

Nickel-Catalyzed Exo-Selective Hydroacylation/Suzuki Cross-Coupling Reaction

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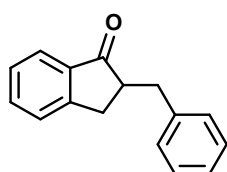
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General information: Unless otherwise noted, all commercially available compounds were used as provided without further purification. Solvents for chromatography were technical grade and distilled prior to use. Toluene used in reactions was analytical grade and distilled from benzophenone/Na. All *o*-allylaldehydes¹ and boronic acid neopentylglycol esters² were prepared according to literature. Analytical thin-layer chromatography (TLC) was performed on Merck silica gel aluminium plates with F-254 indicator, visualised by irradiation with UV light. Column chromatography was performed using silica gel (Macherey Nagel, particle size 0.040-0.063 mm). Solvent mixtures are understood as volume/volume. ¹H-NMR and ¹³C-NMR were recorded on a Varian AV400 or AV600 spectrometer in CDCl₃ and reported relative to the solvents residual ¹H-signal (CHCl₃, δ (H) 7.26). Data are reported in the following order: chemical shift (δ) in ppm; multiplicities are indicated s (singlet), bs (broad singlet), d (doublet), t (triplet), m (multiplet); coupling constants (*J*) are in Hertz (Hz). IR spectra were recorded on a Perkin Elmer-100 spectrometer and are reported in terms of frequency of absorption (cm⁻¹). Mass spectra (MS-EI, 70eV) were conducted on a Finnigan SSQ 7000 mass spectrometer. HRMS were measured on Finnigan MAT 95 or LTQ Orbitrap XL spectrometer.

General procedure for the nickel-catalyzed intramolecular hydroacylation/suzuki domino cross-coupling

An oven-dried sealed tube was charged with *o*-allylbenzaldehyde (0.2 mmol, 1 equiv.), Ni(cod)₂ (0.05 equiv., 2.8 mg, 0.010 mmol), IPr·HCl (0.1 equiv., 8.54 mg, 0.020 mmol), cesium carbonate (2 equiv., 130 mg, 0.4 mmol), H₂O (5 equiv., 18 μ L, 1.0 mmol), the appropriate boronic acid neopentylglycol ester (2.5 equiv., 0.500 mmol), and dry toluene (1 mL) under Ar. The reaction tube was warmed up to 130 °C and stirred for 16 h. After completion, the reaction mixture was cooled down to room temperature. The corresponding product **3** was obtained after purification by column chromatography on silica gel (SiO₂, EtOAc : Hexane = 1 : 30).

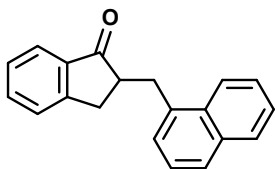
2-benzyl-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-1-one (3a)



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure, and isolated as colorless oil. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.79 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.60 – 7.55 (m, 1H), 7.42 – 7.35 (m, 2H), 7.30 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.27 – 7.20 (m, 3H), 3.41 (dd, *J* = 14.0, 4.3 Hz, 1H), 3.17 (dd, *J* = 17.1, 7.8 Hz, 1H), 3.05 – 2.96 (m, 1H), 2.87 (dd, *J* = 17.2, 4.1 Hz, 1H), 2.67 (dd, *J* = 14.0, 10.5 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 207.98, 153.78, 139.79, 136.69, 134.96, 129.05, 128.67, 127.57,

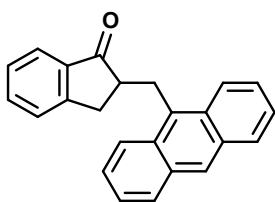
126.73, 126.49, 124.18, 49.08, 37.14, 32.33. The data are in agreement with the reported spectroscopic data.³

2-(naphthalen-1-ylmethyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-1-one (3b)



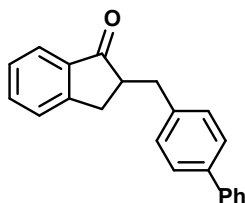
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure, and isolated as pale yellow solid. **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.20 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.89 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.83 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.78 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.61 – 7.49 (m, 3H), 7.46 – 7.36 (m, 4H), 4.05 (dd, *J* = 14.3, 3.7 Hz, 1H), 3.27 – 3.15 (m, 1H), 3.10 (dd, *J* = 17.2, 7.8 Hz, 1H), 2.97 – 2.83 (m, 2H). **¹³C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 208.06, 153.76, 136.62, 135.99, 135.01, 134.12, 131.94, 129.05, 127.63, 127.47, 126.76, 126.63, 126.37, 125.88, 125.55, 124.24, 123.82, 48.36, 34.81, 32.897. **IR** (ATR): $\tilde{\nu}$ = 2923, 1705, 1602, 1459, 1271, 1202, 986, 785 cm⁻¹. **HRMS** (ESI): Calcd. for C₂₀H₁₆ONa⁺ ([M+Na]⁺): *m/z* 295.1093; found, 295.1093.

2-(anthracen-9-ylmethyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-1-one (3c)



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure, and isolated as white solid. **¹H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.42 (s, 1H), 8.38 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 8.09 – 8.00 (m, 2H), 7.87 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.59 – 7.52 (m, 3H), 7.51 – 7.48 (m, 2H), 7.41 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.37 (dd, *J* = 14.7, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 3.76 (dd, *J* = 14.7, 11.3 Hz, 1H), 3.37 – 3.27 (m, 1H), 2.98 (dd, *J* = 17.3, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 2.84 (dd, *J* = 17.3, 7.9 Hz, 1H). **¹³C NMR** (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 207.99, 153.73, 136.51, 135.03, 134.28, 132.32, 131.80, 130.13, 129.56, 127.65, 126.75, 126.70, 126.10, 125.10, 124.52, 124.28, 49.87, 32.51, 28.47. **IR** (ATR): $\tilde{\nu}$ = 2922, 1704, 1602, 1459, 1279, 1148, 889, 732 cm⁻¹. **HRMS** (ESI): Calcd. for C₂₄H₁₈ONa⁺ ([M+Na]⁺): *m/z* 345.1247; found, 345.1250.

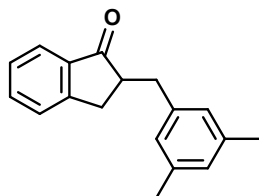
2-([1,1'-biphenyl]-4-ylmethyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-1-one (3d)



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure, and isolated as colorless oil. **¹H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.81 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.63 – 7.52 (m, 5H), 7.47 – 7.31 (m, 7H), 3.44 (dd, *J* = 14.1, 4.3 Hz, 1H), 3.23 (dd, *J* = 17.2, 7.8 Hz, 1H), 3.10 – 3.02 (m, 1H), 2.91 (dd, *J* = 17.2, 4.1 Hz, 1H), 2.73 (dd, *J* = 14.0, 10.4 Hz, 1H). **¹³C NMR** (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 207.93, 153.77, 140.99, 139.43, 138.87, 136.69, 134.99, 129.47, 128.88, 127.60, 127.37, 127.29,

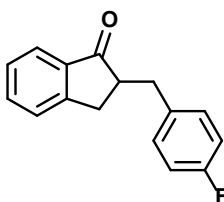
127.11, 126.75, 124.19, 49.04, 36.77, 32.39. The data are in agreement with the reported spectroscopic data.³

2-(3,5-dimethylbenzyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-1-one (3e)



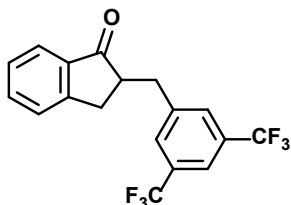
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure, and isolated as colorless oil. **¹H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.78 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.57 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.87 (s, 3H), 3.35 (dd, *J* = 13.9, 4.3 Hz, 1H), 3.17 (dd, *J* = 17.2, 7.7 Hz, 1H), 3.00 – 2.96 (m, 1H), 2.86 (dd, *J* = 17.2, 4.1 Hz, 1H), 2.54 (dd, *J* = 13.9, 10.7 Hz, 1H), 2.30 (s, 6H). **¹³C NMR** (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 208.15, 153.88, 139.79, 138.15, 136.72, 134.91, 128.12, 127.53, 126.84, 126.75, 124.17, 49.18, 37.10, 32.49, 21.45. **IR** (ATR): $\tilde{\nu}$ = 2920, 2854, 1711, 1605, 1464, 1281, 754, 705 cm⁻¹. **HRMS** (ESI): Calcd. for C₁₈H₁₈ONa⁺ ([M+Na]⁺): *m/z* 273.1249; found, 273.1250.

2-(4-fluorobenzyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-1-one (3f)



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure, and isolated as colorless oil. **¹H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.77 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.57 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.42 – 7.35 (m, 2H), 7.22 – 7.18 (m, 2H), 7.01 – 6.94 (m, 2H), 3.33 (dd, *J* = 14.1, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 3.17 (dd, *J* = 17.1, 7.8 Hz, 1H), 2.99 – 2.94 (m, 1H), 2.83 (dd, *J* = 17.2, 4.1 Hz, 1H), 2.70 (dd, *J* = 14.1, 10.0 Hz, 1H). **¹³C NMR** (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 207.82, 161.67 (d, *J* = 244.3 Hz), 153.65, 136.62, 135.26 (d, *J* = 3.6 Hz), 135.04, 130.45 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 127.63, 126.71, 124.16, 115.43 (d, *J* = 21.0 Hz), 49.02, 36.20, 32.13. **¹⁹F NMR** (564 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -116.81 – -116.87 (m, 1F). The data are in agreement with the reported spectroscopic data.³

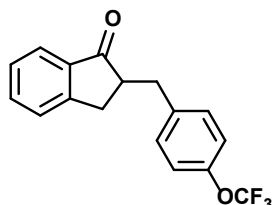
2-(3,5-bis(trifluoromethyl)benzyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-1-one (3g)



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure, and isolated as colorless oil. **¹H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.79 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.75 (s, 1H), 7.71 (s, 2H), 7.61 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.46 – 7.37 (m, 2H), 3.51 (dd, *J* = 14.3, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 3.26 (dd, *J* = 17.0, 7.9 Hz, 1H), 3.08 – 2.97 (m, 1H), 2.88 – 2.75 (m, 2H). **¹³C NMR** (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 206.66, 153.08, 142.34, 136.32, 135.36, 132.52 – 131.33 (m), 129.17, 127.94, 126.74, 124.35, 122.52, 120.80 – 120.69 (m), 48.41, 36.82, 32.30. **¹⁹F NMR** (564 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -62.84. **IR** (ATR): =

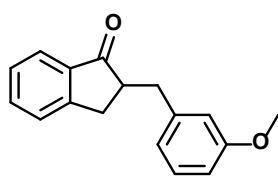
2920, 2853, 1701, 1613, 1463, 1380, 1279, 1169, 1115, 754 cm^{-1} . **HRMS** (ESI): Calcd. for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_1\text{F}_6^+$ (M^+): m/z 358.0788; found, 358.0787.

2-(4-(trifluoromethoxy)benzyl)-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-one (3h)



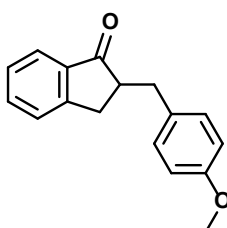
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure, and isolated as colorless oil. **^1H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.78 (d, $J = 7.7$, 1H), 7.58 (td, $J = 7.4$, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.43 – 7.33 (m, 2H), 7.31 – 7.23 (m, 2H), 7.17 – 7.07 (m, 2H), 3.37 (dd, $J = 14.0$, 4.3 Hz, 1H), 3.20 (dd, $J = 17.0$, 7.8 Hz, 1H), 3.05 – 2.91 (m, 1H), 2.83 (dd, $J = 17.0$, 4.1 Hz, 1H), 2.71 (dd, $J = 14.0$, 10.1 Hz, 1H). **^{13}C NMR** (150 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 207.58, 153.56, 147.93, 138.47, 136.57, 135.12, 130.32, 127.71, 126.73, 124.23, 121.23, 120.61 (d, $J = 256.8$ Hz), 48.88, 36.37, 32.25. **^{19}F NMR** (564 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -57.91. **IR** (ATR): = 2923, 2854, 1712, 1608, 1509, 1262, 1222, 1164, 749 cm^{-1} . **HRMS** (ESI): Calcd. for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{14}\text{O}_2\text{F}_3^+$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$): m/z 307.0951; found, 307.0940.

2-(3-methoxybenzyl)-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-one (3i)



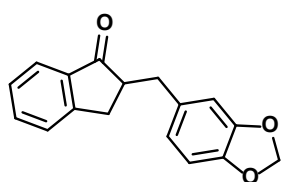
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure, and isolated as colorless oil. **^1H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.78 (dd, $J = 7.7$, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.57 (td, $J = 7.4$, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.43 – 7.33 (m, 2H), 7.22 (t, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 1H), 6.89 – 6.70 (m, 3H), 3.38 (dd, $J = 14.0$, 4.3 Hz, 1H), 3.18 (dd, $J = 17.2$, 7.8 Hz, 1H), 3.01 – 2.98 (m, 1H), 2.87 (dd, $J = 17.2$, 4.1 Hz, 1H), 2.64 (dd, $J = 14.0$, 10.5 Hz, 1H). **^{13}C NMR** (150 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 207.99, 159.82, 153.81, 141.42, 136.64, 134.98, 129.63, 127.56, 126.73, 124.15, 121.39, 114.73, 111.76, 55.28, 49.00, 37.18, 32.34. The data are in agreement with the reported spectroscopic data.³

2-(4-methoxybenzyl)-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-one (3j)



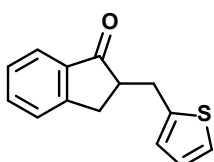
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure, and isolated as colorless oil. **^1H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.78 (d, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.58 – 7.55 (m, 1H), 7.41 – 7.35 (m, 2H), 7.18 – 7.14 (m, 2H), 6.85 – 6.82 (m, 2H), 3.79 (s, 2H), 3.31 (dd, $J = 14.1$, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 3.16 (dd, $J = 17.2$, 7.8 Hz, 1H), 2.99 – 2.94 (m, 1H), 2.86 (dd, $J = 17.2$, 4.1 Hz, 1H), 2.65 (dd, $J = 14.0$, 10.2 Hz, 1H). **^{13}C NMR** (150 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 208.16, 158.25, 153.85, 136.74, 134.93, 131.70, 130.02, 127.54, 126.73, 124.14, 114.03, 55.38, 49.26, 36.23, 32.22. The data are in agreement with the reported spectroscopic data³.

2-(benzo[d][1,3]dioxol-5-ylmethyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-1-one (3k)



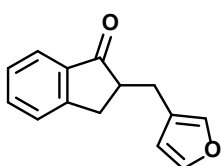
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure, and isolated as colorless oil. **¹H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.77 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.57 (td, *J* = 7.4, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.43 – 7.35 (m, 2H), 6.75 – 6.72 (m, 2H), 6.69 – 6.67 (m, 1H), 5.93 (s, 2H), 3.29 (dd, *J* = 14.1, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 3.17 (dd, *J* = 17.1, 7.8 Hz, 1H), 2.97 – 2.91 (m, 1H), 2.86 (dd, *J* = 17.2, 4.1 Hz, 1H), 2.62 (dd, *J* = 14.0, 10.2 Hz, 1H). **¹³C NMR** (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 207.94, 153.79, 147.84, 146.19, 136.69, 134.98, 133.46, 127.58, 126.74, 124.18, 121.99, 109.38, 108.37, 101.03, 49.24, 36.81, 32.16. **IR** (ATR): = 2920, 2854, 1707, 1607, 1489, 1442, 762 cm⁻¹. **HRMS** (ESI): Calcd. for C₁₇H₁₅O₃⁺ ([M+H]⁺): *m/z* 267.1014; found, 267.1016.

2-(thiophen-2-ylmethyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-1-one (3l)



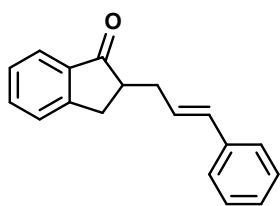
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure, and isolated as colorless oil. **¹H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.78 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.60 – 7.55 (m, 1H), 7.44 – 7.35 (m, 1H), 7.27 – 7.24 (m, 1H), 7.03 – 6.96 (m, 2H), 3.33 (dd, *J* = 14.5, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 3.25 (dd, *J* = 17.2, 7.8 Hz, 1H), 3.02 – 2.96 (m, 1H), 2.87 (dd, *J* = 17.1, 4.1 Hz, 1H), 2.82 (ddd, *J* = 14.5, 9.8, 1.5 Hz, 1H). **¹³C NMR** (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 207.99, 153.84, 139.86, 136.69, 134.99, 128.49, 127.58, 126.73, 125.88, 124.15, 121.59, 48.38, 32.49, 31.59. **IR** (ATR): $\tilde{\nu}$ = 2921, 1709, 1607, 1465, 1278, 755 cm⁻¹. **HRMS** (ESI): Calcd. for C₁₄H₁₂ONaS⁺ ([M+Na]⁺): *m/z* 251.0499; found, 251.0501.

2-(furan-3-ylmethyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-1-one (3m)



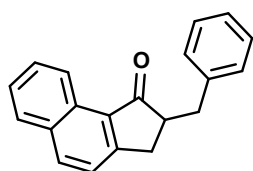
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure, and isolated as colorless oil. **¹H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.77 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.60 – 7.55 (m, 1H), 7.42 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 6.28 (s, 1H), 3.27 (dd, *J* = 17.0, 7.7 Hz, 1H), 3.08 (dd, *J* = 14.7, 4.3 Hz, 1H), 2.95 – 2.88 (m, 1H), 2.86 (dd, *J* = 17.1, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 2.67 (dd, *J* = 14.7, 9.2 Hz, 1H). **¹³C NMR** (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 208.08, 153.87, 143.17, 139.85, 136.77, 134.99, 127.59, 126.73, 124.12, 122.30, 111.34, 47.79, 32.36, 26.23. The data are in agreement with the reported spectroscopic data.³

2-cinnamyl-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-1-one (3n)



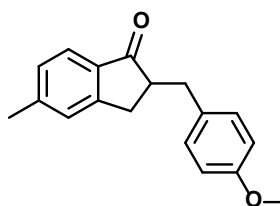
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure, and isolated as colorless oil. **¹H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.78 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.59 (td, *J* = 7.4, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.46 – 7.44 (m, 1H), 7.38 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.34 – 7.27 (m, 4H), 7.23 – 7.19 (m, 1H), 6.49 (d, *J* = 15.7 Hz, 1H), 6.24 – 6.18 (m, 1H), 3.32 (dd, *J* = 17.2, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 2.93 (dd, *J* = 17.2, 3.7 Hz, 1H), 2.90 – 2.83 (m, 2H), 2.47 – 2.39 (m, 1H). **¹³C NMR** (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 208.25, 153.89, 137.35, 136.77, 134.99, 132.33, 128.66, 127.57, 127.37, 126.79, 126.24, 124.10, 47.21, 34.95, 32.22. The data are in agreement with the reported spectroscopic data.⁴

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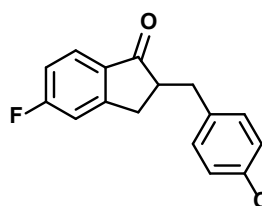
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure, and isolated as pale yellow solid. **¹H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.98 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.94 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.83 – 7.76 (m, 2H), 7.69 – 7.58 (m, 2H), 7.36 – 7.29 (m, 4H), 7.26 – 7.21 (m, 1H), 3.53 – 3.48 (m, 2H), 3.21 – 3.11 (m, 2H), 2.72 (dd, *J* = 14.0, 10.6 Hz, 1H). **¹³C NMR** (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 207.82, 155.22, 139.87, 136.80, 134.12, 130.52, 129.39, 129.07 (d, *J* = 3.6 Hz), 128.77 (d, *J* = 5.7 Hz), 127.19, 126.56, 124.67, 119.86, 48.96, 37.45, 30.74. **IR** (ATR): = 2922, 2859, 1694, 1586, 1455, 1297, 1243, 1067, 815, 757, 697 cm⁻¹. **HRMS** (ESI): Calcd. for C₂₀H₁₆ONa⁺ ([M+Na]⁺): *m/z* 295.1095; found, 295.1093.

2-(4-methoxybenzyl)-5-methyl-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-1-one (3p)



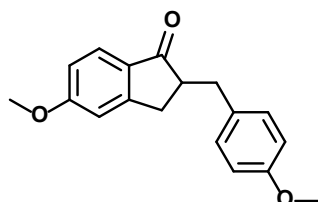
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure, and isolated as colorless oil. **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.66 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.20 – 7.11 (m, 4H), 6.82 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 3.78 (s, 3H), 3.29 (dd, *J* = 14.0, 4.3 Hz, 1H), 3.10 (dd, *J* = 17.1, 7.8 Hz, 1H), 3.00 – 2.88 (m, 1H), 2.79 (dd, *J* = 17.2, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.62 (dd, *J* = 14.0, 10.2 Hz, 1H). **¹³C NMR** (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 207.68, 158.23, 154.38, 146.13, 134.46, 131.83, 130.02, 128.83, 127.06, 123.98, 114.02, 55.39, 49.38, 36.35, 32.04, 22.24. **IR** (ATR): = 2921, 2842, 1704, 158, 1459, 1283, 1152, 1045, 888, 752, 695 cm⁻¹. **HRMS** (ESI): Calcd. for C₁₈H₁₈O₂Na⁺ ([M+Na]⁺): *m/z* 289.1197; found, 289.1199.

5-fluoro-2-(4-methoxybenzyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-1-one (3q)



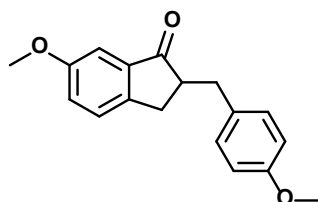
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure, and isolated as colorless oil. **¹H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.40 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 7.37 – 7.34 (m, 1H), 7.30 – 7.27 (m, 1H), 7.14 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 6.85 – 6.82 (m, 2H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.29 (dd, *J* = 14.1, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 3.13 (dd, *J* = 17.0, 7.8 Hz 1H), 3.05 – 2.98 (m, 1H), 2.84 – 2.79 (m, 1H), 2.67 (dd, *J* = 14.1, 10.0 Hz, 1H). **¹³C NMR** (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 207.16, 163.27, 161.62, 158.34, 149.20, 138.47 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 131.37, 130.02, 128.08 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 122.62 (d, *J* = 23.8 Hz), 114.07, 109.89 (d, *J* = 21.6 Hz), 55.39, 50.14, 36.14, 31.62. **¹⁹F NMR** (564 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -114.47. **IR** (ATR): = 2922, 2849, 1711, 1611, 1511, 1440, 1248, 1176, 1033, 818, 516 cm⁻¹. **HRMS** (ESI): Calcd. for C₁₇H₁₅O₂FN⁺ ([M+Na]⁺): *m/z* 293.0944; found, 293.0948.

5-methoxy-2-(4-methoxybenzyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-1-one (3r)



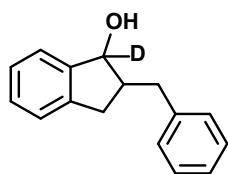
The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure, purified by silica column chromatography (SiO₂, EtOAc : Hexane = 1 : 4) and isolated as white solid. **¹H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.70 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.15 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 6.89 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 6.85 – 6.79 (m, 3H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.29 (dd, *J* = 14.1, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 3.10 (dd, *J* = 17.2, 7.8 Hz, 1H), 3.00 – 2.91 (m, 1H), 2.80 (dd, *J* = 17.2, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.62 (dd, *J* = 14.1, 10.2 Hz, 1H). **¹³C NMR** (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 206.33, 165.53, 158.24, 156.83, 131.85, 130.04, 125.83, 115.51, 114.02, 109.82, 55.58 (d, *J* = 56.0 Hz), 49.38, 36.44, 32.24. The data are in agreement with the reported spectroscopic data.⁵

6-methoxy-2-(4-methoxybenzyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-1-one (3s)



The title compound was prepared according to the general procedure, purified by silica column chromatography (SiO₂, EtOAc : Hexane = 1 : 4) and isolated as white solid. **¹H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.28 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (d, *J* = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 7.19 – 7.13 (m, 3H), 6.86 – 6.80 (m, 2H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.30 (dd, *J* = 14.1, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 3.08 (dd, *J* = 16.8, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 3.03 – 2.94 (m, 1H), 2.77 (dd, *J* = 16.8, 3.7 Hz, 1H), 2.64 (dd, *J* = 14.1, 10.1 Hz, 1H). **¹³C NMR** (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 208.17, 159.54, 158.26, 146.71, 137.85, 131.74, 130.01, 127.44, 124.38, 114.02, 105.19, 55.75, 55.39, 50.06, 36.33, 31.53. **IR** (ATR): = 2923, 2843, 2051, 1705, 1612, 1494, 1244, 1031, 821, 523 cm⁻¹. **HRMS** (ESI): Calcd. for C₁₈H₁₈O₃Na⁺ ([M+Na]⁺): *m/z* 305.1151; found, 305.1148.

2-benzyl-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-d-1-ol (5)

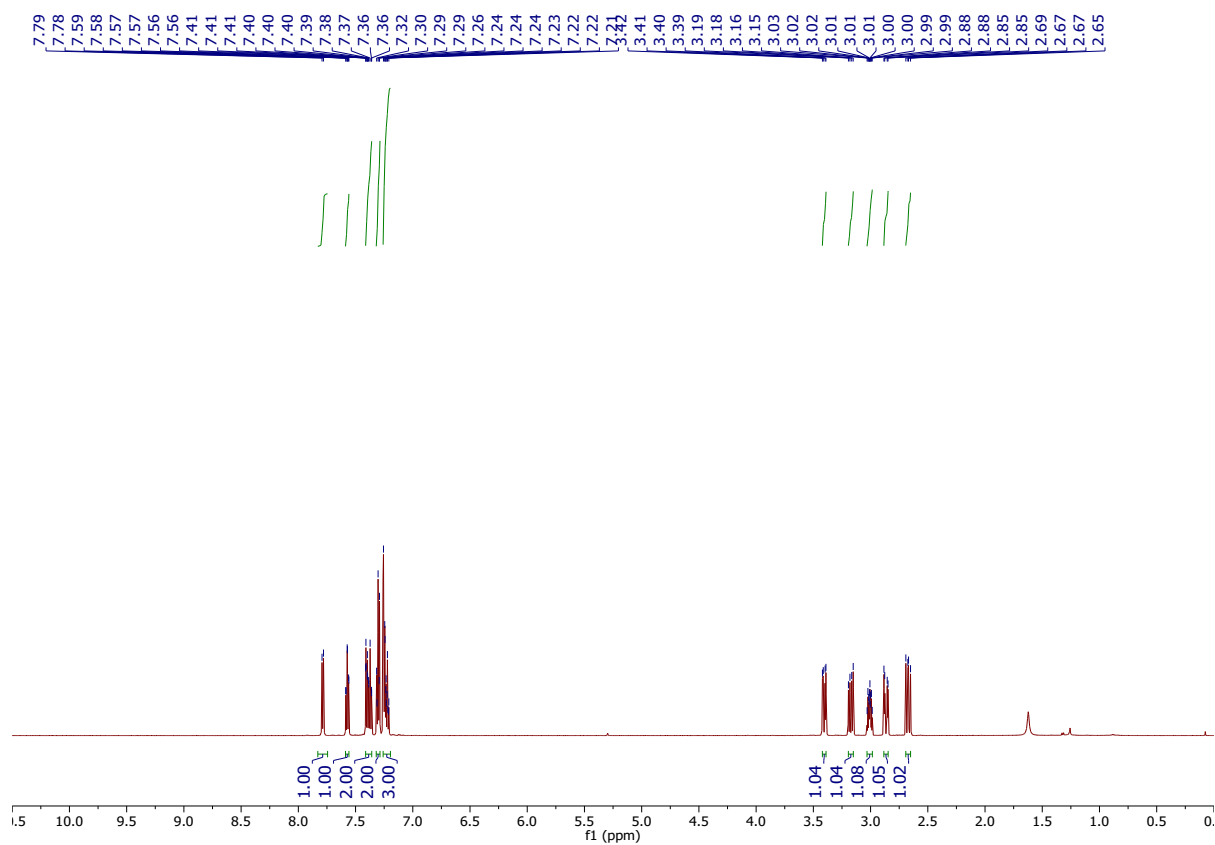


Deuterated aldehyde **4** was prepared according to the literature.⁶ The title compound (**5**) was prepared according to the general procedure, purified by silica column chromatography (SiO₂, EtOAc : Hexane = 1 : 3) and isolated as white solid. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.39 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.34 – 7.30 (m, 3H), 7.29 – 7.20 (m, 5H), 5.01 (d, *J* = 5.5 Hz, 0.11H), 3.11 (dd, *J* = 13.6, 7.4 Hz, 1H), 2.85 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.78 (dd, *J* = 13.6, 8.3 Hz, 1H), 2.71 – 2.63 (m, 1H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 144.81, 143.67, 141.40, 129.05, 128.85, 128.58, 126.92, 126.08, 125.19, 124.90, 46.97, 36.03, 35.12. IR (ATR): = 3395, 2926, 1718, 1601, 1455, 1245, 1118, 1040, 955, 741, 696 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI): Calcd. for C₁₆H₁₅²H₁O₁⁺ (M⁺): *m/z* 225.1263; found, 225.1258.

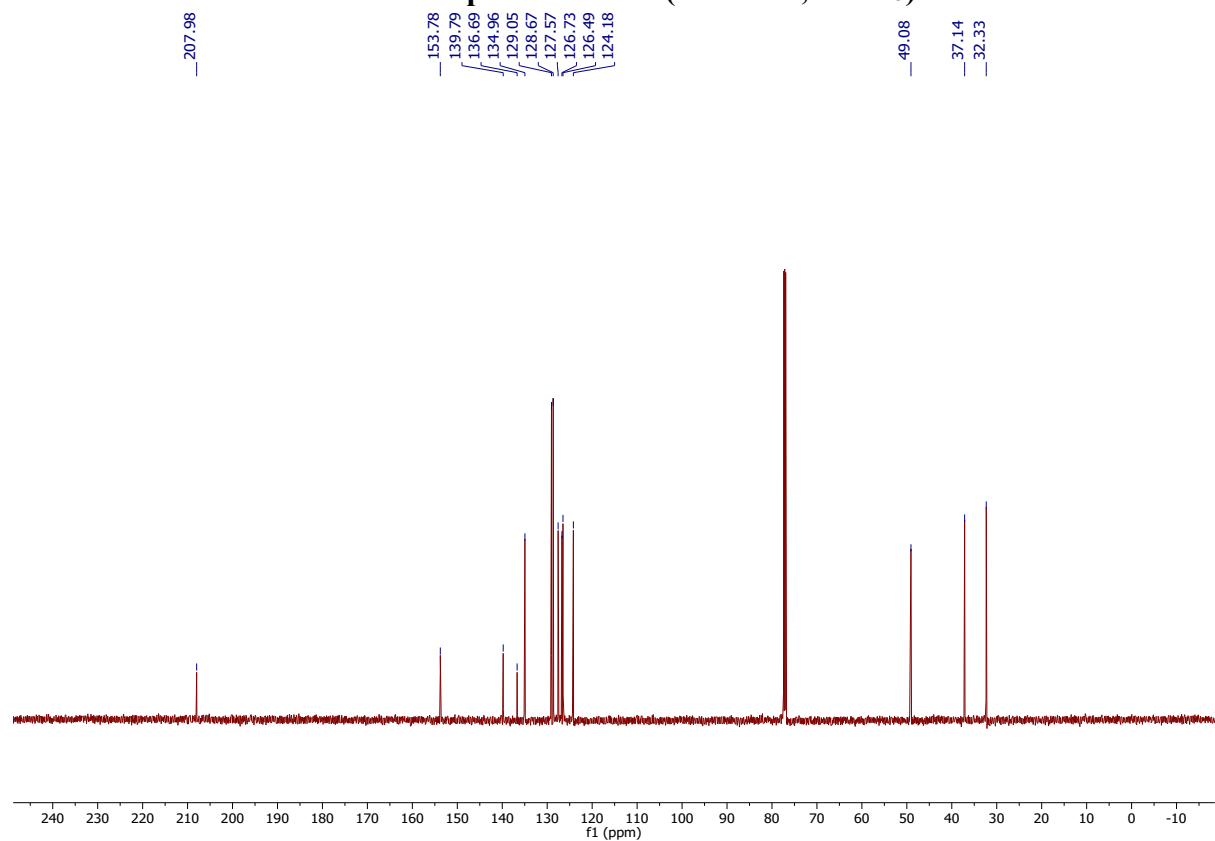
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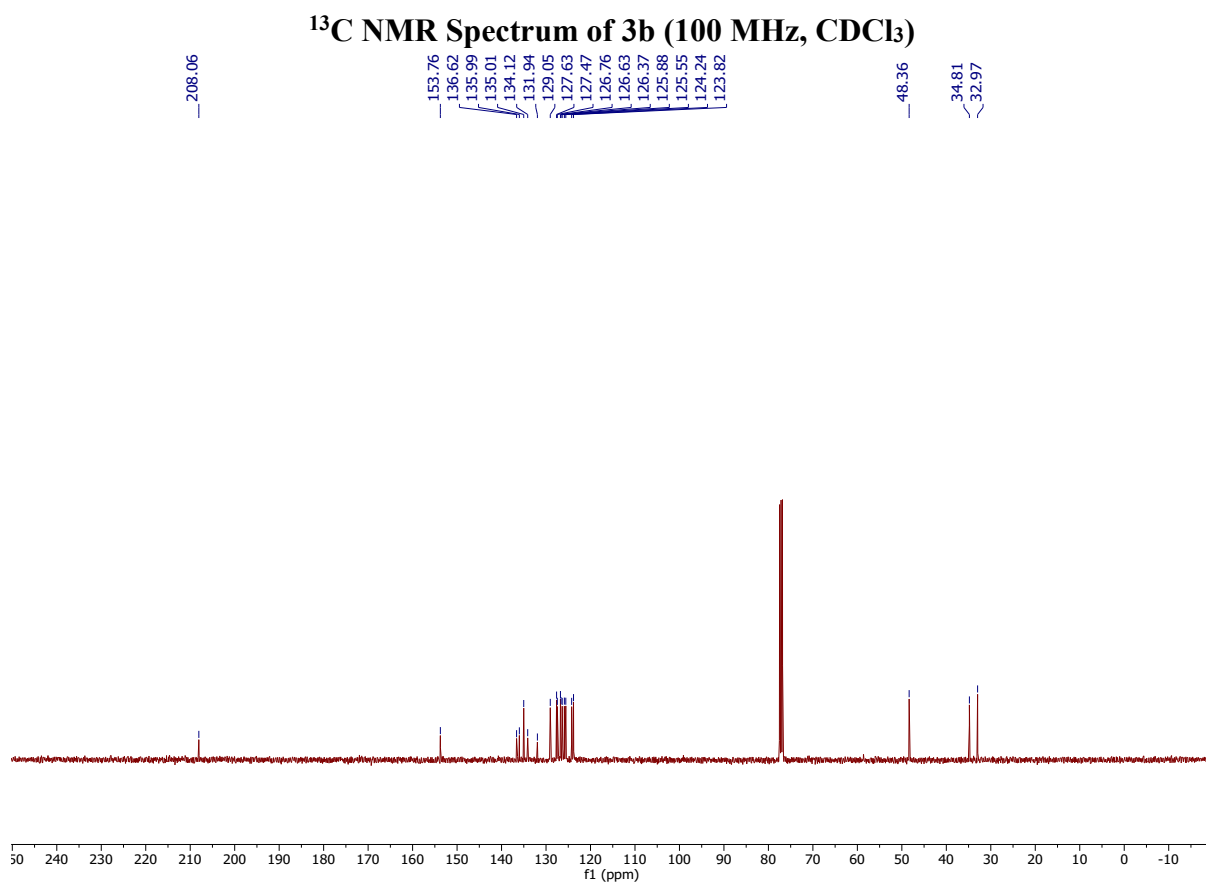
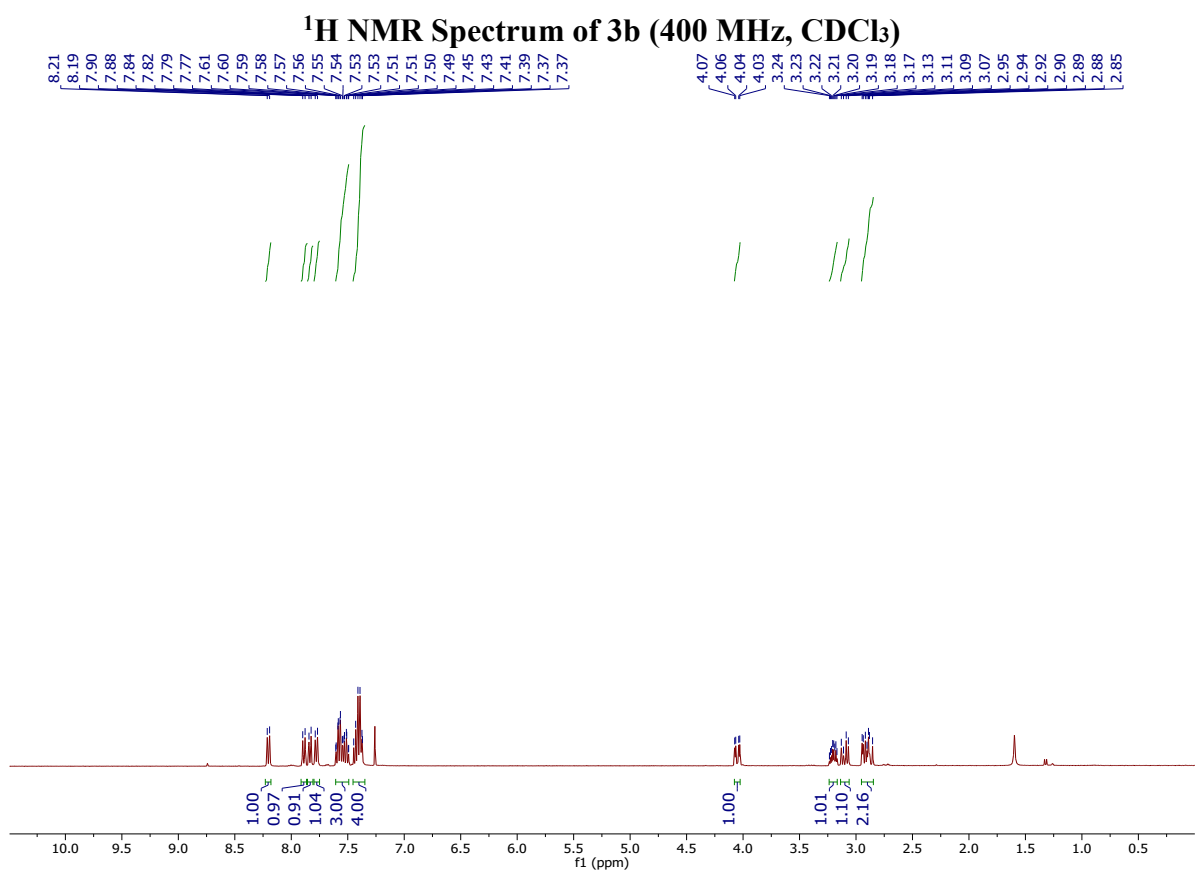
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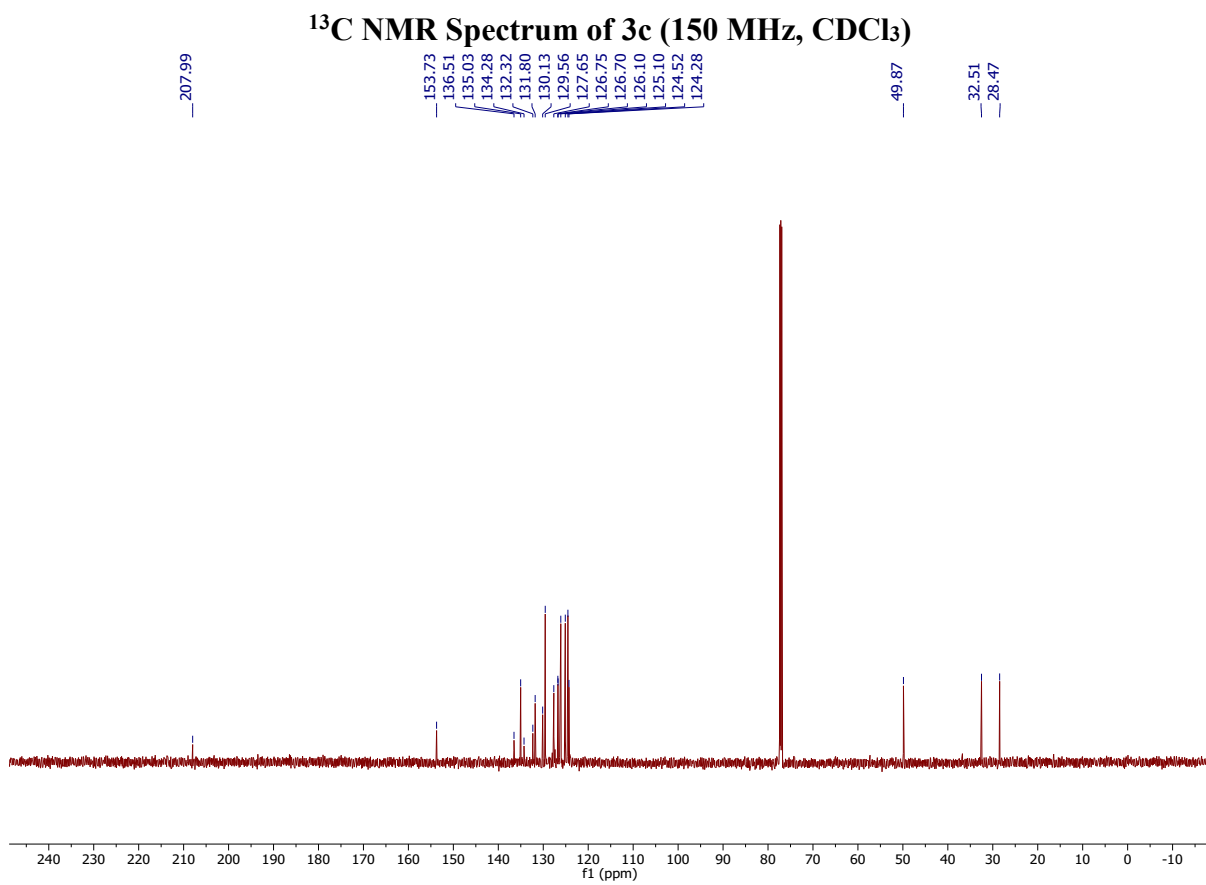
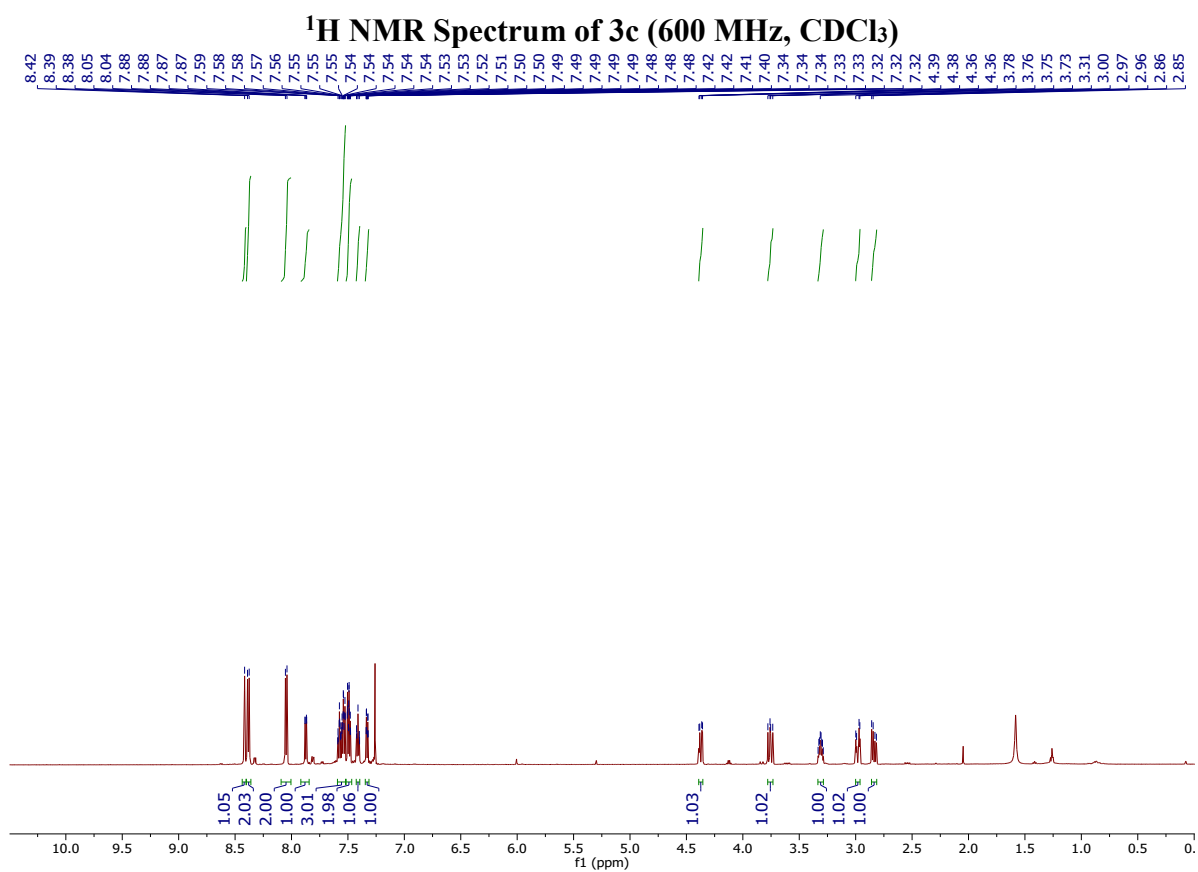
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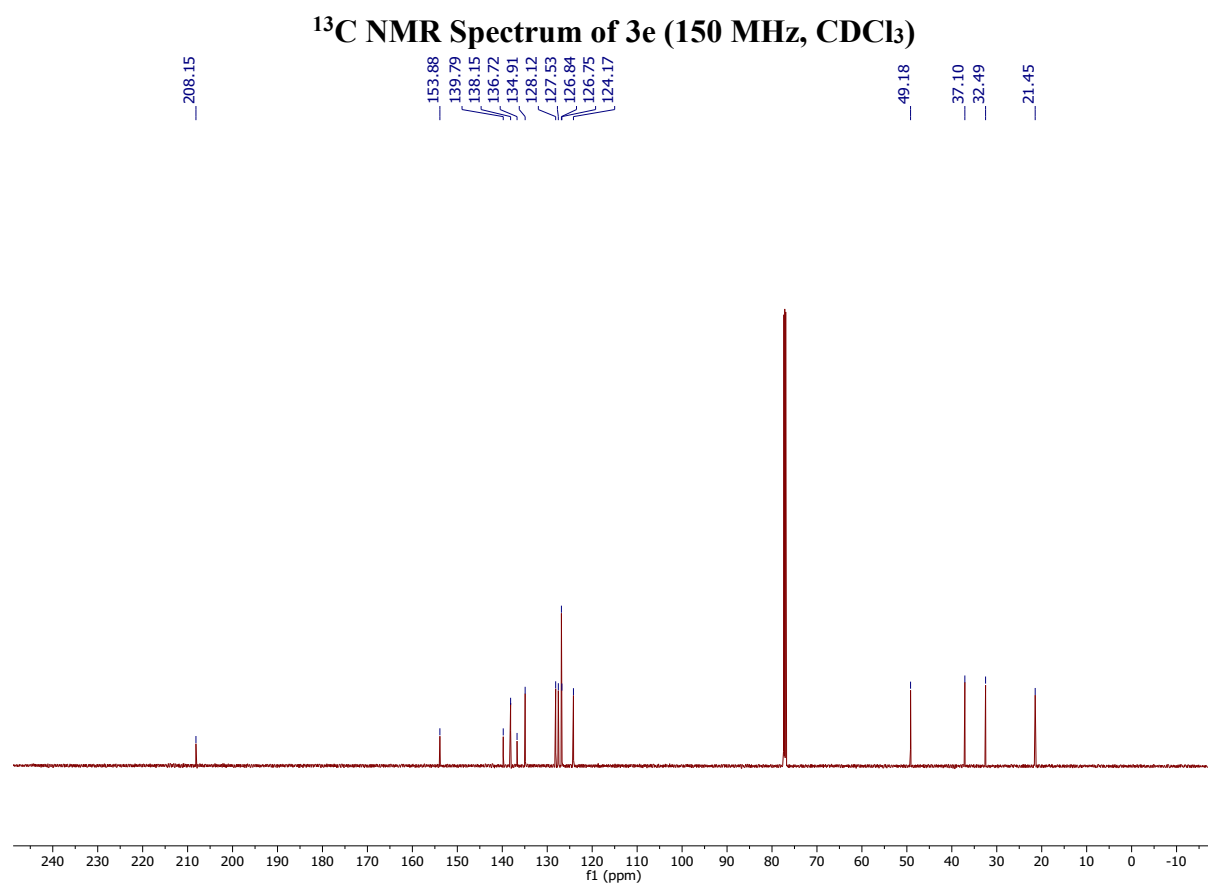
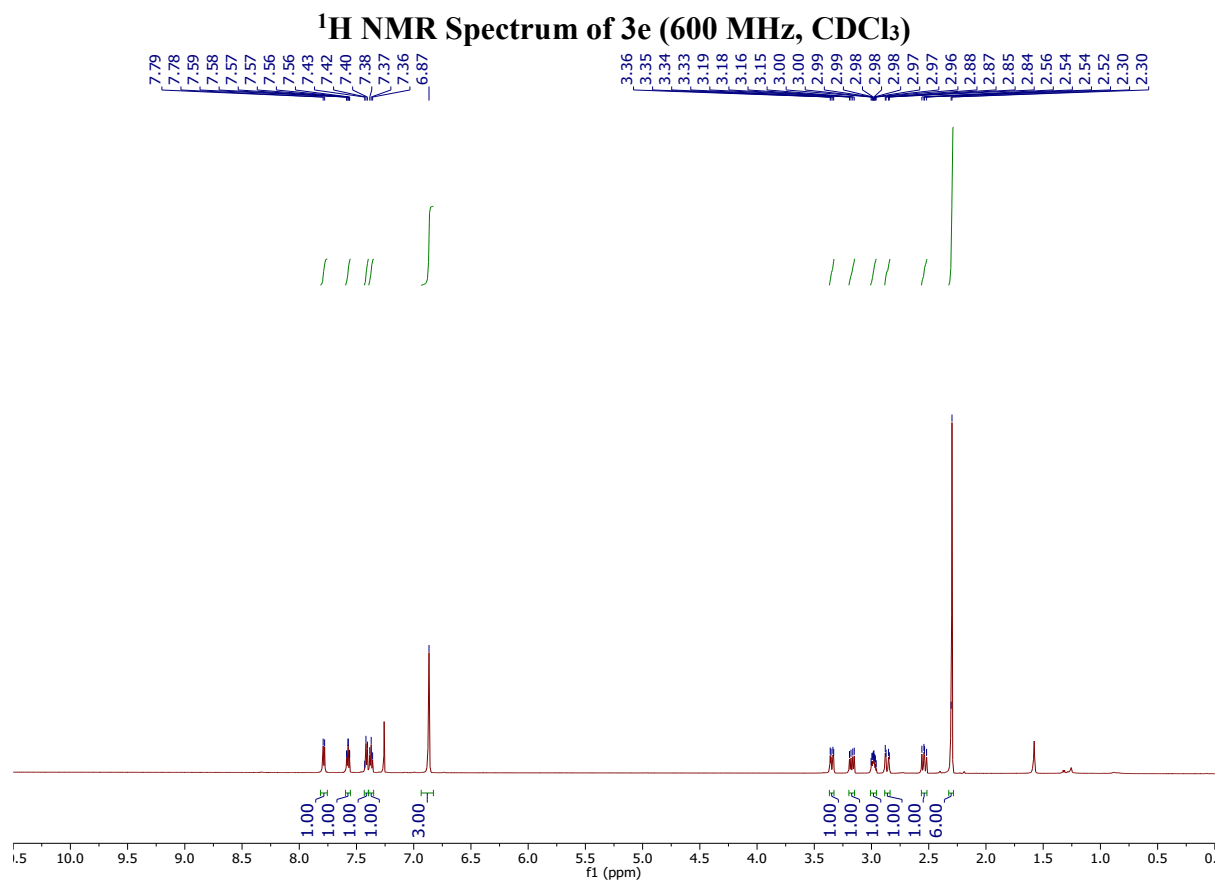


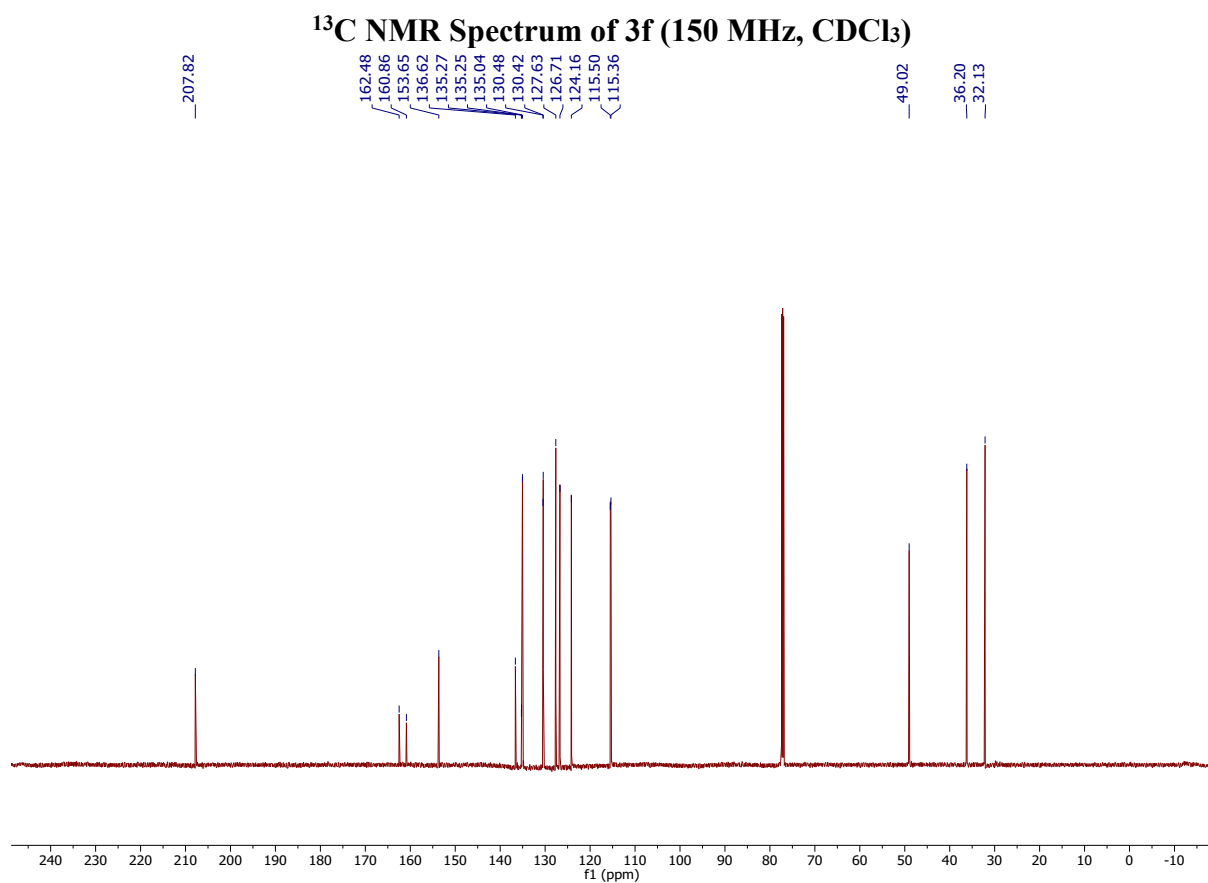
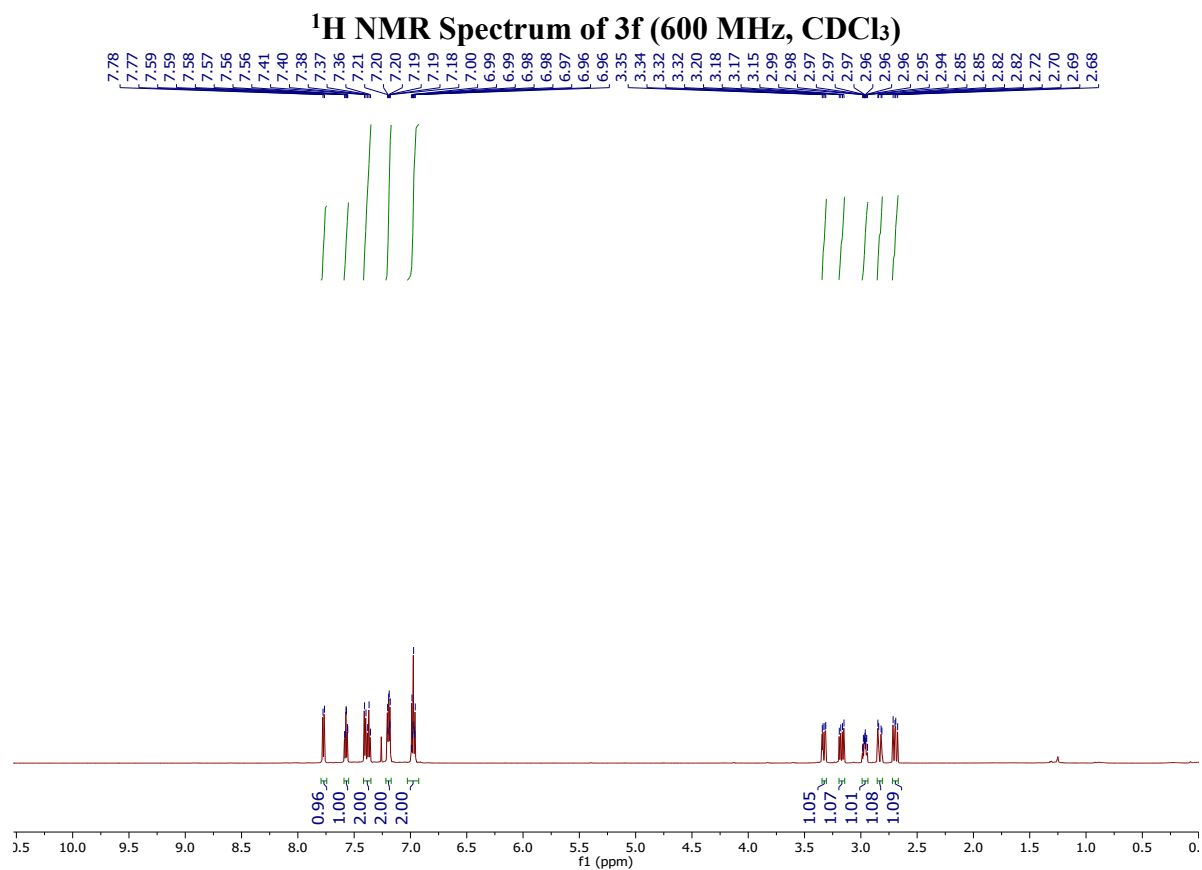
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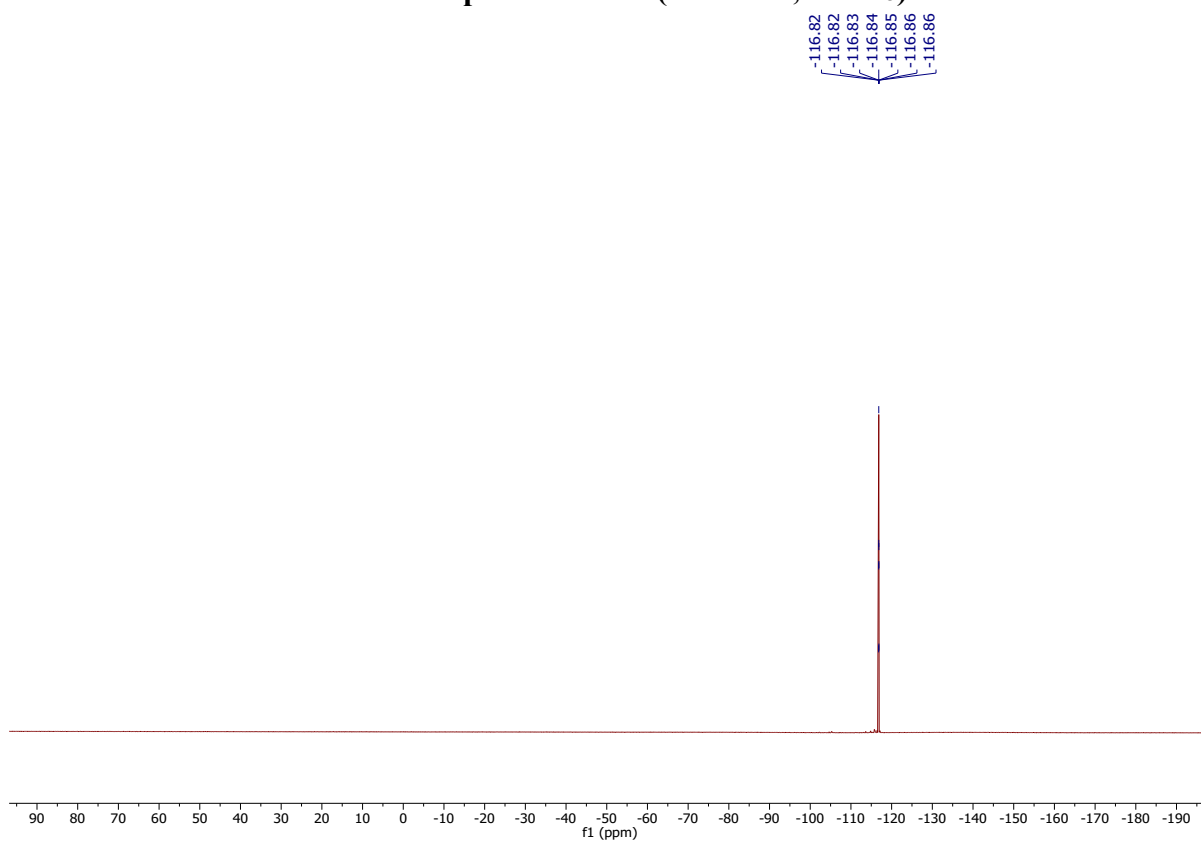




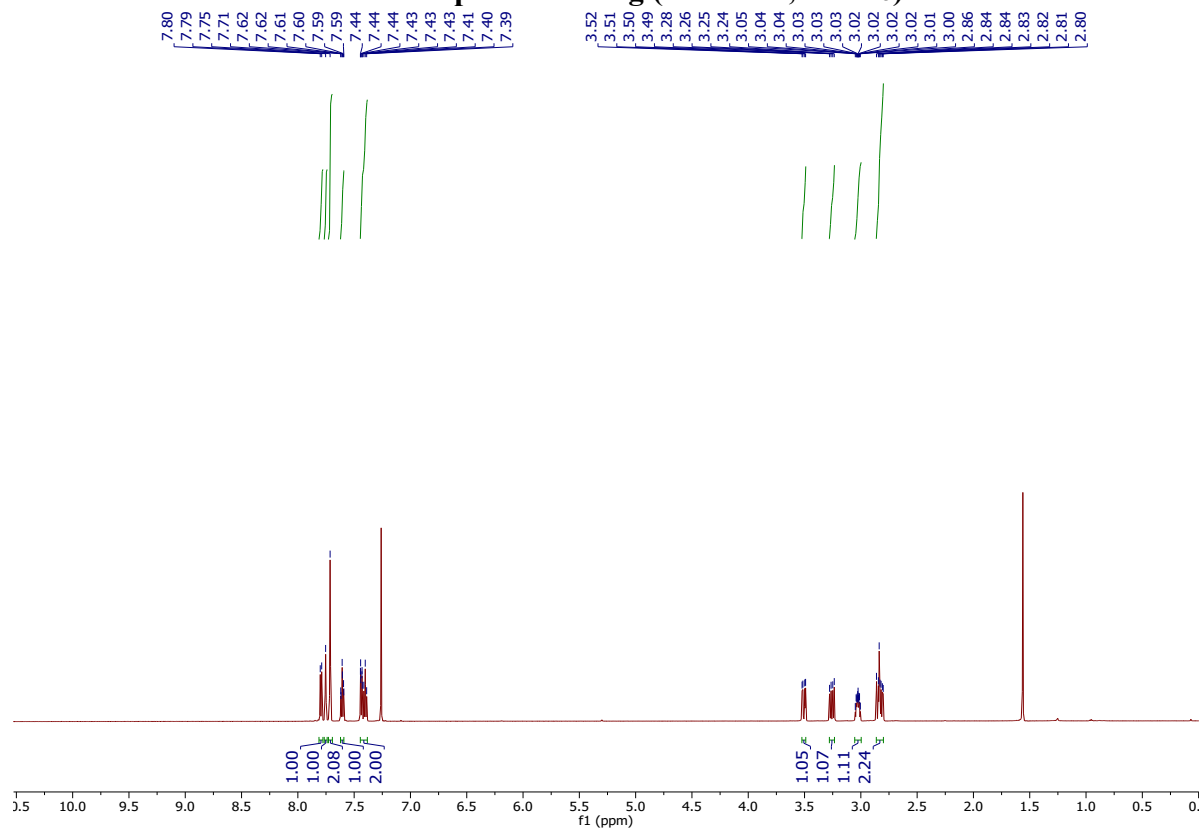


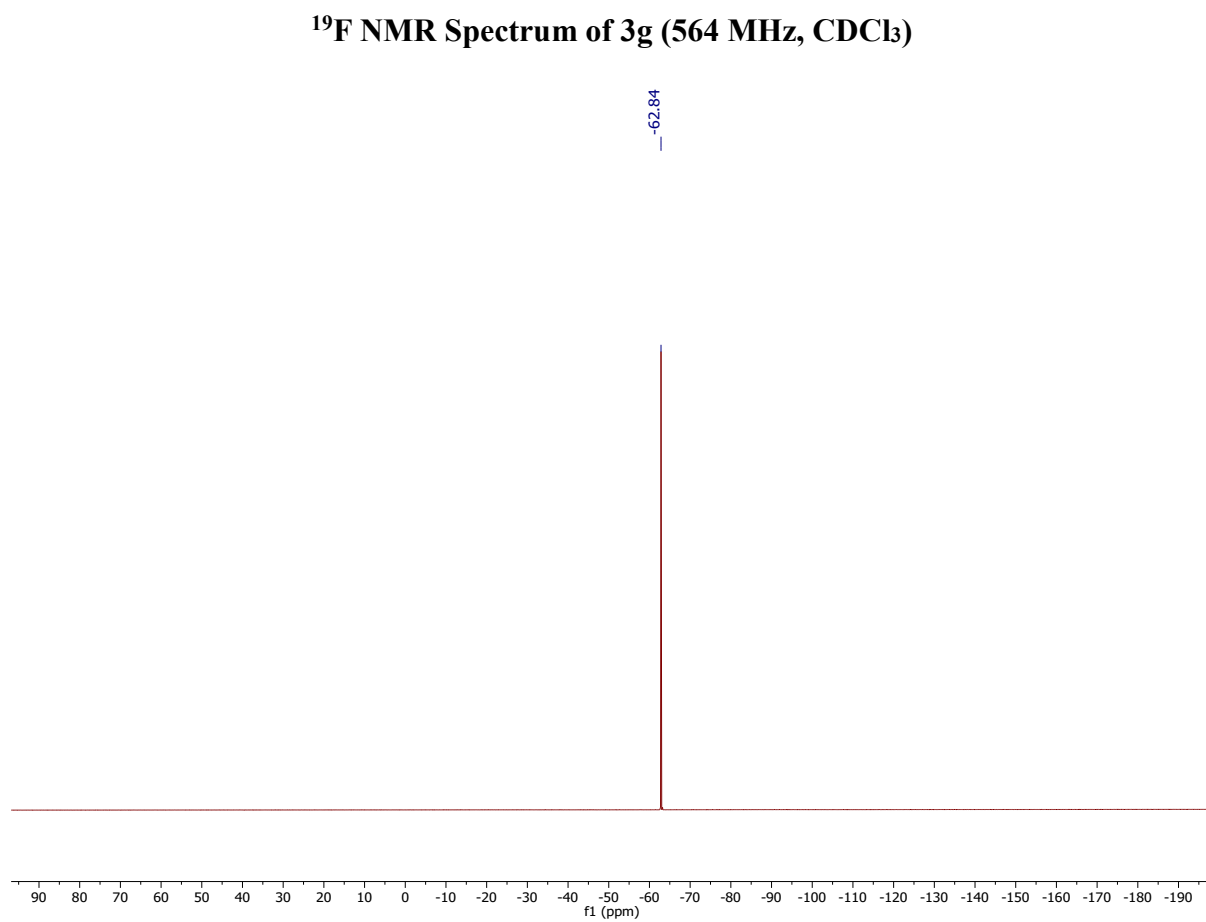
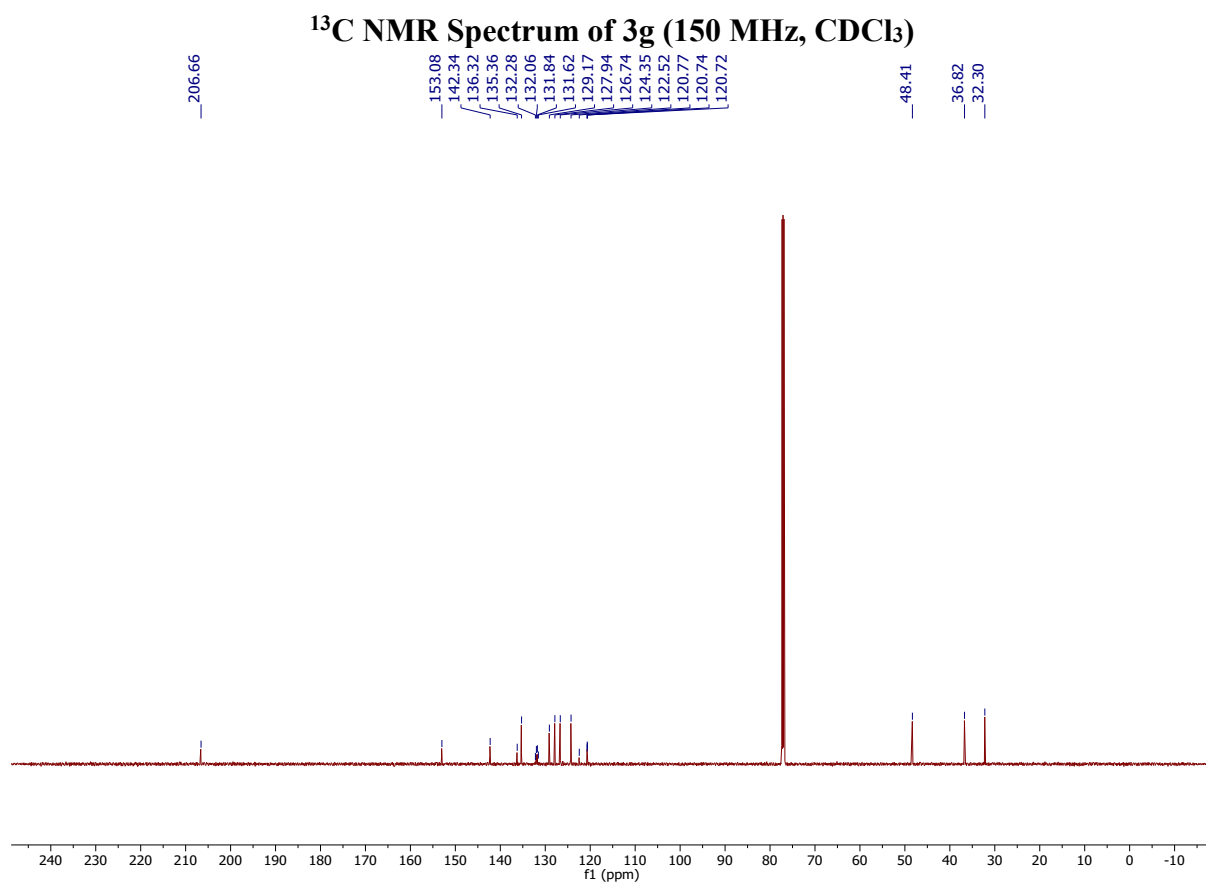


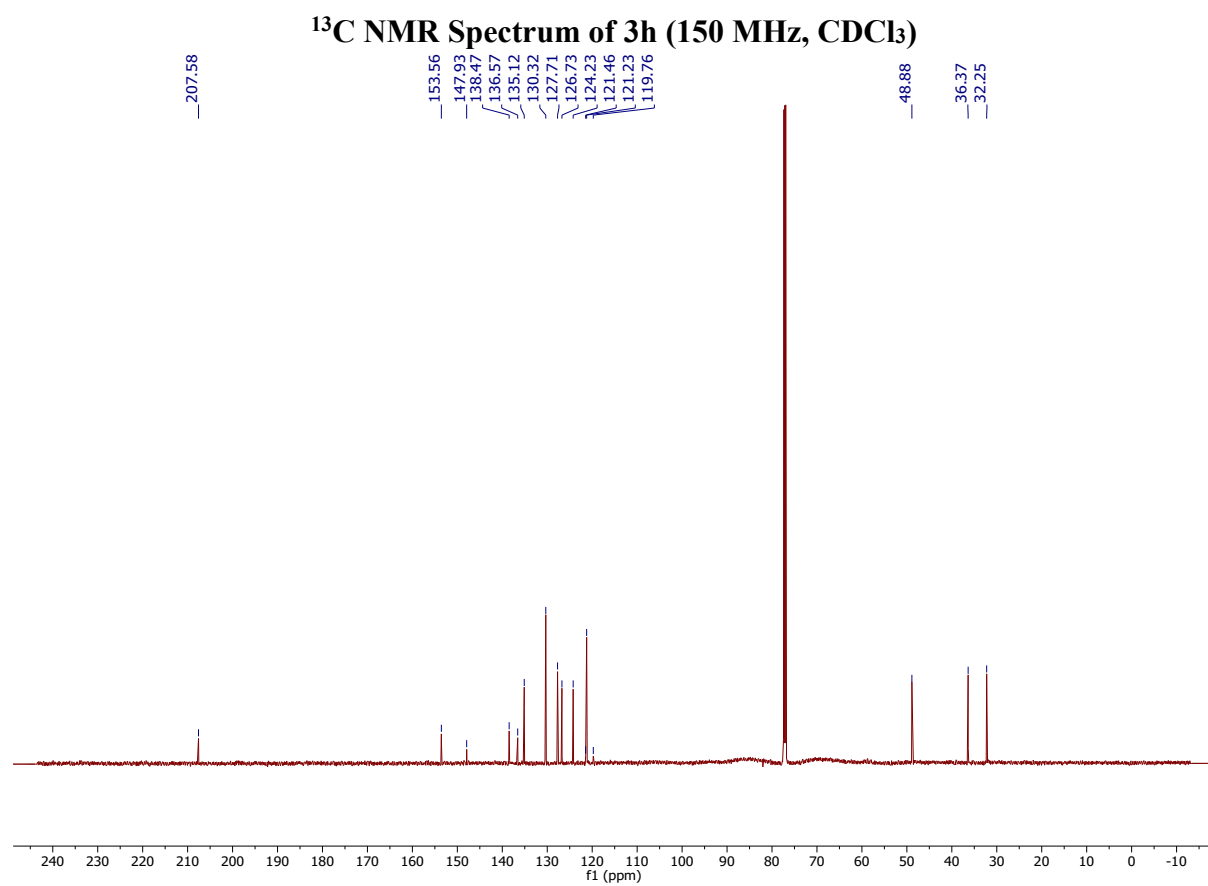
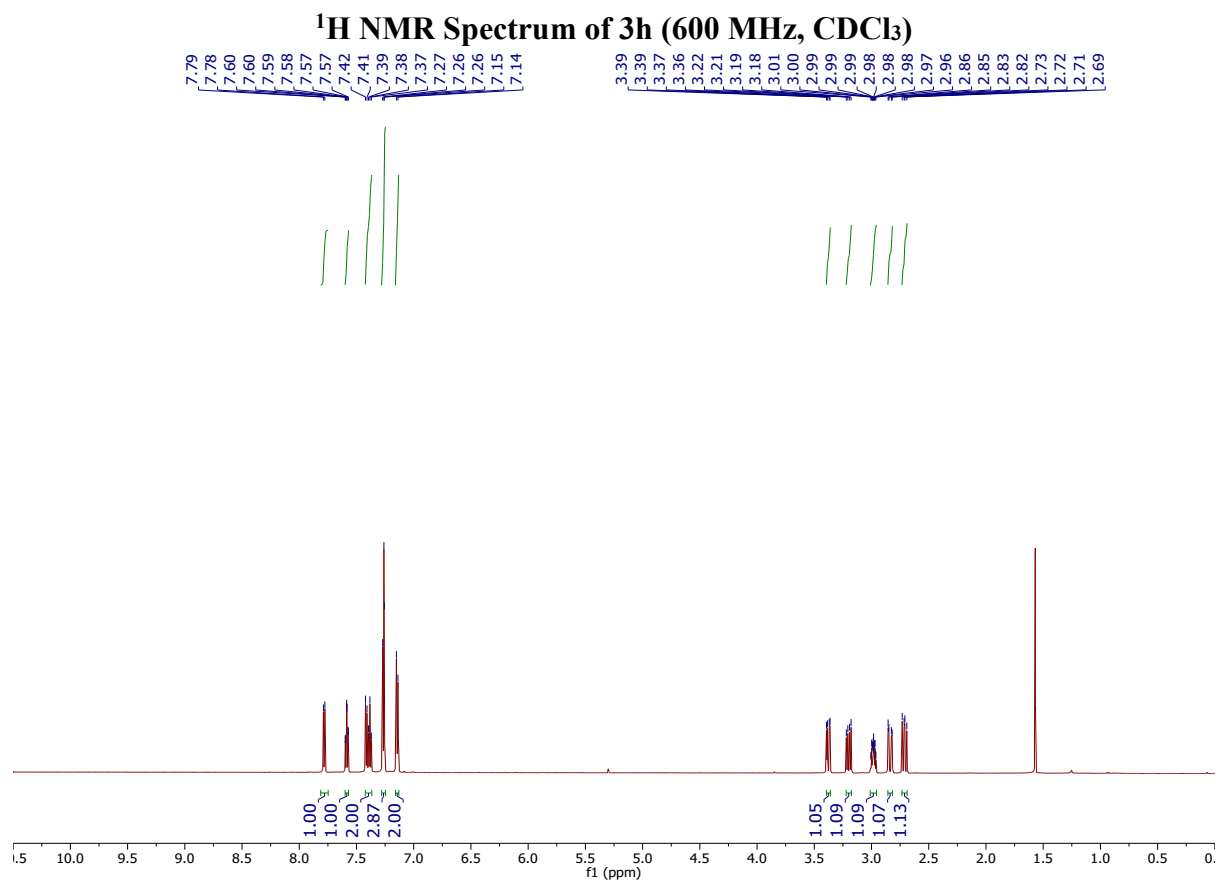
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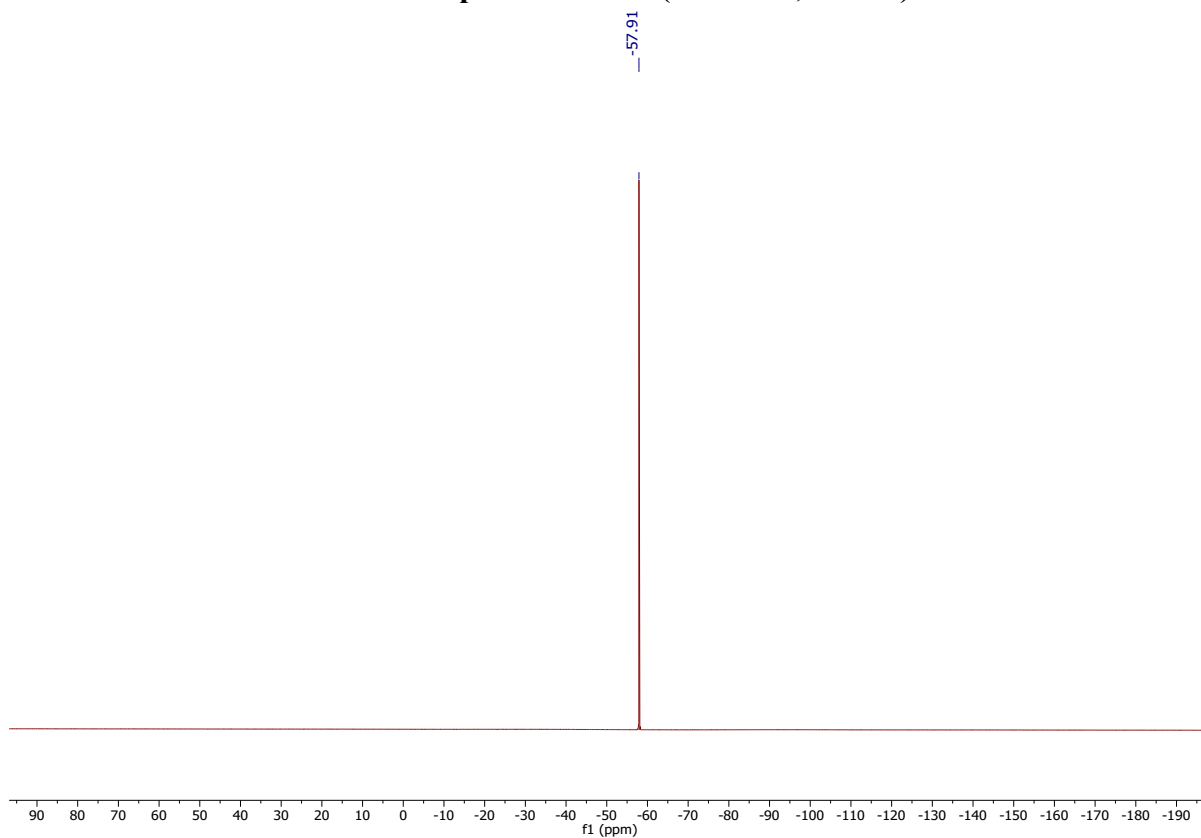
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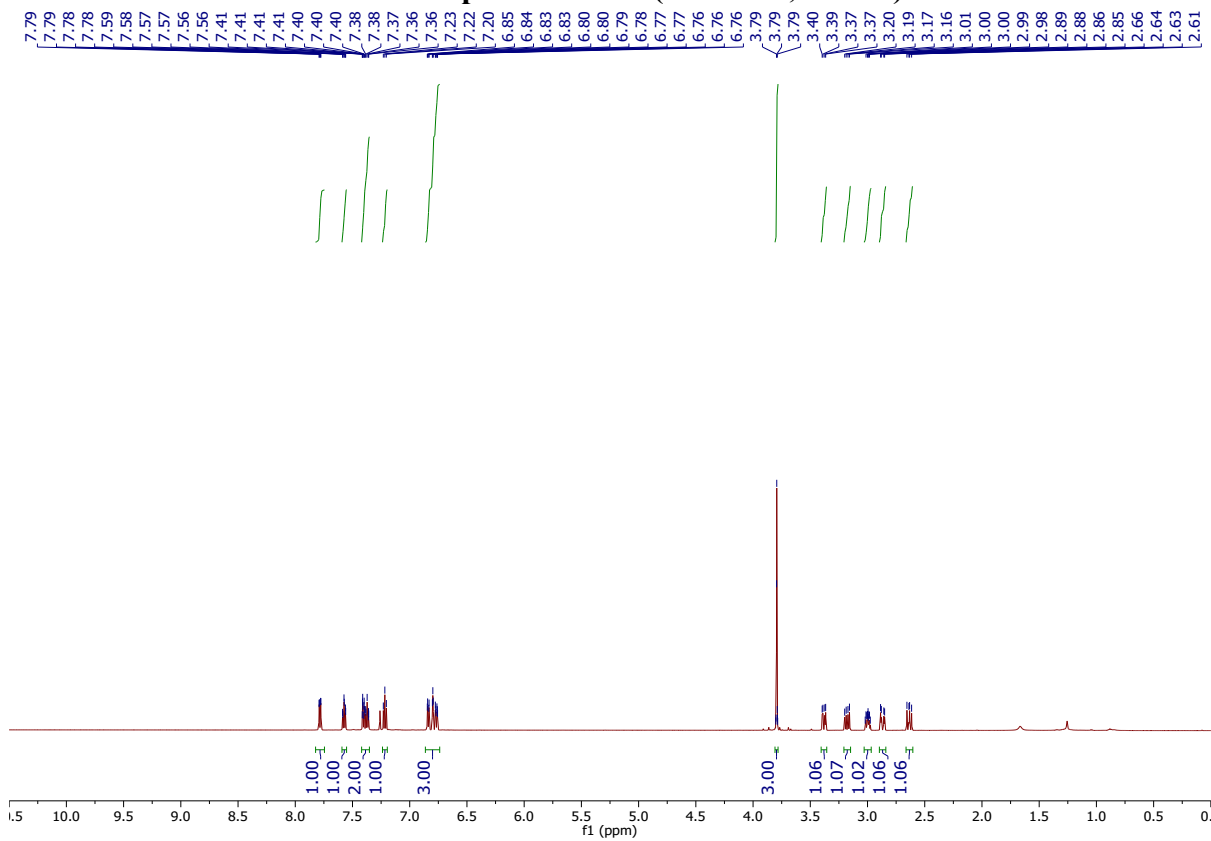




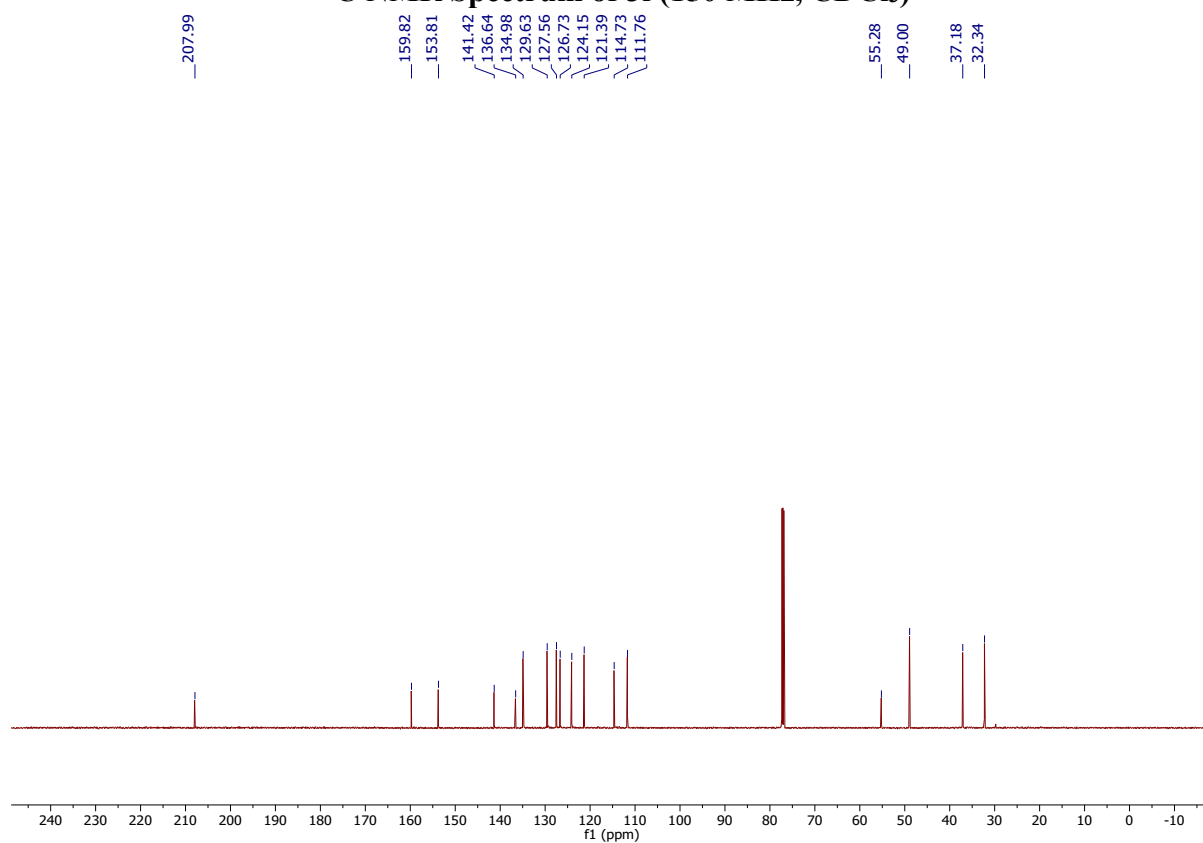
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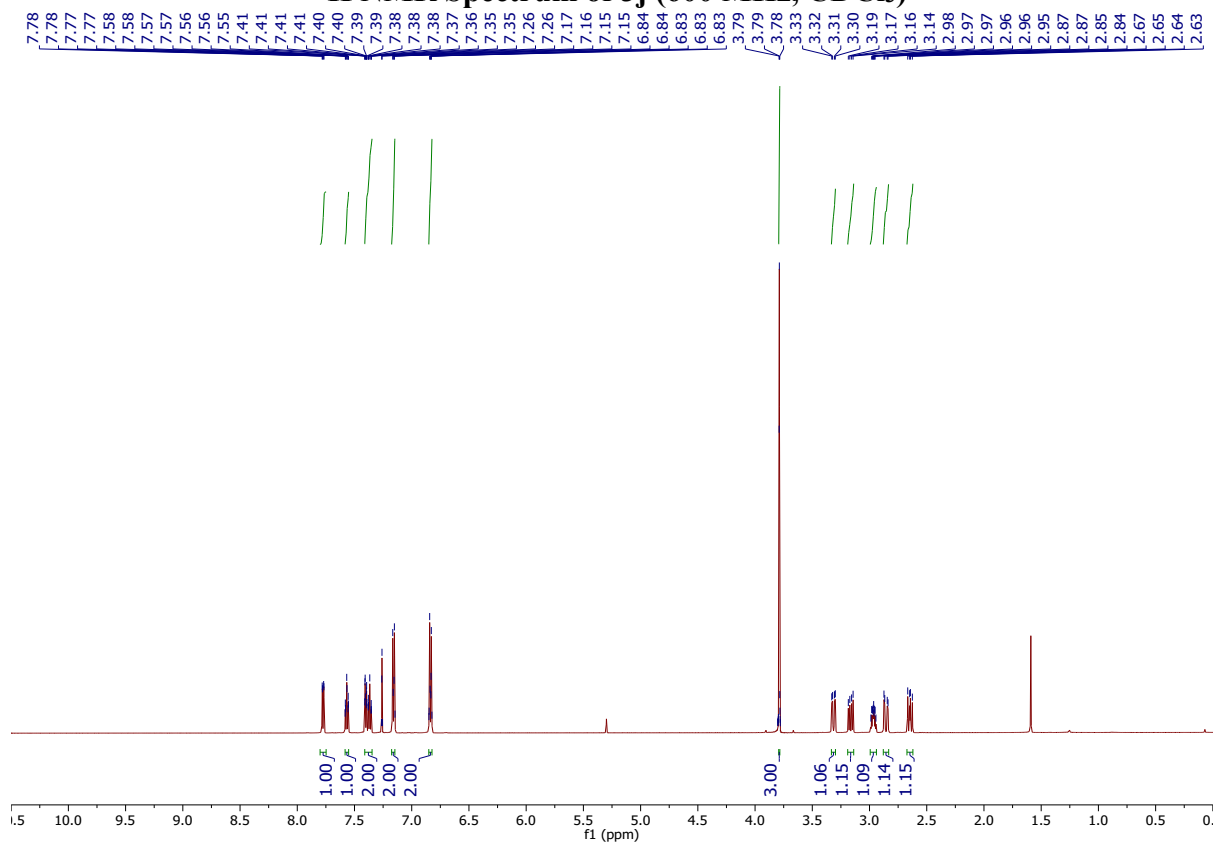
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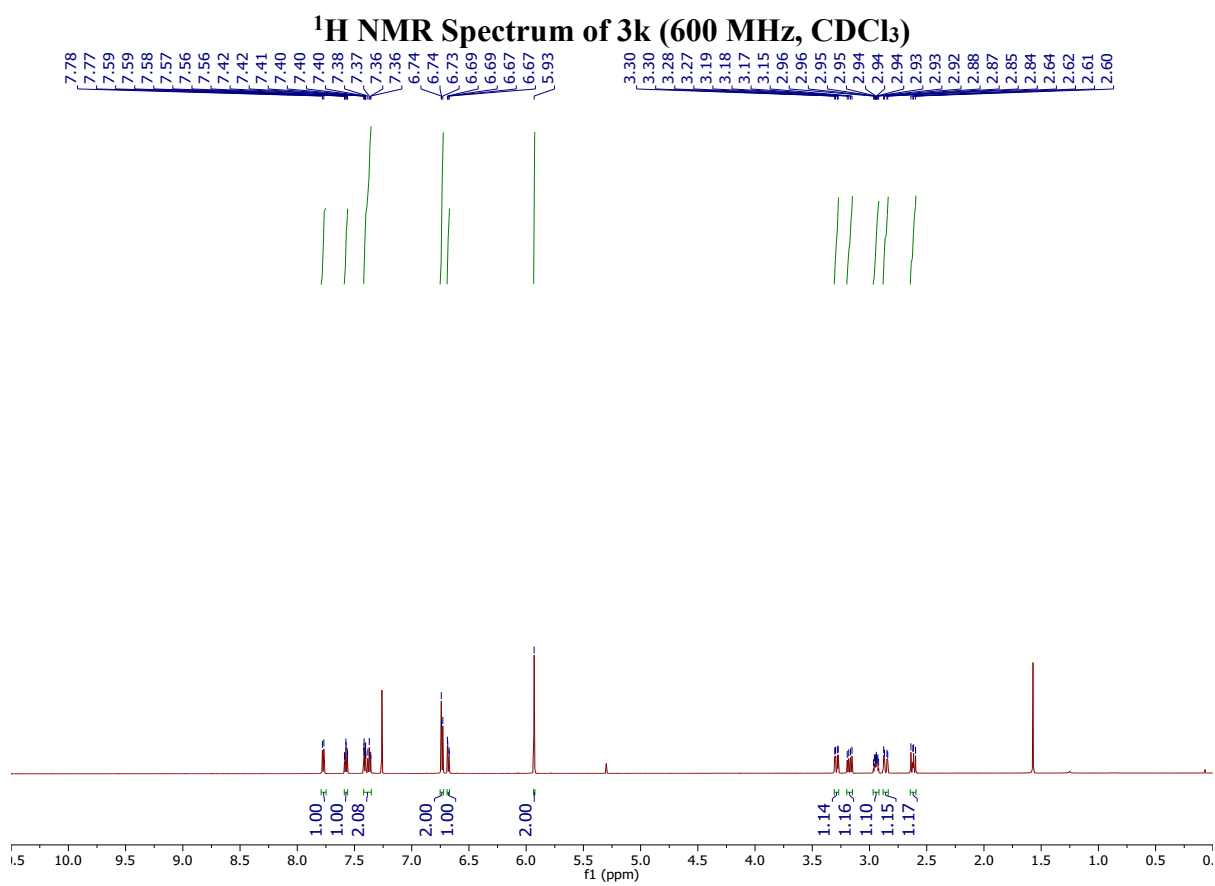
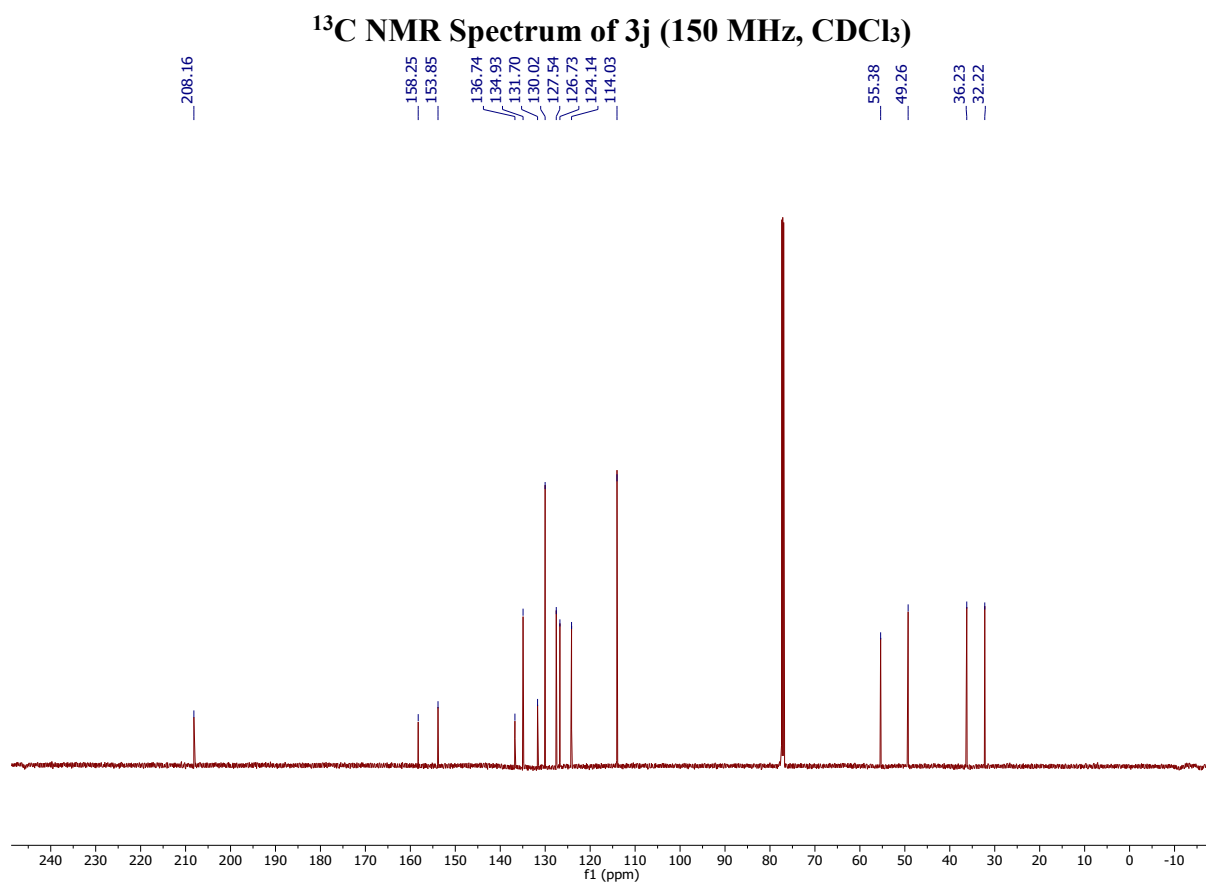


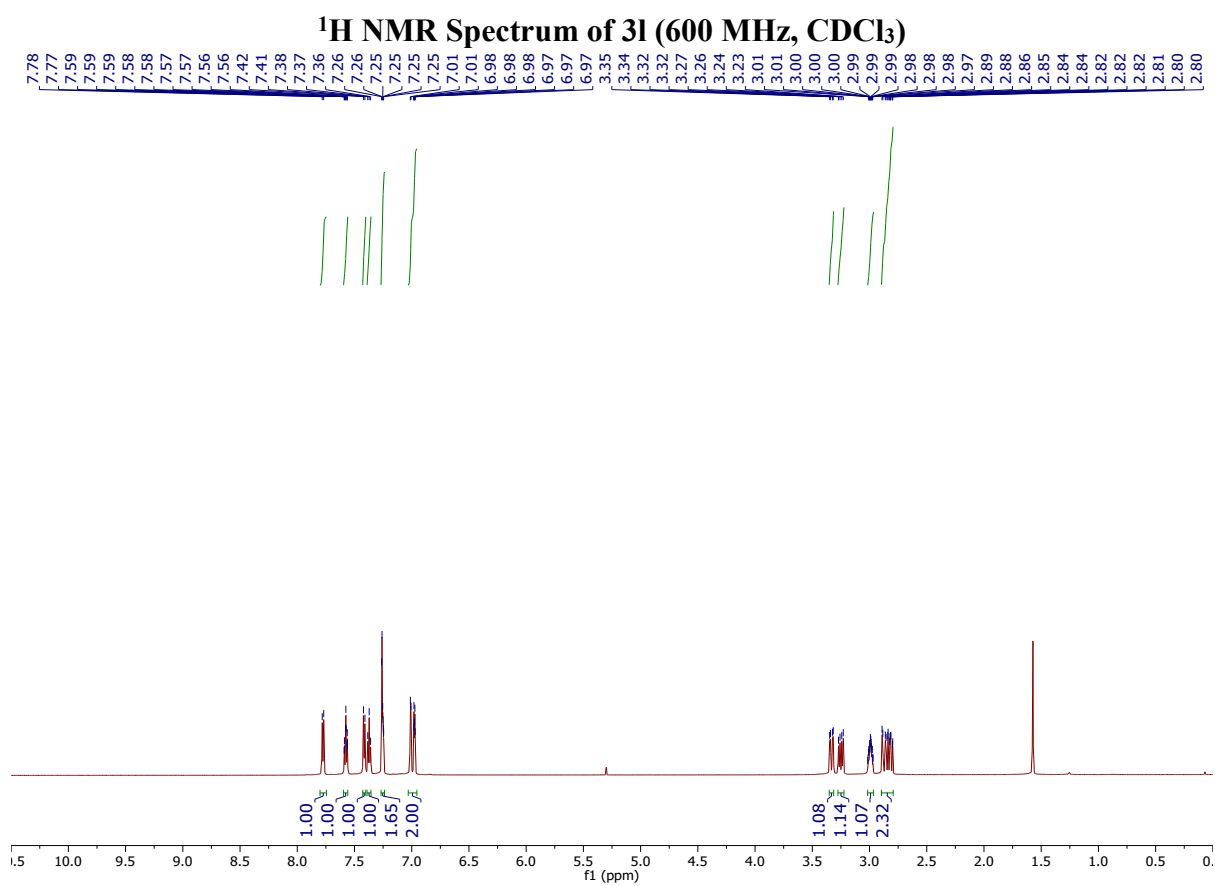
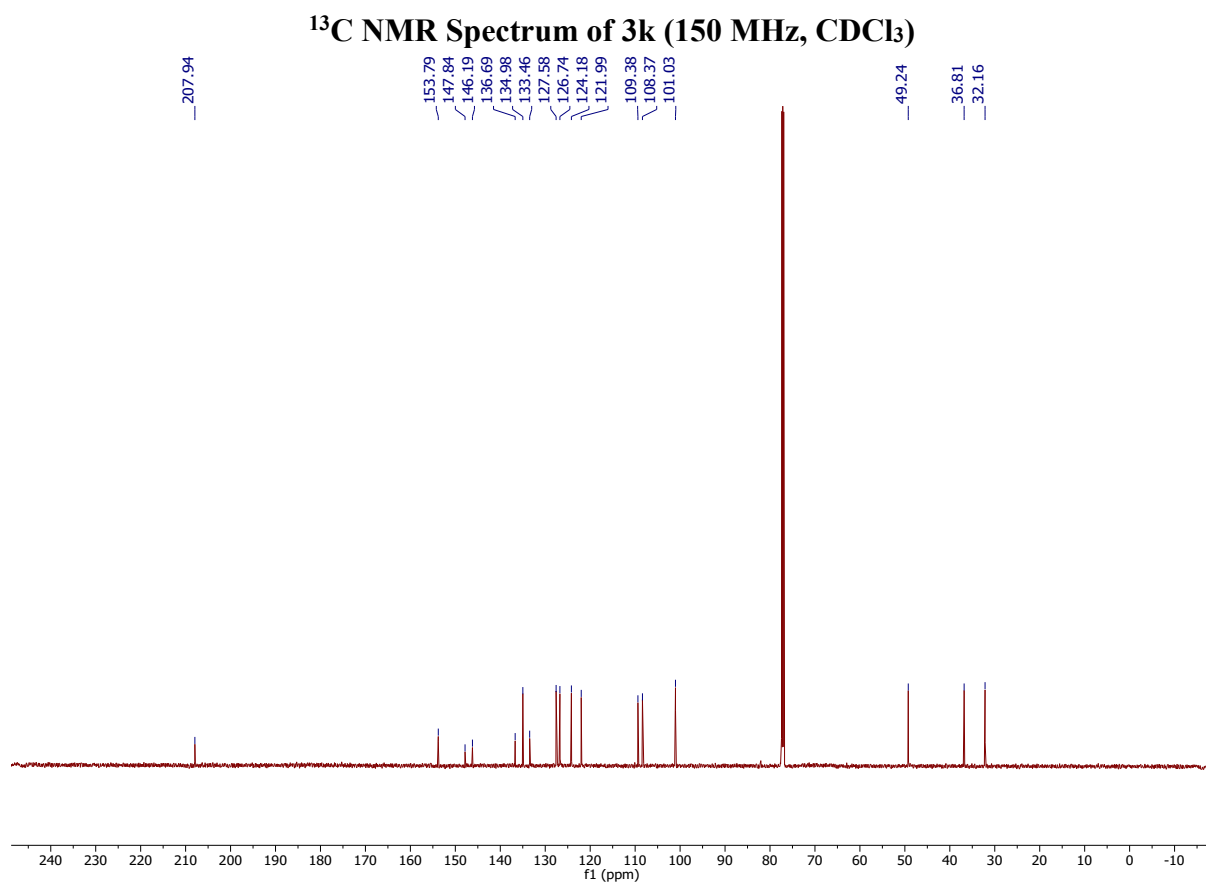
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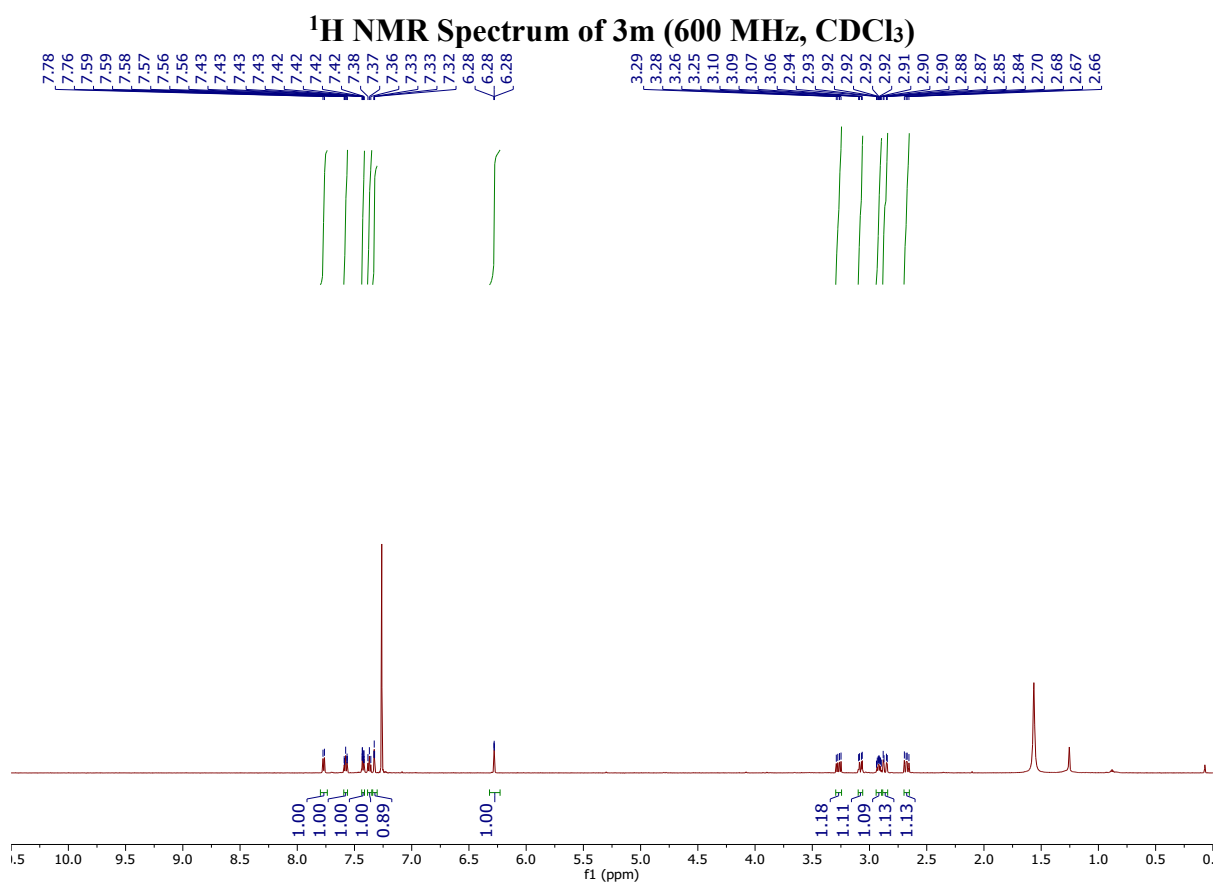
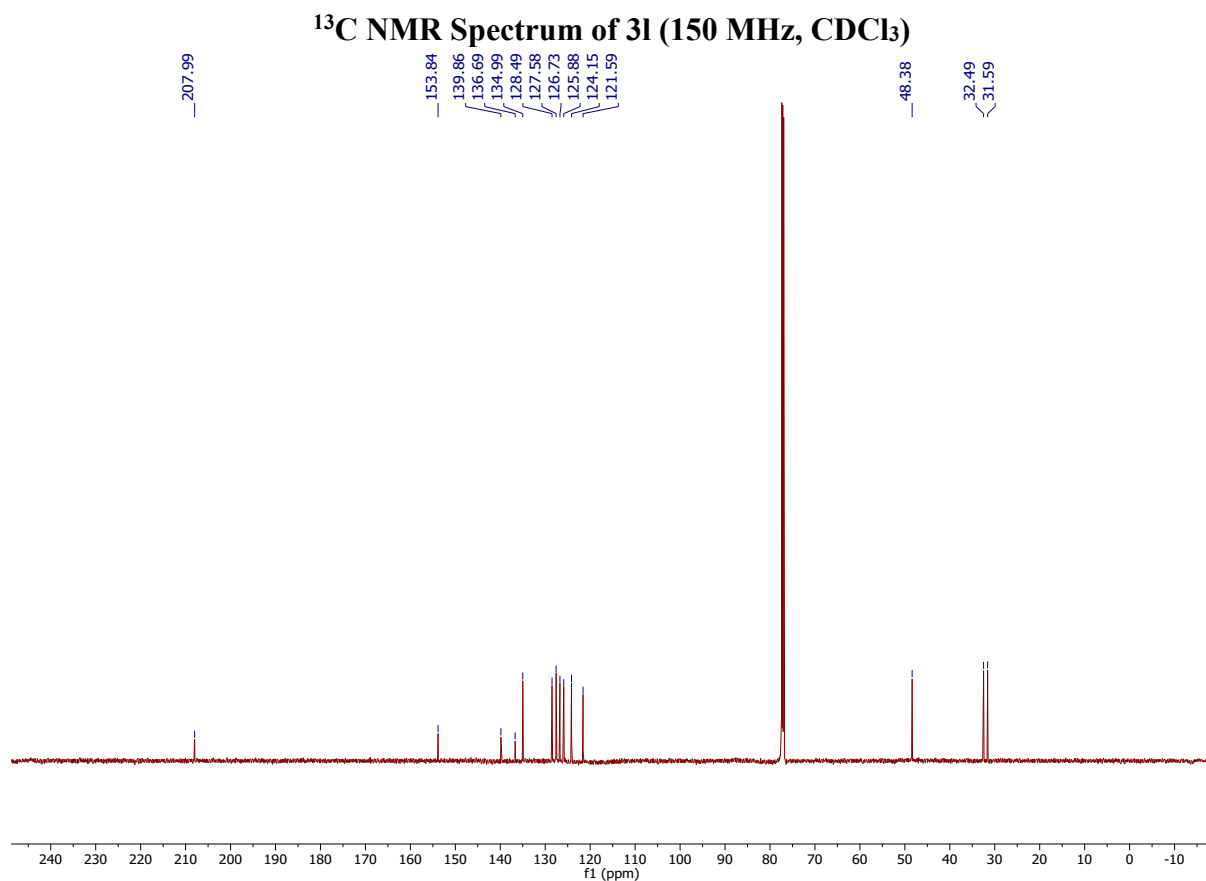


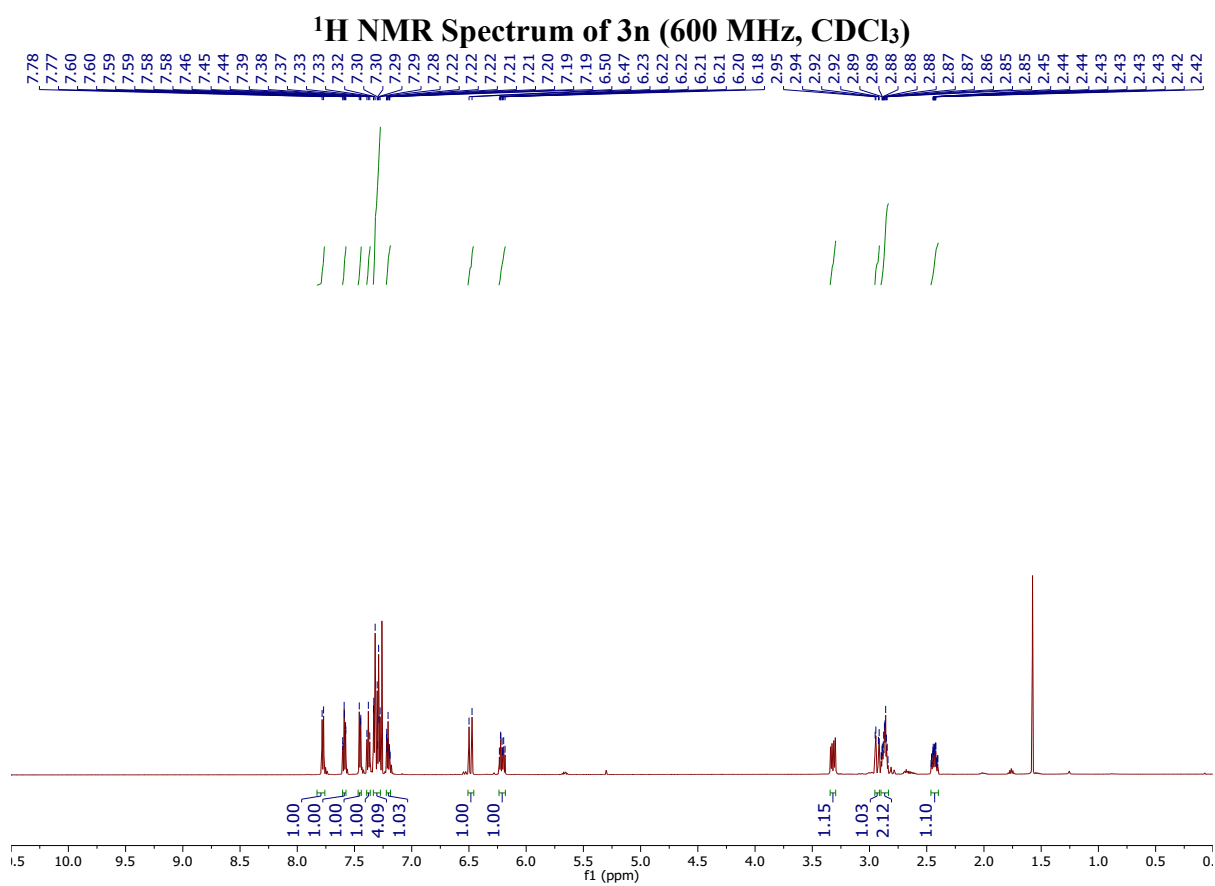
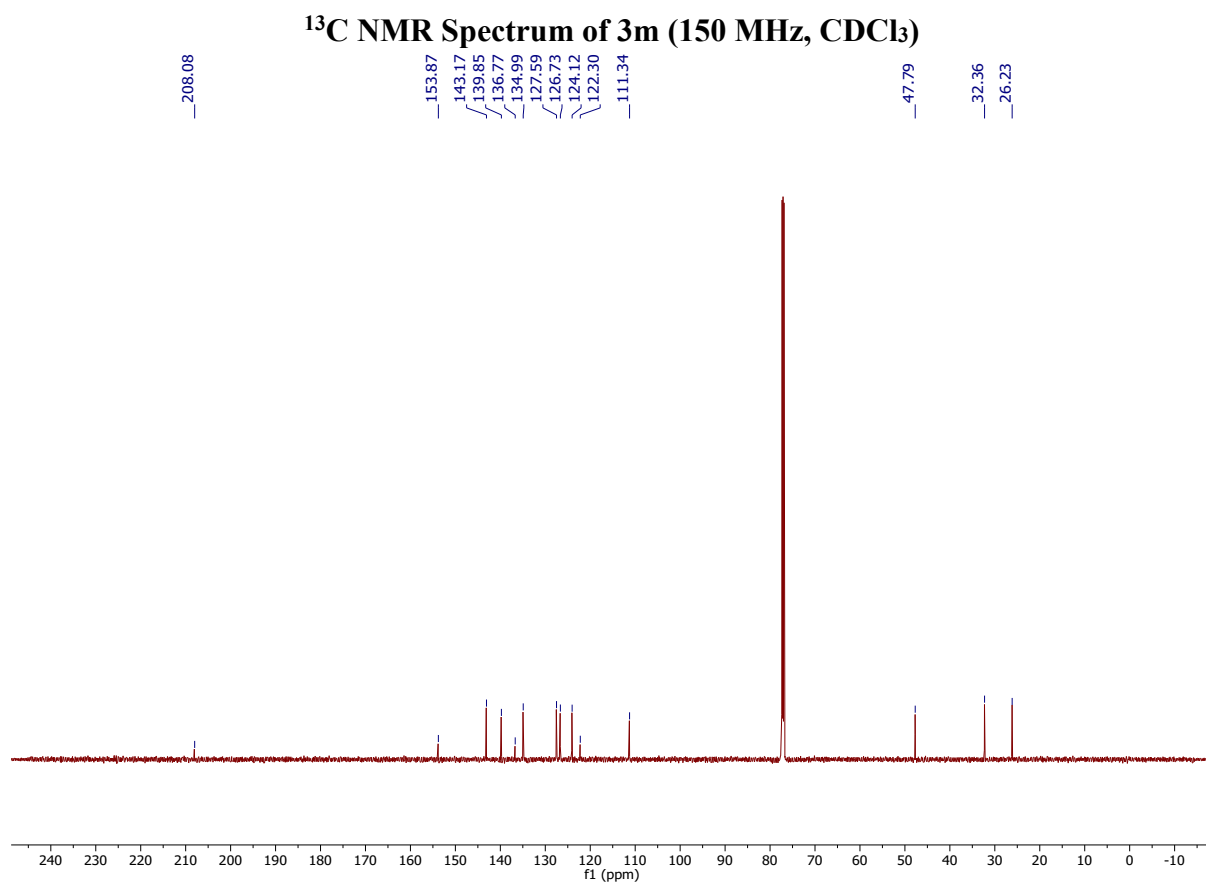
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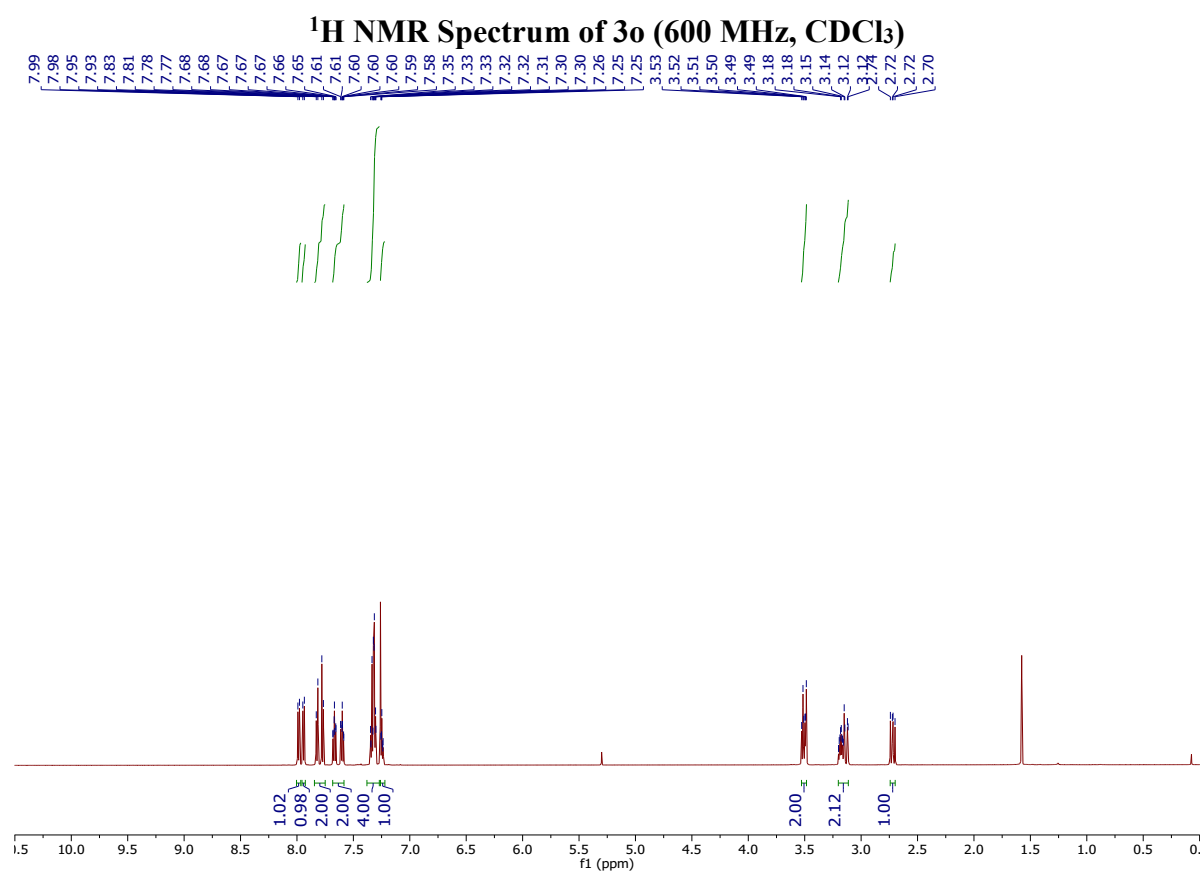
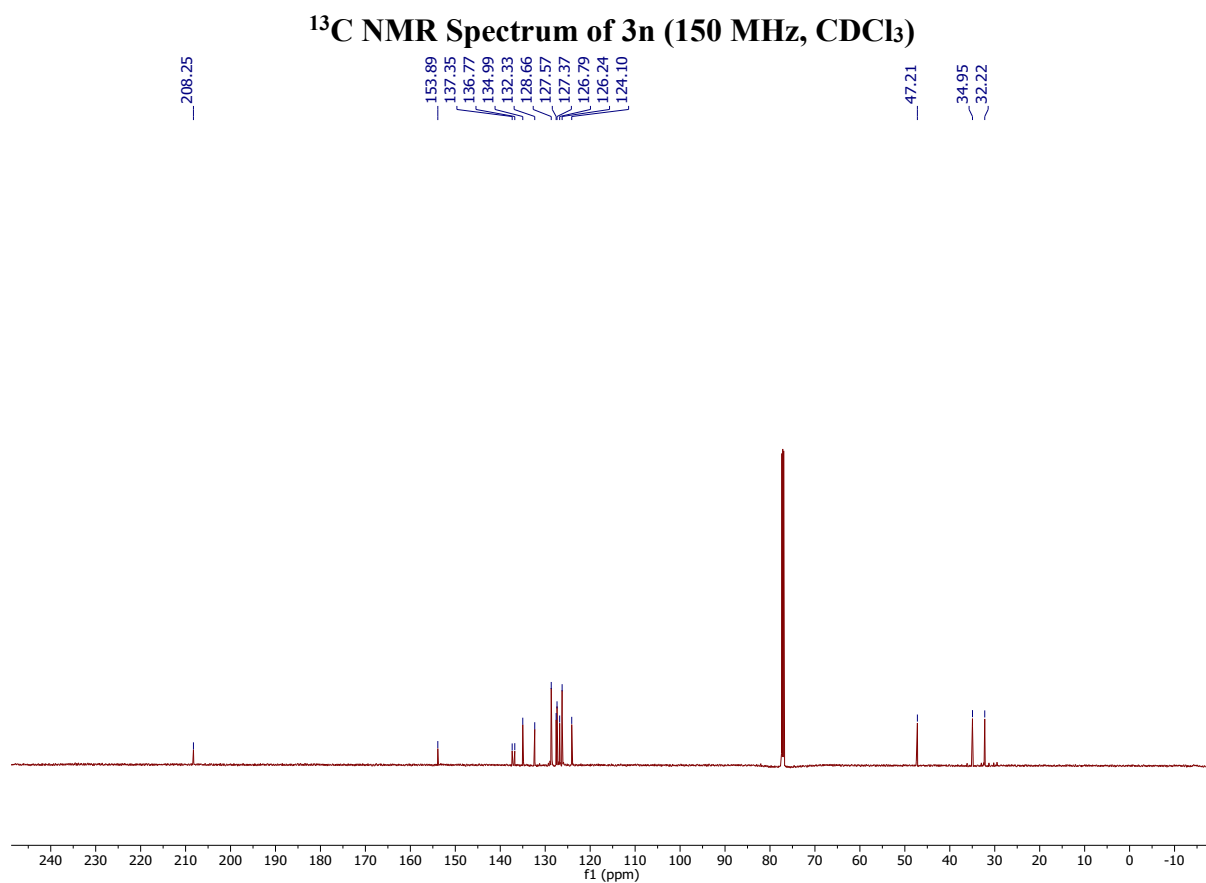


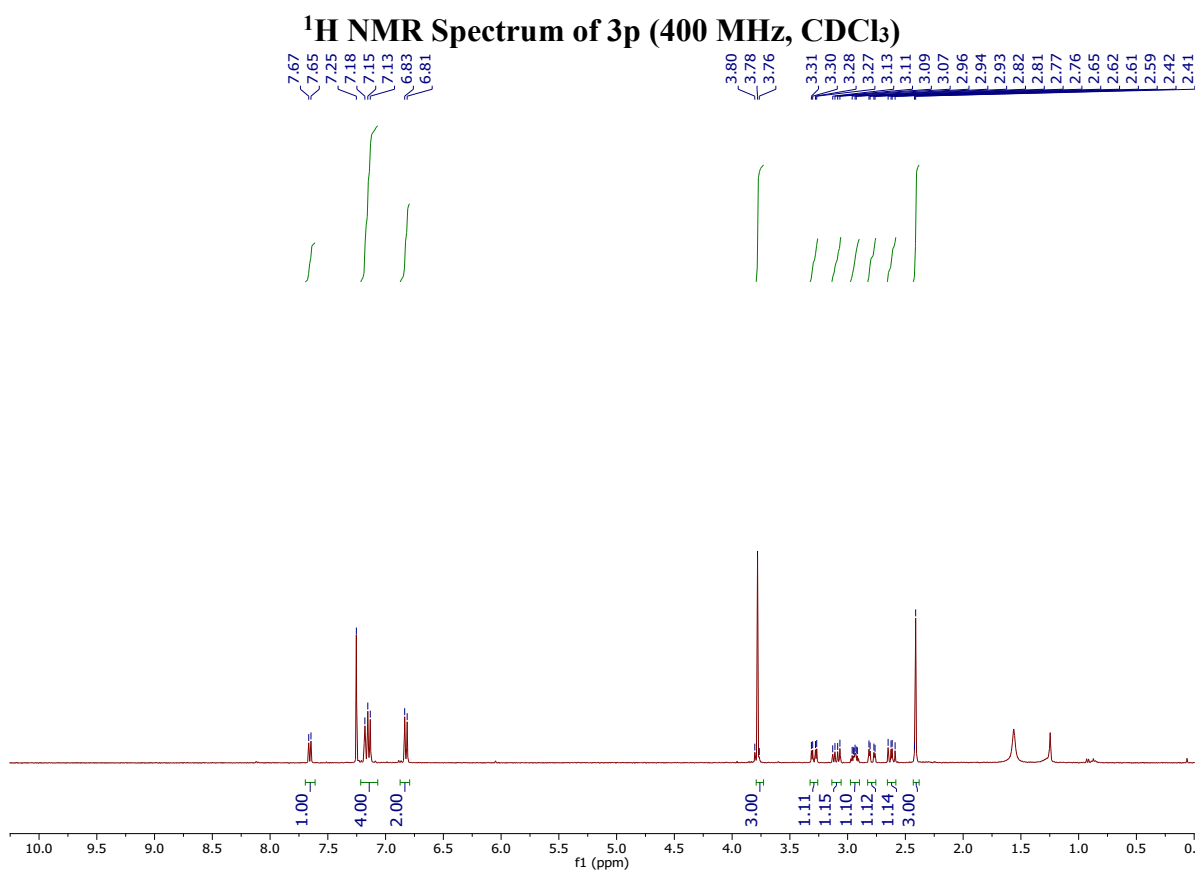
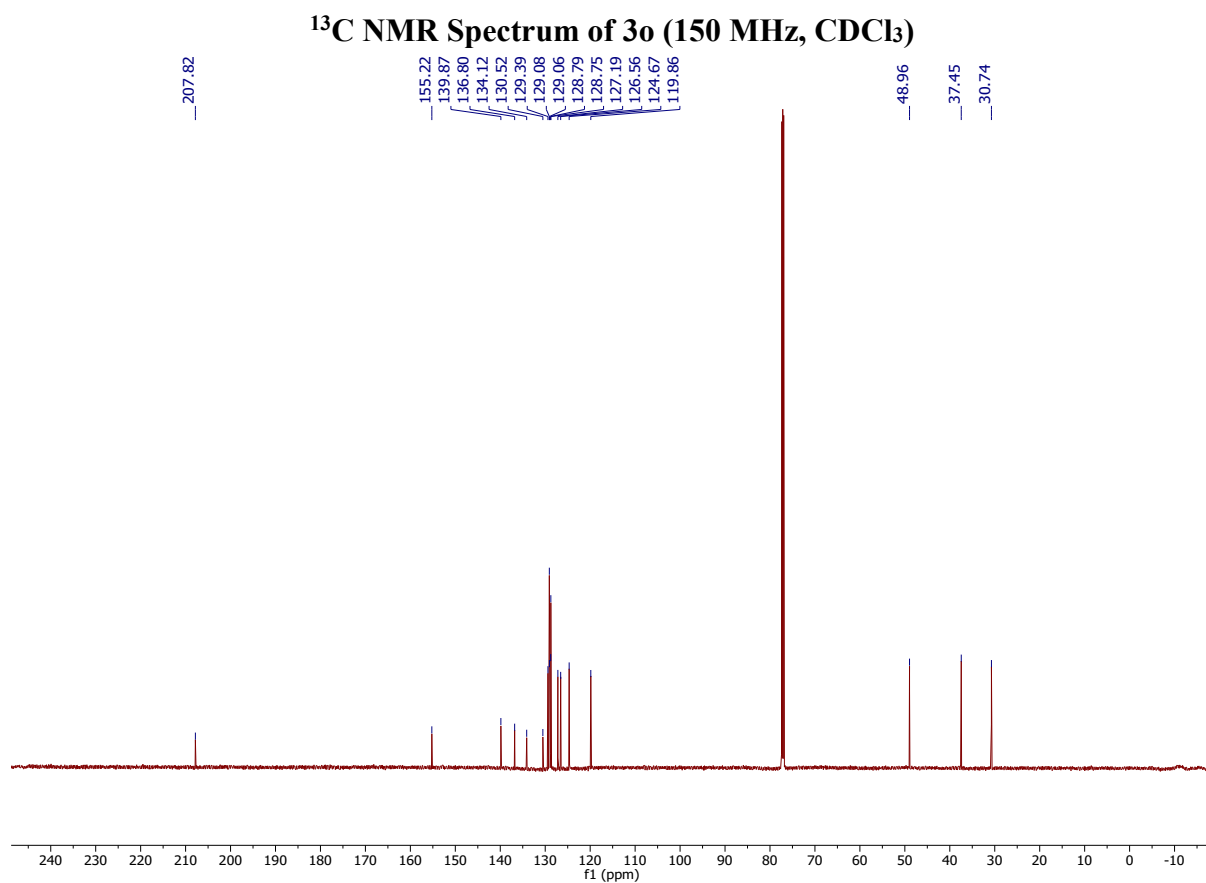


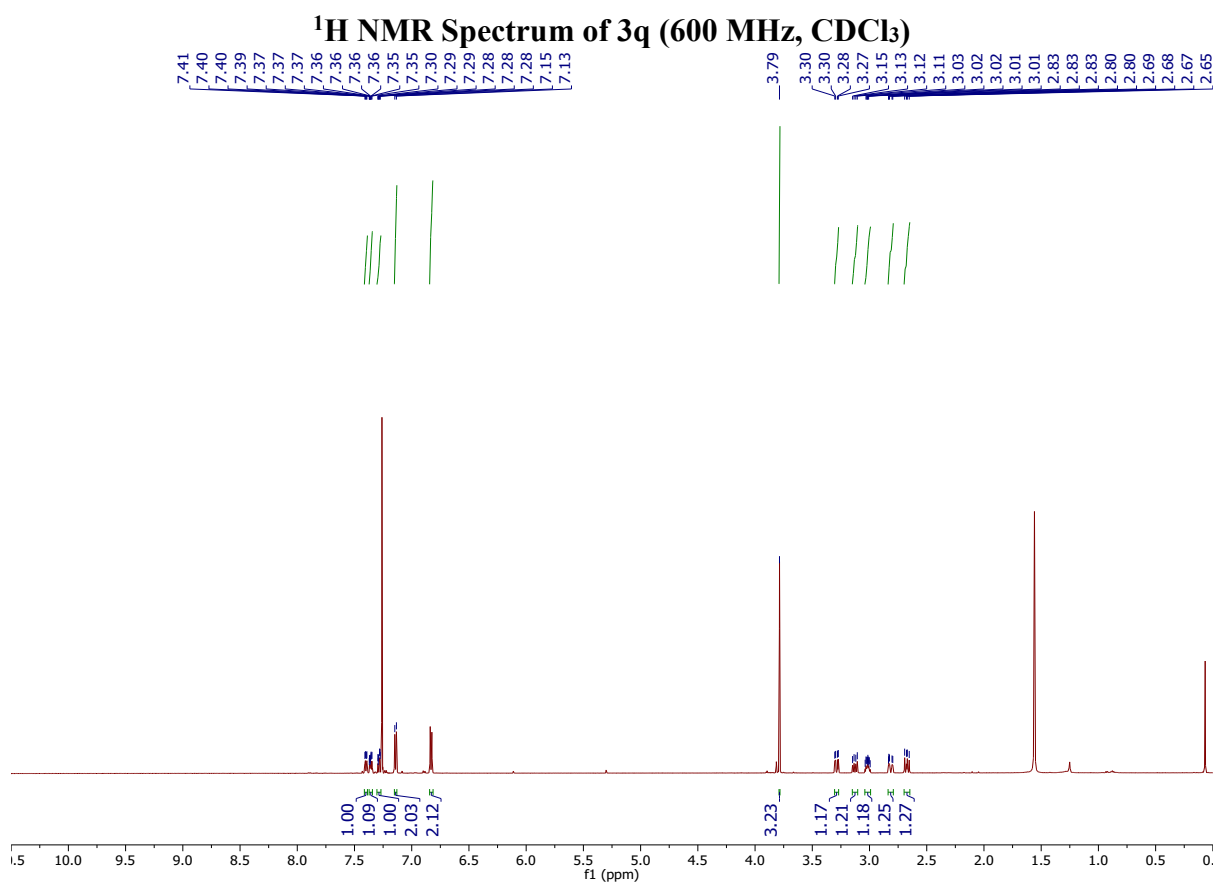
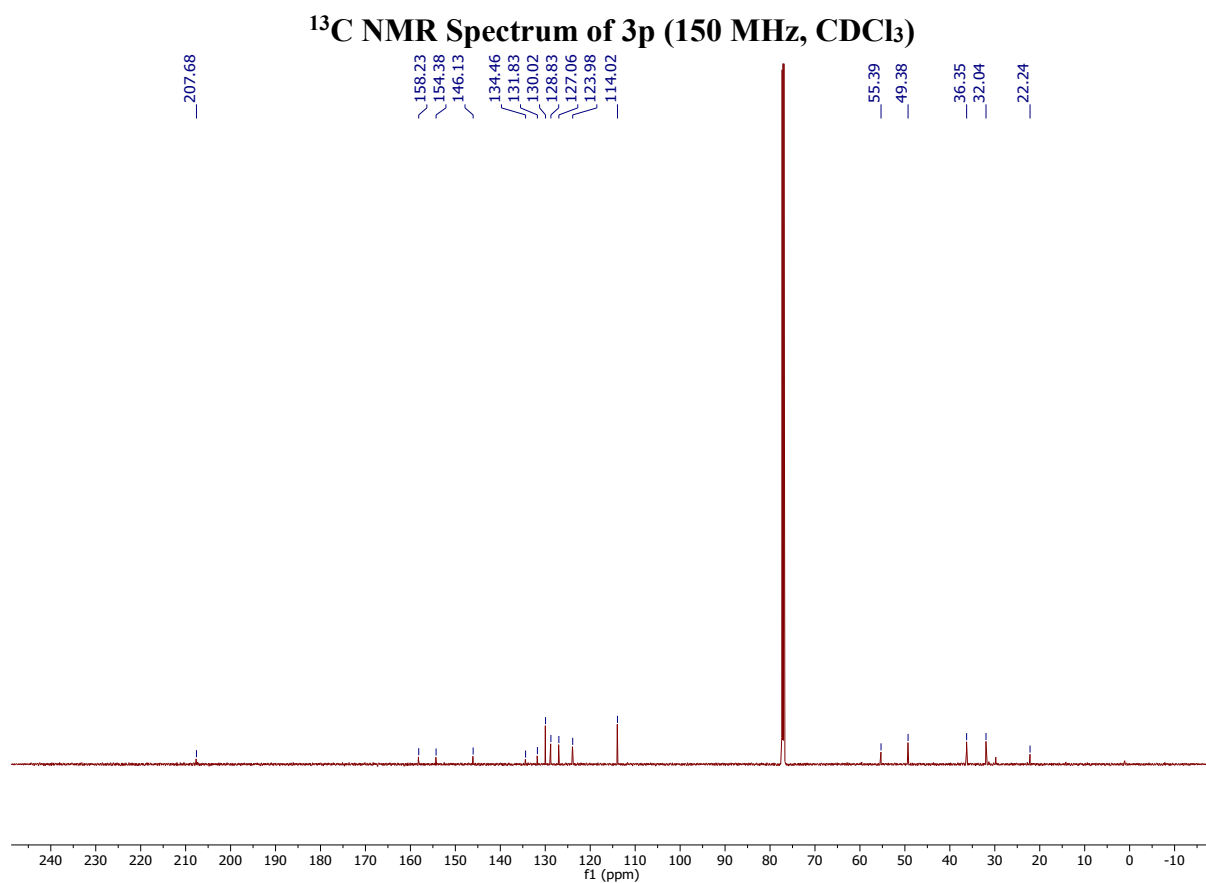




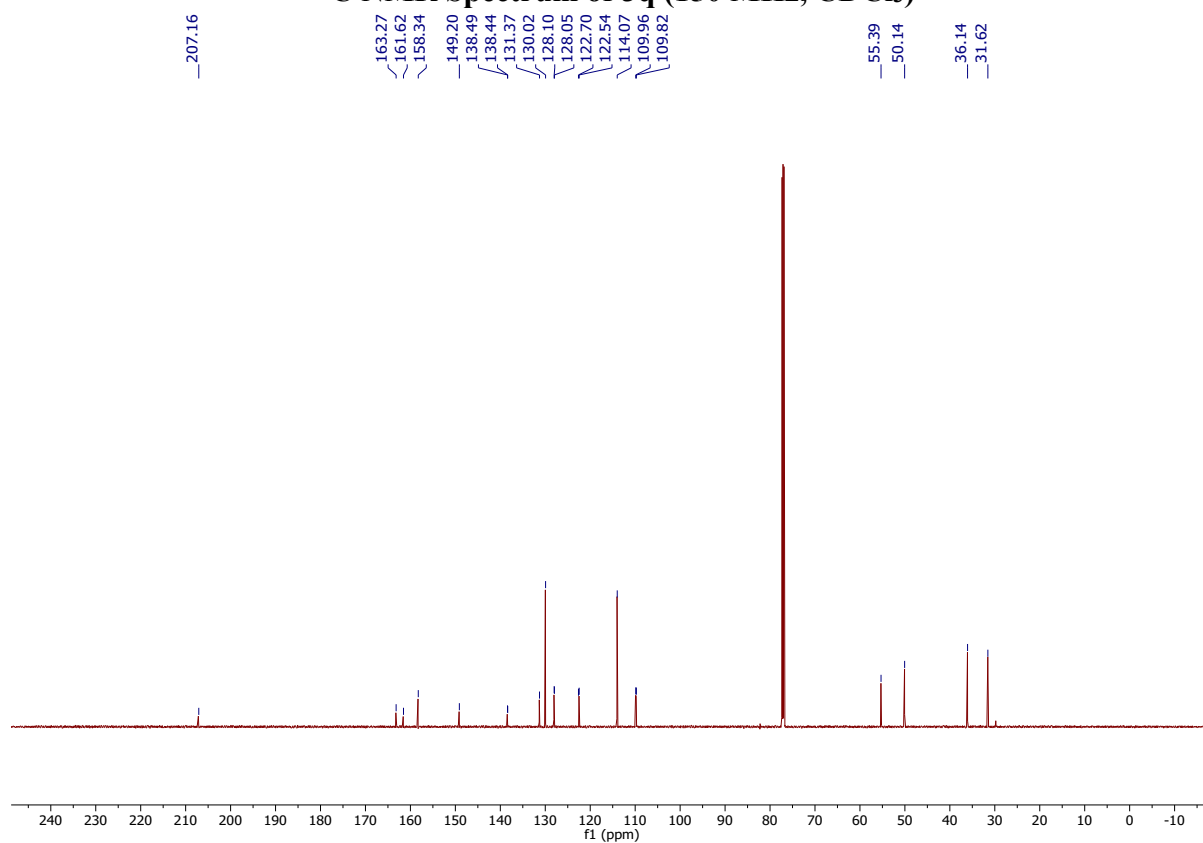








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^{19}F NMR Spectrum of 3q (564 MHz, CDCl_3)

