

Supporting Information

Rhodium-catalyzed synthesis of substituted isoquinolones *via* selective decarbonylation/alkyne insertion cascade of phthalimides

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1. General Information

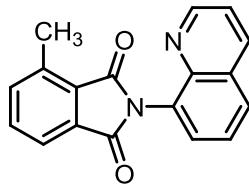
Unless otherwise noted, all the reactions were carried out in a glassware under an air atmosphere. The commercially available chemicals and solvents were used as received without further purification. Phthalimides were prepared according to the published procedure.^{S1-S5} The reactions were monitored by TLC using UV-light or by staining with iodine. Column chromatography was performed on silica gel (200-300 mesh). Single-crystal X-ray data in this work were collected on an Agilent Technologies SuperNova Single Crystal Diffractometer at different temperatures equipped with graphite-monochromatic Mo K α or Cu K α radiation ($\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ \AA}$ or 1.54184 \AA). The structures were solved by SHELXS (direct methods) and refined by SHELXL (full matrix least-squares techniques) in the Olex2 package.^{S6} All non-hydrogen atoms were refined with anisotropic displacement parameters. Hydrogen atoms attached to carbon were placed in geometrically idealized positions and refined using a riding model. ^1H , ^{13}C , and ^{19}F NMR were recorded on a 400 MHz Bruker NMR spectrometer in CDCl_3 (7.26 ppm for ^1H and 77.16 ppm for ^{13}C) using tetramethylsilane (TMS) as the internal standard(s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, dd = doublet of doublets, m = multiplet).

2. General Procedure

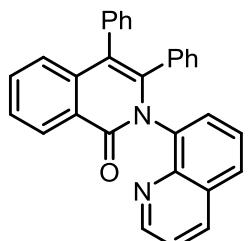
A mixture of Rh(PPh_3)₂(CO)Cl (5 mol%), 2-(quinolin-8-yl)isoindoline-1,3-dione **1a** (0.125 mmol), 1,2-diphenylethyne **2a** (1.3 equiv), PhCl (2 mL) was reflux for 24 h. After cooling the reaction to room temperature, the solvent was removed under vacuum and the residue was purified by silica gel chromatography using petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1-4:1 to afford desired products **3aa-3ia** and **3aa-3am**.

3. Characterization of Phthalimides and Products

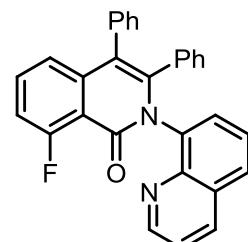
4-methyl-2-(quinolin-8-yl)isoindoline-1,3-dione (1c). white solid, mp 109.5-111.3°C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 8.87 (dd, *J*=4.2, 1.7, 1H), 8.23 (dd, *J*=8.3, 1.7, 1H), 7.96 (dd, *J*=8.2, 1.5, 1H), 7.83 (d, *J*=7.3, 1H), 7.74 (dd, *J*=7.3, 1.5, 1H), 7.70 – 7.62 (m, 2H), 7.55 (d, *J*=7.7, 1H), 7.44 (dd, *J*=8.3, 4.2, 1H), 2.76 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 168.7, 168.0, 151.0, 144.5, 138.6, 136.6, 136.2, 133.7, 132.9, 130.3, 130.0, 129.5, 129.3, 129.2, 126.2, 121.9, 121.5, 17.8.



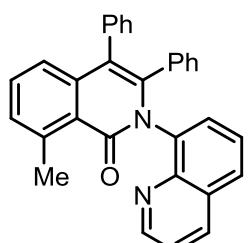
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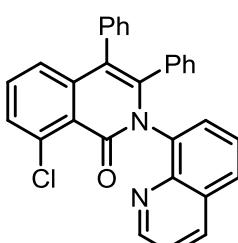
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8-methyl-3,4-diphenyl-2-(quinolin-8-yl)isoquinolin-1(2H)-one (3ca). white solid (51%), mp 161.2-162.7°C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 8.91 (dd, *J*=4.2, 1.7, 1H), 8.56 (dd, *J*=5.8, 3.8, 1H), 8.02 (dd, *J*=8.3, 1.7, 1H), 7.62 (dd, *J*=8.2, 1.3, 1H), 7.47 (dd, *J*=7.3, 1.3, 1H), 7.44 – 7.39 (m, 2H), 7.37 – 7.31 (m, 2H), 7.21 – 7.13 (m, 2H), 7.12 – 7.00 (m, 3H), 6.90 (d, *J*=7.7, 1H), 6.78 (t, *J*=7.3, 1H), 6.69 – 6.59 (m, 2H), 6.42 (td, *J*=7.6, 0.8, 1H), 1.82 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 162.9, 150.7, 144.6, 142.5, 140.0, 137.8, 136.8, 136.0, 135.9, 135.3, 135.2, 132.3, 132.2, 131.1, 130.9, 130.0, 128.7, 128.5, 127.4, 127.3, 127.0, 126.9, 126.6, 126.5, 126.3, 126.1, 125.7, 121.5, 118.2, 112.0, 23.9.



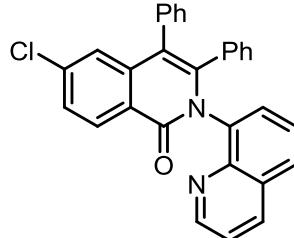
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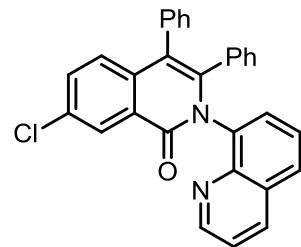
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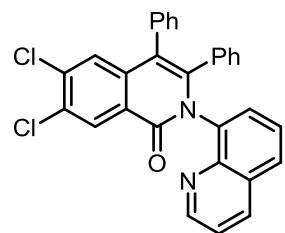
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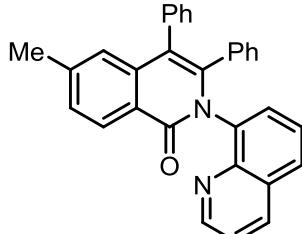
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(**3fa**). white solid (32%), mp 154.7–156.4°C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ = 8.92 (dd, $J=4.2$, 1.7, 1H), 8.63 (s, 1H), 8.06 (dd, $J=8.3$, 1.6, 1H), 7.67 (dd, $J=8.2$, 1.3, 1H), 7.47 (dd, $J=7.3$, 1.3, 1H), 7.42 – 7.34 (m, 3H), 7.29 – 7.22 (m, 1H), 7.22 – 7.09 (m, 4H), 6.95 (d, $J=7.7$, 1H), 6.84 (td, $J=7.6$, 0.7, 1H), 6.72 (ddd, $J=21.7$, 10.9, 4.5, 2H), 6.53 – 6.44 (m, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ = 161.2, 150.9, 144.5, 143.6, 137.7, 137.4, 137.2, 136.1, 135.5, 134.4, 131.7, 131.4, 131.1, 130.7, 130.5, 130.1, 129.5, 128.8, 128.8, 128.3, 128.1, 127.5, 127.2, 127.2, 126.8, 126.5, 125.7, 125.0, 121.6, 117.2.



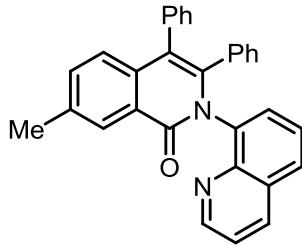
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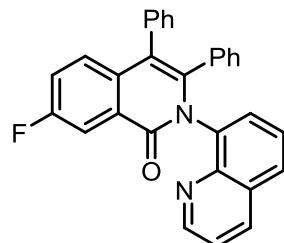
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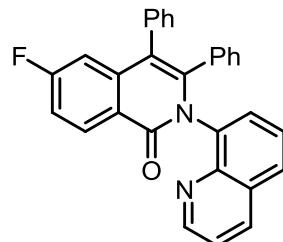
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white solid (44%), mp 119.5–121.2°C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 8.93 (dd, *J* = 4.2, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 8.29 – 8.14 (m, 1H), 8.06 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.67 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (dd, *J* = 7.3, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.41 – 7.28 (m, 4H), 7.25 – 7.20 (m, 2H), 7.19 – 7.08 (m, 3H), 6.96 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.82 (dd, *J* = 11.7, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 6.78 – 6.67 (m, 2H), 6.48 (dd, *J* = 11.0, 4.2 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 161.87 (d, *J* = 3.5 Hz), 161.50 (d, *J* = 247.4 Hz), 150.8, 144.5, 141.1, 137.4, 136.3, 136.1, 134.79 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz), 134.6, 131.64 (d, *J* = 21.3 Hz), 130.8, 129.8, 128.74, 128.68, 128.23 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz), 127.99 (d, *J* = 24.5 Hz), 127.3, 127.18 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz), 126.9, 126.57 (d, *J* = 22.7 Hz), 125.8, 121.5, 121.00 (d, *J* = 23.3 Hz), 118.1, 113.39 (d, *J* = 22.8 Hz). ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = -113.79.



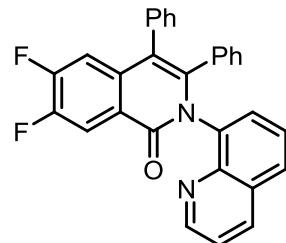
6-fluoro-3,4-diphenyl-2-(quinolin-8-yl)isoquinolin-1(2H)-one (3ha').

white solid (37%), mp 170.2–171.9°C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 8.94 (dd, *J* = 4.2, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 8.58 (dd, *J* = 8.9, 6.0 Hz, 1H), 8.06 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.67 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (dd, *J* = 7.3, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.41 – 7.33 (m, 2H), 7.26 – 7.10 (m, 6H), 6.99 – 6.89 (m, 2H), 6.83 (dd, *J* = 11.8, 4.3 Hz, 1H), 6.73 (td, *J* = 7.4, 1.3 Hz, 2H), 6.53 – 6.44 (m, 1H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 165.59 (d, *J* = 251.7 Hz), 162.0, 150.8, 144.6, 143.2, 140.68 (d, *J* = 10.1 Hz), 137.4, 136.1, 136.0, 134.6, 131.67 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz), 131.58 (d, *J* = 22.5 Hz), 131.58 (d, *J* = 22.5 Hz), 130.9, 130.6, 129.6, 128.7, 128.7, 128.08 (d, *J* = 22.7 Hz), 127.19 (d, *J* = 35.2 Hz), 126.58 (d, *J* = 22.5 Hz), 125.8, 122.2, 121.5, 118.04 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz), 115.19 (d, *J* = 23.5 Hz), 110.82 (d, *J* = 23.2 Hz).



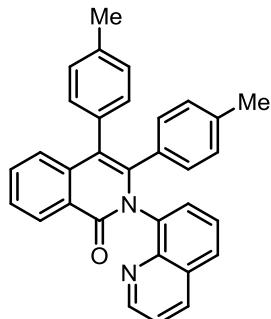
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white solid (24%), mp 105.9–107.8°C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 8.93 (dd, *J*=4.2, 1.7, 1H), 8.33 (dd, *J*=10.7, 8.3, 1H), 8.07 (dd, *J*=8.3, 1.6, 1H), 7.67 (dd, *J*=8.2, 1.3, 1H), 7.48 (dd, *J*=7.3, 1.4, 1H), 7.44 – 7.35 (m, 2H), 7.29 – 7.22 (m, 1H), 7.22 – 7.12 (m, 4H), 7.06 (dd, *J*=11.7, 7.5, 1H), 6.95 (d, *J*=7.7, 1H), 6.84 (t, *J*=7.2, 1H), 6.77 – 6.68 (m, 2H), 6.52 – 6.43 (m, 1H). ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -129.40 (d, *J* = 22.0 Hz), -137.59 (d, *J* = 22.0 Hz). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 161.28 (d, *J* = 3.7 Hz), 153.96 (dd, *J* = 255.1, 14.1 Hz), 150.84, 149.84 (dd, *J* = 250.9, 14.2 Hz), 144.49, 142.68 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz), 137.26, 136.27 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz), 136.19 (d, *J* = 2.5 Hz), 136.11, 135.87, 134.43, 131.49 (d, *J* = 25.2 Hz), 130.76, 130.11 (d, *J* = 99.2 Hz), 128.80, 128.78, 128.20 (d, *J* = 21.7 Hz), 127.34 (d, *J* = 26.3 Hz), 126.64 (d, *J* = 23.0 Hz),

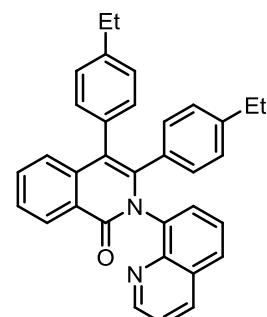


125.76, 122.64 (dd, $J = 6.2, 2.0$ Hz), 121.61, 117.58, 116.46 (dd, $J = 18.7, 1.9$ Hz), 113.48 (d, $J = 19.2$ Hz).

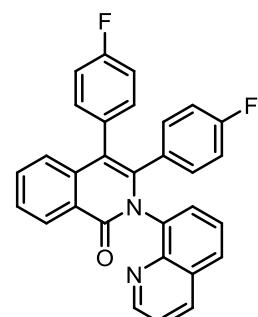
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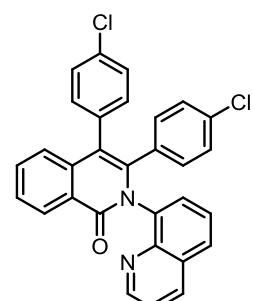
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3,4-bis(4-fluorophenyl)-2-(quinolin-8-yl)isoquinolin-1(2H)-one (3ad). white solid (89 %), mp 152.5–154.2°C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.91 (dd, $J = 4.2, 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 8.58 (dd, $J = 8.0, 1.1$ Hz, 1H), 8.09 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.71 (dd, $J = 8.2, 1.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.66 – 7.58 (m, 1H), 7.53 (ddd, $J = 15.1, 7.9, 1.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.45 – 7.33 (m, 2H), 7.27 (d, $J = 6.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.20 – 7.11 (m, 2H), 6.99 – 6.84 (m, 3H), 6.79 – 6.71 (m, 1H), 6.55 (td, $J = 8.6, 2.7$ Hz, 1H), 6.21 (td, $J = 8.6, 2.7$ Hz, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ = 162.68, 161.66 (d, $J = 246.4$ Hz), 161.44 (d, $J = 248.0$ Hz), 150.70, 144.41, 141.11, 137.93, 137.37, 136.28, 132.62, 130.93, 133.24 (dd, $J = 27.8, 8.0$ Hz), 132.30 (d, $J = 3.5$ Hz), 132.01 (dd, $J = 76.8, 8.3$ Hz), 130.85 (d, $J = 3.6$ Hz), 130.85 (d, $J = 3.6$ Hz), 128.85, 125.90, 125.67, 128.65 (d, $J = 30.1$ Hz), 126.94, 125.43, 115.11 (d, $J = 3.4$ Hz), 115.11 (d, $J = 39.3$ Hz), 113.83, 113.8 (d, $J = 42.8$ Hz). ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ = -113.24, -115.05.



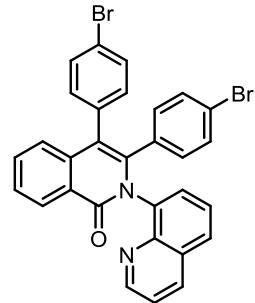
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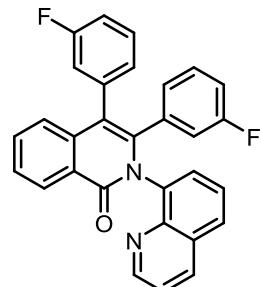
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white solid (83%), mp 176.3–178.2°C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ = 8.91 (dd, $J=4.2, 1.5, 1\text{H}$), 8.56 (dd, $J=7.9, 1.0, 1\text{H}$), 8.11 (d, $J=7.5, 1\text{H}$), 7.73 (dd, $J=8.2, 1.2, 1\text{H}$), 7.66 – 7.58 (m, 1H), 7.58 – 7.47 (m, 2H), 7.46 – 7.32 (m, 4H), 7.24 (d, $J=7.7, 1\text{H}$), 7.08 (ddd, $J=7.5, 5.3, 1.9, 2\text{H}$), 7.00 (d, $J=8.3, 1\text{H}$), 6.84 (d, $J=8.2, 1\text{H}$), 6.66 (s, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ = 162.6, 150.8, 144.5, 140.7, 137.8, 137.2, 136.2, 135.3, 133.6, 133.4, 133.2, 132.7, 132.1, 131.5, 131.3, 130.8, 130.1, 129.9, 129.0, 128.8, 128.5, 127.1, 125.9, 125.7, 125.4, 121.8, 121.7, 121.3, 117.4.



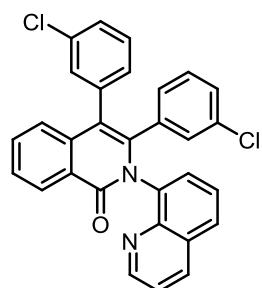
3,4-bis(3-fluorophenyl)-2-(quinolin-8-yl)isoquinolin-1(2H)-one (3ag).

white solid (86%), mp 136.0–137.8°C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ = 8.96 – 8.86 (m, 1H), 8.58 (dd, $J=8.0, 1.0, 1\text{H}$), 8.07 (dd, $J=8.1, 3.6, 1\text{H}$), 7.69 (d, $J=8.2, 1\text{H}$), 7.66 – 7.58 (m, 1H), 7.58 – 7.48 (m, 2H), 7.45 – 7.34 (m, 2H), 7.30 – 7.11 (m, 2H), 7.06 – 6.74 (m, 4H), 6.73 – 6.54 (m, 1H), 6.49 (ddd, $J=21.8, 9.3, 4.6, 2\text{H}$). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ = 162.43 (ddd, $J = 246.3, 11.9, 3.3 \text{ Hz}$), 161.15 (ddd, $J = 246.4, 13.8, 3.4 \text{ Hz}$), 162.54, 150.93 (d, $J = 4.8 \text{ Hz}$), 150.77 (d, $J = 4.9 \text{ Hz}$), 144.54, 144.50, 140.57, 138.46 (ddd, $J = 7.4, 5.2, 2.1 \text{ Hz}$), 137.50, 137.21 (d, $J = 1.5 \text{ Hz}$), 136.49 (dd, $J = 11.4, 6.0 \text{ Hz}$), 136.15, 132.70, 130.88, 130.83, 130.77, 129.77, 129.69, 129.54 (dd, $J = 10.6, 2.0 \text{ Hz}$), 129.39, 128.91, 128.85, 128.82, 128.54, 128.44, 128.34 (d, $J = 1.9 \text{ Hz}$), 128.27 (d, $J = 4.6 \text{ Hz}$), 128.20 (d, $J = 2.2 \text{ Hz}$), 128.11, 127.63, 127.60, 127.57, 127.40 (dd, $J = 2.7, 1.2 \text{ Hz}$), 127.11, 126.58 (d, $J = 2.4 \text{ Hz}$), 125.90 (d, $J = 5.0 \text{ Hz}$), 125.77 (d, $J = 3.4 \text{ Hz}$), 125.72 (d, $J = 2.8 \text{ Hz}$), 125.41, 121.73 (d, $J = 2.6 \text{ Hz}$), 118.77 (d, $J = 2.0 \text{ Hz}$), 118.55, 118.34, 117.64 (d, $J = 22.0 \text{ Hz}$), 117.46 (d, $J = 1.8 \text{ Hz}$), 117.44, 117.42, 116.91 (d, $J = 22.6 \text{ Hz}$), 114.35 (ddd, $J = 24.1, 21.0, 3.9 \text{ Hz}$). ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ = -113.34 (dd, $J=104.7, 101.2$), -114.00 (dd, $J=108.6, 14.0$).

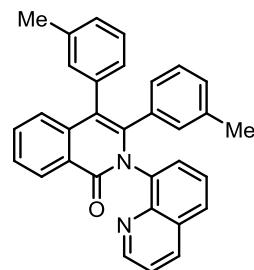


3,4-bis(3-chlorophenyl)-2-(quinolin-8-yl)isoquinolin-1(2H)-one (3ah).

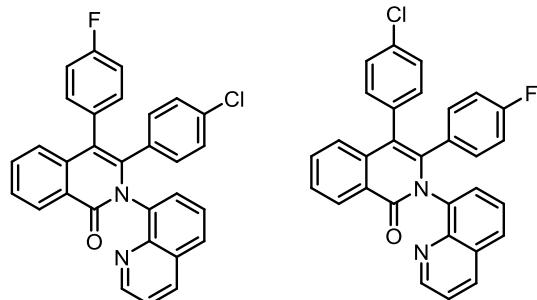
white solid (85%), mp 153.5–155.2°C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ = 9.02 – 8.81 (m, 1H), 8.58 (d, $J=7.9, 1\text{H}$), 8.18 – 7.97 (m, 1H), 7.71 (d, $J=8.2, 1\text{H}$), 7.65 (dd, $J=11.1, 4.0, 1\text{H}$), 7.60 – 7.34 (m, 4H), 7.29 – 7.24 (m, 2H), 7.14 (m, $J=17.6, 16.0, 9.5, 5.1, 3\text{H}$), 7.04 – 6.70 (m, 3H), 6.51 (ddd, $J=41.1, 15.8, 7.8, 1\text{H}$). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ = 162.54 (d, $J = 2.5 \text{ Hz}$), 150.92 (d, $J = 4.1 \text{ Hz}$), 150.75 (d, $J = 4.8 \text{ Hz}$), 144.46, 140.68, 140.64, 140.55, 138.04, 137.45, 137.18, 137.09, 136.23, 136.14, 136.13, 136.09, 136.05, 133.92 (dd, $J = 19.1, 16.6 \text{ Hz}$), 132.76, 132.57 (d, $J = 3.2 \text{ Hz}$), 131.67 (d, $J = 20.1 \text{ Hz}$), 131.59 (d, $J = 21.2 \text{ Hz}$), 130.96, 130.72 (d, $J = 3.8 \text{ Hz}$), 130.62 (d, $J = 8.5 \text{ Hz}$), 130.09, 130.06, 129.97, 129.80 (d, $J = 7.5 \text{ Hz}$), 129.58, 129.39 (d, $J = 4.0 \text{ Hz}$), 129.22, 128.96 (d, $J = 7.0 \text{ Hz}$), 128.88, 128.86, 128.75 (d, $J = 5.6 \text{ Hz}$), 128.56, 128.13 (d, $J = 5.6 \text{ Hz}$), 127.93 (d, $J = 3.0 \text{ Hz}$), 127.91 (d, $J = 17.3 \text{ Hz}$), 127.71 (dd, $J = 4.3, 1.3 \text{ Hz}$), 127.37, 127.17 (d, $J = 2.1 \text{ Hz}$), 125.97, 125.85 (d, $J = 6.2 \text{ Hz}$), 125.73, 125.72, 125.69, 125.41, 121.74, 121.72, 121.62, 121.60, 117.50, 117.42 (dd, $J = 9.6, 5.1 \text{ Hz}$), 117.35.



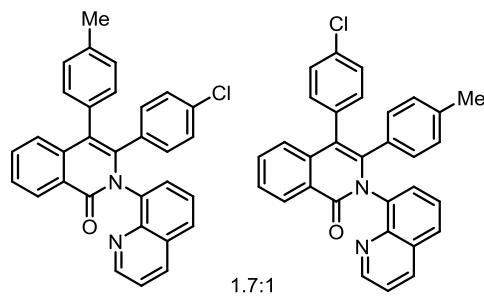
2-(quinolin-8-yl)-3,4-di-m-tolylisoquinolin-1(2H)-one (3ai). white solid (79%), mp 132.6–134.5°C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.95 (ddd, *J* = 16.7, 4.2, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 8.64 – 8.47 (m, 1H), 8.07 (dd, *J* = 10.5, 3.9 Hz, 1H), 7.71 – 7.54 (m, 2H), 7.54 – 7.28 (m, 5H), 7.17 – 6.90 (m, 4H), 6.82 – 6.65 (m, 2H), 6.53 (t, *J* = 15.7 Hz, 2H), 6.37 (td, *J* = 7.6, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 2.33 – 2.14 (m, 3H), 1.81 (dd, *J* = 158.3, 5.8 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 162.7, 150.5, 141.8, 138.2, 137.9, 137.4, 137.1, 137.0, 136.5, 136.4, 136.1, 135.9, 135.9, 135.8, 135.7, 134.7, 132.6, 132.5, 132.4, 132.3, 131.6, 131.5, 130.9, 130.6, 130.6, 128.9, 128.8, 128.7, 128.7, 128.4, 128.3, 127.8, 127.8, 127.5, 127.5, 127.4, 127.4, 127.0, 126.9, 126.5, 126.40, 126.38, 126.2, 126.1, 125.9, 125.7, 125.5, 121.41, 121.39, 121.3, 118.5, 21.32, 21.25, 21.00, 20.56.



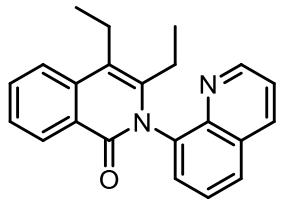
3-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-(quinol in-8-yl)isoquinolin-1(2H)-one (3aj) and 4-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-(quinol in-8-yl)isoquinolin-1(2H)-one (3ak). white solid (82%), ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.90 (dd, *J* = 4.2, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 8.57 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 8.12 – 8.02 (m, 1H), 7.71 (ddd, *J* = 8.2, 4.2, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.65 – 7.57 (m, 1H), 7.57 – 7.46 (m, 2H), 7.45 – 7.34 (m, 2H), 7.29 – 7.09 (m, 4H), 6.98 – 6.86 (m, 2H), 6.83 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 6.77 – 6.67 (m, 1H), 6.59 – 6.46 (m, 1H), 6.22 (td, *J* = 8.6, 2.7 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 161.69 (d, *J* = 246.5 Hz), 161.49 (d, *J* = 248.2 Hz), 162.7, 162.6, 150.8, 144.4, 141.0, 140.9, 137.9, 137.7, 137.34, 137.29, 136.2, 134.9, 133.4, 133.3, 133.13, 133.10, 133.05, 132.89, 132.87, 132.6, 132.36 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz), 132.13 (d, *J* = 3.5 Hz), 131.9, 131.60 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz), 131.1, 130.8, 130.70 (d, *J* = 3.5 Hz), 128.9, 128.8, 128.8, 128.49 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 128.5, 128.3, 126.99 (d, *J* = 19.6 Hz), 127.0, 125.9, 125.76 (d, *J* = 20.9 Hz), 125.4, 125.3, 121.6, 117.7, 117.6, 115.4, 115.17 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz), 115.0, 114.1, 113.89 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz) 113.7. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = -113.02, -114.85.



3-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-(quinolin-8-yl)-4-(p-tolyl)isoquinolin-1(2H)-one (3al) and 4-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-(quinolin-8-yl)-3-(p-tolyl)isoquinolin-1(2H)-one (3am). white solid (90%), ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 8.97 – 8.87 (m, 1H), 8.56 (dd, *J*=8.0, 1.4, 1H), 8.06 (ddd, *J*=7.2, 5.5, 1.6, 1H), 7.67 (ddd, *J*=12.3, 8.2, 1.2, 1H), 7.59 (ddd, *J*=8.4, 4.0, 2.0, 1H), 7.55 – 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.43 – 7.32 (m, 2H), 7.30 (d, *J*=7.6, 1H), 7.22 (dd, *J*=8.5, 2.1, 1H), 7.20 – 7.14 (m, 1H), 7.12 (dd, *J*=11.4, 1.8, 1H), 7.10 – 6.97 (m, 3H), 6.91 (dd, *J*=8.3, 2.0, 1H), 6.84 – 6.77 (m, 1H), 6.71 (dd, *J*=8.3, 2.0, 1H), 6.65 (d, *J*=7.7, 1H), 6.59 (dd, *J*=7.9, 1.7, 1H), 6.47 (dd, *J*=8.3, 2.1, 1H), 6.30 (d, *J*=7.7, 1H), 2.28 (s, 2H), 1.95 (s, 1H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 162.7, 162.6, 150.8, 150.7, 144.6, 142.3, 140.5, 138.2, 137.9, 137.6, 137.5, 137.0, 136.5, 136.1, 136.0, 135.3, 133.6, 133.2, 133.1, 133.0, 132.97, 132.6, 132.5, 132.5, 132.0, 131.6, 131.5, 131.3, 131.2, 130.8, 130.76, 130.5, 129.4, 128.9, 128.81, 128.79, 128.7, 128.52, 128.49, 128.4, 128.3, 128.1, 127.6, 127.3, 126.9, 126.8, 126.7, 126.7, 125.8, 125.8, 125.6, 125.5, 125.2, 121.6, 121.5, 118.7, 117.2, 21.2, 21.0.



3,4-diethyl-2-(quinolin-8-yl)isoquinolin-1(2H)-one (3an). white solid (79%), mp 122.4-124.0°C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.86 (dd, *J* = 4.2, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 8.46 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 8.24 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.96 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.78 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.75 – 7.63 (m, 3H), 7.49 – 7.35 (m, 2H), 2.87 (q, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 2.57 (dd, *J* = 14.9, 7.5 Hz, 1H), 2.08 (dd, *J* = 14.8, 7.5 Hz, 1H), 1.33 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 3H), 0.88 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 163.2, 151.3, 144.8, 141.7, 137.44, 137.38, 136.3, 134.2, 132.4, 130.4, 129.3, 129.1, 128.7, 126.2, 125.62, 125.55, 123.9, 122.8, 121.8, 114.6, 23.6, 20.7, 14.9, 14.1.



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5. Single-Crystal X-Ray Crystallography

5.1 Crystal structure of targeted isoquinolone 3ga'. The displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 30% probability.

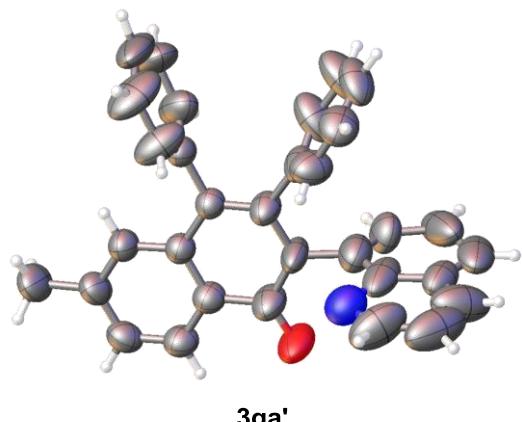


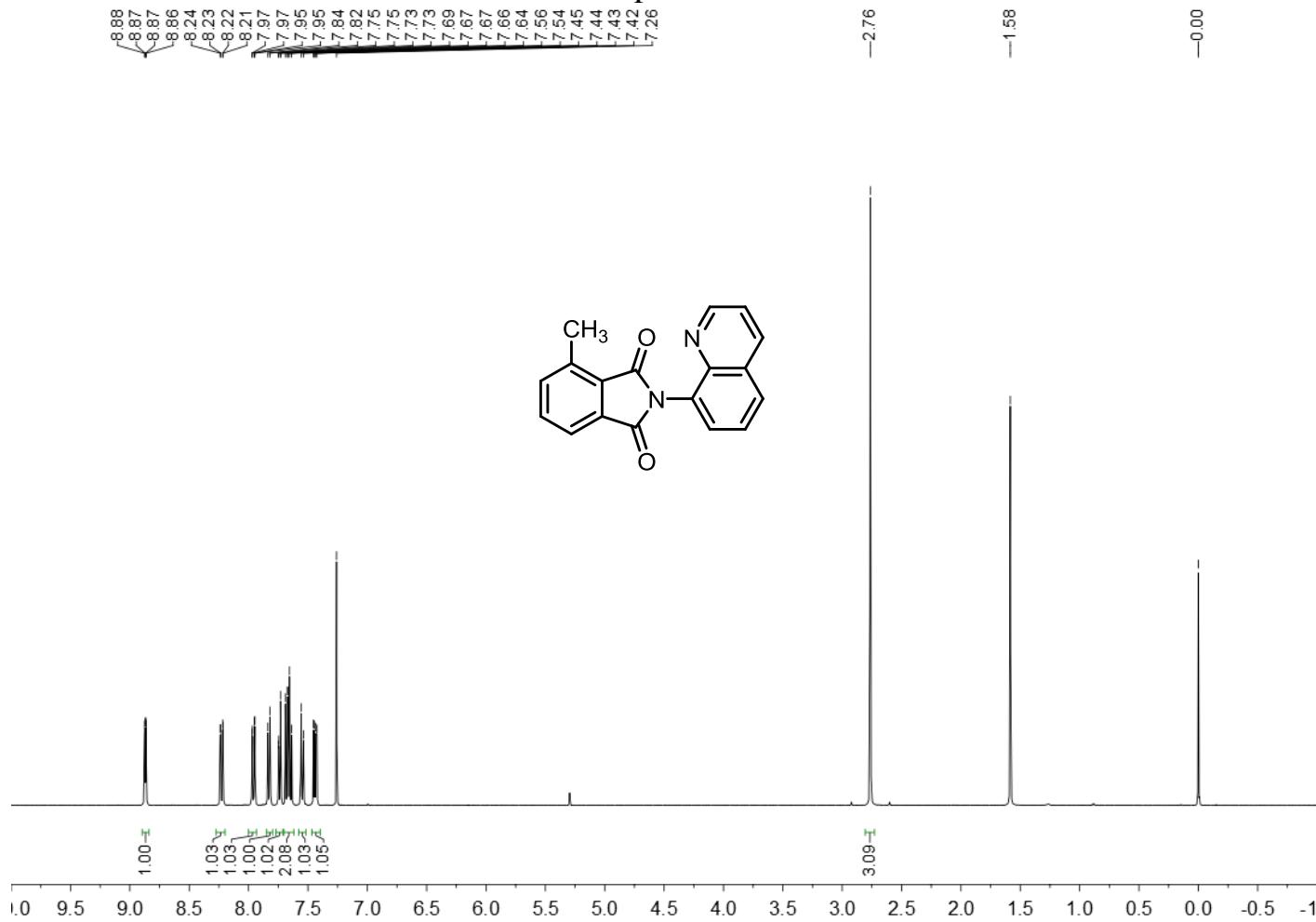
Table S1. Crystal data and structure refinement details for targeted **3ga'**.

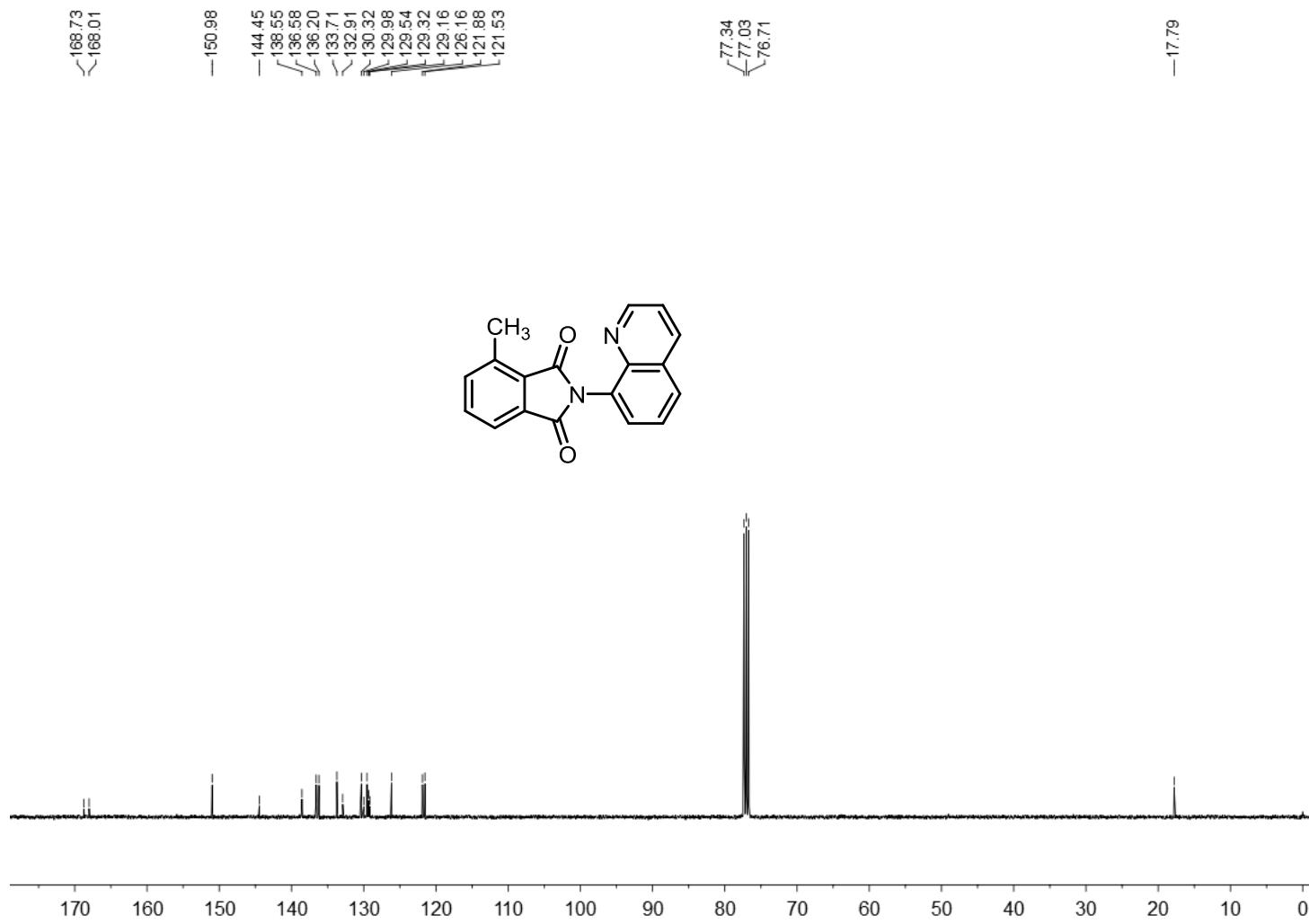
3ga'	
Empirical formula	C _{12.8} H _{8.8} N _{0.4} O _{0.4}
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Crystal system	triclinic
Space group	P-1
a / Å	9.6741(10)
b / Å	10.8198(12)
c / Å	12.5635(11)
α / °	69.234(9)
β / °	89.878(8)
γ / °	72.178(10)
Volume / Å ³	1162.2(2)
Z	5
D / g cm ⁻³	1.247
μ / mm ⁻¹	0.580
F (000)	458.0
R _{int}	0.0334
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	2.237
R ₁ ^a / wR ₂ ^b [I > 2σ(I)]	0.1657/0.4066
R ₁ ^a / wR ₂ ^b (all data)	0.1907/0.4291
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^a R₁ = Σ||F_o| - |F_c||/Σ|F_o|. ^b wR₂ = [Σw(|F_o|² - |F_c|²)]/Σ|w(F_o)²|^{1/2}, where w = 1/[σ²(F_o²) + (aP)² + bP]. P = (F_o² + 2F_c²)/3.

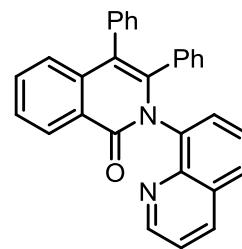
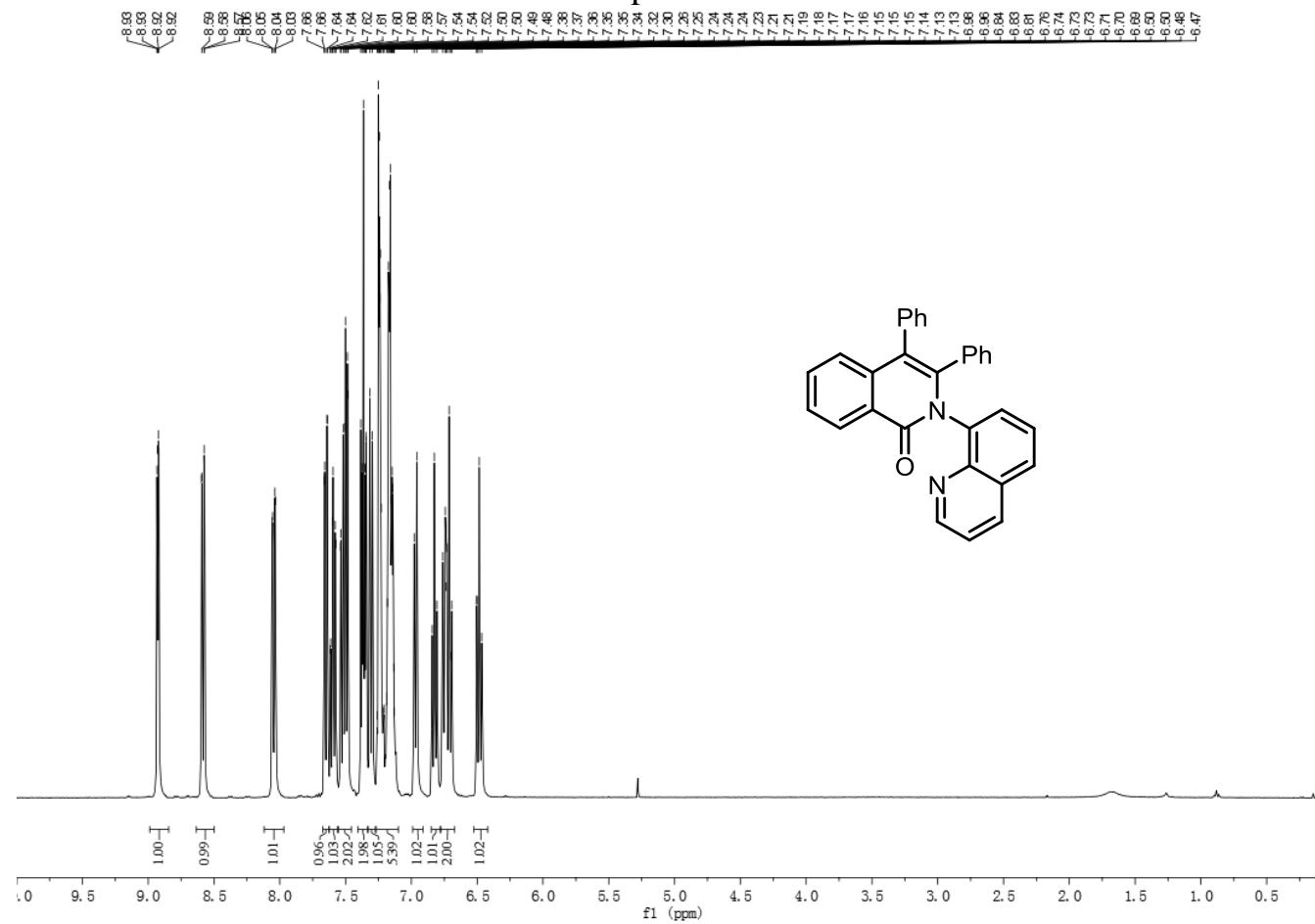
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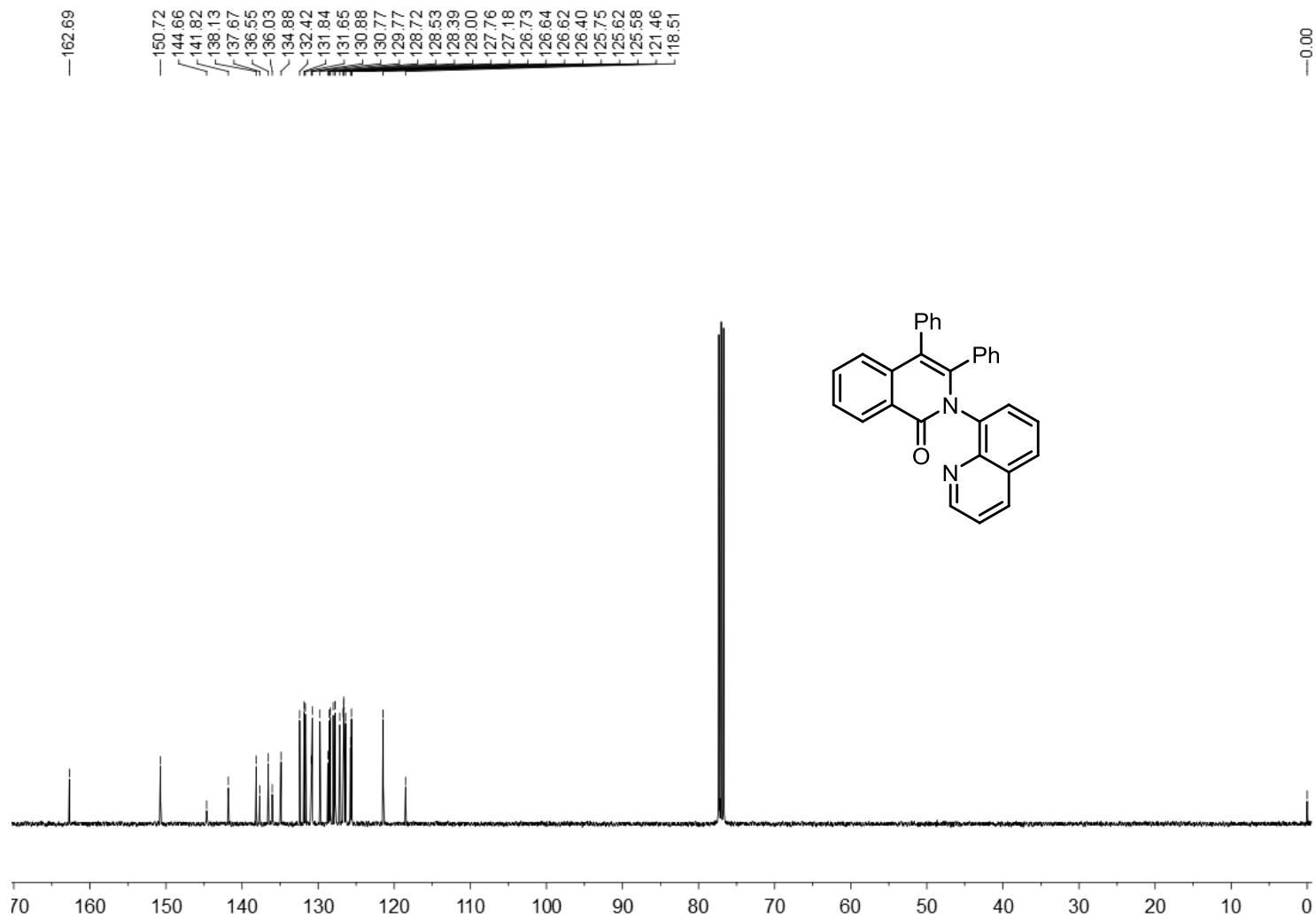
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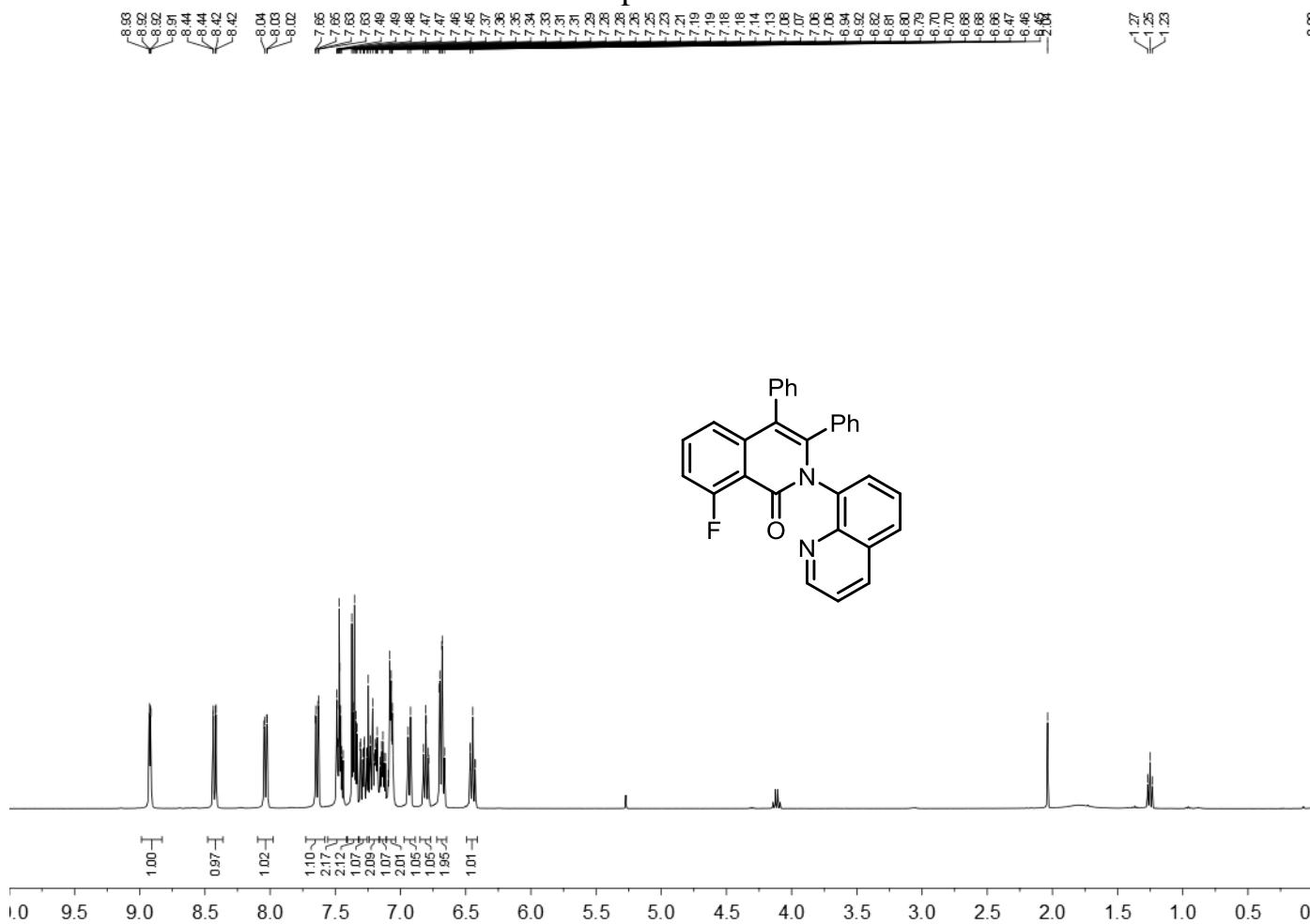


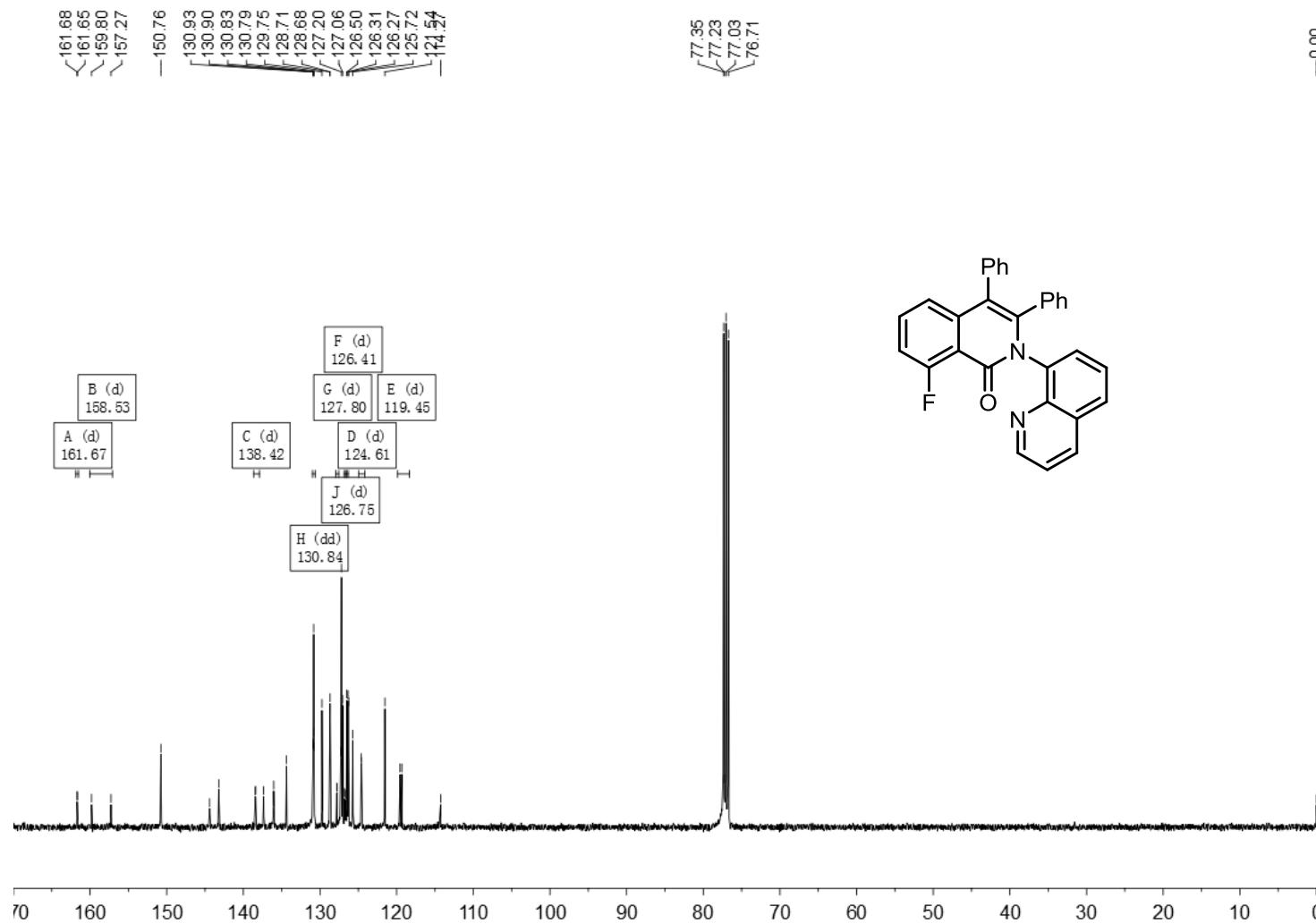
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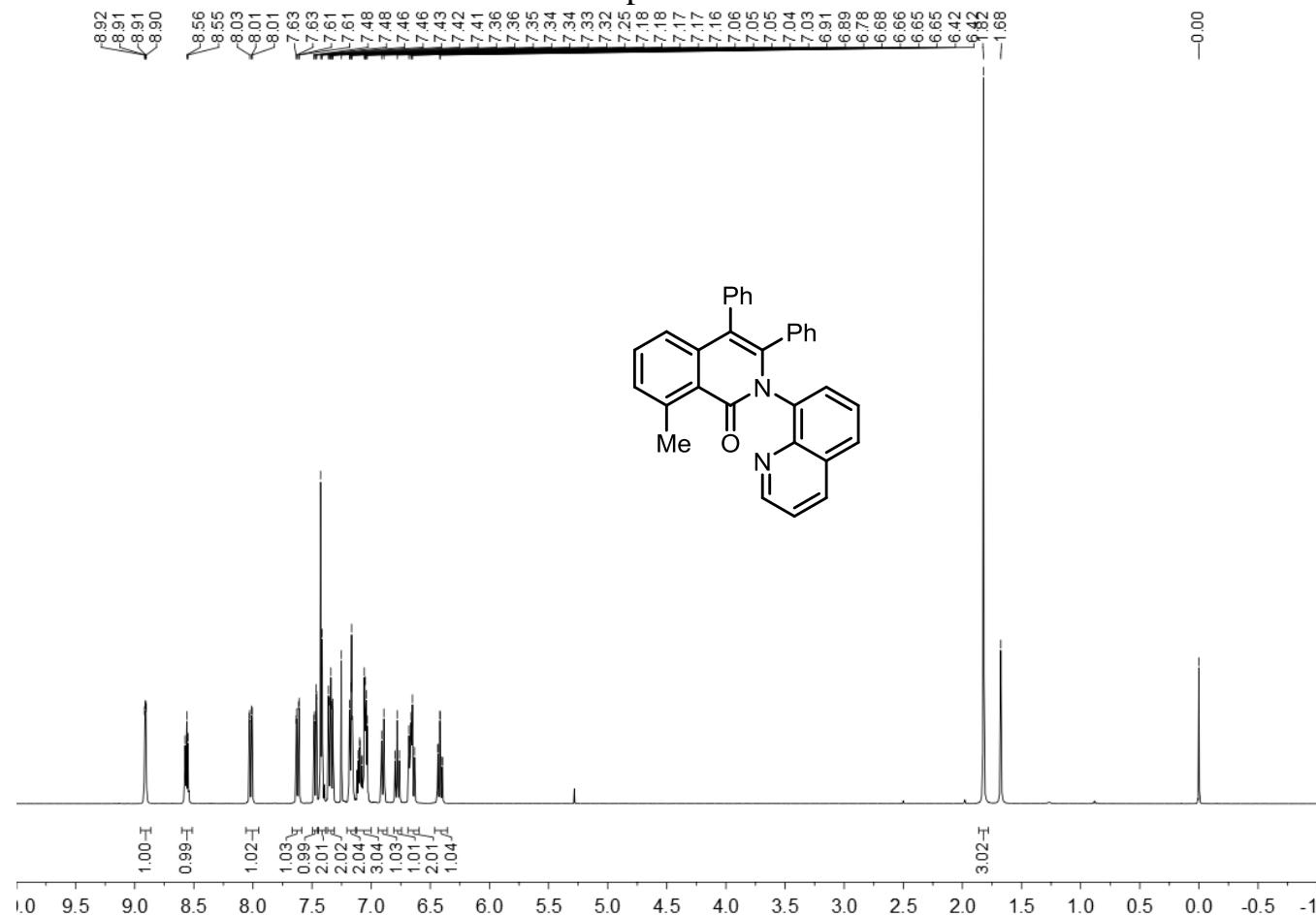


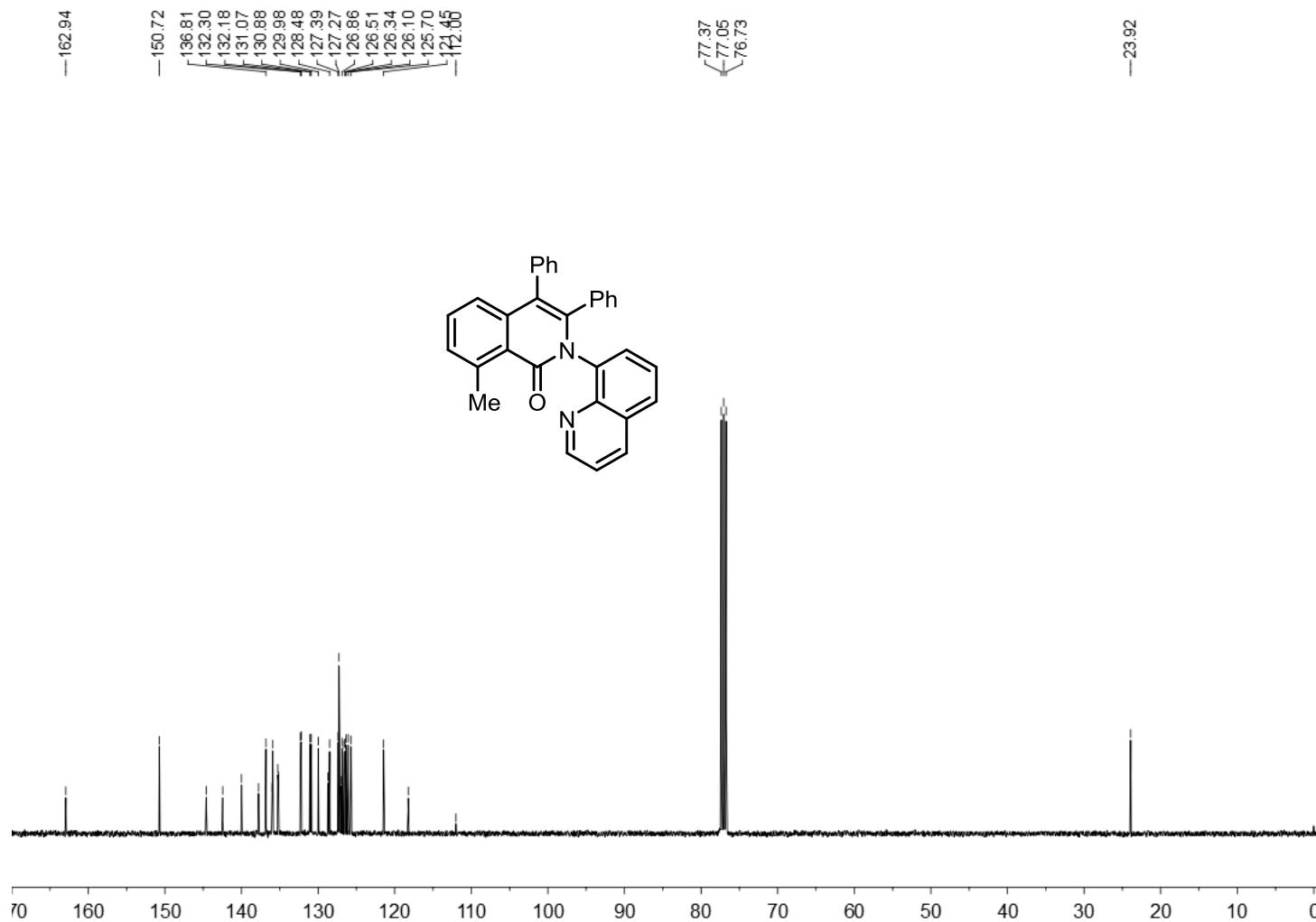
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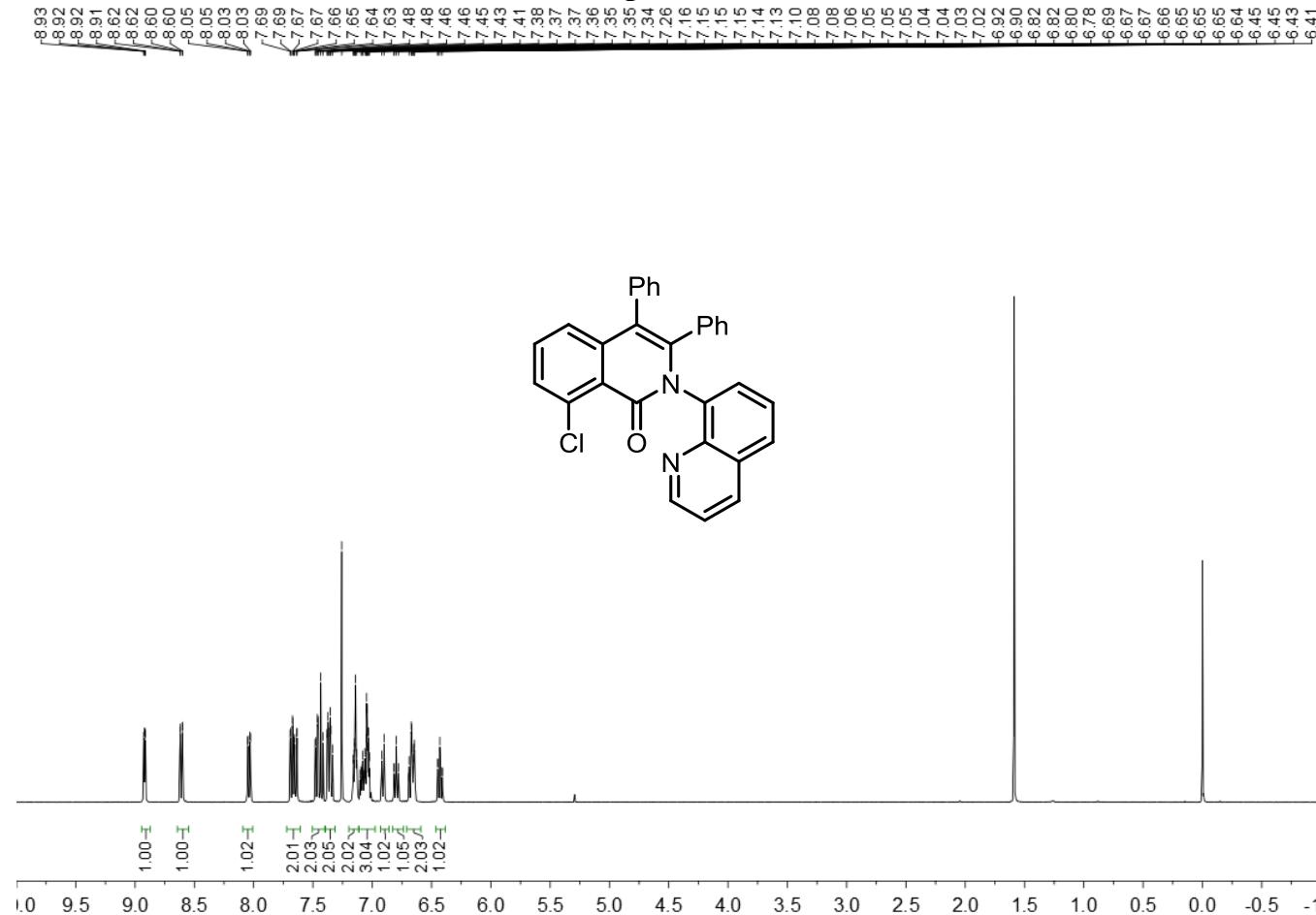


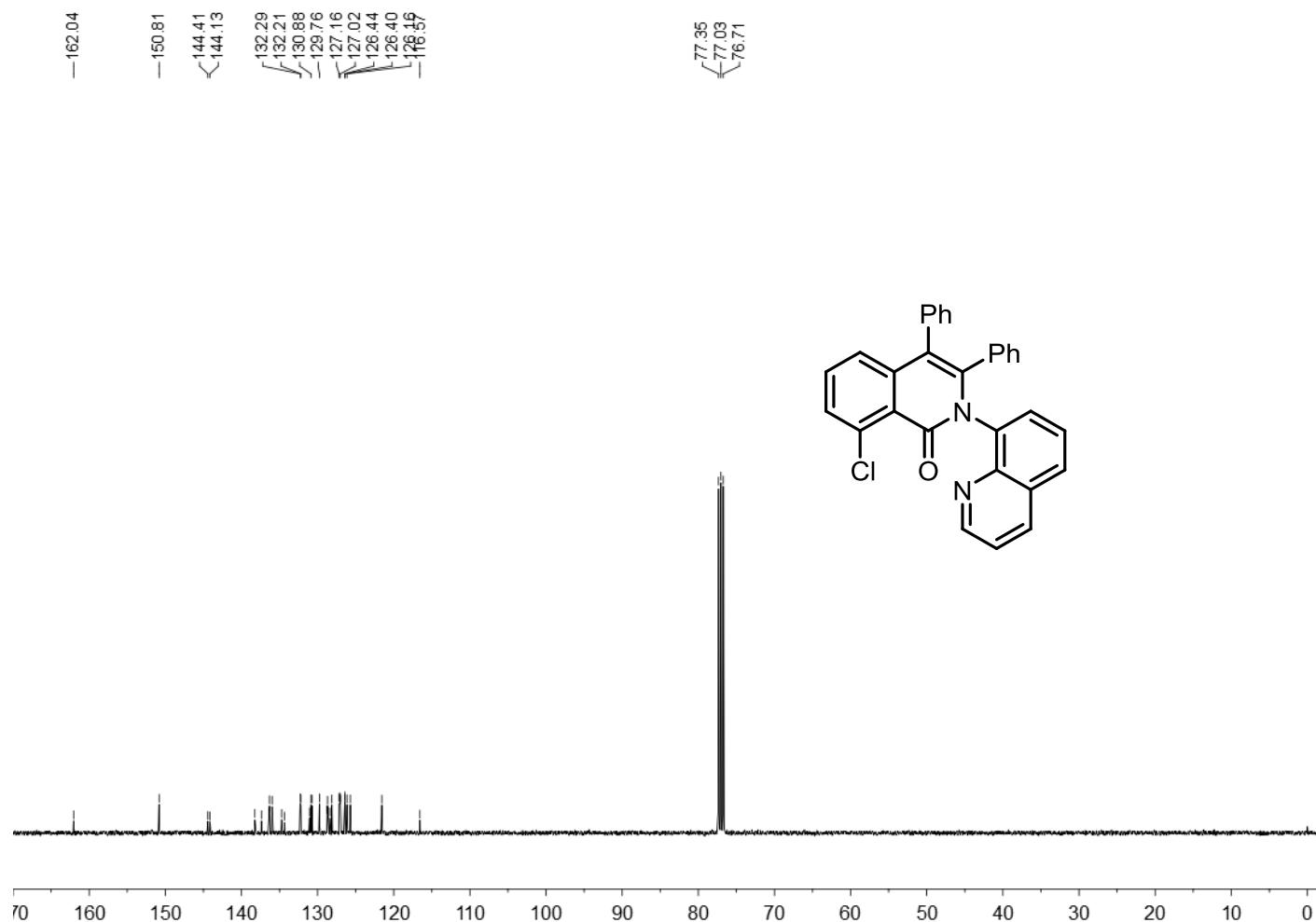
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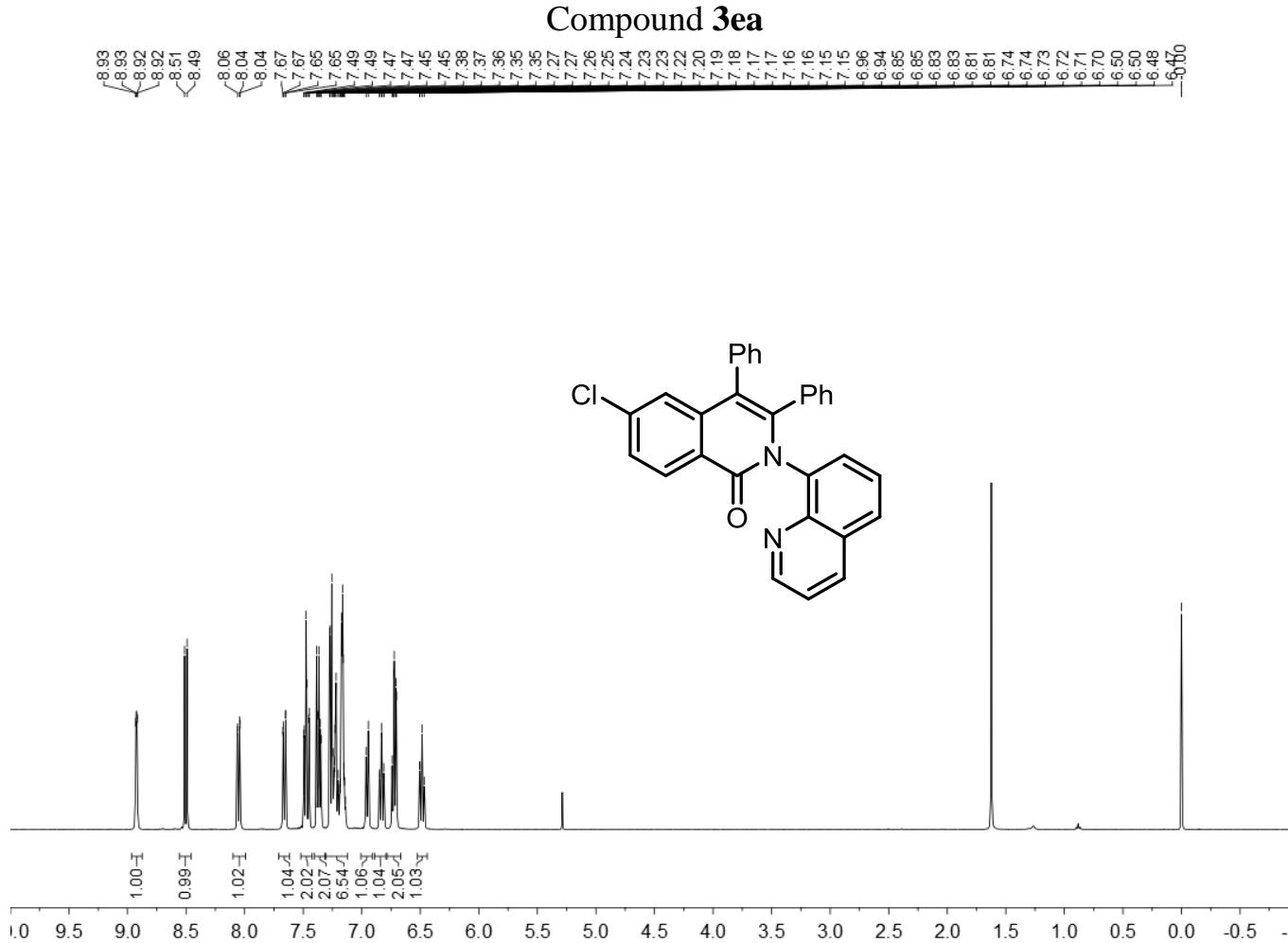


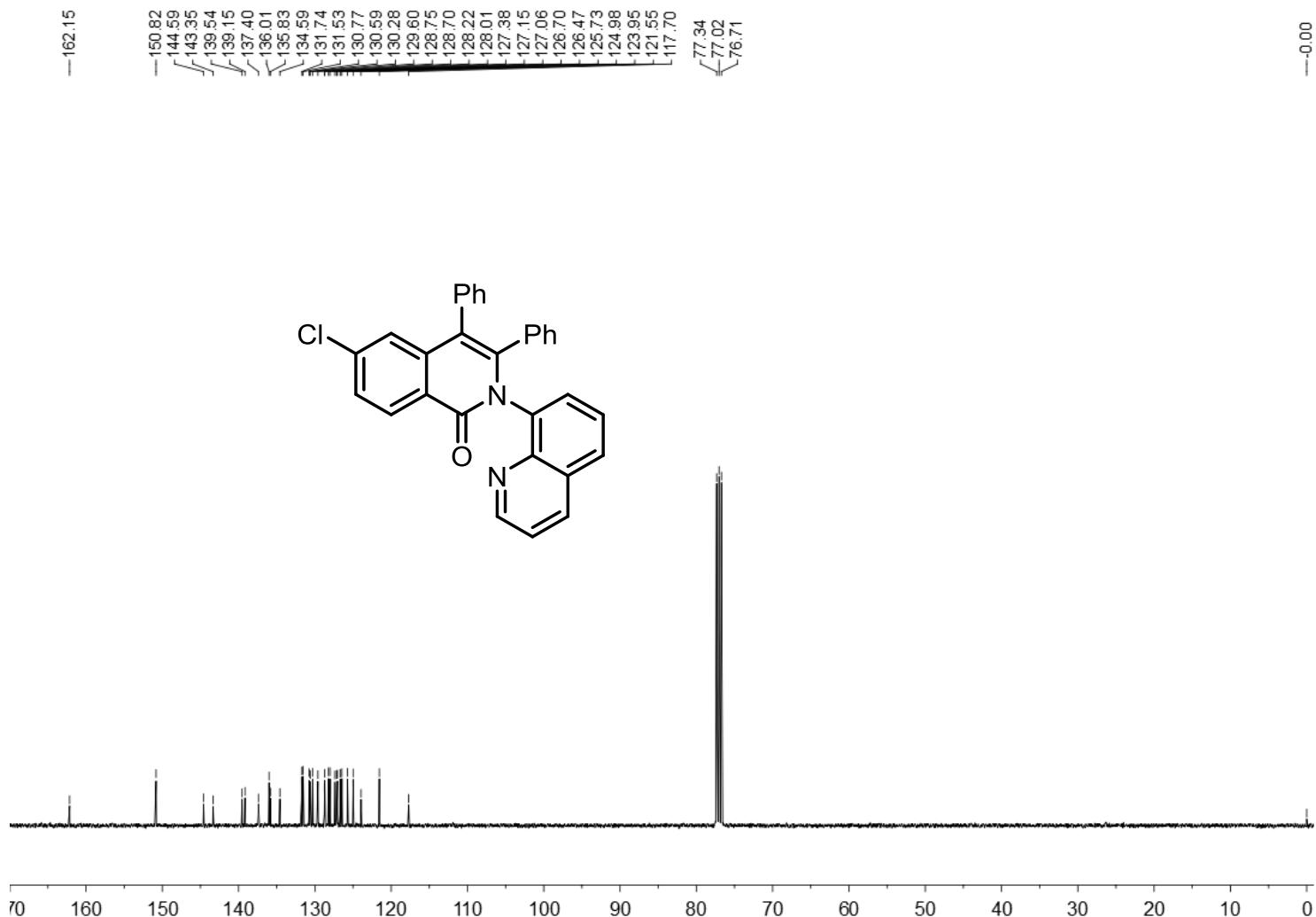


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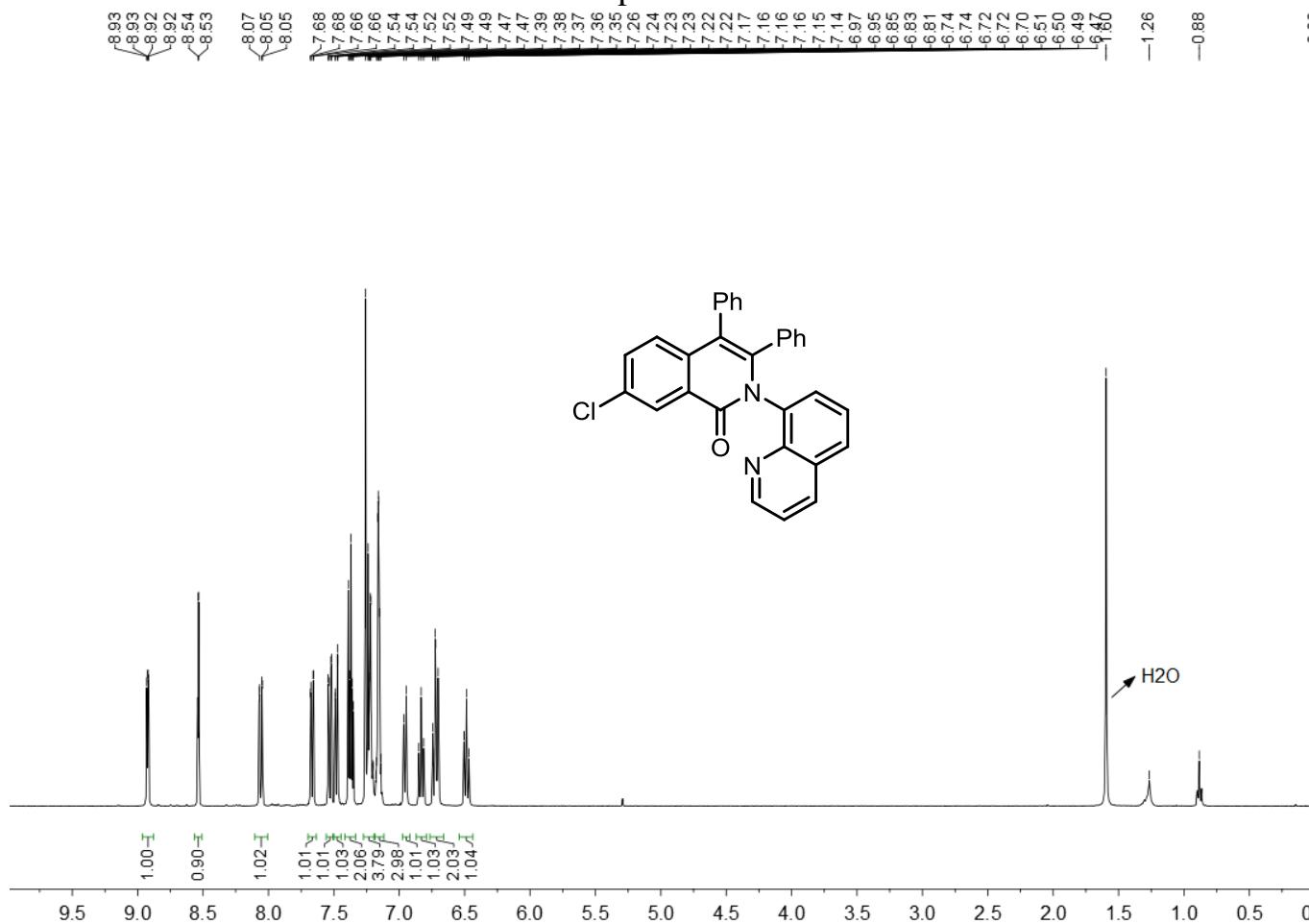


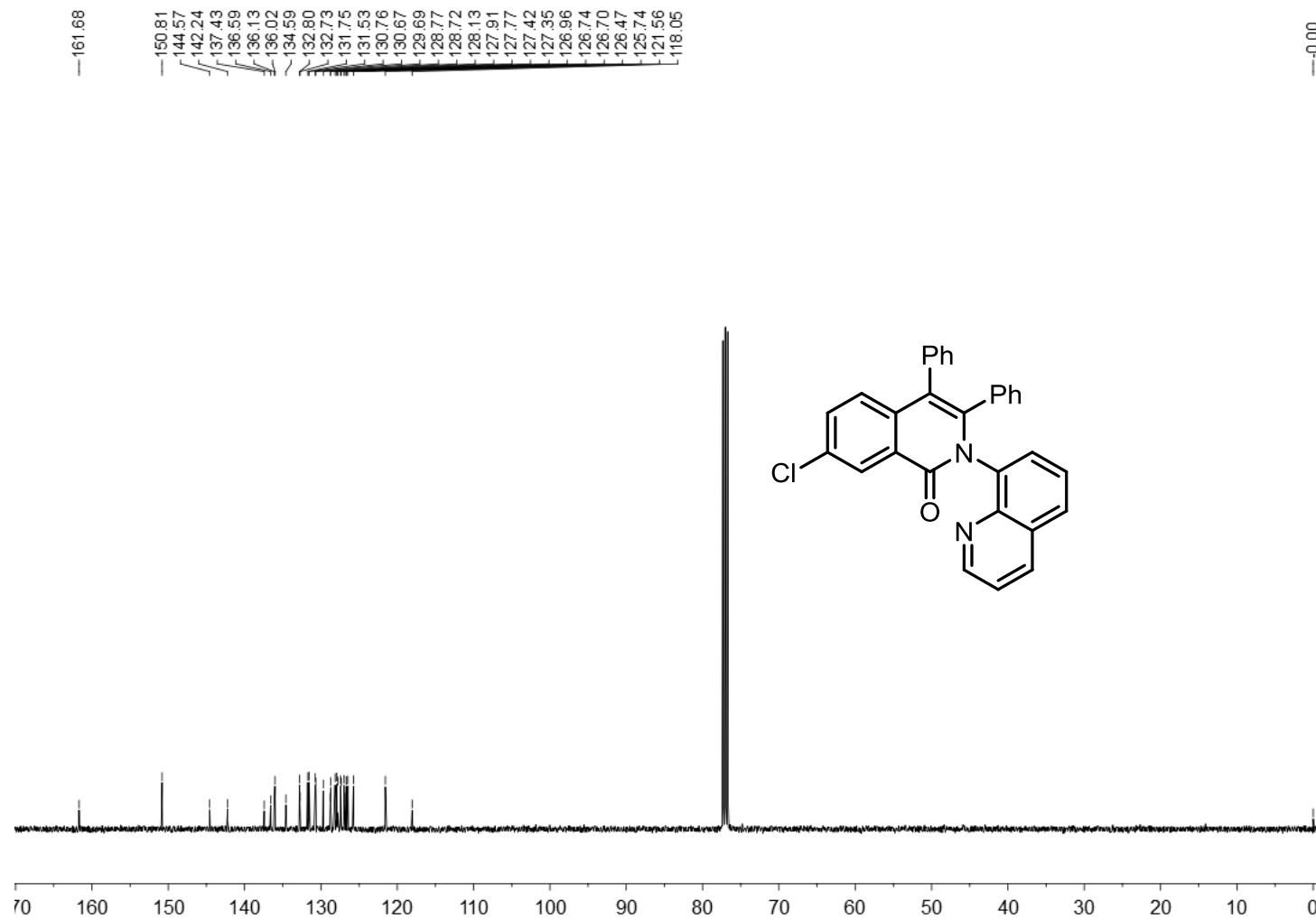




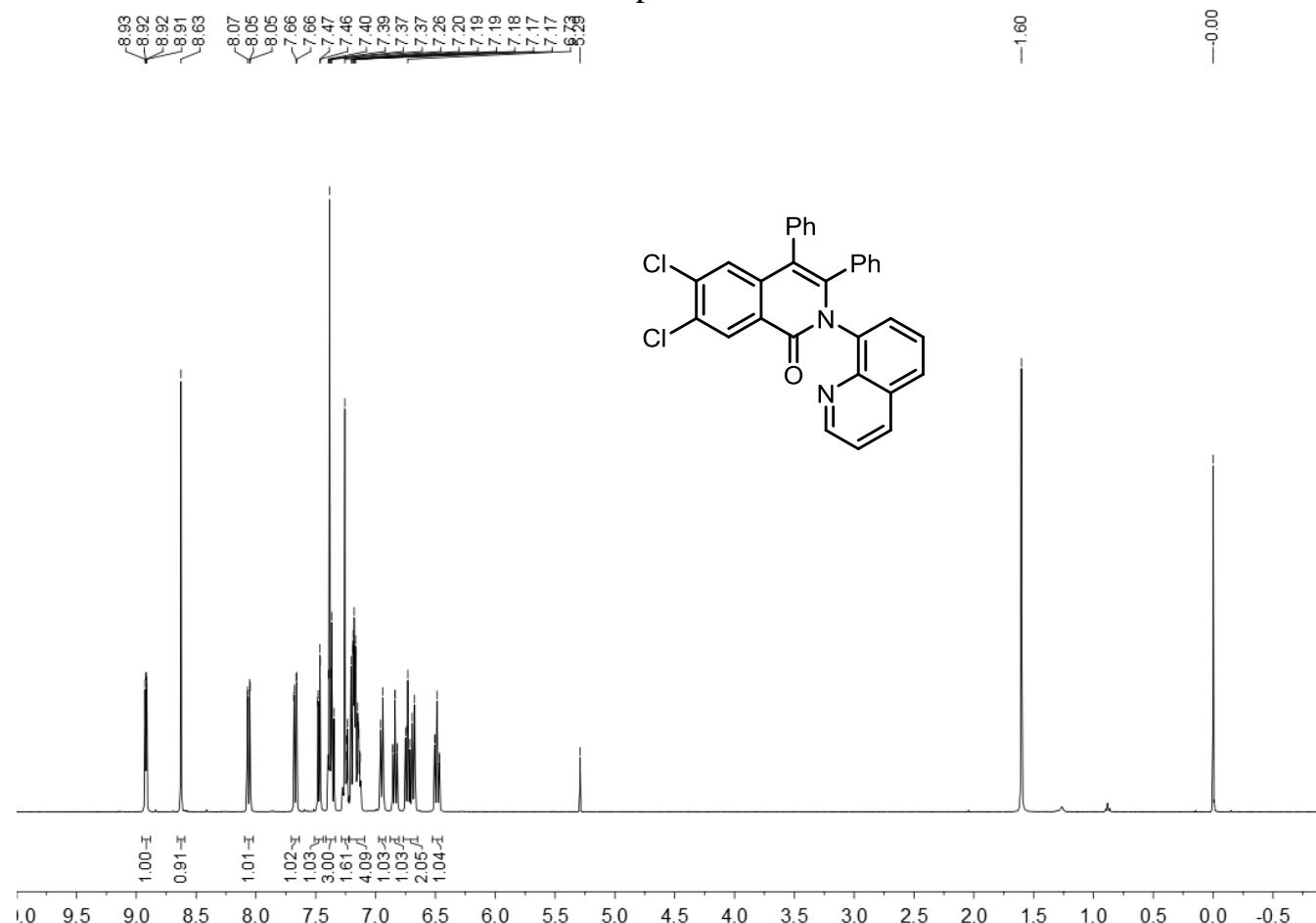


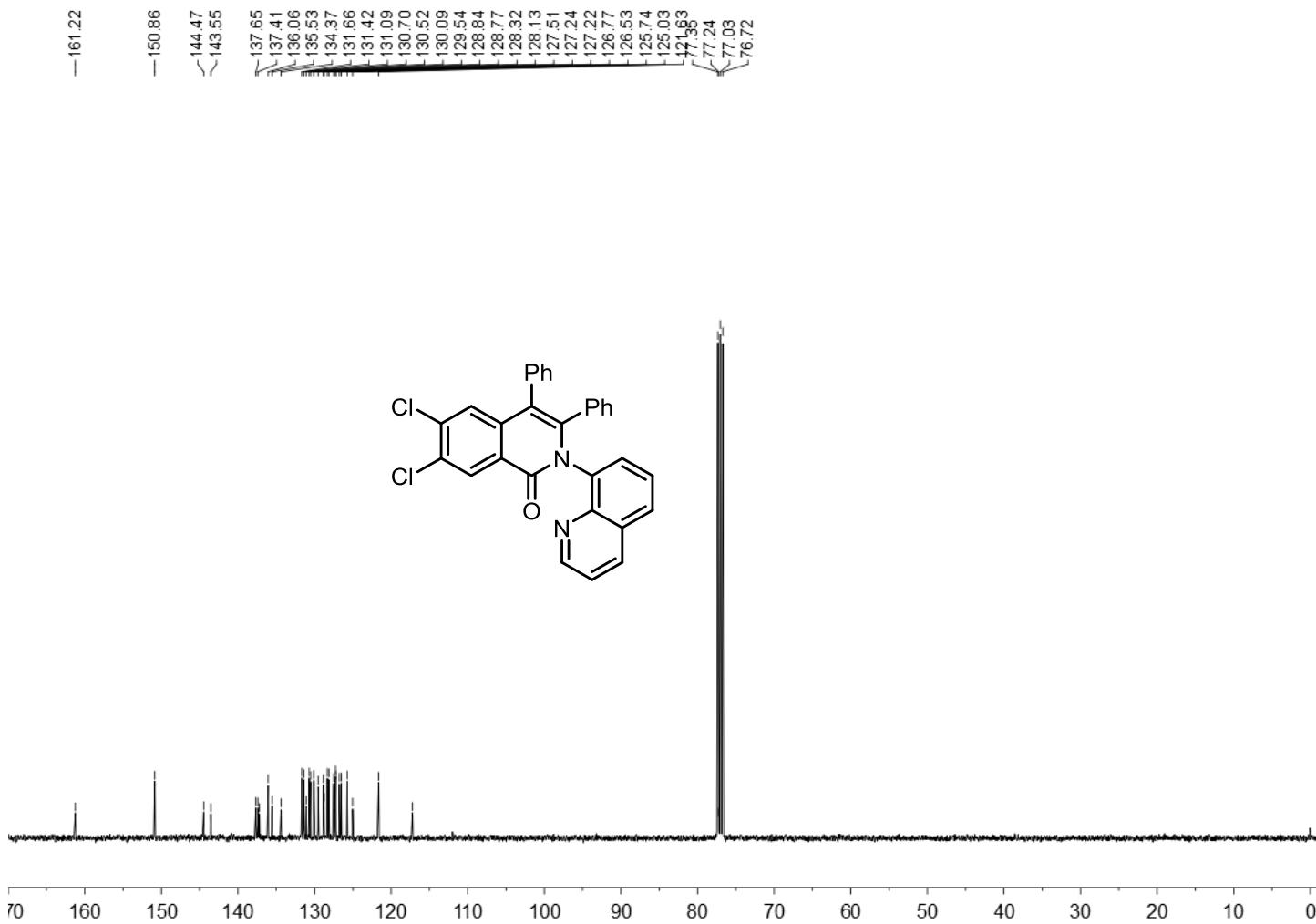
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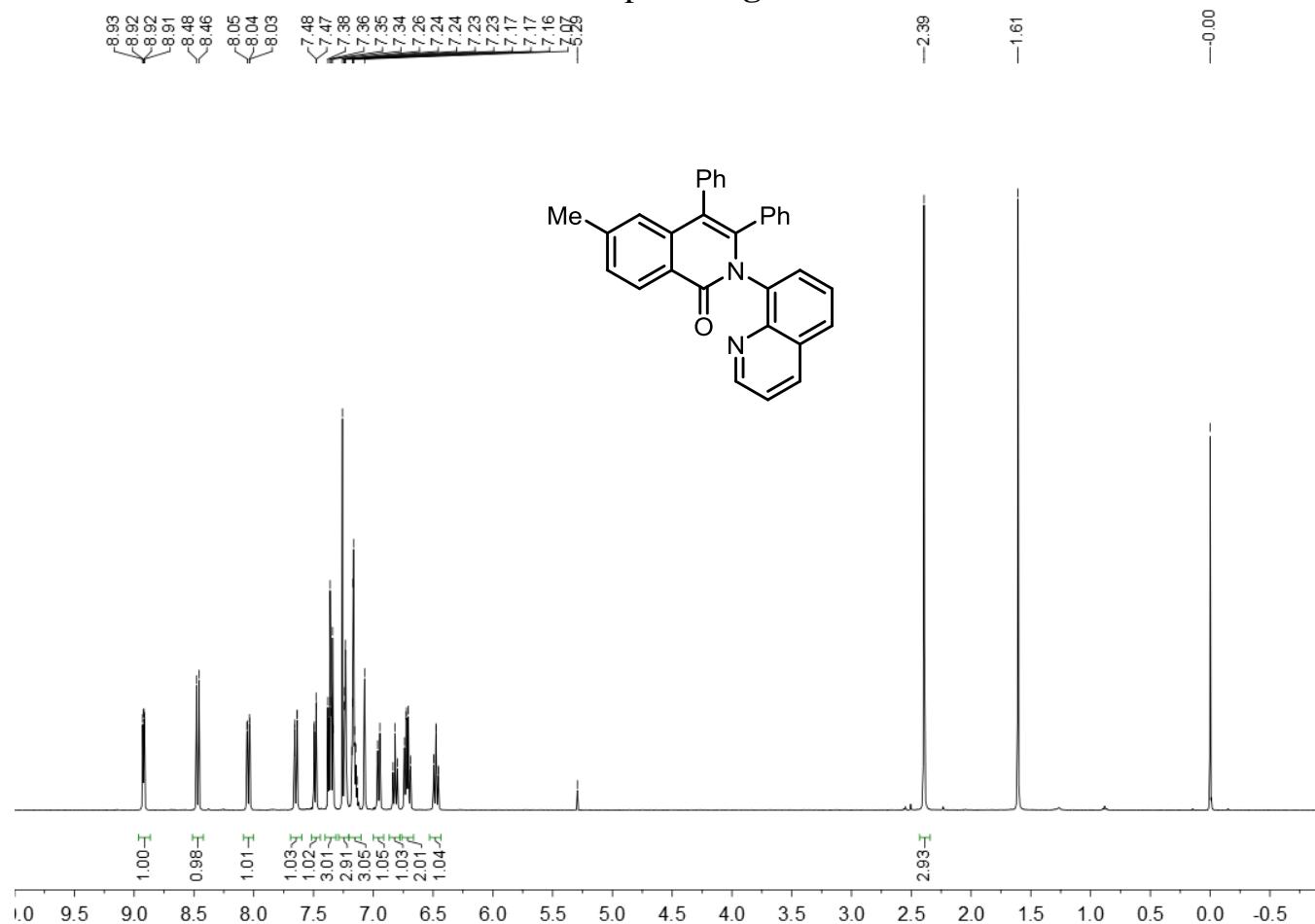


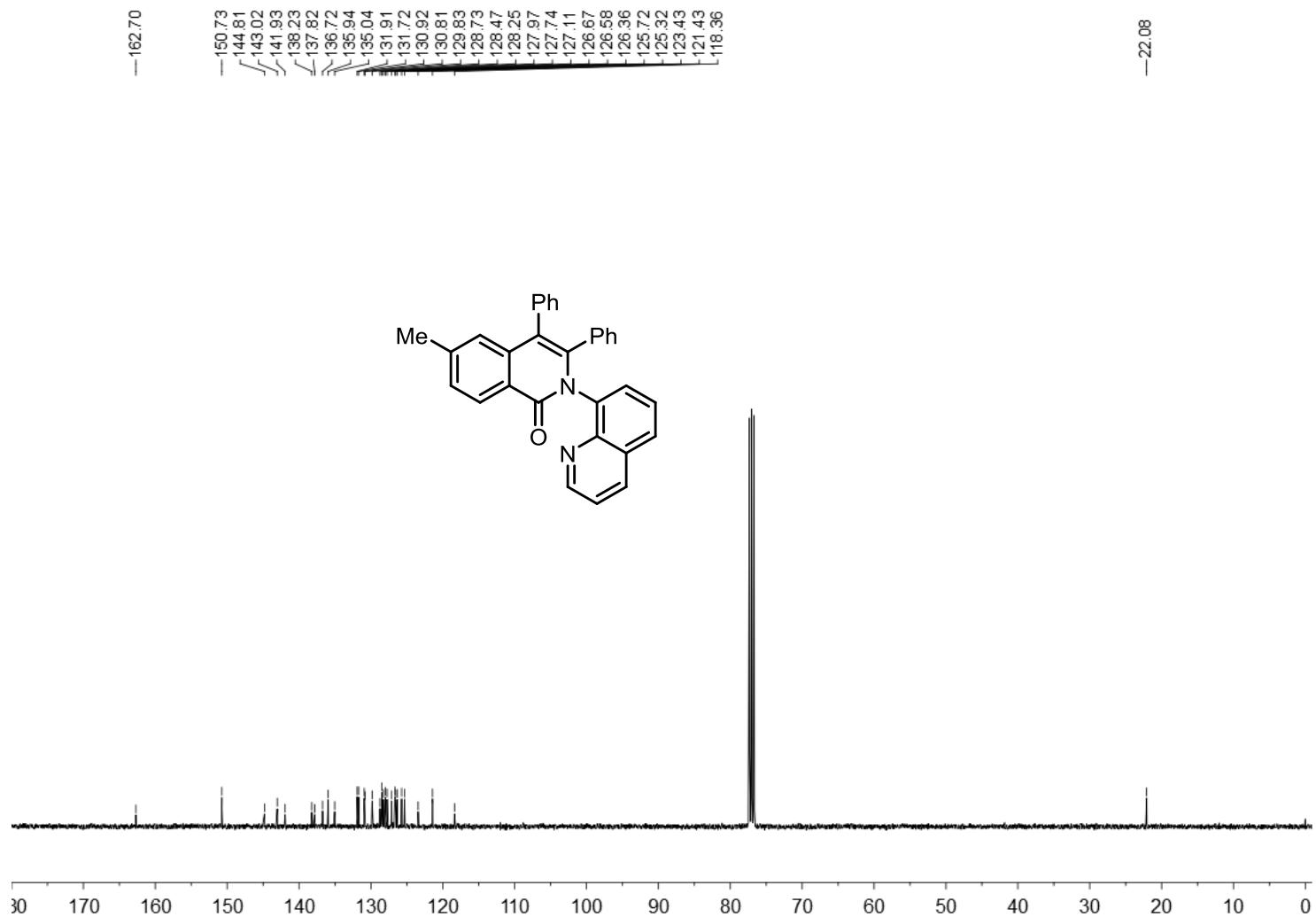
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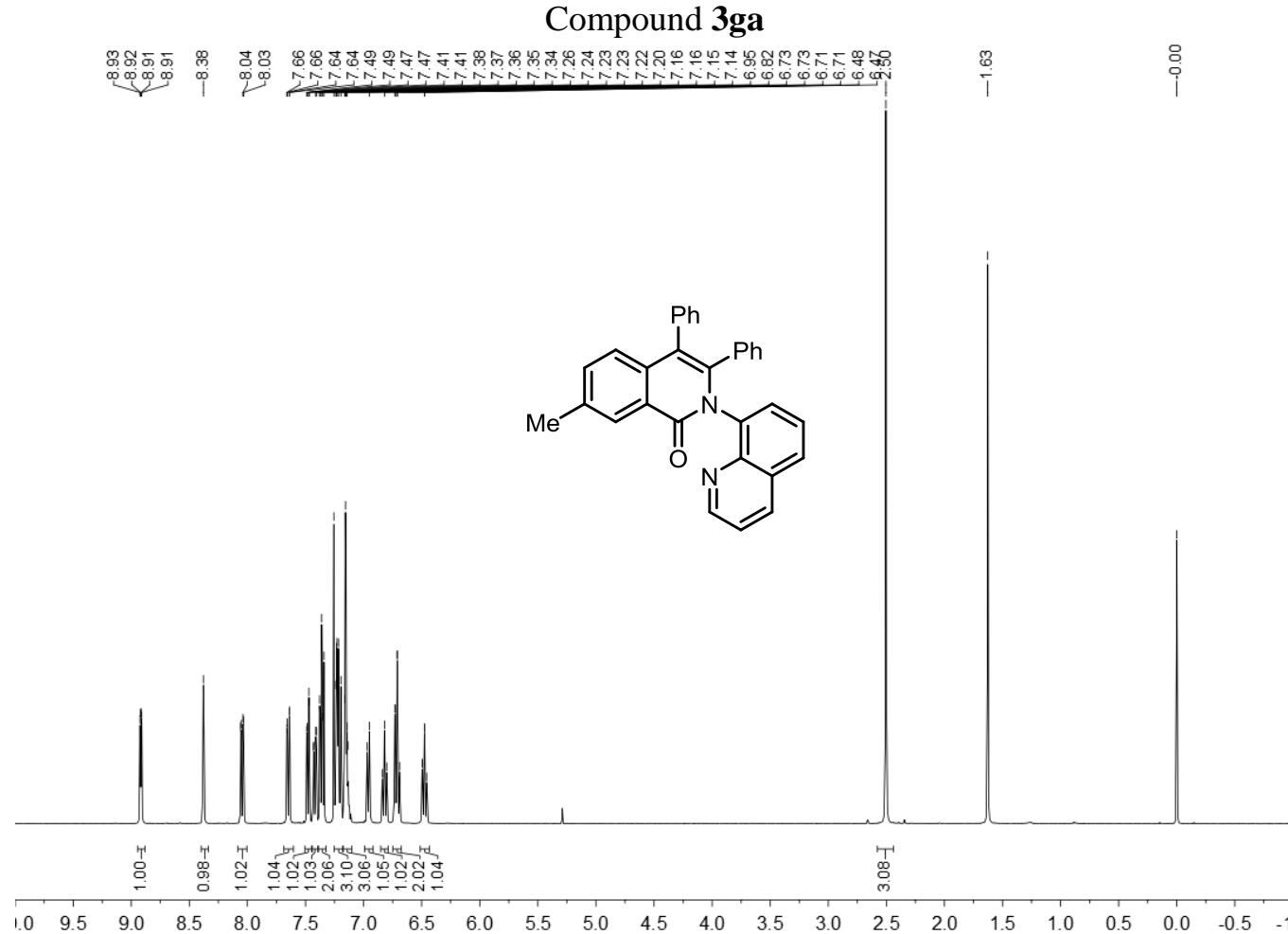


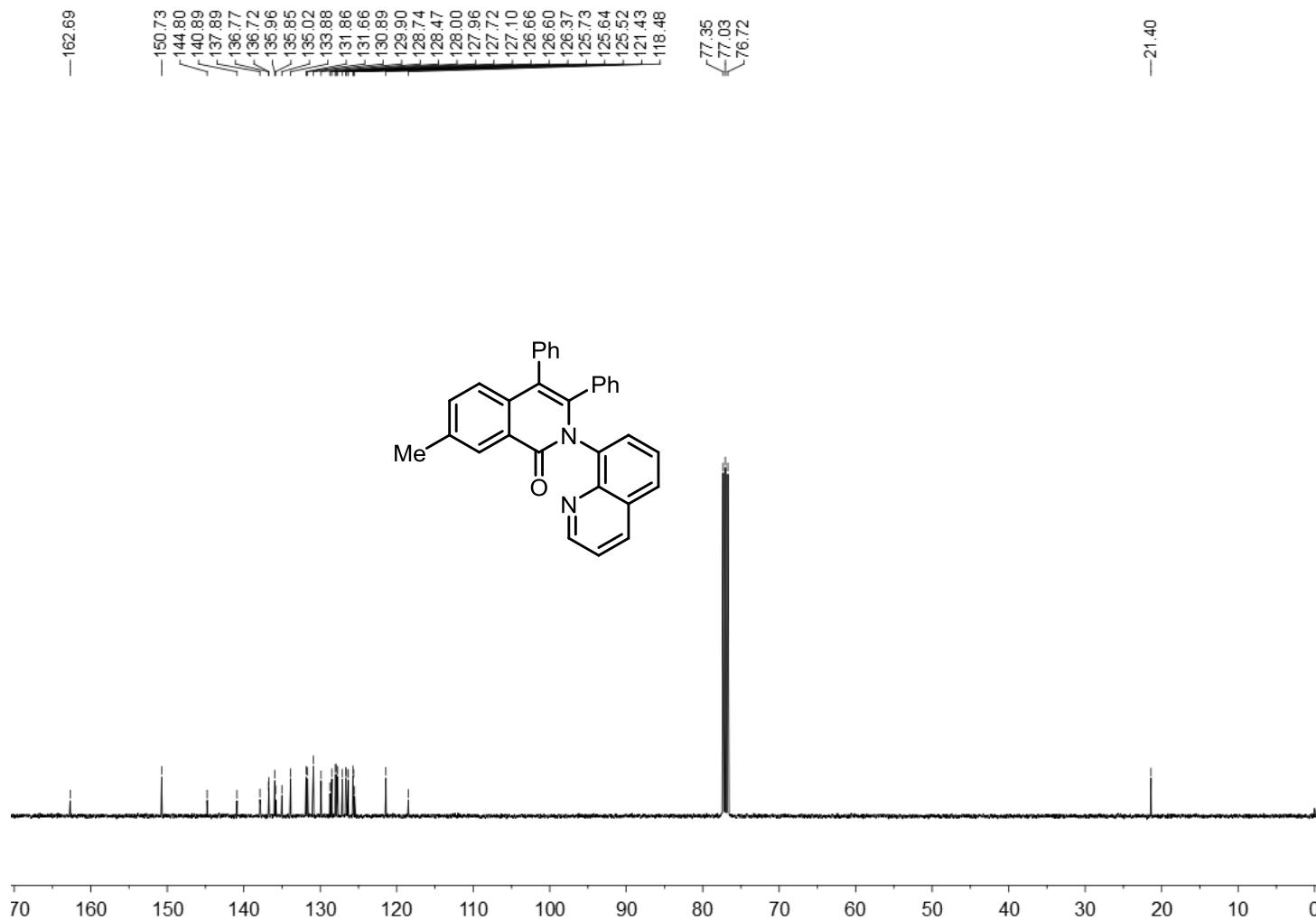


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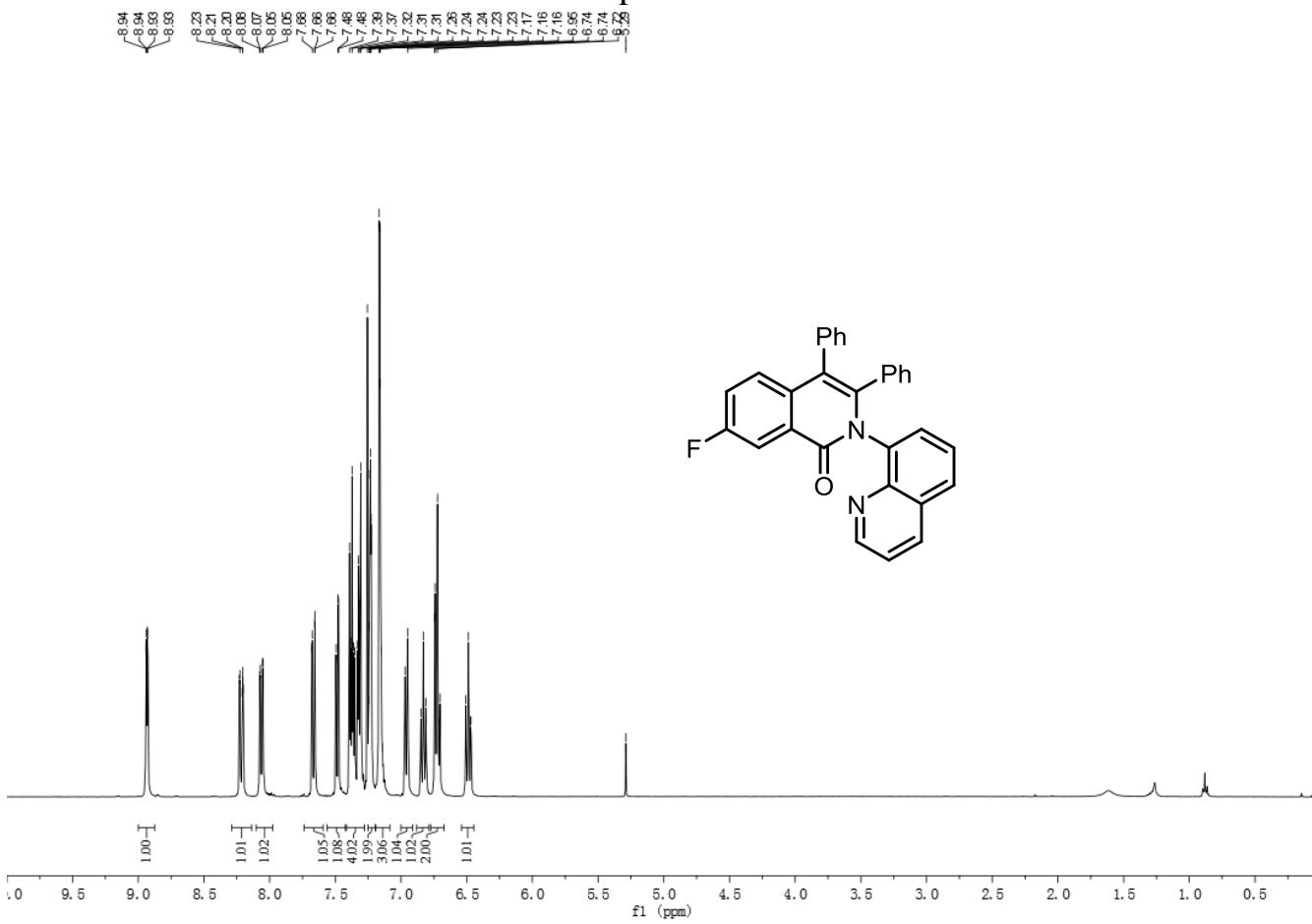


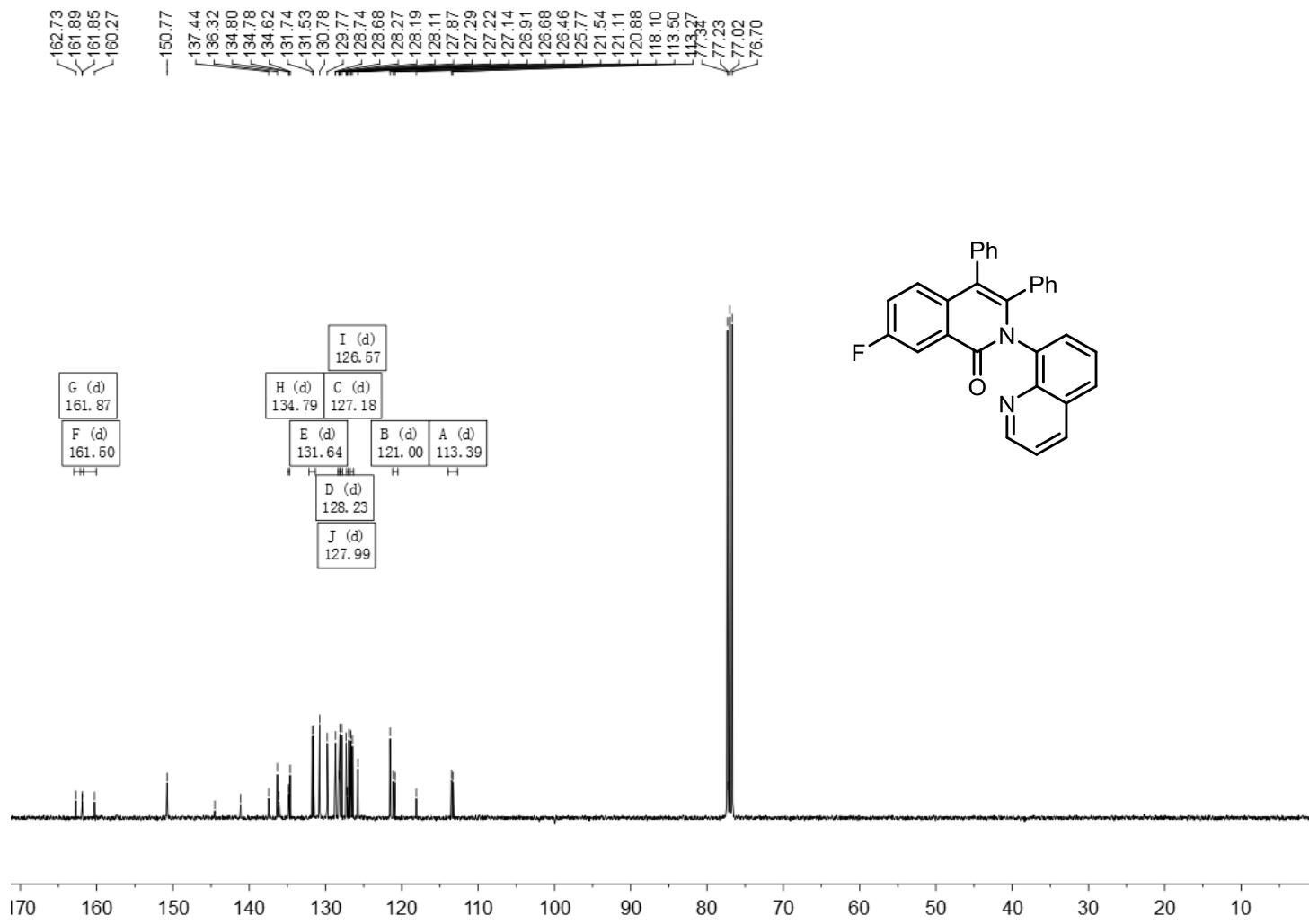




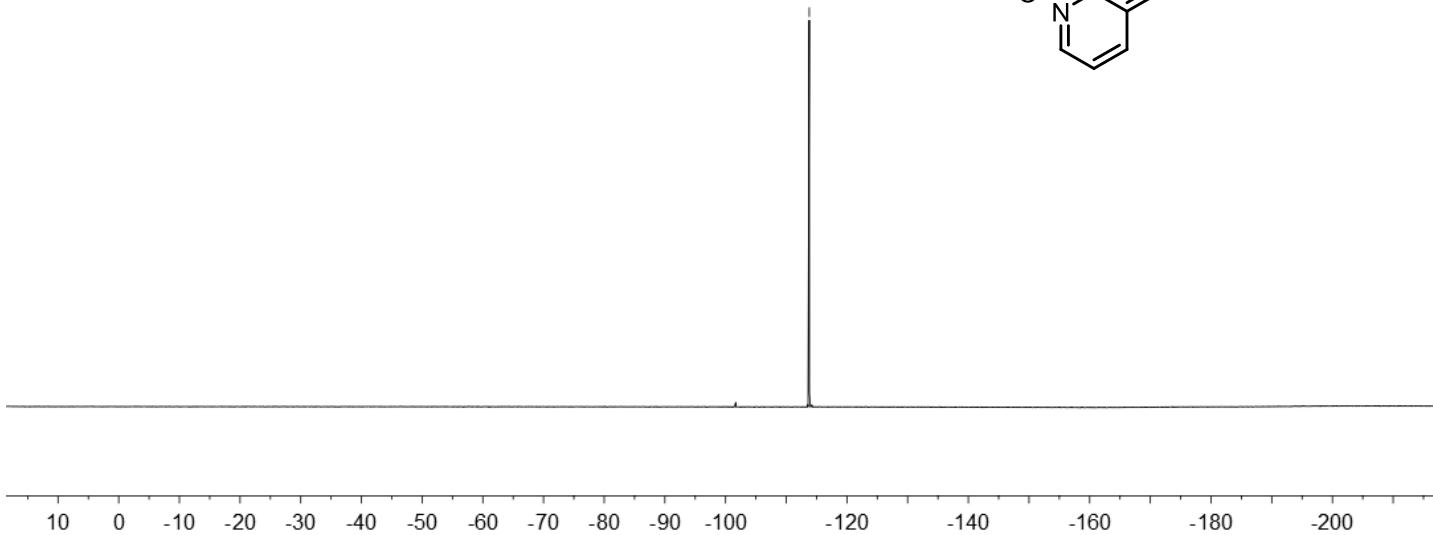
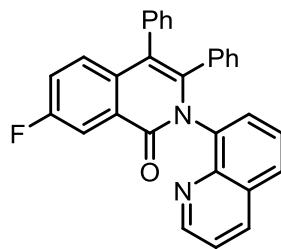


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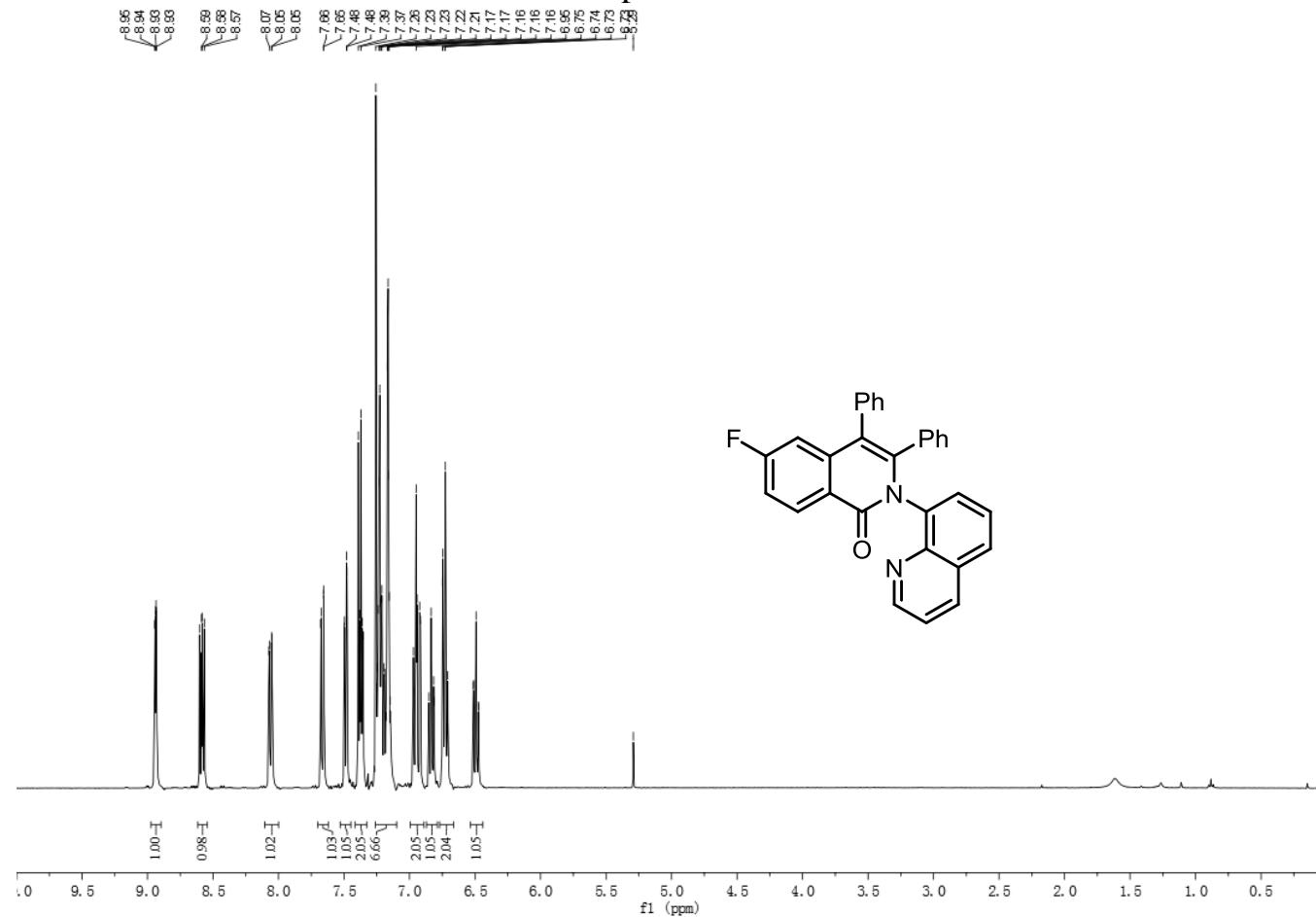


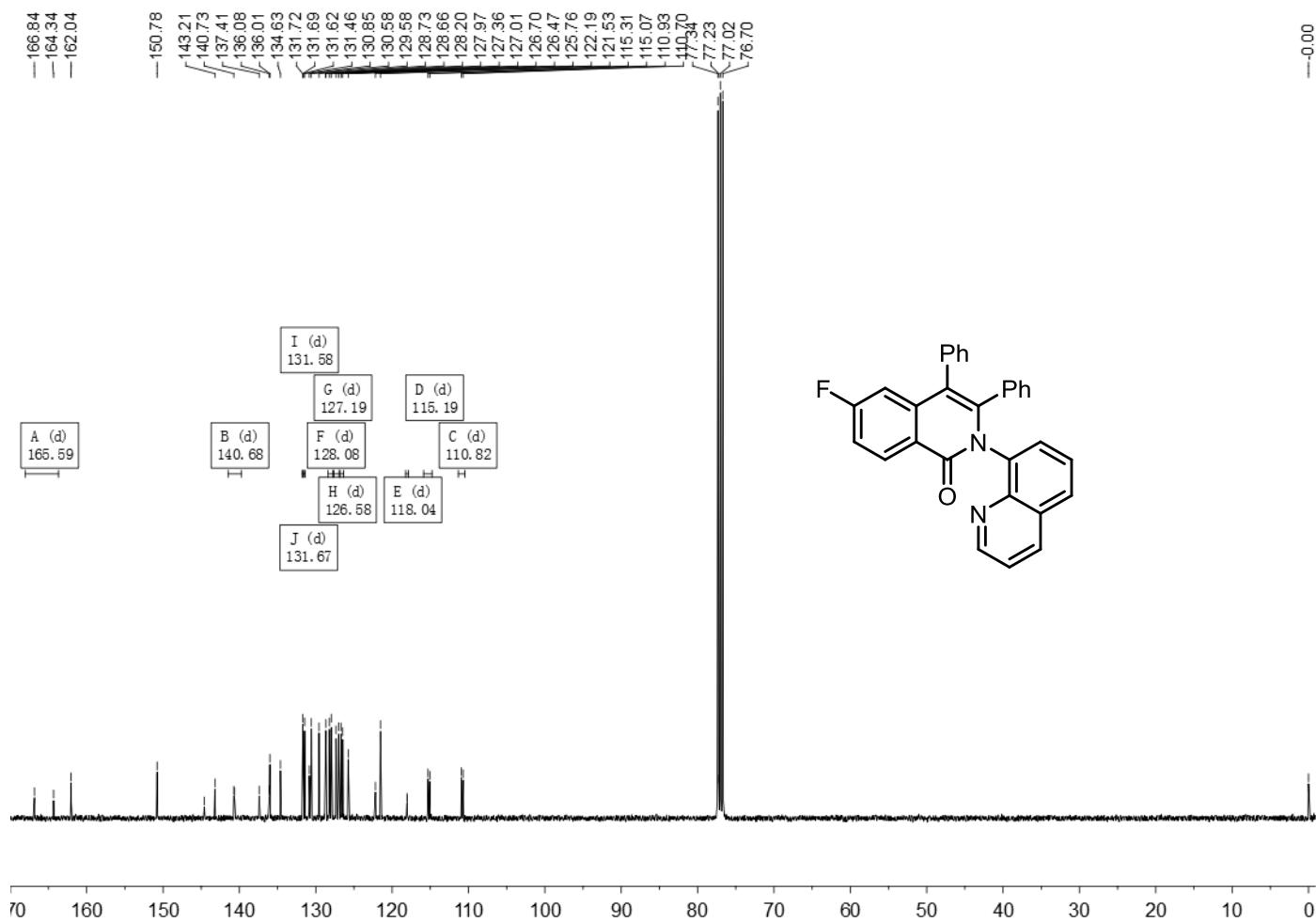


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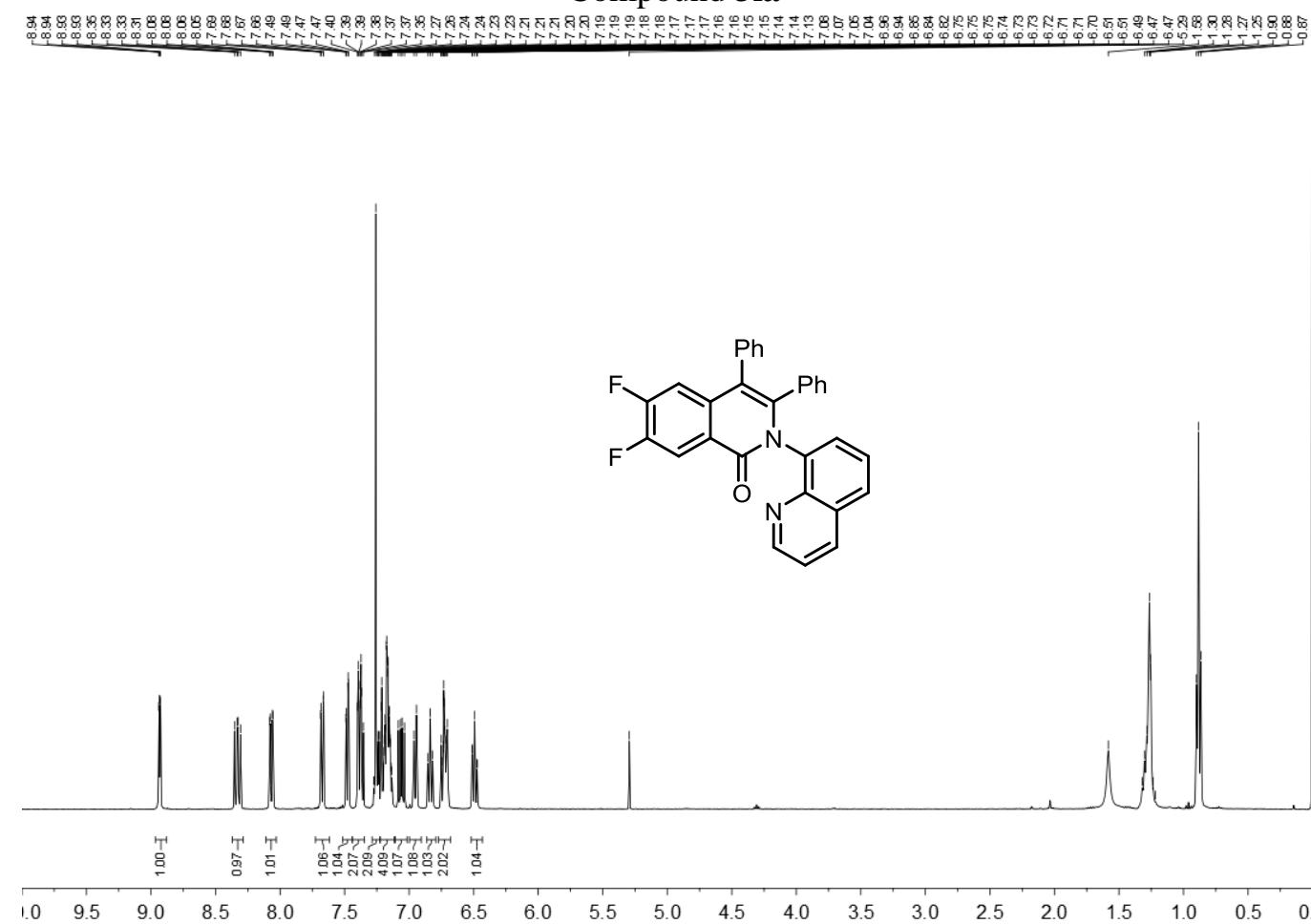


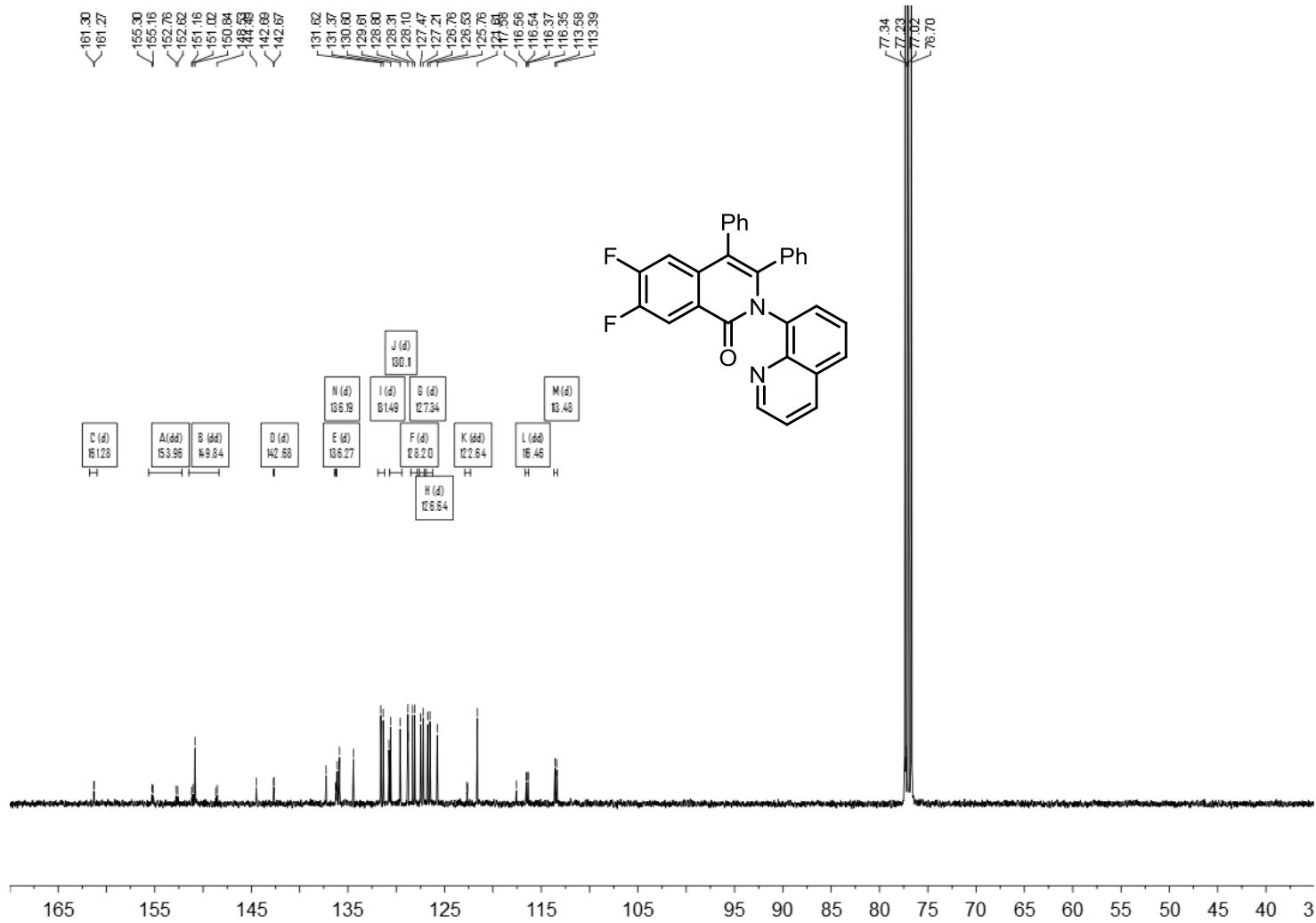
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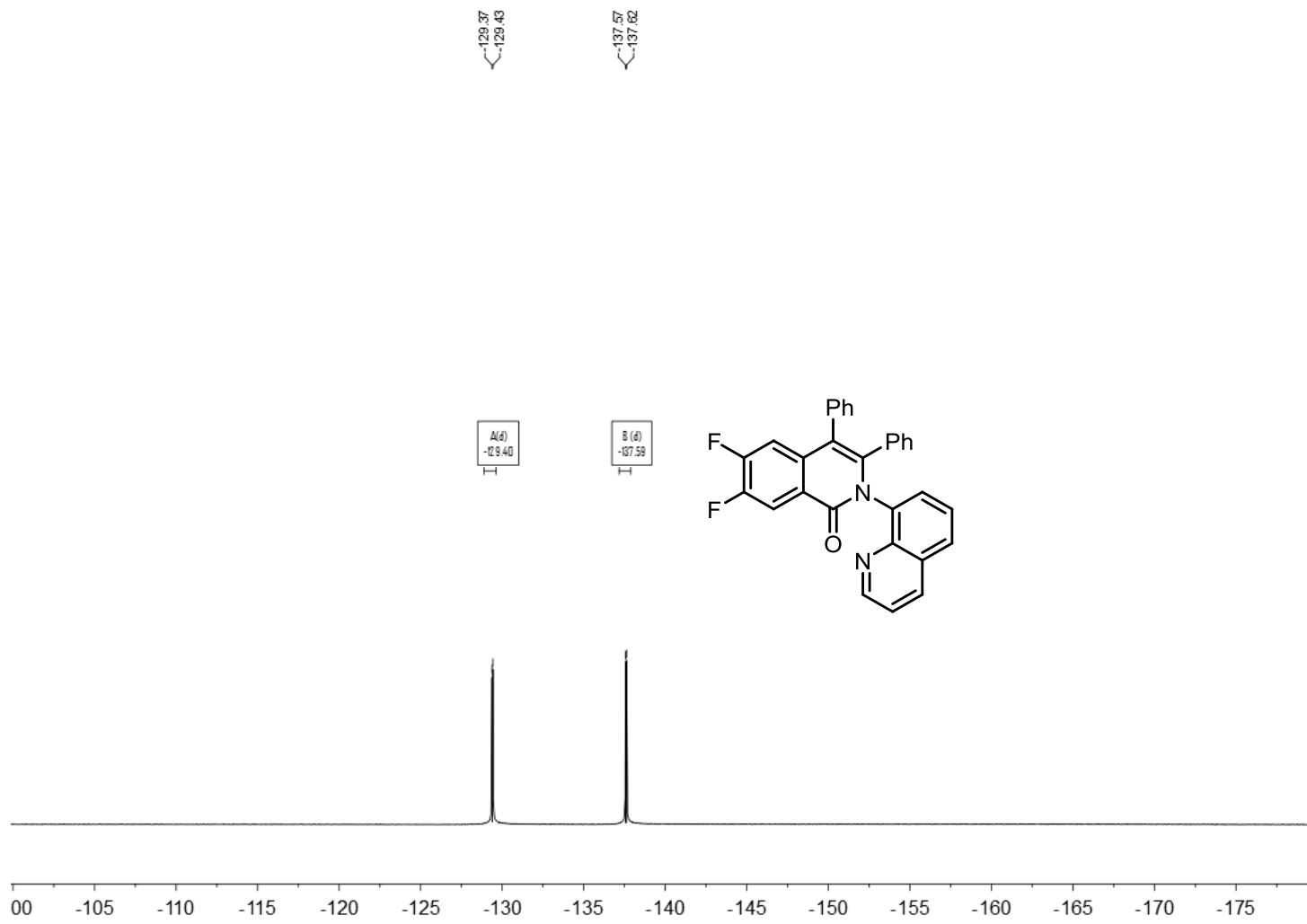




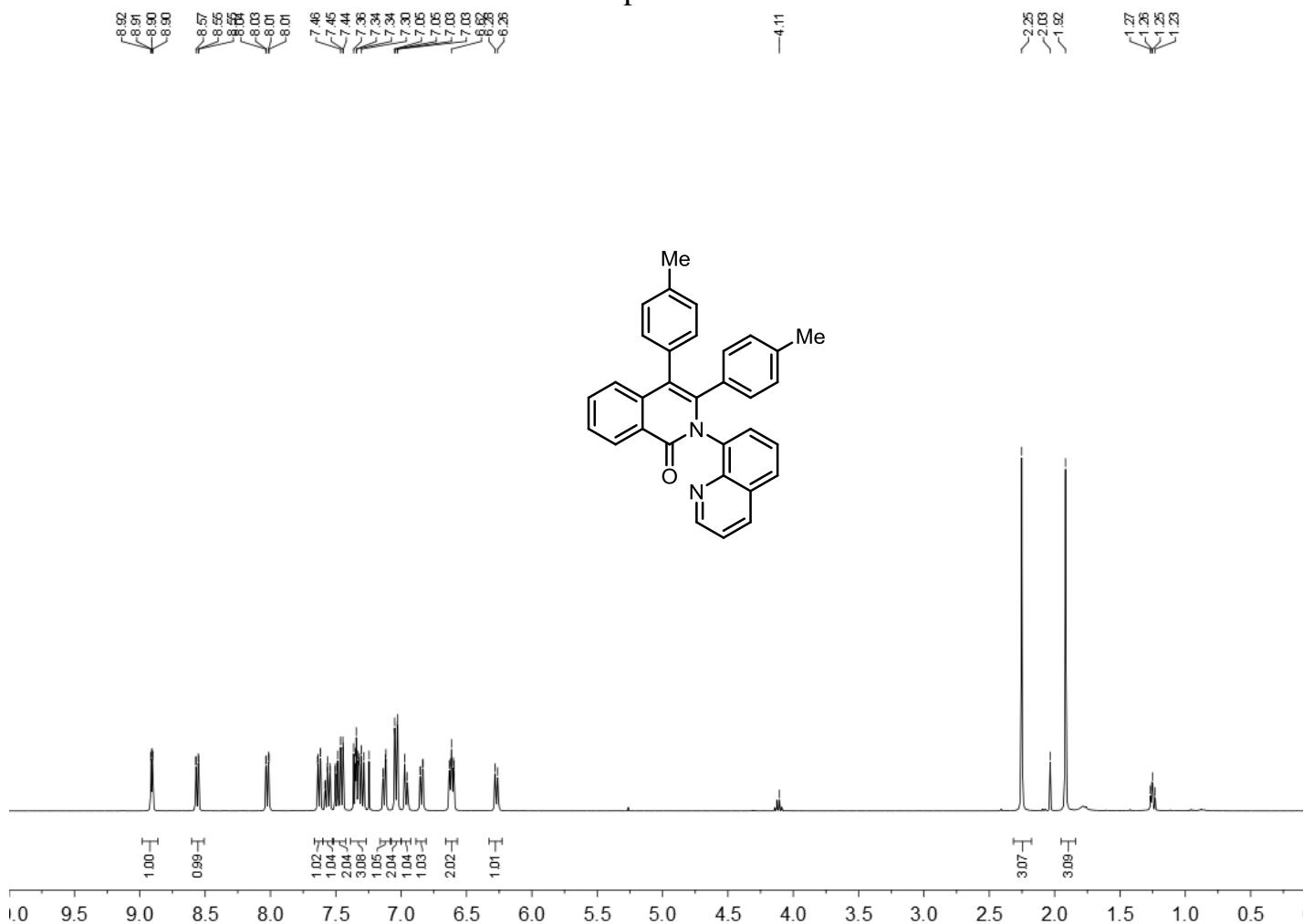
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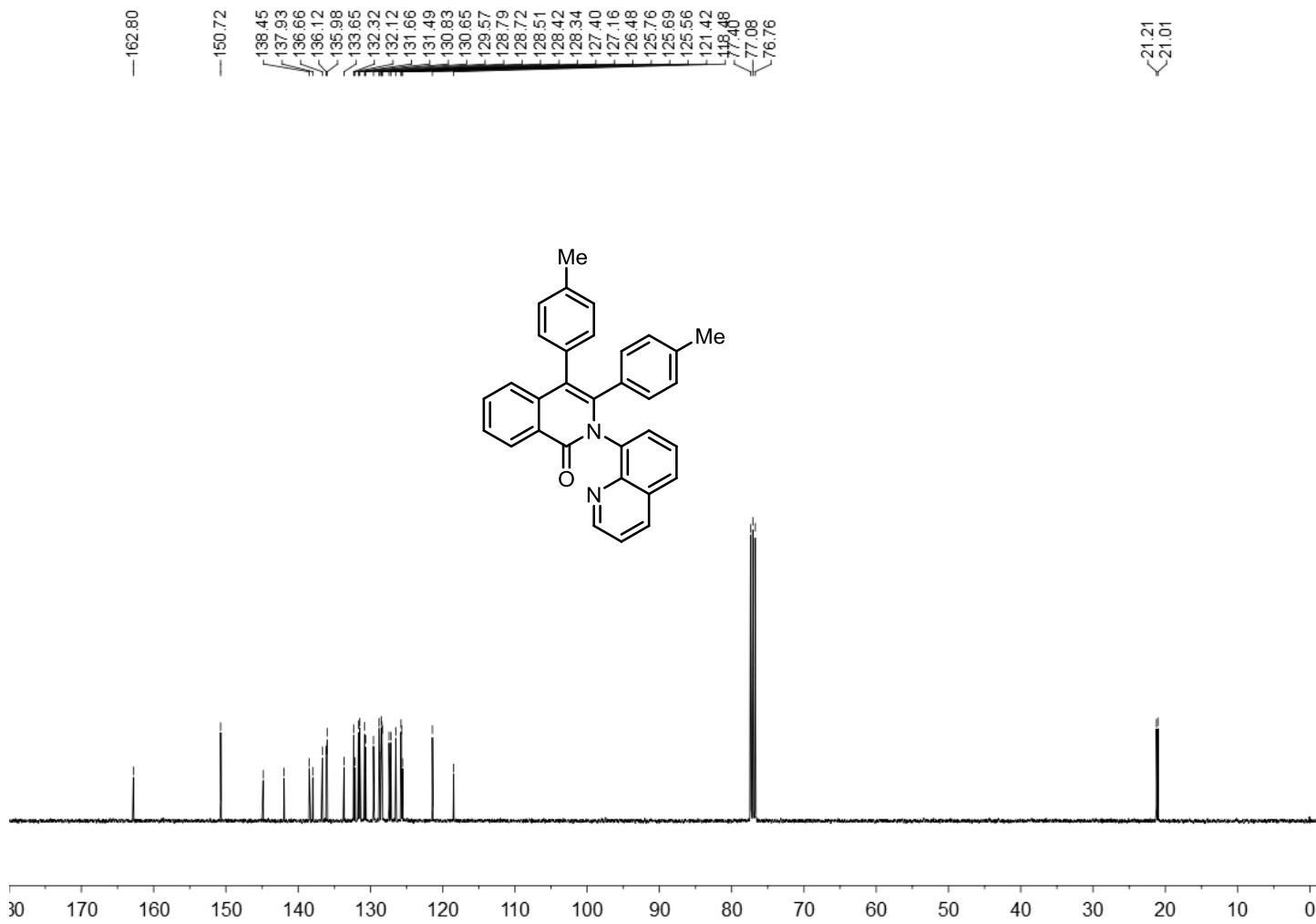




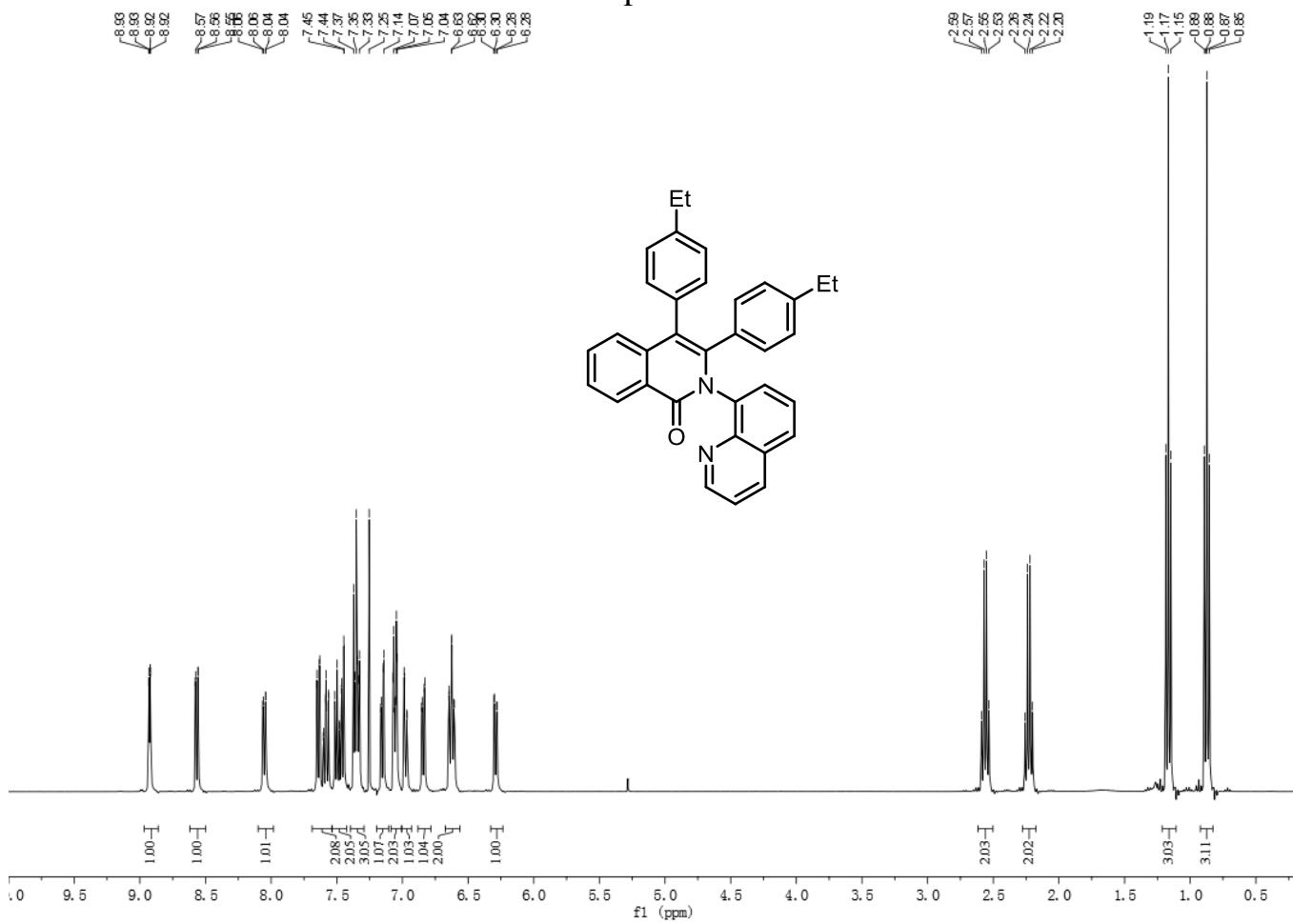


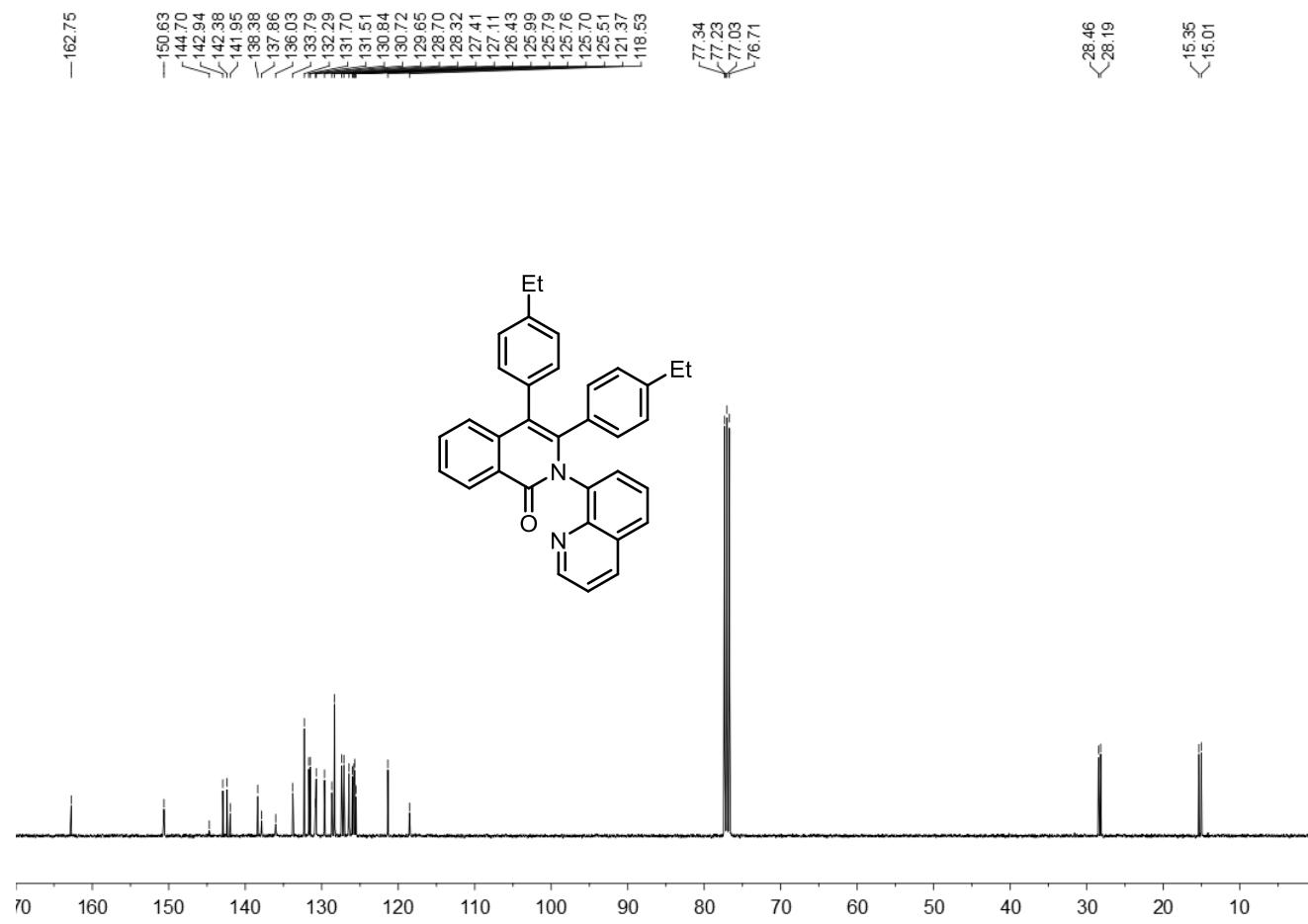
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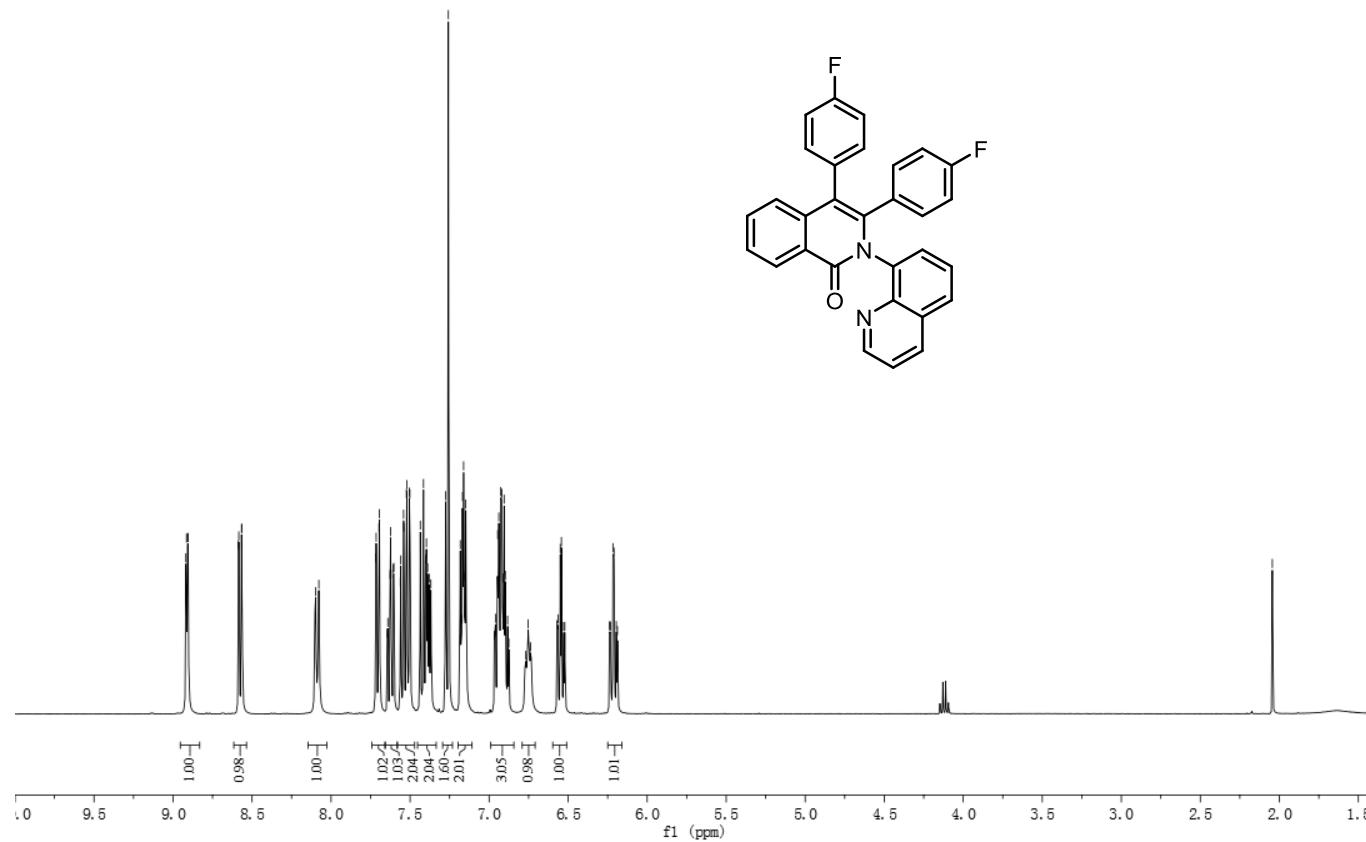
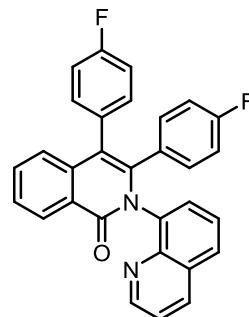


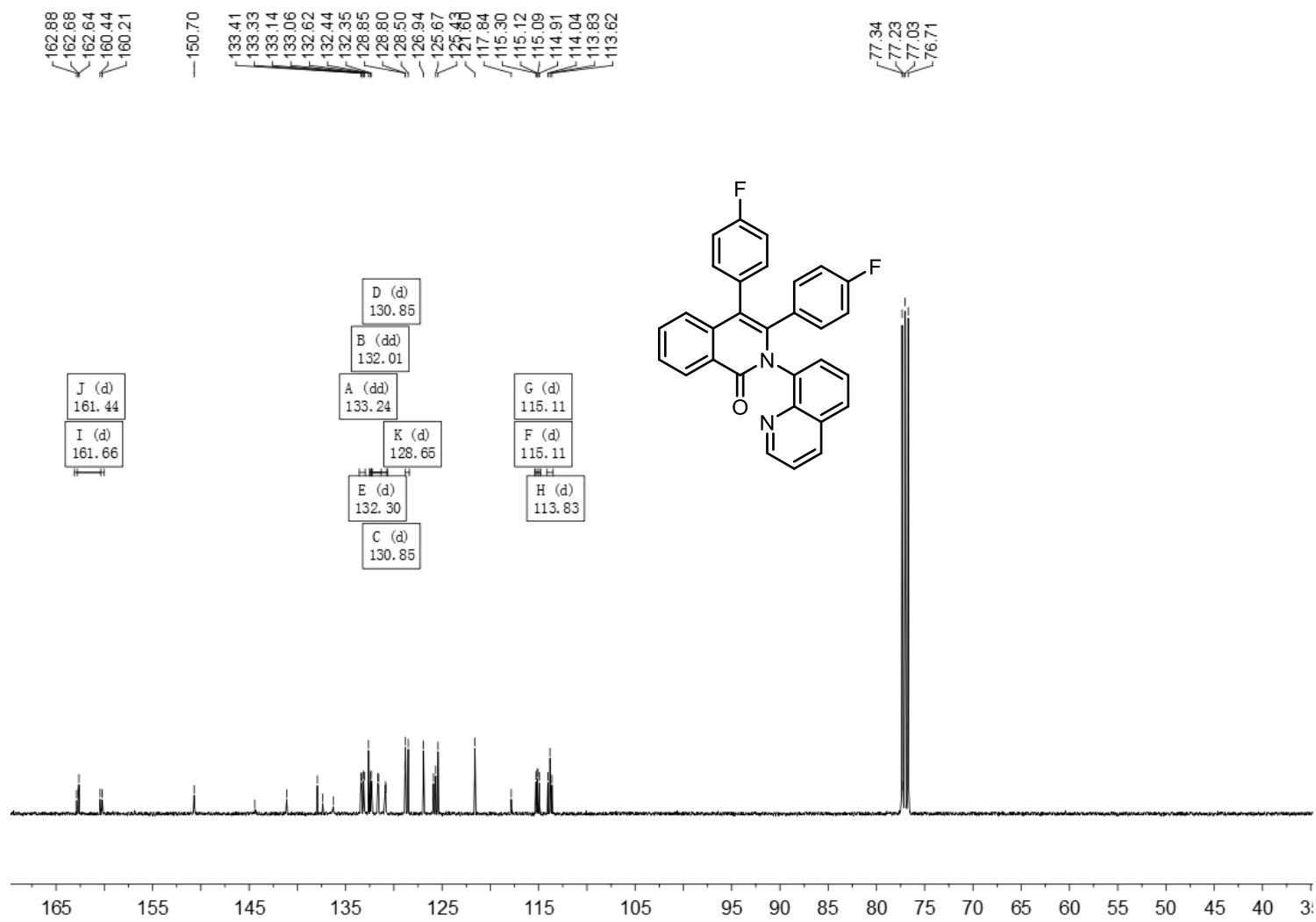
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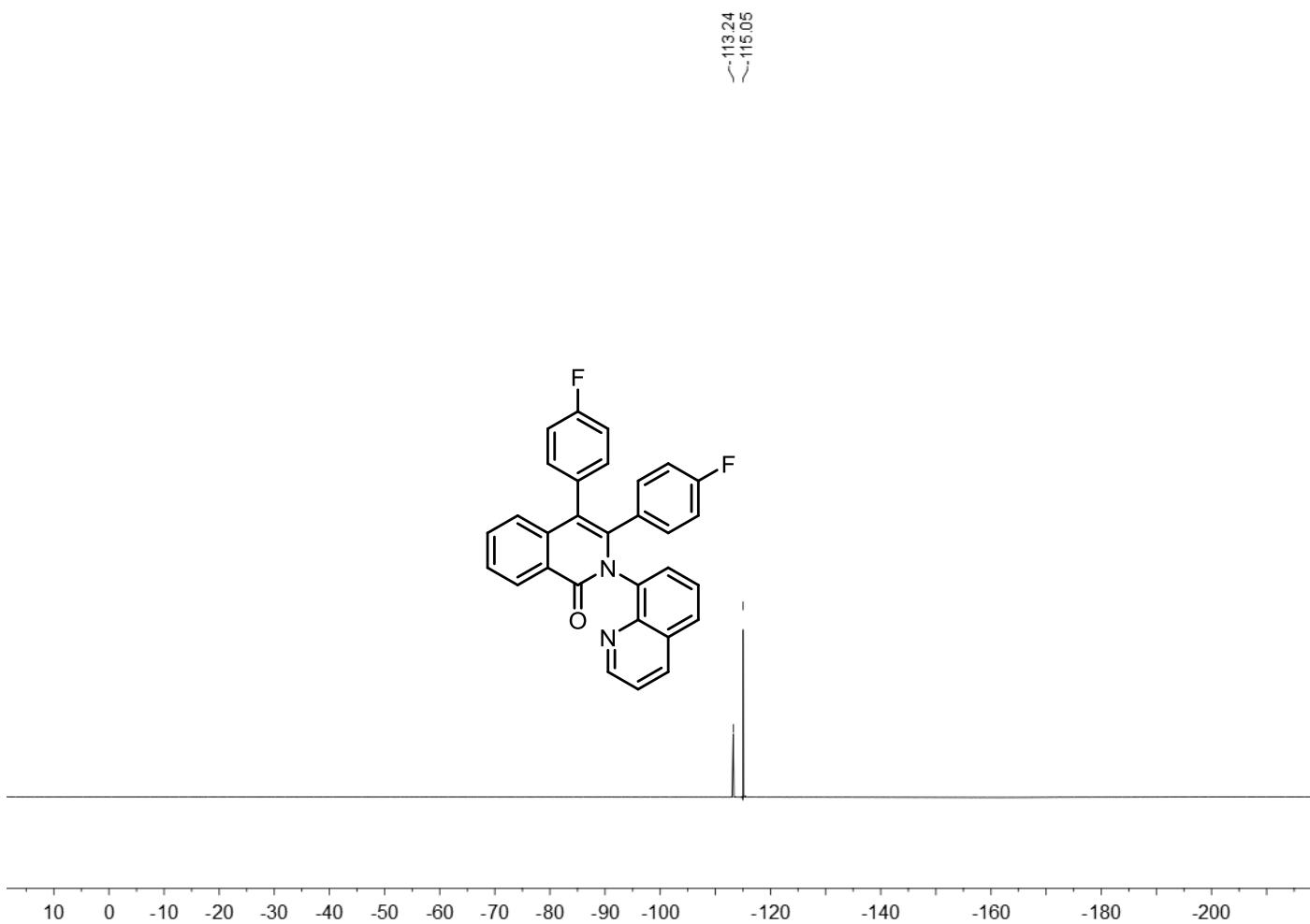




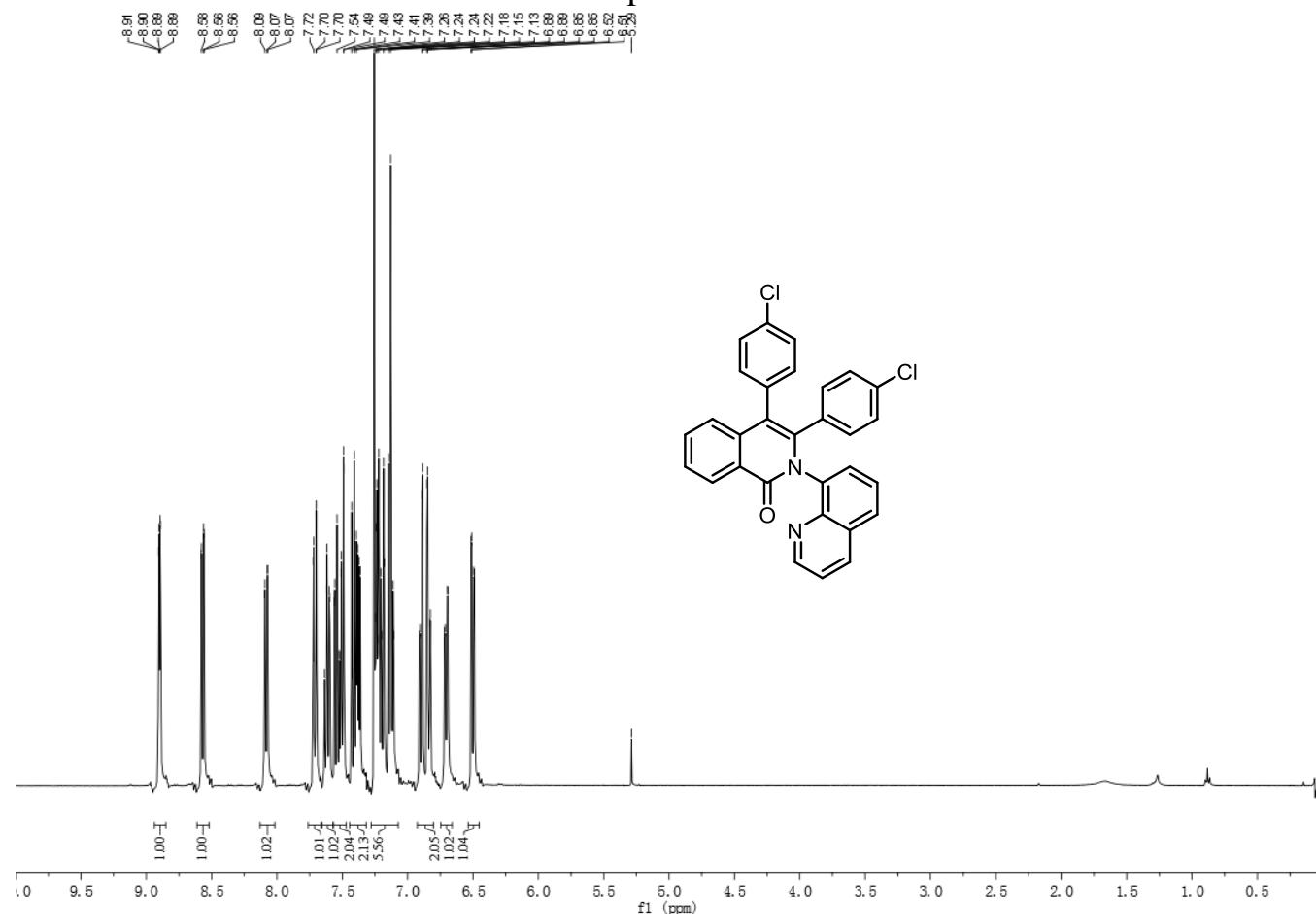
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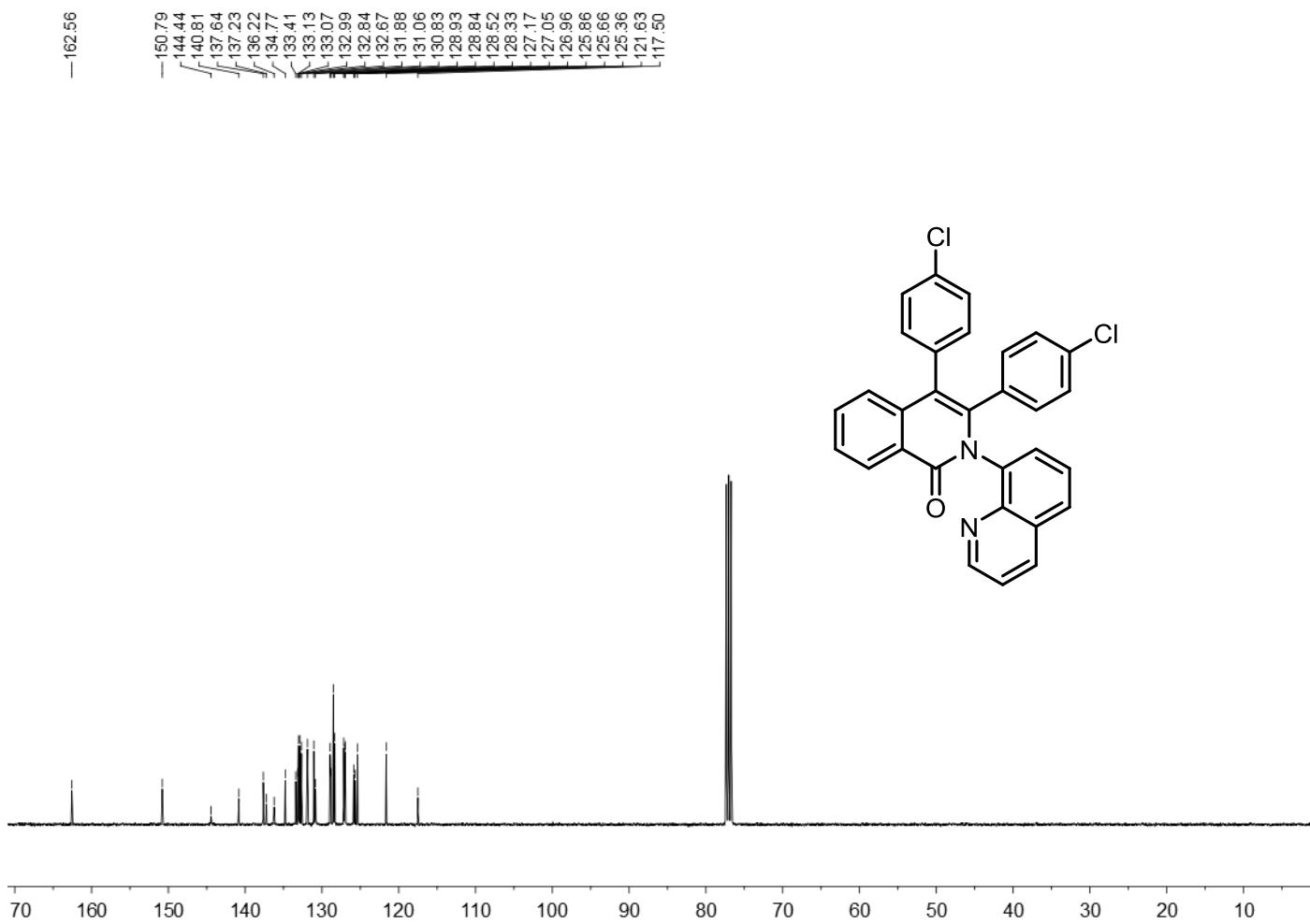




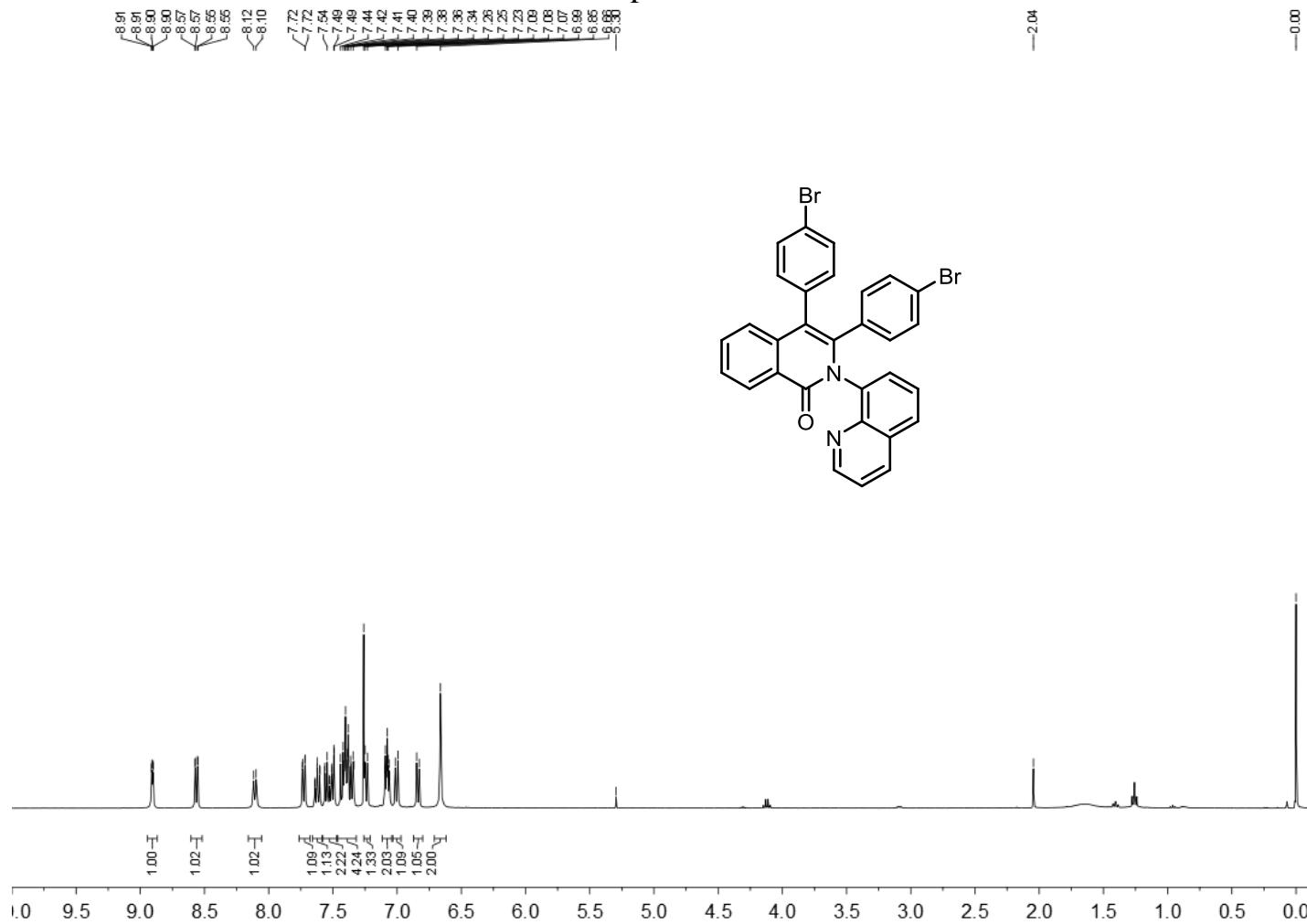


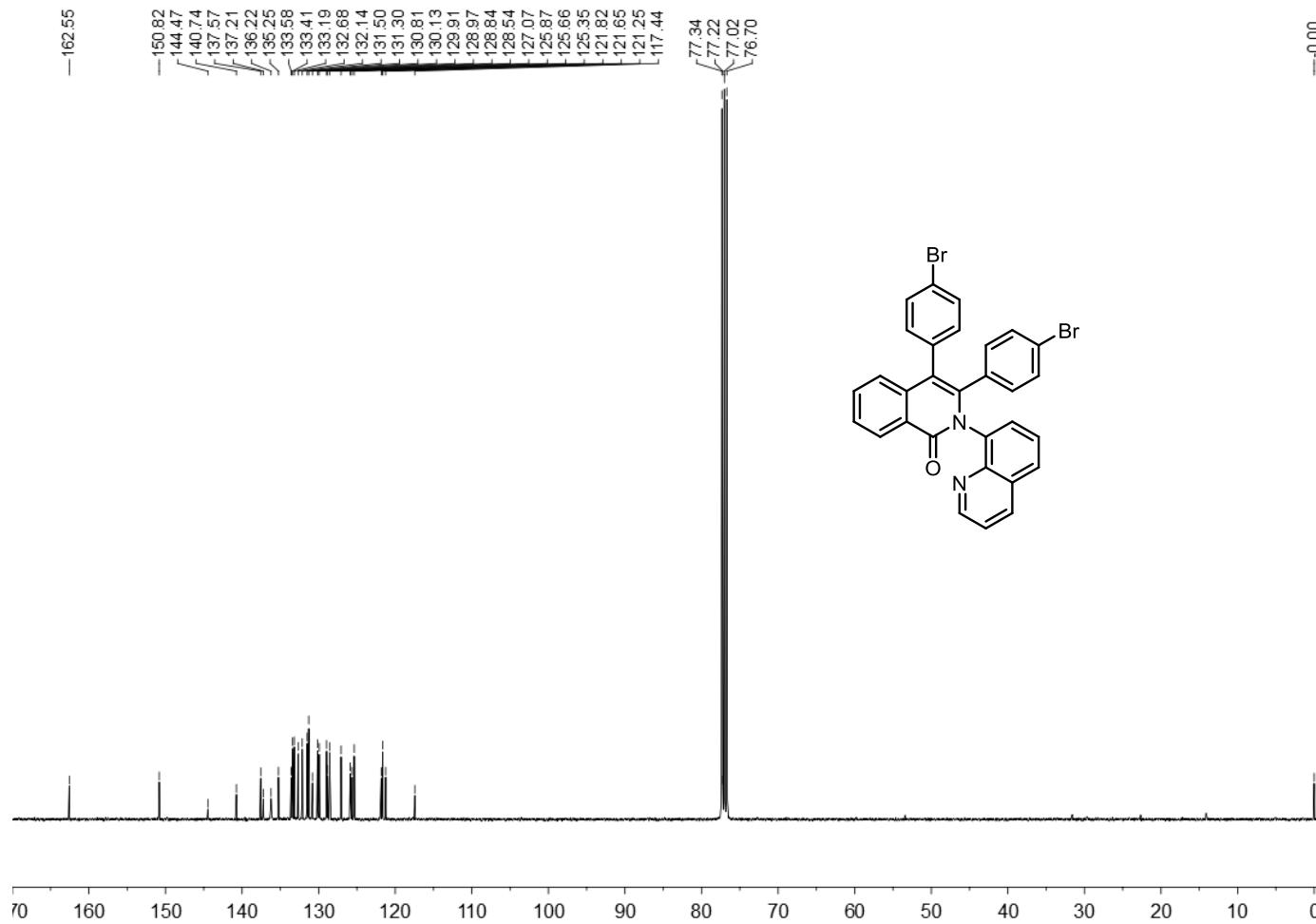
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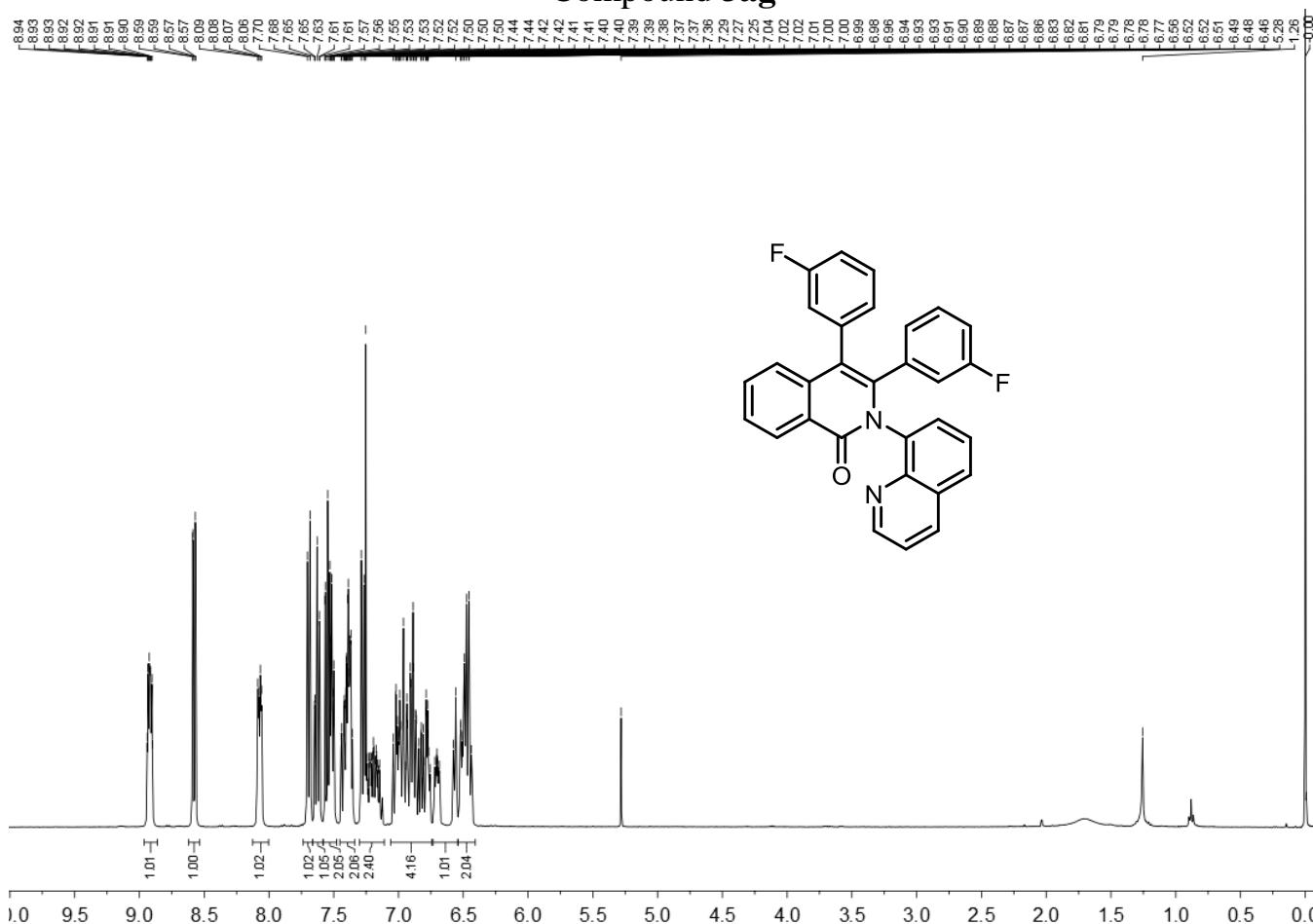
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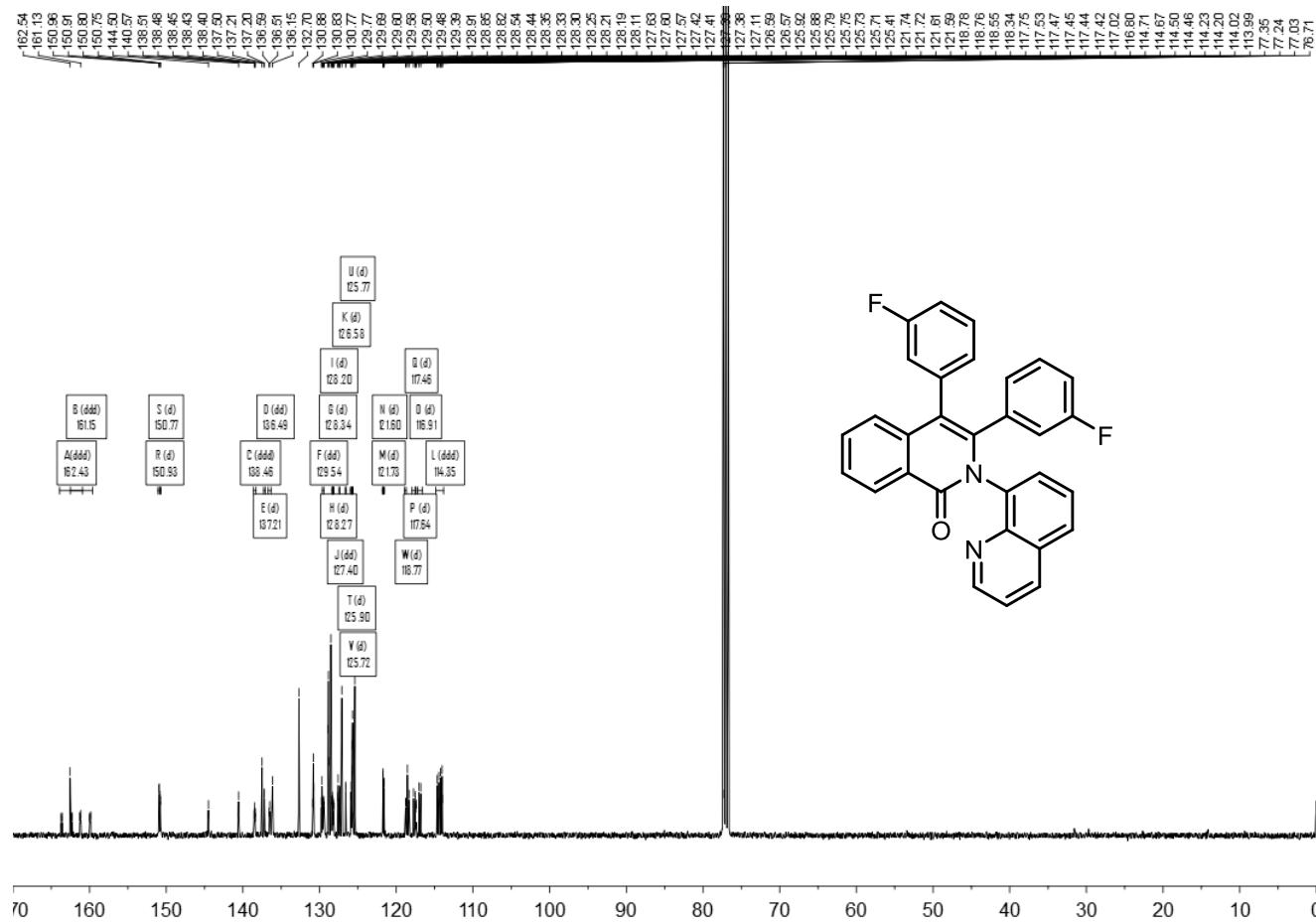




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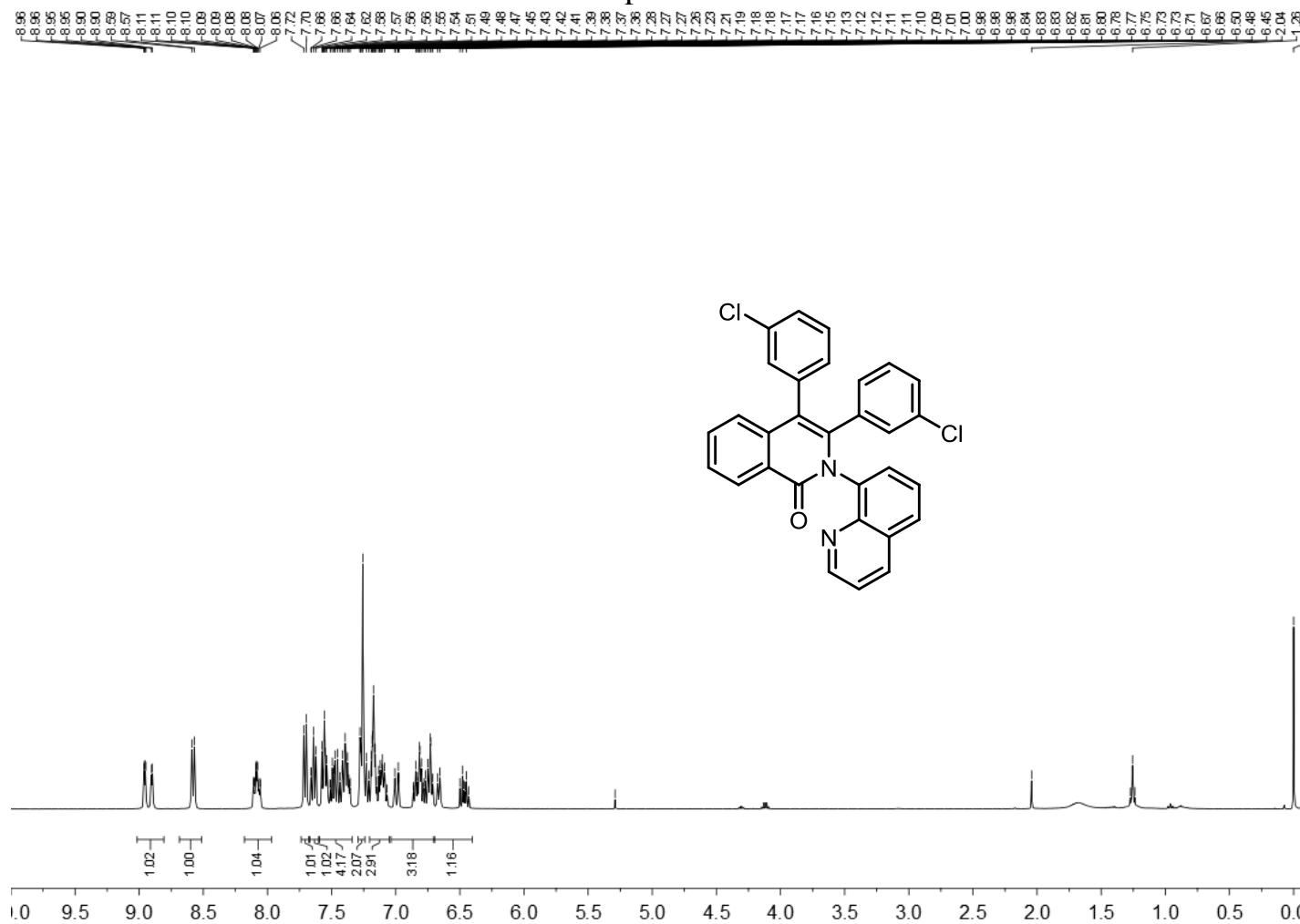
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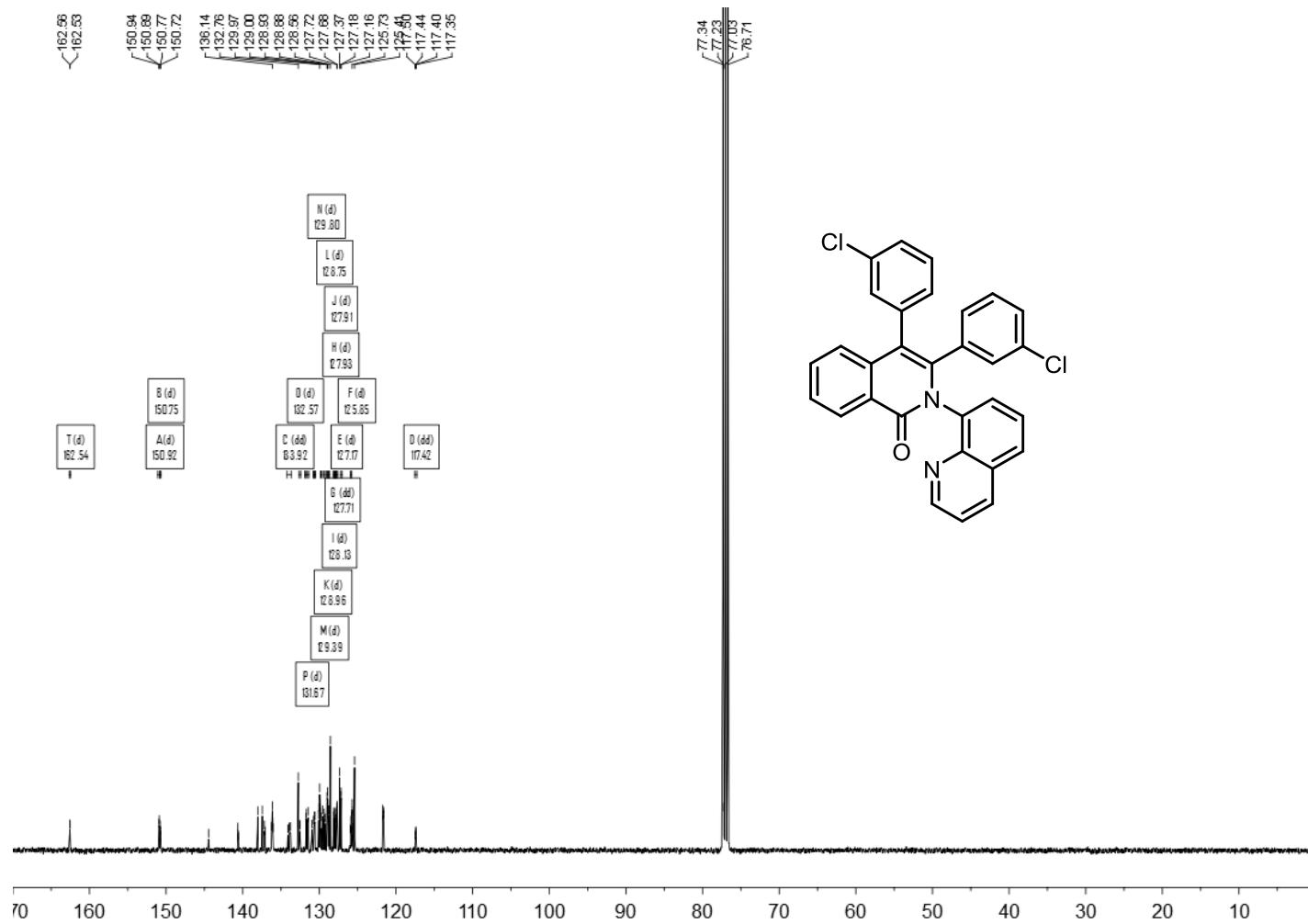




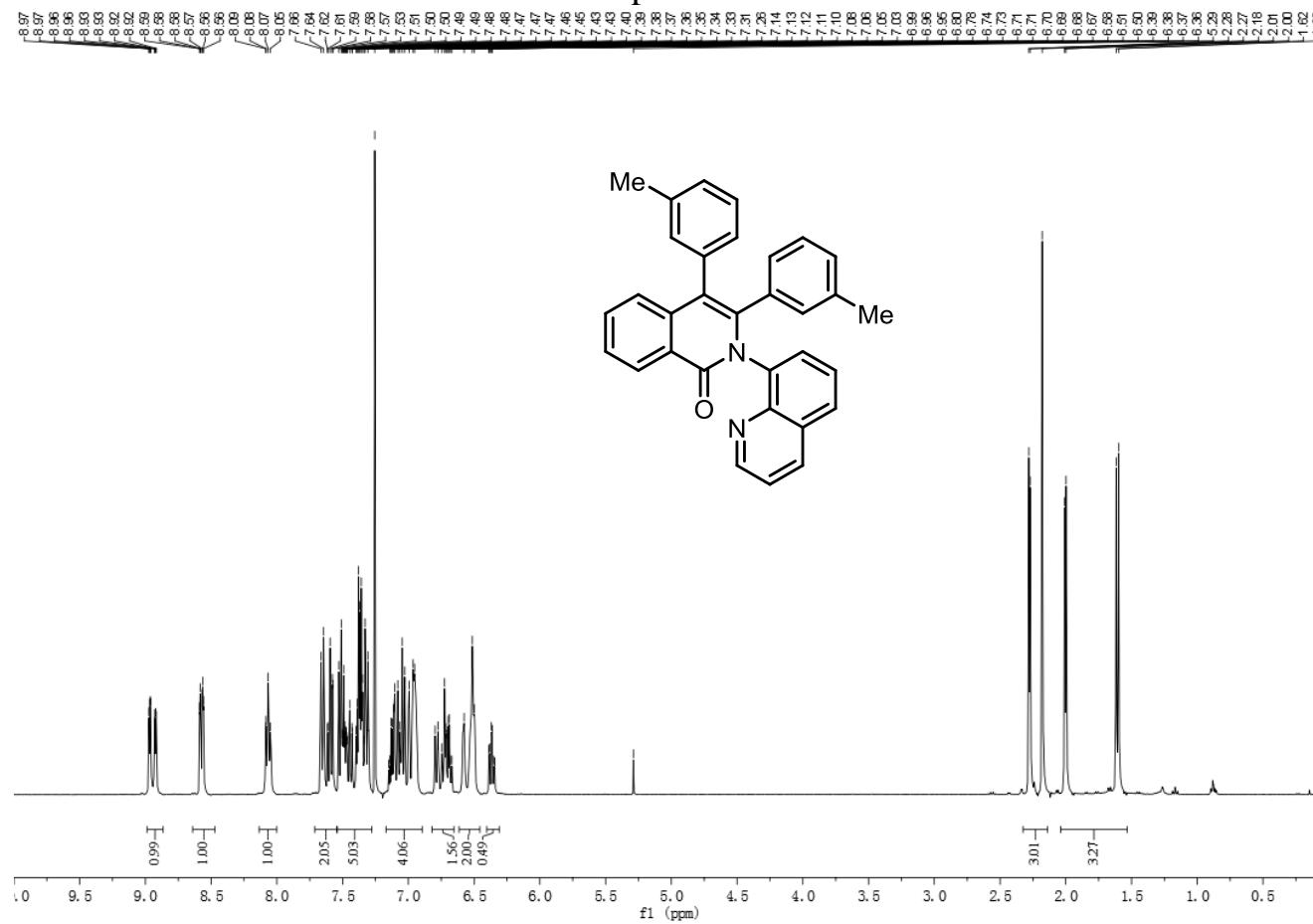


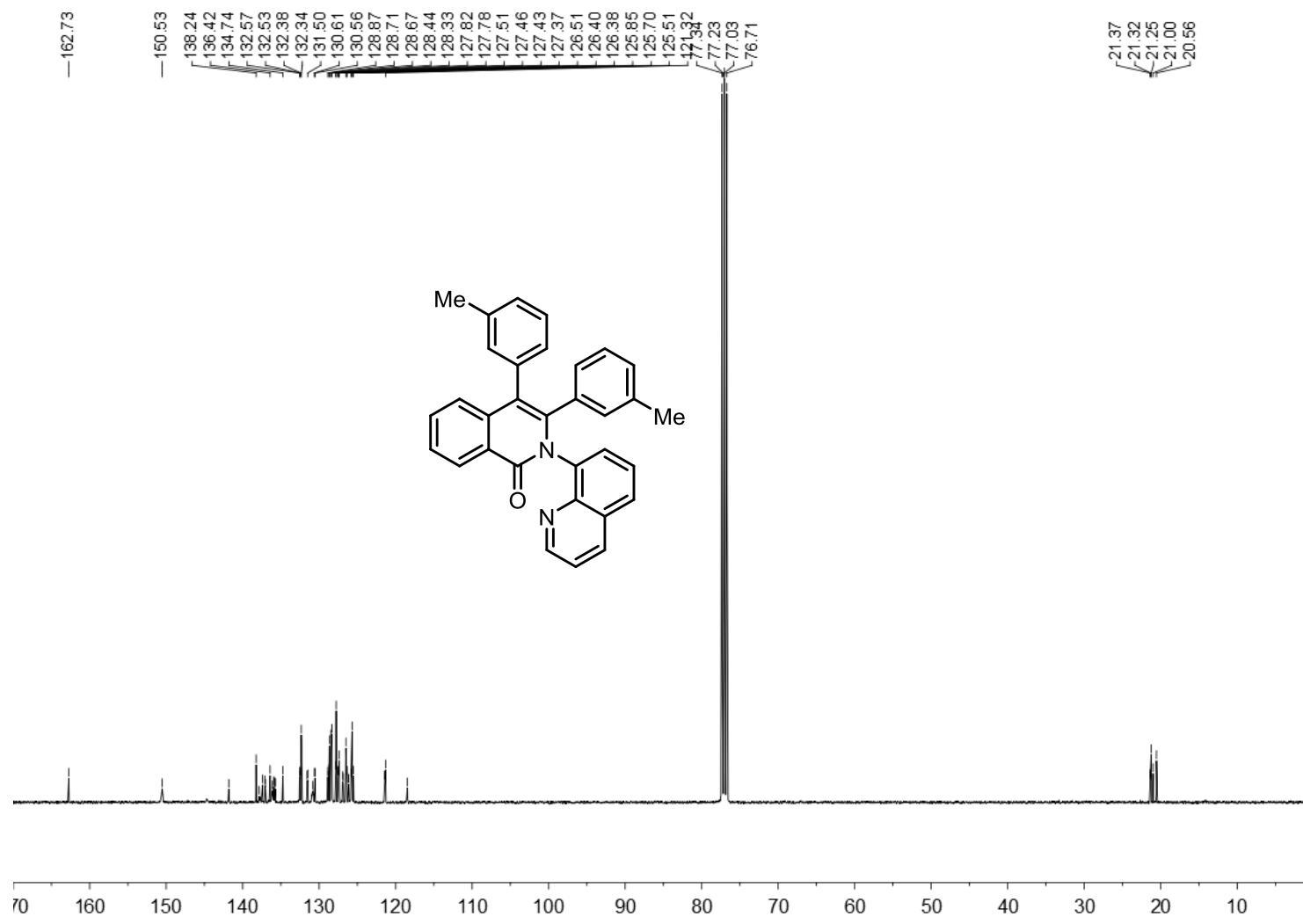
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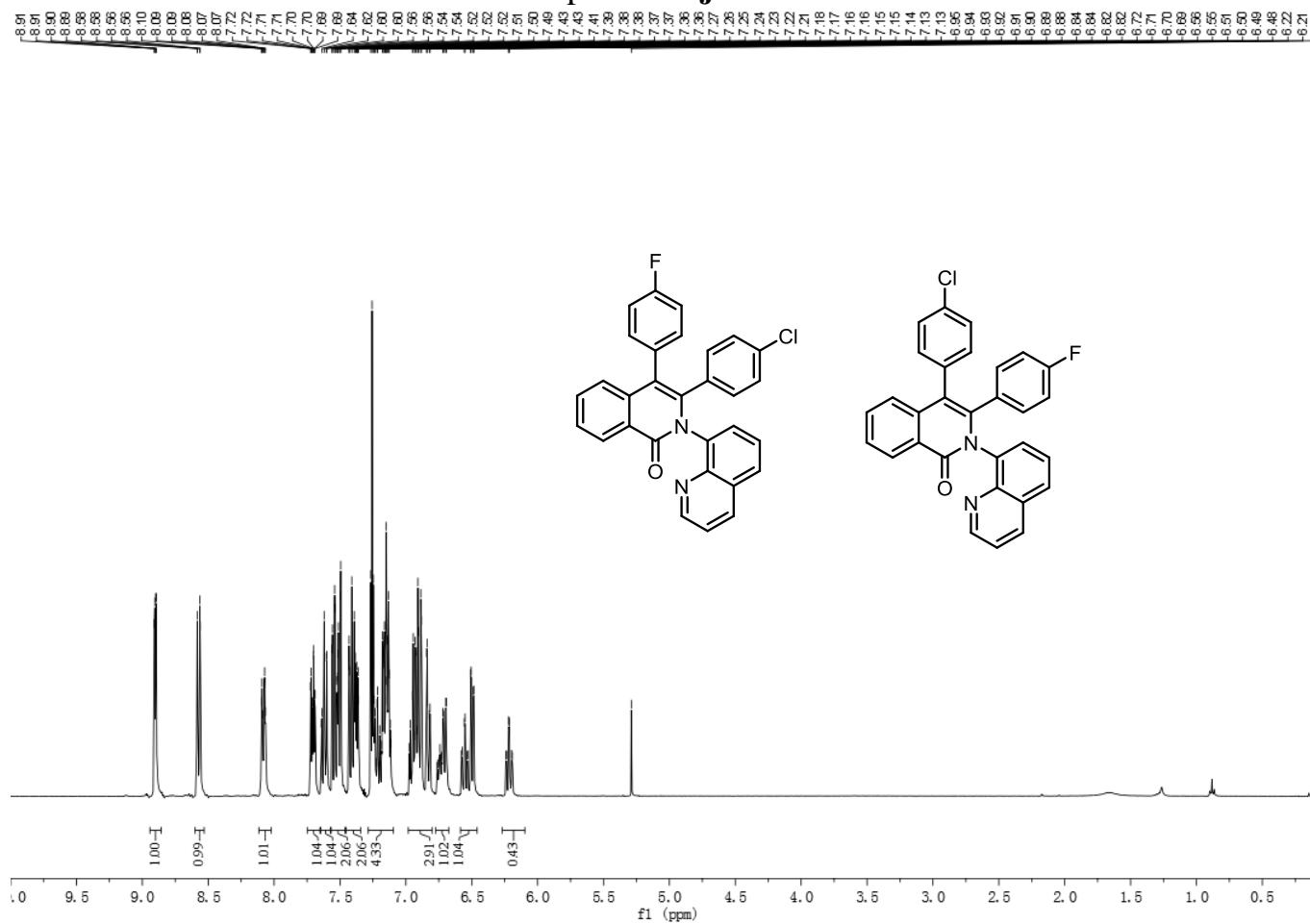


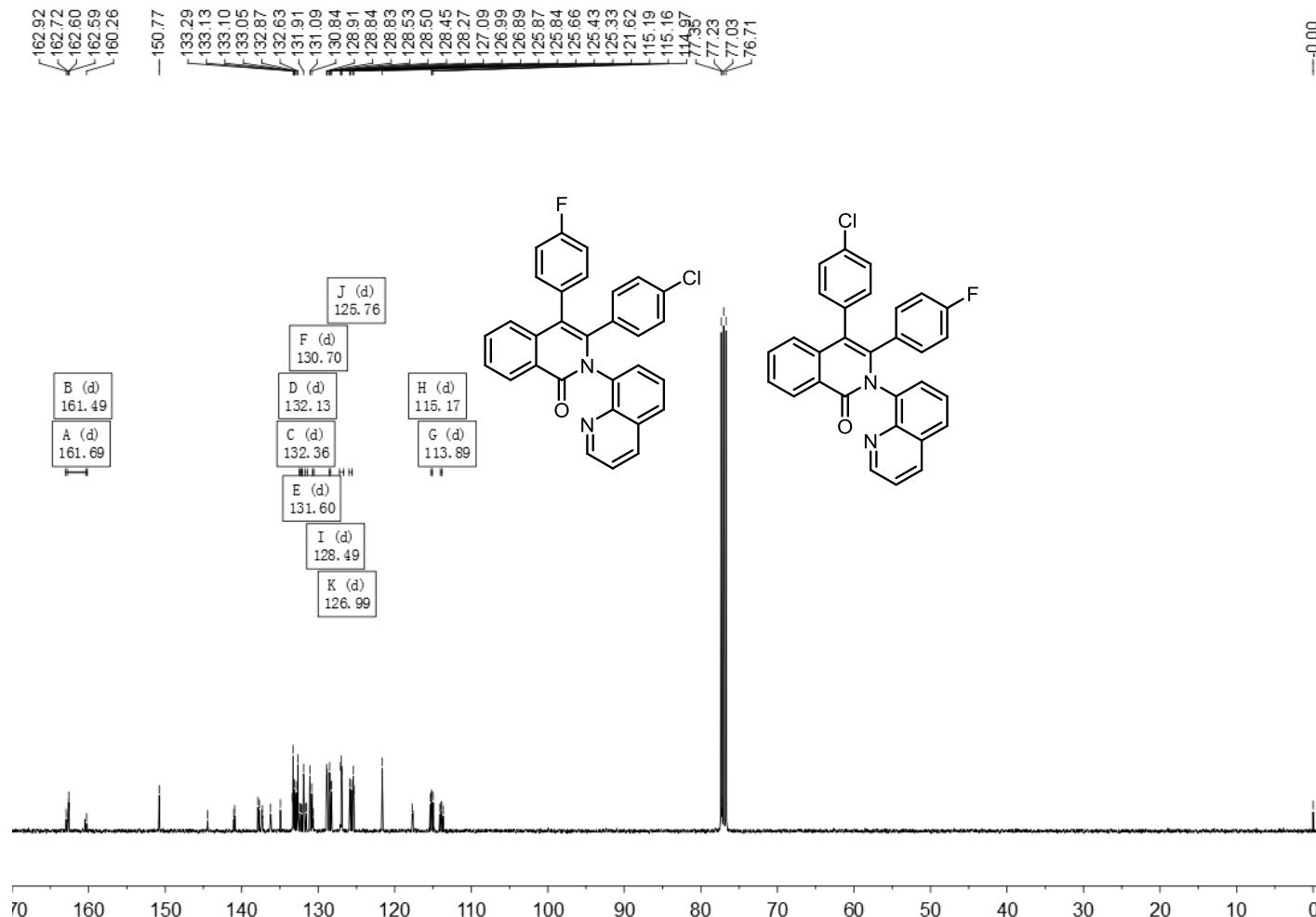
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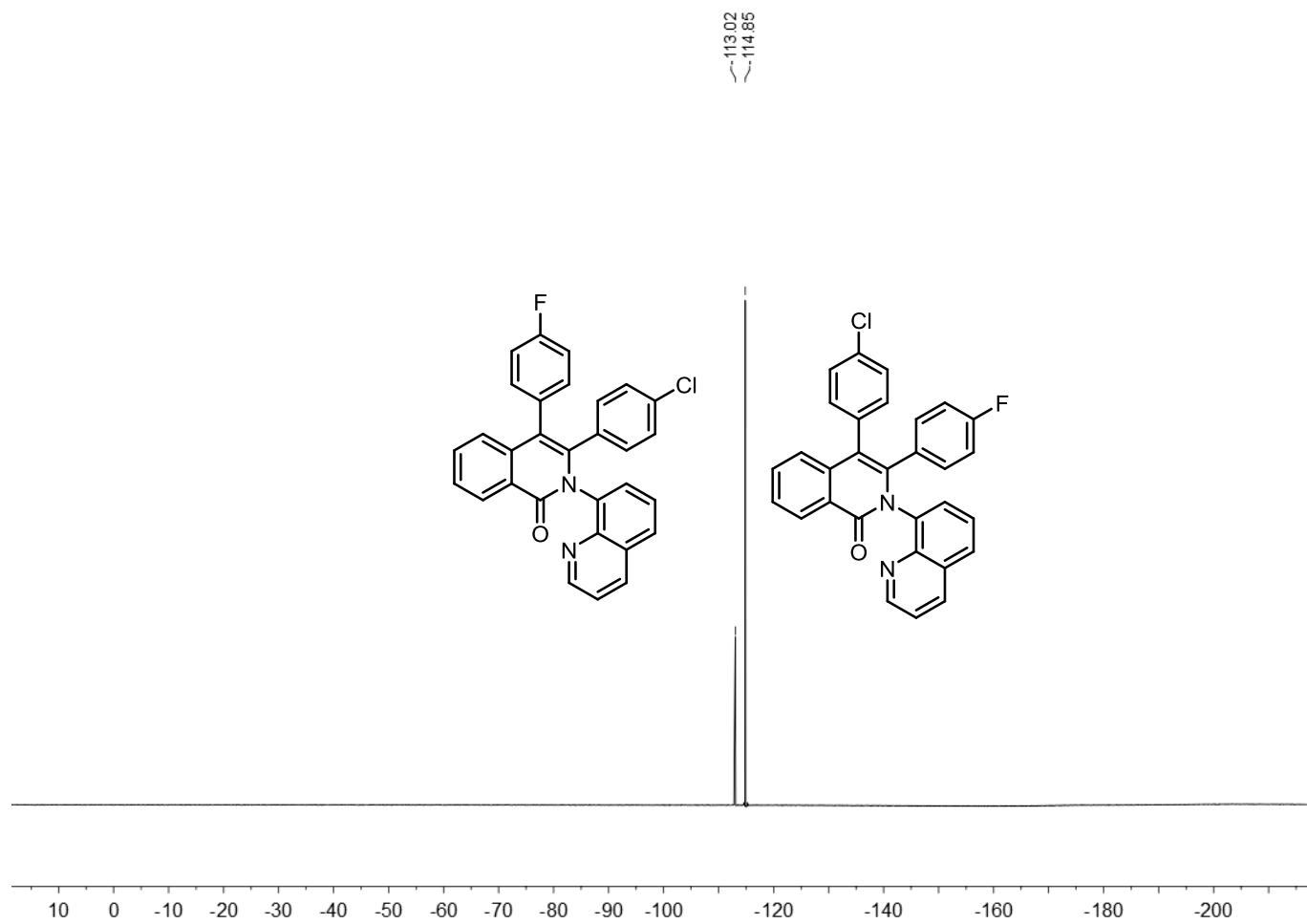




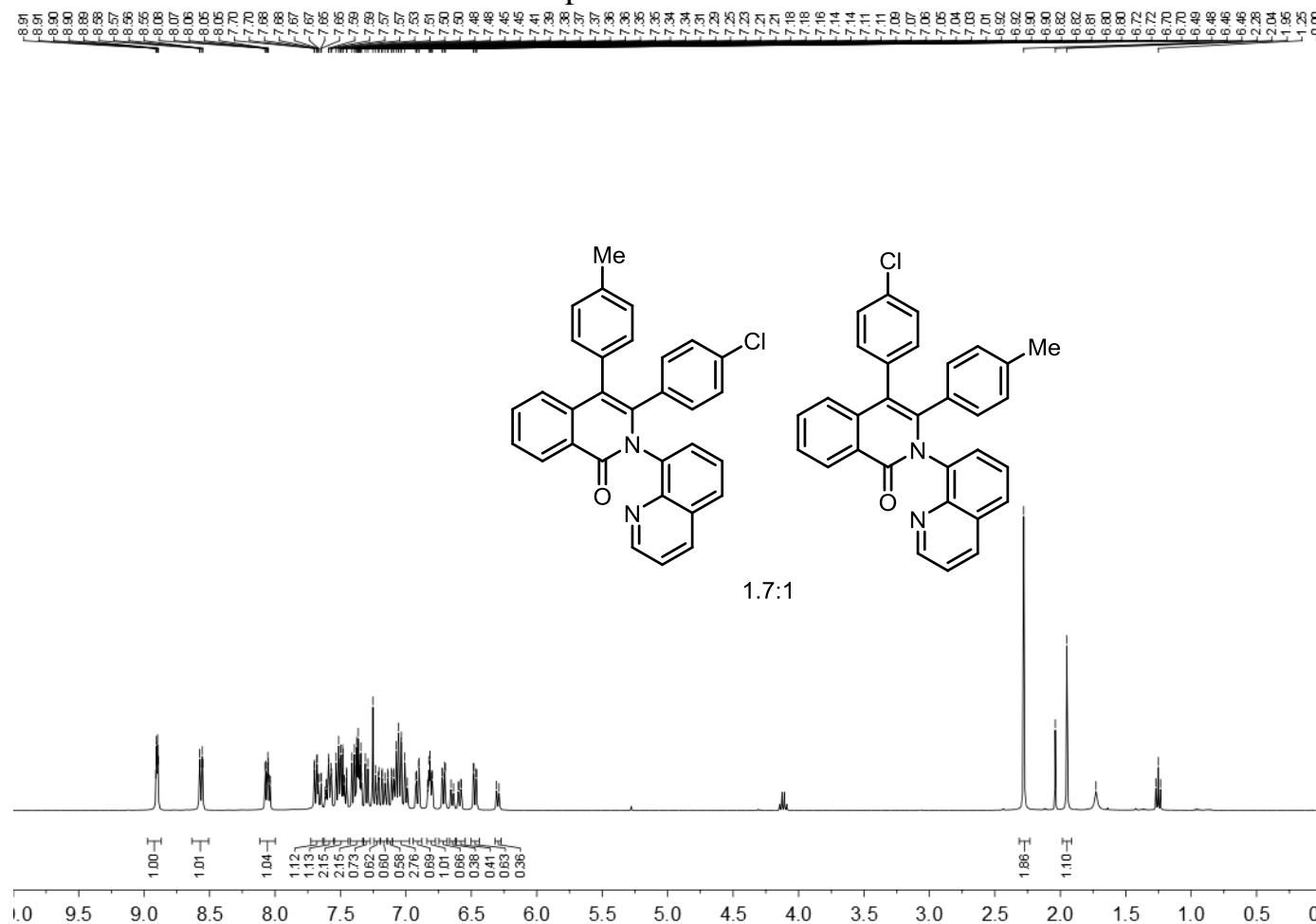
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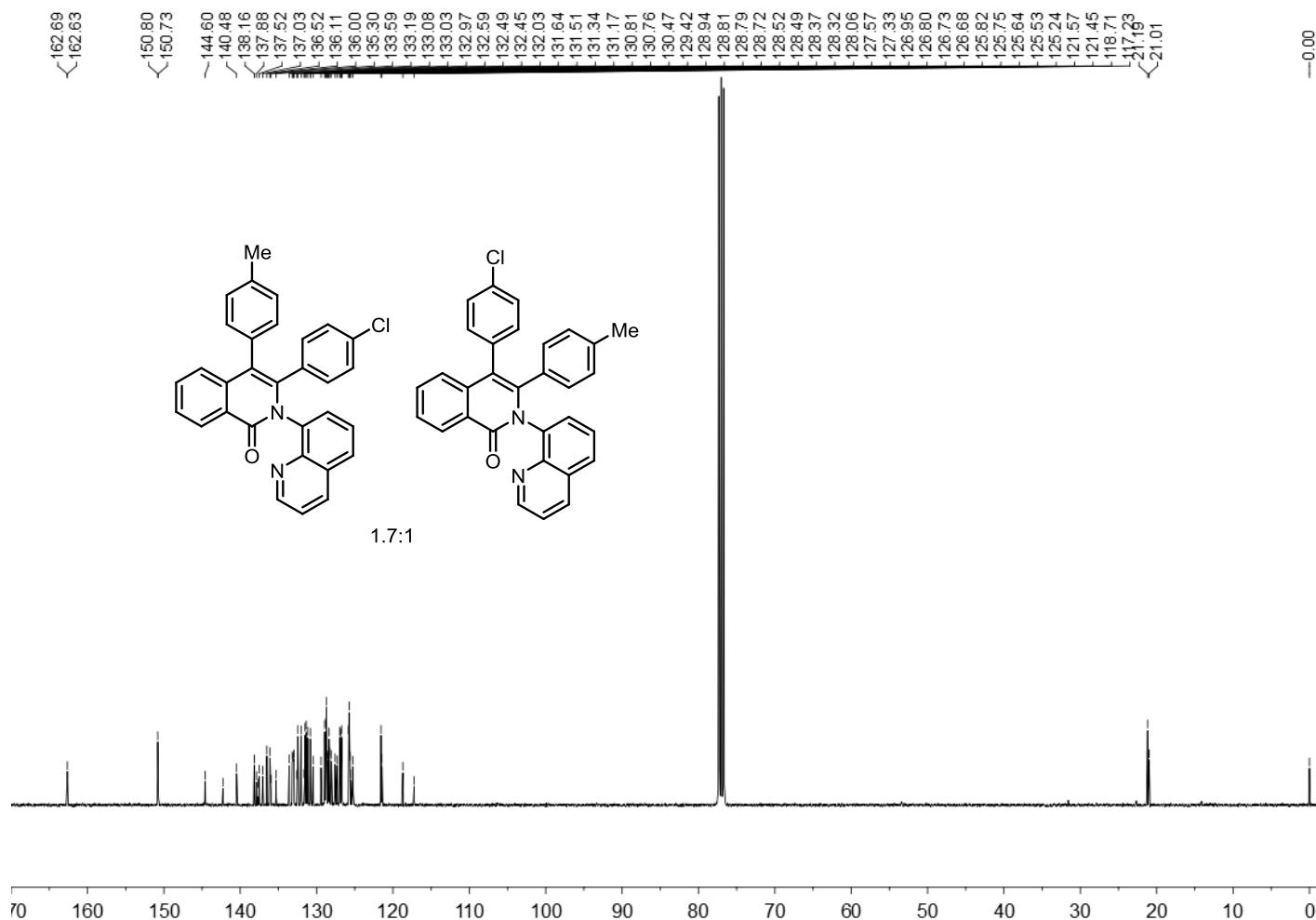






Compound 3al and 3am





Compound 3an

