

Electronic Supplementary information

Synthesis and characterisation of push-pull flavin-based dyes with efficient second harmonic generation (SHG) properties.

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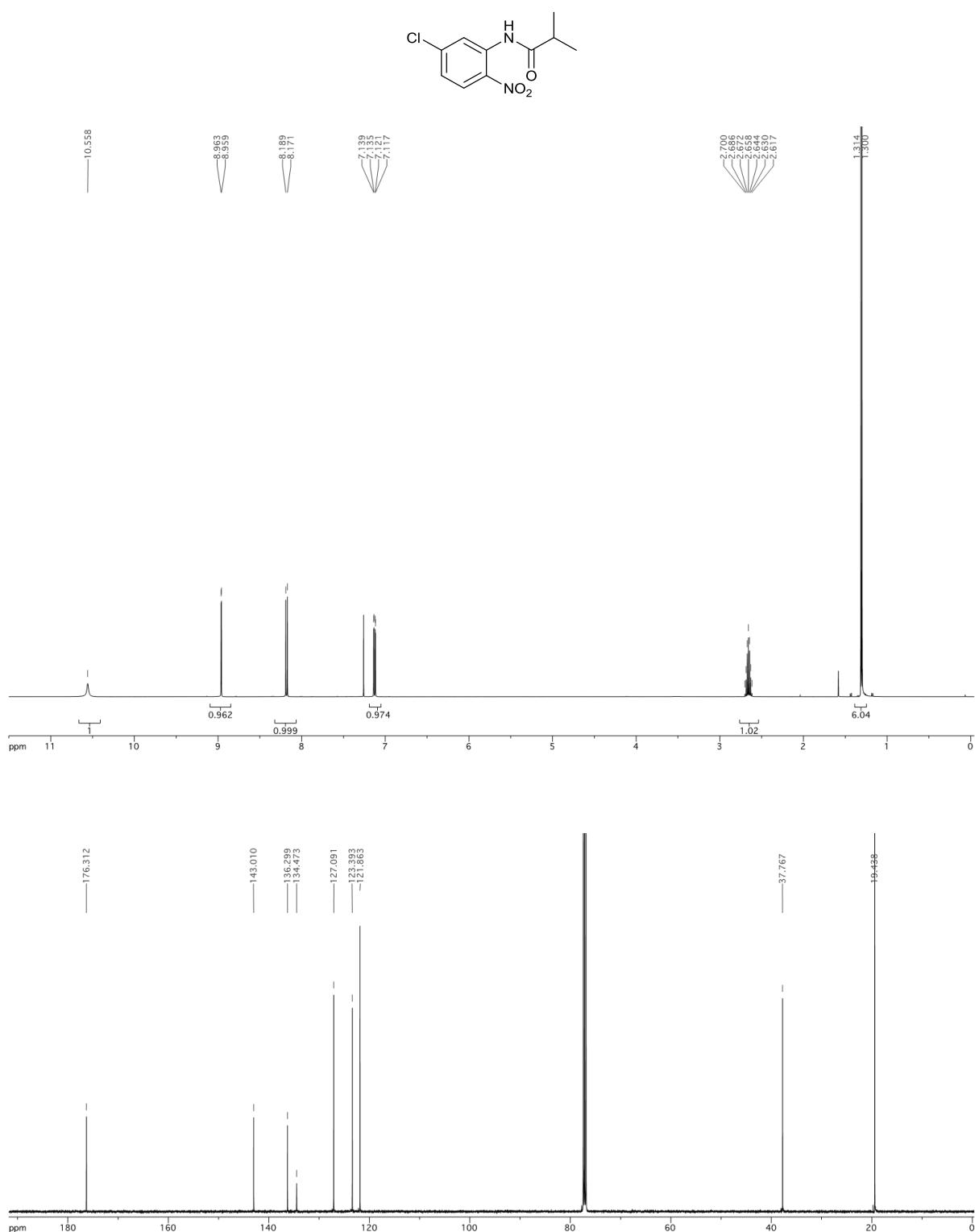
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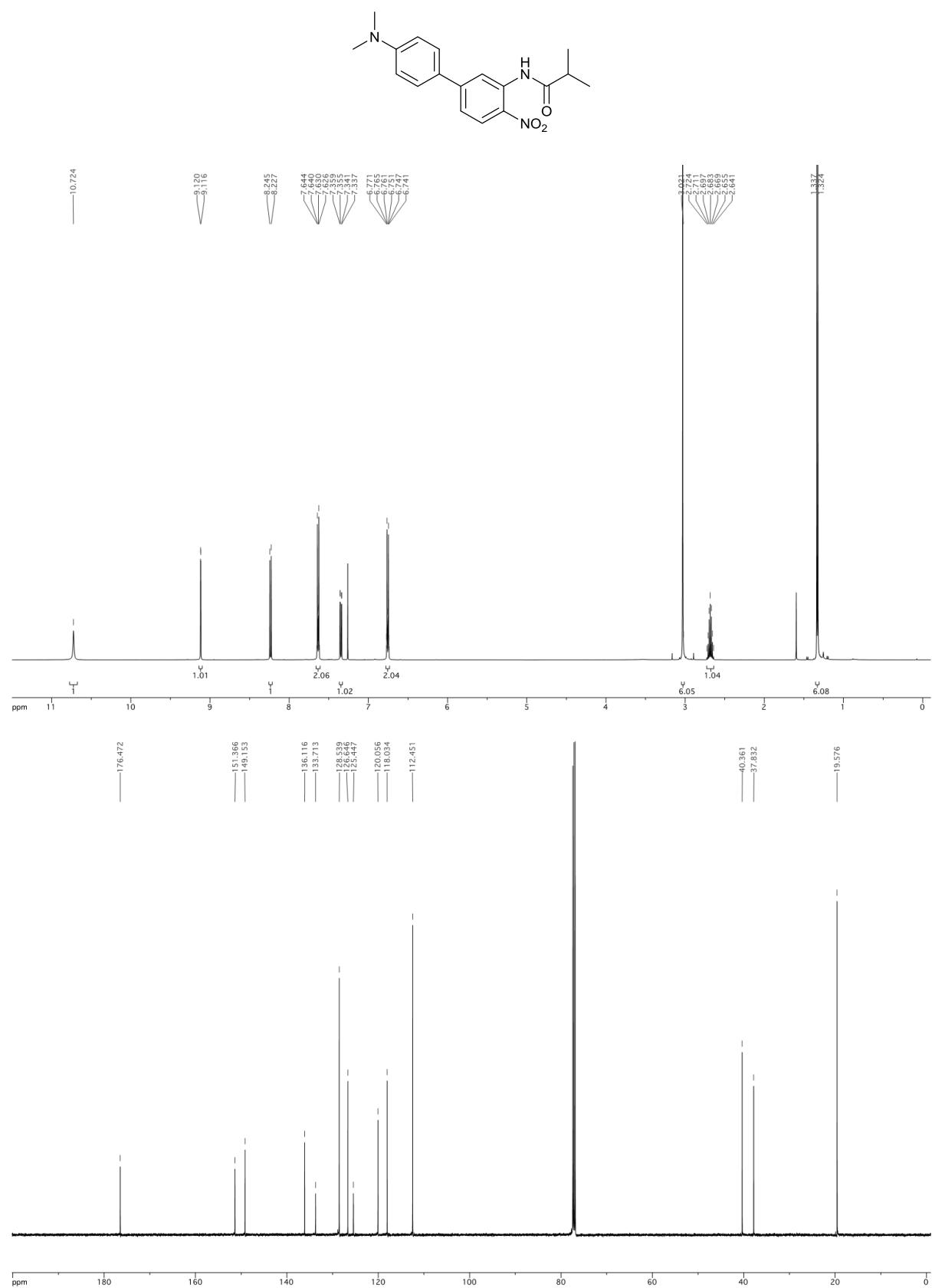
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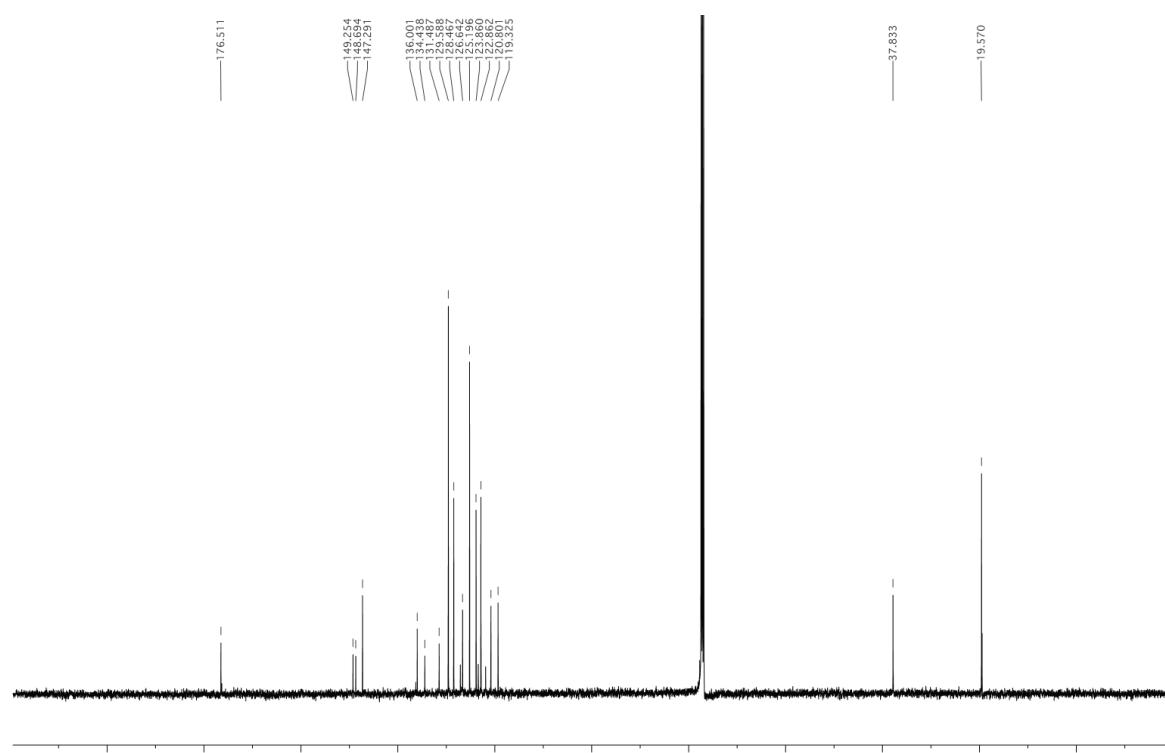
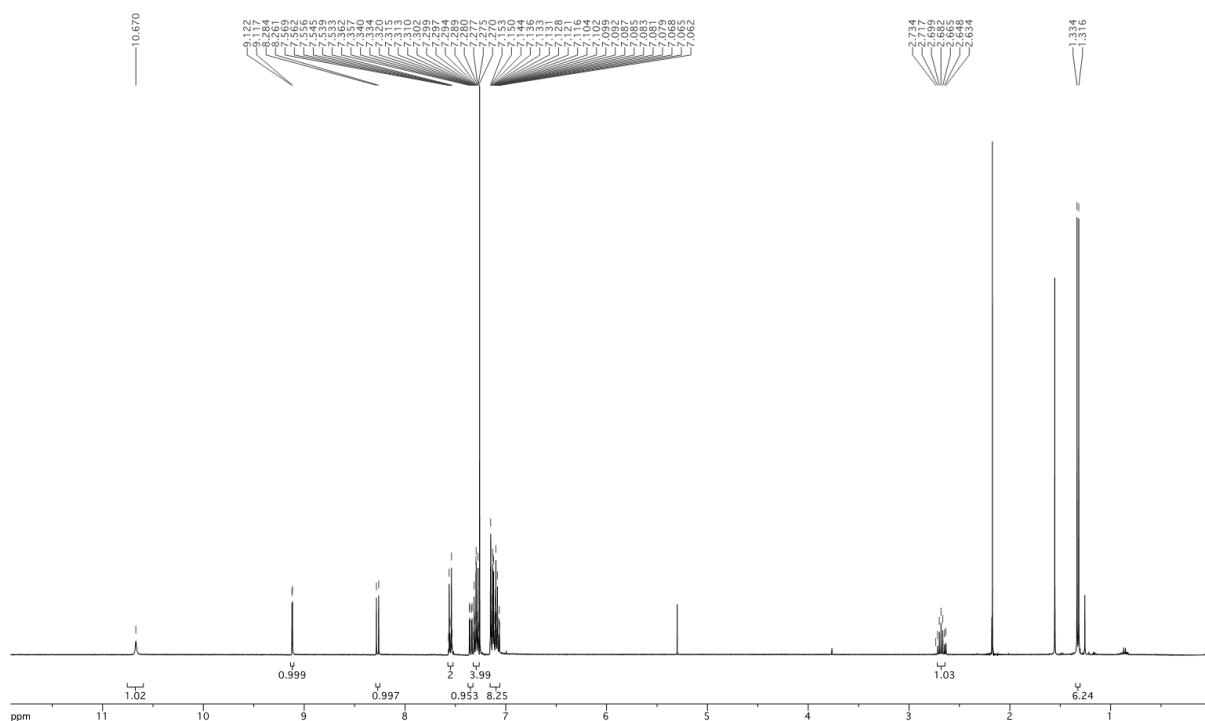
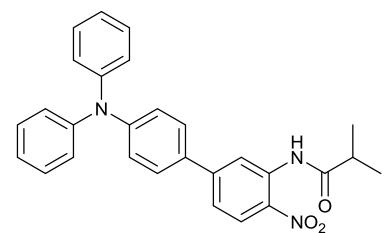
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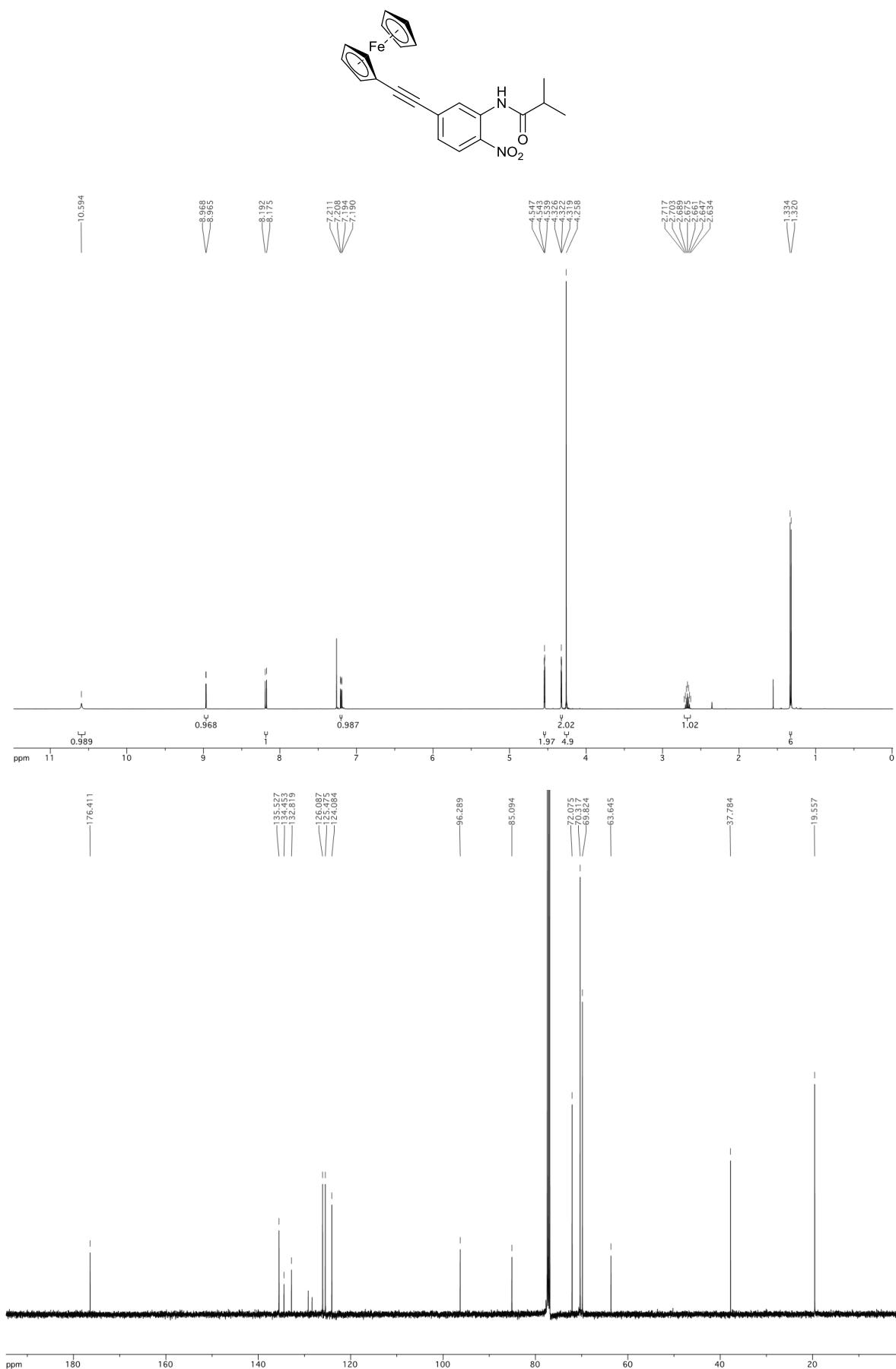
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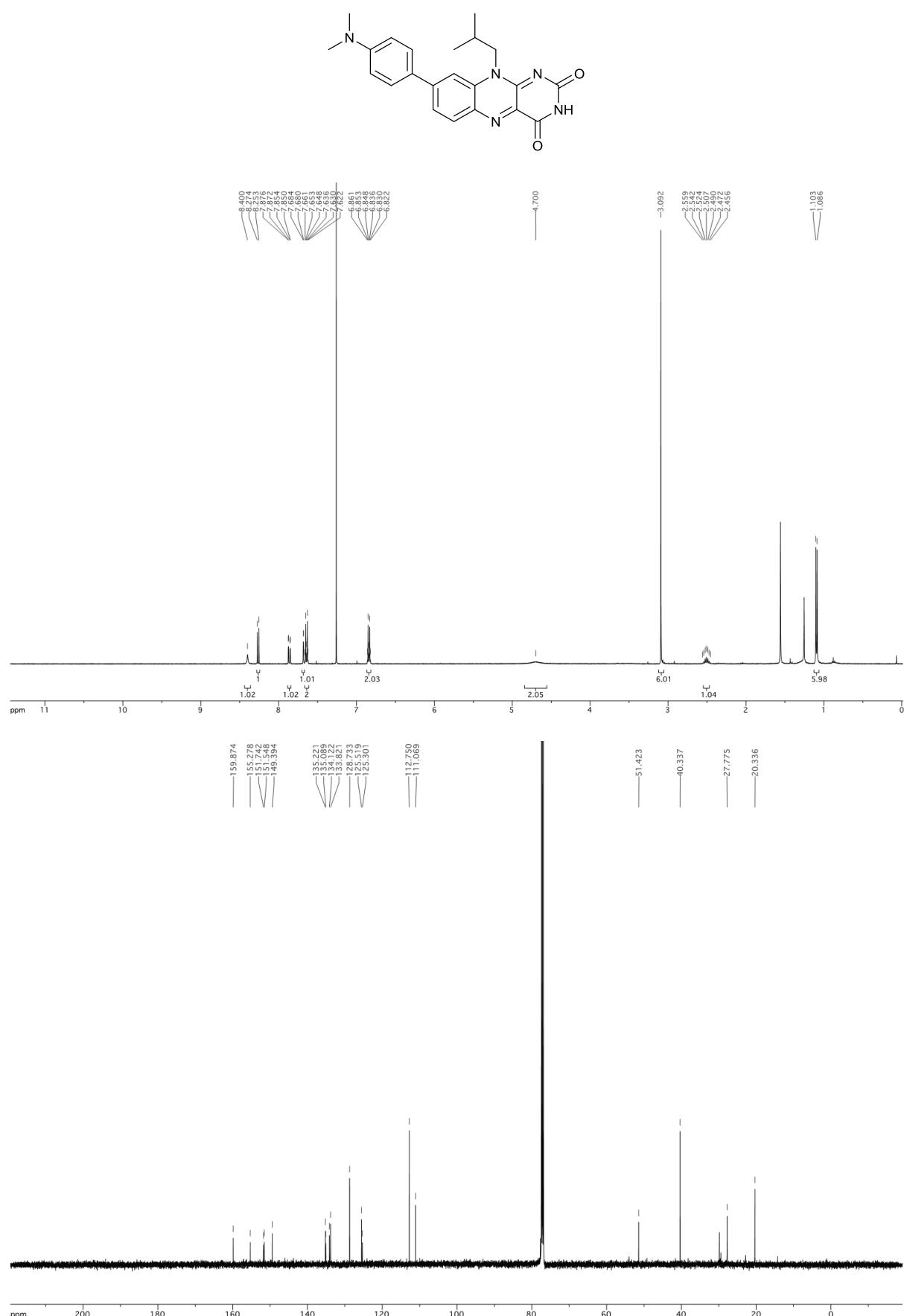


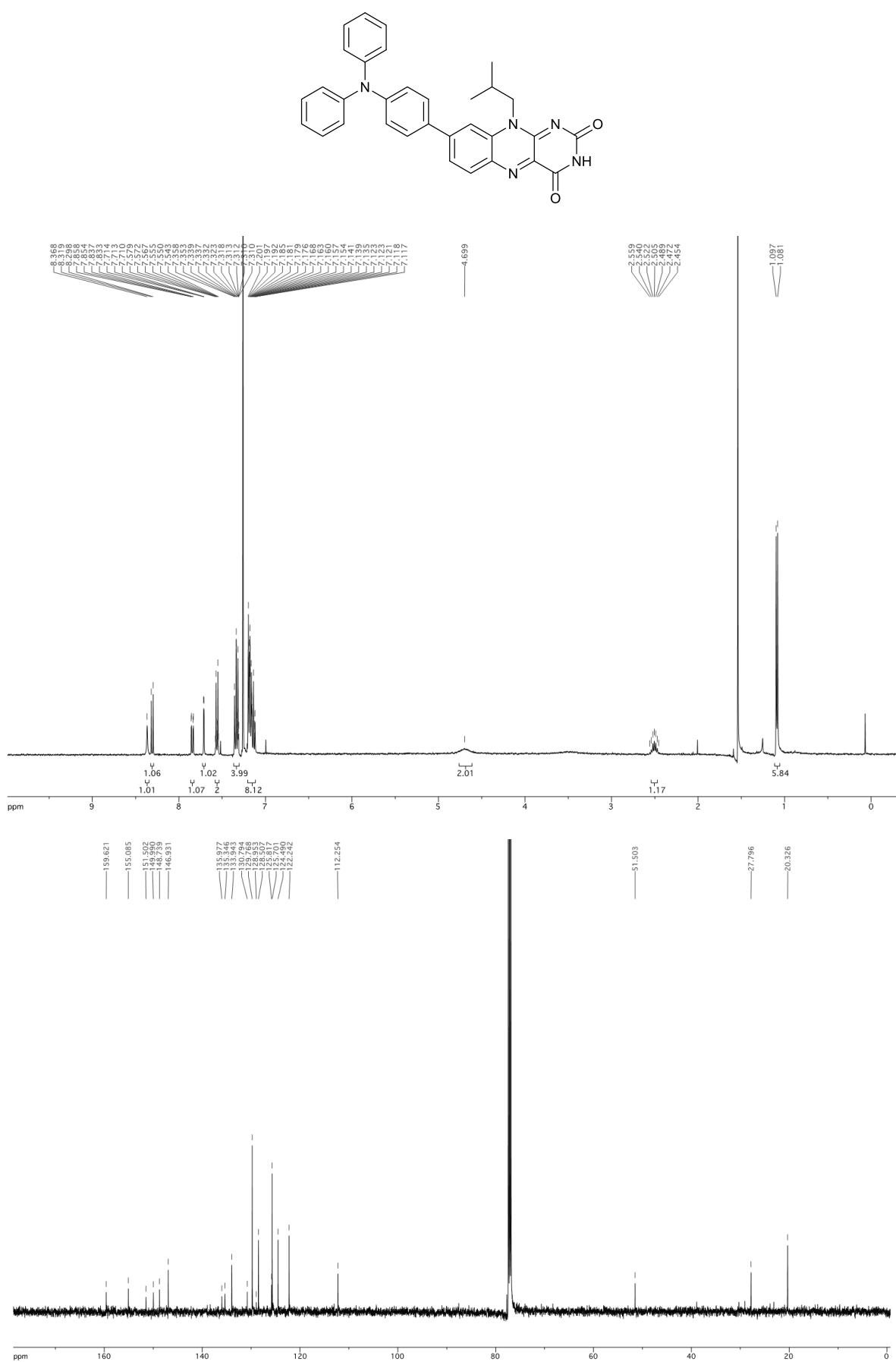
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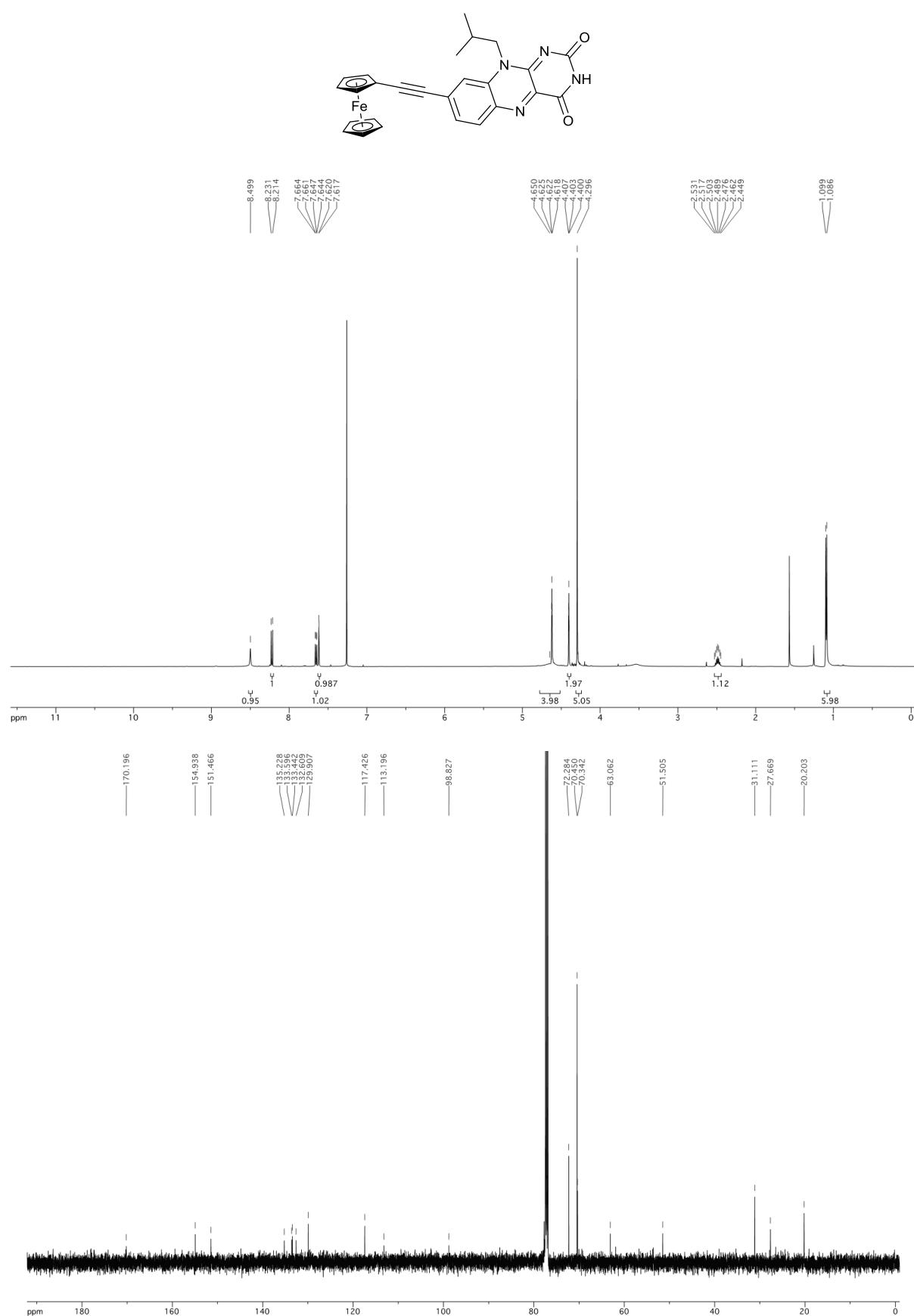


Compound 3c



FLA-A

FLA-B

FLA-C

2. TGA and DSC data

FLA-A

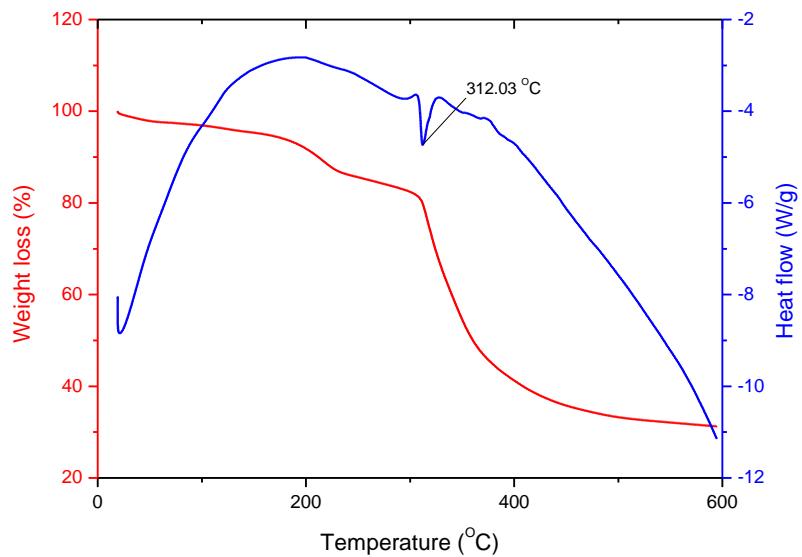


Figure S1 – Thermal analysis data for compound **FLA-A** recorded under a nitrogen atmosphere, measured at a heating rate of $10\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C min}^{-1}$.

FLA-B

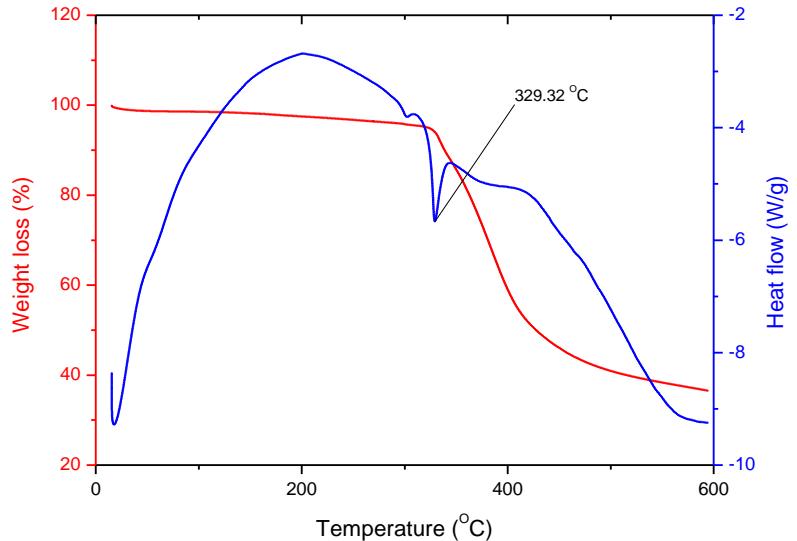


Figure S2 – Thermal analysis data for compound **Fla-B** recorded under a nitrogen atmosphere, measured at a heating rate of $10\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C min}^{-1}$.

FLA-C

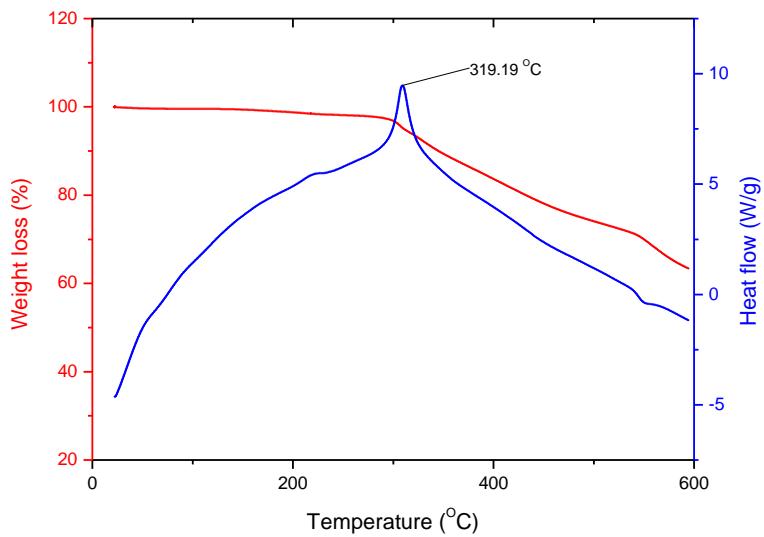


Figure S3 – Thermal analysis data for compound **FLA-C** recorded under a nitrogen atmosphere, measured at a heating rate of $10\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C min}^{-1}$.

3. Voltammetry data

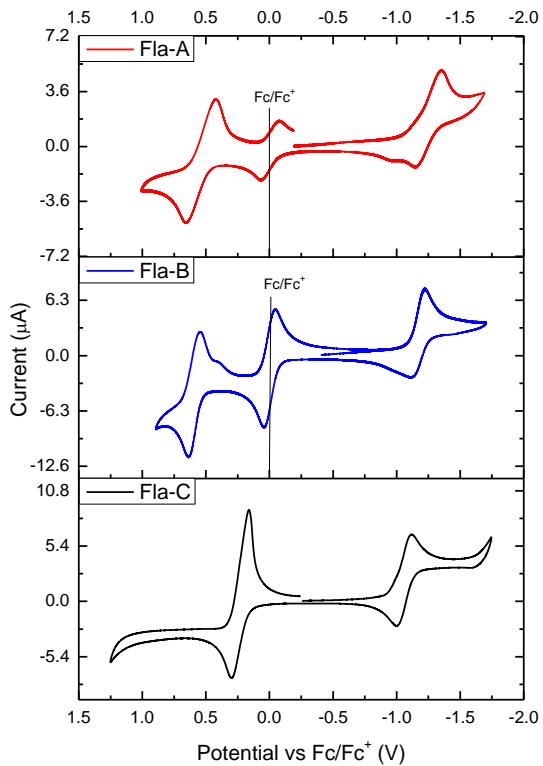


Figure S4 – Cyclic voltammetry plots of **FLA A-C**, in CHCl_3 ($C = 10^{-3}\text{M}$). All the experiments were performed using a Pt working electrode, a Pt counter electrode and Ag wire as reference. TBAPF_6 (0.1M) was used as supporting electrolyte and the collected data were referenced to the redox potential of Fc/Fc^+ couple.

	E_{OX} (V)	E_{RED} (V)	IP (eV)	EA (eV)	E_{G,FUND} (eV)
FLA-A	0.52	-1.25	-5.32	-3.55	1.77
FLA-B	0.69	-0.92	-5.49	-3.88	1.61
FLA-C	0.19	-1.04	-4.99	-3.76	1.23

Table S1 – Summary of electrochemical properties of **FLA-A – C**. Ionisation potentials (IPs) and electron affinities (EAs) were calculated by applying the empirical equations: IP = -(E_{OX} + 4.80) and EA = -(E_{RED} + 4.80).^{S1,S2}

4. Theoretical calculations

Solvent dependence computation was performed at DFT level using the hybrid B3LYP level by employing the 6-31+G** basis set using polarizable continuum model (keyword: scrf=solvent). Frequency calculations were performed to insure the absence of negative frequencies.

Flavin A	μ	HOMO	LUMO
1,4-Dioxane	17.0152	-5.6428	-3.1410
Toluene	17.2402	-5.6333	-3.1467
Dichloromethane	20.2001	-5.5245	-3.2142
Dimethylsulfoxide	21.4030	-5.4888	-3.2392
Flavin B	μ	HOMO	LUMO
1,4-Dioxane	14.3034	-5.5658	-3.2420
Toluene	14.4754	-5.5596	-3.2463
Dichloromethane	16.6393	-5.4913	-3.2937
Dimethylsulfoxide	17.4862	-5.4676	-3.3086
Flavin C	μ	HOMO	LUMO
1,4-Dioxane	13.6595	-5.8856	-3.3554
Toluene	13.8190	-5.8782	-3.3592
Dichloromethane	15.7836	-5.7818	-3.3954
Dimethylsulfoxide	16.5851	-5.7593	-3.4061

Table S2 – Summary of calculated solvent dependant properties of **FLA-A – C**.

Gaussian 09 keywords freq=raman, cphf=rdfreq and polar were used to compute the hyperpolarisability. Here the hyperpolarisability β_{tot} is given as the function of the tensor and $\beta_{||}$ is the hyperpolarisability parallel to the ground state CT direction. $\beta_{||}$ is given in the output file whereas β_{tot} is obtained from the different parts of the tensor.

$$\beta_{tot} = (\beta_x^2 + \beta_y^2 + \beta_z^2)^{1/2}$$

$$\beta_{tot} = [(\beta_{xxx} + \beta_{xyy} + \beta_{xzz})^2 + (\beta_{yyy} + \beta_{yzz} + \beta_{yxz})^2 + (\beta_{zzz} + \beta_{zxz} + \beta_{zyz})^2]^{1/2}$$

Fla-A

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Fla-B

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