\text{O}_8\text{S}_2$, 1003.2647; found, 1003.2661.

Diethyl 2,2'-(disulfanediylbis(4-(4-chlorobenzoyl)-1,2-diphenyl-1*H*-pyrrole-5,3-diyl))bis(3-amino-3-oxopropanoate) (4c)



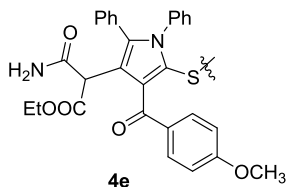
yellow solid, mp: 195–198 °C; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz) δ : 1.09 (t, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 3H, CH_3), 3.88–4.13 (m, 2H, CH_2), 4.45 (s, 1H, CH), 5.65 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 6.00 (s, 1H, NH_2), 6.92 (s, 1H, ArH), 7.11–7.18 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.27–7.33 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.34–7.36 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.64–7.66 (m, 2H, ArH), 8.98 (s, 1H, NH_2); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 MHz) δ : 14.0, 53.4, 62.0, 117.8, 126.5, 128.3, 128.5, 128.8, 129.0, 129.1, 129.6, 130.8, 131.4, 136.0, 138.6, 139.2, 141.5, 168.7, 170.8, 193.4; HRMS (ESI-TOF, $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$): calcd for $\text{C}_{56}\text{H}_{45}\text{Cl}_2\text{N}_4\text{O}_8\text{S}_2$, 1035.2056; found, 1035.2062.

Diethyl 2,2'-(disulfanediylbis(4-(4-bromobenzoyl)-1,2-diphenyl-1*H*-pyrrole-5,3-diyl)) bis(3-amino-3-oxopropanoate) (4d)



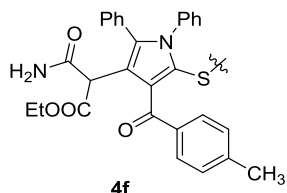
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Diethyl 2,2'-(disulfanediylbis(4-(4-methoxybenzoyl)-1,2-diphenyl-1*H*-pyrrole-5,3-diyl)) bis(3-amino-3-oxopropanoate) (4e)



yellow solid, mp: 213–215 °C; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz) δ : 1.06 (t, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 3H, CH_3), 3.84–4.14 (m, 2H, CH_2), 4.41 (s, 1H, CH), 5.59 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 6.04 (s, 1H, NH_2), 6.75–6.78 (m, 1H, ArH), 6.86–6.88 (m, 2H, ArH), 6.98–7.02 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.11–7.18 (m, 3H, ArH), 7.21–7.24 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.28–7.31 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.69–7.71 (m, 2H, ArH), 9.06 (s, 1H, NH_2); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 MHz) δ : 14.0, 21.0, 53.6, 55.4, 59.2, 60.4, 61.4, 61.8, 73.5, 113.4, 117.1, 126.0, 128.0, 128.1, 128.3, 128.7, 129.1, 129.7, 130.9, 131.7, 132.5, 132.8, 136.3, 138.8, 141.1, 163.5, 168.8, 171.2, 192.8; HRMS (ESI-TOF, $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$): calcd for $\text{C}_{58}\text{H}_{51}\text{N}_4\text{O}_{10}\text{S}_2$, 1027.3047; found, 1027.3052.

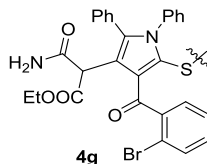
Diethyl 2,2'-(disulfanediylbis(4-(4-methylbenzoyl)-1,2-diphenyl-1*H*-pyrrole-5,3-diyl)) bis(3-amino-3-oxopropanoate) (4f)



yellow solid, mp: 164–166 °C; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz) δ : 1.05 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 3H, CH_3), 2.40 (s, 3H, CH_3), 3.81–4.09 (m, 2H, CH_2), 4.41 (s, 1H, CH), 5.58 (d, $J = 6.3$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 6.02 (s, 1H, NH_2), 6.73 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.10–7.13 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.16–7.19 (m, 6H, ArH), 7.26–7.30 (m, 3H, ArH), 7.60 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H, ArH), 9.05 (s, 1H, NH_2); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 MHz) δ : 14.0, 14.0, 21.7, 53.6, 61.8, 117.7, 126.3, 128.1, 128.3, 128.7, 128.9, 129.1, 129.5, 129.8, 130.0, 130.3, 130.6, 130.9, 136.3, 137.7, 141.1, 143.4, 168.8, 171.1, 194.1;

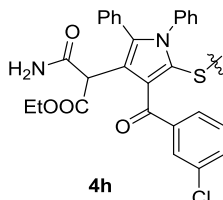
HRMS (ESI-TOF, $[M + H]^+$): calcd for $C_{58}H_{51}N_4O_8S_2$, 995.3148; found, 995.3165.

Diethyl 2,2'-(disulfanediy)bis(4-(2-bromobenzoyl)-1,2-diphenyl-1H-pyrrole-5,3-diyl))bis(3-amino-3-oxopropanoate) (4g)



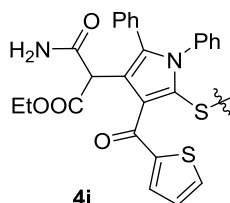
yellow solid, mp: 155–157 °C; 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 500 MHz) δ : 1.20 (s, 3H, CH_3), 4.15 (s, 2H, CH_2), 4.58 (s, 1H, CH), 5.60 (s, 1H, NH_2), 5.60- 6.96 (m, 3H, ArH), 7.17-7.26 (m, 8H, ArH), 7.26–7.56 (m, 3H, ArH, NH_2), 8.57 (s, 1H, NH_2); ^{13}C NMR ($CDCl_3$, 125 MHz) δ : 14.4, 62.0, 127.5, 128.1, 128.2, 129.1, 130.2, 131.2, 133.3, 136.5, 141.1, 142.4, 169.2, 170.3, 193.6; HRMS (ESI-TOF, $[M + H]^+$): calcd for $C_{56}H_{45}Br_2N_4O_8S_2$, 1123.10401; found, 1123.10388.

Diethyl 2,2'-(disulfanediy)bis(4-(3-chlorobenzoyl)-1,2-diphenyl-1H-pyrrole-5,3-diyl))bis(3-amino-3-oxopropanoate) (4h)



yellow solid, mp: 161–162 °C; 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 500 MHz) δ : 1.09 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 1H, CH_3), 3.86–4.08 (m, 2H, CH_2), 4.45 (s, 1H, CH), 5.68 (s, 1H, ArH), 6.01 (s, 1H, NH_2), 6.84(s, 1H, ArH), 7.14-7.26 (m, 5H, ArH), 7.26–7.33 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.51–7.55 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.59-7.60 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.66 (s, 1H, ArH), 8.80 (s, 1H, NH_2); ^{13}C NMR ($CDCl_3$, 125 MHz) δ : 14.0, 14.0, 53.3, 62.0, 117.8, 126.4, 127.7, 128.2, 128.3, 128.5, 128.7, 128.7, 128.9, 129.0, 129.7, 130.2, 131.1, 132.0, 132.4, 134.6, 136.0, 136.2, 141.6, 141.8, 141.9, 168.7, 170.7, 193.4; HRMS (ESI-TOF, $[M + H]^+$): calcd for $C_{56}H_{45}Cl_2N_4O_8S_2$, 1035.2056; found, 1035.2075.

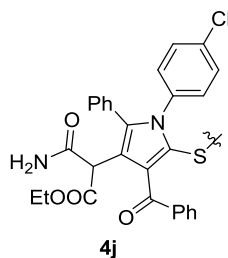
Diethyl 2,2'-(disulfanediy)bis(1,2-diphenyl-4-(thiophene-2-carbonyl)-1H-pyrrole-5,3-diyl))bis(3-amino-3-oxopropanoate) (4i)



yellow solid, mp: 167–169 °C; 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 500 MHz) δ : 1.06 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 3H, CH_3), 3.83–4.11 (m, 2H, CH_2), 4.39 (s, 1H, CH), 5.79 (s, 1H, ArH), 5.95 (s, 1H, NH_2), 6.88 (s, 1H, ArH), 7.09-7.19 (m, 5H, ArH, CH), 7.19-7.26 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.44 (d, $J = 3.05$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.66 (d, $J = 4.96$ Hz, 1H, CH), 8.68 (s, 1H, NH_2); ^{13}C NMR ($CDCl_3$, 125 MHz) δ : 13.9, 14.0, 53.3, 61.8, 117.5, 125.7, 127.5, 127.9, 128.1, 128.3, 128.7, 129.1, 129.2, 129.6, 130.9, 133.8, 135.5, 135.7, 136.4, 141.2, 145.5, 168.7, 170.7, 185.5; HRMS (ESI-TOF, $[M + H]^+$): calcd

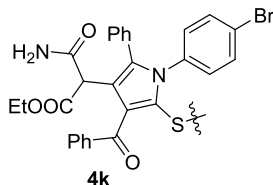
for C₅₂H₄₃N₄O₈S₄, 979.1964; found, 979.1982.

Diethyl 2,2'-(disulfanediylobis(4-benzoyl-1-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-phenyl-1*H*-pyrrole-5,3-diyl))bis(3-amino-3-oxopropanoate) (4j)



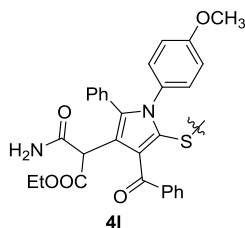
yellow solid, mp: 175–178 °C; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz) δ: 1.07 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 3.84–4.10 (m, 2H, CH₂), 4.44 (s, 1H, CH), 5.46 (d, *J* = 2.93 Hz, 1H, ArH), 6.09 (s, 1H, NH₂), 6.74–6.76 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.16–7.26 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.28–7.35 (m, 3H, ArH), 7.40 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.57 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.71 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H, ArH), 9.03 (s, 1H, NH₂); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 MHz) δ: 14.0, 46.8, 53.4, 61.9, 118.0, 126.3, 128.4, 128.5, 129.0, 129.2, 130.1, 130.5, 130.8, 132.5, 134.4, 134.6, 140.1, 141.3, 168.6, 170.8, 194.4; HRMS (ESI-TOF, [M + H]⁺): calcd for C₅₆H₄₅Cl₂N₄O₈S₂, 1035.2056; found, 1035.2052.

Diethyl 2,2'-(disulfanediylobis(4-benzoyl-1-(4-bromophenyl)-2-phenyl-1*H*-pyrrole-5,3-diyl))bis(3-amino-3-oxopropanoate) (4k)



yellow solid, mp: 170–172 °C; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz) δ: 1.05 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 3.84–4.07 (m, 2H, CH₂), 4.43 (s, 1H, CH), 5.38 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H, ArH), 6.06 (s, 1H, NH₂), 6.89 (d, *J* = 7.30 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.09 (d, *J* = 7.00 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.20 (s, 2H, ArH), 7.28–7.36 (m, 3H, ArH), 7.36–7.44 (m, 3H, ArH), 7.55 (t, *J* = 7.18 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.69 (d, *J* = 6.95 Hz, 2H, ArH), 9.02 (s, 1H, NH₂); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 MHz) δ: 14.0, 53.4, 61.9, 118.1, 122.6, 126.2, 128.3, 128.7, 129.0, 129.3, 130.1, 130.9, 131.2, 131.5, 132.5, 135.2, 140.2, 141.3, 168.6, 170.7, 194.3; HRMS (ESI-TOF, [M + H]⁺): calcd for C₅₆H₄₅Br₂N₄O₈S₂, 1123.10401; found, 1123.10425.

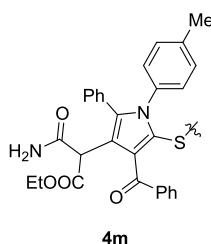
Diethyl 2,2'-(disulfanediylobis(4-benzoyl-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-phenyl-1*H*-pyrrole-5,3-diyl))bis(3-amino-3-oxopropanoate) (4l)



yellow solid, mp: 168–170 °C; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz) δ: 1.07 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H, CH₃),

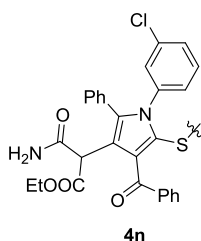
3.70 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.85–4.09 (m, 2H, CH₂), 4.45 (s, 1H, CH), 5.46 (d, $J = 7.65$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 6.10 (s, 1H, NH₂), 6.26 (t, $J = 4.24$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 6.75 (q, $J = 3.78$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.11 (d, $J = 7.15$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.21 (d, $J = 7.35$ Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.29–7.34 (m, 3H, ArH), 7.39 (t, $J = 7.70$ Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.55 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.71 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 2H, ArH), 9.08 (s, 1H, NH₂); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 MHz) δ : 14.0, 53.6, 55.2, 61.8, 113.1, 113.3, 117.5, 127.0, 128.2, 128.2, 128.7, 128.8, 129.1, 130.0, 130.3, 130.6, 130.9, 132.3, 140.3, 141.4, 159.0, 168.8, 171.1, 194.7; HRMS (ESI–TOF, [M + H]⁺): calcd for C₅₈H₅₁N₄O₁₀S₂, 1027.3047; found, 1027.3030.

Diethyl 2,2'-(disulfanediylbis(4-benzoyl-2-phenyl-1-(p-tolyl)-1*H*-pyrrole-5,3-diyl))bis(3-amino-3-oxopropanoate) (4m)



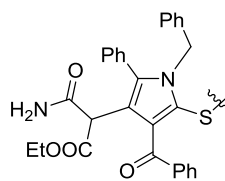
yellow solid, mp: 161–163 °C; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz) δ : 1.06 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 3H, CH₃), 2.19 (s, 3H, CH₃), 3.84–4.08 (m, 2H, CH₂), 4.45 (s, 1H, CH), 5.44 (d, $J = 6.7$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 6.04 (s, 1H, NH₂), 6.56 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.02–7.04 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.20–7.21 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.29–7.30 (m, 3H, ArH), 7.38 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.54 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.70 (d, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 2H, ArH), 9.05 (s, 1H, NH₂); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 MHz) δ : 13.9, 13.9, 21.0, 53.5, 61.7, 117.6, 126.7, 128.1, 128.2, 128.6, 128.8, 129.0, 129.1, 129.3, 130.0, 130.9, 132.3, 133.6, 133.8, 138.1, 138.2, 140.4, 141.3, 168.7, 170.9, 194.6; HRMS (ESI–TOF, [M + H]⁺): calcd for C₅₈H₅₁Br₂N₄O₈S₂, 995.3148; found, 995.3172.

Diethyl 2,2'-(disulfanediylbis(4-benzoyl-1-(3-chlorophenyl)-2-phenyl-1*H*-pyrrole-5,3-diyl))bis(3-amino-3-oxopropanoate) (4n)



yellow solid, mp: 165–167 °C; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz) δ : 1.06 (m, 3H, CH₃), 3.86–4.06 (m, 2H, CH₂), 4.44 (s, 1H, CH), 6.06 (s, 1H, NH₂), 6.70 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.12–7.13 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.20 (s, 2H, ArH), 7.33–7.41 (m, 6H, ArH), 7.54–7.61 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.69–7.70 (m, 2H, ArH), 9.00–9.06 (m, 1H, NH₂); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 MHz) δ : 13.9, 53.5, 61.9, 117.9, 126.3, 127.6, 129.1, 129.9, 130.9, 132.5, 133.8, 134.0, 137.2, 140.1, 141.3, 168.6, 170.7, 194.4, 194.6; HRMS (ESI–TOF, [M + H]⁺): calcd for C₅₆H₄₅Cl₂N₄O₈S₂, 1035.2056; found, 1035.2083.

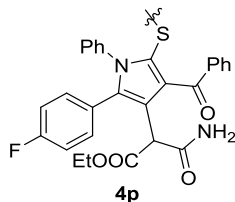
Diethyl 2,2'-(disulfanediylbis(4-benzoyl-1-benzyl-2-phenyl-1*H*-pyrrole-5,3-diyl))bis(3-amino-3-oxopropanoate) (4o)



4o

yellow solid, mp: 168–170 °C; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz) δ: 1.11 (s, 3H, CH₃), 4.00–4.10 (m, 2H, CH₂), 4.41 (s, 1H, CH), 4.75–4.89 (m, 2H, CH₂), 5.24 (s, 1H, NH₂), 6.60 (s, 2H, ArH), 7.04–7.10 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.26–7.40 (m, 5H, ArH), 7.50 (m, 4H, ArH), 8.47 (s, 1H, NH₂); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 MHz) δ: 13.9, 48.5, 50.6, 52.3, 61.7, 125.5, 127.1, 128.2, 128.5, 129.4, 129.8, 132.3, 137.5, 140.0, 140.6, 169.9, 195.4; HRMS (ESI–TOF, [M+H]⁺): calcd for C₅₈H₅₁N₄O₈S₂, 995.3148; found, 995.3175.

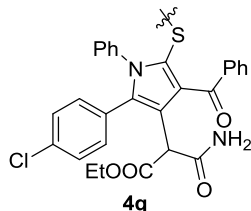
Diethyl 2,2'-(disulfanediylbis(4-benzoyl-2-(4-fluorophenyl)-1-phenyl-1*H*-pyrrole-5,3-diyl))bis(3-amino-3-oxopropanoate) (4p)



4p

yellow solid, mp: 173–175 °C; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz) δ: 1.07 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 3.84–4.10 (m, 2H, CH₂), 4.41 (s, 1H, CH), 5.52 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H, ArH), 6.06 (s, 1H, NH₂), 6.77–6.80 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.00 (t, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.12–7.18 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.23–7.24 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.38 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.57 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.70 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H, ArH), 9.07 (s, 1H, NH₂); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 MHz) δ: 14.0, 53.5, 61.9, 115.4 (d, ²*J*_{C-F} = 21.6 Hz), 117.9, 125.0, 126.7, 128.3, 128.5, 128.8, 129.3, 129.7, 130.1, 132.5, 132.8, 132.9, 136.0, 141.2, 162.8 (d, ¹*J*_{C-F} = 249.8 Hz), 169.8 (d, ¹*J*_{C-F} = 290.5 Hz), 194.5; HRMS (ESI–TOF, [M + H]⁺): calcd for C₅₆H₄₅F₂N₄O₈S₂, 1003.2647; found, 1003.2657.

Diethyl 2,2'-(disulfanediylbis(4-benzoyl-2-(4-chlorophenyl)-1-phenyl-1*H*-pyrrole-5,3-diyl))bis(3-amino-3-oxopropanoate) (4q)

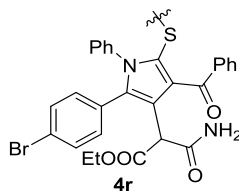


4q

yellow solid, mp: 198–200 °C; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz) δ: 1.06 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 3.85–4.10 (m, 2H, CH₂), 4.40 (s, 1H, CH), 5.51 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H, ArH), 6.04 (s, 1H, NH₂), 6.78–6.81 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.13–7.17 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.24–7.25 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.26–7.28 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.38 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.68–7.69 (m, 3H, ArH), 9.08 (s, 1H, NH₂); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 MHz) δ: 13.9, 14.0, 14.1, 14.1, 14.2, 21.0, 53.5, 61.8, 61.9, 118.1, 127.0, 127.4,

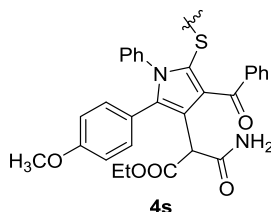
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Diethyl 2,2'-(disulfaneyldibis(4-benzoyl-2-(4-bromophenyl)-1-phenyl-1H-pyrrole-5,3-diyl))bis(3-amino-3-oxopropanoate) (4r)



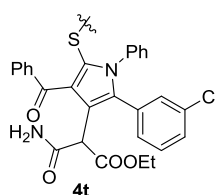
yellow solid, mp: 195–197 °C; 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 500 MHz) δ : 1.06 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 3H, CH_3), 3.84–4.09 (m, 2H, CH_2), 4.39 (s, 1H, CH), 5.51 (d, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 6.04 (s, 1H, NH_2), 6.78–6.81 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.07 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.14–7.16 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.24–7.25 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.36–7.44 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.57 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.68 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H, ArH), 9.08 (s, 1H, NH_2); ^{13}C NMR ($CDCl_3$, 125 MHz) δ : 14.0, 53.5, 58.4, 61.9, 62.0, 118.0, 115.8, 123.4, 127.1, 127.9, 128.3, 128.5, 128.6, 128.9, 129.3, 129.6, 129.9, 130.0, 131.5, 132.4, 132.6, 135.9, 140.0, 140.2, 168.5, 170.8, 194.4; HRMS (ESI-TOF, $[M + H]^+$): calcd for $C_{56}H_{45}Br_2N_4O_8S_2$, 1123.10401; found, 1123.10400.

Diethyl 2,2'-(disulfaneyldibis(4-benzoyl-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1-phenyl-1H-pyrrole-5,3-diyl))bis(3-amino-3-oxopropanoate) (4s)



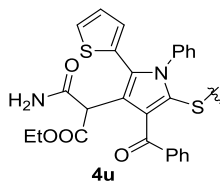
yellow solid, mp: 163–165 °C; 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 500 MHz) δ : 1.06 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 3H, CH_3), 3.77 (s, 1H, OCH_3), 3.83–4.09 (m, 2H, CH_2), 4.44 (s, 1H, CH), 5.55 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 6.04 (s, 1H, NH_2), 6.80–6.85 (m, 3H, ArH), 7.11–7.24 (m, 5H, ArH), 7.37 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.54 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.69 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H, ArH), 9.09 (s, 1H, NH_2); ^{13}C NMR ($CDCl_3$, 125 MHz) δ : 13.9, 53.7, 55.1, 61.8, 113.7, 117.6, 121.2, 126.4, 128.2, 128.9, 129.4, 129.7, 130.1, 132.3, 136.3, 140.4, 141.3, 159.8, 168.8, 171.1, 194.7; HRMS (ESI-TOF, $[M + H]^+$): calcd for $C_{58}H_{51}O_{10}N_4S_2$, 1027.30411; found, 1027.30408.

Diethyl 2,2'-(disulfaneyldibis(4-benzoyl-2-(3-chlorophenyl)-1-phenyl-1H-pyrrole-5,3-diyl))bis(3-amino-3-oxopropanoate) (4t)



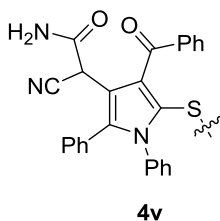
yellow solid, mp: 154–156 °C; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz) δ: 1.07 (t, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 3.86–4.09 (m, 2H, CH₂), 4.43 (s, 1H, CH), 5.53 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 6.05 (s, 1H, NH₂), 6.79–6.82 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.14–7.17 (m, 5H, ArH), 7.25–7.26 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.39–7.42 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.57–7.60 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.70–7.71 (m, 2H, ArH), 9.01 (s, 1H, NH₂); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 MHz) δ: 13.9, 14.0, 53.4, 62.0, 118.1, 118.2, 127.0, 128.4, 128.4, 128.5, 128.7, 128.8, 128.9, 129.0, 129.0, 129.2, 129.6, 130.0, 130.1, 130.7, 130.8, 130.9, 132.6, 134.0, 135.8, 139.6, 140.1, 168.6, 170.7, 194.4; HRMS (ESI–TOF, [M+H]⁺): calcd for C₅₆H₄₅Cl₂N₄O₈S₂, 1035.20504; found, 1035.20508.

Diethyl 2,2'-(disulfanediylobis(4-benzoyl-1-phenyl-2-(thiophen-2-yl)-1*H*-pyrrole-5,3-diyl))bis(3-amino-3-oxopropanoate) (4u)



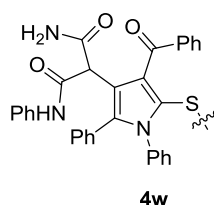
yellow solid, mp: 164–166 °C; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz) δ: 1.08 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 3.85–4.12 (m, 2H, CH₂), 4.48 (s, 1H, CH), 5.65 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1H, ArH), 6.02 (s, 1H, NH₂), 6.86–6.87 (m, 1H, CH), 7.02–7.04 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.19–7.22 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.26–7.30 (m, 3H, ArH), 7.38 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.56 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.65 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H, CH), 9.02 (s, 1H, NH₂); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 MHz) δ: 13.9, 53.4, 61.9, 119.0, 127.0, 127.4, 128.0, 128.2, 128.4, 128.9, 129.3, 129.4, 129.9, 131.2, 132.4, 134.6, 135.9, 140.2, 168.5, 170.7, 194.5; HRMS (ESI–TOF, [M+H]⁺): calcd for C₅₂H₄₃N₄O₈S₂, 979.1964; found, 979.1985.

2,2'-(disulfanediylobis(4-benzoyl-1,2-diphenyl-1*H*-pyrrole-5,3-diyl))bis(2-cyanoacetamide) (4v)



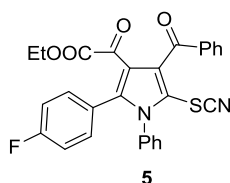
yellow solid, mp: 272–274 °C. ¹H NMR (DMSO, 500 MHz) δ: 4.75 (br s, 1H, NH₂), 5.09 (br s, 1H, NH₂), 5.36 (br s, 1H, CH), 6.10–8.11 (m, 15H, ArH); ¹³C NMR (DMSO, 125 MHz) δ: 192.2, 165.9, 140.2, 140.0, 136.3, 132.7, 130.9, 130.0, 129.4, 129.3, 128.6, 128.5, 126.1, 117.5, 114.2, 36.3; HRMS (ESI–TOF): calcd for C₅₂H₃₆N₆O₄S₂Na [M+Na]⁺ 895.2132, found 895.2132; calcd for C₅₂H₄₀N₇O₄S₂ [M+NH₄]⁺ 890.2578, found 890.2593.

2,2'-(disulfanediylobis(4-benzoyl-1,2-diphenyl-1*H*-pyrrole-5,3-diyl))bis(*N*-1-phenylmalonamide) (4w)



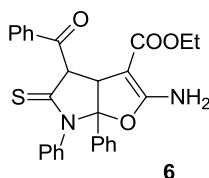
yellow solid, mp: 260-262 °C. ¹H NMR (DMSO, 500 MHz) δ: 4.36 (br s, 1H, CH), 5.46-8.00 (m, 22H, ArH, NH₂), 9.35-11.41 (m, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (DMSO, 125 MHz) δ: 40.8, 120.1, 123.7, 128.4, 128.9, 130.2, 131.2, 132.6, 136.8, 139.2, 140.3, 140.7, 167.0, 171.3, 193.5; HRMS (ESI-TOF, [M+H]⁺): calcd for C₆₄H₄₉N₆O₆S₂, 1061.31495; found 1061.31506.

Ethyl 2-(4-benzoyl-2-(4-fluorophenyl)-1-phenyl-5-thiocyanato-1H-pyrrol-3-yl)-2-oxacetate (5)



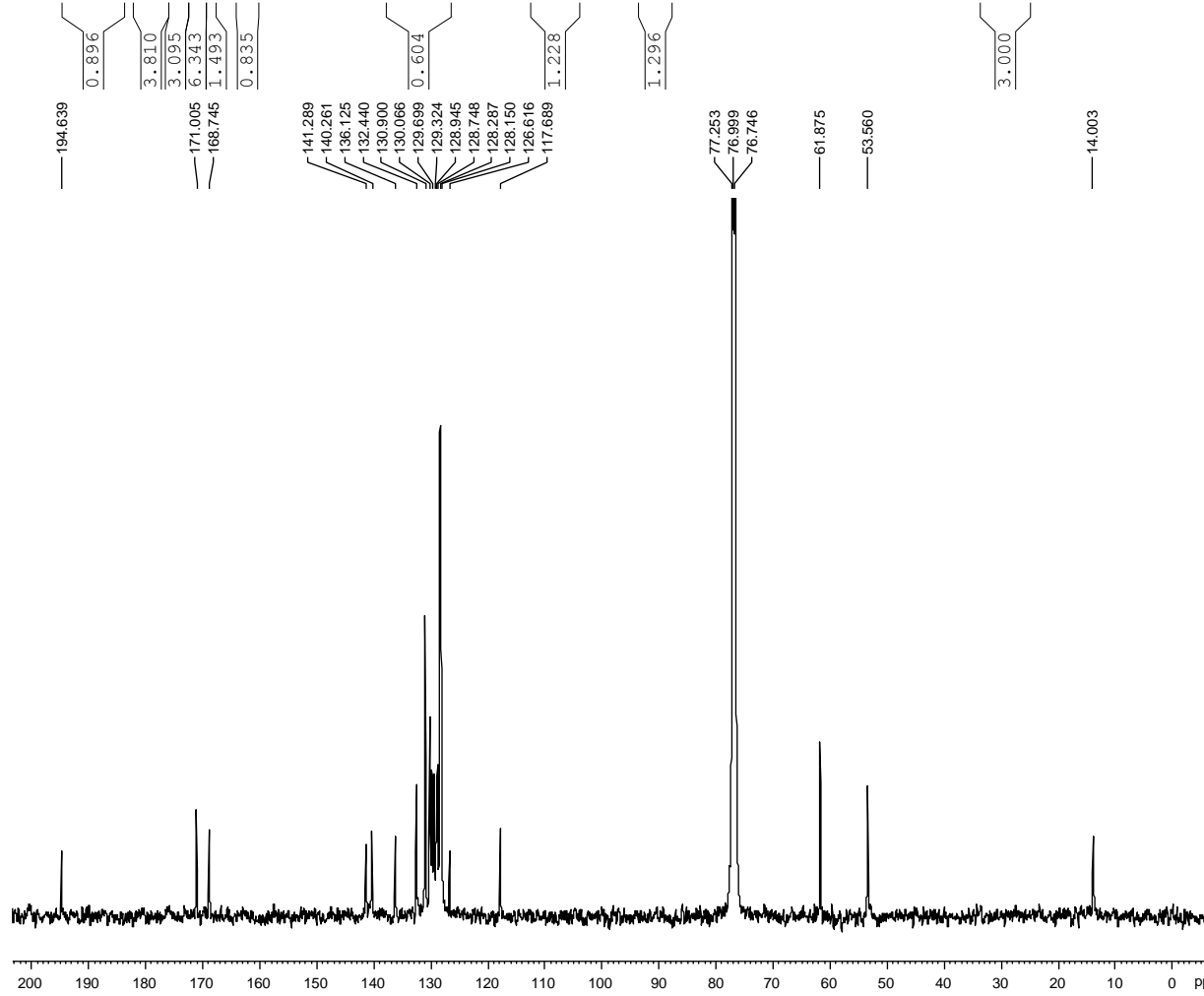
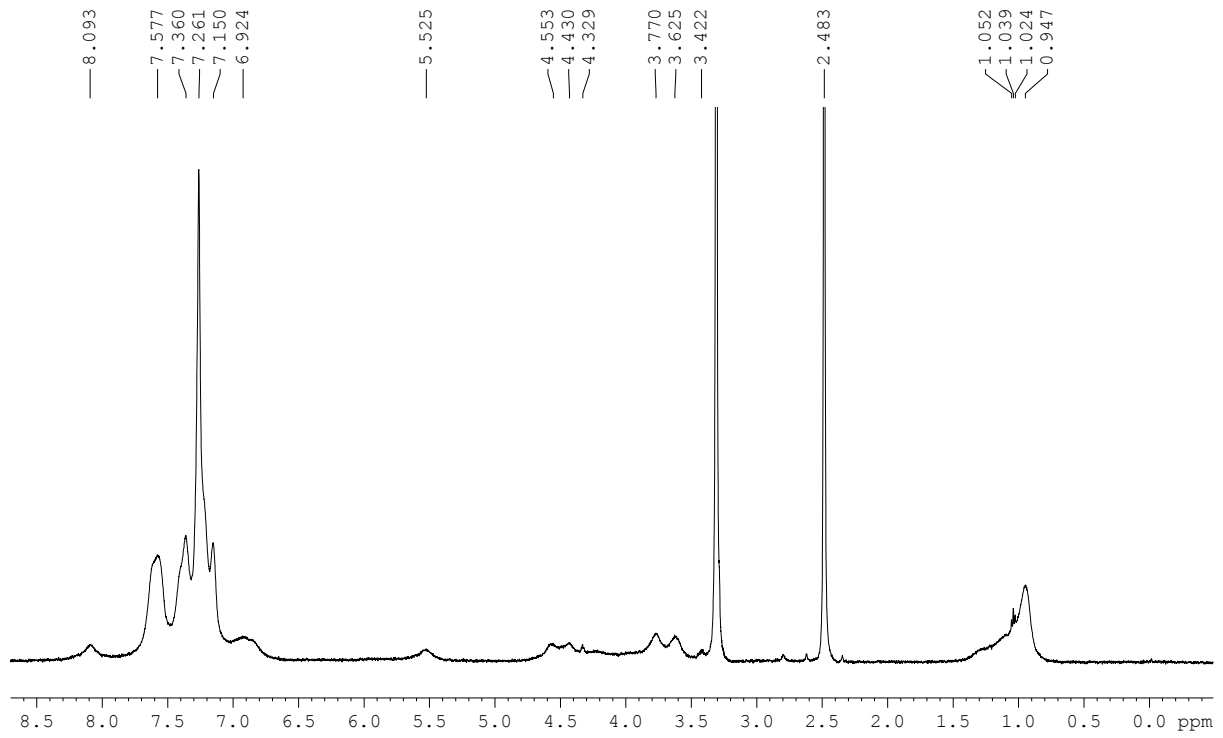
white solid; m.p.: 121-123 °C; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz) δ: 1.08 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 3.80-3.85 (m, 2H, CH₂), 6.96 (t, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H, NH₂), 7.23-7.26 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.44-7.45 (m, 3H, ArH), 7.54 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.63-7.66 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.99 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H, ArH); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 MHz) δ: 13.5, 29.7, 62.5, 108.4, 112.4, 115.3 (d, ²*J*_{C-F} = 21.2 Hz), 120.8, 124.3, 128.9 (d, ¹*J*_{C-F} = 14.3 Hz), 129.6, 130.1, 133.0, 133.9, 134.3, 134.9, 137.5, 144.4, 162.3, 164.4, 180.4, 190.9; HRMS (ESI-TOF, [M + H]⁺): calcd for C₂₈H₂₀FN₂O₄S, 499.1122; found, 499.1119.

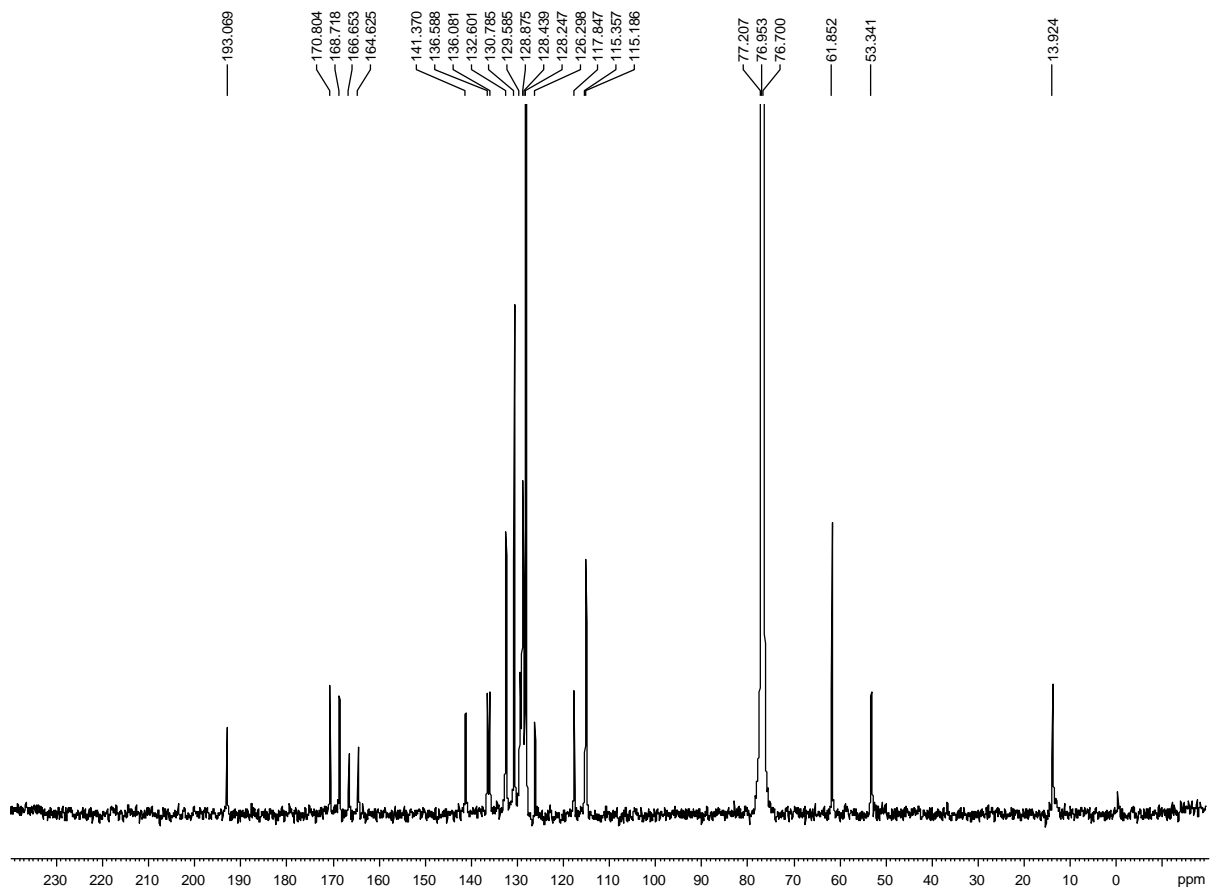
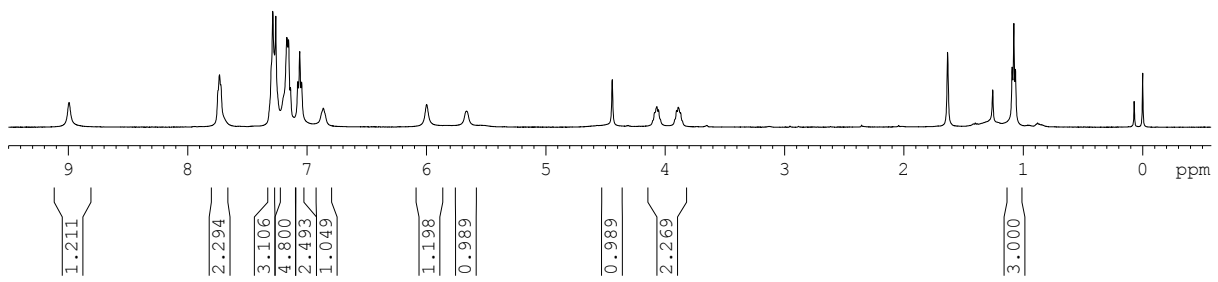
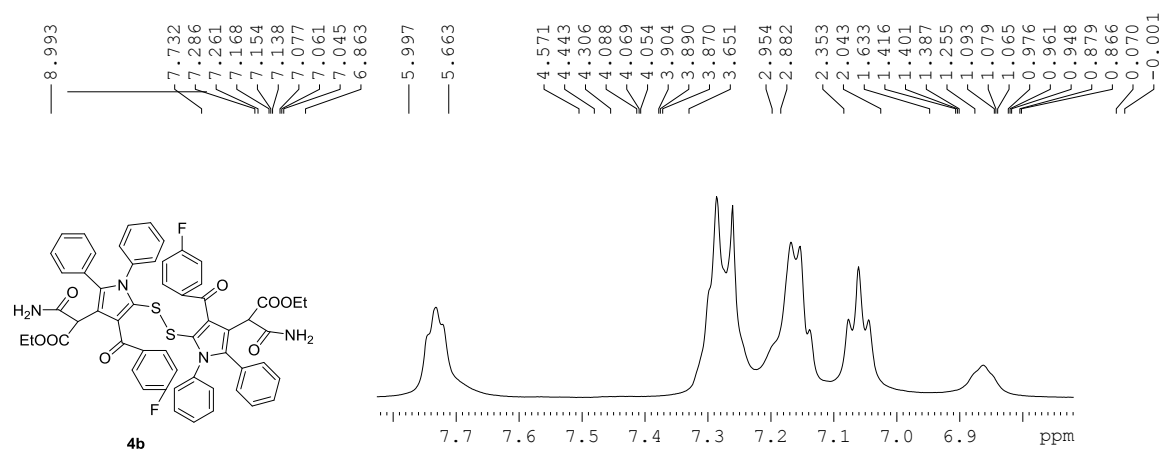
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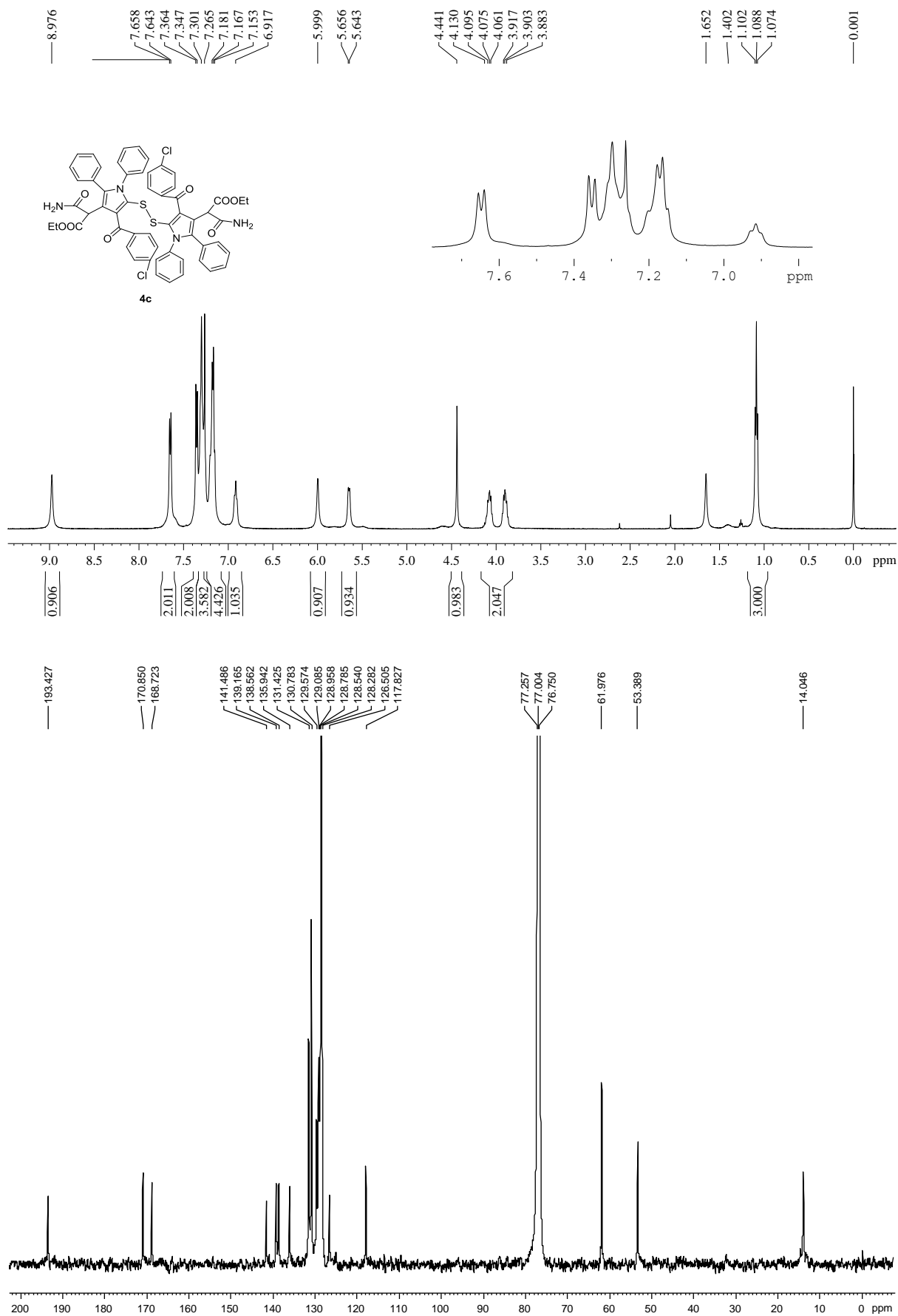


white solid; mp 192–194 °C; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz): δ: 0.71 (brs, 3H), 3.90 (brs, 2H), 4.43 (d, *J* = 3.35 Hz, 1H), 5.40 (d, *J* = 2.90 Hz, 1H), 5.86 (s, 2H), 7.11–7.13 (m, 2H), 7.23–7.25 (m, 1H), 7.27–7.32 (m, 3H), 7.35 (t, *J* = 7.50 Hz, 2H), 7.54 (t, *J* = 7.68 Hz, 2H), 7.63 (t, *J* = 7.32 Hz, 1H), 7.75 (d, *J* = 7.45 Hz, 2H), 8.22 (d, *J* = 7.60 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 MHz) δ: 13.8, 54.0, 59.1, 68.4, 77.9, 111.0, 126.4, 128.4, 128.6, 128.7, 128.9, 129.2, 130.1, 133.6, 136.8, 137.1, 137.5, 164.1, 166.5, 197.4, 202.9; HRMS (ESI-TOF, [M + H]⁺): calcd for C₂₈H₂₅N₂O₄S, 485.1530; found, 485.1545.

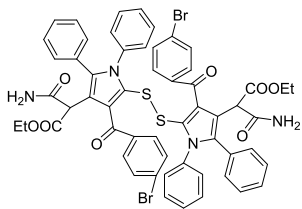
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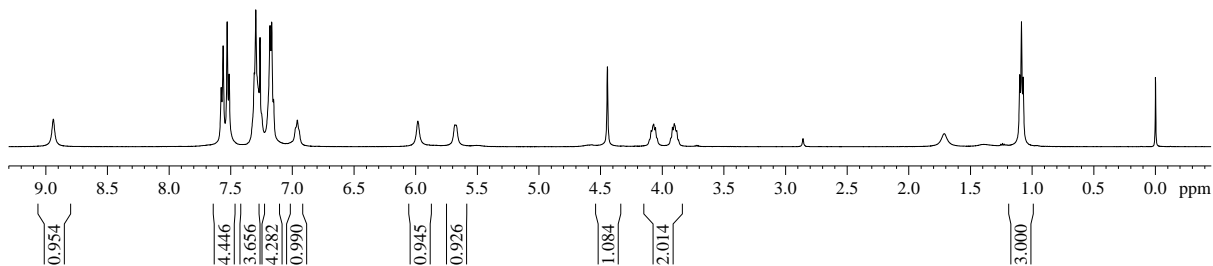
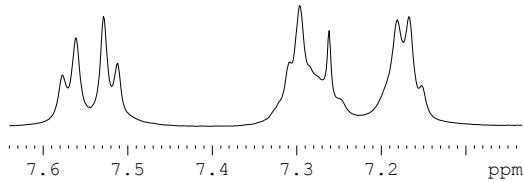




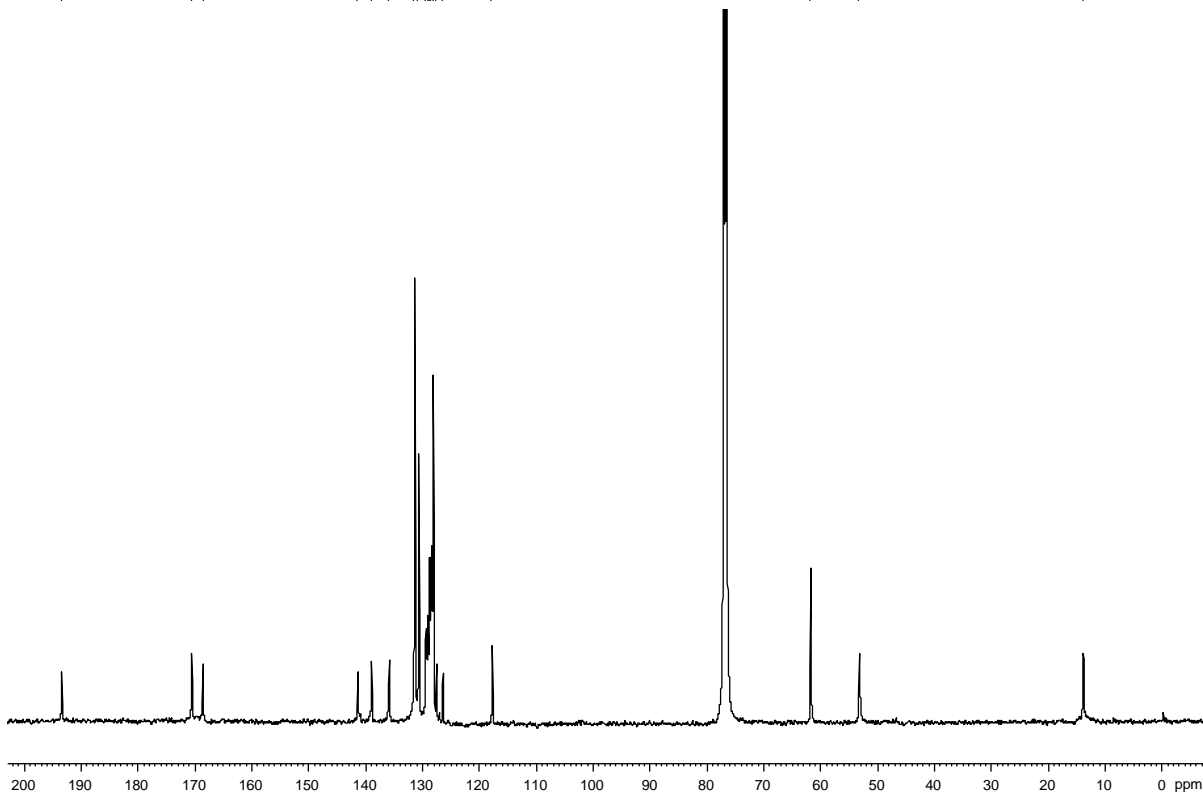
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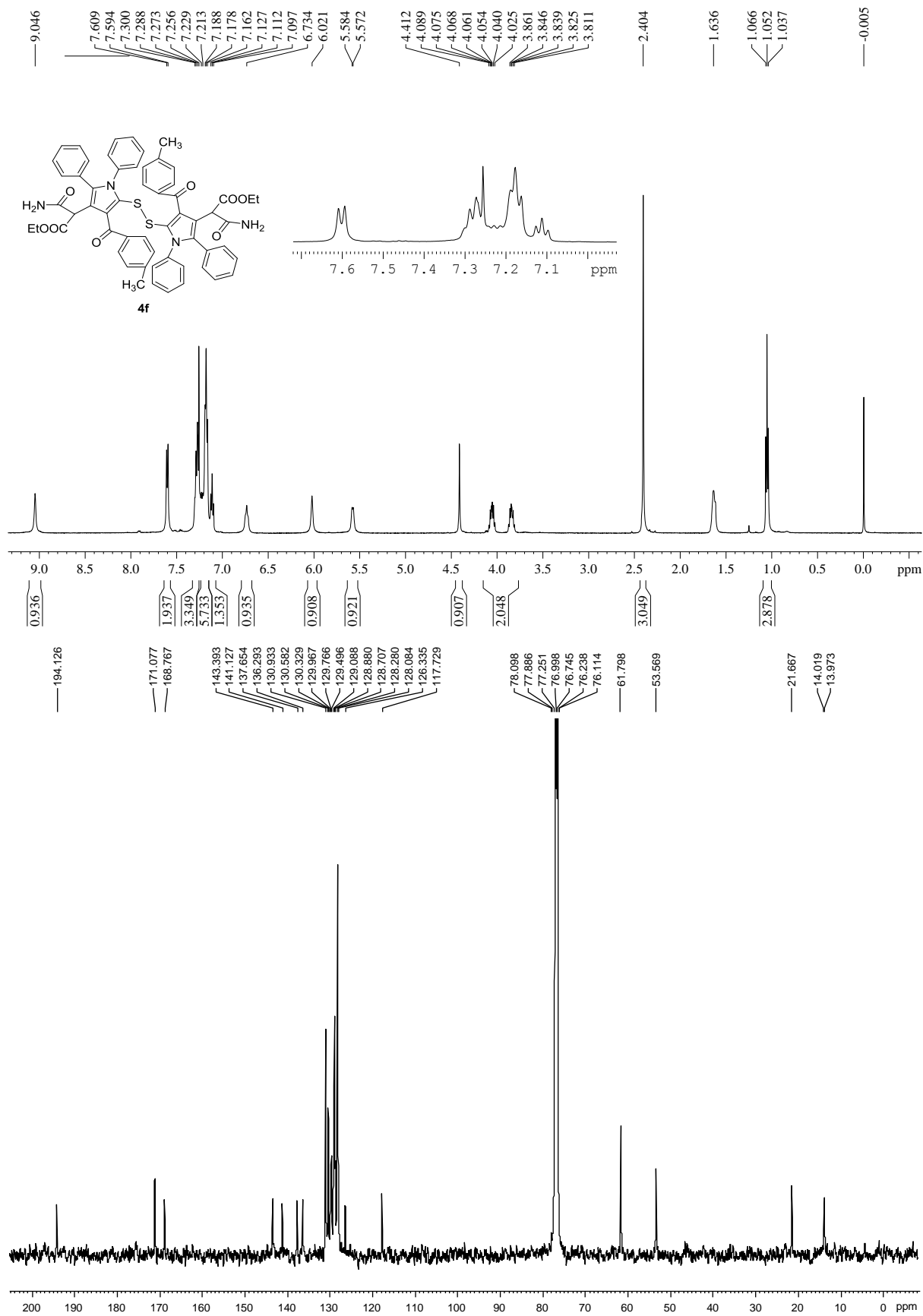


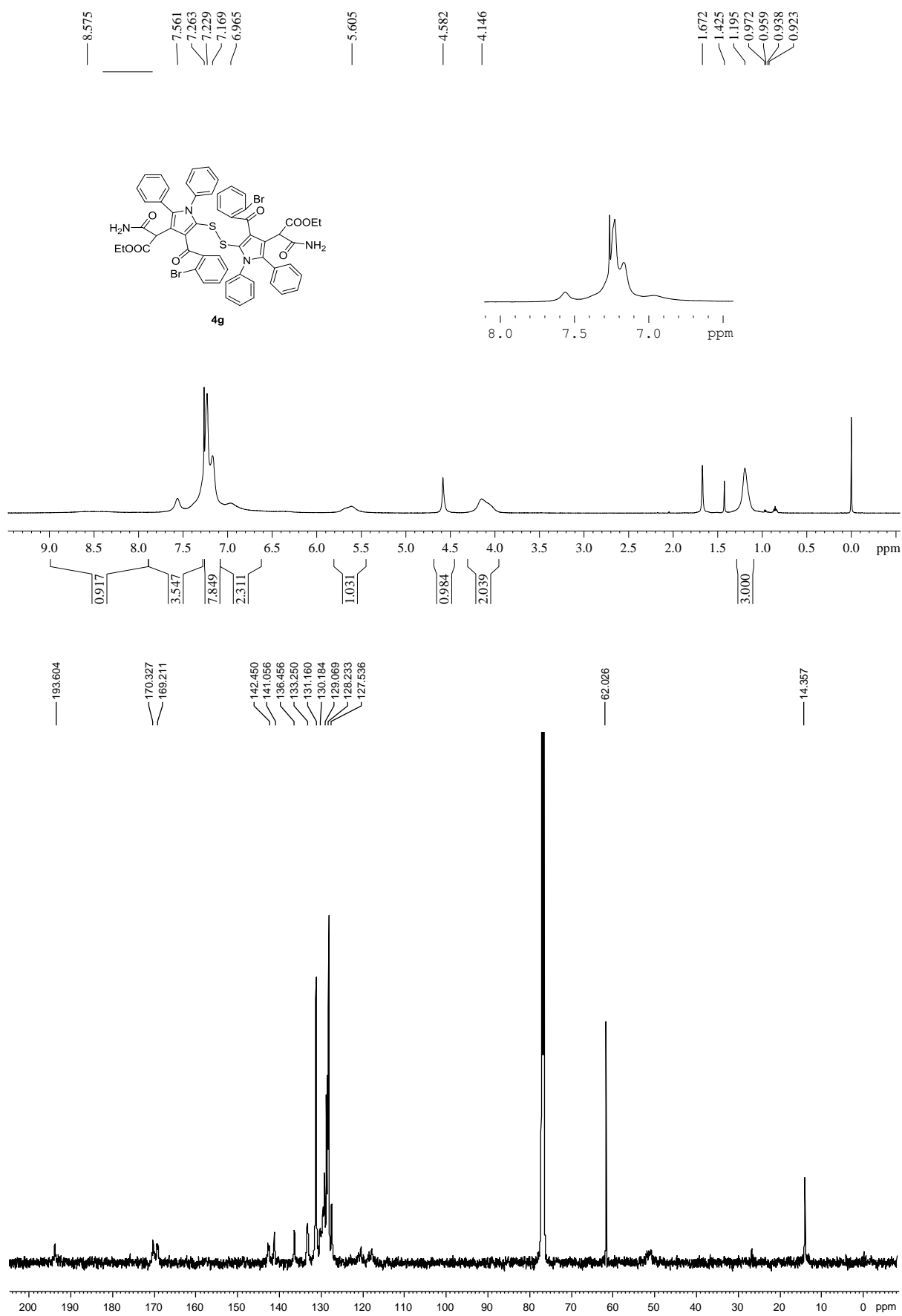
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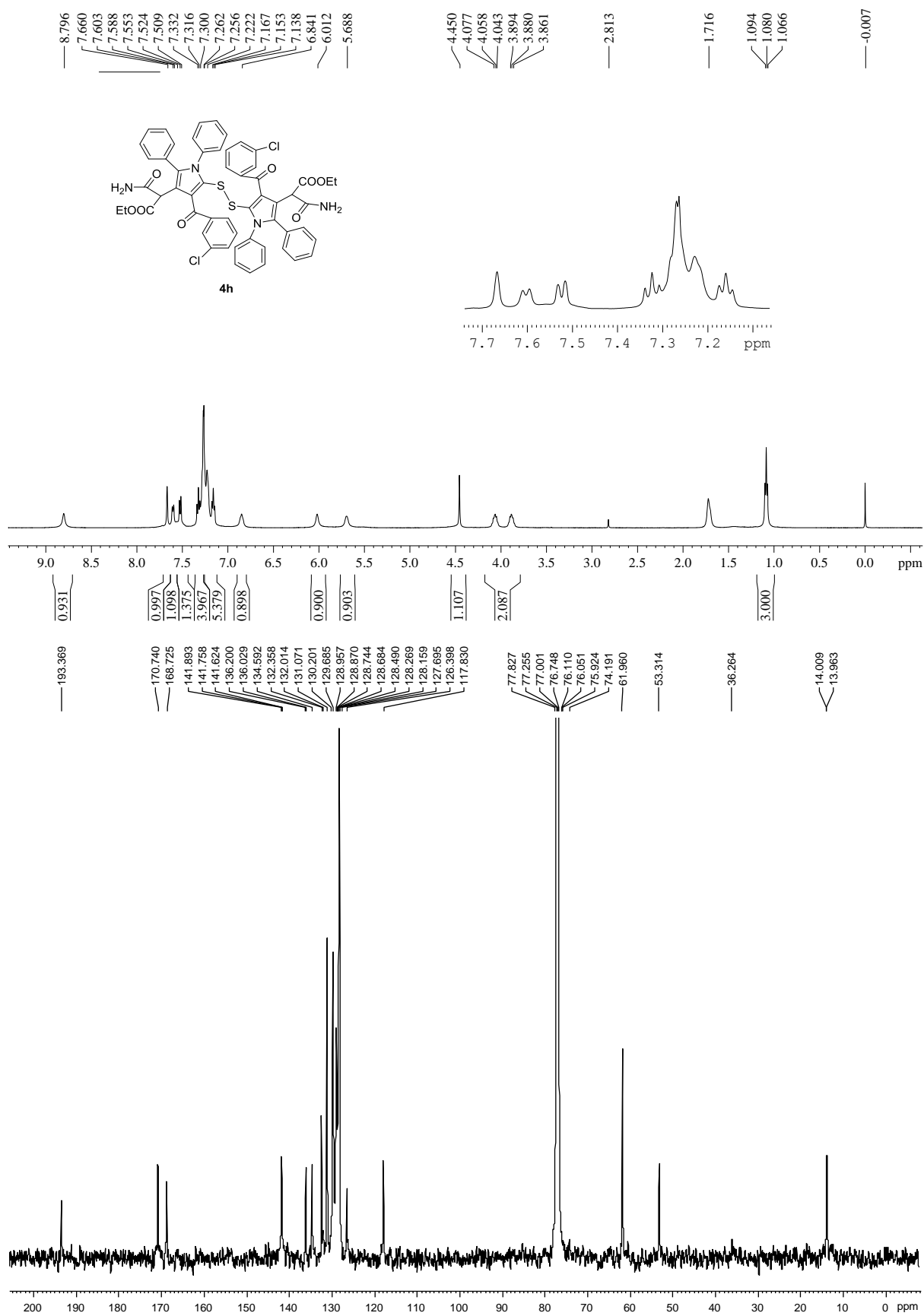


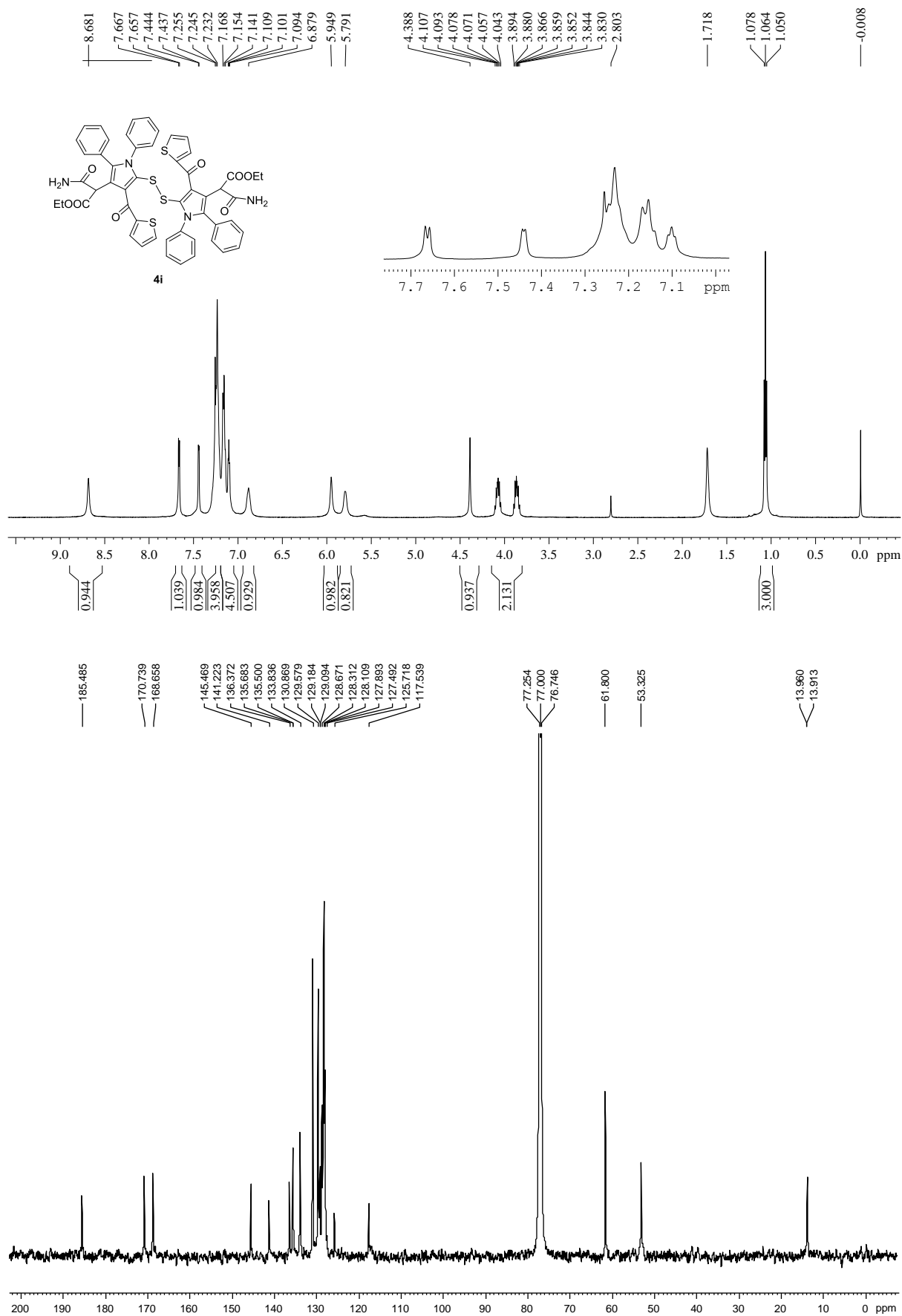
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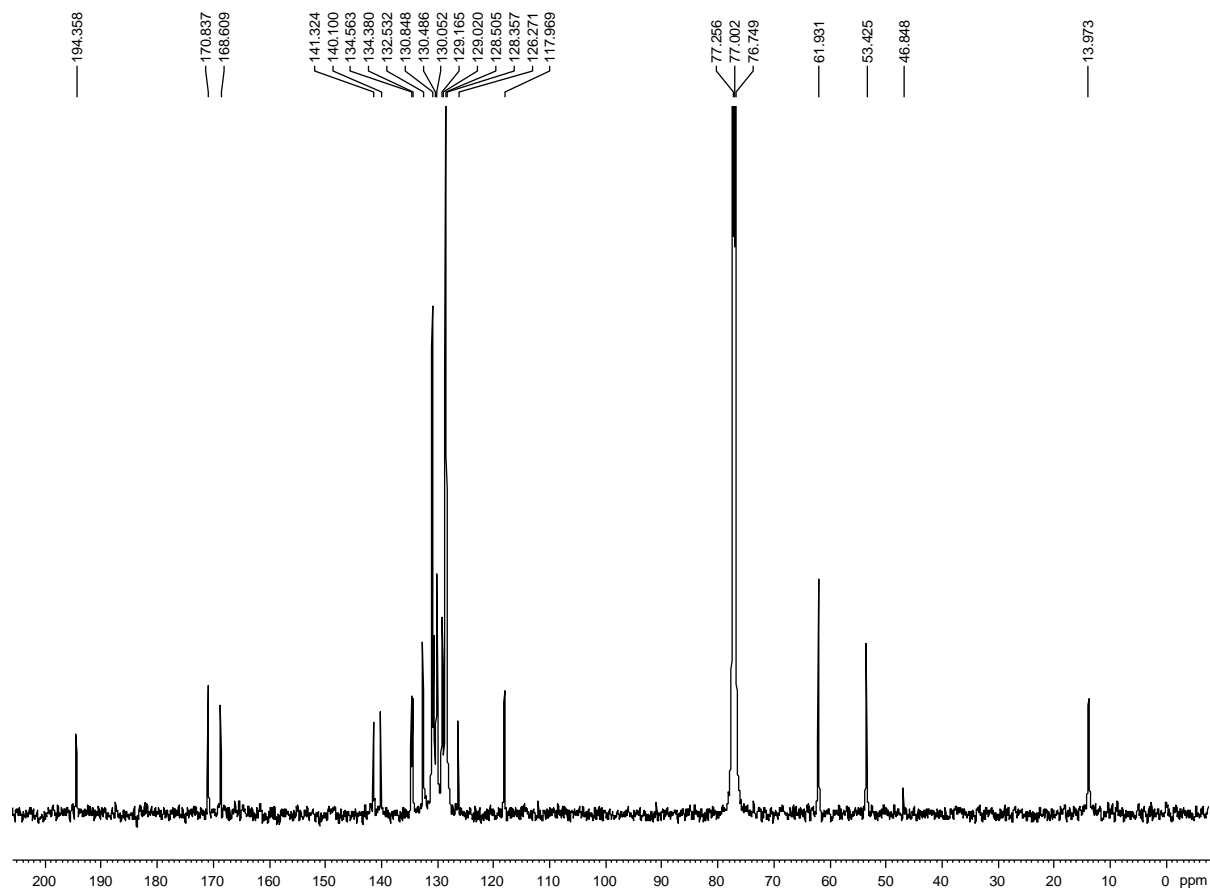
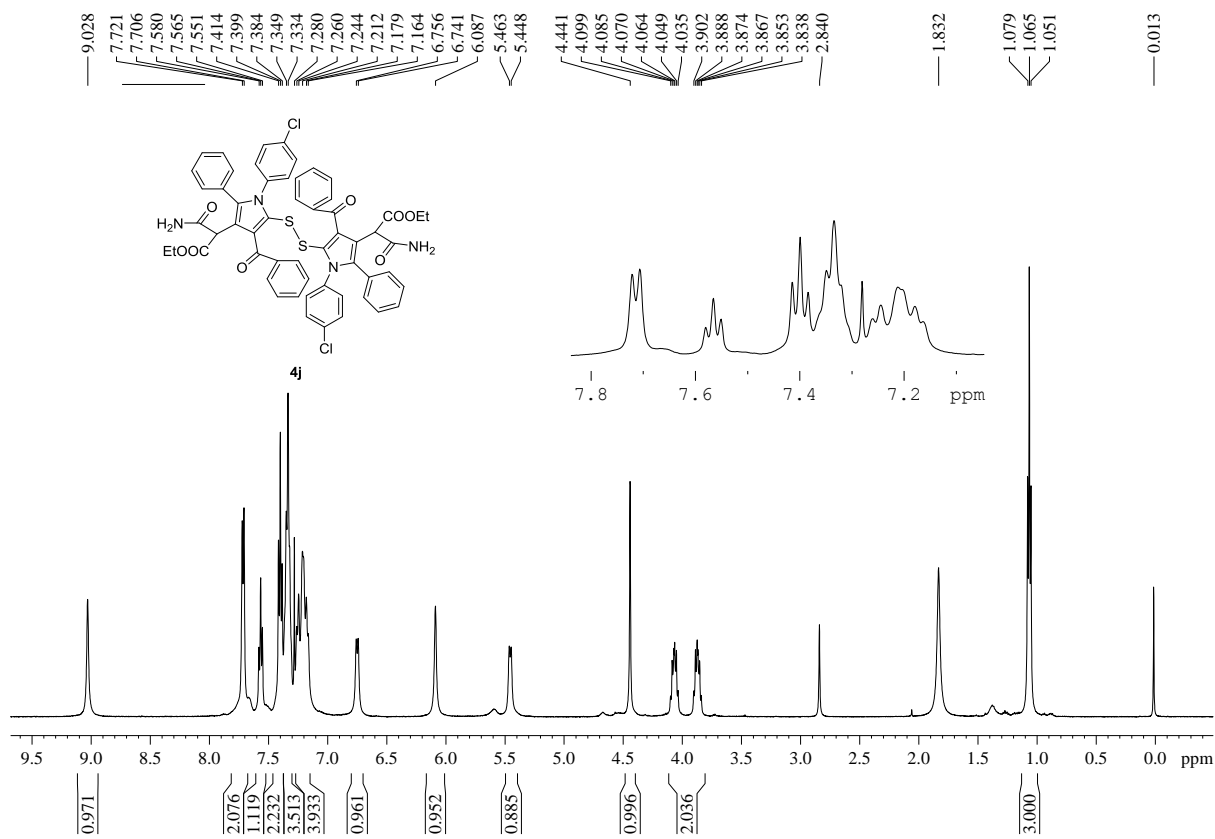


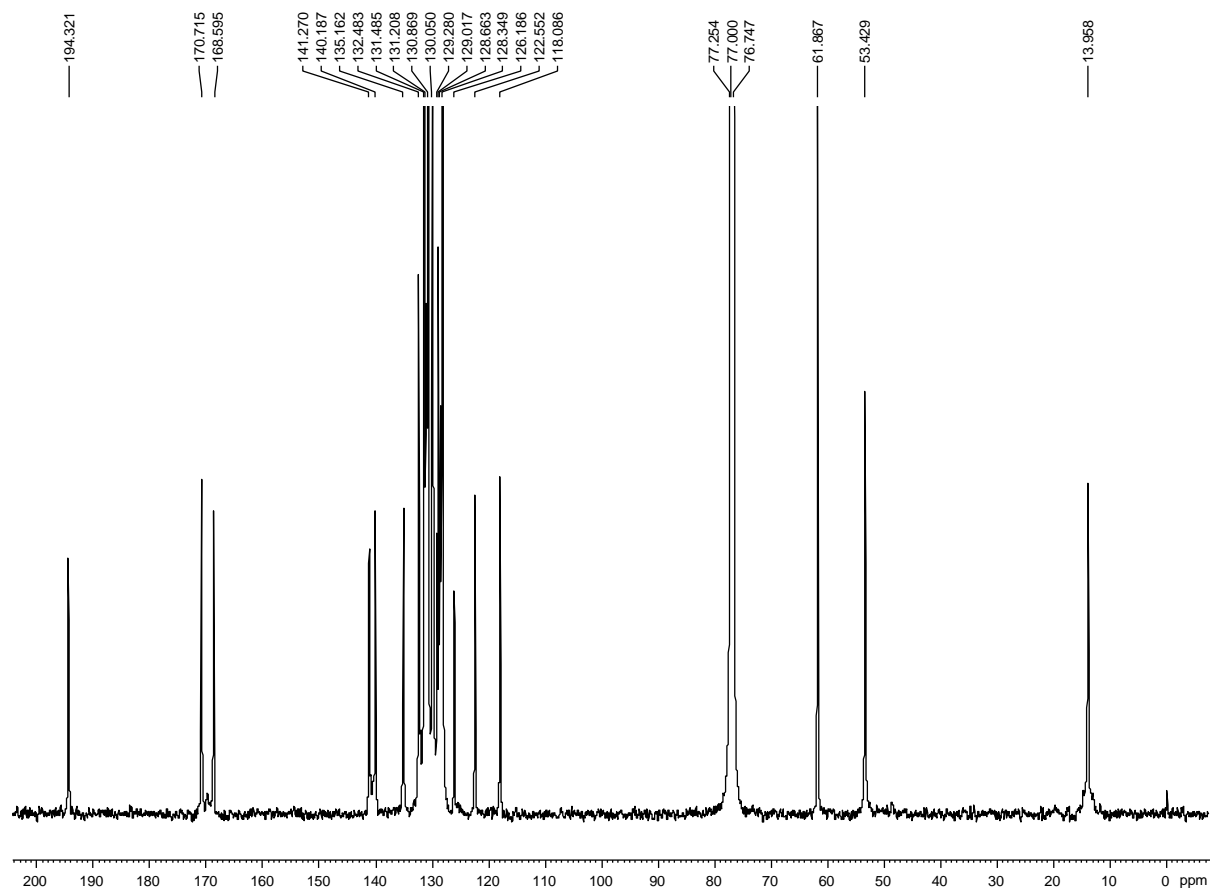
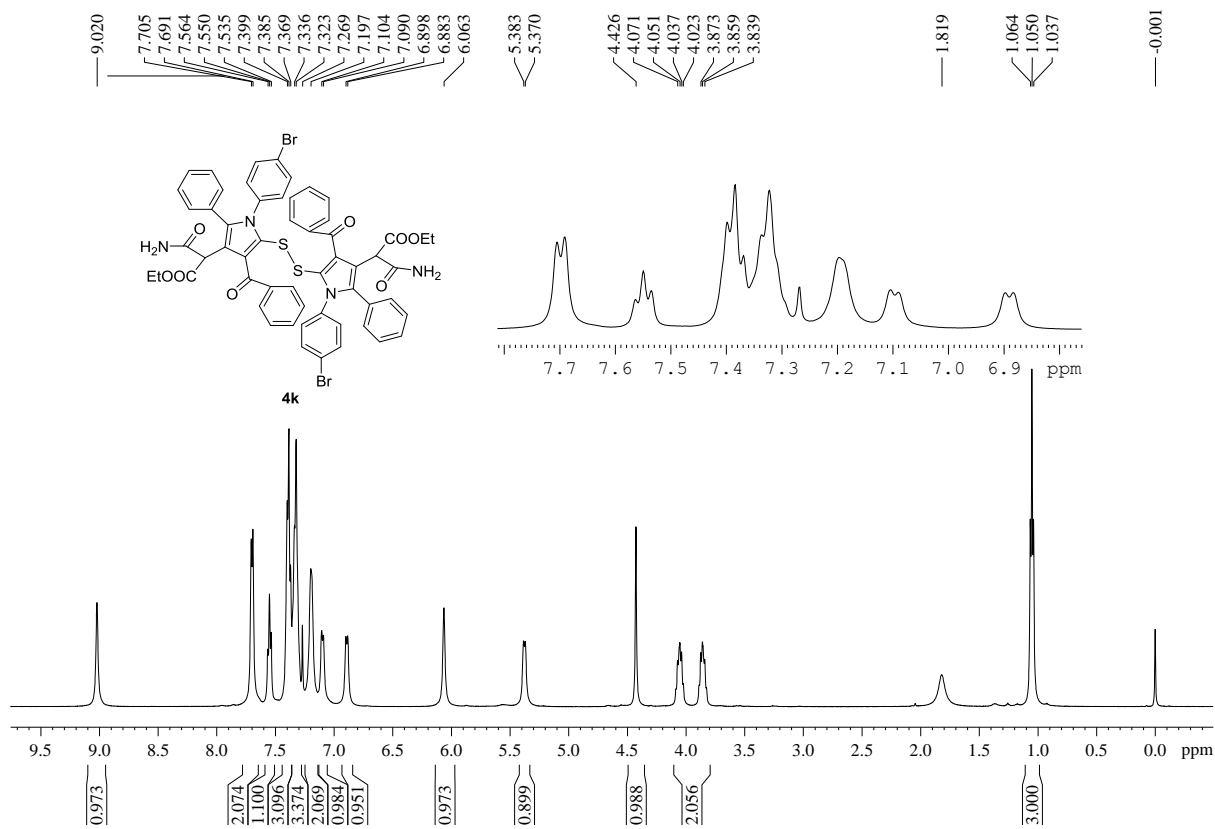


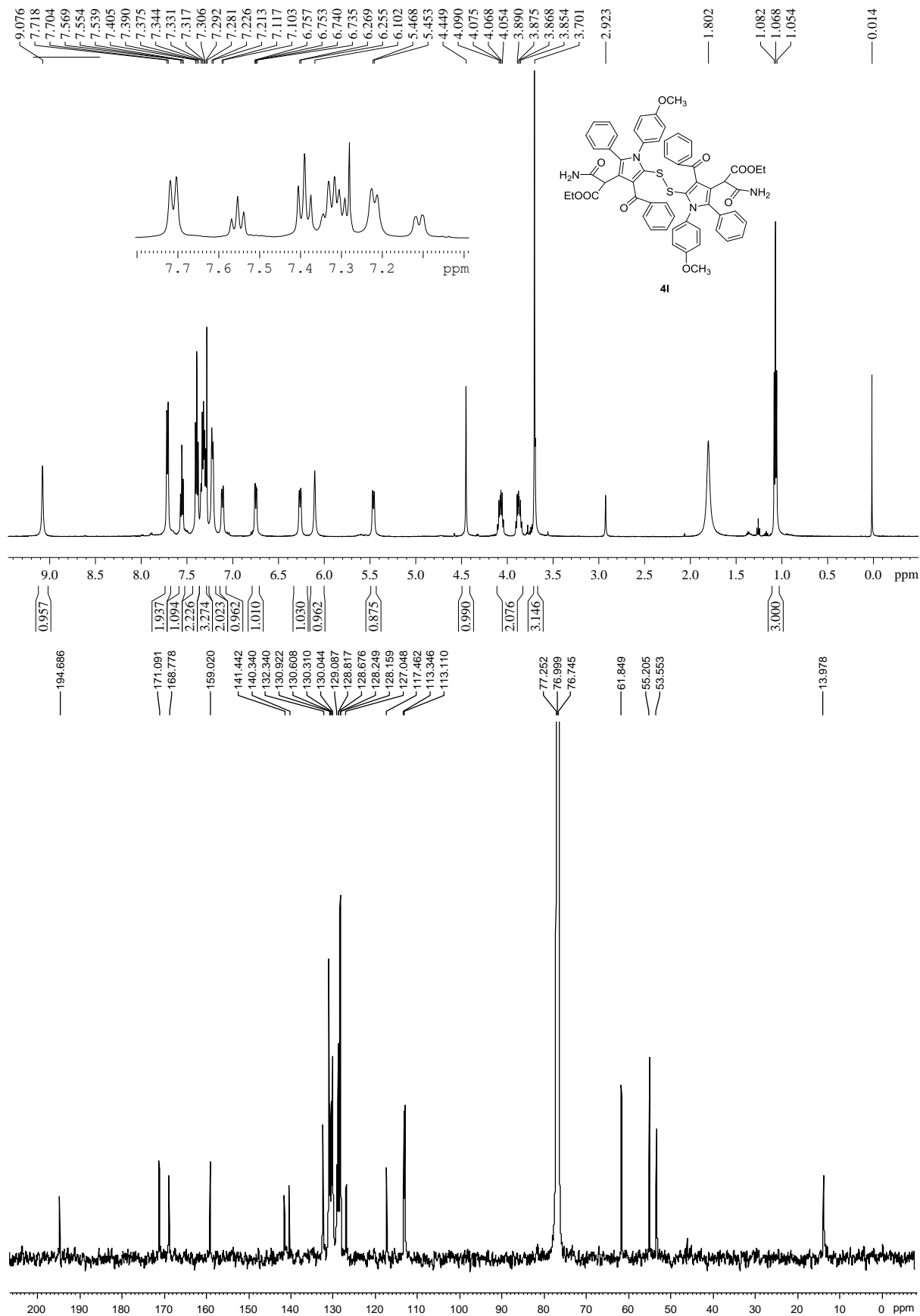


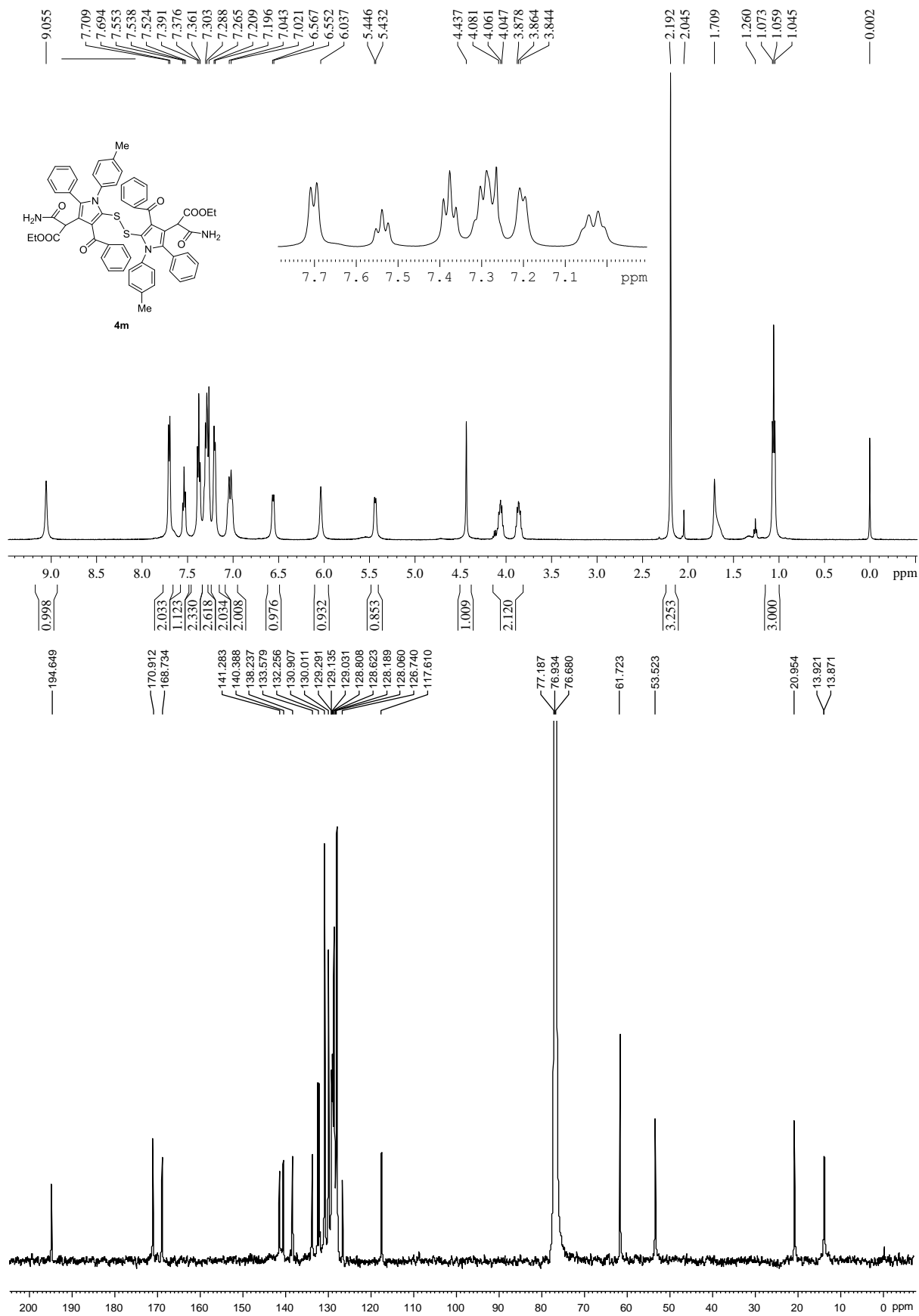




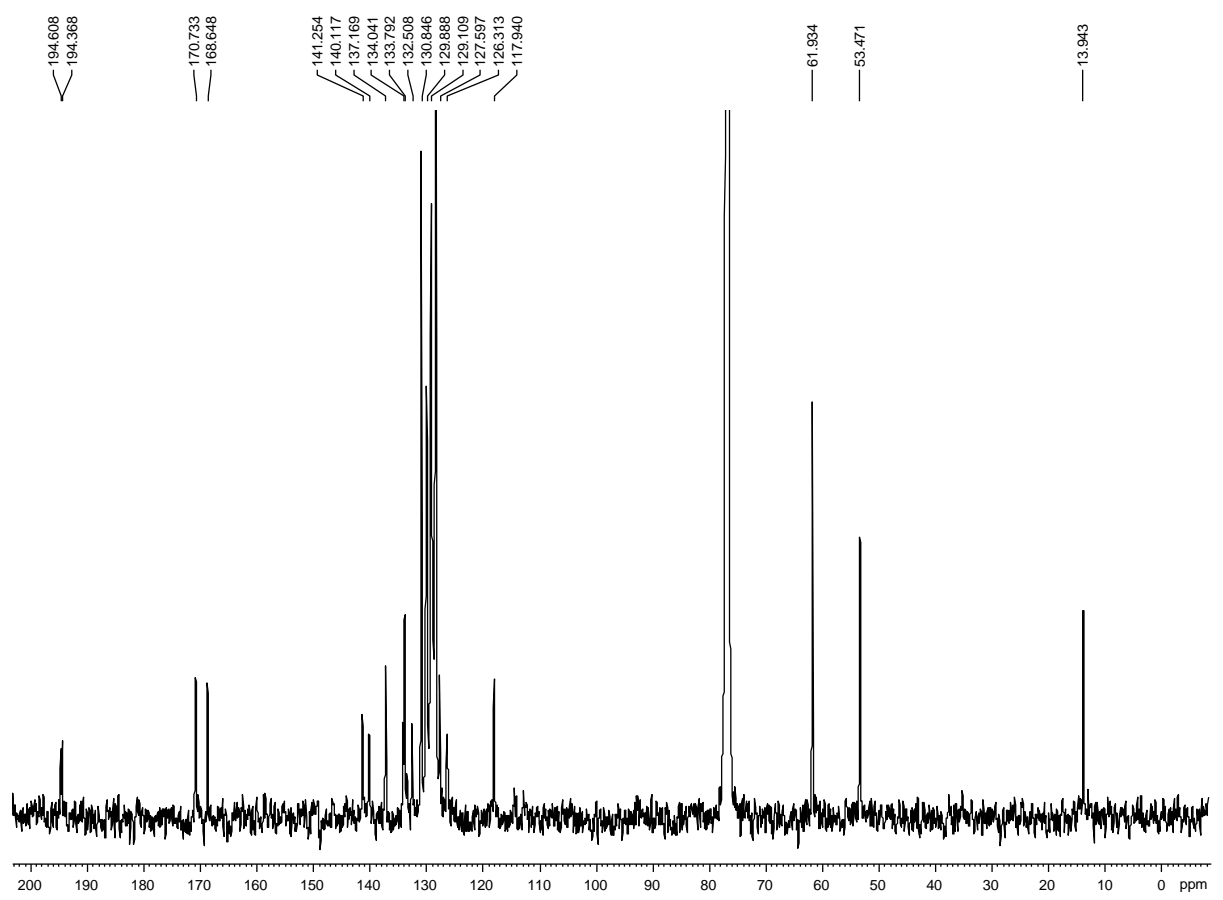
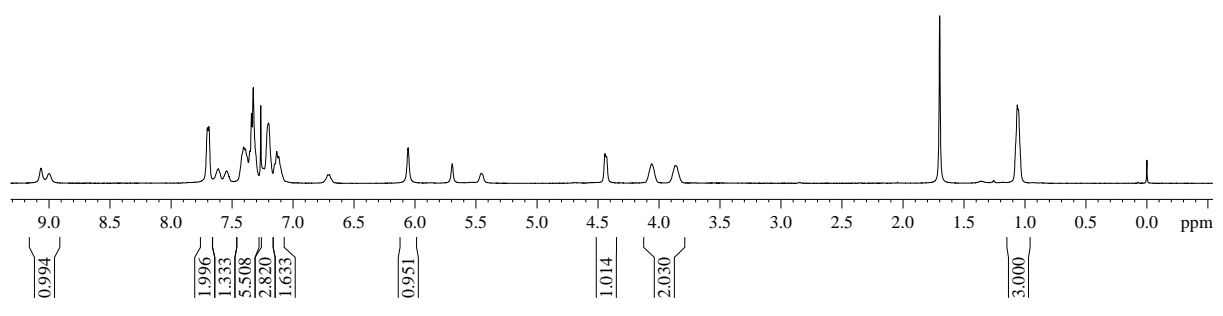
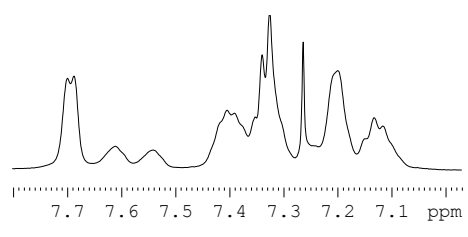
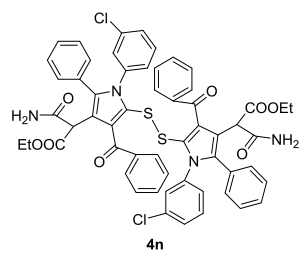


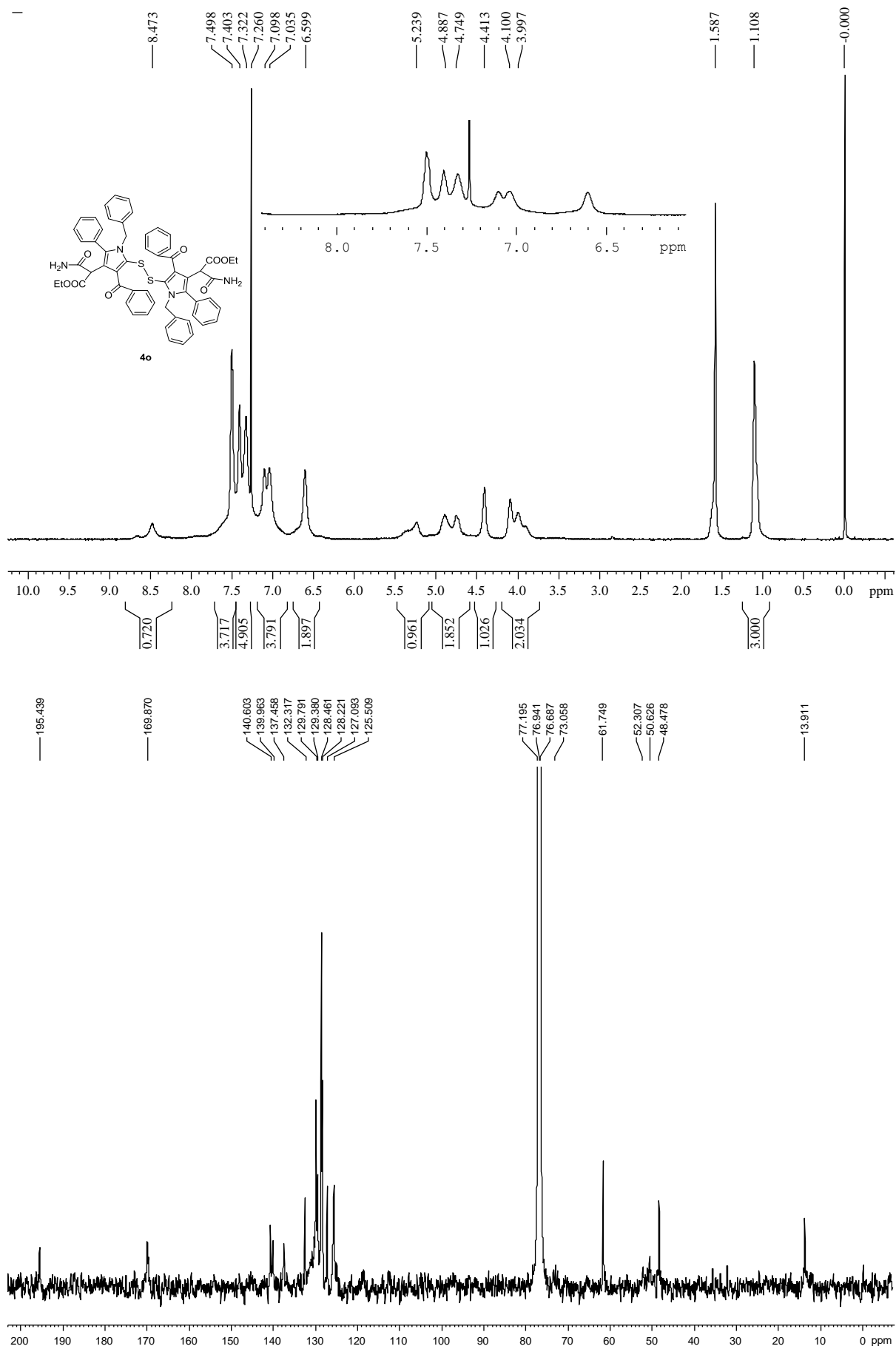


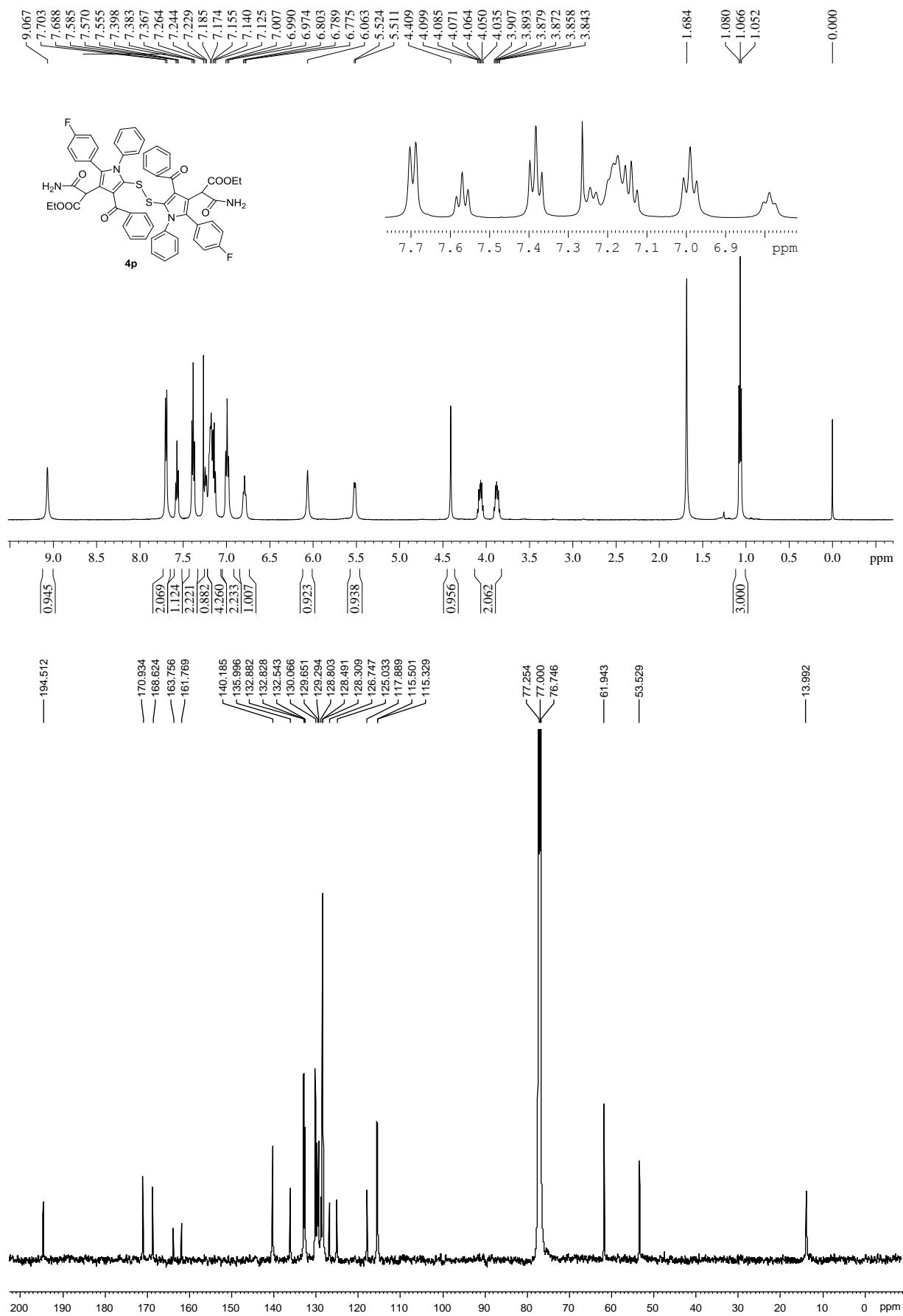


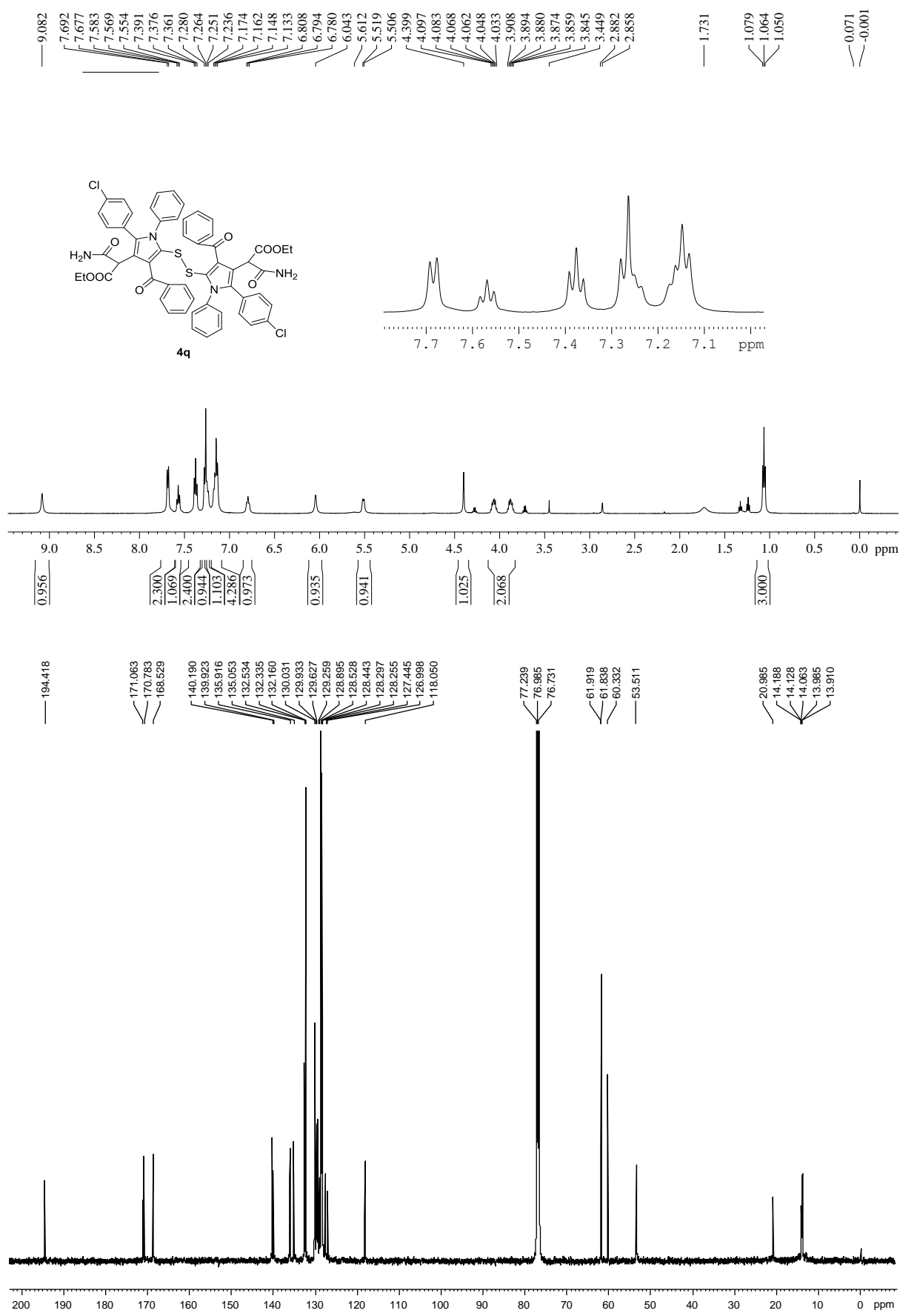


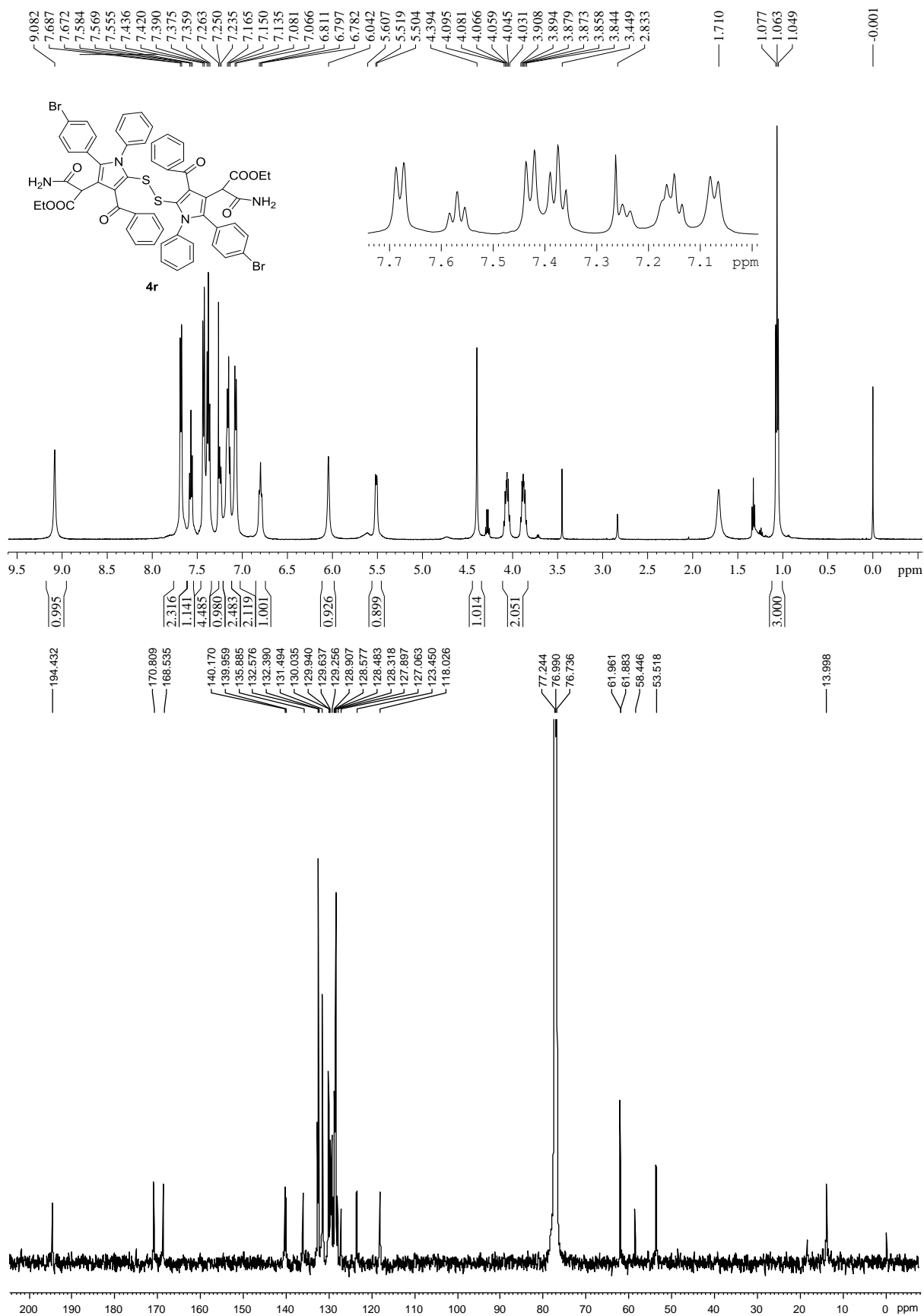
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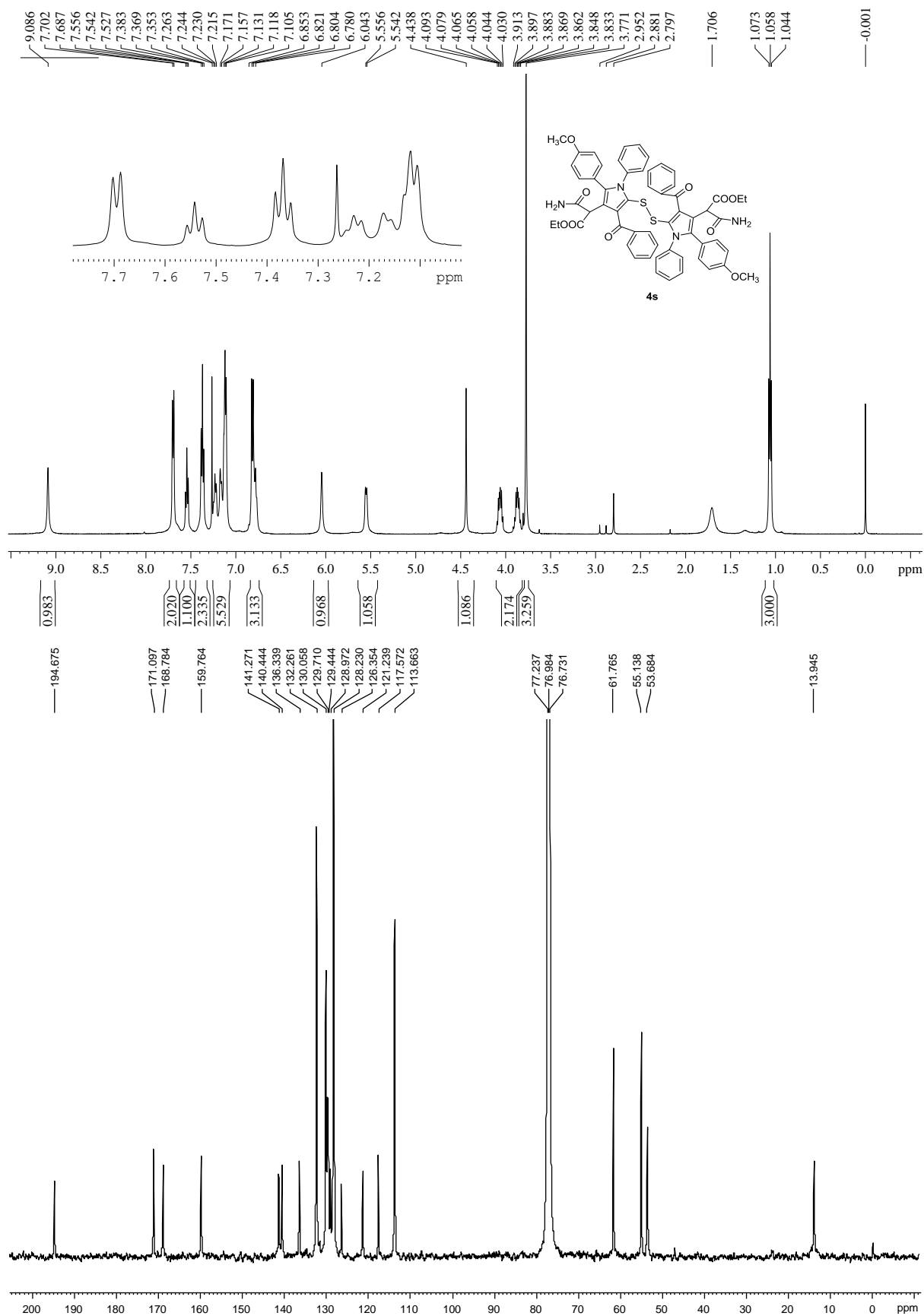


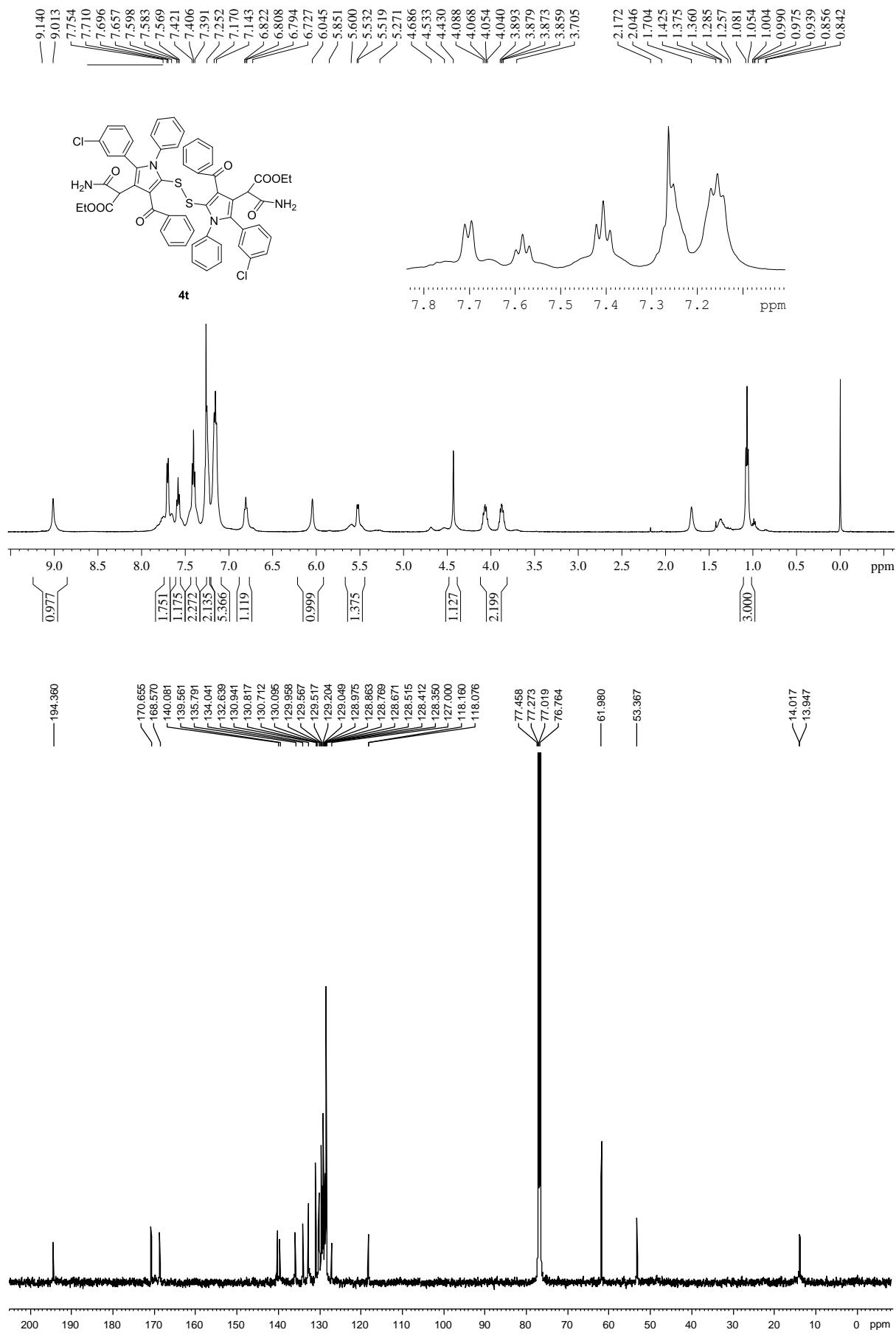


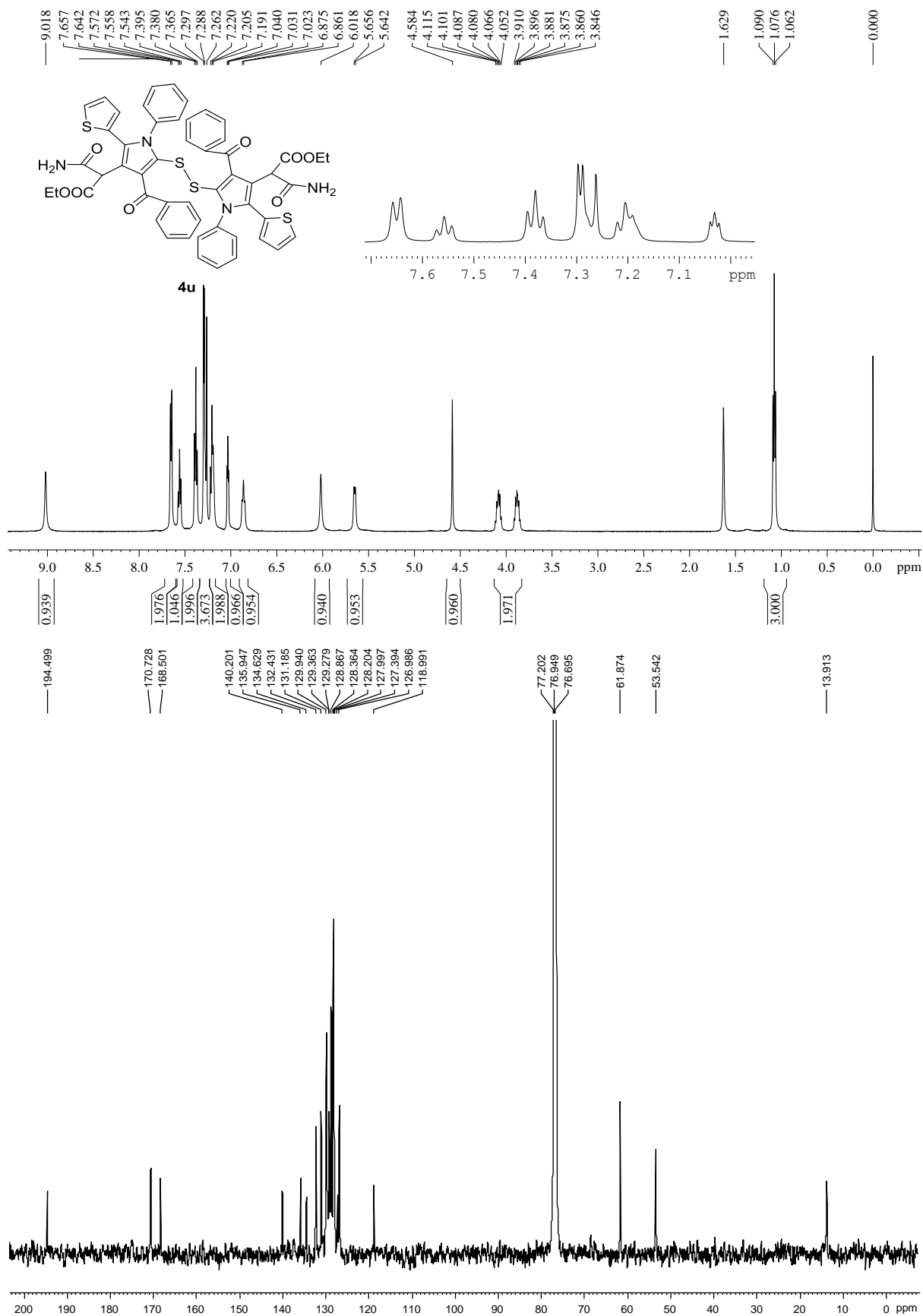


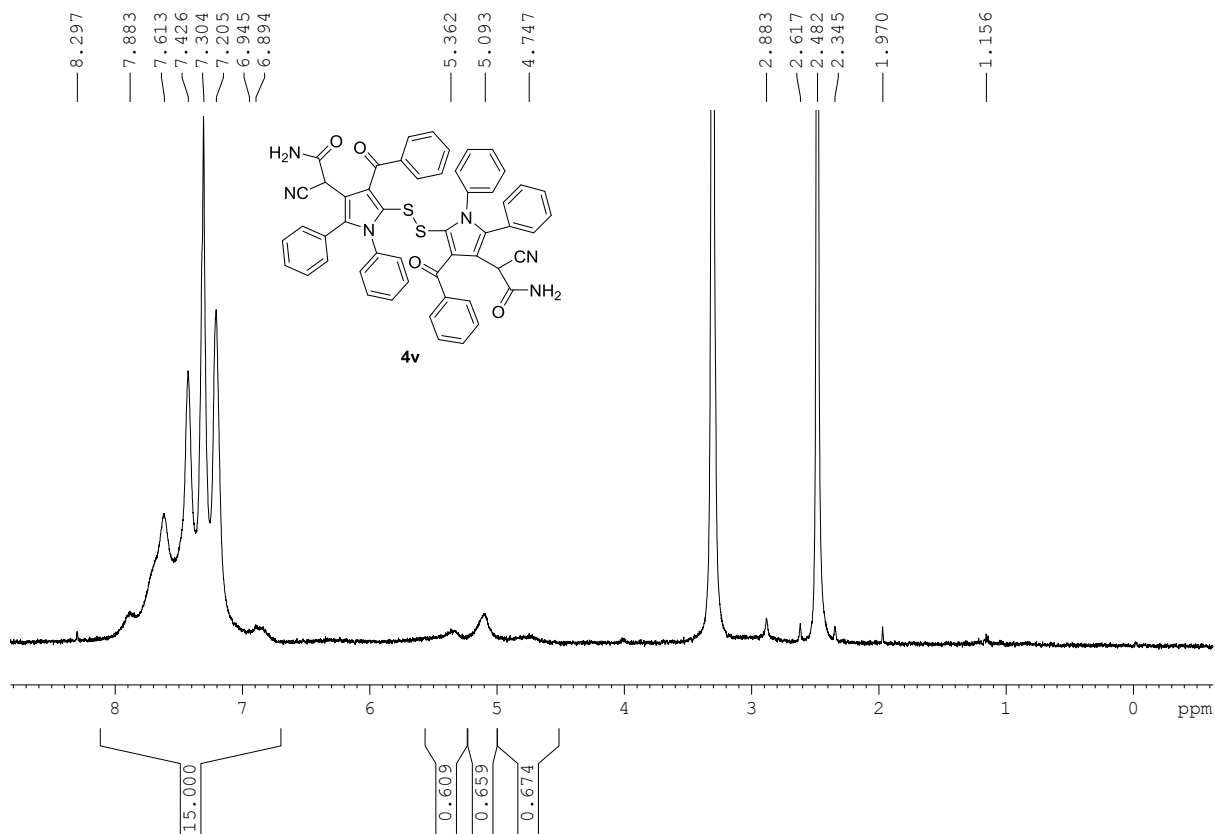




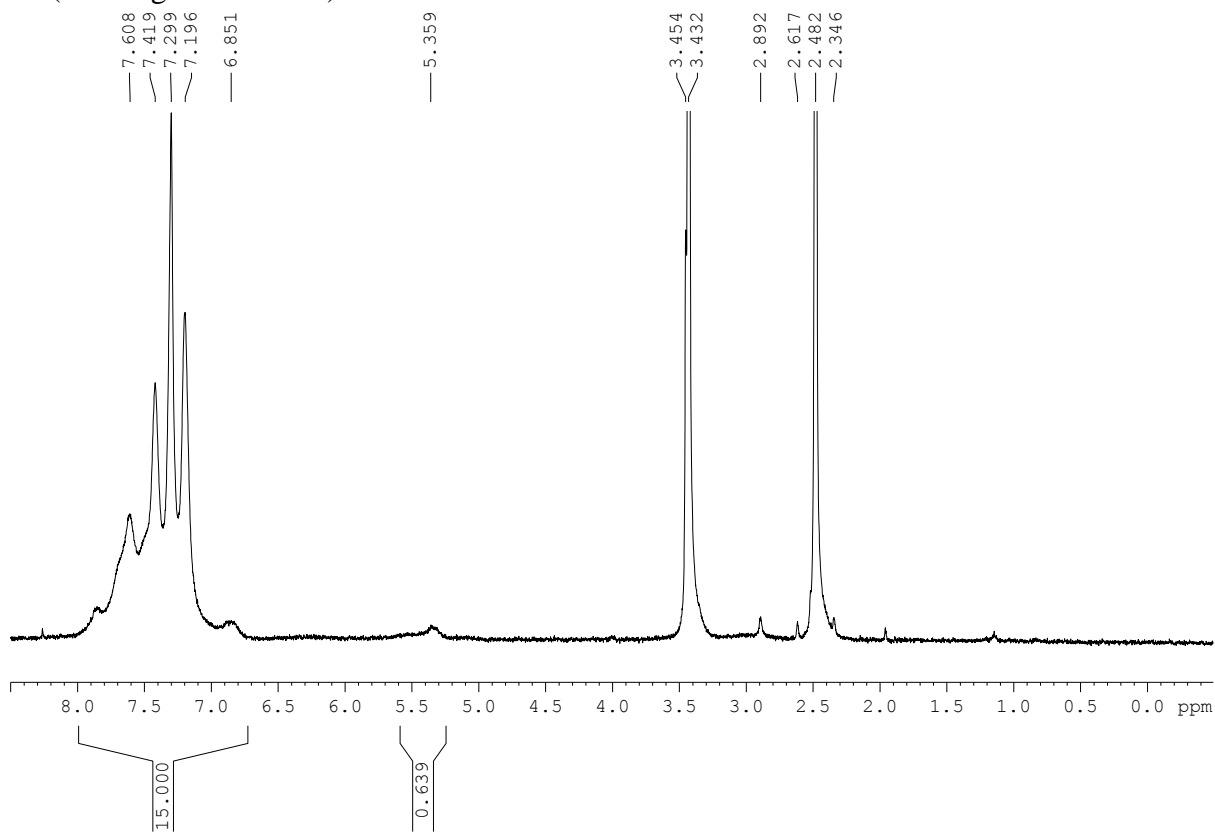


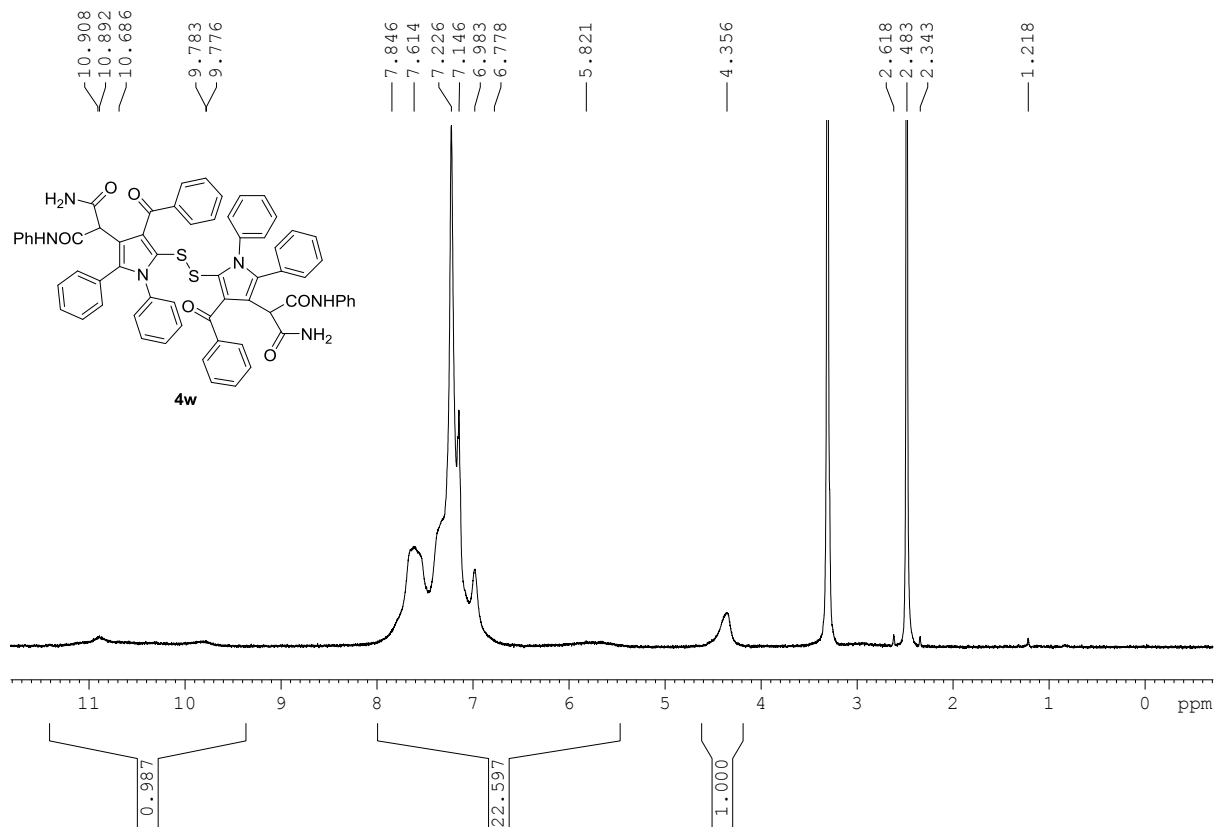
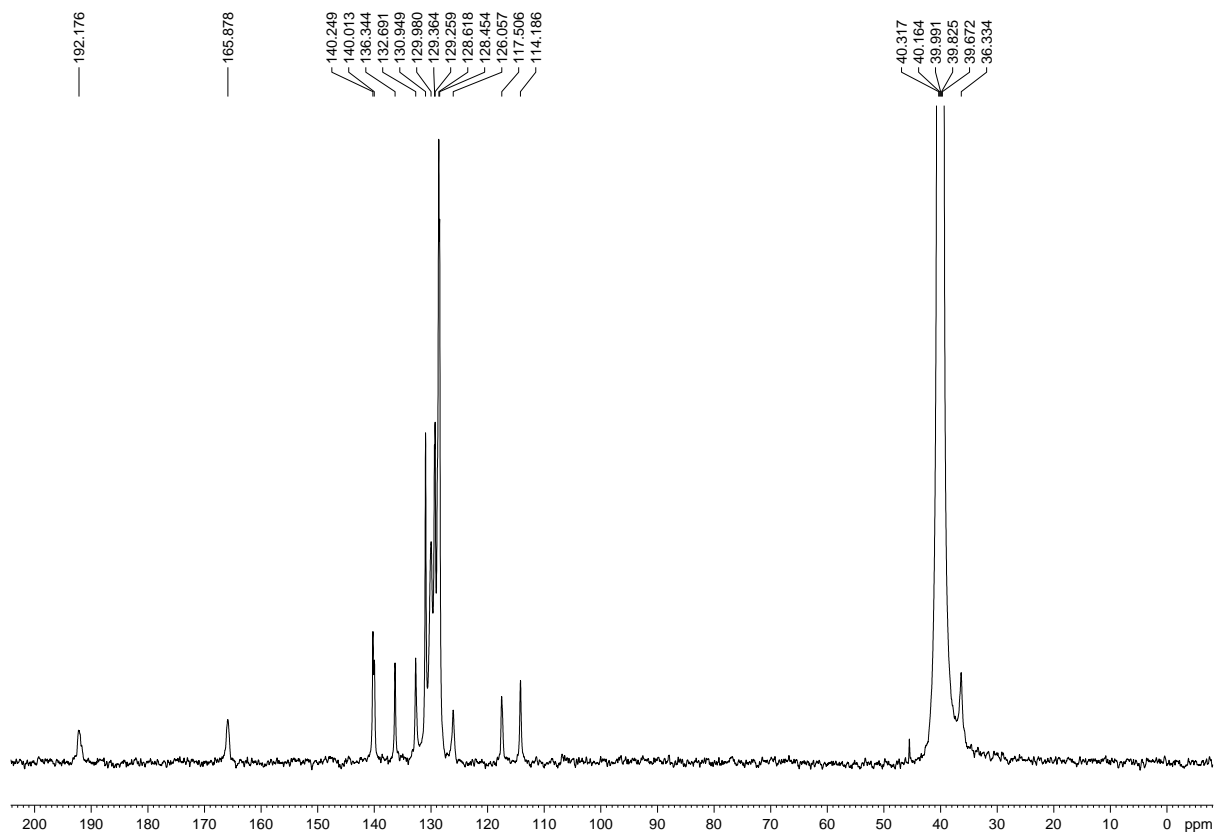






4v (exchanged with D₂O)





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