

## Supplemental Information

# Umpolung cross-coupling of polyfluoroarenes with hydrazones via activation of C–F bonds

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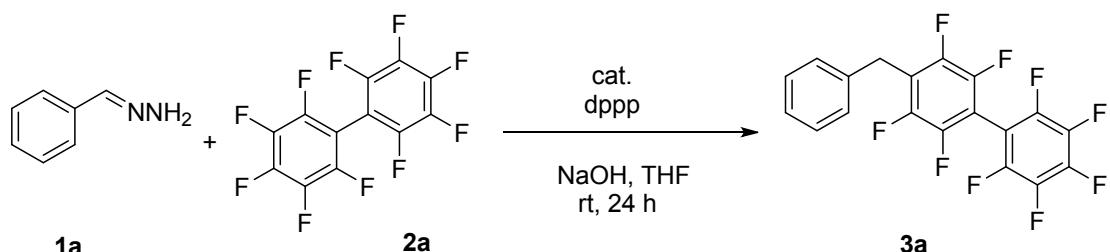
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## I . General Methods

All reagents and solvents were purchased from commercial sources (Adamas-beta, TCI, Alfa and Ark) and used without further purification unless otherwise stated. All reactions were monitored by thin-layer chromatography (TLC). All reactions were carried out under argon atmosphere unless otherwise stated. Column chromatography was performed on silica gel (200-300 mesh) and visualized with ultraviolet light. Ethyl acetate and petroleum ether were used as eluents.<sup>1</sup>H, <sup>19</sup>F and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were taken on Bruker AV300, Bruker AV400, Varian Mercury plus 600 with TMS as an internal standard and CDCl<sub>3</sub> as solvent. Melting points were measured on micro melting point apparatus and uncorrected. GC-MS analyses were performed with a Thermo TRACE 1300 ISQ LT spectrometer. HRMS analyses were made at Lanzhou University by means of ESI.

## II. Optimization of Reaction Conditions

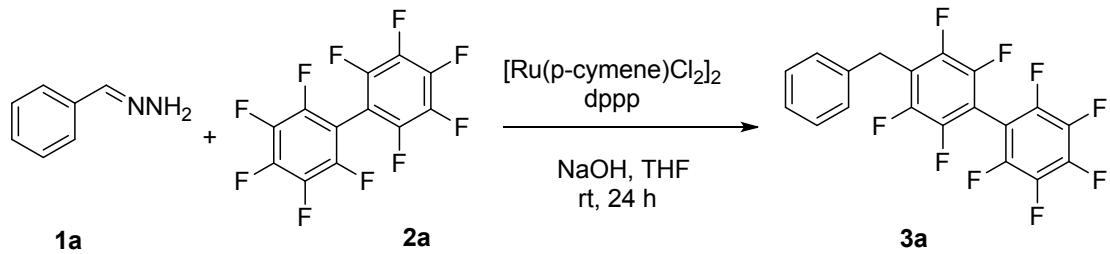
### 1) Screening catalysts



Entry	Catalyst	Yield <sup>a</sup> /%
		3a
1	Fe(acac) <sub>3</sub>	n.p.
2	NiCl <sub>2</sub>	n.p.
3	CuI	n.p.
4	RuCl <sub>3</sub>	trace
5	RuCl(bpy) <sub>3</sub> ·6H <sub>2</sub> O	n.p.
6	[Ru(p-cymene)Cl <sub>2</sub> ] <sub>2</sub>	75

General conditions: **1a** (0.2 mmol), **2a** (0.2 mmol), catalyst (5 mol%), dppp (10 mol%), KOH (1 equiv.) and THF (1 mL) at rt for 24 h under an argon atmosphere. <sup>a</sup>Yields were determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR with nitromethane as internal standard.

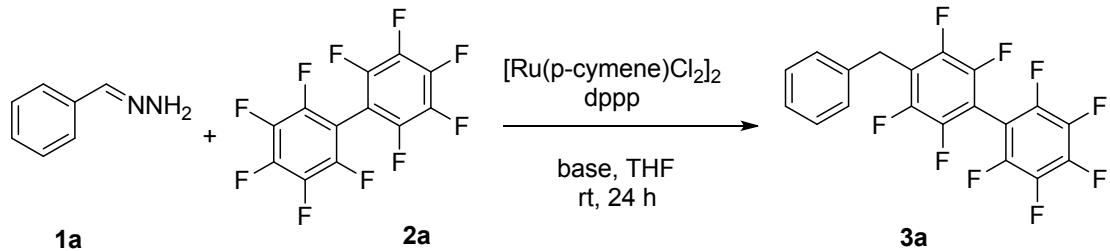
## 2) Control experiments



Entry	Catalyst	Yield <sup>a</sup> /%
		<b>3a</b>
1	without cat.	n.p.
2	without ligand	n.p.
3	without base	n.p.
4	under air	n.p.

General conditions: **1a** (0.2 mmol), **2a** (0.2 mmol),  $[\text{Ru}(\text{p-cymene})\text{Cl}_2]_2$  (5 mol%), dppp (10 mol%), KOH (1 equiv.) and THF (1 mL) at rt for 24 h under an argon atmosphere. <sup>a</sup>Yields were determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR with nitromethane as internal standard.

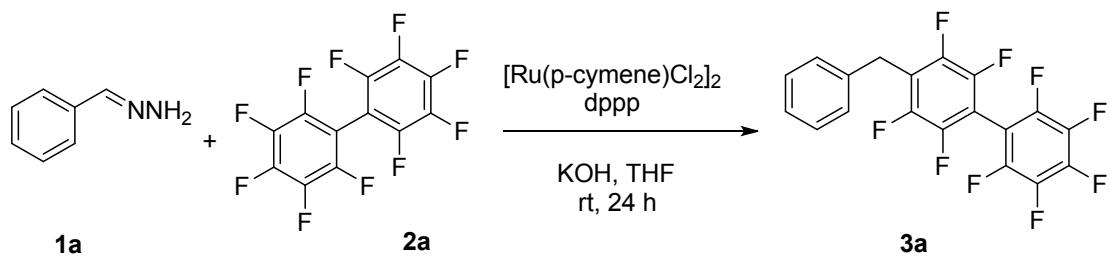
## 3) Screening bases



Entry	base	Yield <sup>a</sup> /%
		<b>3a</b>
1	DABCO	n.p.
2	DBU	n.p.
3	NaOH	64.
4	KOH (flake)	75
5	KOH (powder)	68

General conditions: **1a** (0.2 mmol), **2a** (0.2 mmol),  $[\text{Ru}(\text{p-cymene})\text{Cl}_2]_2$  (5 mol%), dppp (10 mol%), base (1 equiv.) and THF (1 mL) at rt for 24 h under an argon atmosphere. <sup>a</sup>Yields were determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR with nitromethane as internal standard.

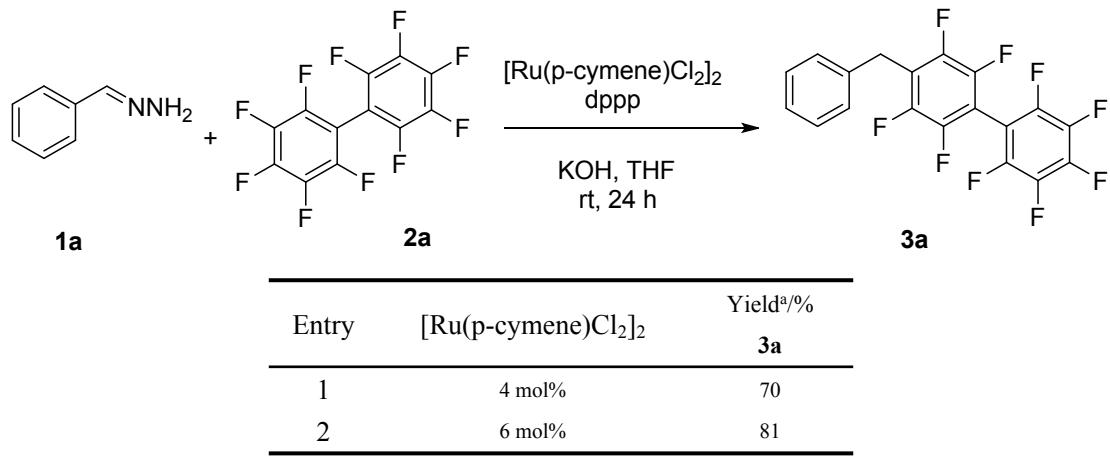
## 4) Screening the ratio of substrates



Entry	<b>1a</b> or <b>2a</b>	Yield <sup>a</sup> /%
	<b>3a</b>	
1	<b>1a</b> 0.2 mmol ( <b>2a</b> 0.3 mmol)	80
2	<b>1a</b> 0.2 mmol ( <b>2a</b> 0.4 mmol)	81
3	<b>1a</b> 0.3 mmol ( <b>2a</b> 0.2 mmol)	74
4	<b>1a</b> 0.4 mmol ( <b>2a</b> 0.2 mmol)	76

General conditions: **1a** (x mmol), **2a** (y mmol),  $[\text{Ru}(\text{p-cymene})\text{Cl}_2]_2$  (5 mol%), dppp (10 mol%), KOH (1 equiv.) and THF (1 mL) at rt for 24 h under an argon atmosphere. <sup>a</sup>Yields were determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR with nitromethane as internal standard.

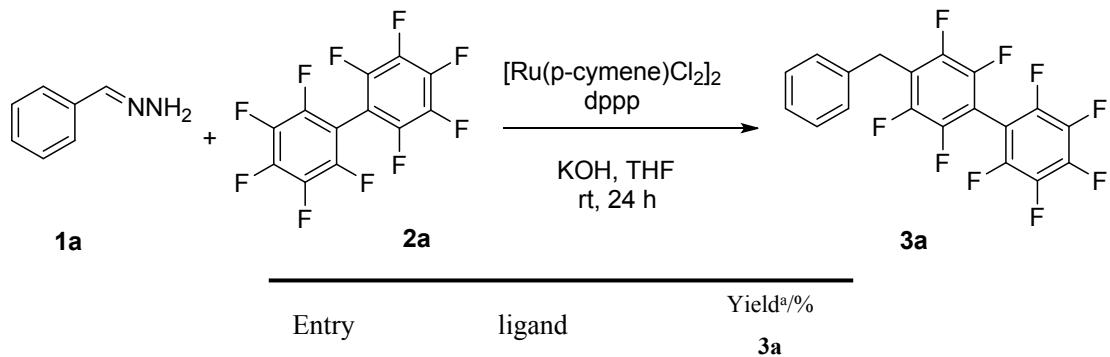
##### 5) Screening the amount of catalyst



Entry	$[\text{Ru}(\text{p-cymene})\text{Cl}_2]_2$	Yield <sup>a</sup> /%
	<b>3a</b>	
1	4 mol%	70
2	6 mol%	81

General conditions: **1a** (0.2 mmol), **2a** (0.3 mmol),  $[\text{Ru}(\text{p-cymene})\text{Cl}_2]_2$  (x mol%), dppp (10 mol%), KOH (1 equiv.) and THF (1 mL) at rt for 24 h under an argon atmosphere. <sup>a</sup>Yields were determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR with nitromethane as internal standard.

##### 6) Screening ligands and the amount of ligand



Entry	ligand	Yield <sup>a</sup> /%
	<b>3a</b>	

1	dppe	71
2	dppb	69
3	dppp (15 mol%)	84
4	dppp (15 mol%)	50

General conditions: **1a** (0.2 mmol), **2a** (0.3 mmol),  $[\text{Ru}(\text{p-cymene})\text{Cl}_2]_2$  (5 mol%), ligand (x mol%), KOH (1 equiv.) and THF (1 mL) at rt for 24 h under an argon atmosphere. <sup>a</sup>Yields were determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR with nitromethane as internal standard.

### 7) Screening solvents

		$[\text{Ru}(\text{p-cymene})\text{Cl}_2]_2$ dppp KOH, THF rt, 24 h	
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Entry	solvent	Yield <sup>a</sup> /%	
1	Et <sub>2</sub> O	3a 76	
2	toluene	n.p.	
3	MeCN	n.p.	
4	DMSO	n.p.	
5	DMF	n.p.	

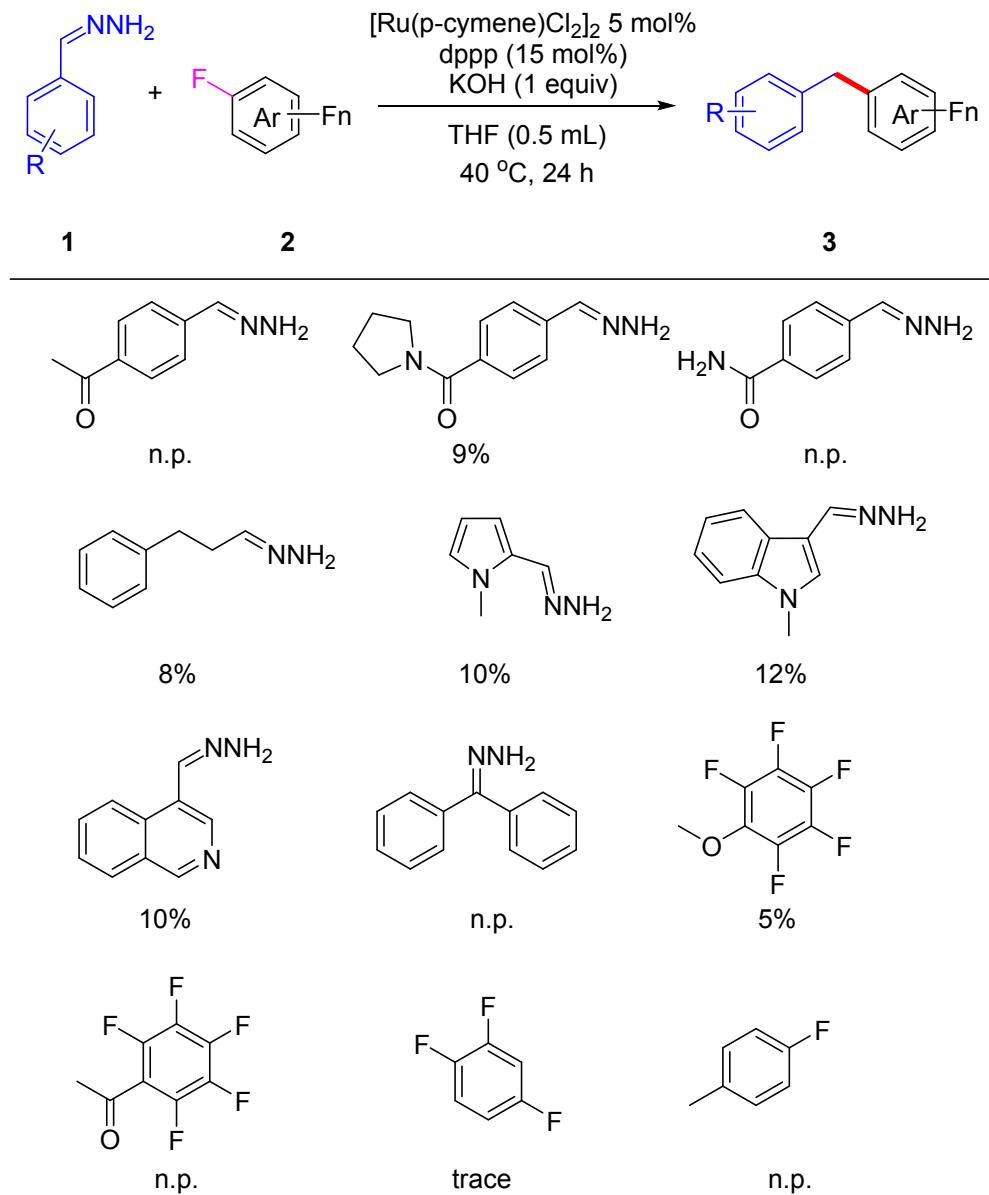
General conditions: **1a** (0.2 mmol), **2a** (0.3 mmol),  $[\text{Ru}(\text{p-cymene})\text{Cl}_2]_2$  (5 mol%), dppp (15 mol%), base (1 equiv.) and solvent (1 mL) at rt for 24 h under an argon atmosphere. <sup>a</sup>Yields were determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR with nitromethane as internal standard.

### 8) Screening the amount of THF

		$[\text{Ru}(\text{p-cymene})\text{Cl}_2]_2$ dppp KOH, THF rt, 24 h	
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Entry	THF	Yield <sup>a</sup> /%	
1	0.5 mL	3a 87	
2	1.5 mL	62	

General conditions: **1a** (0.2 mmol), **2a** (0.3 mmol),  $[\text{Ru}(\text{p-cymene})\text{Cl}_2]_2$  (5 mol%), dppp (15 mol%), KOH (1 equiv.) and THF (x mL) at rt for 24 h under an argon atmosphere. <sup>a</sup>Yields were determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR with nitromethane as internal standard.

### III. Other Substrates<sup>a</sup>



<sup>a</sup> General conditions: **1** (0.2 mmol), **2** (0.3 mmol), [Ru(p-cymene)Cl<sub>2</sub>]<sub>2</sub> (5 mol%), dppp (15 mol%), KOH (1 equiv) and THF (0.5 mL) at 40 °C for 24 h under argon atmosphere. products were determined by GC-MS (EI).

### IV. Synthesis of the Hydrazone Substrates <sup>1</sup>

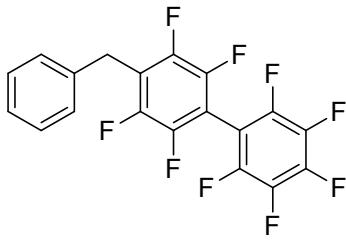
A round-bottom flask, equipped with dropping funnel, was charged with magnetic stirring bar and hydrazine hydrate (98% purity, 12 mmol, 1.2 equiv), and then the

solution of aldehyde (10 mmol) in methanol (25 mL) was added dropwise. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1 h. After the aldehyde was consumed completely, methanol and the extra hydrazine were removed under reduced pressure at room temperature (25 °C). Water (30 mL) was added and the mixture was extracted with dichloromethane (3×20 mL). The combined extracts were washed with brine and dried with anhydrous sodium sulfate. Solvent was removed by rotary evaporation at room temperature (25 °C) to provide the desired hydrazone (> 95%, as shown by <sup>1</sup>H NMR), which was used directly without further purification.

## V. General Procedure for the Coupling of Polyfluoroarenes with Hydrazones

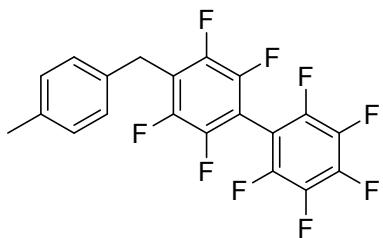
A 20 mL microwave vial was charged with a magnetic stir-bar, [Ru(p-cymene)Cl<sub>2</sub>]<sub>2</sub> (6.1 mg, 5 mol%), dppp (11.6 mg, 15 mol%), KOH (11.2 mg, 0.2 mmol), hydrazone **1** (0.2 mmol) and polyfluoroarenes **2** (0.6 mmol). The tube was then evacuated and backfilled with argon three times. THF (0.5 mL) was added by syringe and microsyringe. The tube was placed in a preheated oil bath at 40 °C and the mixture was stirred under an argon atmosphere for 24 h. The reaction mixture was cooled to room temperatures and concentrated, and then purified by preparative TLC on silica gel eluting with hexane: EtOAc (100:1-10:1) to afford the products.

The products were characterized by <sup>1</sup>H NMR, <sup>19</sup>F NMR, <sup>13</sup>C NMR and HRMS (ESI). However, a large mass discrepancy was observed when testing such polyfluoro-substituted products using HRMS with ESI resource. Because most of those compounds were only composed of C, F and H, which were difficult to abstract the ion from the ESI resource. This reason made the error range greater than 5 ppm. The same results of such compounds were seen in the literature, and the HRMS (ESI) of polyfluoroaryl compounds were not within the 5 ppm error range (please see SI in ref. 11). In contrast, the MS (EI resource) gave better results for those compounds. Therefore, all of those compounds were analyzed by MS (EI). Polyfluoroaryl compounds were also analyzed by MS (EI) in literature (please see SI in ref. 14a).



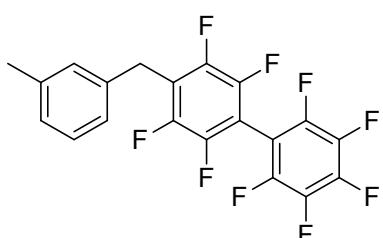
**4-benzyl-2,2',3,3',4',5,5',6,6'-nonafluoro-1,1'-biphenyl**

White solid, m.p. 65–66 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$ : 7.36–7.26 (m, 5H), 4.15 (s, 2H).  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ : -136.98 to -137.94 (m, 2F), -138.72 to -139.47 (m, 2F), -142.38 (dd,  $J$  = 20.7, 10.9 Hz, 2F), -150.62 (tt,  $J$  = 21.0, 2.7 Hz, 1F), -160.65 to -160.84 (m, 2F).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 101 MHz)  $\delta$ : 146.2–143.6 (m), 145.8–142.7 (m), 144.1 (ddt,  $J$  = 252.5, 15.2, 5.1 Hz), 139.1–137.2 (m), 137.1, 141.0–136.6 (m), 128.9, 128.6, 127.1, 122.2 (t,  $J$  = 19.2 Hz), 104.4–102.5 (m), 28.9. GC-MS (EI) m/z: 406(100), 386(34), 385(38), 367(17), 219(19), 203(17), 108(17), 91(41).



**2,2',3,3',4,5,5',6,6'-nonafluoro-4'-(4-methylbenzyl)-1,1'-biphenyl**

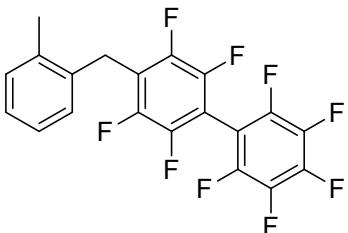
White solid, m.p. 55–56 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$ : 7.23 (d,  $J$  = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.15 (d,  $J$  = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 4.10 (s, 2H), 2.34 (s, 3H).  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ : -137.35 to -137.66 (m, 2F), -139.07 (qd,  $J$  = 9.5, 4.5 Hz, 2F), -142.63 (dd,  $J$  = 21.2, 11.5 Hz, 2F), -150.89 (t,  $J$  = 20.8 Hz, 1F), -161.00 (qd,  $J$  = 10.4, 4.6 Hz, 2F).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 101 MHz)  $\delta$ : 146.2–143.7 (m), 145.1–142.9 (m), 144.2 (ddt,  $J$  = 257.6, 16.2, 6.0 Hz), 139.1–137.0 (m), 136.9, 141.2–136.6 (m), 134.1, 129.6, 128.5, 122.5 (t,  $J$  = 18.2 Hz), 104.3–102.4 (m), 28.5, 20.9. GC-MS (EI) m/z: 420(46), 405(36), 385(24), 91(100), 77(18), 65(22).



**2,2',3,3',4,5,5',6,6'-nonafluoro-4'-(3-methylbenzyl)-1,1'-biphenyl**

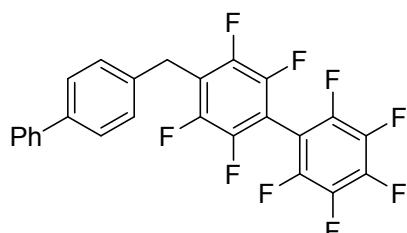
White solid, m.p. 67–68 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$ : 7.28–7.20 (m, 1H), 7.19–7.07 (m, 3H),

4.11 (s, 2H), 2.37 (s, 3H).  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ : -137.49 (dddd,  $J = 20.3, 11.6, 5.8, 2.9$  Hz, 2F), -138.64 to -139.51 (m, 2F), -142.43 (dd,  $J = 19.9, 10.3$  Hz, 2F), -150.68 to -151.13 (m, 1F), -160.76 to -161.31 (m, 2F).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 101 MHz)  $\delta$ : 146.3–143.5 (m), 145.2–142.8 (m), 144.2 (ddt,  $J = 252.5, 16.1, 5.8$  Hz), 139.2–136.7 (m), 138.7, 137.0, 141.5–136.2 (m), 129.4, 128.8, 127.9, 125.6, 122.3 (t,  $J = 18.3$  Hz), 104.3–102.4 (m), 28.8, 21.3. GC-MS (EI) m/z: 420(44), 405(30), 385(24), 104(18), 91(100), 77(15), 65(20).



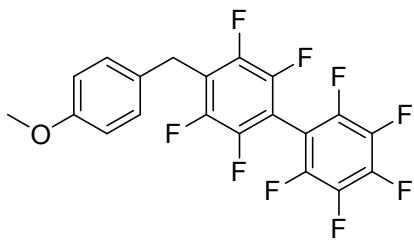
#### **2,2',3,3',4,5,5',6,6'-nonafluoro-4'-(2-methylbenzyl)-1,1'-biphenyl**

White solid, m.p. 140–141 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$ : 7.24–7.14 (m, 3H), 7.08 (d,  $J = 6.6$  Hz, 1H), 4.14 (s, 2H), 2.45 (s, 3H).  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ : -137.20 to -137.64 (m, 2F), -138.92 (qdd,  $J = 12.6, 8.4, 4.0$  Hz, 2F), -141.19 to -141.50 (m, 2F), -150.59 (tt,  $J = 21.0, 2.7$  Hz, 1F), -160.45 to -161.03 (m, 2F).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 101 MHz)  $\delta$ : 146.6–143.7 (m), 145.9–142.9 (m), 144.2 (ddt,  $J = 252.5, 16.0, 4.1$  Hz), 139.2–136.6 (m), 141.2–136.2 (m), 136.2, 134.9, 130.5, 128.5, 127.1, 126.3, 121.5 (t,  $J = 18.2$  Hz), 104.5–102.4 (m), 26.3, 19.6. GC-MS (EI) m/z: 420(55), 400(27), 385(20), 309(20), 105(32), 91(100), 77(32), 65(31).



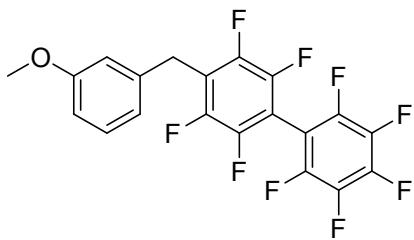
#### **4-([1,1'-biphenyl]-4-ylmethyl)-2,2',3,3',4,5,5',6,6'-nonafluoro-1,1'-biphenyl**

White solid, m.p. 139–140 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$ : 7.59 (dd,  $J = 8.6, 2.2$  Hz, 4H), 7.48–7.40 (m, 4H), 7.39–7.33 (m, 1H), 4.20 (s, 2H).  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ : -137.15 to -137.51 (m, 2F), -138.72 (ttd,  $J = 12.6, 8.4, 4.0$  Hz, 2F), -142.32 (dd,  $J = 20.9, 11.2$  Hz, 2F), -150.60 (tt,  $J = 20.8, 2.7$  Hz, 1F), -160.29 to -161.37 (m, 2F).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 101 MHz)  $\delta$ : 146.3–143.4 (m), 145.9–143.2 (m), 144.0 (ddt,  $J = 252.5, 15.2, 5.1$  Hz), 140.6, 140.2, 139.2–136.5 (m), 141.2–136.4 (m), 136.0, 129.0, 128.8, 127.6, 127.4, 127.0, 122.1 (t,  $J = 18.2$  Hz), 104.5–102.3 (m), 28.6. GC-MS (EI) m/z: 482(79), 167(60), 165(100), 152(89), 115(27), 77(18).



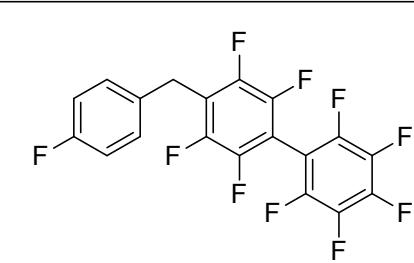
**2,2',3,3',4,5,5',6,6'-nonafluoro-4'-(4-methoxybenzyl)-1,1'-biphenyl**

White solid, m.p. 107–108 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$ : 7.26 (d,  $J = 8.5$  Hz, 2H), 6.86 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H), 4.07 (s, 2H), 3.79 (s, 3H).  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ : -137.17 to -137.70 (m, 2F), -138.95 (ttd,  $J = 12.7$ , 8.4, 4.0 Hz, 2F), -142.78 (dd,  $J = 20.9$ , 11.1 Hz, 2F), -150.74 (tt,  $J = 21.0$ , 2.7 Hz, 1F), -160.67 to -161.08 (m, 2F).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 101 MHz)  $\delta$ : 146.3–143.6 (m), 145.7–142.6 (m), 144.0 (ddt,  $J = 252.5$ , 16.1, 5.1 Hz), 139.2–136.7 (m), 141.1–136.4 (m), 129.7, 129.1, 122.6 (t,  $J = 19.2$  Hz), 114.2, 104.2–102.3 (m), 55.2, 28.1. GC-MS (EI) m/z: 436(56), 218(14), 206(14), 121(100), 77(69).



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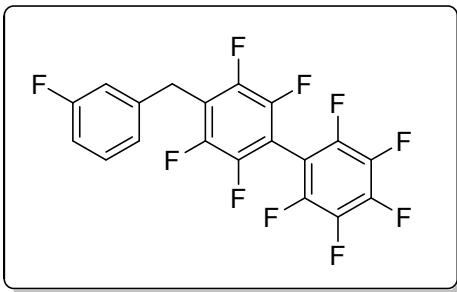
White solid, m.p. 121–122 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$ : 7.28–7.22 (m, 1H), 7.15 (d,  $J = 7.3$  Hz, 1H), 6.90 (dd,  $J = 15.9$ , 8.0 Hz, 2H), 4.13 (s, 2H), 3.85 (s, 3H).  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ : -137.30 to -137.62 (m, 2F), -139.59 to -140.09 (m, 2F), -141.34 to -141.88 (m, 2F), -150.93 (tt,  $J = 20.9$ , 2.6 Hz, 1F), -160.71 to -161.25 (m, 2F).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 101 MHz)  $\delta$ : 157.2, 146.7–144.1 (m), 145.8–143.3 (m), 143.9 (ddt,  $J = 251.5$ , 15.2, 5.1 Hz), 139.2–136.6 (m), 141.0–136.3 (m), 129.8, 128.4, 125.1, 121.8 (t,  $J = 18.2$  Hz), 120.5, 110.3, 104.1–102.5 (m), 55.3, 23.8. GC-MS (EI) m/z: 436(100), 420(27), 401(14), 385(20), 218(18), 121(30), 91(41), 77(65).



**2,2',3,3',4,5,5',6,6'-nonafluoro-4'-(4-fluorobenzyl)-1,1'-biphenyl**

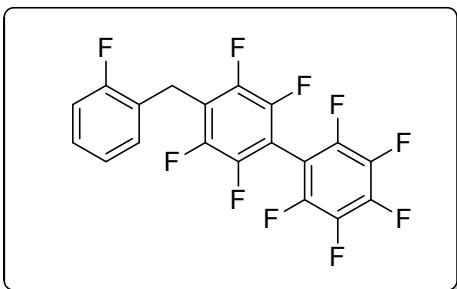
White solid, m.p. 52–53 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$ : 7.36 (d,  $J = 5.3$  Hz, 2H), 7.06 (td,  $J =$

8.6, 1.9 Hz, 2H), 4.18 (s, 2H).  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ : -114.27 to -116.08 (m, 1F), -137.64 (dd,  $J$  = 28.7, 20.5 Hz, 2F), -138.84 (ddd,  $J$  = 17.9, 15.5, 9.1 Hz, 2F), -142.30 to -143.22 (m, 2F), -150.82 (dd,  $J$  = 54.9, 34.0 Hz, 1F), -160.99 (ddd,  $J$  = 49.3, 31.8, 22.3 Hz, 2F).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 101 MHz)  $\delta$ : 161.9 (d,  $J$  = 244.5 Hz), 146.3–143.7 (m), 145.7–143.2 (m), 144.1 (ddt,  $J$  = 251.5, 15.2, 5.1 Hz), 139.3–136.6 (m), 141.1–136.4 (m), 132.8, 130.2 (d,  $J$  = 8.1 Hz), 122.0 (t,  $J$  = 18.2 Hz), 115.7 (d,  $J$  = 21.2 Hz), 104.6–102.3 (m), 28.1. GC-MS (EI) m/z: 424(75), 403(24), 237(19), 212(18), 145(20), 126(34), 109(100), 83(30).



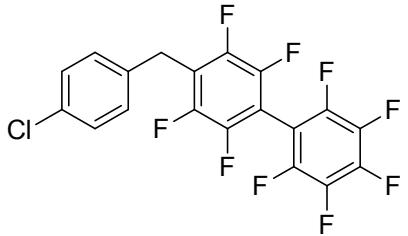
### **2,2',3,3',4,5,5',6,6'-nonafluoro-4'-(3-fluorobenzyl)-1,1'-biphenyl**

White solid, m.p. 81–82 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$ : 7.36–7.30 (m, 1H), 7.13 (d,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (d,  $J$  = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 6.99 (td,  $J$  = 8.4, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 4.16 (s, 2H).  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ : -112.50 (td,  $J$  = 9.0, 6.0 Hz, 1F), -137.09 to -137.86 (m, 2F), -137.96 to -139.09 (m, 2F), -142.34 (dd,  $J$  = 20.1, 10.5 Hz, 2F), -150.51 (ddd,  $J$  = 20.8, 11.9, 2.7 Hz, 1F), -160.08 to -161.41 (m, 2F).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 101 MHz)  $\delta$ : 162.9 (d,  $J$  = 248.2 Hz), 146.2–143.5 (m), 145.8–143.2 (m), 144.0 (ddt,  $J$  = 253.5, 15.2, 5.0 Hz), 139.3 (d,  $J$  = 7.1 Hz), 139.3–136.7 (m), 141.2–136.4 (m), 130.4 (d,  $J$  = 8.1 Hz), 124.2, 121.4 (t,  $J$  = 18.2 Hz), 115.6 (d,  $J$  = 22.2 Hz), 114.1 (d,  $J$  = 25.3 Hz), 104.8–102.2 (m), 28.6. GC-MS (EI) m/z: 424(100), 403(34), 329(22), 237(27), 167(26), 126(40), 109(92), 83(34).



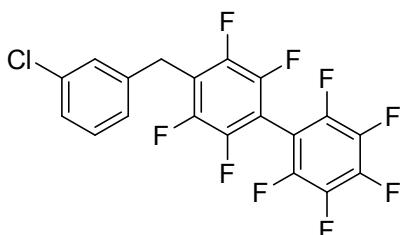
### **2,2',3,3',4,5,5',6,6'-nonafluoro-4'-(2-fluorobenzyl)-1,1'-biphenyl**

White solid, m.p. 90–91 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$ : 7.28–7.26 (m, 2H), 7.15–7.04 (m, 2H), 4.19 (s, 2H).  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ : -116.52 to -117.84 (m, 1F), -136.21 to -138.09 (m, 2F), -138.19 to -139.86 (m, 2F), -141.77 (dd,  $J$  = 19.8, 9.6 Hz, 2F), -150.13 to -151.13 (m, 1F), -160.21 to -161.63 (m, 2F).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 101 MHz)  $\delta$ : 160.7 (d,  $J$  = 247.1 Hz), 146.5–143.8 (m), 145.7–143.2 (m), 144.1 (ddt,  $J$  = 253.5, 15.2, 5.0 Hz), 139.2–136.6 (m), 141.2–136.5 (m), 130.5 (d,  $J$  = 4.0 Hz), 129.0 (d,  $J$  = 8.1 Hz), 124.3 (d,  $J$  = 3.0 Hz), 123.8 (d,  $J$  = 8.1 Hz), 120.6 (t,  $J$  = 18.2 Hz), 115.6 (d,  $J$  = 22 Hz), 104.8–102.3 (m), 22.2. GC-MS (EI) m/z: 424(100), 403(30), 385(17), 329(20), 237(24), 145(19), 126(34), 109(85), 83(31).



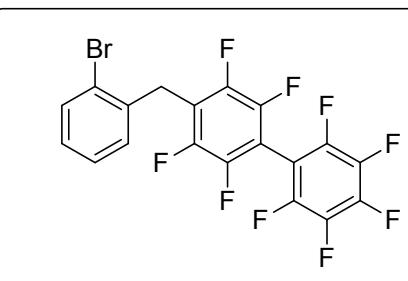
**4-(4-chlorobenzyl)-2,2',3,3',4',5,5',6,6'-nonafluoro-1,1'-biphenyl**

White solid, m.p. 98–99 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$ : 7.31–7.25 (m, 4H), 4.10 (s, 2H).  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ : -137.15 to -137.59 (m, 2F), -138.34 to -138.79 (m, 2F), -142.47 (dd,  $J$  = 20.7, 11.1 Hz, 2F), -150.49 (tt,  $J$  = 20.9, 2.8 Hz, 1F), -160.43 to -160.96 (m, 2F).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 101 MHz)  $\delta$ : 146.2–143.6 (m), 145.7–143.1 (m), 144.1 (ddt,  $J$  = 252.5, 16.1, 5.1 Hz), 139.2–136.6 (m), 141.2–136.5 (m), 135.5, 133.1, 129.9, 129.0, 121.6 (t,  $J$  = 18.2 Hz), 114.2, 104.7–102.2 (m), 28.3. GC-MS (EI) m/z: 442 (17), 440 (49), 405(100), 385(68), 203(36), 125(26), 89(29).



**4-(3-chlorobenzyl)-2,2',3,3',4',5,5',6,6'-nonafluoro-1,1'-biphenyl**

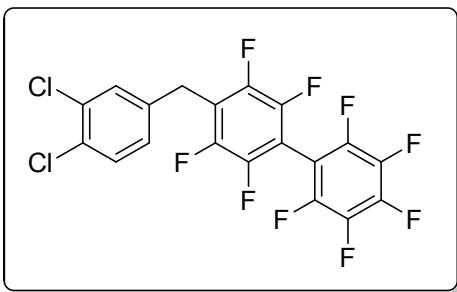
White solid, m.p. 90–91 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$ : 7.31–7.20 (m, 4H), 4.11 (s, 2H).  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ : -137.09 to -137.61 (m, 2F), -138.06 to -138.52 (m, 2F), -142.26 (dd,  $J$  = 21.5, 12.4 Hz, 2F), -150.50 (t,  $J$  = 20.9 Hz, 1F), -160.73 (td,  $J$  = 20.2, 5.7 Hz, 2F).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 101 MHz)  $\delta$ : 146.2–143.4 (m), 145.8–143.2 (m), 144.0 (ddt,  $J$  = 251.5, 15.2, 5.1 Hz), 138.8, 139.3–136.7 (m), 141.0–136.4 (m), 134.6, 130.1, 128.7, 127.4, 126.8, 121.2 (t,  $J$  = 18.2 Hz), 104.8–102.2 (m), 28.5. GC-MS (EI) m/z: 442 (18), 440 (56), 405(100), 385(73), 203(19), 192(28), 89(29).



**4-(2-bromobenzyl)-2,2',3,3',4',5,5',6,6'-nonafluoro-1,1'-biphenyl**

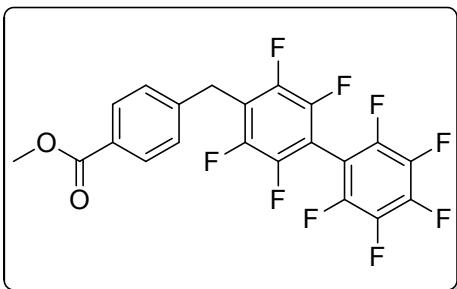
White solid, m.p. 124–125 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$ : 7.61 (dd,  $J$  = 7.9, 0.8 Hz, 1H),

7.30–7.22 (m, 1H), 7.14 (td,  $J$  = 7.8, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.08 (d,  $J$  = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 4.28 (s, 2H).  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ : -136.99 to -137.64 (m, 2F), -138.51 to -139.19 (m, 2F), -140.41 to -140.84 (m, 2F), -150.03 to -150.91 (m, 1F), -160.69 (ddt,  $J$  = 21.0, 10.5, 5.2 Hz, 2F).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 101 MHz)  $\delta$ : 146.6–143.7 (m), 145.9–143.2 (m), 144.1 (ddt,  $J$  = 251.5, 15.2, 5.1 Hz), 139.3–136.6 (m), 141.2–136.1 (m), 136.1, 133.1, 129.7, 128.7, 127.7, 124.3, 120.4 (t,  $J$  = 18.2 Hz), 105.0–102.2 (m), 29.5. GC-MS (EI) m/z: 486(29), 484(28), 405(97), 385(100), 237(35), 193(62), 167(34), 90(31), 89(42), 63(26).



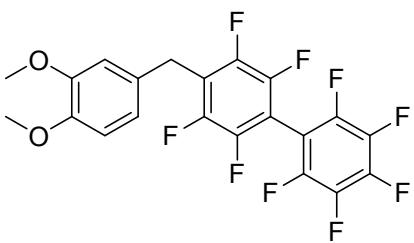
#### **4-(3,4-dichlorobenzyl)-2,2',3,3',4',5,5',6,6'-nonafluoro-1,1'-biphenyl**

White solid, m.p. 122–123 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$ : 7.41 (dd,  $J$  = 5.1, 3.1 Hz, 2H), 7.17 (dd,  $J$  = 8.2, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 4.10 (s, 2H).  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ : -137.09 to -137.64 (m, 2F), -138.12 (qdd,  $J$  = 12.2, 8.4, 3.7 Hz, 2F), -142.24 (dd,  $J$  = 20.8, 11.2 Hz, 2F), -150.30 (tt,  $J$  = 20.9, 2.8 Hz, 1F), -160.21 to -161.21 (m, 2F).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 101 MHz)  $\delta$ : 146.6–143.5 (m), 145.9–143.2 (m), 144.0 (ddt,  $J$  = 253.5, 16.2, 4.1 Hz), 137.0, 139.3–136.6 (m), 141.3–136.4 (m), 132.9, 131.4, 130.8, 130.5, 128.0, 120.8 (t,  $J$  = 18.2 Hz), 105.1–102.1 (m), 28.1. GC-MS (EI) m/z: 476(22), 474(58), 438(100), 403(54), 237(44), 202(59), 177(43), 167(53), 158(26), 123(58).



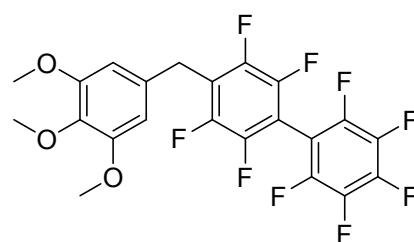
#### **methyl 4-((perfluoro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl)methyl)benzoate**

White solid, m.p. 87–88 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$ : 8.01 (d,  $J$  = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.39 (d,  $J$  = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 4.20 (s, 2H), 3.92 (s, 3H).  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ : -136.99 to -137.96 (m, 2F), -138.09 to -138.74 (m, 2F), -142.14 (dd,  $J$  = 20.8, 11.2 Hz, 2F), -150.35 (tt,  $J$  = 21.1, 2.8 Hz, 1F), -160.21 to -161.08 (m, 2F).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 101 MHz)  $\delta$ : 166.6, 146.5–143.5 (m), 145.8–143.2 (m), 144.0 (ddt,  $J$  = 253.5, 16.2, 4.1 Hz), 142.1, 139.3–136.6 (m), 141.2–136.4 (m), 130.2, 129.1, 128.6, 121.2 (t,  $J$  = 18.2 Hz), 104.9–102.2 (m), 52.1, 28.9. GC-MS (EI) m/z: 464(39), 432(100), 384(40), 216(55), 192(29), 63(13).



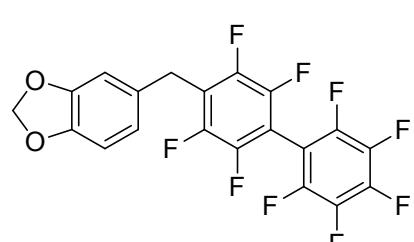
**4-(3,4-dimethoxybenzyl)-2,2',3,3',4',5,5',6,6'-nonafluoro-1,1'-biphenyl**

White solid, m.p. 78–79 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$ : 6.90 (s, 2H), 6.85 (d,  $J$  = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 4.10 (s, 2H), 3.93 (s, 3H), 3.89 (s, 3H).  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ : -137.09 to -137.76 (m, 2F), -138.82 (ttd,  $J$  = 12.7, 8.4, 4.0 Hz, 2F), -142.76 (dd,  $J$  = 20.9, 11.1 Hz, 2F), -150.63 (tt,  $J$  = 21.0, 2.7 Hz, 1F), -160.43 to -161.31 (m, 2F).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 101 MHz)  $\delta$ : 149.0, 148.0, 146.2–143.4 (m), 145.7–143.1 (m), 144.0 (ddt,  $J$  = 252.5, 15.2, 5.1 Hz), 139.2–136.5 (m), 141.0–136.3 (m), 129.45, 121.4 (t,  $J$  = 18.2 Hz), 120.6, 111.7, 111.2, 104.2–102.3 (m), 55.8 (2C), 28.5. GC-MS (EI) m/z: 466(46), 329(100), 233(14), 151(11), 77(27), 51(17).



**2,2',3,3',4,5,5',6,6'-nonafluoro-4'-(3,4,5-trimethoxybenzyl)-1,1'-biphenyl**

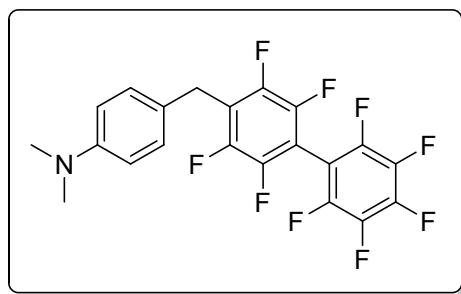
White solid, m.p. 82–83 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$ : 6.57 (s, 2H), 4.07 (s, 2H), 3.88 (s, 6H), 3.84 (s, 3H).  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ : -136.99 to -137.96 (m, 2F), -138.62 (ttd,  $J$  = 12.6, 8.4, 3.9 Hz, 2F), -142.54 (dd,  $J$  = 21.0, 11.1 Hz, 2F), -150.46 (tt,  $J$  = 20.9, 2.8 Hz, 1F), -160.31 to -161.21 (m, 2F).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 101 MHz)  $\delta$ : 153.4, 146.2–143.4 (m), 145.6–143.1 (m), 144.0 (ddt,  $J$  = 252.5, 16.2, 5.1 Hz), 137.1, 139.2–136.5 (m), 141.1–136.4 (m), 132.6, 122.1 (t,  $J$  = 18.2 Hz), 105.6, 104.4–102.1 (m), 60.7, 56.0 (2C), 29.1. GC-MS (EI) m/z: 496(43), 309(67), 208(45), 207(100), 128(29), 77(86), 55(66).



**5-((perfluoro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl)methyl)benzo[d][1,3]dioxole**

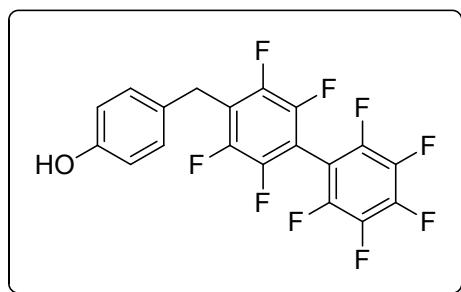
White solid, m.p. 92–93 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$ : 6.82–6.76 (m, 3H), 5.96 (s, 2H), 4.06

(s, 2H).  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ : -136.99 to -137.76 (m, 2F), -138.78 (ttd,  $J = 12.5, 8.3, 4.0$  Hz, 2F), -142.65 (dd,  $J = 20.8, 11.0$  Hz, 2F), -150.63 (tt,  $J = 20.9, 2.7$  Hz, 1F), -160.43 to -161.41 (m, 2F).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 101 MHz)  $\delta$ : 147.9, 146.6, 146.1–143.4 (m), 145.7–143.1 (m), 144.0 (ddt,  $J = 252.5, 15.2, 5.1$  Hz), 139.2–136.5 (m), 141.1–136.4 (m), 130.7, 122.2 (t,  $J = 18.2$  Hz), 121.7, 109.0, 108.5, 104.4–102.1 (m), 101.1, 28.6. GC-MS (EI) m/z: 450(100), 449(26), 391(28), 372(22), 225(36), 135(73), 77(50), 51(28).



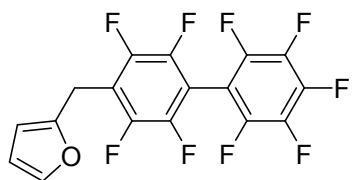
#### ***N,N*-dimethyl-4-((perfluoro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl)methyl)aniline**

White solid, m.p. 141–142 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 600 MHz)  $\delta$ : 7.21 (d,  $J = 8.5$  Hz, 2H), 6.69 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H), 4.04 (s, 2H), 2.93 (s, 6H).  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ : -137.07 to -137.58 (m, 2F), -138.83 to -139.51 (m, 2F), -142.85 (dd,  $J = 21.1, 11.2$  Hz, 2F), -150.88 (t,  $J = 20.9$  Hz, 1F), -160.71 to -161.51 (m, 2F).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 151 MHz)  $\delta$ : 149.7, 145.6–143.2 (m), 144.9–142.9 (m), 141.4 (ddt,  $J = 257.6, 16.2, 6.0$  Hz), 138.8–136.9 (m), 129.3, 124.8, 123.2 (t,  $J = 18.2$  Hz), 112.8, 103.9–102.6 (m), 40.5, 28.0. GC-MS (EI) m/z: 449(100), 448(62), 385(12), 225(23), 134(73), 118(49), 91(14).



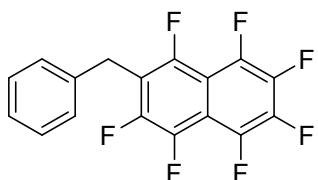
#### **4-((perfluoro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl)methyl)phenol**

Colorless liquid.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 600 MHz)  $\delta$ : 7.33 (d,  $J = 8.5$  Hz, 2H), 7.02 (d,  $J = 8.6$  Hz, 2H), 4.14 (s, 2H).  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ : -137.16 to -137.46 (m, 2F), -137.80 to -138.06 (m, 1F), -138.52 (td,  $J = 14.8, 6.0$  Hz, 1F), -142.52 (dd,  $J = 20.9, 11.2$  Hz, 1F), -149.89 to -150.52 (m, 1F), -152.68 (td,  $J = 11.8, 4.6$  Hz, 1F), -160.28 to -160.76 (m, 2F).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 151 MHz)  $\delta$ : 156.0, 146.0–143.4 (m), 145.0–142.8 (m), 144.1 (ddt,  $J = 257.6, 16.2, 6.0$  Hz), 138.9–137.1 (m), 141.2–137.1 (m), 133.0, 130.1, 121.9 (t,  $J = 18.2$  Hz), 116.3, 104.6–102.3 (m), 28.2. GC-MS (EI) m/z: 422(32), 91(100), 77(8), 65(38).



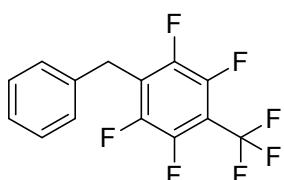
**2-((perfluoro-[1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl)methyl)furan**

White solid, m.p. 85–86 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 600 MHz)  $\delta$ : 7.33 (d,  $J$  = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 6.31 (dd,  $J$  = 4.7, 2.9 Hz, 1H), 6.17 (d,  $J$  = 4.7 Hz, 1H), 4.16 (s, 2H).  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ : -137.25 – -137.42 (m, 2F), -138.76 (dt,  $J$  = 10.7, 7.4 Hz, 2F), -142.49 (dd,  $J$  = 21.2, 11.8 Hz, 2F), -150.48 (t,  $J$  = 20.9 Hz, 1F), -160.68 (tt,  $J$  = 10.4, 5.3 Hz, 2F).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 151 MHz)  $\delta$ : 149.7, 146.0–144.2 (m), 145.5–143.7 (m), 145.0–143.1 (m), 142.1, 138.8–137.0 (m), 119.2 (t,  $J$  = 18.2 Hz), 110.6, 107.0, 104.9–102.4 (m), 21.9. GC-MS (EI) m/z: 396(100), 349(65), 329(33) 299(29), 198 (21), 81(69).



**2-benzyl-1,3,4,5,6,7,8-heptafluoronaphthalene**

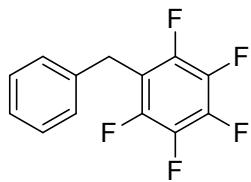
White solid, m.p. 115–116 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$ : 7.32–7.18 (m, 5H), 4.18 (s, 2H).  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ : -122.05 (dd,  $J$  = 67.6, 18.7 Hz, 1F), -137.50 (d,  $J$  = 17.6 Hz, 1F), -144.54 (dt,  $J$  = 67.6, 16.8 Hz, 1F), -145.94 to -147.04 (m, 1F), -148.14 to -150.13 (m, 1F), -154.33 (t,  $J$  = 18.6 Hz, 1F), -156.00 (ddd,  $J$  = 13.4, 6.6, 3.3 Hz, 1F).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 101 MHz)  $\delta$ : 151.4–147.7 (m), 148.9–145.3 (m), 142.5–139.6 (m), 141.9–139.1 (m), 140.7–137.9 (m), 137.4, 128.8, 128.5, 127.0, 118.8–118.3 (m), 111.4–107.8 (m), 28.7. GC-MS (EI) m/z: 344(100), 324(37), 323(46), 305(27), 267(14), 137(27), 91(25).



**1-benzyl-2,3,5,6-tetrafluoro-4-(trifluoromethyl)benzene**

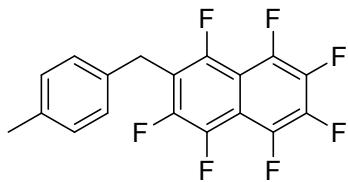
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NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ: -56.32 (t, *J* = 21.5 Hz, 3F), -140.34 to -141.17 (m, 2F), -141.30 to -141.59 (m, 2F). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 101 MHz) δ: 146.4–143.7 (m), 145.6–145.5 (m), 136.5, 129.0, 128.5, 127.3, 124.4 (t, *J* = 18.2 Hz), 125.0–116.8 (m), 108.5–107.5 (m), 28.8. GC-MS (EI) m/z: 308(100), 289(29), 287(24), 237(24), 91(44).



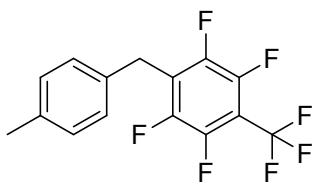
### **1-benzyl-2,3,4,5,6-pentafluorobenzene**

White solid, m.p. 56–57 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz) δ: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.48–7.19 (m, 5H), 4.08 (s, 2H). <sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ: -143.34 (dd, *J* = 22.4, 8.3 Hz, 2F), -157.17 (t, *J* = 20.8 Hz, 1F), -162.42 (dt, *J* = 22.3, 8.4 Hz, 2F). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 101 MHz) δ: 146.3–143.6 (m), 141.3–138.6 (m), 138.9–136.1 (m), 137.4, 128.8, 128.3, 127.0, 114.4 (td, *J* = 19.2, 4.0 Hz), 28.1. HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N ([M+H]<sup>+</sup>): 164.1434, found: 164.1431. MS (EI) m/z: 181, 138, 124, 110, 98, 68, GC-MS (EI) m/z: 258(100), 237(51), 219(27), 181(11), 91(23).



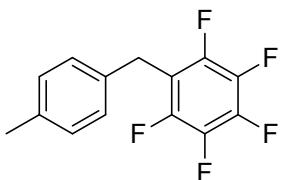
### **1,2,3,4,5,6,8-heptafluoro-7-(4-methylbenzyl)naphthalene**

White solid, m.p. 132–133 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 600 MHz) δ: 7.19 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.10 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 4.15 (s, 2H), 2.30 (s, 3H). <sup>19</sup>F NMR (564 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ: -122.19 (dd, *J* = 67.1, 19.1 Hz, 1F), -137.54 (d, *J* = 16.9 Hz, 1F), -144.60 (dt, *J* = 67.5, 16.8 Hz, 1F), -146.30 to -146.66 (m, 1F), -149.08 (dt, *J* = 57.1, 18.3 Hz, 1F), -154.46 (t, *J* = 18.5 Hz, 1F), -156.10 (t, *J* = 16.9 Hz, 1F). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 151 MHz) δ: 151.0–147.4 (m), 149.1–145.7 (m), 142.1–140.2 (m), 141.5–138.8 (m), 139.7–136.6 (m), 136.7, 134.4, 129.5, 128.4, 119.0–118.0 (m), 110.5–107.9 (m), 28.4, 21.0. GC-MS (EI) m/z: 358(100), 343(67), 323(71), 105(30), 91(58), 77(24), 65(19).



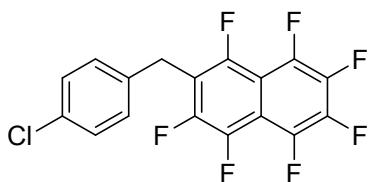
**1,2,4,5-tetrafluoro-3-(4-methylbenzyl)-6-(trifluoromethyl)benzene**

Colorless liquid.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 600 MHz)  $\delta$ : 7.20 (d,  $J = 7.9$  Hz, 2H), 7.15 (d,  $J = 7.9$  Hz, 2H), 4.09 (s, 2H), 2.35 (s, 3H).  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (564 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ : -56.35 (t,  $J = 21.6$  Hz, 3F), -140.97 to -141.24 (m, 2F), -141.48 to -141.72 (m, 2F).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 151 MHz)  $\delta$ : 145.9–144.1 (m), 145.0–143.2 (m), 137.0, 133.5, 129.6, 128.4, 124.8 (t,  $J = 18.2$  Hz), 127.2–120.8 (m), 108.1–107.5 (m), 28.5, 20.9. GC-MS (EI) m/z: 322(62), 307(52), 287(16), 238(19), 91(100), 77(15), 65 (16).



**1,2,3,4,5-pentafluoro-6-(4-methylbenzyl)benzene**

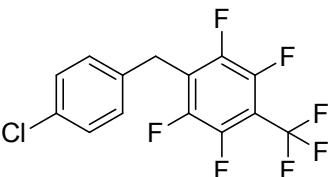
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**2-(4-chlorobenzyl)-1,3,4,5,6,7,8-heptafluoronaphthalene**

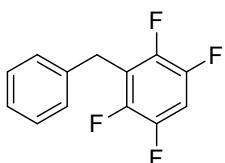
White solid, m.p. 110–112 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 600 MHz)  $\delta$ : 7.28–7.20 (m, 4H), 4.16 (s, 2H).  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (564 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ : -122.10 (dd,  $J = 67.5, 18.6$  Hz, 1F), -137.84 (d,  $J = 17.1$  Hz, 1F), -144.46 (dt,  $J = 67.6, 16.8$  Hz, 1F), -146.09 to -146.41 (m, 1F), -148.56 to -148.90 (m, 1F), -154.03 (t,  $J = 18.6$  Hz, 1F), -155.68 to -155.89 (m, 1F).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 151 MHz)  $\delta$ : 151.0–147.1 (m), 149.3–145.5 (m), 142.1–139.7 (m), 141.6–139.5 (m), 138.7–137.2 (m), 135.8, 133.0, 129.9, 129.0,

118.2–117.9 (m), 110.6–107.9 (m), 28.1. GC-MS (EI) m/z: 380(25), 378(87), 343(93), 323(100), 162(54), 146(66), 125(30), 89(36), 75(11).



### **1-(4-chlorobenzyl)-2,3,5,6-tetrafluoro-4-(trifluoromethyl)benzene**

Colorless liquid.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 600 MHz)  $\delta$ : 7.28 (d,  $J = 8.2$  Hz, 2H), 7.21 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 2H), 4.07 (s, 2H).  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (564 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ : -56.38 (t,  $J = 21.6$  Hz, 3F), -140.50 to -140.82 (m, 2F), -141.25 to -141.69 (m, 2F).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 151 MHz)  $\delta$ : 145.9–144.2 (m), 145.1–143.3 (m), 134.9, 133.4, 129.8, 129.1, 123.8 (t,  $J = 18.2$  Hz), 125.2–120.0 (m), 108.9–108.0 (m), 28.3. GC-MS (EI) m/z: 344(15), 342(51), 307(100), 287(31), 238(41), 125(19), 89(20), 75(12).



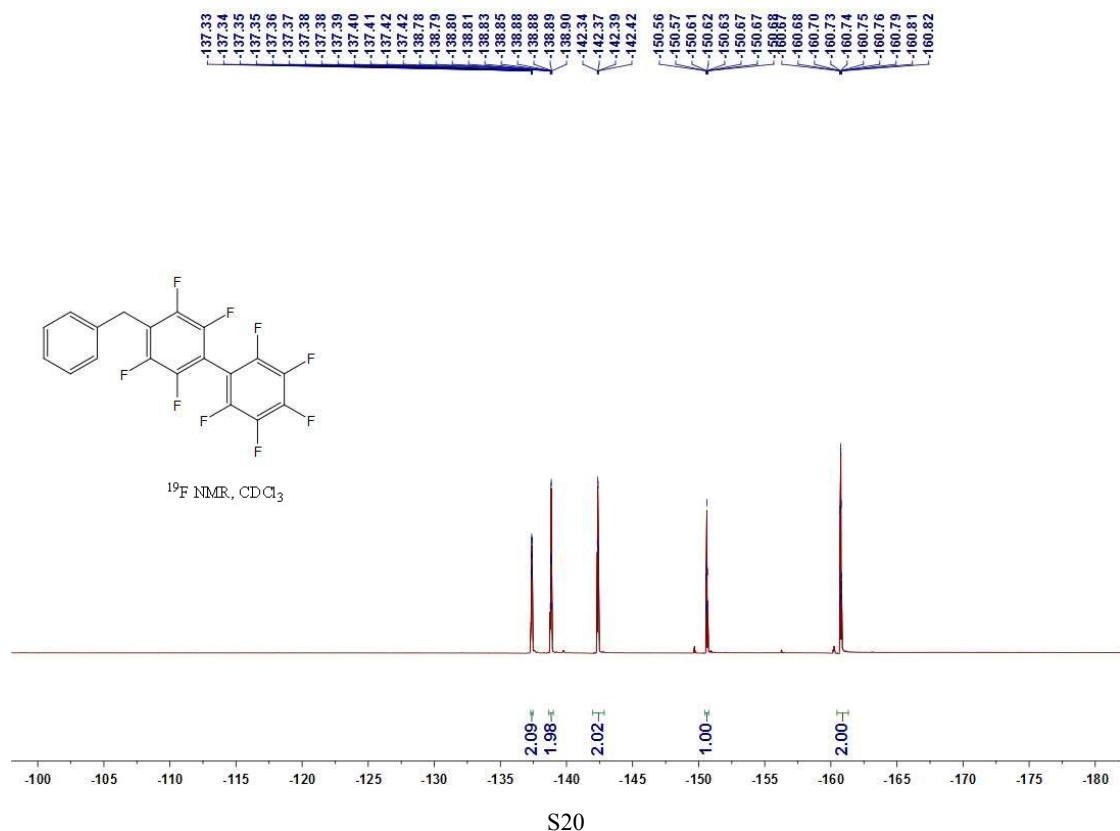
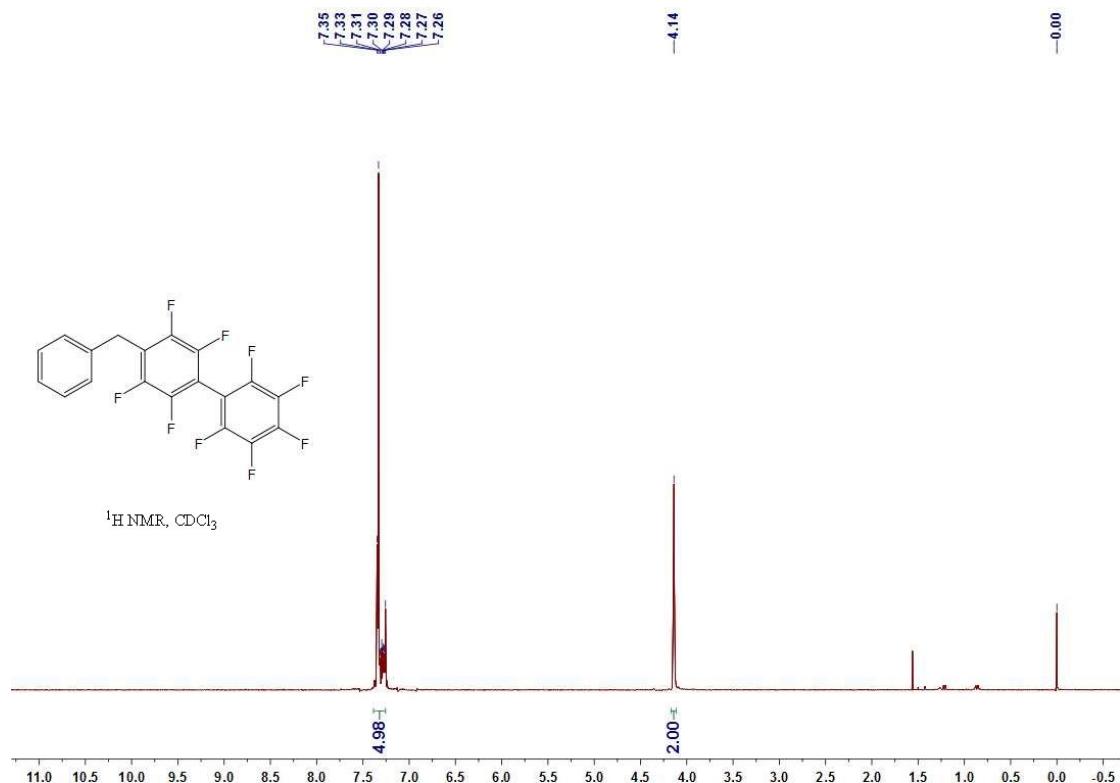
**3-benzyl-1,2,4,5-tetrafluorobenzene** Colorless liquid.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$ : 7.41 – 7.11 (m, 5H), 6.93 (tt,  $J = 9.7, 7.4$  Hz, 1H), 4.06 (s, 2H).  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$ : -137.70 to -140.49 (m, 2F), -143.78 (ddd,  $J = 20.8, 13.0, 7.4$  Hz, 2F).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 101 MHz)  $\delta$ : 145.8 (dm,  $J = 248.5$  Hz), 144.7 (dm,  $J = 245.4$  Hz), 137.6, 128.7, 128.4, 126.8, 120.3 (t,  $J = 18.2$  Hz), 104.1 (t,  $J = 22.2$  Hz), 28.7. GC-MS (EI) m/z: 240, 220, 219, 201, 189, 163, 143, 109, 91, 85, 51.

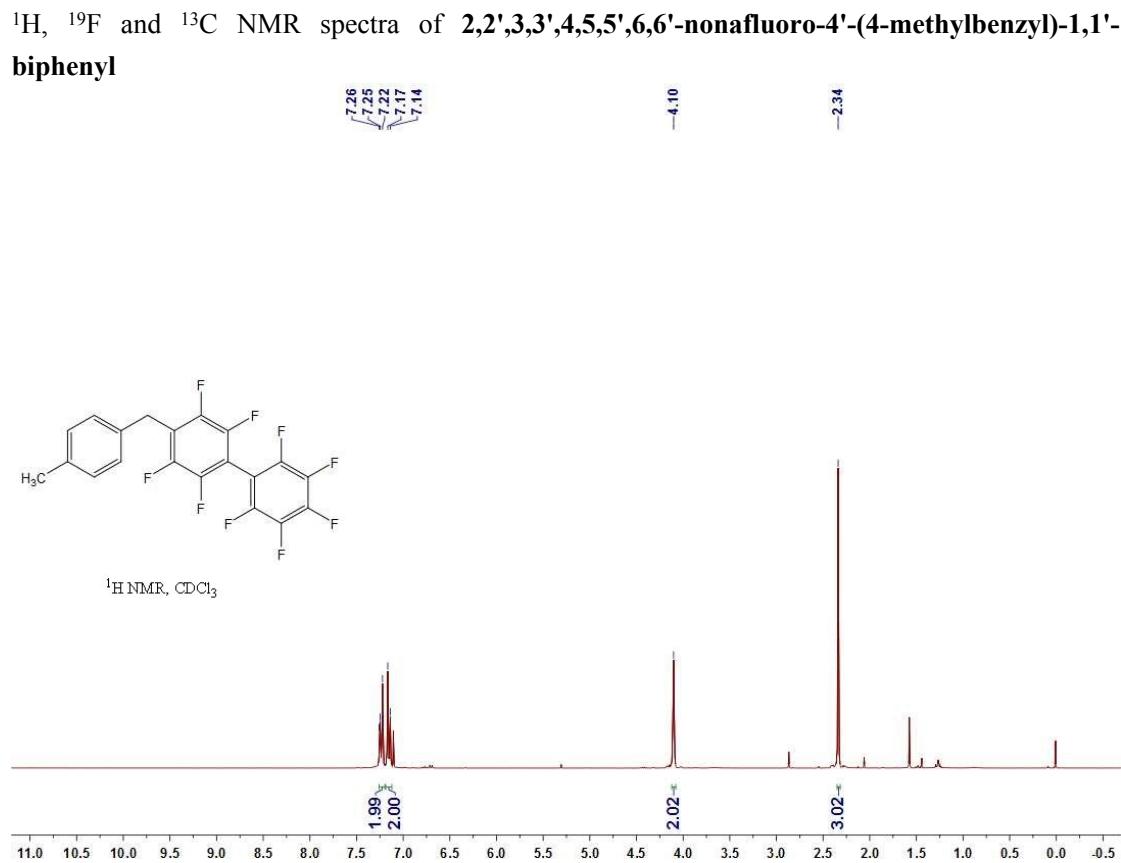
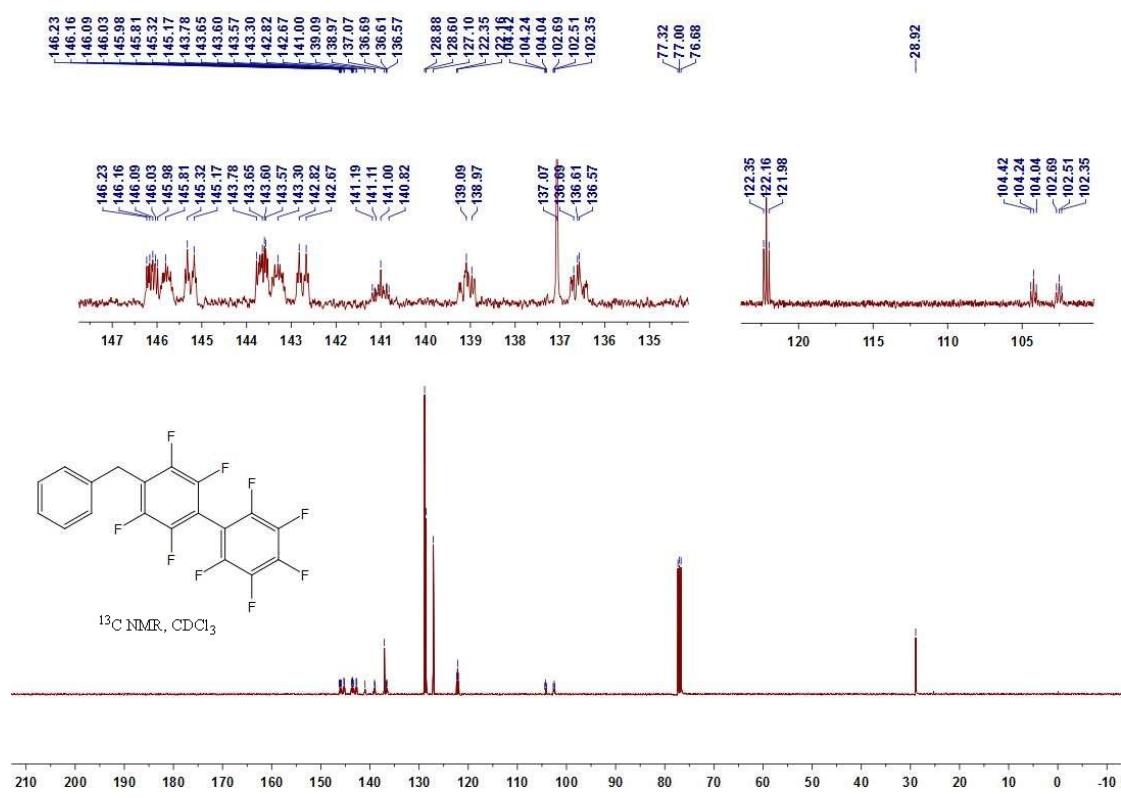
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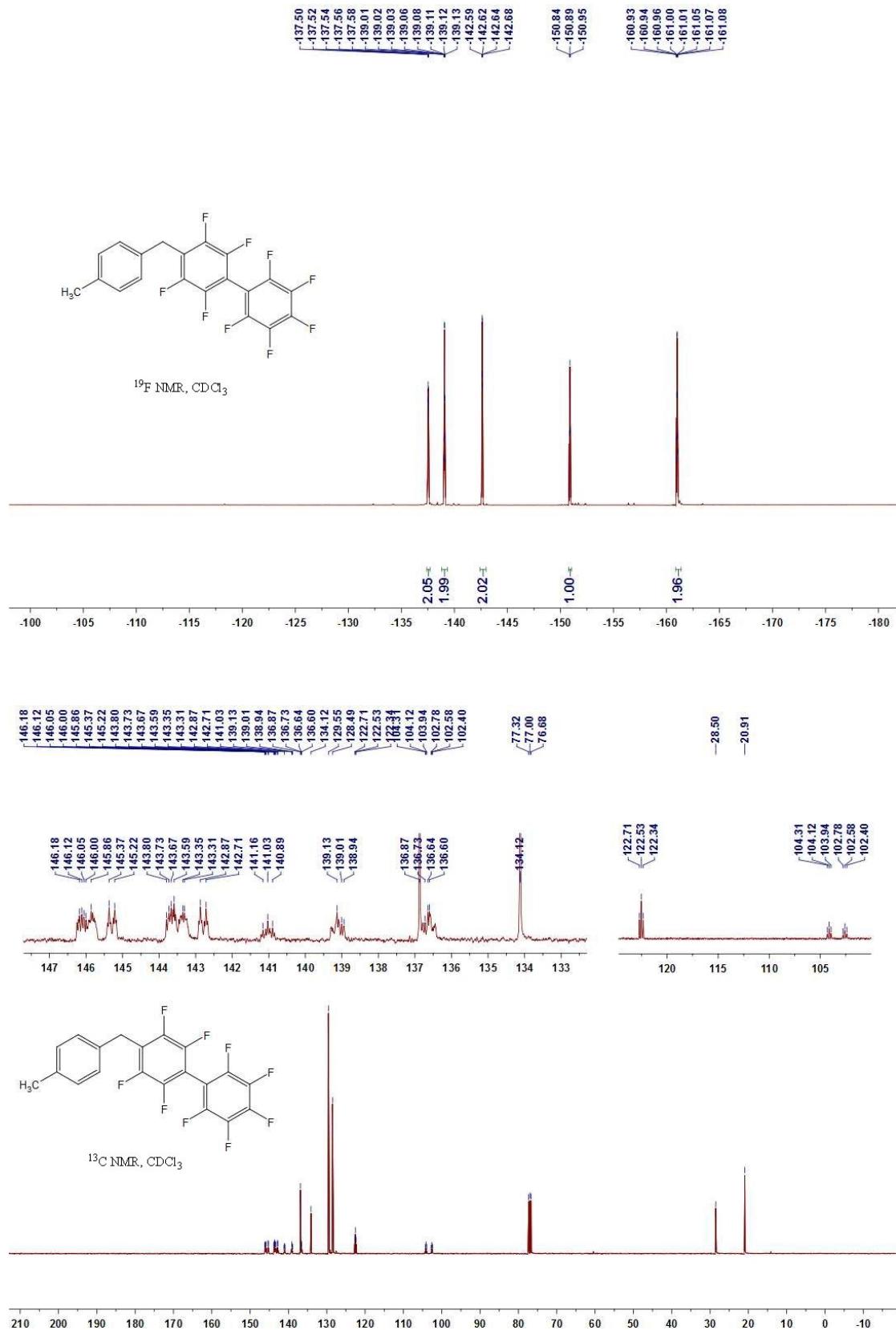
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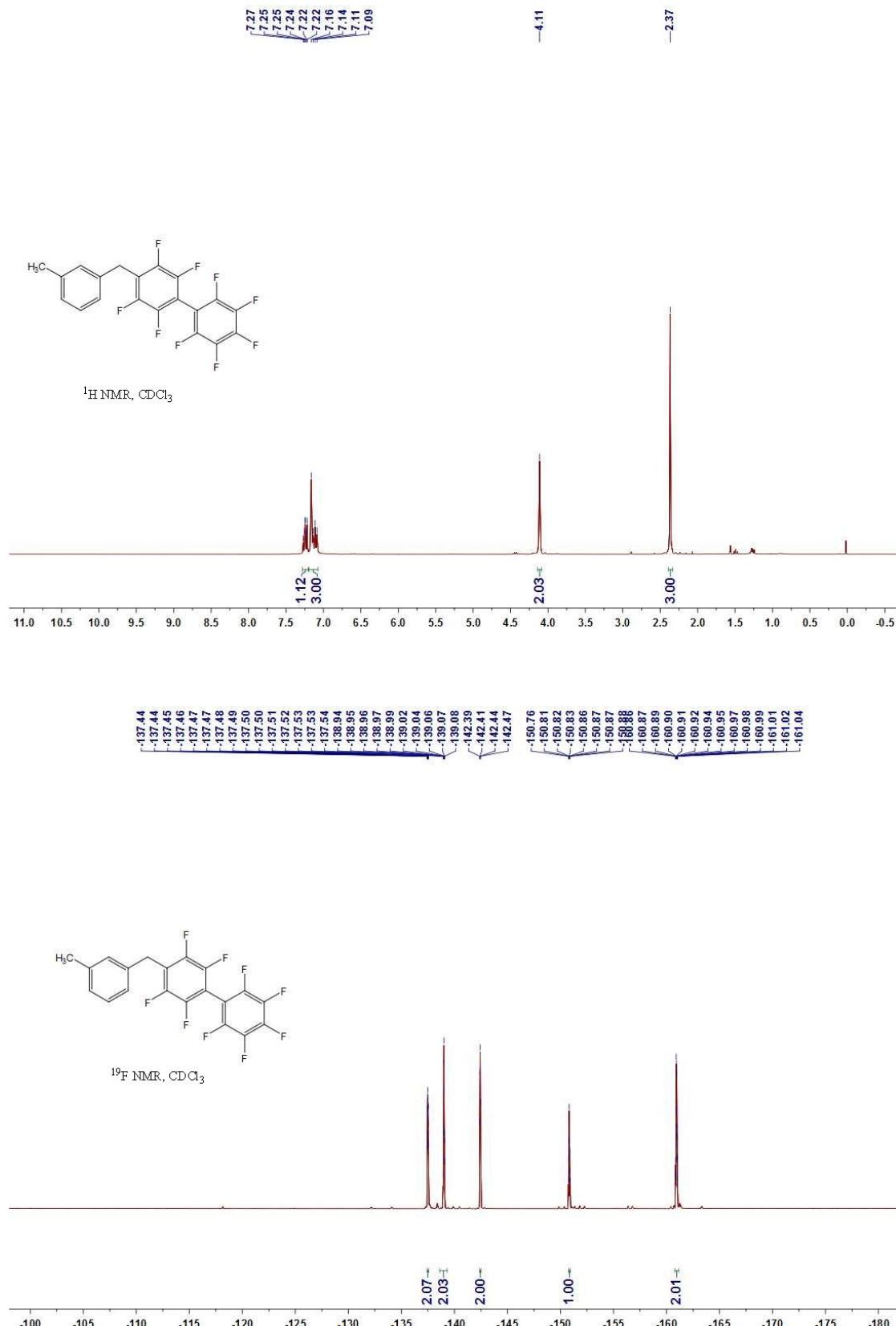
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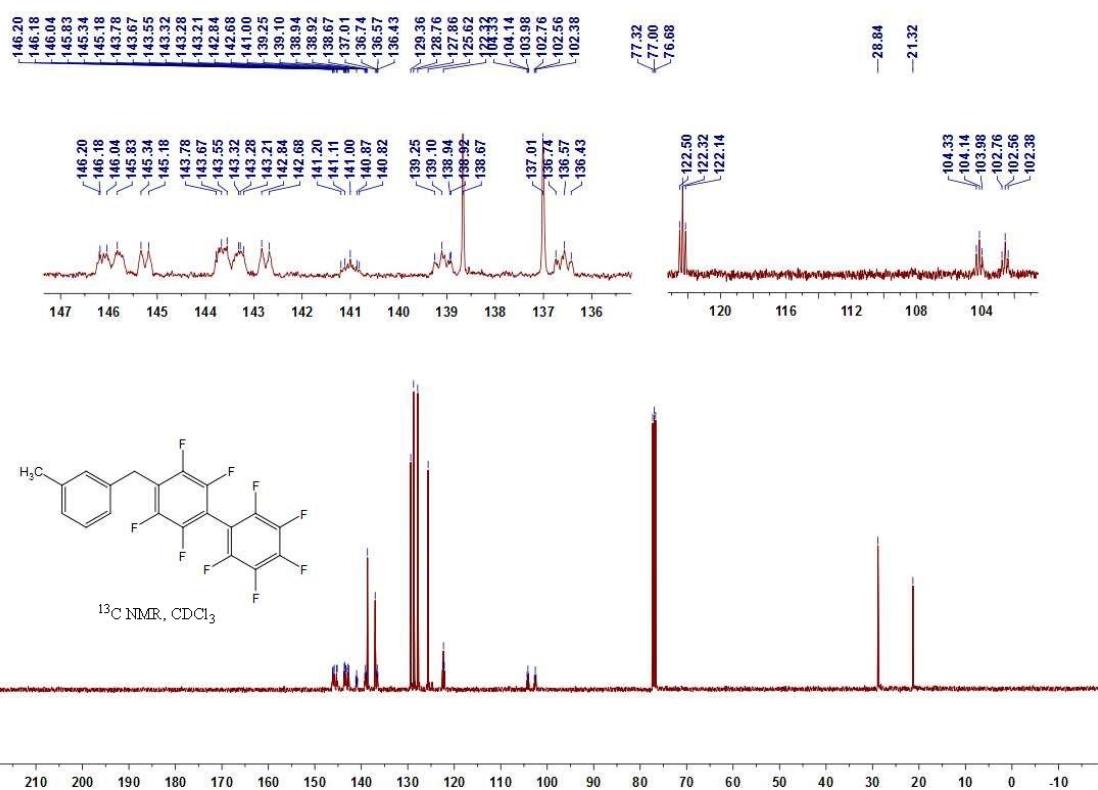




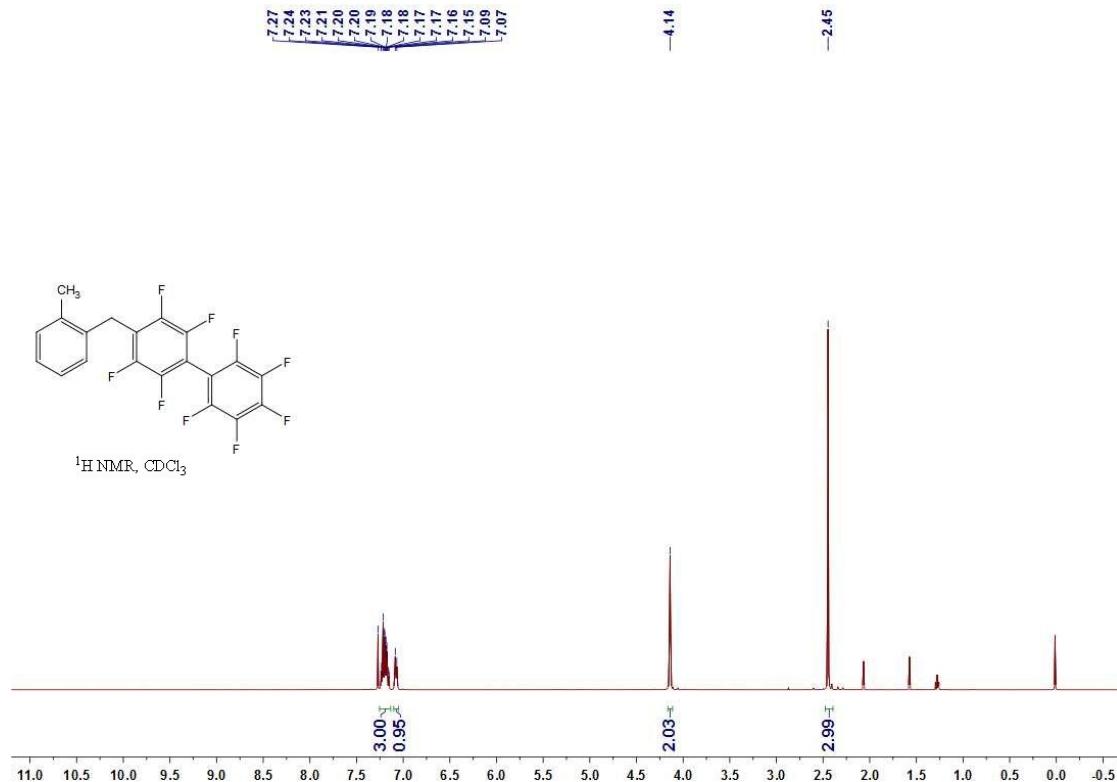


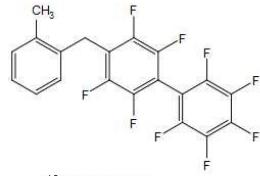
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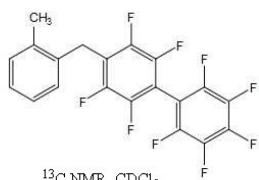
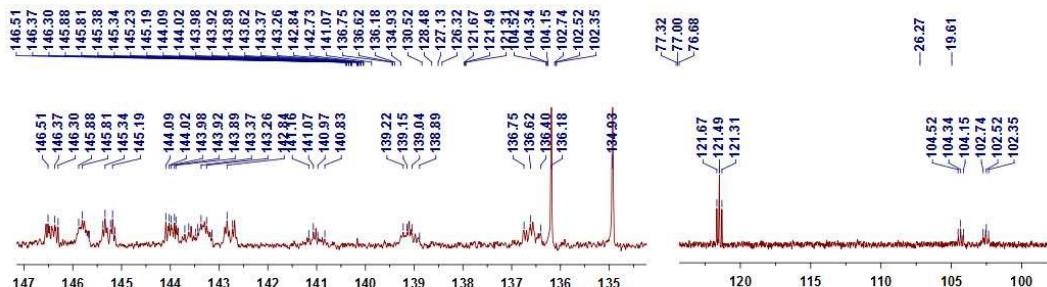
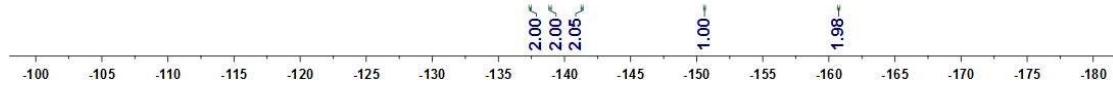


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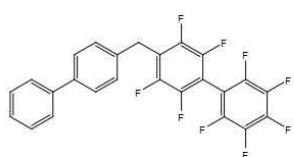
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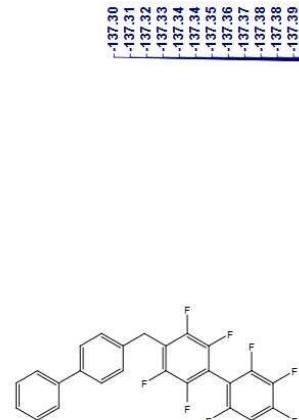
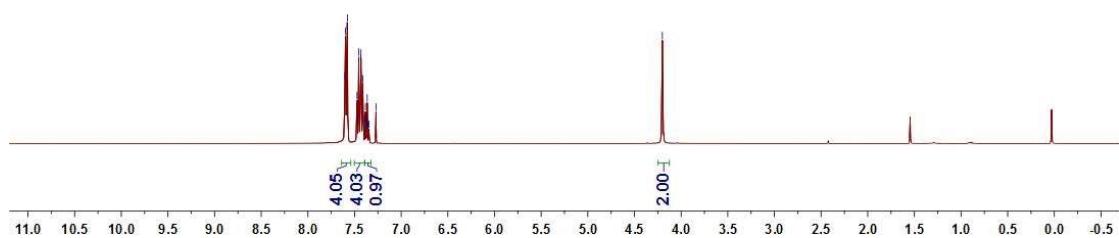
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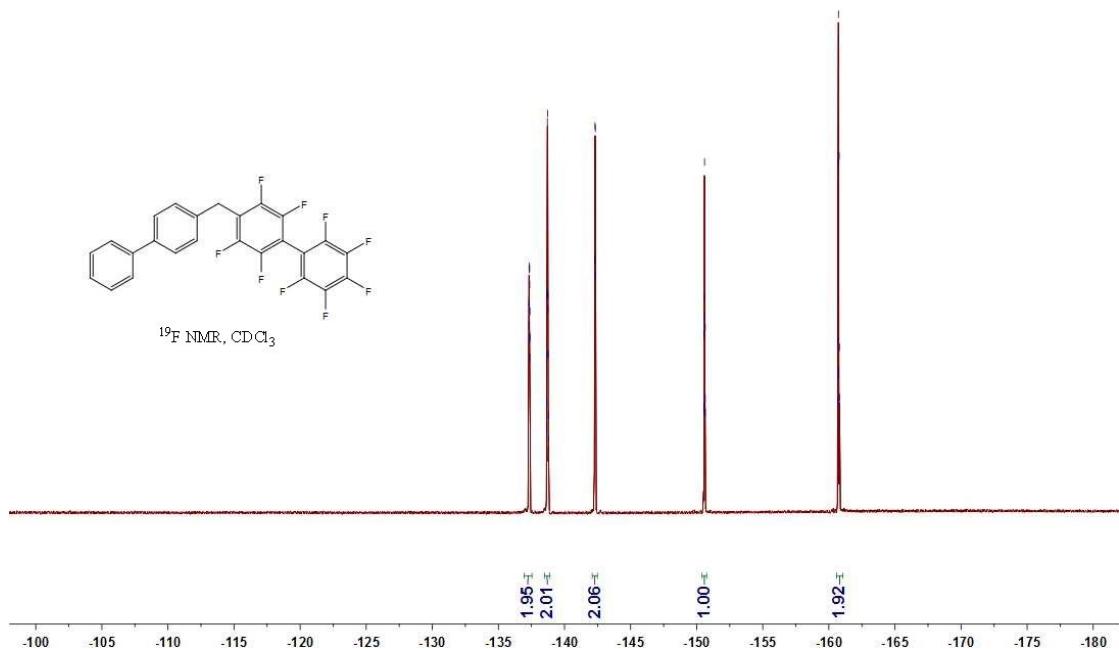
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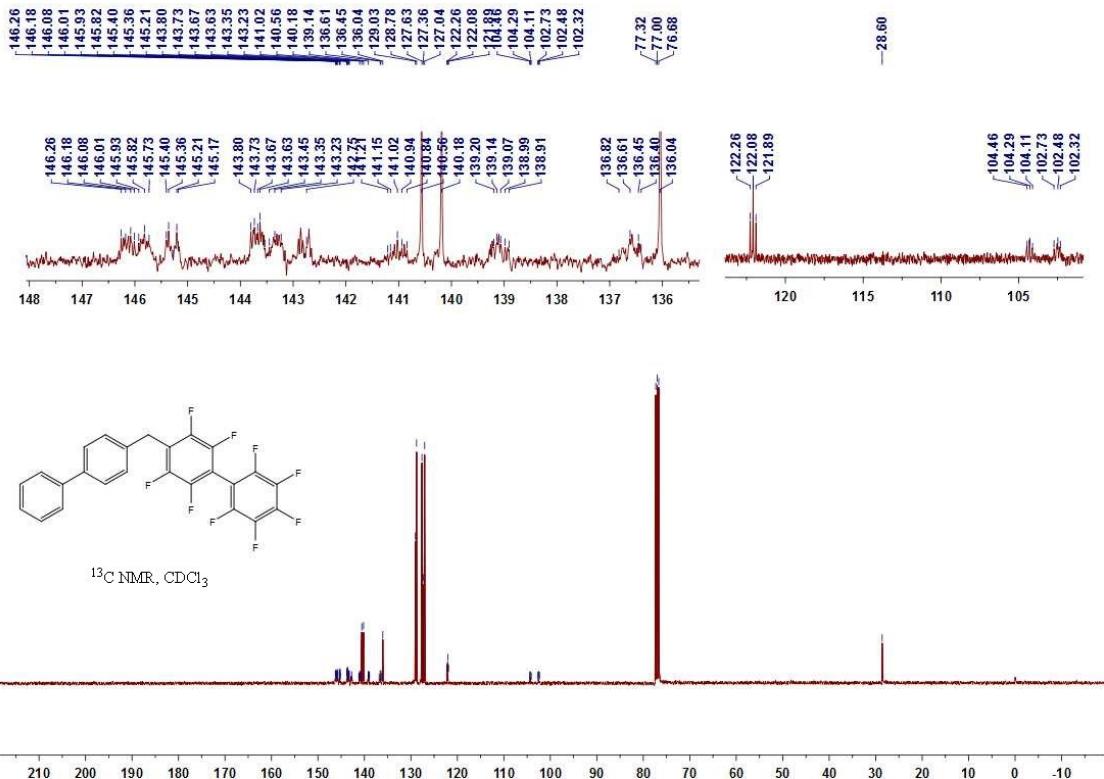


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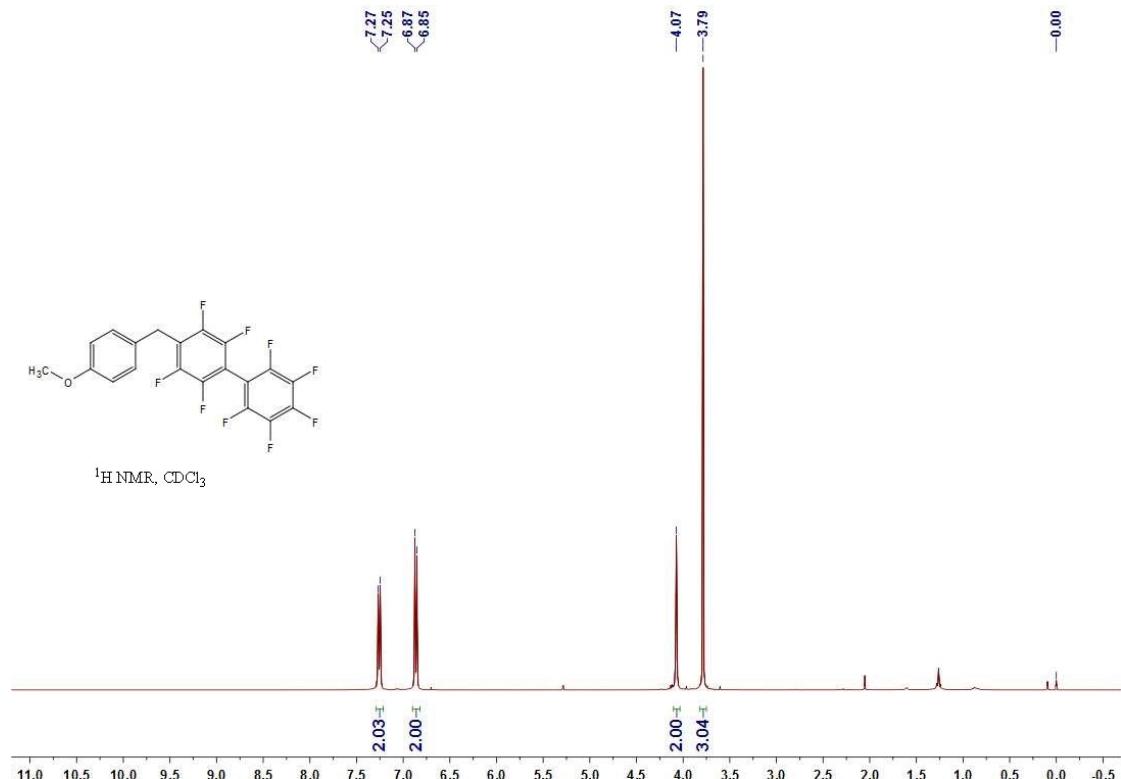


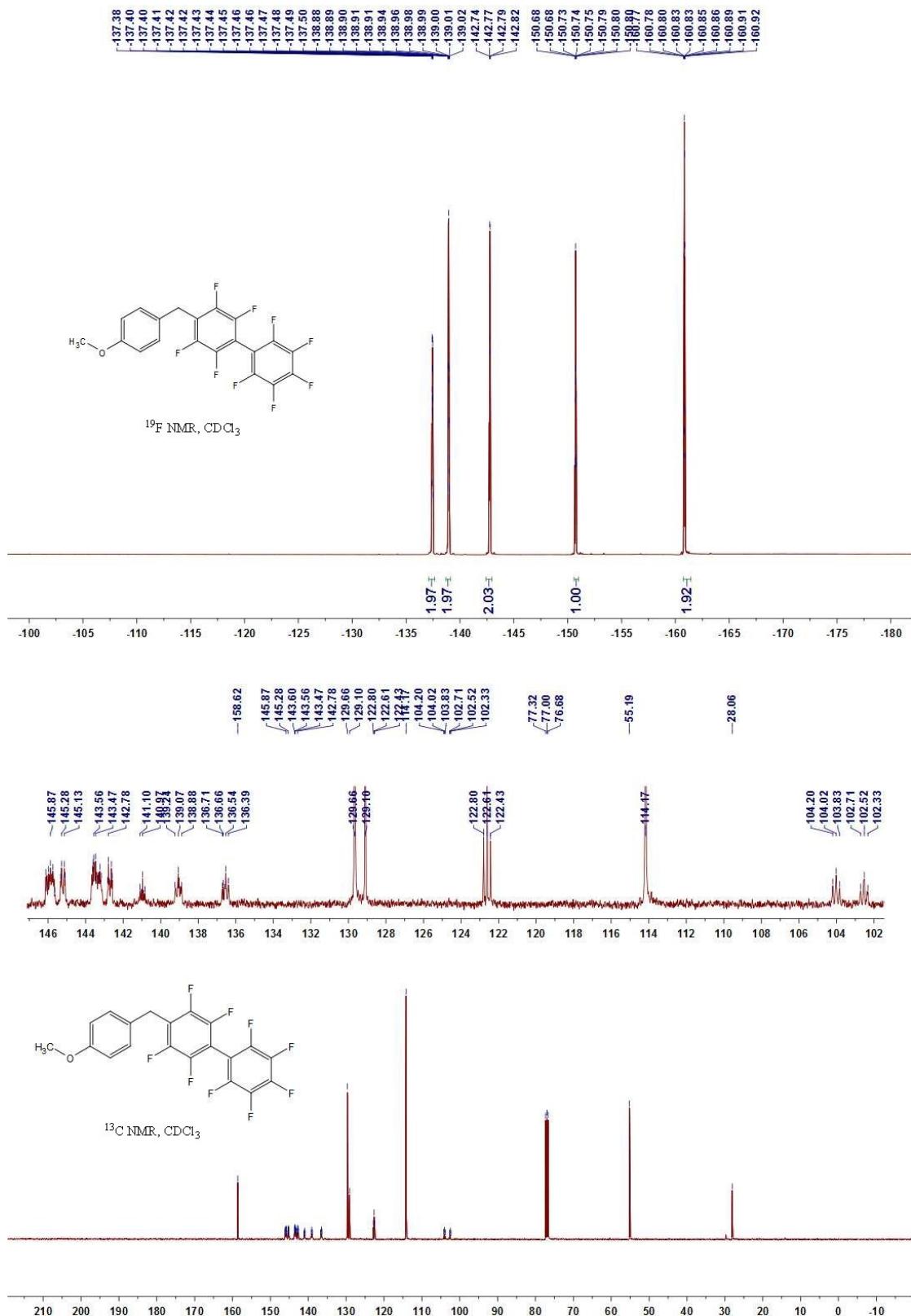
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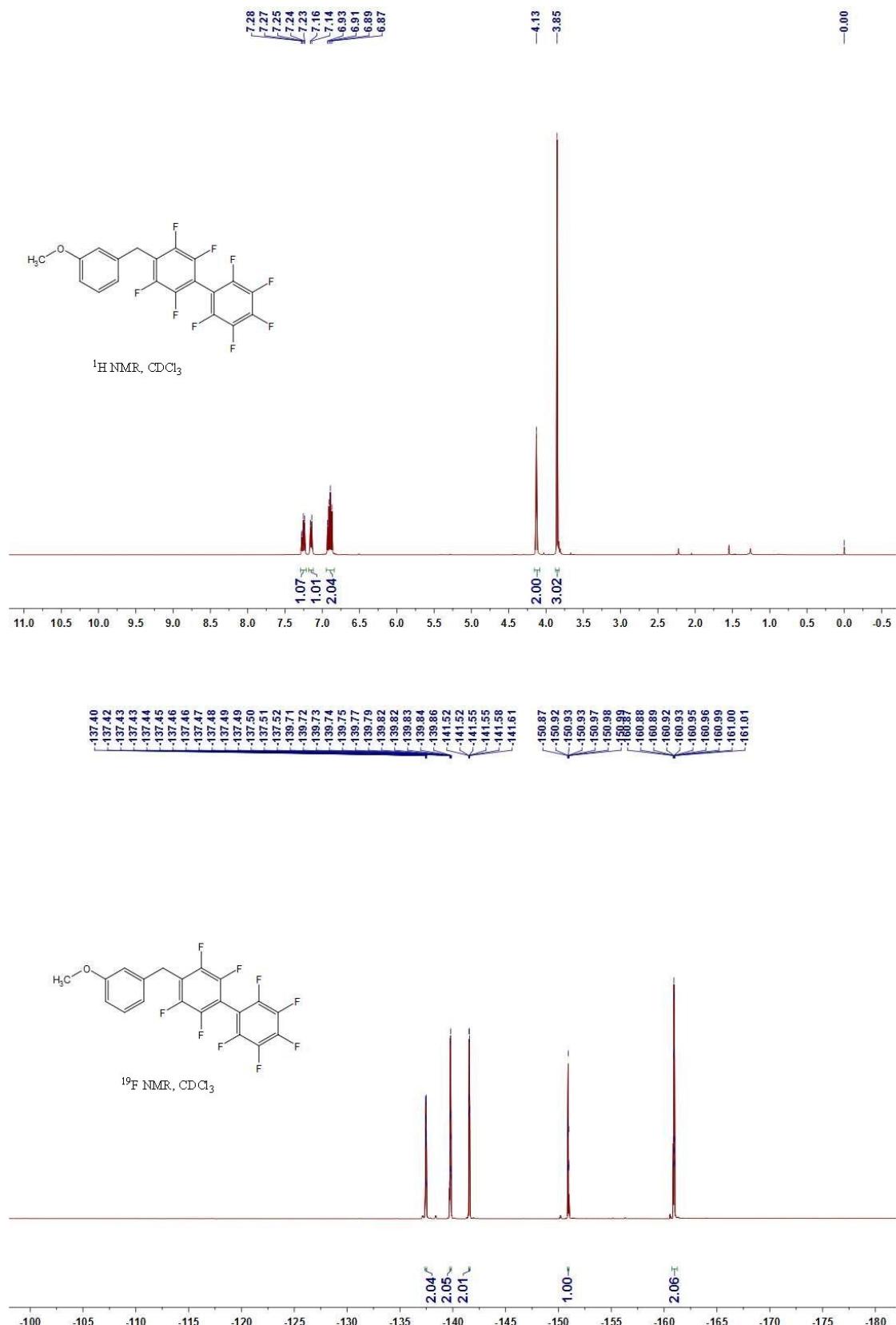


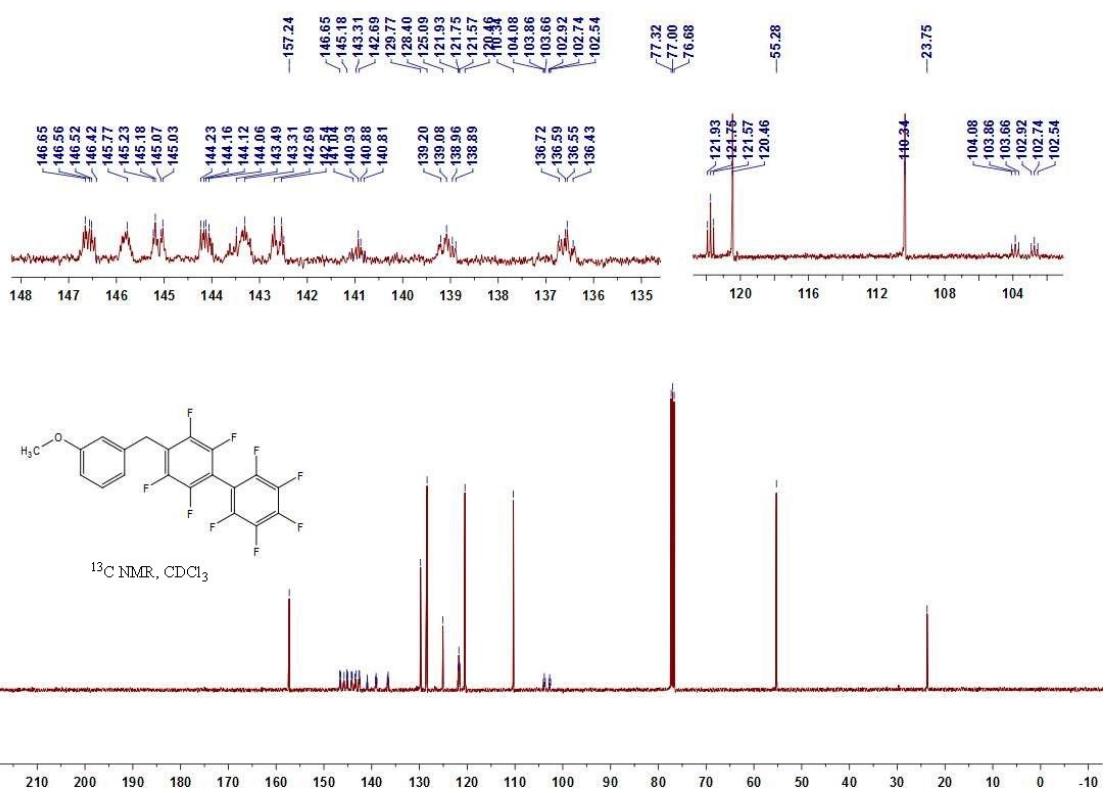
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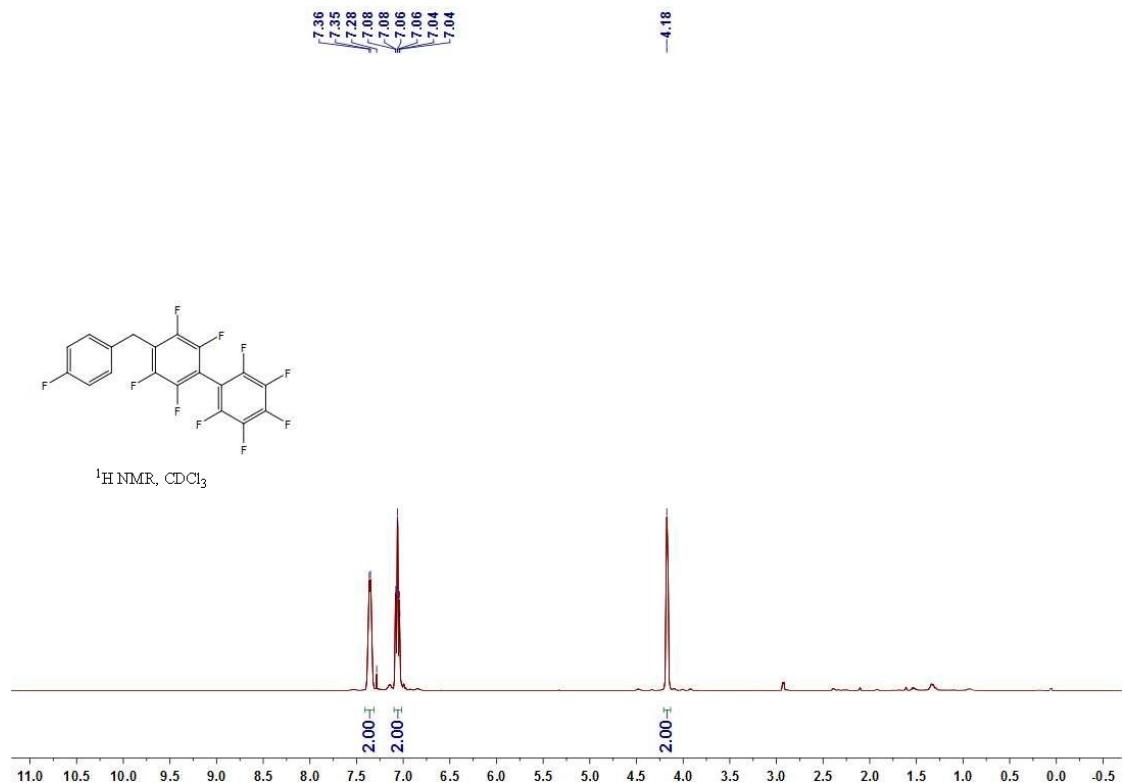


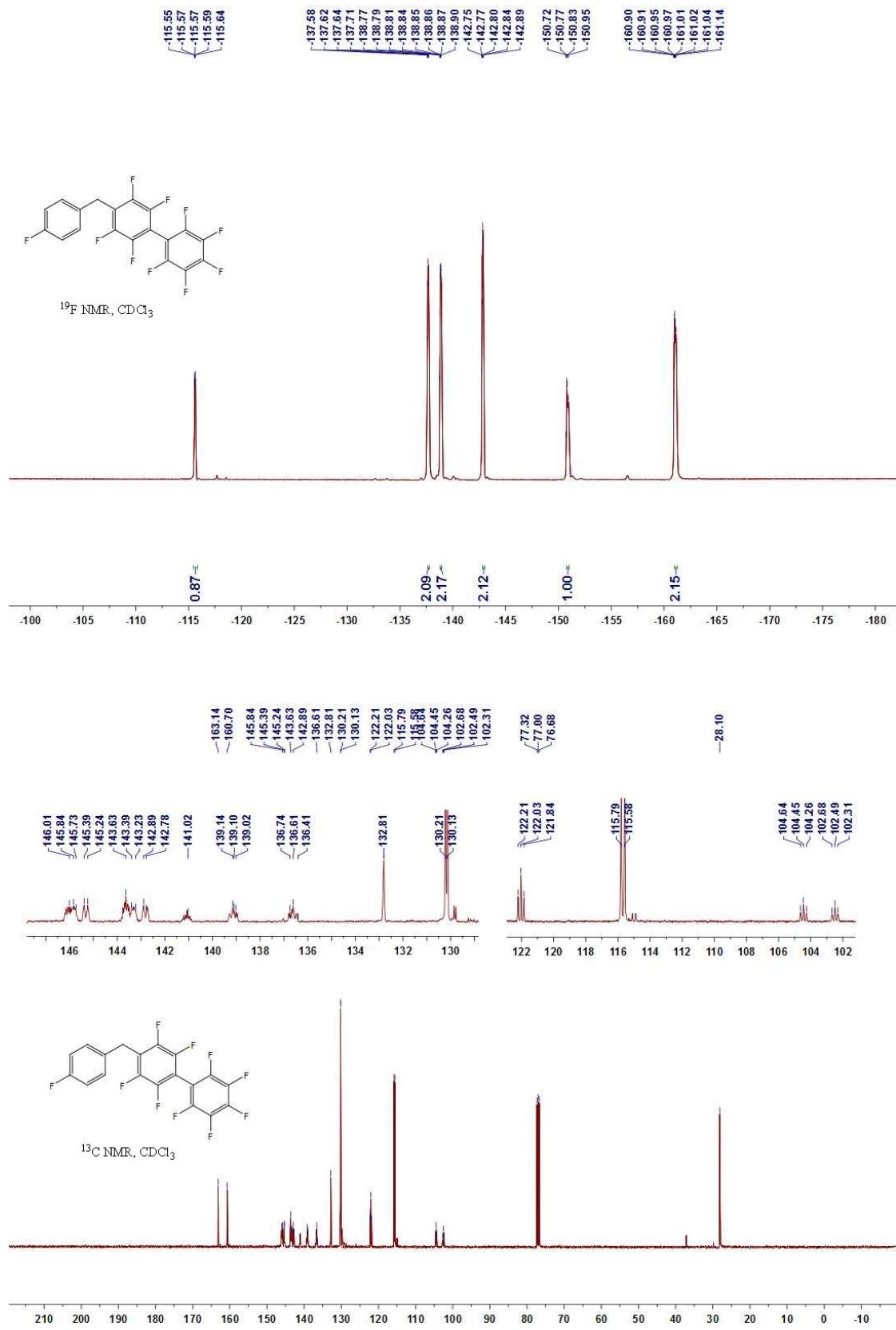
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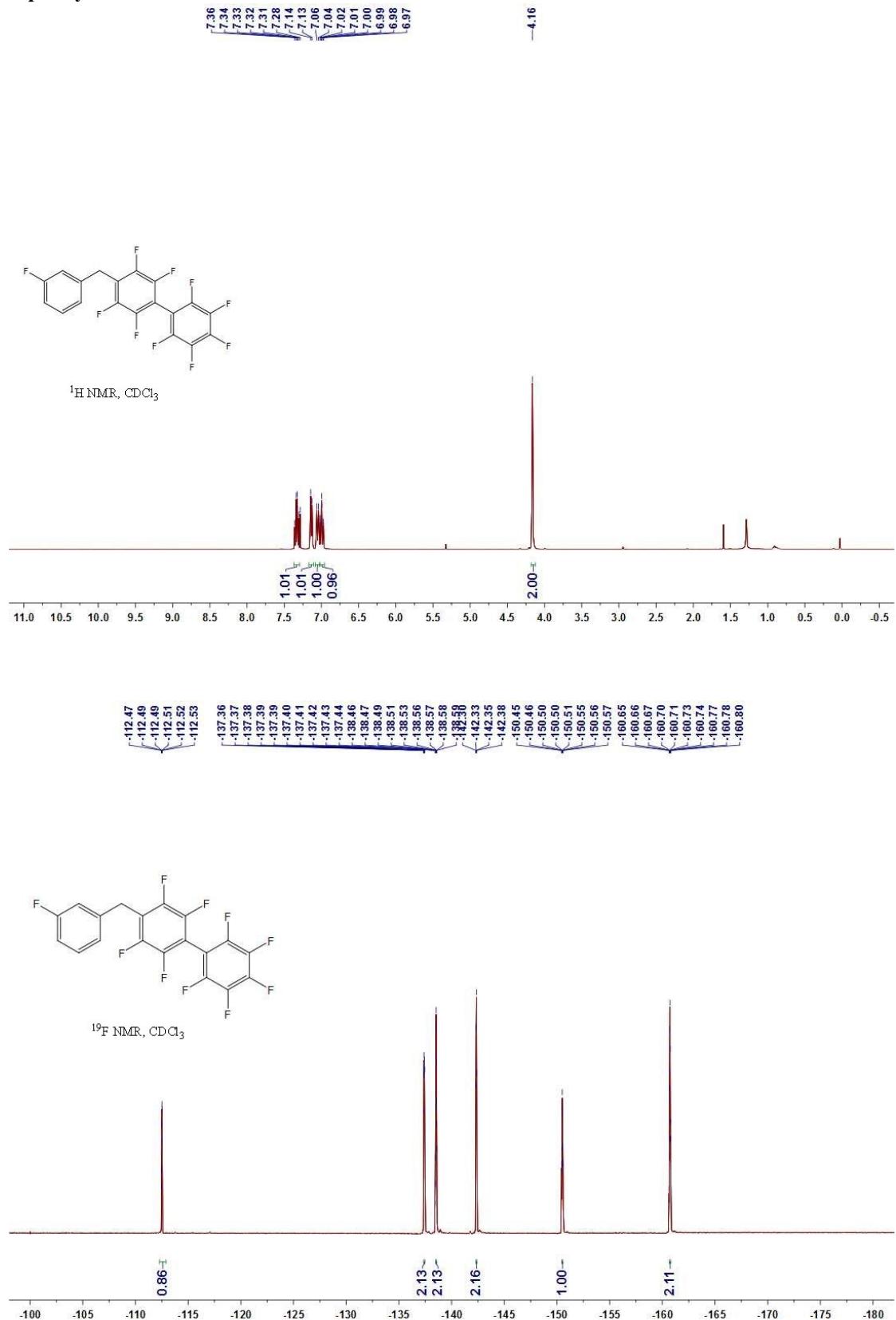


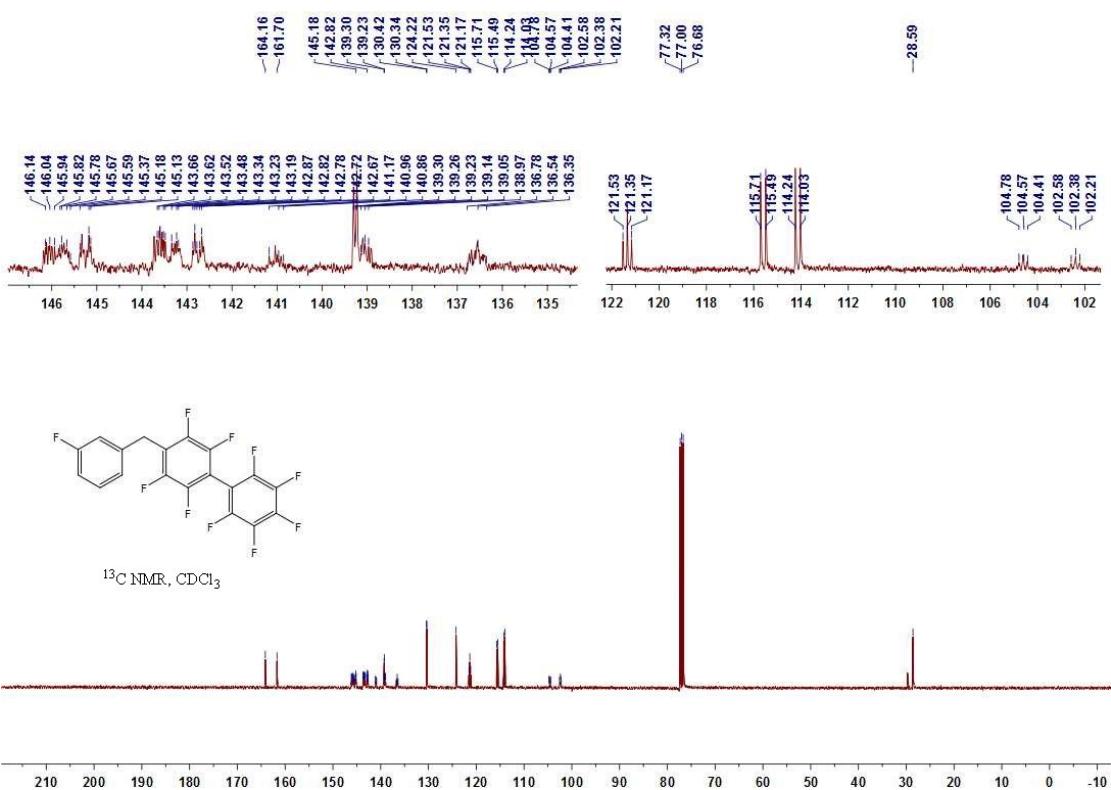
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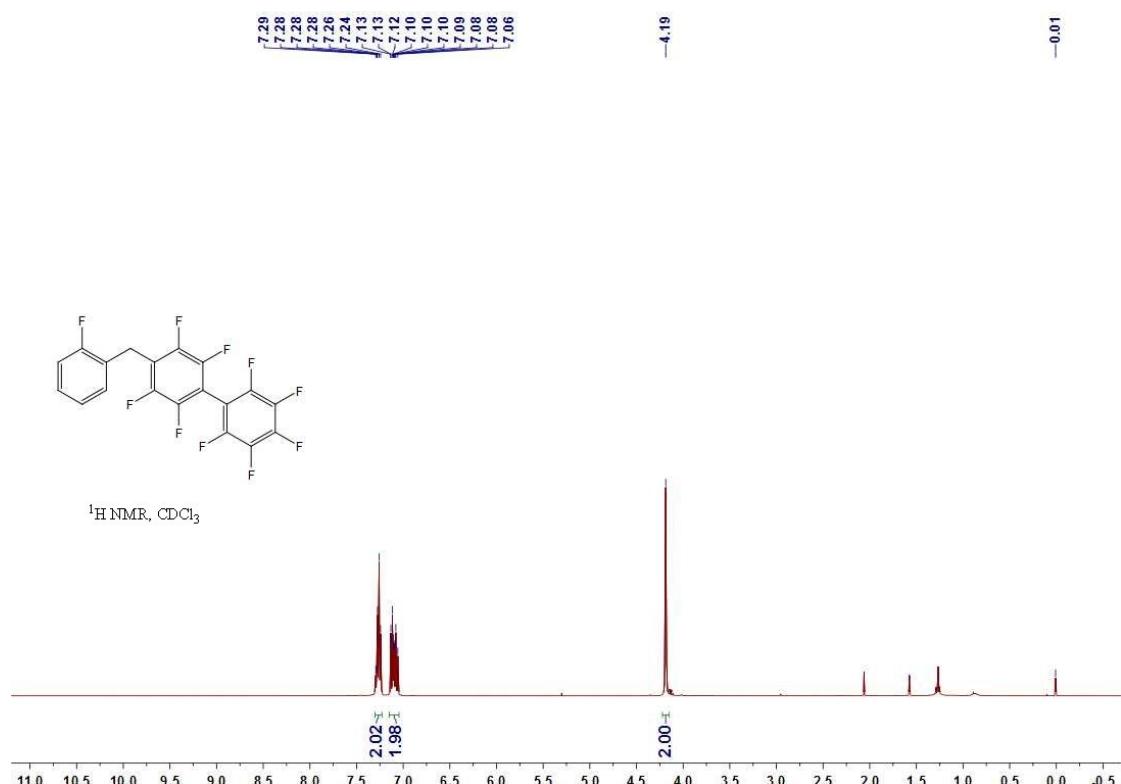


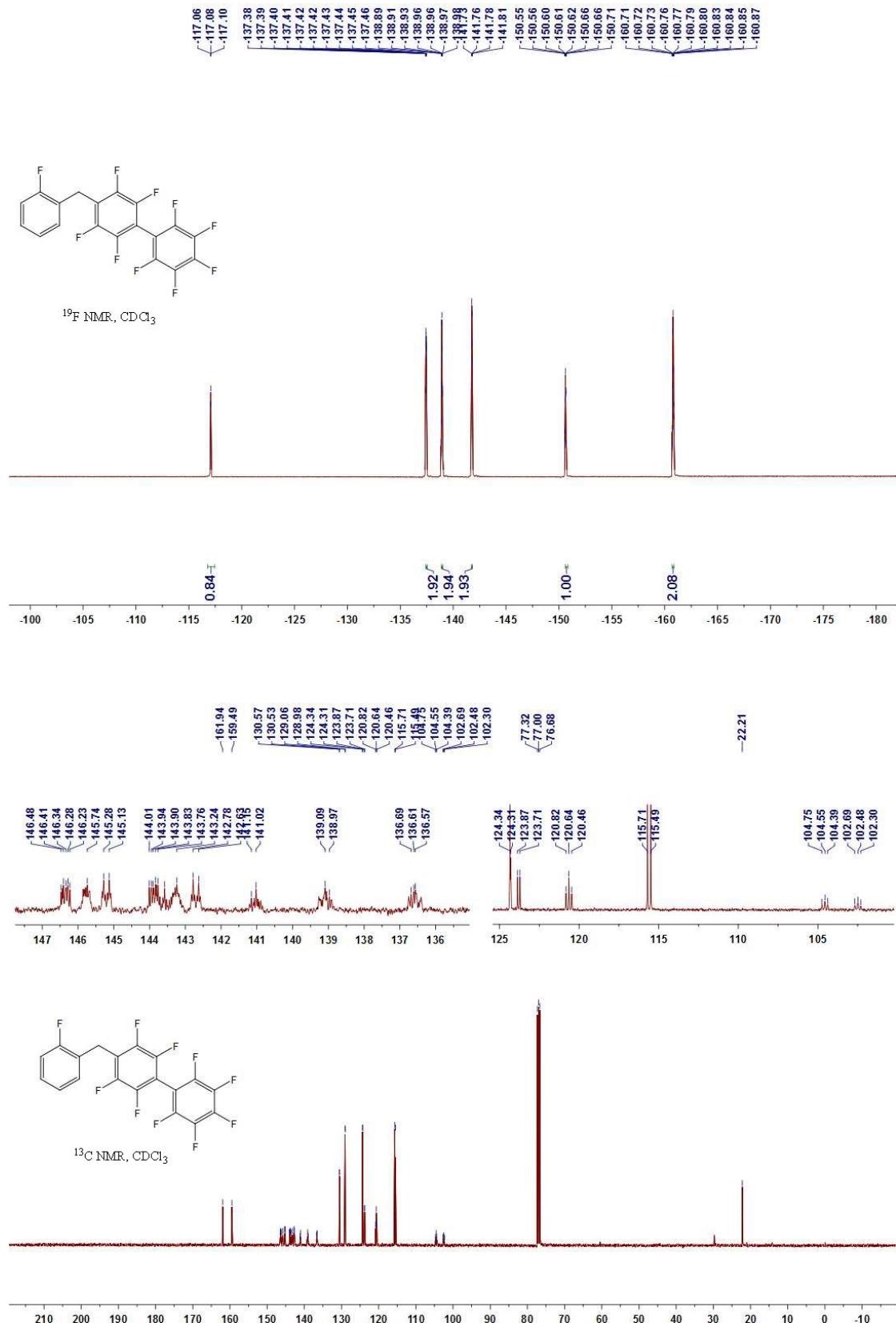
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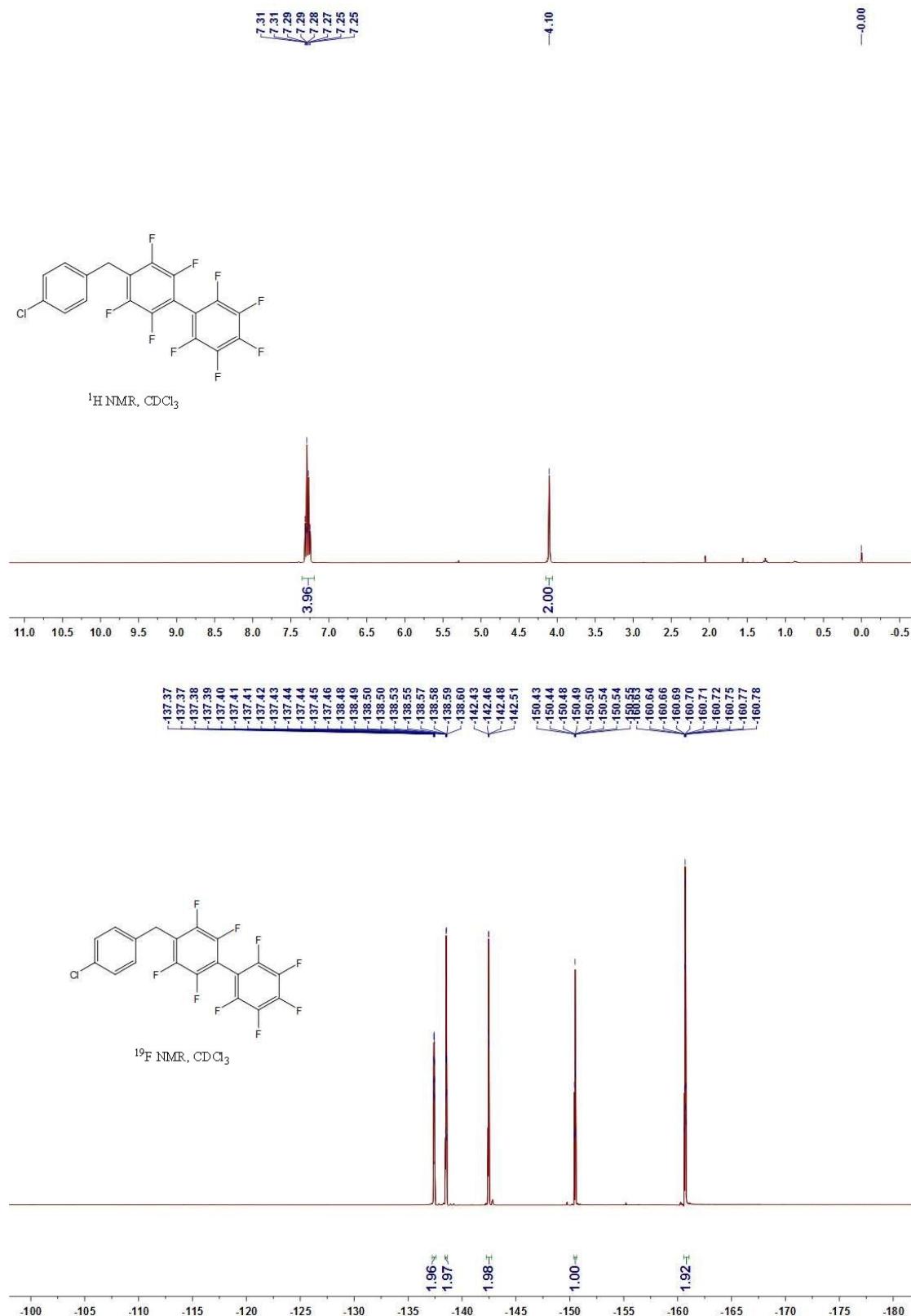


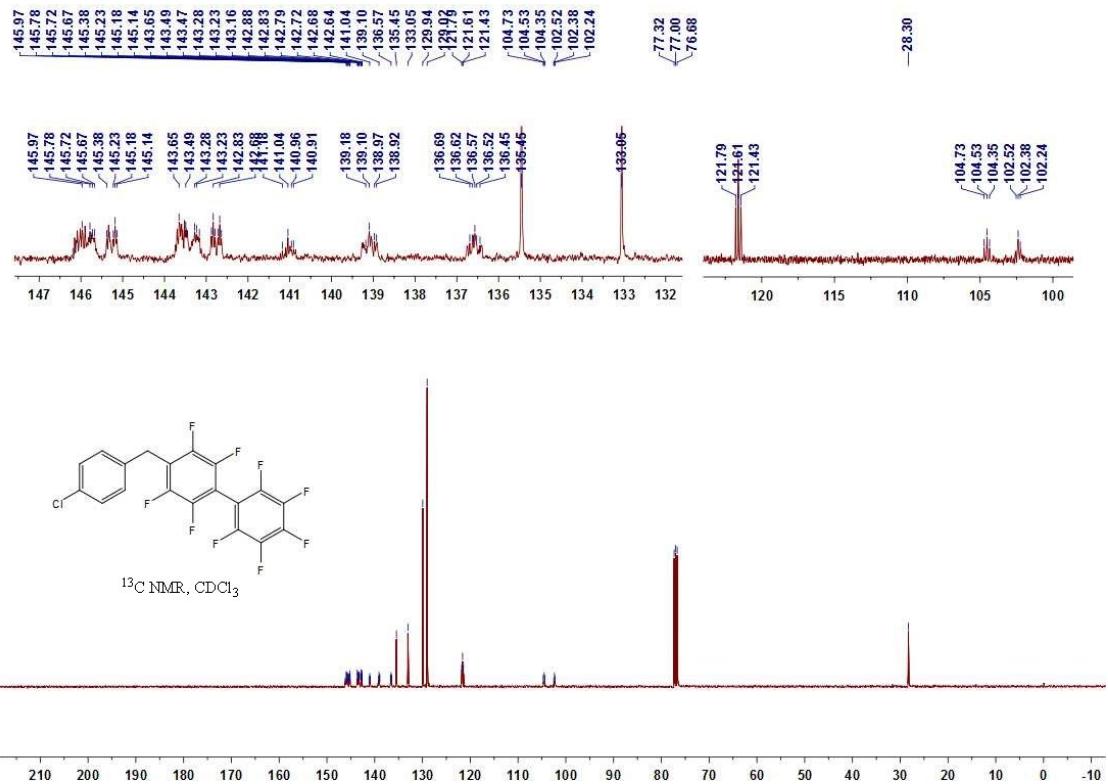
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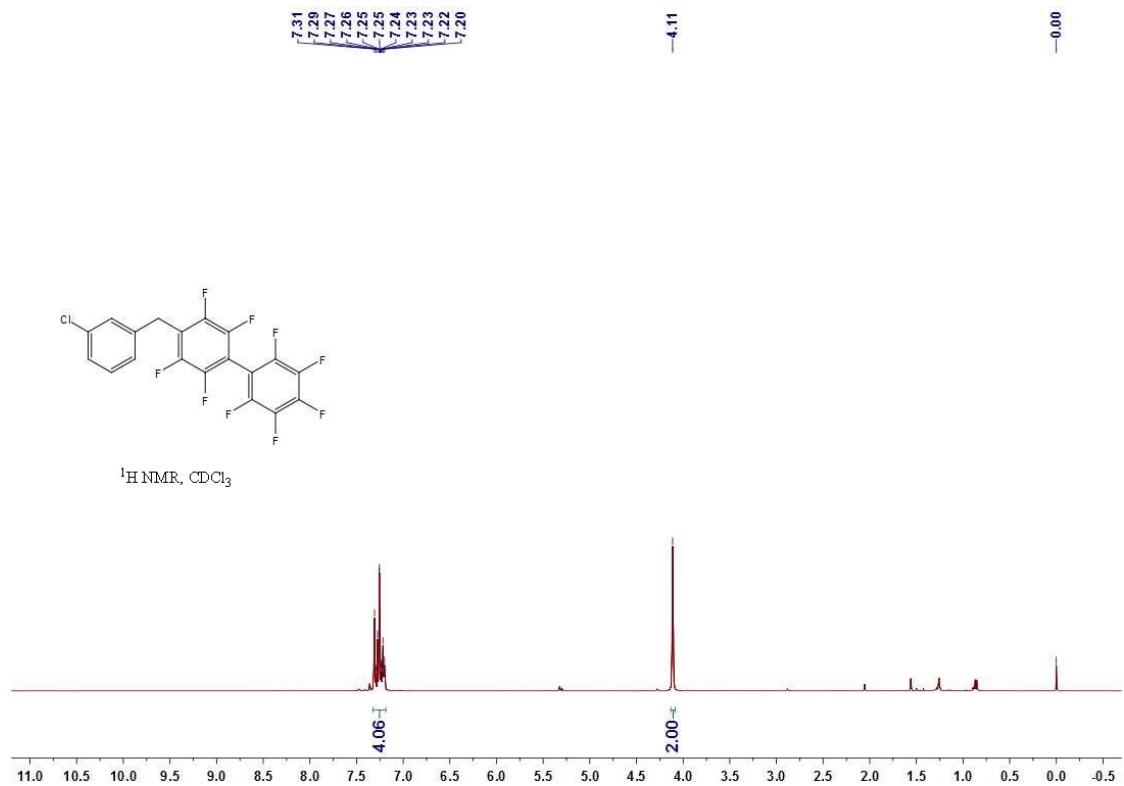


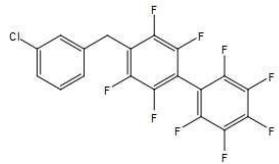
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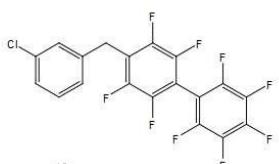
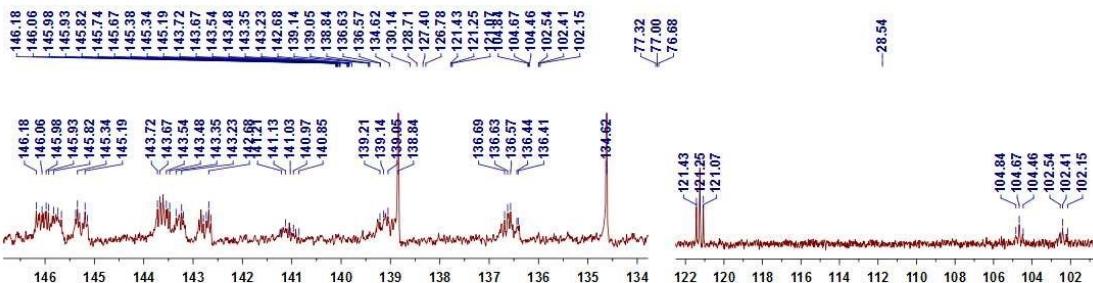
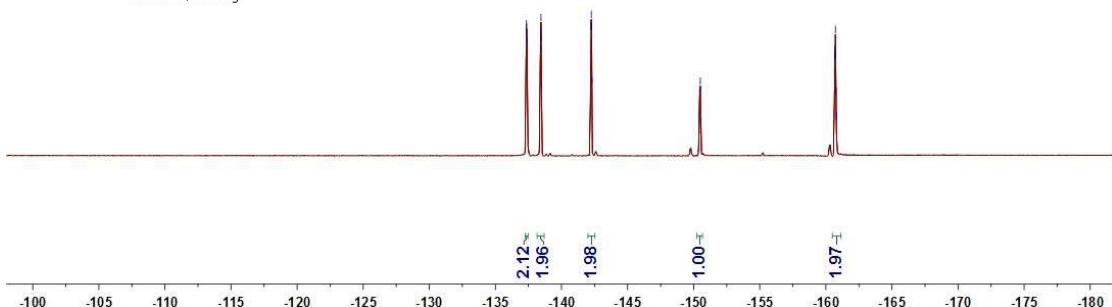


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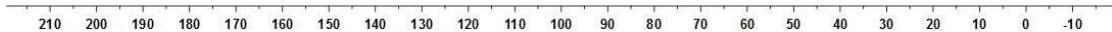




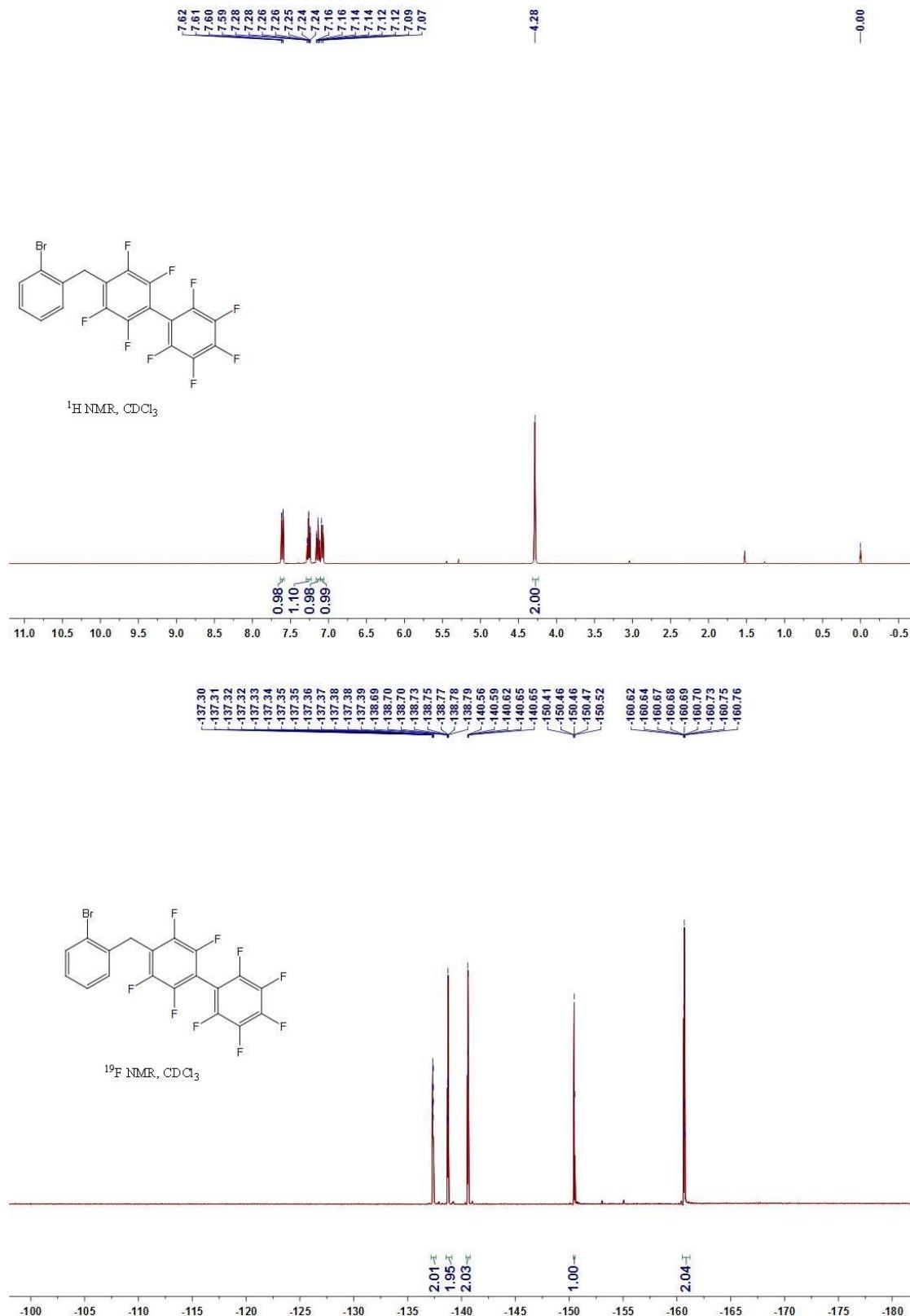
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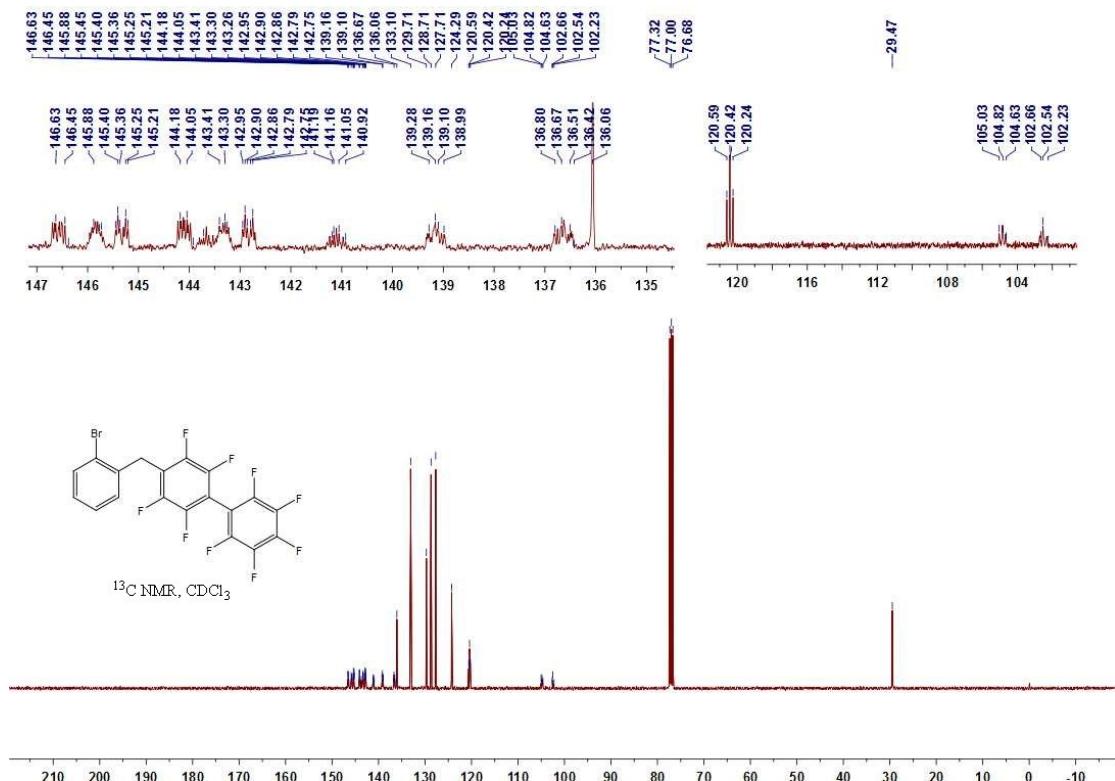


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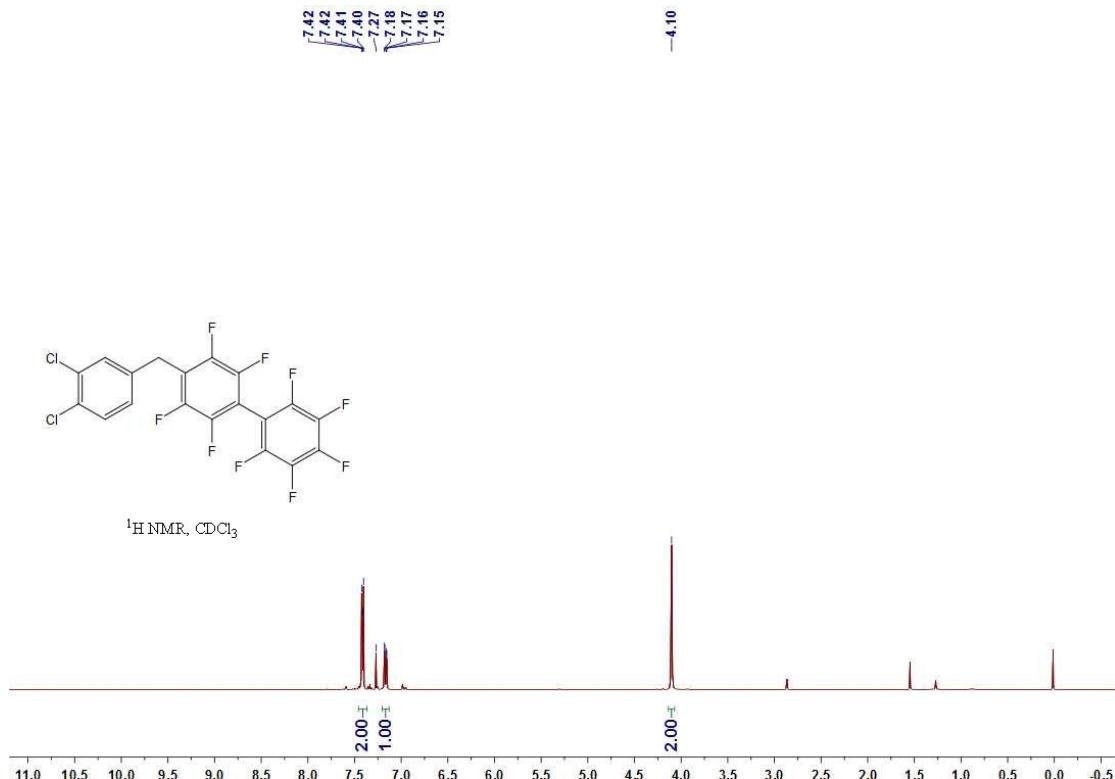


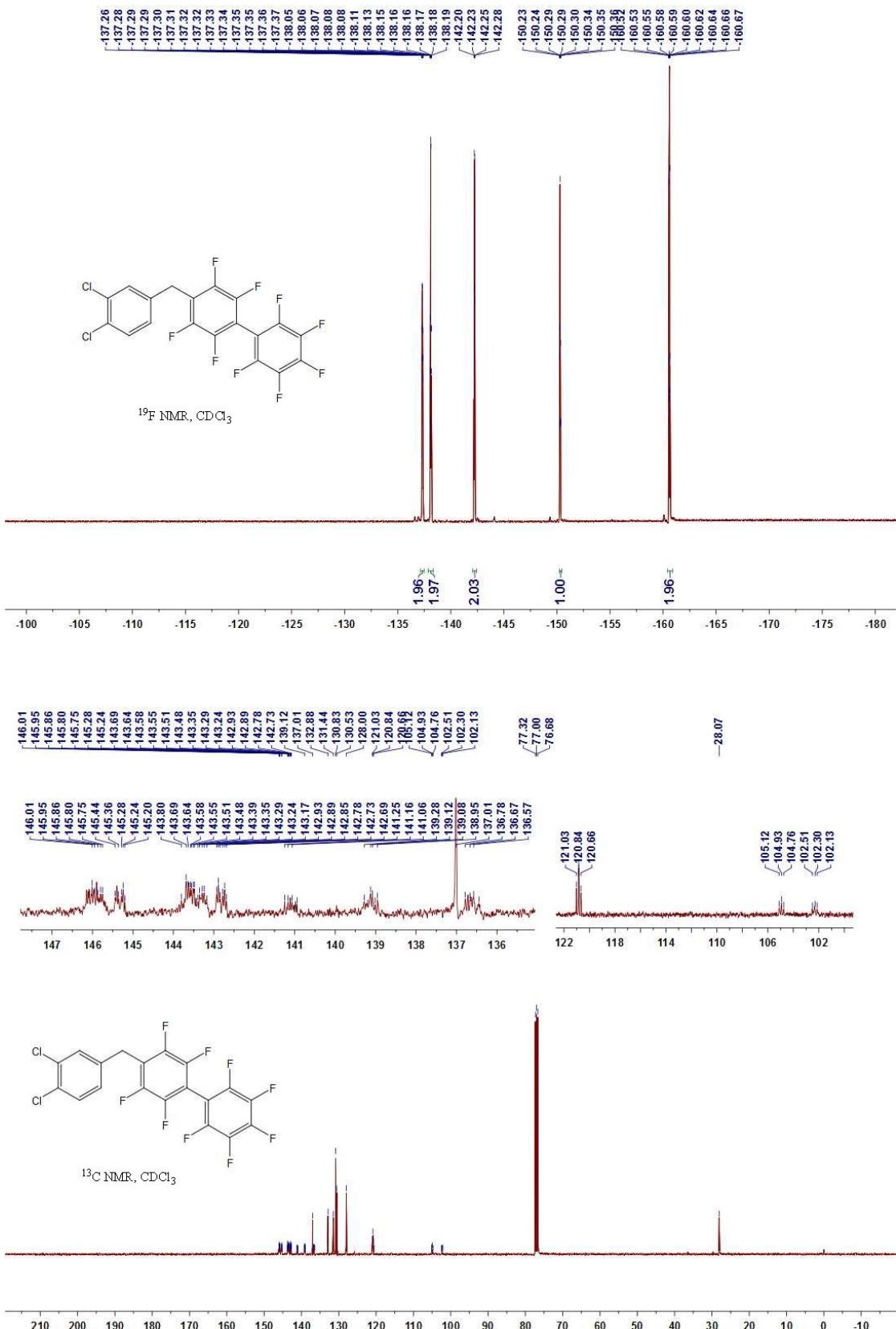
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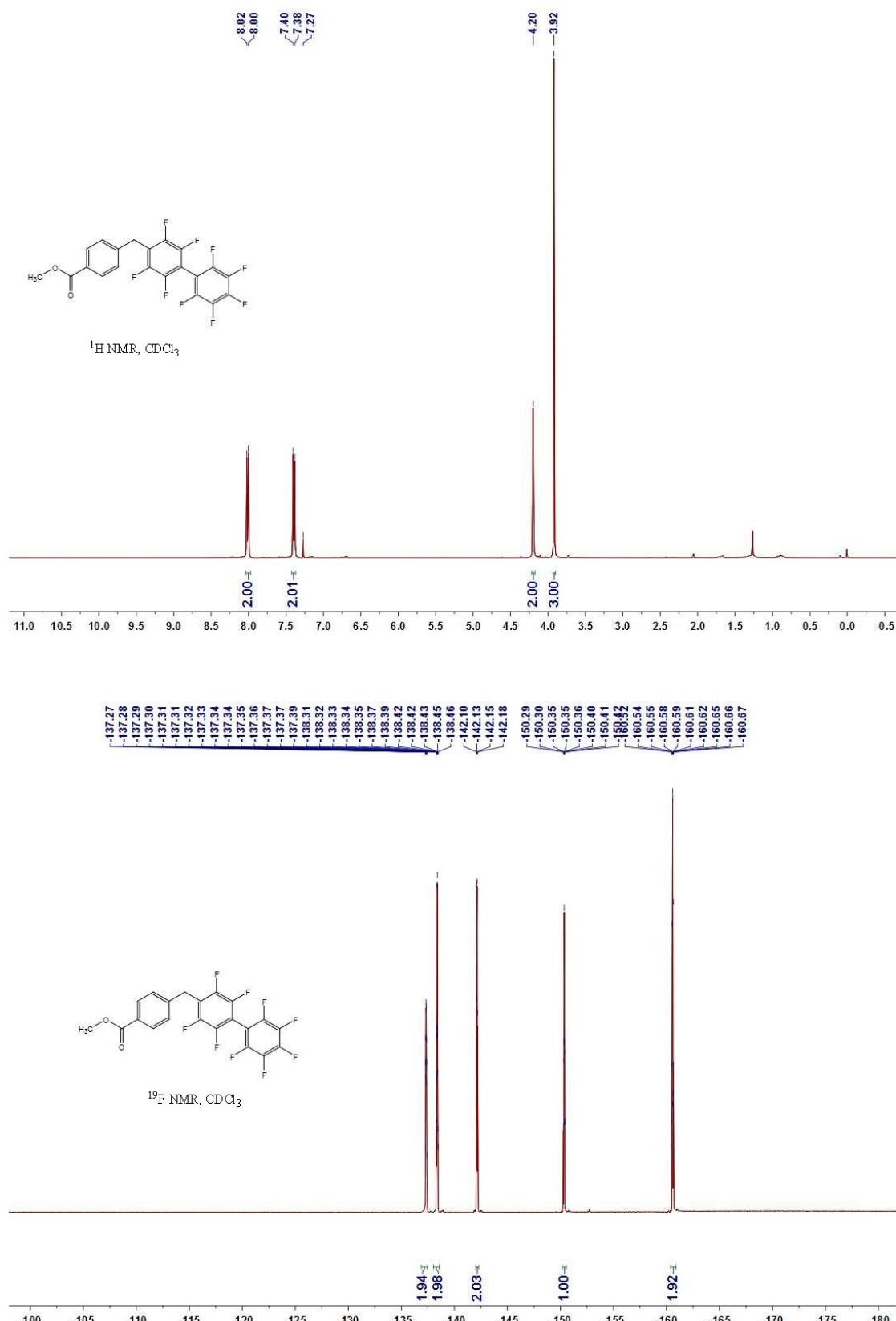


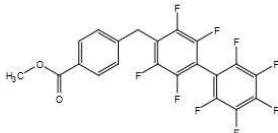
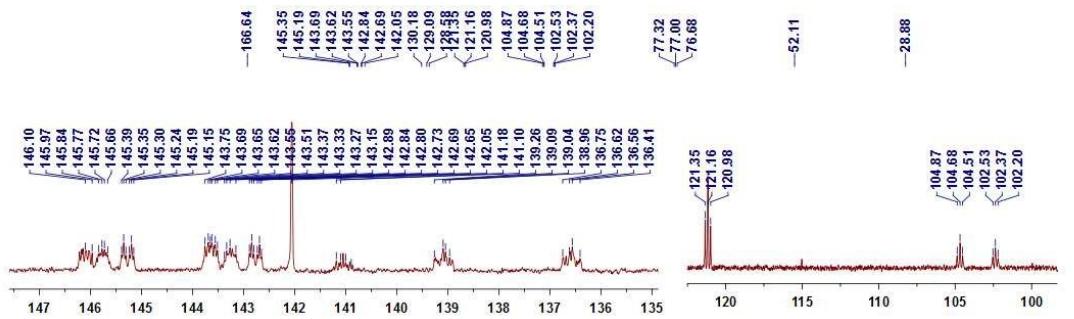
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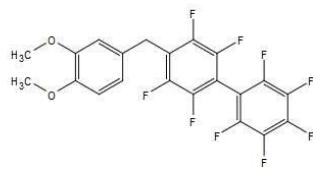




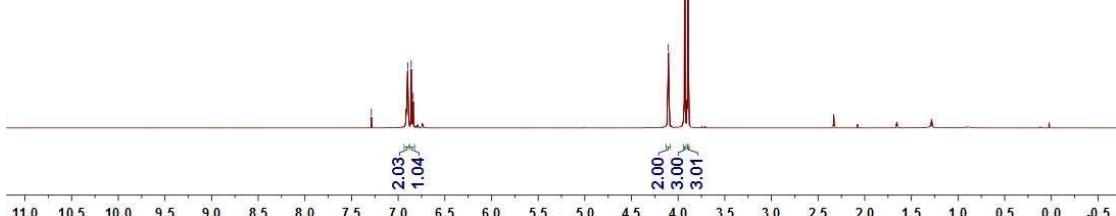
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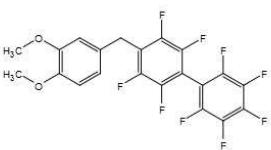


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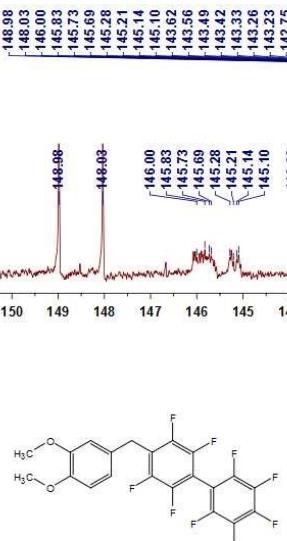
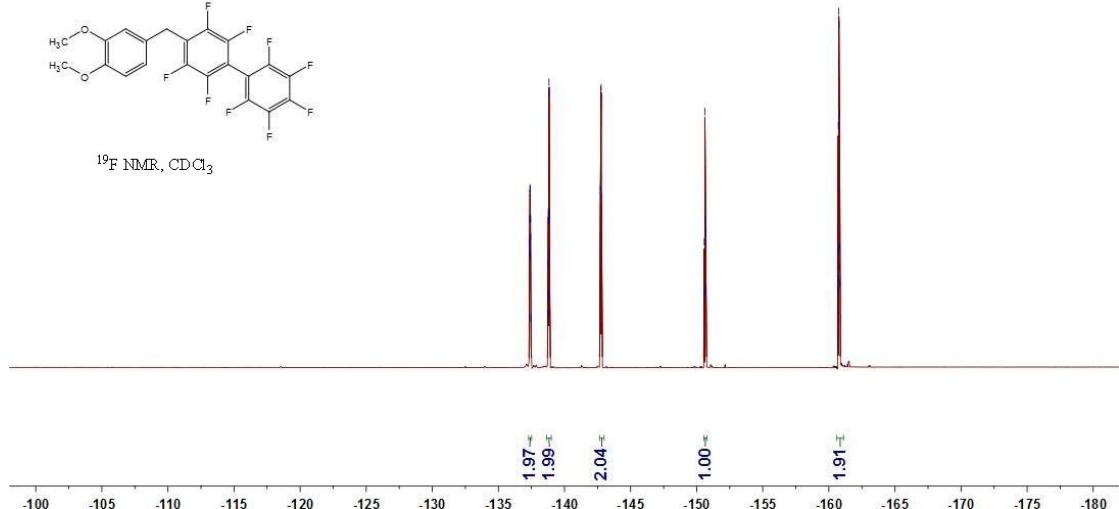


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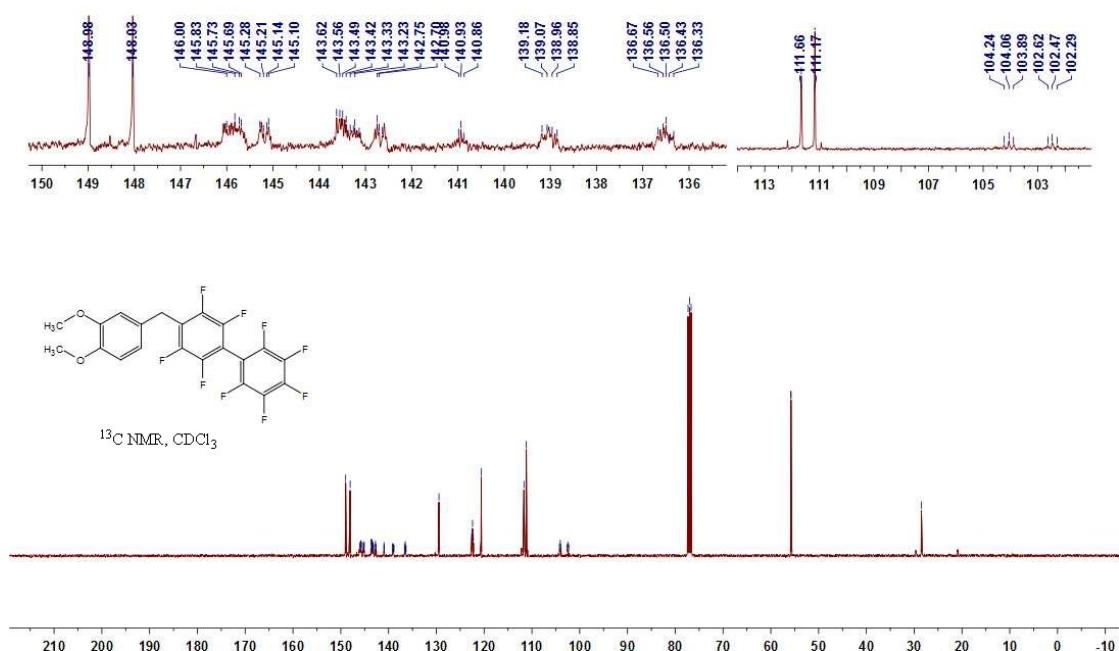




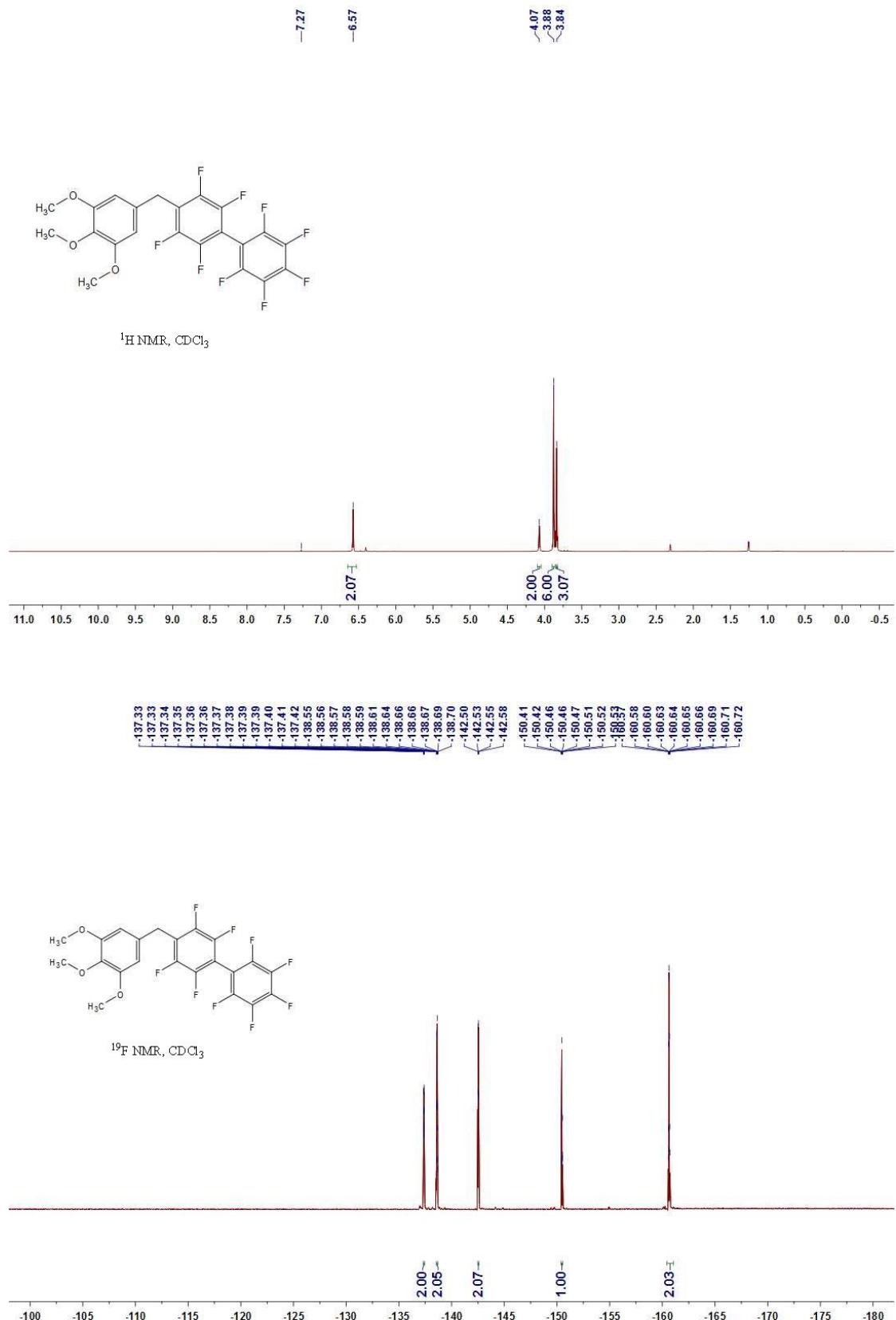
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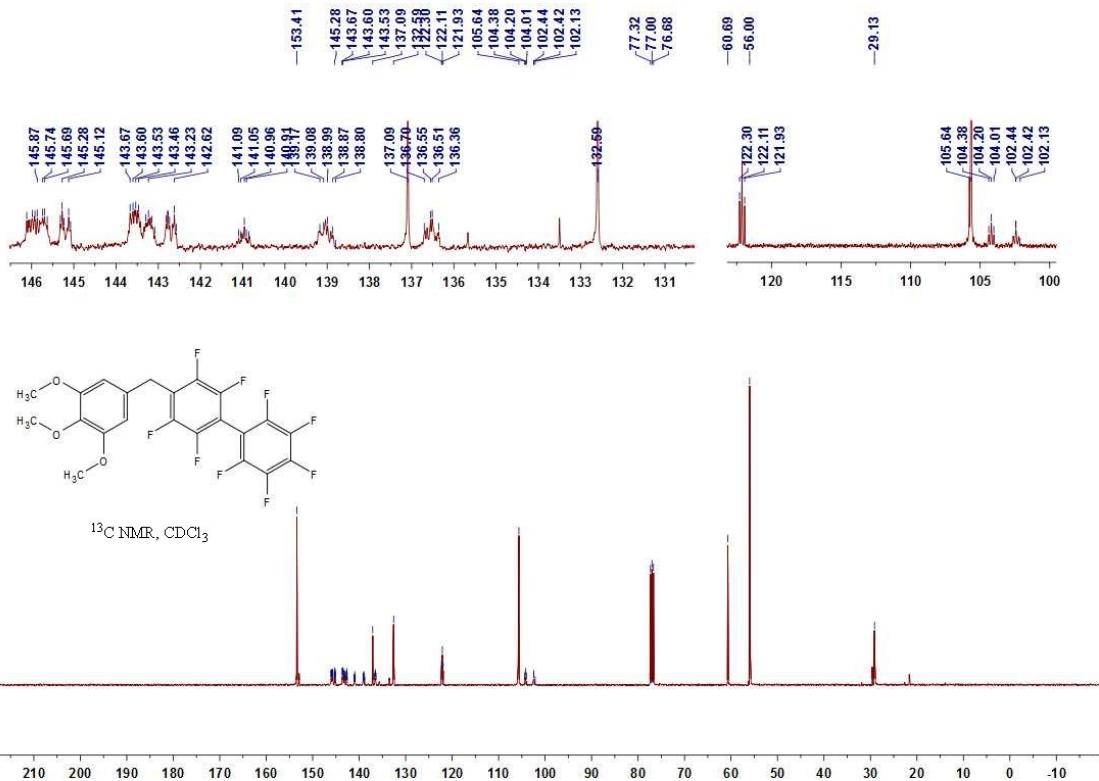


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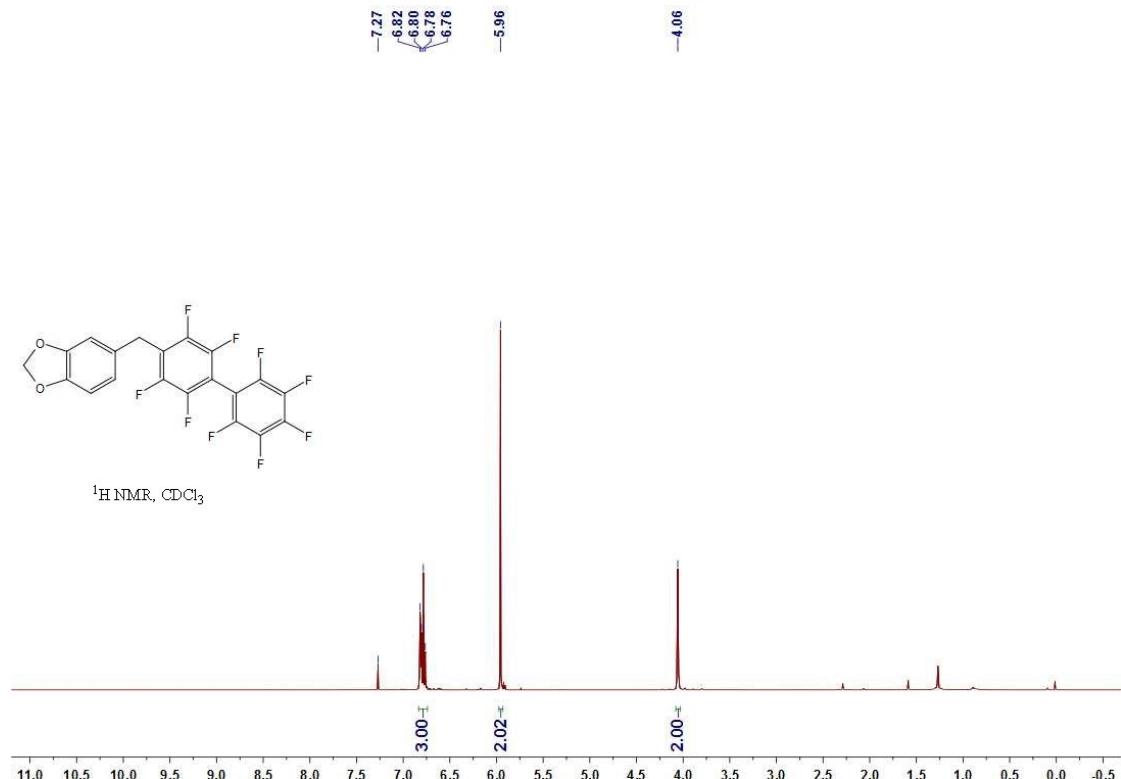


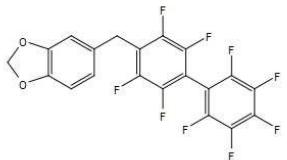
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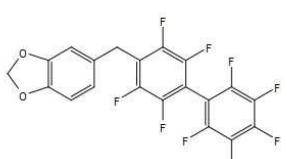
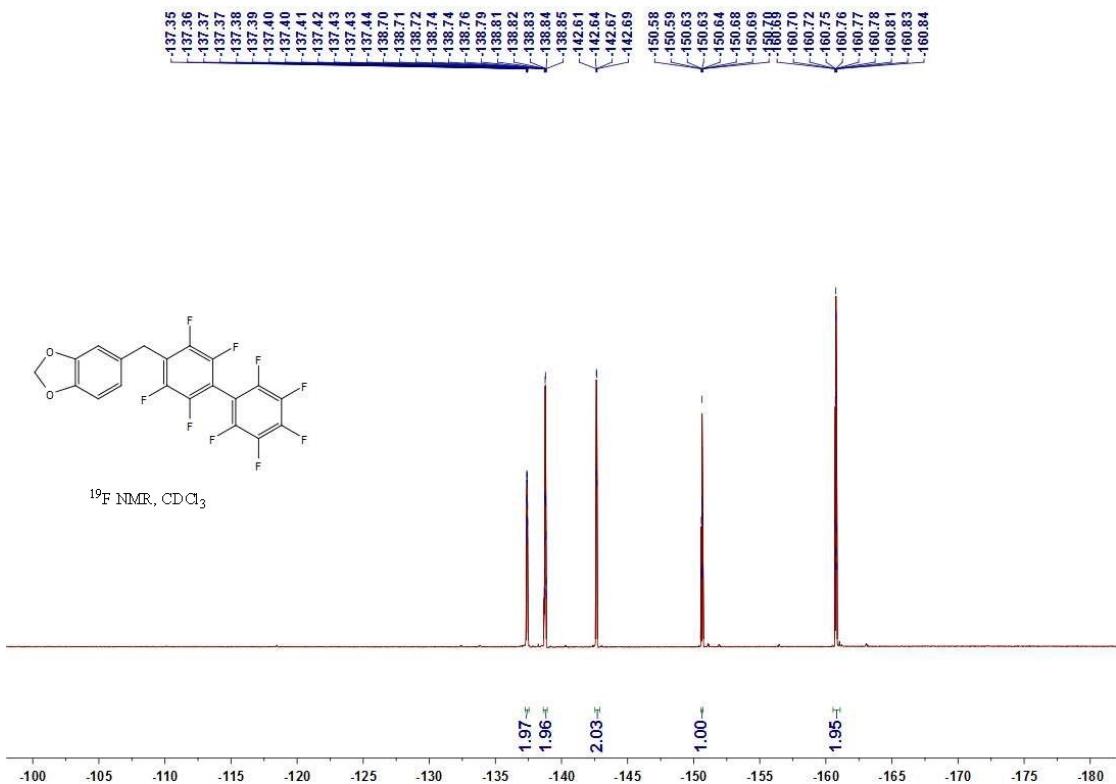


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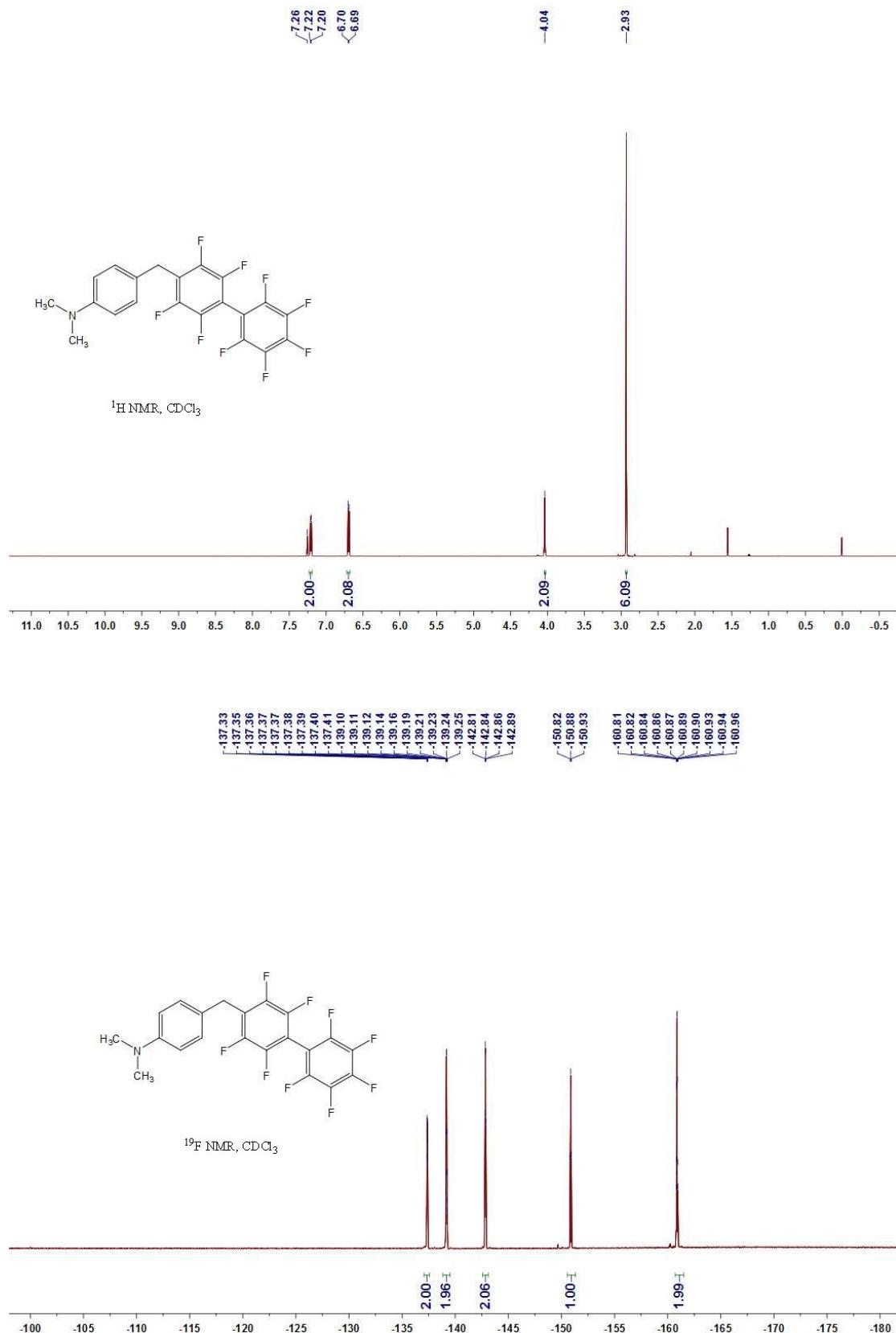
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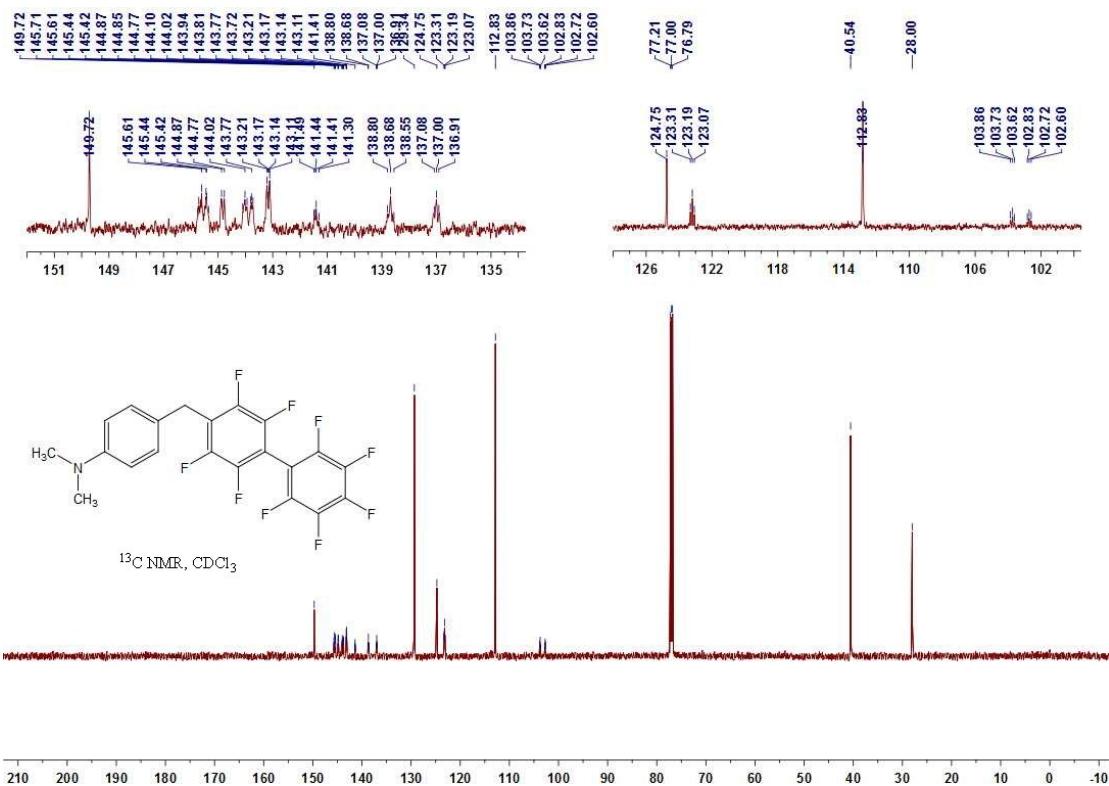


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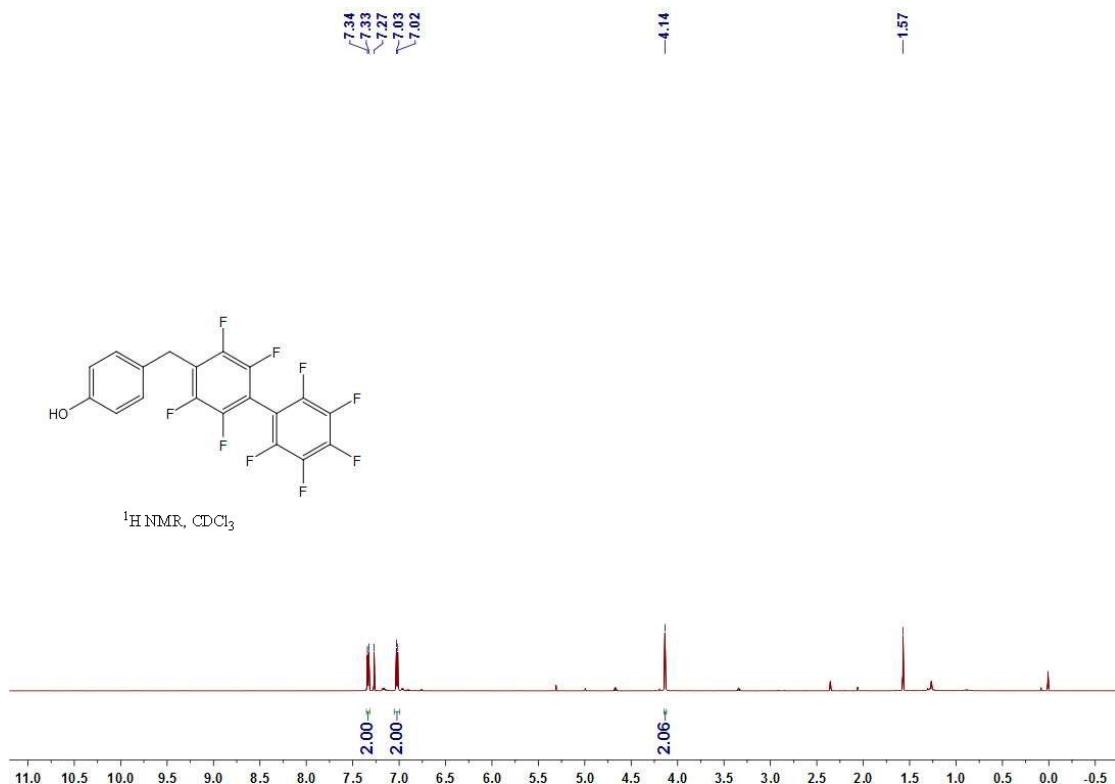


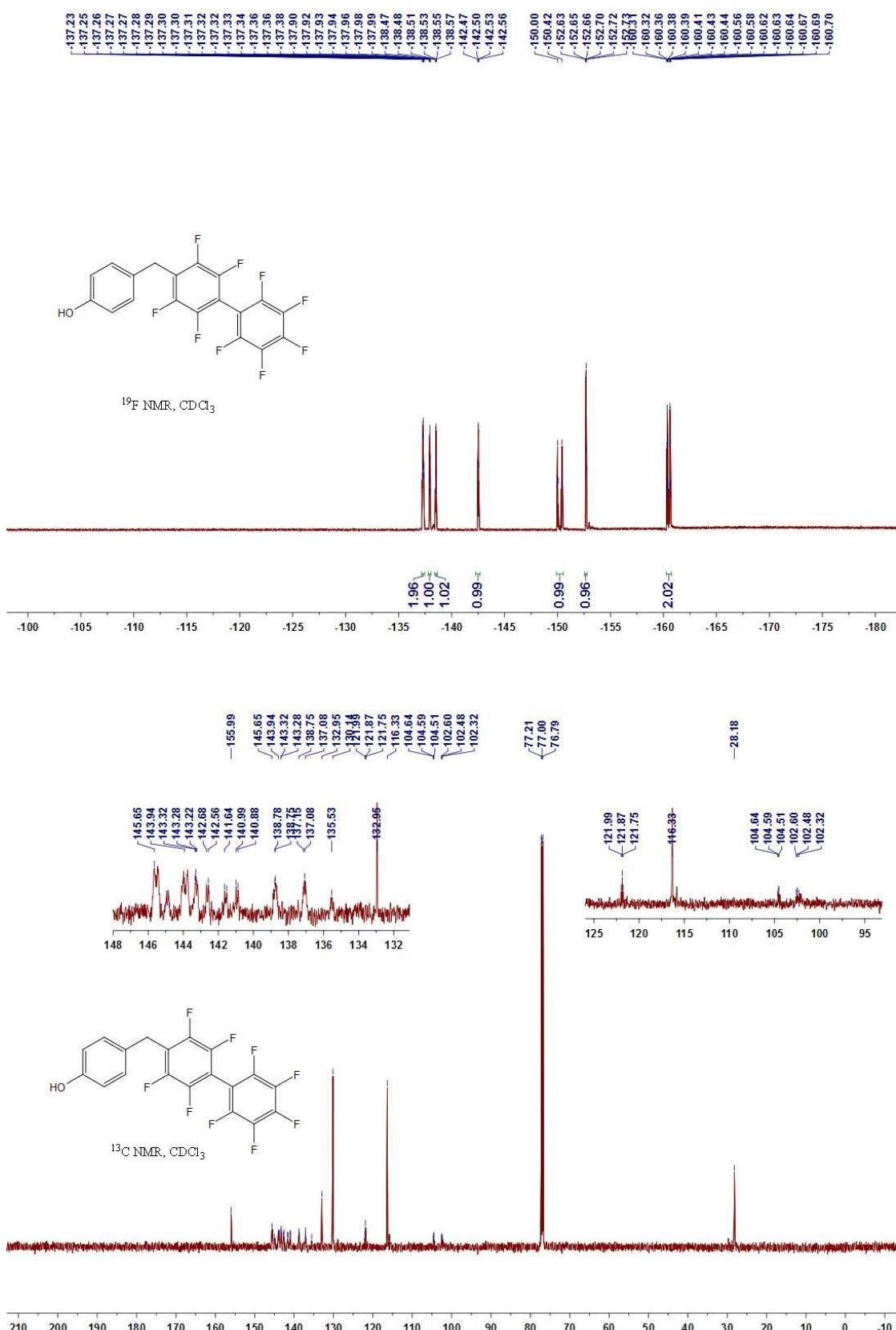
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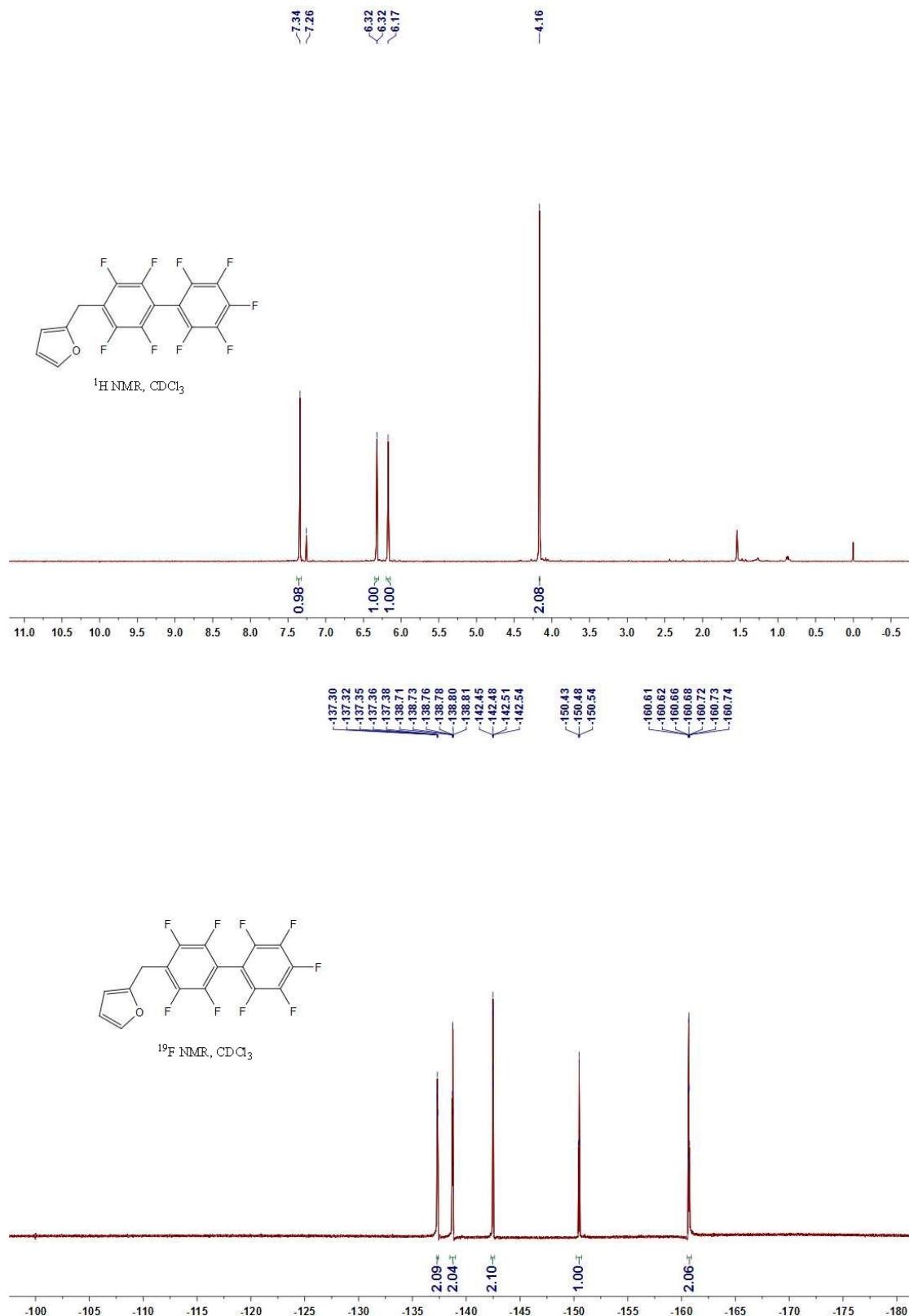


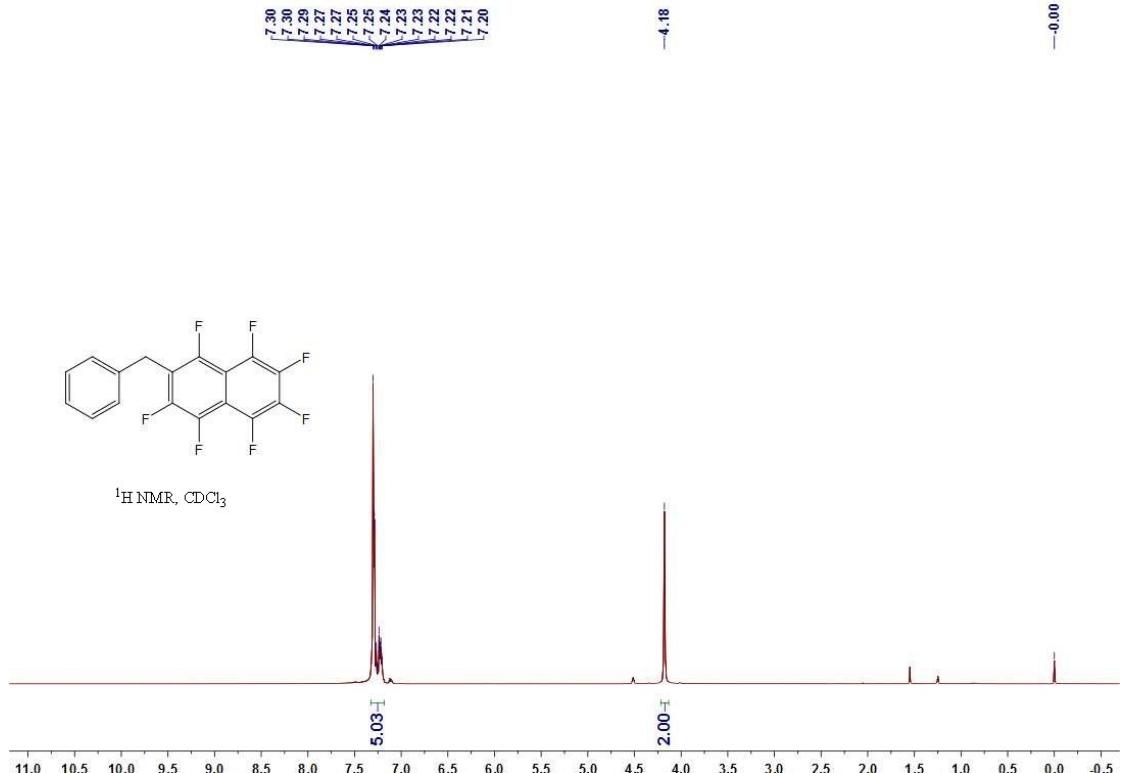
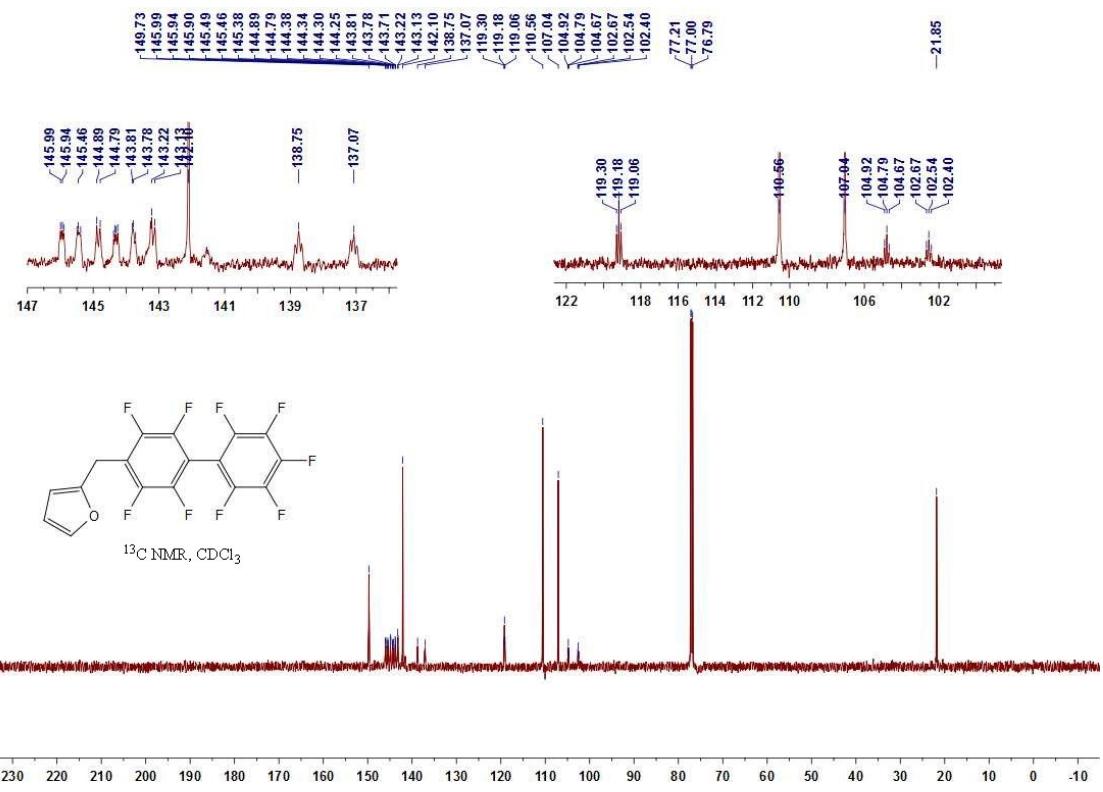
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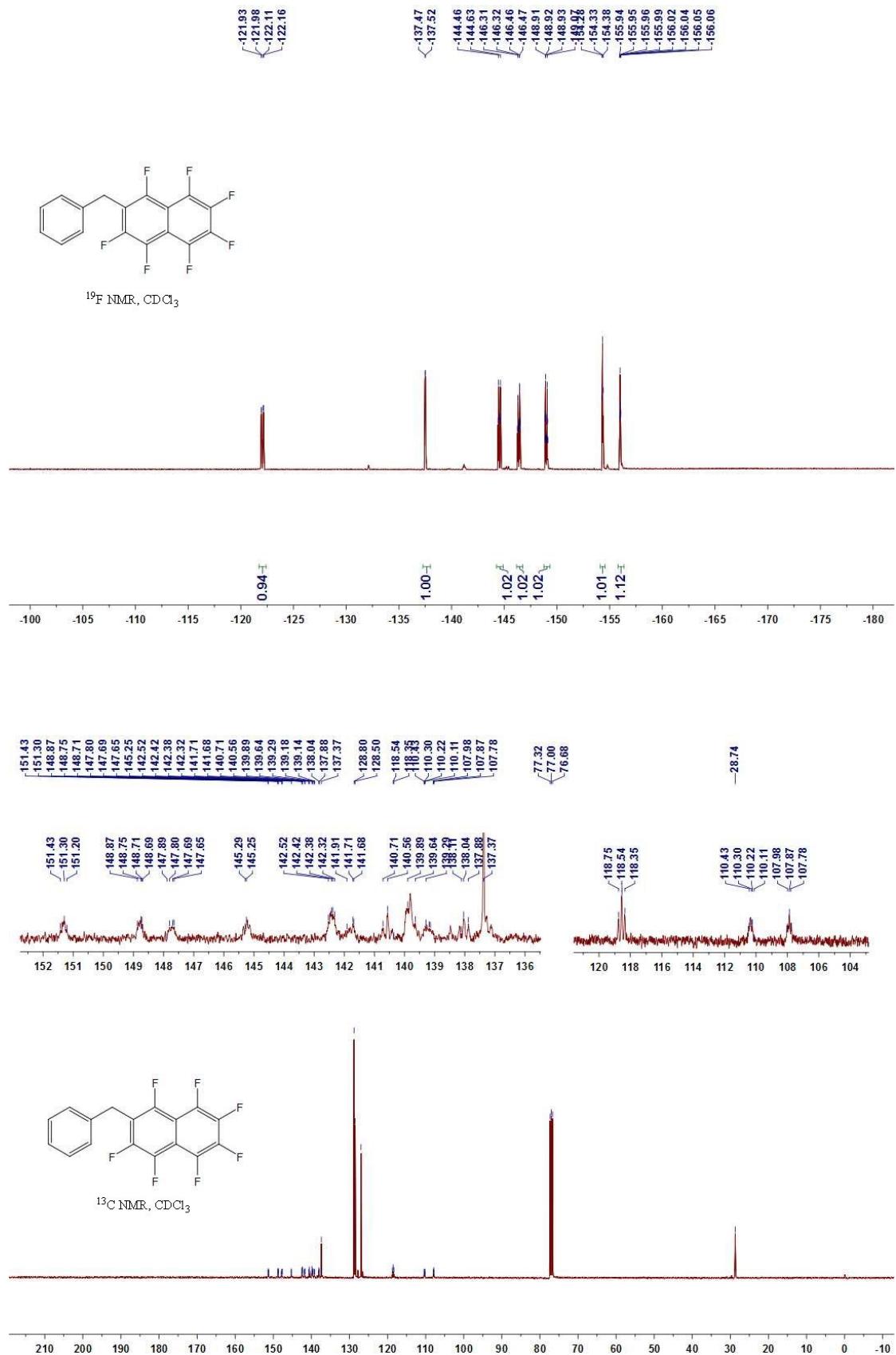




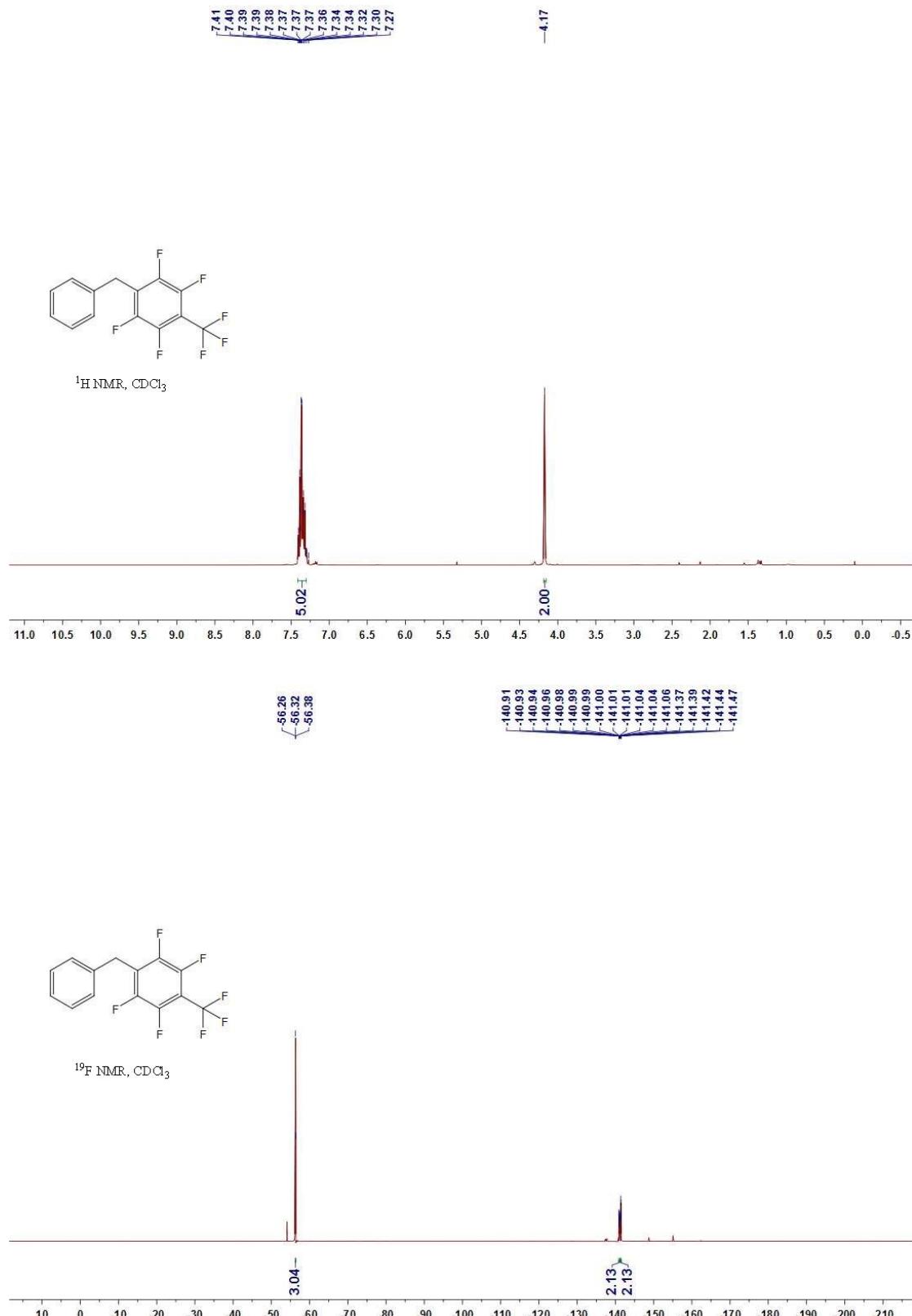
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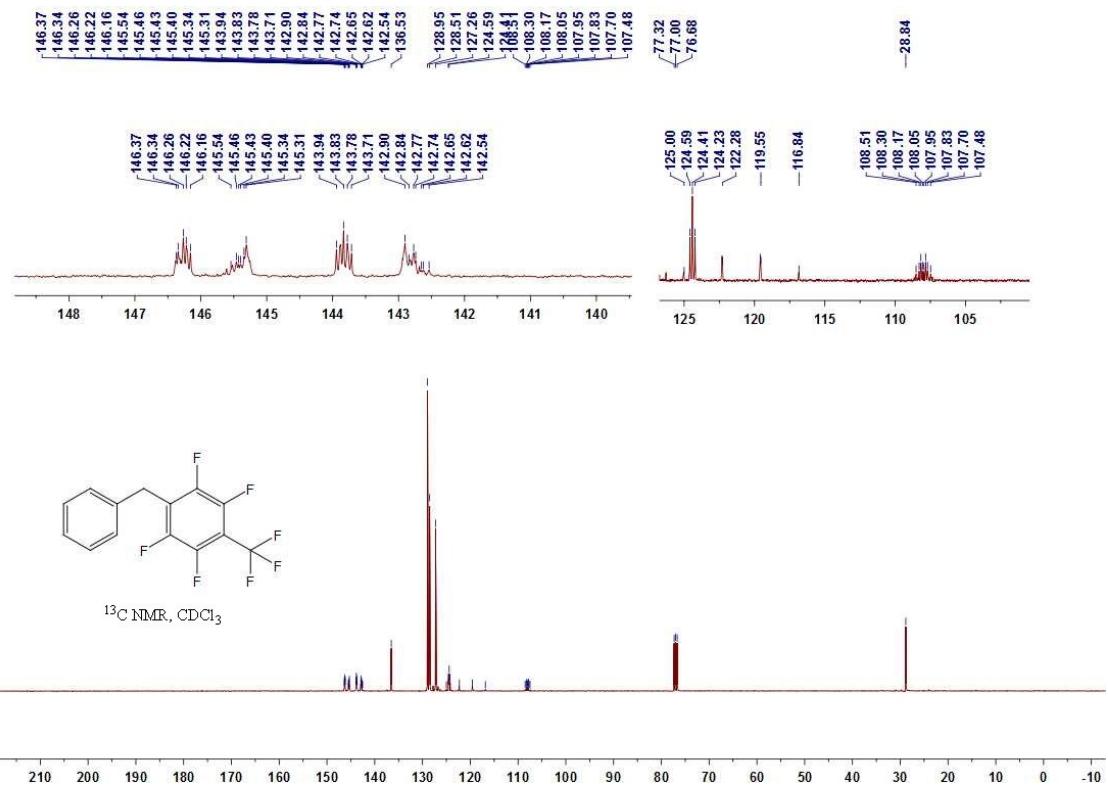




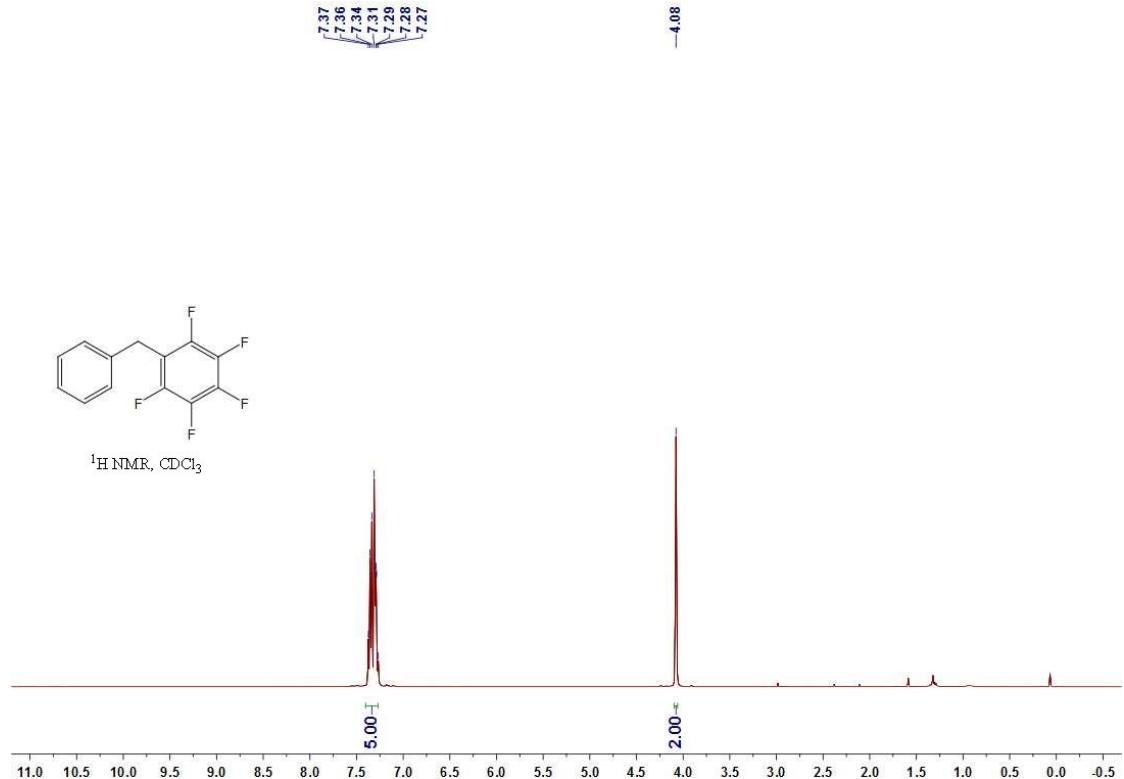


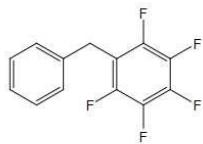
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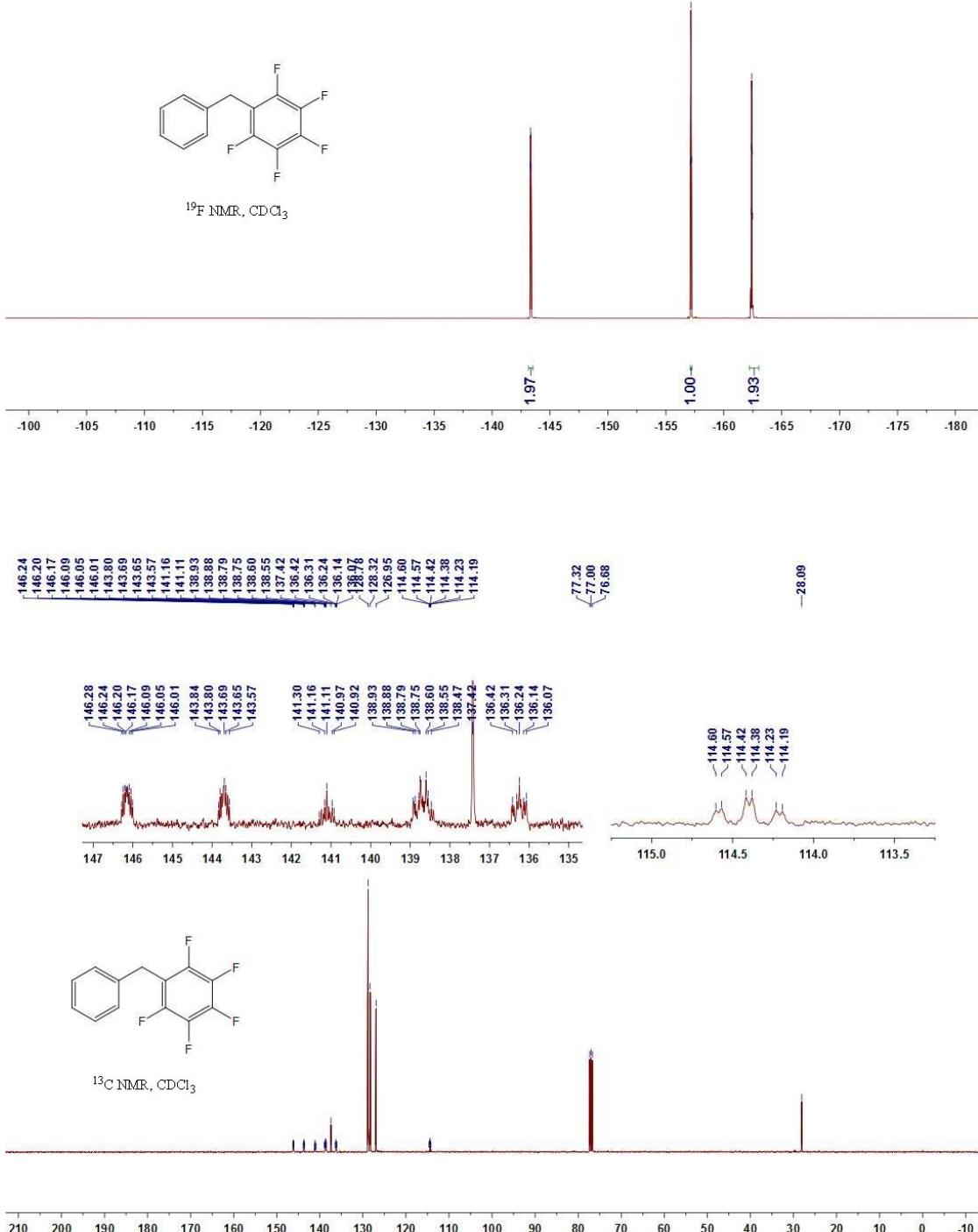


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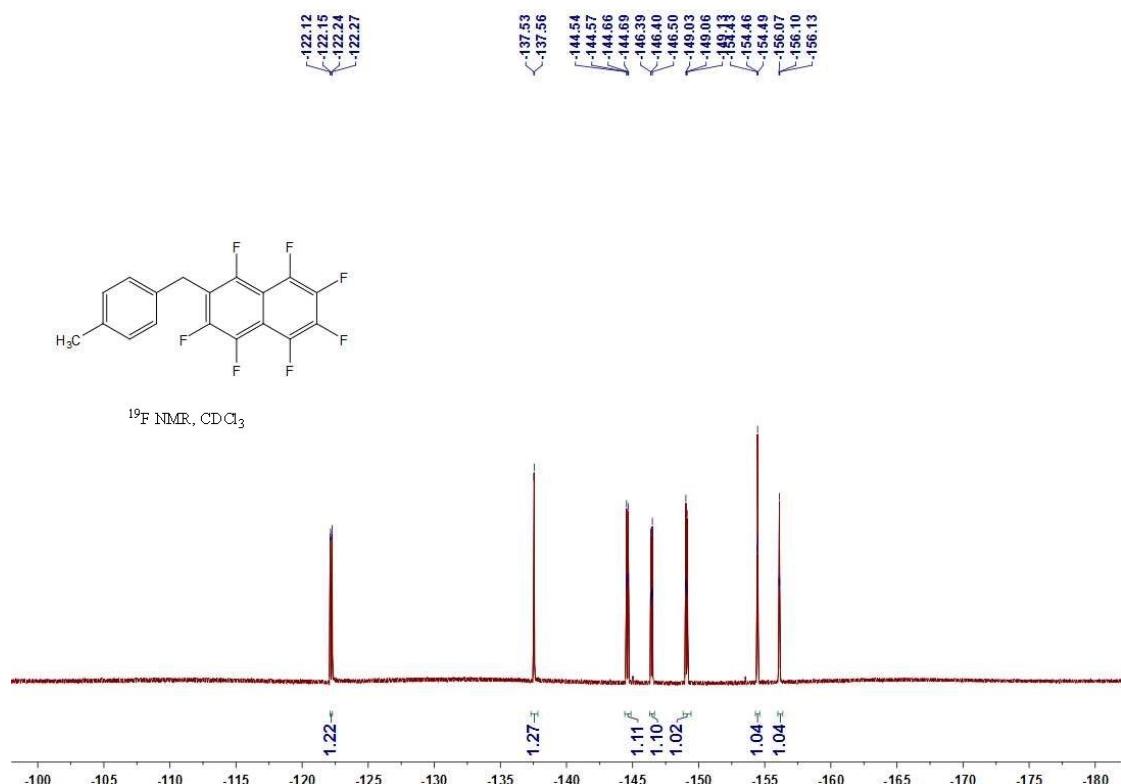
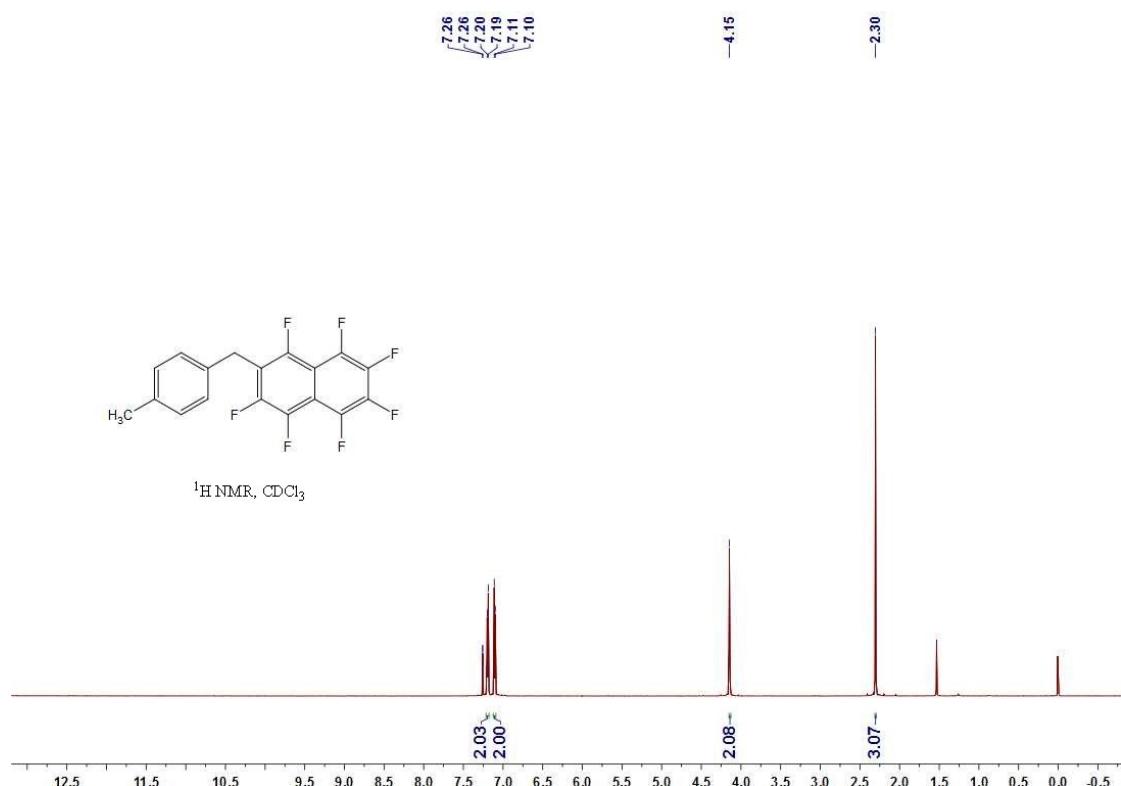


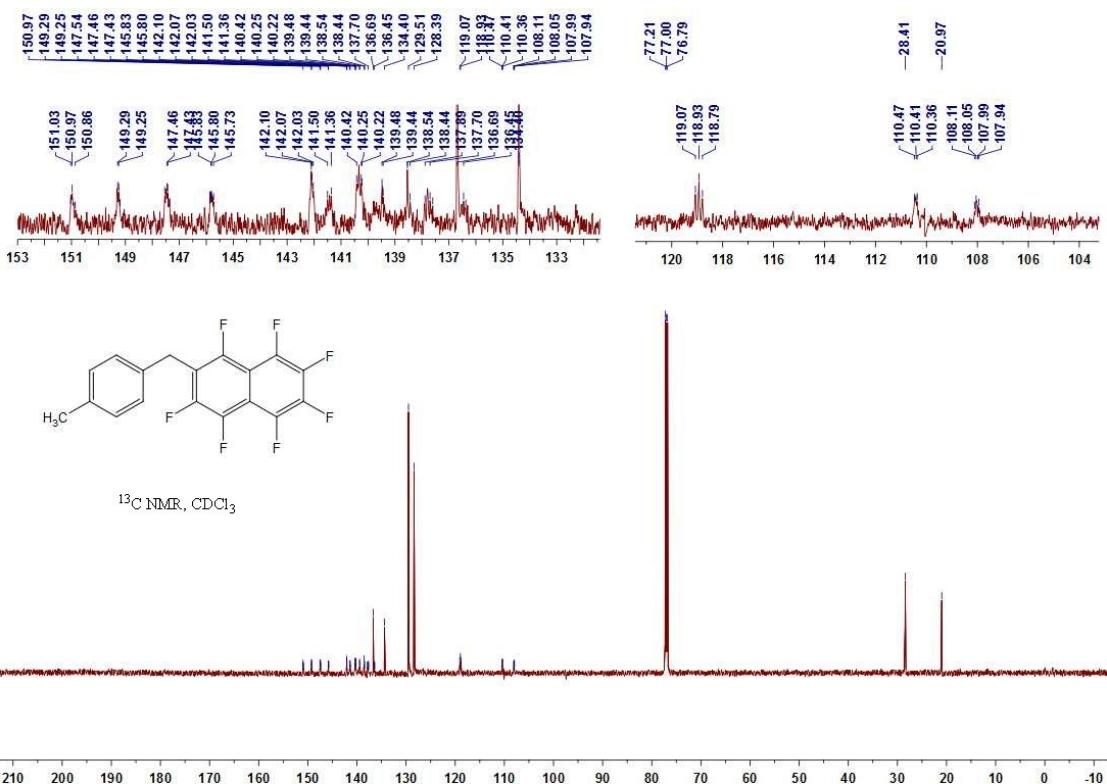


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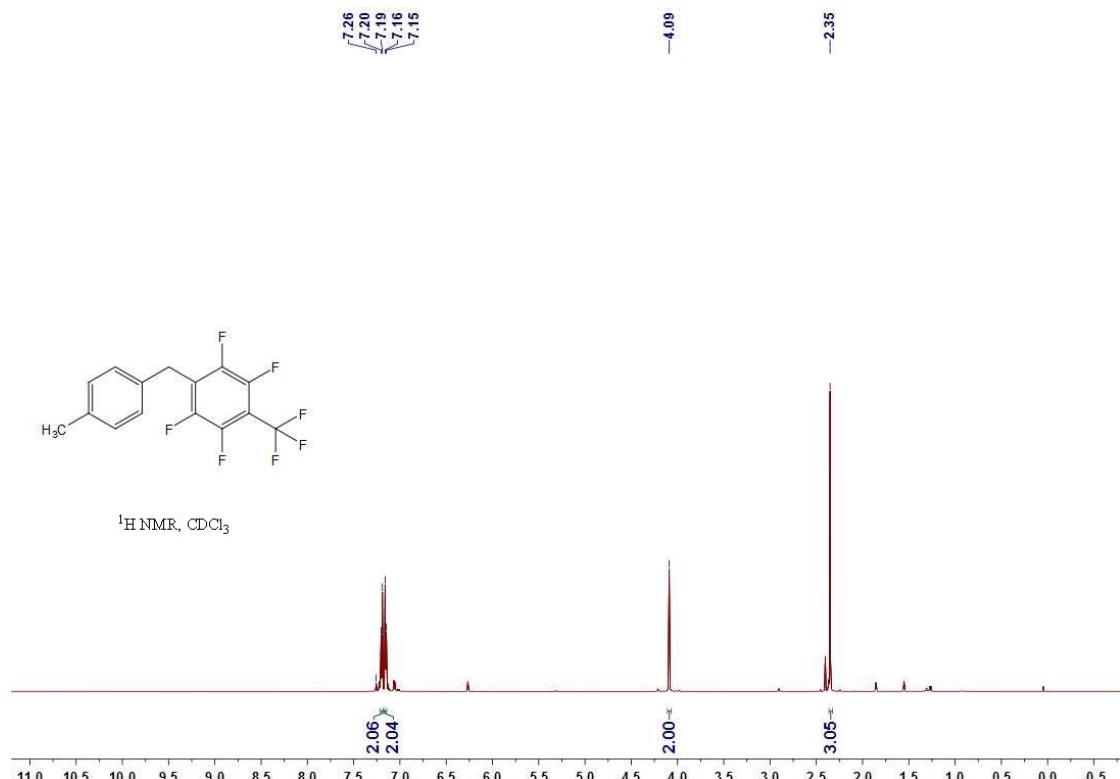


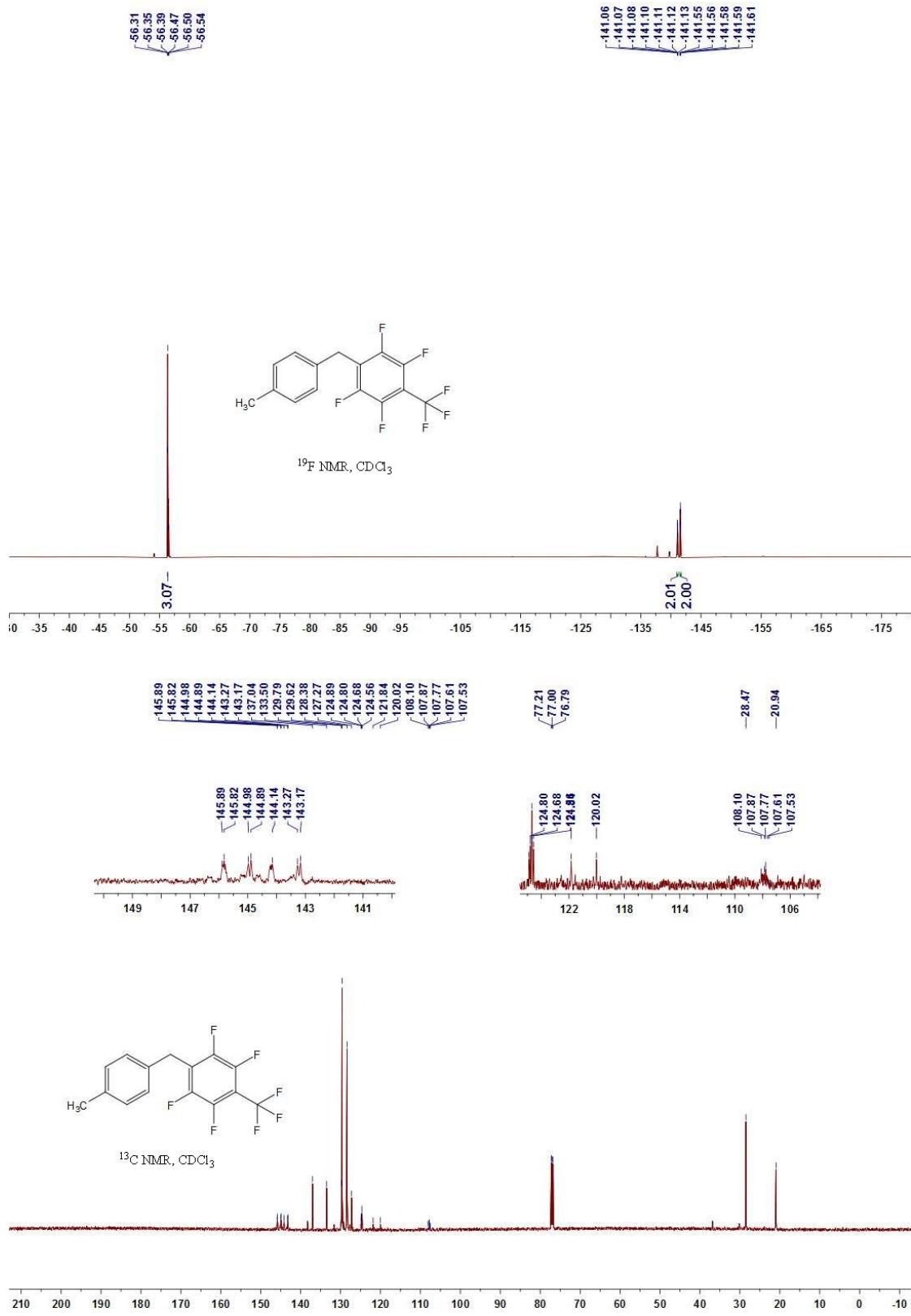
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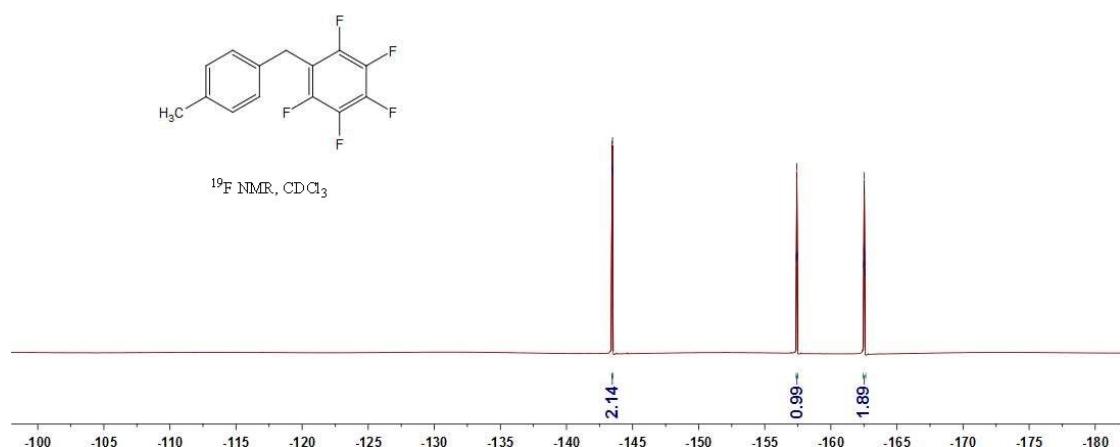
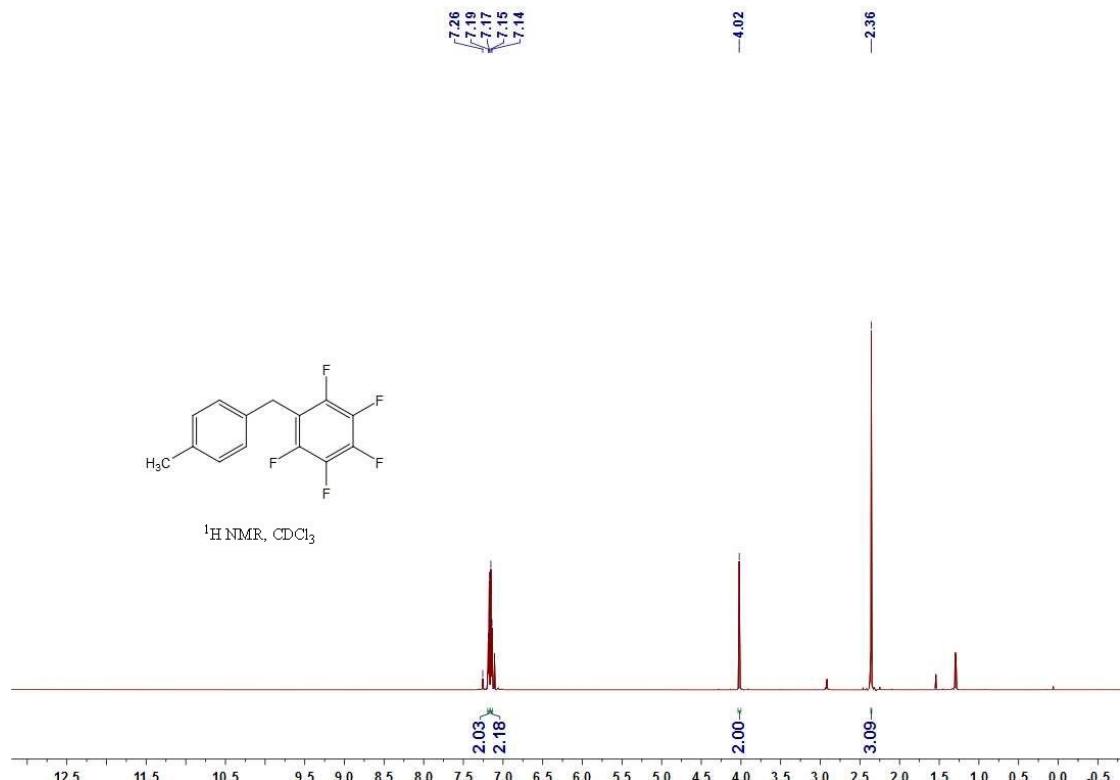


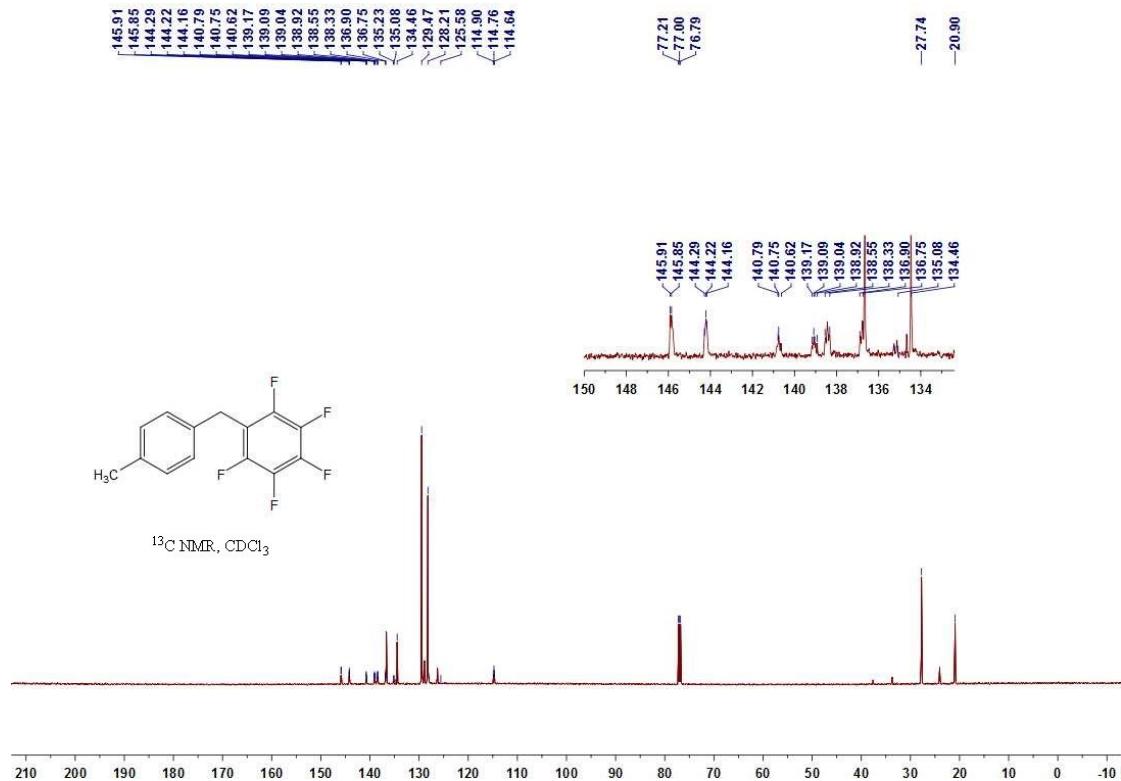
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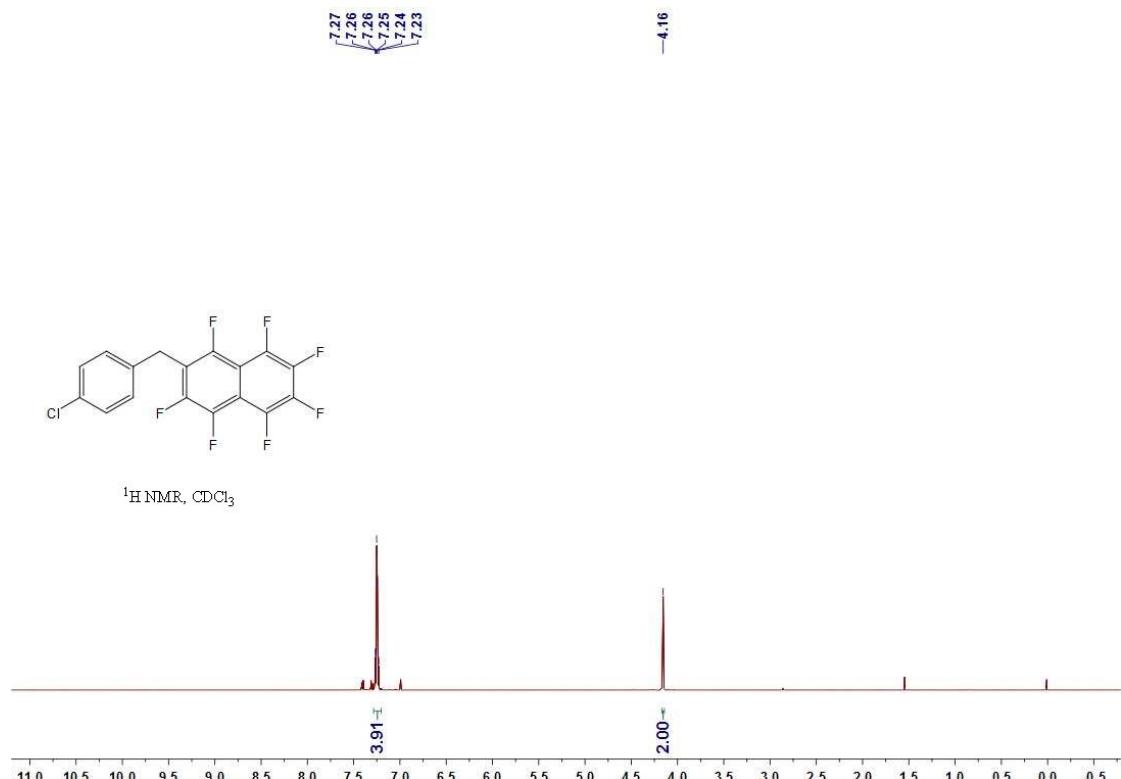


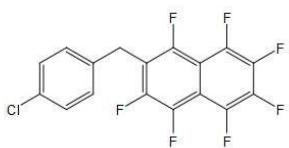
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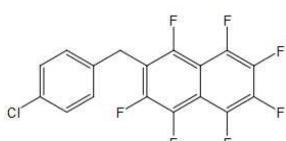
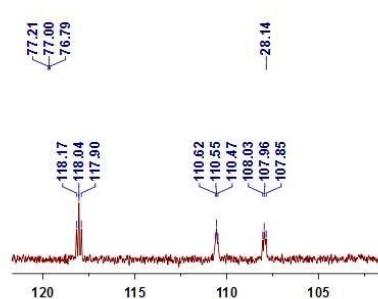
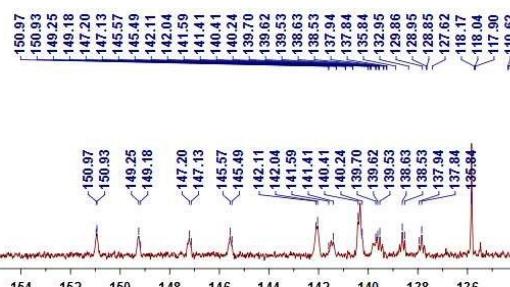
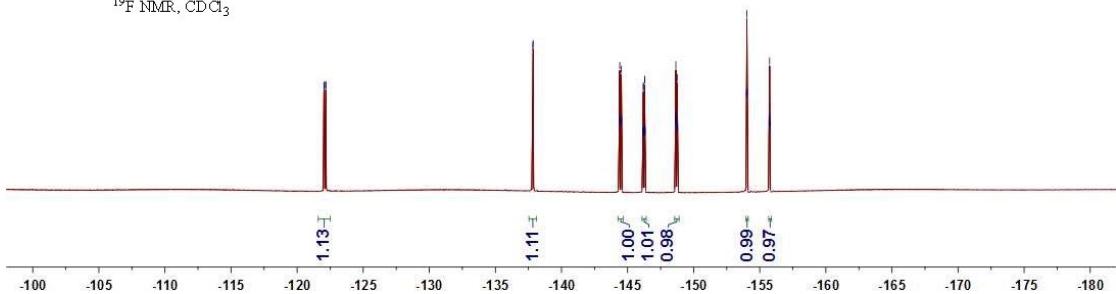


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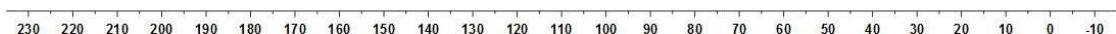




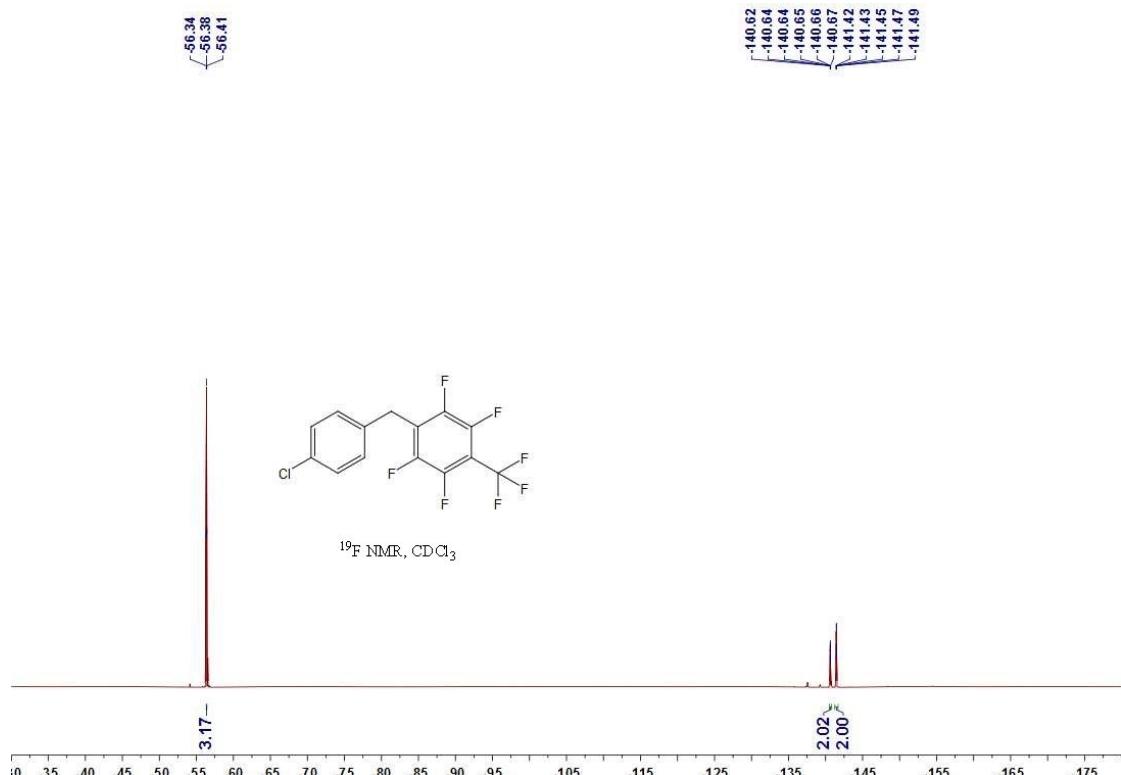
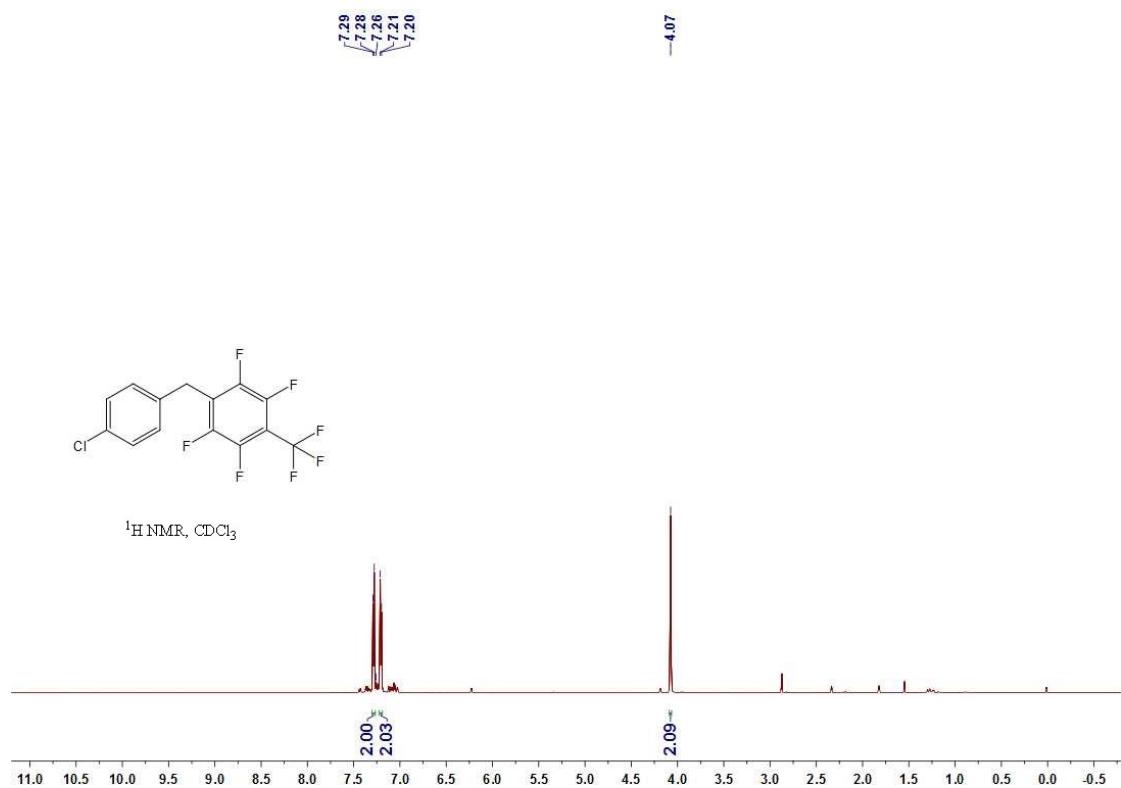
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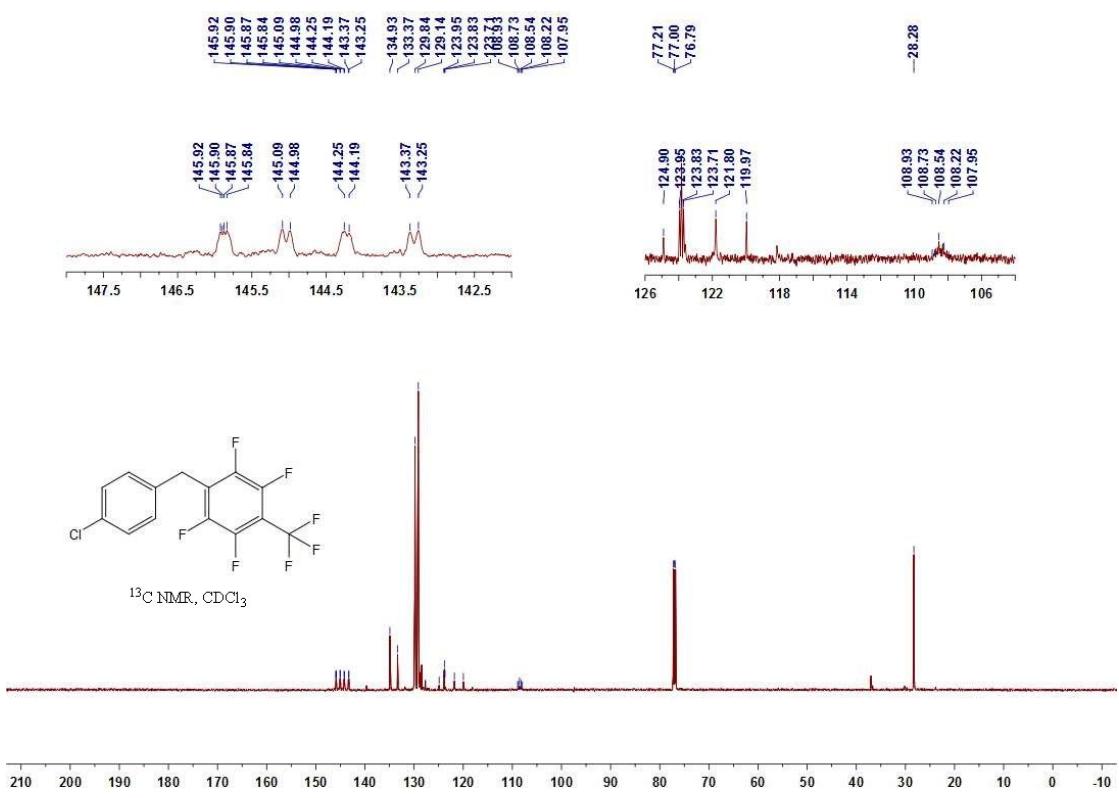


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<sup>1</sup>H, <sup>19</sup>F and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of 3-benzyl-1,2,4,5-tetrafluorobenzene

