

Supporting information

Iridium(I)-Catalyzed Hydration/Esterification of 2-Alkynylphenols and Carboxylic Acids

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1. General Information

The reaction temperatures are reported corresponding to the oil bath temperature. Reactions were monitored by thin layer chromatography (TLC) using silicycle pre-coated silica gel plates. Column chromatography was performed over silica gel (200–300mesh).

Melting points were measured with X–4 micro melting point apparatus.

HRMS were performed on Waters GCT premier time of flight mass spectrometer (EI) or Agilent Technologies 6224 TOF LC/MS apparatus (ESI).

^1H NMR spectra and ^{13}C NMR spectra were recorded on a *Bruker AV-600* spectrometer or a *WNMR-I-400* spectrometer in chloroform-*d* (contain internal TMS). Chemical shifts of ^1H NMR spectra were reported in ppm with the internal TMS signal at 0 ppm as a standard, and chemical shifts of ^{13}C NMR spectra were reported in ppm with the chloroform signal at 77.16 ppm as a standard.¹ The data is being reported as (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, dd = double doublet, dt = double of triplet, m = multiplet or unresolved, br = broad singlet, coupling constant(s) in Hz, integration).

Chloro(1,5-cyclooctadiene)iridium(I) dimer ($[\text{Ir}(\text{cod})\text{Cl}]_2$, CAS: 12112-67-3, 98% purity) was purchased from Sinocompound Technology Co., Ltd.

Solvents, such as Ethyl acetate (EA), petroleum ether (PE), dichloromethane (DCM), *N,N*-dimethylformamide (DMF), tetrahydrofuran (THF), acetic acid (AcOH) and methanol (MeOH) were obtained commercially and used without further purification unless otherwise noted.

Anhydrous solvents were purified according to standard methods.²

2. Starting Materials

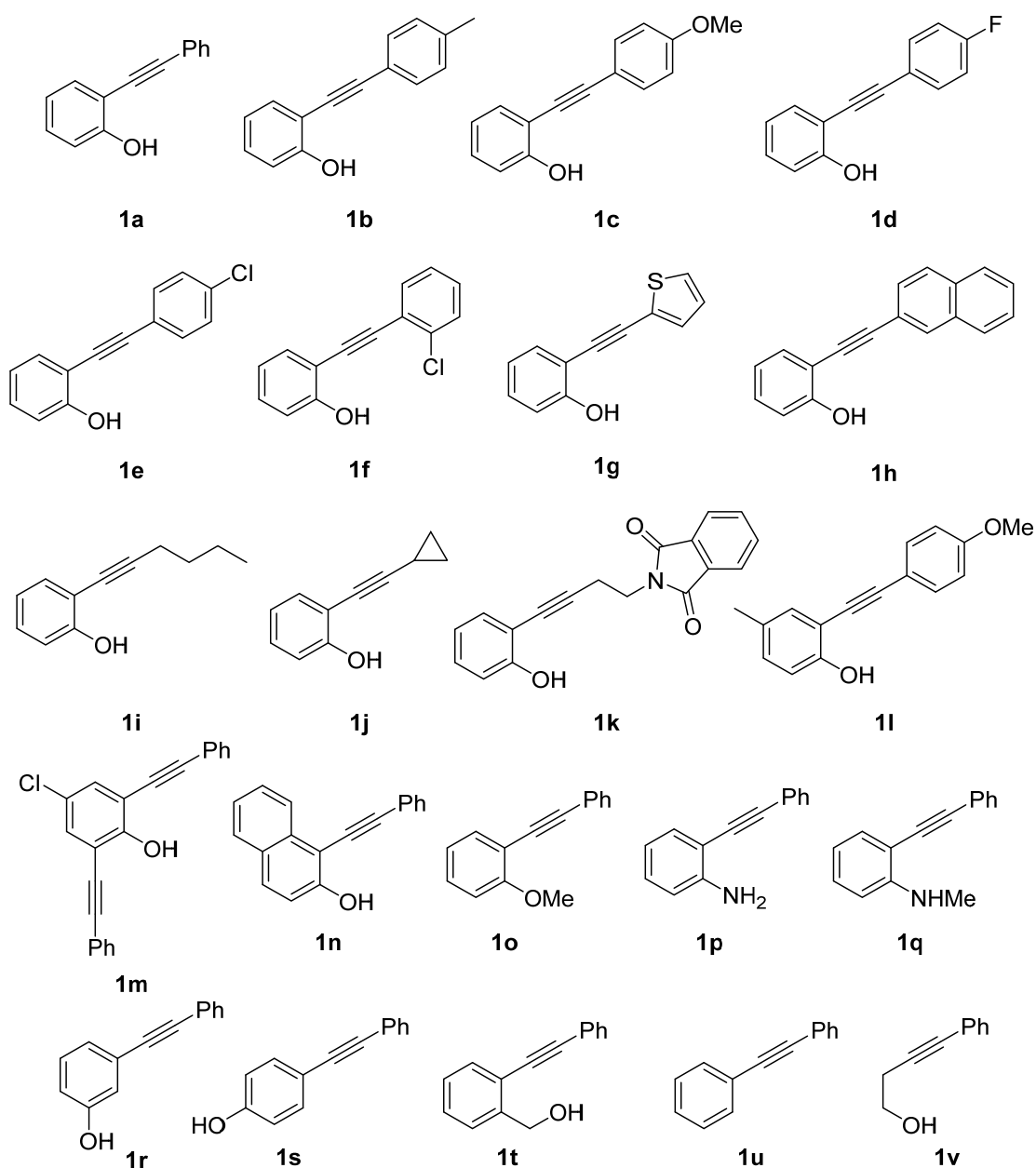
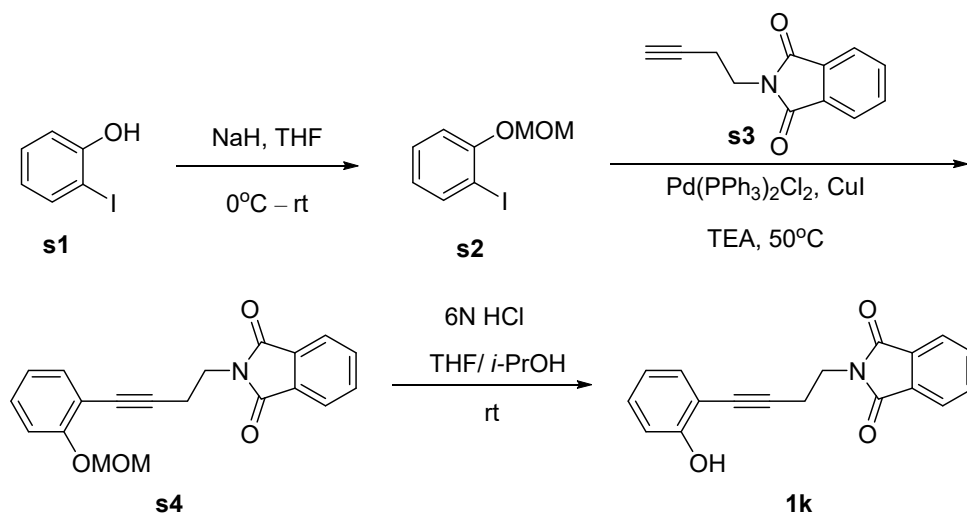


Figure S1. Alkynes

All starting alkynes were shown in **Figure S1**. Diphenyl acetylene **1u** was commercial available. Alkynes **1a- 1j**, **1l**, **1n-1t** and **iv** were prepared according to the literature.³⁻⁷

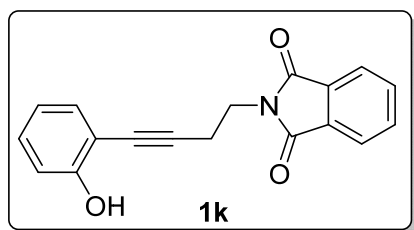
Alkyne **1k** was synthesized by the following procedure.



Scheme S1

Synthesis of *s2* and *s3*: Compounds *s2*⁴ and *s3*⁸ were prepared according to the literature.

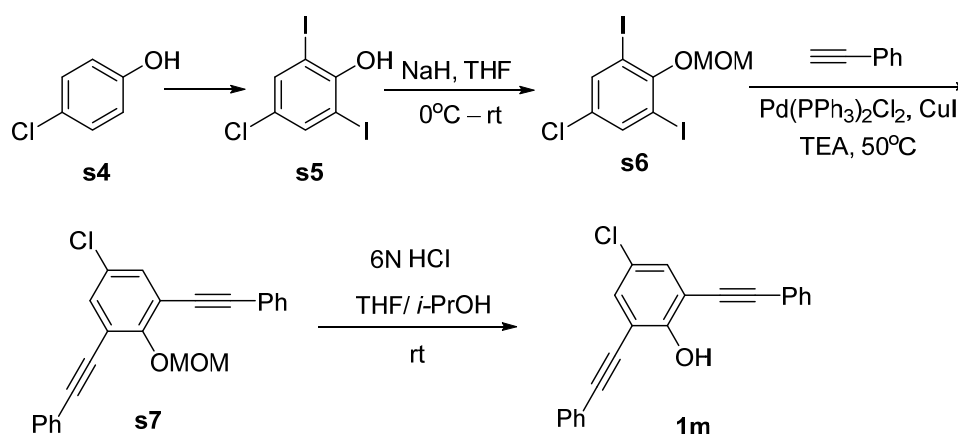
Synthesis of *1k*: To a mixture of *s2* (264 mg, 1 mmol), *s3* (220 mg, 1.1 mmol), Pd(PPh₃)₂Cl₂ (14 mg, 2 mol %) and CuI (4 mg, 2 mol %) was added dry trimethylamine (5 mL). The reaction was stirred at 50 °C for 2 h under argon atmosphere. The reaction was cooled to room temperature, ethyl acetate was added and the mixture was filtrated through a pad of celite. The filtrate was concentrated and purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA (V/V, 50/1) as eluent to afford *s4*; *s4* was dissolved in THF (2 mL) and isopropanol (2 mL), then 6N HCl (1 mL) was added and the reaction was stirred at room temperature for 24h. The reaction was extracted with Et₂O for 3 times, and the combined organic phase was washed by brine, dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, concentrated and further purified by silica gel chromatography using PE: EA = 50:1 as eluent to obtain compound *1k* as a white solid.



2-(4-(2-hydroxyphenyl)but-3-yn-1-yl)isoindoline-1,3-dione

^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.91 – 7.87 (m, 2H), 7.75 – 7.71 (m, 2H), 7.24 – 7.16 (m, 2H), 6.92 (dd, $J_1 = 7.8$ Hz, $J_1 = 0.6$ Hz, 1H), 6.82 – 6.76 (m, 1H), 6.36 (s, 1H), 4.03 (t, $J = 6.0$ Hz, 2H), 2.88 (t, $J = 6.0$ Hz, 2H). **^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3)** δ 168.87, 157.40, 134.42, 132.00, 131.88, 130.10, 123.73, 120.09, 115.28, 109.59, 93.17, 77.06, 37.03, 20.34. **MS (m/z):** 292 ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$.

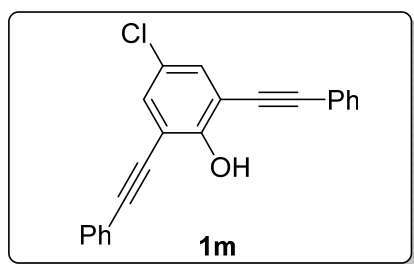
Alkyne **1m** was synthesized by the following procedure.



Scheme S2

Synthesis of **s6:** Compound **s6** was prepared by a modified procedure according to the literature.^{4,9}

Synthesis of **1m:** To a mixture of **s6** (264 mg, 1 mmol), phenylacetylene (208 mg, 2.2 mmol), $\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2$ (14 mg, 2 mol %) and CuI (4 mg, 2 mol %) was added dry trimethylamine (5 mL). Then the reaction was stirred at 50 °C for 2h under argon atmosphere. The reaction was cooled to room temperature, ethyl acetate was added and the mixture was filtrated through a pad of celite. The filtrate was concentrated and purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA (V/V, 50/1) as eluent to afford **s7**; **s7** was dissolved in THF (2 mL) and isopropanol (2 mL), then 6N HCl (1 mL) was added and the reaction was stirred at room temperature for 24h. The reaction was extracted with Et_2O for 3 times, and the combined organic phase was washed by brine, dried over anhydrous Na_2SO_4 , concentrated and further purified by silica gel chromatography using PE: EA = 50:1 as eluent to obtain compound **1m** as a white solid.



4-chloro-2,6-bis(phenylethynyl)phenol

^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.64 – 7.50 (m, 4H), 7.44 – 7.31 (m, 8H), 6.22 (s, 1H). **^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3)** δ 155.84, 132.12, 131.87, 129.16, 128.63, 125.01, 122.32, 111.74, 96.64, 82.45. **MS (m/z):** 329 ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$.

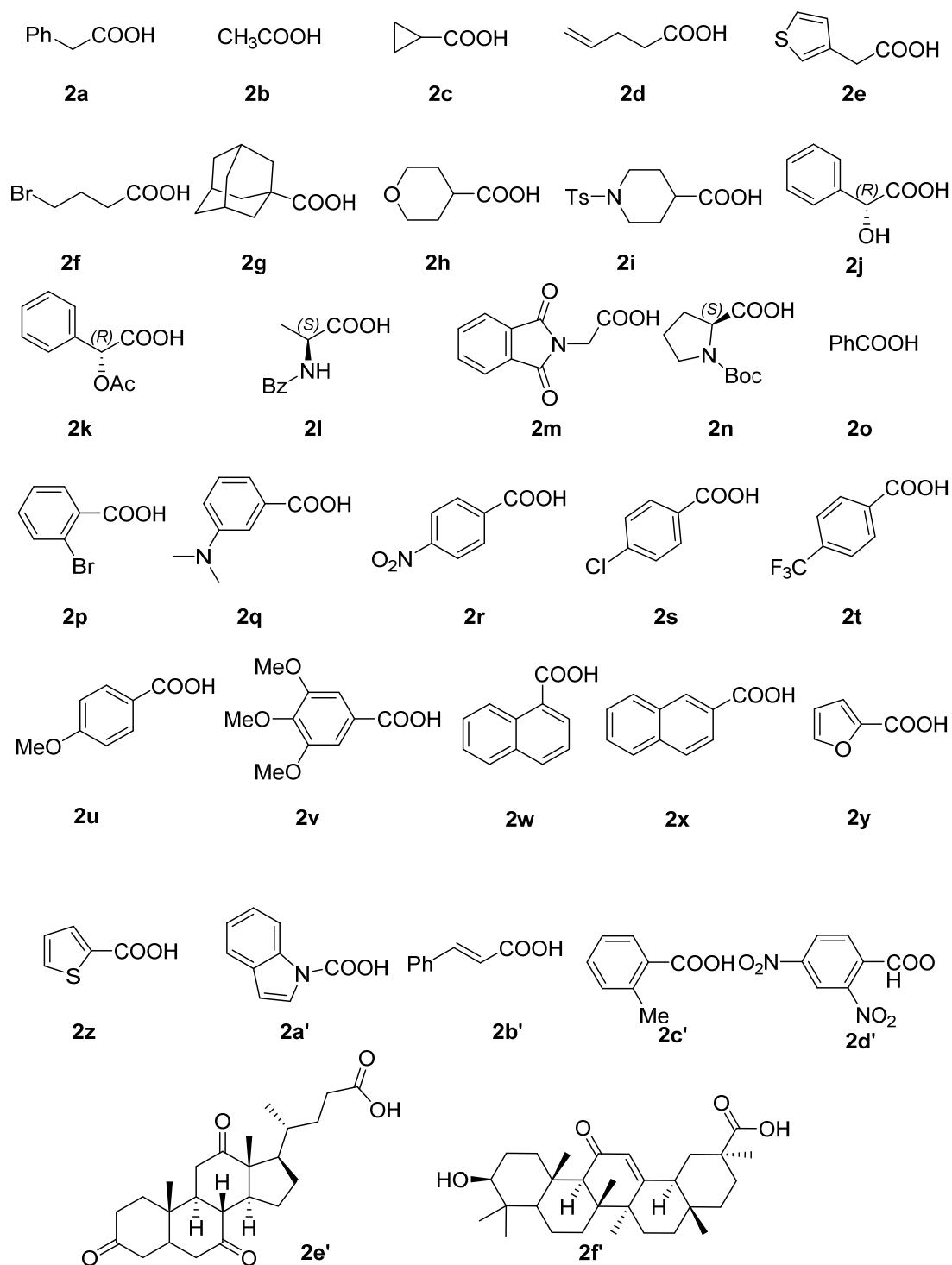
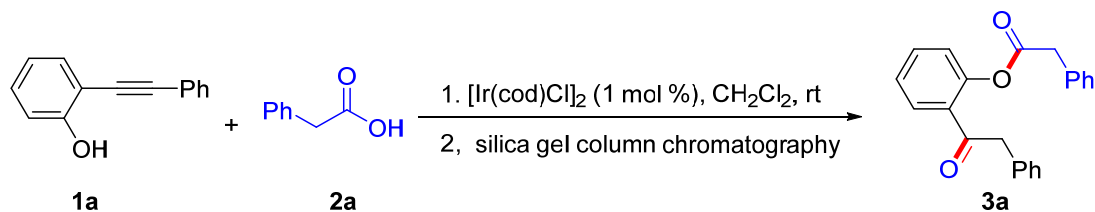


Figure S2. Carboxylic acids

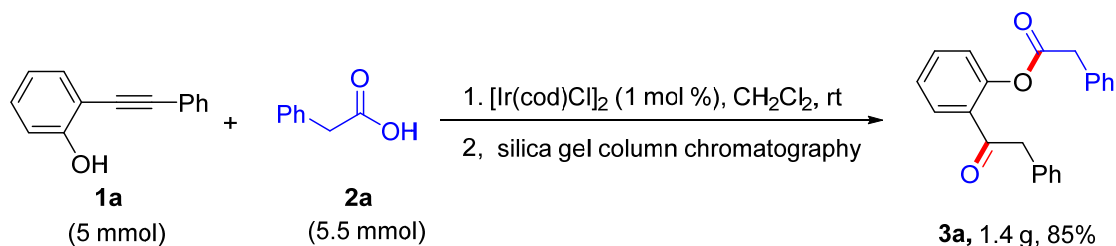
Acids **2a-2h**, **2j**, **2o-2z**, **2b'-2f'** were commercial available. Acids **2i**, **2k-2n** and **2a'** were synthesized according to the literatures.¹⁰⁻¹³

3. Typical Procedure for the Synthesis of 3a



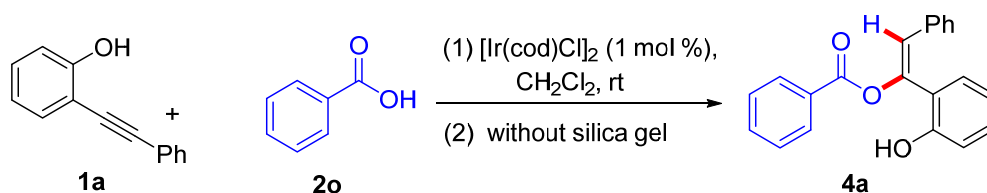
To a vial was added 2-(phenylethynyl)phenol **1a** (39 mg, 0.2 mmol), phenylacetic acid **2a** (30 mg, 0.22 mmol) and catalytic $[\text{Ir}(\text{cod})\text{Cl}]_2$ (1.4 mg, 1 mol %). Dichloromethane (2 mL) was added as solvent and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 h. Solvent was removed under vacuum and the residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography using PE/EA (V/V, 20/1) as eluent to give 2-(2-phenylacetyl)phenyl 2-phenylacetate **3a** (57 mg, 87% yield) as a white solid.

4. Gram-Scale Synthesis of 3a



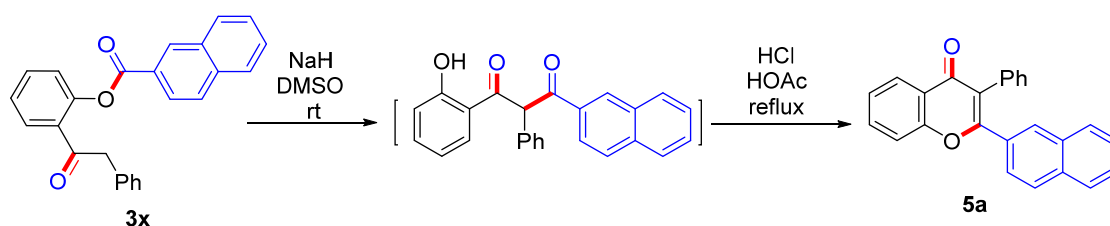
To a flask was added 2-(phenylethynyl)phenol **1a** (970 mg, 5 mmol), phenylacetic acid **2a** (750 mg, 5.5 mmol), and catalytic $[\text{Ir}(\text{cod})\text{Cl}]_2$ (33 mg, 1 mol %). Dichloromethane (50 mL) was added as solvent and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 h. Solvent was removed under vacuum and the residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography using PE/EA (V/V, 20/1) as eluent to give 2-(2-phenylacetyl)phenyl 2-phenylacetate **3a** (1.4 g, 85% yield) as a white solid.

5. Typical Procedure for the Synthesis of 4a



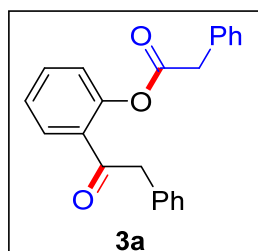
To a vial was added 2-(phenylethynyl)phenol **1a** (39 mg, 0.2 mmol), benzoic acid **2o** (24.5 mg, 0.2 mmol) and catalytic $[\text{Ir}(\text{cod})\text{Cl}]_2$ (1.4 mg, 1 mol %). Dry dichloromethane (2 mL) was added as solvent and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 h. Solvent was removed under vacuum and the crude product was purified by recrystallization from PE/EA (V/V, 10/1) to give (*E*)-1-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-2-phenylvinyl benzoate **4a** (58 mg, 91% yield) as a white solid.

6. Typical Procedure for the Synthesis of **5a**



To a schlenk tube was added **3x** (55mg, 0.15 mmol) and DMSO (0.5 mL), then NaH (9 mg, 60%, 0.22 mmol.) was added and the reaction was stirred at room temperature for 1h. Water was added and the mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate (3×5 mL), the combined organic phase was washed by brine for several times, dried over anhydrous Na_2SO_4 , filtered and concentrated in vacuum to afford the intermediate which was dissolved in acetic acid (2 mL), then concentrated HCl (0.2 mL) was added and the mixture was refluxed for 2h. The mixture was concentrated in vacuum to afford the residue which was purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA (V/V, 20/1) as eluent to give 2-(naphthalen-2-yl)-3-phenyl-4H-chromen-4-one **5a** (36 mg, 69 % yield) as a white solid.

7. Characterization of Compounds



2-(2-phenylacetyl)phenyl 2-phenylacetate

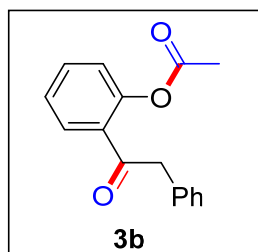
White solid, m. p. 98-100 °C, (58 mg, 88% yield).

TLC: R_f = 0.1 (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 20/1).

¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.77 (dd, *J*₁ = 7.8 Hz, *J*₂ = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.52 – 7.48 (m, 1H), 7.38 – 7.24 (m, 9H), 7.18 – 7.13 (m, 2H), 7.08 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 4.11 (s, 2H), 3.90 (s, 2H).

¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 197.94, 170.28, 148.98, 134.15, 133.27, 133.24, 131.02, 129.94, 129.74, 129.73, 128.81, 128.71, 127.49, 127.08, 126.20, 123.83, 48.23, 41.35.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for C₂₂H₁₈O₃ (M)⁺: 330.1256; Found: 330.1254.



2-(2-phenylacetyl)phenyl acetate

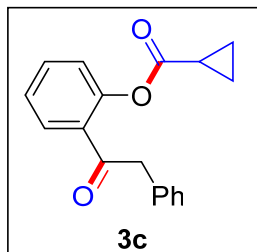
White solid, m. p. 106-108 °C, (46 mg, 91% yield).

TLC: R_f = 0.1 (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 20/1).

¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.82 (dd, *J*₁ = 7.8 Hz, *J*₂ = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.55 – 7.50 (m, 1H), 7.35 – 7.29 (m, 3H), 7.28 – 7.25 (m, 1H), 7.24 – 7.19 (m, 2H), 7.12 (dd, *J*₁ = 8.4 Hz, *J*₂ = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 4.21 (s, 2H), 2.30 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 197.64, 169.73, 149.11, 134.16, 133.44, 130.67, 130.12, 129.68, 128.75, 127.11, 126.16, 124.04, 48.09, 21.27.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for C₁₆H₁₄O₃ (M)⁺: 254.0943; Found: 254.0945.



2-(2-phenylacetyl)phenyl cyclopropanecarboxylate

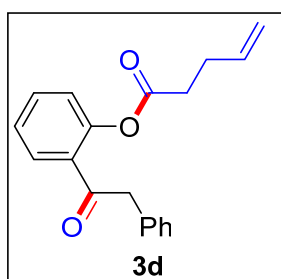
Colorless oil, (45 mg, 81% yield).

TLC: $R_f = 0.2$ (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10/1).

^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.72 (dd, $J_1 = 7.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.50 – 7.45 (m, 1H), 7.38 – 7.18 (m, 6H), 7.12 (dd, $J_1 = 8.4$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.2$ Hz, 1H), 4.19 (s, 2H), 1.91 – 1.81 (m, 1H), 1.20 – 1.14 (m, 2H), 1.05 – 0.99 (m, 2H).

^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 198.01, 173.33, 148.89, 134.25, 133.00, 131.60, 129.74, 129.70, 128.64, 127.00, 125.95, 123.73, 48.48, 13.24, 9.42.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{16}\text{O}_3$ (M) $^+$: 280.1099; Found: 280.1098.



2-(2-phenylacetyl)phenyl pent-4-enoate

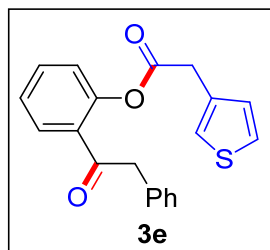
Colorless oil, (26 mg, 45% yield).

TLC: $R_f = 0.15$ (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 20/1).

^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.78 (dd, $J_1 = 7.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.52 – 7.50 (m, 1H), 7.34 – 7.24 (m, 4H), 7.23 – 7.19 (m, 2H), 7.11 (dd, $J_1 = 7.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 0.6$ Hz, 1H), 5.92 – 5.84 (m, 1H), 5.15 – 5.10 (m, 1H), 5.08 – 5.02 (m, 1H), 4.19 (s, 2H), 2.68 (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 2H), 2.51 – 2.46 (m, 2H).

^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 197.78, 171.66, 149.08, 136.52, 134.23, 133.27, 131.11, 129.96, 129.71, 128.75, 127.11, 126.09, 124.00, 115.96, 48.28, 33.62, 28.63.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}_3$ (M) $^+$: 294.1256; Found: 294.1255.



2-(2-phenylacetyl)phenyl 2-(thiophen-3-yl)acetate

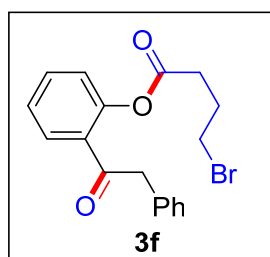
White solid, m. p. 94-96 °C, (55 mg, 81% yield).

TLC: R_f = 0.1 (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 20/1).

^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.77 (dd, J_1 = 7.8 Hz, J_2 = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.52 – 7.47 (m, 1H), 7.35 – 7.21 (m, 6H), 7.20 – 7.13 (m, 2H), 7.12 – 7.06 (m, 2H), 4.12 (s, 2H), 3.92 (s, 2H).

^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 197.82, 169.77, 148.99, 134.16, 133.29, 132.79, 130.97, 129.97, 129.71, 128.79, 128.72, 127.09, 126.22, 125.99, 123.85, 123.60, 48.17, 35.81.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{16}\text{O}_3\text{S}$ (M) $^+$: 336.0820; Found: 336.0820.



2-(2-phenylacetyl)phenyl 4-bromobutanoate

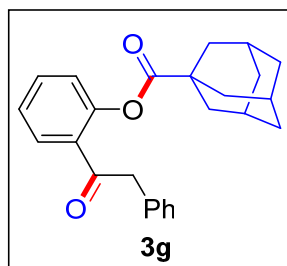
Colorless oil, (35 mg, 49% yield).

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^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 197.67, 171.29, 148.96, 134.17, 133.39, 130.80, 130.01, 129.66, 128.76, 127.12, 126.18, 123.97, 48.08, 32.69, 32.61, 27.57.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{17}\text{BrO}_3$ (M) $^+$: 360.0361; Found: 360.0359.



2-(2-phenylacetyl)phenyl (3r,5r,7r)-adamantane-1-carboxylate

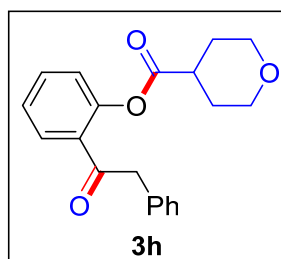
Colorless oil, (42 mg, 56% yield).

TLC: $R_f = 0.2$ (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 20/1).

^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.67 (dd, $J_1 = 7.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.50 – 7.44 (m, 1H), 7.37 – 7.17 (m, 6H), 7.04 (dd, $J_1 = 7.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 0.6$ Hz, 1H), 4.16 (s, 2H), 2.10 – 2.00 (m, 9H), 1.84 – 1.71 (m, 6H).

^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 198.27, 176.04, 149.07, 134.23, 132.75, 132.24, 129.77, 129.35, 128.70, 127.05, 125.78, 123.65, 48.68, 41.11, 38.72, 36.53, 27.99.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{26}\text{O}_3$ (M) $^+$: 374.1882; Found: 374.1885.



2-(2-phenylacetyl)phenyl tetrahydro-2H-pyran-4-carboxylate

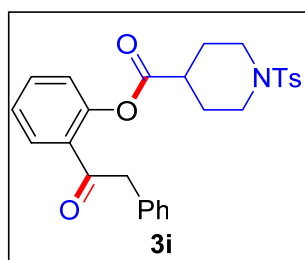
Colorless oil, (56 mg, 87% yield).

TLC: $R_f = 0.1$ (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 8/1).

^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.77 (dd, $J_1 = 7.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.54 – 7.46 (m, 1H), 7.34 – 7.23 (m, 4H), 7.22 – 7.18 (m, 2H), 7.08 (dd, $J_1 = 7.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.2$ Hz, 1H), 4.17 (s, 2H), 3.99 (dt, $J_1 = 11.4$ Hz, $J_2 = 3.6$ Hz, 2H), 3.46 (td, $J_1 = 11.4$ Hz, $J_2 = 2.4$ Hz, 2H), 2.80 (tt, $J_1 = 10.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 4.2$ Hz, 1H), 2.01 – 1.94 (m, 2H), 1.93 – 1.85 (m, 2H).

^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 197.70, 172.99, 148.88, 134.12, 133.16, 131.15, 129.73, 129.63, 128.70, 127.06, 126.06, 123.81, 67.07, 48.09, 40.15, 28.45.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}_4$ (M) $^+$: 324.1362; Found: 324.1362.



2-(2-phenylacetyl)phenyl 1-tosylpiperidine-4-carboxylate

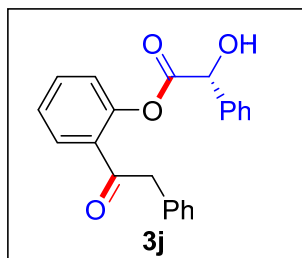
White solid, m. p. 122-124 °C, (82 mg, 86% yield).

TLC: $R_f = 0.1$ (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 5/1).

^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.79 (dd, $J_1 = 7.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.64 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.53 – 7.48 (m, 1H), 7.35 – 7.23 (m, 6H), 7.21 – 7.14 (m, 2H), 7.03 (dd, $J_1 = 8.4$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.2$ Hz, 1H), 4.15 (s, 2H), 3.69 (dt, $J_1 = 11.4$ Hz, $J_2 = 3.6$ Hz, 2H), 2.55 – 2.45 (m, 3H), 2.43 (s, 3H), 2.14 – 2.07 (m, 2H), 1.97 – 1.89 (m, 2H).

^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 197.55, 172.59, 148.78, 143.75, 134.03, 133.38, 132.94, 130.64, 129.90, 129.79, 129.60, 128.75, 127.79, 127.13, 126.23, 123.86, 47.92, 45.47, 40.06, 27.25, 21.65.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{27}\text{NO}_5\text{S}$ (M) $^+$: 477.1610; Found: 477.1613.



2-(2-phenylacetyl)phenyl (*R*)-2-hydroxy-2-phenylacetate

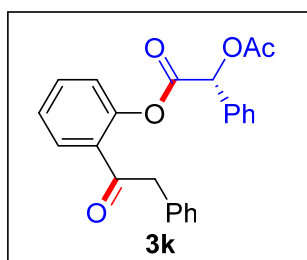
Colorless oil, (46 mg, 67% yield).

TLC: $R_f = 0.1$ (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 4/1).

^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.76 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.52 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.48 – 7.44 (m, 1H), 7.40 – 7.36 (m, 2H), 7.36 – 7.22 (m, 5H), 7.11 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 6.97 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 5.47 (s, 1H), 4.06 – 3.95 (m, 2H), 3.55 (br, 1H).

^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 197.69, 172.15, 148.63, 137.42, 133.94, 133.41, 130.56, 130.24, 129.65, 128.94, 128.90, 128.73, 127.16, 127.13, 126.61, 123.52, 73.58, 48.15.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}_4$ (M) $^+$: 346.1205; Found: 346.1208.



2-(2-phenylacetyl)phenyl (*R*)-2-acetoxy-2-phenylacetate

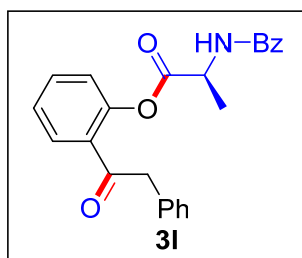
Colorless oil, (74 mg, 95% yield).

TLC: $R_f = 0.2$ (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3/1).

^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.62 (dd, $J_1 = 7.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.59 – 7.54 (m, 2H), 7.45 – 7.36 (m, 4H), 7.28 – 7.19 (m, 4H), 7.09 – 6.99 (m, 3H), 6.19 (s, 1H), 3.93 (d, $J = 16.8$ Hz, 1H), 3.87 (d, $J = 16.8$ Hz, 1H), 2.21 (s, 3H).

^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 197.85, 170.45, 167.35, 148.11, 134.00, 132.86, 132.71, 131.78, 129.86, 129.82, 129.73, 129.13, 128.49, 128.12, 126.91, 126.51, 123.20, 74.74, 48.84, 20.74.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}_5$ (M) $^+$: 388.1311; Found: 388.1316.



2-(2-phenylacetyl)phenyl benzoyl-*L*-alaninate

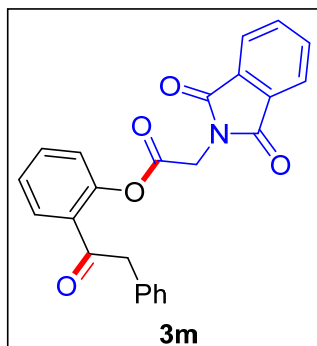
Colorless oil, (57 mg, 73% yield).

TLC: R_f = 0.1 (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 4/1).

^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.85 – 7.79 (m, 3H), 7.53 – 7.45 (m, 2H), 7.39 – 7.35 (m, 2H), 7.32 – 7.22 (m, 4H), 7.19 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.15 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.13 – 7.05 (m, 1H), 5.11 – 5.00 (m, 1H), 4.21 (s, 2H), 1.63 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H).

^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 197.83, 171.42, 166.97, 148.91, 134.01, 133.85, 133.61, 131.76, 130.25, 130.12, 129.63, 128.71, 128.61, 127.21, 127.09, 126.42, 124.06, 48.89, 47.97, 17.80.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{21}\text{NO}_4$ (M) $^+$: 387.1471; Found: 387.1469.



2-(2-phenylacetyl)phenyl 2-(1,3-dioxisoindolin-2-yl)acetate

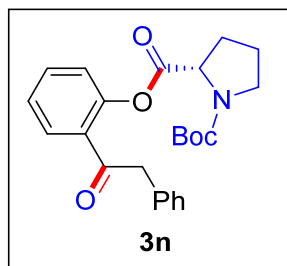
White solid, m. p. 116-118 °C, (63 mg, 79% yield).

TLC: R_f = 0.1 (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 4/1).

¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.92 – 7.86 (m, 2H), 7.78 (dd, *J*₁ = 7.8 Hz, *J*₂ = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.76 – 7.72 (m, 2H), 7.53 – 7.48 (m, 1H), 7.32 – 7.28 (m, 3H), 7.27 – 7.16 (m, 4H), 4.74 (s, 2H), 4.20 (s, 2H).

¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 197.27, 167.34, 166.25, 148.64, 134.40, 134.10, 133.37, 132.11, 130.57, 130.24, 129.66, 128.75, 127.07, 126.58, 123.86, 123.81, 48.30, 39.31.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for C₂₄H₁₇NO₅ (M)⁺: 399.1107; Found: 399.1104.



1-(tert-butyl) 2-(2-(2-phenylacetyl)phenyl) (S)-pyrrolidine-1,2-dicarboxylate

Colorless oil, (70 mg, 86% yield).

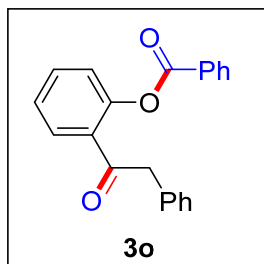
TLC: R_f = 0.15 (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 3/1).

¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃, 2 rotamers seen, ratio = 46: 54) δ 7.76 – 7.67 (m, 1H), 7.54 – 7.44 (m, 1H), 7.36 – 7.08 (m, 7H), 4.53 (dd, *J*₁ = 8.4 Hz, *J*₂ = 3.6 Hz, 0.46H), 4.46 (dd, *J*₁ = 8.4 Hz, *J*₂ = 3.6 Hz, 0.54H), 4.26 – 4.16 (m, 2H), 3.61 – 3.37 (m, 2H), 2.42 – 2.17 (m, 2H), 2.05 – 1.81 (m, 2H), 1.47 (s, 4.14H), 1.45 (s, 4.86H).

¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃, 2 rotamers seen) δ 198.21, 198.04, 171.24, 171.03, 154.55, 153.85, 148.63, 148.33, 134.30, 134.07, 132.97, 132.92, 131.79, 131.76, 129.77, 129.70, 129.33, 129.30, 128.66, 128.57, 127.05, 126.94, 126.10, 126.01, 123.87, 123.27, 80.16, 79.97, 59.22, 59.18, 48.39, 48.17, 46.74, 46.51, 30.07,

29.24, 28.51, 24.51, 23.56.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for $C_{24}H_{27}NO_5$ (M)⁺: 409.1889; Found: 409.1885.



2-(2-phenylacetyl)phenyl benzoate

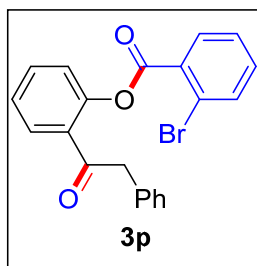
White solid, m. p. 78-80 °C, (56 mg, 89% yield).

TLC: R_f = 0.25 (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10/1).

1H NMR (600 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 8.19 (dd, J_1 = 8.4 Hz, J_2 = 1.2 Hz, 2H), 7.82 (dd, J_1 = 7.8 Hz, J_2 = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.66 – 7.61 (m, 1H), 7.58 – 7.54 (m, 1H), 7.53 – 7.48 (m, 2H), 7.36 – 7.32 (m, 1H), 7.29 – 7.20 (m, 4H), 7.20 – 7.13 (m, 2H), 4.20 (s, 2H).

^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 197.91, 165.20, 149.21, 134.14, 133.94, 133.19, 131.69, 130.46, 130.03, 129.70, 129.32, 128.80, 128.68, 127.05, 126.24, 124.01, 48.64.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for $C_{21}H_{16}O_3$ (M)⁺: 316.1099; Found: 316.1096.



2-(2-phenylacetyl)phenyl 2-bromobenzoate

Colorless oil, (76 mg, 96% yield).

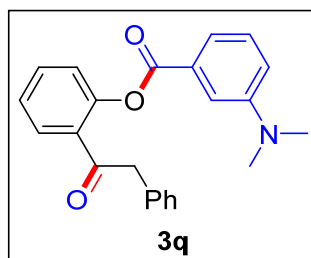
TLC: R_f = 0.25 (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10/1).

1H NMR (600 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 8.07 (dd, J_1 = 7.8 Hz, J_2 = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.82 (dd, J_1 = 7.8 Hz, J_2 = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.69 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.57 – 7.52 (m, 1H), 7.42 – 7.17

(m, 9H), 4.20 (s, 2H).

^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 197.69, 164.30, 148.86, 134.56, 134.11, 133.36, 133.33, 132.23, 131.16, 131.01, 130.04, 129.65, 128.68, 127.52, 127.02, 126.40, 123.95, 122.38, 48.25.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{15}\text{BrO}_3$ (M) $^+$: 394.0205; Found: 394.0201.



2-(2-phenylacetyl)phenyl 3-(dimethylamino)benzoate

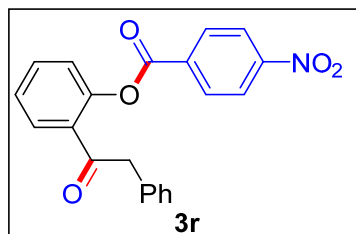
Yellow solid, m. p. 95-97 °C, (66 mg, 92% yield).

TLC: R_f = 0.2 (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 8/1).

^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.83 – 7.78 (m, 1H), 7.60 – 7.51 (m, 3H), 7.42 – 7.16 (m, 8H), 7.02 – 6.97 (m, 1H), 4.22 (s, 2H), 3.02 (s, 6H).

^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 198.10, 165.80, 150.71, 149.34, 134.21, 133.07, 131.93, 129.99, 129.80, 129.76, 129.43, 128.61, 126.98, 126.10, 123.96, 118.27, 117.73, 113.79, 48.84, 40.60.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{21}\text{NO}_3$ (M) $^+$: 359.1521; Found: 359.1525.



2-(2-phenylacetyl)phenyl 4-nitrobenzoate

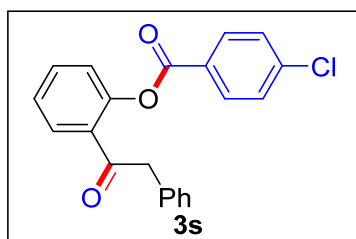
Yellow solid, m. p. 113-115 °C, (66 mg, 71% yield).

TLC: R_f = 0.15 (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10/1).

^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.37 – 8.27 (m, 4H), 7.90 (dd, $J_1 = 7.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.62 – 7.57 (m, 1H), 7.42 – 7.37 (m, 1H), 7.30 – 7.20 (m, 4H), 7.19 – 7.13 (m, 2H), 4.20 (s, 2H).

^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 197.34, 163.57, 150.99, 148.94, 134.92, 133.96, 133.64, 131.56, 130.58, 130.32, 129.57, 128.81, 127.19, 126.71, 124.03, 123.82, 48.08.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{15}\text{NO}_5$ (M) $^+$: 361.0950; Found: 361.0951.



2-(2-phenylacetyl)phenyl 4-chlorobenzoate

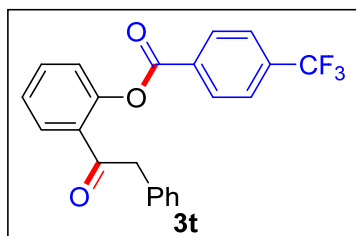
White solid, m. p. 87-89 °C, (52 mg, 74% yield).

TLC: $R_f = 0.25$ (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10/1).

^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.10 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.82 (dd, $J_1 = 7.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.59 – 7.54 (m, 1H), 7.47 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.38 – 7.33 (m, 1H), 7.30 – 7.20 (m, 4H), 7.16 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 4.18 (s, 2H).

^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 197.69, 164.43, 149.07, 140.43, 134.06, 133.32, 131.82, 131.34, 130.08, 129.64, 129.15, 128.73, 127.85, 127.11, 126.37, 124.02, 48.43.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{15}\text{ClO}_3$ (M) $^+$: 350.0710; Found: 350.0714.



2-(2-phenylacetyl)phenyl 4-(trifluoromethyl)benzoate

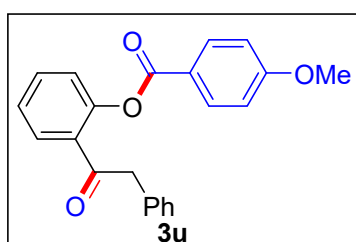
White solid, m. p. 75-77 °C, (55 mg, 72% yield).

TLC: $R_f = 0.25$ (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10/1).

^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.27 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.87 (dd, J_1 = 7.8 Hz, J_2 = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.63 – 7.55 (m, 1H), 7.42 – 7.35 (m, 1H), 7.31 – 7.14 (m, 6H), 4.20 (s, 2H).

^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 197.52, 164.17, 149.04, 135.20 (q, J = 32.5 Hz), 134.03, 133.48, 132.71, 131.01, 130.85, 130.21, 129.61, 128.78, 127.16, 126.54, 125.79 (q, J = 3.7 Hz), 124.05, 123.70 (q, J = 273.3 Hz), 48.28.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{15}\text{F}_3\text{O}_3$ (M) $^+$: 384.0973; Found: 384.0971.



2-(2-phenylacetyl)phenyl 4-methoxybenzoate

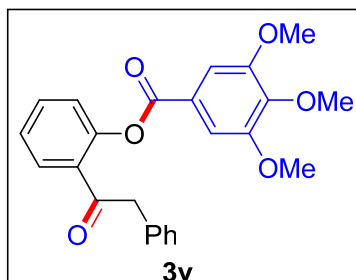
White solid, m. p. 89-91 °C, (56 mg, 81% yield).

TLC: R_f = 0.15 (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10/1).

^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.14 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.82 – 7.75 (m, 1H), 7.57 – 7.51 (m, 1H), 7.33 – 7.30 (m, 1H), 7.28 – 7.19 (m, 4H), 7.16 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 6.97 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 4.19 (s, 2H), 3.87 (s, 3H).

^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 198.07, 164.83, 164.24, 149.29, 134.20, 133.09, 132.60, 131.89, 129.94, 129.73, 128.63, 127.00, 126.06, 124.03, 121.55, 114.11, 55.65, 48.73.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}_4$ (M) $^+$: 346.1205; Found: 346.1209.



2-(2-phenylacetyl)phenyl 3,4,5-trimethoxybenzoate

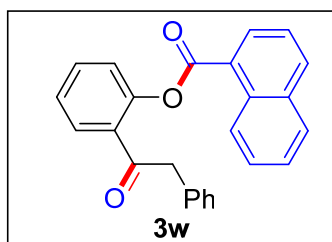
White solid, m. p. 102-104 °C, (66 mg, 81% yield).

TLC: R_f = 0.1 (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 5/1).

¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.83 (dd, *J*₁ = 7.8 Hz, *J*₂ = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.61 – 7.56 (m, 1H), 7.43 (s, 2H), 7.38 – 7.34 (m, 1H), 7.30 – 7.17 (m, 6H), 4.21 (s, 2H), 3.94 (s, 3H), 3.92 (s, 6H).

¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 197.93, 164.82, 153.23, 149.23, 143.12, 134.15, 133.24, 131.63, 130.00, 129.67, 128.69, 127.07, 126.24, 124.17, 124.00, 107.71, 61.08, 56.42, 48.53.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for C₂₄H₂₂O₆ (M)⁺: 406.1416; Found: 406.1419.



2-(2-phenylacetyl)phenyl 1-naphthoate

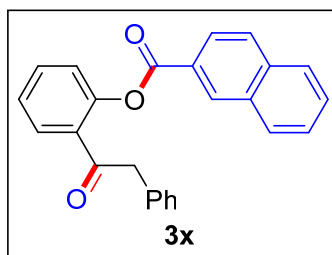
Colorless oil, (72 mg, 98% yield).

TLC: R_f = 0.25 (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10/1).

¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.97 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.48 (dd, *J*₁ = 7.2 Hz, *J*₂ = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 8.06 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.88 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.82 (dd, *J*₁ = 7.8 Hz, *J*₂ = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.65 – 7.50 (m, 4H), 7.35 – 7.31 (m, 1H), 7.29 (dd, *J*₁ = 8.4 Hz, *J*₂ = 0.6 Hz, 1H), 7.26 – 7.11 (m, 5H), 4.21 (s, 2H).

¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 198.01, 165.65, 149.19, 134.57, 134.14, 133.98, 133.23, 131.80, 131.78, 131.66, 129.99, 129.67, 128.77, 128.64, 128.30, 126.98, 126.50, 126.19, 125.77, 125.58, 124.72, 124.11, 48.46.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for C₂₅H₁₈O₃ (M)⁺: 366.1256; Found: 366.1259.



2-(2-phenylacetyl)phenyl 2-naphthoate

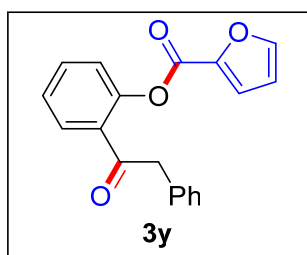
White solid, m. p. 109-111 °C, (57 mg, 78% yield).

TLC: R_f = 0.25 (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10/1).

¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.77 (s, 1H), 8.17 (dd, *J*₁ = 8.4 Hz, *J*₂ = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.98 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.94 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.91 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.83 (dd, *J*₁ = 7.8 Hz, *J*₂ = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.65 – 7.55 (m, 3H), 7.38 – 7.34 (m, 1H), 7.32 – 7.15 (m, 6H), 4.22 (s, 2H).

¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 197.99, 165.39, 149.32, 136.08, 134.14, 133.24, 132.65, 132.39, 131.76, 130.06, 129.70, 128.88, 128.69, 128.66, 127.97, 127.05, 126.99, 126.52, 126.27, 125.60, 124.06, 48.66.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for C₂₅H₁₈O₃ (M)⁺: 366.1256; Found: 366.1255.



2-(2-phenylacetyl)phenyl furan-2-carboxylate

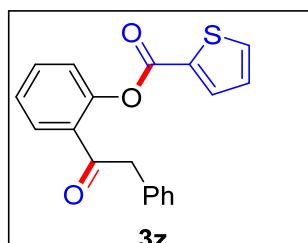
White solid, m. p. 91-93 °C, (59 mg, 96% yield).

TLC: R_f = 0.2 (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10/1).

¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.81 (dd, *J*₁ = 7.8 Hz, *J*₂ = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.67 (d, *J* = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.58 – 7.53 (m, 1H), 7.39 (d, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 7.36 – 7.32 (m, 1H), 7.31 – 7.17 (m, 6H), 4.23 (s, 2H).

^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 197.78, 156.68, 148.36, 147.54, 143.84, 134.14, 133.32, 131.39, 130.20, 129.73, 128.70, 127.08, 126.46, 123.90, 120.22, 112.49, 48.63.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{14}\text{O}_4$ (M) $^{+}$: 306.0892; Found: 306.0897.



2-(2-phenylacetyl)phenyl thiophene-2-carboxylate

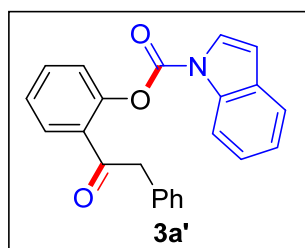
White solid, m. p. 99-101 °C, (62 mg, 97% yield).

TLC: R_f = 0.2 (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10/1).

^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.98 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 7.79 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.67 (dd, J_1 = 4.8 Hz, J_2 = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.58 – 7.52 (m, 1H), 7.36 – 7.31 (m, 1H), 7.30 – 7.15 (m, 7H), 4.22 (s, 2H).

^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 197.90, 160.42, 148.68, 135.33, 134.12, 134.09, 133.20, 132.43, 131.60, 130.07, 129.74, 128.69, 128.32, 127.07, 126.38, 123.94, 48.77.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{14}\text{O}_3\text{S}$ (M) $^{+}$: 322.0664; Found: 322.0667.



2-(2-phenylacetyl)phenyl 1H-indole-1-carboxylate

Brown oil, (62 mg, 88% yield).

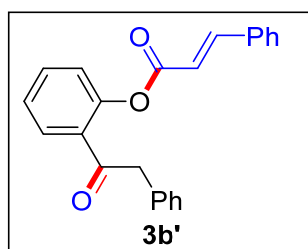
TLC: R_f = 0.15 (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10/1).

^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.17 (s, 1H), 7.86 (dd, J_1 = 7.8 Hz, J_2 = 1.2 Hz,

1H), 7.70 (d, $J = 3.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.62 – 7.56 (m, 2H), 7.41 – 7.36 (m, 1H), 7.36 – 7.14 (m, 8H), 6.67 (d, $J = 3.6$ Hz, 1H), 4.21 (s, 2H).

^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 197.49, 148.50, 133.87, 133.48, 131.18, 130.79, 130.16, 129.60, 128.76, 127.13, 126.76, 125.75, 124.91, 124.03, 123.60, 121.27, 115.44, 109.30, 48.30.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{17}\text{NO}_3$ (M^+): 355.1208; Found: 355.1210.



2-(2-phenylacetyl)phenyl cinnamate

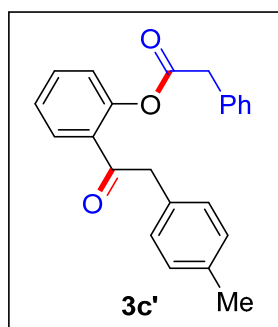
White solid, m. p. 100-101 °C, (63 mg, 92% yield).

TLC: $R_f = 0.3$ (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10/1).

^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.87 (d, $J = 15.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.80 (dd, $J_1 = 7.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.60 – 7.52 (m, 3H), 7.44 – 7.39 (m, 3H), 7.35 – 7.28 (m, 3H), 7.26 – 7.18 (m, 4H), 6.64 (d, $J = 15.6$ Hz, 1H), 4.22 (s, 2H).

^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 198.01, 165.30, 149.05, 147.47, 134.25, 134.15, 133.18, 131.62, 130.98, 129.99, 129.73, 129.09, 128.70, 128.57, 127.05, 126.14, 123.91, 116.91, 48.60.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}_3$ (M^+): 342.1256; Found: 342.1259.



2-(2-(p-tolyl)acetyl)phenyl 2-phenylacetate

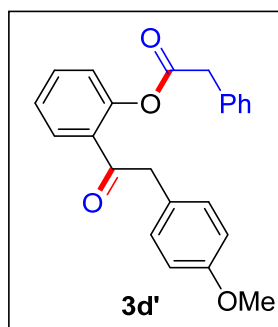
White solid, m. p. 121-123 °C, (63 mg, 91% yield).

TLC: R_f = 0.2 (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10/1).

¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.74 (dd, *J*₁ = 7.8 Hz, *J*₂ = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.48 – 7.44 (m, 1H), 7.37 – 7.22 (m, 6H), 7.10 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.08 – 7.00 (m, 3H), 4.05 (s, 2H), 3.89 (s, 2H), 2.31 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 198.08, 170.16, 148.99, 136.61, 133.29, 133.10, 131.13, 131.06, 129.92, 129.71, 129.55, 129.41, 128.77, 127.44, 126.12, 123.78, 47.87, 41.34, 21.20.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for C₂₃H₂₀O₃ (M)⁺: 344.1412; Found: 344.1416.



2-(2-(4-methoxyphenyl)acetyl)phenyl 2-phenylacetate

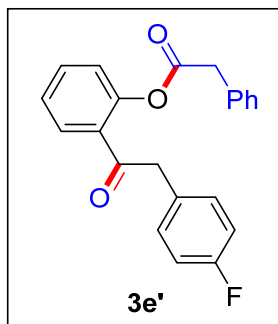
White solid, m. p. 123-125 °C, (67 mg, 93% yield).

TLC: R_f = 0.1 (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10/1).

¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.73 (dd, *J*₁ = 7.8 Hz, *J*₂ = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.49 – 7.45 (m, 1H), 7.38 – 7.24 (m, 6H), 7.09 – 7.04 (m, 3H), 6.87 – 6.81 (m, 2H), 4.03 (s, 2H), 3.89 (s, 2H), 3.78 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 198.26, 170.19, 158.67, 148.95, 133.27, 133.10, 131.16, 130.73, 129.87, 129.71, 128.79, 127.46, 126.14, 126.13, 123.77, 114.15, 55.33, 47.41, 41.36.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for C₂₃H₂₀O₄ (M)⁺: 360.1362; Found: 360.1369.



2-(2-(4-fluorophenyl)acetyl)phenyl 2-phenylacetate

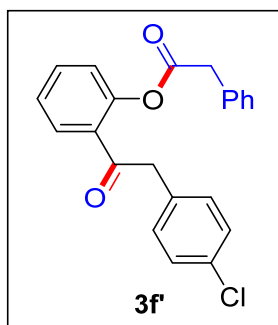
White solid, m. p. 71-73 °C, (61 mg, 88% yield).

TLC: $R_f = 0.2$ (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10/1).

^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.73 (dd, $J_1 = 7.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.53 – 7.47 (m, 1H), 7.41 – 7.26 (m, 6H), 7.13 – 7.03 (m, 3H), 7.03 – 6.92 (m, 2H), 4.05 (s, 2H), 3.89 (s, 2H).

^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 197.72, 170.19, 162.04 (d, $J = 245.3$ Hz), 148.96, 133.31, 133.19, 131.33 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 131.07, 129.81 (d, $J = 3.3$ Hz), 129.73, 129.71, 128.83, 127.53, 126.21, 123.81, 115.52 (d, $J = 21.4$ Hz), 47.30, 41.40.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{17}\text{FO}_3$ (M) $^+$: 348.1162; Found: 348.1164.



2-(2-(4-chlorophenyl)acetyl)phenyl 2-phenylacetate

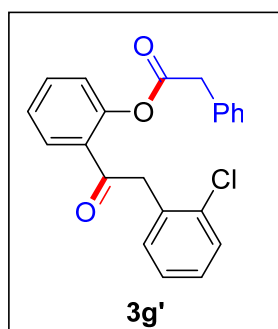
White solid, m. p. 103-105 °C, (64 mg, 88% yield).

TLC: $R_f = 0.2$ (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10/1).

^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.75 (dd, $J_1 = 7.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.54 – 7.49 (m, 1H), 7.37 – 7.24 (m, 8H), 7.09 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.05 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 2H), 4.05 (s, 2H), 3.90 (s, 2H).

^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 197.44, 170.26, 148.91, 133.44, 133.12, 132.98, 132.52, 131.18, 130.87, 129.74, 129.71, 128.82, 128.79, 127.54, 126.25, 123.82, 47.39, 41.36.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{17}\text{ClO}_3$ (M) $^+$: 364.0866; Found: 364.0861.



2-(2-(2-chlorophenyl)acetyl)phenyl 2-phenylacetate

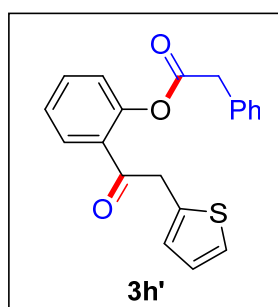
White solid, m. p. 113-115 °C, (57 mg, 79% yield).

TLC: R_f = 0.2 (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10/1).

^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.84 (dd, J_1 = 7.8 Hz, J_2 = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.53 – 7.48 (m, 1H), 7.41 – 7.19 (m, 9H), 7.16 – 7.06 (m, 2H), 4.22 (s, 2H), 3.90 (s, 2H).

^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 196.49, 170.16, 149.04, 134.60, 133.33, 133.23, 132.92, 132.01, 131.09, 129.87, 129.71, 129.53, 128.81, 128.74, 127.48, 126.98, 126.25, 123.81, 46.20, 41.42.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{17}\text{ClO}_3$ (M) $^+$: 364.0866; Found: 364.0867.



2-(2-(thiophen-2-yl)acetyl)phenyl 2-phenylacetate

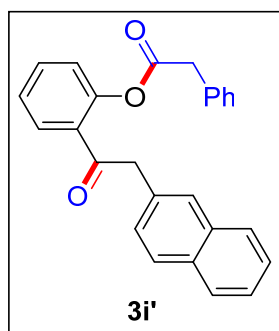
White solid, m. p. 63-65 °C, (46 mg, 68% yield).

TLC: $R_f = 0.2$ (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 8/1).

^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.77 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.53 – 7.47 (m, 1H), 7.39 – 7.32 (m, 4H), 7.32 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.22 (d, $J = 4.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.09 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.98 – 6.93 (m, 1H), 6.83 (d, $J = 3.0$ Hz, 1H), 4.28 (s, 2H), 3.91 (s, 2H).

^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 196.25, 170.10, 149.13, 135.17, 133.44, 133.19, 130.61, 129.97, 129.71, 128.85, 127.53, 127.10, 127.01, 126.22, 125.25, 123.86, 42.18, 41.41.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{16}\text{O}_3\text{S}$ (M) $^+$: 336.0820; Found: 336.0825.



2-(2-(naphthalen-2-yl)acetyl)phenyl 2-phenylacetate

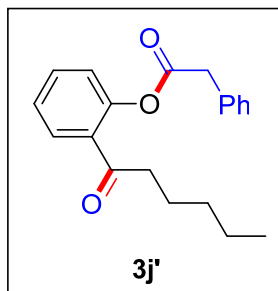
White solid, m. p. 139-141 °C, (54 mg, 71% yield).

TLC: $R_f = 0.2$ (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10/1).

^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.88 – 7.69 (m, 4H), 7.61 (s, 1H), 7.52 – 7.41 (m, 3H), 7.36 – 7.25 (m, 7H), 7.09 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 4.26 (s, 2H), 3.90 (s, 2H).

^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 197.94, 170.24, 149.07, 133.65, 133.28, 133.26, 132.55, 131.79, 131.17, 129.98, 129.74, 128.83, 128.43, 128.32, 127.86, 127.82, 127.81, 127.50, 126.22, 125.90, 123.86, 48.46, 41.41.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}_3$ (M) $^+$: 380.1412; Found: 380.1419.



2-hexanoylphenyl 2-phenylacetate

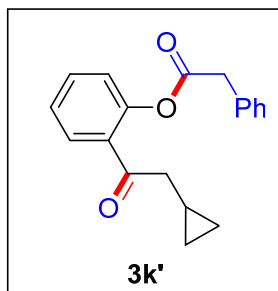
Colorless oil, (20 mg, 31% yield).

TLC: $R_f = 0.25$ (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 8/1).

^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.72 (dd, $J_1 = 7.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.50 – 7.45 (m, 1H), 7.42 – 7.33 (m, 4H), 7.32 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.06 (dd, $J_1 = 8.4$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.92 (s, 2H), 2.82 – 2.74 (m, 2H), 1.66 – 1.60 (m, 2H), 1.35 – 1.25 (m, 4H), 0.89 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 3H).

^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 200.80, 170.19, 148.87, 133.33, 132.93, 131.49, 129.71, 129.70, 128.79, 127.47, 126.17, 123.78, 41.64, 41.41, 31.51, 23.88, 22.64, 14.08.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{22}\text{O}_3$ (M) $^+$: 310.1569; Found: 310.1571.



2-(2-cyclopropylacetyl)phenyl 2-phenylacetate

Colorless oil, (46 mg, 79% yield).

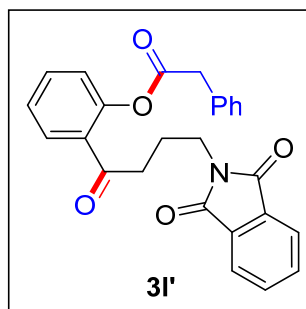
TLC: $R_f = 0.2$ (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 8/1).

^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.70 (dd, $J_1 = 7.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.50 – 7.45 (m, 1H), 7.43 – 7.33 (m, 4H), 7.32 – 7.25 (m, 2H), 7.06 (dd, $J_1 = 7.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.2$ Hz,

1H), 3.93 (s, 2H), 2.68 (d, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 2H), 1.11 – 0.96 (m, 1H), 0.58 – 0.48 (m, 2H), 0.12 – 0.03 (m, 2H).

^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 200.31, 170.11, 148.82, 133.27, 132.93, 131.34, 129.67, 128.77, 127.45, 126.12, 123.71, 46.79, 41.38, 6.39, 4.57.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}_3$ (M) $^+$: 294.1256; Found: 294.1259.



2-(4-(1,3-dioxoisindolin-2-yl)butanoyl)phenyl 2-phenylacetate

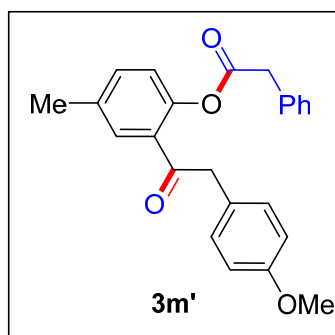
White solid, m. p. 96-98 °C, (76 mg, 89% yield).

TLC: $R_f = 0.1$ (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 8/1).

^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.89 – 7.80 (m, 2H), 7.76 – 7.68 (m, 3H), 7.50 – 7.45 (m, 1H), 7.42 – 7.27 (m, 6H), 7.04 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.90 (s, 2H), 3.74 (t, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 2H), 2.87 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 2.07 – 1.99 (m, 2H).

^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 198.93, 170.28, 168.58, 148.90, 134.11, 133.29, 133.23, 132.16, 130.88, 129.82, 129.71, 128.81, 127.49, 126.24, 123.75, 123.40, 41.33, 38.86, 37.42, 23.14.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{21}\text{NO}_5$ (M) $^+$: 427.1420; Found: 427.1419.



2-(2-(4-methoxyphenyl)acetyl)-4-methylphenyl 2-phenylacetate

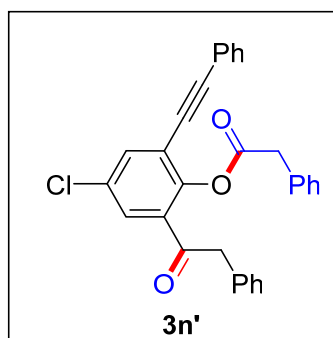
White solid, m. p. 95-97 °C, (60 mg, 81% yield).

TLC: R_f = 0.15 (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 8/1).

¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.54 (s, 1H), 7.41 – 7.26 (m, 6H), 7.05 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.95 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.85 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 4.02 (s, 2H), 3.89 (s, 2H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 2.36 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 198.45, 170.35, 158.66, 146.75, 135.95, 133.69, 133.35, 130.93, 130.77, 130.26, 129.72, 128.81, 127.46, 126.27, 123.46, 114.14, 55.36, 47.40, 41.42, 21.00.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for C₂₄H₂₂O₄ (M)⁺: 374.1518; Found: 374.1515.



4-chloro-2-(2-phenylacetyl)-6-(phenylethynyl)phenyl 2-phenylacetate

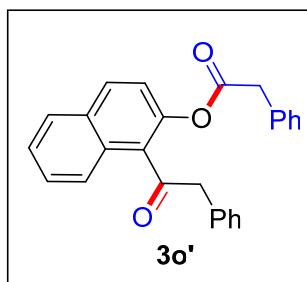
White solid, m. p. 98-100 °C, (51 mg, 55% yield).

TLC: R_f = 0.2 (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10/1).

¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.65 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.41 – 7.22 (m, 13H), 7.11 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 4.02 (s, 2H), 3.93 (s, 2H).

¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.27, 169.16, 148.27, 135.77, 133.41, 133.15, 132.75, 131.90, 131.59, 129.76, 129.73, 129.32, 128.83, 128.60, 127.56, 127.34, 122.11, 121.34, 96.41, 82.58, 48.36, 41.20.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for C₃₀H₂₁ClO₃ (M)⁺: 464.1179; Found: 464.1170.



1-(2-phenylacetyl)naphthalen-2-yl 2-phenylacetate

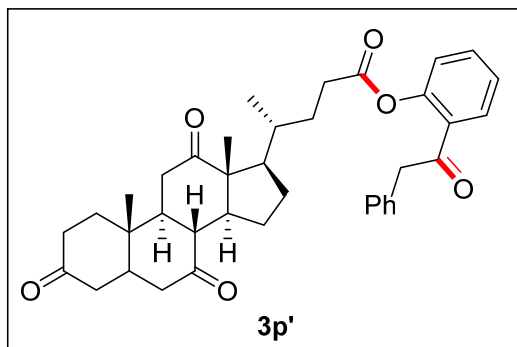
Brown oil, (57 mg, 75% yield).

TLC: $R_f = 0.2$ (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10/1).

^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.84 (d, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.81 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.51 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.46 – 7.34 (m, 6H), 7.33 – 7.29 (m, 1H), 7.28 – 7.19 (m, 4H), 7.11 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 3.94 (s, 2H), 3.82 (s, 2H).

^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 202.44, 169.67, 144.50, 133.12, 132.94, 131.53, 130.93, 130.13, 130.07, 129.90, 129.54, 129.03, 128.67, 128.37, 127.75, 127.67, 127.24, 126.26, 124.60, 121.21, 51.63, 41.47.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}_3$ (M) $^+$: 380.1412; Found: 380.1415.



2-(2-phenylacetyl)phenyl (4R)-4-((8R,9S,10S,13R,14S,17R)-10,13-dimethyl-3,7,12-trioxohexadecahydro-1H-cyclopenta[a]phenanthren-17-yl)pentanoate

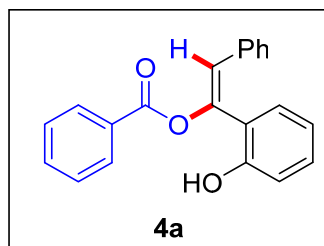
White solid, m. p. 138-140 °C, (99 mg, 83% yield).

TLC: $R_f = 0.2$ (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 4/1).

¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.77 (dd, $J_1 = 7.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.55 – 7.48 (m, 1H), 7.35 – 7.27 (m, 3H), 7.27 – 7.19 (m, 3H), 7.11 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 4.19 (s, 2H), 2.95 – 2.81 (m, 3H), 2.70 – 2.63 (m, 1H), 2.57 – 2.49 (m, 1H), 2.37 – 2.19 (m, 6H), 2.16 – 1.93 (m, 7H), 1.88 – 1.82 (m, 1H), 1.65 – 1.58 (m, 1H), 1.52 – 1.45 (m, 1H), 1.40 (s, 3H), 1.39 – 1.33 (m, 2H), 1.28 – 1.21 (m, 1H), 1.07 (s, 3H), 0.90 (d, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 212.05, 209.16, 208.81, 197.79, 172.62, 149.04, 134.23, 133.17, 131.25, 129.84, 129.70, 128.70, 127.05, 126.00, 123.93, 57.03, 51.86, 49.10, 48.27, 46.94, 45.82, 45.64, 45.09, 42.90, 38.74, 36.59, 36.12, 35.53, 35.38, 31.64, 30.17, 27.69, 25.25, 22.00, 18.81, 11.96.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for C₃₈H₄₄O₆ (M)⁺: 596.3138; Found: 596.3131.



(E)-1-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-2-phenylvinyl benzoate

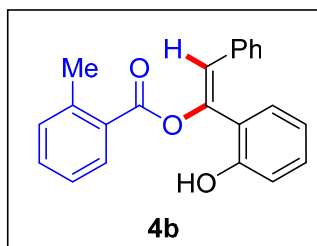
White solid, m. p. 95-97 °C, (58mg, 91% yield).

TLC: R_f = 0.3 (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 8/1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.13 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.64 – 7.58 (m, 1H), 7.51 – 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.36 – 7.27 (m, 3H), 7.21 – 7.15 (m, 3H), 7.08 – 7.02 (m, 2H), 7.01 – 6.92 (m, 2H), 6.72 (s, 1H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.80, 154.54, 143.28, 134.12, 132.75, 131.70, 130.46, 130.39, 128.88, 128.74, 128.61, 128.45, 128.27, 124.97, 121.67, 120.94, 117.59.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for C₂₁H₁₆O₃ (M)⁺: 316.1099; Found: 316.1095.



(E)-1-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-2-phenylvinyl 2-methylbenzoate

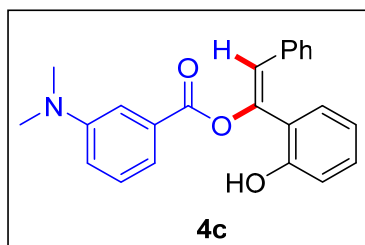
Grown gum, (61mg, 93% yield).

TLC: $R_f = 0.3$ (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10/1).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.07 (dd, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.45 – 7.40 (m, 1H), 7.35 – 7.27 (m, 3H), 7.27 – 7.22 (m, 2H), 7.19 – 7.14 (m, 3H), 7.07 – 7.02 (m, 2H), 7.00 – 6.93 (m, 2H), 6.69 (s, 1H), 2.61 (s, 3H).

^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 168.36, 154.52, 143.25, 141.69, 133.26, 132.84, 132.11, 131.61, 131.57, 130.39, 128.57, 128.41, 128.19, 127.75, 126.04, 124.88, 121.86, 120.92, 117.55, 22.16.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}_3$ (M) $^+$: 330.1256; Found: 330.1255.



(E)-1-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-2-phenylvinyl 3-(dimethylamino)benzoate

Yellow gum (quant.).

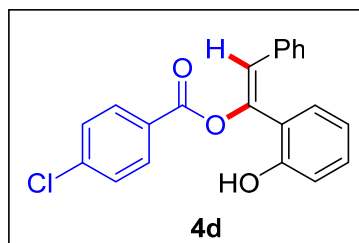
TLC: $R_f = 0.2$ (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 8/1).

^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.48 – 7.45 (m, 1H), 7.42 (dd, $J_1 = 2.4$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.36 (br, 1H), 7.33 – 7.28 (m, 3H), 7.19 – 7.15 (m, 3H), 7.07 – 7.02 (m, 2H), 6.98 (dd, $J_1 = 8.4$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.96 – 6.92 (m, 2H), 6.71 (s, 1H), 2.98 (s, 6H).

^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 168.57, 154.59, 150.63, 143.51, 132.90, 131.60,

130.48, 129.43, 129.33, 128.57, 128.44, 128.16, 124.81, 121.82, 120.86, 118.17, 117.80, 117.55, 113.67, 40.59.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for C₂₃H₂₁NO₃ (M)⁺: 359.1521; Found: 359.1527.



(E)-1-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-2-phenylvinyl 4-chlorobenzoate

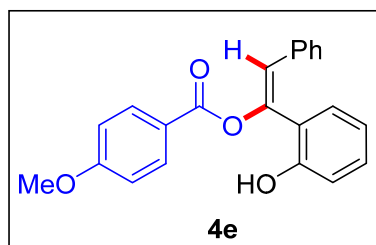
Yellow gum, (62mg, 89% yield).

TLC: R_f = 0.3 (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 8/1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.05 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.45 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.36 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 7.22 – 7.15 (m, 4H), 7.07 – 7.02 (m, 2H), 7.00 – 6.93 (m, 2H), 6.72 (s, 1H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.91, 154.49, 143.09, 140.72, 132.60, 131.81, 131.74, 130.43, 129.14, 128.65, 128.46, 128.38, 127.35, 125.09, 121.47, 121.00, 117.60.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for C₂₁H₁₅ClO₃ (M)⁺: 350.0710; Found: 350.0713.



(E)-1-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-2-phenylvinyl 4-methoxybenzoate

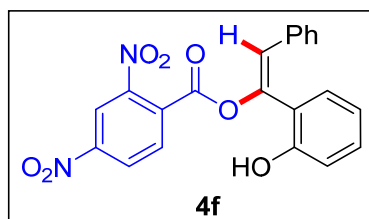
White solid, m. p. 106-108 °C, (64 mg, 92% yield).

TLC: R_f = 0.1 (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10/1).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.07 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.46 (s, 1H), 7.36 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.20 – 7.14 (m, 3H), 7.07 – 6.90 (m, 6H), 6.69 (s, 1H), 3.85 (s, 3H).

^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.62, 164.34, 154.62, 143.41, 132.90, 132.57, 131.61, 130.48, 128.57, 128.42, 128.15, 124.93, 121.90, 121.08, 120.85, 117.61, 114.01, 55.65.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}_4$ (M) $^+$: 346.1205; Found: 346.1209.



(*E*)-1-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-2-phenylvinyl 2,4-dinitrobenzoate

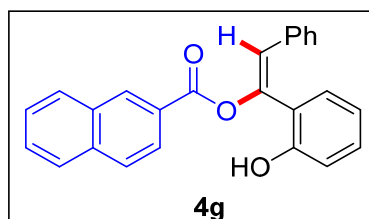
Yellow solid, m. p. 141-143 °C, (74mg, 91% yield).

TLC: R_f = 0.2 (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 5/1).

^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.85 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 8.54 (dd, J = 8.4, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.94 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.40 – 7.36 (m, 1H), 7.29 (dd, J = 7.7, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.24 – 7.17 (m, 3H), 7.11 – 7.06 (m, 2H), 7.04 – 6.97 (m, 2H), 6.84 (s, 1H), 6.37 (s, 1H).

^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 164.40, 154.21, 149.43, 148.15, 142.33, 132.20, 132.01, 131.92, 131.70, 130.54, 128.84, 128.74, 128.64, 127.86, 125.42, 121.25, 120.16, 119.94, 117.44.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{14}\text{N}_2\text{O}_7$ (M) $^+$: 406.0801; Found: 406.0803.



(*E*)-1-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-2-phenylvinyl 2-naphthoate

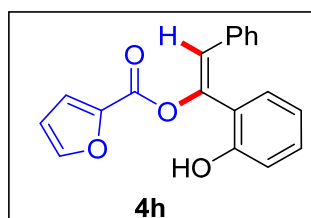
White solid, m. p. 153-155 °C, (65 mg, 89% yield).

TLC: R_f = 0.2 (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10/1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.71 (s, 1H), 8.10 (dd, *J*₁ = 8.8 Hz, *J*₂ = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.97 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.92 – 7.85 (m, 2H), 7.64 – 7.53 (m, 2H), 7.40 – 7.30 (m, 3H), 7.22 – 7.16 (m, 3H), 7.10 – 7.04 (m, 2H), 7.03 – 6.94 (m, 2H), 6.77 (s, 1H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 168.02, 154.62, 143.41, 136.07, 132.80, 132.51, 132.38, 131.74, 130.52, 129.65, 129.00, 128.63, 128.60, 128.48, 128.29, 127.98, 127.08, 126.05, 125.42, 125.05, 121.73, 120.96, 117.64.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for C₂₅H₁₈O₃ (M)⁺: 366.1256; Found: 366.1254.



(*E*)-1-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-2-phenylvinyl furan-2-carboxylate

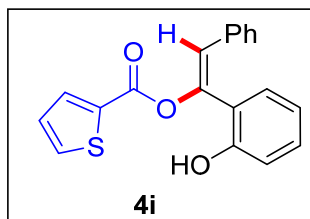
Grey gum, (53 mg, 87% yield).

TLC: R_f = 0.15 (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 8/1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.63 (dd, *J*₁ = 1.6 Hz, *J*₂ = 0.4 Hz, 1H), 7.35 – 7.29 (m, 3H), 7.20 – 7.15 (m, 3H), 7.08 (br, 1H), 7.06 – 7.02 (m, 2H), 7.00 – 6.93 (m, 2H), 6.73 (s, 1H), 6.55 (dd, *J*₁ = 3.6, *J*₂ = 2.0 Hz, 1H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.28, 154.52, 147.64, 143.53, 142.47, 132.57, 131.80, 130.56, 128.61, 128.48, 128.36, 125.35, 121.31, 120.96, 120.44, 117.63, 112.49.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for C₁₉H₁₄O₄ (M)⁺: 306.0892; Found: 306.0894.



(E)-1-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-2-phenylvinyl thiophene-2-carboxylate

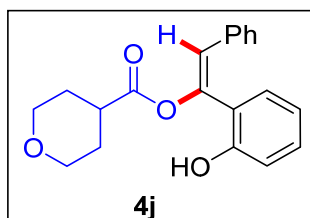
Brown gum, (58 mg, 90% yield).

TLC: $R_f = 0.2$ (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10/1).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.92 (d, $J = 4.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.66 (d, $J = 4.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.36 – 7.29 (m, 2H), 7.21 – 7.12 (m, 5H), 7.08 – 7.01 (m, 2H), 7.01 – 6.93 (m, 2H), 6.74 (s, 1H).

^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 163.22, 154.53, 142.92, 135.37, 134.34, 132.65, 132.13, 131.77, 130.52, 128.63, 128.49, 128.35, 128.29, 125.28, 121.49, 120.97, 117.62.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{14}\text{O}_3\text{S}$ (M) $^+$: 322.0664; Found: 322.0667.



(E)-1-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-2-phenylvinyl tetrahydro-2H-pyran-4-carboxylate

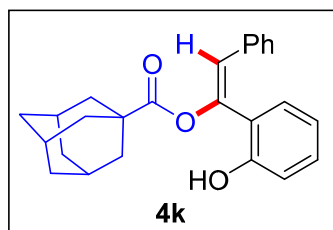
Brown oil, (55 mg, 85% yield).

TLC: $R_f = 0.1$ (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10/1).

^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.34 – 7.30 (m, 1H), 7.23 – 7.13 (m, 4H), 7.01 – 6.90 (m, 5H), 6.55 (s, 1H), 3.95 (dt, $J_1 = 12.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 3.6$ Hz, 2H), 3.44 (td, $J_1 = 11.4$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.8$ Hz, 2H), 2.72 – 2.65 (m, 1H), 1.92 – 1.87 (m, 2H), 1.85 – 1.77 (m, 2H).

^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 175.64, 154.34, 143.01, 132.63, 131.66, 130.21, 128.58, 128.37, 128.26, 124.53, 121.47, 120.91, 117.49, 66.97, 39.90, 28.46.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}_4$ (M) $^+$: 324.1362; Found: 324.1366.



(E)-1-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-2-phenylvinyl (3r,5r,7r)-adamantane-1-carboxylate

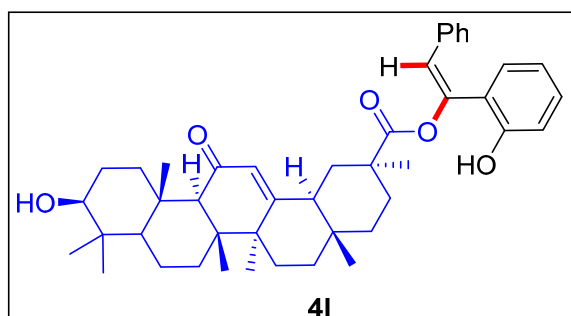
Brown oil, (62 mg, 83% yield).

TLC: R_f = 0.2 (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10/1).

^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.34 – 7.29 (m, 1H), 7.21 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.18 – 7.13 (m, 3H), 7.08 (s, 1H), 7.02 – 6.92 (m, 4H), 6.51 (s, 1H), 2.04 (s, 3H), 1.94 (s, 6H), 1.77 – 1.69 (m, 6H).

^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 179.02, 154.43, 143.47, 132.92, 131.46, 130.17, 128.54, 128.34, 128.08, 124.16, 121.78, 120.80, 117.47, 40.88, 38.66, 36.47, 27.91.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{26}\text{O}_3$ (M) $^+$: 374.1882; Found: 374.1880.



(E)-1-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-2-phenylvinyl (2S,4aS,6aS,6bR,10S,12aS,12bR,14bS)-10-hydroxy-2,4a,6a,6b,9,9,12a-heptamethyl-13-oxo-

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icosahdropicene-2-carboxylate

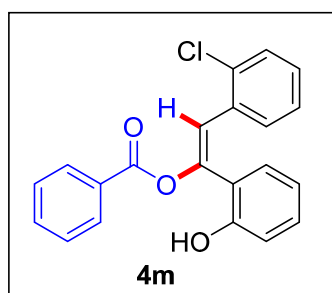
White solid, m. p. 172-174 °C, (89 mg, 68% yield).

TLC: R_f = 0.15 (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 5/1).

¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.35 – 7.28 (m, 1H), 7.24 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.21 – 7.09 (m, 4H), 7.07 – 7.00 (m, 2H), 7.00 – 6.90 (m, 2H), 6.52 (s, 1H), 5.62 (s, 1H), 3.23 (dd, *J*₁ = 10.8 Hz, *J*₂ = 5.6 Hz, 1H), 2.79 (d, *J* = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 2.33 (s, 1H), 2.06 – 1.94 (m, 4H), 1.88 – 1.76 (m, 2H), 1.72 – 1.57 (m, 5H), 1.48 – 1.37 (m, 4H), 1.35 (s, 3H), 1.27 – 1.24 (m, 1H), 1.22 (s, 3H), 1.19 – 1.16 (m, 1H), 1.14 (s, 3H), 1.11 (s, 3H), 1.01 (s, 3H), 0.99 – 0.93 (m, 2H), 0.81 (s, 3H), 0.69 (d, *J* = 11.4 Hz, 1H), 0.66 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 200.48, 177.84, 169.02, 154.37, 143.36, 132.77, 131.55, 130.41, 128.70, 128.53, 128.41, 128.12, 124.22, 121.63, 120.85, 117.37, 78.91, 61.94, 55.08, 48.30, 45.51, 44.03, 43.33, 41.13, 39.27, 37.55, 37.23, 32.91, 31.83, 31.24, 28.45, 28.24, 28.06, 27.39, 26.54, 26.49, 23.48, 18.81, 17.62, 16.50, 15.74.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for C₄₄H₅₆O₅ (M)⁺: 664.4128; Found: 664.4120.



(*E*)-2-(2-chlorophenyl)-1-(2-hydroxyphenyl)vinyl benzoate

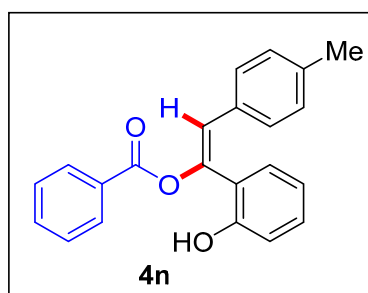
White solid, m. p. 113-115 °C, (65 mg, 92% yield).

TLC: R_f = 0.2 (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10/1).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.14 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.65 – 7.59 (m, 1H), 7.52 – 7.45 (m, 2H), 7.35 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.32 – 7.22 (m, 2H), 7.18 – 7.09 (m, 2H), 7.03 – 6.87 (m, 5H).

^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.53, 154.47, 145.20, 134.21, 134.01, 131.62, 131.44, 130.46, 130.39, 129.51, 129.33, 128.77, 126.73, 121.87, 121.08, 120.72, 117.49.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{15}\text{ClO}_3$ (M) $^+$: 350.0710; Found: 350.0714.



(*E*)-1-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-2-(*p*-tolyl)vinyl benzoate

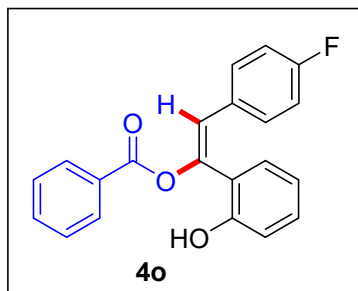
White solid, m. p. 81-82 °C, (53 mg, 81% yield).

TLC: $R_f = 0.2$ (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10/1).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.16 – 8.07 (m, 2H), 7.64 – 7.57 (m, 1H), 7.50 – 7.43 (m, 2H), 7.35 – 7.23 (m, 3H), 7.03 – 6.89 (m, 6H), 6.68 (s, 1H), 2.26 (s, 3H).

^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.82, 154.54, 142.44, 138.24, 134.07, 131.61, 130.46, 130.37, 129.84, 129.37, 128.95, 128.71, 128.33, 124.83, 121.81, 120.90, 117.51, 21.35.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}_3$ (M) $^+$: 330.1256; Found: 330.1259.



(*E*)-2-(4-fluorophenyl)-1-(2-hydroxyphenyl)vinyl benzoate

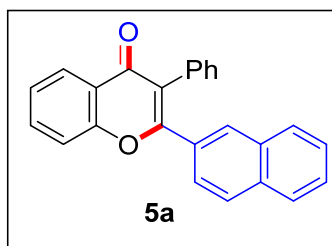
White solid, m. p. 116-118 °C, (60 mg, 90% yield).

TLC: $R_f = 0.2$ (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10/1).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.12 (dd, $J_1 = 8.4$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.65 – 7.58 (m, 1H), 7.50 – 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.36 – 7.28 (m, 3H), 7.04 – 6.94 (m, 4H), 6.90 – 6.83 (m, 2H), 6.68 (s, 1H).

^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.85, 162.47 (d, $J = 248.7$ Hz), 154.53, 143.12, 143.10, 134.19, 131.84, 130.44, 130.40, 130.15 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz), 128.92 (d, $J = 3.3$ Hz), 128.76, 123.87, 121.44, 121.07, 117.72, 115.66 (d, $J = 21.6$ Hz).

HRMS (EI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{15}\text{FO}_3$ (M) $^+$: 334.1005; Found: 334.1004.



2-(naphthalen-2-yl)-3-phenyl-4H-chromen-4-one

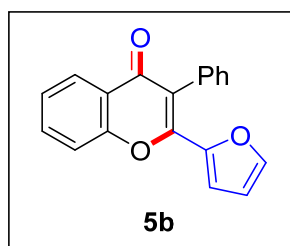
White solid, m. p. 177-179 °C, (36mg, 69% yield).

TLC: $R_f = 0.15$ (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 8/1).

^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.33 (dd, $J_1 = 7.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.2$ Hz, 1H), 8.04 (s, 1H), 7.80 – 7.71 (m, 3H), 7.67 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.60 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.54 – 7.44 (m, 3H), 7.35 (dd, $J_1 = 8.4$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.32 – 7.25 (m, 5H).

^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 177.53, 161.49, 156.31, 133.85, 133.78, 133.04, 132.67, 131.45, 130.80, 130.28, 128.89, 128.50, 127.83, 127.79, 127.77, 127.69, 126.74, 126.58, 126.21, 125.26, 123.73, 123.29, 118.15.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{16}\text{O}_2$ (M) $^+$: 348.1150; Found: 348.1157.



2-(furan-2-yl)-3-phenyl-4H-chromen-4-one

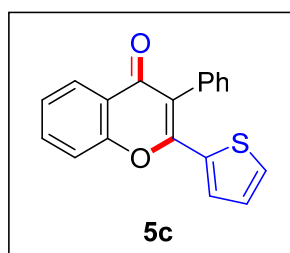
White solid, m. p. 139-141 °C, (37mg, 86% yield).

TLC: R_f = 0.15 (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 8/1).

^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.25 (dd, J_1 = 7.8 Hz, J_2 = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.72 – 7.68 (m, 1H), 7.59 – 7.56 (m, 1H), 7.49 – 7.39 (m, 5H), 7.32 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 6.34 (dd, J_1 = 3.6 Hz, J_2 = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 6.04 (dd, J_1 = 3.6 Hz, J_2 = 0.6 Hz, 1H).

^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 177.24, 155.73, 151.87, 146.09, 145.09, 133.83, 132.94, 130.45, 128.99, 128.36, 126.32, 125.21, 123.66, 121.08, 118.03, 116.62, 112.22.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_3$ (M) $^+$: 288.0786; Found: 288.0789.



3-phenyl-2-(thiophen-2-yl)-4H-chromen-4-one

White solid, m. p. 150-152 °C, (41mg, 91% yield).

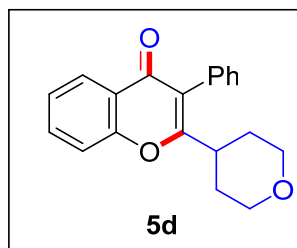
TLC: R_f = 0.15 (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 8/1).

^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.25 (dd, J_1 = 7.8 Hz, J_2 = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.73 – 7.68

(m, 1H), 7.56 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.51 – 7.45 (m, 3H), 7.43 – 7.39 (m, 2H), 7.34 – 7.29 (m, 2H), 7.17 (dd, $J_1 = 4.2$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.95 (dd, $J_1 = 4.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 3.6$ Hz, 1H).

^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 177.51, 155.82, 155.71, 135.34, 133.85, 133.00, 131.43, 131.07, 131.02, 129.38, 128.78, 127.47, 126.38, 125.18, 123.45, 121.36, 117.88.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_2\text{S}$ (M) $^+$: 304.0558; Found: 304.0560.



3-phenyl-2-(tetrahydro-2H-pyran-4-yl)-4H-chromen-4-one

White solid, m. p. 179-180 °C, (41mg, 90% yield).

TLC: $R_f = 0.1$ (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 5/1).

^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.23 (dd, $J_1 = 7.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.71 – 7.66 (m, 1H), 7.50 – 7.44 (m, 3H), 7.42 – 7.38 (m, 2H), 7.26 – 7.24 (m, 2H), 4.01 (dd, $J_1 = 11.4$ Hz, $J_2 = 4.2$ Hz, 2H), 3.37 – 3.25 (m, 2H), 2.94 – 2.85 (m, 1H), 2.22 – 2.11 (m, 2H), 1.68 – 1.64 (m, 2H).

^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 177.34, 167.12, 156.08, 133.63, 132.89, 130.33, 128.75, 128.13, 126.41, 125.09, 123.59, 123.08, 117.82, 67.37, 38.47, 29.70.

HRMS (EI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}_3$ (M) $^+$: 306.1256; Found: 306.1258.

8. X-ray Crystallographic Analysis of 3r, 4c and 5f

Crystals suitable for X-ray diffraction experiments were obtained by following methods:

Compound **3r** was crystallized from mixed solvent of hexane/chloroform; **4f** was crystallized from mixed solvent of PE/DCM; **5c** was crystallized from Hexane/EA. Intensity data for compound **3r**, **4f** and **5c** were collected on 'Bruke Apex2' diffractometer at 296(2) (MoK α radiation, radiation wavelength = 0.7107).

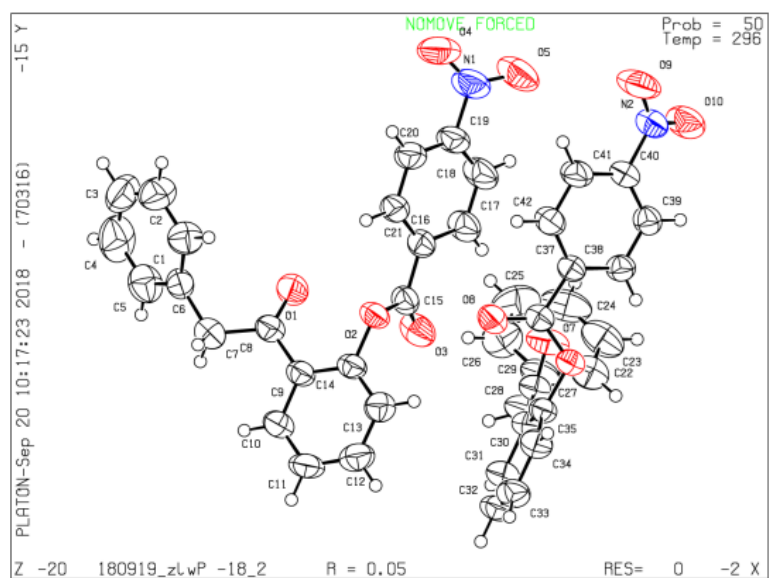


Figure S3. X-ray crystallographic structure **3r** (ORTEP view with 50% thermal ellipsoid contour probability, CCDC 1894582)

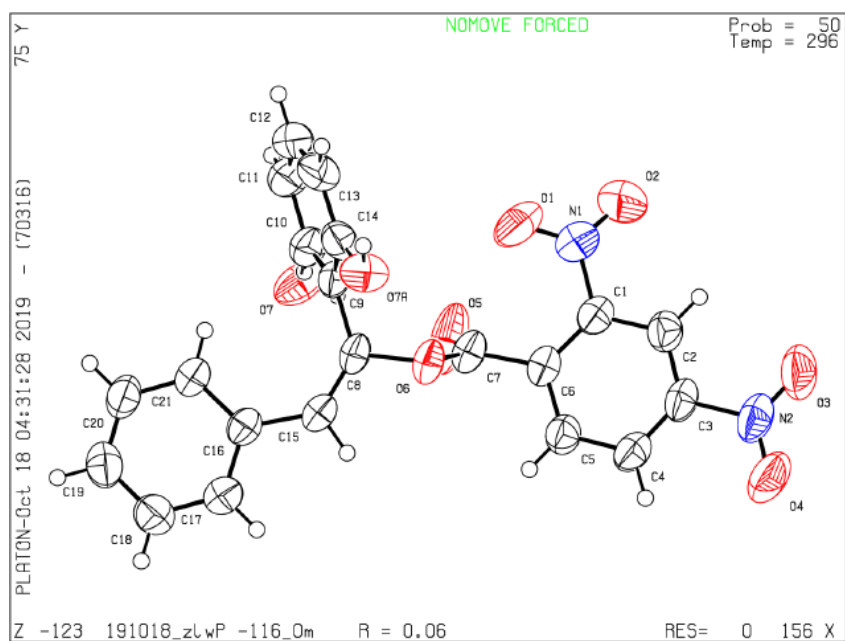


Figure S4. X-ray crystallographic structure **4f** (ORTEP view with 50% thermal ellipsoid contour probability, CCDC 1960048)

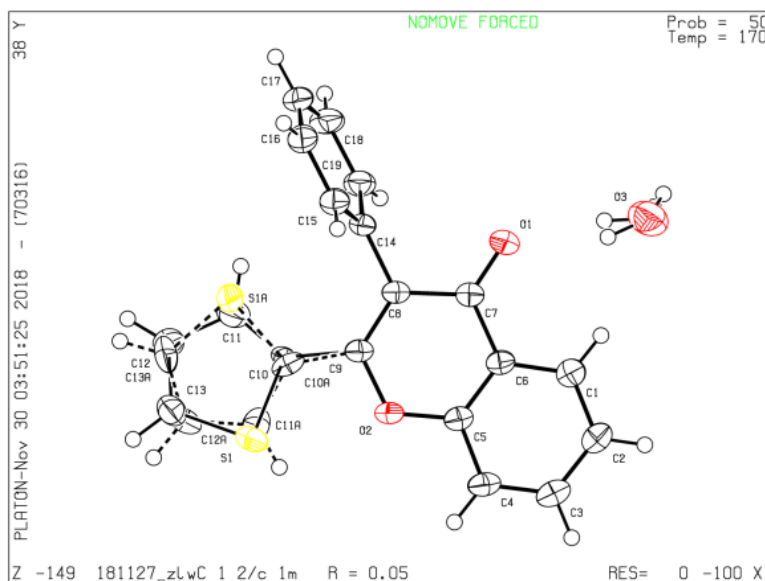


Figure S5. X-ray crystallographic structure **5c** (ORTEP view with 50% thermal ellipsoid contour probability, CCDC 1883891)

Table S1. Crystal data and structure refinements for **3r**, **4c** and **5f**

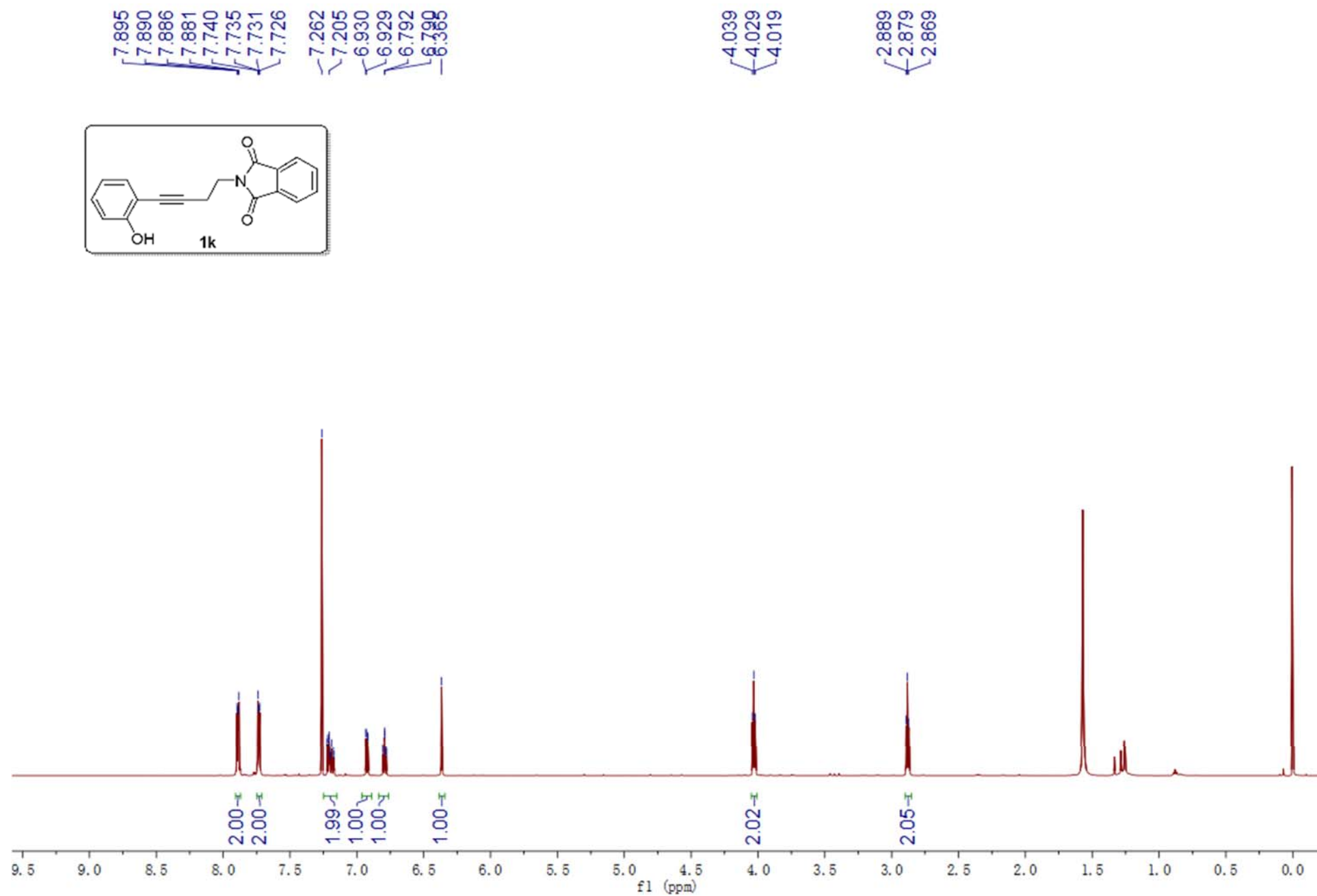
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CCDC No.	1894582	1960048	1883891
Empirical formula	C ₂₁ H ₁₅ N O ₅	C ₂₁ H ₁₄ N ₂ O ₇	2(C ₁₉ H ₁₂ O ₂ S), H ₂ O
Formula weight	361.34	406.34	626.71
Crystal system	triclinic	triclinic	monoclinic
Space group	P-1	P-1	C 1 2/c 1
Hall group	-p 1	-p 1	-C 2yc
a/Å	11.020(2)	6.914(4)	18.6651(5)
b/Å	11.052(2)	10.600(8)	9.1102(3)
c/Å	16.364(3)	13.029(10)	18.3035(5)
α /°	106.830(16)	99.77(3)	90
β /°	104.080(16)	96.31(2)	108.2240(1)
γ /°	100.237(15)	92.38(4)	90
Volume	1782.9(6)	933.5(11)	2956.26(15)
Z	4	2	4
Temperature/K	296(2)	296(2)	170(2)
X-ray wavelength/Å	0.71073	0.71073	0.71073
2 θ range for data collection/°	1.97 to 29.24	2.73 to 26.47	2.30 to 32.55
Crystal color	yellow	yellow	colourless
ρ Calcd g/m ³	1.346	1.446	1.408
μ /mm ⁻¹	0.097	0.111	0.227

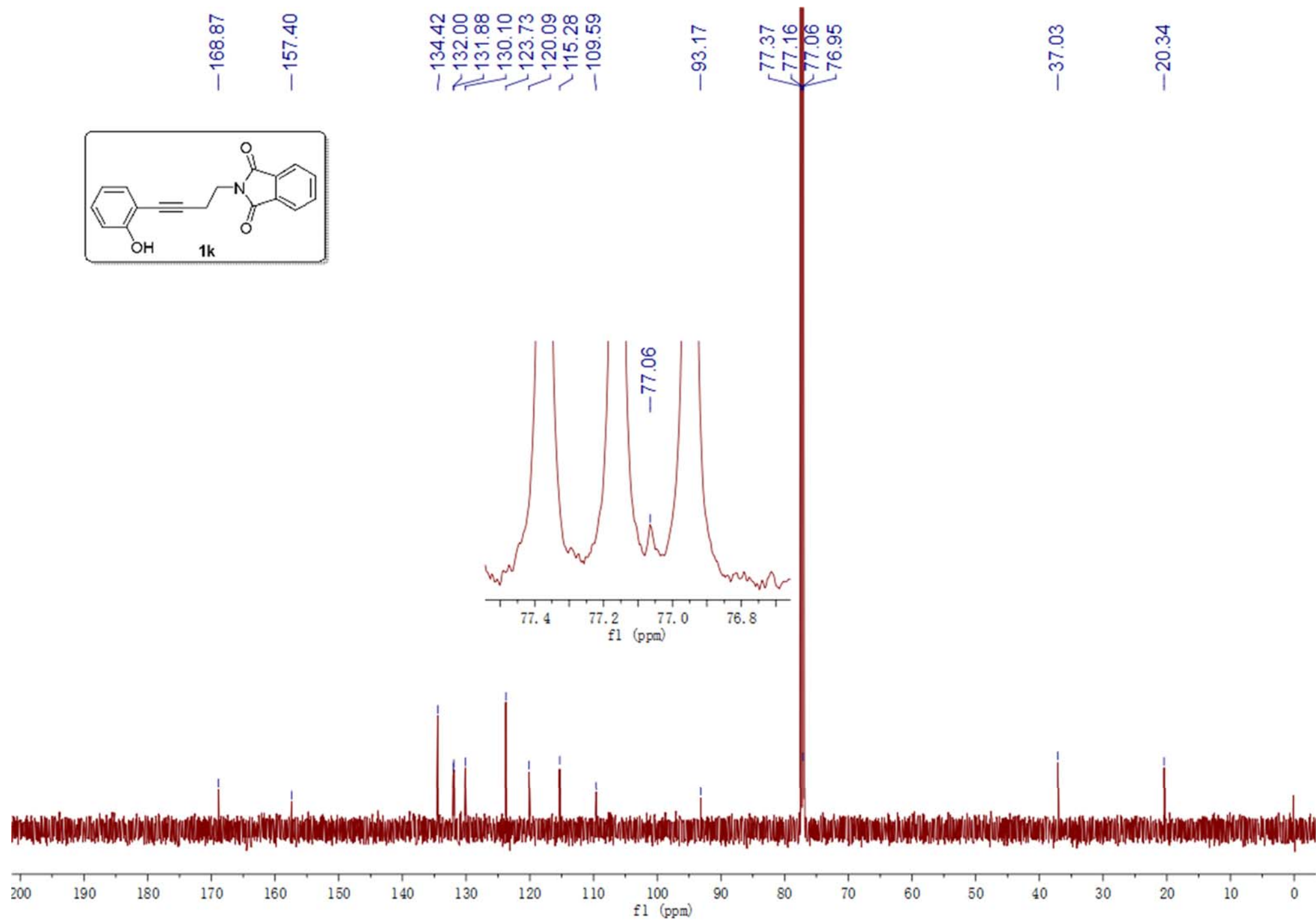
Max. transmission	0.964	0.989	0.979
Min. transmission	0.954	0.968	0.911
F ₀₀₀	752	420	1304
Crystal_size/mm ³	0.49×0.46× 0.38	0.30×0.16×0.10	0.42×0.38×0.10
Radiation	MoK α	MoK α	MoK α
Independent reflections I > 2 σ (I)	4355	3064	4170
Independent reflections	6500	4125	5380
Index ranges	−13 ≤ h ≤ 11	−8 ≤ h ≤ 8	−22 ≤ h ≤ 28
	−13 ≤ k ≤ 11	−13 ≤ k ≤ 13	−13 ≤ k ≤ 10
	−15 ≤ l ≤ 19	−16 ≤ l ≤ 16	−27 ≤ l ≤ 27
Data/restraints/parameters	6500/0/487	4125/0/283	5380/13/253
Final R indexes R [I>2 σ (I)] _{gt}	R1 = 0.0526	R1 = 0.0582	R1 = 0.0471
	wR2 = 0.1258	wR2 = 0.1572	wR2 = 0.1249
Final R indexes R [all data]	R1 = 0.0835	R1 = 0.0761	R1 = 0.0671
	wR2 = 0.1532	wR2 = 0.1752	wR2 = 0.1394
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.036	1.106	1.034
Largest peak/deepest hole eÅ ^{−3}	0.234/−0.234	0.265/−0.296	0.608/−0.313

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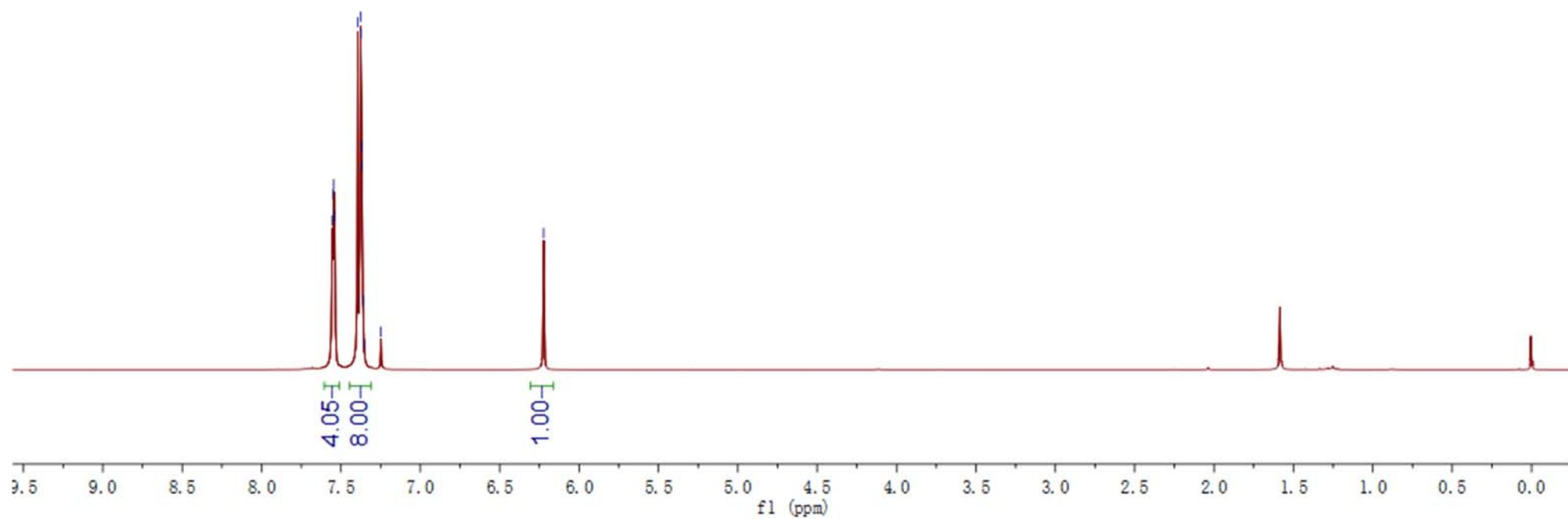
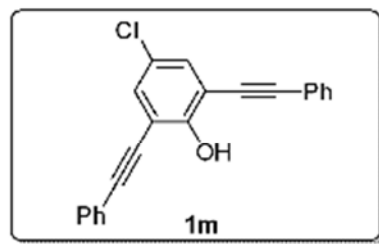
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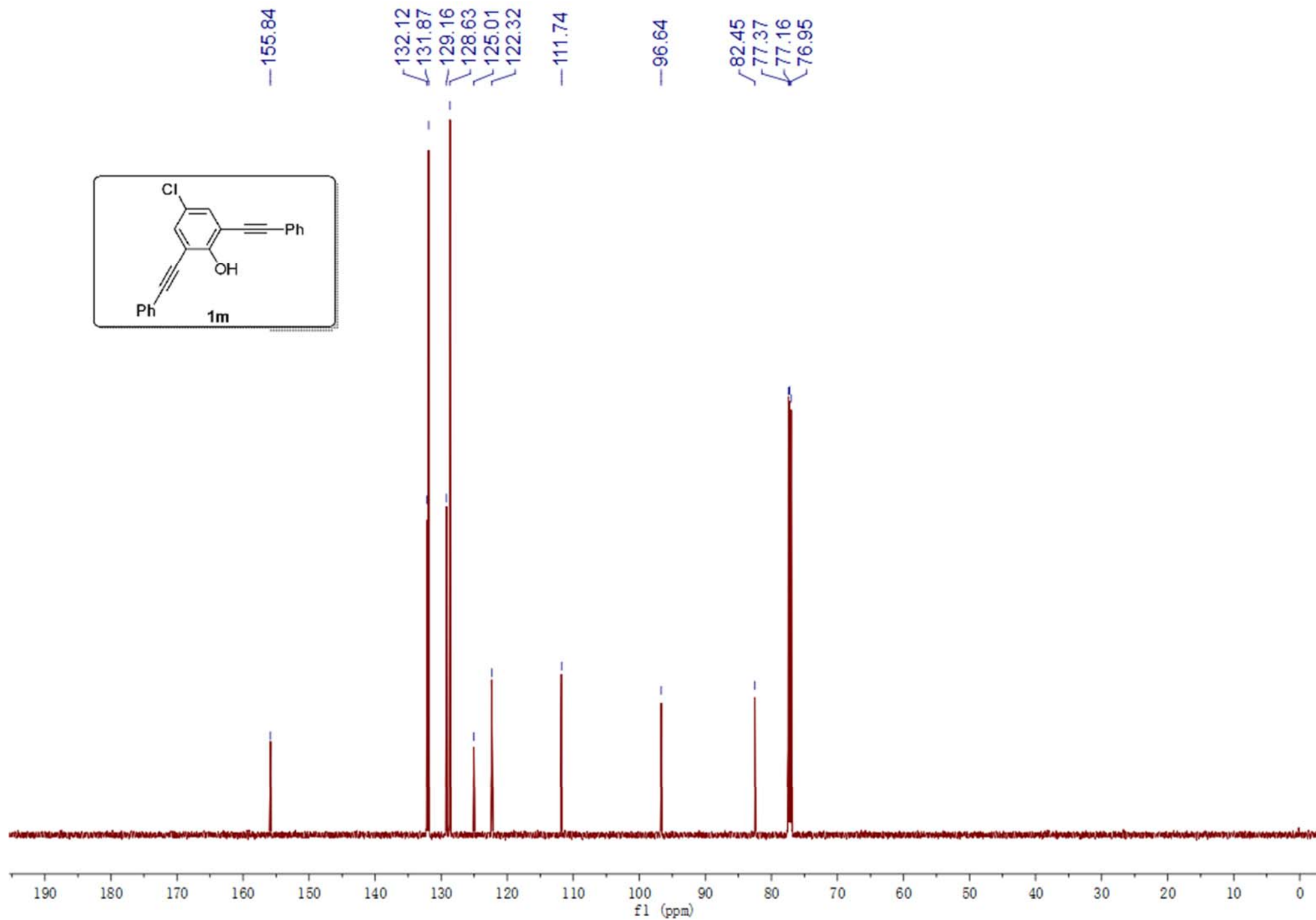
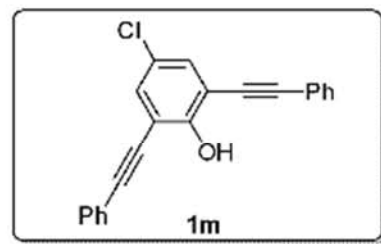
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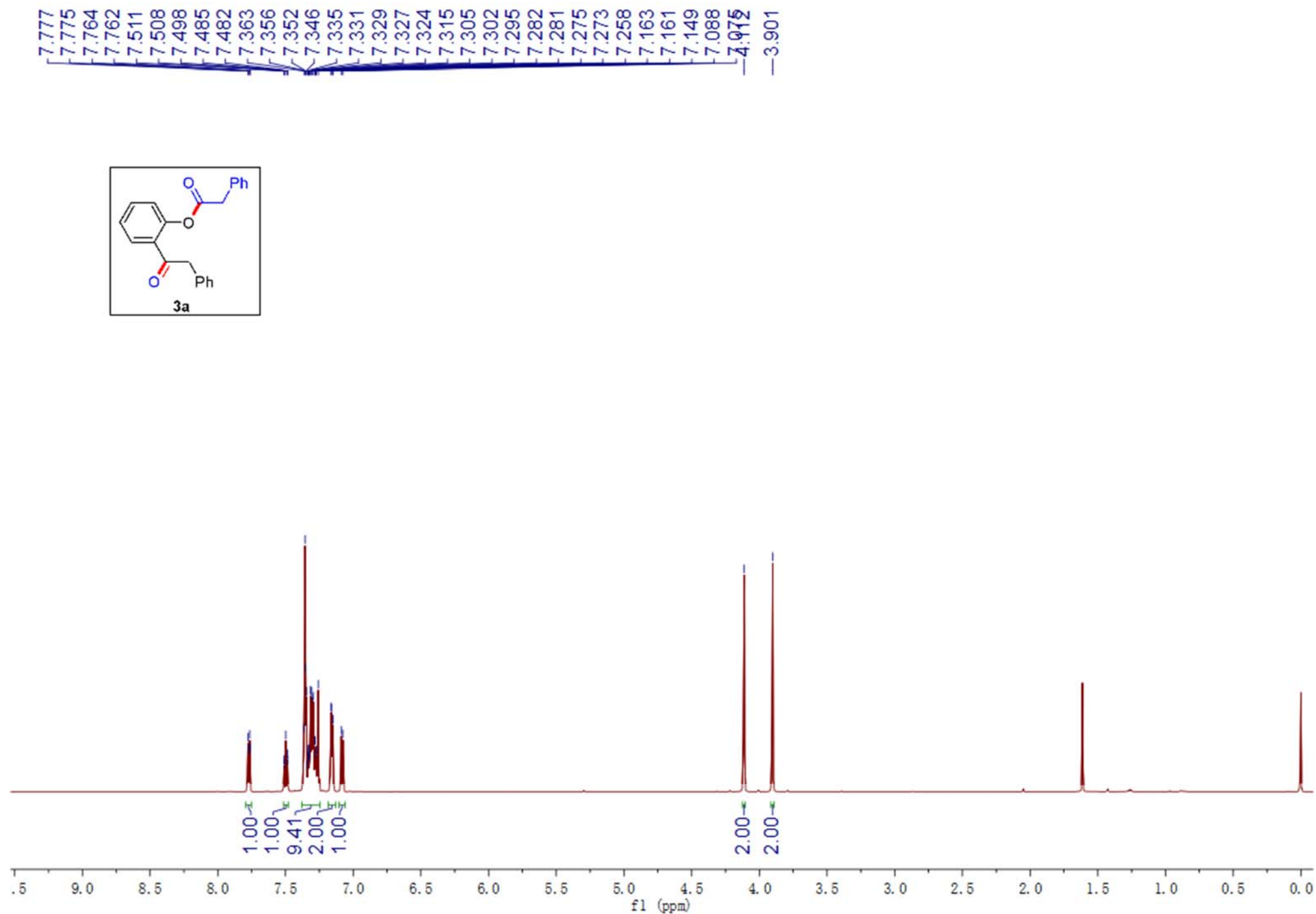


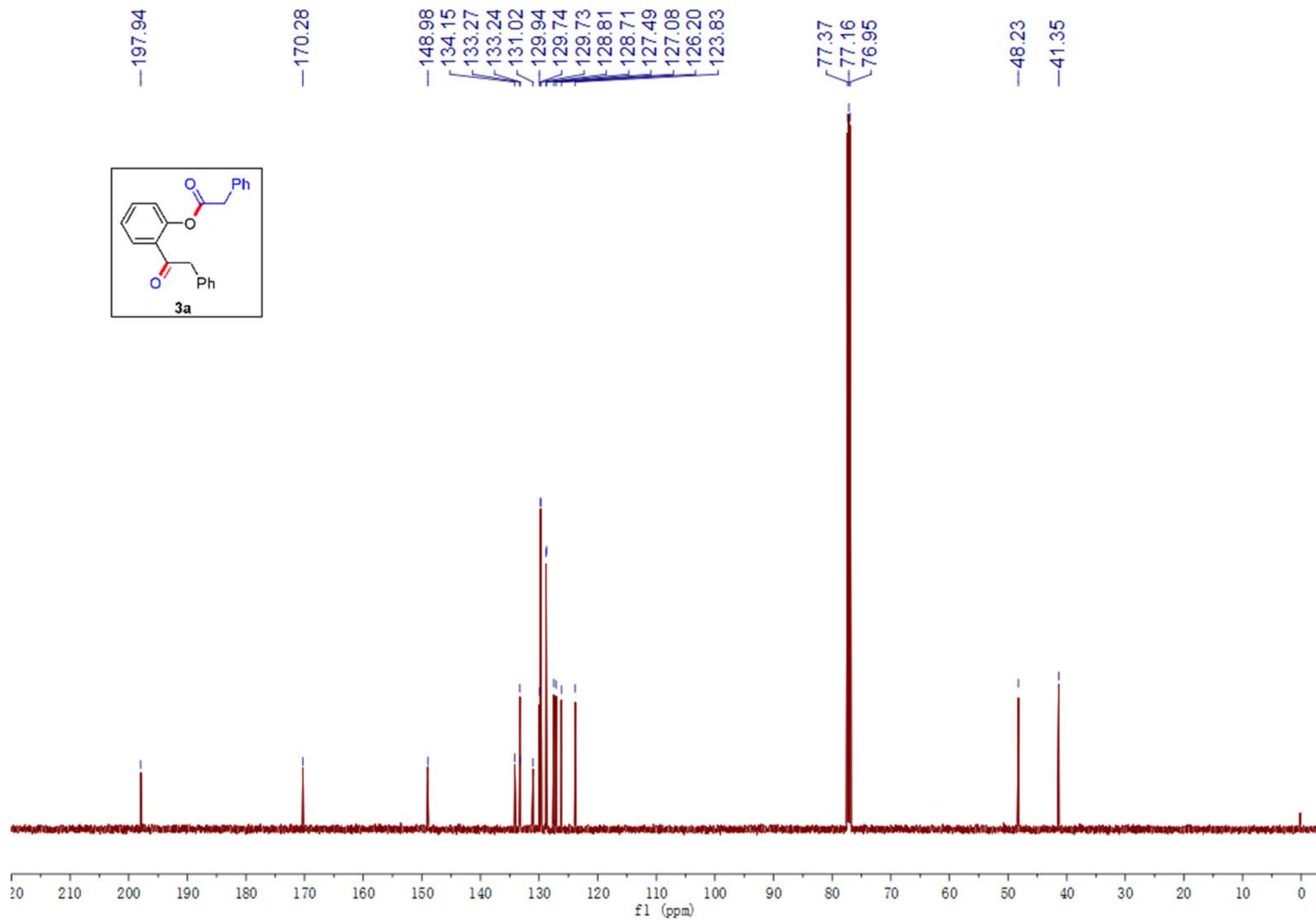
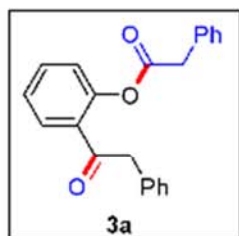


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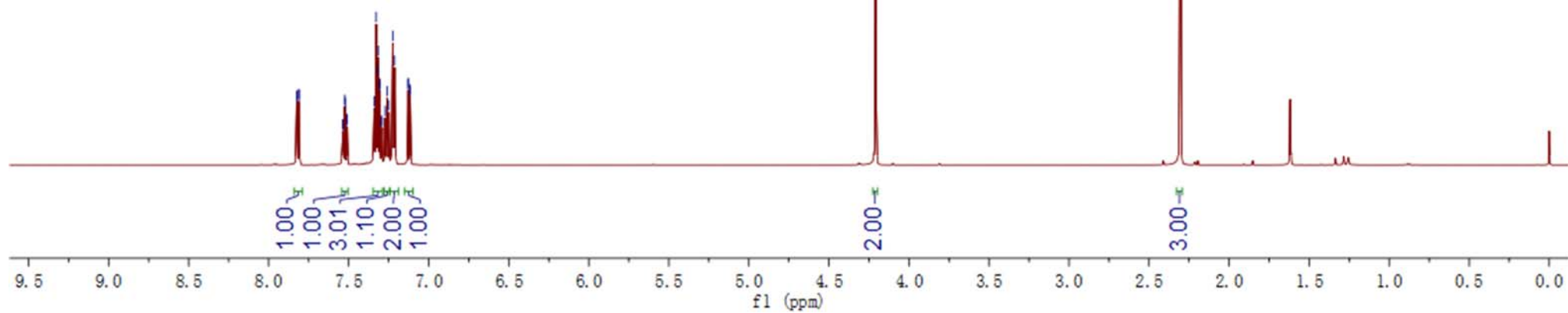
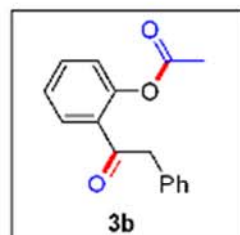


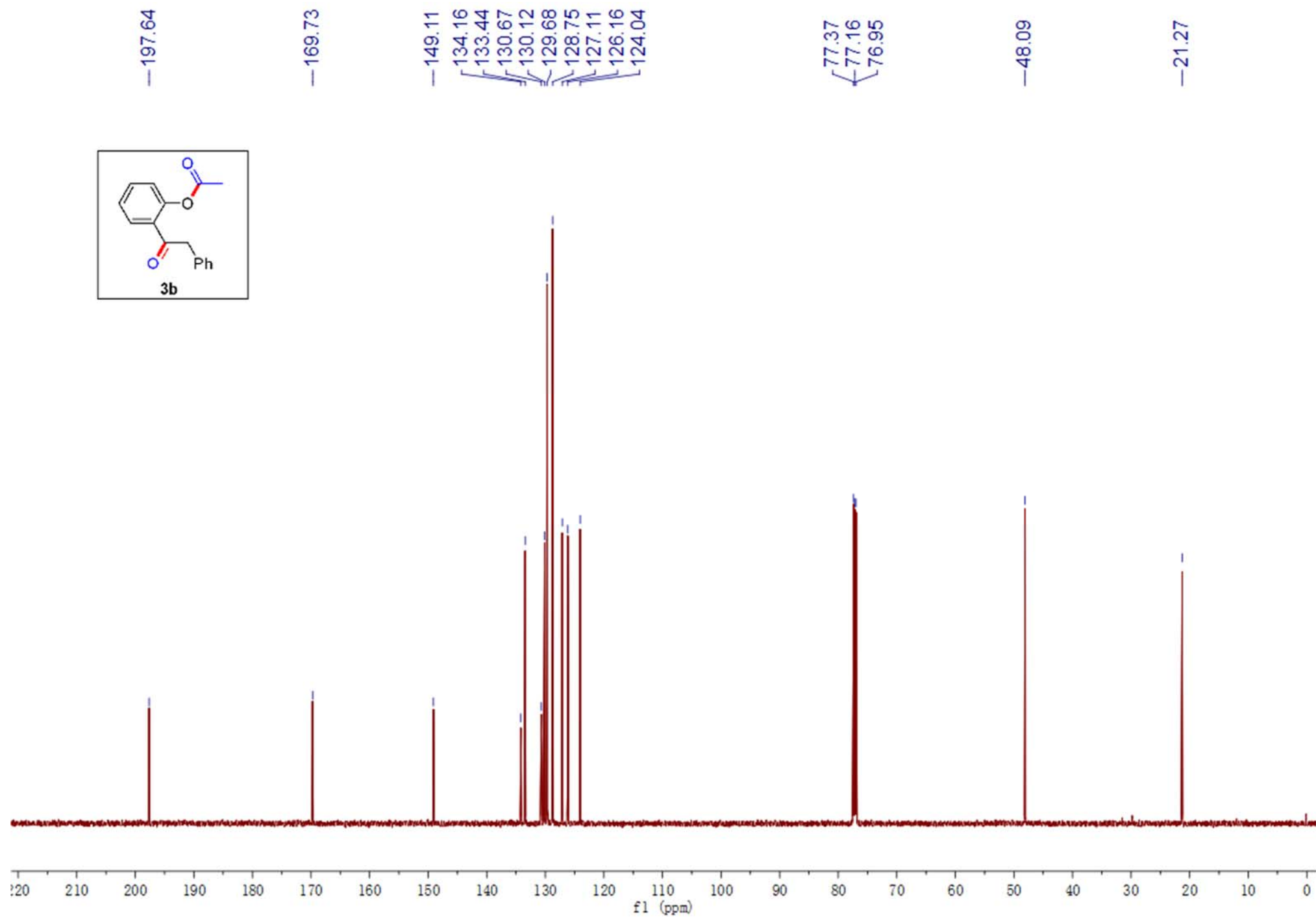
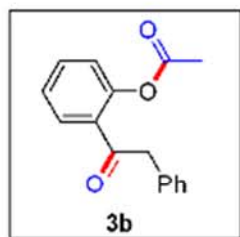


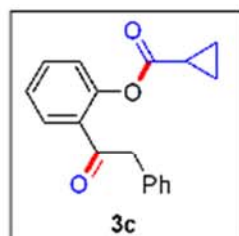
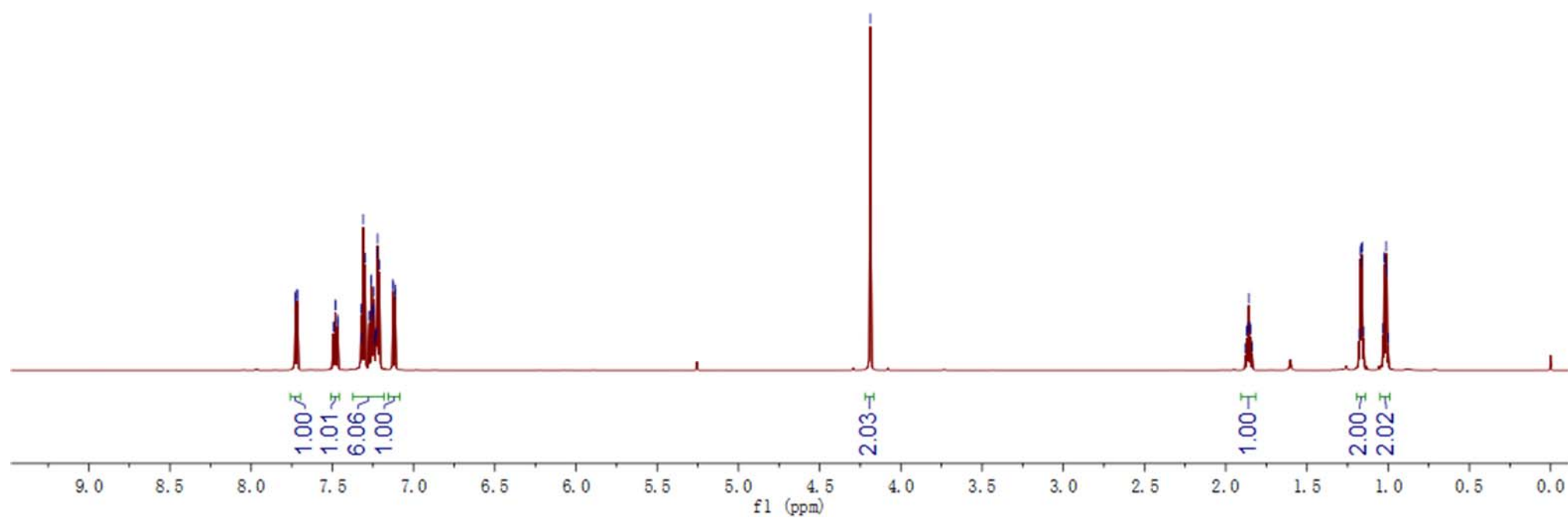
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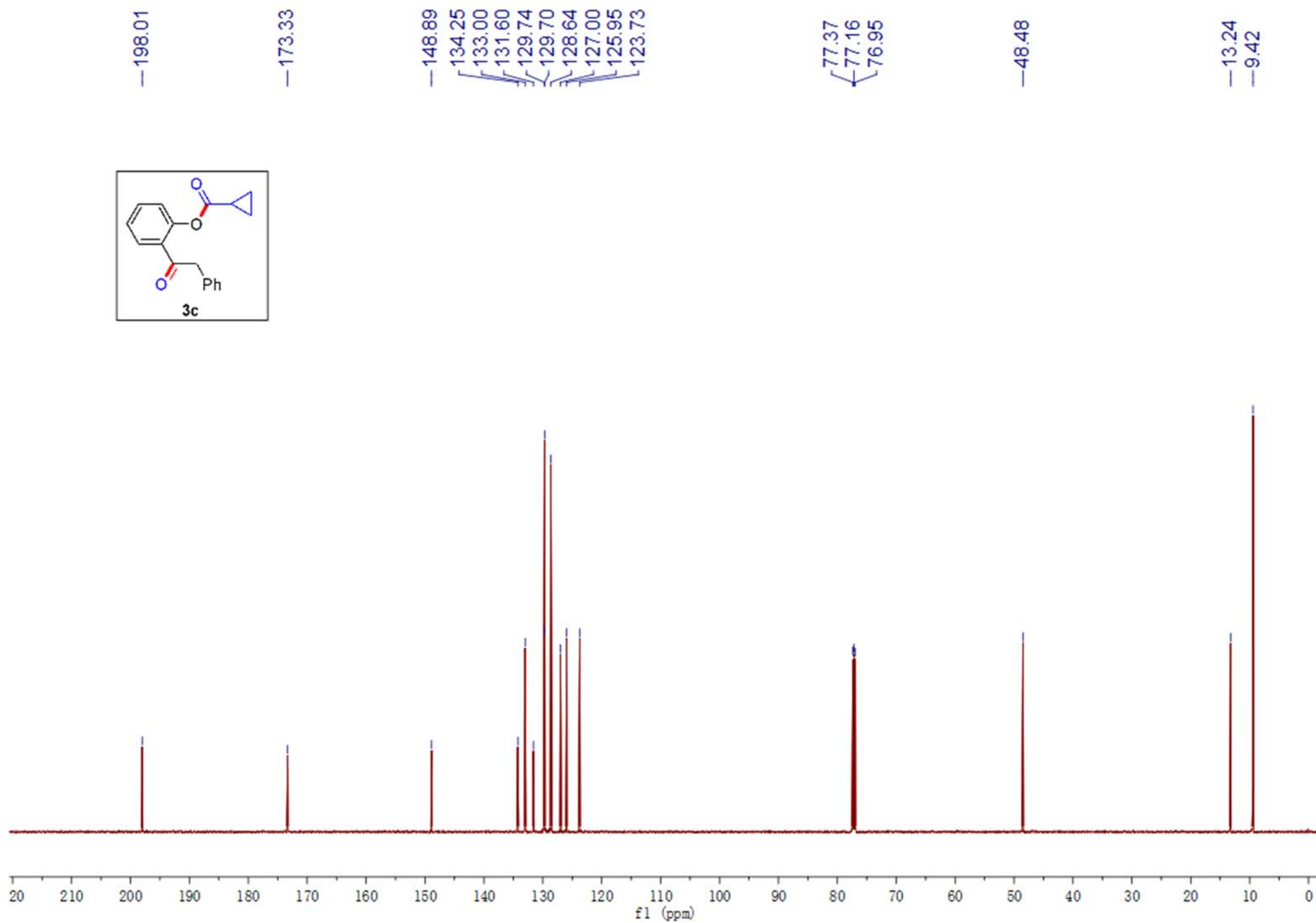
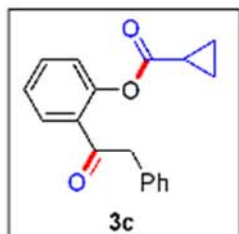


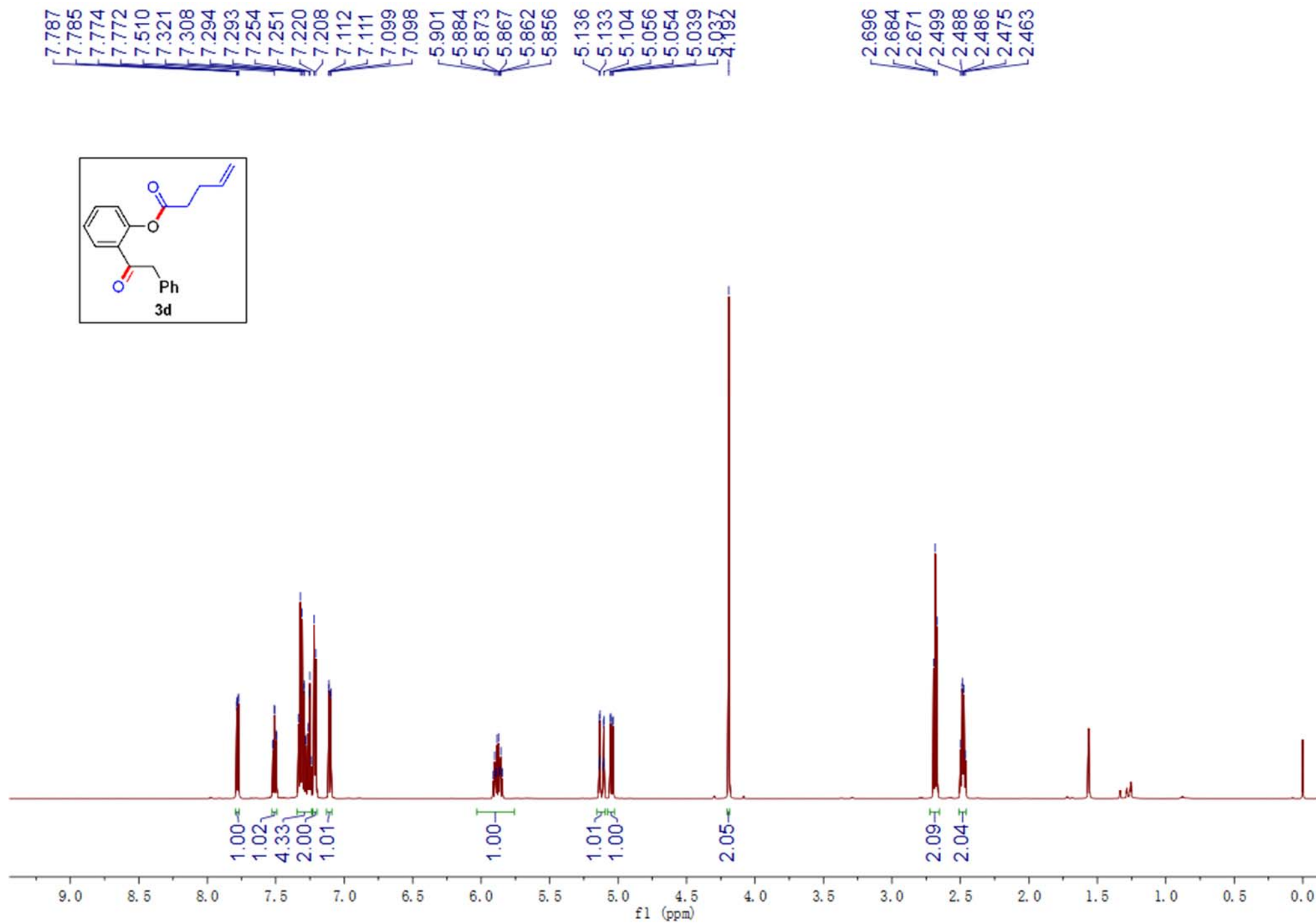


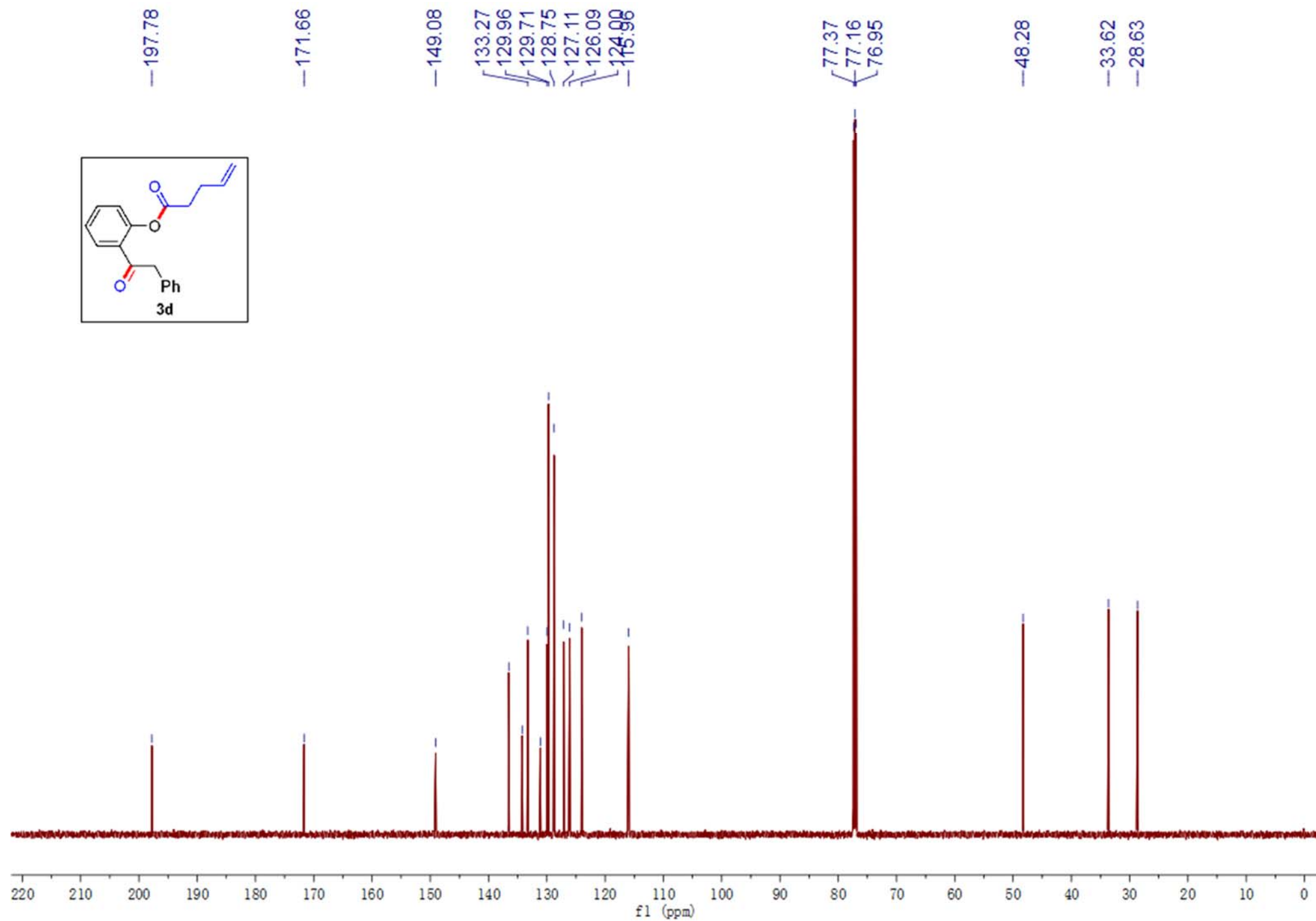
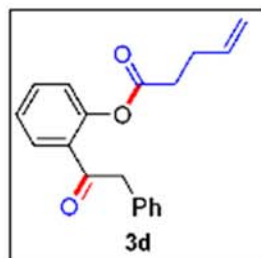
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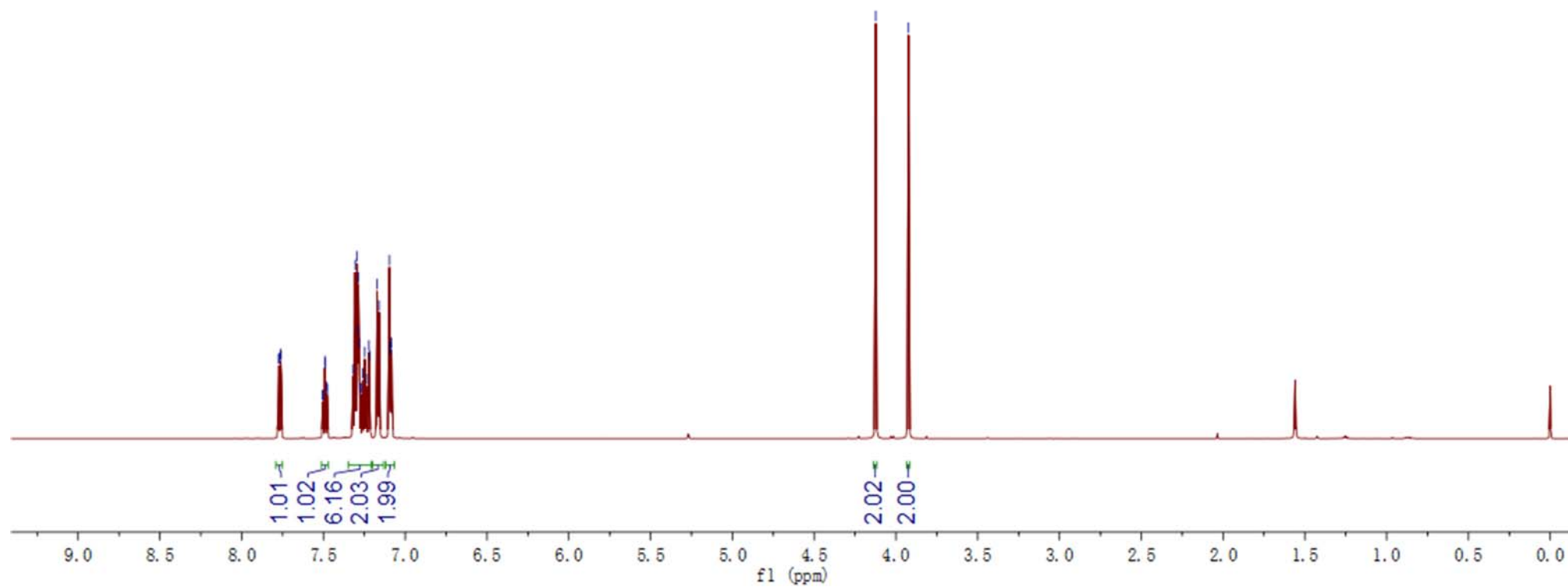
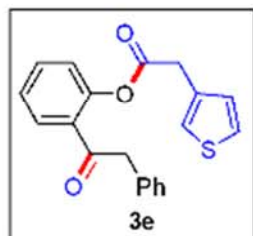


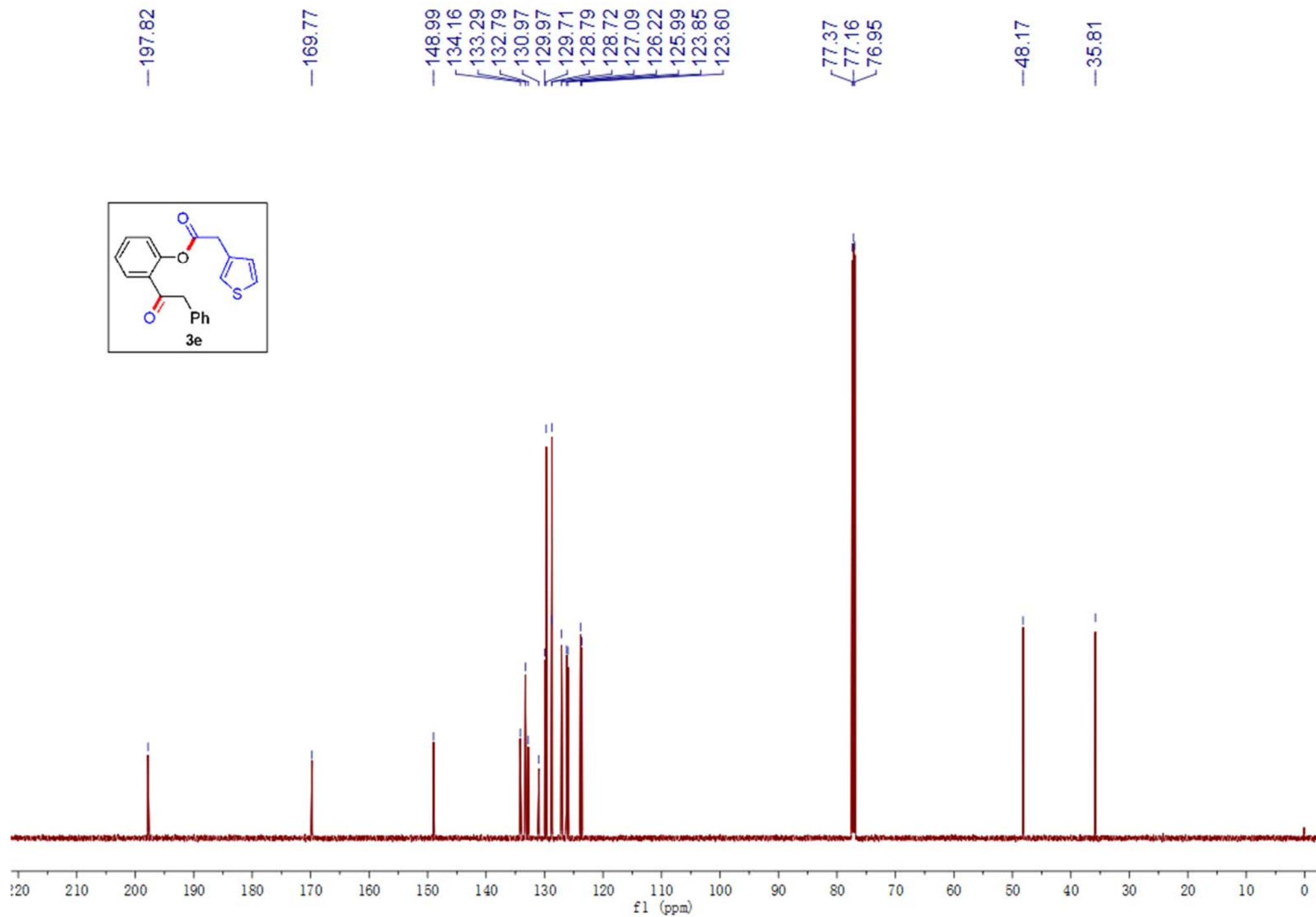
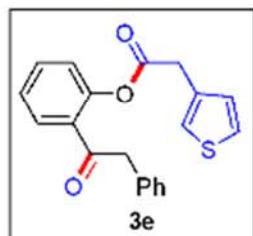


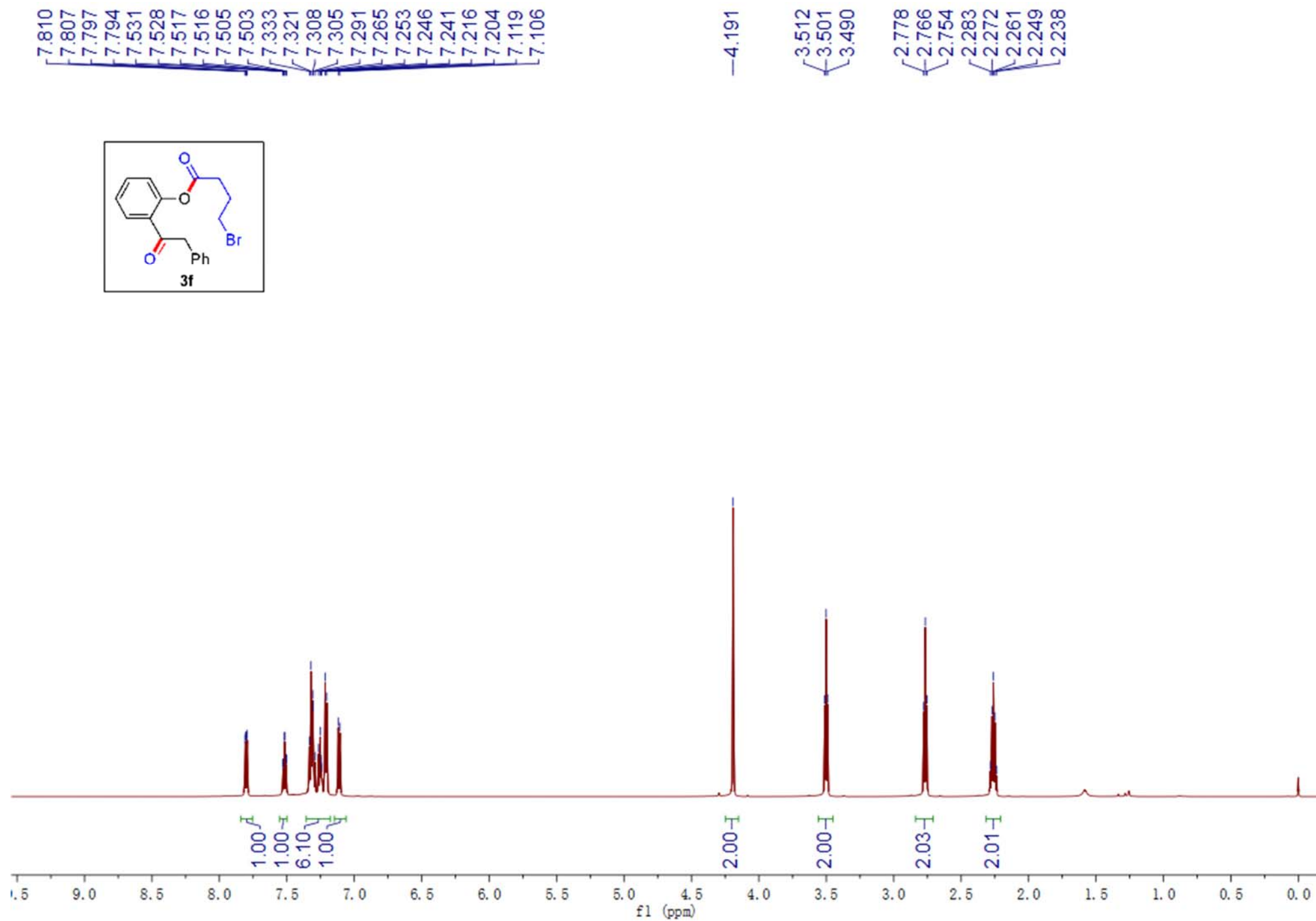


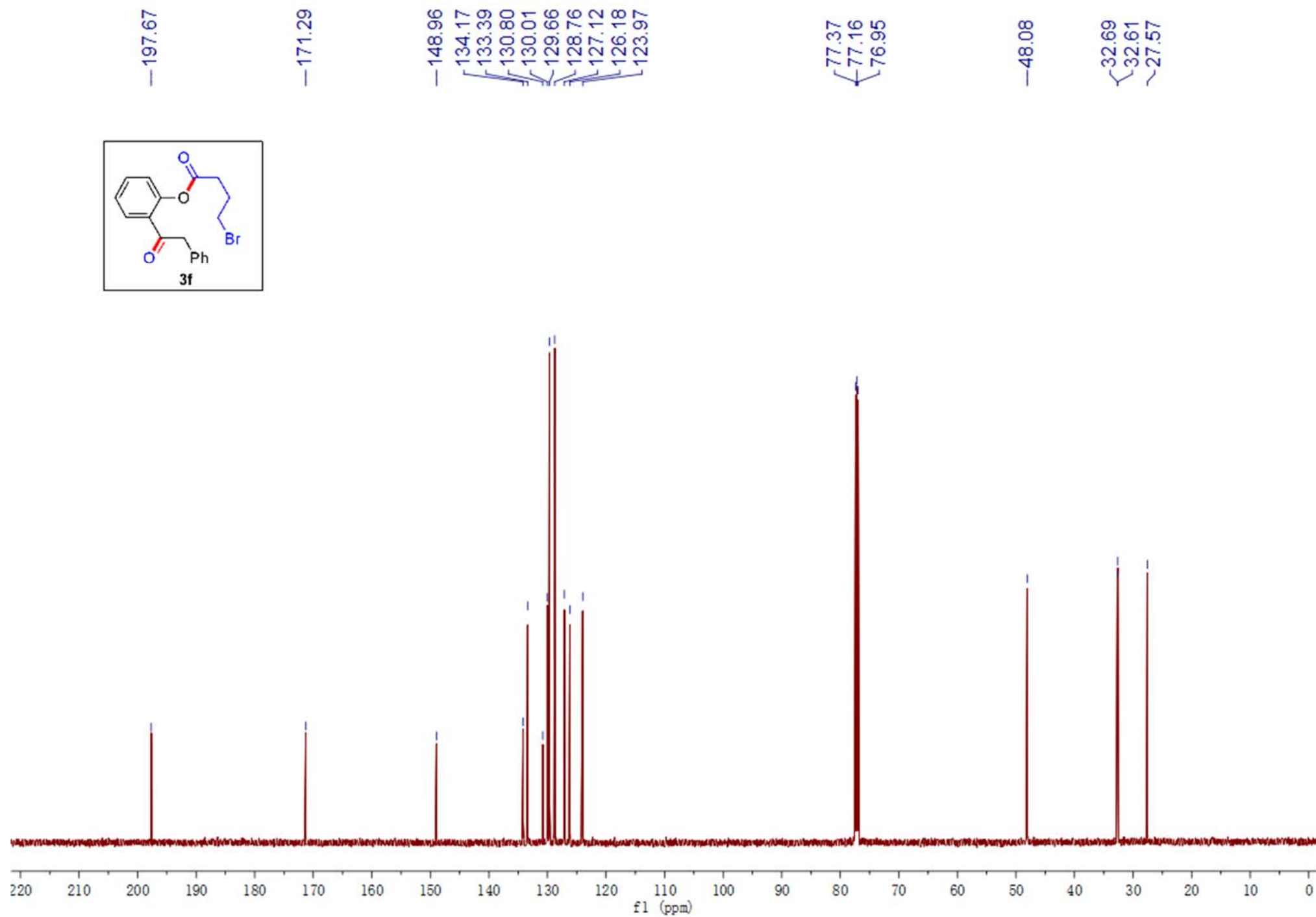
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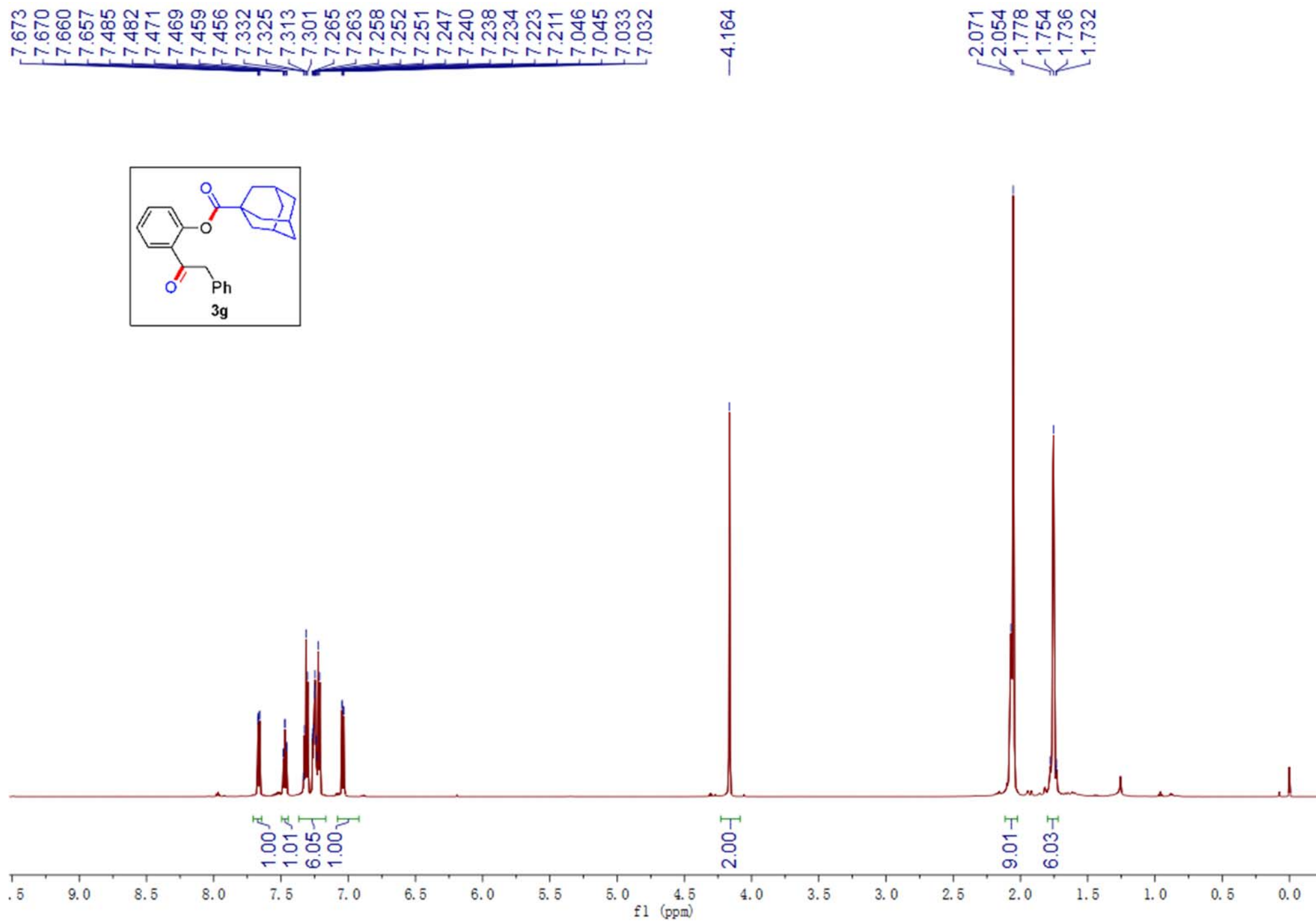
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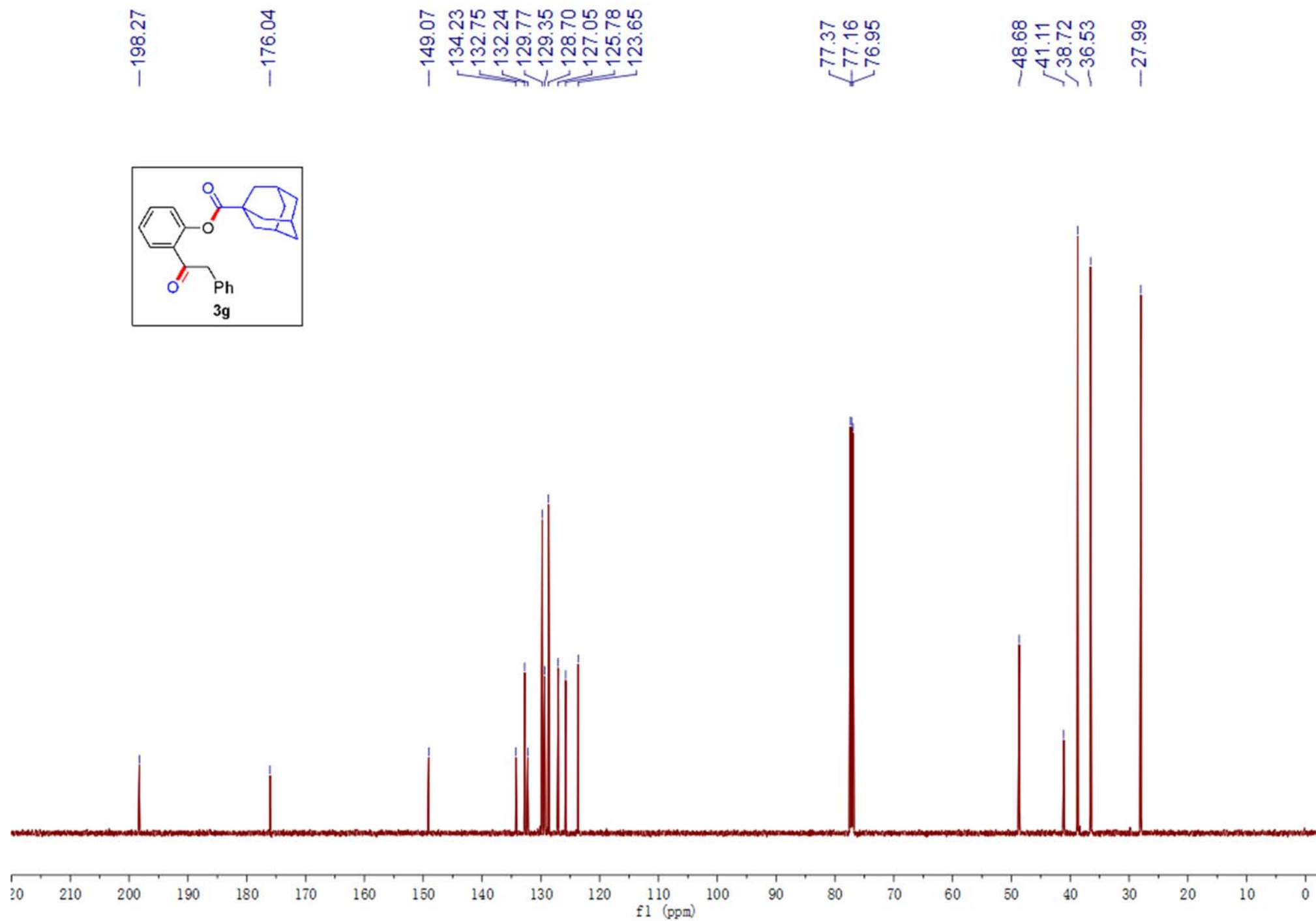
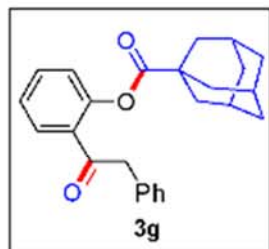


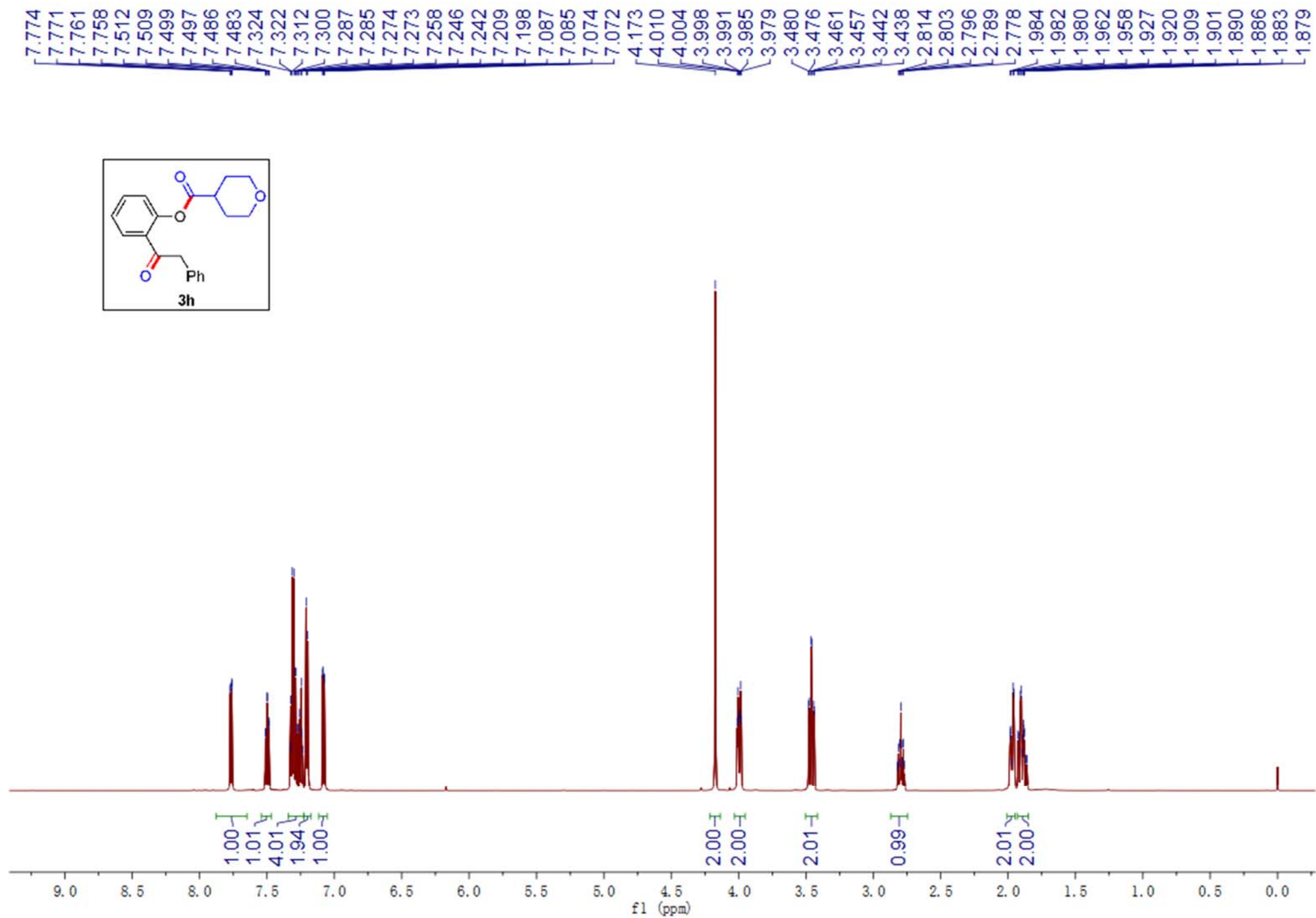


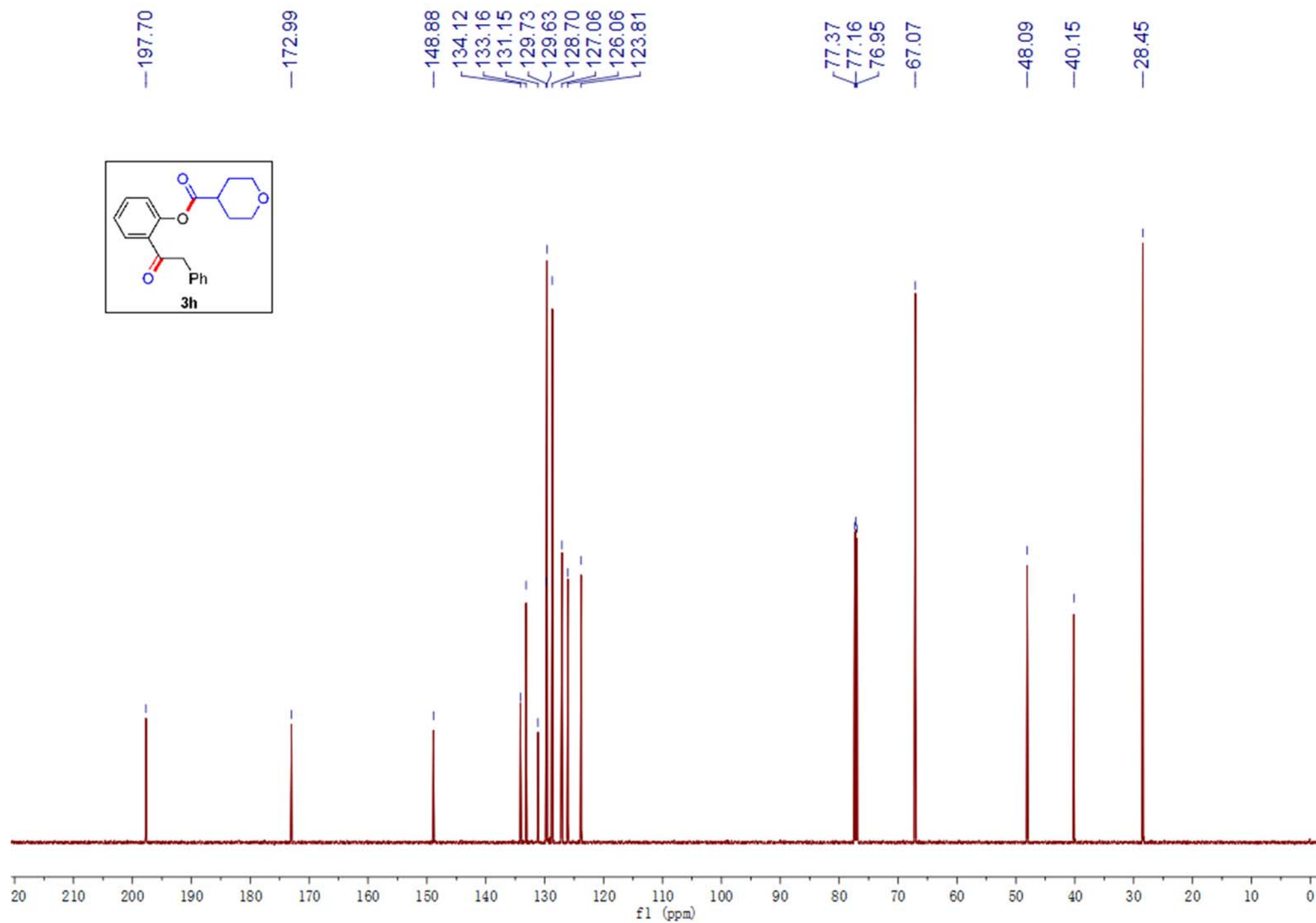
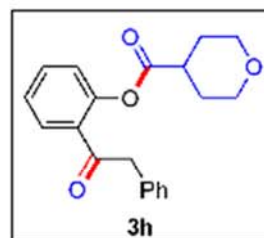


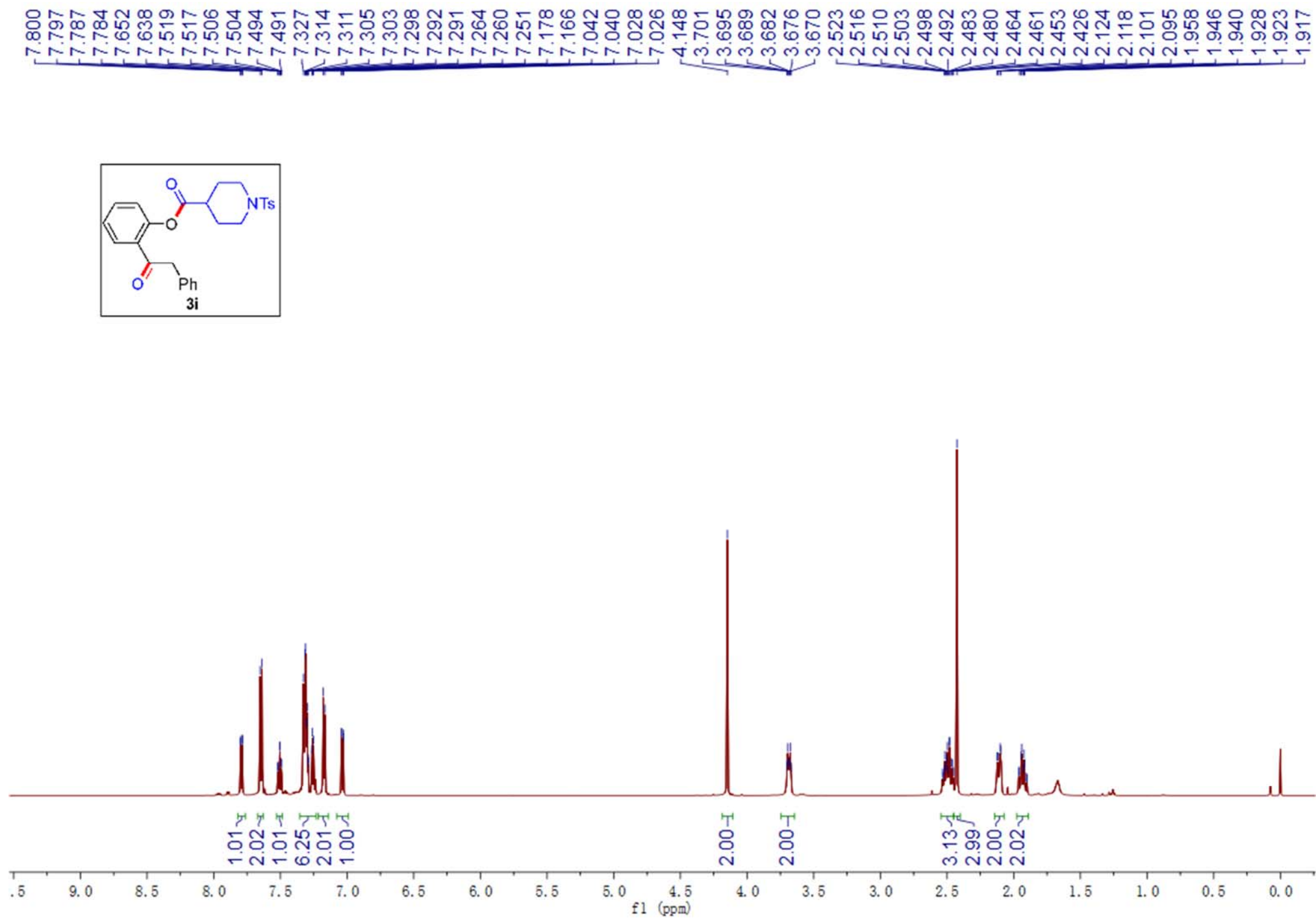


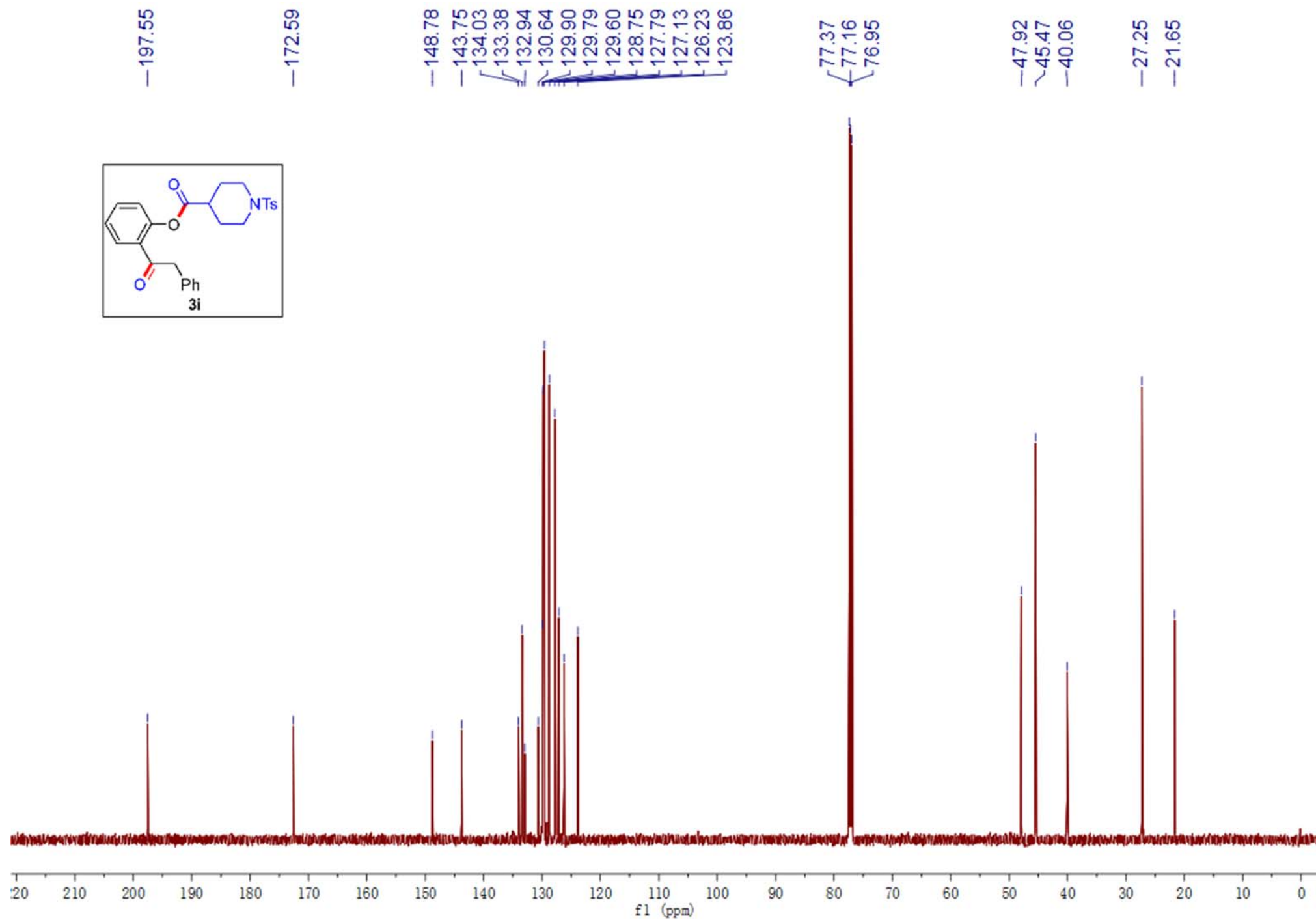
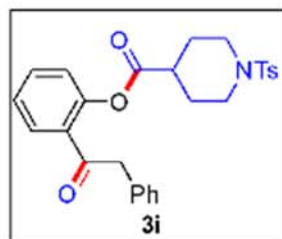


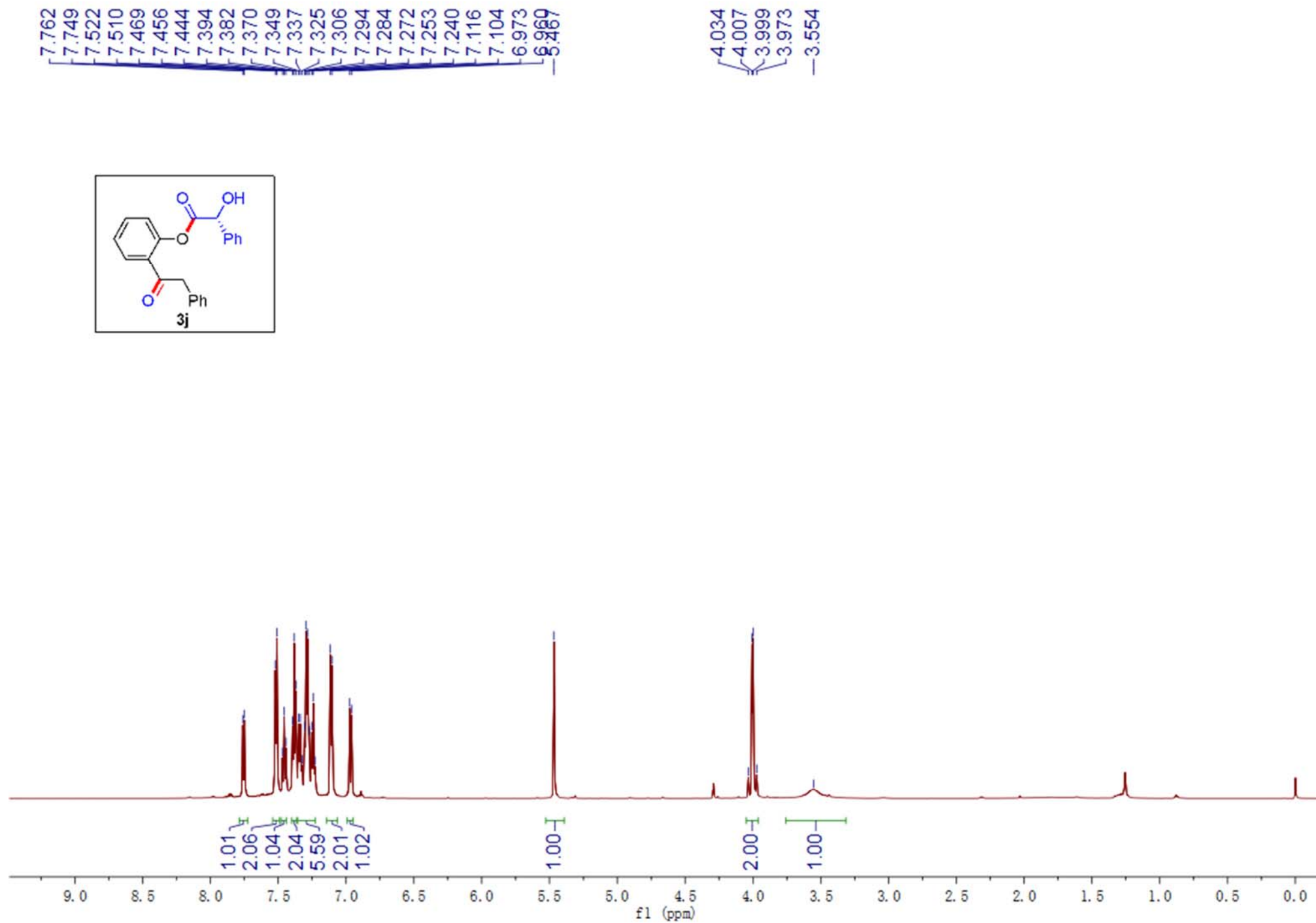


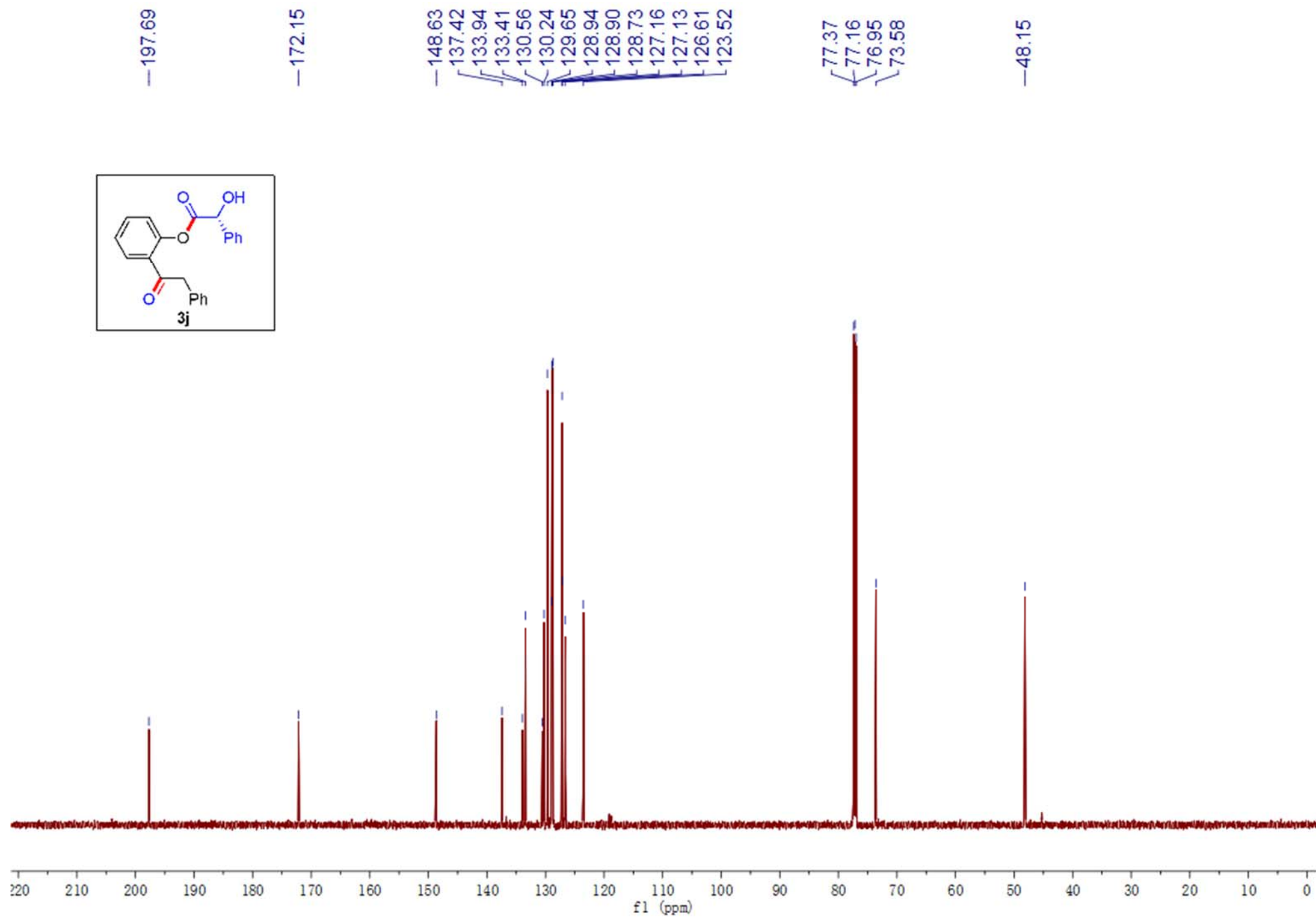
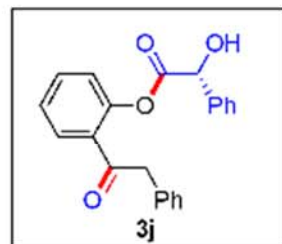


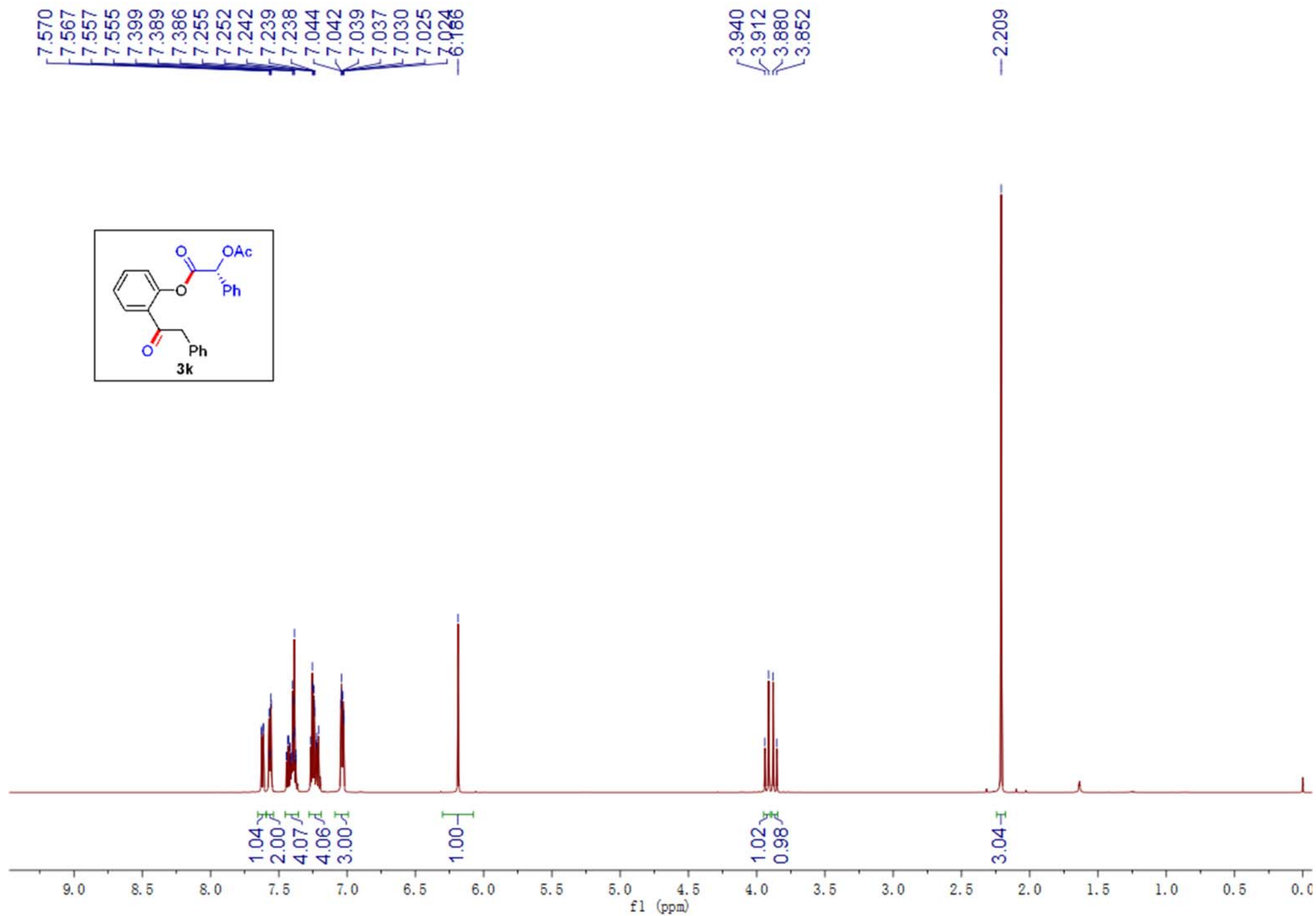


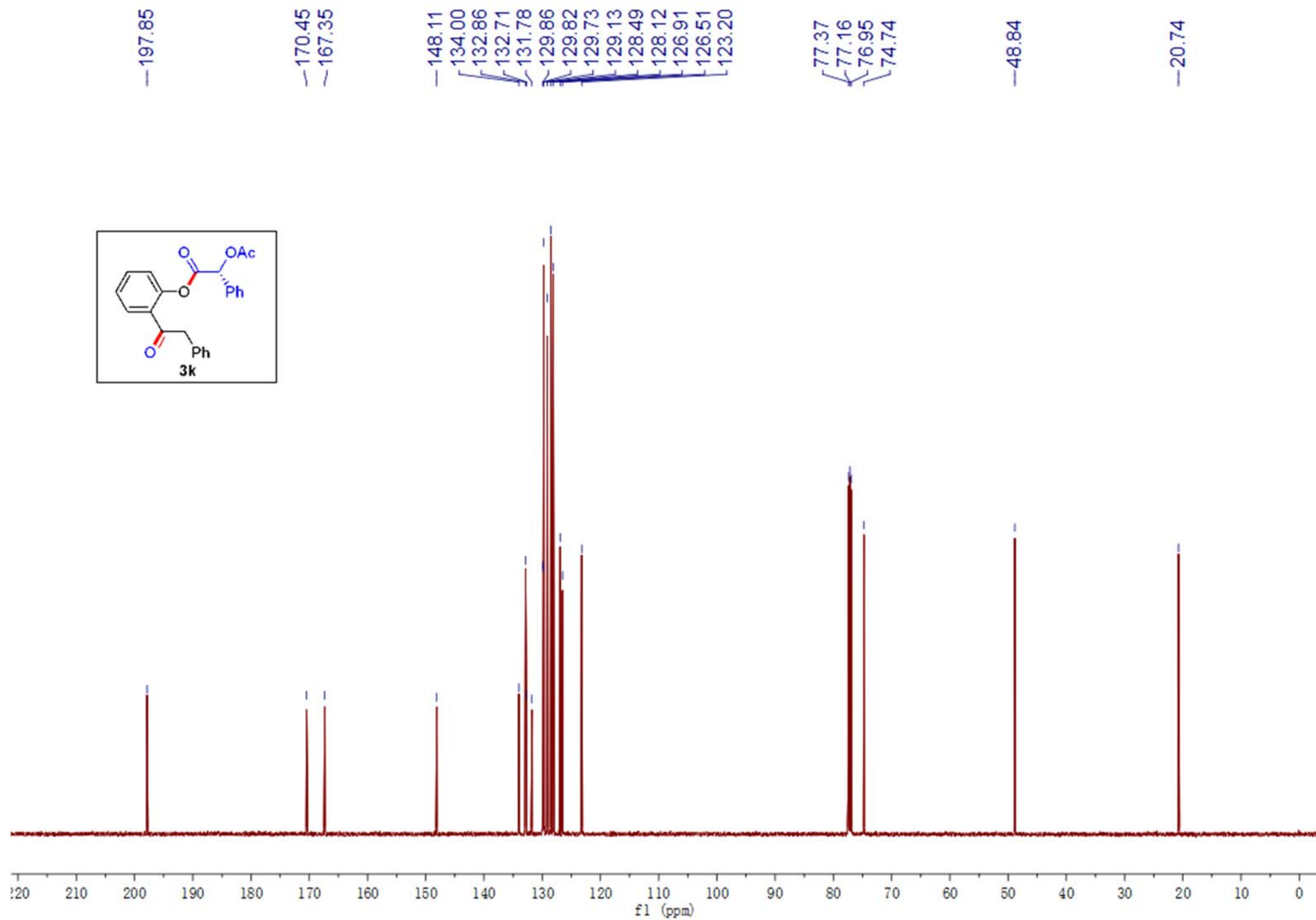


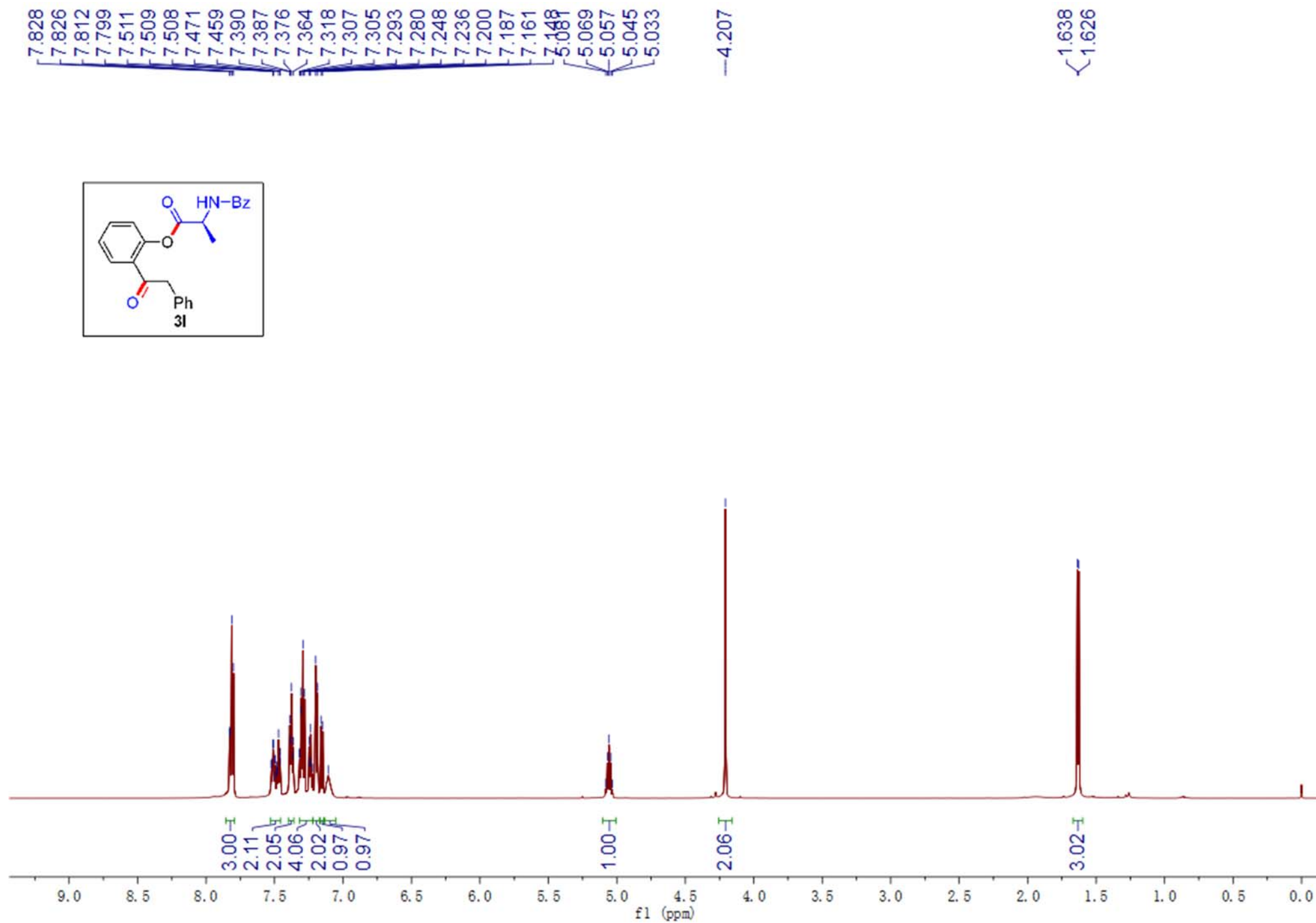


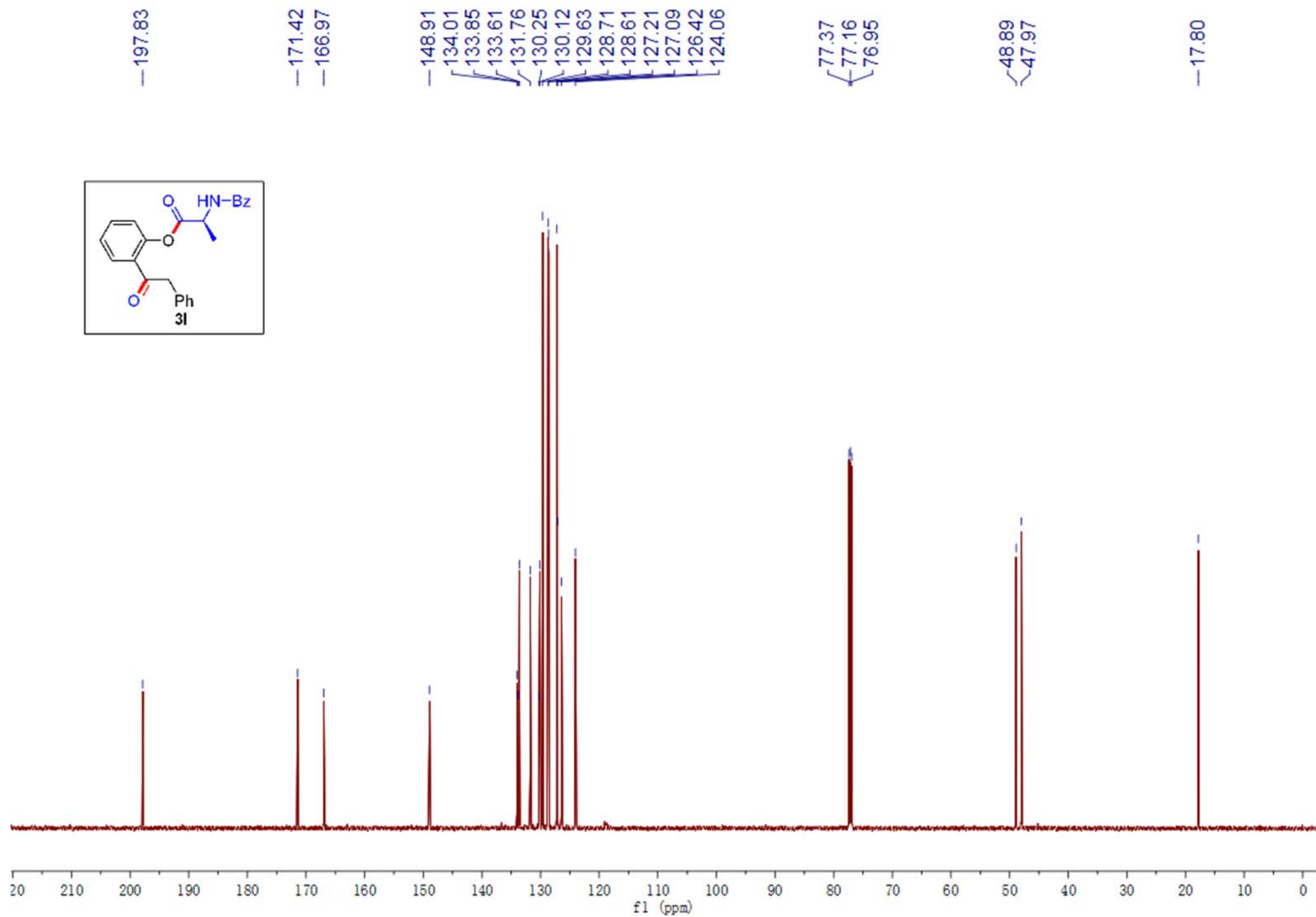


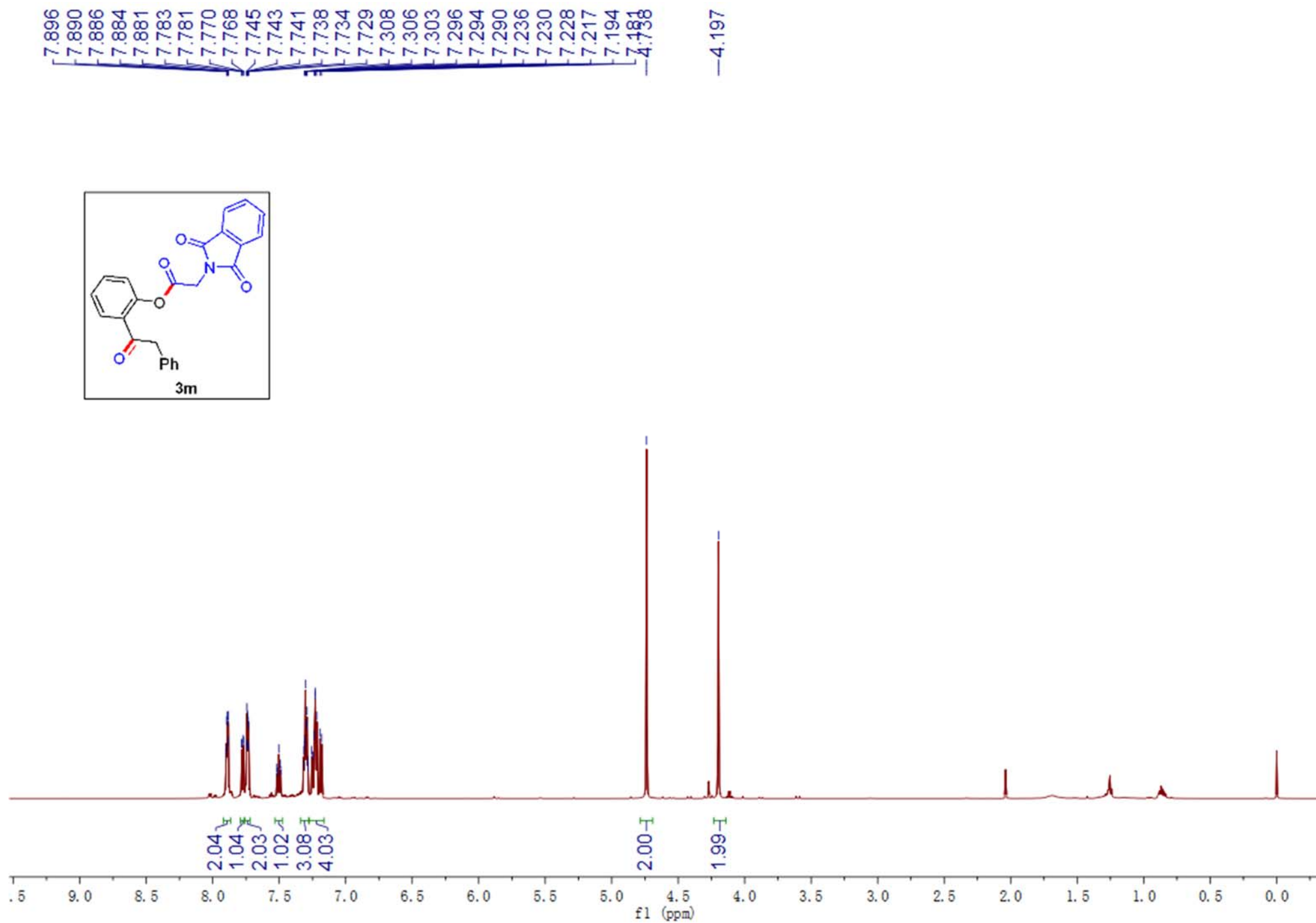


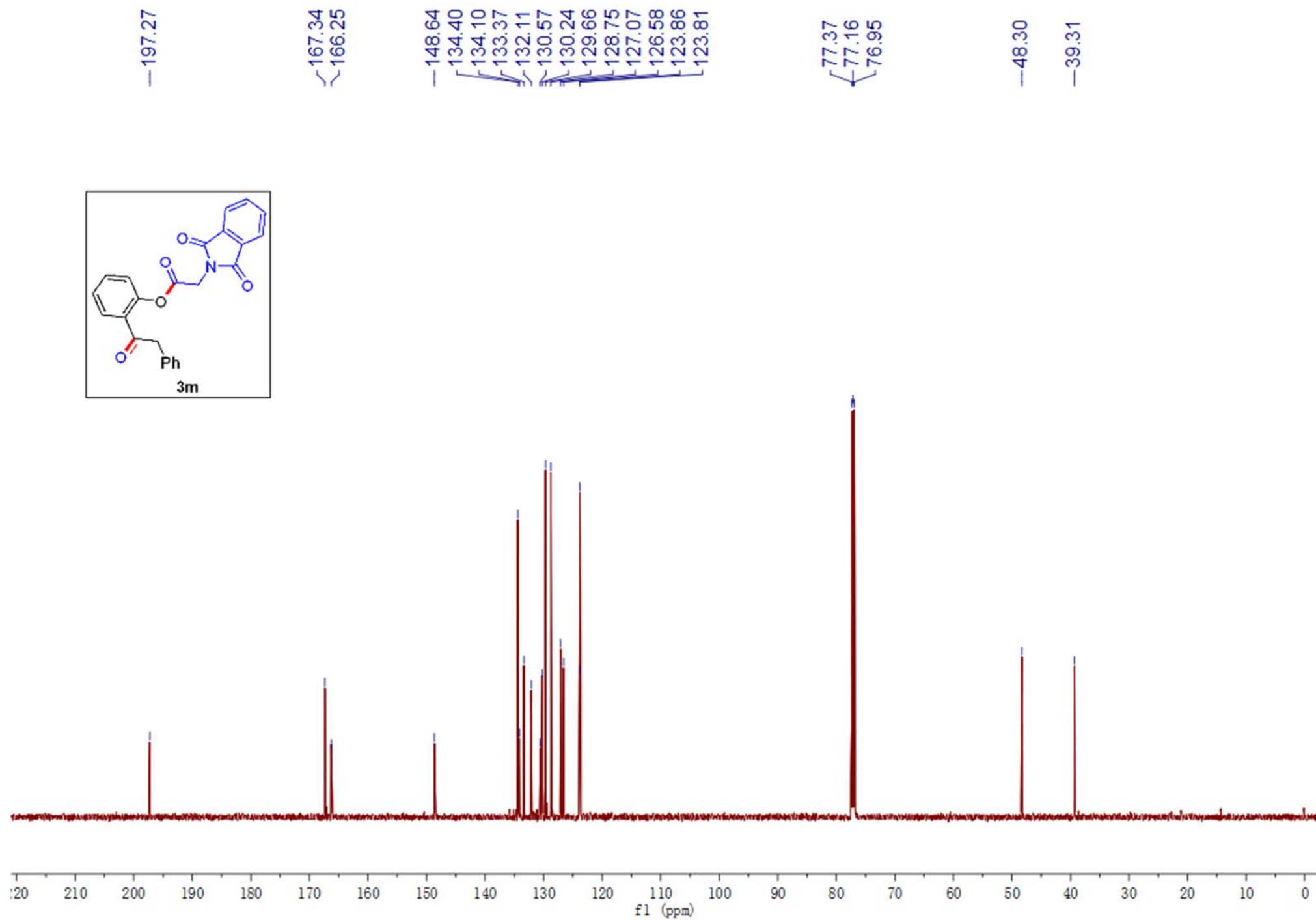
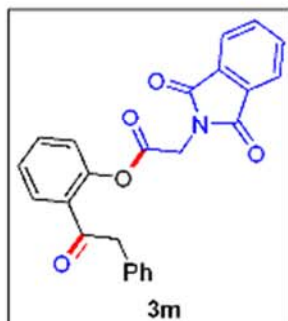


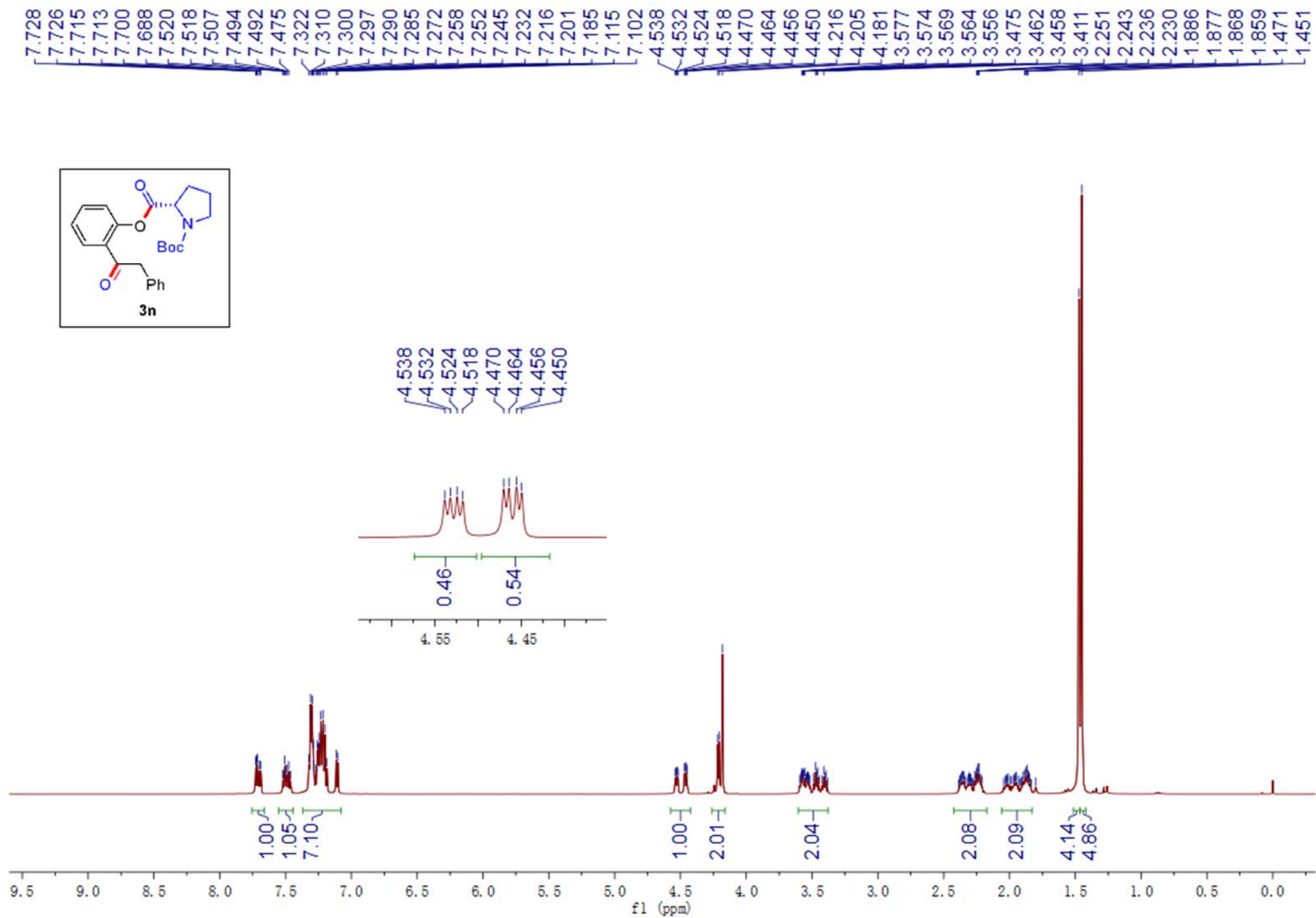


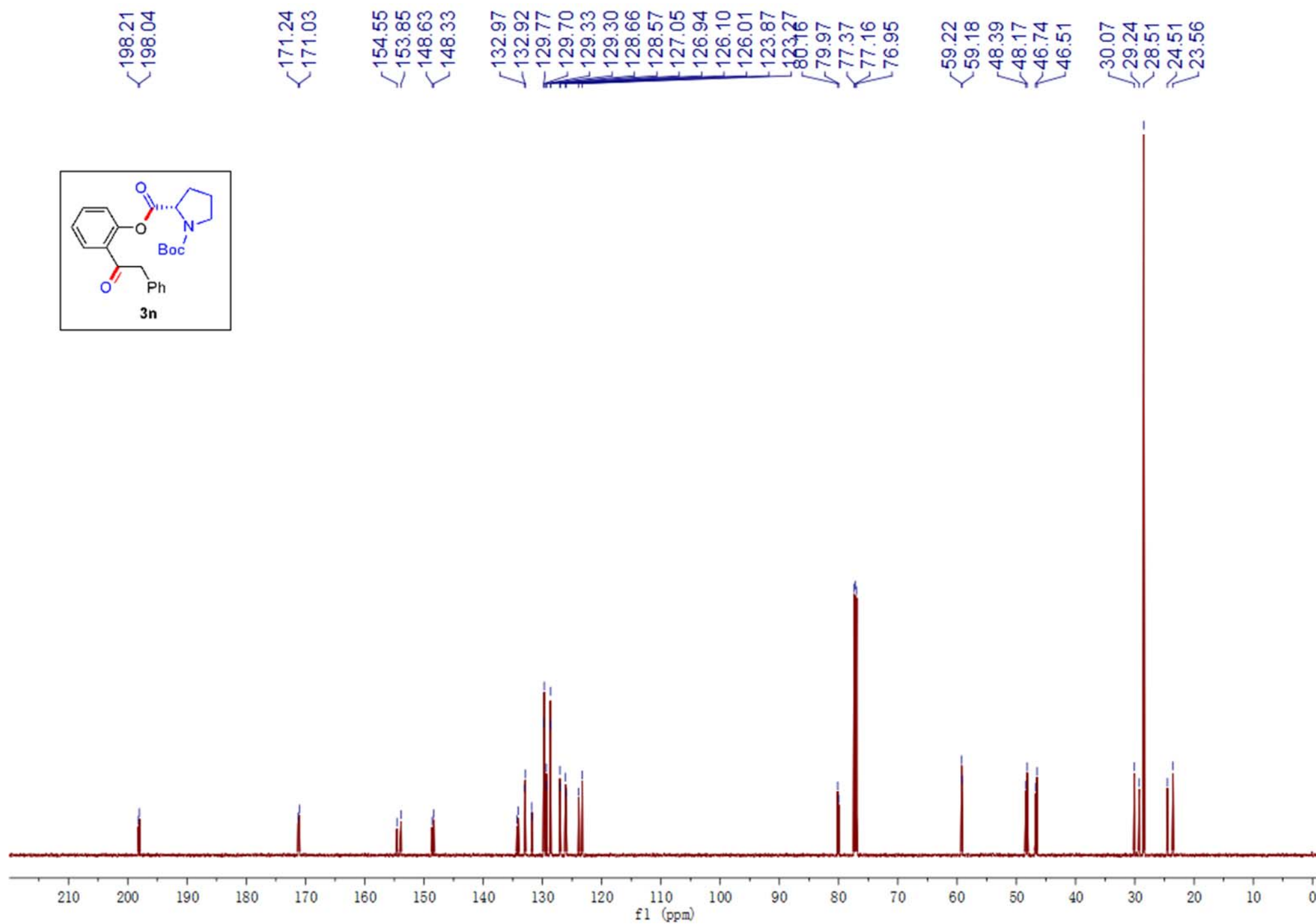
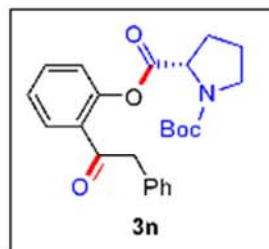


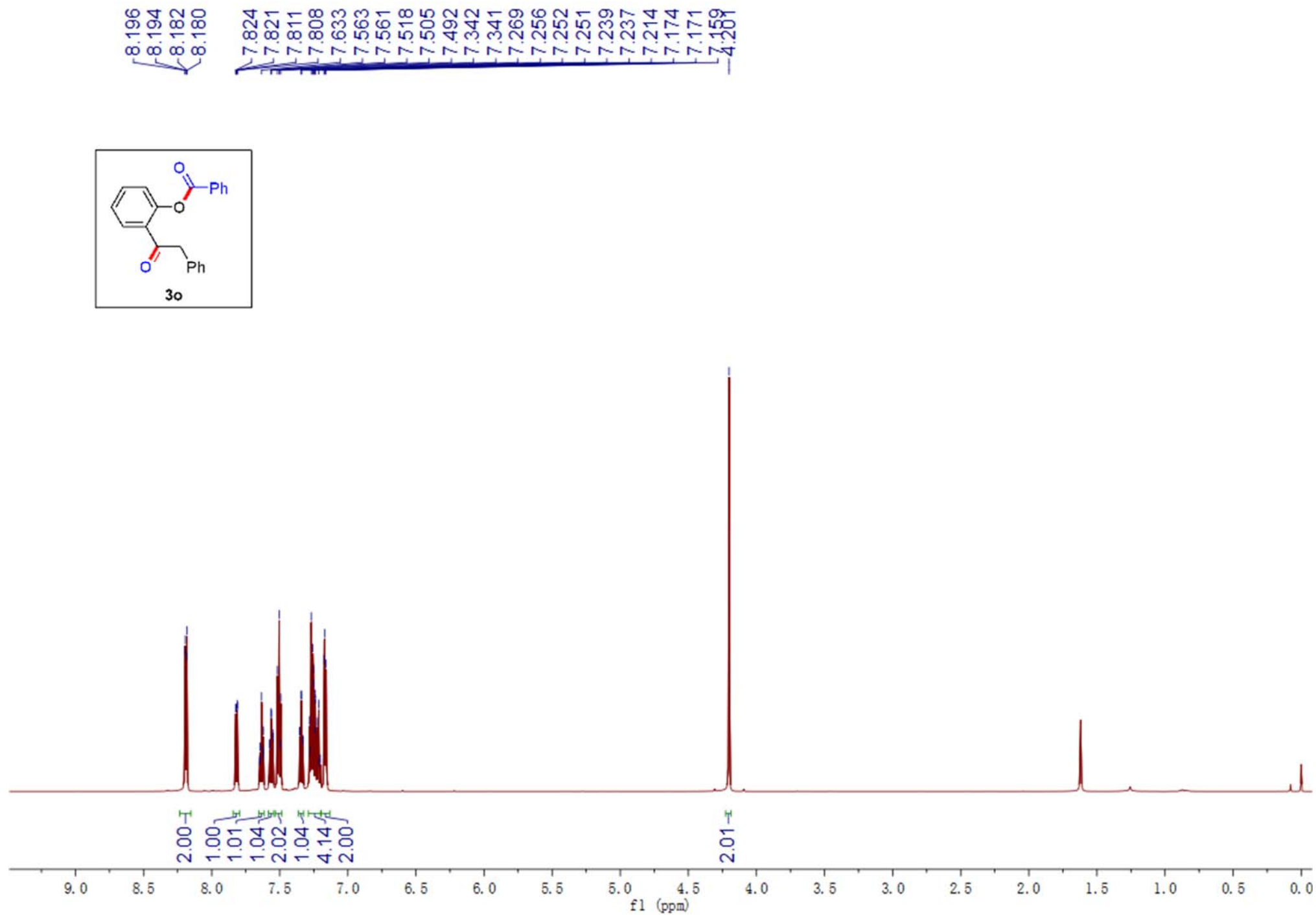
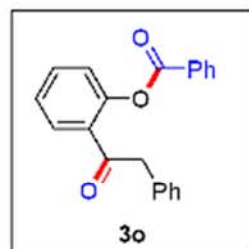


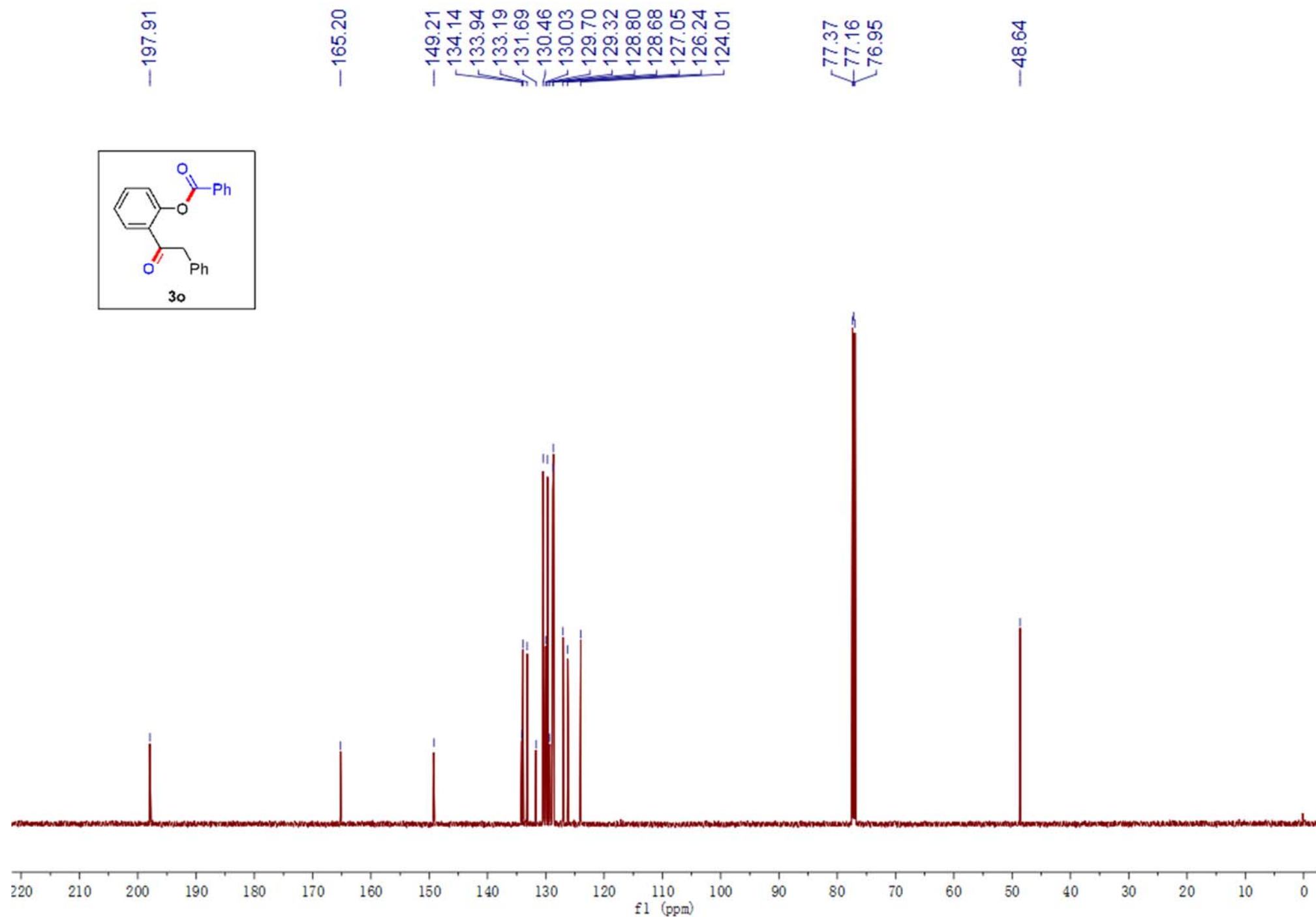
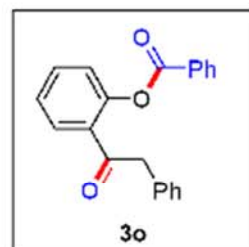


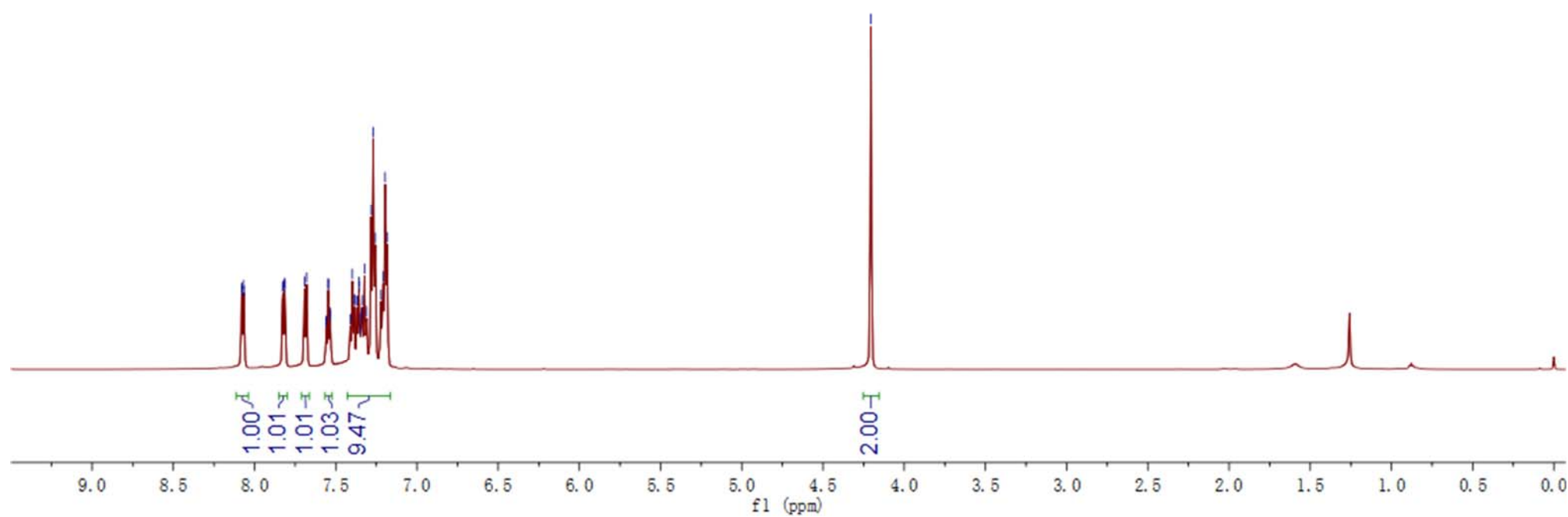




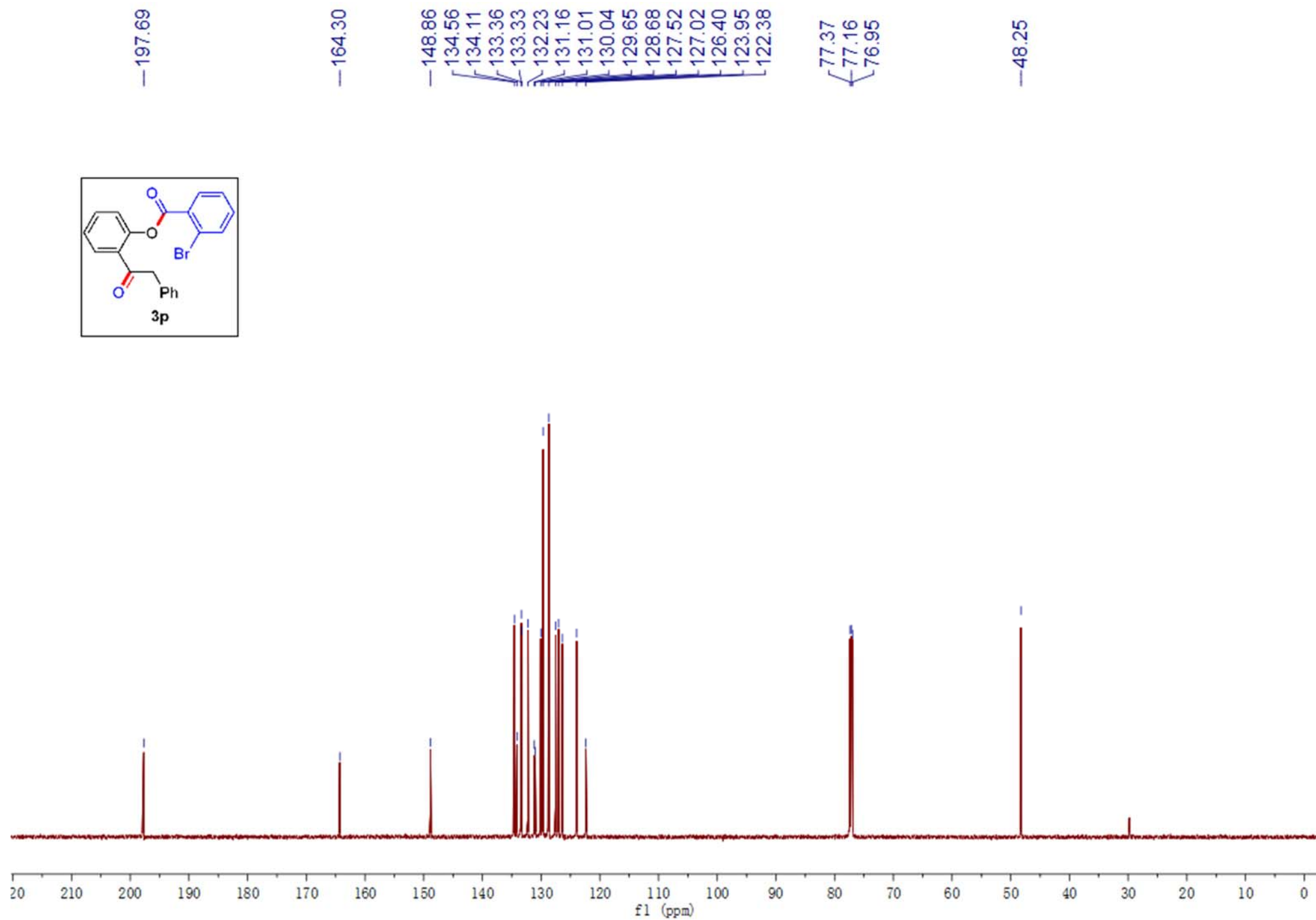


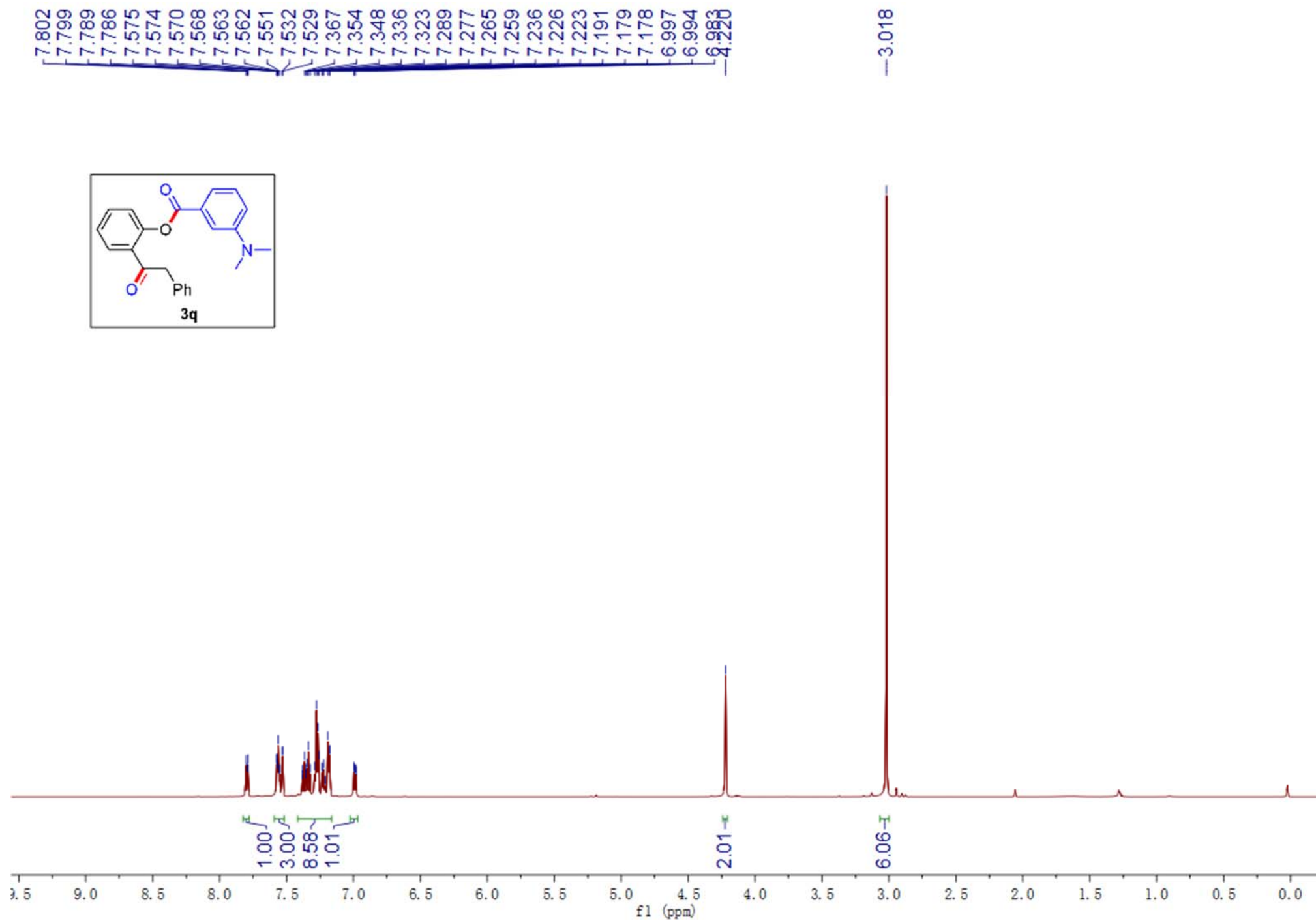


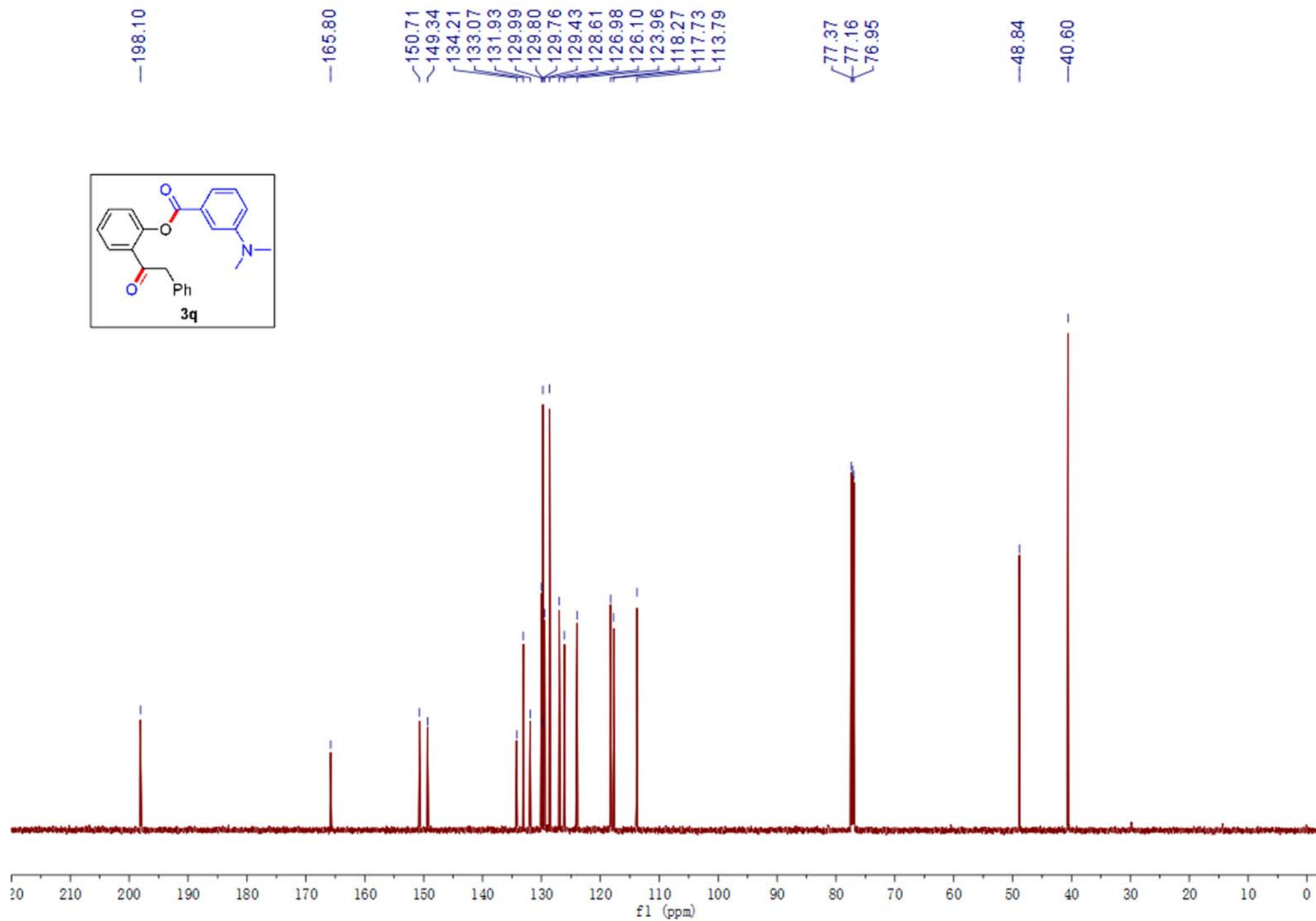
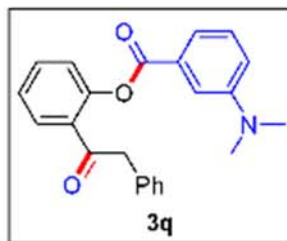


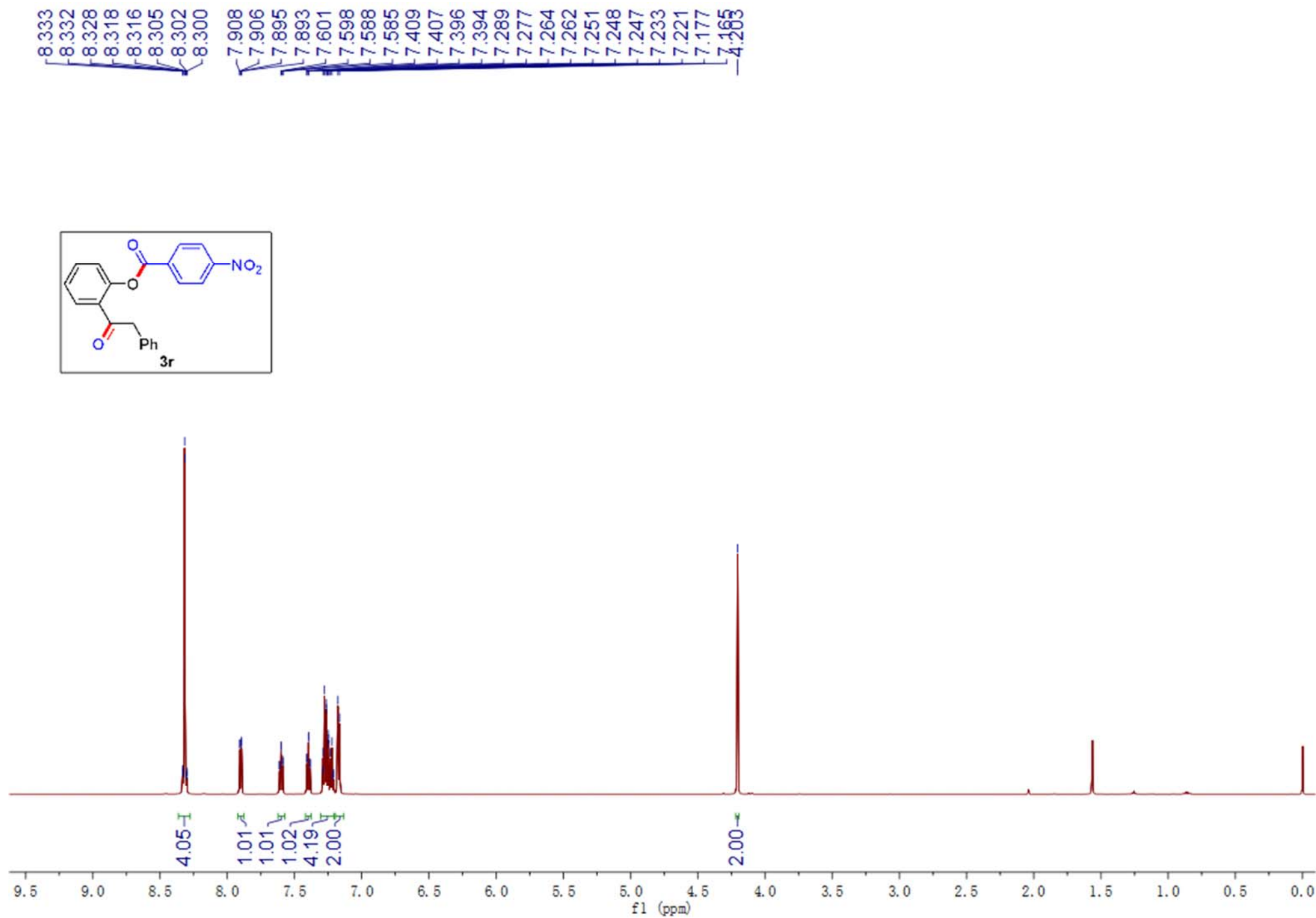


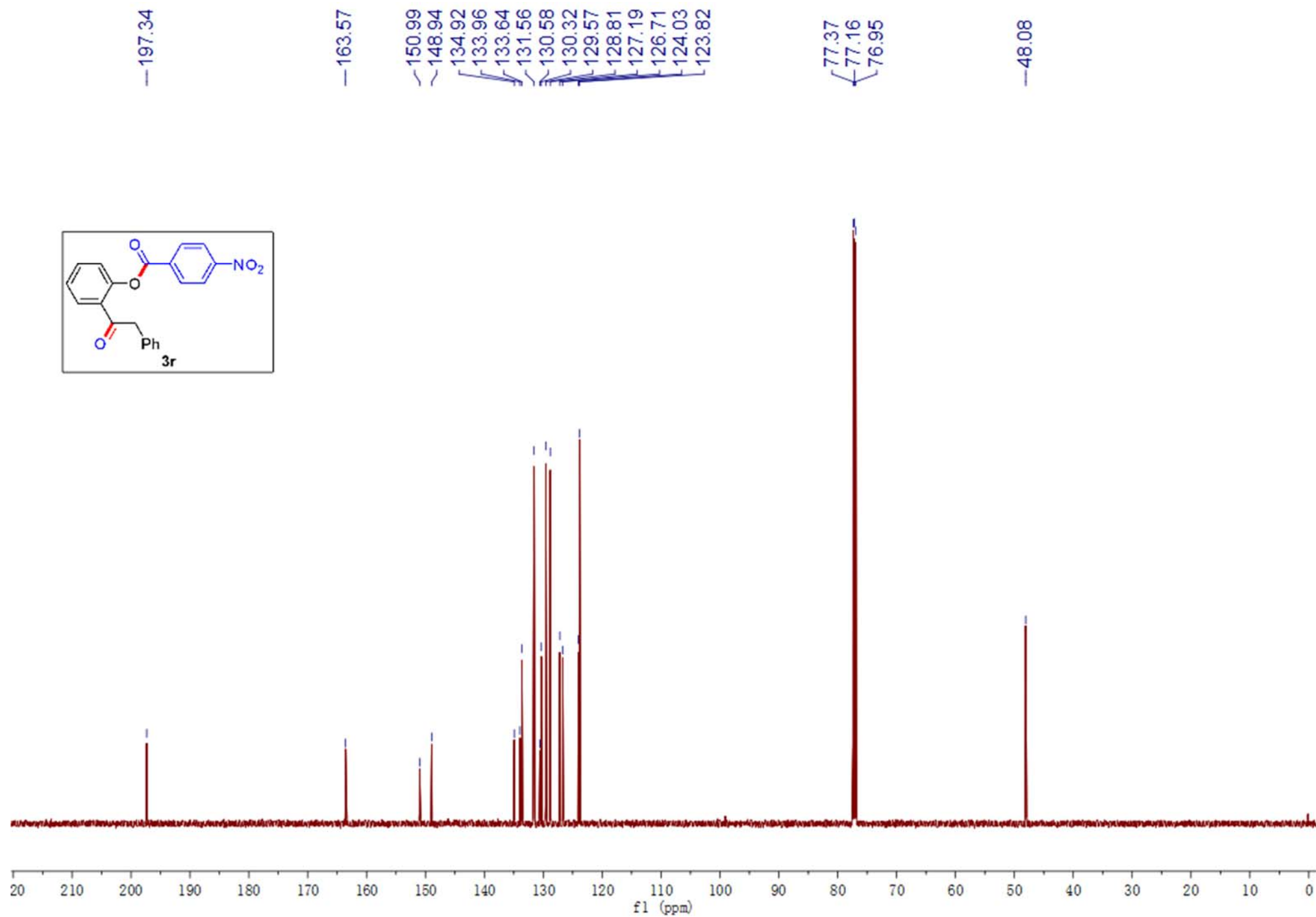
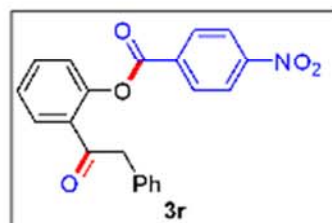
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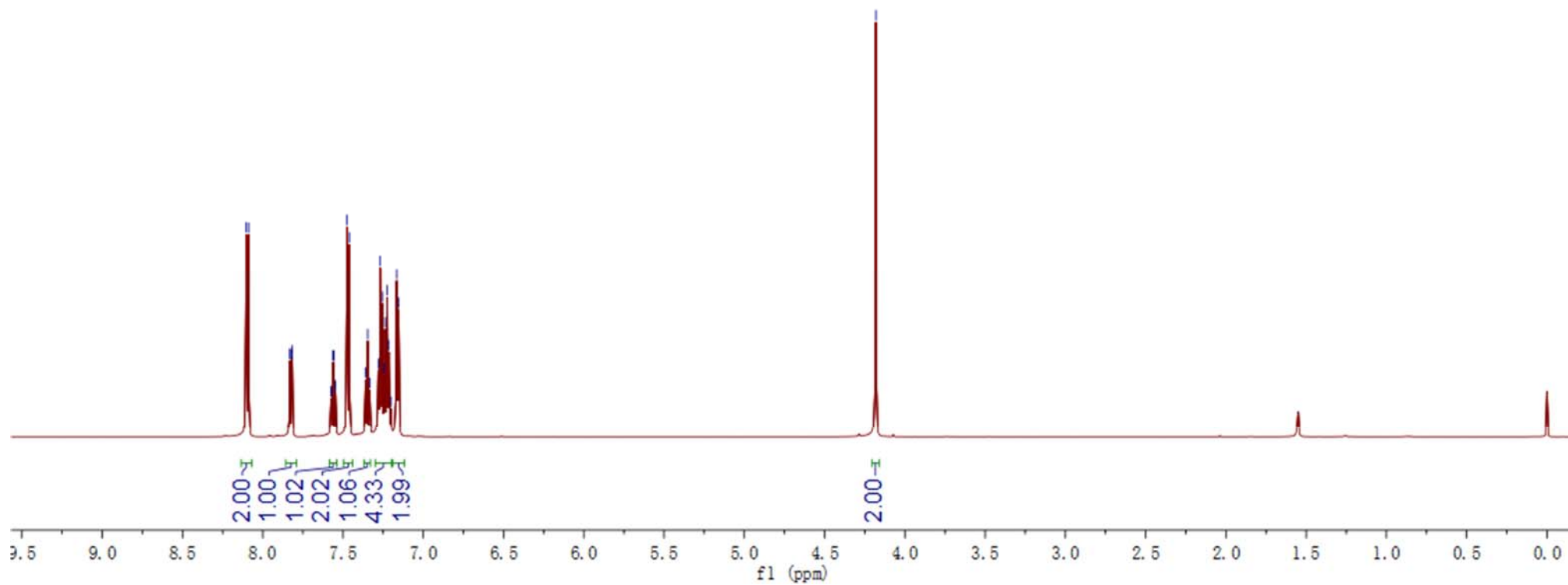
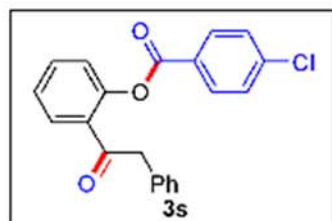


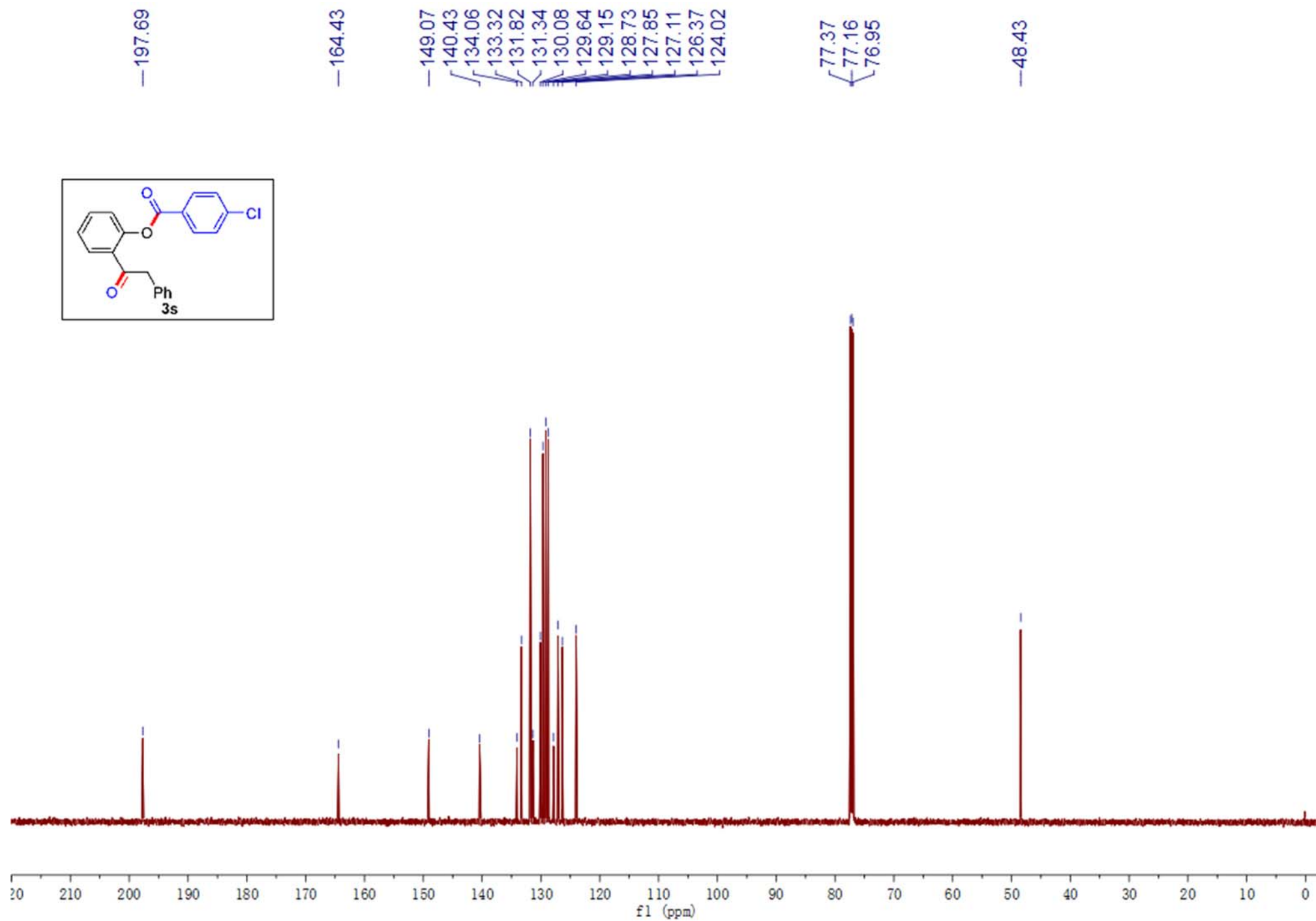
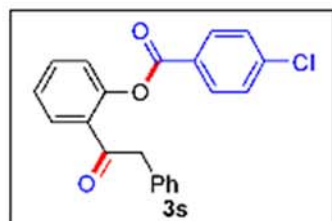


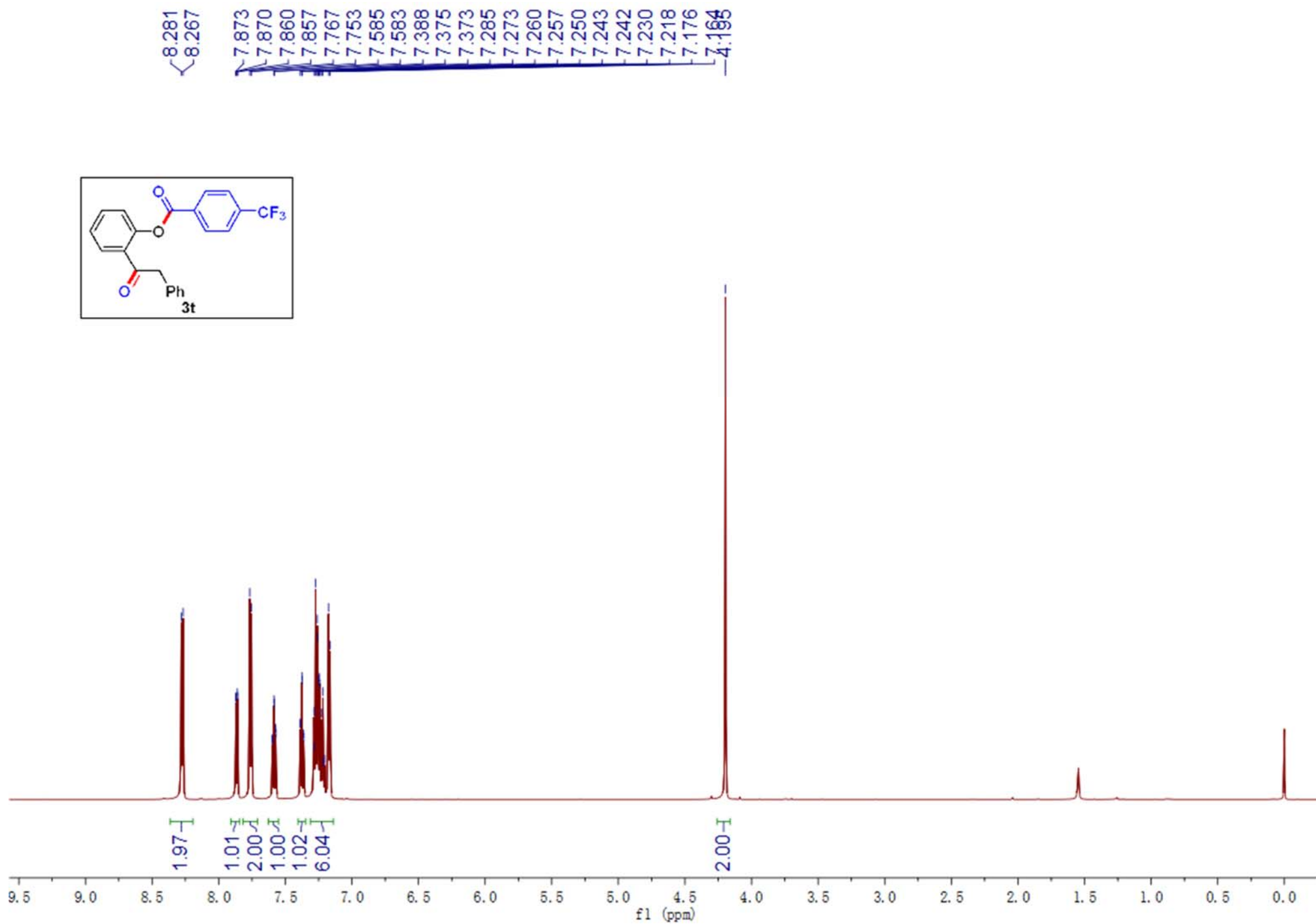


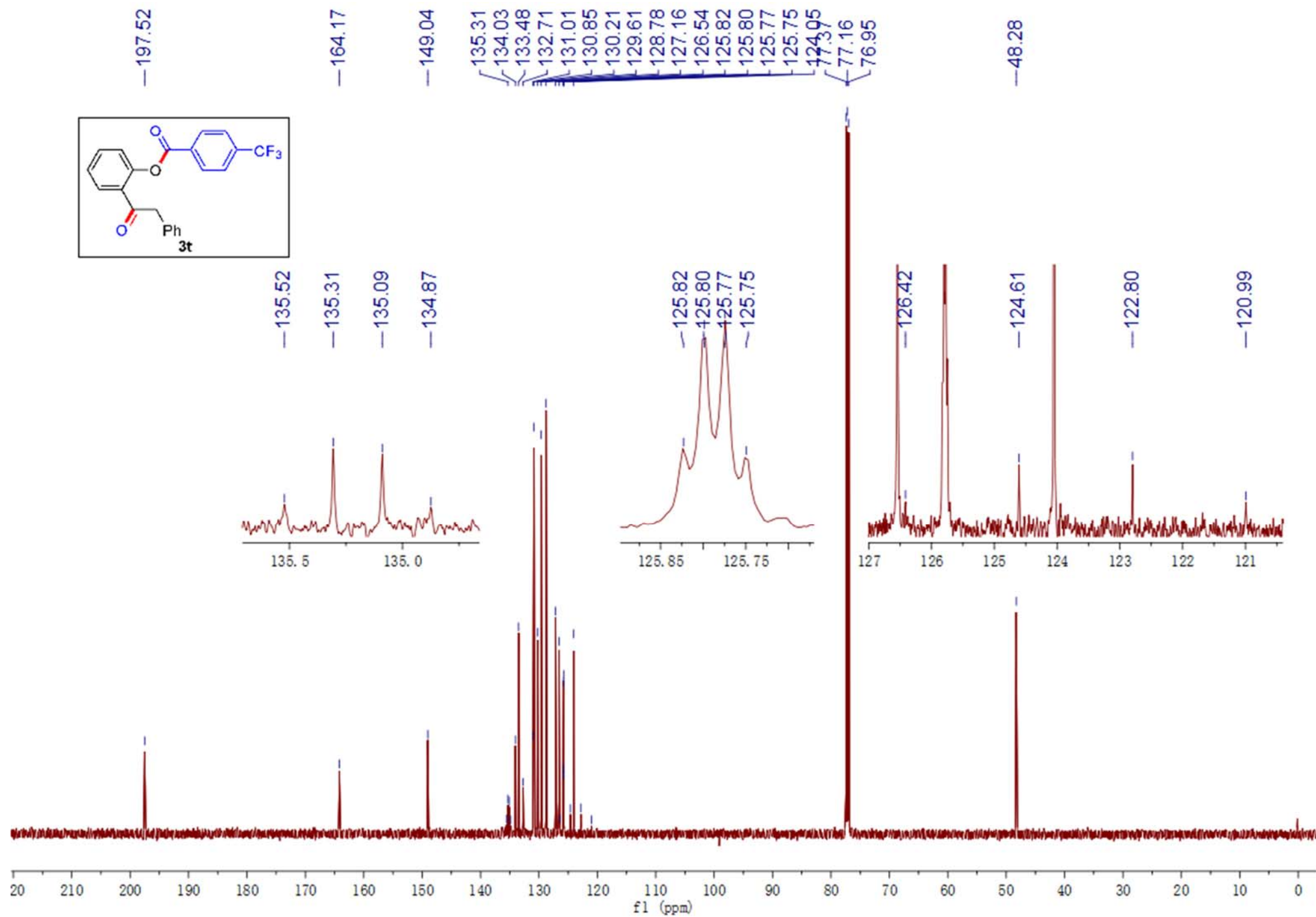
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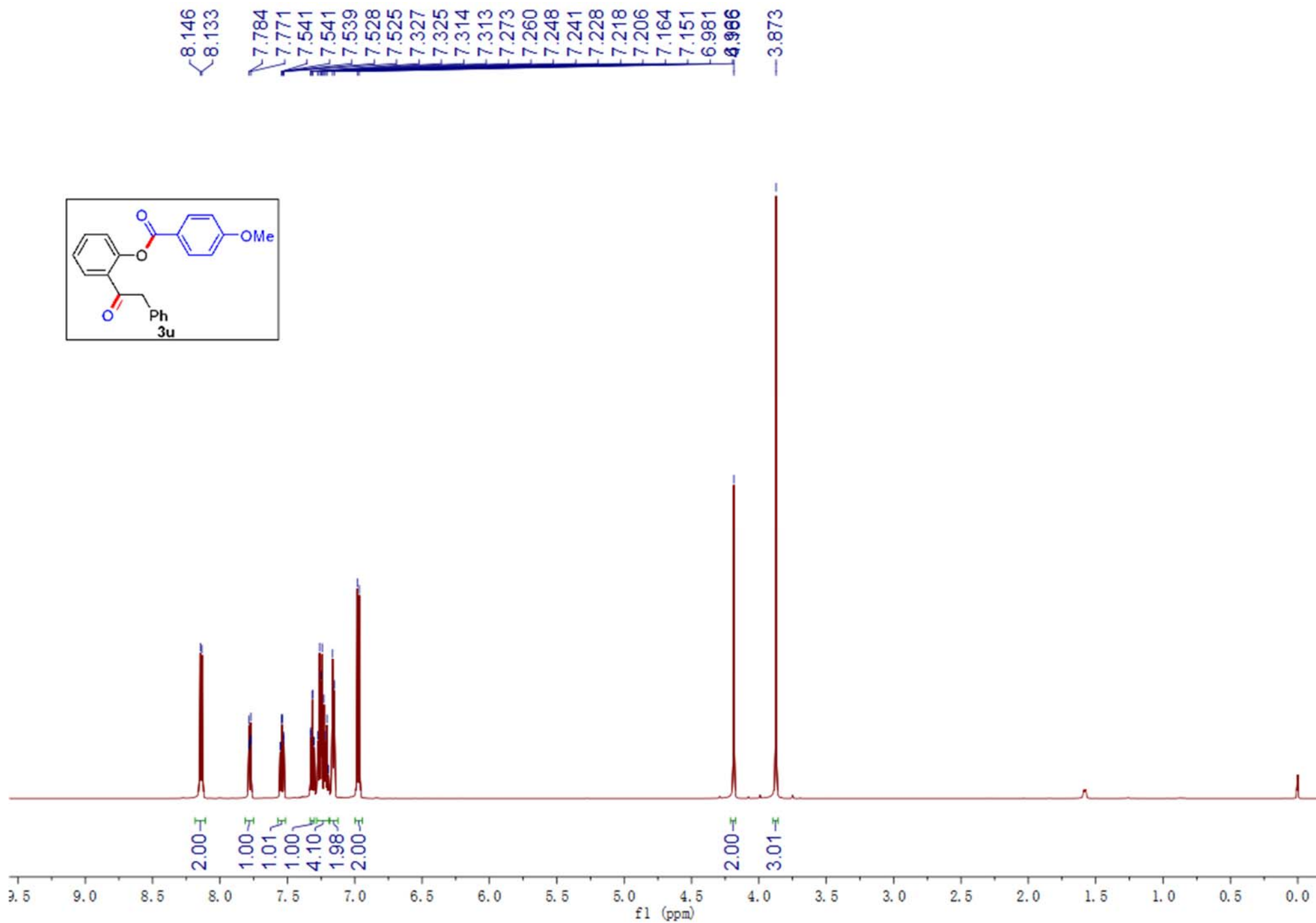
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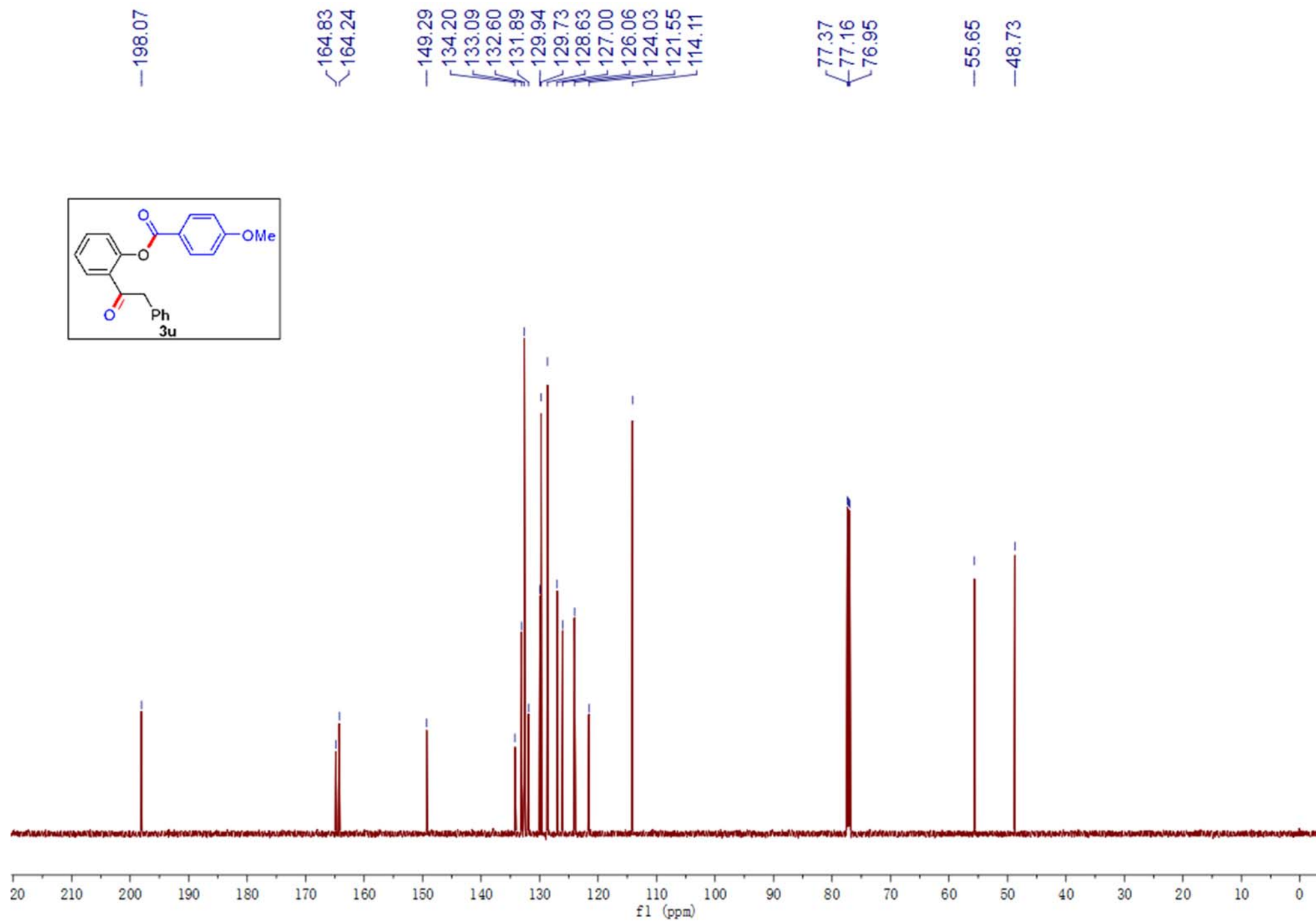
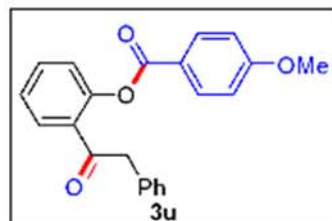


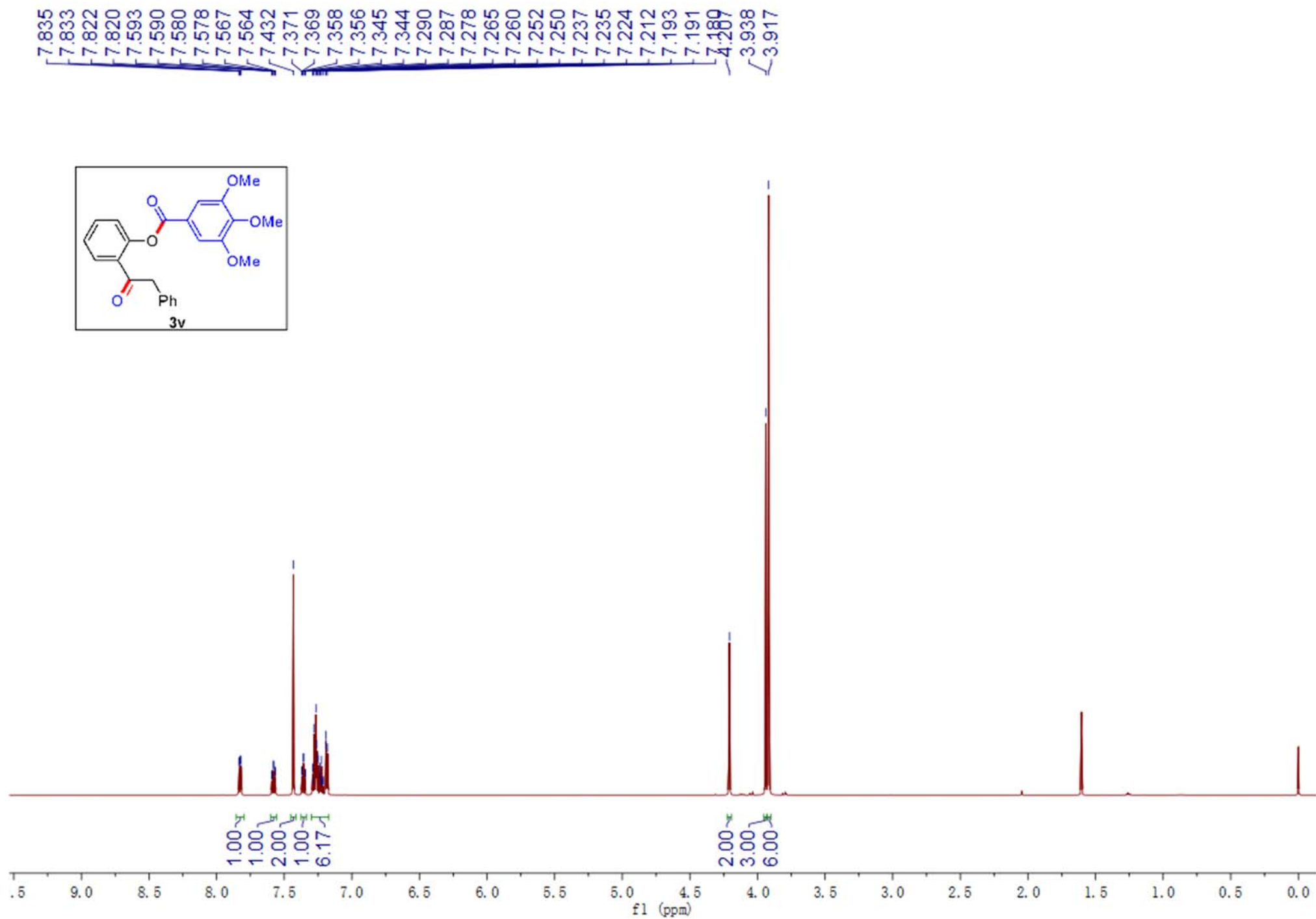


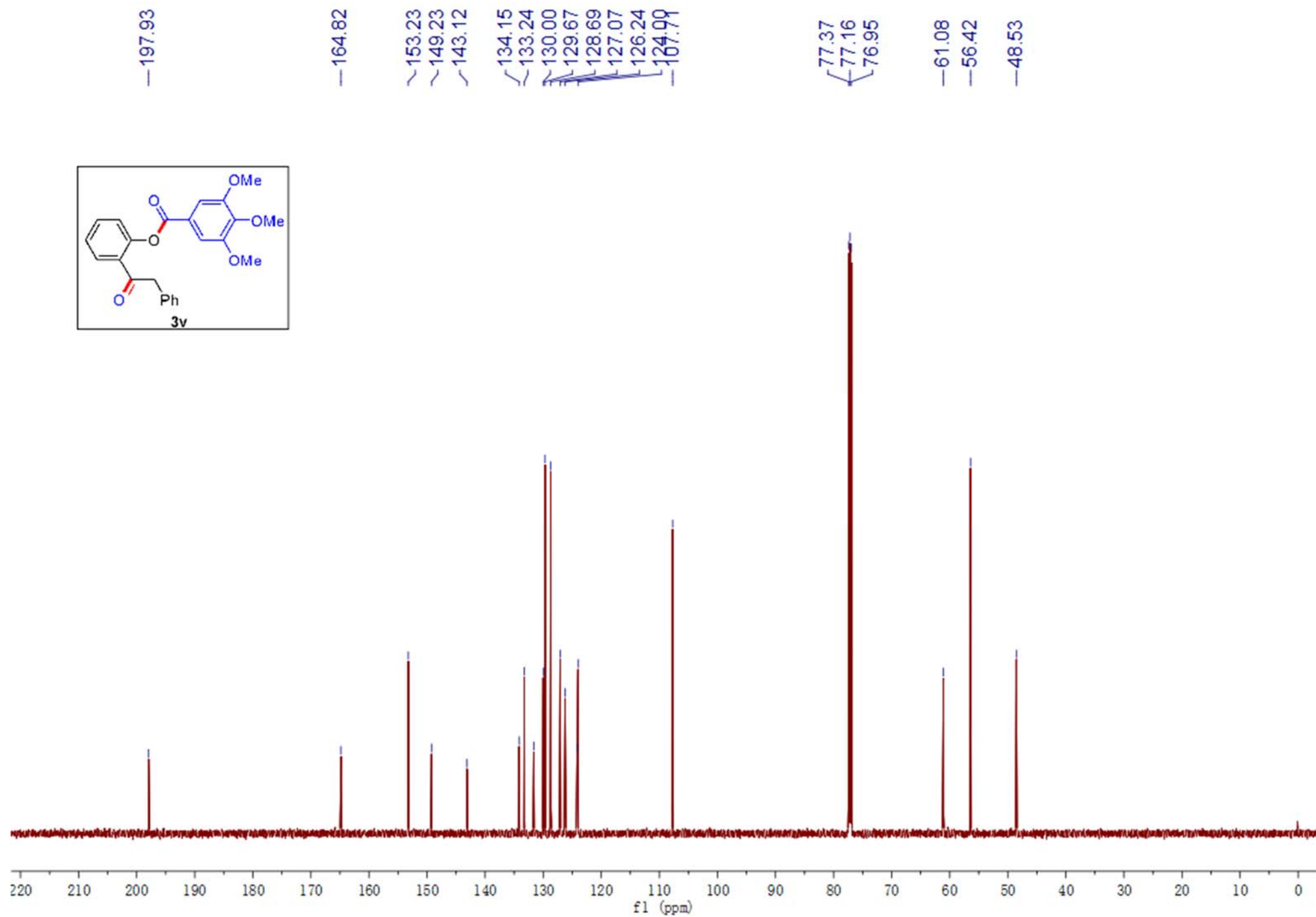
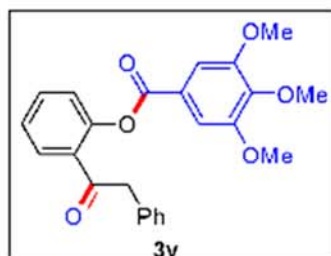


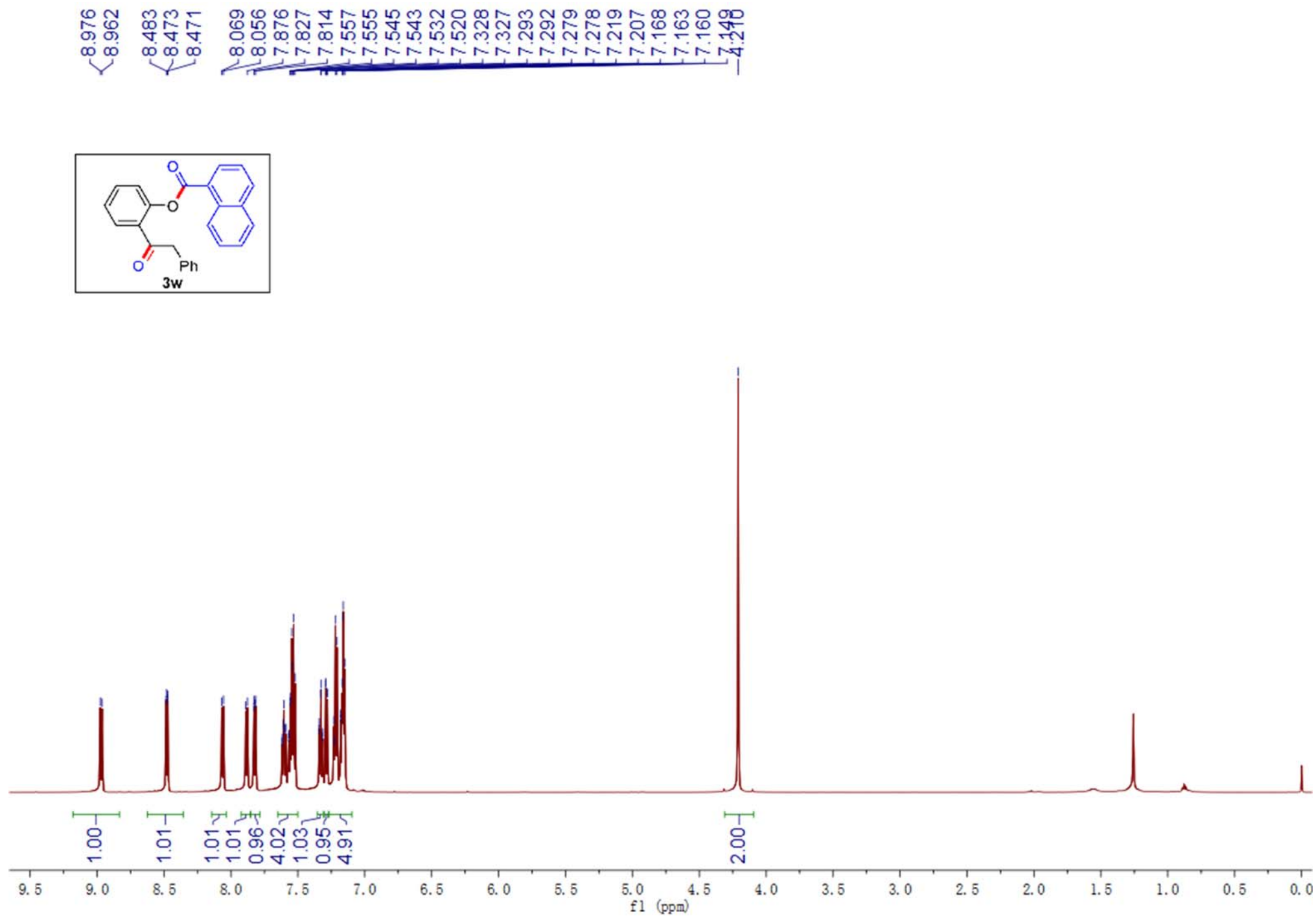


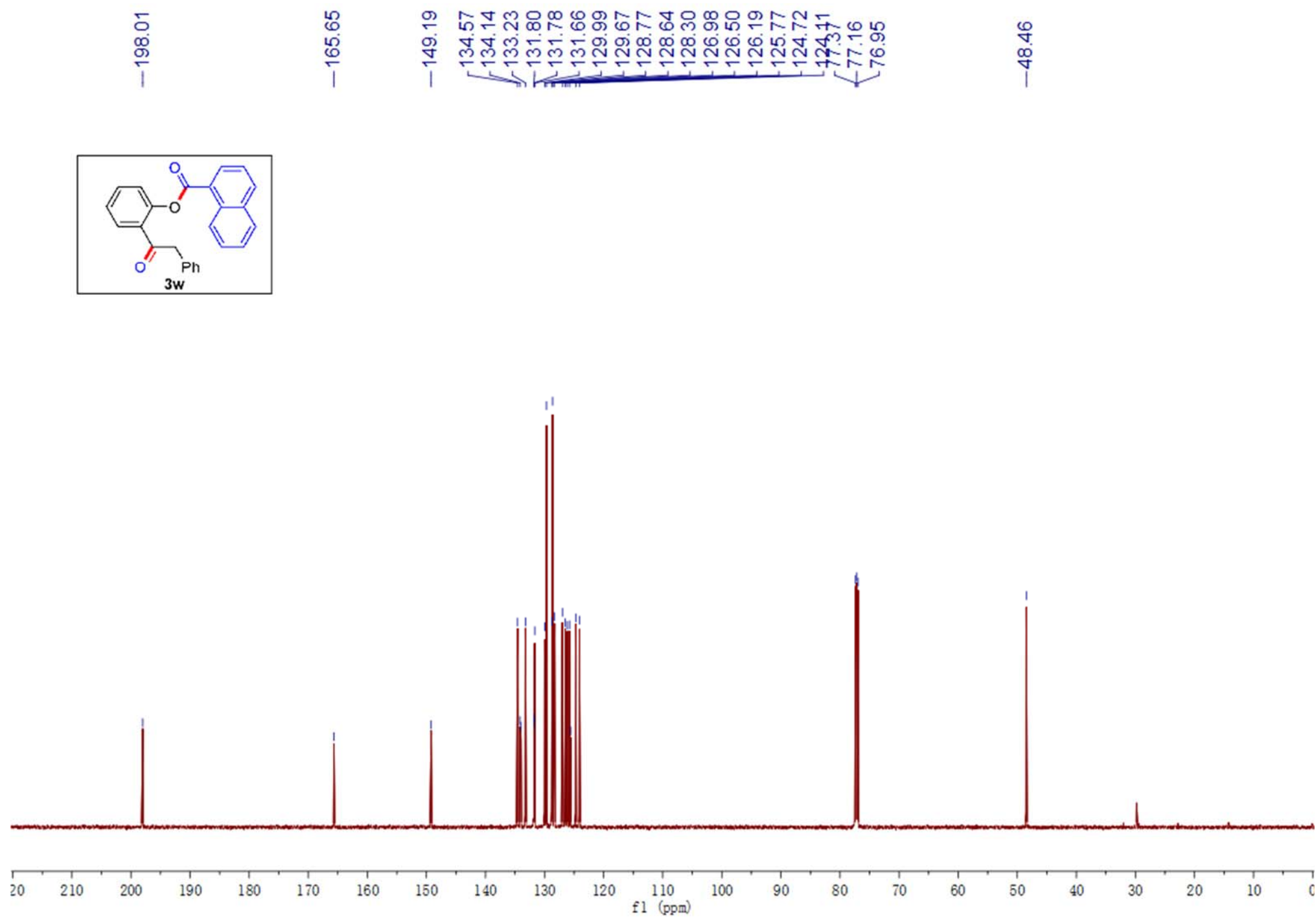


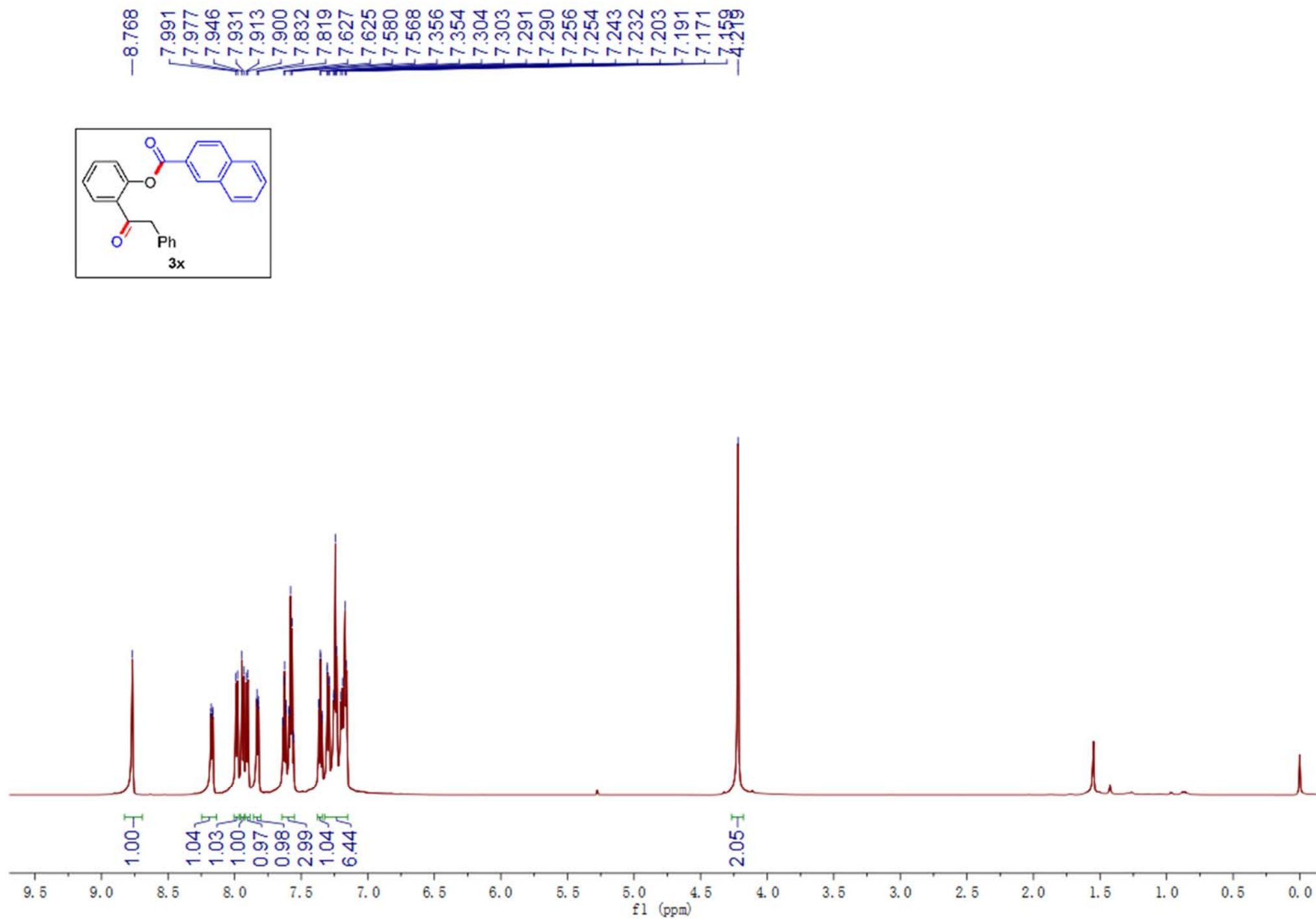


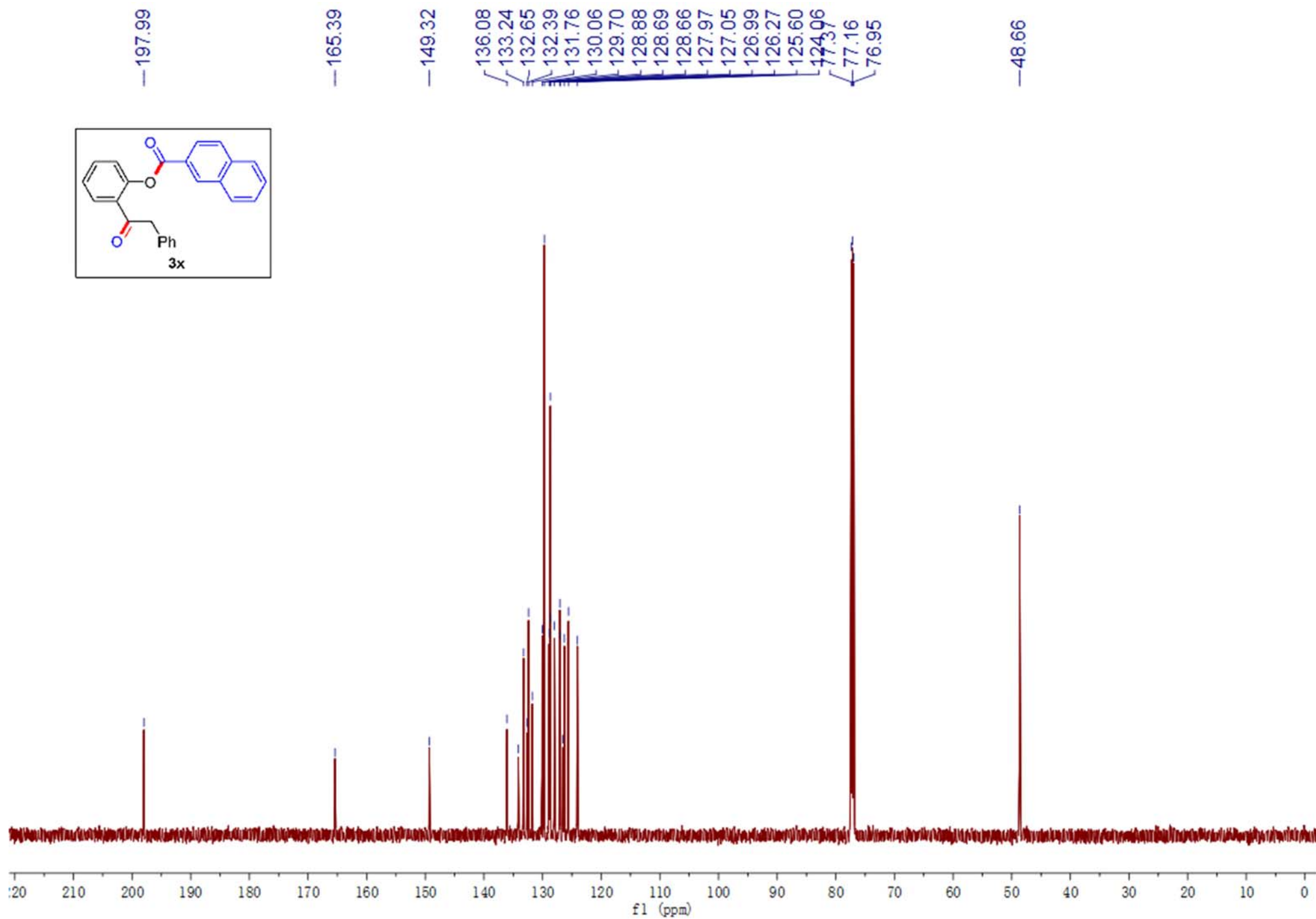
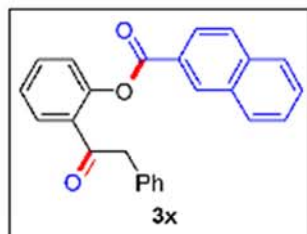


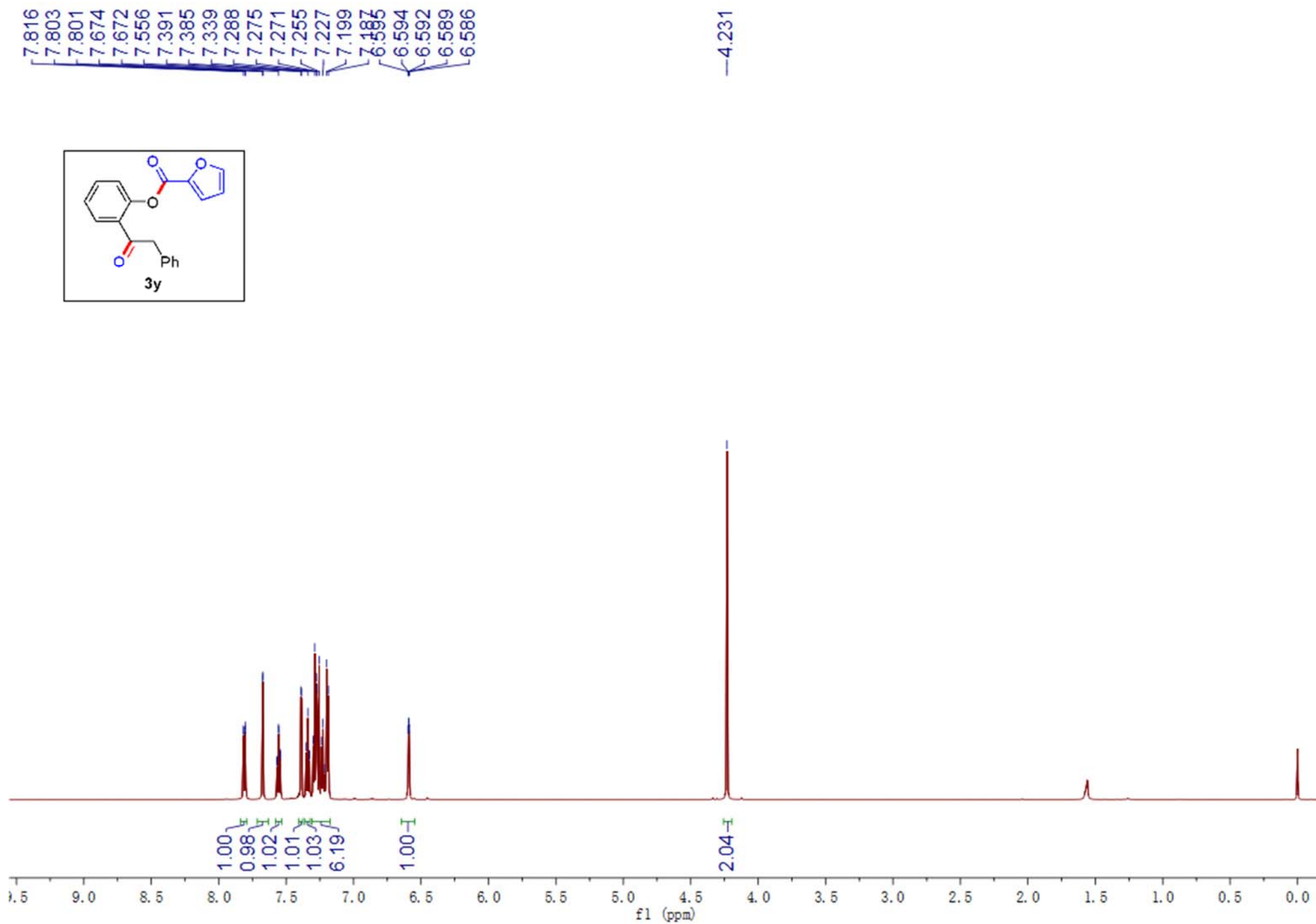


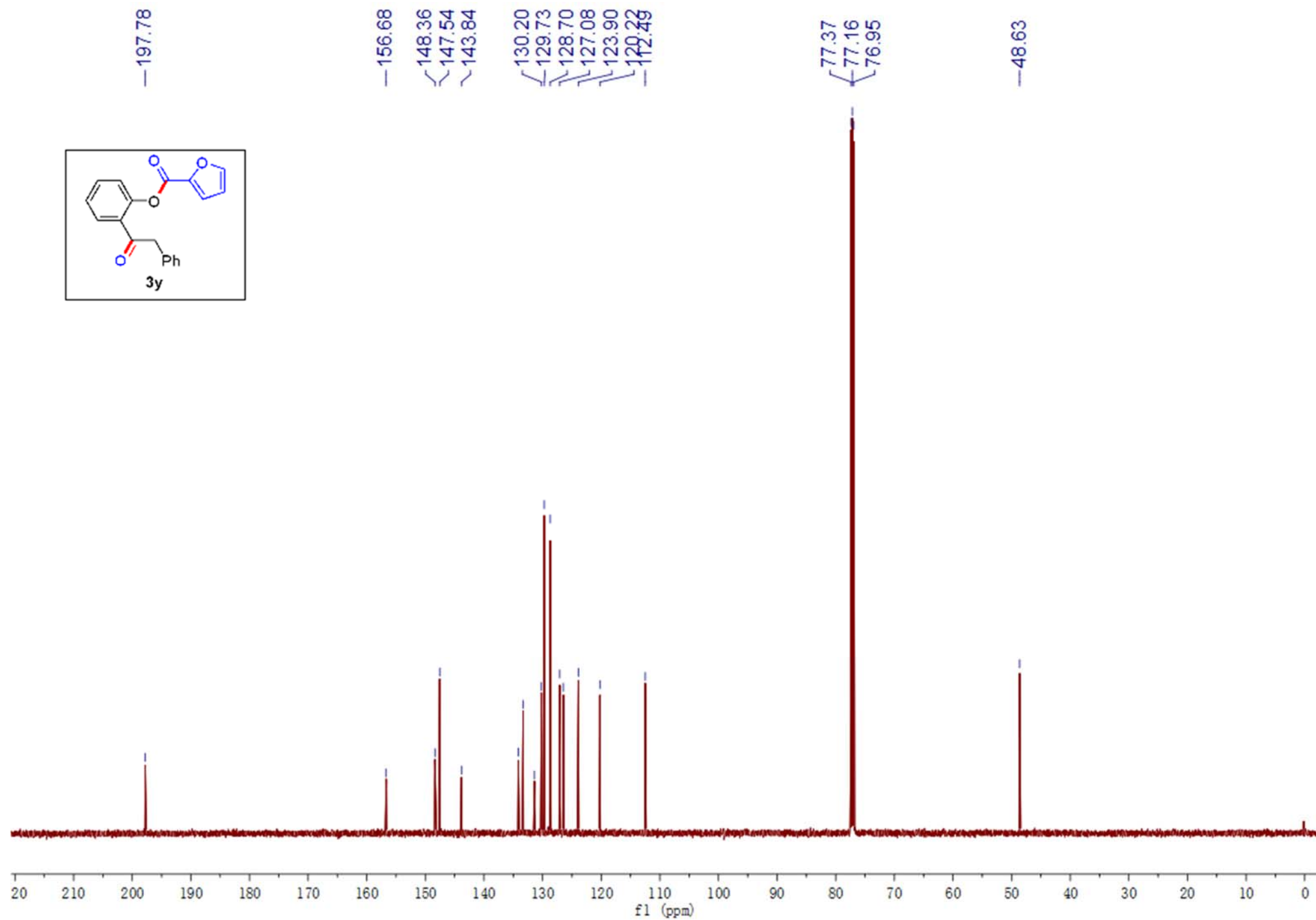
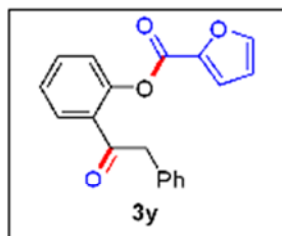


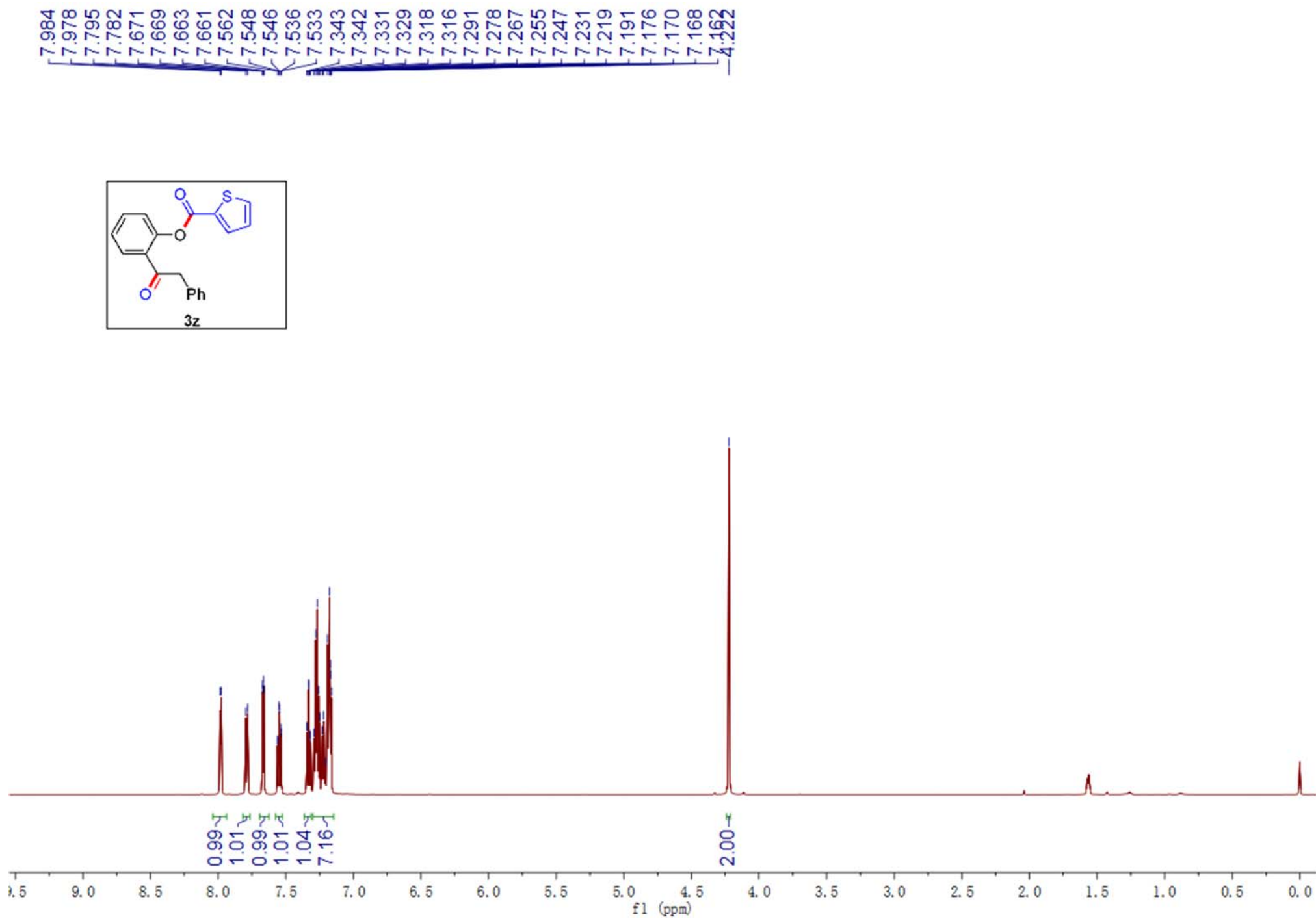


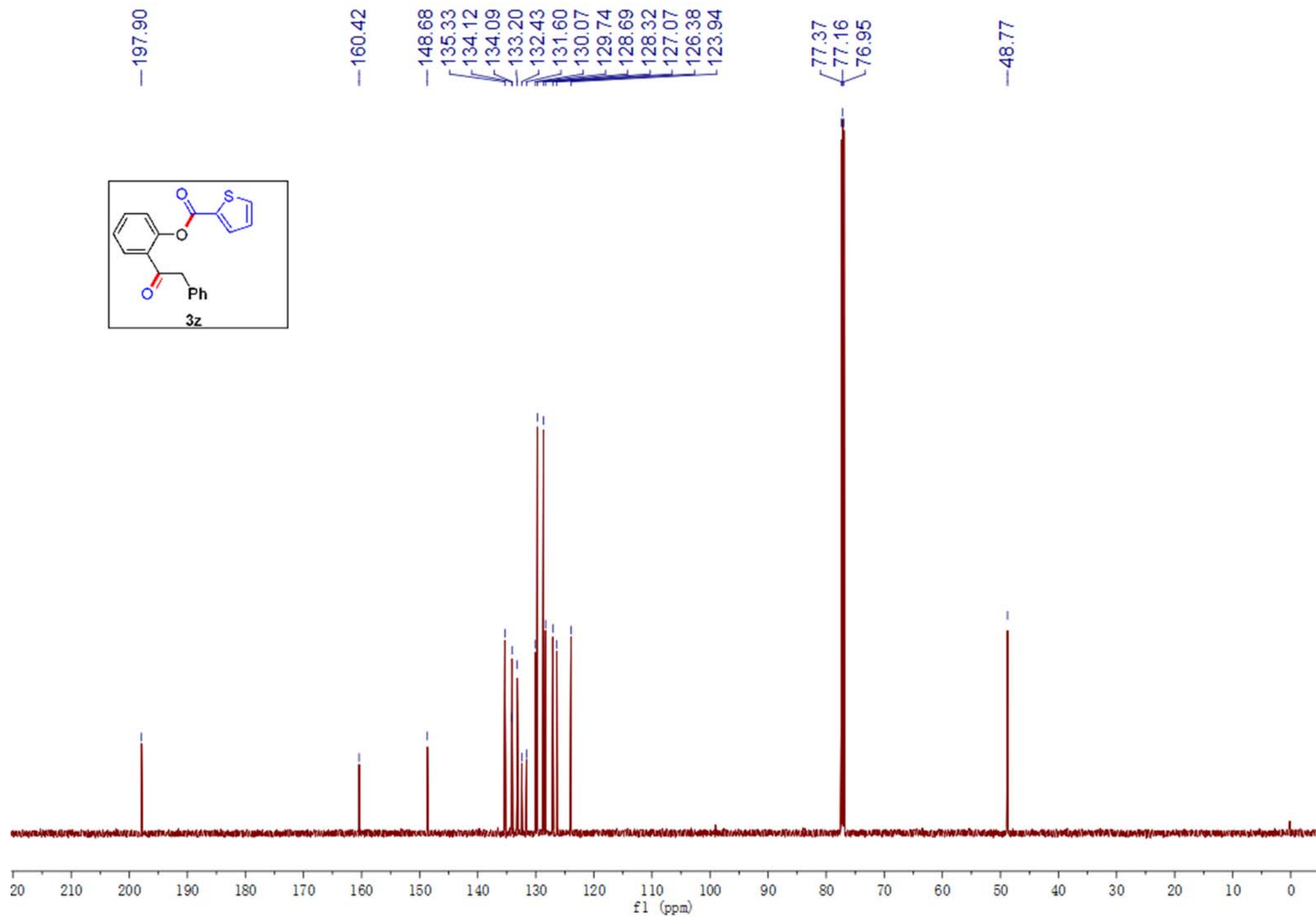
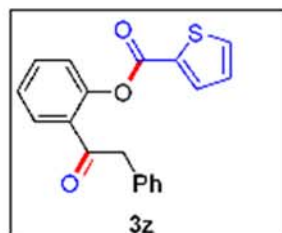


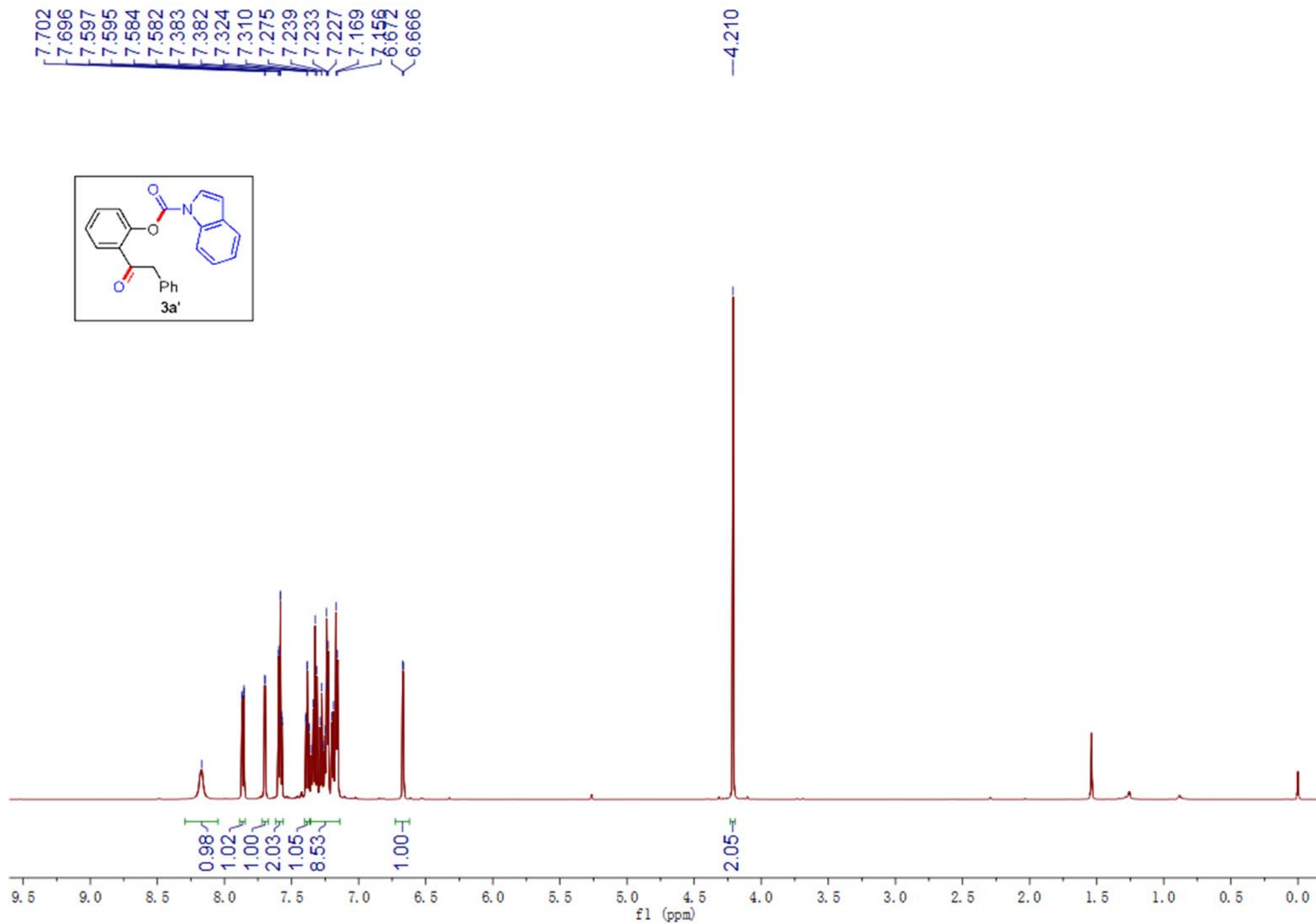


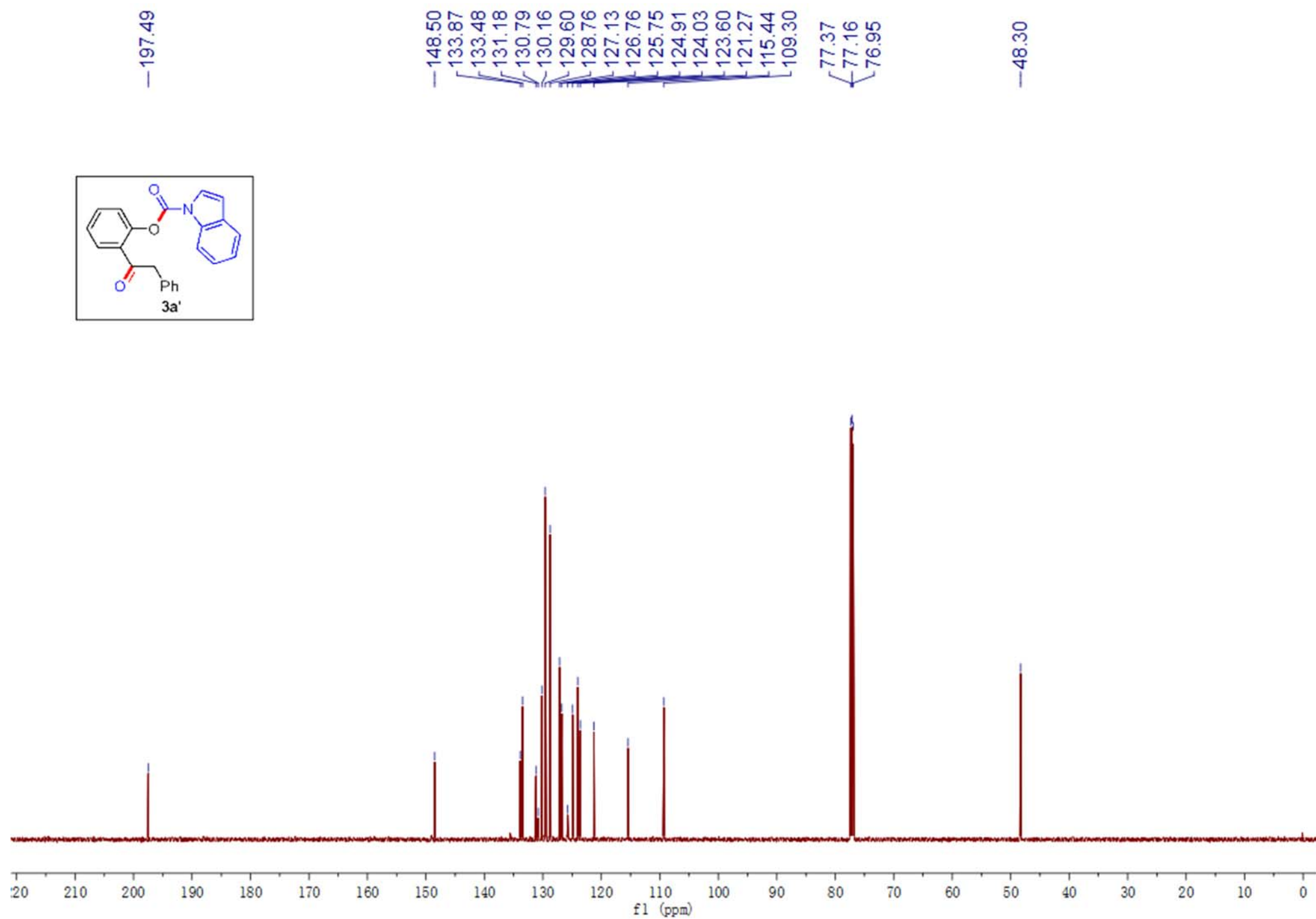
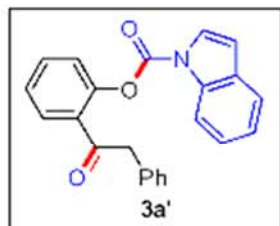


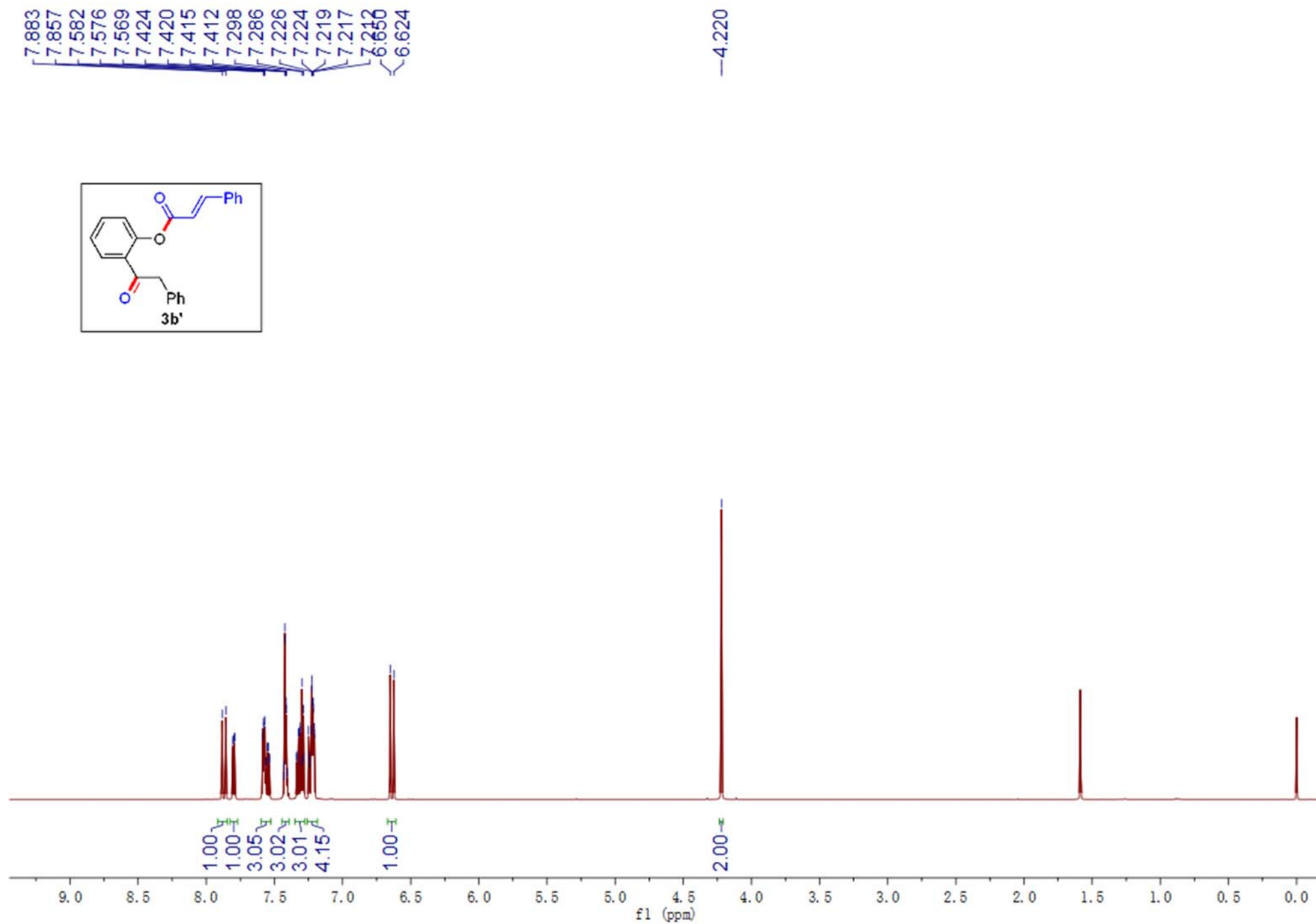


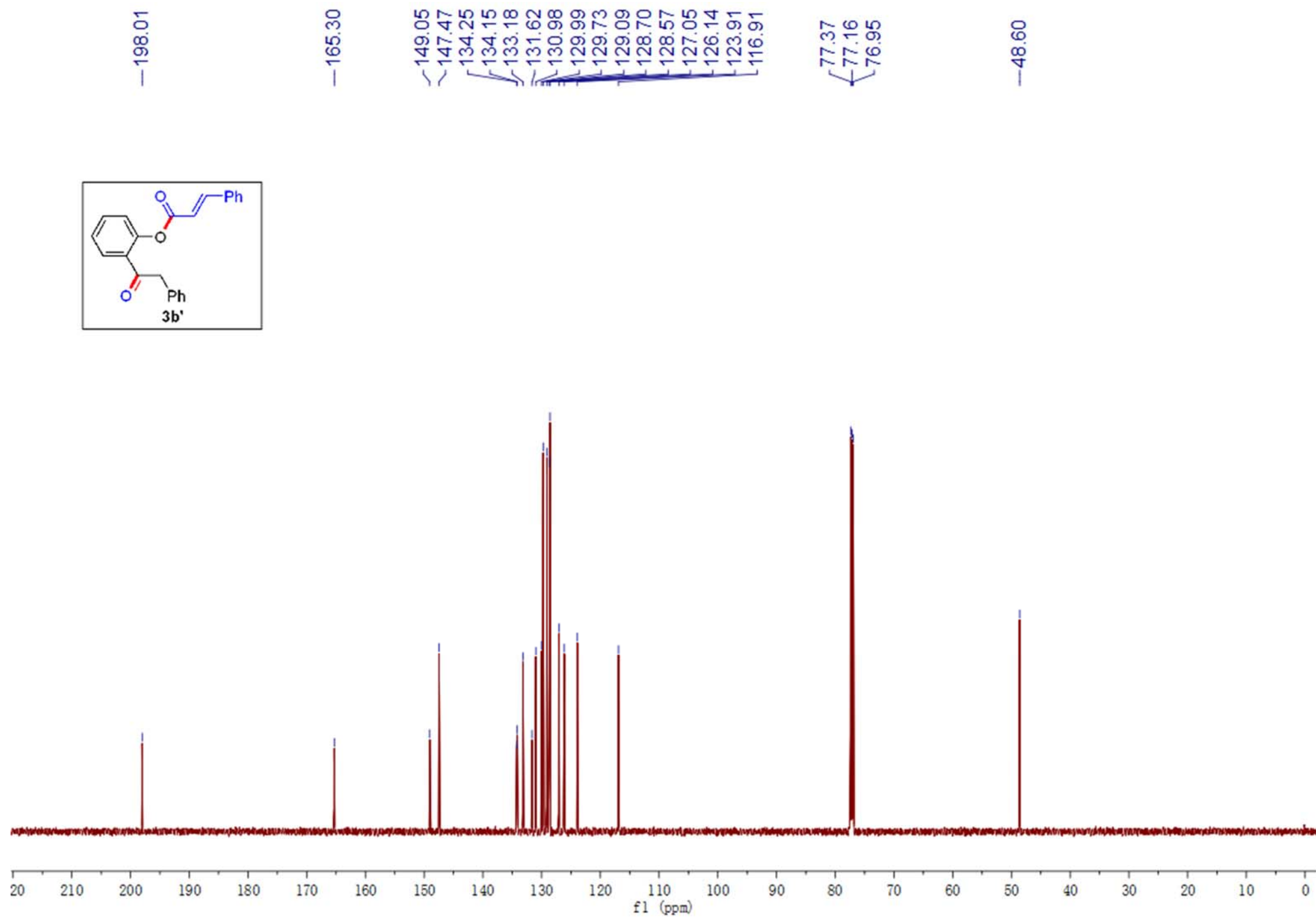
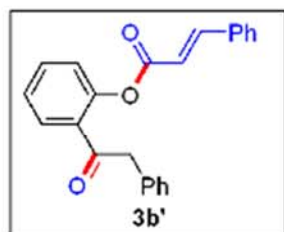








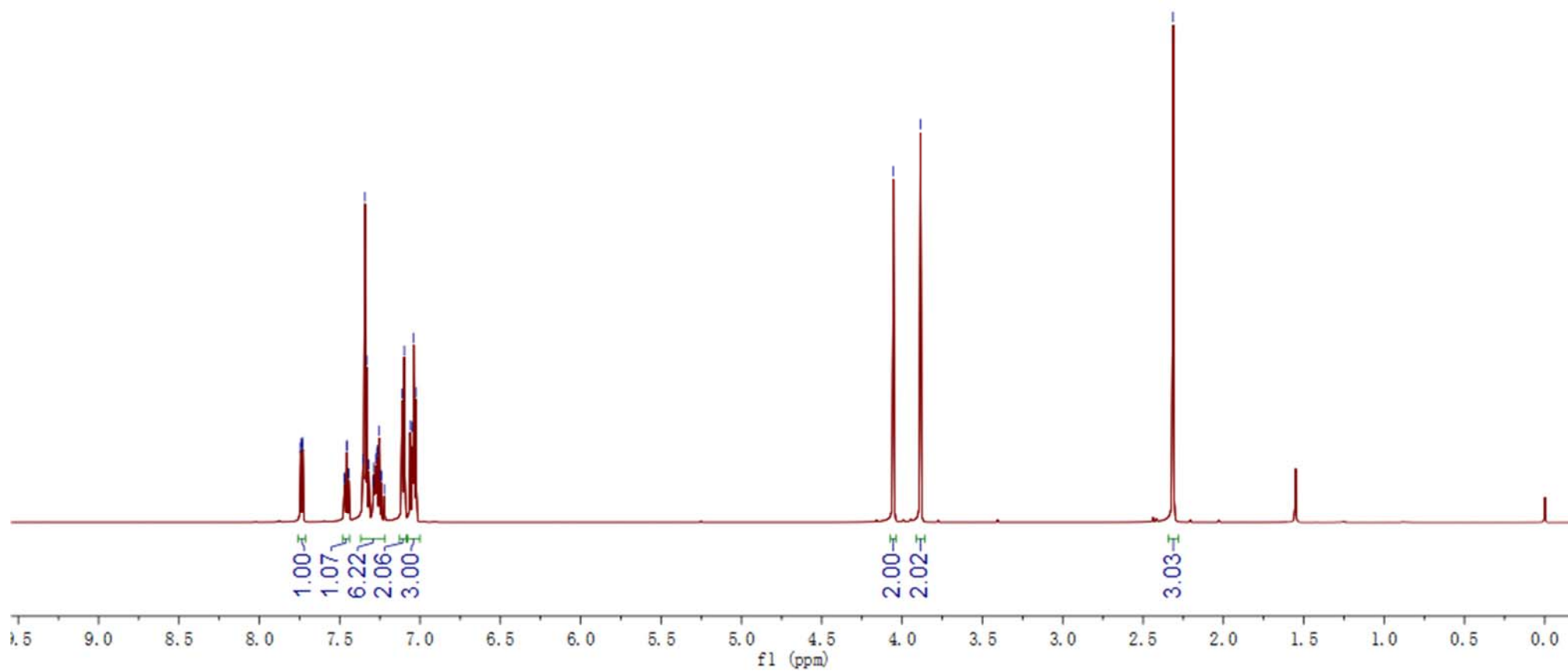
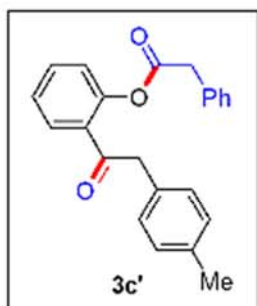


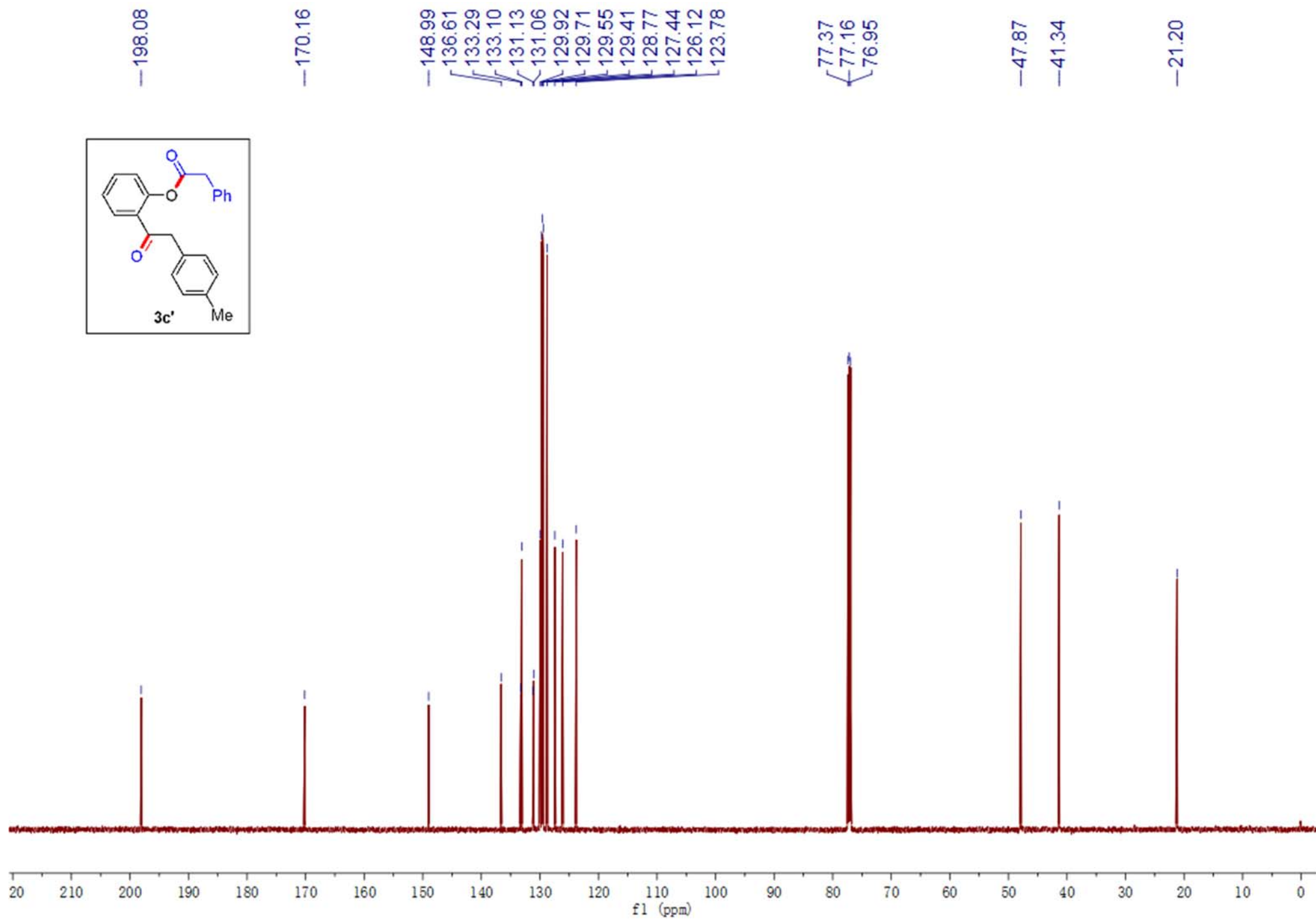
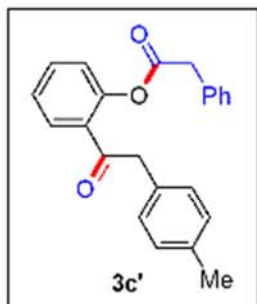


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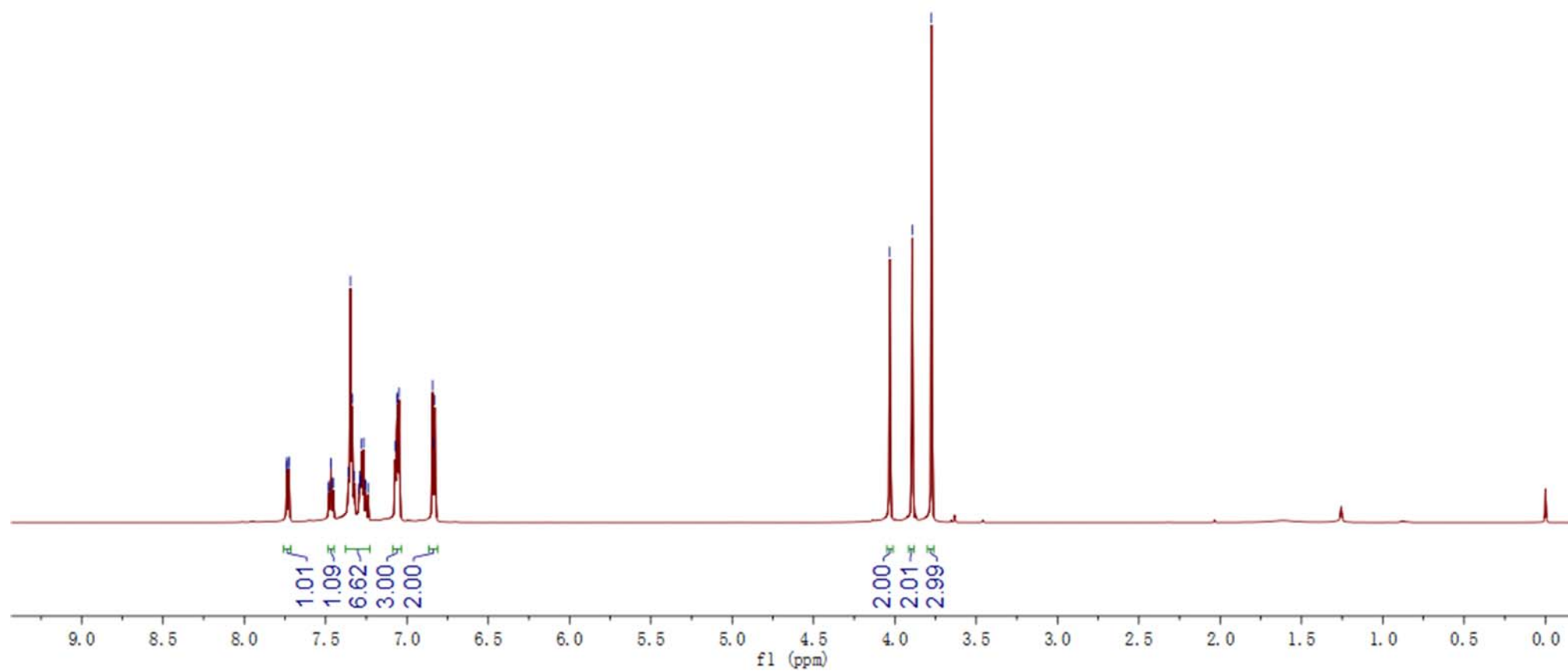
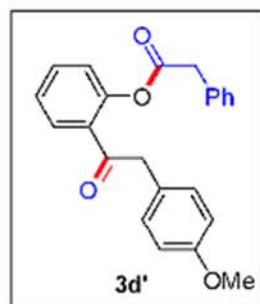
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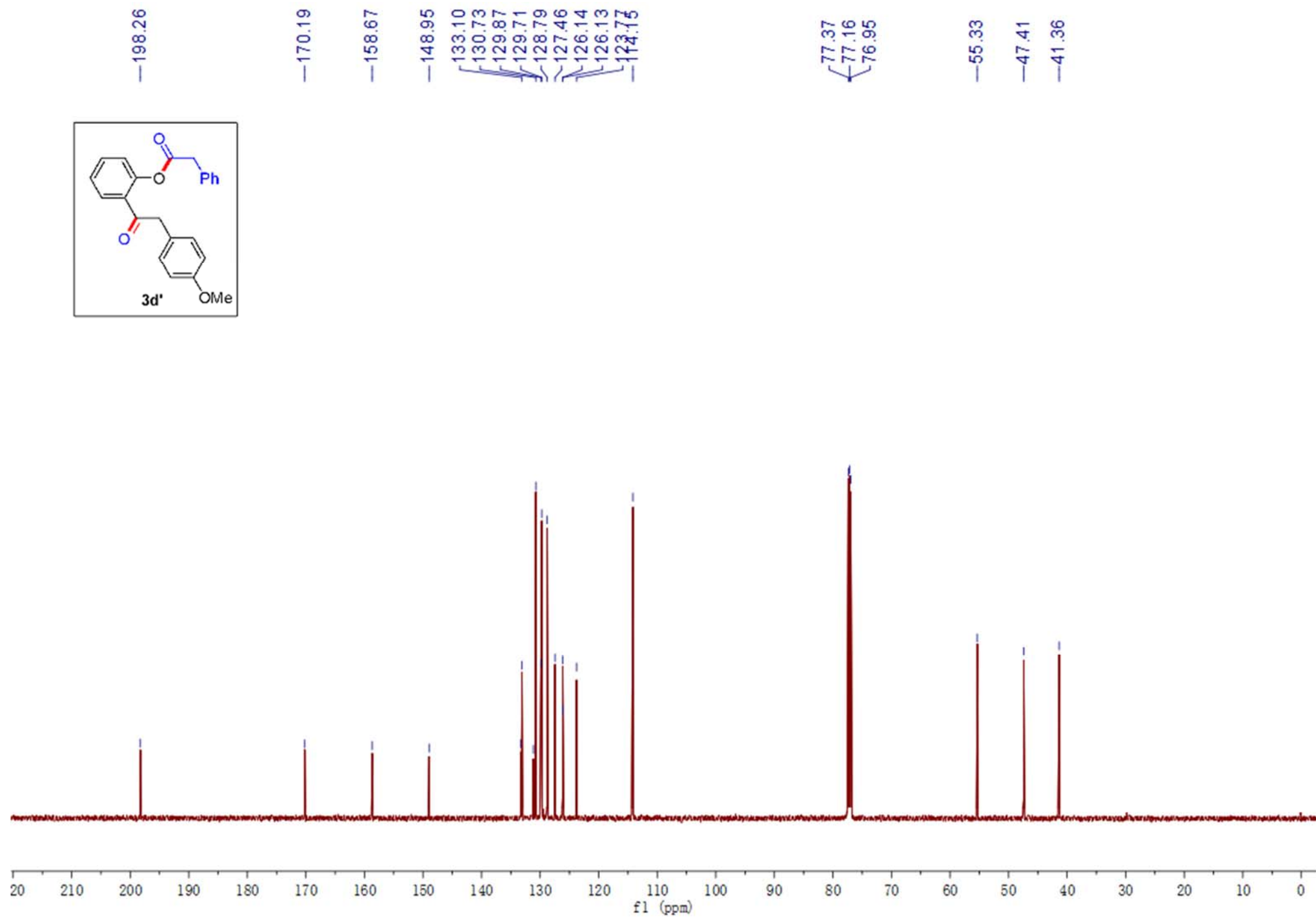
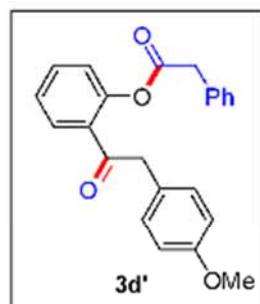




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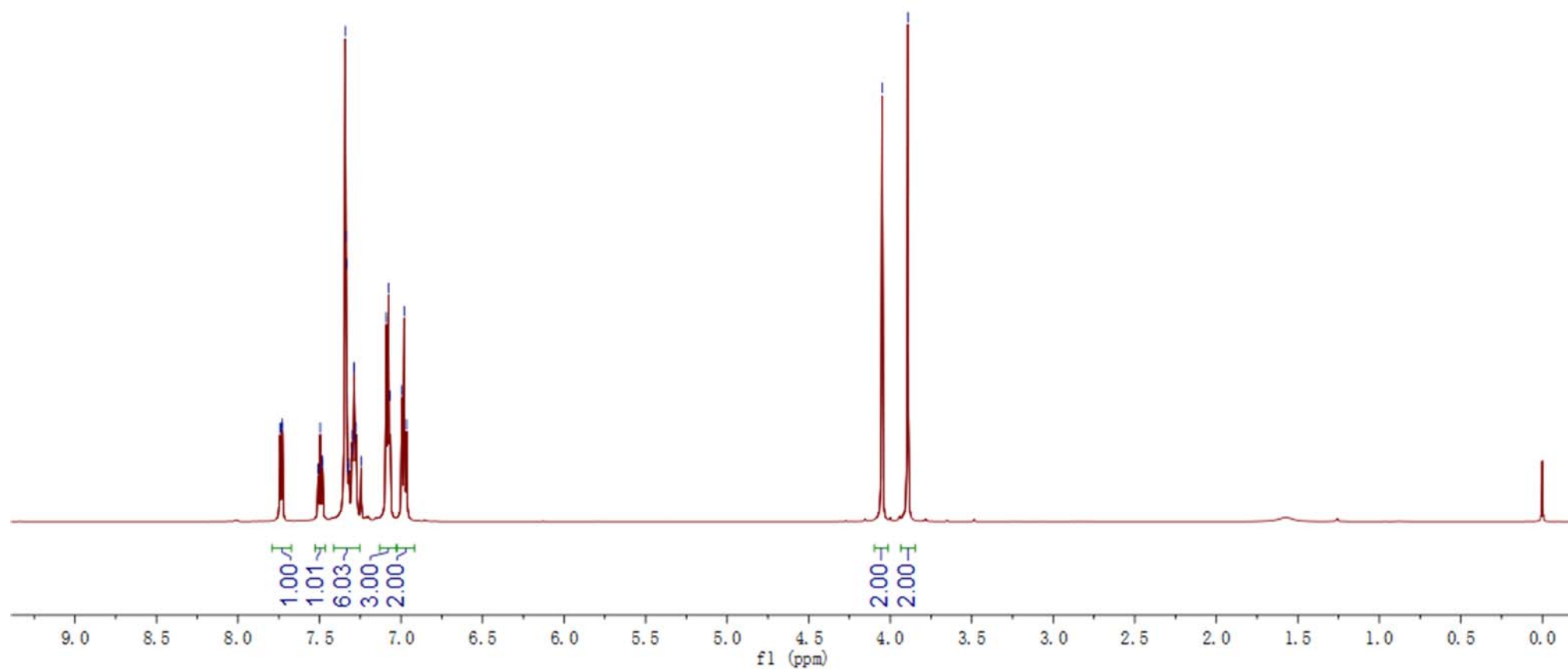
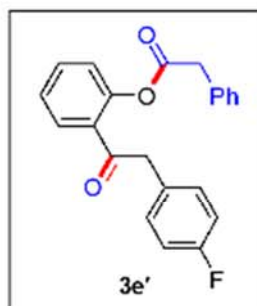
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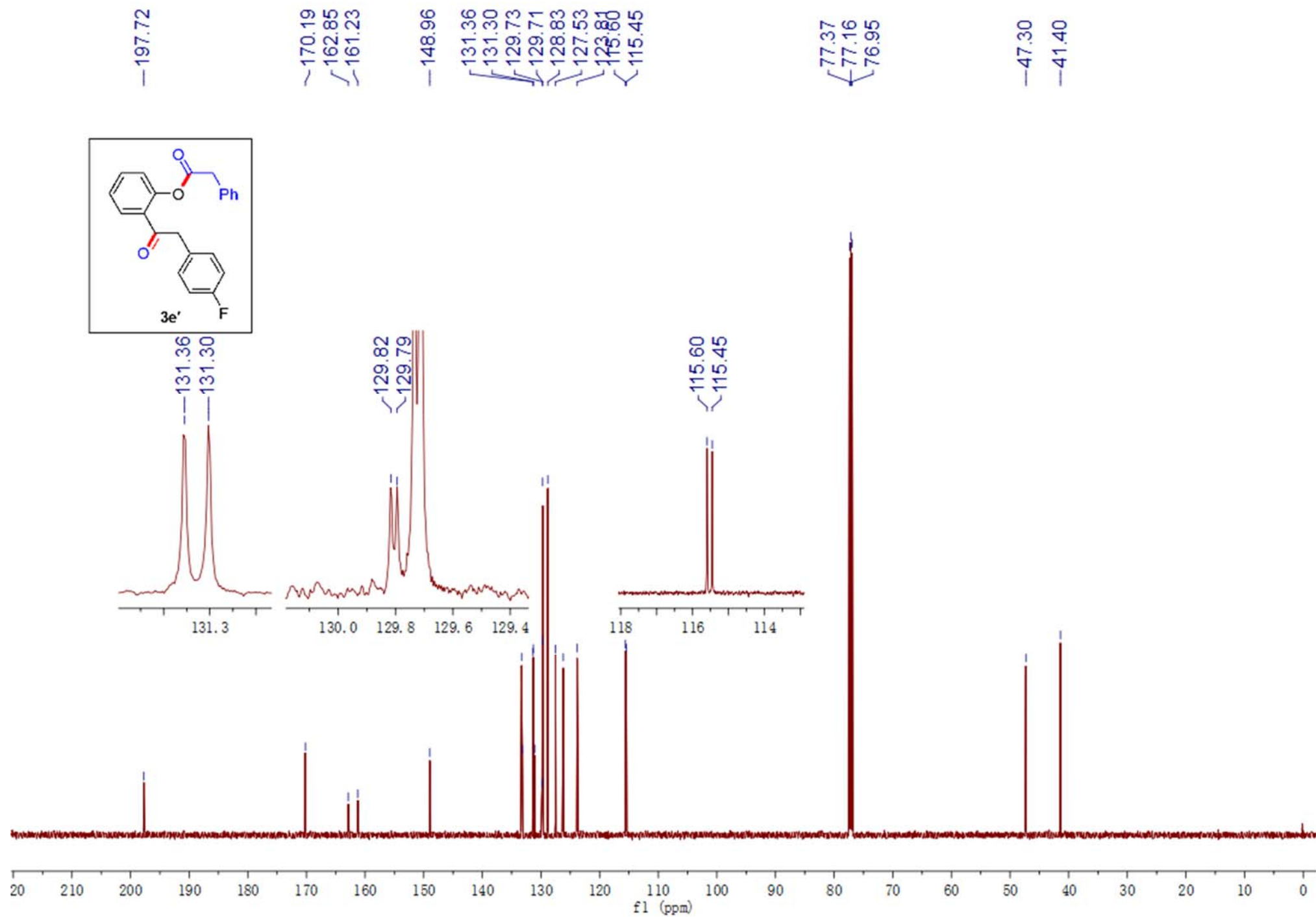


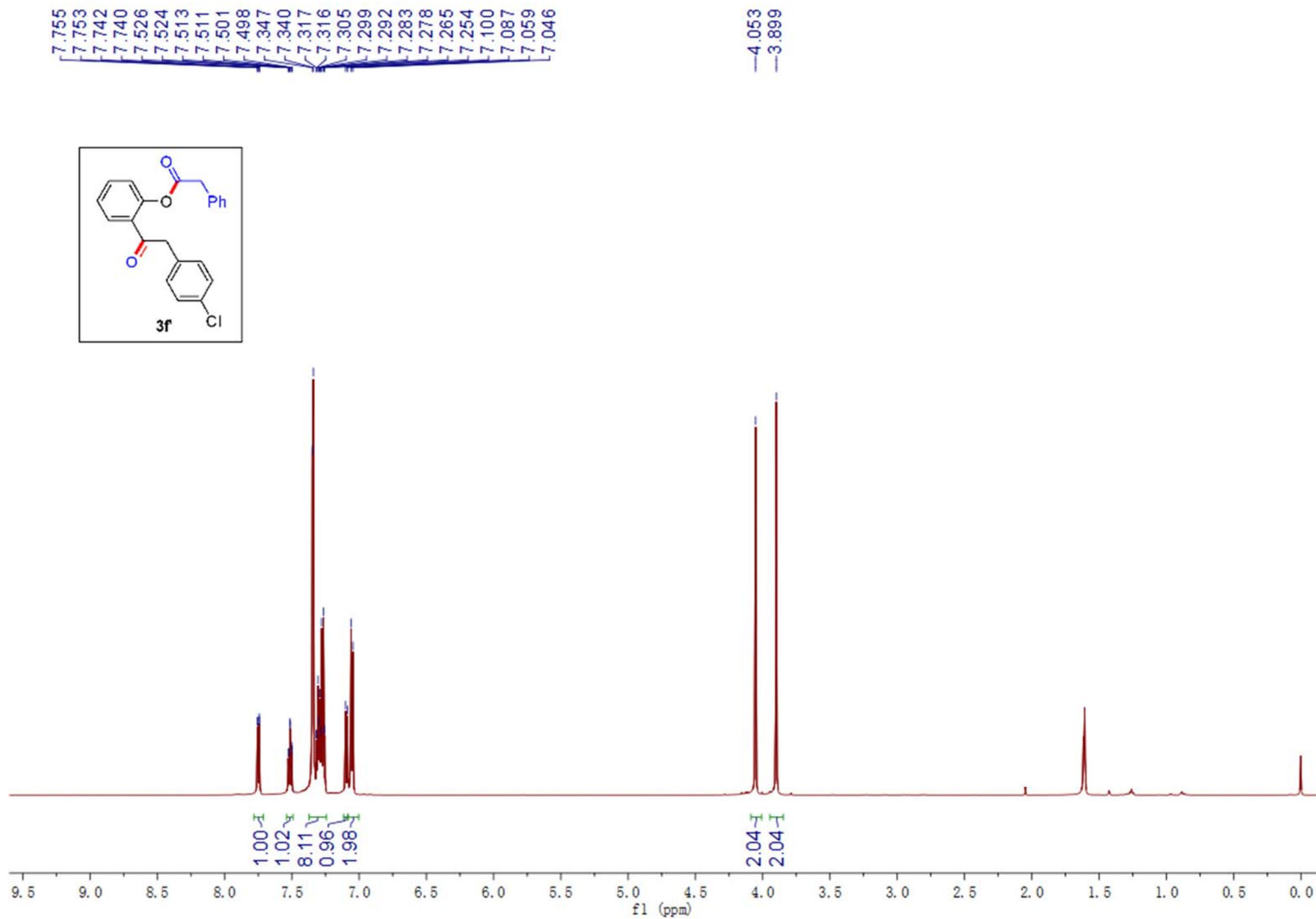


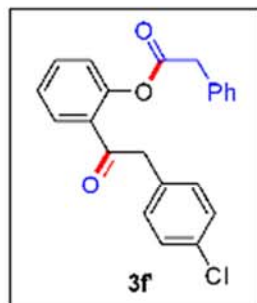
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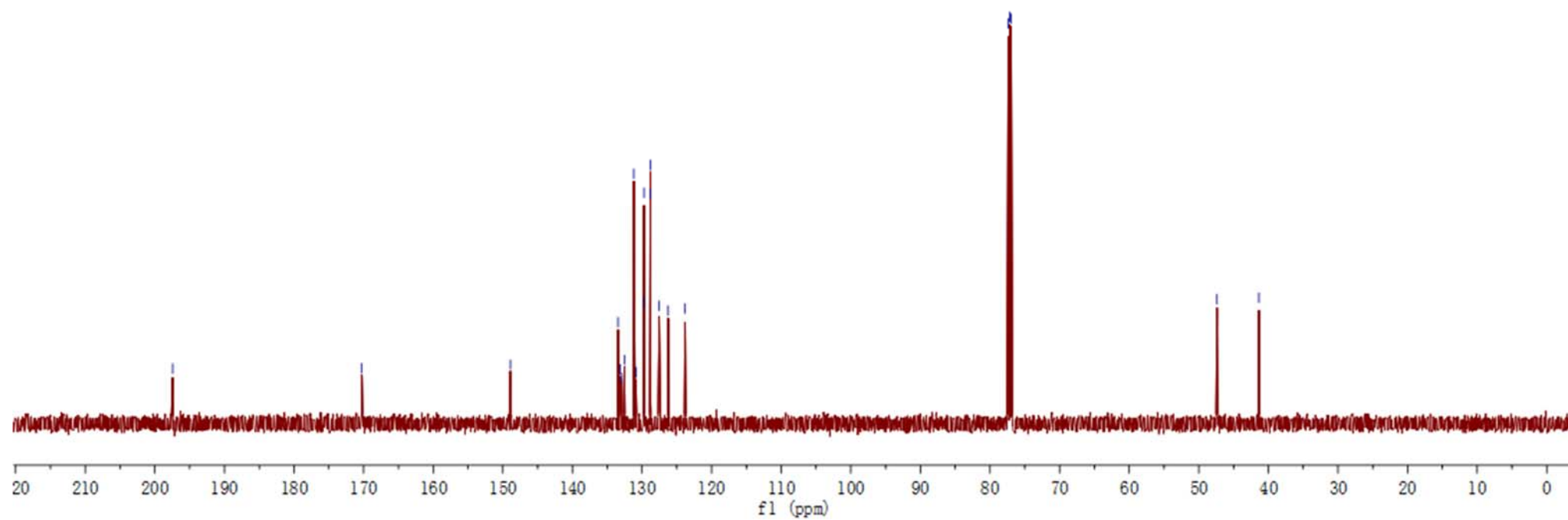
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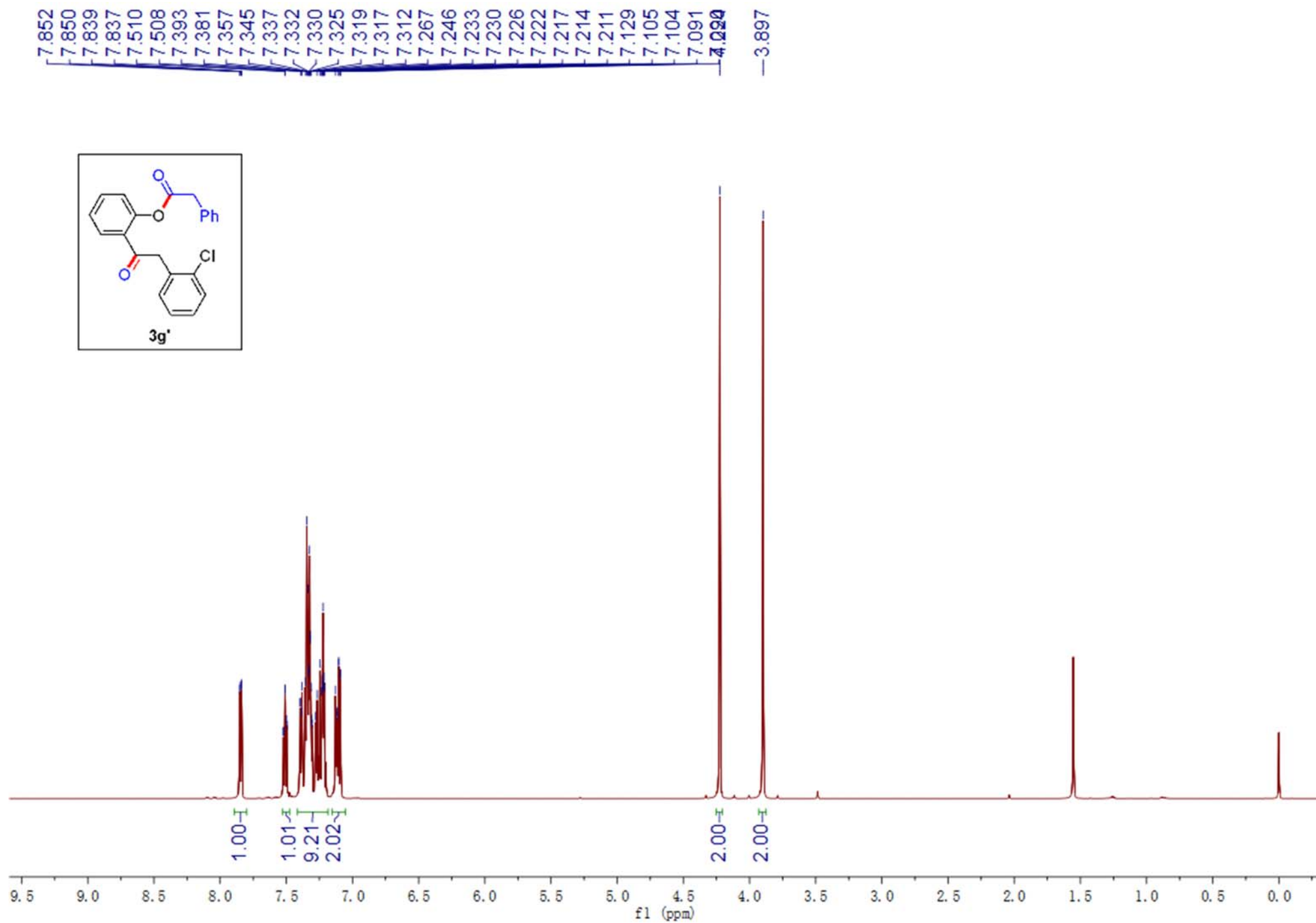
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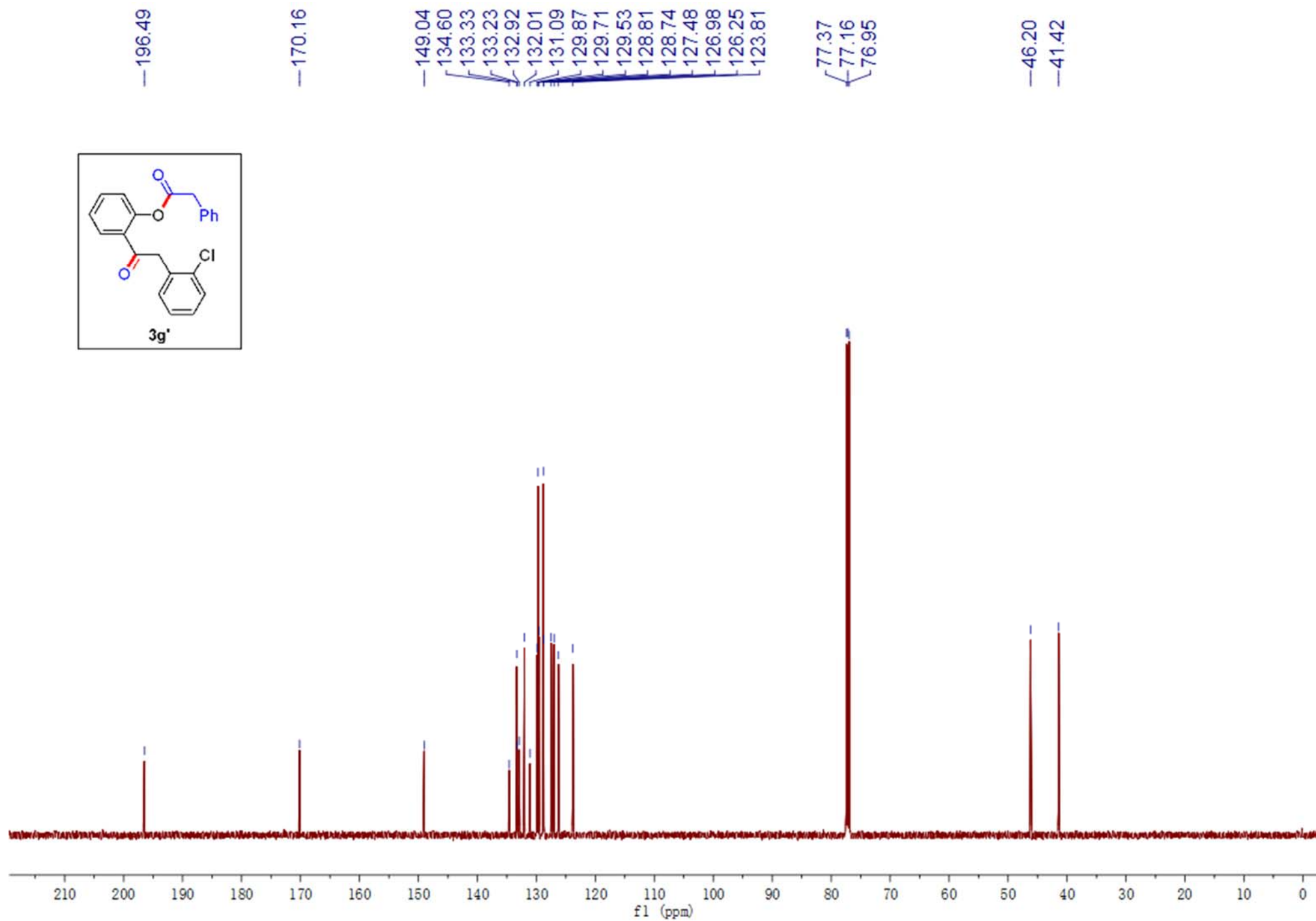
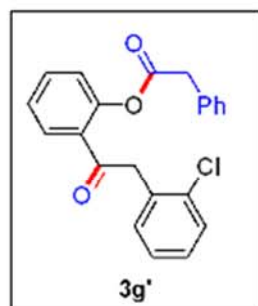
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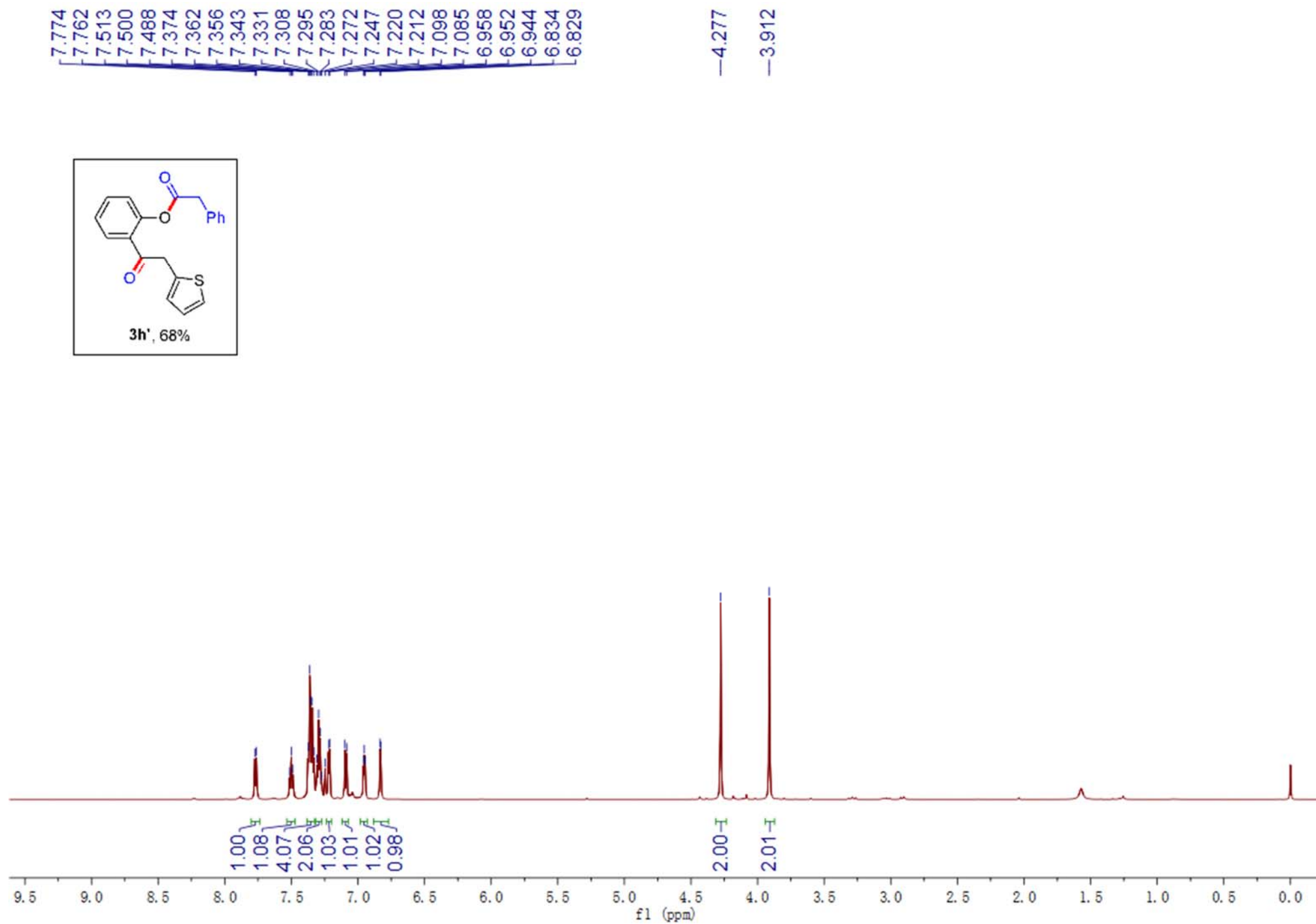
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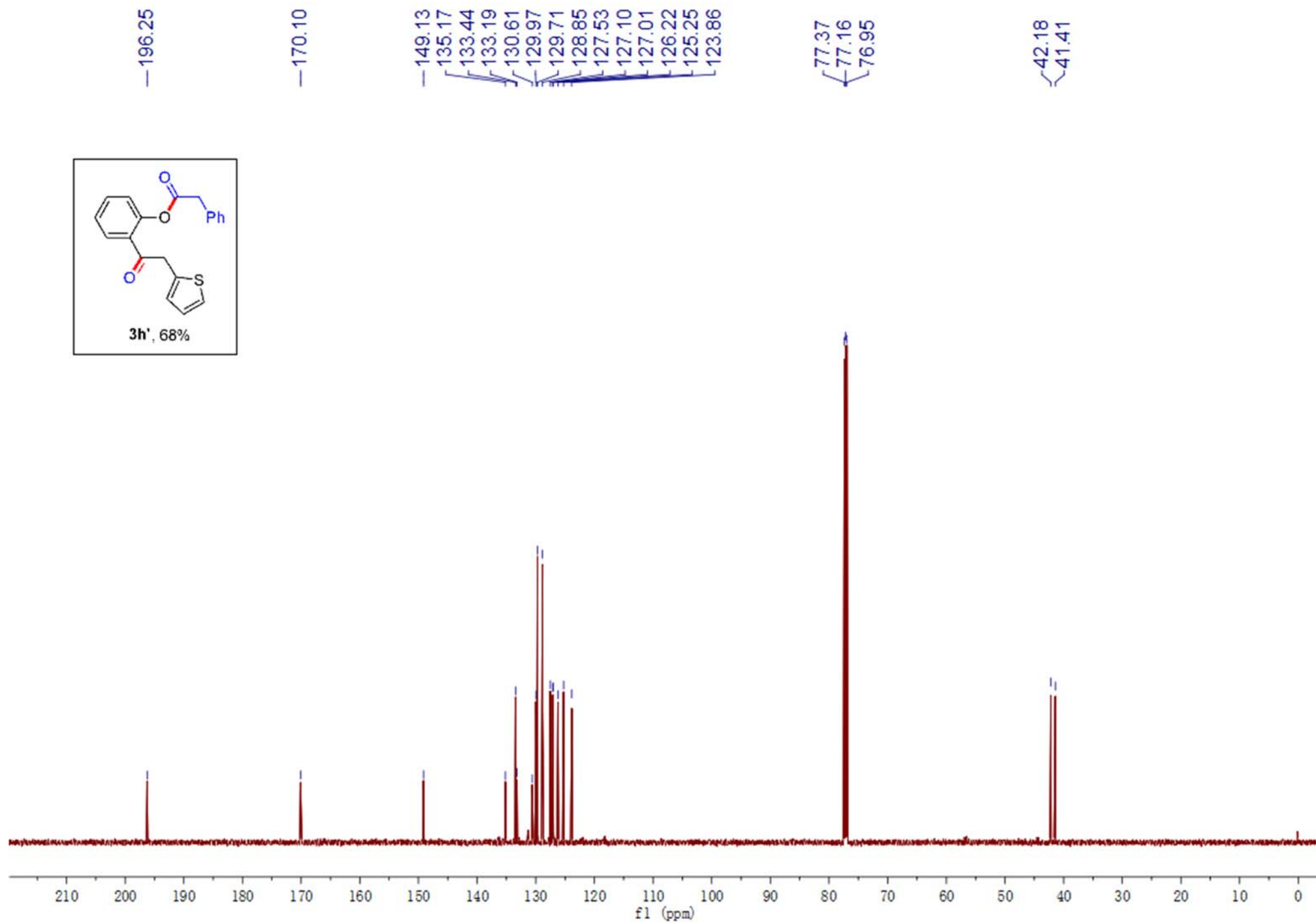
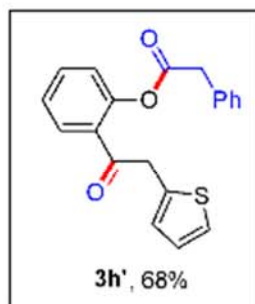
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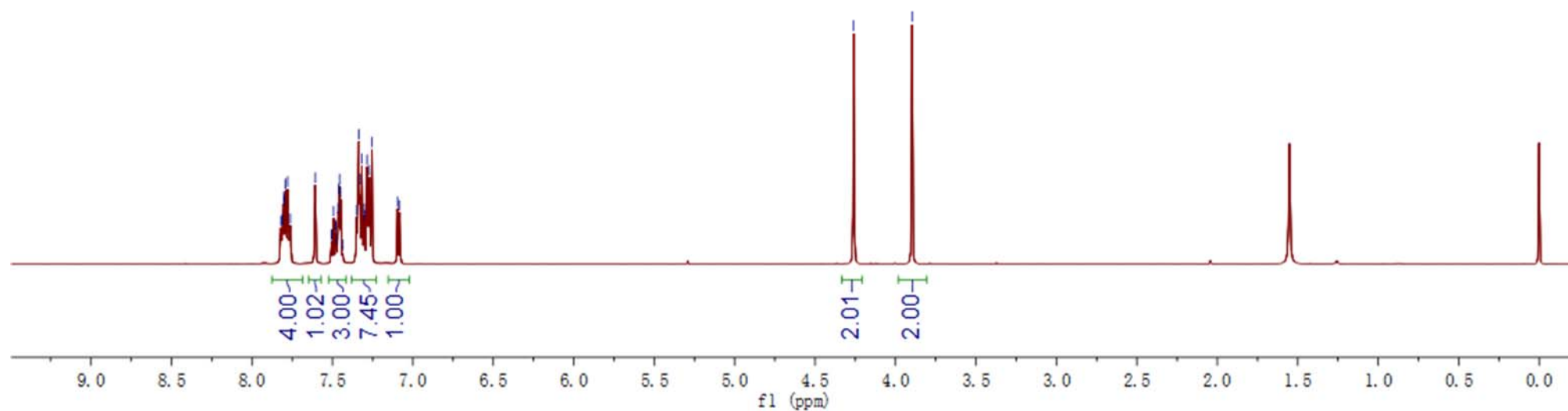
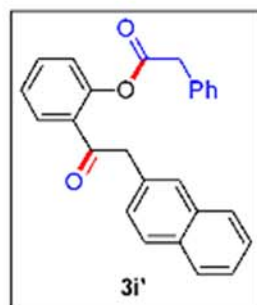


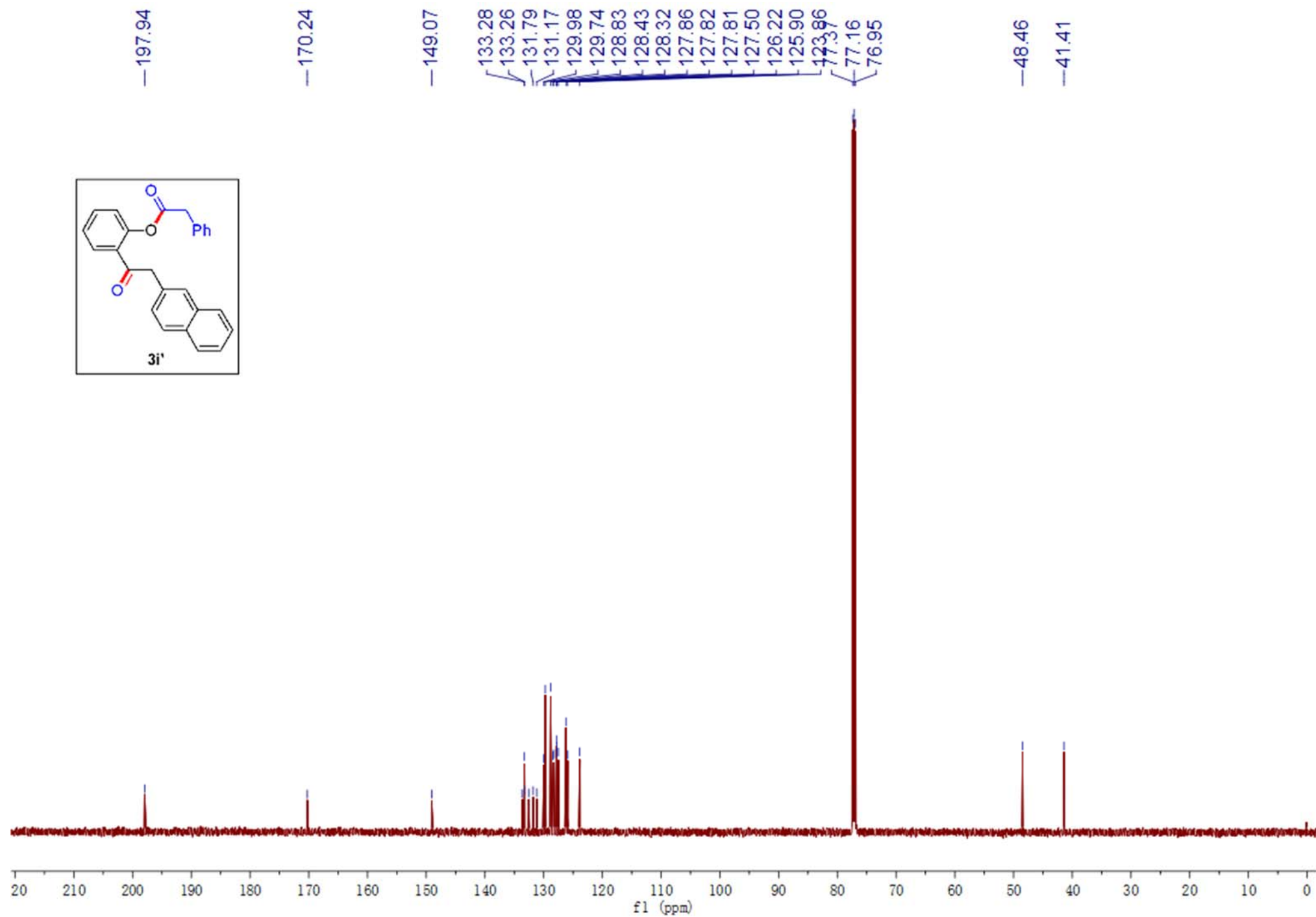
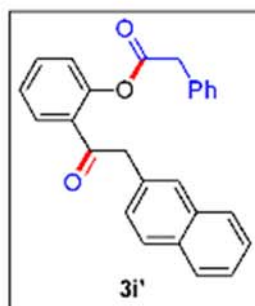


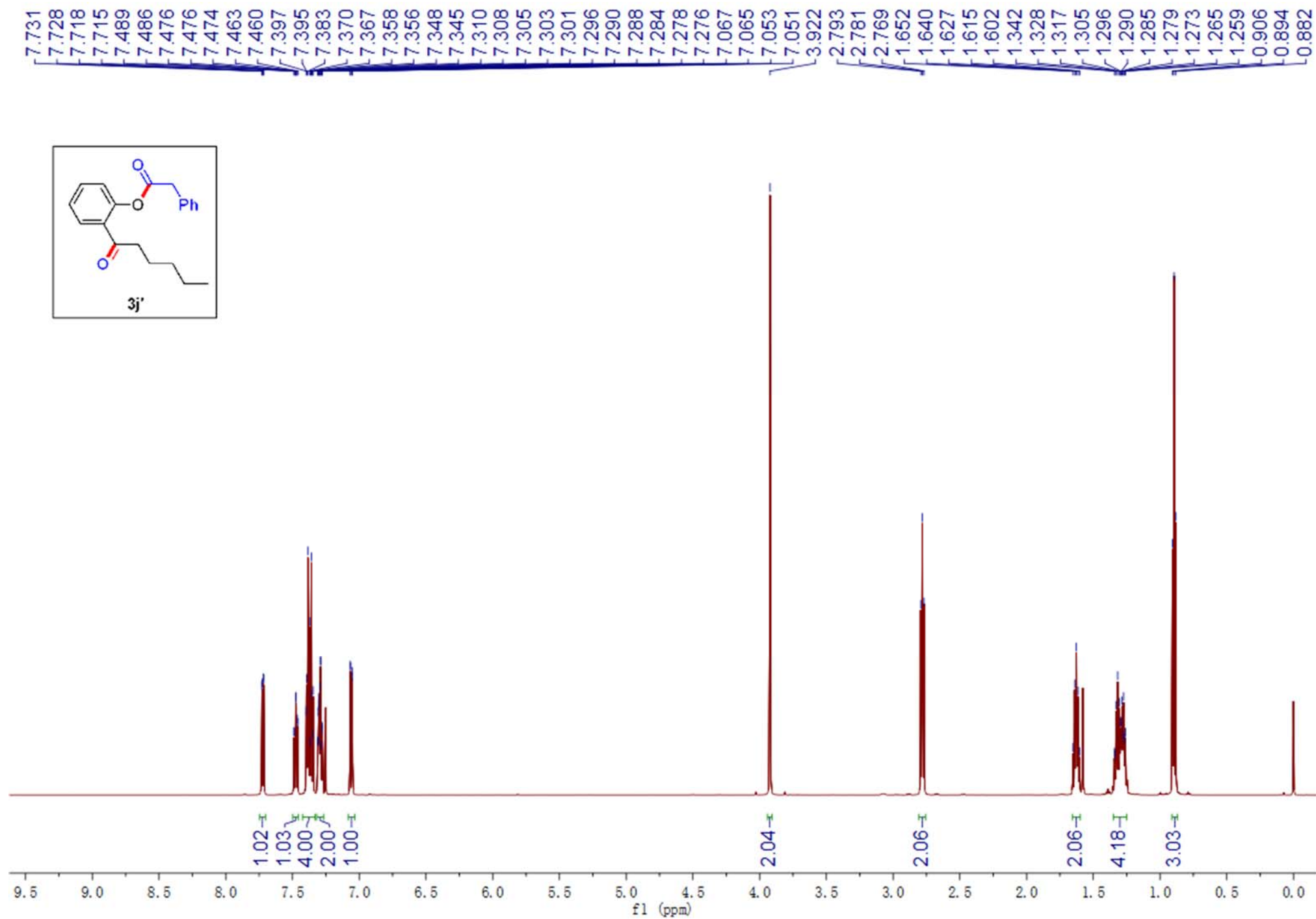


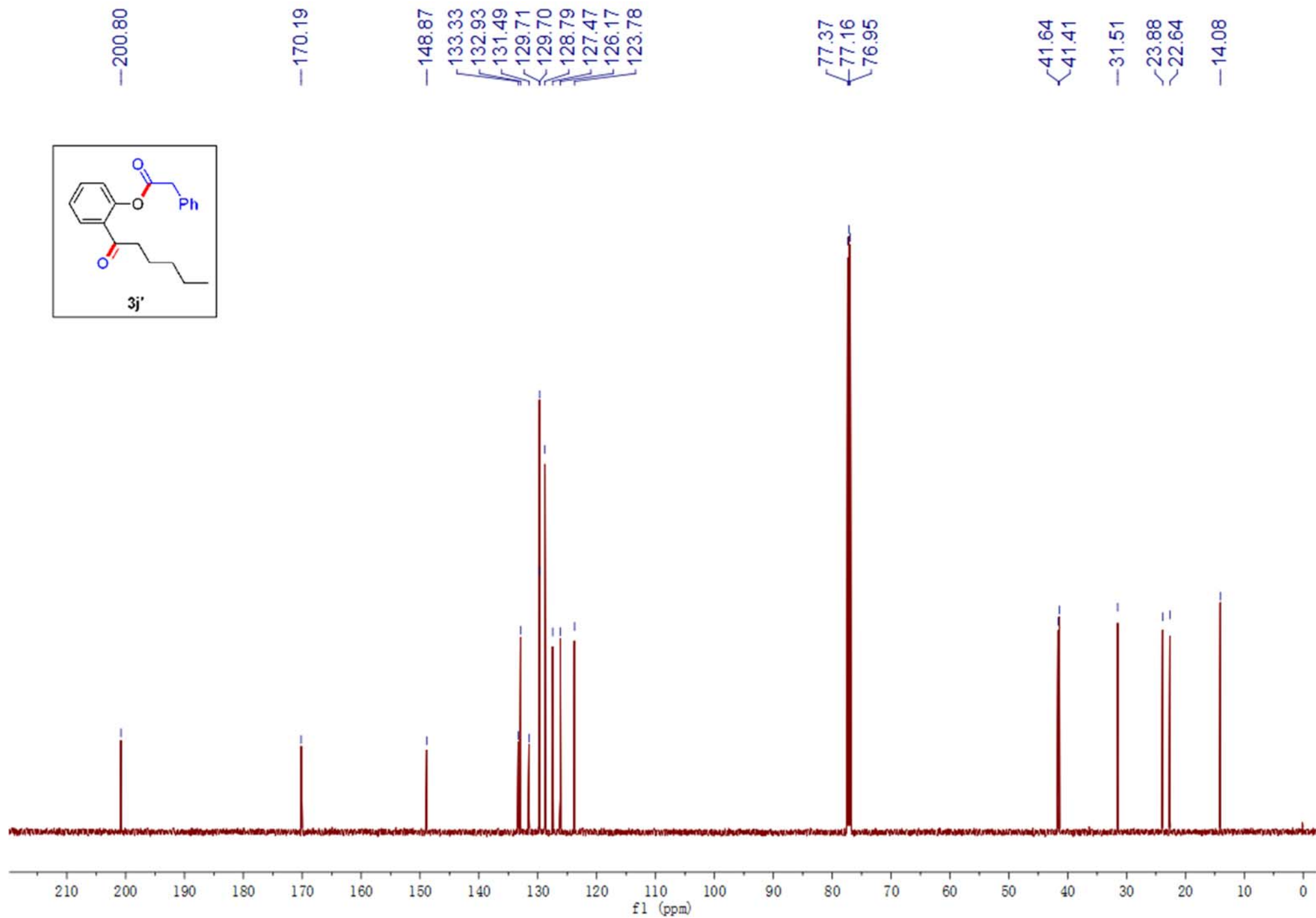
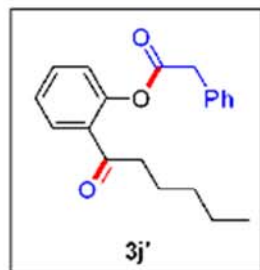


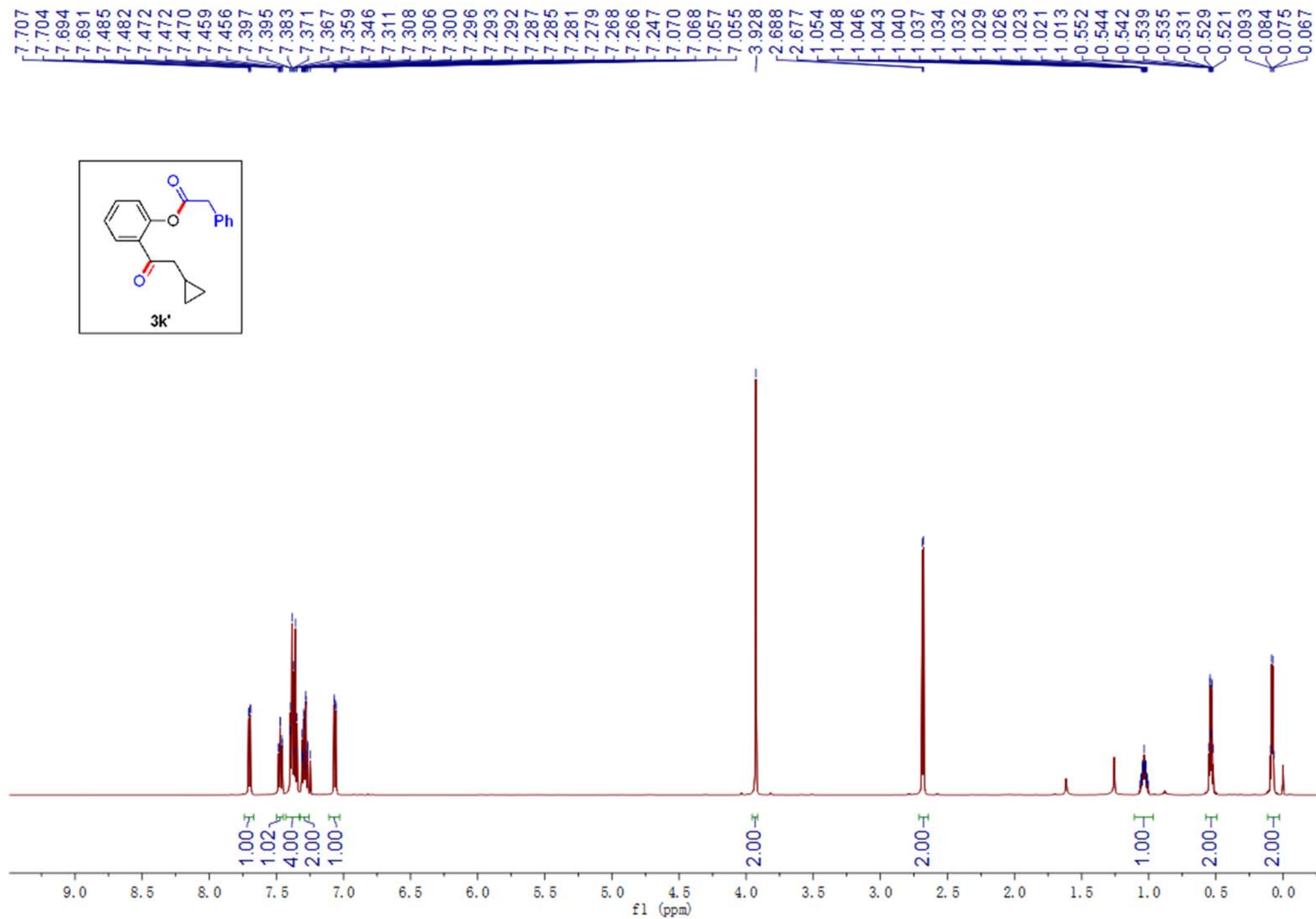
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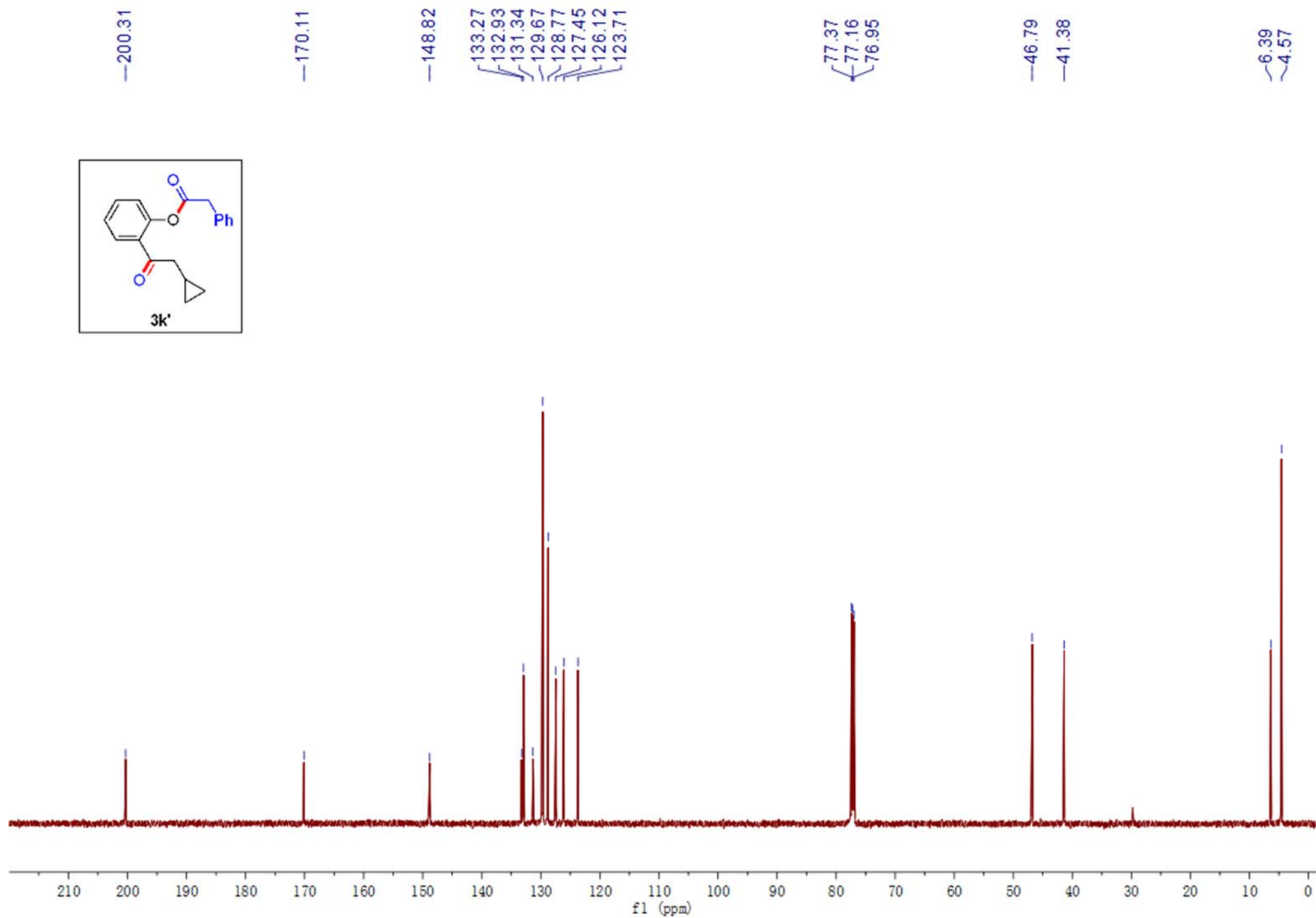










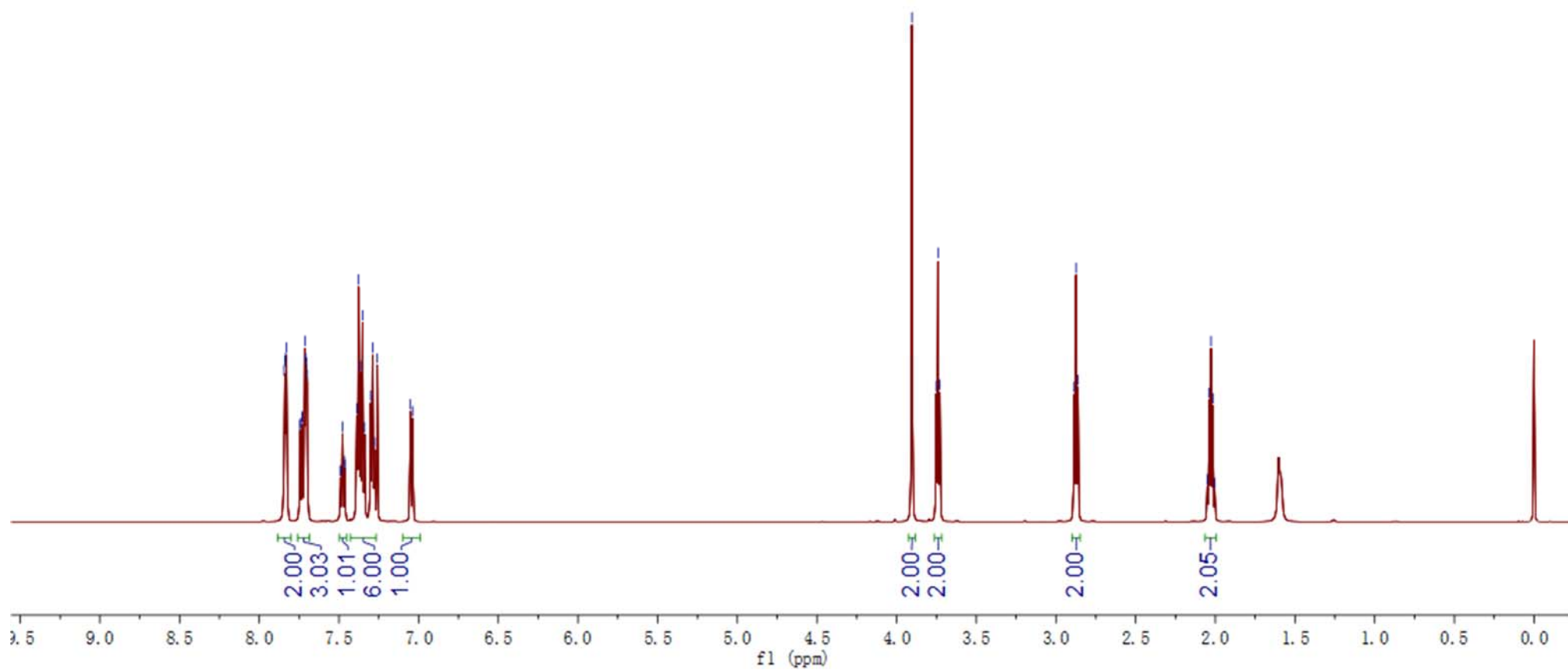
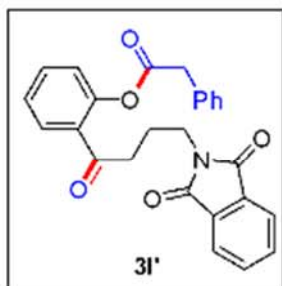


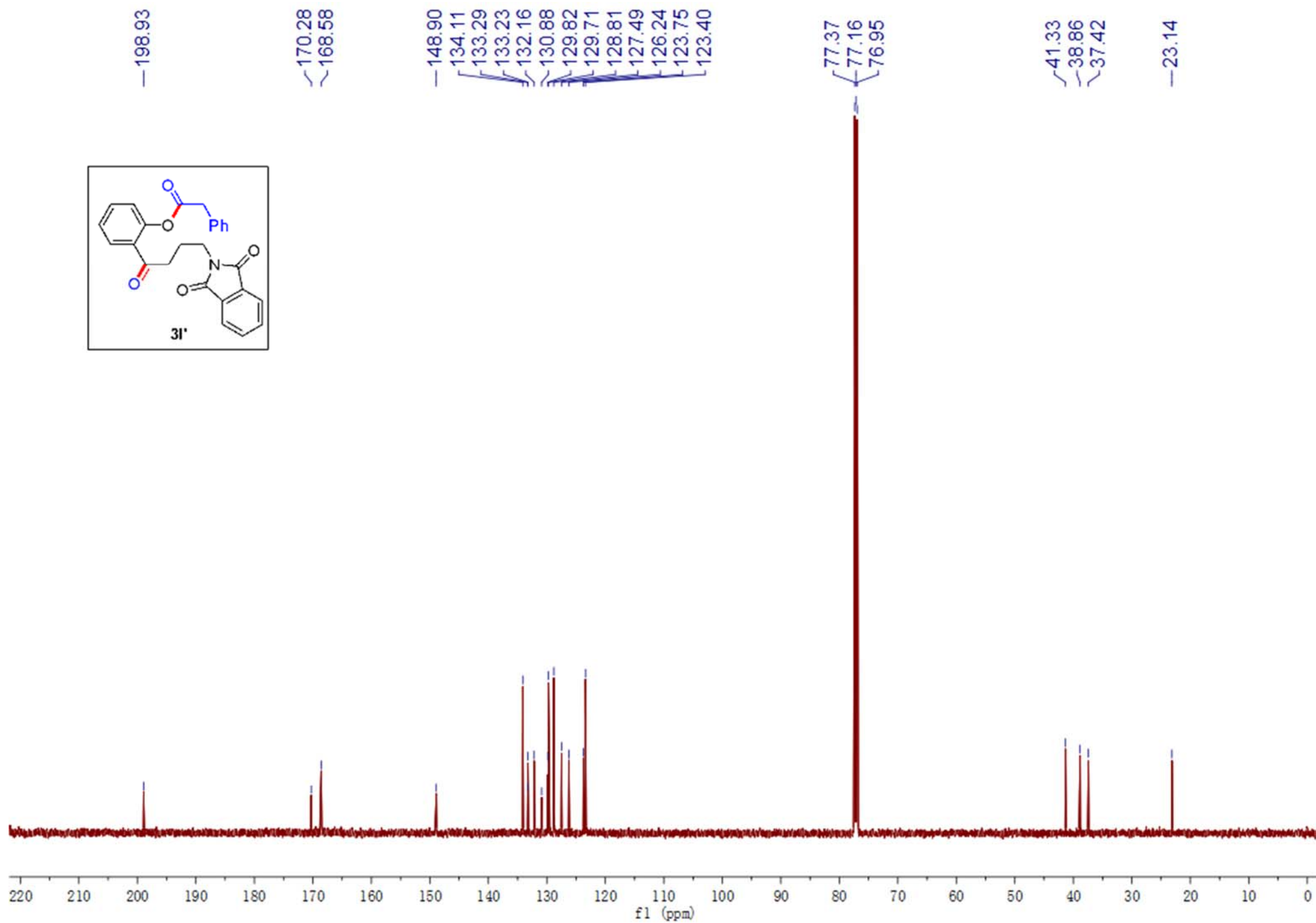
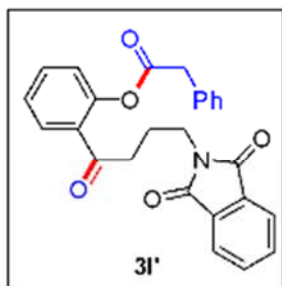
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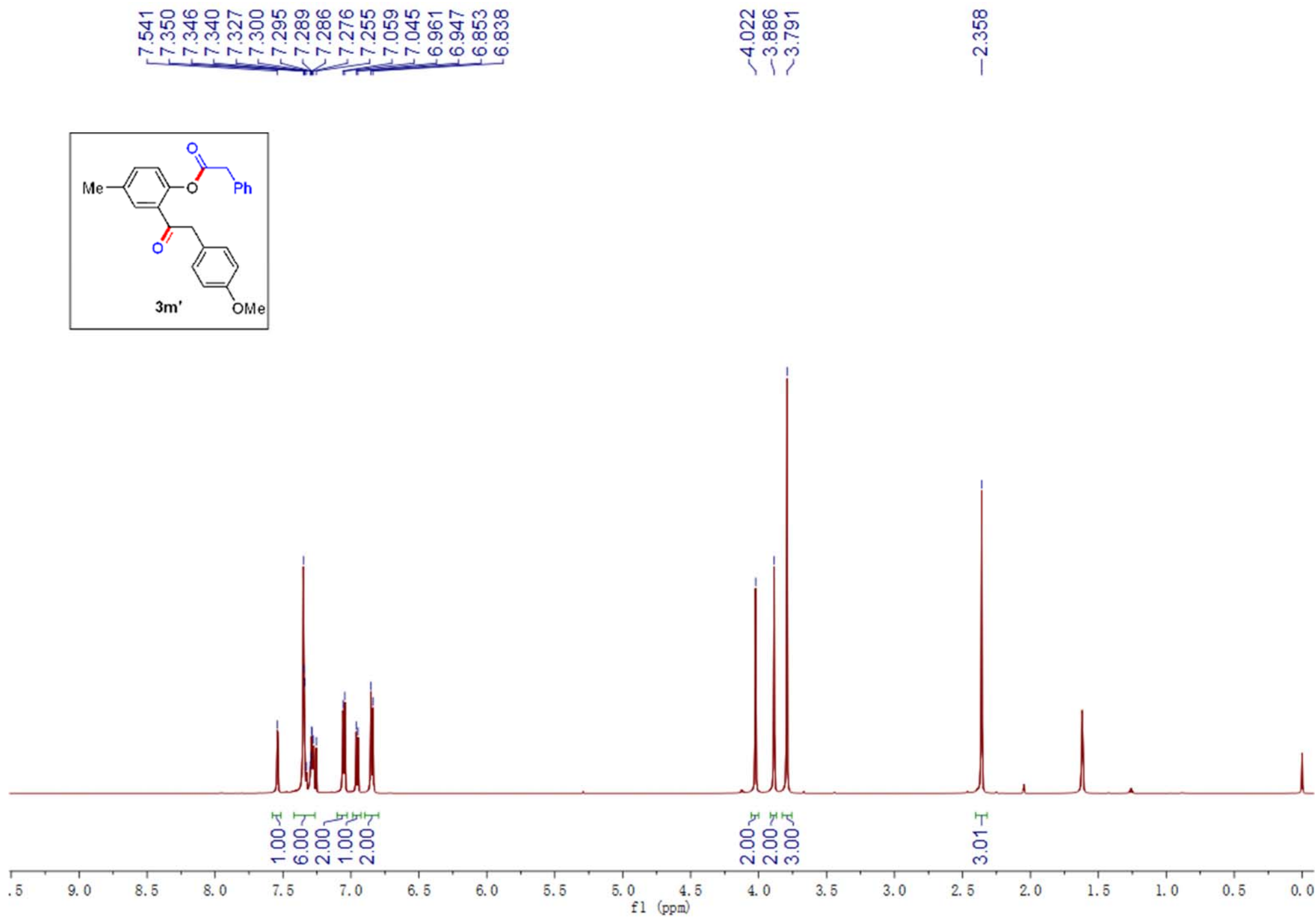
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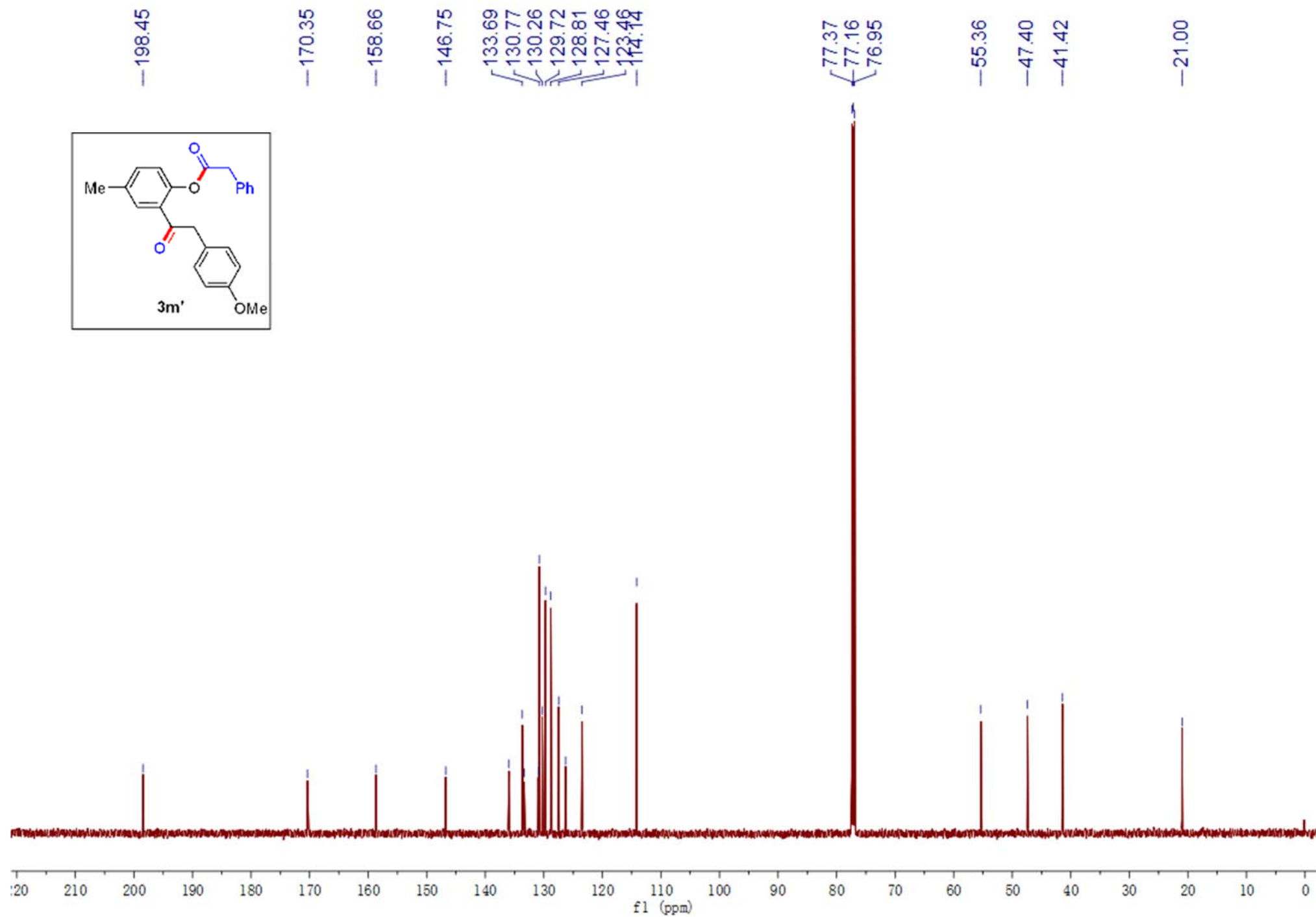
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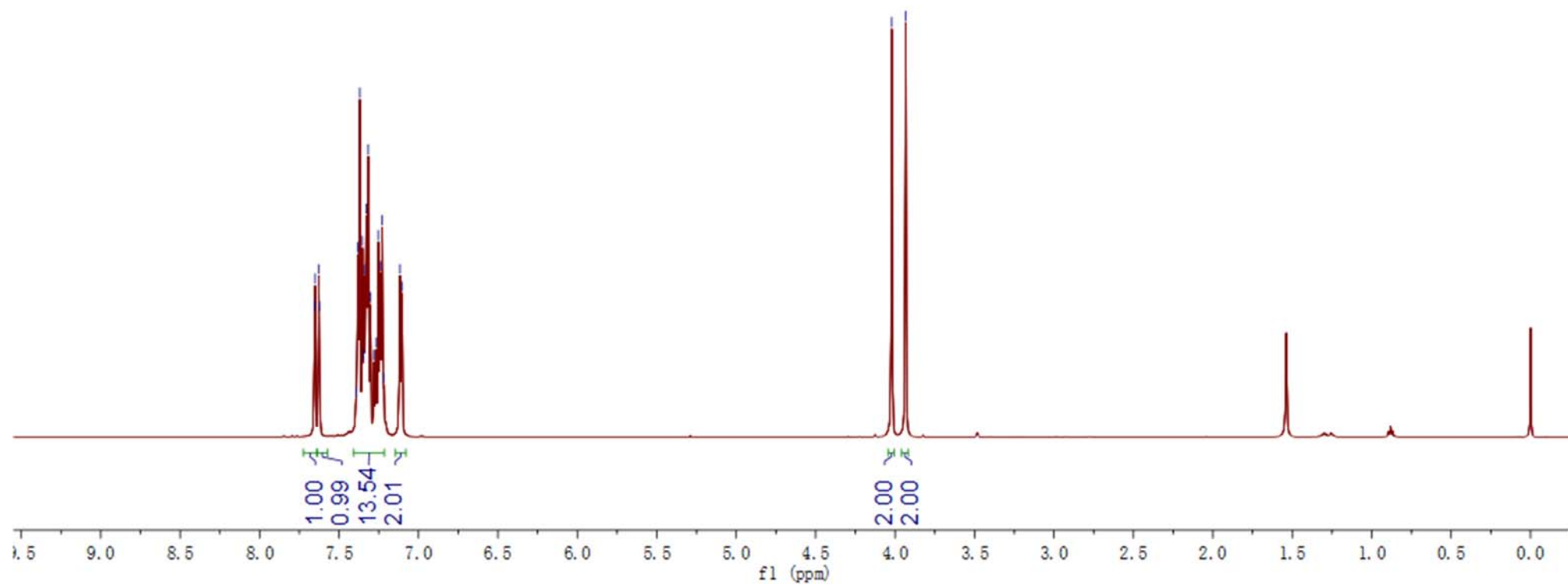
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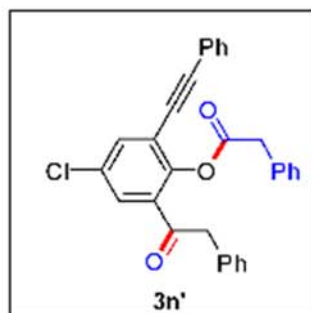


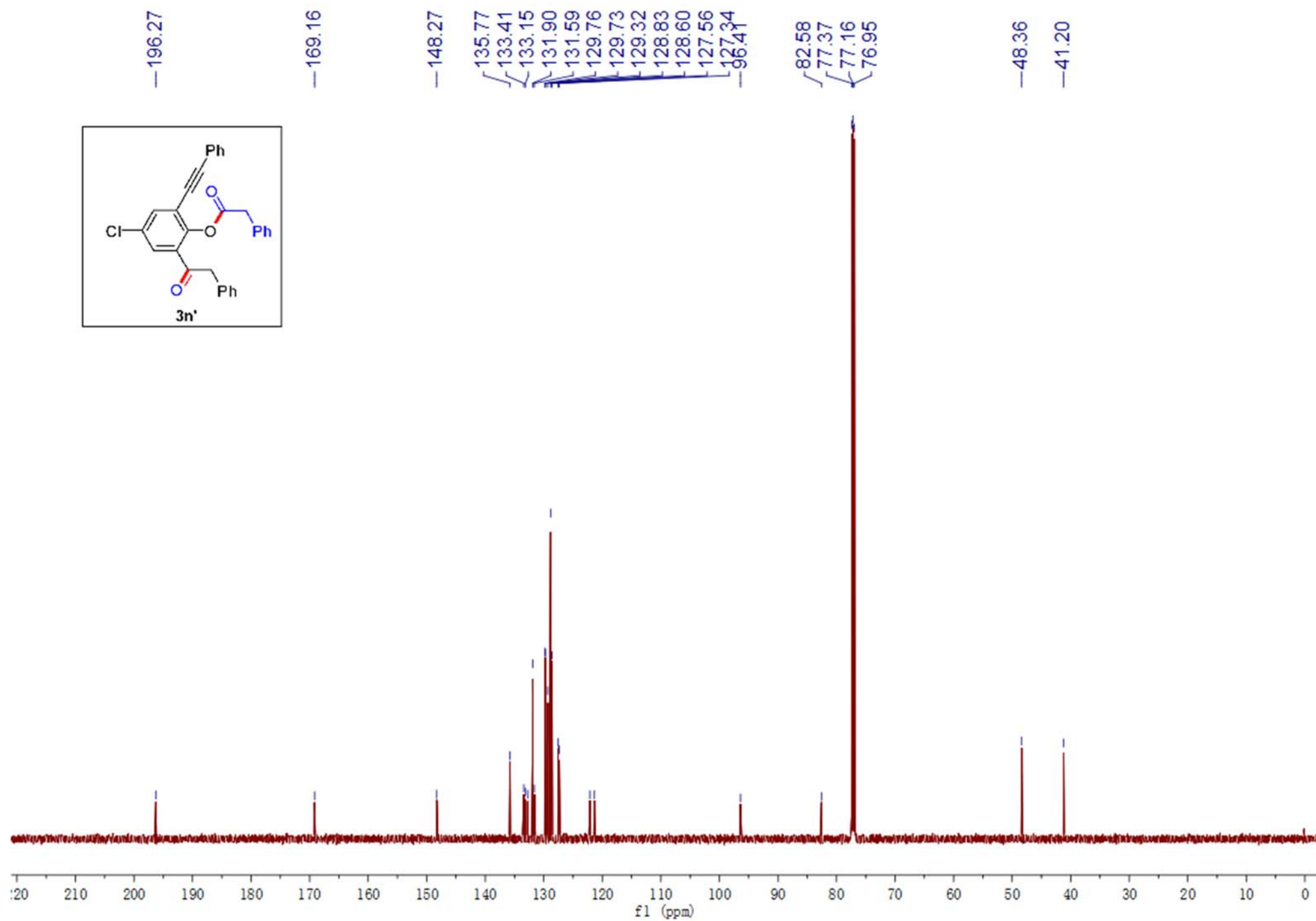
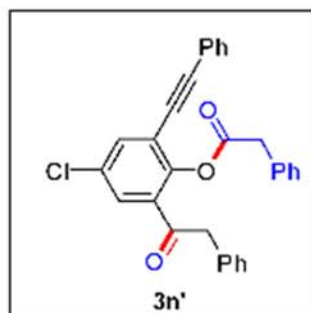


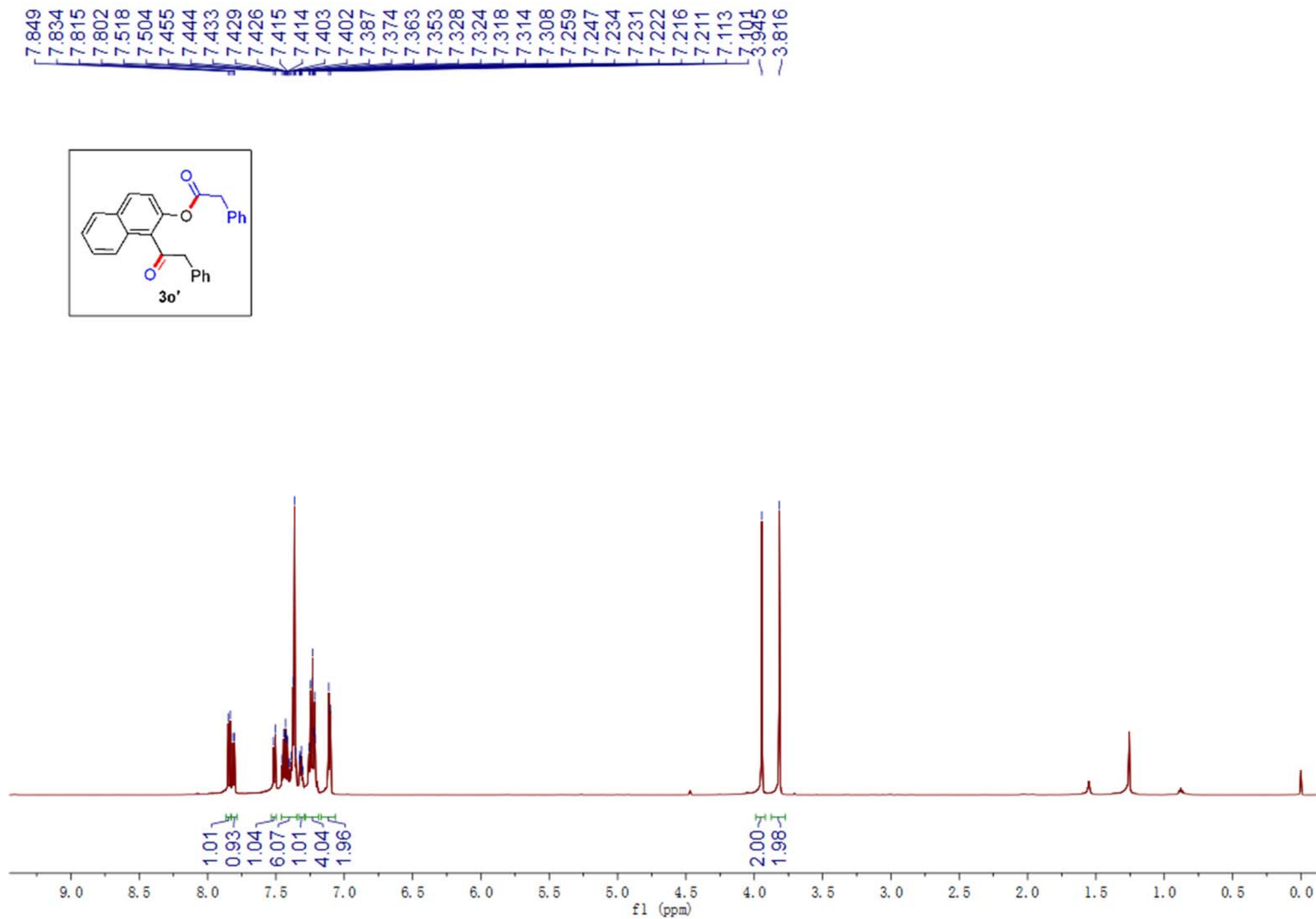


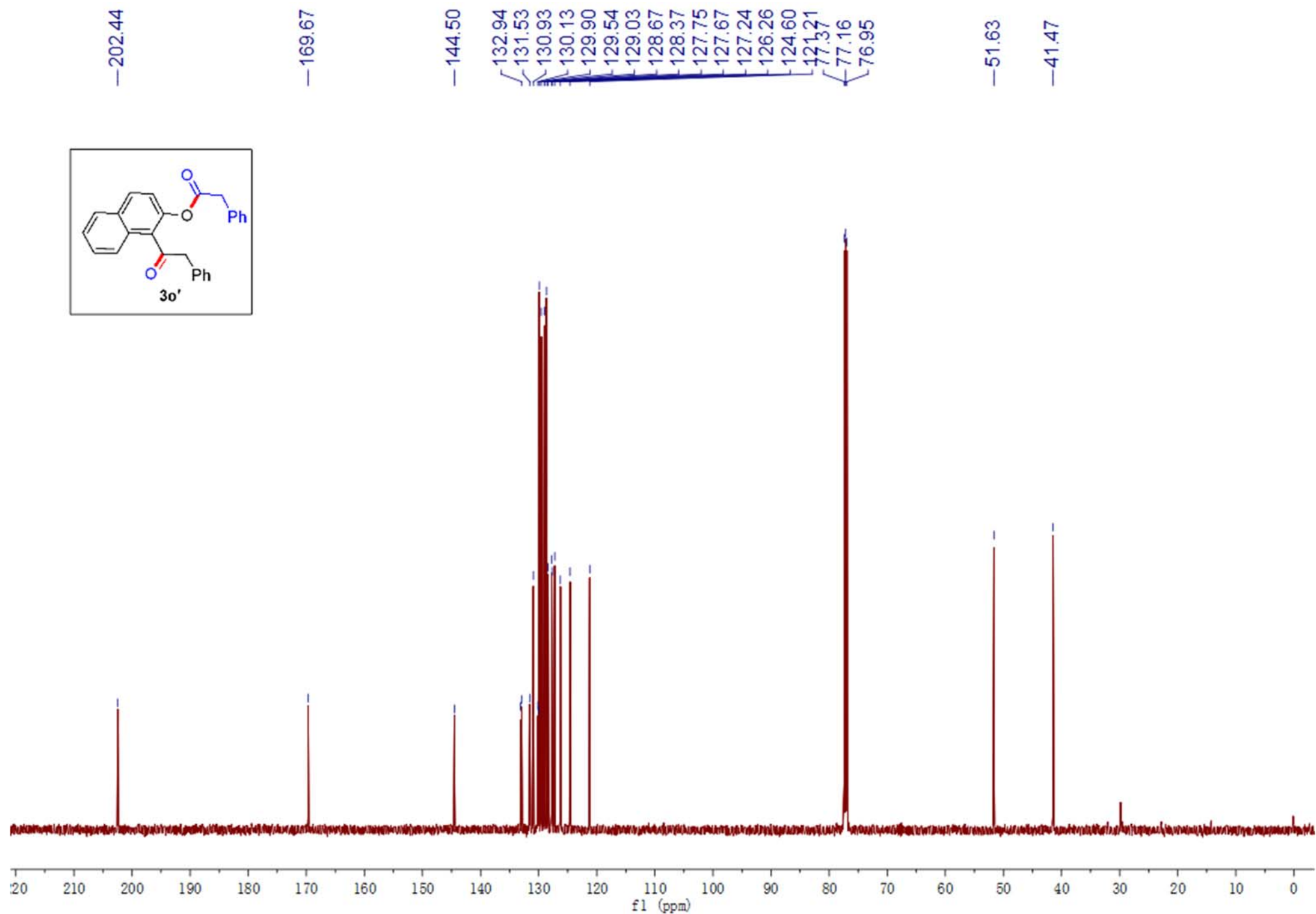
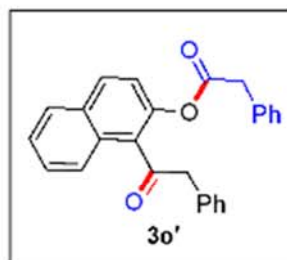
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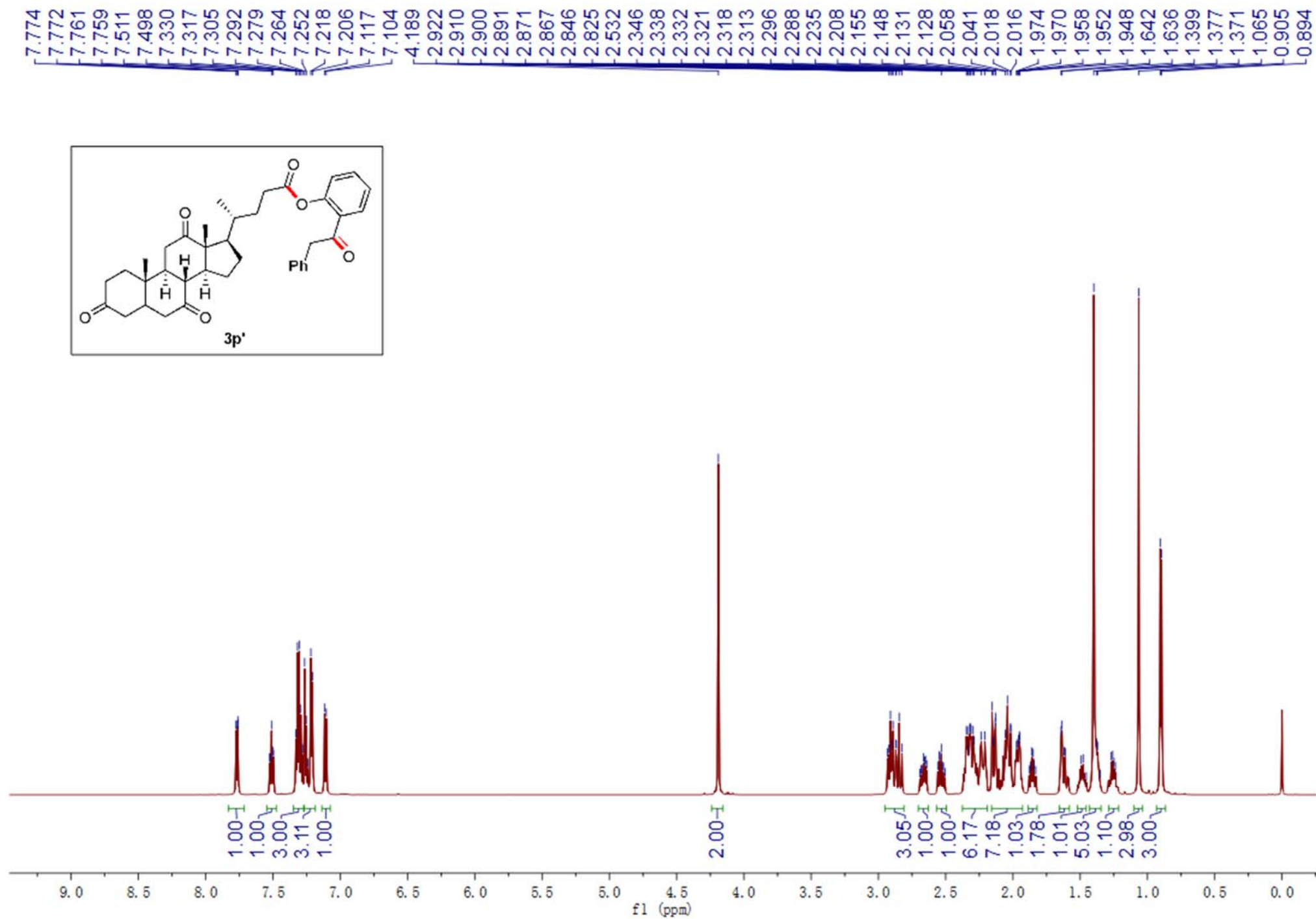
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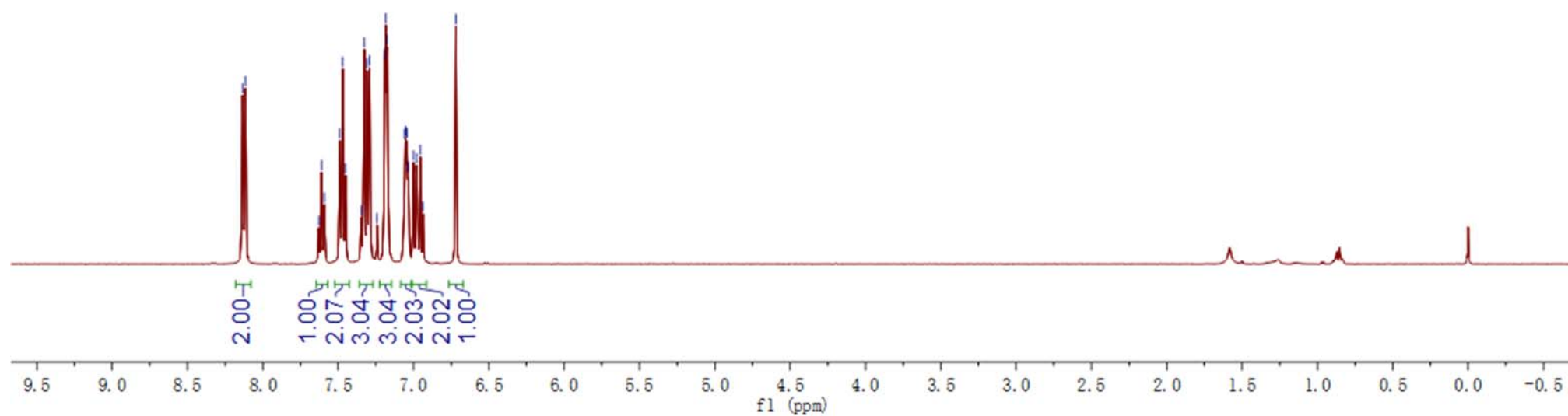
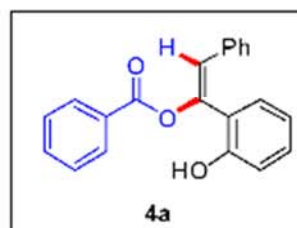


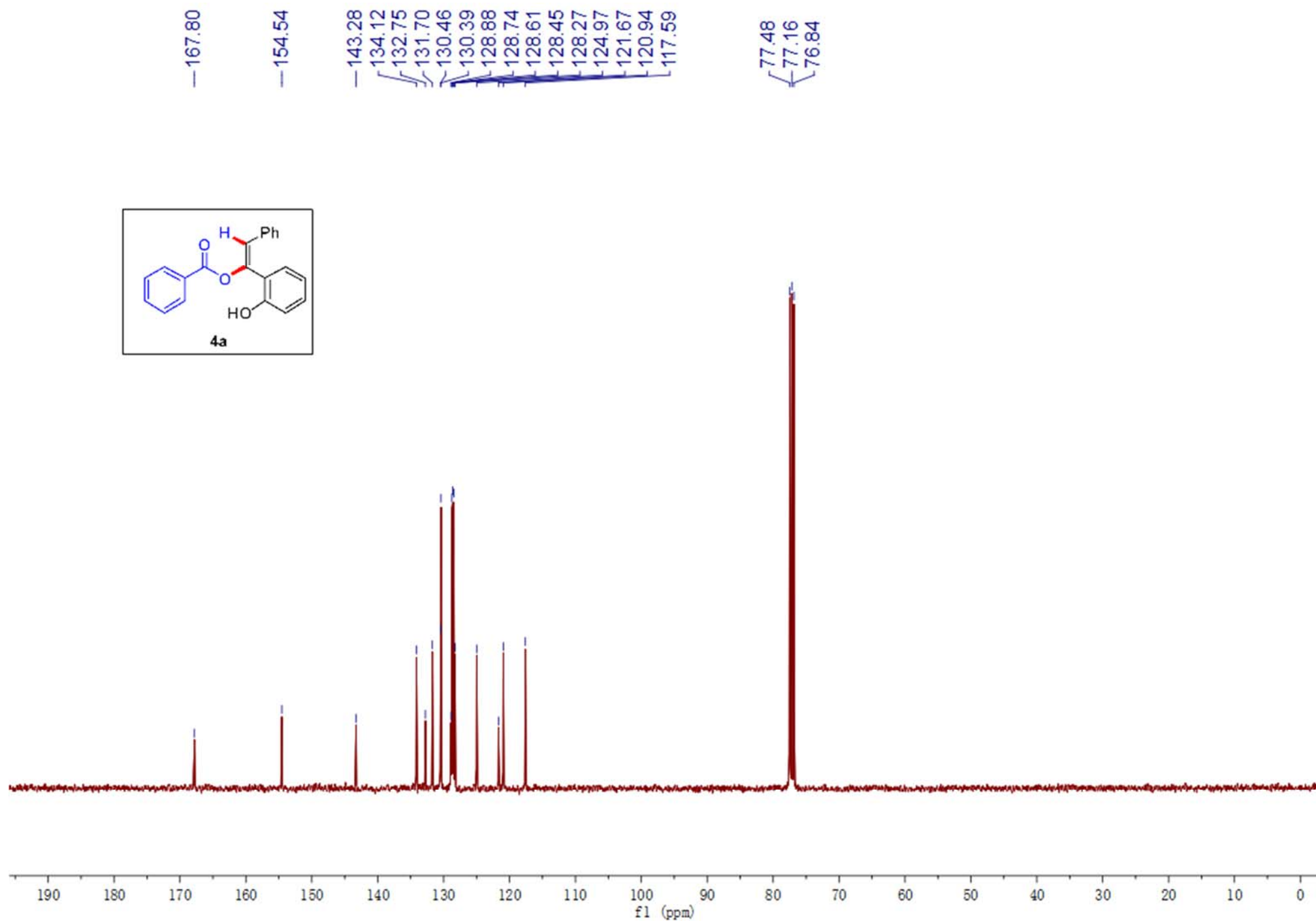
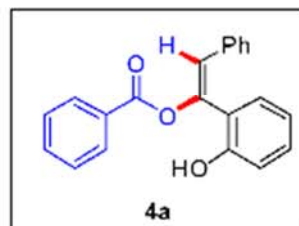


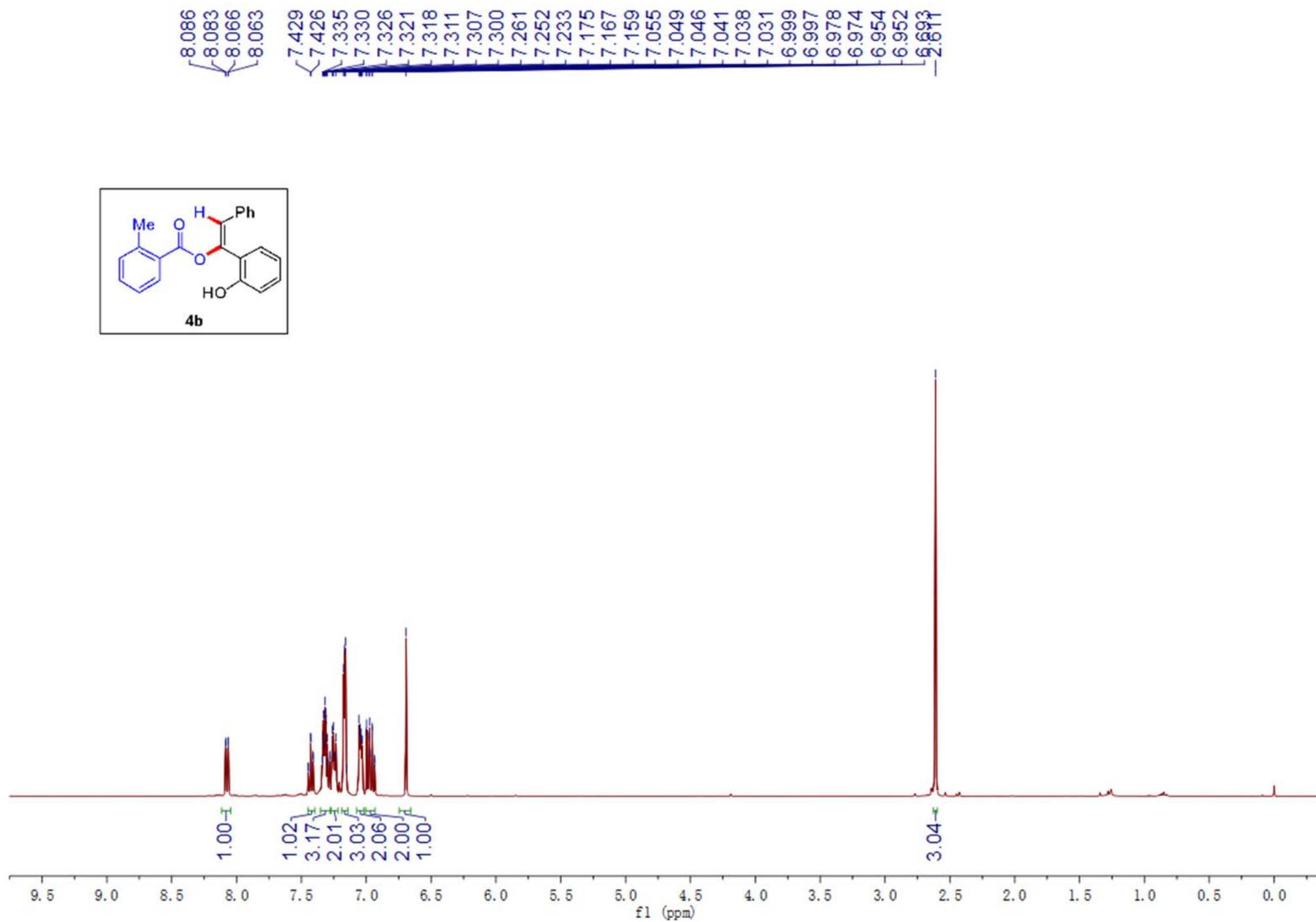


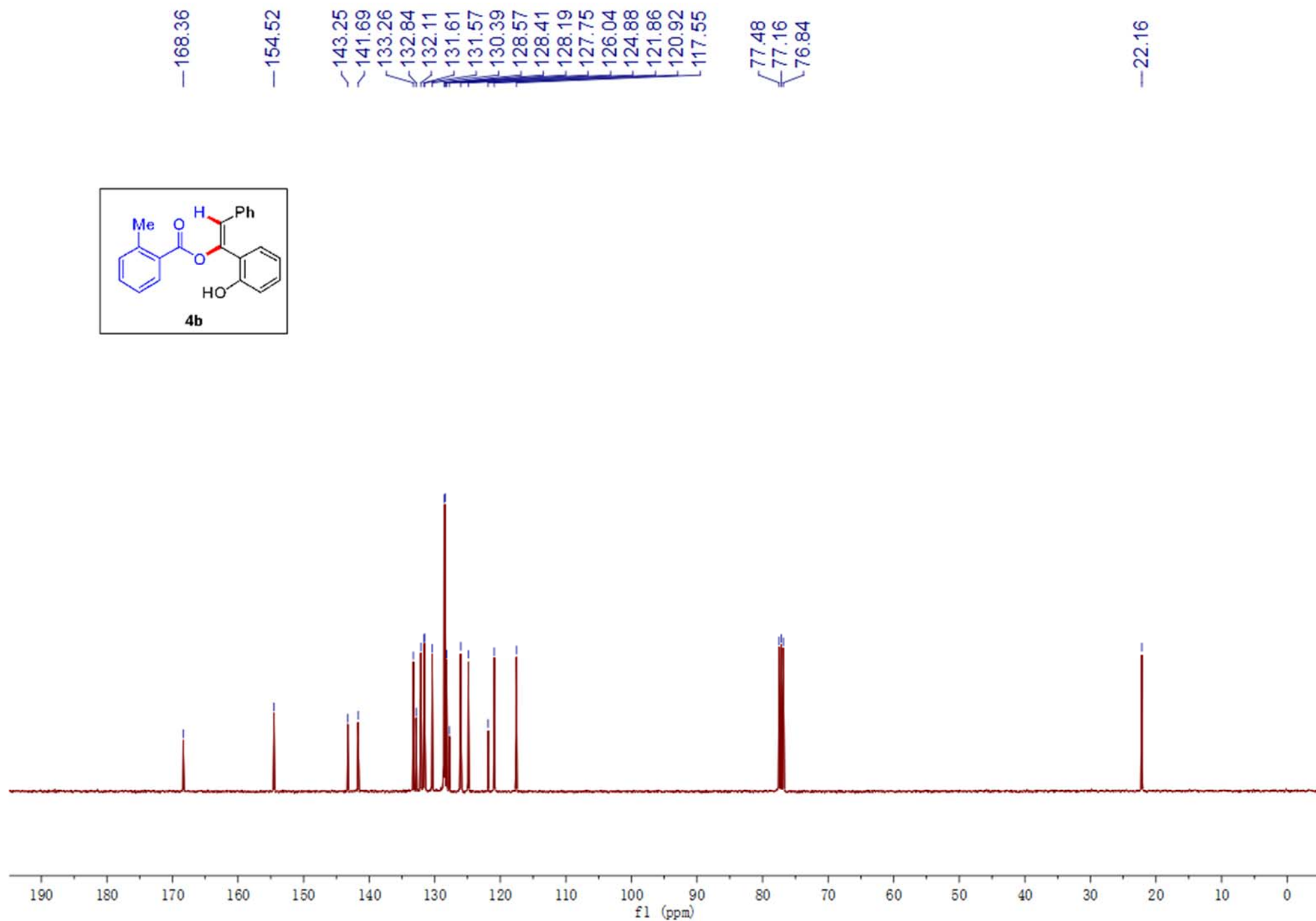
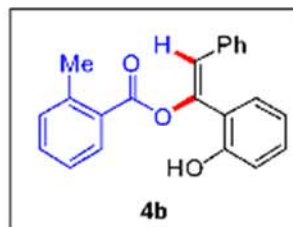


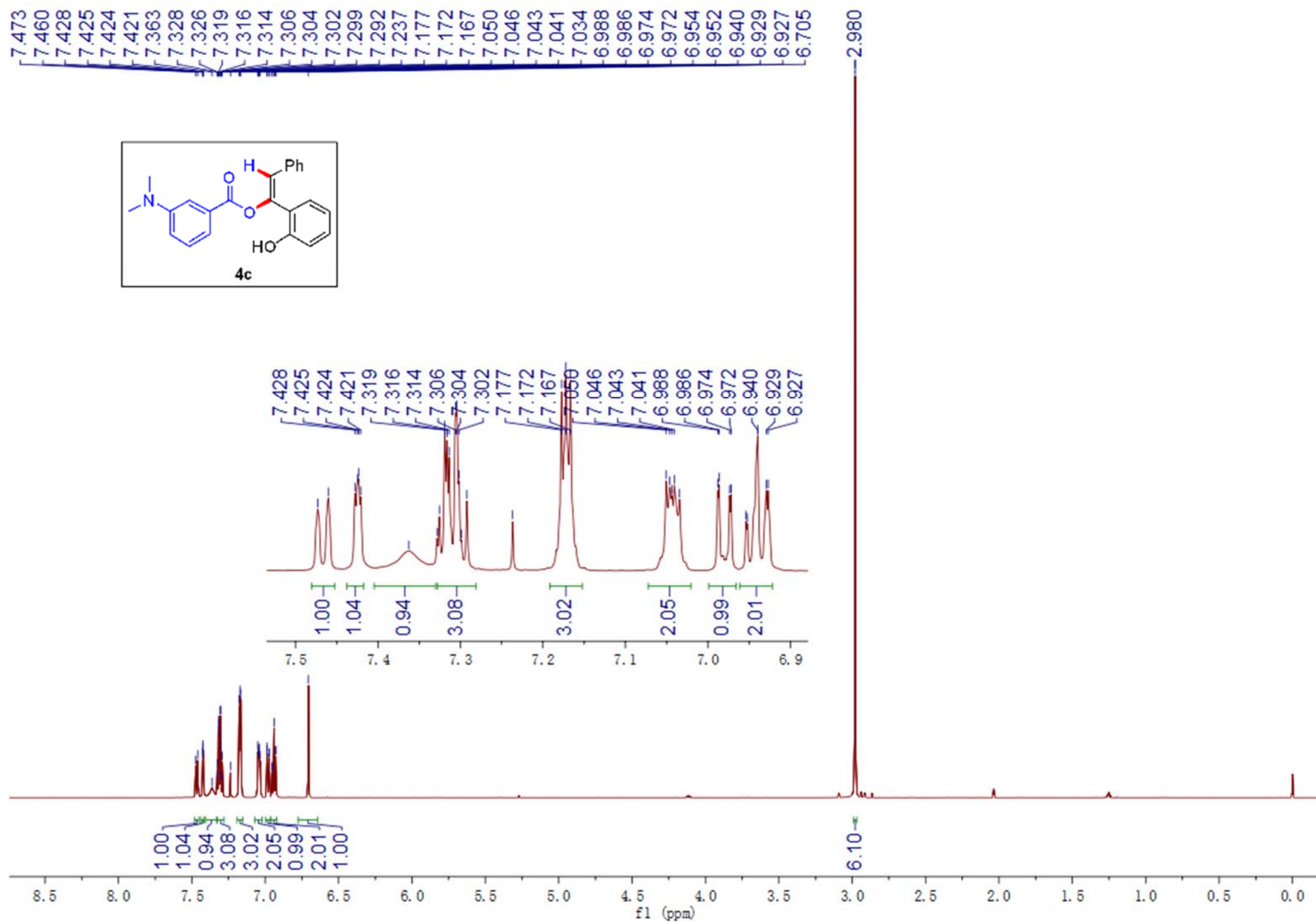
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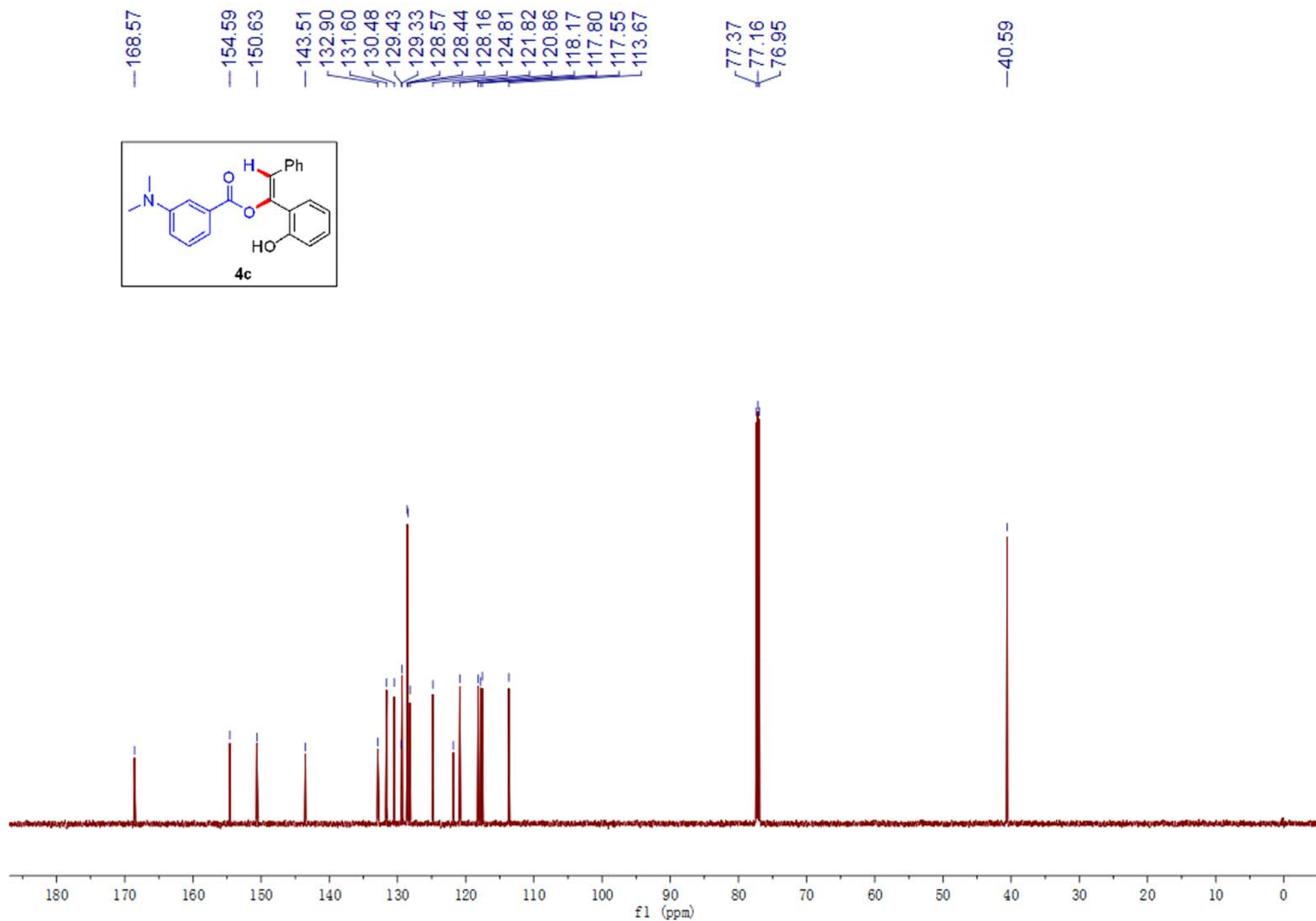




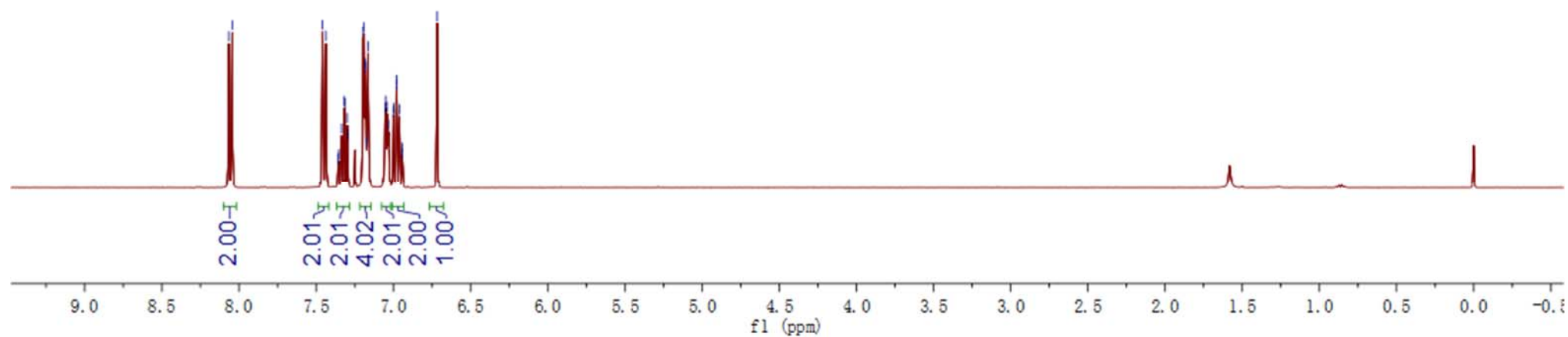
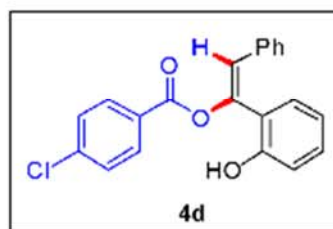


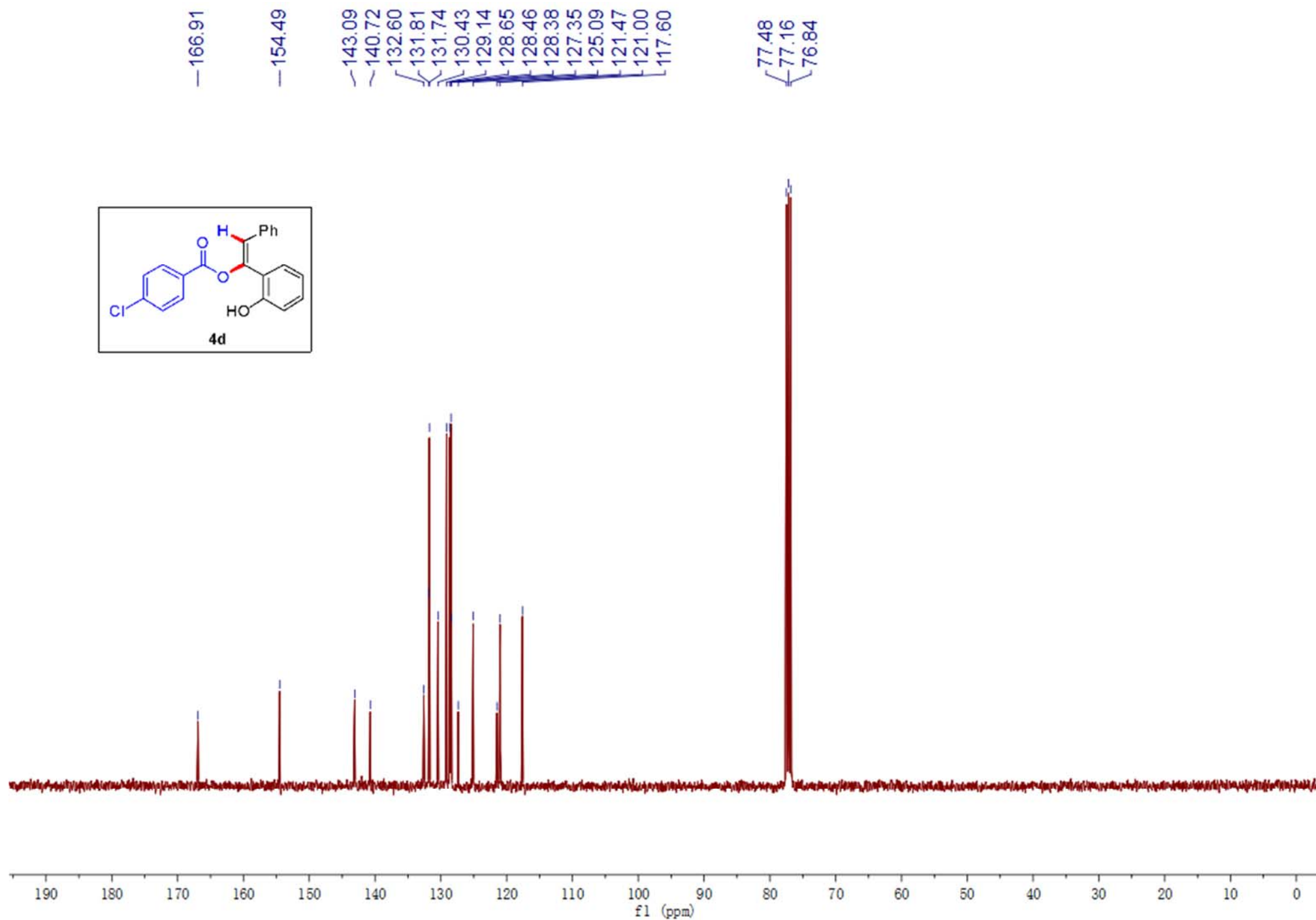
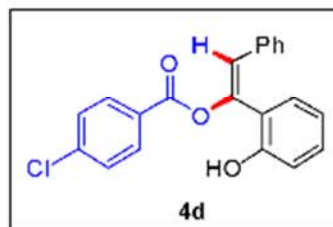


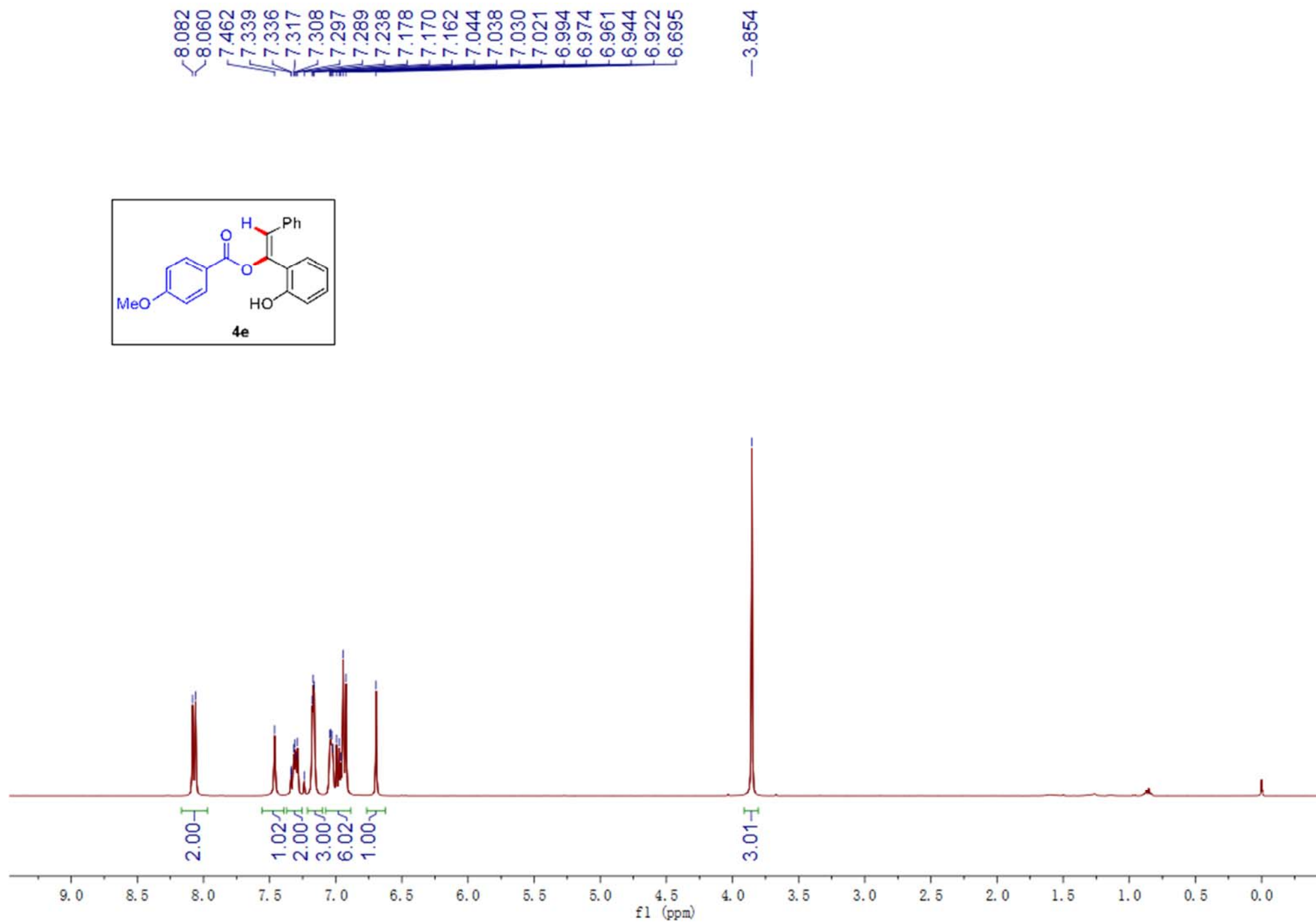


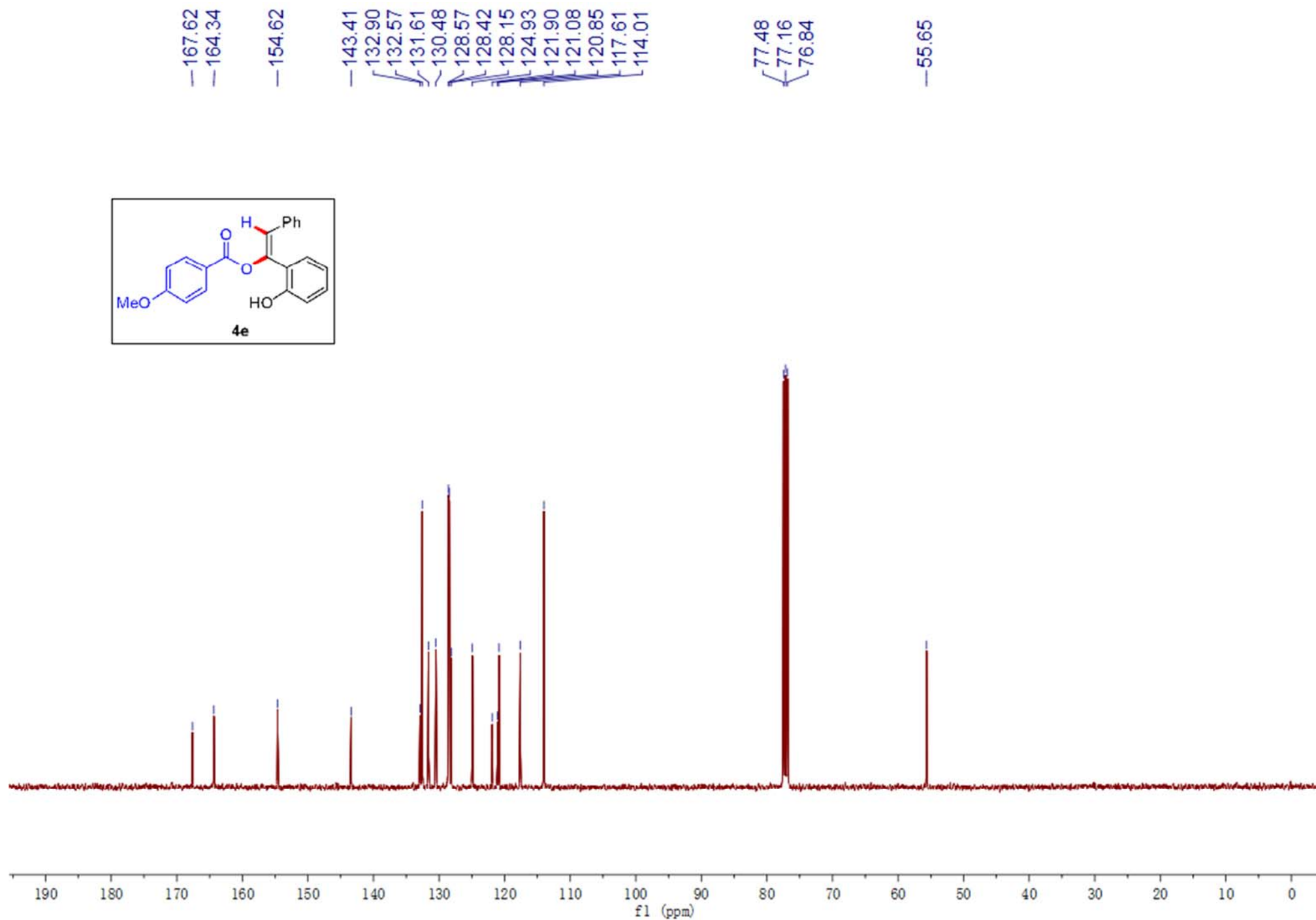
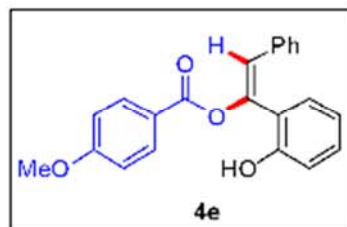


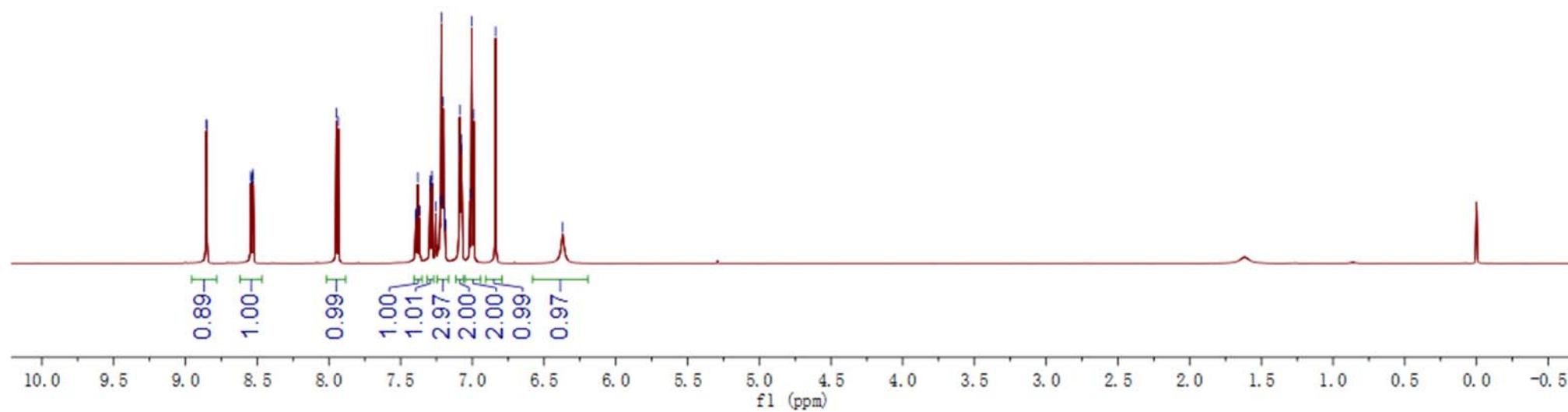
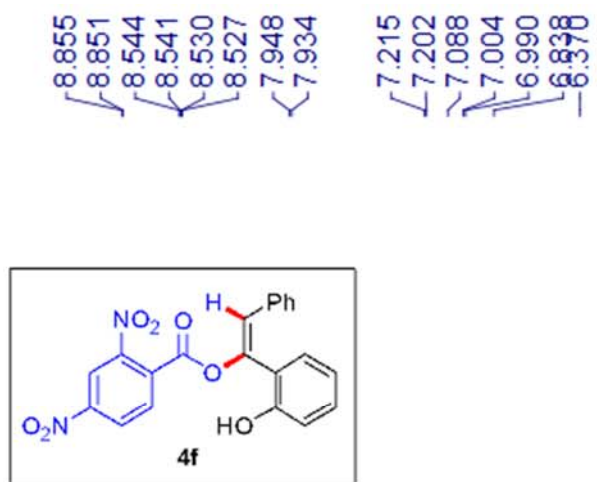
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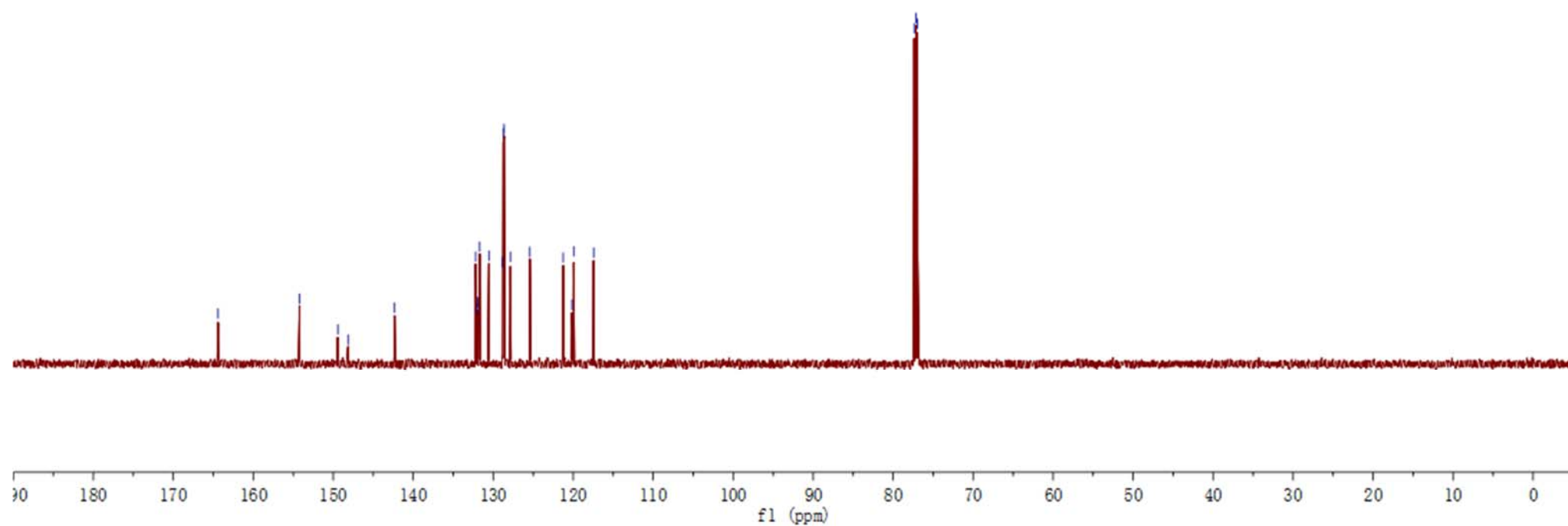
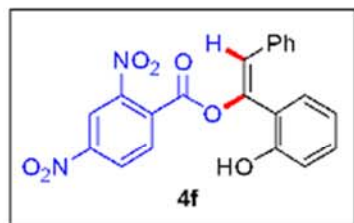


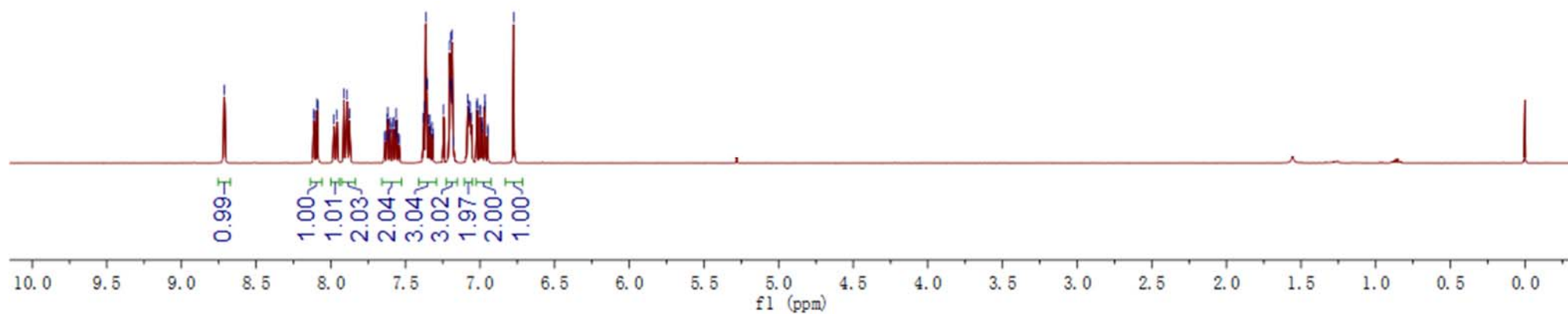
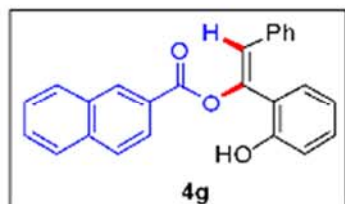




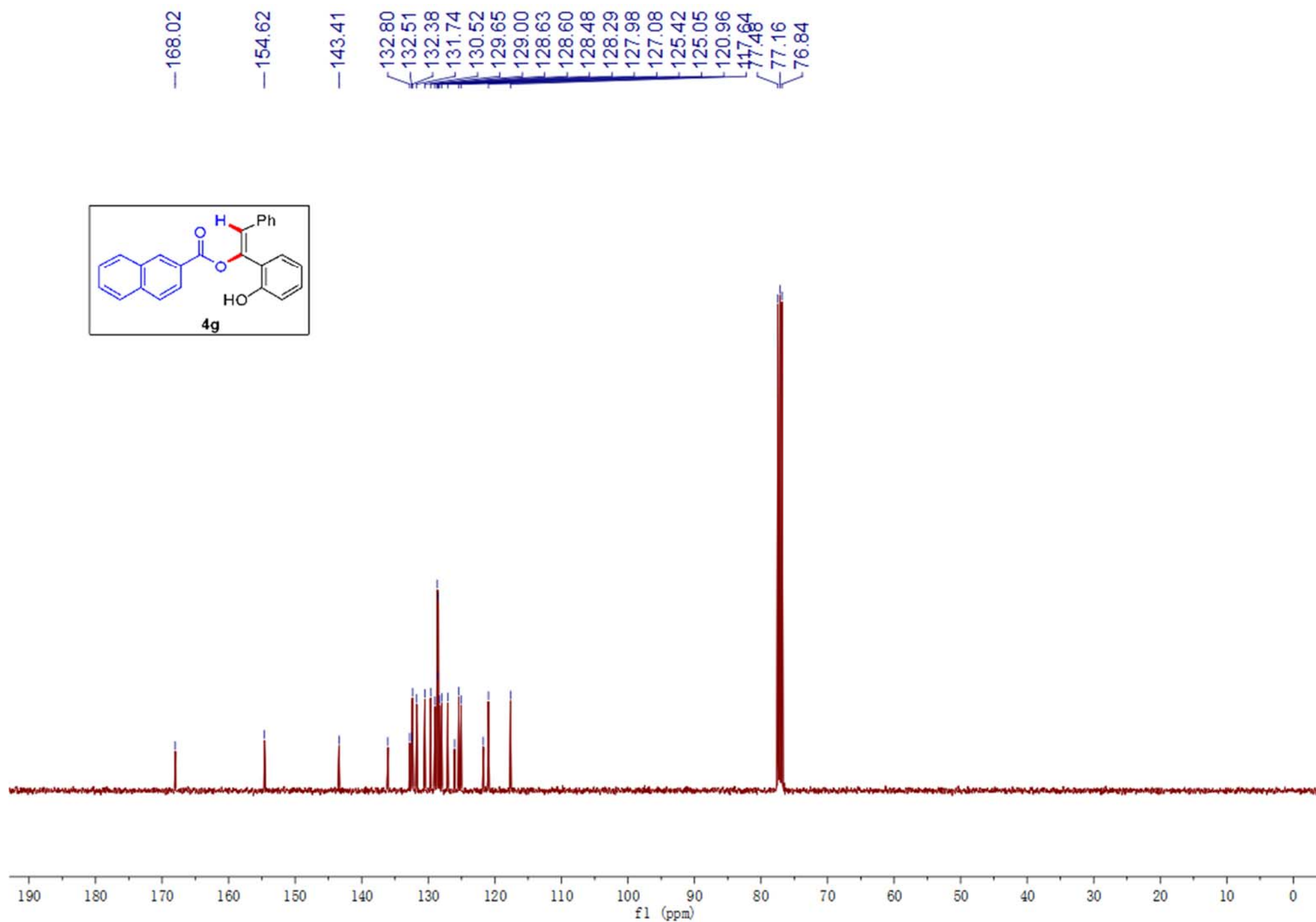
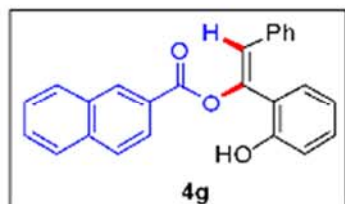




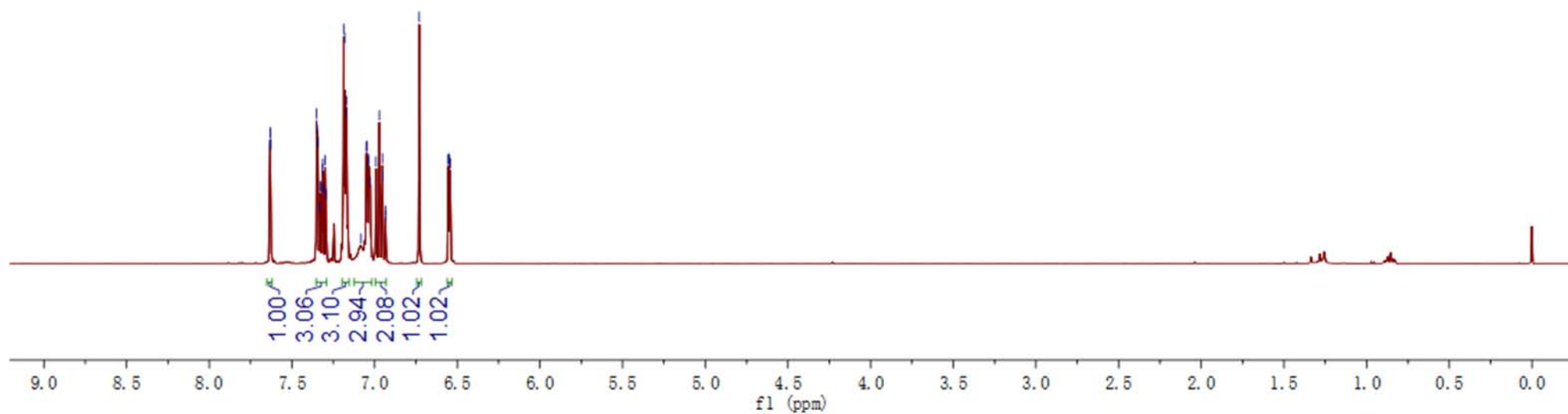
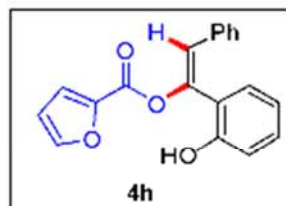


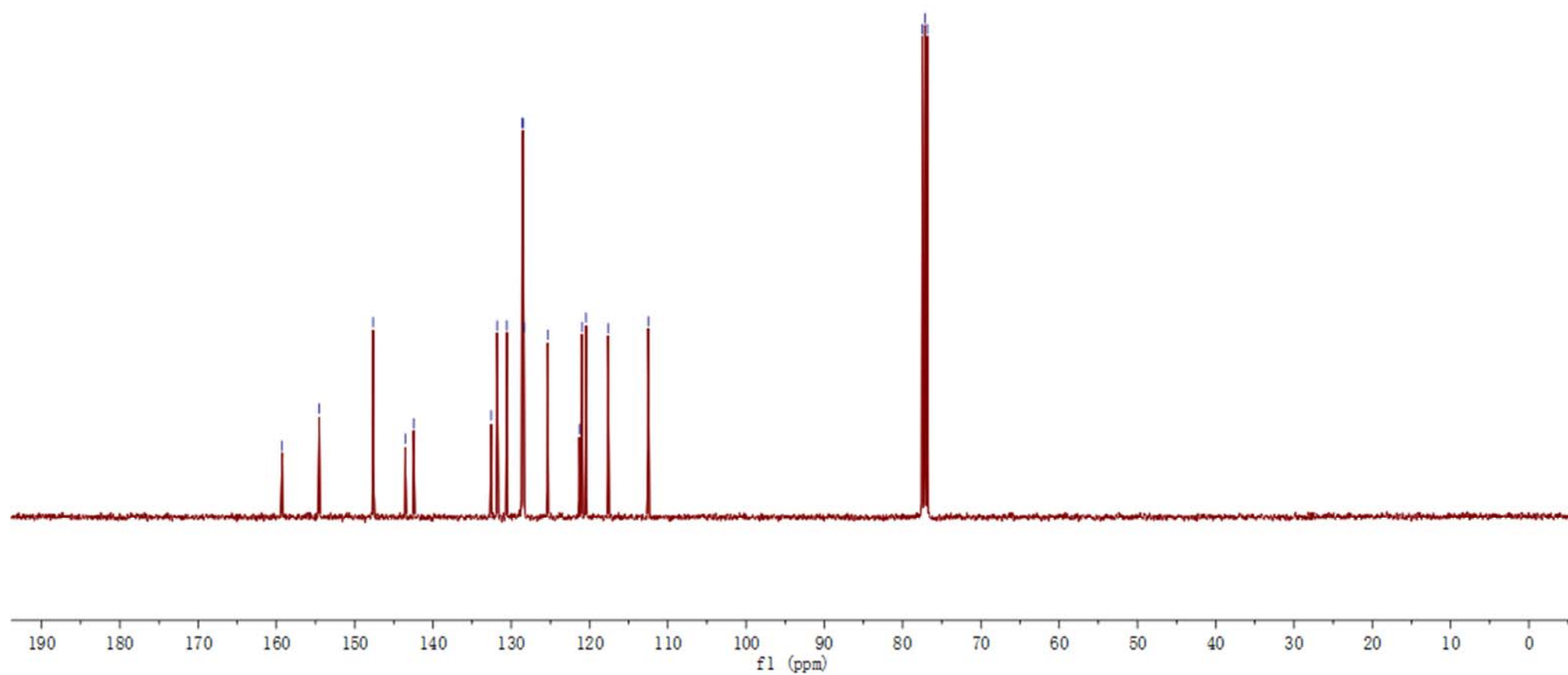
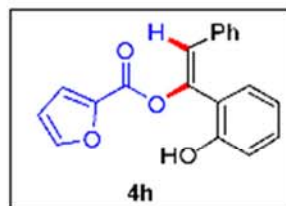


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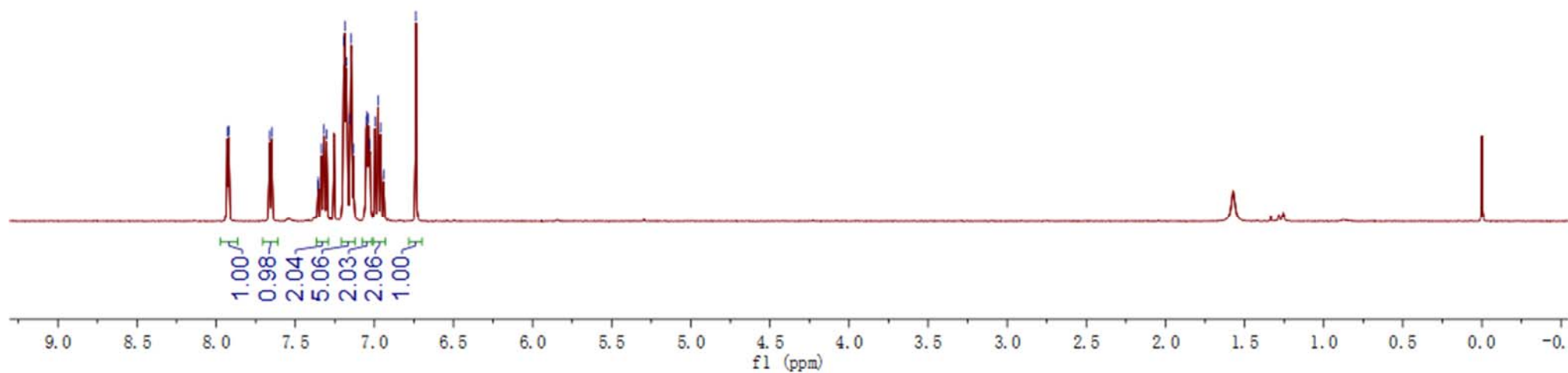
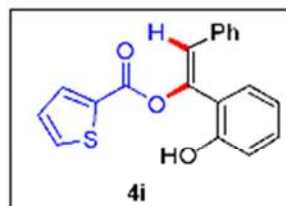


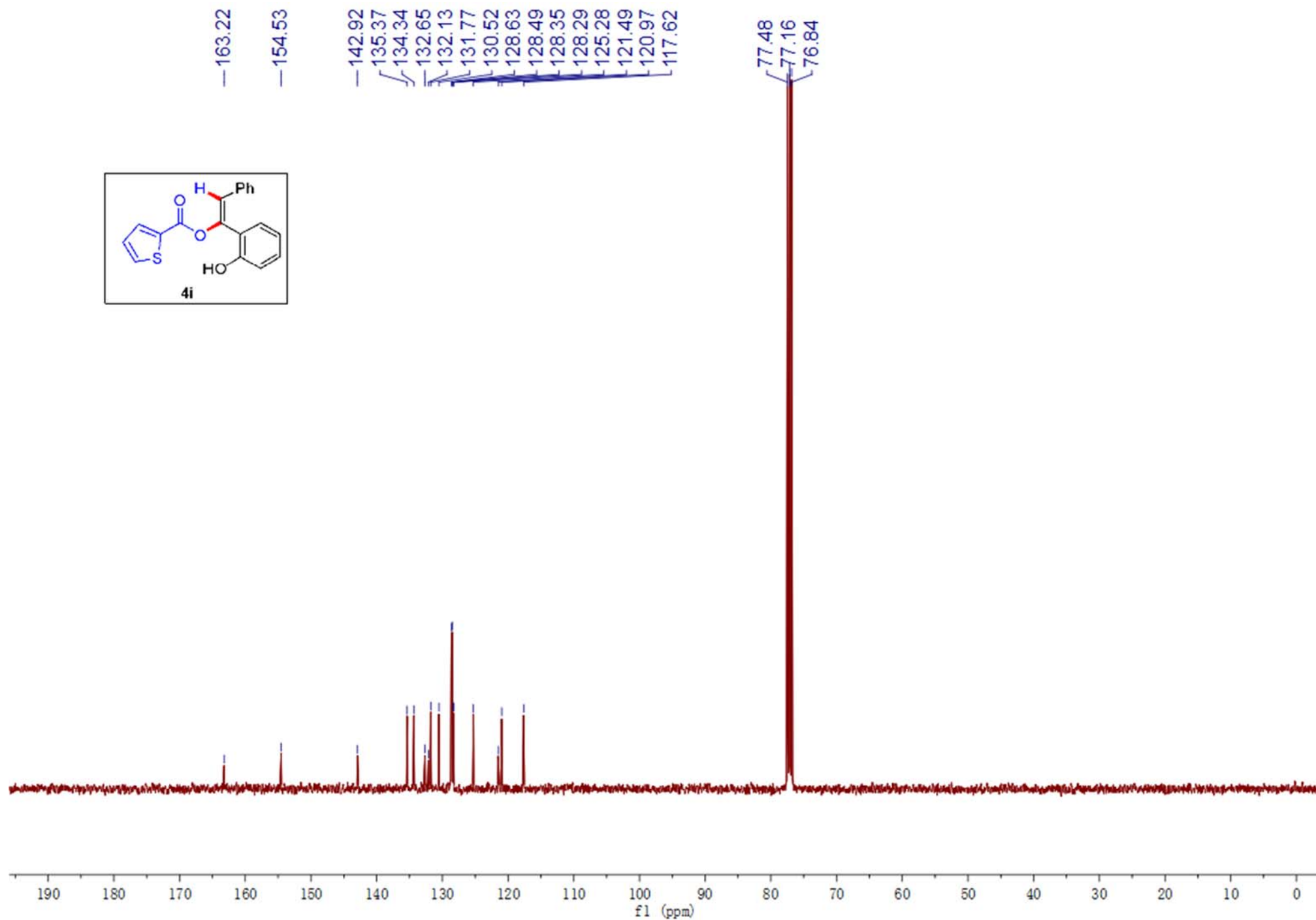
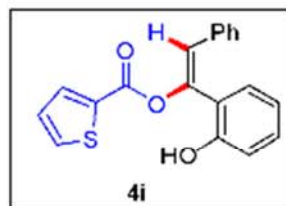
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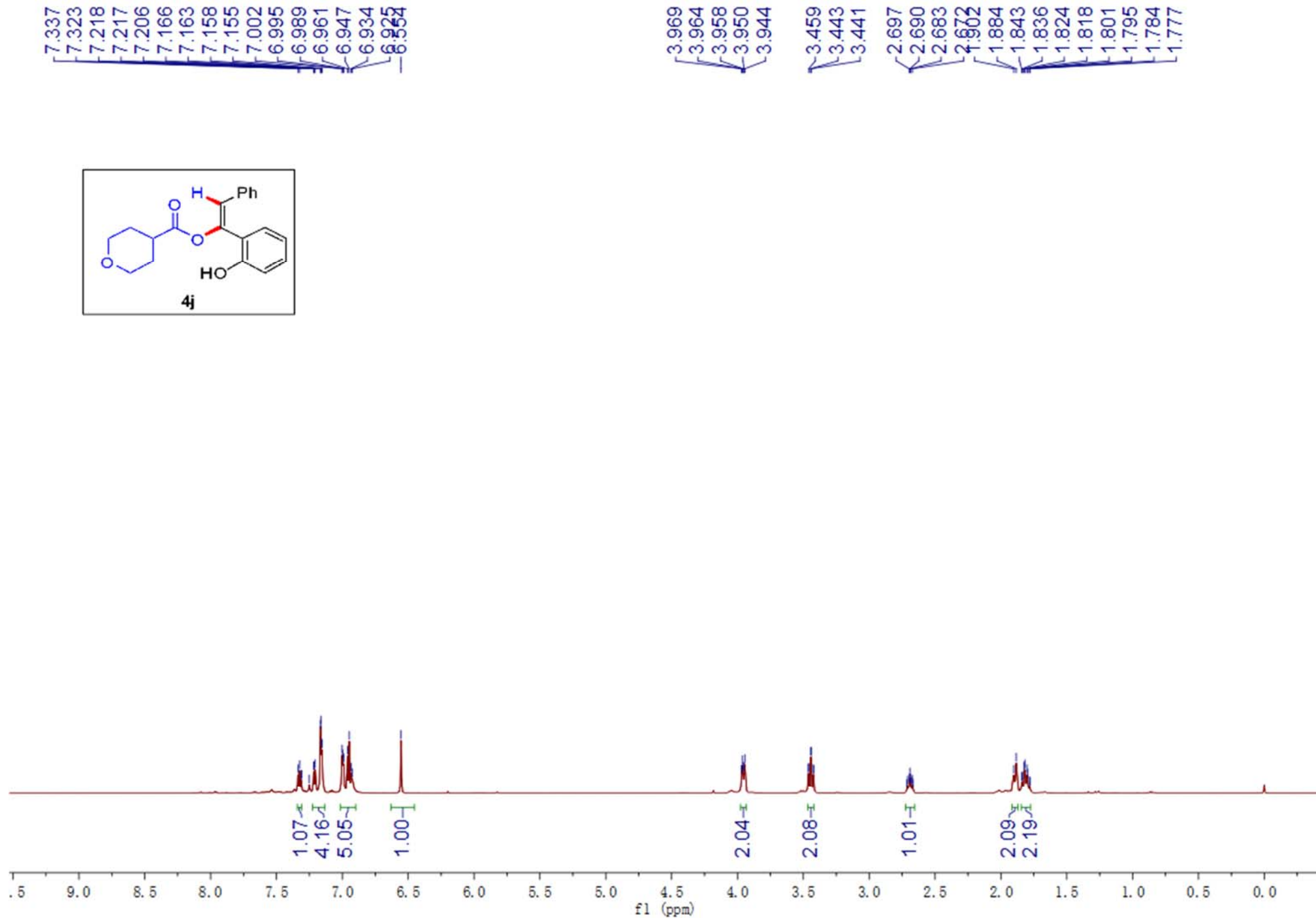


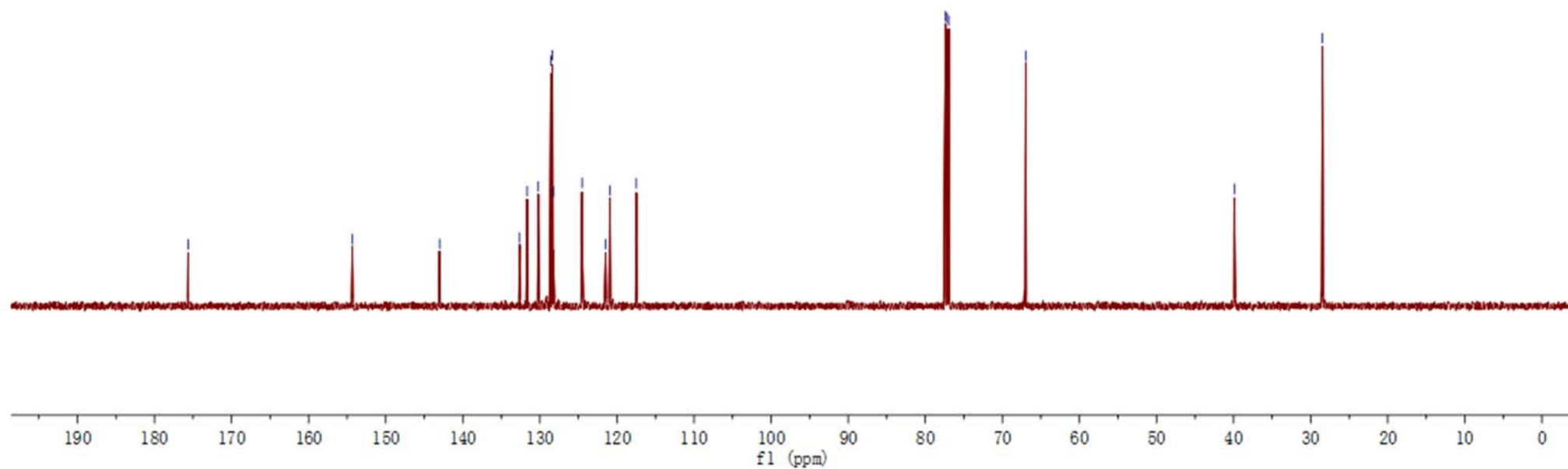
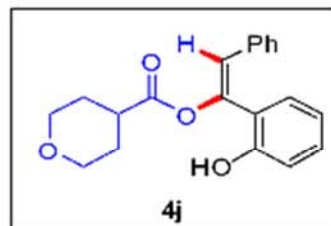


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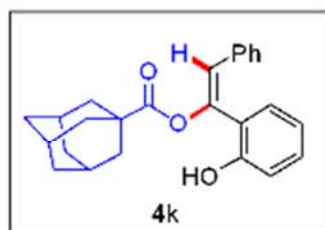
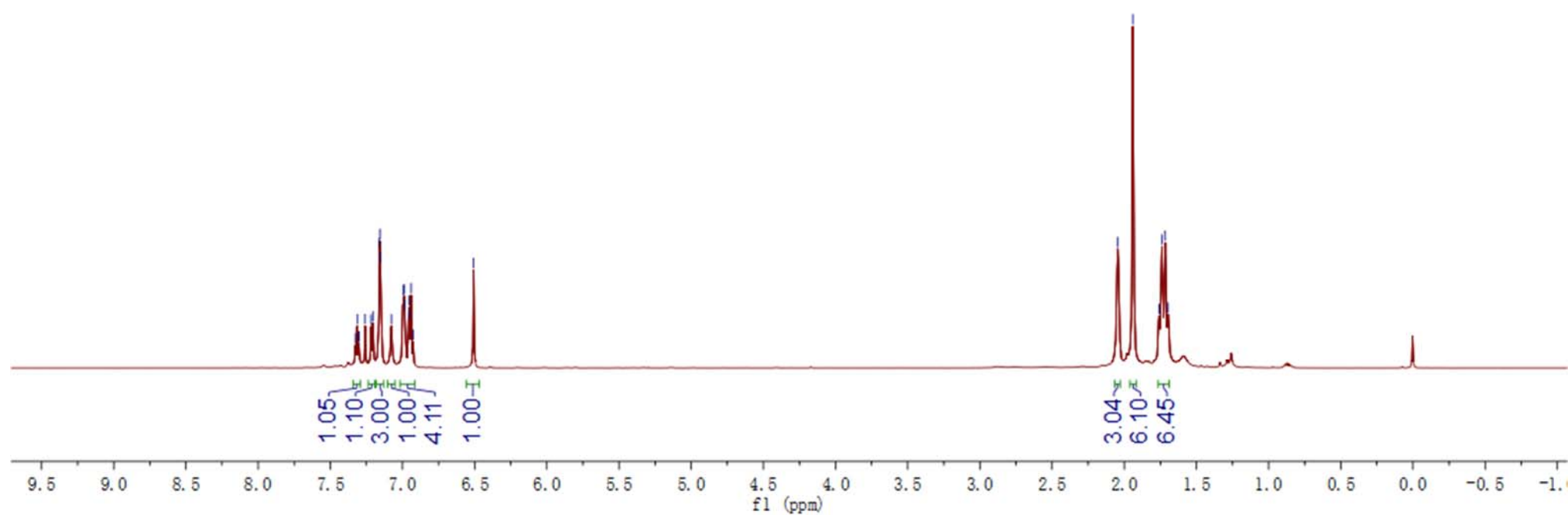
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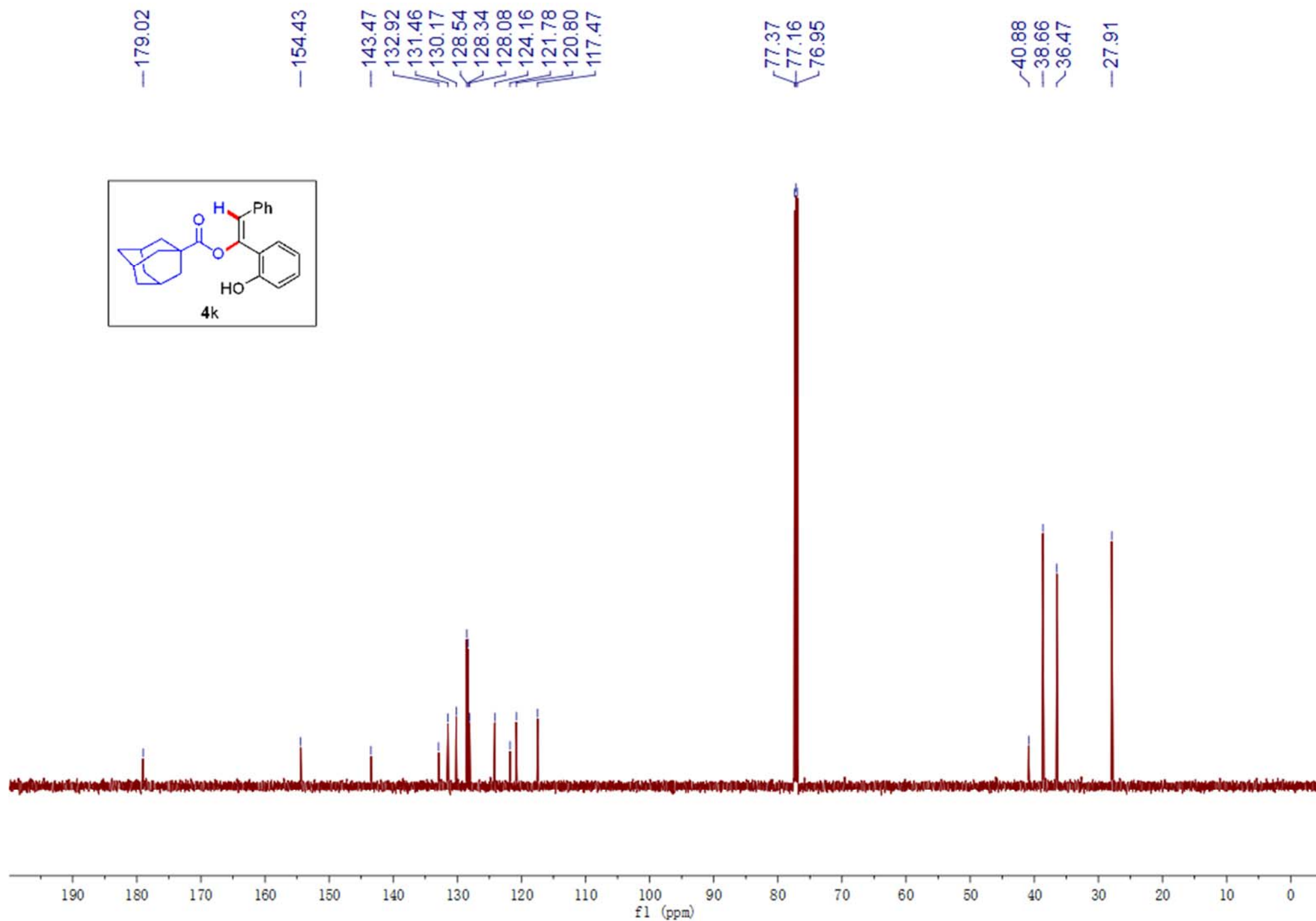
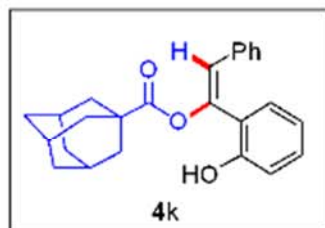
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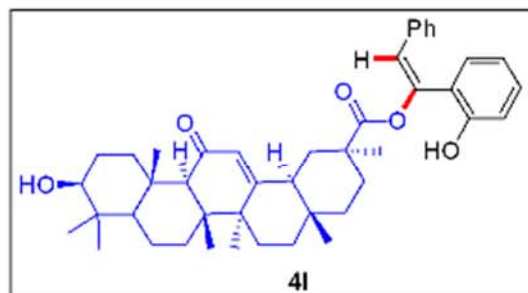
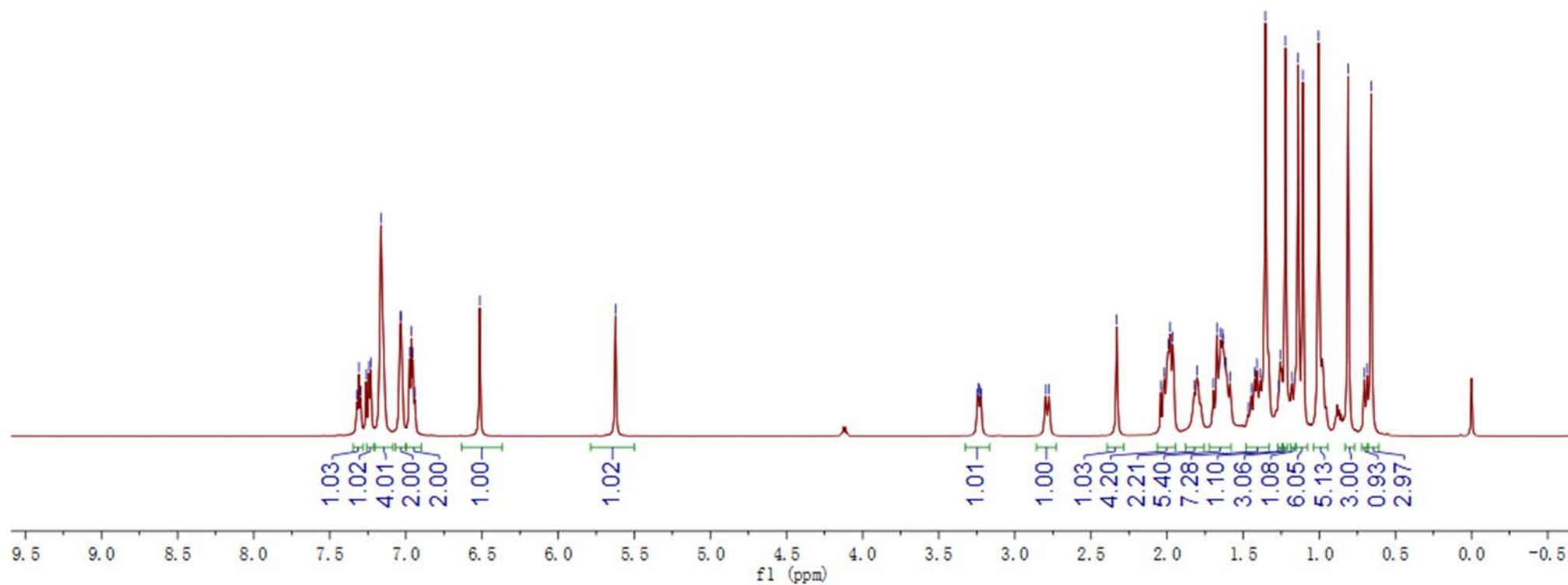
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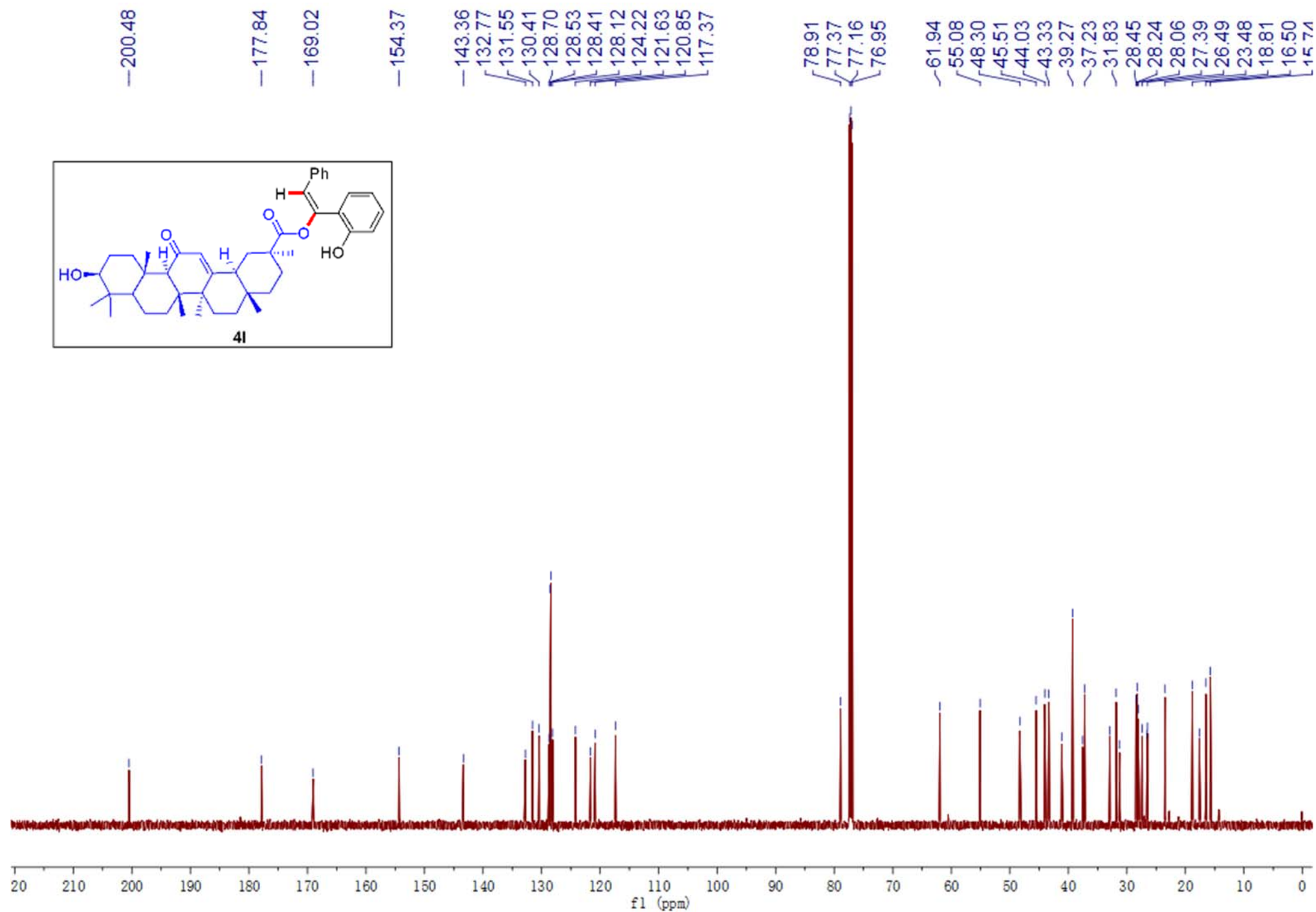


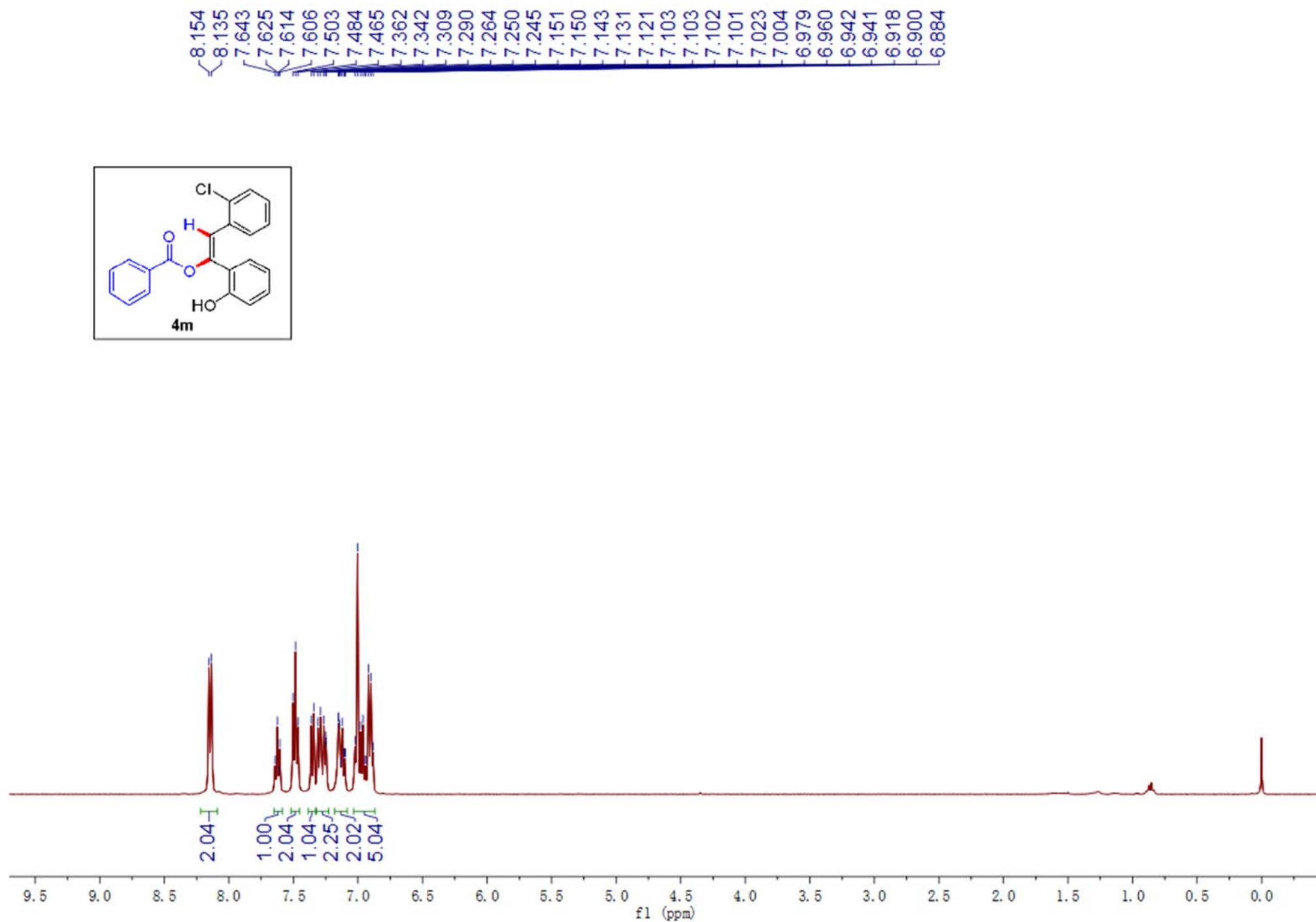
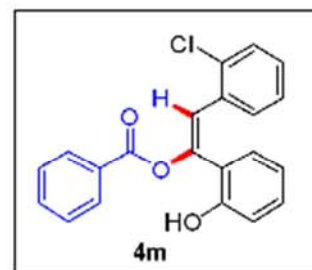
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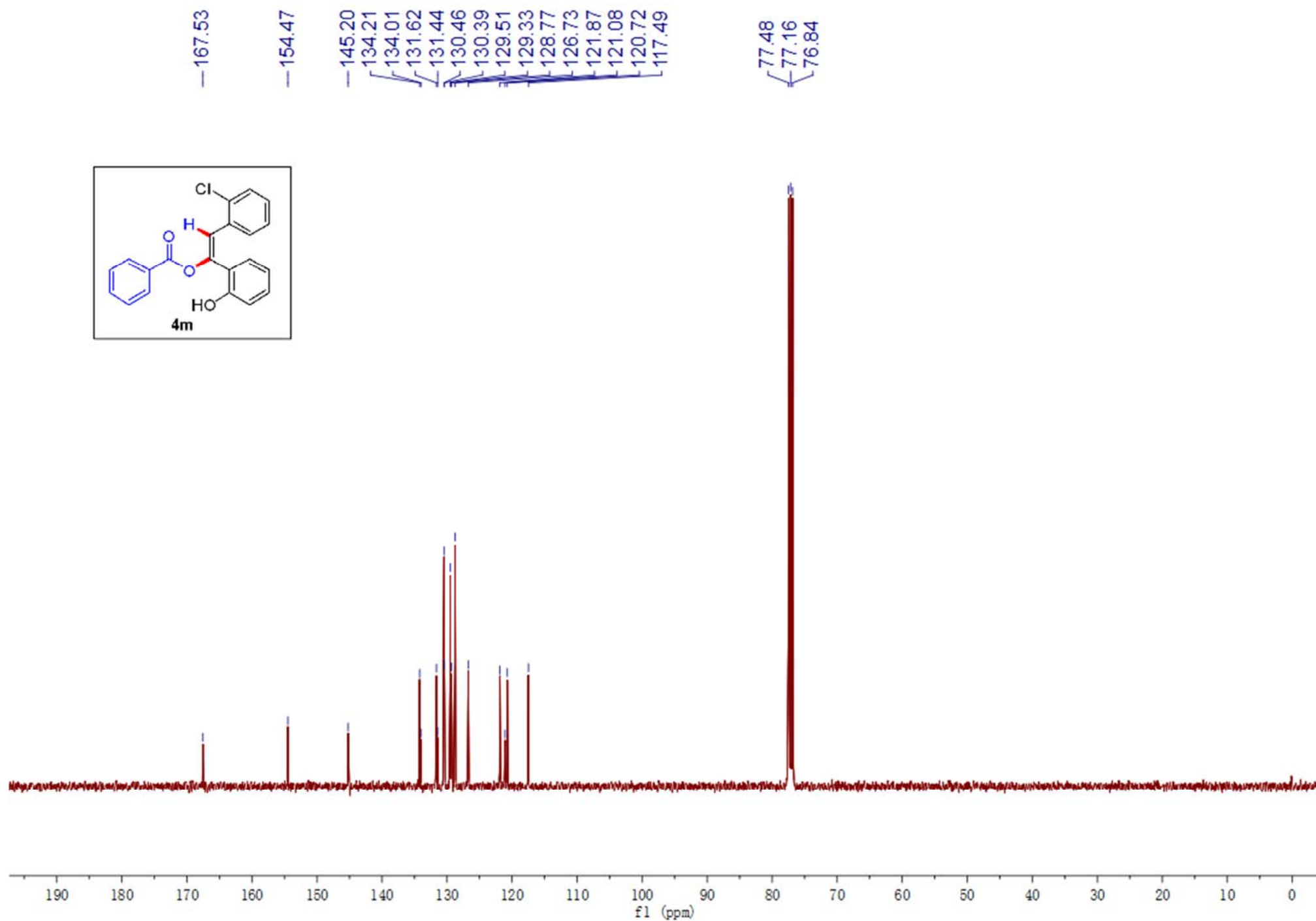
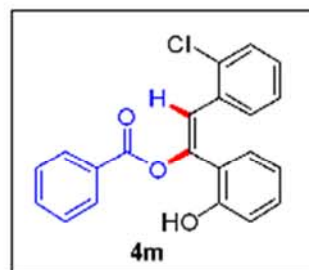
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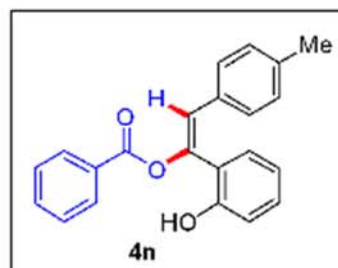
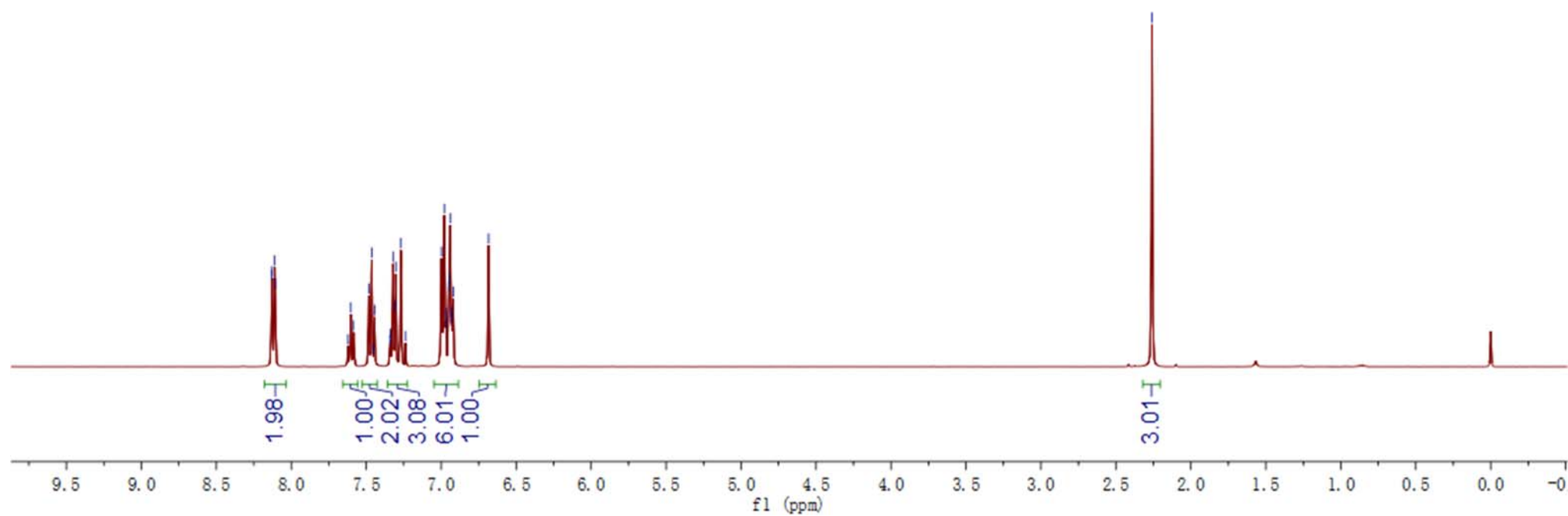
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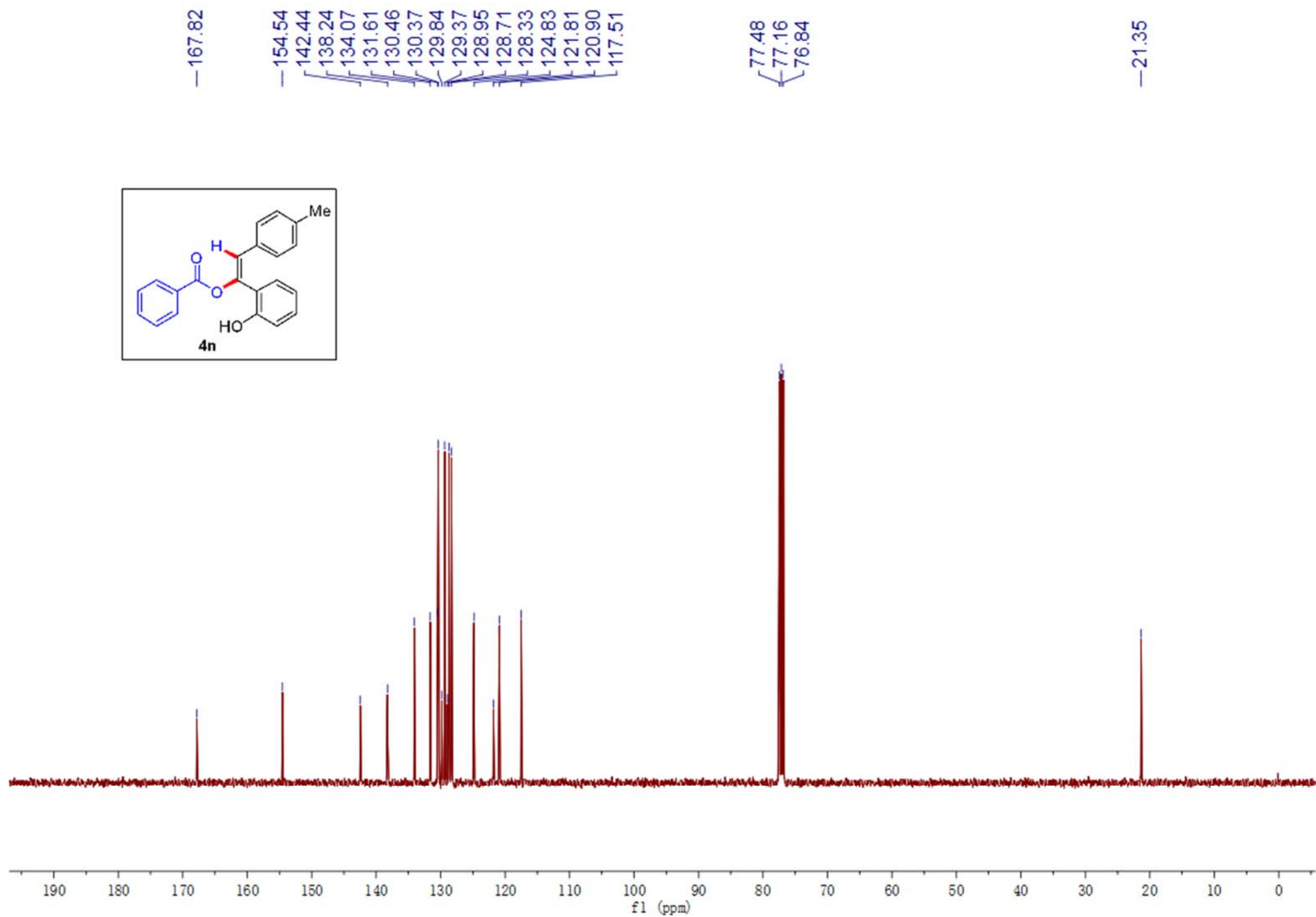




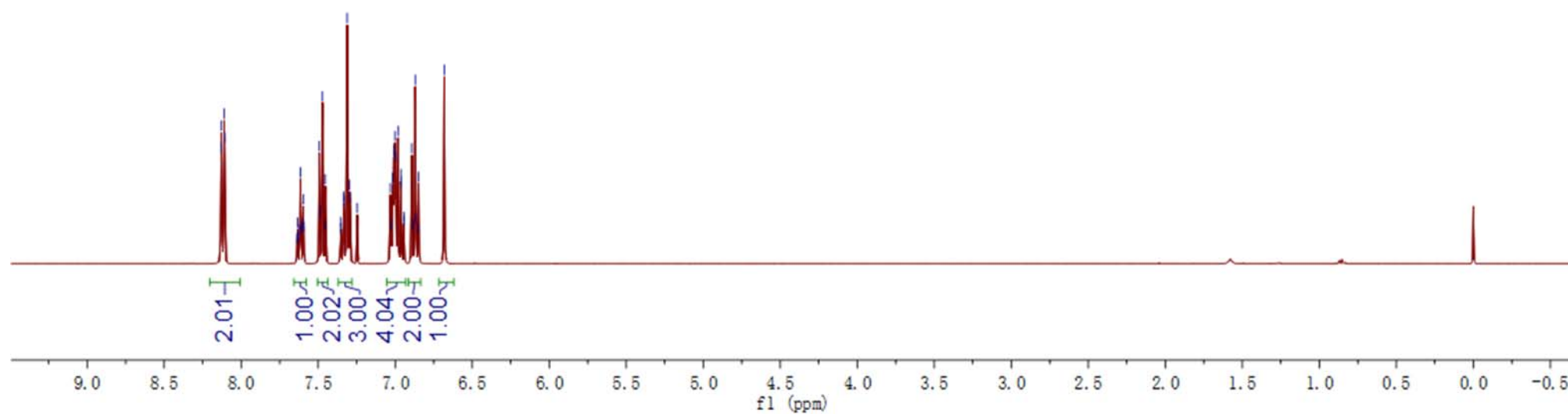
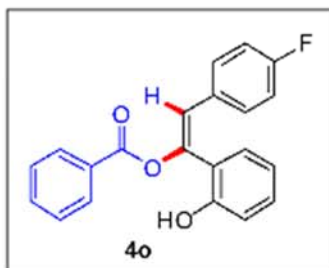


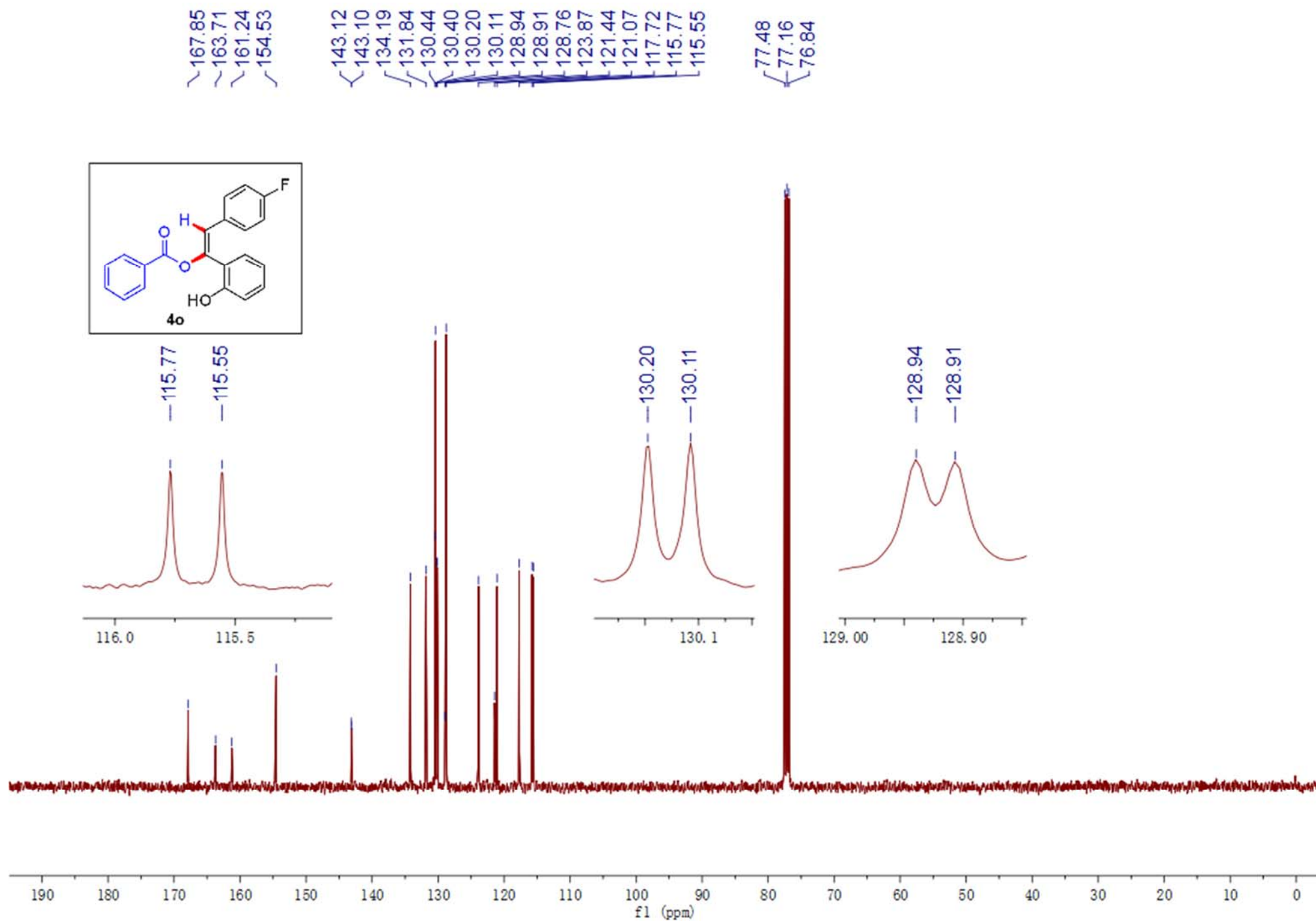


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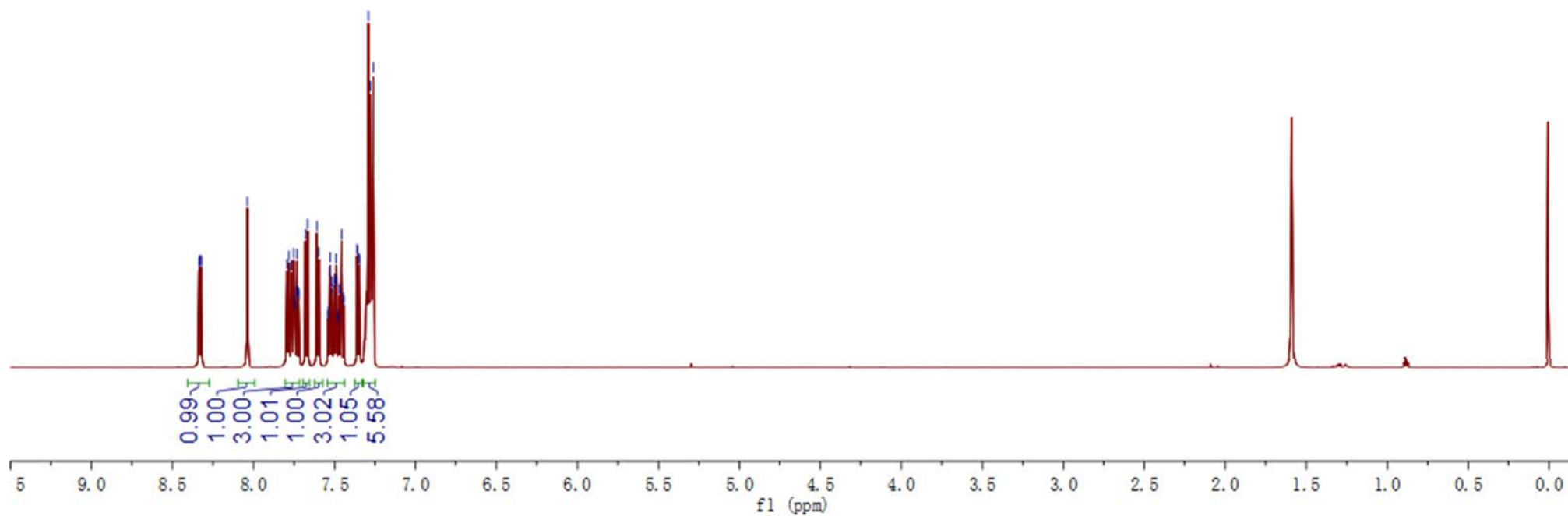
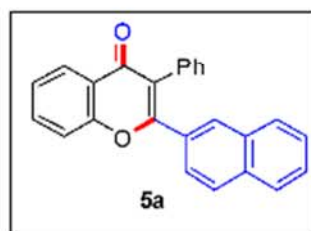


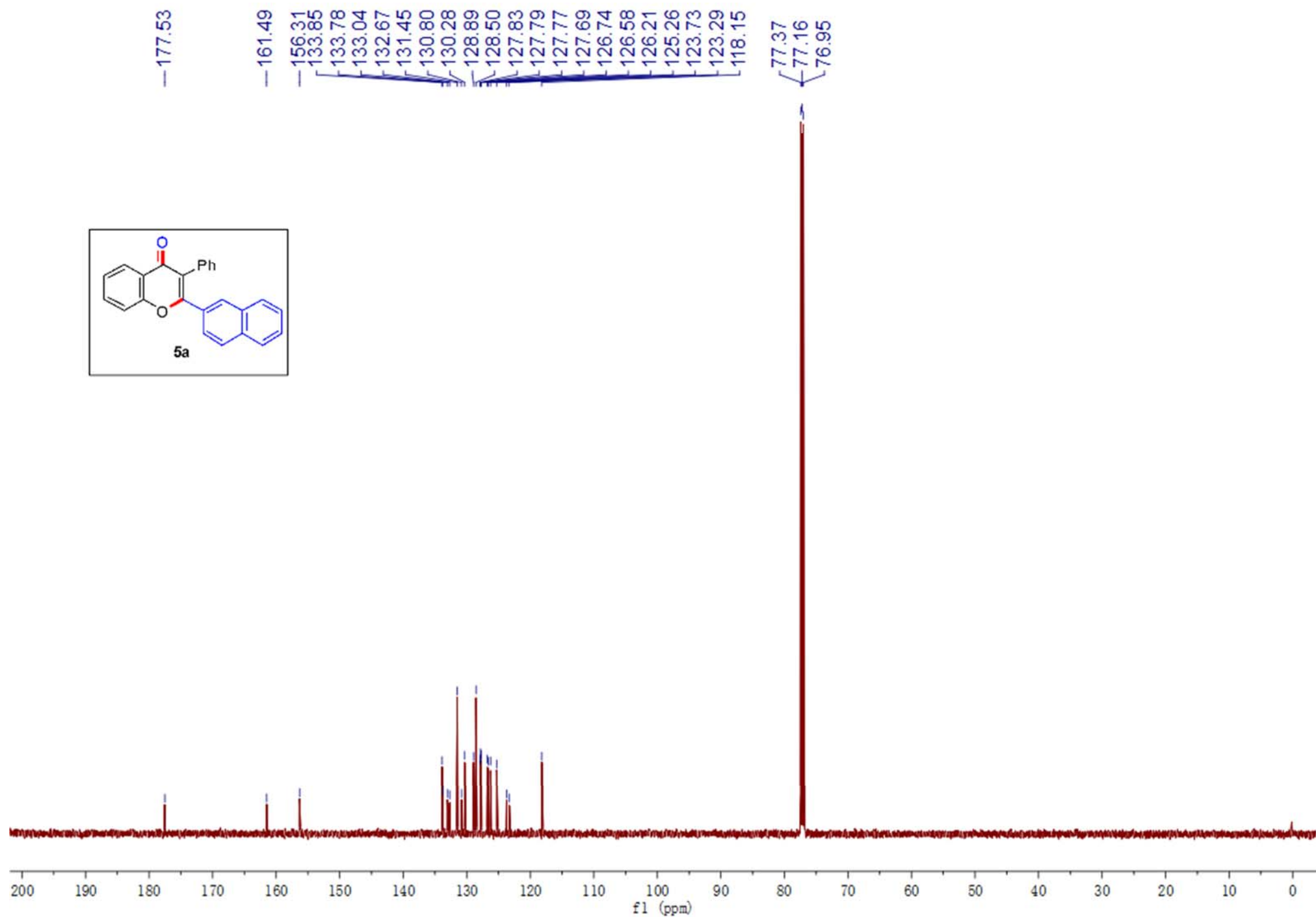
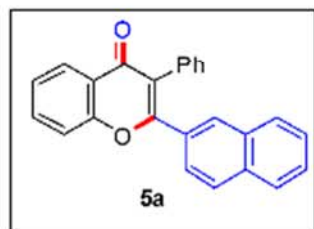
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