

**Molecular iodine mediated oxidative cleavage of C-N bond of aryl and heteroaryl
(dimethylamino)methyl groups into aldehydes**

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Experimental

General: Commercial reagents were purchased from Sigma–Aldrich and used without further purification. Solvents were distilled before use. Reactions were monitored by thin-layer chromatography (TLC Silica gel 60 F254 purchased from Merck). Flash chromatography was performed on CombiFlash *Rf* lumen instrument with silica gel (230–400 mesh). ¹H NMR (400 MHz) and ¹³C NMR (100 MHz) were recorded with a Bruker Avance 400 MHz instrument using CDCl₃ and DMSO-*d*₆ as solvent and TMS as an internal standard. Melting points are recorded with a Thiele apparatus and are uncorrected.

General procedure for preparation of aldehydes (2a – 2r): To the solution of (*N,N*-dimethylamino)methyl substrate (1mmol) dissolved in 2 mL of 1, 4-dioxane was added sodium carbonate (1.5 equiv) and iodine (1.1 equiv) and the reaction was stirred for 12 h at room temperature. After the completion of the reaction (checked on TLC), 5 mL water was added and the mixture was stirred for another 3 h. The aqueous layer was extracted using ethyl acetate. Organic layer was dried over sodium sulfate and concentrated on rotary evaporator. The crude sample was purified by flash chromatography in DCM: MeOH (20:0.3) solvent mixture.

1H-indole-3-carbaldehyde (2a): Pale yellow solid, yield: 81 %, m.p. 189 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 12.16 (s, 1H), 9.93 (s, 1H), 8.30 (s, 1H), 8.10 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.29 – 7.20 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 185.54, 138.93, 137.53, 124.59, 123.97, 122.64, 121.32, 118.65, 112.90. Spectral data is in accordance with the literature.^[1]

1-methyl-1H-indole-3-carbaldehyde (2b): Pale brown solid, yield: 83 %, m.p. 72 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.92 (s, 1H), 8.27 – 8.30 (m, 1H), 7.60 (s, 1H), 7.33 – 7.30 (m, 3H), 3.80 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 184.80, 139.42, 137.88, 124.93, 123.71, 122.70, 121.98, 117.99, 111.96, 33.67. Spectral data is in accordance with the literature.^[1]

1-benzyl-1H-indole-3-carbaldehyde (2c): White solid, yield: 78 %, m.p. 105 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.98 (s, 1H), 8.35 – 8.31 (m, 1H), 7.70 (s, 1H), 7.36 – 7.25 (m, 6H), 7.17 (d, *J* = 8 Hz, 2H), 5.34 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 184.70, 138.60, 137.48, 135.32, 129.15, 128.42, 127.36, 125.51, 124.19, 123.11, 122.18, 118.50, 110.42, 50.94. Spectral data is in accordance with the literature.^[1]

5-methoxy-1H-indole-3-carbaldehyde (2d): Pale pink solid, yield: 71 %, m.p. 179 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 12.03 (s, 1H), 9.90 (s, 1H), 8.22 (s, 1H), 7.57 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 6.90 – 6.87 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 3.79 (s, 4H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 184.30, 156.09, 138.89, 132.26, 125.36, 118.50, 113.76, 113.66, 102.94, 55.73. Spectral data is in accordance with the literature.^[3]

6-chloro-1H-indole-3-carbaldehyde (2e): White solid, yield: 75 %, m.p. 205 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 12.23 (s, 1H), 9.94 (s, 1H), 8.34 (s, 1H), 8.08 (d, *J* = 8 Hz, 1H), 7.58 (s, 1H), 7.26 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 190.49, 144.54, 142.71, 133.12, 128.07, 127.67, 127.30, 123.19, 123.15, 117.44. Spectral data is in accordance with the literature.^[4]

5-nitro-1H-indole-3-carbaldehyde (2f): Yellow solid, yield: 79 %, m.p. 290 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 12.73 (s, 1 H), 10.03 (s, 1H), 8.94 (s, 1H), 8.58 (s, 1H), 8.17 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.74 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 186.05, 143.32, 141.96, 140.60, 123.97, 119.50, 119.28, 117.53, 113.71. Spectral data is in accordance with the literature.^[1]

2-methyl-1H-indole-3-carbaldehyde (2g): Yellow solid, yield: 43 %, m.p. 196 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 11.98 (br s, 1H), 10.06 (s, 1H), 8.03 – 8.05 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 7.40 – 7.37 (m, 1H), 7.19 – 7.13 (m, 2H), 2.68 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 184.66, 148.97, 135.80, 126.05, 123.06, 122.31, 120.43, 114.10, 111.82, 11.92. Spectral data is in accordance with the literature.^[3]

2-phenyl-1H-indole-3-carbaldehyde (2h): White solid, yield: 63 %, m.p. 252 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 12.44 (s, 1H), 9.96 (s, 1H), 8.22 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.79 (d, *J* = 7.2, 2H), 7.66 – 7.54 (m, 3H), 7.53 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.32 – 7.24 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 186.04, 149.61, 135.36, 130.33, 130.20, 129.47, 126.20, 124.22, 122.95, 121.51, 113.91, 112.49. Spectral data is in accordance with the literature.^[1]

3-formyl-1H-indole-5-carbonitrile (2i): Yellow solid, yield: 61 %, m.p. 259 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 12.58 (s, 1H), 10.00 (s, 1H), 8.51 (s, 1H), 8.46 (s, 1H), 7.71 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.65 – 7.63 (m, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 185.91, 140.76, 139.28, 126.89, 126.16, 124.40, 120.39, 118.45, 114.43, 104.85. Spectral data is in accordance with the literature.^[3]

Ethyl 3-formyl-1H-indole-2-carboxylate (2j): White powder, yield: 68 %, m.p. 183 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 12.84 (s, 1H), 10.62 (s, 1H), 8.26 (d, 1H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.59 (d, 1H, *J* = 8.4), 7.38 – 7.42 (m, 1H), 7.28 – 7.32 (m, 1H), 4.42 – 4.48 (q, 2H, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 1.38 – 1.41 (t, 3H, *J* = 6.8 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ: 188.0, 160.6, 136.2, 133.2, 126.4, 125.2, 124.0, 122.8, 118.9, 113.6, 62.3, 14.5. Spectral data is in accordance with the literature.^[3]

4-hydroxy-2-oxo-2H-chromene-3-carbaldehyde (2k): White crystals, yield: 35 %, m.p. 138 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 10.34 (s, 1H), 10.00 (s, 1H), 8.32 (d, *J* = 8.4, 1H), 7.76 – 7.72 (t, *J* = 7.2, 1H), 7.36 – 7.42 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ: 191.07, 162.47, 158.31, 154.34, 135.42, 125.26, 124.72, 117.96, 114.04, 95.46. Spectral data is in accordance with the literature.^[2]

Thiophene-2-carboxaldehyde (2l): Yellow liquid, yield: 59 %. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.84 (s, 1H), 7.70 (d, *J* = 3.6, 1H), 7.68 (d, *J* = 4.8, 1H), 7.13 – 7.11 (t, *J* = 4.8, 2H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 183.14, 143.94, 136.59, 135.23, 128.43. Spectral data is in accordance with the literature.^[8]

2-hydroxy-1-naphthaldehyde (2l): Yellow solid, yield: 56 %, m.p. 80 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 13.15 (s, 1H), 10.76 (s, 1H), 8.33 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.78 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (d, *J* = 8 Hz, 1H), 7.60 – 7.57 (m, 1H), 7.44 – 7.40 (m, 1H), 7.12 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 193.31, 164.93, 139.18, 132.87, 129.50, 129.14, 127.79, 124.53, 119.18, 118.61, 111.27. Spectral data is in accordance with the literature.^[5]

3,4-dimethoxybenzaldehyde (2m): Off white solid, yield: 67 %, m.p. 46 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.86 (s, 1H), 7.48 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.42 (s, 1H), 7.00 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.98 (s, 3H), 3.95 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 190.96, 154.49, 149.61, 130.12, 126.93, 110.37, 108.89, 56.19, 56.01 ppm. Spectral data is in accordance with the literature.^[6]

2,3,4-trimethoxybenzaldehyde (2n): Colorless oil, yield: 64 %, b.p. 168 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.24 (s, 1H), 7.61 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 6.77 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 4.04 (s, 1H), 3.94 (s, 1H), 3.89 (s, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 188.87, 159.30, 156.94, 141.58, 124.23, 123.31, 107.40, 62.35, 60.98, 56.20 ppm. Spectral data is in accordance with the literature.^[7]

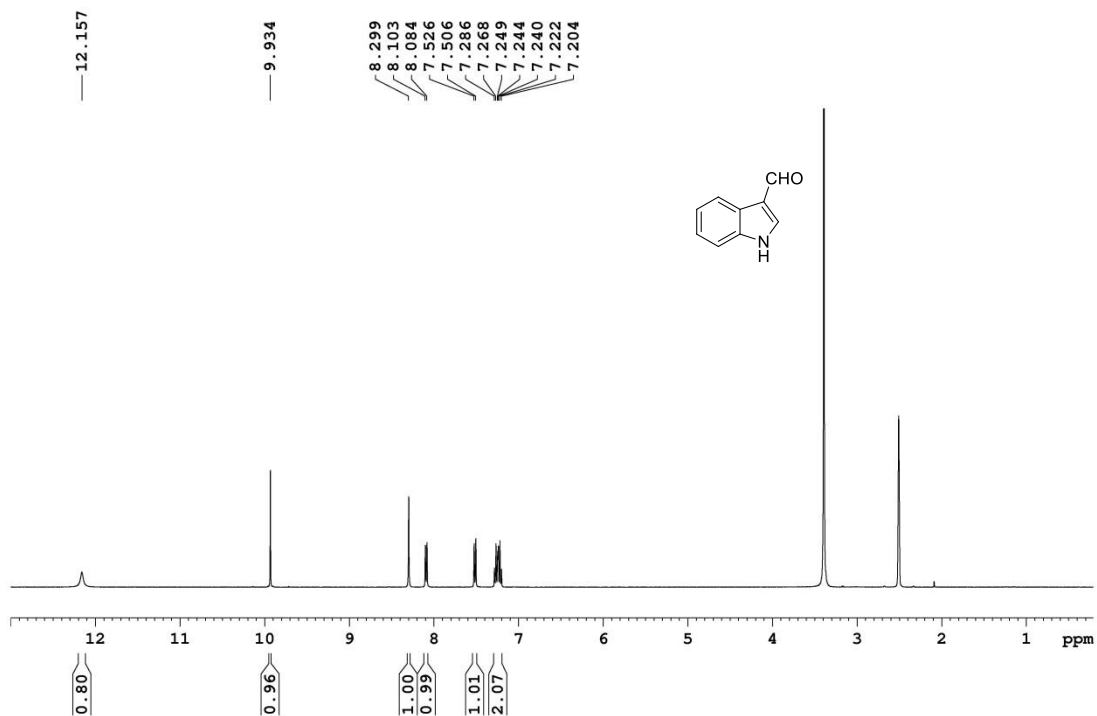
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Benzophenone (2p): White solid, yield: 89 %, m.p. 52 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.81 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 4H), 7.60 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.49 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 4H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.8, 137.6, 132.5, 130.1, 128.3. Spectral data is in accordance with the literature.^[7]

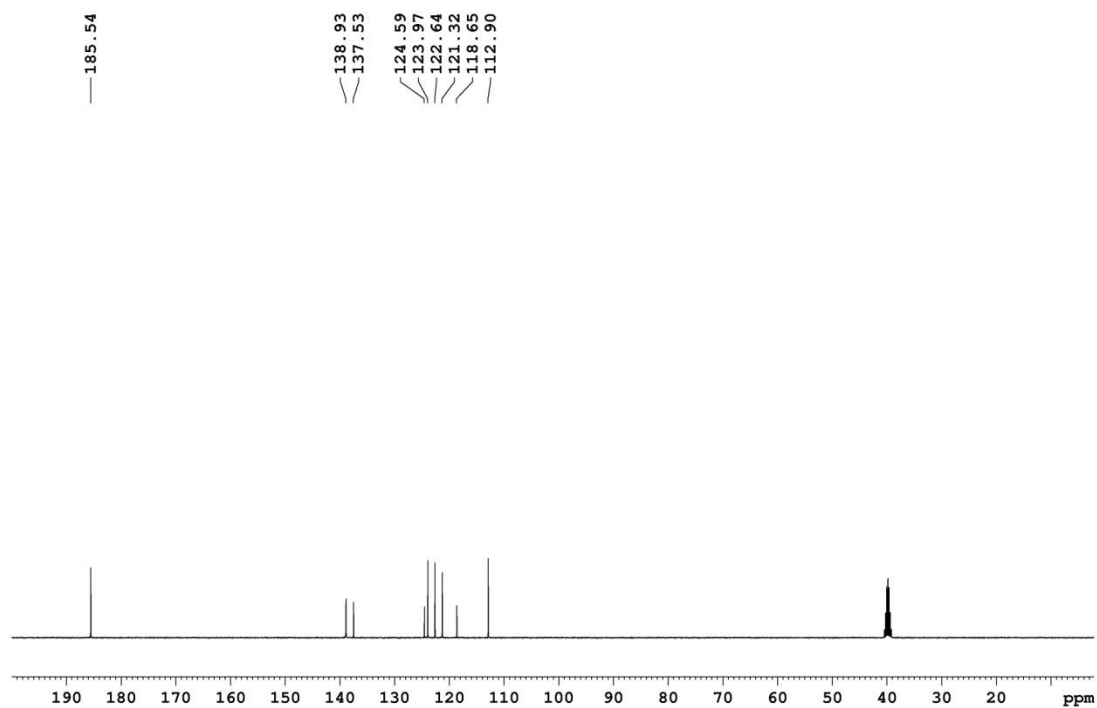
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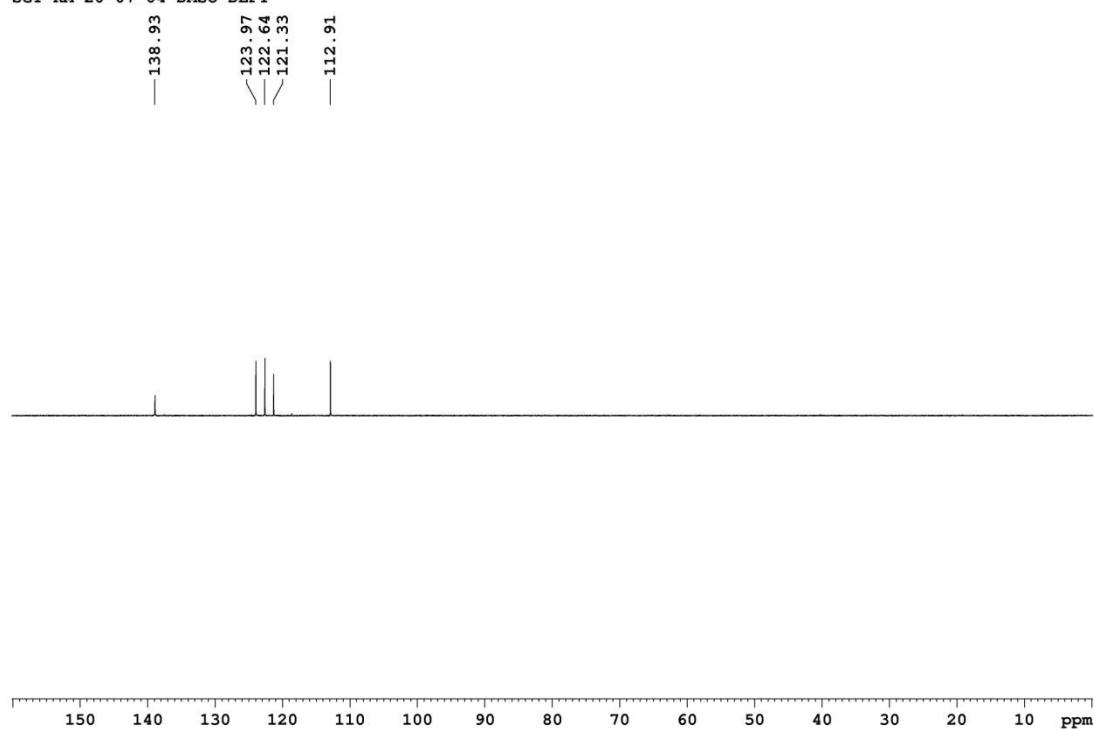
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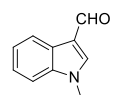
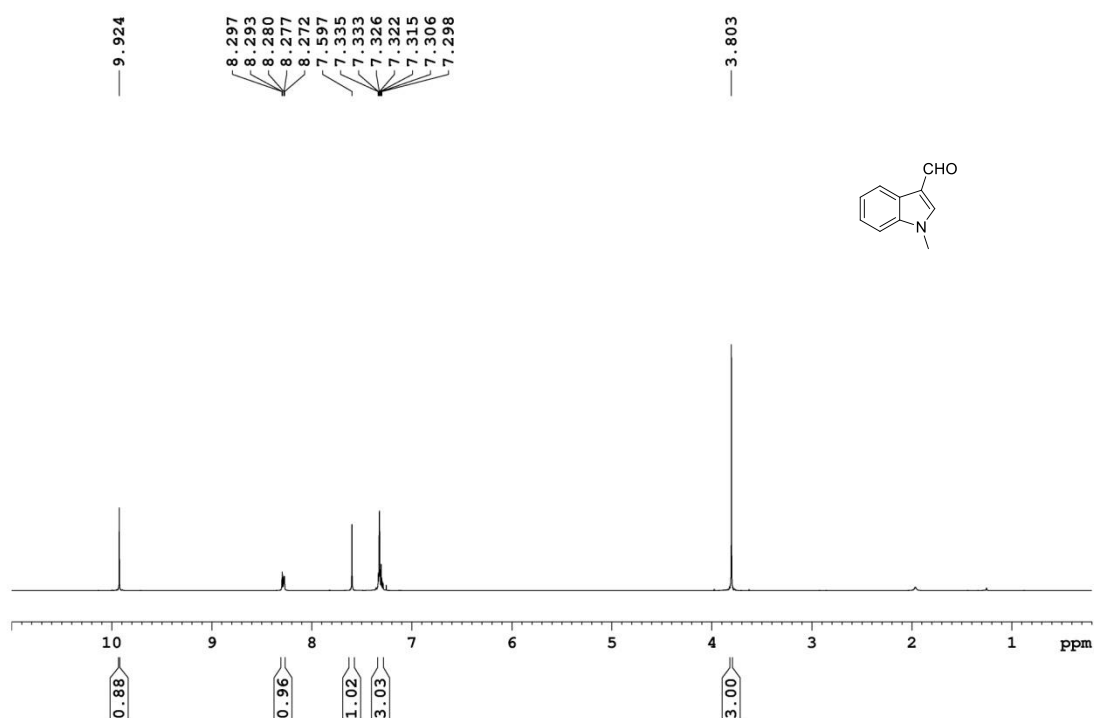
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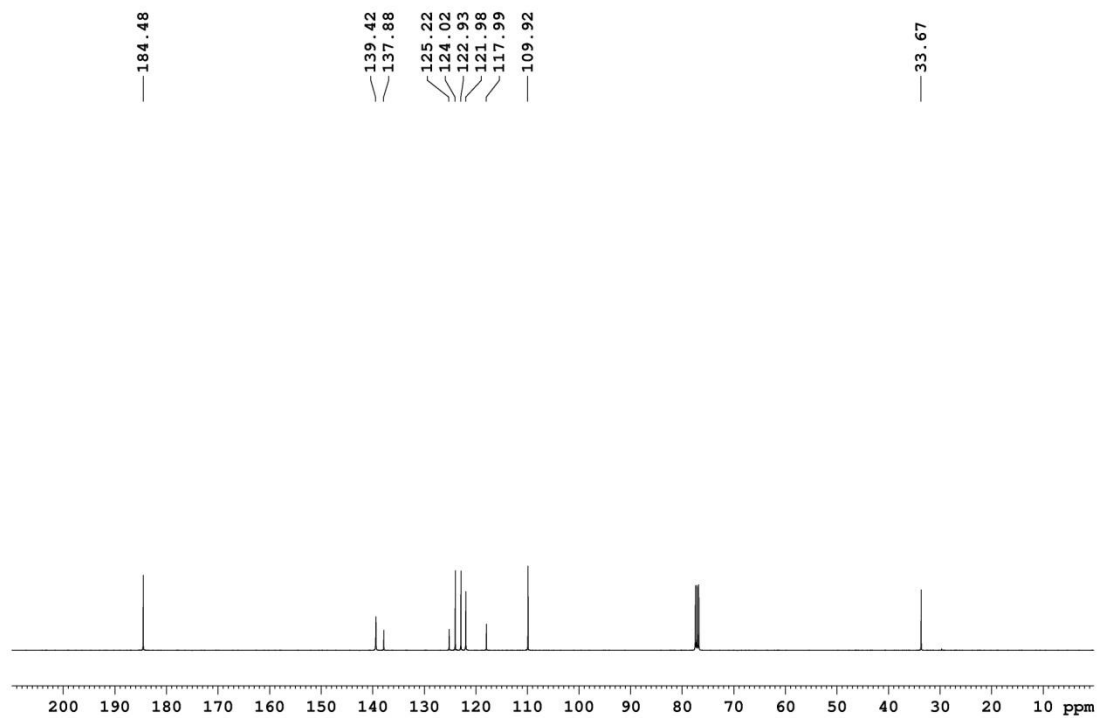
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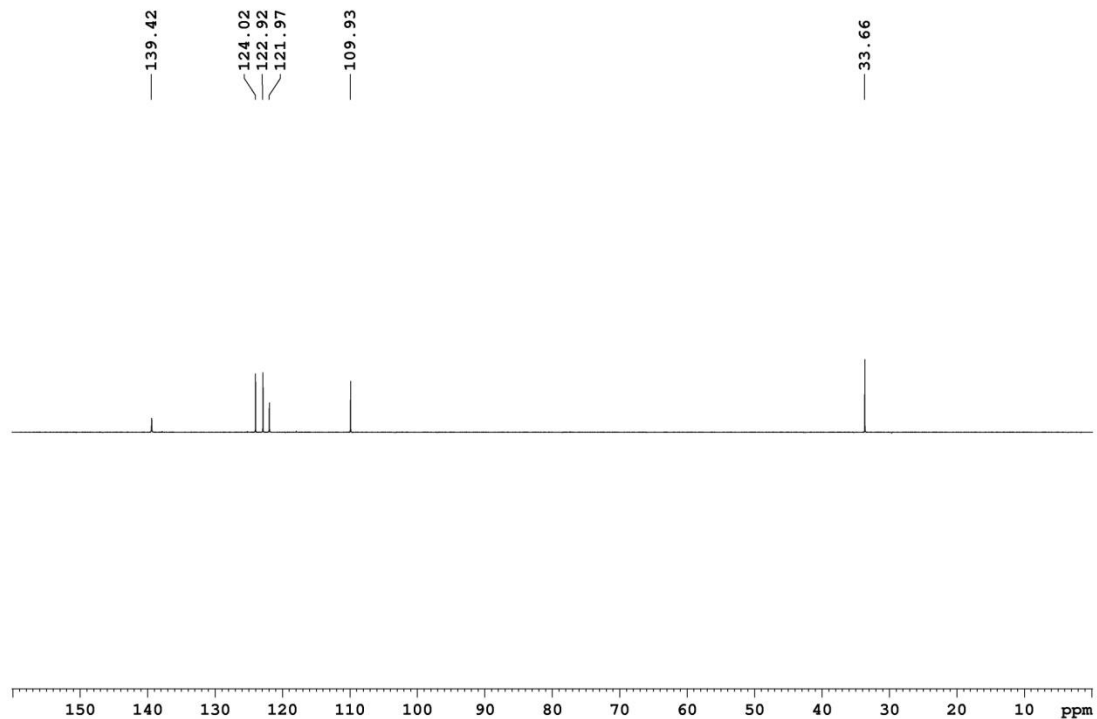
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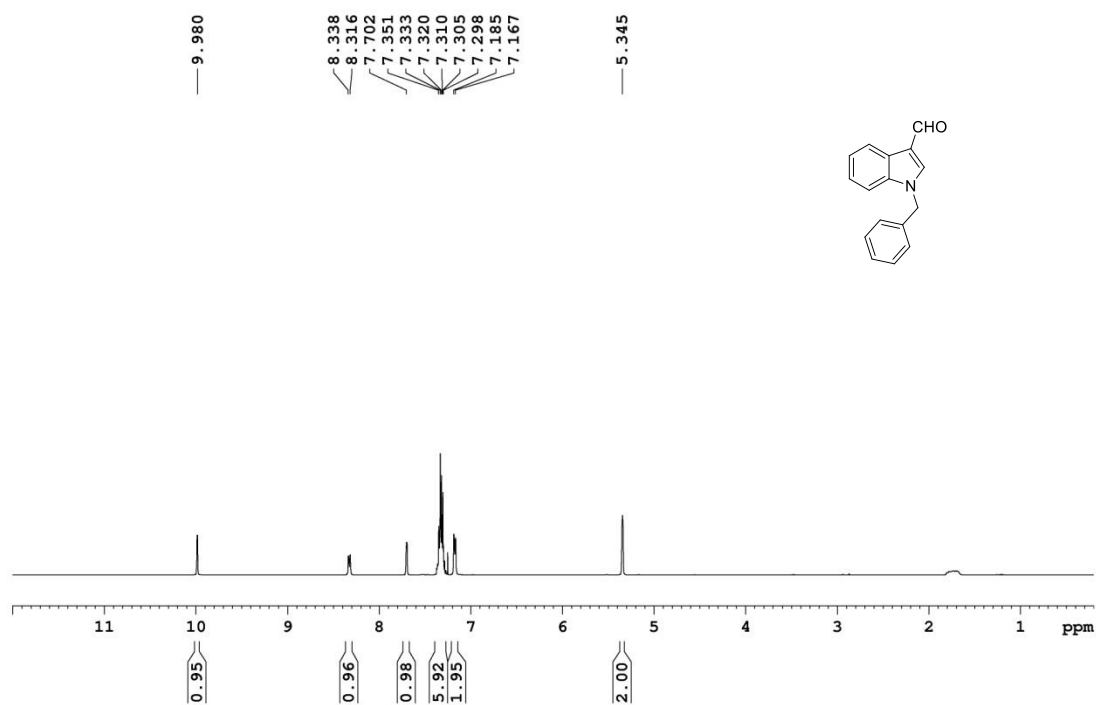
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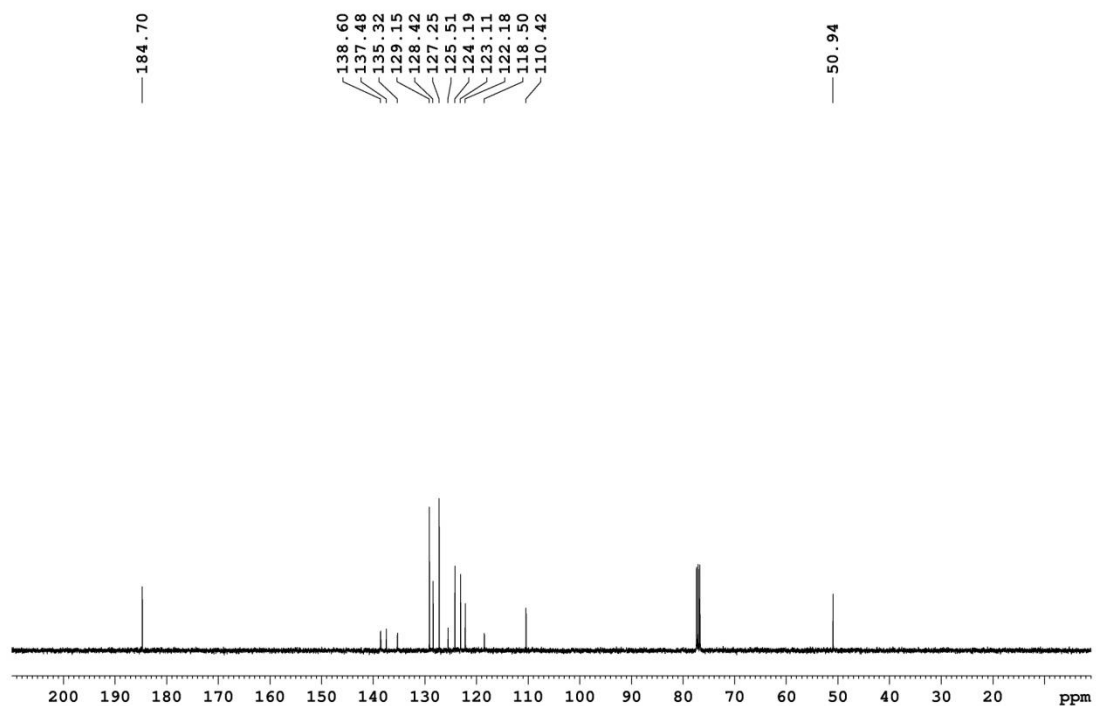
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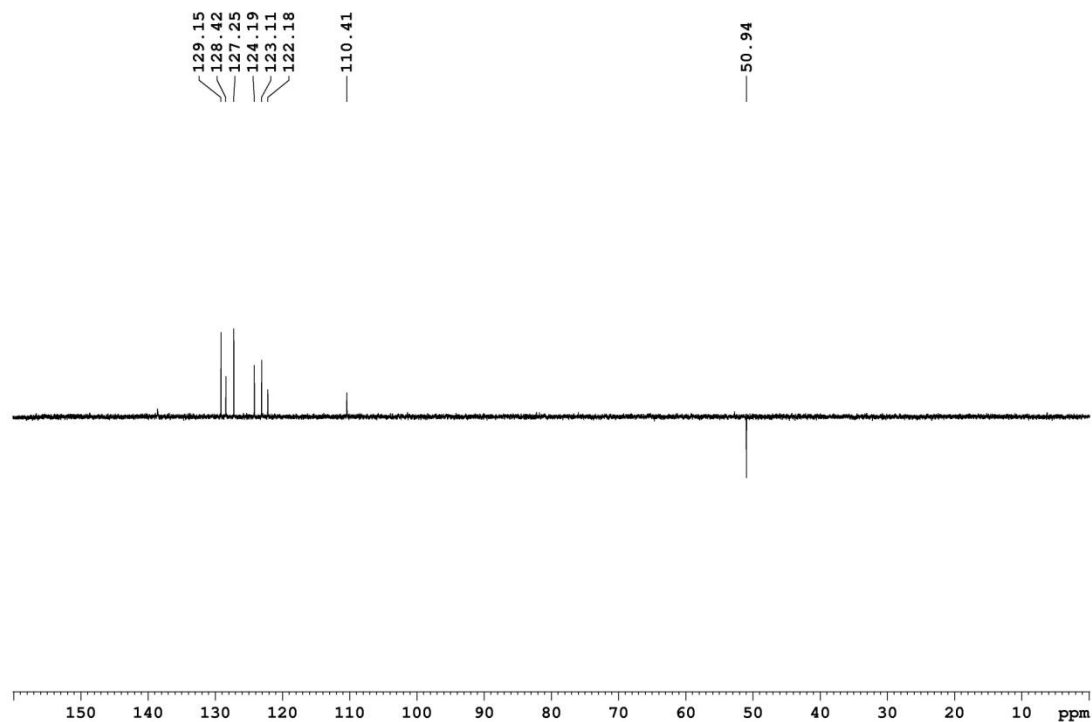
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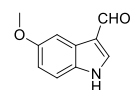
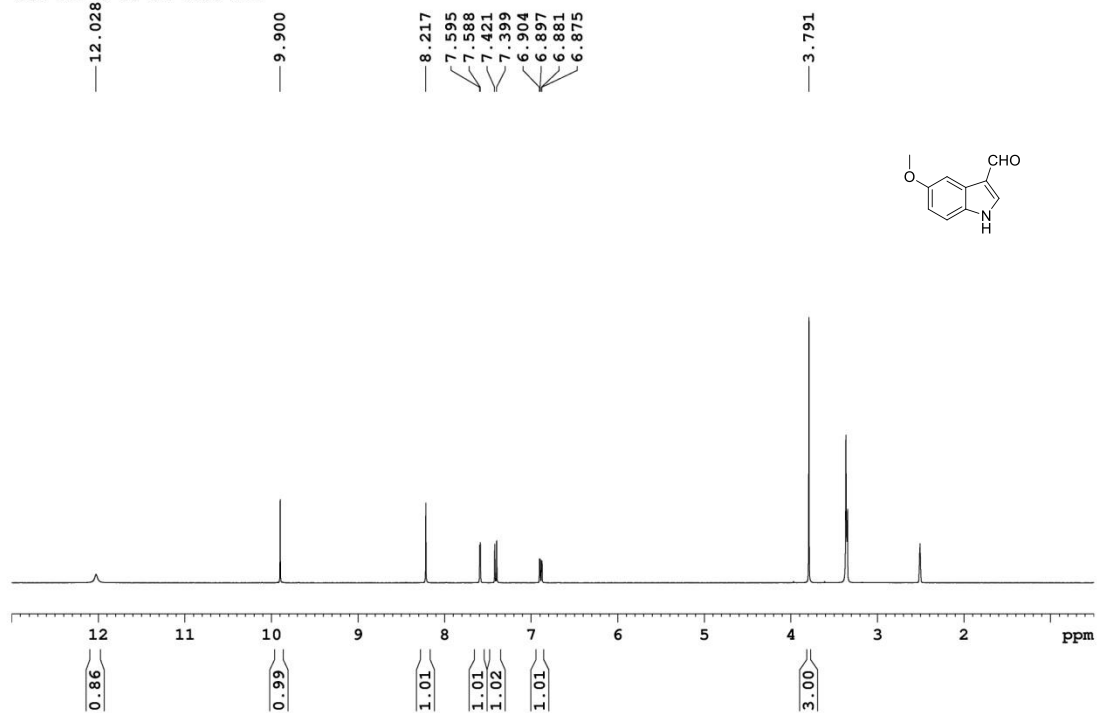
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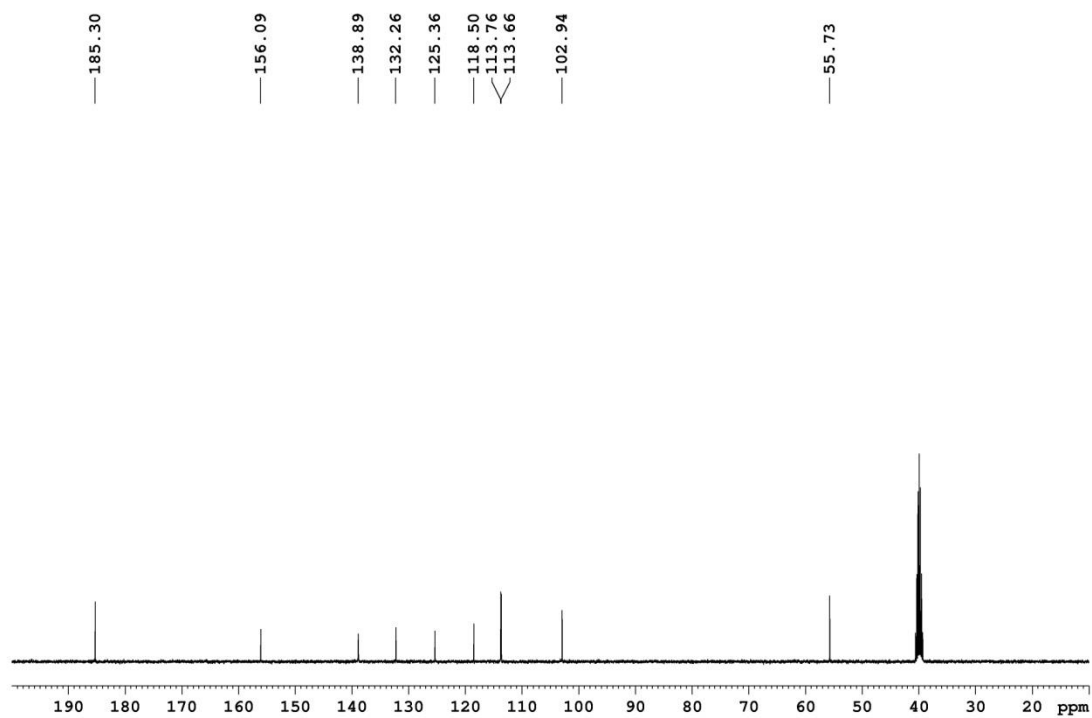
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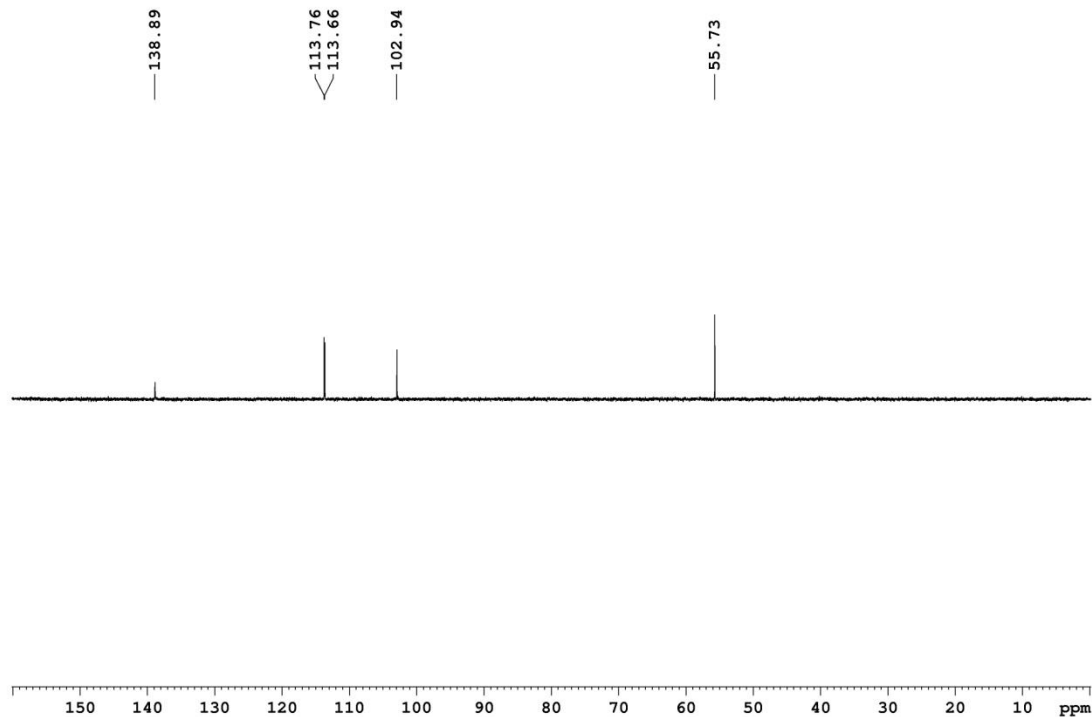
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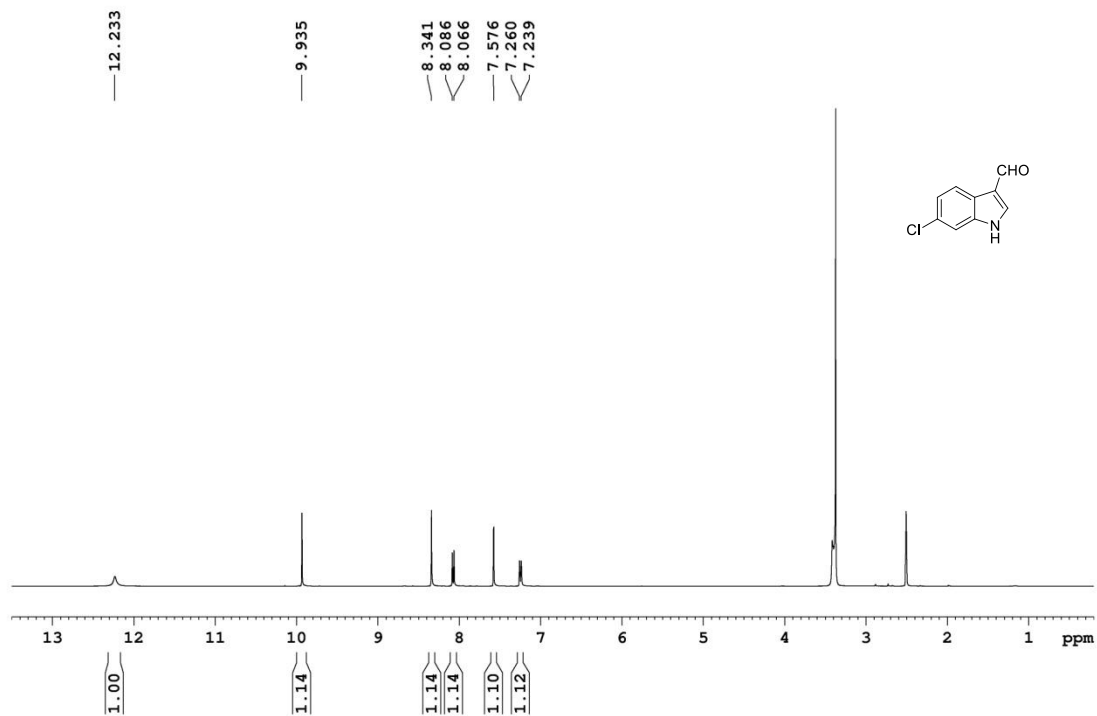
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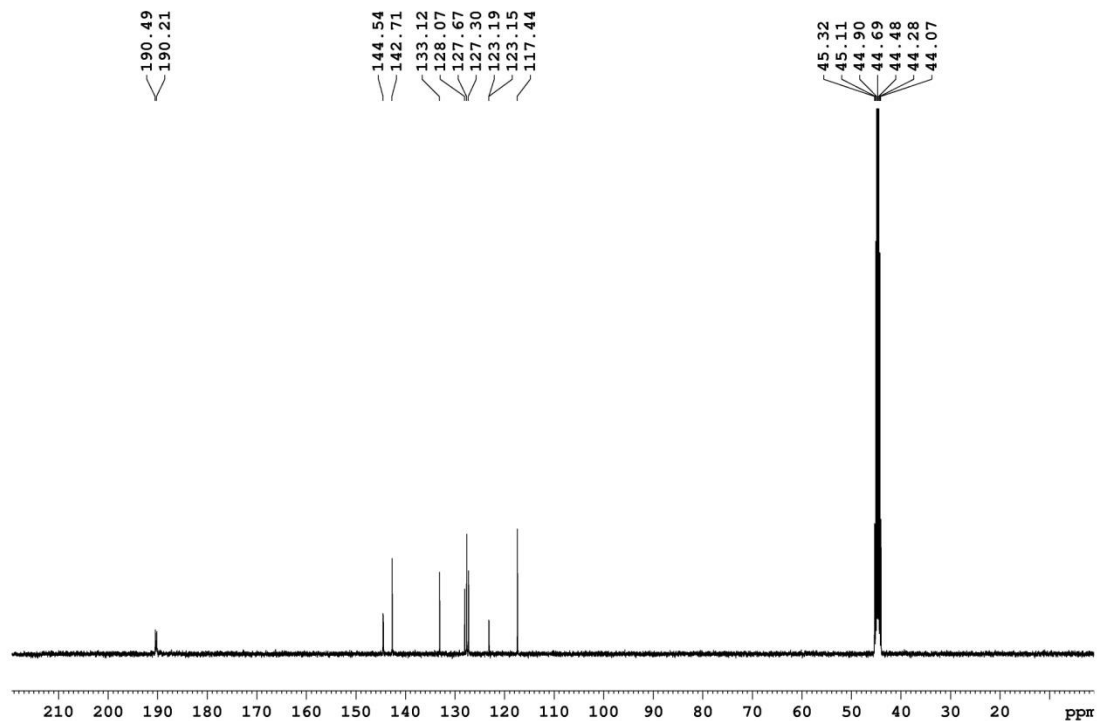
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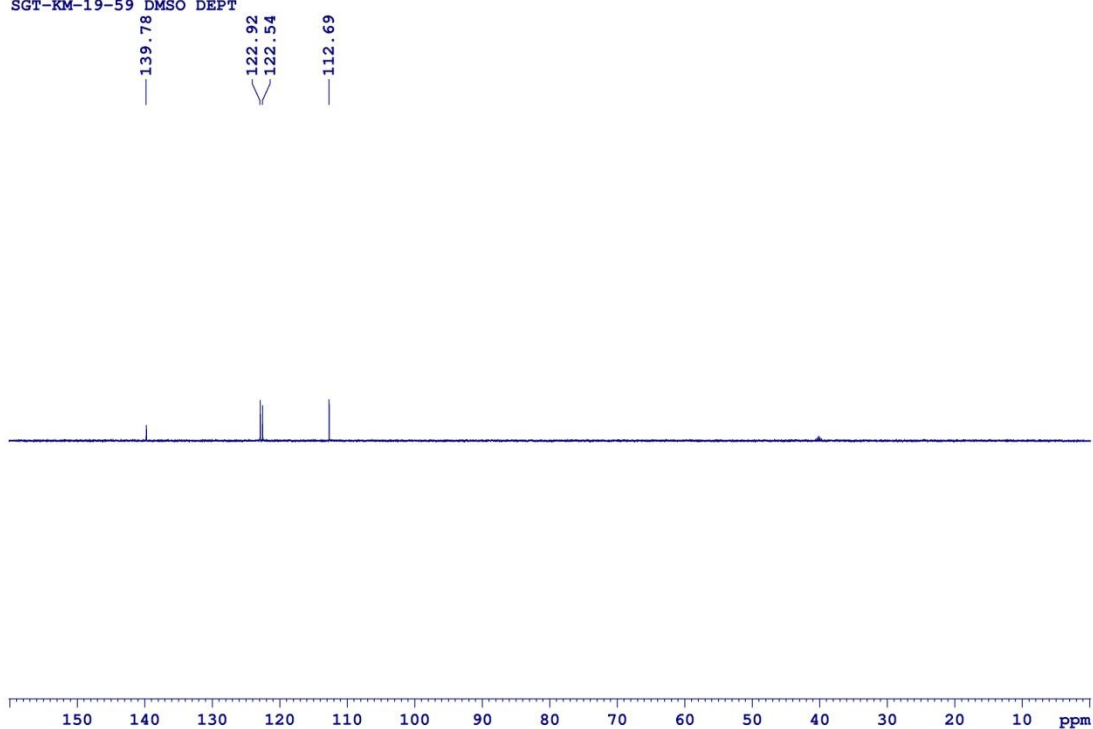
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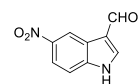
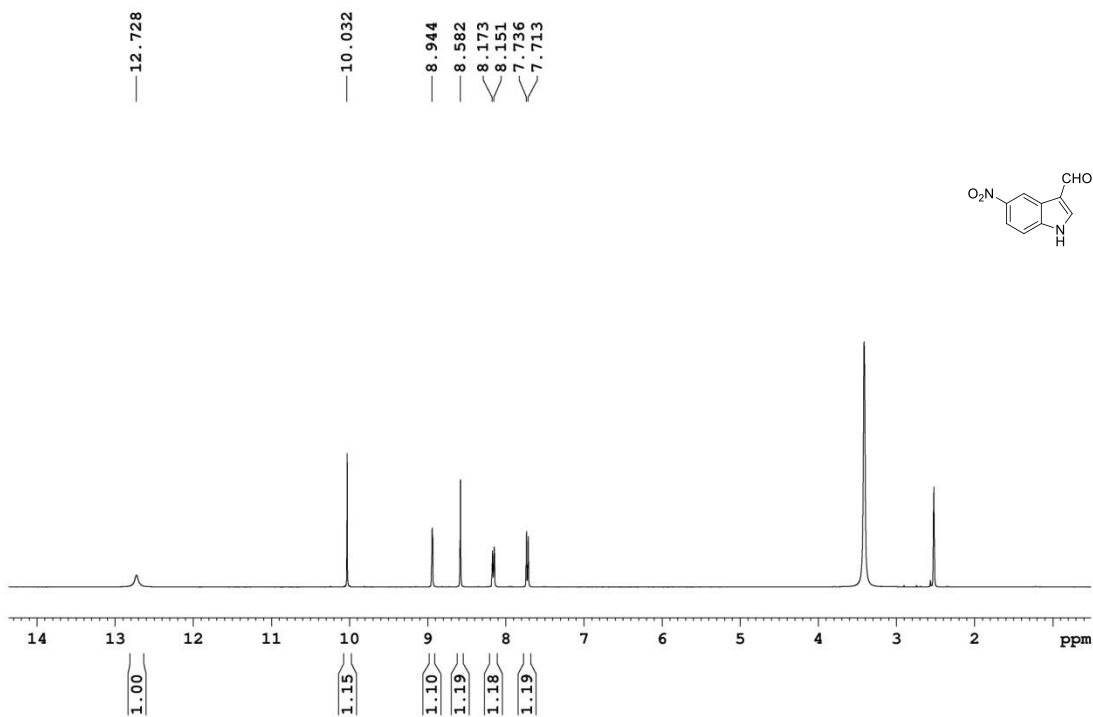
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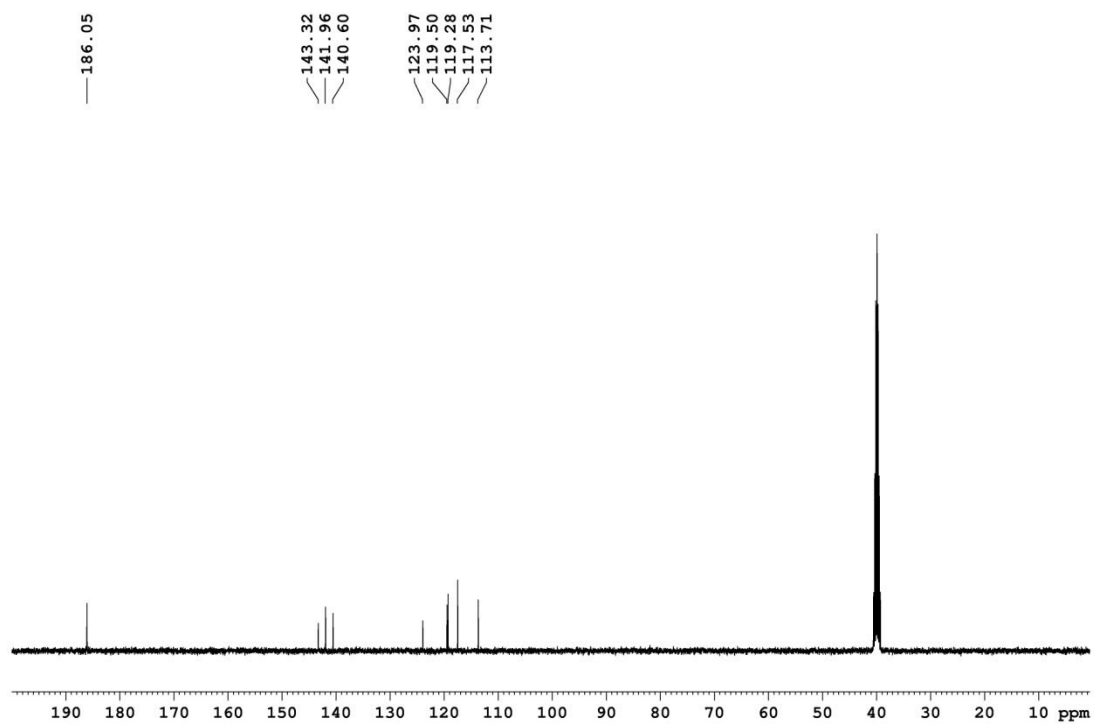
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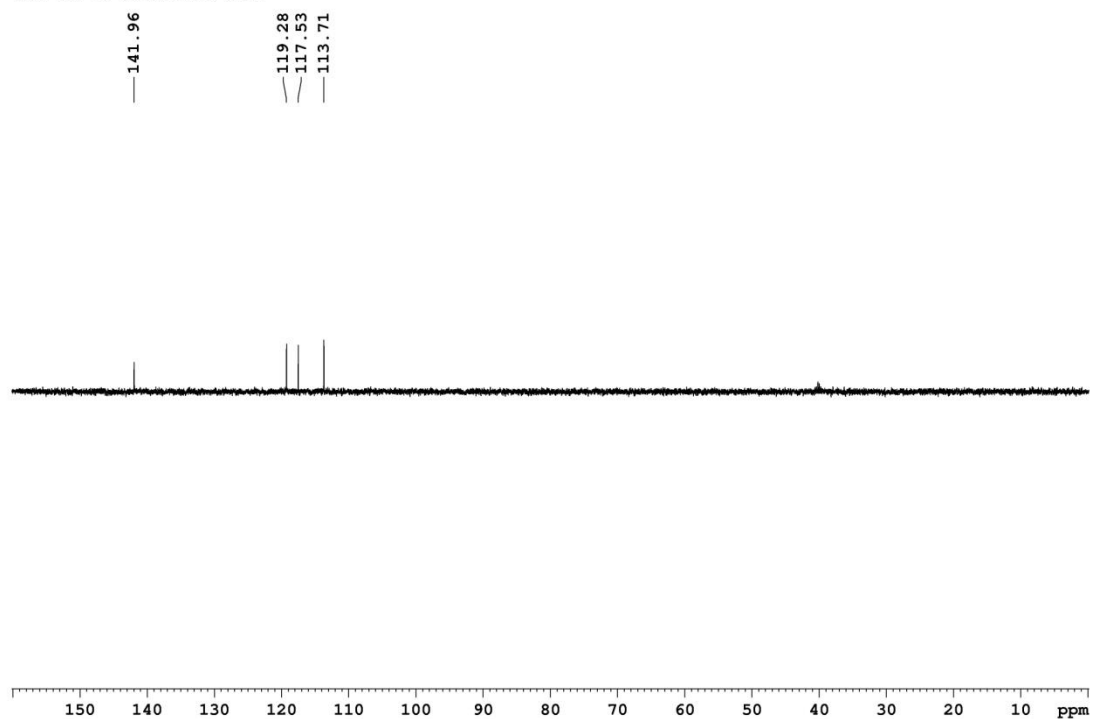
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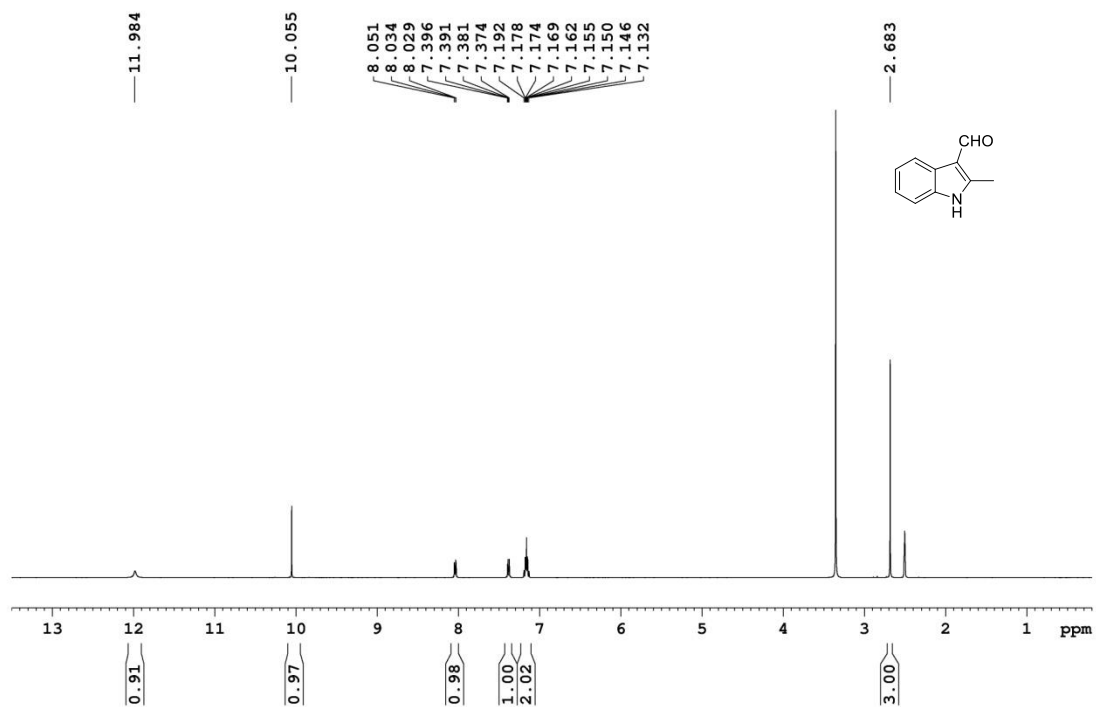
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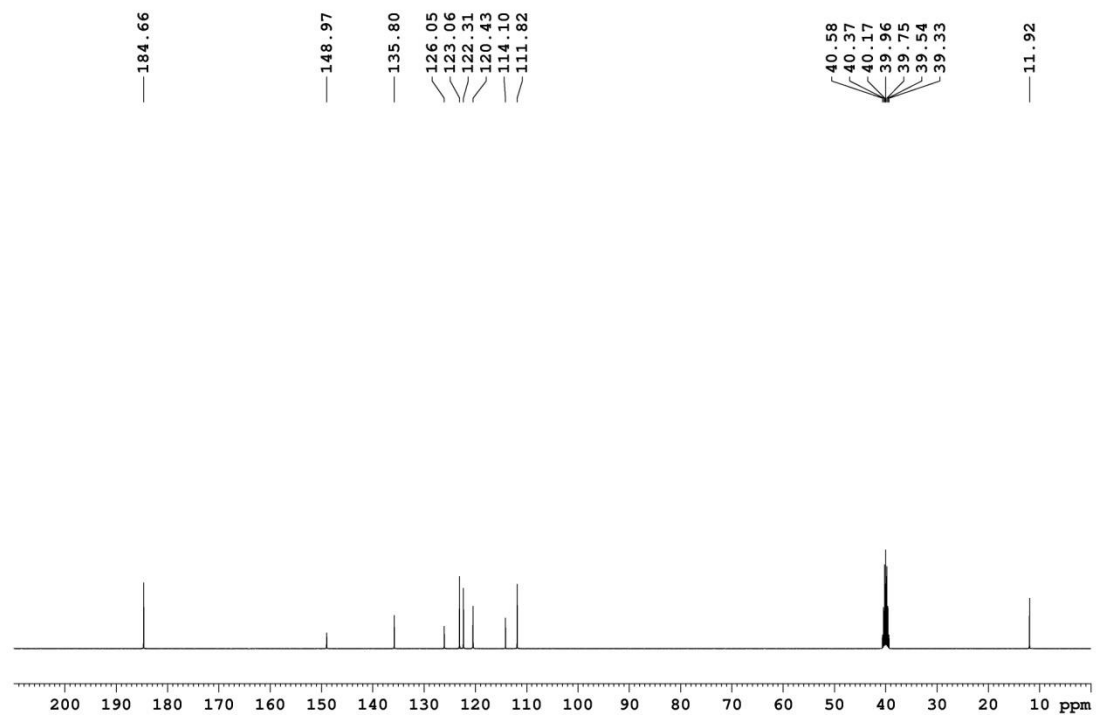
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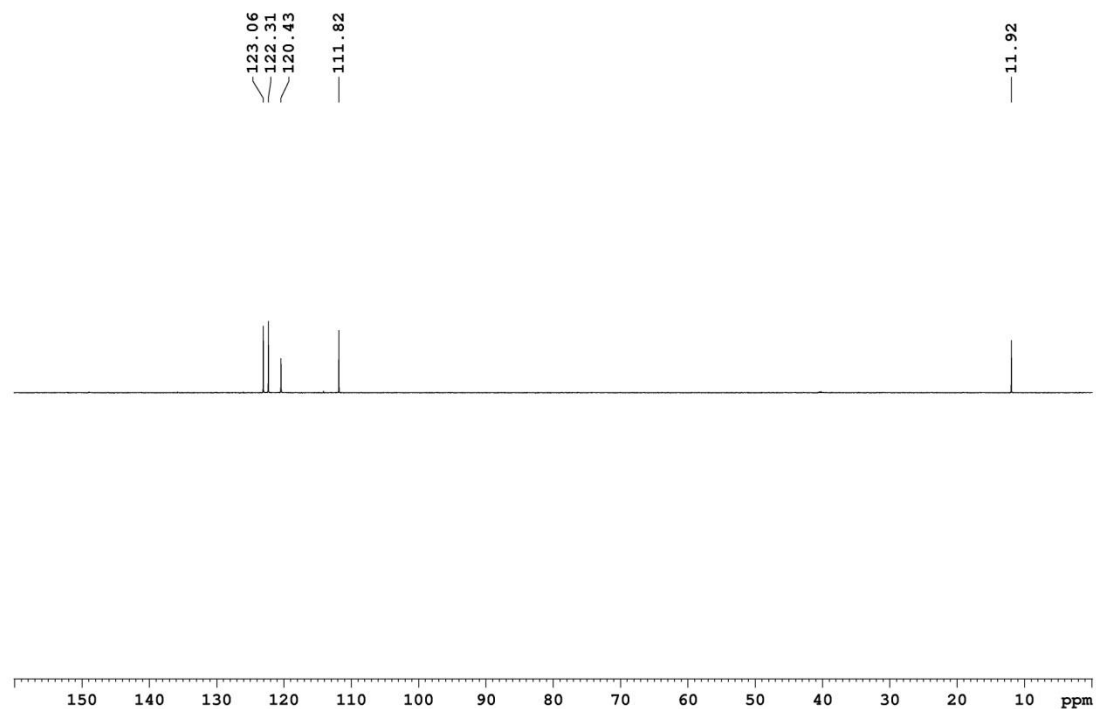
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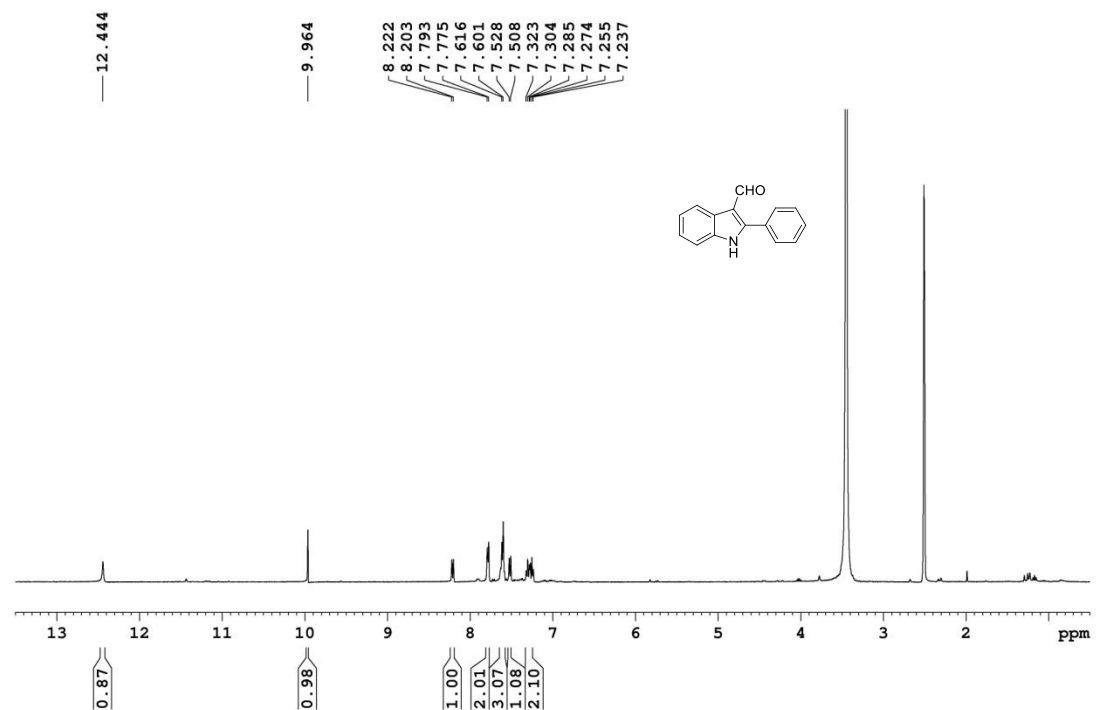
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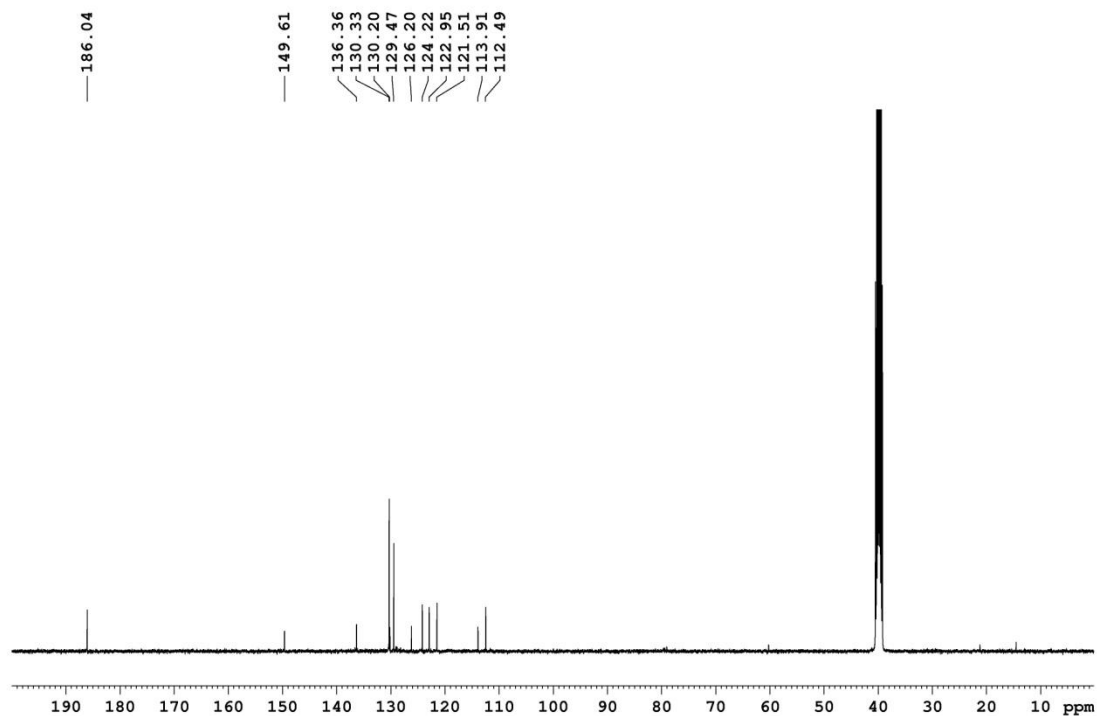
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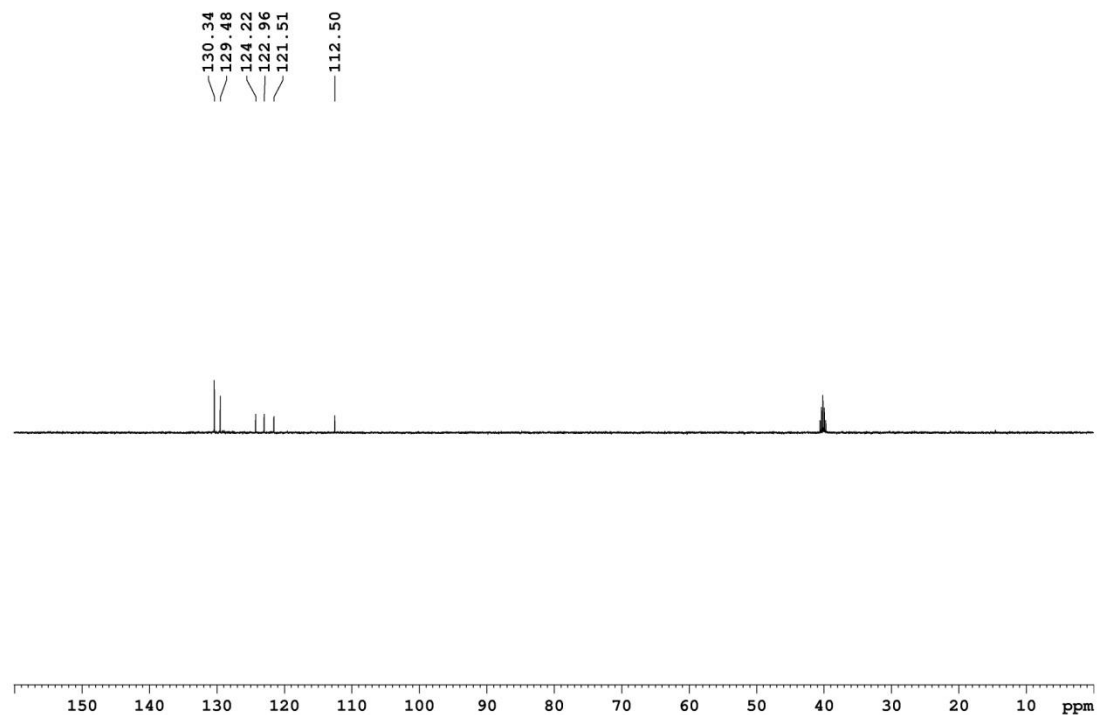
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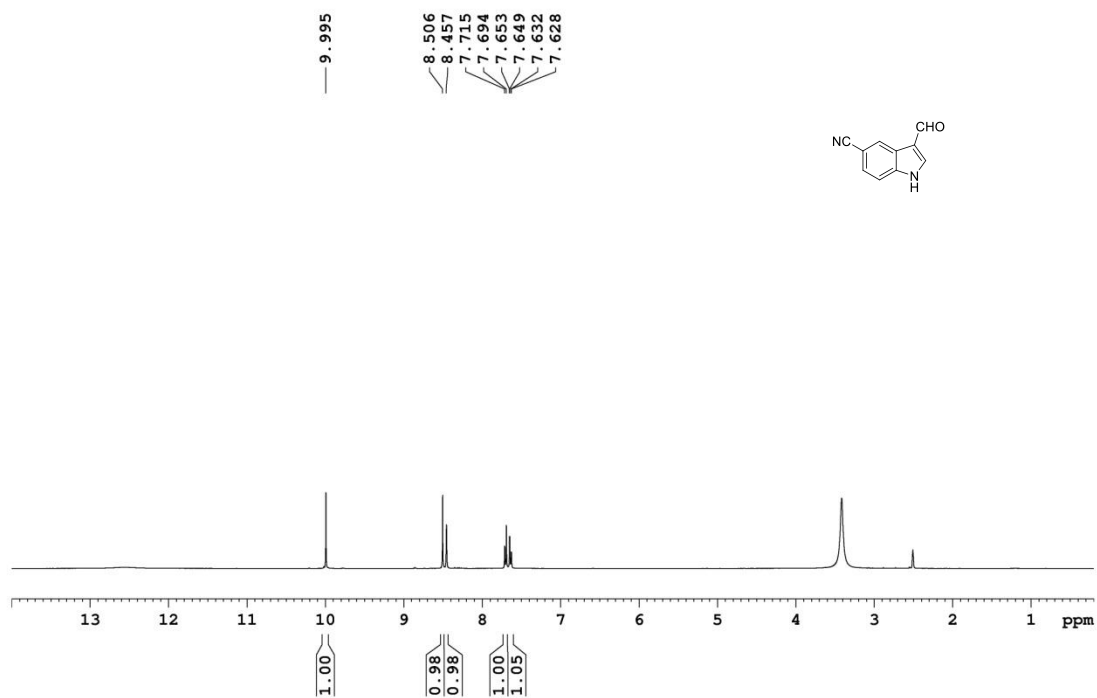
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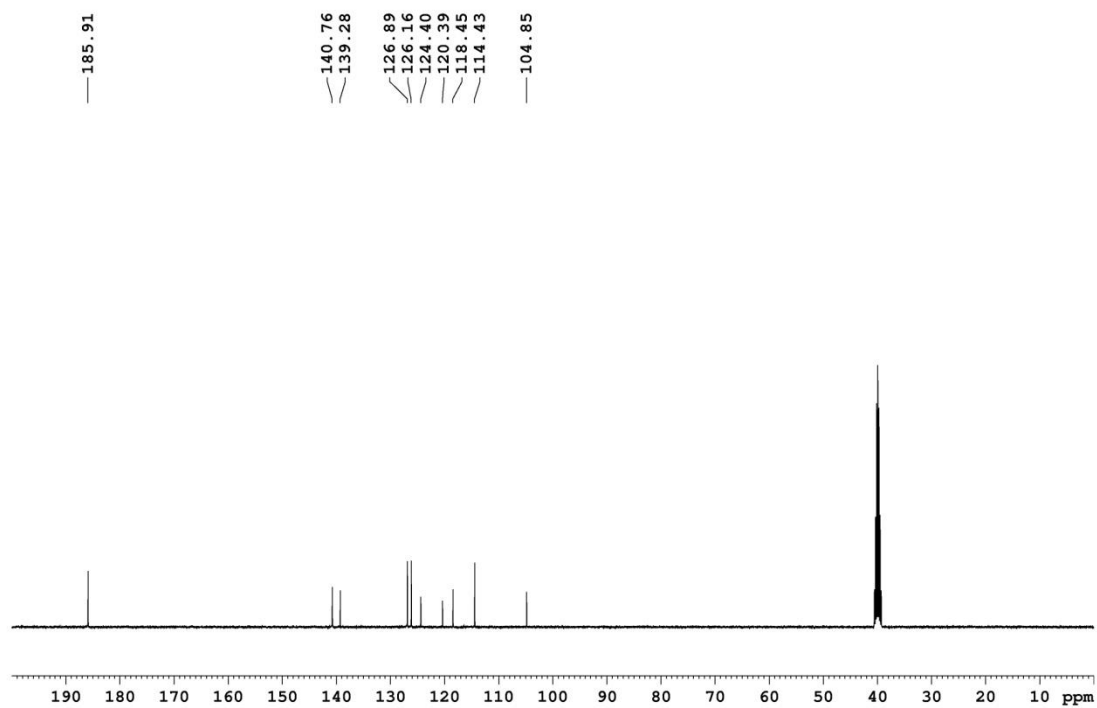
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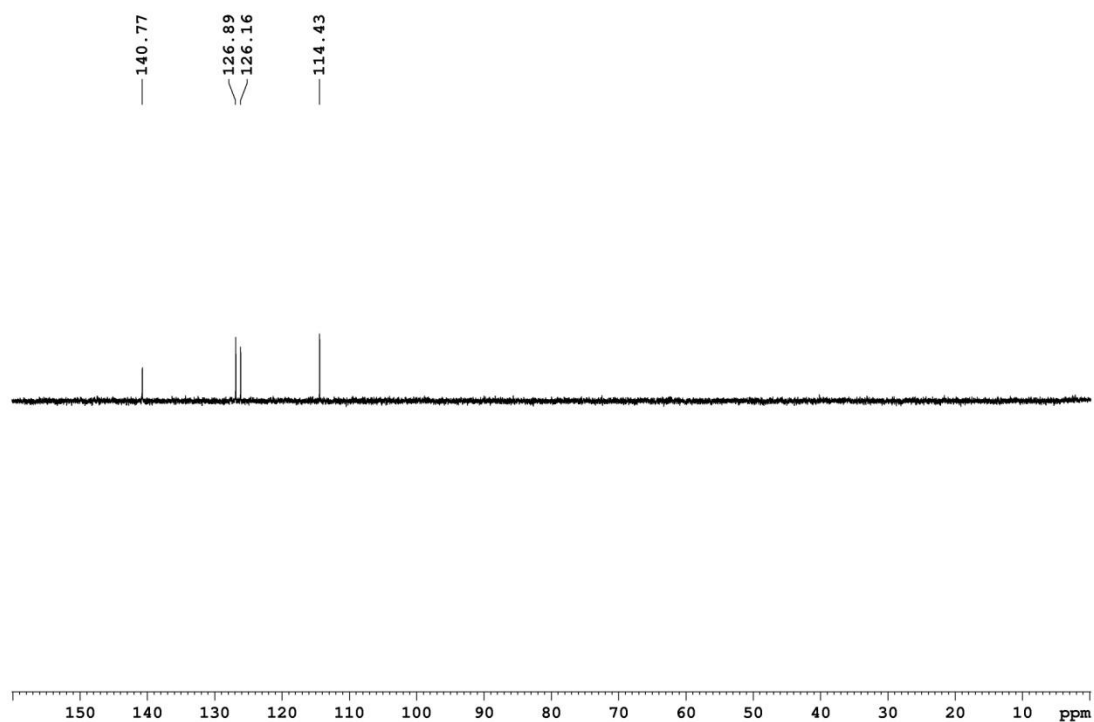
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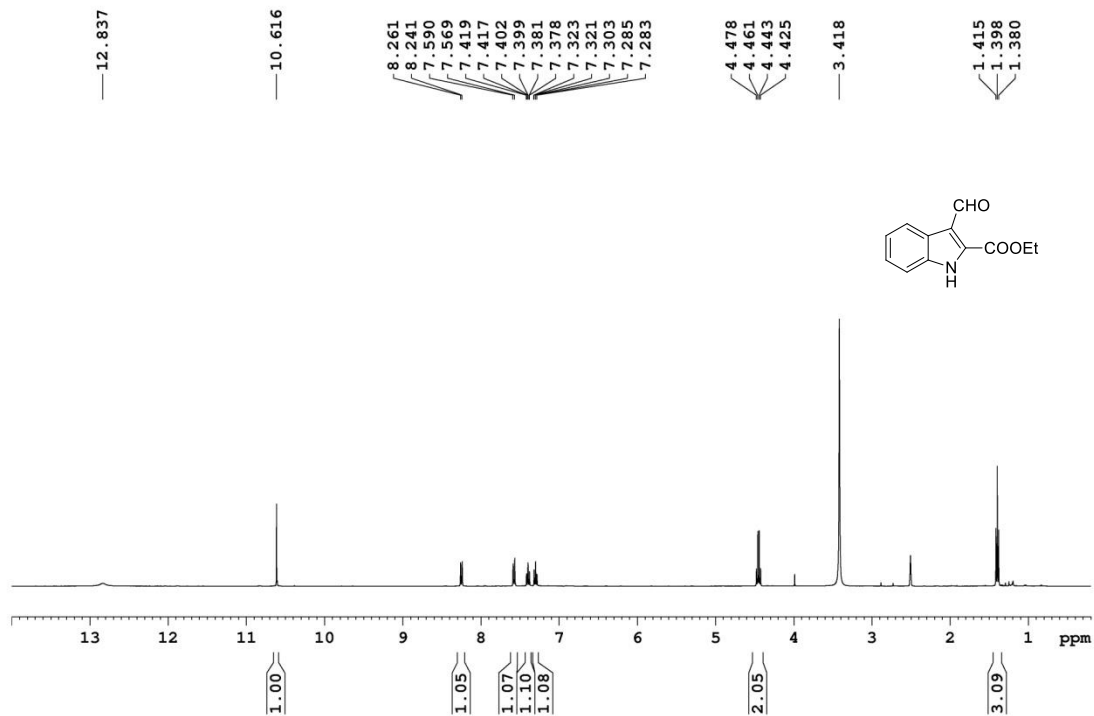
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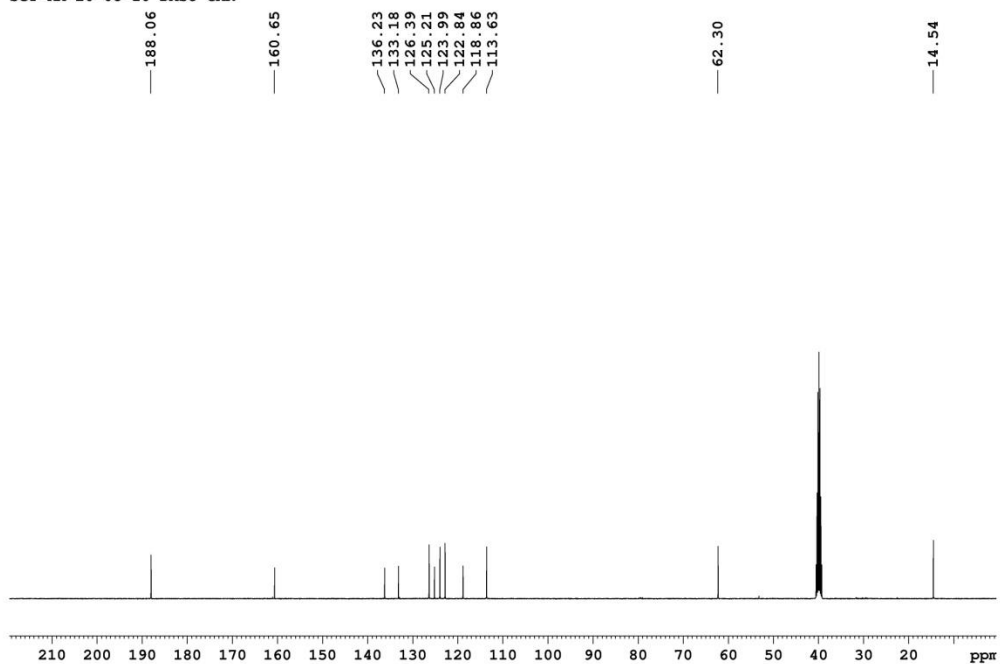
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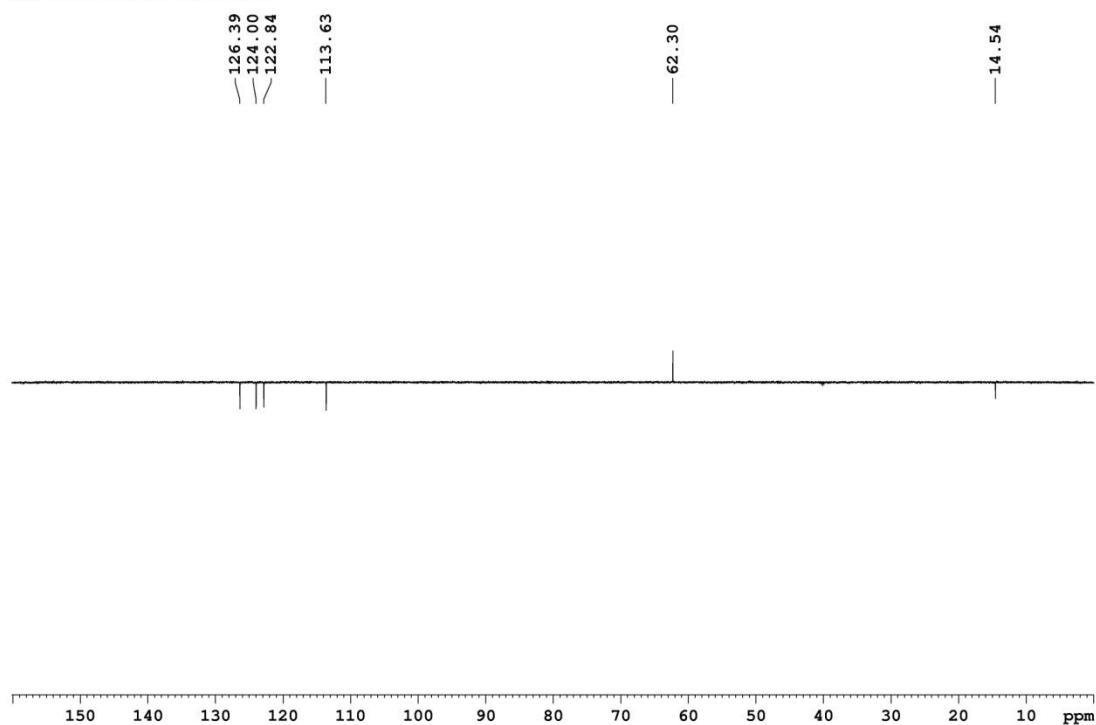
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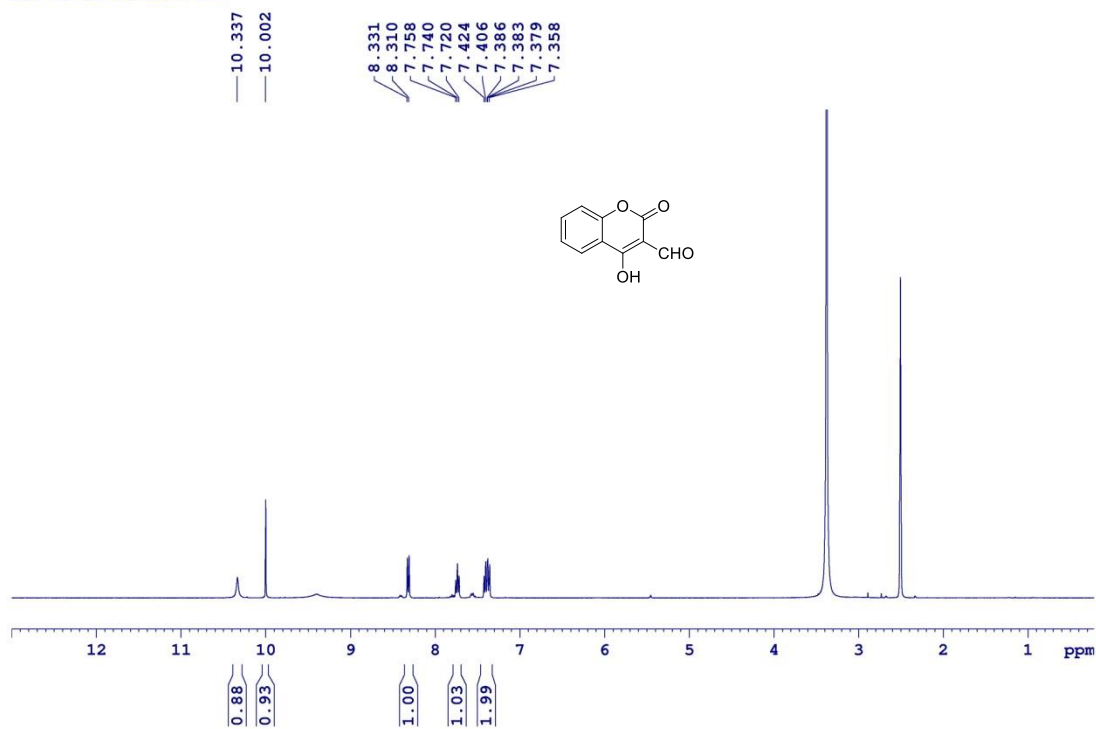
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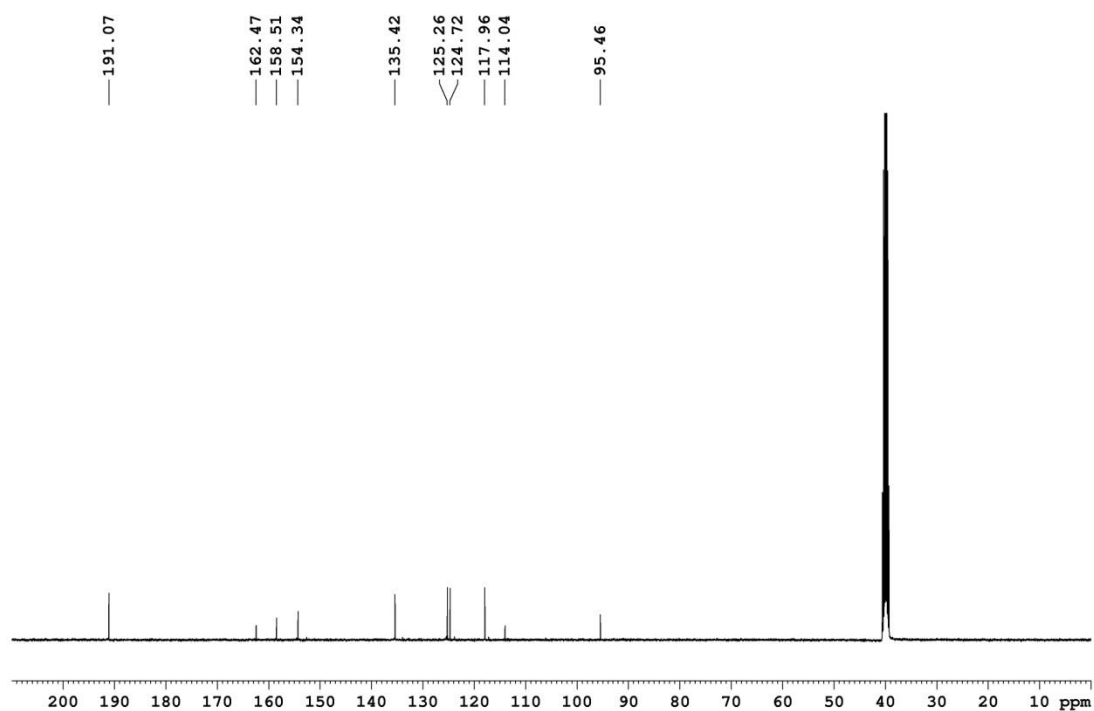
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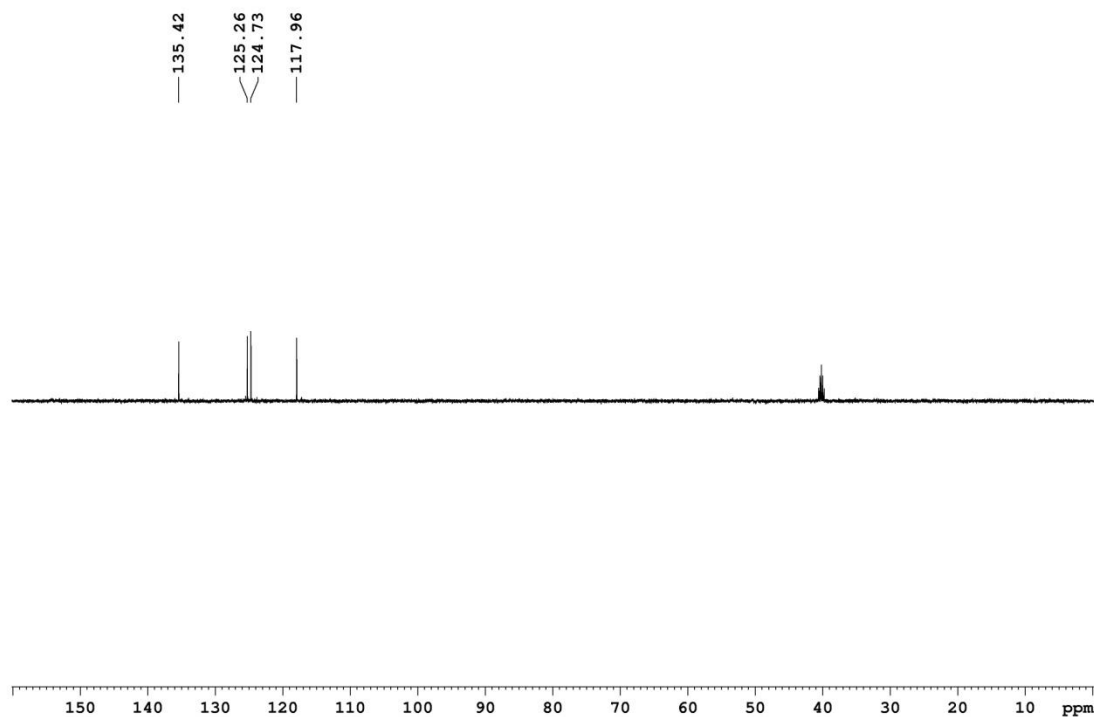
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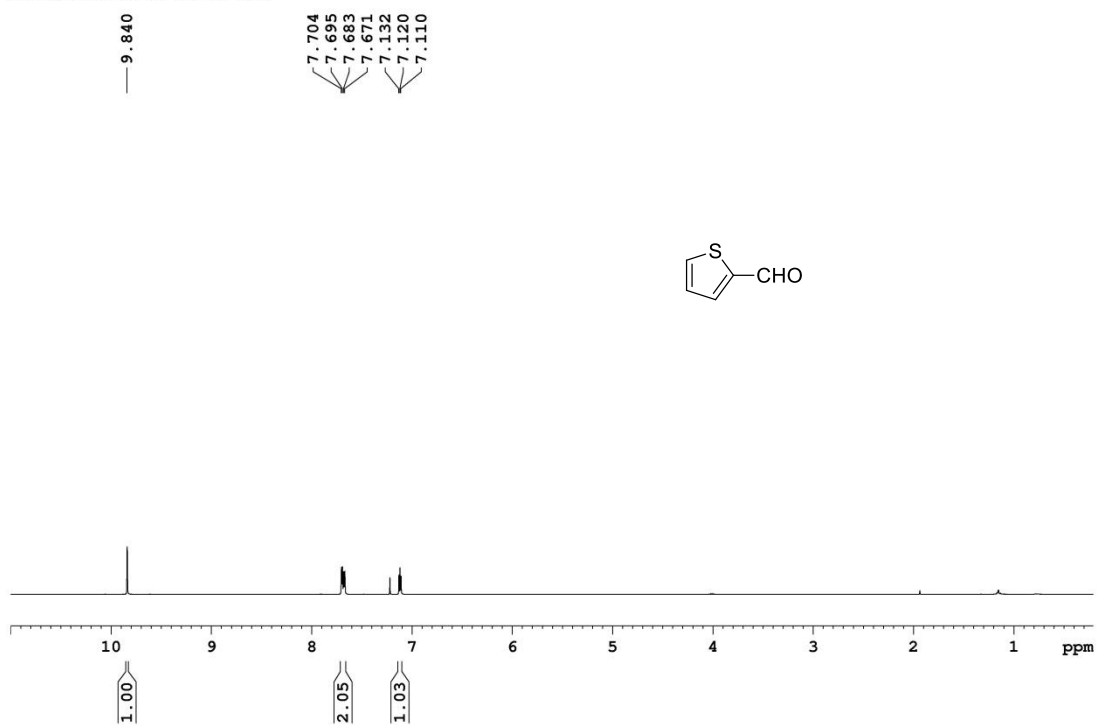
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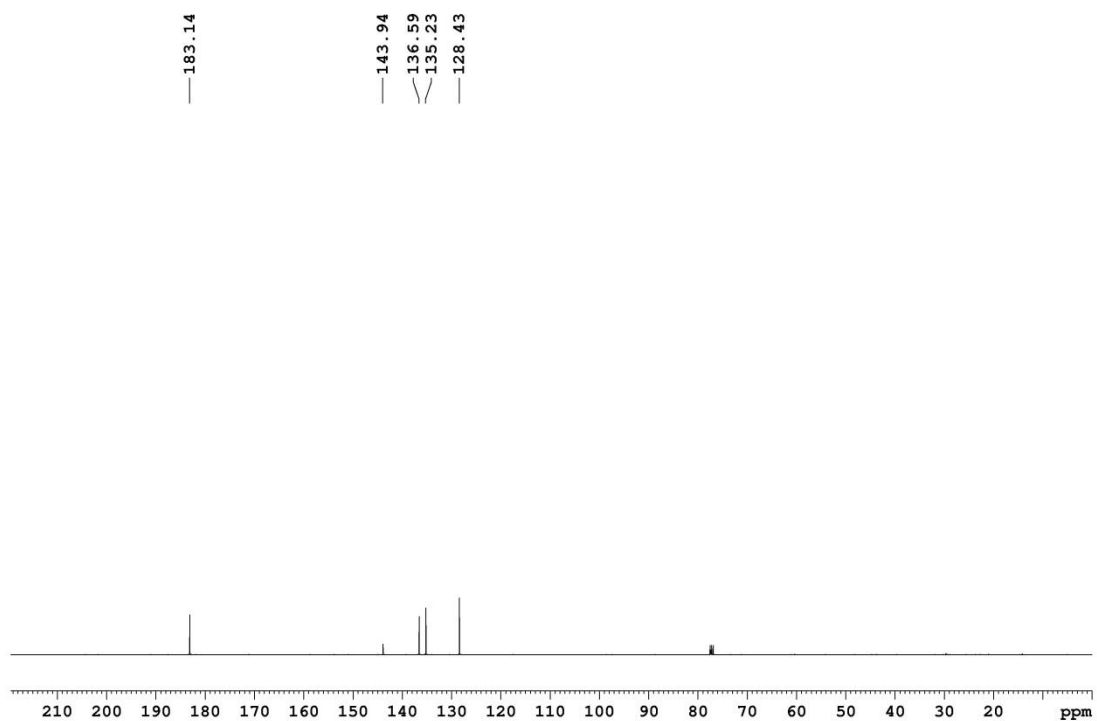
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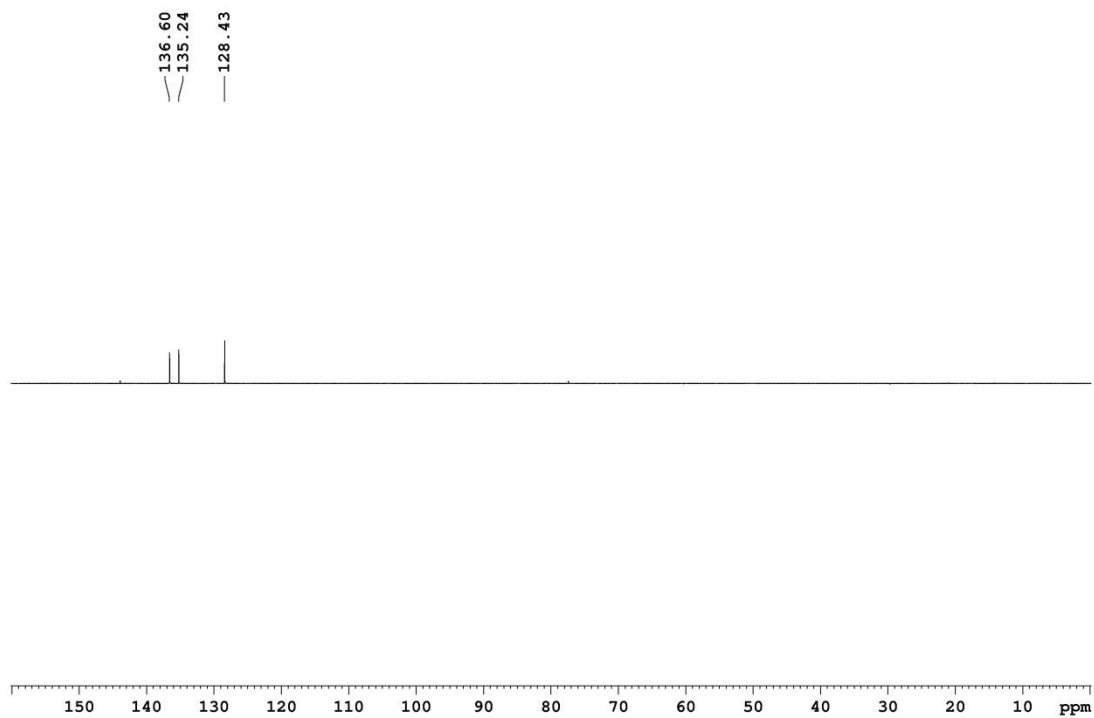
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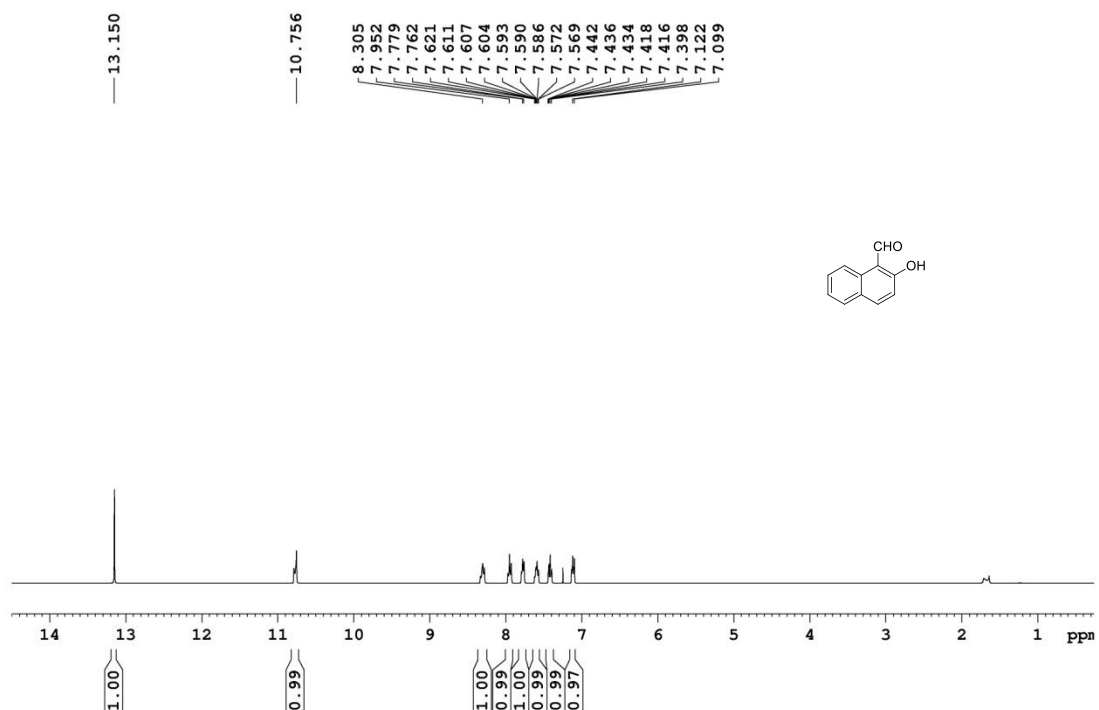
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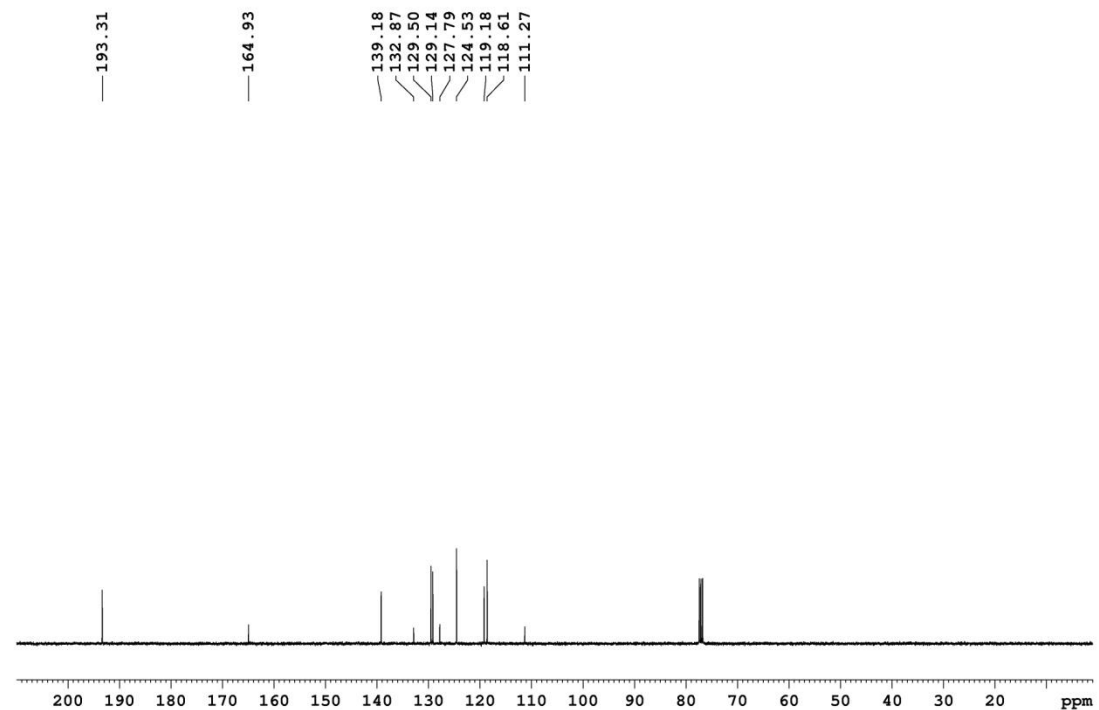
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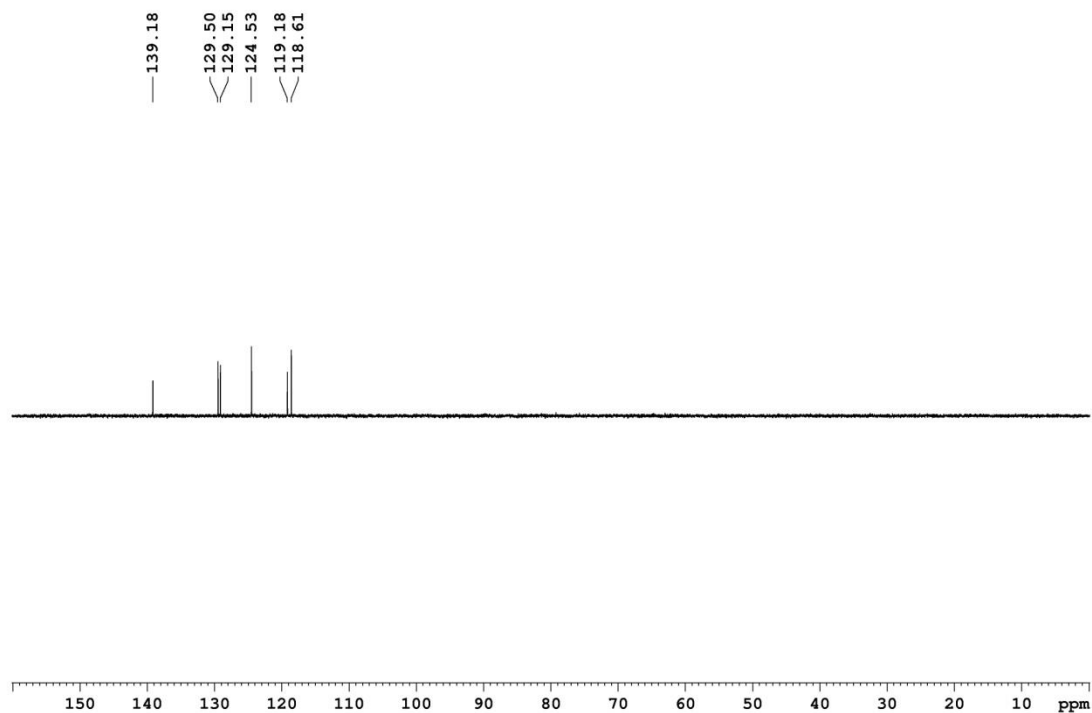
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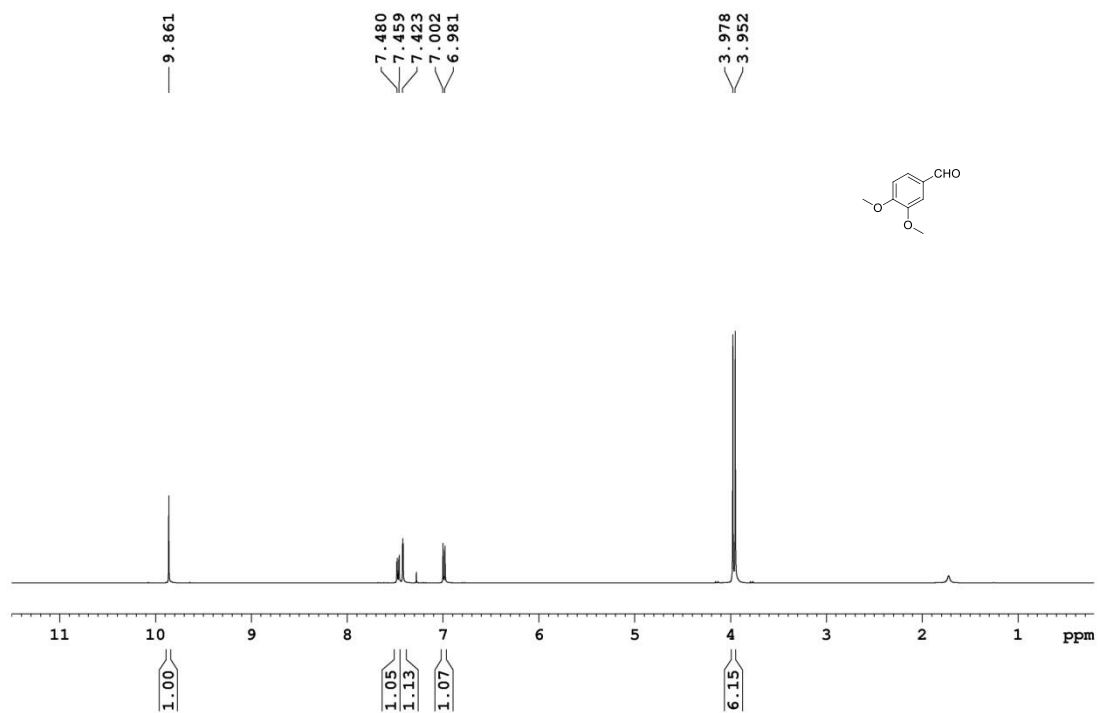
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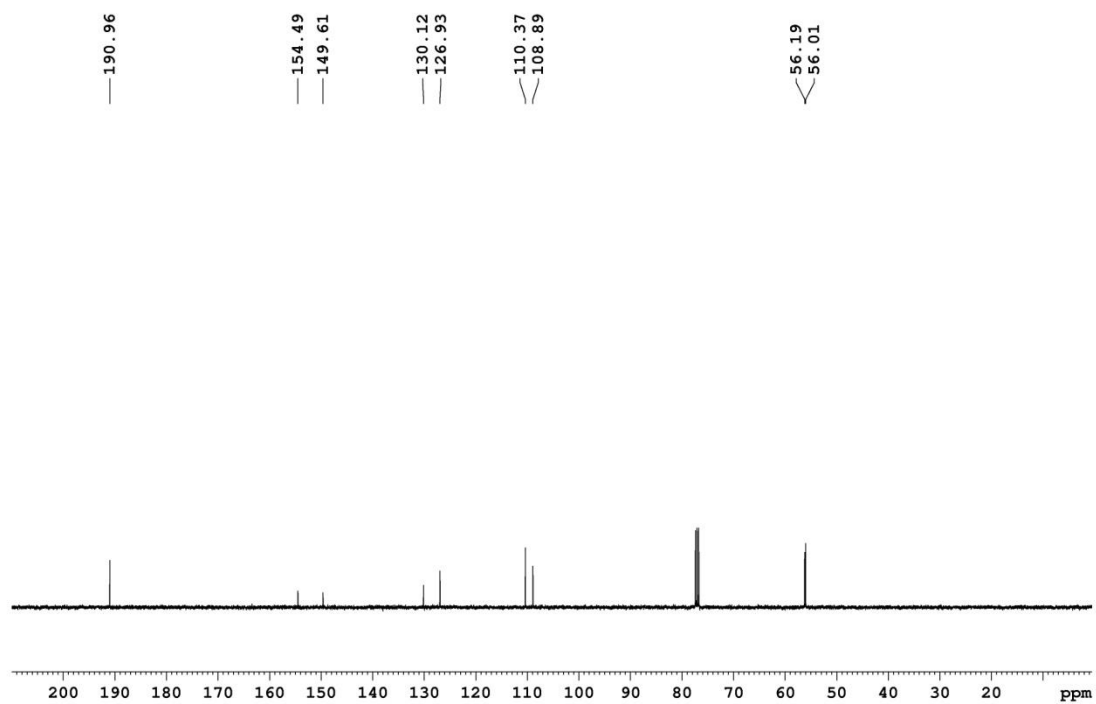
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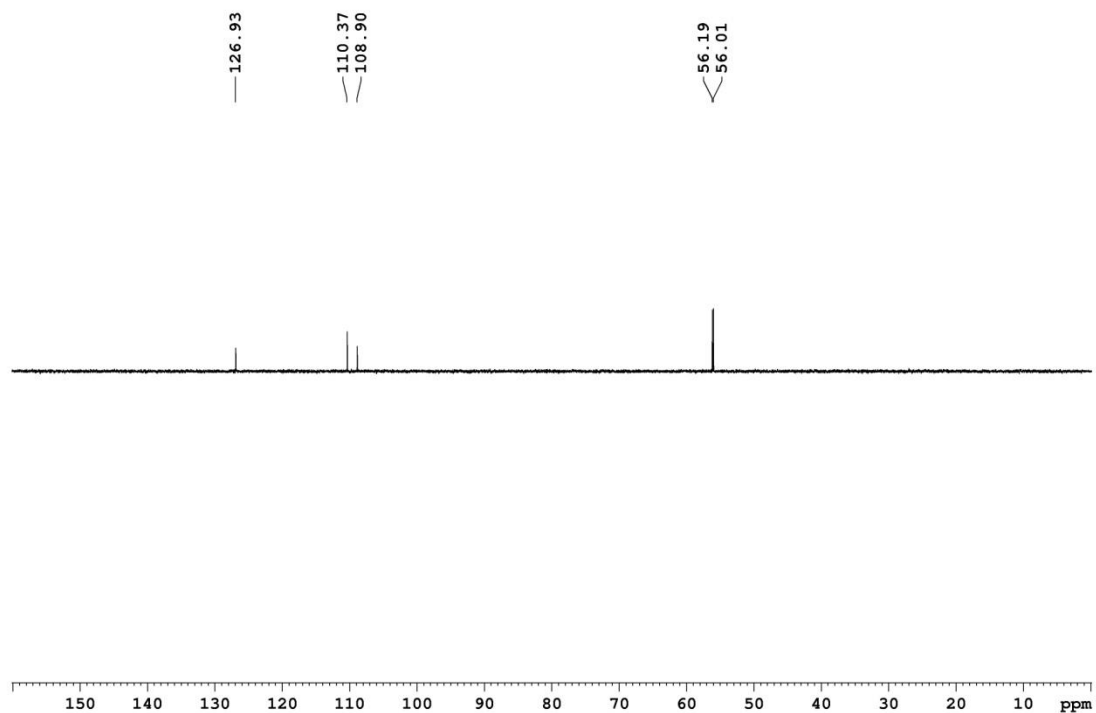
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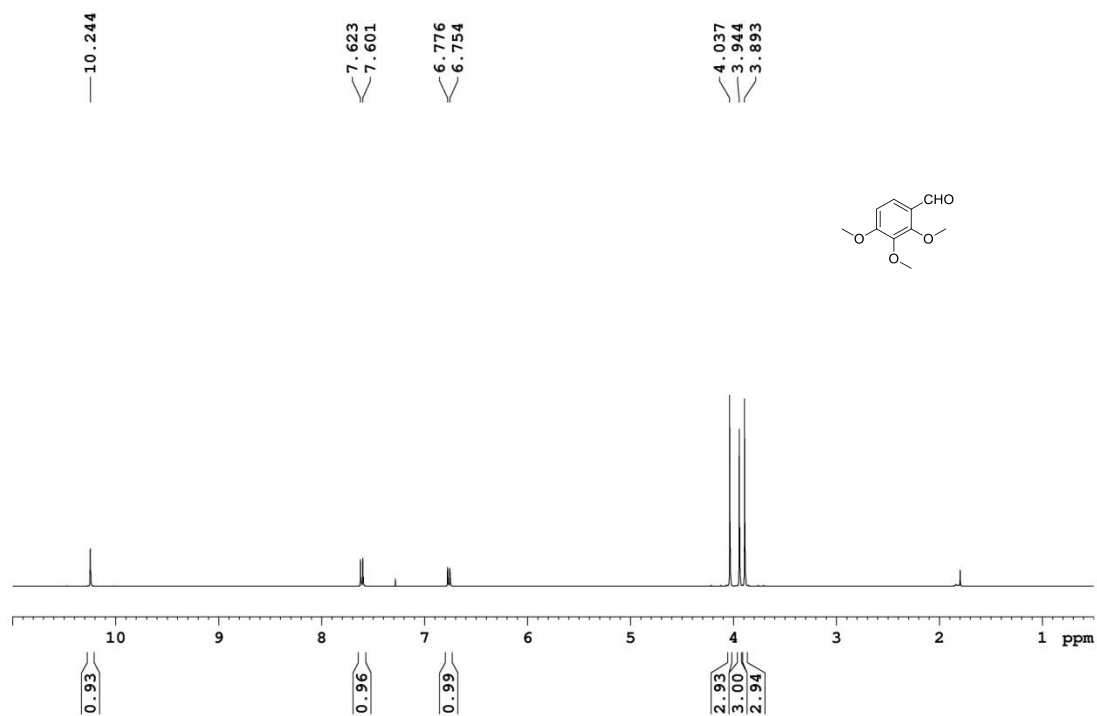
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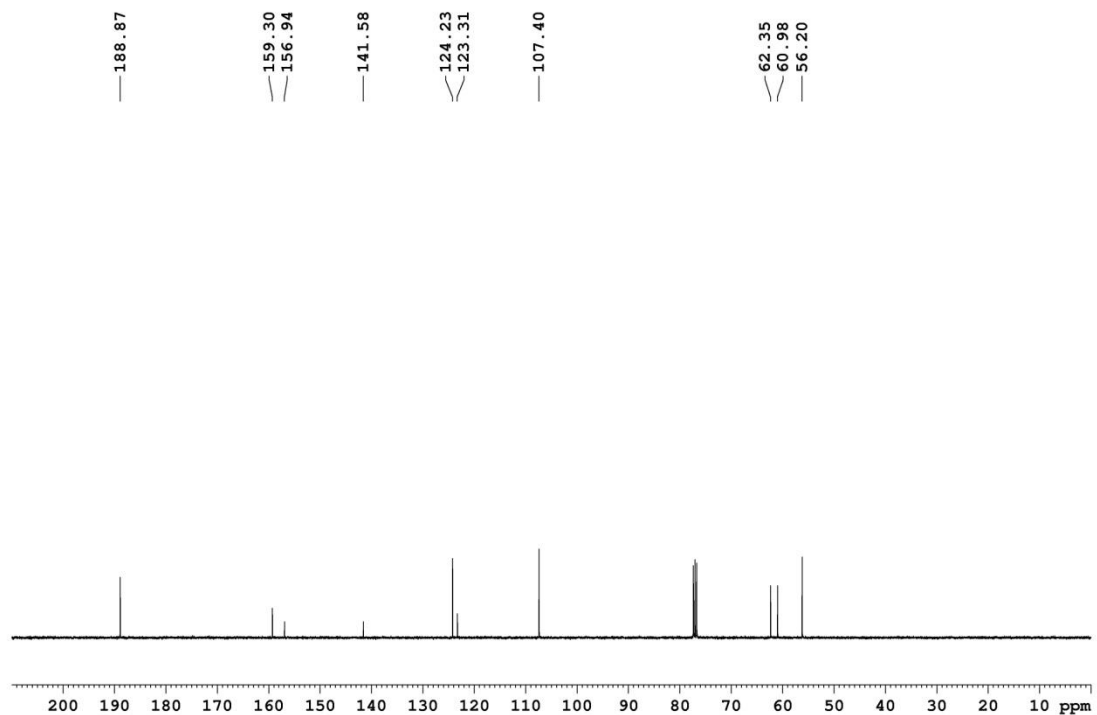
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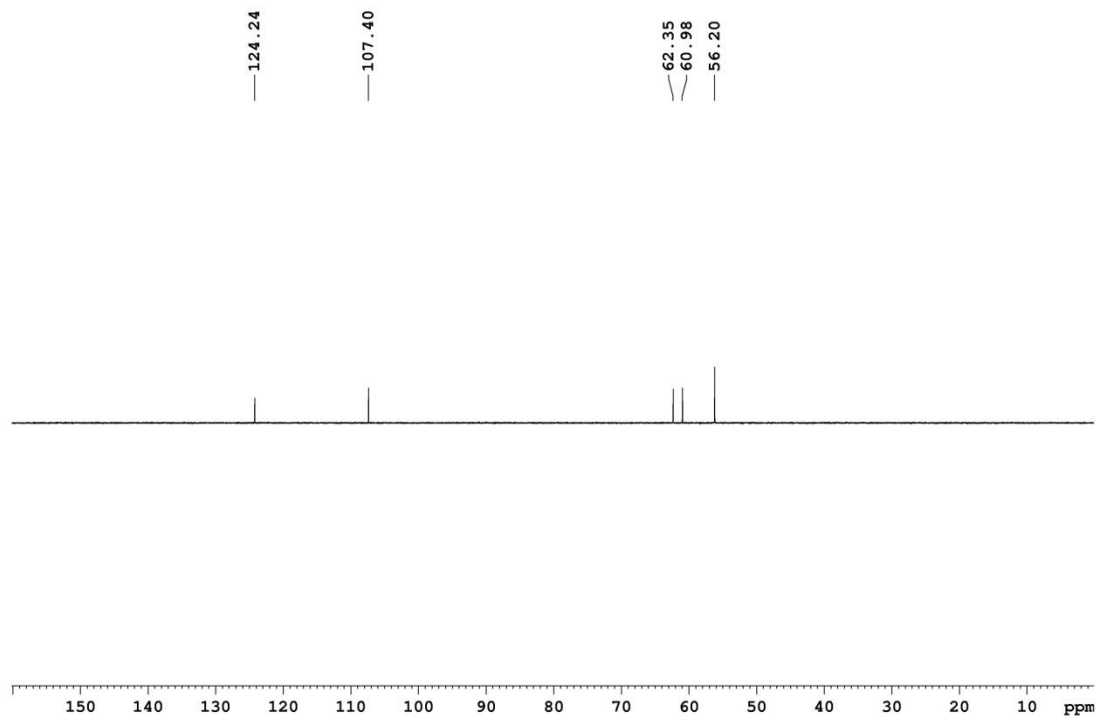
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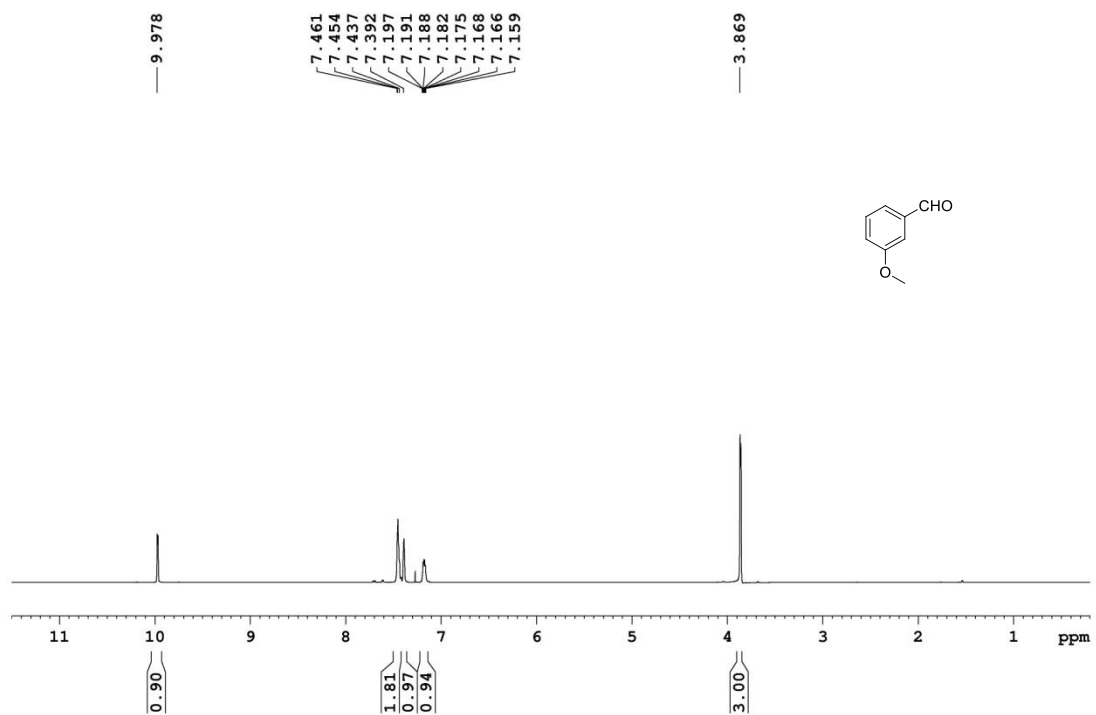
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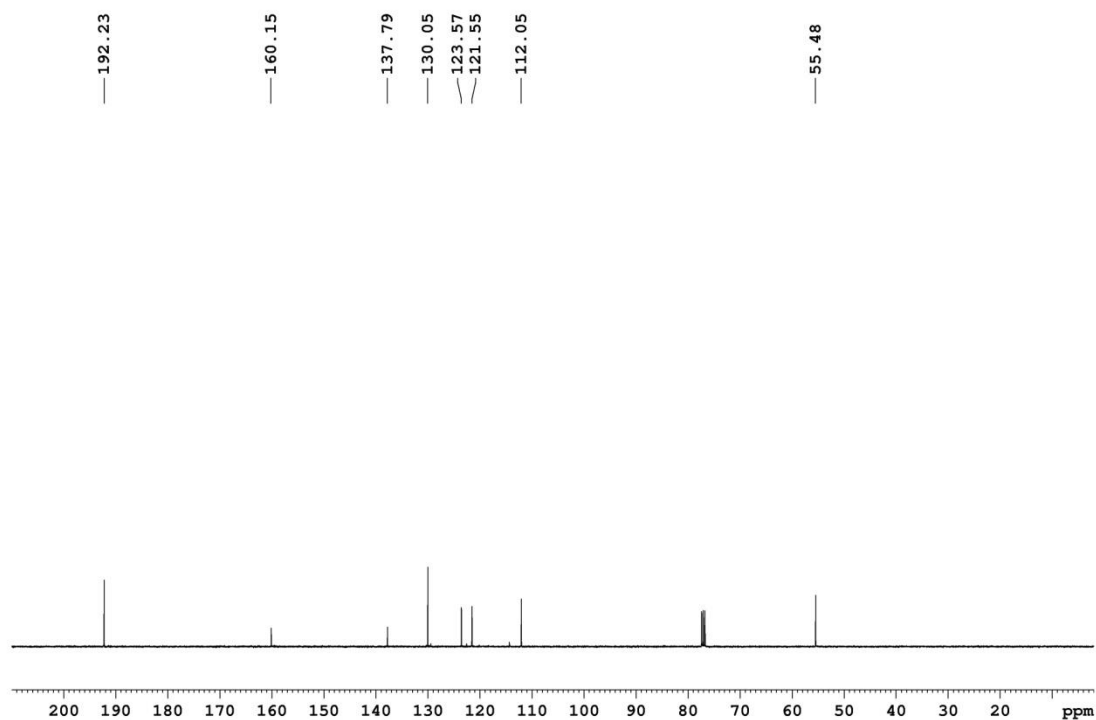
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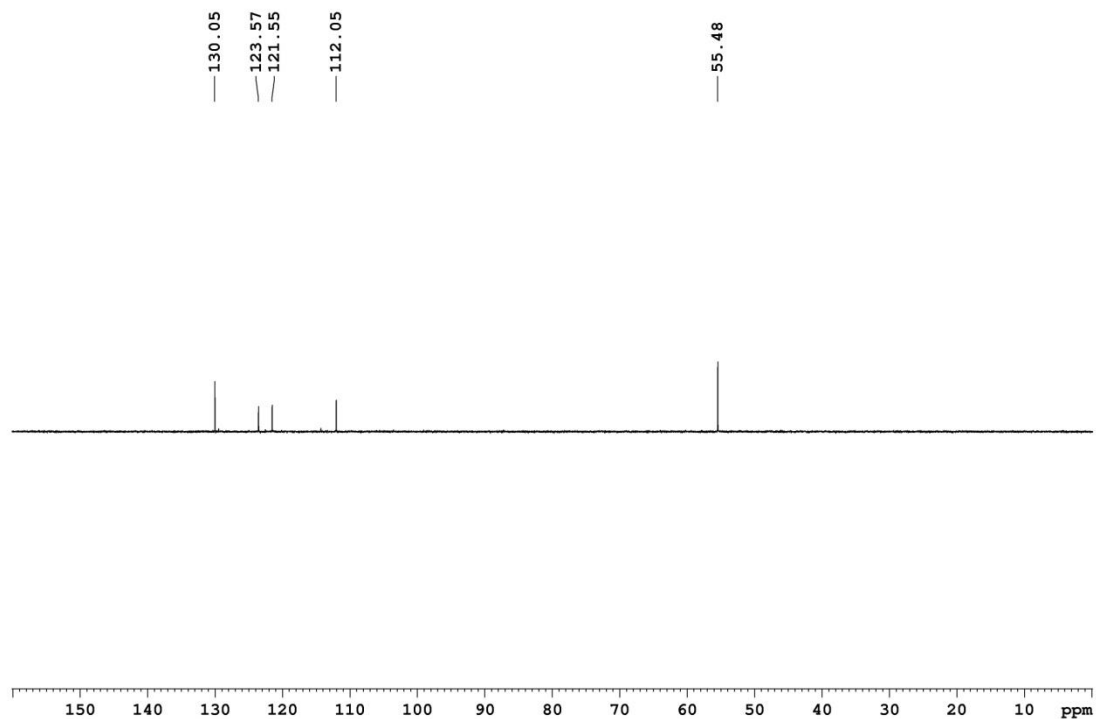
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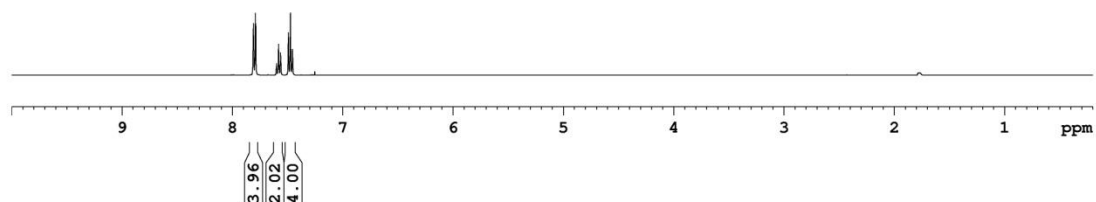
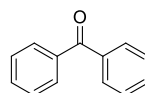


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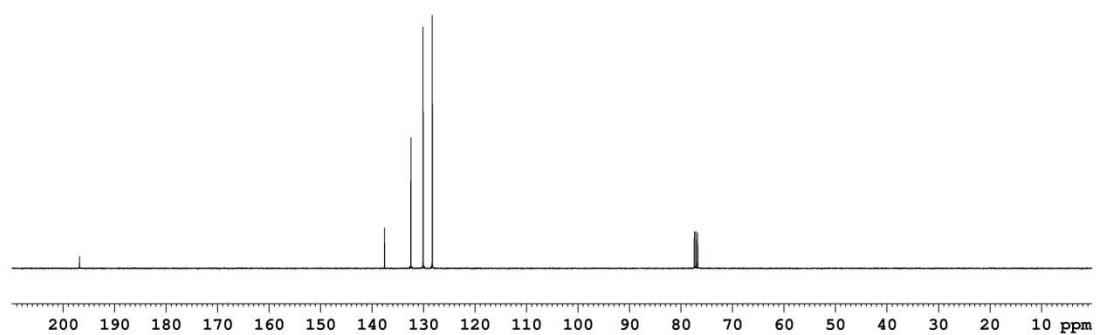
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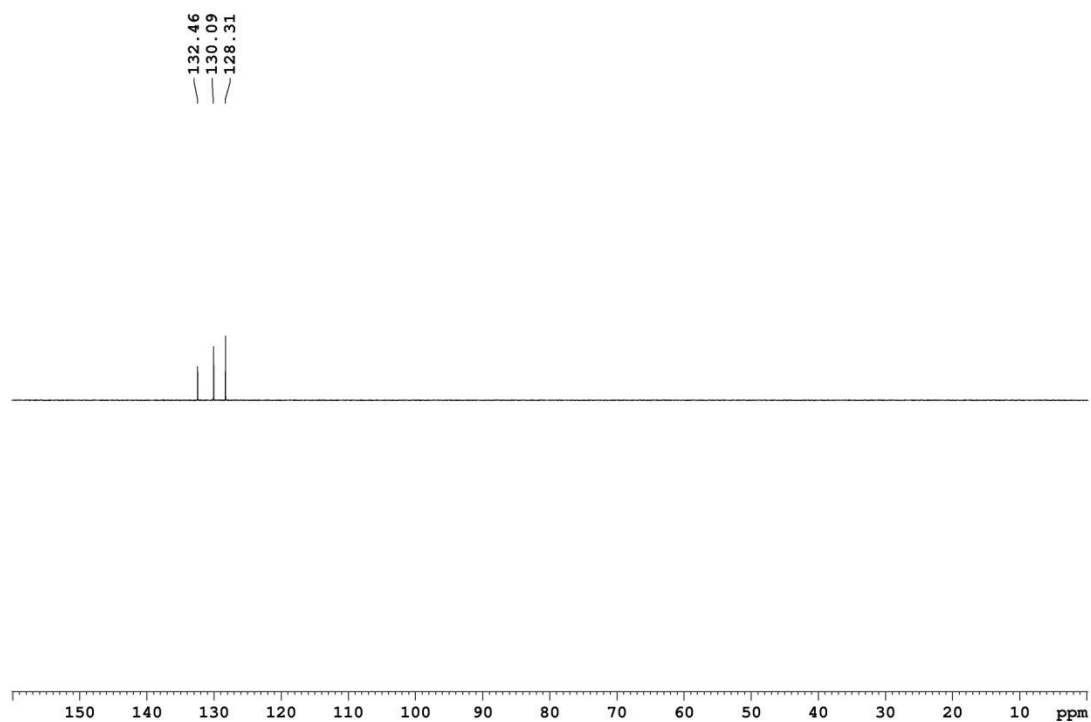
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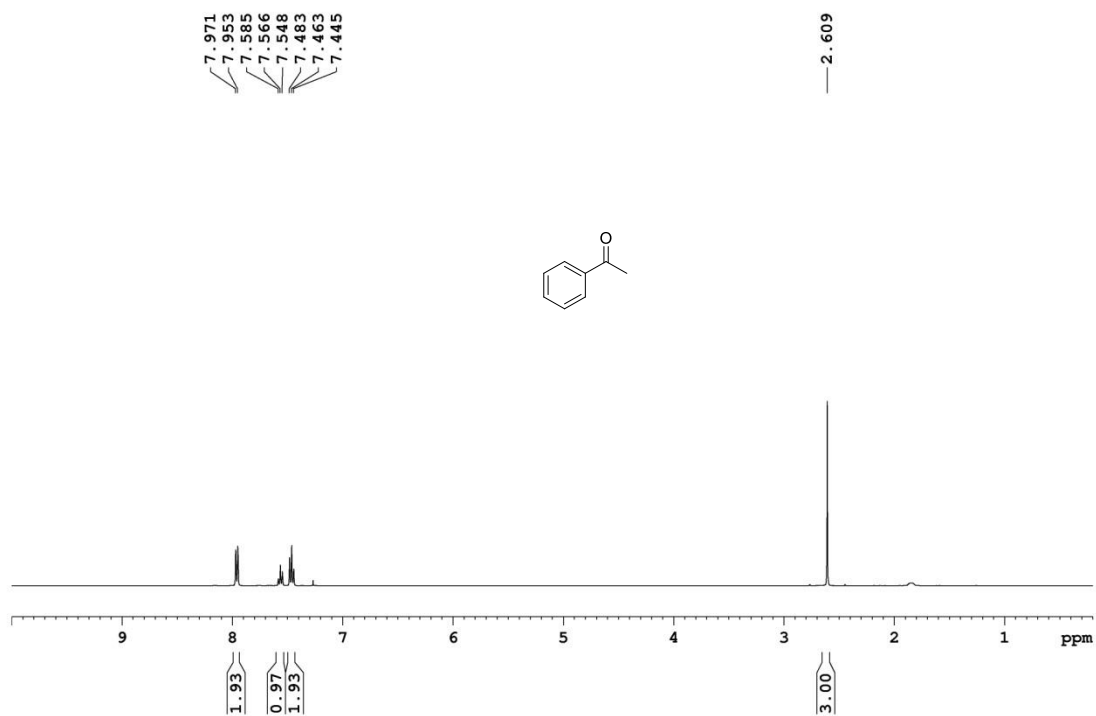
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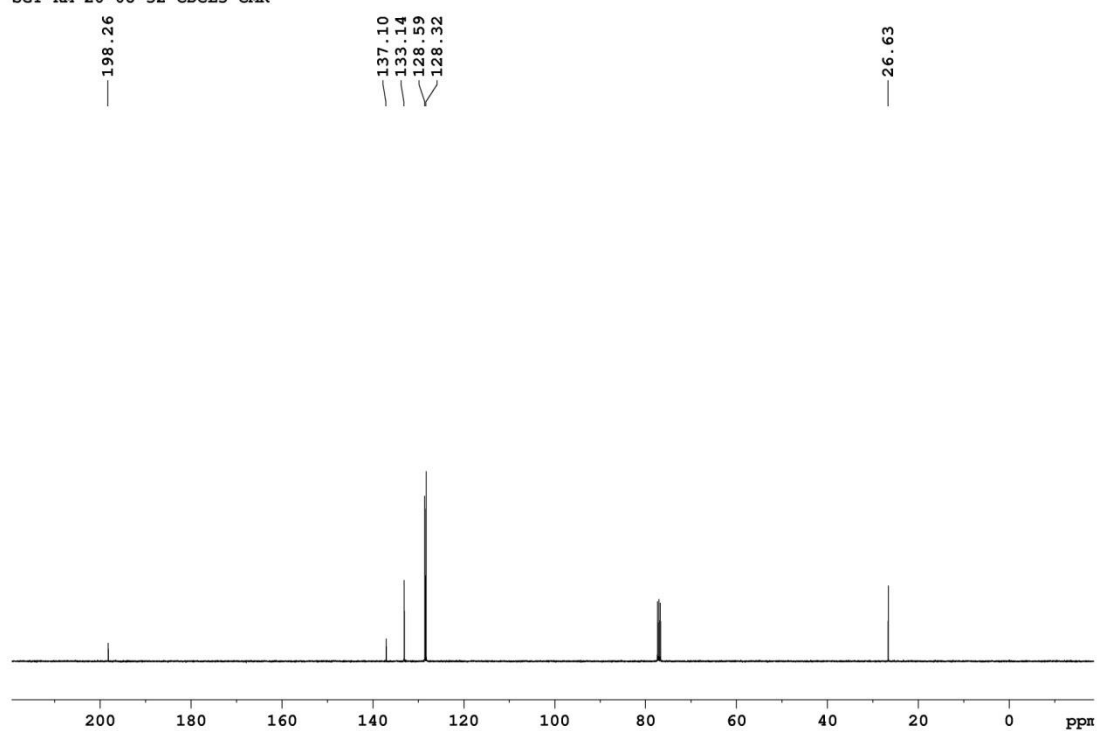
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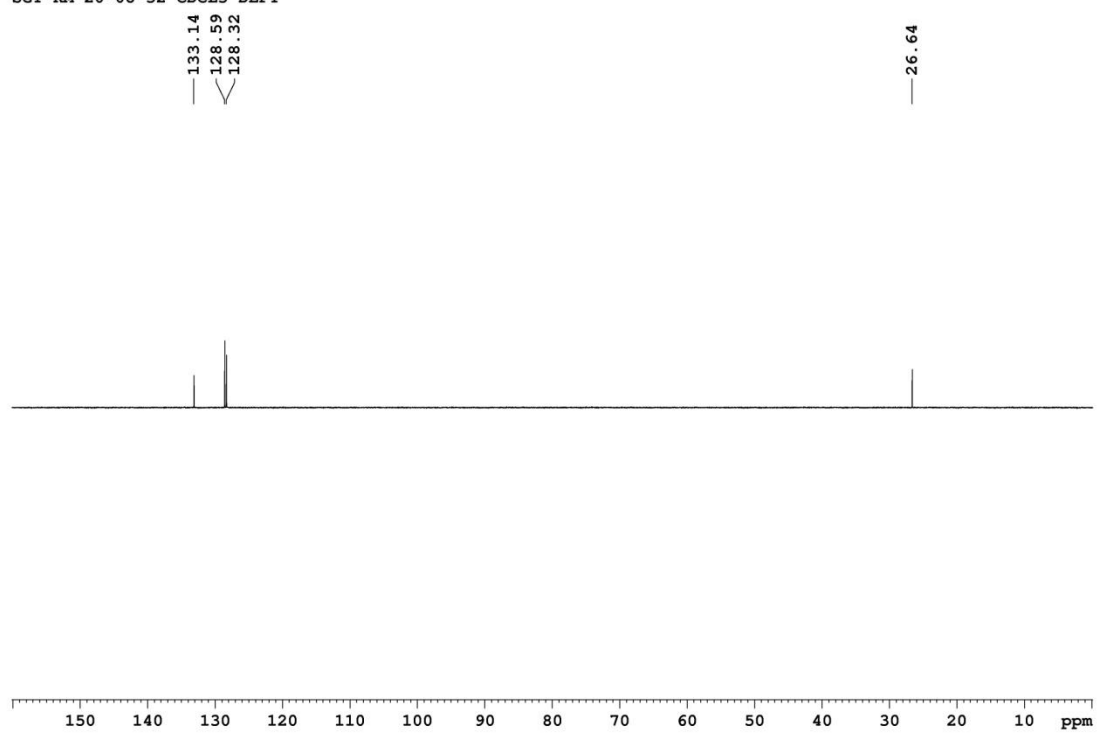
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