

Supporting Information

Nanolayered Cobalt-Molybdenum Sulphides (Co-Mo-S) Catalyse Borrowing Hydrogen C-S Bond Formation Reactions of Thiols or H₂S with Alcohols

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1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Reagents were obtained from commercial sources and were used as received. ^1H -NMR, ^{13}C -NMR spectra of isolated products were recorded on a Bruker AV 300 spectrometer. All chemical shifts (δ) are reported in parts per million (ppm) and coupling constants (J) in Hz. For ^1H -NMR all chemical shifts are reported relative to tetramethylsilane (δ 0.0 ppm in CDCl_3) or *d*-solvent peaks (δ 77.16 ppm CDCl_3) for ^{13}C -NMR.

The GC yields were determined by GC-FID using *n*-hexadecane as an internal standard. GC-FID analyses were performed on a Bruker 430-GC System equipped with a 25 m capillary column of 5% phenylmethylsilicone. Mass determination was carried out on a GC-Mass Agilent 6890 Network equipped with the same column as the GC and a mass selective detector. The H_2 formation was analyzed using an Agilent 490 MicroGC equipped with two columns (Pore Plot Q and MolSieve 5A) and one thermal conductivity detector (TCD).

Powder X-ray diffraction (XRD) measurements were performed in a HTPhilips X'Pert MPD diffractometer equipped with a PW3050 goniometer using $\text{CuK}\alpha$ radiation and a multisampling handler. Samples for electron microscopy studies were prepared by dropping a suspension of the nanolayered Co-Mo-S-based catalysts in CH_2Cl_2 directly onto the holey-carbon-coated nickel grids. All measurements were performed in a JEOL 2100F microscope operating at 200 kV both in transmission (TEM) and scanning-transmission modes (STEM). STEM images were obtained using a high-angle annular dark-field detector (HAADF), which allows Z-contrast imaging.

2. PREPARATION OF UNSUPPORTED CATALYSTS

All unsupported catalysts were prepared by a one-pot hydrothermal synthesis in a 130 mL Parr stirred reactor accordingly to literature methods.¹ Briefly, ammonium molybdate $[(\text{NH}_4)_6\text{Mo}_7\text{O}_{24}\cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}]$ (750 mg), elemental sulphur (283.4 mg), and variable amounts of cobalt acetate $[\text{Co}(\text{OAc})_2\cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}]$ (see Table S1) were placed in a stainless steel autoclave vessel. Then, distilled water (57 mL) and hydrazine monohydrate (64-65%, 5.5 mL) were added, and the autoclave was closed tightly and purged twice with nitrogen for leak testing. The mixture was heated and stirred until the internal temperature (180 °C) was

reached (approximately 60-90 min) and then maintained under static conditions at this temperature. After 22 h, the autoclave was naturally cooled down to room temperature, and the generated gas was carefully released. The resulting nanolayered catalyst was recovered by filtration and washed with distilled water, ethanol, and diethyl ether. Finally, the black solid catalyst was dried under vacuum for 1 h and stored under a nitrogen atmosphere.

Catalyst Mo-free Co_xS_y was synthesized by the above described preparation methodology but without adding the molybdenum salt precursor.^{1b}

Table S1. Preparation details, phase composition (PC) and hydrogenation activity (HA) of unsupported catalysts (data reported in ref. 1).

Catalyst	$(\text{NH}_4)_6\text{Mo}_7\text{O}_{24} \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (mg)	$\text{Co}(\text{OAc})_2 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$ m(g)	PC	Order of HA ^c
Co-Mo-S-0.39^{a,b}	780	295.6	MoS_2 ; CoS_2	3
Co-Mo-S-0.58^{a,b}	780	471.6	MoS_2 ; CoS_2	4
Co-Mo-S-0.83^a	780	1100.4	MoS_2 ; Co_3S_4 ; CoS_2	1
Co-Mo-S-0.91^a	780	1650.7	MoS_2 ; Co_9S_8	2
Mo-free Co_xS_y	-	1100.4	CoS_2 ; Co_3S_4 ; Co_9S_8	5
MoS_2	780	-	MoS_2	6

^a All of them display Co-Mo-S-like structures which are highly active but poorly stable. ^b Apart from their $\text{Co}/(\text{Mo} + \text{Co})$ mole ratio, differences between both catalysts rely on the distribution/interaction of MoS_2 and CoS_2 phases: catalyst Co-Mo-S-0.39 displays more interlaced phases than catalyst Co-Mo-S-0.58, thus promoting a presumably higher formation of active Co-Mo-S-like structures. ^c Hydrogenation activity (HA) for the regioselective hydrogenation of quinoline.

3. EXTENSION DATA FOR REACTION PROFILES INVESTIGATION

General procedure for the reaction profile determination

Reaction profiles for the alkylation of thiols with alcohols and for the thioetherification with H_2S were performed following the general procedure described in the manuscript. Before taking each aliquot at different reaction times, the magnetic stirring was switched off for 1 min to collect the catalyst on the bottom, and then 50 μL of the reaction mixture was taken out for GC analysis.

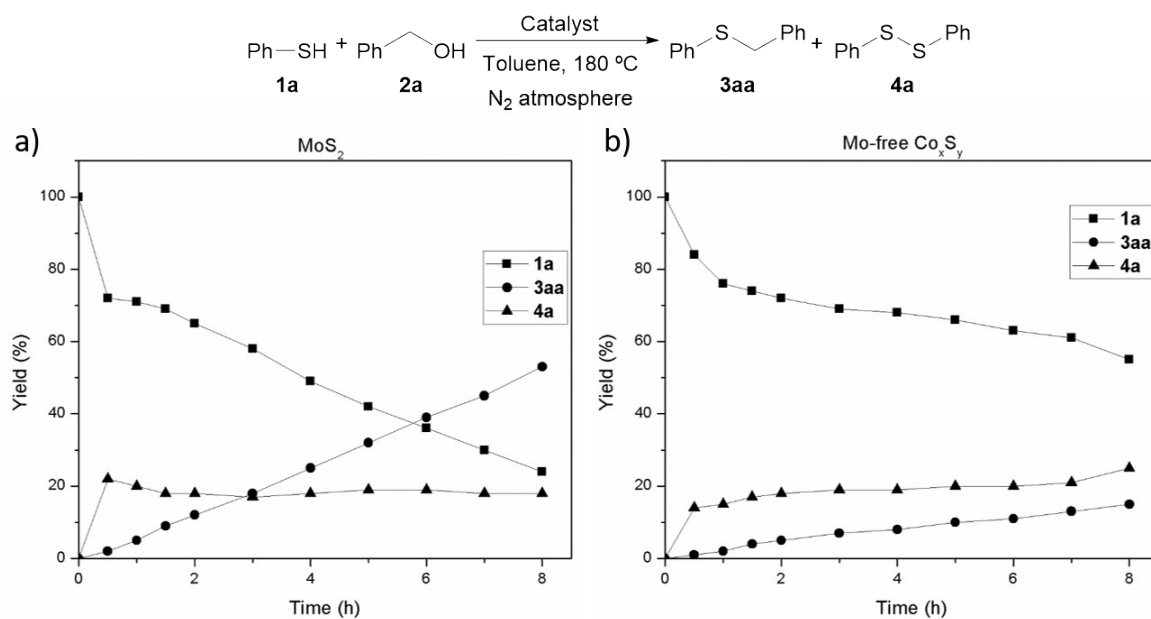


Figure S1. Yield-time diagram of benzyl phenyl sulphide (**3aa**) and diphenyl disulphide (**4a**) produced during alkylation of benzenethiol (**1a**) with benzyl alcohol (**2a**) in the presence of catalyst a) MoS₂ and b) Mo-free Co_xS_y. Reaction conditions: **1a** (0.25 mmol), **2a** (0.5 mmol), catalyst (13.1 mg), toluene (1.6 mL), 3.5 bar N₂, 180 °C.

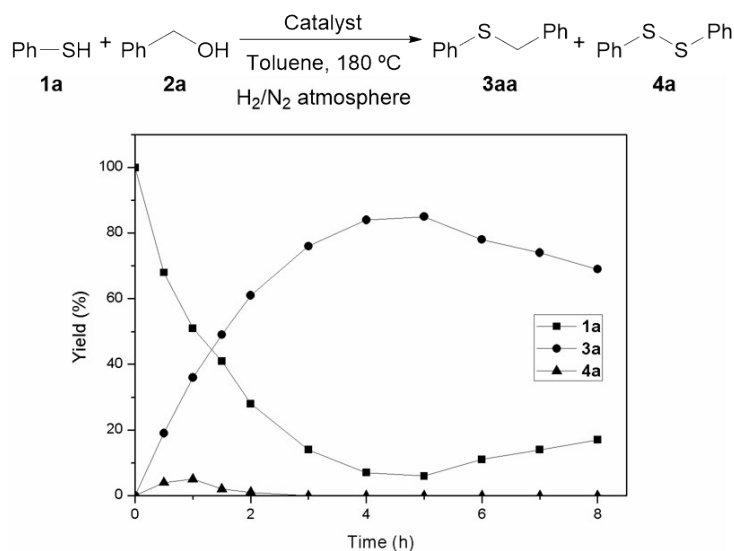


Figure S2. Yield-time diagram of benzyl phenyl sulphide (**3aa**) and diphenyl disulphide (**4a**) produced during alkylation of benzenethiol (**1a**) with benzyl alcohol (**2a**) in the presence of catalyst Co-Mo-S-0.83 with an extra supply of hydrogen gas pressure. Reaction conditions: **1a** (0.25 mmol), **2a** (0.5 mmol), catalyst (13.1 mg), toluene (1.6 mL), 2 bar N₂ and 1.5 bar H₂, 180 °C.

As shown in Figure S2, during the alkylation reaction of benzenethiol (**1a**) with benzyl alcohol (**2a**) in the presence of catalyst Co-Mo-S-0.83 with an extra supply of hydrogen gas pressure, the concentration of benzyl phenyl sulphide (**3aa**) increased parallel to benzenethiol (**1a**) conversion. Traces (5%) of diphenyl disulphide (**4a**) are also formed, but it is rapidly consumed in 2 h. After reaching a maximum, the concentration of **3aa** starts to decrease with the concomitant formation of **1a** as result of the C-S bond cleavage, which is not surprising considering the extended used of MoS₂-based catalysts in HDS processes.

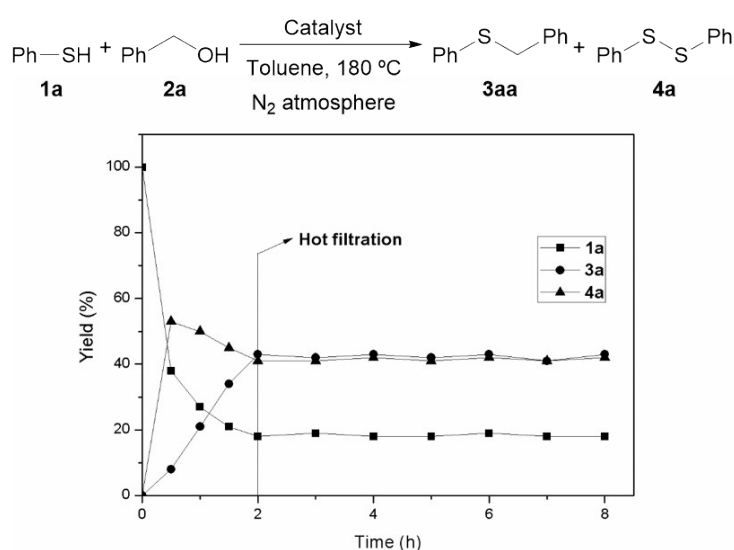


Figure S3. Yield-time diagram of benzyl phenyl sulphide (**3aa**) and diphenyl disulphide (**4a**) produced during alkylation of benzenethiol (**1a**) with benzyl alcohol (**2a**) in the presence of catalyst Co-Mo-S-0.83 when the catalyst is removed by hot filtration. Reaction conditions: **1a** (0.25 mmol), **2a** (0.5 mmol), catalyst (13.1 mg), toluene (1.6 mL), 3.5 bar N₂, 180 °C.

4. GENERAL PROCEDURES FOR THE CATALYST RECYCLING EXPERIMENTS

For the recycling experiments, the general procedures for the alkylation of thiols with alcohols and thioetherification with H₂S were followed as described in the manuscript. After reaction time (10 or 18 h), the reactor was naturally cooled down to room temperature and the pressure was carefully release. The reaction mixture was diluted with ethyl acetate and an aliquot was taken to be analysed by gas

chromatography. Then, the catalyst was separated by centrifugation, washed with n-Et₂O and dry under vacuum before using for the next run. The combined solutions were taken to dryness and analysed by ICP-MS after each catalytic run. Table S2 summarized the ICP-MS results normalized to the initial volume used in the reaction (1.6 mL).

Table S2. Leaching experiments: ICP-MS analysis after each catalytic run.

Catalytic Run	Co content (ppm)	Mo content (ppm)
1	12.4	0.3
2	0.4	< 0.1
3	< 0.1	< 0.1
4	< 0.1	< 0.1
5	< 0.1	< 0.1
6	< 0.1	< 0.1

5. MORPHOLOGICAL CHARACTERIZATION OF REUSED Co-Mo-S CATALYSTS

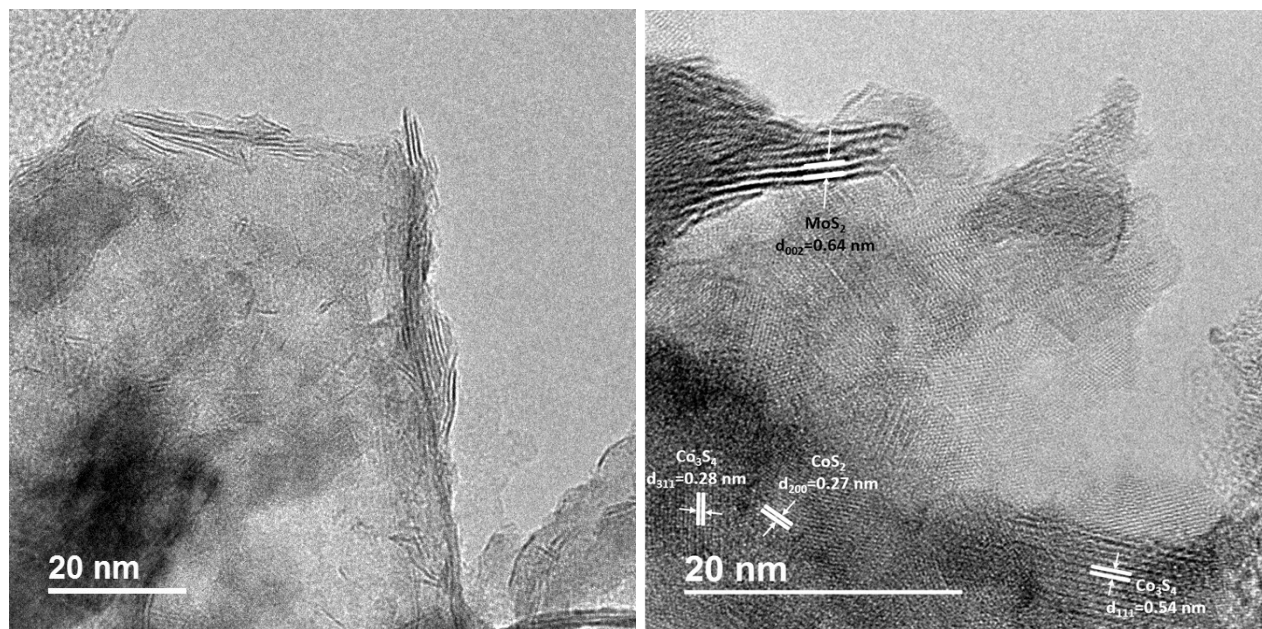


Figure S4. High-resolution transmission electron microscopy micrographs of catalyst Co-Mo-S-0.83.

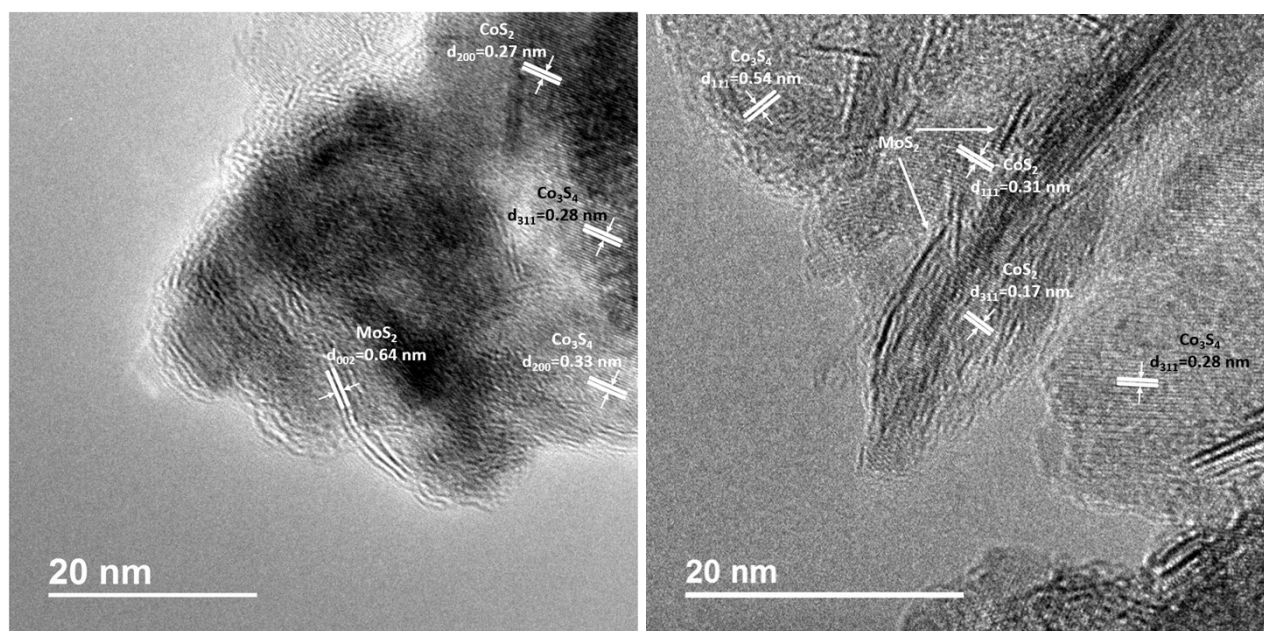


Figure S5. High-resolution transmission electron microscopy micrographs of recycled catalyst Co-Mo-S-0.83 after six runs (Co-Mo-S-0.83-R6) for the alkylation of benzenethiol (**1a**) with benzyl alcohol (**2a**).

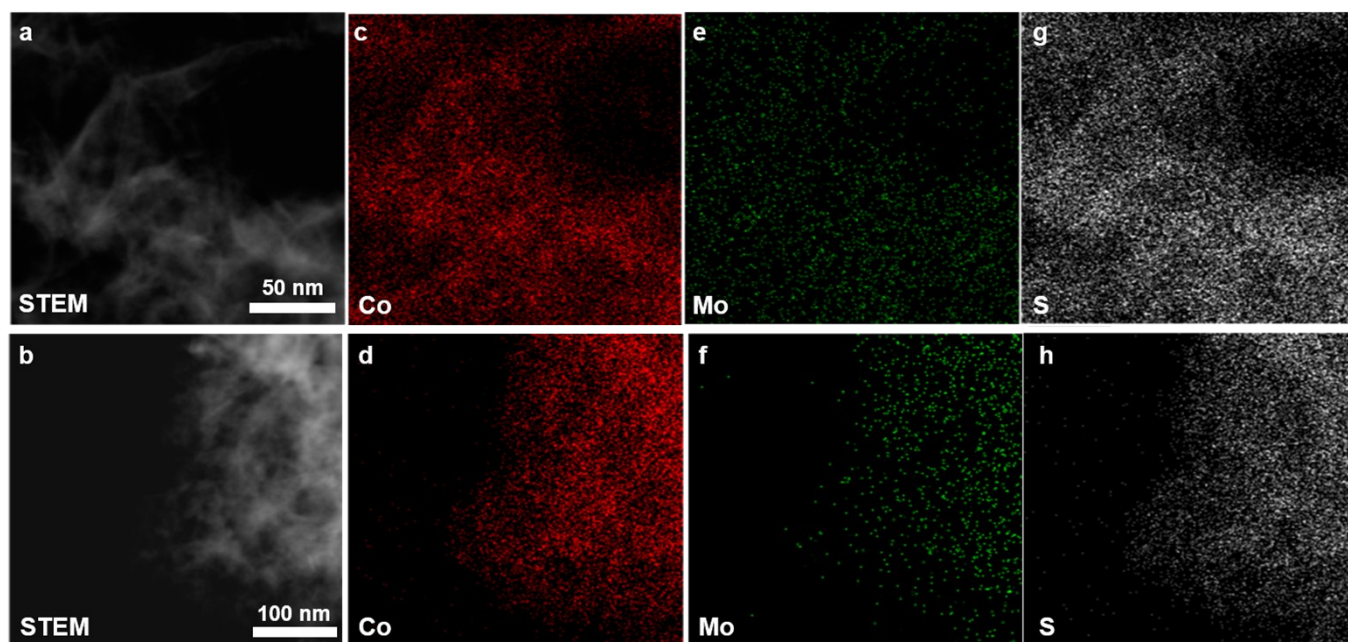


Figure S6. (a-b) STEM-HAADF images of recycled catalyst Co-Mo-S-0.83 after six runs (Co-Mo-S-0.83-R6) for the alkylation of benzenethiol (**1a**) with benzyl alcohol (**2a**). (c-h) Elemental mapping of cobalt, molybdenum and sulphur.

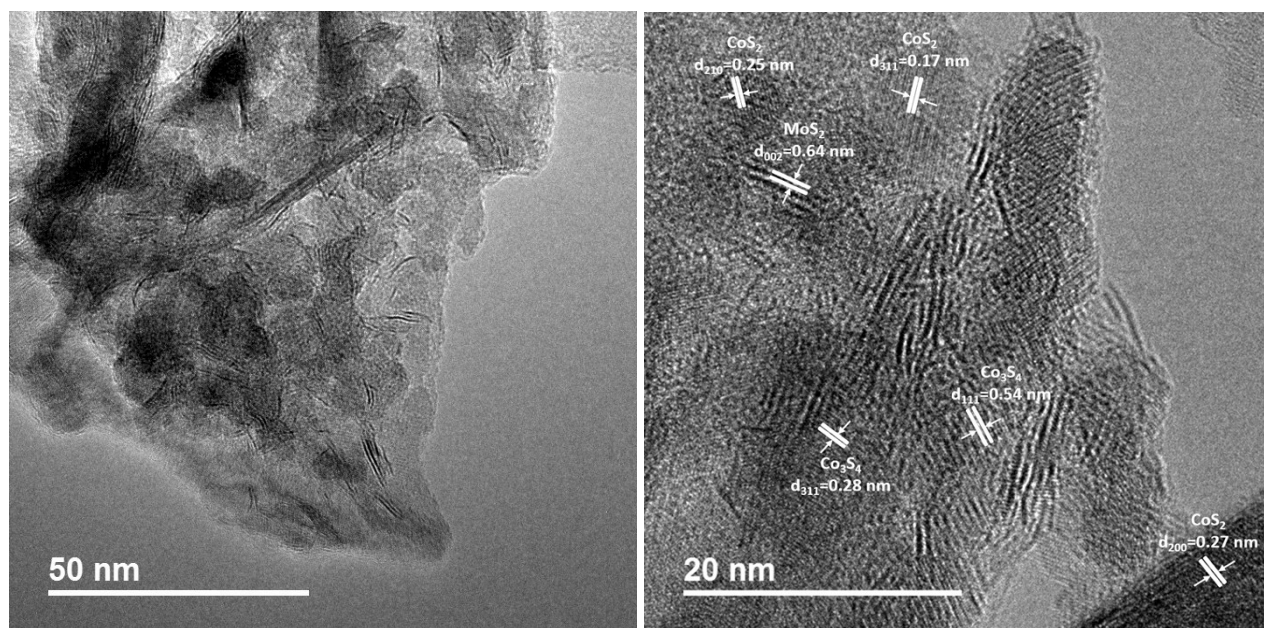


Figure S7. High-resolution transmission electron microscopy micrographs of recycled catalyst Co-Mo-S-0.83 after six runs (Co-Mo-S-0.83-R6-S) for the thioetherification of benzyl alcohol (**2a**) with H₂S.

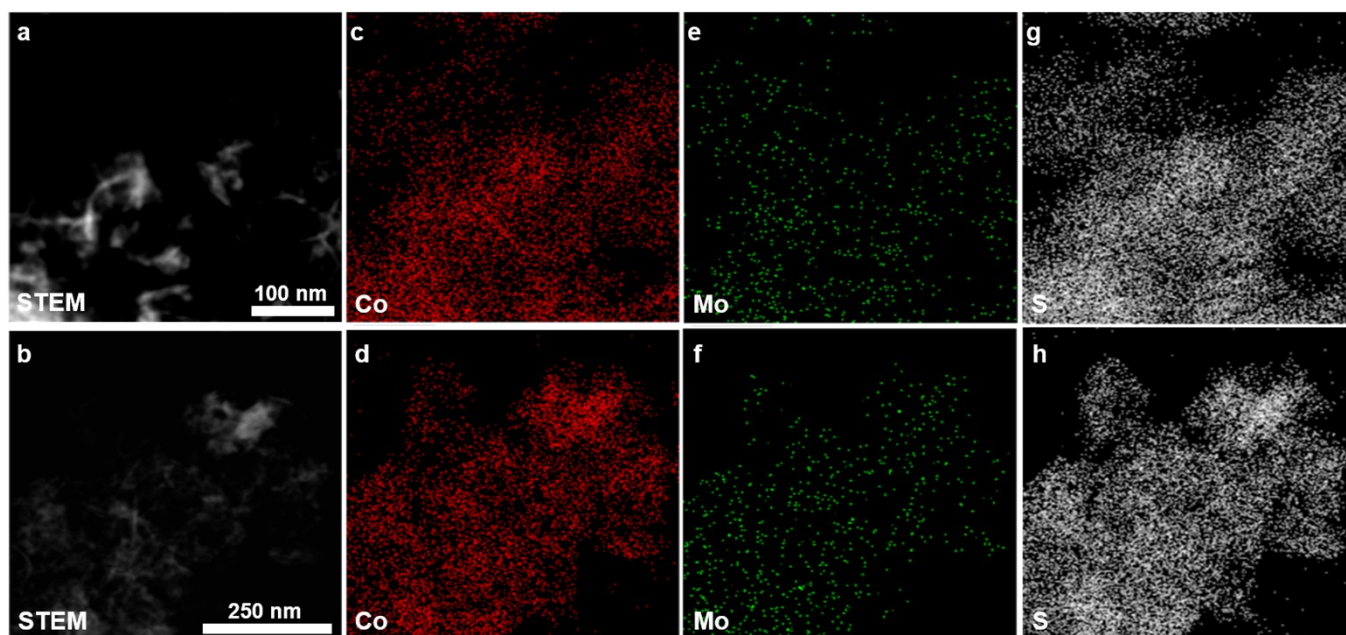
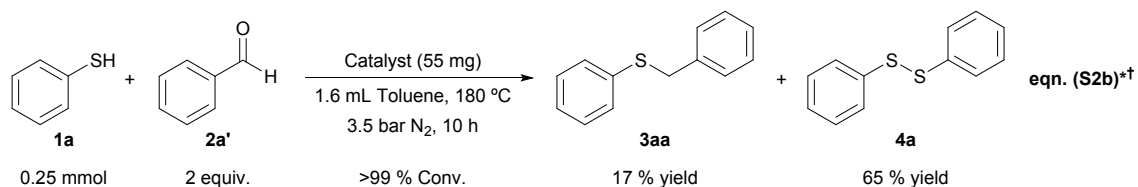
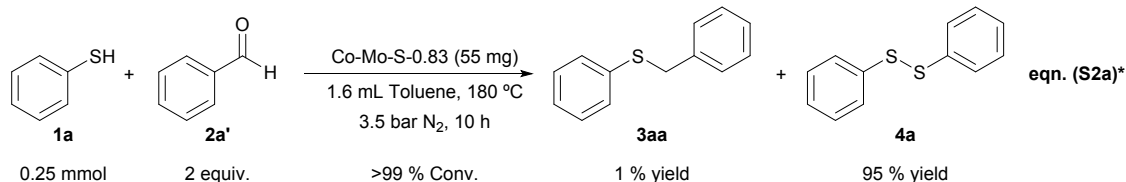
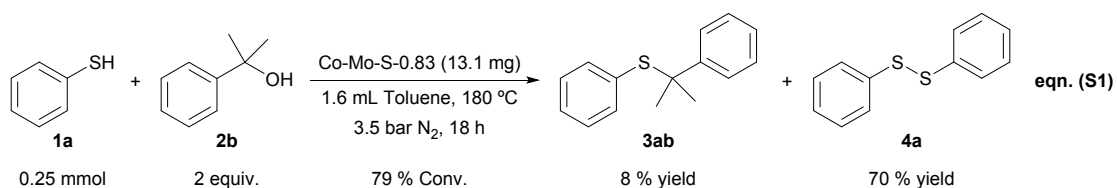


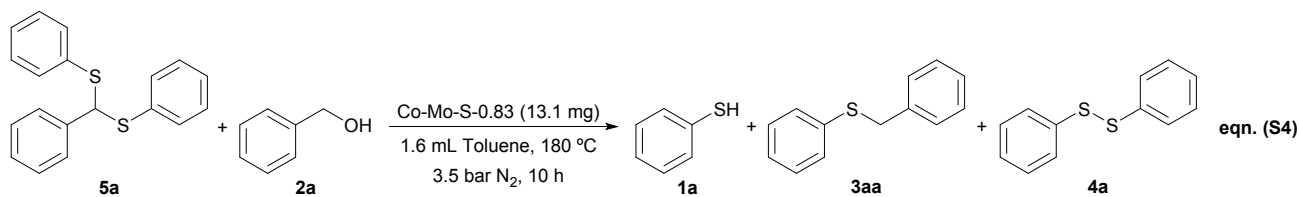
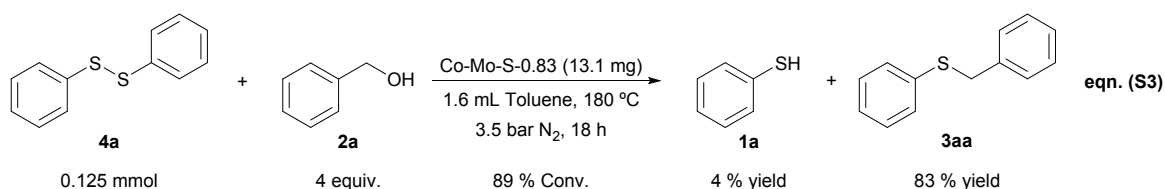
Figure S8. (a-b) STEM-HAADF images of recycled catalyst Co-Mo-S-0.83 after six runs (Co-Mo-S-0.83-R6-S) for the thioetherification of benzyl alcohol (**2a**) with H₂S. (c-h) Elemental mapping of cobalt, molybdenum and sulphur.

6. REACTION PAHTWAY DETERMINATION



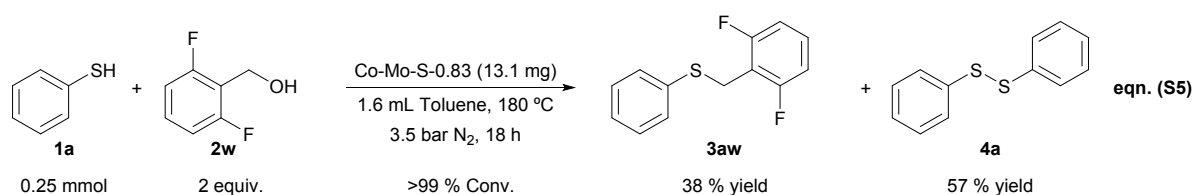
*In both reactions (eqn. S2a and S2b) α,α -bis(phenylthio)toluene (5a) was detected as by-product.

†Catalyst used for this reaction (eqn. S2b) was pre-treated as follows: Catalyst Co-Mo-S-0.83 (55 mg) was reacted with benzylalcohol (2a; 218 μ L) under N₂ atmosphere (3.5 bar) at 180 °C and in the absence of any solvent. After 8 h, catalyst was washed with ethyl acetate, diethyl ether and dry under vacuum.

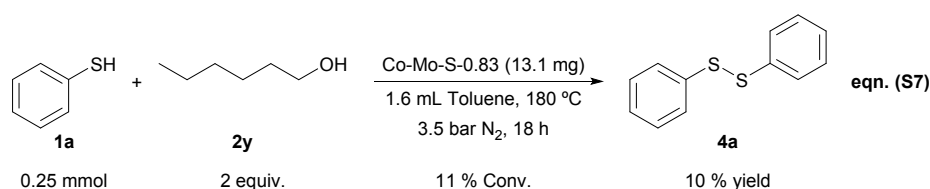
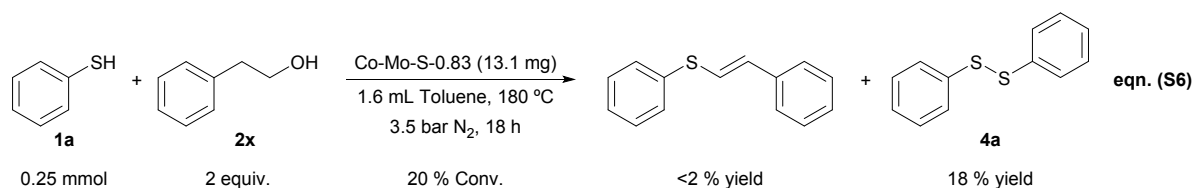


Scheme S1. Control experiments for the reaction pathway determination.

7. EXTENSION OF TABLE 3

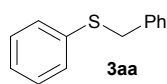


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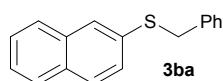


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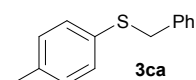
8. CHARACTERIZATION DATA AND EXPERIMENTAL DETAILS OF THE ISOLATED PRODUCTS



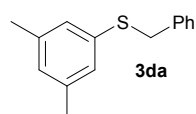
Benzyl(phenyl)sulphane (3aa): Product purified by silica gel column chromatography (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate mixture = 99.5:0.5 → 99:1 → 98:2). Yield: 91 % (The NMR spectrum is consistent with the reported data).² ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.40 – 7.18 (m, 10H), 4.16 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 137.61, 136.53, 129.99, 128.95, 128.60, 127.28, 126.46, 39.21. MS (EI): *m/z* (rel. int.) 200.



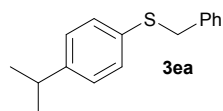
Benzyl(naphthalen-2-yl)sulphane (3ba): Product purified by TLC plate of silica gel (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate mixture = 99.5:0.5 → 99:1). Yield: 85 % (The NMR spectrum is consistent with the reported data).³ ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.62 – 7.54 (m, 1H), 7.54 – 7.37 (m, 3H), 7.31 – 7.16 (m, 3H), 7.16 – 7.08 (m, 2H), 7.13 – 6.96 (m, 3H), 4.01 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 137.72, 134.29, 134.08, 132.25, 129.19, 128.87, 128.65, 128.08, 128.03, 127.57, 127.50, 126.81, 126.07, 39.30. MS (EI): *m/z* (rel. int.) 250.



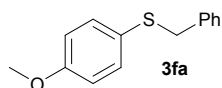
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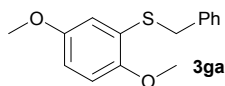
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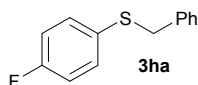
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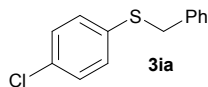
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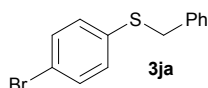
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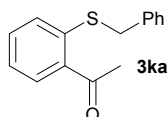
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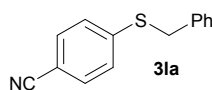
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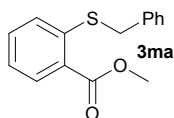
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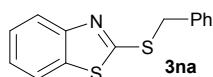
1-(2-(benzylthio)phenyl)ethan-1-one (3ka): Product purified by TLC plate of silica gel (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate mixture = 99.5:0.5 → 99:1 → 98:2 → 90:10). Yield: 92 %. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.63 (dt, *J* = 7.7, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.31 – 7.18 (m, 5H), 7.18 – 7.09 (m, 2H), 7.08 – 6.97 (m, 1H), 3.98 (s, 2H), 2.43 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.55, 140.71, 136.40, 135.83, 132.14, 130.72, 129.17, 128.67, 127.39, 126.98, 124.31, 37.93, 28.55. MS (EI): *m/z* (rel. int.) 242.



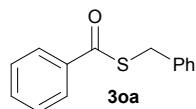
4-(benzylthio)benzonitrile (3la): Product purified by TLC plate of silica gel (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate mixture = 99.5:0.5 → 99:1 → 98:2 → 97:3). Yield: 90 %. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.58 – 7.49 (m, 2H), 7.46 – 7.26 (m, 7H), 4.25 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 144.55, 135.81, 132.29, 128.86, 128.79, 127.79, 127.41, 118.89, 108.65, 37.16. MS (EI): *m/z* (rel. int.) 225.



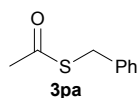
Methyl 2-(benzylthio)benzoate (3ma): Product purified by TLC plate of silica gel (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate mixture = 99.5:0.5 → 99:1 → 98:2 → 97:3). Yield: 89 %. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.89 (ddd, *J* = 12.8, 7.8, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.39 – 7.13 (m, 7H), 7.11 – 6.99 (m, 1H), 4.07 (s, 2H), 3.80 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.91, 141.87, 136.14, 132.35, 131.23, 129.10, 128.61, 128.38, 127.36, 126.08, 124.11, 52.08, 37.38. MS (EI): *m/z* (rel. int.) 258.



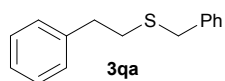
2-(benzylthio)benzo[d]thiazole (3na): Product purified by TLC plate of silica gel (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate mixture = 99.5:0.5 → 99:1 → 98:2). Yield: 82 % (The NMR spectrum is consistent with the reported data).⁹ ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.87 – 7.78 (m, 1H), 7.70 – 7.61 (m, 1H), 7.44 – 7.13 (m, 7H), 4.52 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.65, 153.15, 136.26, 135.38, 129.26, 128.84, 127.90, 126.22, 124.45, 121.65, 121.13, 37.89. MS (EI): *m/z* (rel. int.) 257.



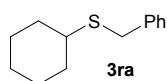
S-benzyl benzothioate (3oa): Product purified by TLC plate of silica gel (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate mixture = 99.5:0.5 → 99:1). Yield: 65 % (The NMR spectrum is consistent with the reported data).¹⁰ ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.77 (dt, *J* = 7.2, 1.4 Hz, 2H), 7.42 – 7.31 (m, 1H), 7.30 – 6.97 (m, 7H), 4.13 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.42, 137.60, 136.91, 133.57, 129.11, 128.78, 128.76, 127.46, 127.43, 33.46. MS (EI): *m/z* (rel. int.) 228.



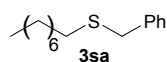
S-benzyl ethanethioate (3pa): Product purified by TLC plate of silica gel (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate mixture = 99.5:0.5 → 99:1). Yield: 45 % (The NMR spectrum is consistent with the reported data).¹¹ ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.24 – 7.10 (m, 5H), 4.02 (s, 2H), 2.24 (d, *J* = 0.8 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 195.29, 137.73, 128.94, 128.77, 127.41, 33.59, 30.47. MS (EI): *m/z* (rel. int.) 166.



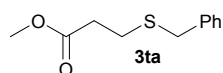
Benzyl(phenethyl)sulphane (3qa): Product purified by TLC plate of silica gel (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate mixture = 99.5:0.5). Yield: 89 % (The NMR spectrum is consistent with the reported data).¹² ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.35 – 7.12 (m, 8H), 7.16 – 7.07 (m, 2H), 3.68 (s, 2H), 2.80 (dd, *J* = 9.7, 6.5 Hz, 2H), 2.63 (dd, *J* = 9.1, 6.0 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 140.66, 138.53, 129.00, 128.62, 128.56, 127.11, 126.44, 36.57, 36.16, 32.90. MS (EI): *m/z* (rel. int.) 228.



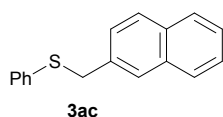
Benzyl(cyclohexyl)sulphane (3ra): Product purified by TLC plate of silica gel (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate mixture = 99.5:0.5 → 99:1). Yield: 78 % (The NMR spectrum is consistent with the reported data).¹² ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.27 – 7.06 (m, 5H), 3.70 – 3.60 (m, 2H), 2.46 (dtq, *J* = 11.1, 7.9, 3.3 Hz, 1H), 1.87 (d, *J* = 11.4 Hz, 2H), 1.72 – 1.58 (m, 2H), 1.22 – 1.10 (m, 6H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 139.09, 128.87, 128.55, 126.88, 43.06, 34.73, 33.51, 26.11, 26.00. MS (EI): *m/z* (rel. int.) 206.



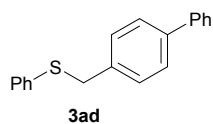
Benzyl(octyl)sulphane (3sa): Product purified by TLC plate of silica gel (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate mixture = 99.5:0.5). Yield: 70 % (The NMR spectrum is consistent with the reported data).¹³ ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.37 – 7.16 (m, 5H), 3.72 (s, 2H), 2.43 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 1.65 – 1.49 (m, 2H), 1.29 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 10H), 0.90 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 138.85, 128.96, 128.56, 126.98, 36.48, 31.95, 31.58, 29.39, 29.32, 29.30, 29.03, 22.78, 14.22. MS (EI): *m/z* (rel. int.) 236.



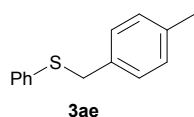
methyl 3-(benzylthio)propanoate (3ta): Product purified by TLC plate of silica gel (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate mixture = 99.5:0.5 → 99:1 → 98:2). Yield: 83 % (The NMR spectrum is consistent with the reported data).¹⁴ ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.30 – 7.07 (m, 5H), 3.65 (s, 2H), 3.59 (s, 3H), 2.60 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 2.54 – 2.41 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 172.43, 138.18, 128.95, 128.67, 127.21, 77.58, 77.16, 76.74, 51.88, 36.45, 34.43, 26.35. MS (EI): *m/z* (rel. int.) 210.



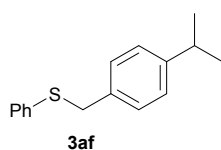
(Naphthalen-2-ylmethyl)(phenyl)sulphane (3ac): Product purified by TLC plate of silica gel (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate mixture = 99.5:0.5 → 99:1 → 98:2). Yield: 88 % (The NMR spectrum is consistent with the reported data).³ ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.70 – 7.57 (m, 3H), 7.52 (s, 1H), 7.36 – 7.23 (m, 3H), 7.22 – 6.96 (m, 5H), 4.11 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 136.36, 135.01, 133.42, 132.70, 130.12, 128.97, 128.41, 127.82, 127.77, 127.52, 127.09, 126.55, 126.24, 125.93, 39.53. MS (EI): *m/z* (rel. int.) 250.



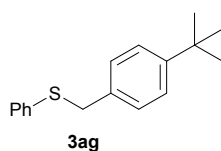
([1,1'-Biphenyl]-4-ylmethyl)(phenyl)sulphane (3ad): Product purified by TLC plate of silica gel (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate mixture = 99.5:0.5 → 99:1 → 98:2). Yield: 89 % (The NMR spectrum is consistent with the reported data).¹⁵ ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.57 – 7.38 (m, 4H), 7.38 – 7.02 (m, 10H), 4.07 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 140.87, 140.22, 136.70, 136.50, 130.04, 129.36, 129.00, 128.89, 127.41, 127.34, 127.15, 126.53, 38.94. MS (EI): *m/z* (rel. int.) 276.



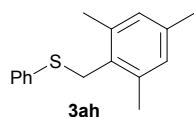
(4-Methylbenzyl)(phenyl)sulphane (3ae): Product purified by TLC plate of silica gel (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate mixture = 99.5:0.5 → 99:1). Yield: 96 % (The NMR spectrum is consistent with the reported data).⁴ ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.35 – 7.11 (m, 7H), 7.08 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 4.08 (s, 2H), 2.30 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 136.93, 136.79, 134.44, 129.73, 129.30, 128.92, 128.82, 126.30, 38.80, 21.22. MS (EI): *m/z* (rel. int.) 214.



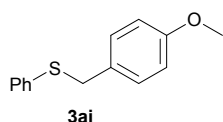
(4-Isopropylbenzyl)(phenyl)sulphane (3af): Product purified by TLC plate of silica gel (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate mixture = 99.5:0.5 → 99:1). Yield: 95 %. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.34 – 6.94 (m, 9H), 4.02 (s, 2H), 2.79 (hept, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 1.15 (dd, *J* = 6.9, 0.7 Hz, 6H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 148.00, 136.98, 134.76, 129.59, 128.94, 128.89, 126.71, 126.25, 38.77, 33.91, 24.10. MS (EI): *m/z* (rel. int.) 242.



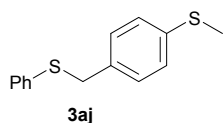
(4-(tert-Butyl)benzyl)(phenyl)sulphane (3ag): Product purified by TLC plate of silica gel (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate mixture = 99.5:0.5 → 99:1). Yield: 91 % (The NMR spectrum is consistent with the reported data).¹⁶ ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.30 – 7.21 (m, 4H), 7.21 – 7.12 (m, 4H), 7.12 – 7.03 (m, 1H), 4.03 (s, 2H), 1.22 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 150.30, 137.05, 134.39, 129.52, 128.95, 128.63, 126.24, 125.59, 38.63, 34.63, 31.48. MS (EI): *m/z* (rel. int.) 256.



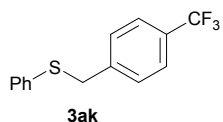
Phenyl(2,4,6-trimethylbenzyl)sulphane (3ah): Product purified by TLC plate of silica gel (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate mixture = 99.5:0.5). Yield: 82 % (The NMR spectrum is consistent with the reported data).³ ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.35 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.26 – 7.18 (m, 2H), 7.17 – 7.07 (m, 1H), 6.77 (s, 2H), 4.06 (s, 2H), 2.27 (s, 6H), 2.18 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 137.73, 137.37, 137.00, 130.03, 129.87, 129.18, 128.99, 126.30, 33.83, 21.08, 19.65. MS (EI): *m/z* (rel. int.) 242.



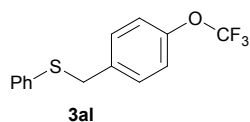
(4-Methoxybenzyl)(phenyl)sulphane (3ai): Product purified by TLC plate of silica gel (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate mixture = 99.5:0.5 → 99:1 → 98:2). Yield: 84 % (The NMR spectrum is consistent with the reported data).⁶ ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.37 – 7.12 (m, 7H), 6.86 – 6.75 (m, 2H), 4.07 (s, 2H), 3.76 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.89, 136.69, 130.03, 129.88, 129.50, 128.92, 126.35, 114.02, 55.35, 38.56. MS (EI): *m/z* (rel. int.) 230.



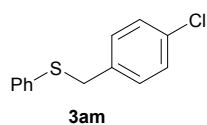
Methyl(4-((phenylthio)methyl)phenyl)sulphane (3aj): Product purified by TLC plate of silica gel (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate mixture = 99.5:0.5 → 99:1 → 98:2). Yield: 81 %. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.34 – 7.11 (m, 9H), 4.06 (s, 2H), 2.45 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 137.39, 136.35, 134.52, 130.10, 129.40, 128.98, 126.88, 126.55, 38.82, 16.05. MS (EI): *m/z* (rel. int.) 246.



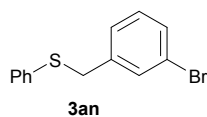
Phenyl(4-(trifluoromethyl)benzyl)sulphane (3ak): Product purified by TLC plate of silica gel (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate mixture = 99.5:0.5). Yield: 51 % (The NMR spectrum is consistent with the reported data).⁸ ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.53 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.37 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.34 – 7.15 (m, 5H), 4.13 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 142.01, 135.50, 130.61, [130.21, 129.77, 129.35, 128.92 (q, ²*J*_{C-F} = 32.5 Hz)], [129.68, 126.08, 122.48, 118.87 (q, ¹*J*_{C-F} = 271.6 Hz)], 129.22, 129.13, 127.03, [125.63, 125.58, 125.53, 125.48 (q, ³*J*_{C-F} = 3.8 Hz)], 39.02. MS (EI): *m/z* (rel. int.) 268.



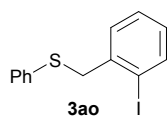
Phenyl(4-(trifluoromethoxy)benzyl)sulphane (3al): Product purified by TLC plate of silica gel (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate mixture = 99.5:0.5). Yield: 80 %. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.28 – 7.11 (m, 7H), 7.11 – 7.01 (m, 2H), 4.03 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 148.45, 136.53, 135.78, 130.48, 130.28, 129.08, 126.89, 121.08, [125.72, 122.31, 118.91, 115.50 (q, ¹J_{C-F} = 257.1 Hz)], 38.63. MS (EI): *m/z* (rel. int.) 284.



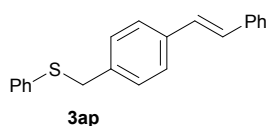
(4-Chlorobenzyl)(phenyl)sulphane (3am): Product purified by TLC plate of silica gel (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate mixture = 99.5:0.5). Yield: 93 % (The NMR spectrum is consistent with the reported data).⁸ ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.31 – 7.12 (m, 9H), 4.03 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 136.28, 135.81, 133.06, 130.40, 130.24, 129.04, 128.72, 126.80, 38.68. MS (EI): *m/z* (rel. int.) 235.



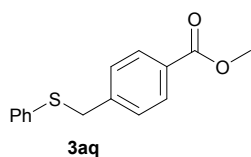
(3-Bromobenzyl)(phenyl)sulphane (3an): Product purified by TLC plate of silica gel (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate mixture = 99.5:0.5). Yield: 76 %. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.50 (t, *J* = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.47 – 7.13 (m, 8H), 4.12 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 140.08, 135.71, 131.94, 130.47, 130.39, 130.08, 129.06, 127.52, 126.89, 122.56, 38.85. MS (EI): *m/z* (rel. int.) 279.



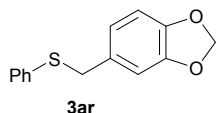
(2-Iodobenzyl)(phenyl)sulphane (3ao): Product purified by TLC plate of silica gel (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate mixture = 99.5:0.5 → 99:1). Yield: 73 %. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.92 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.48 – 7.21 (m, 7H), 6.99 (ddd, *J* = 7.8, 5.6, 3.4 Hz, 1H), 4.27 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 140.02, 139.81, 135.75, 130.93, 130.14, 129.00, 128.39, 126.91, 100.72, 44.83. MS (EI): *m/z* (rel. int.) 326.



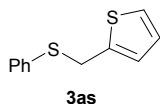
(E)-phenyl(4-styrylbenzyl)sulphane (3ap): Product purified by TLC plate of silica gel (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate mixture = 99.5:0.5 → 99:1 → 98:2 → 97:3). Yield: 79 %. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.45 – 7.32 (m, 4H), 7.28 – 7.09 (m, 10H), 6.99 (s, 2H), 4.03 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 137.45, 137.09, 136.46, 136.37, 130.19, 129.30, 128.99, 128.81, 128.40, 127.76, 127.04, 126.75, 126.63, 126.57, 39.11. MS (EI): *m/z* (rel. int.) 302.



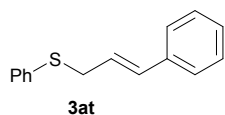
Methyl 4-((phenylthio)methyl)benzoate (3aq): Product purified by TLC plate of silica gel (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate mixture = 99.5:0.5 → 99:1 → 98:2 →→ 95:5). Yield: 86 % (The NMR spectrum is consistent with the reported data).¹⁷ ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.91 – 7.79 (m, 2H), 7.28 – 7.05 (m, 7H), 4.03 (s, 2H), 3.81 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.95, 143.14, 135.51, 130.62, 129.88, 129.10, 129.03, 128.91, 126.93, 52.17, 39.20. MS (EI): *m/z* (rel. int.) 258.



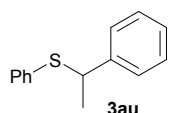
5-((Phenylthio)methyl)benzo[d][1,3]dioxole (3ar): Product purified by TLC plate of silica gel (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate mixture = 99.5:0.5 → 99:1). Yield: 86 % (The NMR spectrum is consistent with the reported data).¹⁸ ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.24 (qt, *J* = 4.9, 2.3 Hz, 3H), 7.21 – 7.07 (m, 2H), 6.77 (d, *J* = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 6.65 (d, *J* = 1.7 Hz, 2H), 5.87 (s, 2H), 3.99 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 147.86, 146.87, 136.42, 131.31, 130.00, 128.96, 126.49, 122.16, 109.32, 108.20, 101.14, 39.16. MS (EI): *m/z* (rel. int.) 244.



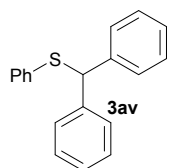
2-((Phenylthio)methyl)thiophene (3as): Product purified by TLC plate of silica gel (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate mixture = 99.5:0.5). Yield: 81 % (The NMR spectrum is consistent with the reported data).⁸ ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.31 – 7.23 (m, 2H), 7.23 – 7.04 (m, 4H), 6.87 – 6.75 (m, 2H), 4.22 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 140.98, 135.81, 130.47, 129.02, 126.87, 126.83, 126.35, 125.04, 33.88. MS (EI): *m/z* (rel. int.) 206.



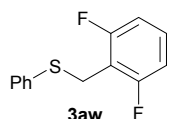
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Phenyl(1-phenylethyl)sulphane (3au): Product purified by TLC plate of silica gel (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate mixture = 99.5:0.5 → 99:1). Yield: 81 % (The NMR spectrum is consistent with the reported data).³ ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.32 – 7.23 (m, 5H), 7.18 (dtd, *J* = 9.1, 4.1, 2.5 Hz, 5H), 4.31 (q, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 1.60 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 143.36, 135.27, 132.62, 128.80, 128.51, 127.40, 127.25, 127.23, 48.14, 22.46. MS (EI): *m/z* (rel. int.) 214.

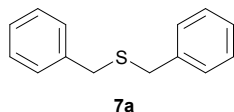


Benzhydryl(phenyl)sulphane (3av): Product purified by TLC plate of silica gel (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate mixture = 99.5:0.5 → 99:1). Yield: 82 % (The NMR spectrum is consistent with the reported data).³ ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.38 – 7.28 (m, 4H), 7.26 – 6.96 (m, 11H), 5.46 (s, 1H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 141.17, 136.28, 130.71, 128.85, 128.67, 128.56, 127.37, 126.72, 57.63. MS (EI): *m/z* (rel. int.) 276.

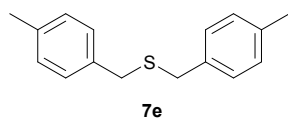


(2,6-Difluorobenzyl)(phenyl)sulphane (3aw): Product purified by TLC plate of silica gel (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate mixture = 99.5:0.5 → 99:1). Yield: 38 % (The NMR spectrum is consistent with the reported data).⁷ ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.35 (dq, *J* = 6.6, 3.0, 2.5 Hz, 2H), 7.28 – 7.18 (m, 3H), 7.14 (tt, *J* = 8.4, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 6.86 – 6.72 (m, 2H), 4.09 (d, *J* = 1.3 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ [163.07, 162.97, 159.77, 159.66 (dd, ¹*J*_{C-F} = 249.5, 7.8 Hz)], 135.20, 132.00, [129.06, 128.92, 128.79 (t,

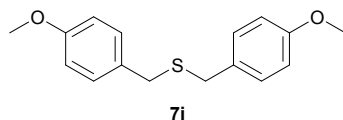
$^3J_{C-F} = 10.2$ Hz)], 128.96, 127.44, [114.80, 114.55, 114.29 (t, $^2J_{C-F} = 19.2$ Hz)], [111.50, 111.48, 111.40, 111.26, 111.18, 111.16 (m)], [26.98, 26.94, 26.91 (t, $^3J_{C-F} = 2.6$ Hz)]. MS (EI): m/z (rel. int.) 236.



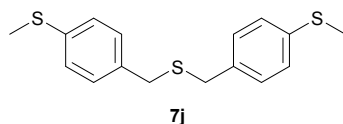
Dibenzyl sulphide (7a): Product purified by silica gel column chromatography (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate mixture = 99.5:0.5 → 99:1 → 98:2). Yield: 66 % (The NMR spectrum is consistent with the reported data).²⁰ ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.46 – 7.26 (m, 10H), 3.68 (s, 4H). ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 138.28, 129.12, 128.59, 127.08, 35.76. MS (EI): m/z (rel. int.) 214.



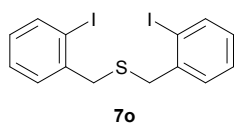
Bis(4-methylbenzyl)sulphane (7e): Product purified by TLC plate of silica gel (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate mixture = 99.5:0.5 → 99:1). Yield: 75 % (The NMR spectrum is consistent with the reported data).²¹ ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.26 – 7.07 (m, 8H), 3.57 (s, 4H), 2.34 (s, 6H). ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 136.66, 135.28, 129.27, 129.03, 35.43, 21.23. MS (EI): m/z (rel. int.) 242.



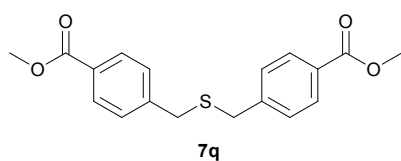
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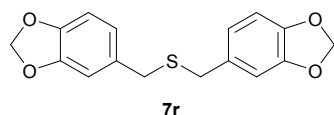
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Bis(2-iodobenzyl)sulphane (7o): Product purified by TLC plate of silica gel (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate mixture = 99.5:0.5 → 99:1 → 98:2). Yield: 54 % (The NMR spectrum is consistent with the reported data).²¹ ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.76 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 7.33 – 7.16 (m, 4H), 6.85 (td, *J* = 7.6, 1.9 Hz, 2H), 3.72 (s, 4H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 140.28, 139.84, 130.10, 128.78, 128.35, 100.86, 41.46. MS (EI): *m/z* (rel. int.) 466.



Dimethyl 4,4'-(thiobis(methylene))dibenzoate (7q): Product purified by TLC plate of silica gel (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate mixture = 99.5:0.5 → 99:1 → 98:2 →→ 90:10). Yield: 56 %. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.91 (dq, *J* = 8.4, 1.9 Hz, 4H), 7.30 – 7.13 (m, 4H), 3.84 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 6H), 3.54 (d, *J* = 1.7 Hz, 4H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.96, 143.28, 129.99, 129.50, 129.13, 52.26, 35.45. MS (EI): *m/z* (rel. int.) 330.



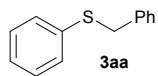
Bis(benzo[d][1,3]dioxol-5-ylmethyl)sulphane (7r): Product purified by TLC plate of silica gel (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate mixture 99.5:0.5 → 99:1 → 98:2 →→ 96:4). Yield: 70 %. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.82 (d, *J* = 1.6 Hz, 2H), 6.78 – 6.65 (m, 4H), 5.95 (s, 4H), 3.53 (s, 4H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 147.81, 146.59, 131.91, 122.10, 109.28, 107.95, 101.00, 35.50. MS (EI): *m/z* (rel. int.) 302.

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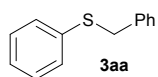
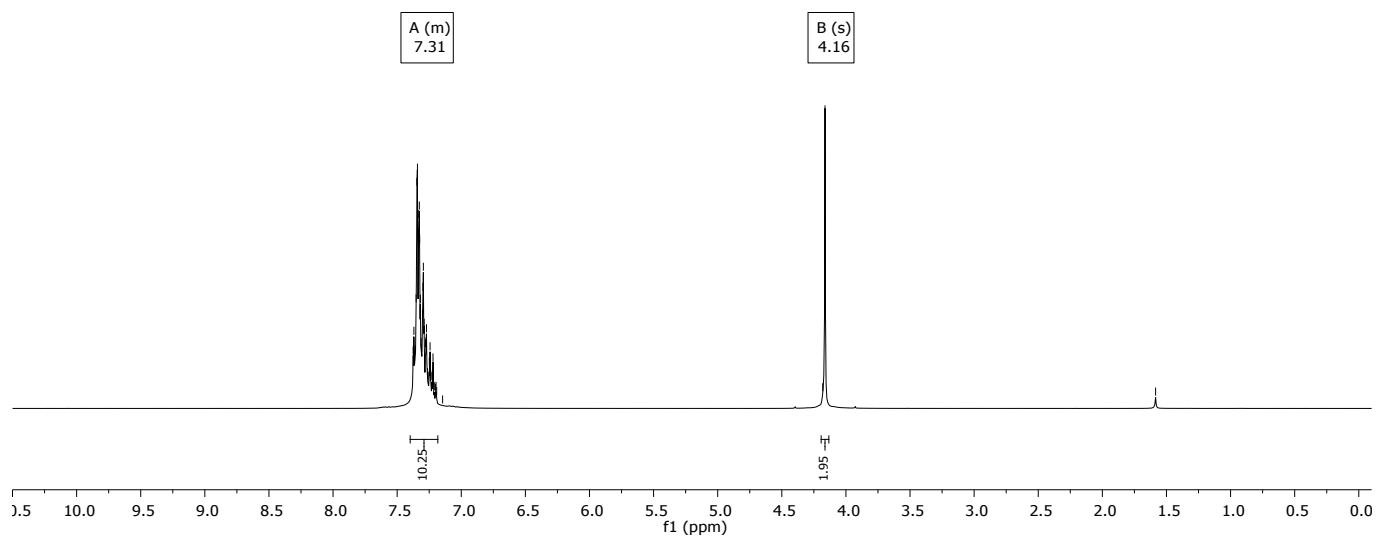
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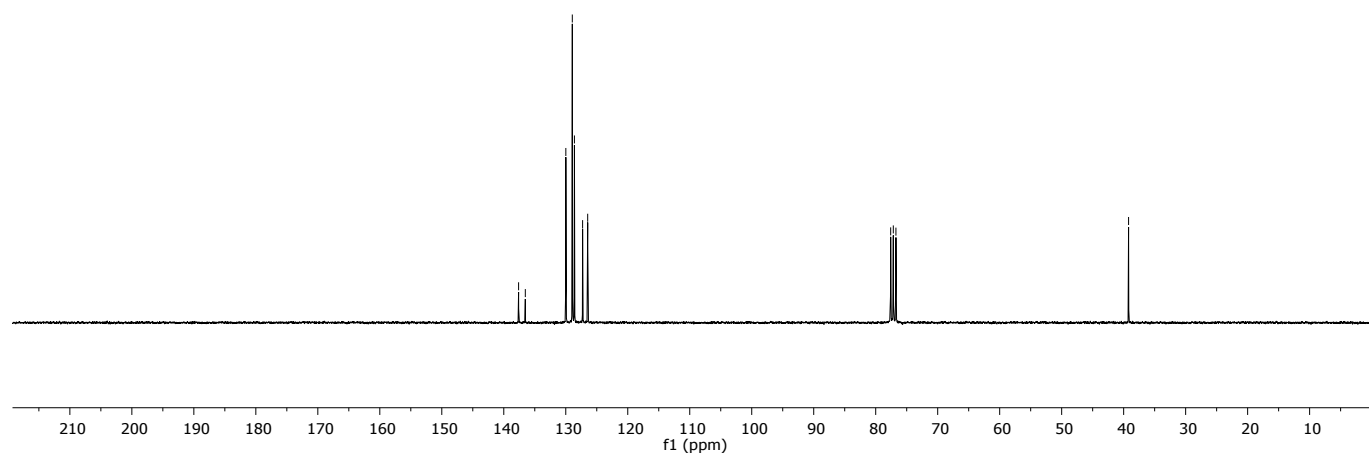
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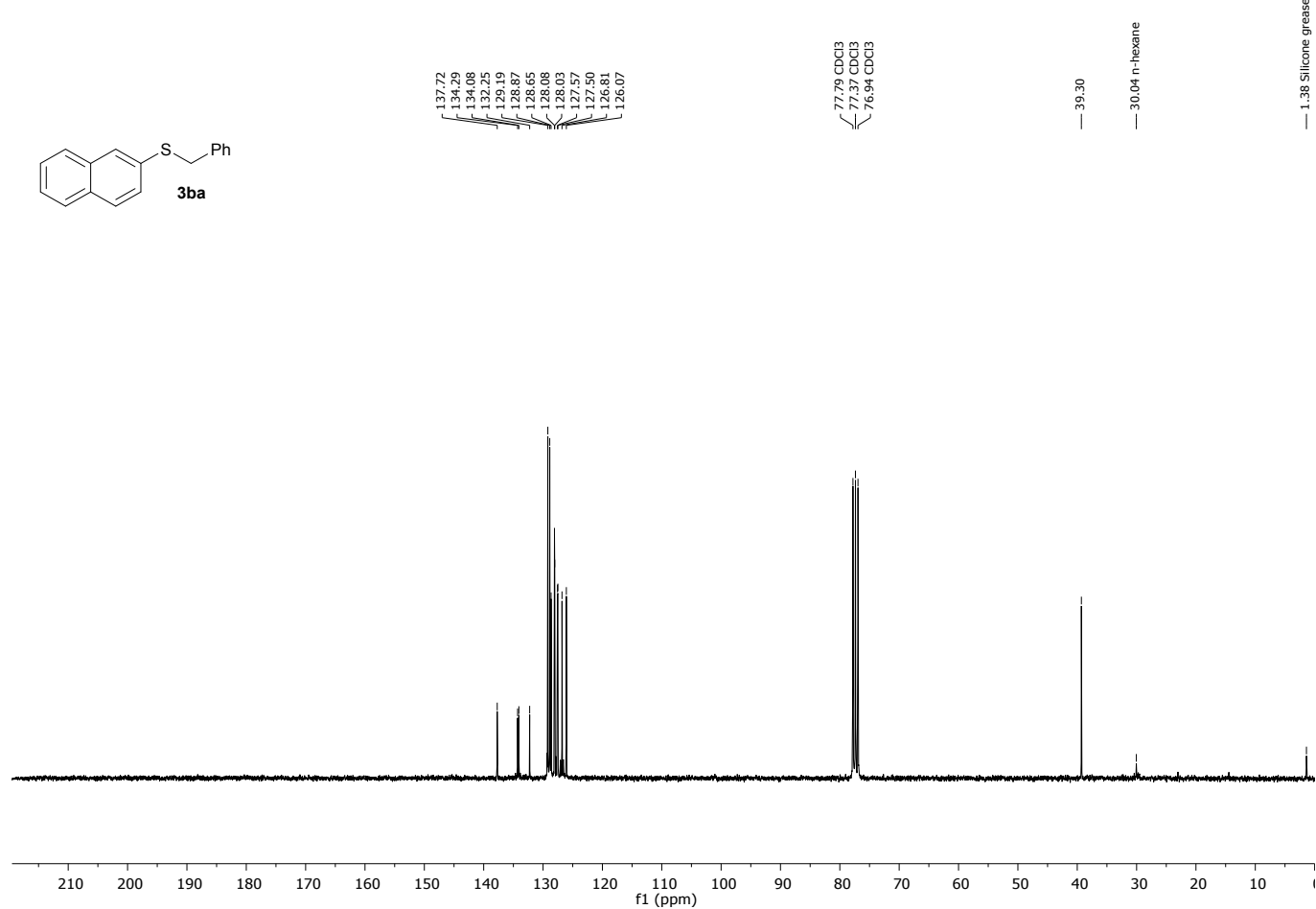
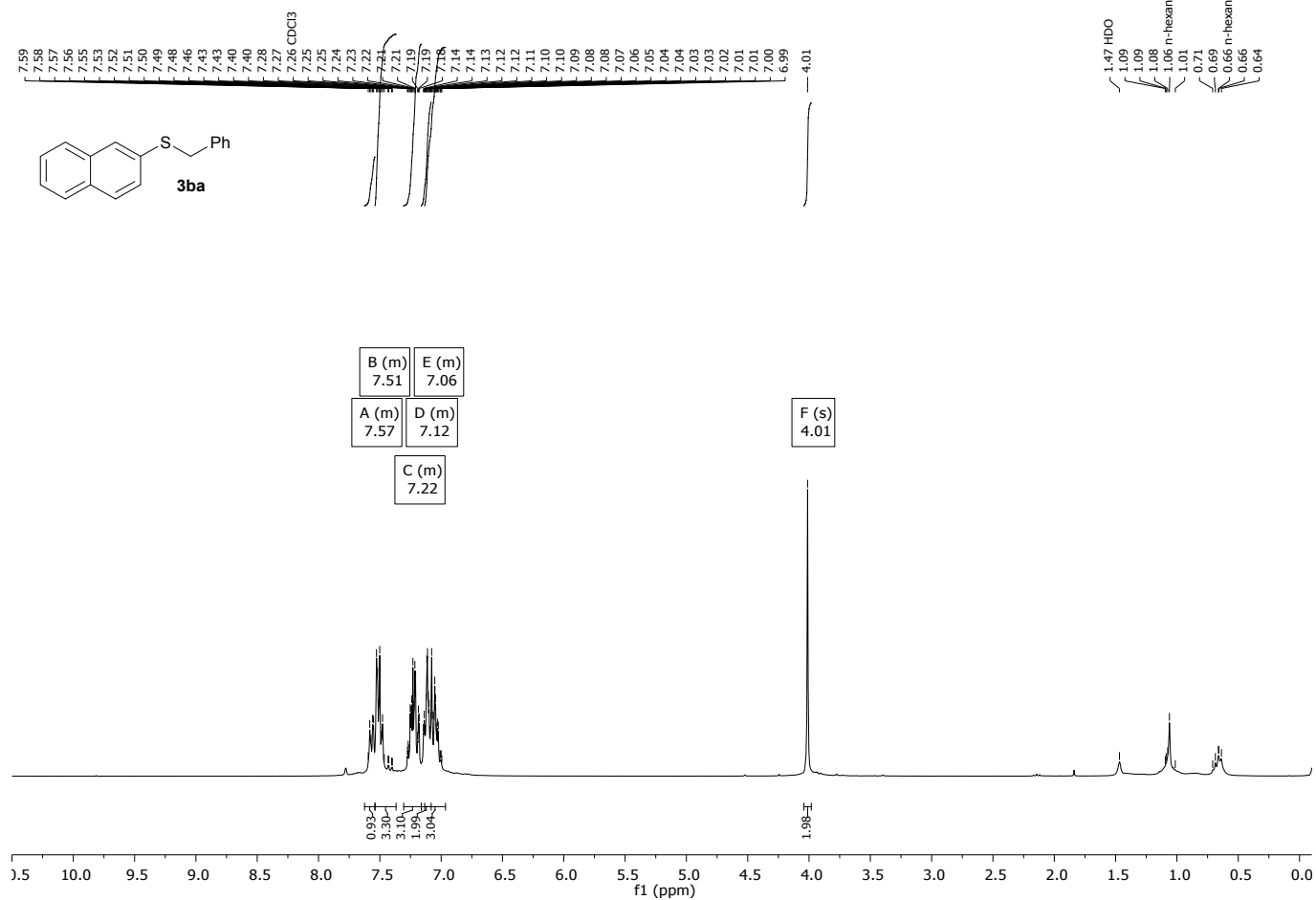


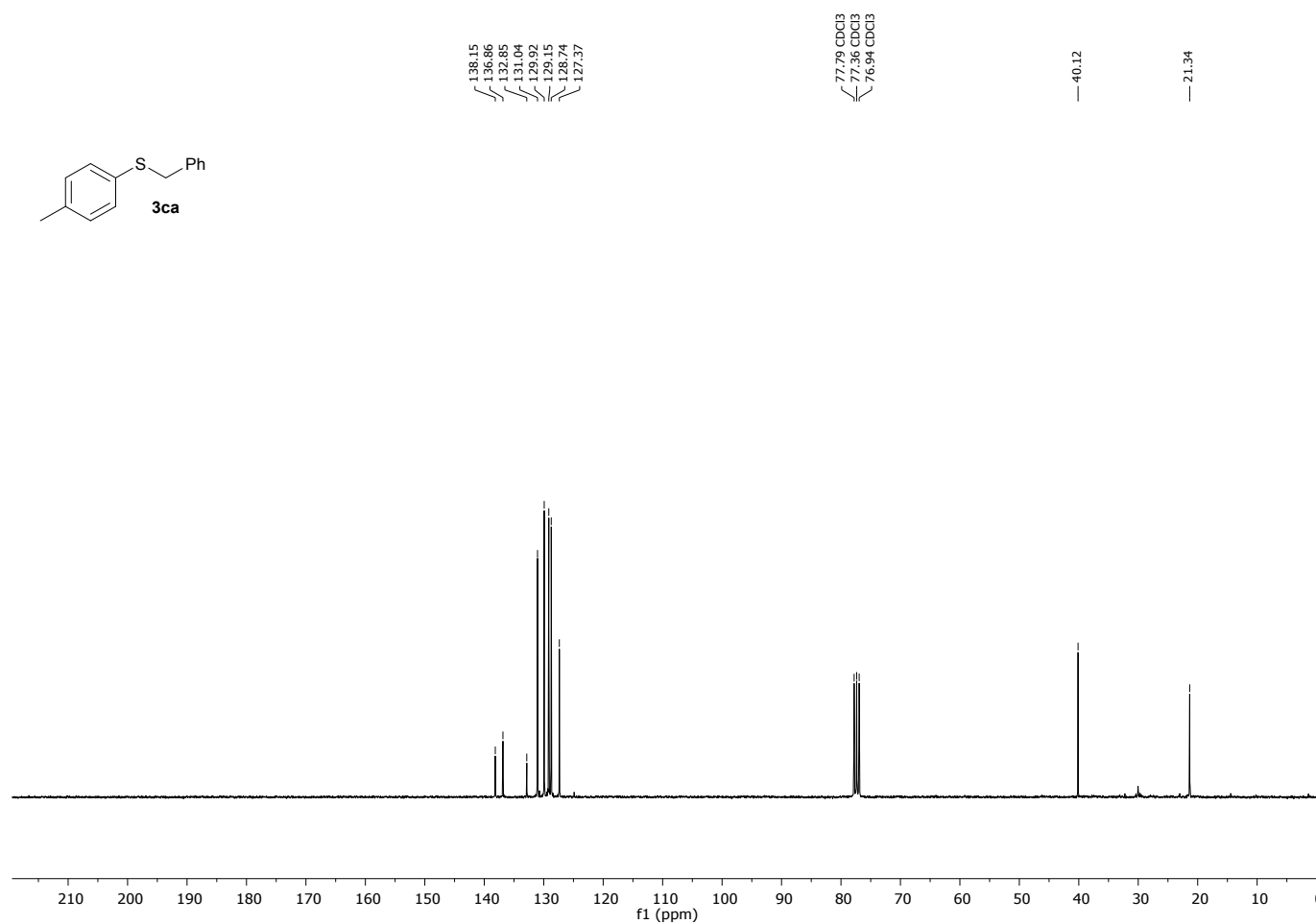
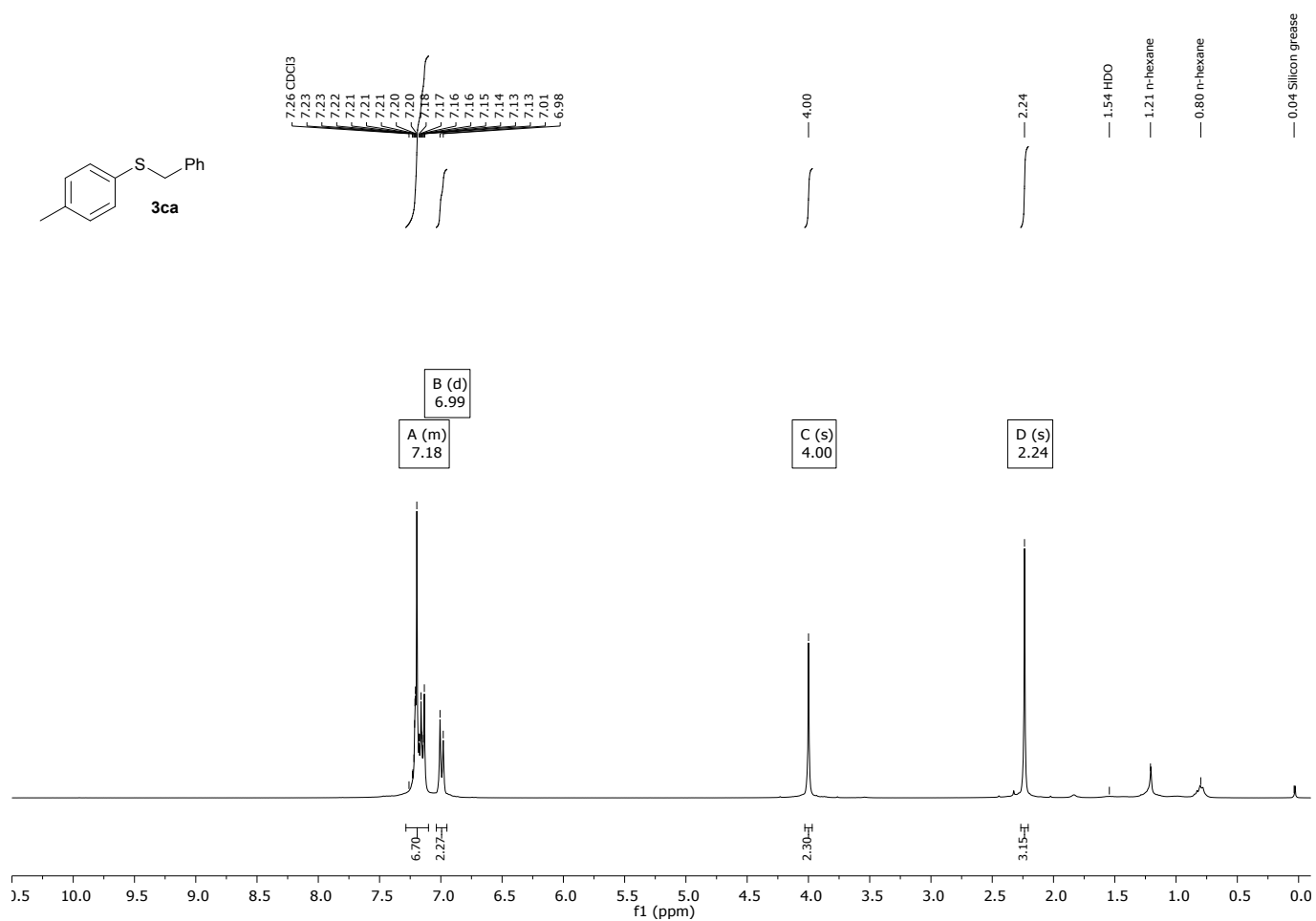
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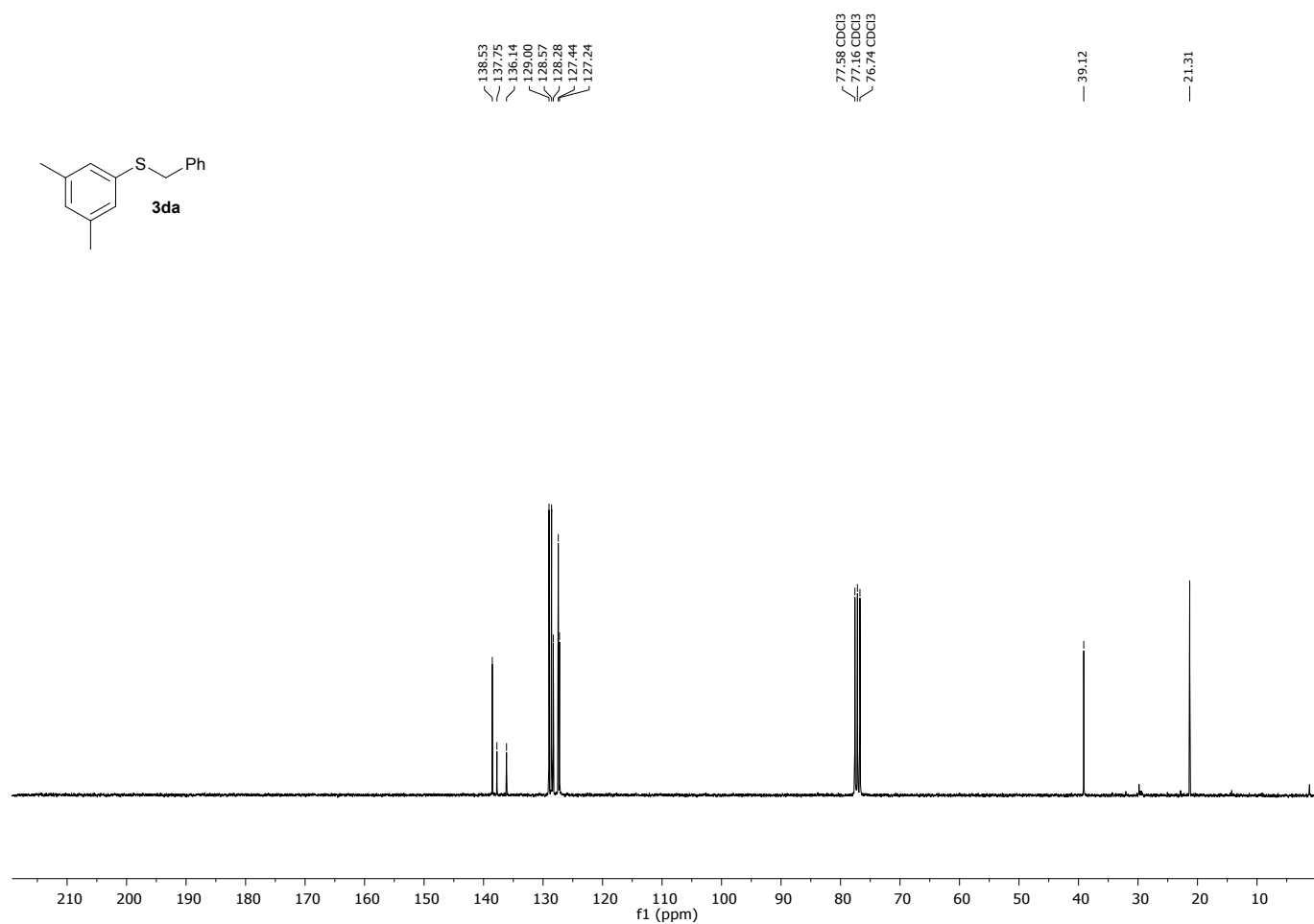
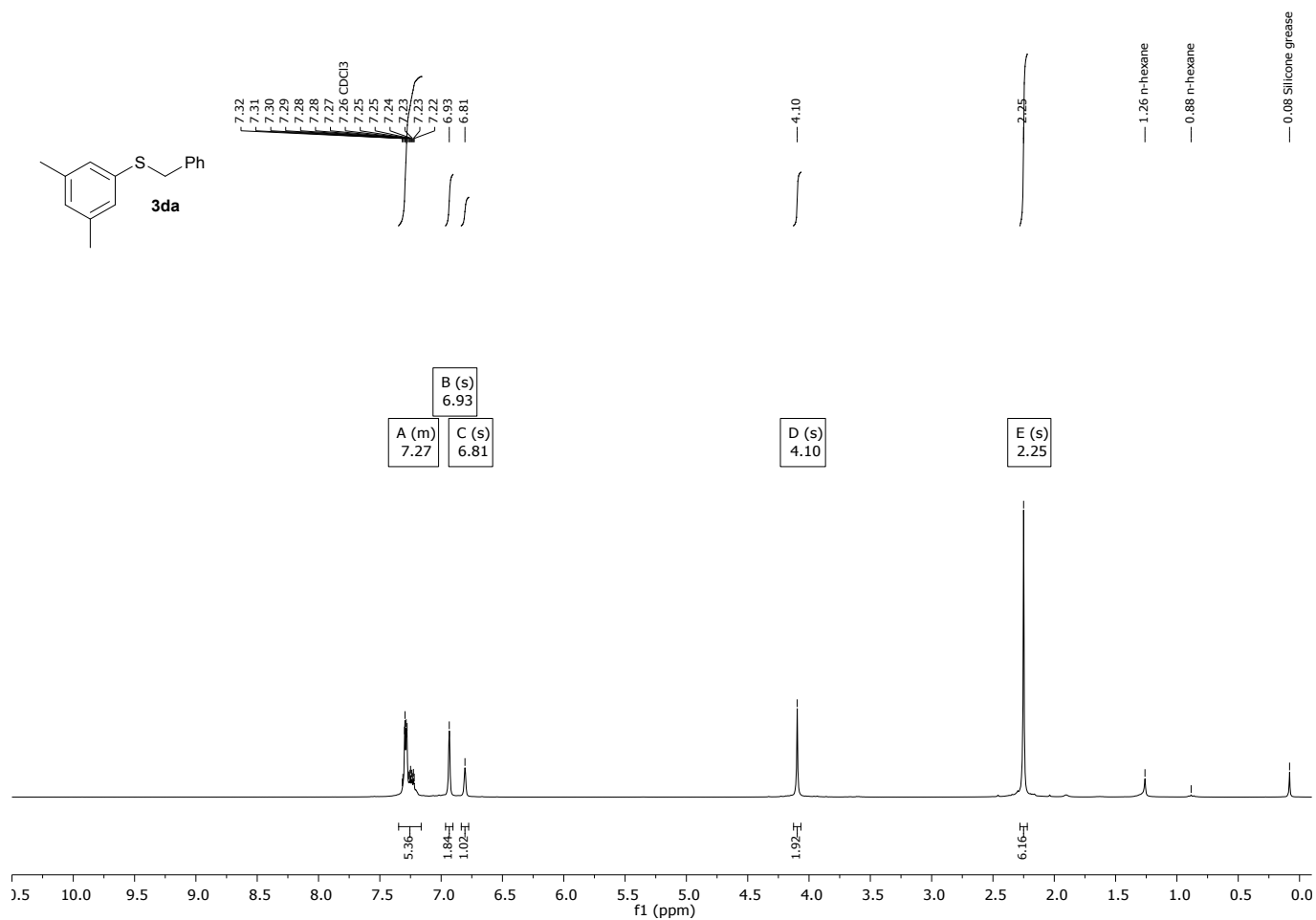
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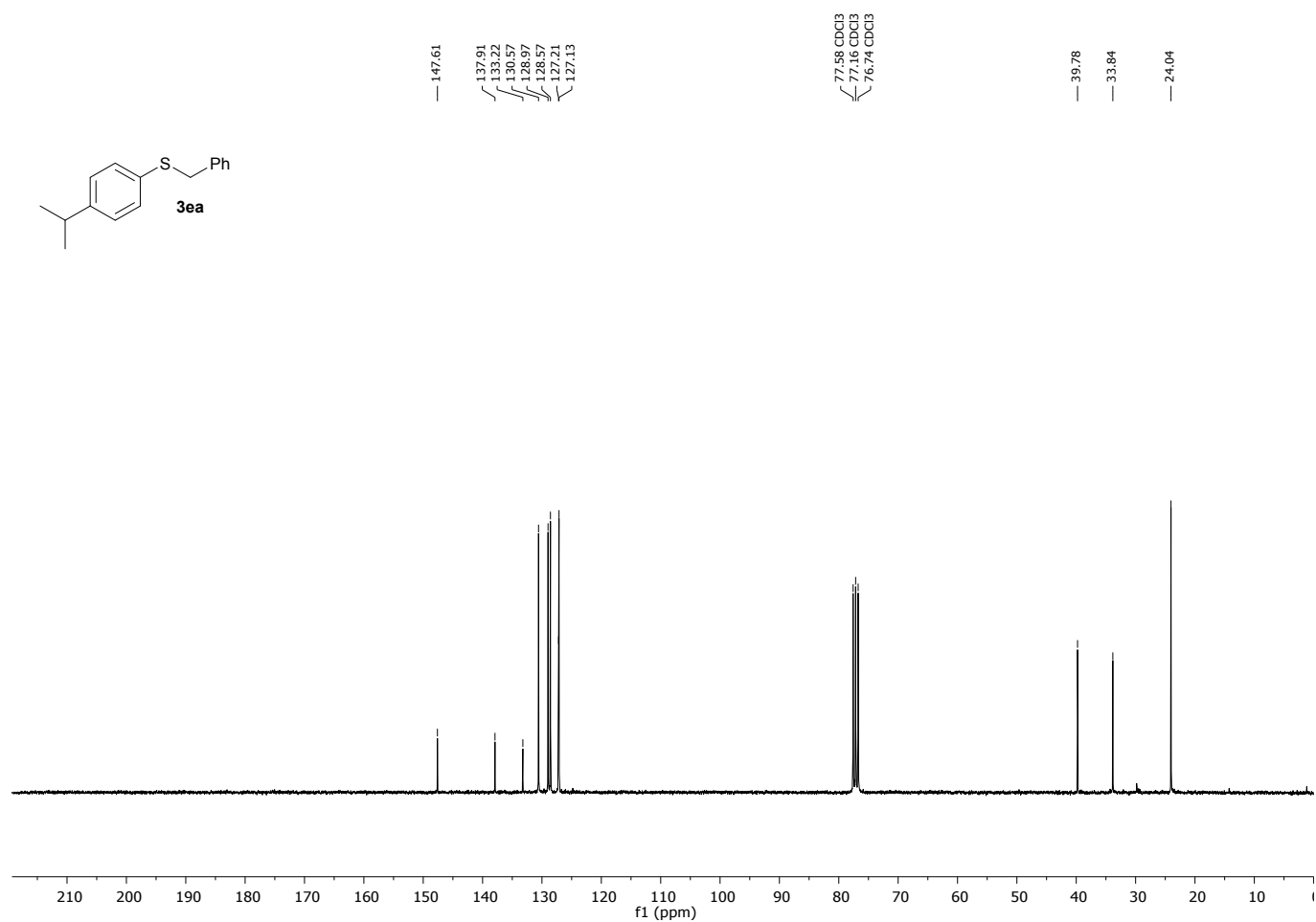
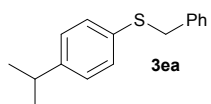
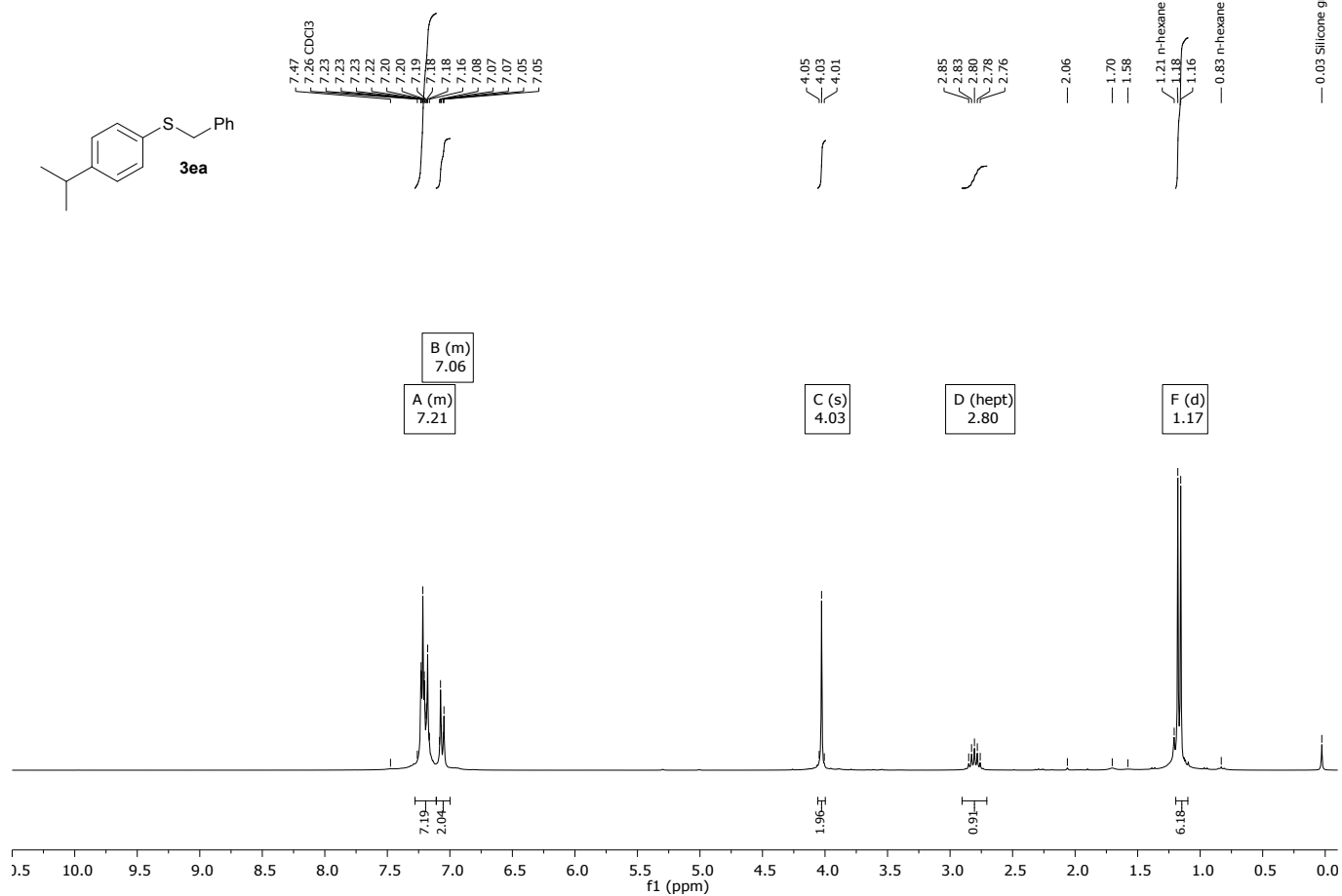
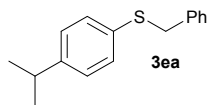
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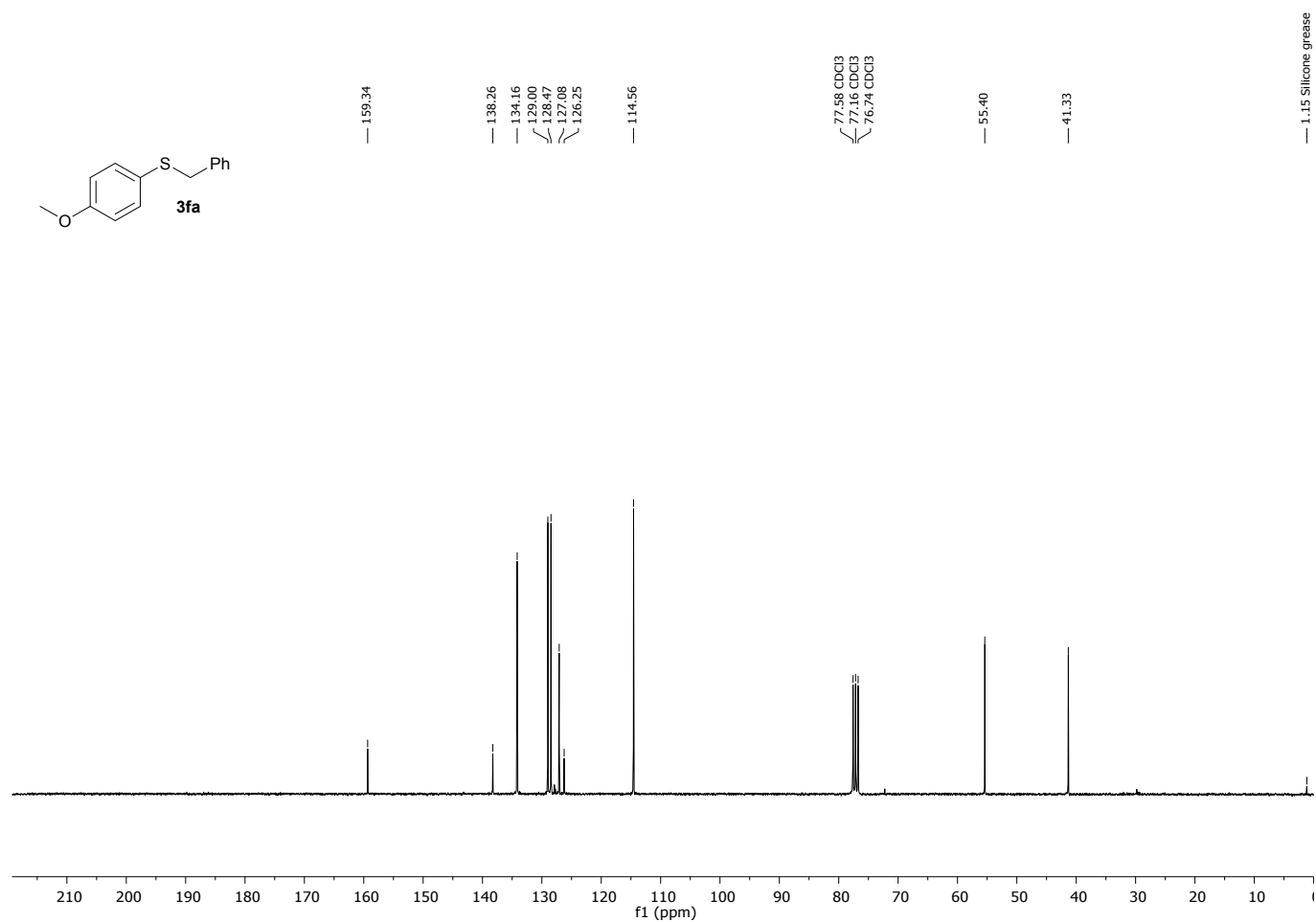
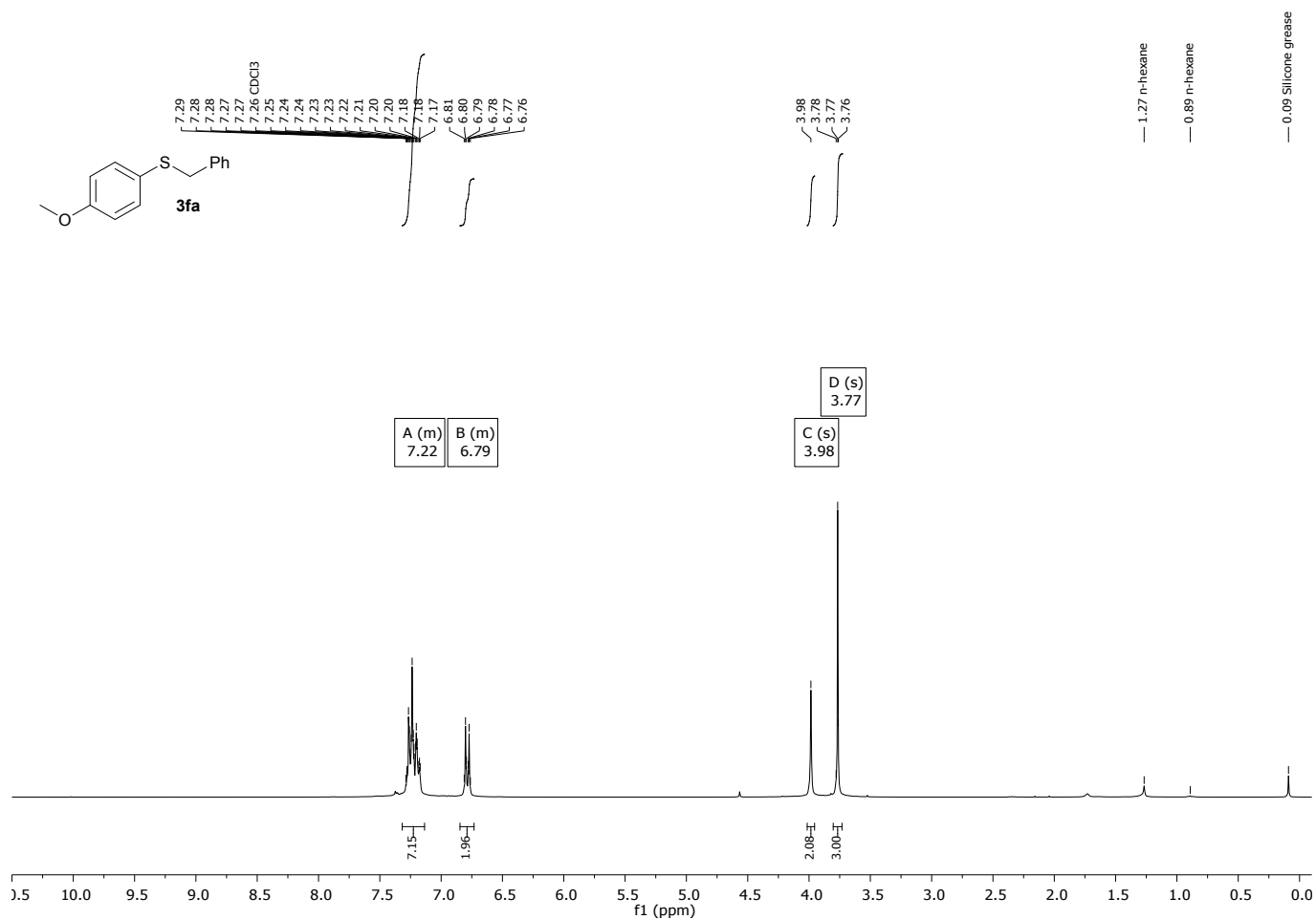


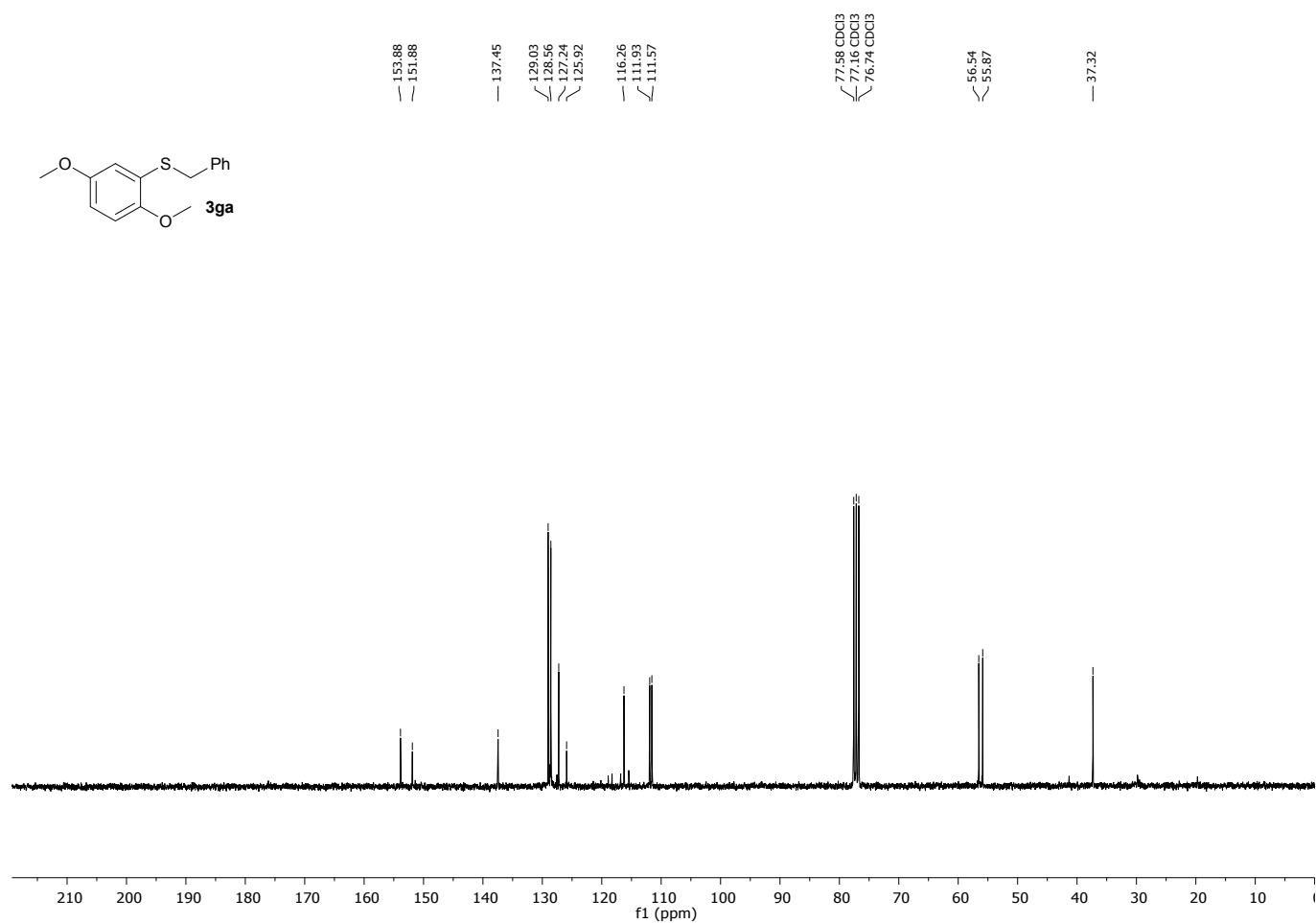
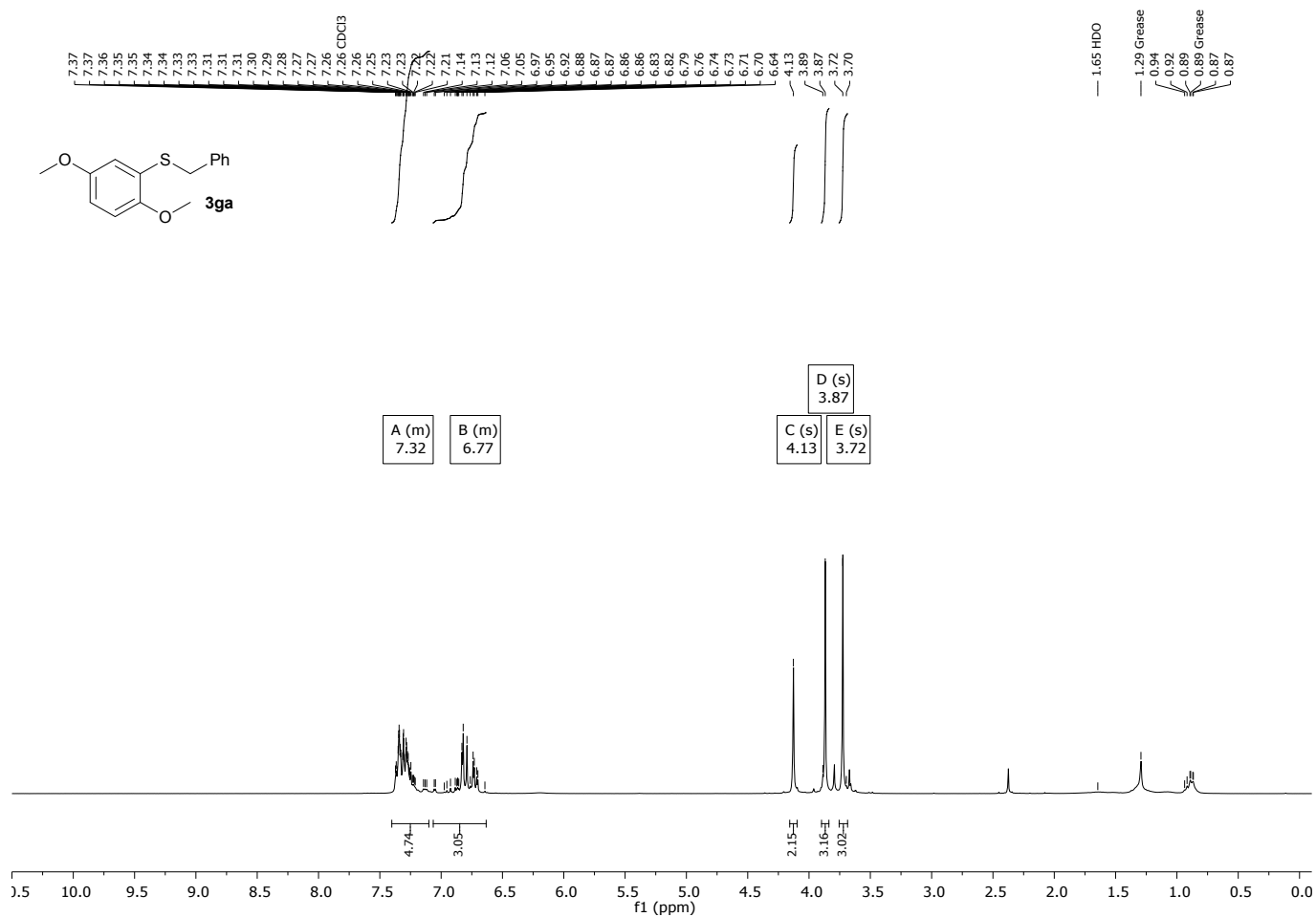


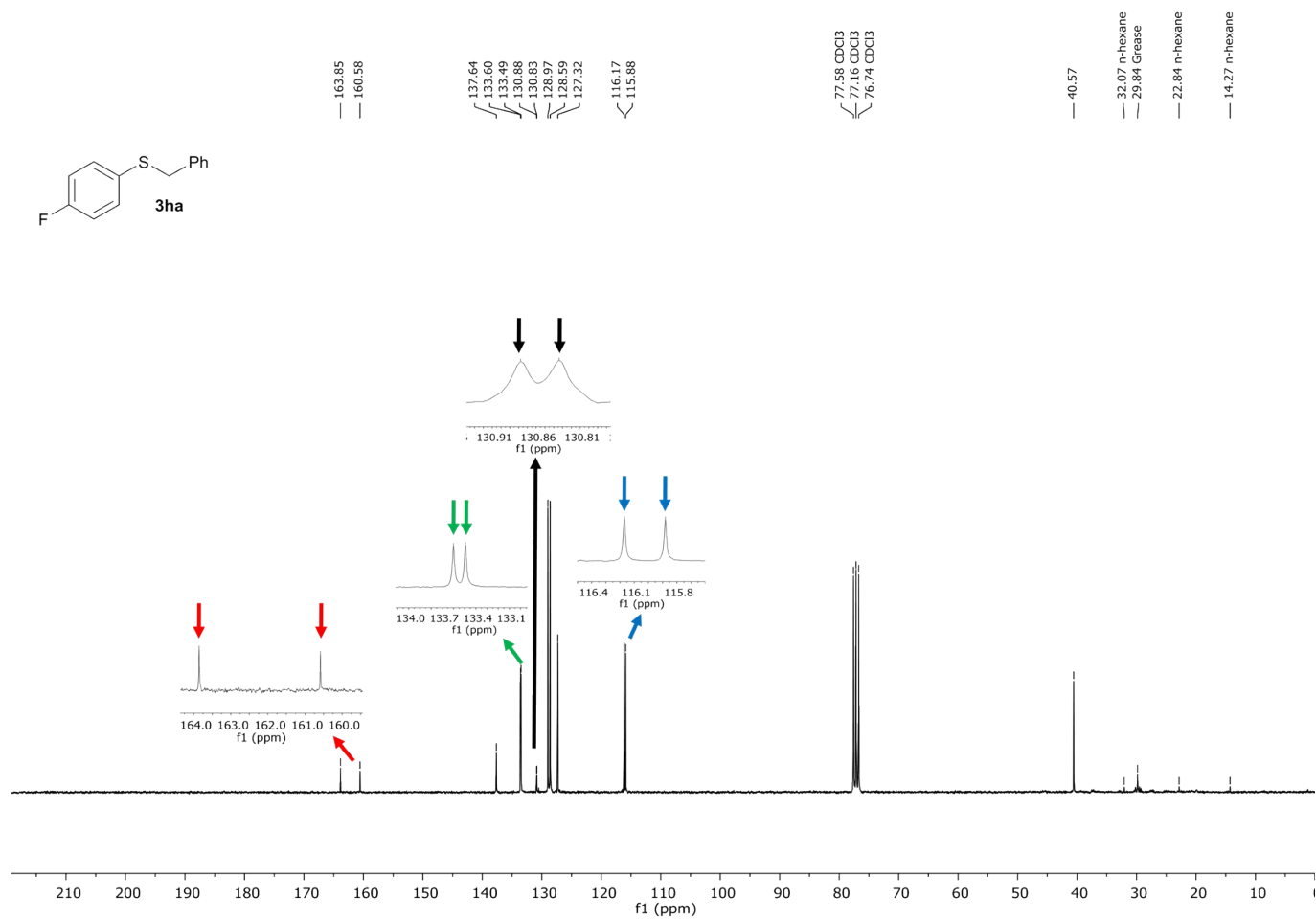
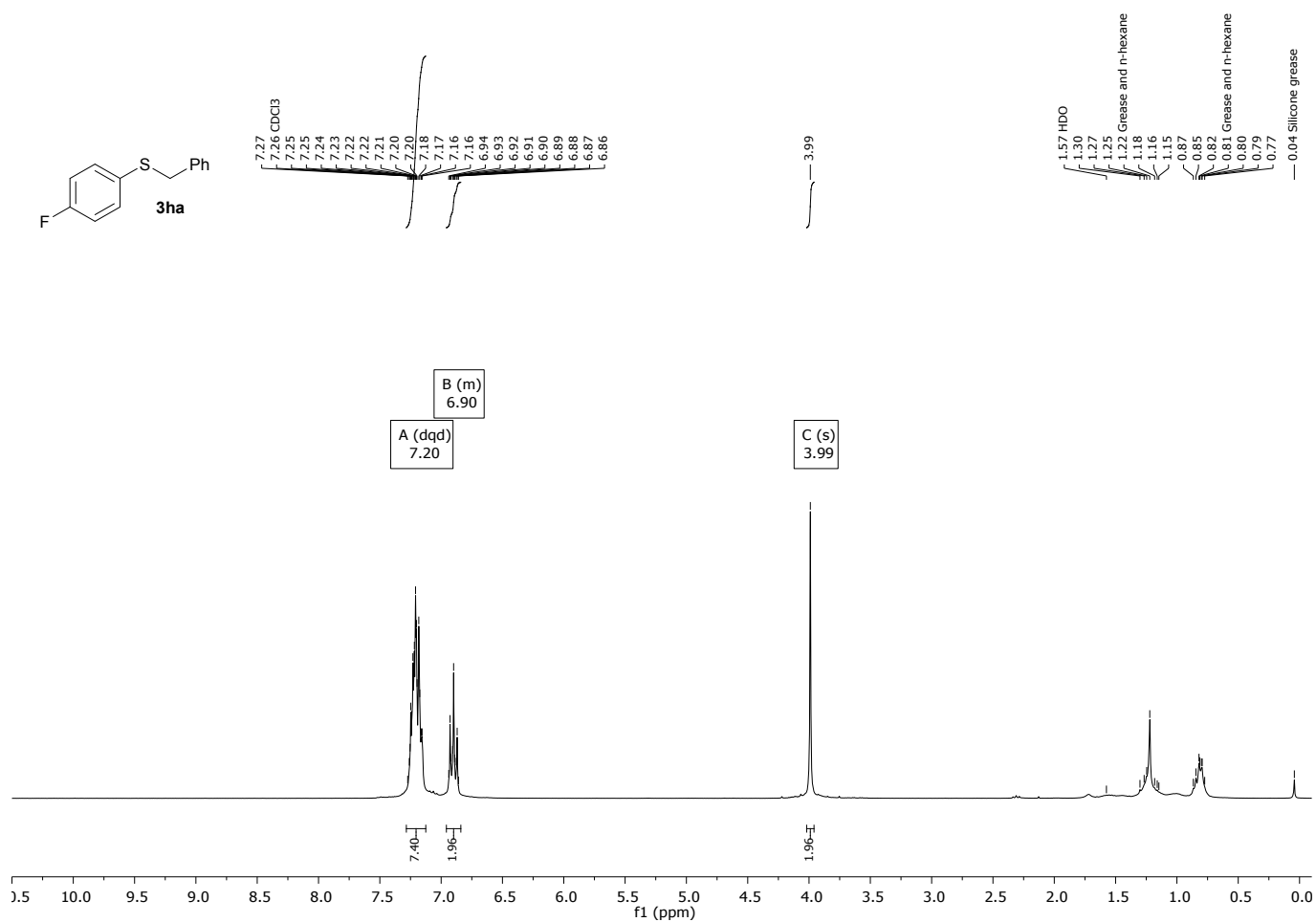


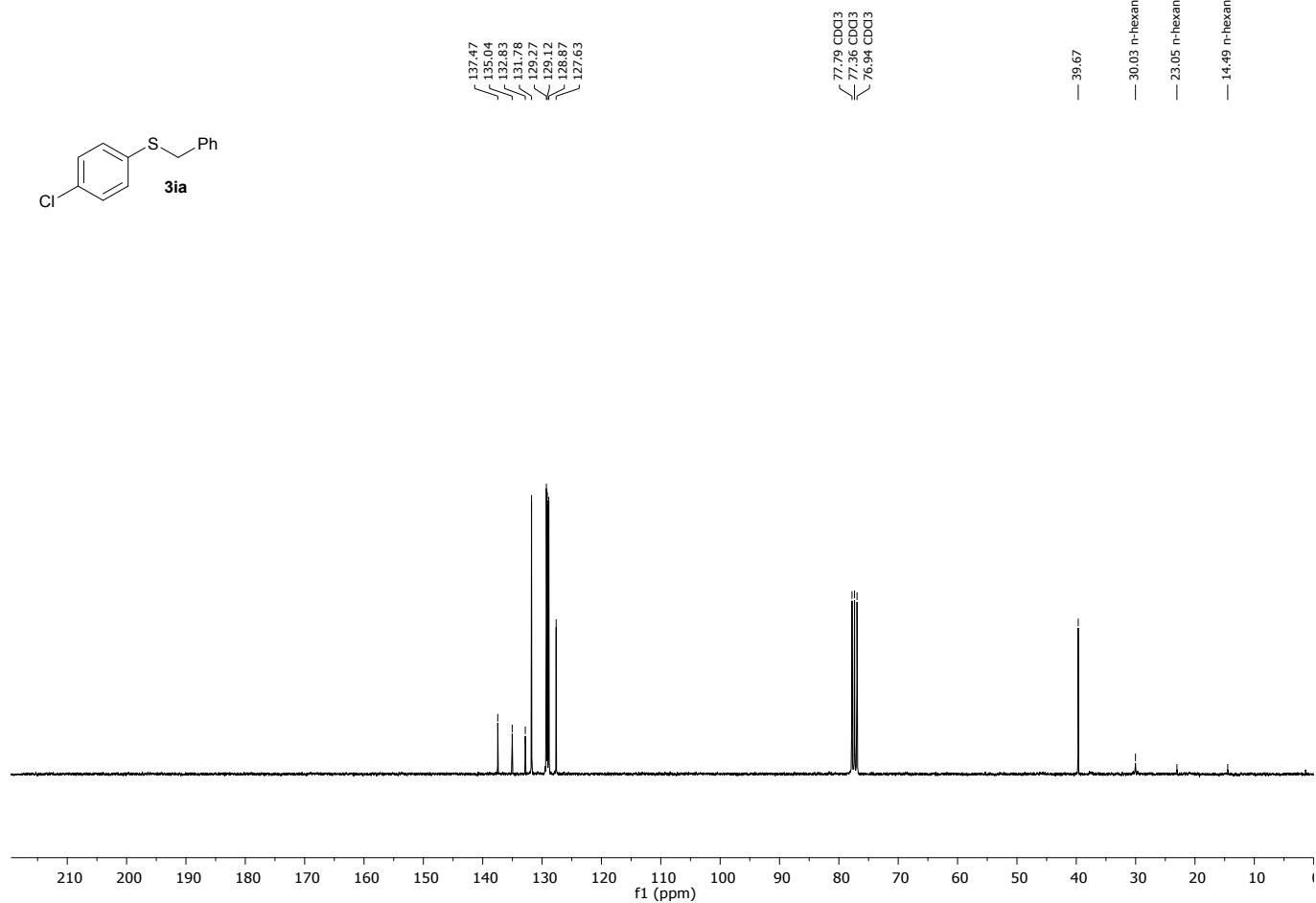
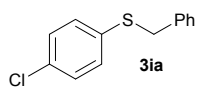
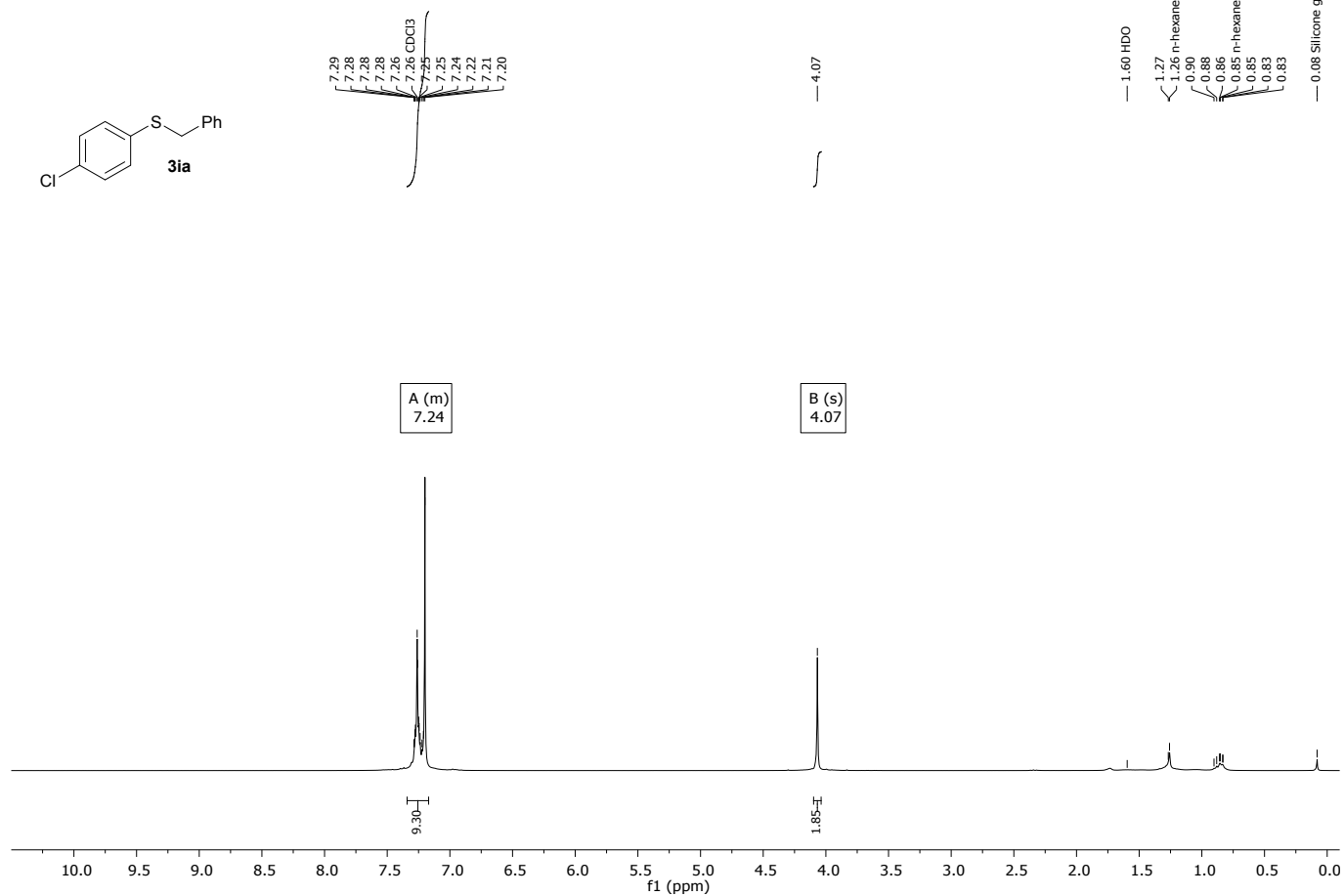
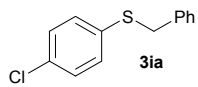


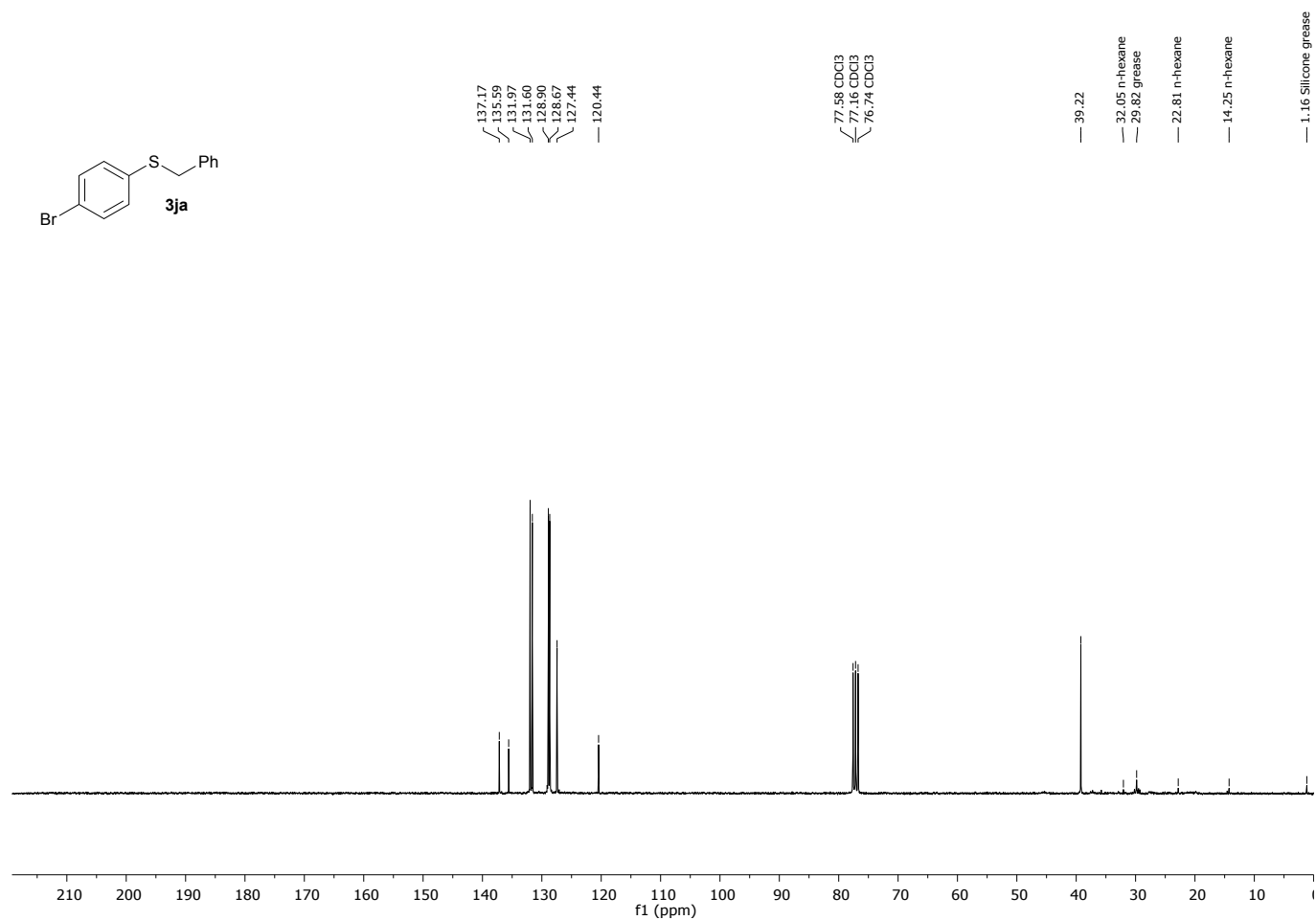
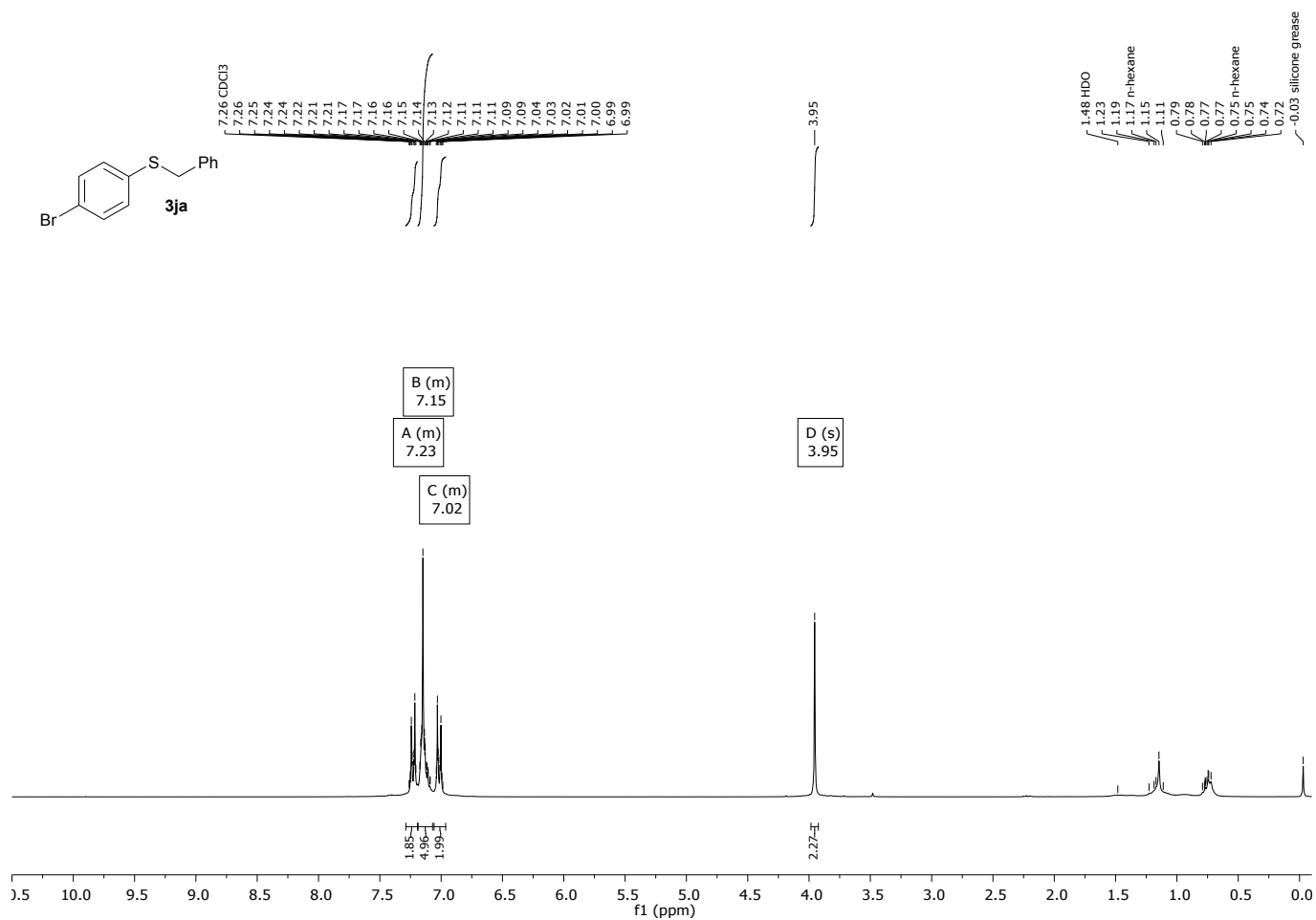


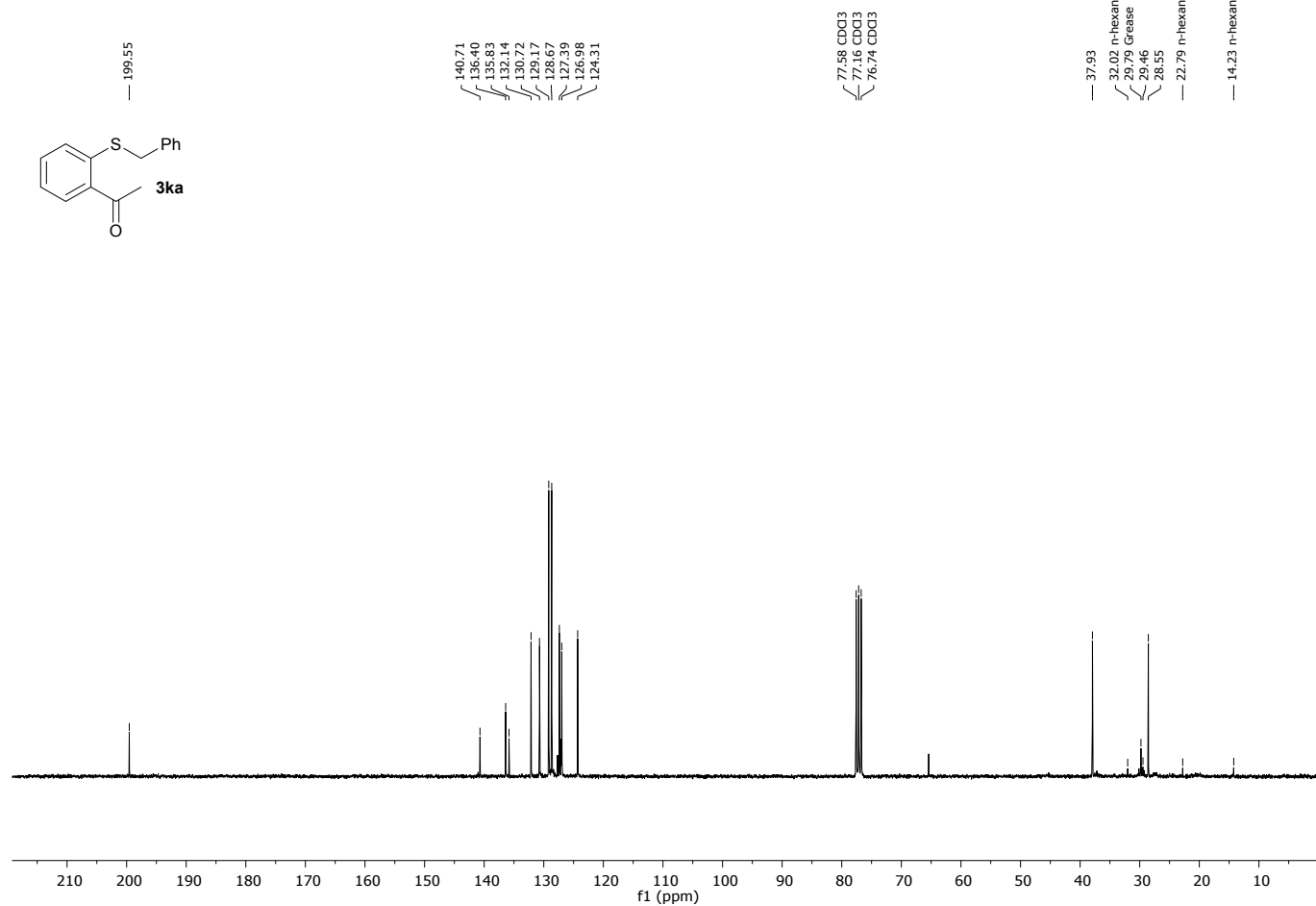
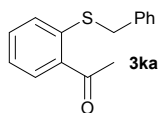
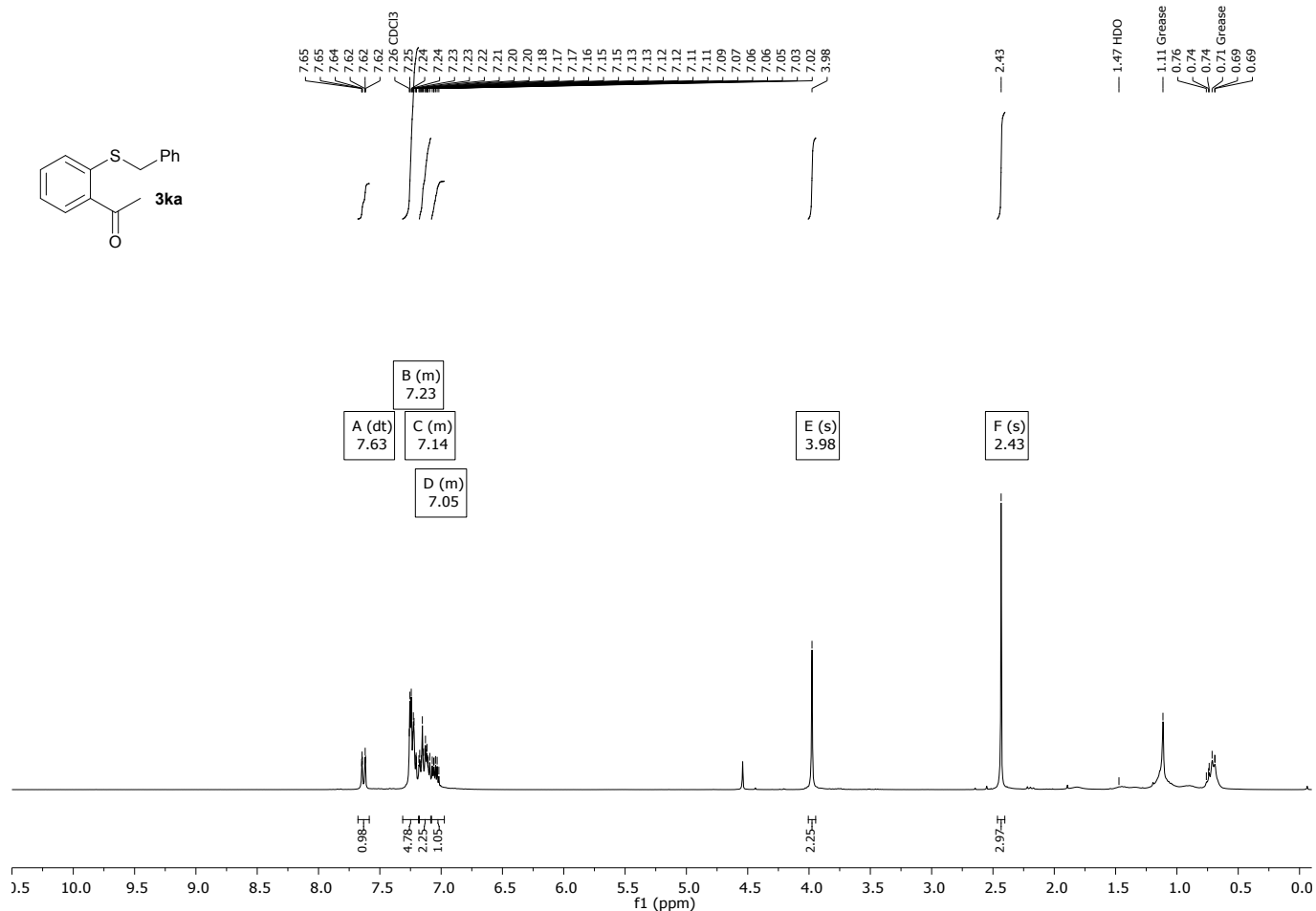
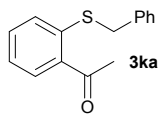


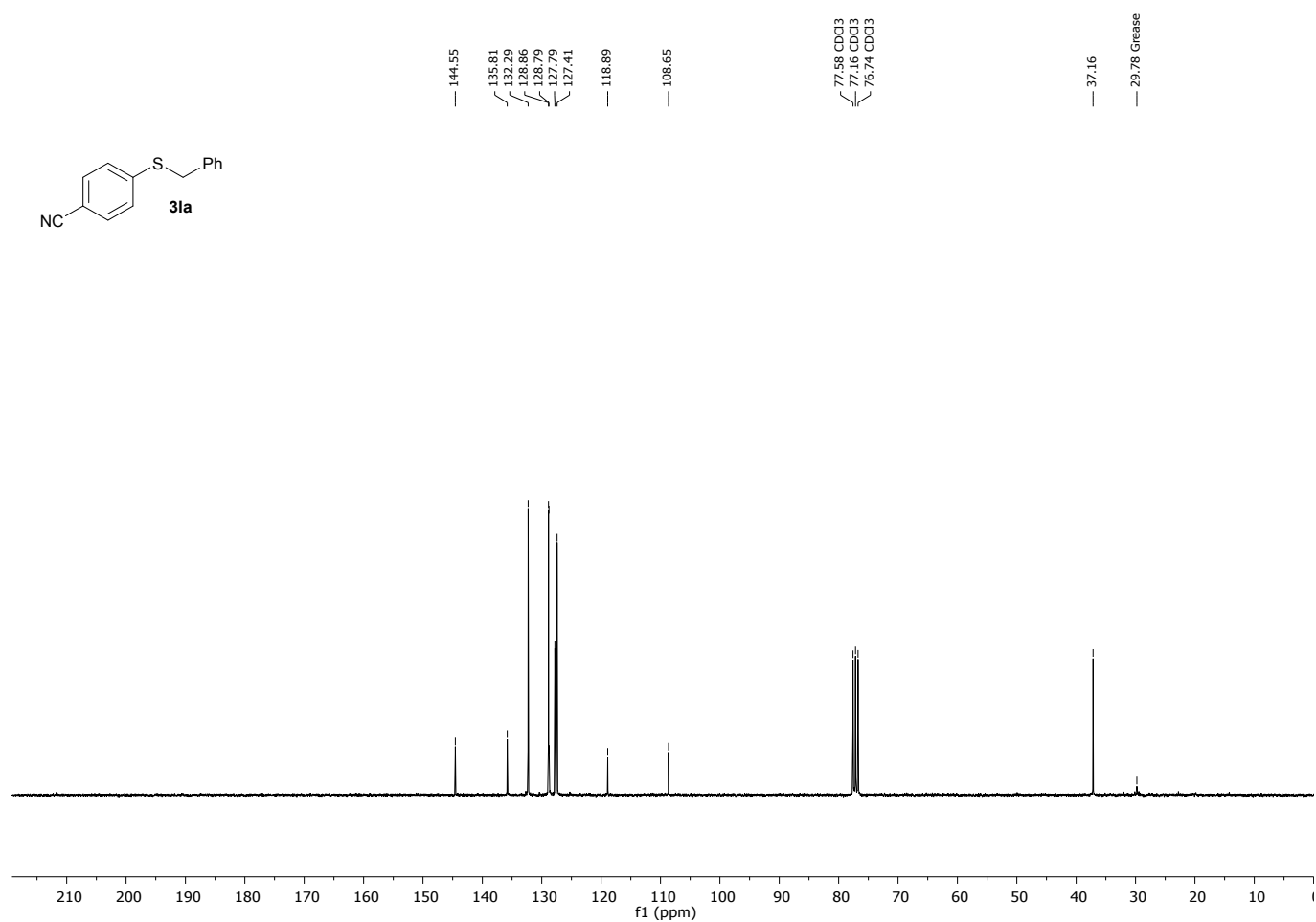
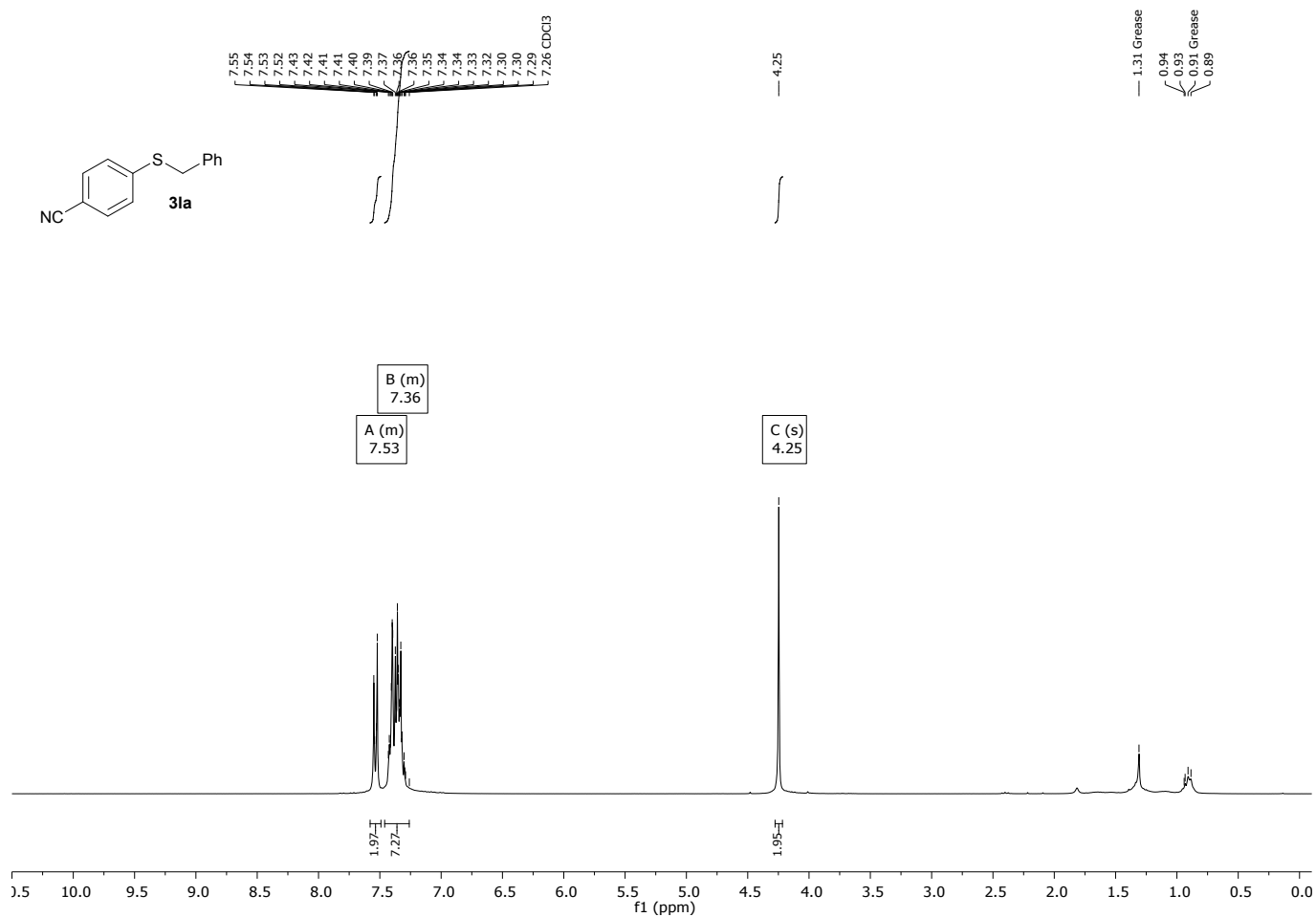


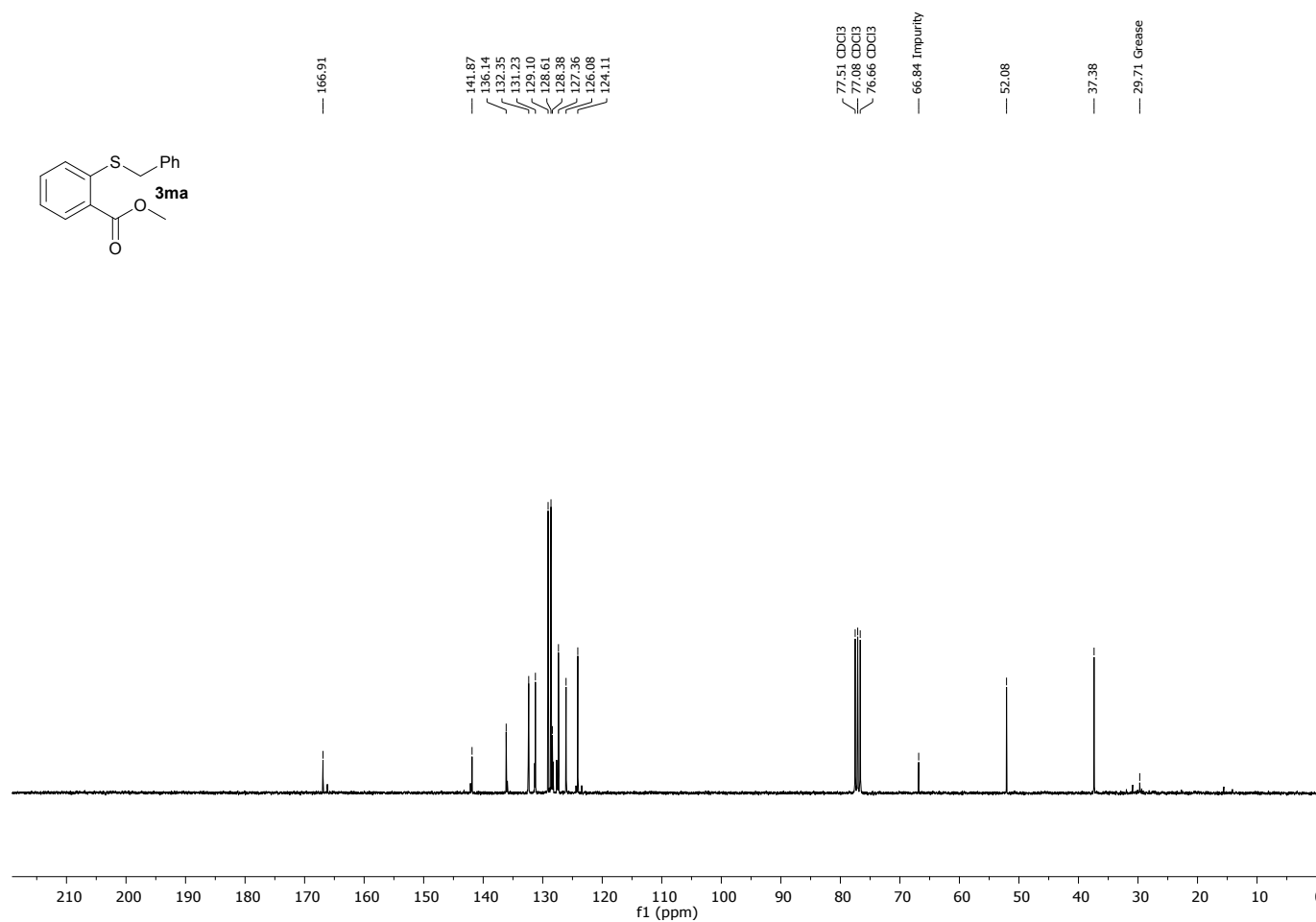
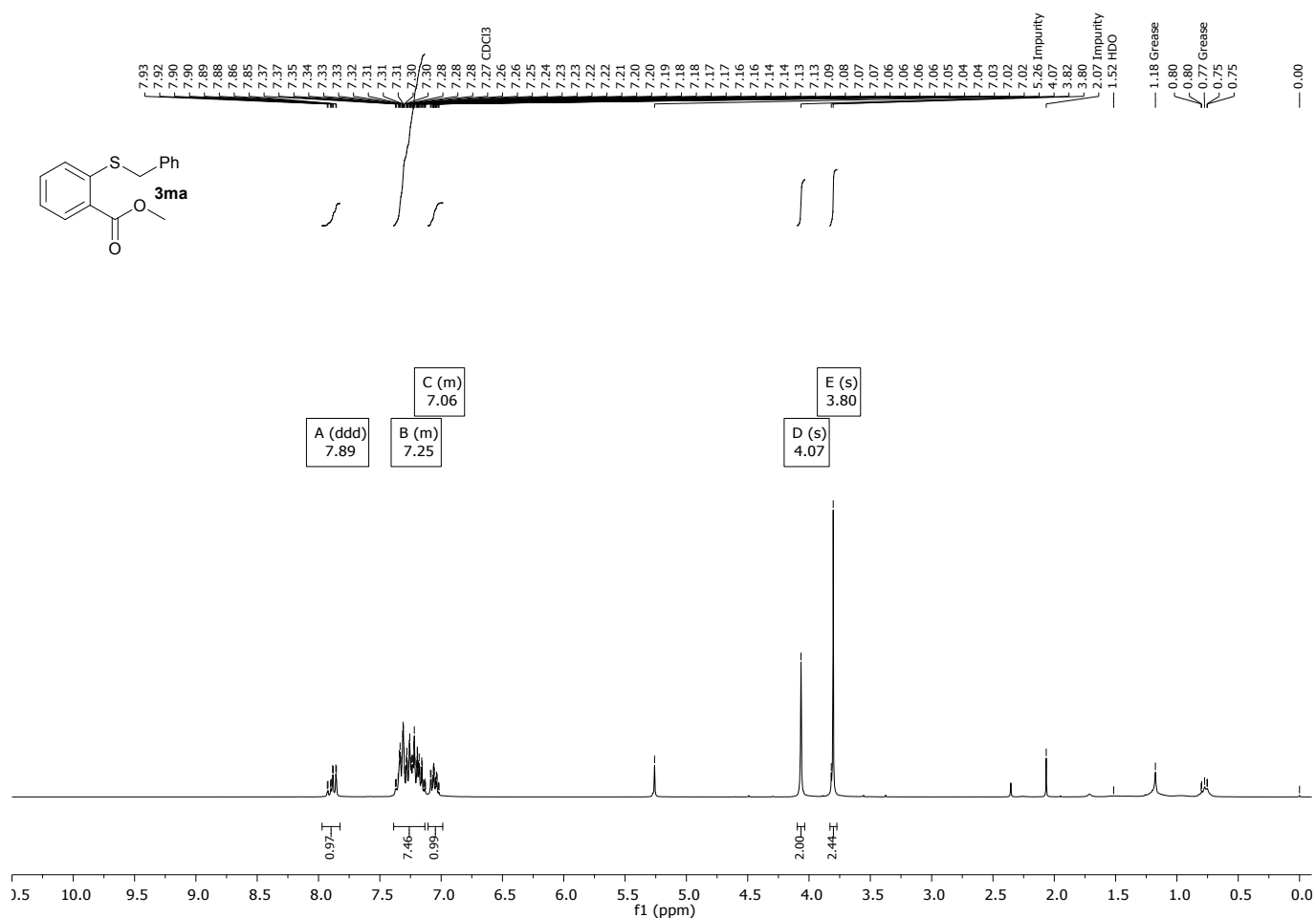


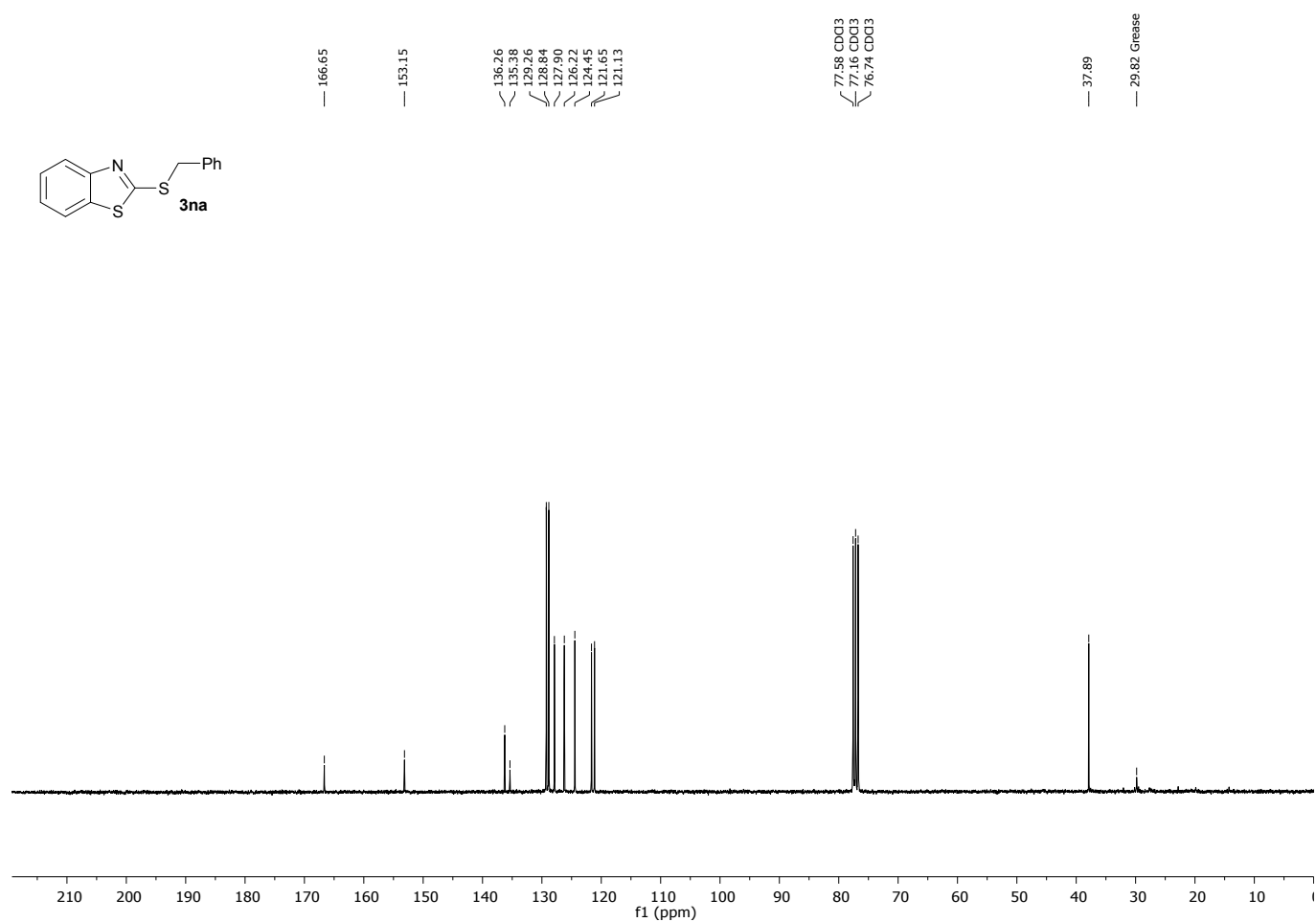
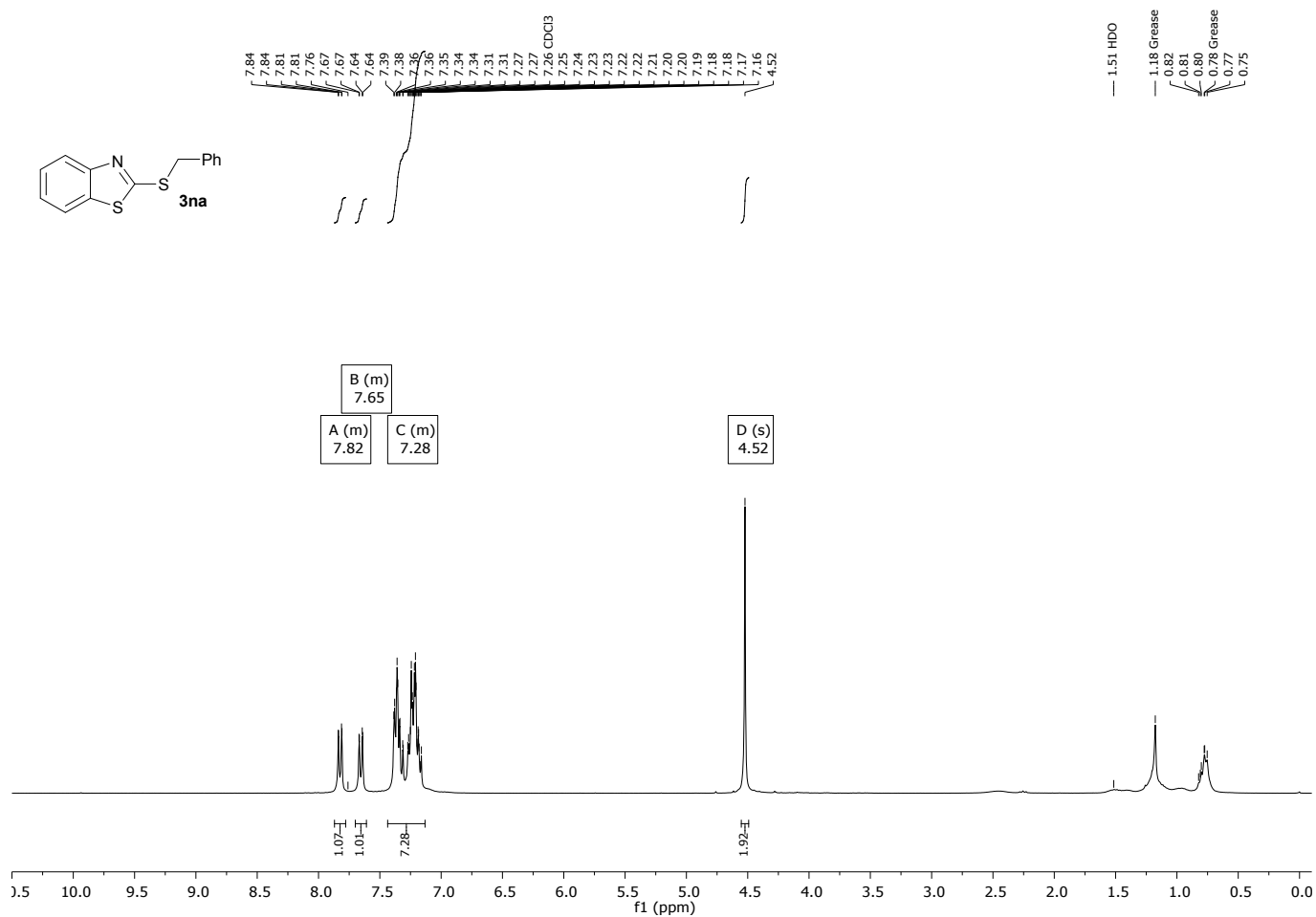


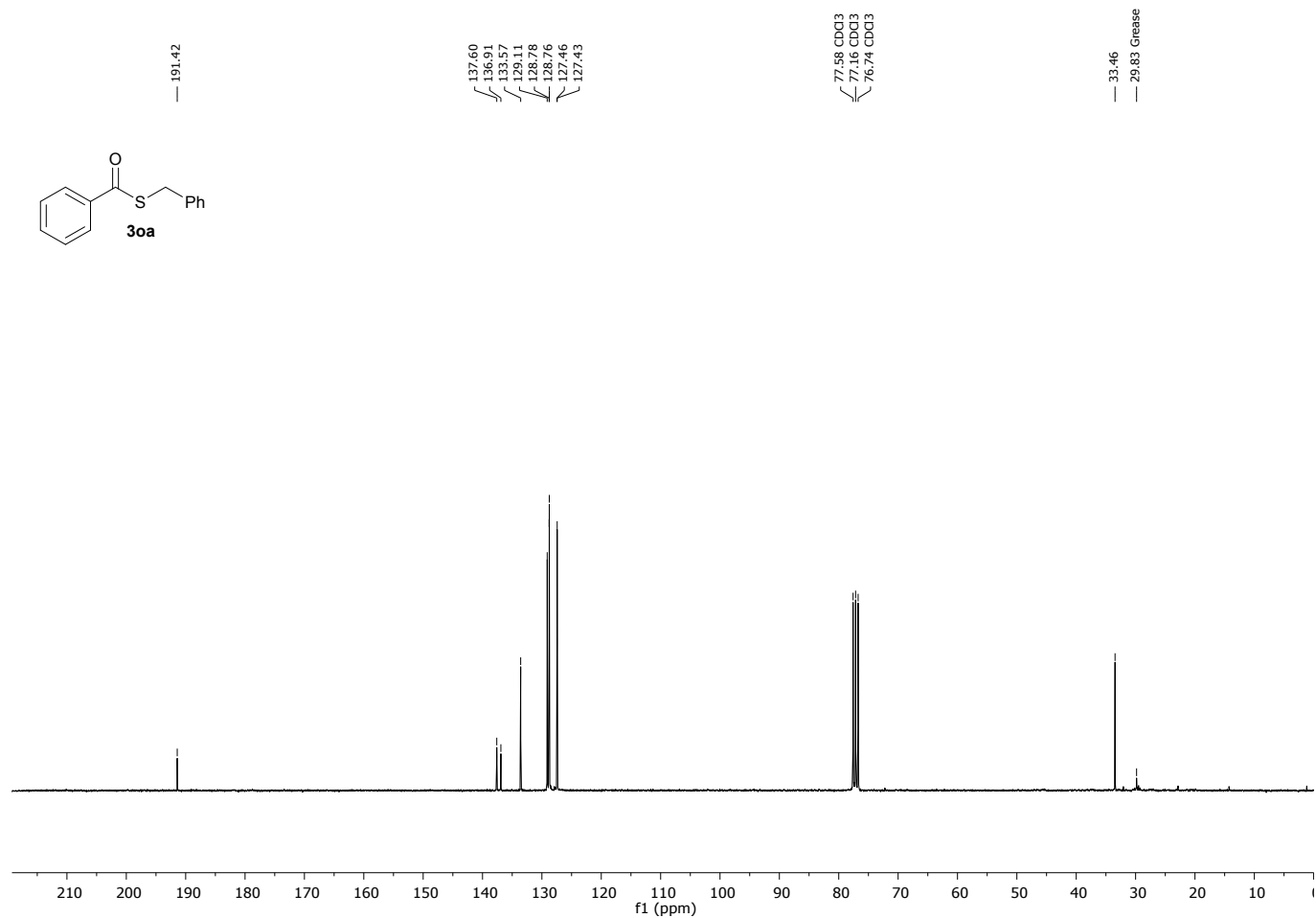
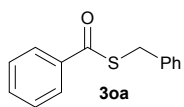
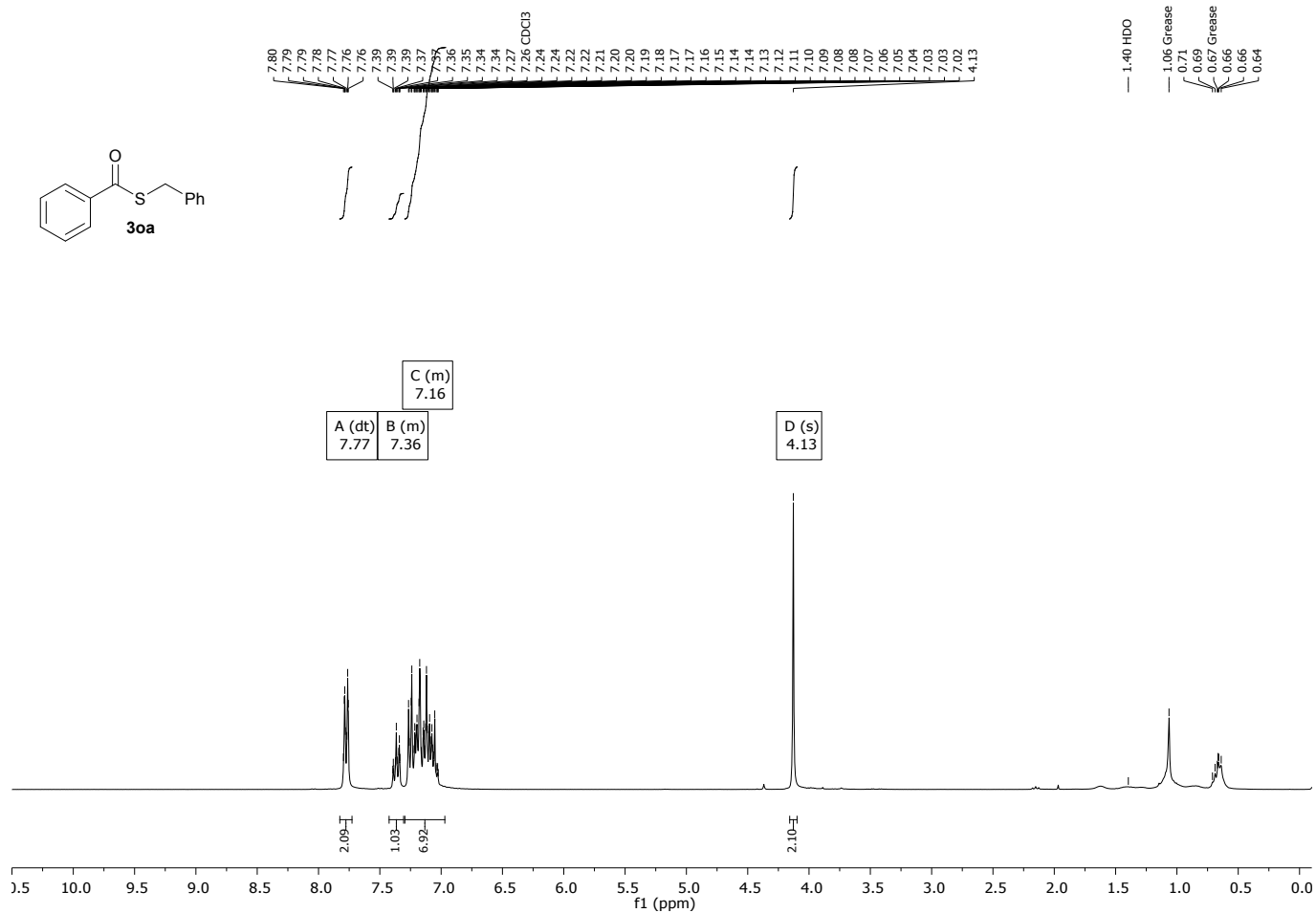
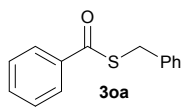


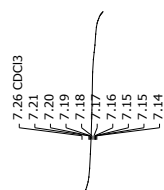
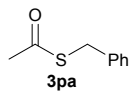












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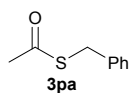
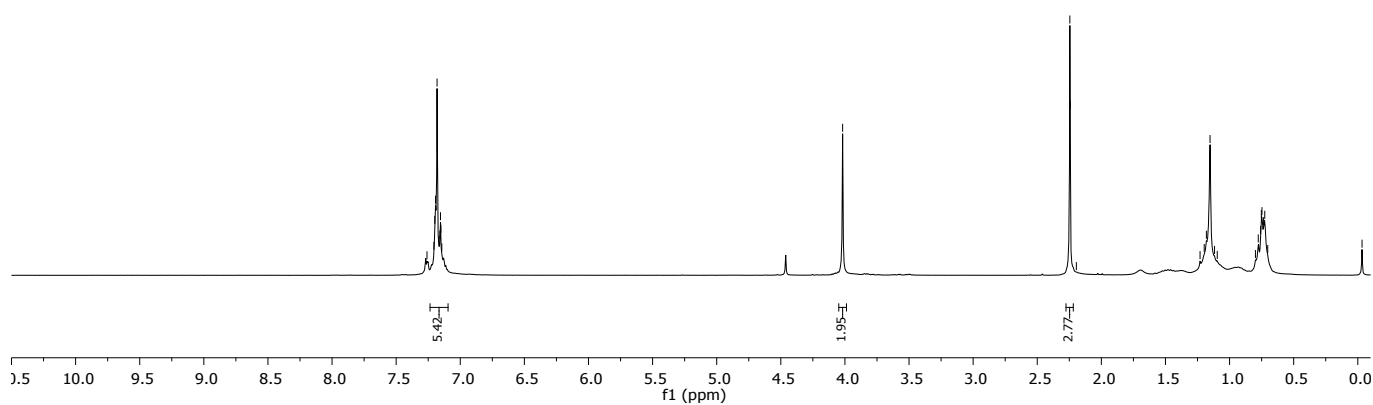
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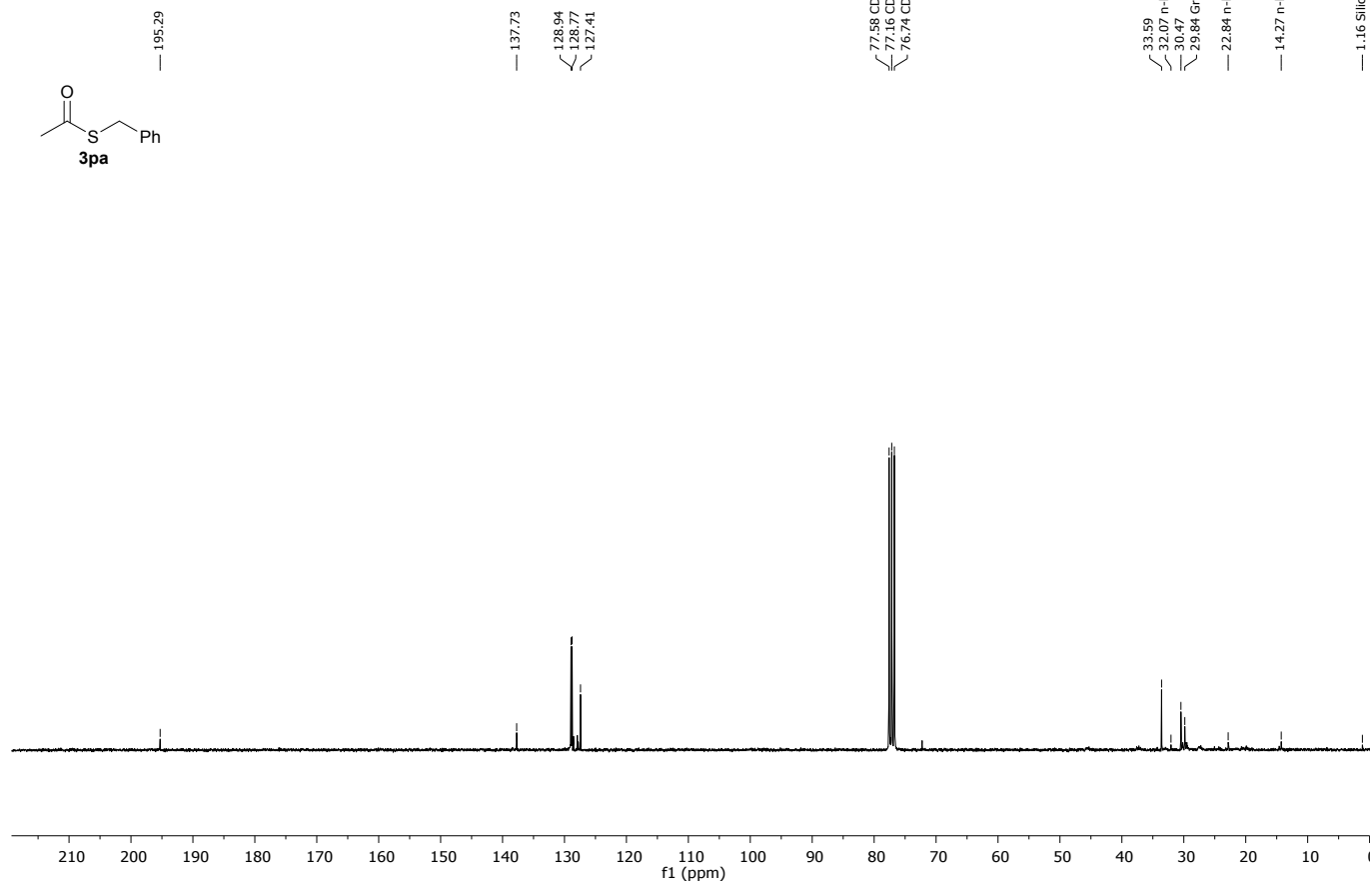
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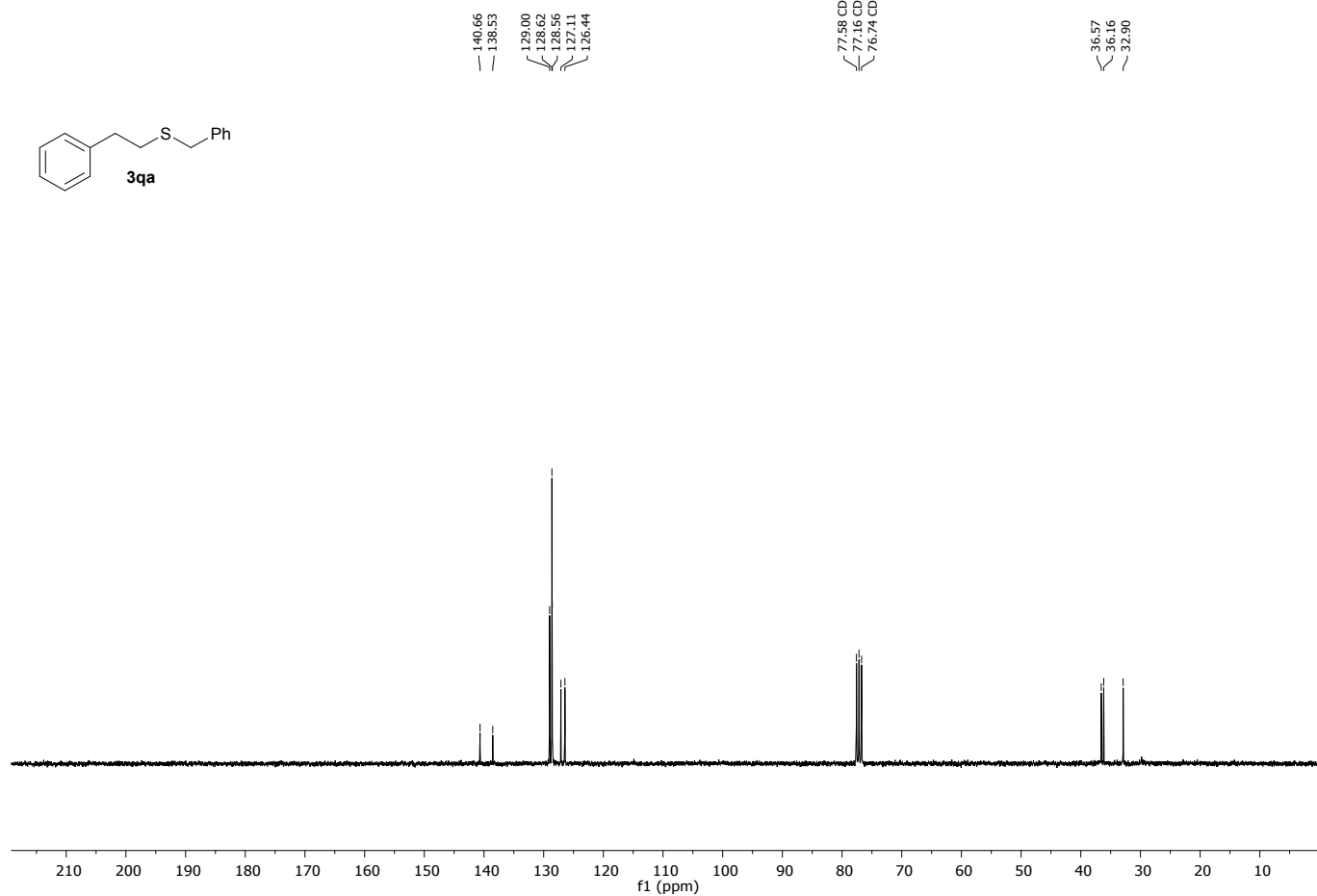
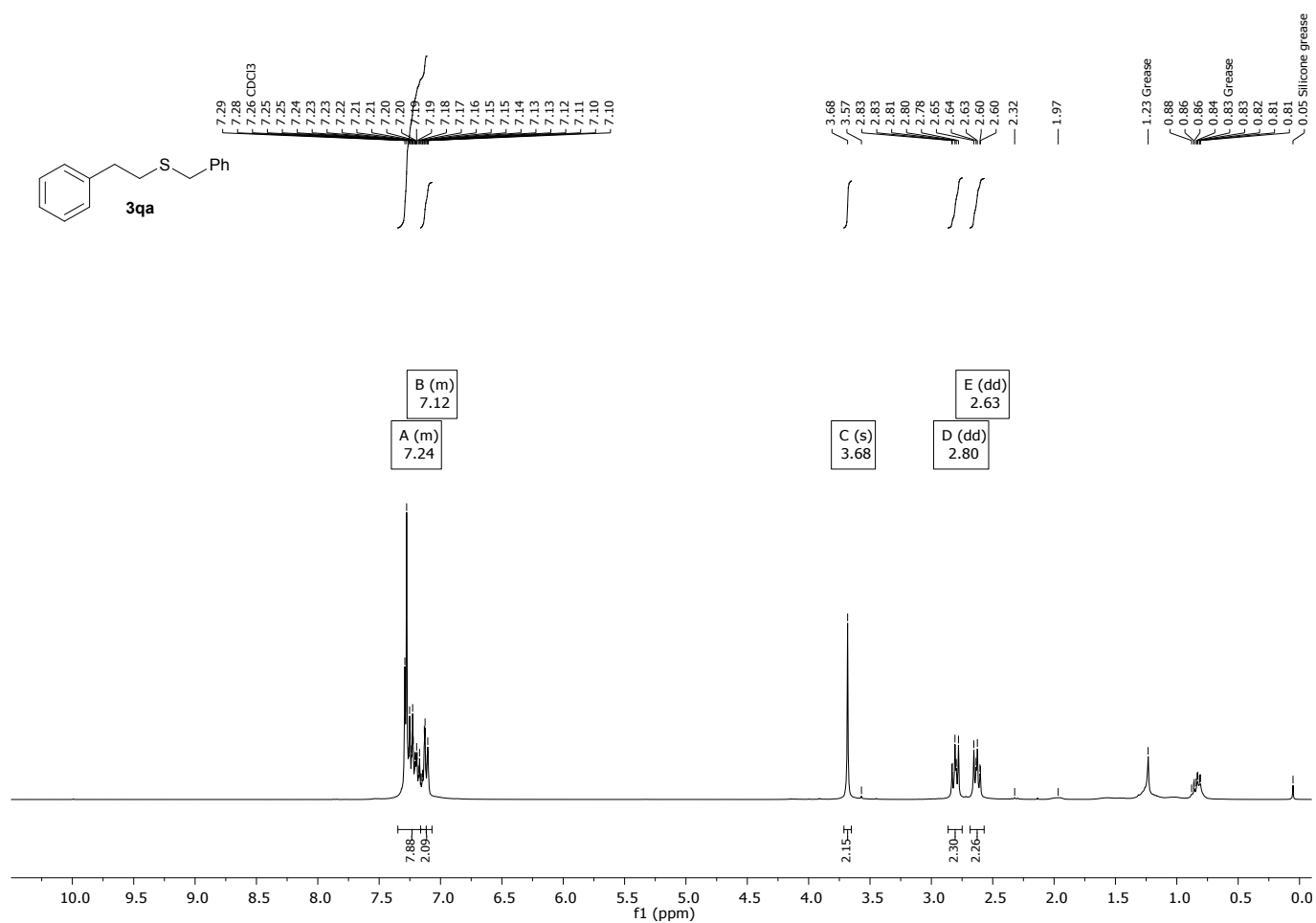
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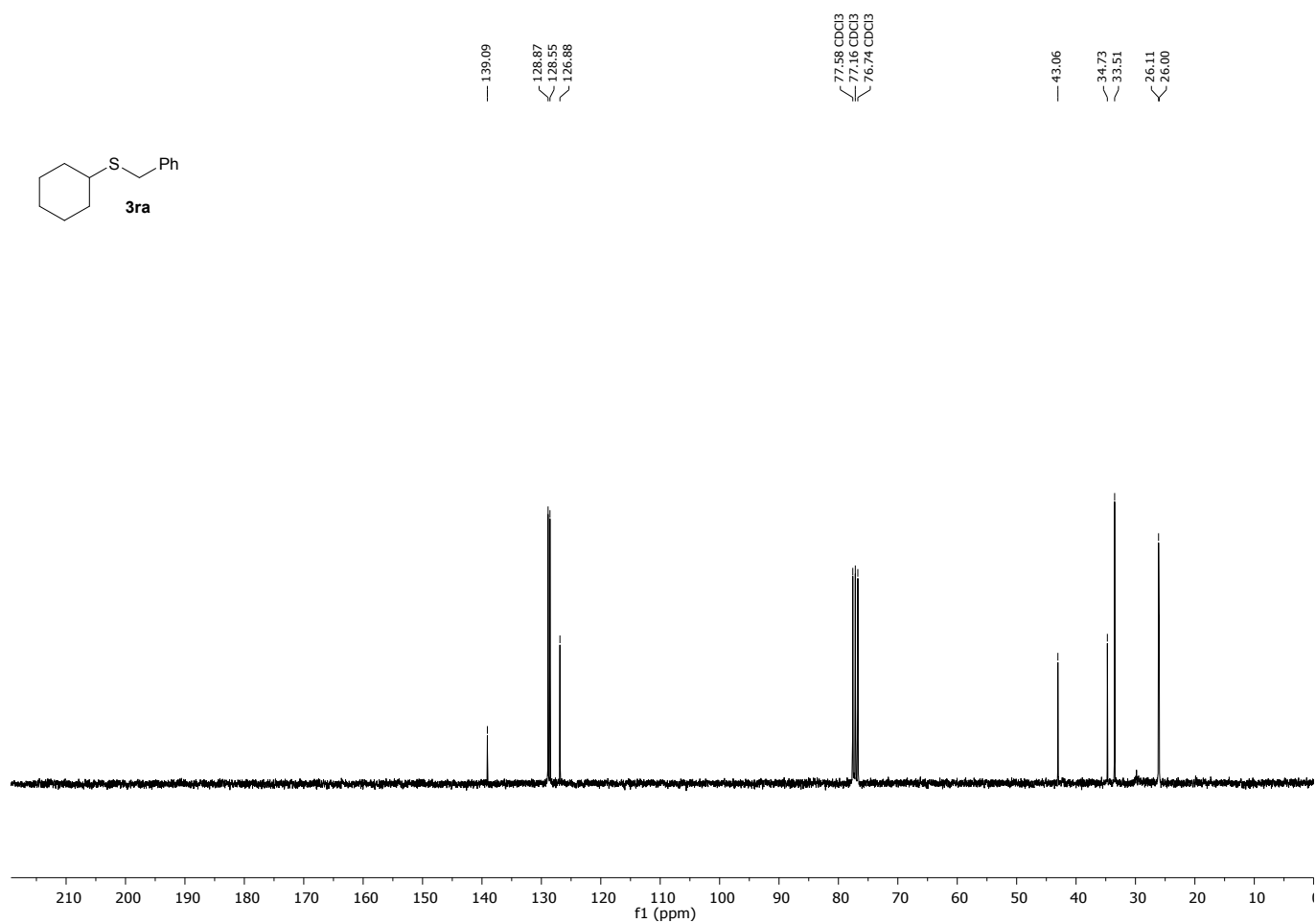
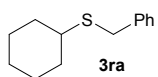
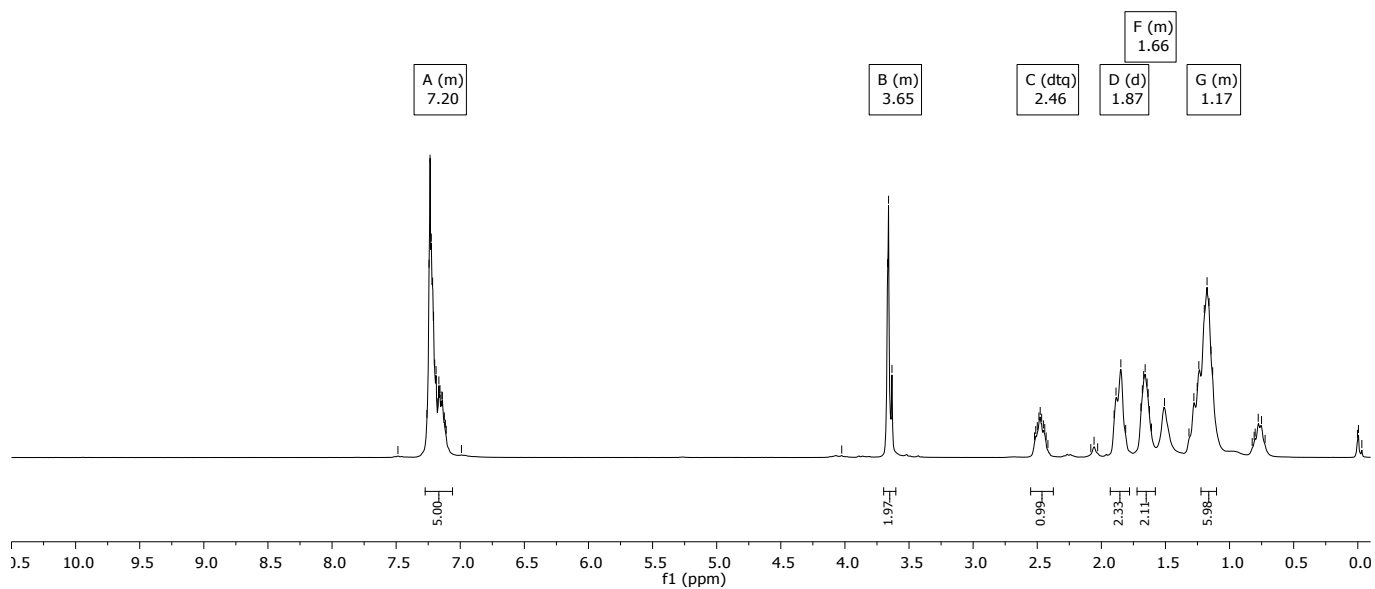
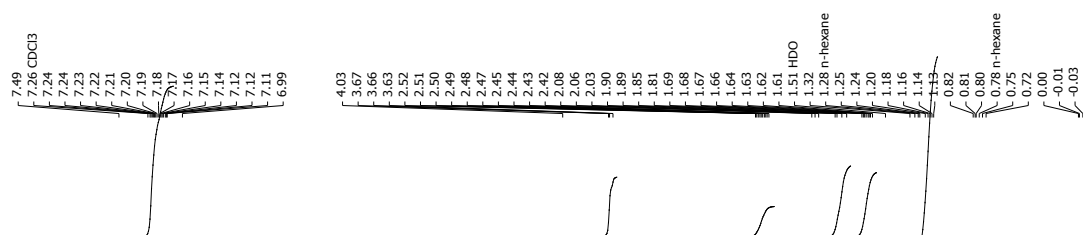
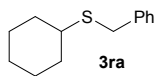
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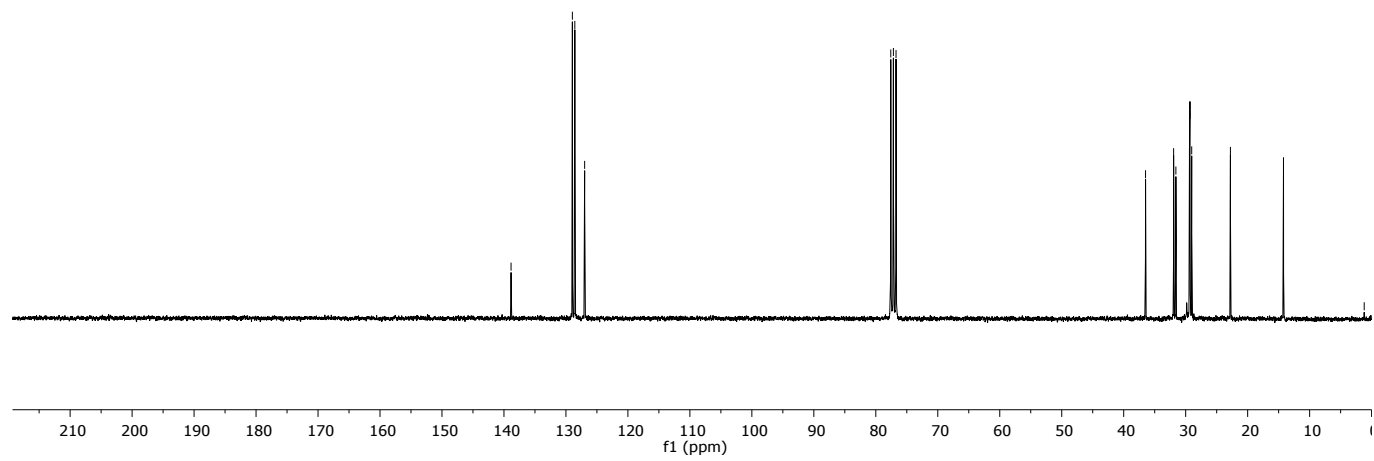
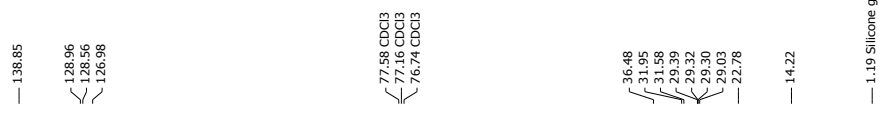
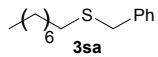
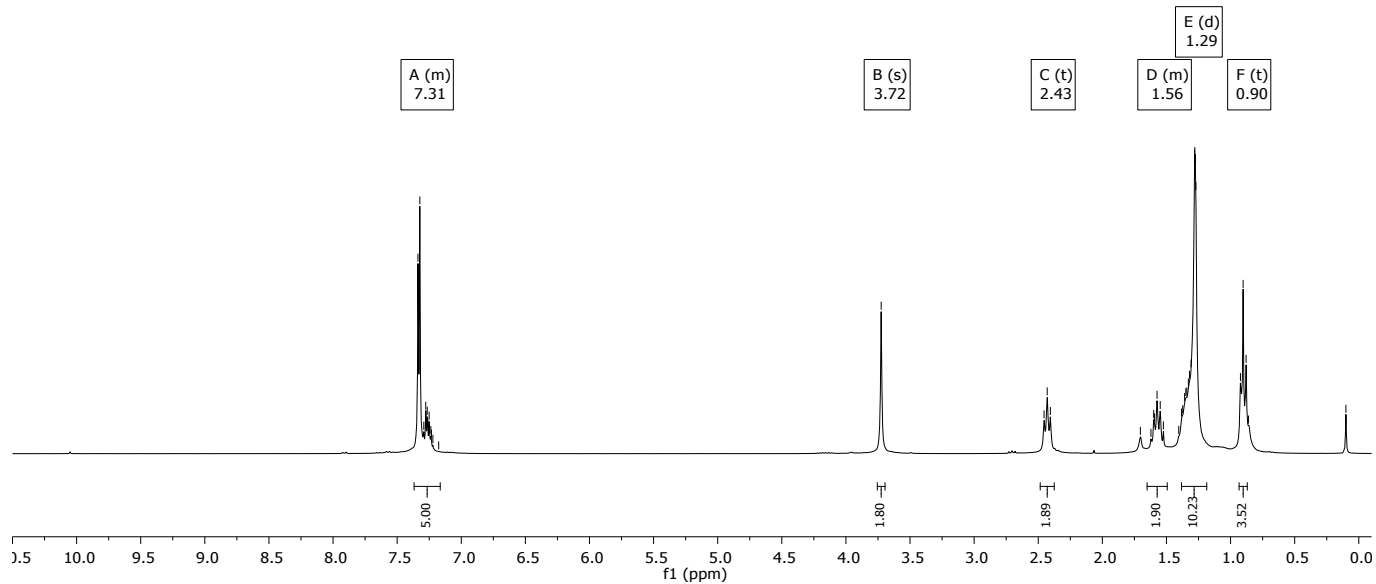
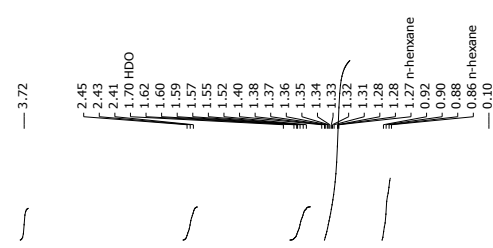
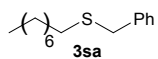
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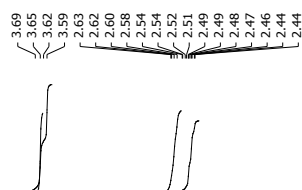
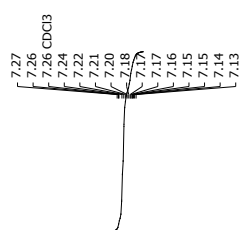
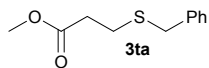
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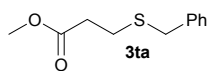
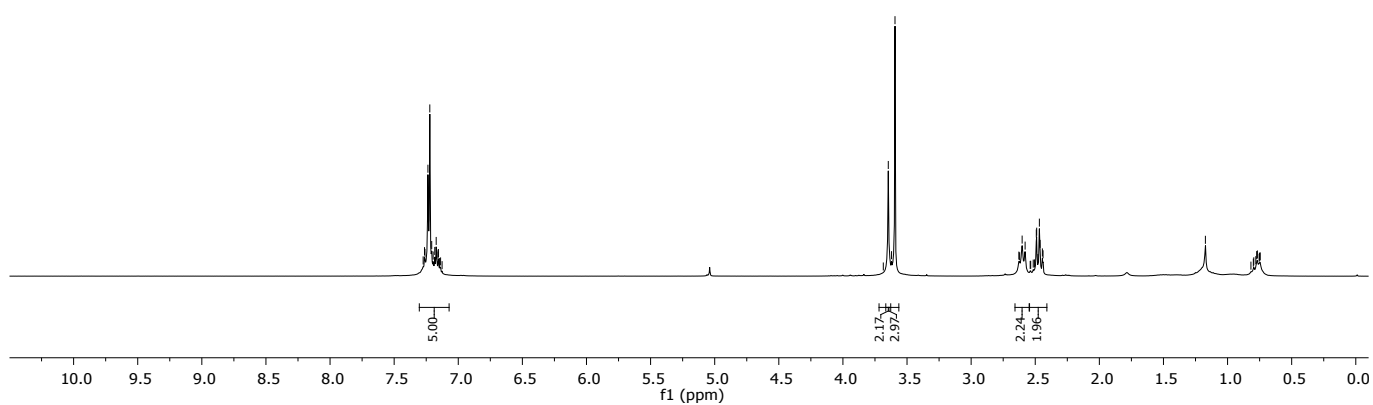
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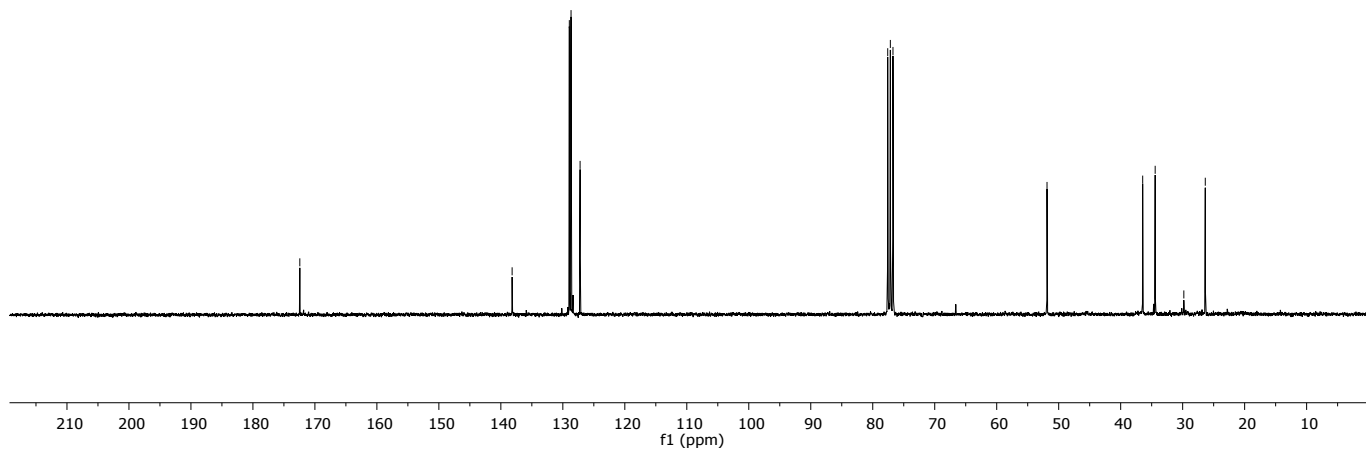
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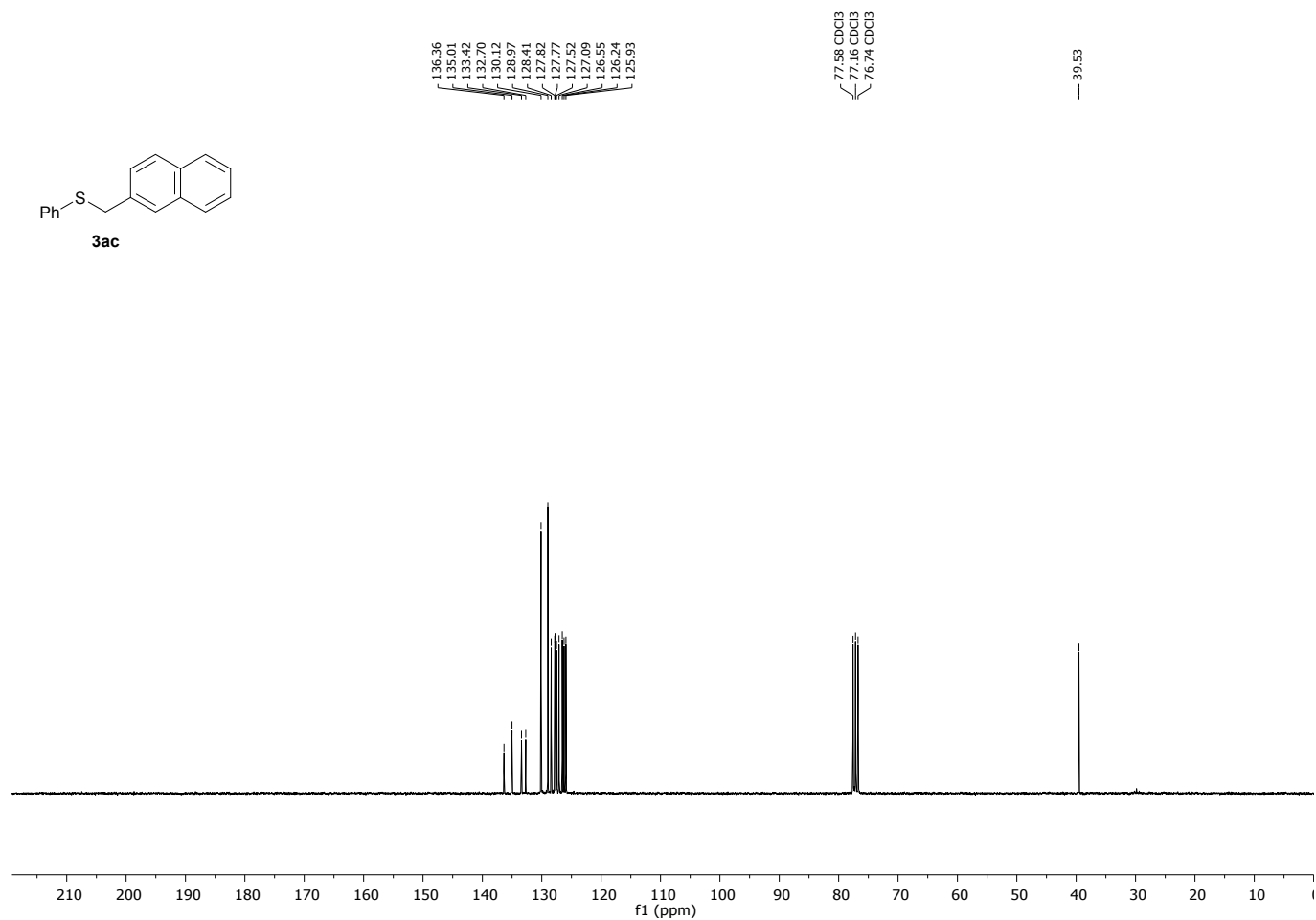
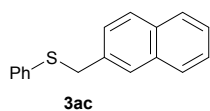
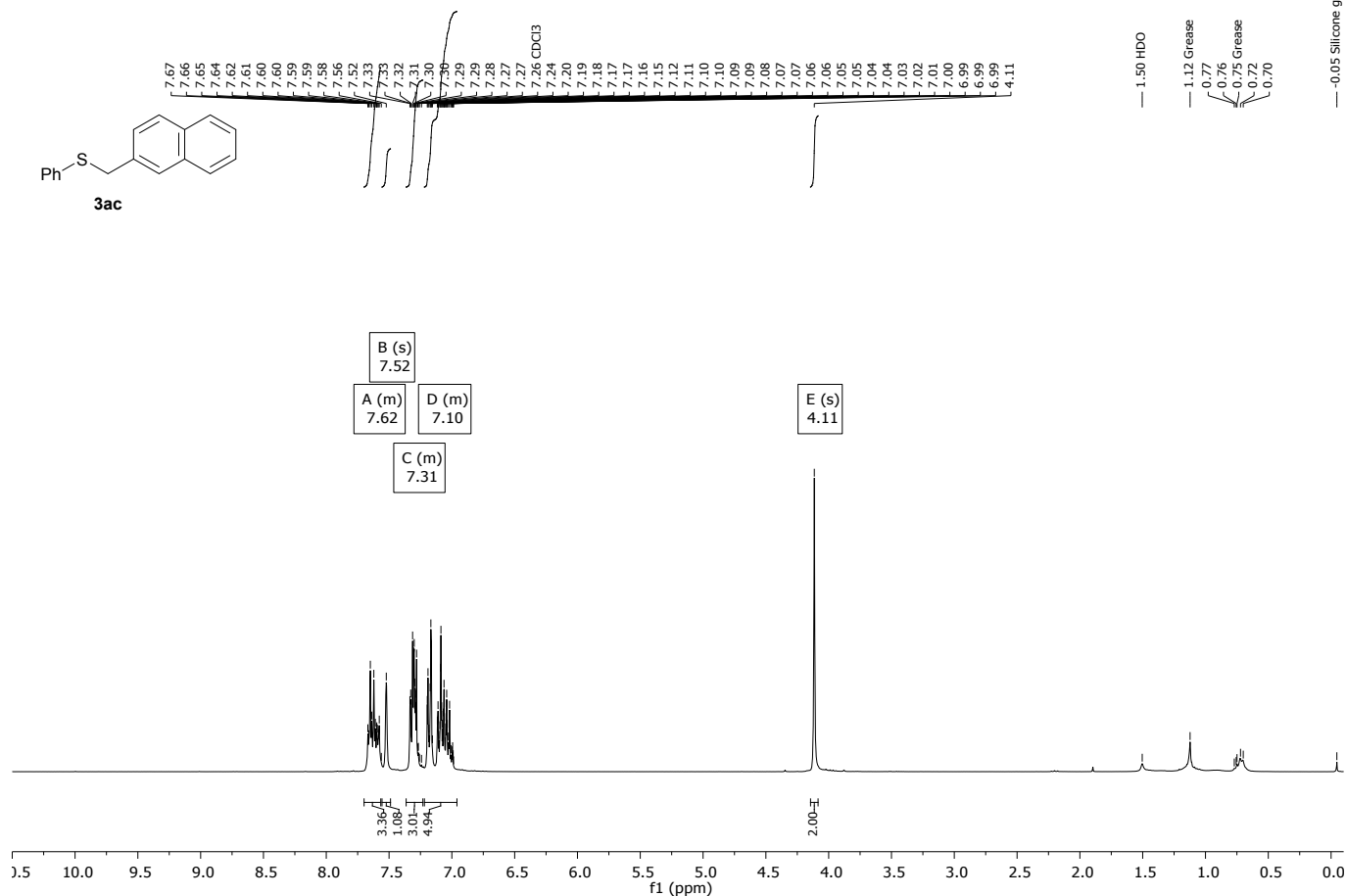
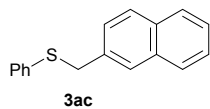
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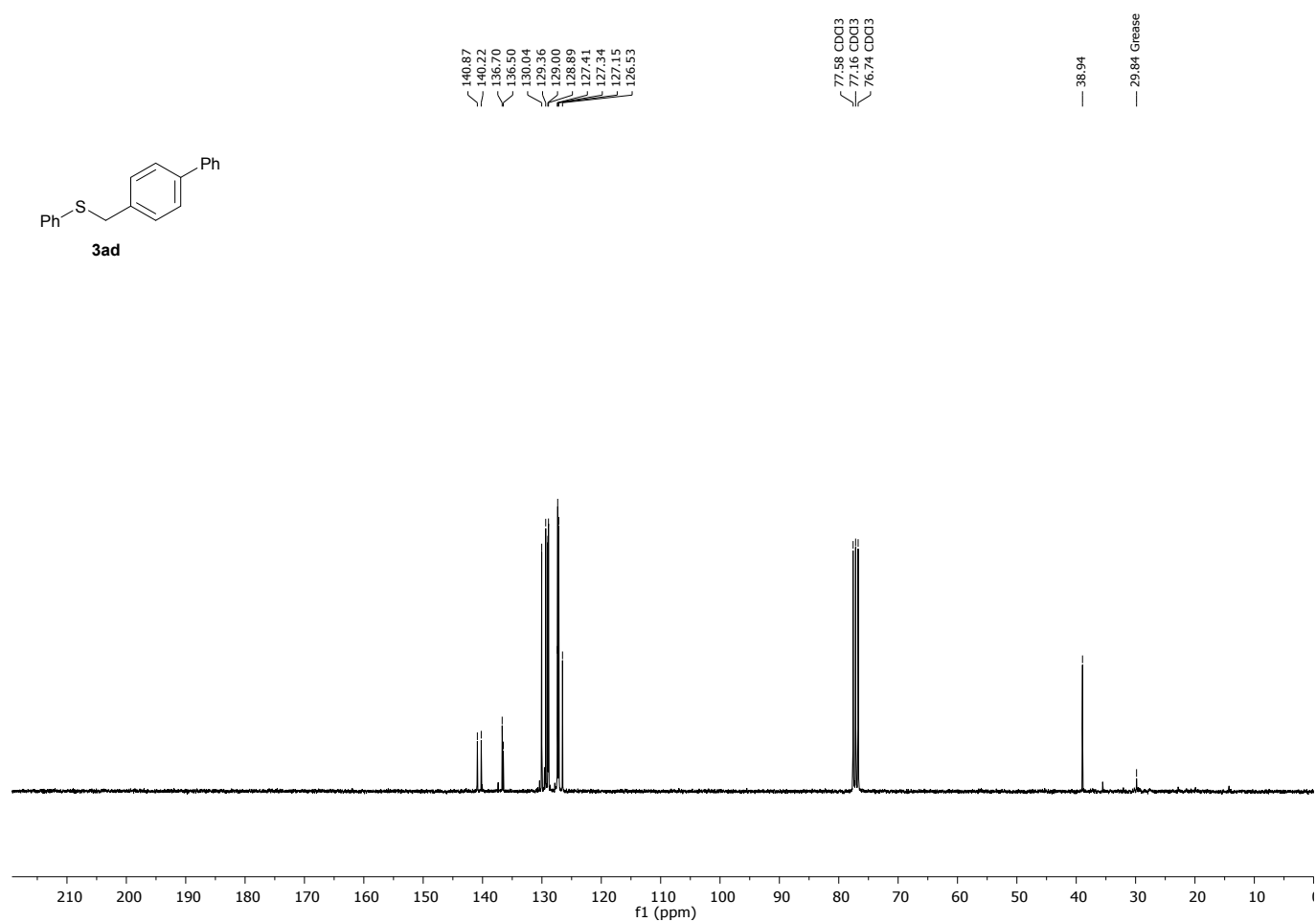
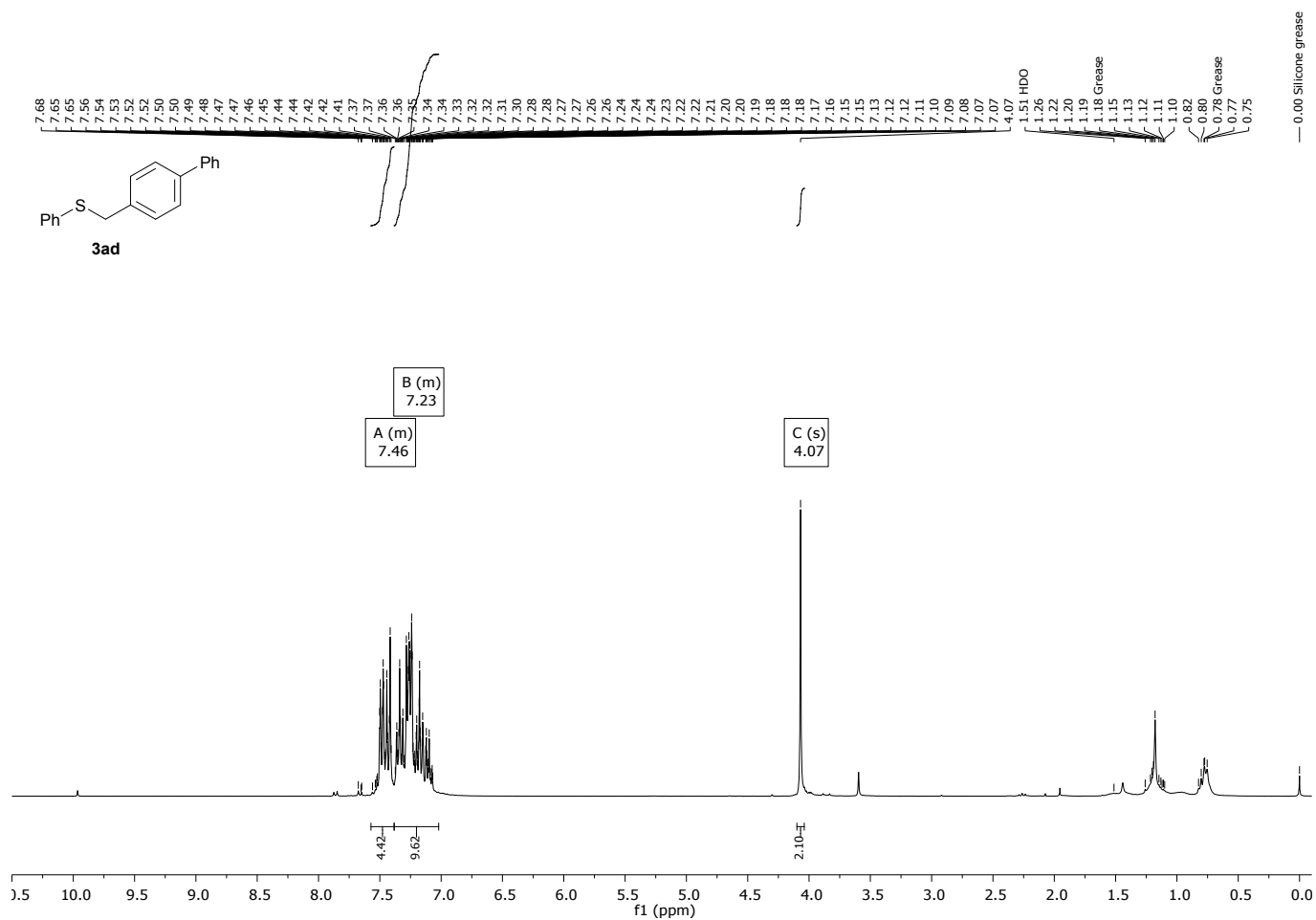
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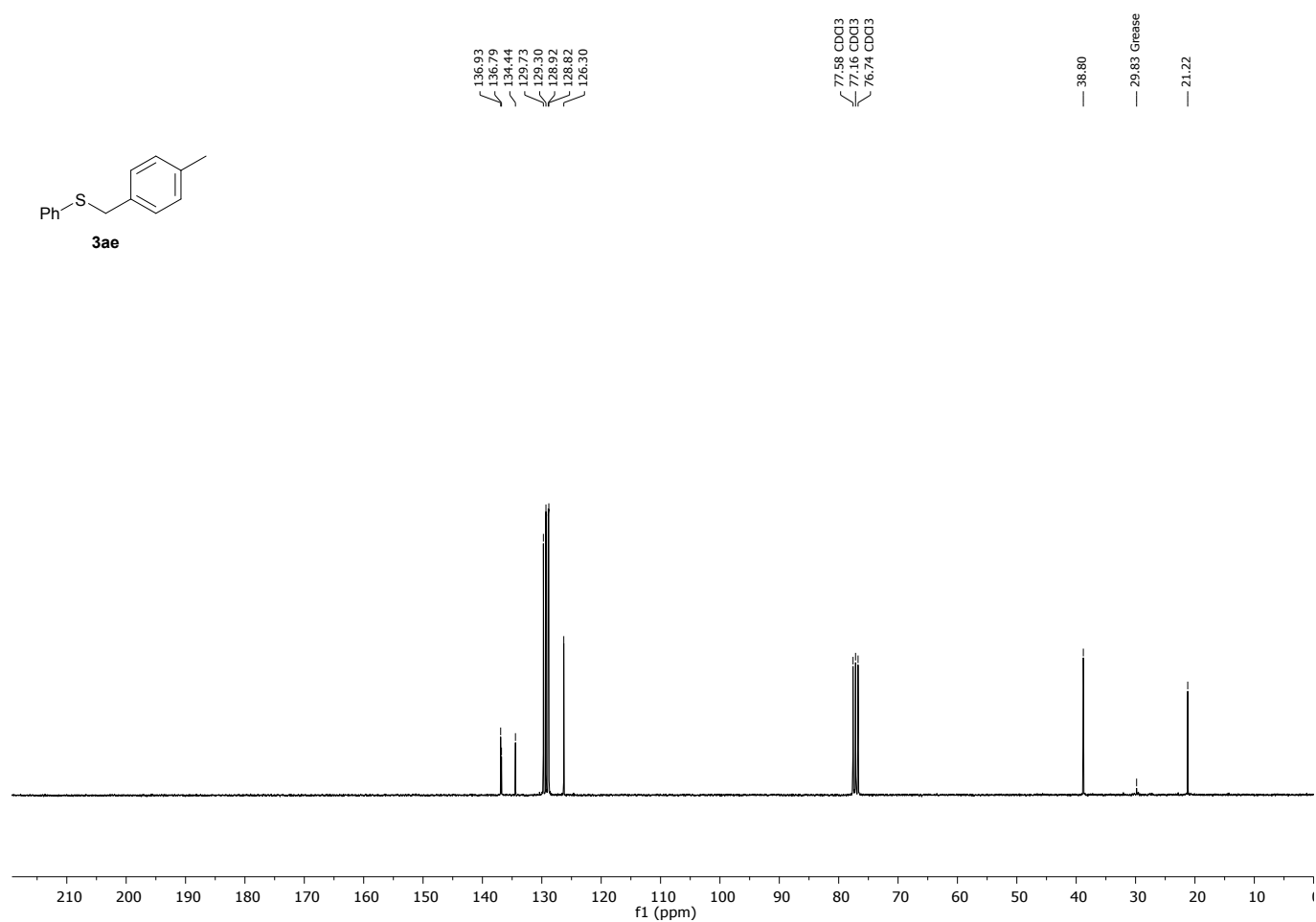
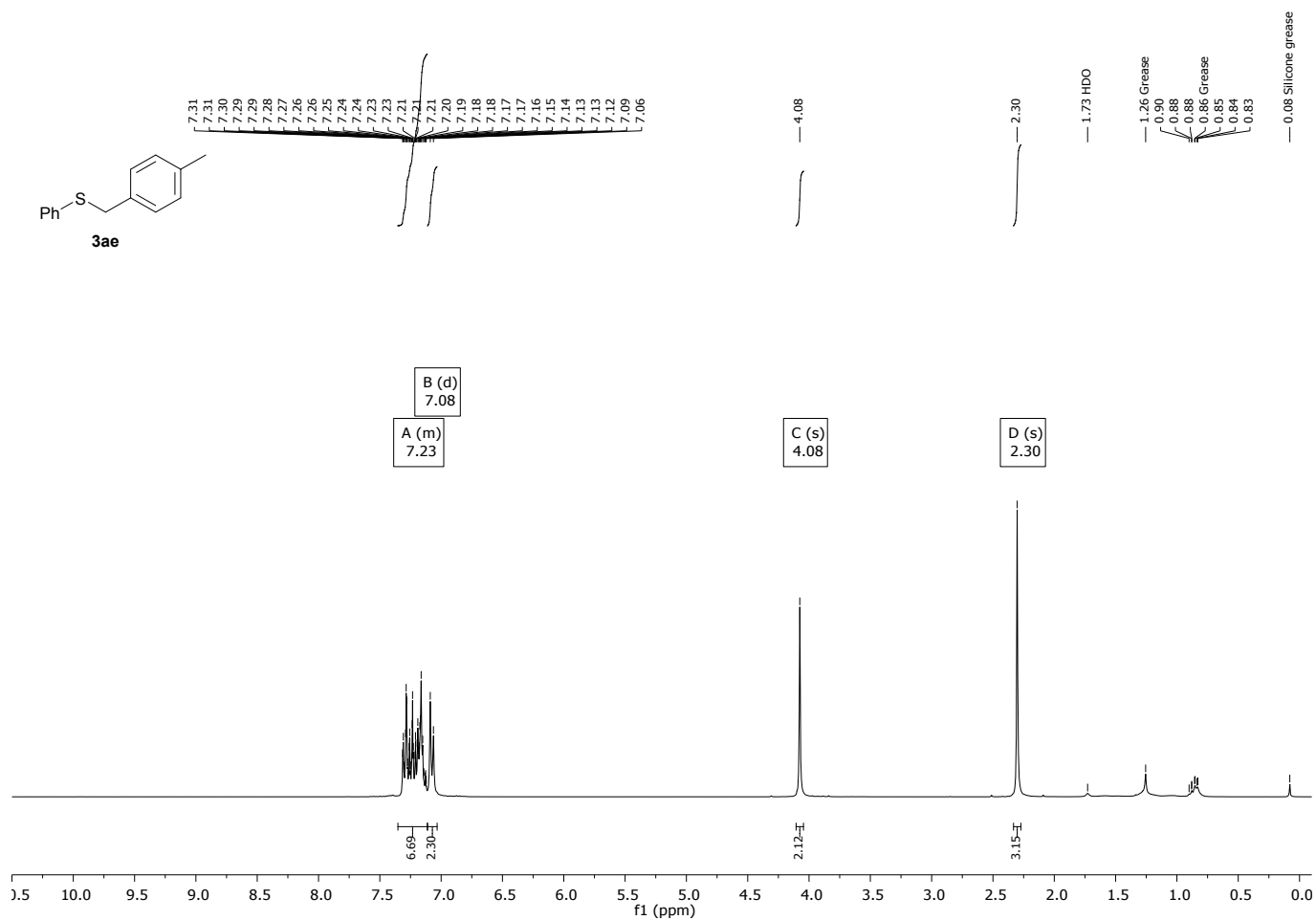
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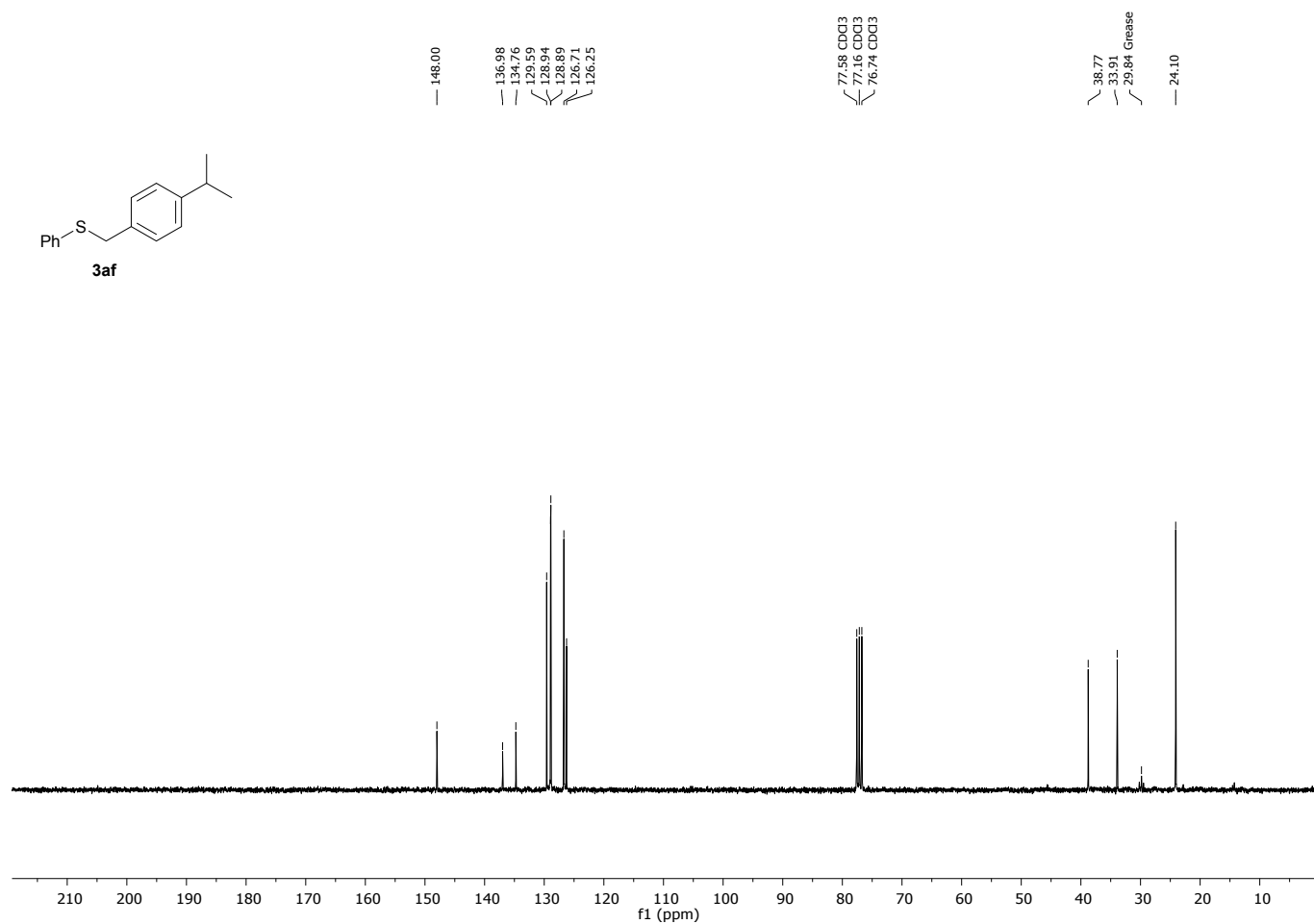
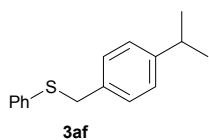
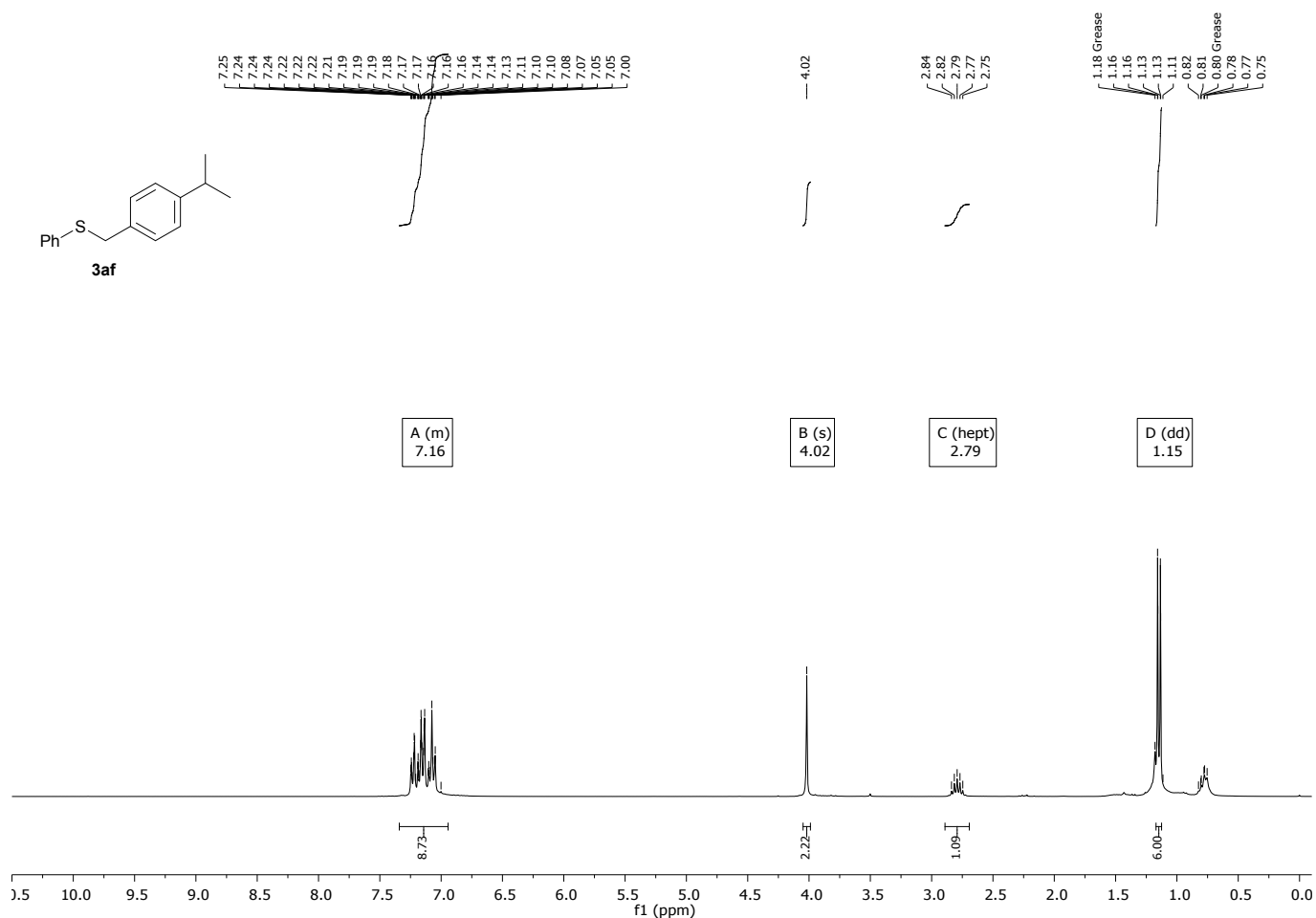
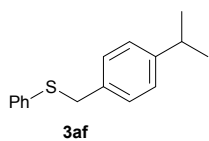
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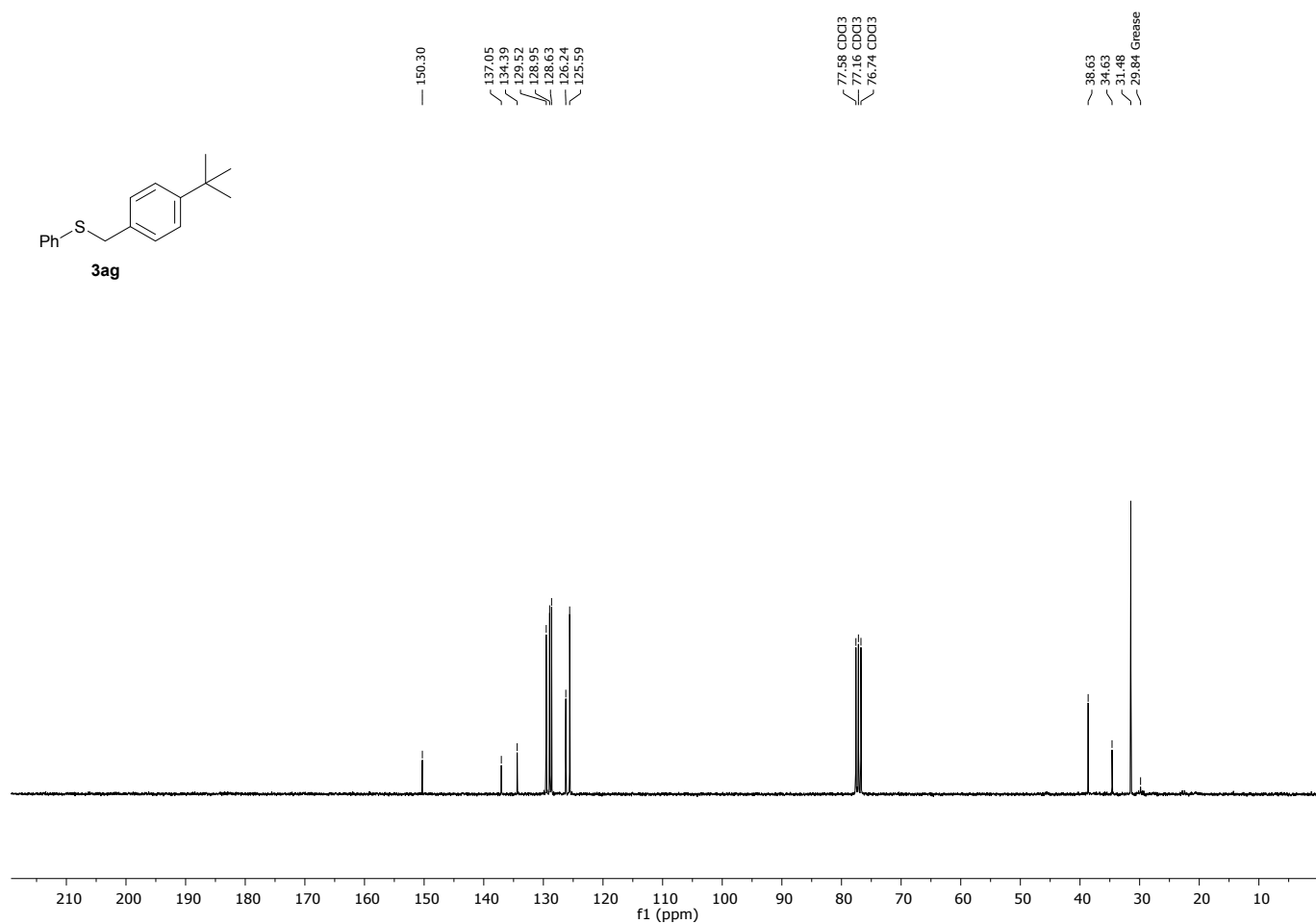
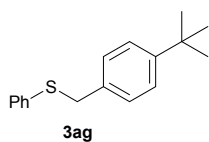
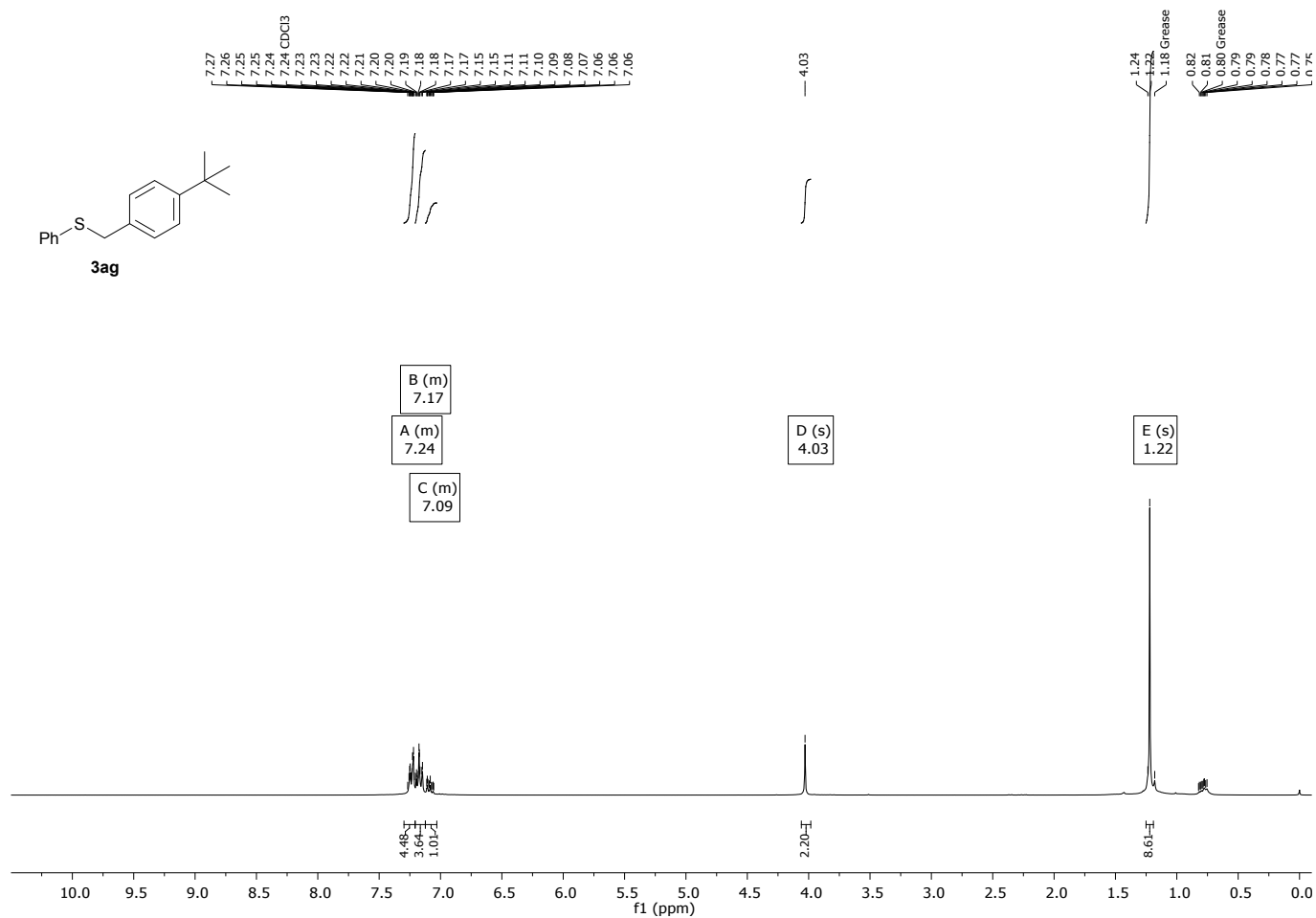
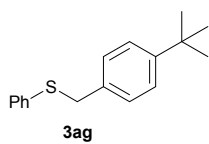


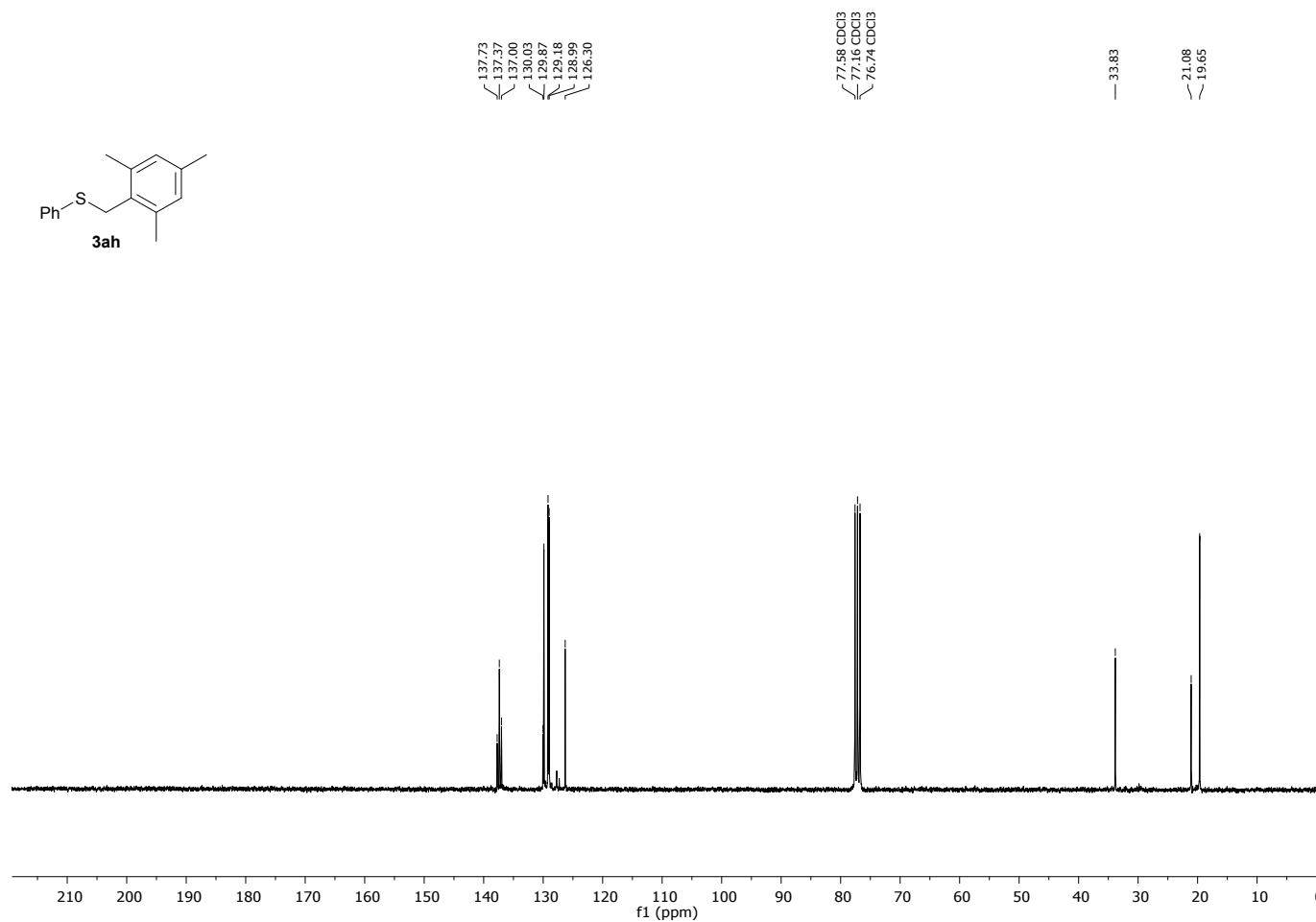
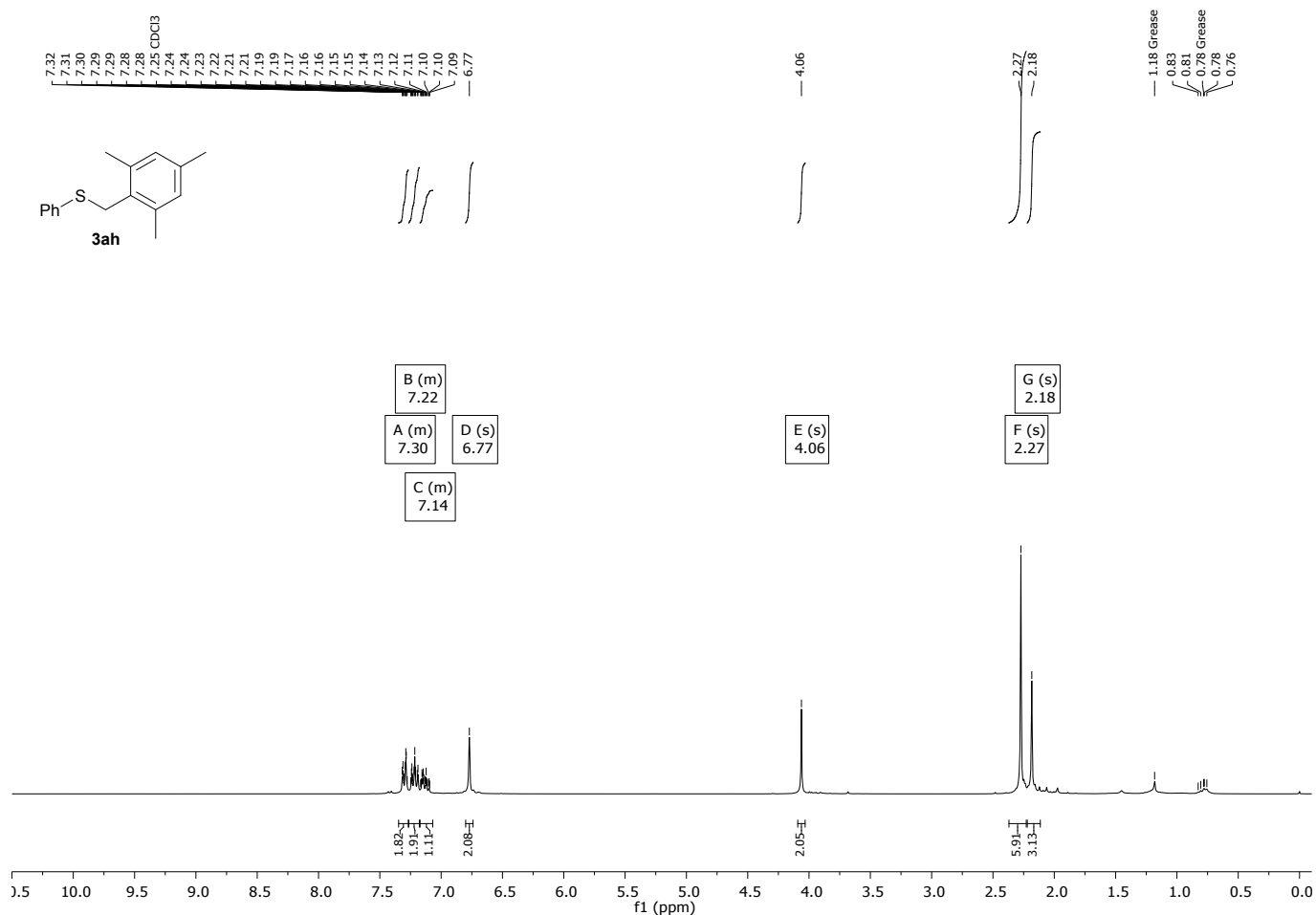


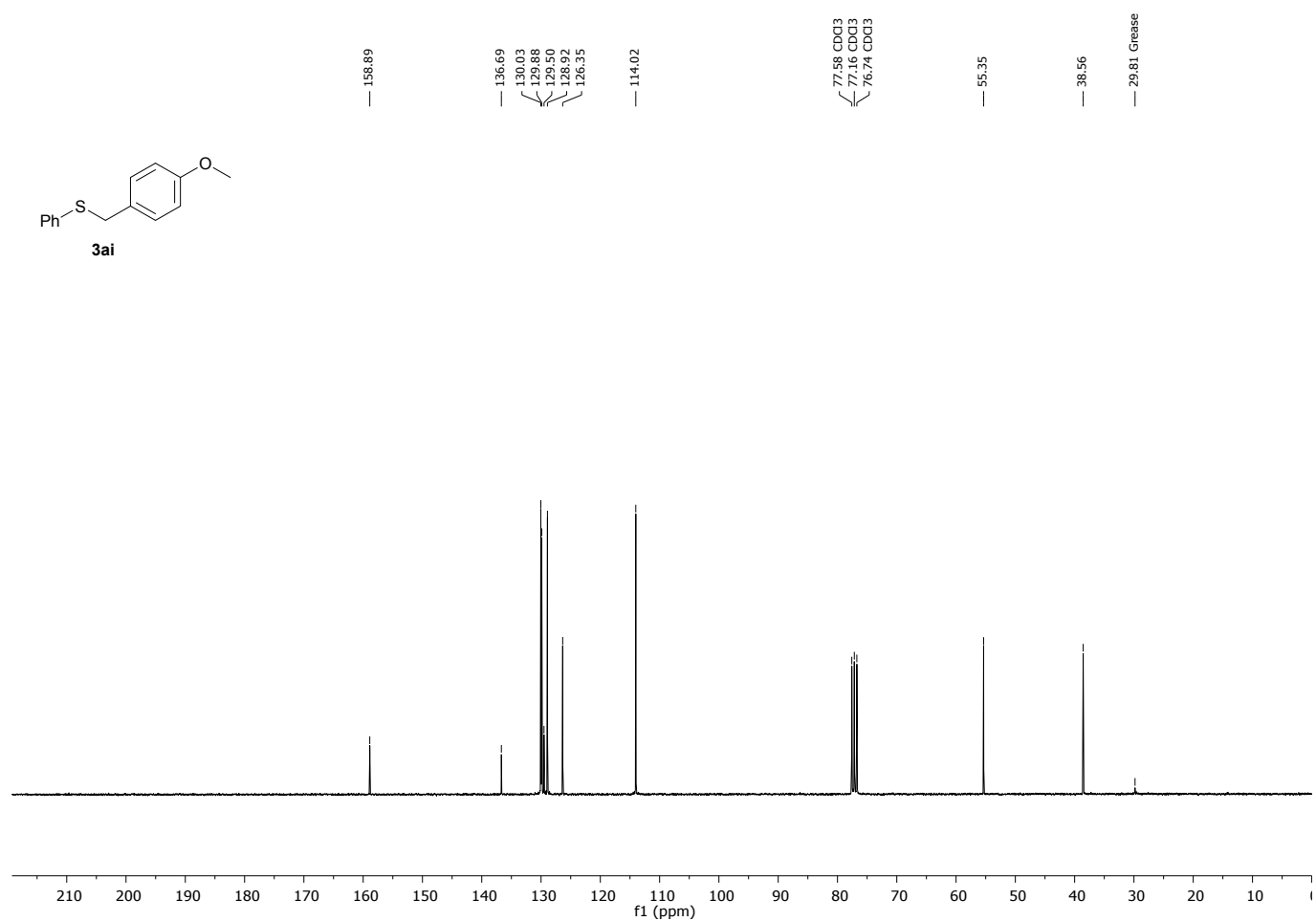
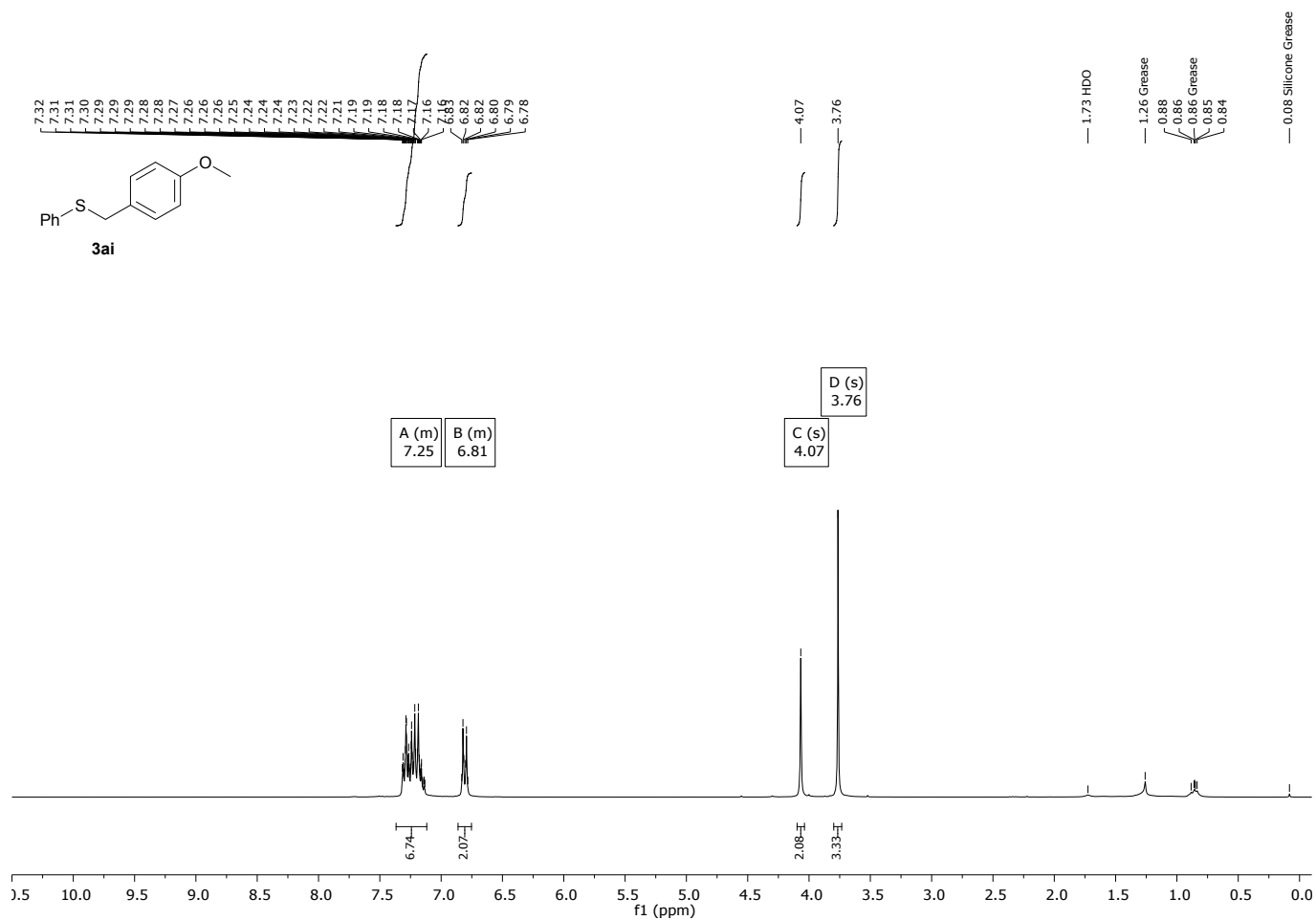


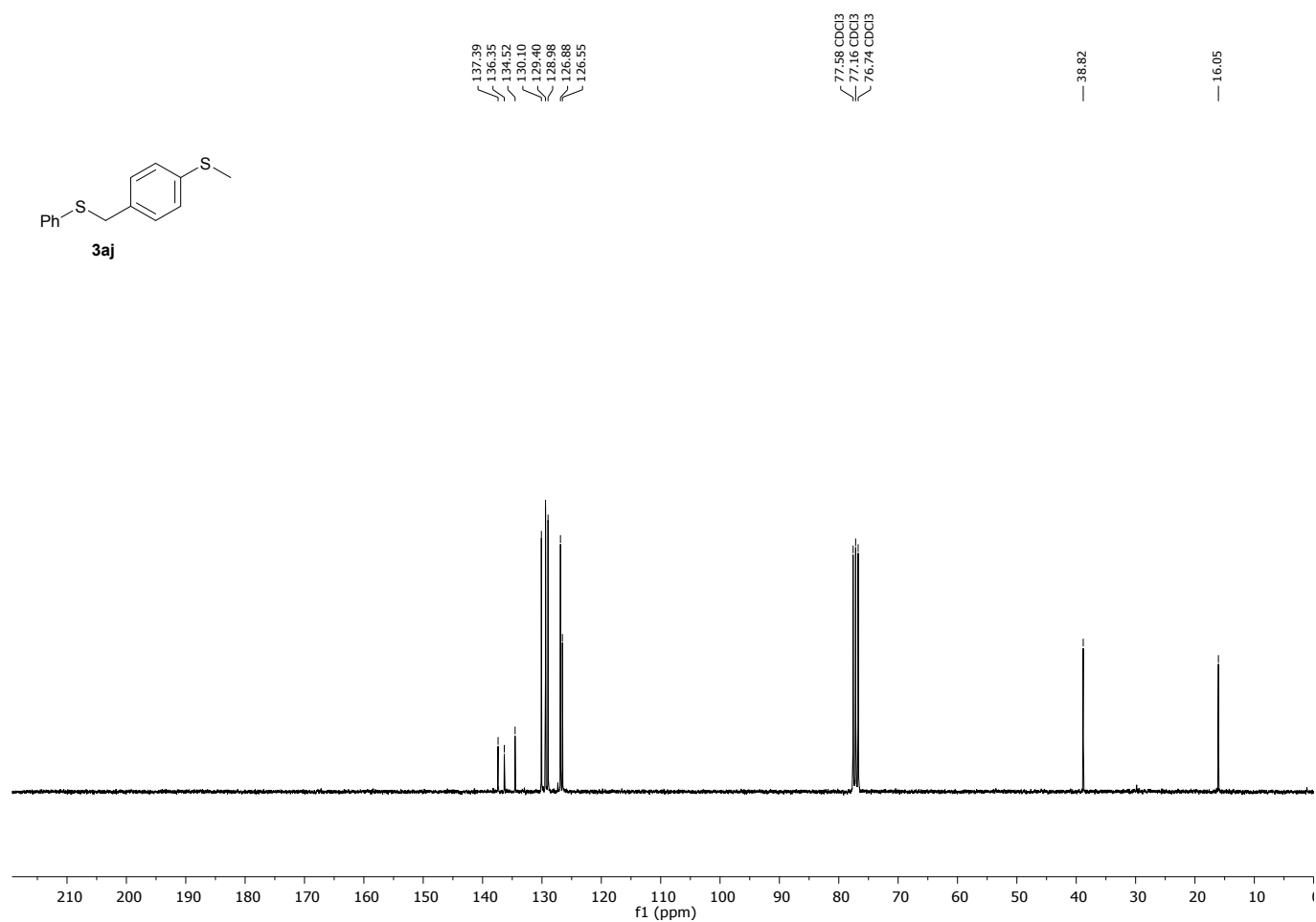
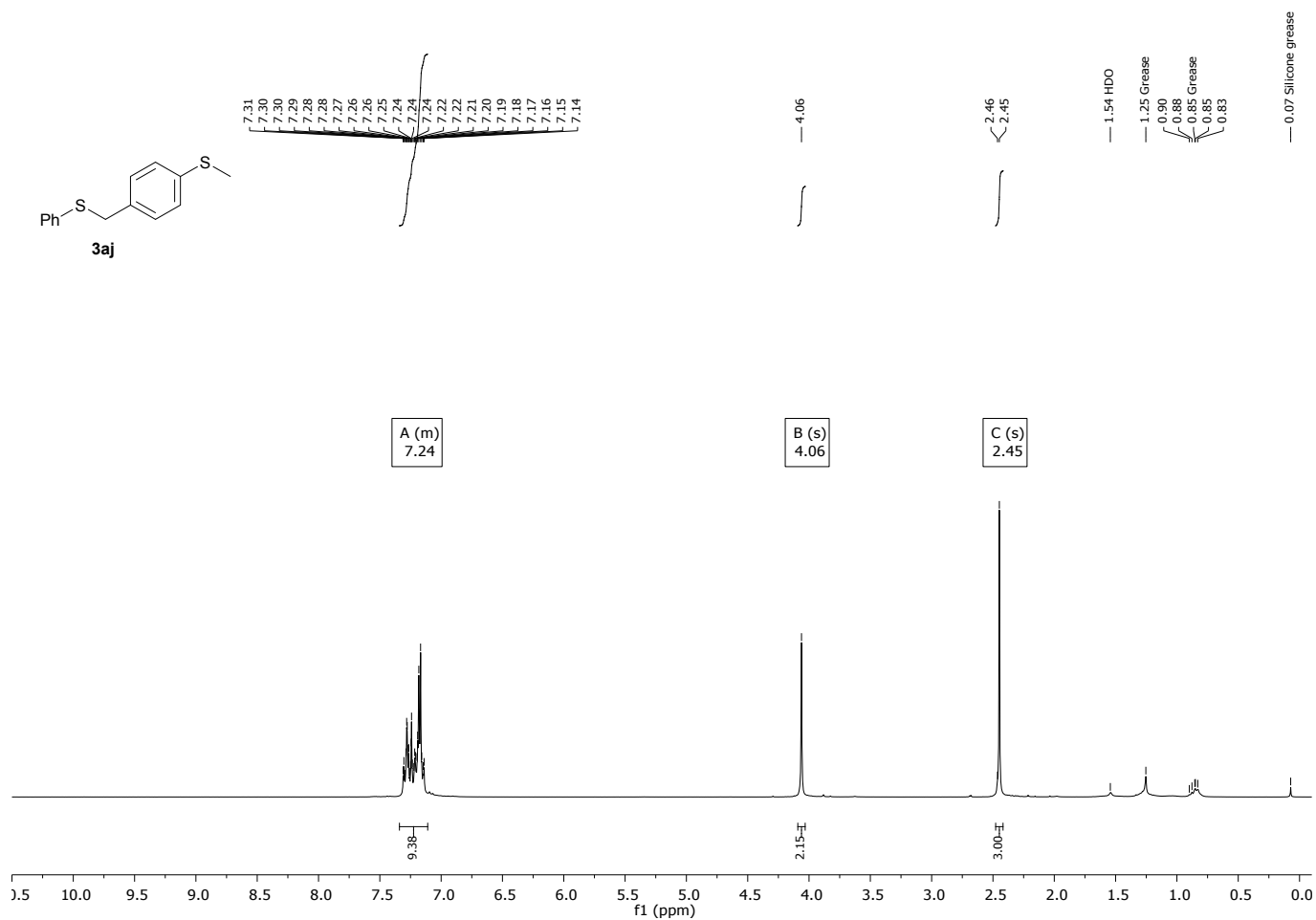


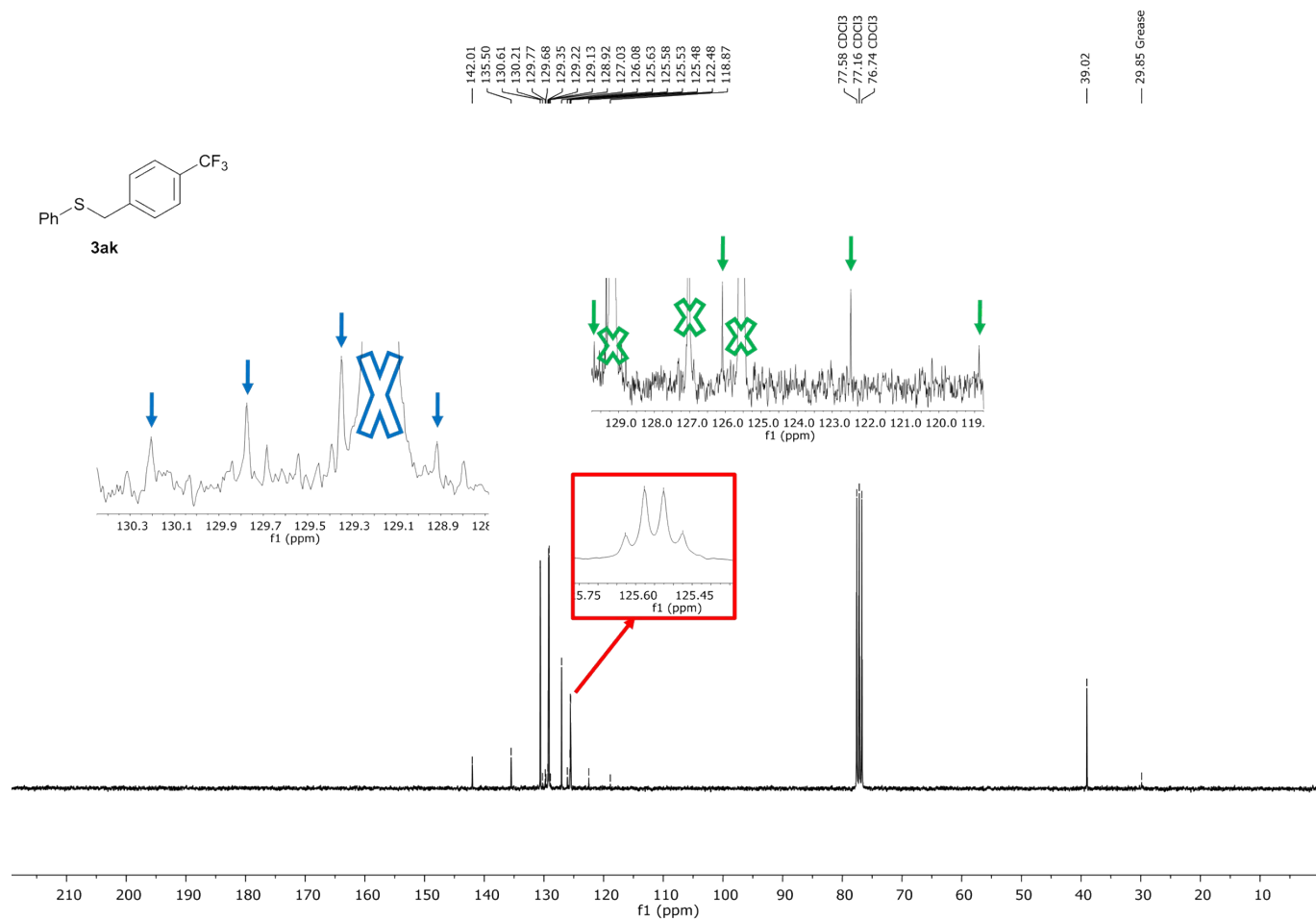
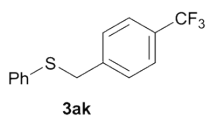
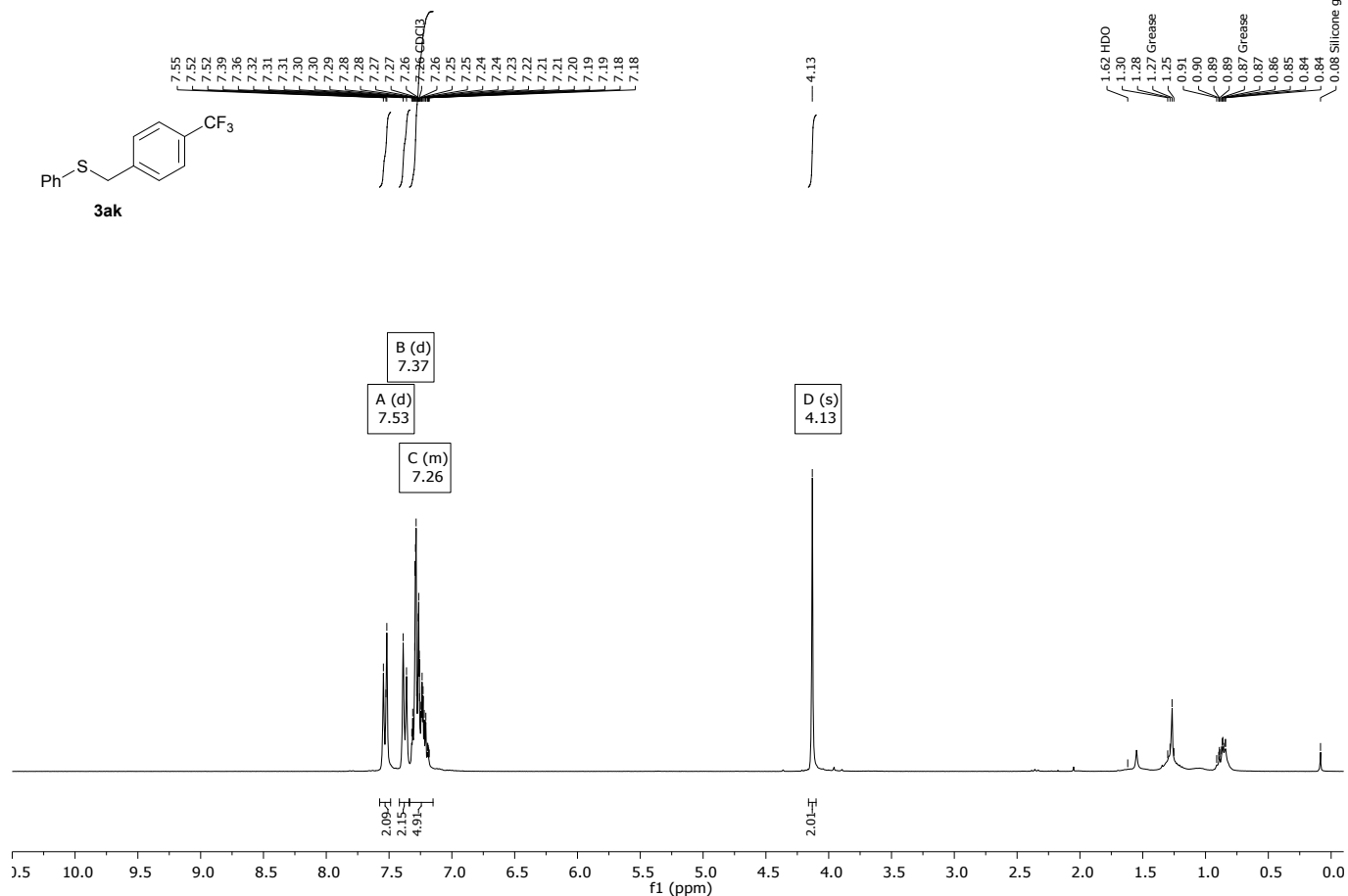
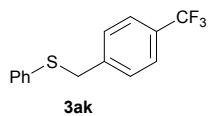


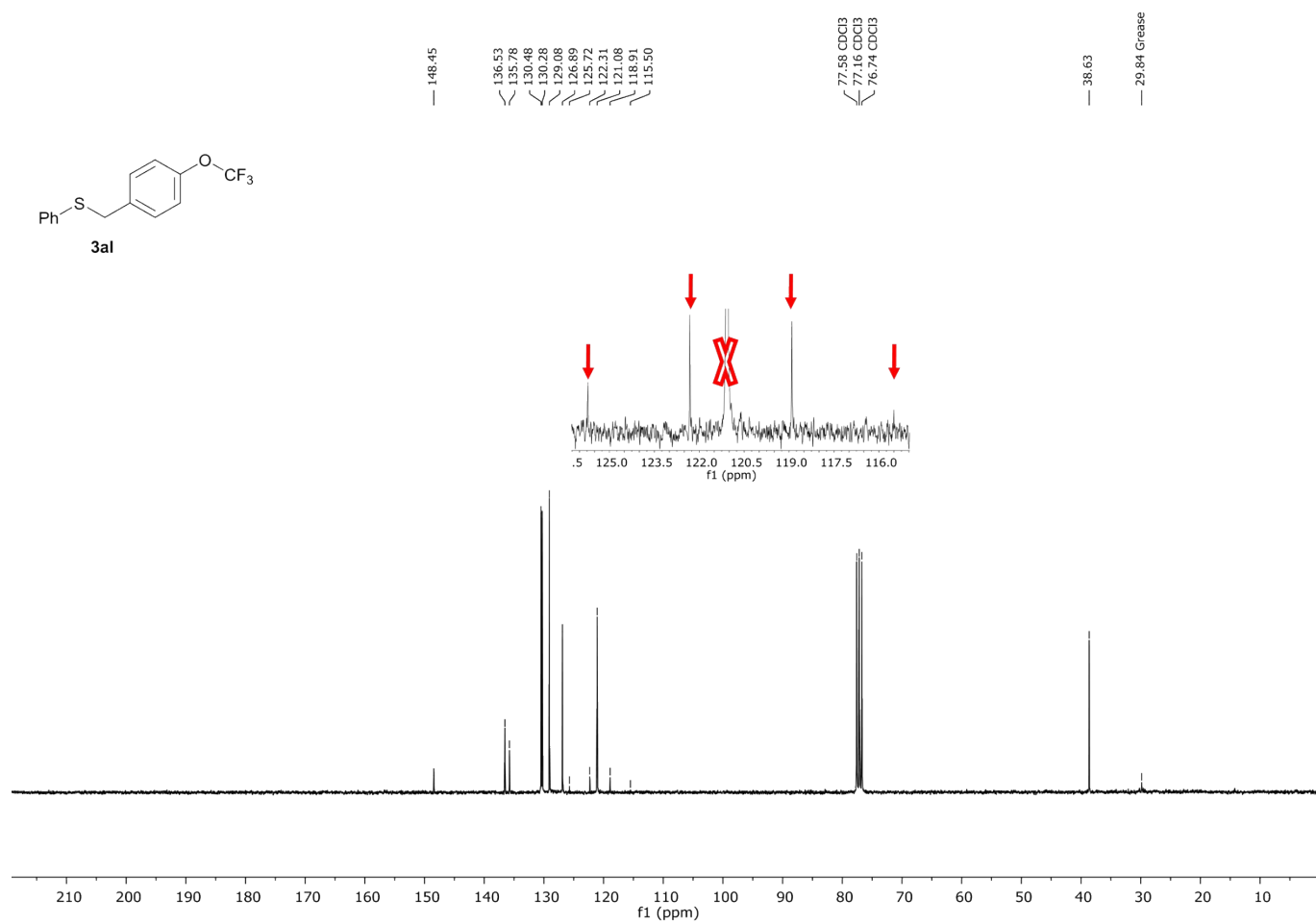
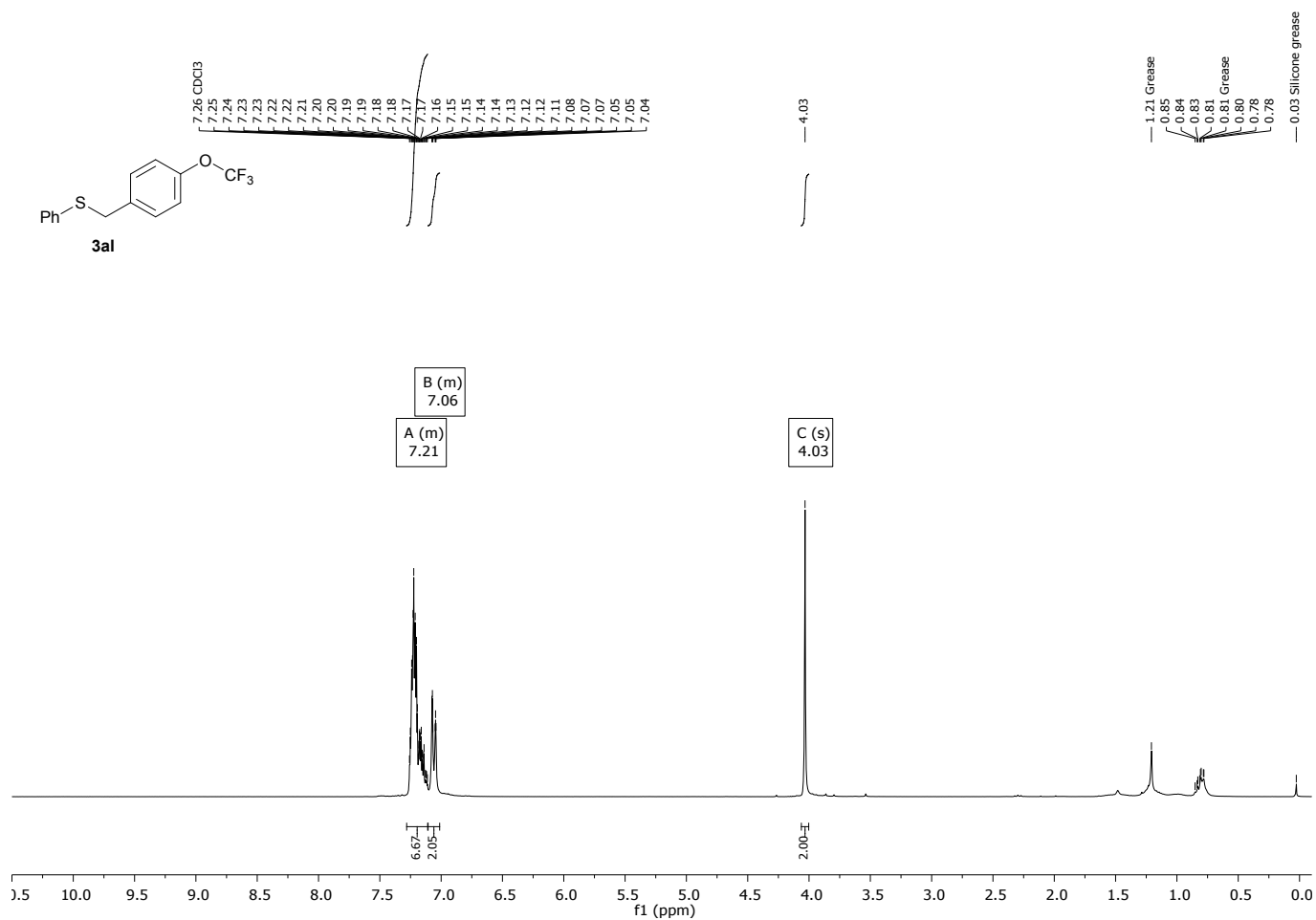


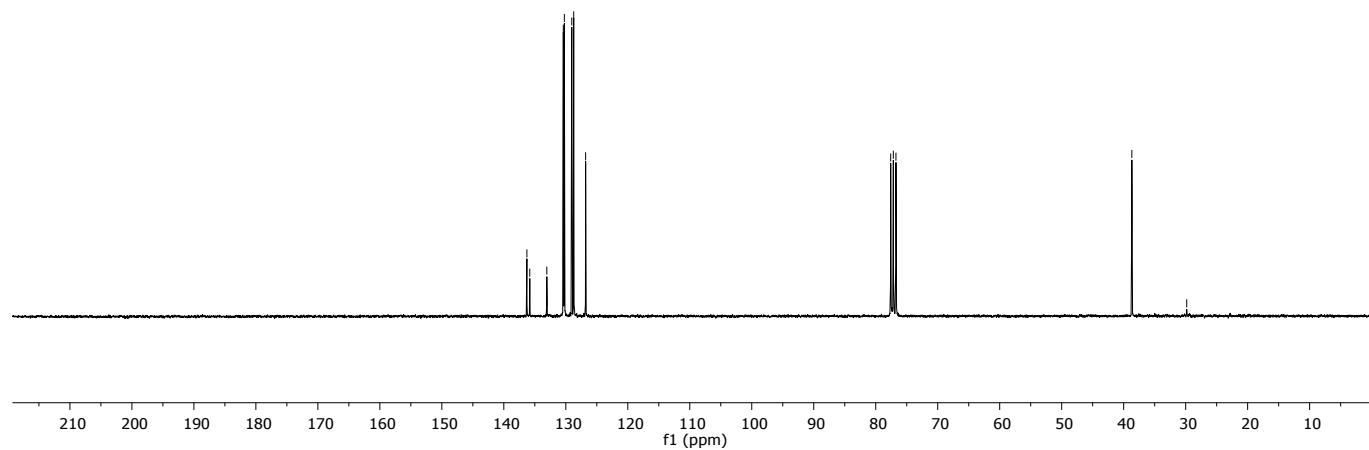
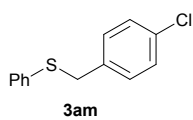
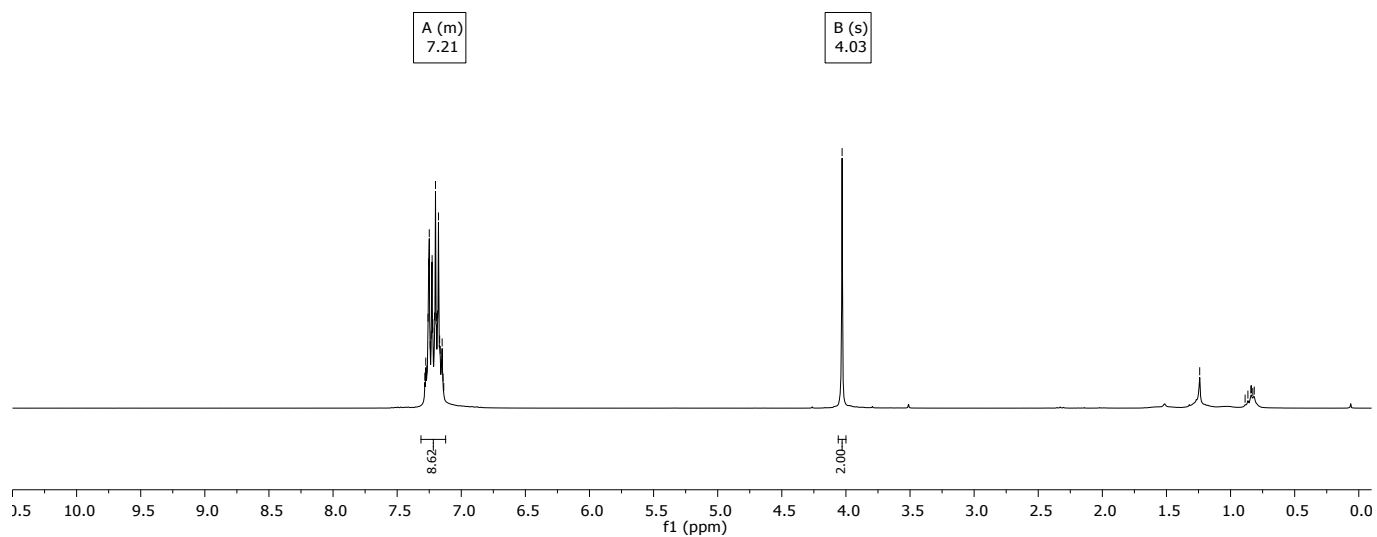
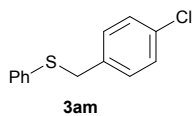


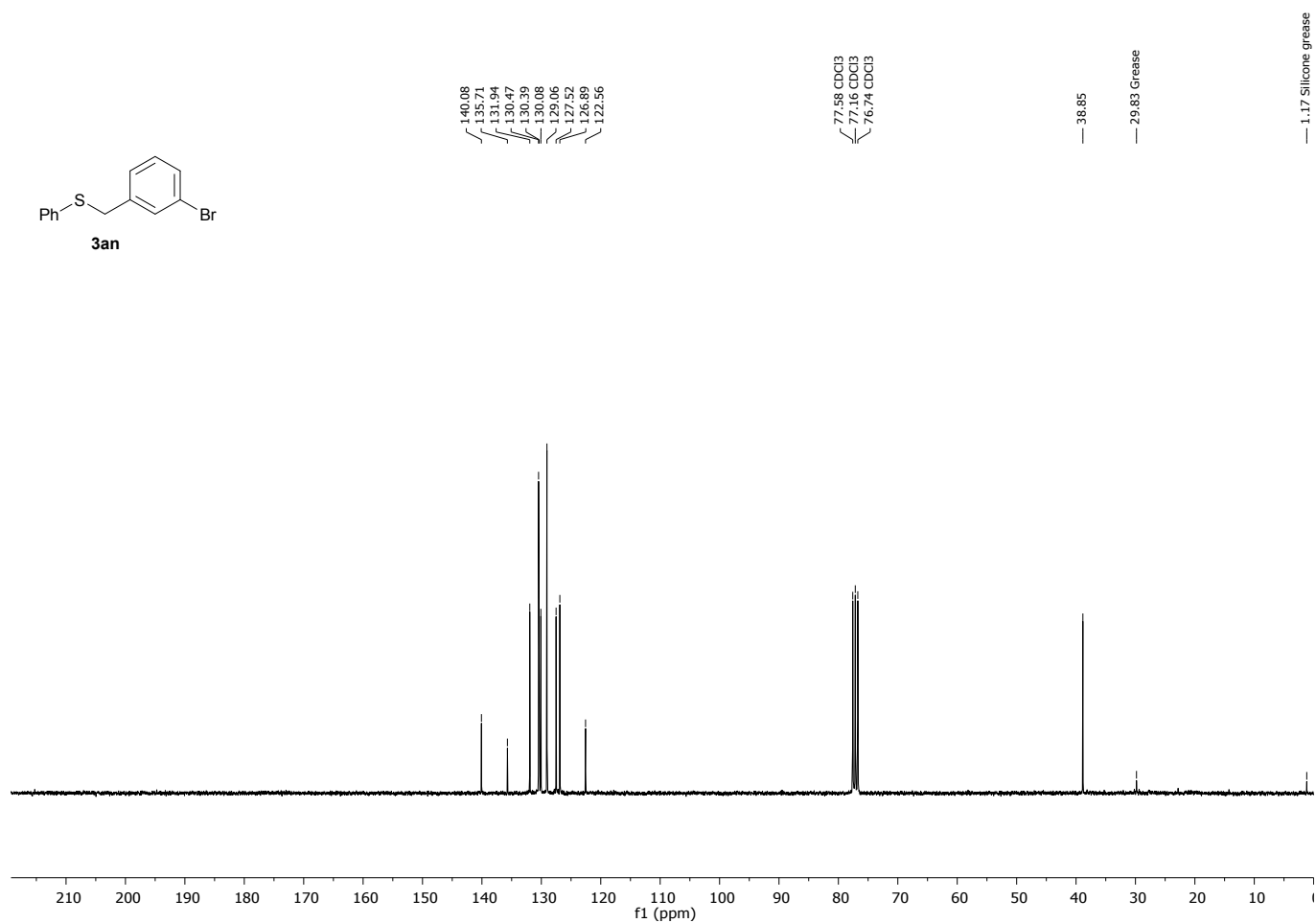
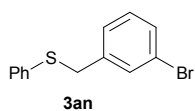
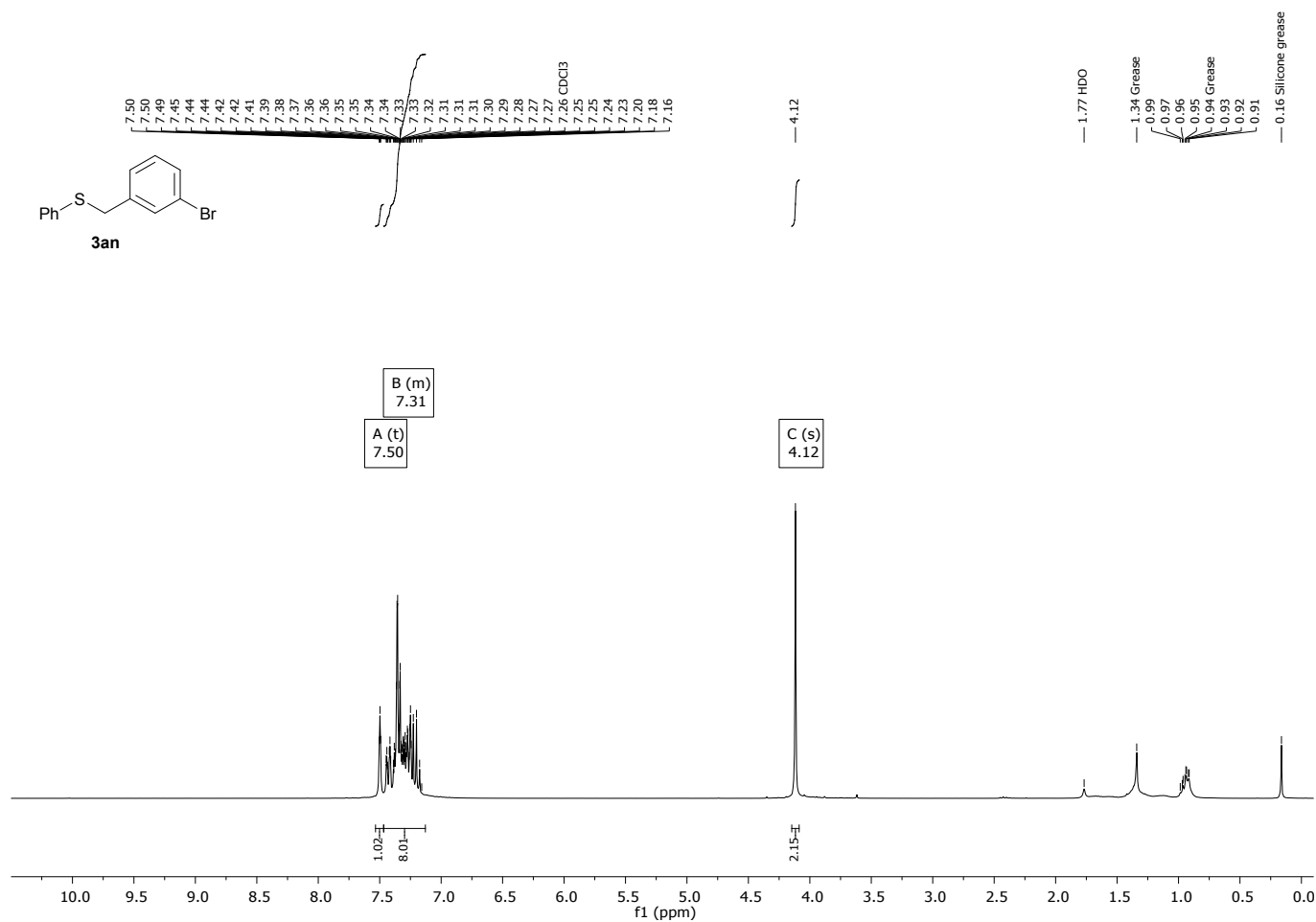
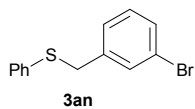


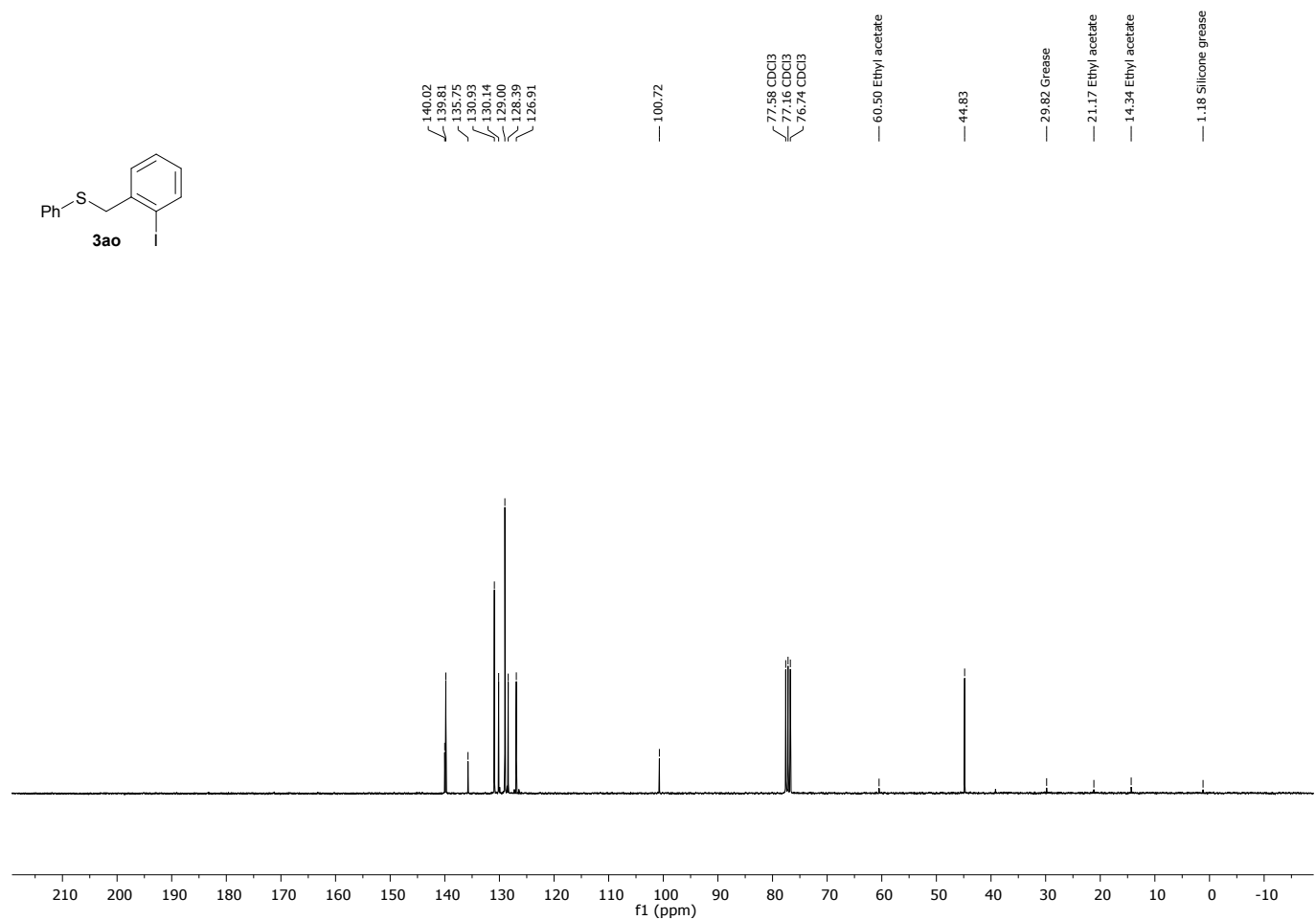
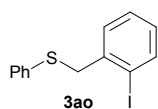
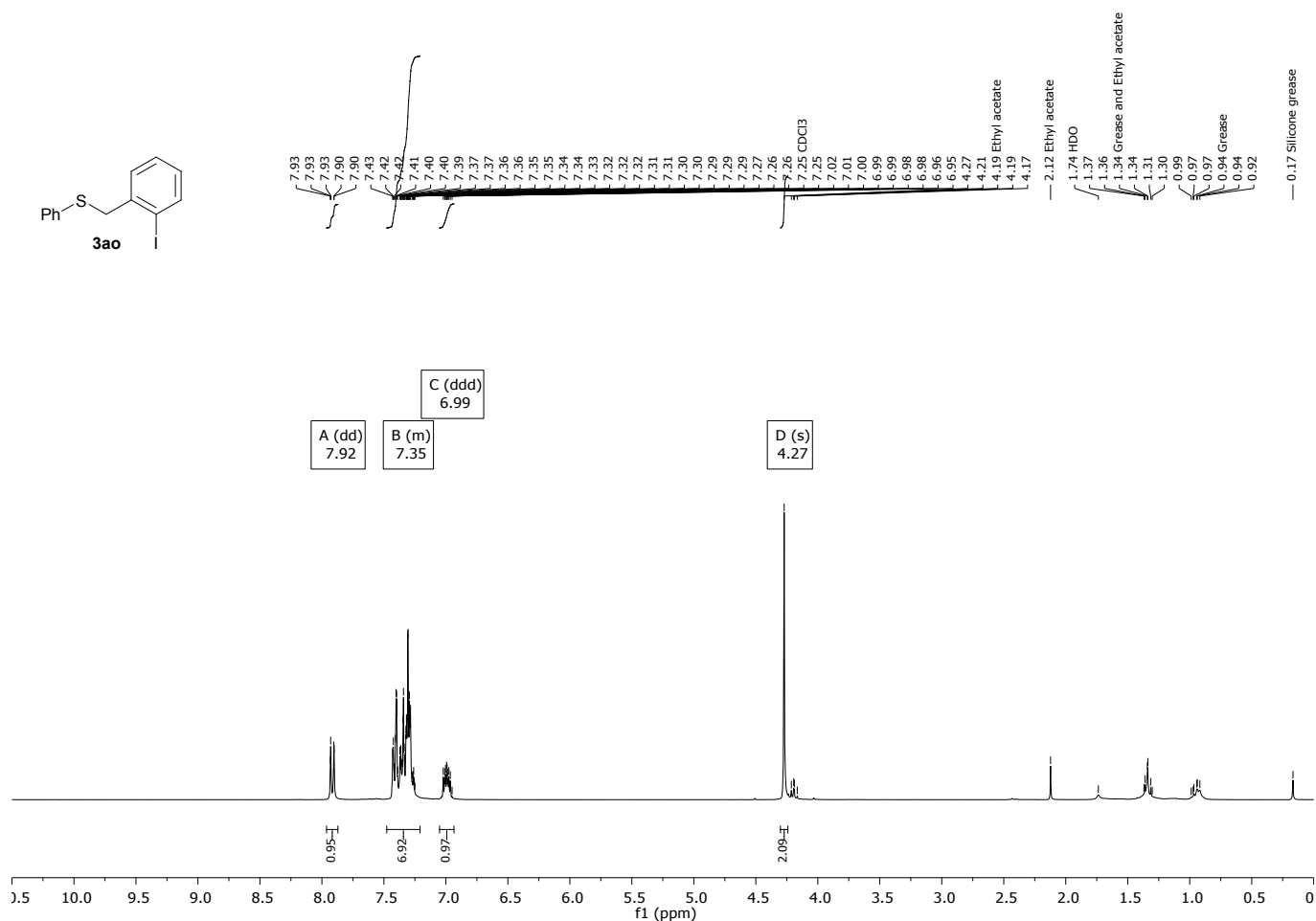
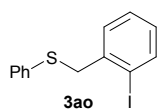


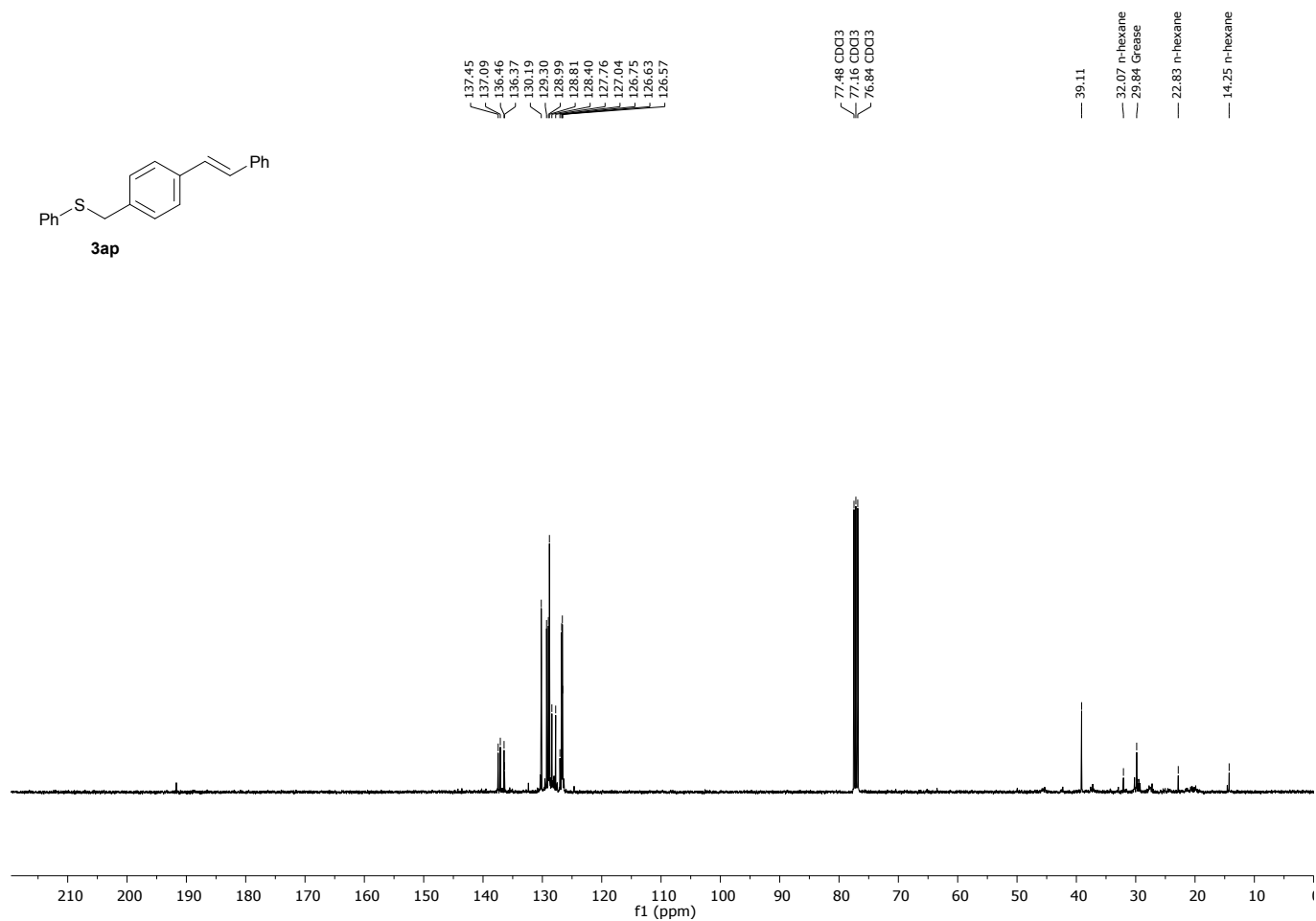
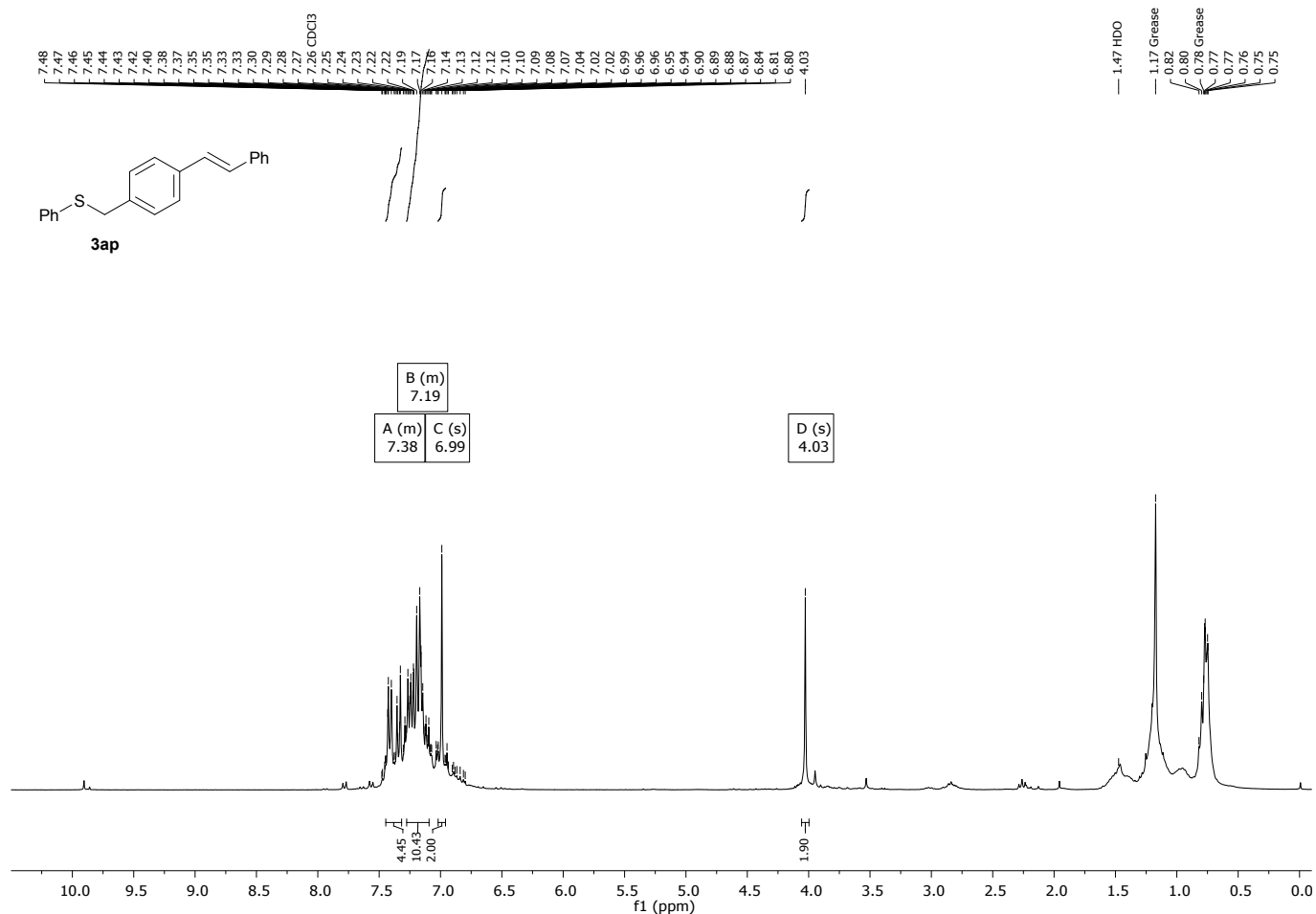


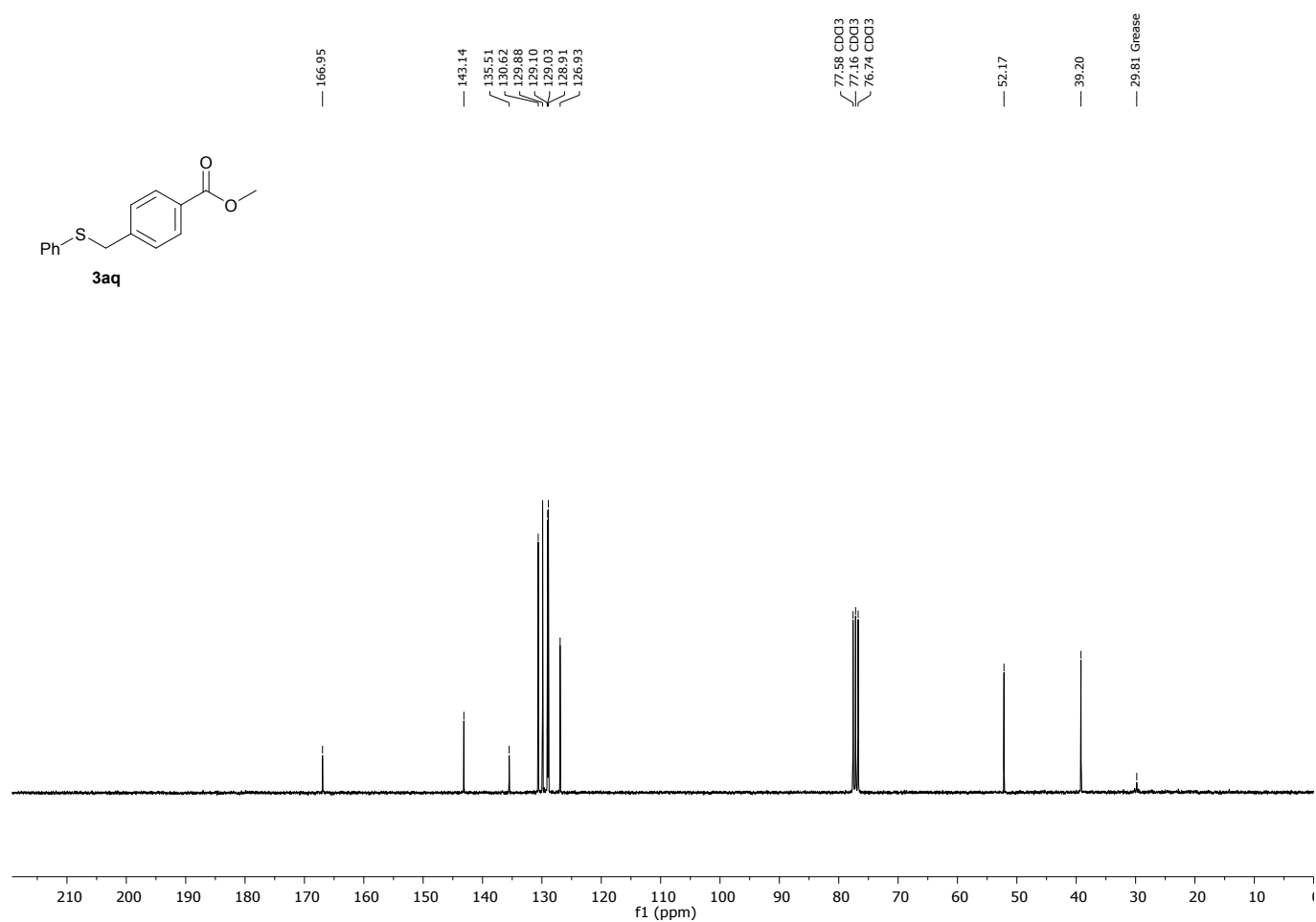
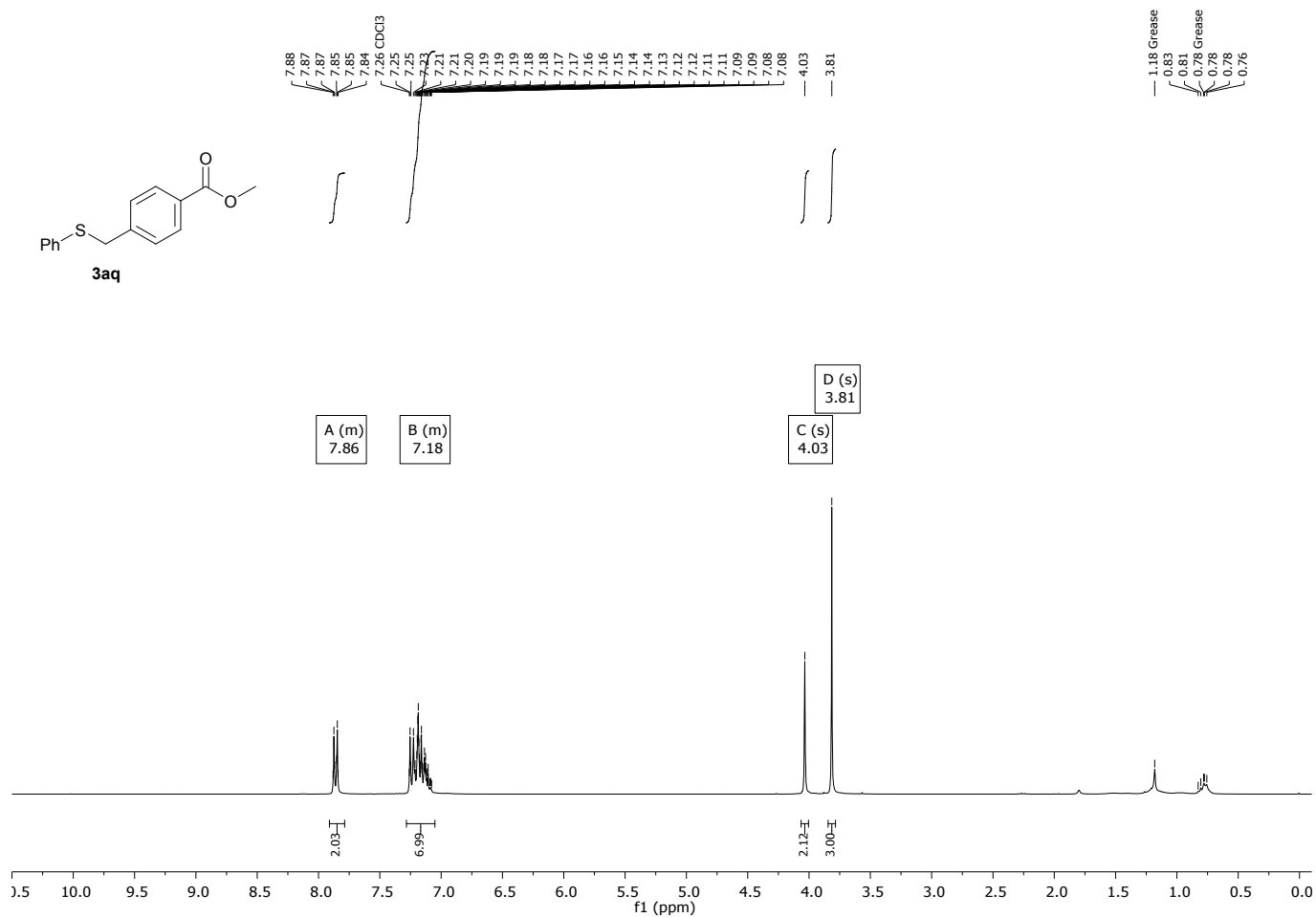


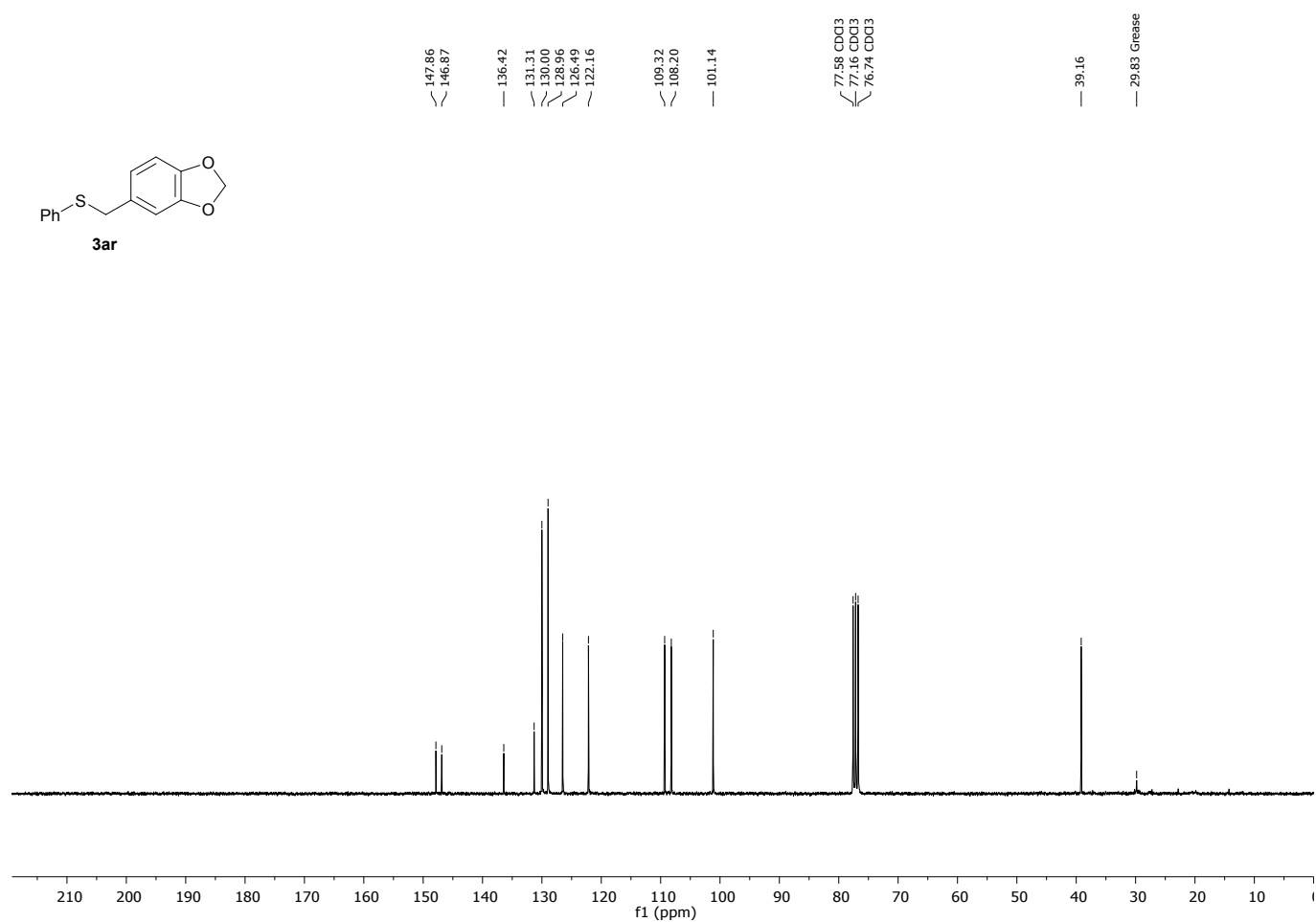
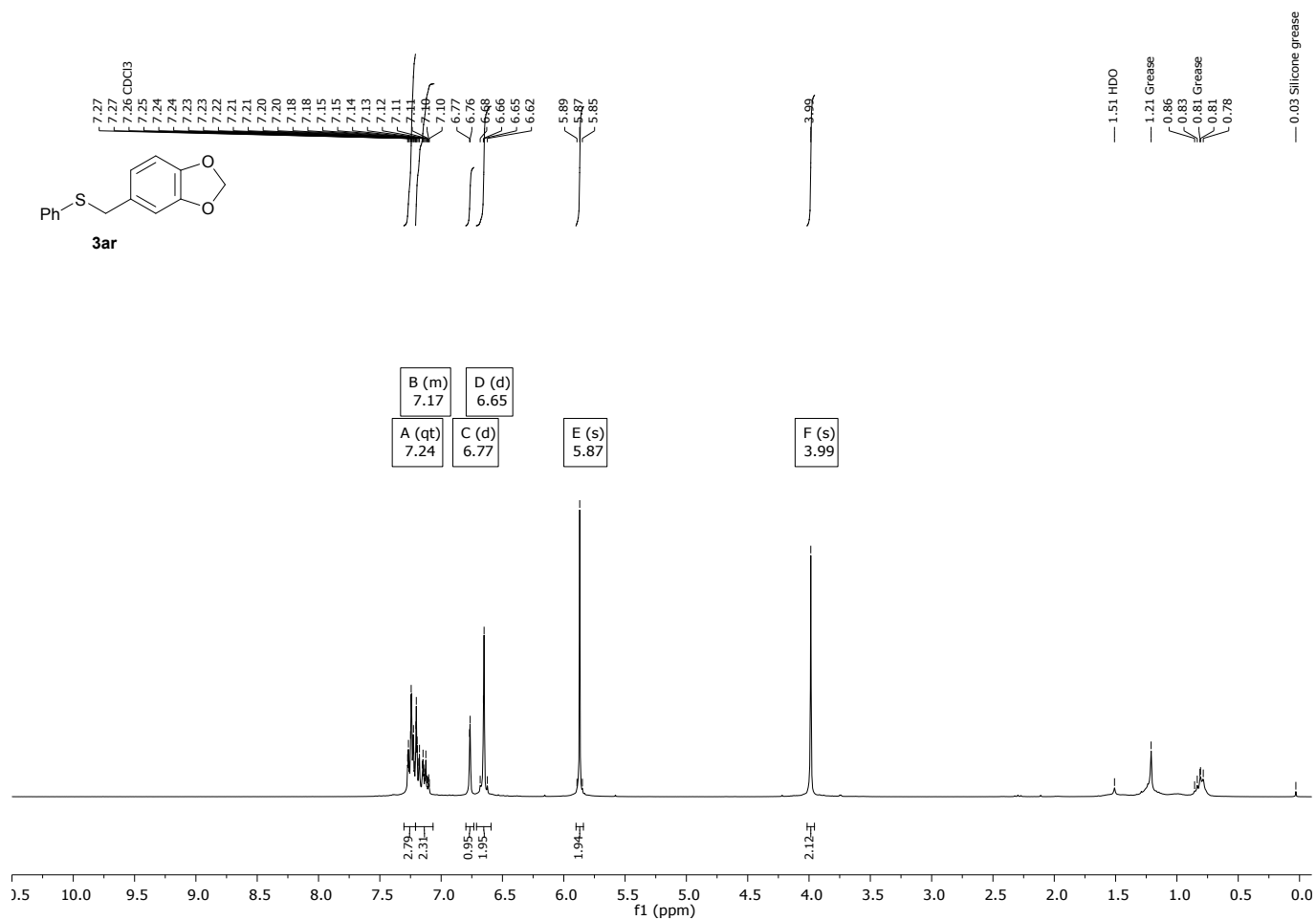


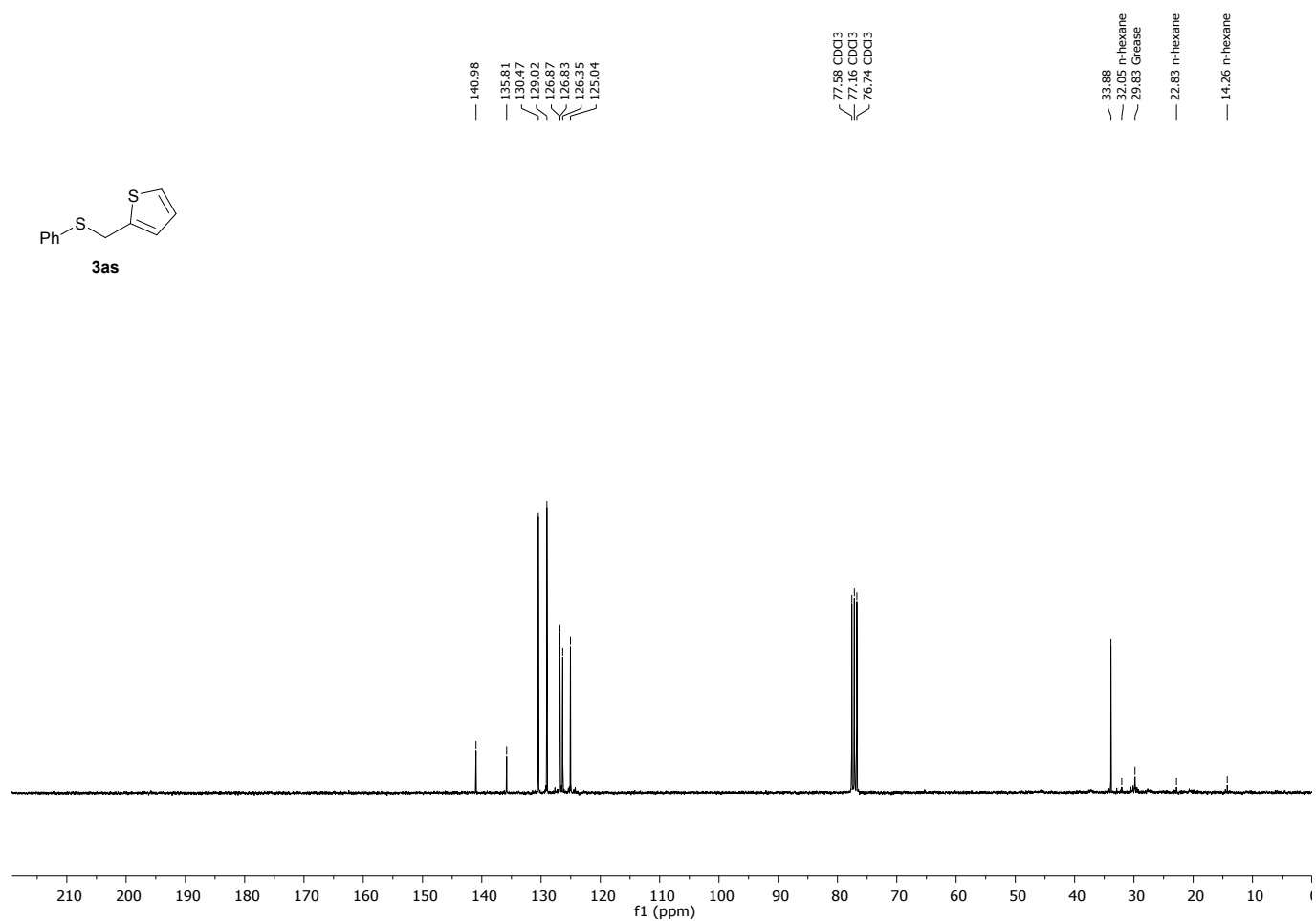
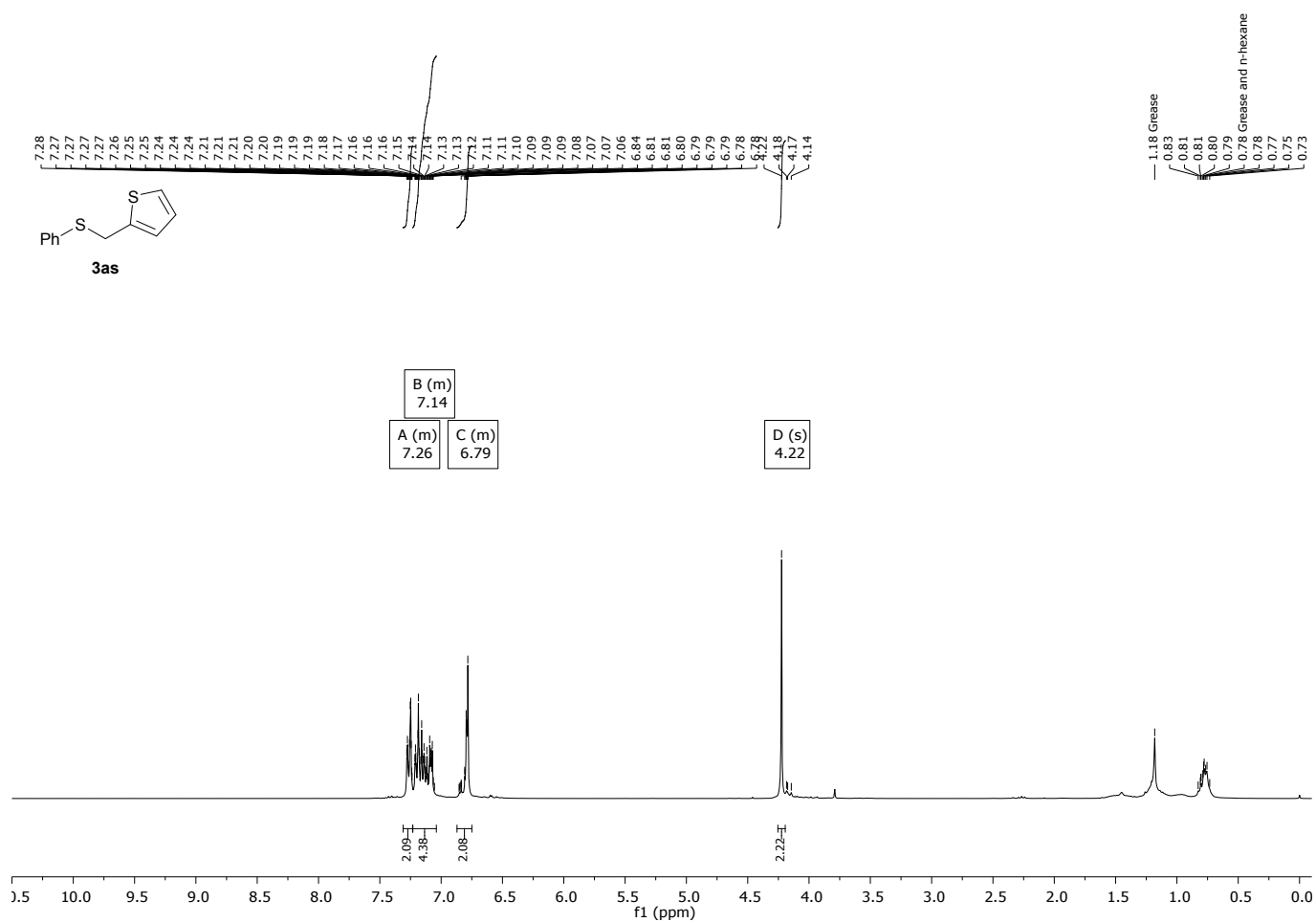


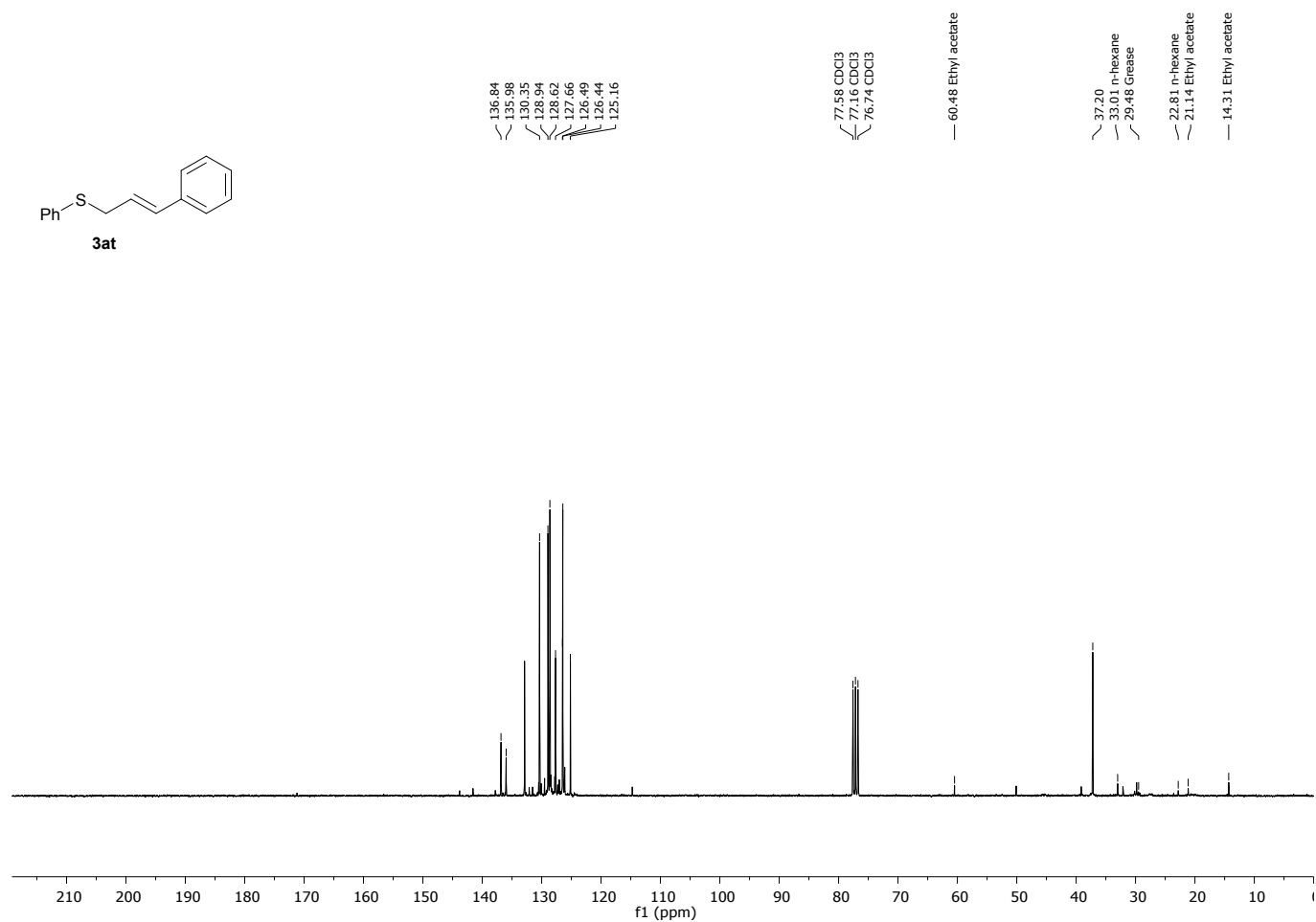
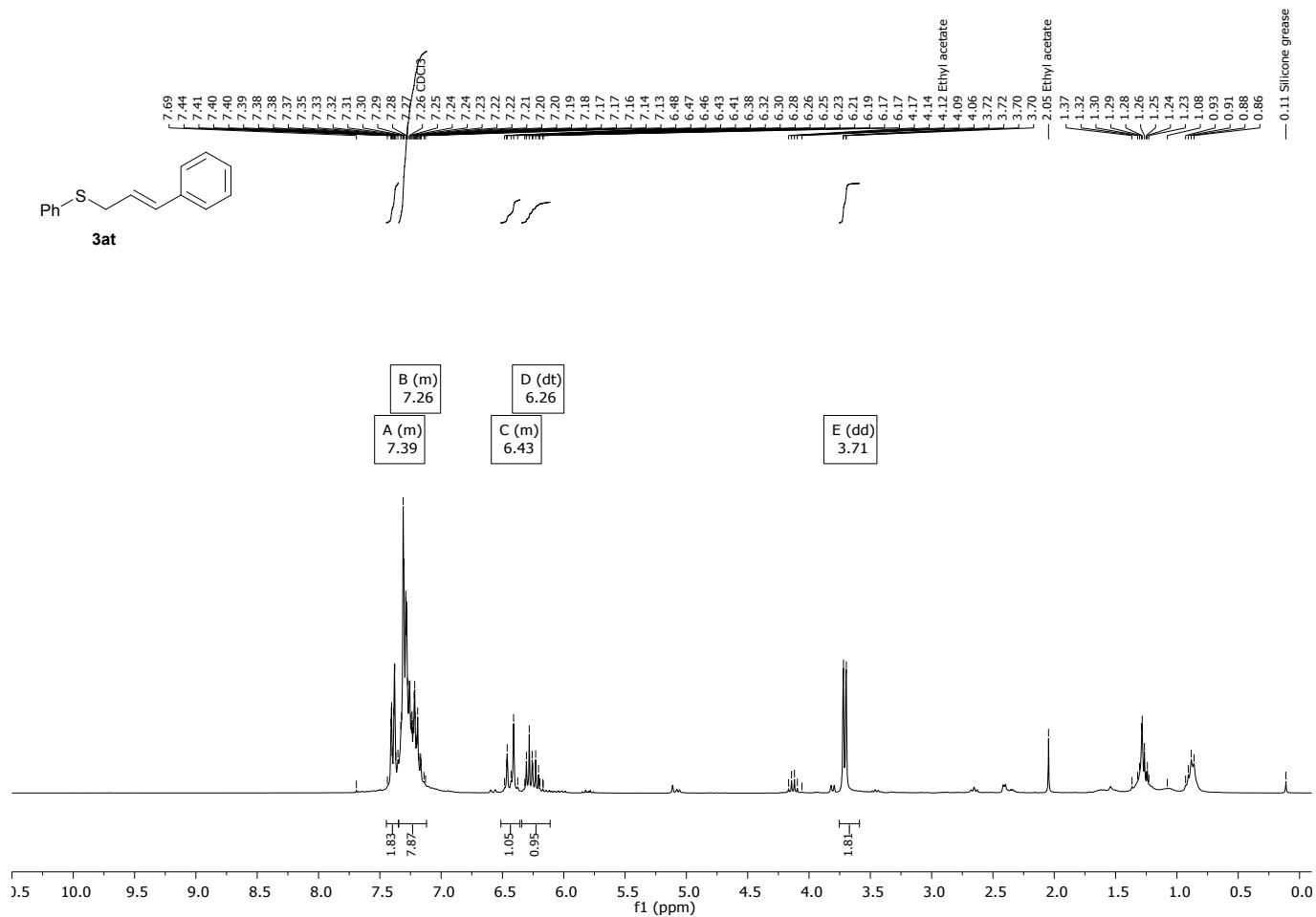


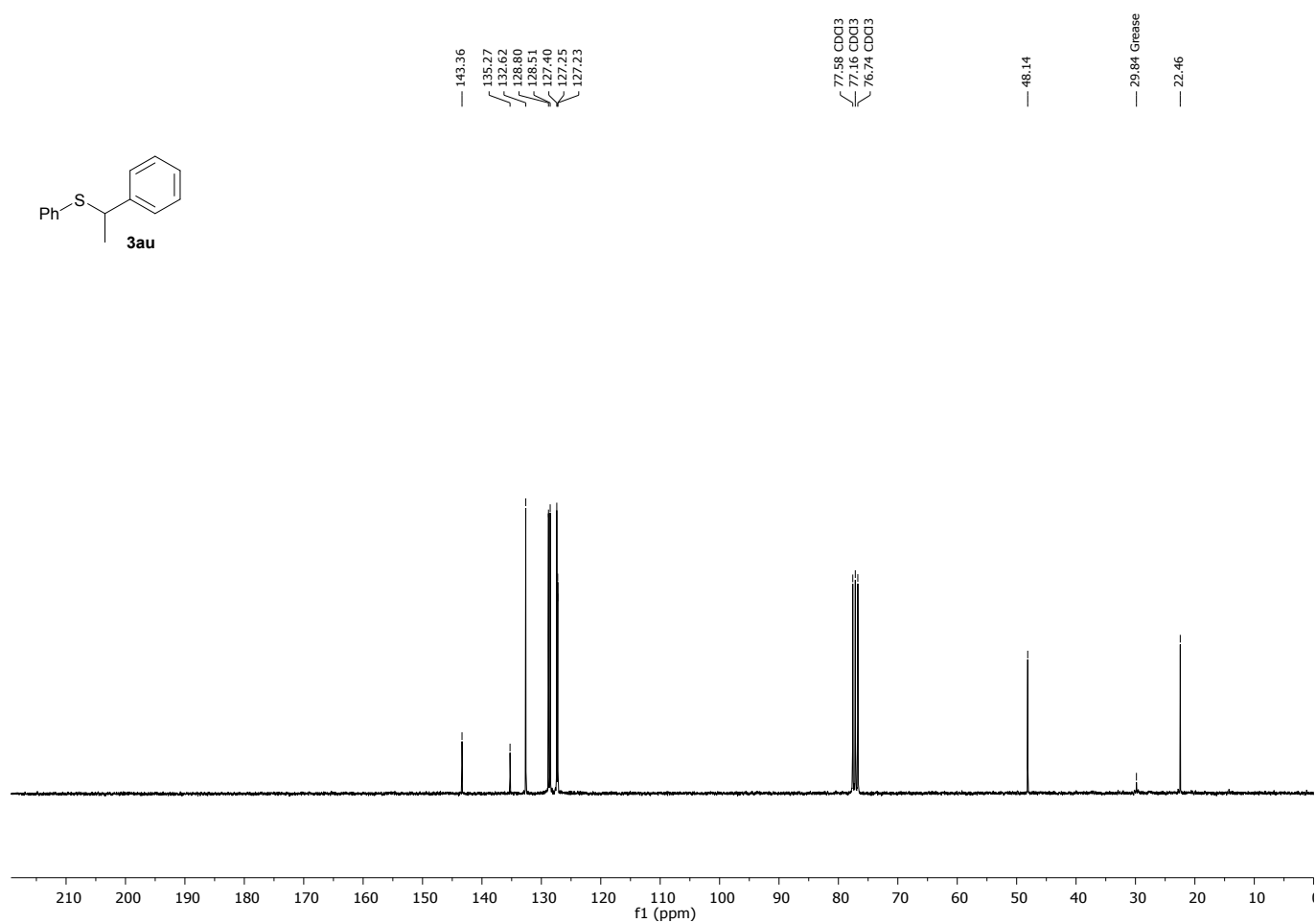
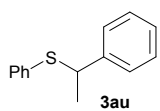
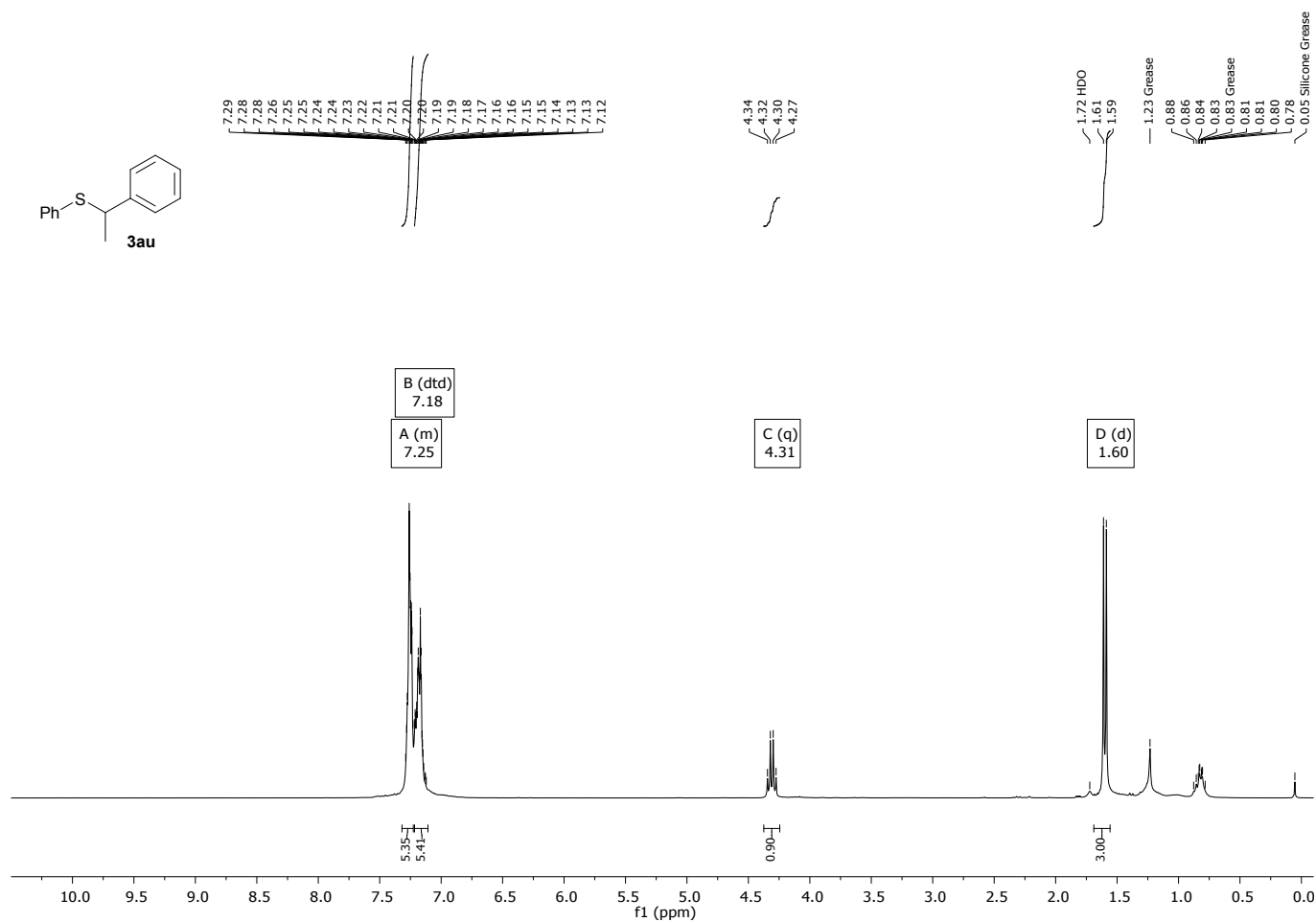
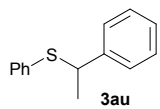


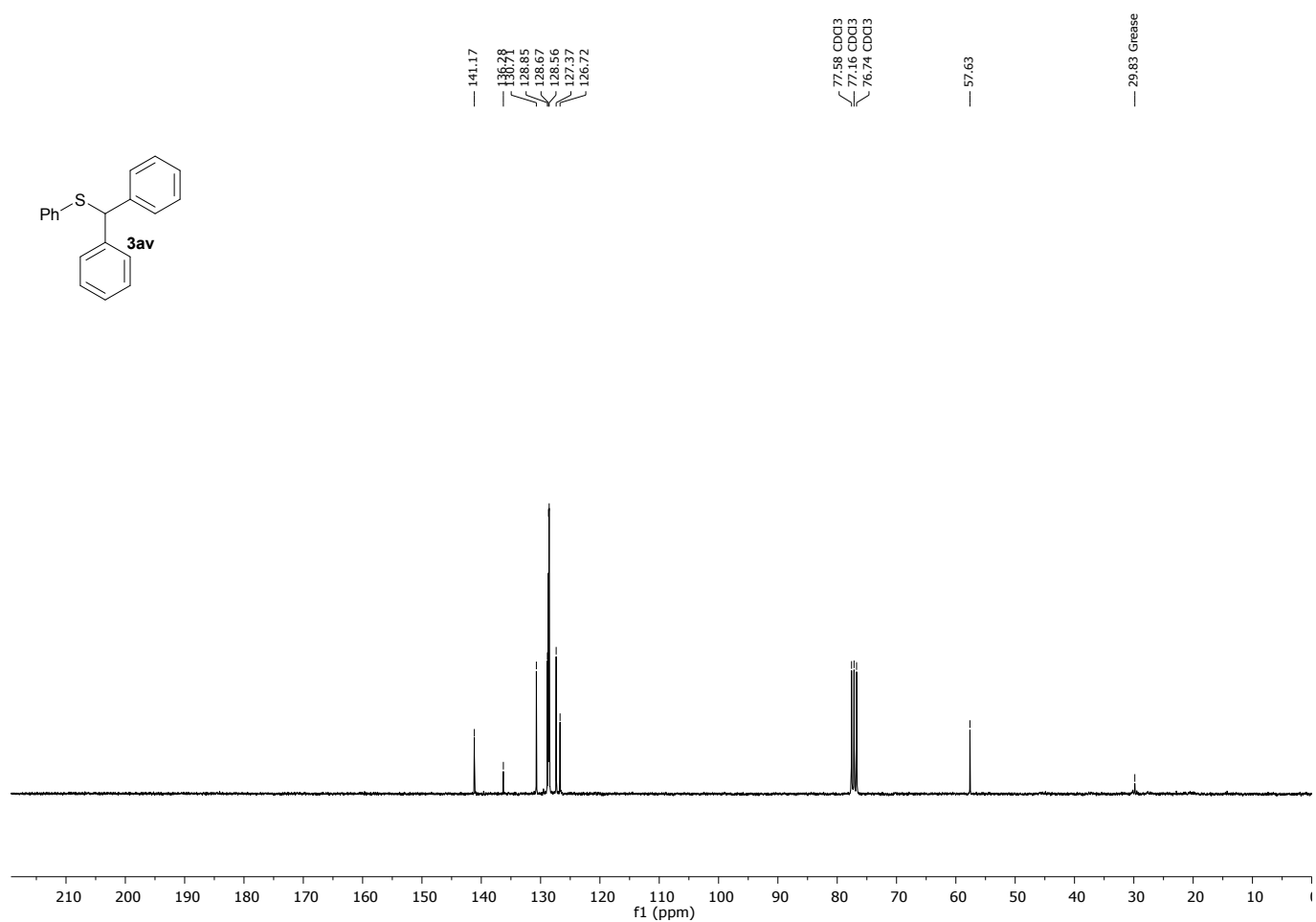
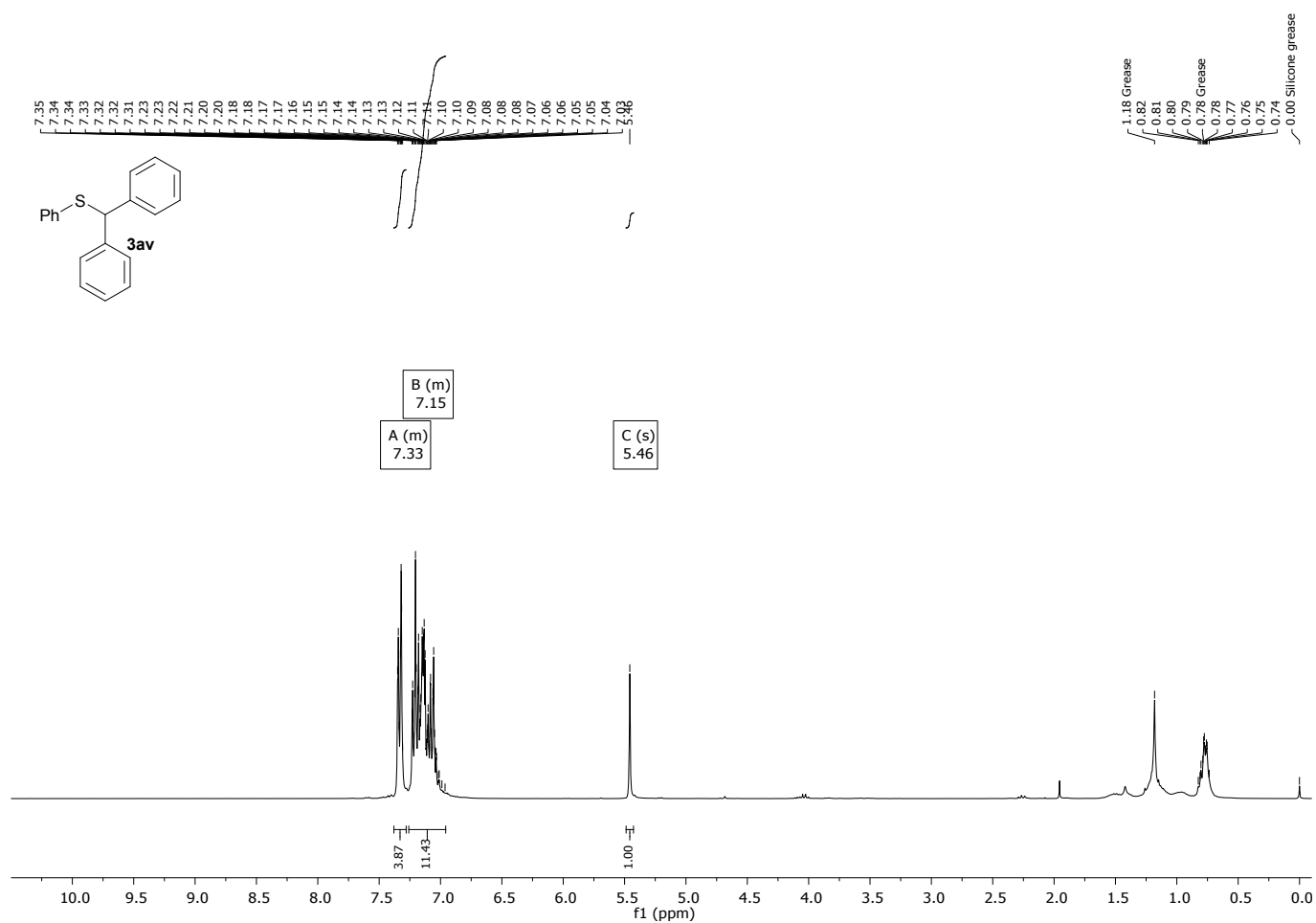


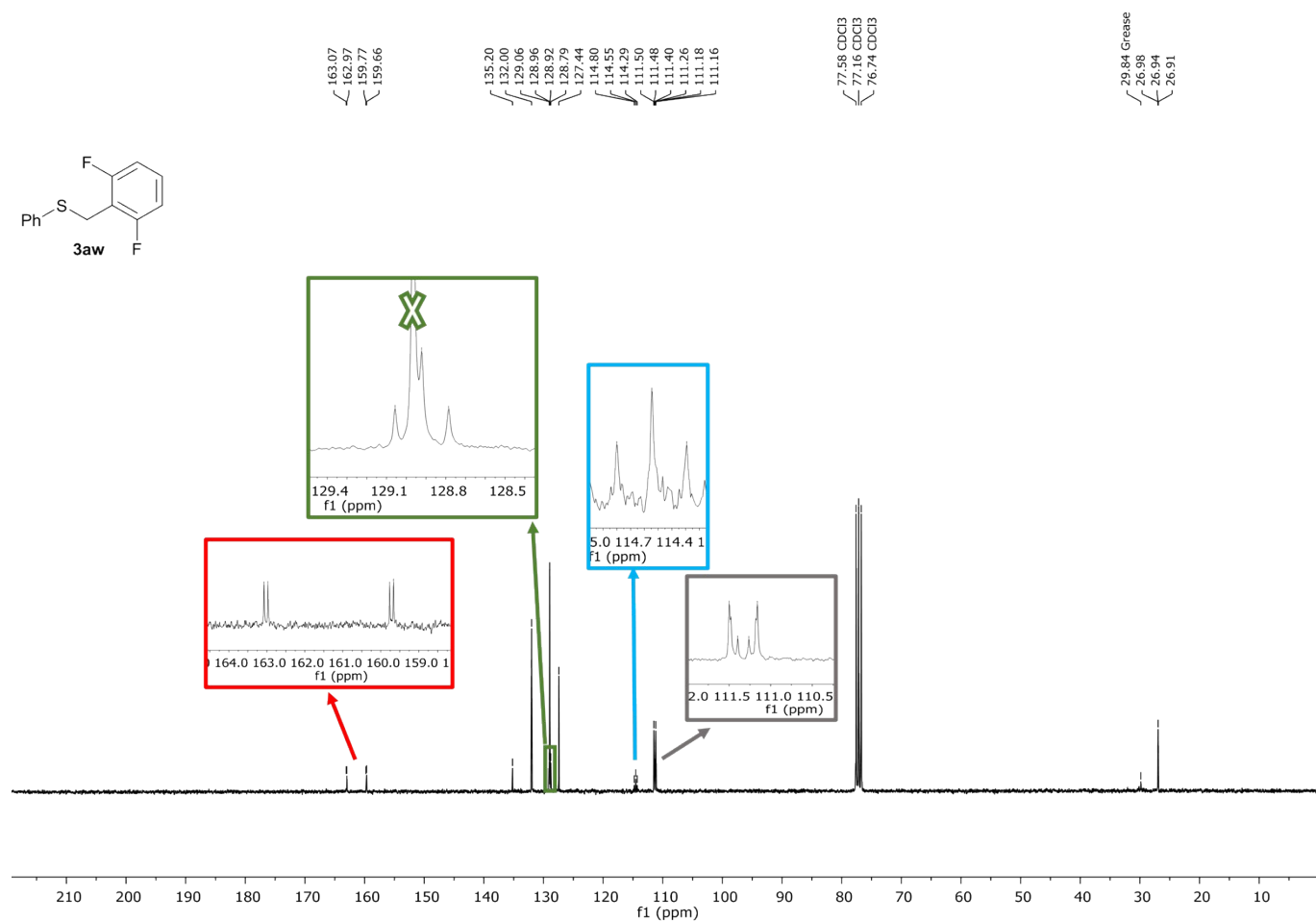
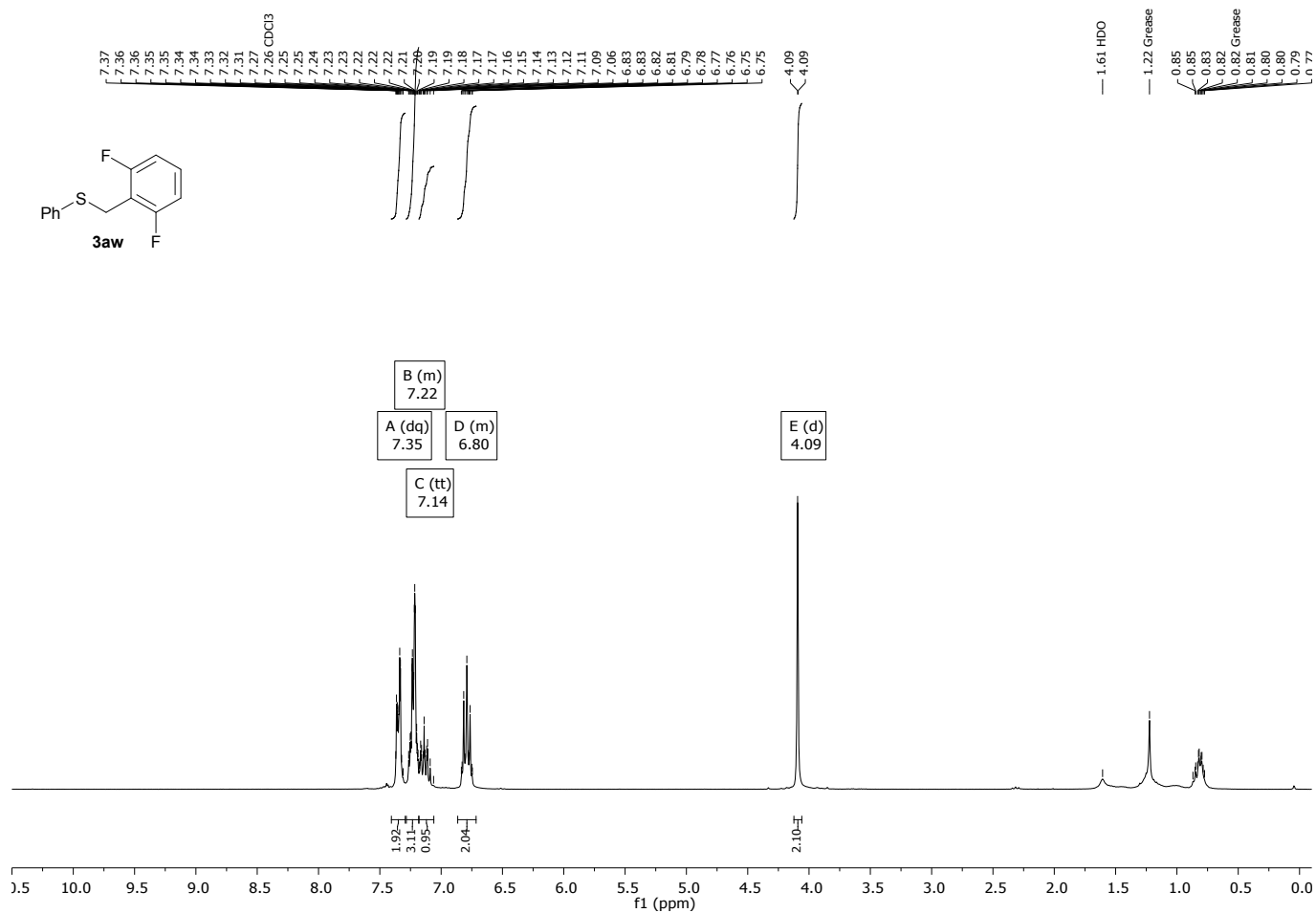


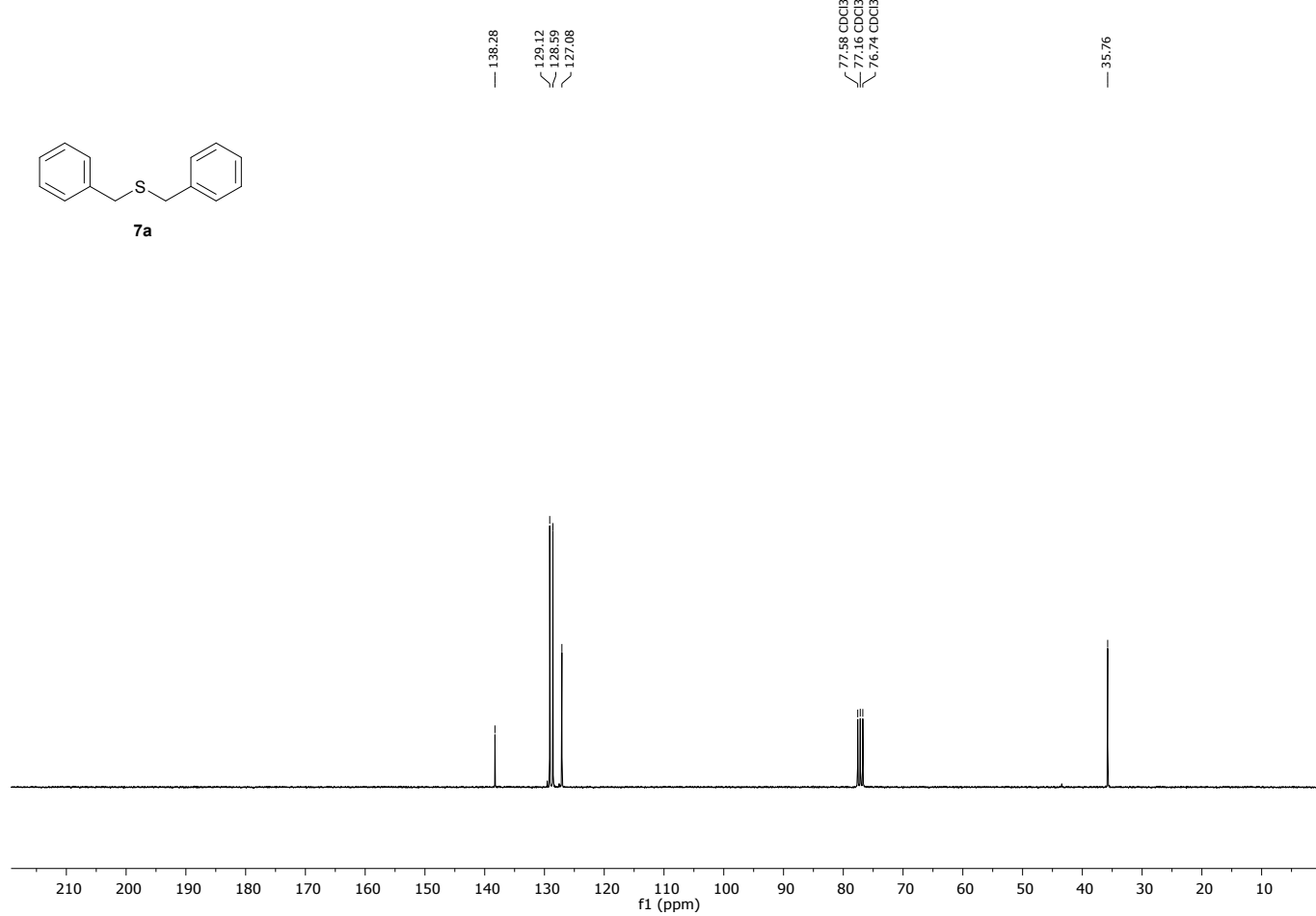
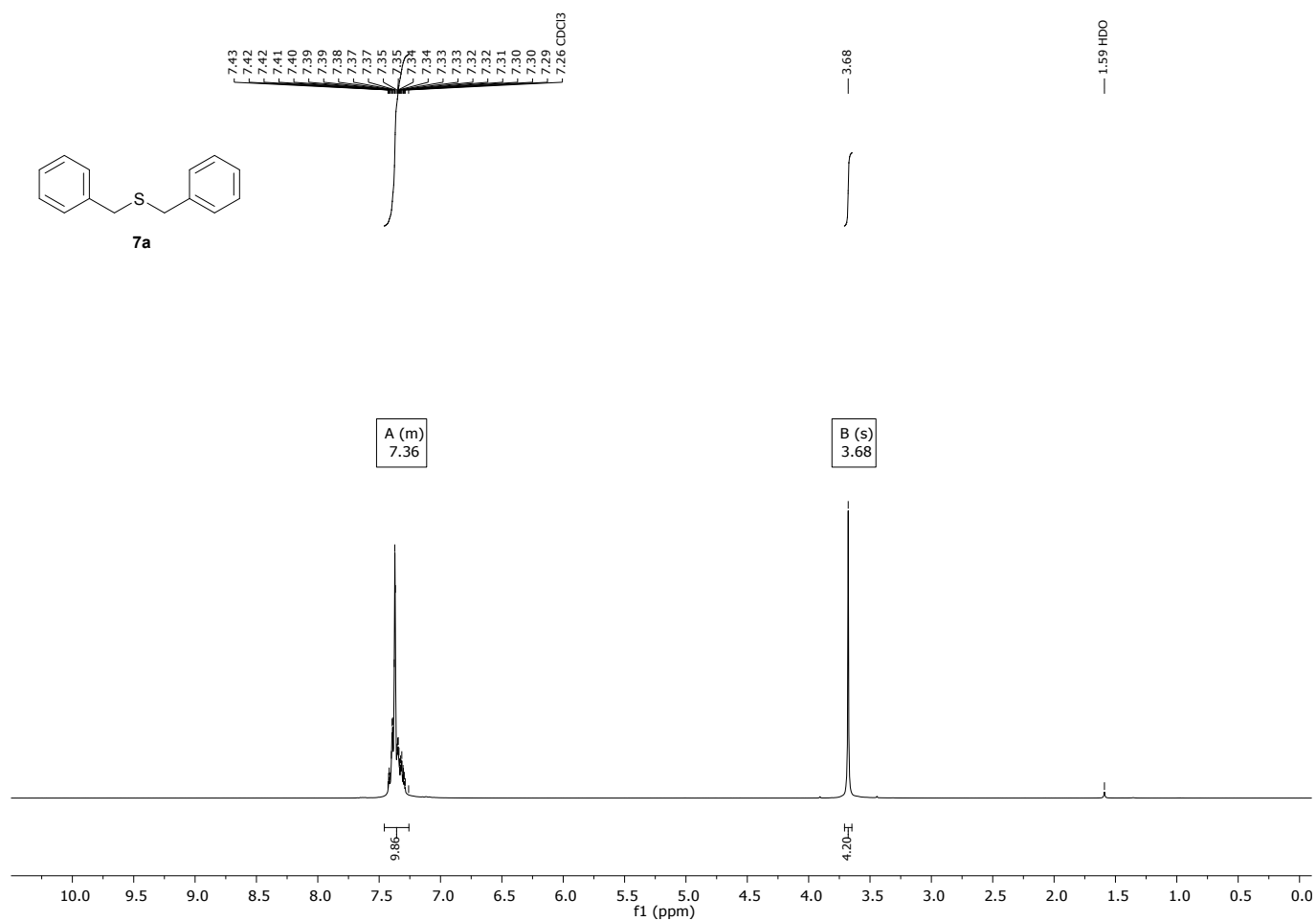


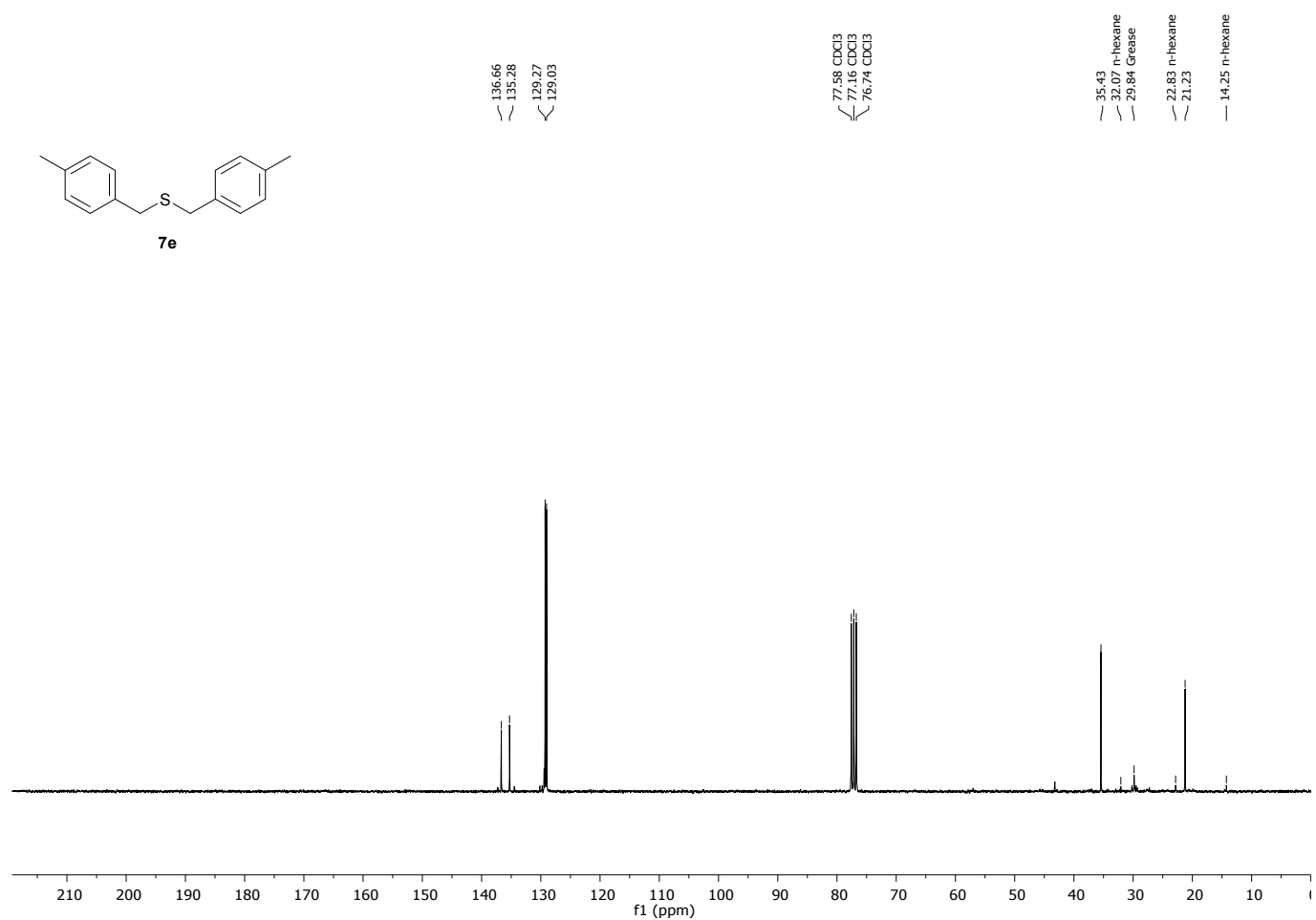
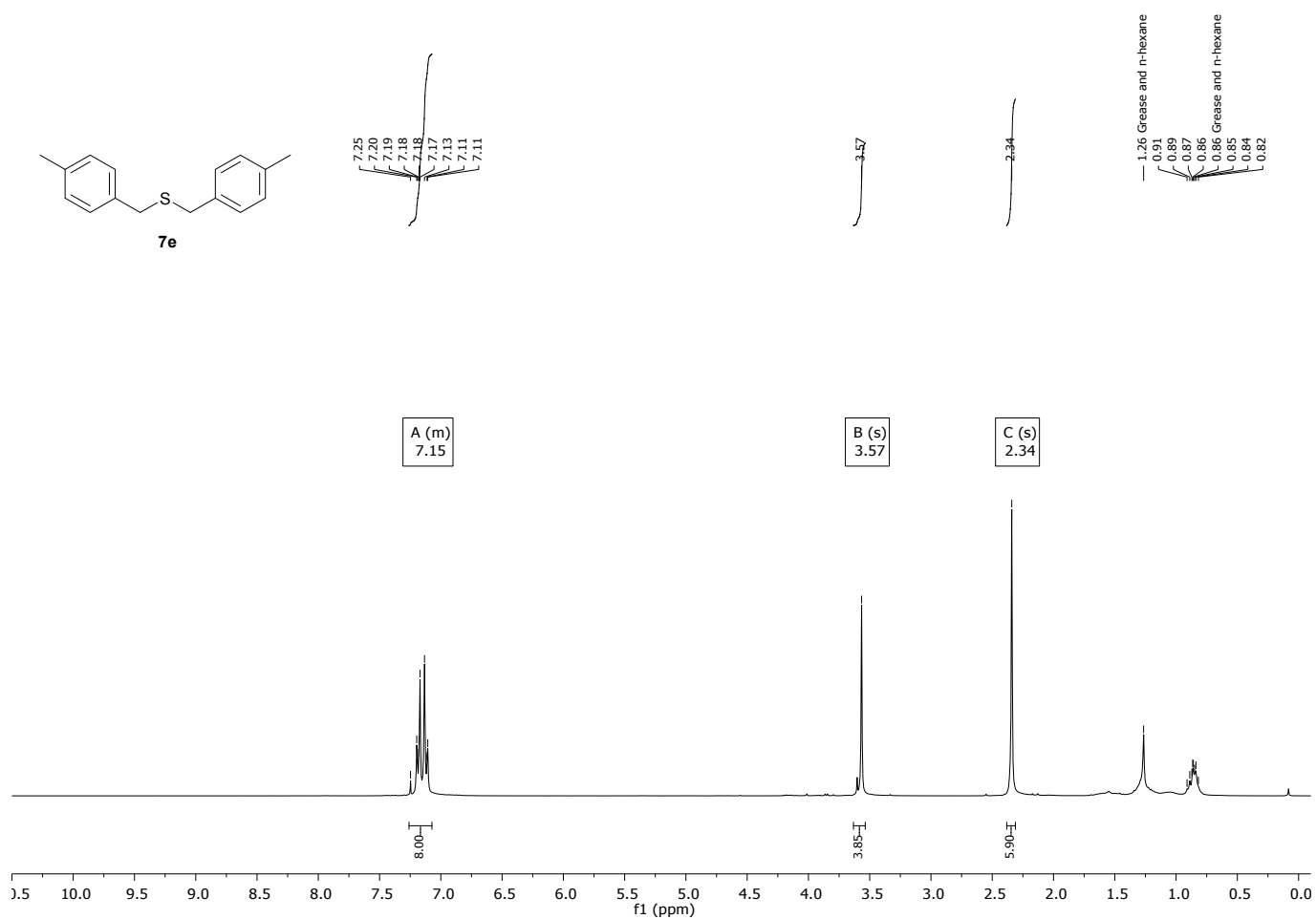


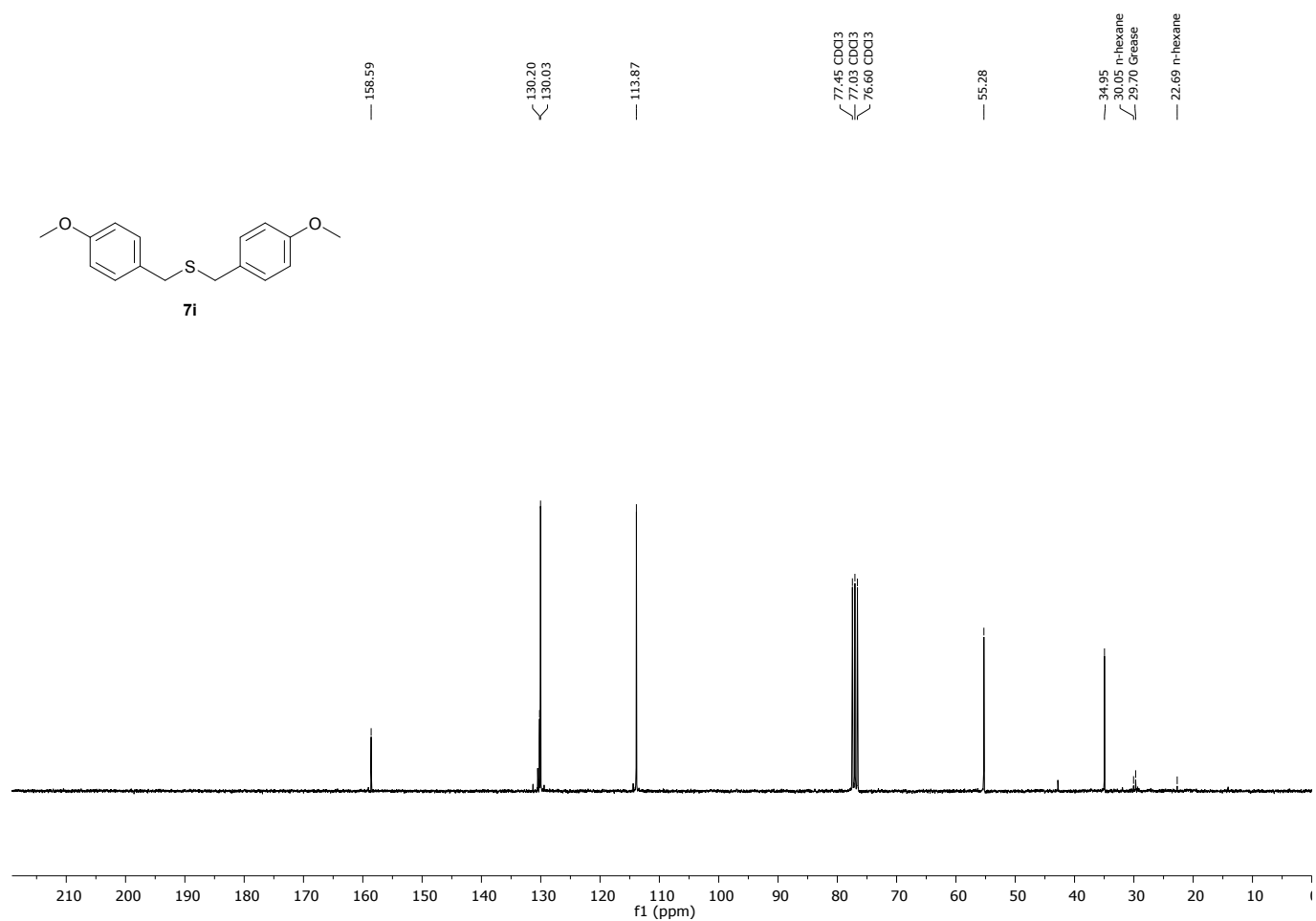
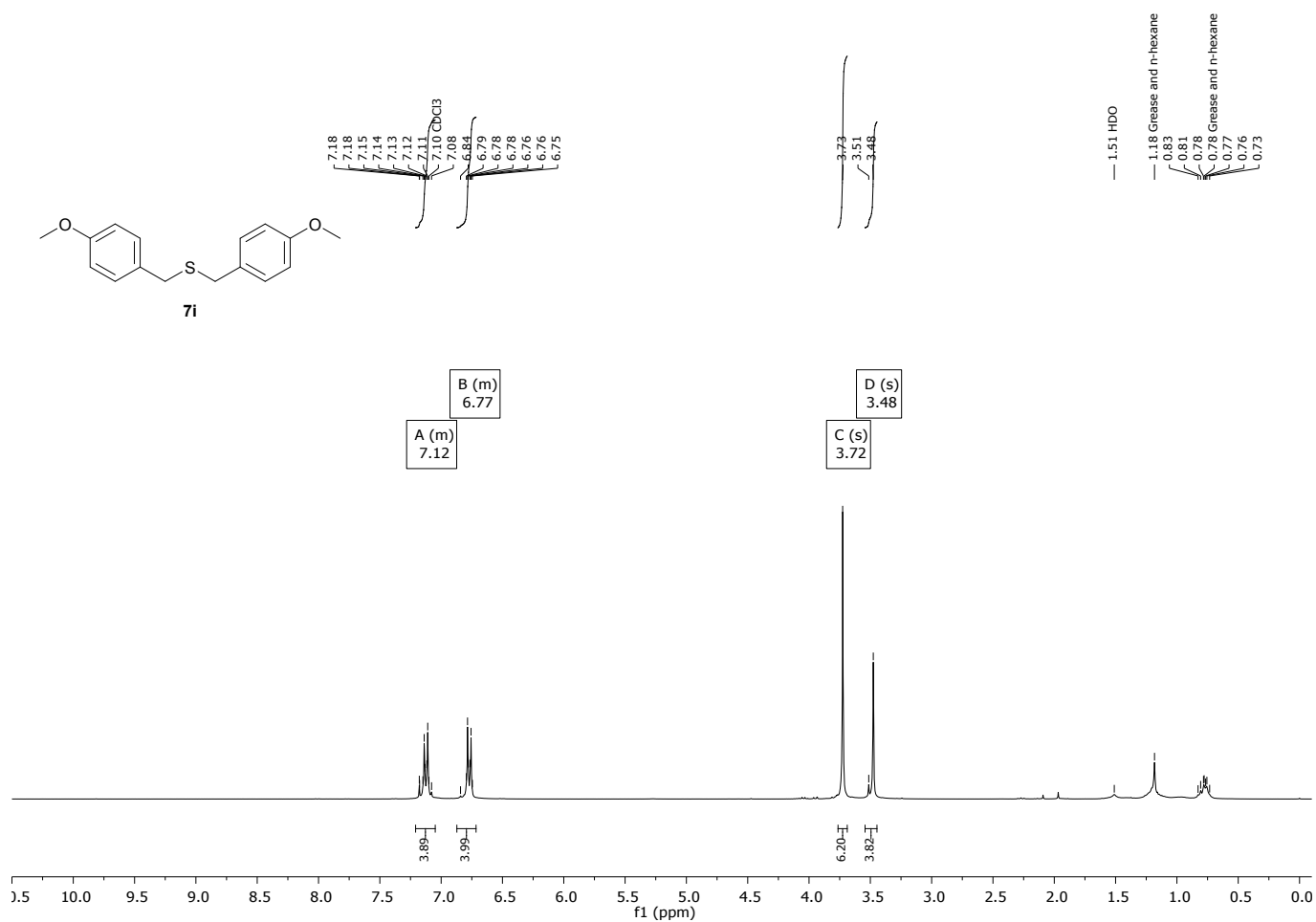


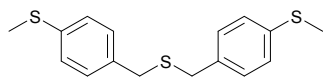




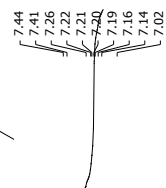








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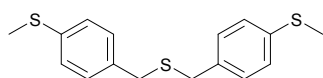
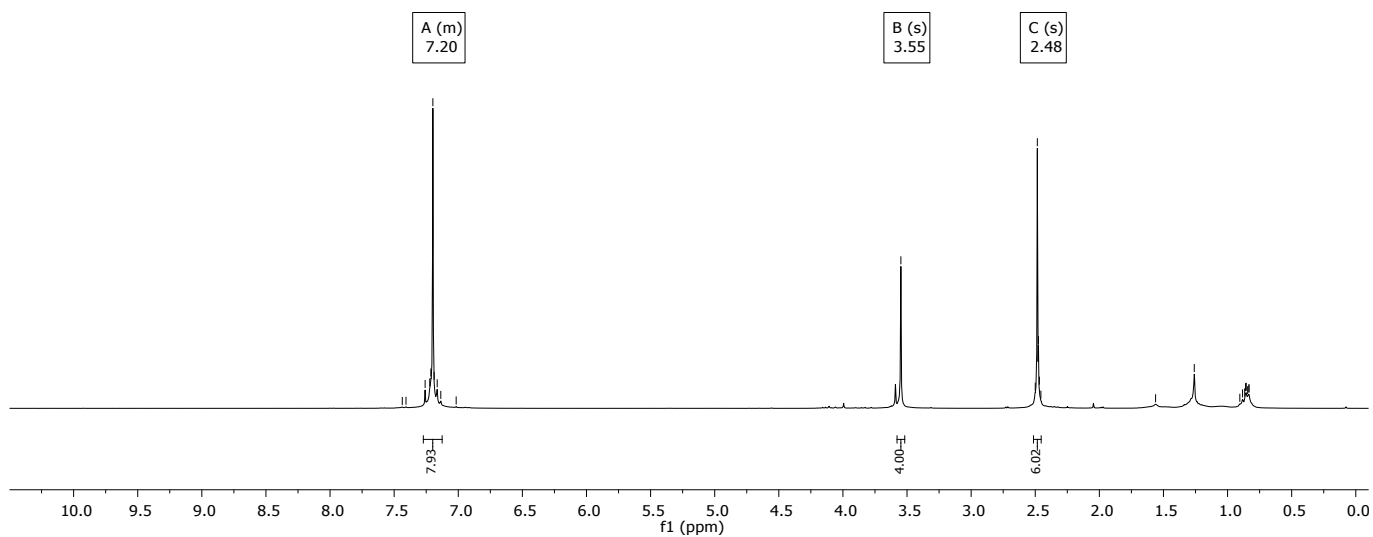


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129.61
126.93

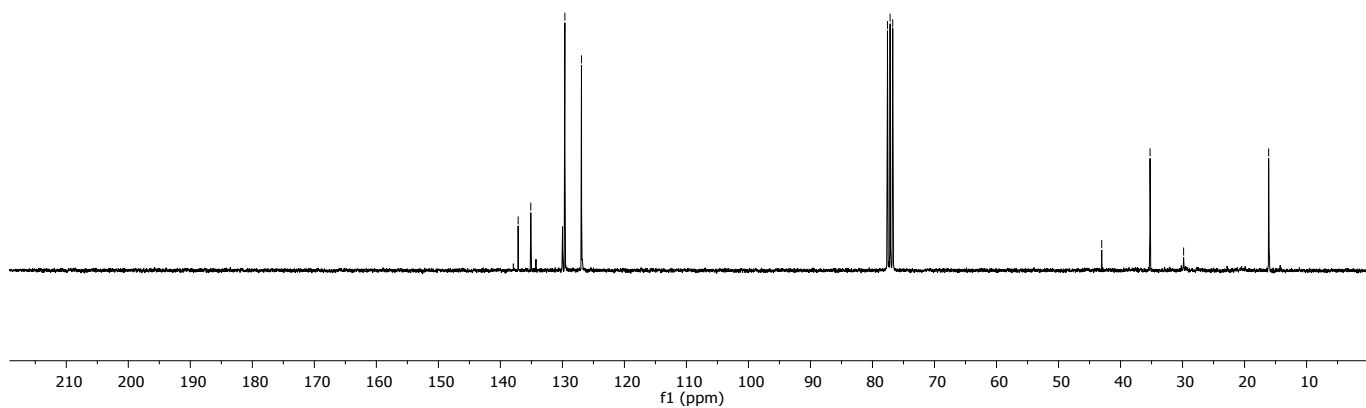
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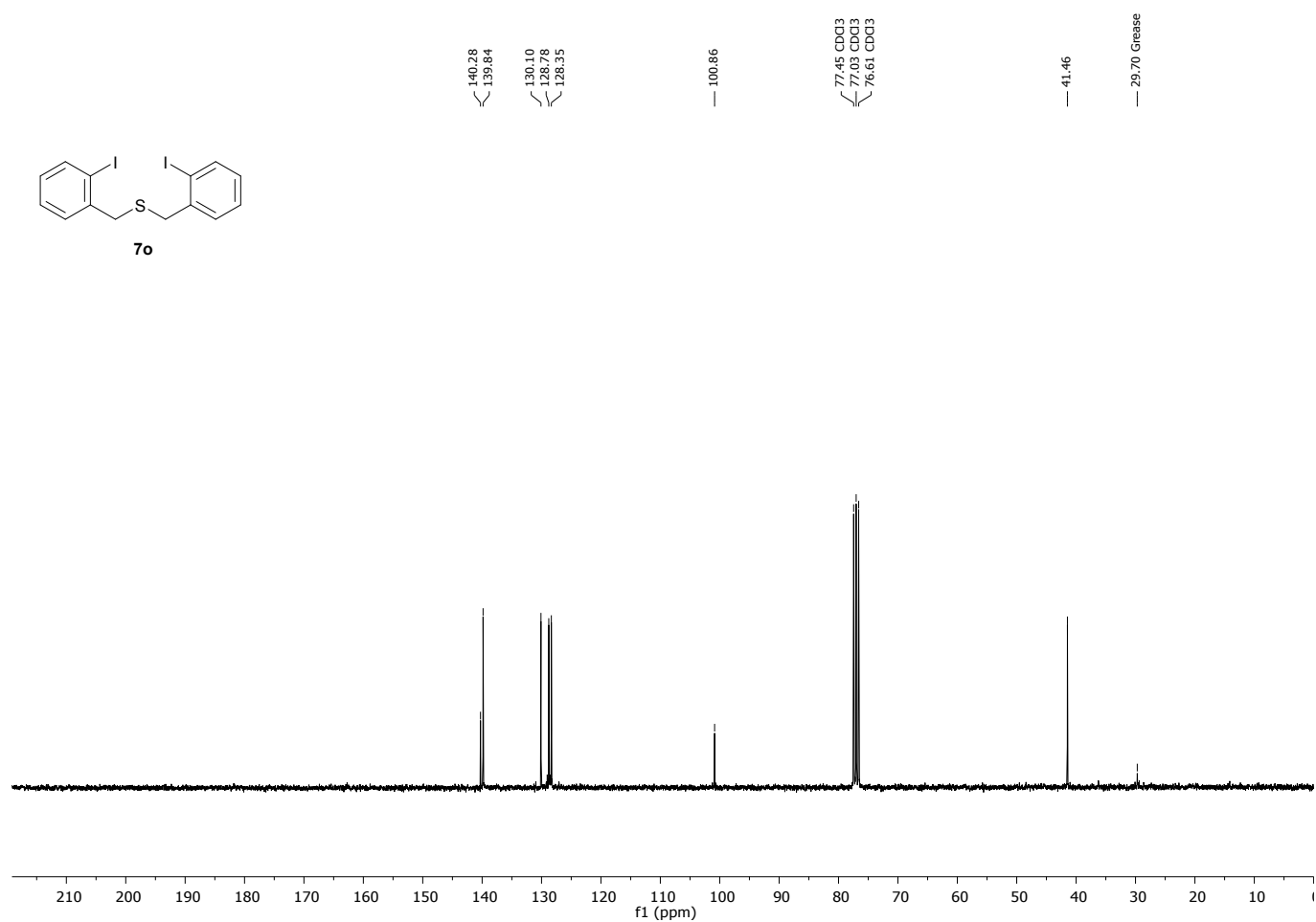
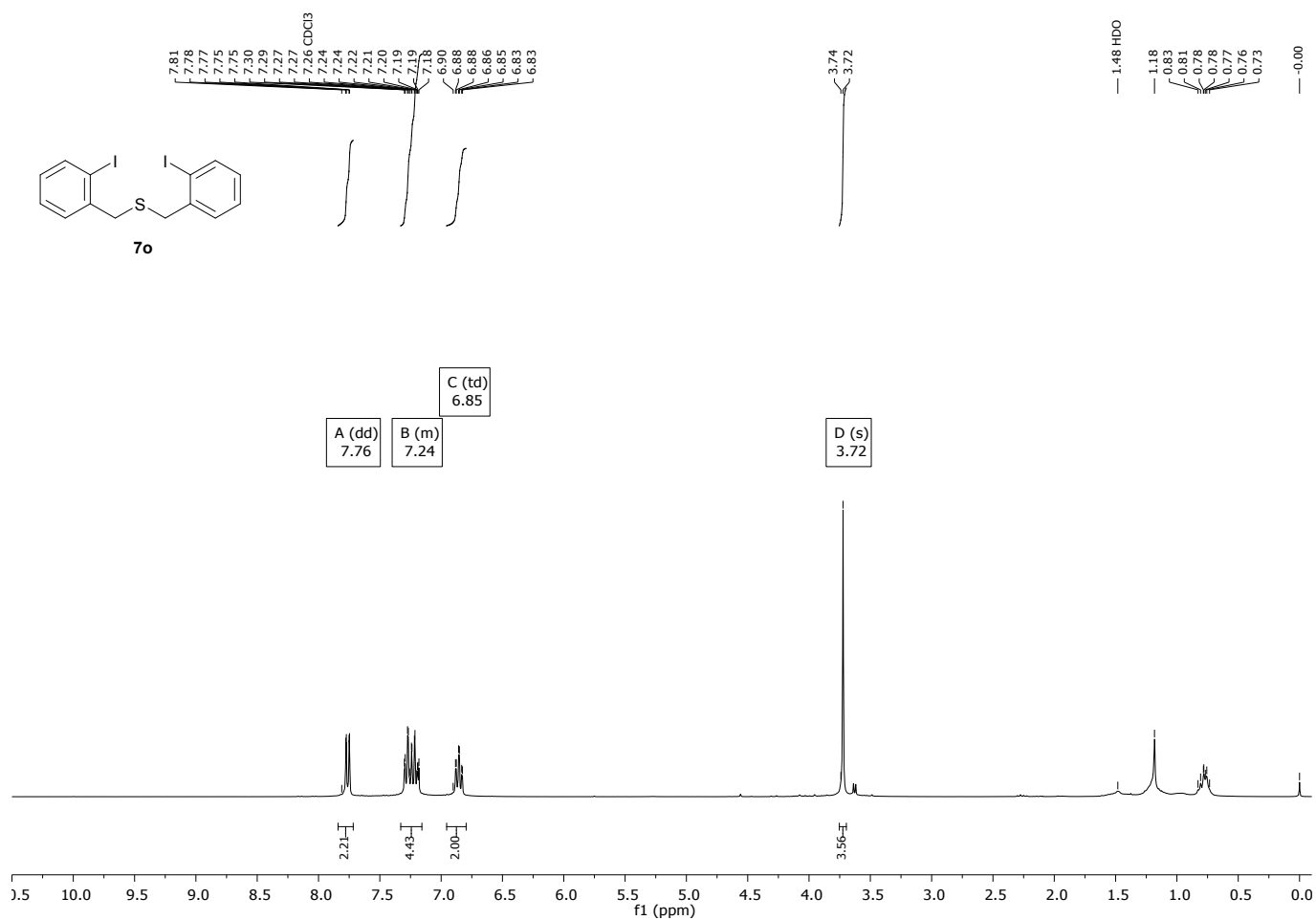
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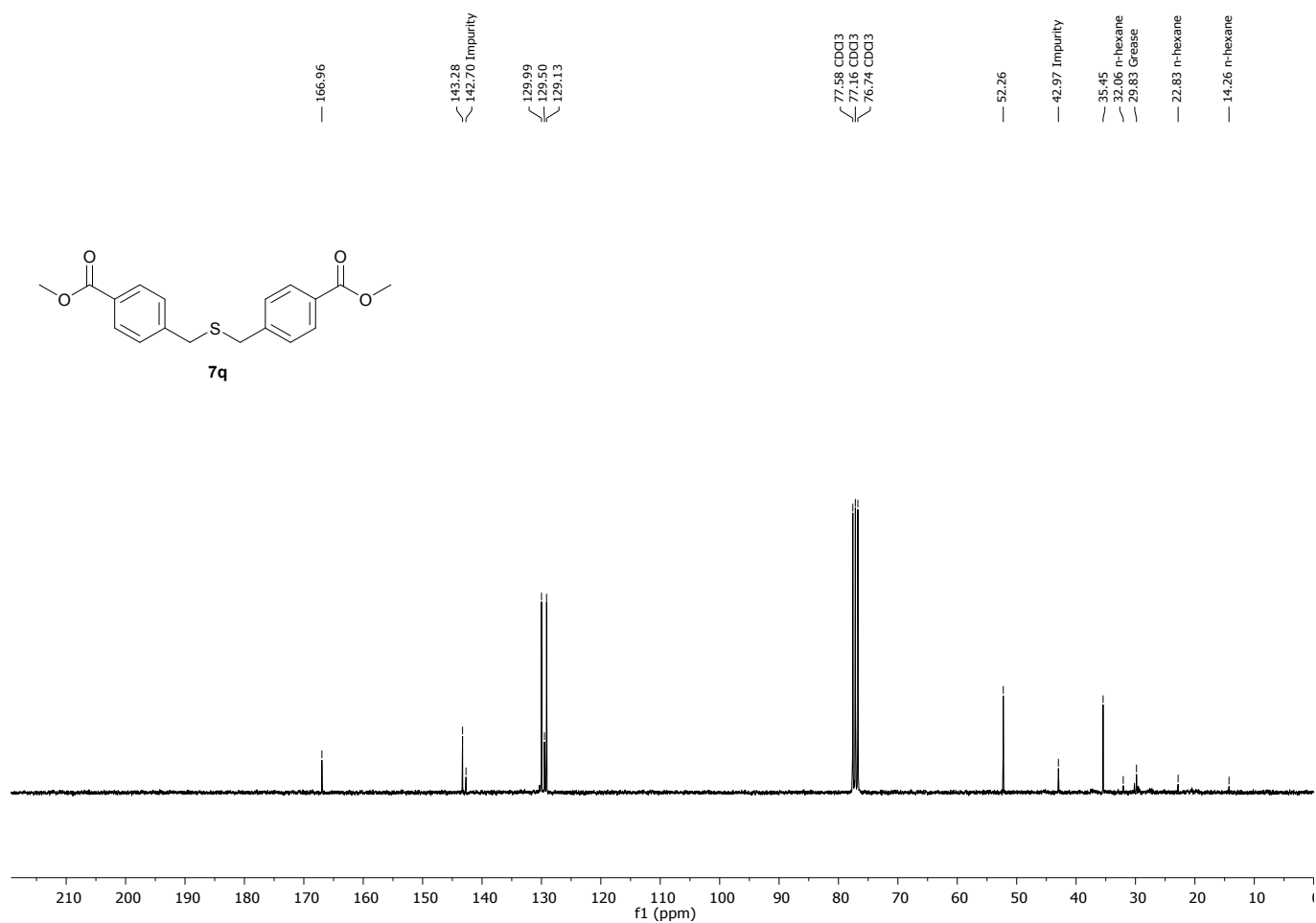
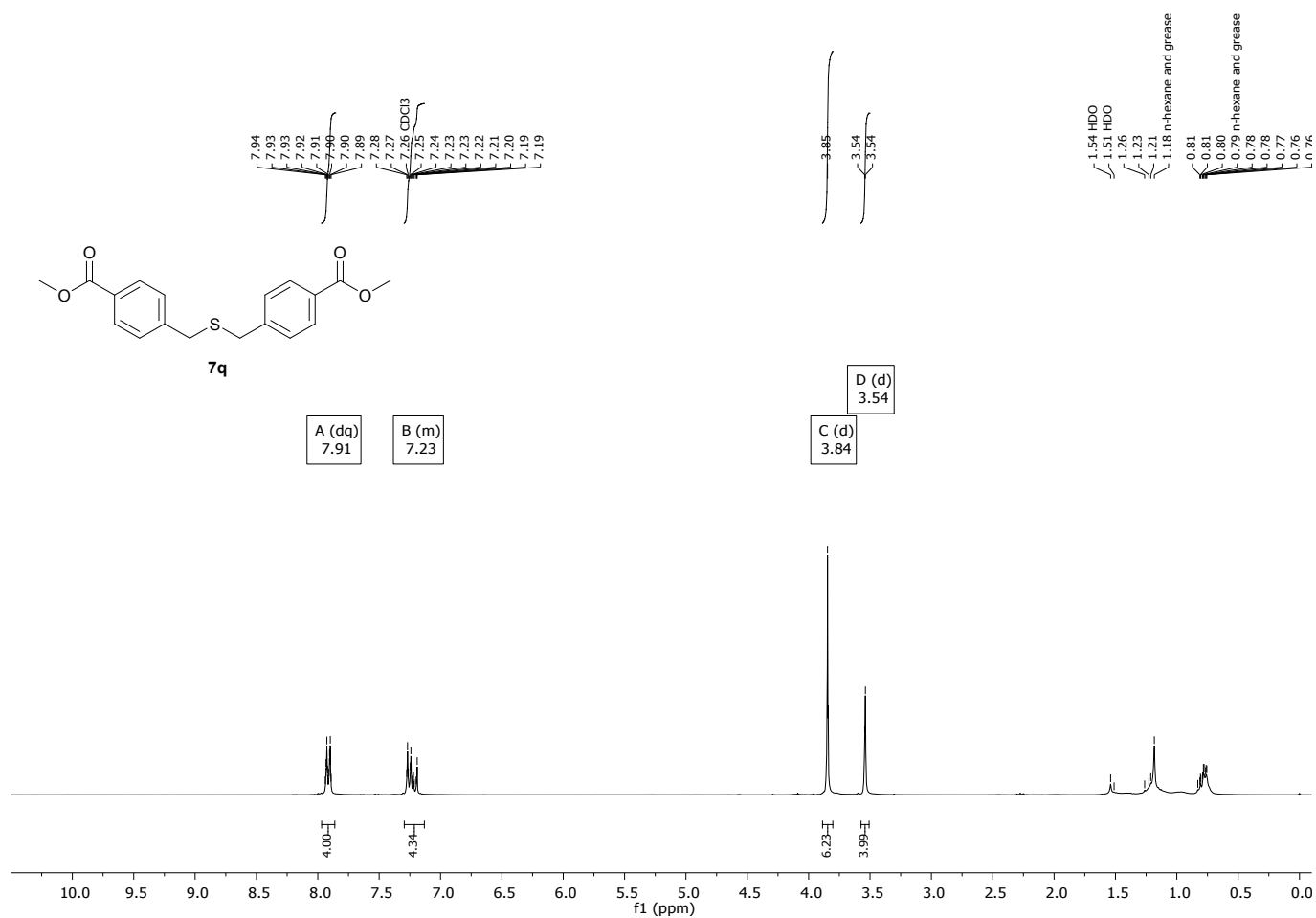
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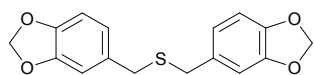
29.83 Grease

16.12

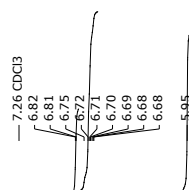




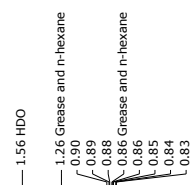




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3.53

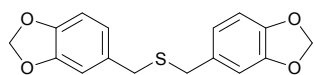
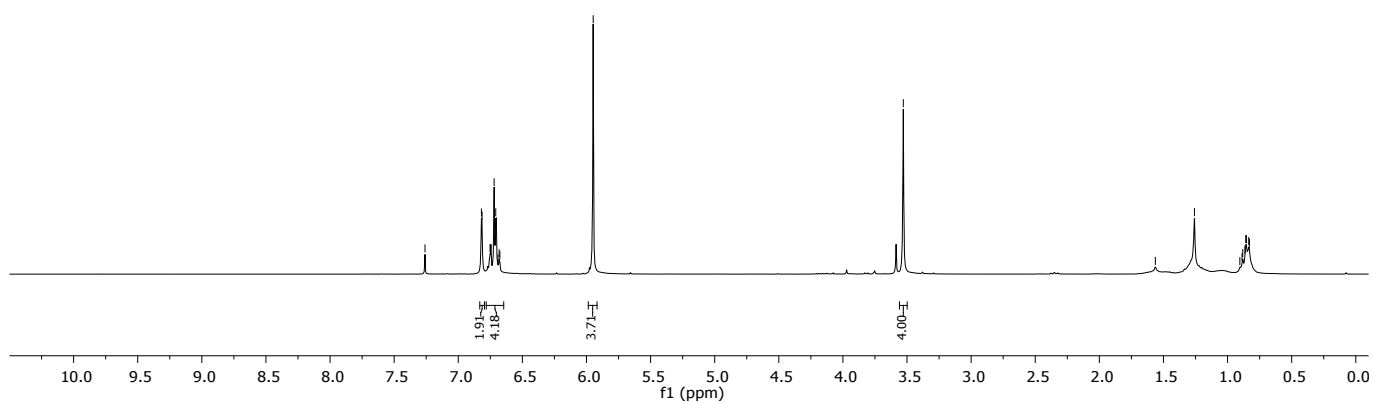


B (m)
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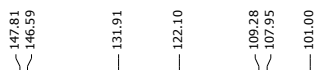
A (d)
6.82

C (s)
5.95

D (s)
3.53



7r



77.43 CDCl₃
77.01 CDCl₃
76.59 CDCl₃

43.41 Impurity

35.50
31.92 n-hexane
29.69

22.68 n-hexane

14.10 n-hexane

