

## Supporting Information

# Dual Aminoquinolate Diarylboron and Nickel Catalysed Metallaphotoredox Platform for Carbon–Oxygen Bond Construction

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## 1 General considerations

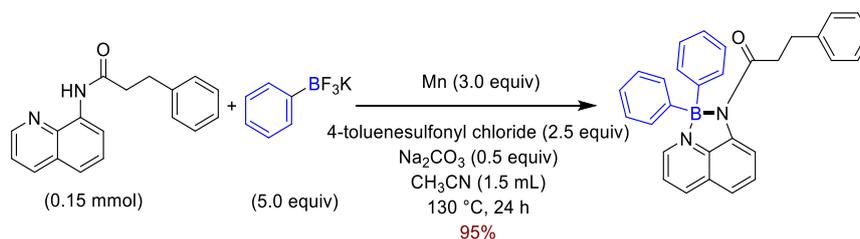
**General.** Unless otherwise noted, all reactions were carried out under an air atmosphere. Analytical thin-layer chromatography (TLC) was performed on glass plates coated with 0.25 mm 230–400 mesh silica gel containing a fluorescent indicator. Visualization was accomplished by exposure to a UV lamp. All the products in this article are compatible with standard silica gel chromatography. Column chromatography was performed on silica gel (200–300 mesh) using standard methods.

**Structural analysis.** NMR spectra were measured on a Bruker Ascend 400 spectrometer and chemical shifts ( $\delta$ ) are reported in parts per million (ppm).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra were recorded at 400 MHz in NMR solvents and referenced internally to corresponding solvent resonance, and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra were recorded at 101 MHz and referenced to corresponding solvent resonance. Coupling constants are reported in Hz with multiplicities denoted as s (singlet), d (doublet), t (triplet), q (quartet), m (multiplet) and br (broad). Infrared spectra were collected on a Thermo Fisher Nicolet 6700 FT-IR spectrometer using ATR (Attenuated Total Reflectance) method. Absorption maxima ( $\nu$  max) are reported in wavenumbers ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ). High resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were acquired on Thermo Scientific LTQ Orbitrap XL with an ESI source.

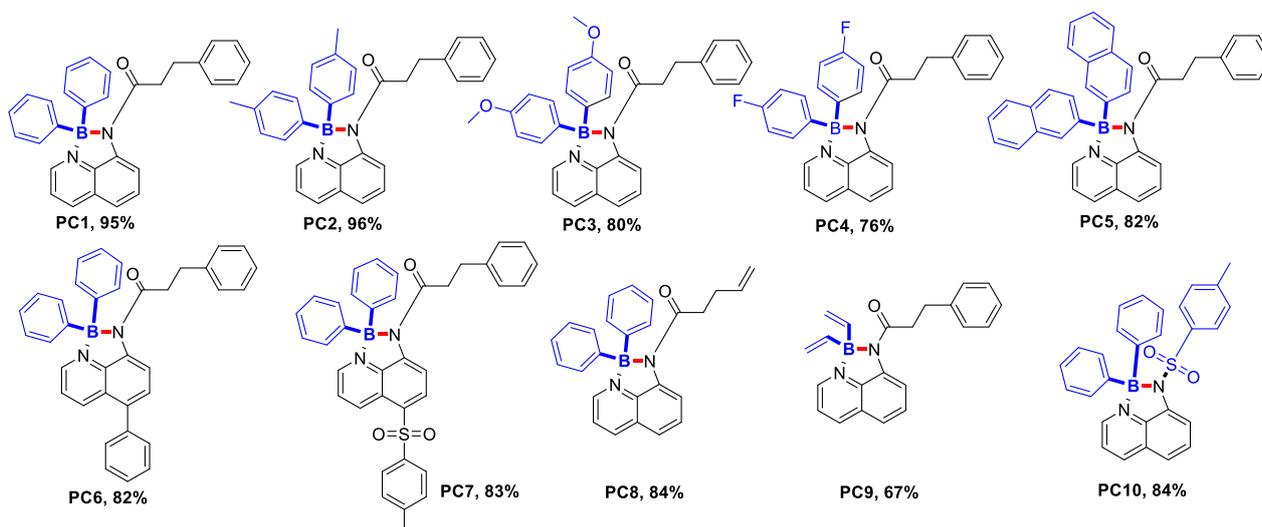
**Materials.** Commercial reagents and solvent were purchased from Adamas, J&K, Energy, Sigma-Aldrich, Alfa Aesar, Acros Organics, TCI and used as received unless otherwise stated.

## 2 Preparation of photocatalysts

### 2.1 General procedure for synthesis of photocatalysts



**General procedure A:** A flame-dried 25 mL pressure column reaction tube was placed with a stirring bar. Then, 8-aminoquinoline derivative (0.15 mmol, 1.0 equiv), aryl or vinyl trifluoroborate (0.75 mmol, 5.0 equiv), Mn (24.7 mg, 0.45 mmol, 3.0 equiv), 4-toluenesulfonyl chloride (71.5 mg, 0.375 mmol, 2.5 equiv), Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (7.9 mg, 0.075 mmol, 0.5 equiv) and CH<sub>3</sub>CN (1.5 mL) were added. The resulting mixture was stirred 130 °C for 24 hours. The reaction mixture was filtered, concentrated and then purified by column chromatography on silica gel to give the target product.



## 2.2 Absorption and emission spectra of Photocatalysts

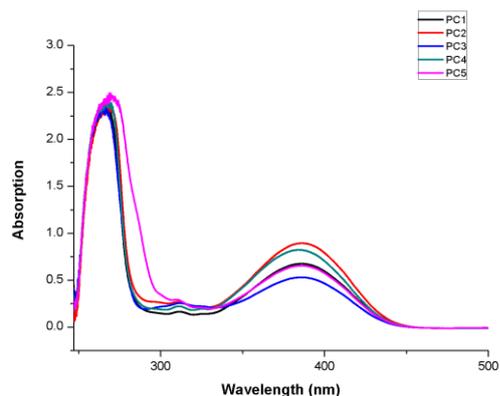


Figure 1a

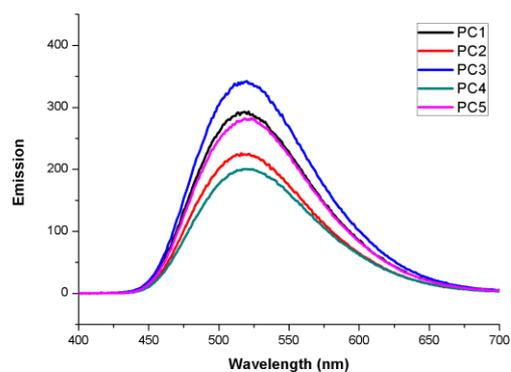


Figure 1b

**Figure 1. a.** UV–visible absorption spectra of PC1 - PC5 in DMSO at a concentration of  $1.7 \times 10^{-4}$  M;

**b.** Fluorescence emission spectra of PC1 - PC5 in DMSO at a concentration of  $5 \times 10^{-4}$  M.

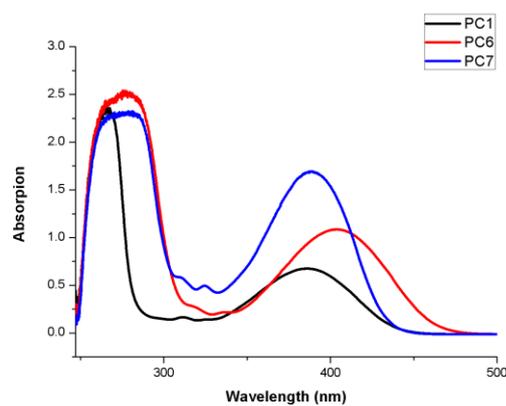


Figure 2a

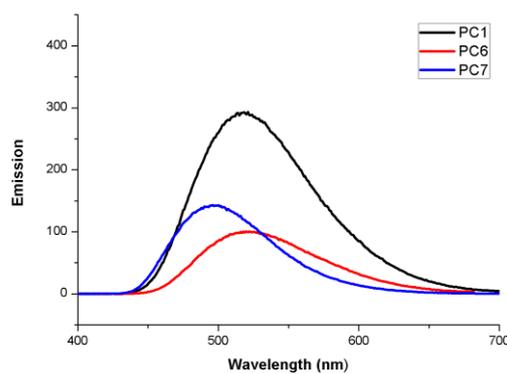


Figure 2b

**Figure 2. a.** UV–visible absorption spectra of PC1, PC6, PC7 in DMSO at a concentration of  $1.7 \times 10^{-4}$  M;

**b.** Fluorescence emission spectra of PC1, PC6, PC7 in DMSO at a concentration of  $5 \times 10^{-4}$  M.

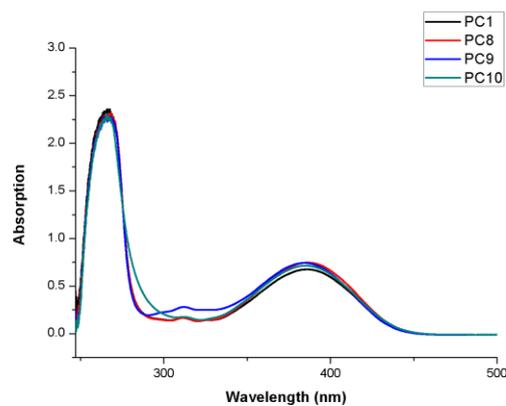


Figure 3a

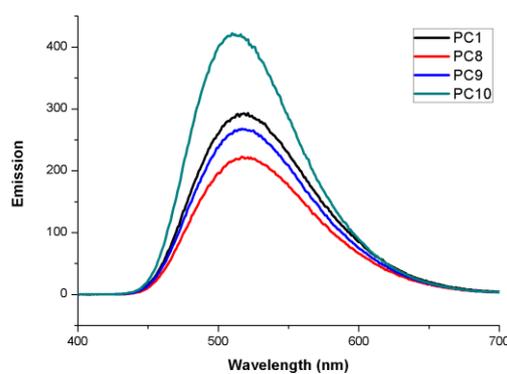
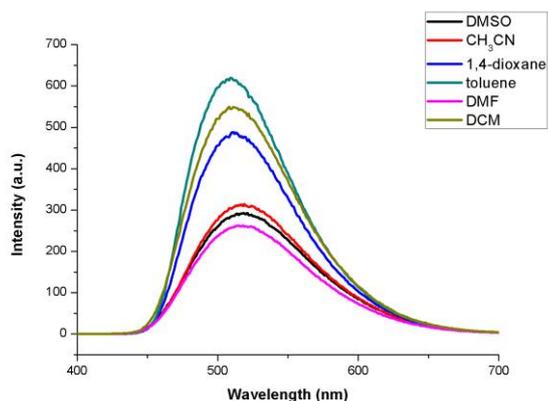


Figure 3b

**Figure 3. a.** UV–visible absorption spectra of PC1, PC8, PC9, PC10 in DMSO at a concentration of  $1.7 \times 10^{-4}$  M;

**b.** Fluorescence emission spectra of PC1, PC8, PC9, PC10 in DMSO at a concentration of  $5 \times 10^{-4}$  M.



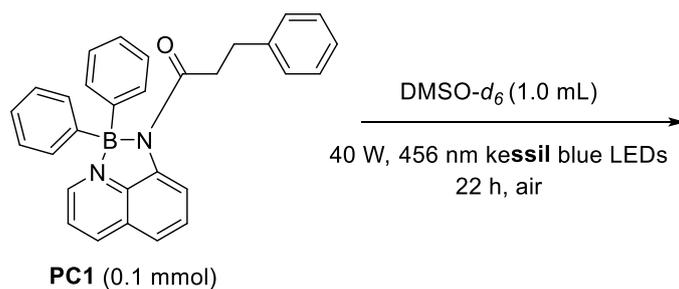
**Figure 4.** The fluorescence emission spectra of PC1 in DMSO, CH<sub>3</sub>CN, 1,4-dioxane, toluene, DMF, DCM at a concentration of  $5 \times 10^{-4}$  M.

**Table S1. Summary of the measured photophysical properties of photocatalysts**

Entry	$\lambda_{\text{abs}}$ (nm)	$\lambda_{\text{em}}$ (nm) <sup>a</sup>	Quantum yield (%) <sup>b</sup>	Life time (ns) <sup>b</sup>
PC1	386	520	52.72	17.43
PC2	386	513	55.24	17.77
PC3	387	520	53.52	17.51
PC4	384	519	47.34	16.36
PC5	386	518	53.97	17.02
PC6	404	540	40.26	12.07
PC7	389	496	85.96	12.96
PC8	388	517	51.07	17.11
PC9	384	517	54.97	17.97
PC10	385	510	67.03	24.00

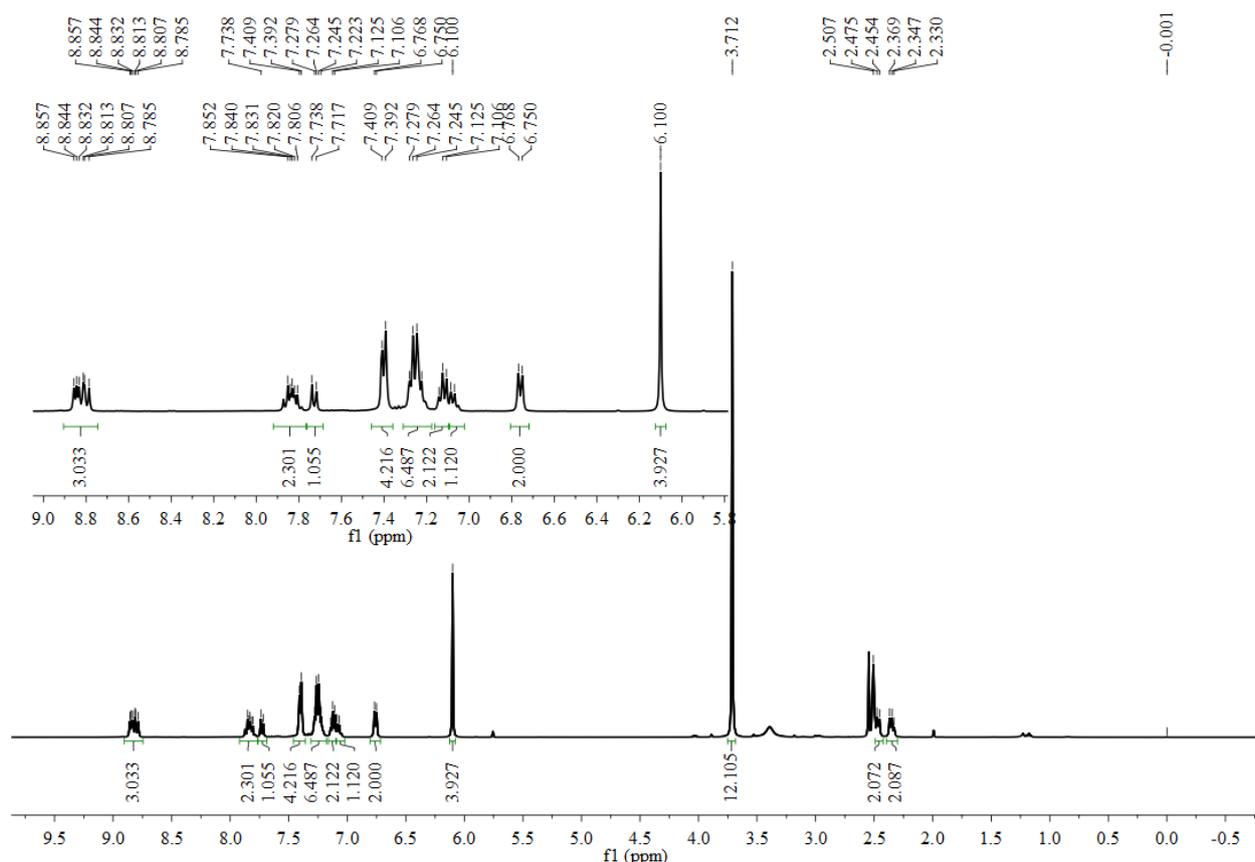
a. Excited at the longest absorption maximum wavelengths. b. The quantum yield and life time of PC in DMSO at a concentration of  $5 \times 10^{-4}$  M.

### 2.3 The test of photocatalyst stability

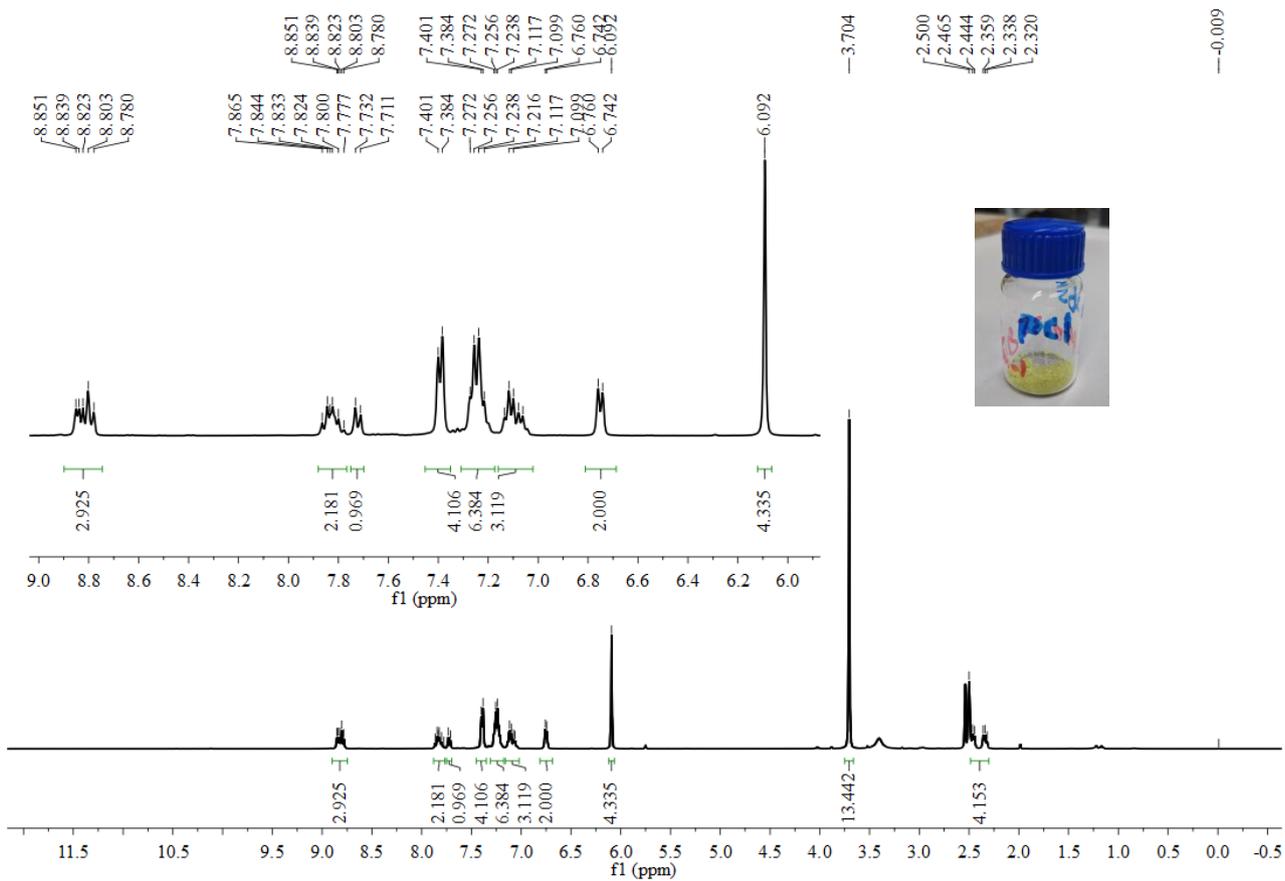


A flame-dried 25 mL quartz column reaction tube was placed with a magnetic stir bar. Then, **PC1**, and DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub> (1.0 mL) were added. The reaction mixture was irradiated and stirred with two 40 W 456 nm Kessil blue LEDs. The reaction tube was placed at approximately 2 cm away from the light source (**Figure 6b**). A fan was used to cool down the tube during the irradiation. After stirring for 22 hours, 1,3,5-trimethoxybenzene was added to the reaction tube. Then, the DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub> solution was transferred to an NMR tube and then characterized by <sup>1</sup>H NMR (**Figure 5a**), no obvious decomposition could be observed.

In addition, the photocatalyst was bench-stable and can be stored in the fume hood without further precaution at room temperature. **Figure 5b** showed the <sup>1</sup>H NMR characterization of **PC1** after one month's storage. Also, no obvious decomposition could be observed.

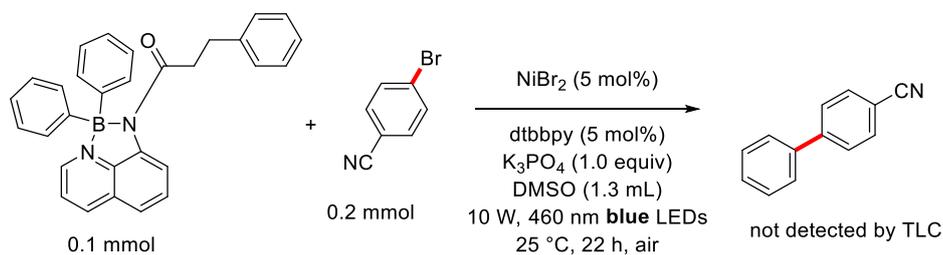


**Figure 5a.** The <sup>1</sup>H NMR characterization after 22 hours' irradiation



**Figure 5b.** The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR characterization of PC1 after one month's storage in the fume hood.

## 2.4 Test on the possibility of photocatalyst to participate in Suzuki-Miyaura cross-coupling as boronyl nucleophile

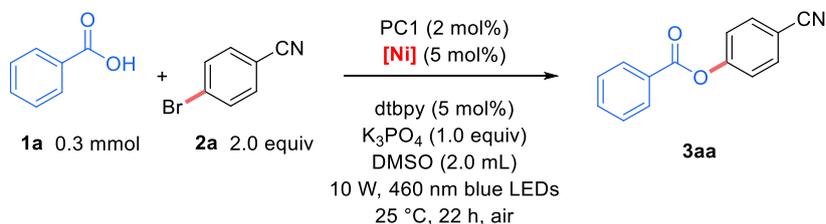


A flame-dried 25 mL quartz column reaction tube was placed with a magnetic stir bar. Then, **PC1** (44.0 mg, 0.1 mmol), 4-bromobenzonitrile (0.2 mmol), NiBr<sub>2</sub> (0.005 mmol), dtbbpy (0.005 mmol), K<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> (0.1 mmol), and DMSO (1.3 mL) were added. The reaction tube was placed on a photocatalytic parallel reactor with a 460 nm blue LEDs light source (10 W) at the bottom (**Figure 6a**). Then the reaction mixture was irradiated with the 460 nm blue LEDs (at approximately 0.3 cm away from the light source). After stirring for 22 hours at 25 °C, the assumed product of Suzuki-Miyaura reaction, [1,1'-biphenyl]-4-carbonitrile, was not detected by TLC, when compared to a standard sample.

### 3 Optimization of reaction conditions for synthesis of esters

#### 3.1 Optimization tables for synthesis of ester

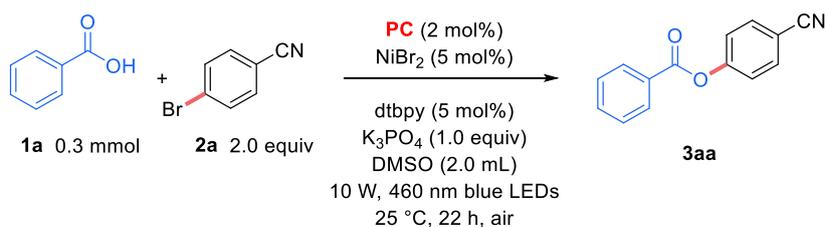
**Table S2. The screening of nickel source<sup>[a]</sup>**



Entry	[Ni] source	Yield (%) <sup>[a]</sup>
1	NiBr <sub>2</sub> •DME	30
2	NiI <sub>2</sub>	N. D.
3	NiCl <sub>2</sub>	4
<b>4</b>	<b>NiBr<sub>2</sub></b>	<b>83</b>
5	NiCl <sub>2</sub> •DME	84
6	Ni(OAc) <sub>2</sub> •4H <sub>2</sub> O	72
7	NiBr <sub>2</sub> •3H <sub>2</sub> O	71
8	Ni(acac) <sub>2</sub>	40
9	NiCl <sub>2</sub> (PCy <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	60
10	NiCl <sub>2</sub> (PPh <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	79

Reaction conditions: **1a** (0.3 mmol, 1.0 equiv), **2a** (0.6 mmol, 2.0 equiv), **PC1** (0.006 mmol, 2 mol%), **Ni source** (0.015 mmol, 5 mol%), dtbpy (4,4'-di-tert-butyl-2,2'-dipyridyl, 0.015 mmol, 5 mol%), K<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> (0.3 mmol, 1.0 equiv), DMSO (2.0 mL), 10 W 460 nm blue LEDs, 25 °C, air, 22 h. <sup>[a]</sup> Isolated yield. N. D. = not detected.

**Table S3. The screening of photocatalysts<sup>[a]</sup>**

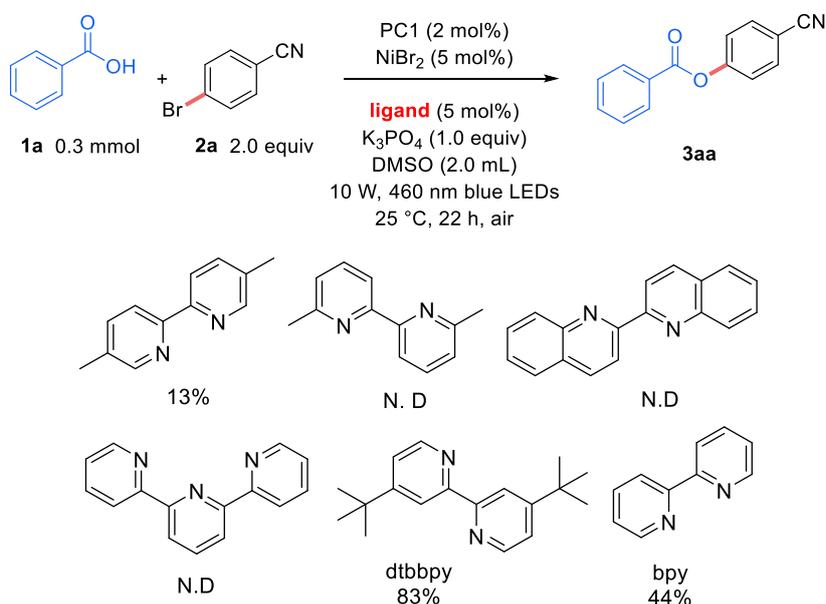


Entry	photocatalyst	Yield (%) <sup>[a]</sup>
<b>1</b>	<b>PC1</b>	<b>83</b>
2	PC2	55
3	PC3	50
<b>4</b>	PC4	72
5	PC5	57
6	PC6	62
7	PC7	45
8	PC8	73
9	PC9	51
10	PC10	71

Reaction conditions: **1a** (0.3 mmol, 1.0 equiv), **2a** (0.6 mmol, 2.0 equiv), **PC** (0.006 mmol, 2 mol%), NiBr<sub>2</sub> (0.015 mmol,

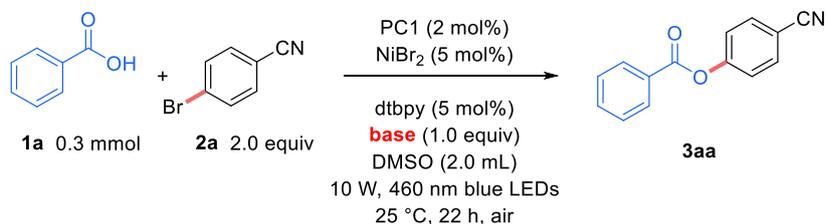
5 mol%), dtbpy (0.015 mmol, 5 mol%), K<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> (0.3 mmol, 1.0 equiv), DMSO (2.0 mL), 10 W 460 nm blue LEDs, 25 °C, air, 22 h. <sup>[a]</sup> Isolated yield. N. D. = not detected.

**Table S4. The screening of ligands<sup>[a]</sup>**



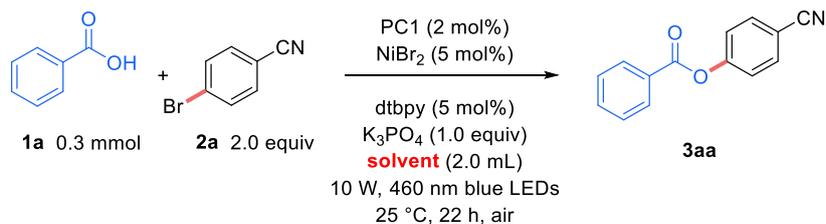
Reaction conditions: 1a (0.3 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 2a (0.6 mmol, 2.0 equiv), **PC1** (0.006 mmol, 2 mol%), NiBr<sub>2</sub> (0.015 mmol, 5 mol%), **ligand** (0.015 mmol, 5 mol%), K<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> (0.3 mmol, 1.0 equiv), DMSO (2.0 mL), 10 W 460 nm blue LEDs, 25 °C, air, 22 h. <sup>[a]</sup> Isolated yield. N. D. = not detected.

**Table S5. The screening of bases<sup>[a]</sup>**



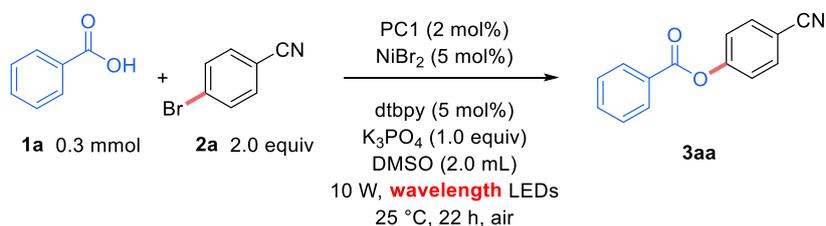
Entry	base	Yield (%) <sup>[a]</sup>
1	<i>t</i> -BuONa	51
2	MeONa	7
3	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	53
4	K <sub>2</sub> HPO <sub>4</sub>	39
5	<b>K<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub></b>	<b>83</b>
6	Triethylamine	13
7	DIPEA	33
8	Pyridine	trace
9	Diisopropylamine	26

Reaction conditions: 1a (0.3 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 2a (0.6 mmol, 2.0 equiv), **PC1** (0.006 mmol, 2 mol%), NiBr<sub>2</sub> (0.015 mmol, 5 mol%), dtbpy (0.015 mmol, 5 mol%), **base** (0.3 mmol, 1.0 equiv), DMSO (2.0 mL), 10 W 460 nm blue LEDs, 25 °C, air, 22 h. <sup>[a]</sup> Isolated yield. N. D. = not detected, DIPEA = *N,N*-diisopropylethylamine.

**Table S6. The screening of solvents<sup>[a]</sup>**

Entry	solvent	Yield (%) <sup>[a]</sup>
1	DMF	42
2	DMA	11
3	<b>DMSO</b>	<b>83</b>
4	CH <sub>3</sub> CN	5
5	1,4-dioxane	trace
6	THF	18
7	DCM	trace
8	toluene	N. D.
9	isopropanol	N. D.

Reaction conditions: 1a (0.3 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 2a (0.6 mmol, 2.0 equiv), **PC1** (0.006 mmol, 2 mol%), NiBr<sub>2</sub> (0.015 mmol, 5 mol%), dtbpy (0.015 mmol, 5 mol%), K<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> (0.3 mmol, 1.0 equiv), **solvent** (2.0 mL), 10 W 460 nm blue LEDs, 25 °C, air, 22 h. <sup>[a]</sup> Isolated yield. N. D. = not detected.

**Table S7. The screening of wavelengths<sup>[a]</sup>**

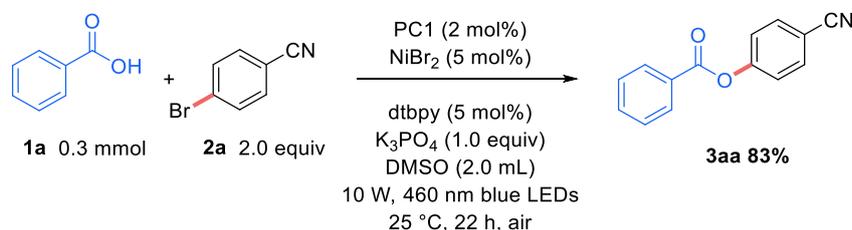
Entry	Wavelength (nm)	Yield (%) <sup>[a]</sup>
1	445	32
2	455	59
3	<b>460</b>	<b>83</b>
4	470	N. D.
5	white light	N. D.

Reaction conditions: 1a (0.3 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 2a (0.6 mmol, 2.0 equiv), **PC1** (0.006 mmol, 2 mol%), NiBr<sub>2</sub> (0.015 mmol, 5 mol%), dtbpy (0.015 mmol, 5 mol%), K<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> (0.3 mmol, 1.0 equiv), DMSO (2.0 mL), 10 W, LEDs, 25 °C, air, 22 h. <sup>[a]</sup> Isolated yield. N. D. = not detected.

## 4 General procedure for the synthesis of esters

### 4.1 Control experiments for the used reaction conditions in ester synthesis

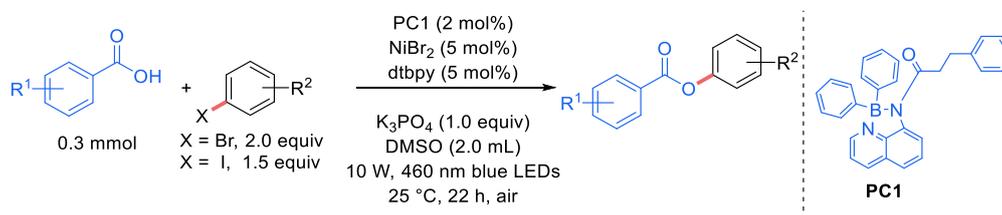
**Table S8. The control experiments for the ester synthesis<sup>[a]</sup>**



Entry	Variations from the 'standard' conditions	Yield (%) <sup>[a]</sup>
1	no <b>PC1</b>	N. D.
2	no NiBr <sub>2</sub>	N. D.
3	no dtbpy	trace
4	no light	N. D.
5	no K <sub>3</sub> PO <sub>4</sub>	N. D.

Standard reaction conditions: 1a (0.3 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 2a (0.6 mmol, 2.0 equiv), **PC1** (0.006 mmol, 2 mol%), NiBr<sub>2</sub> (0.015 mmol, 5 mol%), dtbpy (0.015 mmol, 5 mol%), K<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> (0.3 mmol, 1.0 equiv), DMSO (2.0 mL), 10 W 460 nm blue LEDs, 25 °C, air, 22 h. <sup>[a]</sup> Isolated yield. N. D. = not detected.

### 4.2 General Procedure for the synthesis of esters



**General Procedure B1:** A flame-dried 25 mL quartz column reaction tube was placed with a magnetic stir bar. Then, aryl carboxylic acid (0.3 mmol, 1.0 equiv), aryl bromide (0.6 mmol, 2.0 equiv) / aryl iodide (0.45 mmol, 1.5 equiv), **PC1** (2.6 mg, 0.006 mmol, 2 mol%), NiBr<sub>2</sub> (3.3 mg, 0.015 mmol, 5 mol%), dtbpy (4.0 mg, 0.015 mmol, 5 mol%), K<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> (63.7 mg, 0.3 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and DMSO (2.0 mL) were added. The reaction tube was placed on a photocatalytic parallel reactor with a 460 nm blue LEDs light source (10 W) at the bottom (**Figure 6a**). Then the reaction mixture was irradiated with the 460 nm blue LEDs (at approximately 0.3 cm away from the light source). After stirring for 22 hours at 25 °C, the reaction mixture was added 20 mL H<sub>2</sub>O and then extracted with ethyl acetate (3 × 10 mL). The combined organic phase was washed with brine (2 × 5.0 mL), dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, and concentrated under vacuum to afford the crude product, which was purified by column chromatography on silica gel using petroleum ether/ethyl acetate as eluent to give the target products.

**General Procedure B2:** After addition of reagents and solvent, the reaction tube was placed on a photocatalytic parallel reactor with a 460 nm blue LEDs light source (10 W) at the bottom. Then, during the irradiation, the temperature of the reaction mixture was adjusted to 80 °C. After stirring for 22 hours at 80 °C, the same workup procedure with General procedure B1 was performed.

**General Procedure B3:** After addition of reagents and solvent, the reaction mixture was irradiated and stirred with two 40 W 456 nm Kessil blue LEDs. The reaction tube was placed at approximately 2 cm away from the light source

(**Figure 6b**). A fan was used to cool down the reaction tube and reaction mixture during the irradiation. After stirring for 22 hours, the same workup procedure with General procedure B1 was performed.

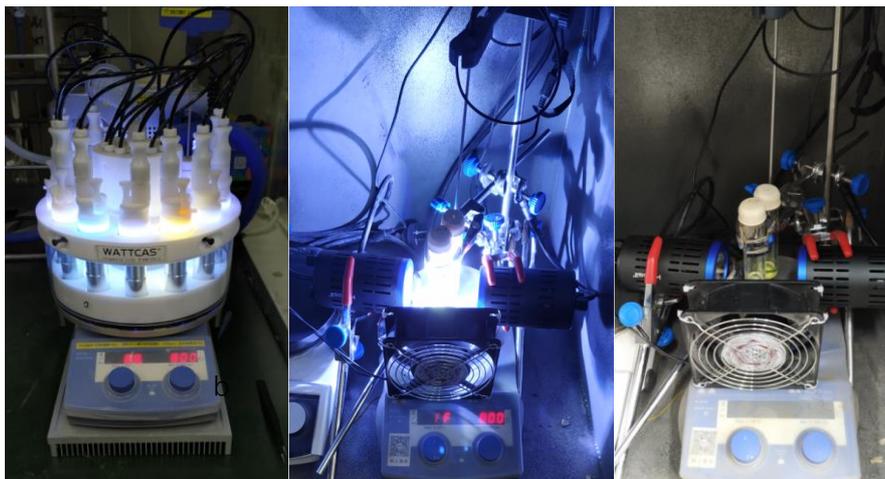
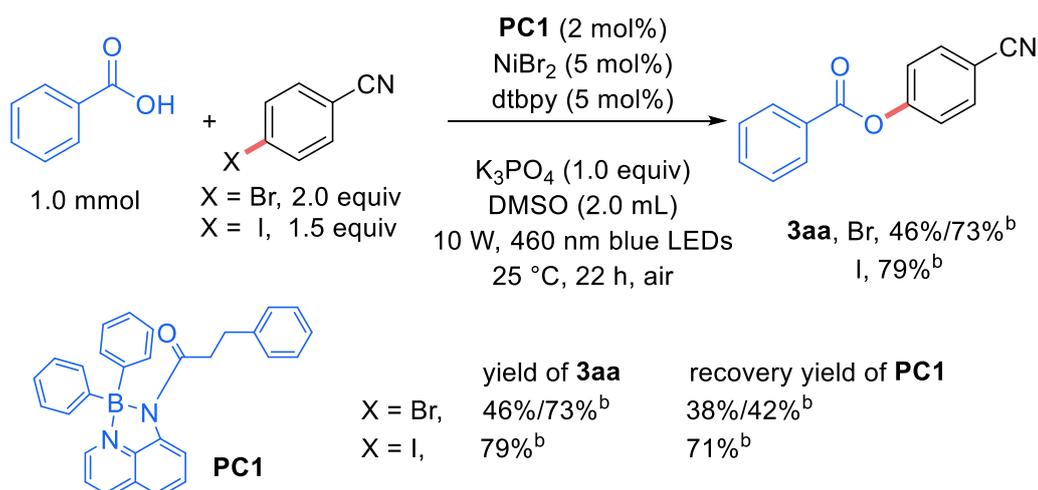


Figure 6a. WATTCAS parallel reactor

Figure 6b. KESSIL Blue LEDs

**Figure 6.** picture of the reaction

### 4.3 The synthesis of 4-cyanophenyl benzoate on larger scale



**General Procedure B4:** A flame-dried 25 mL quartz column reaction tube was placed with a magnetic stir bar. Then, benzoic acid (122.1 mg, 1.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 4-bromobenzonitrile (364.0 mg, 2.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv) / 4-iodobenzonitrile (343.5 mg, 1.5 mmol, 1.5 equiv), PC1 (8.8 mg, 0.02 mmol, 2 mol%), NiBr<sub>2</sub> (10.9 mg, 0.05 mmol, 5 mol%), dtbpy (13.4 mg, 0.05 mmol, 5 mol%), K<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> (212.3 mg, 1.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv), and DMSO (6.5 mL) were added. The reaction tube was placed on a photocatalytic parallel reactor with a 460 nm blue LEDs light source (10 W) at the bottom (**Figure 6a**). Then the reaction mixture was irradiated with the 460 nm blue LEDs (at approximately 0.3 cm away from the light source). After stirring for 22 hours at 25 °C, the reaction mixture was added 30 mL H<sub>2</sub>O and then extracted with ethyl acetate (3 × 15 mL). The combined organic phase was washed with brine (2 × 5.0 mL), dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, and concentrated under vacuum to afford the crude product, which was purified by column chromatography on silica gel using petroleum ether/ethyl acetate as eluent to give the target product to recover the photocatalyst.

**General Procedure B5:** After addition of reagents and solvent, the reaction mixture was irradiated and stirred with two 40 W 456 nm Kessil blue LEDs. The reaction tube was placed, at approximately 2 cm away from the light source (**Figure 6b**). A fan was used to cool down the reaction tube and reaction mixture during the irradiation. After stirring for 22 hours, the same workup procedure with General procedure B4 was performed.

## 5 General procedure for the synthesis of phenol

### 5.1 Control experiments for the used reaction conditions in phenol synthesis

Table S9. The control experiments for the phenol synthesis <sup>[a]</sup>



Entry	Variations from the 'standard' conditions	Yield (%) <sup>[a]</sup>
1	no <b>PC1</b>	N. D.
2	no NiBr <sub>2</sub> ·3H <sub>2</sub> O	N. D.
3	no dtbpy	44
4	no light	N. D.
5	no DIPEA	N. D.

Standard reaction conditions: 4-bromobenzonitrile (0.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv), **PC1** (0.015 mmol, 3 mol%), NiBr<sub>2</sub>·3H<sub>2</sub>O (0.025 mmol, 5 mol%), dtbpy (0.025 mmol, 5 mol%), DIPEA (1.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv), and DMSO/ H<sub>2</sub>O (2.6/0.4 mL), 10 W 455 nm blue LEDs, 25 °C, air, 22 h. <sup>[a]</sup> Isolated yield. N. D. = not detected.

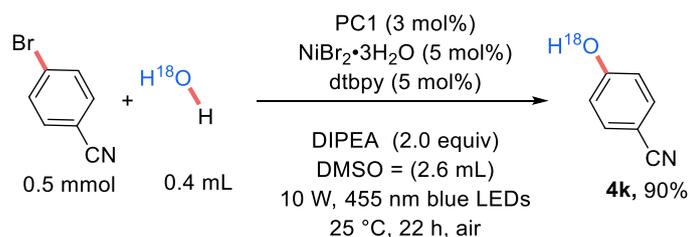
### 5.2 General procedure for the synthesis of phenol



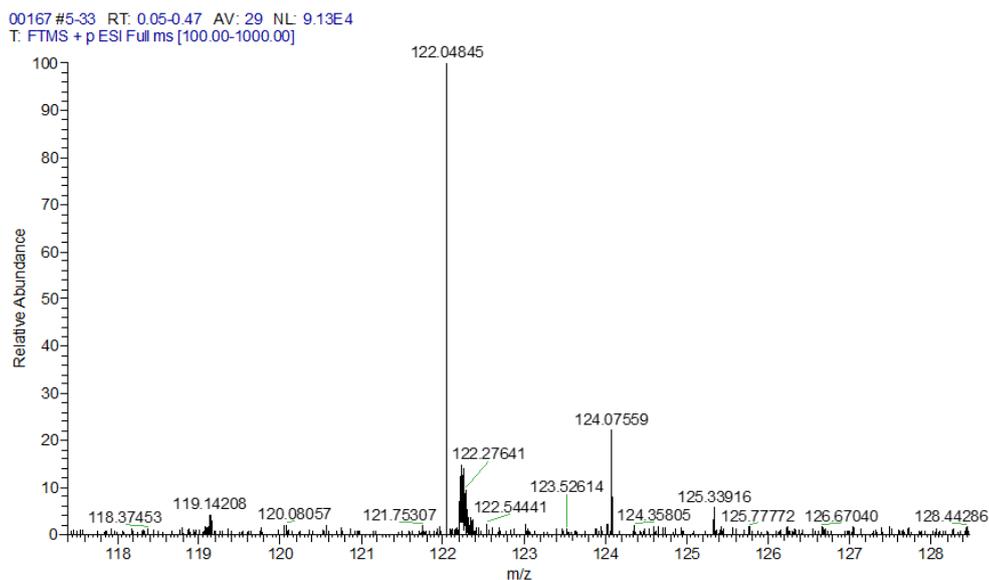
**General Procedure C1:** A flame-dried 25 mL quartz column reaction tube was placed with a magnetic stir bar. Then, aryl bromide / aryl iodine / aryl chloride (0.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv), **PC1** (6.6 mg, 0.015 mmol, 3 mol%), NiBr<sub>2</sub>·3H<sub>2</sub>O (6.8 mg, 0.025 mmol, 5 mol%), dtbpy (6.7 mg, 0.025 mmol, 5 mol%), DIPEA (129.2 mg, 1.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv), and DMSO / H<sub>2</sub>O (2.6/0.4 mL) were added. The reaction tube was placed on a photocatalytic parallel reactor with a 455 nm blue LEDs light source (10 W) at the bottom (**Figure 6a**). Then the reaction mixture was irradiated with the 455 nm blue LEDs (at approximately 0.3 cm away from the light source). After stirring for 22 hours at 25 °C, the reaction mixture was acidified with 0.3 N HCl and then extracted with ethyl acetate (3 × 10 mL). The combined organic phase was washed with brine (2 × 5.0 mL), dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, and concentrated under vacuum to afford the crude product, which was purified by column chromatography on silica gel using petroleum ether/ethyl acetate as eluent to give the target products.

**General Procedure C2:** After addition of reagents and solvent, the reaction tube was placed on a photocatalytic parallel reactor with a 455 nm blue LEDs light source (10 W) at the bottom. Then, during the irradiation, the temperature of the reaction mixture was adjusted to 80 °C. After stirring for 22 hours at 80 °C, the same workup procedure with General procedure B1 was performed.

### 5.3 $^{18}\text{O}$ labelling experiment



**General Procedure C3:** A flame-dried 25 mL quartz column reaction tube was placed with a magnetic stir bar. Then, 4-bromobenzonitrile (91.0 mg, 0.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv), **PC1** (6.6 mg, 0.015 mmol, 3 mol%),  $\text{NiBr}_2 \cdot 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (6.8 mg, 0.025 mmol, 5 mol%), dtbpy (6.7 mg, 0.025 mmol, 5 mol%), DIPEA (129.2 mg, 1.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv), and DMSO/ $\text{H}_2^{18}\text{O}$  (2.6/0.4 mL) were added. The reaction tube was placed on a photocatalytic parallel reactor with a 455 nm blue LEDs light source (10 W) at the bottom (**Figure 6a**). Then the reaction mixture was irradiated with 455 nm the blue LEDs (at approximately 0.4 cm away from the light source). After stirring for 22 hours at 25 °C, the reaction mixture was acidified with 0.3 N HCl and then extracted with ethyl acetate ( $3 \times 10$  mL). The combined organic phase was washed with brine ( $2 \times 5.0$  mL), dried over anhydrous  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ , and concentrated under vacuum to afford the crude product, which was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 3:1) to give the target products **4k** in 90% yield, the products was determined by HRMS (**Figure 7**). The key peaks of  $^{18}\text{O}$  labeled 4-(hydroxy)benzonitrile was observed. HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_7\text{H}_6\text{N}^{18}\text{O}^+$  ( $\text{M}+\text{H}$ ) $^+$  122.0486, found 122.0485.



**Figure 7.** The HRMS spectra of **4k**

## 6 General procedure for the synthesis of ethers

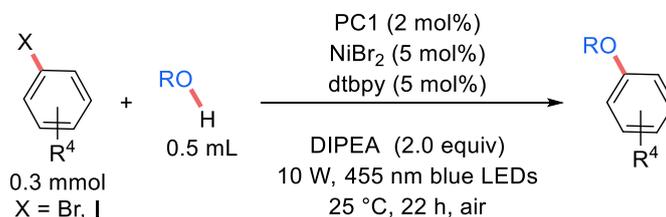
### 6.1 Control experiments for the used reaction conditions in ether synthesis

**Table S10. The control experiments for the ether synthesis** <sup>[a]</sup>

Entry	Variations from the 'standard' conditions	Yield (%) <sup>[a]</sup>
1	no <b>PC1</b>	13
2	no NiBr <sub>2</sub>	trace
3	no dtbpy	15
4	no light	N. D.
5	no DIPEA	trace

Standard reaction conditions: 4-bromobenzonitrile (0.3 mmol, 1.0 equiv), **PC1** (0.006 mmol, 2 mol%), NiBr<sub>2</sub> (0.015 mmol, 5 mol%), dtbpy (0.015 mmol, 5 mol%), DIPEA (0.6 mmol, 2.0 equiv), and MeOH (0.5 mL), 10 W 455 nm blue LEDs, 25 °C, air, 22 h. <sup>[a]</sup> Isolated yield. N. D. = not detected.

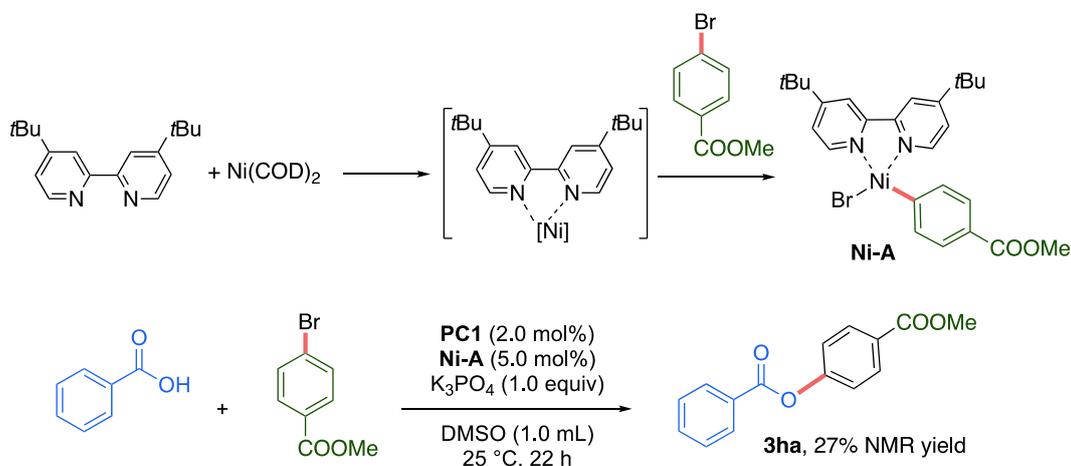
### 6.2 General procedure for the synthesis of ethers



**General Procedure D:** A flame-dried 25 mL quartz column reaction tube was placed with a magnetic stir bar. Then, aryl bromide /aryl iodine (0.3 mmol, 1.0 equiv), **PC1** (2.6 mg, 0.006 mmol, 2 mol%), NiBr<sub>2</sub> (3.3 mg, 0.015 mmol, 5 mol%), dtbpy (4.0 mg, 0.015 mmol, 5 mol%), DIPEA (77.5 mg, 0.6 mmol, 2.0 equiv), and alkyl alcohol (0.5 mL) were added. The reaction tube was placed on a photocatalytic parallel reactor with a 455 nm blue LEDs light source (10 W) at the bottom (**Figure 6a**). Then the reaction mixture was irradiated with the 455 nm blue LEDs (at approximately 0.3 cm away from the light source). After stirring for 22 hours at 25 °C, the reaction mixture was filtered, and concentrated under vacuum to afford the crude product, which was purified by column chromatography on silica gel using petroleum ether/ethyl acetate as eluent to give the target products.

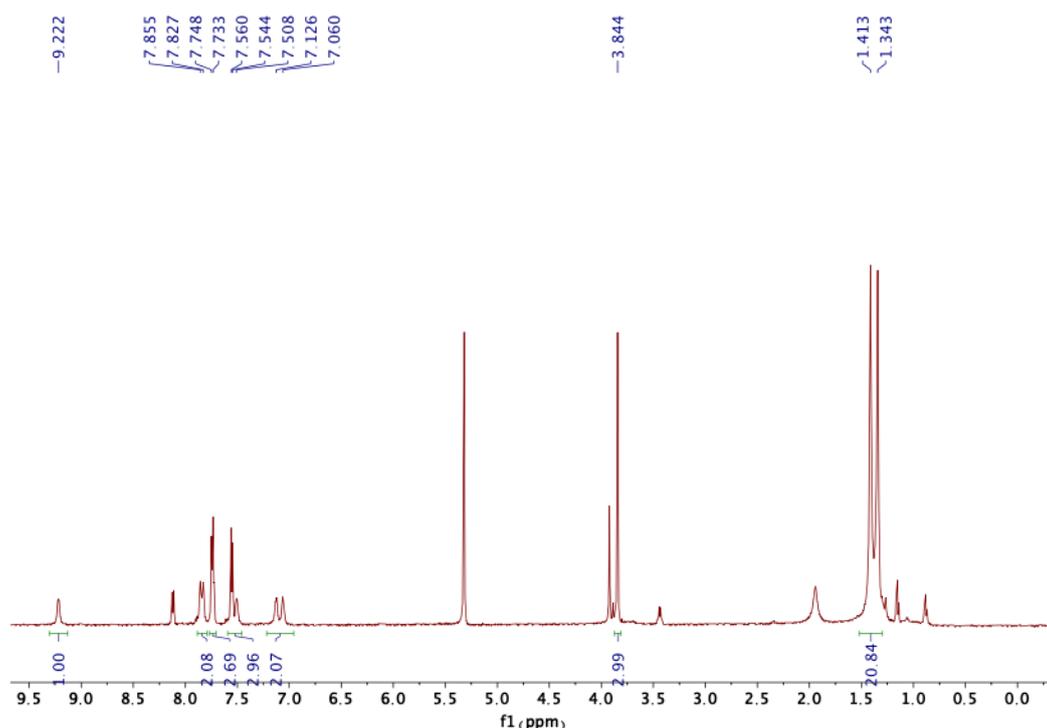
## 7 Proposed reaction mechanisms

### 7.1 The preparation and application of Ni-A species



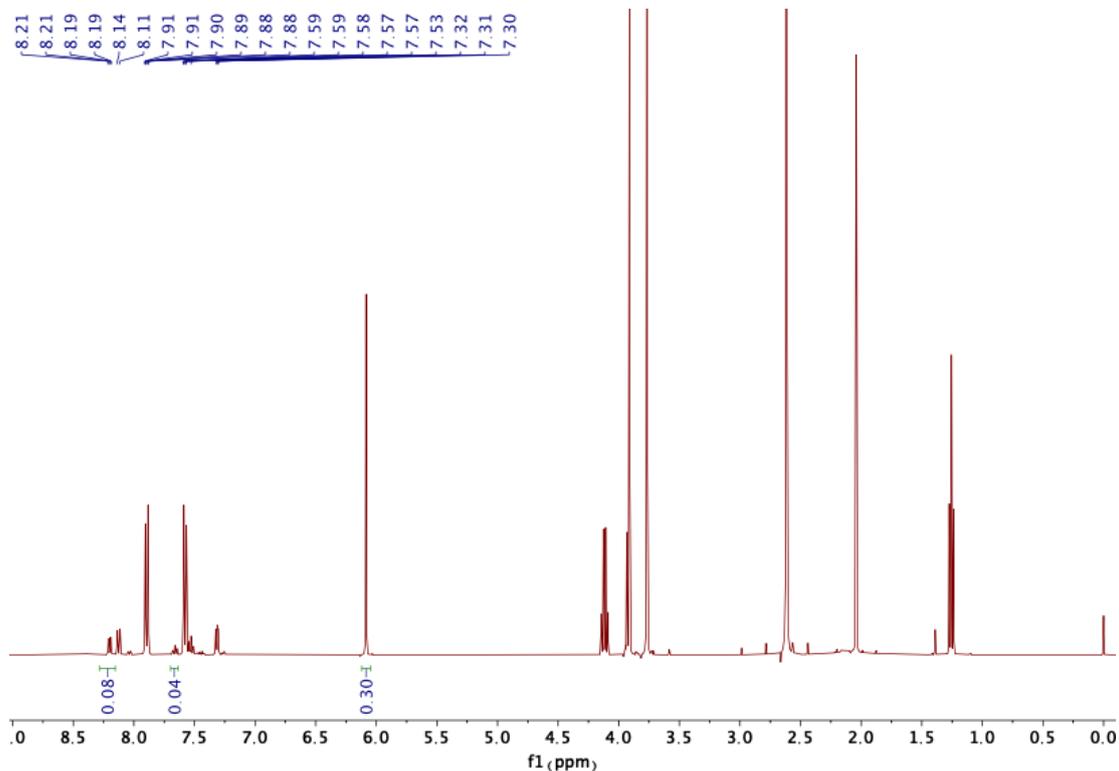
**Preparation:** The Ni-A species was prepared according to known procedure (Chu *et al*, *Nat. Commun.* 2018, 9, 4543).

In a nitrogen filled glove box, a 25 mL reaction tube containing a stirring bar was charged with Ni(COD)<sub>2</sub> (276.0 mg, 1.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 4,4'-di-tert-butyl-2,2'-bipyridine (268 mg, 1.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and THF (10.0 mL) giving a dark purple mixture which was stirred for 12 hours at room temperature. Methyl 4-bromobenzoate (2.2 g, 10.0 mmol, 10.0 equiv) was added and stirred for additional 4 hours. Dry pentane (60 mL) was added to the deep red colored mixture and filtered. The resulting precipitate was washed with pentane (20 mL × 3) and dried under vacuum to afford Ni(II)-aryl complex as a brown solid (531.1 mg). The product was used without further purification. The spectra data were also consistent with the literature. The complex was stored in a nitrogen filled glove box at -30 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) δ 9.22 (s, 1H), 7.84 (d, *J* = 14.0 Hz, 2H), 7.75-7.73 (br, 2H), 7.56-7.51 (m, 3H), 7.09 (d, *J* = 33.0 Hz, 2H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 1.41-1.34 (m, 18H).



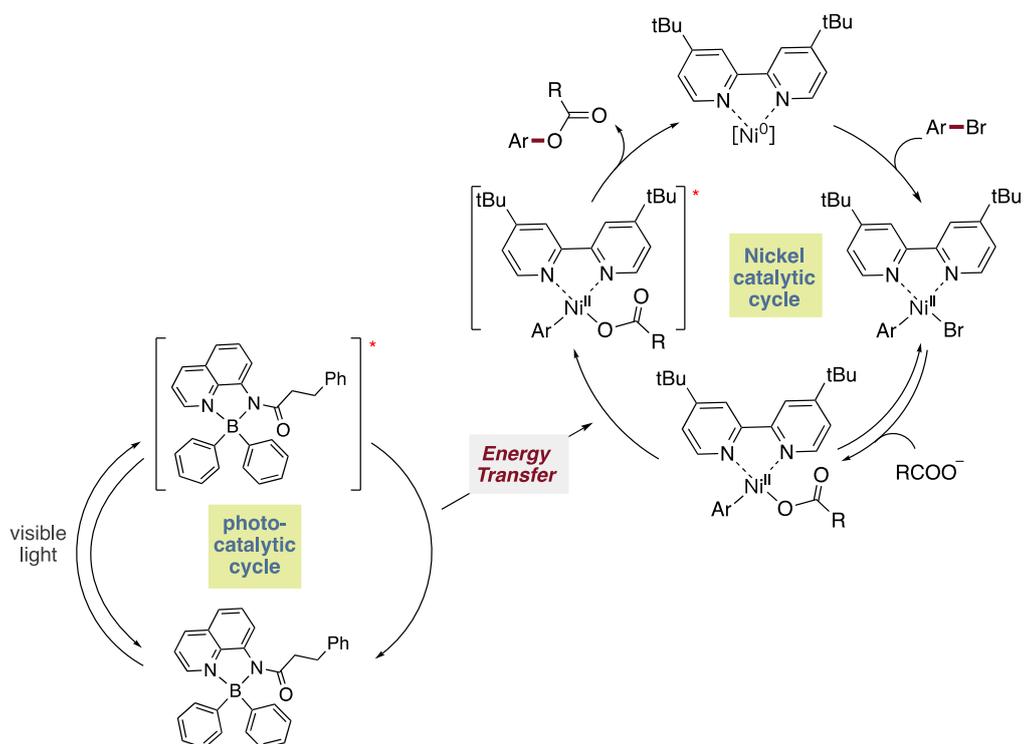
**Figure 8.** The copy of <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of Ni-A.

**Application:** A flame-dried reaction tube was placed with a magnetic stir bar. Then, benzoic acid (18.3 mg, 0.15 mmol, 1.0 equiv), methyl 4-bromobenzoate (48.4 mg, 0.225 mmol, 1.5 equiv), **PC1** (1.3 mg, 0.003 mmol, 2 mol%) and  $K_3PO_4$  (31.8 mg, 0.15 mmol, 1.0 equiv) were added. The tube was then taken into the glovebox, where **Ni-A** (4.1 mg, 5 mol%) was added. After get out of the glovebox, 1.0 mL DMSO was injected into the tube. The reaction mixture was stirred and irradiated with four Kessil A160WE Tuna Blue LED Lights. A fan was used to cool down the reaction tube and reaction mixture during the irradiation. After stirring for 22 hours, the mixture was exposed to air. 1,3,5-Trimethoxybenzene (16.8 mg, 0.10 mmol), water, and ethyl acetate were added sequentially. A portion of organic layer was concentrated and analyzed by  $^1H$  NMR to get the NMR yield (27%).



**Figure 9.** The copy of  $^1H$  NMR spectra of the reaction mixture with 1,3,5-trimethoxybenzene as internal standard.

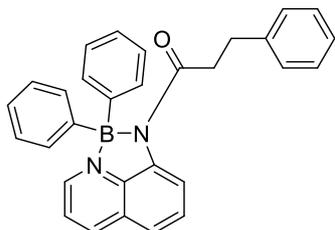
## 7.2 Proposed mechanisms



**Figure 10.** A proposed mechanism via energy transfer pathway, taking the synthesis of esters as an example.

## 8 Characterization data

### (PC1) 1-(2,2-diphenyl-2λ<sup>4</sup>,3λ<sup>4</sup>-[1,3,2]diazaborolo[4,5,1-ij]quinolin-1(2H)-yl)-3-phenylpropan-1-one



1-(2,2-diphenyl-2λ<sup>4</sup>,3λ<sup>4</sup>-  
[1,3,2]diazaborolo[4,5,1-ij]quinolin-1(2H)-yl)-3-  
phenylpropan-1-one

Chemical Formula: C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>25</sub>BN<sub>2</sub>O

Exact Mass: 440.2060

Molecular Weight: 440.3530

Following the General Procedure A with 3-phenyl-N-(quinolin-8-yl)propanamide (41.4 mg, 0.15 mmol), potassium phenyltrifluoroborate (138.0 mg, 0.75 mmol), **PC1** was obtained as yellow solid (62.7 mg, 95%).

This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 3:1).

Melting point (°C): 229.6 - 232.9.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.99 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 8.43 (dd, *J* = 5.2, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 8.38 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.80 (t, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.56 – 7.52 (m, 1H), 7.52 – 7.46 (m, 5H), 7.30 – 7.24 (m, 6H), 7.13 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.10 – 7.03 (m, 1H), 6.83 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.60 (dd, *J* = 9.5, 4.9 Hz, 2H), 2.57 – 2.49 (m, 2H).

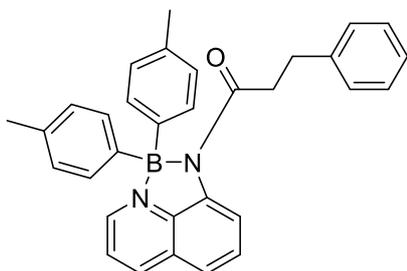
<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 176.2, 142.0, 141.5, 139.5, 139.1, 137.7, 133.5, 132.6, 128.5, 128.1, 127.9, 127.6, 127.2, 125.5, 122.5, 119.0, 117.2, 39.9, 31.5.

<sup>11</sup>B NMR (128 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 5.50.

IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3065, 3009, 1634, 1512, 1399, 824, 693.

HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>26</sub>BN<sub>2</sub>O<sup>+</sup> (M+H)<sup>+</sup> 441.2133, found 441.2141.

### (PC2) 1-(2,2-di-*p*-tolyl-2λ<sup>4</sup>,3λ<sup>4</sup>-[1,3,2]diazaborolo[4,5,1-ij]quinolin-1(2H)-yl)-3-phenylpropan-1-one



1-(2,2-di-*p*-tolyl-2λ<sup>4</sup>,3λ<sup>4</sup>-  
[1,3,2]diazaborolo[4,5,1-ij]quinolin-  
1(2H)-yl)-3-phenylpropan-1-one

Chemical Formula: C<sub>32</sub>H<sub>29</sub>BN<sub>2</sub>O

Exact Mass: 468.2373

Molecular Weight: 468.4070

Following the General Procedure A with 3-phenyl-N-(quinolin-8-yl)propanamide (41.4 mg, 0.15 mmol), potassium 4-tolyltrifluoroborate (148.5 mg, 0.75 mmol), **PC2** was obtained as yellow solid (67.7 mg, 96%).

This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 3:1).

Melting point (°C): 201.1 - 206.4.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.96 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 8.38 (d, *J* = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 8.29 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.75 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.47 – 7.41 (m, 2H), 7.36 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 4H), 7.13 – 7.03 (m, 7H), 6.81 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 2.64 – 2.57 (m, 2H), 2.57 – 2.50 (m, 2H), 2.30 (s, 6H).

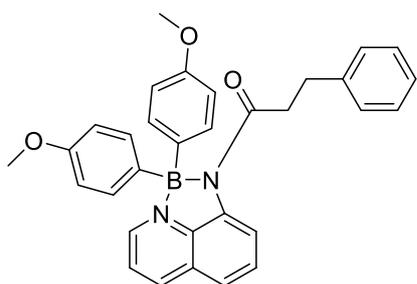
<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 176.3, 142.1, 141.6, 139.5, 139.0, 137.6, 136.7, 133.6, 132.6, 128.7, 128.5, 128.3, 127.6, 125.5, 122.4, 118.9, 117.1, 39.7, 31.5, 21.3.

<sup>11</sup>B NMR (128 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 5.54.

IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3037, 2933, 1644, 1512, 1390, 1241, 1192, 1079, 834.

HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C<sub>32</sub>H<sub>30</sub>BN<sub>2</sub>O<sup>+</sup> (M+H)<sup>+</sup> 469.2446, found 469.2455.

**(PC3) 1-(2,2-bis(4-methoxyphenyl)-2 $\lambda^4$ ,3 $\lambda^4$ -[1,3,2]diazaborolo[4,5,1-ij]quinolin-1(2H)-yl)-3-phenylpropan-1-one**



1-(2,2-bis(4-methoxyphenyl)-2 $\lambda^4$ ,3 $\lambda^4$ -  
[1,3,2]diazaborolo[4,5,1-ij]quinolin-1(2H)-yl)-3-  
phenylpropan-1-one

Chemical Formula: C<sub>32</sub>H<sub>29</sub>BN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>

Exact Mass: 500.2271

Molecular Weight: 500.4050

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  176.3, 158.9, 142.0, 141.6, 139.5,

138.9, 137.5, 134.7, 132.6, 128.5, 128.1, 127.6, 125.5, 122.4, 118.9, 117.1, 113.4, 55.1, 39.6, 31.4.

<sup>11</sup>B NMR (128 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.38.

IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3026, 2914, 2832, 1646, 1596, 1508, 1389, 1244, 1175, 1031, 831.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>32</sub>H<sub>30</sub>BN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup> (M+H)<sup>+</sup> 501.2344, found 501.2352.

Following the General Procedure A with 3-phenyl-N-(quinolin-8-yl)propanamide (41.4 mg, 0.15 mmol), potassium 4-methoxyphenyltrifluoroborate (160.5 mg, 0.75 mmol), **PC3** was obtained as yellow solid (59.7 mg, 80%).

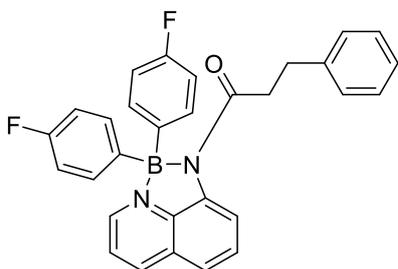
This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 3:1).

Melting point (°C): 57.6 - 62.9.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.99 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 8.40 (d, *J* = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 8.35 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.79 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.54 - 7.46 (m, 2H), 7.40 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 4H), 7.15 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.10 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 6.88 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 6.83 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 4H), 3.78 (s, 6H), 2.69 - 2.63 (m, 2H), 2.59 - 2.53 (m, 2H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  176.3, 158.9, 142.0, 141.6, 139.5,

**(PC4) 1-(2,2-bis(4-fluorophenyl)-2 $\lambda^4$ ,3 $\lambda^4$ -[1,3,2]diazaborolo[4,5,1-ij]quinolin-1(2H)-yl)-3-phenylpropan-1-one**



1-(2,2-bis(4-fluorophenyl)-2 $\lambda^4$ ,3 $\lambda^4$ -  
[1,3,2]diazaborolo[4,5,1-ij]quinolin-1(2H)-yl)-  
3-phenylpropan-1-one

Chemical Formula: C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>23</sub>BF<sub>2</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O

Exact Mass: 476.1872

Molecular Weight: 476.3338

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  175.9, 162.5 (d, *J* = 247 Hz), 141.8, 141.4, 139.4, 139.4, 137.5, 135.0 (d, *J* = 7 Hz), 132.8, 128.4, 128.2, 127.7, 125.7, 122.5, 119.1, 117.4, 114.8 (d, *J* = 19 Hz), 39.8, 31.3.

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  -115.33.

<sup>11</sup>B NMR (128 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  4.88.

IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3027, 1653, 1587, 1512, 1390, 1324, 1173, 816, 693.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>24</sub>BF<sub>2</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sup>+</sup> (M+H)<sup>+</sup> 477.1944, found 477.1954.

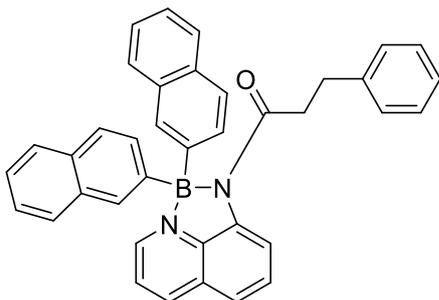
Following the General Procedure A with 3-phenyl-N-(quinolin-8-yl)propanamide (41.4 mg, 0.15 mmol), potassium 4-fluorophenyltrifluoroborate (151.5 mg, 0.75 mmol), **PC4** was obtained as yellow solid (54.1 mg, 76%).

This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 3:1).

Melting point (°C): 201.8 - 204.9.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  9.01 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.42 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.36 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 7.82 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.57 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 6.0 Hz, 4H), 7.17 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.11 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 5.9 Hz, 1H), 6.96 (t, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 4H), 6.88 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.74 - 2.64 (m, 2H), 2.54 - 2.46 (m, 2H).

**(PC5) 1-(2,2-di(naphthalen-2-yl)-2λ<sup>4</sup>,3λ<sup>4</sup>-[1,3,2]diazaborolo[4,5,1-ij]quinolin-1(2H)-yl)-3-phenylpropan-1-one**



1-(2,2-di(naphthalen-2-yl)-2λ<sup>4</sup>,3λ<sup>4</sup>-  
[1,3,2]diazaborolo[4,5,1-ij]quinolin-1(2H)-yl)-3-  
phenylpropan-1-one

Chemical Formula: C<sub>38</sub>H<sub>29</sub>BN<sub>2</sub>O

Exact Mass: 540.2373

Molecular Weight: 540.4730

127.60, 127.4, 125.8, 125.7, 125.5, 122.5, 119.2, 117.4, 40.0, 31.5.

<sup>11</sup>B NMR (128 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 5.25.

IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3056, 2924, 1644, 1503, 1399, 1173, 1070, 787.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>38</sub>H<sub>30</sub>BN<sub>2</sub>O<sup>+</sup> (M+H)<sup>+</sup> 541.2446, found 541.2449.

Following the General Procedure A with 3-phenyl-N-(quinolin-8-yl)propanamide (41.4 mg, 0.15 mmol), potassium 3-naphthyltrifluoroborate (175.5 mg, 0.75 mmol), **PC5** was obtained as yellow solid (66.7 mg, 82%).

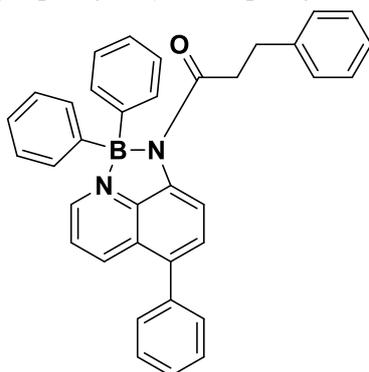
This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 5:1).

Melting point (°C): 59.8 – 61.3.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 9.07 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 8.41 (dd, *J* = 5.2, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 8.24 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 8.06 (s, 2H), 7.85 – 7.75 (m, 4H), 7.75 – 7.69 (m, 3H), 7.59 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 7.48 – 7.35 (m, 6H), 6.96 – 6.84 (m, 3H), 6.60 – 6.52 (m, 2H), 2.70 – 2.63 (m, 2H), 2.59 – 2.51 (m, 2H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 176.4, 142.5, 141.2, 139.7, 139.3, 137.8, 133.5, 133.4, 133.0, 132.7, 131.0, 128.3, 128.3, 128.0, 127.7,

**(PC6) 3-phenyl-1-(2,2,7-triphenyl-2λ<sup>4</sup>,3λ<sup>4</sup>-[1,3,2]diazaborolo[4,5,1-ij]quinolin-1(2H)-yl)propan-1-one**



3-phenyl-1-(2,2,7-triphenyl-2λ<sup>4</sup>,3λ<sup>4</sup>-  
[1,3,2]diazaborolo[4,5,1-ij]quinolin-1(2H)-  
yl)propan-1-one

Chemical Formula: C<sub>36</sub>H<sub>29</sub>BN<sub>2</sub>O

Exact Mass: 516.2373

Molecular Weight: 516.4510

IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3084, 3018, 1653, 1503, 1399, 1182, 693.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>36</sub>H<sub>30</sub>BN<sub>2</sub>O<sup>+</sup> (M+H)<sup>+</sup> 517.2446, found 517.2449.

Following the General Procedure A with 3-phenyl-N-(5-phenylquinolin-8-yl)propanamide (52.8 mg, 0.15 mmol), potassium phenyltrifluoroborate (138.0 mg, 0.75 mmol), **PC6** was obtained as yellow solid (63.5 mg, 82%).

This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA: TEA = 3:1:0.3).

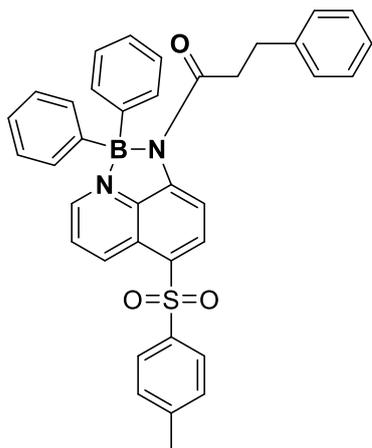
Melting point (°C): 180.8 – 184.2.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 9.06 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.50 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 8.43 (dd, *J* = 5.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.78 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.58 – 7.49 (m, 6H), 7.49 – 7.42 (m, 4H), 7.32 – 7.22 (m, 6H), 7.19 – 7.10 (m, 2H), 7.10 – 7.04 (m, 1H), 6.89 – 6.81 (m, 2H), 2.68 – 2.60 (m, 2H), 2.59 – 2.53 (m, 2H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 176.2, 141.6, 141.4, 139.7, 138.1, 137.9, 137.7, 133.6, 132.8, 130.9, 129.8, 129.0, 128.5, 128.1, 128.0, 128.0, 127.2, 126.1, 125.6, 122.5, 118.8, 39.9, 31.5.

<sup>11</sup>B NMR (128 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 5.92.

**(PC7) 1-(2,2-diphenyl-7-tosyl-2<sup>1</sup>,3<sup>1</sup>-[1,3,2]diazaborolo[4,5,1-ij]quinolin-1(2H)-yl)-3-phenylpropan-1-one**



1-(2,2-diphenyl-7-tosyl-2<sup>1</sup>,3<sup>1</sup>-  
[1,3,2]diazaborolo[4,5,1-ij]quinolin-1(2H)-yl)-3-  
phenylpropan-1-one

Chemical Formula: C<sub>37</sub>H<sub>31</sub>BN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S

Exact Mass: 594.2148

Molecular Weight: 594.5360

HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>37</sub>H<sub>32</sub>BN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S<sup>+</sup> (M+H)<sup>+</sup> 595.2221, found 595.2218.

Following the General Procedure A with 3-phenyl-N-(5-tosylquinolin-8-yl)propanamide (64.5 mg, 0.15 mmol), potassium phenyltrifluoroborate (138.0 mg, 0.75 mmol), **PC7** was obtained as yellow solid (74.0 mg, 83%).

This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: DCM: EA = 4:1:1).

Melting point (°C): 208.3 – 211.6.

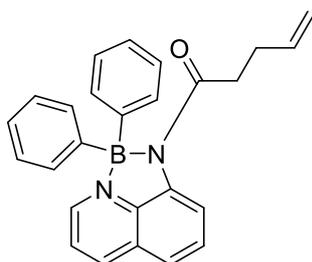
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 9.24 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 9.01 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.63 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 8.47 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 7.84 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.65 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (dd, *J* = 6.8, 2.4 Hz, 4H), 7.31 – 7.21 (m, 8H), 7.31 - 7.23 (m, 3H), 6.81 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.65 – 2.58 (m, 2H), 2.59 – 2.50 (m, 2H), 2.36 (s, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 176.9, 147.0, 144.6, 141.1, 140.5, 138.6, 137.7, 137.4, 136.9, 133.4, 130.2, 128.4, 128.1, 128.1, 127.6, 127.3, 126.3, 125.7, 124.4, 124.2, 116.5, 39.8, 31.1, 21.6.

<sup>11</sup>B NMR (128 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 5.91.

IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3074, 2924, 1662, 1503, 1370, 1314, 1136, 712.

**(PC8) 1-(2,2-diphenyl-2<sup>λ</sup>4,3<sup>λ</sup>4-[1,3,2]diazaborolo[4,5,1-ij]quinolin-1(2H)-yl)pent-4-en-1-one**



1-(2,2-diphenyl-2<sup>λ</sup>4,3<sup>λ</sup>4-  
[1,3,2]diazaborolo[4,5,1-ij]quinolin-  
1(2H)-yl)pent-4-en-1-one

Chemical Formula: C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>23</sub>BN<sub>2</sub>O

Exact Mass: 390.1903

Molecular Weight: 390.2930

IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3070, 3020, 1659, 1508, 1389, 1326, 1163, 831.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>24</sub>BN<sub>2</sub>O<sup>+</sup> (M+H)<sup>+</sup> 391.1976, found 391.1986.

Following the General Procedure A with N-(quinolin-8-yl)pent-4-enamide (33.9 mg, 0.15 mmol), potassium phenyltrifluoroborate (138.0 mg, 0.75 mmol), **PC8** was obtained as yellow solid (49.2 mg, 84%).

This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 3:1).

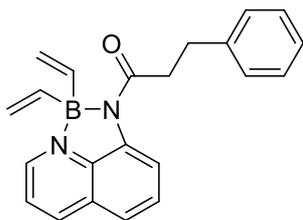
Melting point (°C): 196.5 – 198.4.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.97 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 8.42 (dd, *J* = 5.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 8.37 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.78 (t, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.54 – 7.46 (m, 6H), 7.30 – 7.22 (m, 6H), 5.58 – 5.45 (m, 1H), 4.79 – 4.66 (m, 2H), 2.32 - 2.24 (m, 2H), 2.05 – 1.97 (m, 2H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 176.4, 142.1, 139.5, 139.1, 137.8, 137.7, 133.5, 132.7, 127.8, 127.6, 127.1, 122.4, 118.9, 117.1, 114.4, 37.6, 29.3.

<sup>11</sup>B NMR (128 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 5.25.

**(PC9) 1-(2,2-divinyl-2 $\lambda^4,3\lambda^4$ -[1,3,2]diazaborolo[4,5,1-*ij*]quinolin-1(2H)-yl)-3-phenylpropan-1-one**



1-(2,2-divinyl-2 $\lambda^4,3\lambda^4$ -  
[1,3,2]diazaborolo[4,5,1-*ij*]quinolin-1(2H)-  
yl)-3-phenylpropan-1-one

Chemical Formula: C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>21</sub>BN<sub>2</sub>O

Exact Mass: 340.1747

Molecular Weight: 340.2330

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.82 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 8.39 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 0.4 Hz, 1H), 8.32 (d, *J* = 4.4 Hz, 1H), 7.72 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.31 – 7.26 (m, 4H), 7.22 – 7.15 (m, 1H), 6.40 (dd, *J* = 19.6, 13.2 Hz, 2H), 5.58 (d, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 5.54 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 5.32 (d, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 5.27 (d, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 3.11 – 3.04 (m, 2H), 2.97 – 2.87 (m, 2H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  175.7, 142.0, 141.7, 139.3, 138.8, 137.9, 132.5, 128.6, 128.5, 128.3, 127.8, 125.8, 123.8, 122.0, 118.4, 116.7, 39.2, 31.8.

<sup>11</sup>B NMR (128 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  3.05.

IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3046, 2933, 1653, 1512, 1399, 1088, 947, 768.

HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>22</sub>BN<sub>2</sub>O<sup>+</sup> (*M*+*H*)<sup>+</sup> 341.1820, found 341.1828.

Following the General Procedure A with 3-phenyl-N-(quinolin-8-yl)propanamide (41.4 mg, 0.15 mmol), potassium vinyltrifluoroborate (100.5 mg, 0.75 mmol), **PC9** was obtained as yellow solid (33.5 mg, 66%).

This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 5:1).

Melting point (°C): 87.7 – 90.8.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.82 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 8.39 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 0.4 Hz, 1H), 8.32 (d, *J* = 4.4 Hz, 1H), 7.72 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.31 – 7.26 (m, 4H), 7.22 – 7.15 (m, 1H), 6.40 (dd, *J* = 19.6, 13.2 Hz, 2H), 5.58 (d, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 5.54 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 5.32 (d, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 5.27 (d, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 3.11 – 3.04 (m, 2H), 2.97 – 2.87 (m, 2H).

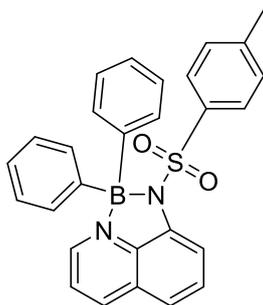
<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  175.7, 142.0, 141.7, 139.3, 138.8, 137.9, 132.5, 128.6, 128.5, 128.3, 127.8, 125.8, 123.8, 122.0, 118.4, 116.7, 39.2, 31.8.

<sup>11</sup>B NMR (128 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  3.05.

IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3046, 2933, 1653, 1512, 1399, 1088, 947, 768.

HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>22</sub>BN<sub>2</sub>O<sup>+</sup> (*M*+*H*)<sup>+</sup> 341.1820, found 341.1828.

**(PC10) 2,2-diphenyl-1-tosyl-1,2-dihydro-2 $\lambda^4,3\lambda^4$ -[1,3,2]diazaborolo[4,5,1-*ij*]quinoline**



2,2-diphenyl-1-tosyl-1,2-dihydro-2 $\lambda^4,3\lambda^4$ -  
[1,3,2]diazaborolo[4,5,1-*ij*]quinoline

Chemical Formula: C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>23</sub>BN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S

Exact Mass: 462.1573

Molecular Weight: 462.3740

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.44 (dd, *J* = 5.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 8.35 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.84 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.67 (t, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 7.51 – 7.45 (m, 4H), 7.36 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.31 – 7.26 (m, 6H), 6.97 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.86 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.22 (s, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  142.4, 140.6, 140.3, 139.2, 137.6, 137.3, 134.1, 132.1, 128.7, 128.1, 127.5, 127.3, 127.0, 122.9, 115.8, 113.2, 21.3.

<sup>11</sup>B NMR (128 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.77.

IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3056, 2999, 1512, 1390, 1324, 1154, 580.

HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>24</sub>BN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S<sup>+</sup> (*M*+*H*)<sup>+</sup> 463.16461, found 463.16498.

Following the General Procedure A with quinolin-8-amine (21.6 mg, 0.15 mmol), potassium phenyltrifluoroborate (138.0 mg, 0.75 mmol), 4-toluenesulfonyl chloride (57.2 mg, 0.3 mmol), **PC10** was obtained as yellow solid (58.2 mg, 84%).

This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: DCM: EA = 6:2:1).

Melting point (°C): 240.1 – 246.2.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.44 (dd, *J* = 5.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 8.35 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.84 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.67 (t, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 7.51 – 7.45 (m, 4H), 7.36 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.31 – 7.26 (m, 6H), 6.97 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.86 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.22 (s, 3H).

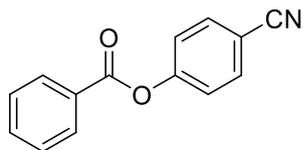
<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  142.4, 140.6, 140.3, 139.2, 137.6, 137.3, 134.1, 132.1, 128.7, 128.1, 127.5, 127.3, 127.0, 122.9, 115.8, 113.2, 21.3.

<sup>11</sup>B NMR (128 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.77.

IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3056, 2999, 1512, 1390, 1324, 1154, 580.

HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>24</sub>BN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S<sup>+</sup> (*M*+*H*)<sup>+</sup> 463.16461, found 463.16498.

**(3aa) 4-cyanophenyl benzoate (CAS: 16513-72-7) <sup>1</sup>**



4-cyanophenyl benzoate

Chemical Formula: C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>9</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>

Exact Mass: 223.0633

Molecular Weight: 223.2310

Following the General Procedure B1 with 4-bromobenzonitrile (109.2 mg, 0.6 mmol), benzoic acid (36.6 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3aa** was obtained as white solid (55.8 mg, 83%).

Following the General Procedure B3 with 4-bromobenzonitrile (109.2 mg, 0.6 mmol), benzoic acid (36.6 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3aa** was obtained as white solid (56.9 mg, 85%).

Following the General Procedure B1 with 4-iodinebenzonitrile (103.1 mg, 0.45 mmol), benzoic acid (36.6 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3aa** was obtained as white solid (60.3 mg, 90%).

Following the General Procedure B3 with 4-iodinebenzonitrile (103.1 mg, 0.45 mmol), benzoic acid (36.6 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3aa** was obtained as white solid (60.1 mg, 90%).

Following the General Procedure B4 with 4-bromobenzonitrile (364.0 mg, 2.0 mmol), benzoic acid (122.1 mg, 1.0 mmol), **3aa** was obtained as white solid (103.2 mg, 46%).

Following the General Procedure B5 with 4-bromobenzonitrile (364.0 mg, 2.0 mmol), benzoic acid (122.1 mg, 1.0 mmol), **3aa** was obtained as white solid (163.5 mg, 73%).

Following the General Procedure B5 with 4-iodobenzonitrile (343.5 mg, 1.5 mmol), benzoic acid (122.1 mg, 1.0 mmol), **3aa** was obtained as white solid (176.5 mg, 79%).

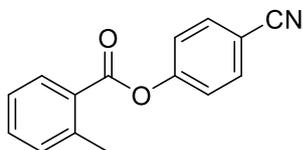
This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 10:1).

Melting point (°C): 87.9-89.9.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.19 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.4 Hz, 2H), 7.77 – 7.72 (m, 2H), 7.68 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.38 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 164.3, 154.3, 134.2, 133.8, 130.3, 128.8, 128.7, 123.0, 118.3, 109.8.

**(3ab) 4-cyanophenyl 2-methylbenzoate (CAS: 89013-79-6) <sup>1</sup>**



4-cyanophenyl 2-methylbenzoate

Chemical Formula: C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>11</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>

Exact Mass: 237.0790

Molecular Weight: 237.2580

Following the General Procedure B1 with 4-bromobenzonitrile (109.2 mg, 0.6 mmol), o-toluic acid (40.8 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3ab** was obtained as white solid (51.2 mg, 72%).

Following the General Procedure B1 with 4-iodinebenzonitrile (103.1 mg, 0.45 mmol), o-toluic acid (40.8 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3ab** was obtained as white solid (62.4 mg, 88%).

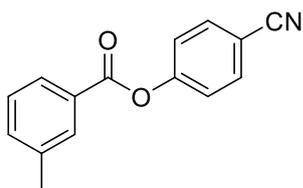
This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 10:1).

Melting point (°C): 88.3-89.7.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.16 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.78 – 7.69 (m, 2H), 7.56 – 7.48 (m, 1H), 7.38 – 7.31 (m, 4H), 2.67 (s, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 164.7, 154.3, 141.8, 133.7, 133.4, 132.2, 131.3, 127.5, 126.1, 123.1, 118.4, 109.7, 22.0.

**(3ac) 4-cyanophenyl 3-methylbenzoate (CAS: 89434-74-2) <sup>1</sup>**



4-cyanophenyl 3-methylbenzoate

Chemical Formula: C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>11</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>

Exact Mass: 237.0790

Molecular Weight: 237.2580

Following the General Procedure B1 with 4-bromobenzonitrile (109.2 mg, 0.6 mmol), m-toluic acid (40.8 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3ac** was obtained as white solid (21.9 mg, 31%).

Following the General Procedure B3 with 4-iodinebenzonitrile (103.1 mg, 0.45 mmol), m-toluic acid (40.8 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3ac** was obtained as white solid (64.1 mg, 90%).

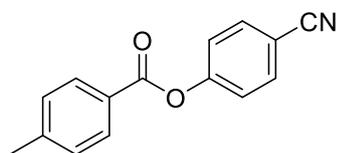
This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 10:1).

Melting point (°C): 76.7-78.5.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.00 (d,  $J = 0.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.98 (s, 1H), 7.78 – 7.71 (m, 2H), 7.48 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.42 (t,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.39 – 7.34 (m, 2H), 2.45 (s, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  164.5, 154.4, 138.7, 135.0, 133.7, 130.8, 128.7, 128.6, 127.5, 123.0, 118.3, 109.8, 21.3.

**(3ad) 4-cyanophenyl 4-methylbenzoate (CAS: 32792-42-0) <sup>2</sup>**



4-cyanophenyl 4-methylbenzoate

Chemical Formula:  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{11}\text{NO}_2$

Exact Mass: 237.0790

Molecular Weight: 237.2580

Following the General Procedure B1 with 4-bromobenzonitrile (109.2 mg, 0.6 mmol), p-toluic acid (40.8 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3ad** was obtained as white solid (50.5 mg, 71%).

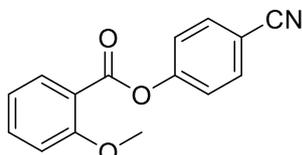
This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 10:1).

Melting point ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ): 144.0-145.5.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.11 – 8.05 (m, 2H), 7.76 – 7.70 (m, 2H), 7.39 – 7.34 (m, 2H), 7.33 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H), 2.46 (s, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  164.4, 154.4, 145.2, 133.7, 130.4, 129.52, 125.9, 123.0, 118.4, 109.7, 21.8.

**(3ae) 4-cyanophenyl 2-methoxybenzoate (CAS: 849902-76-7)**



4-cyanophenyl 2-methoxybenzoate

Chemical Formula:  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{11}\text{NO}_3$

Exact Mass: 253.0739

Molecular Weight: 253.2570

Following the General Procedure B1 with 4-bromobenzonitrile (109.2 mg, 0.6 mmol), o-Anisic acid (45.6 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3ae** was obtained as white solid (51.8 mg, 68%).

Following the General Procedure B1 with 4-iodinebenzonitrile (103.1 mg, 0.45 mmol), o-Anisic acid (45.6 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3ae** was obtained as white solid (66.3 mg, 87%).

This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 10:1).

Melting point ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ): 80.3-82.9.

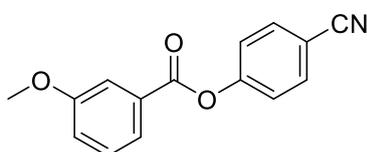
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.01 (dd,  $J = 8.0, 1.8$  Hz, 1H), 7.76 – 7.68 (m, 2H), 7.58 (ddd,  $J = 8.4, 7.6, 1.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.42 – 7.32 (m, 2H), 7.10 – 7.02 (m, 2H), 3.94 (s, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  163.3, 160.2, 154.4, 135.1, 133.6, 132.4, 123.1, 120.3, 118.4, 117.9, 112.3, 109.5, 56.1.

IR ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 2970, 2845, 2229, 1746, 1596, 1495, 1202, 1031, 761, 554.

HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{12}\text{NO}_3^+$  ( $\text{M}+\text{H}$ )<sup>+</sup> 254.0812, found 254.0817.

**(3af) 4-cyanophenyl 3-methoxybenzoate (CAS: 959295-26-2)**



4-cyanophenyl 3-methoxybenzoate

Chemical Formula:  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{11}\text{NO}_3$

Exact Mass: 253.0739

Molecular Weight: 253.2570

Following the General Procedure B1 with 4-bromobenzonitrile (109.2 mg, 0.6 mmol), 3-methoxybenzoic acid (45.6 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3af** was obtained as white solid (45.3 mg, 60%).

Following the General Procedure B1 with 4-iodinebenzonitrile (103.1 mg, 0.45 mmol), 3-methoxybenzoic acid (45.6 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3af** was obtained as white solid (58.3 mg, 77%).

This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 10:1).

Melting point ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ): 89.4-92.3.

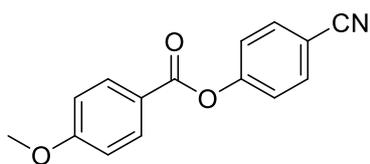
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.81 – 7.77 (m, 1H), 7.76 – 7.71 (m, 2H), 7.68 (dd,  $J = 2.4, 1.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.43 (t,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.39 – 7.34 (m, 2H), 7.21 (ddd,  $J = 8.0, 3.2, 0.8$  Hz, 1H), 3.88 (s, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  164.2, 159.8, 154.3, 133.8, 129.9, 129.8, 123.0, 122.7, 120.6, 118.3, 114.7, 109.9, 55.6.

IR ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3018, 2227, 1738, 1587, 1277, 1211, 731, 542.

HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{12}\text{NO}_3^+$  ( $\text{M}+\text{H}$ )<sup>+</sup> 254.0812, found 254.0816.

**(3ag) 4-cyanophenyl 4-methoxybenzoate (CAS: 74471-18-4) <sup>1</sup>**



4-cyanophenyl 4-methoxybenzoate

Chemical Formula: C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>11</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>

Exact Mass: 253.0739

Molecular Weight: 253.2570

Following the General Procedure B1 with 4-bromobenzonitrile (109.2 mg, 0.6 mmol), 4-methoxybenzoic acid (45.6 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3ag** was obtained as white solid (49.2 mg, 65%).

Following the General Procedure B1 with 4-iodinebenzonitrile (103.1 mg, 0.45 mmol), 4-methoxybenzoic acid (45.6 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3ag** was obtained as white solid (63.7 mg, 84%).

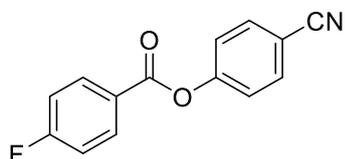
This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 10:1).

Melting point (°C): 89.3-91.2.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.13 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.72 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.35 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.99 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 3.90 (s, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 164.4, 164.0, 154.5, 133.7, 132.5, 123.0, 120.8, 118.4, 114.1, 109.6, 55.6.

**(3ah) 4-cyanophenyl 4-fluorobenzoate (CAS: 32792-47-5) <sup>1</sup>**



4-cyanophenyl 4-fluorobenzoate

Chemical Formula: C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>8</sub>FNO<sub>2</sub>

Exact Mass: 241.0539

Molecular Weight: 241.2214

Following the General Procedure B1 with 4-bromobenzonitrile (109.2 mg, 0.6 mmol), 4-fluorobenzoic acid (42.0 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3ah** was obtained as white solid (39.2 mg, 54%).

Following the General Procedure B3 with 4-iodinebenzonitrile (103.1 mg, 0.45 mmol), 4-fluorobenzoic acid (42.0 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3ah** was obtained as white solid (66.5 mg, 92%).

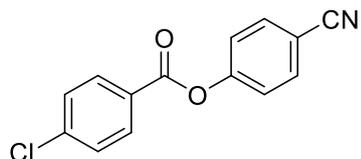
This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 10:1).  
Melting point (°C): 98.2-100.0.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.25 – 8.17 (m, 2H), 7.77 – 7.71 (m, 2H), 7.41 – 7.33 (m, 2H), 7.25 – 7.16 (m, 2H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 166.5 (d, *J* = 257 Hz), 163.4, 154.1, 133.8, 133.01 (d, *J* = 10 Hz), 124.9 (d, *J* = 3 Hz), 122.9, 118.2, 116.1 (d, *J* = 22 Hz), 110.0.

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ -103.11.

**(3ai) 4-cyanophenyl 4-chlorobenzoate (CAS: 32792-53-3) <sup>1</sup>**



4-cyanophenyl 4-chlorobenzoate

Chemical Formula: C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>8</sub>ClNO<sub>2</sub>

Exact Mass: 257.0244

Molecular Weight: 257.6730

Following the General Procedure B1 with 4-bromobenzonitrile (109.2 mg, 0.6 mmol), 4-chlorobenzoic acid (47.0 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3ai** was obtained as white solid (60.4 mg, 78%).

Following the General Procedure B3 with 4-iodinebenzonitrile (103.1 mg, 0.45 mmol), 4-chlorobenzoic acid (47.0 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3ai** was obtained as white solid (67.3 mg, 87%).

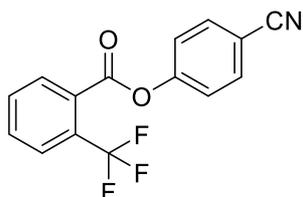
This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 10:1).

Melting point (°C): 115.3-117.1.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.16 – 8.08 (m, 2H), 7.78 – 7.69 (m, 2H), 7.55 – 7.47 (m, 2H), 7.40 – 7.32 (m, 2H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 163.5, 154.0, 140.8, 133.8, 131.7, 129.2, 127.1, 122.9, 118.2, 110.0.

**(3aj) 4-cyanophenyl 2-(trifluoromethyl)benzoate (CAS: ) 849190-82-5**



**4-cyanophenyl 2-(trifluoromethyl)benzoate**

Chemical Formula: C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>8</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>

Exact Mass: 291.0507

Molecular Weight: 291.2292

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.01 – 7.95 (m, 1H), 7.87 – 7.82 (m, 1H), 7.76 – 7.75 (m, 1H), 7.74 – 7.70 (m, 3H), 7.42 – 7.37 (m, 2H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 164.3, 153.7, 133.8, 132.4, 132.1, 130.9, 129.4 (q, *J* = 2 Hz), 129.2 (q, *J* = 33 Hz), 127.1 (q, *J* = 5 Hz), 123.3 (q, *J* = 274 Hz), 122.6, 118.2, 110.3.

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ -59.17.

IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3074, 2227, 1775, 1503, 1414, 1173, 768, 552.

HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>9</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> (M+H)<sup>+</sup> 292.0580, found 292.0584.

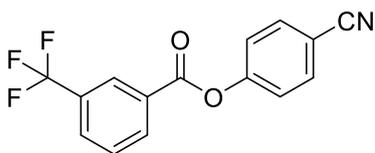
Following the General Procedure B1 with 4-bromobenzonitrile (109.2 mg, 0.6 mmol), 2-(trifluoromethyl)benzoic acid (57.0 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3aj** was obtained as white solid (66.9 mg, 77%).

Following the General Procedure B1 with 4-iodinebenzonitrile (103.1 mg, 0.45 mmol), 2-(trifluoromethyl)benzoic acid (57.0 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3aj** was obtained as white solid (77.3 mg, 89%).

his target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 10:1).

Melting point (°C): 60.2-61.8.

**(3ak) 4-cyanophenyl 3-(trifluoromethyl)benzoate (CAS: 556016-47-8)**



**4-cyanophenyl 3-(trifluoromethyl)benzoate**

Chemical Formula: C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>8</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>

Exact Mass: 291.0507

Molecular Weight: 291.2292

7.43 – 7.36 (m, 2H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 163.1, 153.9, 133.9, 133.5 (q, *J* = 1 Hz), 131.6 (q, *J* = 33 Hz), 130.7 (q, *J* = 4 Hz), 129.6, 129.6, 127.2 (q, *J* = 4 Hz), 123.5 (q, *J* = 274 Hz), 122.8, 118.1, 110.3.

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ -62.85.

IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3102, 2227, 1738, 1503, 1333, 1239, 759, 562.

HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>9</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> (M+H)<sup>+</sup> 292.0580, found 292.0578.

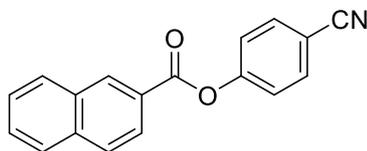
Following the General Procedure B1 with 4-bromobenzonitrile (109.2 mg, 0.6 mmol), 3-(trifluoromethyl)benzoic acid (57.0 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3ak** was obtained as white solid (57.6 mg, 66%).

his target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 10:1).

Melting point (°C): 47.9-49.1.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.45 (s, 1H), 8.38 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.93 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.80 – 7.74 (m, 2H), 7.70 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H),

**(3al) 4-cyanophenyl 2-naphthoate (CAS: 49583-89-3) <sup>1</sup>**



**4-cyanophenyl 2-naphthoate**

Chemical Formula: C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>11</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>

Exact Mass: 273.0790

Molecular Weight: 273.2910

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.78 (s, 1H), 8.17 (dd, *J* = 8.6, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 8.05 – 7.89 (m, 3H), 7.78 – 7.72 (m, 2H), 7.70 – 7.65 (m, 1H), 7.65 – 7.59 (m, 1H), 7.45 – 7.38 (m, 2H).

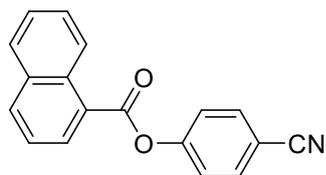
<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 164.5, 154.4, 136.0, 133.8, 132.5, 132.3, 129.6, 129.1, 128.7, 127.9, 127.1, 125.8, 125.3, 123.0, 118.4, 109.8.

Following the General Procedure B1 with 4-bromobenzonitrile (109.2 mg, 0.6 mmol), 2-naphthoic acid (51.7 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3al** was obtained as white solid (50.1 mg, 61%).

Following the General Procedure B1 with 4-iodinebenzonitrile (103.1 mg, 0.45 mmol), 2-naphthoic acid (51.7mg, 0.3 mmol), **3al** was obtained as white solid (58.1 mg, 71%).

This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 10:1). Melting point (°C): 115.3-117.5.

**(3am) 4-cyanophenyl 1-naphthoate (CAS: 49583-90-6)**



4-cyanophenyl 1-naphthoate  
Chemical Formula: C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>11</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>  
Exact Mass: 273.0790  
Molecular Weight: 273.2910

Following the General Procedure B1 with 4-bromobenzonitrile (109.2 mg, 0.6 mmol), 1-naphthoic acid (51.7 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3am** was obtained as white solid (54.5 mg, 67%).

Following the General Procedure B1 with 4-iodobenzonitrile (103.1 mg, 0.45 mmol), 1-naphthoic acid (51.7 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3am** was obtained as white solid (68.3 mg, 83%).

This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 10:1).  
Melting point (°C): 87.3-89.0.

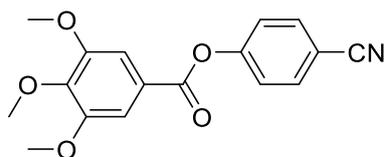
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 9.02 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 8.48 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 8.15 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.95 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.80 – 7.73 (m, 2H), 7.71 - 7.64 (m, 1H), 7.63 – 7.55 (m, 2H), 7.46 – 7.39 (m, 2H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 164.7, 154.3, 135.1, 134.0, 133.8, 131.8, 131.7, 128.9, 128.6, 126.7, 125.5, 124.7, 124.5, 123.2, 118.4, 109.8.

IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2232, 1707, 1502, 1195, 978, 888, 587.

HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>12</sub>NO<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> (M+H)<sup>+</sup> 274.0863, found 274.0871.

**(3an) 4-cyanophenyl 3,4,5-trimethoxybenzoate (CAS: 284673-89-8)**



4-cyanophenyl 3,4,5-trimethoxybenzoate  
Chemical Formula: C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>15</sub>NO<sub>5</sub>  
Exact Mass: 313.0950  
Molecular Weight: 313.3090

Following the General Procedure B1 with 4-bromobenzonitrile (109.2 mg, 0.6 mmol), 3,4,5-trimethoxybenzoic acid (63.7 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3an** was obtained as white solid (30.1 mg, 32%).

Following the General Procedure B1 with 4-iodobenzonitrile (103.1 mg, 0.45 mmol), 3,4,5-trimethoxybenzoic acid (63.7 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3an** was obtained as white solid (52.6 mg, 56%).

This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 3:1).

Melting point (°C): 96.3-98.9.

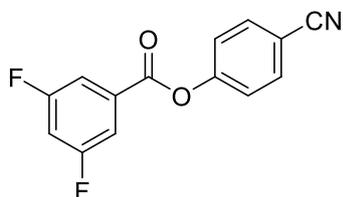
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.77 – 7.72 (m, 2H), 7.42 (s, 2H), 7.37 – 7.32 (m, 2H), 3.95 (s, 3H), 3.94 (s, 6H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 164.0, 154.3, 153.2, 143.4, 133.8, 123.4, 123.0, 118.3, 109.9, 107.6, 61.1, 56.4.

IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2945, 2229, 1727, 1596, 1420, 1226, 868, 755.

HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>16</sub>NO<sub>5</sub><sup>+</sup> (M+H)<sup>+</sup> 314.1023, found 314.1027.

**(3ao) 4-cyanophenyl 3,5-difluorobenzoate (CAS: 849459-13-8)**



4-cyanophenyl 3,5-difluorobenzoate  
Chemical Formula: C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>7</sub>F<sub>2</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>  
Exact Mass: 259.0445  
Molecular Weight: 259.2118

Following the General Procedure B1 with 4-bromobenzonitrile (109.2 mg, 0.6 mmol), 3,5-difluorobenzoic acid (47.4 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3ao** was obtained as white solid (14.1 mg, 18%).

Following the General Procedure B1 with 4-iodobenzonitrile (103.1 mg, 0.45 mmol), 3,5-difluorobenzoic acid (47.4 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3ao** was obtained as white solid (33.9 mg, 44%).

This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 10:1).

Melting point (°C): 138.4-139.2.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.78 – 7.74 (dt, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2.0 Hz, 2H), 7.73 – 7.67 (m, 2H), 7.40 – 7.34 (dt, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1.6 Hz, 2H), 7.13 (tt, *J* = 8.4, 2.4 Hz, 1H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 163.0 (dd, *J* = 252 Hz, 12 Hz), 162.2 (t, *J* = 36 Hz), 153.7, 133.9, 131.8 (t, *J* = 9 Hz), 122.7,

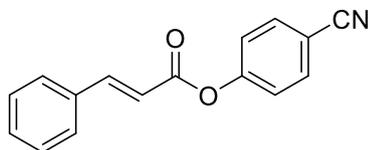
118.1, 113.4 (dd,  $J = 19$  Hz, 8 Hz), 110.4, 109.7 (t,  $J = 24$  Hz).

$^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  -107.41.

IR ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 2235, 1746, 1602, 1332, 1207, 868.

HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_8\text{F}_2\text{NO}_2^+$  ( $\text{M}+\text{H}$ ) $^+$  260.0518, found 260.0523.

### (3ap) (*E*)-4-cyanophenyl cinnamate (CAS: 111864-03-0)<sup>3</sup>



4-cyanophenyl cinnamate

Chemical Formula:  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{11}\text{NO}_2$

Exact Mass: 249.0790

Molecular Weight: 249.2690

Following the General Procedure B1 with 4-bromobenzonitrile (109.2 mg, 0.6 mmol), trans-cinnamic acid (44.4 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3ap** was obtained as white solid (28.1 mg, 38%).

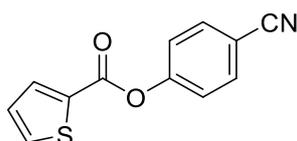
Following the General Procedure B1 with 4-iodinebenzonitrile (103.1 mg, 0.45 mmol), trans-cinnamic acid (44.4 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3ap** was obtained as white solid (49.8 mg, 67%).

This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 10:1).  
Melting point ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ): 101.6-102.9.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.90 (d,  $J = 16.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.71 (d,  $J = 8.8$  Hz, 2H), 7.64 – 7.56 (m, 2H), 7.49 – 7.41 (m, 3H), 7.32 (d,  $J = 8.8$  Hz, 2H), 6.62 (d,  $J = 16.0$  Hz, 1H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  164.5, 154.2, 147.9, 133.8, 133.7, 131.2, 129.1, 128.5, 122.8, 118.4, 116.3, 109.6.

### (3aq) 4-cyanophenyl thiophene-2-carboxylate (CAS: 926557-71-3)



4-cyanophenyl thiophene-2-carboxylate

Chemical Formula:  $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_7\text{NO}_2\text{S}$

Exact Mass: 229.0197

Molecular Weight: 229.2530

Following the General Procedure B1 with 4-bromobenzonitrile (109.2 mg, 0.6 mmol), 2-thiophenecarboxylic acid (38.4 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3aq** was obtained as white solid (57.7 mg, 84%).

Following the General Procedure B1 with 4-iodinebenzonitrile (103.1 mg, 0.45 mmol), 2-thiophenecarboxylic acid (38.4 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3aq** was obtained as white solid (49.9 mg, 73%).

This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 10:1).

Melting point ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ): 117.1-118.2.

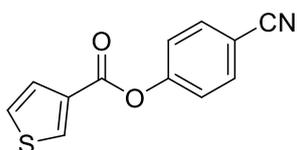
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.99 (dd,  $J = 3.6, 1.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.74 – 7.72 (m, 1H), 7.72 – 7.69 (m, 2H), 7.41 – 7.34 (m, 2H), 7.20 (dd,  $J = 5.0, 3.8$  Hz, 1H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  159.7, 153.9, 135.4, 134.5, 133.8, 131.8, 128.3, 122.9, 118.3, 109.9.

IR ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3112, 2227, 1737, 1503, 1408, 1257, 731, 542.

HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_8\text{NO}_2\text{S}^+$  ( $\text{M}+\text{H}$ ) $^+$  230.0270, found 230.0273.

### (3ar) 4-cyanophenyl thiophene-3-carboxylate (CAS: 1240742-51-1)



4-cyanophenyl thiophene-3-carboxylate

Chemical Formula:  $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_7\text{NO}_2\text{S}$

Exact Mass: 229.0197

Molecular Weight: 229.2530

Following the General Procedure B1 with 4-bromobenzonitrile (109.2 mg, 0.6 mmol), 3-thiophenecarboxylic acid (38.4 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3ar** was obtained as white solid (35.8 mg, 52%).

Following the General Procedure B3 with 4-iodinebenzonitrile (103.1 mg, 0.45 mmol), 3-thiophenecarboxylic acid (38.4 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3ar** was obtained as white solid (64.0 mg, 93%).

This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA=10:1).

Melting point ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ): 117.0-118.8.

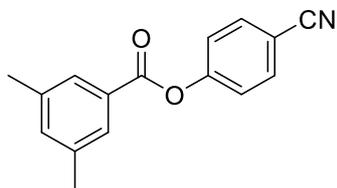
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.33 (dd,  $J = 3.2, 1.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.76 – 7.70 (m, 2H), 7.65 (dd,  $J = 5.2, 1.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.41 (dd,  $J = 5.2, 3.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.38 – 7.32 (m, 2H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  160.1, 154.0, 134.9, 133.7, 131.9, 128.2, 126.8, 122.9, 118.3, 109.8.

IR ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3102, 2229, 1746, 1508, 1481, 925, 736.

HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_8\text{NO}_2\text{S}^+$  ( $\text{M}+\text{H}$ ) $^+$  230.0270, found 230.0275.

**(3as) 4-cyanophenyl 3,5-dimethylbenzoate (CAS: 849610-41-9)<sup>1</sup>**



4-cyanophenyl 3,5-dimethylbenzoate

Chemical Formula:  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{13}\text{NO}_2$

Exact Mass: 251.0946

Molecular Weight: 251.2850

Following the General Procedure B1 with 4-bromobenzonitrile (109.2 mg, 0.6 mmol), 3,5-dimethylbenzoic acid (45.1 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3as** was obtained as white solid (22.4 mg, 30%).

Following the General Procedure B3 with 4-iodobenzonitrile (103.1 mg, 0.45 mmol), 3,5-dimethylbenzoic acid (45.1 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3as** was obtained as white solid (56.7 mg, 75%).

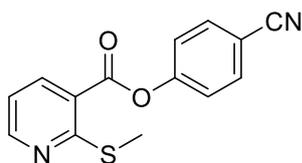
This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA =10:1).

Melting point ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ): 63.9-65.5.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.80 (s, 2H), 7.77 – 7.71 (m, 2H), 7.38 – 7.33 (m, 2H), 7.30 (s, 1H), 2.41 (s, 6H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  164.7, 154.4, 138.5, 135.9, 133.7, 128.5, 128.0, 123.0, 118.3, 109.7, 21.2.

**(3at) 4-cyanophenyl 2-(methylthio)nicotinate (CAS: 1061854-05-4)**



4-cyanophenyl 2-(methylthio)nicotinate

Chemical Formula:  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{10}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{S}$

Exact Mass: 270.0463

Molecular Weight: 270.3060

Following the General Procedure B1 with 4-bromobenzonitrile (109.2 mg, 0.6 mmol), 2-(methylthio)nicotinic acid (50.8 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3at** was obtained as white solid (24.1 mg, 30%).

Following the General Procedure B3 with 4-iodobenzonitrile (103.1 mg, 0.45 mmol), 2-(methylthio)nicotinic acid (50.8 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3at** was obtained as white solid (41.2 mg, 51%).

This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA =10:1).

Melting point ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ): 167.9-169.5.

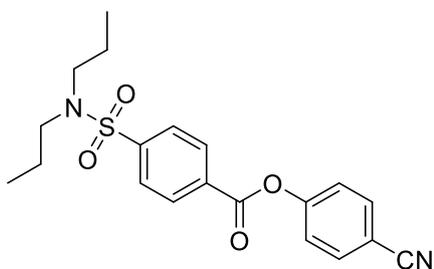
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.68 (dd,  $J$  = 4.8, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 8.41 (dd,  $J$  = 7.8, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.78 – 7.71 (m, 2H), 7.42 – 7.34 (m, 2H), 7.15 (dd,  $J$  = 8.0, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 2.57 (s, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  164.3, 162.9, 153.8, 153.0, 139.4, 133.8, 122.9, 121.3, 118.2, 118.1, 110.1, 14.0.

IR ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3093, 2924, 2227, 1738, 1559, 1229, 1032, 749.

HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{11}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{S}^+$  ( $\text{M}+\text{H}$ ) $^+$  271.0536, found 271.0540.

**(3au) 4-cyanophenyl 4-(*N,N*-dipropylsulfamoyl)benzoate (CAS: 2351103-21-2)<sup>1</sup>**



4-cyanophenyl 4-(*N,N*-dipropylsulfamoyl)benzoate

Chemical Formula:  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4\text{S}$

Exact Mass: 386.1300

Molecular Weight: 386.4660

Following the General Procedure B1 with 4-bromobenzonitrile (109.2 mg, 0.6 mmol), probenecid (85.6 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3au** was obtained as white solid (58.5 mg, 51%).

Following the General Procedure B3 with 4-iodobenzonitrile (103.1 mg, 0.45 mmol), probenecid (85.6 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3au** was obtained as white solid (67.6 mg, 58%).

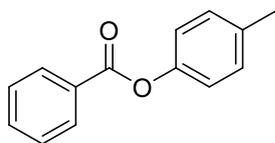
This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA =10:1).

Melting point ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ): 102.7-104.0.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.34 – 8.26 (m, 2H), 8.00 – 7.92 (m, 2H), 7.79 – 7.72 (m, 2H), 7.42 – 7.34 (m, 2H), 3.18 – 3.08 (m, 4H), 1.63 – 1.49 (m, 4H), 0.87 (t,  $J$  = 7.4 Hz, 6H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  163.1, 153.9, 145.5, 133.9, 131.9, 130.9, 127.3, 122.8, 118.1, 110.3, 49.9, 21.9, 11.2.

**(3ba) p-tolyl benzoate (CAS: 614-34-6)**<sup>1</sup>



p-tolyl benzoate

Chemical Formula:  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_2$

Exact Mass: 212.0837

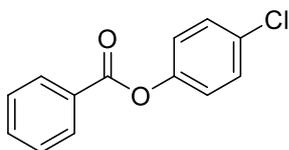
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Following the General Procedure B2 with 4-iodotoluene (98.1 mg, 0.45 mmol), benzoic acid (36.6 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3ba** was obtained as white solid (33.6 mg, 53%). This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 50:1). Melting point ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ): 70.6-72.1.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.25 – 8.20 (m, 2H), 7.64 (t,  $J$  = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.52 (t,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.24 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.12 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 2.39 (s, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  165.4, 148.8, 135.5, 133.5, 130.2, 130.0, 129.7, 128.6, 121.4, 20.9.

**(3ca) 4-chlorophenyl benzoate (CAS: 2005-08-5)**<sup>4</sup>



4-chlorophenyl benzoate

Chemical Formula:  $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_9\text{ClO}_2$

Exact Mass: 232.0291

Molecular Weight: 232.6630

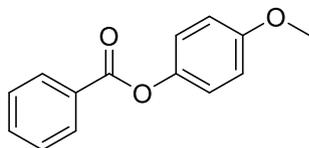
Following the General Procedure B2 with 1-chloro-4-iodobenzene (107.3 mg, 0.45 mmol), benzoic acid (36.6 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3ca** was obtained as white solid (38.1 mg, 55%).

This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 40:1). Melting point ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ): 82.4-83.8.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.23 – 8.16 (m, 2H), 7.69 – 7.63 (m, 1H), 7.56 – 7.48 (m, 2H), 7.43 – 7.36 (m, 2H), 7.21 – 7.14 (m, 2H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  165.0, 149.5, 133.8, 131.3, 130.2, 129.6, 129.2, 128.7, 123.1.

**(3da) 4-methoxyphenyl benzoate (CAS: 1523-19-9)**<sup>4</sup>



4-methoxyphenyl benzoate

Chemical Formula:  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_3$

Exact Mass: 228.0786

Molecular Weight: 228.2470

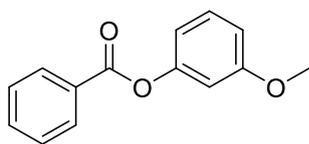
Following the General Procedure B2 with 1-iodo-4-methoxybenzene (105.3 mg, 0.45 mmol), benzoic acid (36.6 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3da** was obtained as white solid (26.1 mg, 40%).

This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 20:1). Melting point ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ): 71.6-73.2.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.21 (dd,  $J$  = 8.4, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 7.67 – 7.60 (m, 1H), 7.55 – 7.48 (m, 2H), 7.18 – 7.11 (m, 2H), 6.98 – 6.92 (m, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  165.6, 157.4, 144.5, 133.5, 130.2, 129.7, 128.6, 122.5, 114.6, 55.6.

**(3ea) 3-methoxyphenyl benzoate (CAS: 5554-24-5)**<sup>5</sup>



3-methoxyphenyl benzoate

Chemical Formula:  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_3$

Exact Mass: 228.0786

Molecular Weight: 228.2470

Following the General Procedure B2 with 1-iodo-3-methoxybenzene (105.3 mg, 0.45 mmol), benzoic acid (36.6 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3ea** was obtained as colorless oil (39.4 mg, 58%).

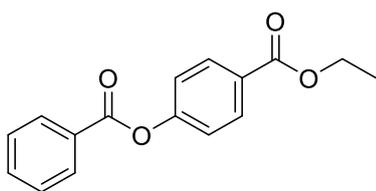
This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 40:1).

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.25 – 8.19 (m, 2H), 7.68 – 7.62 (m, 1H), 7.56 – 7.49 (m, 2H), 7.34 (t,  $J$  = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 6.87 – 6.84 (m, 1H), 6.84 – 6.82 (m, 1H), 6.80 (t,  $J$  = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 3.83 (s, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  165.1, 160.6, 152.0, 133.6, 130.2, 129.9, 129.6, 128.6,

113.9, 111.9, 107.7, 55.5.

**(3fa) ethyl 4-(benzoyloxy)benzoate (CAS: 7471-31-0)**<sup>1</sup>



ethyl 4-(benzoyloxy)benzoate

Chemical Formula: C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>4</sub>

Exact Mass: 270.0892

Molecular Weight: 270.2840

Following the General Procedure B1 with ethyl 4-bromobenzoate (137.8 mg, 0.6 mmol), benzoic acid (36.6 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3aa** was obtained as colorless solid (41.4 mg, 51%).

Following the General Procedure B1 with ethyl 4-iodobenzoate (124.2 mg, 0.45 mmol), benzoic acid (36.6 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3fa** was obtained as white solid (66.0 mg, 81%).

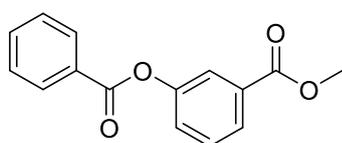
This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 20:1).

Melting point (°C): 85.1–86.5.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.23 – 8.18 (m, 2H), 8.16 – 8.10 (m, 2H), 7.69 – 7.62 (m, 1H), 7.55 – 7.47 (m, 2H), 7.34 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 4.39 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.40 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 165.9, 164.7, 154.6, 133.9, 131.2, 130.3, 129.2, 128.7, 128.2, 121.7, 61.1, 14.4.

### (3ga) methyl 3-(benzoyloxy)benzoate (CAS: 108011-99-0)



methyl 3-(benzoyloxy)benzoate

Chemical Formula: C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O<sub>4</sub>

Exact Mass: 256.0736

Molecular Weight: 256.2570

Following the General Procedure B3 with methyl 3-iodobenzoate (118.1 mg, 0.45 mmol), benzoic acid (36.6 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3ga** was obtained as white solid (45.8 mg, 60%).

This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 20:1).

Melting point (°C): 75.9–77.5.

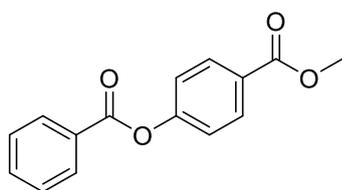
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.21 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 1.0 Hz, 2H), 7.97 (dt, *J* = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.93 – 7.88 (m, 1H), 7.70 – 7.62 (m, 1H), 7.57 – 7.48 (m, 3H), 7.47 – 7.40 (m, 1H), 3.93 (s, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 166.2, 165.0, 150.9, 133.8, 131.8, 130.2, 129.5, 129.2, 128.7, 127.1, 126.5, 123.0, 52.3.

IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3093, 2952, 1728, 1436, 1249, 1060, 703.

HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>13</sub>O<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> (M+H)<sup>+</sup> 257.0808, found 257.0812.

### (3ha) methyl 4-(benzoyloxy)benzoate (CAS: 75915-29-6)<sup>1</sup>



methyl 4-(benzoyloxy)benzoate

Chemical Formula: C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O<sub>4</sub>

Exact Mass: 256.0736

Molecular Weight: 256.2570

Following the General Procedure B2 with methyl 4-bromobenzoate (129.0 mg, 0.6 mmol), benzoic acid (36.6 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3ha** was obtained as colorless solid (30.9 mg, 40%).

Following the General Procedure B1 with methyl 4-iodobenzoate (118.1 mg, 0.45 mmol), benzoic acid (36.6 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3ha** was obtained as white solid (38.7 mg, 50%).

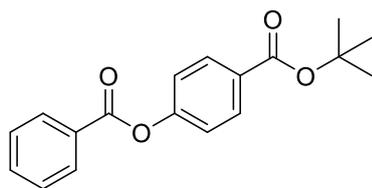
This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 20:1).

Melting point (°C): 131.0–131.9.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.24 – 8.18 (m, 2H), 8.16 – 8.09 (m, 2H), 7.70 – 7.62 (m, 1H), 7.52 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.35 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 3.93 (s, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 166.4, 164.7, 154.6, 133.9, 131.3, 130.3, 129.1, 128.7, 127.8, 121.8, 52.2.

### (3ia) tert-butyl 4-(benzoyloxy)benzoate



tert-butyl 4-(benzoyloxy)benzoate  
Chemical Formula: C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>18</sub>O<sub>4</sub>  
Exact Mass: 298.1205  
Molecular Weight: 298.3380

Following the General Procedure B3 with tert-butyl-4-bromobenzoate (154.3 mg, 0.6 mmol), benzoic acid (36.6 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3ia** was obtained as white solid (67.8 mg, 76%).

This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 20:1).

Melting point (°C): 95.4-97.9.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.23 – 8.18 (m, 2H), 8.11 – 8.04 (m, 2H), 7.67 – 7.61 (m, 1H), 7.51 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.30 – 7.25 (m, 2H), 1.60 (s, 9H).

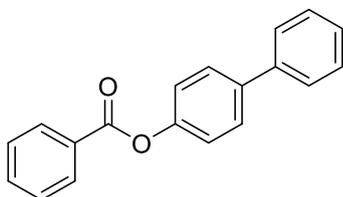
<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 165.0, 164.7, 154.3, 133.8, 131.1, 130.3, 129.7,

129.2, 128.7, 121.6, 81.2, 28.2.

IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2981, 1738, 1597, 1164, 1060, 683.

HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>19</sub>O<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> (M+H)<sup>+</sup> 299.1278, found 299.1277.

### (3ja) [1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl benzoate (CAS: 2170-13-0) <sup>6</sup>



[1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl benzoate  
Chemical Formula: C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>2</sub>  
Exact Mass: 274.0994  
Molecular Weight: 274.3190

Following the General Procedure B2 with 4-bromobiphenyl (139.9 mg, 0.6 mmol), benzoic acid (36.6 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3ja** was obtained as white solid (32.6 mg, 40%).

Following the General Procedure B2 with 4-iodobiphenyl (126.1 mg, 0.45 mmol), benzoic acid (36.6 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3ja** was obtained as white solid (57.2 mg, 70%).

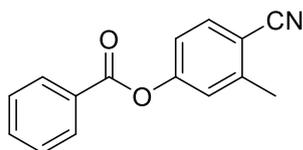
This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 20:1).

Melting point (°C): 146.5-147.9.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.28 – 8.23 (m, 2H), 7.69 – 7.64 (m, 3H), 7.64 – 7.58 (m, 2H), 7.58 – 7.51 (m, 2H), 7.50 – 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.41 – 7.35 (m, 1H), 7.34 – 7.29 (m, 2H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 165.3, 150.4, 140.4, 139.1, 133.7, 130.2, 129.6, 128.8, 128.6, 128.3, 127.4, 127.2, 122.0.

### (3ka) 4-cyano-3-methylphenyl benzoate



4-cyano-3-methylphenyl benzoate  
Chemical Formula: C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>11</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>  
Exact Mass: 237.0790  
Molecular Weight: 237.2580

Following the General Procedure B3 with 4-bromo-2-methylbenzonitrile (177.6 mg, 0.6 mmol), benzoic acid (36.6 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3ka** was obtained as white solid (40.4 mg, 57%).

This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 20:1).

Melting point (°C): 79.3-80.6.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.23 – 8.15 (m, 2H), 7.70 – 7.64 (m, 2H), 7.57 – 7.50 (m, 2H), 7.22 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 2.58 (s,

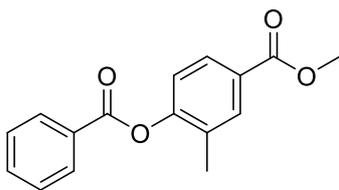
3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 164.5, 154.1, 144.2, 134.1, 133.9, 130.3, 128.8, 123.8, 120.1, 117.6, 110.3, 20.6.

IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3093, 2227, 1747, 1229, 1060, 712, 590.

HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>12</sub>NO<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> (M+H)<sup>+</sup> 238.0863, found 238.0862.

**(3la) methyl 4-(benzoyloxy)-3-methylbenzoate**



methyl 4-(benzoyloxy)-3-methylbenzoate

Chemical Formula: C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>4</sub>

Exact Mass: 270.0892

Molecular Weight: 270.2840

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 166.3, 164.7, 149.4, 136.1, 133.8, 131.2, 130.2, 129.4, 129.1, 128.7, 127.3, 123.4, 52.2, 16.6.

IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3074, 2999, 2951, 1728, 1446, 1249, 1098, 712.

HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>15</sub>O<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> (M+H)<sup>+</sup> 271.0965, found 271.0970.

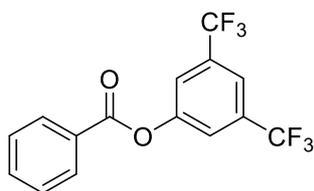
Following the General Procedure B2 with methyl 3-iodo-4-methylbenzoate (124.2 mg, 0.45 mmol), benzoic acid (36.6 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3la** was obtained as white solid (38.6 mg, 48%).

This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 20:1).

Melting point (°C): 42.4-45.3.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.26 – 8.19 (m, 2H), 7.88 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.83 (d, *J* = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.69 – 7.63 (m, 1H), 7.56 – 7.51 (m, 2H), 7.35 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 3.90 (s, 3H), 2.29 (s, 3H).

**(3ma) 3,5-bis(trifluoromethyl)phenyl benzoate (CAS: 2076460-93-8) <sup>1</sup>**



3,5-bis(trifluoromethyl)phenyl benzoate

Chemical Formula: C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>8</sub>F<sub>6</sub>O<sub>2</sub>

Exact Mass: 334.0428

Molecular Weight: 334.2174

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.25 – 8.17 (m, 2H), 7.81 (s, 1H), 7.75 (s, 2H), 7.69 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 164.3, 151.5, 134.4, 133.0 (q, *J* = 34 Hz), 130.4, 128.8, 128.3, 122.8 (q, *J* = 273 Hz), 123.0 (q, *J* = 3 Hz), 119.8 (m).

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ -62.93.

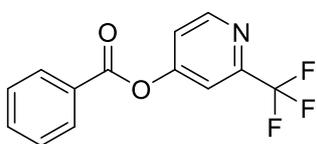
Following the General Procedure B3 with 1,3-bis(trifluoromethyl)-5-bromobenzene (175.8 mg, 0.6 mmol), benzoic acid (36.6 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3ma** was obtained as colorless oil (65.8 mg, 66%).

Following the General Procedure B3 with 3,5-bis(trifluoromethyl)iodobenzene (153.0 mg, 0.45 mmol), benzoic acid (36.6 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3ma** was obtained as white solid (31.7 mg, 32%).

This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 20:1).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.25 – 8.17 (m, 2H), 7.81 (s, 1H), 7.75 (s,

**(3na) 2-(trifluoromethyl)pyridin-4-yl benzoate (CAS: 2076460-92-7) <sup>1</sup>**



2-(trifluoromethyl)pyridin-4-yl benzoate

Chemical Formula: C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>8</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>

Exact Mass: 267.0507

Molecular Weight: 267.2072

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 163.5, 158.8, 151.8, 150.2 (q, *J* = 35 Hz), 134.6, 130.4, 128.9, 128.1, 121.1 (q, *J* = 275 Hz), 119.6, 114.5 (q, *J* = 3 Hz).

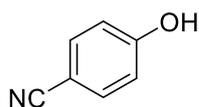
<sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ -68.10.

Following the General Procedure B1 with 2-(trifluoromethyl)-4-bromopyridine (135.6 mg, 0.6 mmol), benzoic acid (36.6 mg, 0.3 mmol), **3na** was obtained as colorless oil (43.9 mg, 55%).

This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 20:1).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.78 (d, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 1H), 8.19 (dt, *J* = 8.0, 1.6 Hz, 2H), 7.74 – 7.67 (m, 1H), 7.66 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.59 – 7.51 (m, 2H), 7.47 (dd, *J* = 5.2, 2.0 Hz, 1H).

**(4a) 4-hydroxybenzonnitrile (CAS: 767-00-0)** <sup>7</sup>



4-hydroxybenzonnitrile

Chemical Formula: C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>5</sub>NO

Exact Mass: 119.0371

Molecular Weight: 119.1230

Following the General Procedure C1 with 4-chlorobenzonnitrile (68.8 mg, 0.5 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (0.4 mL), **4a** was obtained as white solid (28.9 mg, 49%).

Following the General Procedure C2 with 4-chlorobenzonnitrile (68.8 mg, 0.5 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (0.4 mL), **4a** was obtained as white solid (42.3 mg, 71%).

Following the General Procedure C1 with 4-bromobenzonnitrile (91.0 mg, 0.5 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (0.4 mL), **4a** was obtained as white solid (47.4 mg, 80%).

Following the General Procedure C1 with 4-iodobenzonnitrile (114.5 mg, 0.5 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (0.4 mL), **4a** was obtained as white solid (48.6 mg, 82%).

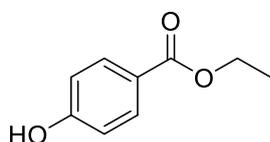
This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 5:1).

Melting point (°C): 100.7-103.2.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.67 – 7.51 (m, 2H), 7.02 – 6.87 (m, 2H), 6.41 (s, 1H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 159.9, 134.3, 119.2, 116.4, 103.5.

**(4b) ethyl 4-hydroxybenzoate (CAS: 120-47-8)** <sup>7</sup>



ethyl 4-hydroxybenzoate

Chemical Formula: C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>10</sub>O<sub>3</sub>

Exact Mass: 166.0630

Molecular Weight: 166.1760

Following the General Procedure C1 with ethyl-4-bromobenzoate (114.5 mg, 0.5 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (0.4 mL), **4b** was obtained as white solid (64.6 mg, 78%).

Following the General Procedure C1 with ethyl-4-iodobenzoate (138.0 mg, 0.5 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (0.4 mL), **4b** was obtained as white solid (69.7 mg, 84%).

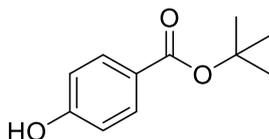
This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 5:1).

Melting point (°C): 116.6-117.7.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.98 – 7.93 (m, 2H), 6.94 – 6.85 (m, 3H), 4.36 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.38 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 167.1, 160.4, 131.9, 122.5, 115.3, 61.0, 14.3.

**(4c) tert-butyl 4-hydroxybenzoate (CAS: 25804-49-3)** <sup>8</sup>



tert-butyl 4-hydroxybenzoate

Chemical Formula: C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>3</sub>

Exact Mass: 194.0943

Molecular Weight: 194.2300

Following the General Procedure C1 with tert-butyl-4-bromobenzoate (128.6 mg, 0.5 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (0.4 mL), **4c** was obtained as white solid (69.5 mg, 72%).

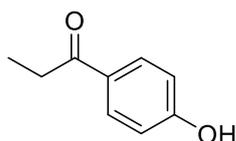
This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 5:1).

Melting point (°C): 114.7-115.9.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.95 – 7.85 (m, 2H), 7.04 (s, 1H), 6.91 – 6.83 (m, 2H), 1.59 (s, 9H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 166.6, 160.3, 131.8, 123.8, 115.2, 81.2, 28.3.

**(4d) 1-(4-hydroxyphenyl)propan-1-one (CAS: 70-70-2)** <sup>9</sup>



1-(4-hydroxyphenyl)propan-1-one

Chemical Formula: C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>10</sub>O<sub>2</sub>

Exact Mass: 150.0681

Molecular Weight: 150.1770

Following the General Procedure C1 with 4'-bromopropiophenone (106.5 mg, 0.5 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (0.4 mL), **4d** was obtained as white solid (60.1 mg, 80%).

This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 5:1).

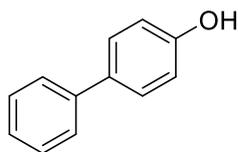
Melting point (°C): 147.0-148.6.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.95 – 7.89 (m, 2H), 6.92 – 6.85 (m, 2H), 5.77 (s, 1H), 2.96 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.22 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ 199.03, 162.30, 130.77, 128.70, 115.62, 31.06,

8.86.

**(4e) [1,1'-biphenyl]-4-ol (CAS: 92-69-3)** <sup>10</sup>



[1,1'-biphenyl]-4-ol

Chemical Formula: C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>10</sub>O

Exact Mass: 170.0732

Molecular Weight: 170.2110

Following the General Procedure C1 with 4-bromobiphenyl (116.6 mg, 0.5 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (0.4 mL), **4e** was obtained as white solid (36.5 mg, 43%).

Following the General Procedure C2 with 4-bromobiphenyl (116.6 mg, 0.5 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (0.4 mL), **4e** was obtained as white solid (53.2 mg, 63%).

Following the General Procedure C1 with 4-iodobiphenyl (140.1 mg, 0.5 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (0.4 mL), **4e** was obtained as white solid (51.0 mg, 60%).

Following the General Procedure C2 with 4-iodobiphenyl (140.1 mg, 0.5 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (0.4 mL), **4e** was obtained as white solid (69.4 mg, 82%).

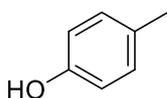
This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 5:1).

Melting point (°C): 162.4-163.1.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.60 – 7.52 (m, 2H), 7.52 – 7.45 (m, 2H), 7.42 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.31 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.96 – 6.87 (m, 2H), 4.80 (s, 1H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 155.1, 140.8, 134.1, 128.7, 128.4, 126.7, 115.7.

**(4f) p-cresol (CAS: 106-44-5)** <sup>7</sup>



p-cresol

Chemical Formula: C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>8</sub>O

Exact Mass: 108.0575

Molecular Weight: 108.1400

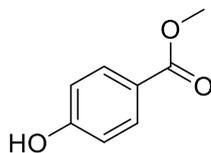
Following the General Procedure C2 with 4-bromotoluene (85.5 mg, 0.5 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (0.4 mL), **4f** was obtained as yellow oil (35.6 mg, 65%).

This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 5:1).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.08 – 7.02 (m, 2H), 6.78 – 6.73 (m, 2H), 5.23 (s, 1H), 2.29 (s, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 153.3, 130.1, 130.0, 115.1, 20.5.

**(4g) methyl 4-hydroxybenzoate (CAS: 99-76-3)** <sup>7</sup>



methyl 4-hydroxybenzoate

Chemical Formula: C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>8</sub>O<sub>3</sub>

Exact Mass: 152.0473

Molecular Weight: 152.1490

Following the General Procedure C2 with methyl-4-chlorobenzoate (85.3 mg, 0.5 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (0.4 mL), **4g** was obtained as white solid (27.3 mg, 36%).

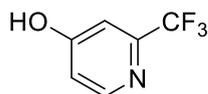
This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 5:1).

Melting point (°C): 121.8-123.9.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.00 – 7.89 (m, 2H), 6.93 – 6.85 (m, 2H), 6.52 (s, 1H), 3.90 (s, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 167.4, 160.3, 132.0, 122.3, 115.3, 52.1.

**(4h) 2-(trifluoromethyl)pyridin-4-ol (CAS: 170886-13-2)**



2-(trifluoromethyl)pyridin-4-ol

Chemical Formula: C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NO

Exact Mass: 163.0245

Molecular Weight: 163.0992

Following the General Procedure C2 with 2-(trifluoromethyl)-4-bromopyridine (113.0 mg, 0.5 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (0.4 mL), **4h** was obtained as white solid (68.1 mg, 84%).

This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 5:1).

Melting point (°C): 121.1-124.1.  
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 11.40 (s, 1H), 8.20 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.97 (dd, *J* = 6.0, 2.4 Hz, 1H).

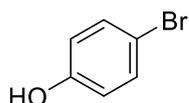
<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 170.2, 147.5, 146.5 (q, *J* = 35 Hz), 120.9 (d, *J* = 275 Hz), 115.6, 111.4 (d, *J* = 3 Hz).

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ -67.60.

IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2772, 1625, 1587, 1324, 1135, 1023, 853.

HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NO<sup>+</sup> (M+H)<sup>+</sup> 164.0318, found 164.0319.

**(4i) 4-bromophenol (CAS: 106-41-2)** <sup>7</sup>



4-bromophenol

Chemical Formula: C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>BrO

Exact Mass: 171.9524

Molecular Weight: 173.0090

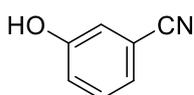
Following the General Procedure C2 with 1,4-dibromobenzene (118.0 mg, 0.5 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (0.4 mL), **4i** was obtained as brown solid (31.7 mg, 37%).

This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 5:1).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.38 – 7.29 (m, 2H), 6.77 – 6.68 (m, 2H), 5.09 (s, 1H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 154.7, 132.5, 117.2, 112.9.

**(4j) 3-hydroxybenzonitrile (CAS: 873-62-1)** <sup>7</sup>



3-hydroxybenzonitrile

Chemical Formula: C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>5</sub>NO

Exact Mass: 119.0371

Molecular Weight: 119.1230

Following the General Procedure C2 with 3,5-dibromobenzonitrile (130.5 mg, 0.5 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>O (0.4 mL), **4h** was obtained as white solid (30.0 mg, 50%).

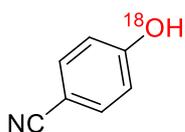
This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 1:1).

Melting point (°C): 57.0-59.5.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.33 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.21 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.14 (s, 1H), 7.11 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.60 (s, 1H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 156.4, 130.6, 124.4, 120.8, 118.8, 118.7, 112.7.

**(4k) 4-(hydroxy)benzonitrile**



4-(hydroxy)benzonitrile

Chemical Formula: C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>5</sub>N<sup>18</sup>O

Exact Mass: 121.0414

Molecular Weight: 121.1232

Following the General Procedure C3 with 4-bromobenzonitrile (91.0 mg, 0.5 mmol), H<sub>2</sub><sup>18</sup>O (0.4 mL), **4k** was obtained as white solid (54.6 mg, 90%).

This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 5:1).

Melting point (°C): 99.2-103.4.

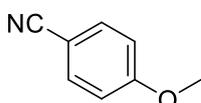
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.55 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.94 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.86 (s, 1H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 160.35, 134.37, 119.30, 116.52, 102.91.

IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3281, 2218, 1605, 1503, 834, 542.

HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>6</sub>N<sup>18</sup>O<sup>+</sup> (M+H)<sup>+</sup> 122.0486, found 122.0485.

**(5a) 4-methoxybenzonitrile (CAS: 874-90-8)** <sup>11</sup>



4-methoxybenzonitrile

Chemical Formula: C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>7</sub>NO

Exact Mass: 133.0528

Molecular Weight: 133.1500

Following the General Procedure D with 4-bromobenzonitrile (54.6 mg, 0.3 mmol), MeOH (0.5 mL), **5a** was obtained as white solid (30.0 mg, 75%).

Following the General Procedure D with 4-iodobenzonitrile (68.8 mg, 0.3 mmol), MeOH (0.5 mL), **5a** was obtained as white solid (36.9 mg, 92%).

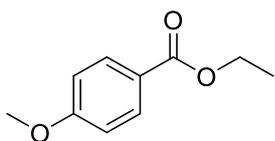
This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 10:1).

Melting point (°C): 54.2-56.0.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.60 – 7.55 (m, 2H), 6.97 – 6.92 (m, 2H), 3.85 (s, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 162.9, 134.0, 119.3, 114.8, 104.0, 55.6.

**(5b) ethyl 4-methoxybenzoate (CAS: 94-30-4)** <sup>11</sup>



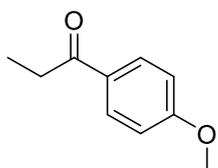
ethyl 4-methoxybenzoate  
Chemical Formula: C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O<sub>3</sub>  
Exact Mass: 180.0786  
Molecular Weight: 180.2030

Following the General Procedure D with ethyl-4-bromobenzoate (68.7 mg, 0.3 mmol), MeOH (0.5 mL), **5b** was obtained as colorless oil (36.3 mg, 67%).

Following the General Procedure D with ethyl-4-iodobenzoate (82.8 mg, 0.3 mmol), MeOH (0.5 mL), **5b** was obtained as colorless oil (52.2 mg, 97%).

This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 10:1).  
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.03 – 7.97 (m, 2H), 6.95 – 6.87 (m, 2H), 4.34 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 1.37 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H).  
<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 166.4, 163.3, 131.5, 123.0, 113.5, 60.6, 55.4, 14.4.

**(5c) 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)propan-1-one (CAS: 121-97-1)** <sup>12</sup>



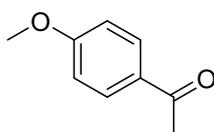
1-(4-methoxyphenyl)propan-1-one  
Chemical Formula: C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O<sub>2</sub>  
Exact Mass: 164.0837  
Molecular Weight: 164.2040

Following the General Procedure D with 4'-bromopropiophenone (63.9 mg, 0.3 mmol), MeOH (0.5 mL), **5c** was obtained as colorless oil (36.0 mg, 73%).

This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 20:1).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.96 – 7.90 (m, 2H), 6.94 – 6.88 (m, 2H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 2.93 (q, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 1.20 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H).  
<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 199.5, 163.3, 130.2, 130.0, 113.7, 55.4, 31.4, 8.4.

**(5d) 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)ethan-1-one (CAS: 100-06-1)** <sup>11</sup>



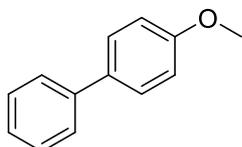
1-(4-methoxyphenyl)ethan-1-one  
Chemical Formula: C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>10</sub>O<sub>2</sub>  
Exact Mass: 150.0681  
Molecular Weight: 150.1770

Following the General Procedure D with 4'-iodoacetophenone (73.8 mg, 0.3 mmol), MeOH (0.5 mL), **5d** was obtained as white solid (41.1 mg, 91%).

This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 20:1).

Melting point (°C): 32.0-34.4.  
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.96 – 7.89 (m, 2H), 6.95 – 6.87 (m, 2H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 2.54 (s, 3H).  
<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 196.8, 163.5, 130.6, 130.3, 113.7, 55.5, 26.3.

**(5e) 4-methoxy-1,1'-biphenyl (CAS: 613-37-6)** <sup>11</sup>



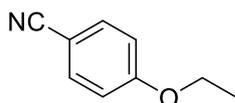
4-methoxy-1,1'-biphenyl  
Chemical Formula: C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O  
Exact Mass: 184.0888  
Molecular Weight: 184.2380

Following the General Procedure D with 4-bromobiphenyl (69.9 mg, 0.3 mmol), MeOH (0.5 mL), **5e** was obtained as white solid (28.0 mg, 51%).

Following the General Procedure D with 4-iodobiphenyl (84.0 mg, 0.3 mmol), MeOH (0.5 mL), **5e** was obtained as white solid (29.1 mg, 53%).

This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 10:1).  
Melting point (°C): 84.1-87.4.  
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.62 – 7.53 (m, 4H), 7.48 – 7.41 (m, 2H), 7.37 – 7.30 (m, 1H), 7.05 – 6.98 (m, 2H), 3.87 (s, 3H).  
<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 159.2, 140.9, 133.8, 128.8, 128.2, 126.8, 126.7, 114.3, 55.4.

**(5f) 4-ethoxybenzonitrile (CAS: 25117-74-2)** <sup>11</sup>



4-ethoxybenzonitrile

Chemical Formula: C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>9</sub>NO

Exact Mass: 147.0684

Molecular Weight: 147.1770

Following the General Procedure D with 4-bromobenzonitrile (54.6 mg, 0.3 mmol), EtOH (0.5 mL), **5f** was obtained as white solid (29.0 mg, 66%).

Following the General Procedure D with 4-iodobenzonitrile (68.8 mg, 0.3 mmol), EtOH (0.5 mL), **5f** was obtained as white solid (26.6 mg, 60%).

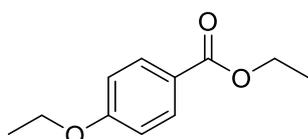
This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 10:1).

Melting point (°C): 57.4-59.4.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.59 – 7.52 (m, 2H), 6.95 – 6.88 (m, 2H), 4.07 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 1.43 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 162.3, 134.0, 119.3, 115.2, 103.7, 63.9, 14.6.

**(5g) ethyl 4-ethoxybenzoate (CAS: 23676-09-7)** <sup>13</sup>



ethyl 4-ethoxybenzoate

Chemical Formula: C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>3</sub>

Exact Mass: 194.0943

Molecular Weight: 194.2300

Following the General Procedure D with ethyl 4-bromobenzoate (68.7 mg, 0.3 mmol), EtOH (0.5 mL), **5g** was obtained as colorless oil (33.9 mg, 58%).

Following the General Procedure D with ethyl-4-iodobenzoate (82.8 mg, 0.3 mmol), EtOH (0.5 mL), **5g** was obtained as colorless oil (46.1 mg, 79%).

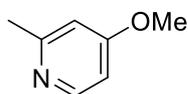
This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 20:1).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.02 – 7.95 (m, 2H), 6.94 – 6.86 (m, 2H), 4.34 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 4.08 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.43 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 1.37 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 166.5, 162.7, 131.5, 122.8, 114.0, 63.7, 60.6, 14.7,

14.4.

**(5h) 4-methoxy-2-methylpyridine (CAS: 24103-75-1)** <sup>14</sup>



4-methoxy-2-methylpyridine

Chemical Formula: C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>9</sub>NO

Exact Mass: 123.0684

Molecular Weight: 123.1550

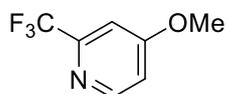
Following the General Procedure D with 4-bromo-2-methylpyridine (51.6 mg, 0.3 mmol), MeOH (0.5 mL), **5h** was obtained as white solid (19.3 mg, 52%).

This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 5:1).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.33 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 6.68 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.65 (dd, *J* = 5.8, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 2.51 (s, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 166.0, 159.9, 150.2, 109.0, 107.2, 55.0, 24.5.

**(5i) 4-methoxy-2-(trifluoromethyl)pyridine (CAS: 1065103-97-0)** <sup>15</sup>



4-methoxy-2-(trifluoromethyl)pyridine

Chemical Formula: C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>6</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NO

Exact Mass: 177.0401

Molecular Weight: 177.1262

Following the General Procedure D with 2-(trifluoromethyl)-4-bromopyridine (67.8 mg, 0.3 mmol), MeOH (0.5 mL), **5i** was obtained as colorless oil (32.3 mg, 61%).

This target product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (PE: EA = 5:1).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.54 (d, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.96 (dd, *J* = 5.6, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 3.91 (s, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 166.6, 151.4, 149.8 (q, *J* = 34 Hz), 121.4 (q, *J* = 275 Hz), 111.8, 107.4 (q, *J* = 3 Hz), 55.6.

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ -68.31.

## 9 X-ray diffraction data of PC1 (CCDC: 1978990)

**Table S11. Crystal data and structure refinement for PC1**

Identification code	11_a
Crystal data	
Chemical formula	C <sub>30</sub> H <sub>25</sub> BN <sub>2</sub> O
$M_r$	440.33
Crystal system, space group	Monoclinic, <i>P</i> 2 <sub>1</sub> / <i>c</i>
Temperature (K)	173
$a, b, c$ (Å)	17.6430 (5), 8.5349 (3), 15.3612 (5)
$\beta$ (°)	95.447 (1)
$V$ (Å <sup>3</sup> )	2302.66 (13)
$Z$	4
Radiation type	Mo $K\alpha$
$\mu$ (mm <sup>-1</sup> )	0.08
Crystal size (mm)	0.27 × 0.25 × 0.22
Data collection	
Diffractometer	Bruker D8
Venture	
Absorption correction	Multi-scan <i>SADABS</i>
$T_{\min}, T_{\max}$	0.664, 0.745
No. of measured, independent and observed [ $I > 2\sigma(I)$ ] reflections	27450, 4885, 3976
$R_{\text{int}}$	0.060
$(\sin \theta/\lambda)_{\text{max}}$ (Å <sup>-1</sup> )	0.633
Refinement	
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)], wR(F^2), S$	0.043, 0.102, 1.06
No. of reflections	4885
No. of parameters	307
H-atom treatment	H-atom parameters constrained
$\Delta\rho_{\text{max}}, \Delta\rho_{\text{min}}$ (e Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.23, -0.20

**Table S12. Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2$ )**

	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$
O1	0.17159 (6)	0.98532 (12)	0.34190 (8)	0.0441 (3)
N1	0.12901 (6)	0.45827 (13)	0.36799 (7)	0.0258 (2)
B1	0.20358 (8)	0.54879 (17)	0.33900 (10)	0.0245 (3)
C1	0.20407 (8)	0.85982 (16)	0.33286 (9)	0.0289 (3)
C2	0.28741 (8)	0.85992 (16)	0.31697 (9)	0.0298 (3)
H2A	0.293181	0.907274	0.259133	0.036*
H2AB	0.305914	0.750500	0.315863	0.036*
N2	0.16713 (6)	0.71959 (13)	0.33525 (7)	0.0253 (2)
C3	0.33608 (8)	0.95140 (18)	0.38763 (9)	0.0337 (3)
H3A	0.312942	1.055820	0.394488	0.040*
H3AB	0.335801	0.895399	0.444042	0.040*
C4	0.41736 (8)	0.97241 (17)	0.36699 (9)	0.0305 (3)
C5	0.47531 (9)	0.88216 (18)	0.40832 (10)	0.0384 (4)
H5	0.463526	0.804957	0.449503	0.046*
C7	0.56816 (9)	1.0139 (2)	0.33092 (11)	0.0443 (4)
H7	0.619522	1.027800	0.318707	0.053*
C6	0.55006 (9)	0.9027 (2)	0.39057 (12)	0.0440 (4)
H6	0.589085	0.839847	0.419614	0.053*
C8	0.51124 (10)	1.1051 (2)	0.28898 (12)	0.0498 (4)
H8	0.523360	1.182300	0.247956	0.060*
C9	0.43636 (9)	1.0839 (2)	0.30684 (11)	0.0420 (4)
H9	0.397428	1.146540	0.277471	0.050*
C10	0.11942 (9)	0.30889 (16)	0.38829 (9)	0.0307 (3)
H10	0.161618	0.239339	0.390924	0.037*
C11	0.04797 (9)	0.25248 (18)	0.40587 (10)	0.0367 (4)
H11	0.042321	0.145795	0.421662	0.044*
C12	-0.01371 (9)	0.35003 (19)	0.40045 (10)	0.0375 (4)
H12	-0.062237	0.310731	0.411564	0.045*
C13	-0.00530 (8)	0.50934 (18)	0.37830 (9)	0.0321 (3)
C14	0.06856 (7)	0.55806 (16)	0.36410 (8)	0.0263 (3)
C15	0.08860 (8)	0.71263 (16)	0.34425 (8)	0.0264 (3)
C16	0.03138 (8)	0.82278 (18)	0.33626 (10)	0.0336 (3)
H16	0.042097	0.928675	0.322834	0.040*
C17	-0.04382 (9)	0.7752 (2)	0.34844 (11)	0.0409 (4)
H17	-0.083184	0.851390	0.341917	0.049*
C18	-0.06264 (9)	0.6255 (2)	0.36908 (11)	0.0407 (4)
H18	-0.113865	0.599510	0.377172	0.049*

C19	0.21792 (7)	0.48326 (15)	0.24361 (9)	0.0245 (3)
C20	0.24159 (8)	0.32789 (16)	0.23284 (9)	0.0297 (3)
H20	0.250253	0.262744	0.282940	0.036*
C21	0.25271 (8)	0.26664 (18)	0.15158 (10)	0.0355 (3)
H21	0.269412	0.161429	0.146833	0.043*
C22	0.23968 (9)	0.3576 (2)	0.07758 (10)	0.0398 (4)
H22	0.247631	0.315835	0.021833	0.048*
C23	0.21491 (9)	0.51006 (19)	0.08528 (10)	0.0390 (4)
H23	0.204851	0.572954	0.034470	0.047*
C24	0.20463 (8)	0.57196 (17)	0.16723 (9)	0.0309 (3)
H24	0.188133	0.677436	0.171309	0.037*
C25	0.27183 (8)	0.53250 (15)	0.41598 (9)	0.0261 (3)
C26	0.26388 (9)	0.59968 (17)	0.49787 (9)	0.0328 (3)
H26	0.216829	0.647412	0.507830	0.039*
C27	0.32229 (10)	0.59879 (19)	0.56472 (10)	0.0412 (4)
H27	0.315724	0.649336	0.618587	0.049*
C28	0.38995 (10)	0.5246 (2)	0.55314 (11)	0.0445 (4)
H28	0.429850	0.522177	0.599219	0.053*
C29	0.39931 (9)	0.4540 (2)	0.47420 (11)	0.0430 (4)
H29	0.445490	0.401055	0.466159	0.052*
C30	0.34137 (8)	0.46007 (18)	0.40627 (10)	0.0343 (3)
H30	0.349389	0.413545	0.351715	0.041*

**Table S13. Atomic displacement parameters (Å<sup>2</sup>)**

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$
O1	0.0398 (6)	0.0215 (5)	0.0714 (8)	0.0051 (5)	0.0068 (6)	-0.0018 (5)
N1	0.0259 (6)	0.0242 (6)	0.0275 (6)	0.0019 (5)	0.0033 (5)	-0.0029 (5)
B1	0.0237 (7)	0.0196 (7)	0.0305 (8)	0.0022 (6)	0.0038 (6)	-0.0010 (6)
C1	0.0334 (8)	0.0224 (7)	0.0307 (7)	0.0025 (6)	0.0022 (6)	-0.0004 (5)
C2	0.0330 (8)	0.0239 (7)	0.0333 (7)	-0.0011 (6)	0.0071 (6)	-0.0003 (6)
N2	0.0252 (6)	0.0206 (5)	0.0302 (6)	0.0030 (4)	0.0034 (5)	-0.0019 (4)
C3	0.0336 (8)	0.0365 (8)	0.0315 (7)	-0.0011 (6)	0.0060 (6)	-0.0029 (6)
C4	0.0321 (7)	0.0295 (7)	0.0302 (7)	-0.0015 (6)	0.0042 (6)	-0.0058 (6)
C5	0.0396 (9)	0.0347 (8)	0.0407 (8)	-0.0003 (7)	0.0030 (7)	0.0056 (7)
C7	0.0309 (8)	0.0506 (10)	0.0523 (10)	-0.0038 (7)	0.0089 (7)	-0.0020 (8)
C6	0.0345 (8)	0.0436 (9)	0.0528 (10)	0.0057 (7)	-0.0011 (7)	0.0044 (8)
C8	0.0411 (9)	0.0538 (11)	0.0559 (11)	-0.0042 (8)	0.0113 (8)	0.0189 (9)
C9	0.0356 (8)	0.0423 (9)	0.0484 (9)	0.0042 (7)	0.0047 (7)	0.0105 (8)
C10	0.0358 (8)	0.0231 (7)	0.0334 (7)	0.0002 (6)	0.0047 (6)	-0.0020 (6)
C11	0.0441 (9)	0.0296 (8)	0.0371 (8)	-0.0082 (7)	0.0083 (7)	-0.0029 (6)

C12	0.0328 (8)	0.0422 (9)	0.0385 (8)	-0.0103 (7)	0.0084 (6)	-0.0061 (7)
C13	0.0261 (7)	0.0396 (8)	0.0307 (7)	-0.0016 (6)	0.0032 (6)	-0.0072 (6)
C14	0.0237 (6)	0.0298 (7)	0.0251 (6)	0.0035 (6)	0.0010 (5)	-0.0041 (5)
C15	0.0257 (7)	0.0280 (7)	0.0251 (6)	0.0034 (6)	0.0005 (5)	-0.0047 (5)
C16	0.0328 (8)	0.0324 (8)	0.0348 (8)	0.0094 (6)	-0.0013 (6)	-0.0028 (6)
C17	0.0293 (8)	0.0477 (10)	0.0448 (9)	0.0152 (7)	-0.0017 (7)	-0.0048 (7)
C18	0.0239 (7)	0.0518 (10)	0.0464 (9)	0.0035 (7)	0.0038 (7)	-0.0073 (8)
C19	0.0182 (6)	0.0258 (7)	0.0294 (7)	-0.0013 (5)	0.0014 (5)	-0.0024 (5)
C20	0.0261 (7)	0.0268 (7)	0.0358 (7)	0.0012 (6)	0.0019 (6)	-0.0040 (6)
C21	0.0294 (8)	0.0320 (8)	0.0460 (9)	-0.0018 (6)	0.0078 (6)	-0.0143 (7)
C22	0.0383 (9)	0.0486 (10)	0.0339 (8)	-0.0122 (7)	0.0105 (7)	-0.0143 (7)
C23	0.0438 (9)	0.0435 (9)	0.0300 (8)	-0.0103 (7)	0.0043 (6)	0.0007 (7)
C24	0.0308 (7)	0.0277 (7)	0.0343 (7)	-0.0040 (6)	0.0031 (6)	-0.0009 (6)
C25	0.0280 (7)	0.0194 (6)	0.0309 (7)	-0.0015 (5)	0.0025 (5)	0.0025 (5)
C26	0.0387 (8)	0.0303 (7)	0.0299 (7)	-0.0015 (6)	0.0050 (6)	0.0019 (6)
C27	0.0554 (10)	0.0419 (9)	0.0256 (7)	-0.0115 (8)	0.0007 (7)	0.0042 (6)
C28	0.0423 (9)	0.0499 (10)	0.0381 (9)	-0.0126 (8)	-0.0122 (7)	0.0142 (7)
C29	0.0296 (8)	0.0481 (10)	0.0495 (10)	0.0031 (7)	-0.0052 (7)	0.0071 (8)
C30	0.0299 (7)	0.0351 (8)	0.0373 (8)	0.0023 (6)	-0.0009 (6)	-0.0011 (6)

**Table S14. Geometric parameters (Å, °)**

O1—C1	1.2287 (17)
N1—C10	1.3271 (18)
N1—C14	1.3618 (17)
N1—B1	1.6240 (18)
B1—N2	1.5921 (17)
B1—C19	1.611 (2)
B1—C25	1.612 (2)
C1—N2	1.3649 (17)
C1—C2	1.5133 (19)
C2—C3	1.532 (2)
C2—H2A	0.9900
C2—H2AB	0.9900
N2—C15	1.4067 (17)
C3—C4	1.509 (2)
C3—H3A	0.9900
C3—H3AB	0.9900
C4—C5	1.385 (2)
C4—C9	1.389 (2)
C5—C6	1.383 (2)
C5—H5	0.9500
C7—C6	1.378 (2)

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C7—C8	1.381 (2)
C7—H7	0.9500
C6—H6	0.9500
C8—C9	1.386 (2)
C8—H8	0.9500
C9—H9	0.9500
C10—C11	1.399 (2)
C10—H10	0.9500
C11—C12	1.366 (2)
C11—H11	0.9500
C12—C13	1.413 (2)
C12—H12	0.9500
C13—C14	1.4045 (19)
C13—C18	1.414 (2)
C14—C15	1.4067 (19)
C15—C16	1.3764 (19)
C16—C17	1.417 (2)
C16—H16	0.9500
C17—C18	1.365 (2)
C17—H17	0.9500
C18—H18	0.9500
C19—C24	1.3973 (19)
C19—C20	1.4048 (19)
C20—C21	1.384 (2)
C20—H20	0.9500
C21—C22	1.378 (2)
C21—H21	0.9500
C22—C23	1.382 (2)
C22—H22	0.9500
C23—C24	1.393 (2)
C23—H23	0.9500
C24—H24	0.9500
C25—C30	1.394 (2)
C25—C26	1.4016 (19)
C26—C27	1.384 (2)
C26—H26	0.9500
C27—C28	1.378 (2)
C27—H27	0.9500
C28—C29	1.378 (2)
C28—H28	0.9500
C29—C30	1.391 (2)
C29—H29	0.9500
C30—H30	0.9500
C10—N1—C14	119.63 (12)
C10—N1—B1	130.25 (11)

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C14—N1—B1	109.99 (11)
N2—B1—C19	112.51 (11)
N2—B1—C25	112.12 (11)
C19—B1—C25	117.81 (11)
N2—B1—N1	96.35 (10)
C19—B1—N1	106.59 (10)
C25—B1—N1	109.03 (11)
O1—C1—N2	122.17 (13)
O1—C1—C2	119.23 (13)
N2—C1—C2	118.59 (12)
C1—C2—C3	111.94 (11)
C1—C2—H2A	109.2
C3—C2—H2A	109.2
C1—C2—H2AB	109.2
C3—C2—H2AB	109.2
H2A—C2—H2AB	107.9
C1—N2—C15	121.13 (11)
C1—N2—B1	127.71 (11)
C15—N2—B1	110.85 (10)
C4—C3—C2	113.05 (12)
C4—C3—H3A	109.0
C2—C3—H3A	109.0
C4—C3—H3AB	109.0
C2—C3—H3AB	109.0
H3A—C3—H3AB	107.8
C5—C4—C9	118.13 (14)
C5—C4—C3	120.84 (14)
C9—C4—C3	121.03 (13)
C6—C5—C4	121.02 (15)
C6—C5—H5	119.5
C4—C5—H5	119.5
C6—C7—C8	119.63 (15)
C6—C7—H7	120.2
C8—C7—H7	120.2
C7—C6—C5	120.27 (15)
C7—C6—H6	119.9
C5—C6—H6	119.9
C7—C8—C9	119.91 (16)
C7—C8—H8	120.0
C9—C8—H8	120.0
C8—C9—C4	121.05 (15)
C8—C9—H9	119.5
C4—C9—H9	119.5
N1—C10—C11	120.87 (14)
N1—C10—H10	119.6
C11—C10—H10	119.6

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C12—C11—C10	120.36 (14)
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C13—C12—H12	120.0
C14—C13—C12	116.27 (13)
C14—C13—C18	116.27 (14)
C12—C13—C18	127.47 (14)
N1—C14—C13	122.84 (13)
N1—C14—C15	112.59 (12)
C13—C14—C15	124.57 (13)
C16—C15—N2	133.10 (13)
C16—C15—C14	117.55 (13)
N2—C15—C14	109.34 (11)
C15—C16—C17	118.71 (14)
C15—C16—H16	120.6
C17—C16—H16	120.6
C18—C17—C16	123.42 (14)
C18—C17—H17	118.3
C16—C17—H17	118.3
C17—C18—C13	119.46 (14)
C17—C18—H18	120.3
C13—C18—H18	120.3
C24—C19—C20	116.14 (13)
C24—C19—B1	123.19 (12)
C20—C19—B1	120.60 (12)
C21—C20—C19	122.13 (14)
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C22—C21—H21	119.9
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C21—C22—H22	120.4
C23—C22—H22	120.4
C22—C23—C24	120.27 (15)
C22—C23—H23	119.9
C24—C23—H23	119.9
C23—C24—C19	121.84 (14)
C23—C24—H24	119.1
C19—C24—H24	119.1
C30—C25—C26	116.19 (13)
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C26—C25—B1	119.46 (12)
C27—C26—C25	122.19 (15)

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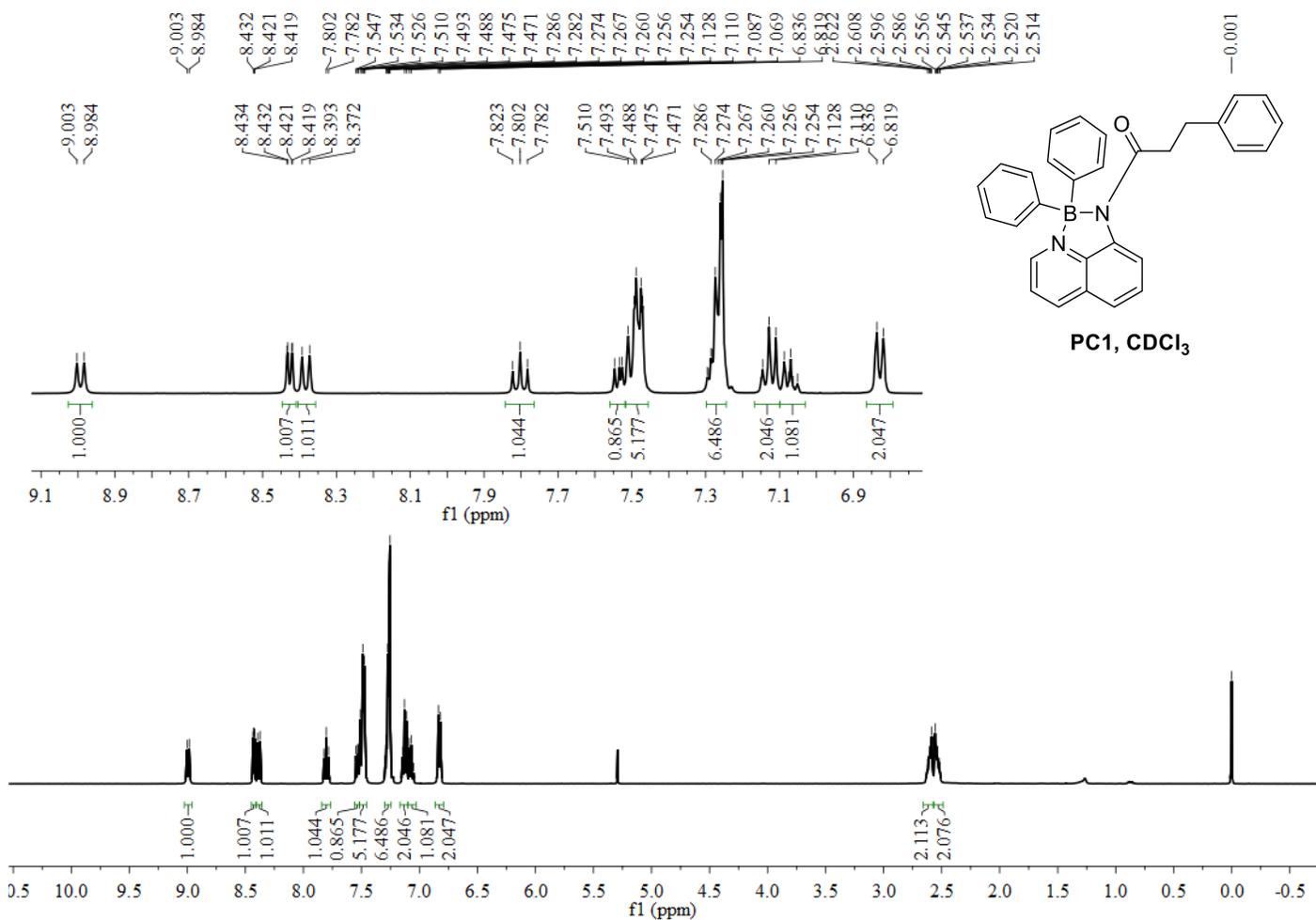
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C27—C28—C29	119.49 (14)
C27—C28—H28	120.3
C29—C28—H28	120.3
C28—C29—C30	120.20 (15)
C28—C29—H29	119.9
C30—C29—H29	119.9
C29—C30—C25	121.85 (15)
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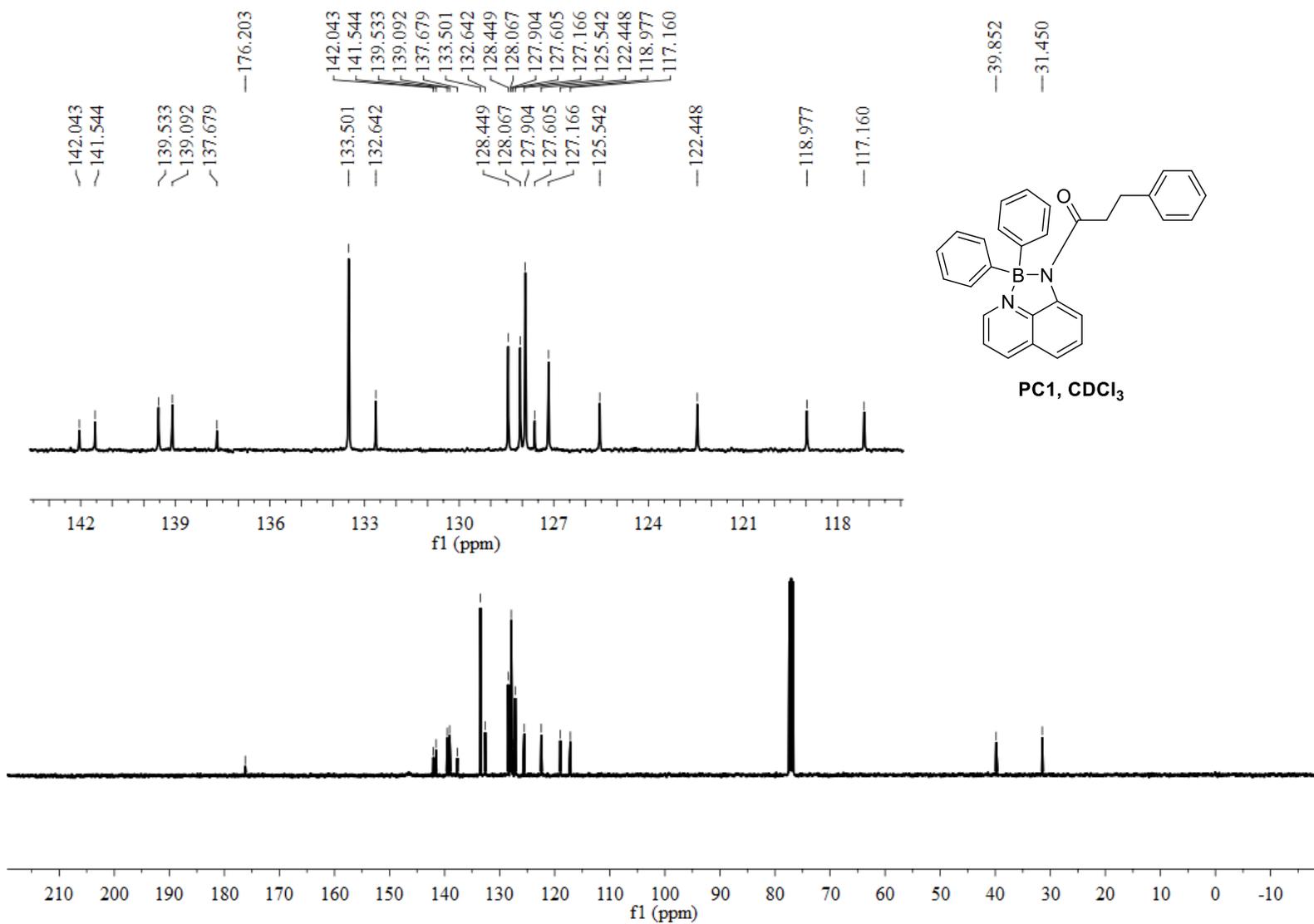
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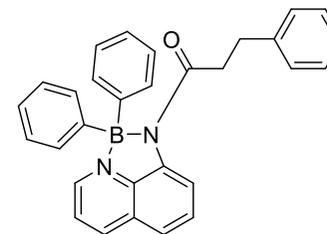
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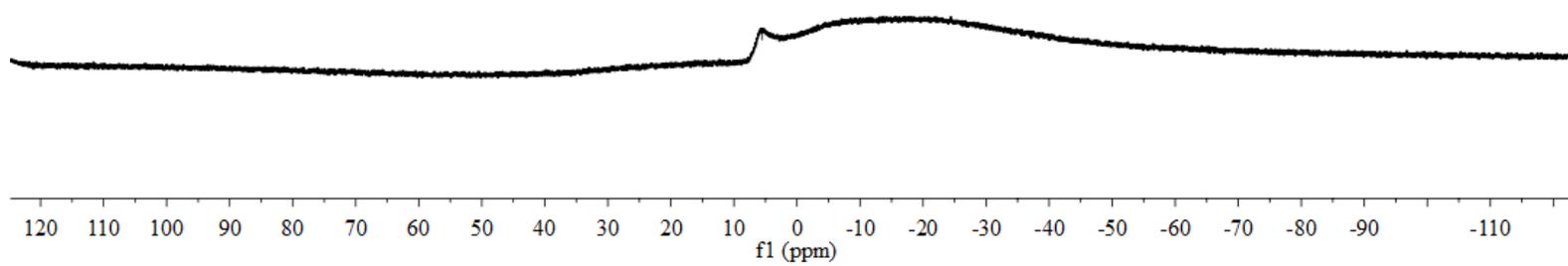


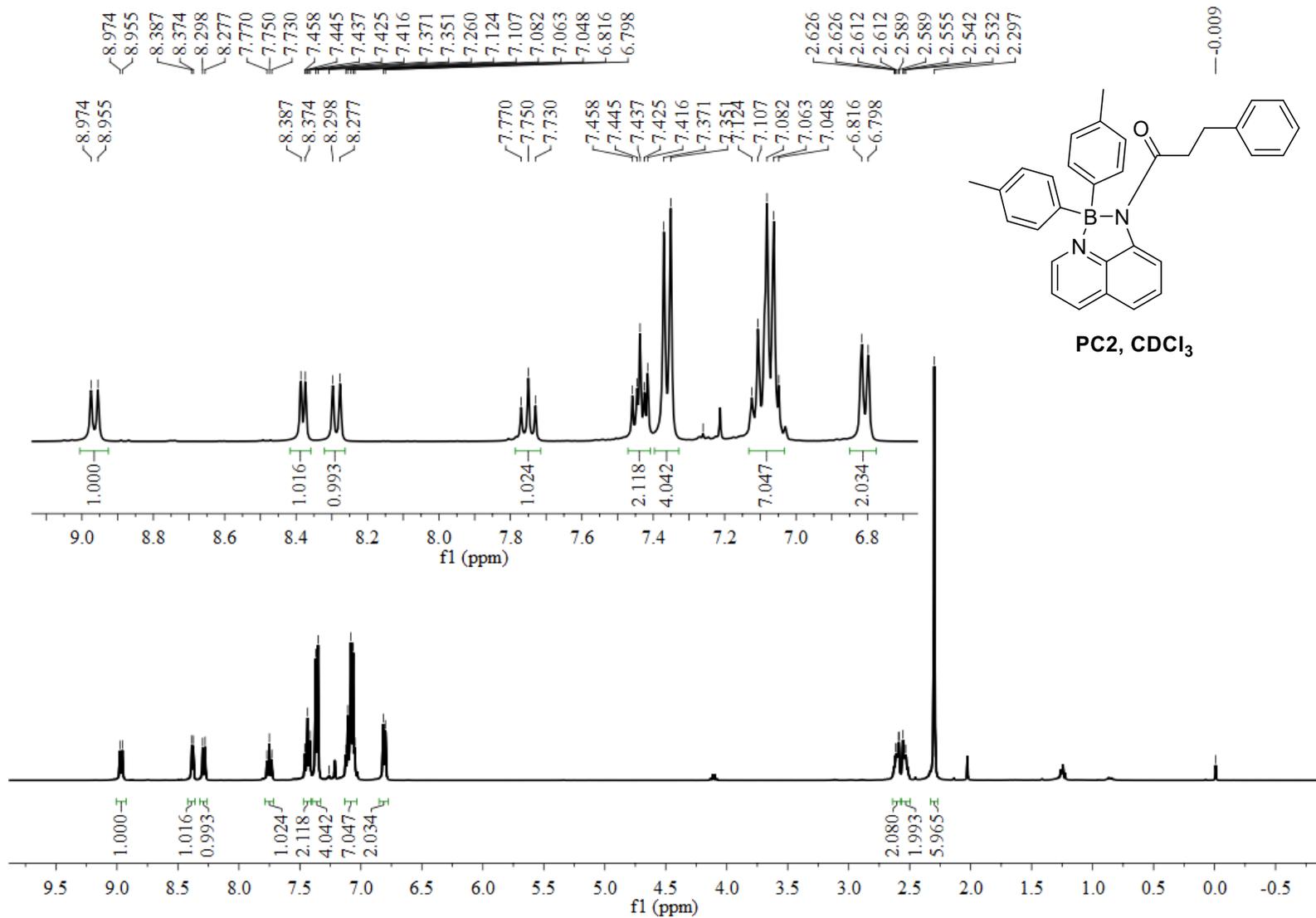


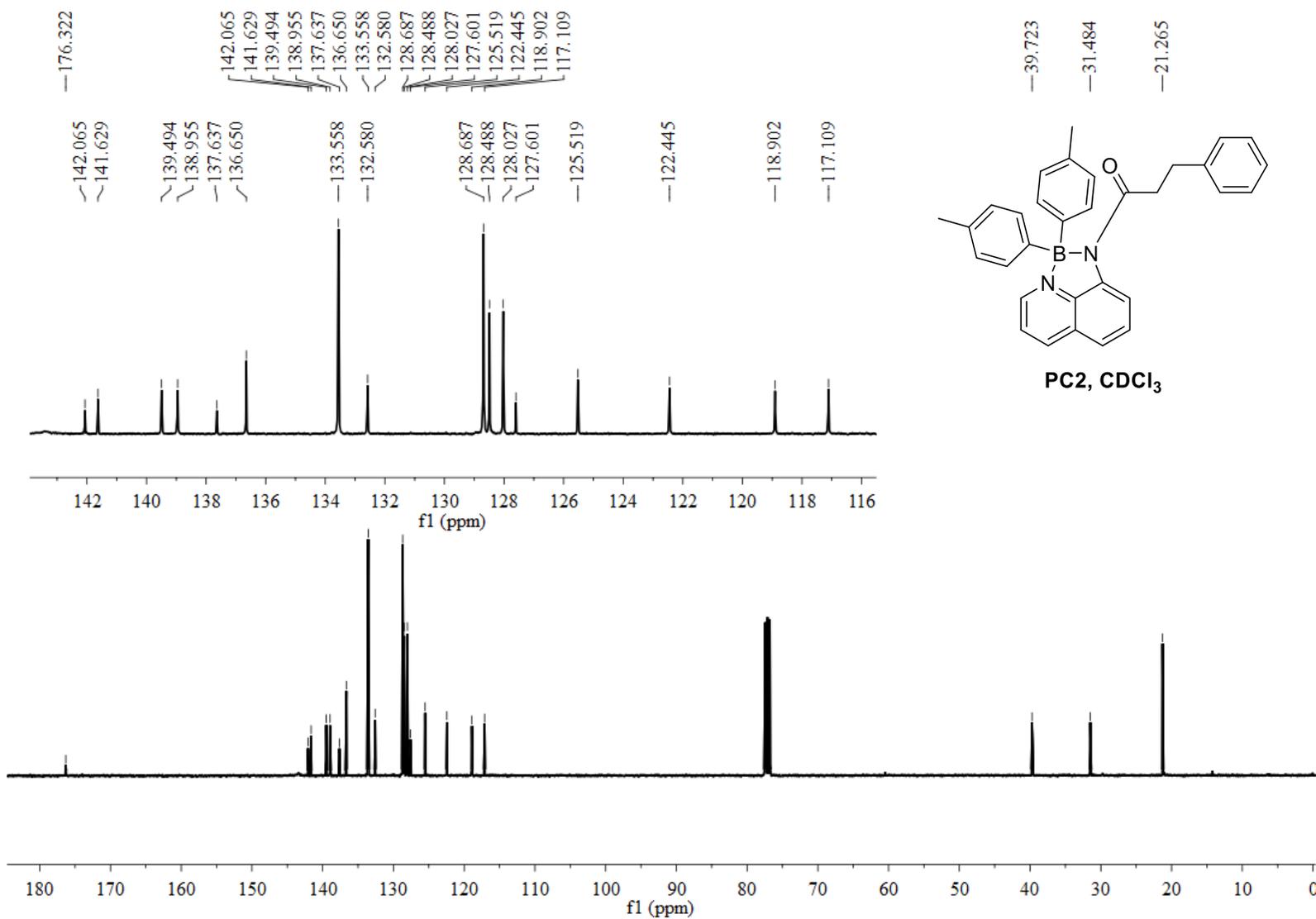
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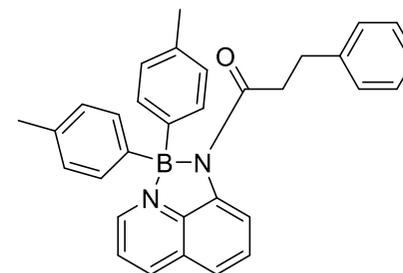
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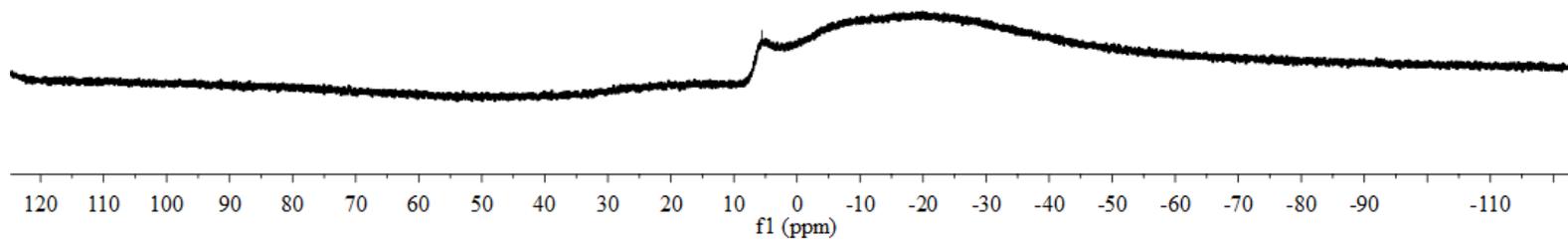


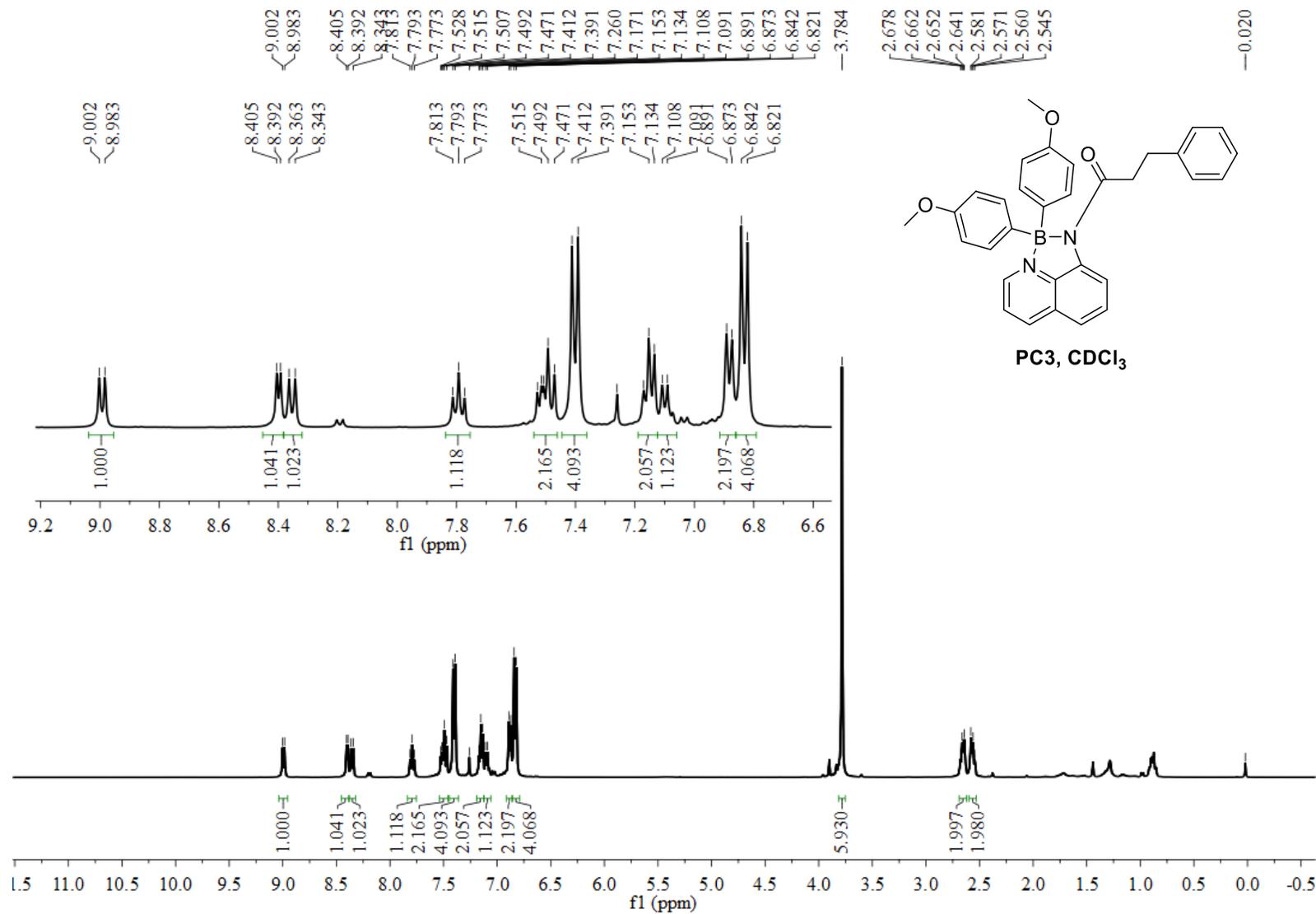


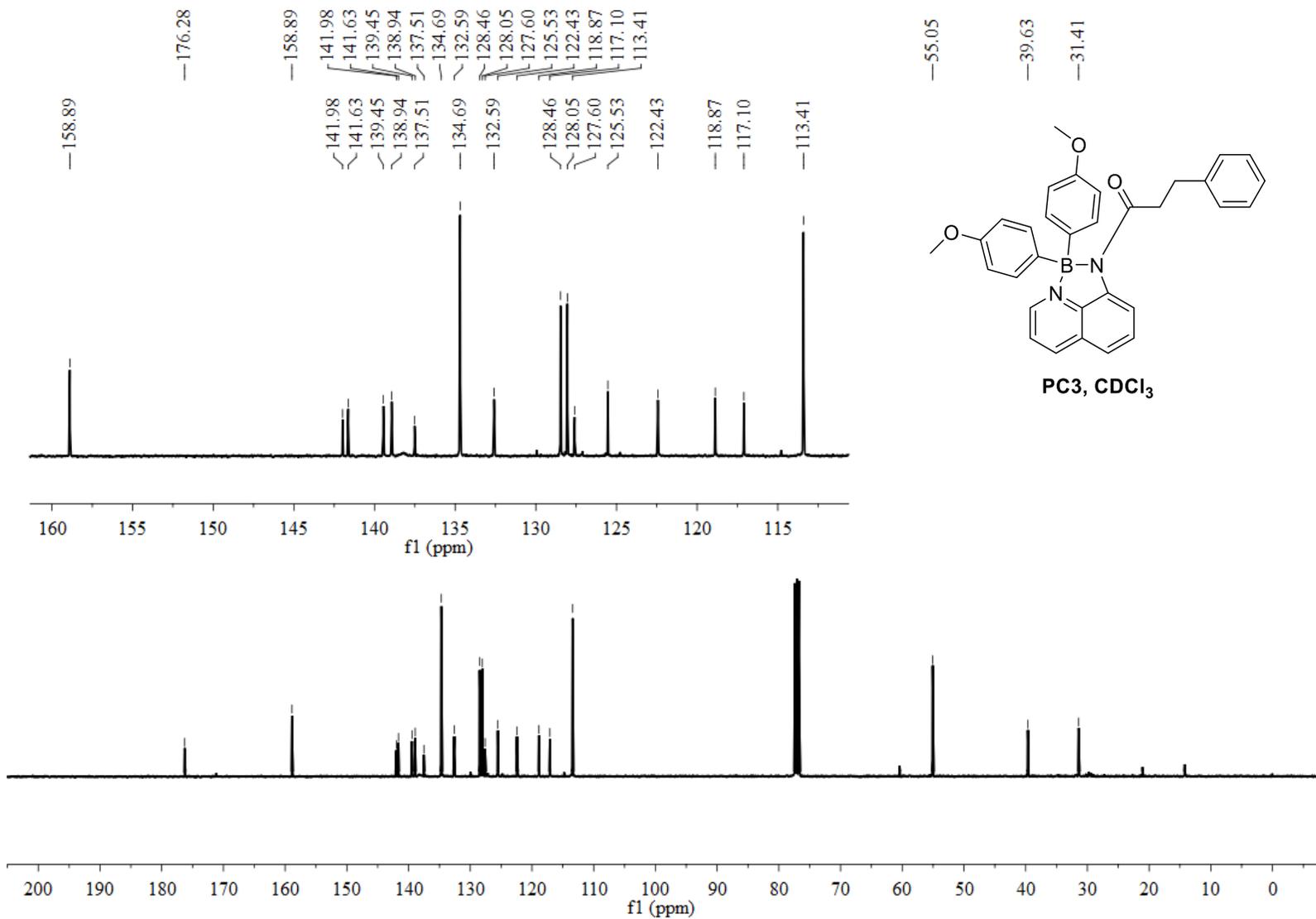
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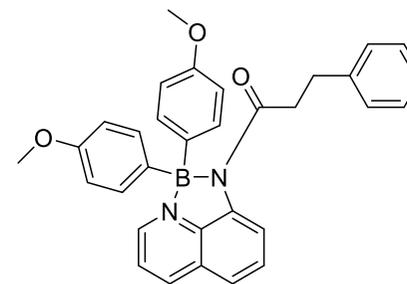
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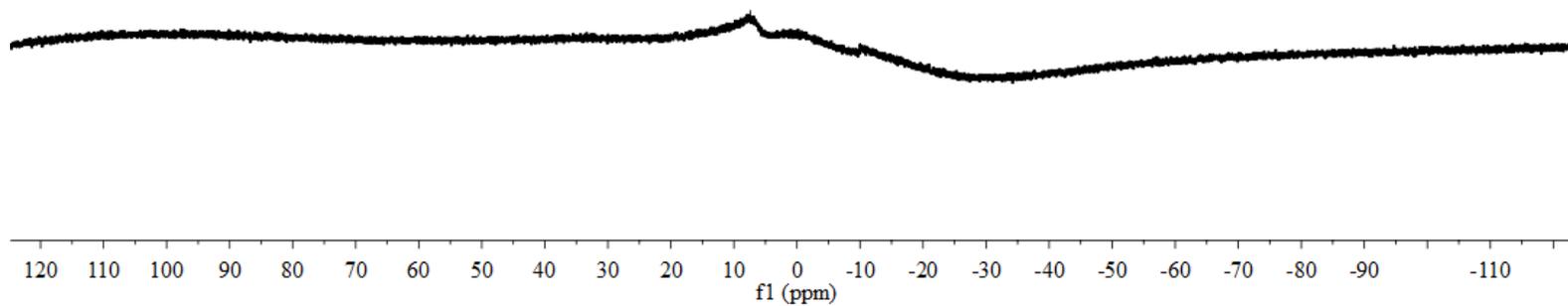


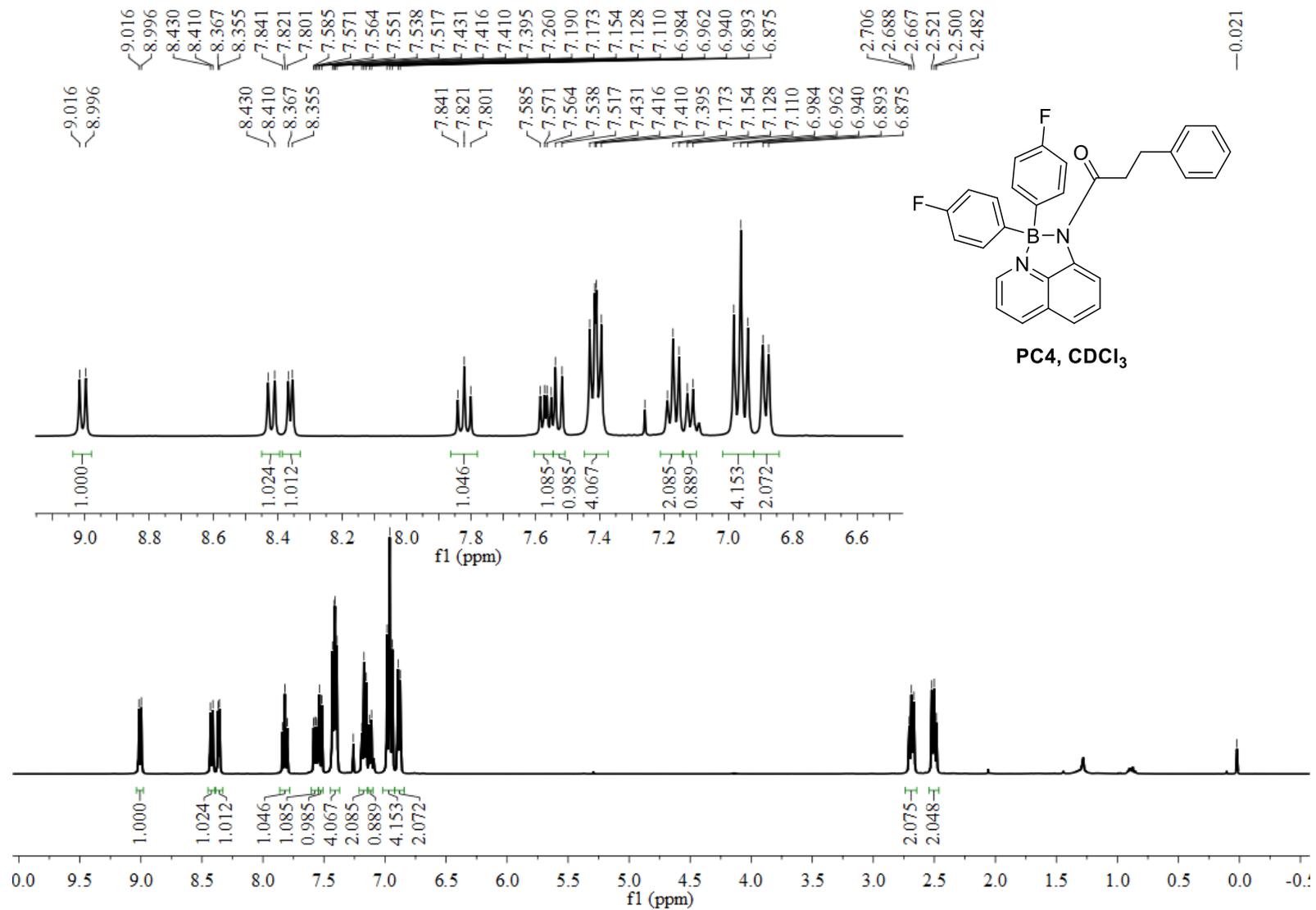


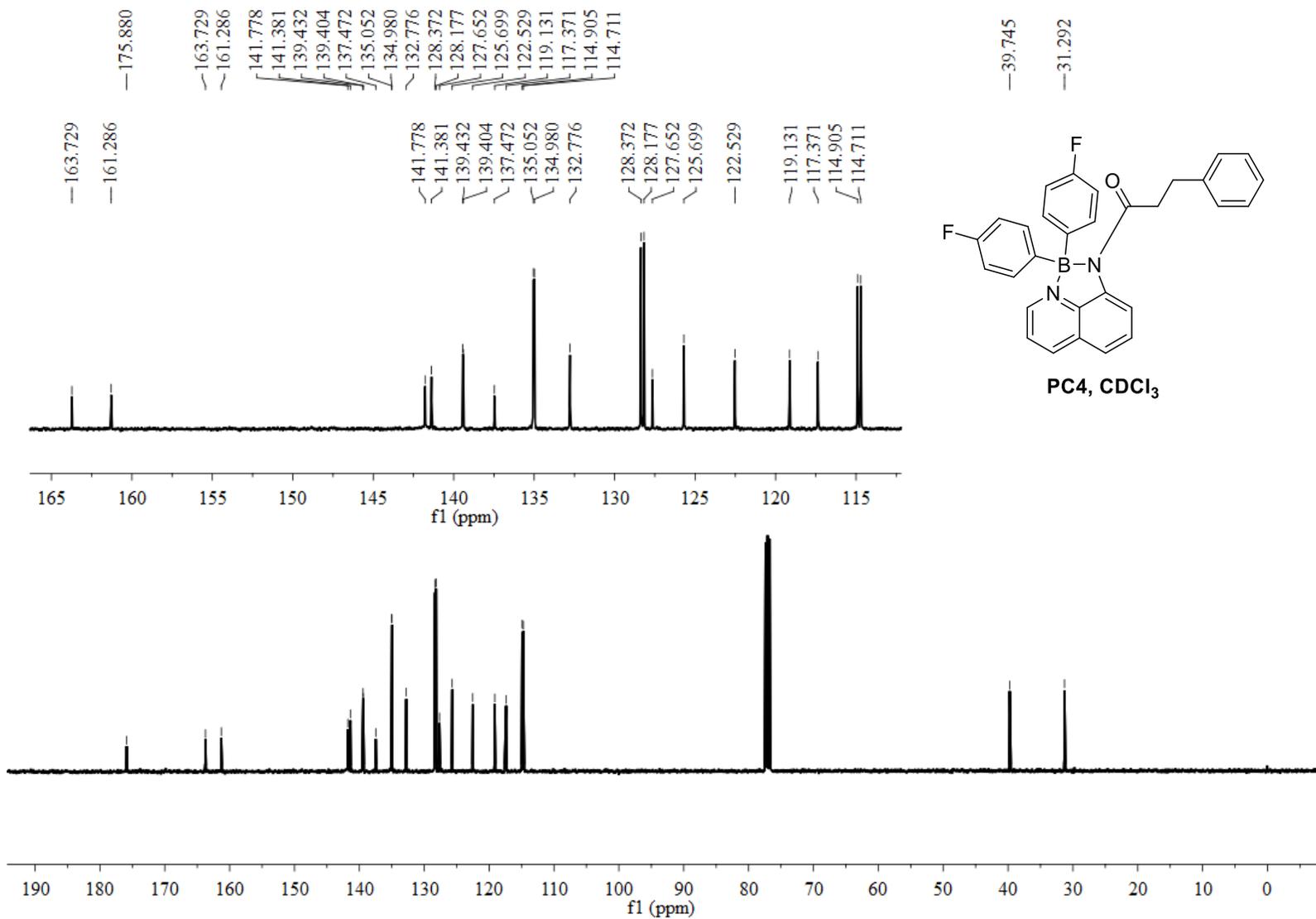
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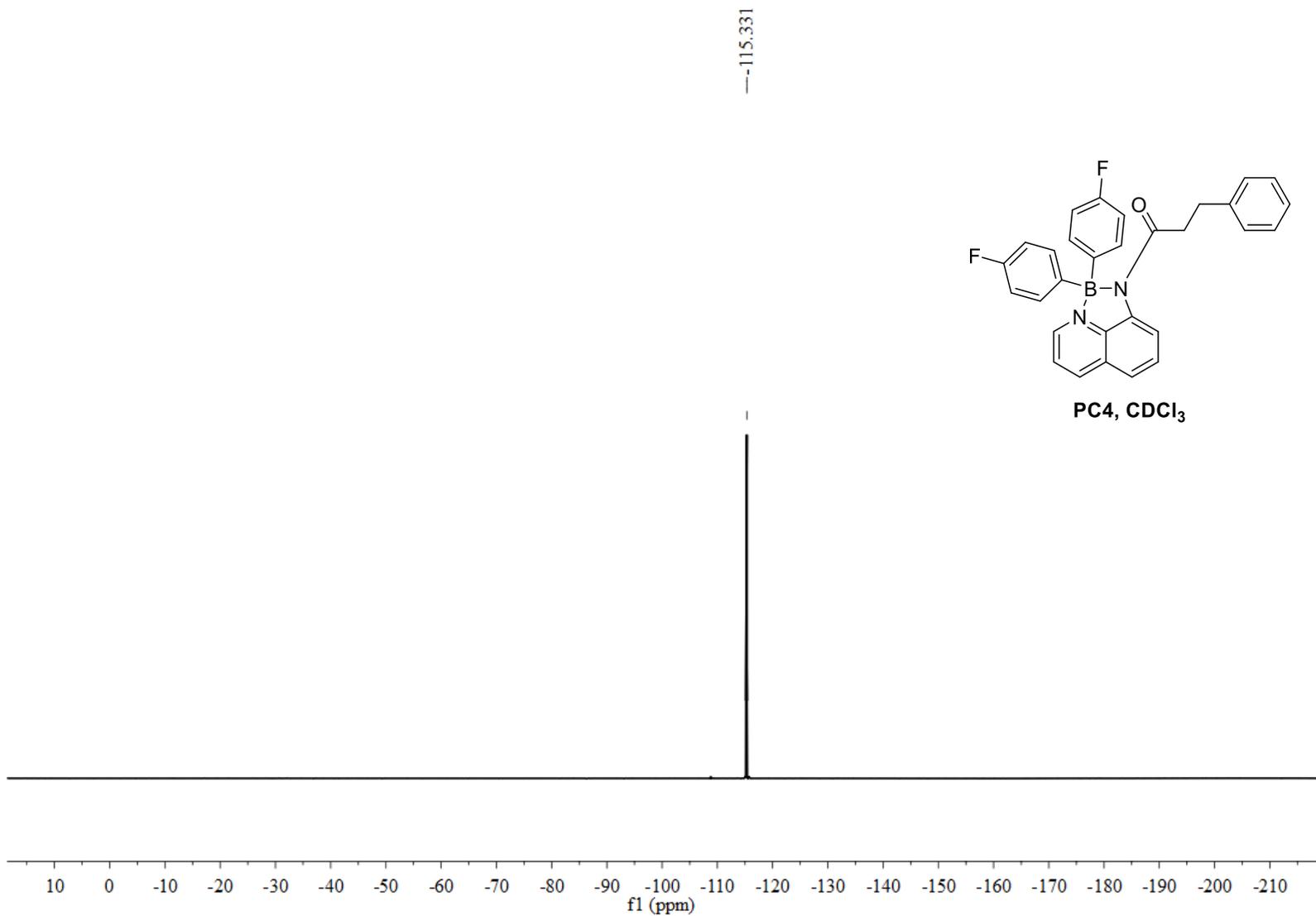


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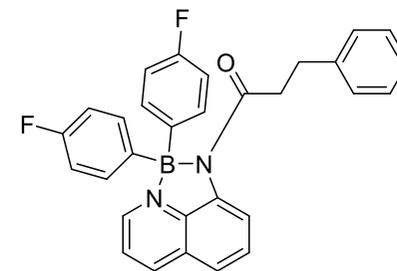




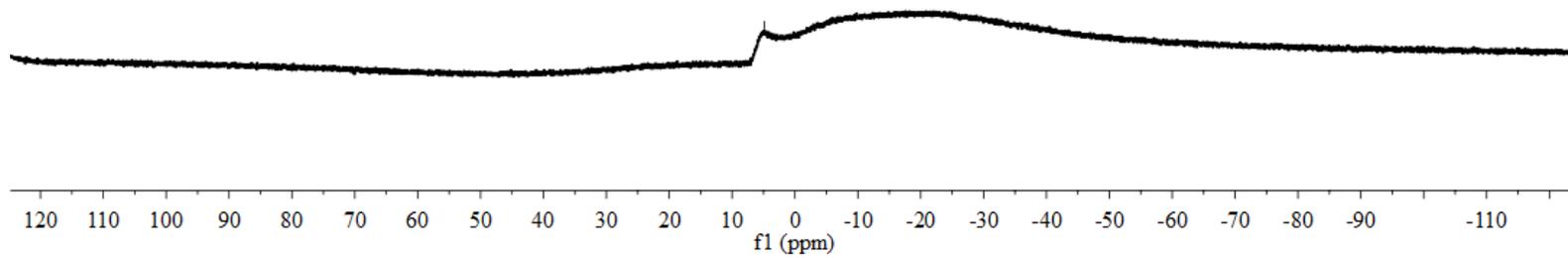


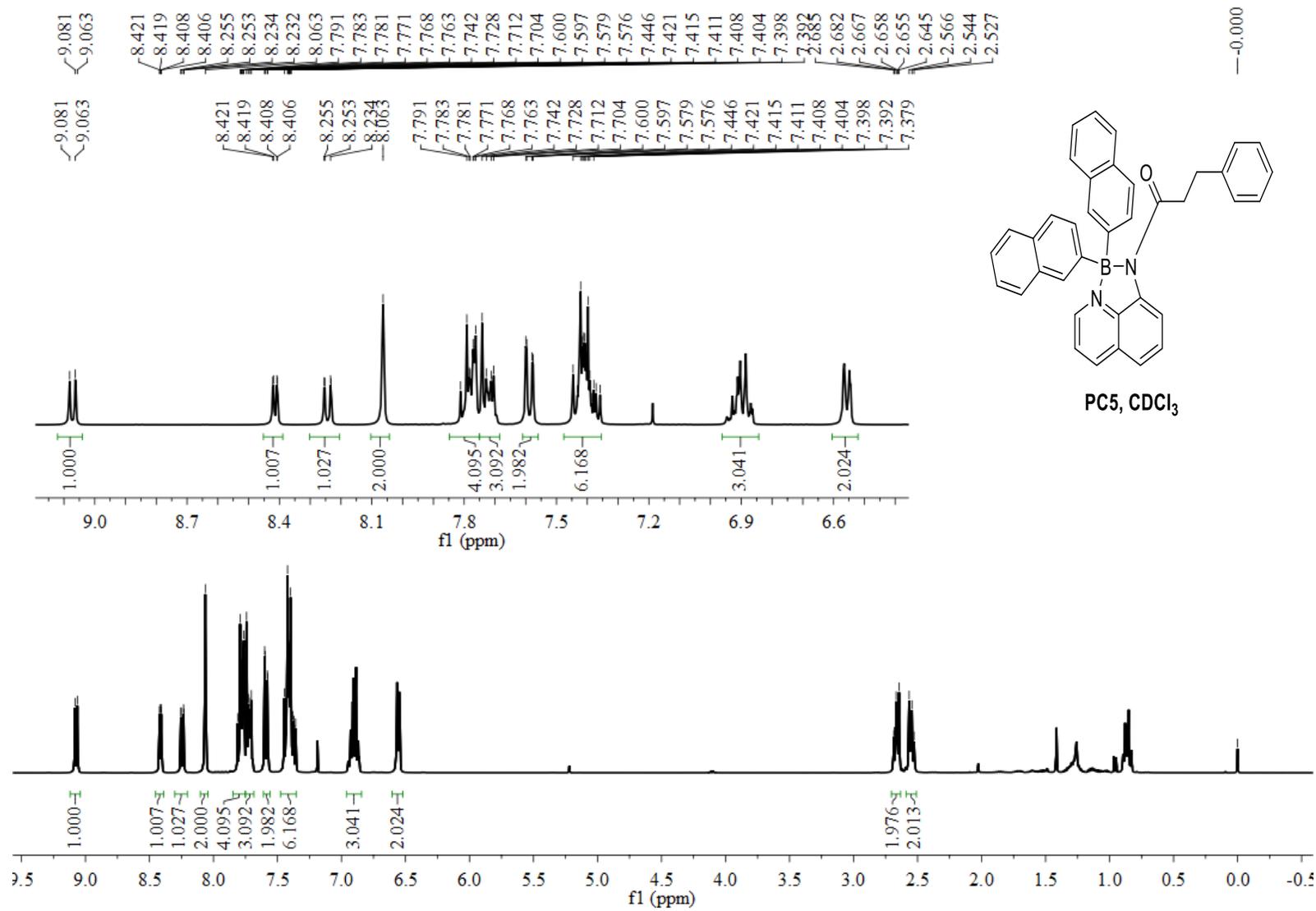


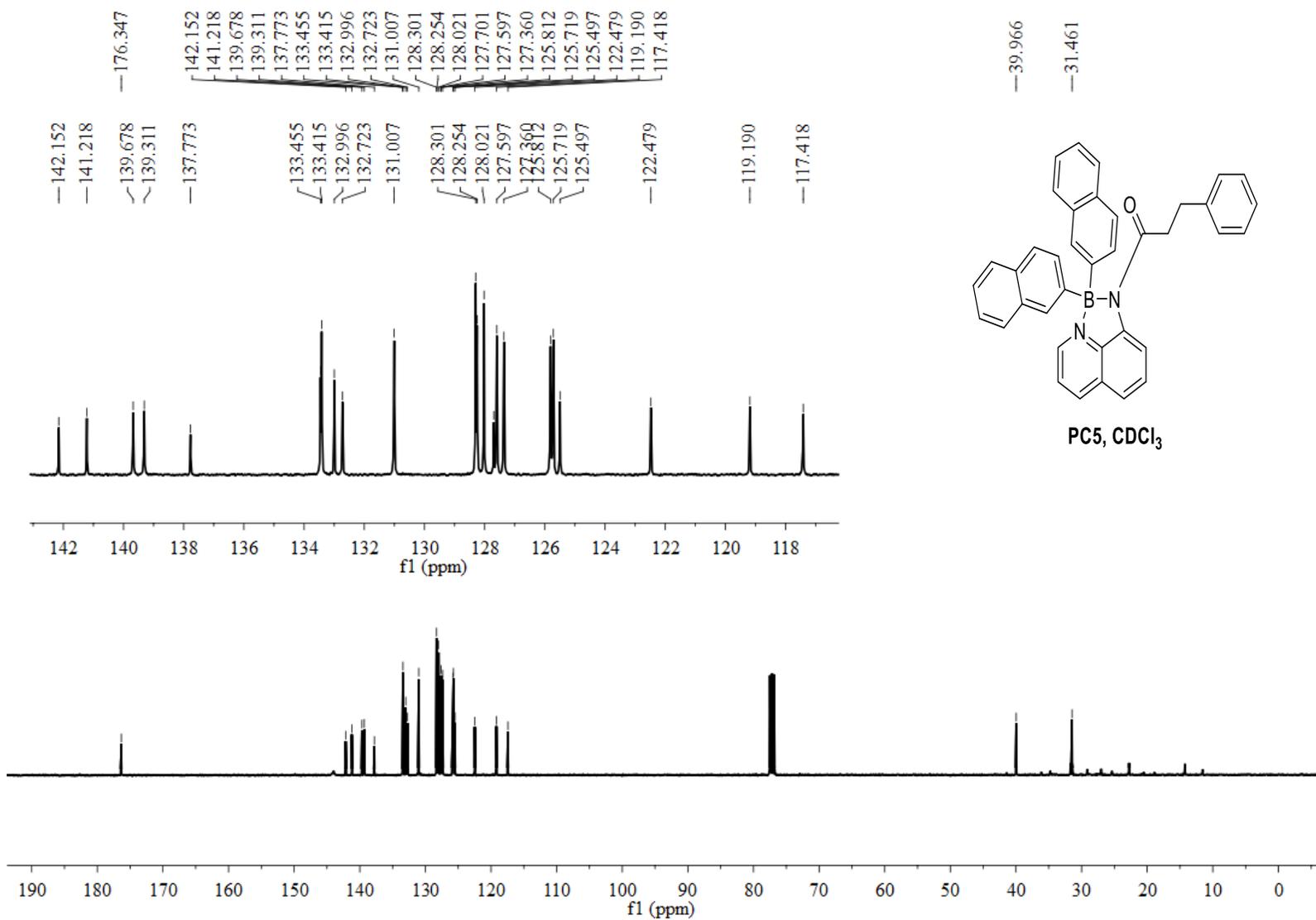
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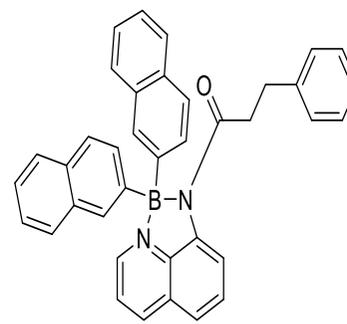
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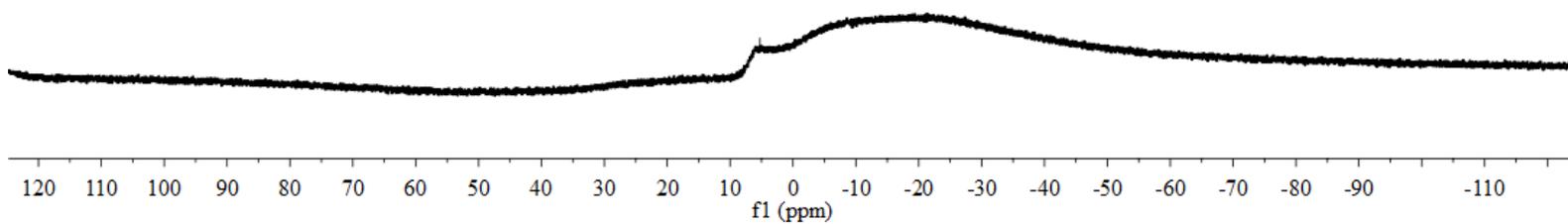


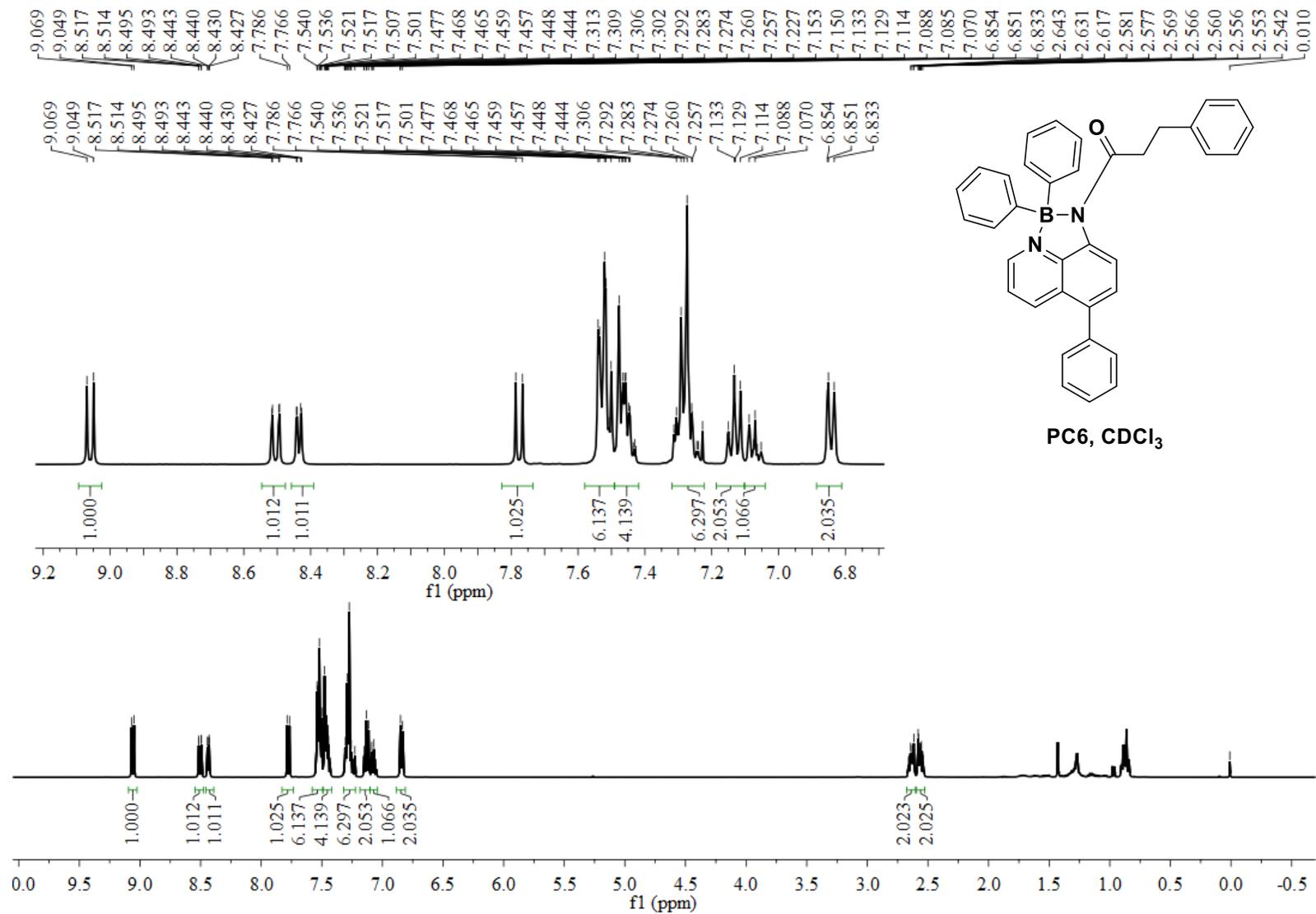


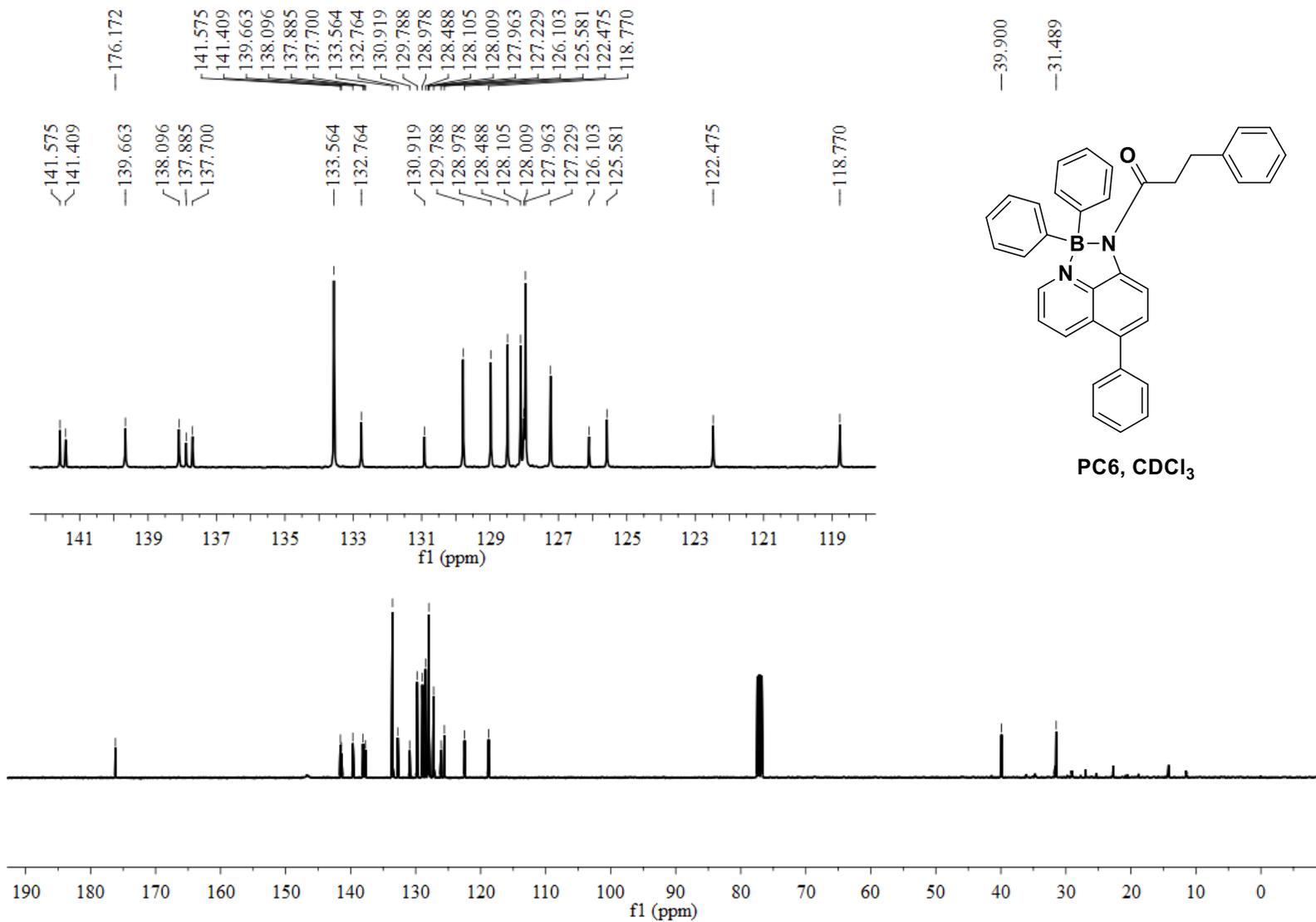
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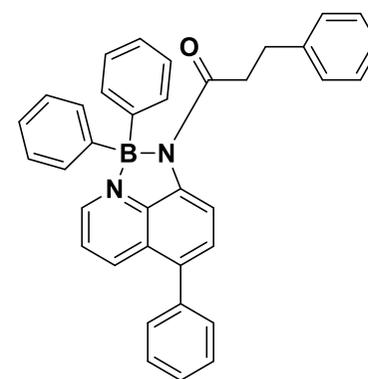
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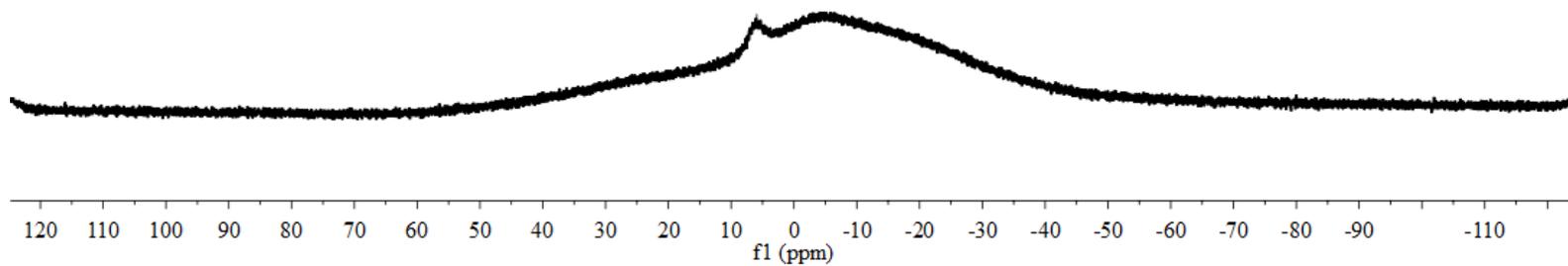


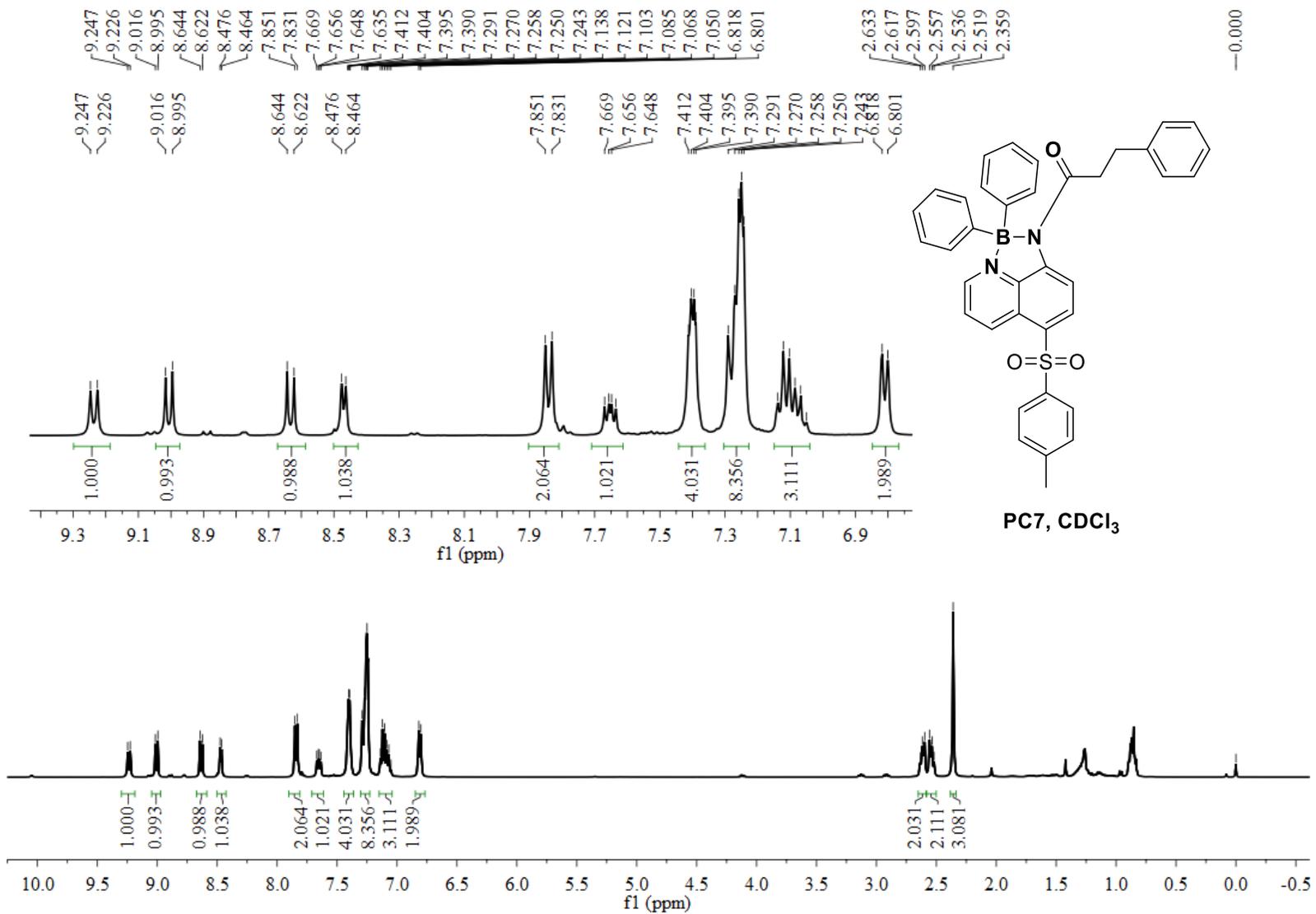


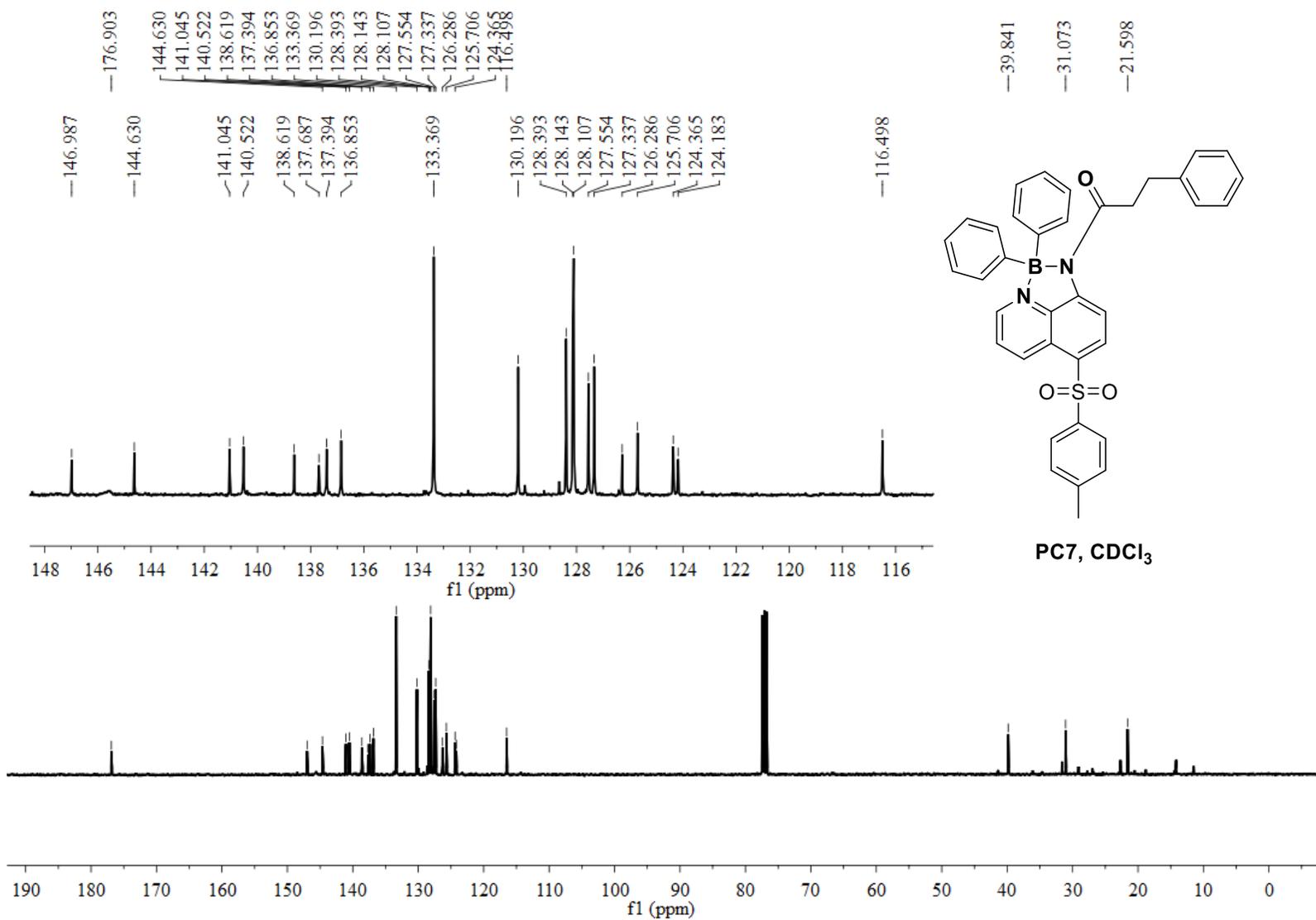
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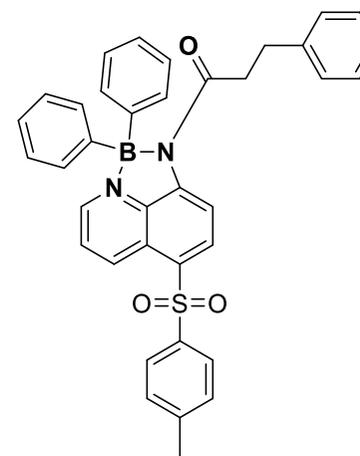
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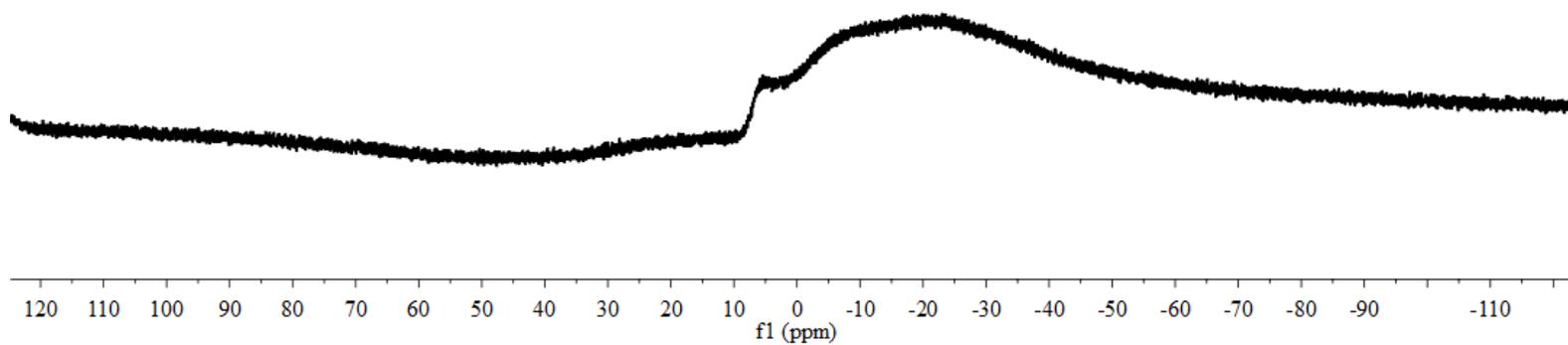


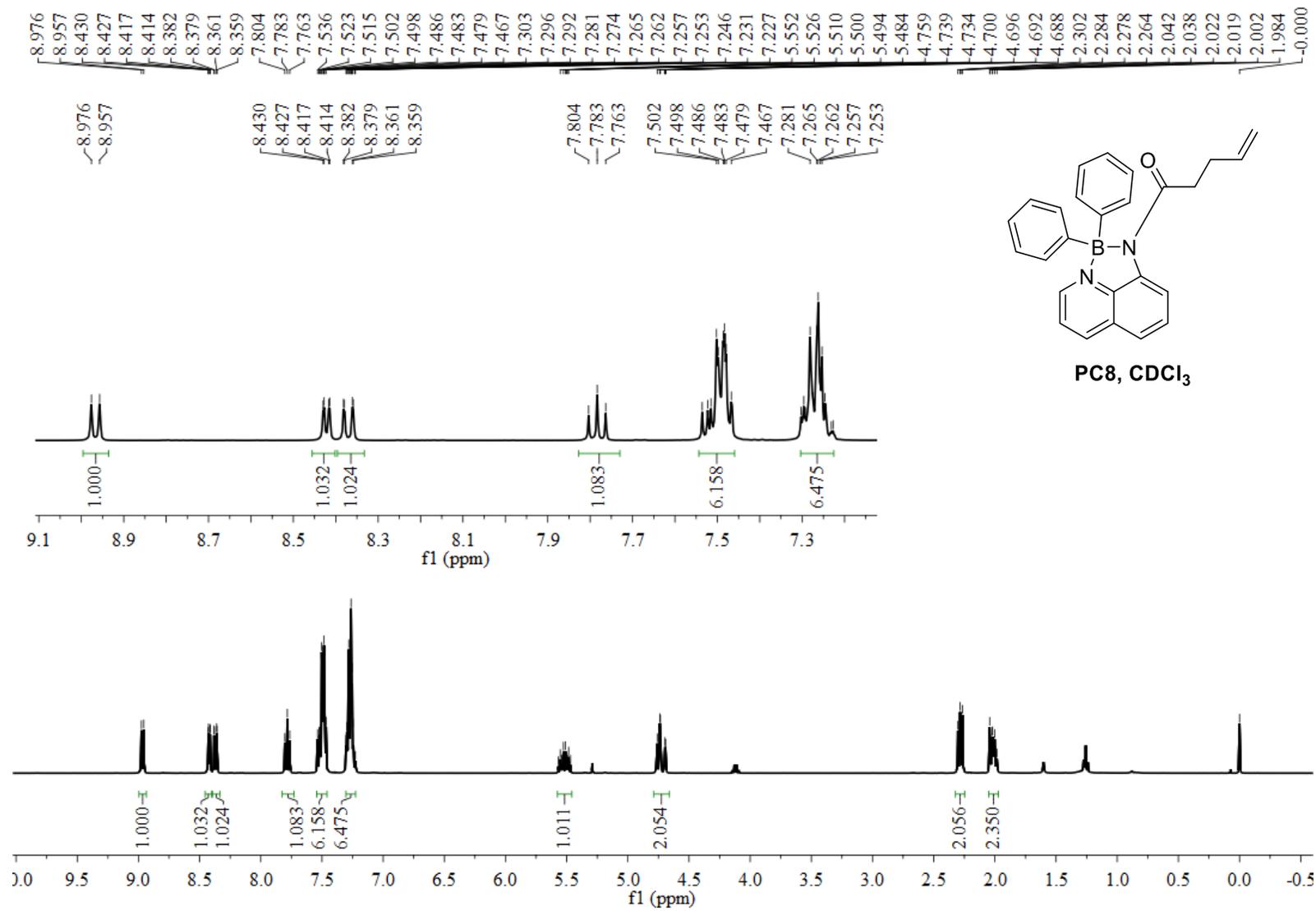


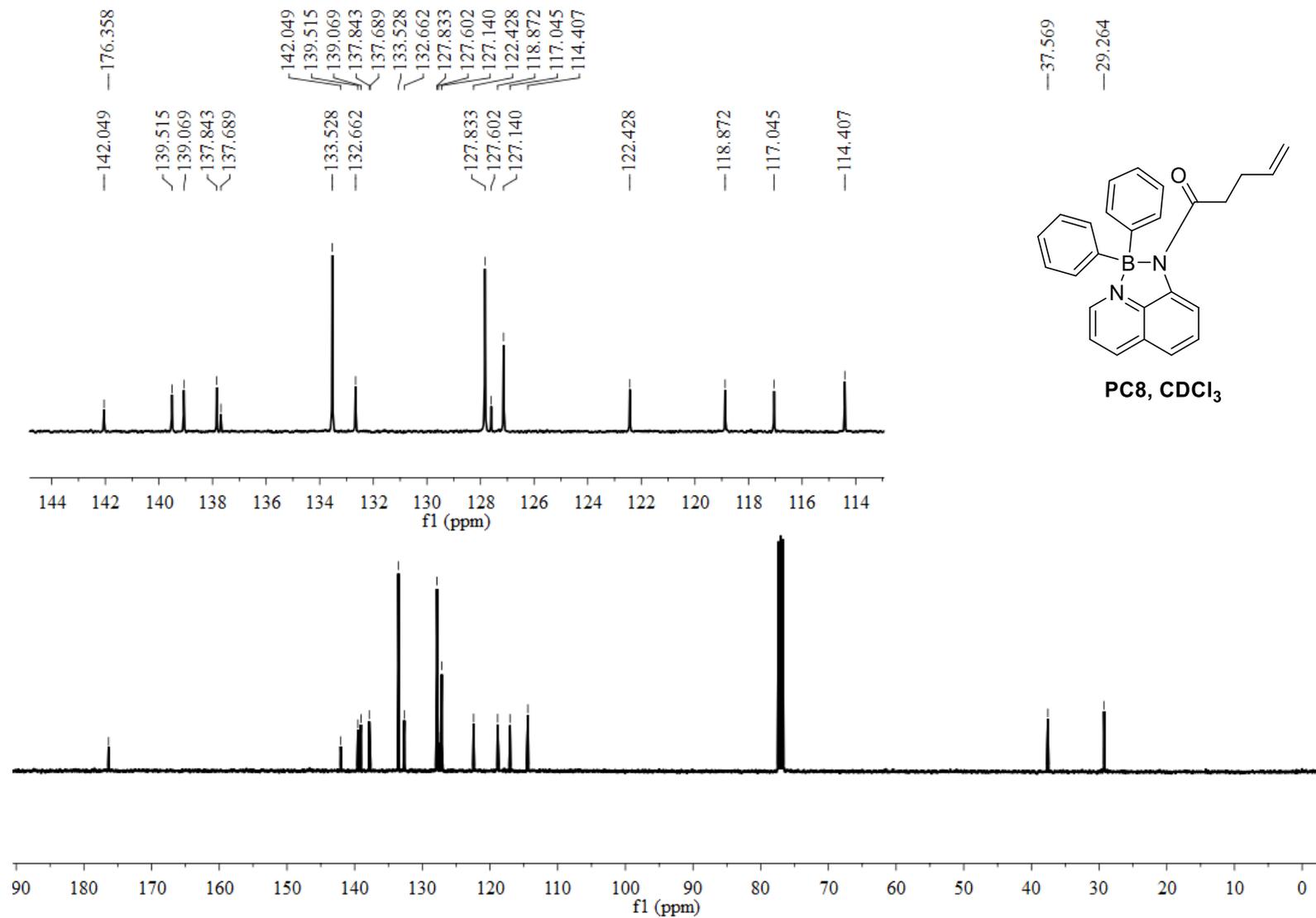
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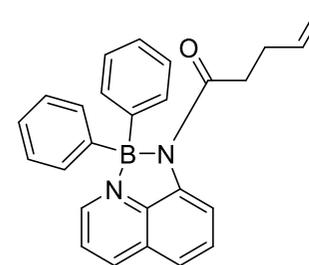
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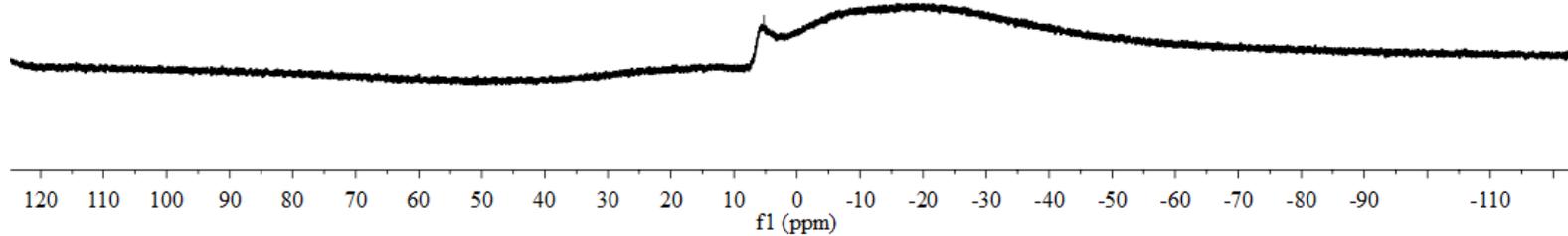


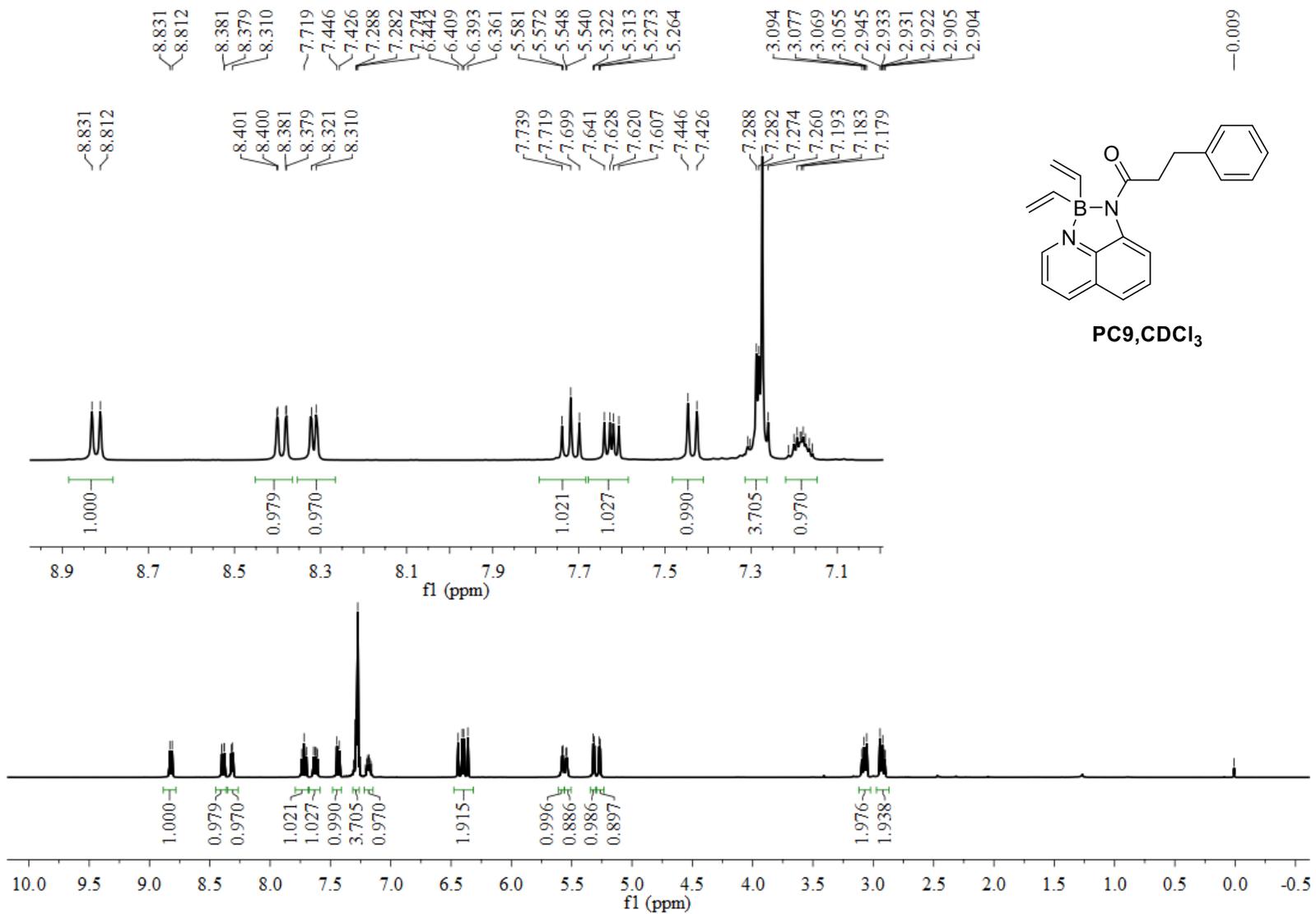


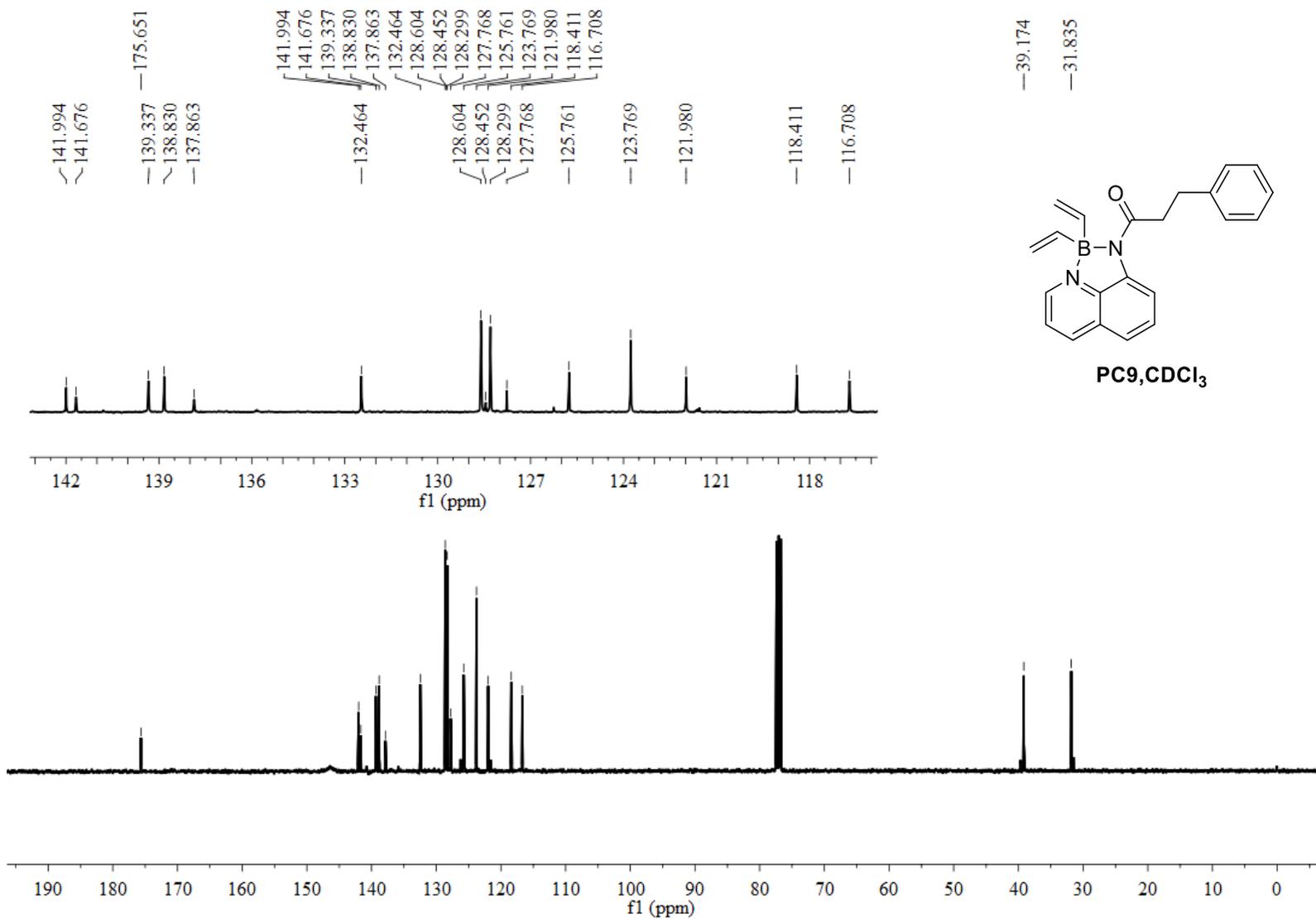
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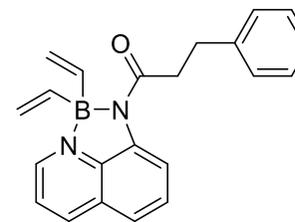
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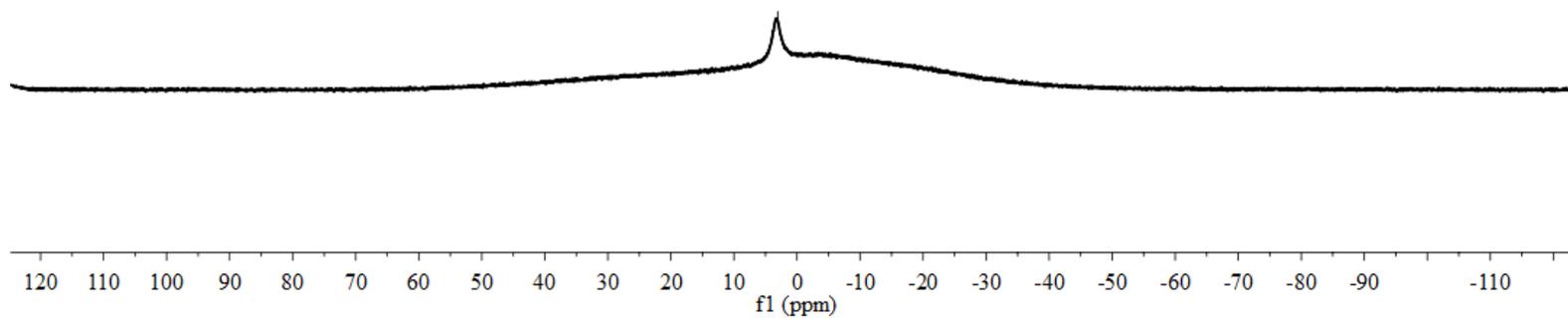


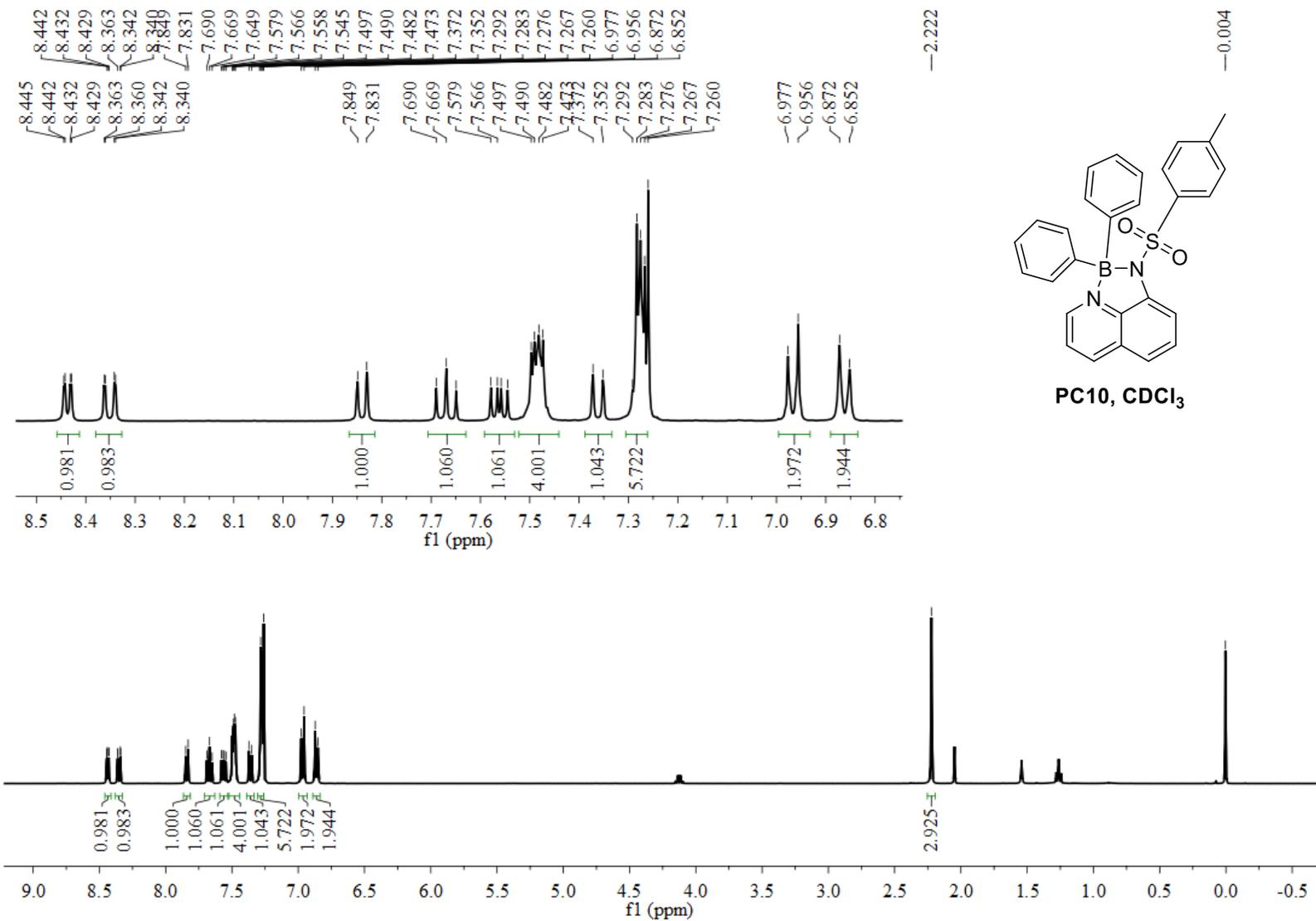


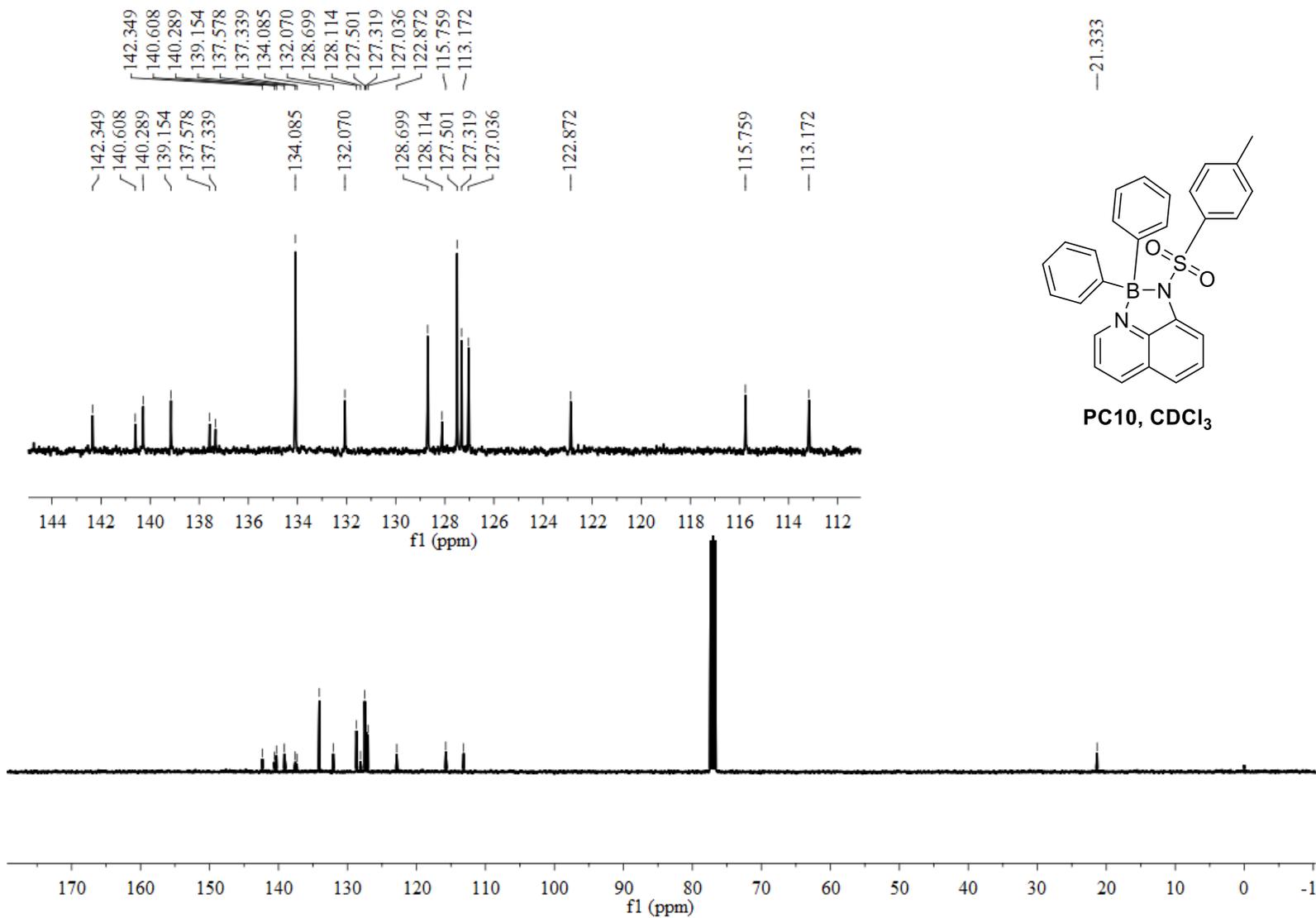
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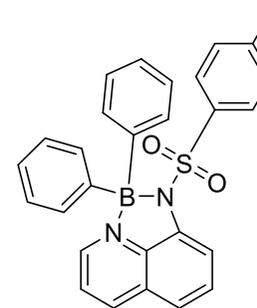
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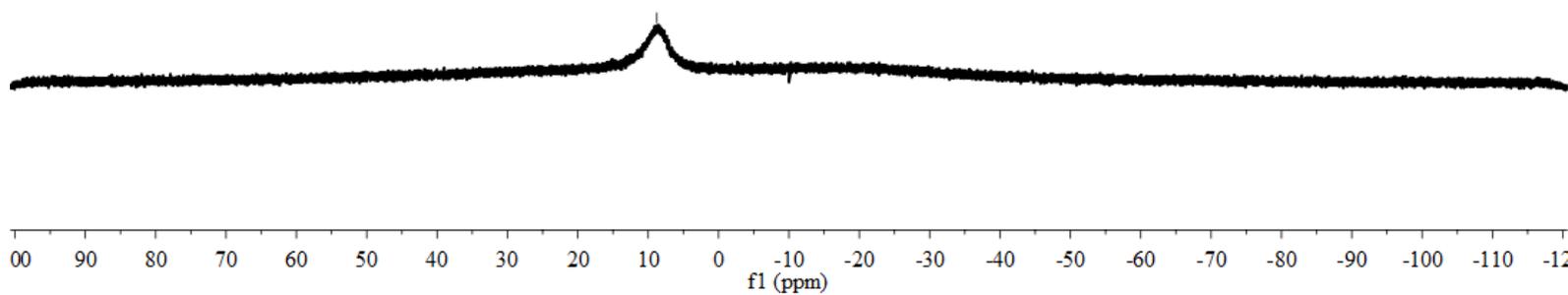


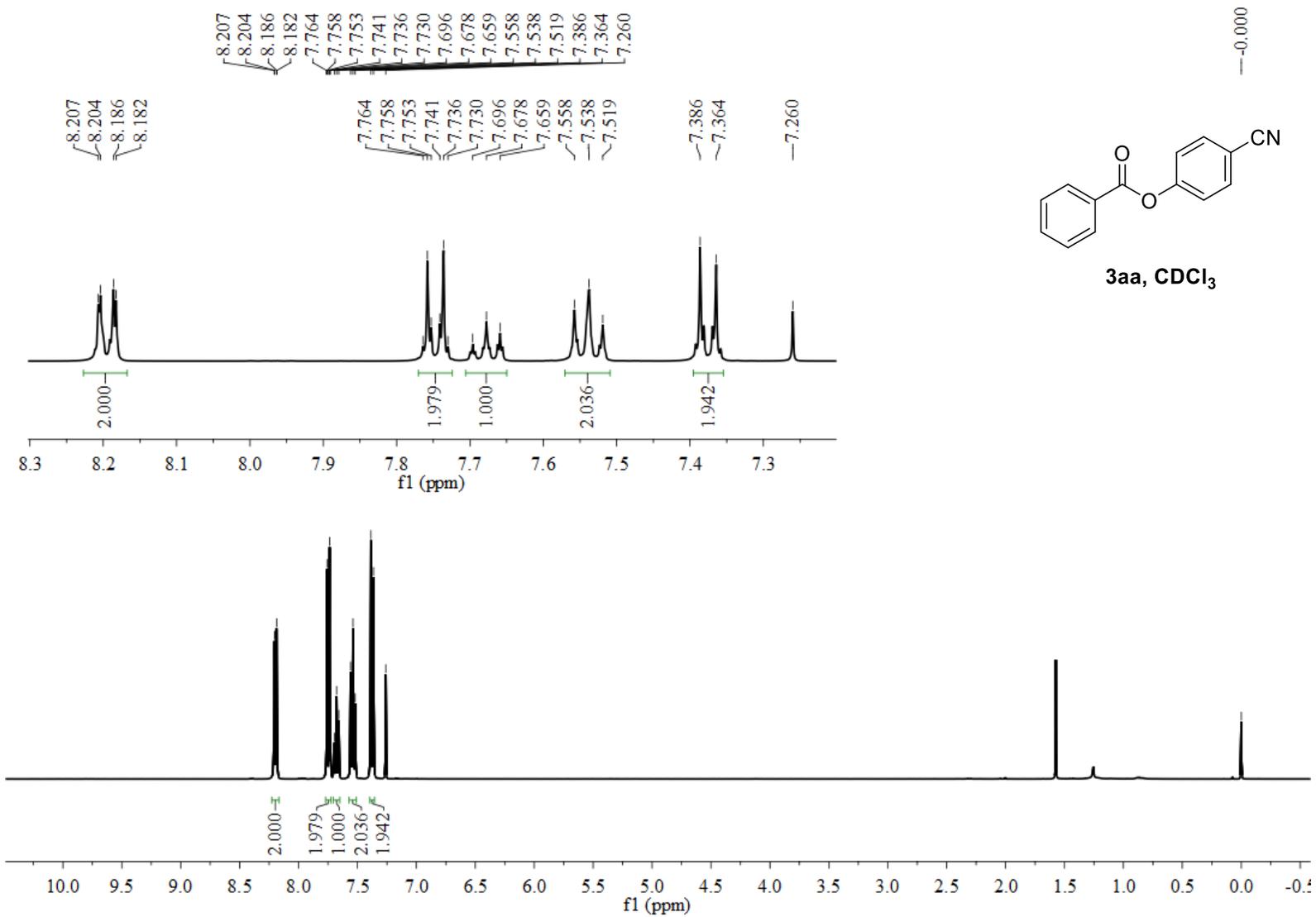


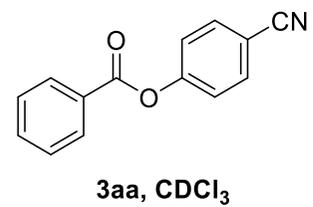
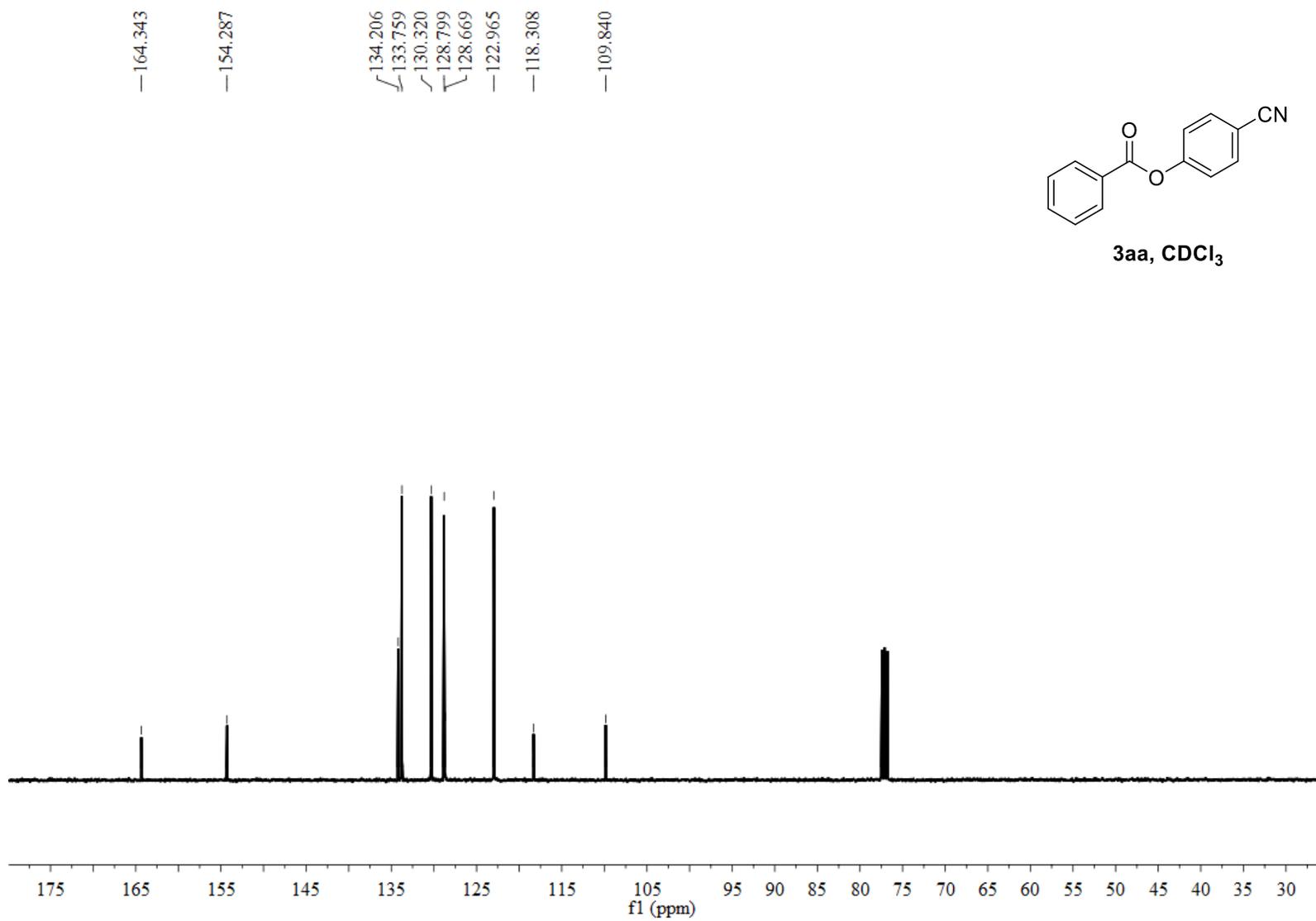
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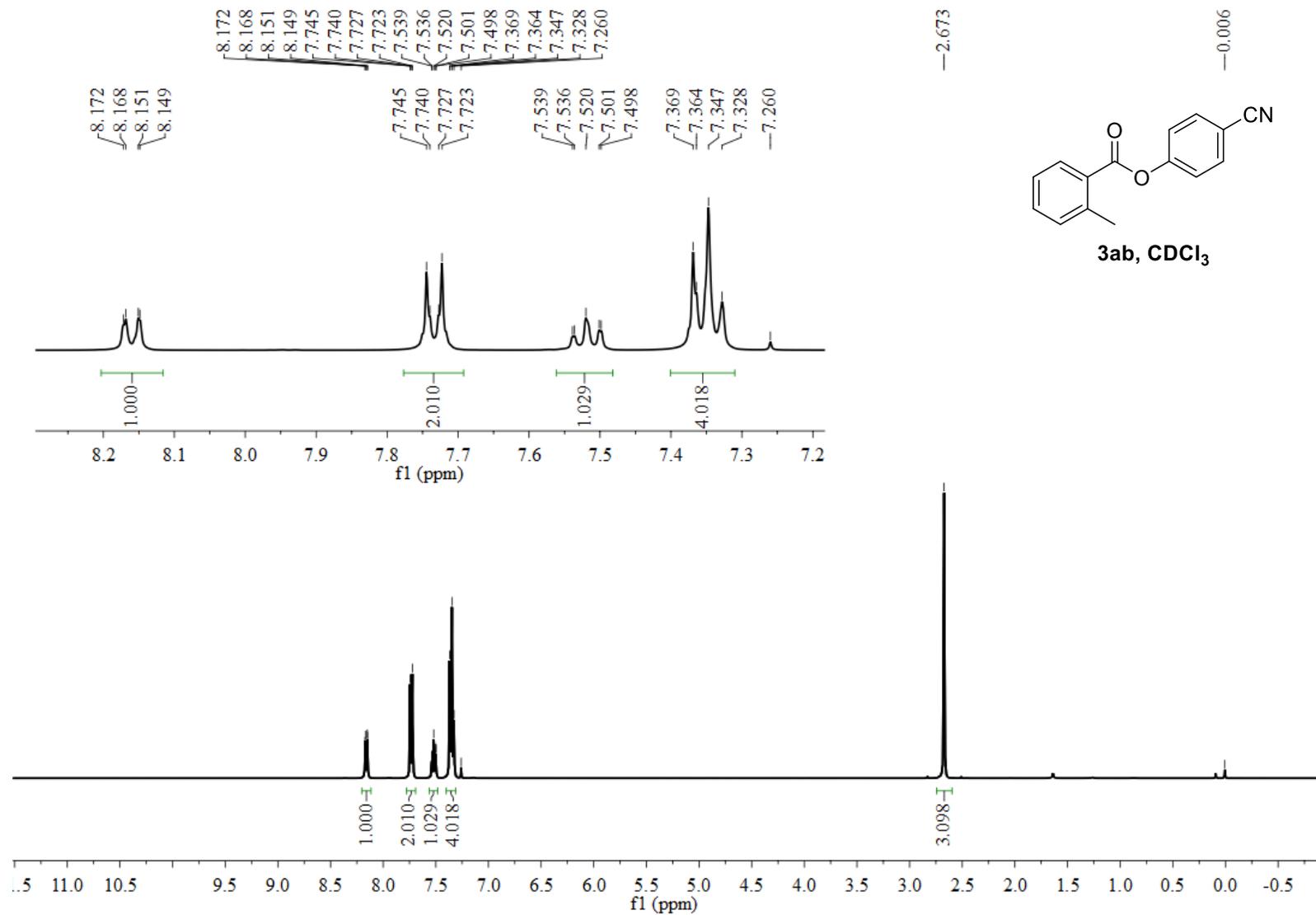


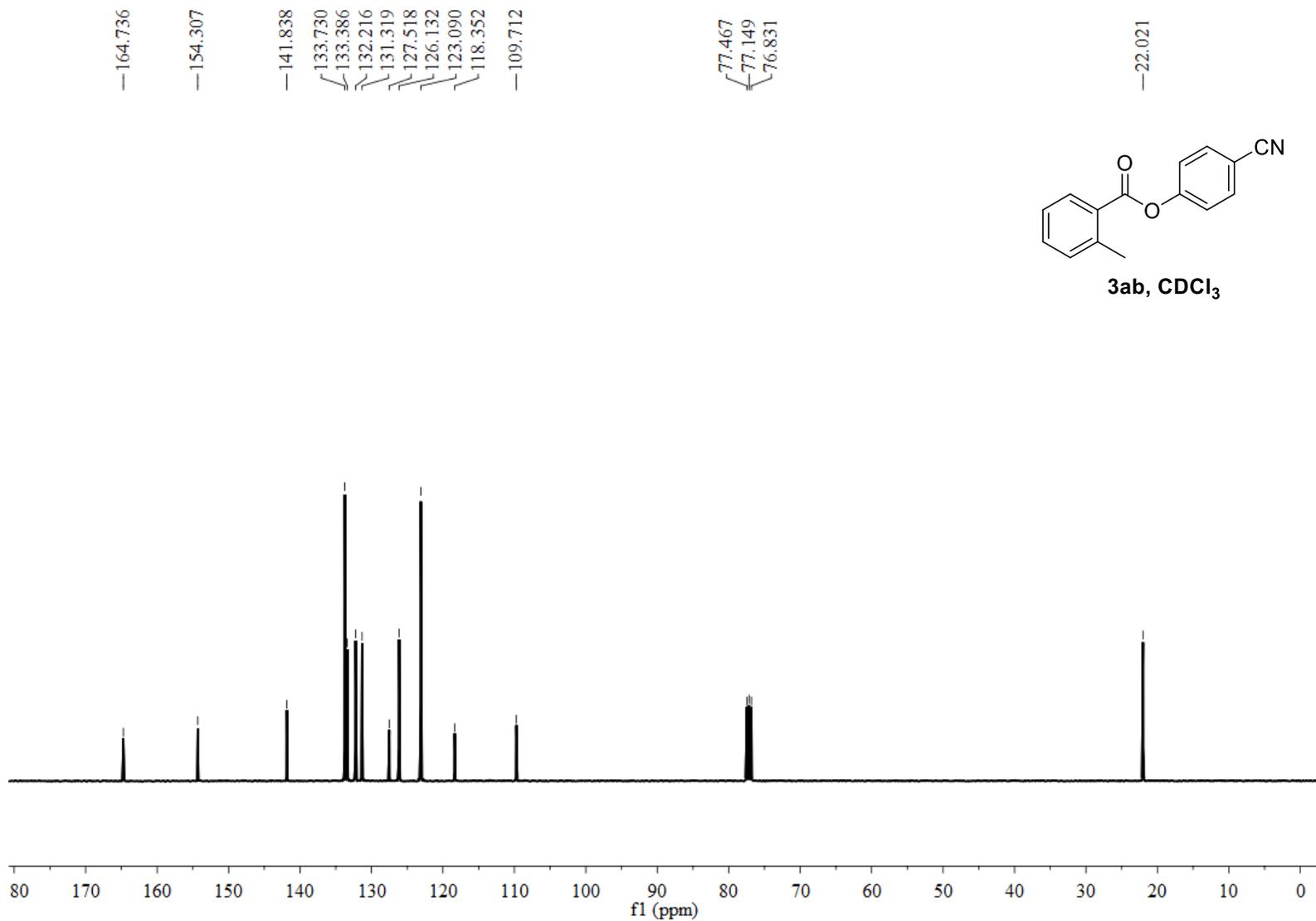
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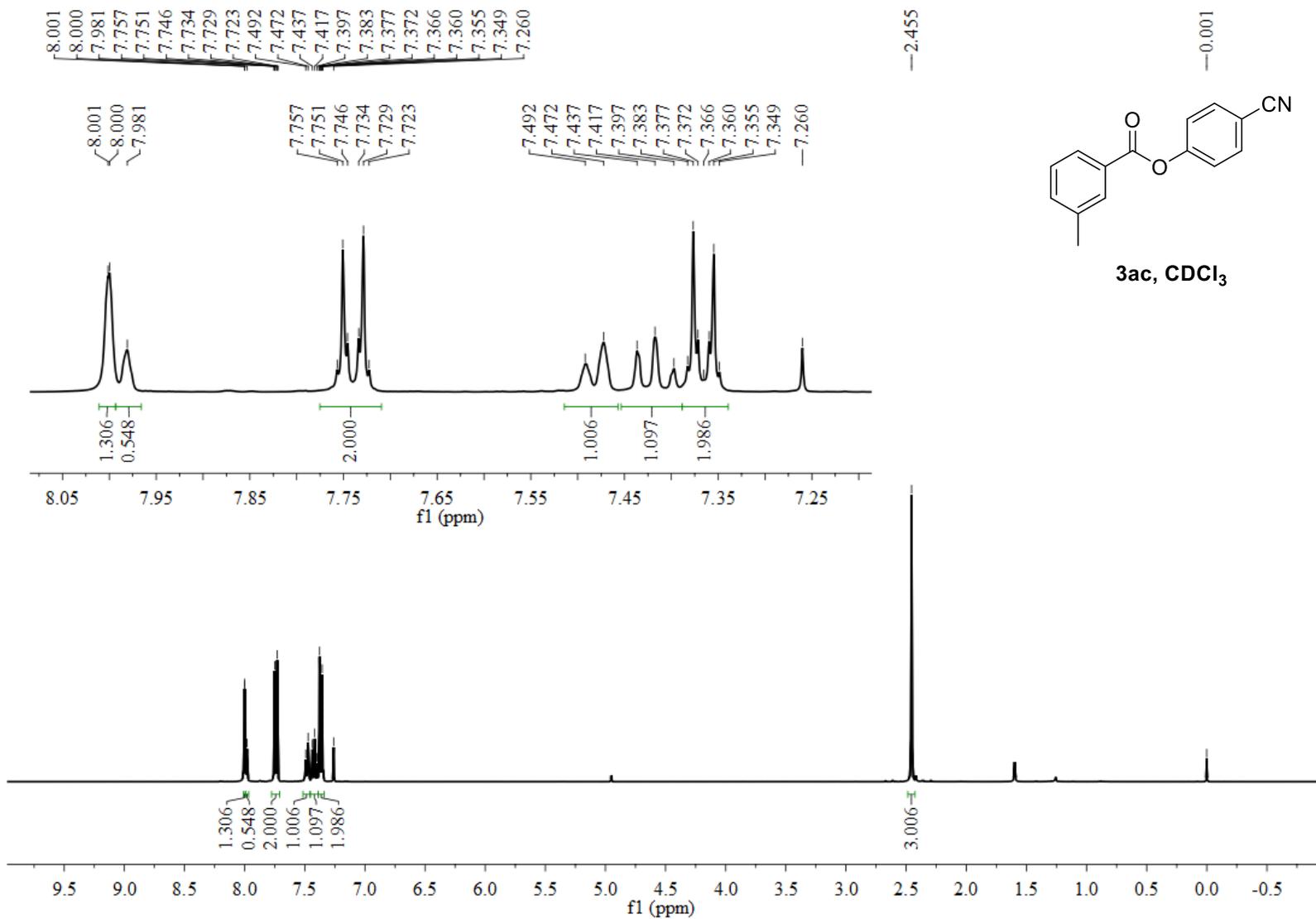


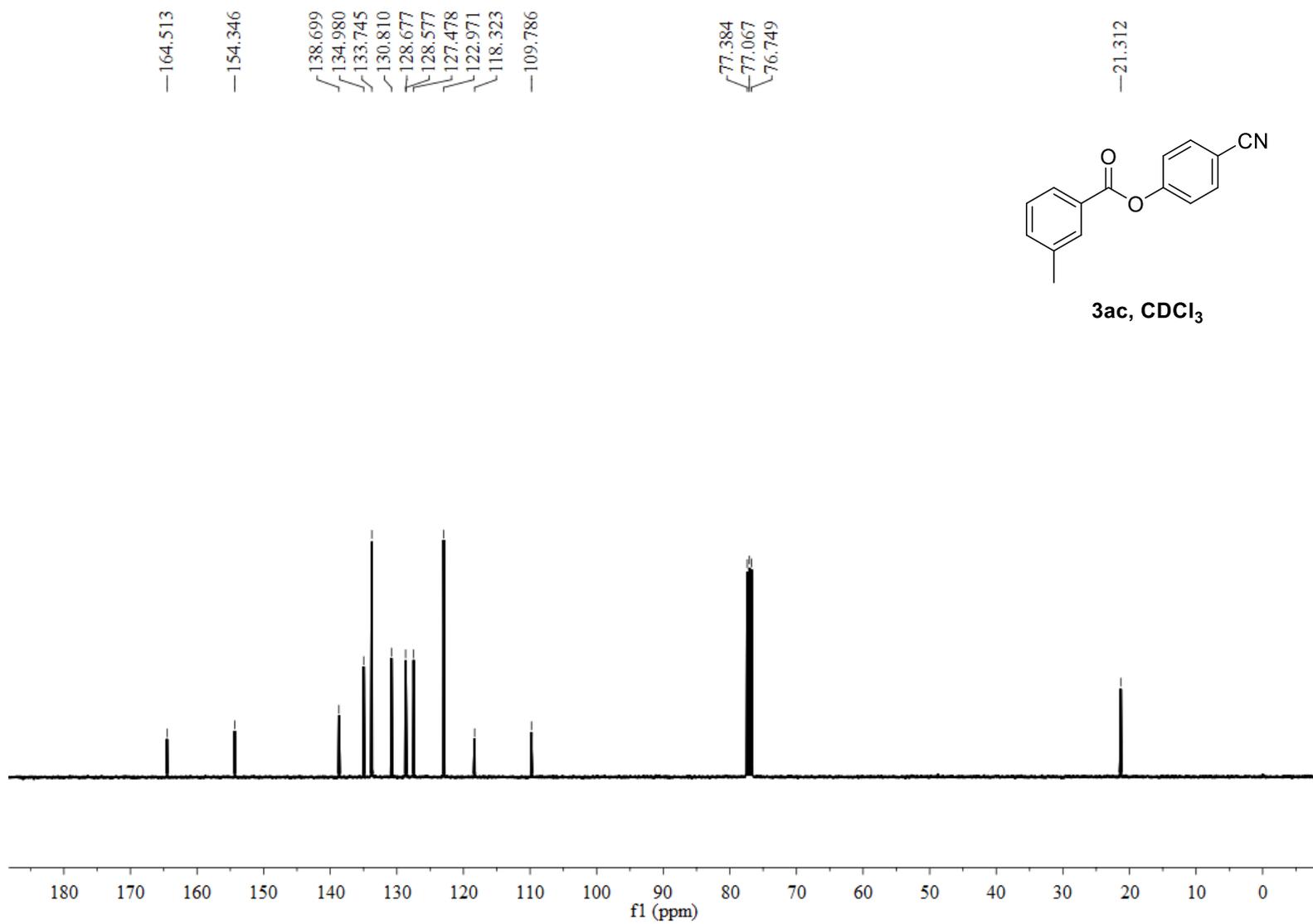


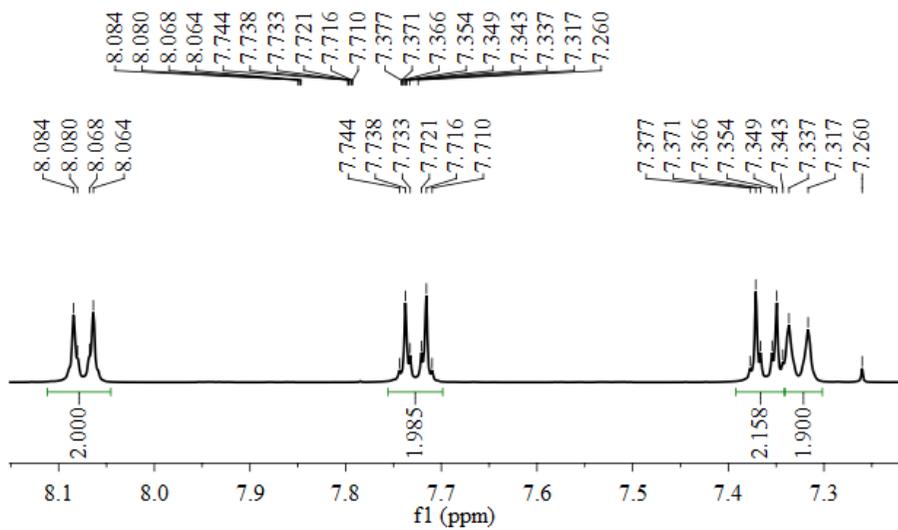






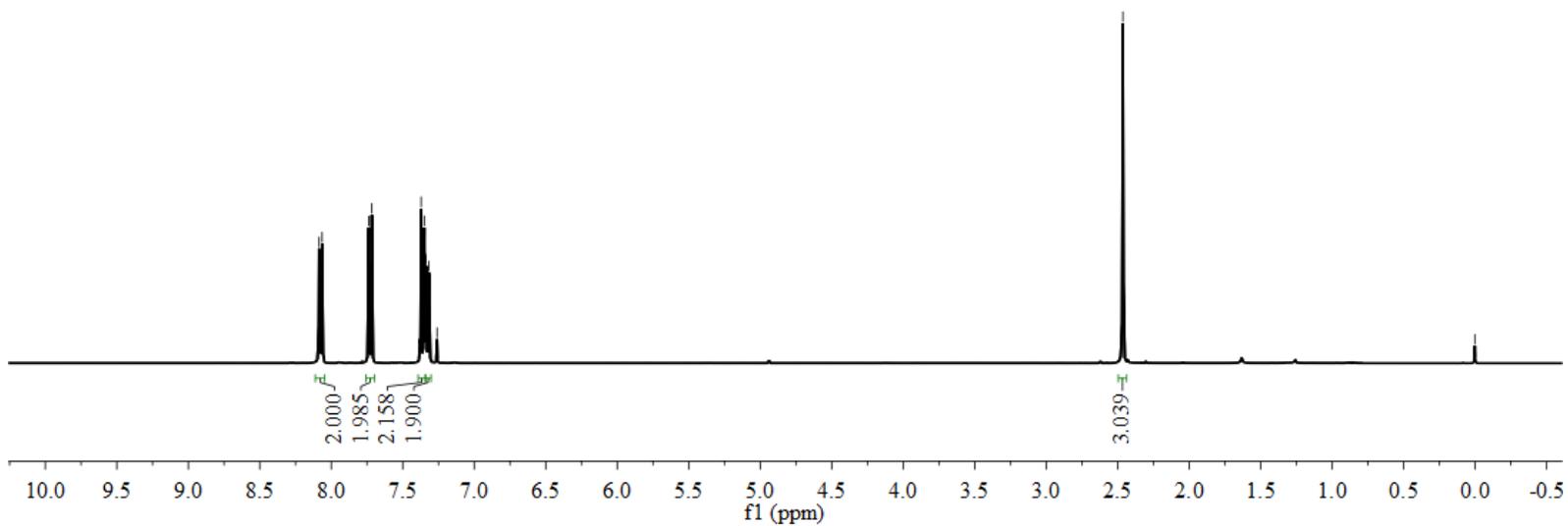
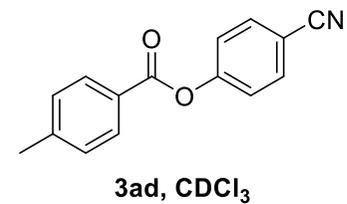


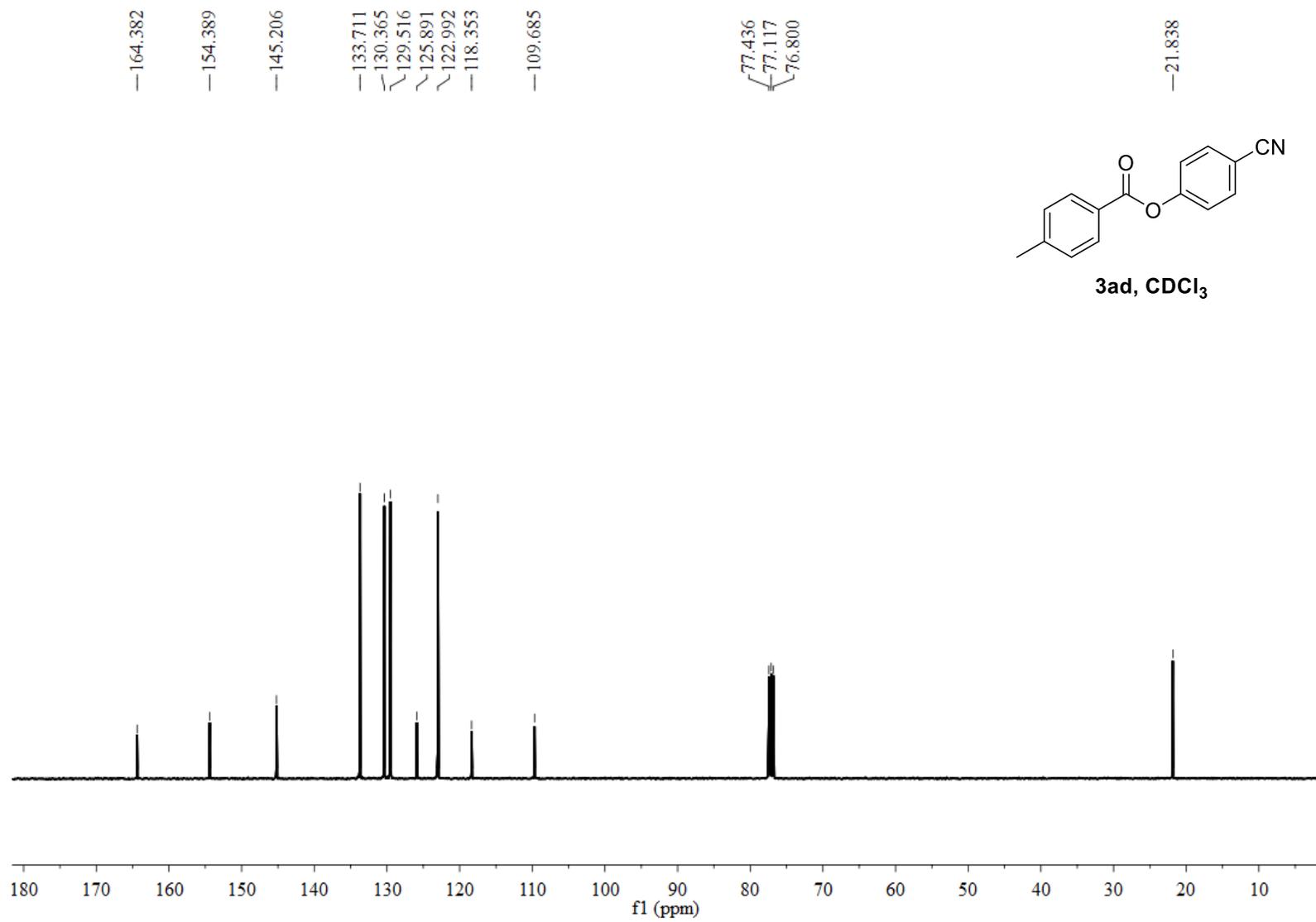


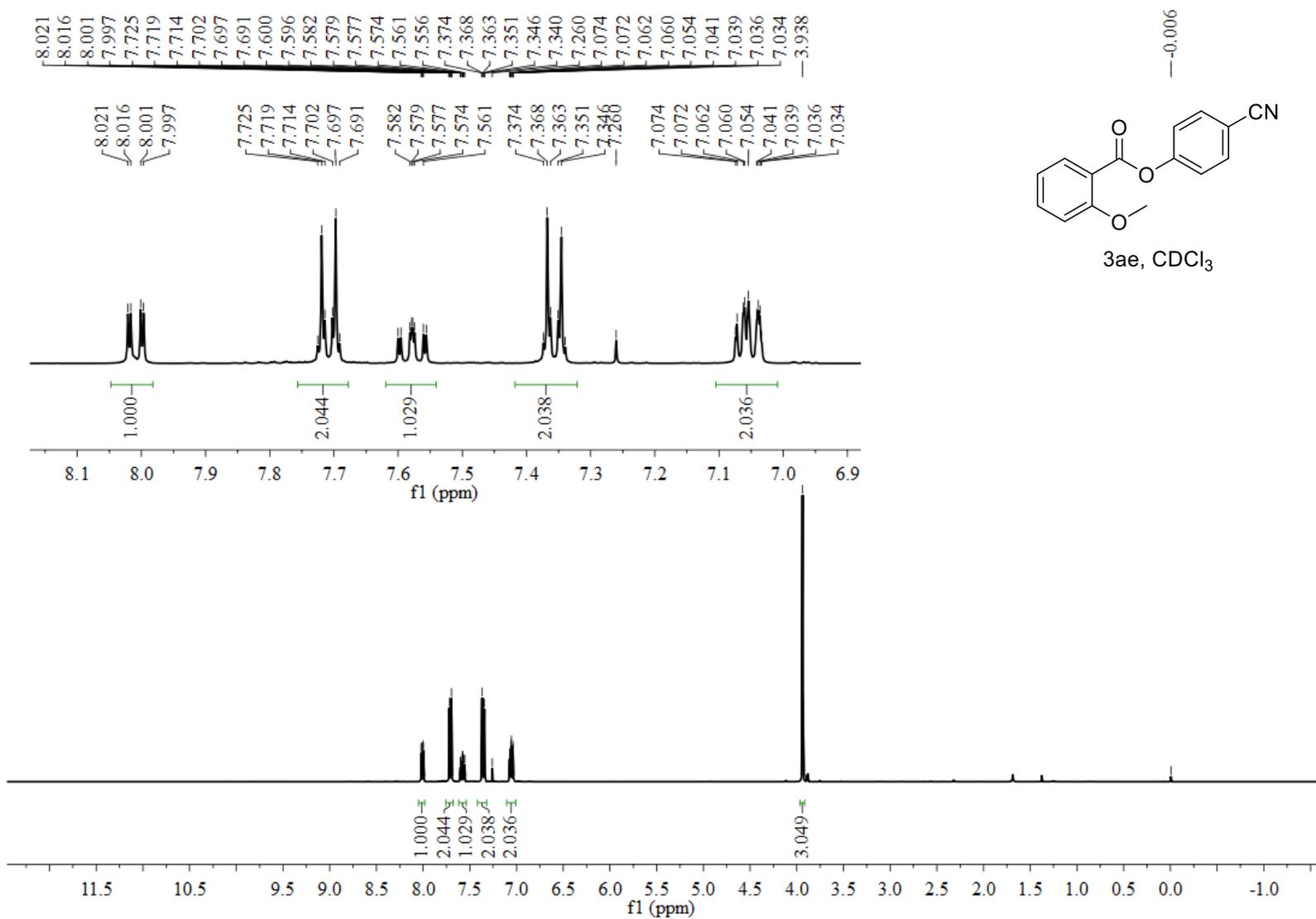


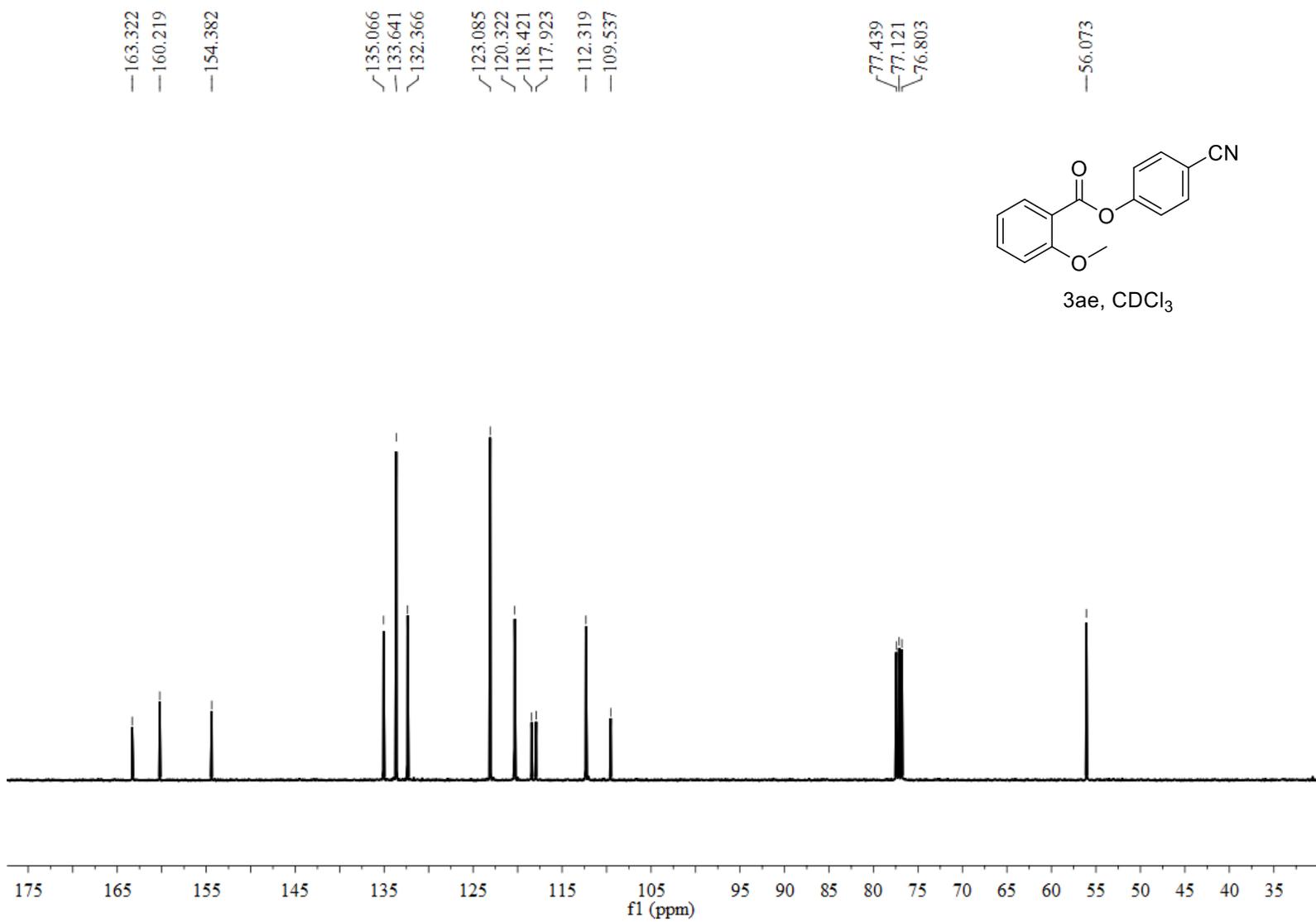
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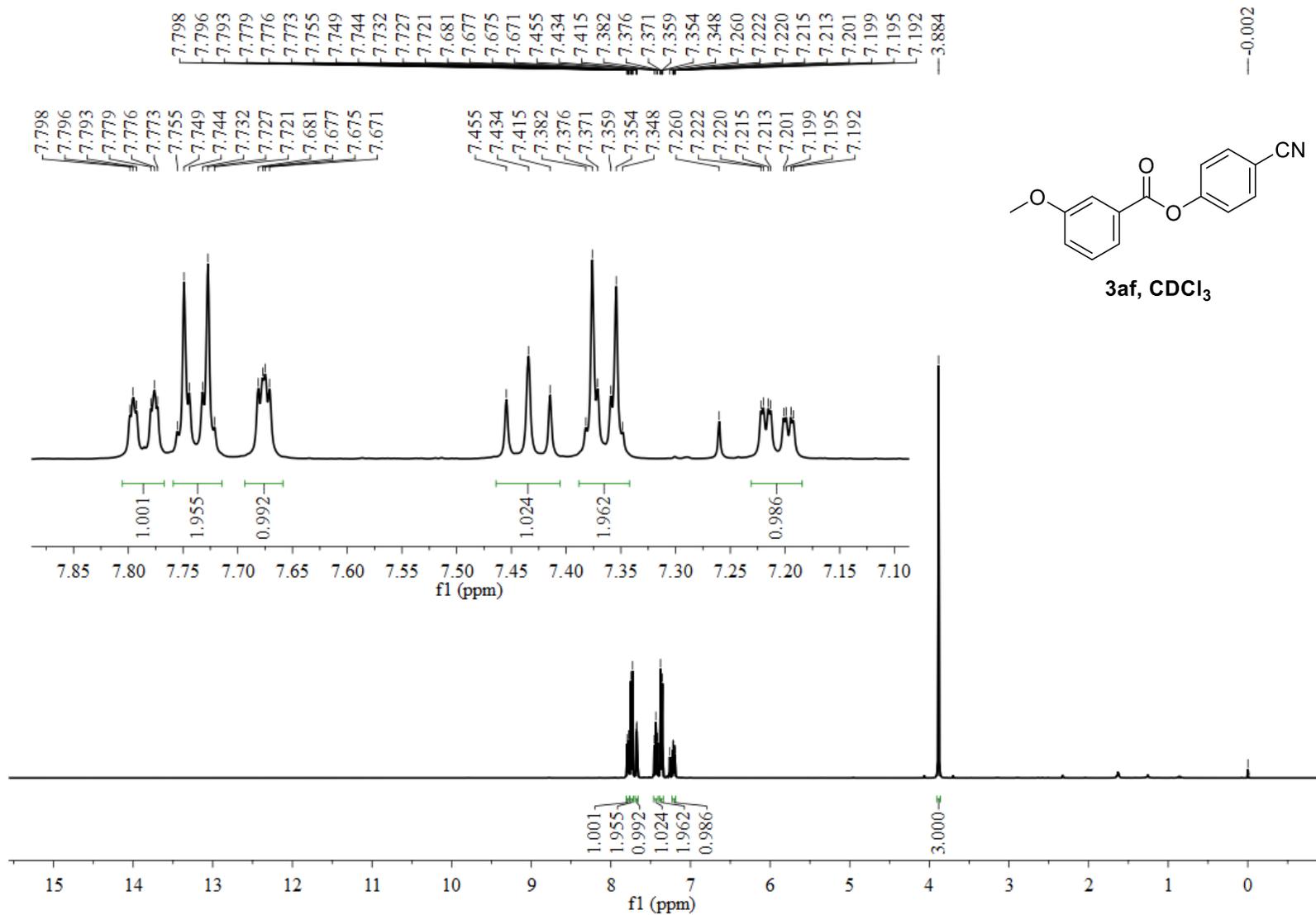
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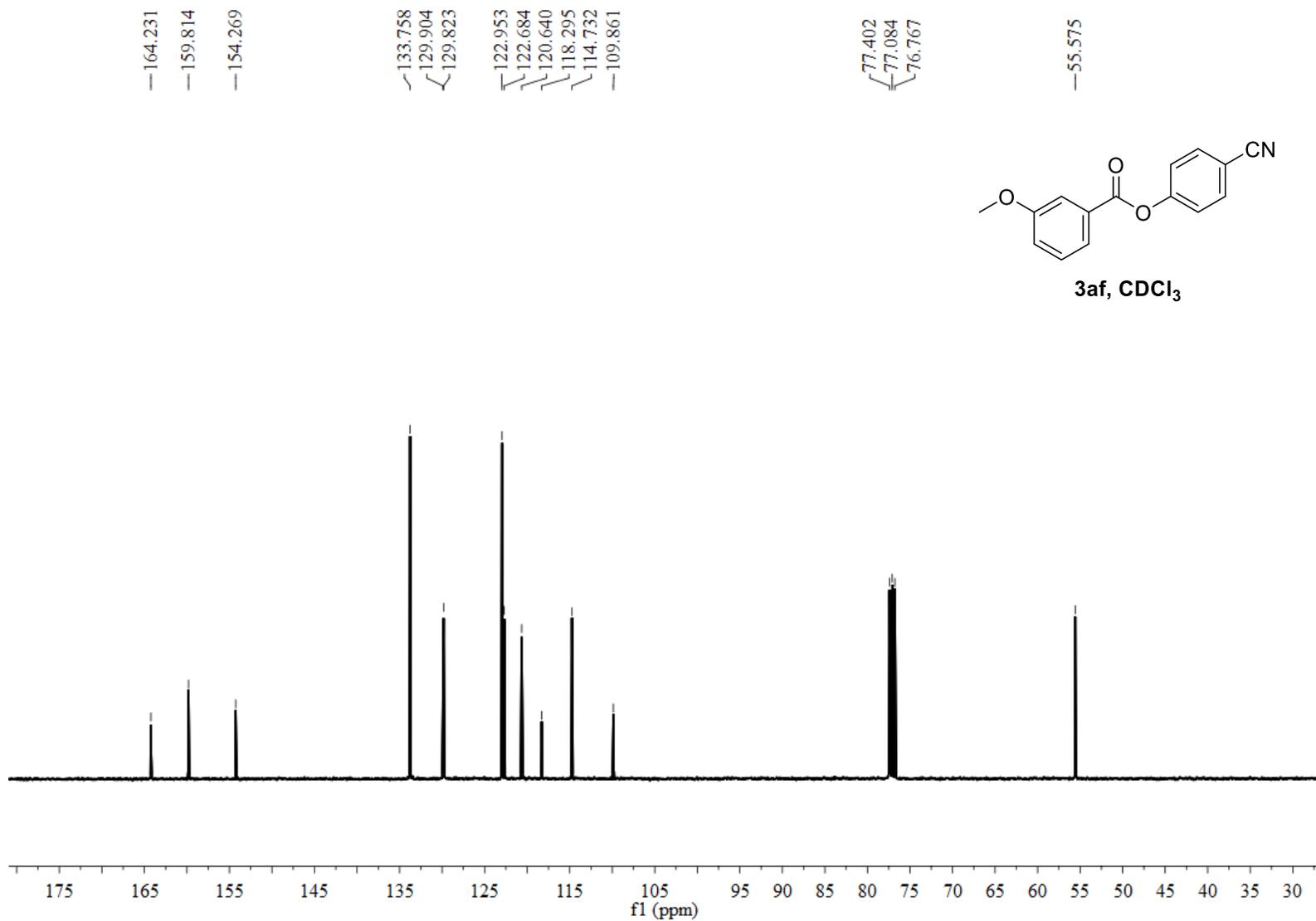


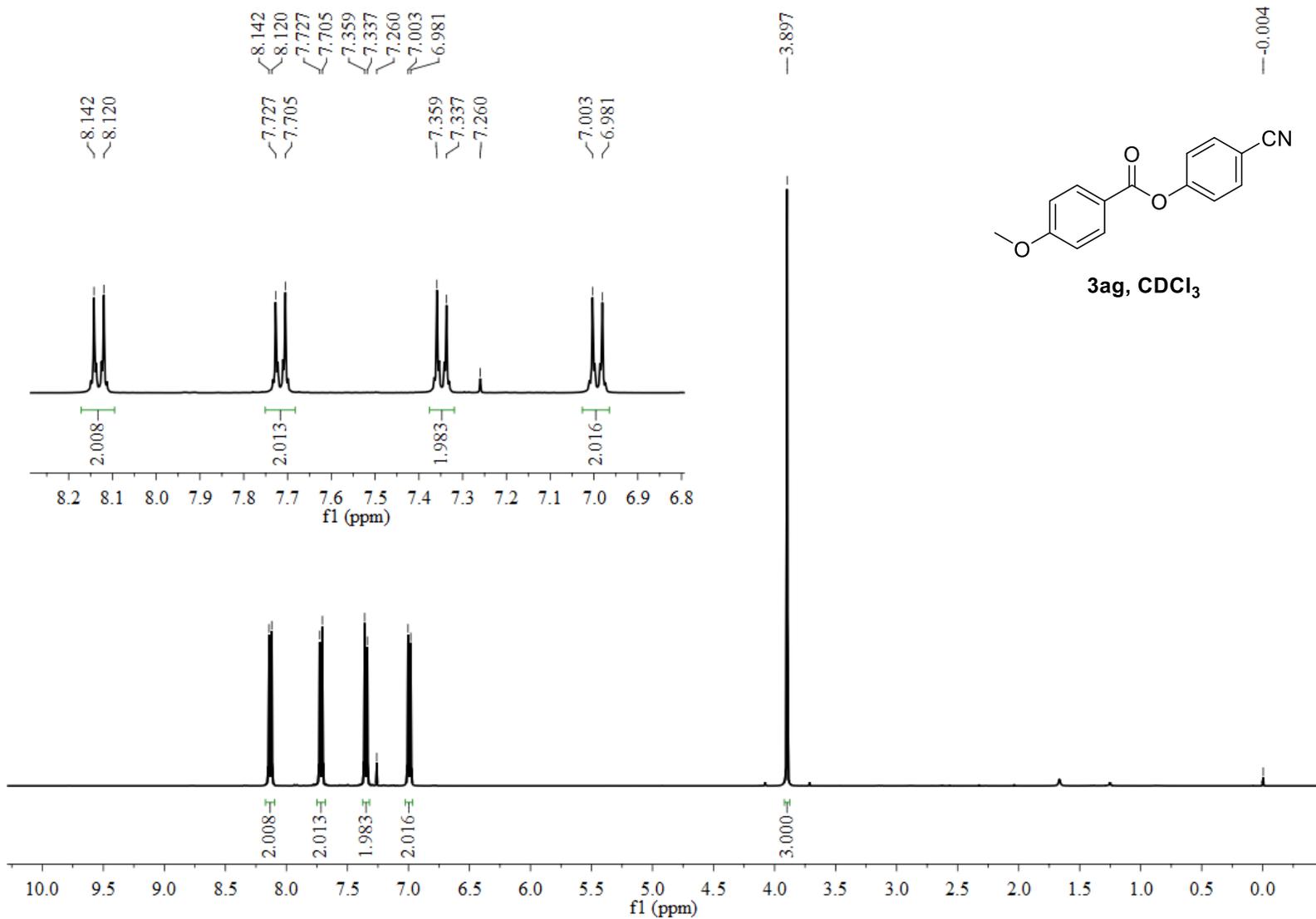


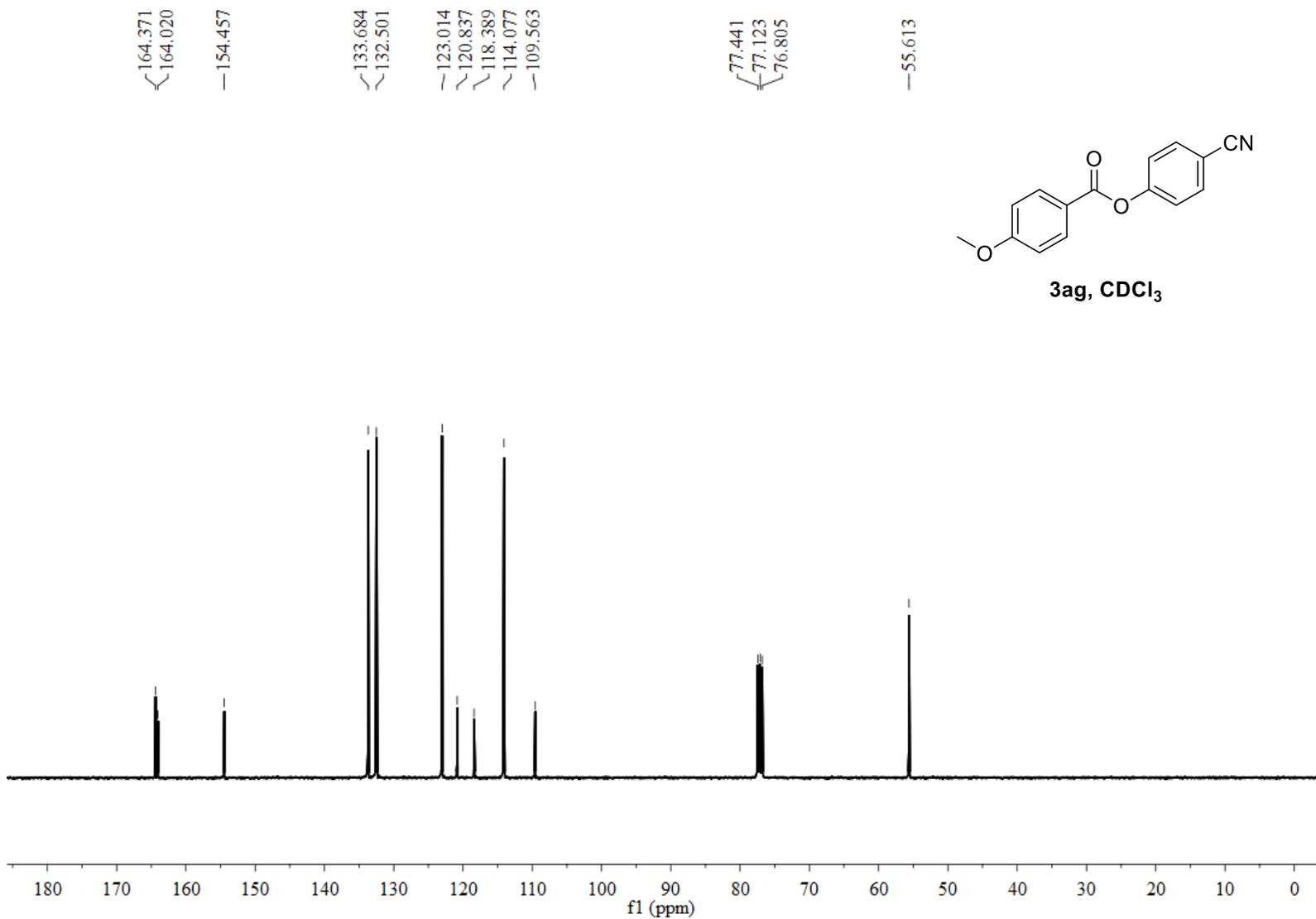


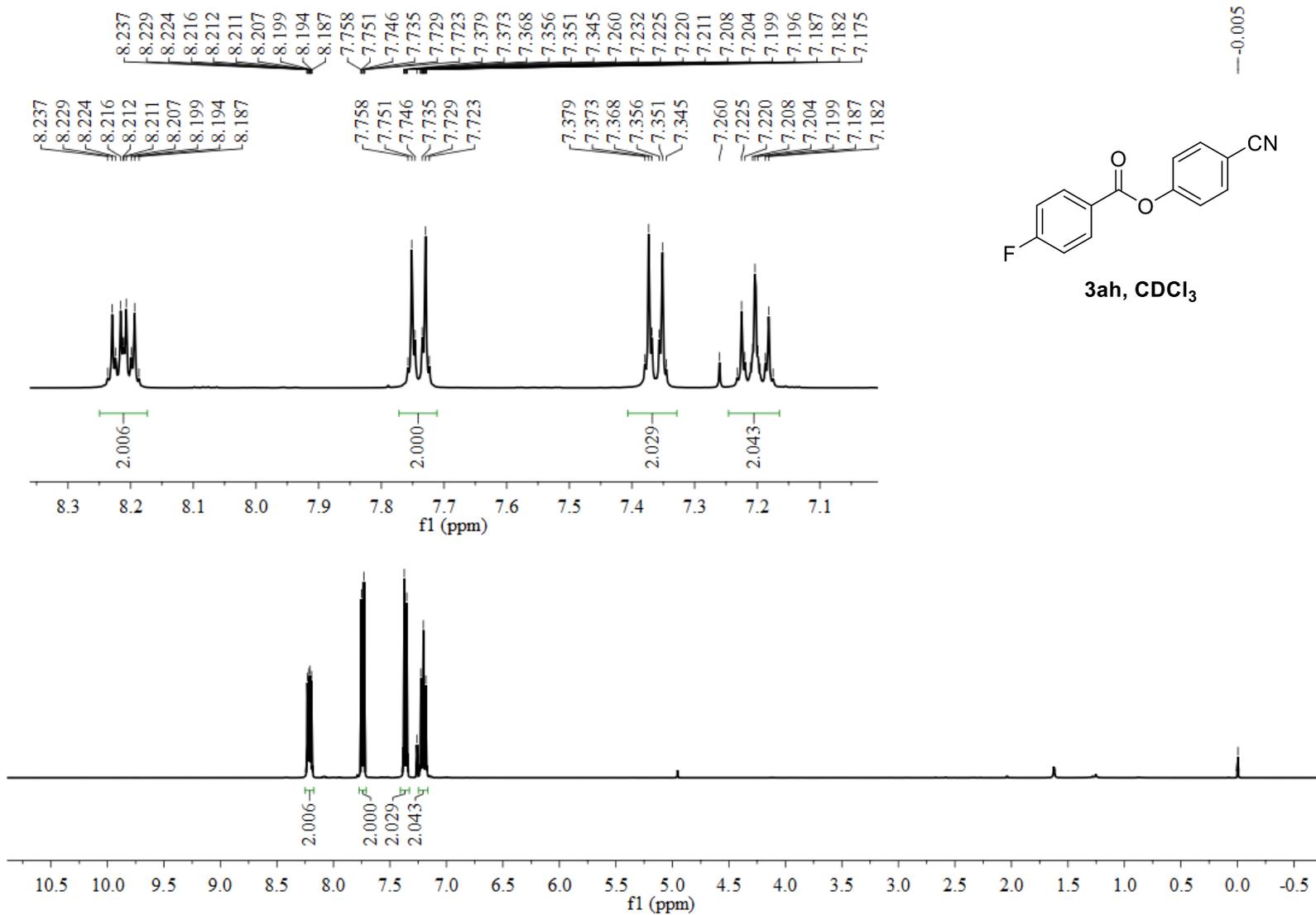


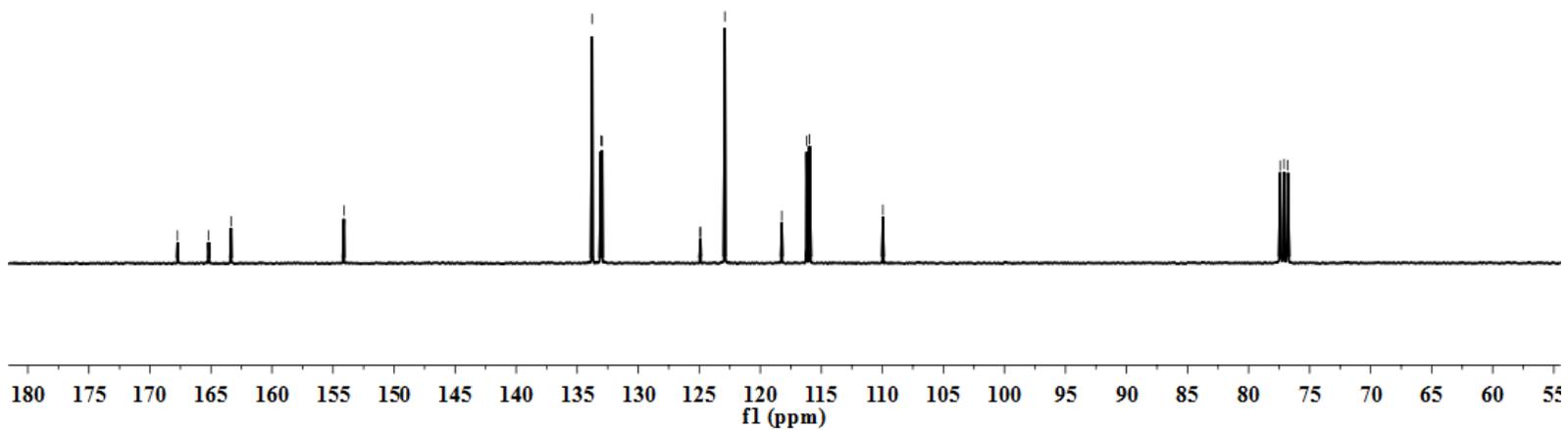
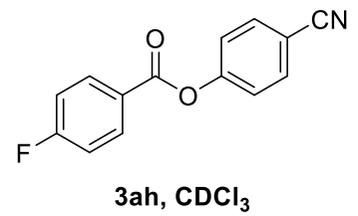
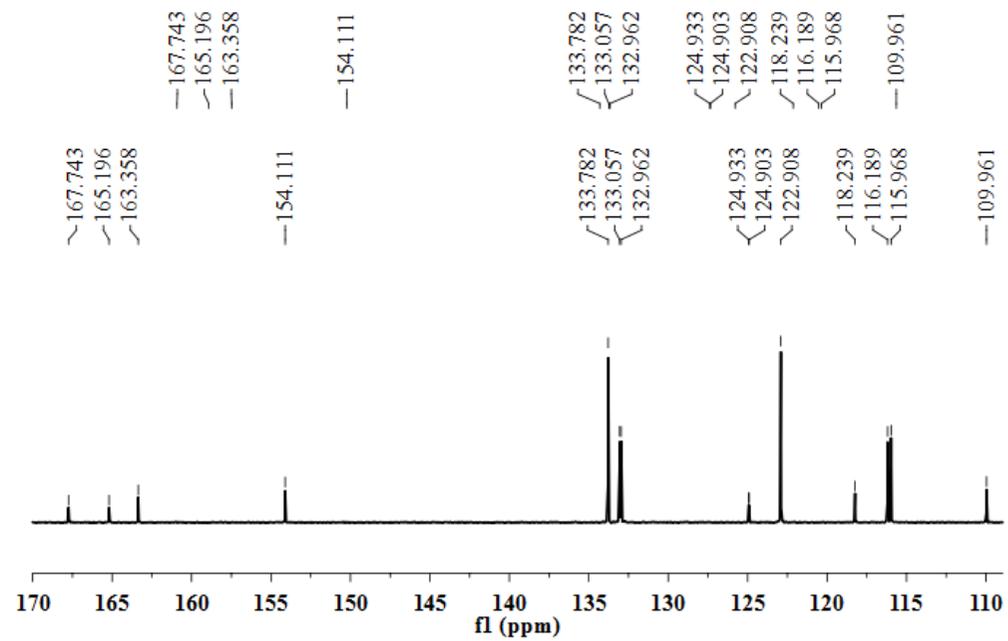


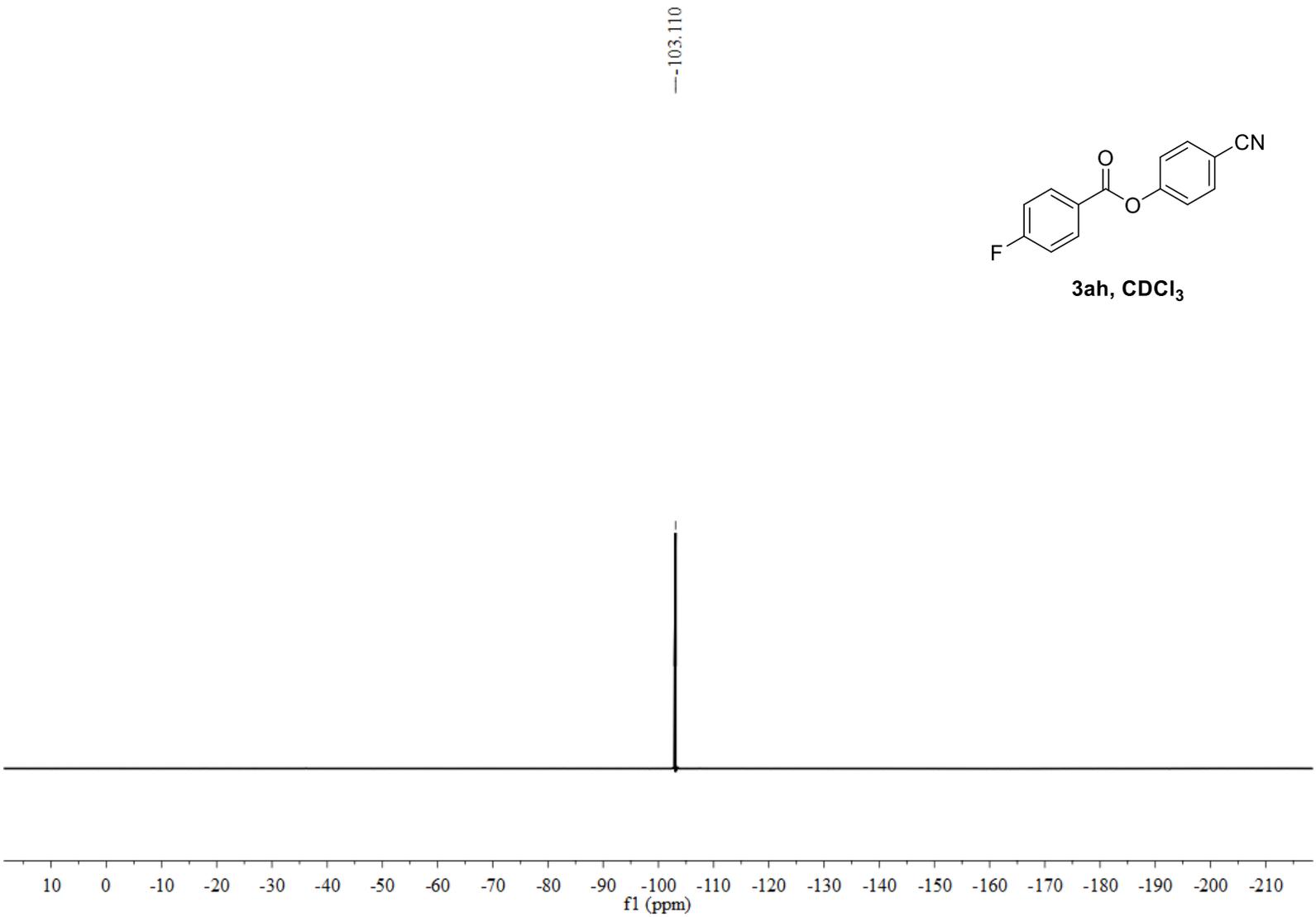
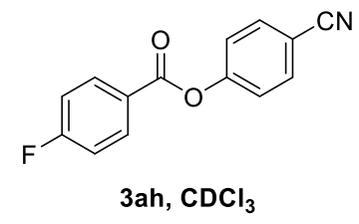


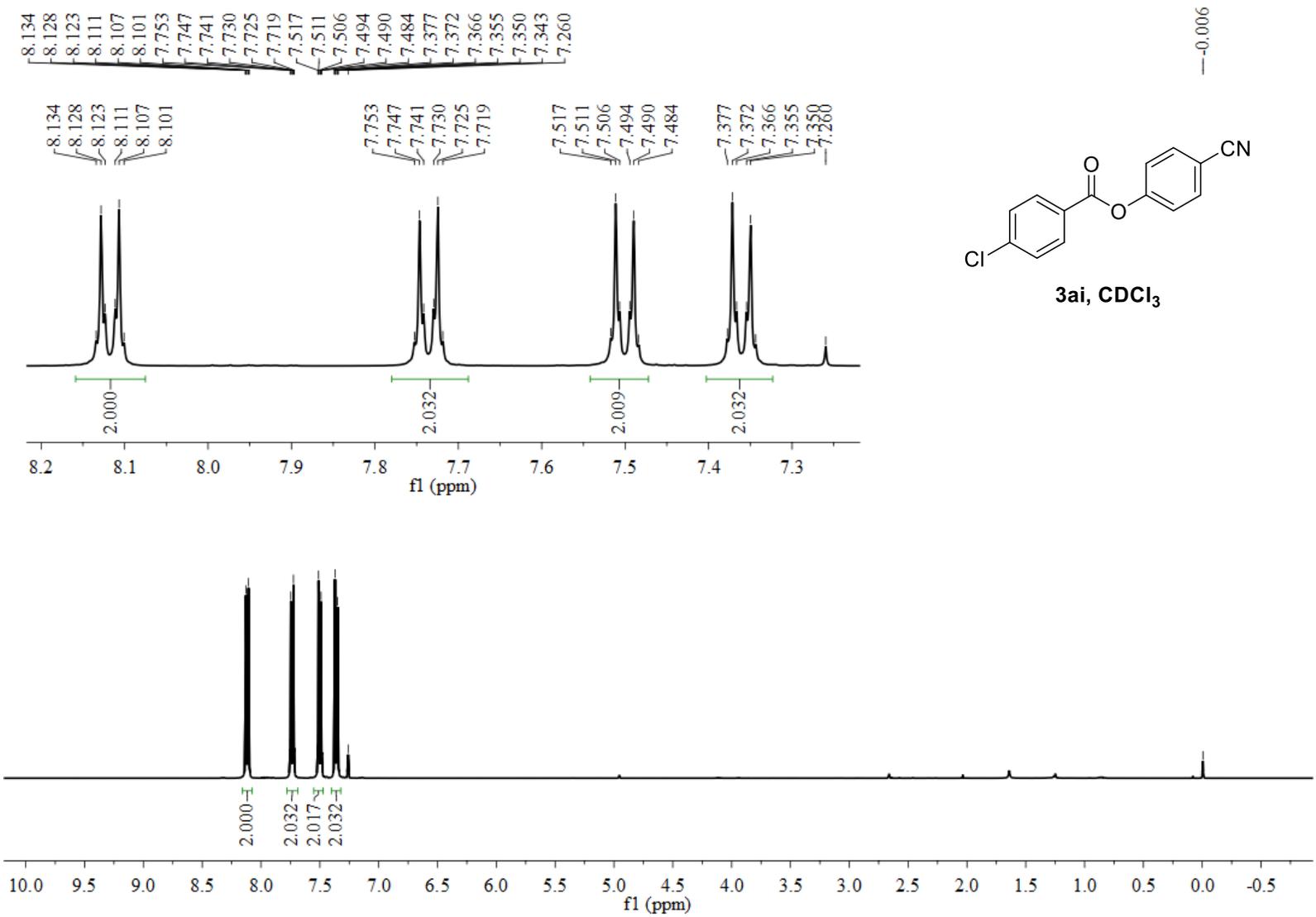


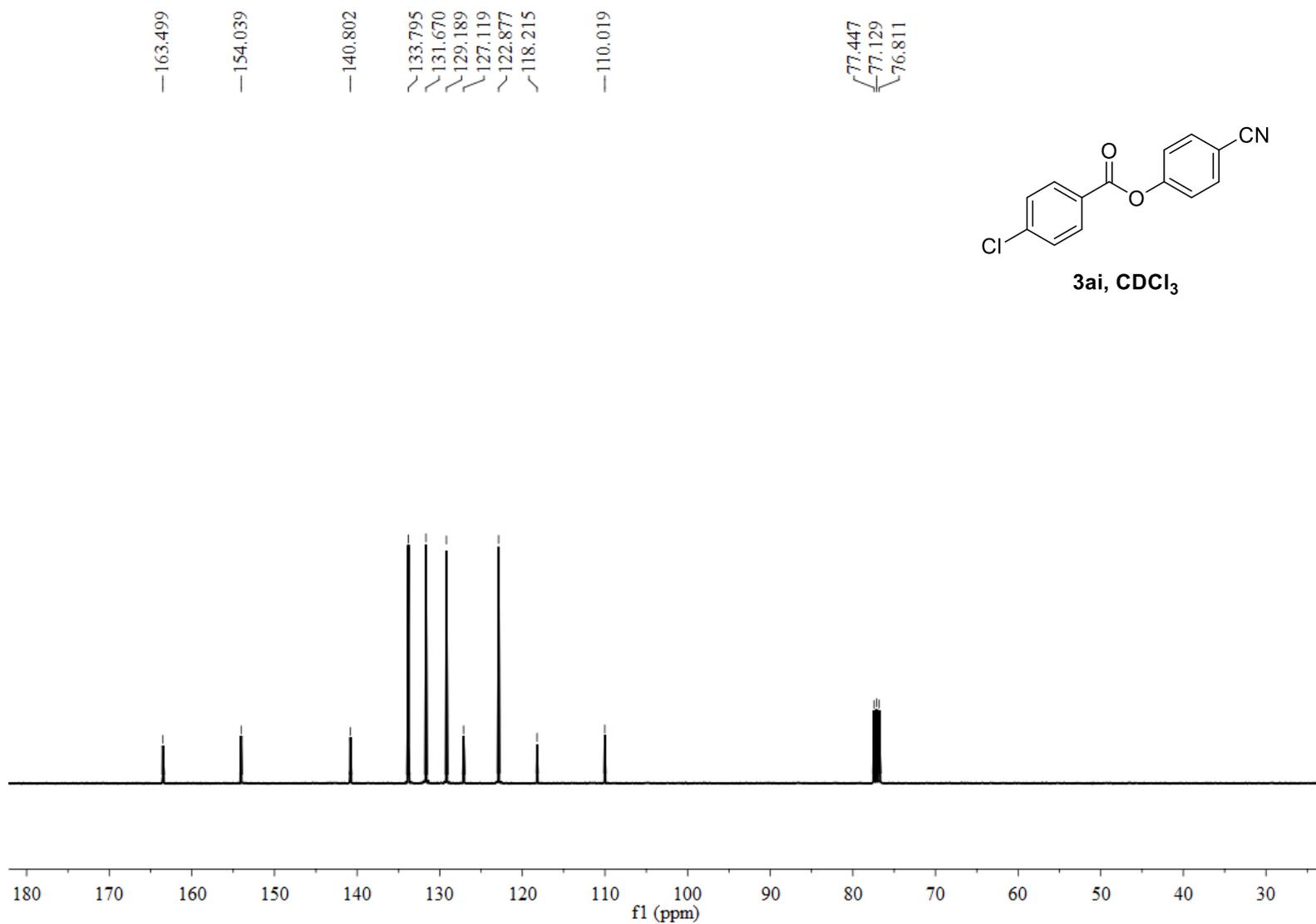


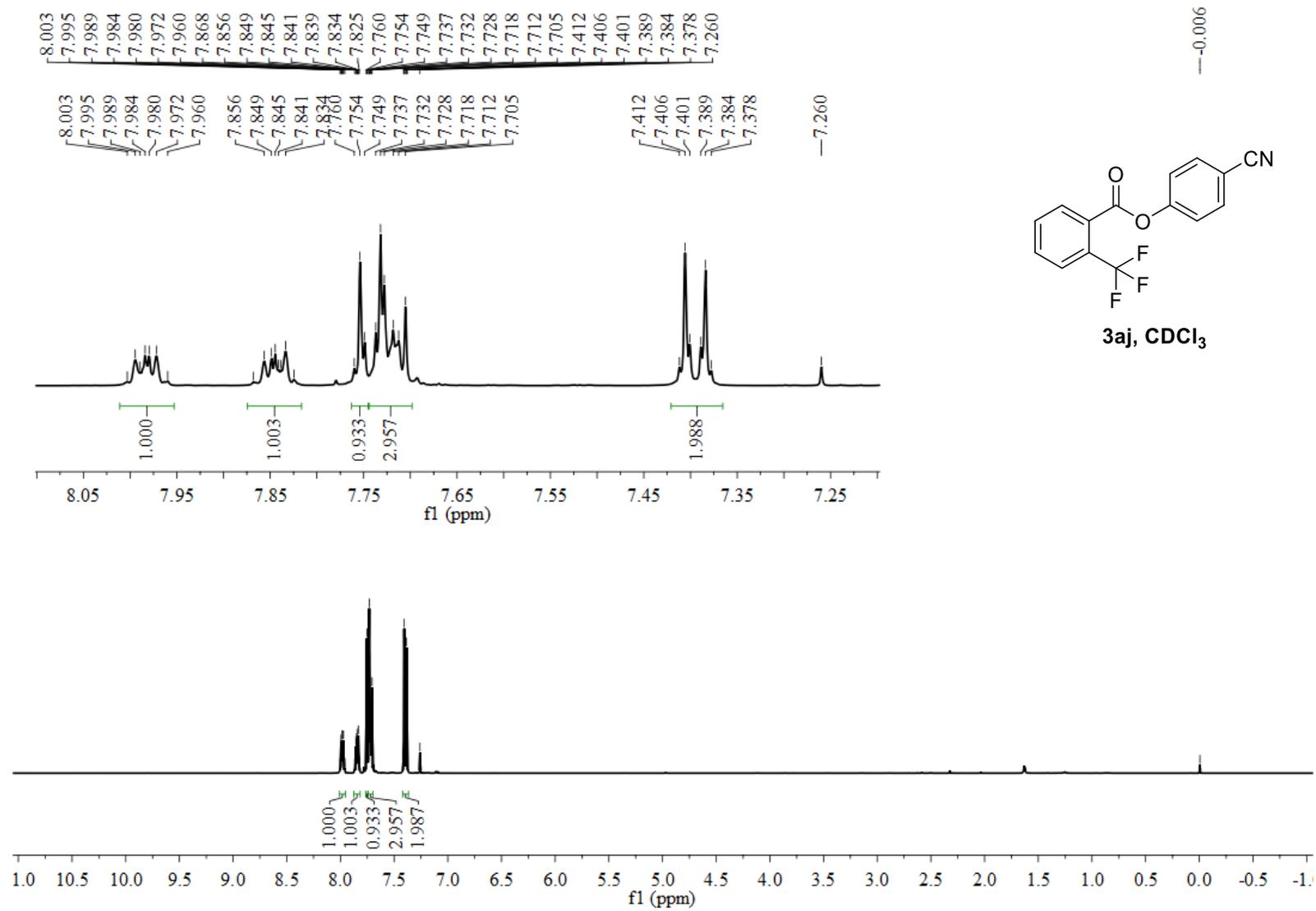


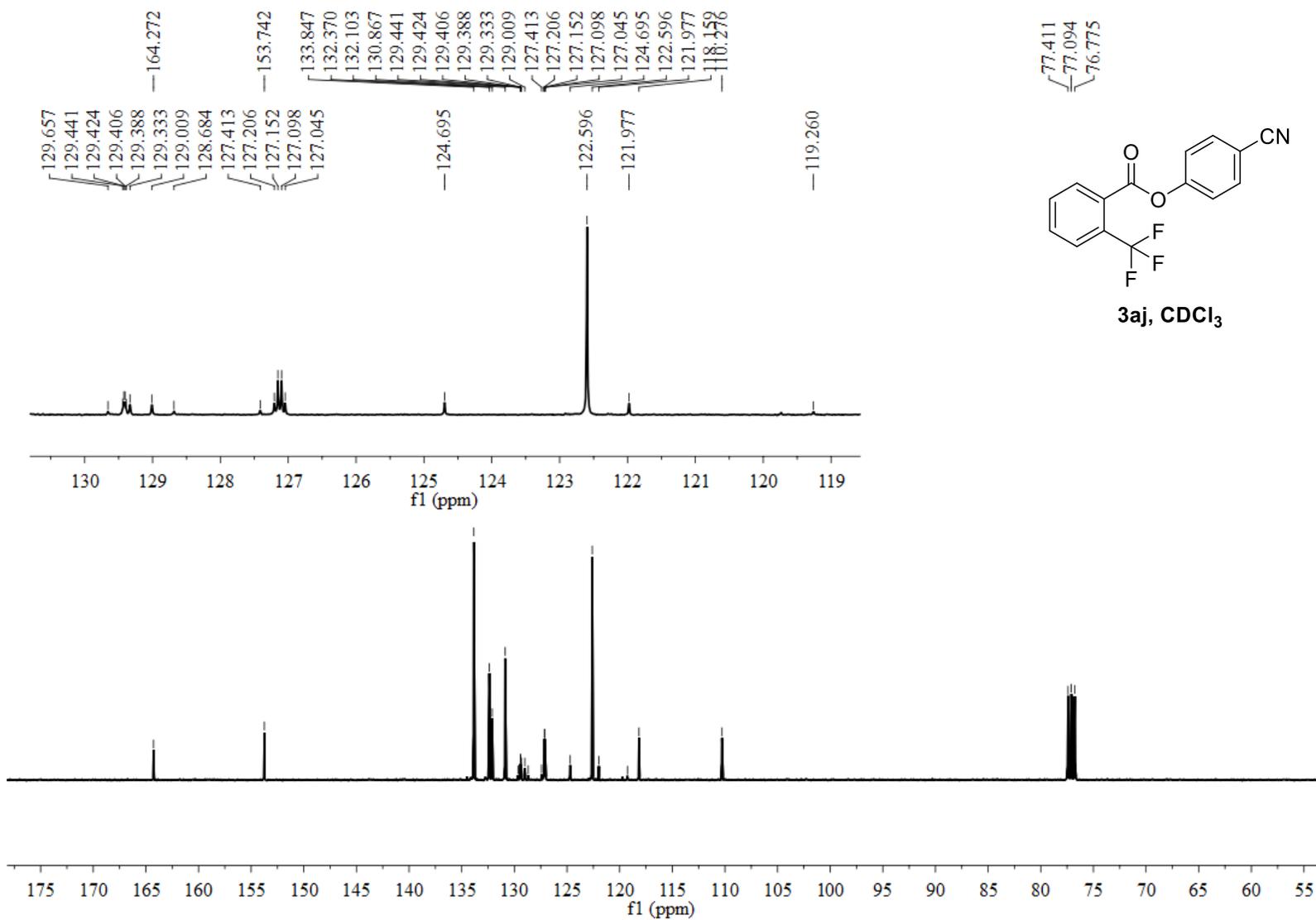




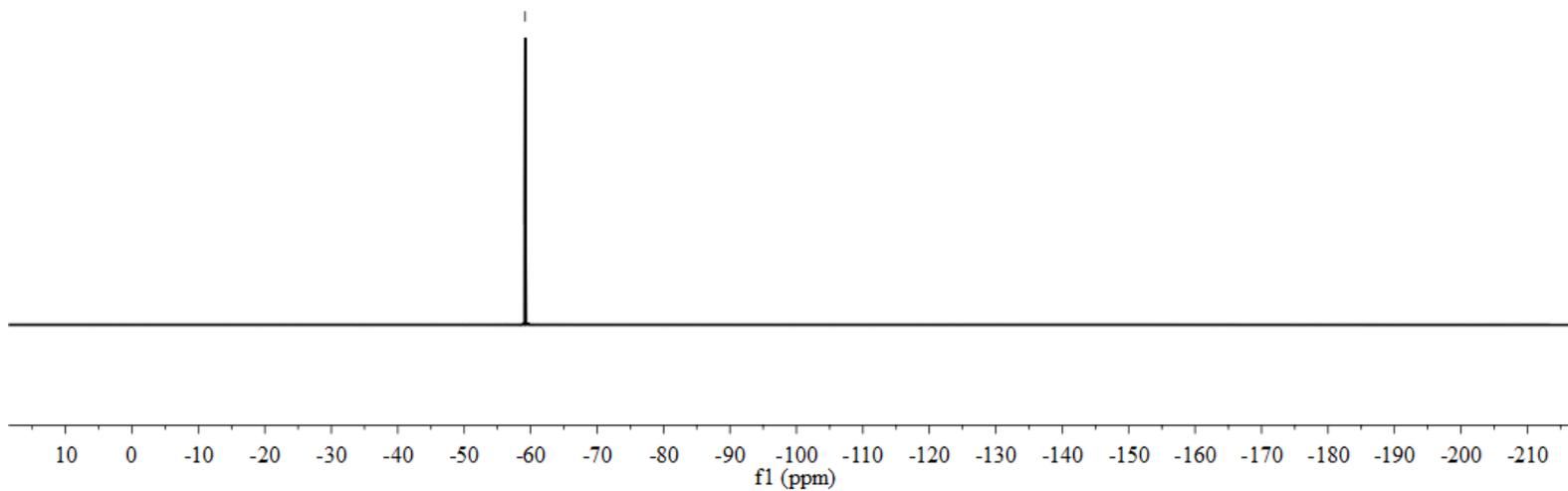
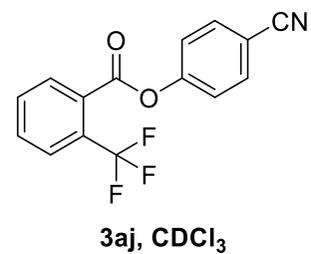


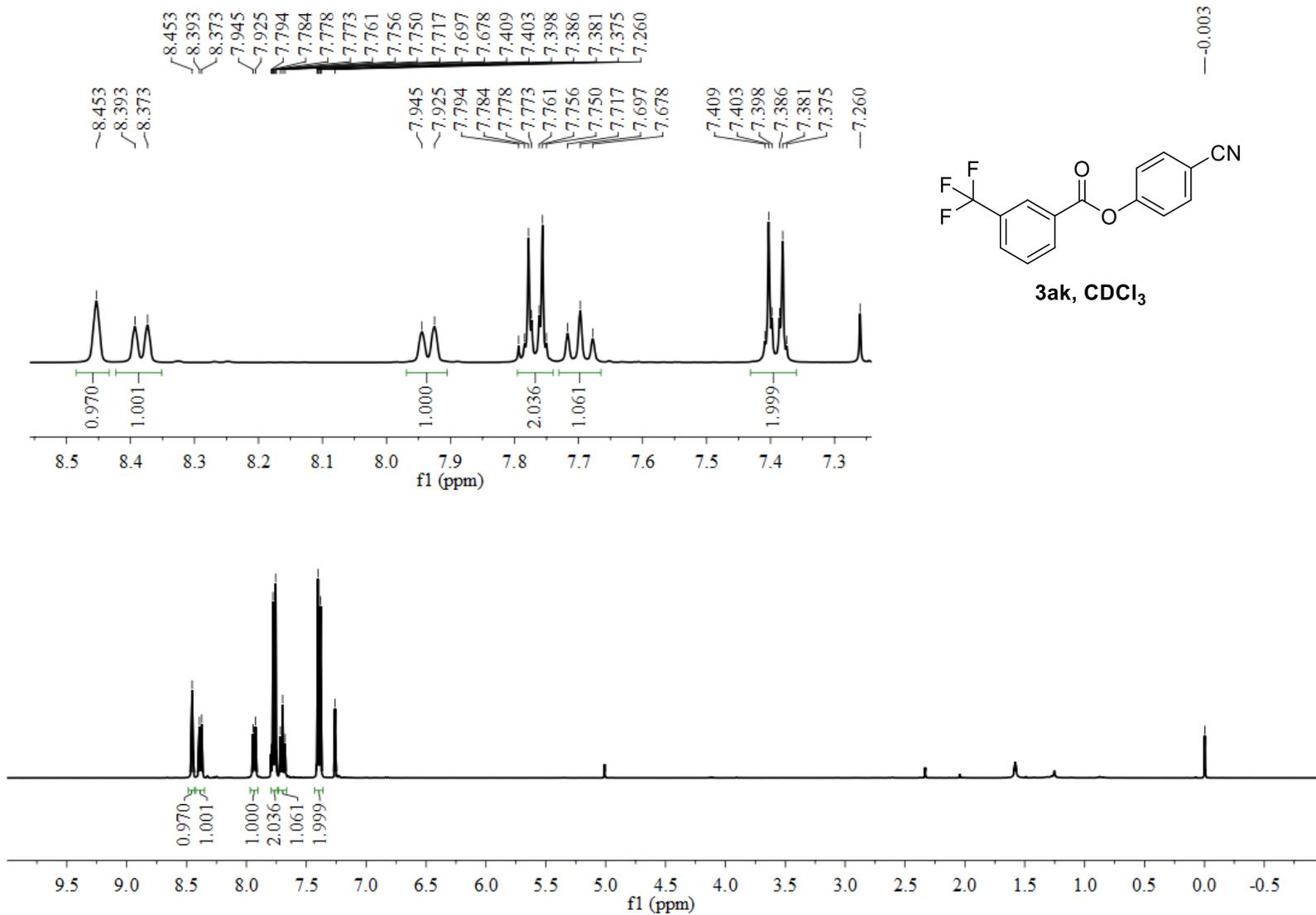


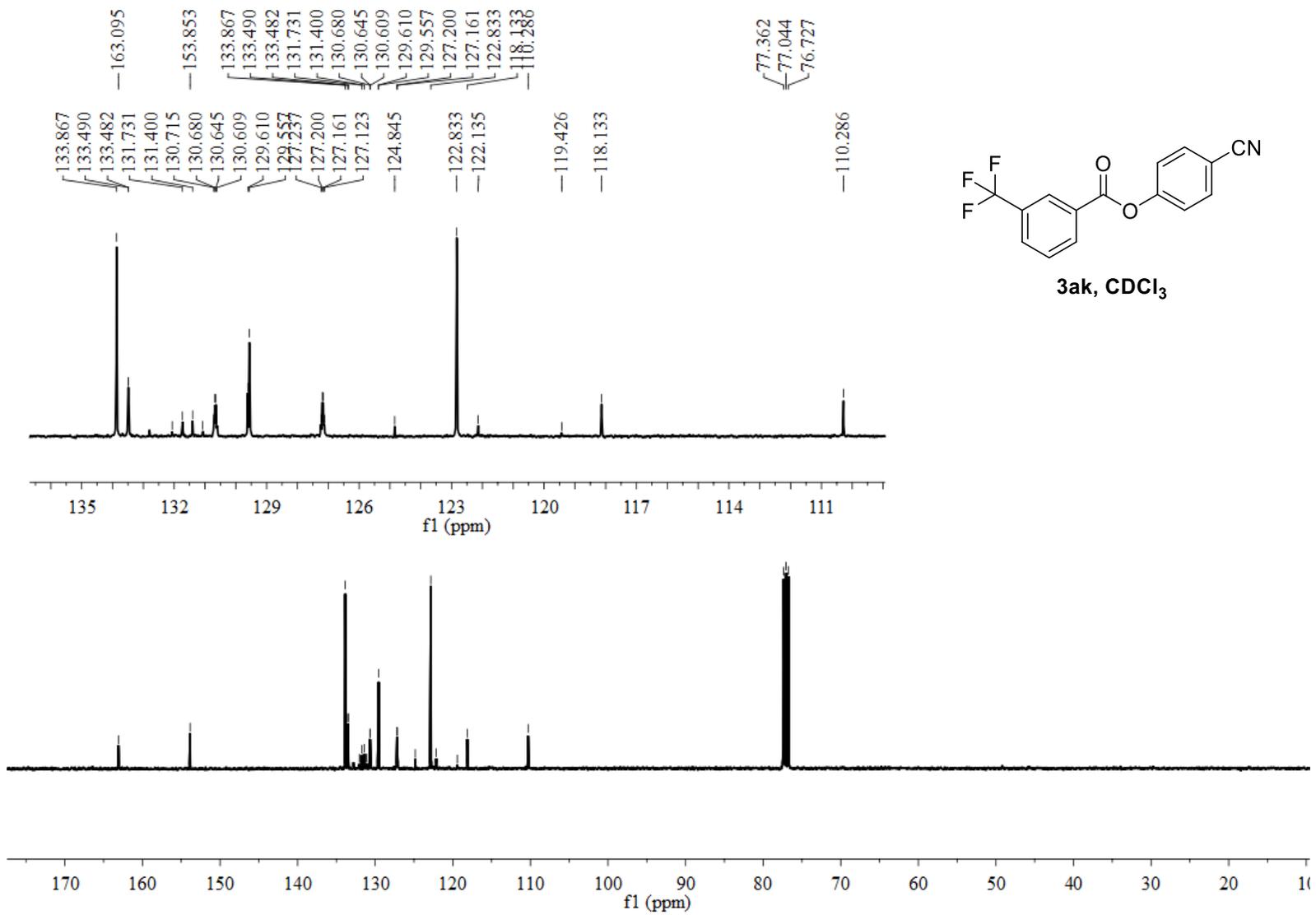




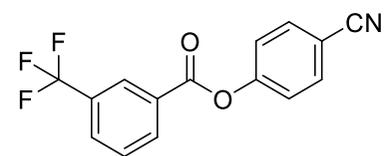
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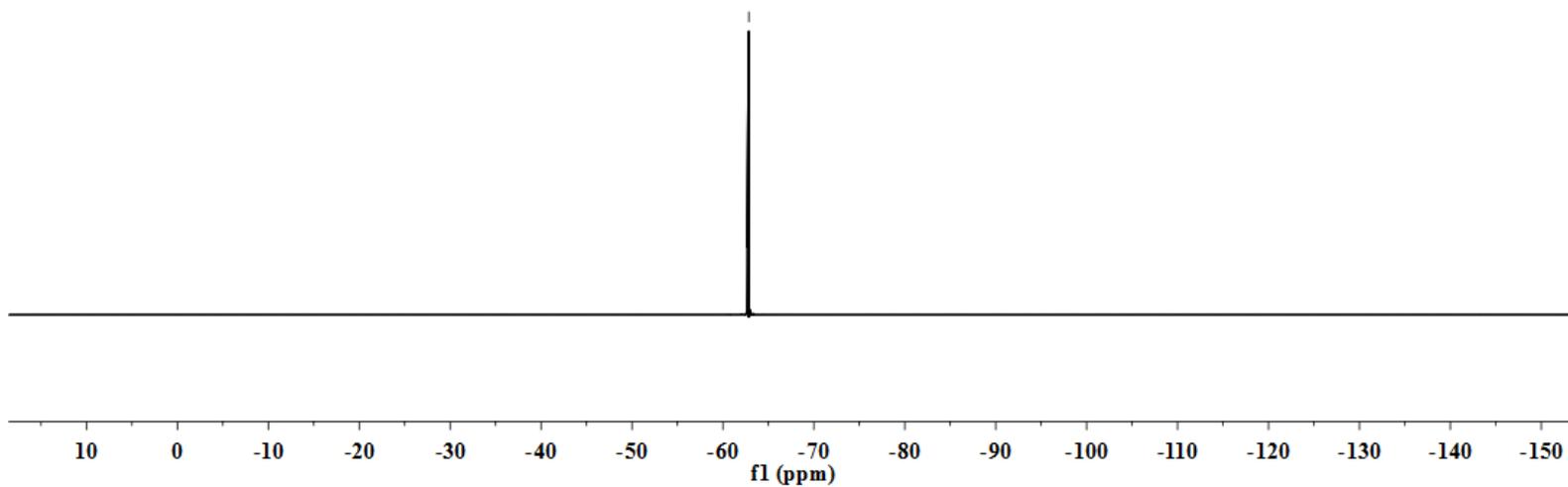


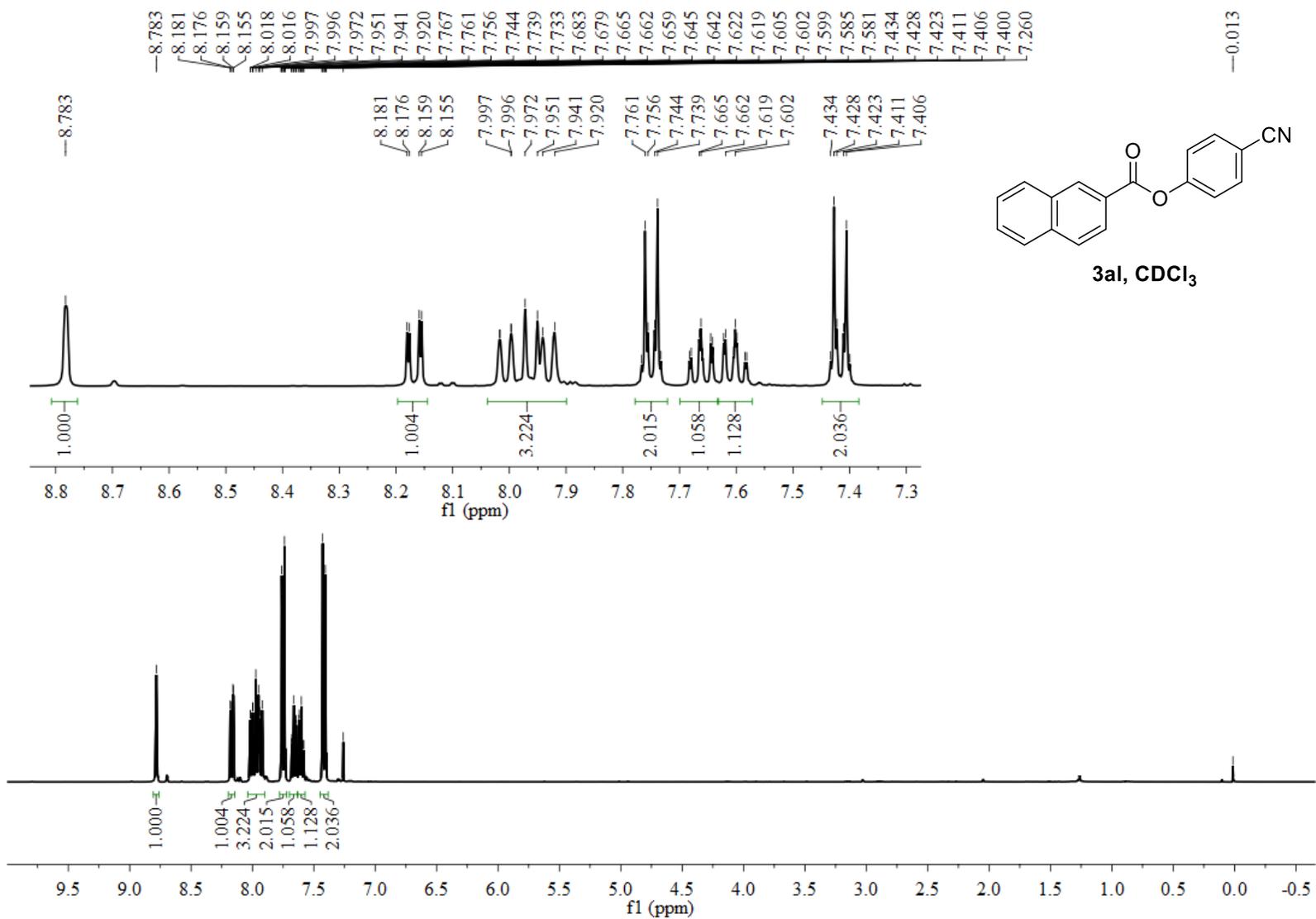


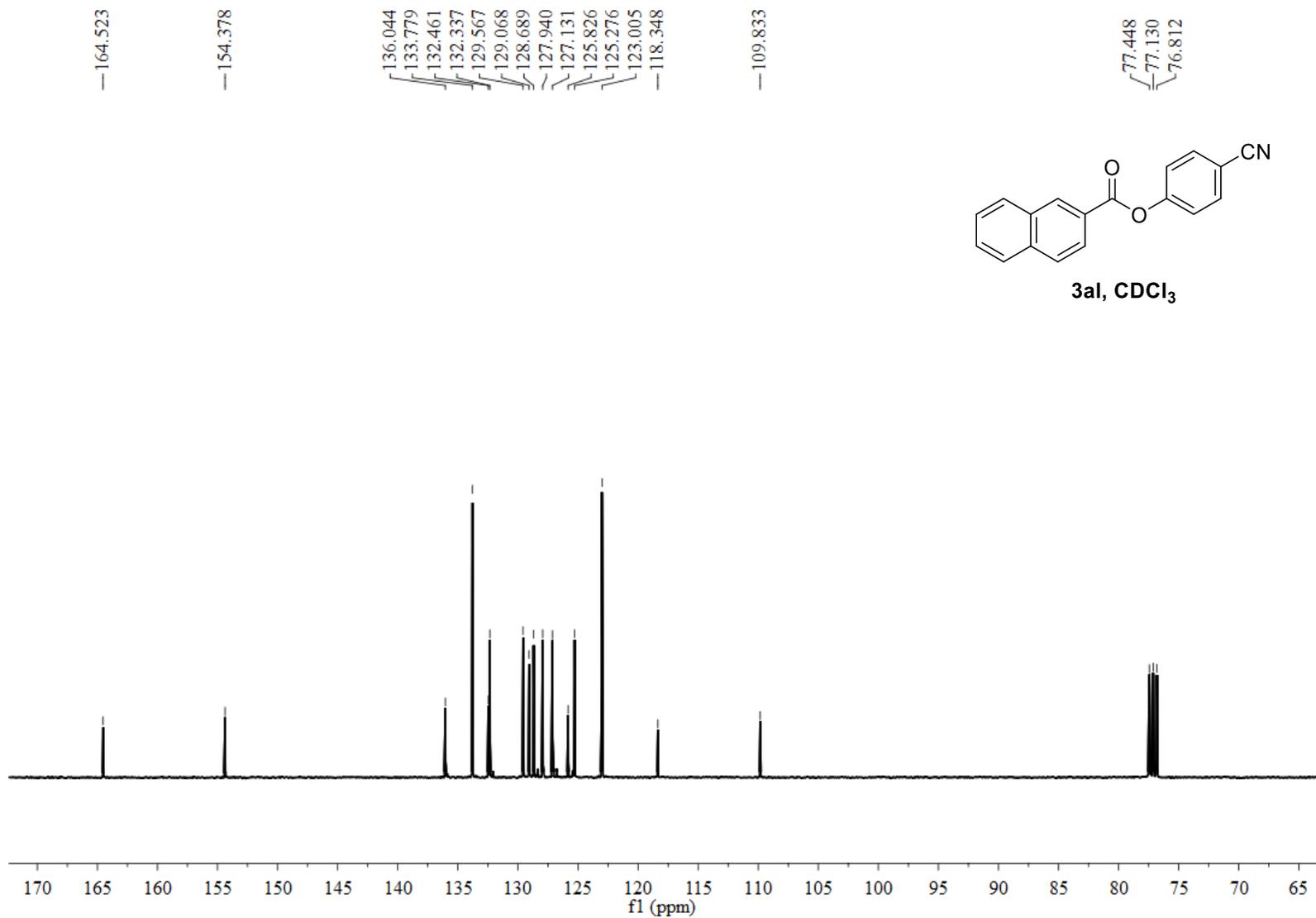
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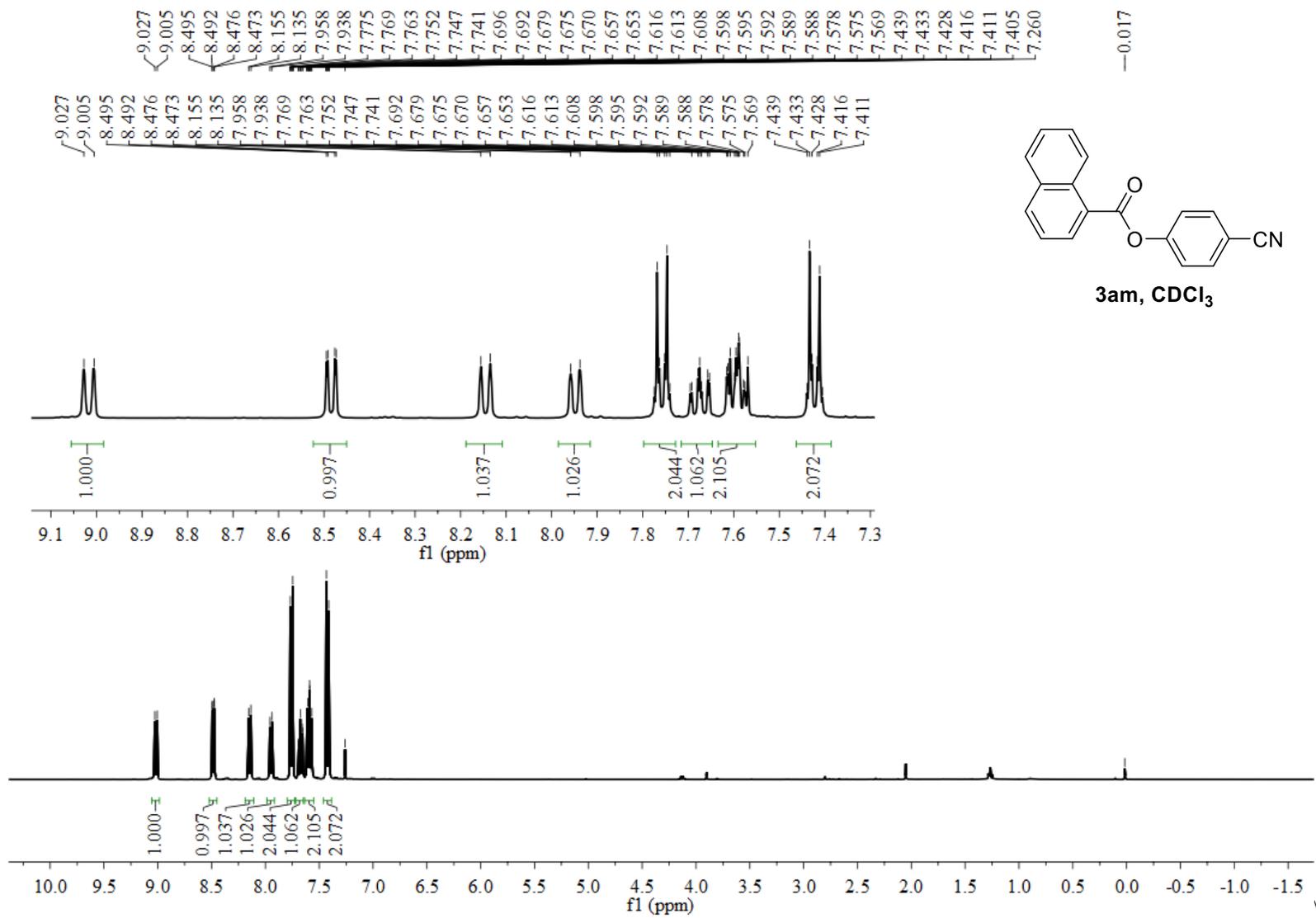


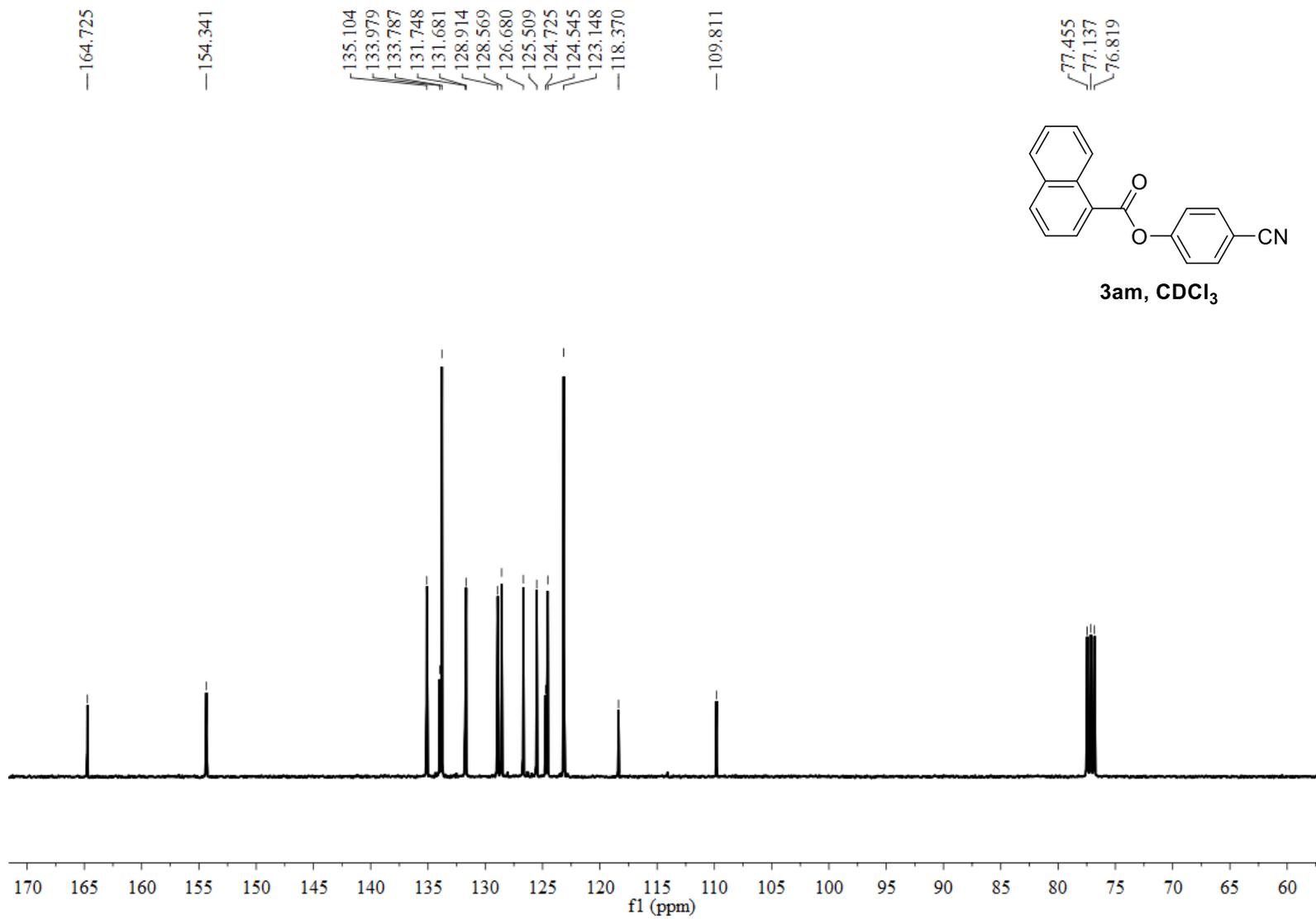
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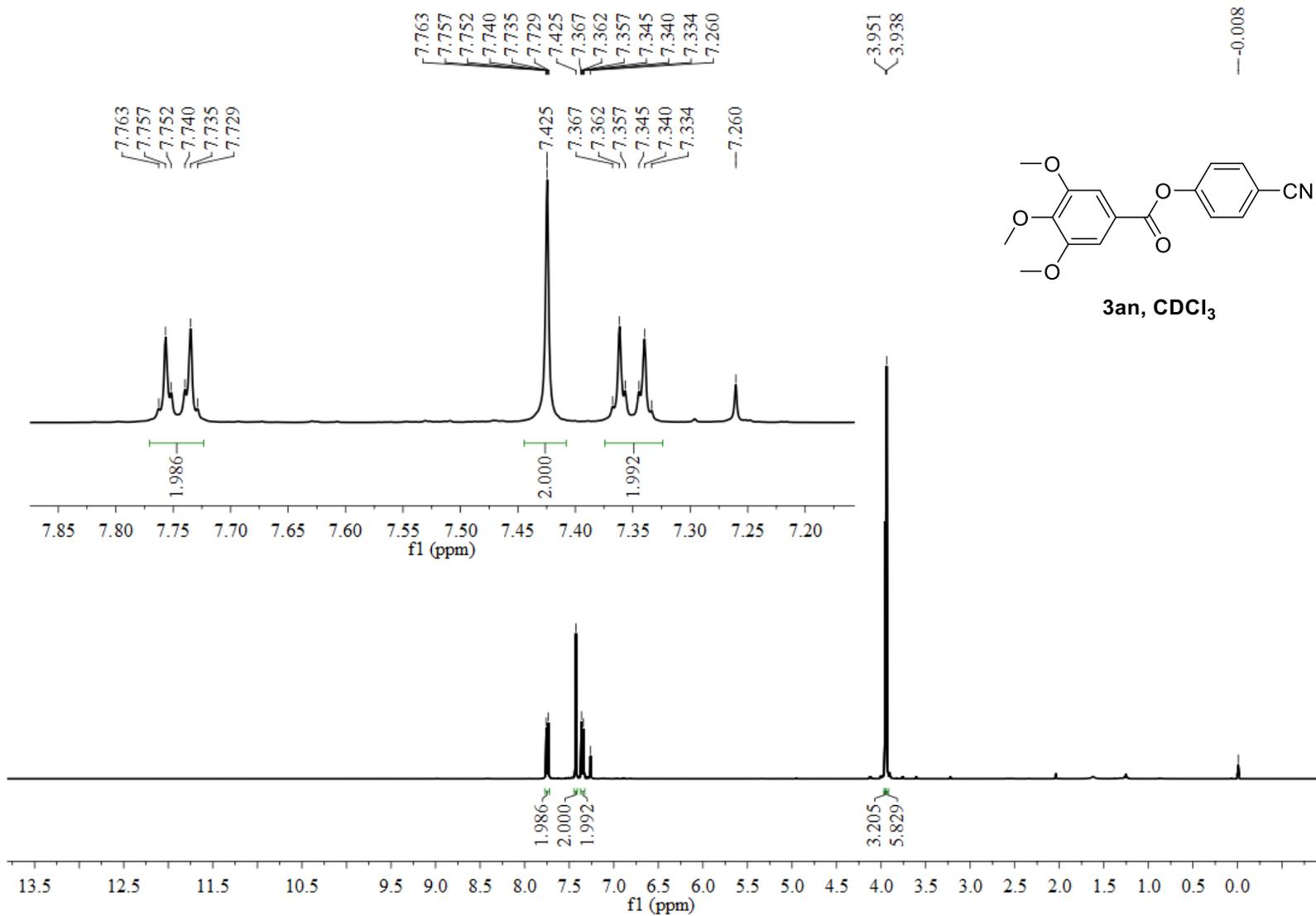


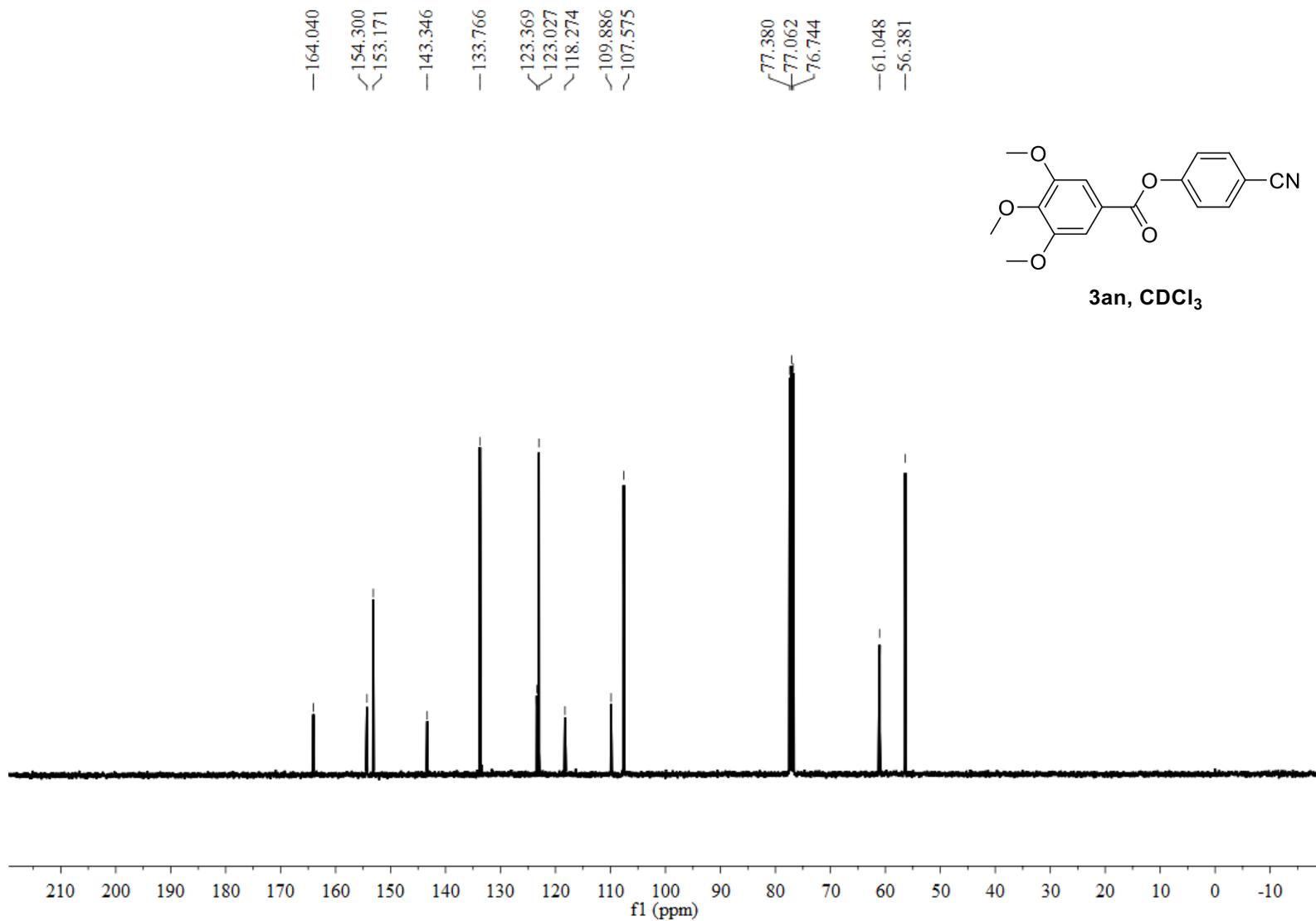


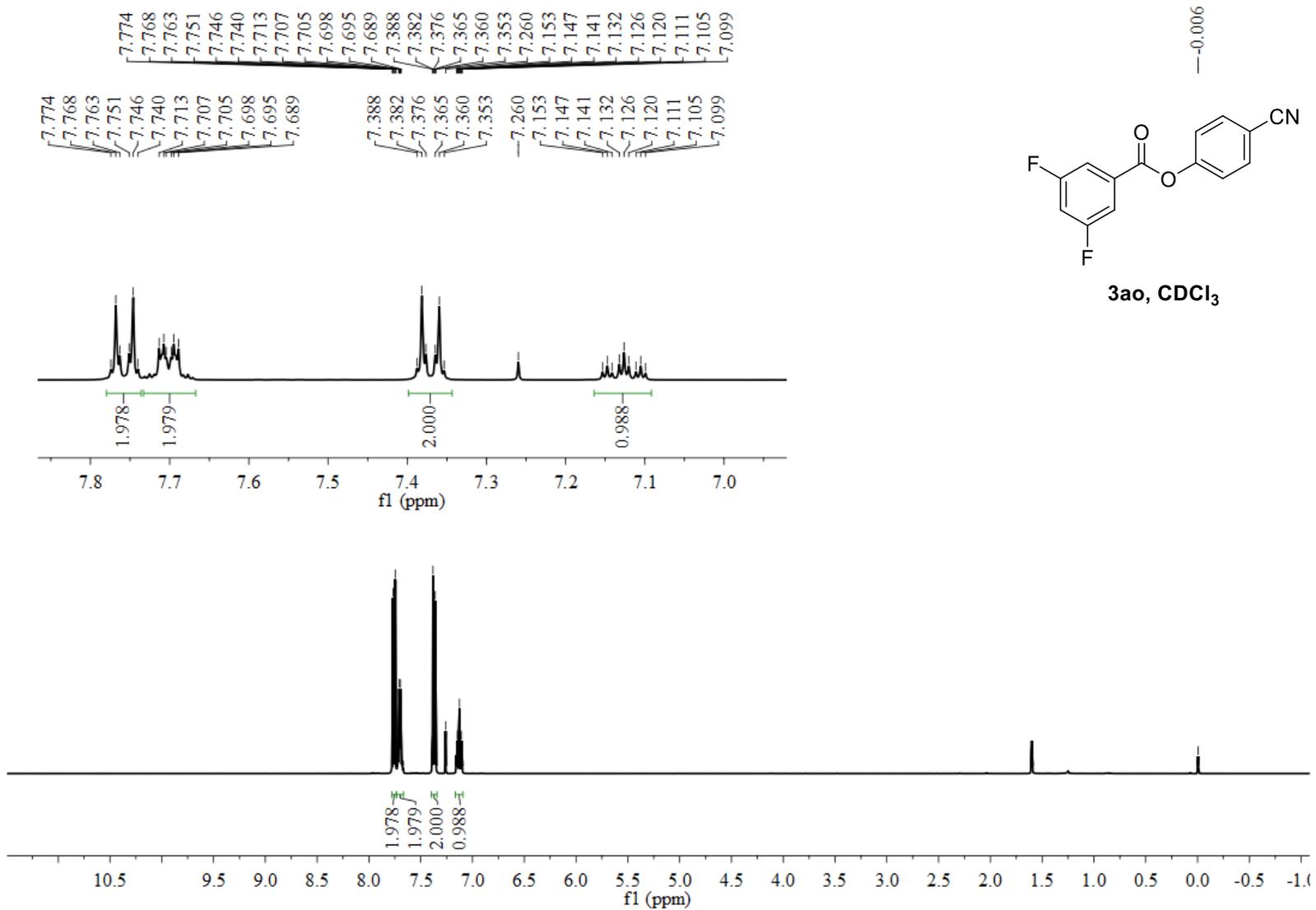


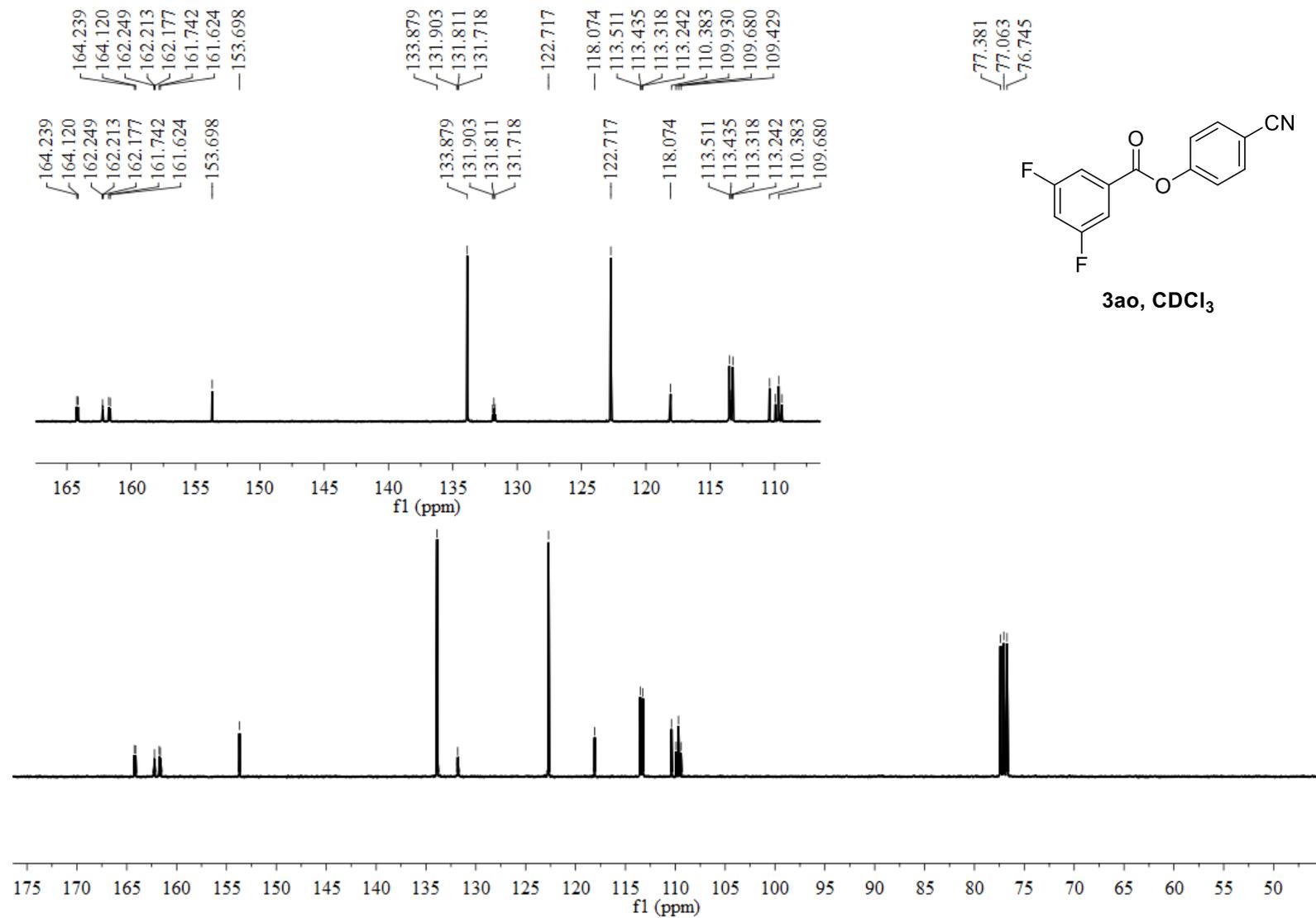




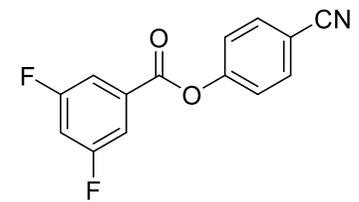




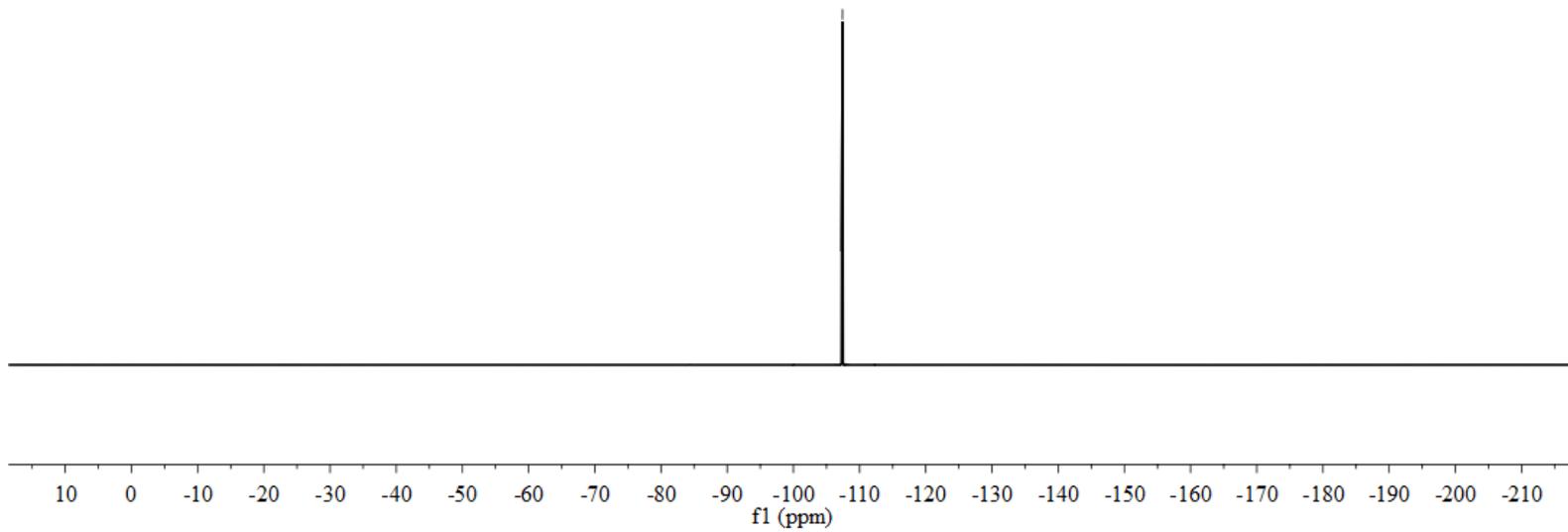


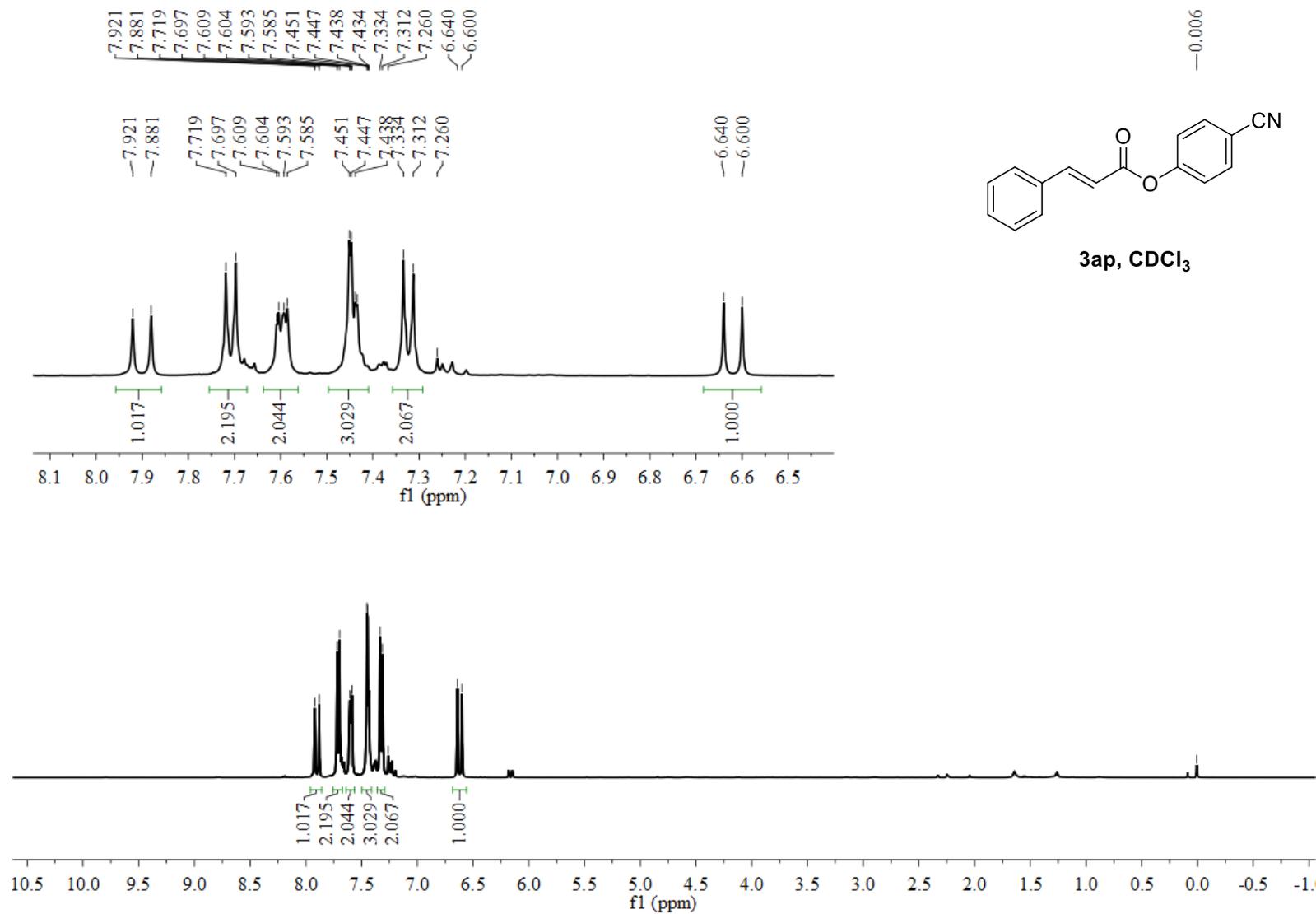


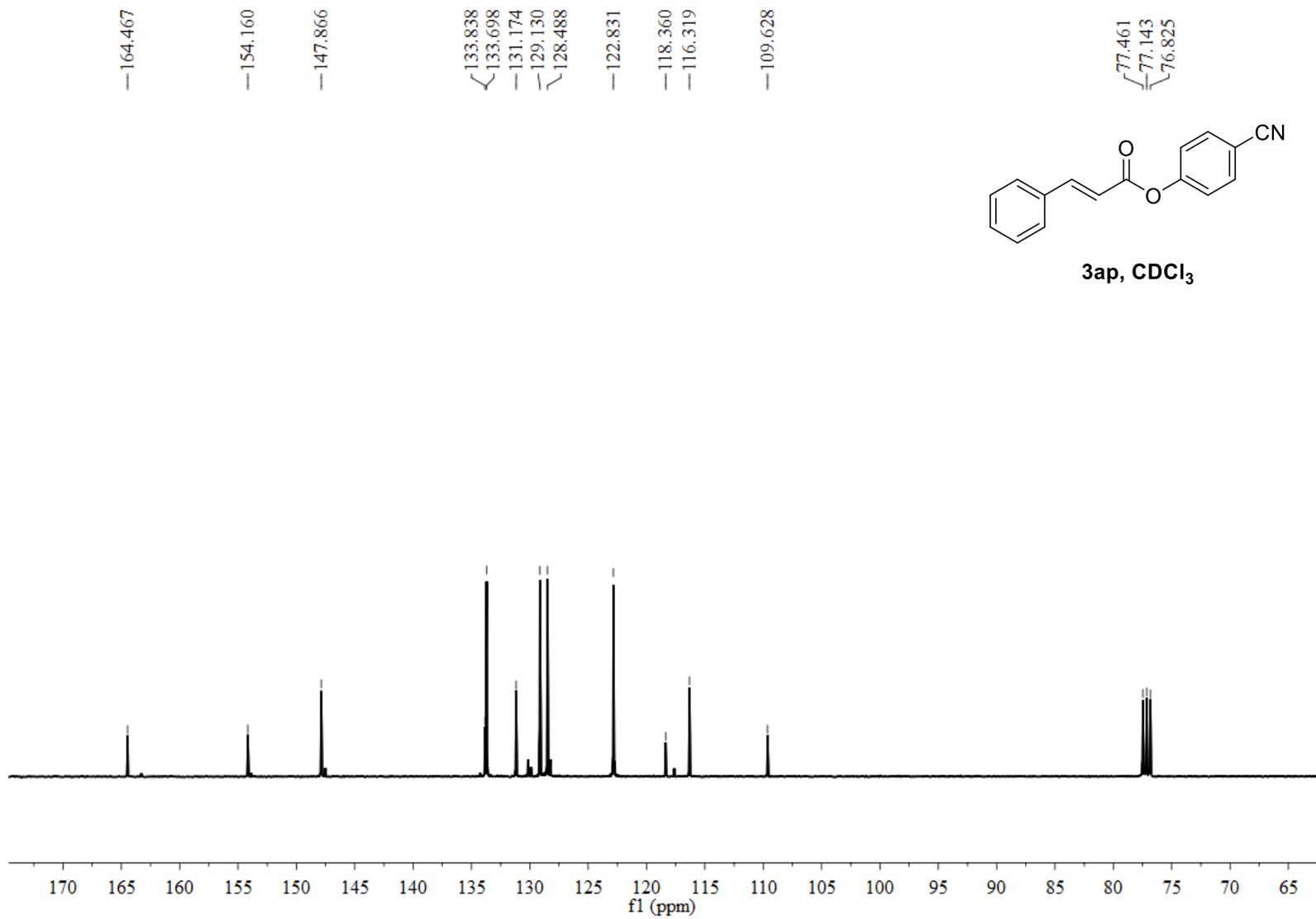
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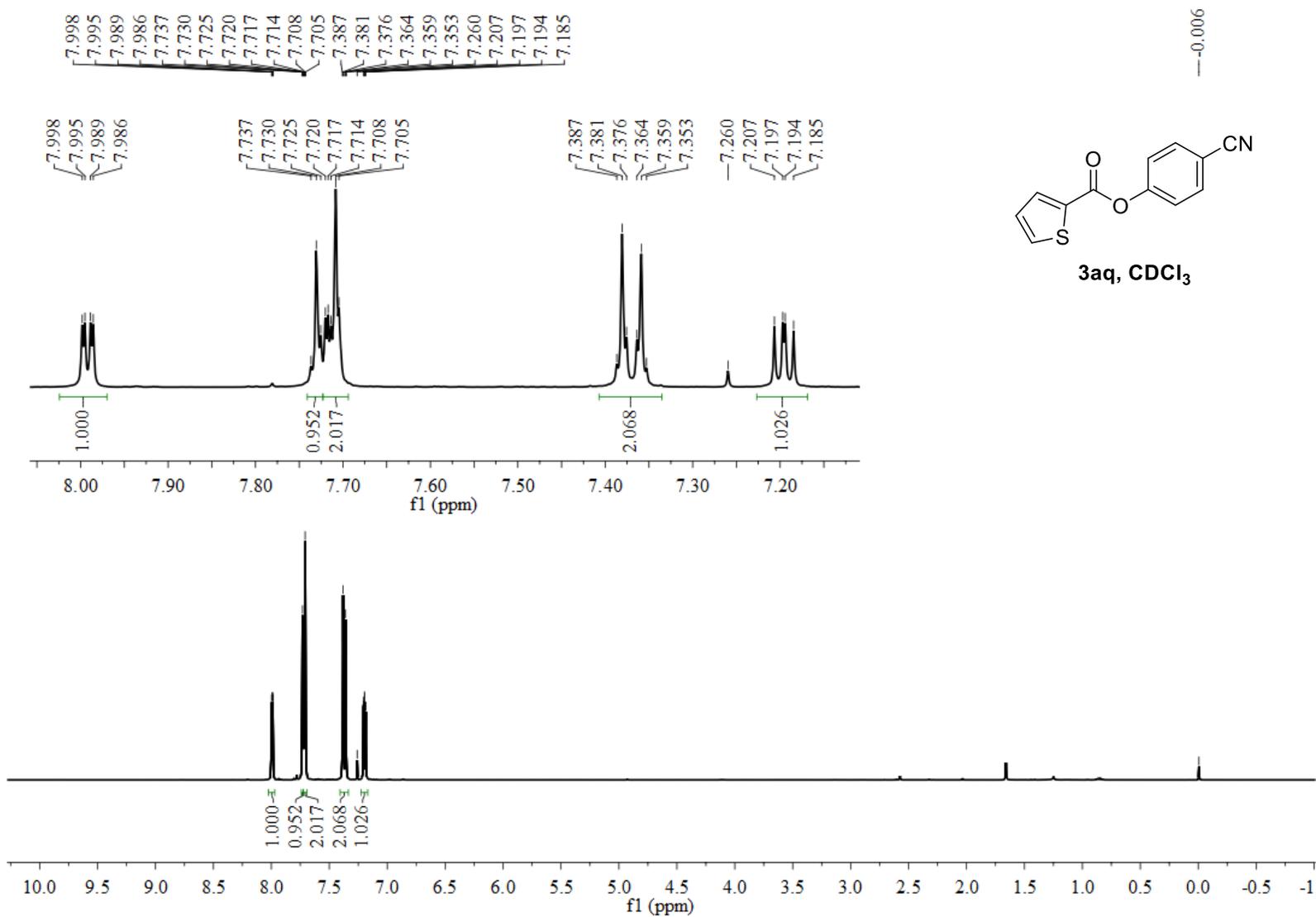


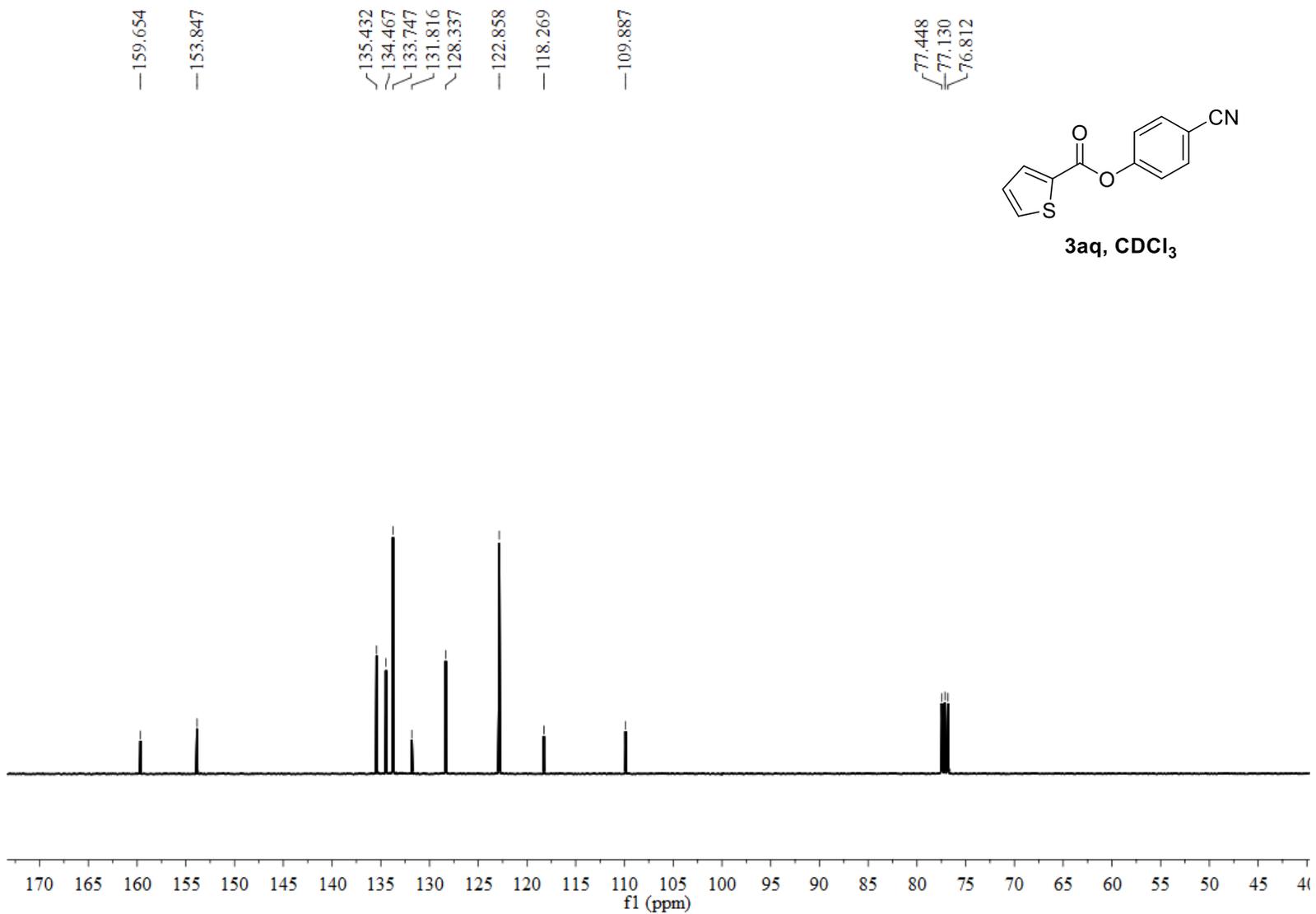
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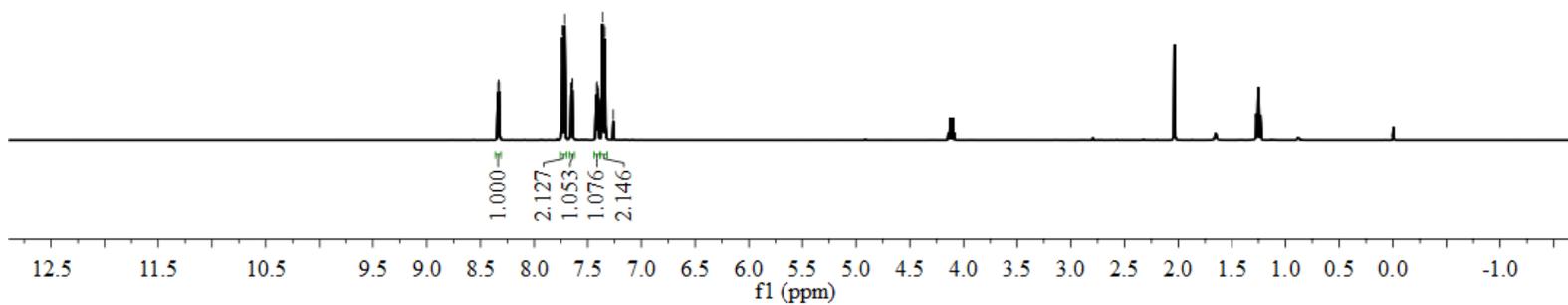
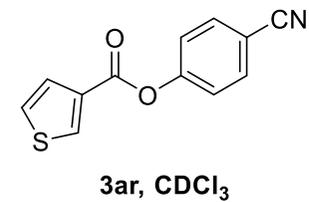
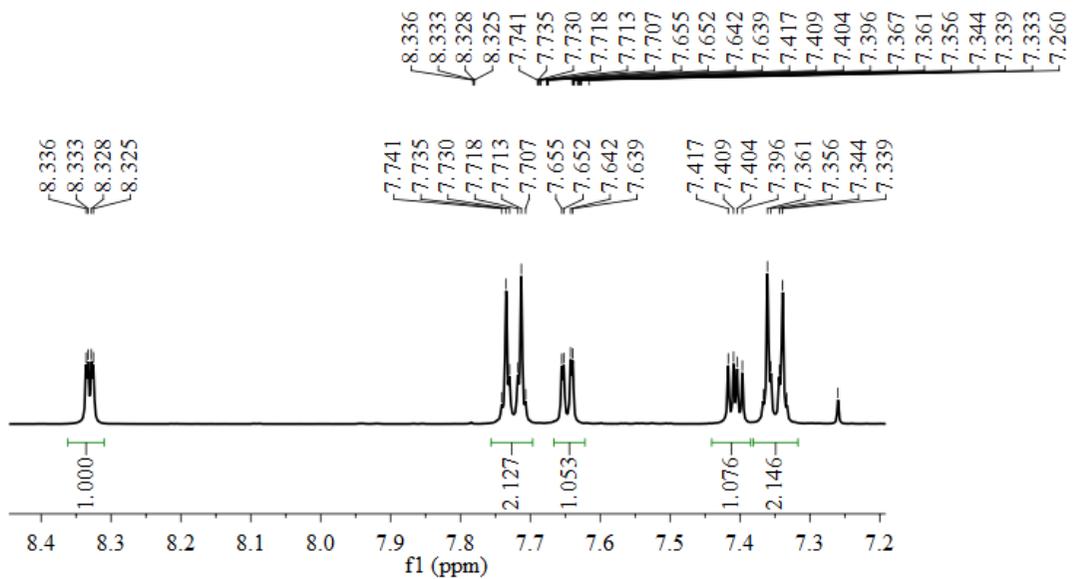


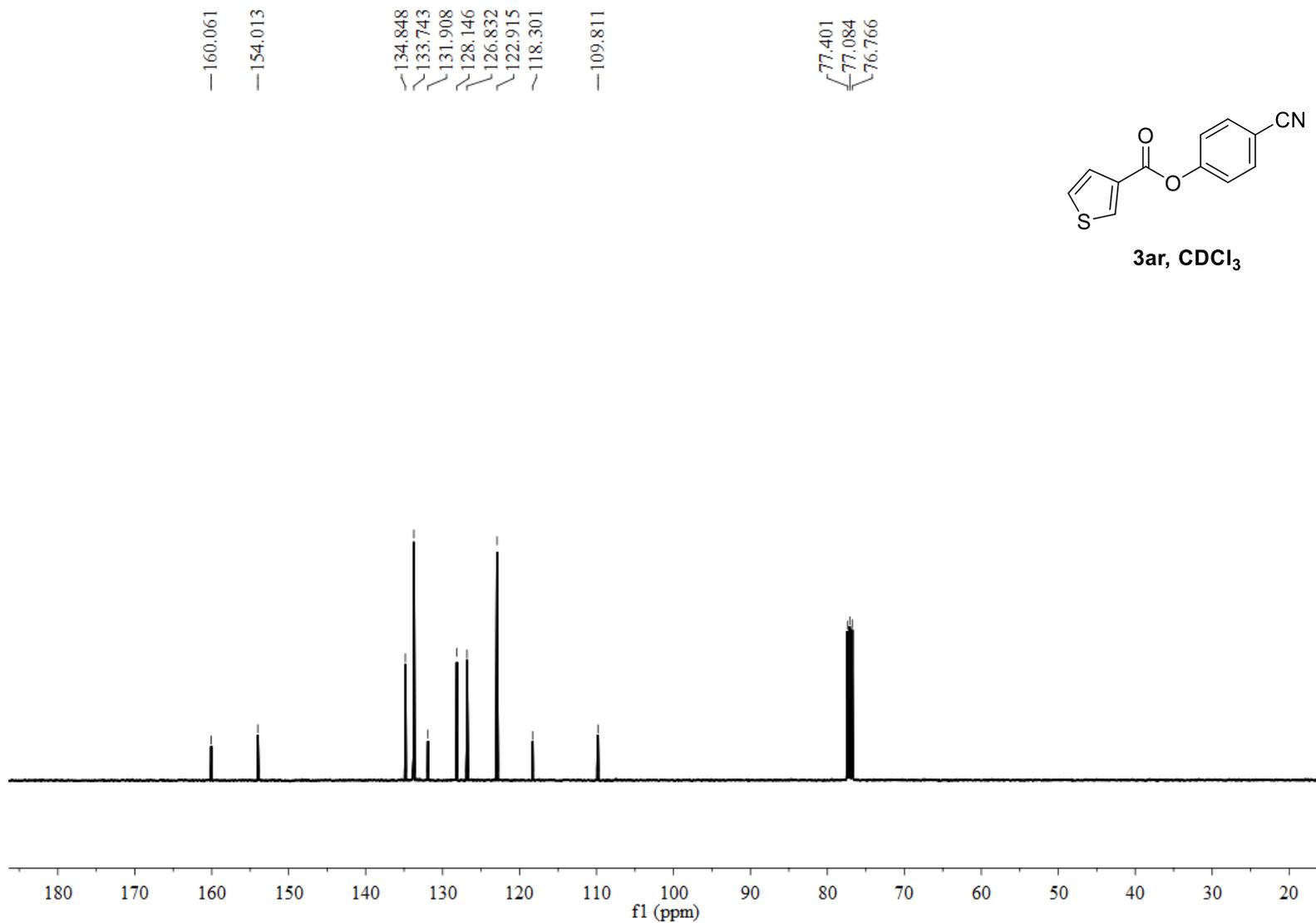


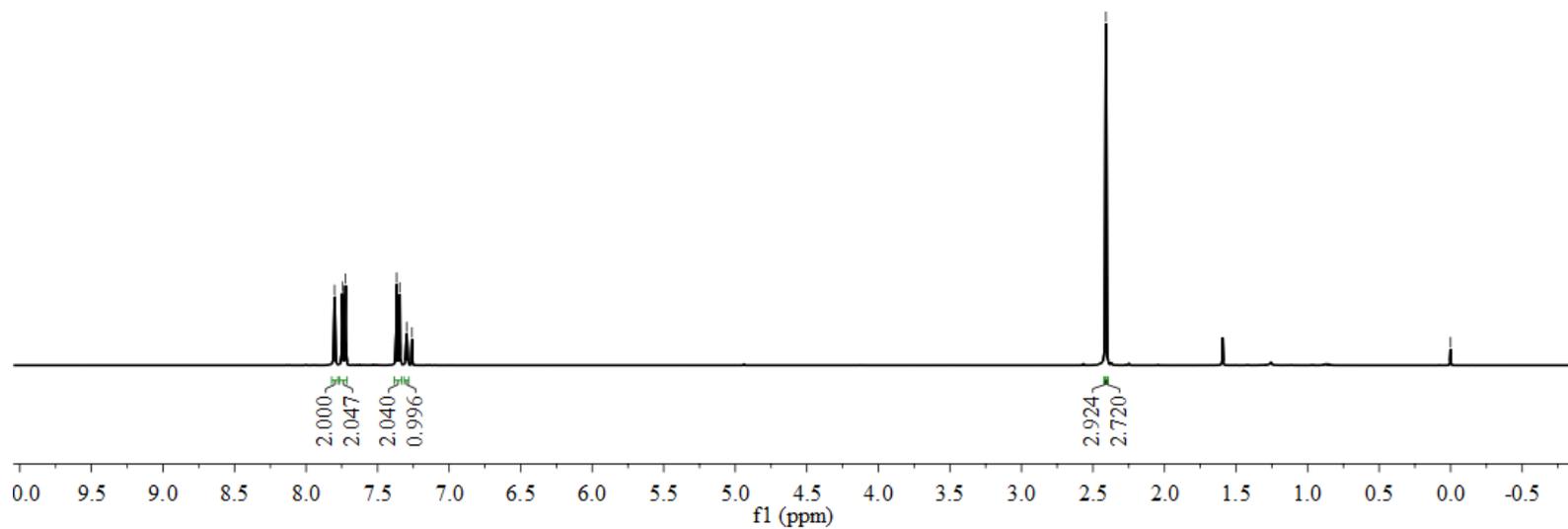
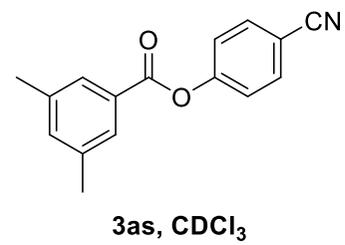
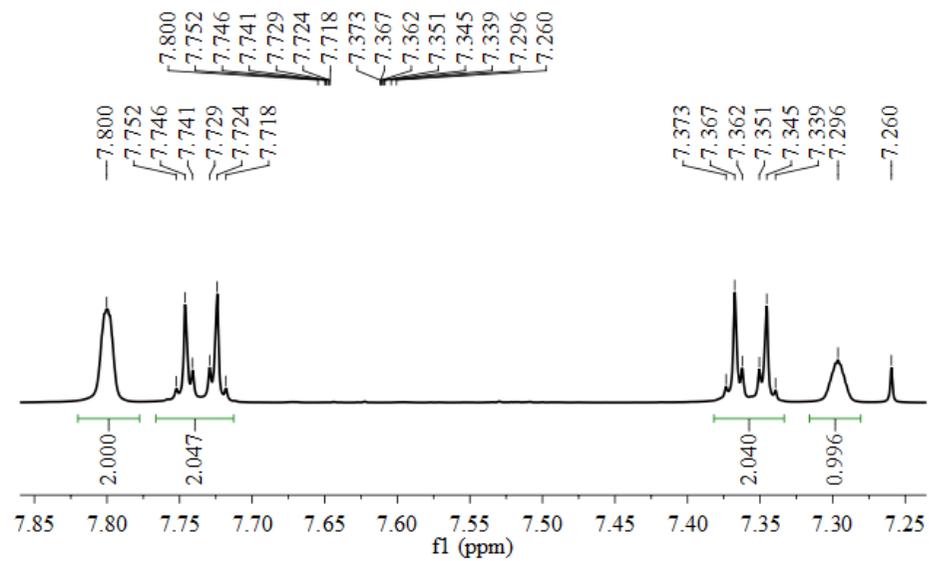


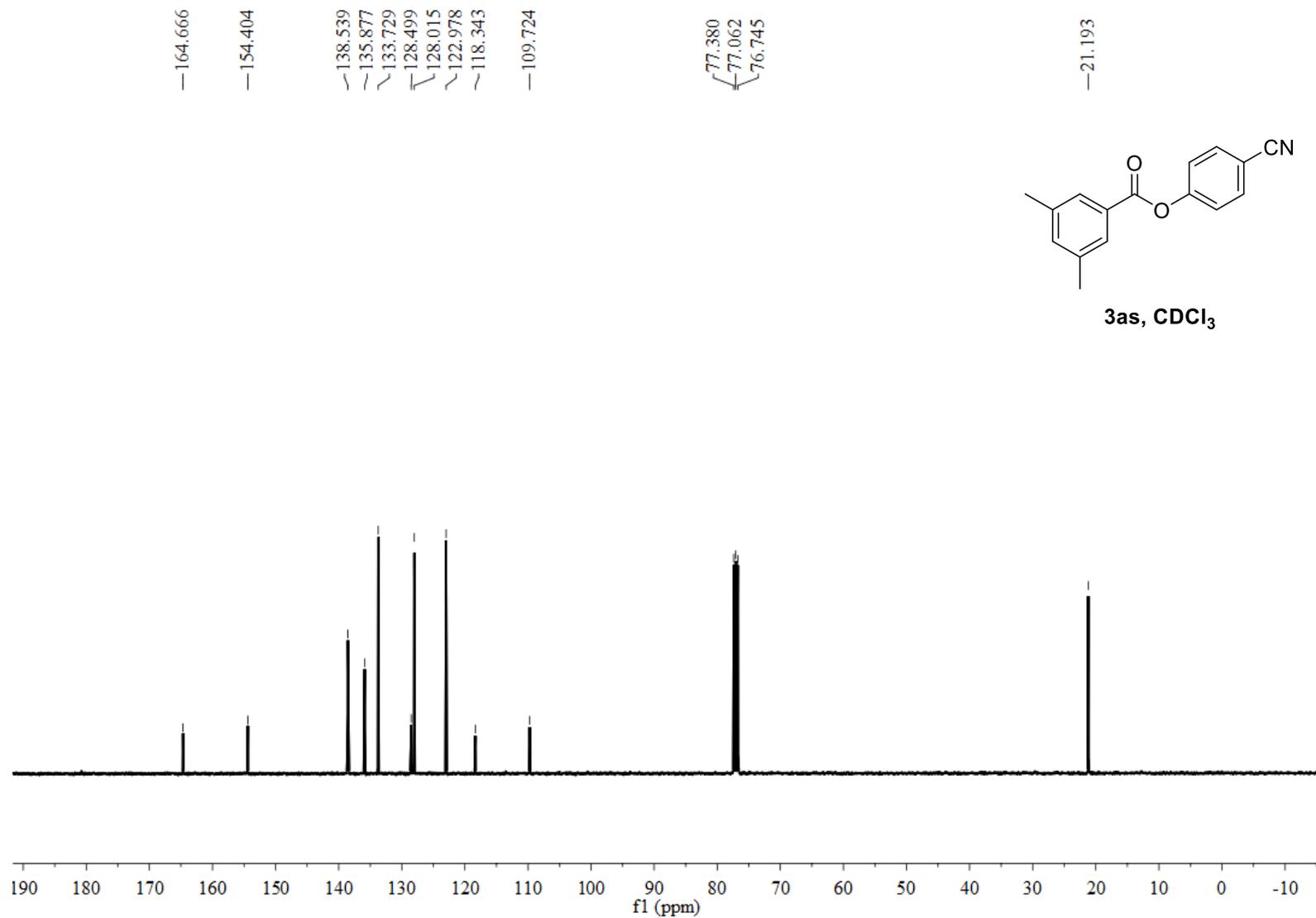


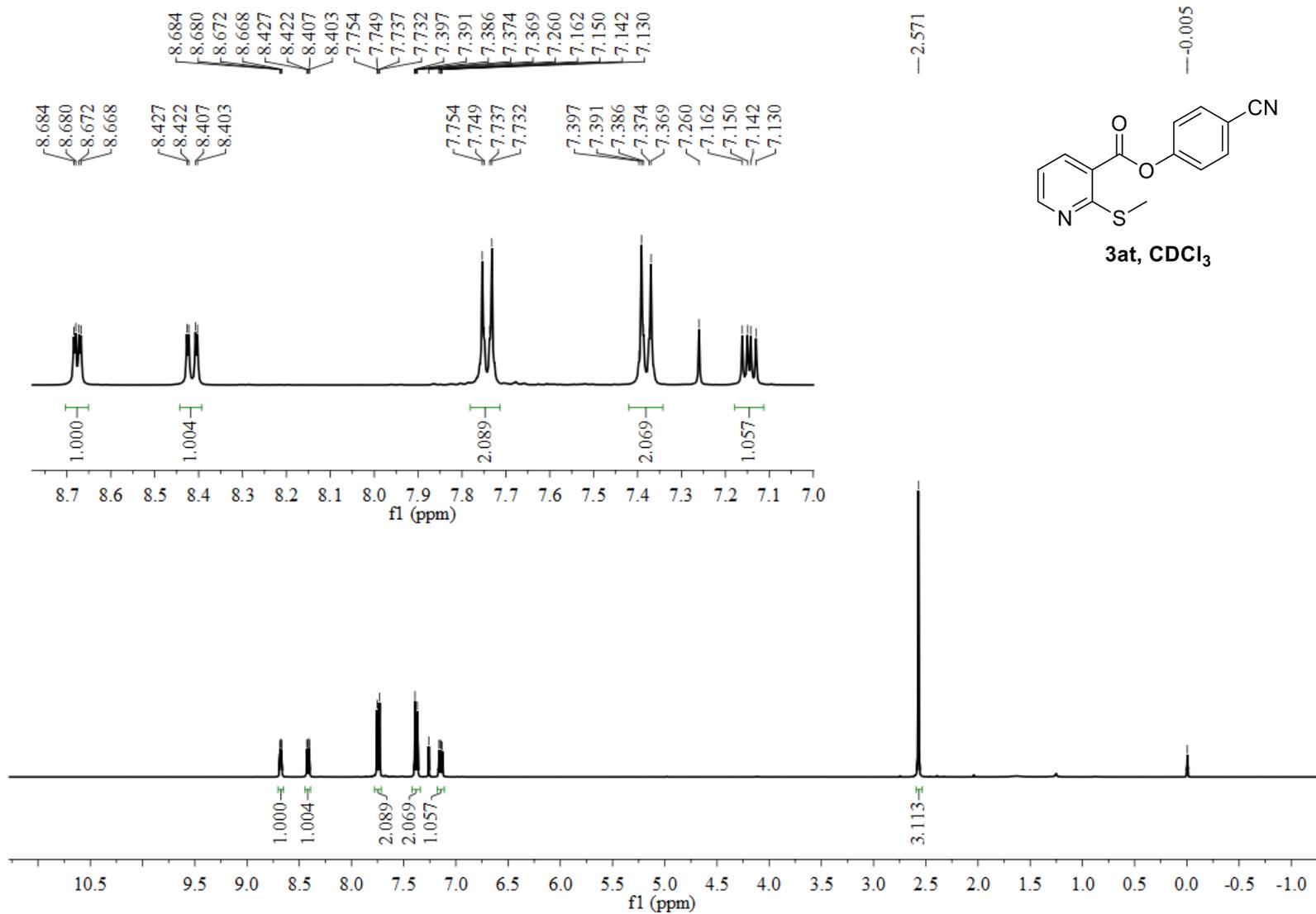


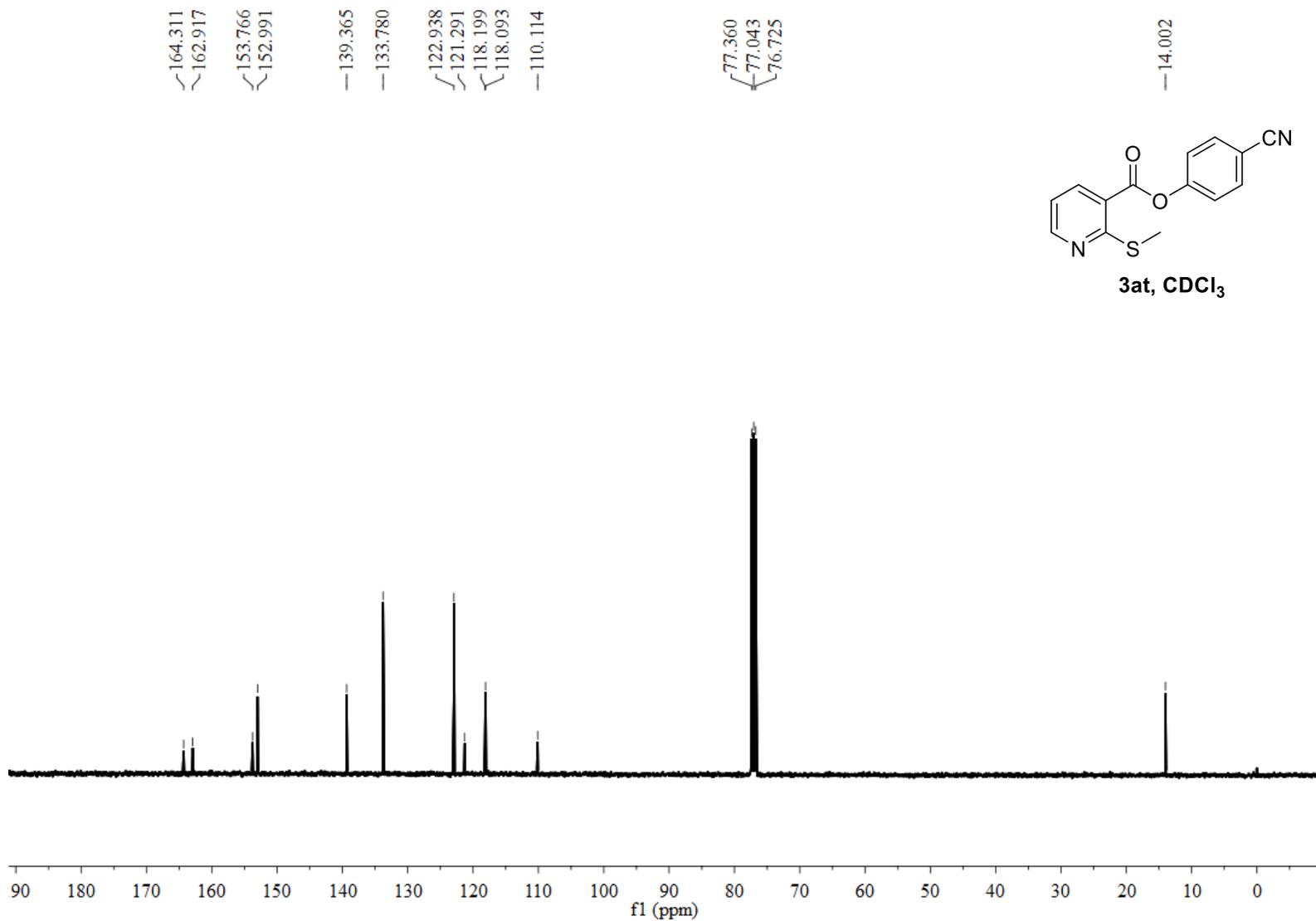


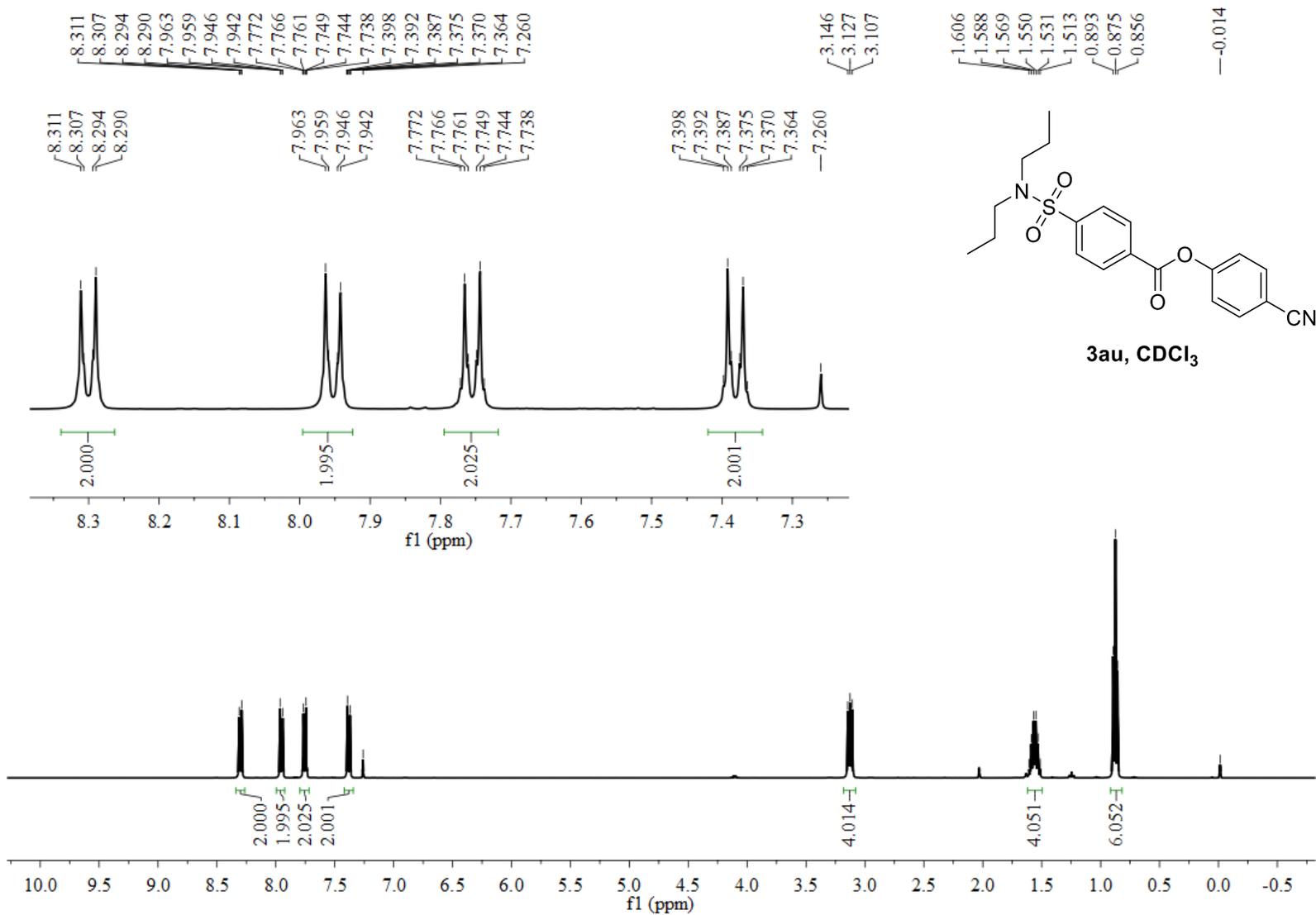


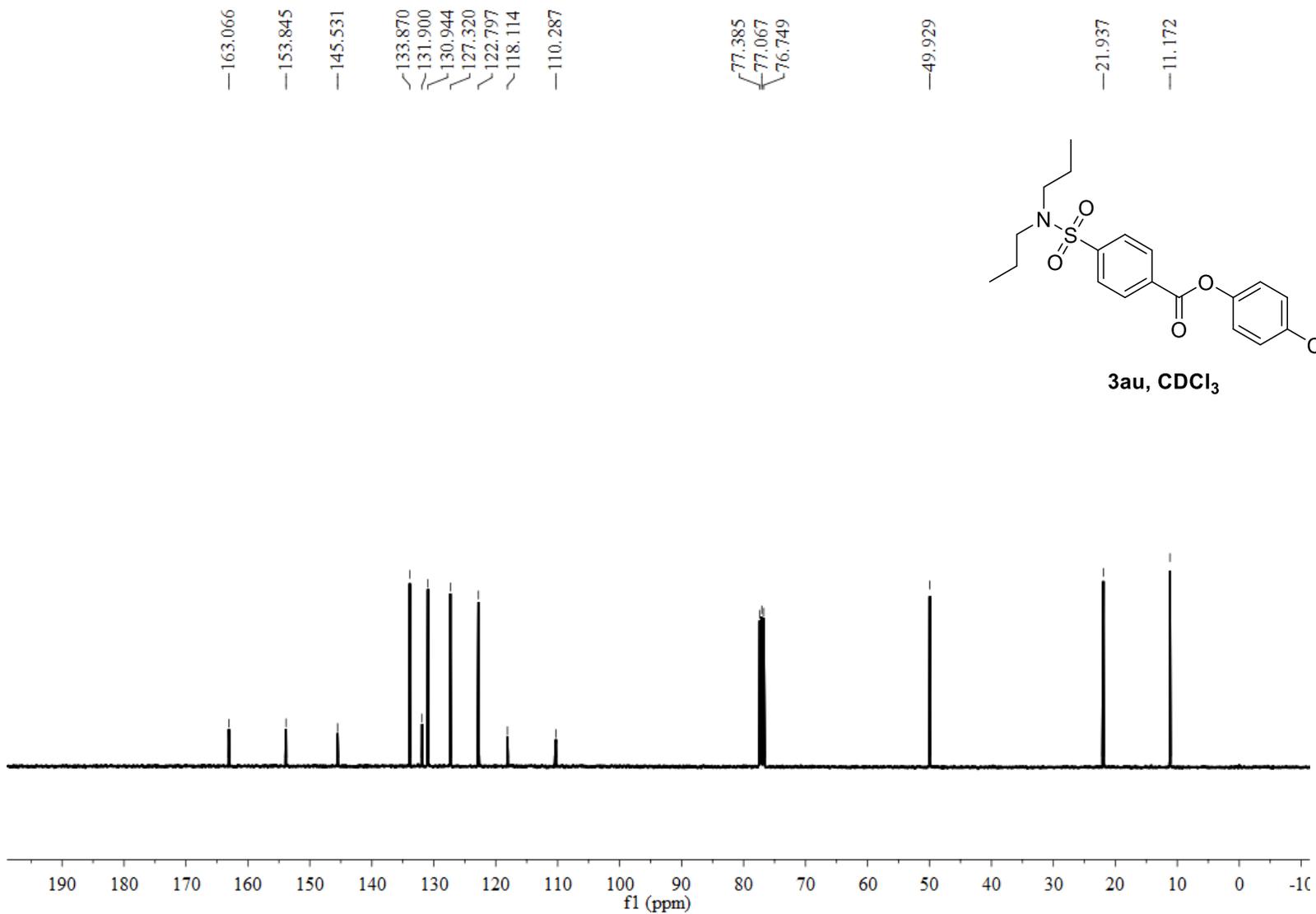


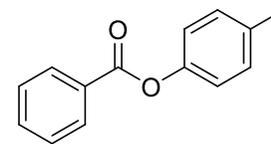
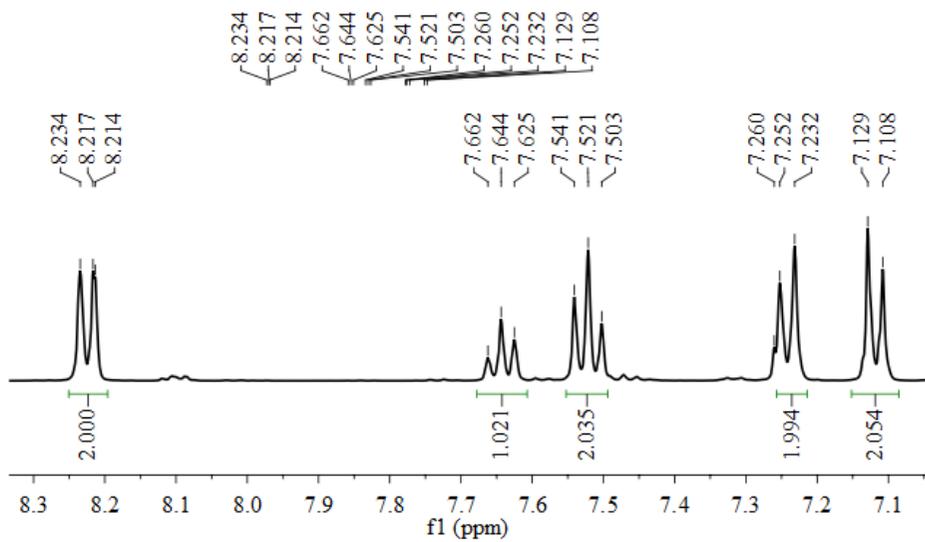








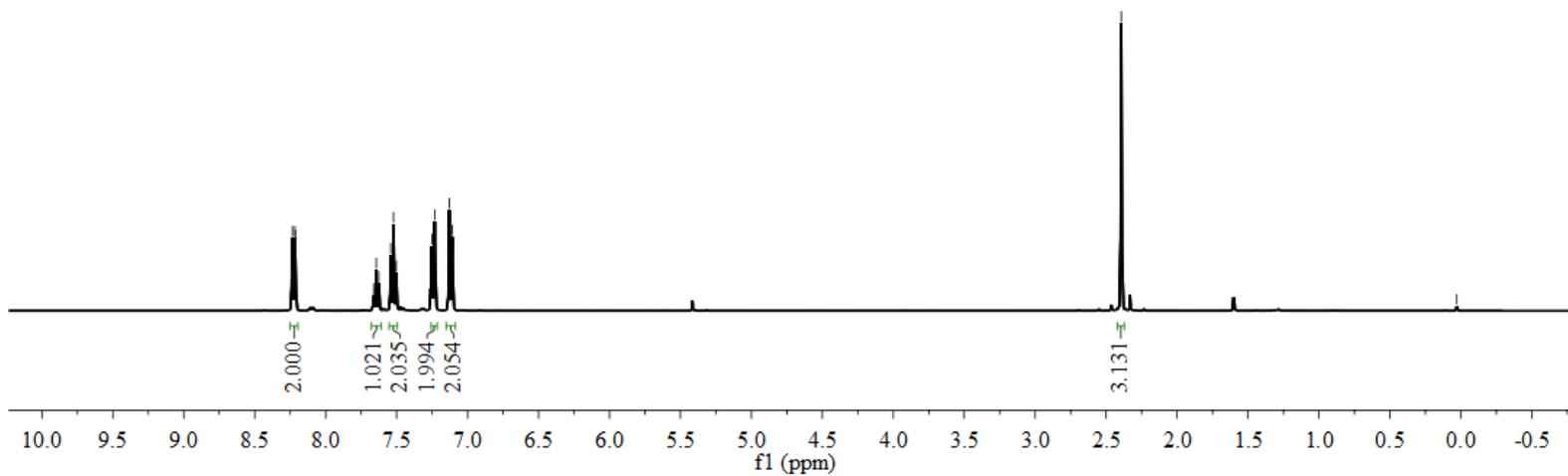


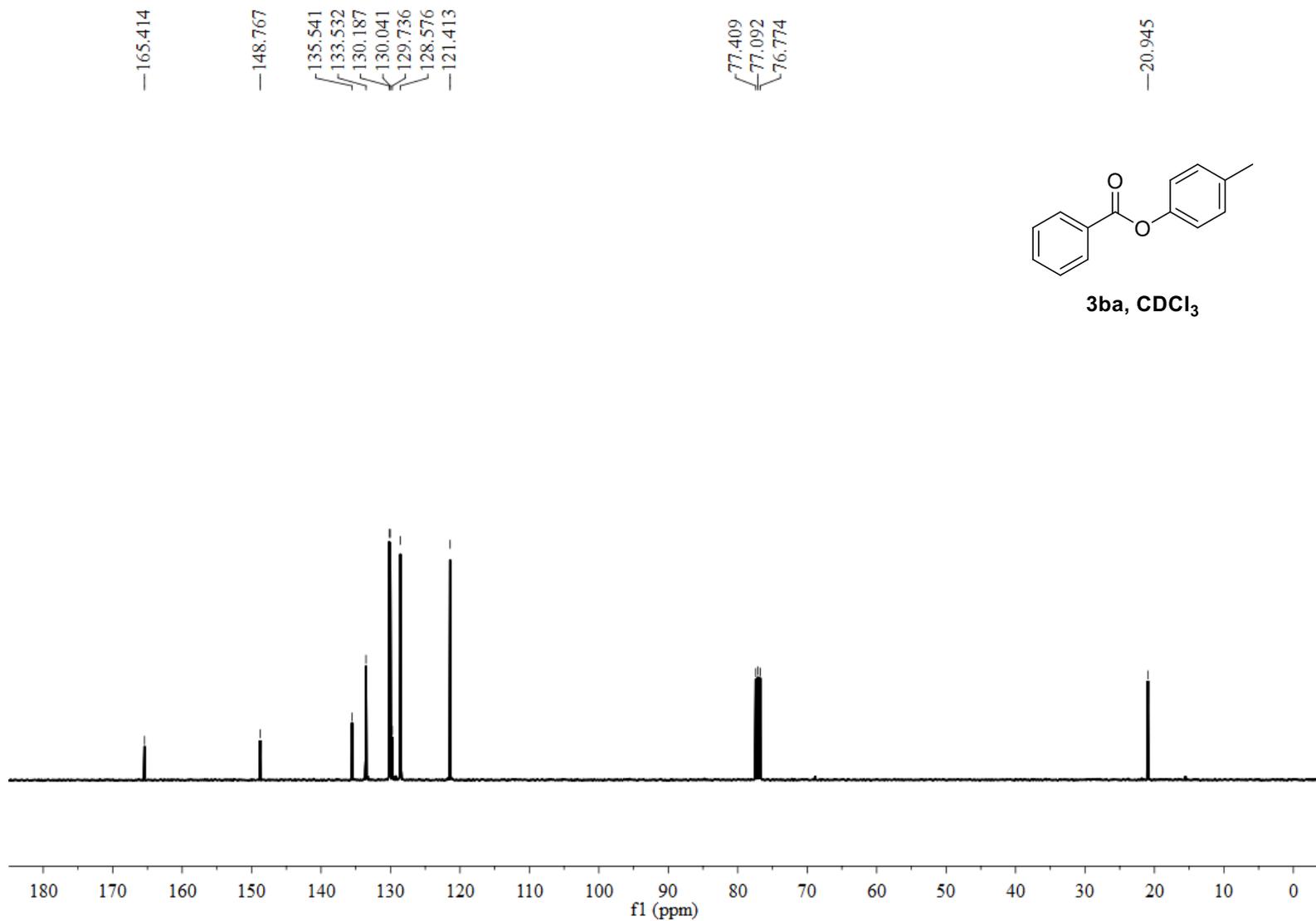


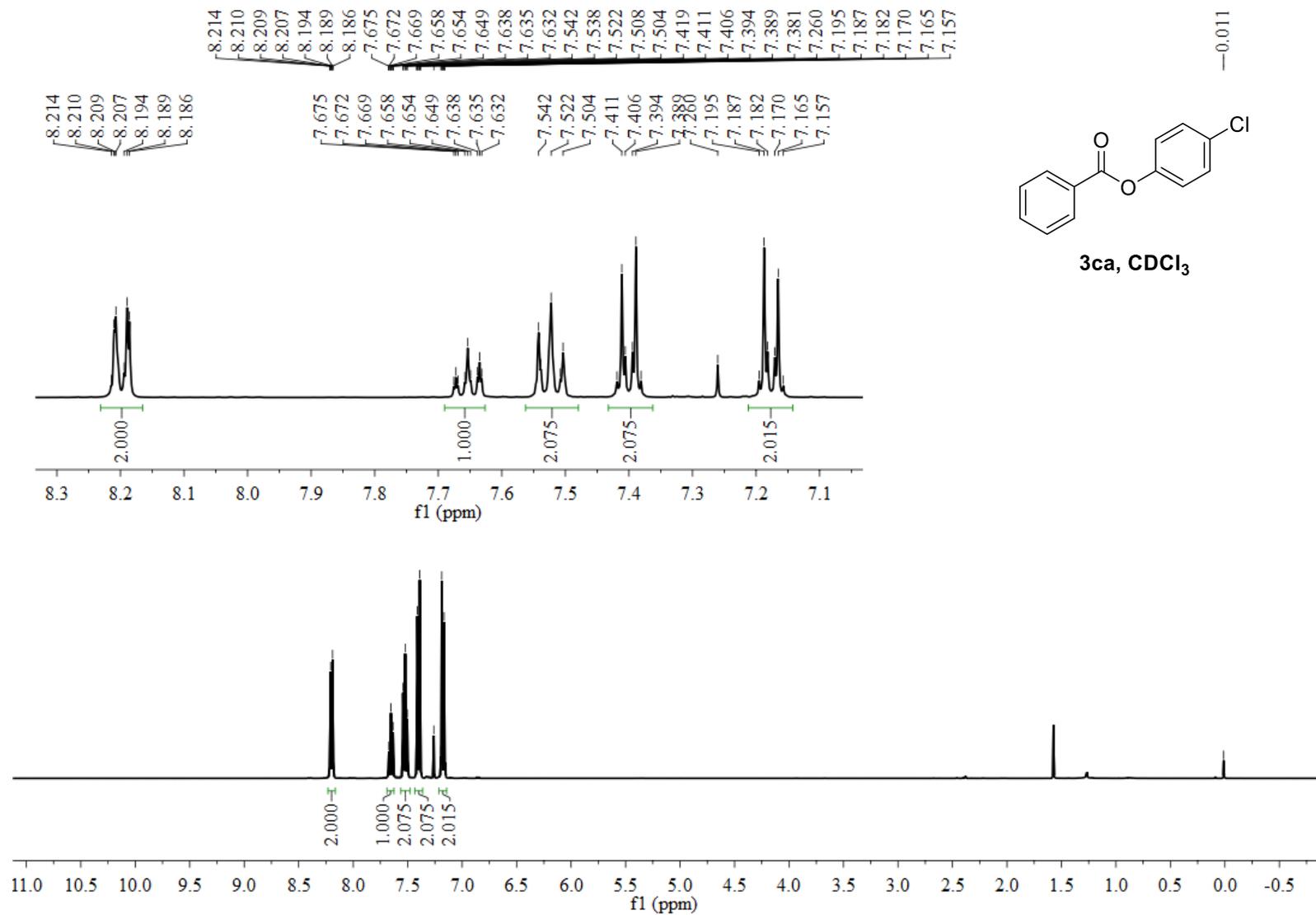
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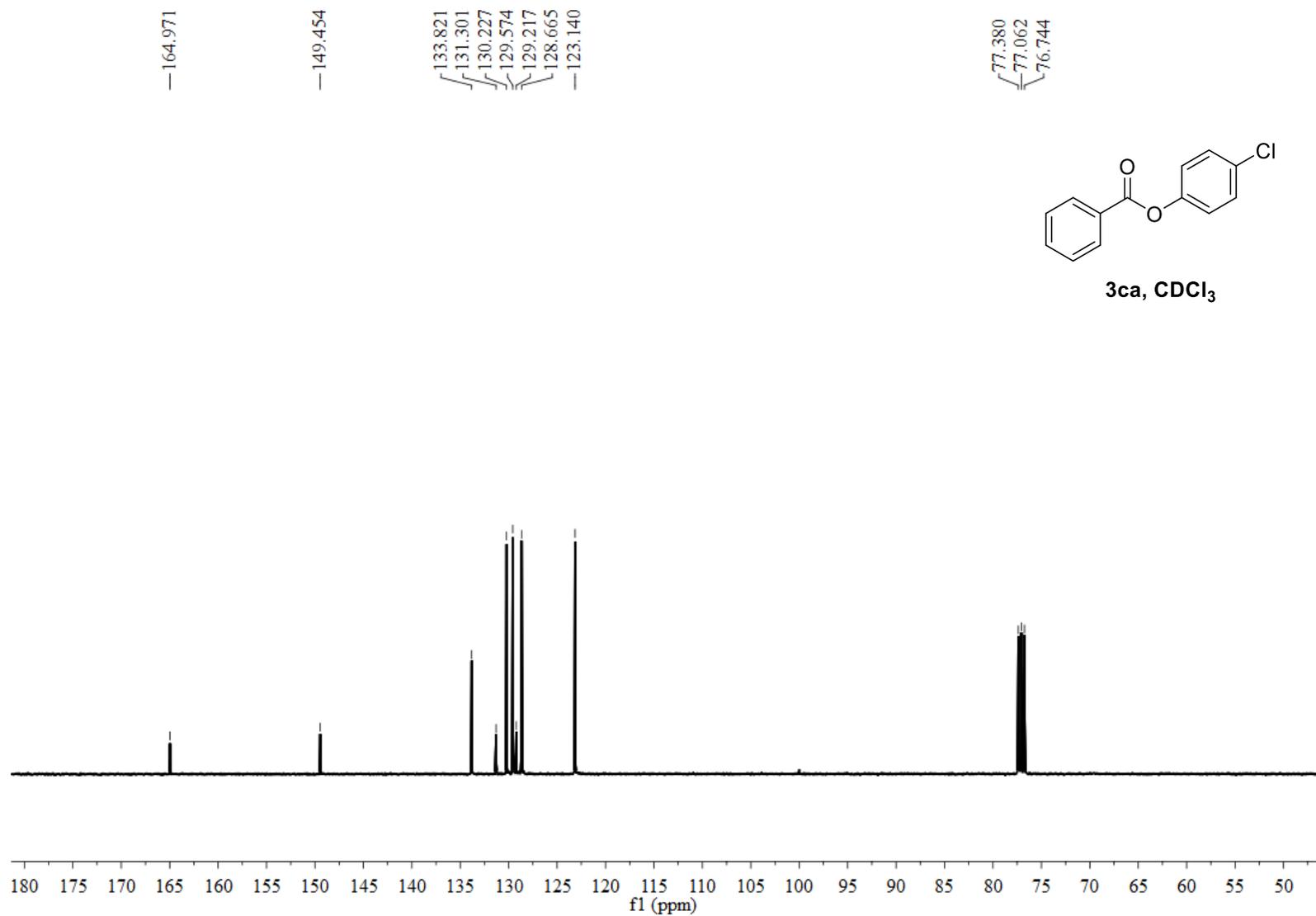
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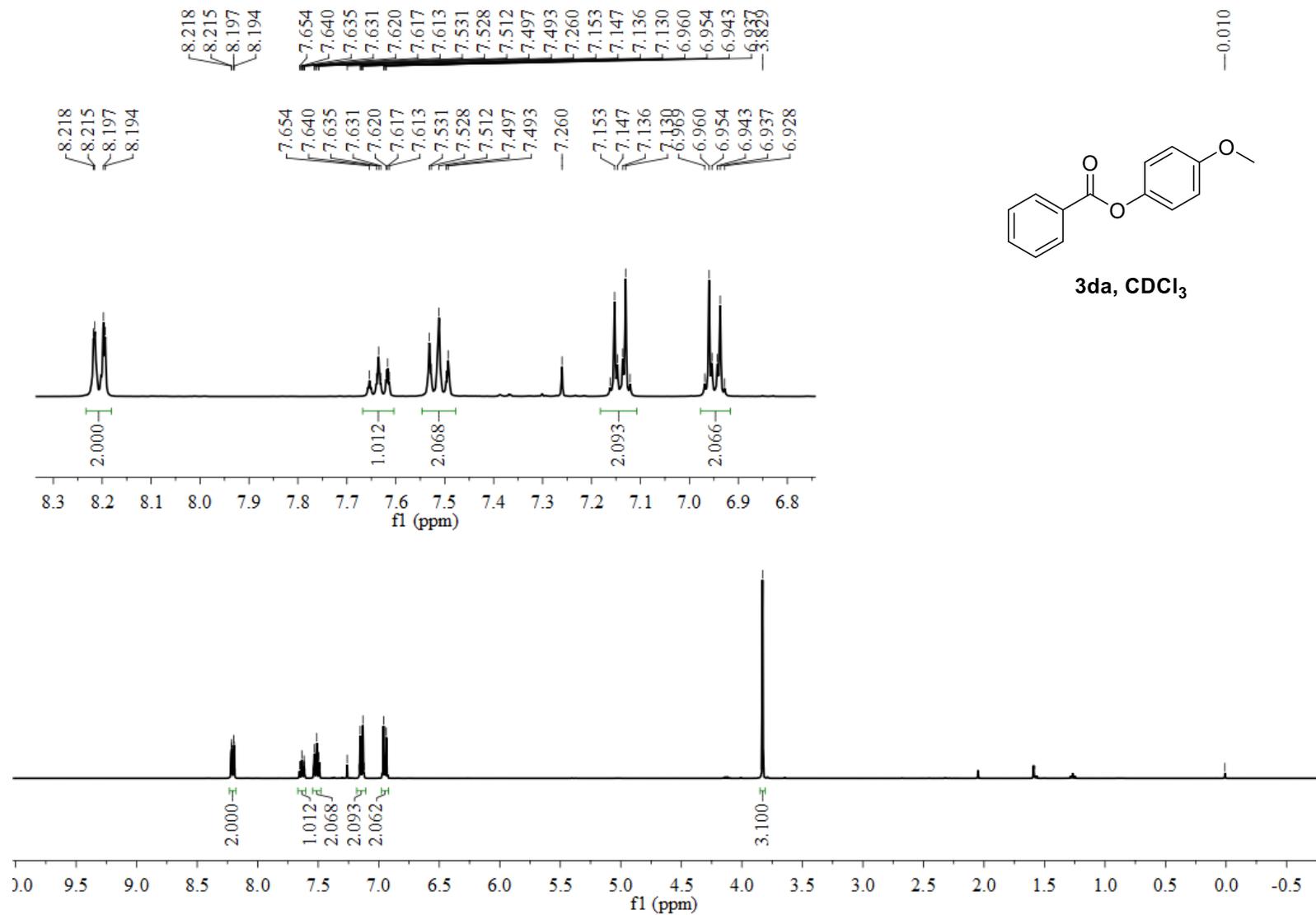
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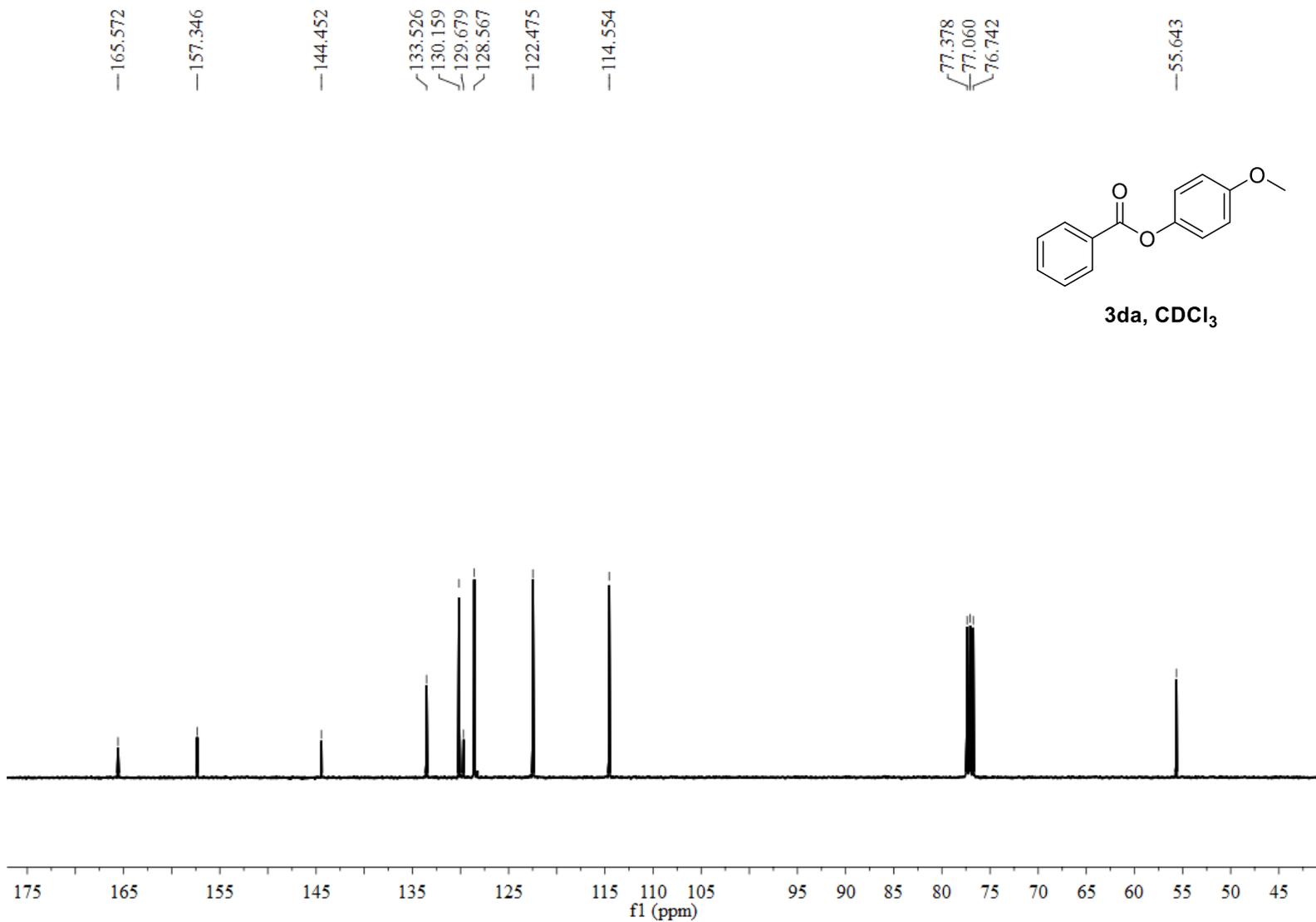


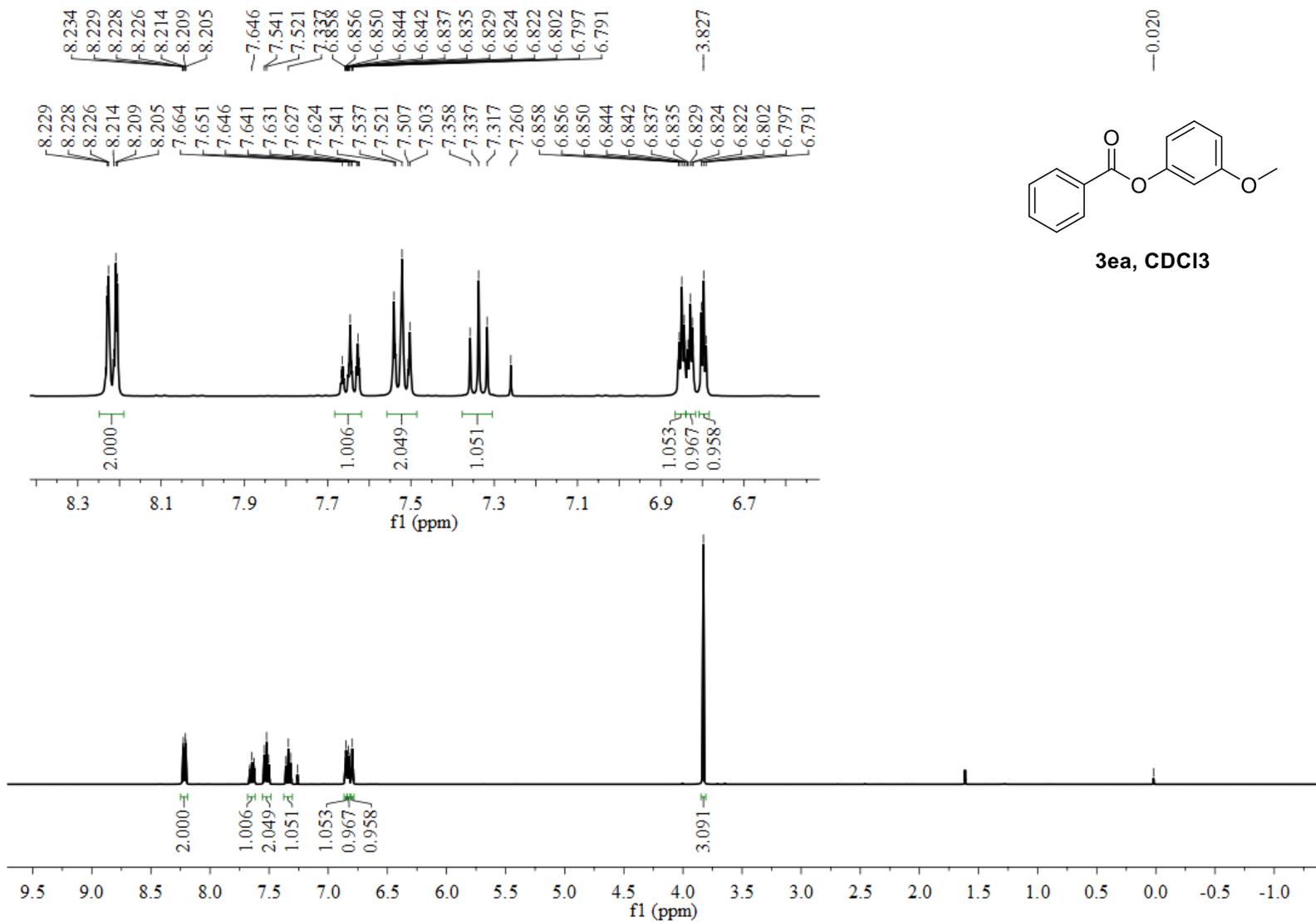


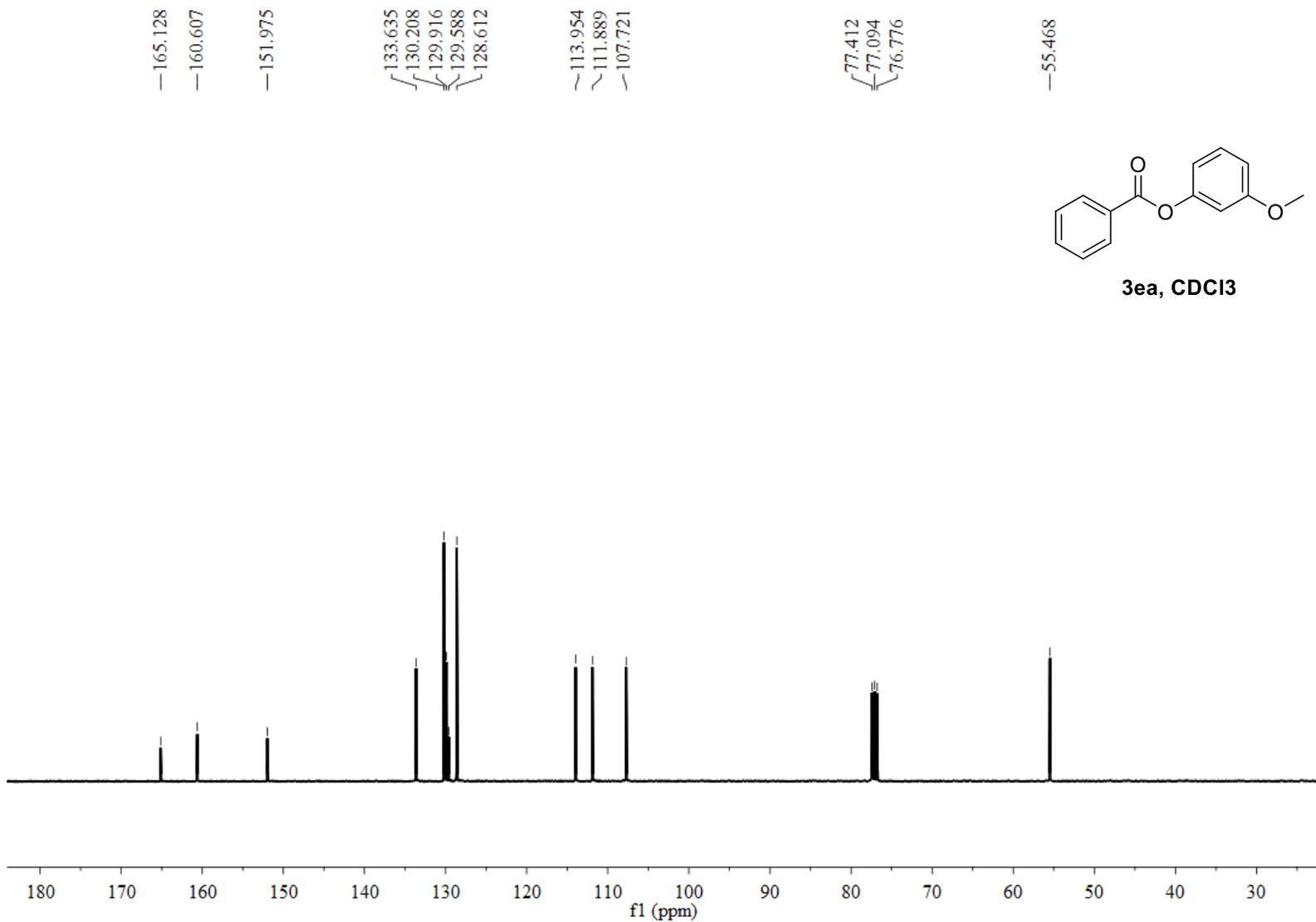


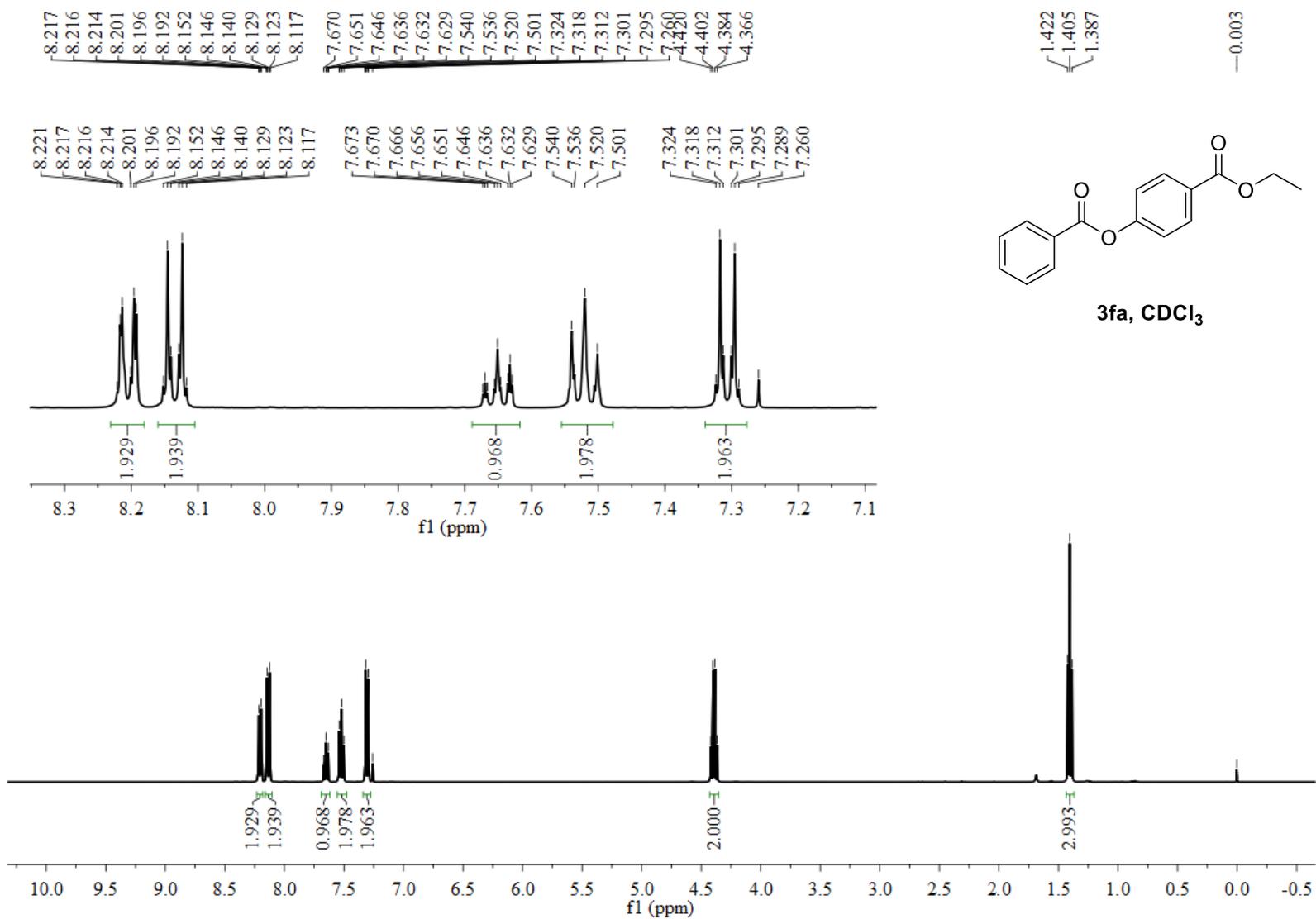


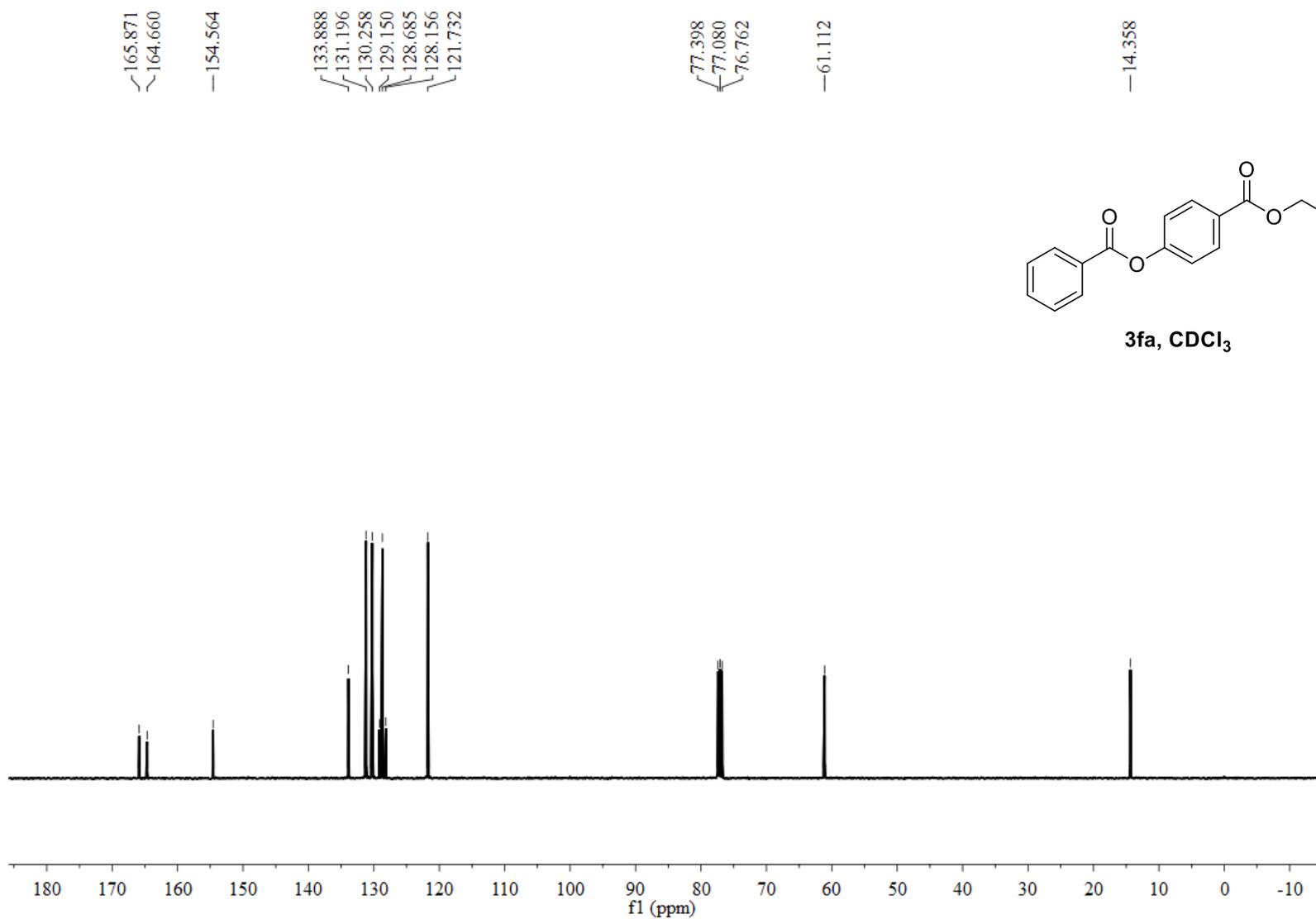


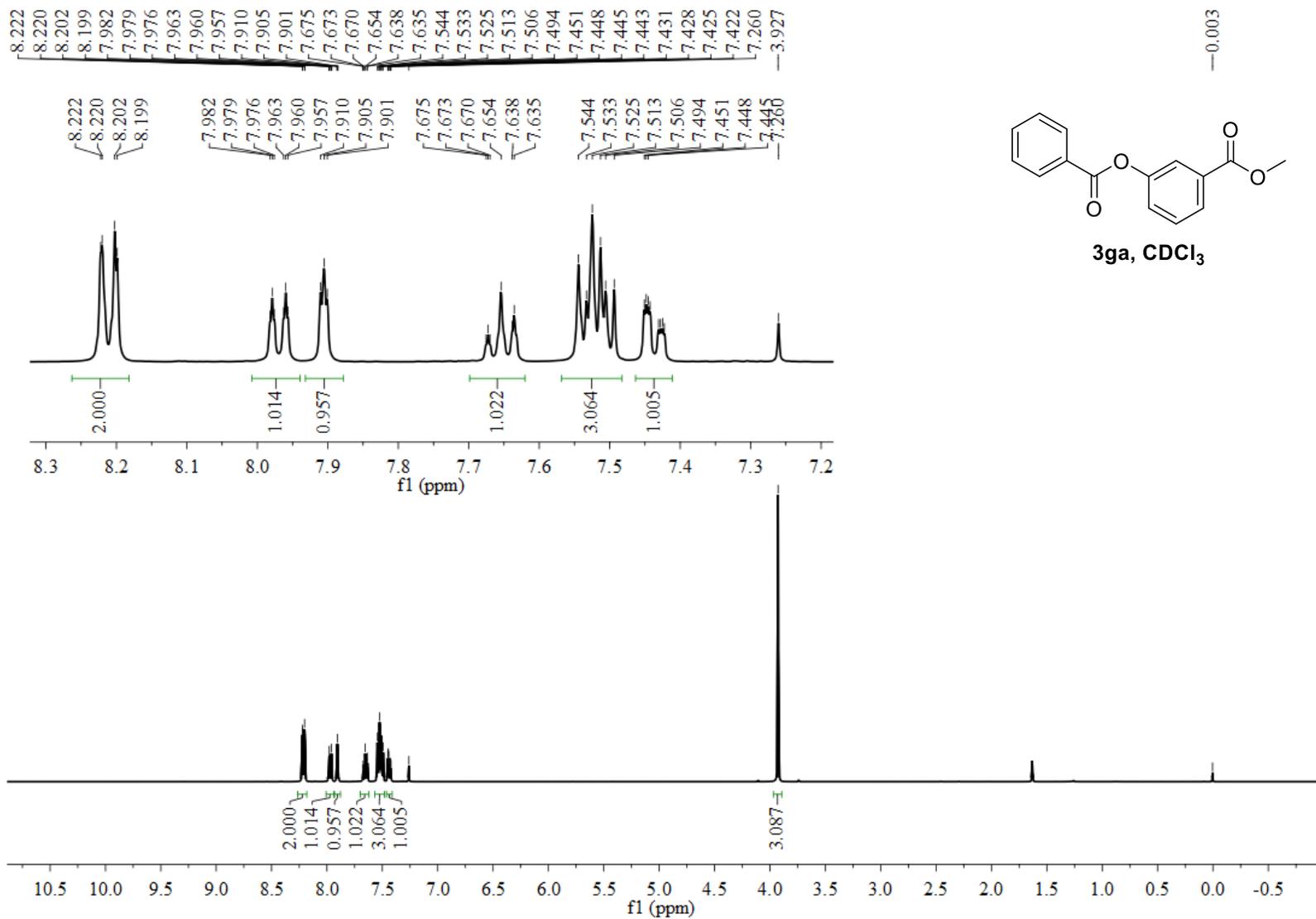


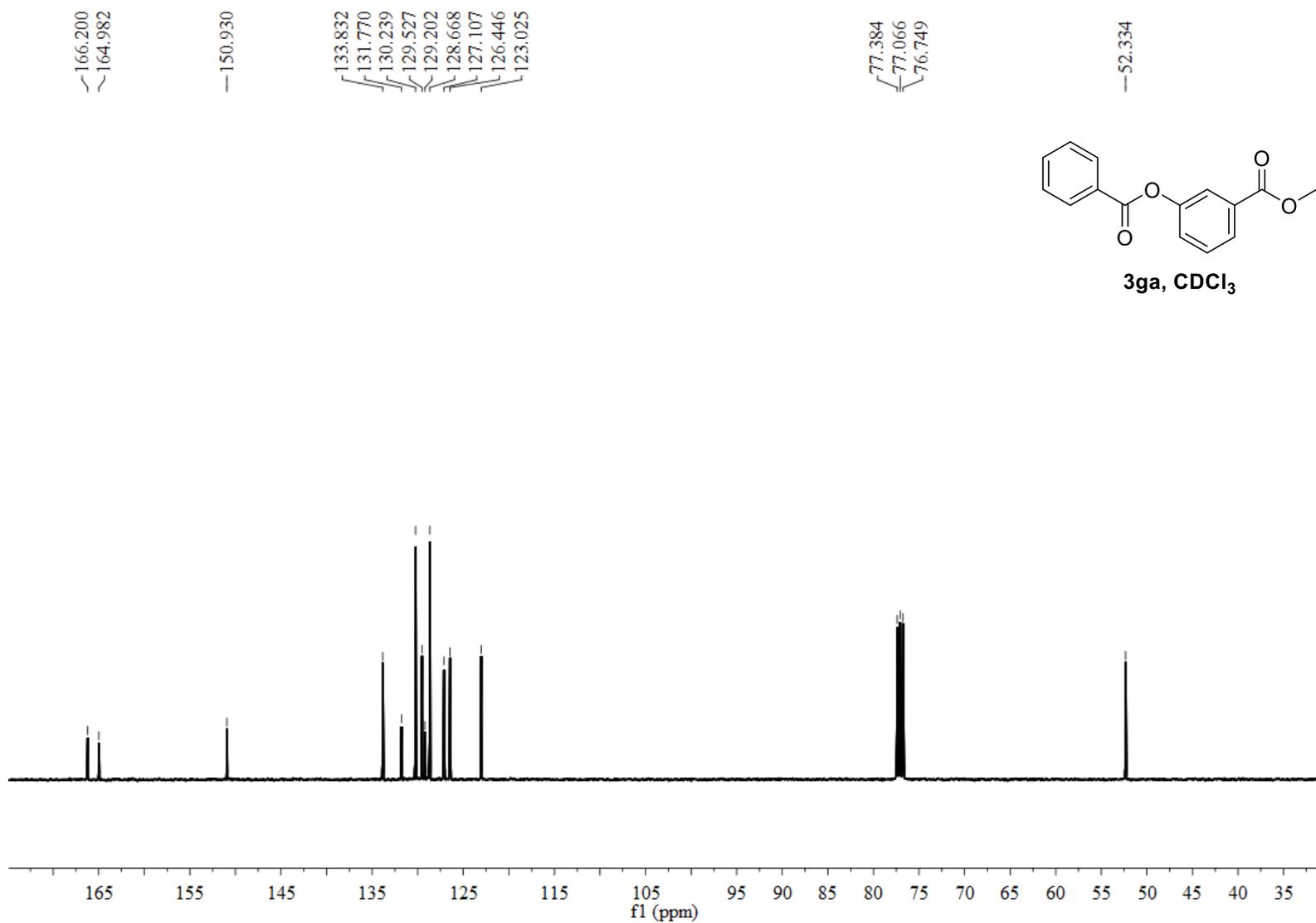


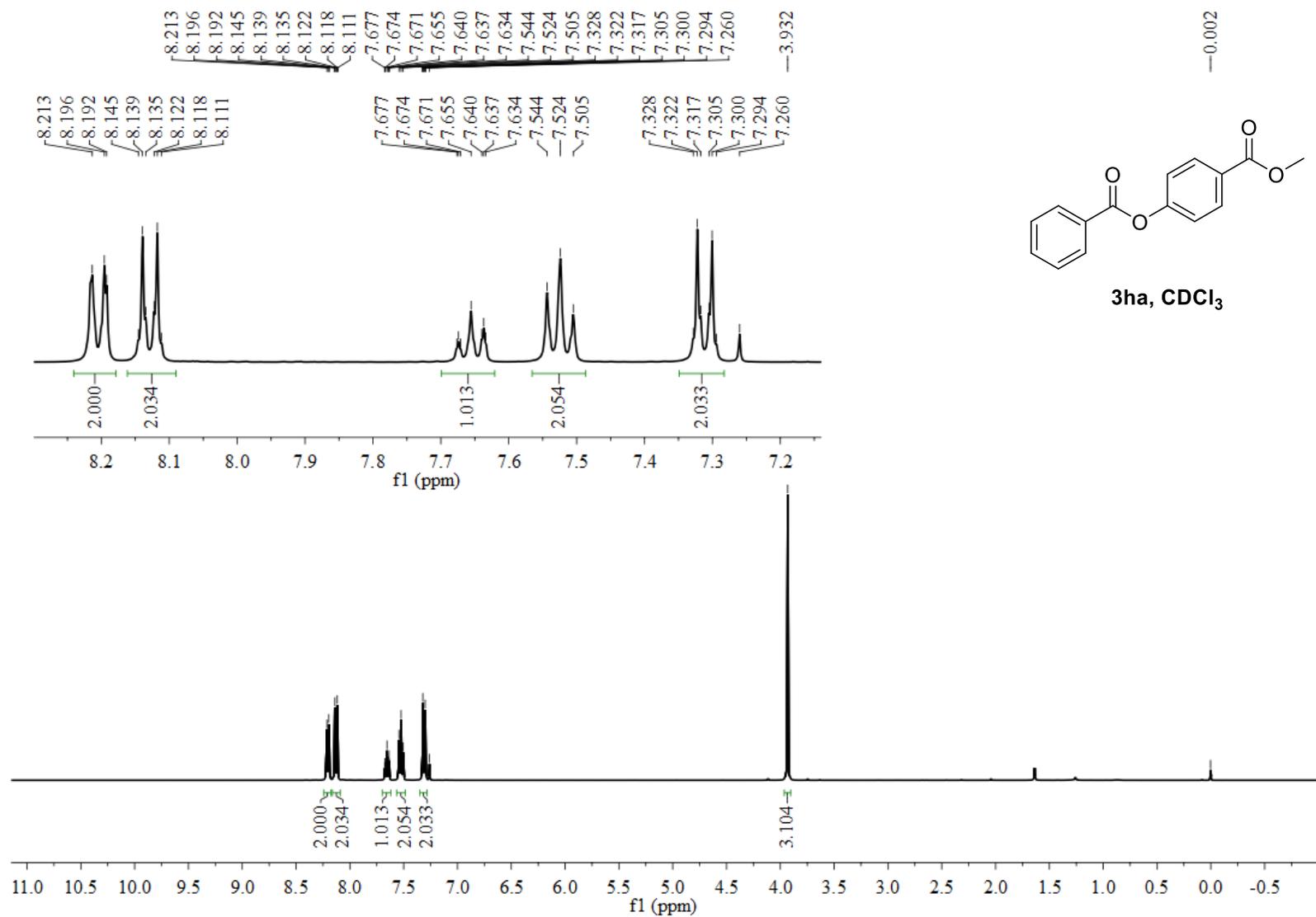


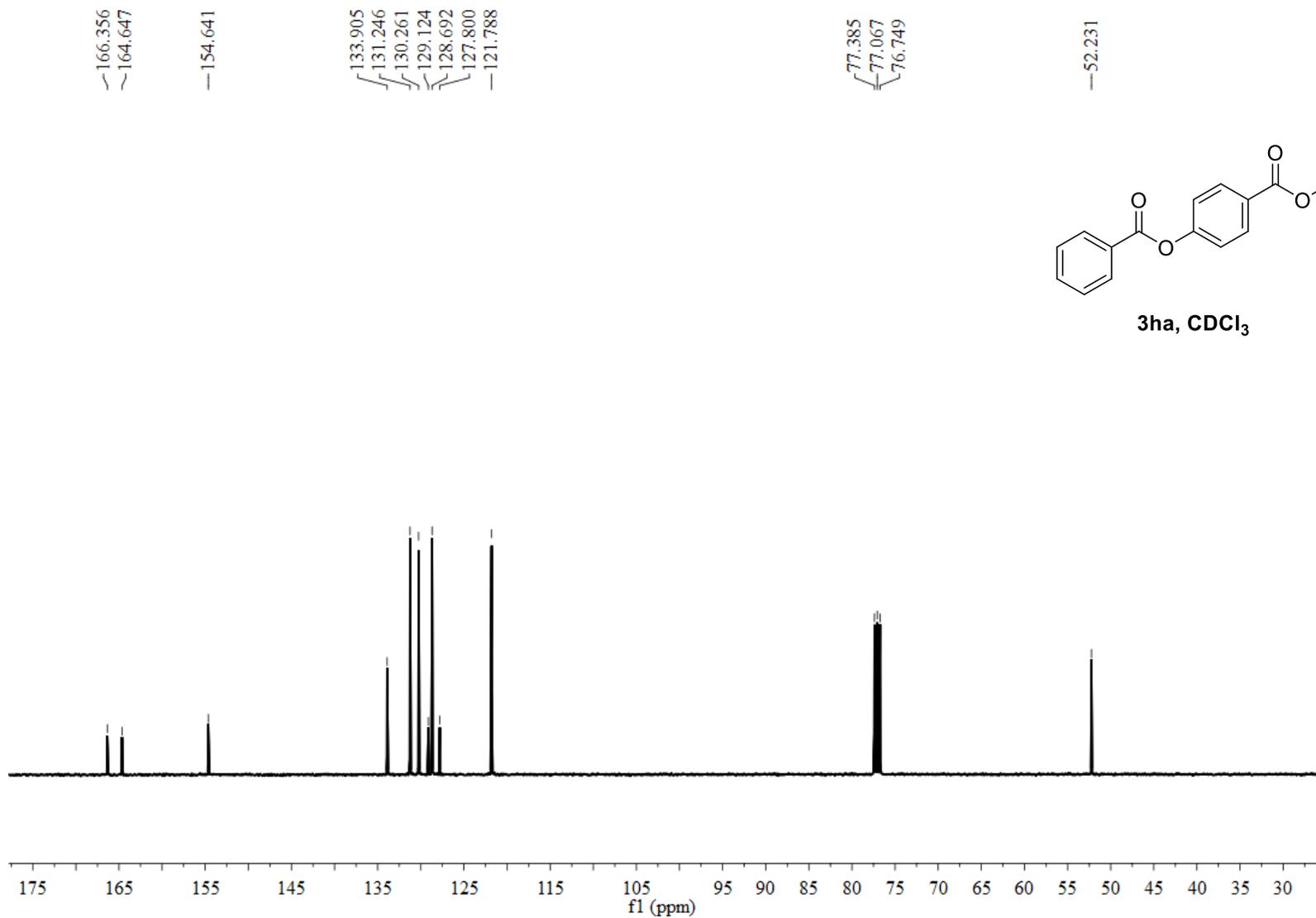


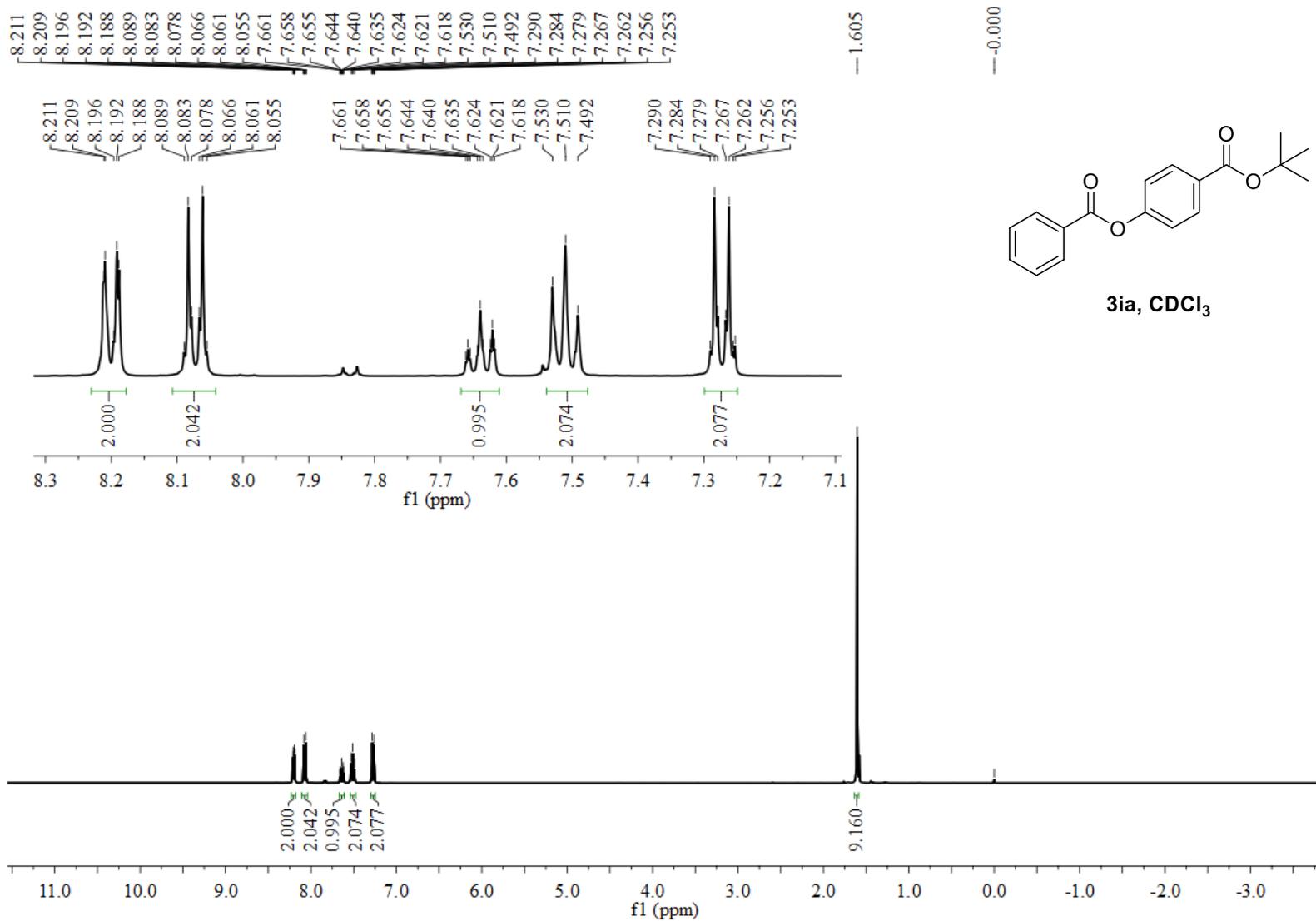


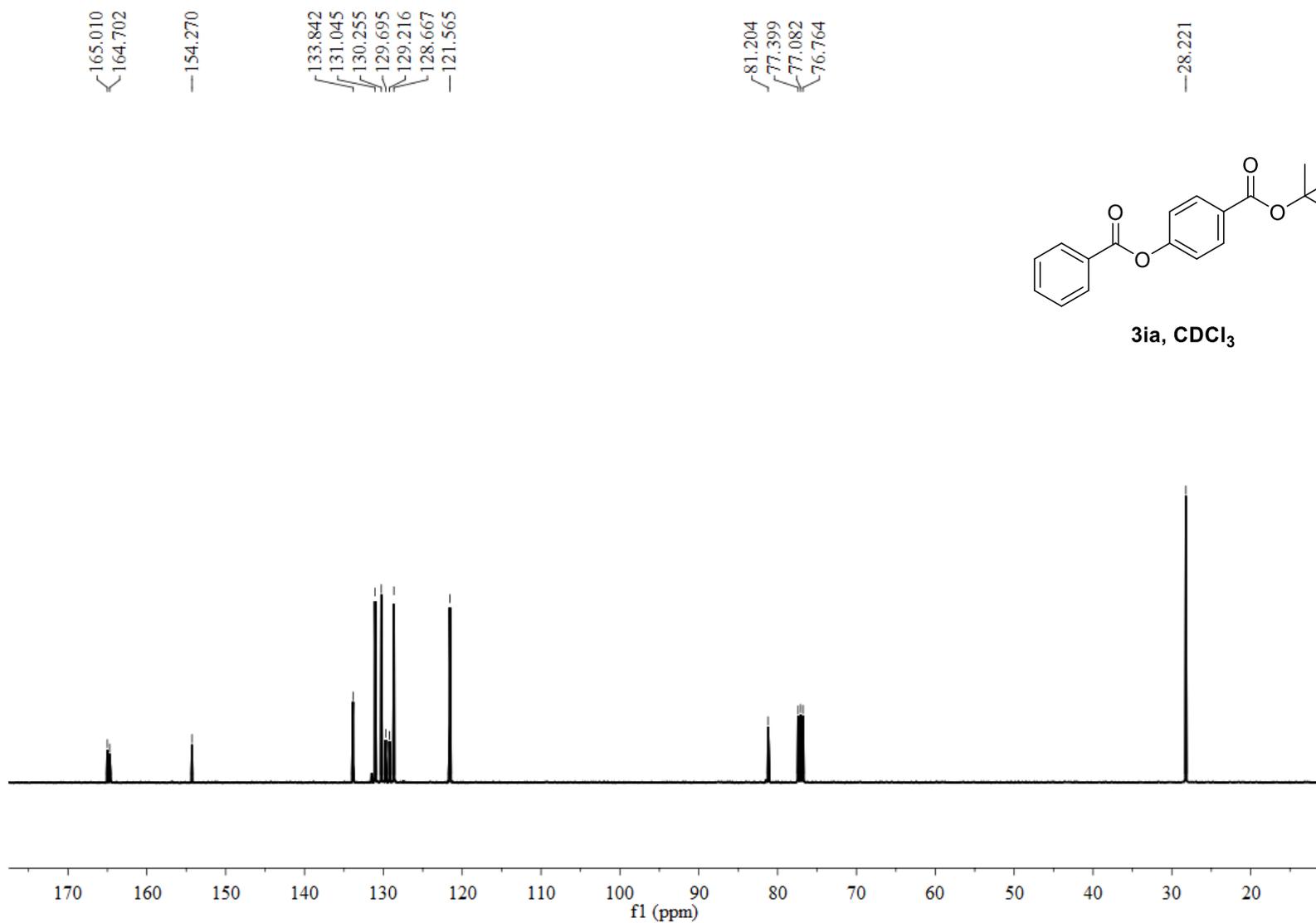




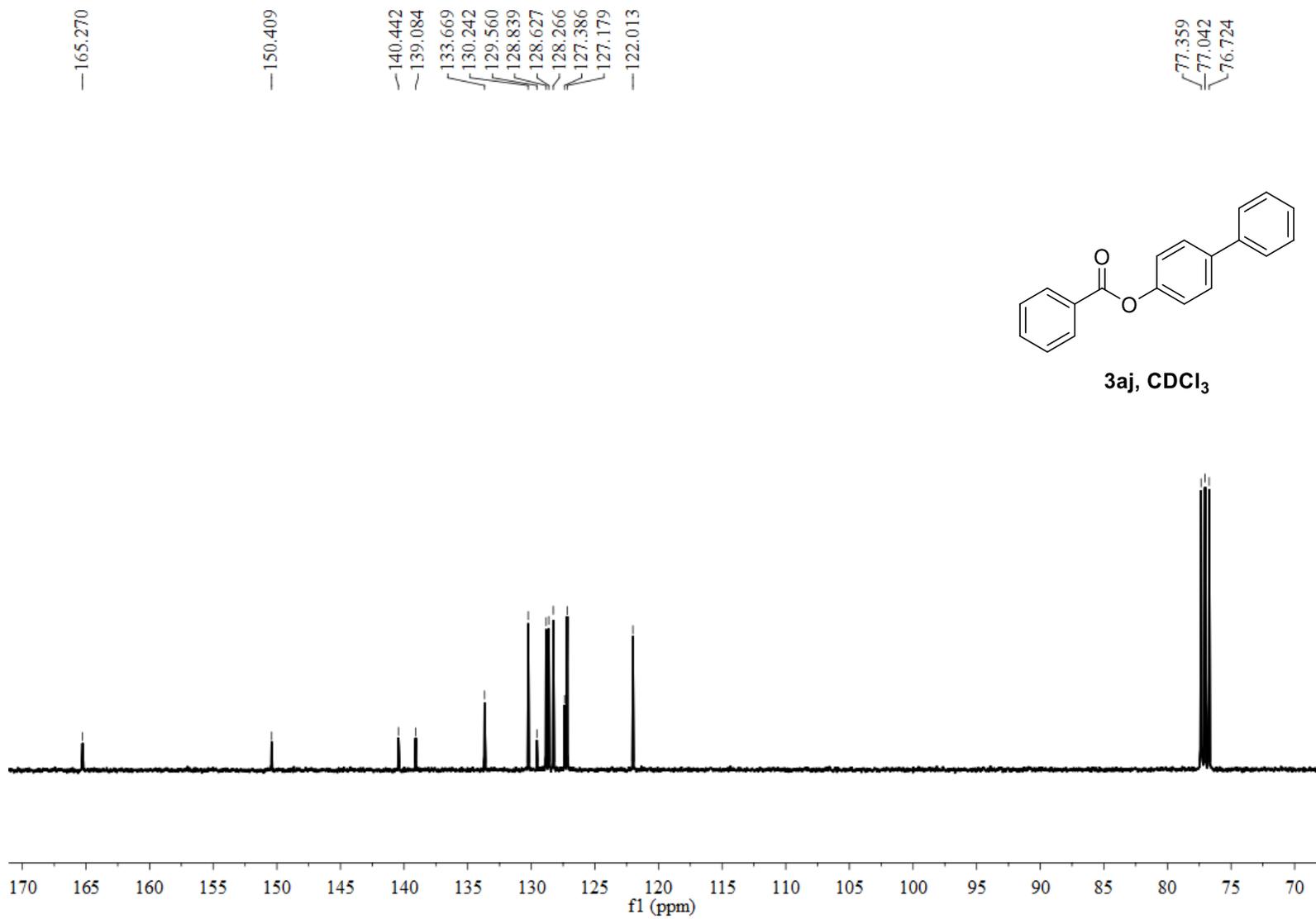


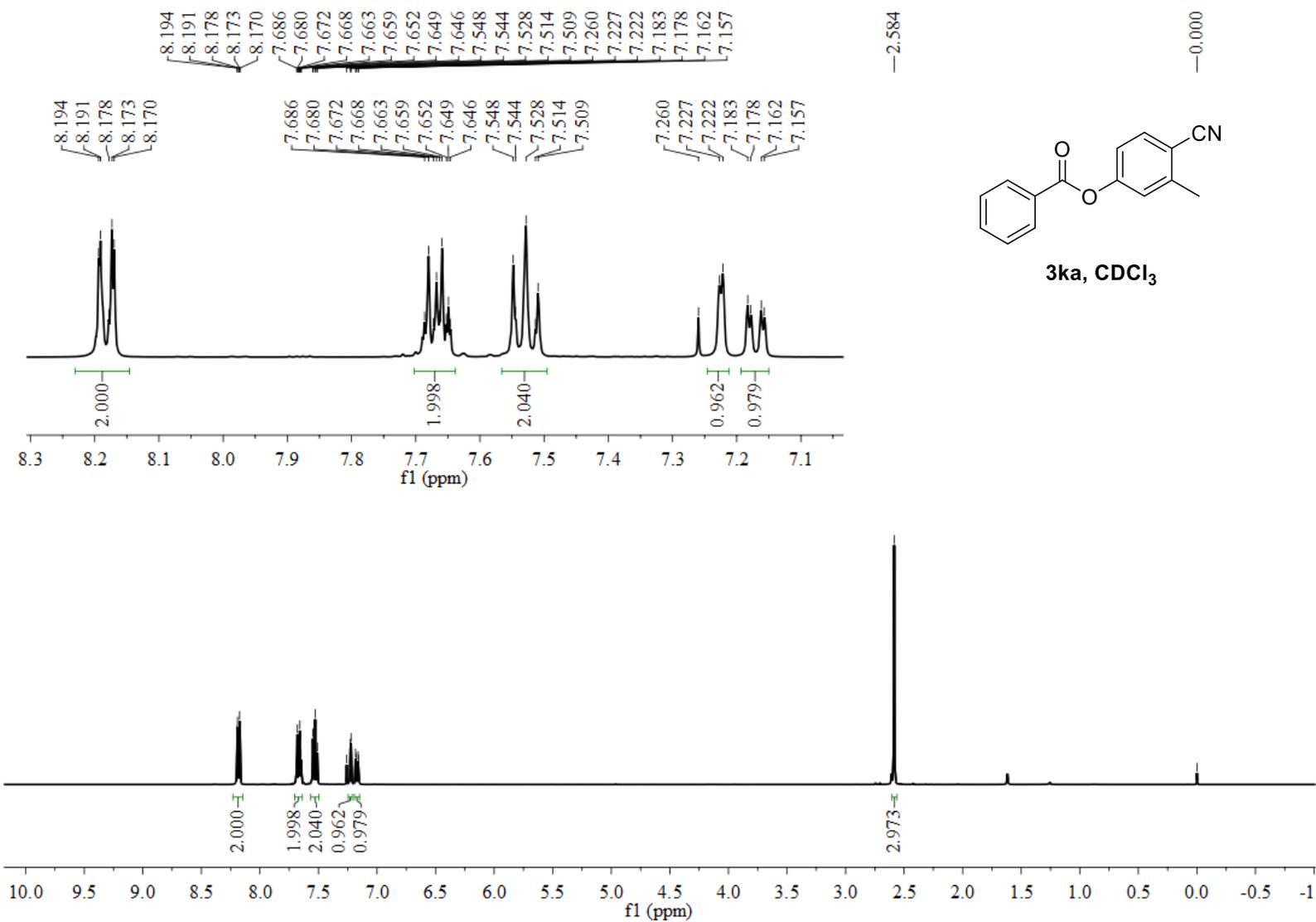


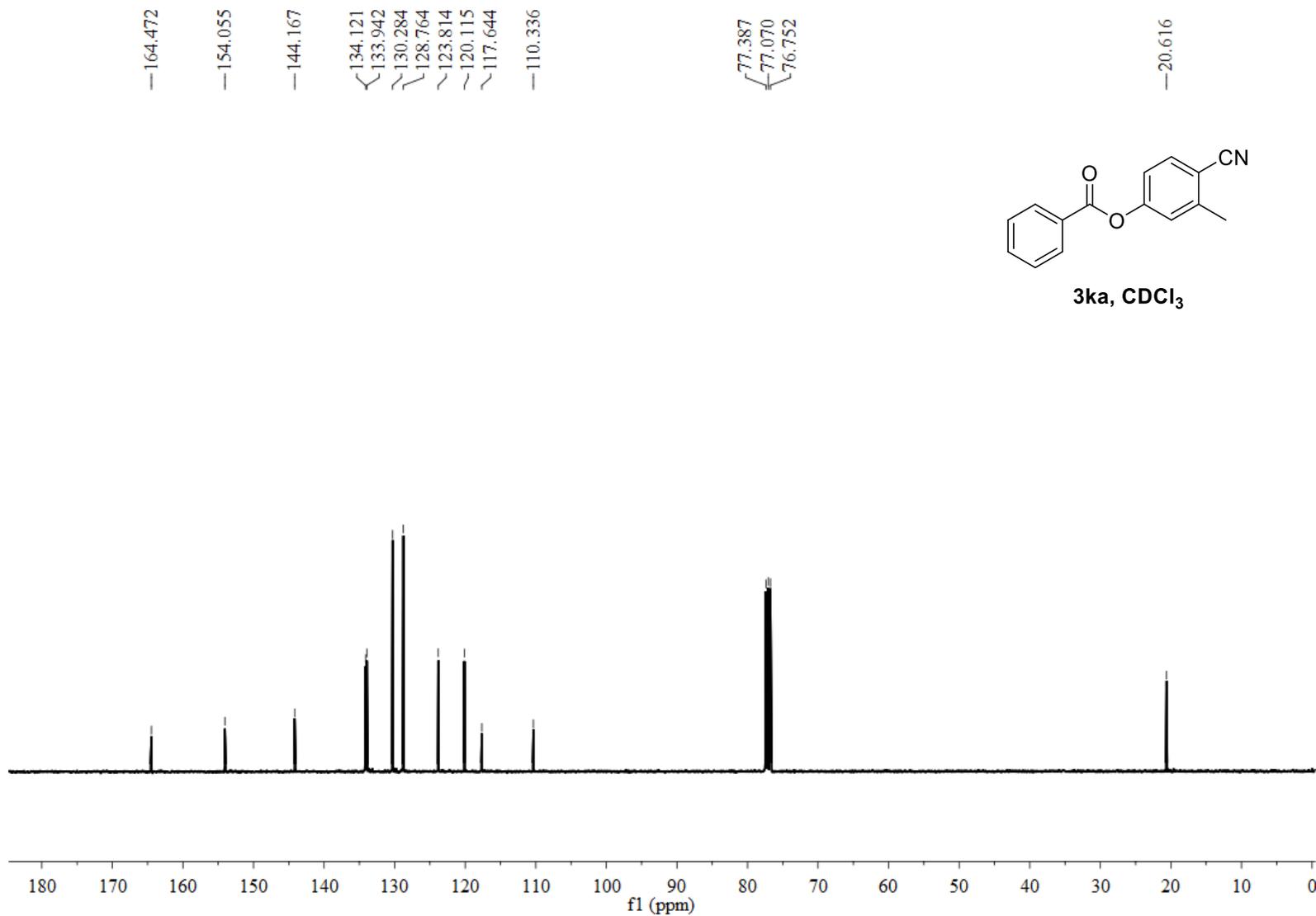


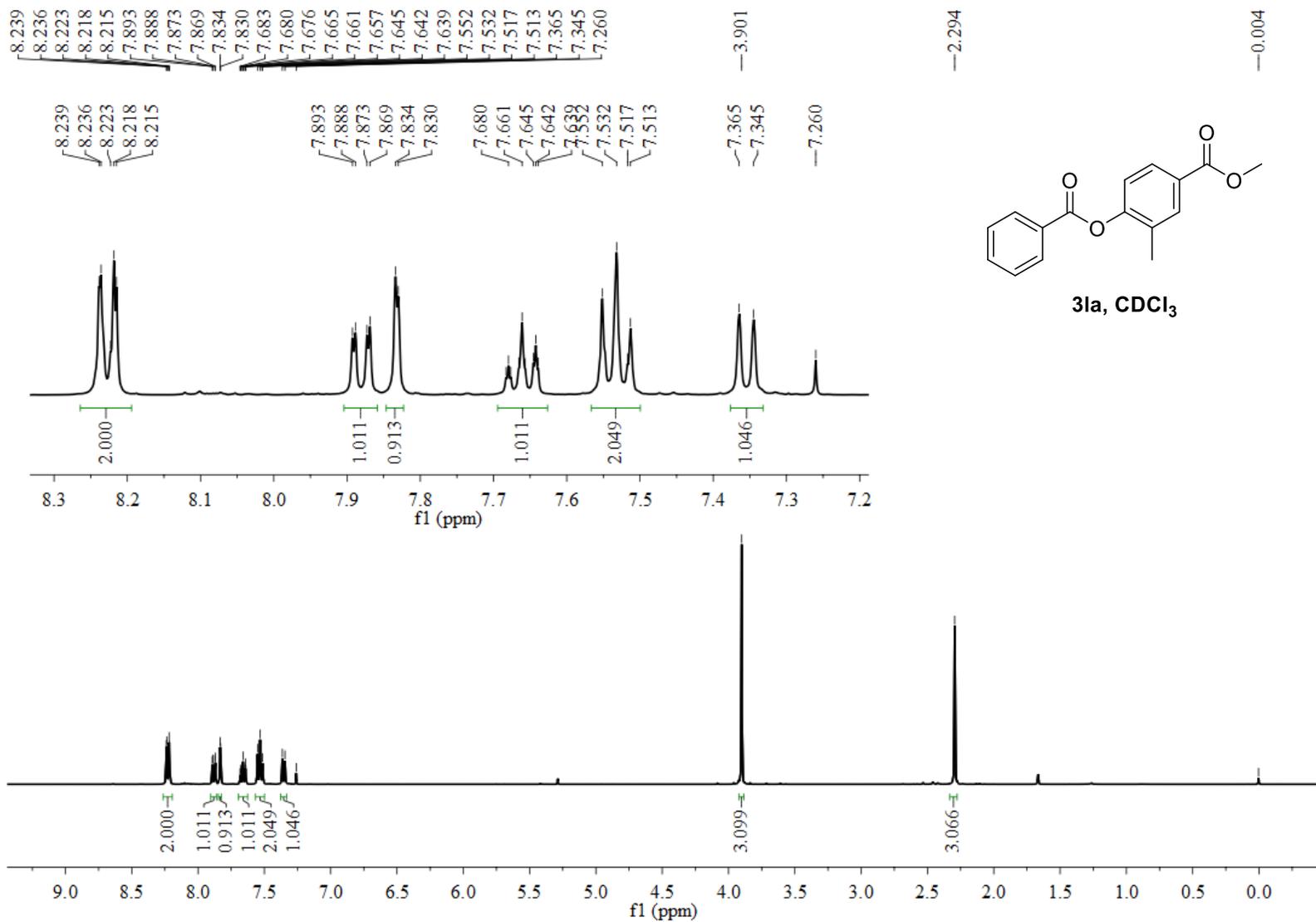


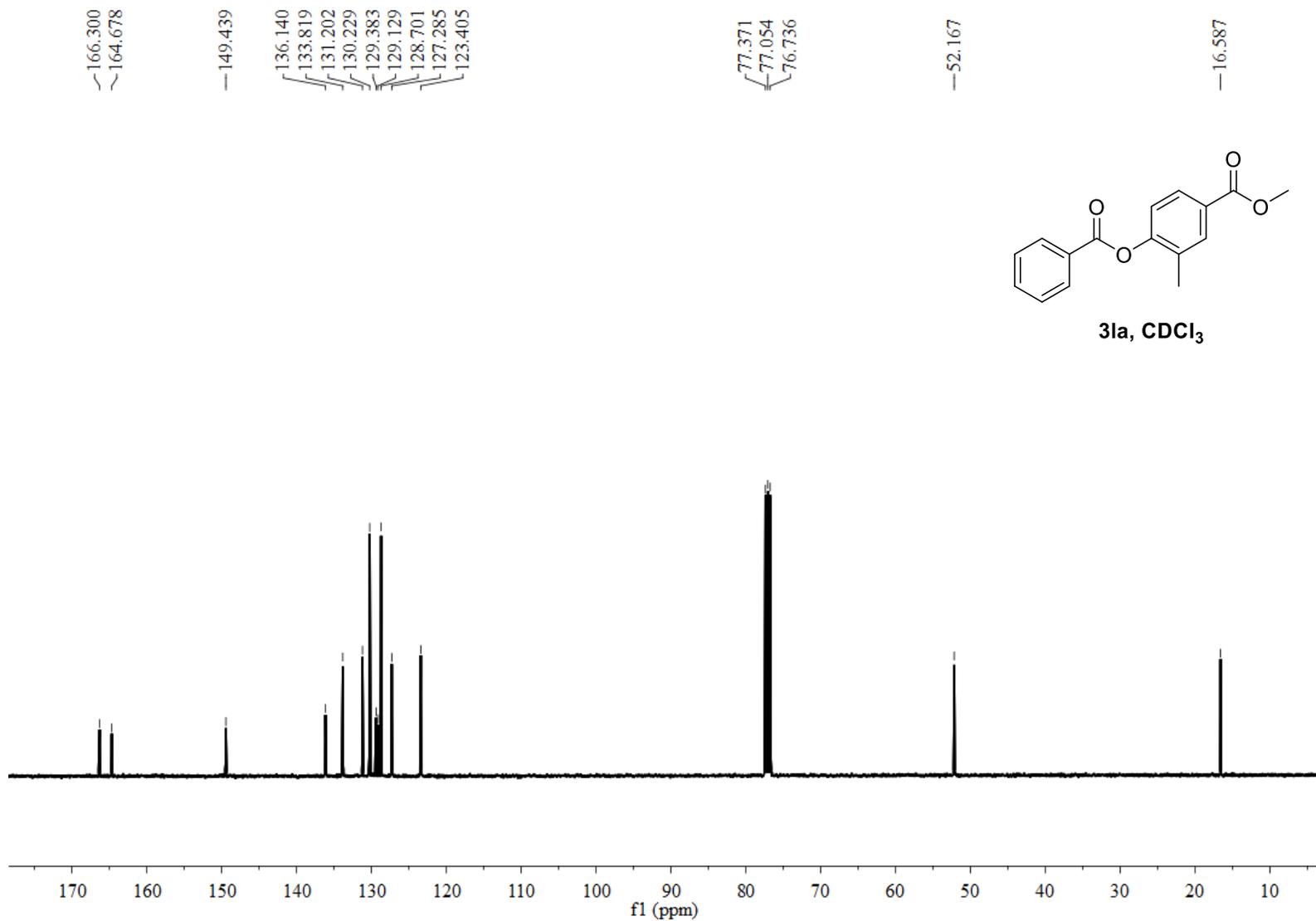


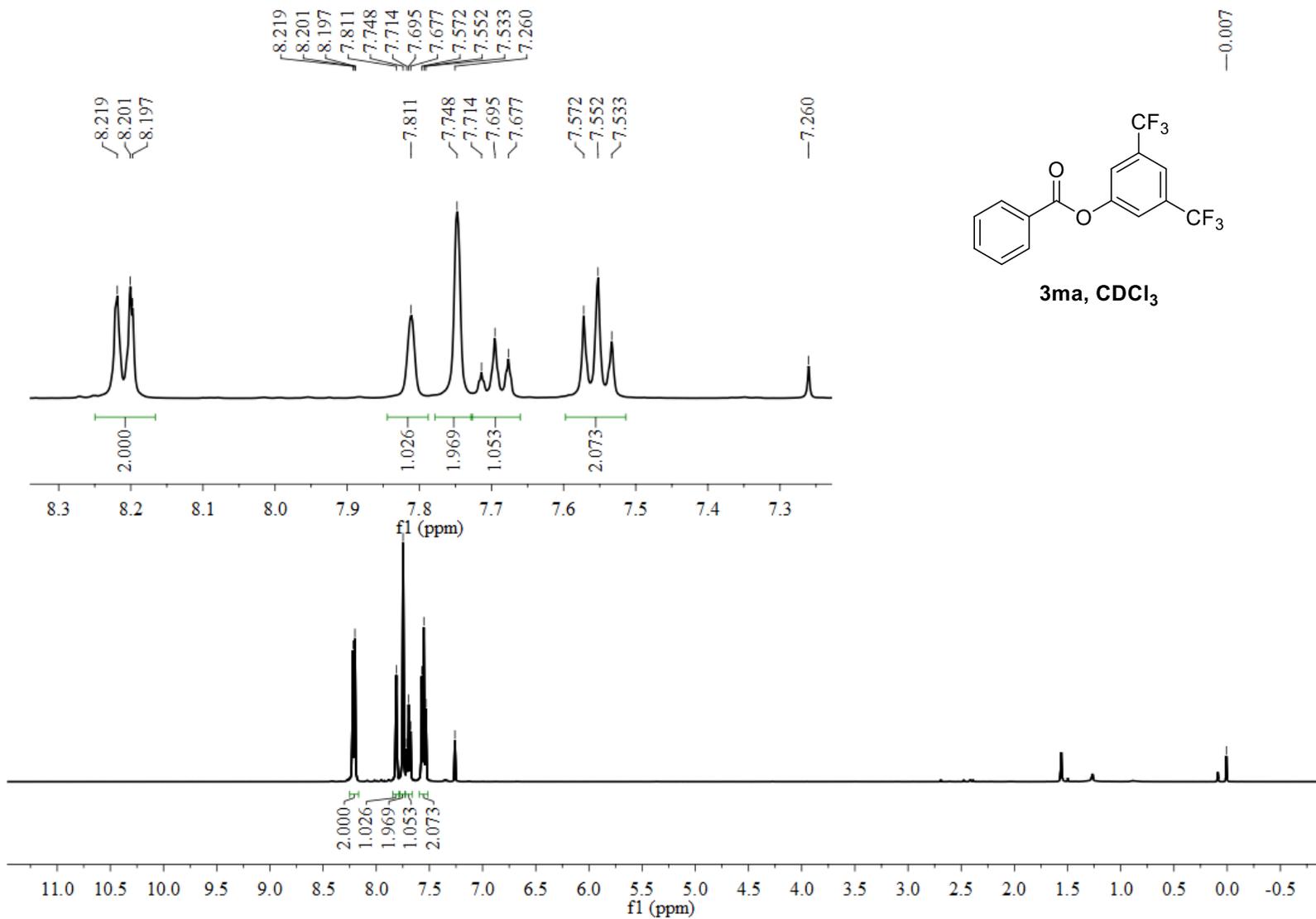


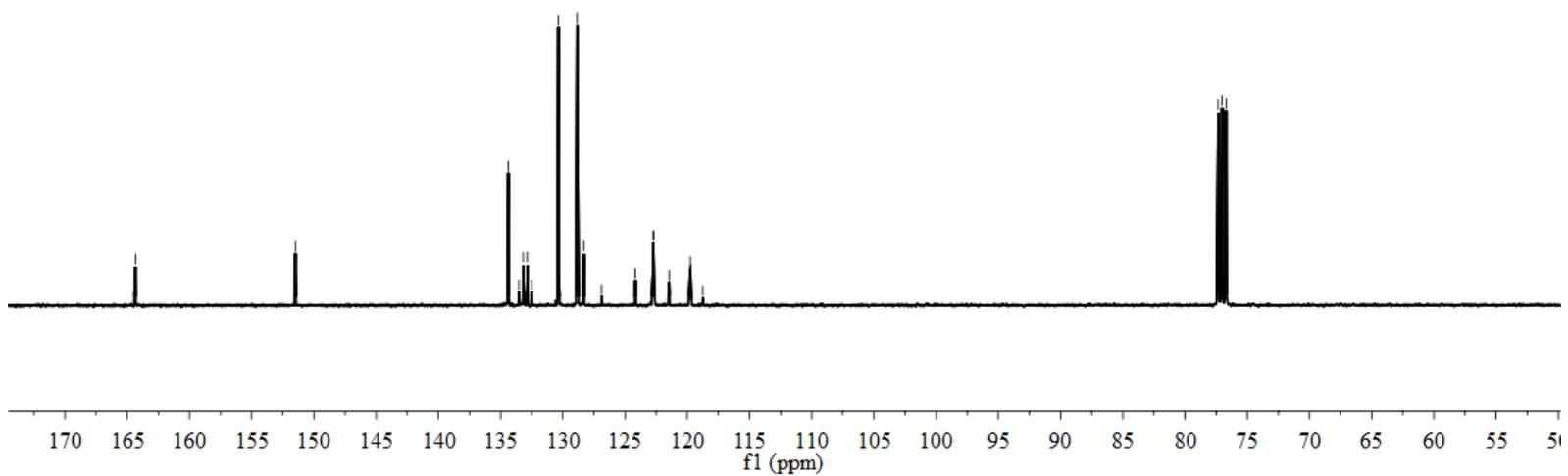
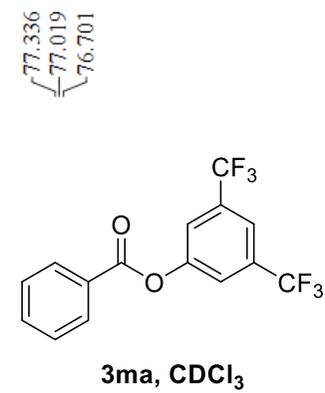
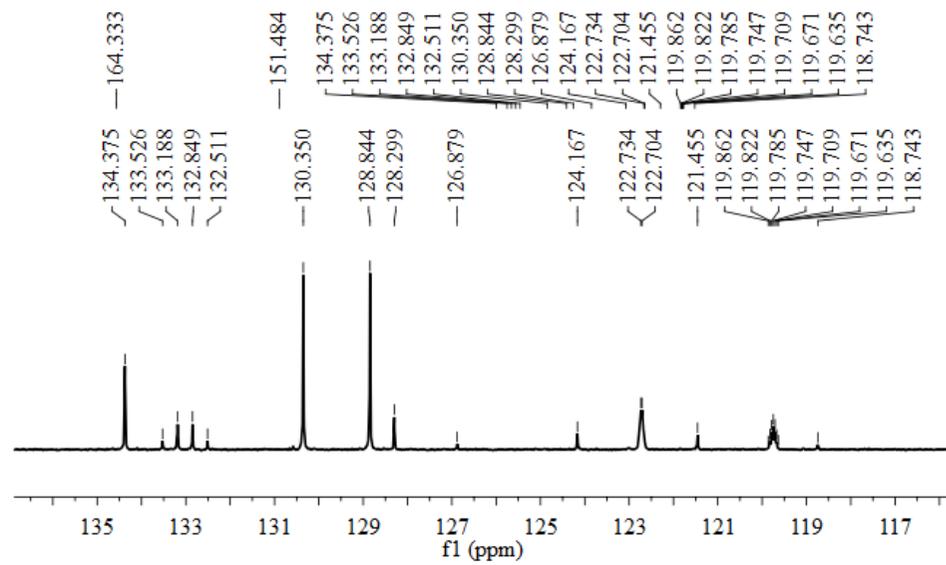




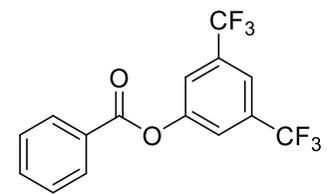




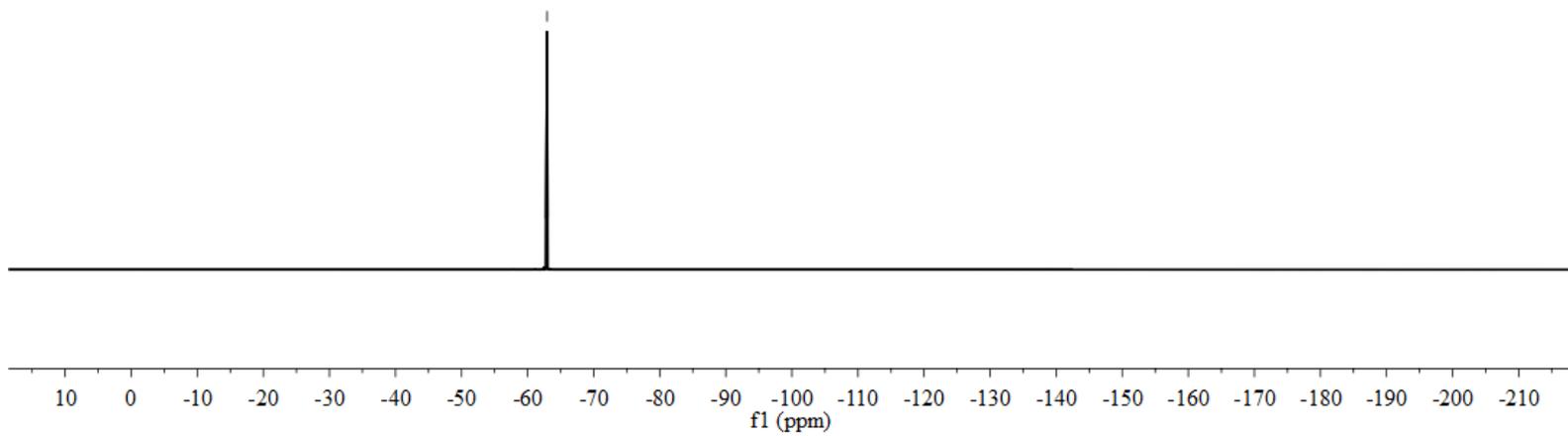


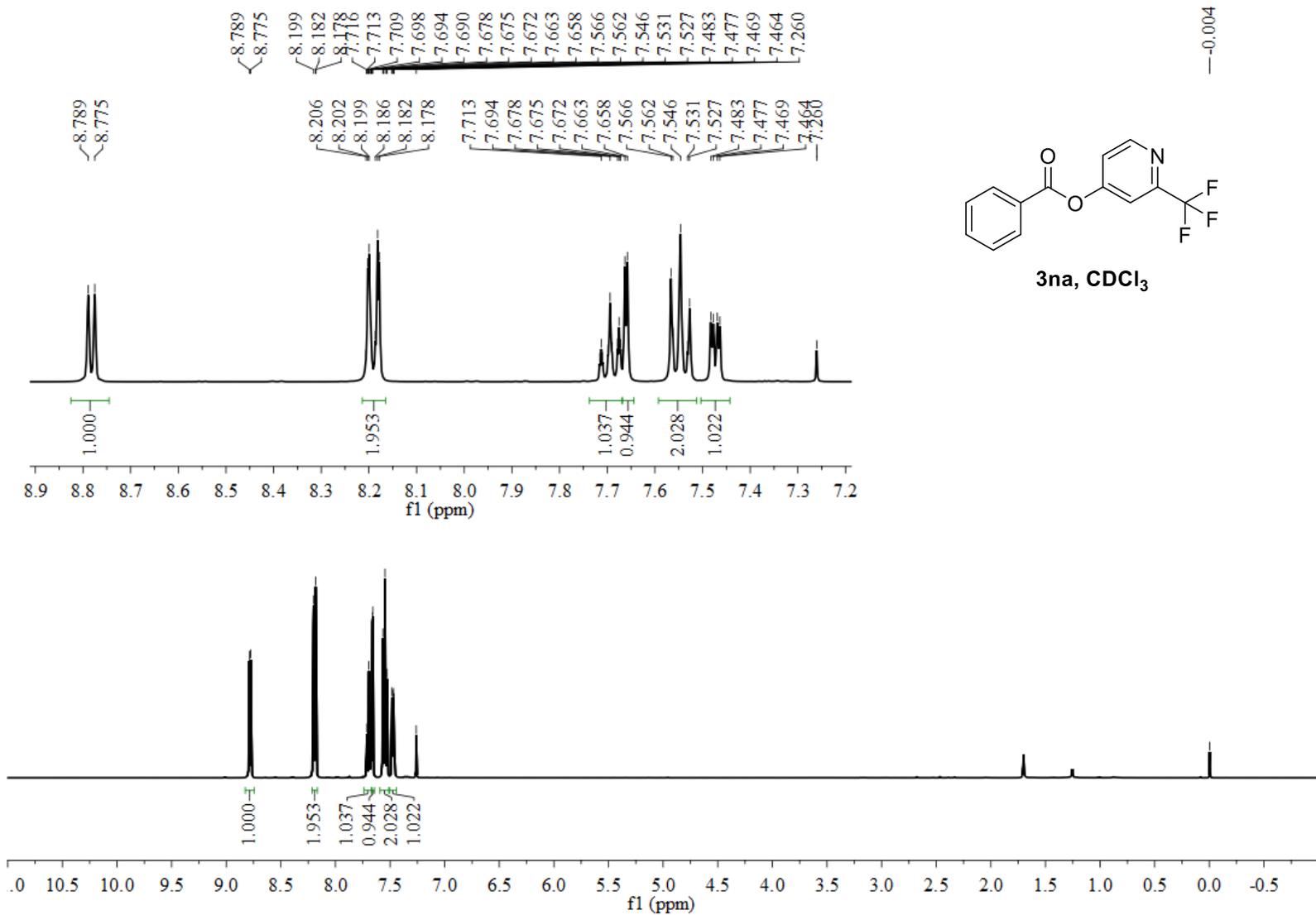


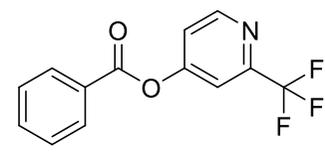
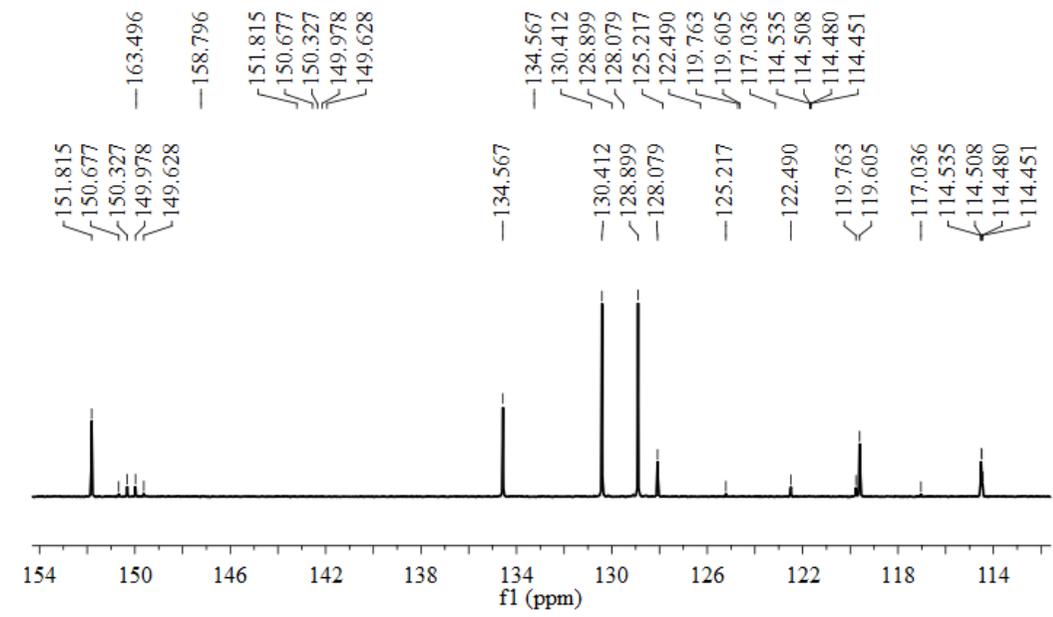
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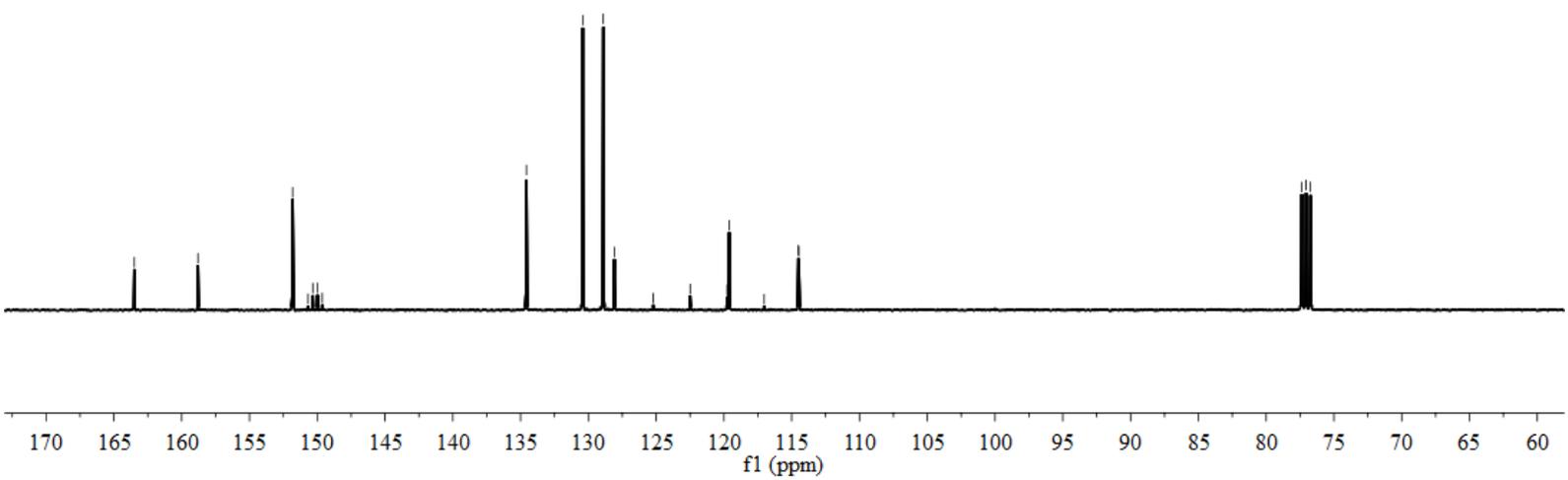
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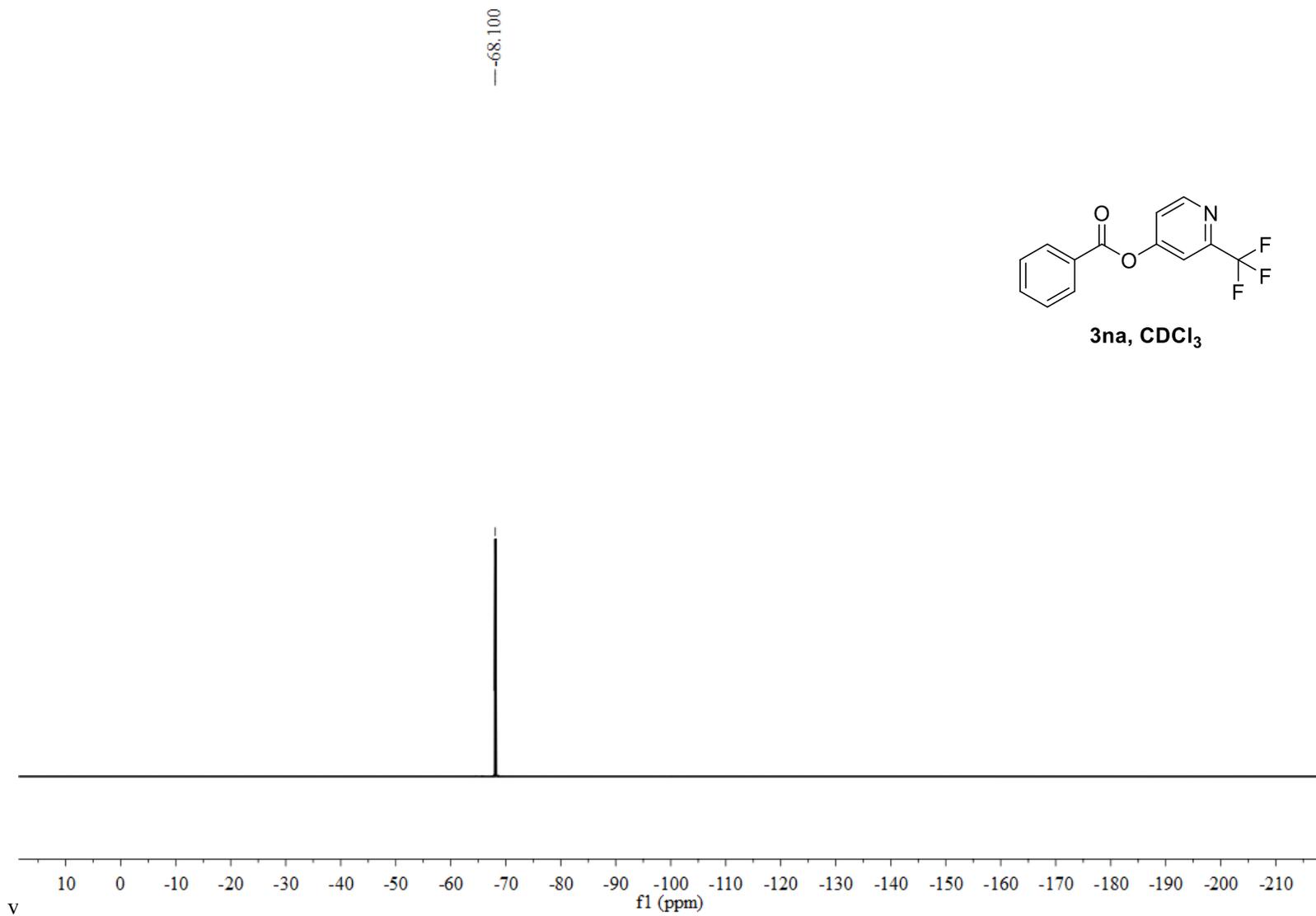


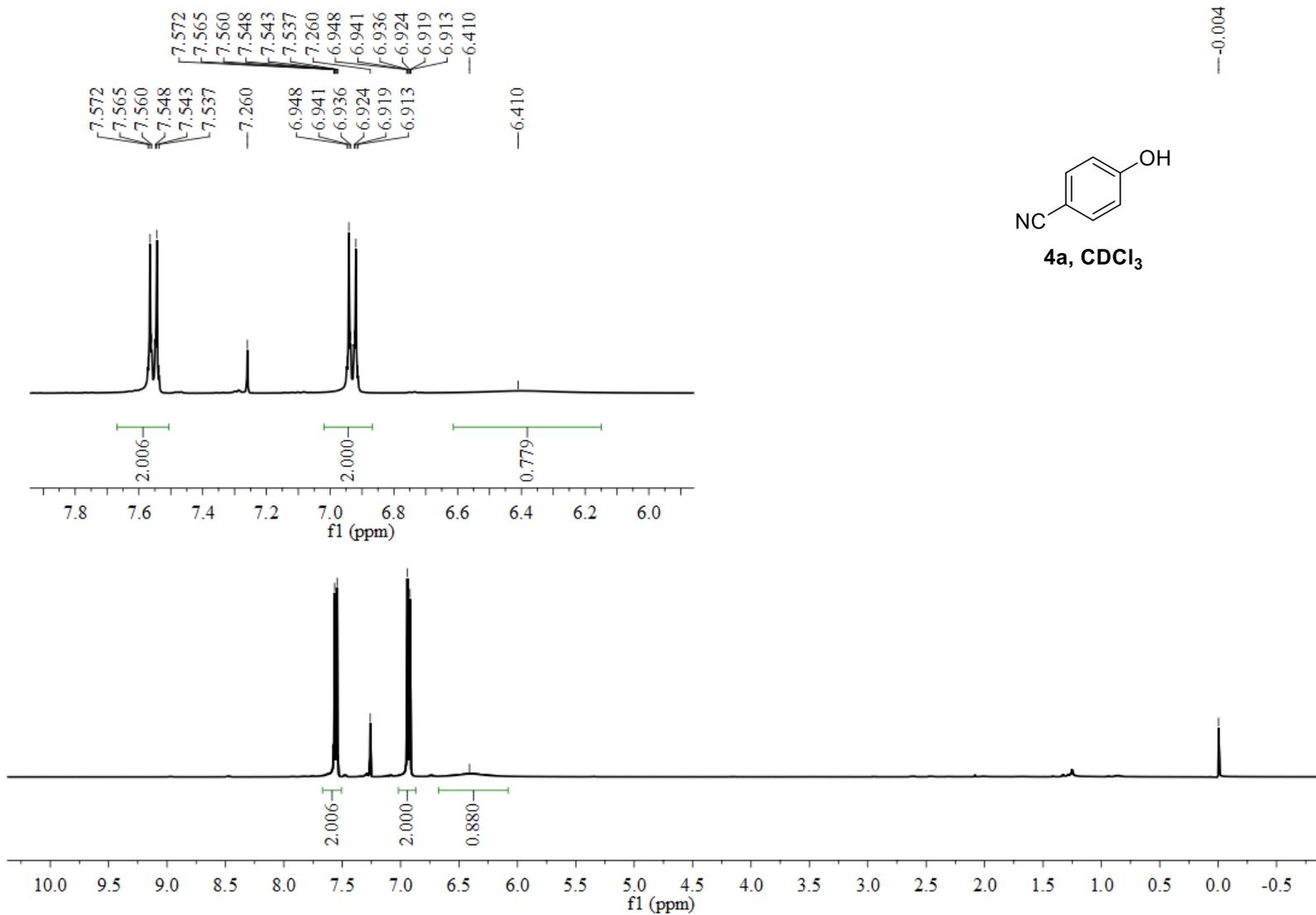


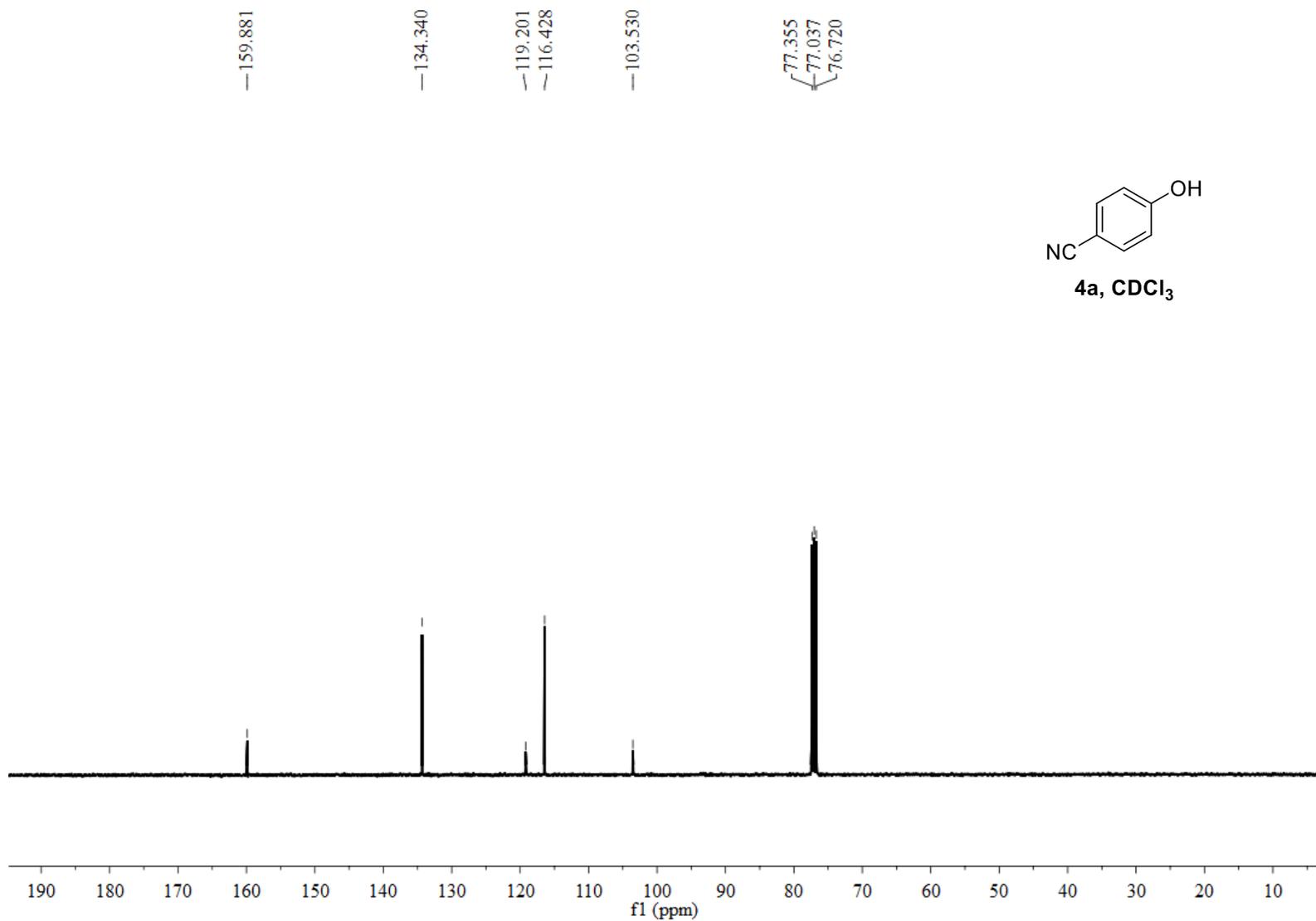


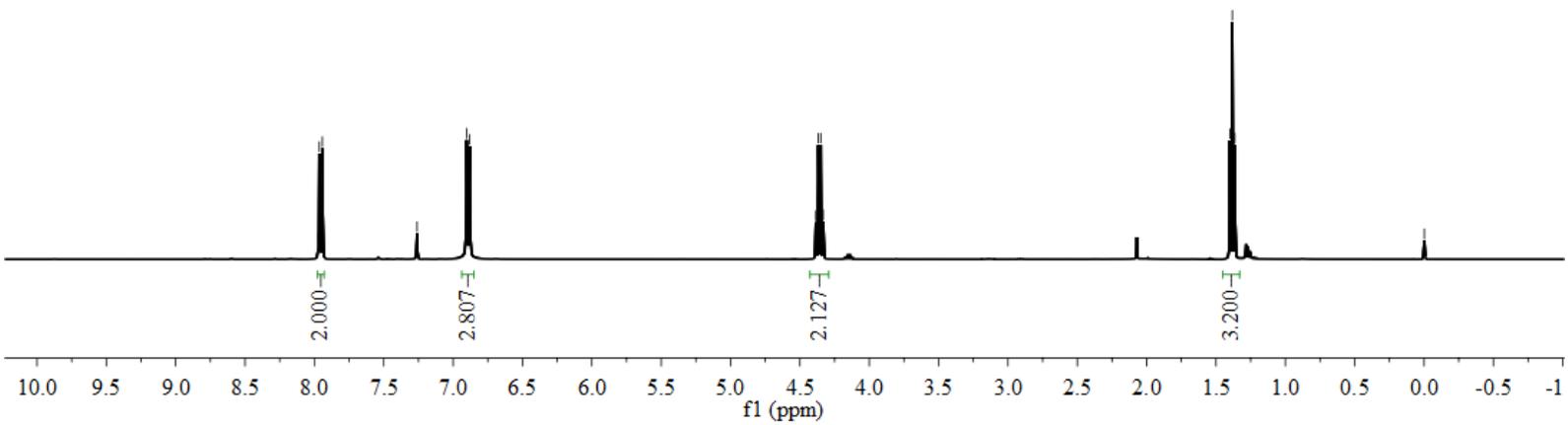
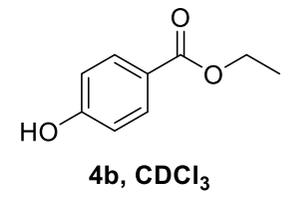
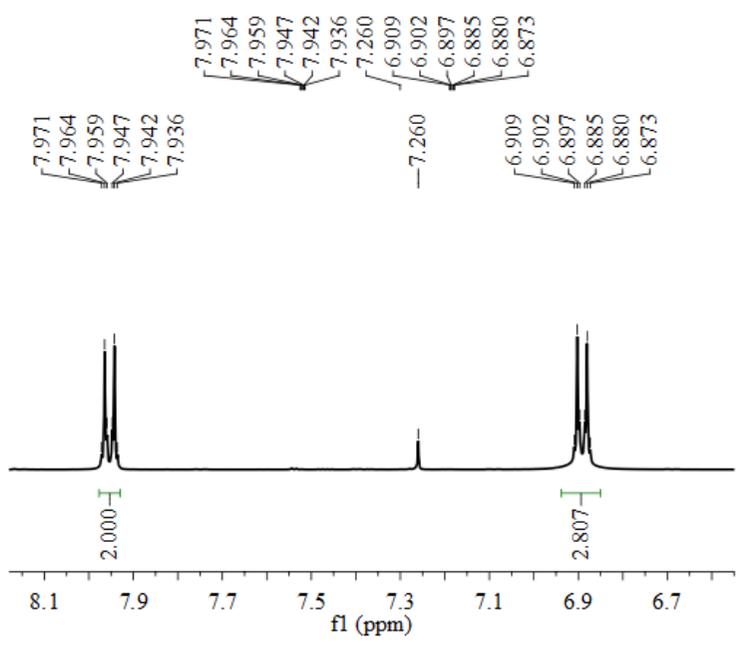
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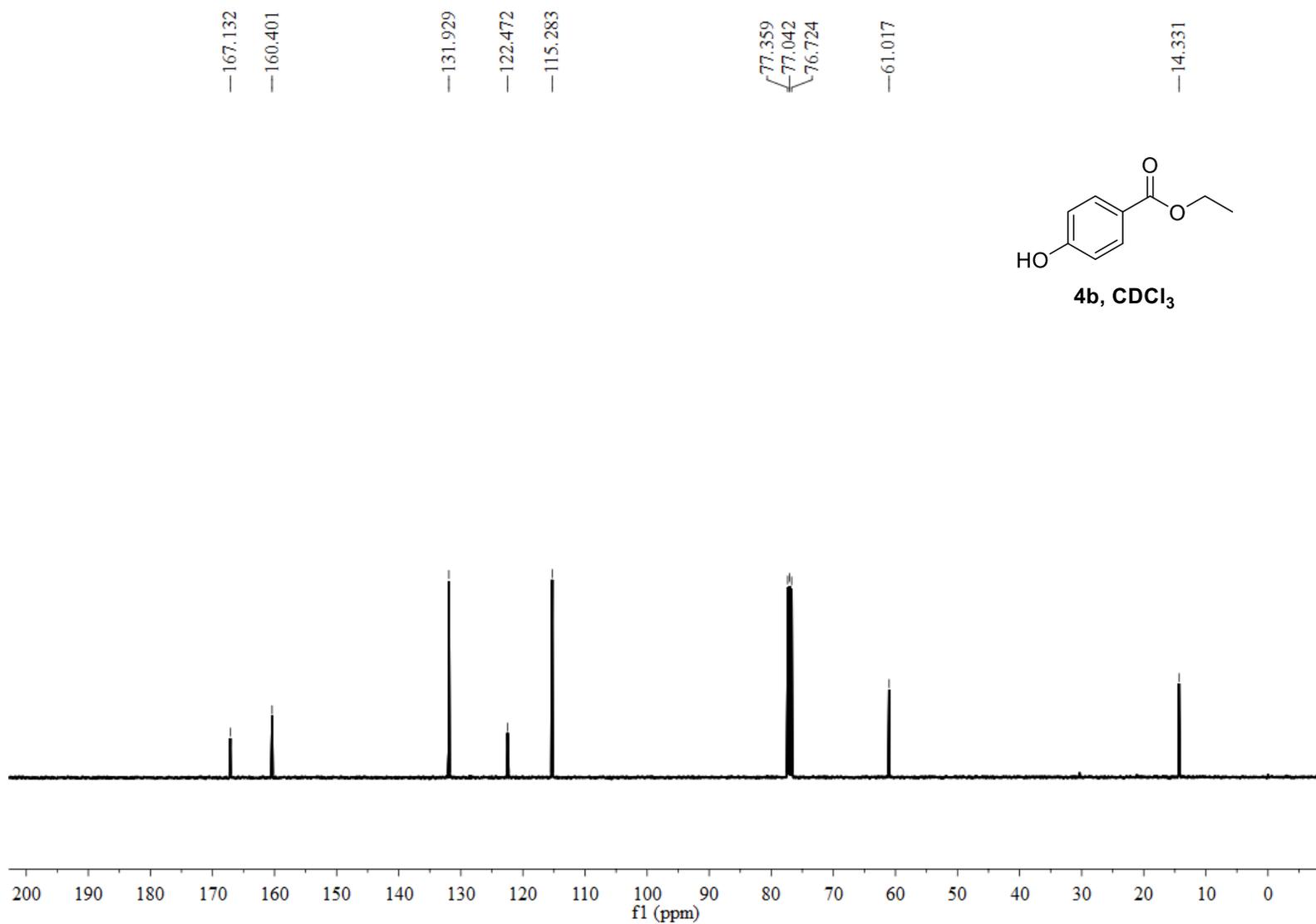


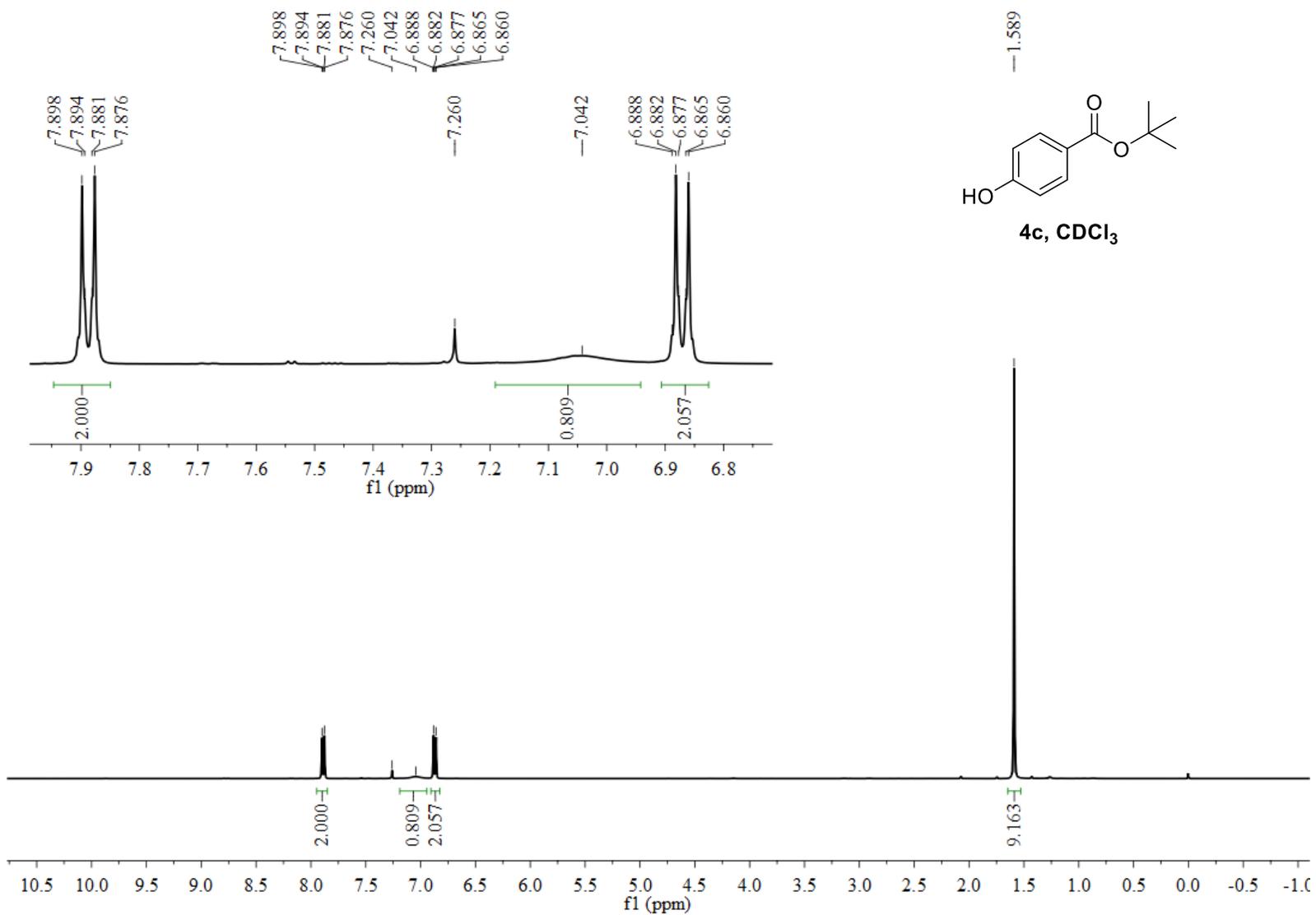


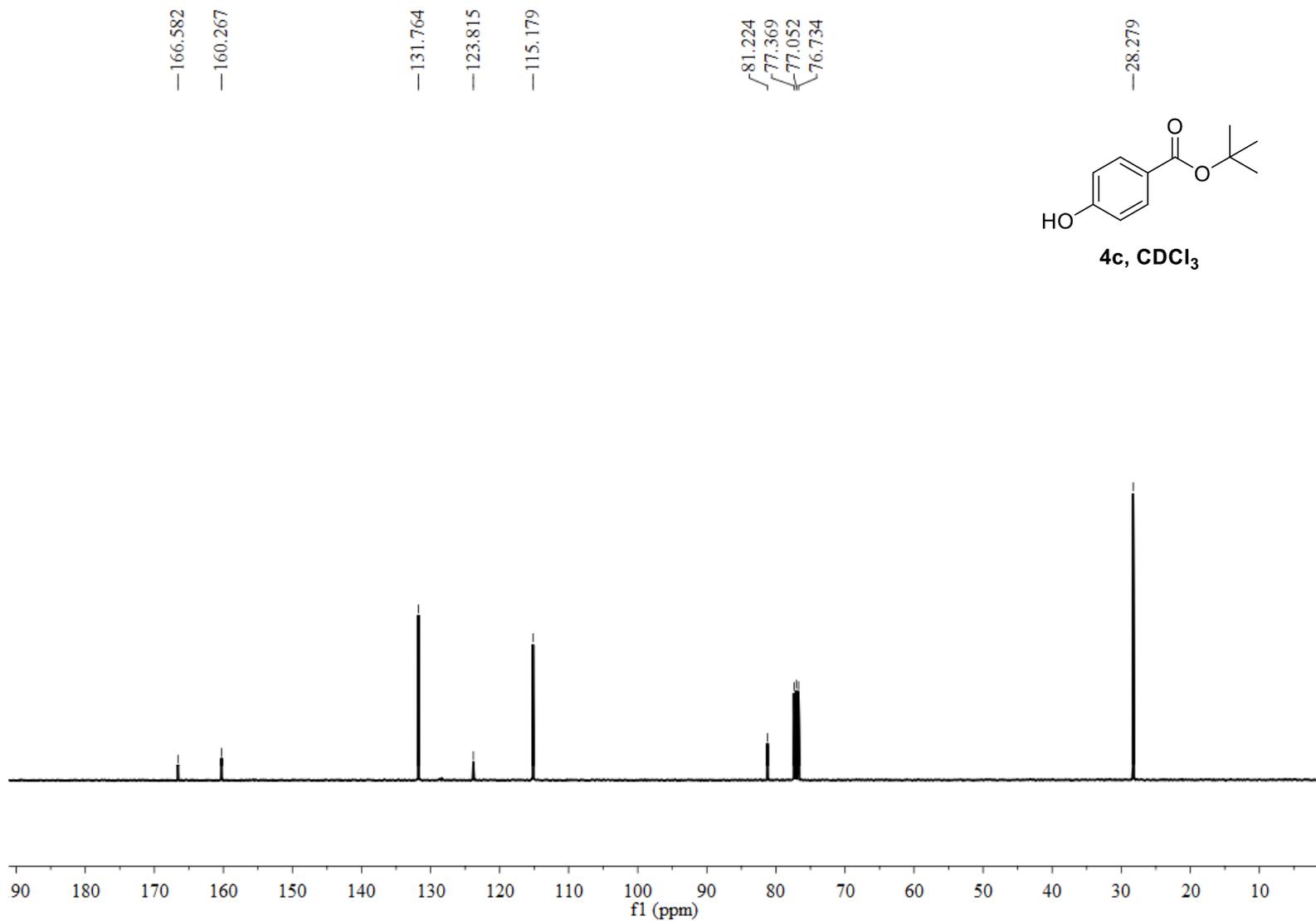


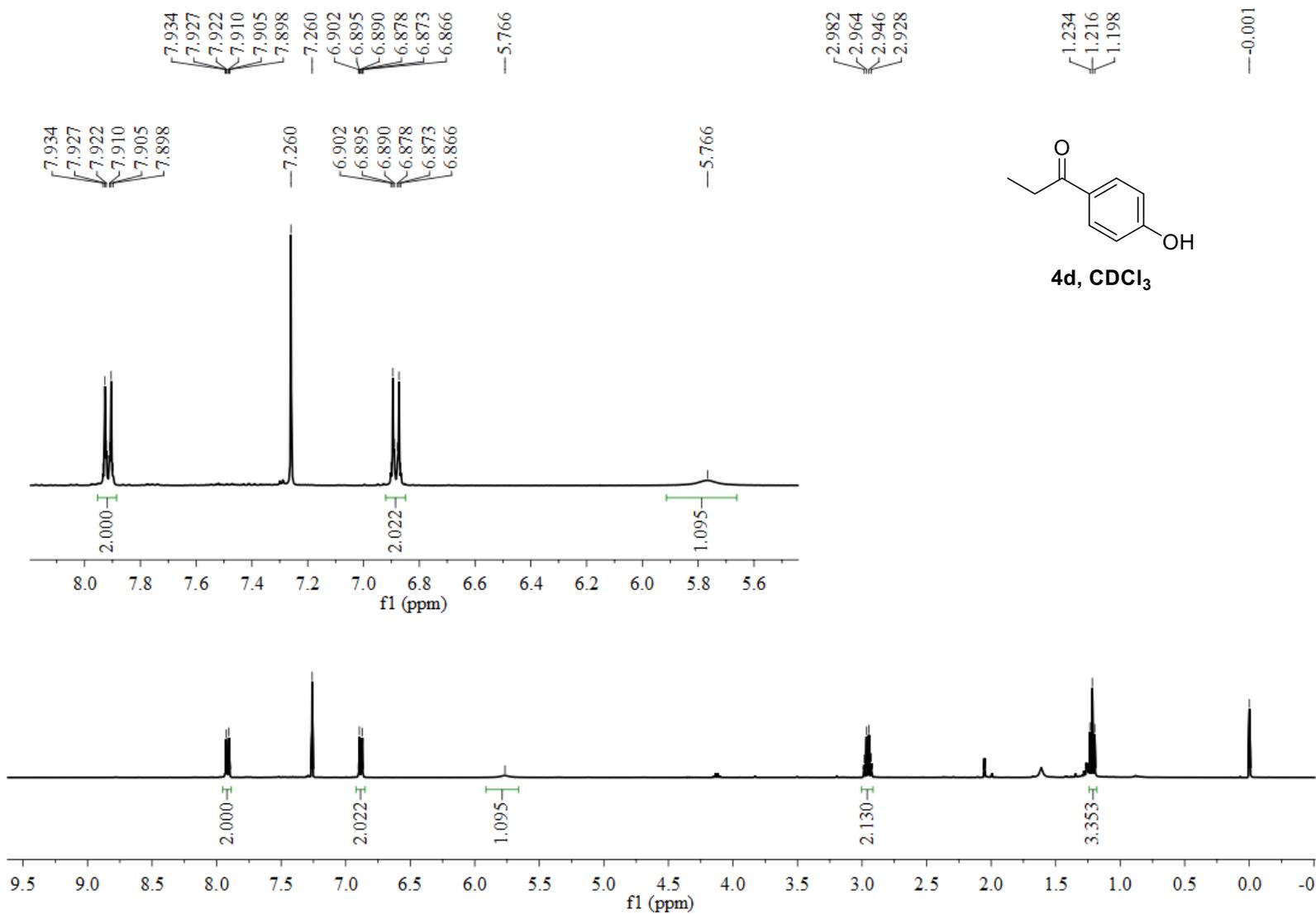


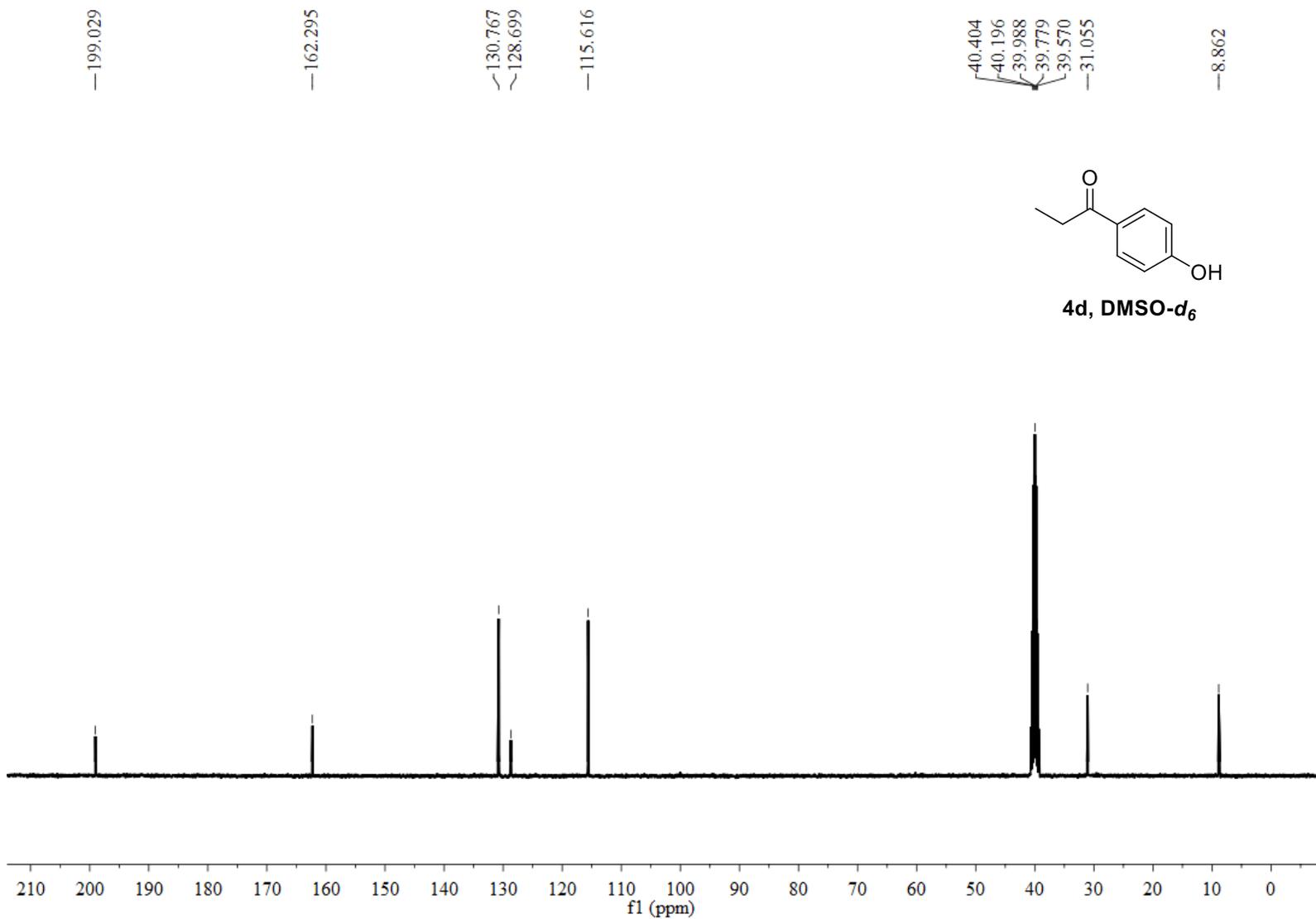


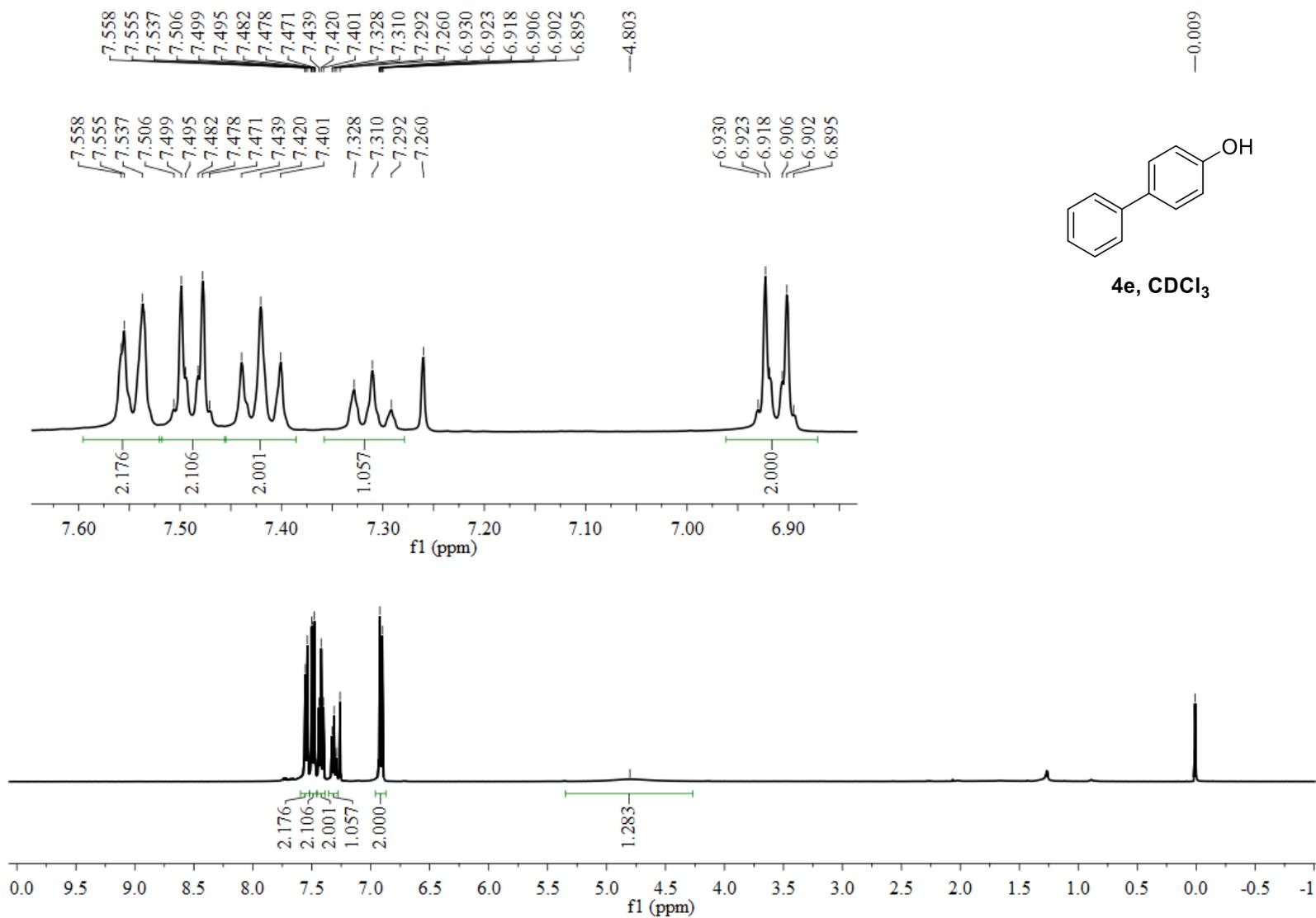


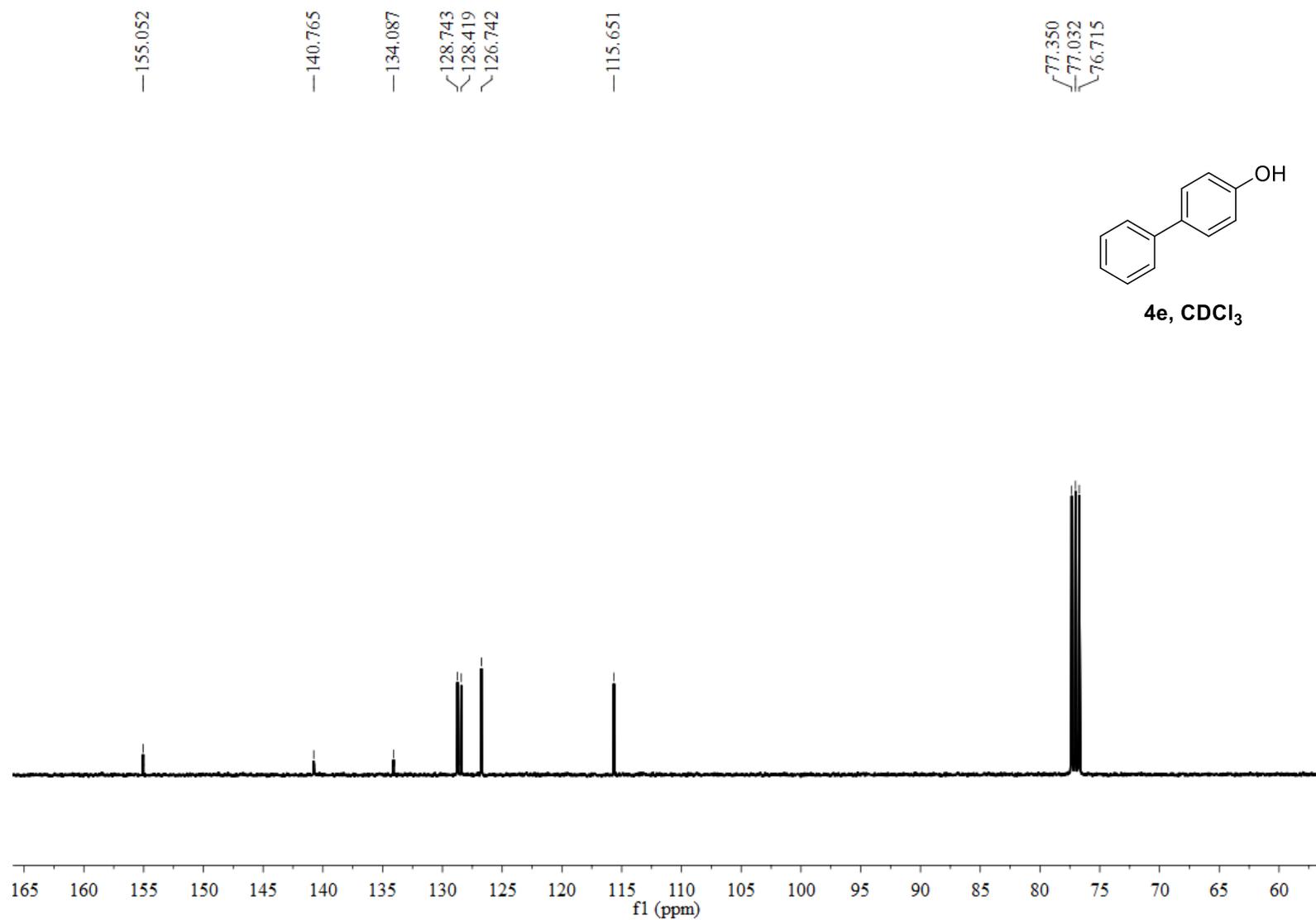


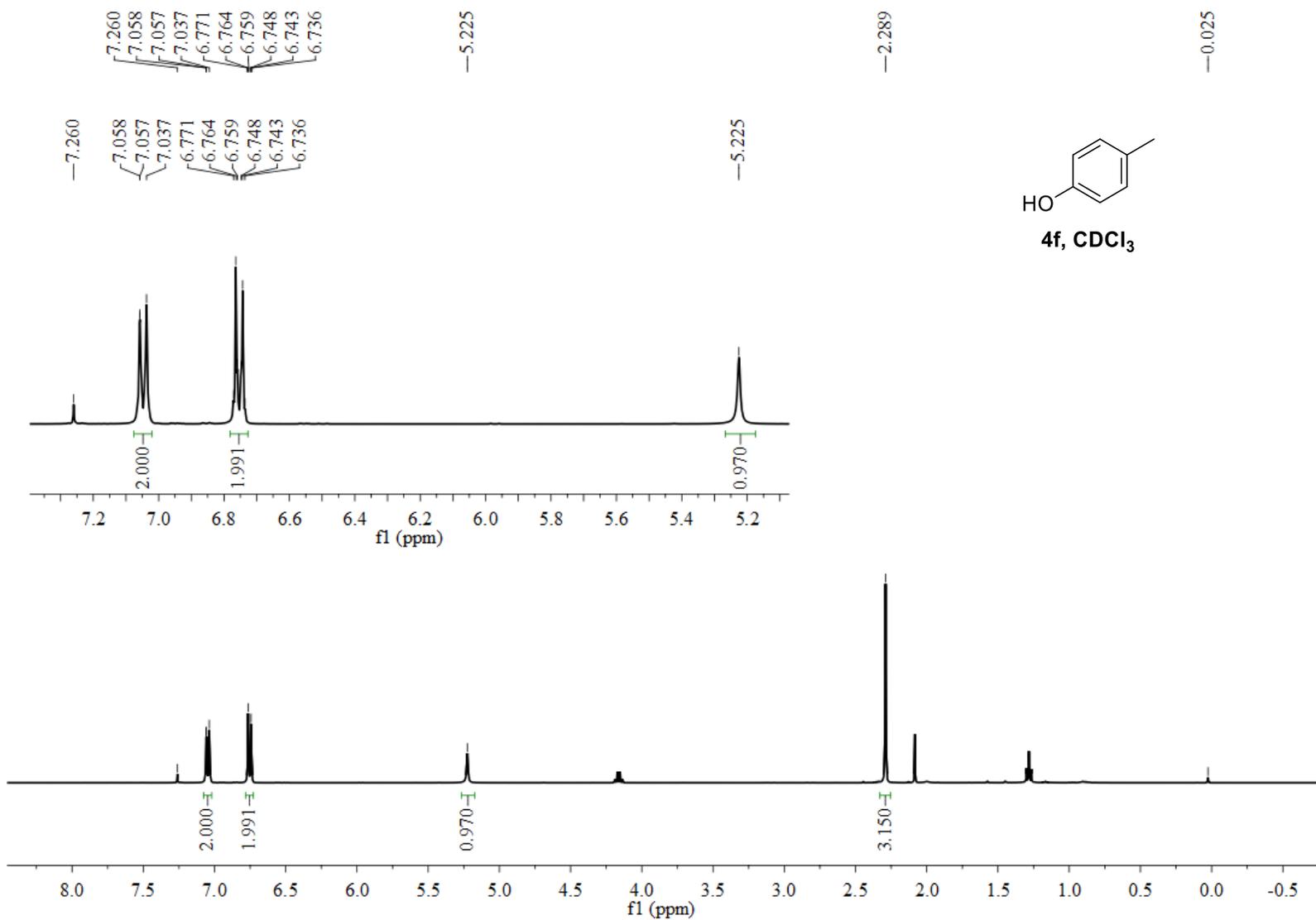


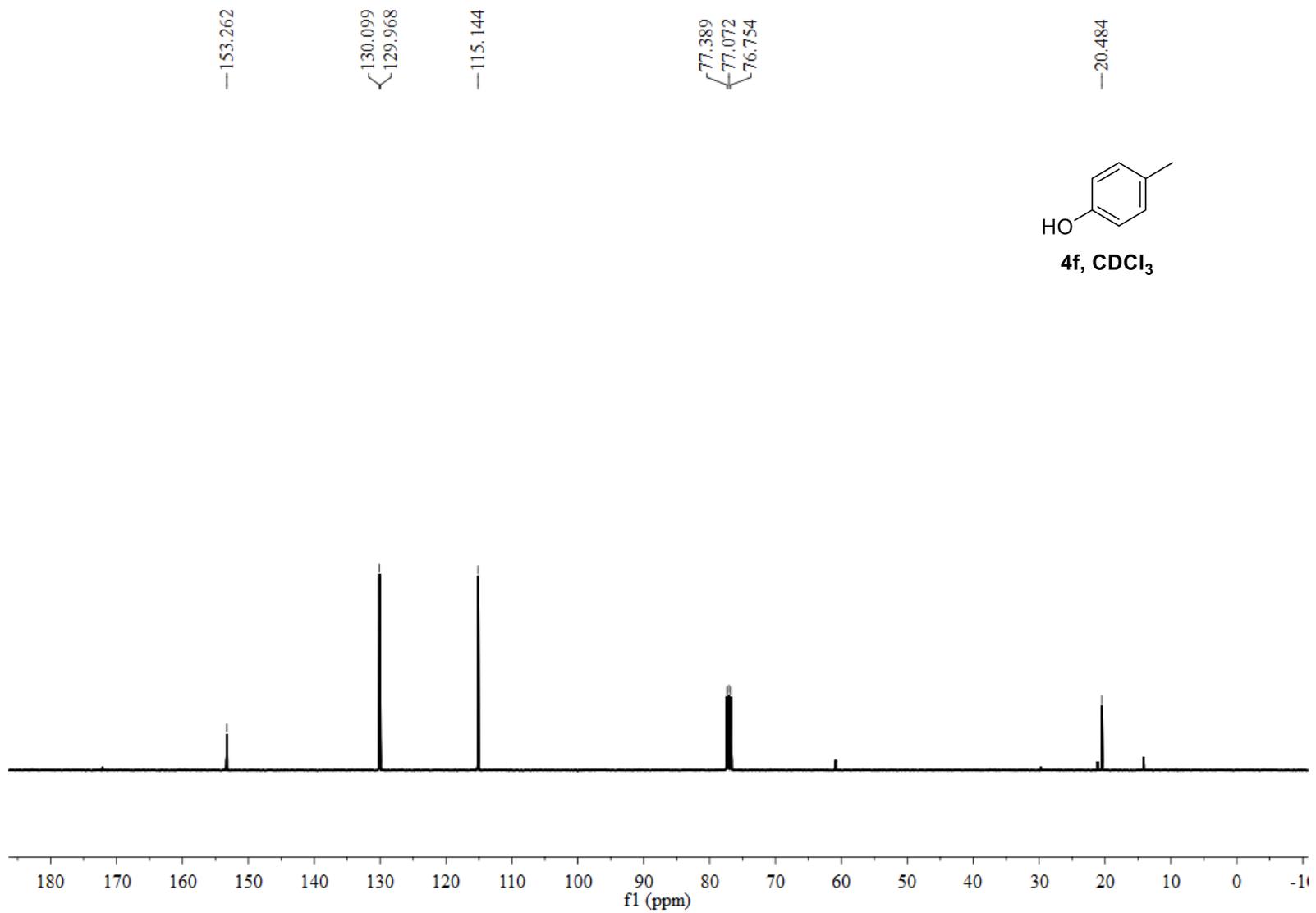


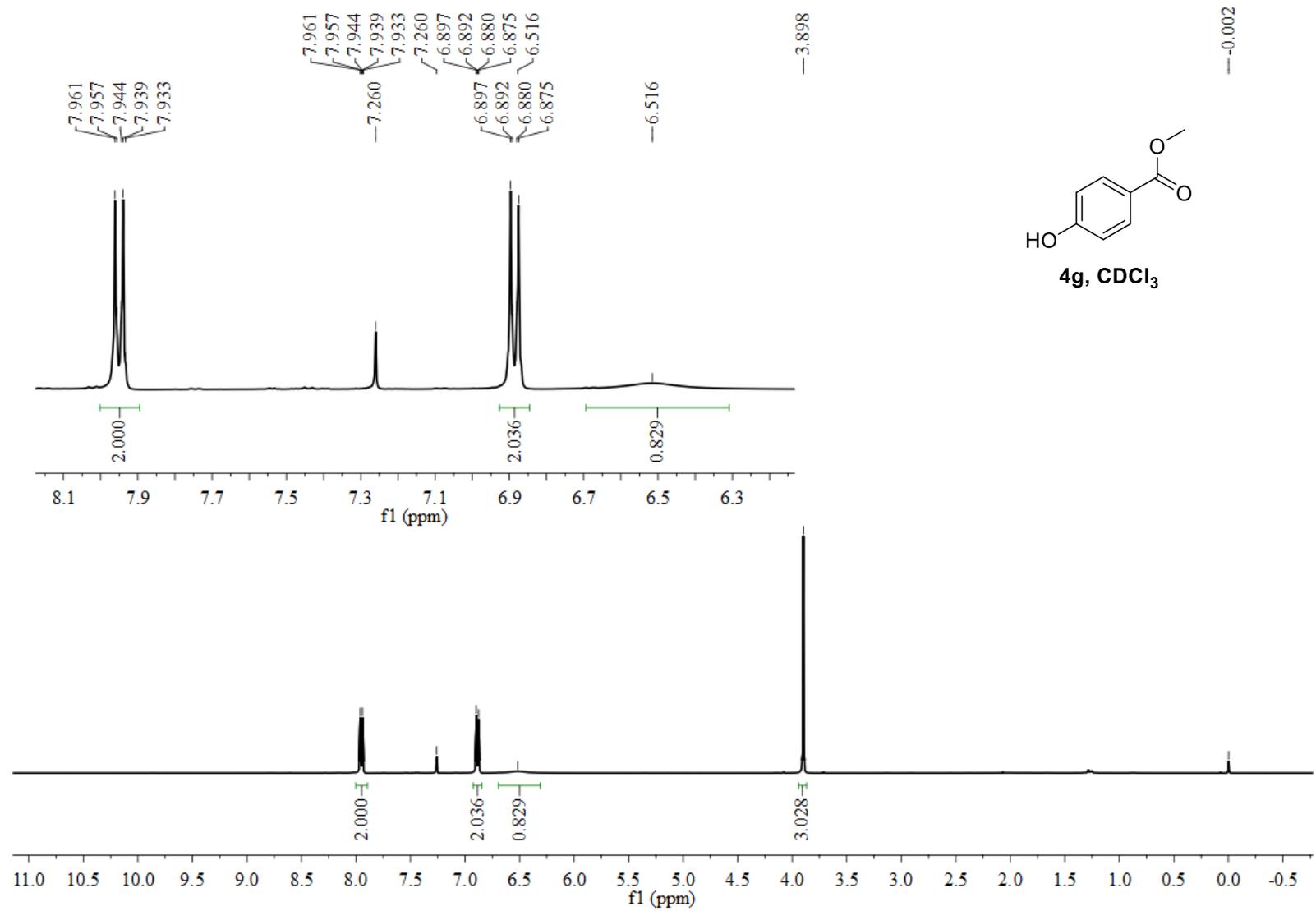


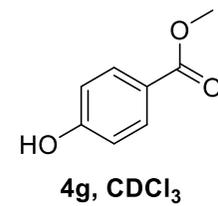
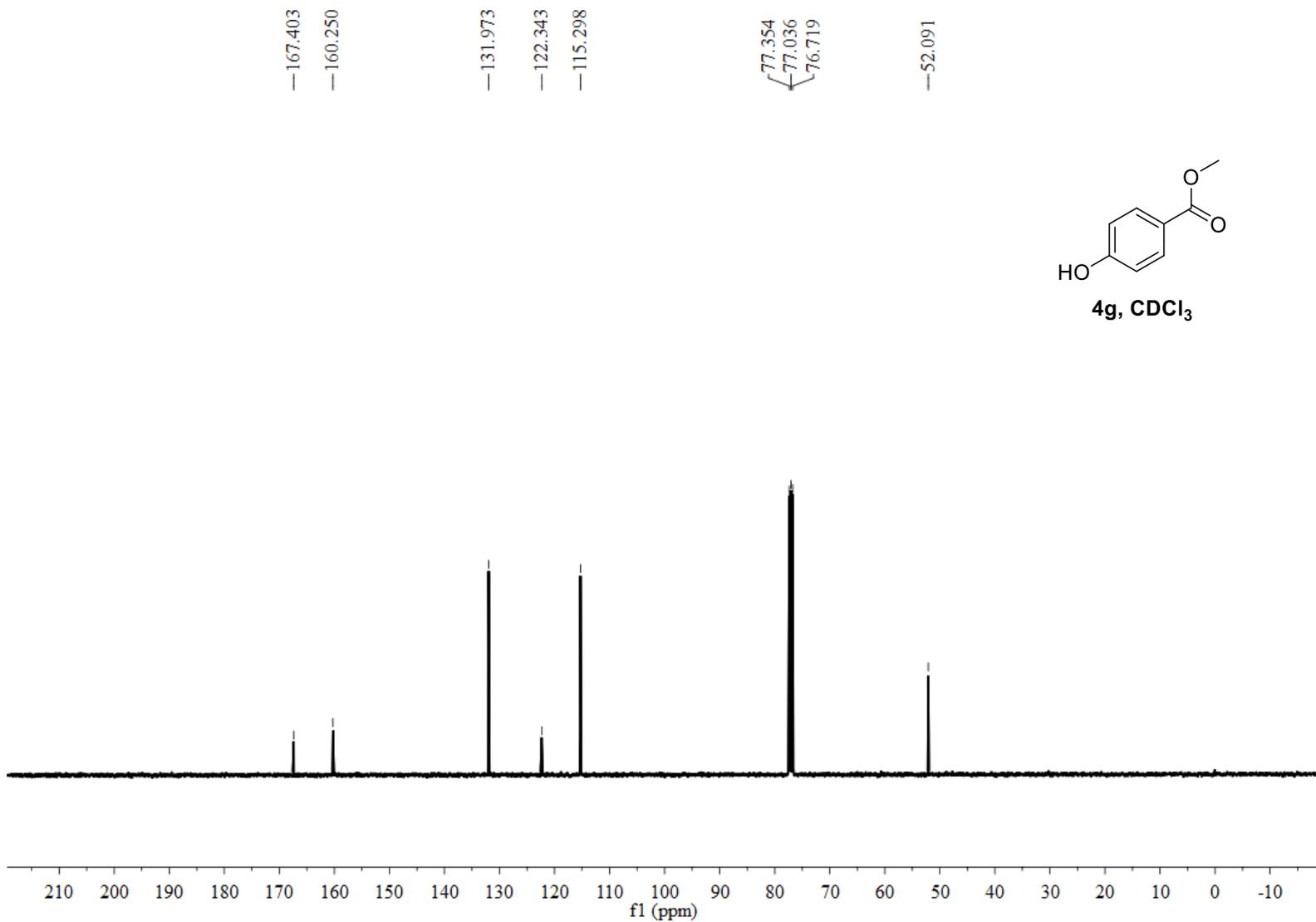


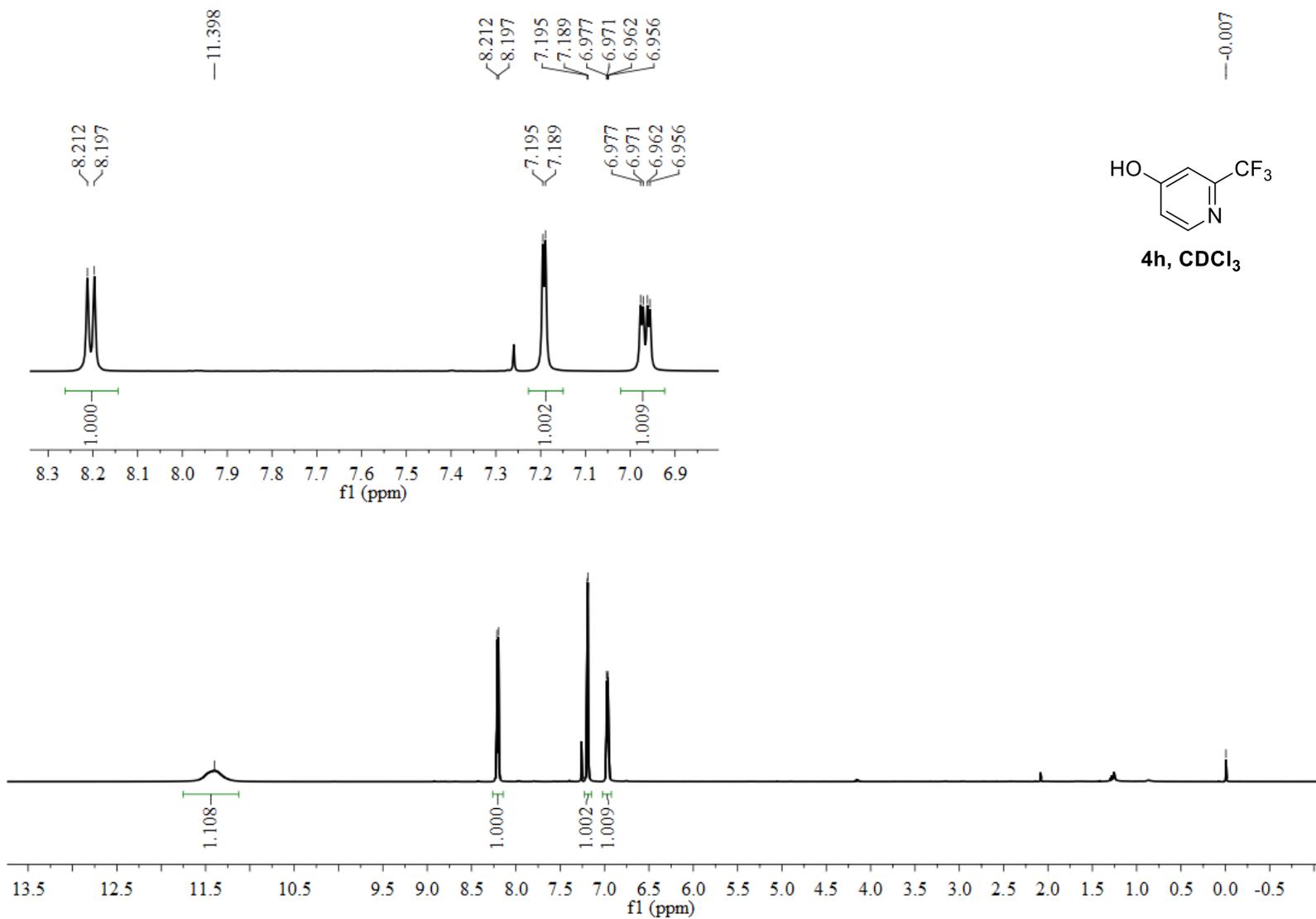


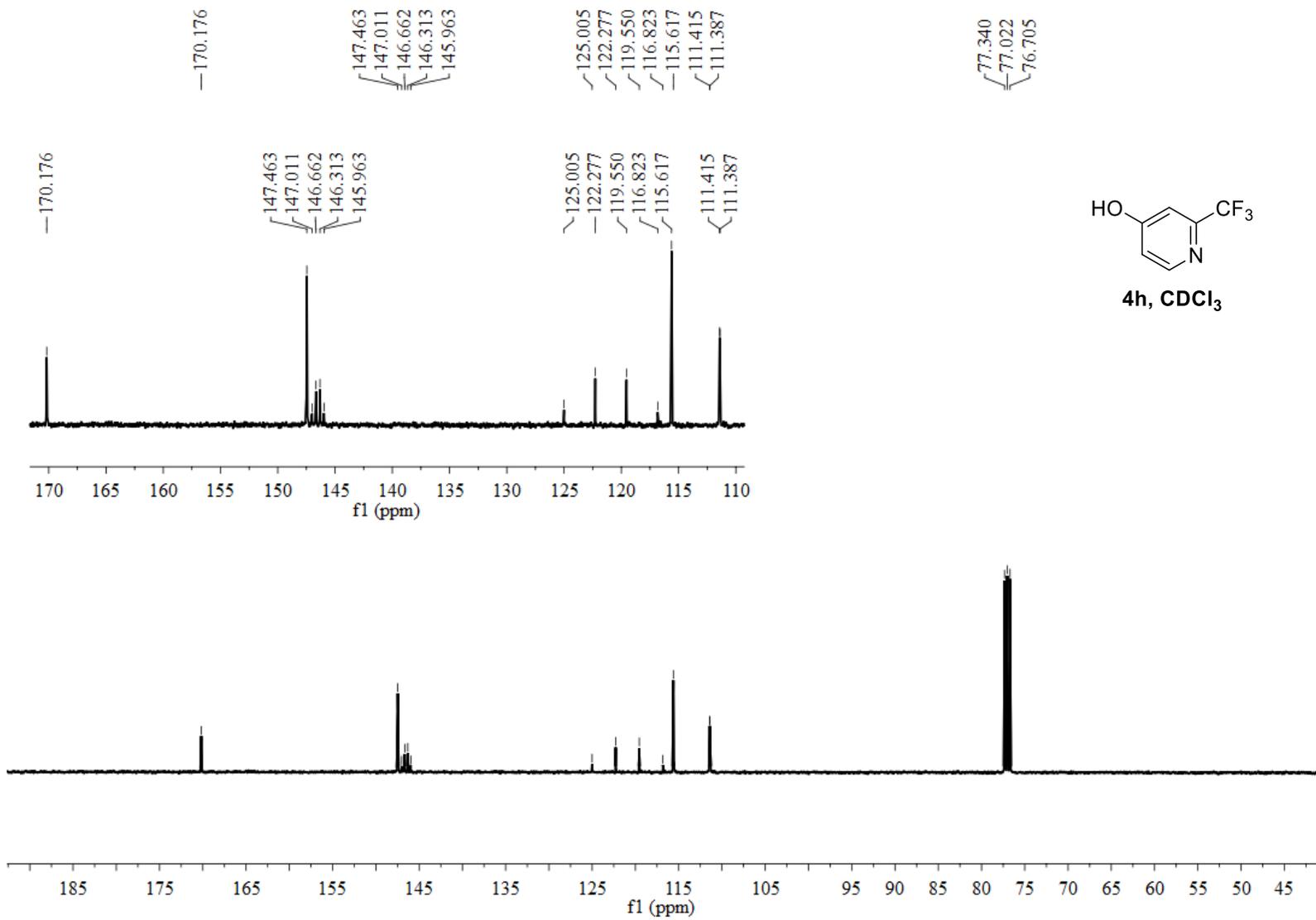


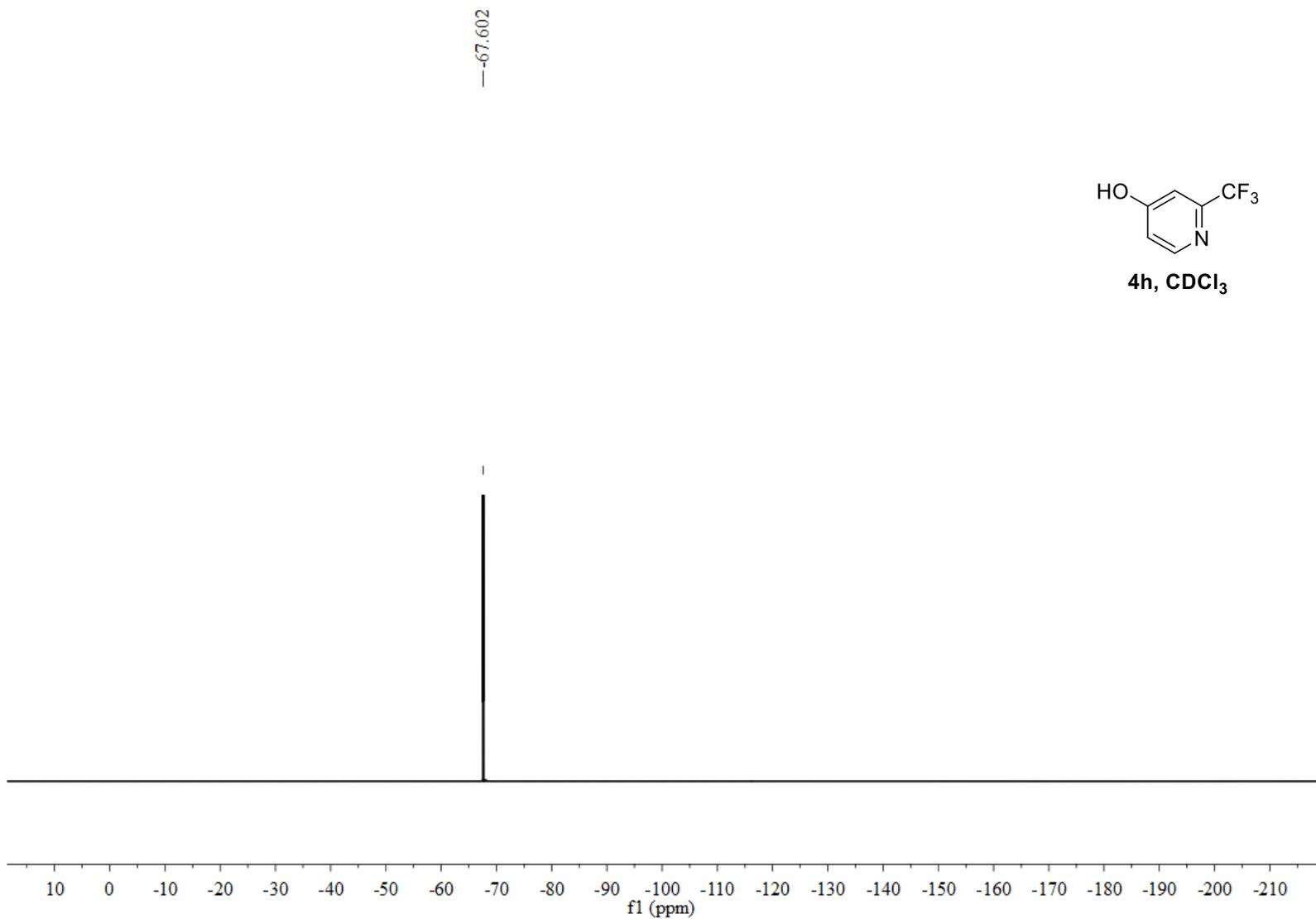


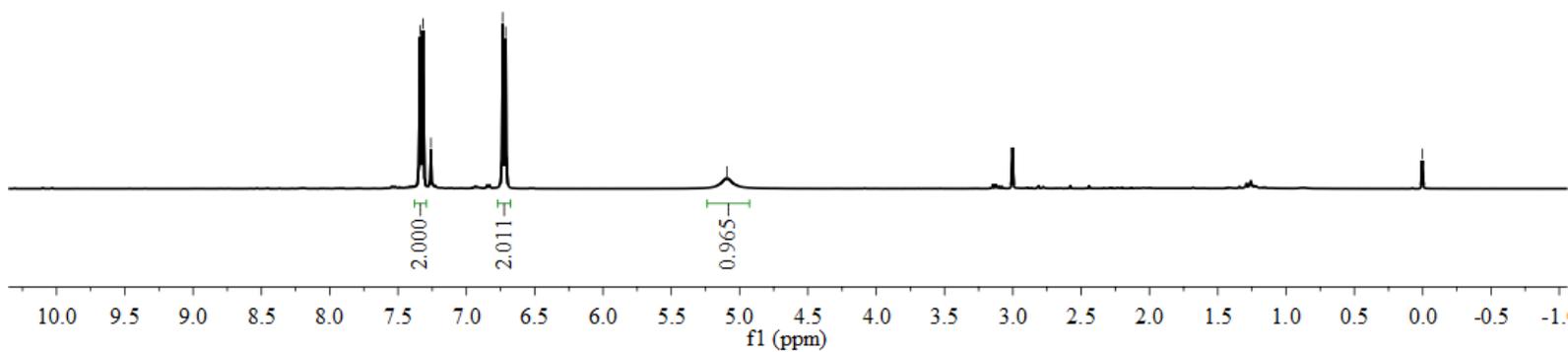
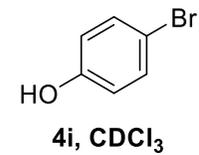
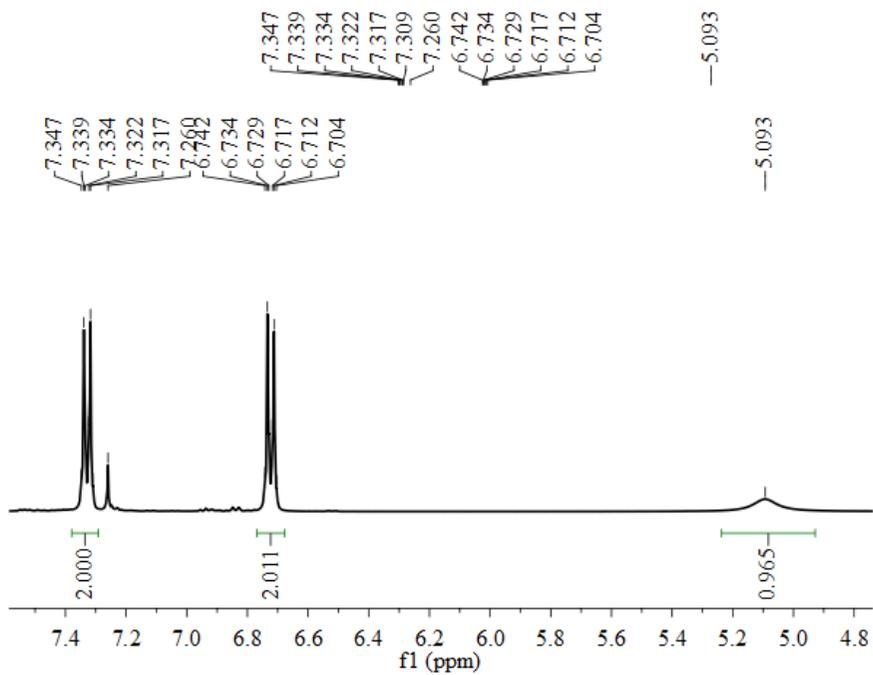


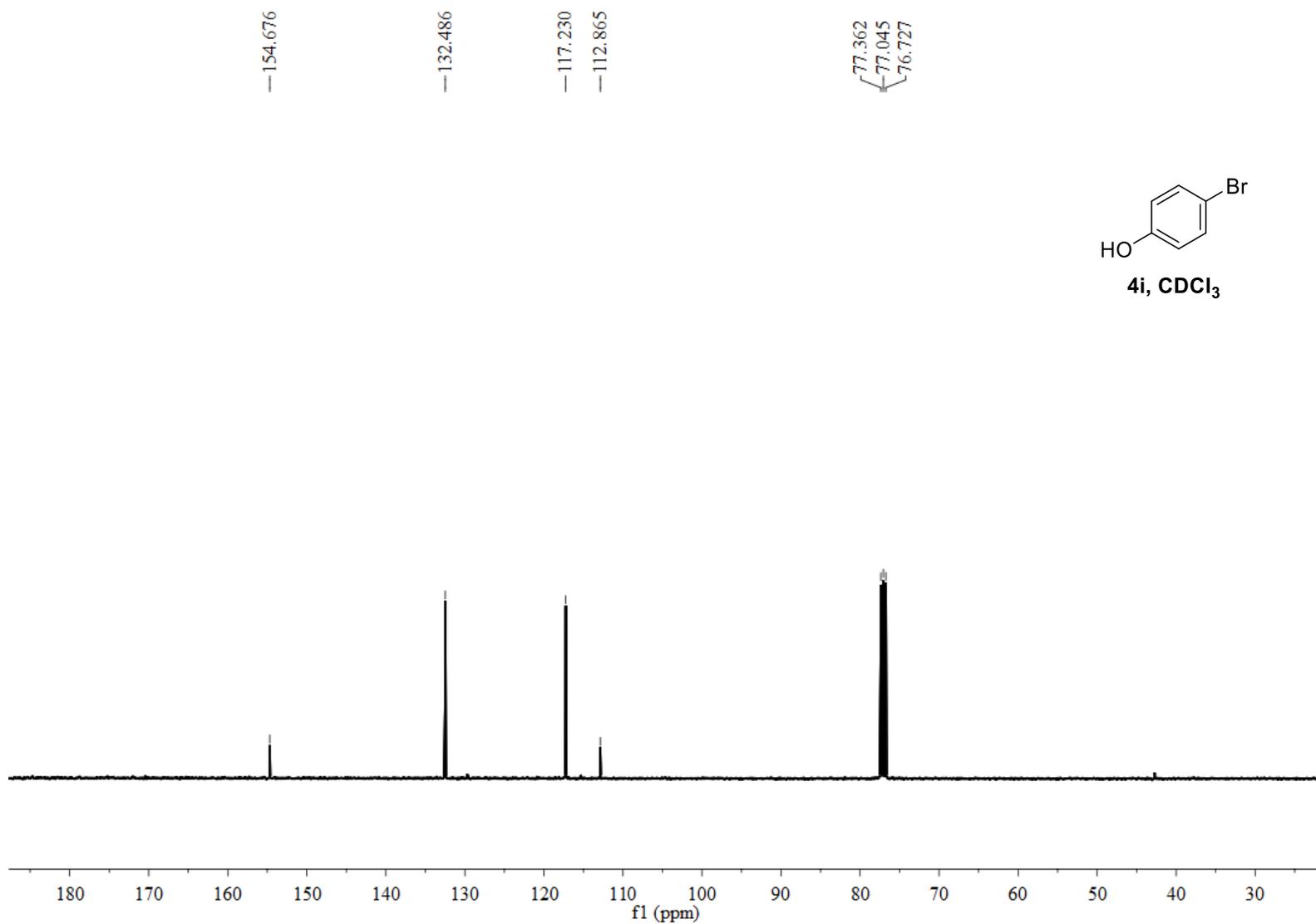


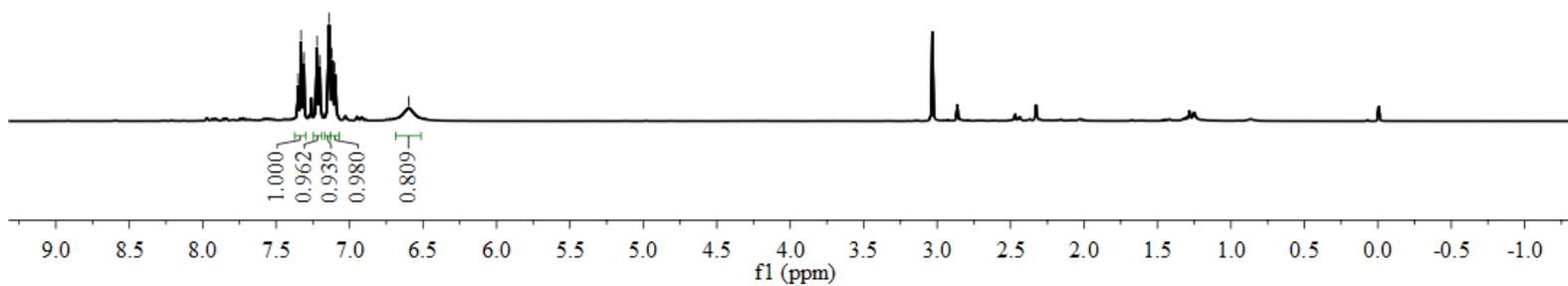
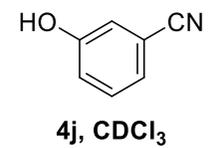
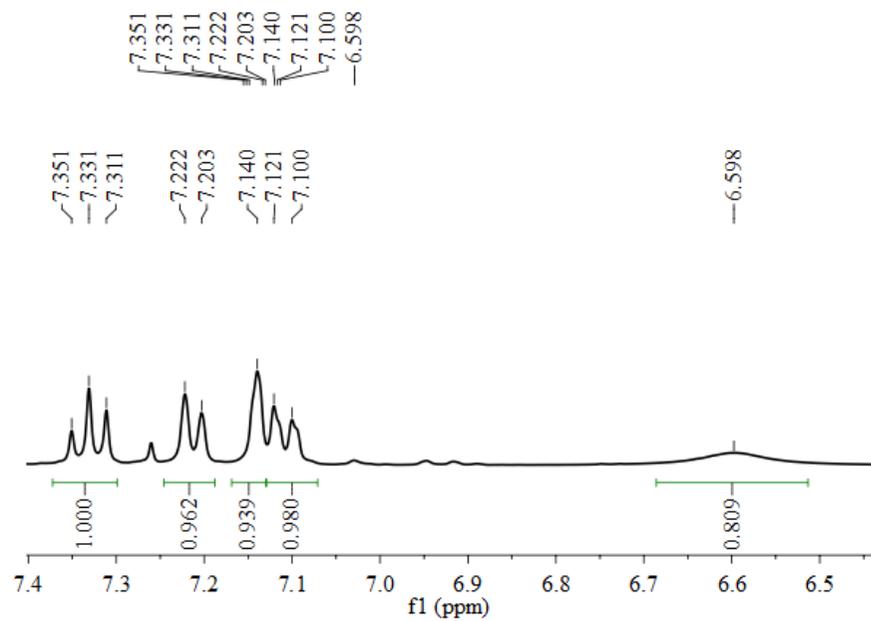


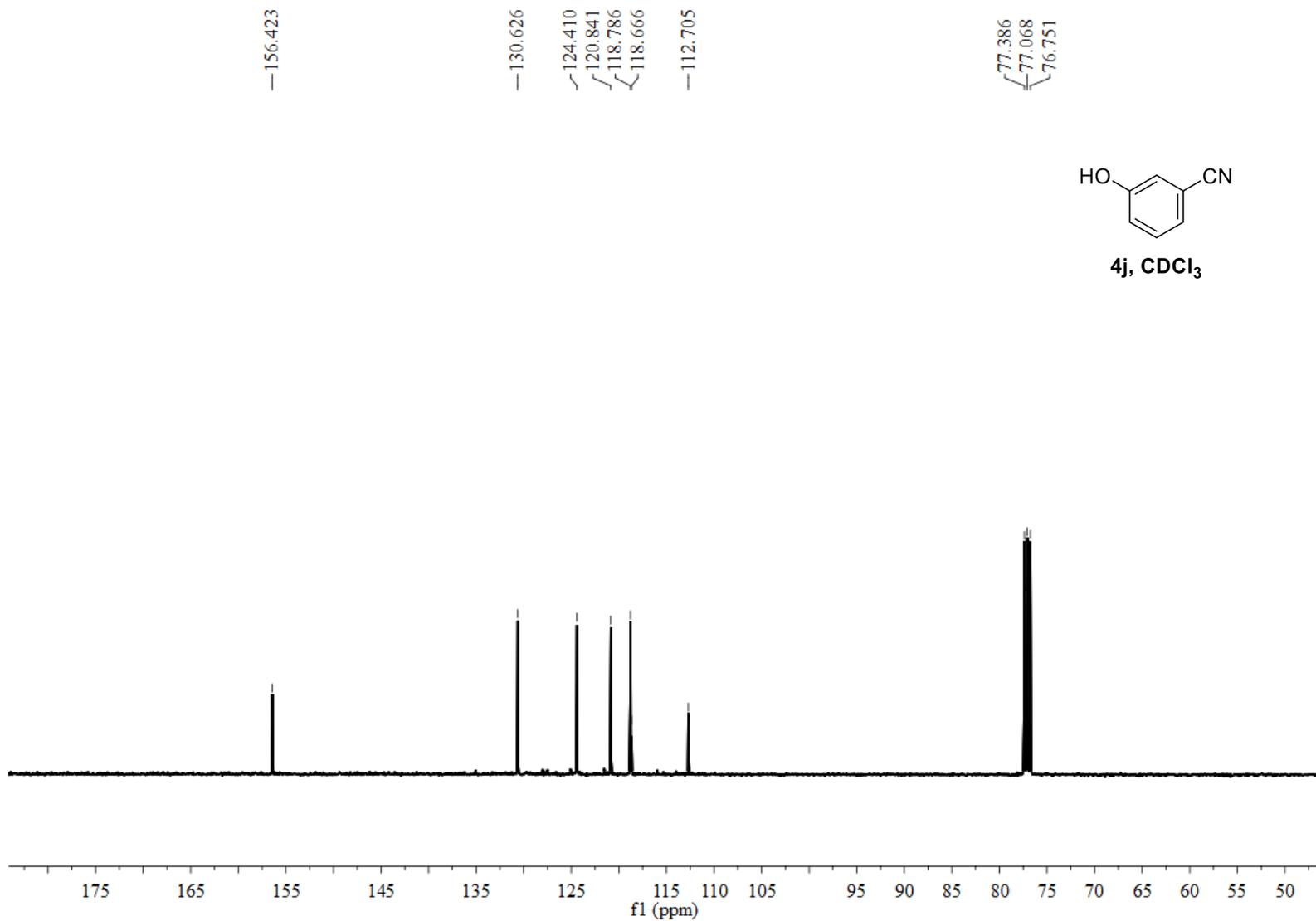


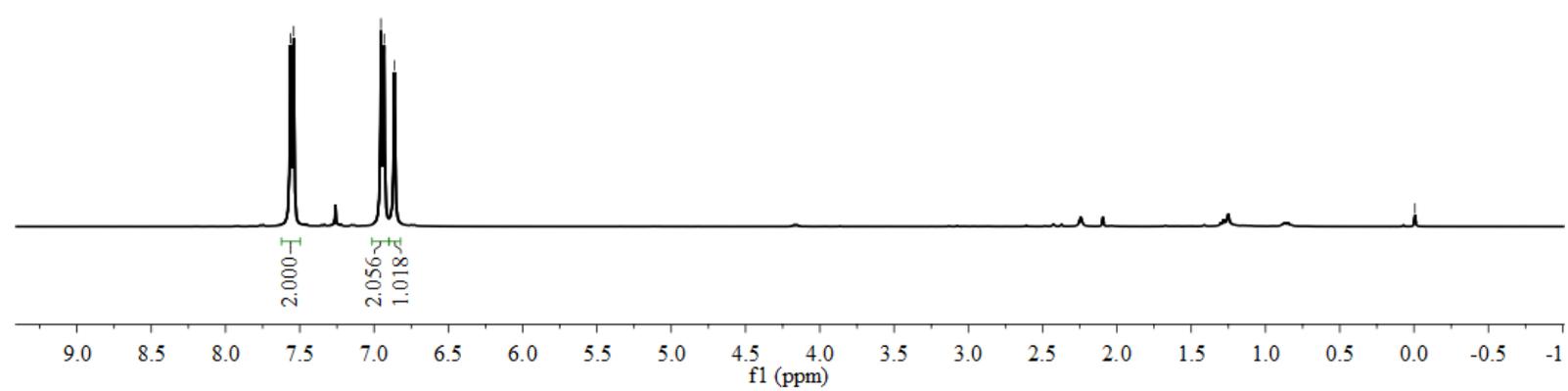
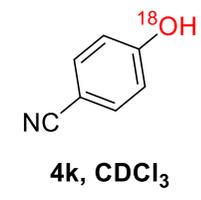
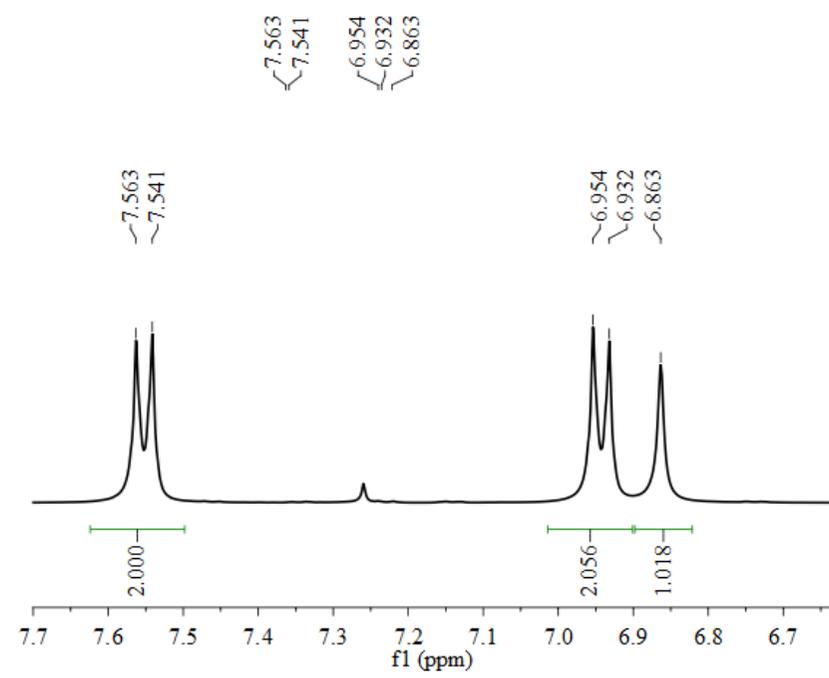


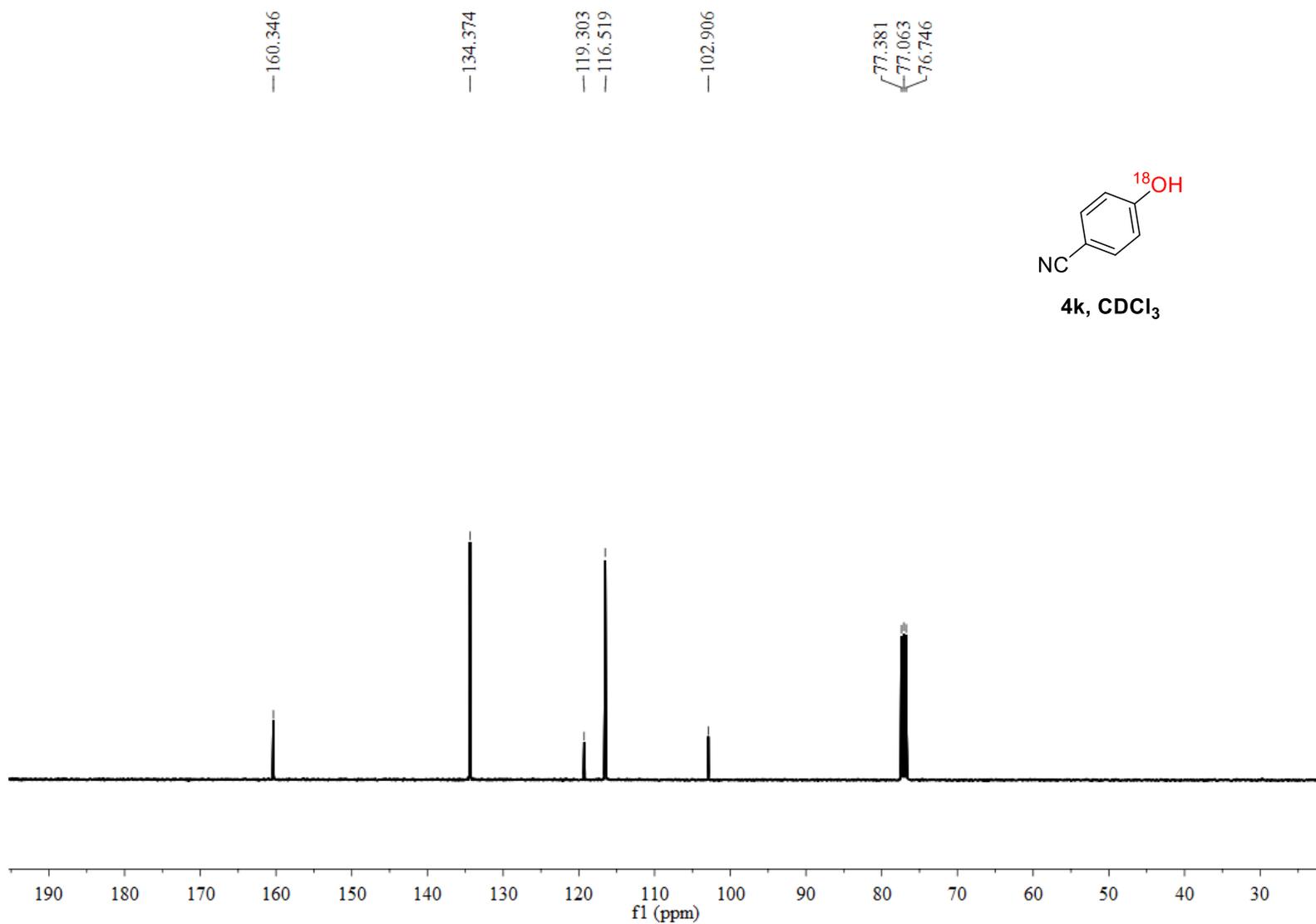


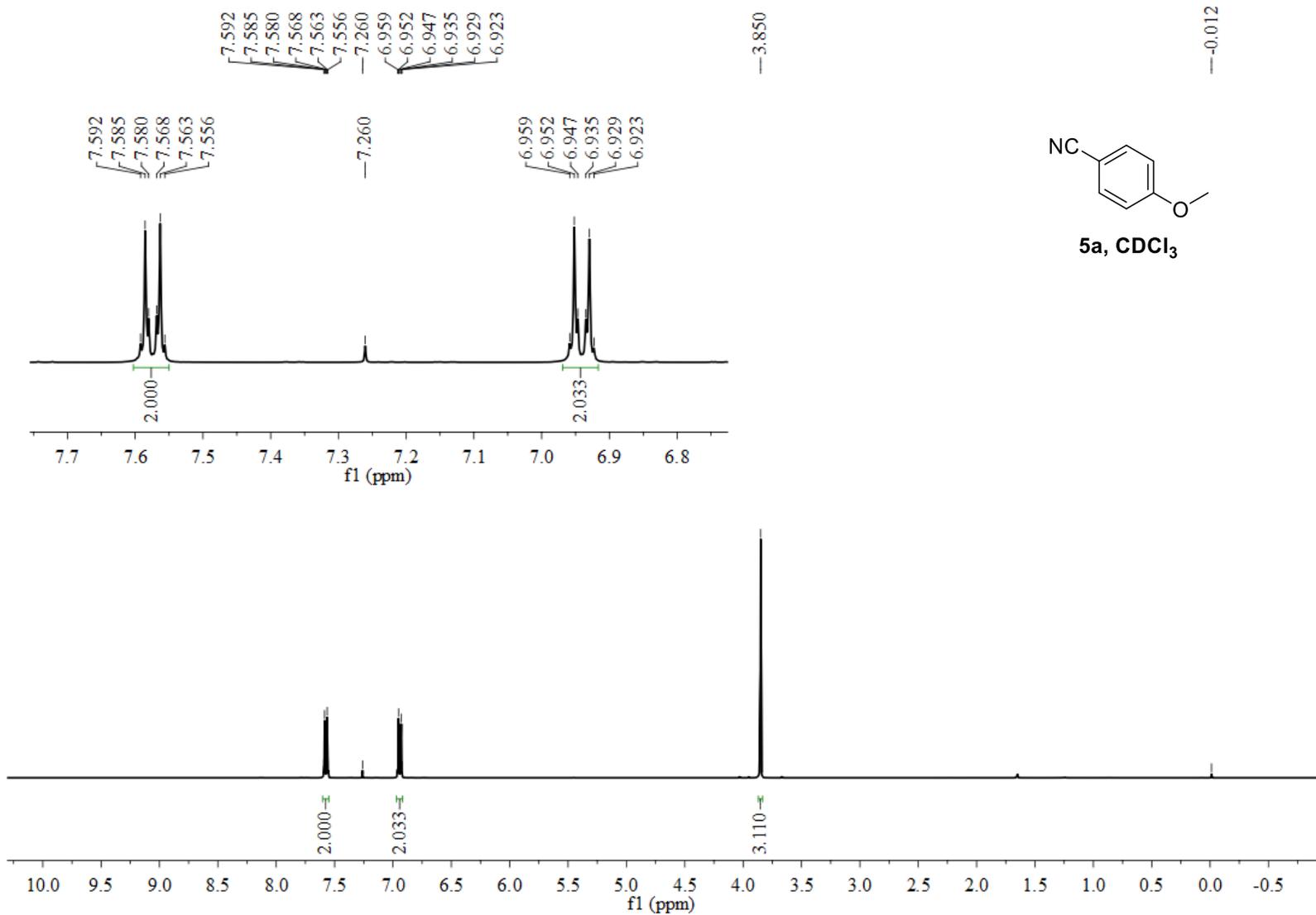


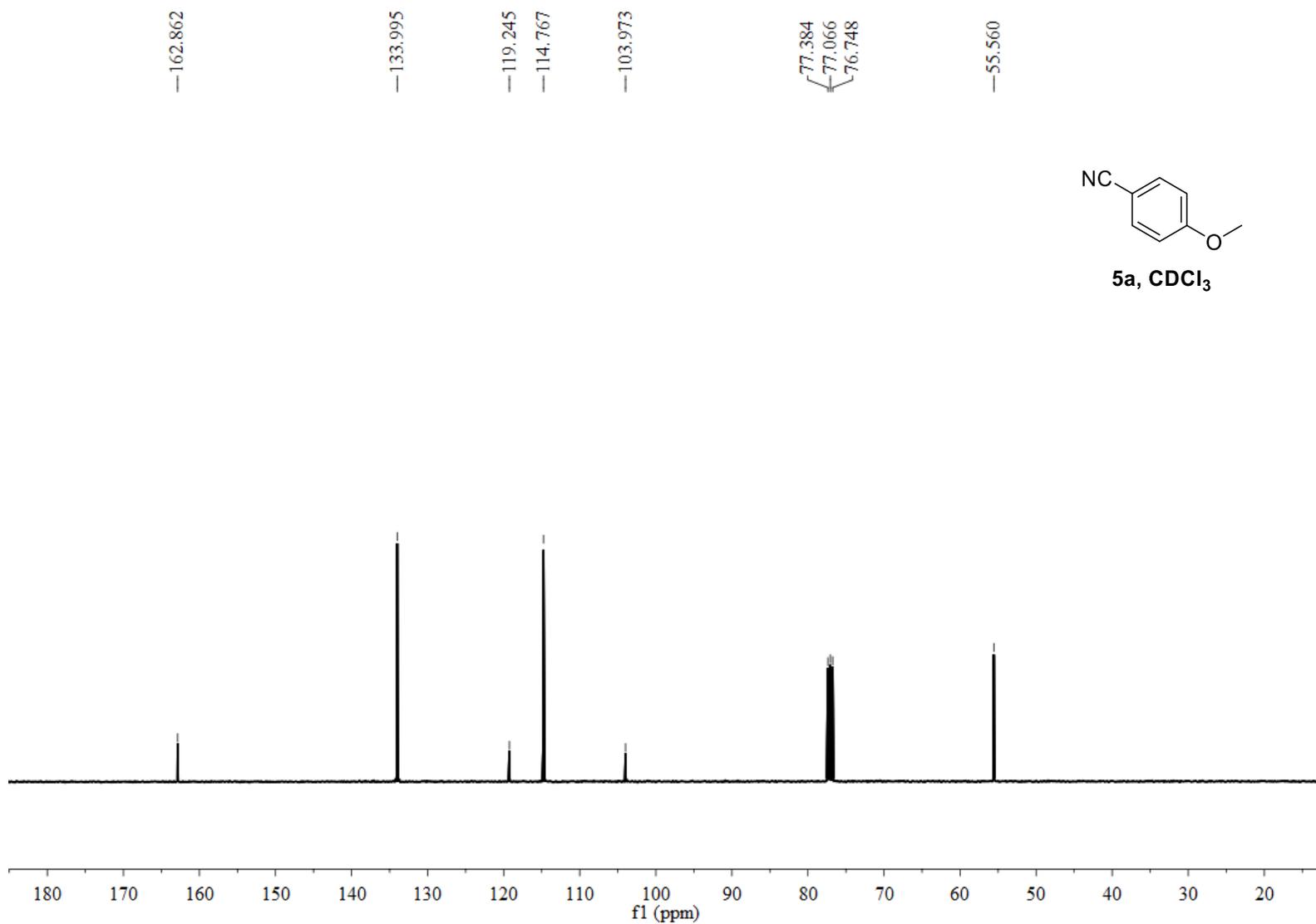


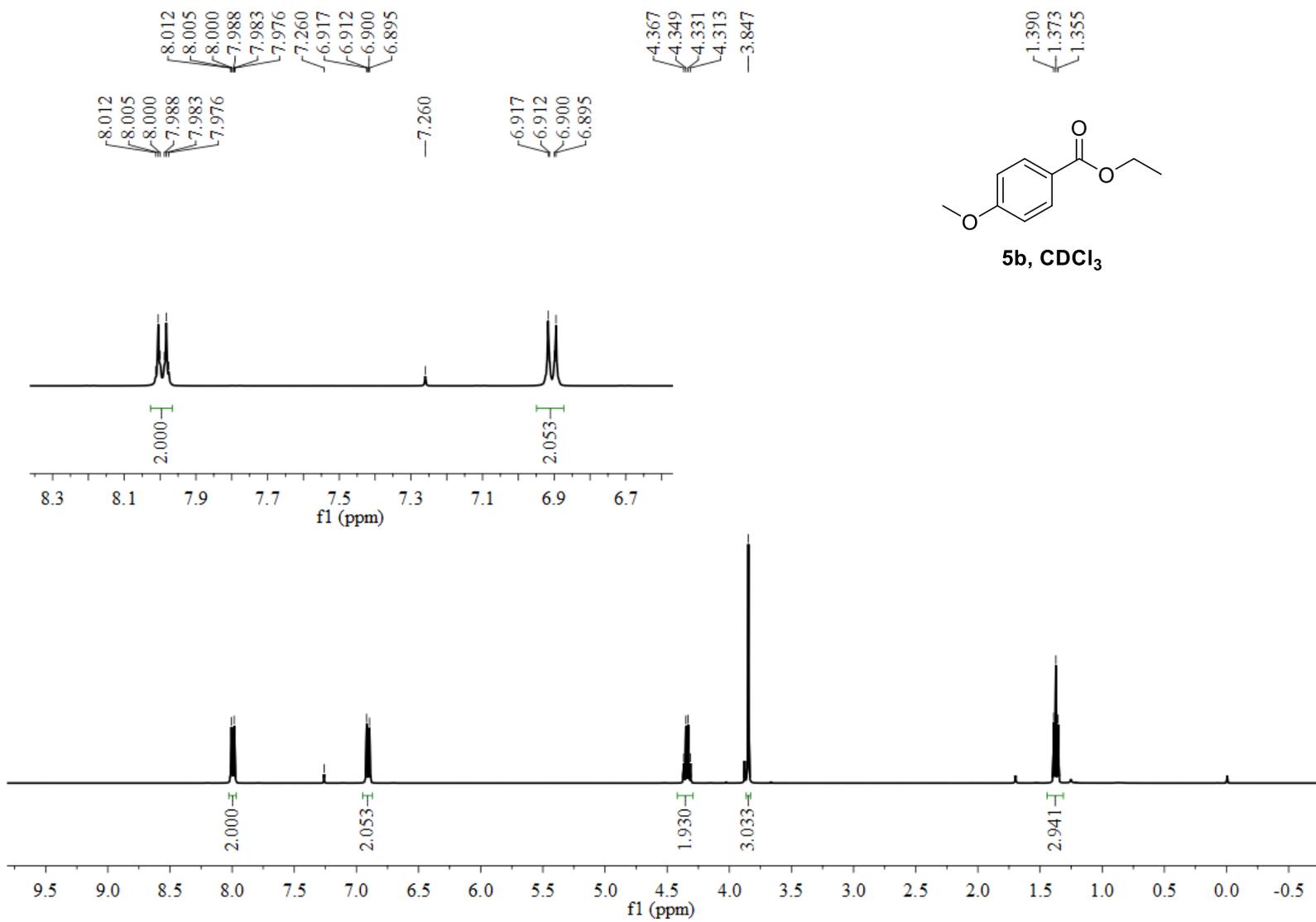


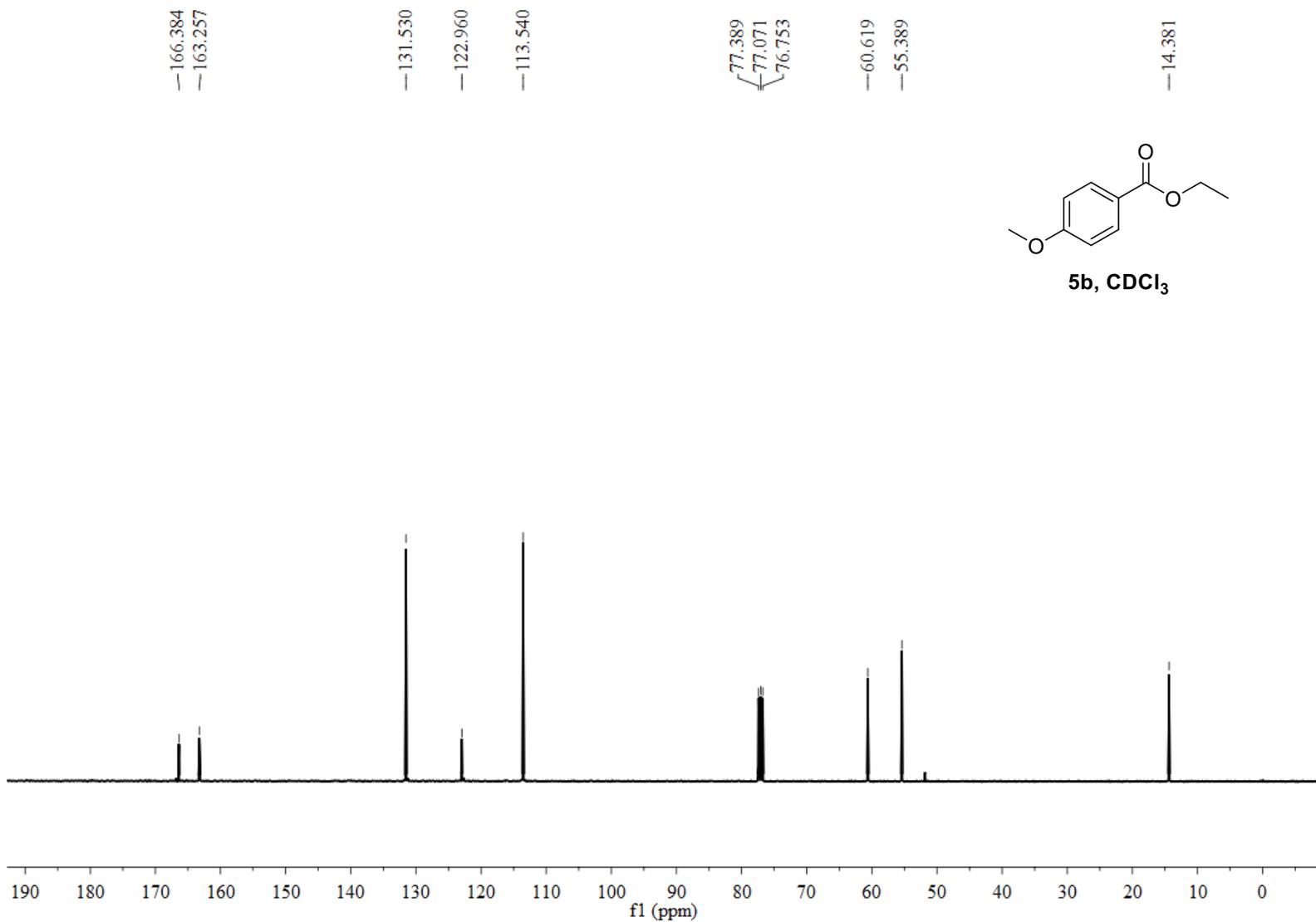


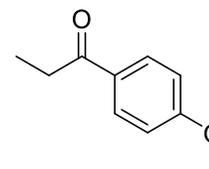
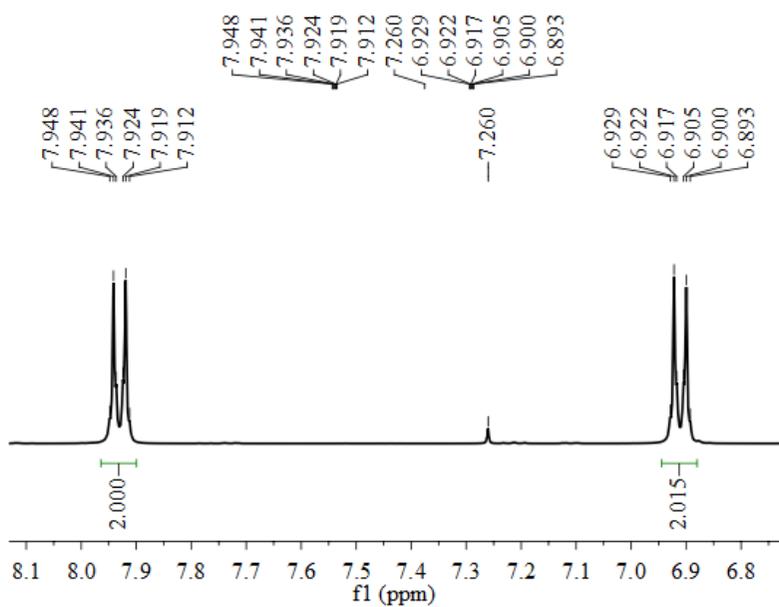












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