

Supporting Information

Quantitative catalytic hydroboration of imines using NaH as catalyst

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1. Copies of NMR spectra.

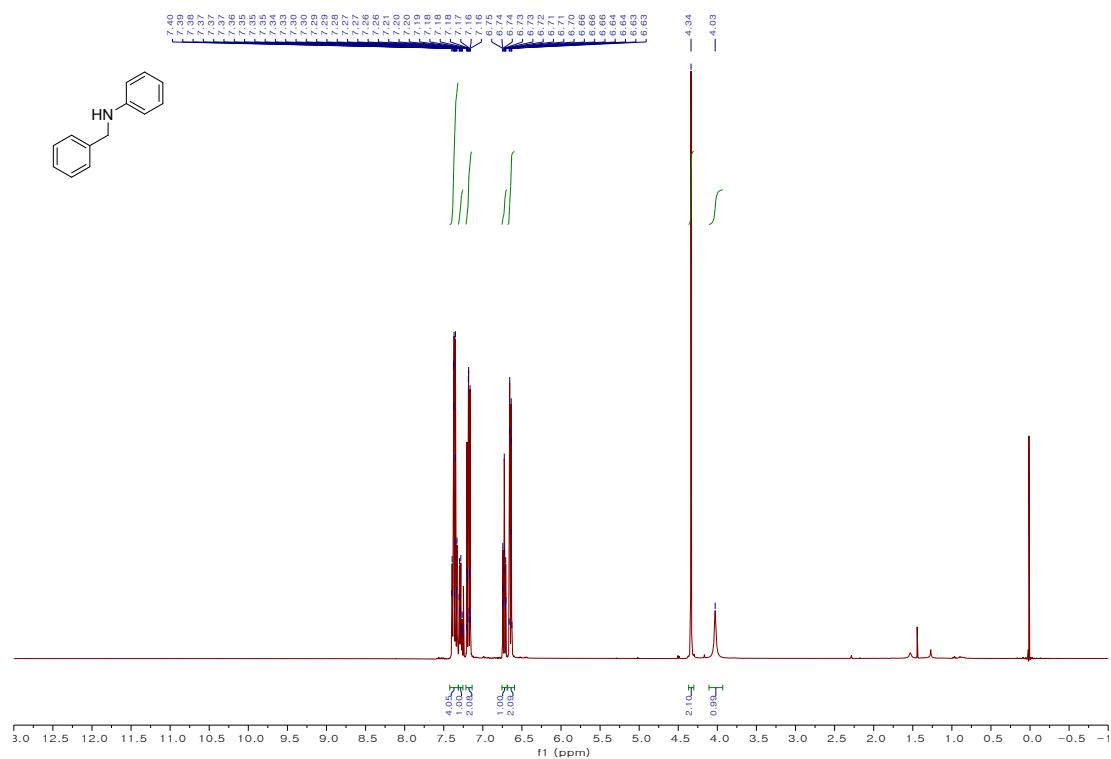


Figure S1: ¹H NMR of *N*-Benzylaniline (2a)

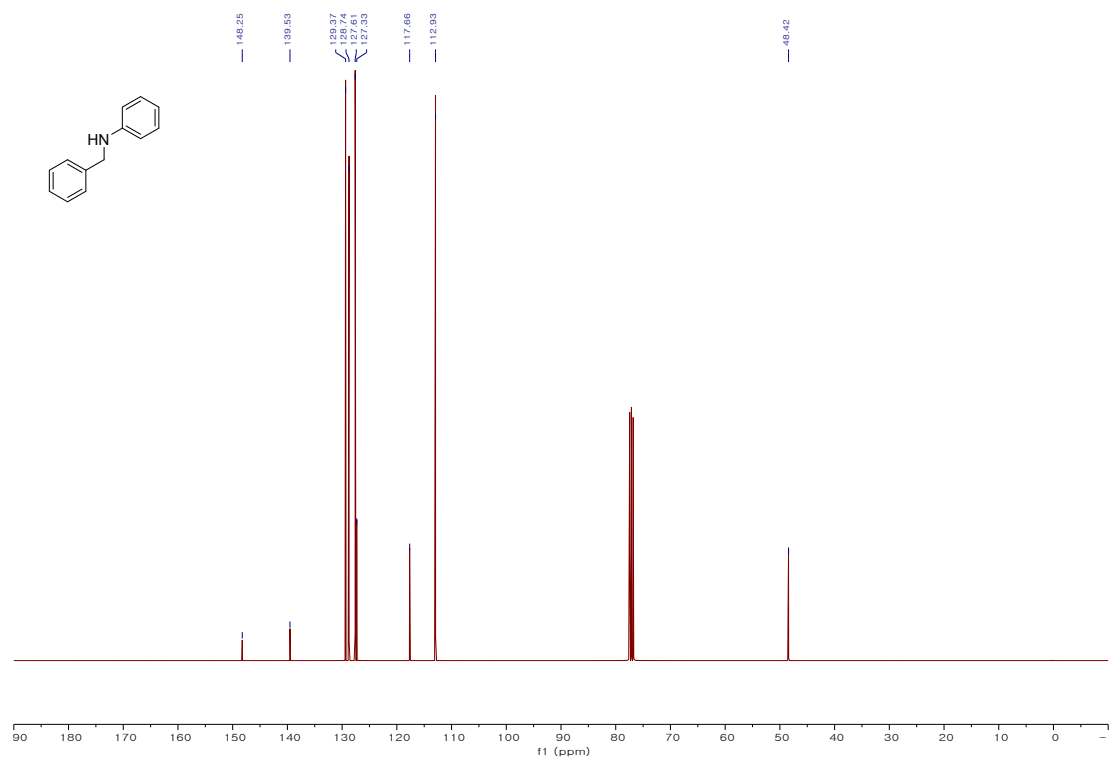


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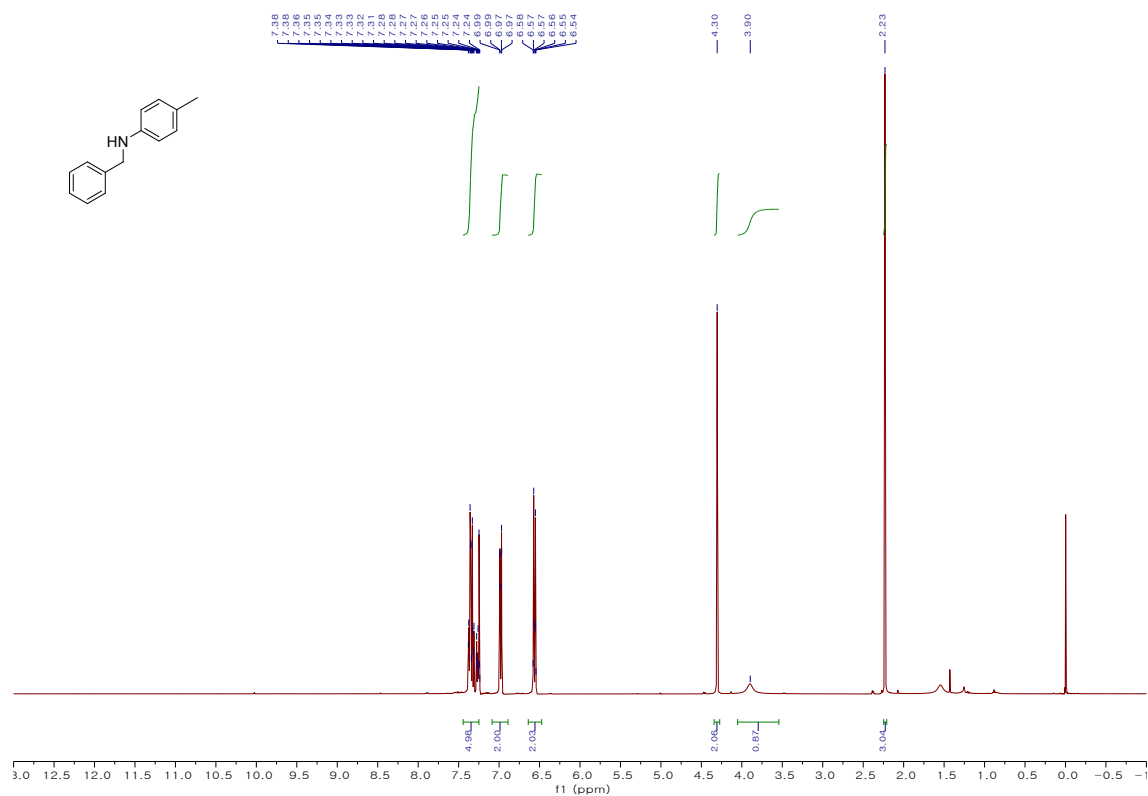


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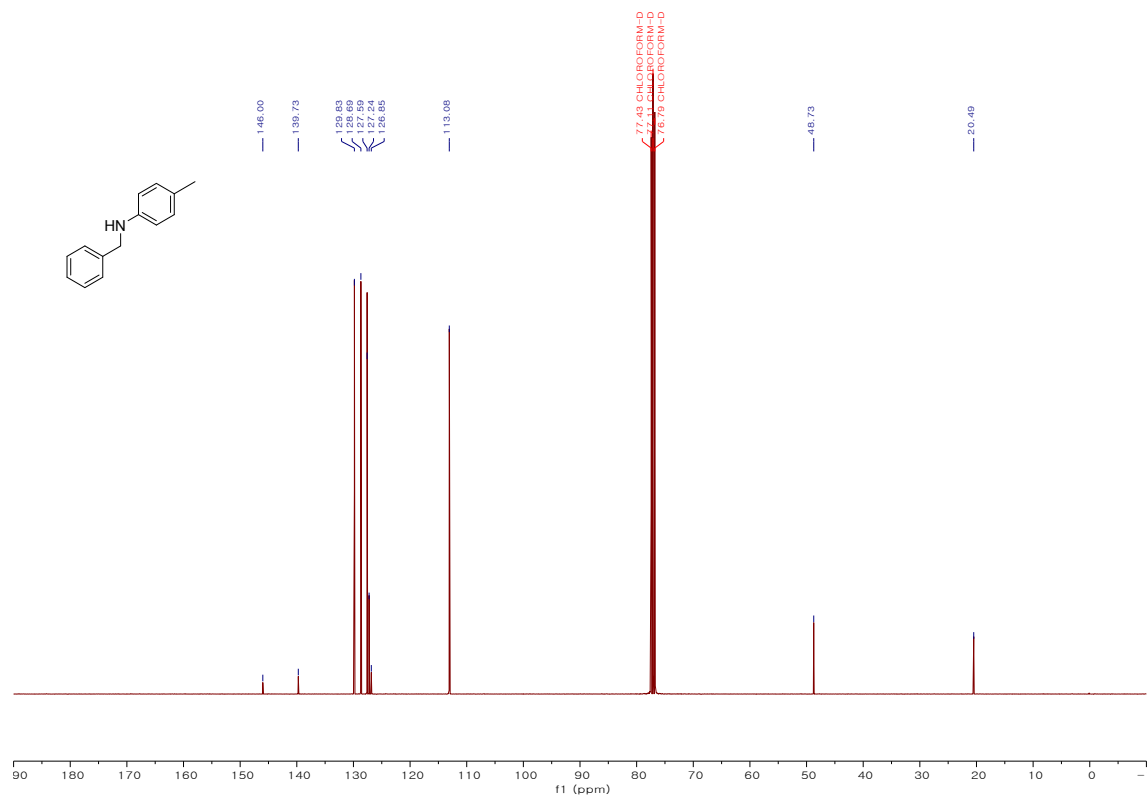


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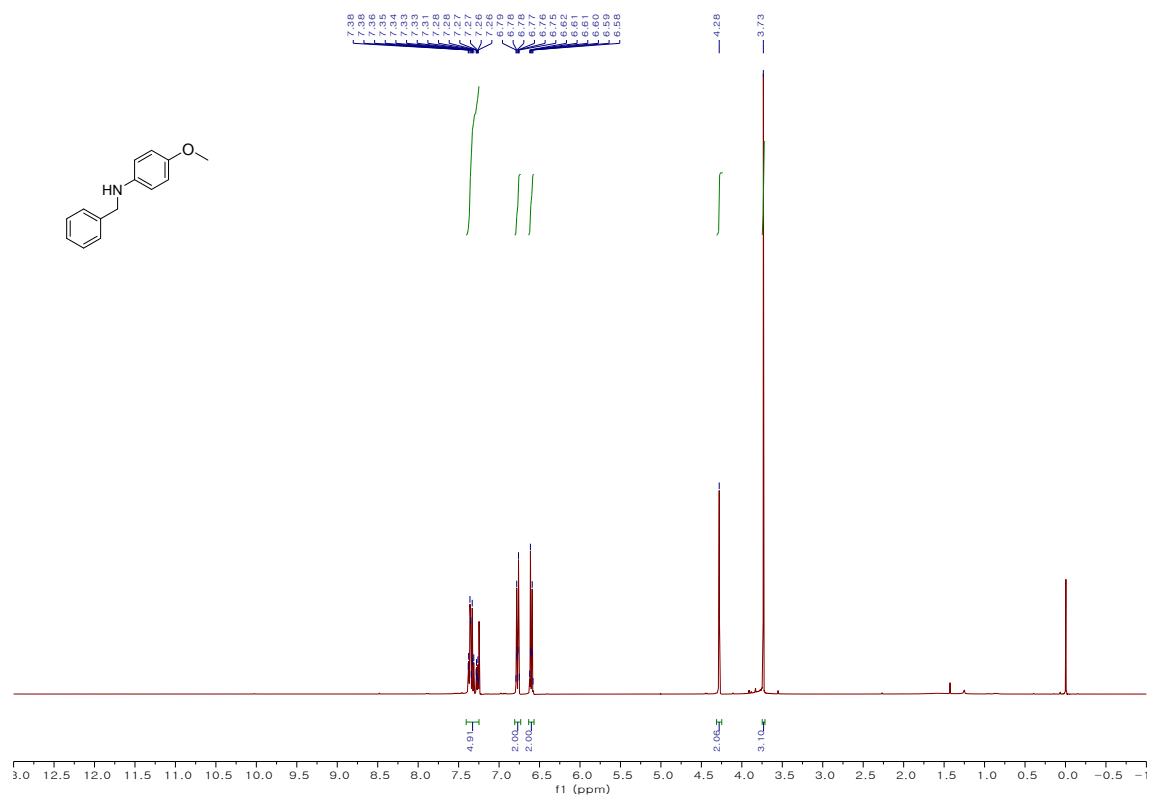


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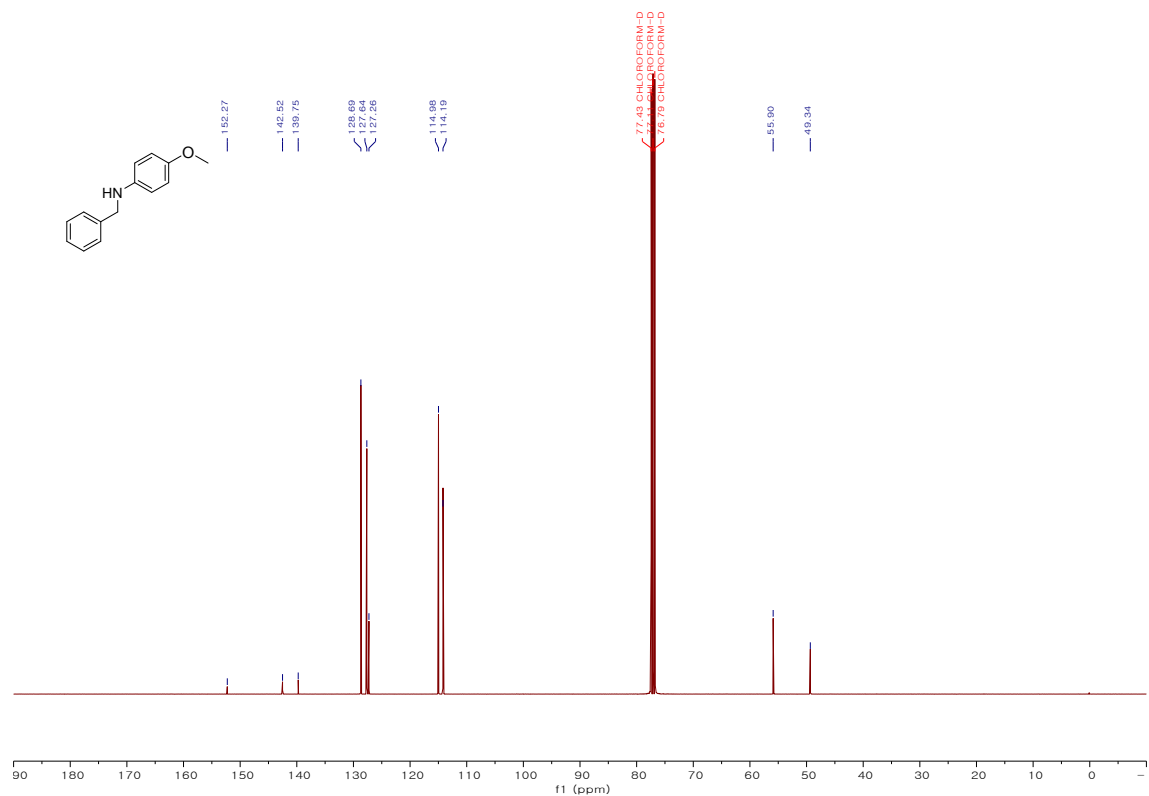


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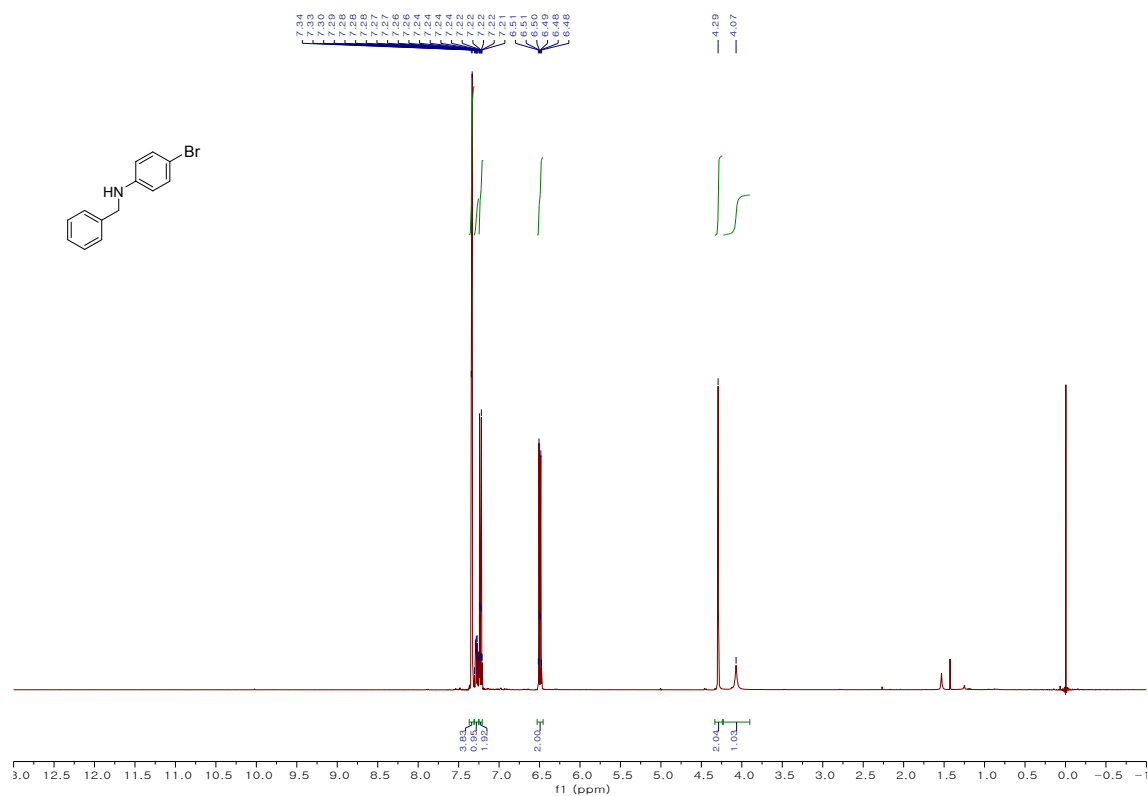


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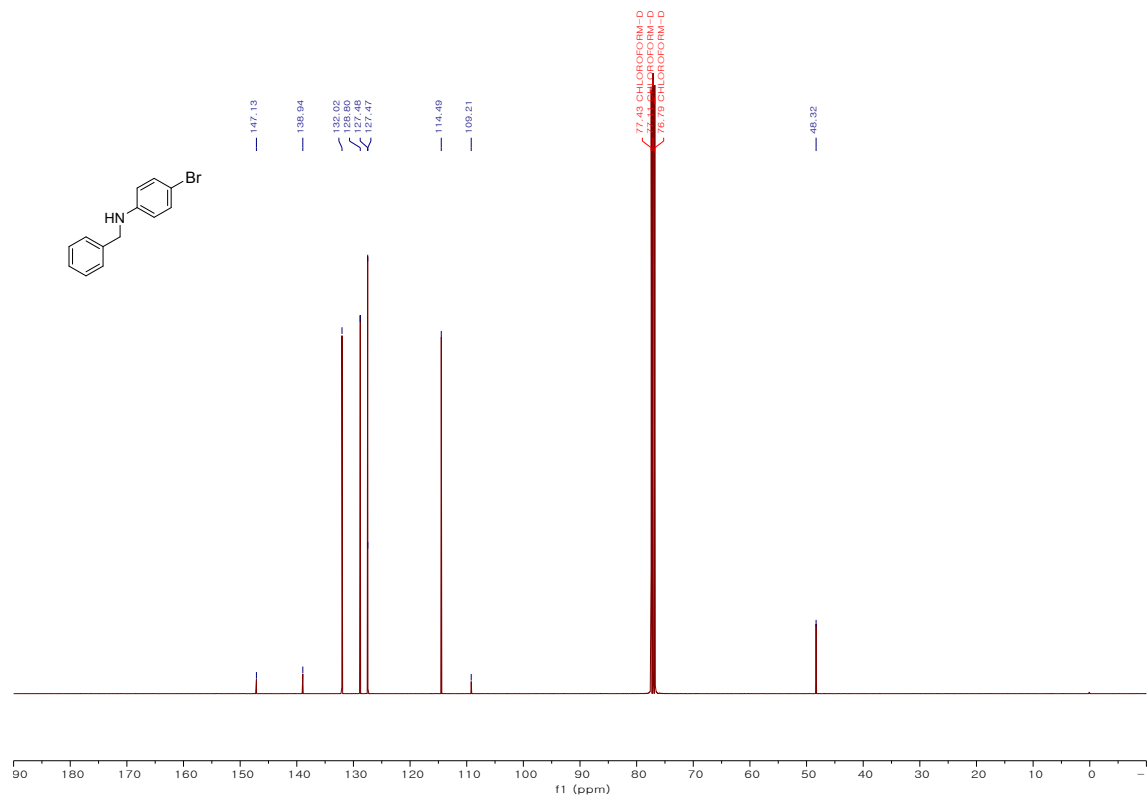


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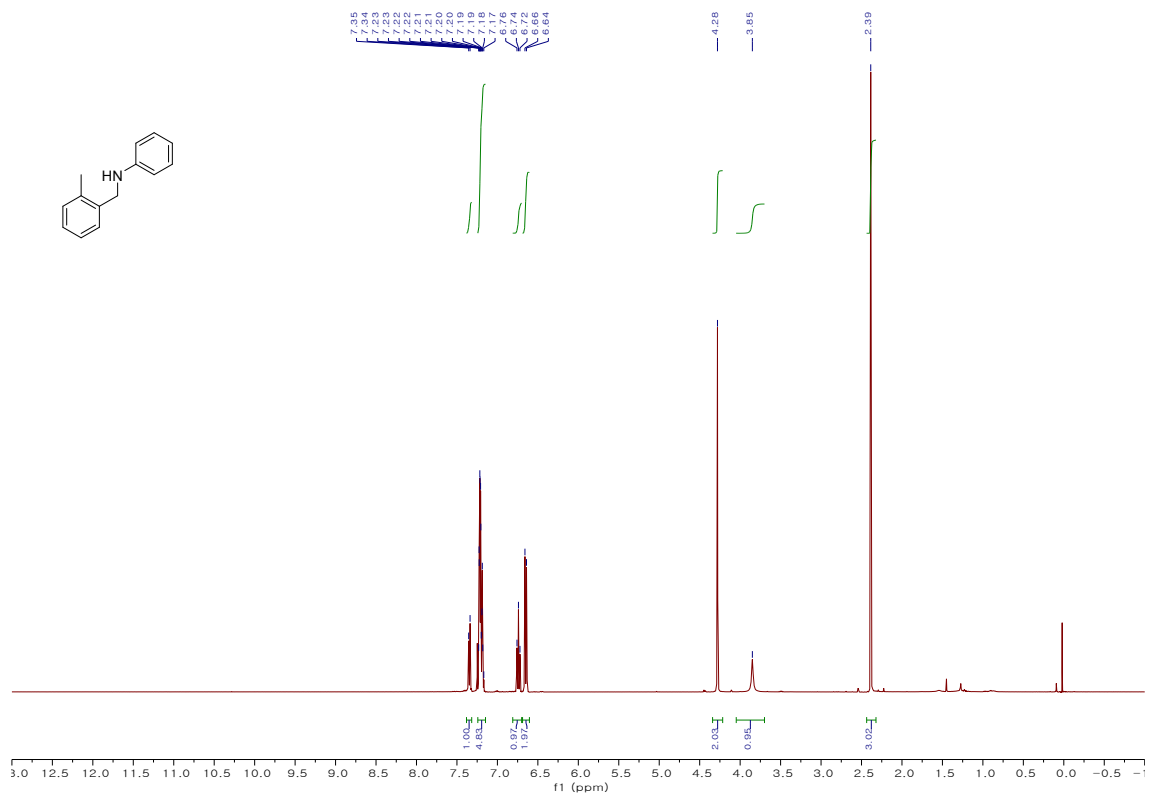


Figure S9: ¹H NMR of *N*-(2-methylbenzyl)aniline (**2e**)

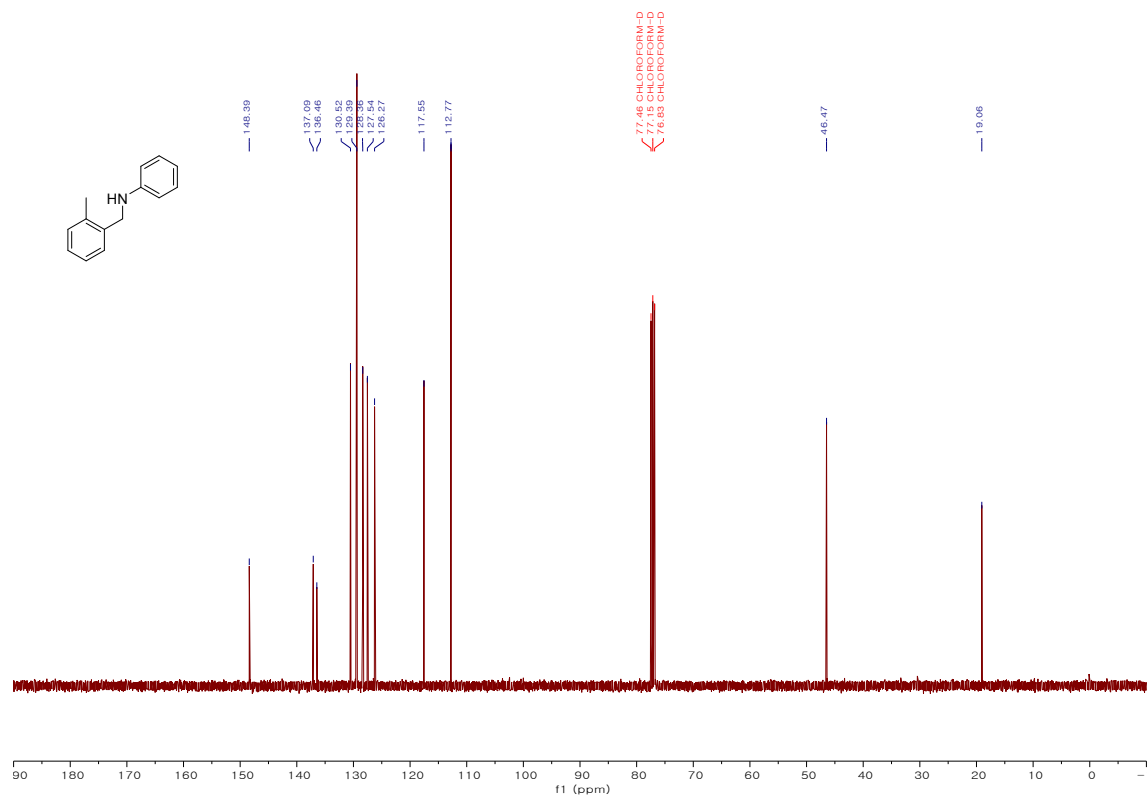


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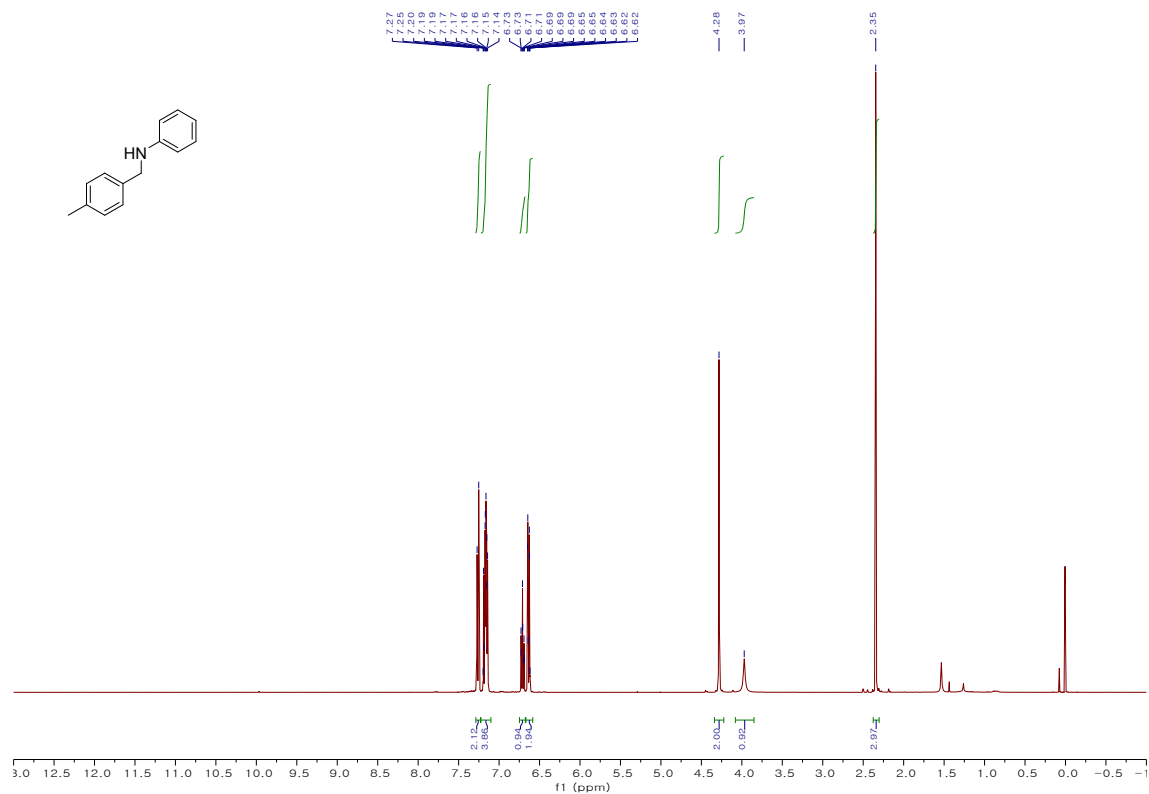


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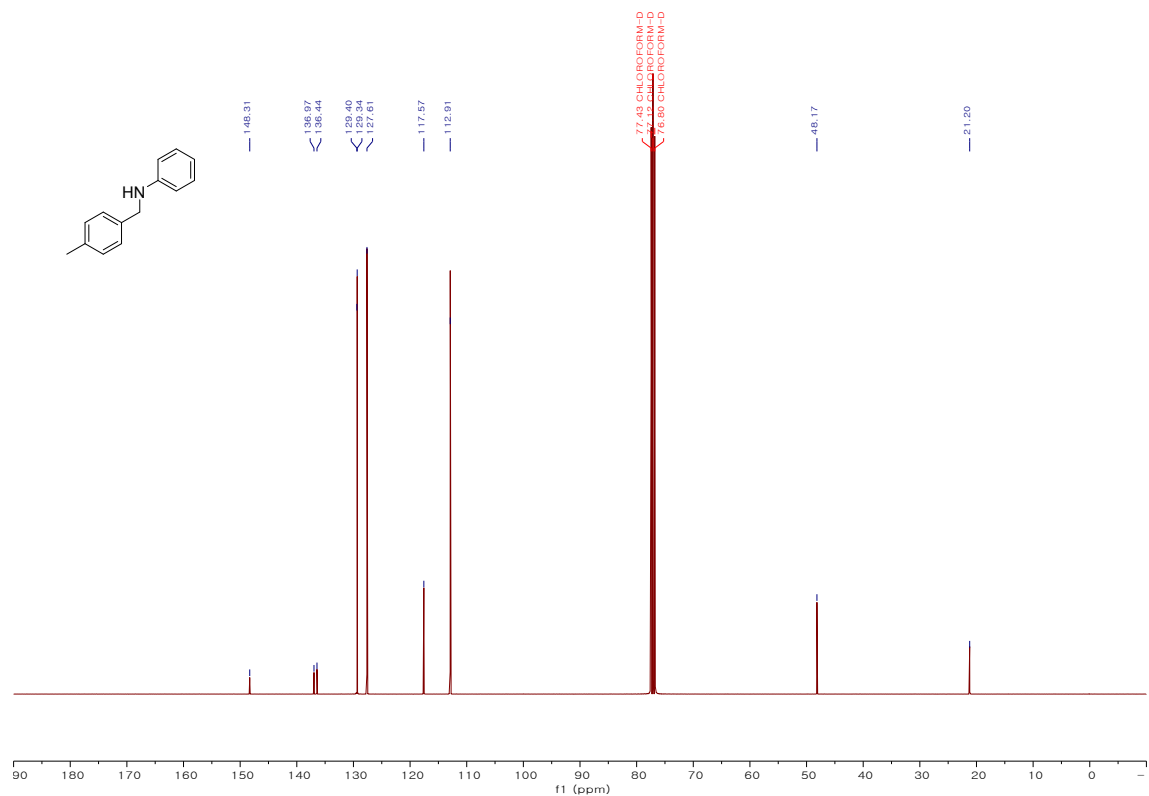


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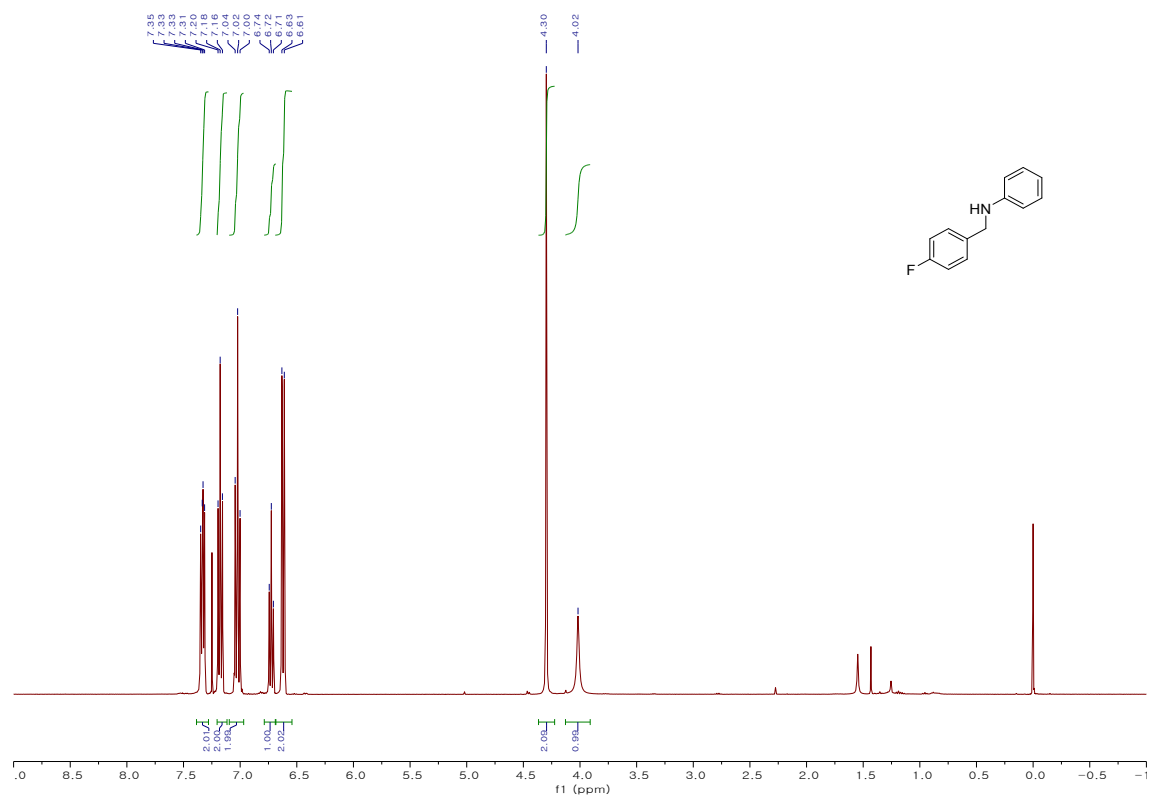


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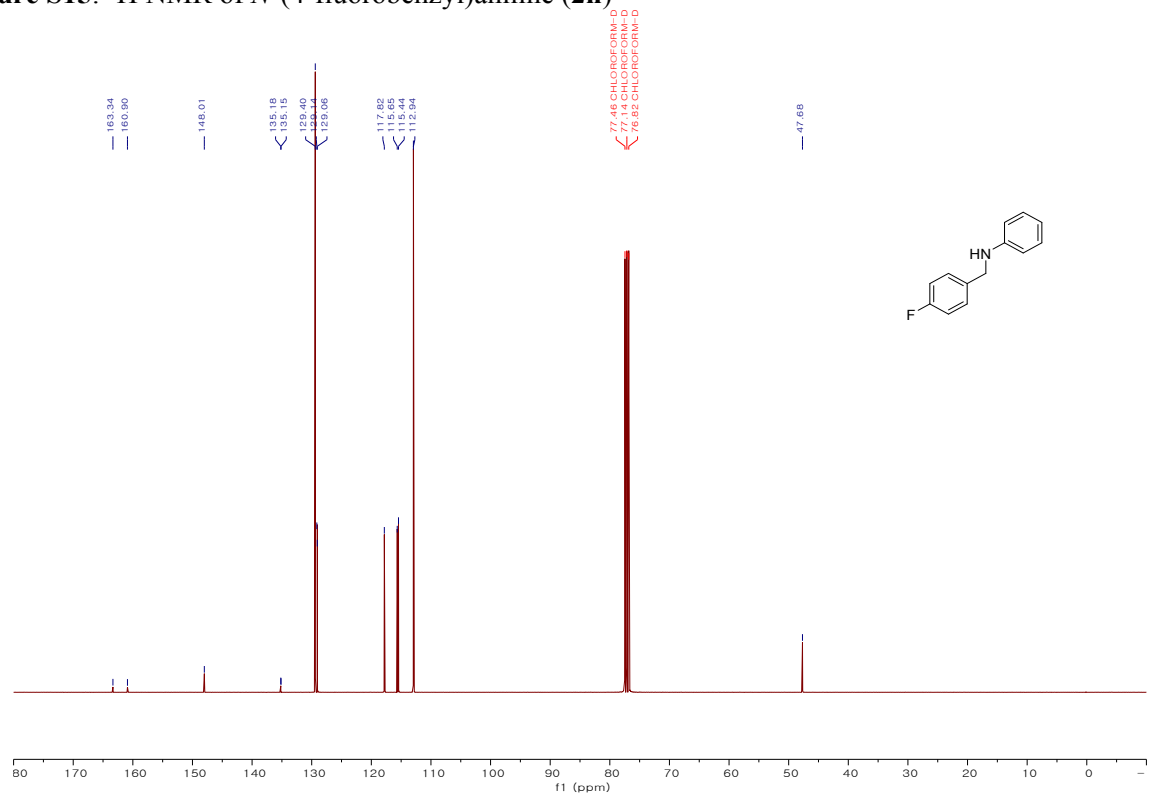


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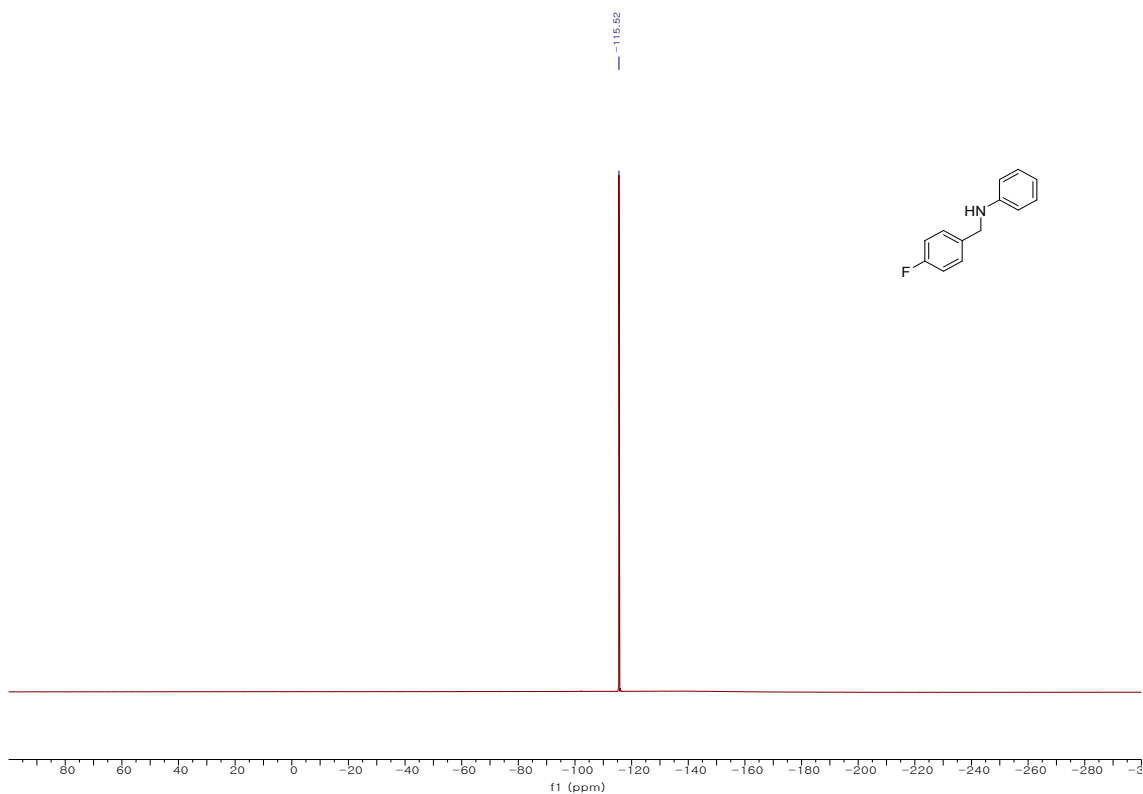


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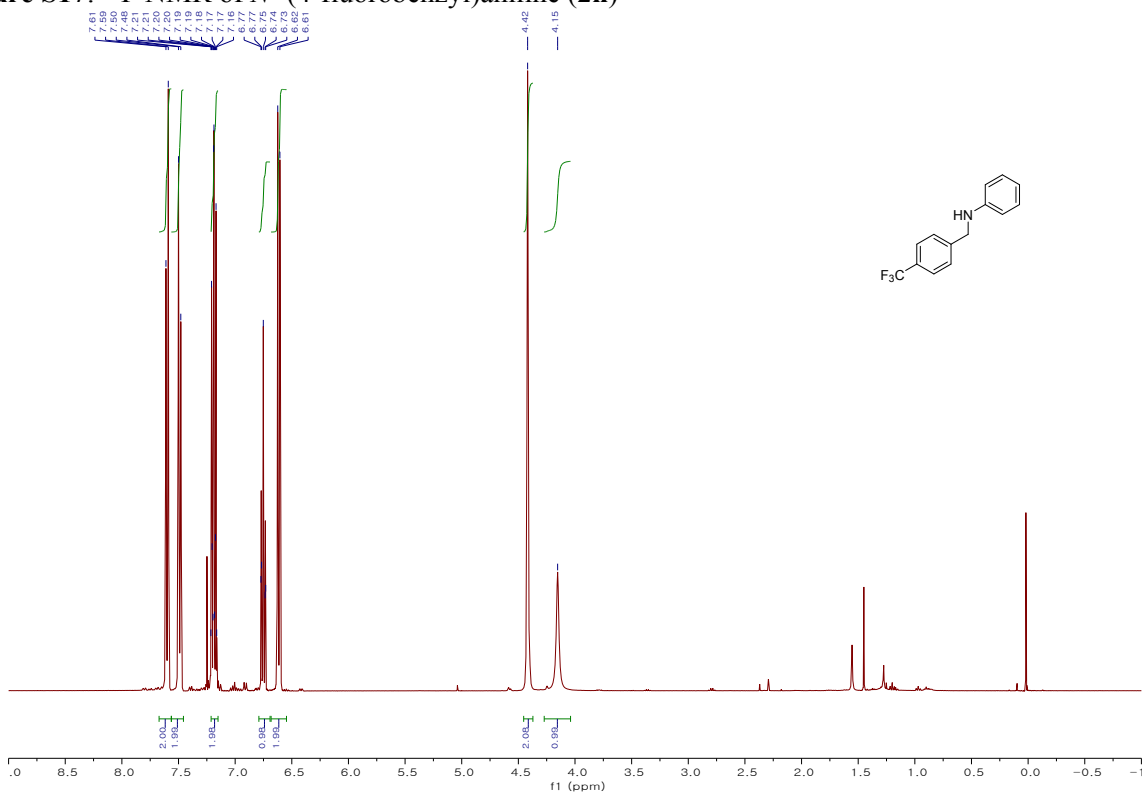


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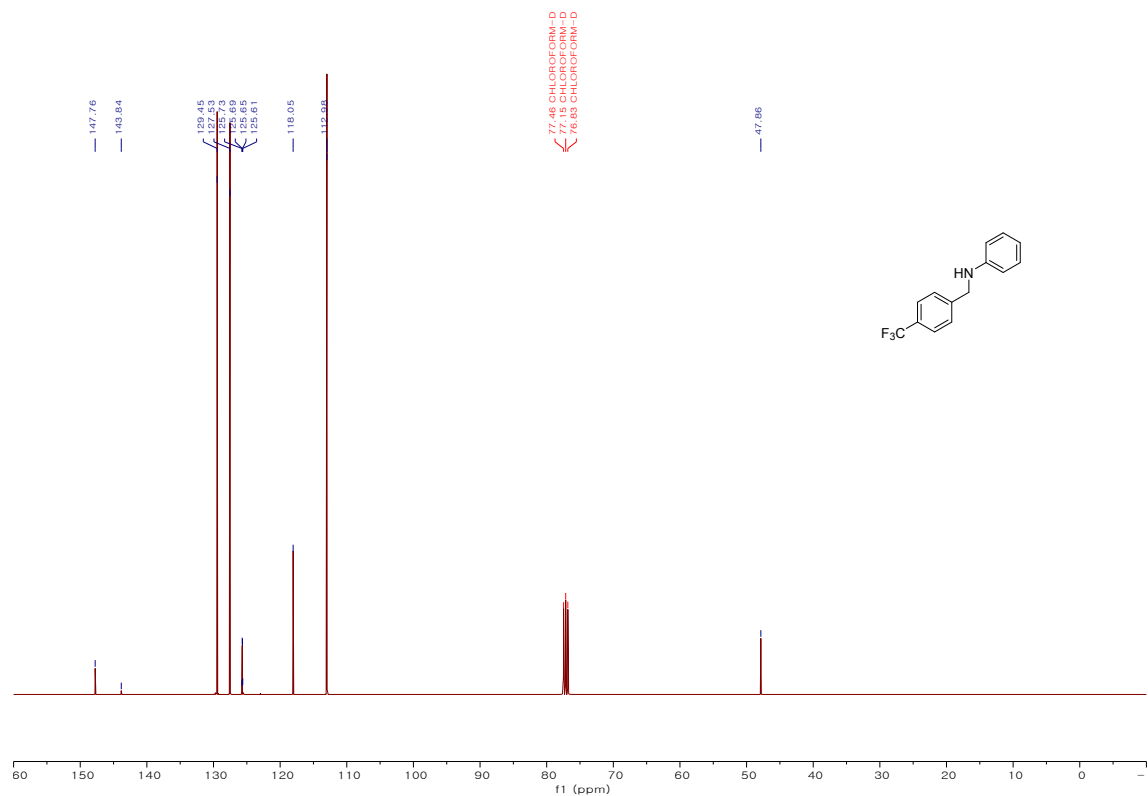


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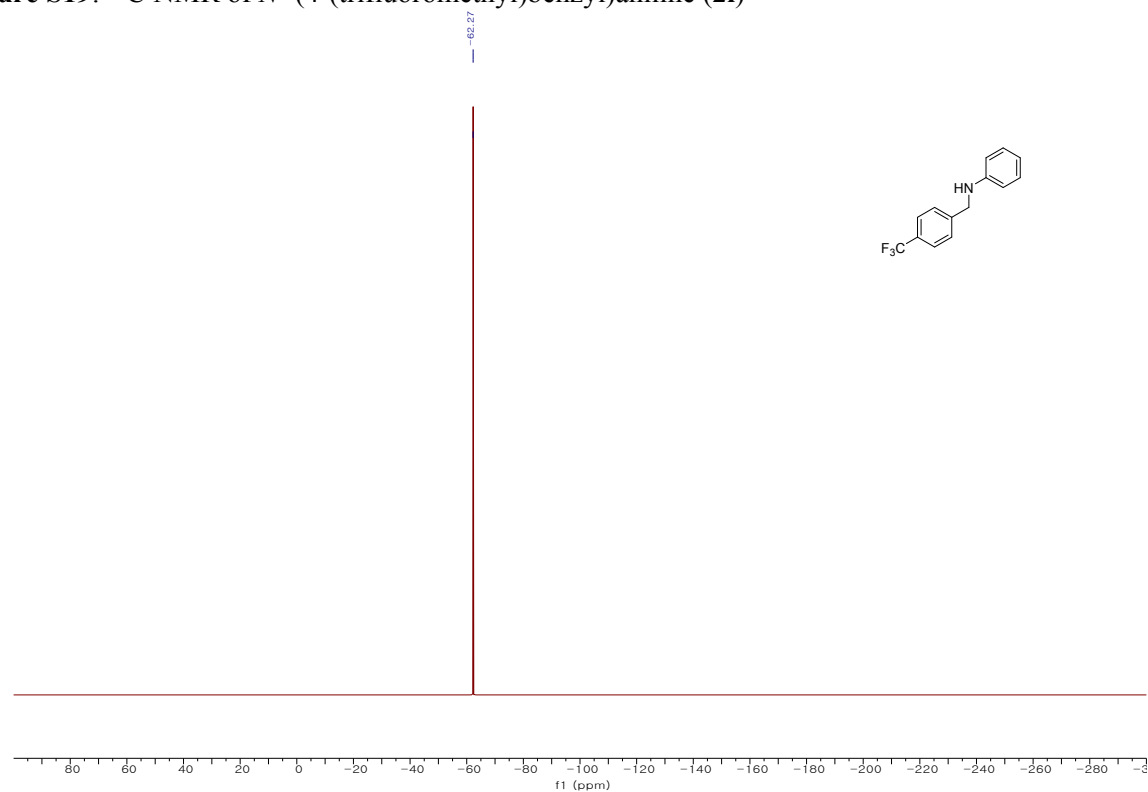


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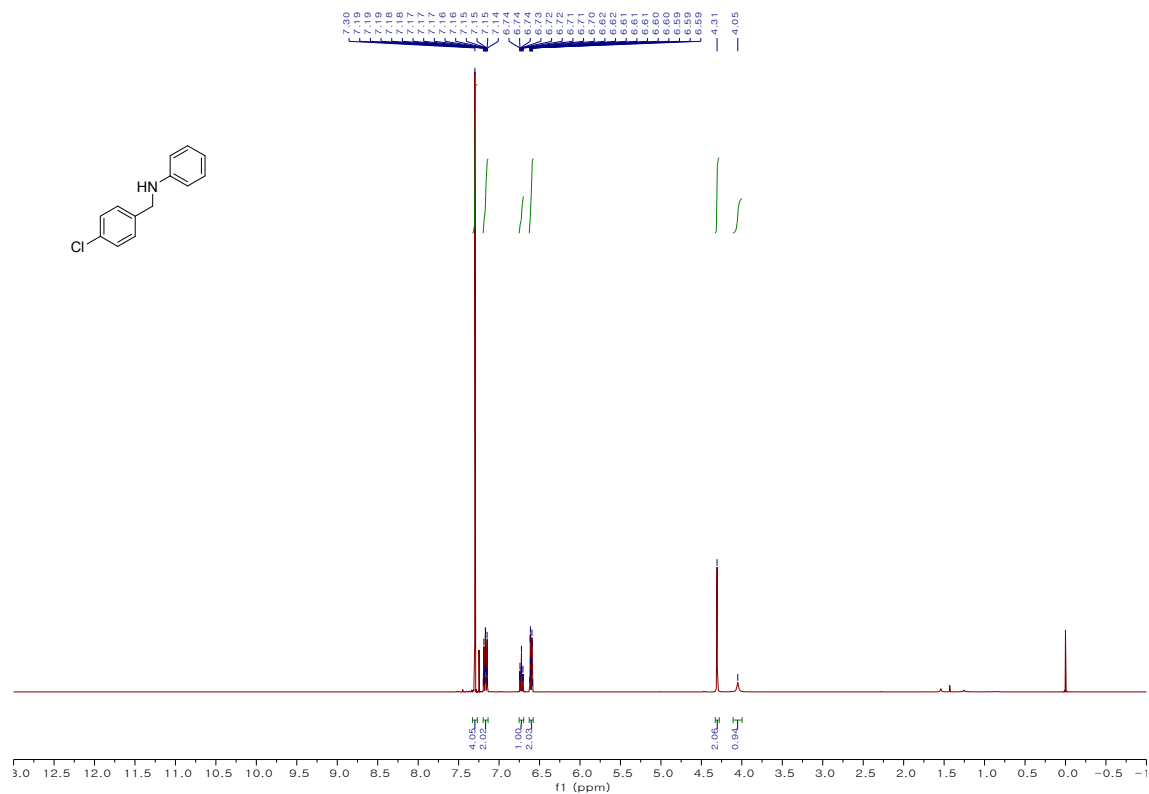


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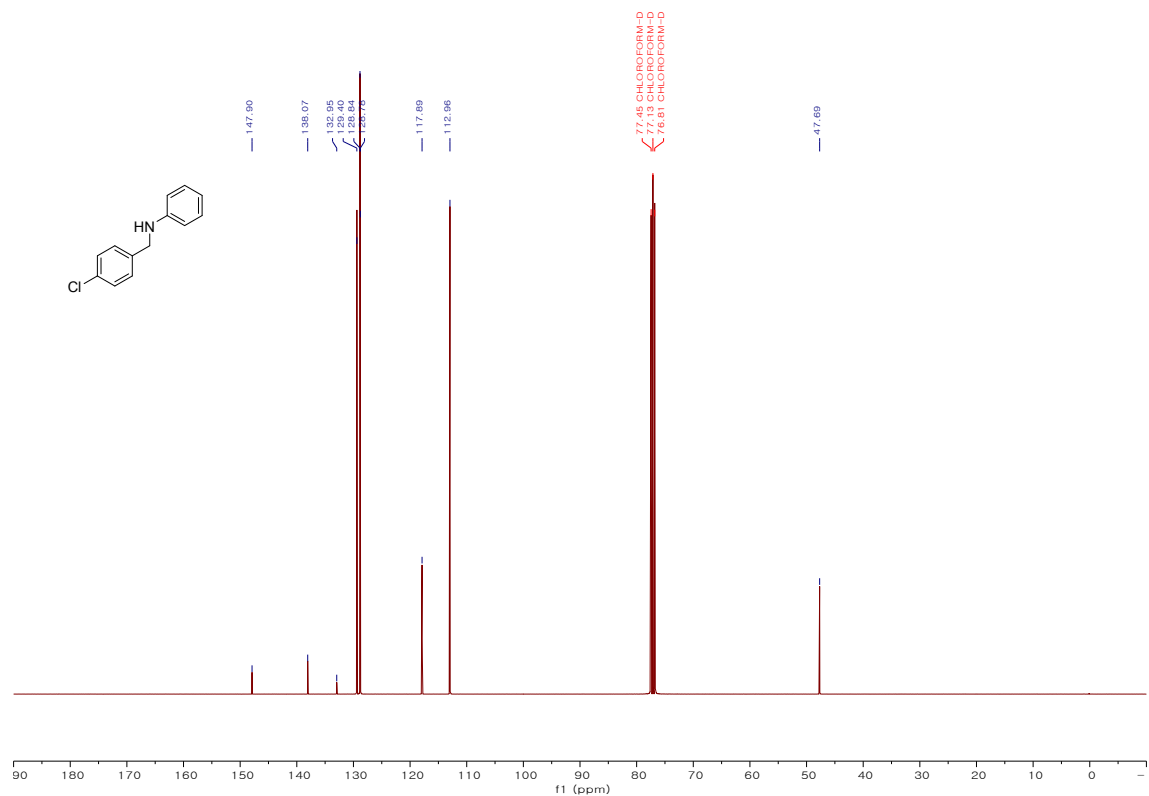


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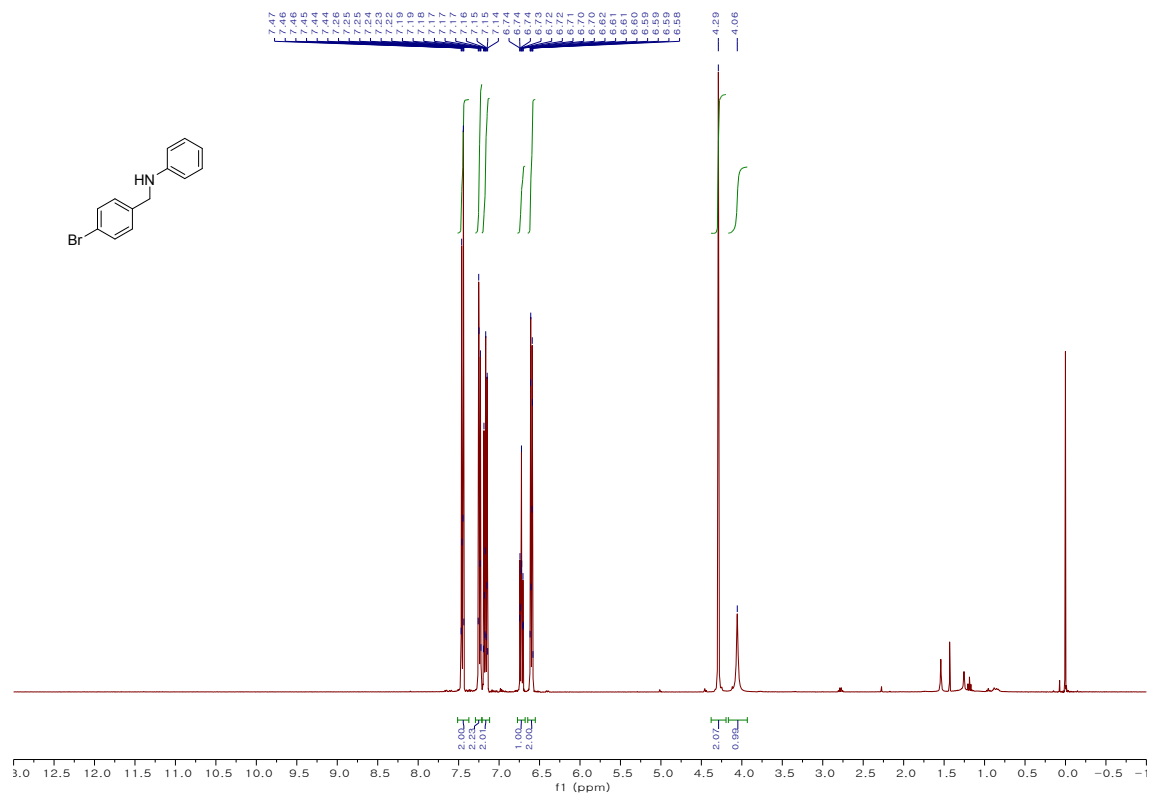


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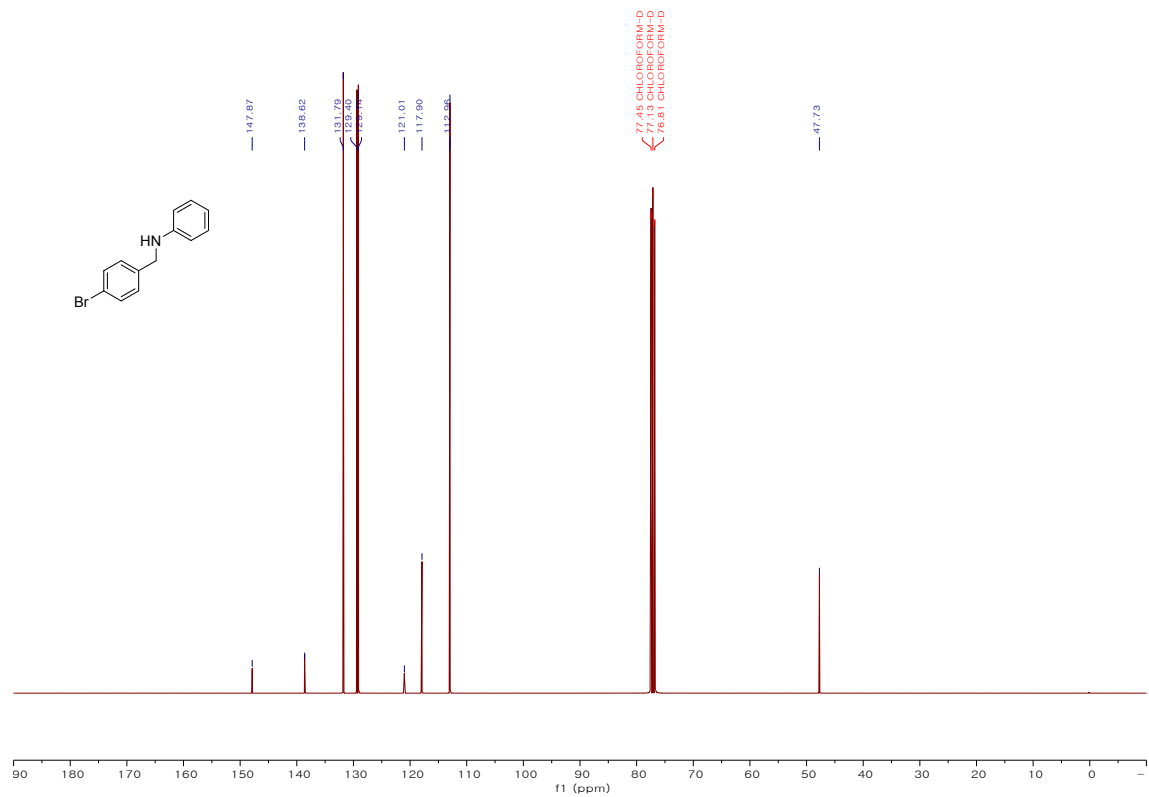


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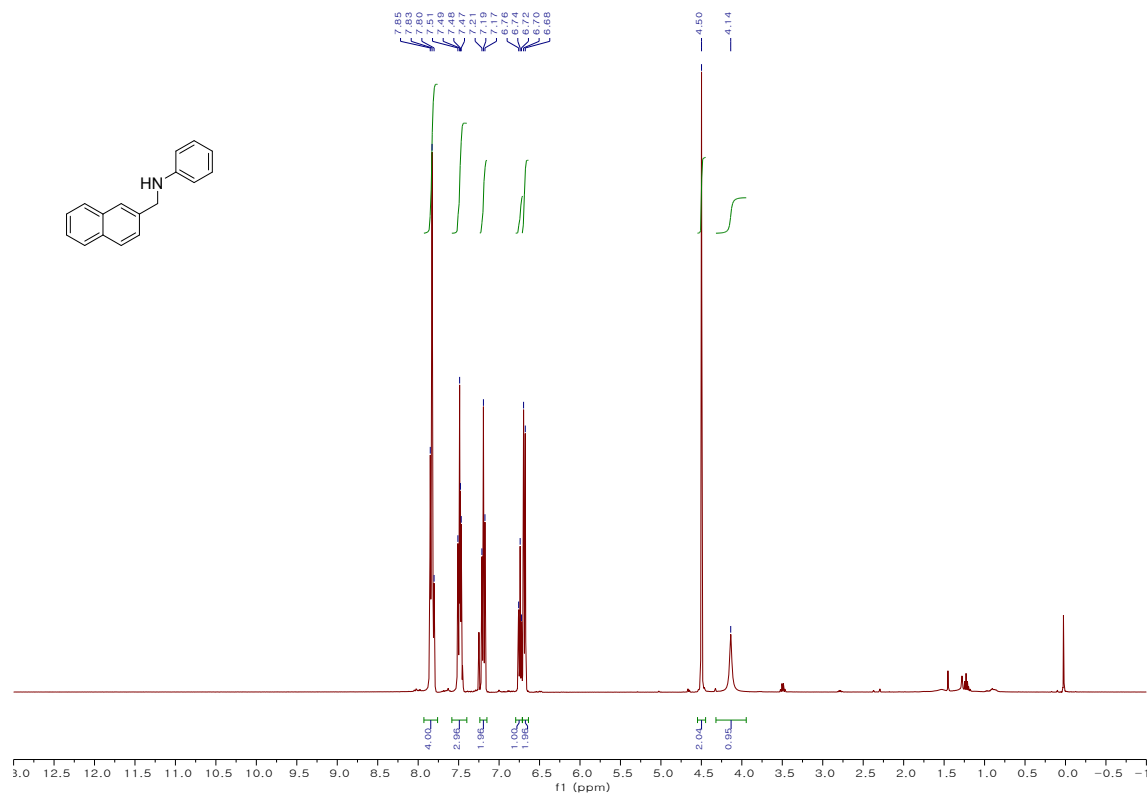


Figure S25: ^1H NMR of *N*-(naphthalen-2-ylmethyl)aniline (**2I**)

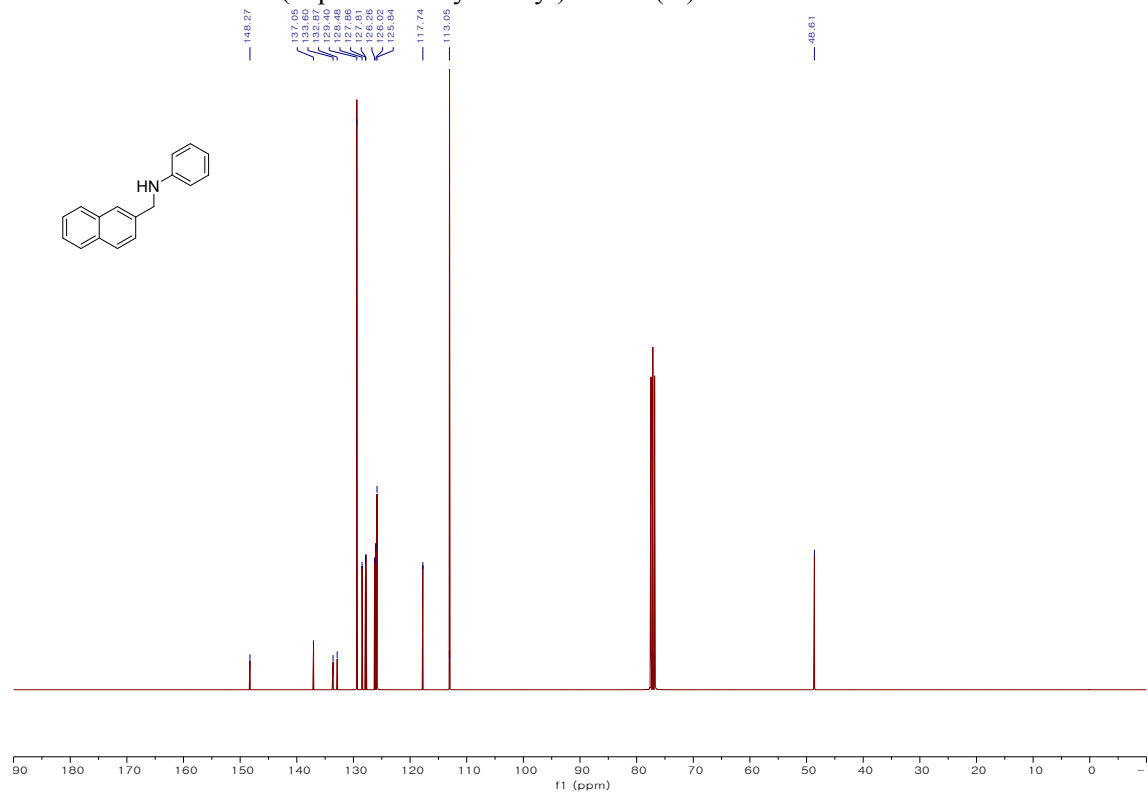
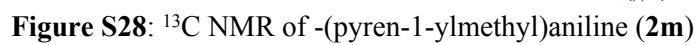
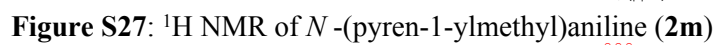


Figure S26: ^{13}C NMR of *N*-(naphthalen-2-ylmethyl)aniline (**2I**)



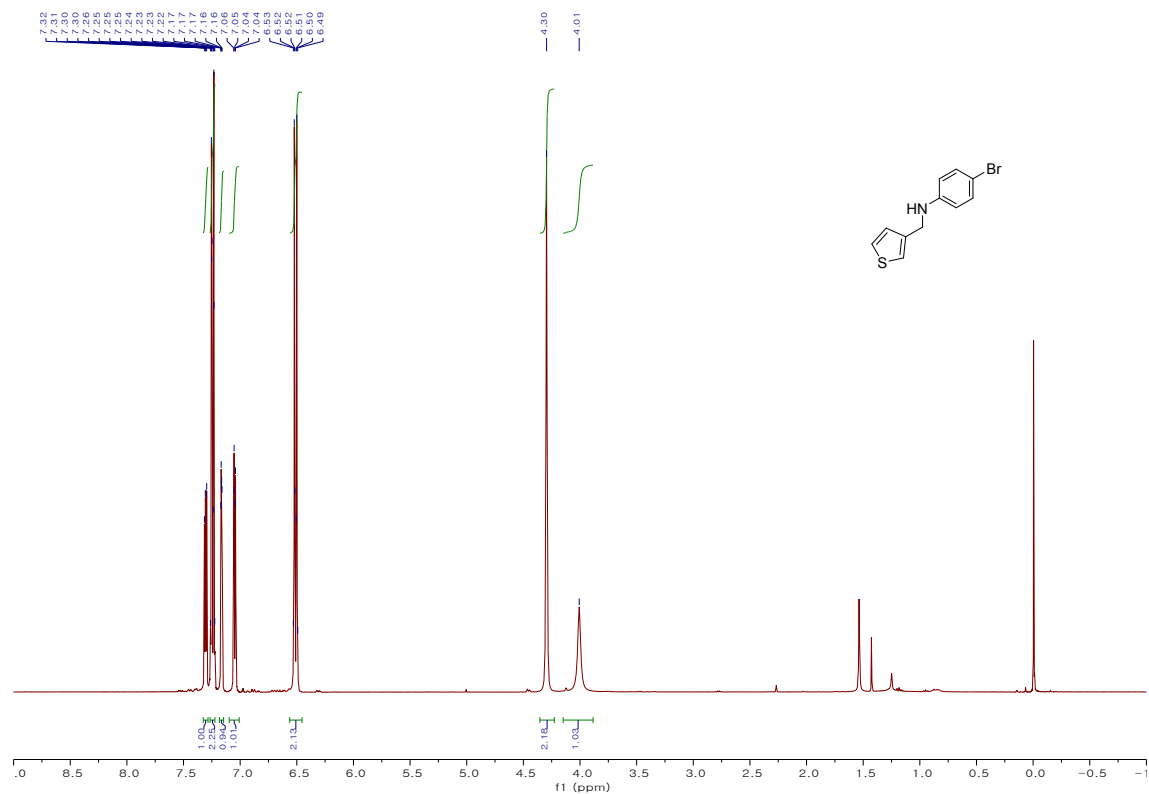


Figure S29: ¹H NMR of 4-bromo-N-(thiophen-3-ylmethyl)aniline (2n)

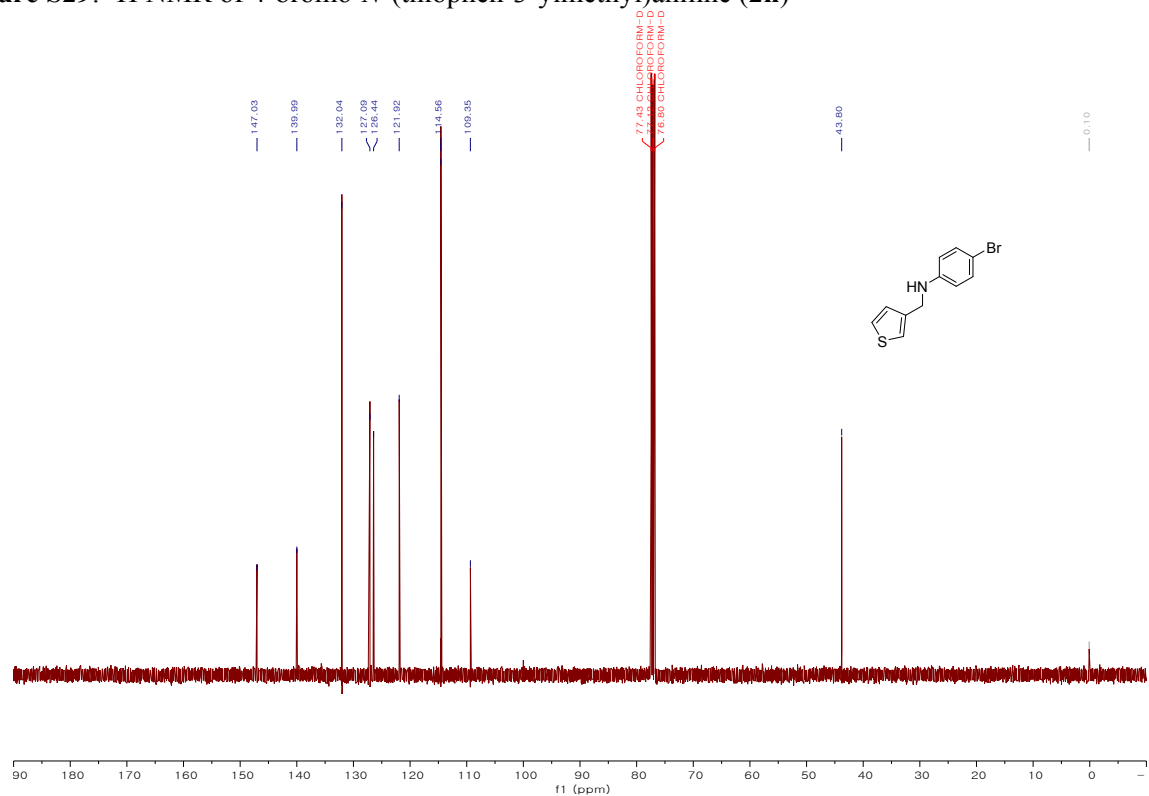


Figure S30: ¹³C NMR of 4-bromo-N-(thiophen-3-ylmethyl)aniline (2n)

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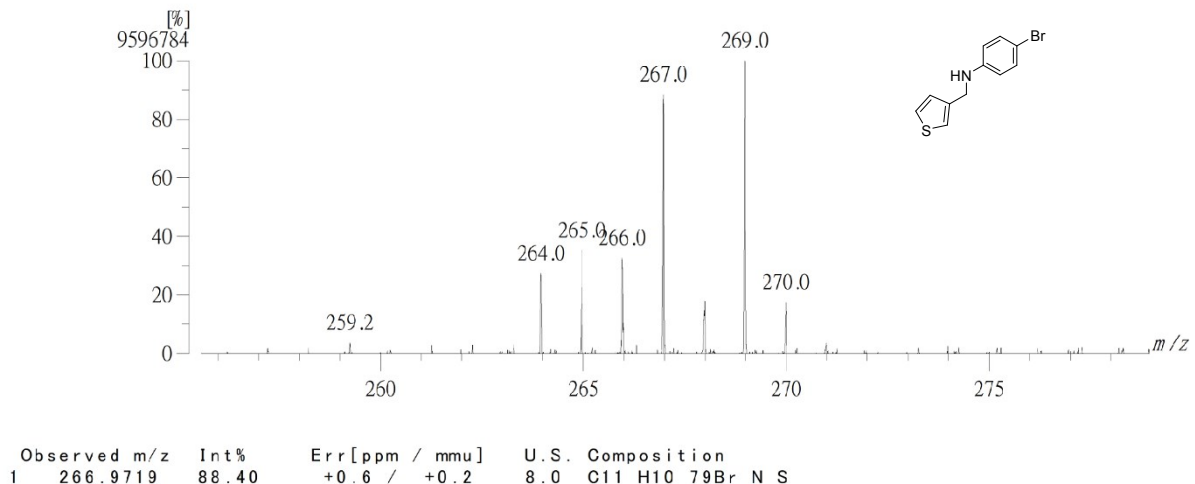


Figure S31: HRMS of 4-bromo-N-(thiophen-3-ylmethyl)aniline (2n)

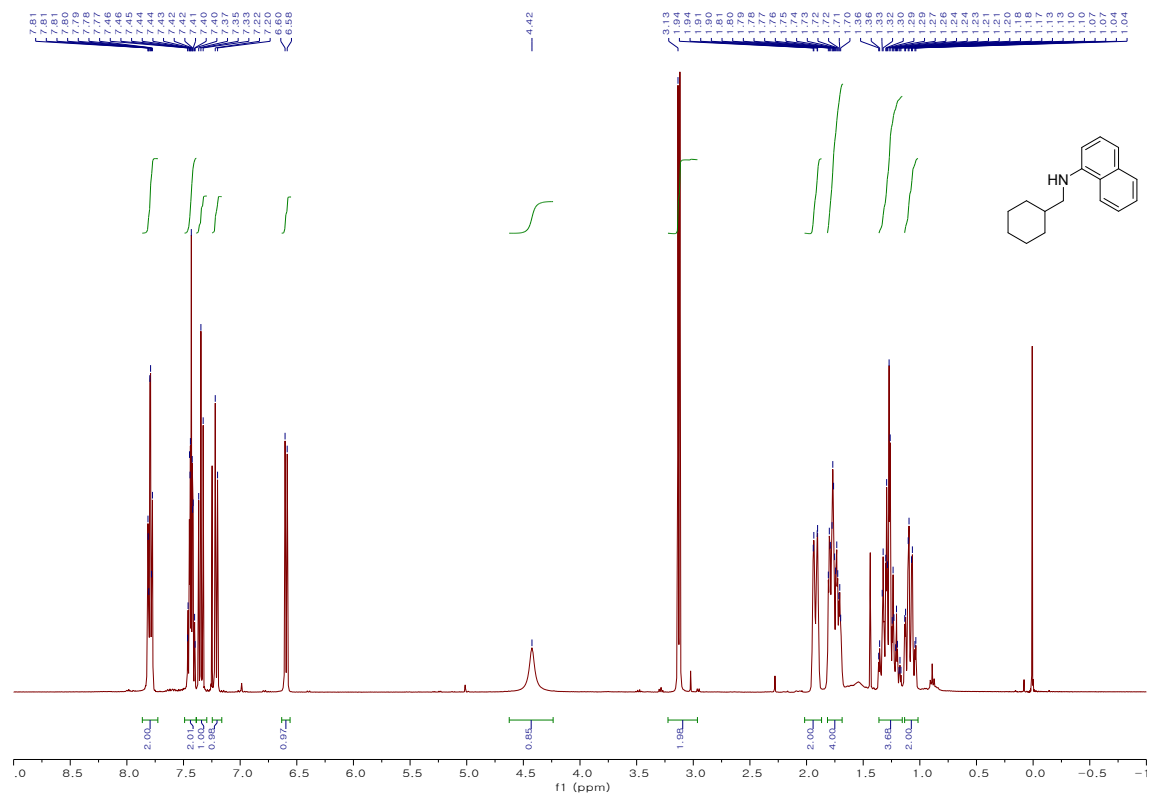


Figure S32: ¹H NMR of N-(cyclohexylmethyl)naphthalen-1-amine (2o)

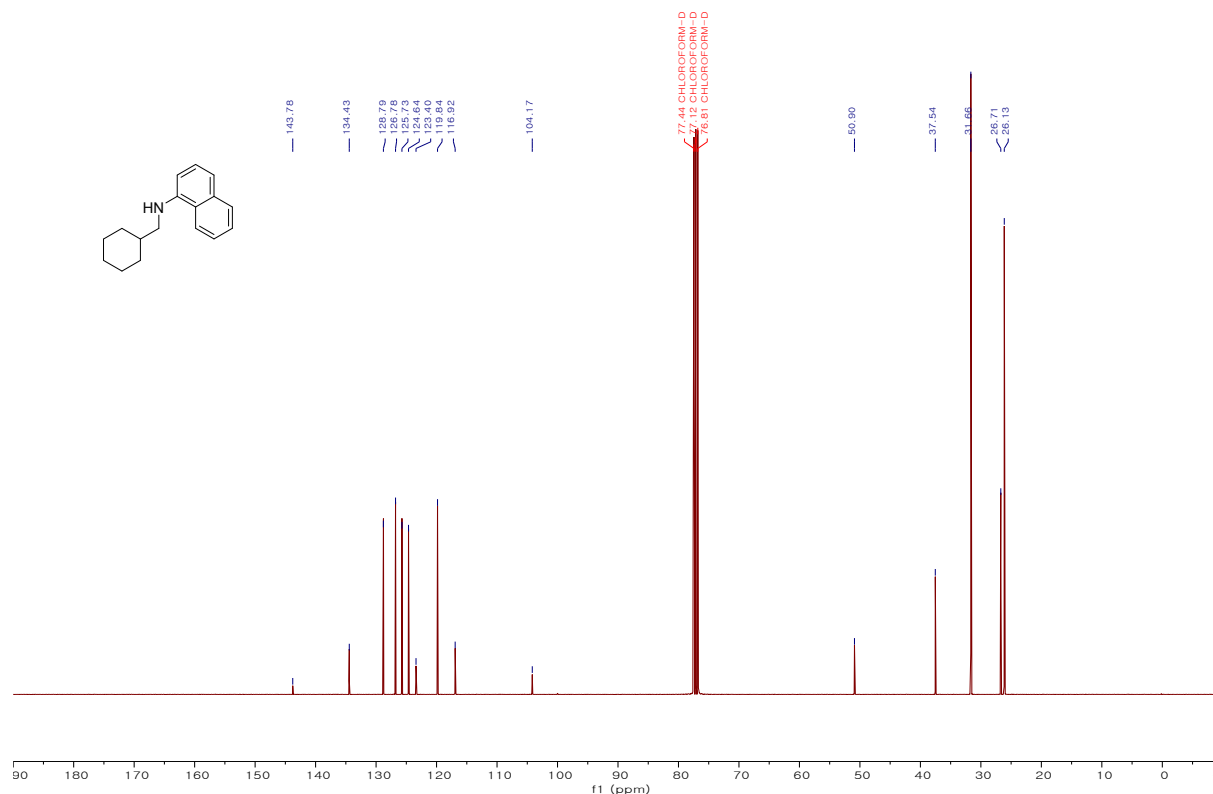


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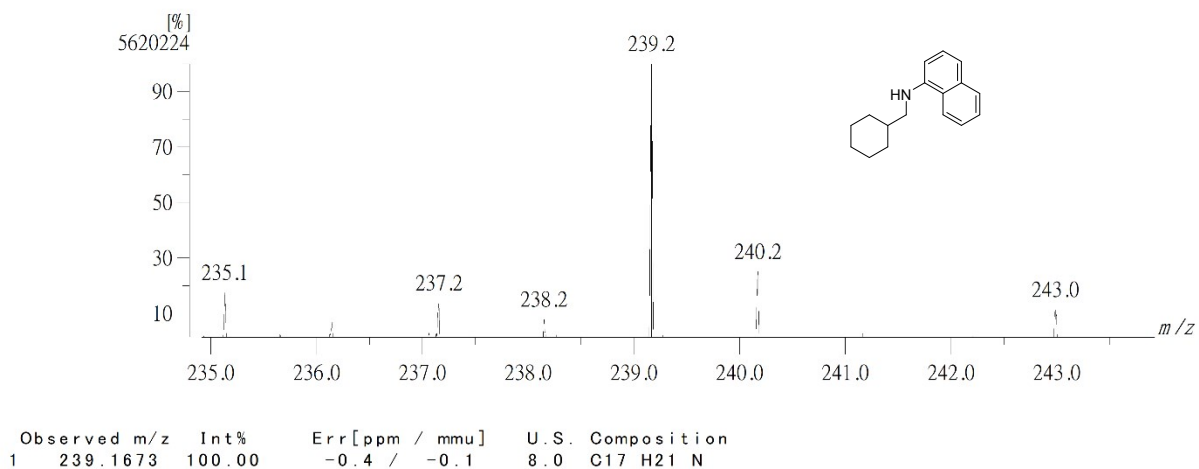


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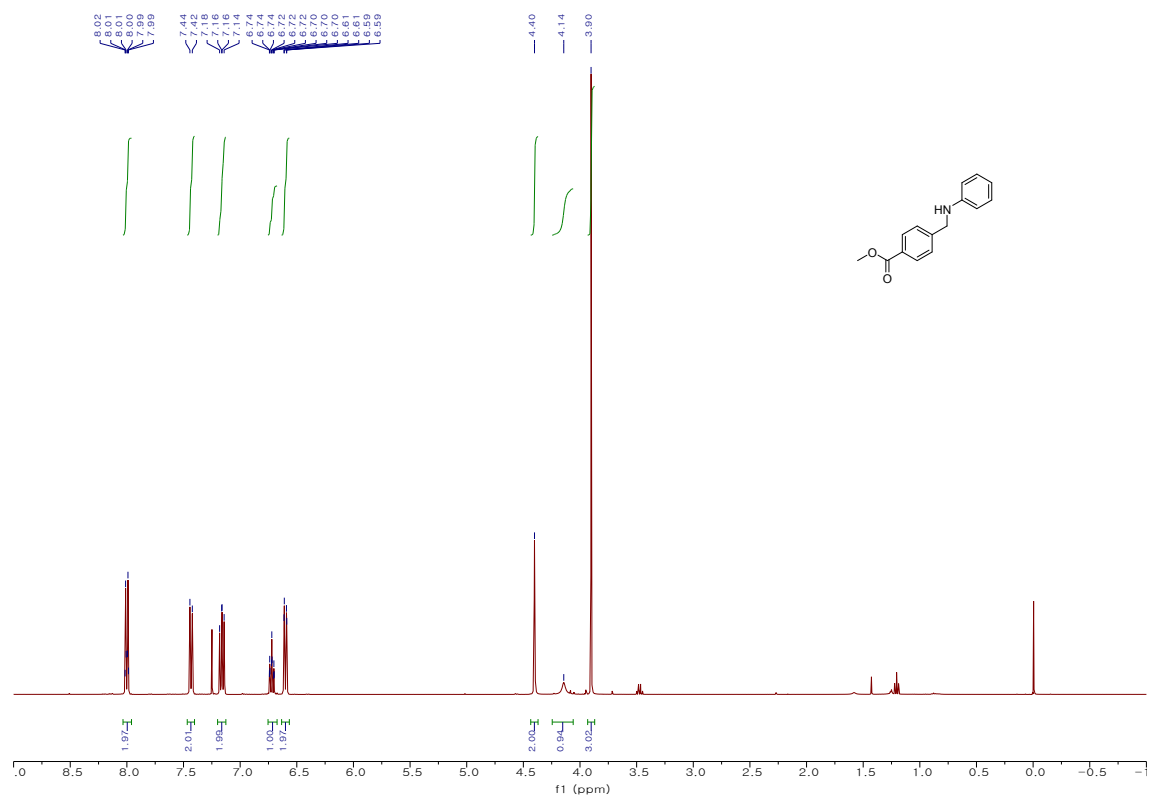


Figure S35: ¹H NMR of methyl 4-((phenylamino)methyl)benzoate (**4a**)

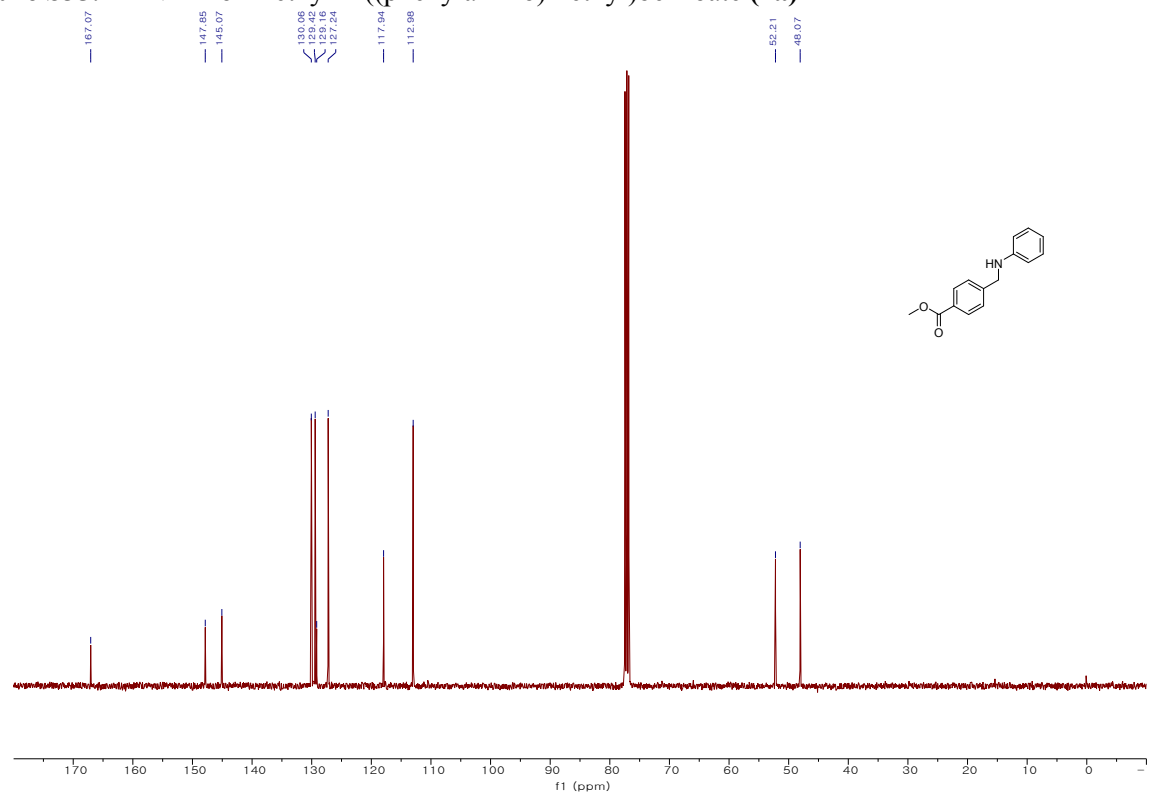


Figure S36: ¹³C NMR of methyl 4-((phenylamino)methyl)benzoate (**4a**)

2. Computational Section

All calculation results were obtained using the density functional theory (DFT) method as implemented in the Gaussian 16 program.^{S1} Geometry optimizations and energy evaluations for all the compounds were conducted at the M06-2X/6-31G(d,p) level of theory. Frequency calculations at the same level of theory were performed to confirm the optimized geometries with no imaginary frequency and transition states with one imaginary frequency. Intrinsic reaction coordinate (IRC) calculations were also employed to validate the transition states.

HBpin

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NaH

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INT1

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Imine

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TS2

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C	3.979741	-1.625773	-0.289148
H	4.545249	-0.722320	-0.531509
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H	4.061789	-2.313687	-1.131948
C	-0.840658	1.422919	-0.605011
H	-1.157686	1.417492	-1.656894
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C	-2.930496	0.626469	0.036367
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C	-4.018622	0.761741	0.924407
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H	-6.026811	0.200911	1.408689
H	-6.249176	-1.363416	-0.513799
N	-1.743816	1.291755	0.357584
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C	1.387914	2.287956	-1.314648
C	0.560699	2.885649	0.873725
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H	3.619082	4.257194	0.319306
Na	-1.106795	-0.836258	1.054393

INT4

Atom	X	Y	Z
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O	1.651692	-0.570358	1.030281
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H	3.447066	0.519797	1.836523
C	0.248192	-1.713406	-0.610396
H	0.215073	-2.568561	-1.293473
H	-0.658223	-1.737359	0.002151
H	0.220639	-0.791239	-1.194359
C	1.374235	-2.934380	1.264760
H	0.512664	-2.741435	1.909016
H	1.215202	-3.892070	0.763344
H	2.269889	-3.008023	1.888496
C	2.778393	-1.035970	-1.845833
H	3.790668	-0.930550	-2.242434
H	2.157087	-1.536587	-2.592391
H	2.370952	-0.037010	-1.664112
C	3.392301	-3.227755	-0.798406
H	2.681757	-3.817068	-1.385881
H	4.325036	-3.153007	-1.361947
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Na	-0.017880	0.874088	1.400337
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H	-2.592078	2.602356	-0.794667

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C	1.958166	2.750045	-0.845721
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H	2.856907	2.452461	-1.378876
H	3.007304	4.046430	0.518566

TS3

Atom	X	Y	Z
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O	-1.762327	-1.660479	-0.217419
B	-1.023095	-0.766945	-1.022224
H	-0.104197	-1.103574	-1.684284
C	-3.587829	-1.419536	1.353196
H	-4.545092	-0.925603	1.544651
H	-3.749591	-2.499669	1.426450
H	-2.890739	-1.105505	2.135615
C	-3.981799	-1.659320	-1.106124
H	-3.981184	-2.748307	-1.013730
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C	-2.269163	1.148209	1.001791
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C	-3.923829	1.235253	-0.876885
H	-4.808067	1.201542	-0.232157
H	-3.622880	2.278885	-0.992528
H	-4.186251	0.844632	-1.861141
Na	-0.307451	-2.321052	1.373479
N	0.892845	-0.556449	0.831624
C	1.167055	0.687499	1.512475
H	0.376736	0.868119	2.254752
H	2.097985	0.637246	2.105216

C	1.975278	-1.190230	0.283579
C	3.309522	-0.692730	0.272053
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H	3.509658	0.307617	0.638920
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H	0.802170	-2.857438	-0.511335
C	4.176013	-2.719611	-0.757796
H	5.363901	-1.017435	-0.197263
H	2.679514	-4.176867	-1.278819
H	5.010440	-3.295616	-1.140985
C	1.233998	1.937808	0.643533
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C	1.289285	4.359776	0.491336
H	1.215681	3.261479	2.338544
C	1.323962	4.279061	-0.900158
H	1.341057	2.958700	-2.597196
H	1.294135	5.328981	0.981254
H	1.357074	5.183961	-1.498858

INT5

Atom	X	Y	Z
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H	-5.205857	-0.150772	0.661853
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C	-2.702557	0.346431	1.806946
H	-2.794190	1.415569	2.014655
H	-3.350868	-0.199903	2.498959
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H	-3.081879	-2.658531	-1.806520
H	-4.571697	-1.894173	-1.209635
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H	-4.002062	-2.458104	1.251154
H	-2.700212	-3.411046	0.516838
H	-2.339474	-2.253813	1.814138
O	-2.235813	0.896558	-0.481422
H	-1.197373	0.077558	-2.280065
N	0.343136	0.506945	-0.642561
C	1.262040	-0.324500	-1.424490
H	0.657218	-1.041982	-1.987604
H	1.796020	0.266941	-2.181445
C	0.768244	1.827433	-0.390811

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H	1.943532	5.474604	0.471896
C	2.264116	-1.124095	-0.599860
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H	4.717633	-3.303207	1.512447
Na	0.197079	-1.136497	1.049995

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Atom	X	Y	Z
C	2.862130	0.156750	-0.701024
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O	1.768981	1.020434	-0.323079
B	0.921031	0.248456	0.442622
C	4.123863	0.991503	-0.839416
H	4.988780	0.348727	-1.031552
H	4.015846	1.681017	-1.680221
H	4.311900	1.577077	0.061735
C	2.486322	-0.479570	-2.038050
H	2.268385	0.314881	-2.755432
H	3.299251	-1.095734	-2.431863
H	1.593650	-1.104035	-1.931897
C	3.640767	-0.367588	1.691020
H	3.431695	-1.028171	2.535623
H	4.720004	-0.354483	1.515889
H	3.316104	0.643038	1.955406
C	3.361919	-2.267653	0.081837
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H	3.348662	-2.916875	0.960714
H	2.717633	-2.710499	-0.678841
N	-0.416803	0.575872	0.804042
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H	-1.930508	0.001991	2.120922
H	-0.496862	-1.022775	2.117344
C	-1.091287	1.750061	0.396367
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C	-2.482477	1.762933	0.232429
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H	-0.467542	5.000766	-0.373159
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H	-1.113462	-0.611598	-1.283363
C	-3.120135	-3.349538	-1.103240
H	-3.895453	-4.184721	0.724340
H	-2.209499	-2.288916	-2.737265
H	-3.606013	-4.081246	-1.740485

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