

Pd/Gorlos-Phos-Catalyzed Cross-Coupling Between Two Different Aryl Chlorides in the Presence of B₂Pin₂ and Cytotoxicity Studies of the Products

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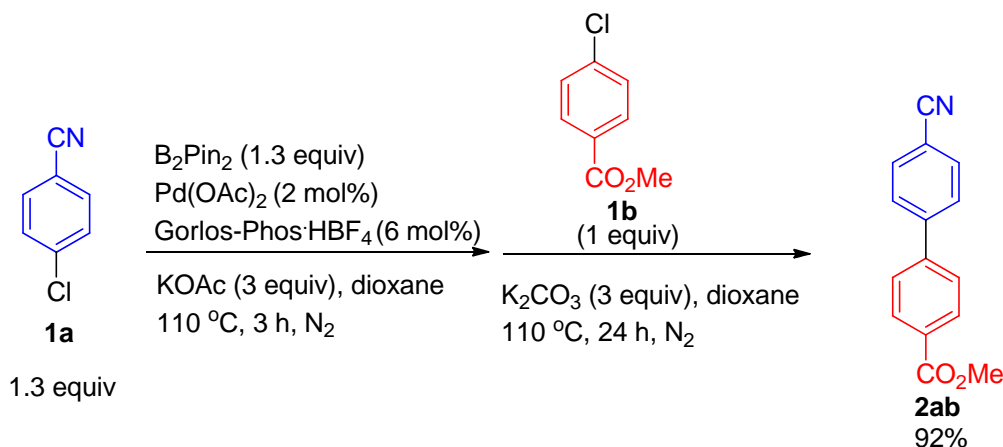
General information

^1H NMR, ^{13}C NMR, and ^{19}F NMR spectra were recorded in CDCl_3 using a Bruker AM 300 MHz NMR spectrometer (^1H at 300 MHz, ^{13}C at 75 MHz, ^{19}F at 282 MHz). NMR spectra were taken using TMS (^1H , $\delta = 0$), residual CHCl_3 (7.26 ppm) in CDCl_3 , and CFCl_3 (^{19}F CFCl_3 , $\delta = 0$) as the internal standards, respectively. IR spectra were recorded with a Perkin–Elmer 983G instrument. Elemental analyses were measured with a Carlo-Erba EA1110 elementary analysis instrument. Mass spectrometry was performed with an HP 5989A system. High-resolution mass spectrometry was determined with a Finnigan MAT 8430 or Bruker APEXIII instrument. $\text{Pd}(\text{OAc})_2$ was purchased from Adamas. Dioxane was distilled from Na wire using benzophenone as the indicator under N_2 before use. Gorlos-Phos $\cdot\text{HBF}_4$ was prepared according to our previous work.¹

Pd/Gorlos-Phos-Catalyzed Cross-Coupling Between Two Different Aryl Chlorides in the Presence of B₂Pin₂

1. Synthesis of methyl 4-(methoxycarbonyl)-4'-cyano-1,1'-biphenyl **2ab**

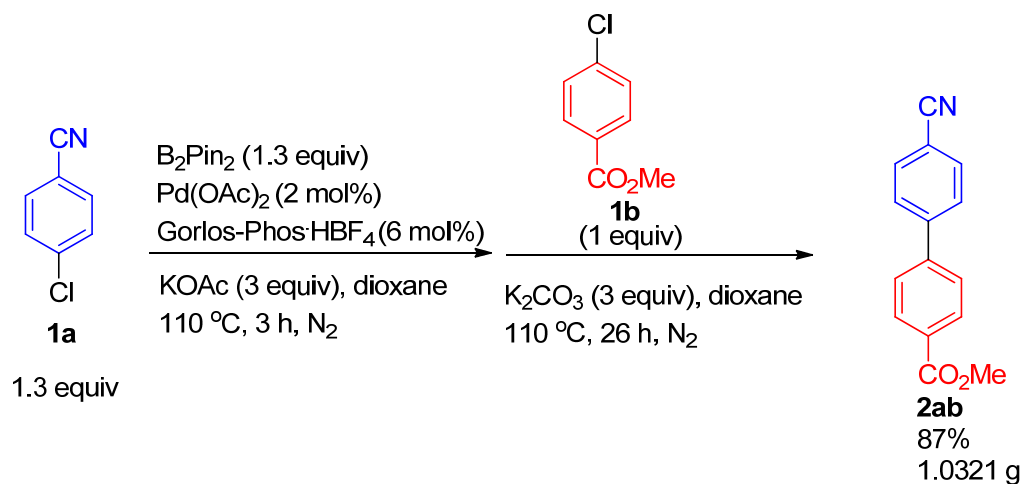
(dxy-2-059)



Typical Procedure I: To a flame-dried Schlenk tube were added Pd(OAc)₂ (0.0046 g, 0.02 mmol), Gorlos-Phos·HBF₄ (0.0285 g, 0.06 mmol), B₂Pin₂ (0.3296 g, 1.3 mmol), KOAc (0.2952 g, 3 mmol), and **1a** (0.1786 g, 1.3 mmol)/dioxane (2 mL) sequentially under N₂ atmosphere. The reaction mixture was stirred at 110 °C for 3 h until **1a** was completely consumed as monitored by TLC. The Schlenk tube was then lifted from the oil bath and followed by the quick addition of K₂CO₃ (0.4170 g, 3 mmol) and **1b** (0.1702 g, 1 mmol)/dioxane (2 mL) under N₂ atmosphere. The resulting mixture was heated in an oil bath preheated at 110 °C with stirring. After 24 h, the reaction was complete as monitored by TLC. The resulting mixture was cooled to room temperature, diluted with ethyl acetate (10 mL), and filtered through a short column of silica gel (eluent: ethyl acetate (3 × 10 mL)). After evaporation of the solvent, the crude residual was purified by chromatography (eluent: petroleum ether (60 °C ~ 90 °C)/ethyl acetate/DCM = 20/1/3 (720 mL)) on silica gel to afford **2ab**²

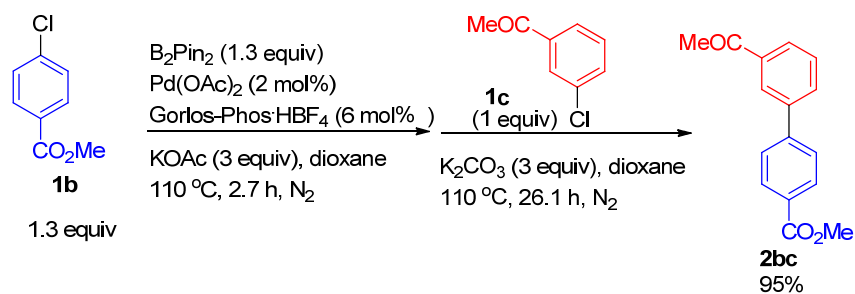
(0.2174 g, 92%): solid; m.p. 143.5-143.7 °C (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate) (lit.² 142-144 °C (diisopropyl ether)); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.15 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.84-7.63 (m, 6H, ArH), 3.96 (s, 3H, OCH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.6, 144.4, 143.4, 132.7, 130.3, 130.2, 127.9, 127.2, 118.7, 111.8, 52.3; IR (KBr) ν (cm⁻¹) 3045, 2959, 2926, 2849, 2226, 1727, 1718, 1606, 1432, 1391, 1279, 1203, 1182, 1104, 1004; MS (70 ev, EI) *m/z* (%) 238 (M⁺ + 1, 8.61), 237 (M⁺, 50.86), 206 (100).

Gram scale:



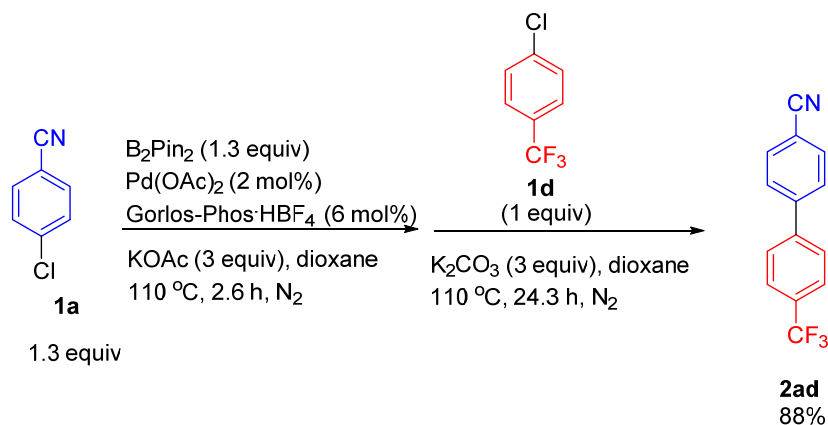
Following **Typical Procedure I**, the reaction of Pd(OAc)₂ (0.0225 g, 0.1 mmol), Gorlos-Phos·HBF₄ (0.1438 g, 0.3 mmol), B₂Pin₂ (1.6507 g, 6.5 mmol), KOAc (1.4727 g, 15 mmol), **1a** (0.8940 g, 6.5 mmol)/dioxane (10 mL) for the first step, K₂CO₃ (2.0734 g, 15 mmol) and **1b** (0.8527 g, 5 mmol)/dioxane (10 mL) for the second step, afforded **2ab** (1.0321 g, 87%) (eluent: petroleum ether (60 °C ~ 90 °C)/ethyl acetate/DCM = 20/1/3 (1440 mL): solid; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.15 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.90-7.60 (m, 6H, ArH), 3.96 (s, 3H, OCH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.6, 144.4, 143.4, 132.7, 130.3, 130.1, 127.9, 127.2, 118.6, 111.8, 52.3.

2. Synthesis of 4-(methoxycarbonyl)-3'-acetyl-1,1'-biphenyl 2bc. (dxy-1-116)



Following **Typical Procedure I**, the reaction of $Pd(OAc)_2$ (0.0043 g, 0.02 mmol), Gorlos-Phos· HBF_4 (0.0285 g, 0.06 mmol), B_2Pin_2 (0.3305 g, 1.3 mmol), KOAc (0.2952 g, 3 mmol), **1b** (0.2267 g, 1.3 mmol)/dioxane (2 mL) for the first step, K_2CO_3 (0.4153 g, 3 mmol) and **1c** (0.1600 g, 1mmol)/dioxane (2 mL) for the second step, afforded **2bc**³ (0.2431 g, 95%) (eluent: petroleum ether (60 °C ~ 90 °C)/ethyl acetate (30/1) (310 mL) to petroleum ether (60 °C ~ 90 °C)/ethyl acetate/DCM (300/10/1) (310 mL) to petroleum ether (60 °C ~ 90 °C)/ethyl acetate/DCM (75/5/1)) (320 mL): solid; m.p. 110.3-111.2 °C (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate) (lit.³ 109-110 °C); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 8.21 (t, $J = 1.7$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 8.13 (d, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 2H, ArH), 8.02-7.94 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.86-7.78 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.69 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.57 (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 3.95 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 2.67 (s, 3H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 197.8, 166.8, 144.5, 140.5, 137.7, 131.8, 130.2, 129.4, 129.2, 128.0, 127.1, 126.9, 52.2, 26.7; IR (KBr) ν (cm^{-1}) 3039, 3000, 2959, 1722, 1681, 1608, 1581, 1429, 1403, 1367, 1294, 1247, 1189, 1113, 1019; MS (70 ev, EI) m/z (%) 255 ($M^+ + 1$, 10.79), 254 (M^+ , 60.28), 239 (100).

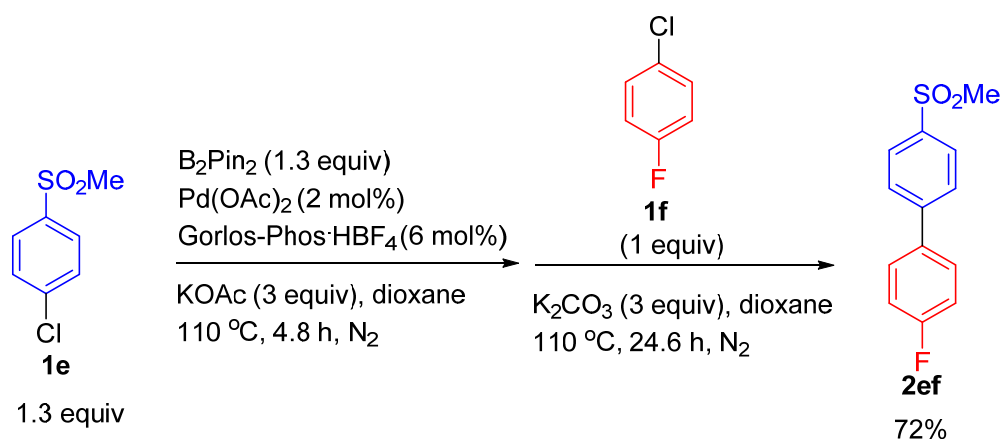
3. Synthesis of 4-(trifluoromethyl)-4'-cyano-1,1'-biphenyl **2ad** (dxy-1-132)



Following **Typical Procedure I**, the reaction of Pd(OAc)₂ (0.0044 g, 0.02 mmol), Gorlos-Phos·HBF₄ (0.0289 g, 0.06 mmol), B₂Pin₂ (0.3303 g, 1.3 mmol), KOAc (0.2939 g, 3 mmol), **1a** (0.1800 g, 1.3 mmol)/dioxane (2 mL) for the first step, K₂CO₃ (0.4153 g, 3 mmol) and **1d** (0.1840 g, 1 mmol)/dioxane (2 mL) for the second step, afforded **2ad**⁴ (0.2168 g, 88%) (eluent: petroleum ether (60 °C ~ 90 °C)/ethyl acetate = 15/1): solid; m. p. 130.6-130.9 °C (*n*-hexane); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.81-7.66 (m, 8H, ArH); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 144.1, 142.7 (d, *J* = 1.4 Hz), 132.8, 130.7 (q, *J* = 32.4 Hz), 128.0, 127.6, 126.1 (q, *J* = 3.7 Hz), 124.0 (q, *J* = 270.9 Hz), 118.6, 112.0; ¹⁹F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -63.1; IR (KBr) ν (cm⁻¹) 2230, 1617, 1606, 1498, 1394, 1328, 1163, 1125, 1071, 1022, 1007; MS (70 ev, EI) m/z (%) 248 (M⁺ + 1, 15.43), 247 (M⁺, 100).

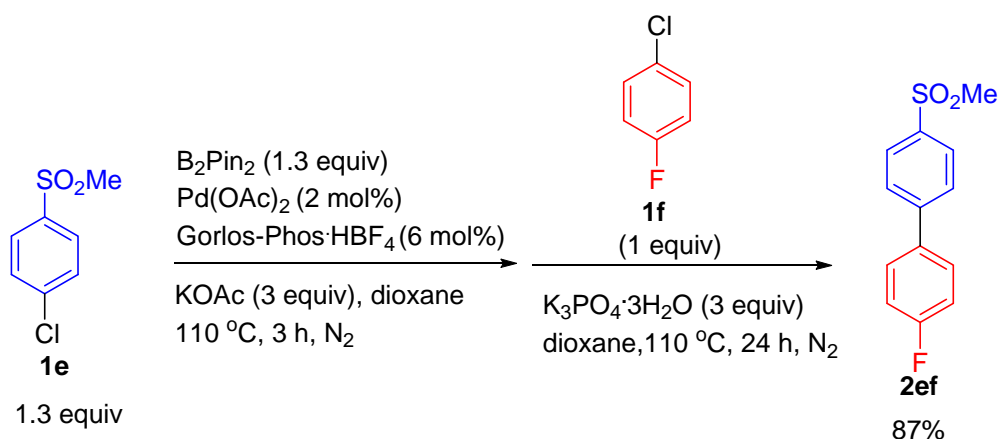
4. Synthesis of 4'-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonyl)-1,1'-biphenyl **2ef**.

(1) The reaction with K₂CO₃ being used in the second step (Dxy-1-143)



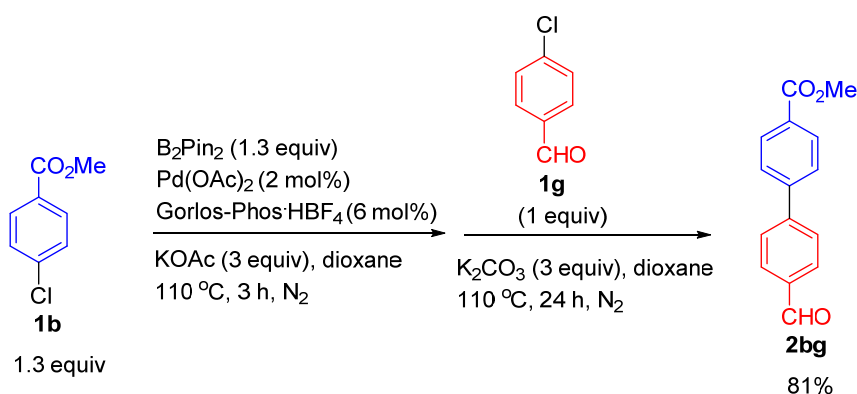
Following **Typical Procedure I**, the reaction of $Pd(OAc)_2$ (0.0046 g, 0.02 mmol), Gorlos-Phos· HBF_4 (0.0284 g, 0.06 mmol), B_2Pin_2 (0.3310 g, 1.3 mmol), KOAc (0.2943 g, 3 mmol), **1e** (0.2531 g, 1.3 mmol)/dioxane (2 mL) for the first step, K_2CO_3 (0.4152 g, 3 mmol), and **1f** (0.1352 g, 1 mmol)/dioxane (2 mL) for the second step, afforded impure **2ef** (0.2367 g) (eluent: petroleum ether (60 °C ~ 90 °C)/ethyl acetate/DCM = 5:1:2 (300 mL)), which was further purified by recrystallization to afford **2ef**⁵ (0.1804 g, 72%): solid; m. p. 137.4-139.3 °C (*n*-hexane/DCM) (lit.⁵ 144-146 °C); 1H NMR (300 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 8.01 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.73 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.64-7.53 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.18 (t, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H, ArH), 3.10 (s, 3H, CH_3); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 163.2 (d, J = 246.8 Hz), 145.6, 139.1, 135.2 (d, J = 2.8 Hz), 129.1 (d, J = 8.3 Hz), 127.9, 127.8, 116.2 (d, J = 21.4 Hz), 44.6; ^{19}F NMR (282 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ -113.7; IR (KBr) ν (cm^{-1}) 3059, 3010, 2927, 1595, 1519, 1488, 1419, 1389, 1375, 1299, 1265, 1246, 1196, 1180, 1143, 1094, 1076; MS (70 ev, EI) m/z (%) 251 ($M^+ + 1$, 16.21), 250 (M^+ , 100).

(2) The reaction with $K_3PO_4 \cdot 3H_2O$ being used in the second step (Dxy-2-062)



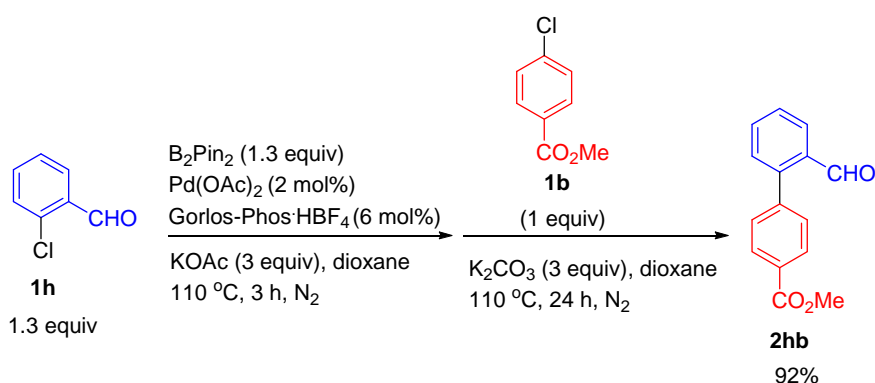
Following **Typical Procedure I**, the reaction of Pd(OAc)₂ (0.0047 g, 0.02 mmol), Gorlos-Phos·HBF₄ (0.0285 g, 0.06 mmol), B₂Pin₂ (0.3305 g, 1.3 mmol), KOAc (0.2950 g, 3 mmol), **1e** (0.2480 g, 1.3 mmol)/dioxane (2 mL) for the first step, K₃PO₄·3H₂O (0.7981 g, 3 mmol), and **1f** (0.1300 g, 1 mmol)/dioxane (2 mL) for the second step, afforded **2ef**⁵ (0.2179 g, 87%) (eluent: petroleum ether (60 °C ~ 90 °C)/ethyl acetate/DCM = 20:1:3 (480 mL) to 12:1:3 (640 mL)): ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.01 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.73 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.63-7.53 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.19 (t, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H, ArH), 3.11 (s, 3H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 163.1 (d, *J* = 246.8 Hz), 145.5, 139.0, 135.1 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz), 129.1 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz), 127.9, 127.7, 116.0 (d, *J* = 21.4 Hz), 44. 5; ¹⁹F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -113.6.

5. Synthesis of 4'-formyl-4-(methoxycarbonyl)-1,1'-biphenyl **2bg** (dxy-2-007)



Following **Typical Procedure I**, the reaction of Pd(OAc)₂ (0.0046 g, 0.02 mmol), Gorlos-Phos·HBF₄ (0.0290 g, 0.06 mmol), B₂Pin₂ (0.3304 g, 1.3 mmol), KOAc (0.2945 g, 3 mmol), **1b** (0.2268 g, 1.3 mmol)/dioxane (2 mL) for the first step, K₂CO₃ (0.4143 g, 3 mmol), and **1g** (0.1406 g, 1 mmol)/dioxane (2 mL) for the second step, afforded **2bg**⁶ (0.1944 g, 81%) (eluent: petroleum ether (60 °C ~ 90 °C)/ ethyl acetate /DCM = 20:1:1 (330 mL) to 16:1:1 (380 mL) to 10:1:1 (240 mL)): solid; m. p. 116.1-119.0°C (*n*-hexane/DCM); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.08 (s, 1H, CHO), 8.14 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.98 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.78 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.70 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H, ArH), 3.95 (s, 3H, OCH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.7, 166.7, 145.8, 144.0, 135.7, 130.3, 130.2, 129.9, 127.9, 127.3, 52.2; IR (KBr) ν (cm⁻¹) 2959, 2839, 2740, 1735, 1724, 1685, 1605, 1577, 1558, 1431, 1392, 1282, 1219, 1171, 1102, 1006; MS (70 ev, EI) *m/z* (%) 241 (M⁺ + 1, 13.31), 240 (M⁺, 84.46), 209 (100).

6. Synthesis of 2'-formyl-4-(methoxycarbonyl)-1,1'-biphenyl **2hb** (dxy-2-028)

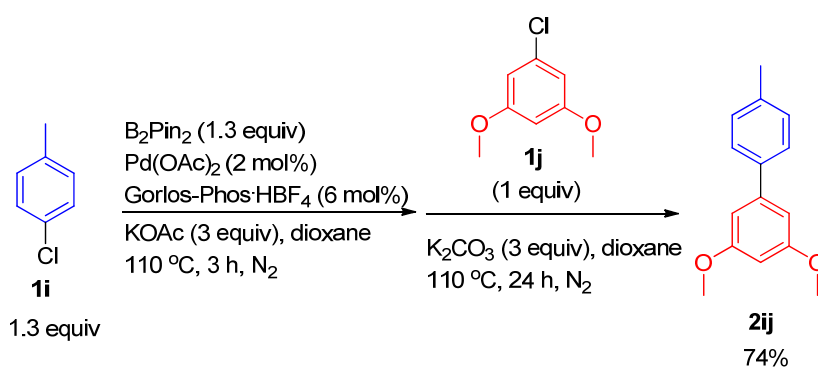


Following **Typical Procedure I**, the reaction of Pd(OAc)₂ (0.0043 g, 0.02 mmol), Gorlos-Phos·HBF₄ (0.0286 g, 0.06 mmol), B₂Pin₂ (0.3299 g, 1.3 mmol), KOAc (0.2947 g, 3 mmol), **1h** (0.1880 g, 1.3 mmol)/dioxane (2 mL) for the first step, K₂CO₃

(0.4147 g, 3 mmol), and **1b** (0.1736 g, 1 mmol)/dioxane (2 mL) for the second step, afforded **2hb**⁷ (0.2196 g, 92%) (eluent: petroleum ether (60 °C ~ 90 °C)/ethyl acetate/DCM = 35:1:1 (750 mL)): solid; m. p. 66.5-68.9 °C (*n*-hexane/DCM); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.96 (s, 1H, CHO), 8.15 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H, ArH), 8.05 (dd, *J*₁ = 8.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 1.4 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.67 (td, *J*₁ = 7.5 Hz, *J*₂ = 1.5 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.46 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 4H, ArH), 3.97 (s, 3H, OCH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.7, 166.6, 144.6, 142.4, 133.65, 133.62, 130.6, 130.0, 129.8, 129.6, 128.4, 127.9, 52.2; IR (KBr) ν (cm⁻¹) 2956, 2859, 2757, 1715, 1694, 1654, 1605, 1593, 1560, 1474, 1431, 1401, 1320, 1283, 1187, 1106, 1021, 1004; MS (70 eV, EI) *m/z* (%) 241 (M⁺ + 1, 5.06), 240 (M⁺, 38.73), 152 (100).

7. Synthesis of 3,5-dimethoxy-4'-methyl-1,1'-biphenyl **2ij**. (dxy-1-182, dxy-2-035)

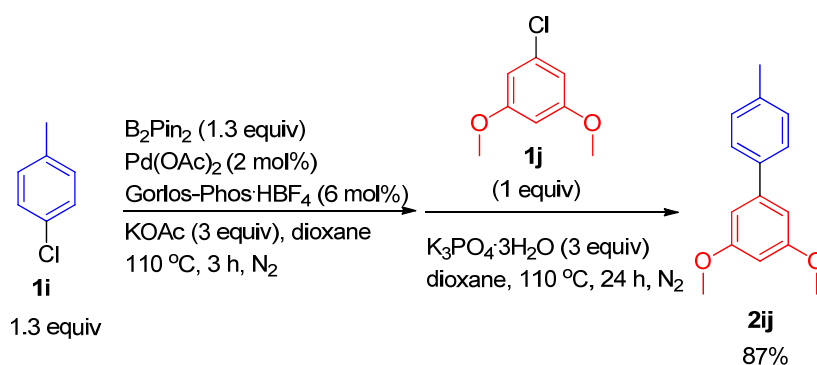
(1) The reaction with K₂CO₃ being used in the second step



Following **Typical Procedure I**, the reaction of Pd(OAc)₂ (0.0045 g, 0.02 mmol), Gorlos-Phos·HBF₄ (0.0285 g, 0.06 mmol), B₂Pin₂ (0.3301 g, 1.3 mmol), KOAc (0.2944 g, 3 mmol), **1i** (0.1650 g, 1.3 mmol)/dioxane (2 mL) for the first step, K₂CO₃ (0.4144 g, 3 mmol), and **1j** (0.1757 g, 1 mmol)/dioxane (2 mL) for the second step, afforded **2ij**⁸ (0.1682 g, 74%) (petroleum ether (60 °C ~ 90 °C)/ethyl ether = 80:1 (240

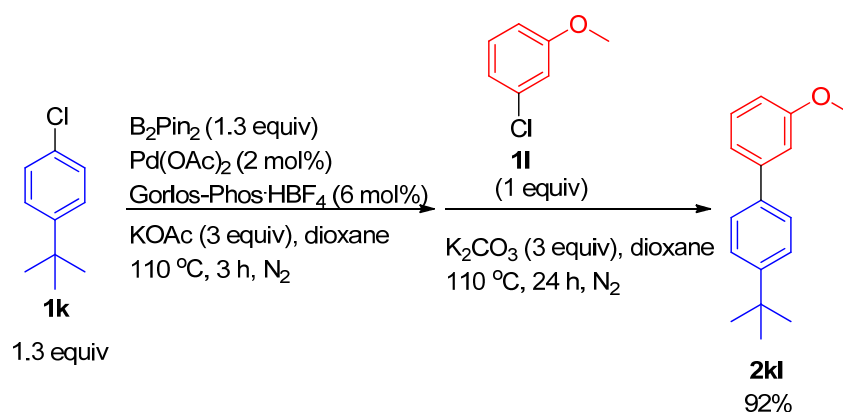
mL) to 60:1 (240 mL)): solid; m. p. 53.7-55.7 (*n*-hexane/DCM) (lit.⁸ 55-56 °C (hexane)); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.48 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.23 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H, ArH), 6.72 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 2H, ArH), 6.45 (t, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H, ArH), 3.84 (s, 6H, 2×OCH₃), 2.39 (s, 3H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.0, 143.4, 138.3, 137.3, 129.4, 127.0, 105.2, 99.0, 55.3, 21.0; IR (KBr) ν (cm⁻¹) 3015, 2981, 2955, 2934, 2835, 1592, 1568, 1516, 1453, 1424, 1399, 1352, 1323, 1313, 1220, 1205, 1151, 1114, 1070, 1060, 1034; MS (70 ev, EI) *m/z* (%) 229 (M⁺ + 1, 18.50), 228 (M⁺, 100).

(2) The reaction with K₃PO₄·3H₂O being used in the second step



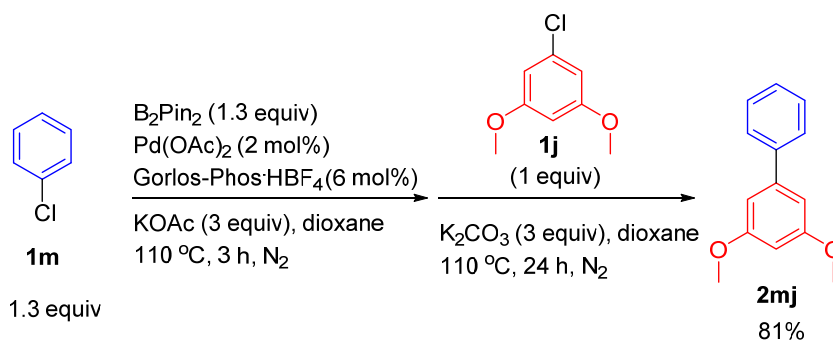
Following **Typical Procedure I**, the reaction of Pd(OAc)₂ (0.0045 g, 0.02 mmol), Gorlos-Phos·HBF₄ (0.0283 g, 0.06 mmol), B₂Pin₂ (0.3312 g, 1.3 mmol), KOAc (0.2949 g, 3 mmol), **1i** (0.1654 g, 1.3 mmol)/dioxane (2 mL) for the first step, K₃PO₄·3H₂O (0.7984 g, 3 mmol), and **1j** (0.1761 g, 1 mmol)/dioxane (2 mL) for the second step, afforded **2ij**⁸ (0.1981 g, 87%) (petroleum ether (60 °C ~ 90 °C)/ ethyl acetate = 45:1 (300 mL)): ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.47 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.23 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H, ArH), 6.72 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 2H, ArH), 6.45 (t, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H, ArH), 3.84 (s, 6H, 2 × OCH₃), 2.39 (s, 3H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.0, 143.3, 138.2, 137.3, 129.4, 127.0, 105.2, 99.0, 55.3, 21.0.

8. Synthesis of 4'-*tert*-Butyl-3-methoxy-1,1'-biphenyl 2kl. (dxy-2-016)



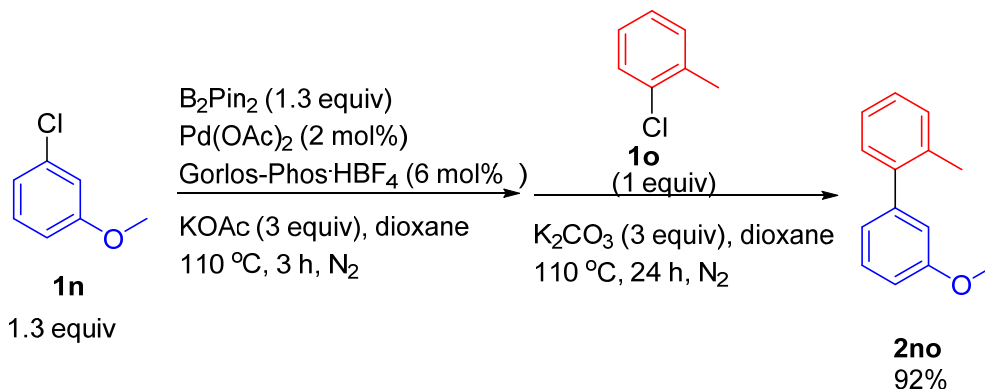
Following **Typical Procedure I**, the reaction of $Pd(OAc)_2$ (0.0045 g, 0.02 mmol), Gorlos-Phos· HBF_4 (0.0288 g, 0.06 mmol), B_2Pin_2 (0.3305 g, 1.3 mmol), KOAc (0.2943 g, 3 mmol), **1k** (0.2253 g, 1.3 mmol)/dioxane (2 mL) for the first step, K_2CO_3 (0.4143 g, 3 mmol), and **11** (0.1451 g, 1 mmol)/dioxane (2 mL) for the second step, afforded **2kl**⁹ (0.2253 g, 92%, purity = 98%) (petroleum ether (60 °C ~ 90 °C)/ ethyl acetate = 200:1 (800 mL)): liquid; 1H NMR (300 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.54 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.47 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.35 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.21-7.11 (m, 2H, ArH), 6.88 (ddd, J_1 = 8.1 Hz, J_2 = 2.6 Hz, J_3 = 0.9 Hz, 1H, ArH), 3.86 (s, 3H, OCH_3), 1.36 (s, 9H, $3 \times CH_3$); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 159.8, 150.4, 142.6, 138.1, 129.7, 126.8, 125.7, 119.5, 112.7, 112.3, 55.2, 34.5, 31.3; IR (neat) ν (cm^{-1}) 3028, 2962, 2904, 2867, 2830, 1600, 1584, 1560, 1517, 1481, 1463, 1397, 1362, 1296, 1269, 1222, 1213, 1178, 1111, 1054, 1033, 1010; MS (70 ev, EI) m/z (%) 241 ($M^+ + 1$, 7.05), 240 (M^+ , 37.78), 225 (100).

9. Synthesis of 3,5-dimethoxy-1,1'-biphenyl **2mj** (dxy-1-183)



Following **Typical Procedure I**, the reaction of $Pd(OAc)_2$ (0.0045 g, 0.02 mmol), Gorlos-Phos· HBF_4 (0.0285 g, 0.06 mmol), B_2Pin_2 (0.3305 g, 1.3 mmol), KOAc (0.2947 g, 3 mmol), **1m** (0.1465 g, 1.3 mmol)/dioxane (2 mL) for the first step, K_2CO_3 (0.4145 g, 3 mmol), and **1j** (0.1766 g, 1 mmol)/dioxane (2 mL) for the second step, afforded **2mj**¹⁰ (0.1747 g, 81%) (eluent: petroleum ether (60 °C ~ 90 °C)/ether = 80:1 (400 mL): liquid; 1H NMR (300 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.61-7.55 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.47-7.32 (m, 3H, ArH), 6.74 (d, $J = 2.4$ Hz, 2H, ArH), 6.47 (t, $J = 2.3$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 3.85 (s, 6H, 2× OCH_3); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 161.0, 143.5, 141.2, 128.7, 127.5, 127.2, 105.4, 99.2, 55.4; IR (neat) ν (cm^{-1}) 3000, 2955, 2937, 2837, 1596, 1575, 1500, 1463, 1417, 1352, 1335, 1218, 1205, 1155, 1066, 1025; MS (70 ev, EI) m/z (%) 215 ($M^+ + 1$, 16.48), 214 (M^+ , 100).

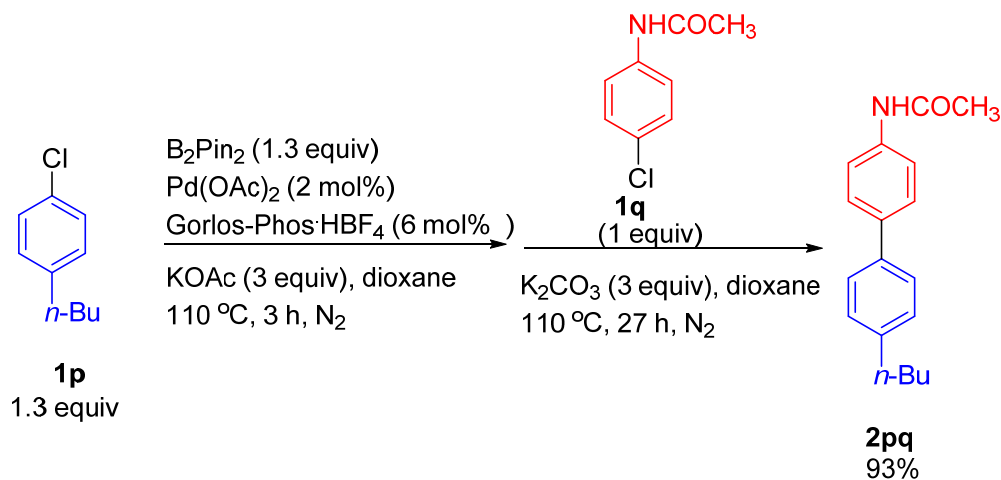
10. Synthesis of 3'-methoxy-2-methyl-1,1'-biphenyl **2no** (dxy-3-037)



Following **Typical Procedure I**, the reaction of $Pd(OAc)_2$ (0.0046 g, 0.02 mmol),

Gorlos-Phos·HBF₄ (0.0285 g, 0.06 mmol), B₂Pin₂ (0.3303 g, 1.3 mmol), KOAc (0.2946 g, 3 mmol), **1n** (0.1892 g, 1.3 mmol)/dioxane (2 mL) for the first step, K₂CO₃ (0.4146 g, 3 mmol) and **1o** (0.1278 g, 1 mmol)/dioxane (2 mL) for the second step, afforded **2no**¹¹ (0.1844 g, 92%) (eluent: petroleum ether (60 °C ~ 90 °C) (500 mL)): liquid; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.31-7.14 (m, 5H, ArH), 6.94-6.80 (m, 3H, ArH), 3.76 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 2.26 (s, 3H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.3, 143.3, 141.8, 135.2, 130.2, 129.6, 129.0, 127.2, 125.7, 121.6, 114.8, 112.2, 55.0, 20.3; IR (neat) ν (cm⁻¹) 3061, 3014, 2954, 2834, 1599, 1581, 1476, 1464, 1423, 1317, 1297, 1277, 1221, 1212, 1178, 1046, 1023; MS (70 ev, EI) m/z (%) 199 (M⁺ + 1, 29.96), 198 (M⁺, 100).

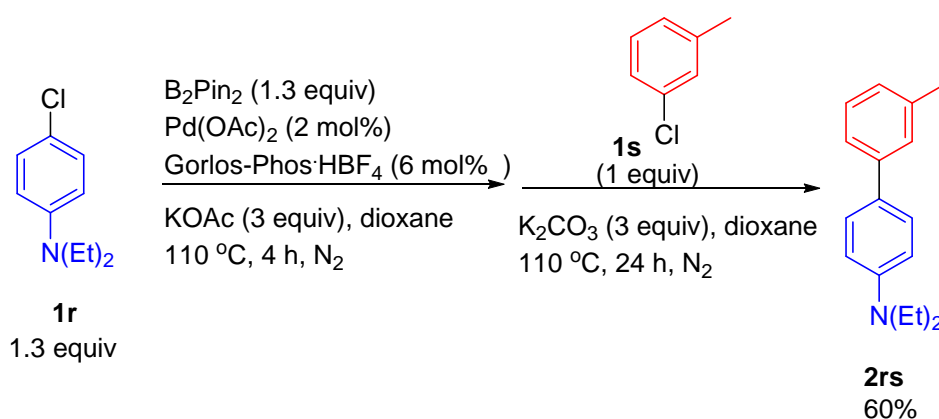
11. Synthesis of N-(4'-butyl-[1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl)acetamide **2pq** (dxy-3-046)



Following **Typical Procedure I**, the reaction of Pd(OAc)₂ (0.0043 g, 0.02 mmol), Gorlos-Phos·HBF₄ (0.0286 g, 0.06 mmol), B₂Pin₂ (0.3304 g, 1.3 mmol), KOAc (0.2943 g, 3 mmol), **1p** (0.2195 g, 1.3 mmol)/dioxane (2 mL) for the first step, K₂CO₃ (0.4148 g, 3 mmol) and **1q** (0.1693 g, 1 mmol)/dioxane (2 mL) for the second step, afforded **2pq** (0.2491 g, 93%) (eluent: petroleum ether (60 °C ~ 90 °C)/ethyl

acetate/DCM = 2/1/1 (400 mL)): solid; m.p. 172.9-173.4 °C (*n*-hexane/DCM); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.71 (br, 1H, NH); 7.60-7.42 (m, 6H, ArH), 7.22 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H, ArH), 2.64 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 2.18 (s, 3H, COCH₃), 1.70-1.54 (m, 2H, CH₂), 1.46-1.30 (m, 2H, CH₂), 0.94 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 169.0, 141.8, 137.6, 137.0, 128.8, 127.2, 126.5, 120.5, 35.2, 33.5, 24.3, 22.3, 13.9; IR (KBr) ν (cm⁻¹) 3302, 2959, 2925, 2855, 1661, 1603, 1570, 1543, 1499, 1421, 1398, 1384, 1317; MS (70 ev, EI) *m/z* (%) 268 (M⁺ + 1, 15.88), 267 (M⁺, 85.24), 182 (100); Anal. Calcd for C₁₈H₂₁NO: C 80.86, H 7.92, N 5.24; Found: C 80.83, H 7.67, N 5.14.

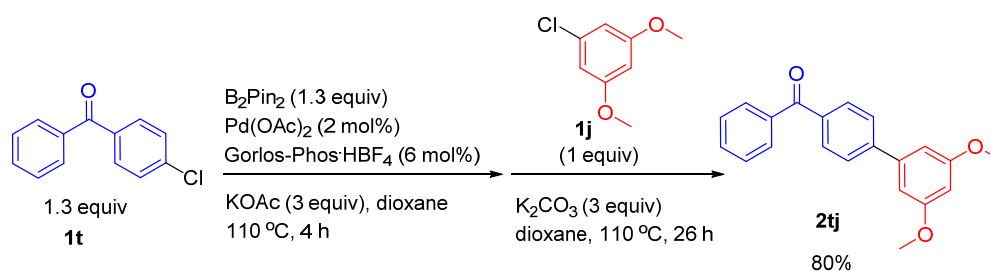
12. Synthesis of *N,N*-diethyl-3'-methyl-[1,1'-biphenyl]-4-amine **2rs** (dxy-3-044)



Following **Typical Procedure I**, the reaction of Pd(OAc)₂ (0.0047 g, 0.02 mmol), Gorlos-Phos·HBF₄ (0.0289 g, 0.06 mmol), B₂Pin₂ (0.3305 g, 1.3 mmol), KOAc (0.2948 g, 3 mmol), **1r** (0.2390 g, 1.3 mmol)/dioxane (2 mL) for the first step, K₂CO₃ (0.4148 g, 3 mmol) and **1s** (0.1267 g, 1 mmol)/dioxane (2 mL) for the second step. The crude residue was first purified by chromatography on silica gel (eluent: petroleum ether/ DCM = 8/1 (720 mL)) to afford impure **2rs** (0.1758 g), which was

further purified by chromatography on silica gel (eluent: petroleum ether (60 °C ~ 90 °C) / ethyl acetate = 400/1 (800 mL)) to afford **2rs** (0.1515 g, purity = 95%, 60%): solid; m.p. 53.7-54.5 °C (*n*-hexane/DCM); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.46 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.39-7.31 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.30-7.22 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.10-7.00 (m, 1H, ArH), 6.72 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 2H, ArH), 3.36 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 4H, CH₂ × 2), 2.39 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.17 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 6H, CH₃ × 2); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 147.1, 141.3, 138.0, 128.5, 128.1, 127.9, 126.9, 126.5, 123.2, 111.9, 44.3, 21.6, 12.6; IR (neat) ν (cm⁻¹) 2970, 2928, 1612, 1524, 1485, 1398, 1374, 1356, 1267, 1200, 1155, 1092, 1077, 1010; MS (70 ev, EI) m/z (%) 240 (M⁺ + 1, 8.10), 239 (M⁺, 47.95), 224 (100); HRMS calcd for C₁₇H₂₁N (M⁺): 239.1674, found: 239.1678.

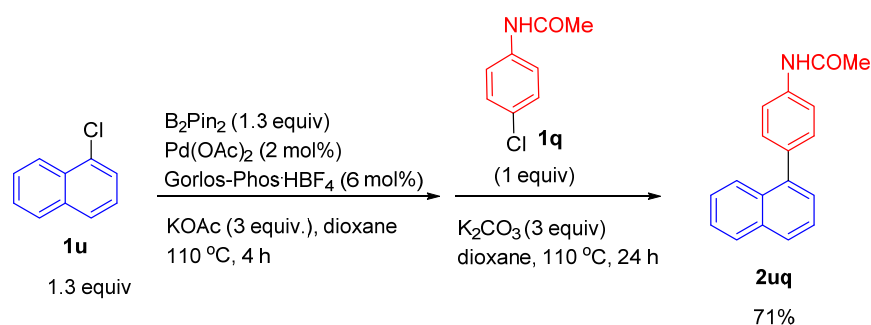
13. Synthesis of 3,5-dimethoxy-4'-benzoyl-1,1'-biphenyl **2tj**. (dxy-1-175)



Following **Typical Procedure I**, the reaction of Pd(OAc)₂ (0.0047 g, 0.02 mmol), Gorlos-Phos·HBF₄ (0.0286 g, 0.06 mmol), B₂Pin₂ (0.3301 g, 1.3 mmol), KOAc (0.2948 g, 3 mmol), **1t** (0.2822 g, 1.3 mmol)/dioxane (2 mL) for the first step, K₂CO₃ (0.4147 g, 3 mmol), and **1j** (0.1761 g, 1 mmol)/dioxane (2 mL) for the second step afforded **2tj** (0.2536 g, 80%) (eluent: petroleum ether (60 °C ~ 90 °C)/ethyl acetate/DCM = 20:1:2 (550 mL)): solid; m. p. 107-108 °C (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.91-7.80 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.71-7.65 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.63-7.56 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.54-7.46 (m, 2H, ArH), 6.77 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 2H,

ArH), 6.51 (t, $J = 2.4$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 3.85 (s, 6H, OCH₃ × 2); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.2, 161.1, 145.1, 142.1, 137.6, 136.4, 132.3, 130.6, 129.9, 128.2, 127.0, 105.5, 99.9, 55.4; IR (KBr) ν (cm⁻¹) 3054, 3013, 2958, 2936, 2836, 1657, 1597, 1455, 1428, 1399, 1353, 1318, 1274, 1206, 1158, 1083, 1068, 1038; MS (70 eV, EI) m/z (%): 319 (M⁺ + 1, 23.93), 318 (M⁺, 100); Anal. Calcd for C₂₁H₁₈O₃: C 79.22, H 5.70. Found: C 79.21, H 5.74.

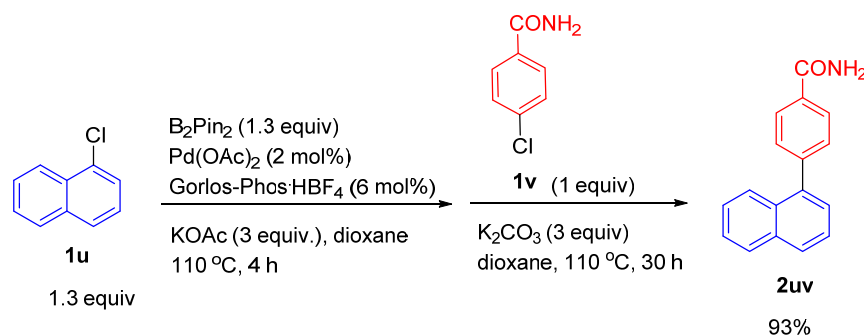
14. Synthesis of *N*-(4-(1-naphthalenyl)phenyl)acetamide **2uq** (dxy-1-169)



Following **Typical Procedure I**, the reaction of Pd(OAc)₂ (0.0046 g, 0.02 mmol), Gorlos-Phos-HBF₄ (0.0285 g, 0.06 mmol), B₂Pin₂ (0.3299 g, 1.3 mmol), KOAc (0.2948 g, 3 mmol), **1u** (0.2111 g, 1.3 mmol)/dioxane (2 mL) for the first step, K₂CO₃ (0.4150 g, 3 mmol), and **1q** (0.1733 g, 1 mmol)/dioxane (2 mL) for the second step, afforded impure **2uq** (0.2619 g) (eluent: petroleum ether (60 °C ~ 90 °C)/ethyl acetate/DCM = 10:1:1 (240 mL) to 3:1:1 (300 mL) to 1:1:1 (300 mL)), which was further purified by recrystallization to afford pure **2uq**¹² (0.1861 g, 71%): solid; m. p. 205.4-206.4 °C (DCM/ethyl acetate) (lit.¹¹ 198-199 °C (petroleum/benzene)); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.90-7.80 (m, 3H, ArH), 7.63 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.55-7.35 (m, 7H, ArH + NH), 2.24 (s, 3H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 168.5, 139.5, 137.0, 136.7, 133.8, 131.6, 130.6, 128.3, 127.6, 126.9, 126.0, 125.9, 125.8,

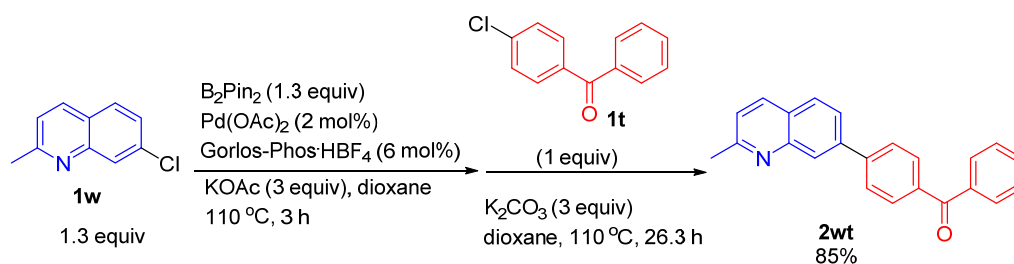
125.3, 119.8, 24.6; IR (KBr) ν (cm^{-1}) 3228, 3096, 3049, 1655, 1589, 1541, 1519, 1504, 1395, 1366, 1311, 1295, 1263, 1180, 1105, 1025; MS (70 ev, EI) m/z (%) 262 ($M^+ + 1$, 17.03), 261 (M^+ , 82.98), 219 (100);

15. Synthesis of 4-(naphthalen-1-yl)benzamide **2uv** (dxy-1-171)



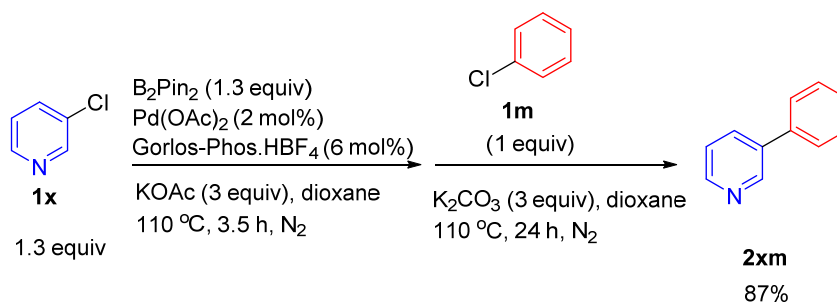
Following **Typical Procedure I**, the reaction of $\text{Pd}(\text{OAc})_2$ (0.0048 g, 0.02 mmol), Gorlos-Phos $\cdot\text{HBF}_4$ (0.0288 g, 0.06 mmol), B_2Pin_2 (0.3305 g, 1.3 mmol), KOAc (0.2947 g, 3 mmol), **1u** (0.2117 g, 1.3 mmol)/dioxane (2 mL) for the first step, K_2CO_3 (0.4143 g, 3 mmol), and **1v** (0.1589 g, 1 mmol)/dioxane (2 mL) for the second step, afforded **2uv**¹³ (0.2293 g, 93%) (eluent: petroleum ether (60 °C ~ 90 °C) (300 mL) to ethyl acetate/DCM = 1:2 (300 mL)): solid; m. p. 181.7-182.2 °C (ethyl acetate); ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.03-7.79 (m, 5H, ArH), 7.65-7.36 (m, 6H, ArH), 6.28 (brs, 2H, NH_2); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 169.3, 144.7, 139.0, 133.8, 132.2, 131.3, 130.3, 128.4, 128.2, 127.4, 126.9, 126.3, 126.0, 125.6, 125.3; IR (KBr) ν (cm^{-1}) 3338, 3179, 1642, 1614, 1554, 1414, 1397, 1019; MS (70 ev, EI) m/z (%) 248 ($M^+ + 1$, 18.64), 247 (M^+ , 100).

16. Synthesis of (4-(2-methylquinolin-7-yl)phenyl) phenyl ketone **2wt** (dxy-1-150)



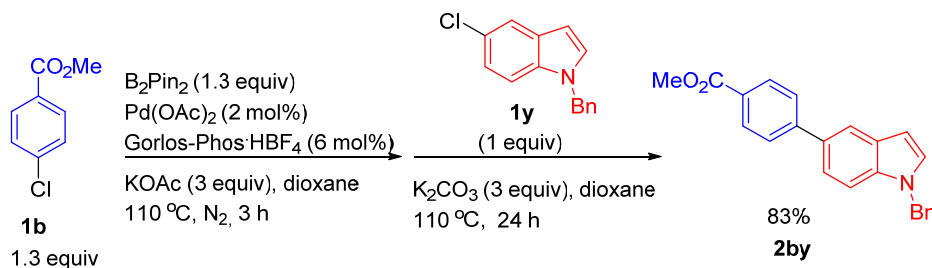
Following **Typical Procedure I**, the reaction of $Pd(OAc)_2$ (0.0046 g, 0.02 mmol), Gorlos-Phos· HBF_4 (0.0286 g, 0.06 mmol), B_2Pin_2 (0.3306 g, 1.3 mmol), KOAc (0.2951 g, 3 mmol), **1w** (0.2387 g, 1.3 mmol)/dioxane (2 mL) for the first step, K_2CO_3 (0.4154 g, 3 mmol), and **1t** (0.2182 g, 1 mmol)/dioxane (2 mL) for the second step, afforded **2wt** (0.2749 g, 85%) (eluent: petroleum ether (60 °C ~ 90 °C)/ethyl acetate/DCM = 10:1:1 (360 mL) to 6:1:1 (400 mL) to 5:1:1 (560 mL)): solid; m. p. 123.4-124.5 °C (hexane/DCM); 1H NMR (300 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 8.32 (s, 1H, ArH), 8.07 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H, ArH), 8.00-7.73 (m, 8H, ArH), 7.61 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.51 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.31 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H, ArH), 2.77 (s, 3H, CH_3); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 196.2, 159.8, 148.0, 144.4, 140.7, 137.7, 136.6, 135.8, 132.4, 130.8, 129.9, 128.3, 128.2, 127.2, 126.9, 126.0, 124.9, 122.3, 25.4; IR (KBr) ν (cm^{-1}) 3065, 2919, 1658, 1620, 1602, 1573, 1521, 1493, 1444, 1401, 1362, 1315, 1286, 1277, 1216, 1201, 1154, 1124, 1070, 1025; MS (70 ev, EI) m/z (%) 324 ($M^+ + 1$, 32.97), 323 (M^+ , 100); Anal. Calcd for $C_{23}H_{17}NO$: C 85.42, H 5.30, N 4.33. Found: C 85.40, H 5.44, N 4.12.

17. Synthesis of 3-phenylpyridine **2xm** (dxy-2-009)



Following **Typical Procedure I**, the reaction of $Pd(OAc)_2$ (0.0044 g, 0.02 mmol), Gorlos-Phos.HBF₄ (0.0289 g, 0.06 mmol), B_2Pin_2 (0.3306 g, 1.3 mmol), KOAc (0.2944 g, 3 mmol), **1x** (0.1425 g, 1.3 mmol)/dioxane (2 mL) for the first step, K_2CO_3 (0.4148 g, 3 mmol), and **1m** (0.1130 g, 1 mmol)/dioxane (2 mL) for the second step, afforded **2xm**¹⁴ (0.1356 g, 87%) (eluent: petroleum ether (60 °C ~ 90 °C)/ethyl acetate /DCM = 10:1:1 (240 mL) to 8:1:1 (300 mL) to 5:1:1 (420 mL)): liquid; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.85 (d, $J = 2.1$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 8.59 (dd, $J_1 = 5.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.7$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.90-7.80 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.62-7.52 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.51-7.29 (m, 4H, ArH); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 148.4, 148.3, 137.7, 136.5, 134.2, 129.0, 128.0, 127.0, 123.4; IR (neat) ν (cm⁻¹) 3406, 3055, 3031, 1582, 1566, 1473, 1450, 1408, 1336. 1274, 1235, 1188, 1126, 1107, 1074, 1023, 1006; MS (70 eV, EI) m/z (%) 156 ($M^+ + 1$, 11.64), 155 (M^+ , 100).

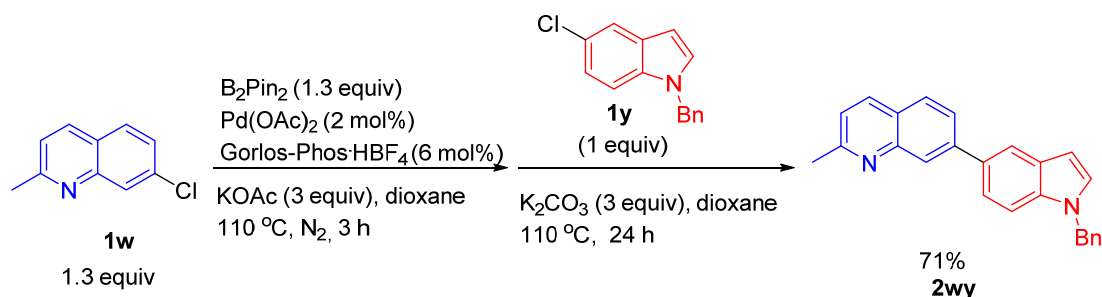
18. Synthesis of methyl 4-(1-benzyl-1H-indol-5-yl)benzoate **2by**. (dxy-2-010)



Following **Typical Procedure I**, the reaction of $Pd(OAc)_2$ (0.0047 g, 0.02 mmol),

Gorlos-Phos·HBF₄ (0.0285 g, 0.06 mmol), B₂Pin₂ (0.3301 g, 1.3 mmol), KOAc (0.2950 g, 3 mmol), **1b** (0.2268 g, 1.3 mmol)/dioxane (2 mL) for the first step, K₂CO₃ (0.4150 g, 3 mmol), and **1y** (0.2418 g, 1 mmol)/dioxane (2 mL) for the second step, afforded **2by** (0.2832 g, 83%) (eluent: petroleum ether (60 °C ~ 90 °C)/diethyl ether/DCM = 40:1:12 (580 mL)): solid; m. p. 123.8-126.3 °C (hexane/DCM); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.08 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.90 (d, *J* = 1.2 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.79 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.43 (dd, *J*₁ = 8.7 Hz, *J*₂ = 1.7 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.37-7.24 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.16 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.13-7.04 (m, 2H, ArH), 6.61 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H, ArH), 5.32 (s, 2H, CH₂), 3.92 (s, 3H, OCH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.2, 147.0, 137.2, 136.2, 131.7, 130.0, 129.2, 128.8, 127.8, 127.7, 127.0, 126.7, 121.4, 119.8, 110.1, 102.3, 52.0, 50.2; IR (KBr) ν (cm⁻¹) 3127, 3088, 3026, 2946, 2856, 2839, 1717, 1605, 1506, 1491, 1478, 1450, 1434, 1411, 1384, 1353, 1336, 1317, 1280, 1263, 1193, 1152, 1111, 1077, 1019; MS (70 ev, EI) *m/z* (%) 342 (M⁺ + 1, 24.98), 341 (M⁺, 100); Anal. Calcd for C₂₃H₁₉NO₂: C 80.92, H 5.61, N 4.10. Found: C 80.71, H 5.66, N 3.87.

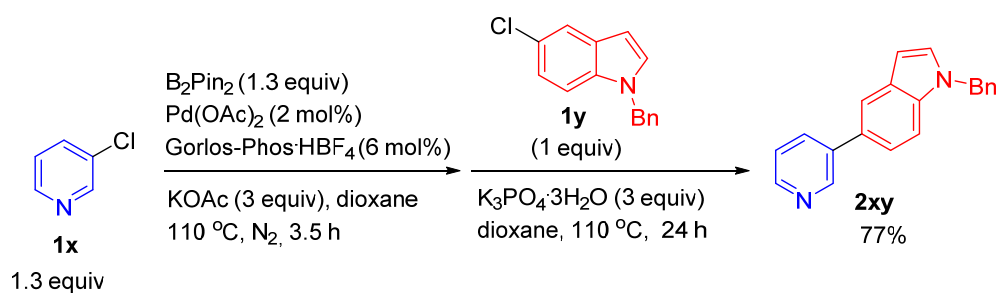
19. Synthesis of 7-(1-benzyl-1*H*-indol-5-yl)-2-methylquinoline **2wy** (dxy-2-018)



Following **Typical Procedure I**, the reaction of Pd(OAc)₂ (0.0046 g, 0.02 mmol), Gorlos-Phos·HBF₄ (0.0283 g, 0.06 mmol), B₂Pin₂ (0.3304 g, 1.3 mmol), KOAc

(0.2950 g, 3 mmol), **1w** (0.2386 g, 1.3 mmol)/dioxane (2 mL) for the first step, K₂CO₃ (0.4152 g, 3 mmol), and **1y** (0.2422 g, 1 mmol)/dioxane (2 mL) for the second step, afforded **2wy** (0.2490 g, 71%) (eluent: petroleum ether (60 °C ~ 90 °C)/ethyl acetate/DCM = 10:1:2 (520 mL) to 9:1:2 (360 mL) to 8:1:2 (440 mL)): solid; m. p. 154.4-155.4 °C (hexane/DCM); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.30 (s, 1H, ArH), 8.06-7.98 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.86-7.76 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.60 (dd, *J*₁ = 8.6 Hz, *J*₂ = 1.7 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.42-7.08 (m, 8H, ArH), 6.63 (d, *J* = 3.3 Hz, 1H, ArH), 5.33 (s, 2H, CH₂), 2.75 (s, 3H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.2, 148.2, 143.4, 137.3, 136.0, 135.8, 132.1, 129.2, 129.1, 128.8, 127.62, 127.60, 126.7, 125.85, 125.80, 125.0, 121.6, 121.4, 119.9, 110.1, 102.2, 50.1, 25.4; IR (KBr) ν (cm⁻¹) 1616, 1600, 1512, 1495, 1482, 1452, 1439, 1413, 1390, 1371, 1355, 1345, 1305, 1287, 1184, 1169, 1126, 1079, 1055, 1027; MS (70 ev, EI) *m/z* (%) 349 (M⁺ + 1, 15.47), 348 (M⁺, 55.81), 91 (100); Anal. Calcd for C₂₅H₂₀N₂: C 86.17, H 5.79, N 8.04. Found: C 86.17, H 5.87, N 7.99.

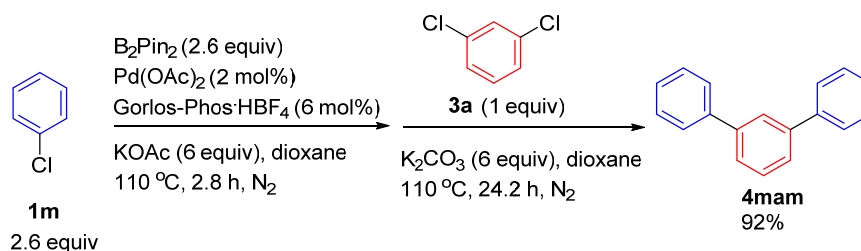
20. Synthesis of 1-benzyl-5-(3-pyridinyl)-1*H*-indole **2xy** (dxy-2-056)



Following **Typical Procedure I**, the reaction of Pd(OAc)₂ (0.0043 g, 0.02 mmol), Gorlos-Phos·HBF₄ (0.0283 g, 0.06 mmol), B₂Pin₂ (0.3294 g, 1.3 mmol), KOAc (0.2955 g, 3 mmol), **1x** (0.1480 g, 1.3 mmol)/dioxane (2 mL) for the first step, K₃PO₄·3H₂O (0.7979 g, 3 mmol), and **1y** (0.2419 g, 1 mmol)/dioxane (2 mL) for the

second step, afforded **2xy** (0.2180 g, 77%) (eluent: petroleum ether (60 °C ~ 90 °C)/ethyl acetate/DCM = 6:1:1 (400 mL) to 4:1:1 (450 mL)): solid; m. p. 132.7-135.5 °C (hexane/DCM); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.90 (s, 1H, ArH), 8.54 (d, *J* = 4.5 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.90 (dt, *J*₁ = 8.1 Hz, *J*₂ = 2.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.86 (t, *J* = 1.2 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.43-7.23 (m, 6H, ArH), 7.19 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.17-7.10 (m, 2H, ArH), 6.63 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 5.35 (s, 2H, CH₂); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 148.5, 147.4, 137.9, 137.2, 136.1, 134.4, 129.5, 129.33, 129.27, 128.8, 127.7, 126.7, 123.4, 121.2, 119.7, 110.3, 102.2, 50.2; IR (KBr) ν (cm⁻¹) 1620, 1584, 1575, 1508, 1498, 1467, 1454, 1439, 1413, 1391, 1350, 1332, 1310, 1290, 1270, 1261, 1201, 1184, 1177, 1075, 1042, 1025, 1014; MS (70 ev, EI) *m/z* (%) 284 (M⁺, 37.41), 91(100); Anal. Calcd for C₂₀H₁₆N₂: C 84.48, H 5.67, N 9.85; Found: C 84.26, H 5.74, N 9.79.

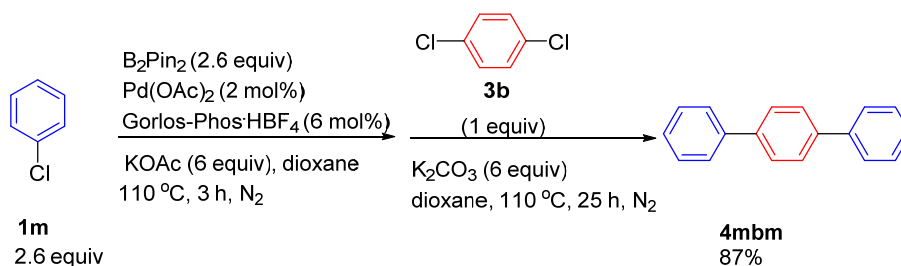
21. Synthesis of 1,3-diphenylbenzene **4mam** (dxy-1-134)



Following **Typical Procedure I**, the reaction of Pd(OAc)₂ (0.0048 g, 0.02 mmol), Gorlos-Phos·HBF₄ (0.0286 g, 0.06 mmol), B₂Pin₂ (0.6596 g, 2.6 mmol), KOAc (0.5883 g, 6 mmol), **1m** (0.2934 g, 2.6 mmol)/dioxane (4 mL) for the first step, K₂CO₃ (0.8297 g, 6 mmol), and **3a** (0.1466 g, 1 mmol)/dioxane (4 mL) for the second step, afforded **4mam**¹⁵ (0.2113 g, 92%) (eluent: petroleum ether (60 °C ~ 90 °C) (400 mL)): solid; m. p. 86.9-87.1 °C (*n*-hexane/diethyl ether) (lit¹⁴. 86-88 °C

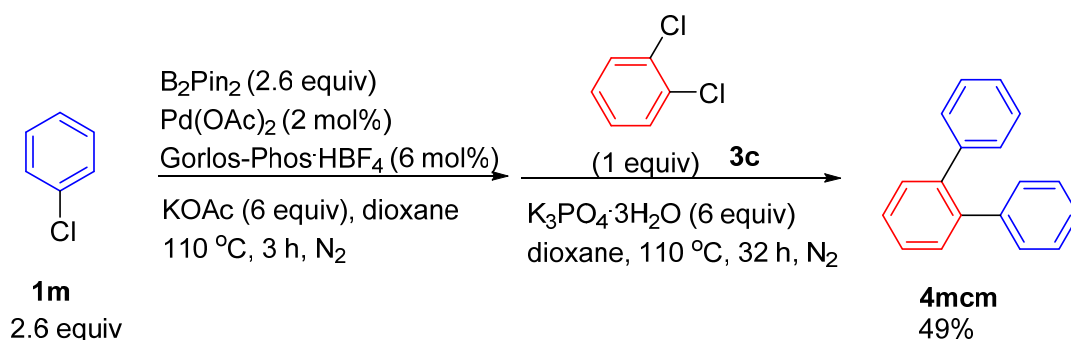
(*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate)); ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.82-7.77 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.68-7.60 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.60-7.54 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.53-7.40 (m, 5H, ArH), 7.40-7.30 (m, 2H, ArH); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 141.8, 141.2, 129.2, 128.8, 127.4, 127.3, 126.2, 126.1; IR (KBr) ν (cm^{-1}) 3057, 3028, 1596, 1569, 1495, 1474, 1438, 1403; MS (70 ev, EI) m/z (%) 231 ($\text{M}^+ + 1$, 19.77), 230 (M^+ , 100).

22. Synthesis of 1,4-diphenylbenzene **4mbm** (dxy-2-065)



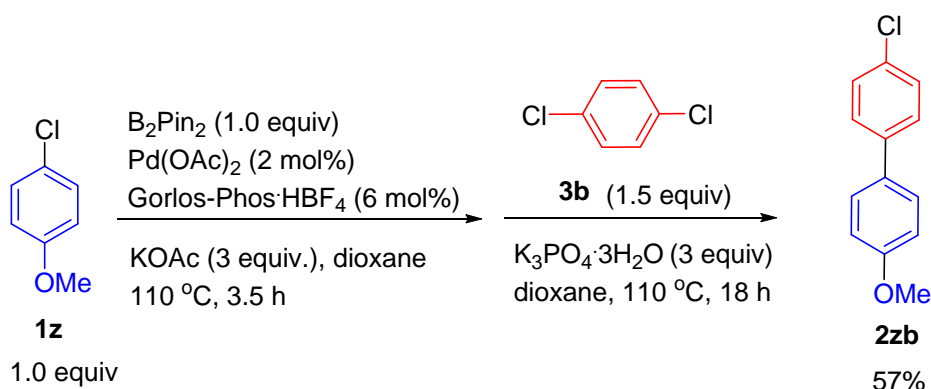
Following **Typical Procedure I**, the reaction of $\text{Pd}(\text{OAc})_2$ (0.0046 g, 0.02 mmol), Gorlos-Phos· HBF_4 (0.0283 g, 0.06 mmol), B_2Pin_2 (0.6604 g, 2.6 mmol), KOAc (0.5890 g, 6 mmol), **1m** (0.2928 g, 2.6 mmol)/dioxane (4 mL) for the first step, K_2CO_3 (0.8399 g, 6 mmol), and **3b** (0.1474 g, 1 mmol)/dioxane (4 mL) for the second step, afforded **4mbm**¹⁶ (0.2010 g, 87%) (eluent: petroleum ether ($60^\circ\text{C} \sim 90^\circ\text{C}$) to petroleum ether ($60^\circ\text{C} \sim 90^\circ\text{C}$)/DCM = 40:1): solid; m. p. $211.0\text{-}212.7^\circ\text{C}$ (*n*-hexane/DCM) (lit¹⁵. $210\text{-}212^\circ\text{C}$ (hexane)); ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.70-7.61 (m, 8H, ArH), 7.50-7.42 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.40-7.32 (m, 2H, ArH); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 140.7, 140.1, 128.8, 127.5, 127.3, 127.0; IR (KBr) ν (cm^{-1}) 3060, 3034, 1595, 1576, 1481, 1455, 1404, 1340, 1259, 1192, 1169, 1133, 1075, 1028, 1004; MS (70 ev, EI) m/z (%) 231 ($\text{M}^+ + 1$, 19.27), 230 (M^+ , 100).

23. Synthesis of 1,2-diphenylbenzene **4mcm** (dxy-2-057)



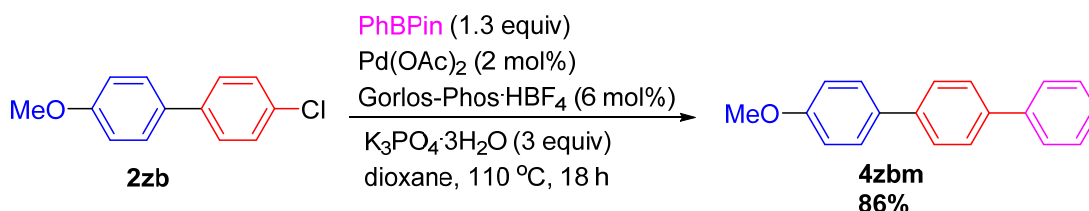
Following **Typical Procedure I**, the reaction of $Pd(OAc)_2$ (0.0047 g, 0.02 mmol), Gorlos-Phos· HBF_4 (0.0290 g, 0.06 mmol), B_2Pin_2 (0.6598 g, 2.6 mmol), KOAc (0.5875 g, 6 mmol), **1m** (0.2925 g, 2.6 mmol)/dioxane (4 mL) for the first step, $K_3PO_4 \cdot 3H_2O$ (1.5975 g, 6 mmol), and **3c** (0.1478 g, 1 mmol)/dioxane (4 mL) for the second step, afforded **4mcm**¹⁷ (0.1139 g, 49%) (petroleum ether (60 °C ~ 90 °C)(450 mL)): liquid; 1H NMR (300 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.47-7.35 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.30-7.05 (m, 10H, ArH); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 141.5, 140.5, 130.6, 129.9, 127.8, 127.5, 126.4; IR (neat) ν (cm^{-1}) 3058, 3020, 1599, 1575, 1495, 1472, 1452, 1443, 1429, 1180, 1156, 1115, 1073, 1009; MS (70 ev, EI) m/z (%) 231 ($M^+ + 1$, 18.66), 230 (M^+ , 100).

24. Synthesis of 4-methoxy-1,1':4',1''-terphenyl **4zbm** (dxy-2-096, dxy-2-104)



Following **Typical Procedure I**, the reaction of $Pd(OAc)_2$ (0.0043 g, 0.02 mmol), Gorlos-Phos· HBF_4 (0.0290 g, 0.06 mmol), B_2Pin_2 (0.2540 g, 1.0 mmol), KOAc (0.2945 g, 3 mmol), **1z** (0.1430 g, 1.0 mmol)/dioxane (2 mL) for the first step,

$K_3PO_4 \cdot 3H_2O$ (0.7989 g, 3 mmol), and **3b** (0.2206 g, 1.5 mmol)/dioxane (2 mL) for the second step, afforded **2zb**¹⁸ (0.1260 g, 57%) (eluent: petroleum ether (60 °C ~ 90 °C)): solid; 114.6-115.2 °C (*n*-hexane/DCM) (lit.¹⁷ 113-114 °C (EtOH)); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.53-7.42 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.40-7.33 (m, 2H, ArH), 6.97 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H, ArH), 3.84 (s, 3H, OCH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.3, 139.2, 132.6, 132.4, 128.8, 128.0, 127.9, 114.3, 55.3; IR (KBr) ν (cm⁻¹) 2963, 2933, 2840, 1607, 1524, 1486, 1397, 1308, 1291, 1264, 1201, 1180, 1133, 1102, 1038, 1014; MS (70 ev, EI) *m/z* (%) 220 (M⁺(³⁷Cl), 31.70), 218 (M⁺(³⁵Cl), 100).



To a flame-dried Schlenk tube were added Pd(OAc)₂ (0.0026 g, 0.011 mmol), Gorlos-Phos·HBF₄ (0.0153 g, 0.032 mmol), Ph-BPin (0.1402 g, 0.69 mmol)/dioxane (1 mL), K₃PO₄·3H₂O (0.4236 g, 1.59 mmol), and **2zb** (0.1151 g, 0.53 mmol)/dioxane (1 mL) sequentially under N₂ atmosphere. The resulting mixture was stirred at 110 °C in a preheated oil bath. After 18 h, the reaction was complete as monitored by TLC. The reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and quenched with an aqueous solution of hydrochloric acid (3 M, 15 mL). The resulting mixture was extracted with DCM (20 mL × 3) and washed with an aqueous solution of NaHCO₃ (15 mL). The combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. After filtration and evaporation, a white solid was obtained, which was then washed with petroleum ether (5 mL × 3) and dried under vacuum to afford **4zbm**¹⁹ (0.1183 g, 86%): solid; m. p.

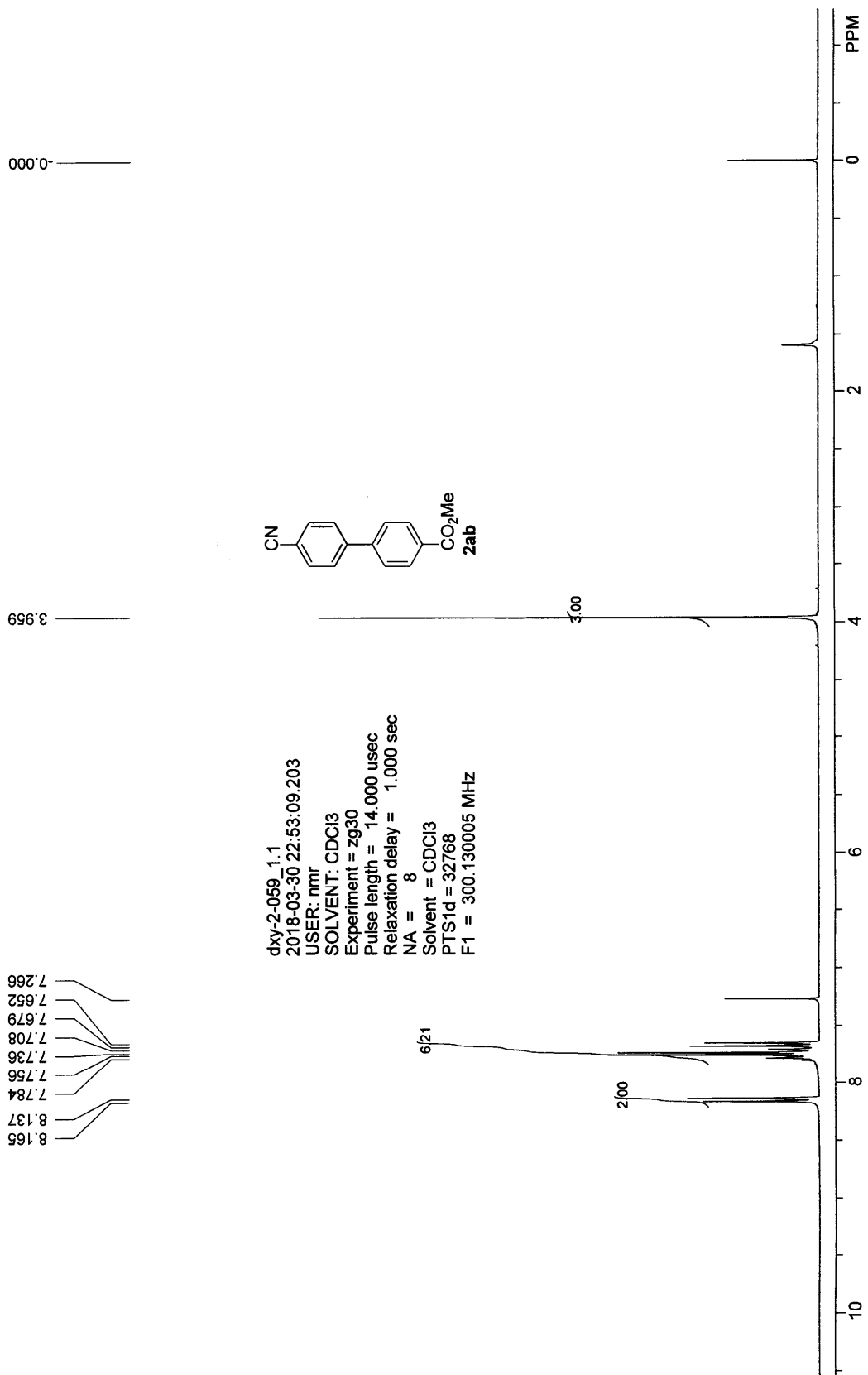
225.3-225.8 °C (DCM) (lit.¹⁸ 224-225 °C (MeOH)); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.72-7.53 (m, 8H, ArH), 7.51-7.41 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.40-7.32 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.00 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H, ArH), 3.87 (s, 3H, OCH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.2, 140.8, 139.7, 139.5, 133.2, 128.8, 128.1, 127.5, 127.2, 127.03, 126.99, 114.3, 55.4; IR (KBr) ν (cm⁻¹) 3056, 3034, 3002, 2961, 2937, 2836, 1607, 1582, 1534, 1508, 1485, 1466, 1449, 1440, 1402, 1287, 1255, 1219, 1179, 1141, 1117, 1043, 1030; MS (70 ev, EI) *m/z* (%) 261 (M⁺ + 1, 21.36), 260 (M⁺, 100).

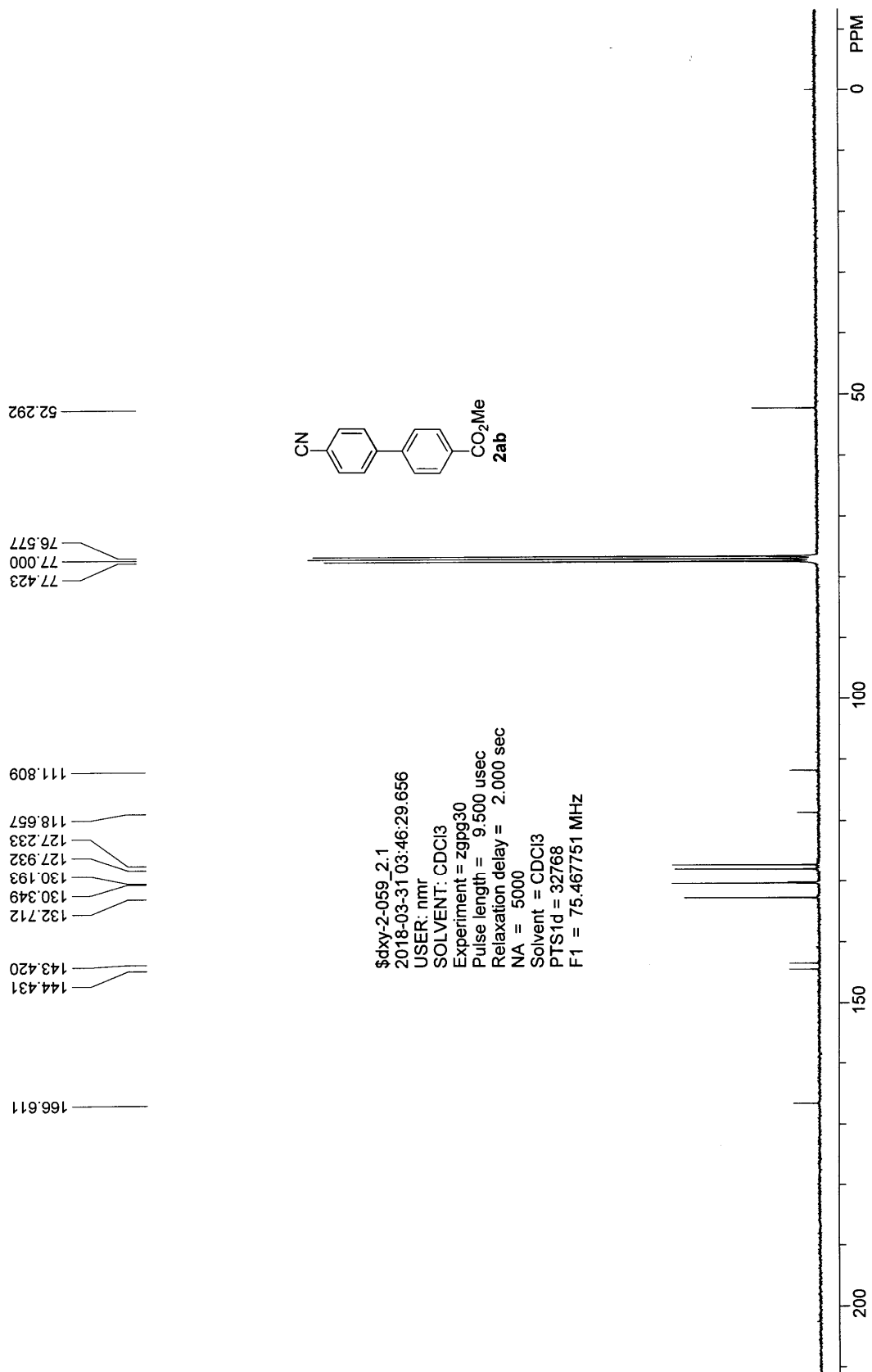
Cytotoxicity Study

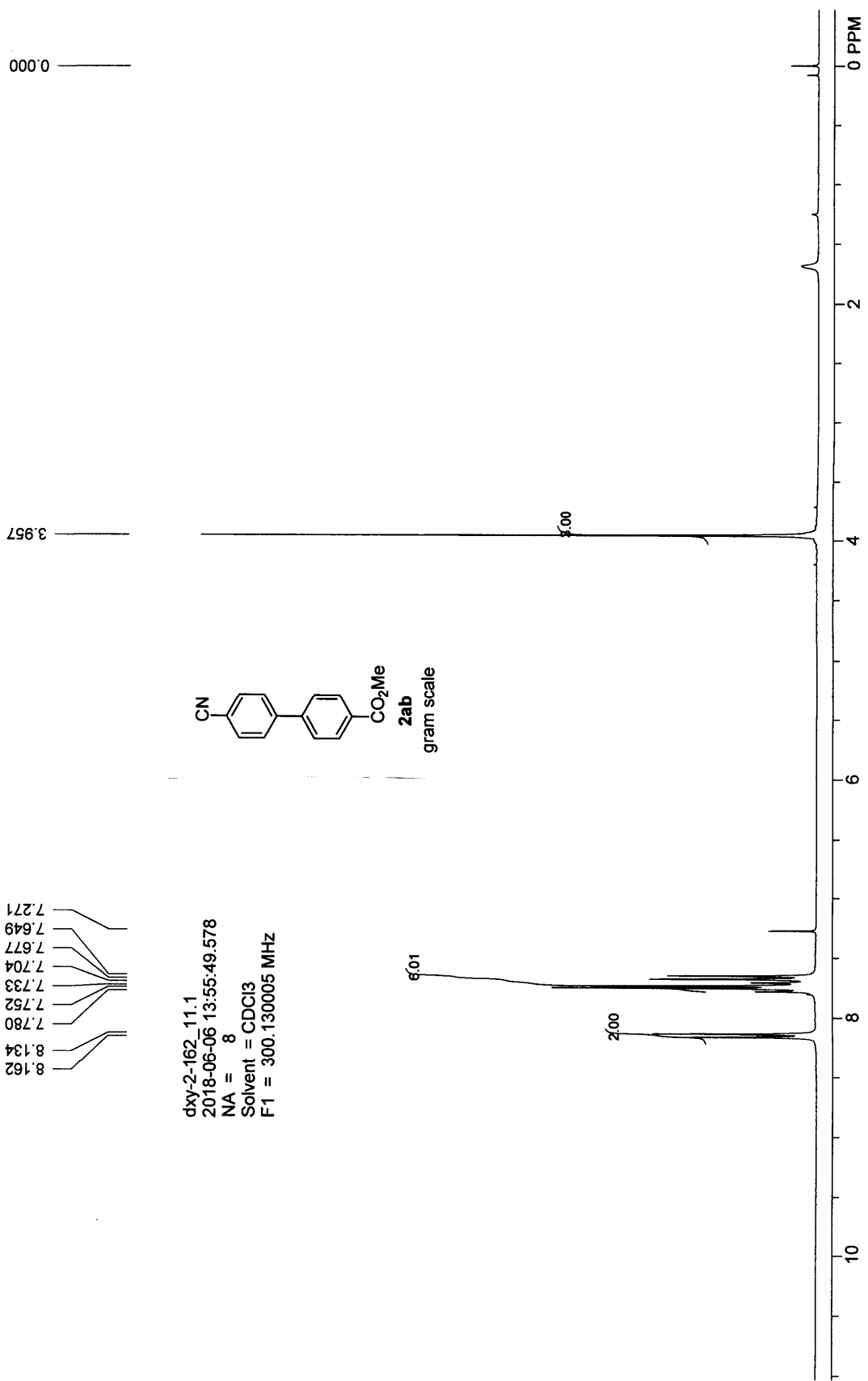
Human non-small cell lung cancer A549 cells were from ATCC (Manassas, VA) and cultured in RPMI 1640 supplemented with 10% FBS, 100 U/mL penicillin and 100 mg/mL streptomycin at 37 °C in humidified air containing 5% CO₂. The cells were seeded in 96-well plates at a density of 2000 cells/well and cultured overnight. Then the cells were treated with tested compounds at 10 μM for 72 hr and the sulforhodamine B (SRB) assay was used to measure the cell mass. Briefly, the cells were fixed with 10% trichloroacetic acid for 1 hr at 4°C. After washed with deionized water and air-dried, the cells were stained with 0.1% SRB dissolved in 1% acetic acid for 30 minutes and subsequently washed four times with 1% acetic acid to remove unbound dye. The plates were left to dry at room temperature and 100 μl of 10 mM TRIS base was added to solubilize the protein-bound SRB. The absorbance at 540 nm was measured with a microplate reader (SpectraMax M2, Molecular Devices). Cytotoxicity was determined by inhibition of cellular growth with the following formula: inhibitory rate (%) = $(A_{540} \text{ of vehicle control} - A_{540} \text{ of treated cells}) / (A_{540} \text{ of vehicle control} - A_{540} \text{ of blank control}) * 100$.

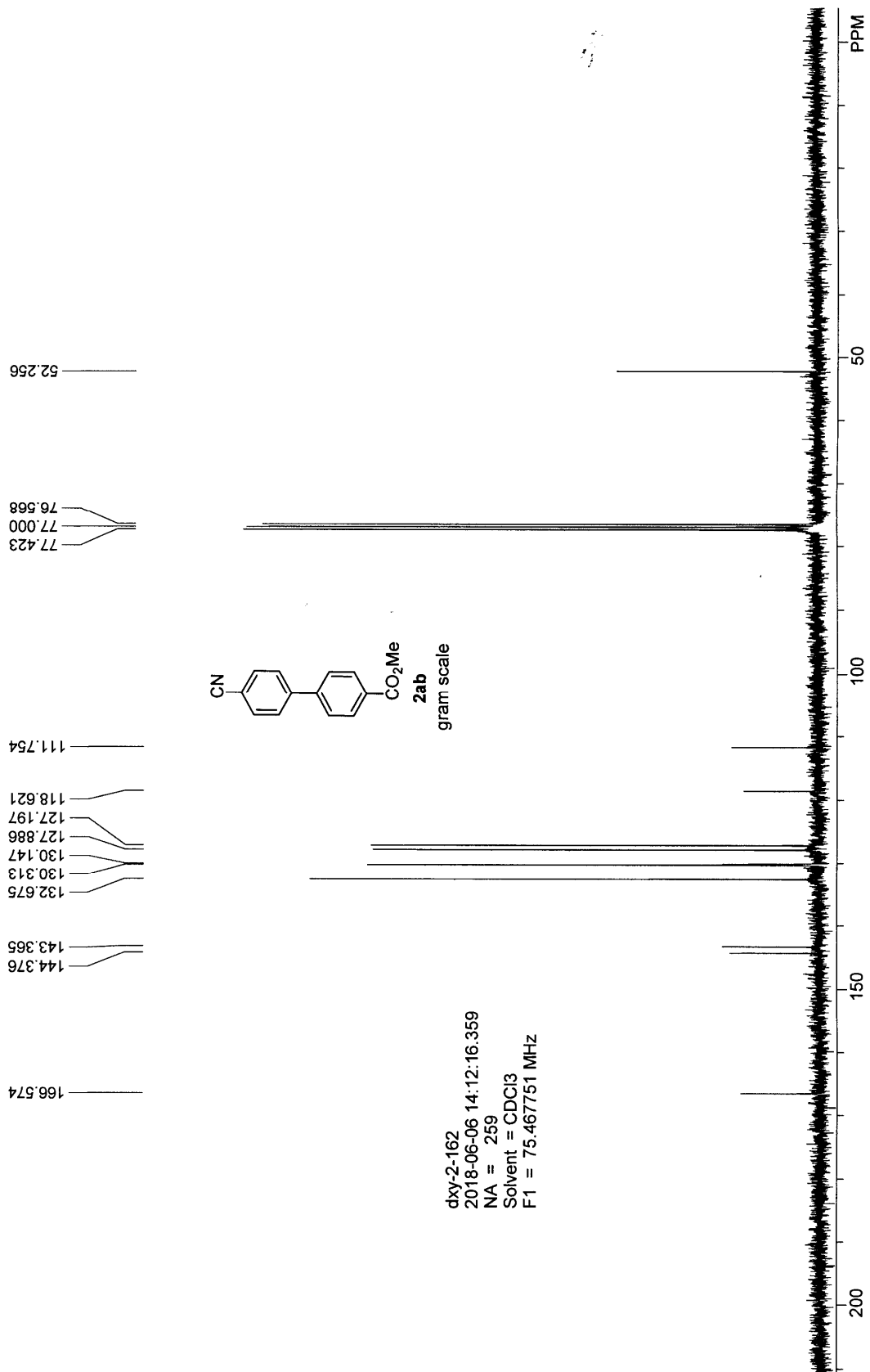
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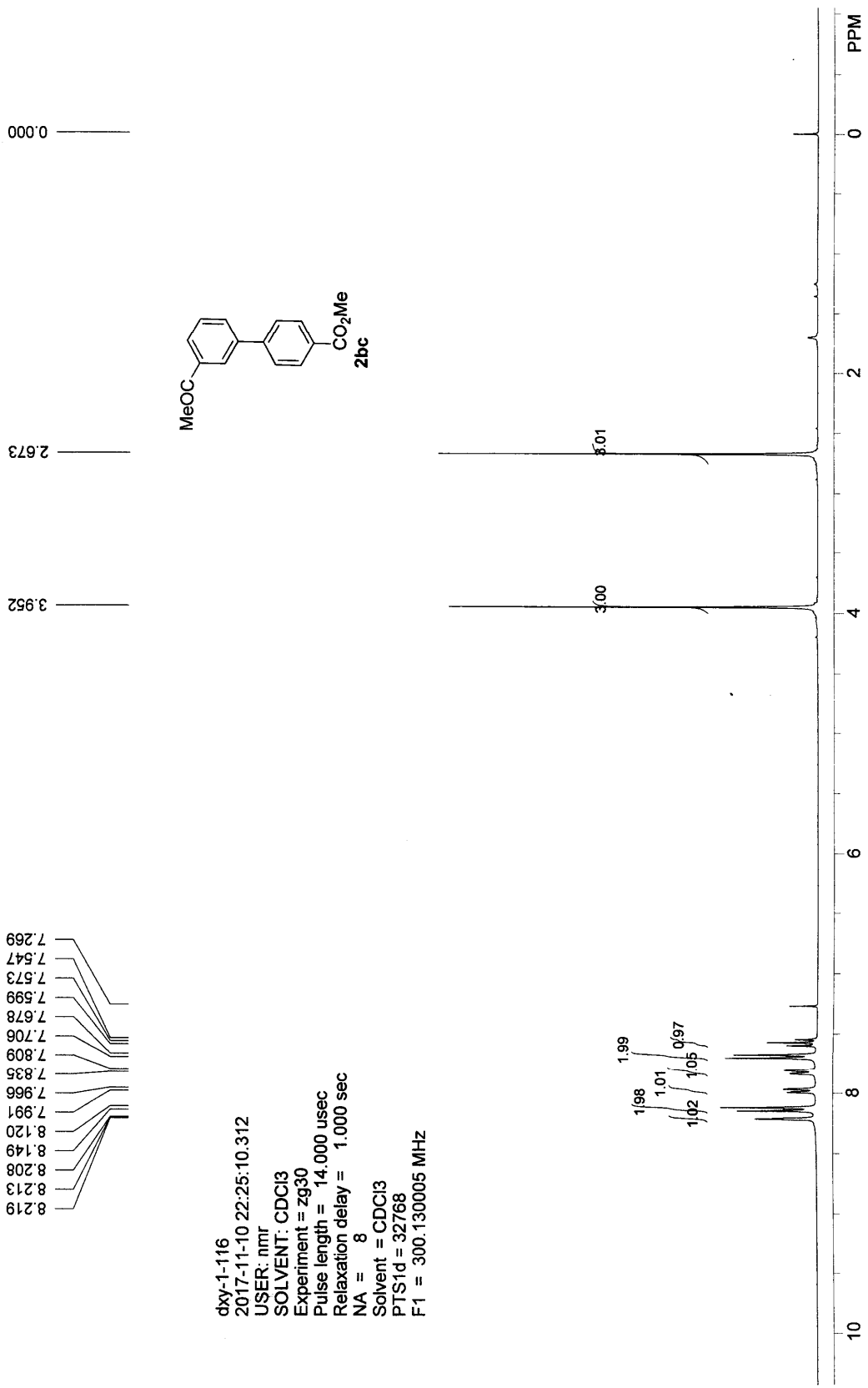
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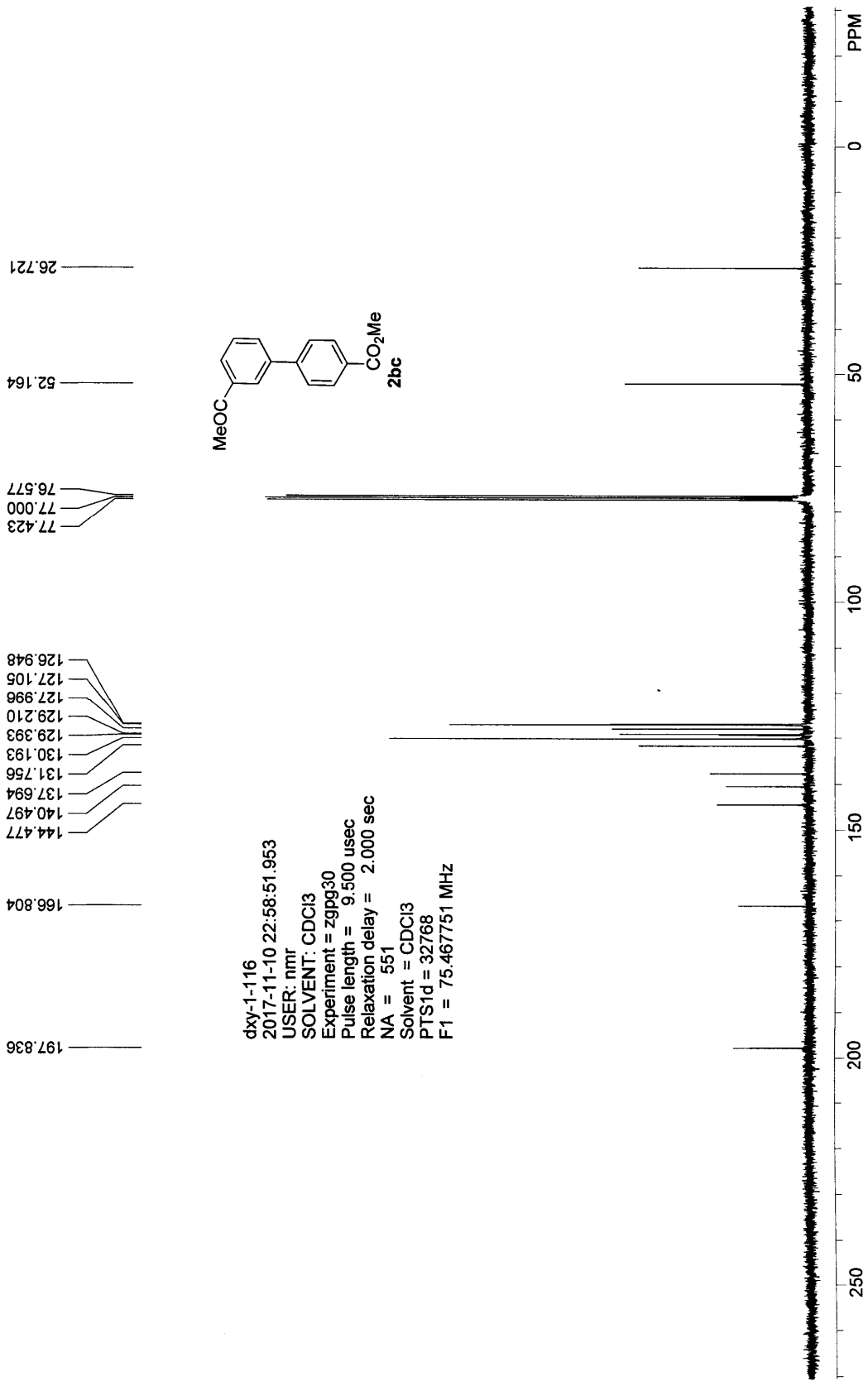






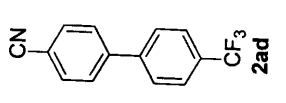


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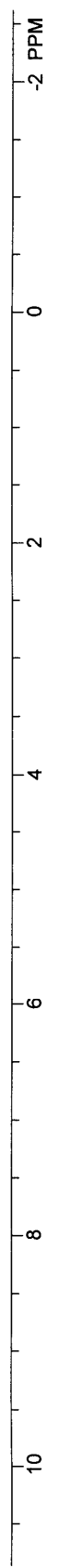
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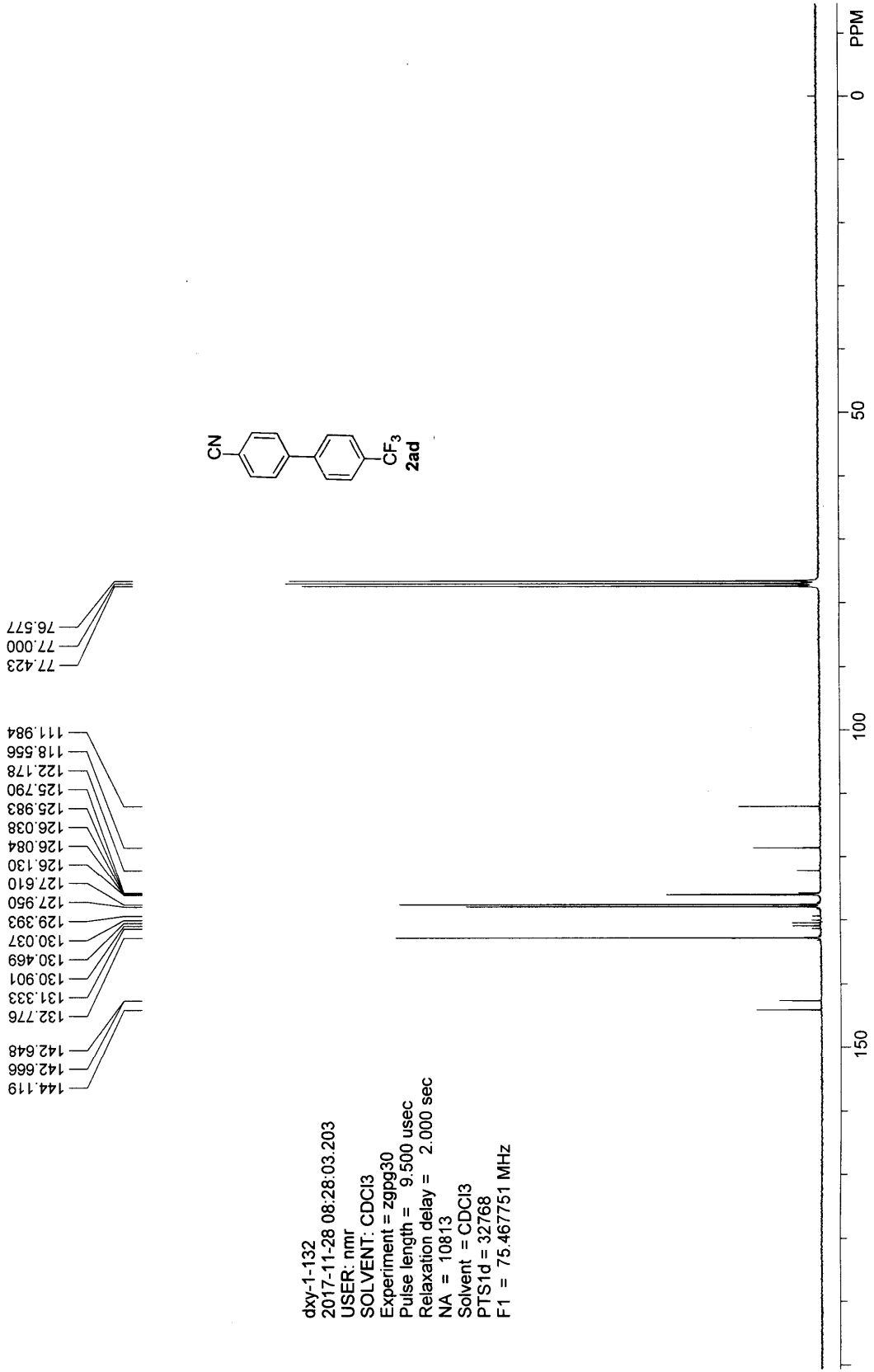
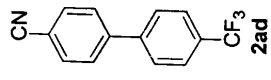


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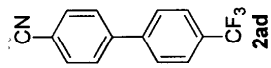
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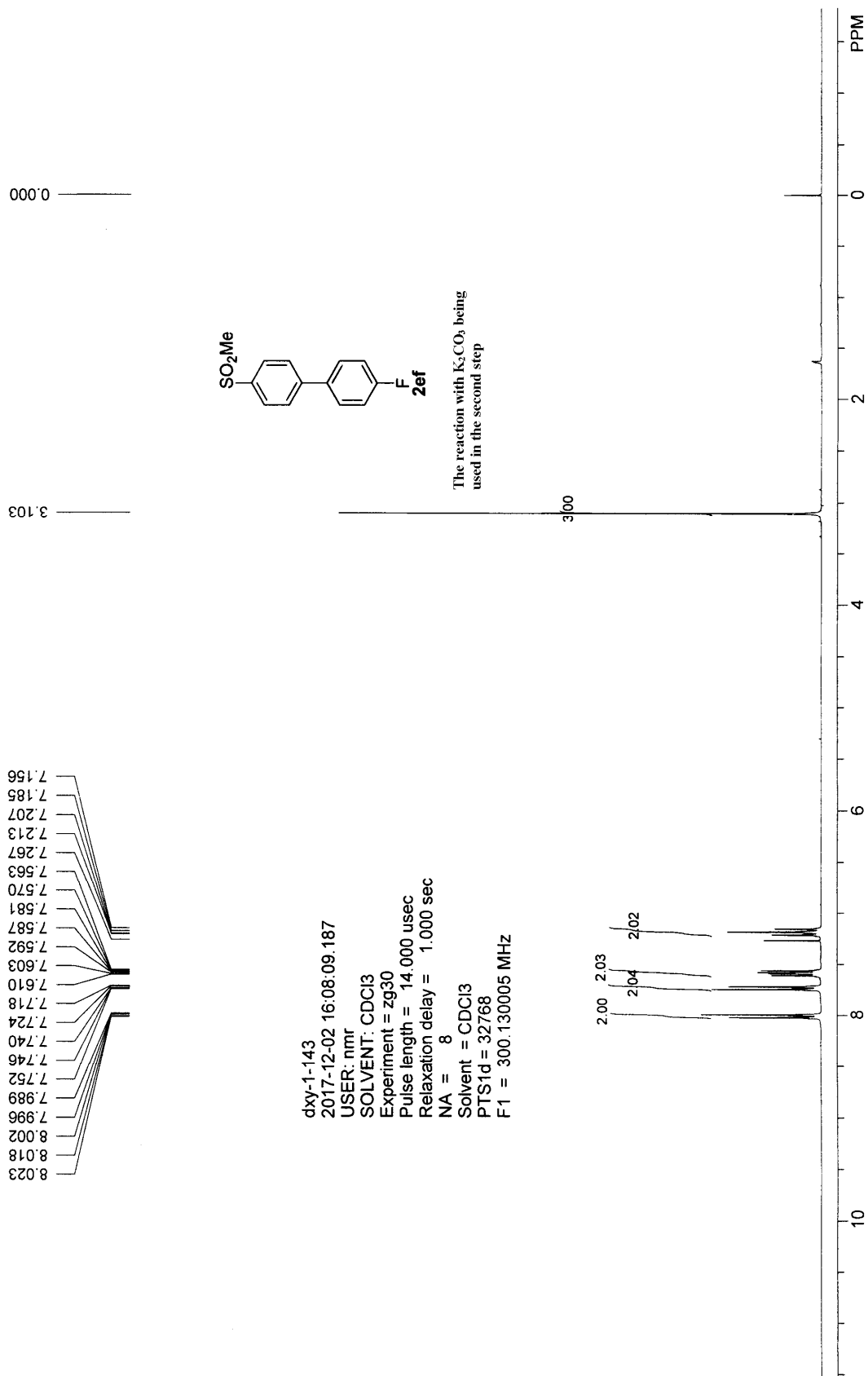
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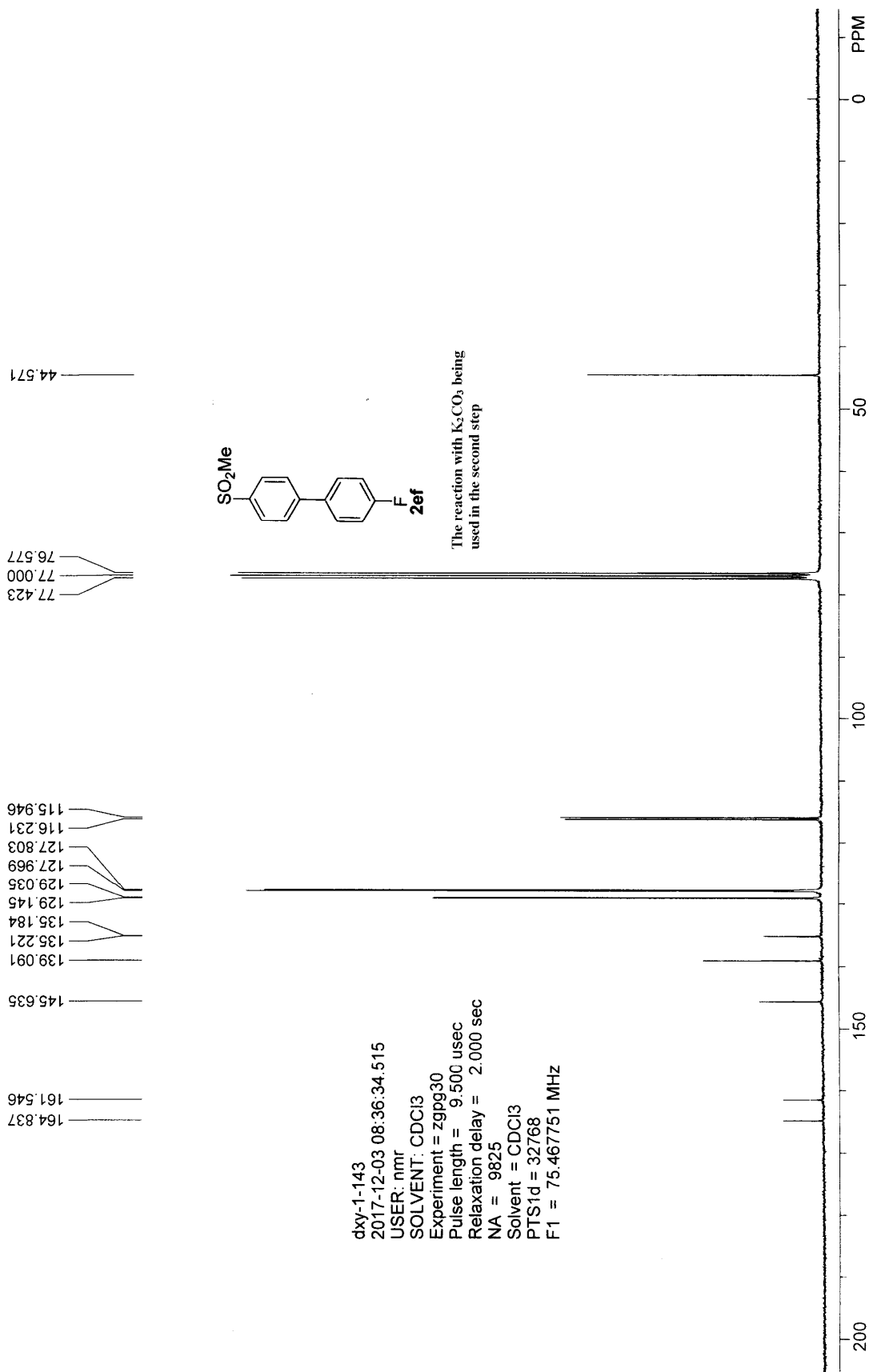
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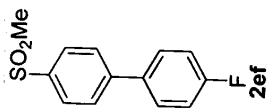


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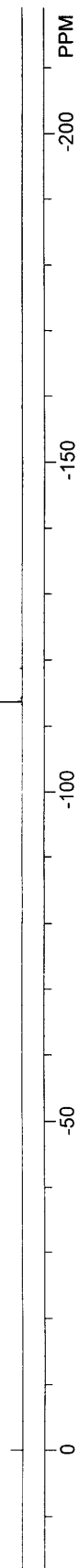
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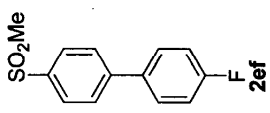


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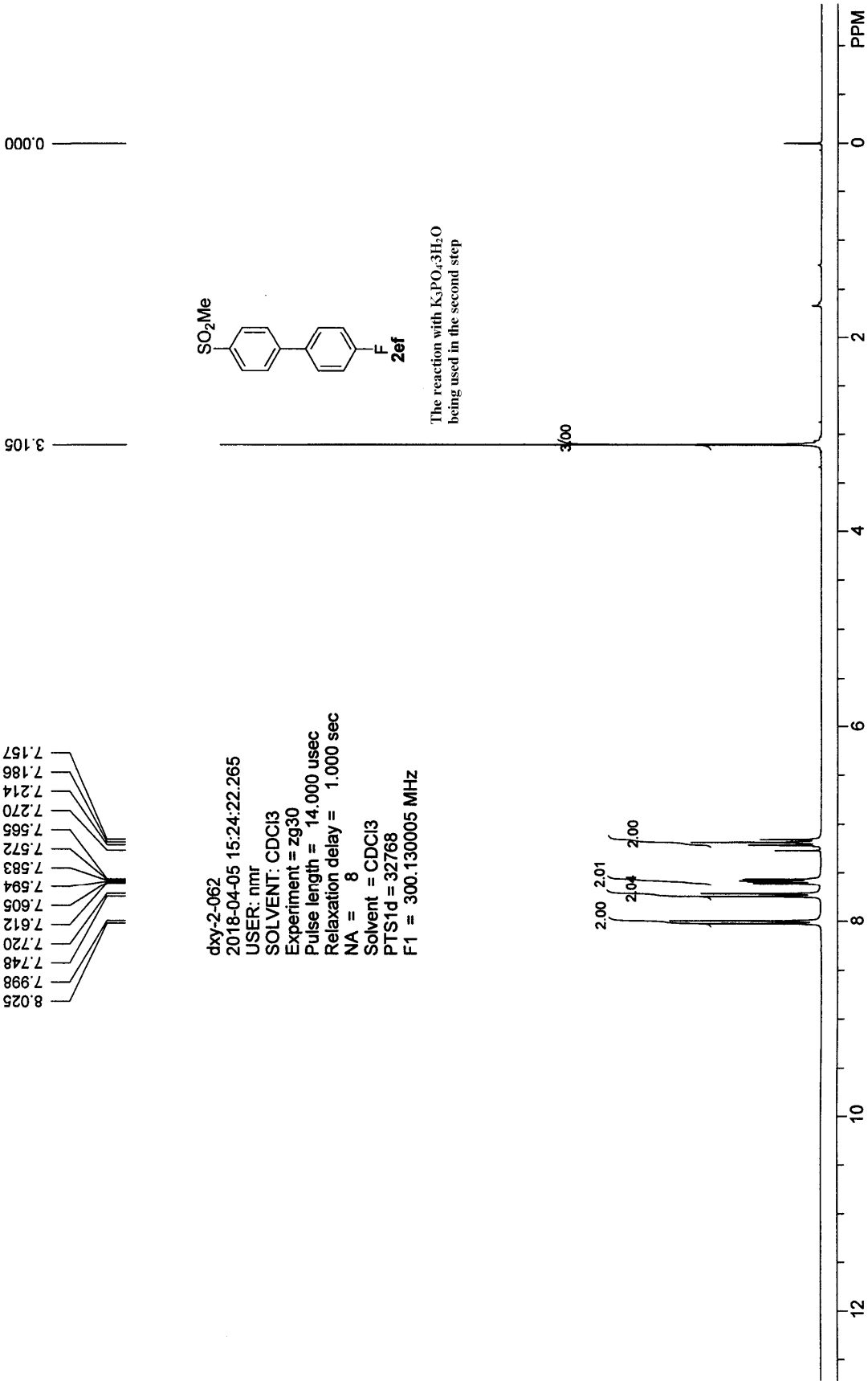


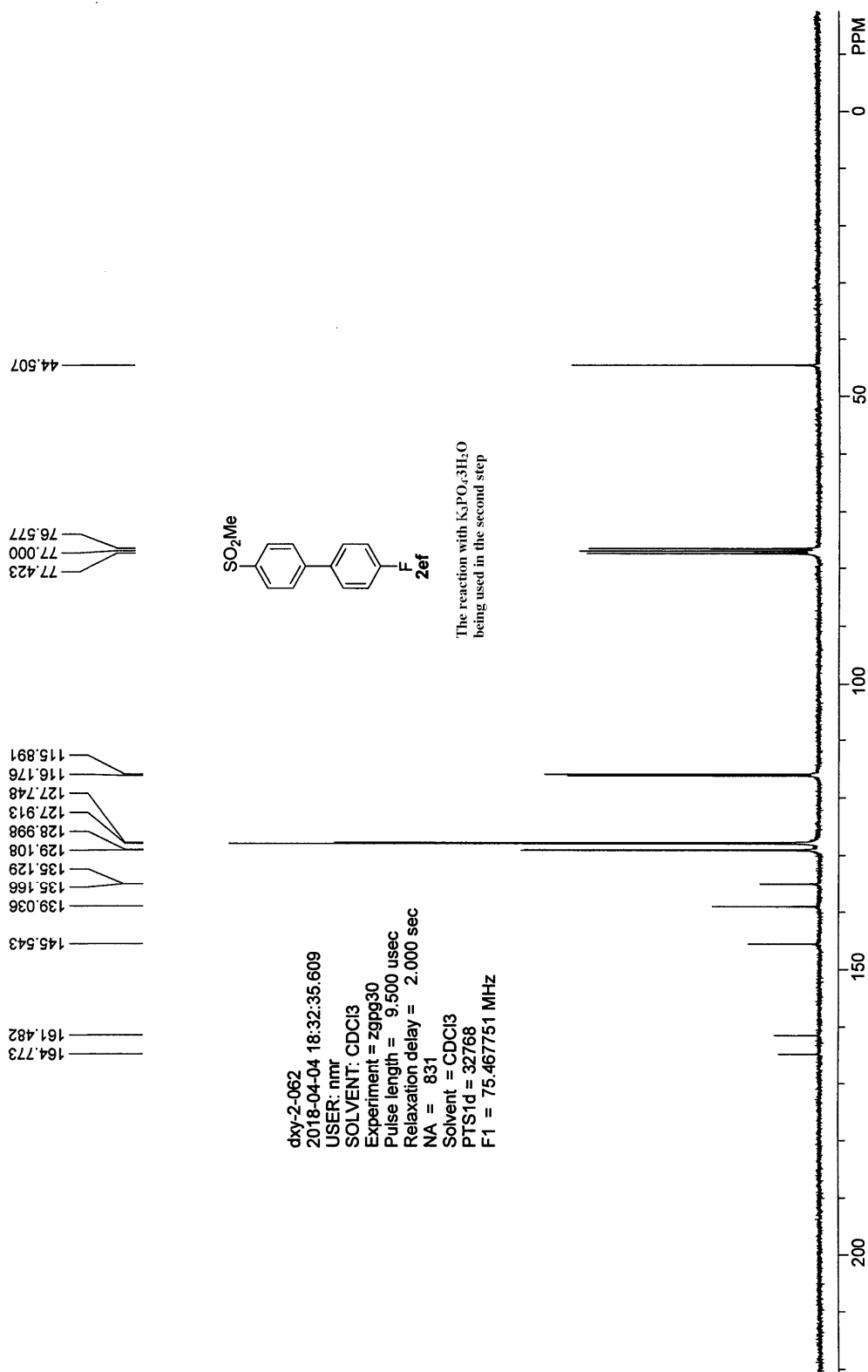
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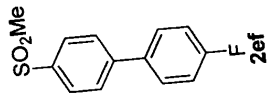


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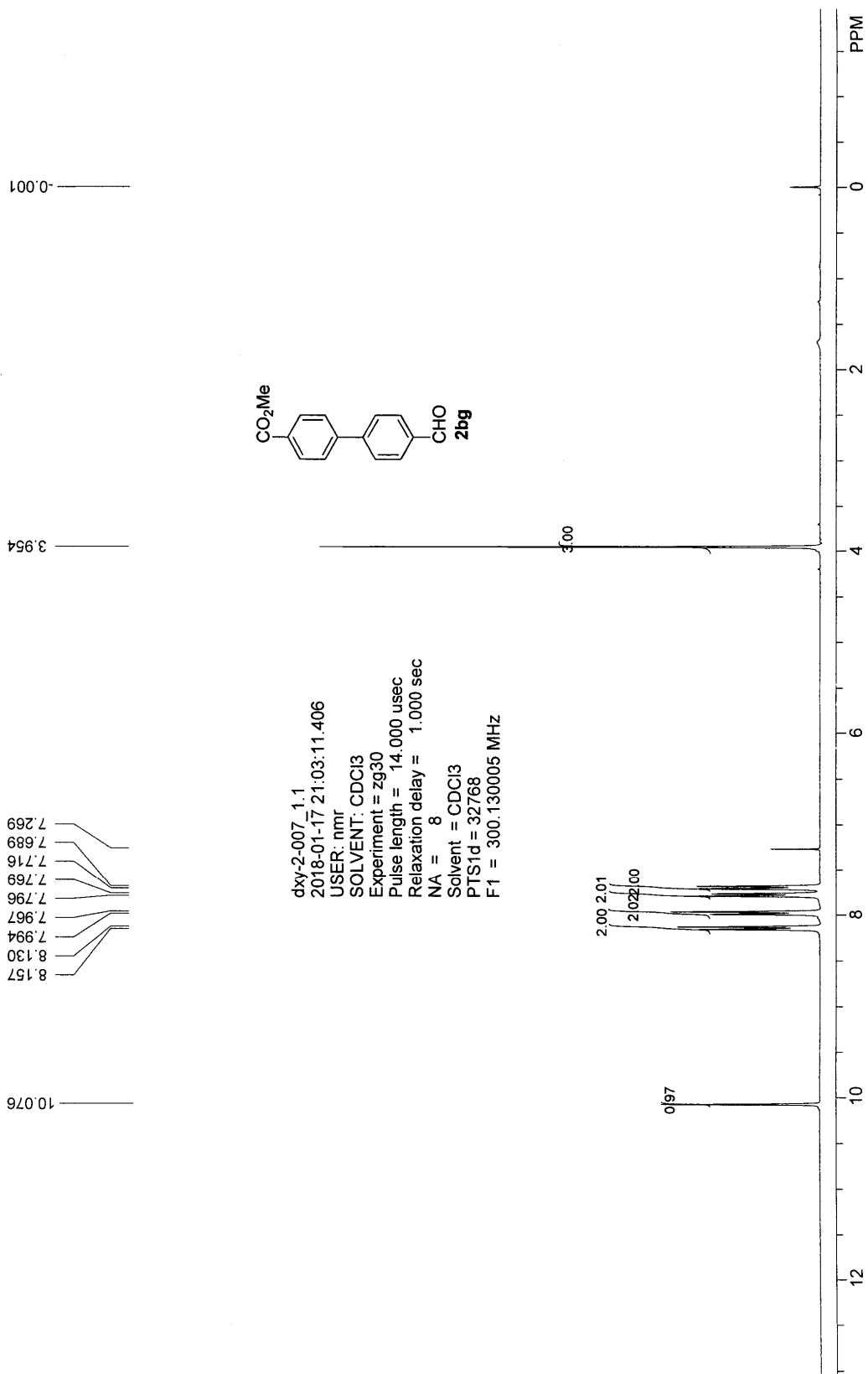
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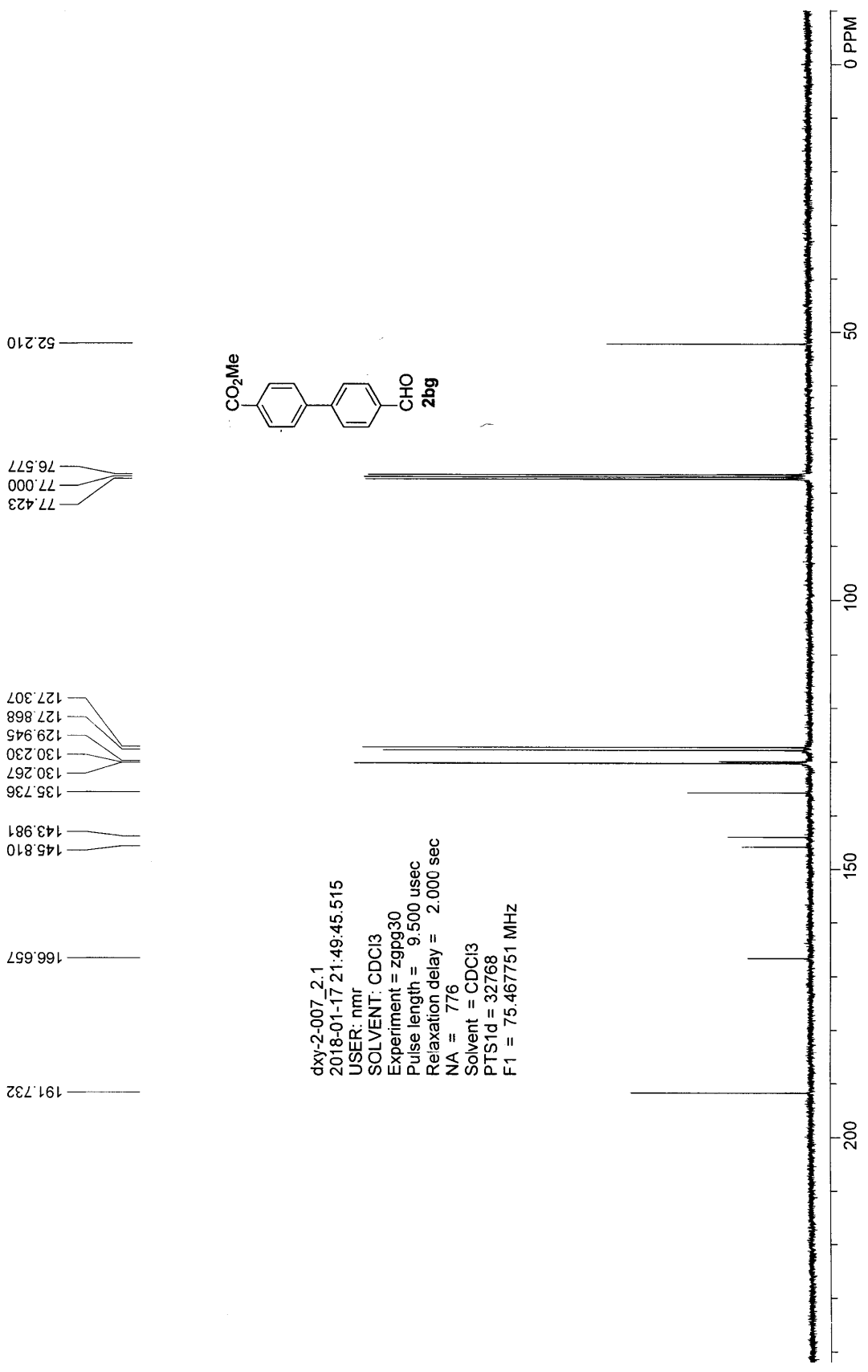
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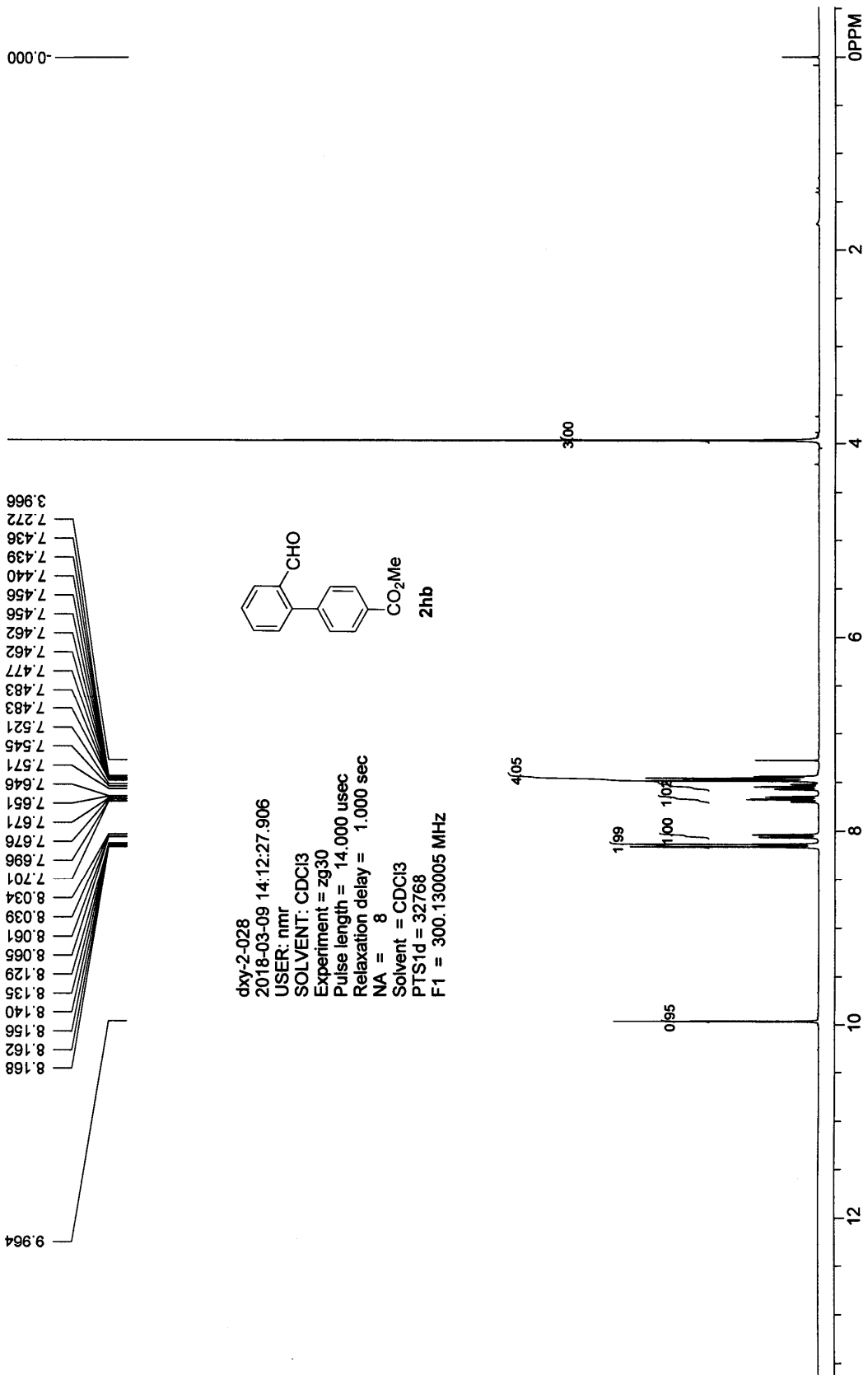
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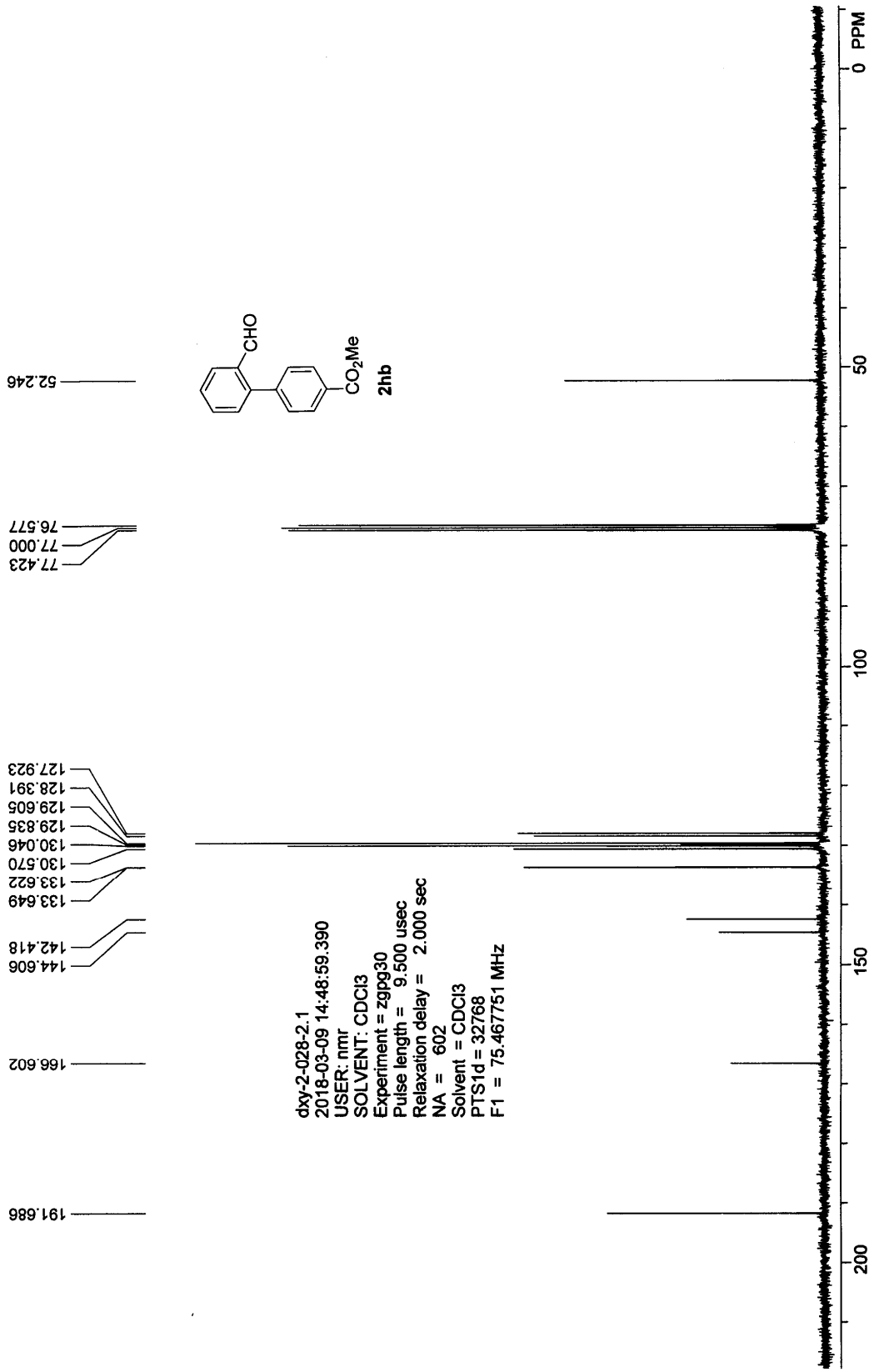
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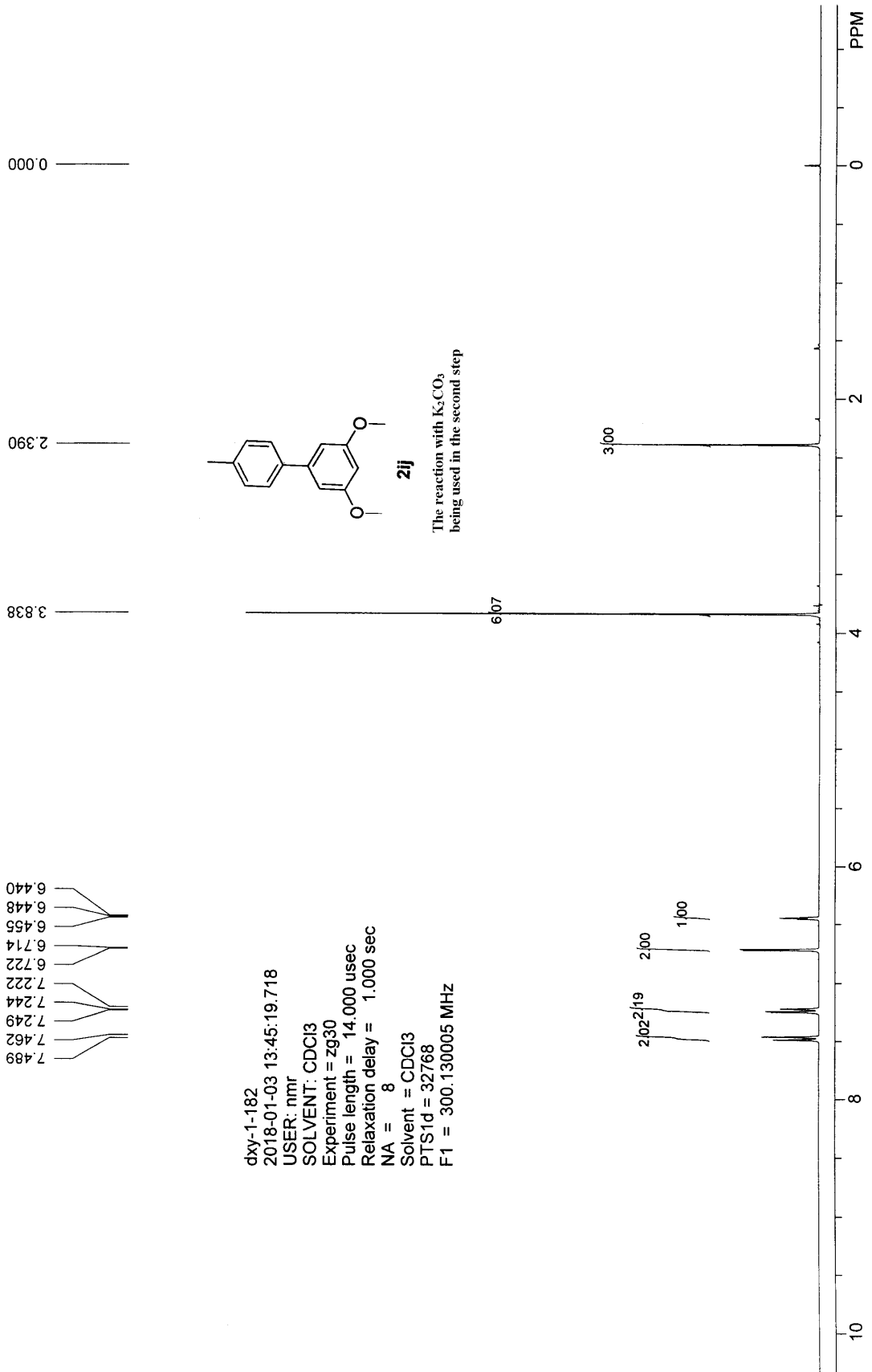


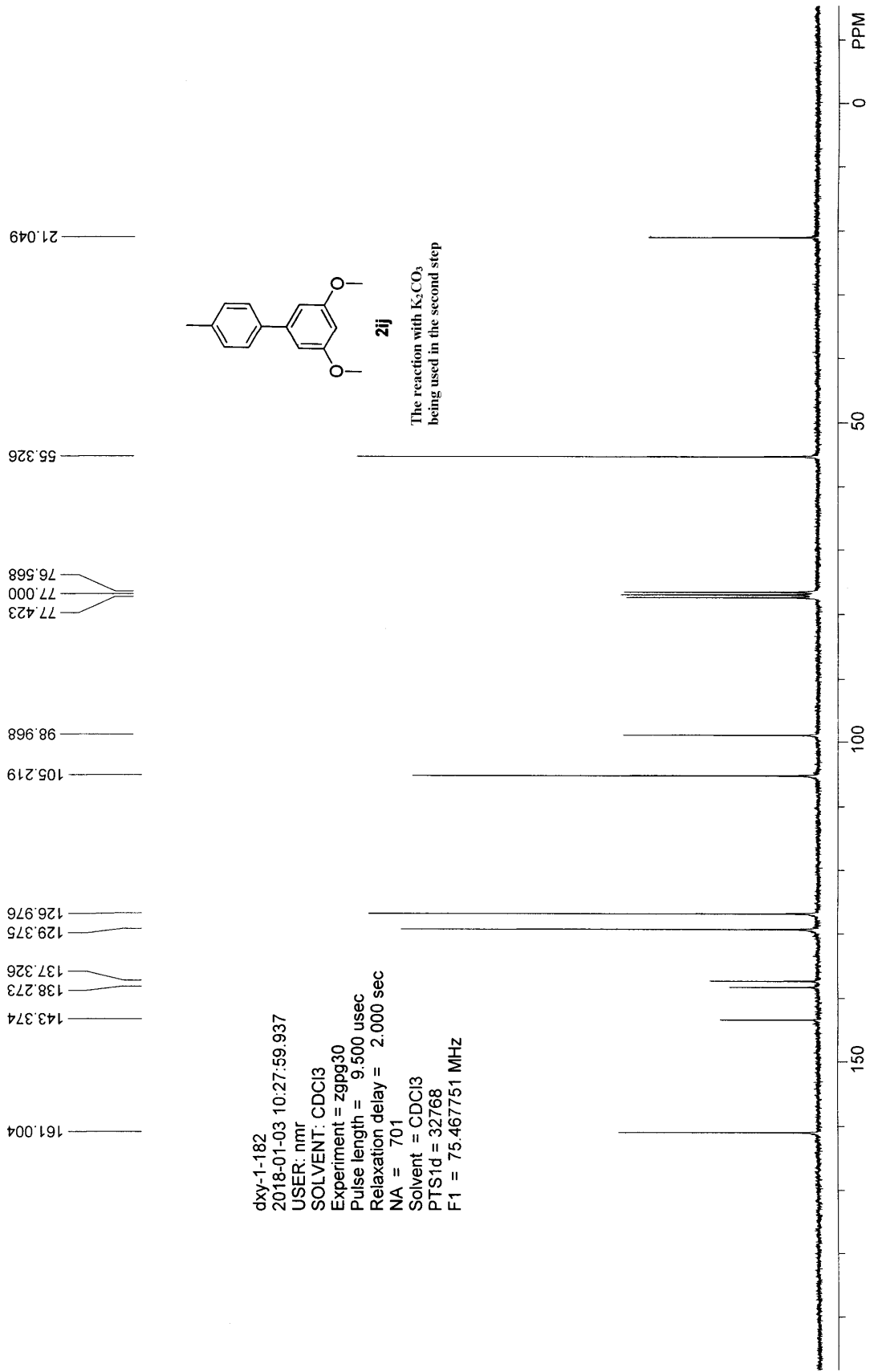


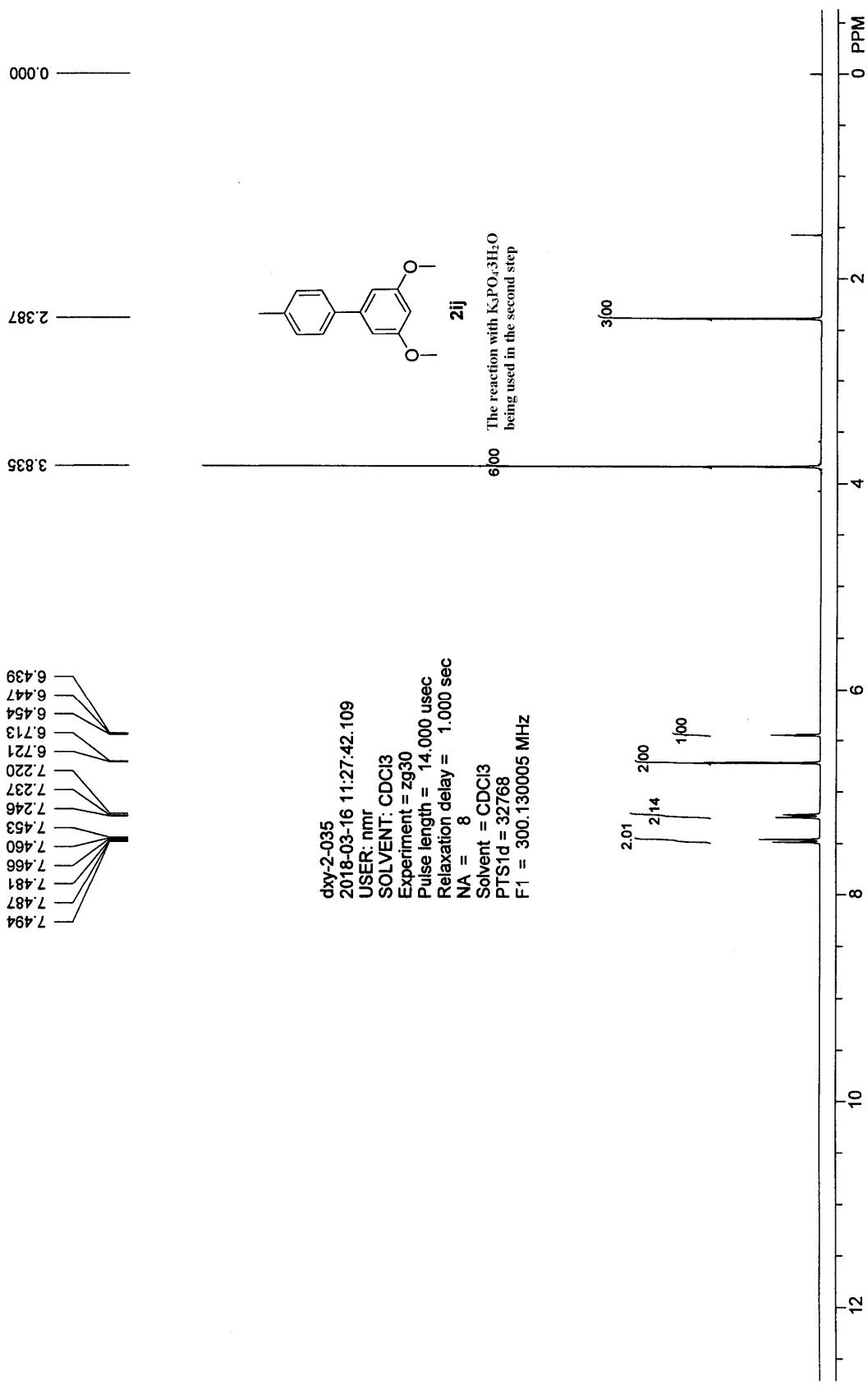
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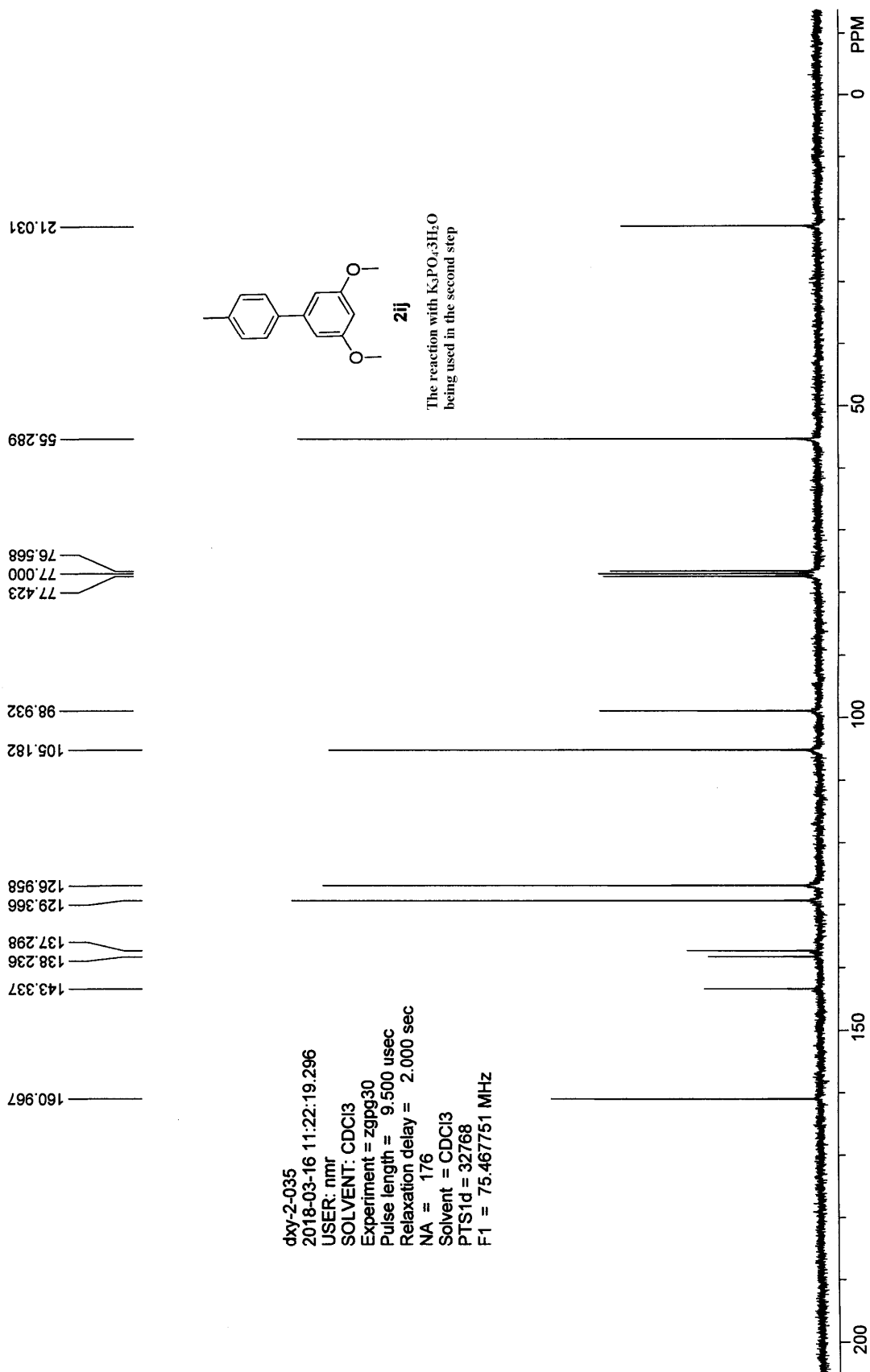


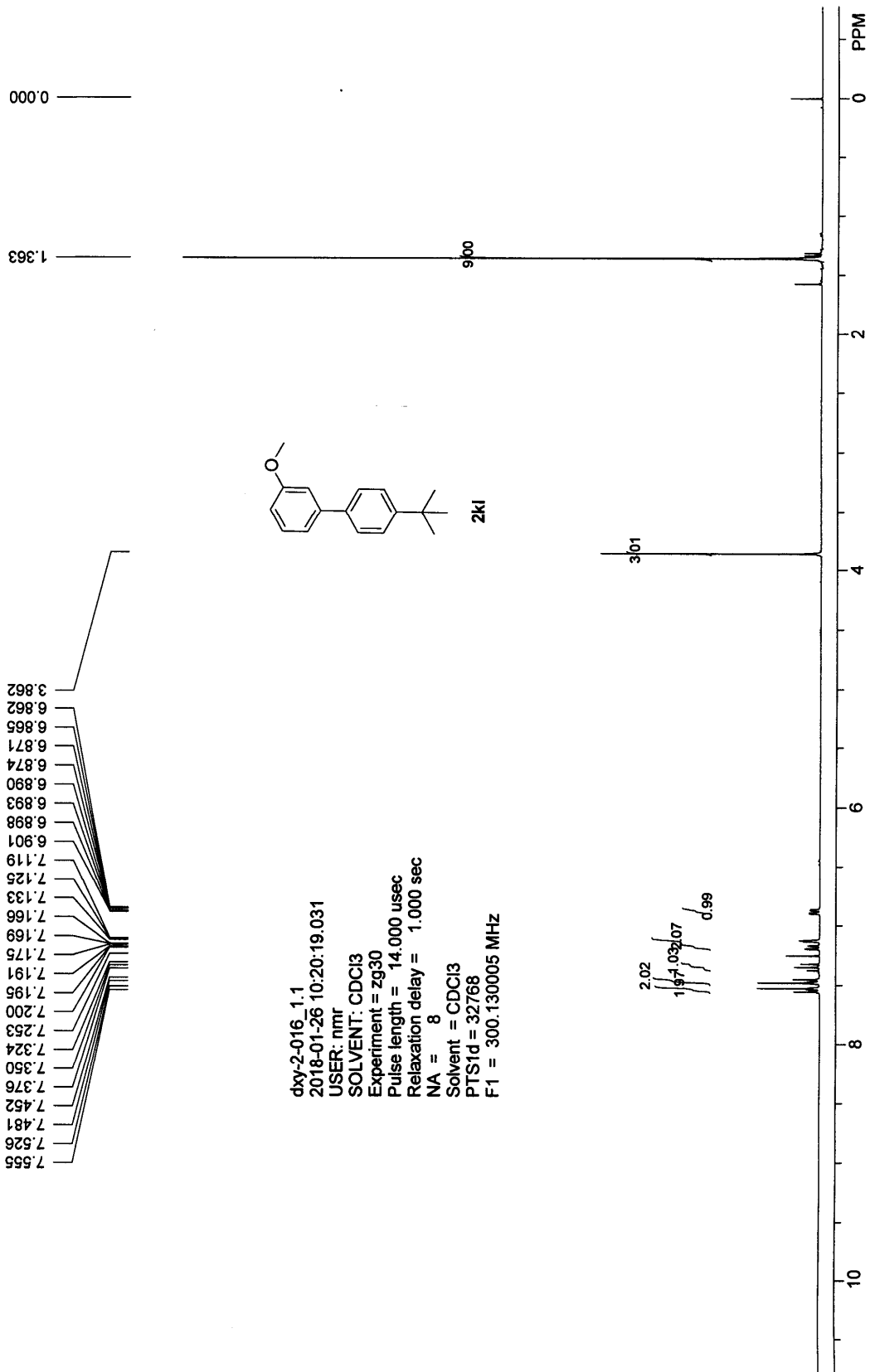


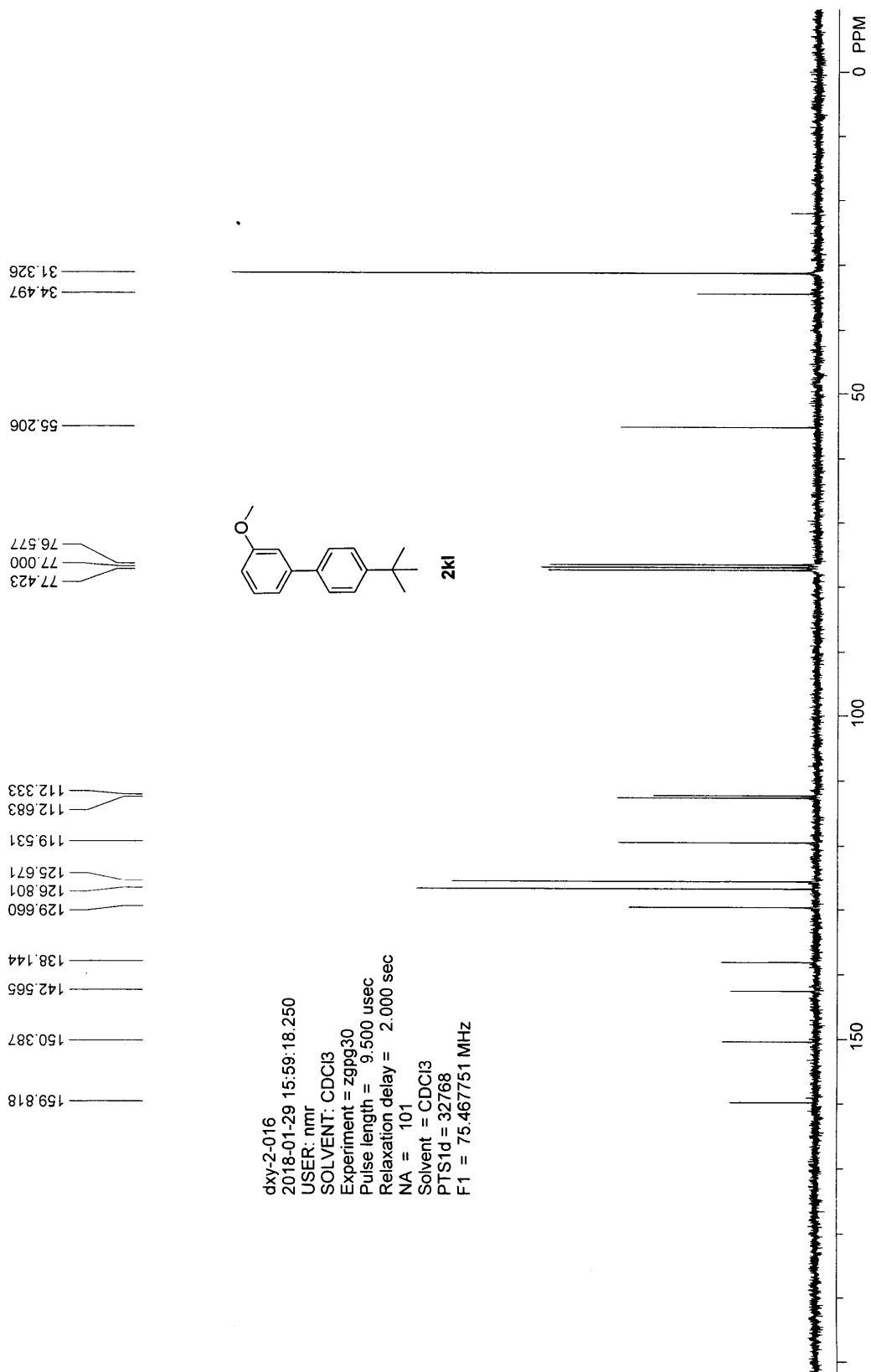


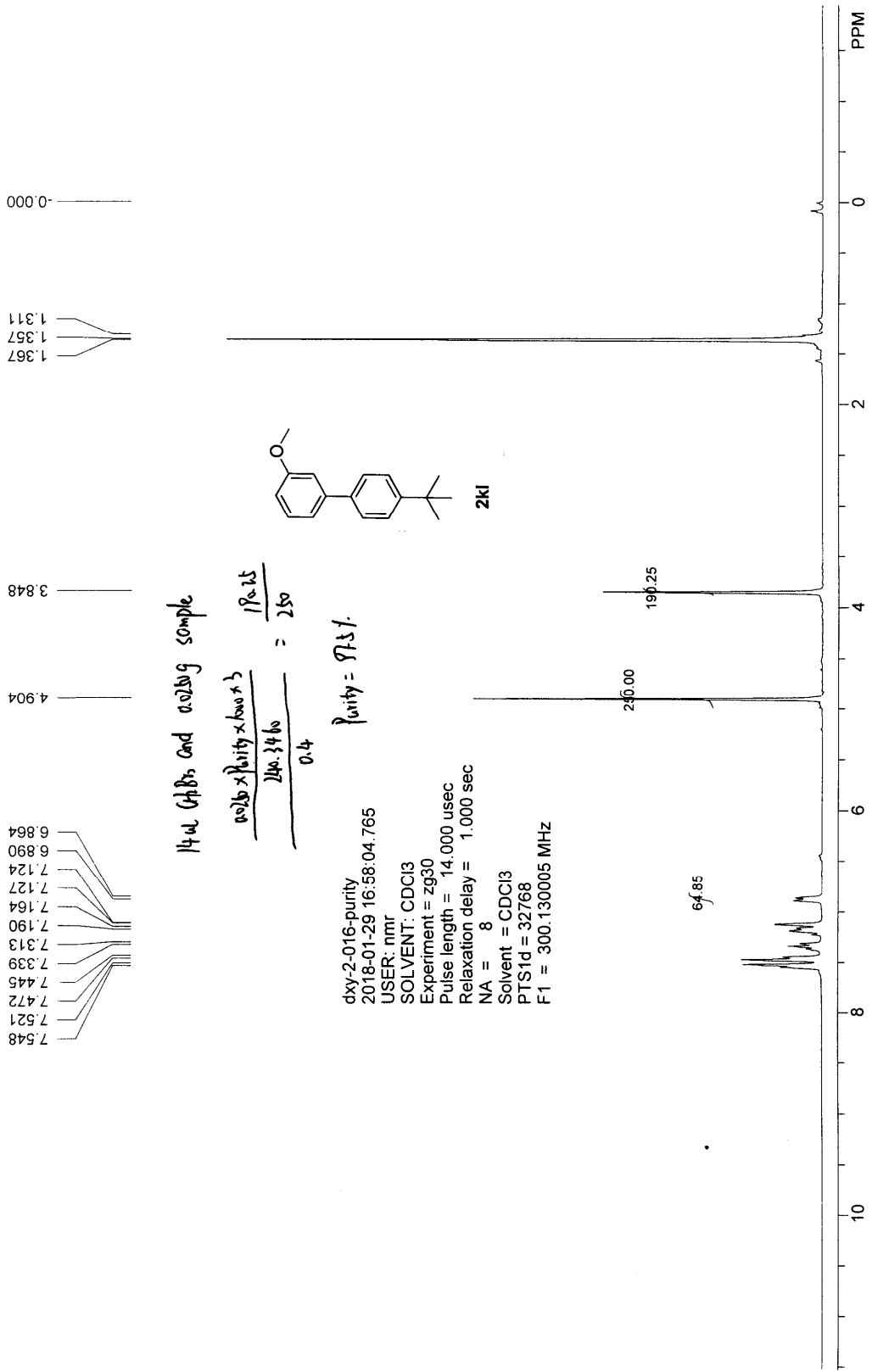












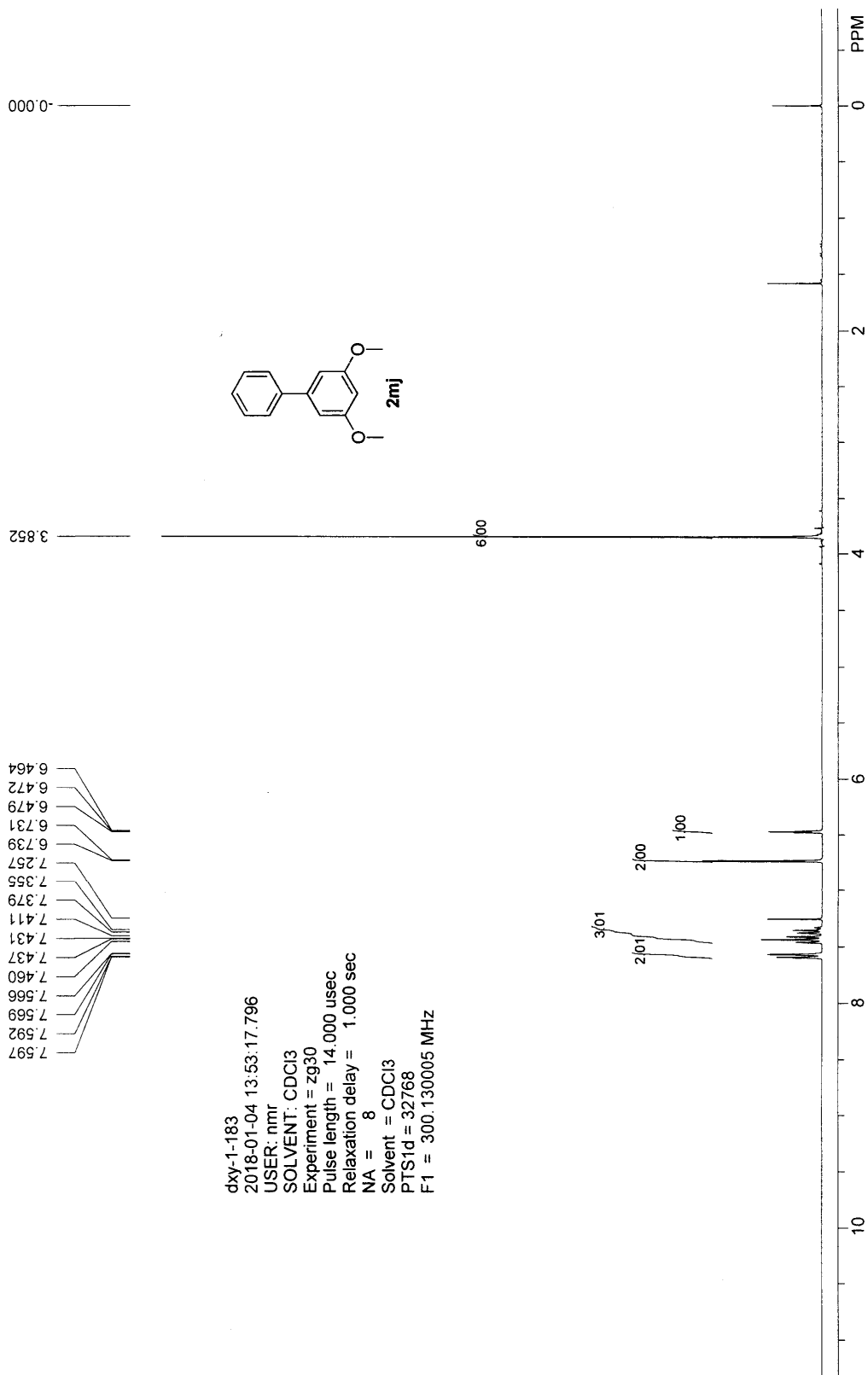
14 μ $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{Br}_3$ and adding sample

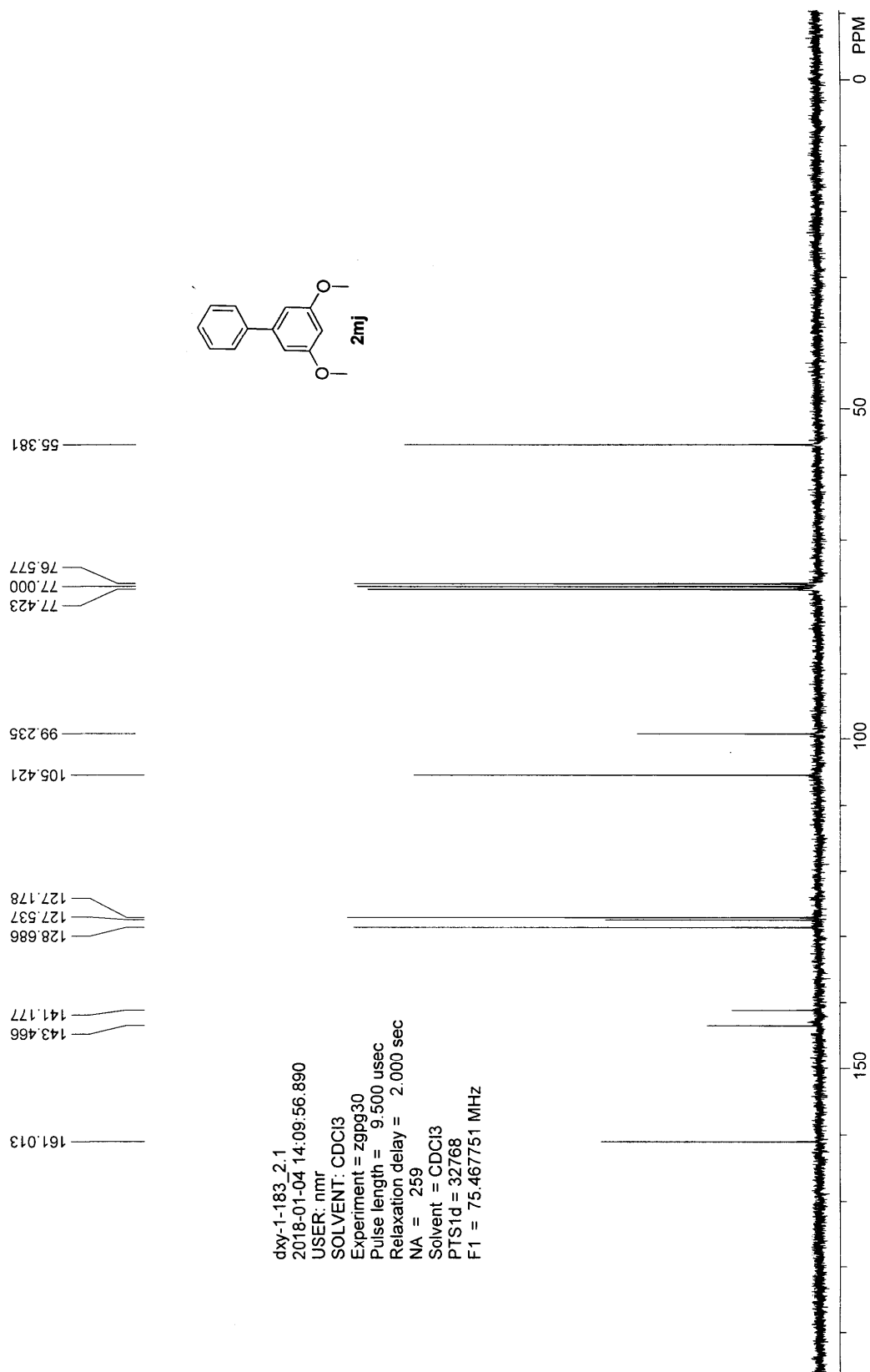
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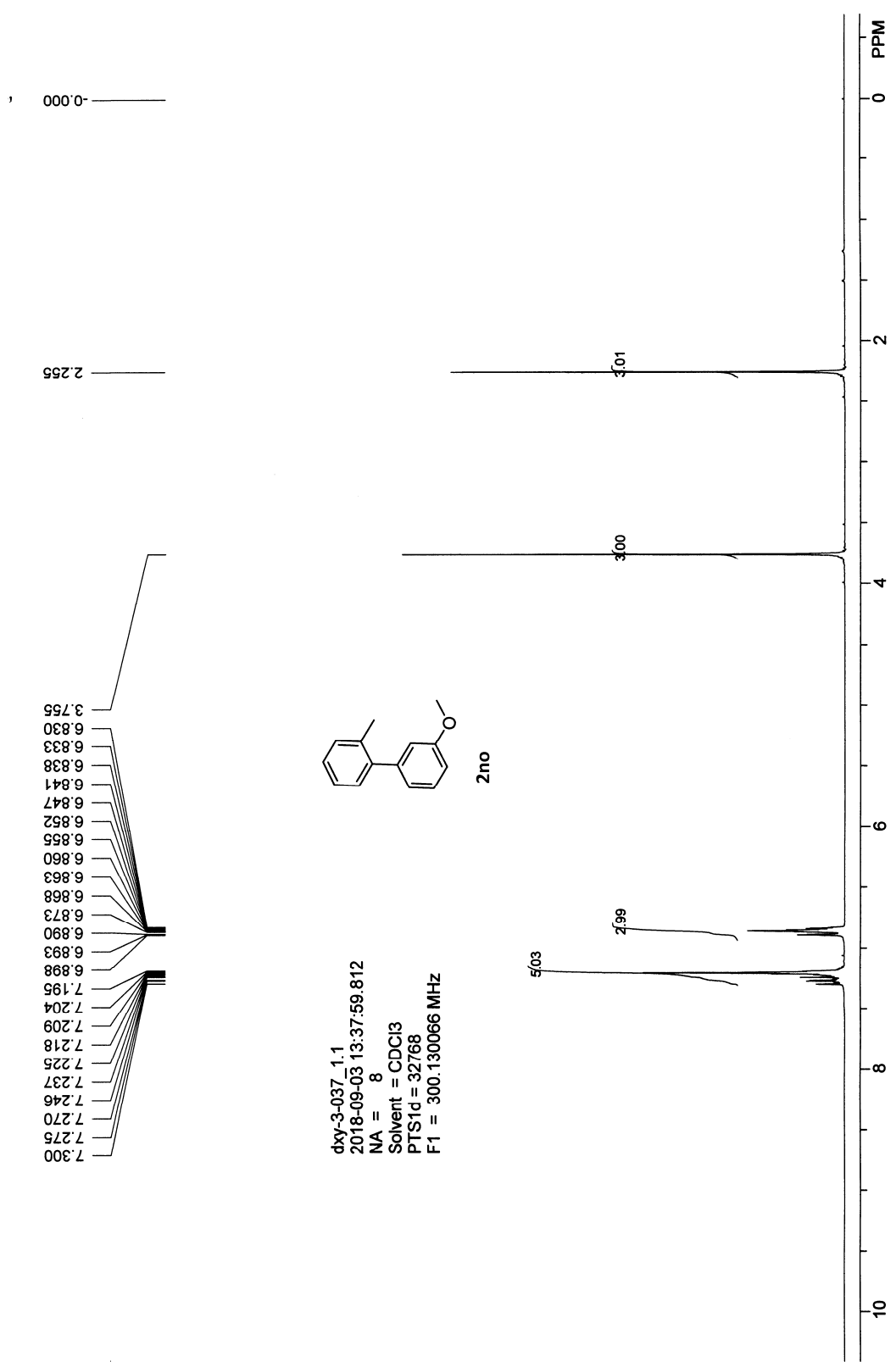
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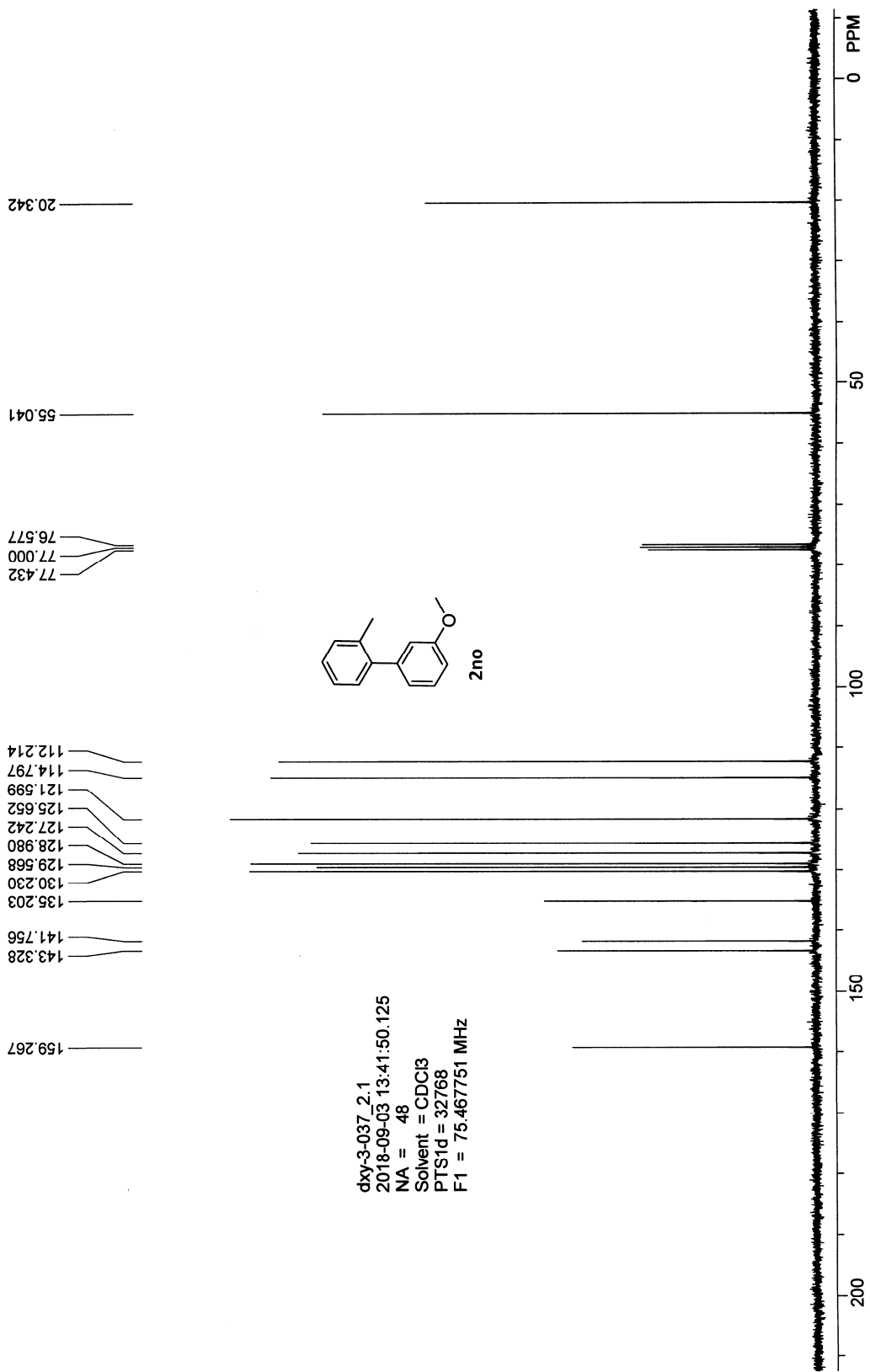
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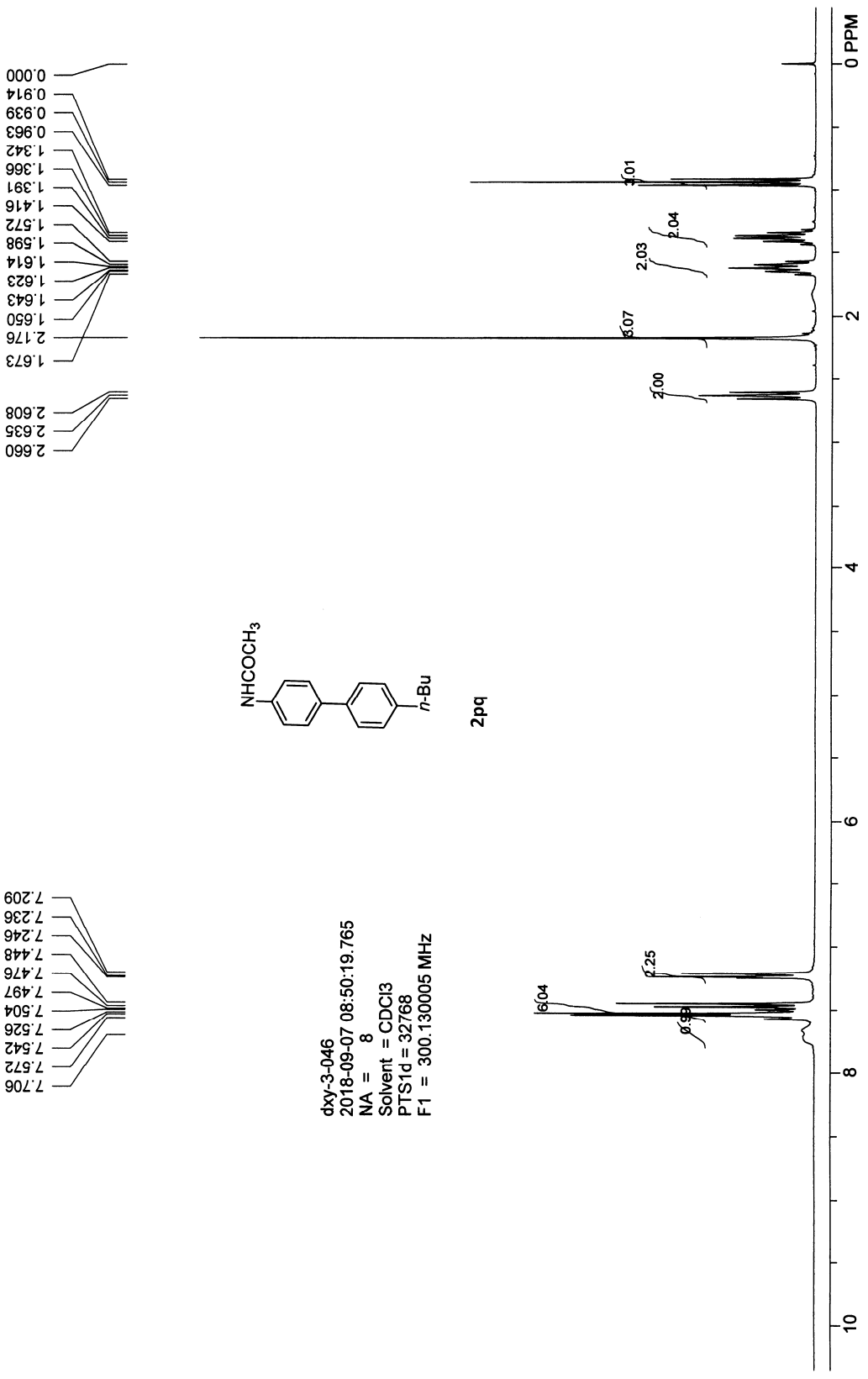


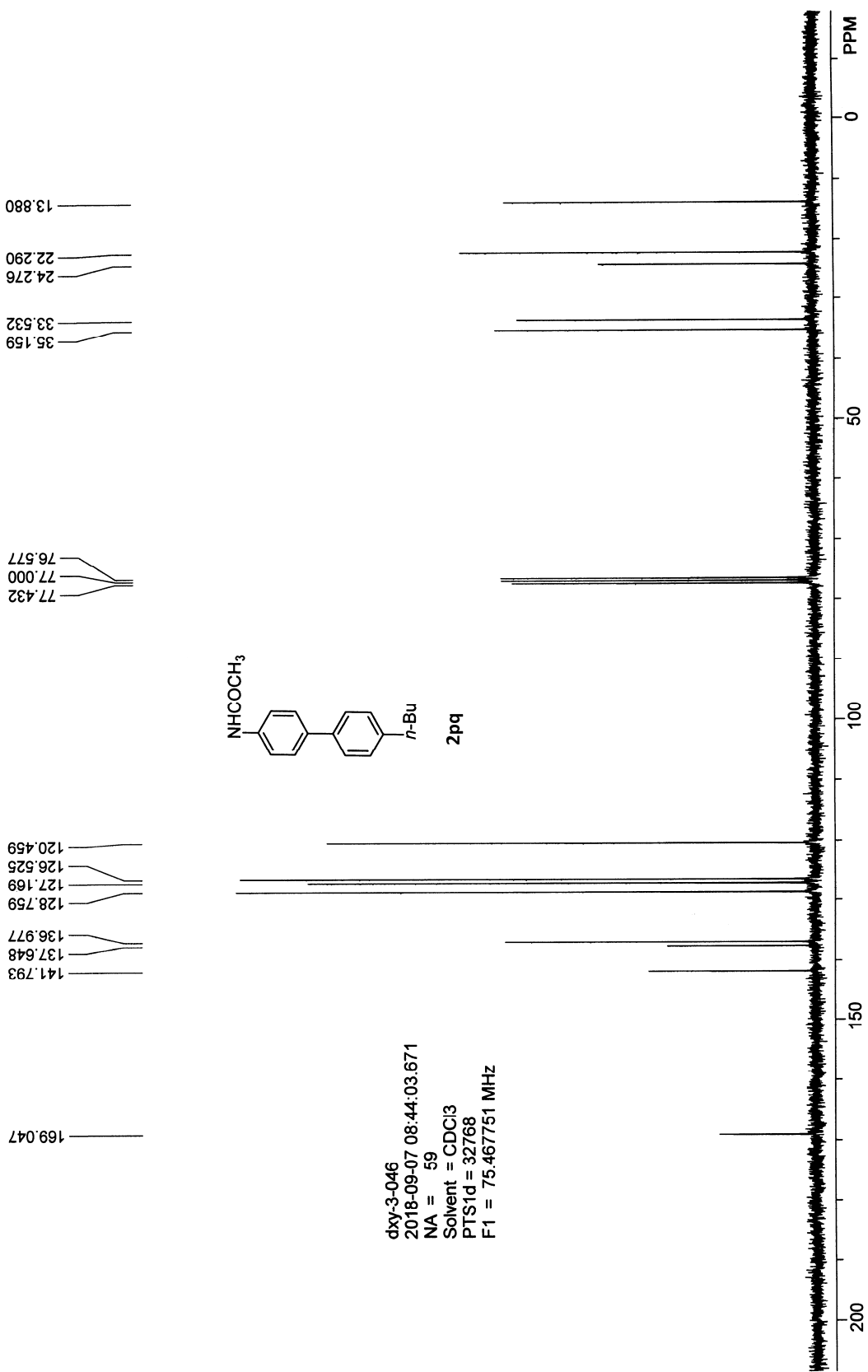
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 F1 = 75.467751 MHz

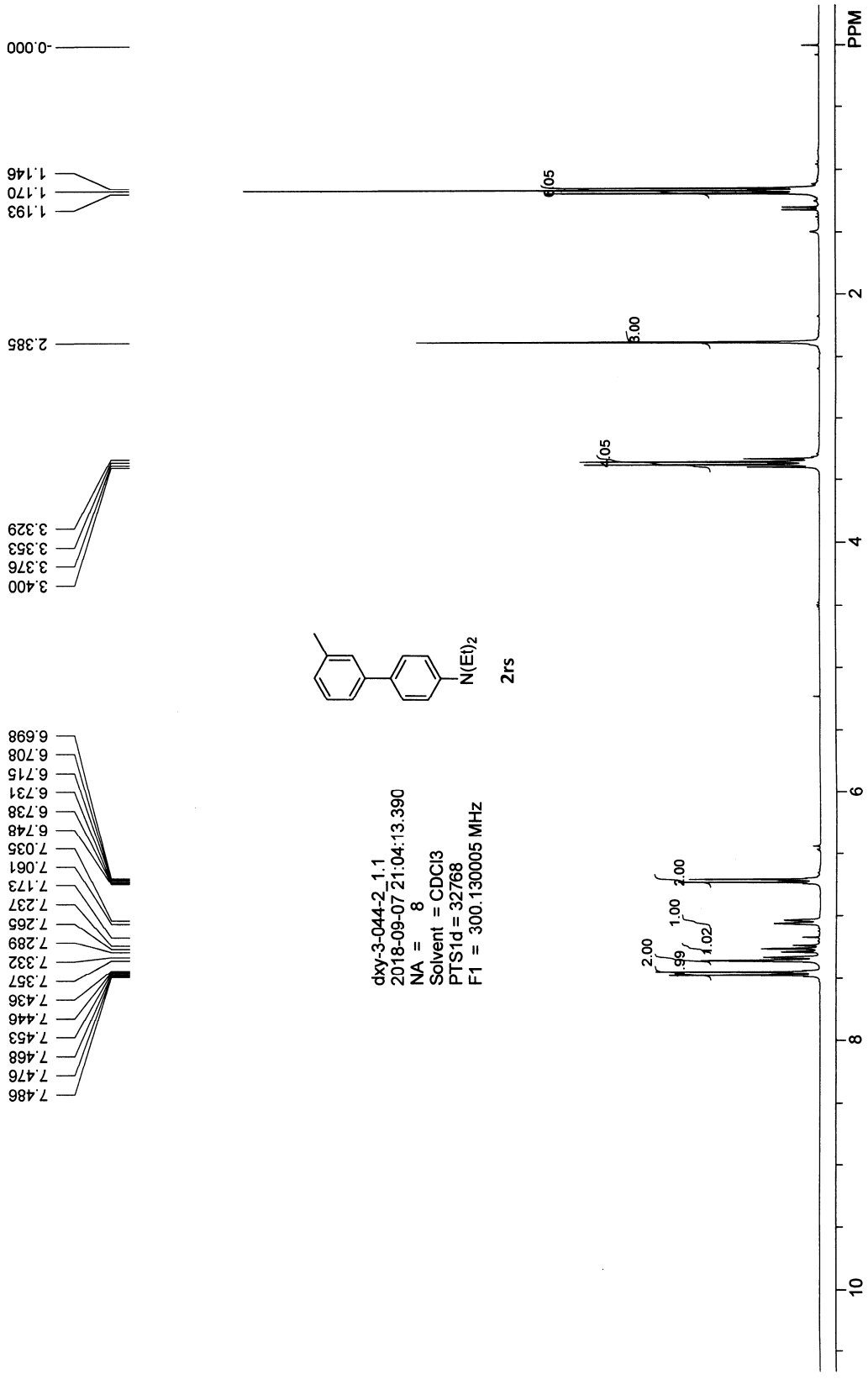


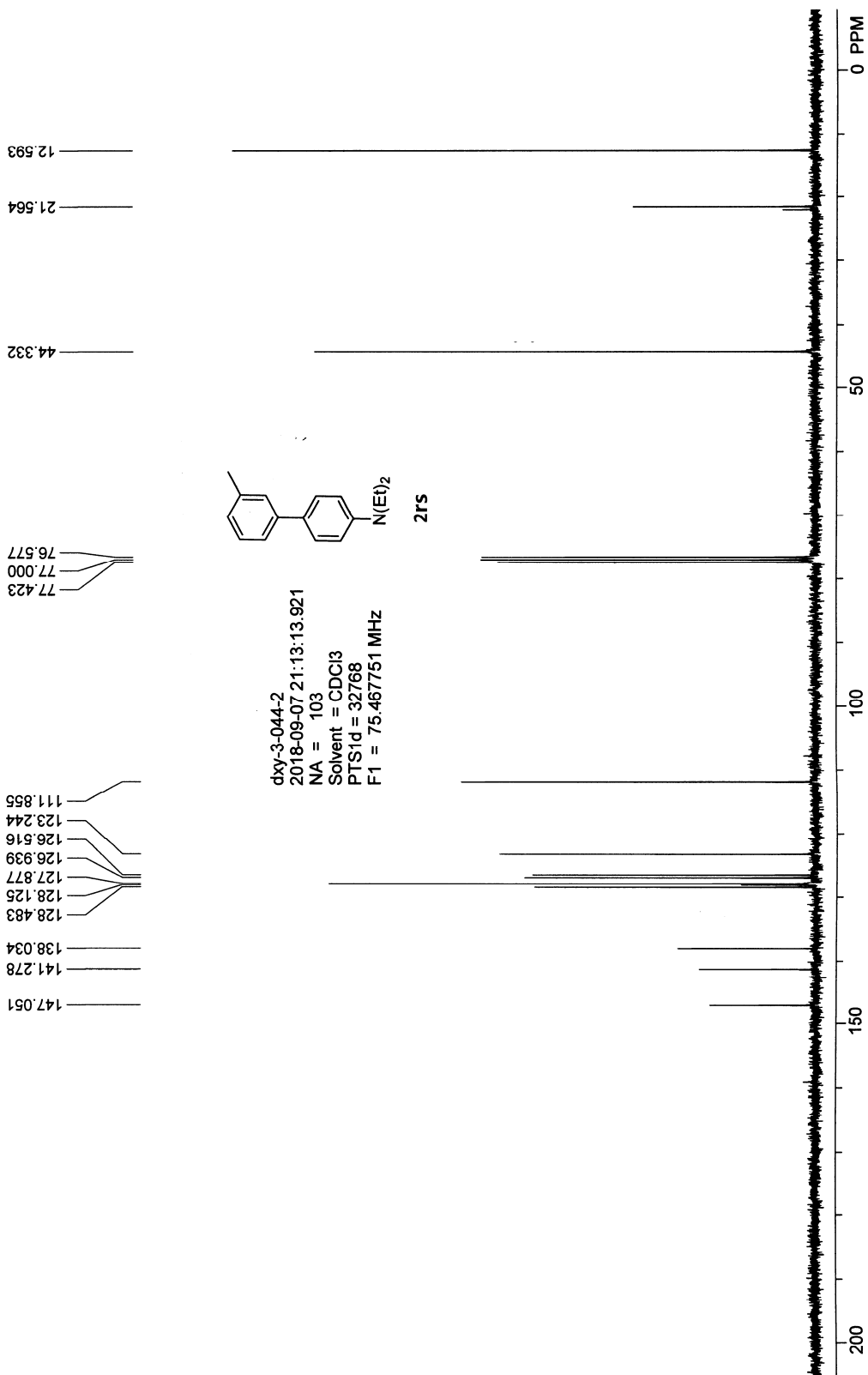


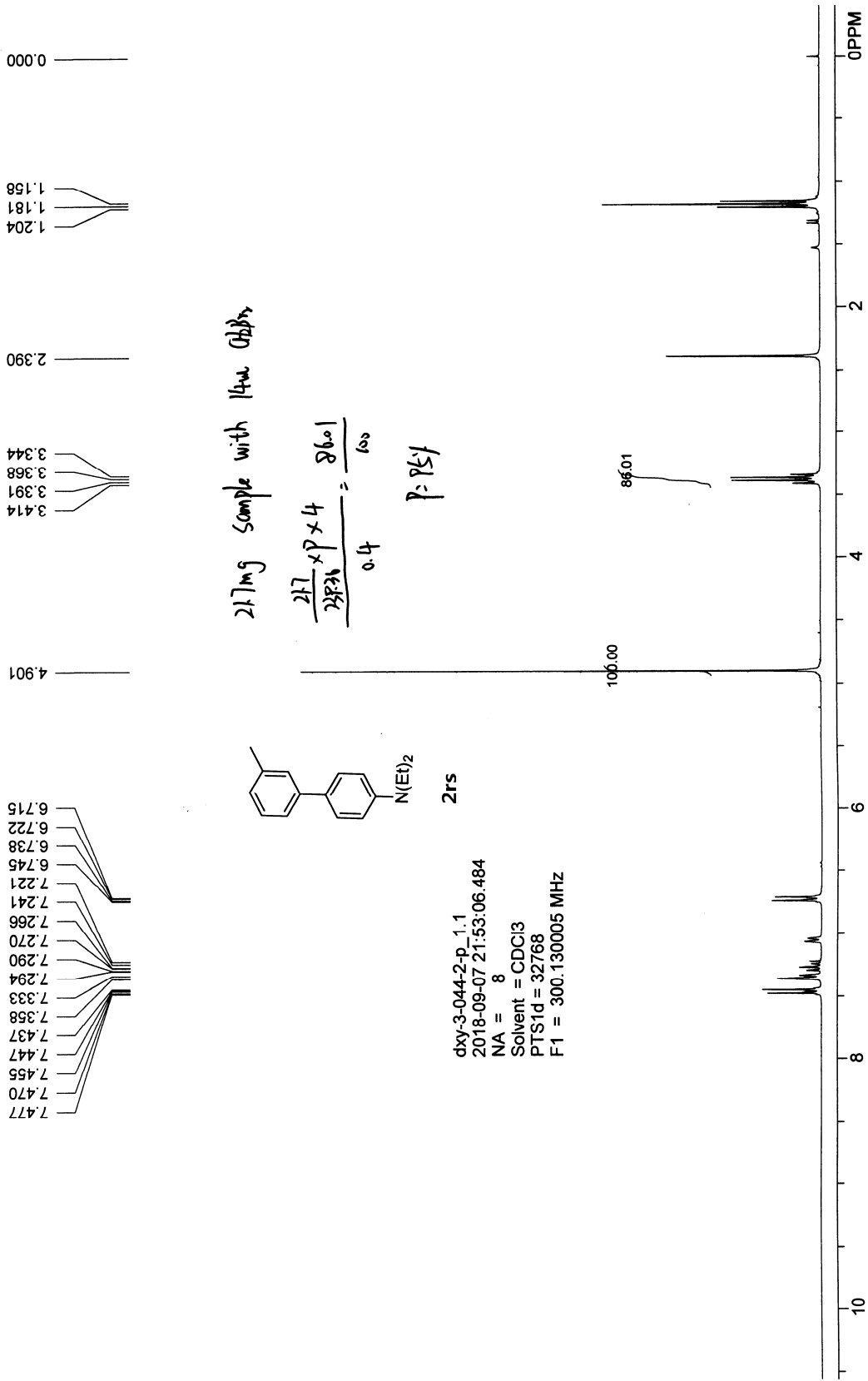
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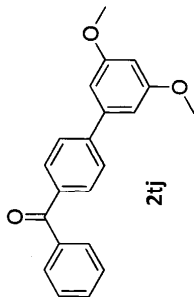




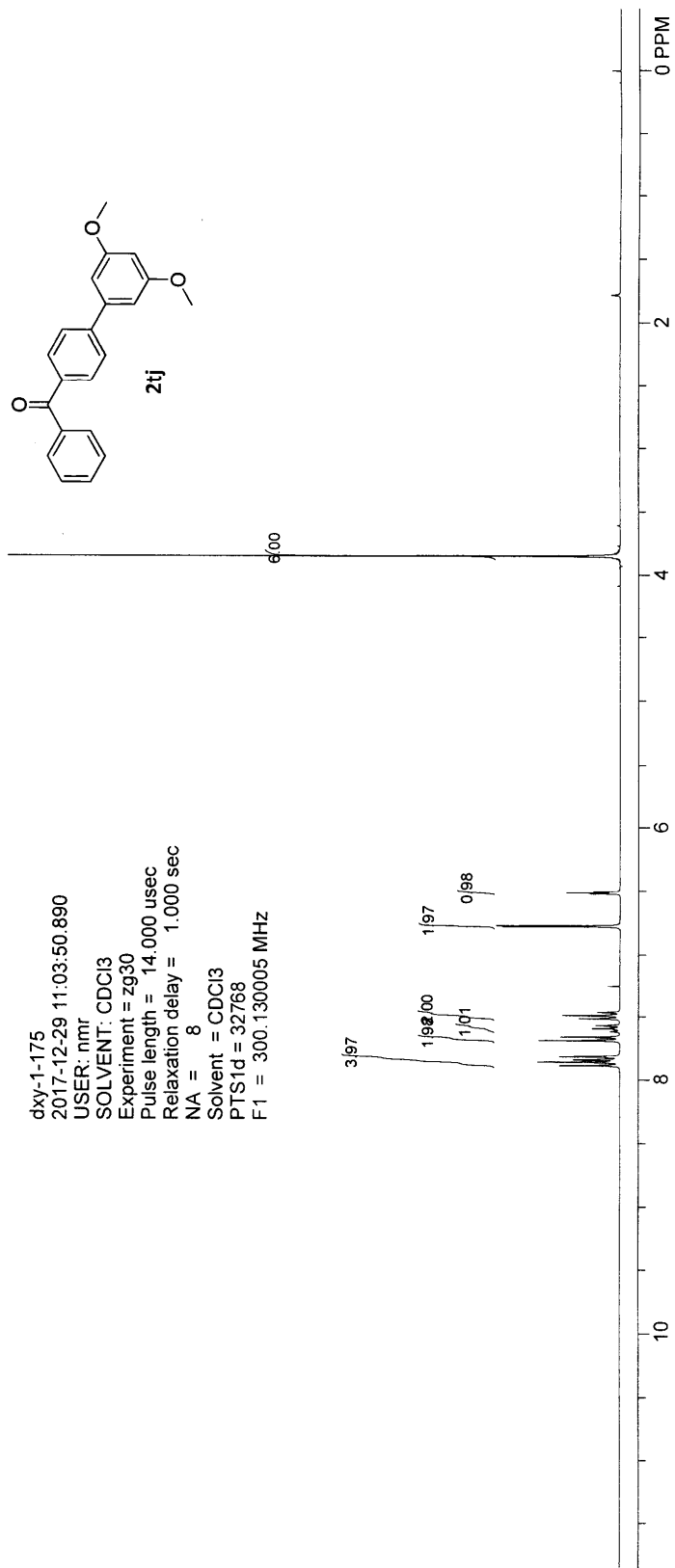


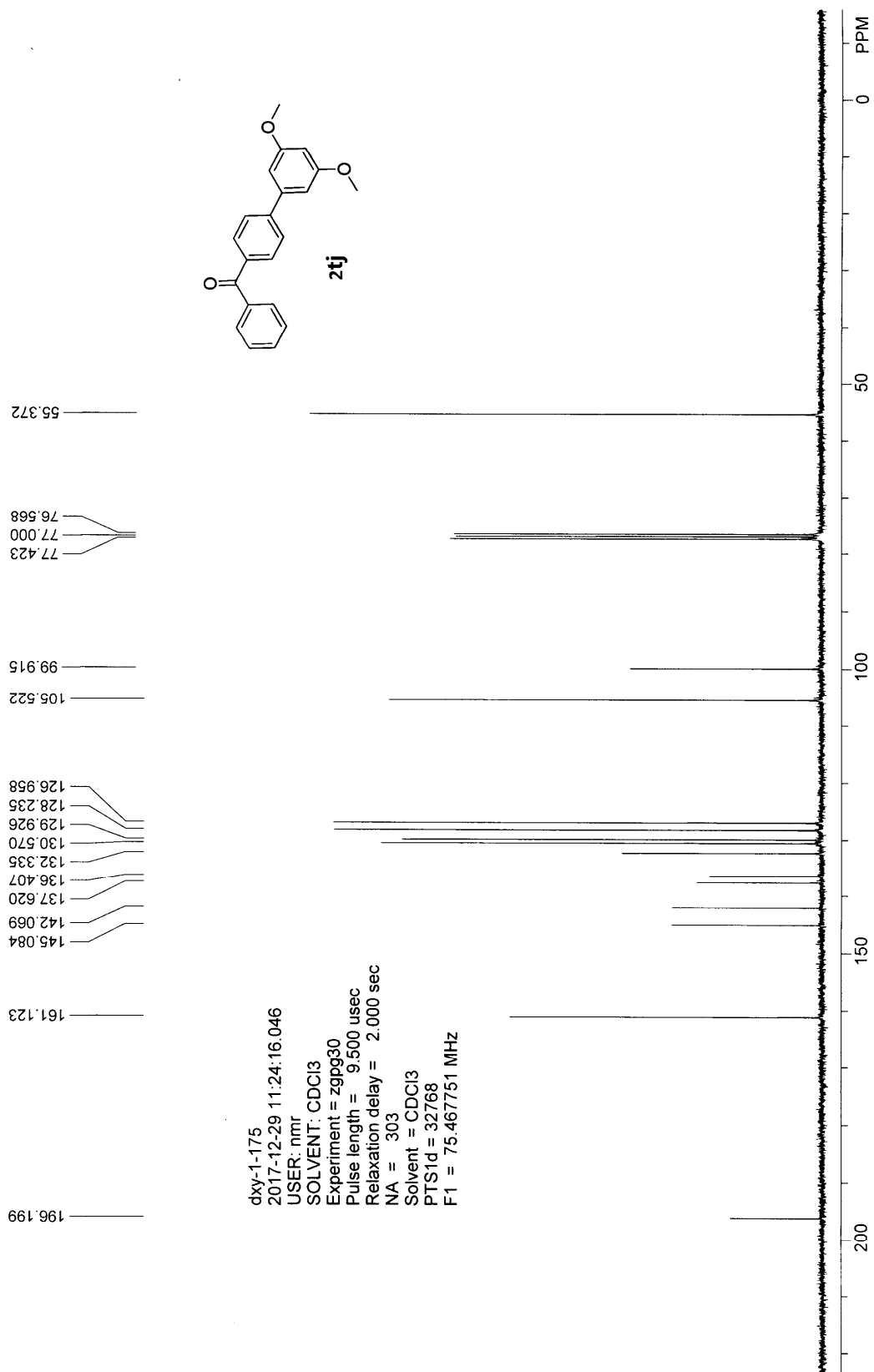
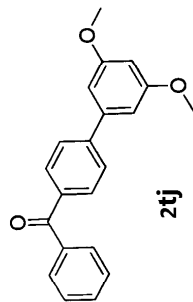


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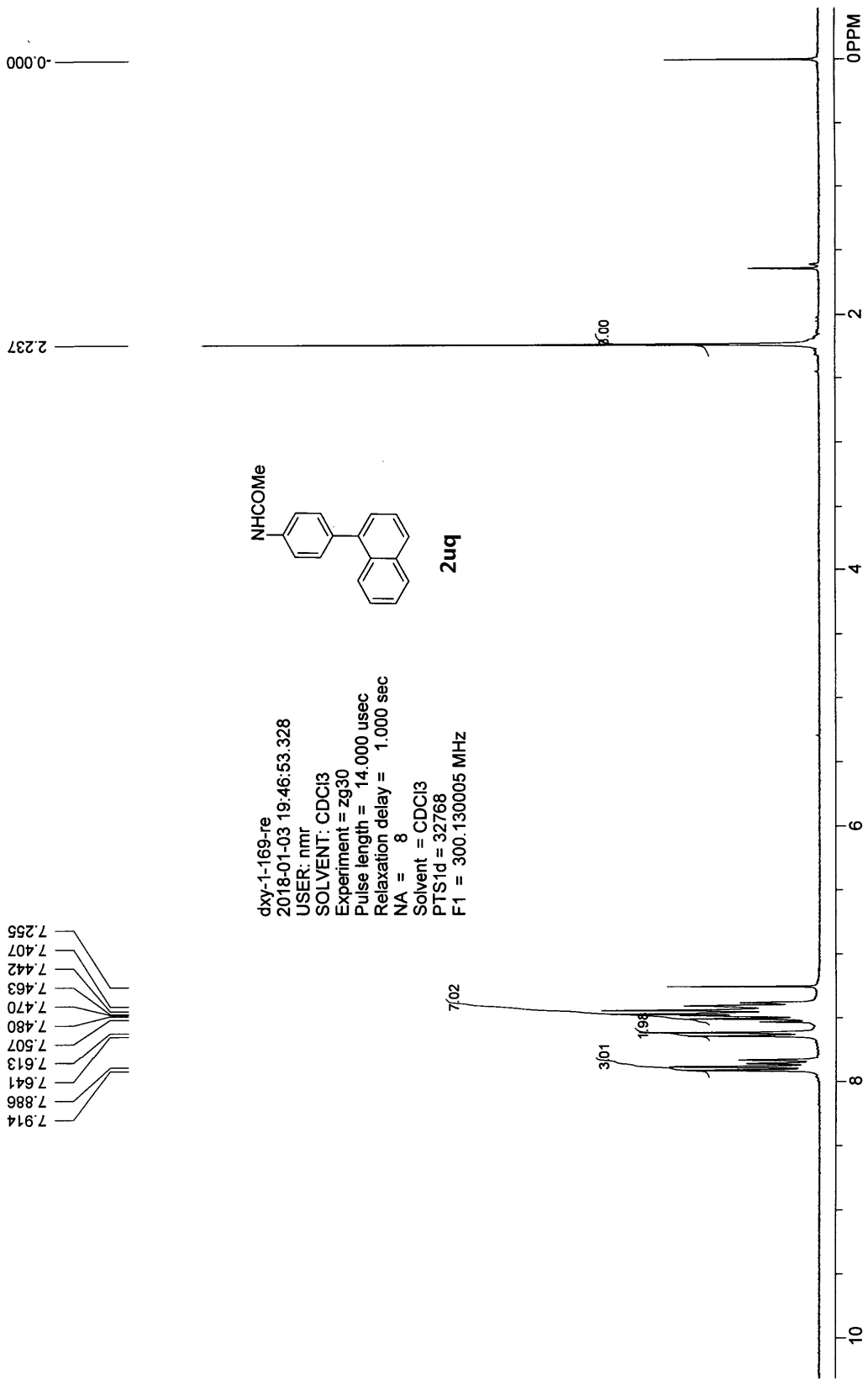


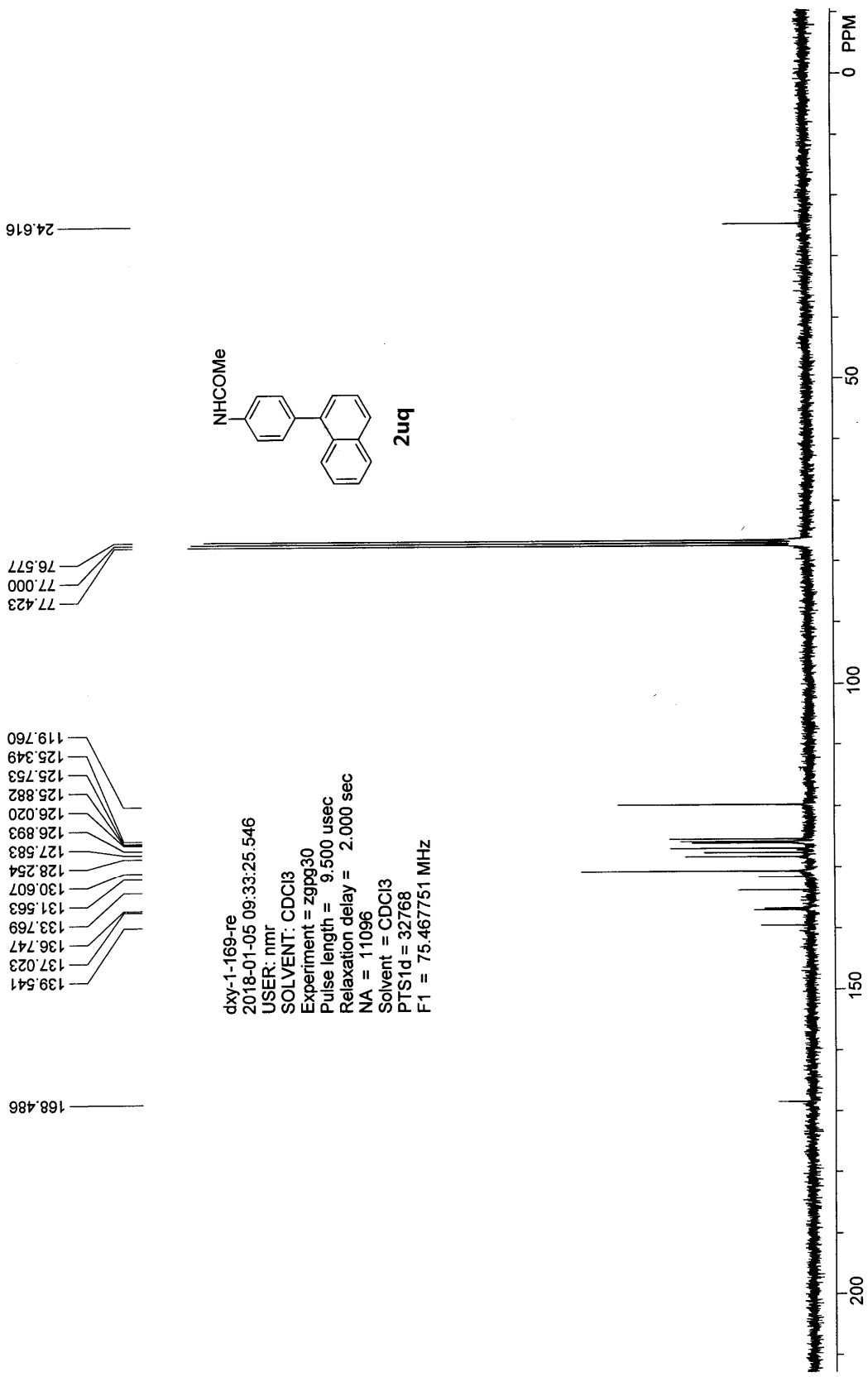
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PTS1d = 32768
F1 = 300.130005 MHz





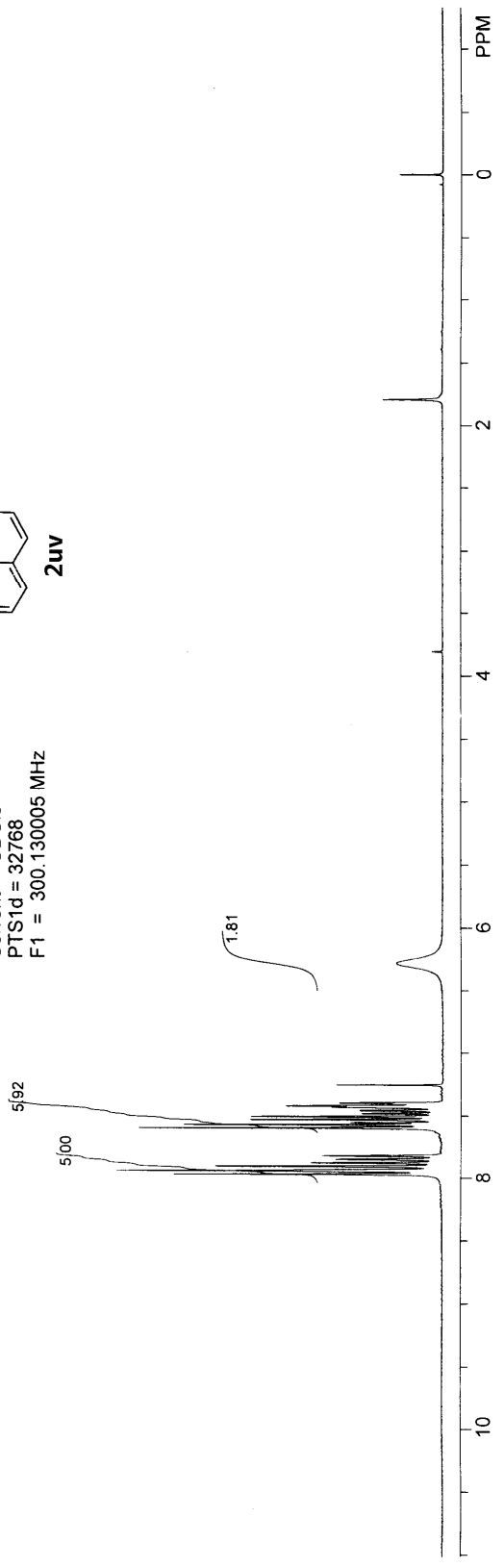
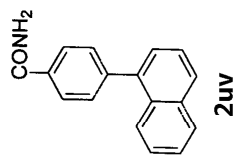
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 F1 = 75.467751 MHz

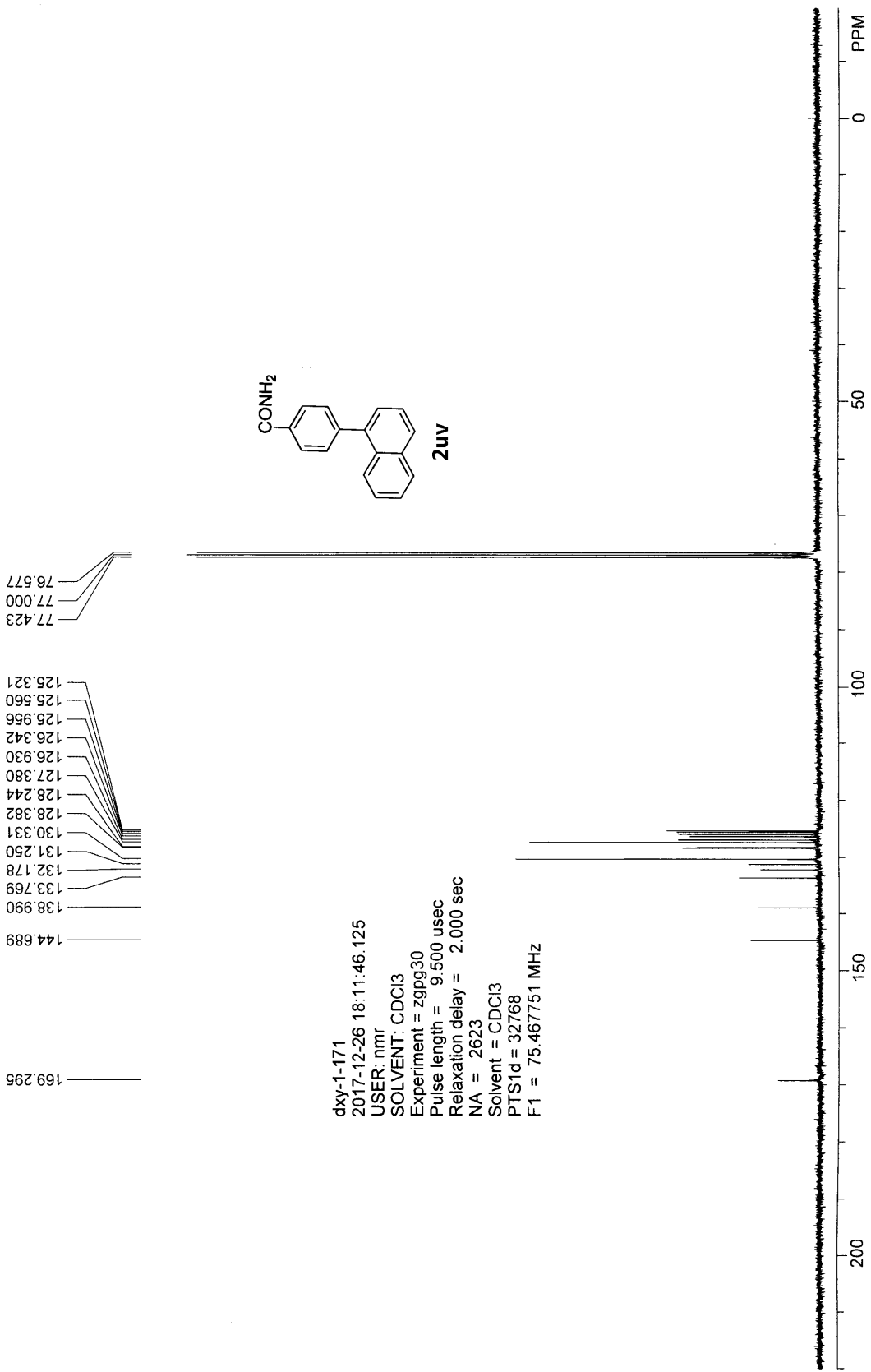


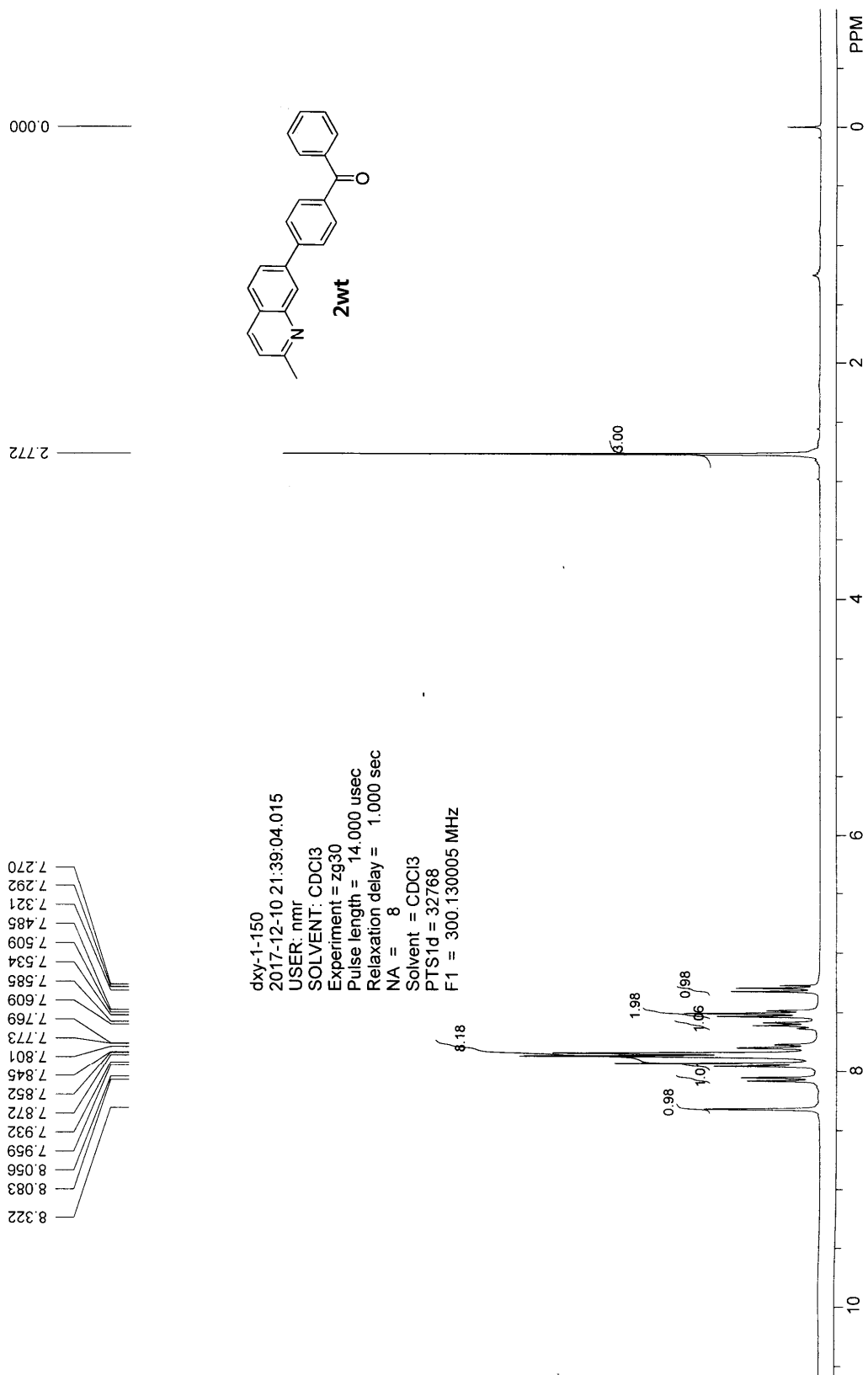


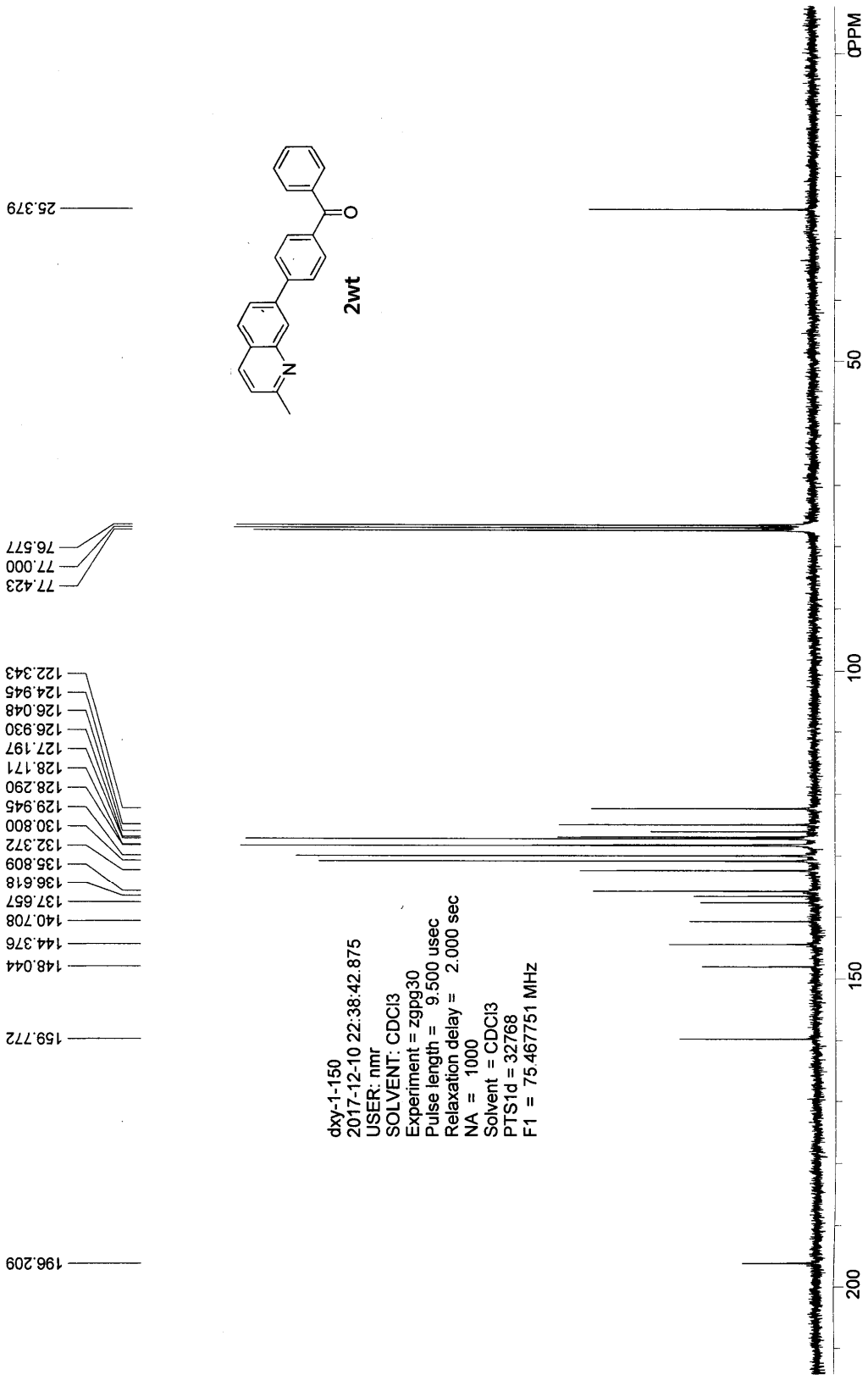


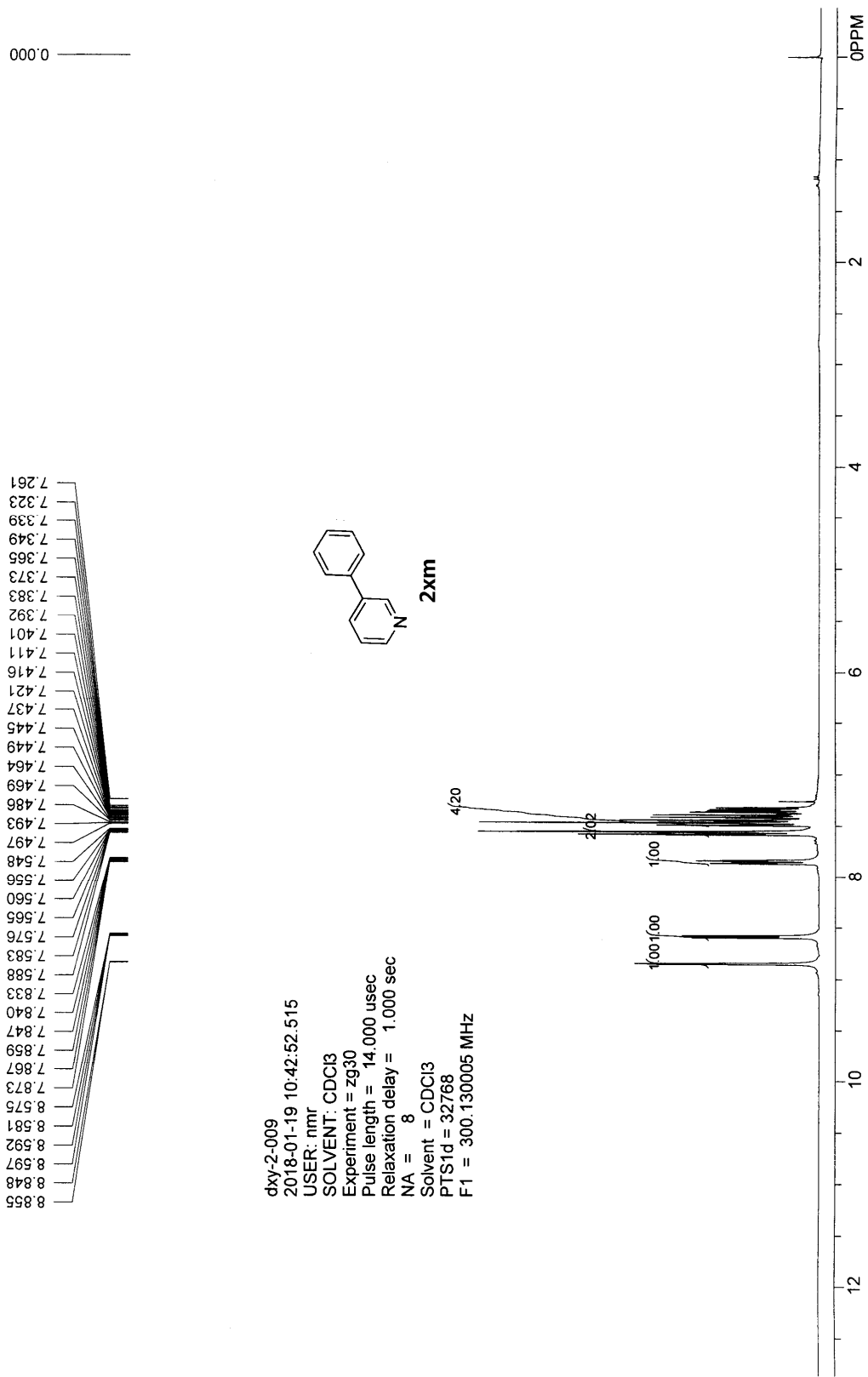
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F1 = 300.130005 MHz





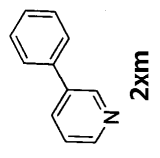




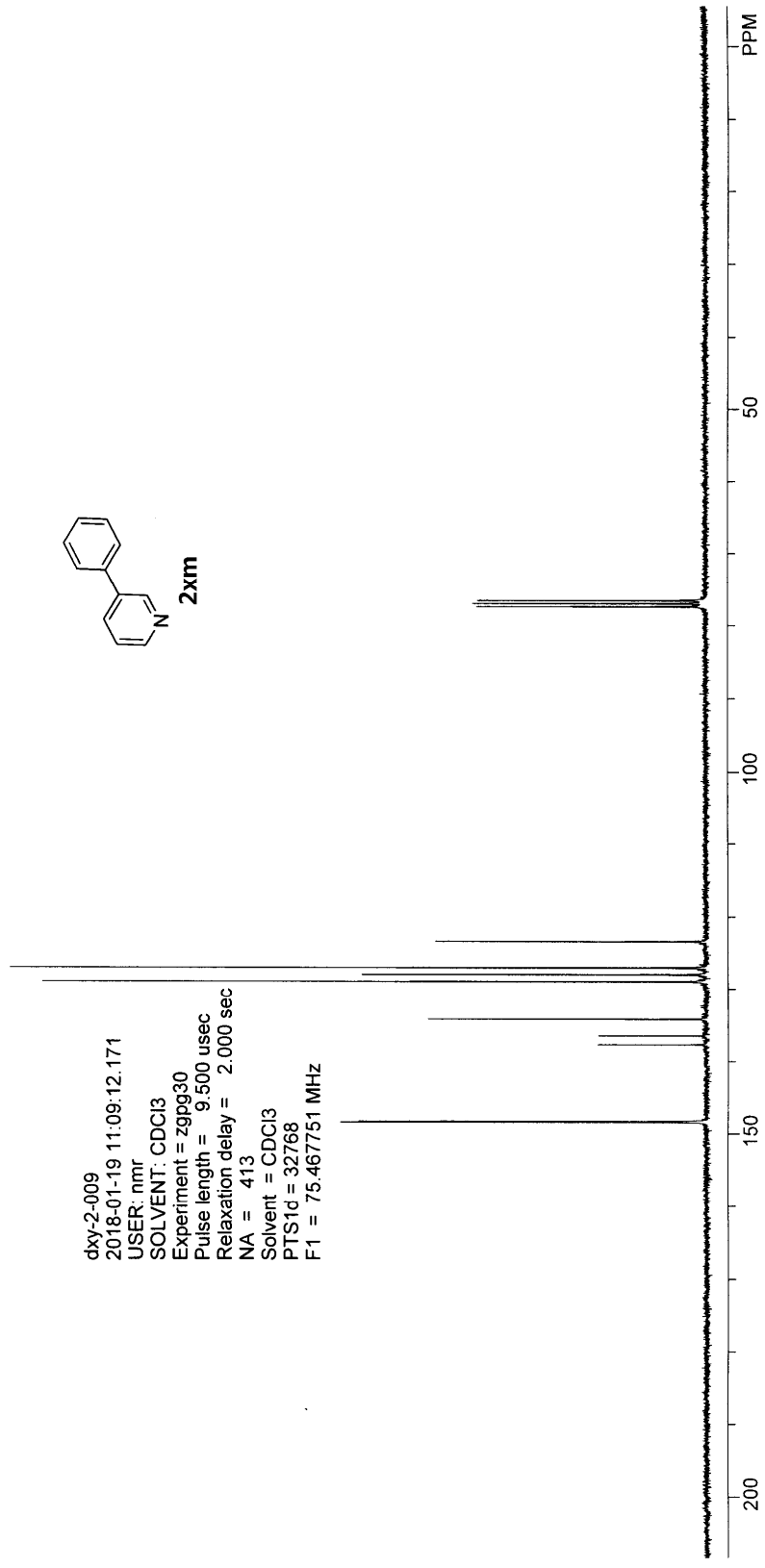


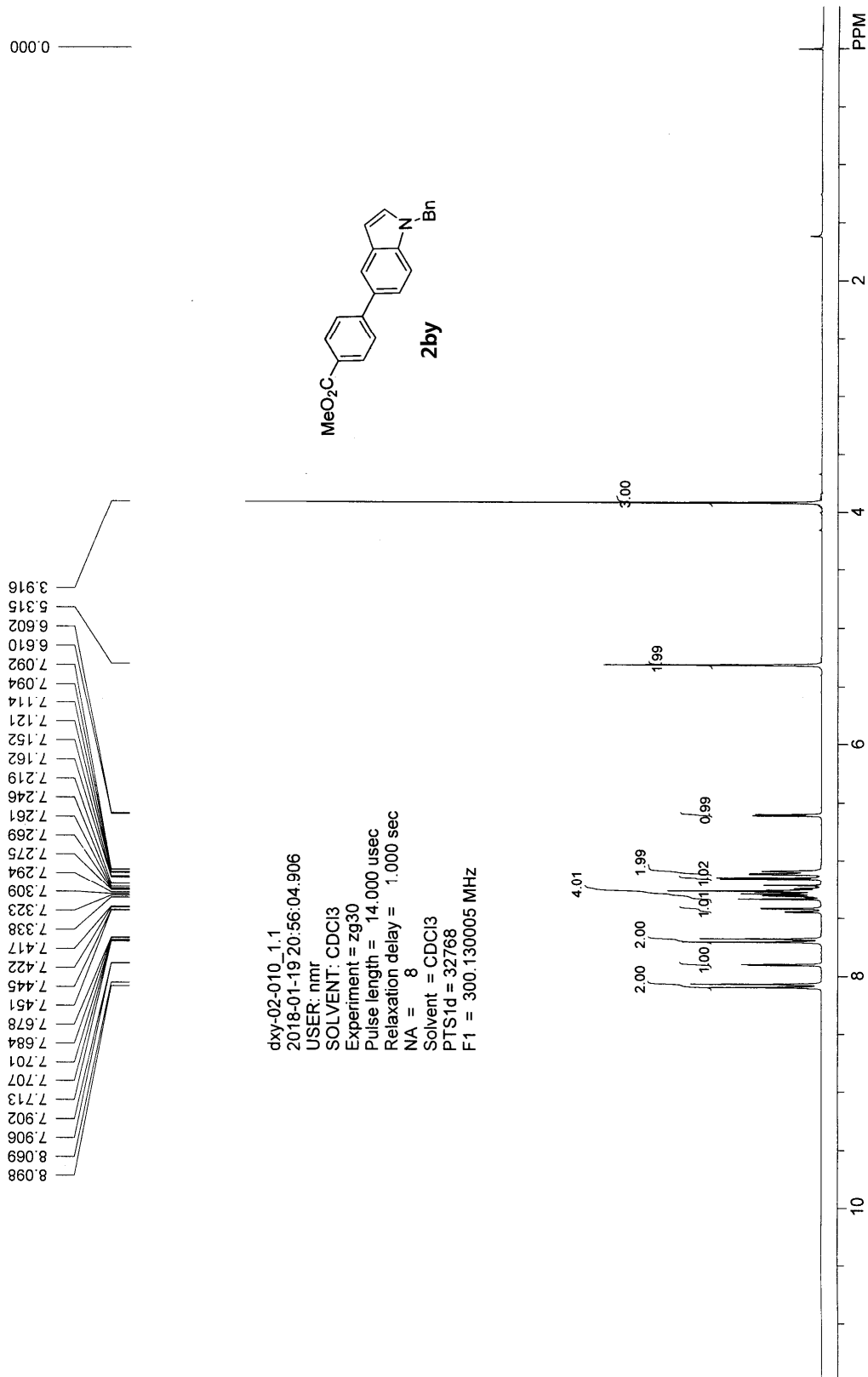
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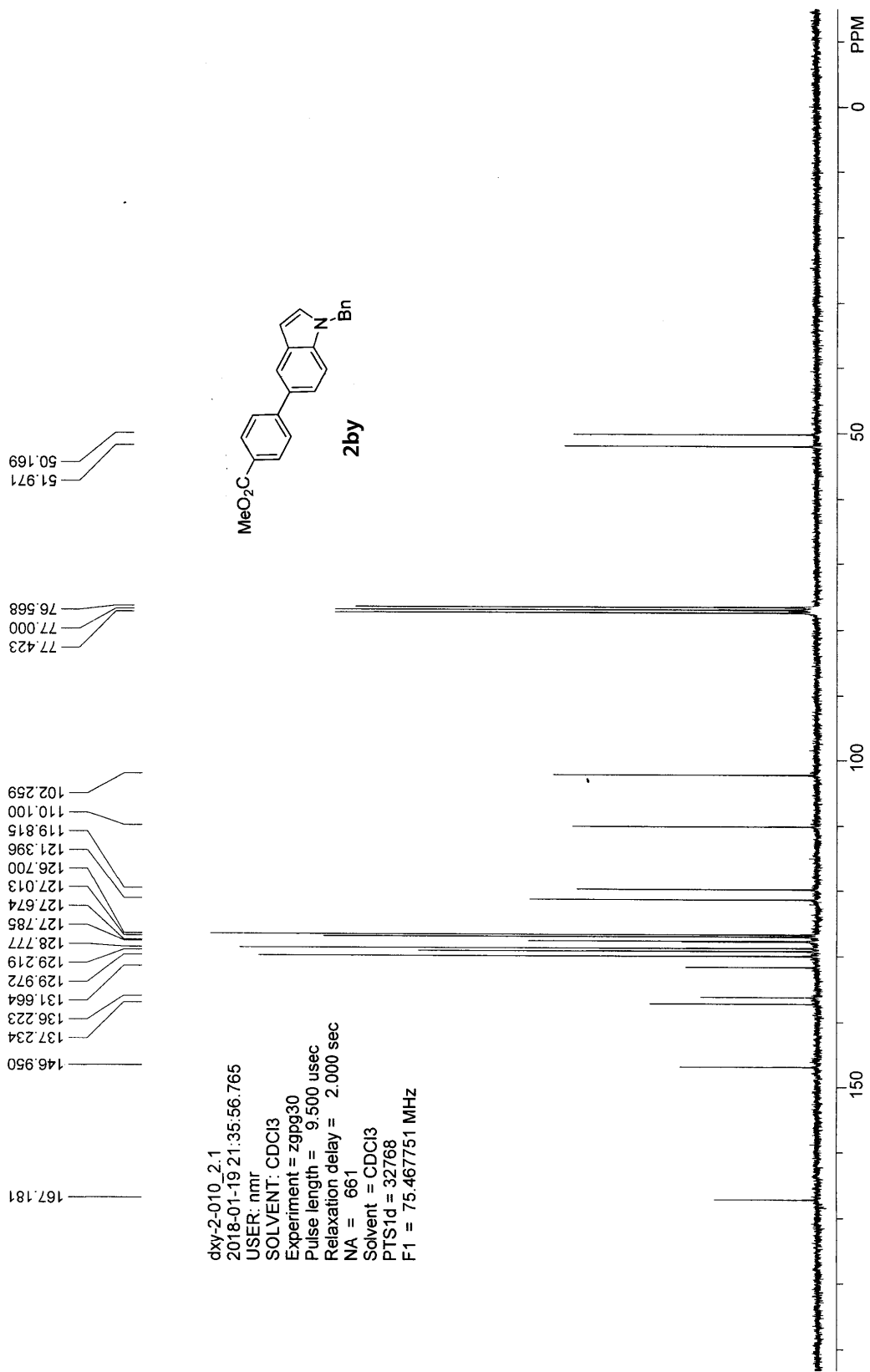
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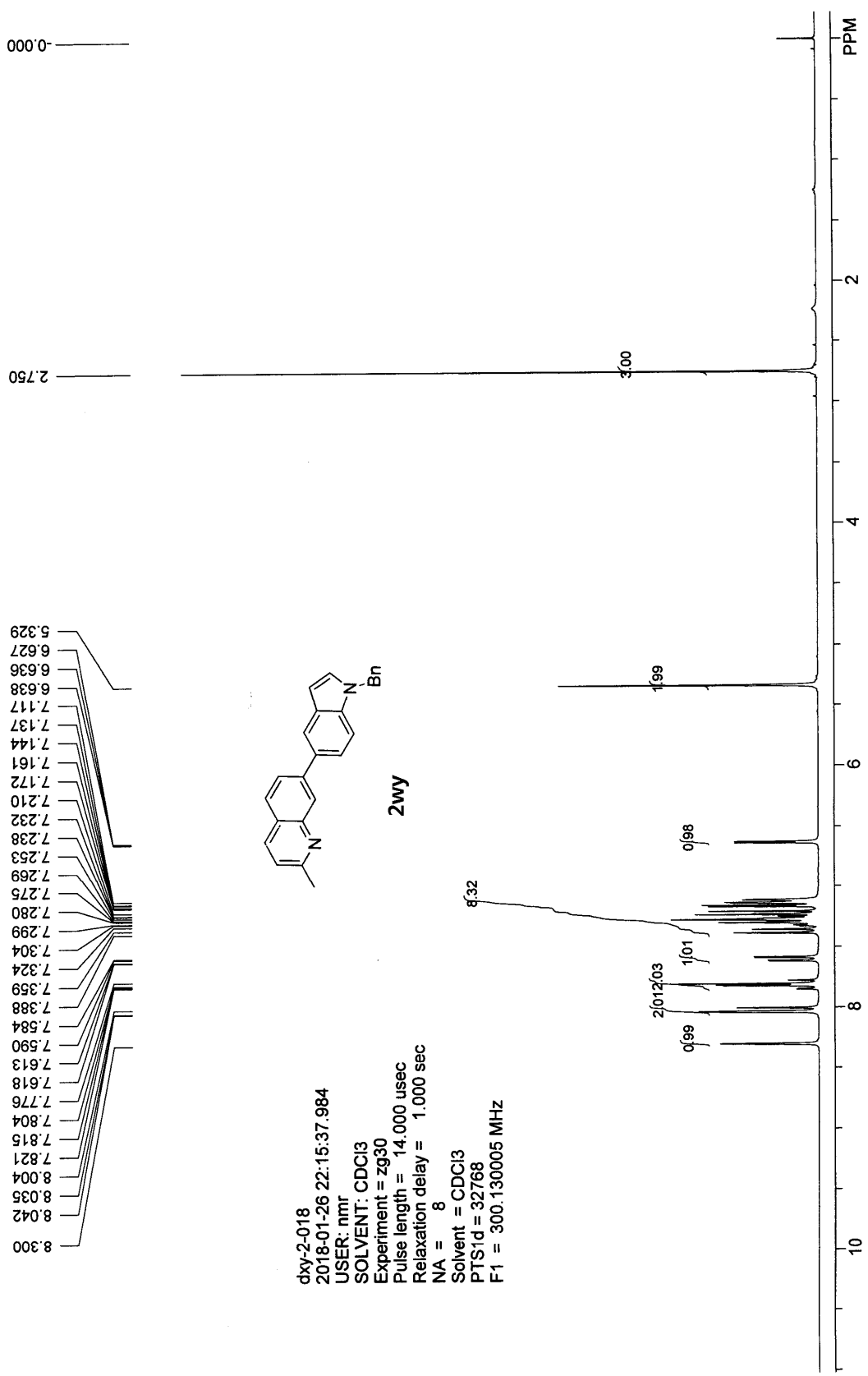


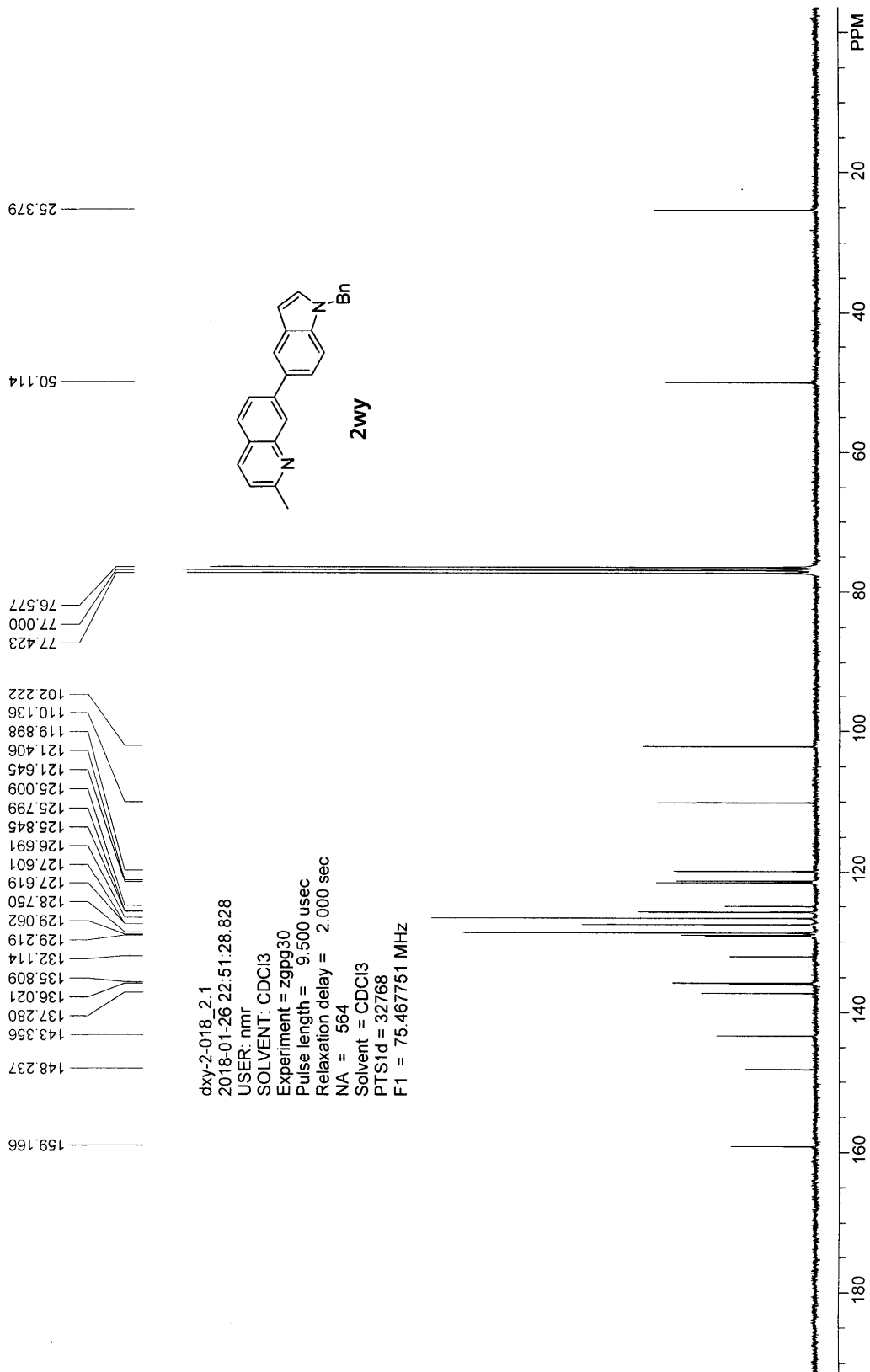
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F1 = 75.467751 MHz

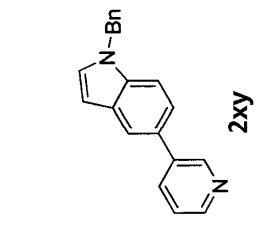
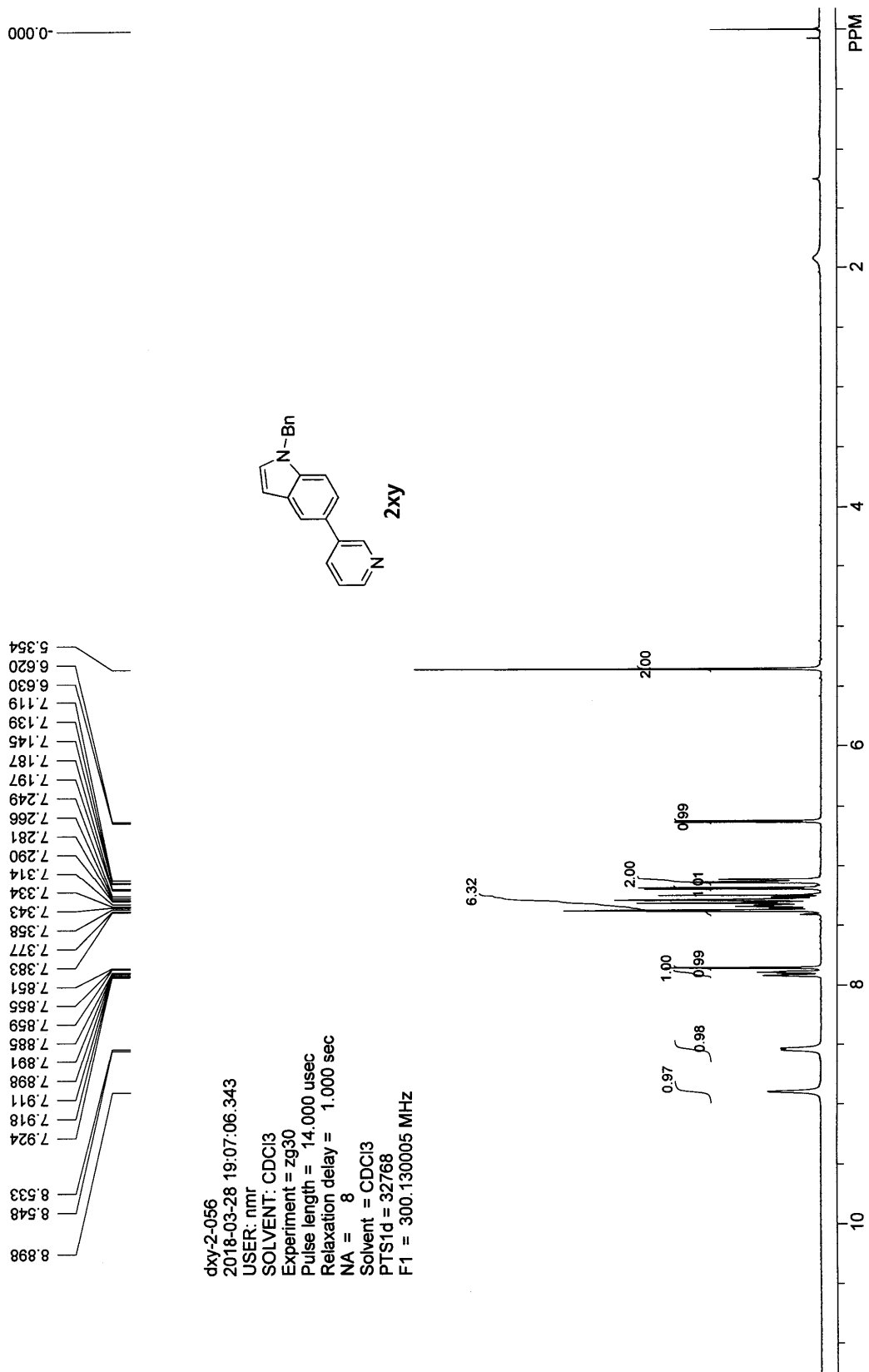




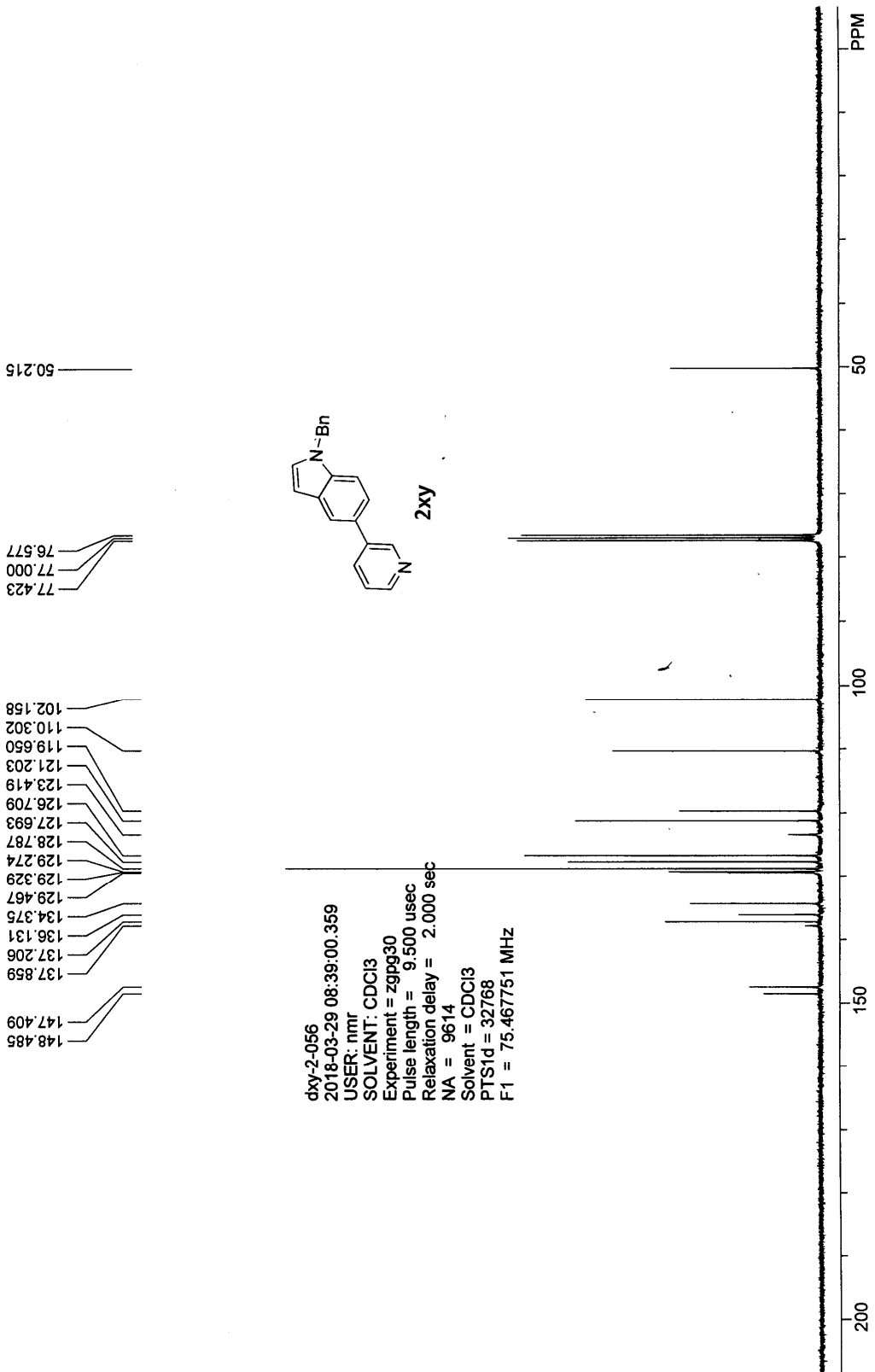






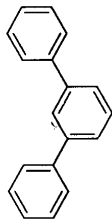


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 PTS1d = 32768
 F1 = 300.130005 MHz



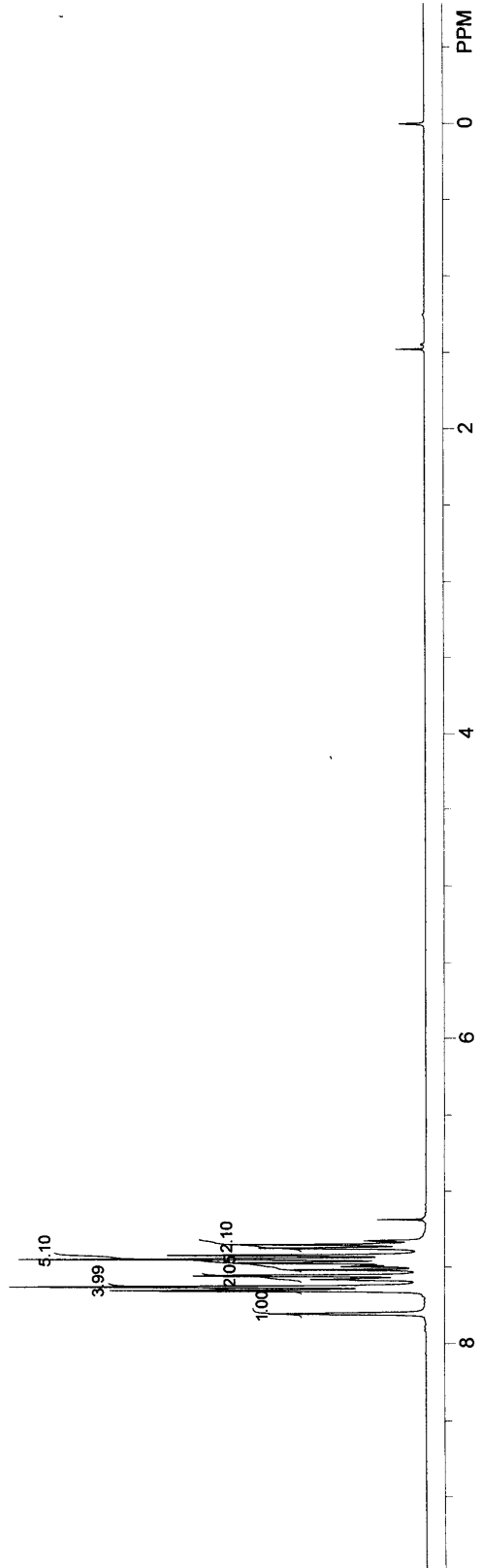
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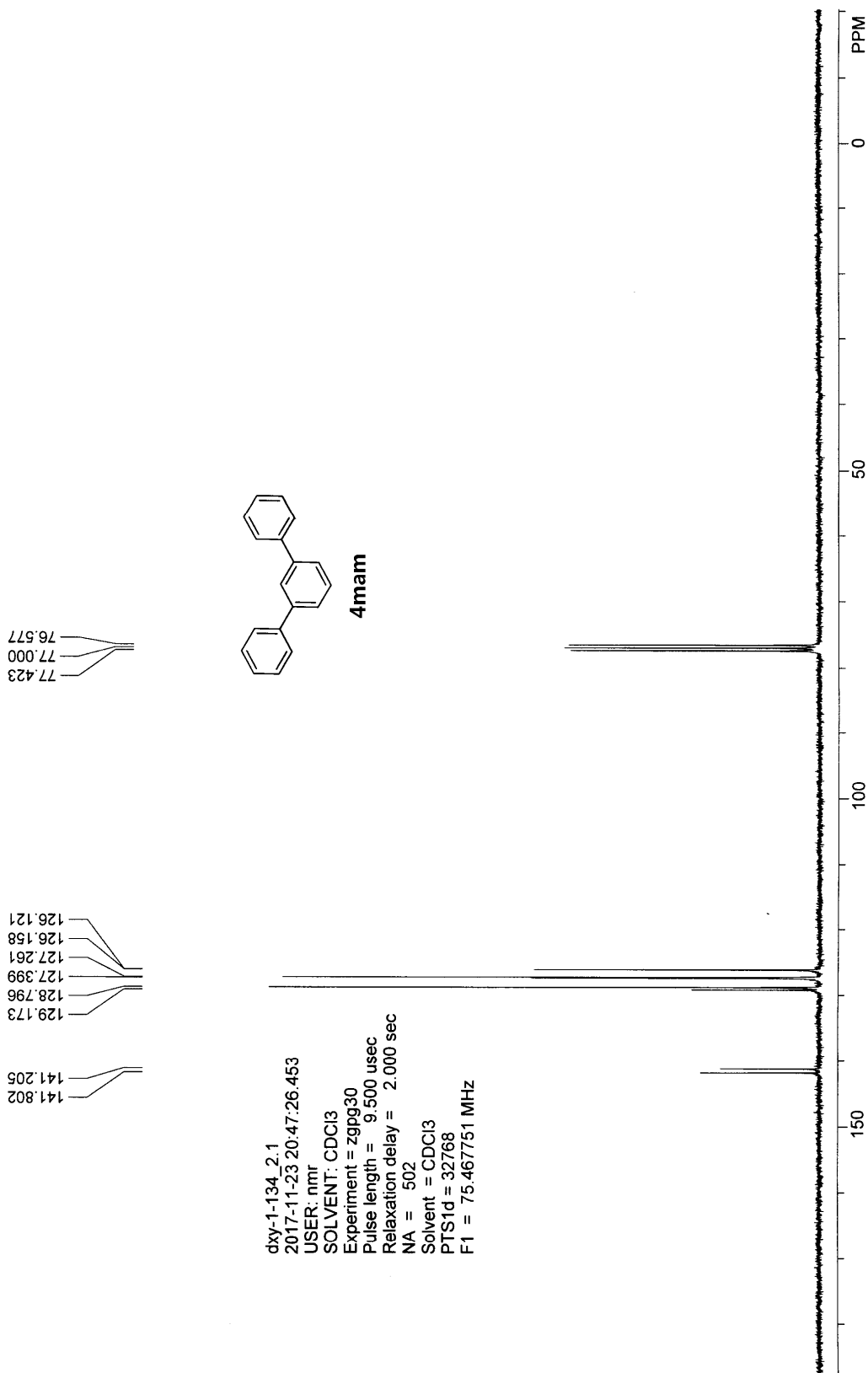
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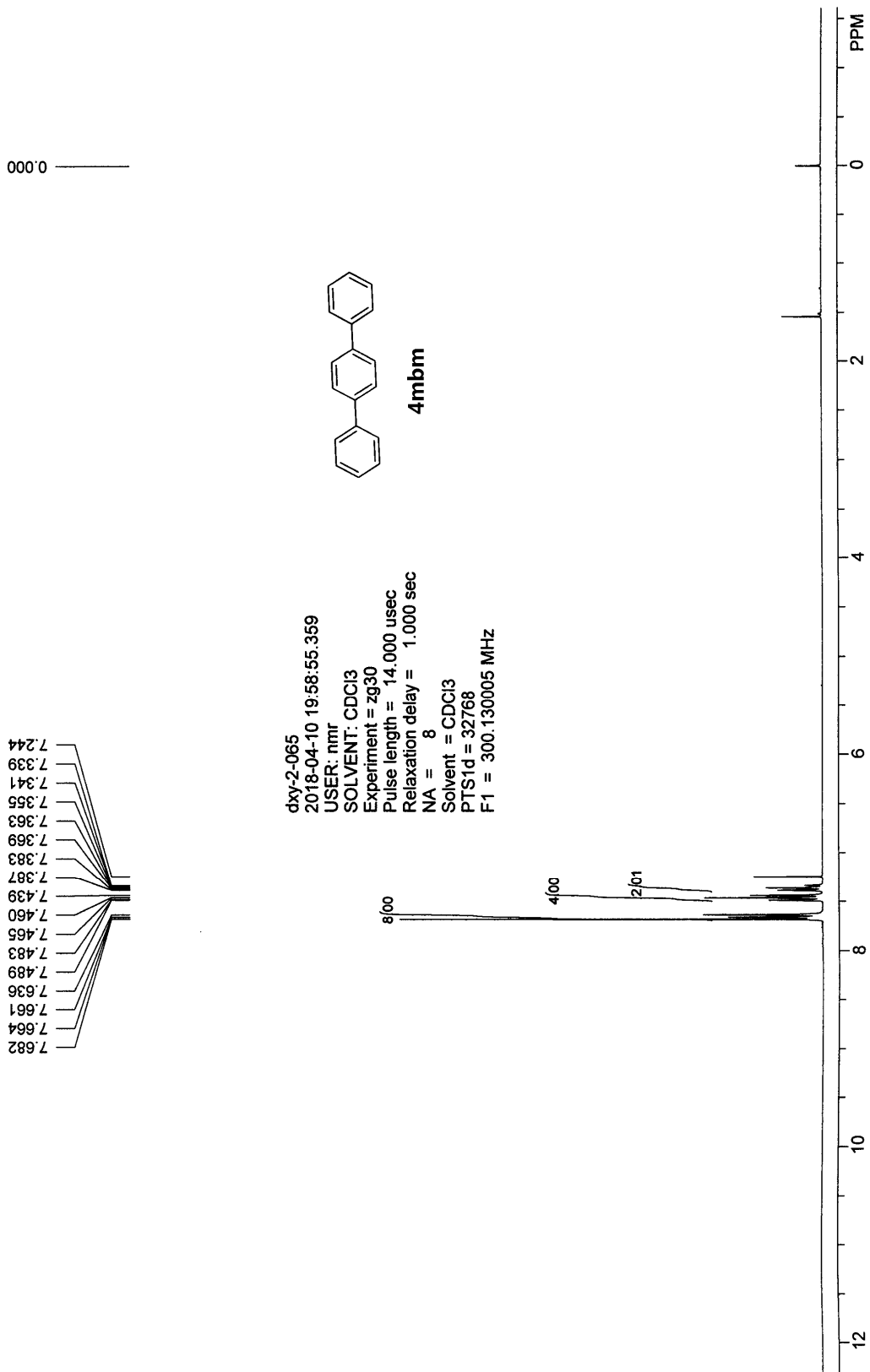


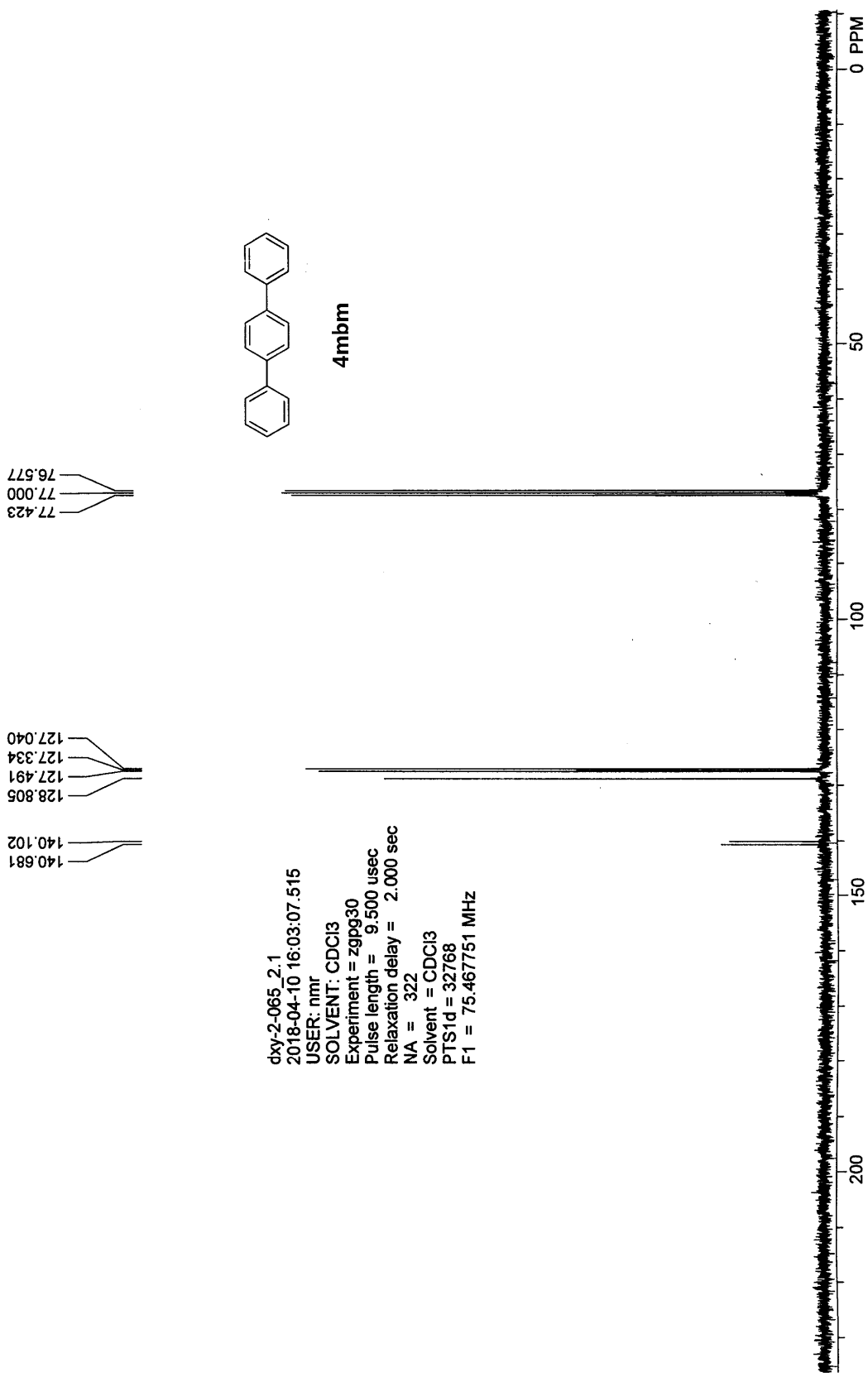
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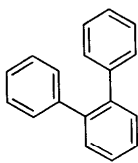






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4mcm

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F1 = 300.130005 MHz

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OPPM

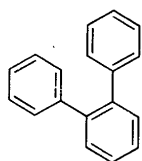
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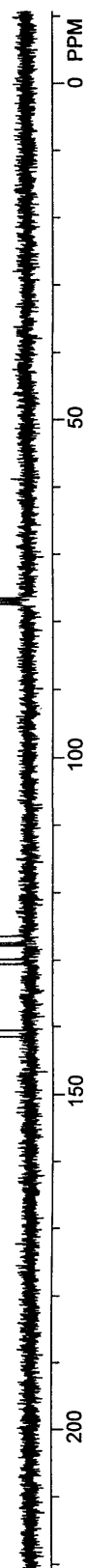
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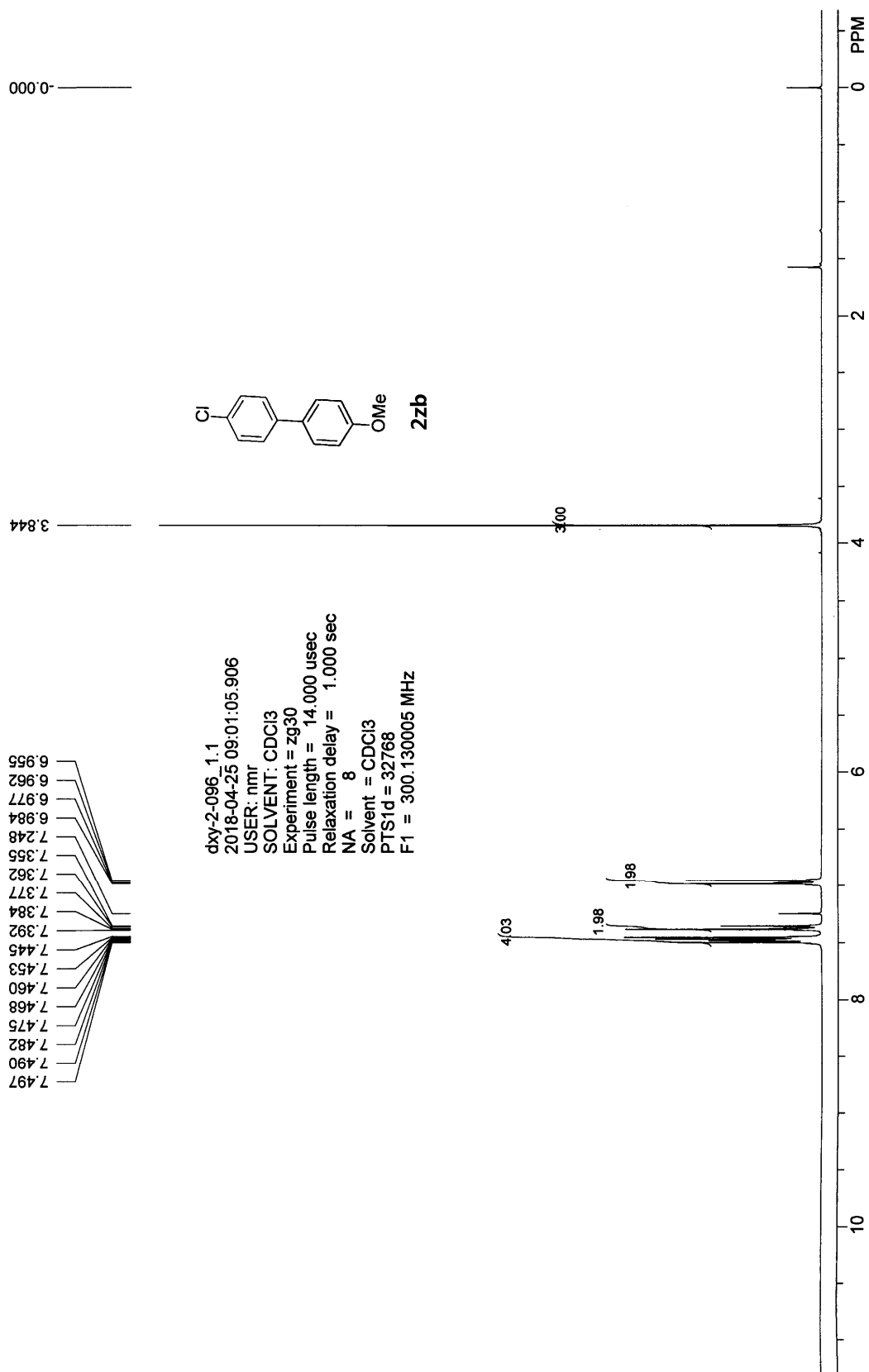
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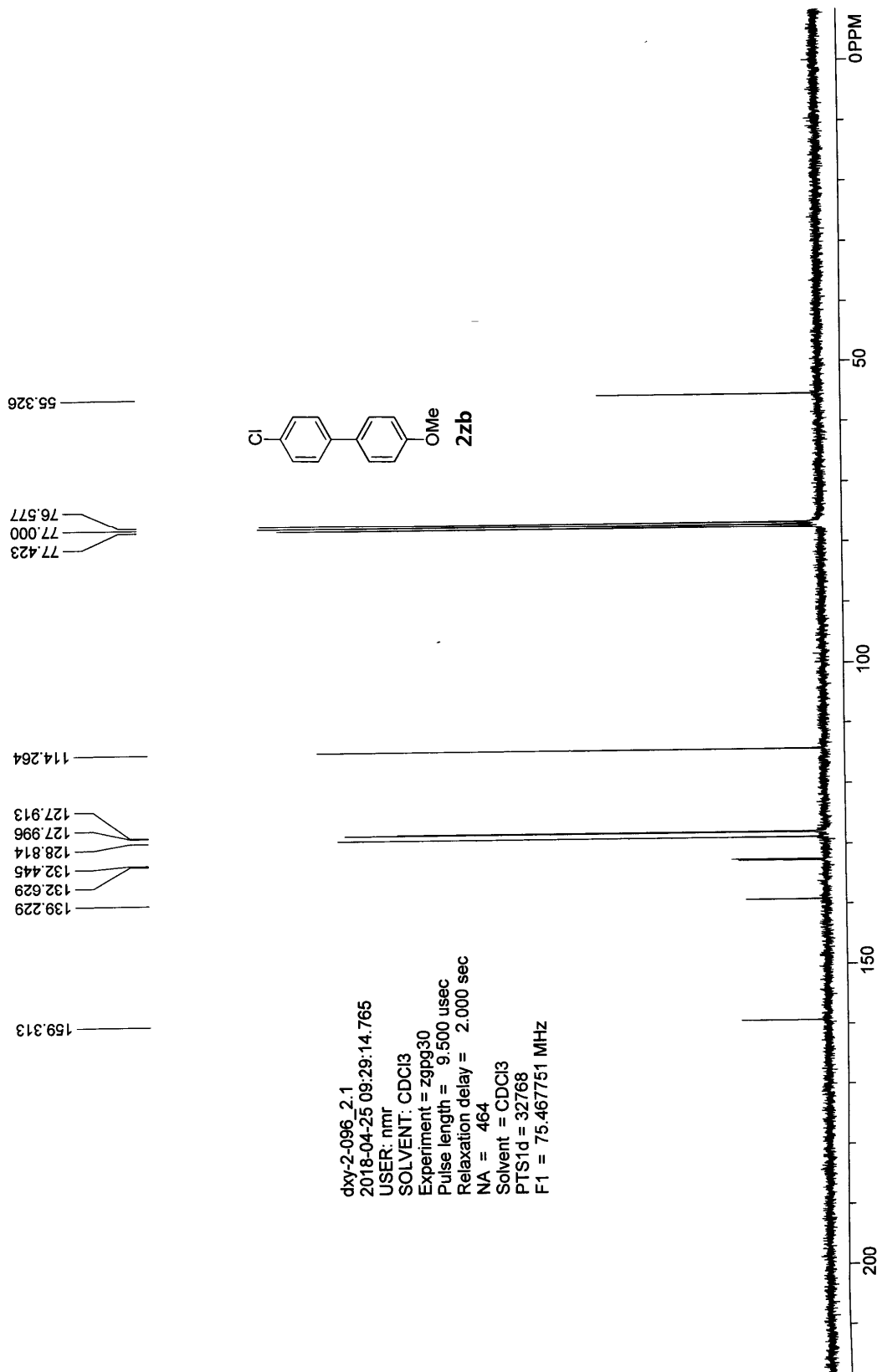
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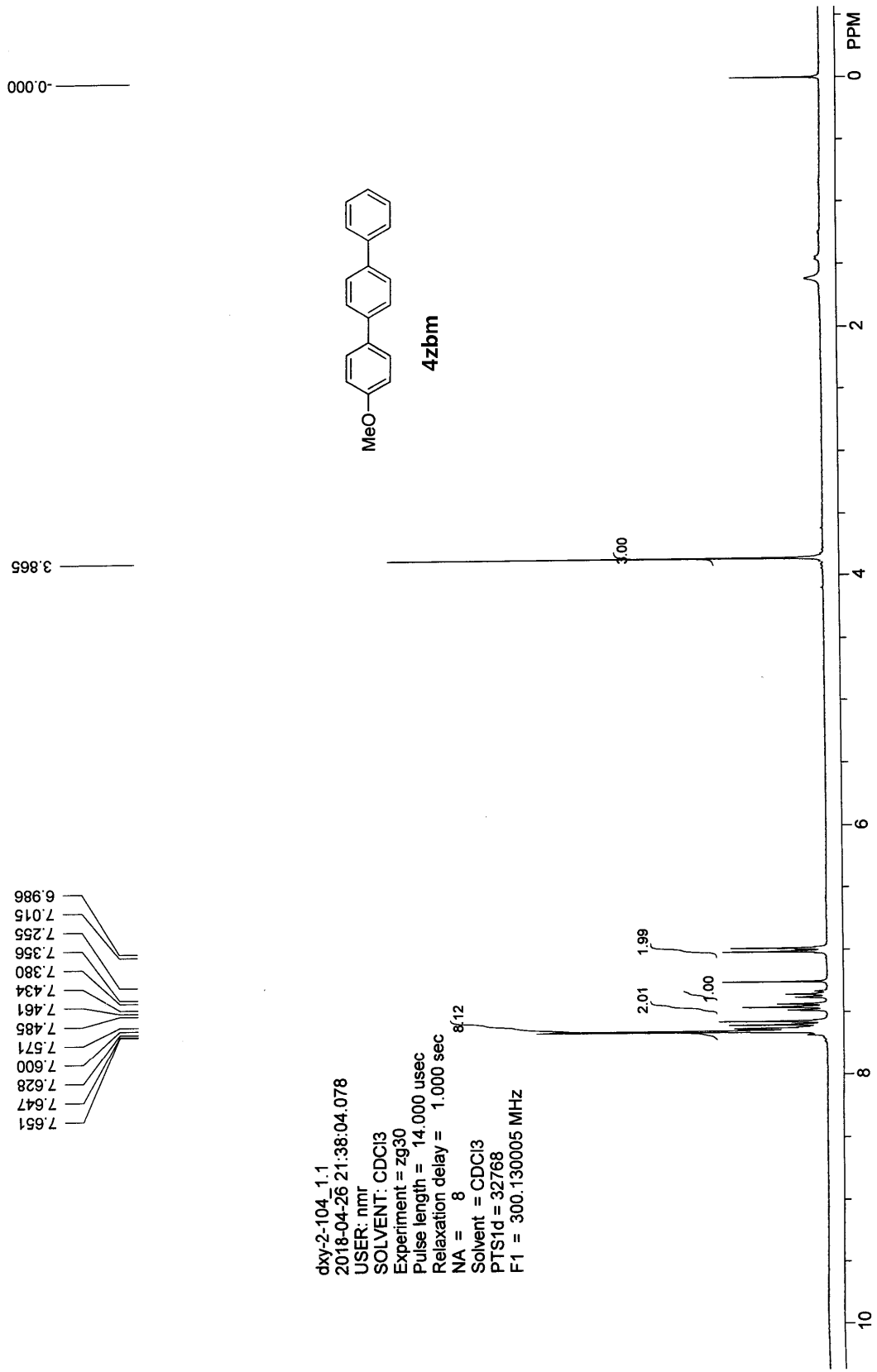
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F1 = 75.467751 MHz









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