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Rh(III)-Catalyzed *ortho*-C-(sp²)-H Amidation of Ketone and Aldehyde by Virtue of Synergistic Ligand Accelerated Catalysis

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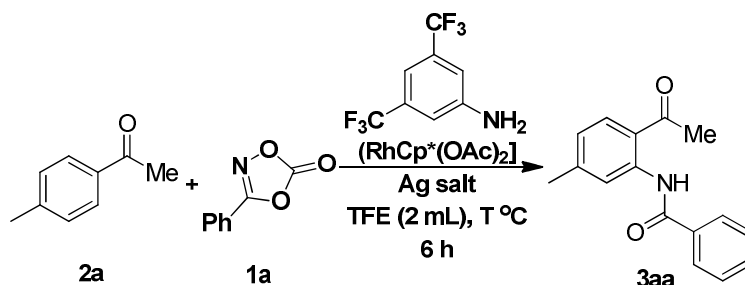
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General experimental

NMR spectra were recorded on a 400 MHz spectrometer in CDCl₃, Tetramethylsilane (TMS; $\delta = 0.00$ ppm) served as an internal standard for ¹H NMR. The corresponding residual nondeuterated solvent signal (CDCl₃; $\delta = 77.16$ ppm) was used as internal standard for ¹³C NMR (100 MHz). IR spectra were measured using a FT-IR spectrometer. Mass spectra were obtained with a Q-TOF Mass Spectrometer (ESI-HRMS). Flash column chromatography was carried out by packing glass columns with commercial silica gel 100-200 mesh (commercial suppliers) and thin-layer chromatography was carried out using silica gel GF-254. All catalysts [RhCp*Cl₂]₂, [RhCp*(OAc)₂], [RhCp*(CH₃CN)₃](SbF₆)₂, and [Cp*Co(CO)I₂] were prepared according to literature procedure.¹⁻² Reagents and reactants were procured from commercial suppliers. Trifluoroethanol solvent was purchased from commercial suppliers and used for all procedures. Other solvents, used for work up and chromatographic procedures were purchased from commercial suppliers and used without any further purification. All the aldehydes were freshly distilled under Argon atmosphere or washed with saturated aq. solution of NaHCO₃ before use. Dioxazolones were prepared according to the literature procedure.³

Table 1: Detailed optimization of reaction conditions for Rh(III) catalyzed C-H amidation of ketones:^a

| entry | silver salt (equiv) | temp (°C) | additives (mol %) | yield (%) ^b |
|-----------------|---------------------|-----------|---|------------------------|
| 1 | AgSbF ₆ | rt | none | nd |
| 2 | AgSbF ₆ | 50 | none | nd |
| 3 | AgSbF ₆ | 80 | none | 13 |
| 4 | AgSbF ₆ | 120 | none | 25 |
| 5 | AgSbF ₆ | 100 | none | 9 |
| 6 ^c | AgSbF ₆ | 100 | none | 45 |
| 7 | AgPF ₆ | 100 | AcOH | 43 |
| 8 | AgPF ₆ | 100 | Cl ₃ CCO ₂ H | 21 |
| 9 | AgPF ₆ | 100 | NaOAc | 18 |
| 10 | AgPF ₆ | 100 | AgOAc | 35 |
| 11 | AgPF ₆ | 100 | H ₂ O | 40 |
| 12 | AgPF ₆ | 100 | (C ₆ H ₅) ₃ B | 9 |
| 13 ^d | AgPF ₆ | 100 | none | 13 |

^a Reaction conditions: Unless otherwise noted all reactions were carried out using **1a** (0.24 mmol), **2a** (0.2 mmol), Ligand **L11** (0.04 mol%), Catalyst (0.01 mmol), Ag salt (0.04 mmol), Additive (0.02 mmol), TFE (2 mL) as solvent at 100 °C over 6 h. ^b NMR yield. ^c Reaction was continued over 20 h. ^d 3 mL of TFE solvent was used.

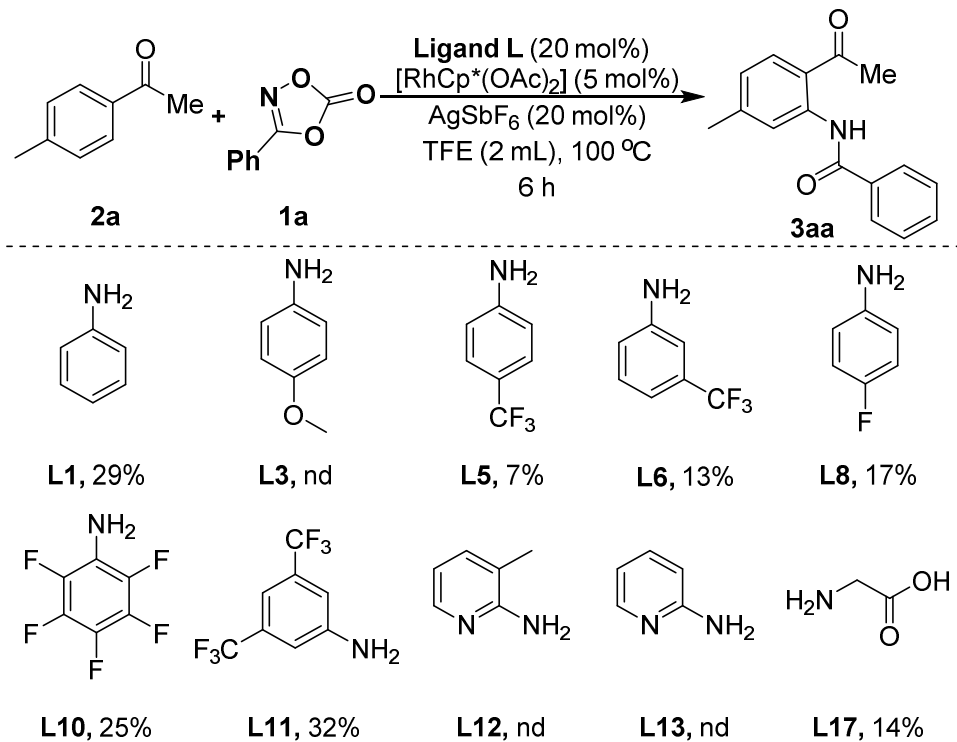
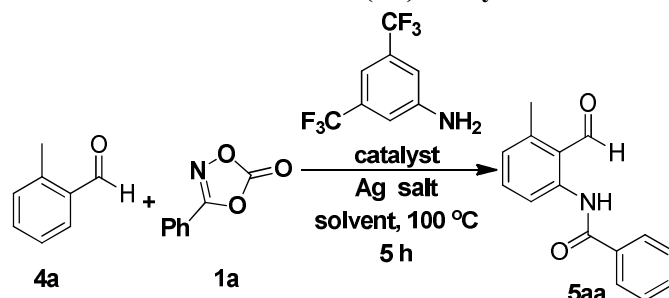
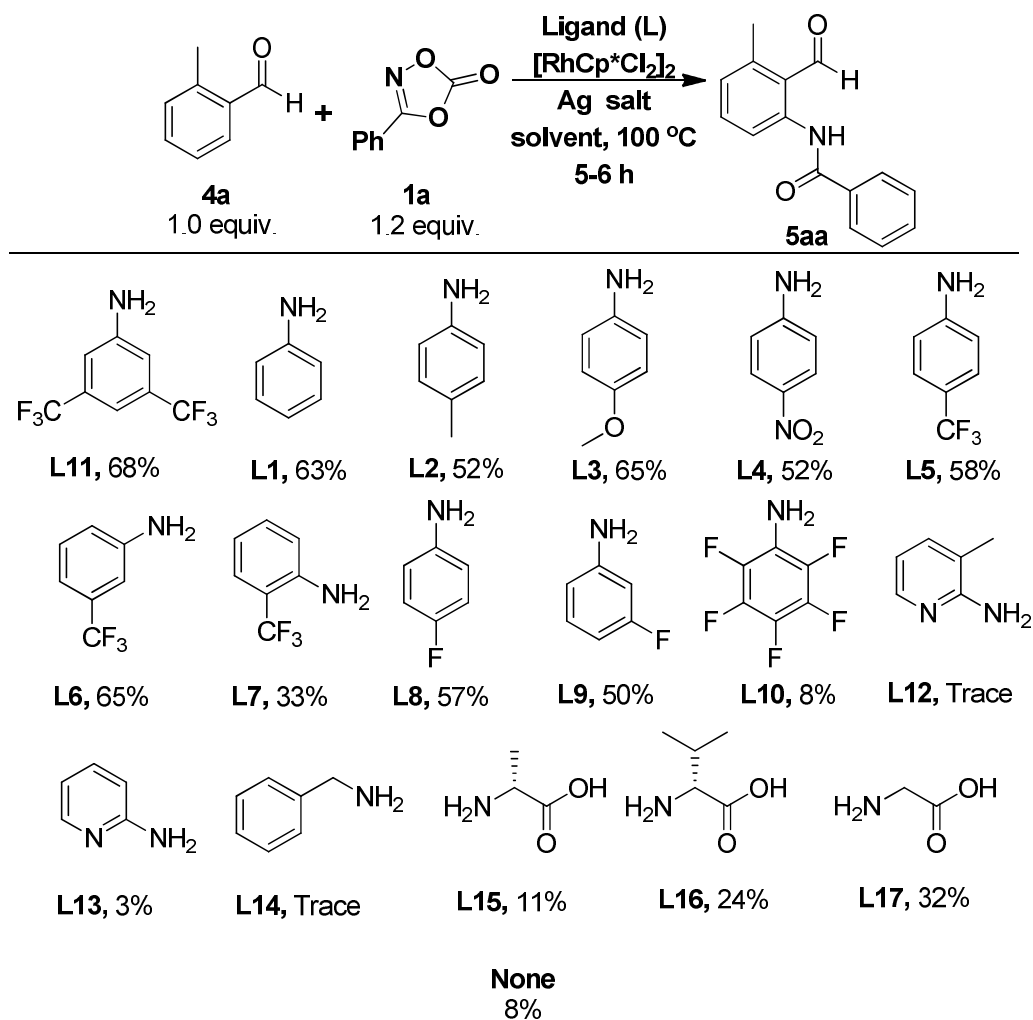
Table 2: Ligand screening for the amidation reaction for *ortho* C-H amidation of 4-methylacetophenone **2a** with 3-phenyl-1,4,2-dioxazol-5-one **1a**.

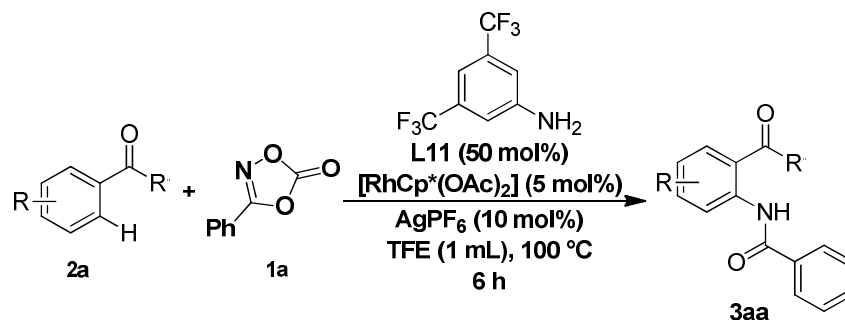
Table 3: Optimization of reaction conditions for Rh(III) catalyzed C-H amidation of aldehydes:

| entry | catalyst(equiv) | Ag- salt (equiv) | additives (mol %) | yield ^b %) |
|-----------------------|--|--------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 | [Ru(<i>p</i> -cymene)Cl ₂] ₂ | AgSbF ₆ | none | nd |
| 2 ^c | [RhCp*Cl ₂] ₂ | AgSbF ₆ | none | 60 |
| 3 | [Cp*Co(CO)I ₂] | AgSbF ₆ | none | nd |
| 4 ^d | [RhCp*Cl ₂] ₂ | AgSbF ₆ | none | Trace |
| 5 ^e | [RhCp*Cl ₂] ₂ | AgSbF ₆ | none | 9 |
| 6 ^f | [RhCp*Cl ₂] ₂ | AgSbF ₆ | none | 56 |
| 7 ^g | [RhCp*Cl ₂] ₂ | AgSbF ₆ | none | 64 |
| 8 | [RhCp*Cl ₂] ₂ | AgNTf ₂ | none | 53 |
| 9 | [RhCp*Cl ₂] ₂ | AgBF ₄ | none | 52 |
| 10 | [RhCp*Cl ₂] ₂ | AgOAc | none | Trace |
| 11 | [RhCp*Cl ₂] ₂ | AgPF ₆ | none | 55 |
| 12 | [RhCp*Cl ₂] ₂ | AgPF ₆ | AcOH | 55 |
| 13 | [RhCp*Cl ₂] ₂ | AgSbF ₆ | PivOH | 57 |
| 15 | [RhCp*Cl ₂] ₂ | AgSbF ₆ | NaOAc | 10 |
| 17 | [RhCp*Cl ₂] ₂ | AgSbF ₆ | CsOAc | nd |
| 18 | [RhCp*Cl ₂] ₂ | AgSbF ₆ | 4 Å MS | 9 |
| 19 ⁱ | [RhCp*Cl ₂] ₂ | AgSbF ₆ | none | 70 |
| 20 ^j | [RhCp*Cl ₂] ₂ | AgSbF ₆ | none | 75 |
| 21 ^h | [RhCp*Cl ₂] ₂ | AgSbF ₆ | none | 74 |
| 22 ^k | [RhCp*Cl ₂] ₂ | AgSbF ₆ | none | 79 |
| 23^l | [RhCp*Cl₂]₂ | AgSbF₆ | none | 83 |
| 24 ^m | [RhCp*Cl ₂] ₂ | AgSbF ₆ | none | 40 |
| 25 ⁿ | [RhCp*Cl ₂] ₂ | AgSbF ₆ | none | 76 |
| 26 ^o | [RhCp*Cl ₂] ₂ | AgSbF ₆ | none | 8 |

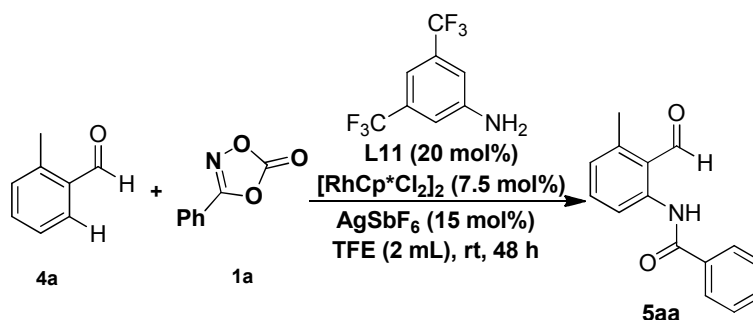
^a Reaction conditions: Unless otherwise noted all reactions were carried out using **1a** (0.24 mmol), **4a** (0.2 mmol), Ligand **L11** (0.04 mol%), Catalyst (0.01 mmol), Ag salt (0.04 mmol), Additive (0.04 mmol), TFE (2 mL) as solvent, entry 1-18 at 100 °C over 5 h, entry 19-25 at rt over 24 h. ^b NMR yield. ^c DCE as solvent. ^e Toluene as solvent. ^f THF as solvent. ^g DCM as solvent. ^h Reversing the equiv. of **1a** and **4a**. ⁱ Reaction was carried out at 50 °C. ^j Reaction was continued for 24 h. ^k for 48 h. ^l Catalyst (0.015 mmol), Ag salt (0.06 mmol), Additive (0.04 mmol), TFE (2 mL) as solvent, at rt over 48 h. ^m 10 mol% of 3,5-bis(trifluoromethyl)aniline. ⁿ 40 mol% of 3,5-bis(trifluoromethyl)aniline. ^o In the absence of aniline.

Table 4: Ligand screening for the amidation reaction for *ortho* C-H amidation of 2-methylbenzaldehyde **4a** with 3-phenyl-1,4,2-dioxazol-5-one **1a**.

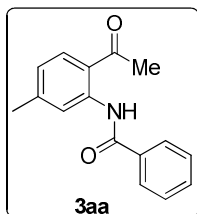
Reaction conditions: **1a** (0.24 mmol), **4a** (0.2 mmol), ligand **L** (20 mol%), $[\text{RhCp}^*\text{Cl}_2]_2$ (0.01 mmol), AgSbF_6 (0.04 mmol), TFE (2 mL) as solvent.

Typical experimental procedure for Rh(III) catalyzed C-H amidation of ketones:

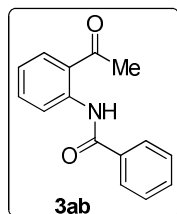
A suspension of 4-methylacetophenone **2a** (27.0 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 3-phenyl-1,4-dioxazol-5-one **1a** (40.0 mg, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv), 3,5-bis(trifluoromethyl)aniline **L11** (22.9 mg, 0.04 mmol, 0.5 equiv), **[RhCp*(OAc)₂]** (3.6 mg, 0.01 mmol, 0.05 equiv), and **AgPF₆** (5.1 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.1 equiv) in anhydrous TFE was stirred at 100 °C temperature for 6 h. At ambient temperature the solvent was evaporated on vacuo and the resulting crude reaction mixture was purified on a silica gel column using a flash column.

Typical experimental procedure for Rh(III) catalyzed C-H amidation of aldehyde:

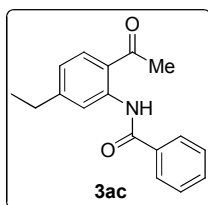
A suspension of 2-methylbenzaldehyde **4a** (24.0 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 3-phenyl-1,4-dioxazol-5-one **1a** (40.0 mg, 0.24 mmol, 1.2 equiv), 3,5-bis(trifluoromethyl)aniline **L11** (9.2 mg, 0.04 mmol, 0.2 equiv), **[RhCp*(Cl)₂]₂** (9.3 mg, 0.015 mmol, 0.075 equiv), and **AgSbF₆** (20.6 mg, 0.06 mmol, 0.3 equiv) in anhydrous TFE was stirred at room temperature, until completion of reaction indicated by TLC. At ambient temperature the solvent was evaporated on vacuo and the resulting crude reaction mixture was purified on a silica gel column using a flash column.

Characterization data for amidation of ketones:***N*-(2-Acetyl-5-methylphenyl) benzamide 3aa:**

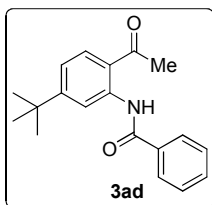
Purified by silica gel (230-400) flash column chromatography (8-10% EtOAc in petroleum ether); white solid (32 mg, 0.126 mmol, 64% yield); $R_f = 0.2$; m.p. 127-129 °C; **FT-IR (Thin film):** 2917 (m), 1645 (m), 1581 (s), 1536 (s), 1451 (s), 1248 (s); **$^1\text{H-NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3):** δ 12.76 (s, 1H), 8.84 (s, 1H), 8.07 (d, $J = 7.17$ Hz, 2H), 7.83 (d, $J = 8.07$ Hz, 1H), 7.50-7.56 (m, 3H), 6.96 (d, $J = 7.91$ Hz, 1H), 2.68 (s, 3H), 2.44 (s, 3H); **$^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (100 MHz, CDCl_3):** δ 202.9, 166.3, 147.0, 141.6, 135.0, 132.1, 132.0, 128.9, 127.6, 123.6, 121.2, 119.8, 28.6, 22.4; **HRMS (ESI+):** Calcd. for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{15}\text{NO}_2\text{Na}$ ($[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$): 276.1000, Found: 276.1000

***N*-(2-Acetylphenyl) benzamide 3ab:**

Purified by silica gel (230-400) flash column chromatography (6-8% EtOAc in petroleum ether); yellow solid (30 mg, 0.124 mmol, 62% yield); $R_f = 0.2$; m.p. 92-94 °C; **FT-IR (Thin film):** 3226 (broad), 2925 (m), 1679 (m), 1650 (s), 1584 (s), 1525 (s), 1249 (s); **$^1\text{H-NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3):** δ 12.71 (s, 1H), 8.98 (d, $J = 8.62$ Hz, 1H), 8.07 (d, $J = 7.60$ Hz, 2H), 7.95 (d, $J = 7.83$ Hz, 1H), 7.50-7.64 (m, 4H), 7.15 (t, $J = 7.73$ Hz, 1H), 2.71 (s, 3H); **$^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (100 MHz, CDCl_3):** δ 203.4, 166.3, 141.5, 135.5, 134.9, 132.1, 132.0, 128.9, 127.6, 122.6, 122.1, 120.9; **HRMS (ESI+):** Calcd. for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{13}\text{NO}_2\text{Na}$ ($[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$): 262.0844, Found: 262.0845

***N*-(2-Acetyl-5-ethylphenyl) benzamide 3ac:**

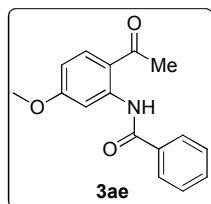
Purified by silica gel (230-400) flash column chromatography (4-5% EtOAc in petroleum ether); off white solid 33 mg, 0.122 mmol, 61% yield); $R_f = 0.5$; m.p. 138-140 °C; **FT-IR (Thin film):** 3438 (broad), 2925 (m), 1671 (m), 1644 (s), 1579 (s), 1454 (s); **$^1\text{H-NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3):** δ 12.78 (s, 1H), 8.87 (s, 1H), 8.07-8.09 (m, 2H), 7.86 (d, $J = 8.19$ Hz, 1H), 7.50-7.56 (m, 3H), 6.99 (d, $J = 8.19$ Hz, 1H), 2.74 (q, $J = 7.54$ Hz, 2H), 2.68 (s, 3H), 1.29 (t, $J = 7.64$ Hz, 3H); **$^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (100 MHz, CDCl_3):** δ 202.9, 166.3, 153.1, 141.8, 135.0, 132.2, 132.1, 128.9, 127.6, 122.4, 120.1, 120.0, 29.6, 28.6, 15.2; **HRMS (ESI+):** Calcd. for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{17}\text{NO}_2\text{Na}$ ($[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$): 268.1157, Found: 268.1154

***N*-(2-Propionylphenyl) benzamide 3ad:**

Purified by silica gel (230-400) flash column chromatography (5-6% EtOAc in petroleum ether); off white solid (36 mg, 0.122 mmol, 62% yield); $R_f = 0.5$; m.p. 154-156 °C; **FT-IR (Thin film):** 3429 (broad), 2964 (s), 1669 (s), 1651 (s), 1577 (s), 1447 (s); **$^1\text{H-NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3):** δ 12.76 (s, 1H), 9.11 (s, 1H), 8.08 (d, $J = 7.48$ Hz, 2H), 7.89 (dd, $J = 8.32$ Hz & 1.12 Hz, 1H), 7.50-7.57 (m, 3H), 7.18 (d, $J = 8.40$ Hz, 1H), 2.68 (s, 3H), 1.38 (s, 9H); **$^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (100 MHz, CDCl_3):** δ 202.9, 166.4, 159.9, 141.7, 135.1, 132.1, 131.9, 128.9, 127.6,

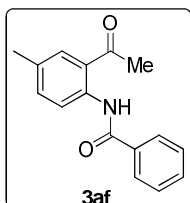
119.9, 119.8, 117.9, 35.8, 31.1, 28.6; **HRMS (ESI+)**: Calcd. for $C_{19}H_{21}NO_2Na$ ($[M+Na]^+$): 318.1468, Found: 318.1470

***N*-(2-Acetyl-5-methylphenyl) benzamide 3ae:**



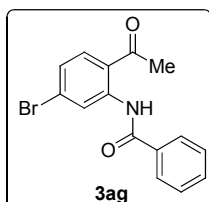
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***N*-(2-acetyl-4-methylphenyl) benzamide 3af:**



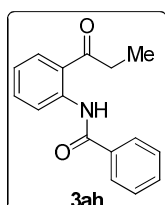
Purified by silica gel (230-400) flash column chromatography (5-6% EtOAc in petroleum ether); off white solid (22 mg, 0.087 mmol, 44% yield); $R_f = 0.4$; m.p. 123-125 °C; **FT-IR (Thin film)**: 3431 (s), 2361 (m), 1649 (s), 1532 (s); **1H -NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$)**: δ 12.59 (s, 1H), 8.86 (d, $J = 8.65$ Hz, 1H), 8.06 (d, $J = 7.73$ Hz, 2H), 7.73 (s, 1H), 7.50-7.55 (m, 3H), 7.43 (d, $J = 8.63$ Hz, 1H), 7.26 (s, 1H), 2.70 (s, 3H), 2.39 (s, 3H); **^{13}C -NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$)**: δ 203.4, 166.1, 139.2, 136.3, 135.0, 132.1, 132.0, 128.9, 127.6, 122.1, 120.9, 28.8, 21.0; **HRMS (ESI+)**: Calcd. for $C_{16}H_{15}NO_2H$ ($[M+H]^+$): 254.1181, Found: 254.1181

***N*-(2-acetyl-5-bromophenyl) benzamide 3ag:**



Purified by silica gel (230-400) flash column chromatography (6-8% EtOAc in petroleum ether); white solid (24 mg, 0.075 mmol, 38% yield); $R_f = 0.2$; m.p. 166-168 °C; **FT-IR (Thin film)**: 3398 (broad), 2919 (m), 1677 (s), 1647 (s), 1574 (s), 1233 (s); **1H -NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$)**: δ 12.74 (s, 1H), 9.26 (s, 1H), 8.05 (d, $J = 7.80$ Hz, 2H), 7.79 (d, $J = 8.45$ Hz, 1H), 7.51-7.58 (m, 3H), 7.28 (d, $J = 8.56$ Hz, 1H), 2.69 (s, 3H); **^{13}C -NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$)**: δ 202.7, 166.3, 142.4, 134.4, 132.9, 132.4, 130.6, 129.0, 127.6, 125.8, 123.8, 120.6, 28.8; **HRMS (ESI+)**: Calcd. for $C_{15}H_{12}BrNO_2Na$ ($[M+Na]^+$): 339.9949, Found: 339.9992

***N*-(2-Propionylphenyl) benzamide 3ah:**

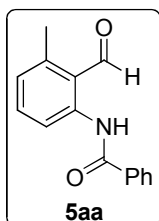


Purified by silica gel (230-400) flash column chromatography (8-10% EtOAc in petroleum ether); off white solid (23 mg, 0.920 mmol, 46% yield); $R_f = 0.2$; m.p. 127-129 °C; **FT-IR (Thin film)**: 3445 (s), 2096 (m), 1644 (s), 1210 (m); **1H -NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$)**: δ 12.74 (s, 1H), 8.97 (d, $J = 8.55$ Hz, 1H), 8.07-8.09 (m, 2H), 7.99 (d, $J = 8.05$ Hz, 1H), 7.52-7.63 (m, 4H), 7.16 (t, $J = 7.93$ Hz, 1H), 3.11 (q, $J = 7.26$ Hz, 2H), 1.26 (t, $J = 7.17$ Hz, 3H); **^{13}C -NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$)**: δ 205.9, 166.3, 141.4, 135.1, 135.0, 132.1, 130.9, 129.0, 127.6,

122.6, 121.9, 121.1, 33.4, 8.8; **HRMS (ESI+)**: Calcd. for $C_{16}H_{15}NO_2Na$ ($[M+Na]^+$): 276.1000, Found: 276.1003

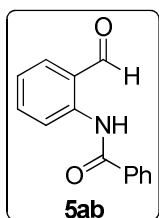
Characterization data for amidation of aldehyde:

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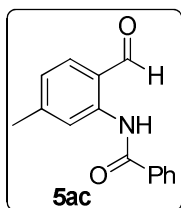
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***N*-(2-Formylphenyl) benzamide 5ab:**



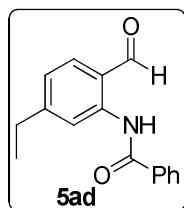
Purified by silica gel flash column chromatography (2-3% EtOAc in petroleum ether); white solid (34 mg, 0.150 mmol, 75% yield); $R_f = 0.3$, m.p. 110-112 °C; **FT-IR (Thin film)**: 3401 (broad), 2339 (m), 1653 (s), 1588 (m); **1H -NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$)**: δ 12.0 (bs, 1H), 9.90 (s, 1H), 8.87 (d, $J = 8.15$ Hz, 1H), 7.97-7.99 (m, 2H), 7.56-7.64 (m, 2H), 7.43-7.49 (m, 3H), 7.17 (t, $J = 7.45$ Hz, 1H); **^{13}C -NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$)**: δ 196.0, 166.3, 141.3, 136.5, 136.3, 134.4, 132.3, 129.0, 127.6, 123.2, 122.1, 120.0; **HRMS (ESI+)**: calcd. for $C_{14}H_{11}NO_2Na$ ($[M+Na]^+$): 248.0687, found: 248.0688

***N*-(2-Formyl-5-methylphenyl) benzamide 5ac:**



Purified by silica gel flash column chromatography (2-3% EtOAc in petroleum ether); off white solid (34 mg, 0.142 mmol, 71% yield); $R_f = 0.3$, m.p. 135-137 °C; **FT-IR (Thin film)**: 3241 (broad), 2852 (m), 1681 (s), 1659 (s), 1620 (s), 1578 (s); **1H -NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$)**: δ 12.11 (bs, 1H), 9.92 (s, 1H), 8.80 (s, 1H), 8.07 (d, $J = 6.86$ Hz, 2H), 7.51-7.60 (m, 4H), 7.06 (d, $J = 7.77$ Hz, 1H), 2.47 (s, 3H); **^{13}C -NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$)**: δ 195.4, 166.3, 148.4, 141.3, 136.4, 134.5, 132.3, 129.0, 127.6, 124.2, 120.5, 120.1, 22.7; **HRMS (ESI+)**: calcd. for $C_{15}H_{13}NO_2Na$ ($[M+Na]^+$): 262.0844, found: 262.0848

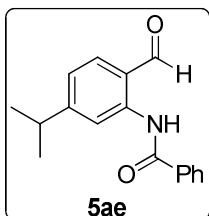
***N*-(5-Ethyl-2-formylphenyl) benzamide 5ad:**



Purified by silica gel flash column chromatography (2-3% EtOAc in petroleum ether); off white solid (36 mg, 0.142 mmol, 71% yield); $R_f = 0.3$, m.p. 56-58 °C; **FT-IR (Thin film)**: 2930 (m), 1663 (s), 1578 (s), 1533 (s), 1440 (s); **1H -NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$)**: δ 12.13 (bs, 1H), 9.93 (s, 1H), 8.84 (s, 1H), 8.06-8.09 (m, 2H), 7.62 (d, $J = 7.77$ Hz, 1H), 7.51-7.58 (m, 3H), 7.08-7.11 (m, 1H), 2.76 (q, $J = 7.73$ Hz, 2H), 1.30 (t, $J = 7.62$ Hz, 3H); **^{13}C -NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$)**: δ 195.4, 166.3, 148.4, 141.3, 136.4, 134.5, 132.3, 129.0, 127.6, 124.2, 120.5, 120.1, 22.7; **HRMS (ESI+)**: calcd. for $C_{17}H_{17}NO_2Na$ ($[M+Na]^+$): 284.1000, found: 284.1003

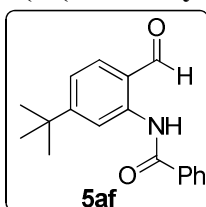
CDCl₃): δ 195.4, 166.3, 154.4, 141.5, 136.5, 134.5, 129.0, 127.6, 123.0, 120.3, 119.4, 29.9, 15.2; **HRMS (ESI+)**: calcd. for C₁₆H₁₅NO₂Na ([M+Na]⁺): 276.1000, found: 276.1002

***N*-(2-Formyl-5-isopropylphenyl) benzamide 5ae:**



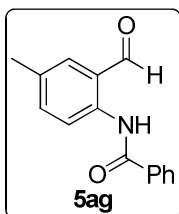
Purified by silica gel flash column chromatography (2-3% EtOAc in petroleum ether); yellow oil (38 mg, 0.142 mmol, 72% yield): R_f = 0.5; **FT-IR (thin film)**: 3278 (broad), 2963 (m), 2336 (m), 1662 (s), 1617 (m), 1577 (s); **¹H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ 12.14 (bs, 1H), 9.94 (s, 1H), 8.88 (s, 1H), 8.08 (d, J = 6.95 Hz, 2H), 7.65 (d, J = 7.87 Hz, 1H), 7.52-7.58 (m, 3H), 7.14 (d, J = 7.83 Hz, 1H), 3.04 (m, 1H), 1.31-1.33 (m, 6H); **¹³C-NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ 195.4, 159.0, 141.7, 136.6, 134.6, 132.3, 129.0, 127.7, 121.6, 120.6, 118.3, 35.2, 29.8, 23.6; **HRMS (ESI+)**: calcd. for C₁₇H₁₇NO₂Na ([M+Na]⁺): 290.1157, found: 290.1155

***N*-(5-(Tert-butyl)-2-formylphenyl) benzamide 5af:**



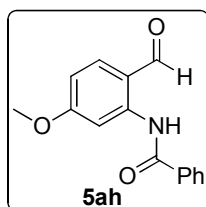
Purified by silica gel flash column chromatography (3-4% EtOAc in petroleum ether); off white solid (36 mg, 0.128 mmol, 64% yield); R_f = 0.4, m.p. 110-112 °C; **FT-IR (Thin film)**: 3278 (broad), 2962 (m), 1726 (m), 1664 (s), 1577 (s), 1271 (s); **¹H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ 12.12 (s, 1H), 9.95 (s, 1H), 9.09 (s, 1H), 8.08-8.09 (m, 2H), 7.65 (d, J = 7.96 Hz, 1H), 7.54-7.55 (m, 3H), 7.29 (d, J = 7.66 Hz, 1H), 1.40 (s, 9H); **¹³C-NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ 195.4, 166.6, 161.2, 141.4, 136.2, 134.6, 132.3, 129.0, 127.6, 120.6, 120.1, 117.3, 36.0, 31.1; **HRMS (ESI+)**: calcd. for C₁₈H₁₉NO₂Na ([M+Na]⁺): 304.1313, found: 304.1314

***N*-(2-Formyl-4-methylphenyl) benzamide 5ag:**

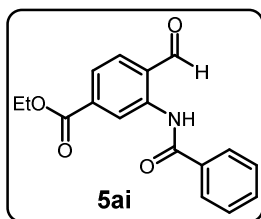


Purified by silica gel flash column chromatography (2-3% EtOAc in petroleum ether); off white solid (31 mg, 0.13 mmol, 65% yield); R_f = 0.3, m.p. 120-122 °C; **FT-IR (Thin film)**: 2870 (m), 1663 (s), 1599 (s), 1532 (m), 1152 (m); **¹H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ 11.99 (bs, 1H), 9.95 (s, 1H), 8.84 (d, J = 8.52 Hz, 1H), 8.05-8.07 (m, 2H), 7.47-7.59 (m, 5H), 2.41 (s, 3H); **¹³C-NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ 196.1, 166.1, 139.0, 137.3, 136.5, 134.5, 132.9, 132.2, 129.0, 127.6, 122.1, 120.1, 20.7; **HRMS (ESI+)**: calcd. for C₁₅H₁₃NO₂Na ([M+Na]⁺): 262.0844, found: 262.0843

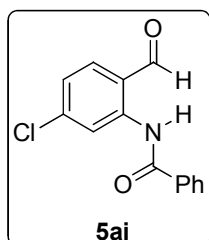
***N*-(2-Formyl-5-methoxyphenyl) benzamide 5ah:**



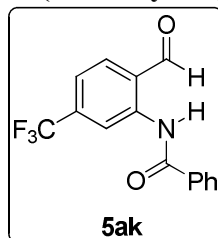
Purified by silica gel flash column chromatography (2-3% EtOAc in petroleum ether); off white solid (29 mg, 0.114 mmol, 57% yield); R_f = 0.2, m.p. 119-121 °C; **FT-IR (Thin film)**: 3222 (broad), 1656 (m), 1618 (s), 1579 (m), 1268 (m), 1209 (s); **¹H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ 12.39 (bs, 1H), 9.82 (s, 1H), 8.60 (s, 1H), 8.07-8.08 (m, 2H), 7.54-7.60 (m, 4H), 6.75 (d, J = 7.84 Hz, 1H), 3.95 (s, 3H); **¹³C-NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ 194.0, 166.6, 166.2, 143.9, 138.2, 134.3, 132.4, 129.0, 127.7, 116.2, 110.7, 103.8, 56.0; **HRMS (ESI+)**: calcd. for C₁₅H₁₃NO₃Na ([M+Na]⁺): 278.0793, found: 278.0790

Ethyl 3-benzamido-4-formylbenzoate 5ai:

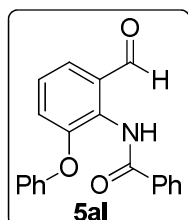
Purified by silica gel flash column chromatography (6-8% EtOAc in petroleum ether); white solid (35 mg, 0.118 mmol, 59% yield); $R_f = 0.2$, m.p. 98-100 °C; **FT-IR (Thin film)**: 3436 (broad), 1712 (s), 1662 (s), 1579 (s), 1405 (s); **$^1\text{H-NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3)**: δ 12.02 (bs, 1H), 10.07 (s, 1H), 9.55 (s, 1H), 8.05-8.07 (m, 2H), 7.91 (dd, $J = 7.94$ & 1.35 Hz, 1H), 7.81 (d, $J = 8.01$, 1H), 7.52-7.61 (m, 3H), 4.43 (q, $J = 7.07$ Hz, 2H), 1.43 (t, $J = 7.34$ Hz, 3H); **$^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (100 MHz, CDCl_3)**: δ 195.8, 166.2, 165.5, 141.3, 137.2, 136.0, 134.1, 132.5, 129.1, 127.6, 124.2, 123.9, 121.1, 62.0, 14.4; **HRMS (ESI+)**: calcd. for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{15}\text{NO}_4\text{Na}$ ($[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$): 320.0899, found: 320.0898

***N*-(5-Chloro-2-formylphenyl) benzamide 5aj:**

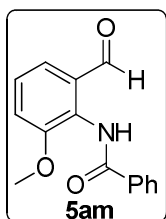
Purified by silica gel flash column chromatography (2-3% EtOAc in petroleum ether); white solid (25 mg, 0.098 mmol, 48% yield); $R_f = 0.3$, m.p. 158-160 °C; **FT-IR (Thin film)**: 3457 (broad), 2854 (m), 2336 (m), 1665 (s), 1610 (s), 1577 (s), 1271 (s); **$^1\text{H-NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3)**: δ 12.15 (s, 1H), 9.95 (s, 1H), 9.05 (s, 1H), 8.06 (d, $J = 6.88$ Hz, 2H), 7.55-7.66 (m, 4H), 7.22-7.26 (m, 1H); **$^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (100 MHz, CDCl_3)**: δ 194.9, 166.3, 143.3, 142.2, 137.2, 134.0, 132.6, 129.1, 127.7, 123.5, 120.4, 120.3; **HRMS (ESI+)**: calcd. for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{10}\text{ClNO}_2\text{Na}$ ($[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$): 282.0298, found: 282.0313

***N*-(2-Formyl-5-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl) benzamide 5ak:**

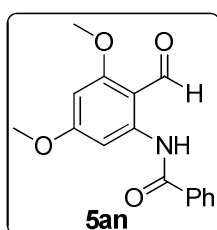
Purified by silica gel flash column chromatography (2-3% EtOAc in petroleum ether); white solid (33 mg, 0.115 mmol, 57% yield); $R_f = 0.3$, m.p. 124-126 °C; **FT-IR (Thin film)**: 2923 (s), 1670 (s), 1587 (s), 1332 (s), 1126 (s); **$^1\text{H-NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3)**: δ 12.13 (s, 1H), 10.09 (s, 1H), 9.33 (s, 1H), 8.07 (d, $J = 7.27$ Hz, 2H), 7.88 (d, $J = 8.00$ Hz, 1H), 7.51-7.62 (m, 4H); **$^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (100 MHz, CDCl_3)**: δ 195.5, 166.4, 141.7, 137.6, 137.3, 136.6, 133.9, 132.8, 129.2, 127.7, 123.7, 119.6, 117.5; **HRMS (ESI+)**: calcd. for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{10}\text{F}_3\text{NO}_2\text{Na}$ ($[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$): 316.0561, found: 316.0562

***N*-(2-Formyl-4-phenoxyphenyl) benzamide 5al:**

Purified by silica gel flash column chromatography (2-3% EtOAc in petroleum ether); light yellow solid (38 mg, 0.120 mmol, 60% yield); $R_f = 0.3$, m.p. 136-138 °C; **FT-IR (Thin film)**: 3401 (m), 1665 (s), 1590 (s), 1529 (s), 1257 (s); **$^1\text{H-NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3)**: δ 11.94 (bs, 1H), 9.89 (s, 1H), 8.97 (d, $J = 7.65$ Hz, 1H), 8.06 (d, $J = 7.07$ Hz, 2H), 7.52-7.60 (m, 3H), 7.36-7.40 (m, 4H), 7.15 (t, $J = 7.28$ Hz, 1H), 7.03 (d, $J = 7.83$ Hz, 2H); **$^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (100 MHz, CDCl_3)**: δ 195.3, 166.0, 157.0, 152.6, 137.0, 134.4, 132.3, 130.1, 129.0, 127.6, 127.3, 125.2, 123.9, 123.1, 122.0, 118.8; **HRMS (ESI+)**: calcd. for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{15}\text{NO}_3\text{Na}$ ($[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$): 340.0950, found: 340.0948

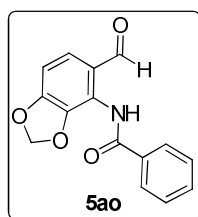
***N*-(2-Formyl-4-methoxyphenyl) benzamide 5am:**

Purified by silica gel flash column chromatography (7% EtOAc in petroleum ether); light yellow solid (35 mg, 0.137 mmol, 69% yield); $R_f = 0.2$, m.p. 130-132 °C; **FT-IR (Thin film):** 3303 (broad), 1668 (s), 1600 (s), 1542 (s), 1285 (s); **$^1\text{H-NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3):** δ 11.84 (bs, 1H), 9.96 (s, 1H), 8.91 (d, $J = 8.92$ Hz, 1H), 8.05 (d, $J = 8.92$ Hz, 2H), 7.53-7.55 (m, 3H), 7.21-7.26 (m, 2H), 3.88 (s, 3H); **$^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (100 MHz, CDCl_3):** δ 195.7, 165.9, 155.3, 135.0, 134.6, 132.2, 129.0, 127.5, 122.9, 122.4, 121.8, 119.9, 55.9; **HRMS (ESI+):** calcd. for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{13}\text{NO}_3\text{Na}$ ($[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$): 278.0793, found: 278.0795

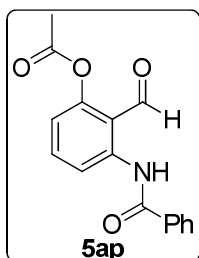
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Purified by silica gel flash column chromatography (5-6% EtOAc in petroleum ether); off white solid (33 mg, 0.116 mmol, 58% yield); $R_f = 0.3$, m.p. 109-111 °C; **FT-IR (Thin film):** 3444 (broad), 2335 (s), 1680 (m), 1637 (s), 1578 (m); **$^1\text{H-NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3):** δ 12.97 (bs, 1H), 10.32 (s, 1H), 8.21 (s, 1H), 8.07-8.08 (m, 2H), 7.51-7.53 (m, 3H), 6.14 (s, 1H), 3.92 (s, 3H), 3.86 (s, 3H); **$^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (100 MHz, CDCl_3):** δ 191.6, 167.7, 166.7, 164.7, 145.2, 134.5, 132.3, 128.9, 127.7, 106.1, 95.8, 93.8, 55.9, 55.9;

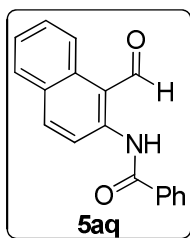
HRMS (ESI+): calcd. for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{15}\text{NO}_4\text{Na}$ ($[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$): 308.0899, found: 308.0899

***N*-(6-Formylbenzo[d][1,3]dioxol-5-yl) benzamide 5ao:**

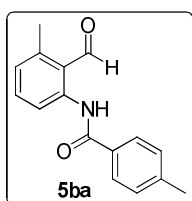
Purified by silica gel flash column chromatography (10-15% EtOAc in petroleum ether); yellow solid (23 mg, 0.086 mmol, 43% yield); $R_f = 0.1$; m.p. 117-119 °C; **FT-IR (Thin film):** 3289 (broad), 2917 (m), 1669 (m), 1464 (s), 1266 (s); **$^1\text{H-NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3):** δ 10.88 (s, 1H), 9.80 (s, 1H), 8.04 (d, $J = 7.19$ Hz, 2H), 7.57 (t, $J = 7.13$ Hz, 1H), 7.51 (t, $J = 6.98$ Hz, 2H), 7.32 (d, $J = 8.09$ Hz, 1H), 6.83 (d, $J = 8.11$ Hz, 1H), 6.19 (s, 2H); **$^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (100 MHz, CDCl_3):** δ 193.4, 164.5, 154.8, 140.3, 133.3, 133.0, 132.3, 128.7, 127.9, 122.2, 121.7, 104.9, 102.6; **HRMS (ESI+):** Calcd. for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{11}\text{NO}_4\text{Na}$ ($[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$): 292.0586, Found: 292.0589

3-Benzamido-2-formylphenyl acetate 5ap:

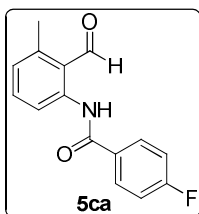
Purified by silica gel flash column chromatography (7-8% EtOAc in petroleum ether); off white solid (28 mg, 0.099 mmol, 50% yield); $R_f = 0.2$, m.p. 130-132 °C; **FT-IR (Thin film):** 3296 (broad), 2335 (m), 1762 (s), 1656 (s), 1464 (s), 1203 (s); **$^1\text{H-NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3):** δ 12.35 (bs, 1H), 10.29 (s, 1H), 8.86 (d, $J = 8.46$ Hz, 1H), 8.06 (d, $J = 7.35$ Hz, 2H), 7.67 (t, $J = 8.15$ Hz, 1H), 7.52-7.59 (m, 3H), 6.91 (d, $J = 8.11$ Hz, 1H), 2.41 (s, 3H); **$^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (100 MHz, CDCl_3):** δ 192.1, 169.0, 166.4, 154.6, 142.7, 137.5, 134.4, 132.5, 129.0, 127.7, 118.0, 117.1, 114.3, 21.0; **HRMS (ESI+):** calcd. for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{13}\text{NO}_4\text{Na}$ ($[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$): 306.0742, found: 306.0744

***N*-(1-Formylnaphthalen-2-yl) benzamide 5aq:**

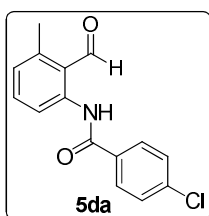
Purified by silica gel flash column chromatography (3-4% EtOAc in petroleum ether); yellow solid (43 mg, 0.156 mmol, 78% yield); $R_f = 0.4$, m.p. 204-206 °C; **FT-IR (Thin film)**: 3402 (broad), 2361 (m), 1679 (s), 1647 (s), 1590 (s); **$^1\text{H-NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3)**: δ 13.14 (s, 1H), 11.08 (s, 1H), 9.16 (d, $J = 9.22$ Hz, 1H), 8.48 (d, $J = 8.64$ Hz, 1H), 8.11-8.15 (m, 3H), 7.87 (d, $J = 8.09$ Hz, 1H), 7.48-7.66 (m, 5H); **$^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (100 MHz, CDCl_3)**: δ 193.2, 166.8, 143.2, 138.0, 134.5, 133.8, 132.5, 129.7, 129.6, 129.2, 129.1, 127.9, 125.4, 119.9, 119.3, 113.0; **HRMS (ESI+)**: calcd. for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{13}\text{NO}_2\text{Na}$ ($[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$): 298.0844, found: 298.0845

***N*-(2-Formyl-3-methylphenyl)-4-methylbenzamide 5ba:**

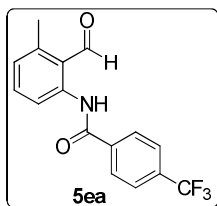
Purified by silica gel flash column chromatography (2-3% EtOAc in petroleum ether); white solid (29 mg, 0.115 mmol, 57% yield); $R_f = 0.3$, m.p. 115-117 °C; **FT-IR (Thin film)**: 3423 (broad), 2336 (m), 1655 (s), 1608 (s), 1463 (s), 1395 (s), 1271 (s); **$^1\text{H-NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3)**: δ 12.52 (bs, 1H), 10.51 (s, 1H), 8.82 (d, $J = 8.51$ Hz, 1H), 7.97 (d, $J = 8.13$ Hz, 2H), 7.51 (t, $J = 7.82$ Hz, 1H), 7.32 (d, $J = 8.21$ Hz, 2H), 6.95 (d, $J = 7.46$ Hz, 1H), 2.69 (s, 3H), 2.43 (s, 3H); **$^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (100 MHz, CDCl_3)**: δ 194.9, 166.4, 143.4, 142.8, 142.3, 136.7, 131.9, 129.6, 127.7, 125.9, 119.6, 118.6, 21.7, 19.4; **HRMS (ESI+)**: calcd. for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{15}\text{NO}_2\text{Na}$ ($[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$): 276.1000, Found: 276.1000

4-Fluoro-*N*-(2-formyl-3-methylphenyl) benzamide 5ca:

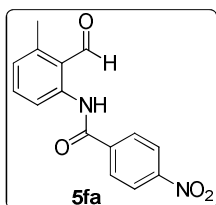
Purified by silica gel flash column chromatography (3-4% EtOAc in petroleum ether); yellow solid (32 mg, 0.125 mmol, 62% yield); $R_f = 0.4$, m.p. 135-137 °C; **FT-IR (Thin film)**: 1650 (s), 1600 (s), 1500 (s), 1457 (s), 1389 (s); **$^1\text{H-NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3)**: δ 12.54 (bs, 1H), 10.51 (s, 1H), 8.78 (d, $J = 7.57$ Hz, 1H), 8.07-8.10 (m, 2H), 7.53 (t, $J = 8.49$ Hz, 1H), 7.20 (t, $J = 8.41$ Hz, 2H), 6.97 (d, $J = 7.37$ Hz, 1H), 2.70 (s, 3H); **$^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (100 MHz, CDCl_3)**: δ 195.0, 166.5, 165.2, 164.0, 143.6, 142.2, 136.8, 131.0, 131.0, 130.2, 130.1, 130.1, 126.2, 119.7, 118.6, 116.1, 115.9, 19.4; **HRMS (ESI+)**: calcd. for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{12}\text{FNO}_2\text{Na}$ ($[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$): 280.0750, found: 280.0752

4-Chloro-*N*-(2-formyl-3-methylphenyl) benzamide 5da:

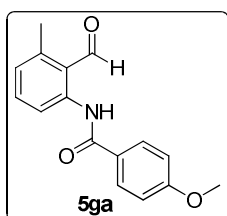
Purified by silica gel flash column chromatography (2-3% EtOAc in petroleum ether); white solid (33 mg, 0.122 mmol, 61% yield); $R_f = 0.3$, m.p. 136-138 °C; **FT-IR (Thin film)**: 2925 (w), 2362 (w), 1680 (s), 1609 (s), 1463 (s), 1190 (s); **$^1\text{H-NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3)**: δ 12.56 (bs, 1H), 10.50 (s, 1H), 8.78 (d, $J = 8.60$ Hz, 1H), 8.00 (d, $J = 8.61$ Hz, 2H), 7.47-7.54 (m, 3H), 6.97 (d, $J = 7.51$ Hz, 1H), 2.70 (s, 3H); **$^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (100 MHz, CDCl_3)**: δ 195.0, 165.2, 143.6, 142.0, 138.6, 136.8, 133.1, 129.2, 129.1, 126.3, 119.7, 118.6, 19.4; **HRMS (ESI+)**: calcd. for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{12}\text{ClNO}_2\text{Na}$ ($[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$): 296.0454, found: 296.0457

***N*-(2-Formyl-3-methylphenyl)-4-(trifluoromethyl) benzamide 5ea:**

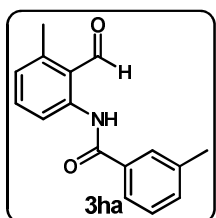
Purified by silica gel flash column chromatography (2-3% EtOAc in petroleum ether); off white solid (45 mg, 0.147 mmol, 73% yield); m.p. 142-144 °C; **FT-IR (Thin film):** 1678 (s), 1608 (w), 1575 (s), 1462 (s), 1116 (s); **¹H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ 12.65 (bs, 1H), 10.50 (s, 1H), 8.78 (d, *J* = 8.33 Hz, 1H), 8.17 (d, *J* = 7.31 Hz, 2H), 7.78 (d, *J* = 7.93 Hz, 2H), 7.52-7.56 (m, 1H), 6.99-7.00 (m, 1H), 2.71 (s, 3H); **¹³C-NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ 195.1, 164.9, 143.7, 141.8, 138.0, 136.9, 133.9, 133.6, 128.1, 126.6, 126.0, 126.0, 125.2, 122.4, 119.7, 118.7, 19.4; **HRMS (ESI⁺):** calcd. for C₁₆H₁₂F₃NO₂Na ([M+Na]⁺): 330.0718, found: 330.0718

***N*-(2-Formyl-3-methylphenyl)-4-nitrobenzamide 5fa:**

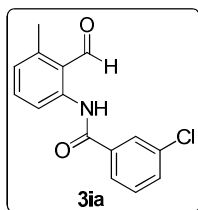
Purified by silica gel flash column chromatography (8-10% EtOAc in petroleum ether); yellow solid (44 mg, 0.155 mmol, 77% yield); *R_f* = 0.1; m.p. 212-214 °C; **FT-IR (Thin film):** 3398 (m), 2920 (s), 1650 (s), 1542 (s), 1344; **¹H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ 12.73 (bs, 1H), 10.53 (s, 1H), 8.77 (s, 1H), 8.36 (s, 2H), 8.23 (s, 2H), 7.56 (s, 1H), 7.03 (s, 1H), 2.73 (s, 3H); **¹³C-NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ 195.3, 164.1, 150.0, 143.8, 141.6, 140.2, 137.0, 128.8, 126.9, 124.2, 119.8, 118.7, 19.4; **HRMS (ESI⁺):** calcd. for C₁₅H₁₂N₂O₄Na ([M+Na]⁺): 307.0695, found: 307.0698

***N*-(2-Formyl-3-methylphenyl)-4-methoxybenzamide 5ga:**

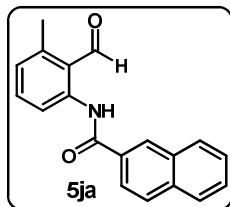
Purified by silica gel flash column chromatography (8-10% EtOAc in petroleum ether); yellow semisolid (5 mg, 0.019 mmol, 9% yield); *R_f* = 0.1; 3426 (broad), 2923 (m), 2363 (s), 1644 (s); **¹H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ 12.51 (bs, 1H), 10.53 (s, 1H), 8.82 (d, *J* = 8.69 Hz, 1H), 8.06 (d, *J* = 8.68 Hz, 2H), 7.52 (t, *J* = 8.06 Hz, 1H), 7.02 (d, *J* = 8.59 Hz, 2H), 6.96 (d, *J* = 7.66 Hz, 1H), 3.89 (s, 3H), 2.71 (s, 3H); **¹³C-NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ 194.9, 166.0, 162.9, 143.5, 142.6, 136.8, 129.7, 127.2, 125.8, 119.7, 118.7, 114.2, 55.6, 29.9; **HRMS (ESI⁺):** calcd. for C₁₆H₁₅NO₃Na ([M+Na]⁺): 292.0950, found: 292.0953.

***N*-(2-Formyl-3-methylphenyl)-3-methylbenzamide 5ha:**

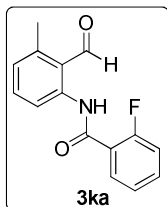
Purified by silica gel flash column chromatography (2-3% EtOAc in petroleum ether); white solid (30 mg, 0.118 mmol, 59% yield); *R_f* = 0.3, m.p. 124-126 °C; **FT-IR (Thin film):** 3424 (s), 2918 (m), 1648 (s), 1604 (s), 1270 (s), 1165 (s); **¹H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ 12.52 (bs, 1H), 10.52 (s, 1H), 8.82 (d, *J* = 8.61 Hz, 1H), 7.85-7.88 (m, 2H), 7.52 (t, *J* = 7.92 Hz, 1H), 7.37-7.44 (m, 2H), 6.96 (d, *J* = 7.35 Hz, 1H), 2.70 (s, 3H), 2.46 (s, 3H); **¹³C-NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ 194.8, 166.7, 143.5, 142.3, 138.8, 136.7, 134.8, 133.0, 128.8, 128.5, 126.0, 124.6, 119.7, 118.7, 21.6, 19.4; **HRMS (ESI⁺):** calcd. for C₁₆H₁₅NO₂Na ([M+Na]⁺): 276.1000, found: 276.1003

3-Chloro-*N*-(2-formyl-3-methylphenyl) benzamide 5ia:

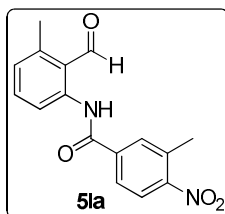
Purified by silica gel flash column chromatography (2-3% EtOAc in petroleum ether); white solid (35 mg, 0.128 mmol, 65% yield); $R_f = 0.3$; m.p. 142-144 °C; **FT-IR (Thin film)**: 3583 (broad), 2920 (m), 1672 (s), 1607 (s), 1572 (s), 1258 (s); **$^1\text{H-NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3)**: δ 12.56 (s, 1H), 10.51 (s, 1H), 8.77 (d, $J = 8.50$ Hz, 1H), 8.05 (s, 1H), 7.93 (d, $J = 7.58$ Hz, 1H), 7.52 (t, $J = 7.54$ Hz, 2H), 7.46 (t, $J = 7.90$ Hz, 1H), 6.98 (d, $J = 7.47$ Hz, 1H), 2.70 (s, 3H); **$^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (100 MHz, CDCl_3)**: δ 194.9, 164.9, 143.6, 141.9, 136.8, 136.5, 135.2, 132.2, 130.2, 128.3, 126.4, 125.4, 119.7, 118.7, 19.4; **HRMS (ESI+)**: Calcd. for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{12}\text{ClNO}_2\text{Na}$ ($[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$): 296.0453, Found: 296.0454

***N*-(2-Formyl-3-methylphenyl)-2-naphthamide 5ja:**

Purified by silica gel flash column chromatography (4-6% EtOAc in petroleum ether); white solid (21 mg, 0.158 mmol, 36% yield); $R_f = 0.4$; m.p. 150-152 °C; **FT-IR (Thin film)**: 3203 (broad), 3055 (s), 1676 (s), 1609 (s), 1576 (s), 1462 (s); **$^1\text{H-NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3)**: δ 12.74 (s, 1H), 10.55 (s, 1H), 8.88 (d, $J = 8.61$ Hz, 1H), 8.61 (bs, 1H), 8.13 (d, $J = 8.73$ Hz, 1H), 8.04 (d, $J = 7.83$ Hz, 1H), 7.98 (d, $J = 8.53$ Hz, 1H), 7.91 (d, $J = 7.50$ Hz, 1H), 7.54-7.62 (m, 3H), 6.99 (d, $J = 7.83$ Hz, 1H), 2.72 (s, 3H); **$^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (100 MHz, CDCl_3)**: δ 195.0, 166.5, 143.5, 142.3, 136.8, 135.2, 132.9, 132.0, 129.6, 128.9, 128.7, 128.2, 127.9, 126.9, 126.1, 123.9, 119.7, 118.8, 19.5; **HRMS (ESI+)**: calcd. for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{15}\text{NO}_2\text{Na}$ ($[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$): 312.1000, found: 312.1008

2-Fluoro-*N*-(2-formyl-3-methylphenyl) benzamide 5ka:

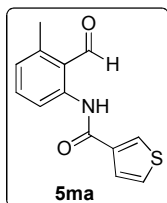
Purified by silica gel flash column chromatography (3-4% EtOAc in petroleum ether); white solid (32 mg, 0.125 mmol, 62% yield); $R_f = 0.3$; m.p. 126-128 °C; **FT-IR (Thin film)**: 3439 (broad), 2932 (m), 1651 (s), 1541 (s), 1273 (s); **$^1\text{H-NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3)**: 12.56 (s, 1H), 10.51 (s, 1H), 8.78 (d, $J = 7.83$ Hz, 1H), 7.84 (d, $J = 6.92$ Hz, 1H), 7.77 (d, $J = 8.41$ Hz, 1H), 7.51-7.54 (m, 2H), 7.26 (s, 1H), 6.98 (d, $J = 6.25$ Hz, 1H), 2.70 (s, 3H); **$^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (100 MHz, CDCl_3)**: δ 194.9, 164.9, 163.1 (d, $J = 248$ Hz), 143.6, 141.9, 137.1 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz), 136.8, 130.6 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz), 126.3, 122.9 (d, $J = 2.9$ Hz), 119.7, 119.2 (d, $J = 22$ Hz), 118.7, 115.2, 115.0, 19.3; **HRMS (ESI+)**: Calcd. for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{12}\text{FNO}_2\text{Na}$ ($[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$): 280.0751, Found: 280.0751

***N*-(2-Formyl-3-methylphenyl)-3-methyl-4-nitrobenzamide 5la:**

Purified by silica gel flash column chromatography (8-10% EtOAc in petroleum ether); yellow solid (46 mg, 0.155 mmol, 77% yield); $R_f = 0.1$; m.p. 203-205 °C; **FT-IR (Thin film)**: 2927 (m), 1680 (s), 1612 (s), 1523 (s), 1194; **$^1\text{H-NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3)**: δ 12.66 (bs, 1H), 10.52 (s, 1H), 8.76 (d, $J = 8.34$, 1H), 7.98-8.09 (m, 3H), 7.55 (t, $J = 8.24$ Hz, 1H), 7.02 (d, $J = 7.17$ Hz, 1H), 2.69-2.72 (m, 6H); **$^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (100 MHz, CDCl_3)**: δ 195.1,

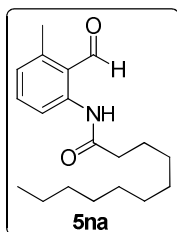
164.3, 151.2, 143.8, 141.6, 138.5, 136.9, 134.3, 132.4, 126.8, 125.9, 125.3, 119.8, 118.7, 20.6, 19.4; **HRMS (ESI+)**: calcd. for $C_{16}H_{14}N_2O_4Na$ ($[M+Na]^+$): 321.0847, found: 321.0851

***N*-(2-Formyl-3-methylphenyl) thiophene-3-carboxamide 5ma:**



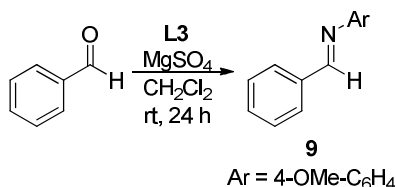
Purified by silica gel (230-400) flash column chromatography (10-12% EtOAc in petroleum ether); white solid (19 mg, 0.078 mmol, 39% yield); $R_f = 0.2$, m.p. 134-136 °C; **FT-IR (Thin film)**: 2917 (s), 1661 (m), 1609 (s), 1541 (s), 1268 (s); **1H -NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$)**: δ 12.44 (s, 1H), 10.49 (s, 1H), 8.75 (d, $J = 8.67$ Hz, 1H), 8.16 (s, 1H), 7.68-7.69 (m, 1H), 7.48-7.52 (m, 1H), 7.39-7.41 (m, 1H), 6.94 (d, $J = 7.51$ Hz, 1H), 2.68 (s, 3H); **^{13}C -NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$)**: δ 194.9, 161.8, 143.5, 142.2, 138.3, 136.8, 129.8, 126.9, 126.6, 125.9, 119.4, 118.5, 19.4; **HRMS (ESI+)**: Calcd. for $C_{13}H_{11}NO_2SNa$ ($[M+Na]^+$): 268.0415, Found: 268.0408

***N*-(2-Formyl-3-methylphenyl) undecanamide 5na:**



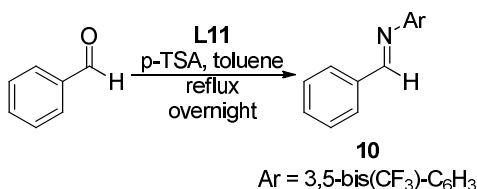
Purified by silica gel flash column chromatography (2-3% EtOAc in petroleum ether); yellow oil (45 mg, 0.149 mmol, 75% yield); $R_f = 0.5$; **FT-IR (Thin film)**: 3260 (broad), 2925 (s), 1702 (m), 1659 (s), 1606 (s), 1578 (s), 1465 (s); **1H -NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$)**: δ 11.61 (s, 1H), 10.43 (s, 1H), 8.61 (d, $J = 8.46$ Hz, 1H), 7.44 (t, $J = 8.22$ Hz, 1H), 6.90 (d, $J = 7.51$ Hz, 1H), 2.65 (s, 3H), 2.43 (t, $J = 7.81$ Hz, 2H), 1.74 (q, $J = 7.51$ Hz, 2H), 1.24-1.37 (m, 12H), 0.84-0.88 (m, 3H); **^{13}C -NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$)**: δ 194.5, 173.1, 143.2, 142.0, 136.5, 125.7, 119.2, 118.5, 38.9, 32.0, 29.5, 29.4, 29.4, 29.3, 25.6, 22.8, 19.3, 14.2; **HRMS (ESI+)**: Calcd. for $C_{18}H_{27}NO_2Na$ ($[M+Na]^+$): 312.1939, Found: 312.1937

Experimental procedure for the synthesis of imine (*E*)-1-(4-methoxystyryl)-2-methylbenzene **9**:⁴



In an oven and vacuum dried 50 mL single neck round bottom flask, 2-methyl benzaldehyde (0.6 g, 4.99 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and 4-methoxy aniline **L3** (0.61 g, 4.99 mmol, 1.0 equiv) were taken in 15 mL of dichloromethane in an argon atmosphere. To this 1.0 g of MgSO₄ was added and resulting reaction mixture was allowed to stir overnight at rt in an argon atmosphere. Reaction mixture was filtered through a Celite pad and resulting reaction mixture was purified by deactivated silica gel column chromatography. (10-12% EtOAc in petroleum ether); **9** yellow solid (1.06 g, 1.12 mmol, 95% yield); *R_f* = 0.5; ¹H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.75 (s, 1H), 8.06 (d, *J* = 7.73 Hz, 1H), 7.26-7.34 (m, 2H), 7.20-7.22 (m, 3H), 6.92 (d, *J* = 8.47 Hz, 2H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 2.56 (s, 3H); ¹³C-NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 158.3, 157.2, 145.7, 138.4, 134.4, 131.0, 130.8, 127.6, 126.4, 122.3, 114.5, 55.6, 19.5

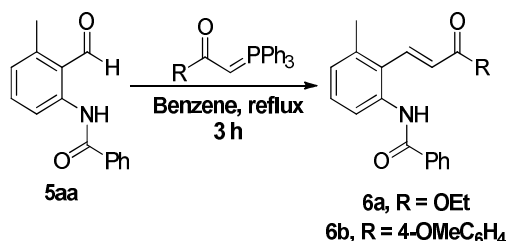
Experimental procedure for the synthesis of imine (*E*)-1-(2-methylstyryl)-3,5-bis(trifluoromethyl)benzene **10**:⁴



In an oven and vacuum dried 25 mL single neck round bottom flask, 2-methyl benzaldehyde (0.5 g, 4.16 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and **L11** (0.95 g, 4.16 mmol, 1.0 equiv) were taken in 10 mL of toluene in an Argon atmosphere. To this 4-methylbenzenesulfonic acid (15.0 mg, 0.085 mmol, 0.02 equiv) was added and the resulting reaction mixture was allowed to reflux overnight in an argon atmosphere. Reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and hexane was added to it, filtered through a Celite pad and the filtrate was evaporated on vacuo. Recrystallisation with hexane/dichloromethane (50:1) afforded **10** as a grey solid (1.06 g, 1.12 mmol, 95% yield); *R_f* = 0.8 (10% EtOAc/petroleum ether); ¹H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.72 (s, 1H), 8.04 (d, *J* = 7.71 Hz, 1H), 7.72 (s, 1H), 7.57 (s, 2H), 7.40 (t, *J* = 7.39 Hz, 1H), 7.31 (t, *J* = 7.62 Hz, 1H), 7.23-7.26 (m, 1H), 2.61 (s, 3H); ¹³C-NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 162.1, 154.1, 139.5, 133.3, 133.2, 132.8, 132.5, 132.2, 131.5, 128.7, 126.7, 124.8, 122.0, 121.2, 119.1, 19.7

Synthetic utility of the amidated product:

Experimental procedure for synthesis of olefinated compounds:

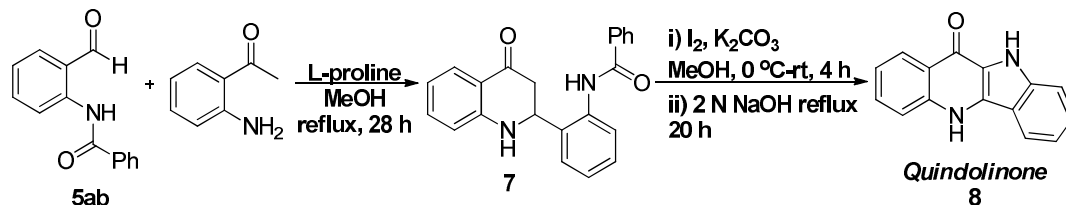


In an oven and vacuum dried 10 mL single neck round bottom, flask *N*-(2-formyl-3-methylphenyl) benzamide **5aa** (13.0 mg, 0.054 mmol, 1.0 equiv), stabilized Wittig ylide (21.0 mg, 0.06 mmol, 1.1 equiv) in anhydrous benzene (3 mL) equipped with a reflux condenser was allowed to reflux for 3 h. After the completion of reaction, the solvent was evaporated on vacuo and the resulting crude reaction mixture was purified on a silica gel column (100-200) to obtain (*E*)-Ethyl 3-(2-benzamido-6-methylphenyl) acrylate **6**.

Spectral data for compounds **6a** and **6b**:

(E)-Ethyl 3-(2-benzamido-6-methylphenyl) acrylate 6a: Purified by silica gel (100-200) flash column chromatography (12-14% EtOAc in petroleum ether); white solid (14 mg, 0.0453 mmol, 84% yield); $R_f = 0.1$; m.p. 158-160 °C; **FT-IR (Thin film):** 1644 (s), 2101 (s), 2362 (s), 3449 (broad); **¹H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ 8.10 (d, $J = 8.25$ Hz, 1H), 8.00 (bs, 1H), 7.79-7.84 (m, 3H), 7.55 (t, $J = 6.82$ Hz, 1H), 7.48 (t, $J = 7.87$ Hz, 2H), 7.30 (t, $J = 7.72$ Hz, 1H), 7.06 (d, $J = 7.55$ Hz, 1H), 6.25 (d, $J = 16.52$ Hz, 1H), 4.28 (q, $J = 7.07$ Hz, 2H), 2.35 (s, 3H), 1.33 (t, $J = 7.07$ Hz, 3H); **¹³C-NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ 166.1, 165.6, 140.8, 137.5, 135.3, 134.9, 132.1, 129.5, 129.0, 127.2, 127.0, 126.3, 125.7, 120.6, 61.0, 20.9, 14.4; **HRMS (ESI⁺):** Calcd. for C₁₉H₁₉NO₃Na ([M+Na]⁺): 332.1263, found: 332.1264

(E)-N-(2-(3-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-oxoprop-1-en-1-yl)-3-methylphenyl)benzamide 6b: Purified by silica gel (100-200) flash column chromatography (25-30% EtOAc in petroleum ether); off white solid (155 mg, 0.418 mmol, 83% yield); $R_f = 0.2$; m.p. 154-156 °C; **FT-IR (Thin film):** 3300 (broad), 2923 (m), 2392 (m), 1654 (s), 1602 (s), 1515 (s); **¹H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ 8.15 (bs, 1H), 8.10 (d, $J = 8.15$ Hz, 1H), 7.83-7.91 (m, 5H), 7.51 (t, $J = 7.31$ Hz, 1H), 7.29-7.42 (m, 4H), 7.08 (d, $J = 7.53$ Hz, 1H), 6.87 (d, $J = 8.83$ Hz, 2H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 2.38 (s, 3H); **¹³C-NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃):** δ 187.9, 165.6, 163.9, 139.6, 138.0, 135.4, 134.7, 132.1, 131.0, 130.4, 129.5, 129.0, 128.9, 127.2, 127.2, 127.1, 121.0, 114.1, 55.7, 20.9; **HRMS (ESI⁺):** Calcd. for C₂₄H₂₁NO₃Na ([M+Na]⁺): 394.1419, found: 394.1416

Experimental procedure for the synthesis of *Quindolinone* natural product:

In an oven and vacuum dried 25 mL single neck round bottom flask, 1-(2-aminophenyl)ethanone (128 mg, 0.948 mmol, 1.2 equiv) was dissolved in 4.0 mL methanol equipped with a reflux condenser in an argon atmosphere. To this was added **3aa** (178 mg, 0.790 mmol, 1.2 equiv). Subsequently L-proline (82 mg, 0.711 mmol, 0.9 equiv) was added portion wise over 2 batches and the resulting reaction mixture was allowed to reflux for 30 h. The reaction was monitored by TLC, cooled it to room temperature. The solvent was evaporated on vacuo and the resulting reaction mixture was quenched with saturated aq. NH₄Cl and extracted with EtOAc (15x3 mL). Combined organic layer was evaporated on vacuo and resulting crude reaction mixture was purified on a silica gel column (100-200) (30-35% EtOAc in petroleum ether); **7** yellow solid (121 mg, 0.353 mmol, 37% yield); *R_f* = 0.2; m.p. 92-94 °C; **FT-IR (Thin film)**: 3397 (broad), 3063 (m), 1653 (s), 1520 (s), 1155 (s); **¹H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ 9.85 (bs, 1H), 8.16 (d, *J* = 7.83 Hz, 1H), 7.88 (d, *J* = 7.78 Hz, 1H), 7.80 (d, *J* = 7.43 Hz, 2H), 7.29-7.47 (m, 7H), 7.17 (t, *J* = 7.65 Hz, 1H), 6.85-6.92 (m, 2H), 5.10 (bs, 1H), 4.88 (d, *J* = 14.69 Hz, 1H), 3.09 (t, *J* = 17.06 Hz, 1H), 2.68 (d, *J* = 16.63 Hz, 1H); **¹³C-NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃)**: δ 193.3, 165.6, 151.0, 136.8, 135.7, 134.2, 132.1, 130.3, 129.6, 128.9, 128.8, 127.9, 127.1, 125.6, 124.0, 120.2, 120.0, 116.9, 58.1, 43.4; **HRMS (ESI⁺)**: Calcd. for C₂₂H₁₈N₂O₂Na ([M+Na]⁺): 365.1266, found: 365.1262

In an oven and vacuum dried 25 mL single neck round bottom flask, *N*-(2-(4-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroquinolin-2-yl)phenyl) benzamide **6** (75 mg, 0.219 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and K₂CO₃ (67 mg, 0.482 mmol, 2.2 equiv.) were taken in 4 mL MeOH under in an argon atmosphere and cooled it to 0 °C. To this was added I₂ (83 mg, 0.657 mmol, 3.0 equiv.) directly and the resulting reaction mixture was slowly warmed to room temperature and stirred at rt for 4 h. To this aq. 2 N NaOH (until the pH of the solution in range of 7-8) was added and resulting reaction mixture was allowed to reflux overnight. The reaction mixture was cooled to rt and the methanol was evaporated on vacuo. The reaction mixture was quenched with saturated aq. Na₂S₂O₃ and extracted with EtOAc (10x3 mL), the combined organic layer was evaporated on vacuo and the crude reaction mixture was purified on a silica gel column. (100-200) (78% EtOAc + 2% MeOH in petroleum ether); **8** yellow solid (34 mg, 0.145 mmol, 66% yield); *R_f* = 0.1 (50% EtOAc in petroleum ether); m.p. >250 °C; **FT-IR (Thin film)**: 3399 (broad), 2875 (m), 2336 (m), 1628 (s), 1581 (s); **¹H-NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆)**: δ 12.48(s, 1H), 11.72 (s, 1H), 8.37 (d, *J* = 7.34 Hz, 1H), 8.20 (d, *J* = 6.97 Hz, 1H), 7.68-7.74 (m, 2H), 7.47-7.54 (m, 2H), 7.29 (s, 1H), 7.20 (s, 1H):

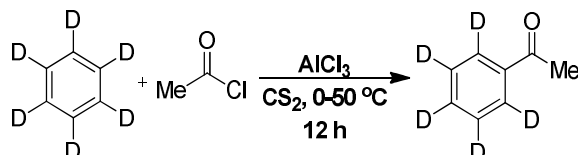
$^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (100 MHz, DMSO-d_6): δ 167.4, 139.1, 138.6, 130.7, 128.9, 127.4, 125.2, 123.1, 122.9, 120.9, 120.5, 118.9, 117.8, 115.9, 112.6; **HRMS (ESI+)**: Calcd. for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{10}\text{N}_2\text{OH}([\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+)$: 235.0871, found: 235.0875

Mechanistic studies:

Intramolecular competitive reaction of aldehyde with anilines:

In a 8 mL screw-cap reaction vial, benzaldehyde (61 mg, 0.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv), **L3** (61 mg, 0.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and **L11** (61 mg, 0.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv) were taken in 2.0 mL TFE solvent and allowed to stir at rt for 24 h. The reaction mixture was filtered through a Celite pad, the filtrate was evaporated on vacuo. The ratio of the imine formation was determined by crude $^1\text{H NMR}$ analysis (see $^1\text{H NMR}$ spectrum SI-113).

Synthesis of pentadeutero-acetophenone (deutrio **2b**):



In an oven and vacuum dried 25 mL single neck round bottom flask, benzene- d_6 (0.5 mL, 5.65 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and AlCl_3 (0.95 g, 7.85 mmol, 1.4 equiv) were taken in 2 mL of CS_2 as solvent and cooled the reaction mixture to 0 °C. To this solution, acetyl chloride in 3 mL CS_2 was added drop wise, and the resulting reaction mixture was allowed to stir at rt for 4 h, and subsequently at 50 °C over 6 h. The reaction mixture was cooled to rt and quenched with ice water and extracted with dichloromethane. Combined organic layer was washed with saturated aqueous solution of Na_2CO_3 followed by brine. Dried over anhy. Na_2SO_4 and evaporated on the vacuo and the crude reaction mixture was purified on silica column (2% EtOAc in petroleum ether) to get pentadeuterated acetophenone **deutrio 2b** as a yellow oil (0.49 g, 3.92 mmol, 69% yield).

Mechanistic investigation (H/D) exchange reaction:

Deuterium incorporation:

In a 8-mL screw cap reaction vial, acetophenone **2b** (0.2 mmol), $\text{CD}_3\text{CO}_2\text{D}$ (10 equiv), $[\text{RhCp}^*(\text{OAc})_2]$ catalyst (5.0 mol %), AgPF_6 (10 mol %), and **L11** (50 mol %) were added in TFE (1 mL) as solvent. This vial was sealed with a screw cap, stirred it at 100 °C for 24 h, concentrated under vacuo. The yield of starting material was determined by crude $^1\text{H NMR}$ analysis (see the Supporting Information for $^1\text{H NMR}$ spectra SI-116). The crude product was purified on a silica gel column using EtOAc/petroleum ether to give Deuterium enriched mixture of products **2b** and **deutrio-2b** in 98% yield. The 11% deuterium incorporation was calculated by $^1\text{H NMR}$ spectroscopy (See the Supporting Information for $^1\text{H NMR}$ spectra SI-114).

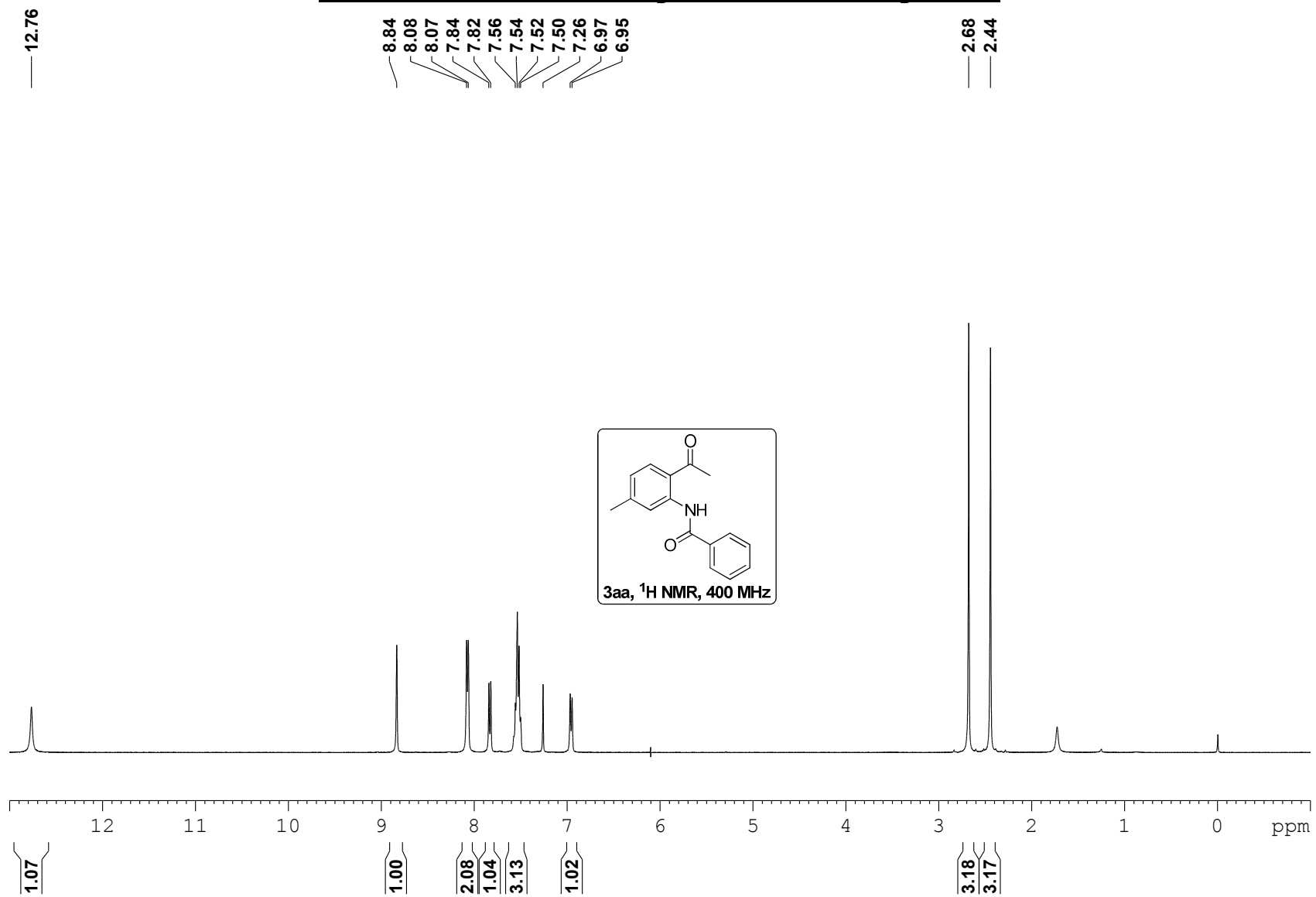
Competitive experiment:

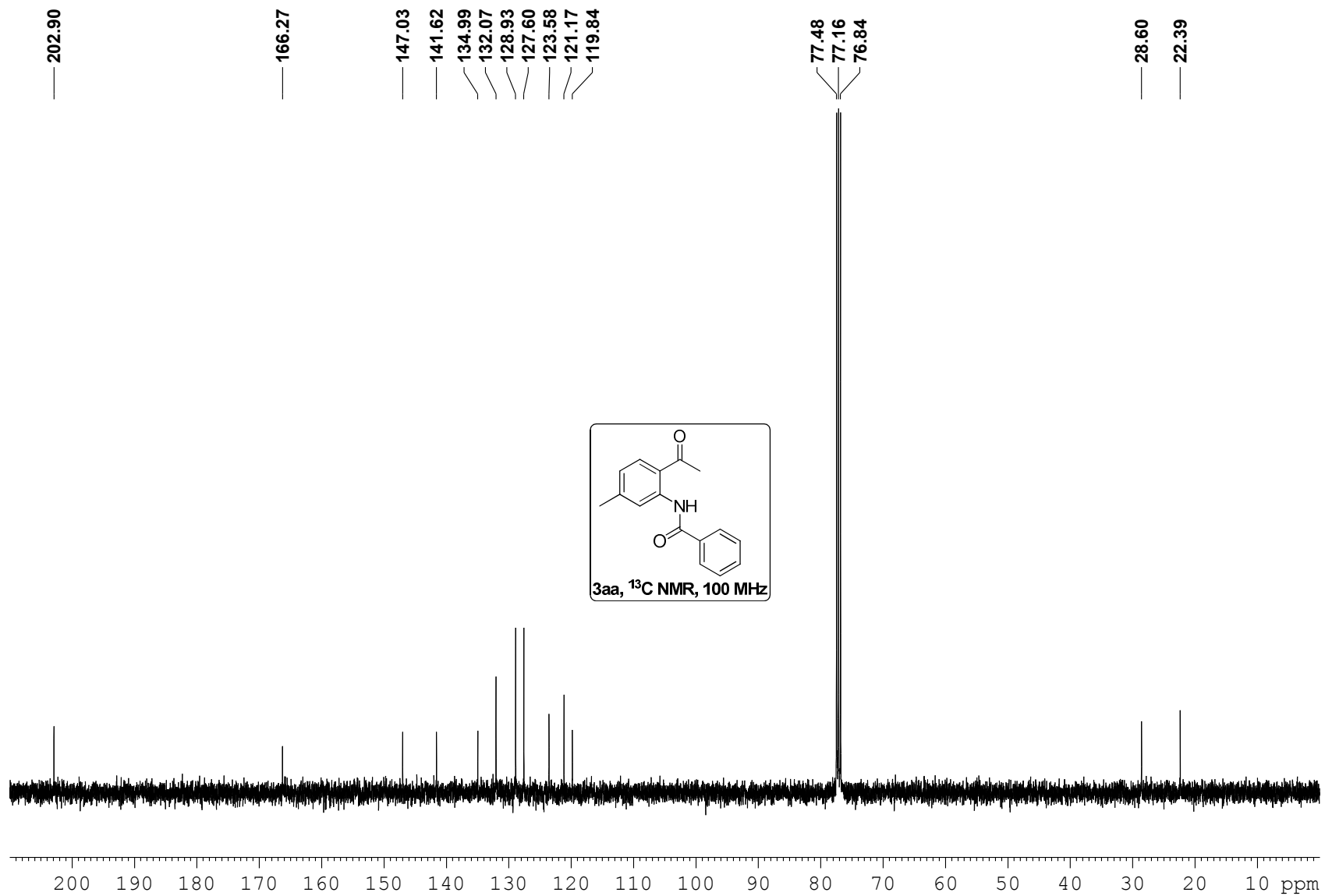
In a 8 mL screw cap reaction vial, acetophenone (**2b**, 0.096 mmol), pentadeuterated acetophenone (**deutrio-2b**, 100% D, 0.096 mmol), dioxazolone **1a** (0.23 mmol), [RhCp*(OAc)₂] catalyst (5.0 mol %), AgPF₆ (10 mol %), and **L11** (50 mol %) were added followed by the addition of TFE (1.91 mL). The vial was sealed with a screw cap, stirred it at 100 °C for 6 h, filtered over a Celite pad. The solvent, EtOAc, was evaporated on vacuo. Product yield was calculated by crude ¹H NMR spectral analysis using 2,4,6-trimethoxy benzene as an internal standard. The product ratio (**3ab/deutrio-3ab** = 2.2:1) was determined by ¹H NMR spectral analysis after the purification (see the Supporting Information for ¹H NMR spectra SI-115, 116).

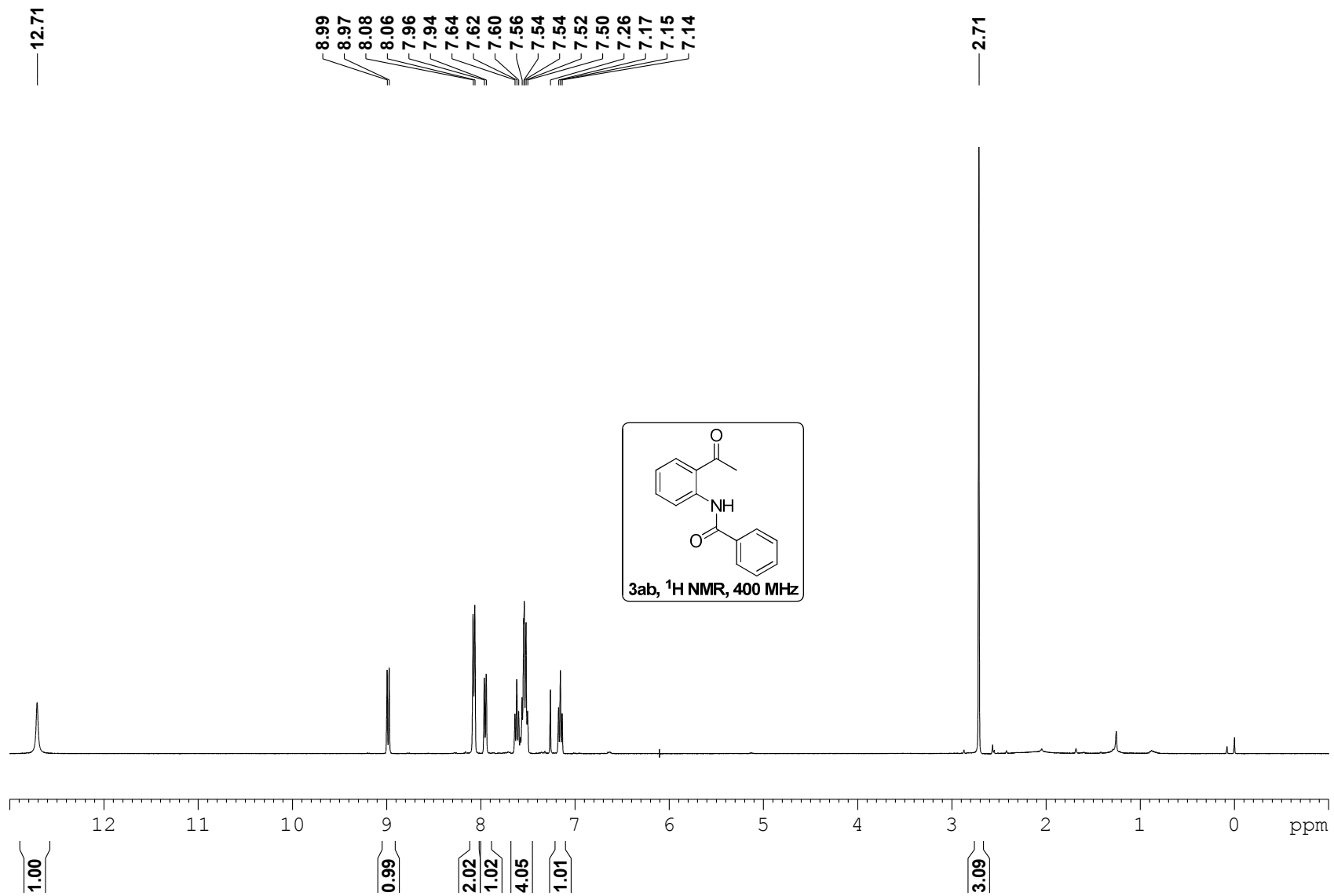
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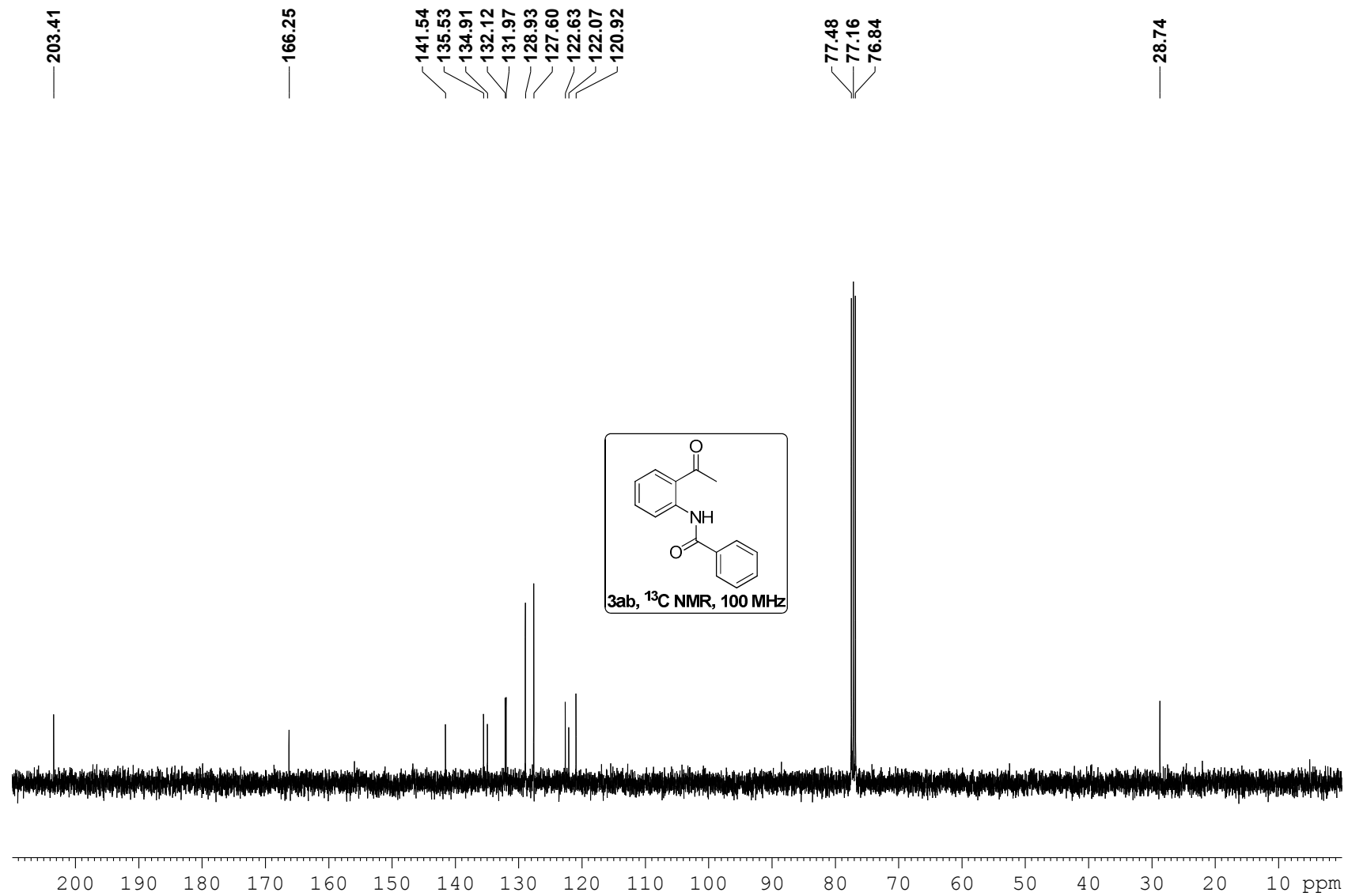
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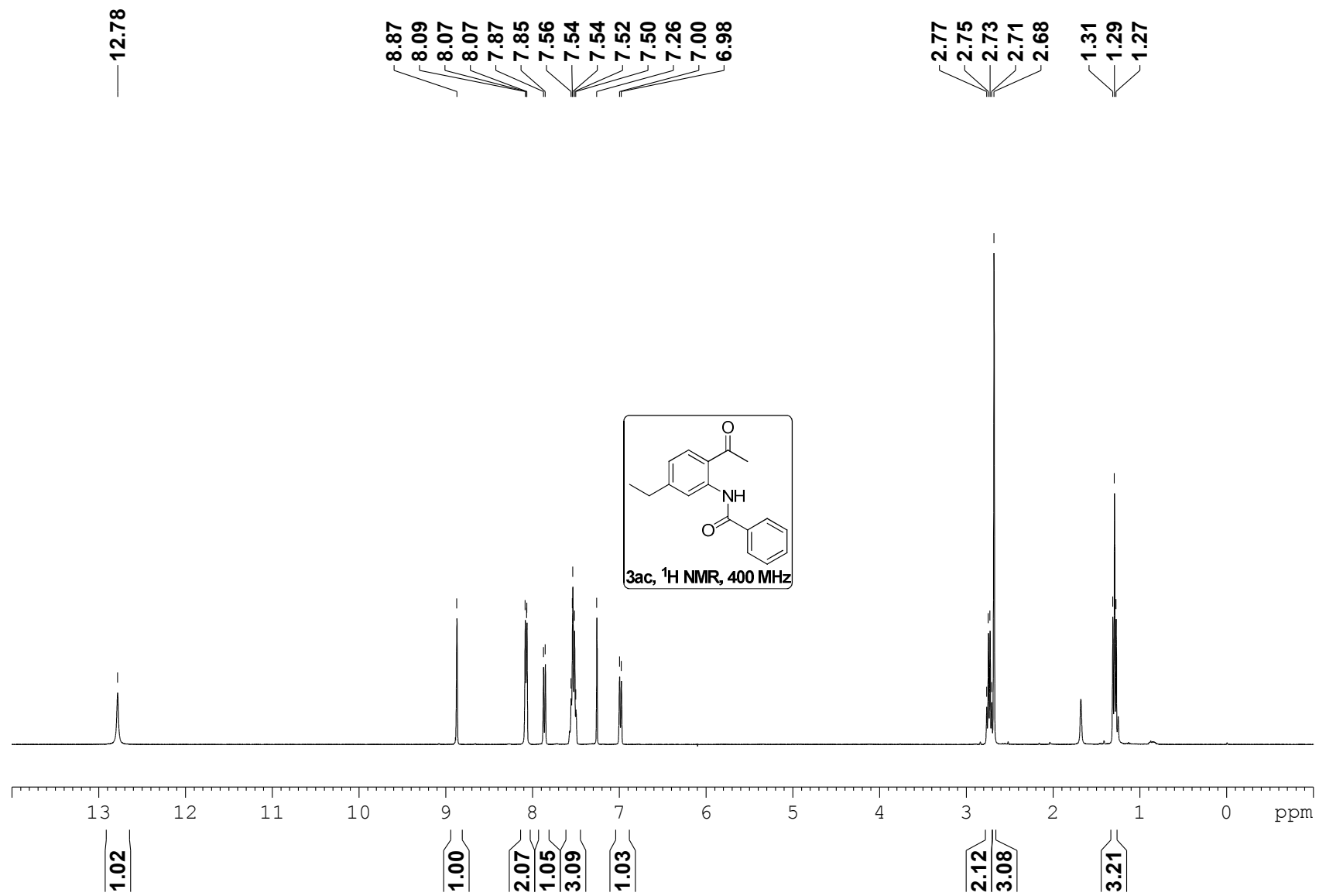
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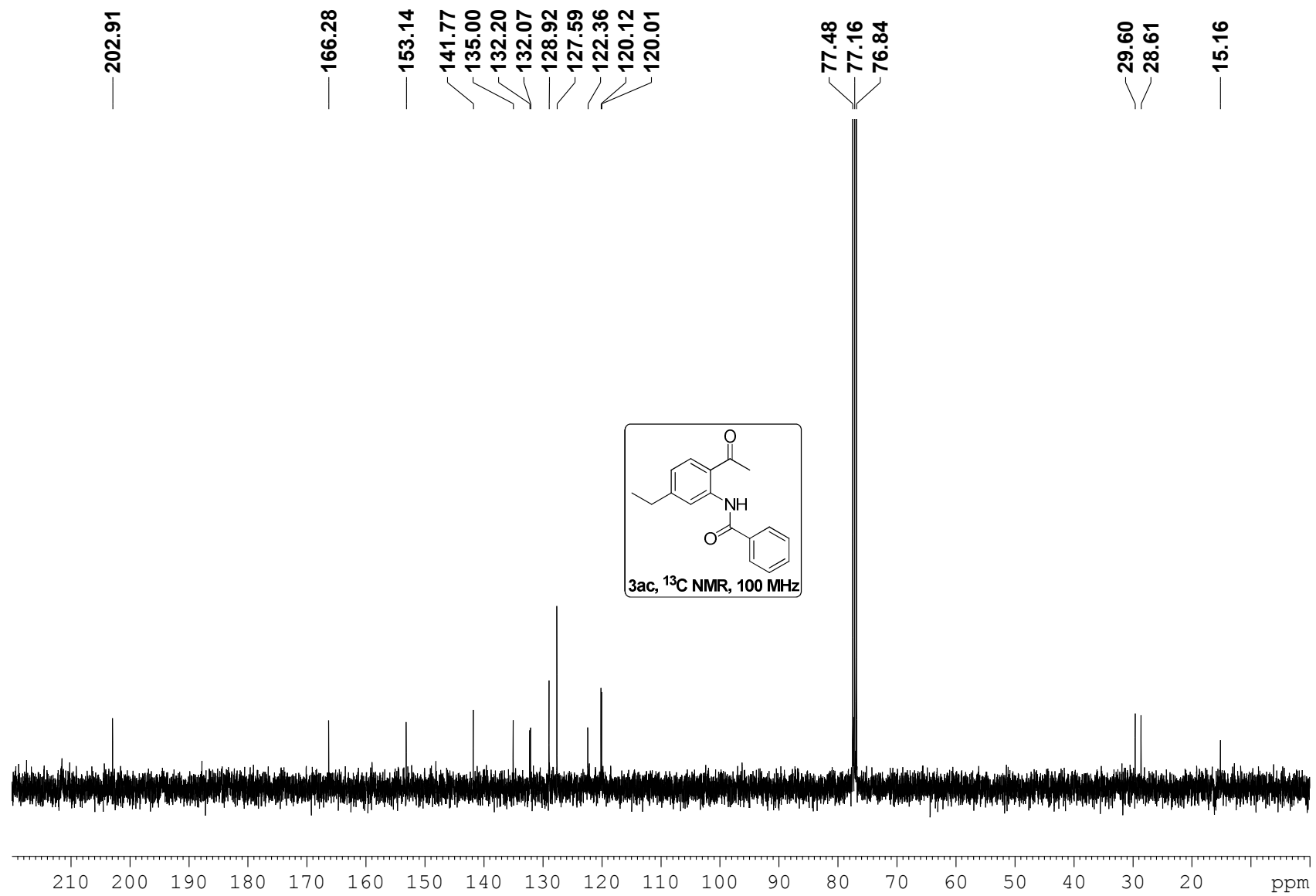


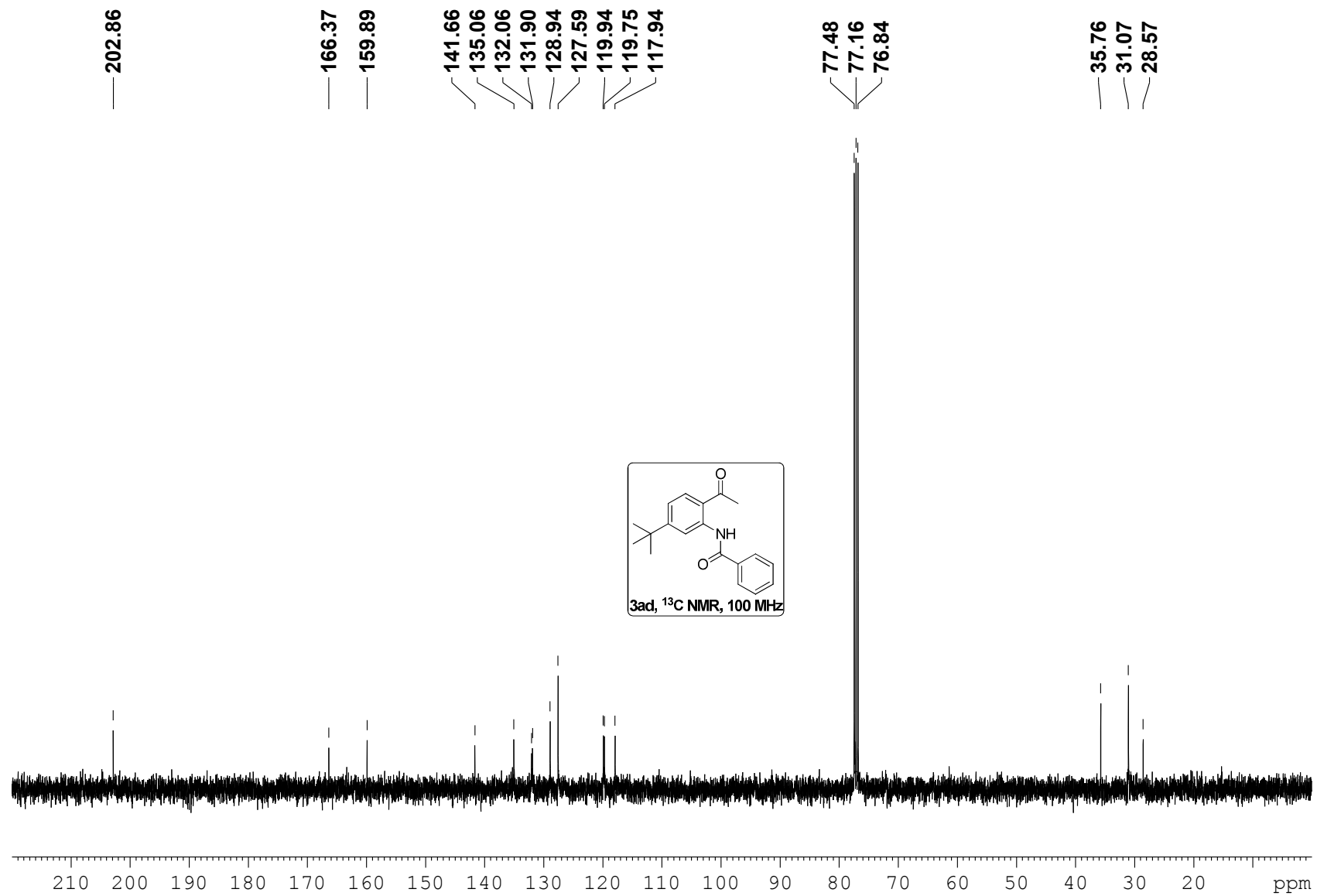


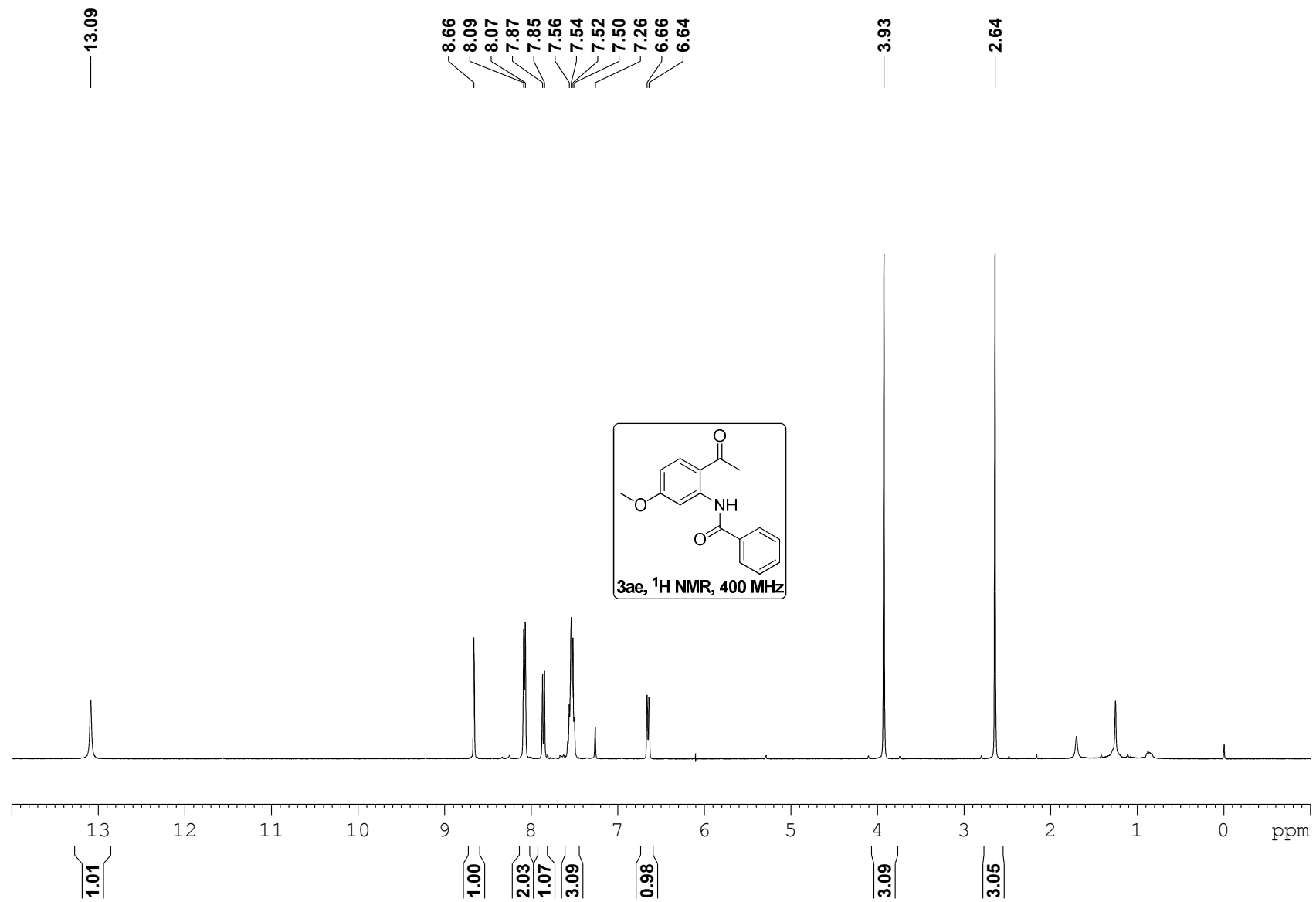


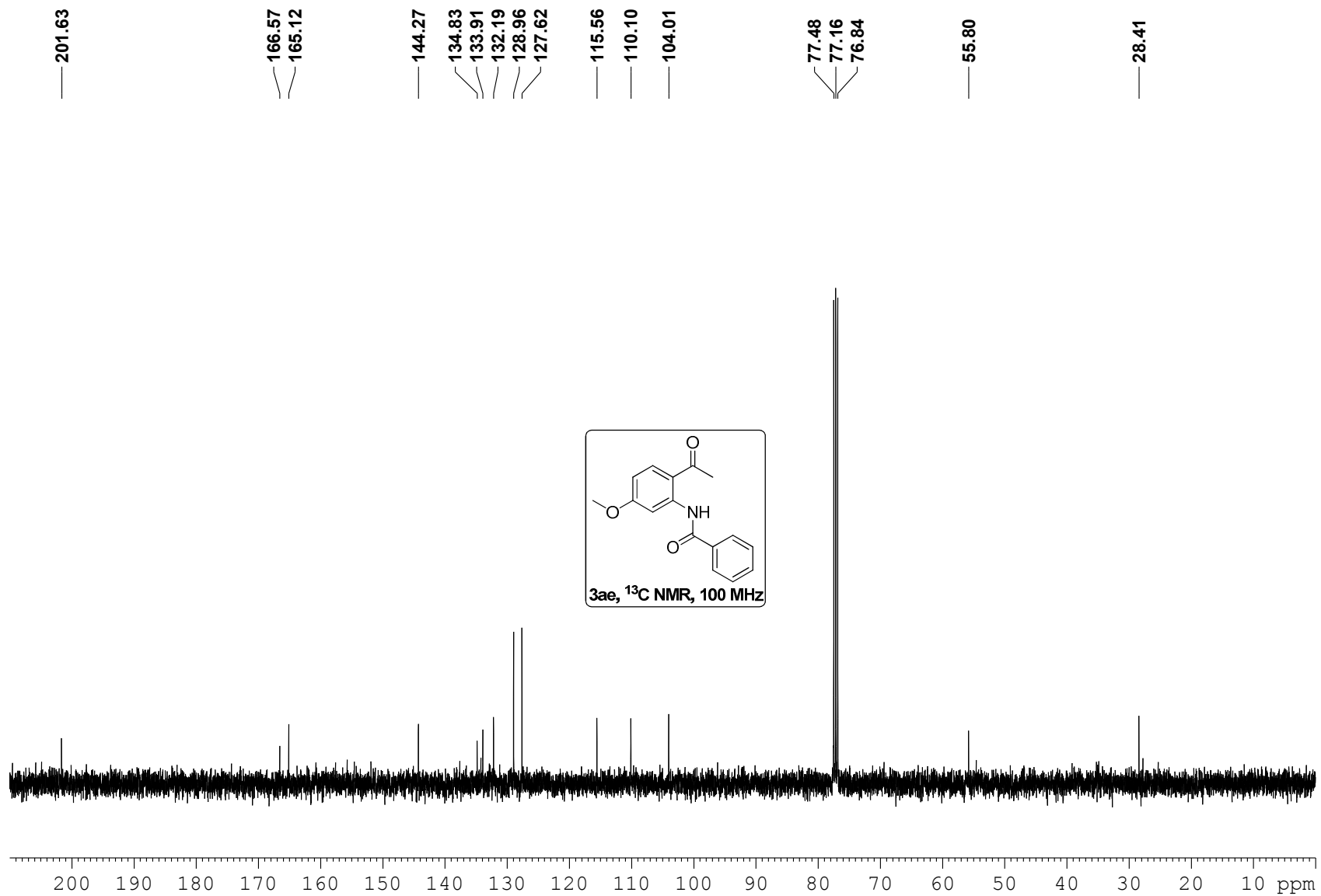


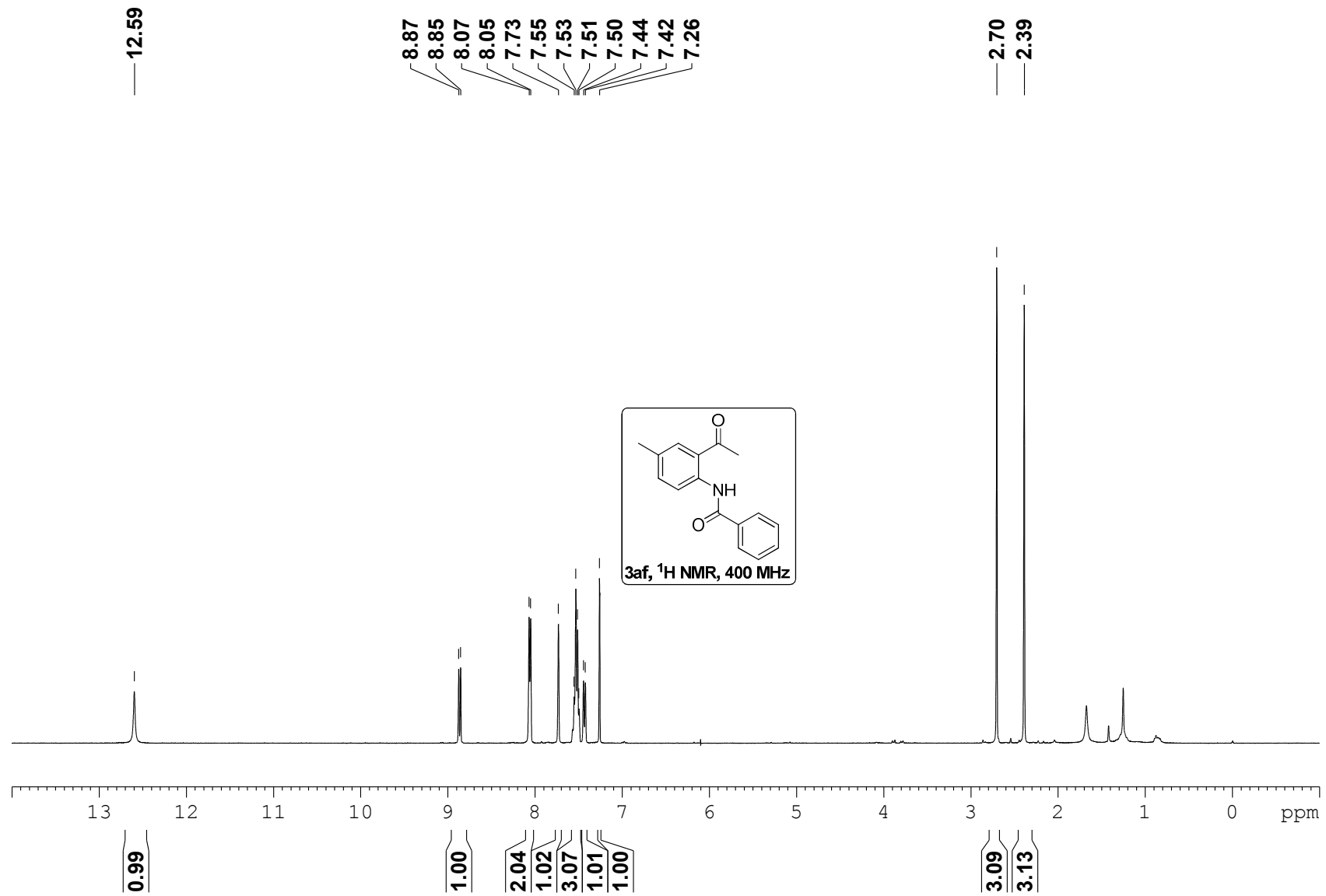


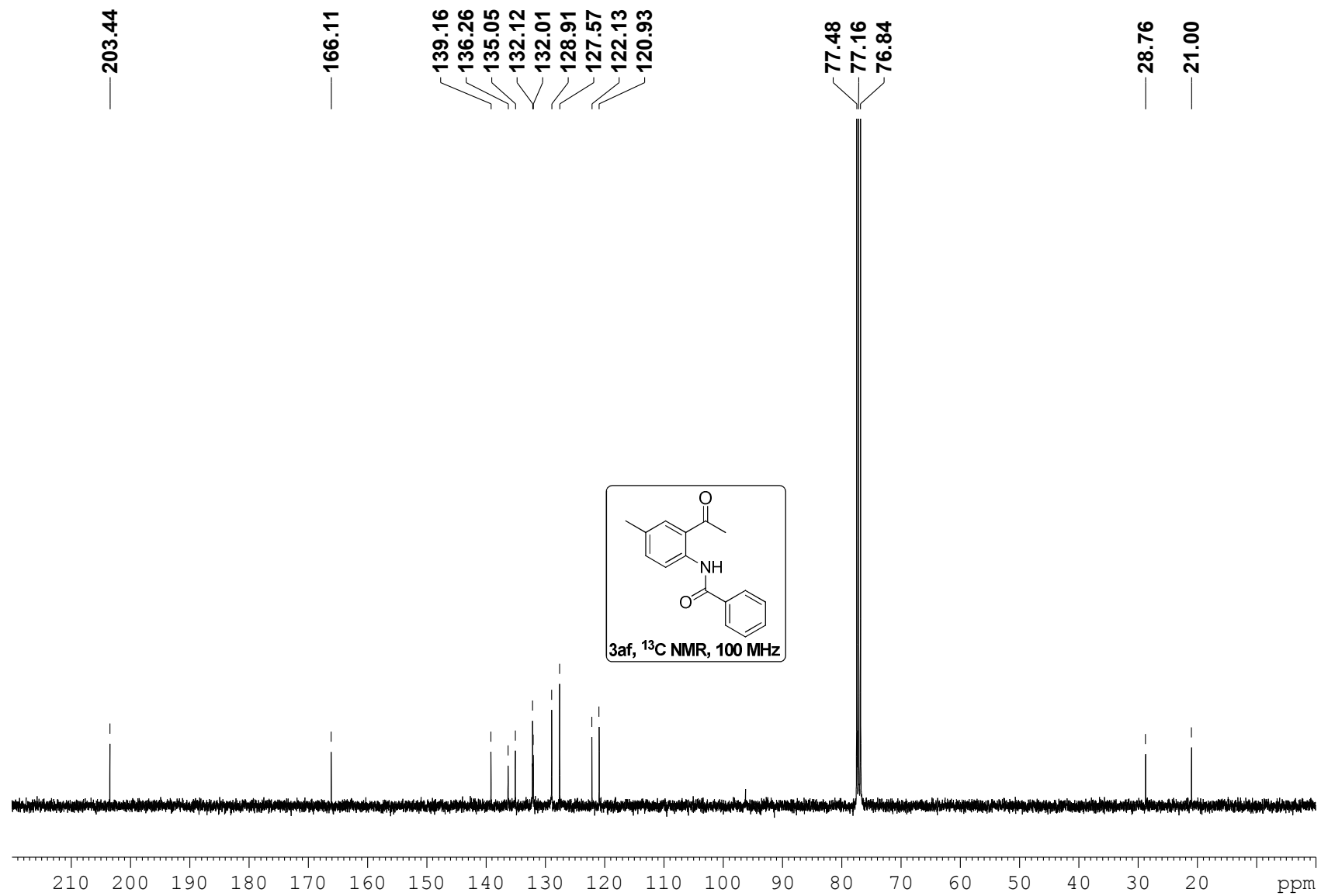


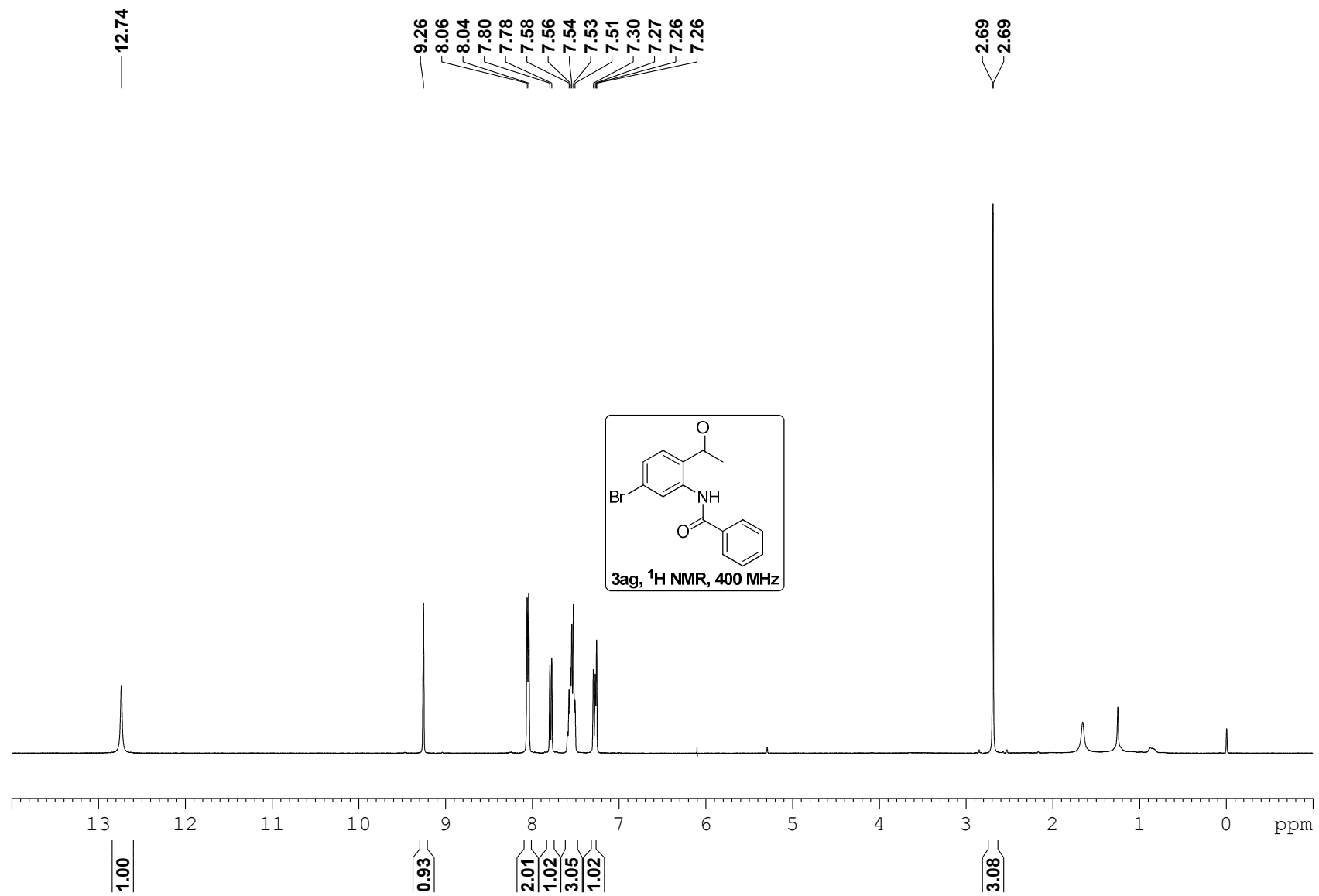


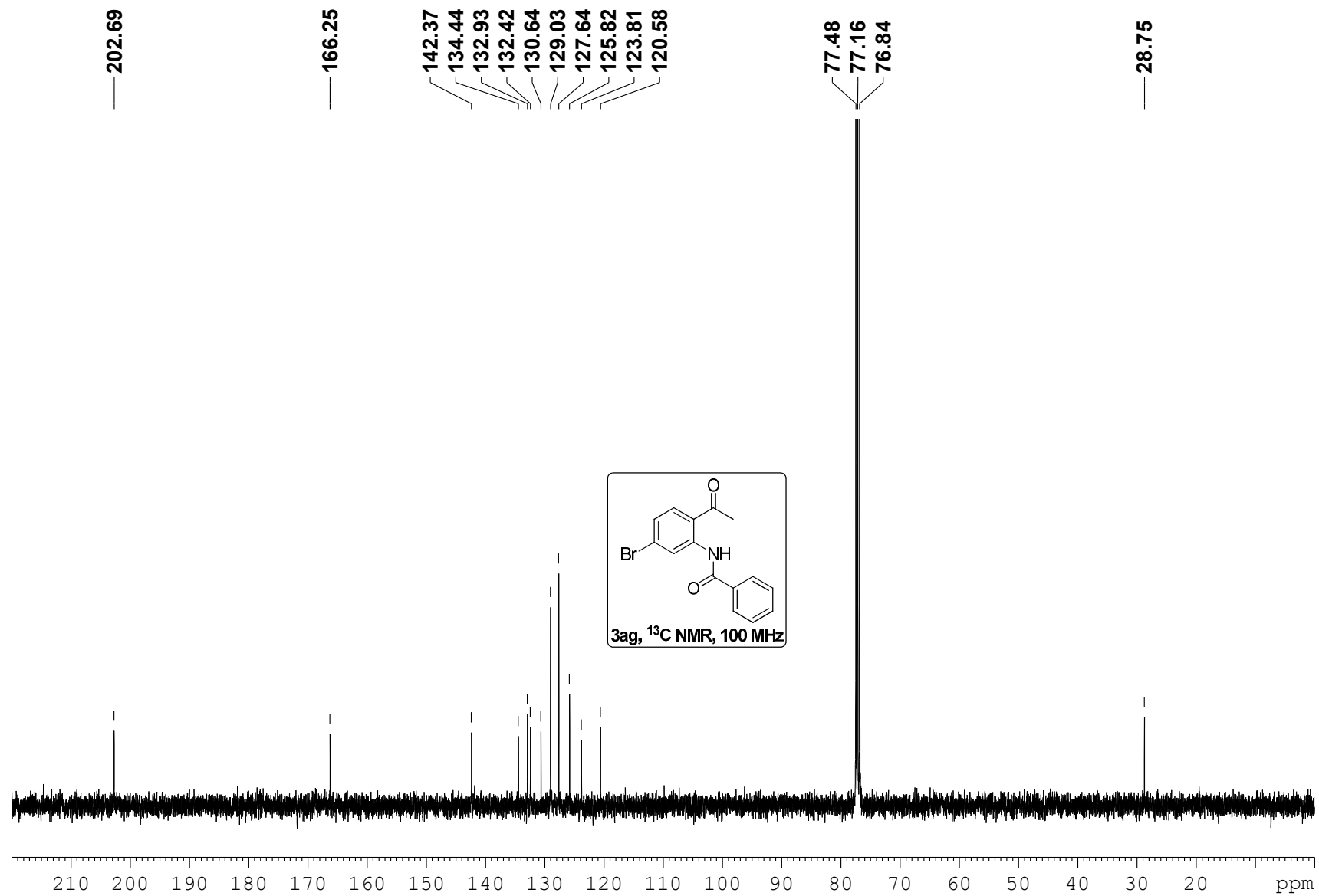


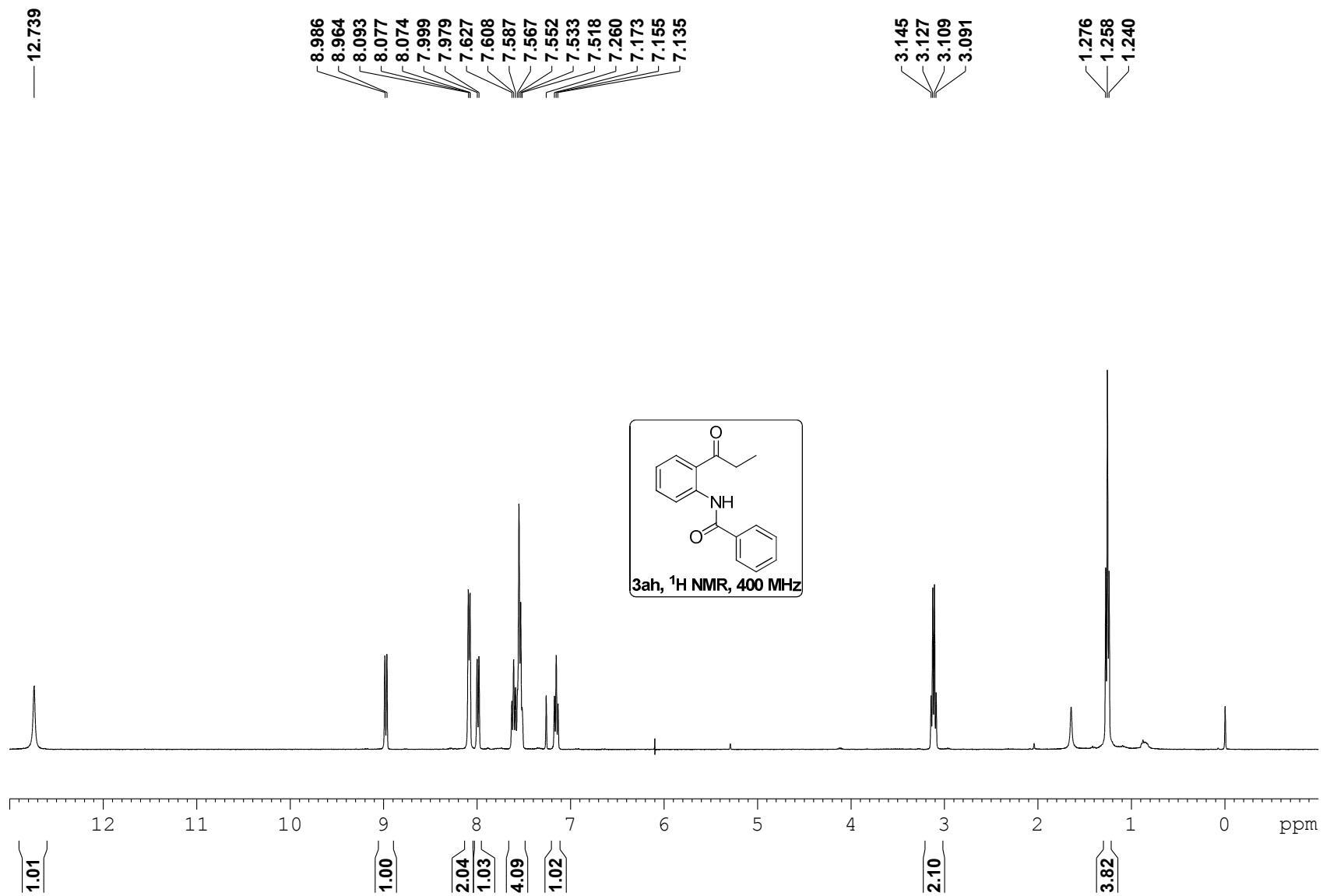


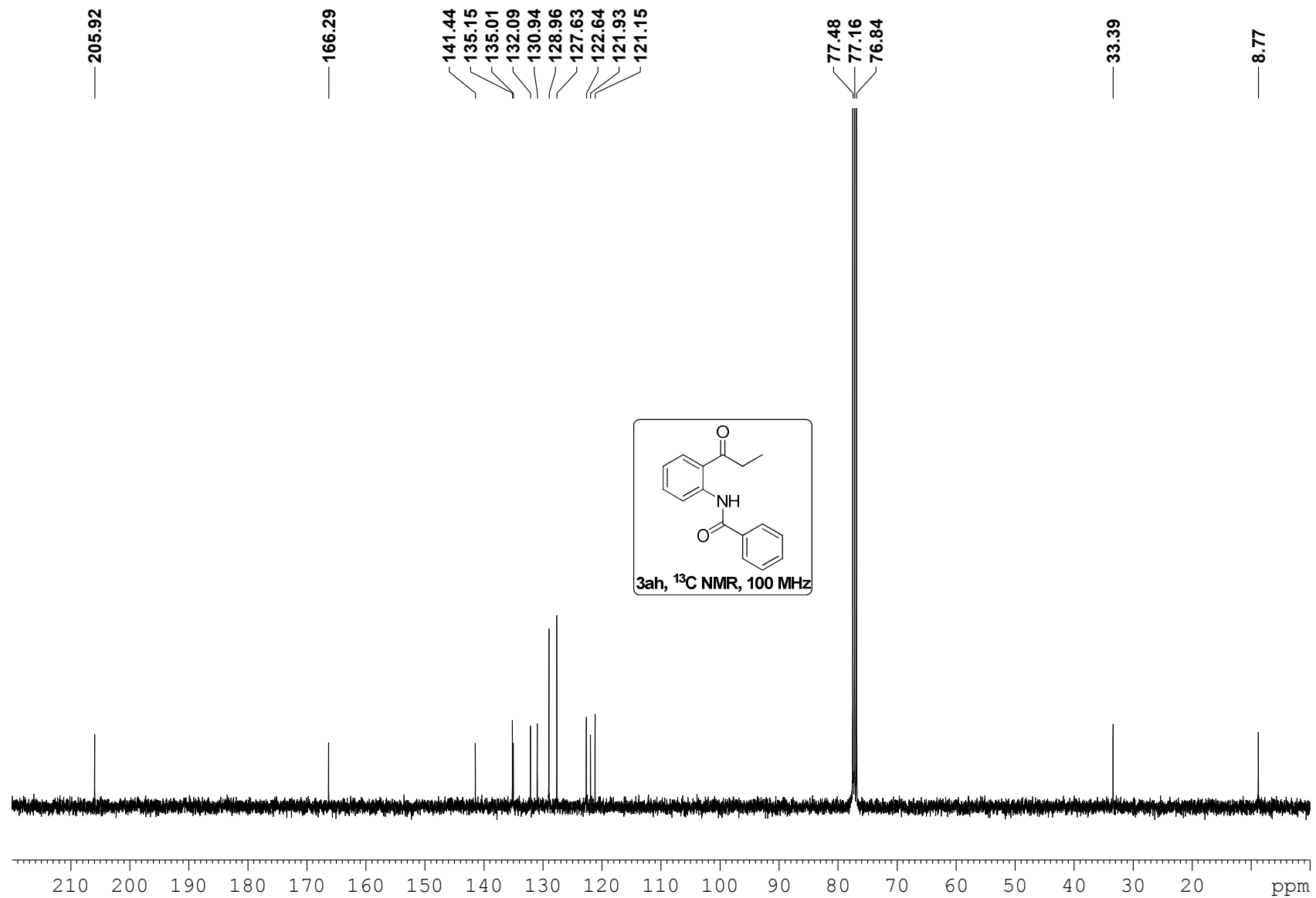


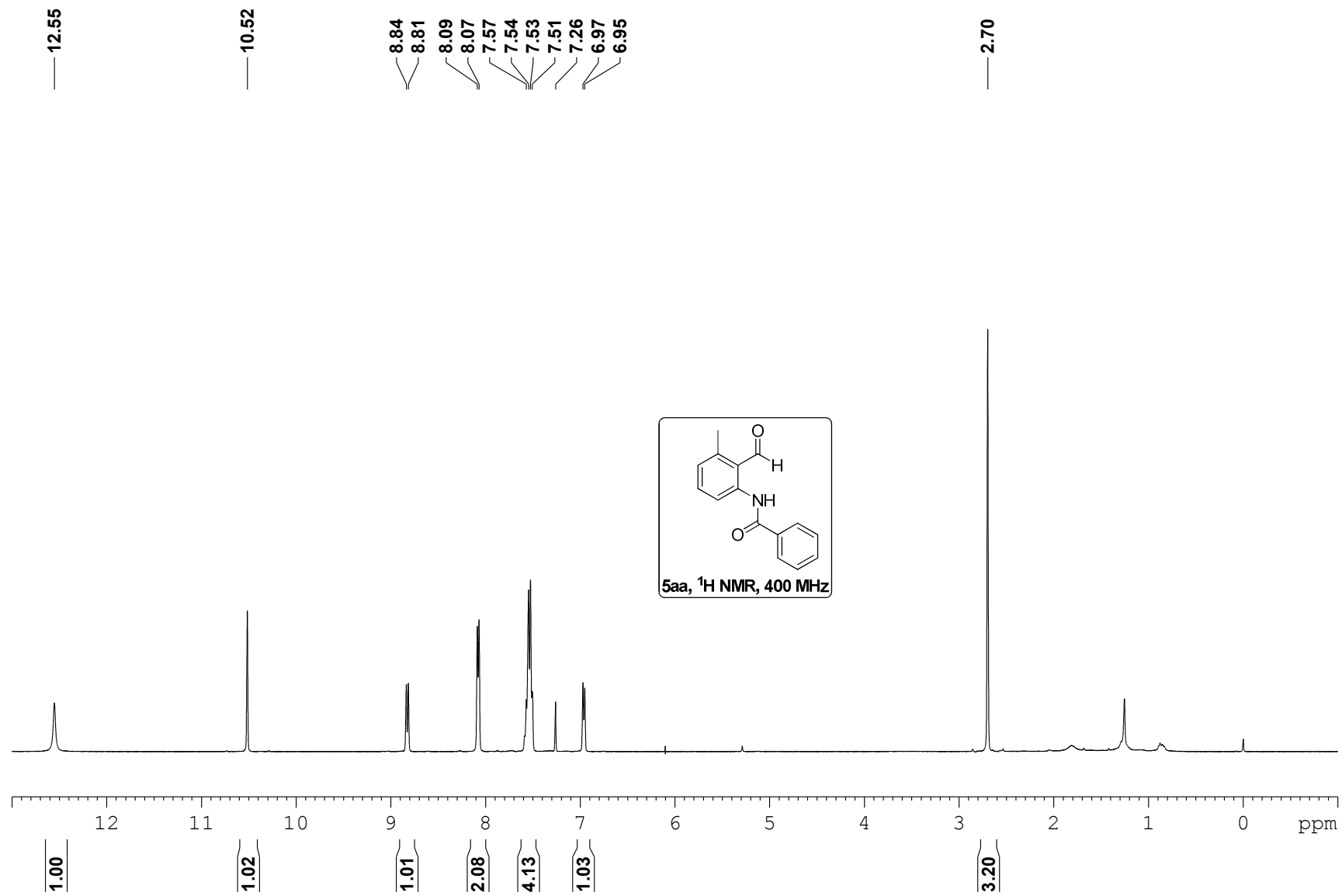


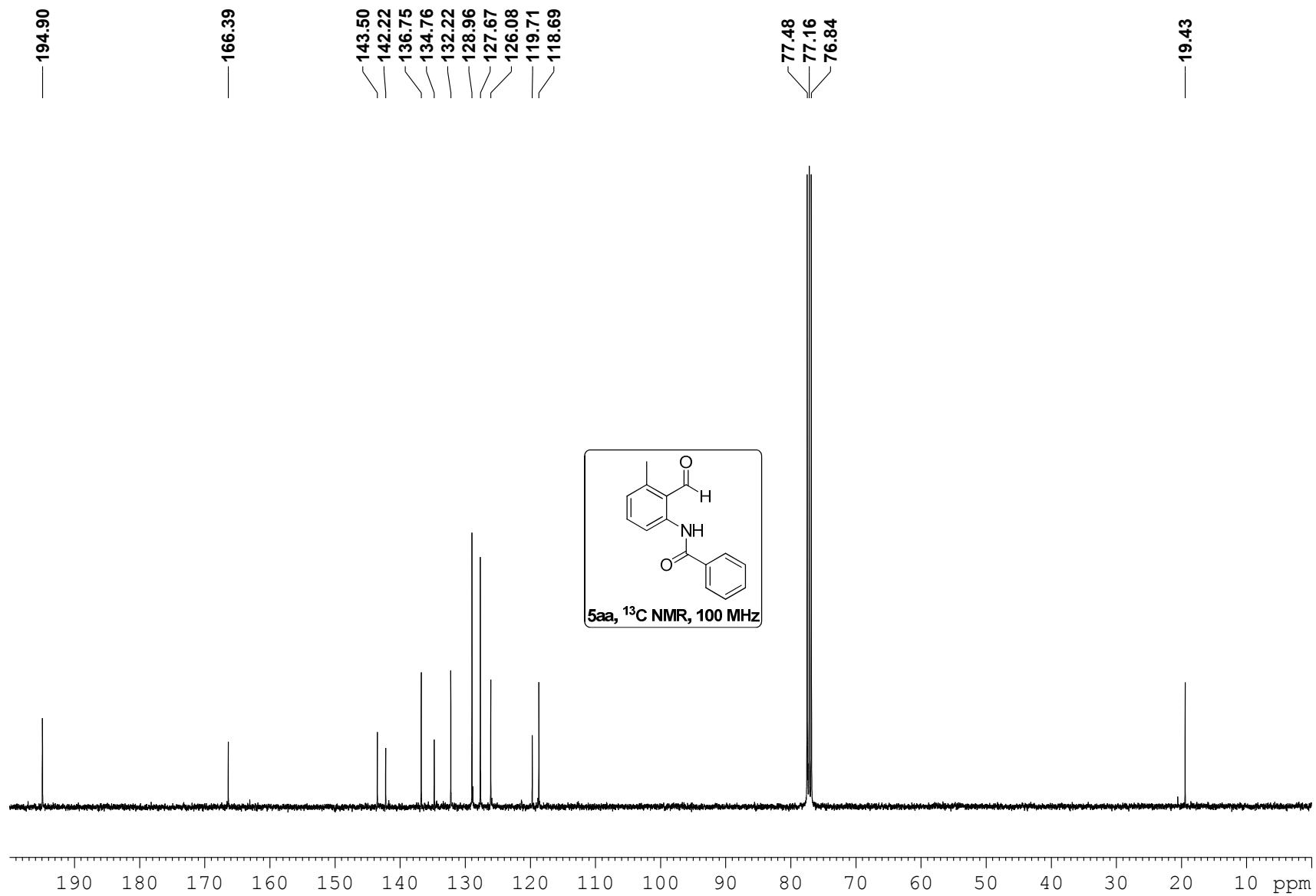


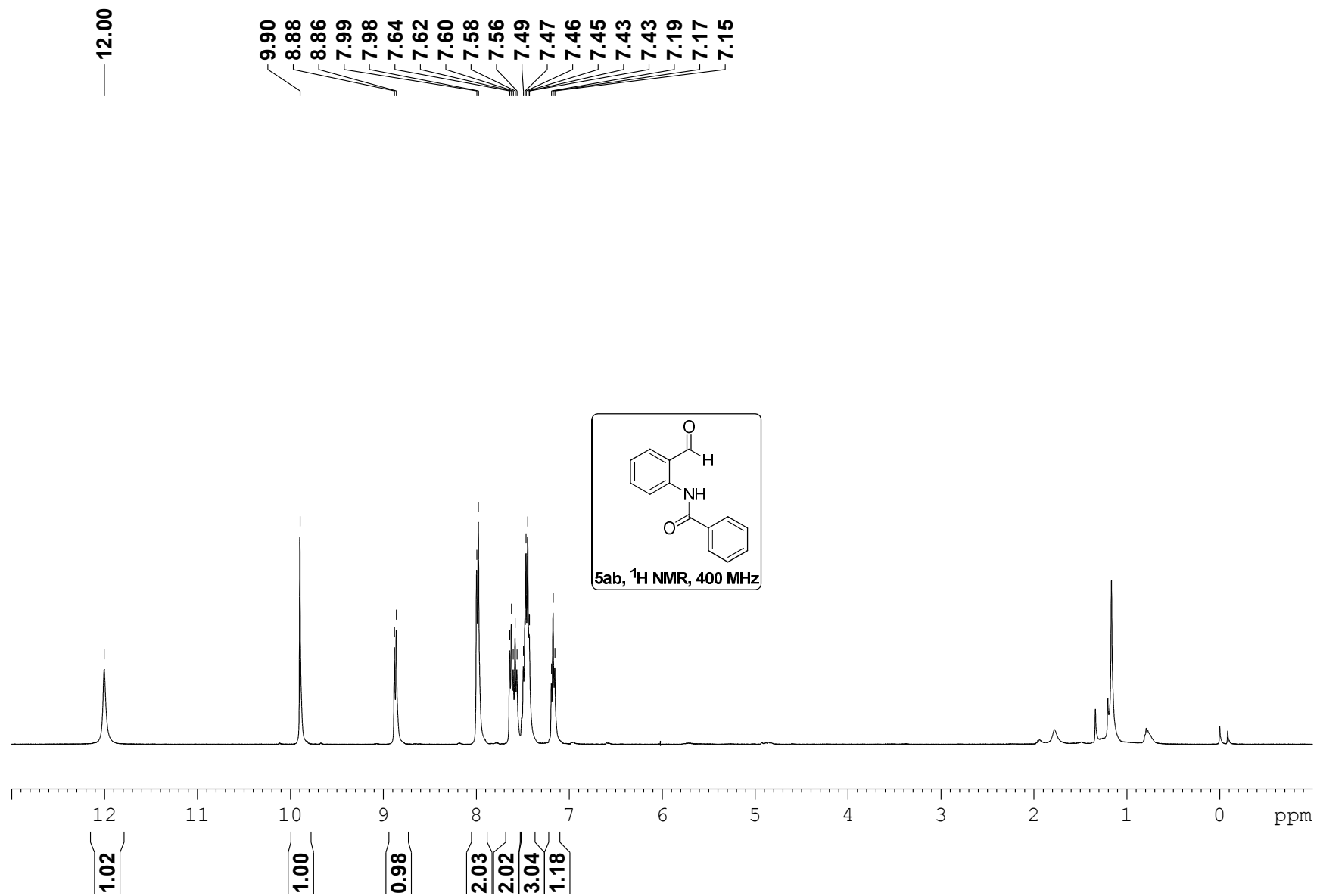


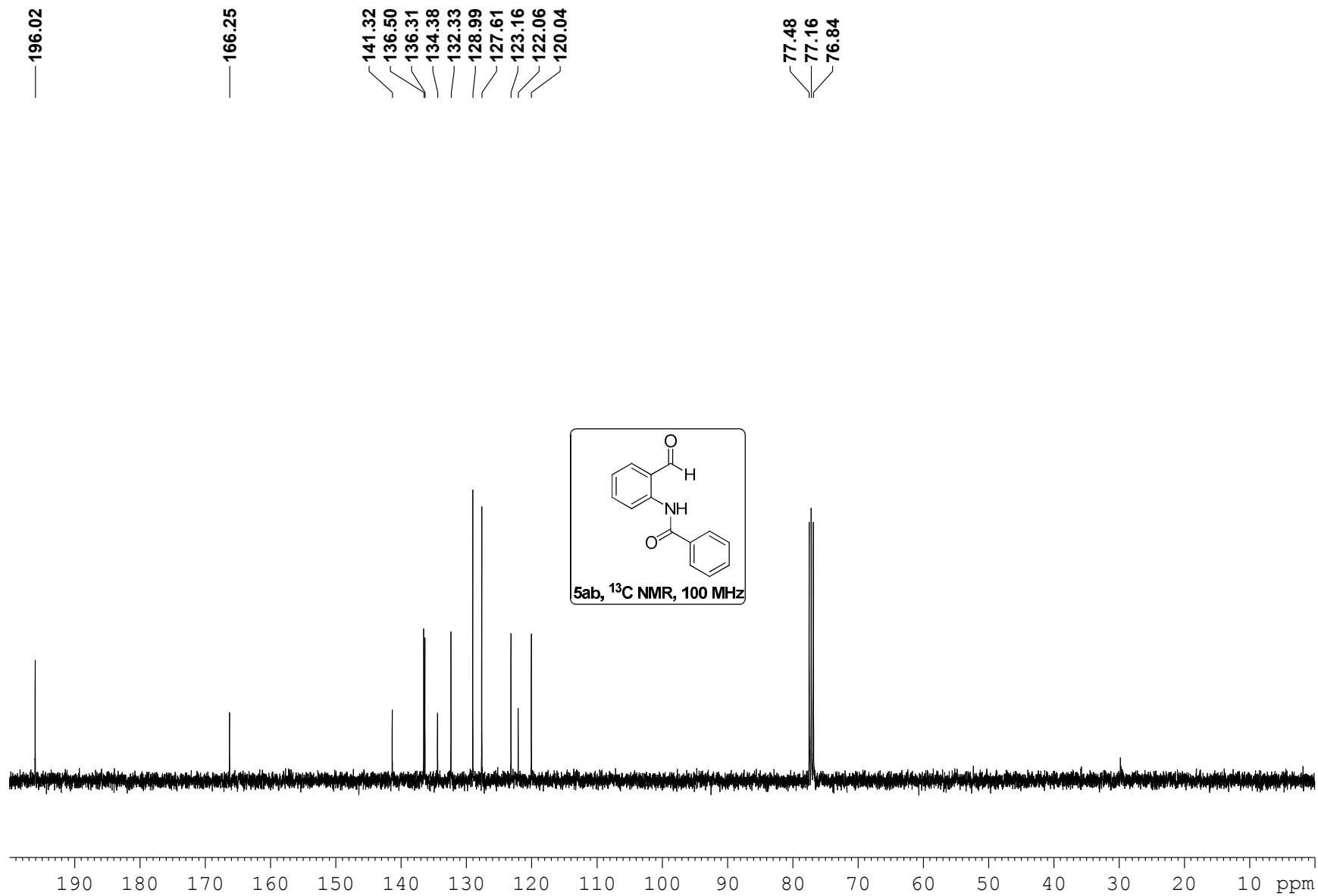


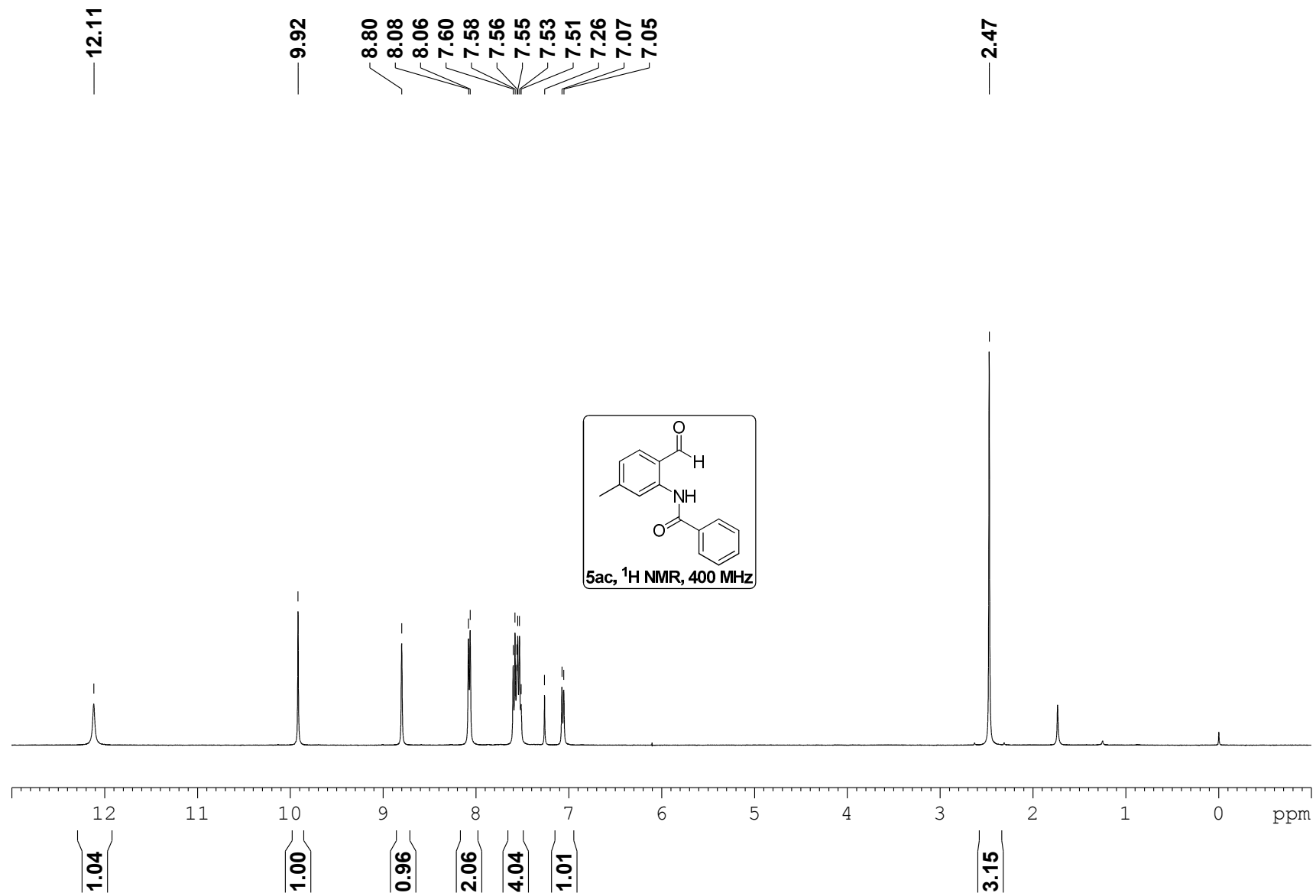


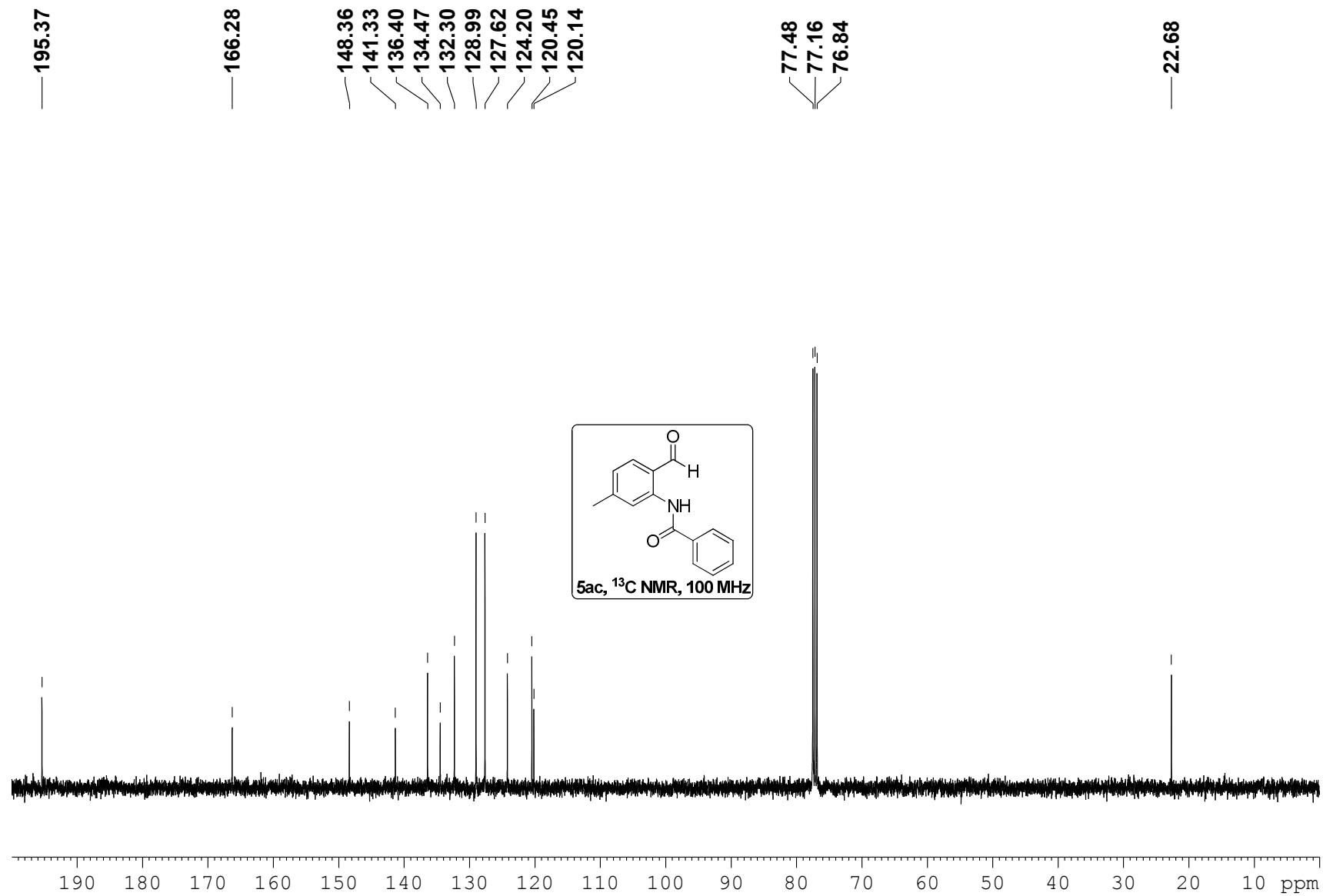


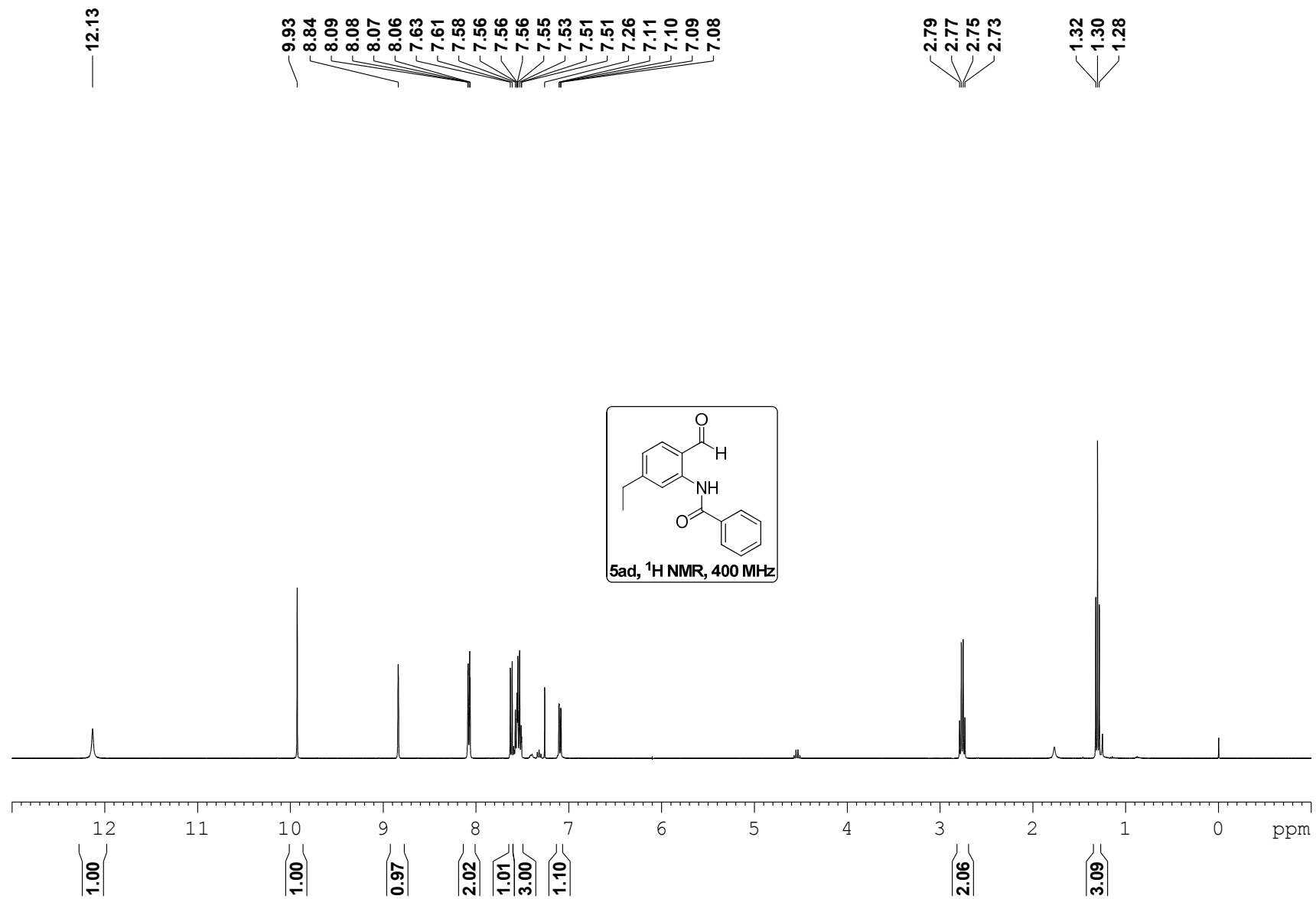


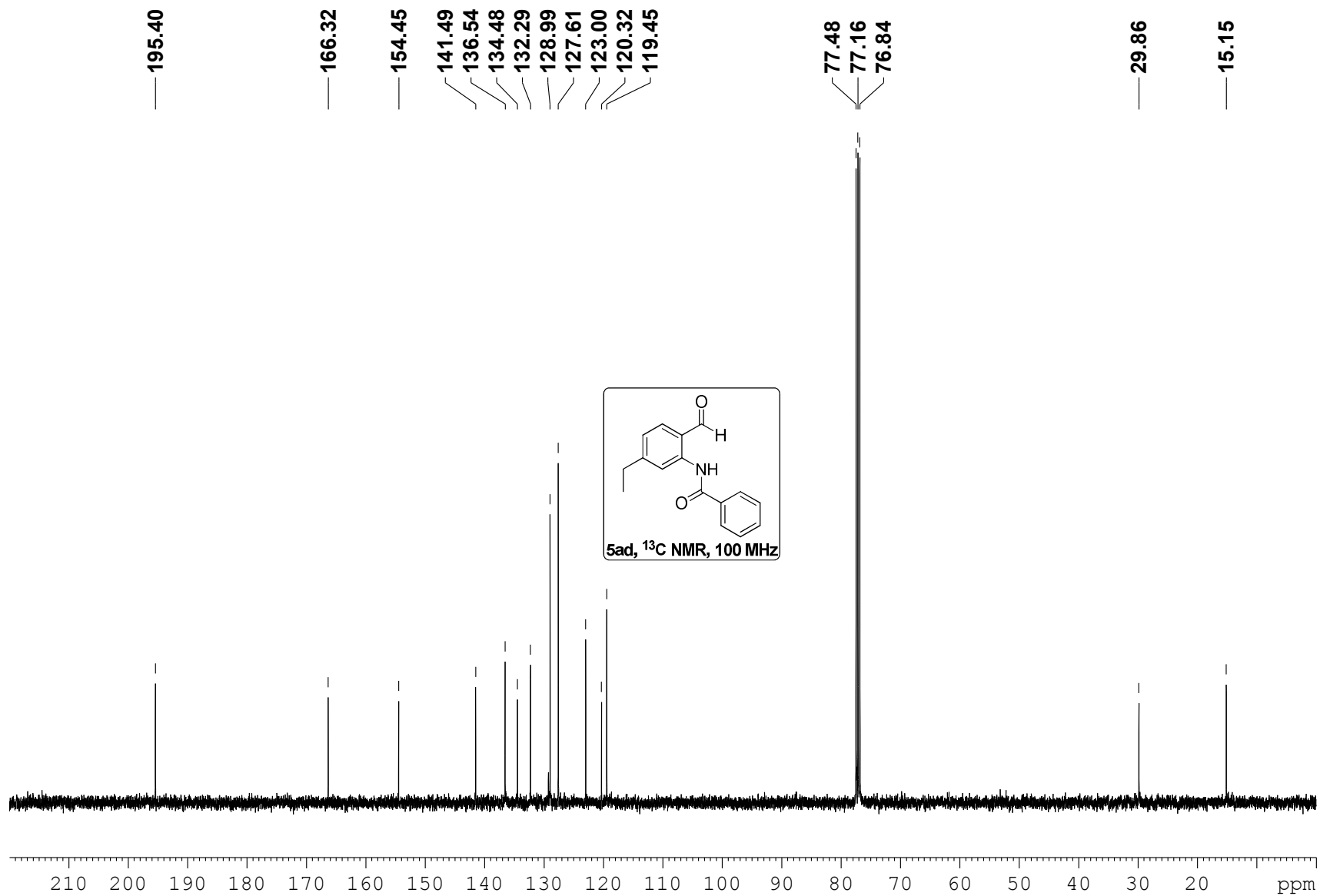


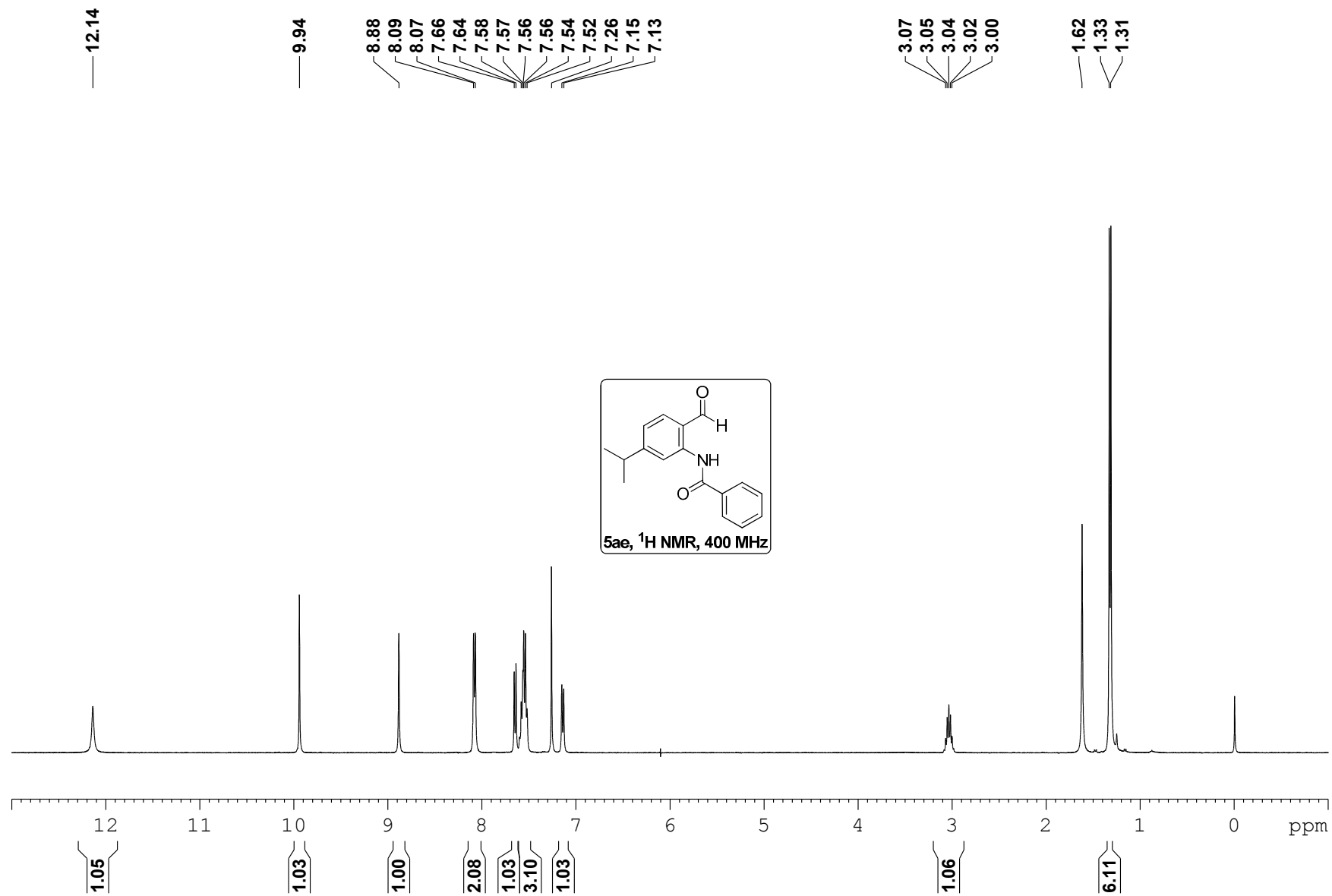


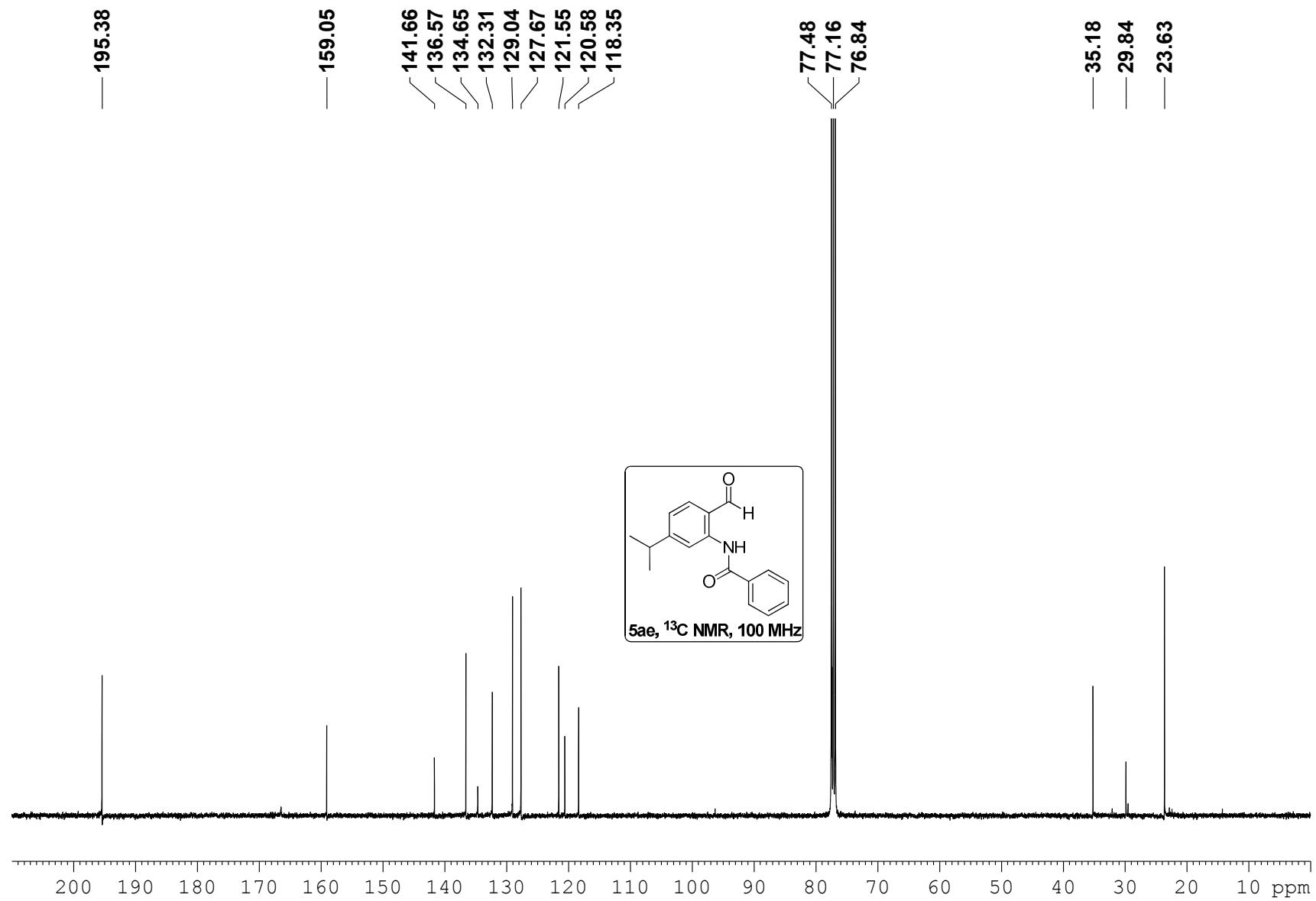


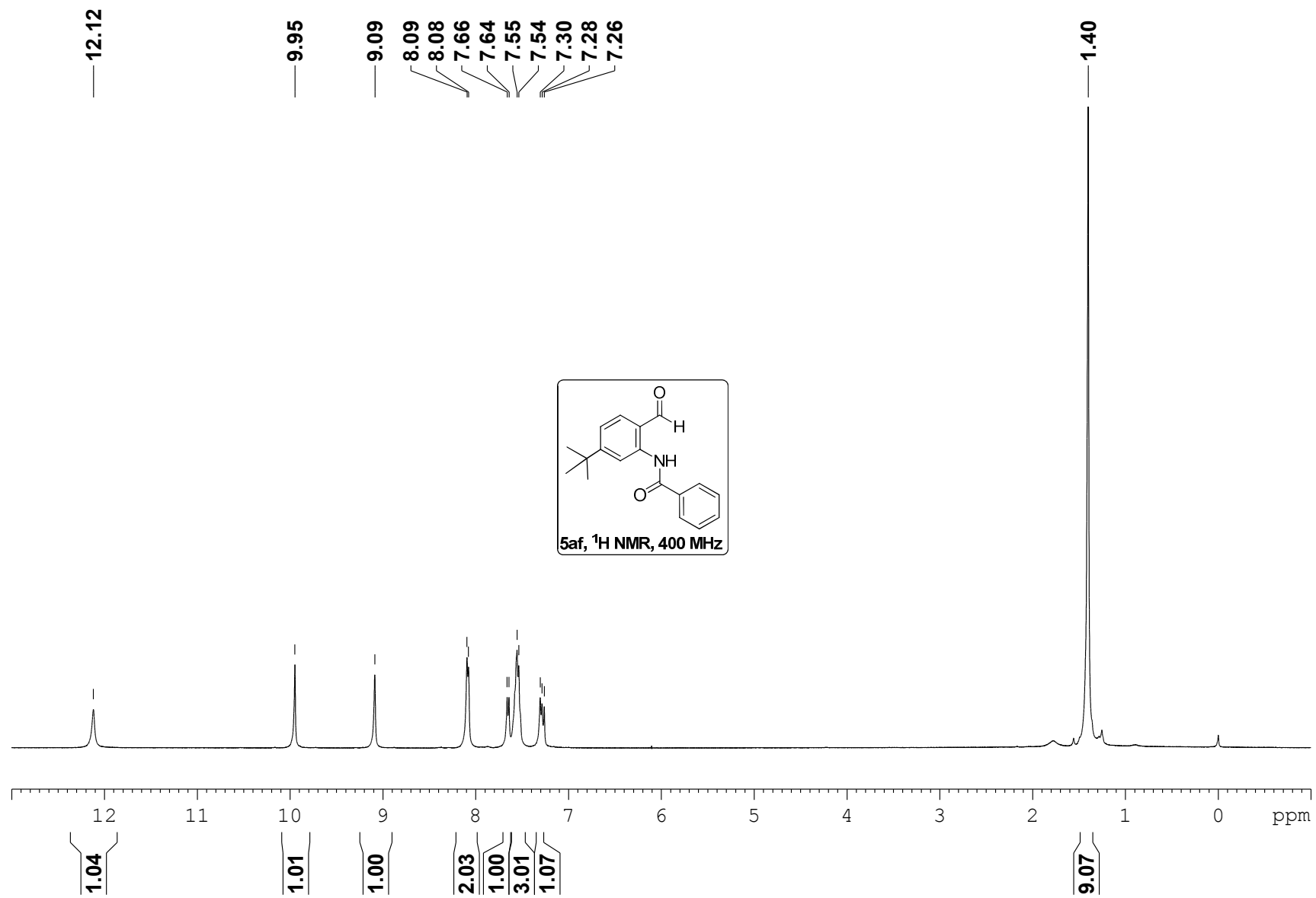


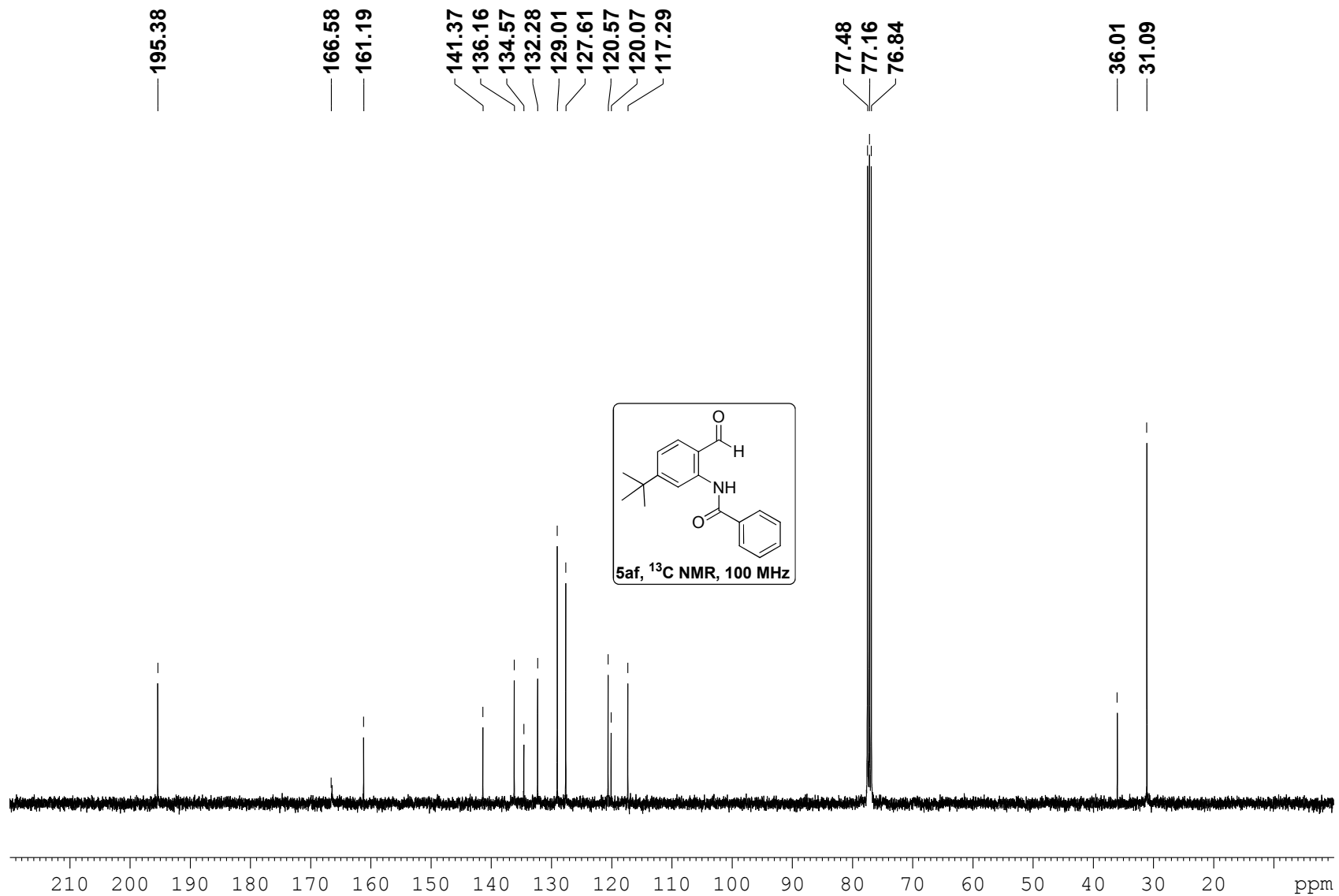


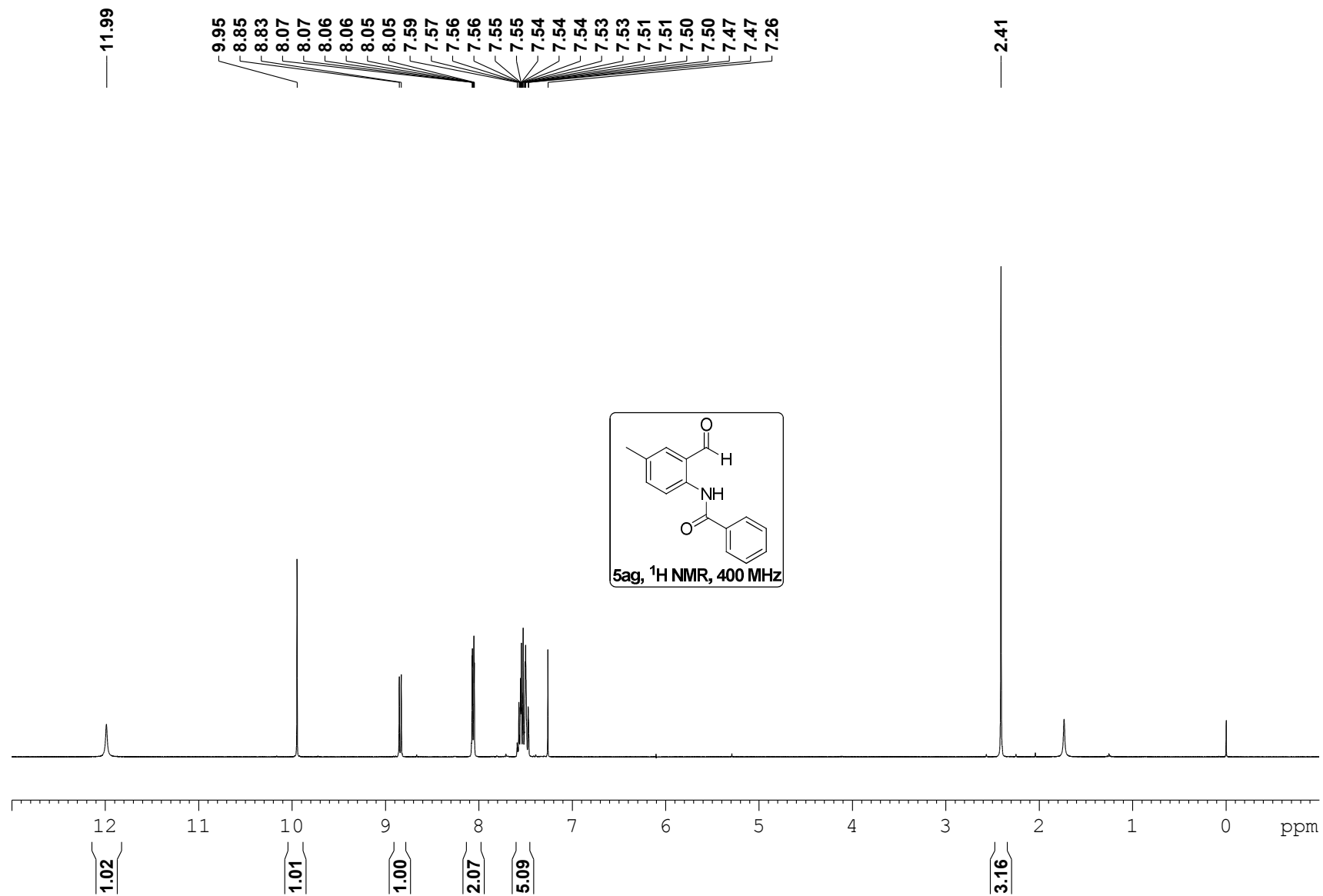


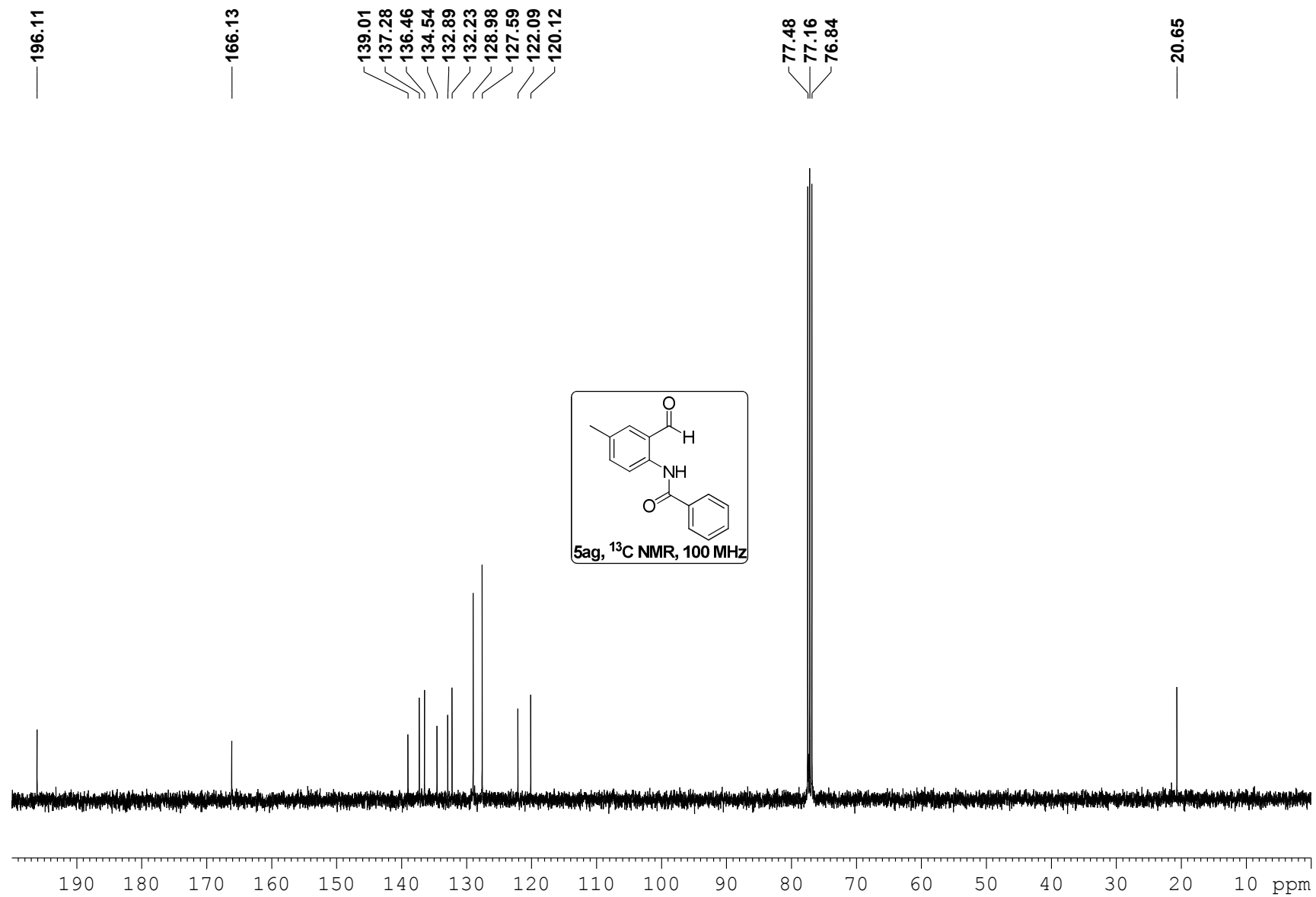


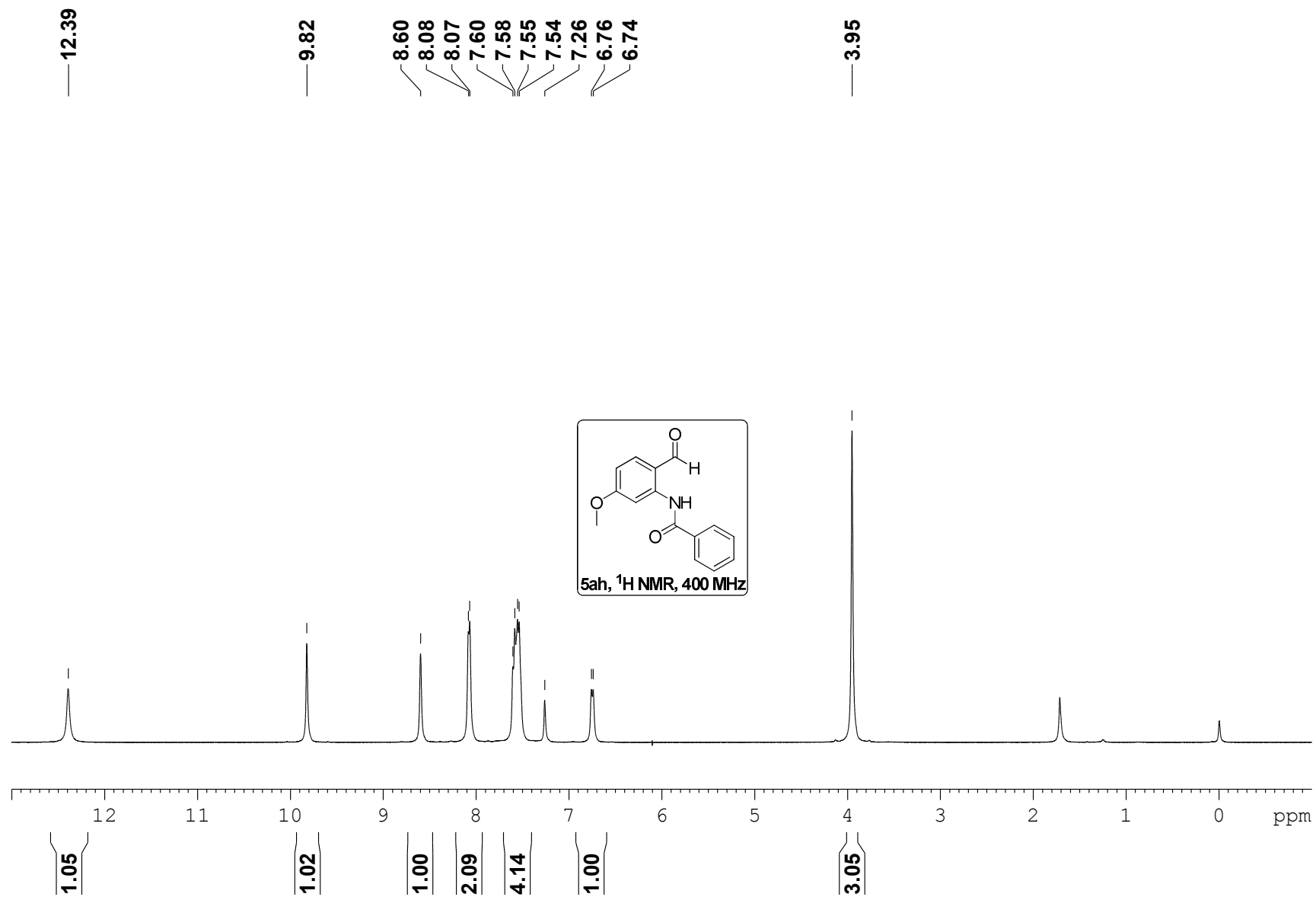


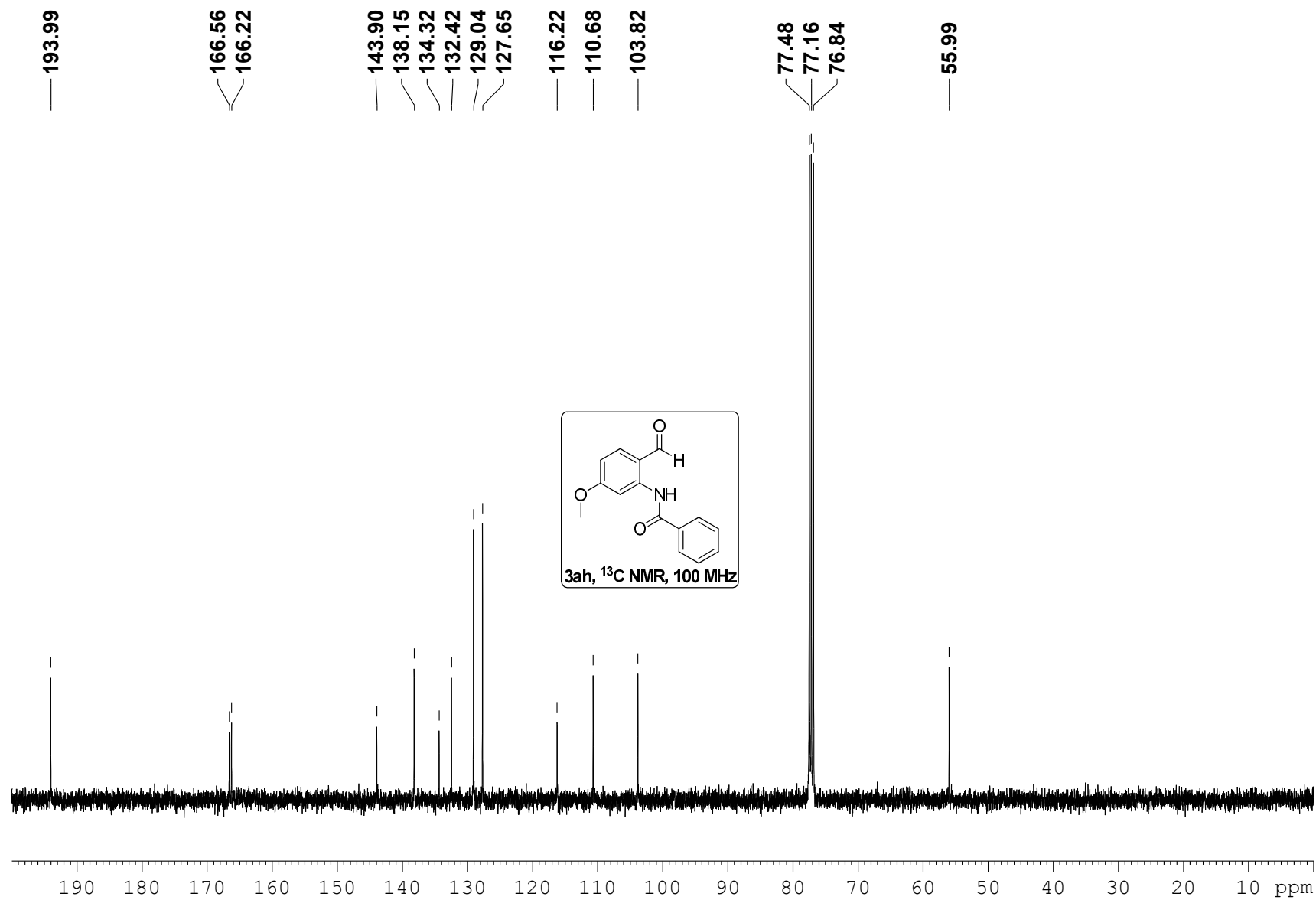


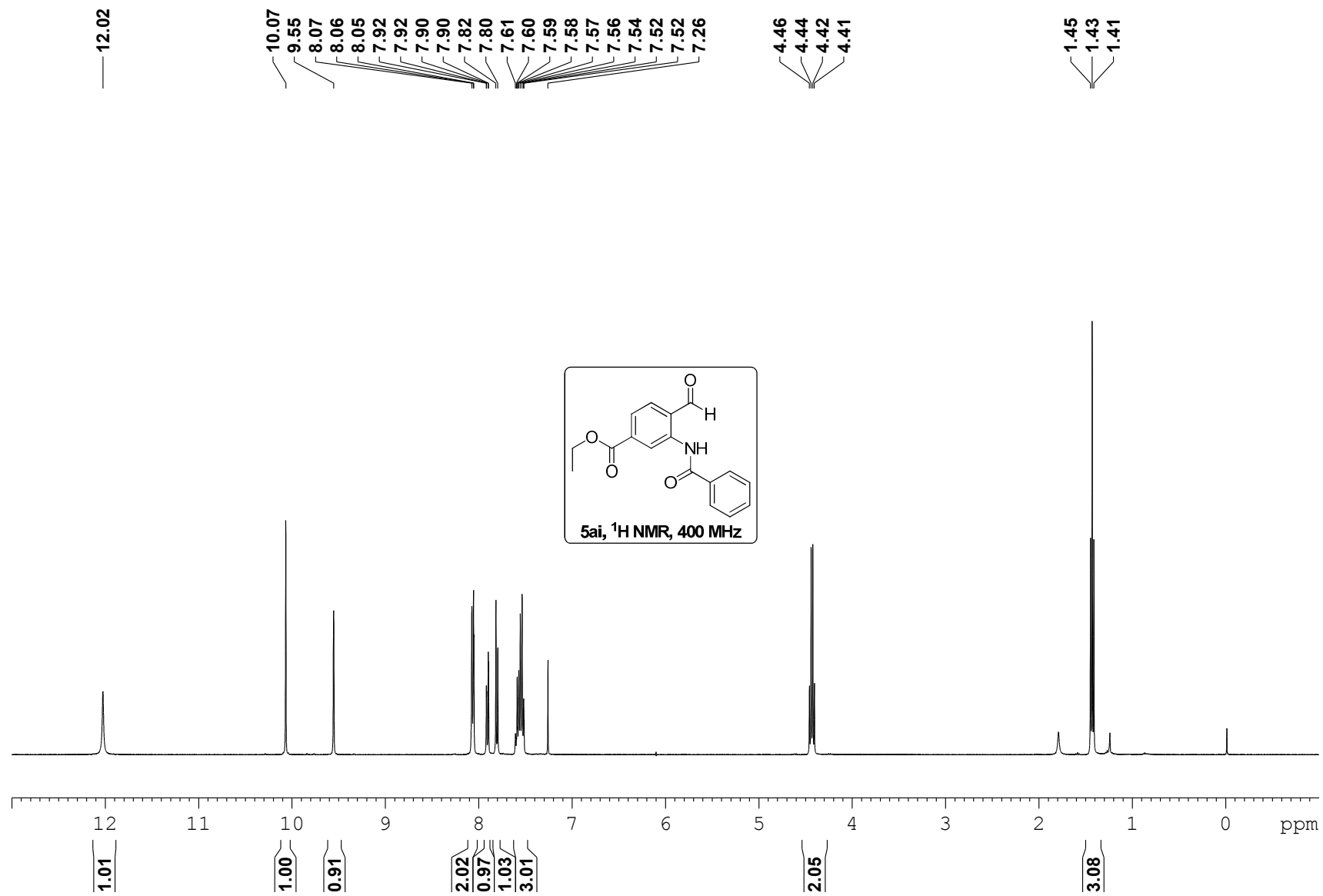


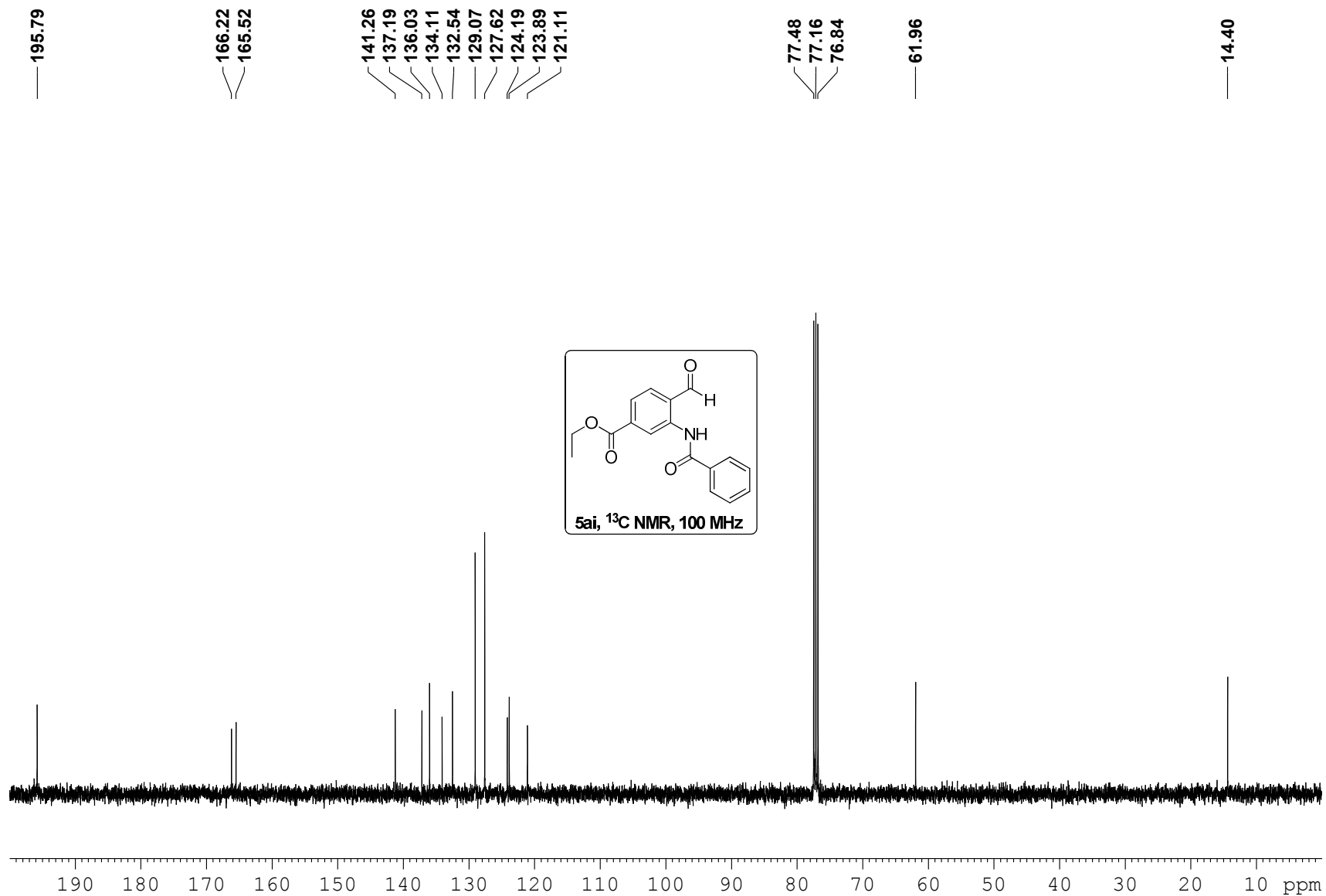


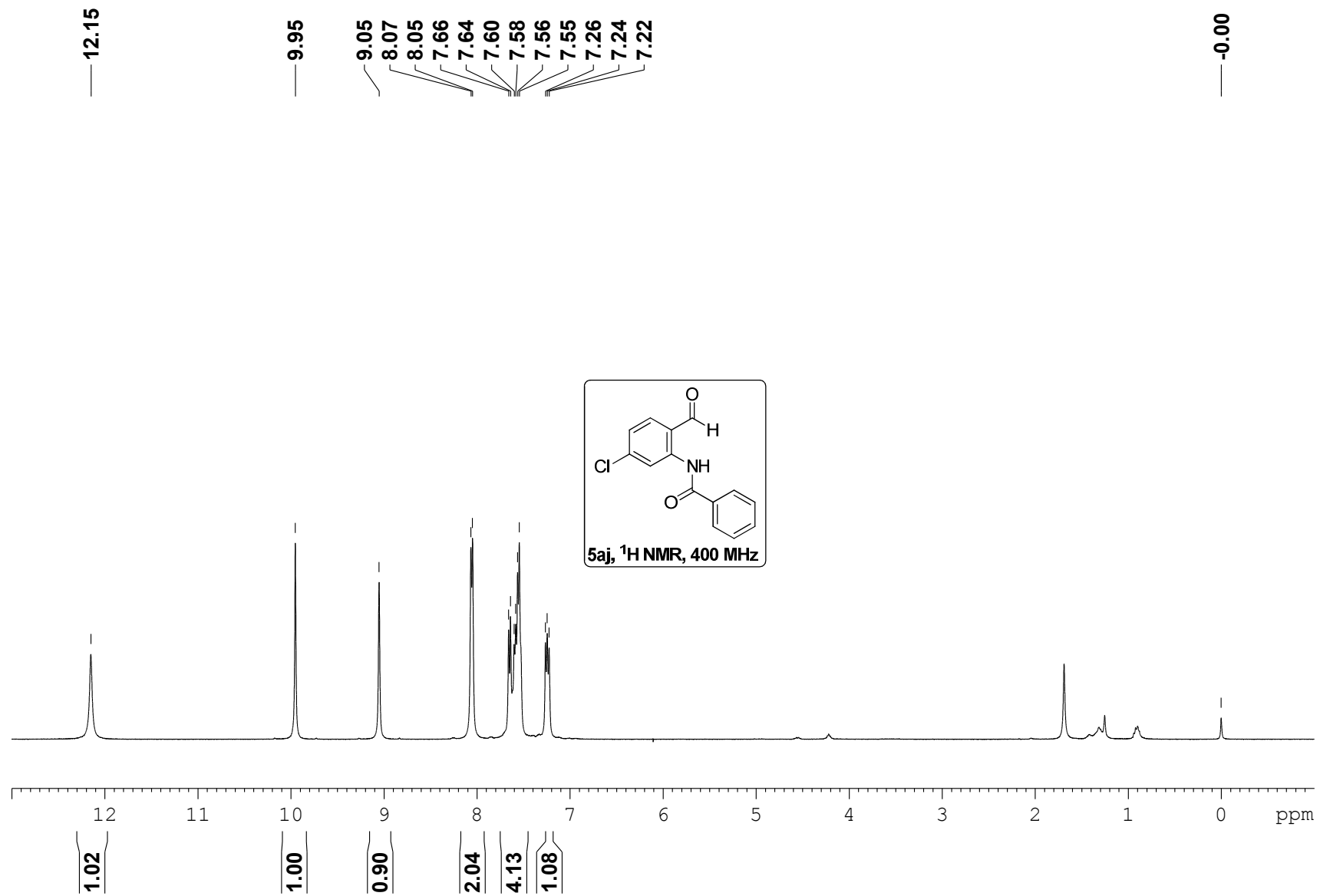


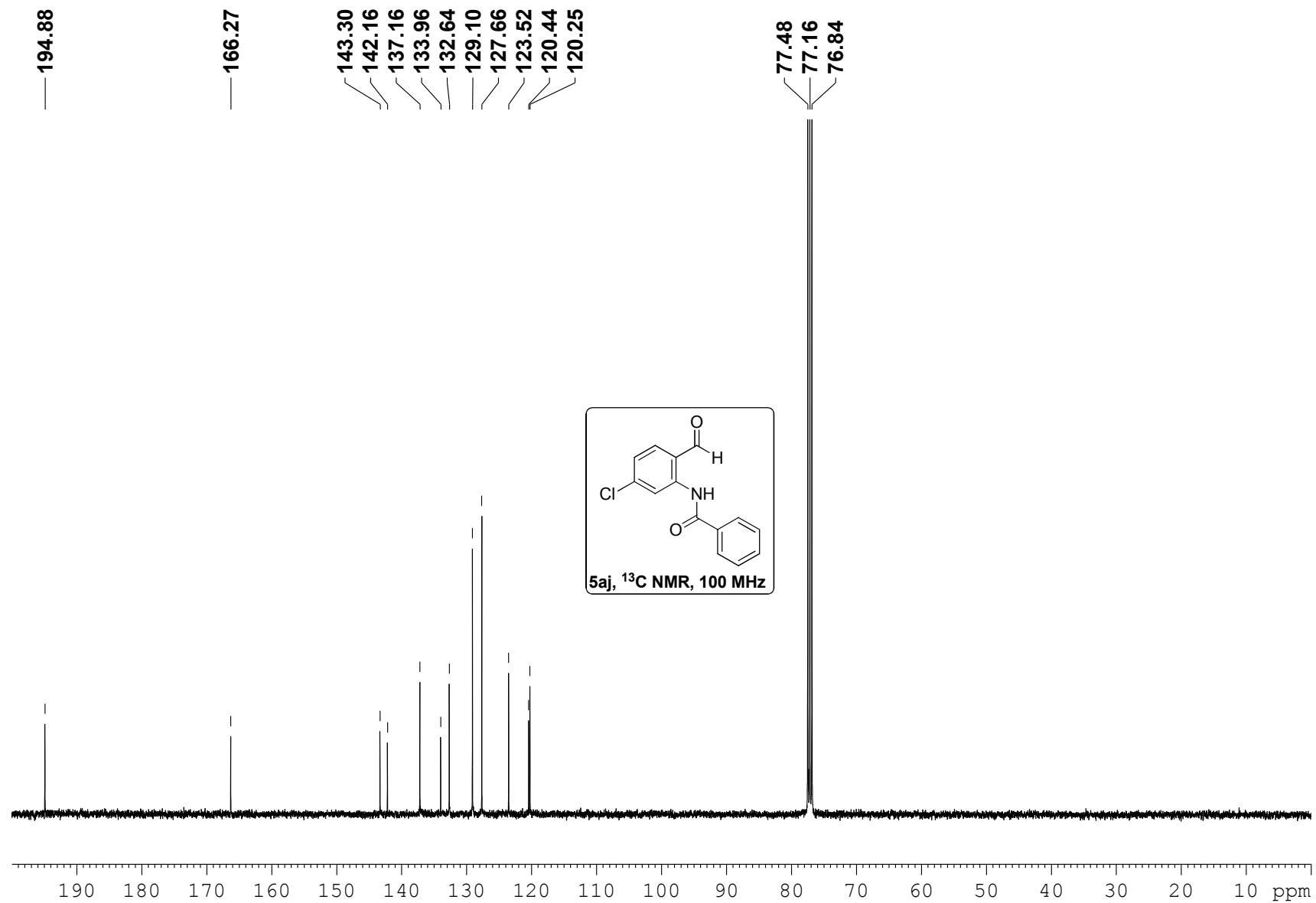


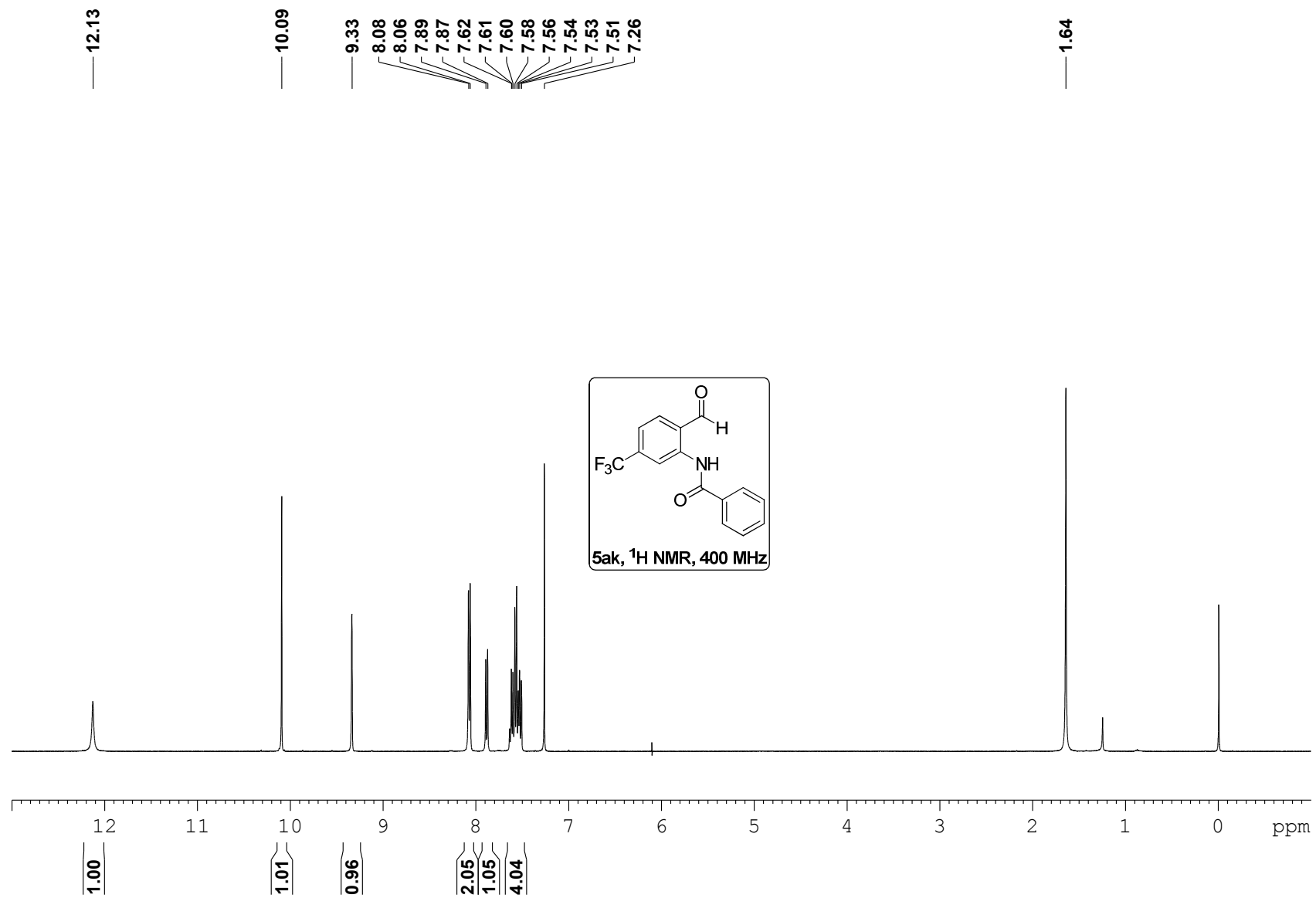


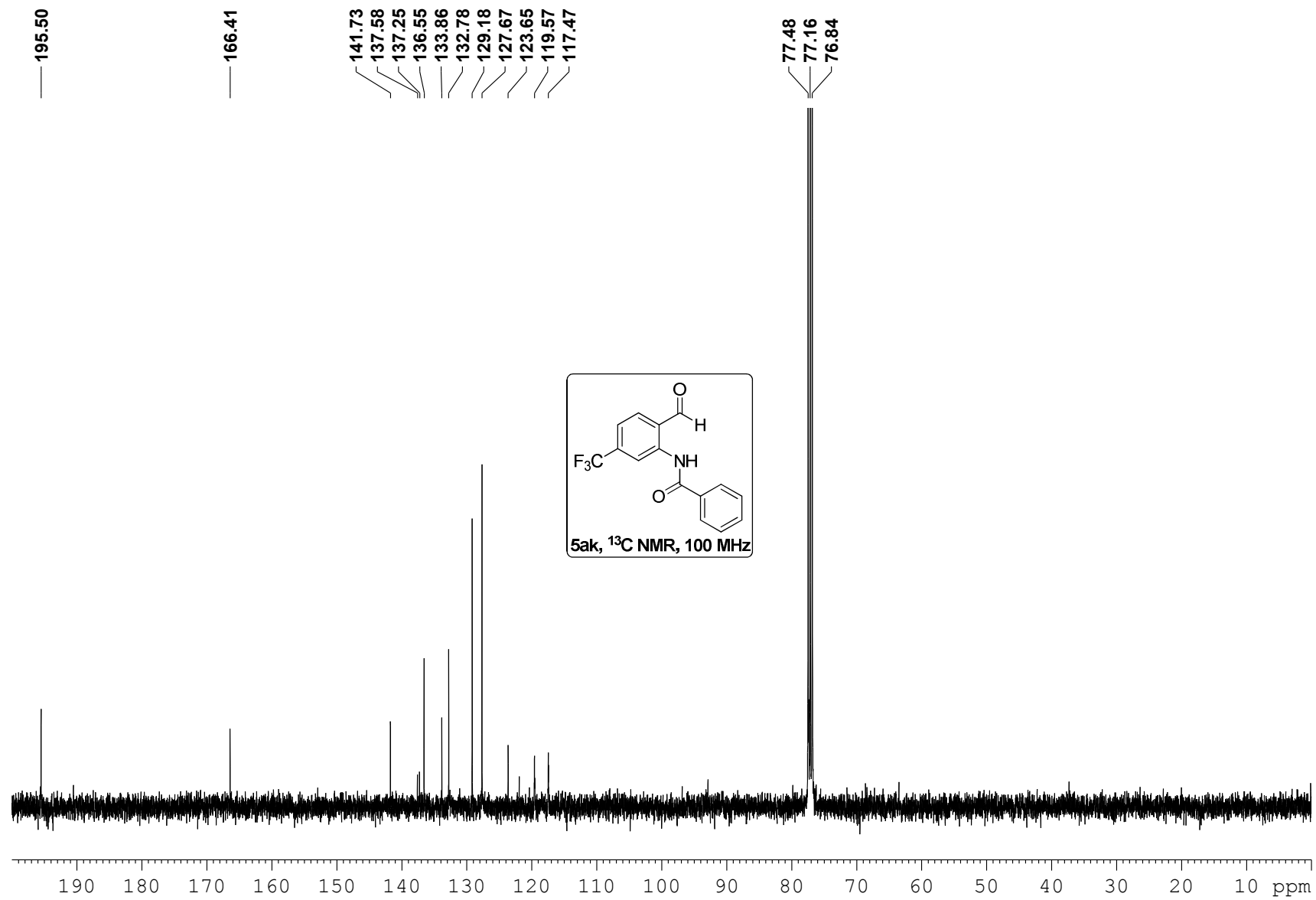


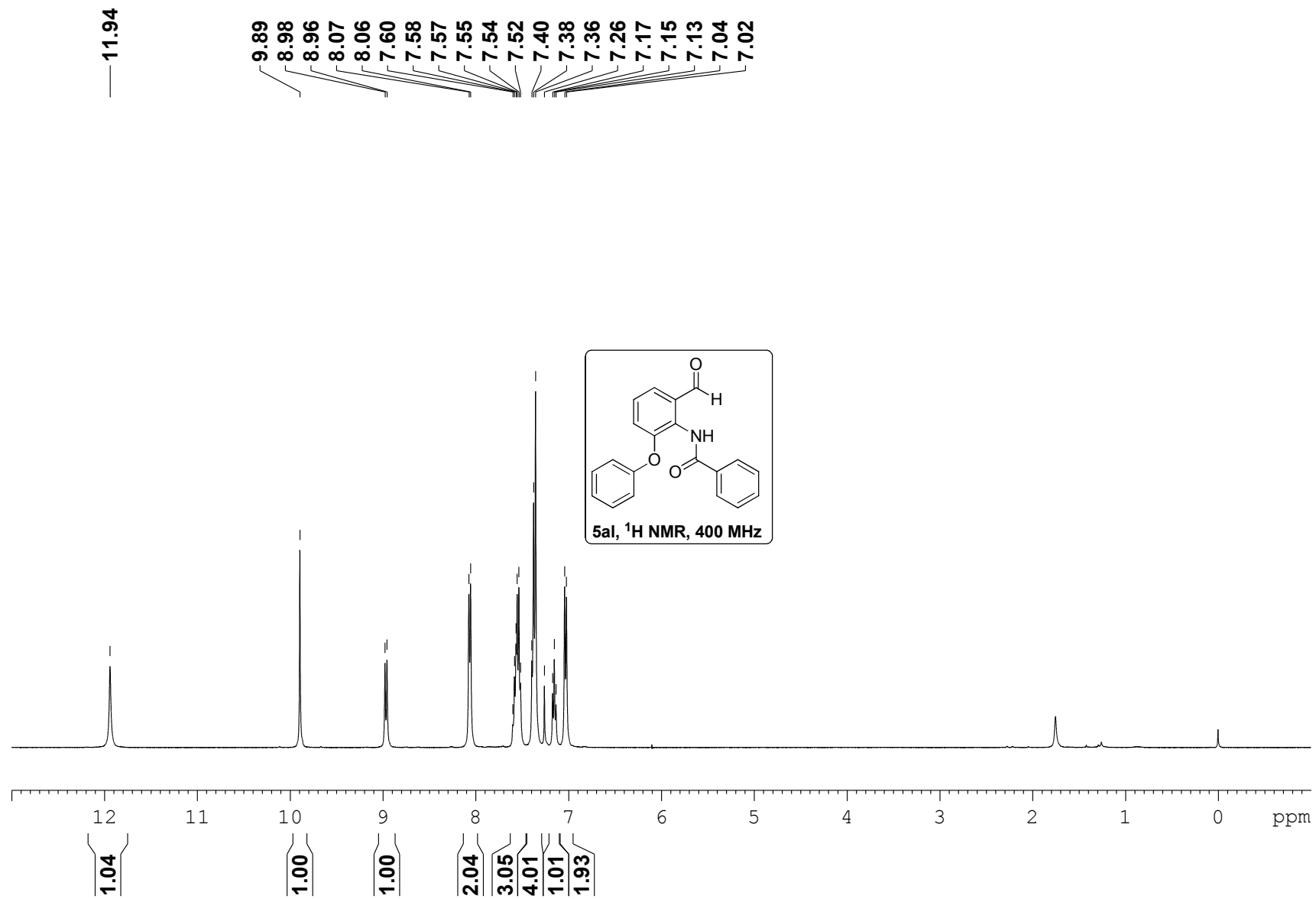


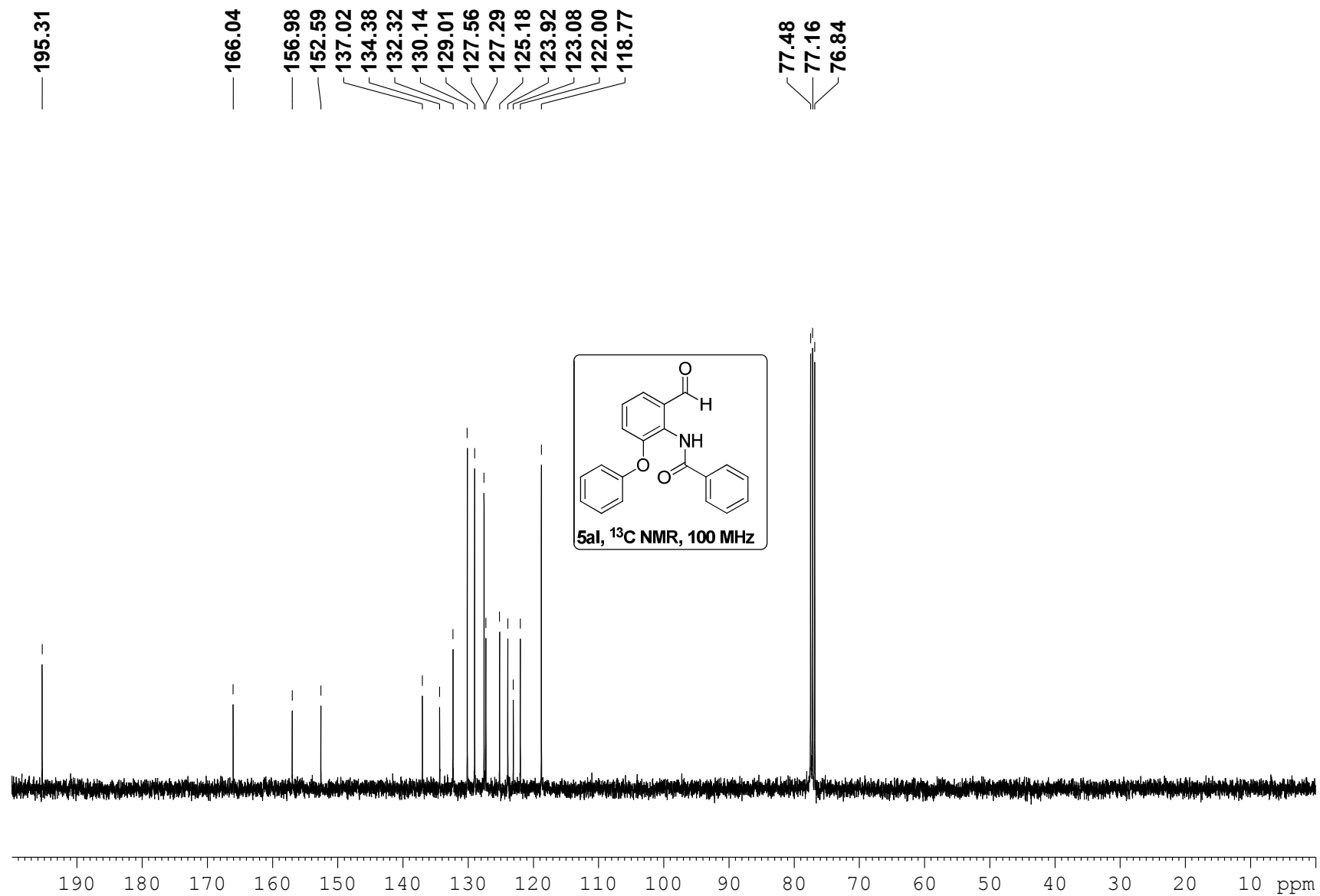


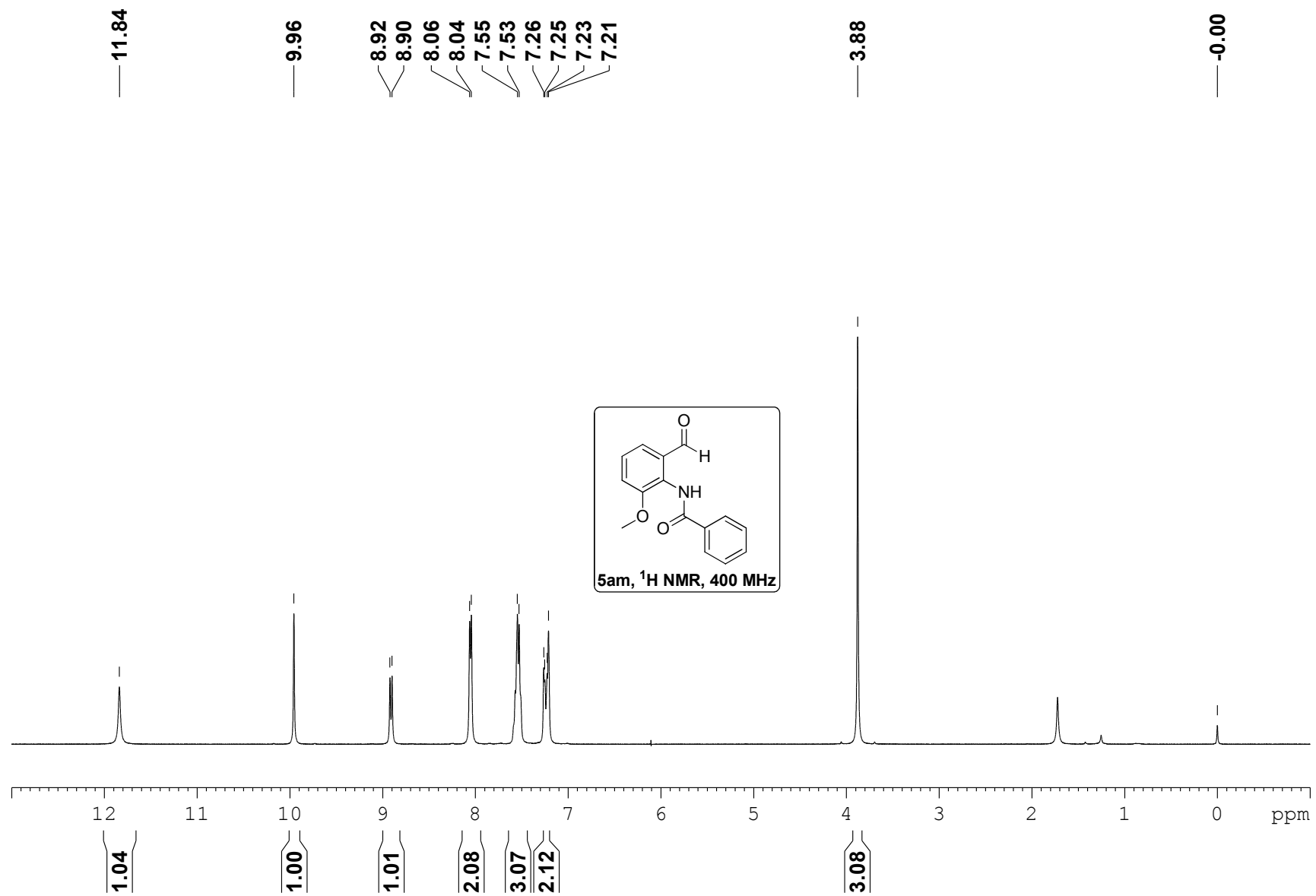


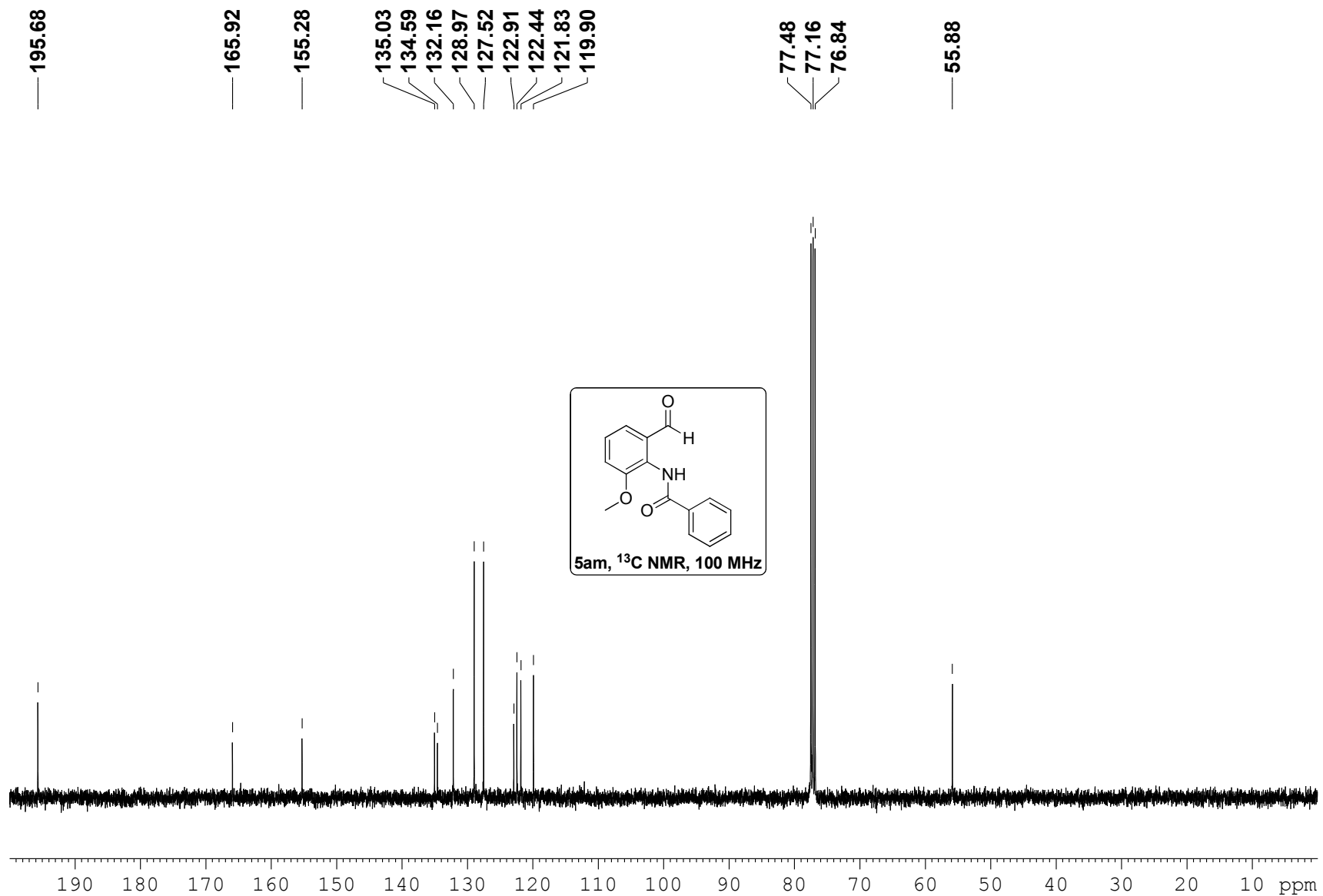


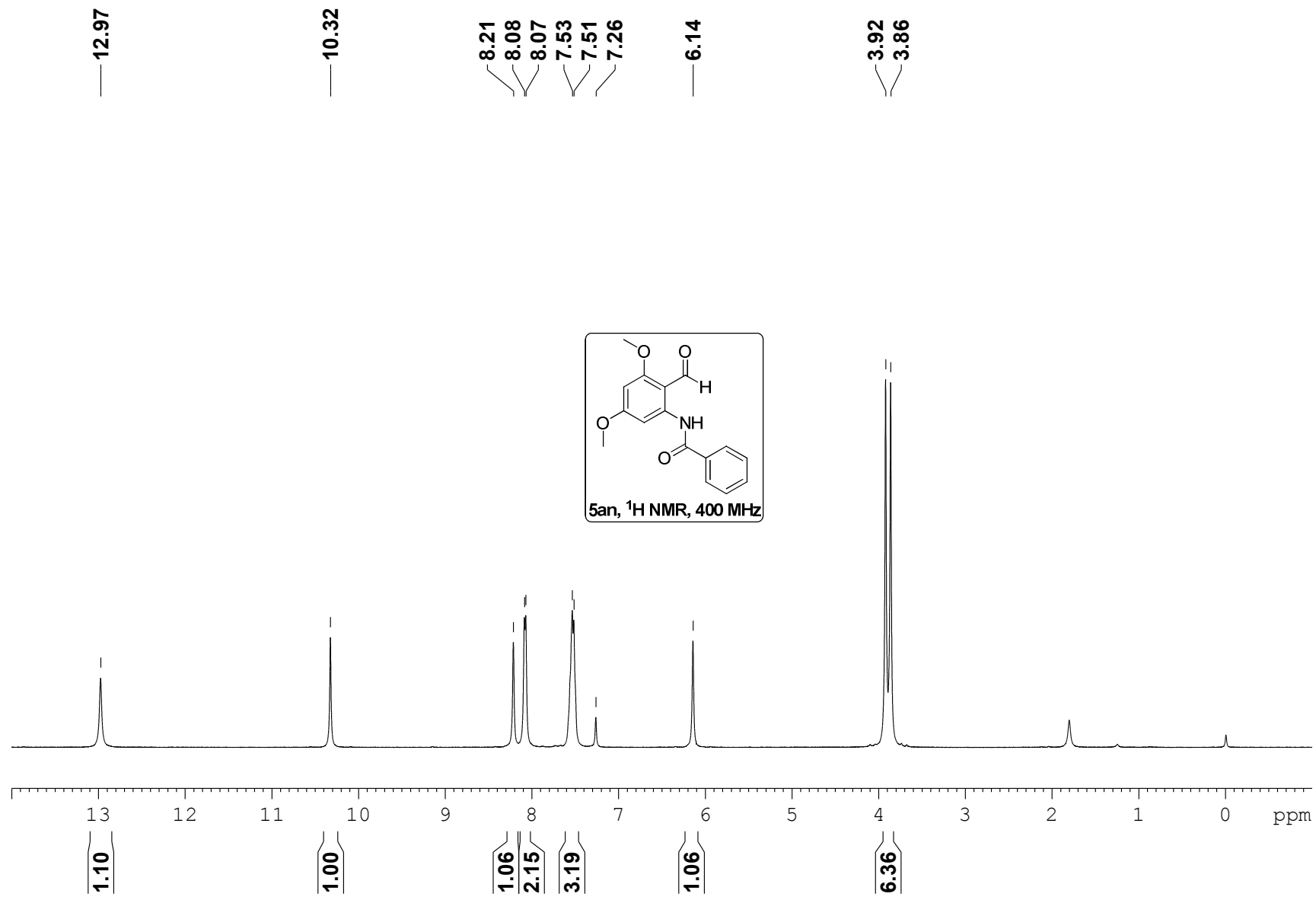


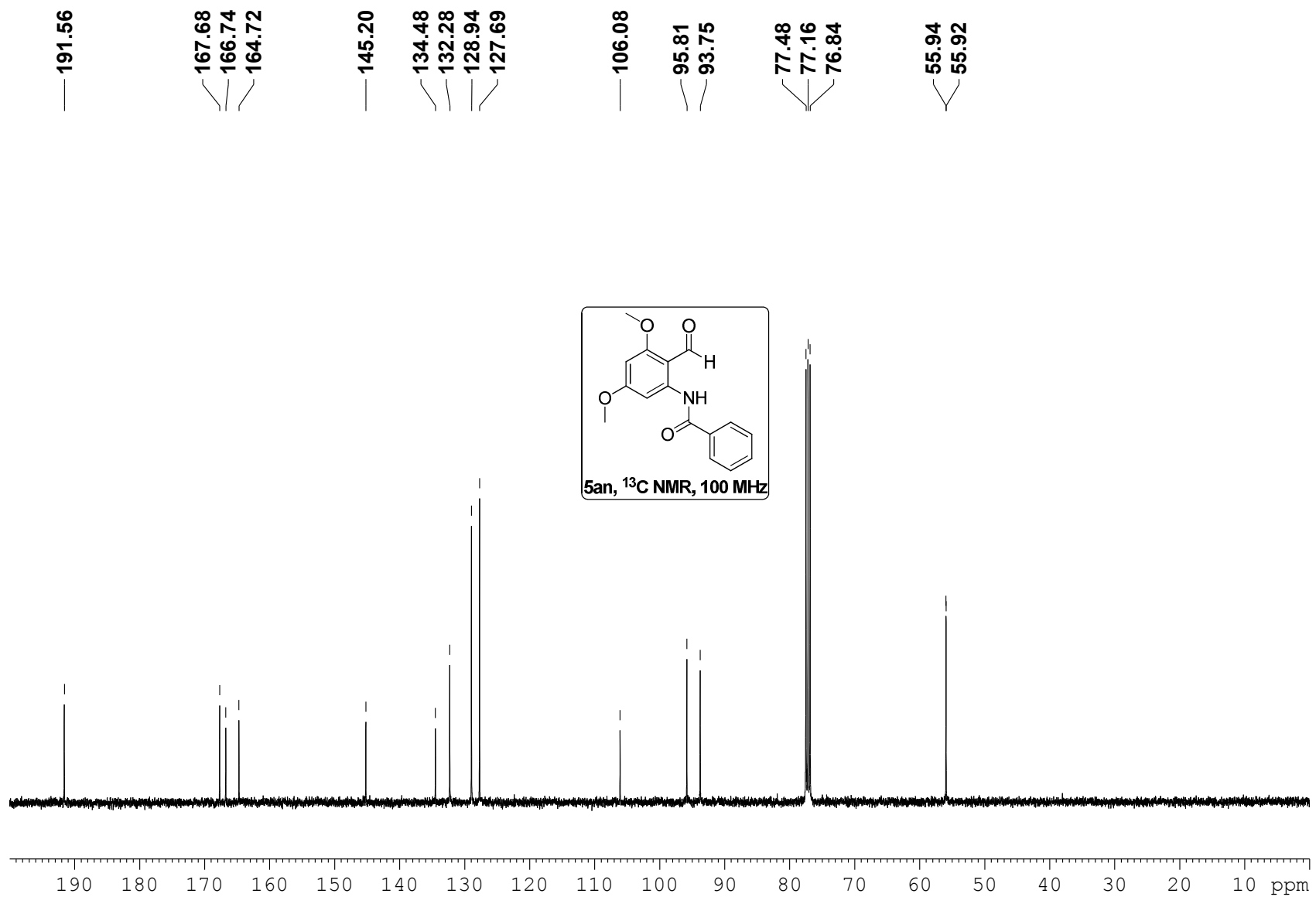


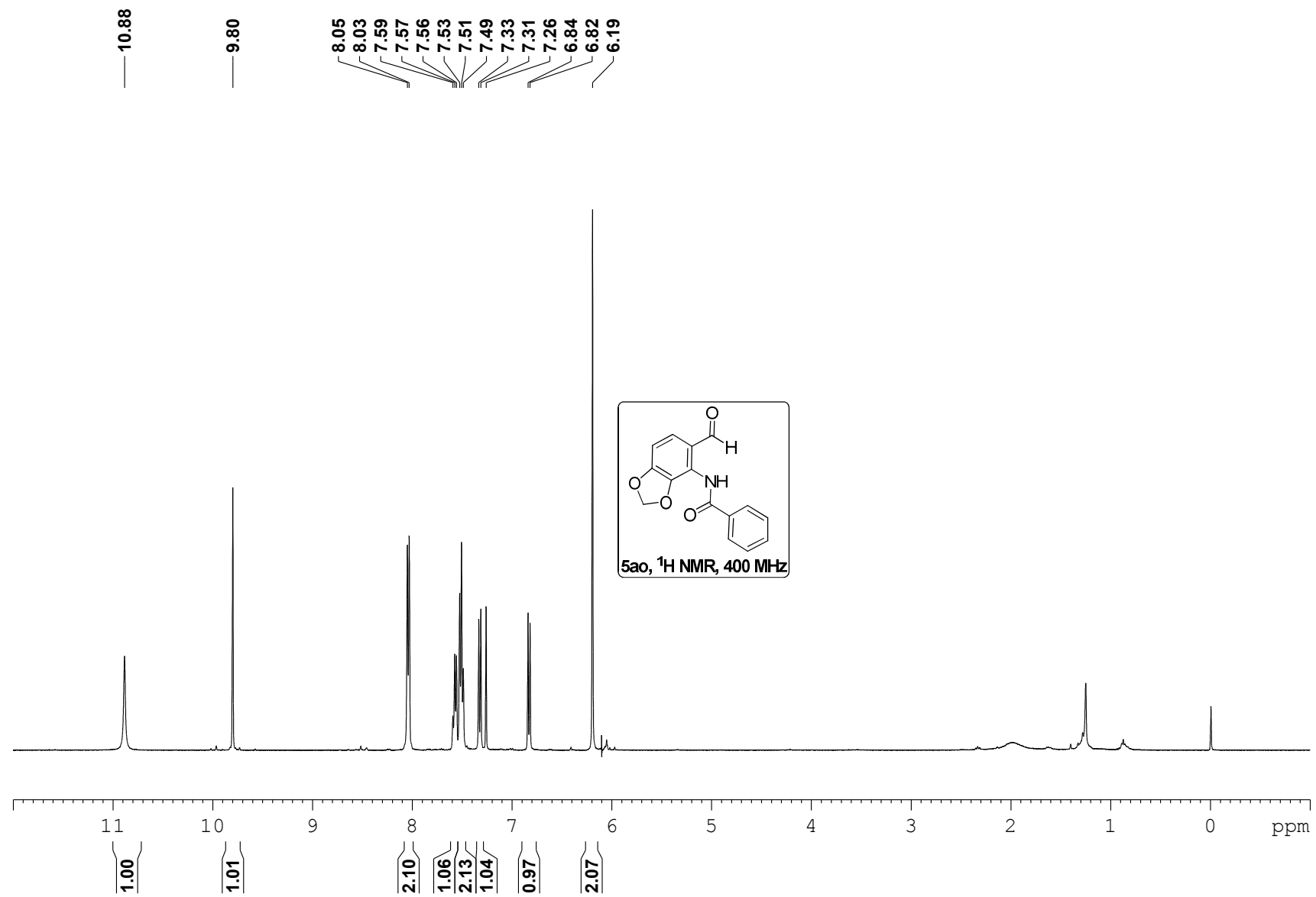


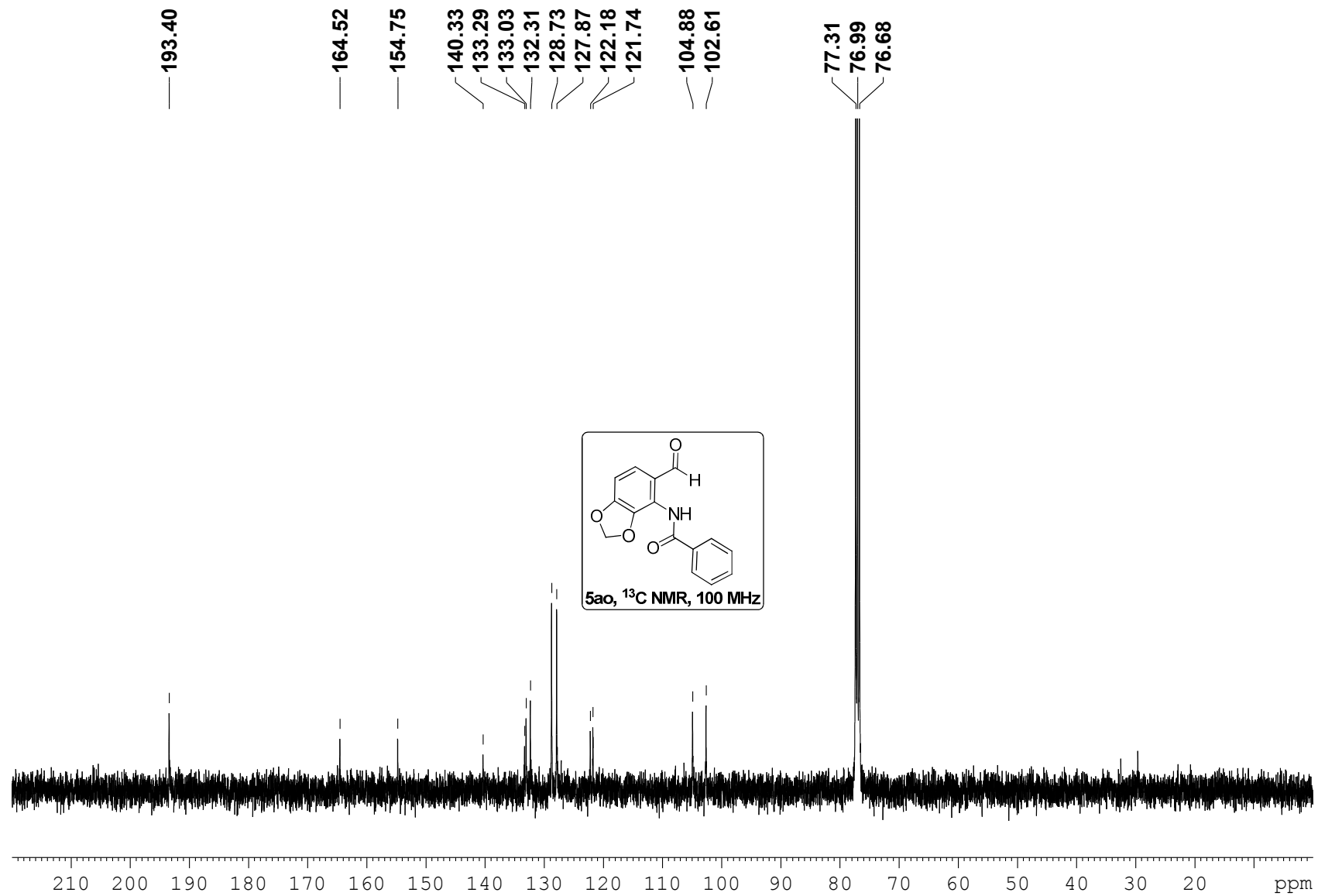


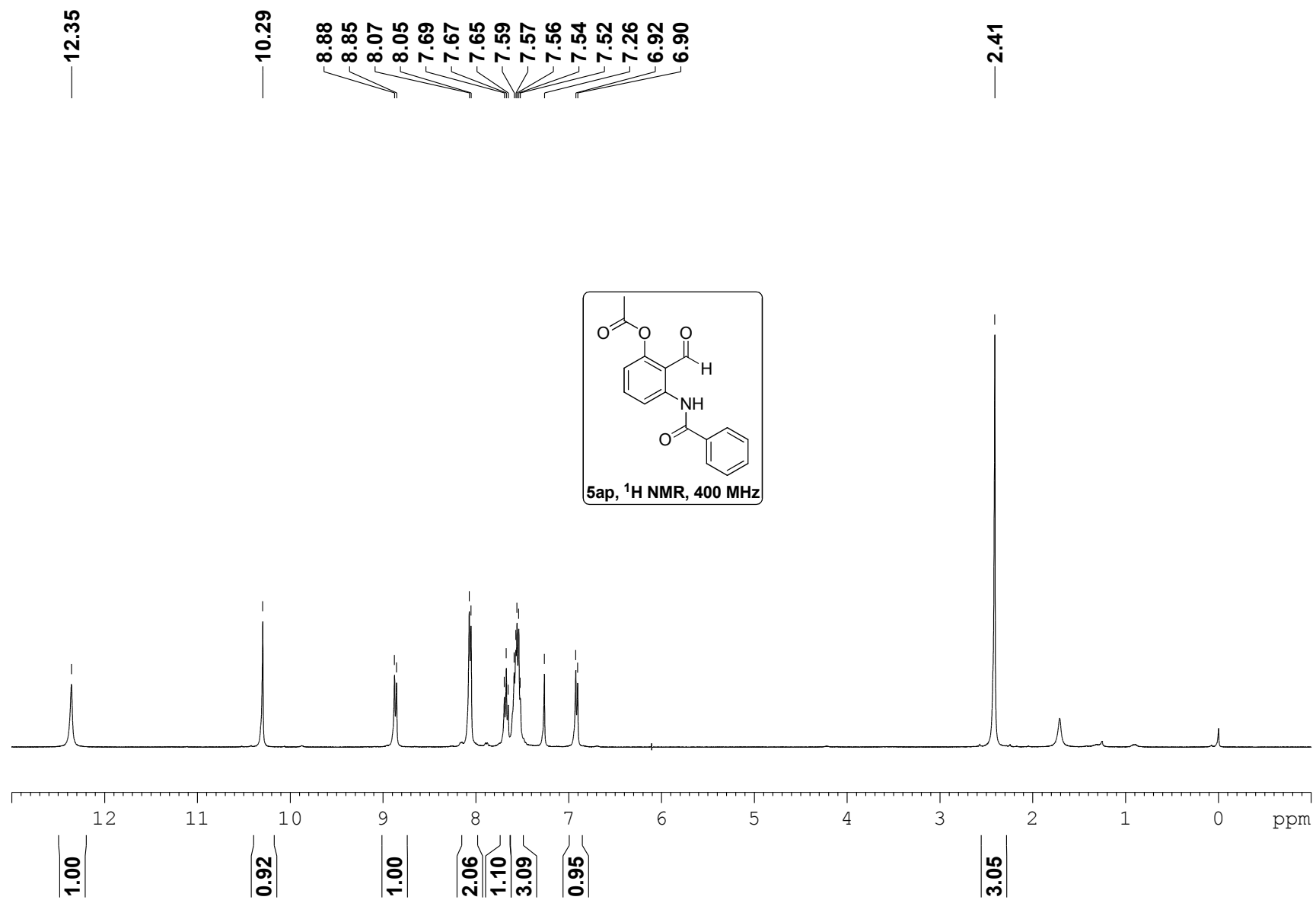


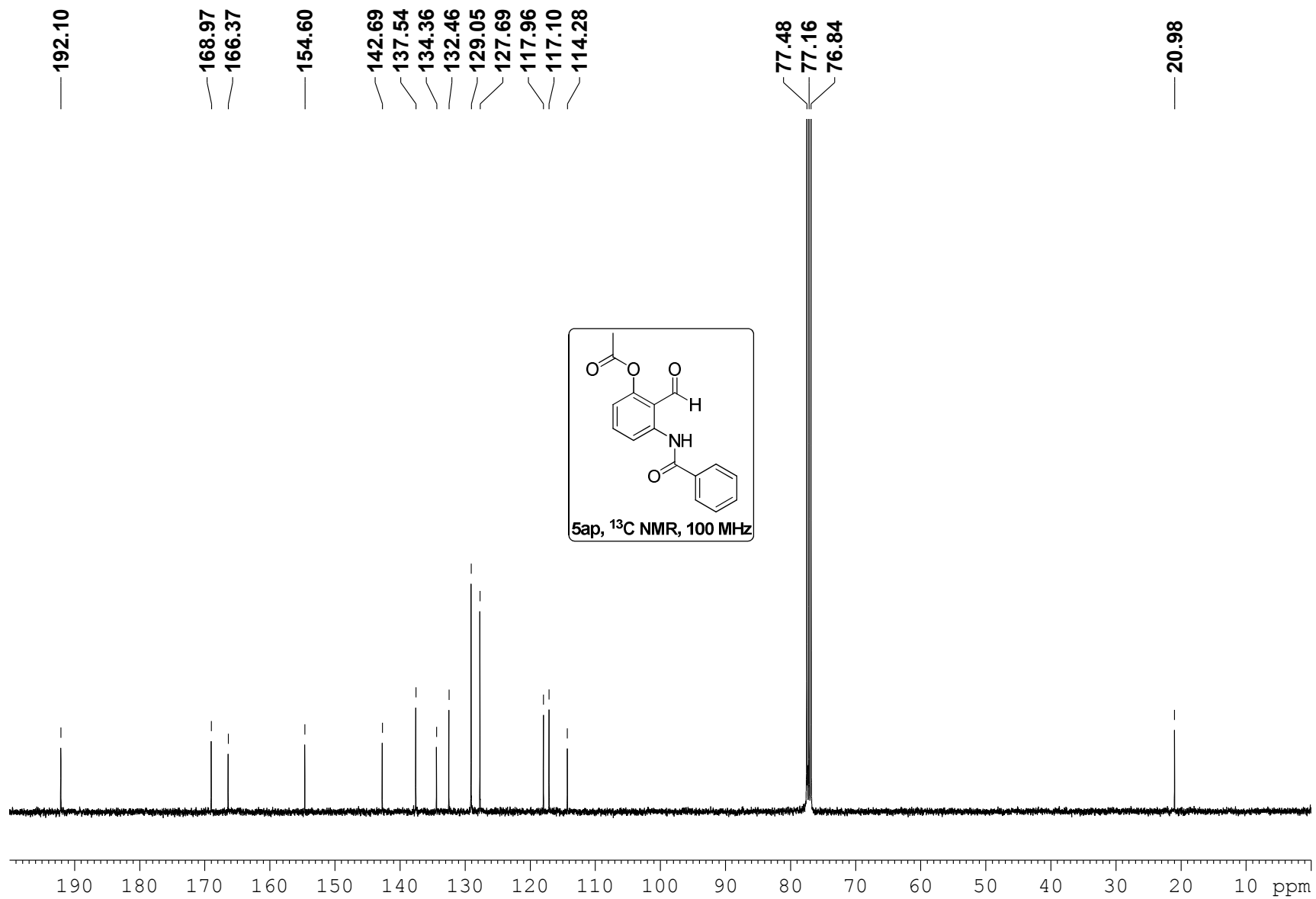


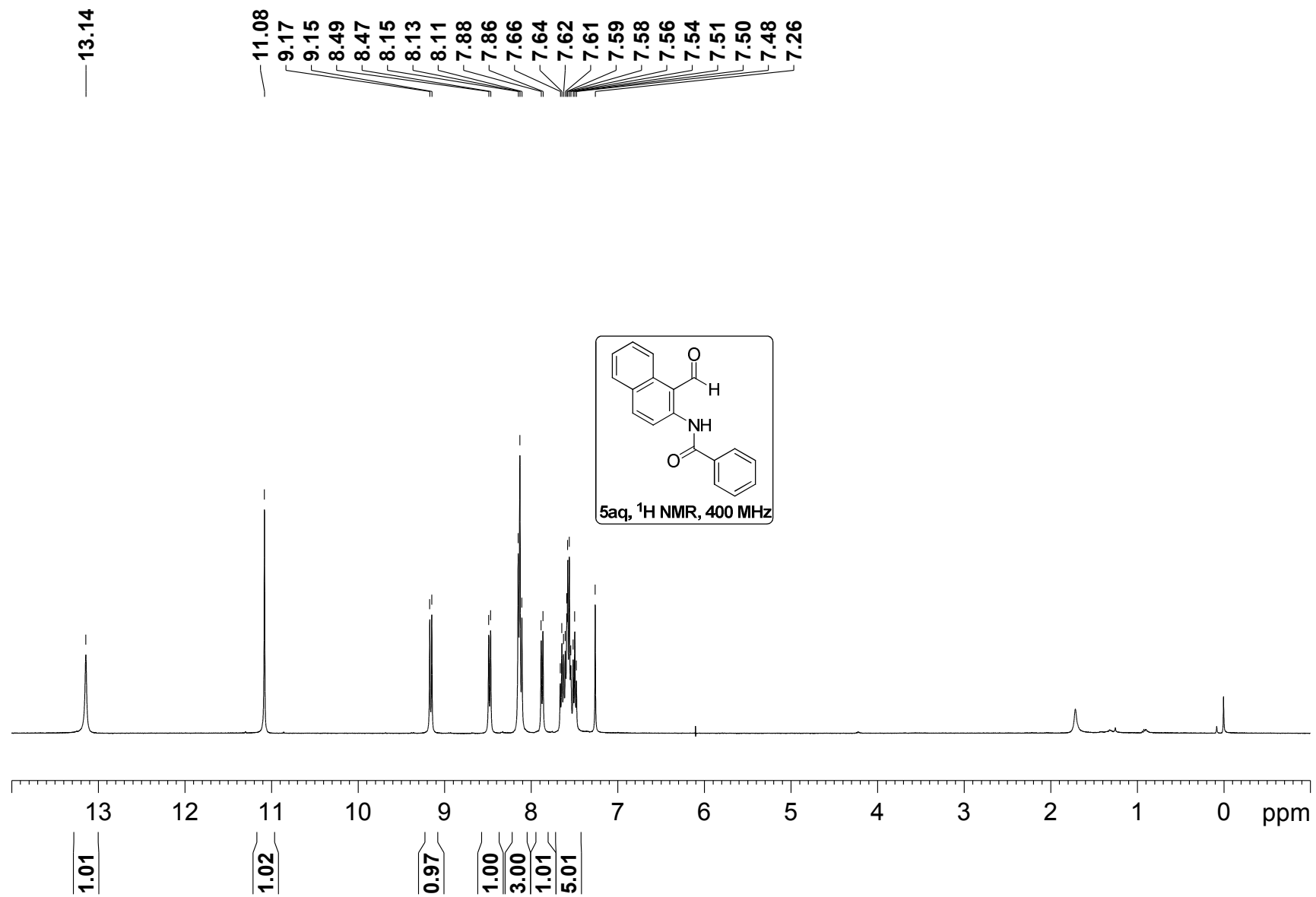


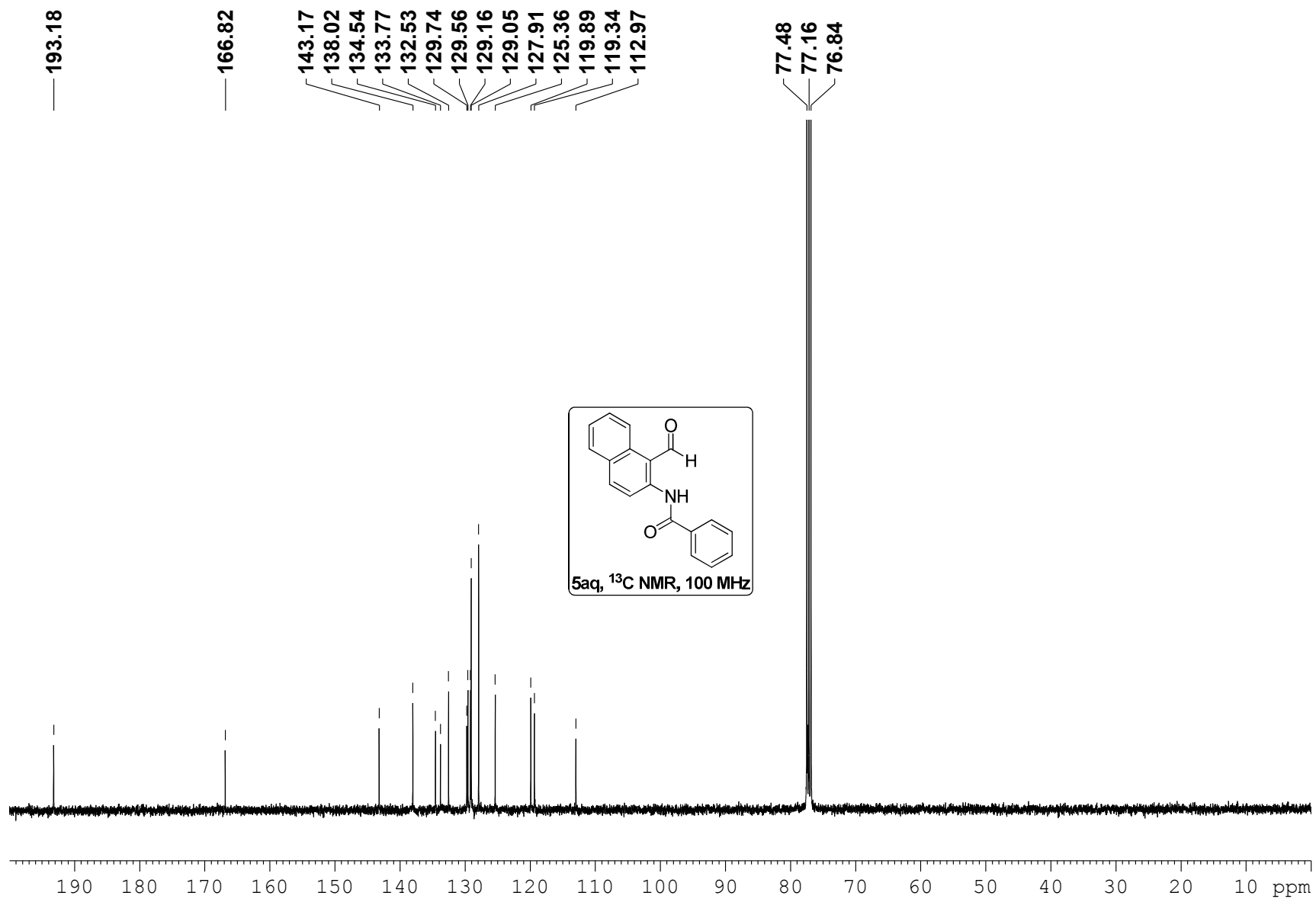


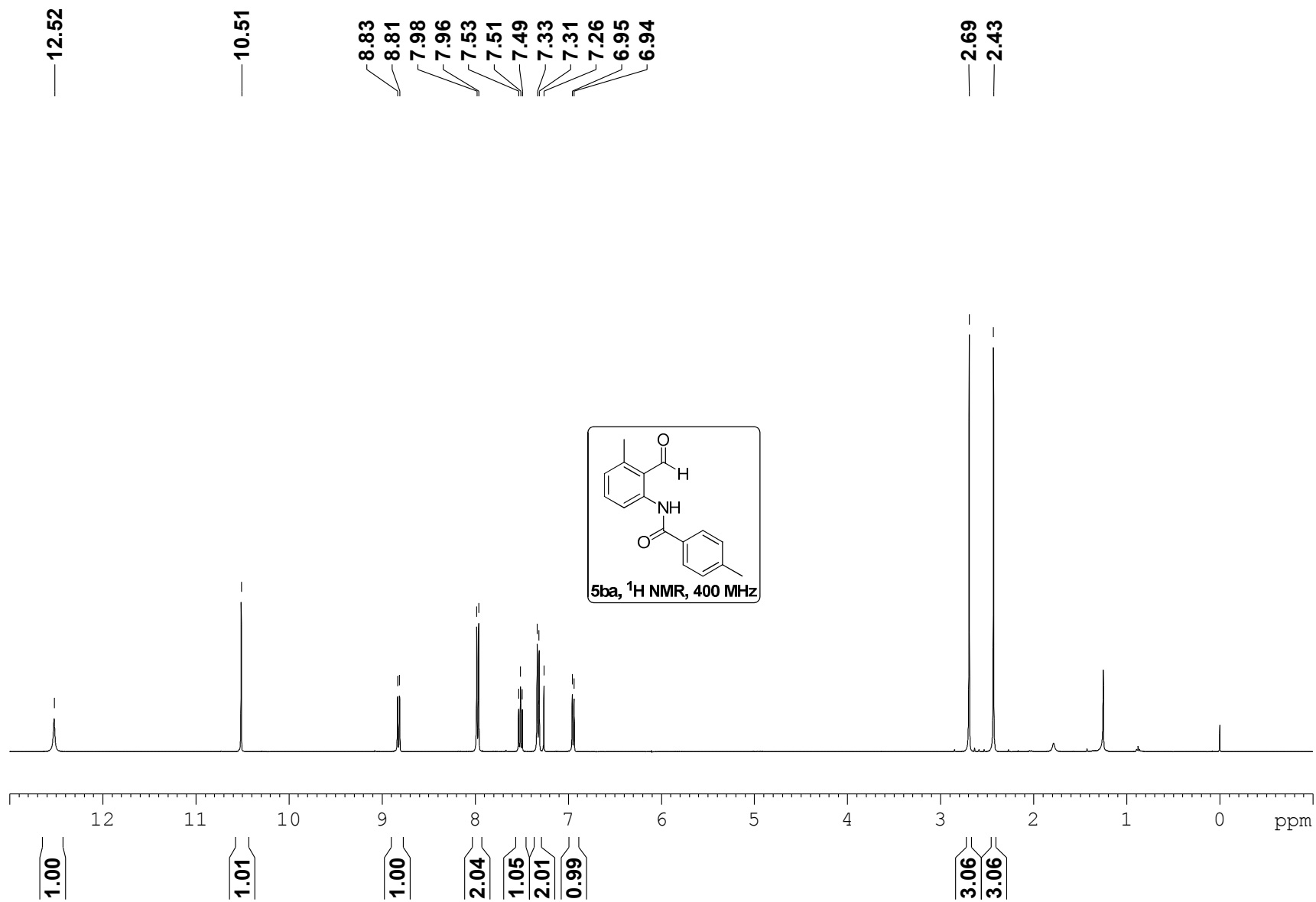


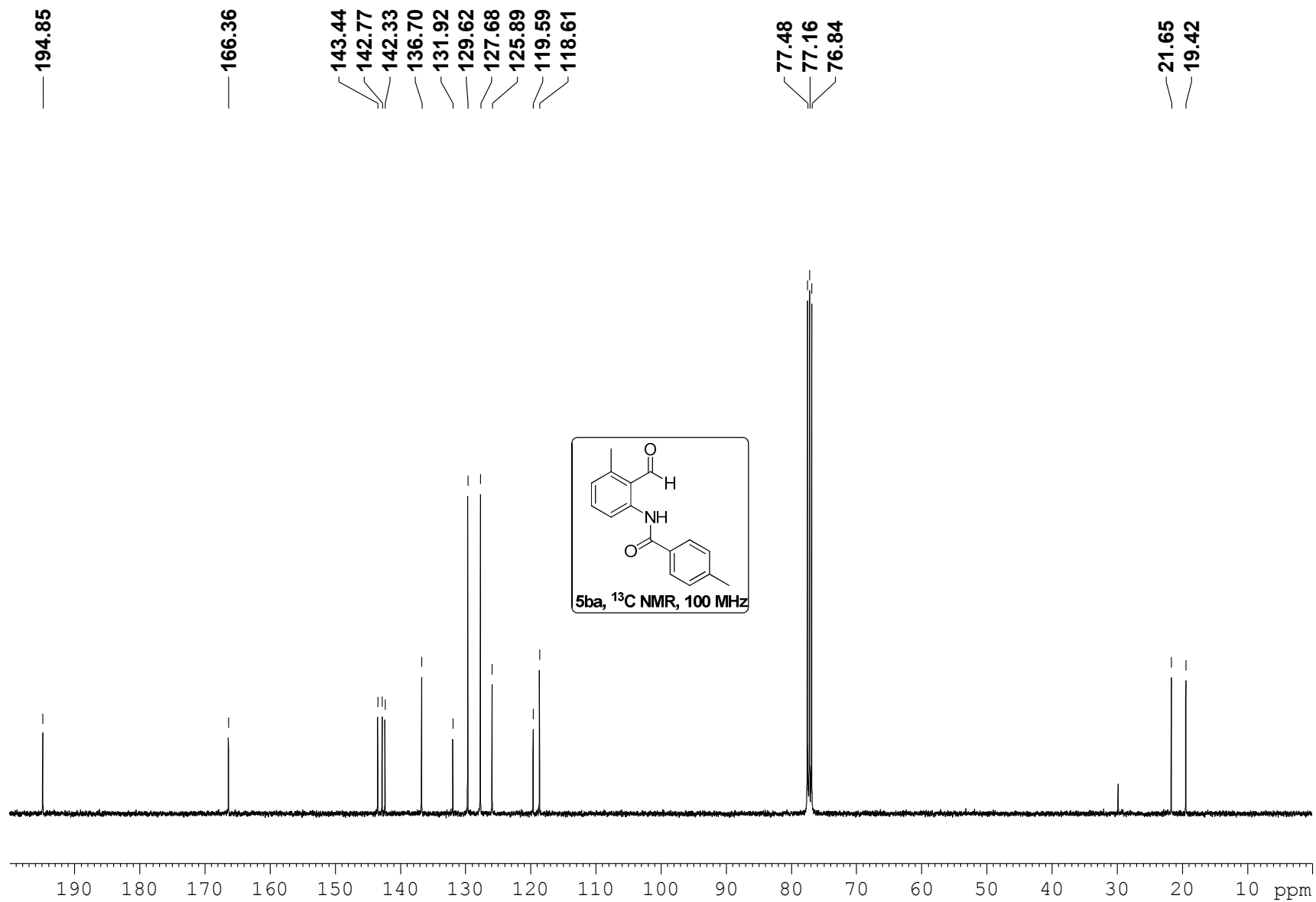


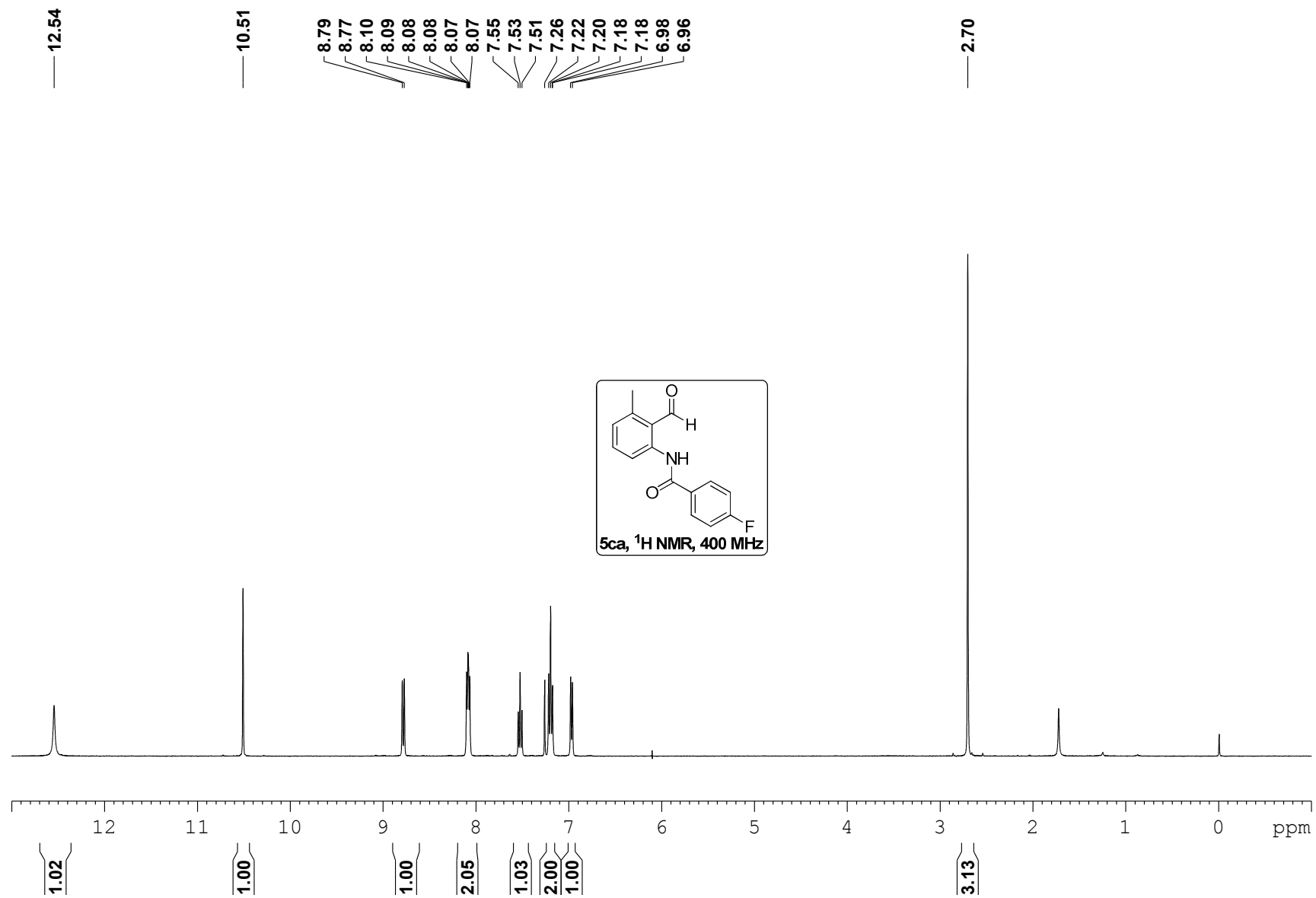


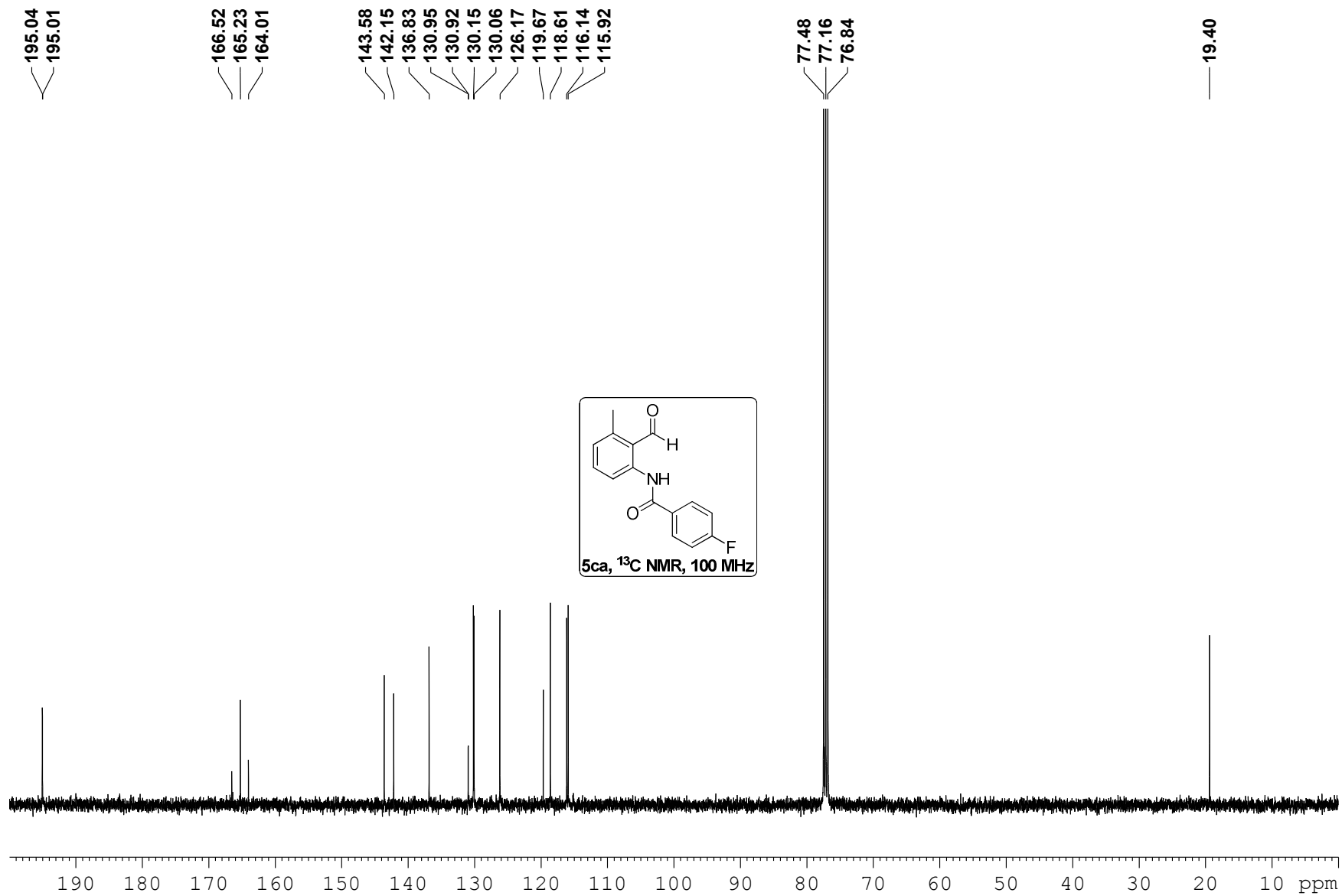


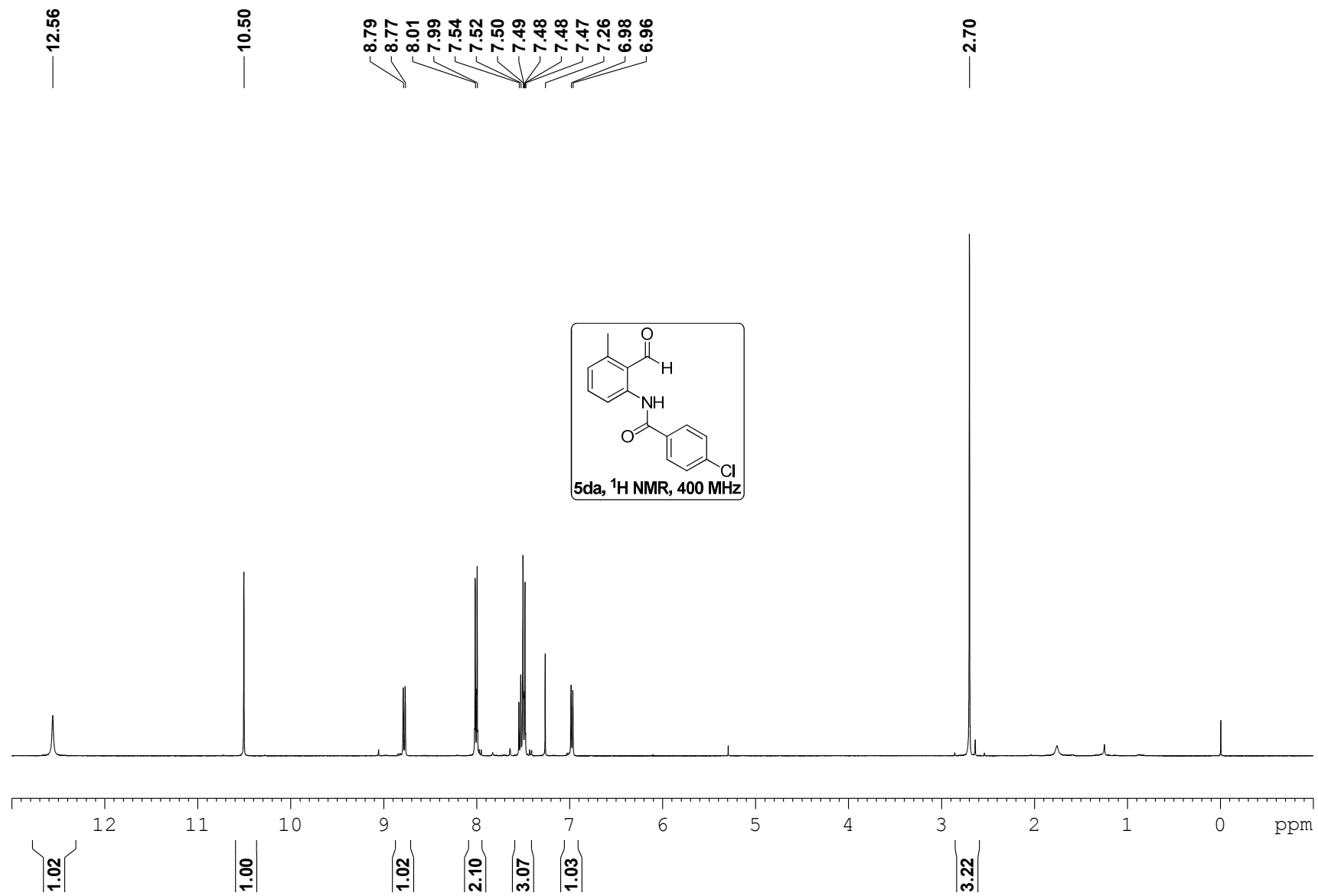


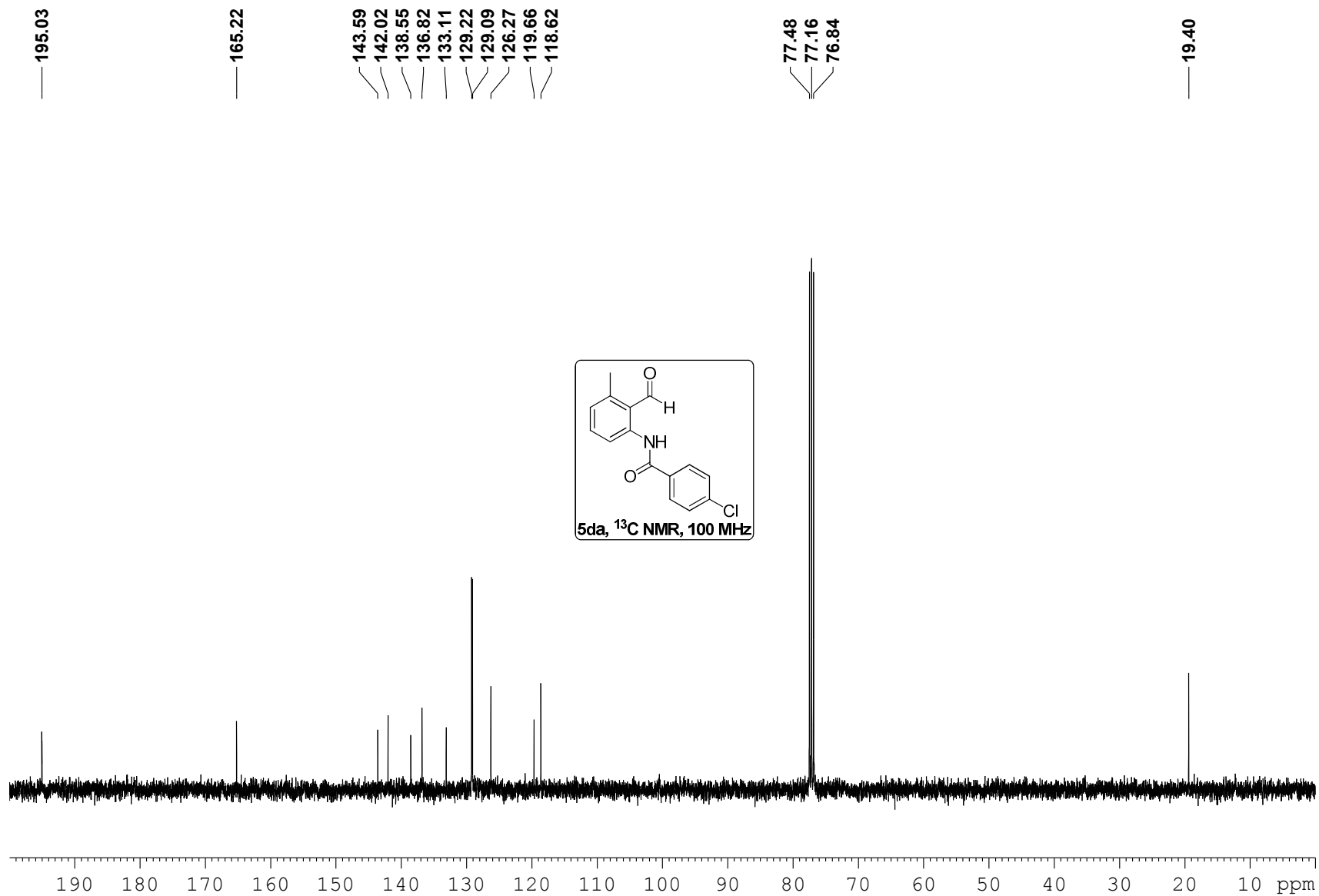


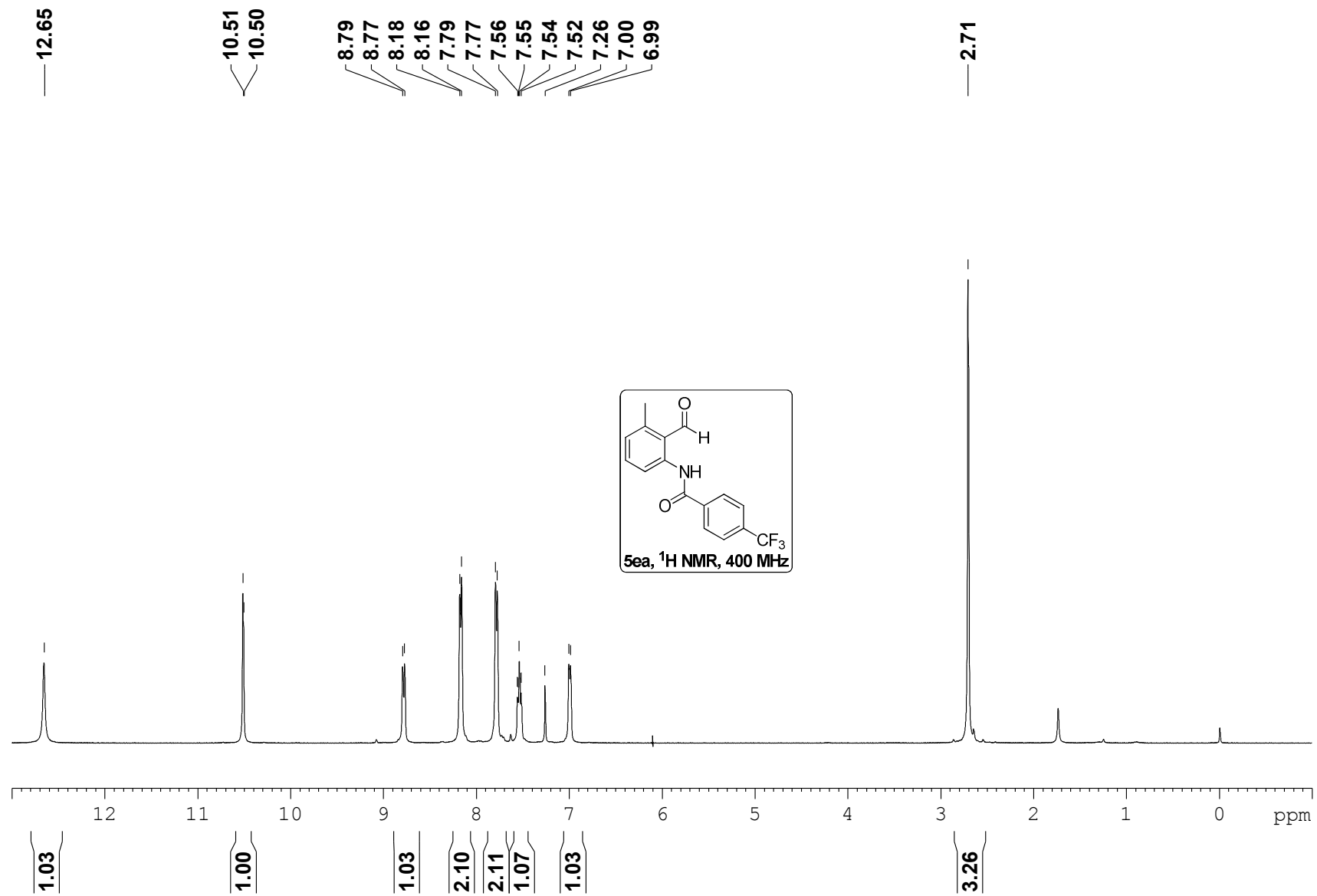


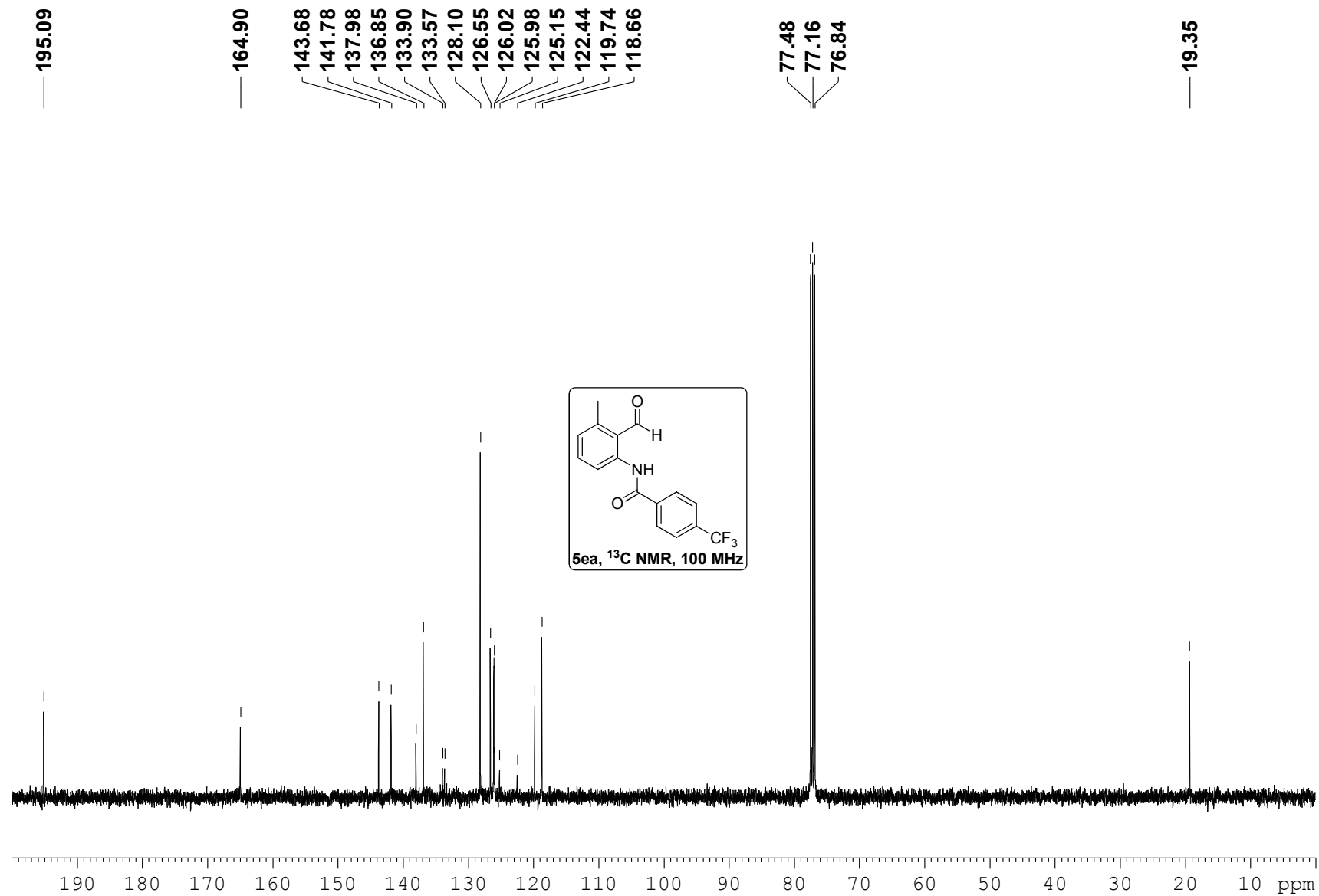


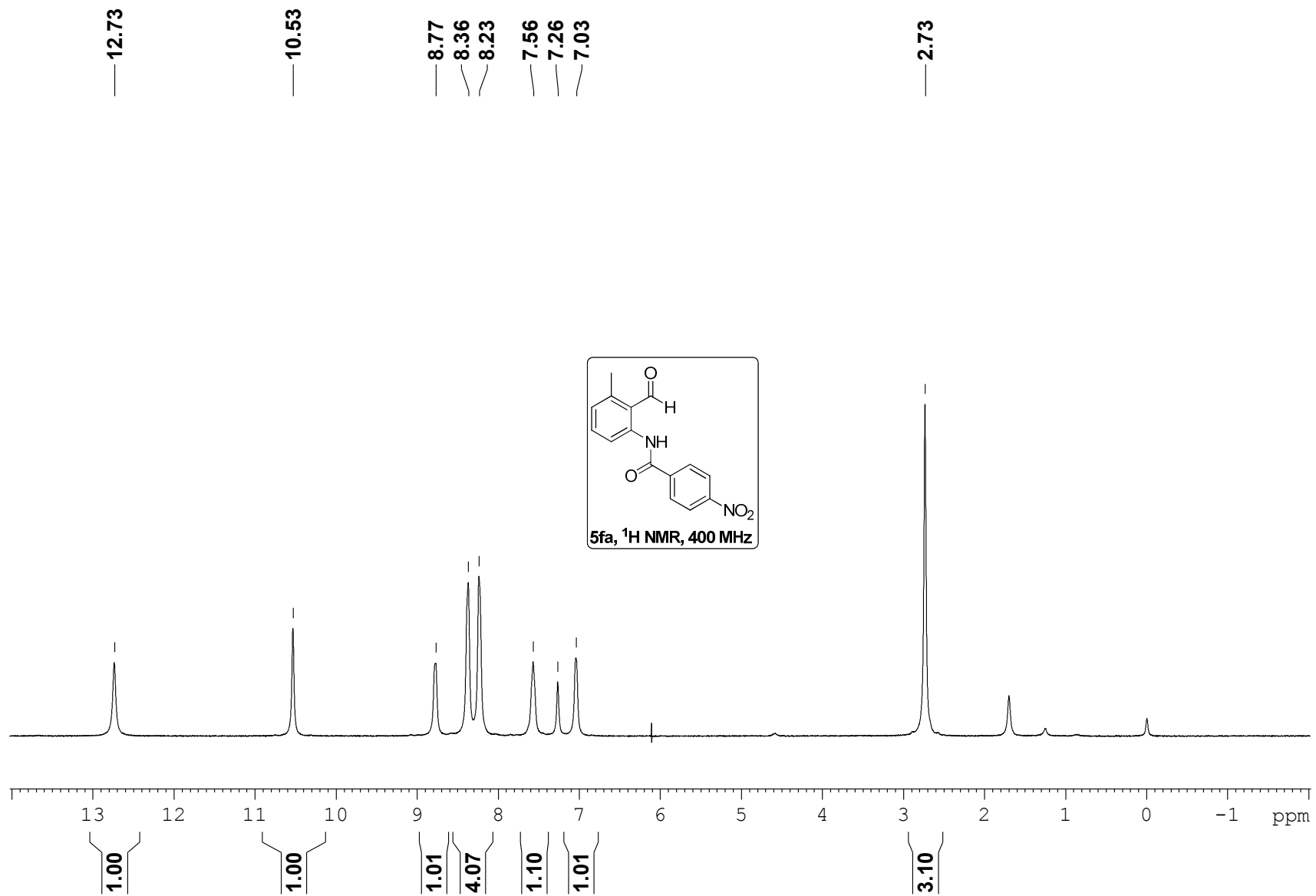


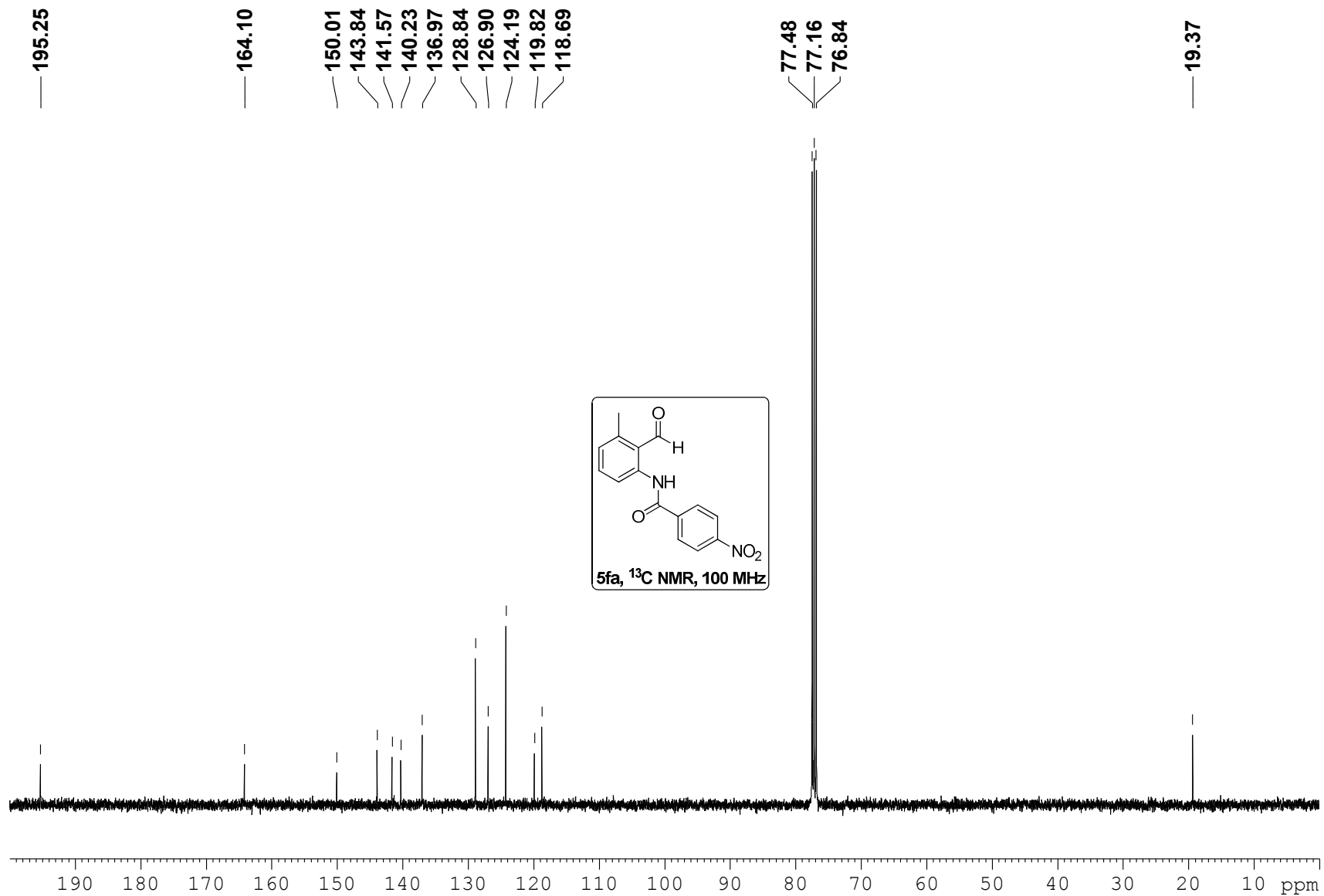


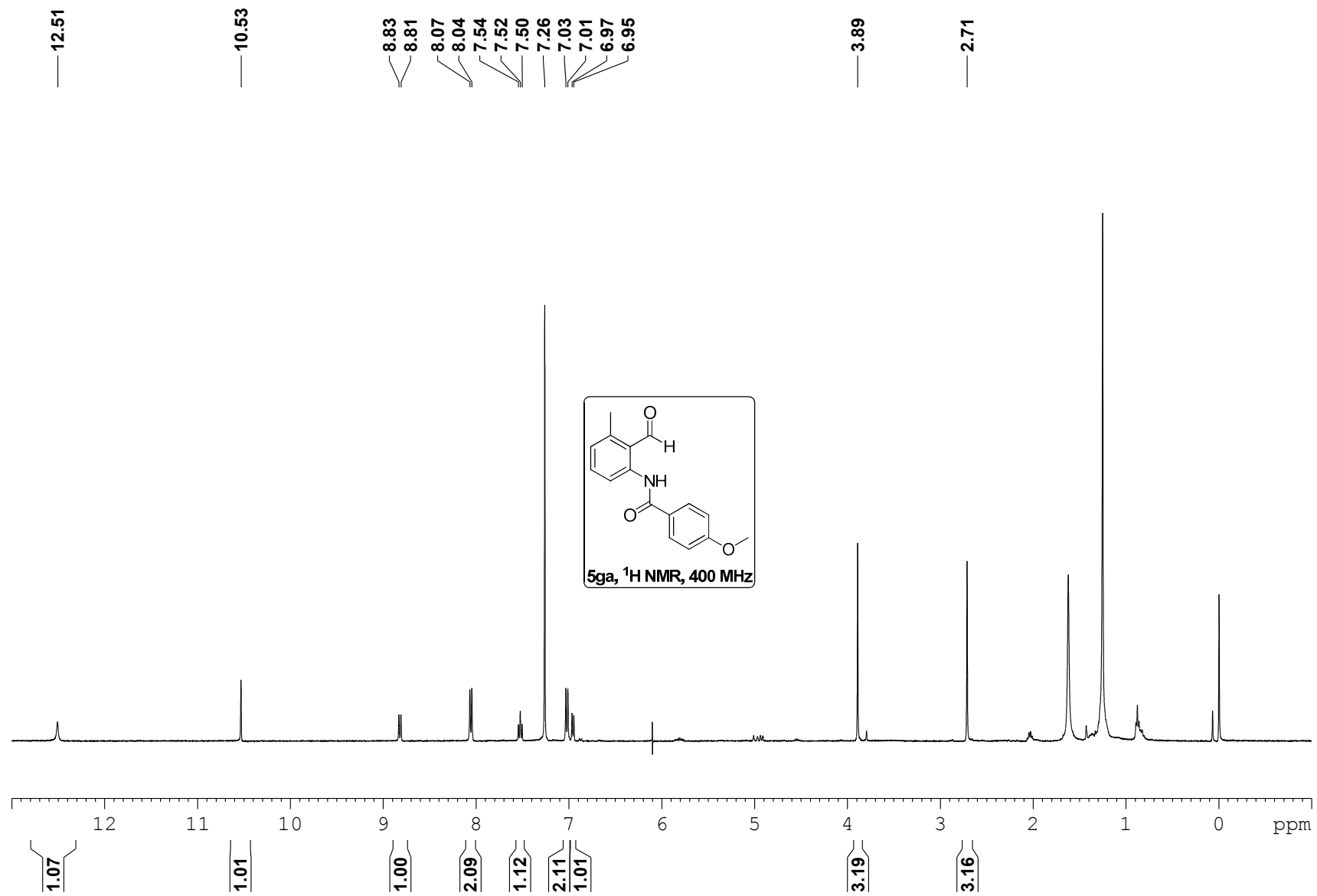


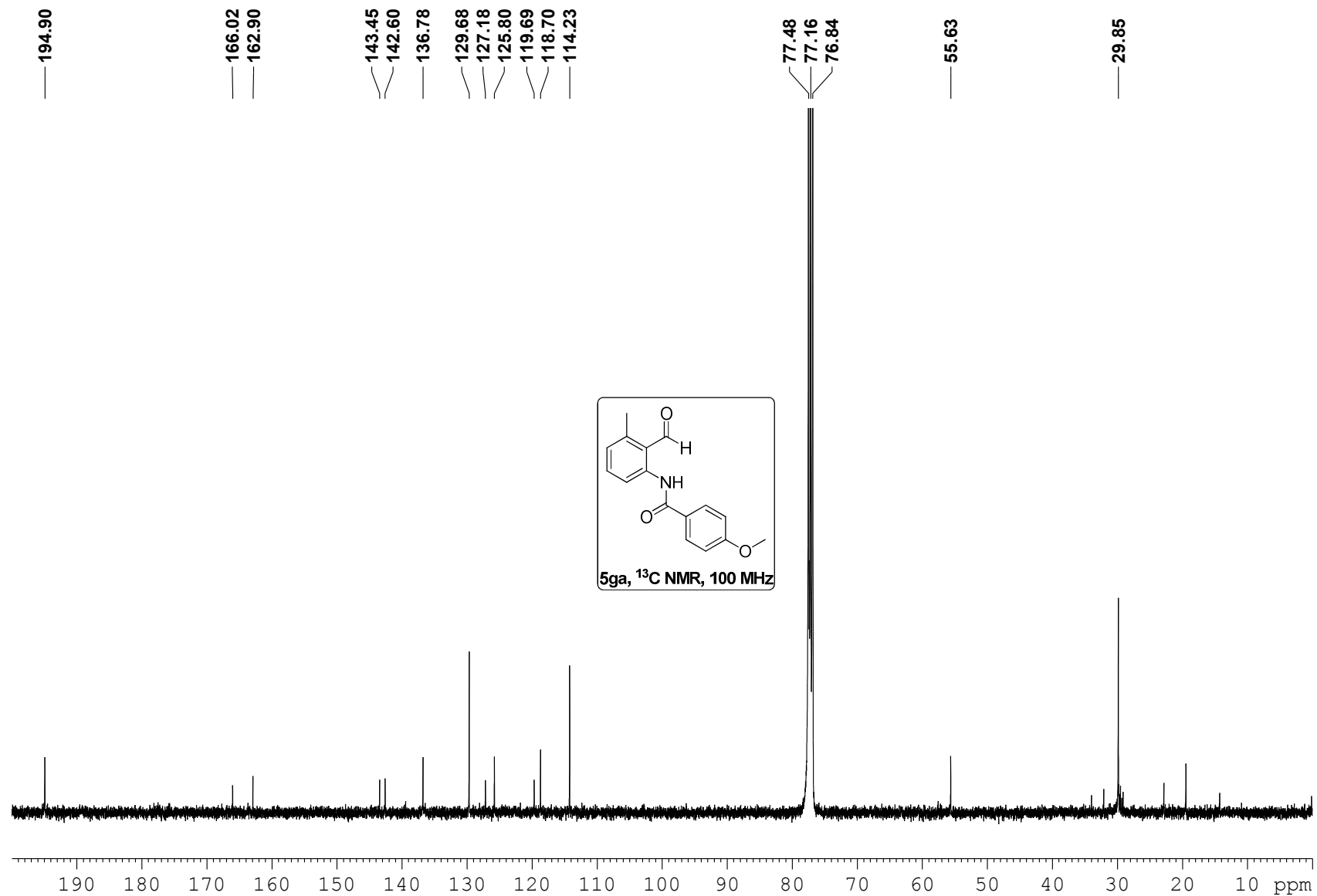


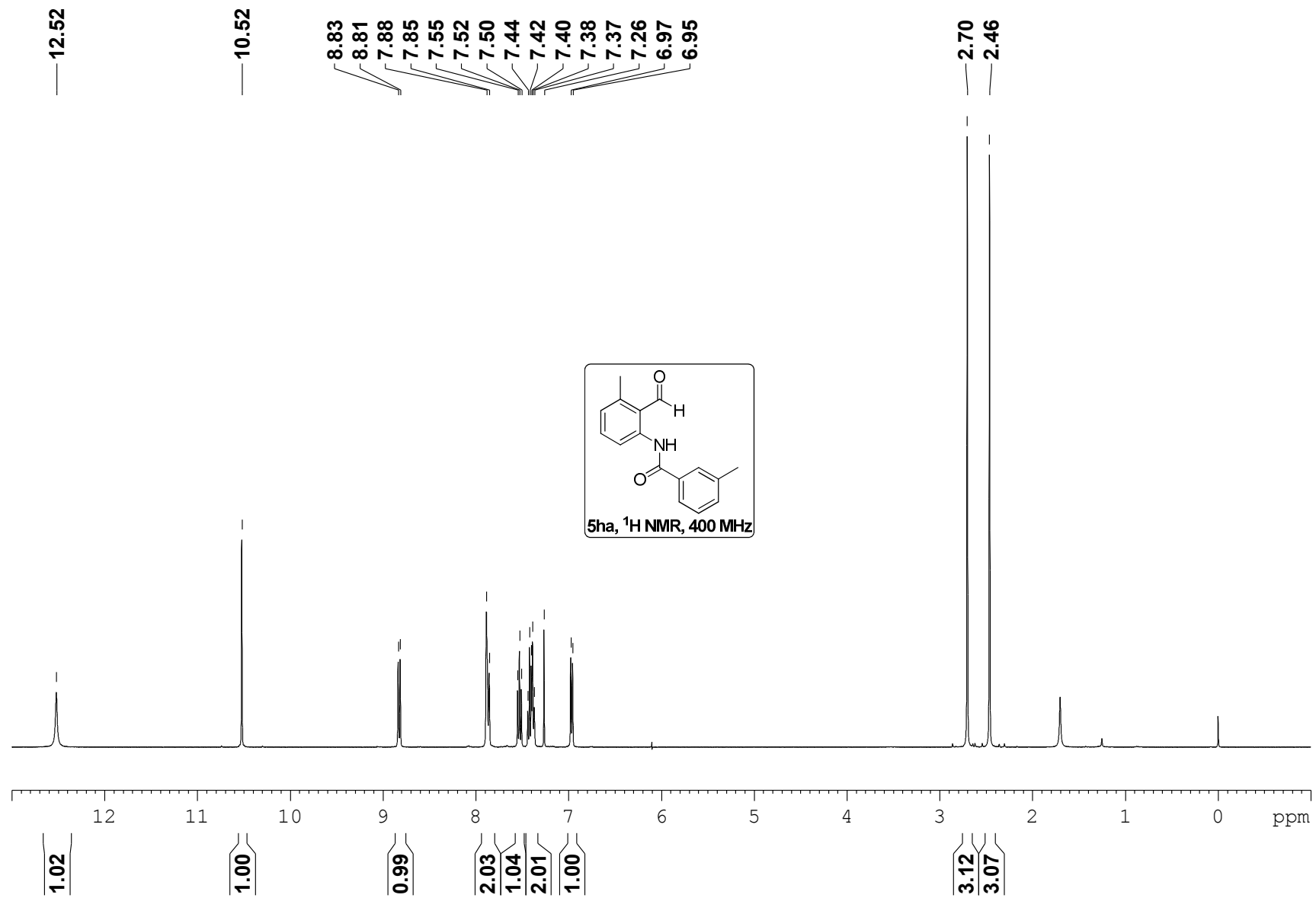


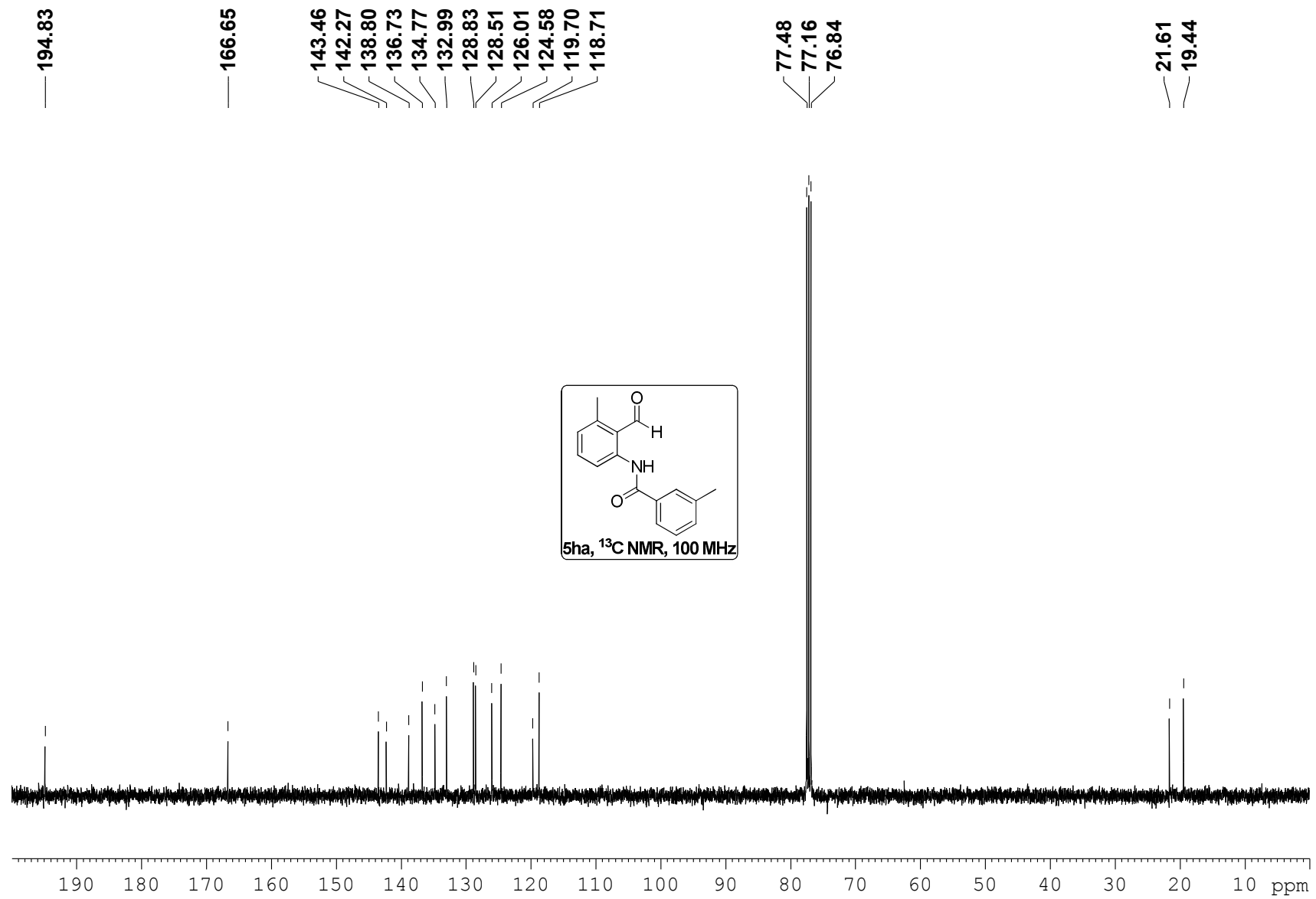


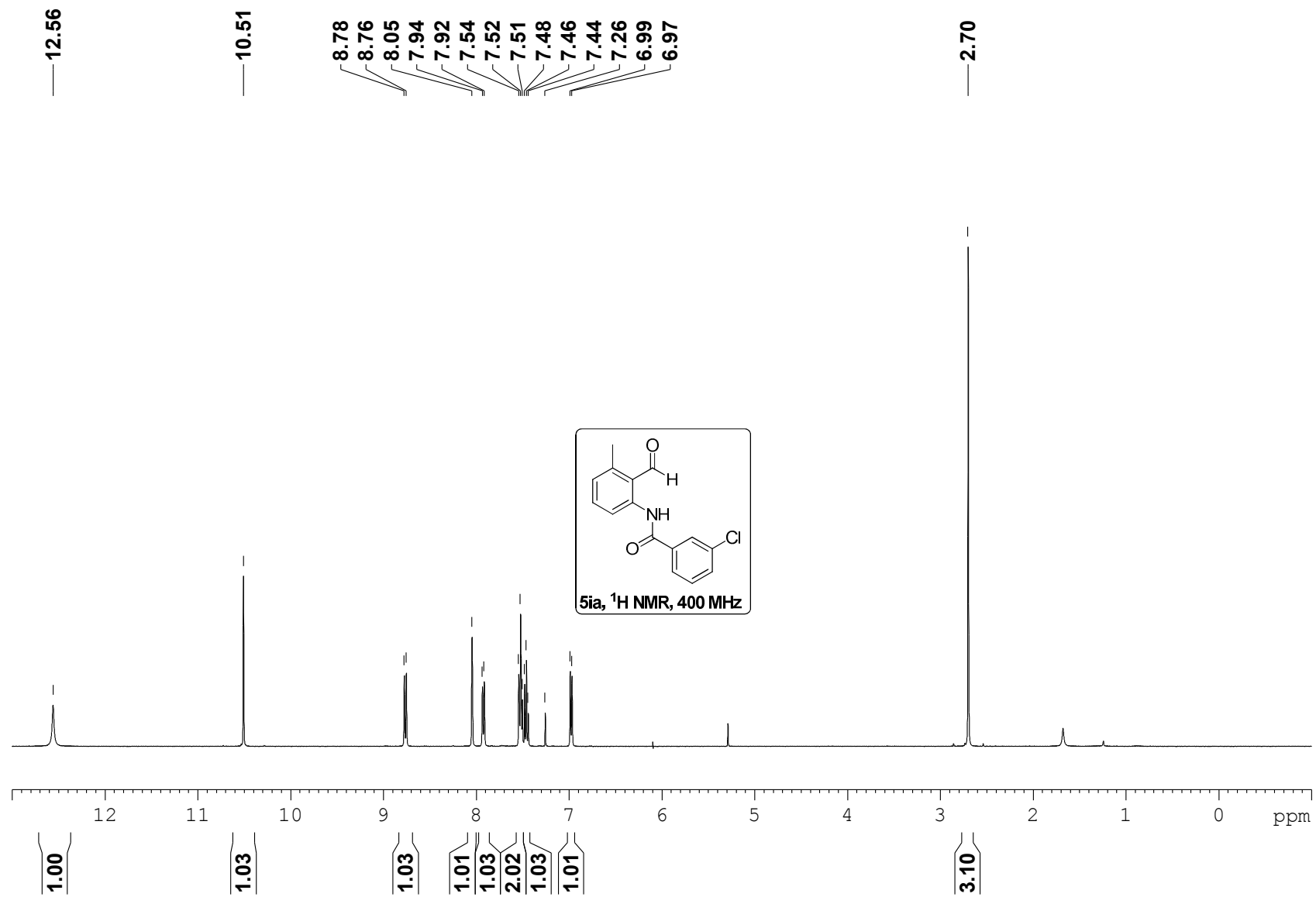


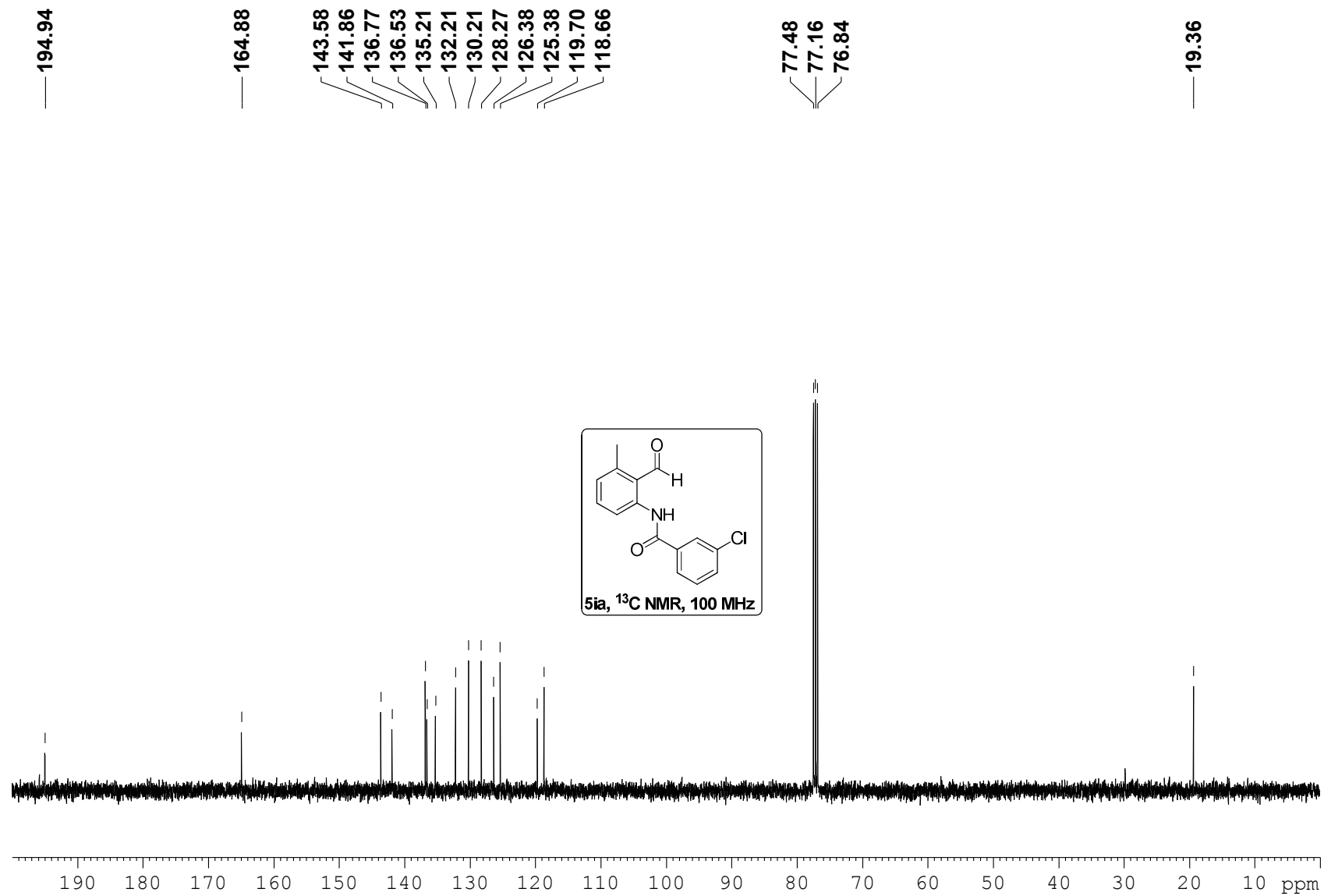


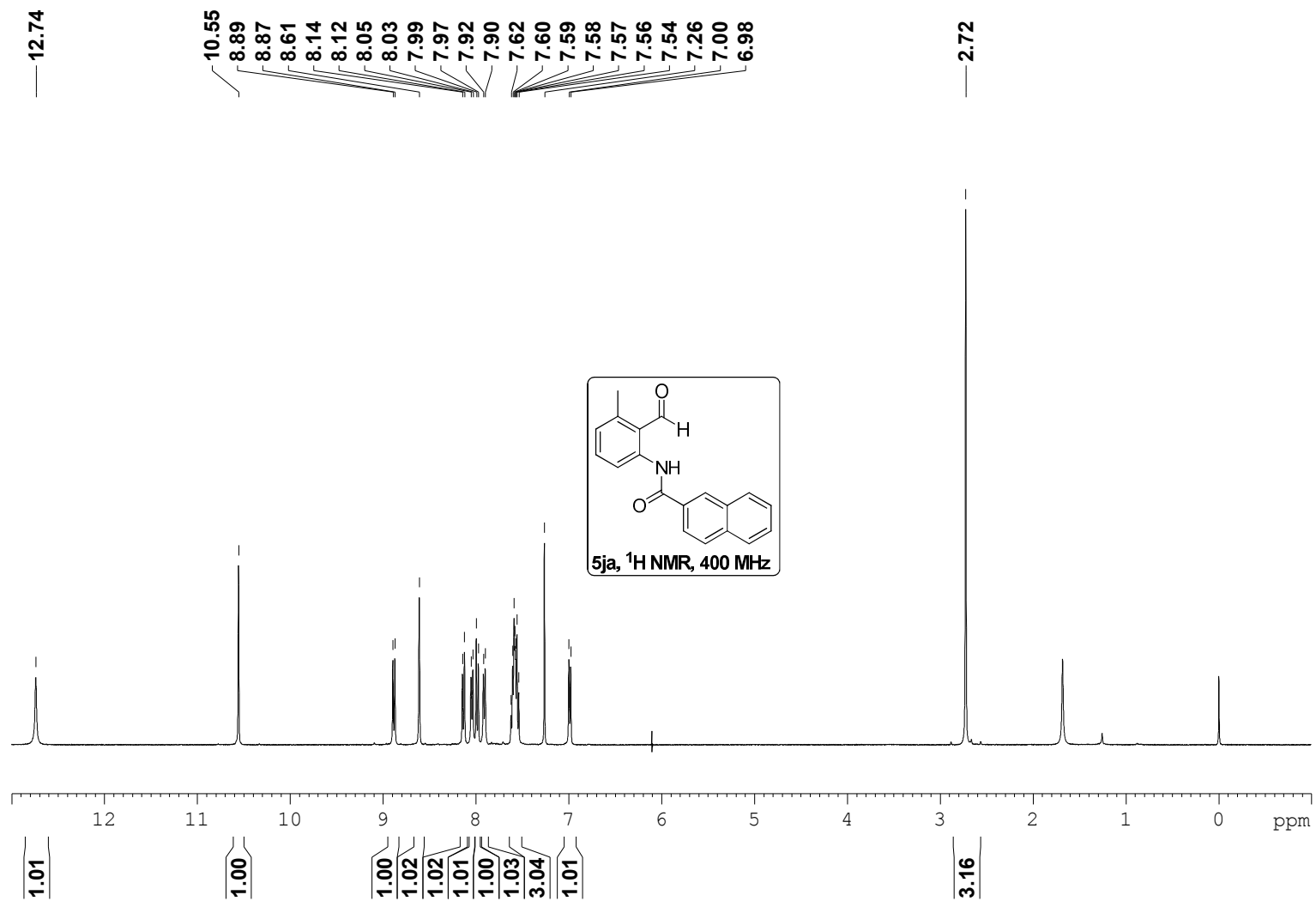


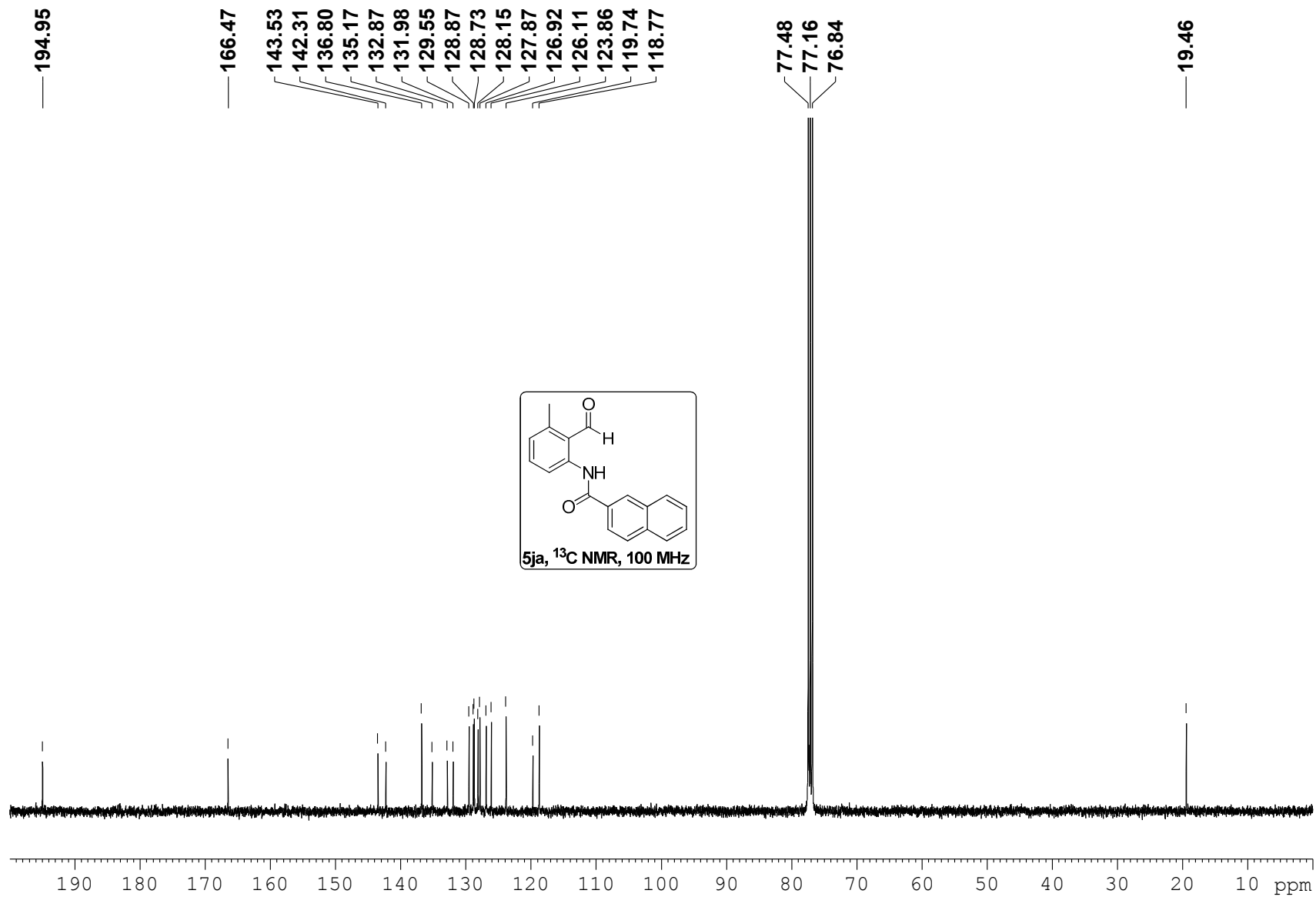


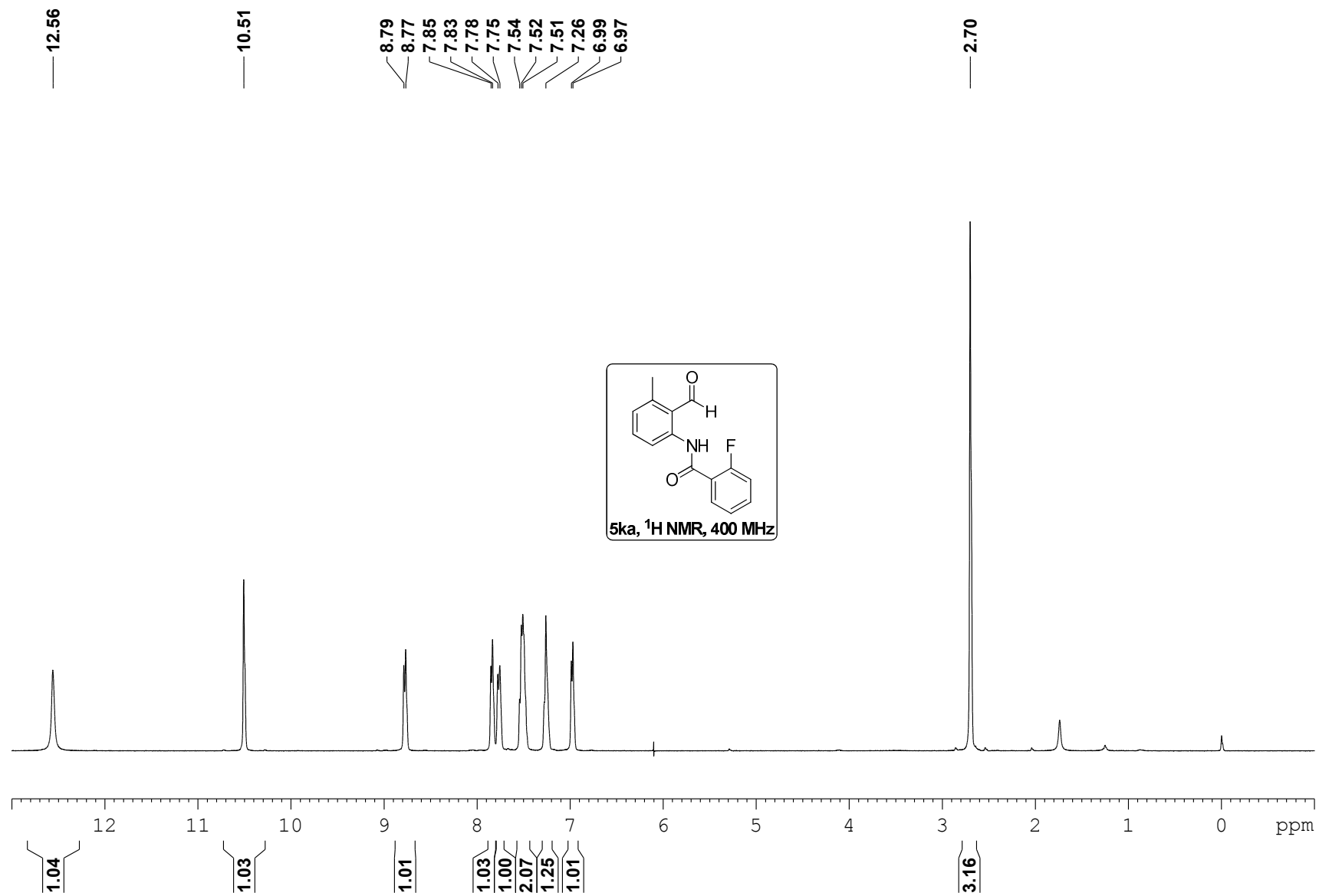


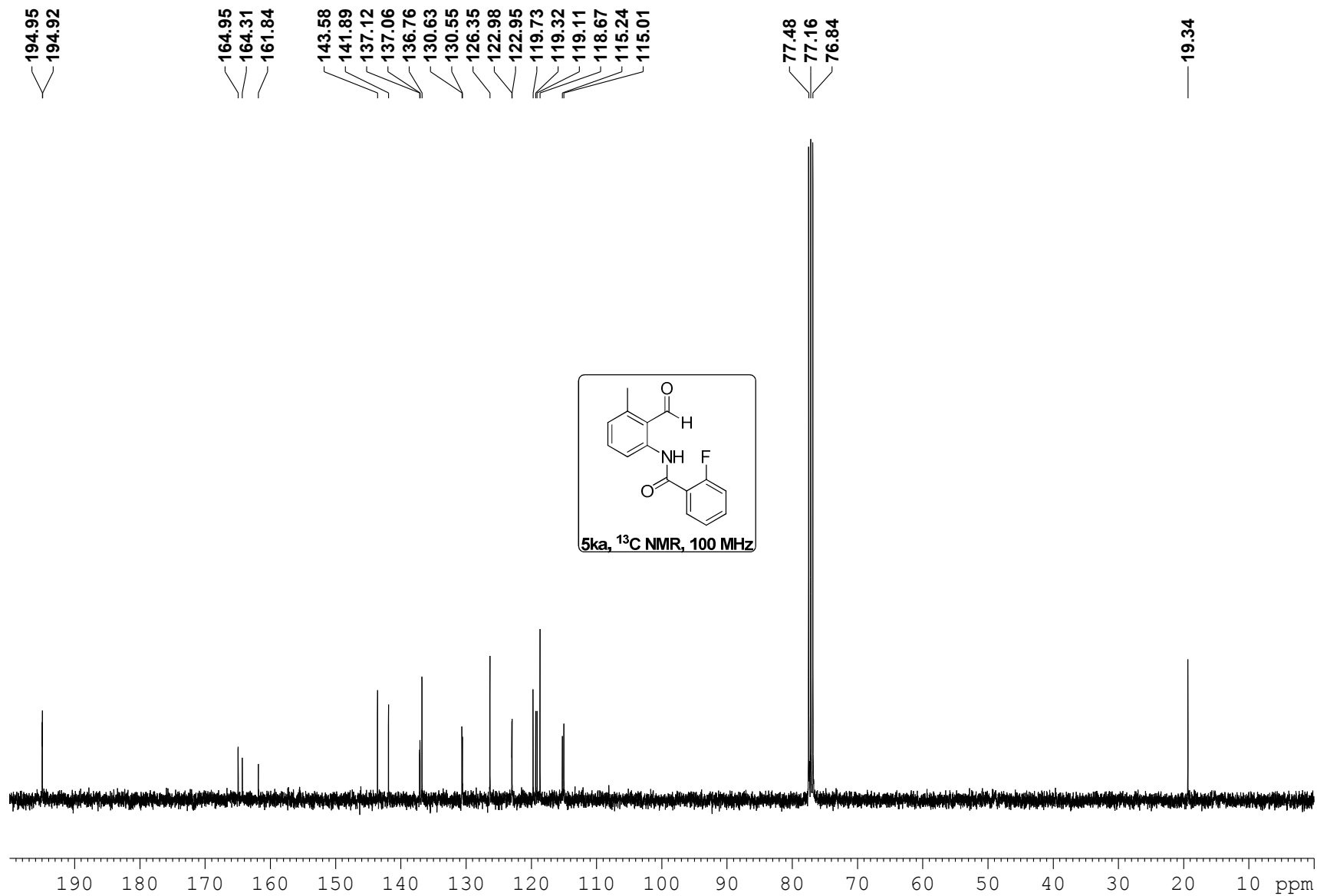


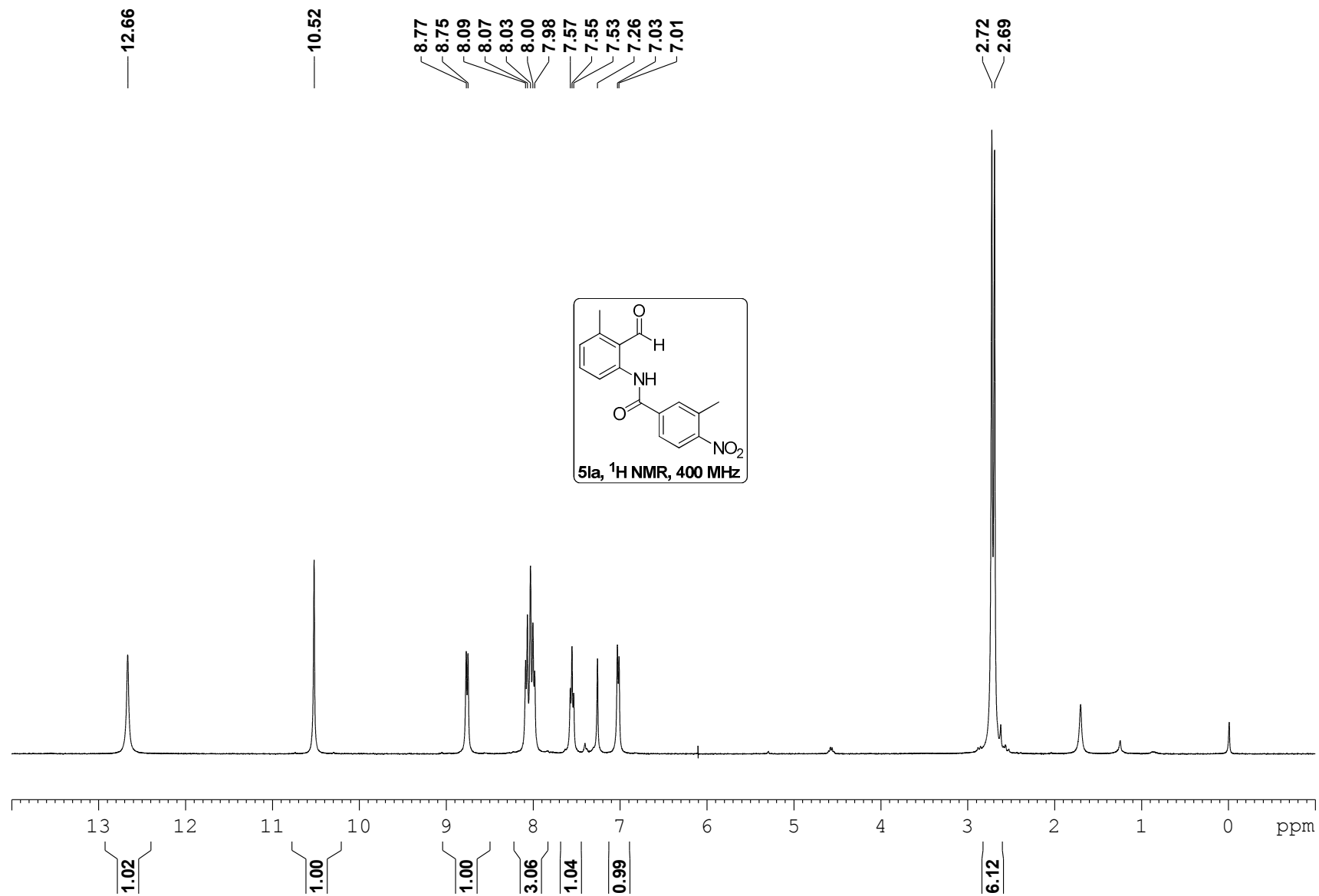


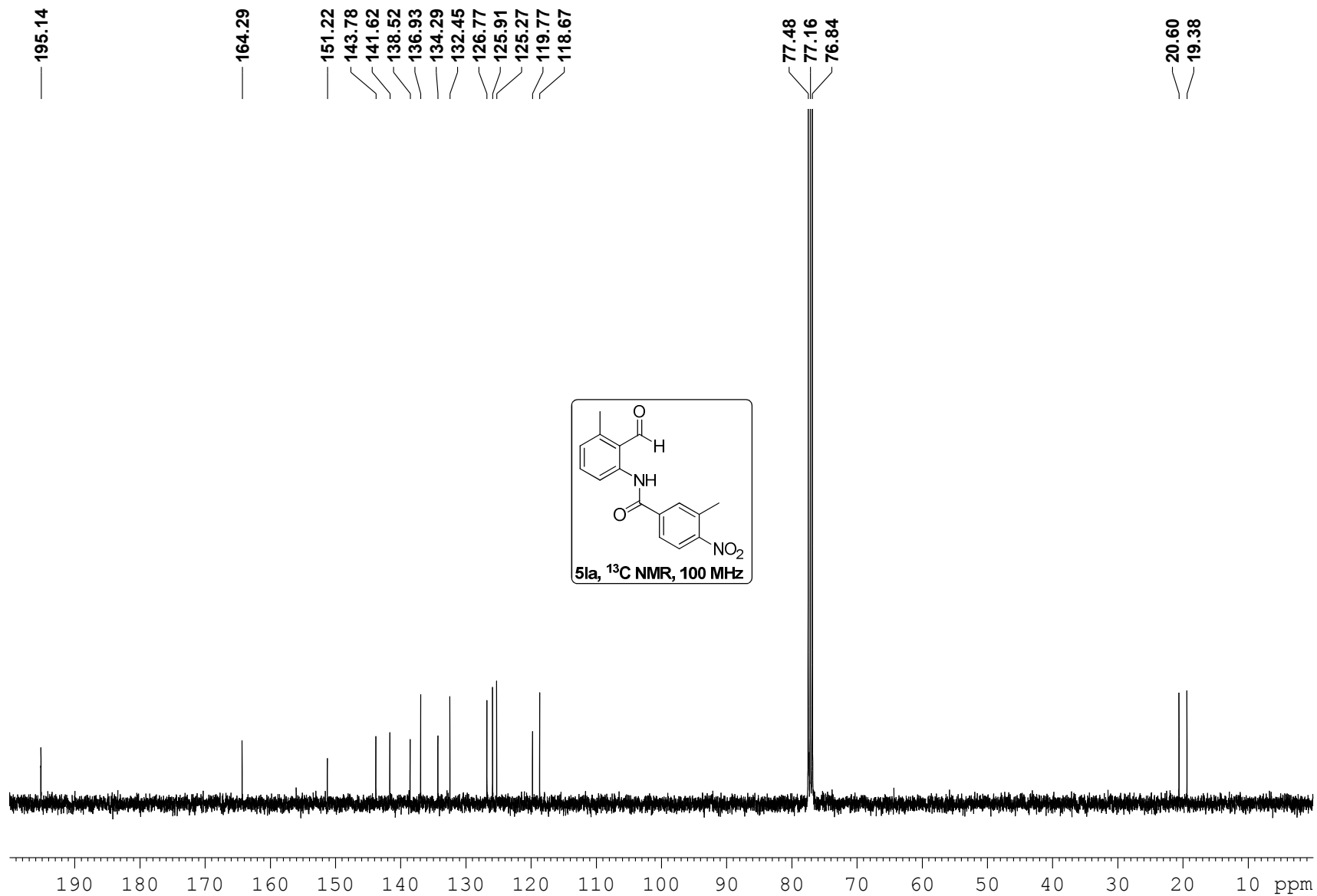


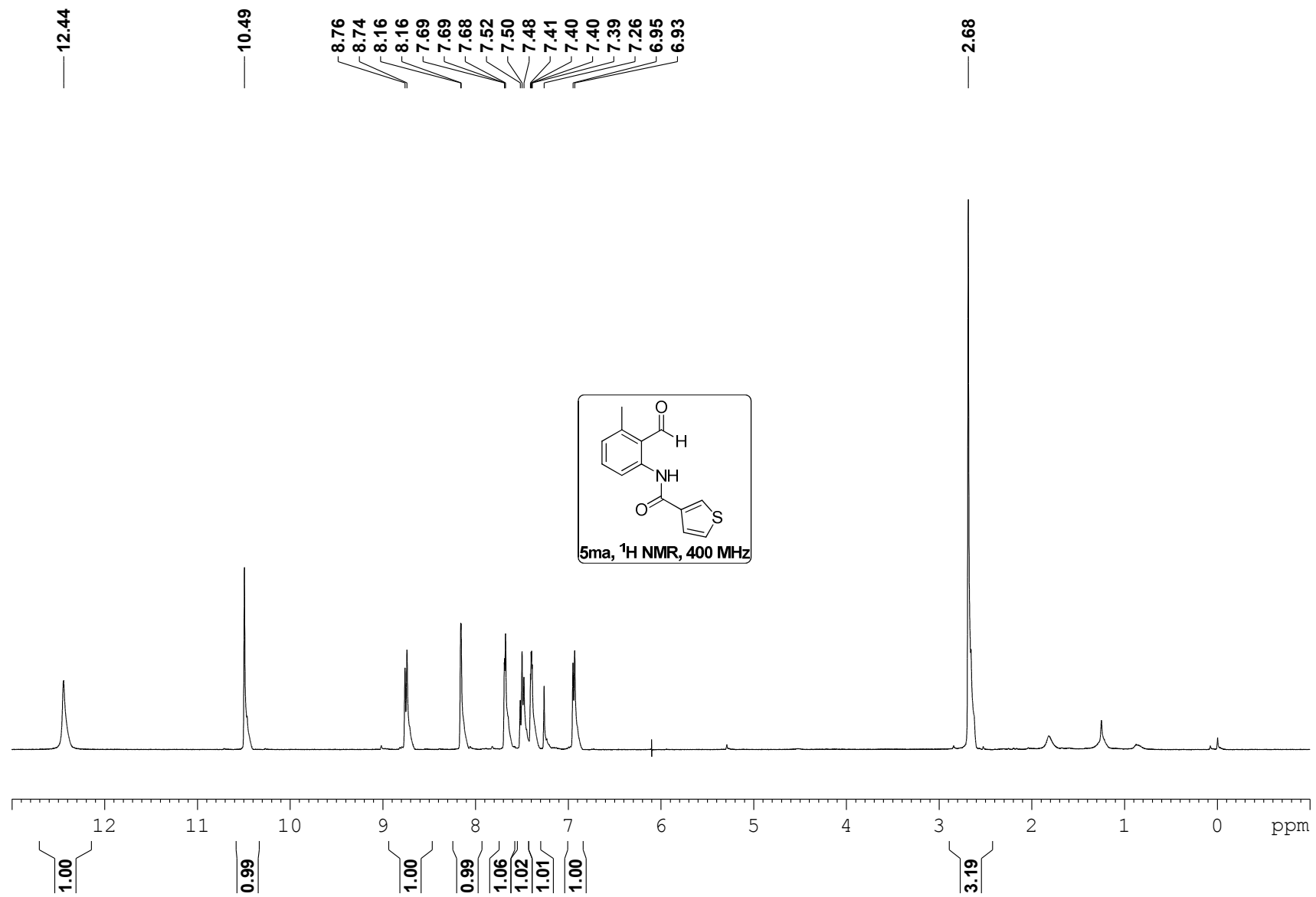


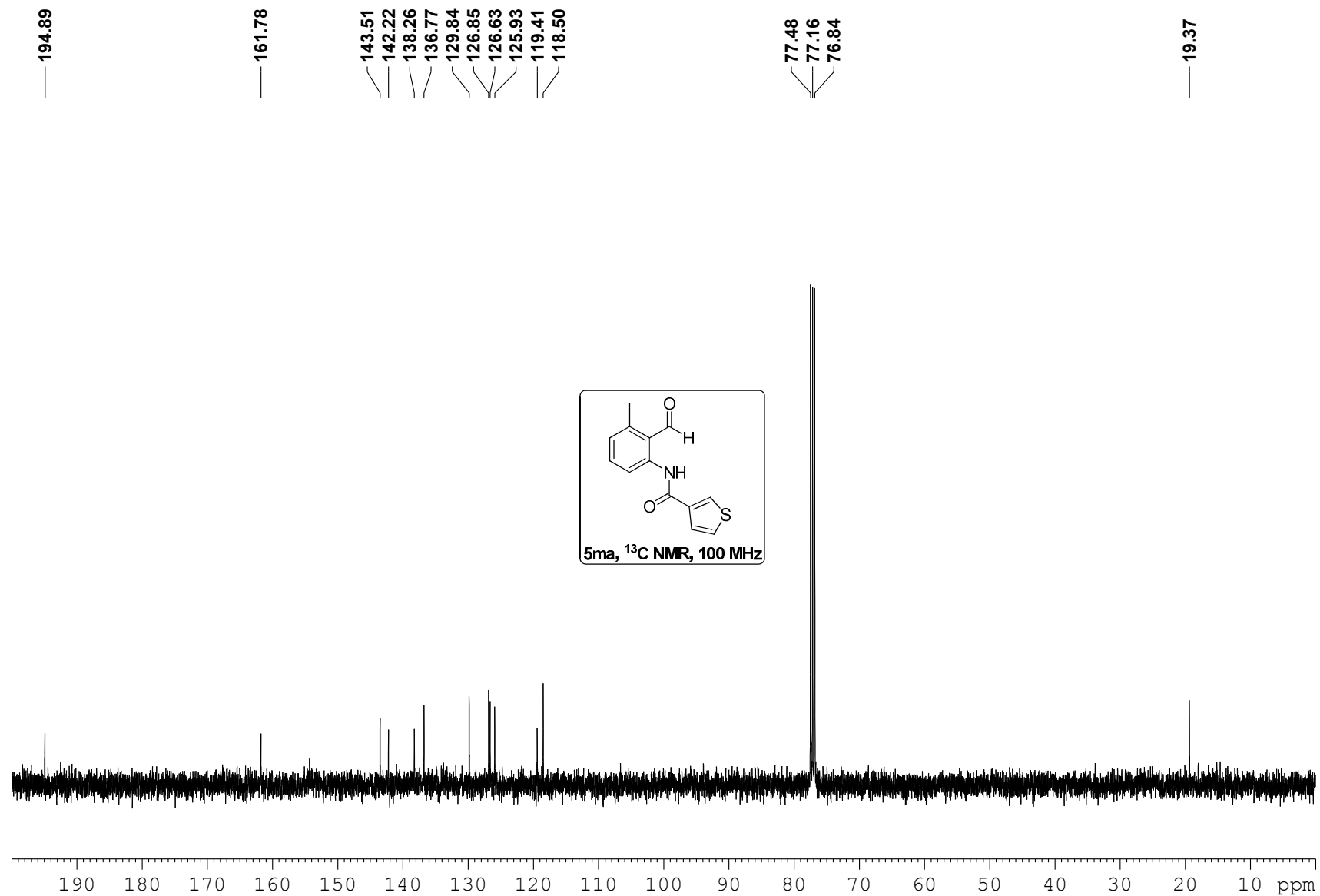


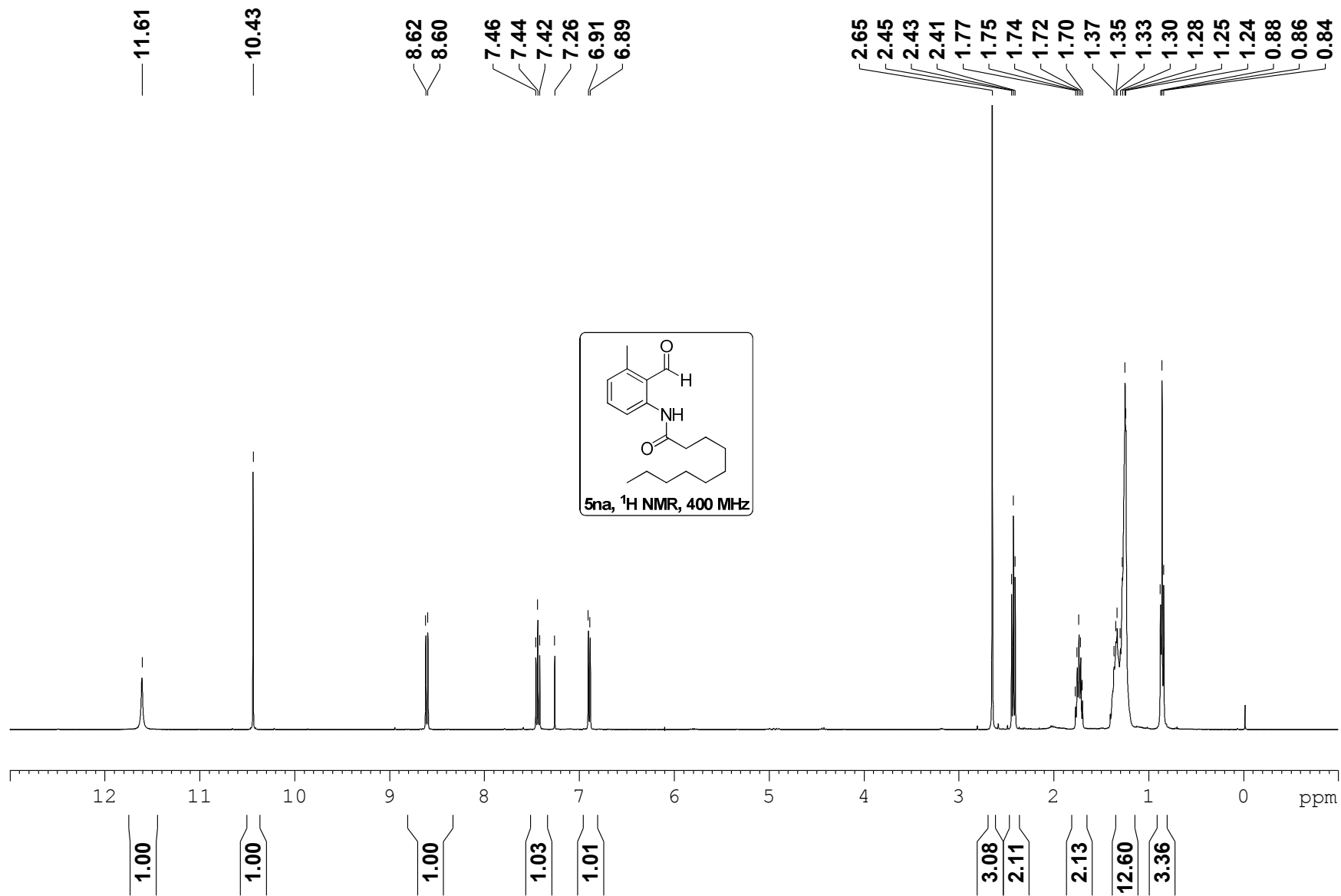


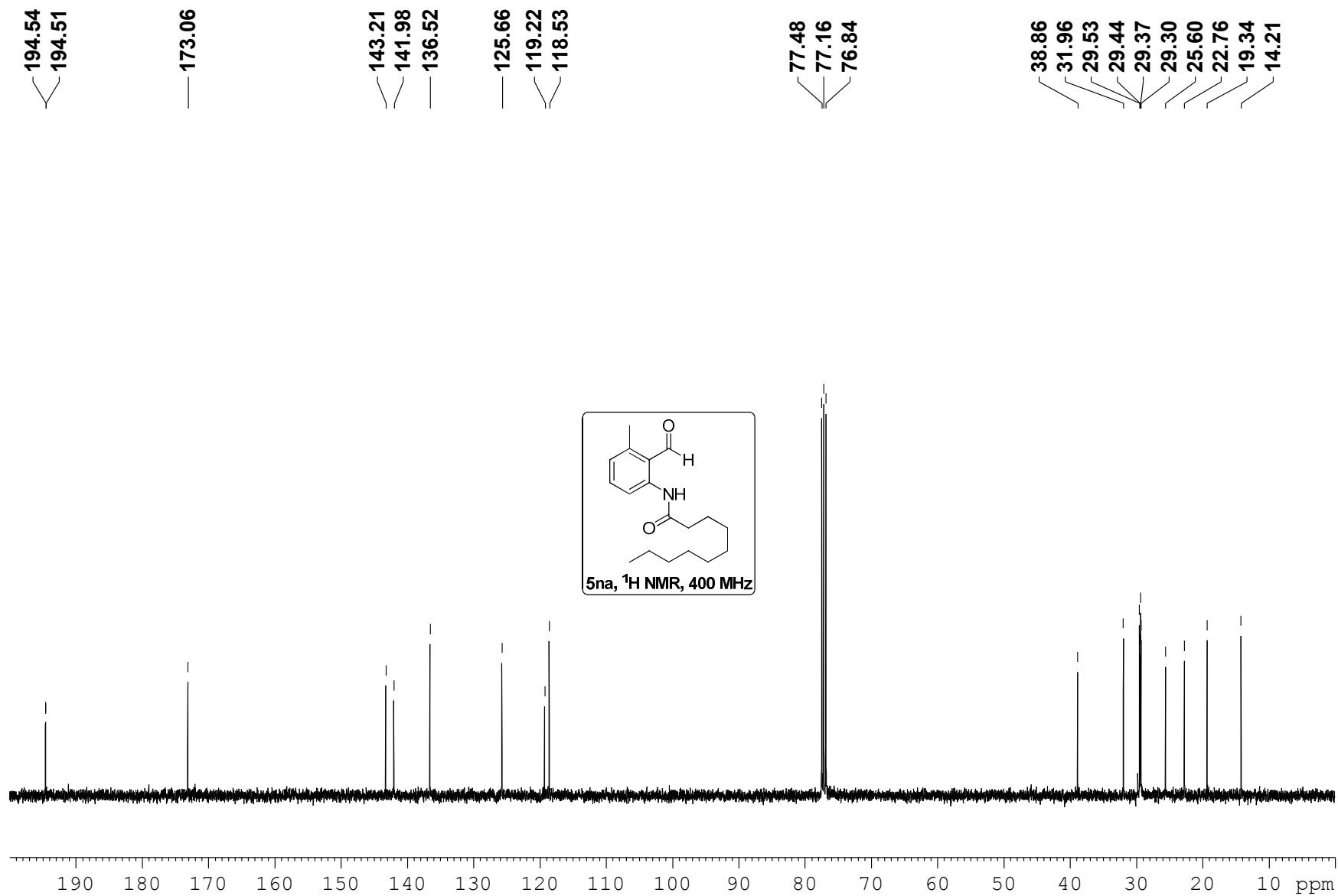


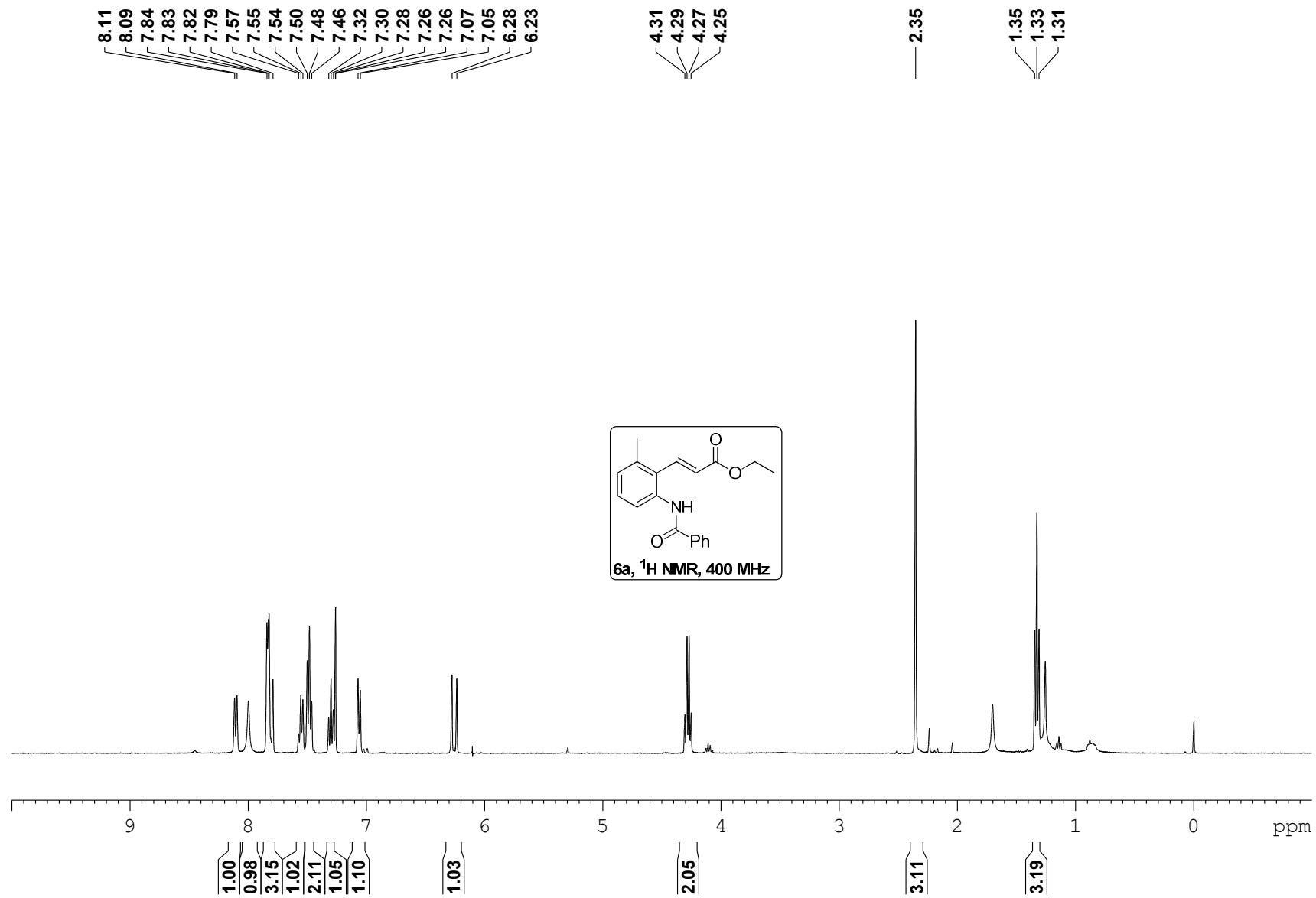


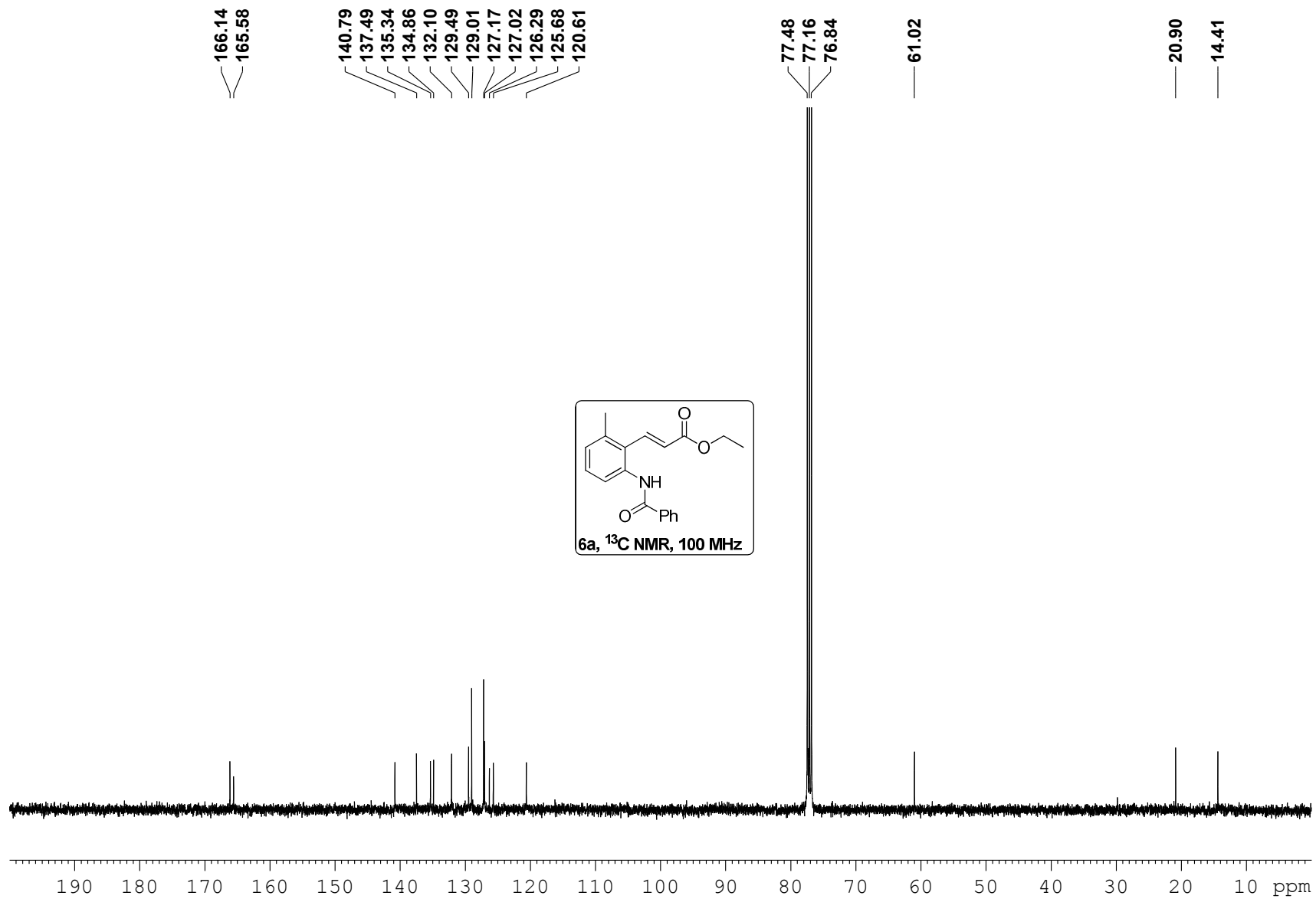


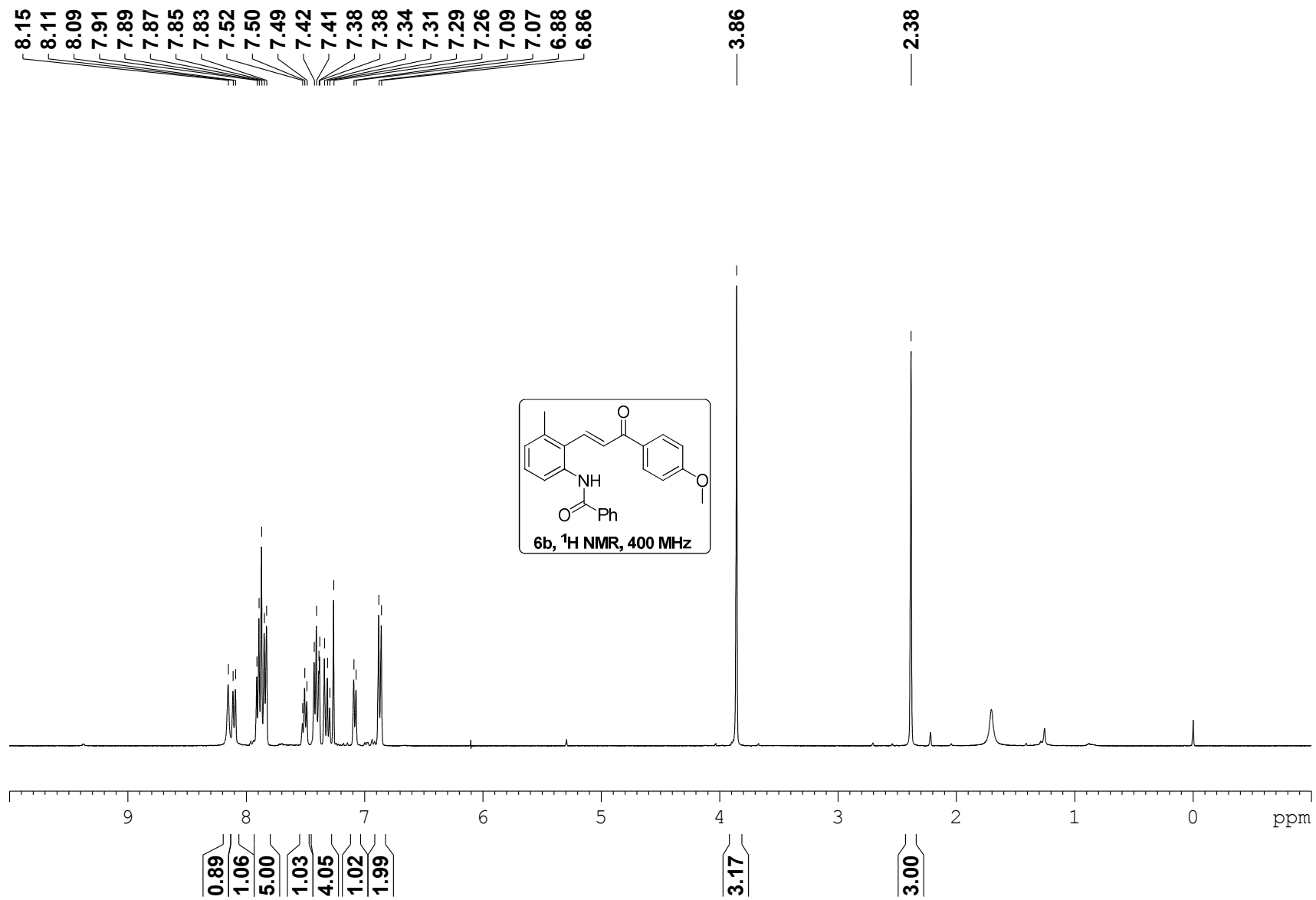


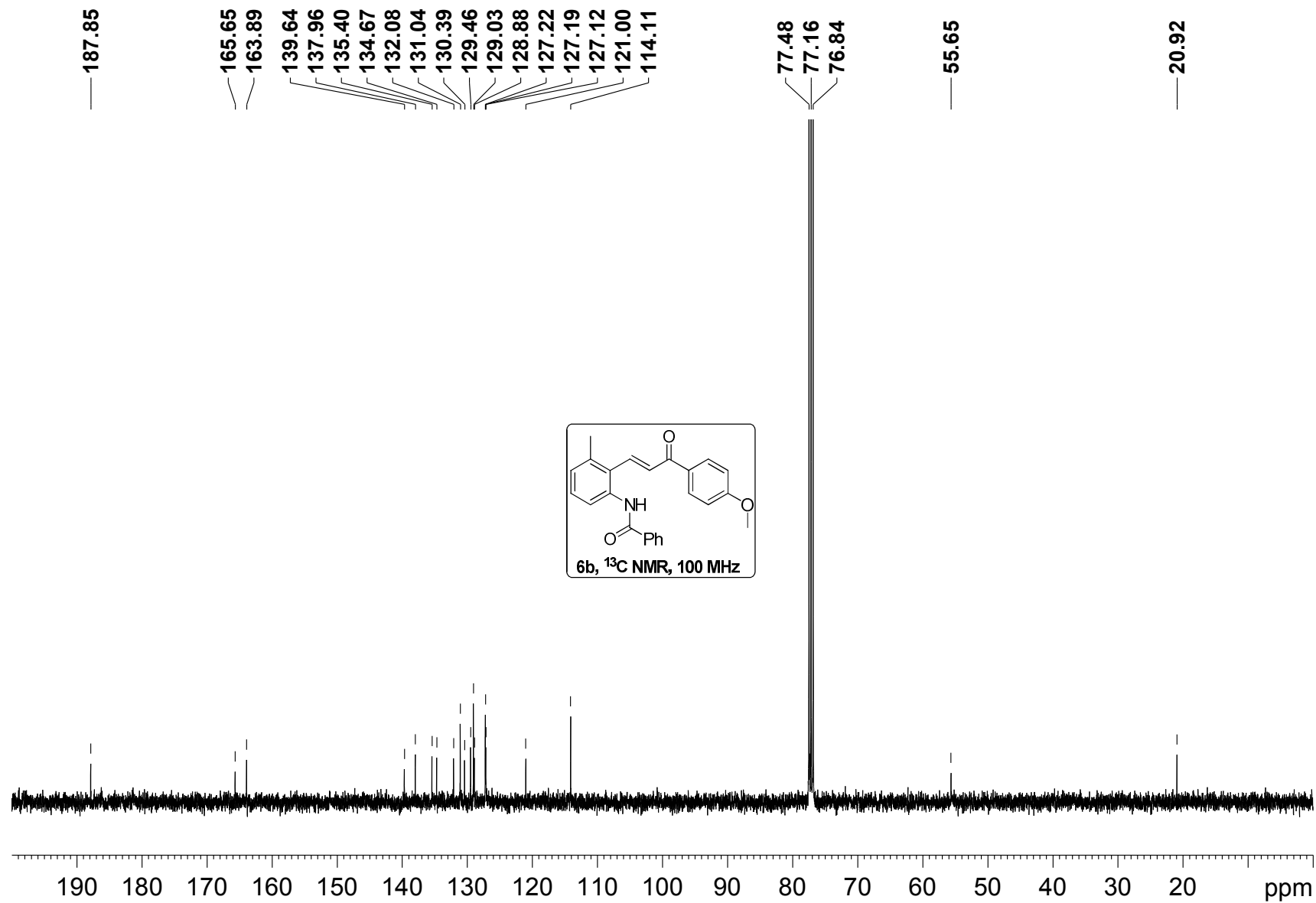


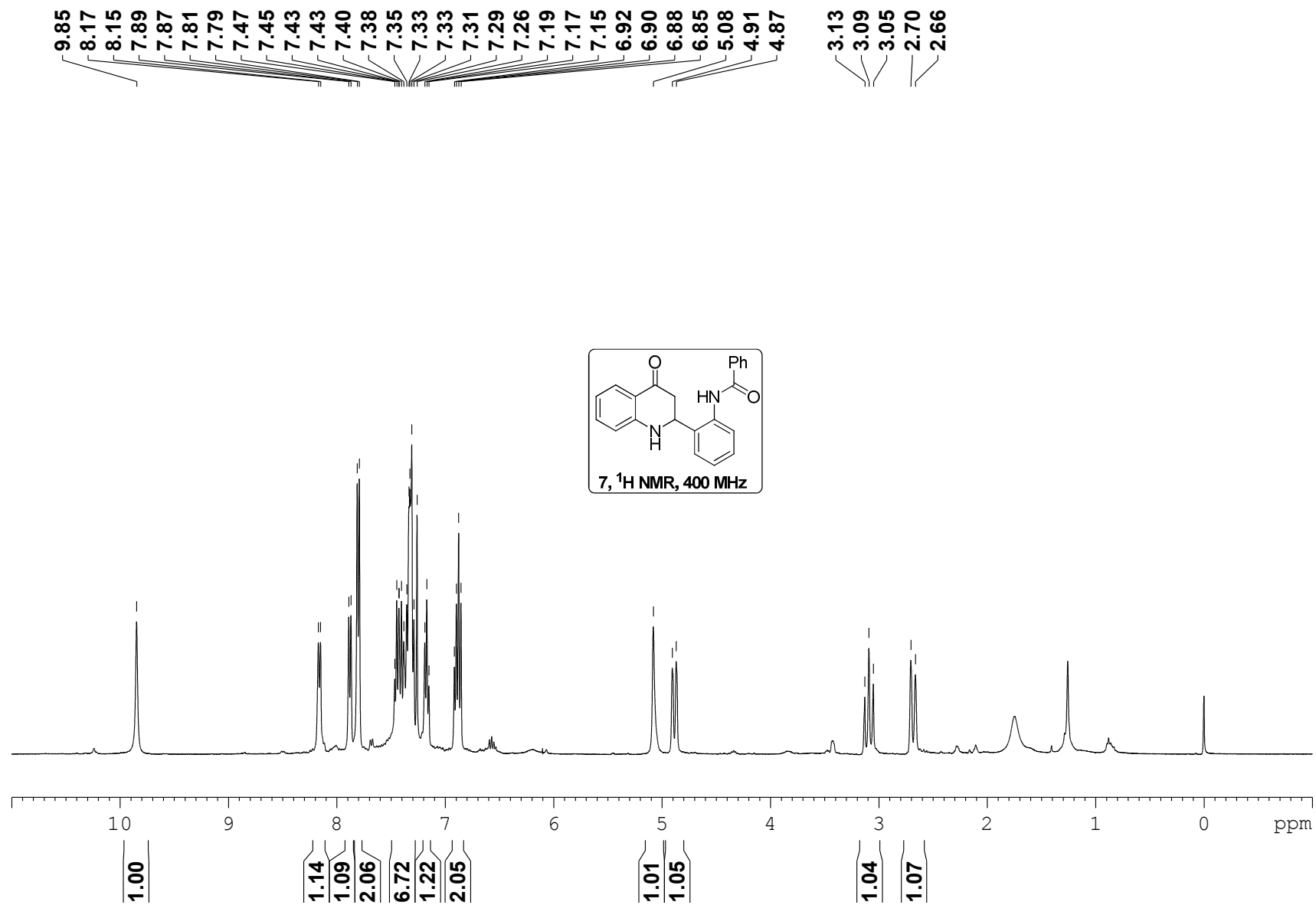


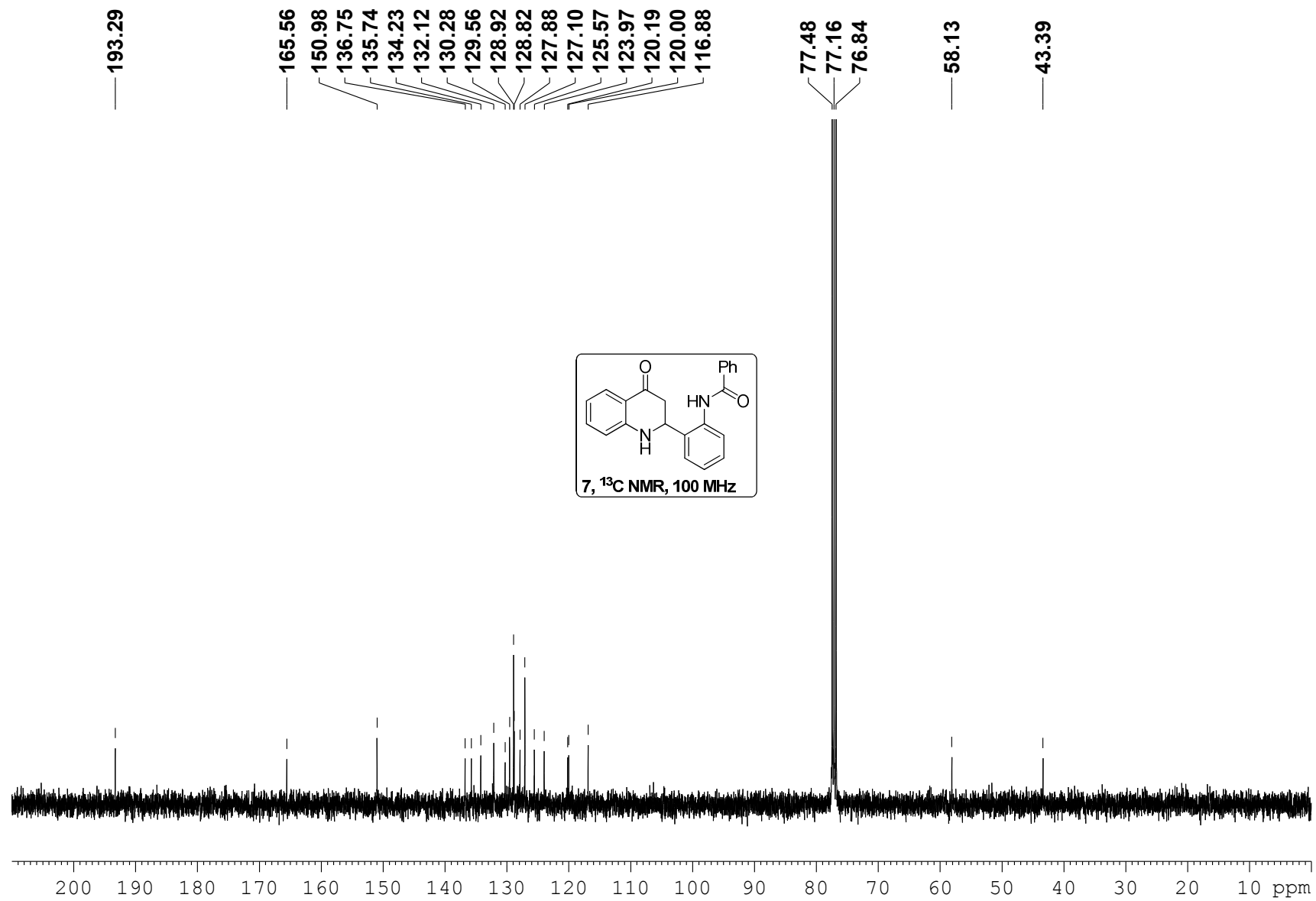


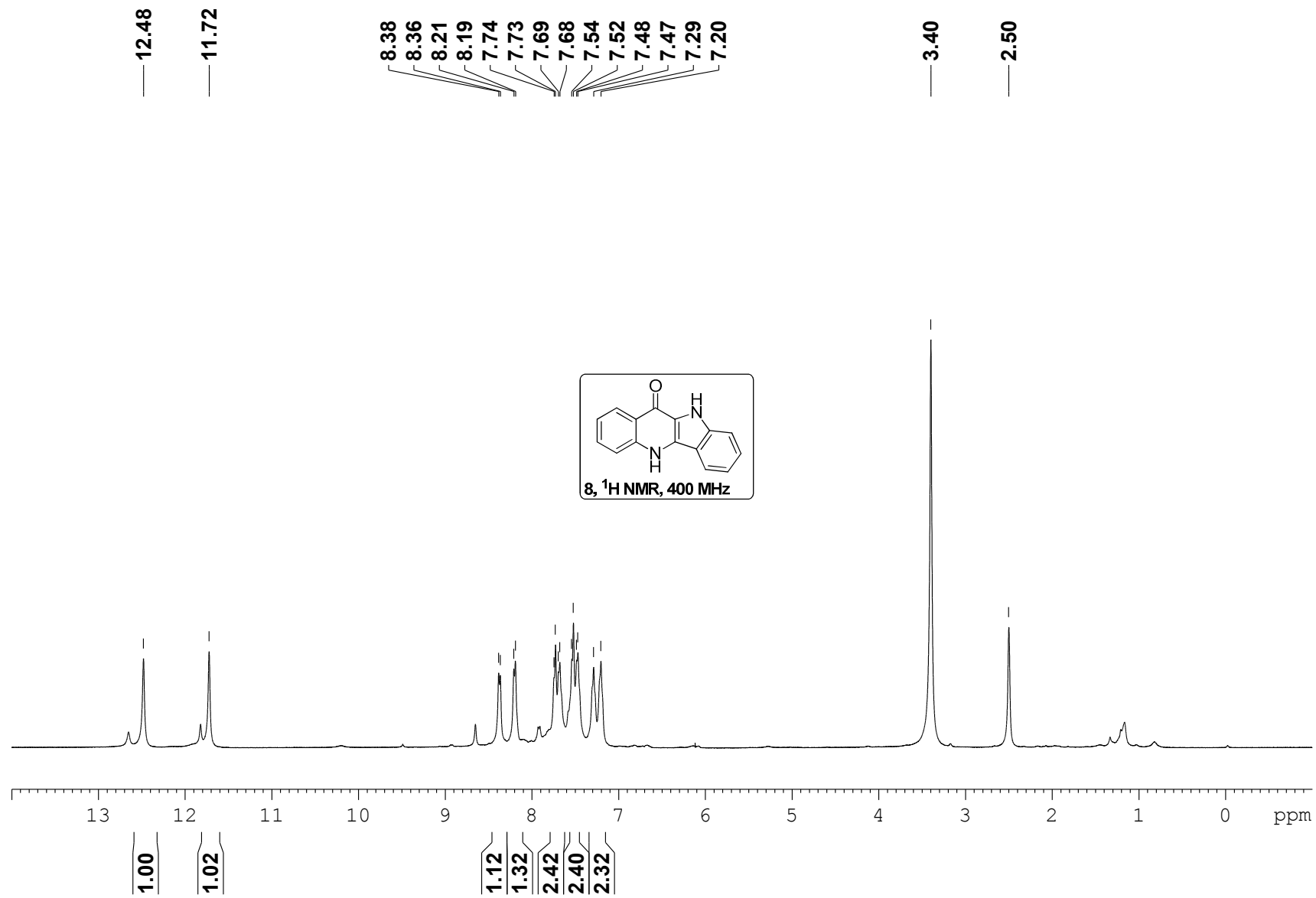


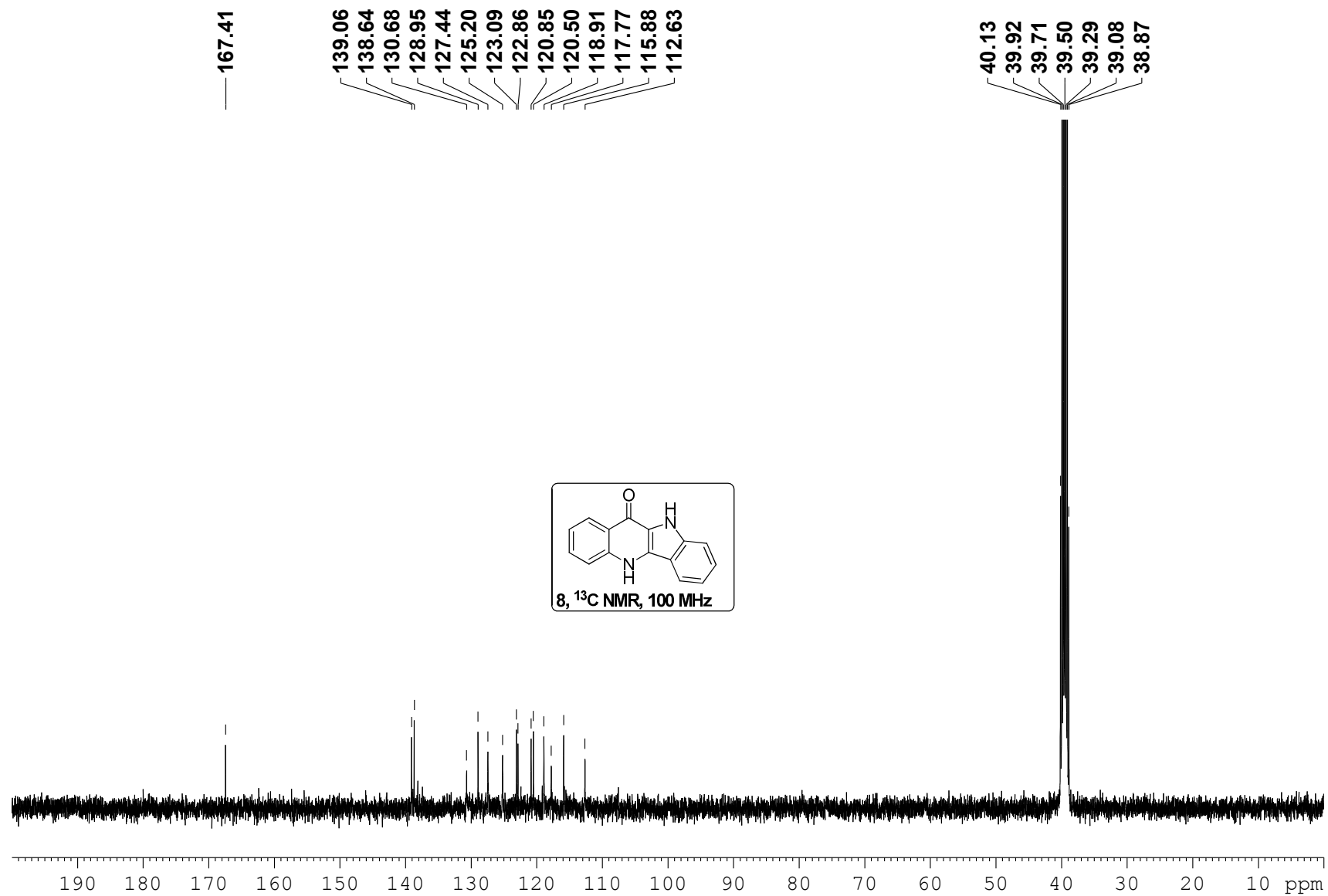












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