

Supporting Information

Metal-Free Synthesis of 3-Chalcogenyl Chromones from Alkynyl

Aryl Ketones and Diorganyl Diselenides / Disulfides

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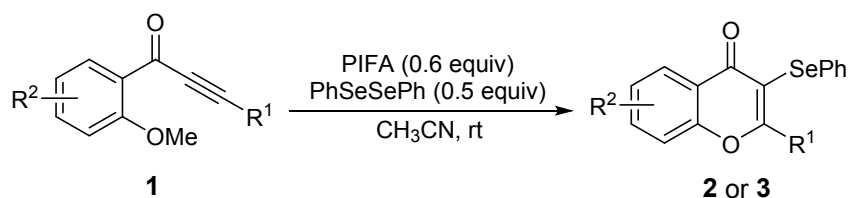
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1. General information

^1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra were recorded on a 600 MHz spectrometer at 25 °C. Chemical shifts values are given in ppm and referred as the internal standard to TMS: 0.00 ppm. Data are reported as follows: chemical shift, multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, br = broad, m = multiplet). The coupling constants J , are reported in Hertz (Hz). High resolution mass spectrometry (HRMS) was obtained on a Q-TOF micro spectrometer. Melting points were determined with a Micromelting point apparatus. TLC plates were visualized by exposure to ultraviolet light.

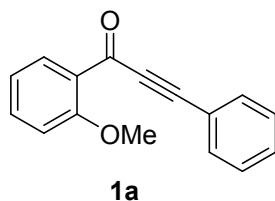
Reagents and solvents were purchased as reagent grade and were used without further purification. The starting materials **1** were prepared according to literature methods.¹ Flash column chromatography was performed over silica gel (200-300 m) using a mixture of ethyl acetate (EtOAc) and petroleum ether (PE).

2. General Procedure for the Cyclization Process



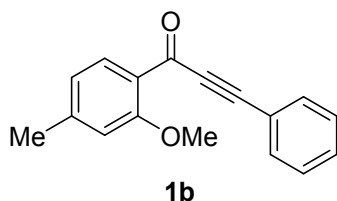
To a solution of PhSeSePh (0.5 mmol) in MeCN (10 mL) was added PIFA (0.6 mmol) at rt. The mixture was stirred for 5 min. Then substrate **1** (1.0 mmol) was added to this solution in one portion and the reaction mixture was stirred for another 15 min until the completion of the starting material (monitored by TLC). The resulting mixture was purified by flash chromatography to afford the corresponding 3-chalcogenyl chromone/thiochromones **2 or 3**.

3. Spectral Data of Substrates and Products



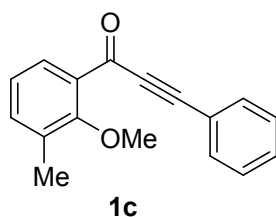
1-(2-Methoxyphenyl)-3-(*o*-tolyl)prop-2-yn-1-one (1a)

Following the general procedure, **1a** was purified by silica gel chromatography (EtOAc/PE = 5/95). Yield: 1.65 g, 70%, yellow liquid. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.08 (dd, $J = 7.8, 1.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.67 – 7.58 (m, 2H), 7.58 – 7.49 (m, 1H), 7.46 – 7.35 (m, 3H), 7.04 (dd, $J = 17.4, 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 3.96 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 176.8, 159.9, 135.1, 133.0, 132.7, 130.5, 128.6, 126.8, 120.7, 120.4, 112.3, 91.6, 89.2, 56.0. HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{13}\text{O}_2^+$ $[\text{M} + \text{H}^+]$ 237.0901, found 237.0904.



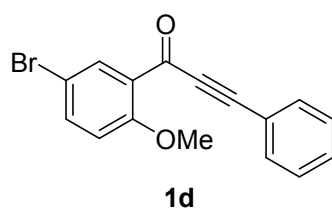
1-(2-Methoxy-4-methylphenyl)-3-phenylprop-2-yn-1-one (1b)

Following the general procedure, **1b** was purified by silica gel chromatography (EtOAc/PE = 5/95). Yield: 1.63 g, 65%, yellow liquid. ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.00 (d, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.65 – 7.59 (m, 2H), 7.47 – 7.42 (m, 1H), 7.41 – 7.35 (m, 2H), 6.85 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 6.81 (s, 1H), 3.94 (s, 3H), 2.41 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 176.2, 160.0, 146.5, 132.9, 130.3, 128.6, 124.3, 121.3, 120.9, 112.9, 91.1, 89.3, 55.9, 22.1. HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{15}\text{O}_2^+$ $[\text{M} + \text{H}^+]$ 251.1067, found 251.1068



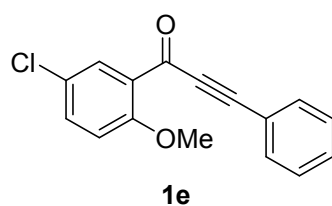
1-(2-Methoxy-3-methylphenyl)-3-phenylprop-2-yn-1-one (1c)

Following the general procedure, **1c** was purified by silica gel chromatography (EtOAc/PE = 5/95). Yield: 1.60 g, 64%, yellow liquid. ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.92 (d, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.65 (d, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.45 (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.43 – 7.37 (m, 3H), 7.13 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 2.35 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 177.2, 159.0, 136.6, 133.0, 132.9, 131.0, 130.6, 130.1, 128.6, 123.7, 120.5, 91.5, 89.1, 61.8, 15.9. HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{15}\text{O}_2^+$ [$\text{M} + \text{H}^+$] 251.1067, found 251.1070.



1-(5-Bromo-2-methoxyphenyl)-3-phenylprop-2-yn-1-one (1d)

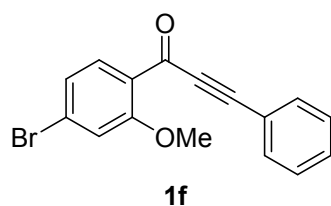
Following the general procedure, **1d** was purified by silica gel chromatography (EtOAc/PE = 5/95). Yield: 2.51 g, 80%, a yellow solid, mp. 86-87 °C ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.13 (t, $J = 3.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.62 (ddd, $J = 11.6, 6.8, 2.0$ Hz, 3H), 7.47 (ddd, $J = 6.7, 4.0, 1.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.43 – 7.37 (m, 2H), 6.91 (dd, $J = 8.9, 2.3$ Hz, 1H), 3.95 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 175.2, 158.8, 137.3, 134.6, 133.1, 130.7, 128.7, 128.4, 120.5, 114.3, 112.7, 92.6, 88.9, 56.3. HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{12}^{79}\text{BrO}_2^+$ [$\text{M} + \text{H}^+$] 315.0015, found 315.0022.



1-(5-Chloro-2-methoxyphenyl)-3-phenylprop-2-yn-1-one (1e)

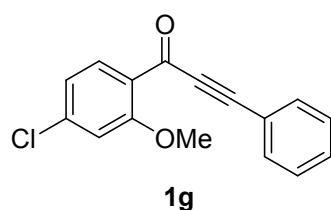
Following the general procedure, **1e** was purified by silica gel chromatography (EtOAc/PE = 5/95). Yield: 2.21 g, 82%, a yellow solid, mp. 84-85 °C. ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.05 – 7.90 (m, 1H), 7.67 – 7.58 (m, 2H), 7.52 – 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.40 (ddd, $J = 8.3, 2.4, 1.0$ Hz, 2H), 6.96 (dd, $J = 8.9, 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.95 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 175.3, 158.3, 134.4, 133.1, 131.7, 130.7, 128.7, 127.9, 125.6,

120.5, 113.9, 92.5, 89.0, 56.3. HRMS (ESI) calcd for $C_{16}H_{12}^{35}ClO_2^+$ $[M + H^+]$ 271.0520, found 271.0522.



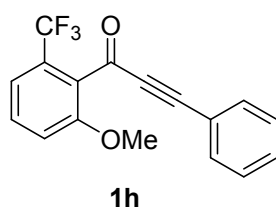
1-(4-Bromo-2-methoxyphenyl)-3-phenylprop-2-yn-1-one (1f)

Following the general procedure, **1f** was purified by silica gel chromatography (EtOAc/PE = 5/95). Yield: 2.67 g, 85%, a yellow solid, mp. 86-87 °C. 1H NMR (600 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.93 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.46 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.20 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (s, 1H), 3.96 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 175.6, 160.1, 133.6, 133.0, 130.6, 129.5, 128.6, 125.8, 123.7, 120.6, 115.9, 92.1, 89.0, 56.3. HRMS (ESI) calcd for $C_{16}H_{12}^{79}BrO_2^+$ $[M + H^+]$ 315.0015, found 315.0018.



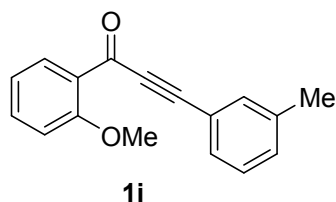
1-(4-Chloro-2-methoxyphenyl)-3-phenylprop-2-yn-1-one (1g)

Following the general procedure, **1g** was purified by silica gel chromatography (EtOAc/PE = 5/95). Yield: 2.30 g, 85%, a yellow solid, mp. 65-66 °C. 1H NMR (600 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 8.02 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.46 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.04 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.01 (s, 1H), 3.97 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 175.4, 160.3, 141.0, 133.6, 133.0, 130.6, 128.6, 125.4, 120.7, 120.6, 112.9, 92.1, 89.0, 56.2. HRMS (ESI) calcd for $C_{16}H_{12}^{35}ClO_2^+$ $[M + H^+]$ 271.0520, found 271.0524.



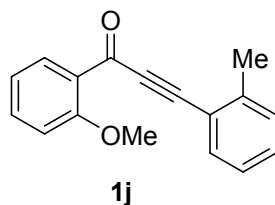
1-(2-Methoxy-6-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-3-phenylprop-2-yn-1-one (**1h**)

Following the general procedure, **1h** was purified by silica gel chromatography (EtOAc/PE = 5/95). Yield: 2.28 g, 75%, a brown solid, mp. 59-60 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.10 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 0.9 Hz, 2H), 7.47 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.31 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.24 (s, 1H), 4.02 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 175.8, 159.5, 136.0 (*J* = 32.5 Hz), 133.1, 132.6, 130.8, 129.7, 128.7, 124.3 (*J* = 271.4 Hz), 120.3, 117.1 (*J* = 3.8 Hz), 109.3, 92.9, 89.0, 56.3. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -63.3. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₇H₁₂F₃O₂⁺ [M + H⁺] 305.0784, found 305.0790.



1-(2-Methoxyphenyl)-3-(*m*-tolyl)prop-2-yn-1-one (**1i**)

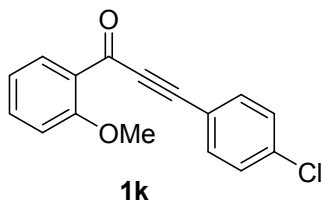
Following the general procedure, **1i** was purified by silica gel chromatography (EtOAc/PE = 5/95). Yield: 1.63 g, 65%, yellow liquid. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.08 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.59 – 7.47 (m, 1H), 7.46 – 7.37 (m, 2H), 7.31 – 7.21 (m, 1H), 7.10 – 6.95 (m, 2H), 3.94 (s, 3H), 2.34 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 176.8, 159.8, 138.4, 135.1, 133.5, 132.6, 131.5, 130.1, 128.5, 126.8, 120.5, 120.3, 112.3, 92.0, 89.0, 56.0, 21.2. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₇H₁₅O₂⁺ [M + H⁺] 251.1067, found 251.1070.



1-(2-Methoxyphenyl)-3-(*o*-tolyl)prop-2-yn-1-one (**1j**)

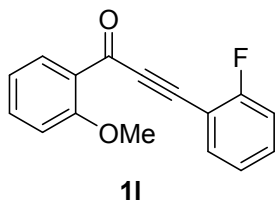
Following the general procedure, **1j** was purified by silica gel chromatography (EtOAc/PE = 5/95). Yield: 1.50 g, 60%, yellow liquid. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.08 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.59 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.55 – 7.50 (m, 1H), 7.33 (t, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.25 (d, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz,

1H), 7.01 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 3.95 (s, 3H), 2.54 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 176.9, 159.7, 142.0, 134.8, 133.5, 132.5, 130.4, 129.8, 127.1, 125.8, 120.6, 120.3, 112.2, 93.1, 90.7, 55.9, 20.7. HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{15}\text{O}_2^+$ [$\text{M} + \text{H}^+$] 251.1067, found 251.1062



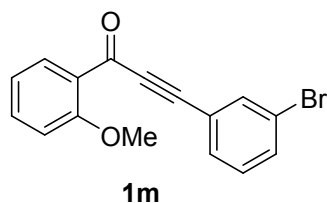
3-(4-Chlorophenyl)-1-(2-methoxyphenyl)prop-2-yn-1-one (**1k**)

Following the general procedure, **1k** was purified by silica gel chromatography ($\text{EtOAc/PE} = 5/95$). Yield: 1.62 g, 60%, a yellow solid. mp. 66-67 °C. ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.08 – 8.02 (m, 1H), 7.59 – 7.51 (m, 3H), 7.40 – 7.34 (m, 2H), 7.08 – 6.98 (m, 2H), 3.96 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 176.4, 159.9, 136.8, 135.1, 134.1, 132.5, 129.1, 126.69, 120.4, 119.3, 112.3, 90.1, 89.0, 56.0. HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{12}^{35}\text{ClO}_2^+$ [$\text{M} + \text{H}^+$] 271.0520, found 271.0524.



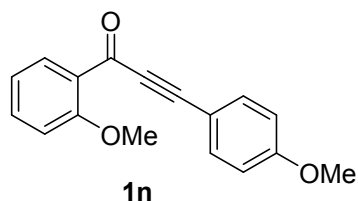
3-(2-Fluorophenyl)-1-(2-methoxyphenyl)prop-2-yn-1-one (**1l**)

Following the general procedure, **1l** was purified by silica gel chromatography ($\text{EtOAc/PE} = 5/95$). Yield: 1.52 g, 60%, yellow liquid. ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.11 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.62 (t, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.54 (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.44 (dd, $J = 14.1, 8.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.18 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.14 (t, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.05 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.02 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 3.96 (s, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 176.3, 164.4 ($J = 255.0$ Hz), 160.1, 135.2, 134.9, 132.7, 132.4 ($J = 7.5$ Hz), 126.5, 124.3 ($J = 4.5$ Hz), 120.4, 115.9 ($J = 19.5$ Hz), 112.2, 109.7 ($J = 15.0$ Hz), 93.7, 84.5, 55.8. ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -107.3. HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{12}\text{FO}_2^+$ [$\text{M} + \text{H}^+$] 255.0816, found 255.0820.



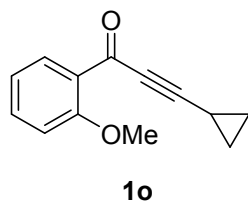
3-(3-Bromophenyl)-1-(2-methoxyphenyl)prop-2-yn-1-one (**1m**)

Following the general procedure, **1m** was purified by silica gel chromatography (EtOAc/PE = 5/95). Yield: 1.89 g, 60%, yellow liquid. ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.05 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (s, 1H), 7.62 – 7.53 (m, 3H), 7.27 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.06 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.02 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.96 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 176.3, 159.9, 135.4, 135.2, 133.5, 132.5, 131.4, 130.1, 126.6, 122.8, 122.4, 120.4, 112.3, 89.9, 89.3, 56.0. HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{12}^{79}\text{BrO}_2^+$ [$\text{M} + \text{H}^+$] 315.0015, found 315.0020.



1-(2-Methoxyphenyl)-3-(4-methoxyphenyl)prop-2-yn-1-one (**1n**)

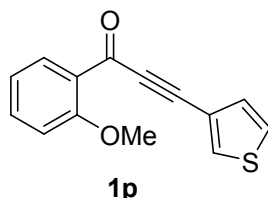
Following the general procedure, **1n** was purified by silica gel chromatography (EtOAc/PE = 5/95). Yield: 1.60 g, 60%, a yellow solid. mp. 69-70 °C. ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.07 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.58 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.55 – 7.49 (m, 1H), 7.04 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.01 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.91 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 3.96 (s, 3H), 3.84 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 176.8, 161.5, 159.7, 135.0, 134.7, 132.4, 127.1, 120.3, 114.4, 112.6, 112.3, 92.7, 89.2, 56.0, 55.4. HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{15}\text{O}_3^+$ [$\text{M} + \text{H}^+$] 267.1016, found 267.1020.



3-Cyclopropyl-1-(2-methoxyphenyl)prop-2-yn-1-one (**1o**)

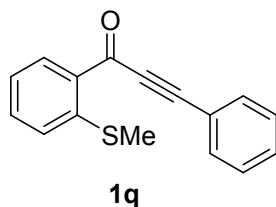
Following the general procedure, **1o** was purified by silica gel chromatography

(EtOAc/PE = 5/95). Yield: 1.50 g, 75%, yellow liquid. ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.96 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.49 (t, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.00 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 6.97 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 1.49 (m, 1H), 1.04 – 0.98 (m, 2H), 0.96 (m, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 176.7, 159.5, 134.4, 132.5, 126.9, 120.1, 112.1, 99.6, 77.7, 55.7, 9.7. HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{13}\text{O}_2^+$ [$\text{M} + \text{H}^+$] 201.0910, found 201.0914.



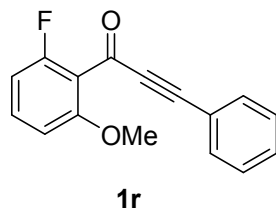
1-(2-Methoxyphenyl)-3-(thiophen-3-yl)prop-2-yn-1-one (**1p**)

Following the general procedure, **1p** was purified by silica gel chromatography (EtOAc/PE = 5/95). Yield: 1.70 g, 70%, yellow liquid. ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.06 (dd, $J = 7.8, 1.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.77 (dd, $J = 2.9, 1.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.58 – 7.46 (m, 1H), 7.34 (dd, $J = 5.0, 3.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.29 – 7.24 (m, 1H), 7.05 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.01 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 3.95 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 176.7, 159.8, 134.9, 133.4, 132.5, 130.3, 126.8, 126.1, 120.4, 120.0, 112.3, 89.4, 87.0, 55.9. HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{14}\text{O}_2\text{S}^+$ [$\text{M} + \text{H}^+$] 243.0474, found 243.0478.



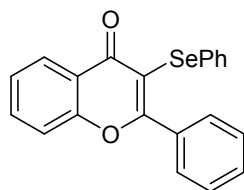
1-(2-(Methylthio)phenyl)-3-phenylprop-2-yn-1-one (**1q**)

Following the general procedure, **1q** was purified by silica gel chromatography (EtOAc/PE = 5/95). Yield: 1.76 g, 70%, a yellow solid, mp. 73–74 °C. ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.42 (d, $J = 9.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.66 (d, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.53 (t, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.46 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.41 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.33 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.26 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 2.46 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 177.6, 144.8, 134.6, 133.3, 133.2, 132.9, 130.6, 128.7, 124.3, 123.3, 120.4, 92.7, 87.2, 15.5. HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{13}\text{OS}^+$ [$\text{M} + \text{H}^+$] 253.0682, found 253.0686.



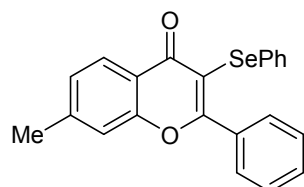
1-(2-Fluoro-6-methoxyphenyl)-3-phenylprop-2-yn-1-one (1r)

Following the general procedure, **1r** was purified by silica gel chromatography (EtOAc/PE = 5/95). Yield: 1.42 g, 56%, yellow liquid. ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.58 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.44 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.41 – 7.35 (m, 3H), 6.80 – 6.71 (m, 2H), 3.90 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 174.6, 161.7 ($J = 252.9$ Hz) 158.9 ($J = 5.9$ Hz), 133.1, 132.9 ($J = 10.9$ Hz), 130.7, 128.6, 120.3, 108.6, 108.4, 107.4, 92.0, 89.7, 56.4. ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -113.7. HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{12}\text{FO}_2^+ [\text{M} + \text{H}^+]$ 255.0816, found 255.0818.



2-Phenyl-3-(phenylselanyl)-4H-chromen-4-one (2a)

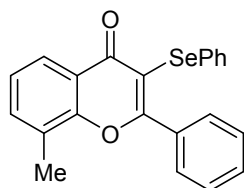
Following the general procedure, **2a** was purified by silica gel chromatography (EtOAc/PE = 5/95). Yield: 336 mg, 89%, a yellow solid, mp. 129-131 °C. ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.26 (dd, $J = 8.0, 1.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.73 – 7.63 (m, 3H), 7.52 – 7.46 (m, 2H), 7.43 (td, $J = 7.7, 6.2$ Hz, 3H), 7.36 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.13 (p, $J = 3.9, 3.5$ Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 176.0, 167.8, 156.0, 134.2, 134.0, 131.4, 131.1, 130.7, 129.3, 129.0, 128.0, 126.8, 126.7, 125.6, 122.5, 117.9, 114.2. HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{15}\text{O}_2\text{Se}^+ [\text{M} + \text{H}^+]$ 379.0232, found 379.0230.



7-Methyl-2-phenyl-3-(phenylselanyl)-4H-chromen-4-one (2b)

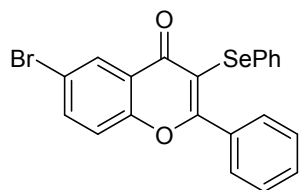
Following the general procedure, **2b** was purified by silica gel chromatography (EtOAc/PE = 5/95). Yield: 341 mg, 87%, a yellow solid, mp. 142-144 °C. ^1H NMR

(600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.14 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.68 – 7.62 (m, 2H), 7.51 – 7.46 (m, 1H), 7.43 (dd, J = 8.3, 6.7 Hz, 2H), 7.31 (dd, J = 6.7, 3.0 Hz, 2H), 7.28 (s, 1H), 7.24 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.13 (dd, J = 5.0, 1.9 Hz, 3H), 2.49 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 175.8, 167.6, 156.1, 145.4, 134.4, 131.5, 131.0, 130.6, 129.2, 129.0, 128.0, 127.1, 126.6, 126.5, 120.2, 117.6, 114.0, 21.8. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₂₂H₁₇O₂Se⁺ [M + H⁺] 393.0388, found 393.0392.



8-Methyl-2-phenyl-3-(phenylselanyl)-4H-chromen-4-one (2c)

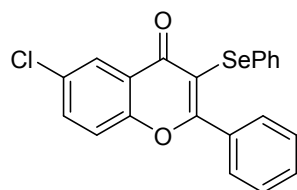
Following the general procedure, **2c** was purified by silica gel chromatography (EtOAc/PE = 5/95). Yield: 328 mg, 84%, a yellow solid, mp. 126-128 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.09 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.71 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.52 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.34 – 7.28 (m, 3H), 7.15 – 7.09 (m, 3H), 2.47 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 176.3, 167.3, 154.5, 134.8, 134.4, 131.5, 131.0, 130.7, 129.4, 129.0, 128.0, 127.4, 126.7, 125.2, 124.3, 122.4, 113.9, 15.6. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₂₂H₁₇O₂Se⁺ [M + H⁺] 393.0388, found 393.0382.



6-Bromo-2-phenyl-3-(phenylselanyl)-4H-chromen-4-one (2d)

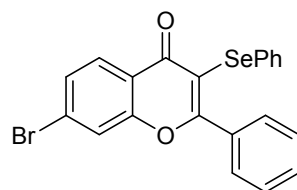
Following the general procedure, **2d** was purified by silica gel chromatography (EtOAc/PE = 5/95). Yield: 429 mg, 94%, a yellow solid, mp. 138-140 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.37 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (dd, J = 8.8, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 7.68 – 7.63 (m, 2H), 7.54 – 7.48 (m, 1H), 7.47 – 7.42 (m, 2H), 7.38 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.33 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 7.17 – 7.12 (m, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 174.8, 167.8, 154.8, 136.9, 133.9, 131.3, 130.97, 130.96, 129.3, 129.2, 129.1, 128.1, 127.0, 123.7, 119.9, 118.9, 114.4. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₂₁H₁₄⁷⁹BrO₂Se⁺ [M + H⁺] 456.9337,

found 456.9342.



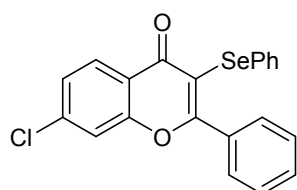
6-Chloro-2-phenyl-3-(phenylselanyl)-4H-chromen-4-one (2e)

Following the general procedure, **2e** was purified by silica gel chromatography (EtOAc/PE = 5/95). Yield: 370 mg, 90%, a yellow solid, mp. 128-130 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.21 (d, *J* = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 7.69 – 7.64 (m, 2H), 7.63 (dd, *J* = 8.9, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 7.53 – 7.48 (m, 1H), 7.48 – 7.42 (m, 3H), 7.34 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 7.18 – 7.10 (m, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 174.9, 167.8, 154.3, 134.2, 133.9, 131.5, 131.3, 131.0, 131.0, 129.3, 129.1, 128.1, 127.0, 126.0, 123.3, 119.7, 114.3. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₂₁H₁₄³⁵ClO₂Se⁺ [*M* + *H*⁺] 412.9842, found 412.9844.



7-Bromo-2-phenyl-3-(phenylselanyl)-4H-chromen-4-one (2f)

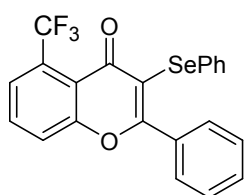
Following the general procedure, **2f** was purified by silica gel chromatography (EtOAc/PE = 5/95). Yield: 429 mg, 94%, a yellow solid, mp. 84-86 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.10 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.68 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (dt, *J* = 7.1, 1.4 Hz, 2H), 7.53 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.52 – 7.47 (m, 1H), 7.44 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 6.7 Hz, 2H), 7.32 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 7.15 – 7.12 (m, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 175.3, 167.5, 156.0, 133.8, 131.3, 131.0, 130.9, 129.3, 129.2, 129.1, 128.2, 128.2, 128.1, 126.9, 121.3, 121.1, 114.7. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₂₁H₁₄⁷⁹BrO₂Se⁺ [*M* + *H*⁺] 456.9337, found 456.9334.



7-Chloro-2-phenyl-3-(phenylselanyl)-4H-chromen-4-one (2g)

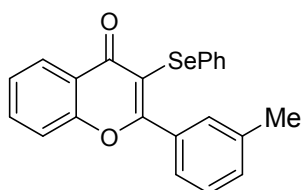
Following the general procedure, **2g** was purified by silica gel chromatography

(EtOAc/PE = 5/95). Yield: 366 mg, 89%, a yellow solid, mp. 97-99 °C. ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.18 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 7.67 – 7.61 (m, 2H), 7.53 – 7.48 (m, 2H), 7.44 (td, J = 7.2, 6.7, 1.3 Hz, 2H), 7.39 (dd, J = 8.6, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.33 – 7.29 (m, 2H), 7.14 (dd, J = 4.7, 1.9 Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 175.2, 167.6, 156.1, 140.0, 133.8, 131.3, 131.0, 130.9, 129.3, 129.1, 128.1, 128.1, 126.9, 126.4, 120.9, 118.0, 114.7. HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{14}^{35}\text{ClO}_2\text{Se}^+$ [$\text{M} + \text{H}^+$] 412.9842, found 412.9840.



2-Phenyl-3-(phenylselanyl)-5-(trifluoromethyl)-4H-chromen-4-one (2h)

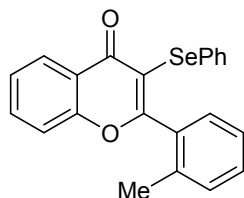
Following the general procedure, **2h** was purified by silica gel chromatography (EtOAc/PE = 5/95). Yield: 418 mg, 94%, a yellow solid, mp. 108-110 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform- d) δ 8.37 (dd, J = 8.3, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.80 (dd, J = 1.6, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 7.71 – 7.63 (m, 3H), 7.56 – 7.49 (m, 1H), 7.49 – 7.43 (m, 2H), 7.34 – 7.29 (m, 2H), 7.17 – 7.12 (m, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 175.20, 168.10, 155.39, 135.68, 135.35, 133.59, 131.32, 131.15, 130.75, 129.29, 129.16, 128.15, 128.09, 127.07, 124.42, 121.9 (q, J = 4.5 Hz), 116.0 (q, J = 6 Hz), 115.01. ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -63.1. HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{14}\text{F}_3\text{O}_2\text{Se}^+$ [$\text{M} + \text{H}^+$] 447.0106, found 447.0110.



3-(Phenylselanyl)-2-(*m*-tolyl)-4H-chromen-4-one (2i)

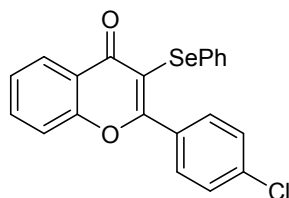
Following the general procedure, **2i** was purified by silica gel chromatography (EtOAc/PE = 5/95). Yield: 321 mg, 82%, a yellow solid, mp. 140-142 °C. ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.24 (dd, J = 8.0, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (ddd, J = 8.6, 7.1, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (ddd, J = 8.2, 6.6, 1.3 Hz, 2H), 7.43 – 7.37 (m, 2H), 7.35 – 7.26 (m, 4H), 7.13 (qd, J = 3.9, 1.7 Hz, 3H), 2.37 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 176.0,

168.0, 156.0, 137.8, 134.2, 134.0, 131.5, 131.5, 131.2, 131.2, 129.7, 129.0, 127.9, 126.7, 126.7, 126.4, 125.6, 122.5, 117.9, 114.2, 21.4. HRMS (ESI) calcd for $C_{22}H_{17}O_2Se^+$ $[M + H^+]$ 393.0388, found 393.0384.



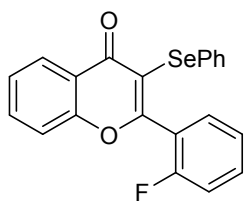
3-(Phenylselanyl)-2-(*o*-tolyl)-4*H*-chromen-4-one (2j)

Following the general procedure, **2j** was purified by silica gel chromatography (EtOAc/PE = 5/95). Yield: 360 mg, 92%, a yellow solid, mp. 58-60 °C. 1H NMR (600 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 8.14 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (ddd, J = 8.7, 7.2, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.30 – 7.24 (m, 2H), 7.21 (td, J = 7.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.15 – 7.11 (m, 3H), 7.10 – 7.06 (m, 2H), 7.01 – 6.92 (m, 3H), 2.03 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 175.8, 168.7, 156.2, 136.2, 134.1, 134.0, 132.2, 130.7, 130.3, 130.3, 129.2, 128.9, 127.0, 126.7, 125.7, 125.6, 122.7, 118.0, 116.1, 19.5. HRMS (ESI) calcd for $C_{22}H_{17}O_2Se^+$ $[M + H^+]$ 393.0388, found 393.0390.



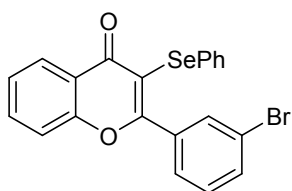
2-(4-Chlorophenyl)-3-(phenylselanyl)-4*H*-chromen-4-one (2k)

Following the general procedure, **2k** was purified by silica gel chromatography (EtOAc/PE = 5/95). Yield: 354 mg, 86%, a yellow solid, mp. 100-102 °C. 1H NMR (600 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 8.25 (dd, J = 8.0, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.69 (ddd, J = 8.6, 7.1, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.63 – 7.59 (m, 2H), 7.47 (dd, J = 8.5, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (ddd, J = 8.1, 7.1, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.41 – 7.37 (m, 2H), 7.33 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 7.14 (tt, J = 3.8, 2.4 Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 175.9, 166.4, 155.9, 137.0, 134.1, 132.5, 131.1, 130.7, 129.1, 128.3, 126.9, 126.8, 125.7, 122.4, 117.9, 114.5. HRMS (ESI) calcd for $C_{21}H_{14}^{35}ClO_2Se^+$ $[M + H^+]$ 412.9842, found 412.9846.



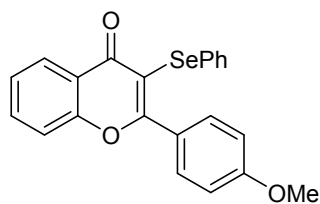
2-(2-Fluorophenyl)-3-(phenylselanyl)-4*H*-chromen-4-one (**2l**)

Following the general procedure, **2l** was purified by silica gel chromatography (EtOAc/PE = 5/95). Yield: 371 mg, 94%, a yellow solid, mp. 132-134 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.24 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (ddd, *J* = 8.7, 7.1, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.51 – 7.36 (m, 4H), 7.32 (dd, *J* = 7.4, 2.3 Hz, 2H), 7.21 (td, *J* = 7.6, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.16 – 7.08 (m, 4H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 175.5, 163.2, 160 (*J* = 250.0 Hz), 156.2, 134.1, 132.6 (*J* = 9.1 Hz), 131.8, 130.7 (*J* = 2.1 Hz), 130.5, 129.0, 127.0, 126.7, 125.7, 123.9 (*J* = 3.7 Hz), 122.7 (*J* = 14.6 Hz), 122.6, 118.0, 117.2, 116.1 (*J* = 21.3 Hz). ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -111.6 HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₂₁H₁₄FO₂Se⁺ [M + H⁺] 397.0138, found 397.0140.



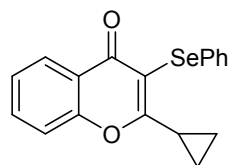
2-(3-Bromophenyl)-3-(phenylselanyl)-4*H*-chromen-4-one (**2m**)

Following the general procedure, **2m** was purified by silica gel chromatography (EtOAc/PE = 5/95). Yield: 402 mg, 88%, a yellow solid, mp. 146-148 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.26 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (t, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.69 (ddd, *J* = 8.7, 7.1, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.58 (ddq, *J* = 7.9, 2.0, 1.0 Hz, 2H), 7.47 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (ddd, *J* = 8.1, 7.1, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.35 – 7.30 (m, 2H), 7.28 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.19 – 7.12 (m, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 175.9, 165.6, 155.9, 135.9, 134.1, 133.6, 132.0, 131.7, 131.0, 129.5, 129.1, 127.9, 127.1, 126.8, 125.8, 122.4, 122.0, 117.9, 115.2. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₂₁H₁₄⁷⁹BrO₂Se⁺ [M + H⁺] 456.9337, found 456.9340.



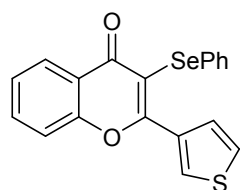
2-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-3-(phenylselanyl)-4*H*-chromen-4-one (2n)

Following the general procedure, **2n** was purified by silica gel chromatography (EtOAc/PE = 5/95). Yield: 367 mg, 90%, a yellow solid, mp. 104-106 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.23 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.76 – 7.59 (m, 3H), 7.46 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (ddd, *J* = 8.1, 7.1, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.35 – 7.30 (m, 2H), 7.19 – 7.08 (m, 3H), 6.93 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 3.84 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 176.0, 167.7, 161.6, 155.9, 133.9, 131.6, 131.2, 130.6, 129.1, 126.7, 126.6, 126.4, 125.5, 122.4, 117.8, 113.4, 113.1, 55.5. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₂₂H₁₇O₃Se⁺ [M + H⁺] 409.0337, found 409.0340.



2-Cyclopropyl-3-(phenylselanyl)-4*H*-chromen-4-one (2o)

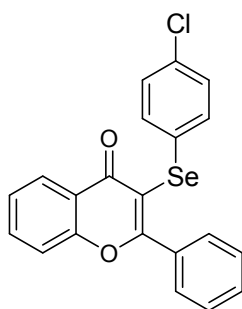
Following the general procedure, **2o** was purified by silica gel chromatography (EtOAc/PE = 5/95). Yield: 310 mg, 91%, a yellow solid, mp. 104-106 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.19 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.60 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.35 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.31 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.18 (dt, *J* = 14.0, 7.0 Hz, 3H), 3.12 – 2.96 (m, 1H), 1.29 (dt, *J* = 7.0, 3.5 Hz, 2H), 1.12 – 1.06 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 174.8, 172.7, 155.1, 133.5, 131.4, 130.6, 129.1, 126.7, 126.6, 125.3, 122.7, 117.2, 112.6, 16.1, 10.0. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₈H₁₅O₂Se⁺ [M + H⁺] 343.0232, found 343.0236.



3-(Phenylselanyl)-2-(thiophen-3-yl)-4*H*-chromen-4-one (2p)

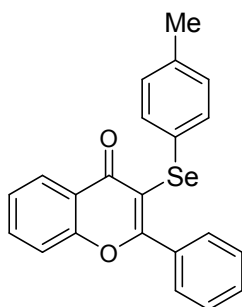
Following the general procedure, **2p** was purified by silica gel chromatography

(EtOAc/PE = 5/95). Yield: 307 mg, 80%, a yellow solid, mp. 118-120 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.23 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 8.18 (dd, *J* = 3.0, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.72 (dd, *J* = 5.1, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.68 (ddd, *J* = 8.6, 7.1, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.38 – 7.33 (m, 3H), 7.21 – 7.08 (m, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 176.0, 162.6, 155.7, 134.6, 134.0, 131.4, 130.8, 130.4, 129.2, 128.5, 126.8, 126.7, 125.6, 125.3, 122.3, 117.7, 112.7. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₉H₁₃O₂SSe⁺ [M + H⁺] 384.9796, found 384.9792.



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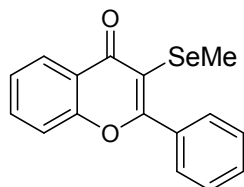
Following the general procedure, **2q** was purified by silica gel chromatography (EtOAc/PE = 5/95). Yield: 362 mg, 88%, a yellow solid, mp. 180-182 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.25 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (ddd, *J* = 8.6, 7.1, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.68 – 7.62 (m, 2H), 7.55 – 7.34 (m, 5H), 7.25 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.15 – 7.07 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 175.8, 167.8, 156.0, 134.1, 134.1, 133.0, 132.6, 130.9, 129.4, 129.2, 129.2, 128.1, 126.7, 125.7, 122.4, 117.9, 114.1. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₂₁H₁₄³⁵ClO₂Se⁺ [M + H⁺] 412.9842, found 412.9850.



2-Phenyl-3-(p-tolylselanyl)-4H-chromen-4-one (2r)

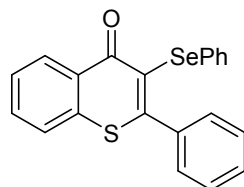
Following the general procedure, **2r** was purified by silica gel chromatography (EtOAc/PE = 5/95). Yield: 376 mg, 96%, a yellow solid, mp. 104-106 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.25 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.73 – 7.64 (m, 3H), 7.52 – 7.37

(m, 5H), 7.24 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 2H), 6.95 (d, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 2H), 2.24 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 176.0, 167.5, 156.0, 136.8, 134.3, 133.9, 131.6, 130.7, 129.9, 129.3, 128.0, 127.5, 126.7, 125.5, 122.5, 117.9, 114.5, 21.1. HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{17}\text{O}_2\text{Se}^+$ [$\text{M} + \text{H}^+$] 393.0388, found 393.0384.



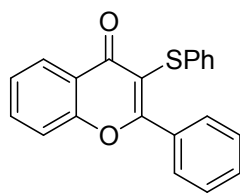
3-(Methylselanyl)-2-phenyl-4H-chromen-4-one (2s)

Following the general procedure, **2s** was purified by silica gel chromatography (EtOAc/PE = 5/95). Yield: 300 mg, 95%, yellow oil. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.26 (dd, $J = 8.0, 1.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.76 – 7.70 (m, 2H), 7.67 (ddd, $J = 8.6, 7.1, 1.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.57 – 7.49 (m, 3H), 7.48 – 7.39 (m, 2H), 2.19 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 176.4, 165.1, 155.9, 134.3, 133.8, 130.8, 129.4, 128.1, 126.3, 125.4, 122.1, 117.9, 113.5, 8.2. HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{13}\text{O}_2\text{Se}^+$ [$\text{M} + \text{H}^+$] 317.0075, found 317.0080.



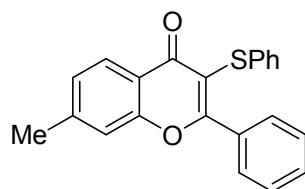
2-Phenyl-3-(phenylselanyl)-4H-thiophene-4-one (2t)

Following the general procedure, **2t** was purified by silica gel chromatography (EtOAc/PE = 5/95). Yield: 267 mg, 67%, a yellow solid, mp. 118-120 °C. ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.55 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.62 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.56 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.39 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.33 (p, $J = 7.1, 6.5$ Hz, 4H), 7.20 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.08 (dd, $J = 13.2, 7.0$ Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 178.1, 155.9, 138.1, 137.2, 132.0, 132.0, 131.6, 129.8, 129.8, 129.6, 128.8, 128.5, 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 126.6, 125.5. HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{15}\text{OSSe}^+$ [$\text{M} + \text{H}^+$] 395.0003, found 395.0010.



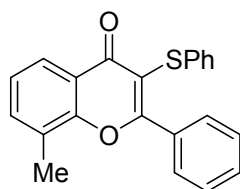
2-Phenyl-3-(phenylthio)-4*H*-chromen-4-one (3a)

Following the general procedure, **3a** was purified by silica gel chromatography (EtOAc/PE = 5/95). Yield: 238 mg, 72%, a yellow solid, mp. 127-129 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.26 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.80 – 7.75 (m, 2H), 7.74 – 7.67 (m, 1H), 7.55 – 7.48 (m, 2H), 7.50 – 7.40 (m, 3H), 7.23 – 7.18 (m, 4H), 7.15 – 7.07 (m, 1H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 175.9, 168.7, 155.9, 136.2, 134.1, 133.1, 131.1, 129.2, 129.0, 128.1, 127.3, 126.7, 125.9, 125.7, 122.8, 118.0, 115.2. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₂₁H₁₅O₂S⁺ [M + H⁺] 331.0787, found 331.0790.



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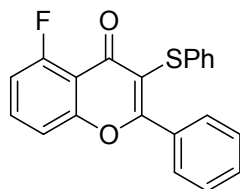
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8-Methyl-2-phenyl-3-(phenylthio)-4*H*-chromen-4-one (3c)

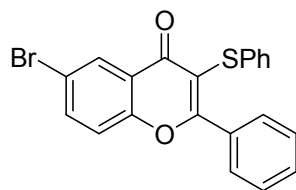
Following the general procedure, **3c** was purified by silica gel chromatography (EtOAc/PE = 5/95). Yield: 245 mg, 71%, a yellow solid, mp. 156-158 °C. ¹H NMR

(600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.09 (dd, J = 8.0, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.88 – 7.77 (m, 2H), 7.56 – 7.50 (m, 2H), 7.49 – 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.32 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.23 – 7.16 (m, 4H), 7.13 – 7.07 (m, 1H), 2.51 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 176.2, 168.2, 154.4, 136.3, 135.0, 133.2, 131.0, 129.3, 128.9, 128.2, 127.5, 127.3, 125.8, 125.3, 124.3, 122.7, 114.9, 15.6. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₂₂H₁₇O₂S⁺ [M + H⁺] 345.0944, found 345.0946.



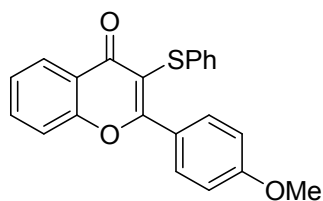
5-Fluoro-2-phenyl-3-(phenylthio)-4H-chromen-4-one (3d)

Following the general procedure, **3d** was purified by silica gel chromatography (EtOAc/PE = 5/95). Yield: 254 mg, 73%, a yellow solid, mp. 134-136 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.80 – 7.75 (m, 2H), 7.62 (td, J = 8.4, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 7.56 – 7.50 (m, 1H), 7.49 – 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.31 (dt, J = 8.5, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.24 – 7.18 (m, 4H), 7.15 – 7.09 (m, 1H), 7.08 (ddd, J = 10.2, 8.2, 1.0 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 173.7, 167.6, 161.6, 159.8, 156.8, 135.8, 134.1 (d, J = 10.5 Hz), 132.6, 131.2, 129.2, 129.0, 128.2, 127.8, 126.1, 116.5, 113.9 (d, J = 4.5 Hz), 113.4 (d, J = 10.5 Hz), 112.5 (d, J = 19.5 Hz). ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -110.1. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₂₁H₁₄FO₂S⁺ [M + H⁺] 349.0693, found 349.0696.



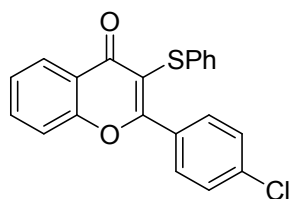
6-Bromo-2-phenyl-3-(phenylthio)-4H-chromen-4-one (3e)

Following the general procedure, **3e** was purified by silica gel chromatography (EtOAc/PE = 5/95). Yield: 332 mg, 81%, a yellow solid, mp. 120-122 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.35 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.79 – 7.70 (m, 3H), 7.55 – 7.48 (m, 1H), 7.46 (tt, J = 6.6, 1.5 Hz, 2H), 7.40 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.23 – 7.16 (m, 4H), 7.14 – 7.07 (m, 1H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 174.6, 168.7, 154.6, 137.1, 135.8, 132.7, 131.3, 129.2, 129.2, 129.0, 128.2, 127.6, 126.1, 124.1, 120.0, 119.1, 115.7. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₂₁H₁₄⁷⁹BrO₂S⁺ [M + H⁺] 408.9892, found 408.9896.



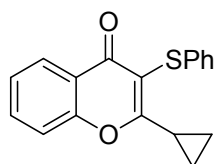
2-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-3-(phenylthio)-4*H*-chromen-4-one (3f)

Following the general procedure, **3f** was purified by silica gel chromatography (EtOAc/PE = 5/95). Yield: 252 mg, 70%, a yellow solid, mp. 100-102 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.24 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.80 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.70 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.42 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 7.23 – 7.17 (m, 4H), 7.11 (dt, *J* = 8.6, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 6.96 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 3.86 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 175.92, 168.47, 161.89, 155.81, 136.47, 133.96, 131.19, 128.96, 127.03, 126.65, 125.73, 125.57, 125.28, 122.79, 117.91, 114.03, 113.54, 55.44. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₂₂H₁₇O₃S⁺ [*M* + *H*⁺] 361.0893, found 361.0896.



2-(4-Chlorophenyl)-3-(phenylthio)-4*H*-chromen-4-one (3g)

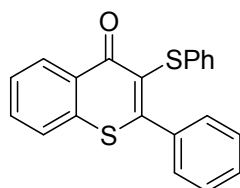
Following the general procedure, **3g** was purified by silica gel chromatography (EtOAc/PE = 5/95). Yield: 223 mg, 61%, a yellow solid, mp. 118-120 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.25 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.76 – 7.67 (m, 3H), 7.51 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 7.49 – 7.37 (m, 3H), 7.24 – 7.18 (m, 4H), 7.16 – 7.09 (m, 1H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 175.7, 167.4, 155.8, 137.3, 135.9, 134.3, 131.4, 130.6, 129.1, 128.5, 127.2, 126.7, 126.0, 125.9, 122.8, 118.0, 115.4. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₂₁H₁₄³⁵ClO₂S⁺ [*M* + *H*⁺] 365.0398, found 365.0394.



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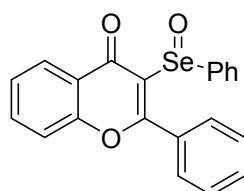
Following the general procedure, **3h** was purified by silica gel chromatography (EtOAc/PE = 5/95). Yield: 235 mg, 80%, a yellow solid, mp. 102-104 °C. ¹H NMR

(400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.19 (dd, J = 7.9, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (ddd, J = 8.7, 7.2, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.41 – 7.31 (m, 2H), 7.31 – 7.26 (m, 2H), 7.26 – 7.19 (m, 2H), 7.16 – 7.08 (m, 1H), 3.05 (tt, J = 8.3, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 1.42 – 1.28 (m, 2H), 1.15 (dt, J = 8.3, 3.5 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 174.8, 174.1, 155.0, 136.1, 133.6, 128.9, 127.3, 126.7, 125.8, 125.4, 123.0, 117.3, 113.7, 14.1, 10.0. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₈H₁₅O₂S⁺ [M + H⁺] 295.0787 found 295.0786.



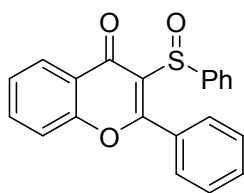
2-Phenyl-3-(phenylthio)-4H-thiochromen-4-one (3i)

Following the general procedure, **3i** was purified by silica gel chromatography (EtOAc/PE = 5/95). Yield: 191 mg, 55%, a yellow solid, mp. 140-142 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.53 (dd, J = 8.1, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.60 – 7.52 (m, 2H), 7.47 – 7.35 (m, 5H), 7.13 (ddd, J = 13.9, 8.3, 6.6 Hz, 4H), 7.10 – 7.05 (m, 1H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 177.6, 158.1, 136.9, 136.9, 136.6, 131.8, 130.6, 129.9, 129.9, 128.8, 128.5, 128.4, 128.1, 128.0, 125.8, 125.7. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₂₁H₁₅OS₂⁺ [M + H⁺] 347.0559, found 347.0562.



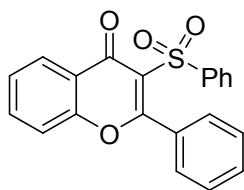
2-Phenyl-3-(phenylseleninyl)-4H-chromen-4-one (4)

Following the general procedure, **4** was purified by silica gel chromatography (EtOAc/PE = 40/60). Yield: 354 mg, 90%, a yellow solid, mp. 156-158 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.21 (dd, J = 8.0, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.76 – 7.69 (m, 3H), 7.60 (dd, J = 5.1, 3.3 Hz, 2H), 7.58 – 7.54 (m, 1H), 7.50 – 7.44 (m, 4H), 7.43 – 7.38 (m, 3H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 176.0, 168.8, 156.1, 141.1, 134.7, 131.9, 130.6, 130.1, 129.8, 129.2, 128.1, 126.5, 126.2, 126.1, 125.1, 123.3, 118.2. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₂₁H₁₅O₃Se⁺ [M + H⁺] 395.0181, found 395.0184.



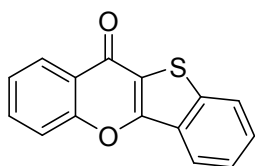
2-Phenyl-3-(phenylsulfinyl)-4H-chromen-4-one (5)

Following the general procedure,² **5** was purified by silica gel chromatography (EtOAc/PE = 30/70). Yield: 285 mg, 82%, a yellow solid, mp. 206-208 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.13 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.82 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.70 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.67 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.63 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.57 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.50 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.42 – 7.38 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 172.96, 169.65, 155.72, 142.95, 134.55, 132.02, 130.84, 130.04, 129.72, 128.70, 128.60, 126.40, 126.14, 125.07, 124.61, 124.32, 118.12. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₂₁H₁₅O₃S⁺ [M + H⁺] 347.0736, found 347.0740.



2-Phenyl-3-(phenylsulfonyl)-4H-chromen-4-one (7)

Following the general procedure, **7** was purified by silica gel chromatography (EtOAc/PE = 20/80). Yield: 344 mg, 95%, a yellow solid, mp. 220-222 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.12 (d, *J* = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 8.06 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.71 (dd, *J* = 14.8, 8.5 Hz, 3H), 7.64 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.59 – 7.54 (m, 3H), 7.51 – 7.45 (m, 3H), 7.42 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 173.03, 170.08, 155.31, 141.59, 134.82, 133.29, 132.17, 131.58, 129.16, 128.80, 128.46, 128.02, 126.38, 126.26, 124.61, 123.81, 118.10. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₂₁H₁₅O₄S⁺ [M + H⁺] 363.0686, found 363.0688.



11H-Benzo[4,5]thieno[3,2-b]chromen-11-one (8)

Following the general procedure,³ **8** was purified by silica gel chromatography

(EtOAc/PE = 2/98). Yield: 177 mg, 70%, a yellow solid, mp. 201-202 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.36 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 8.14 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.87 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (t, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.53 – 7.41 (m, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 173.39, 156.05, 153.75, 139.96, 133.83, 129.33, 125.99, 125.16, 125.01, 123.81, 122.69, 122.49, 120.78, 118.10. HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_9\text{O}_2\text{S}^+$ [$\text{M} + \text{H}^+$] 253.0318, found 253.0320.

4. Mechanistic Studies

To a solution of PhSeSePh (0.2 mmol) in DCE (10 mL) was added PIFA (0.2 mmol) at rt. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 min. HRMS analysis of the resulting mixture thus obtained showed some fragmentary peaks including 172.94953 (which was attributed to PhSeO⁻) and 112.98556 (which was attributed to CF₃COO⁻). The spectra diagrams are shown below.

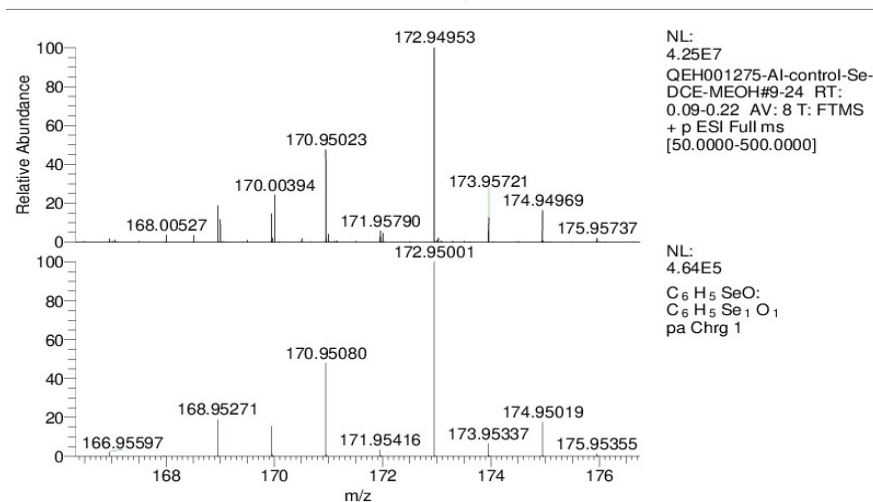


Figure S1 HRMS spectrum of PhSeO⁻

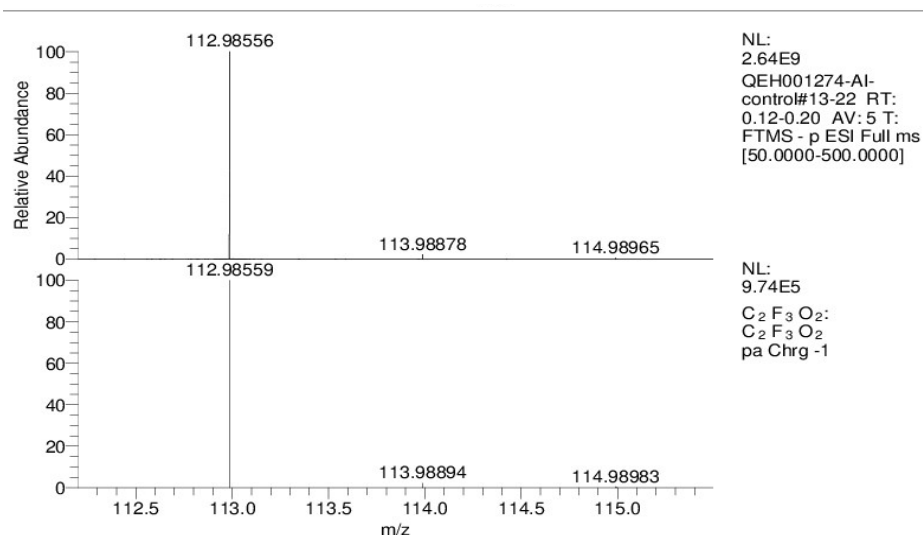
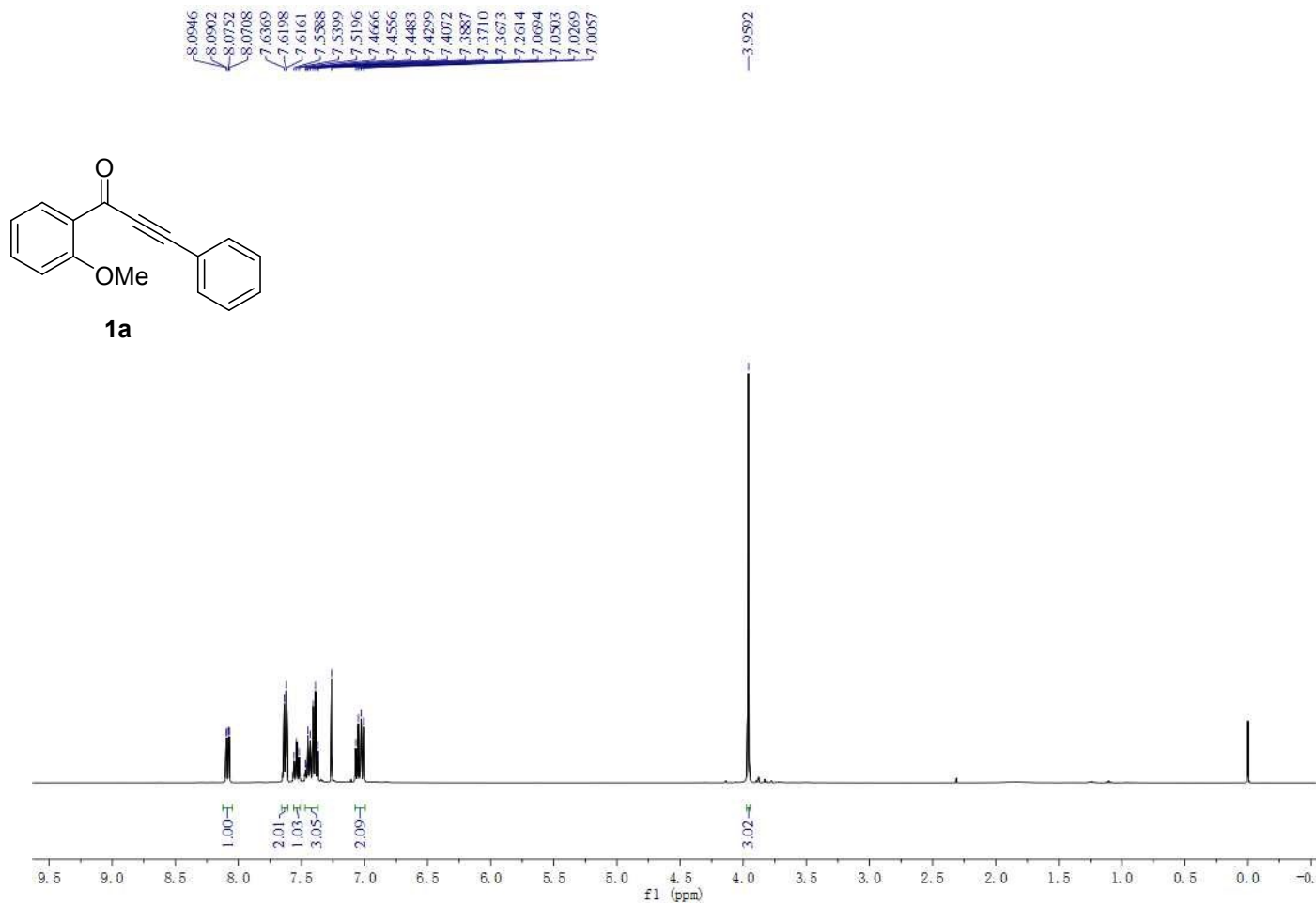


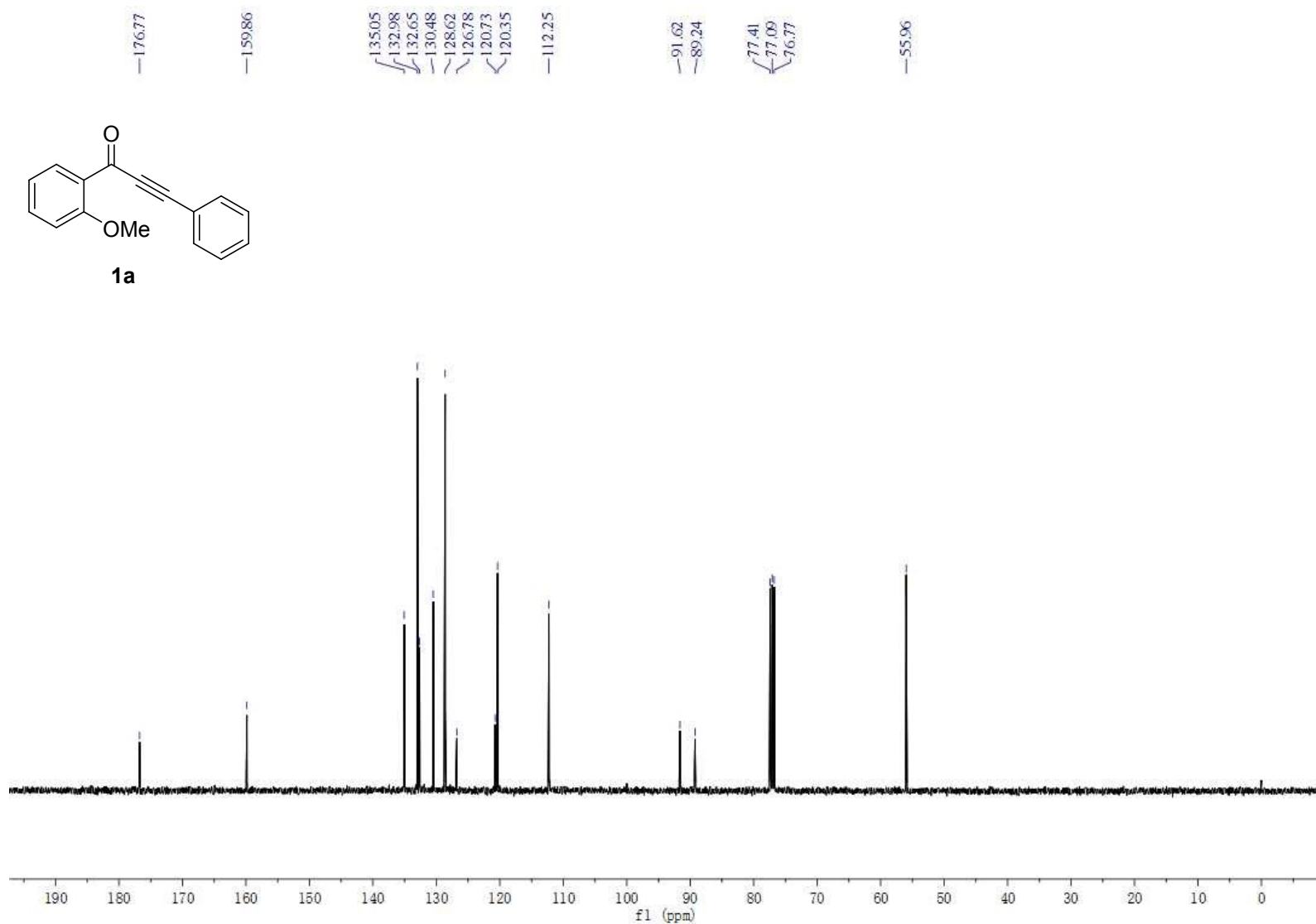
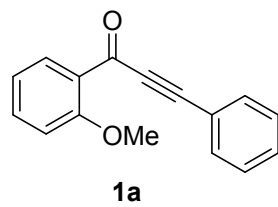
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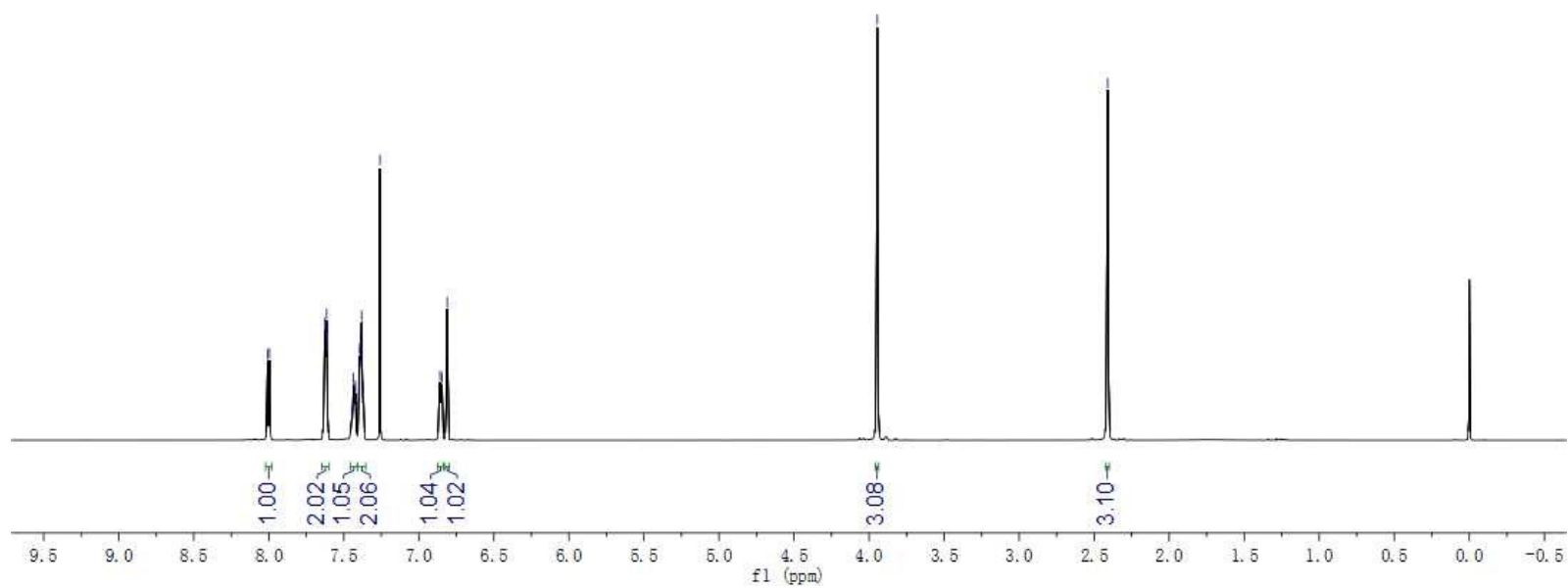
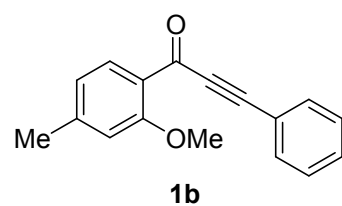
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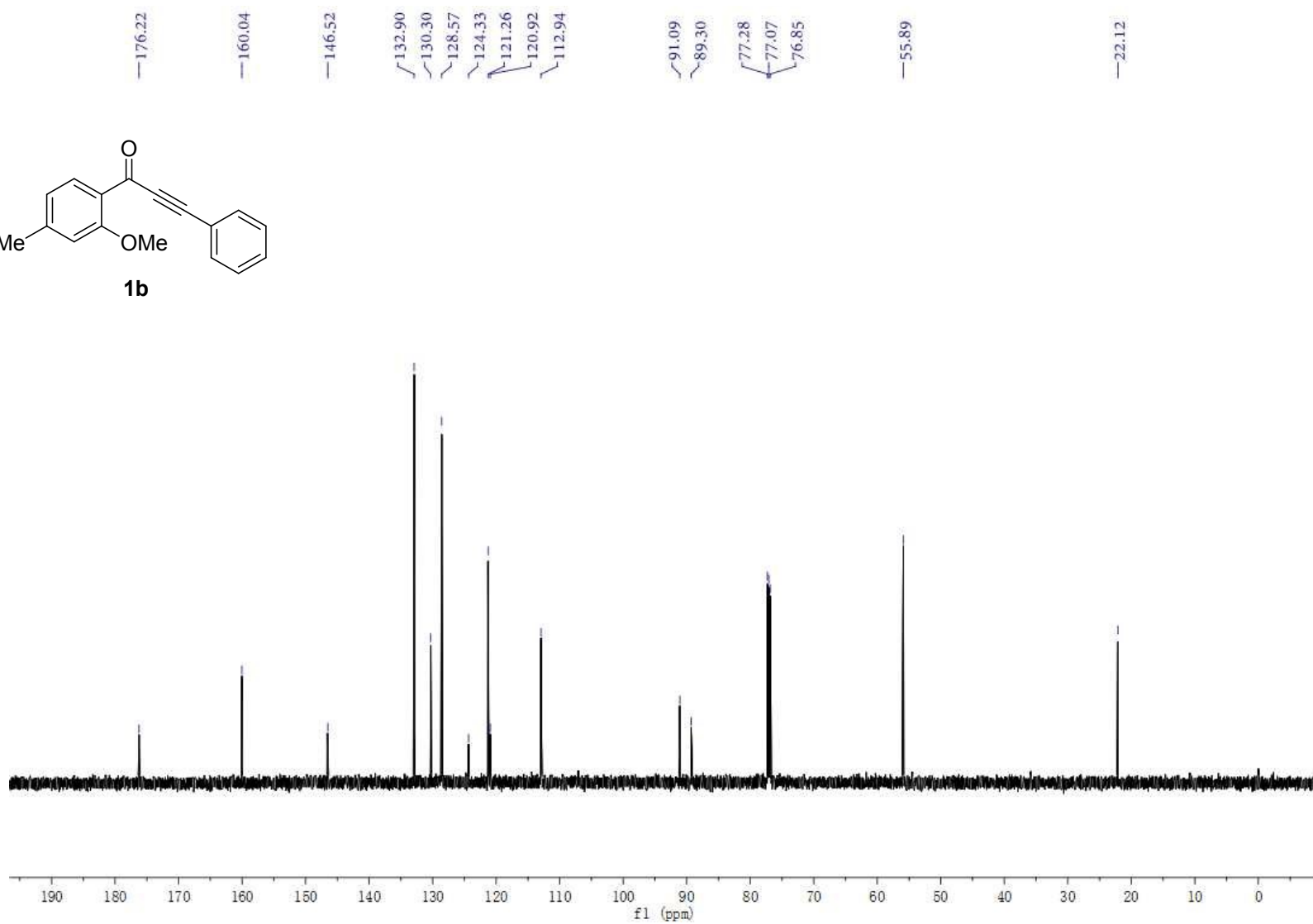
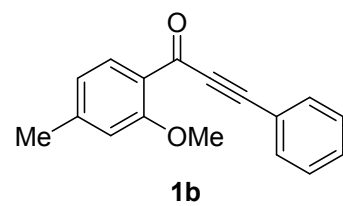
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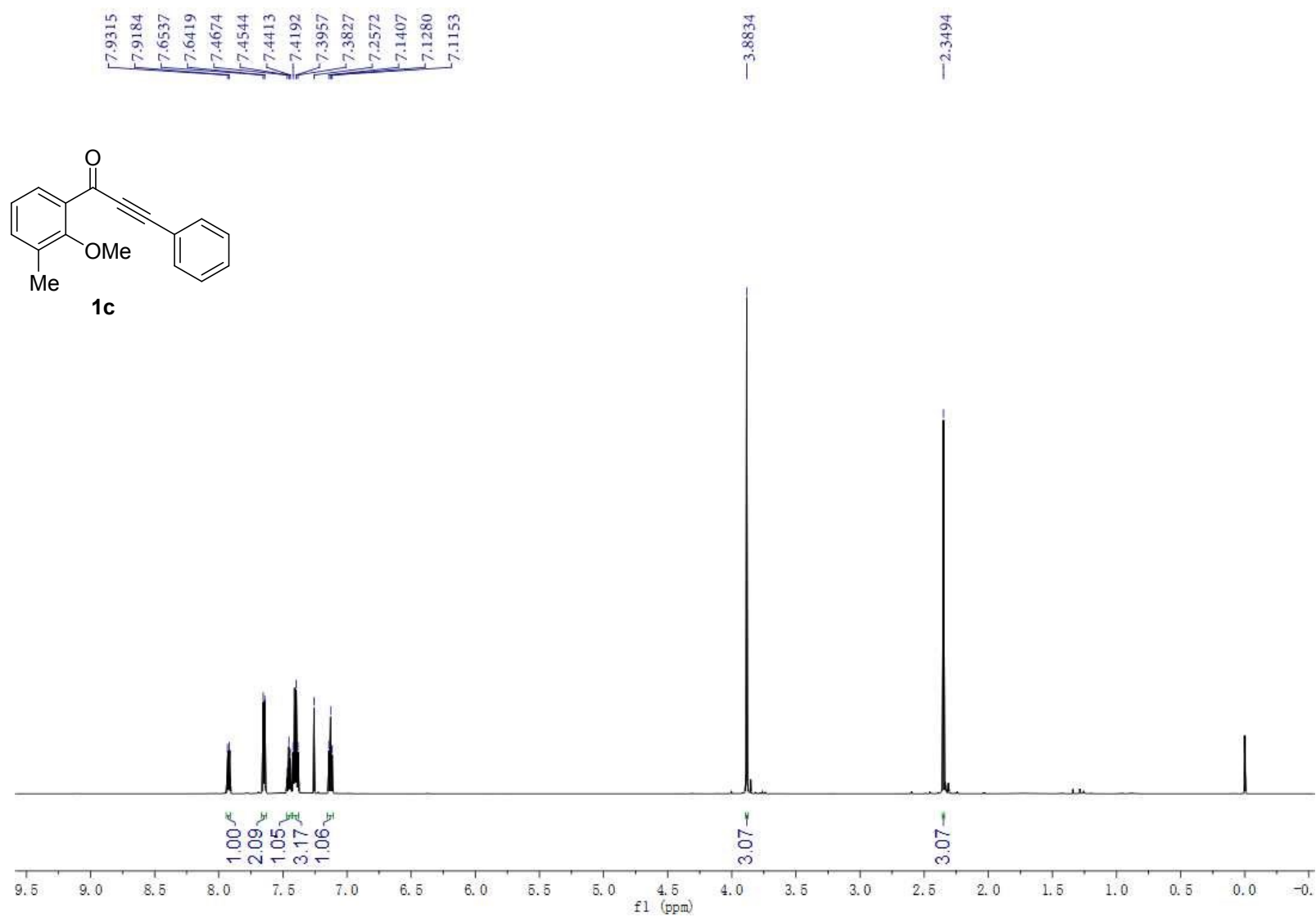
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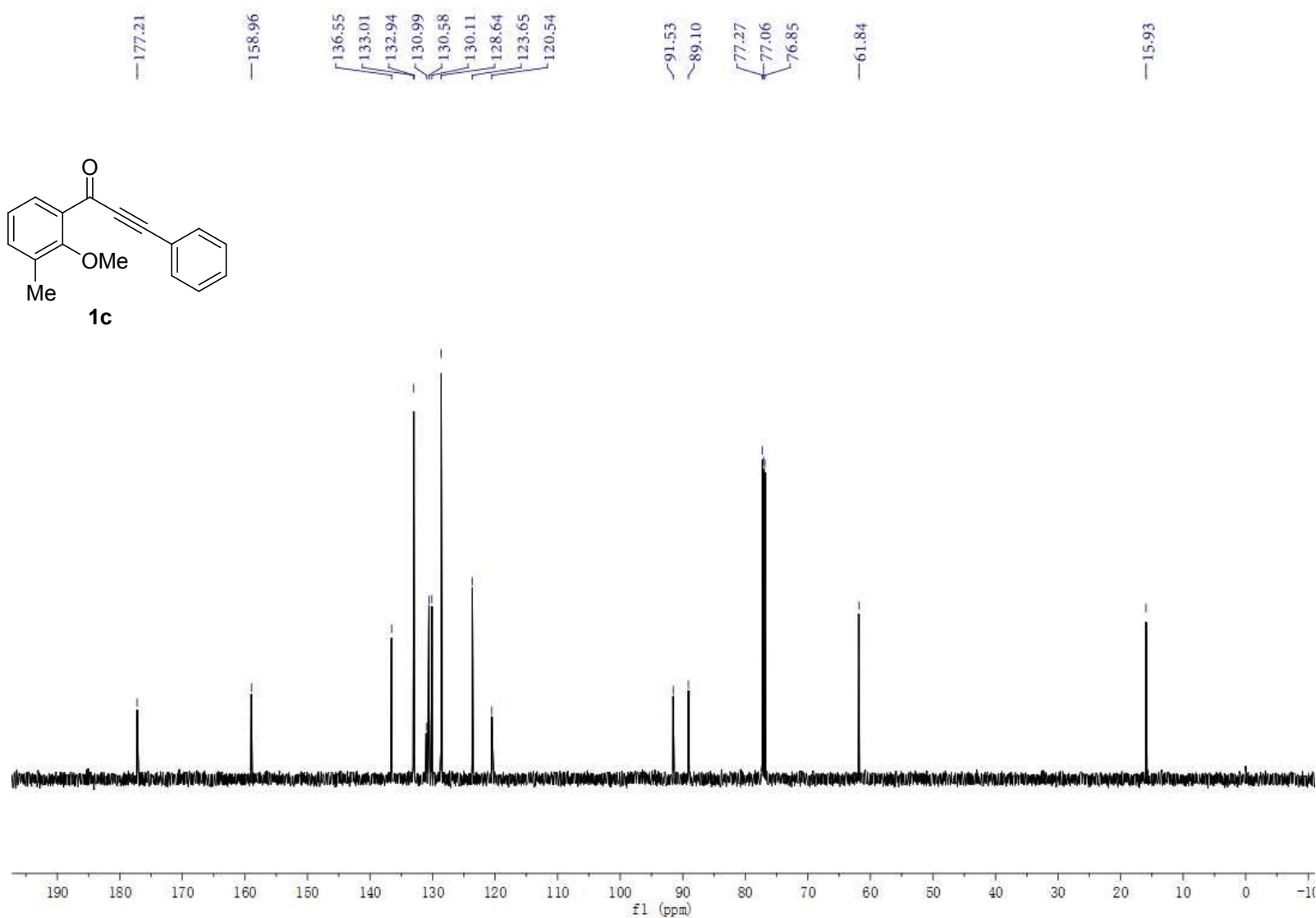
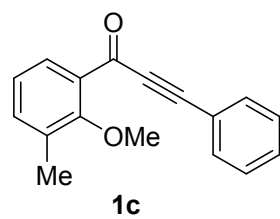


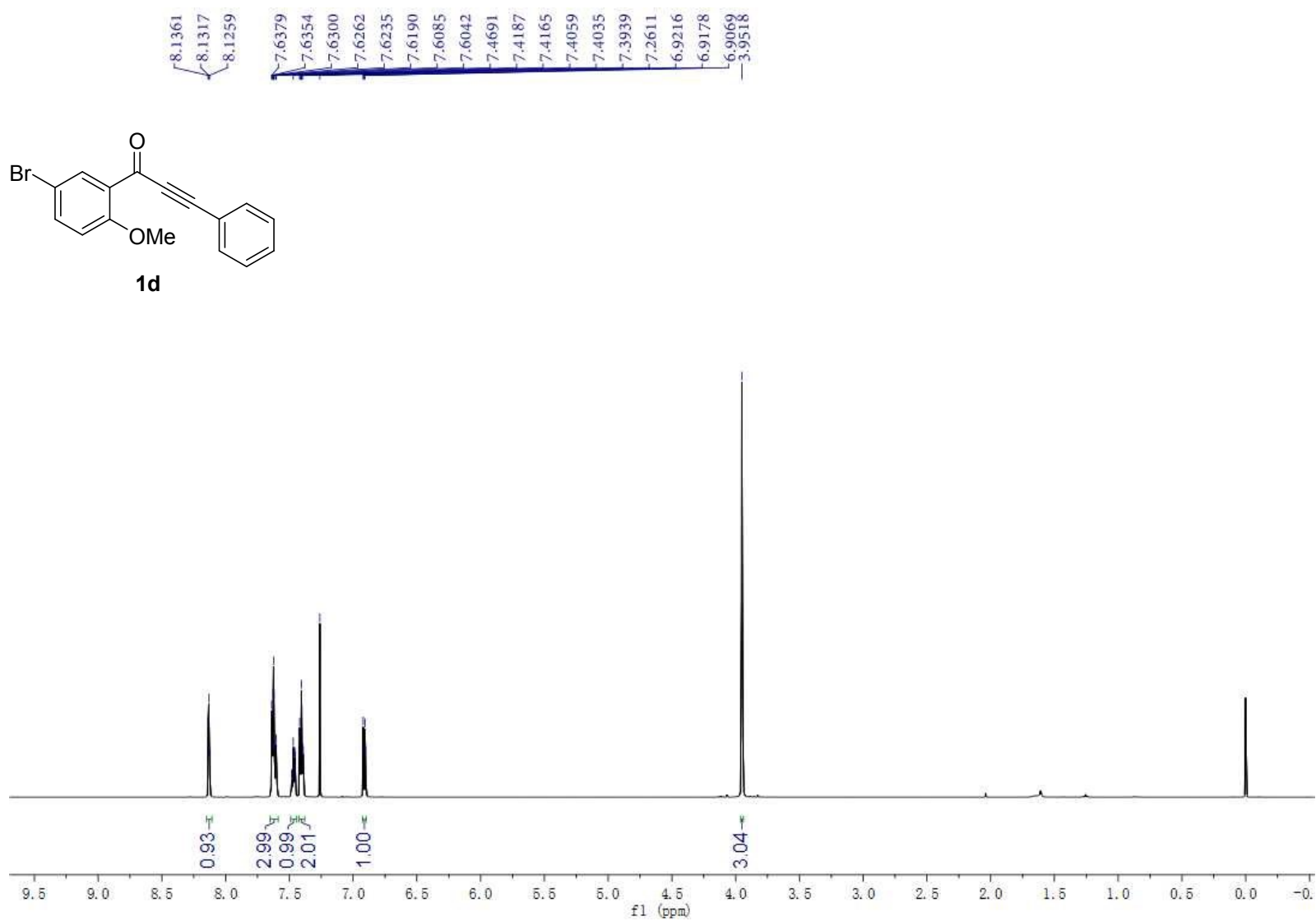
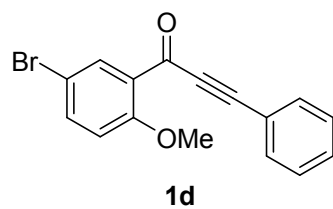


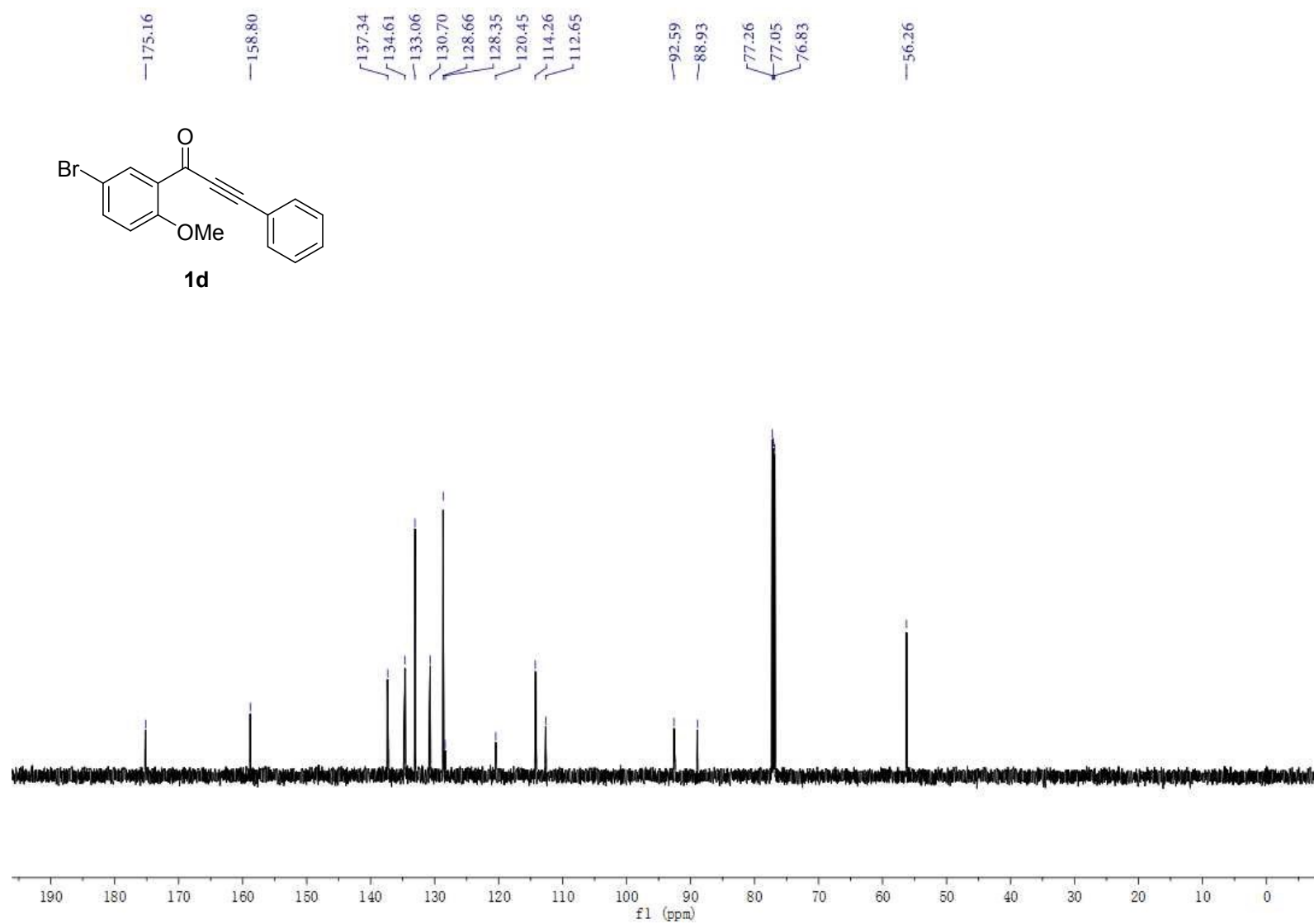


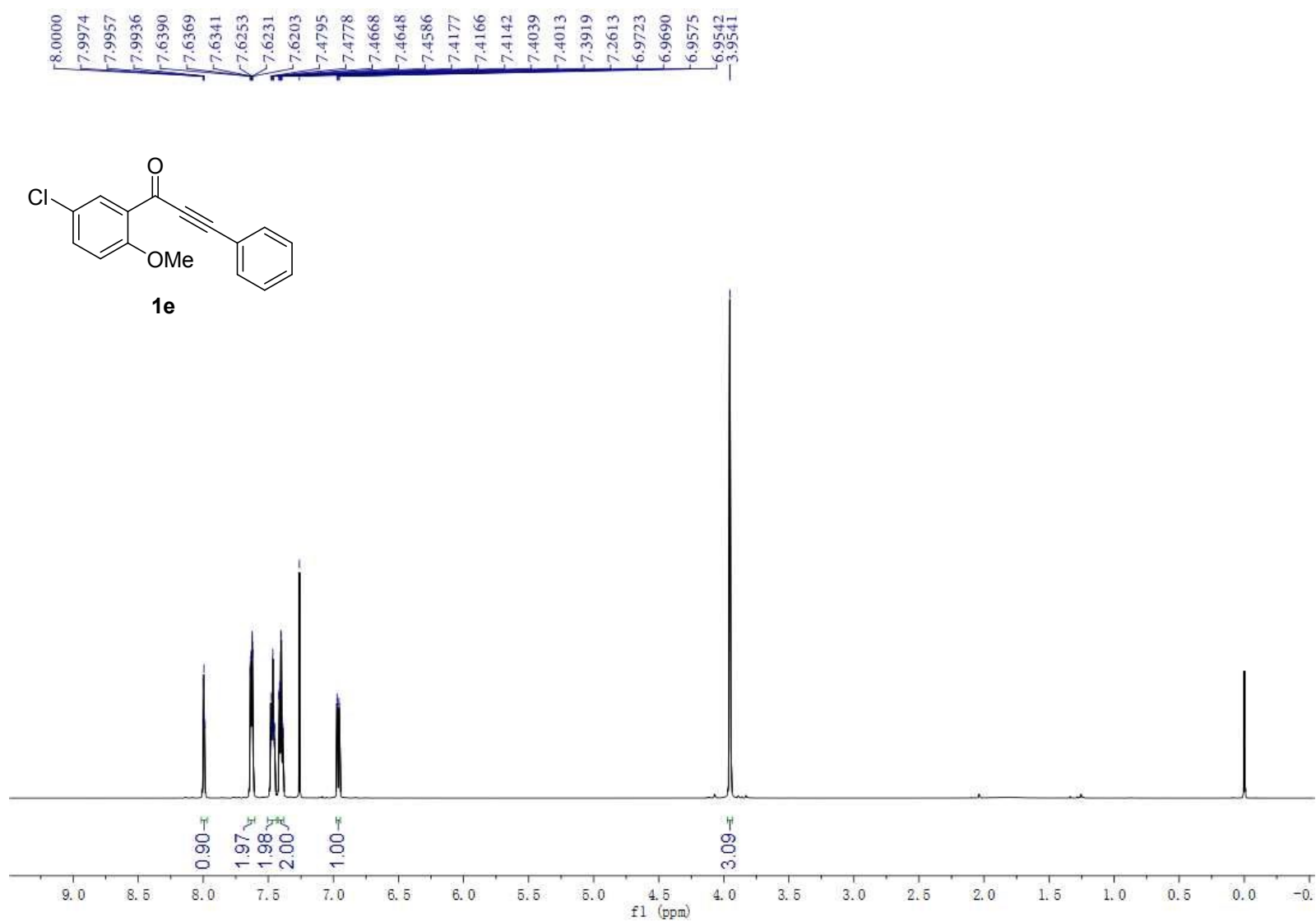


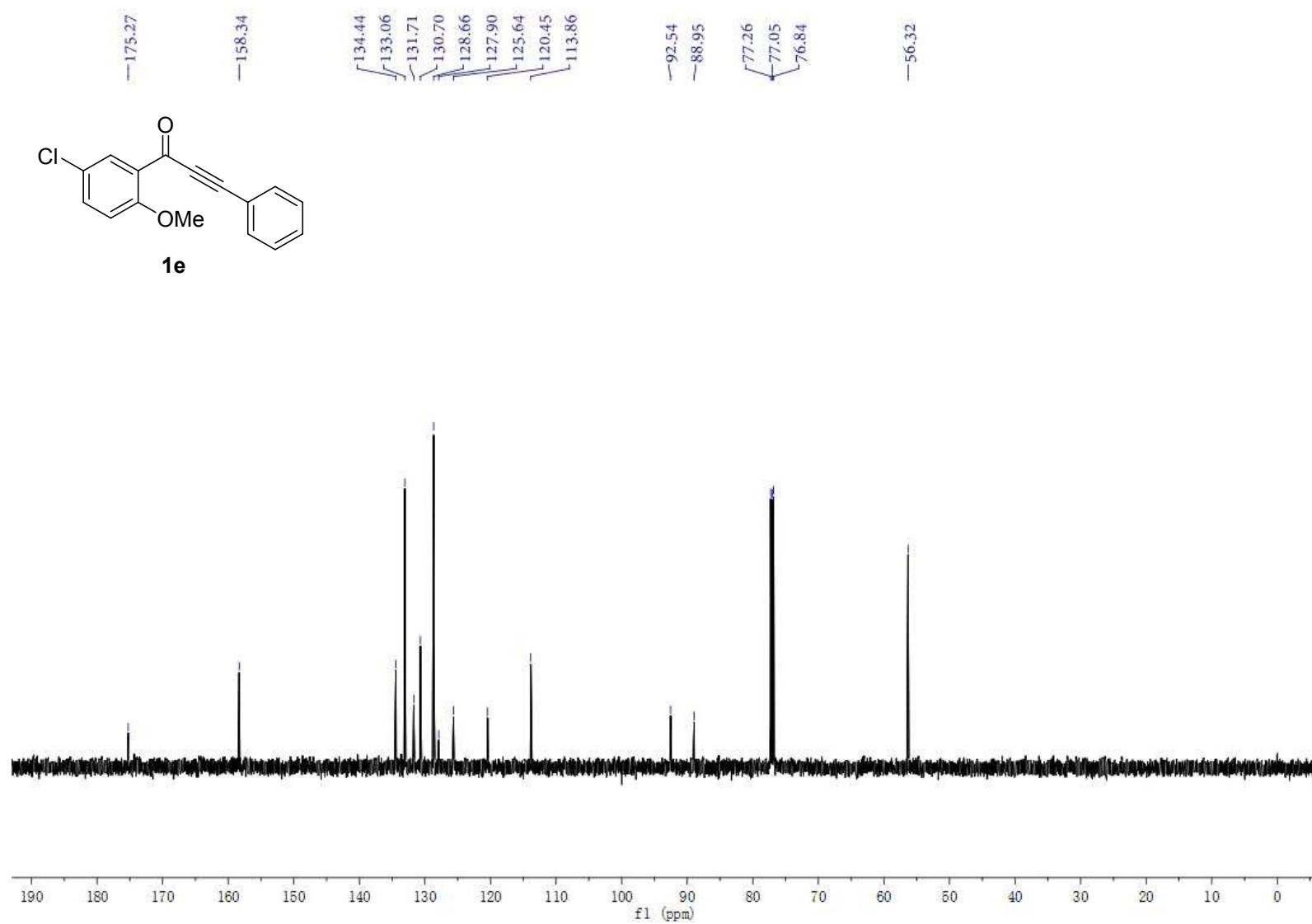


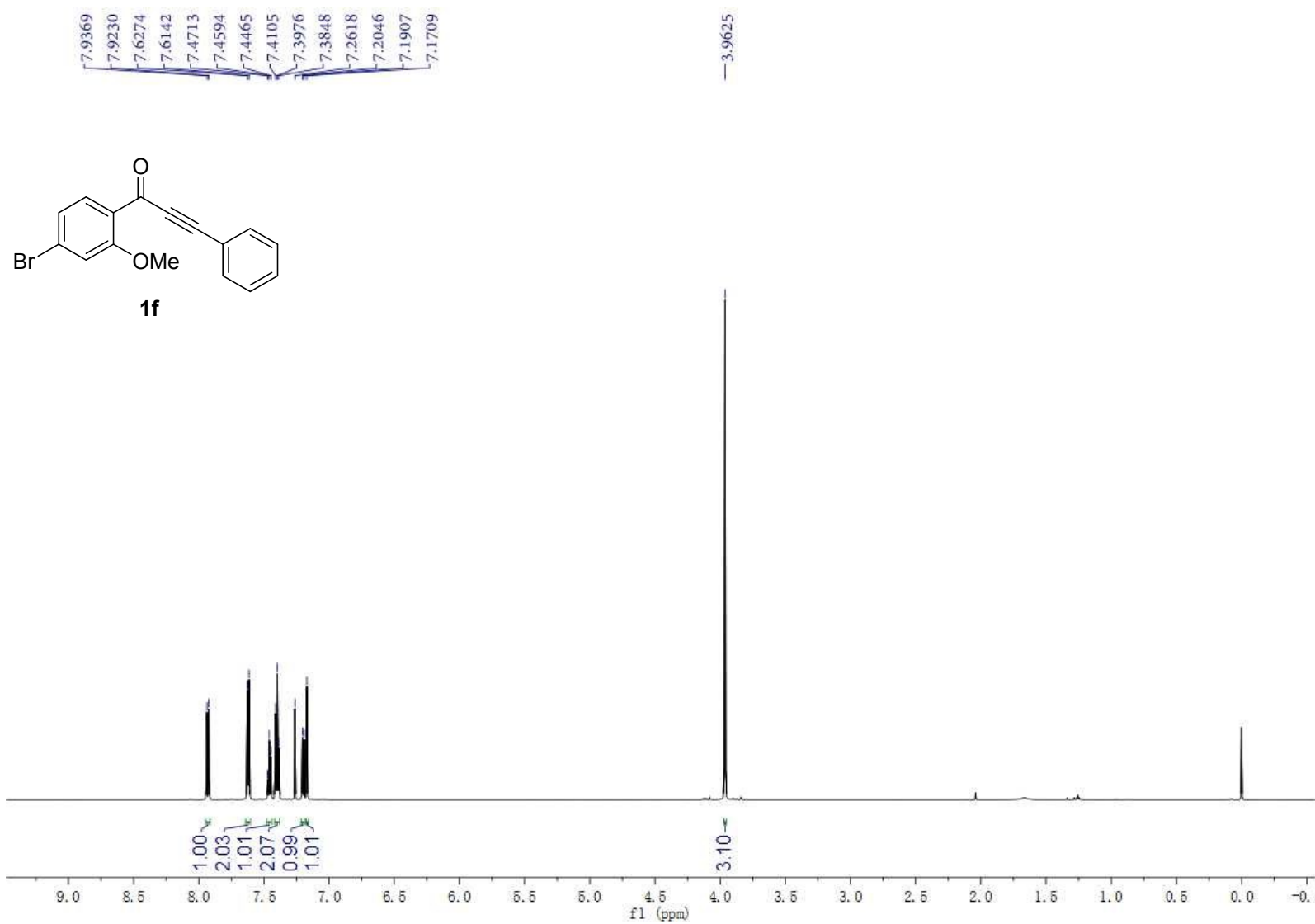


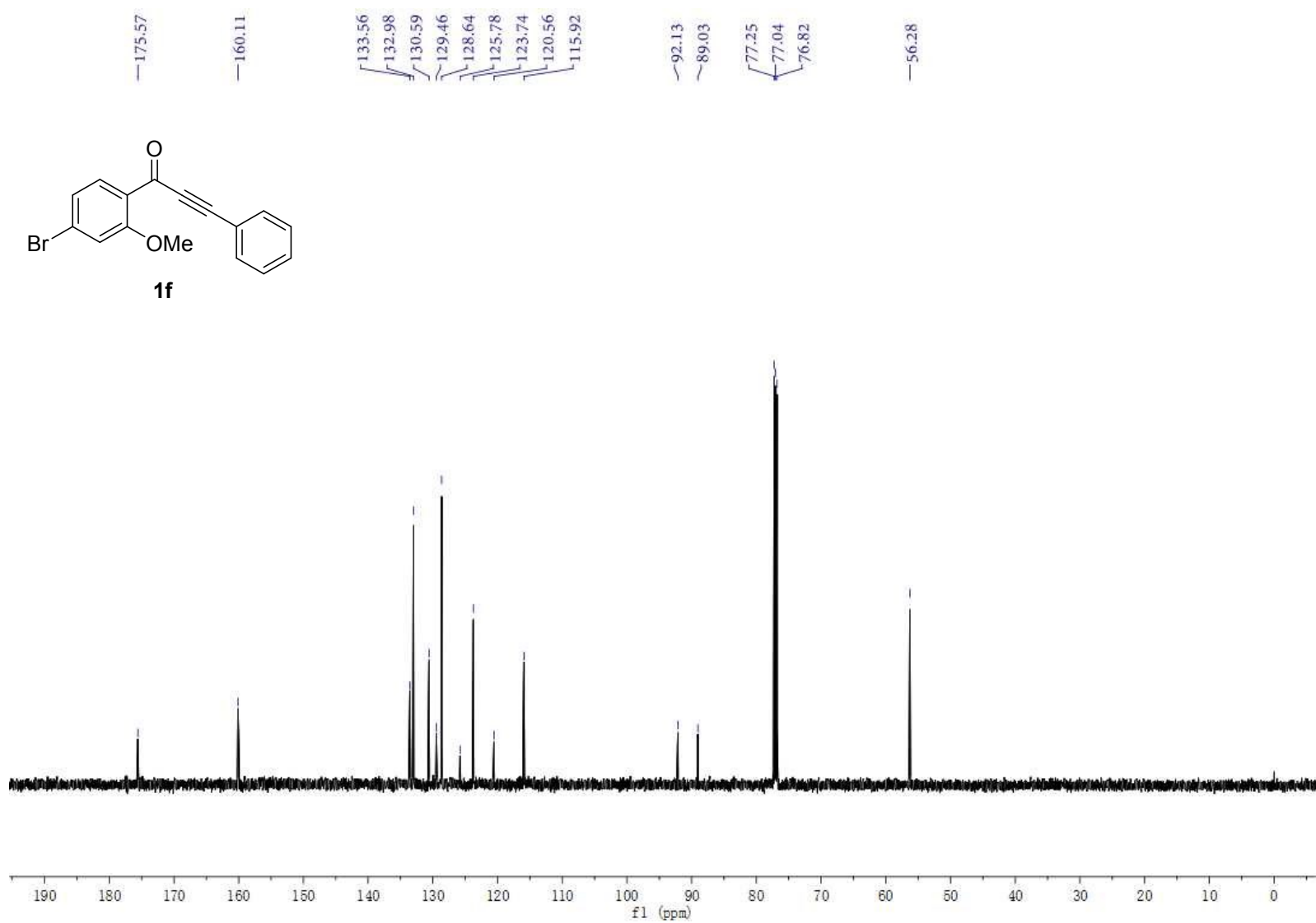


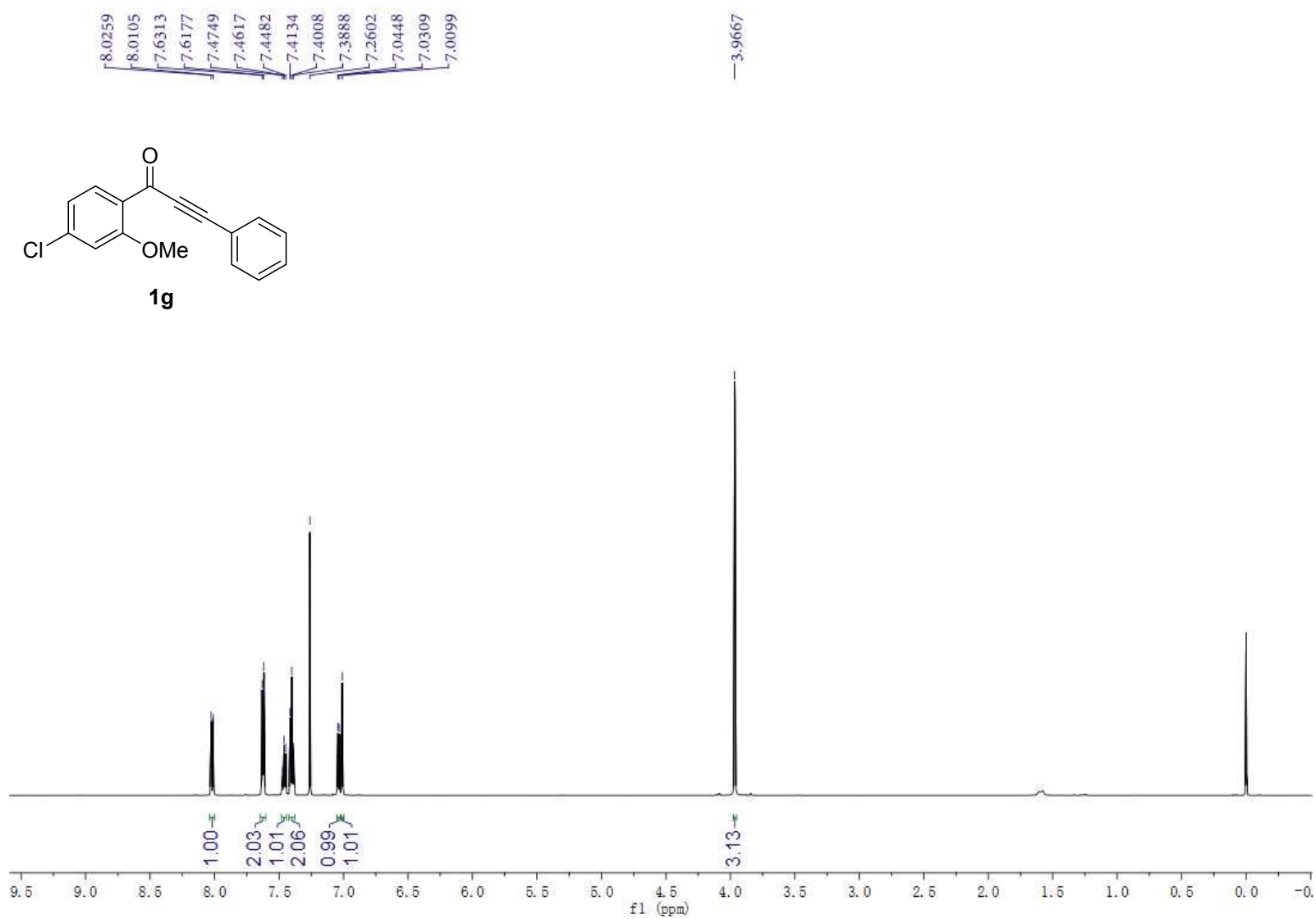


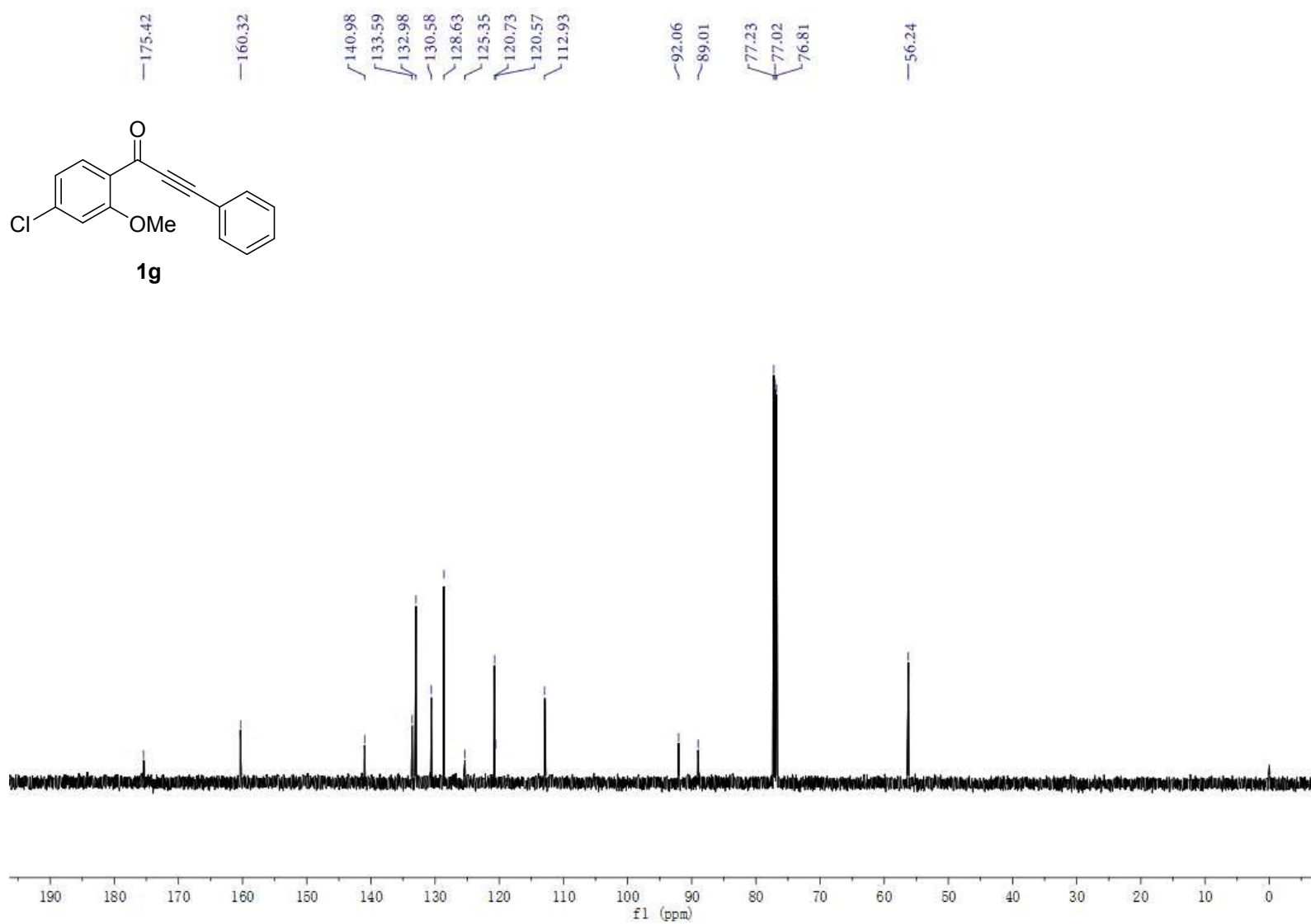


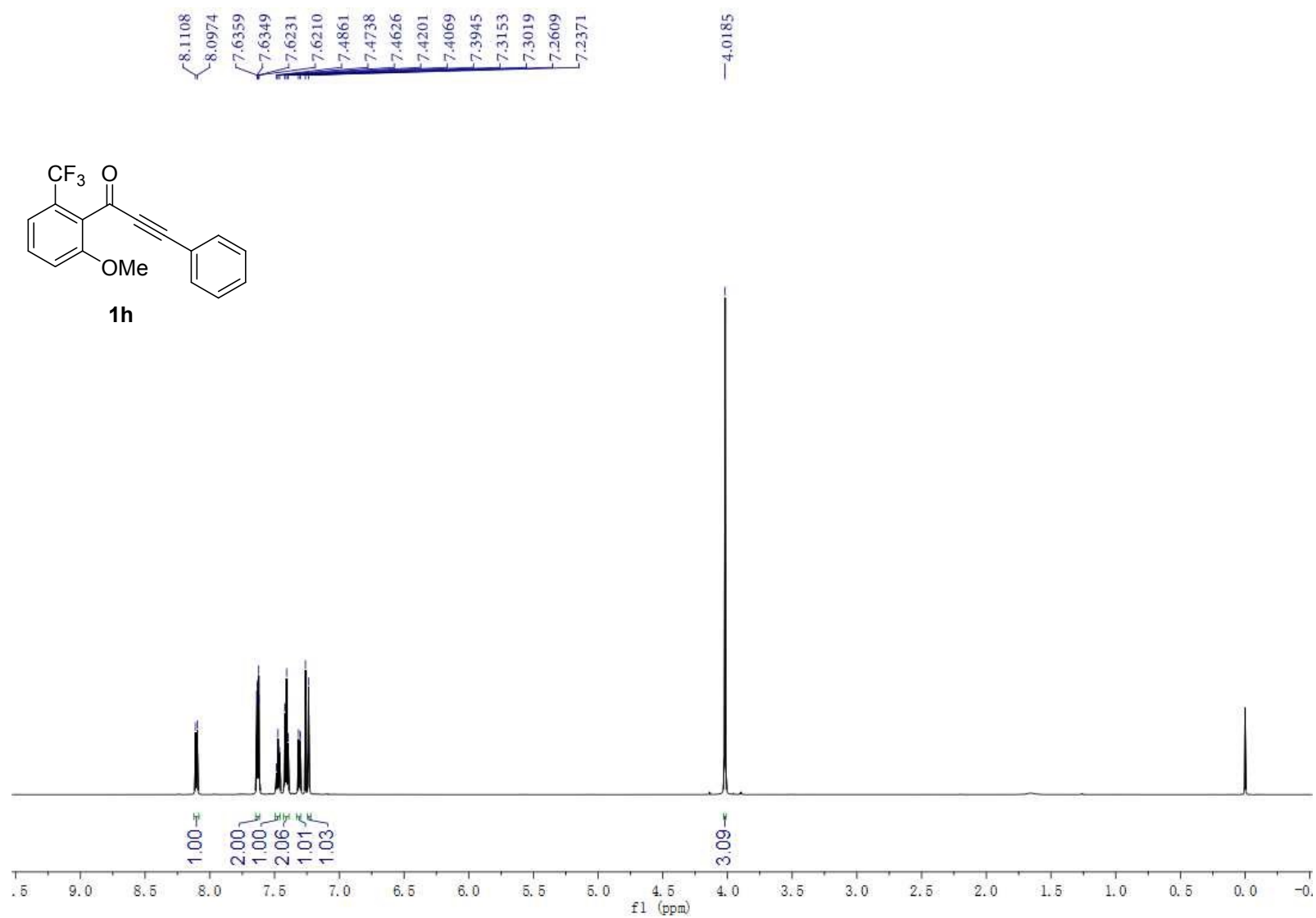


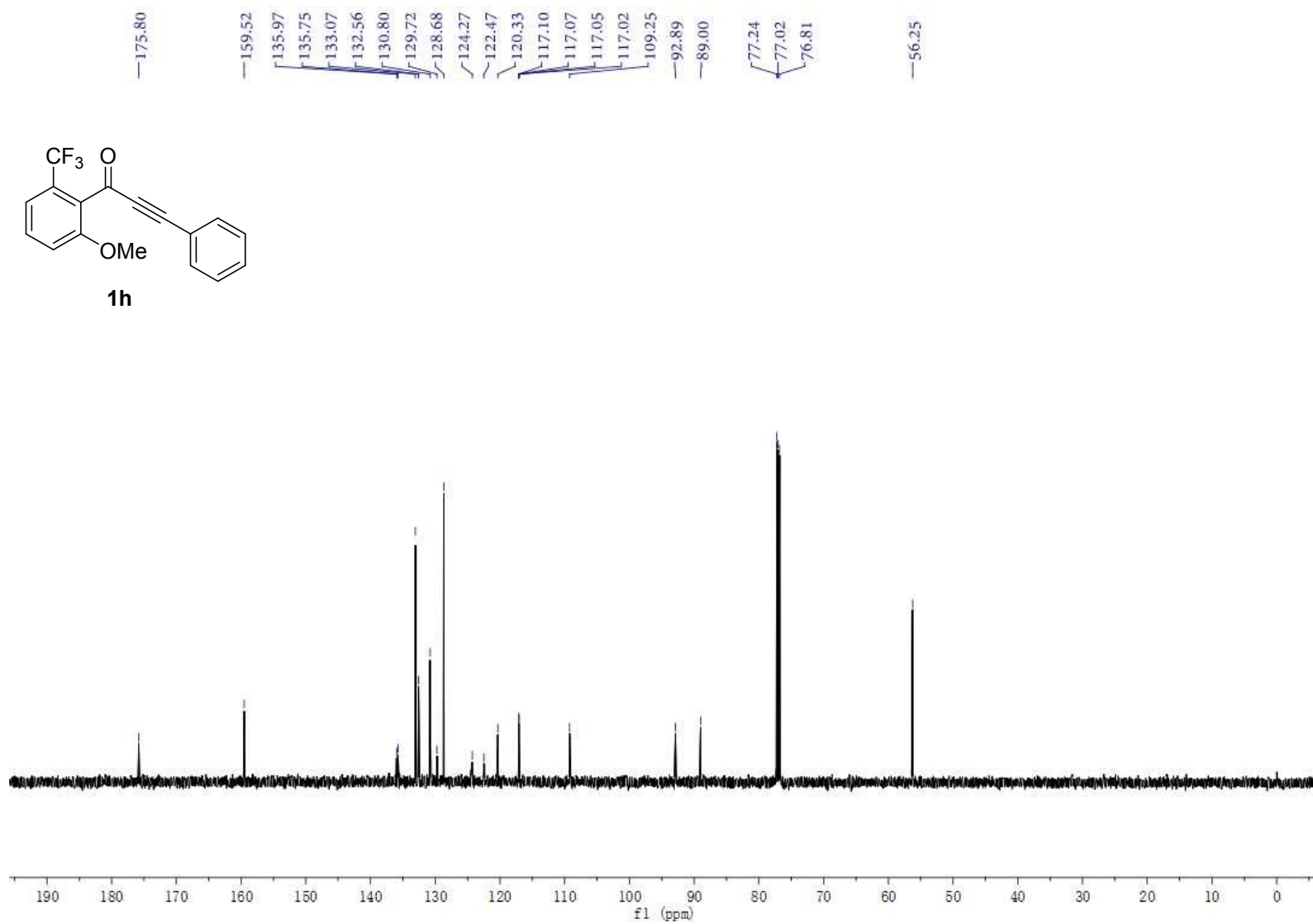


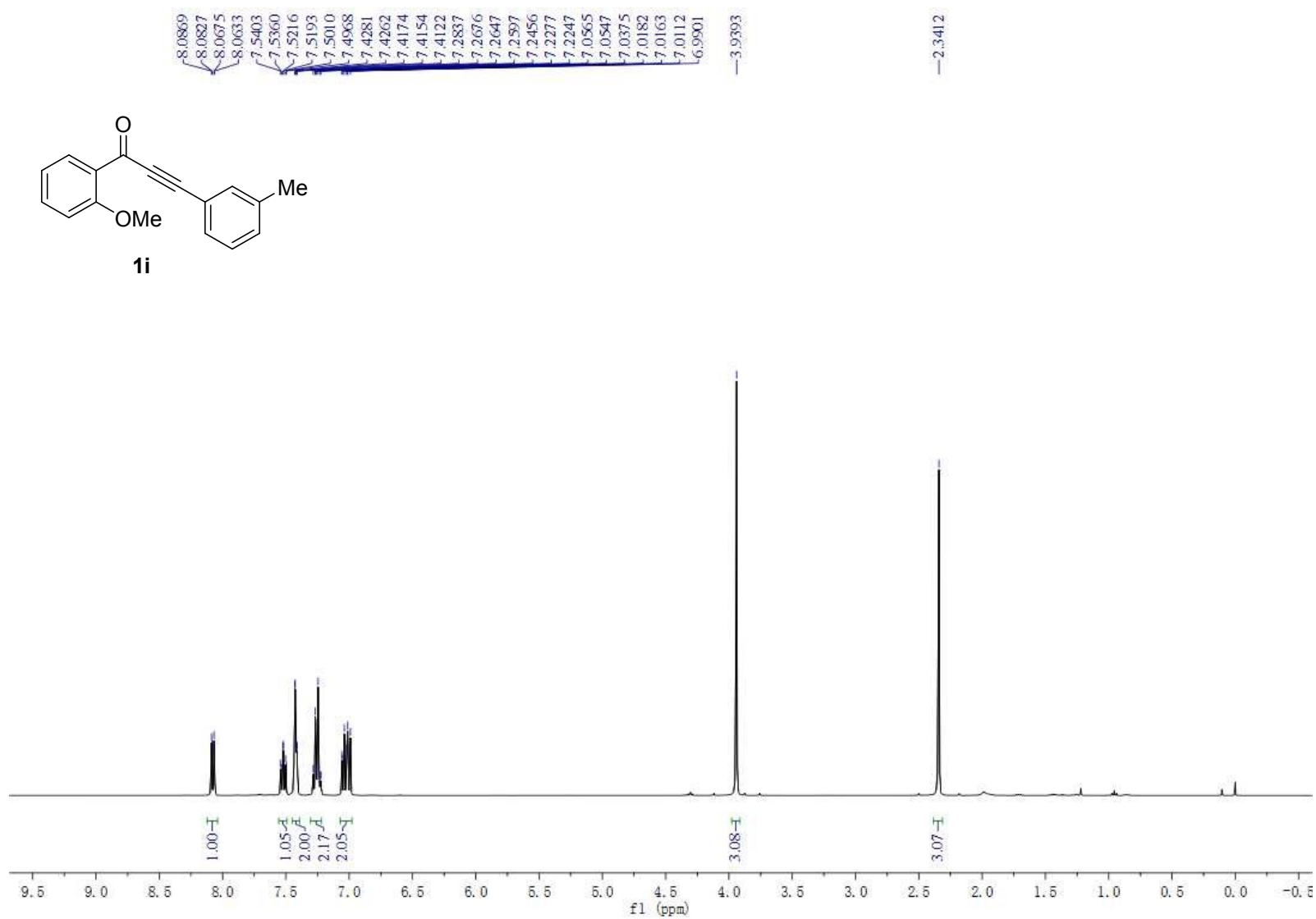


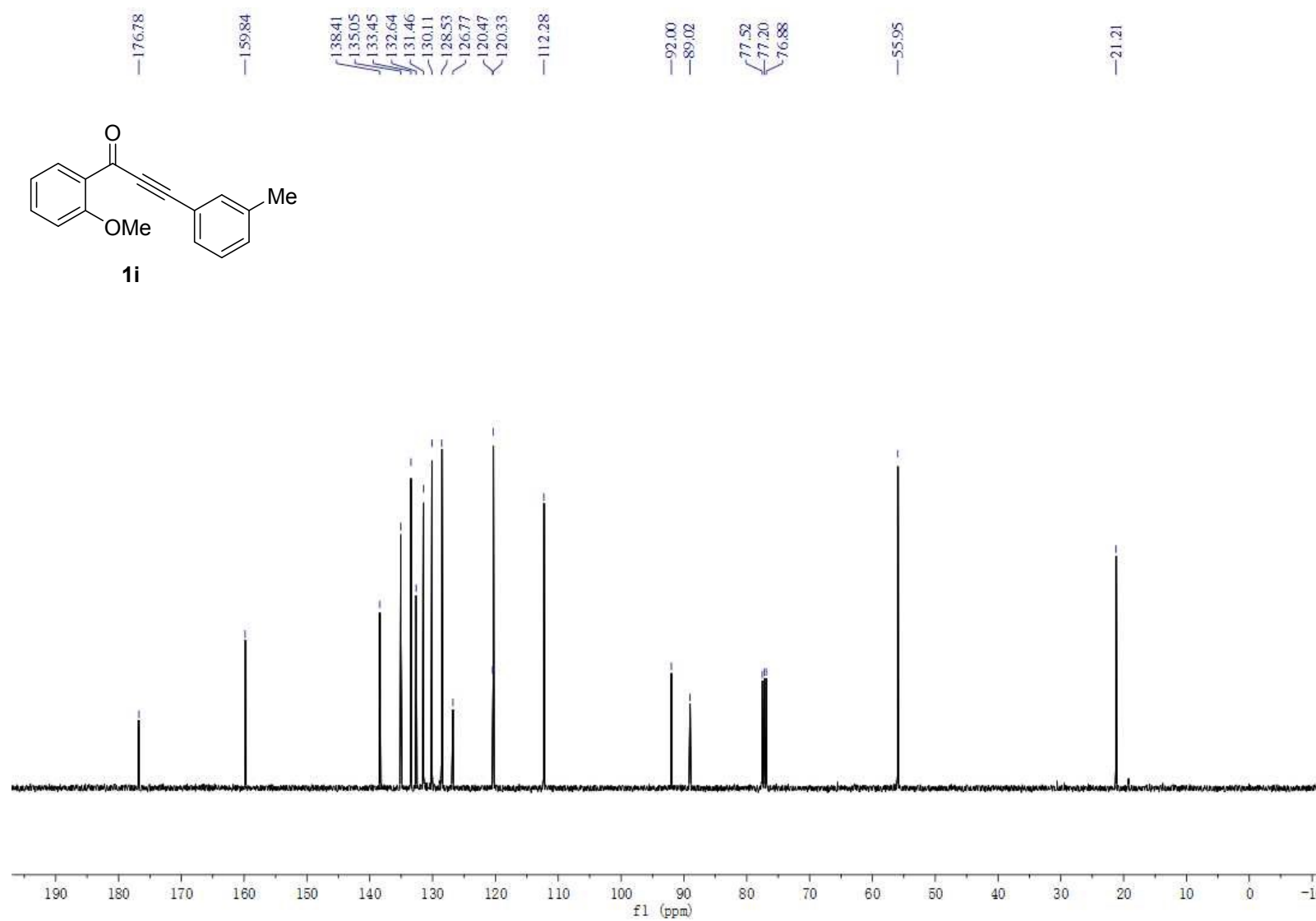


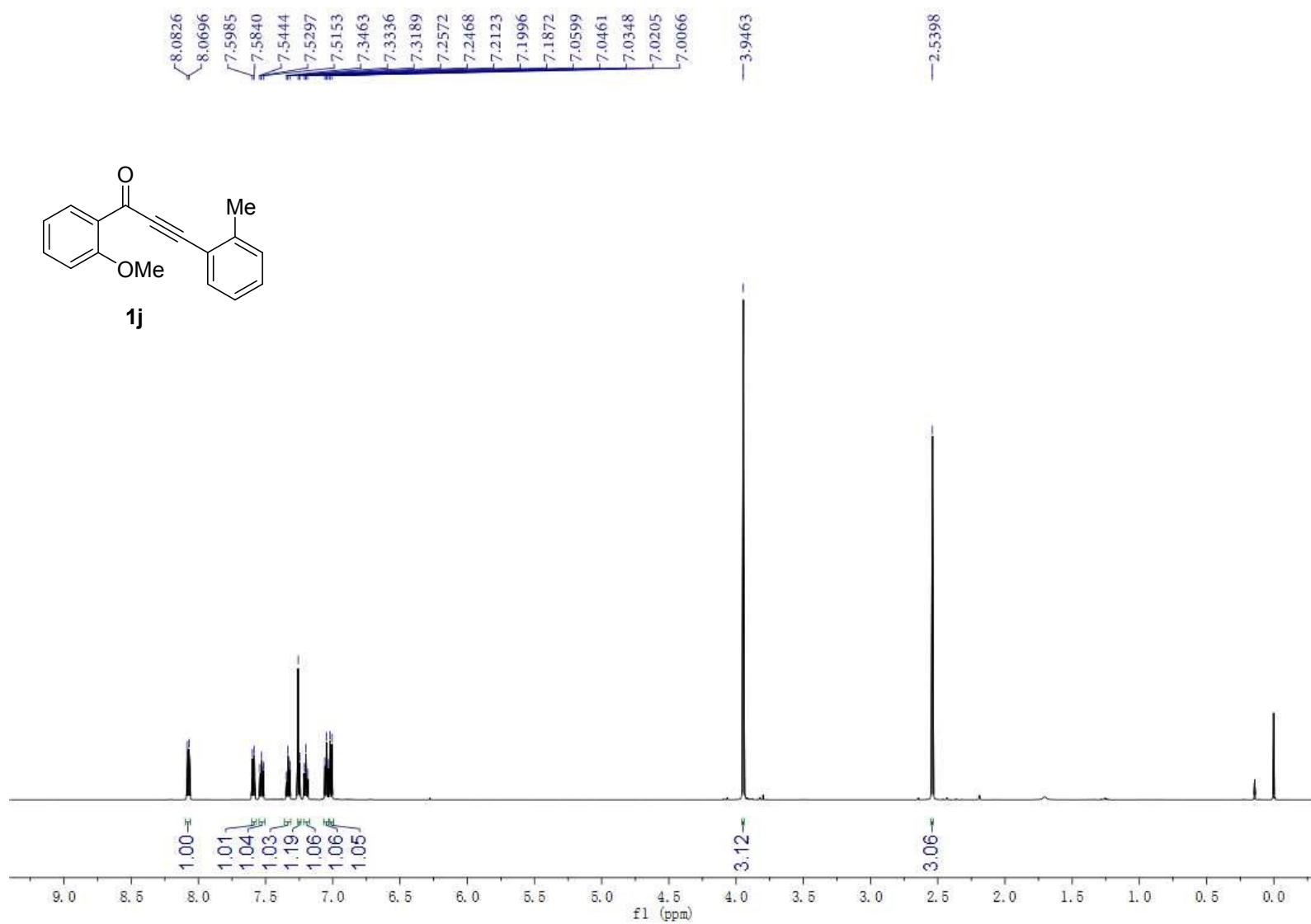


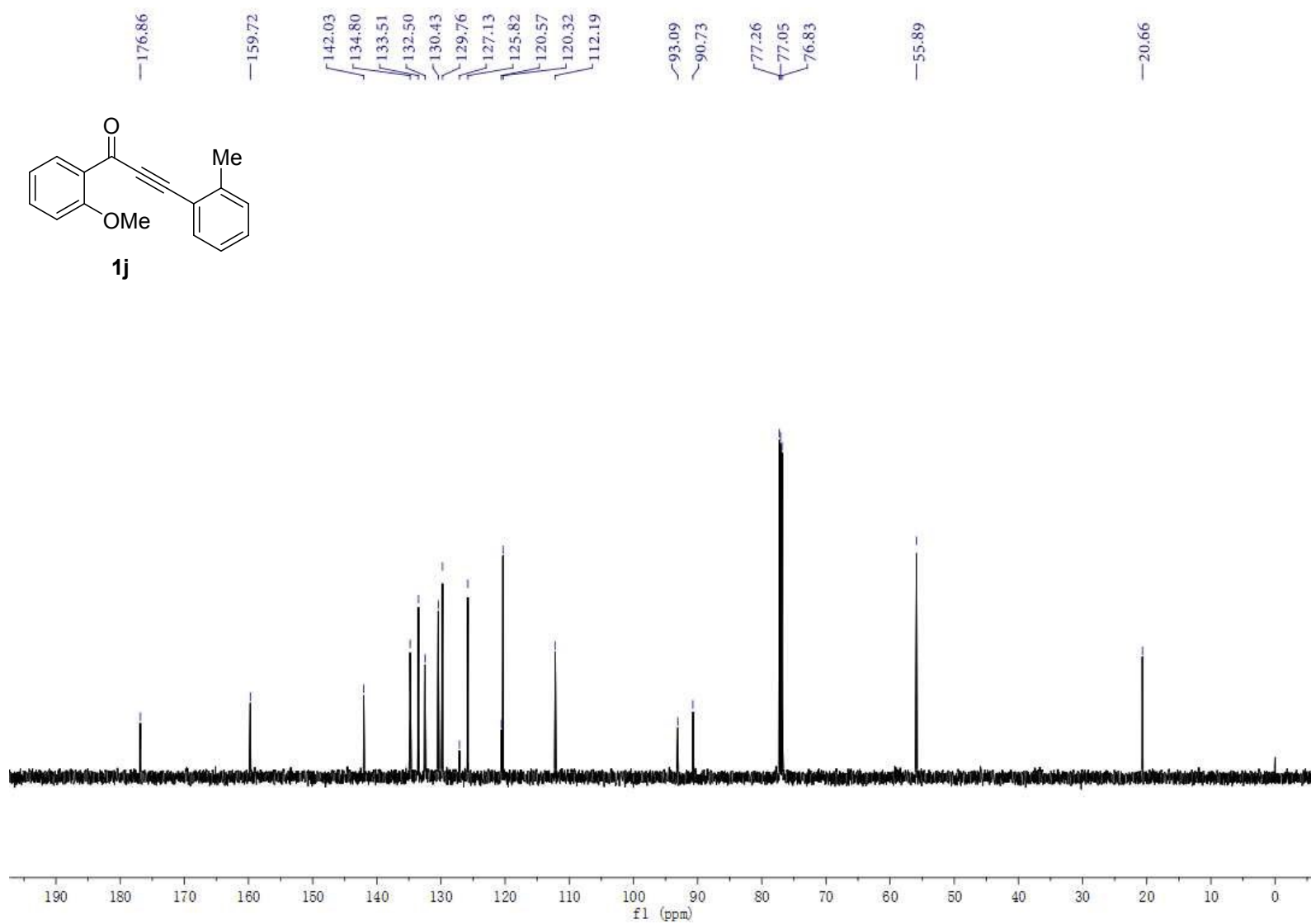
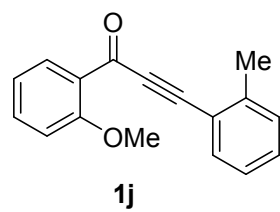


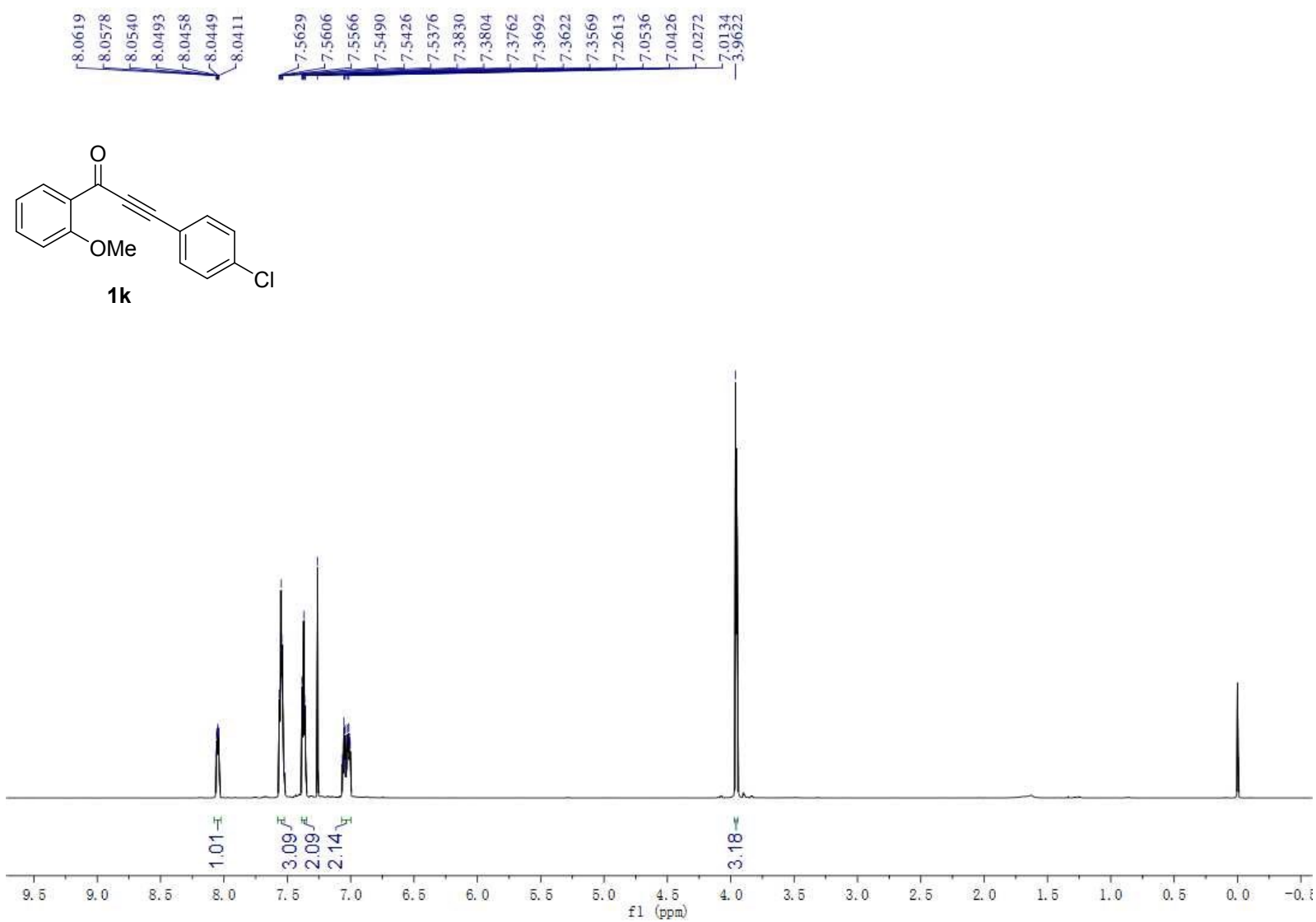


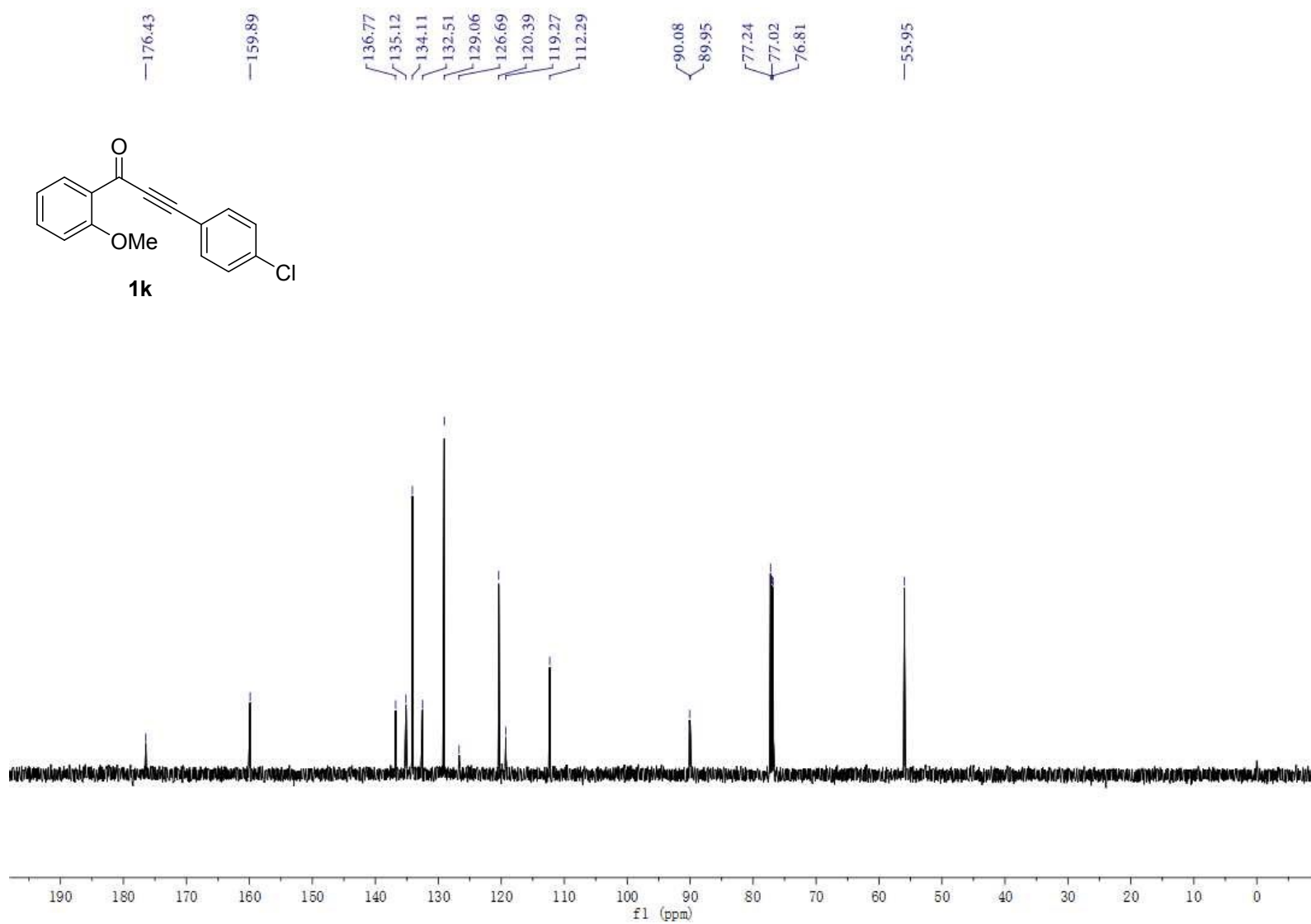
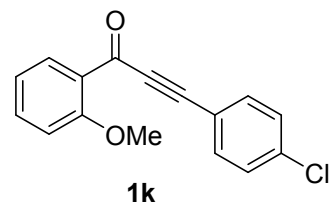


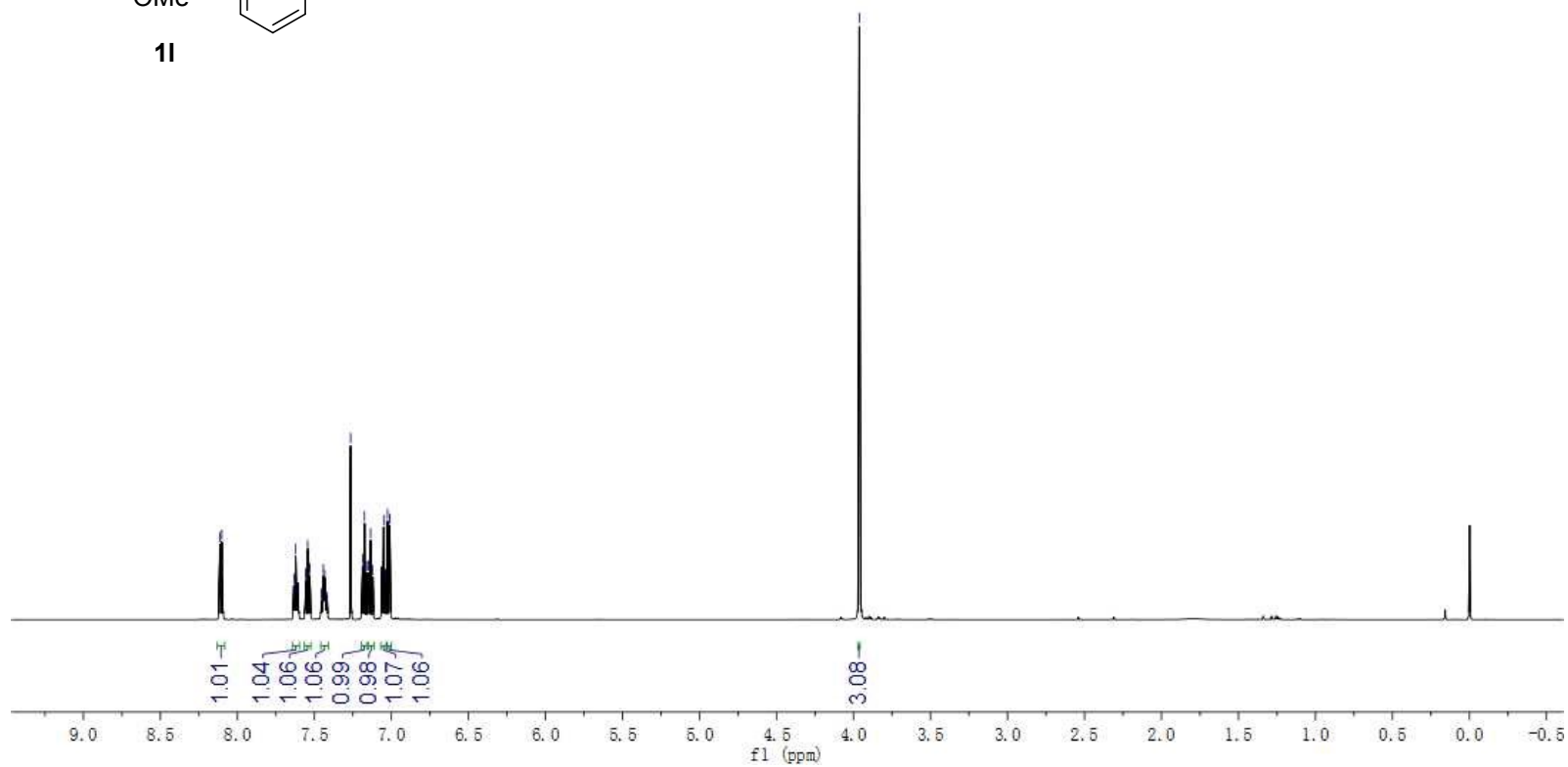


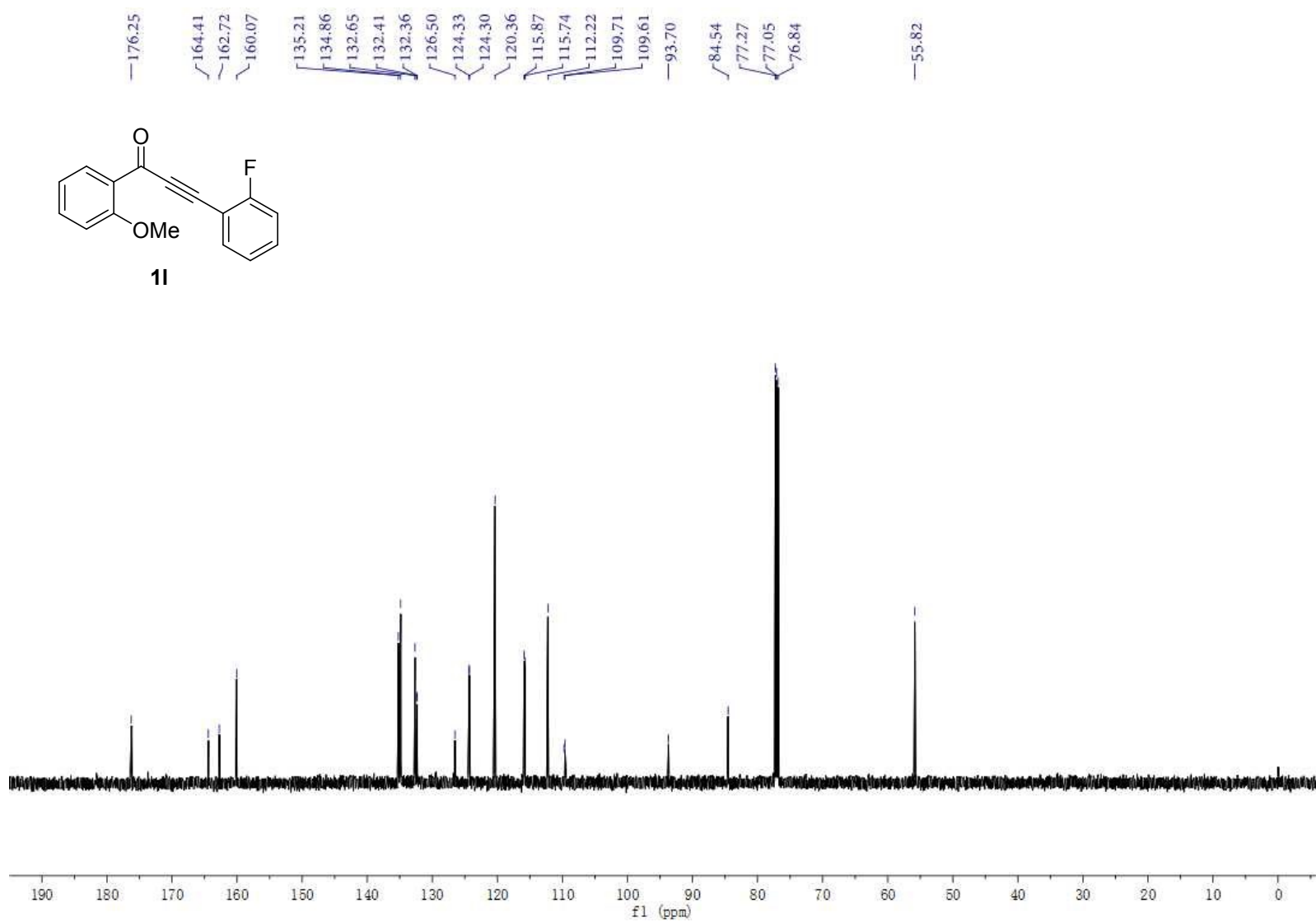


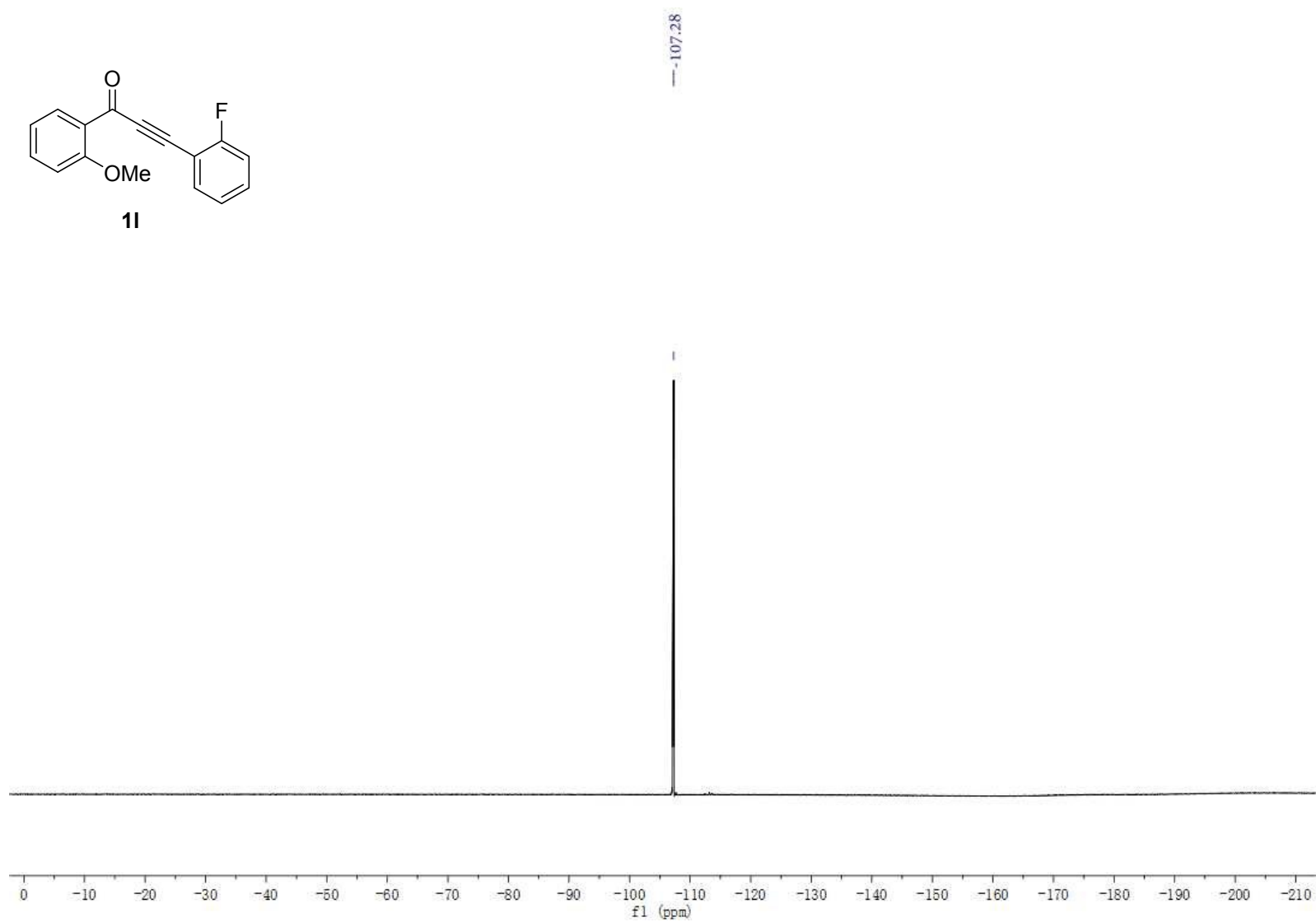
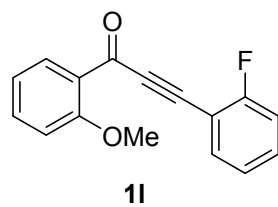


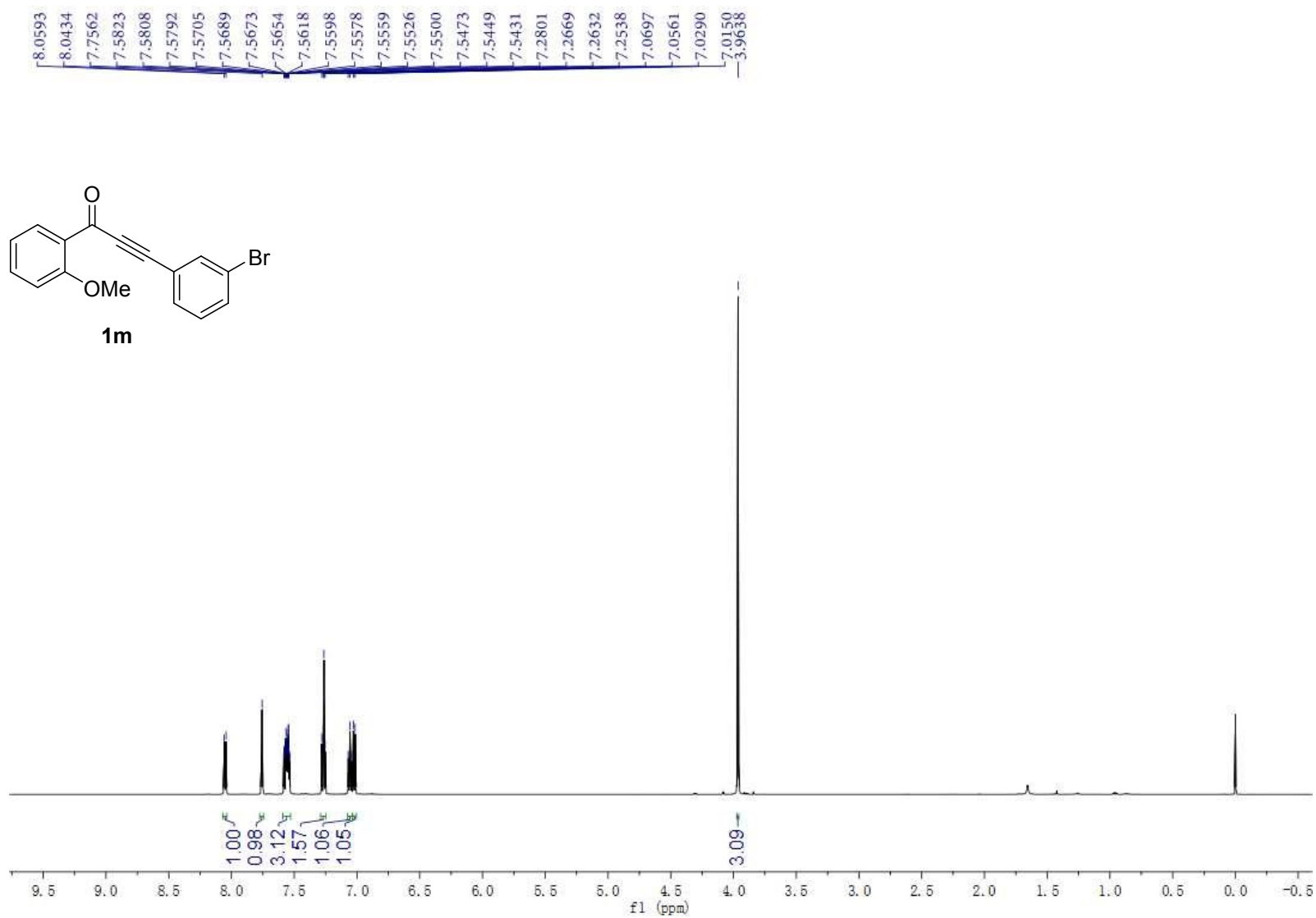


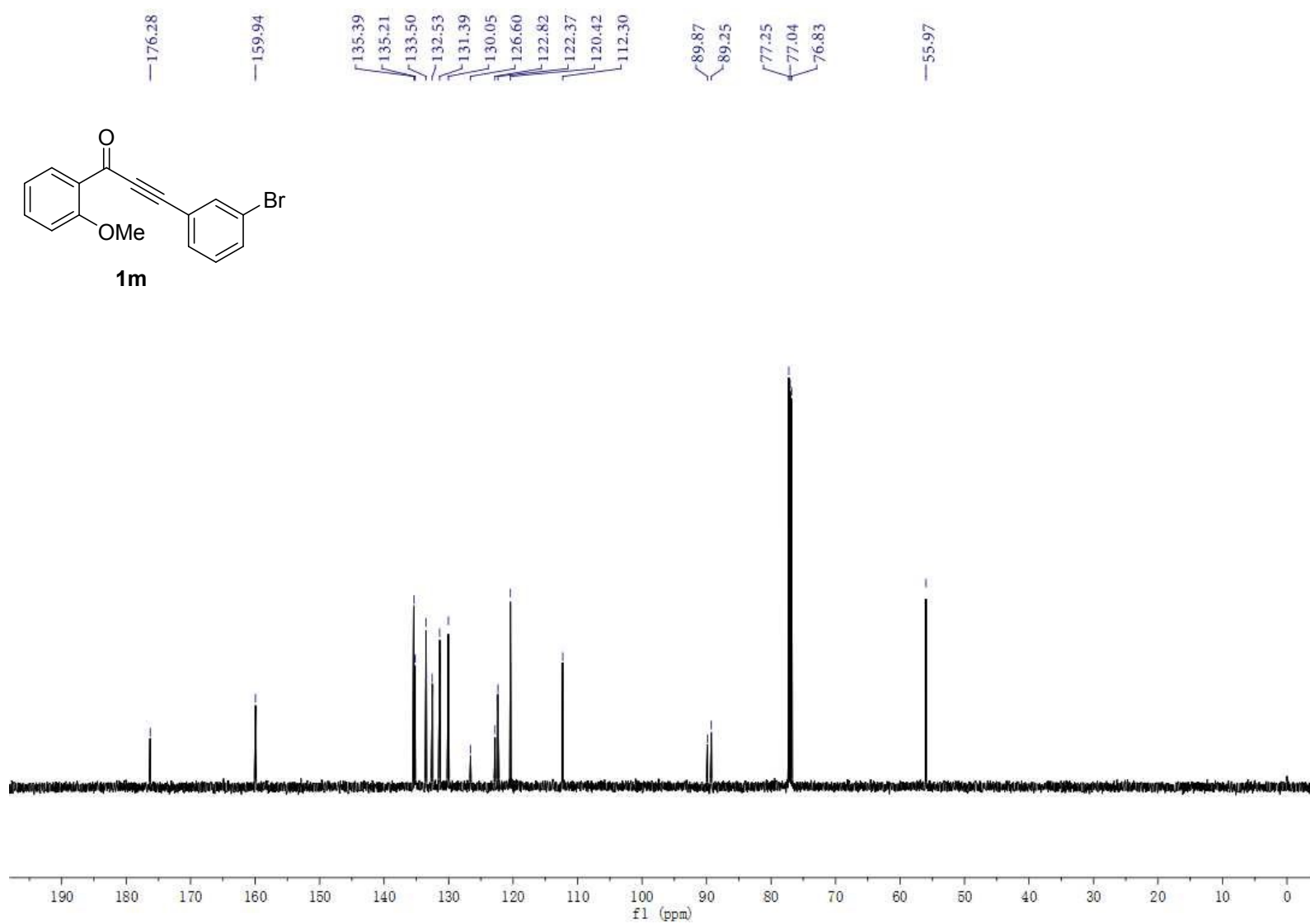


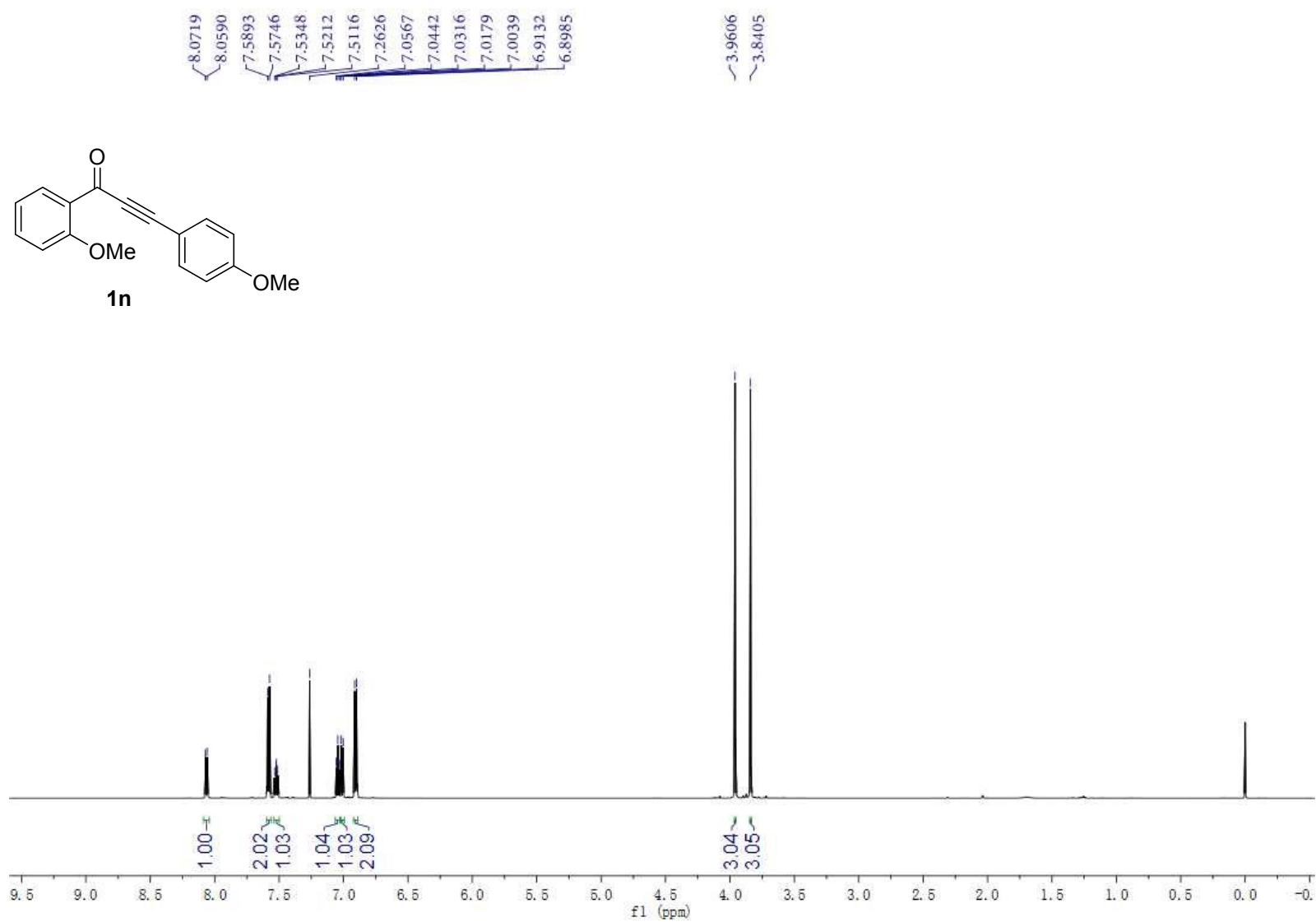


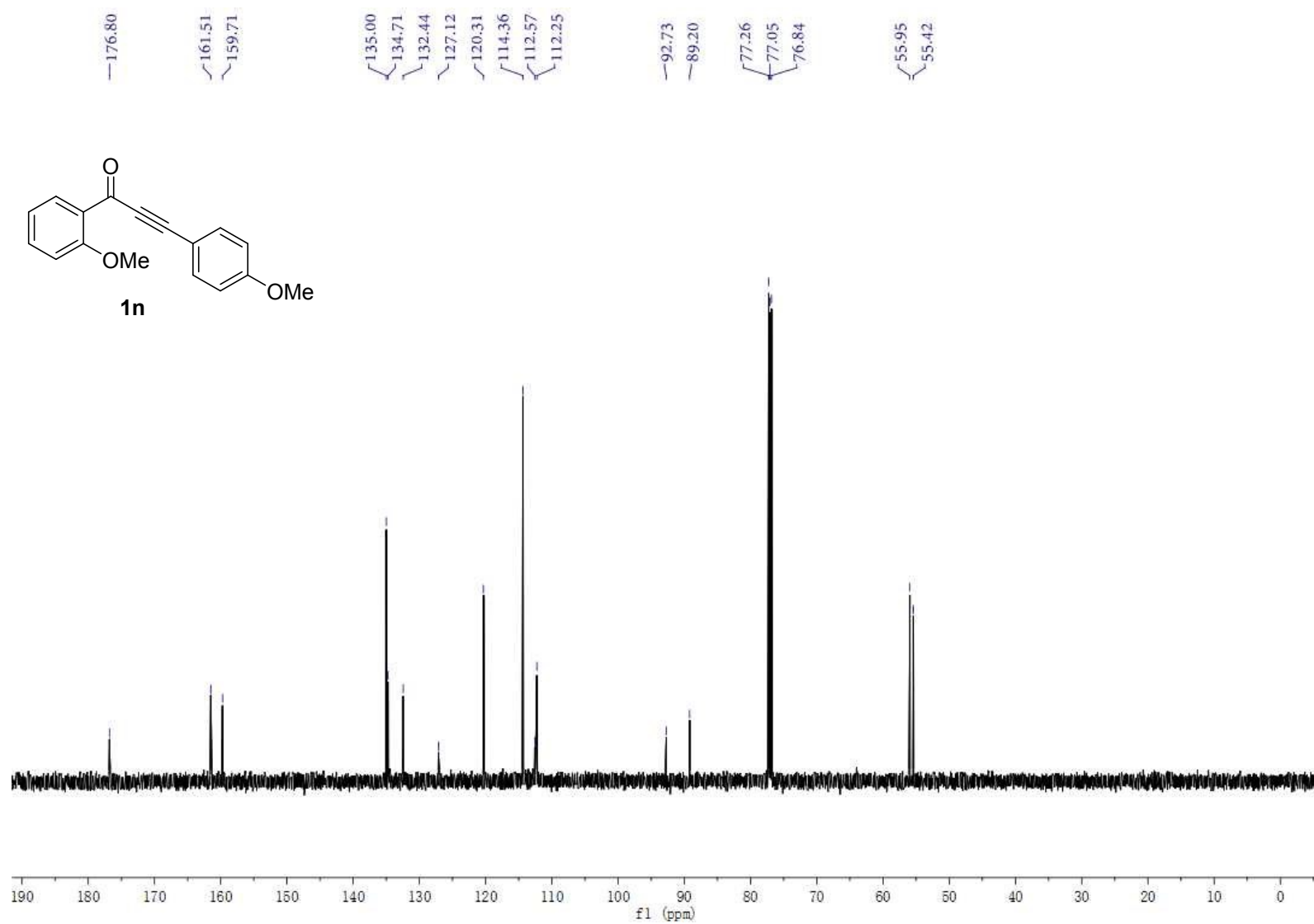


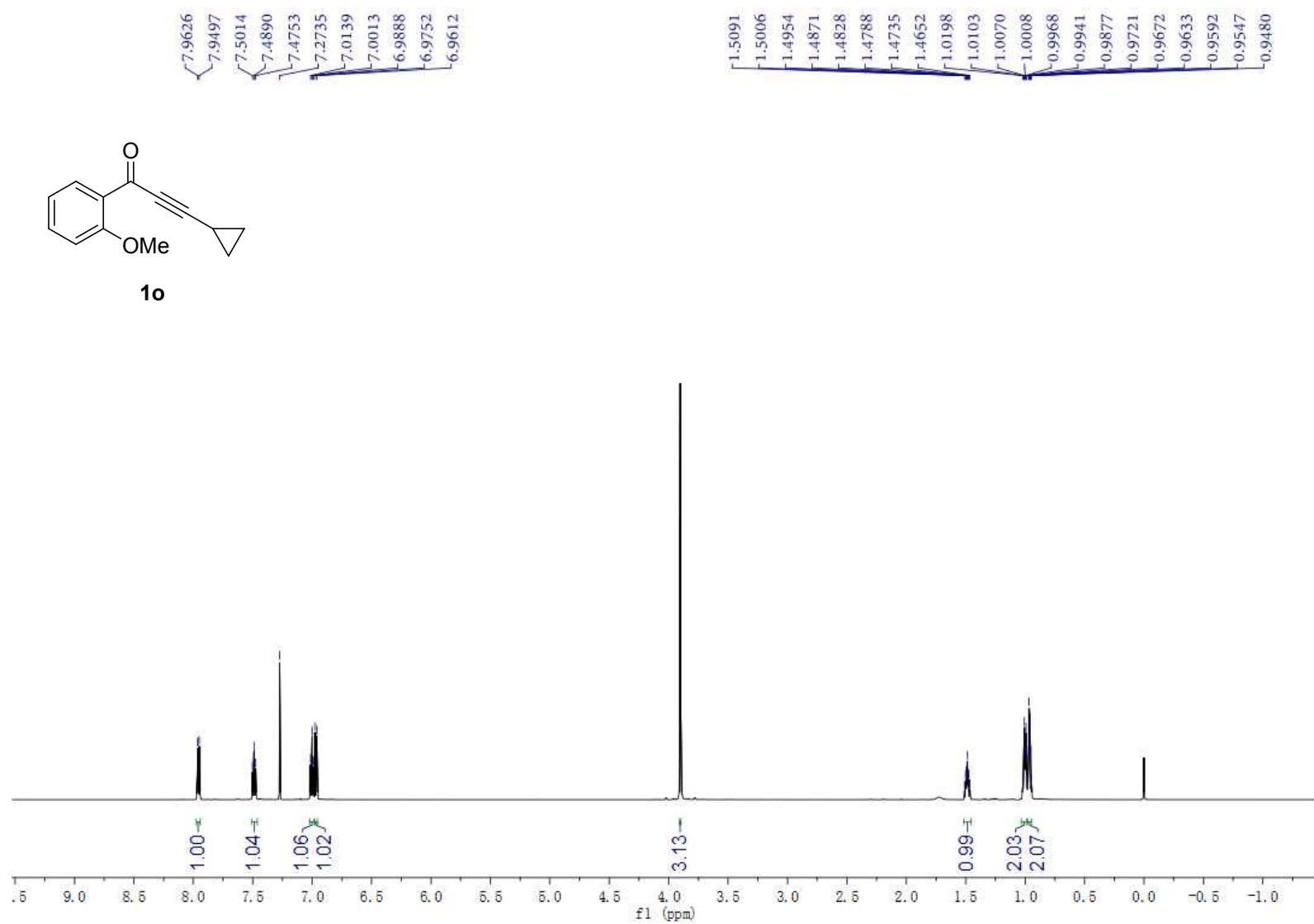


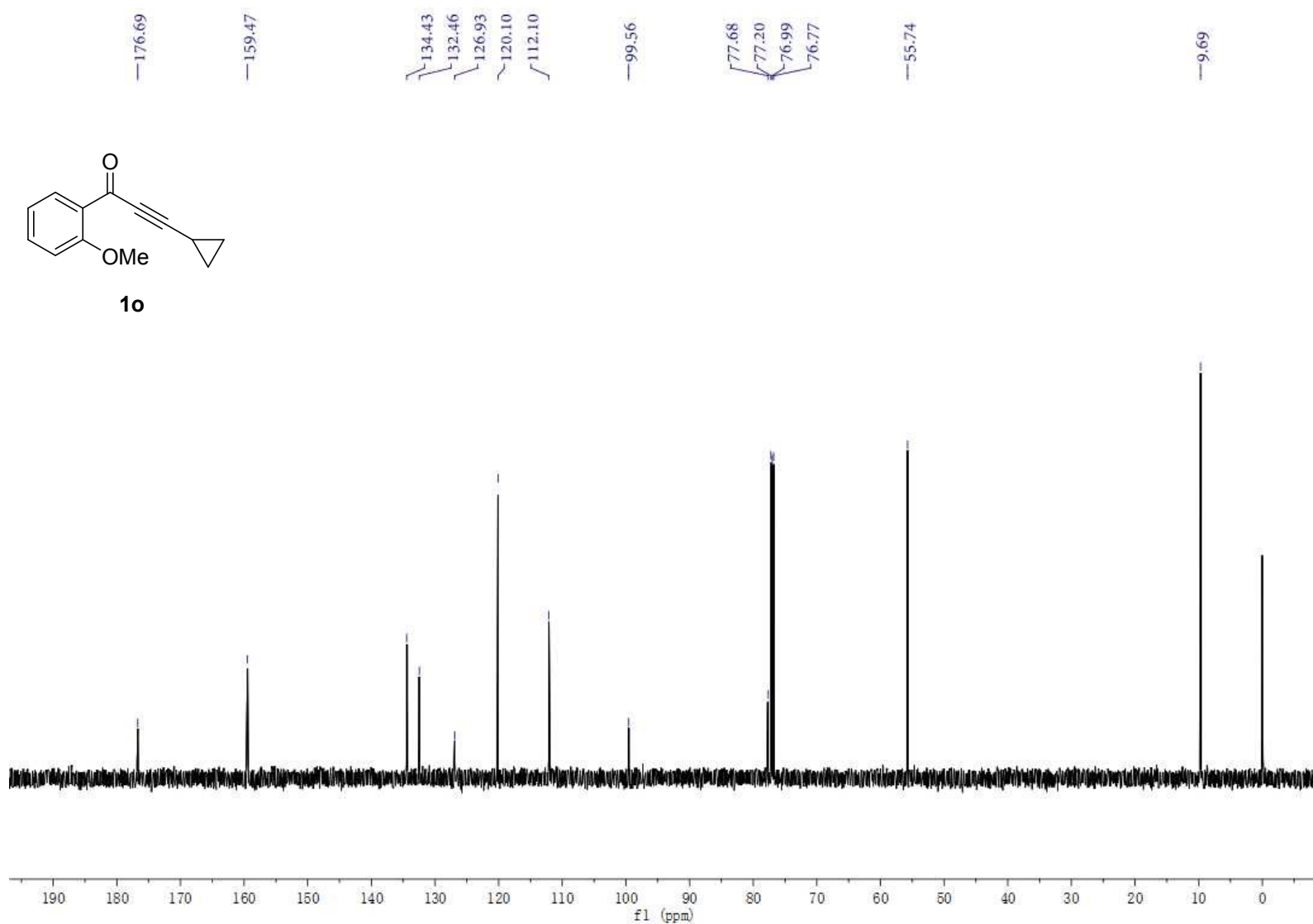


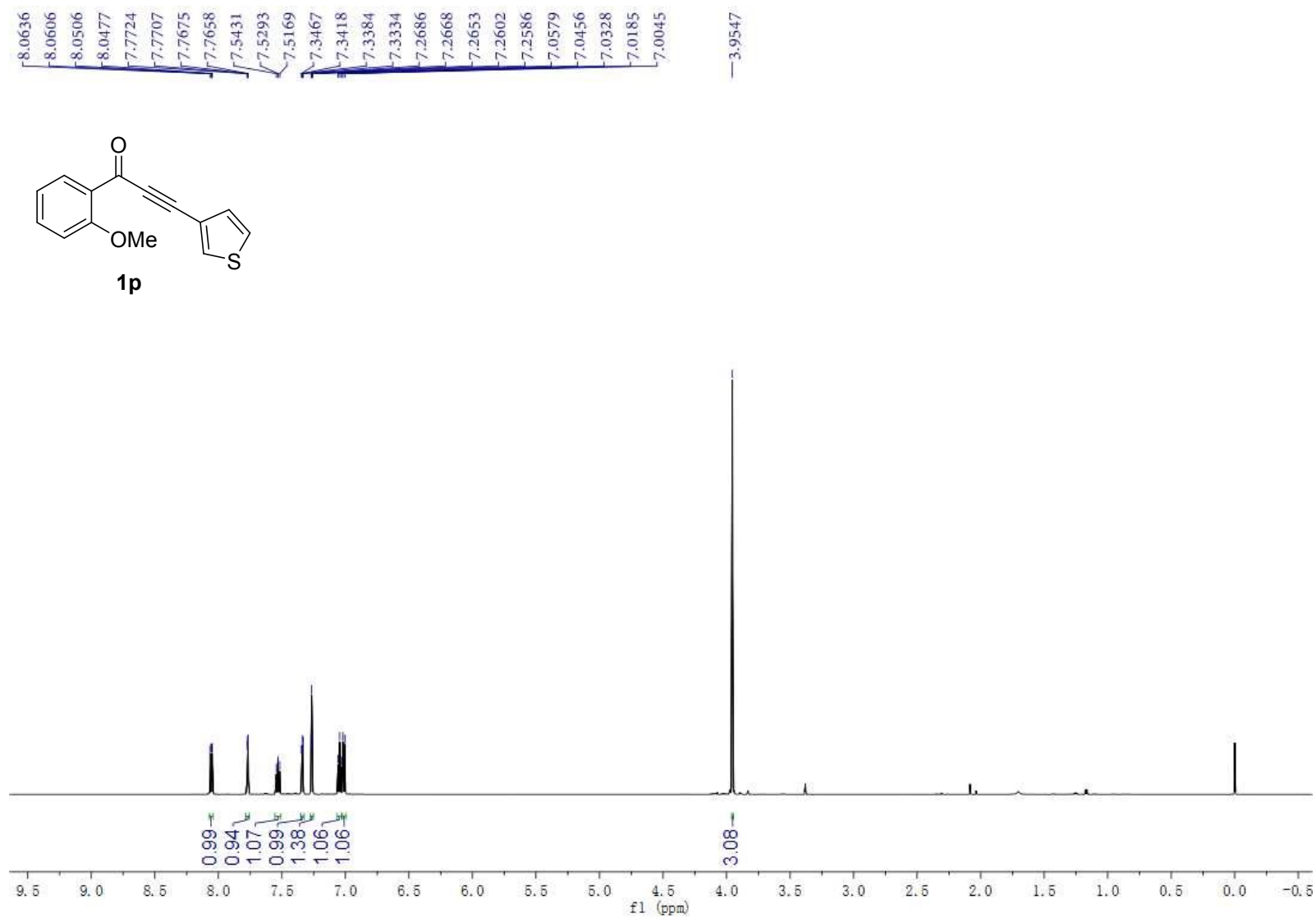


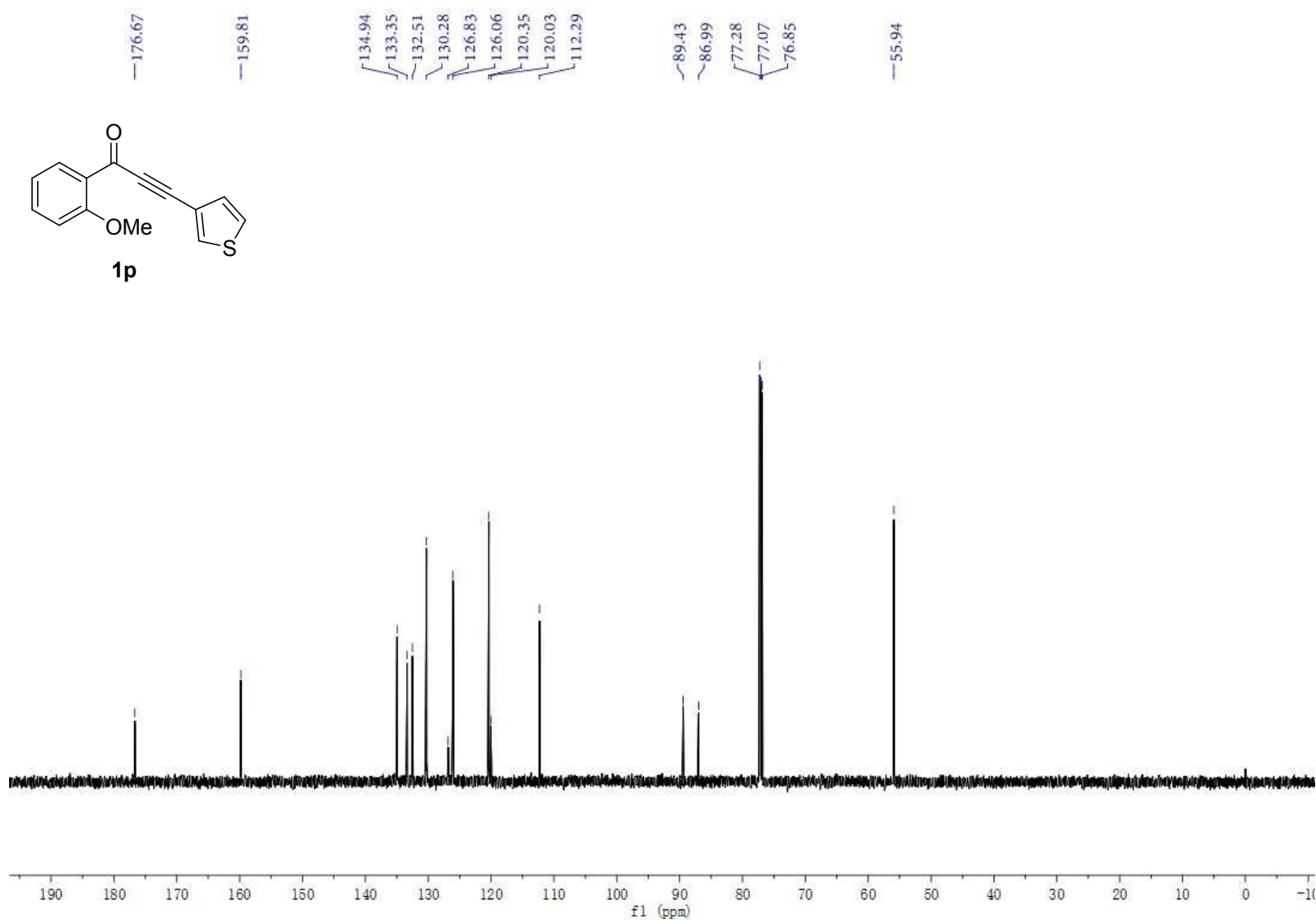
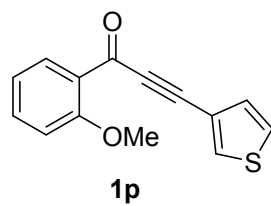


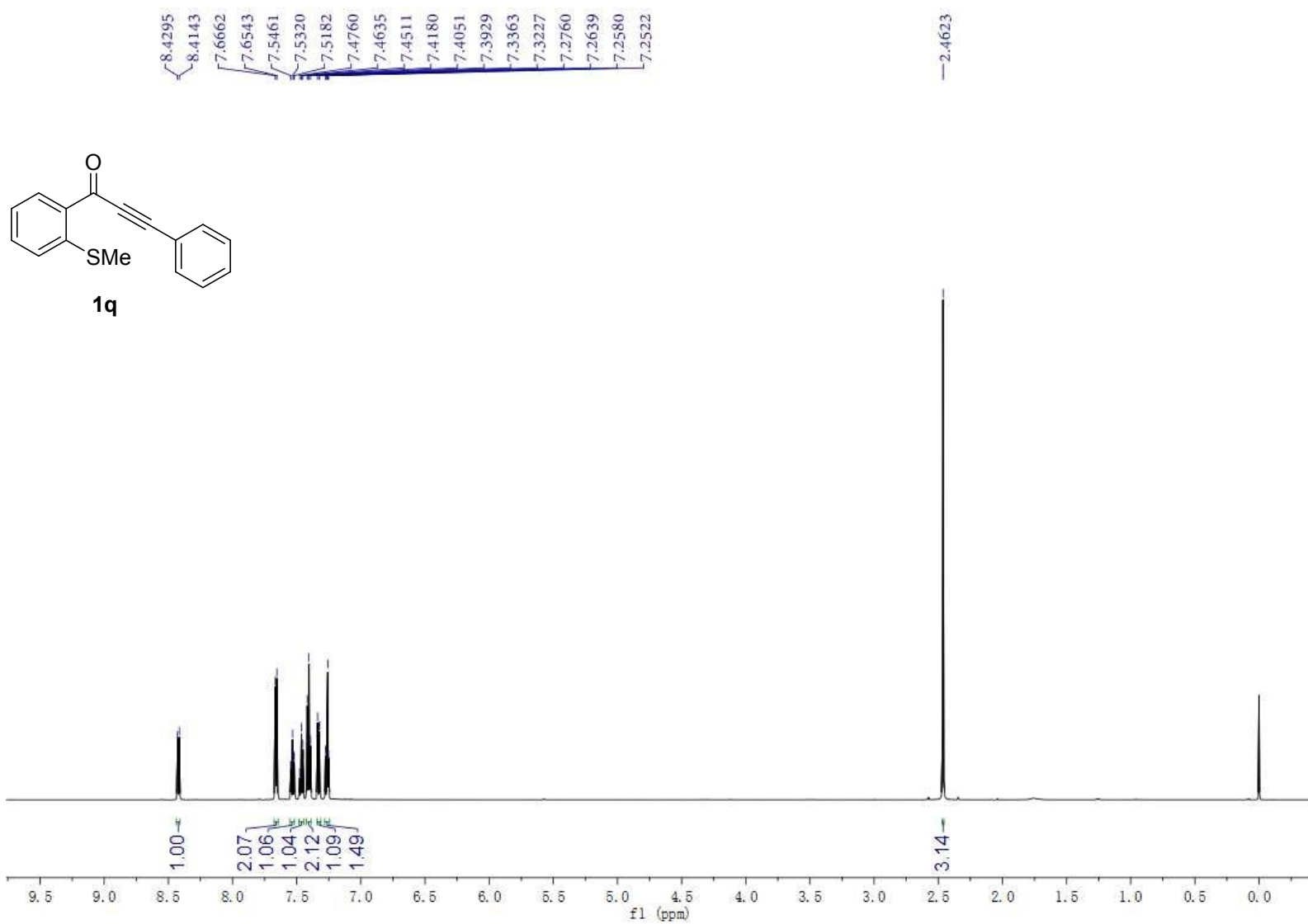


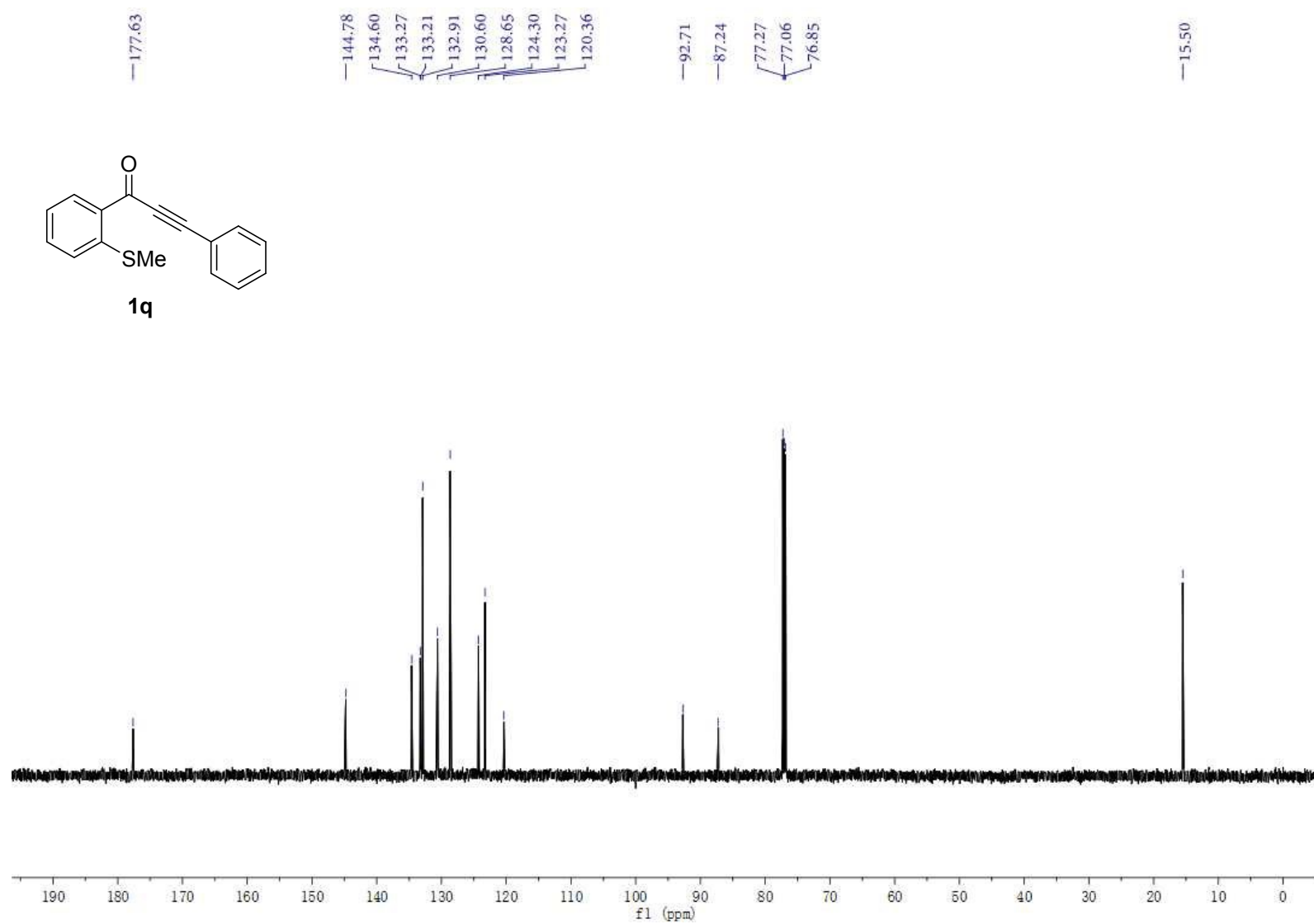


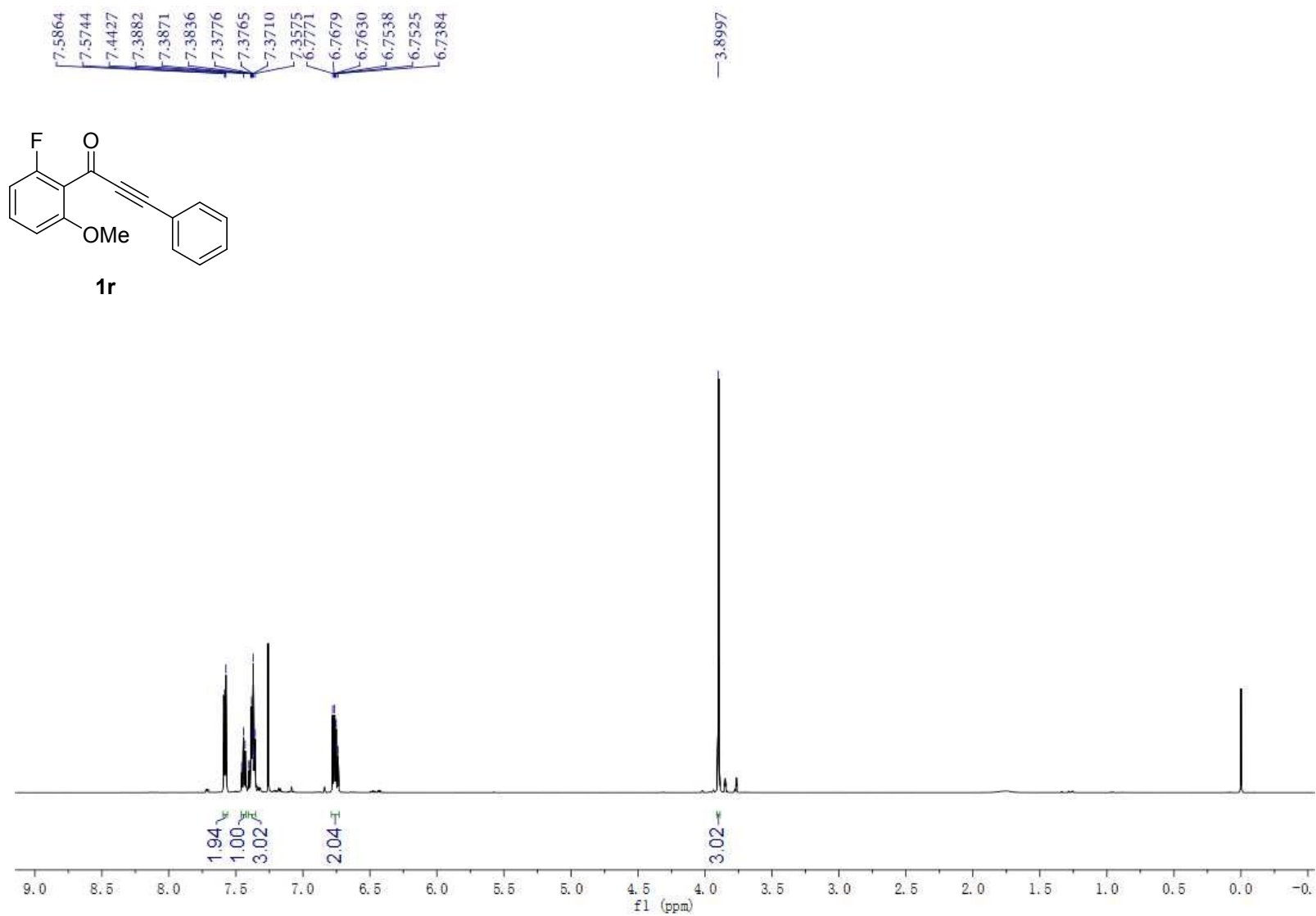


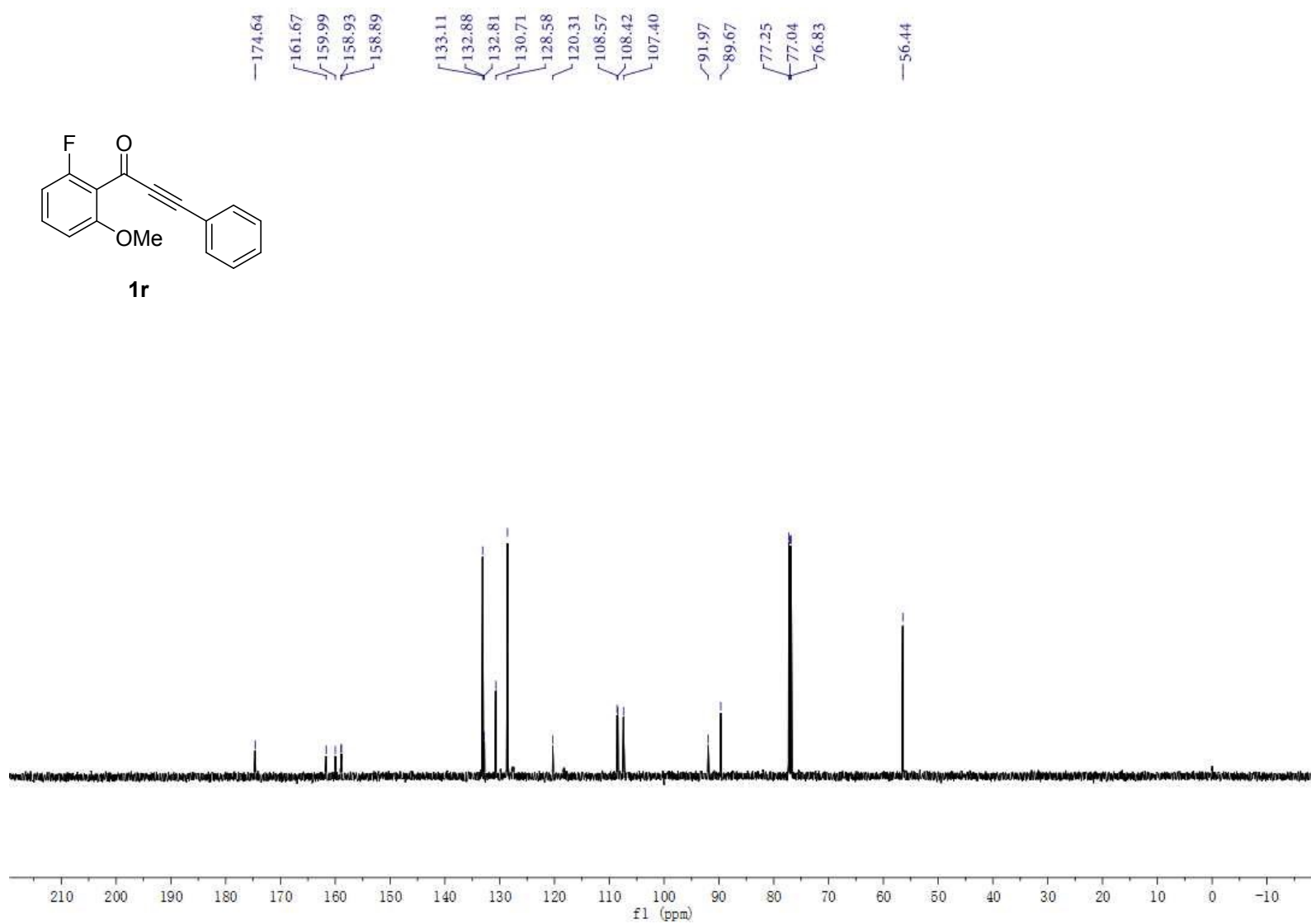


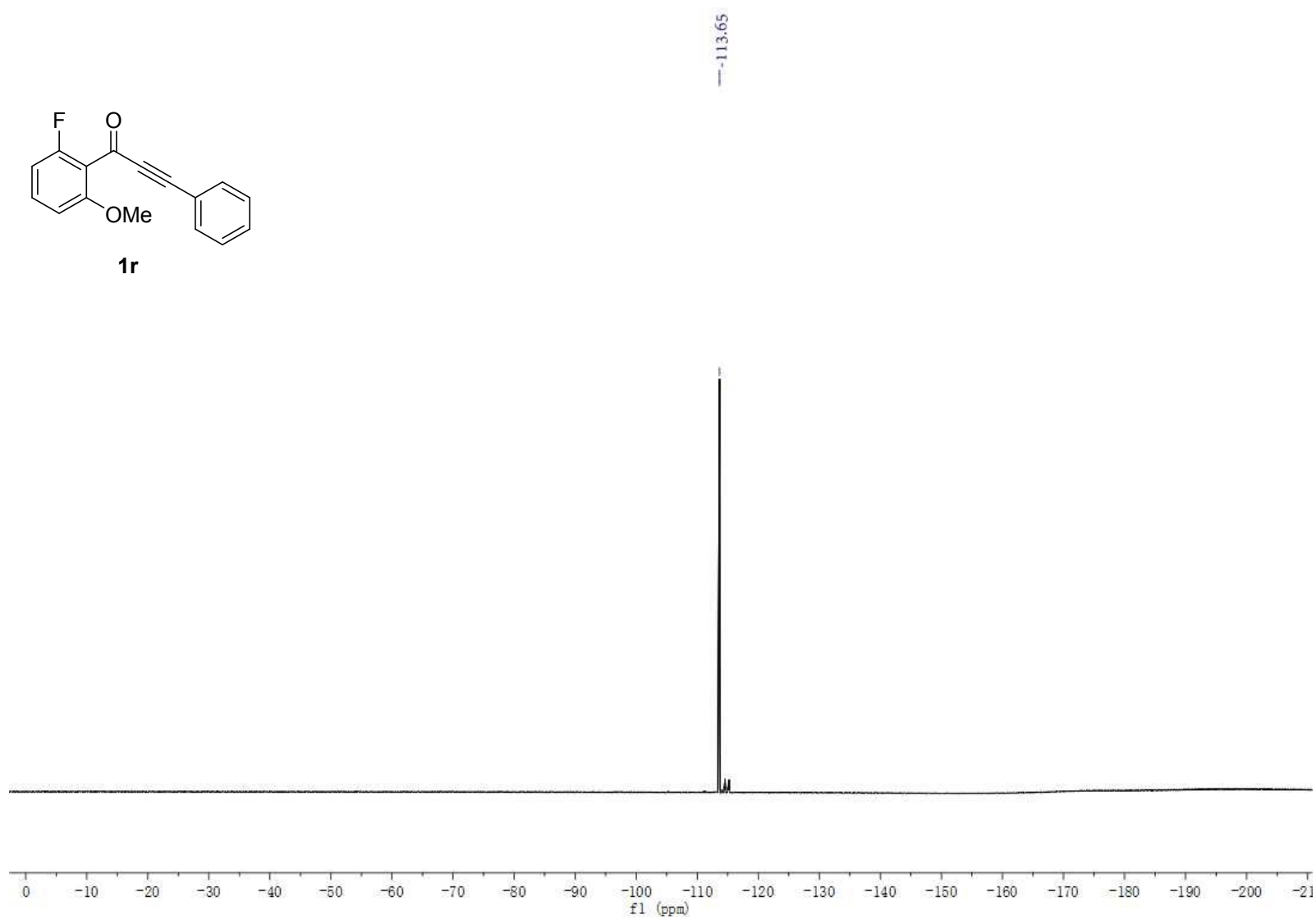
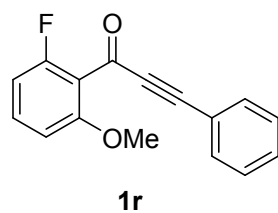


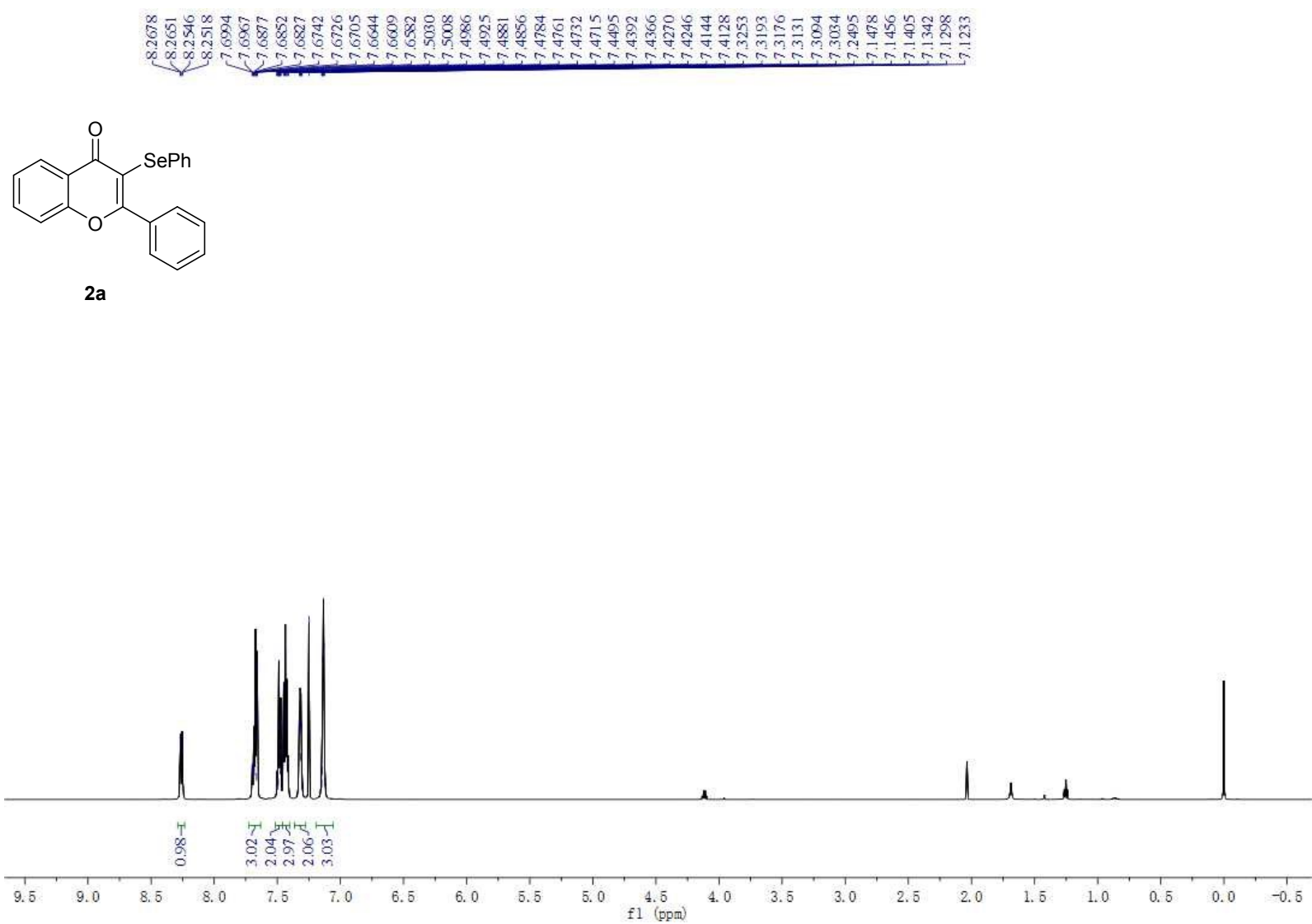


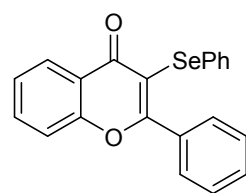




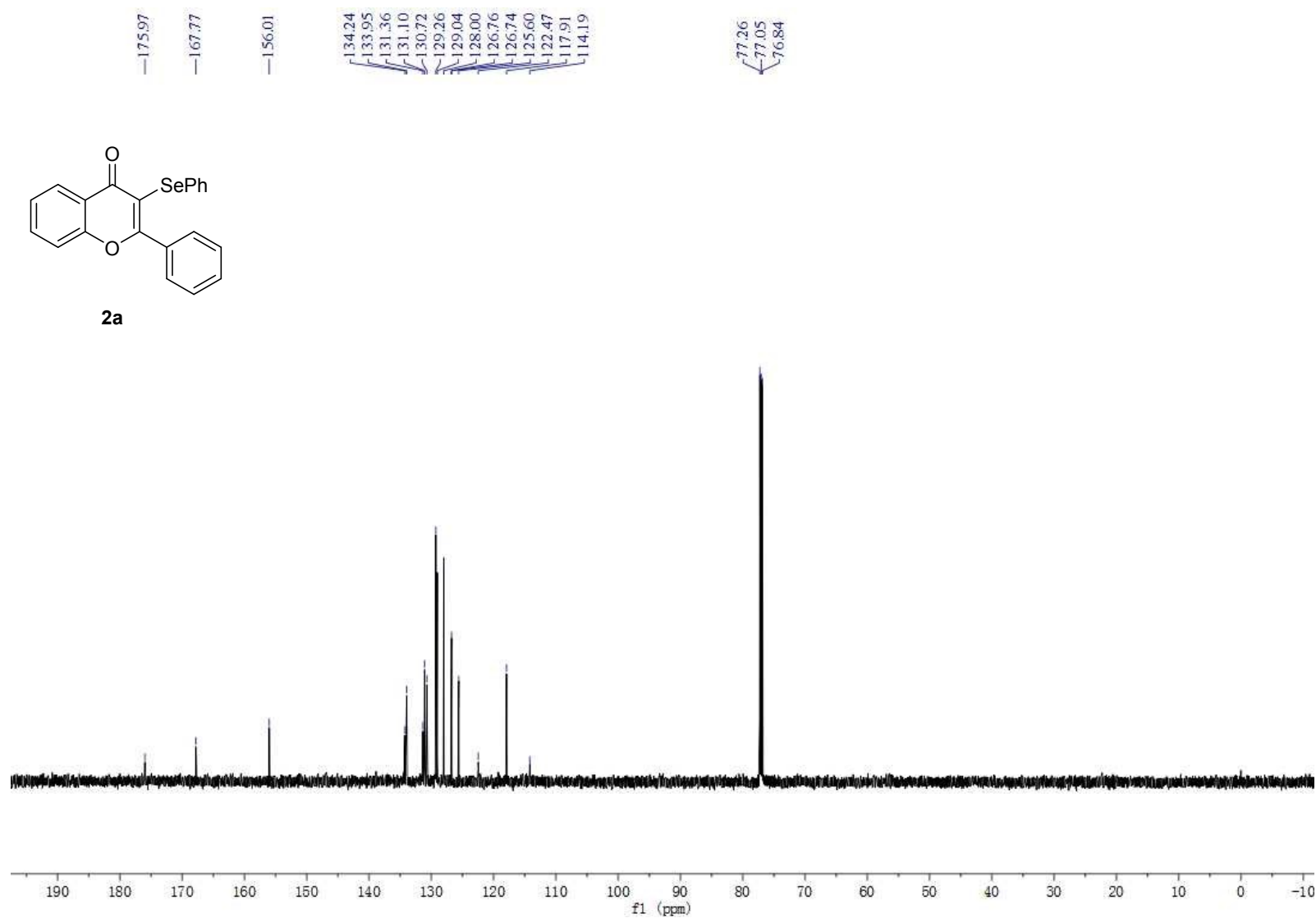


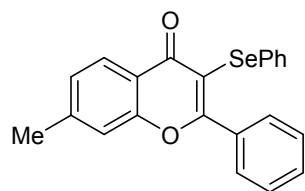




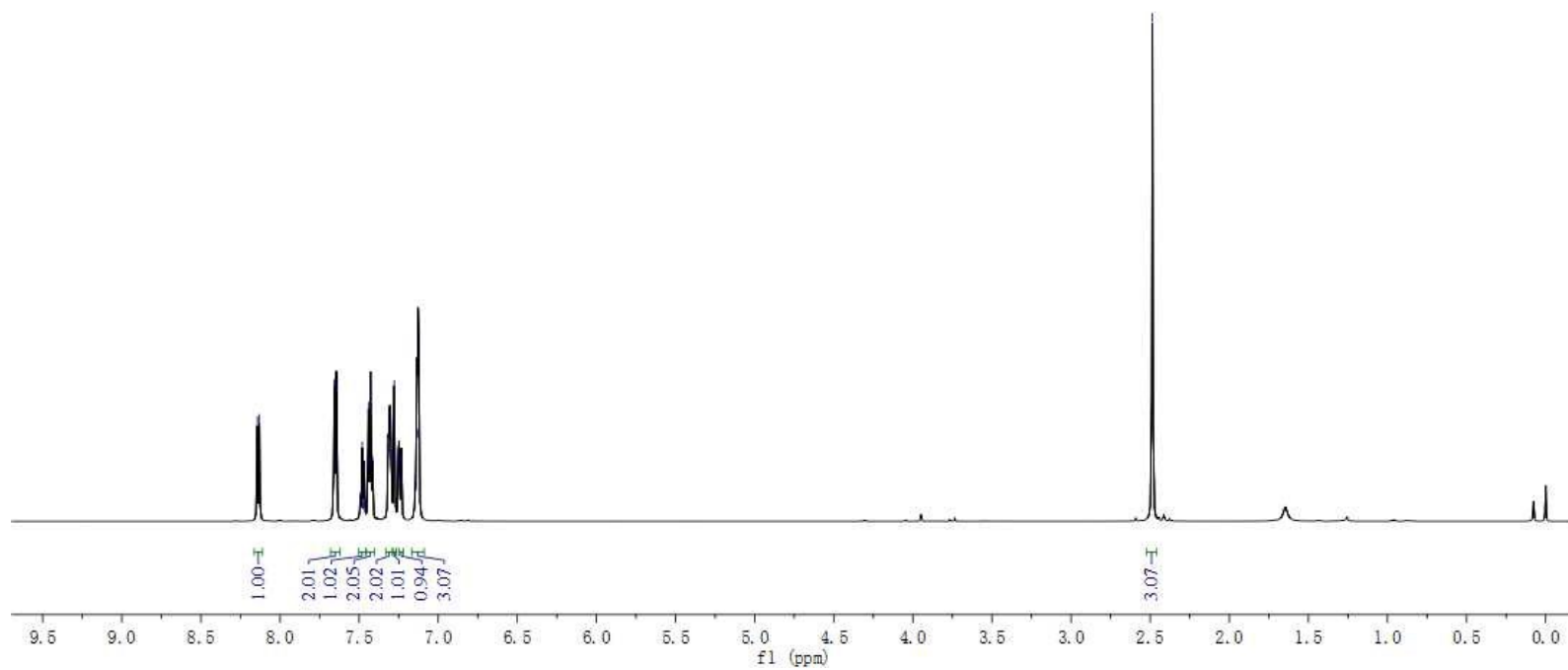


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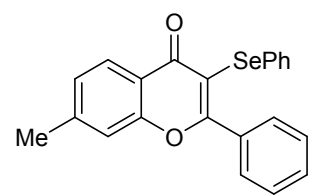


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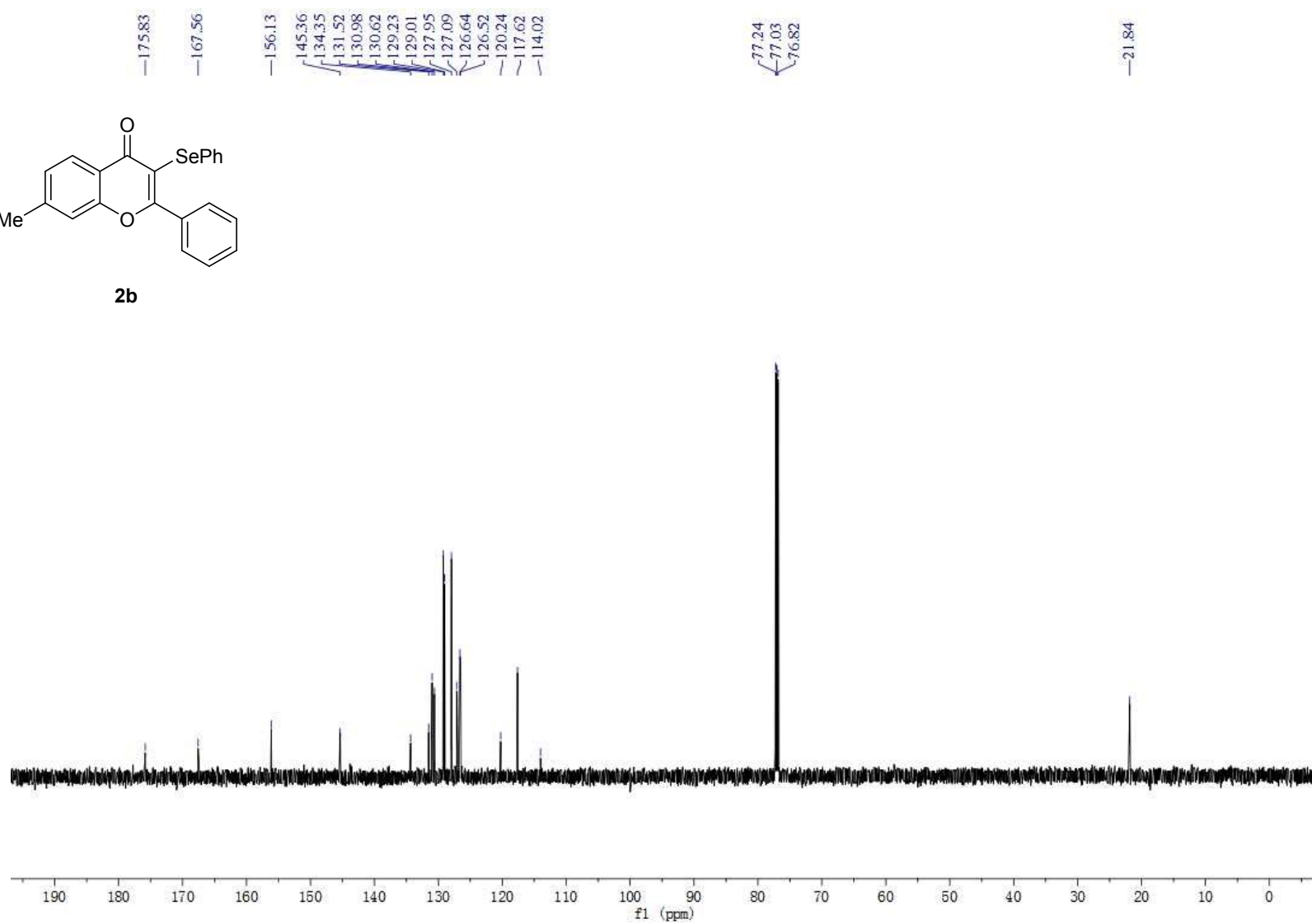


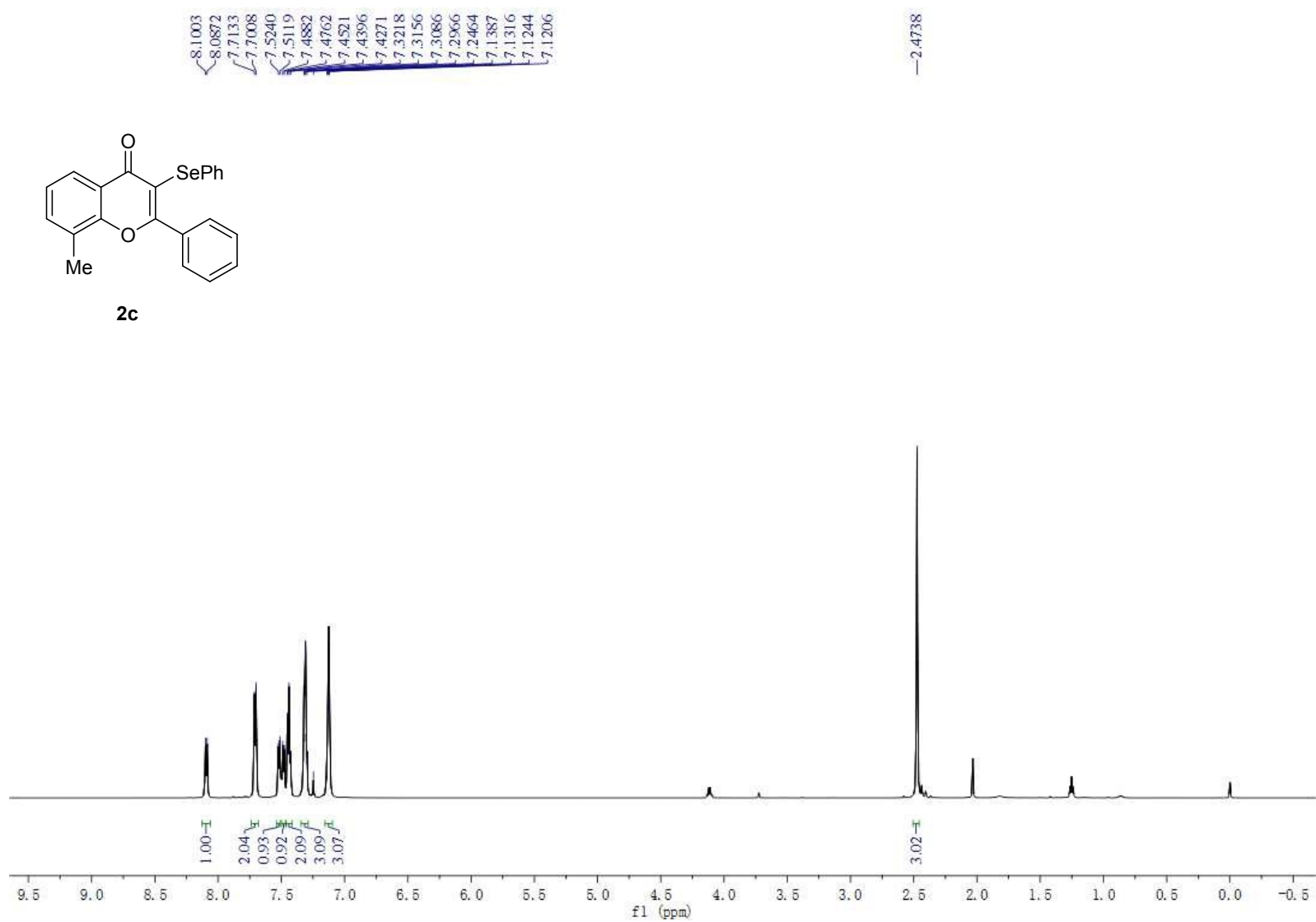
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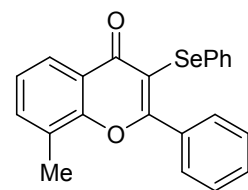
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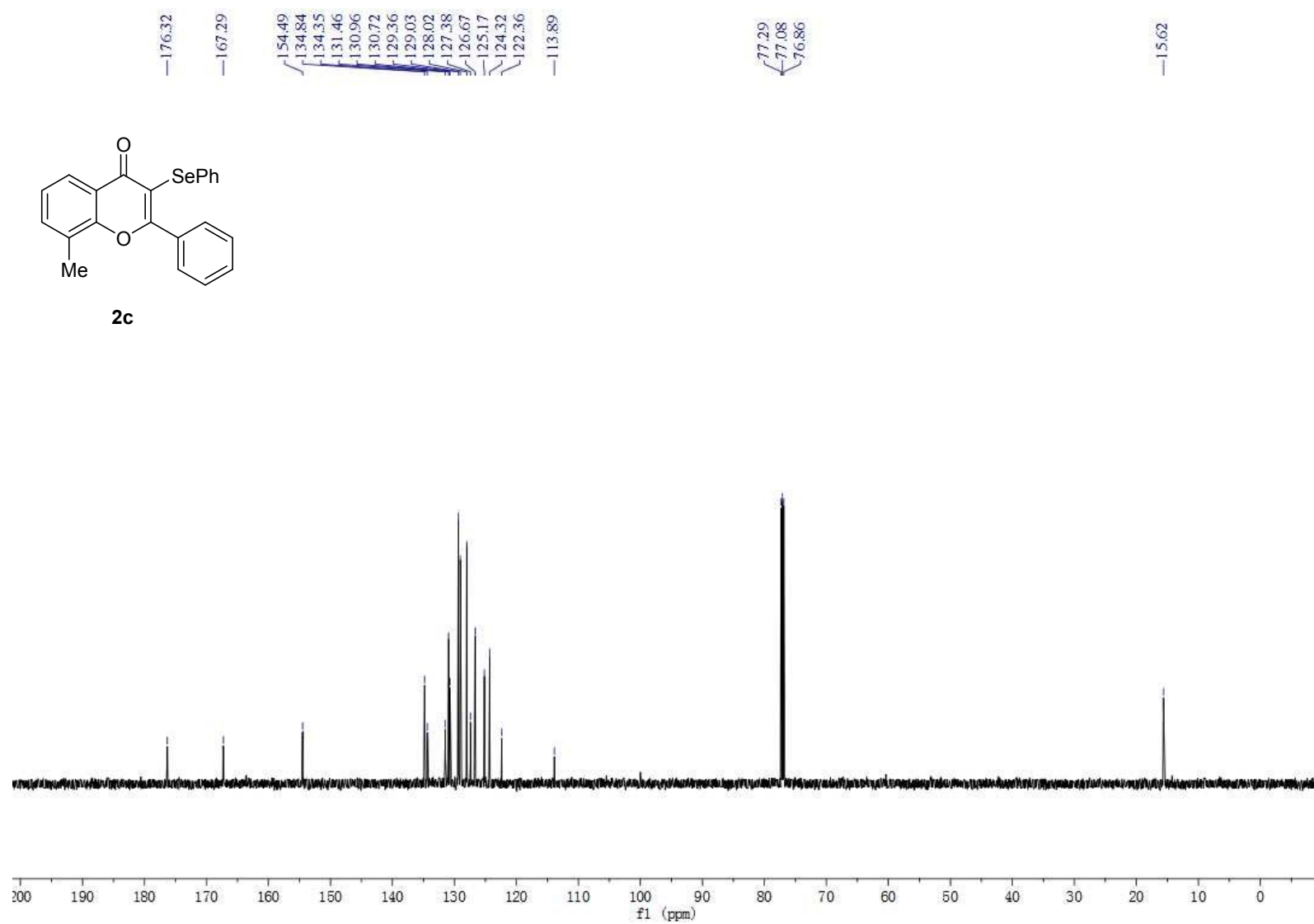
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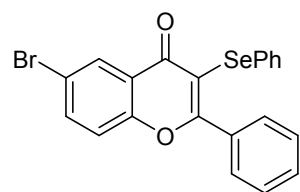




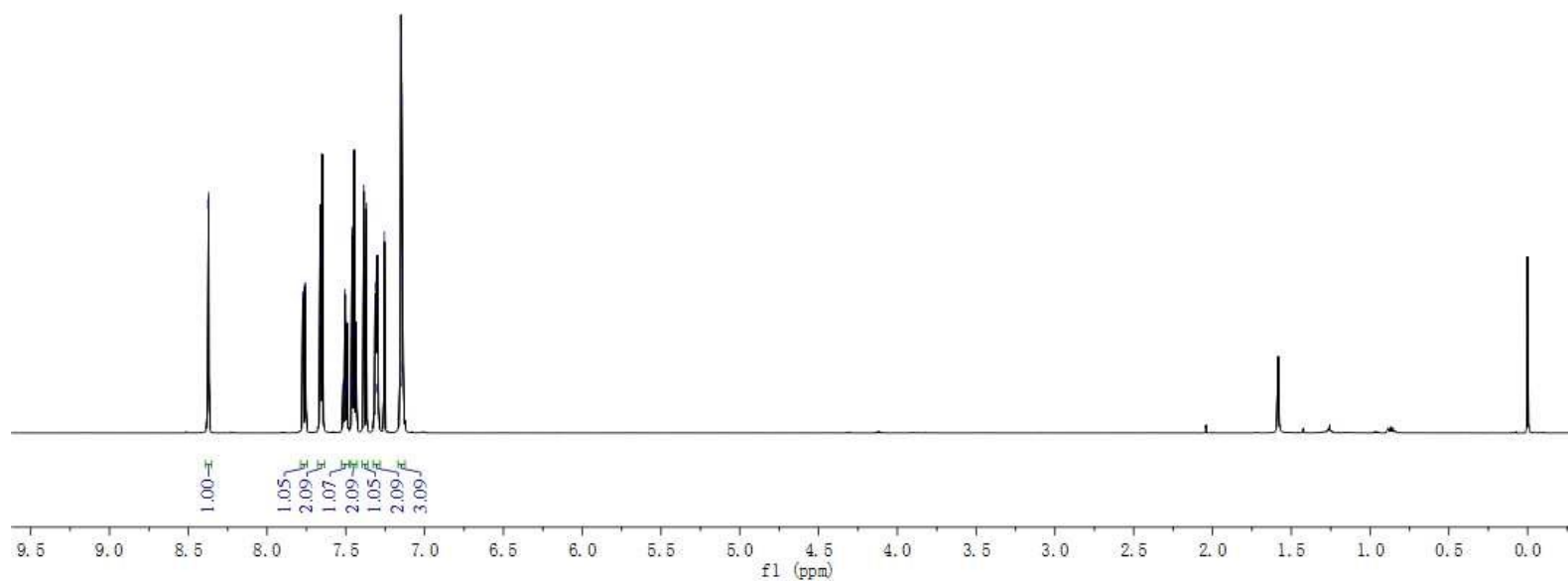


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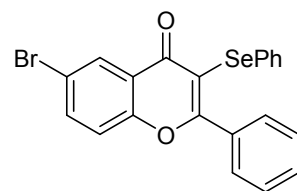




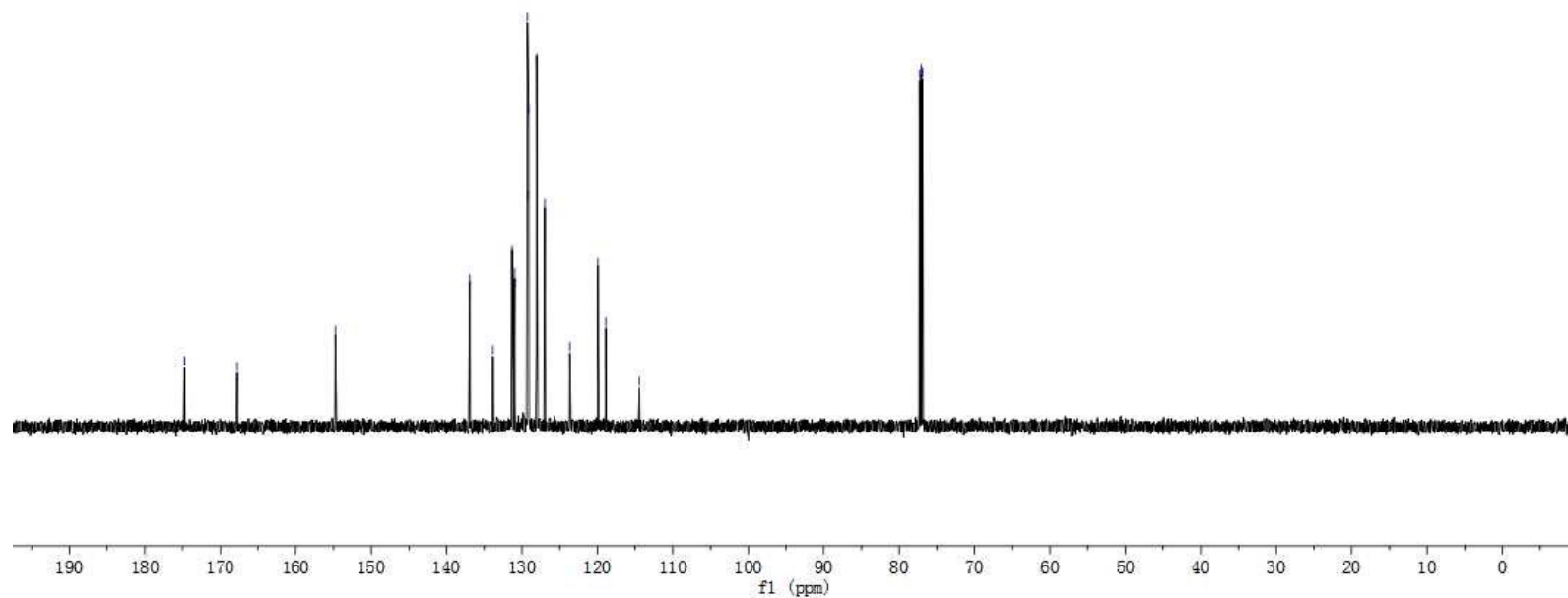
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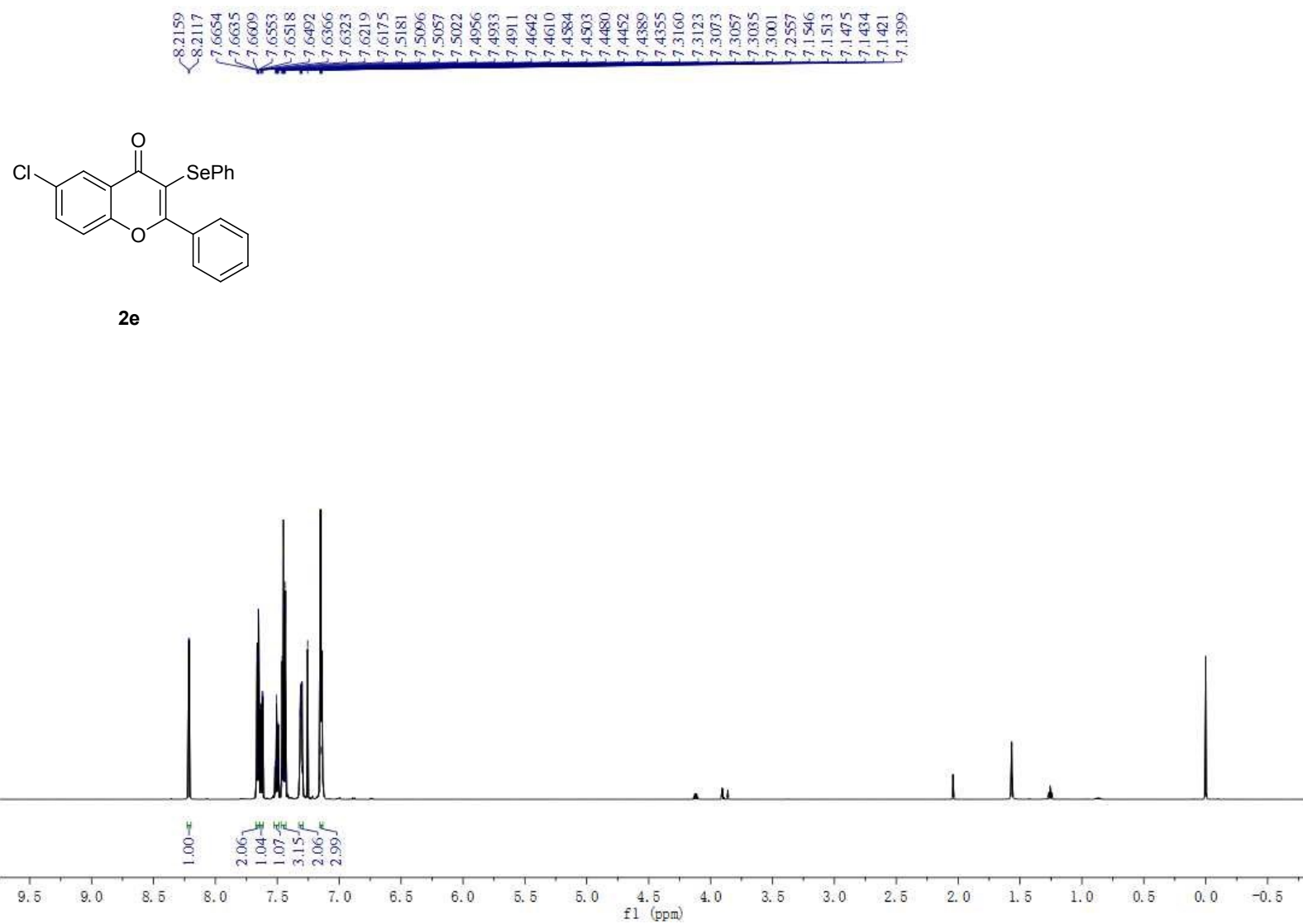


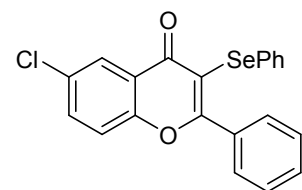
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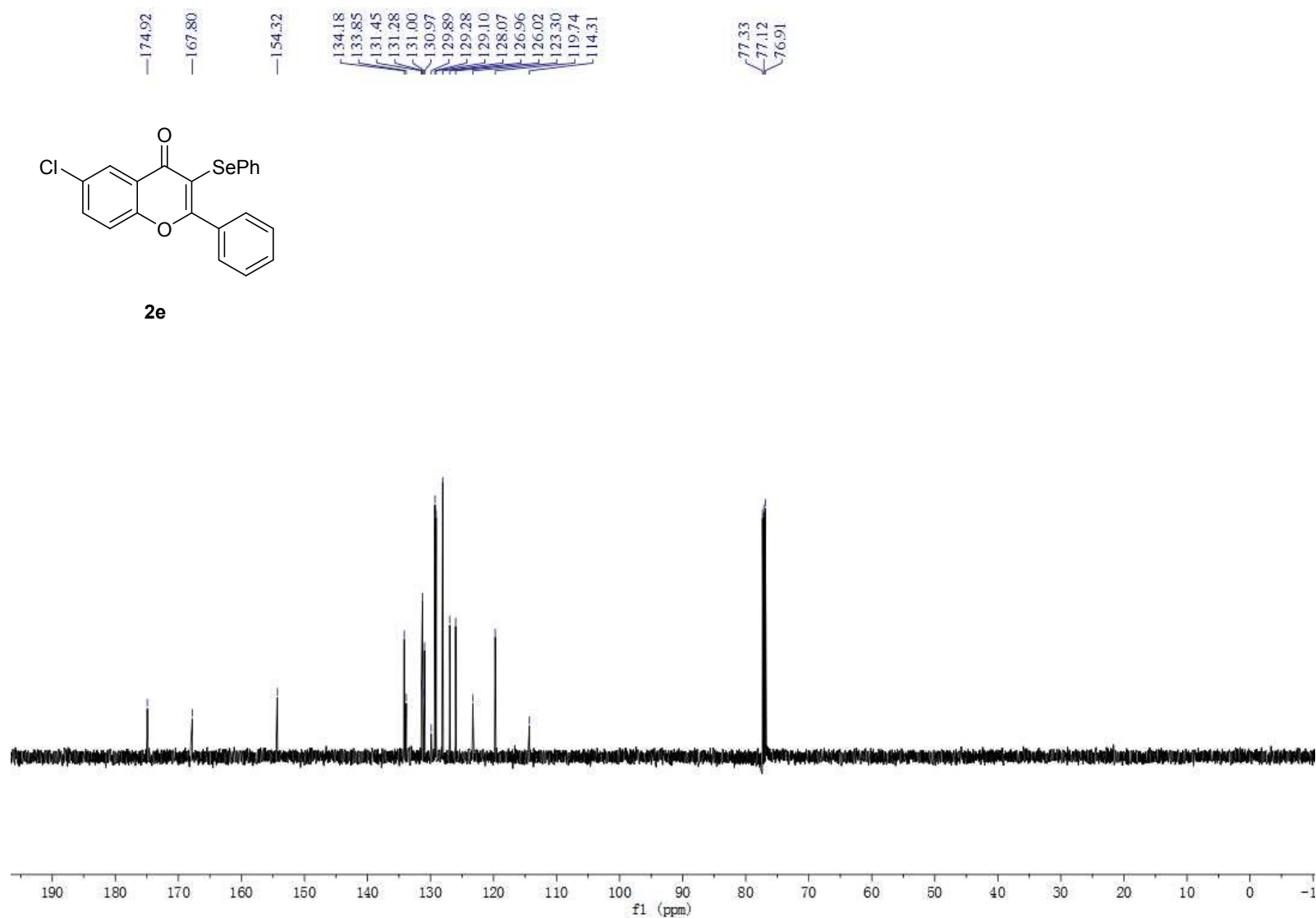
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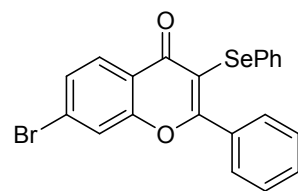




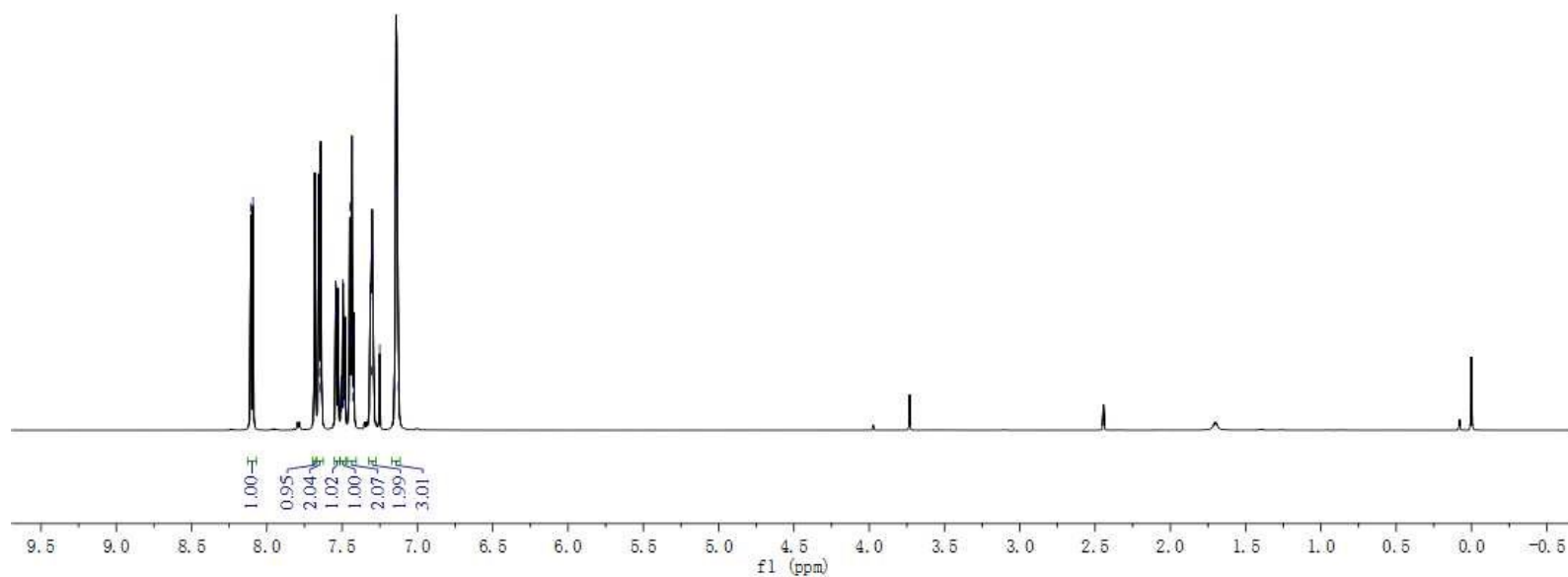


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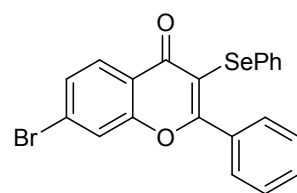




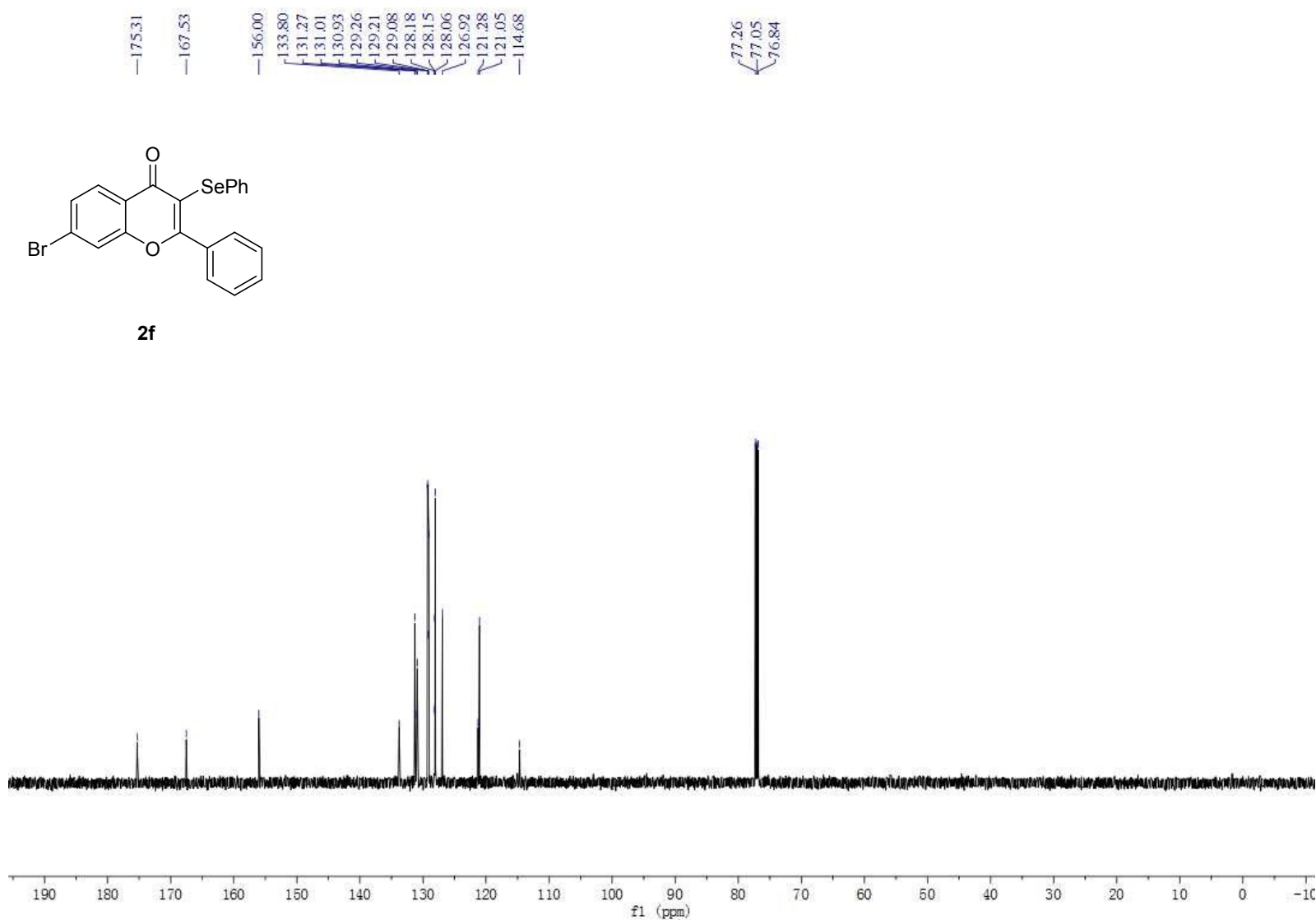
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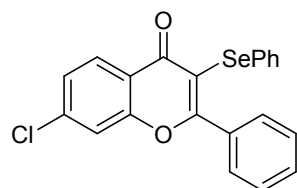


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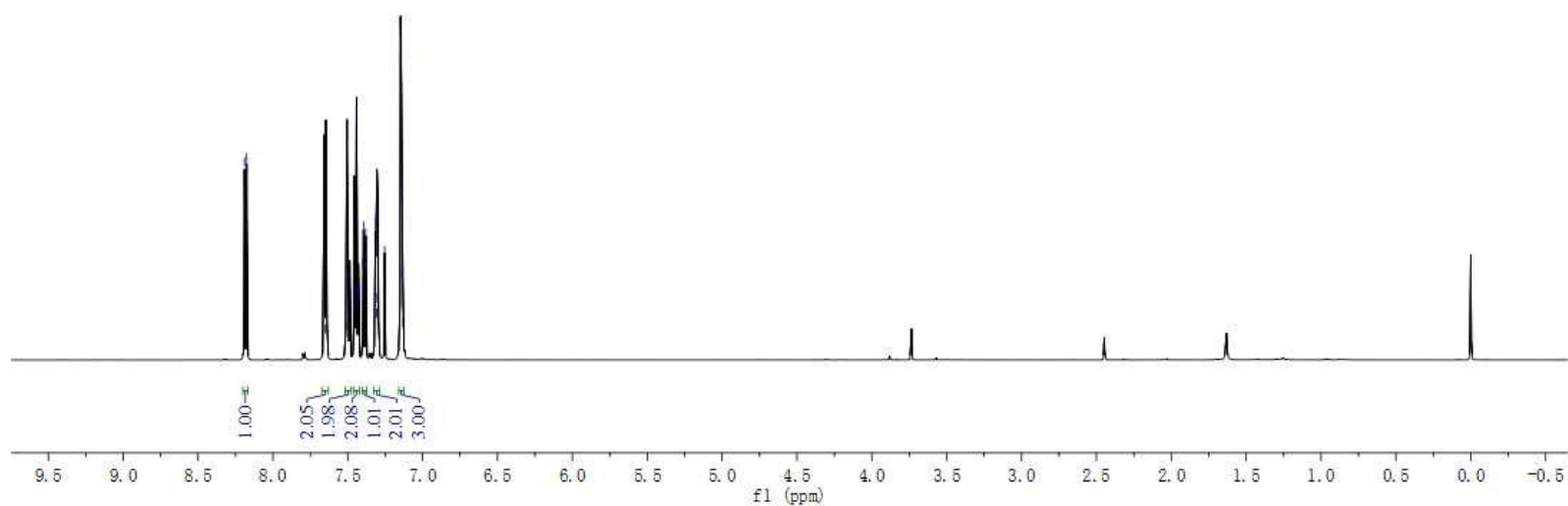


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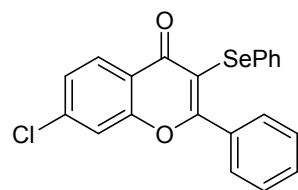




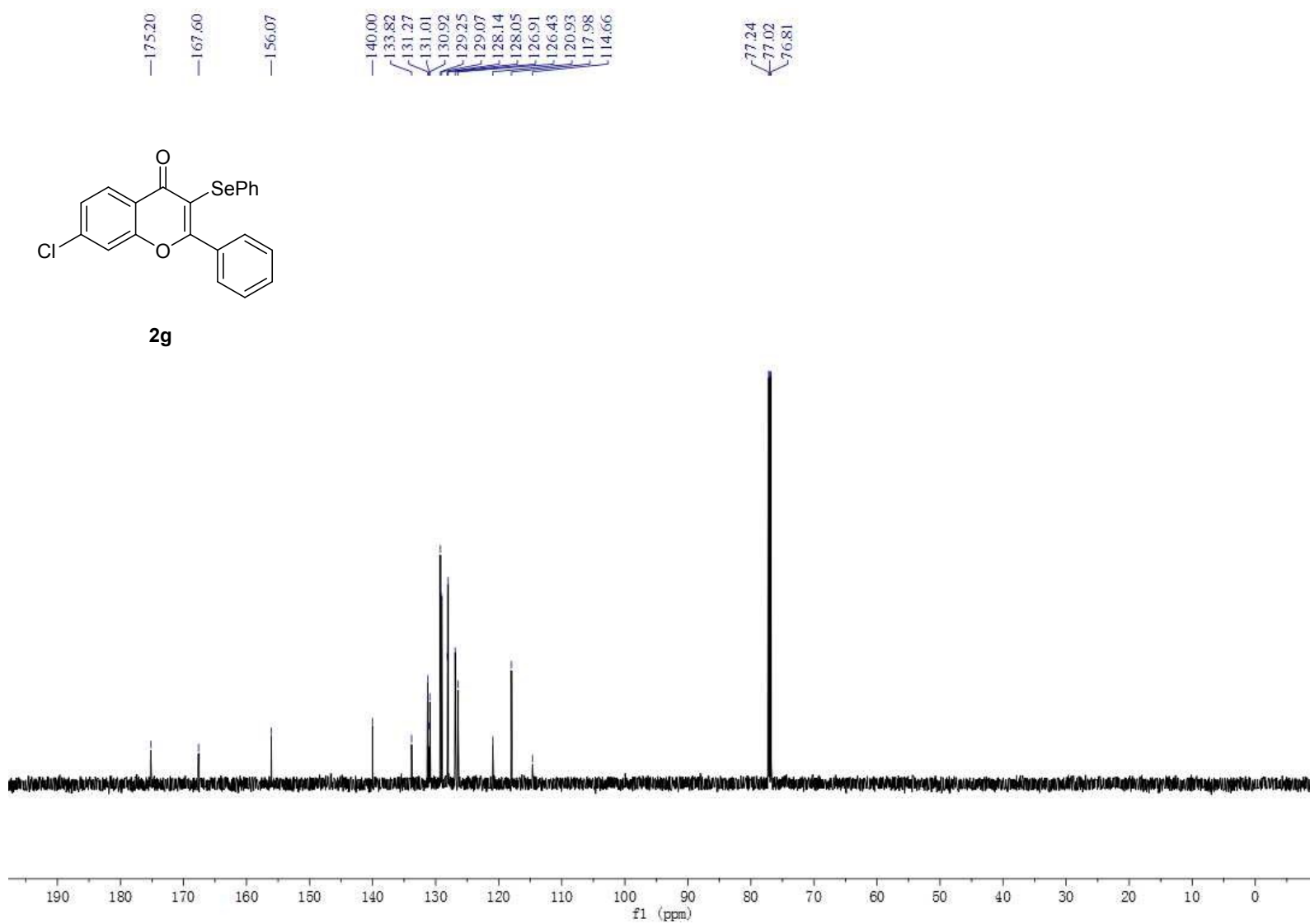
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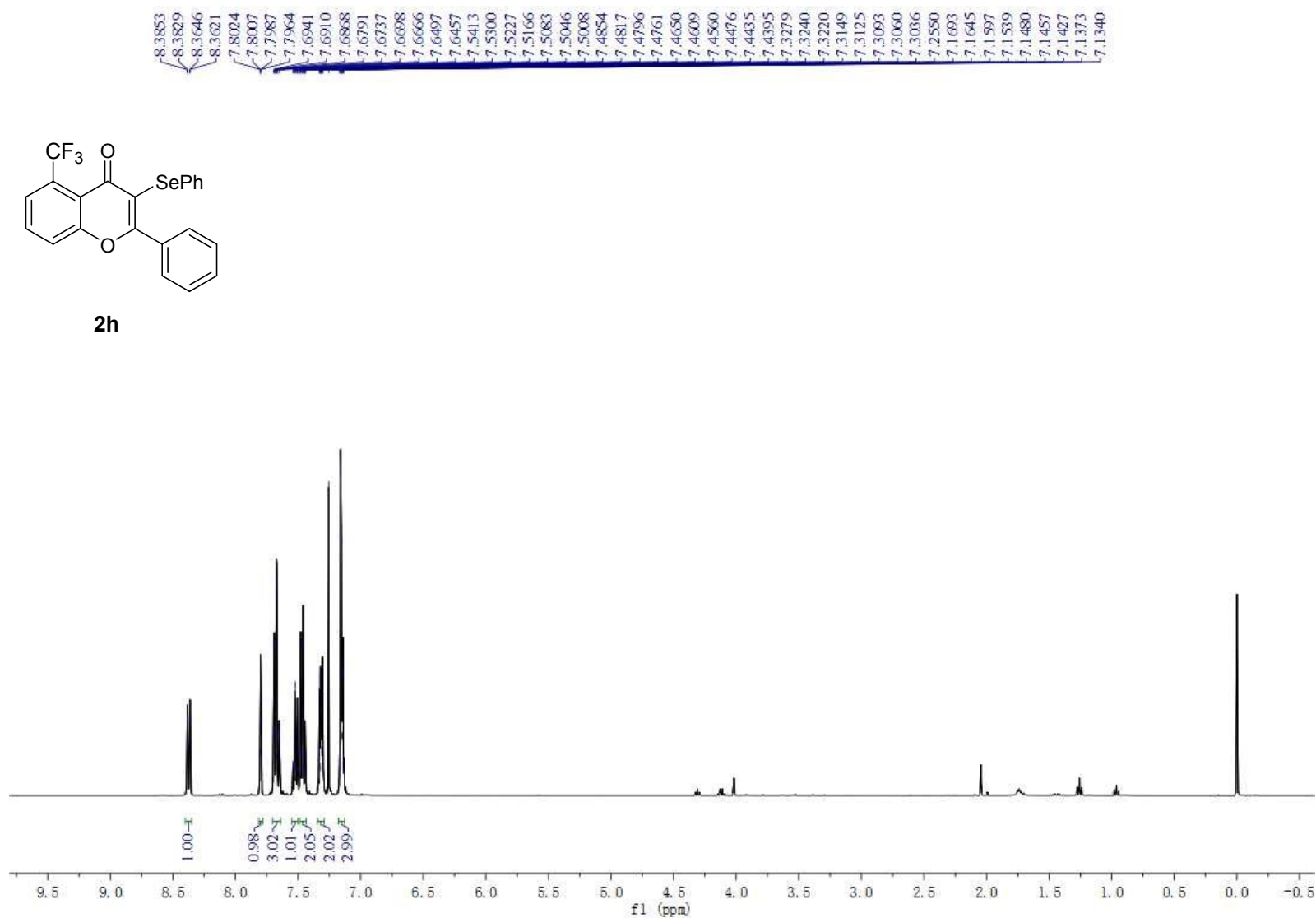


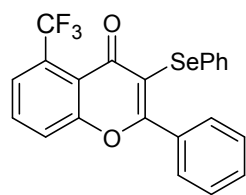
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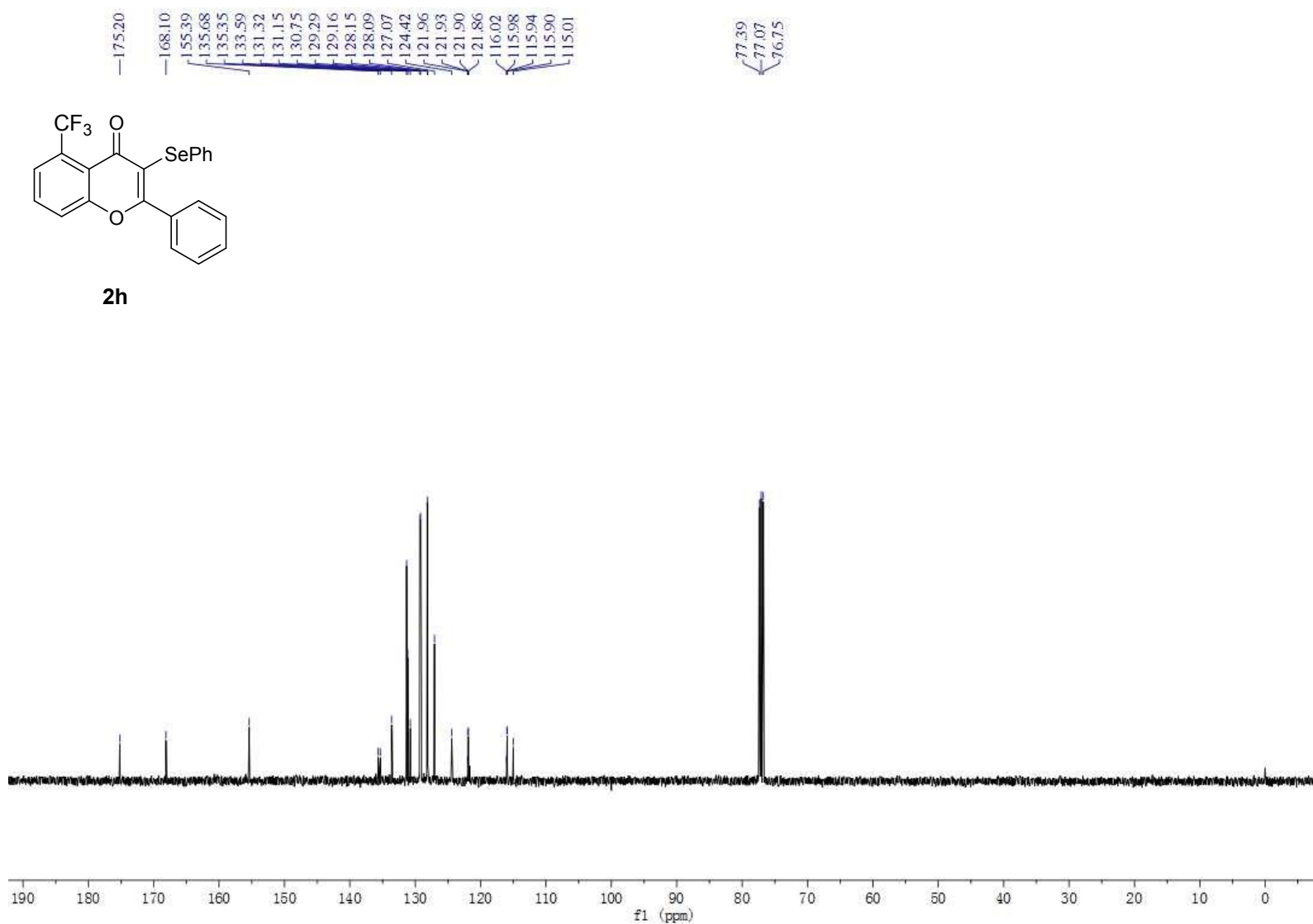
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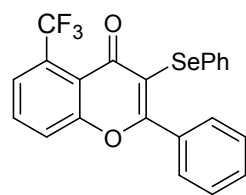




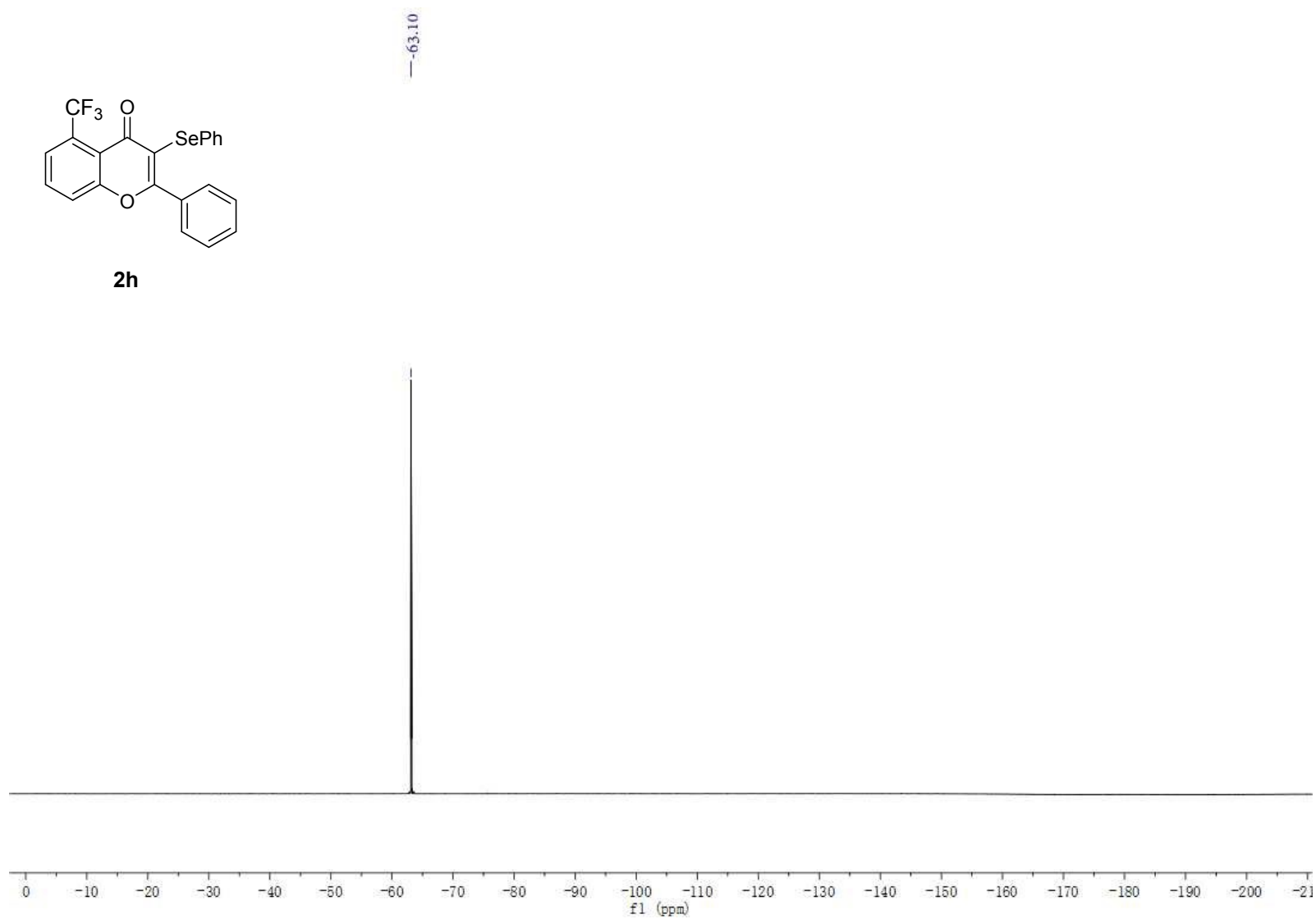


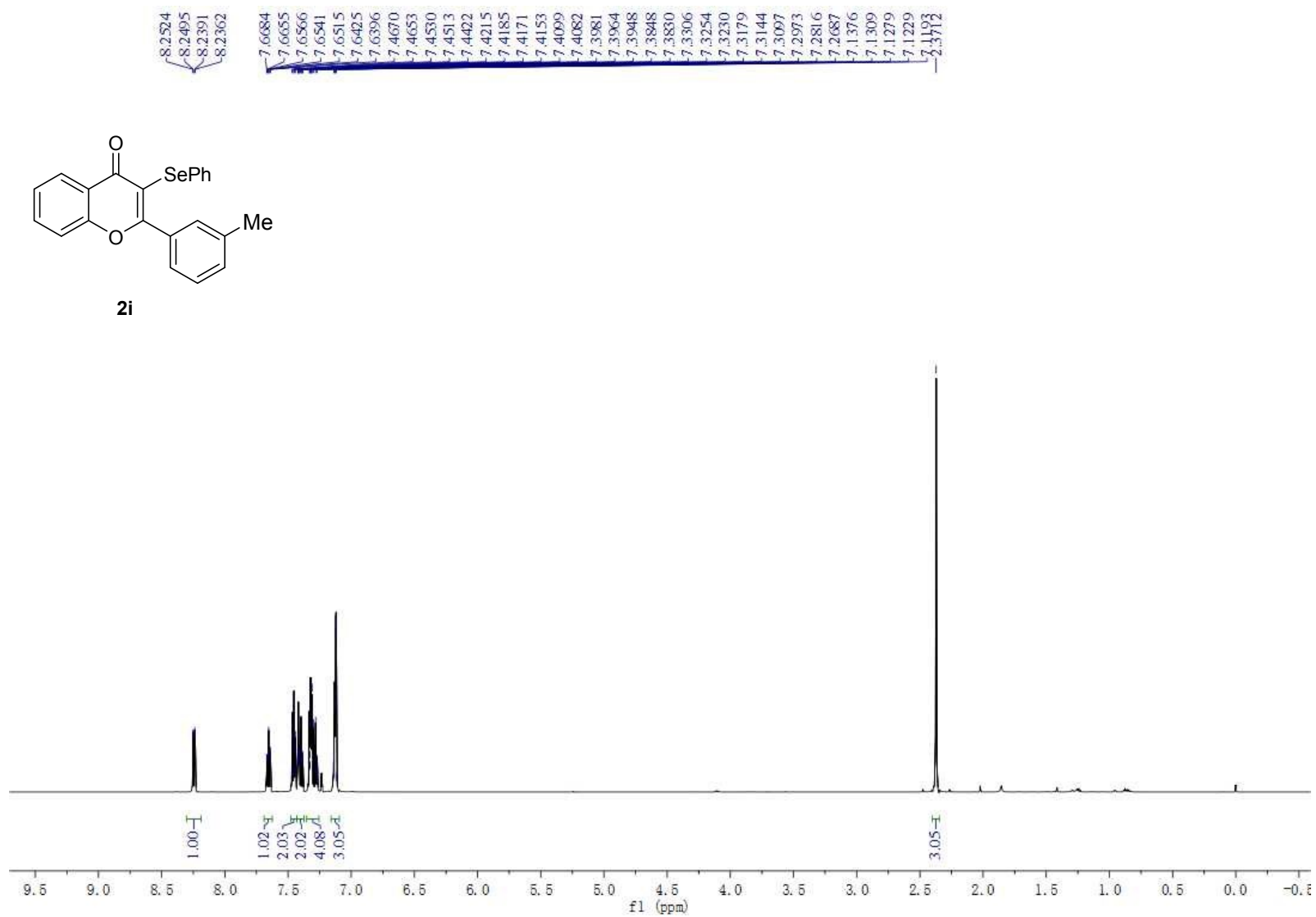
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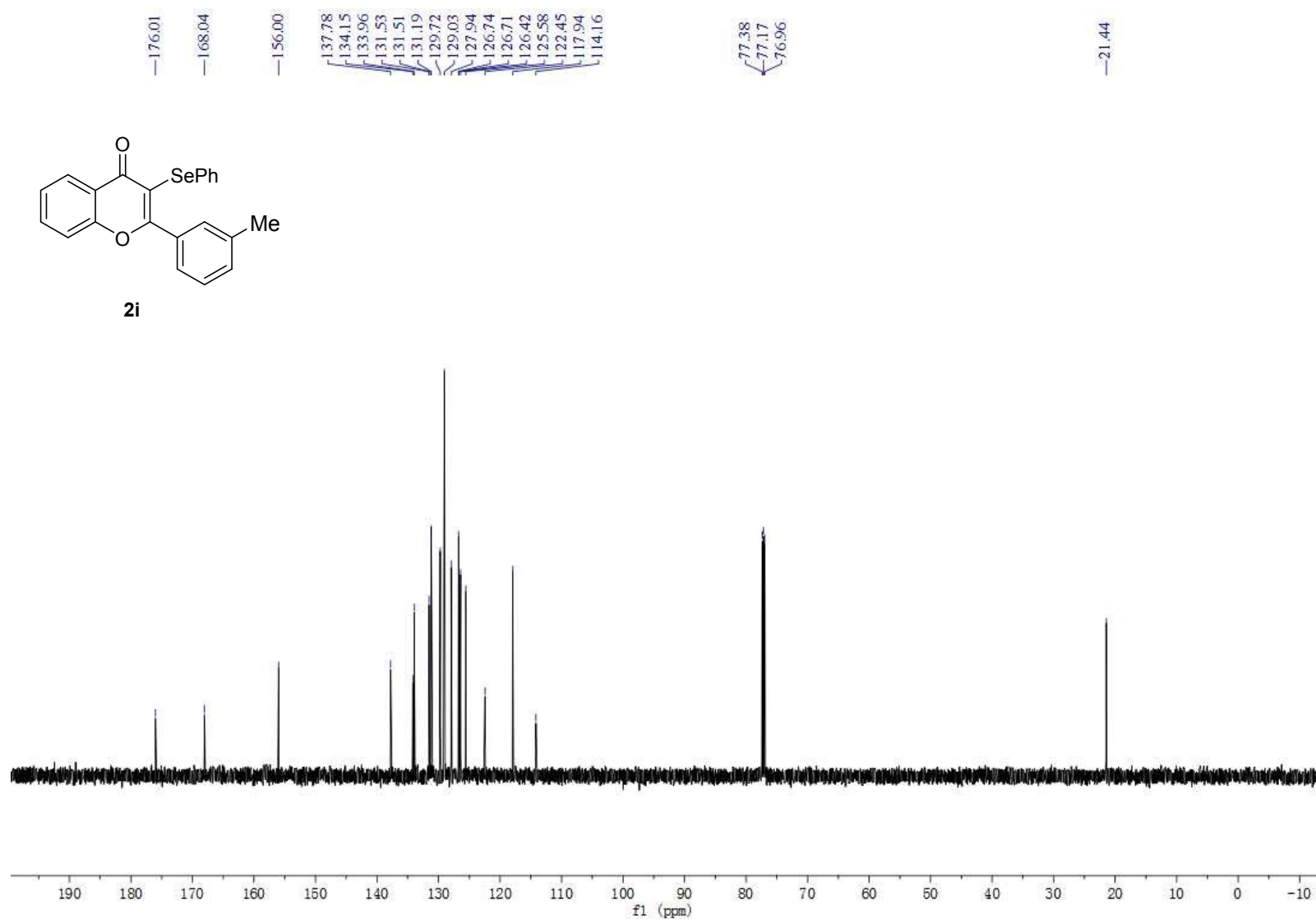


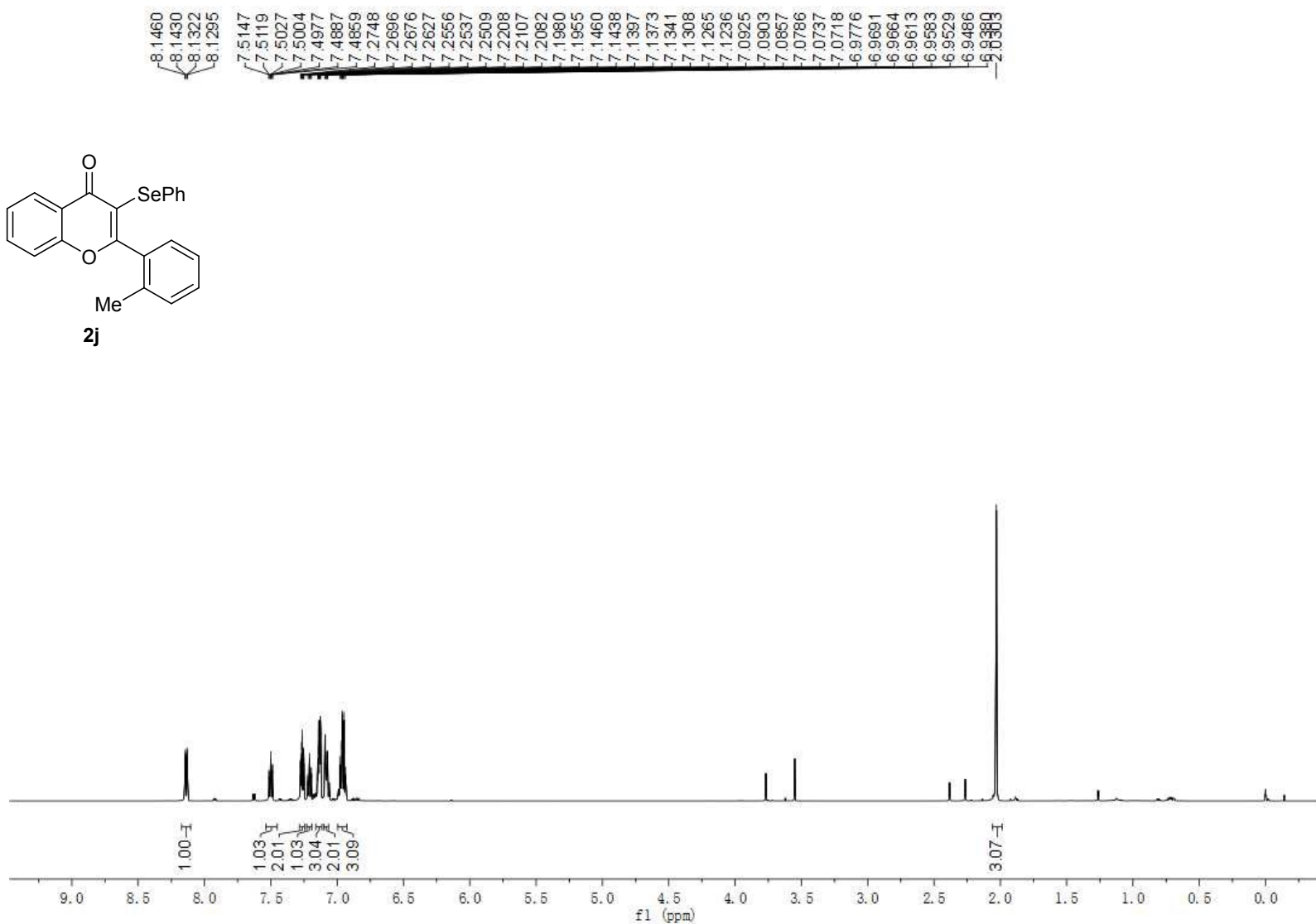
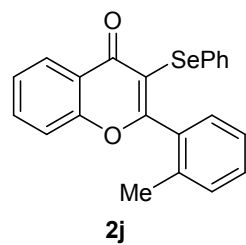


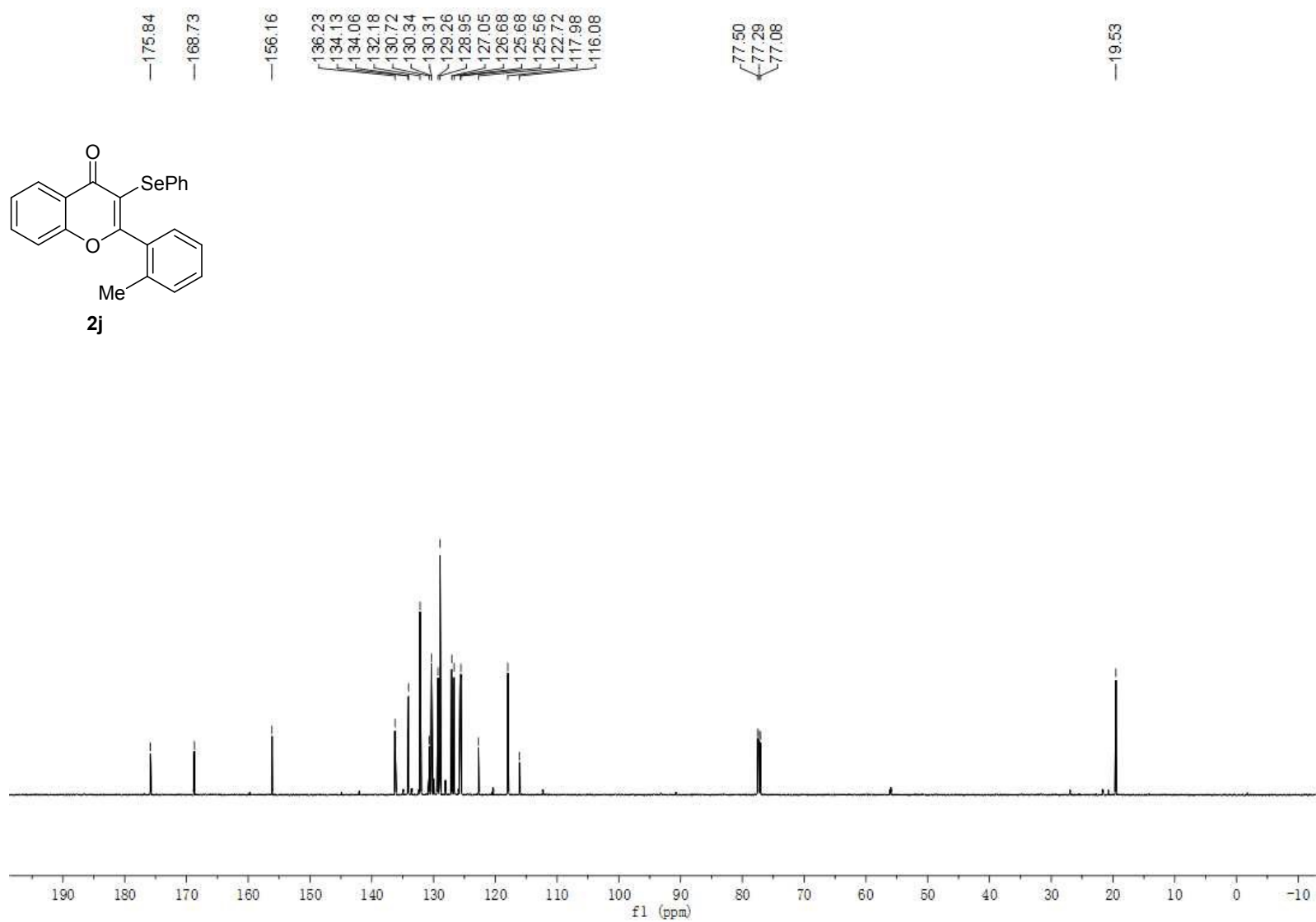
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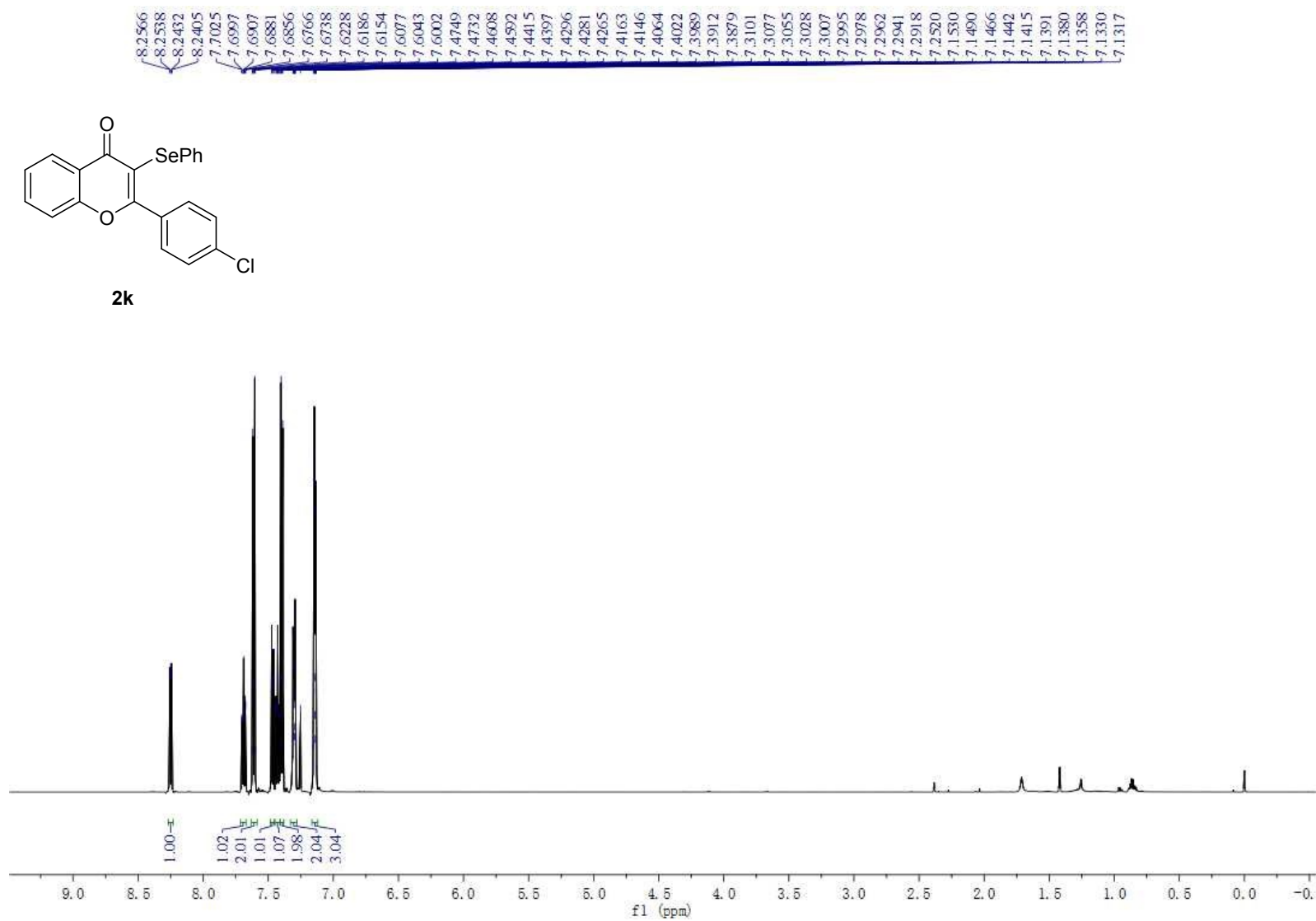


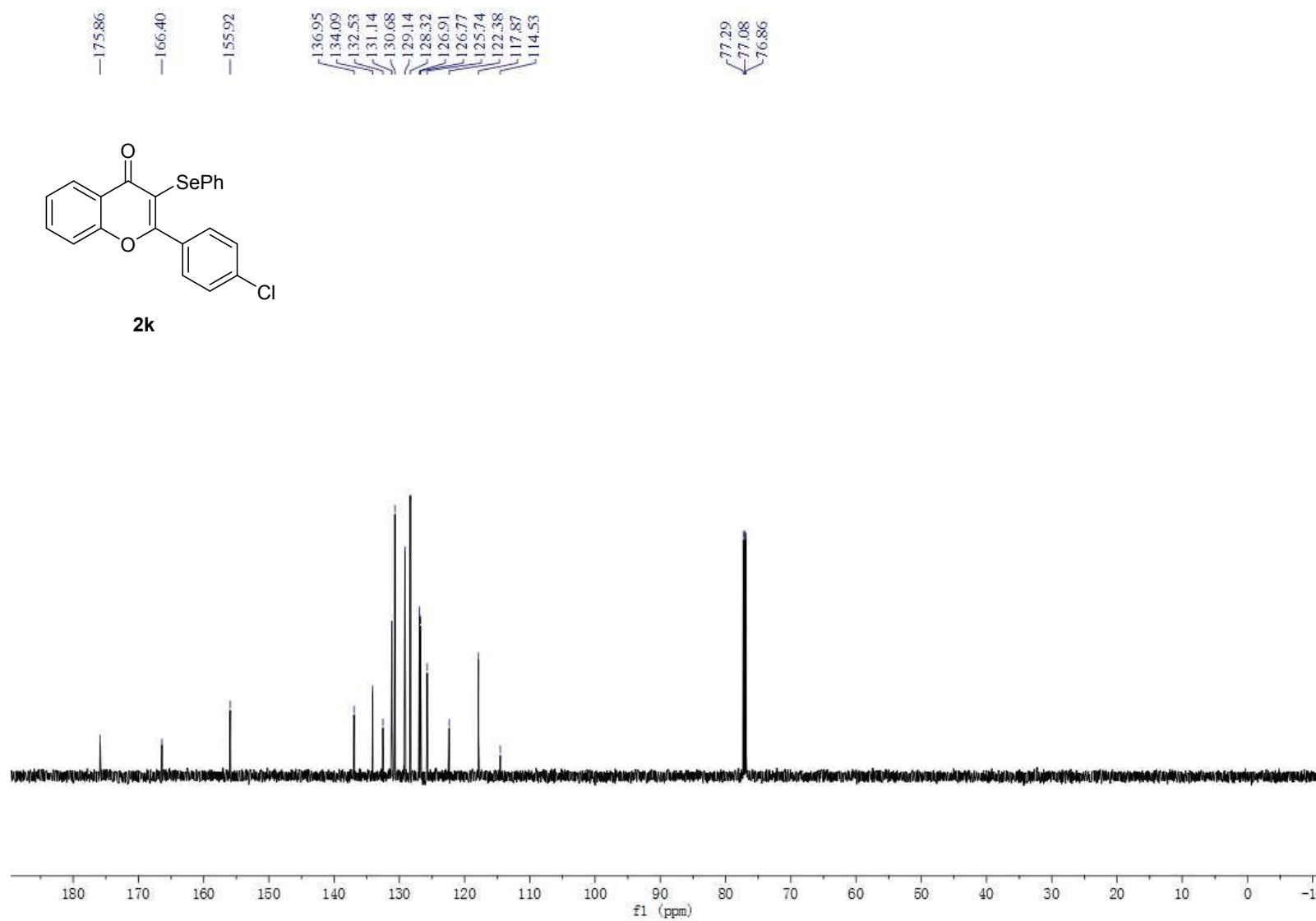


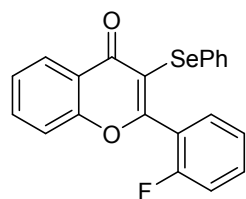




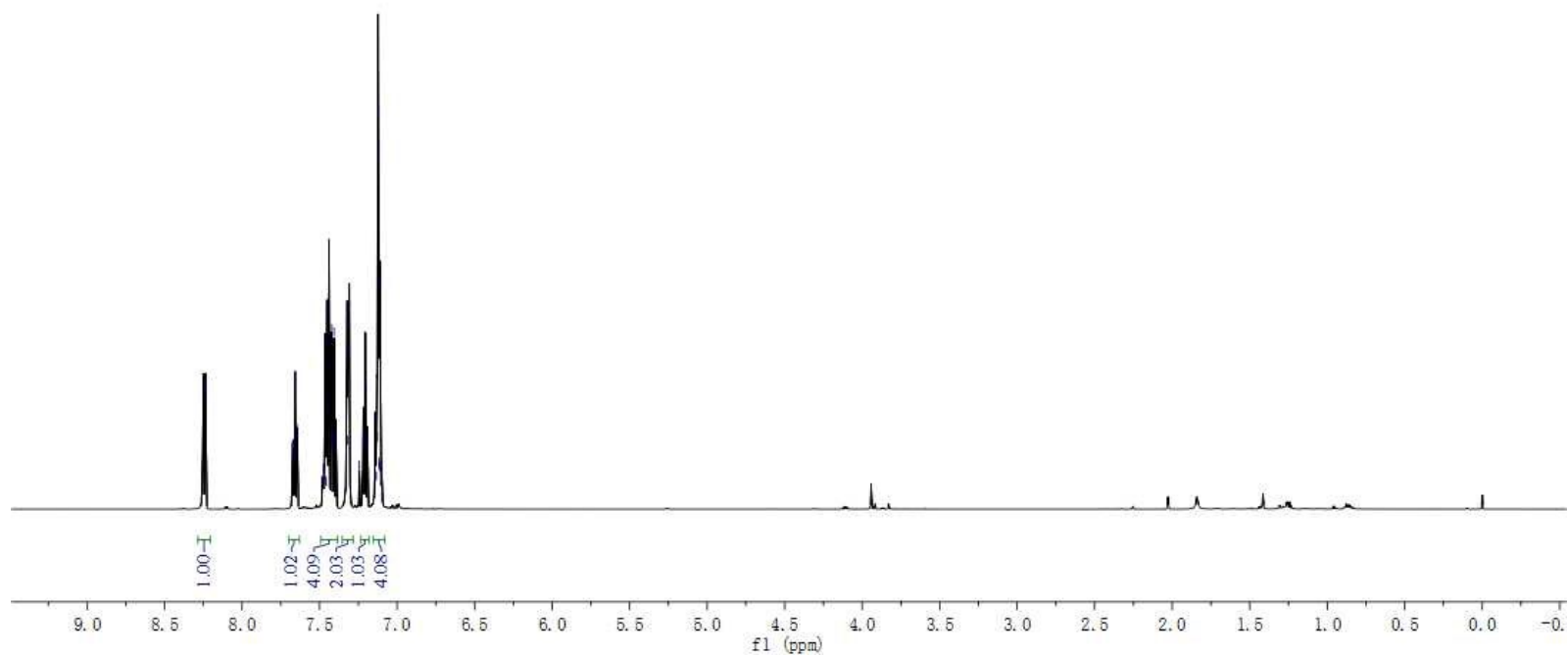


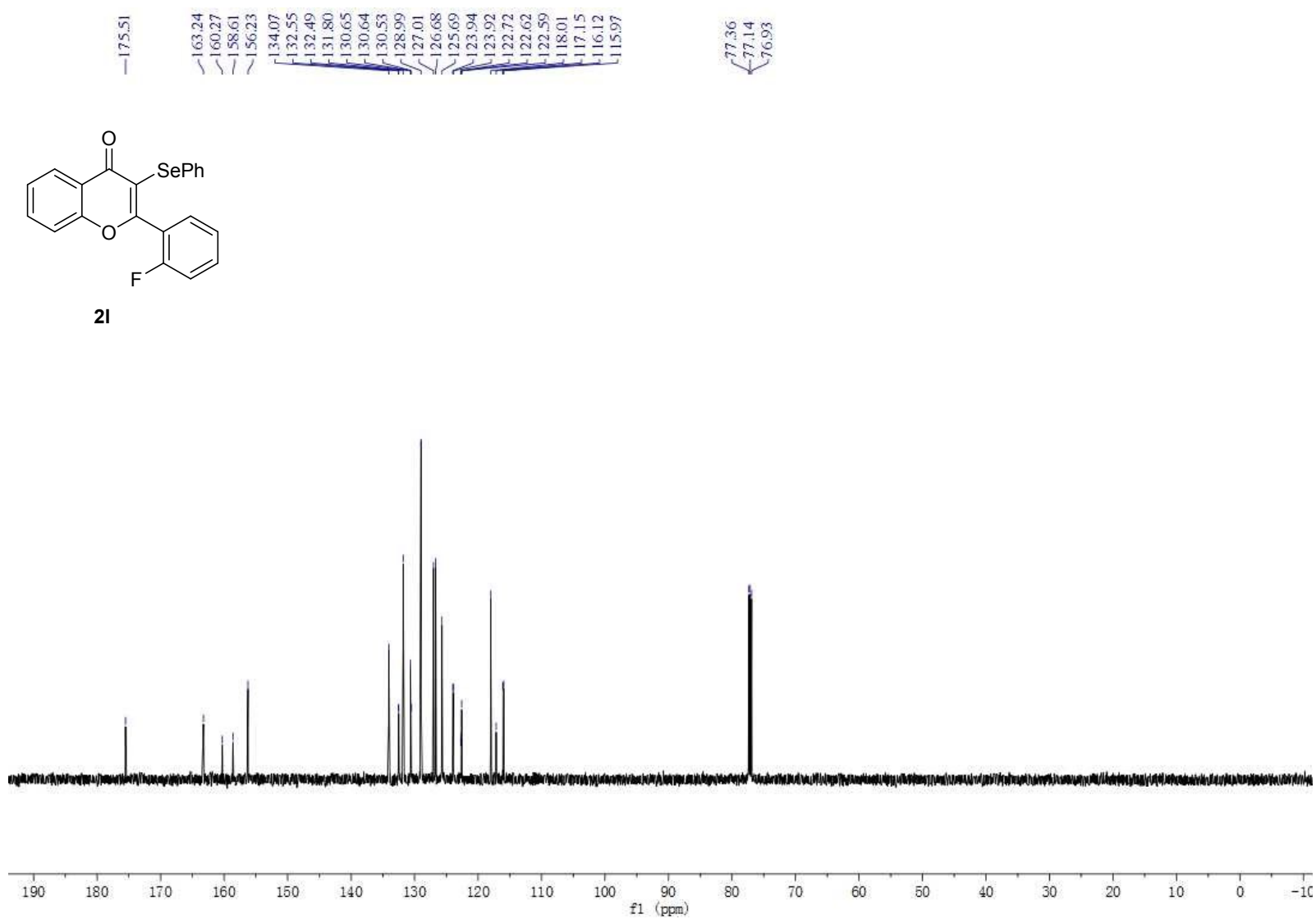


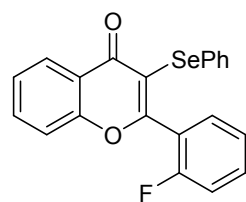




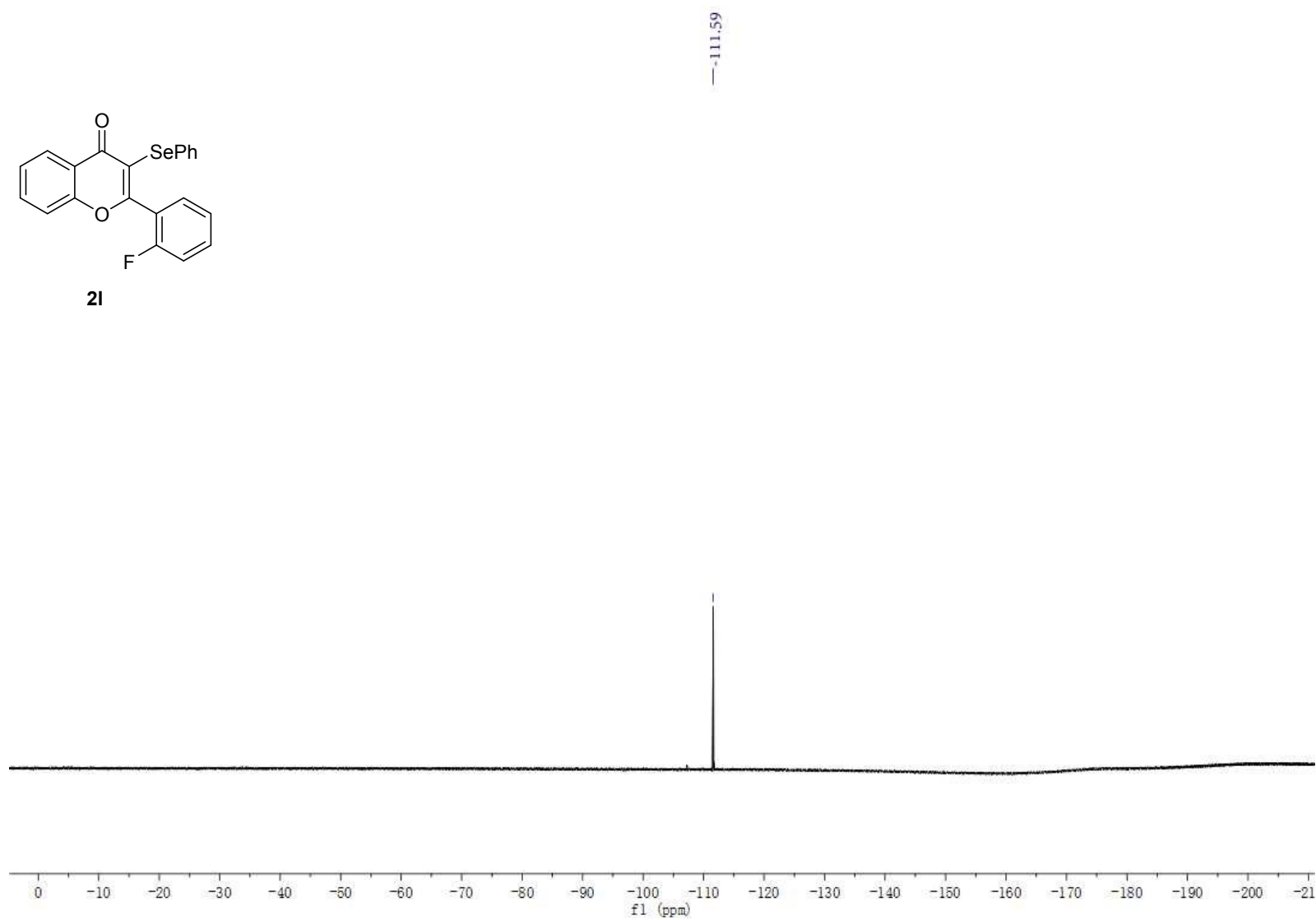
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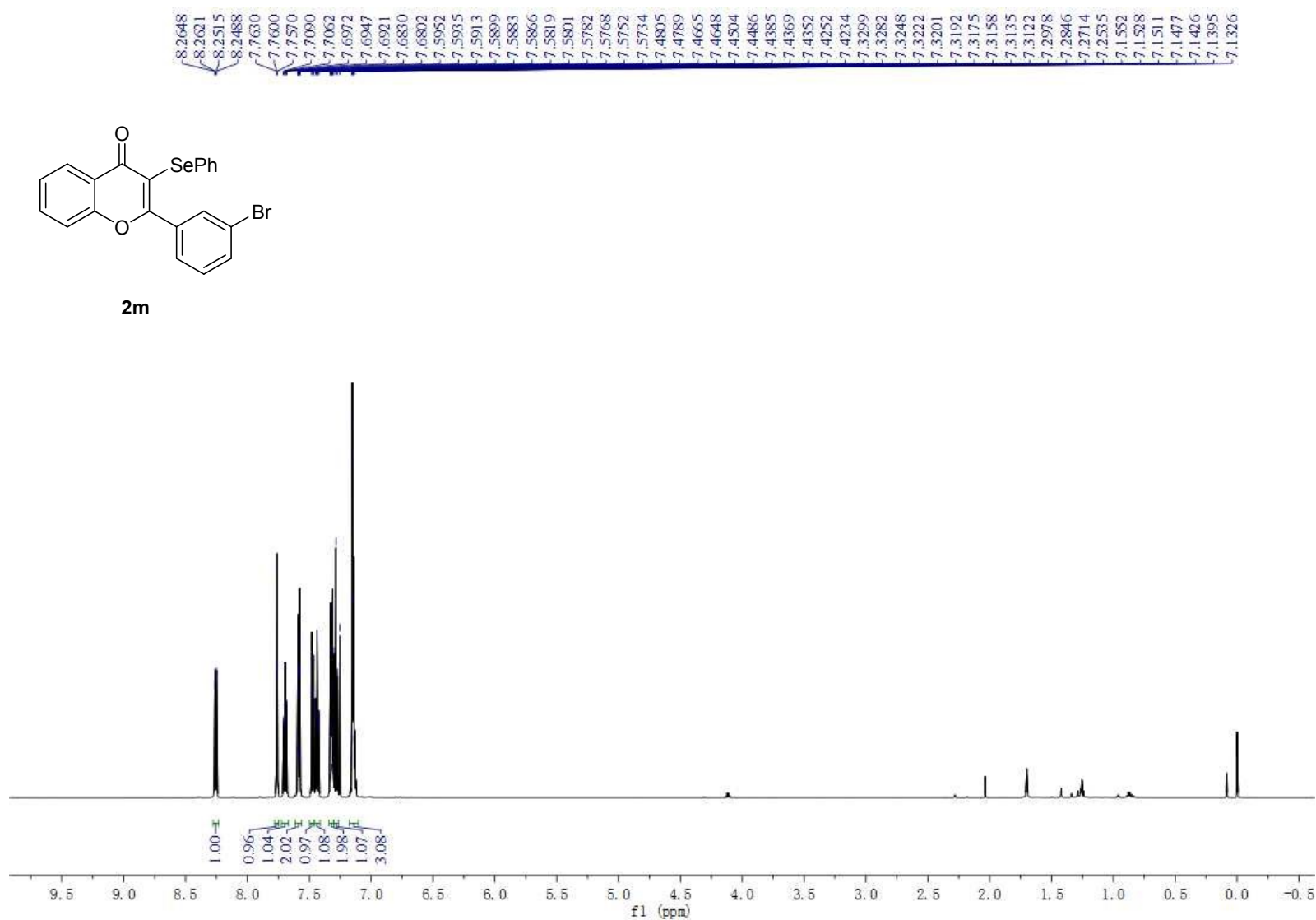


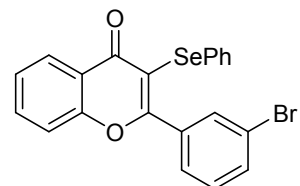




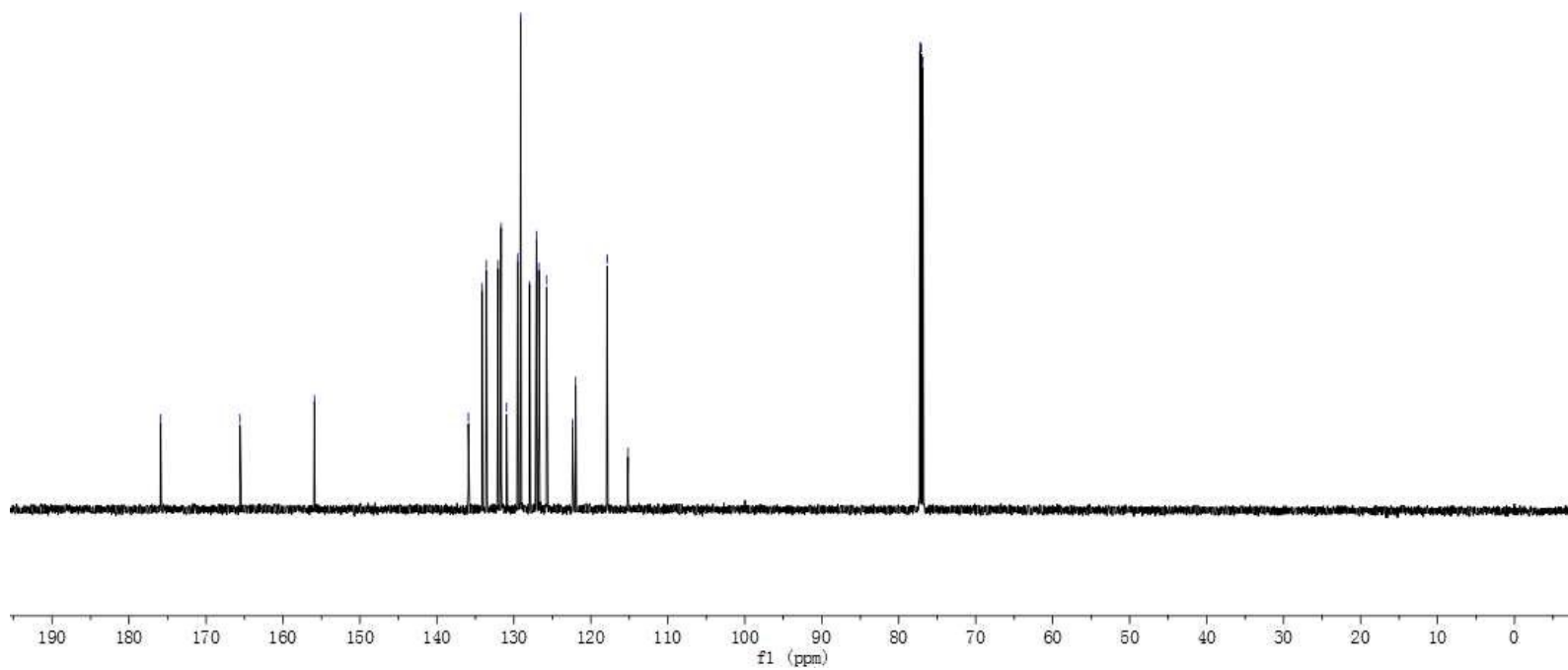
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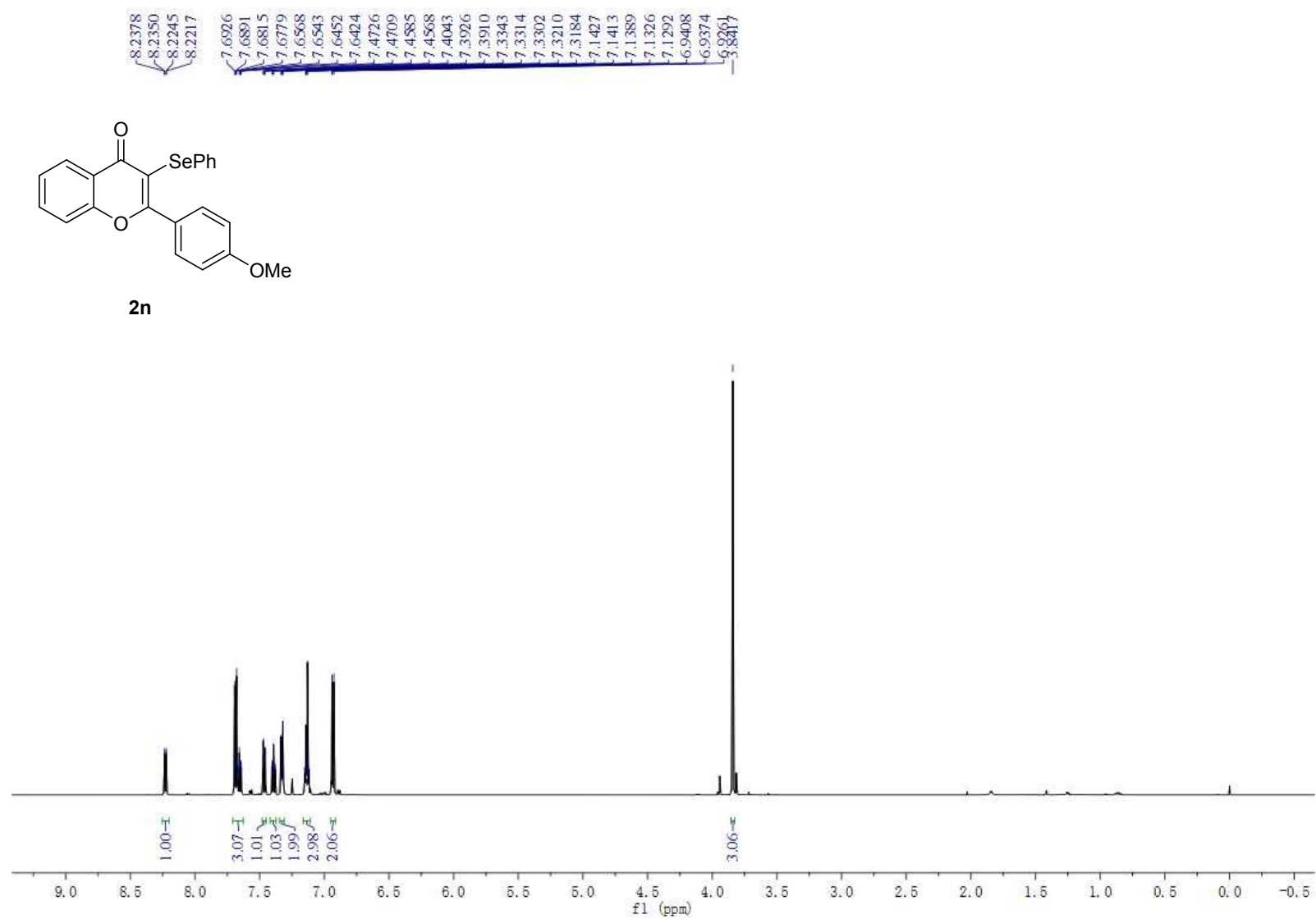


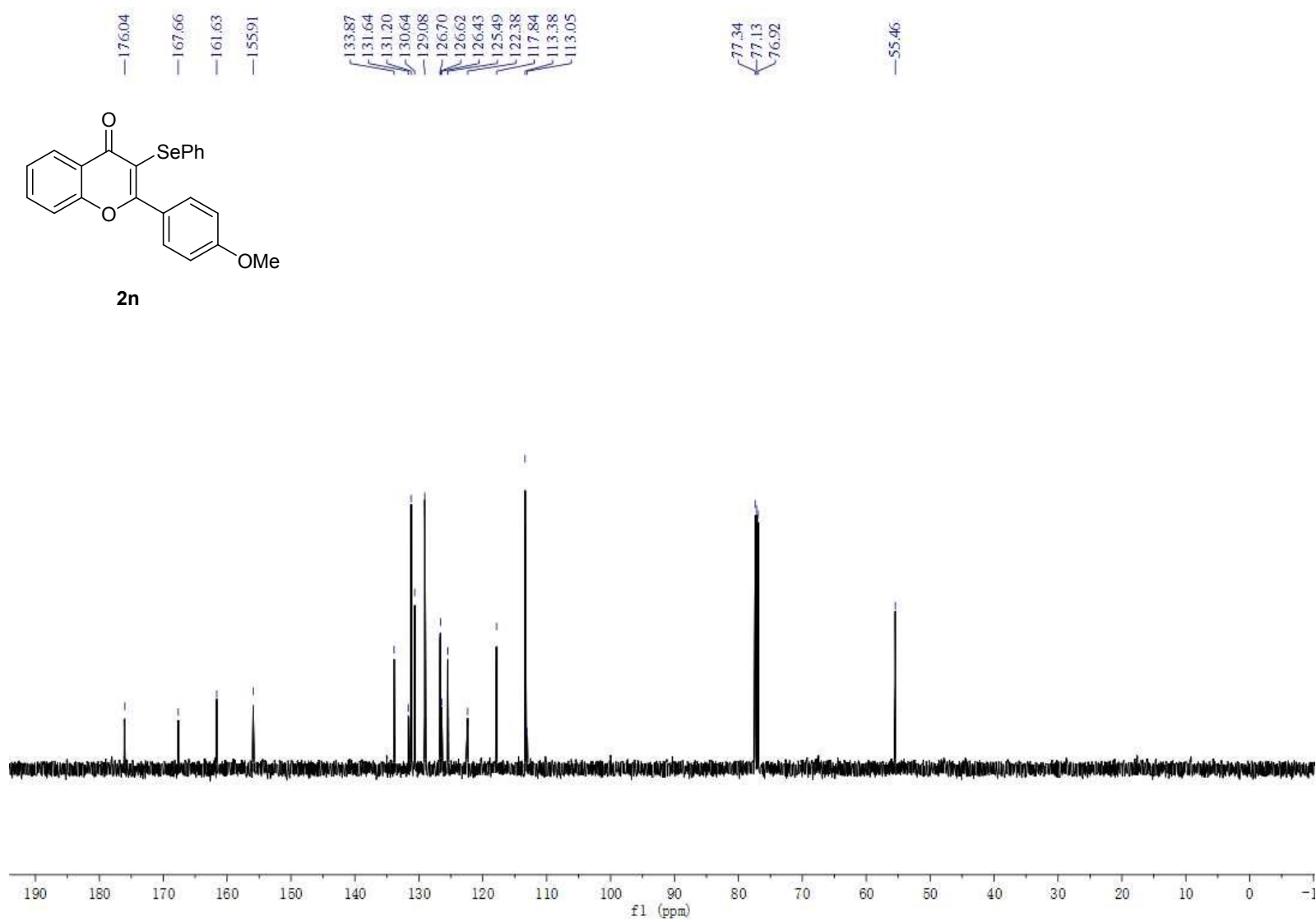


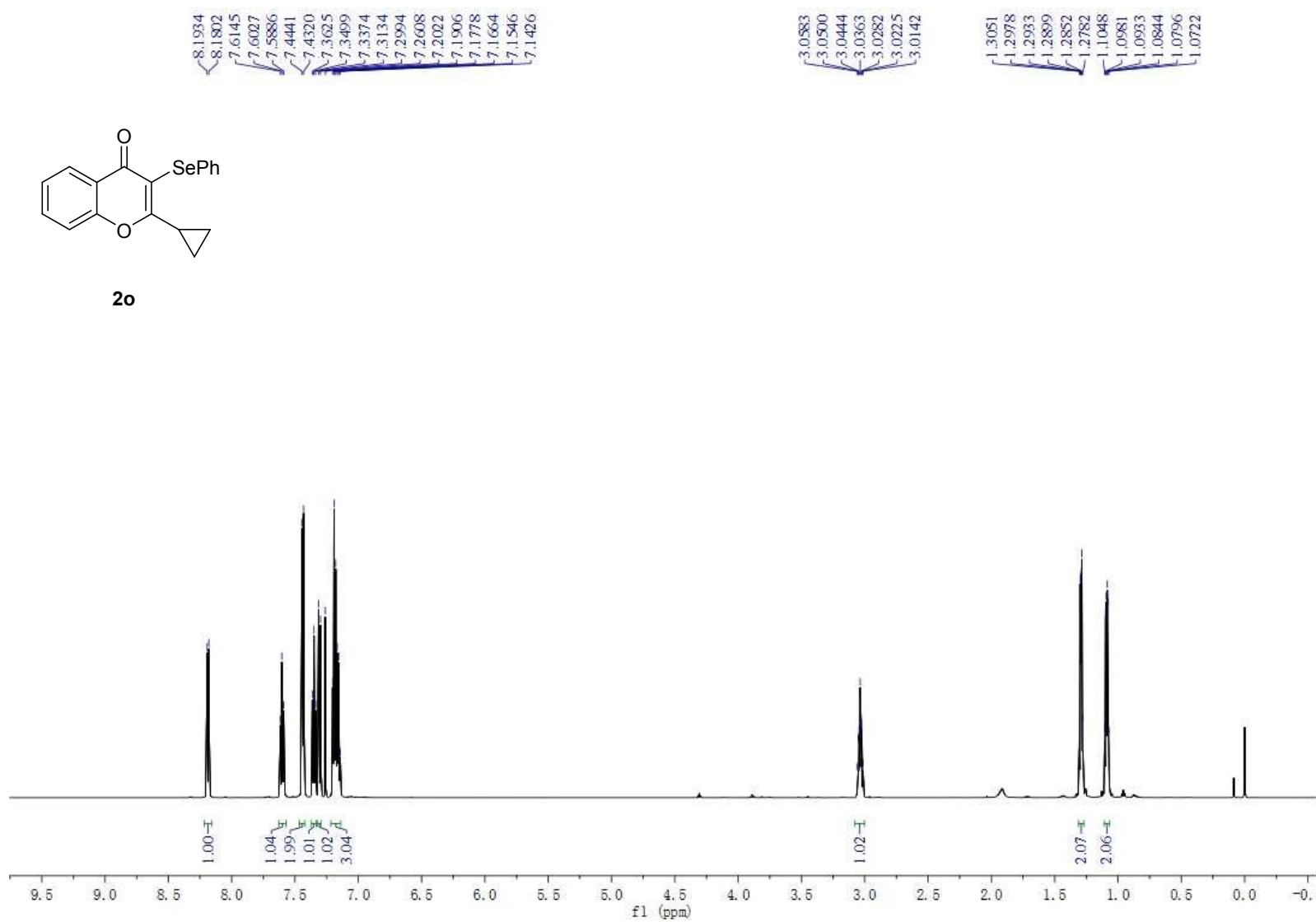


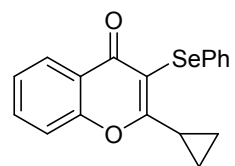
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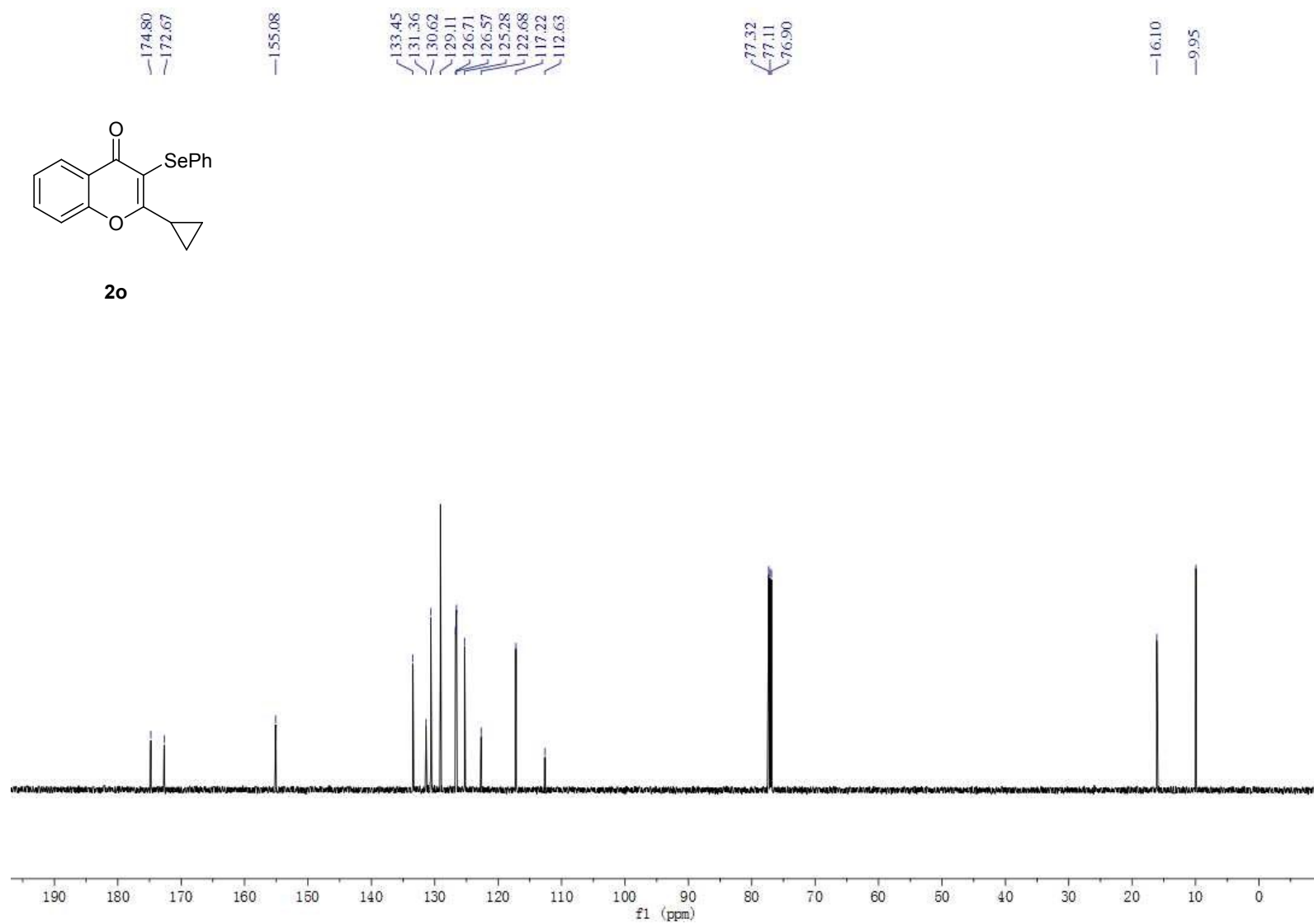


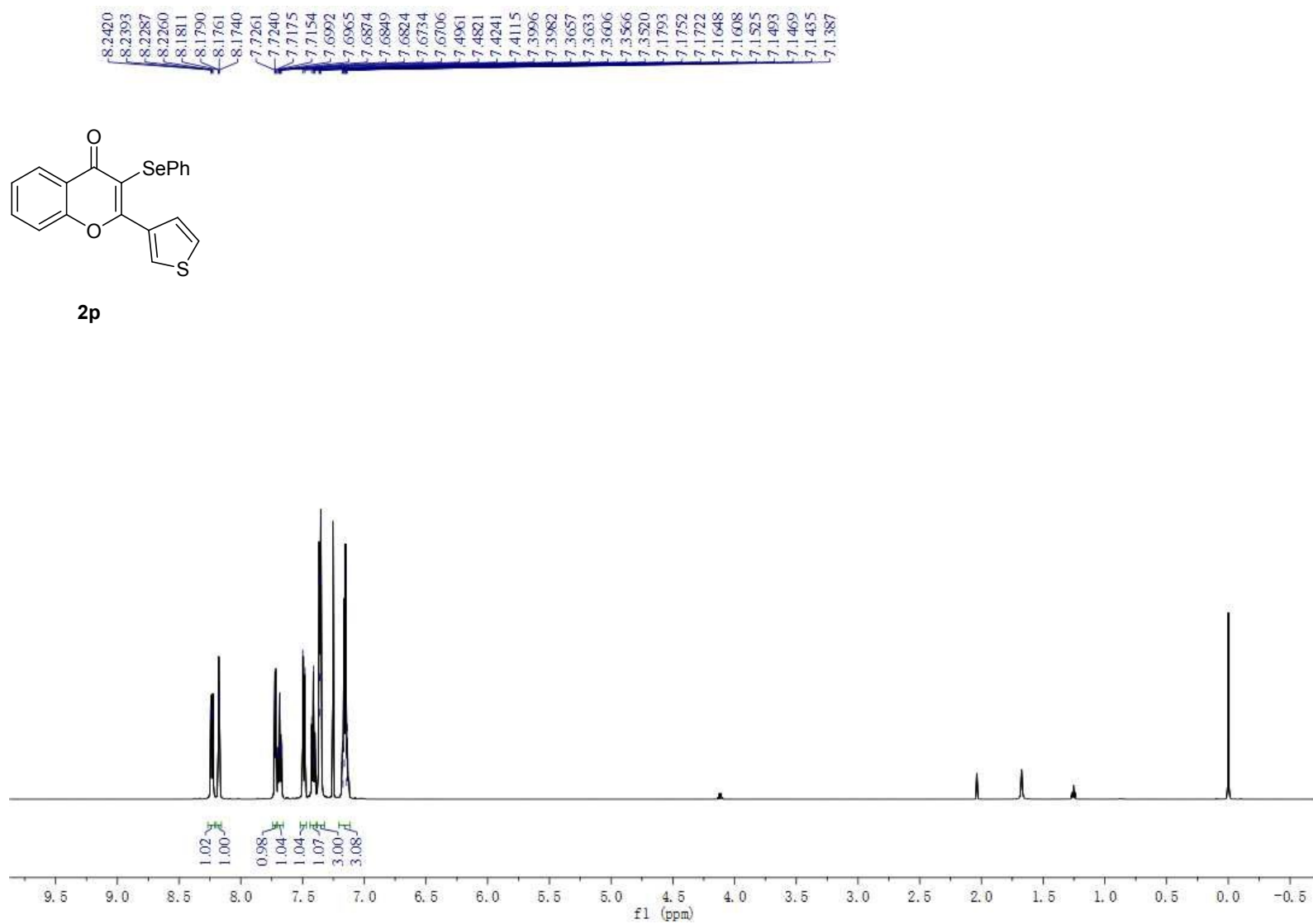


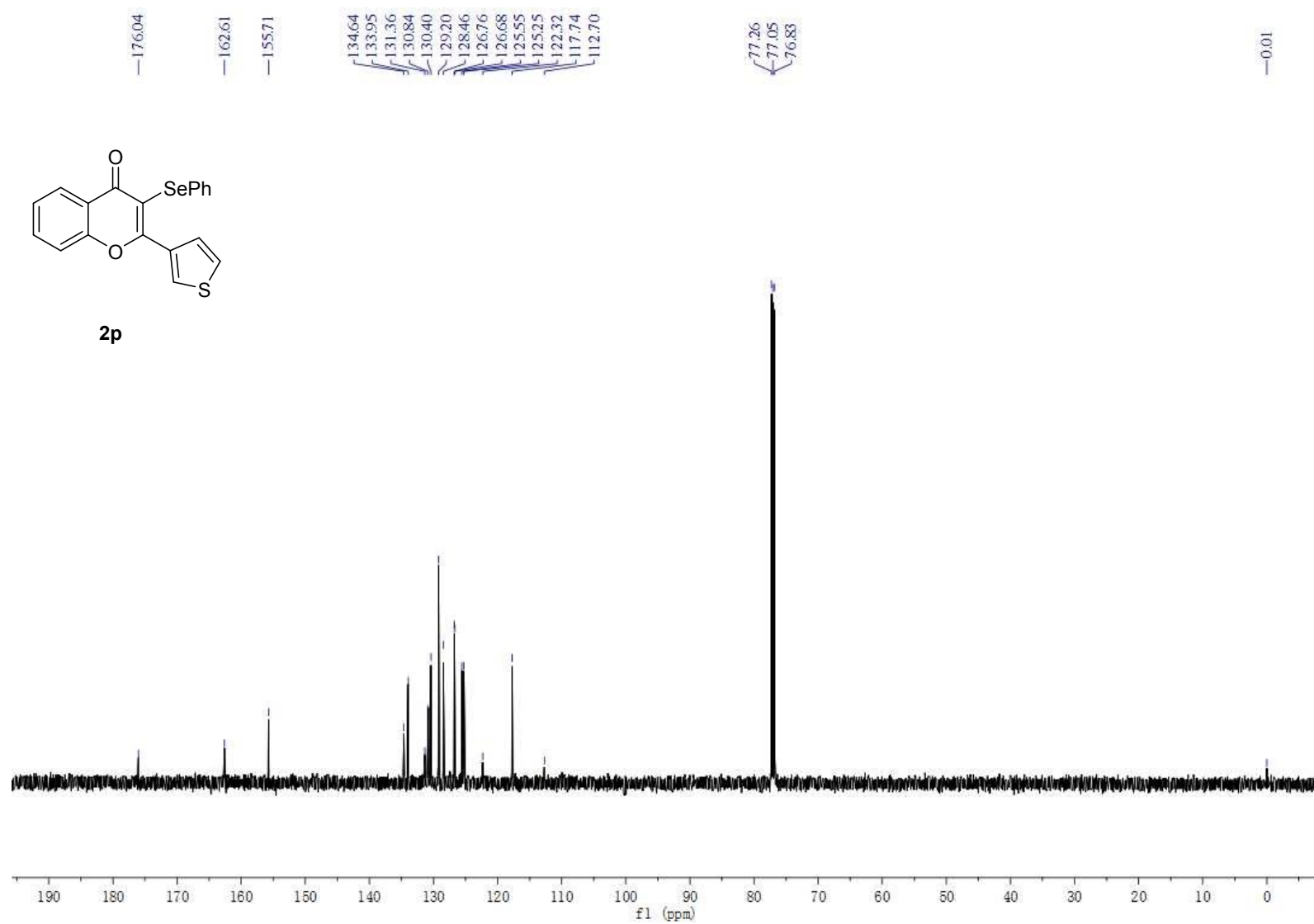


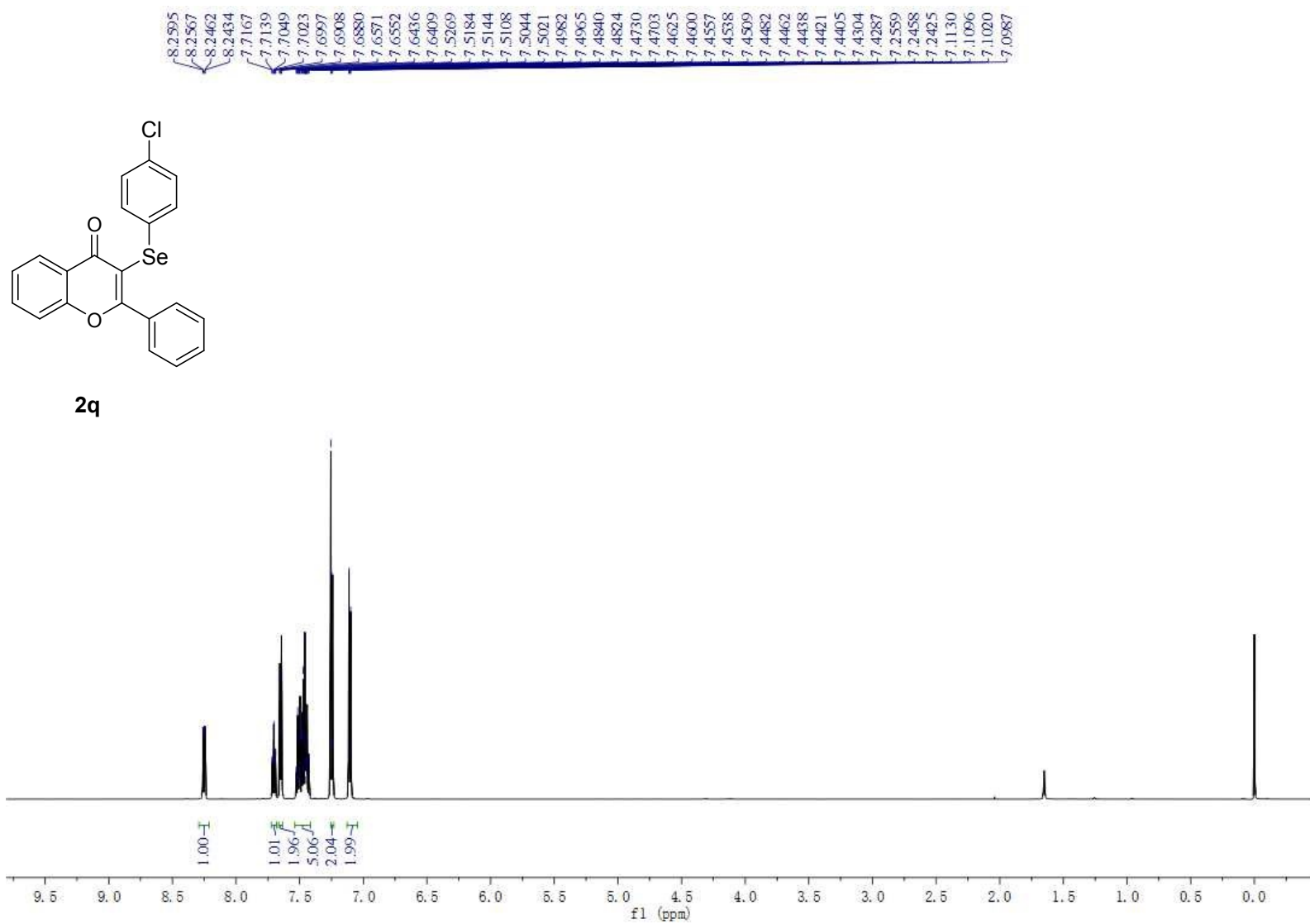


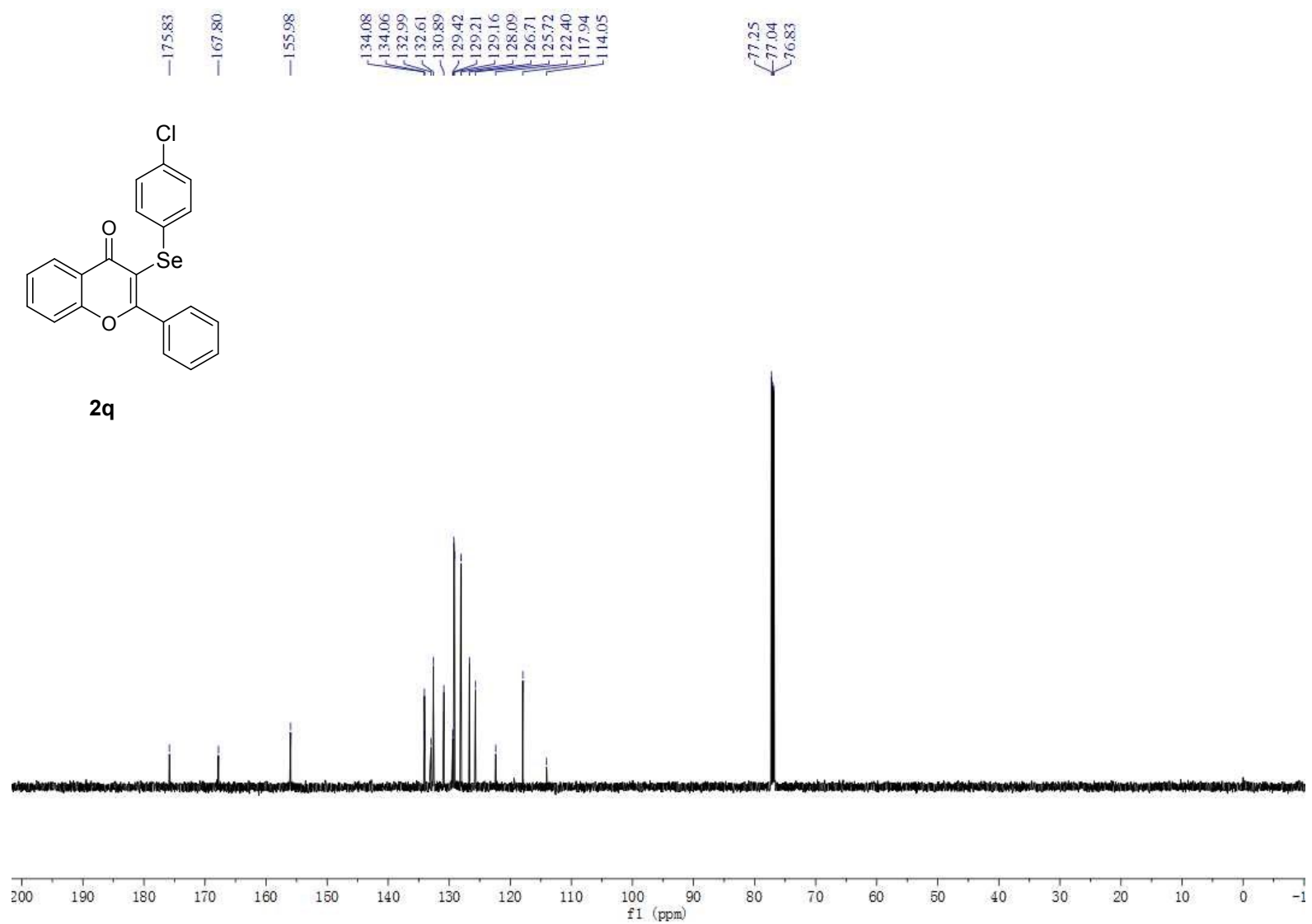
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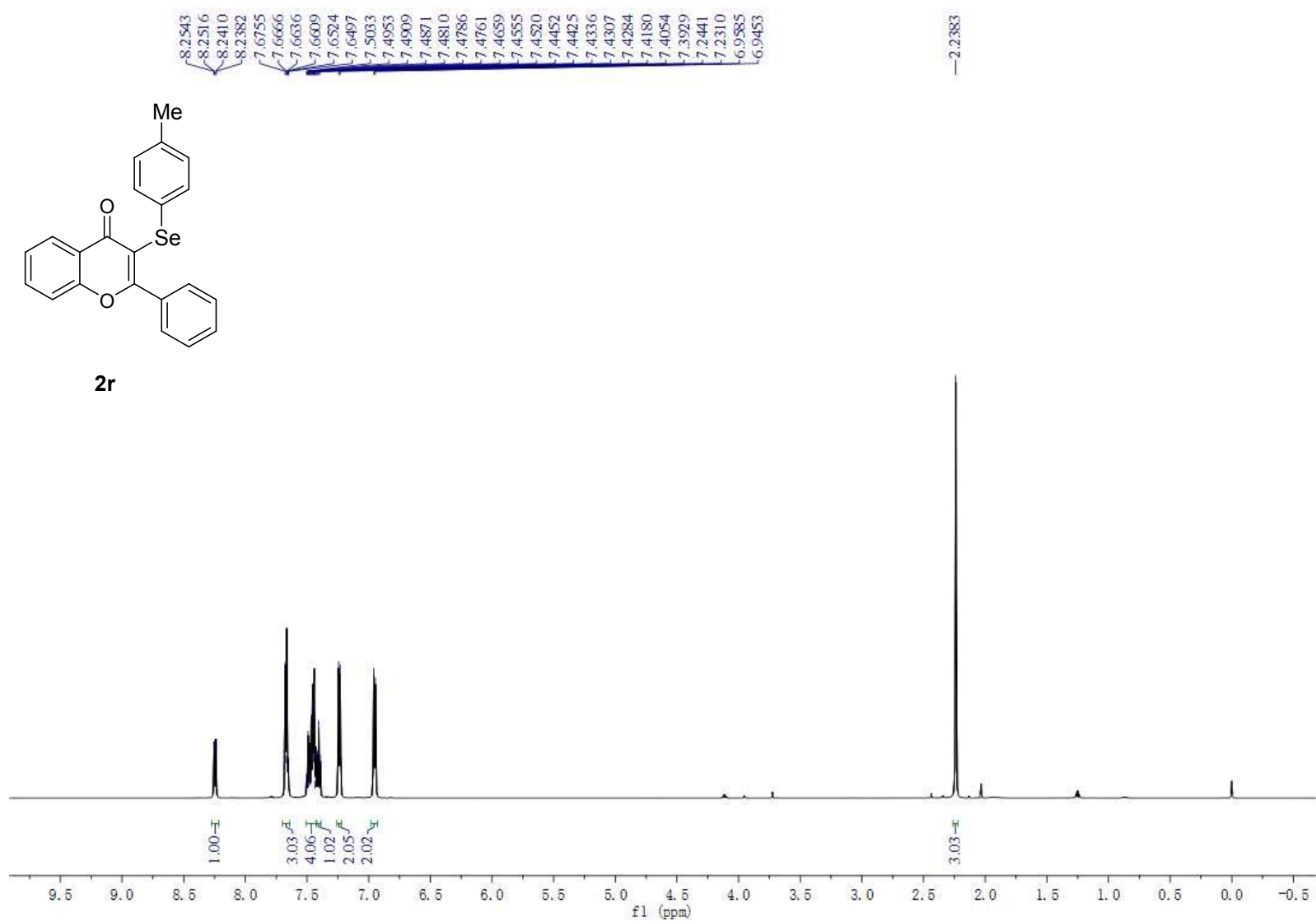


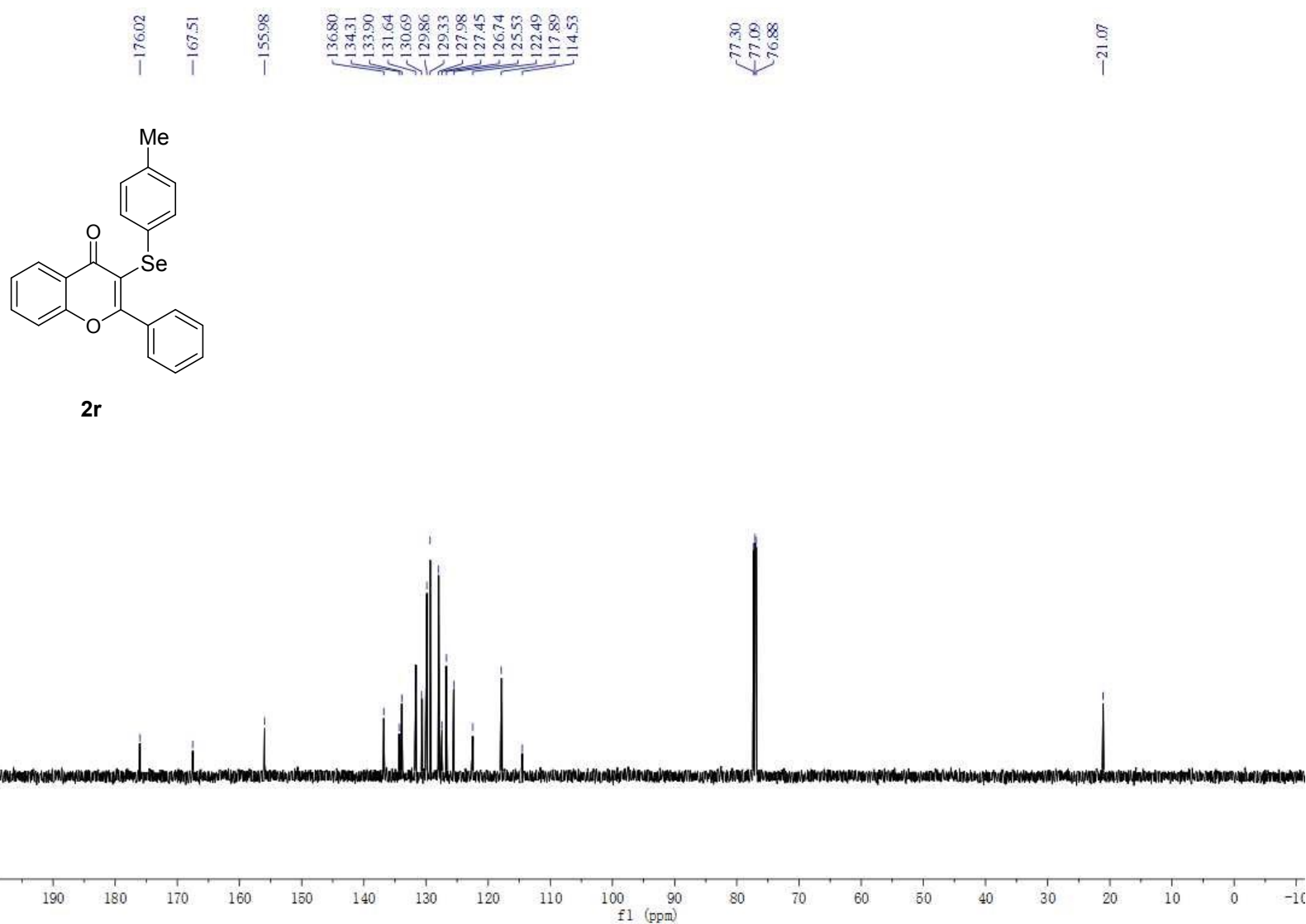


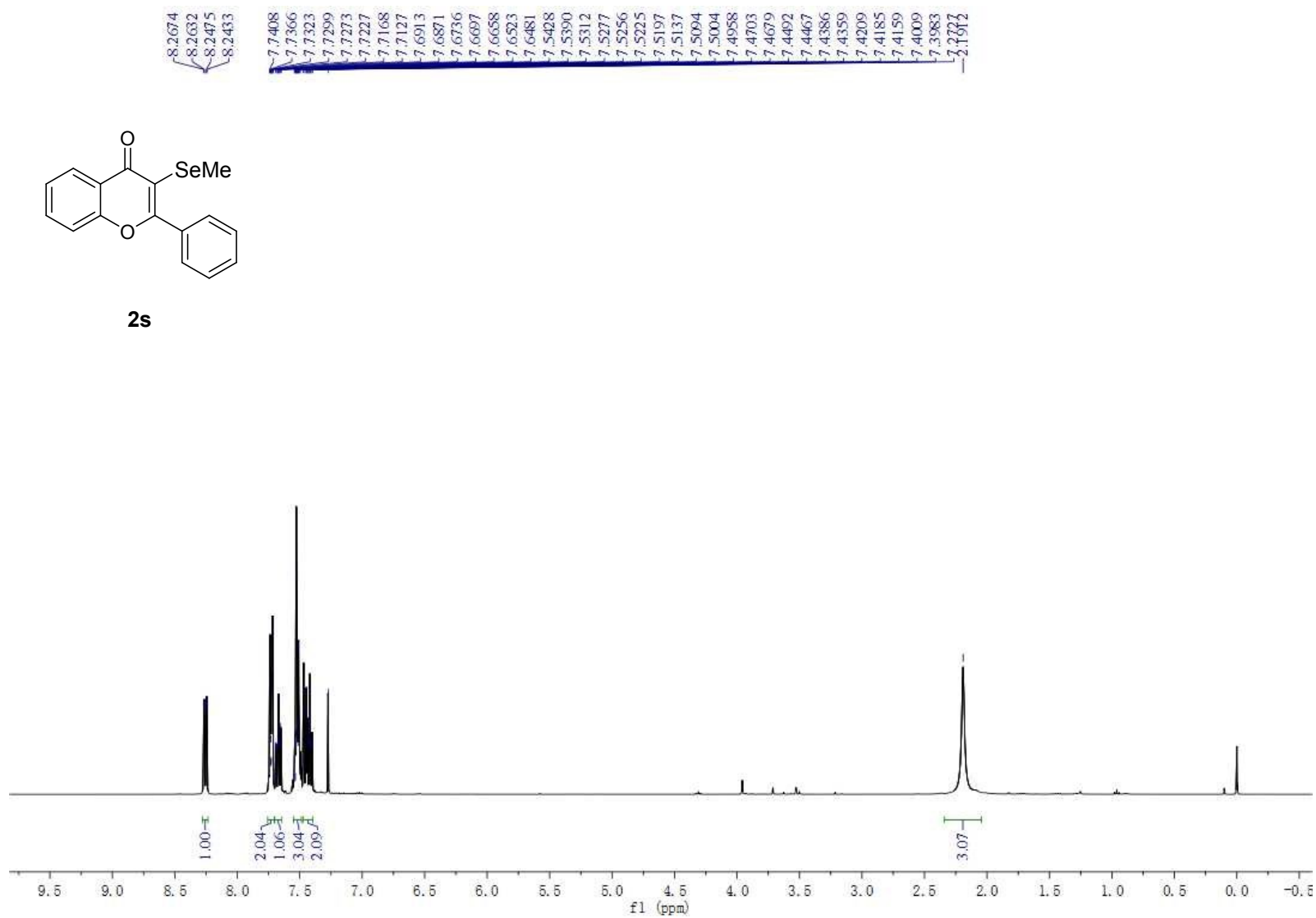


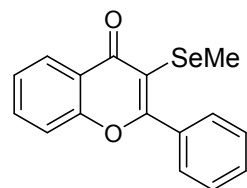




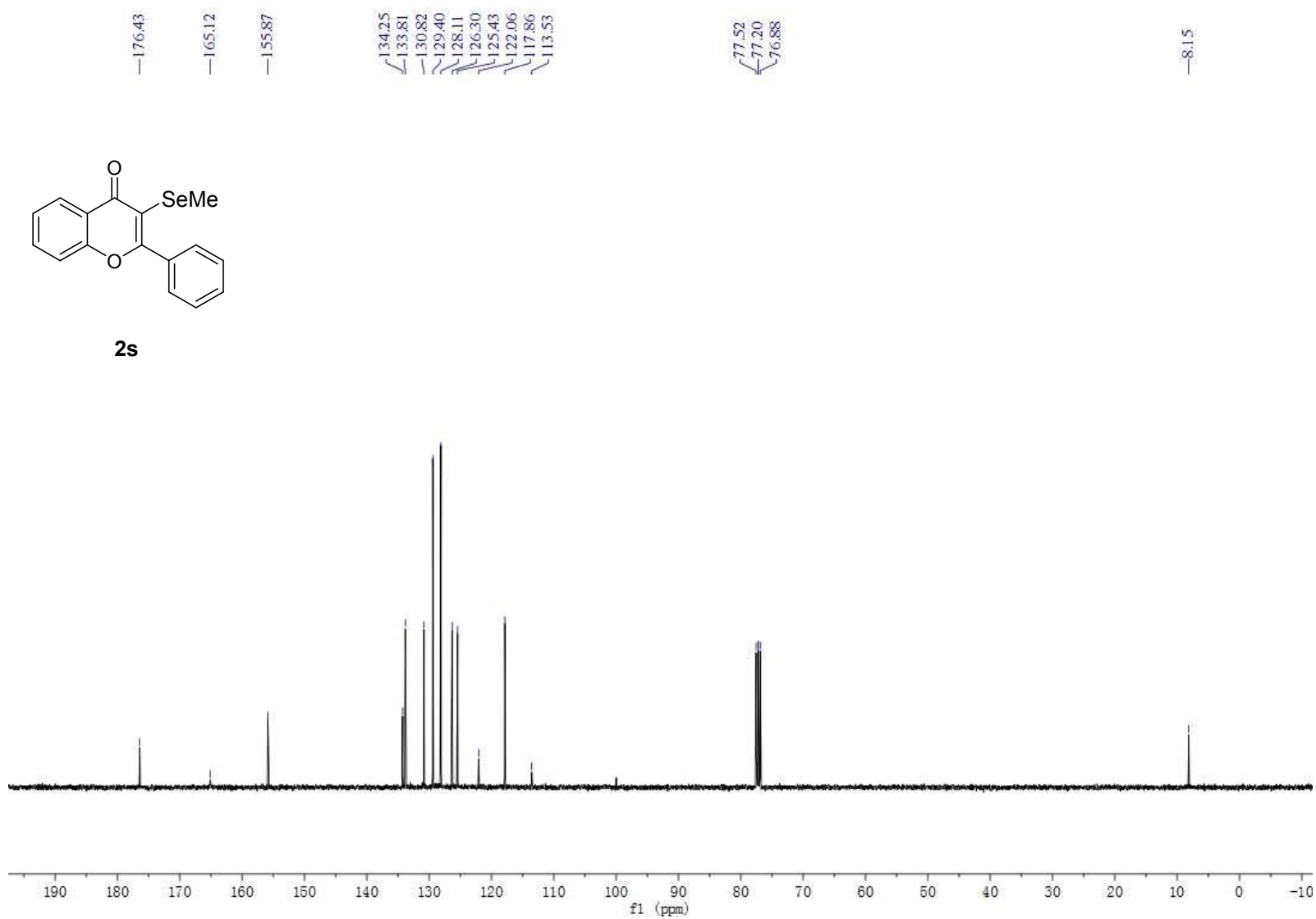


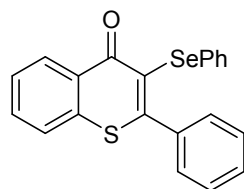




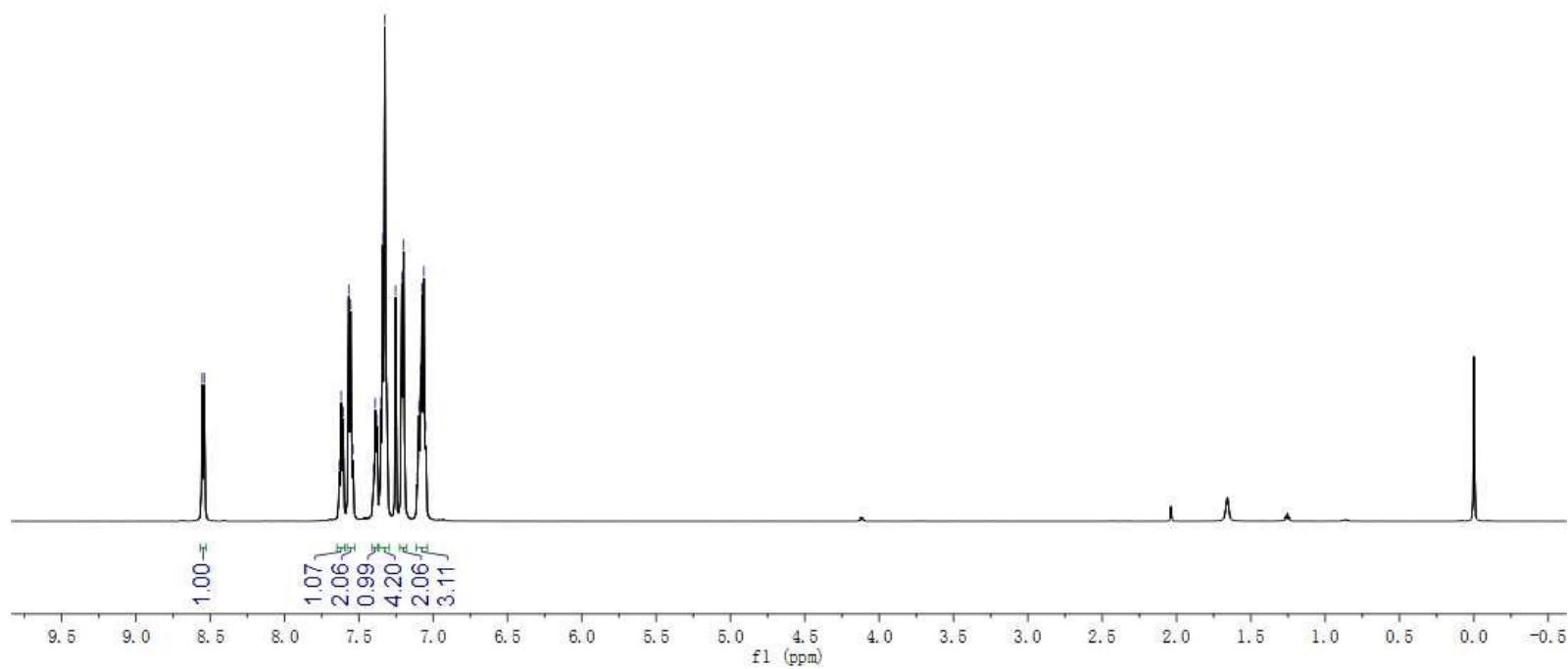


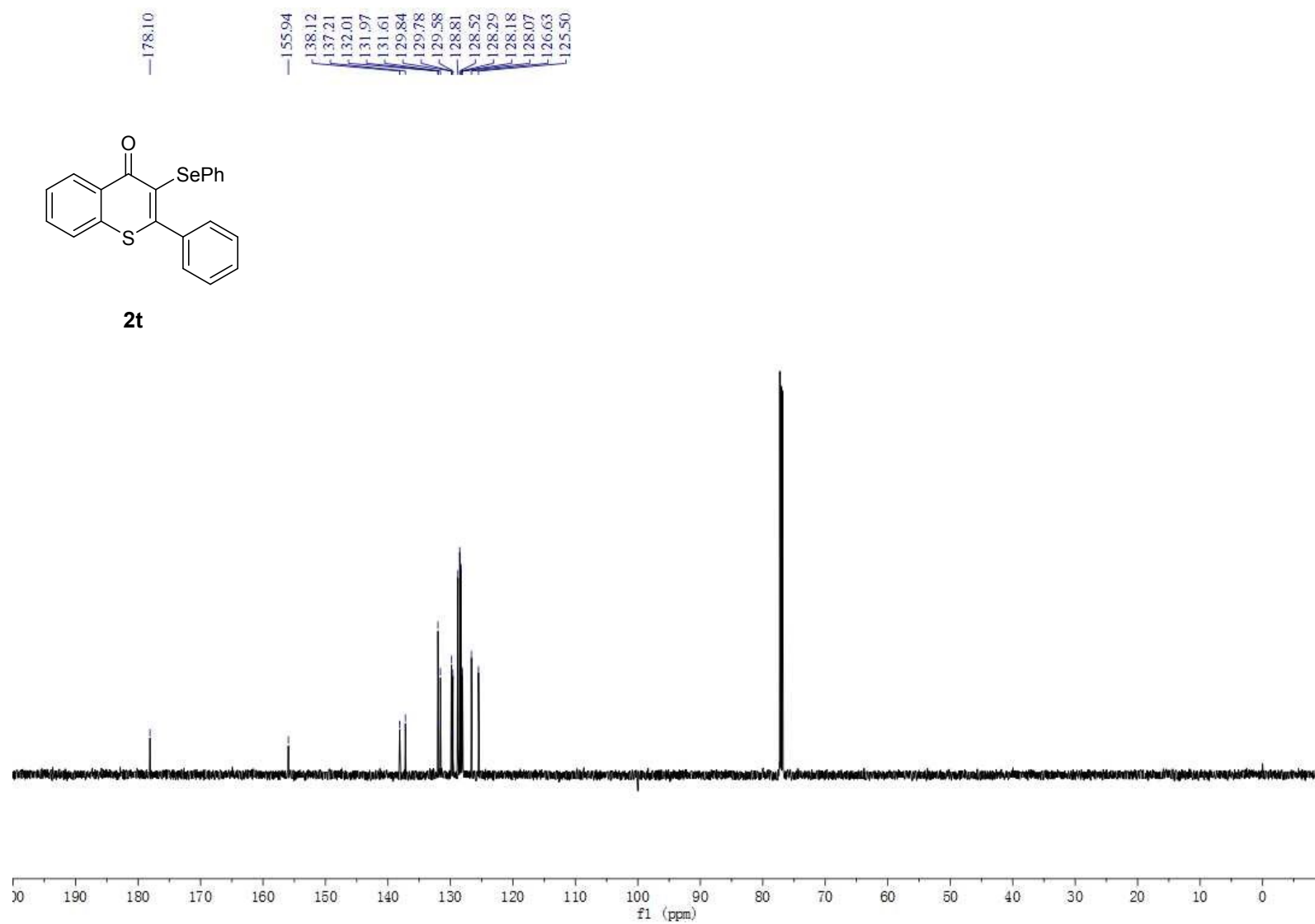
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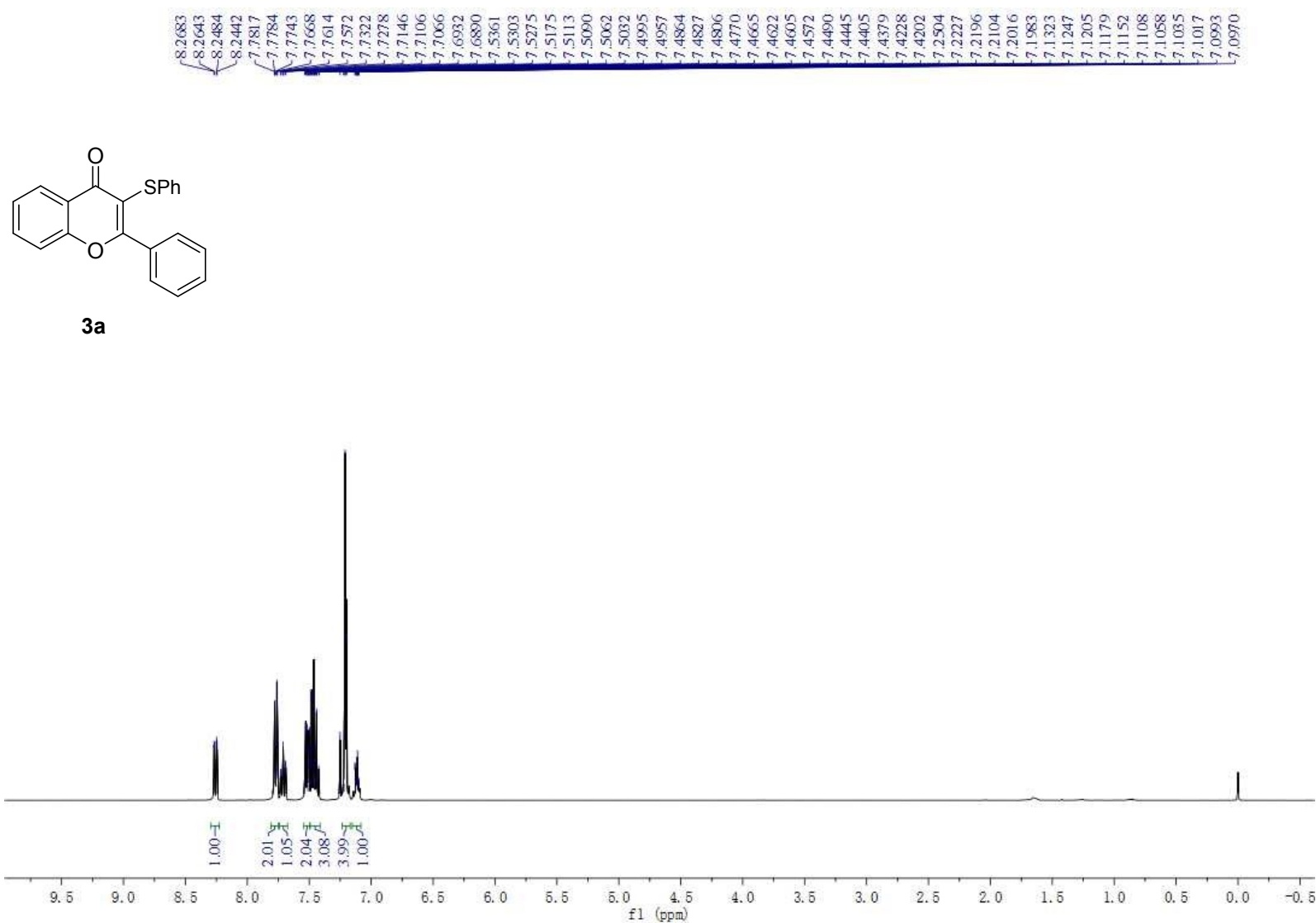


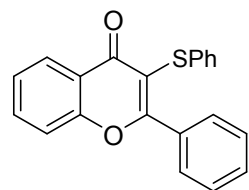


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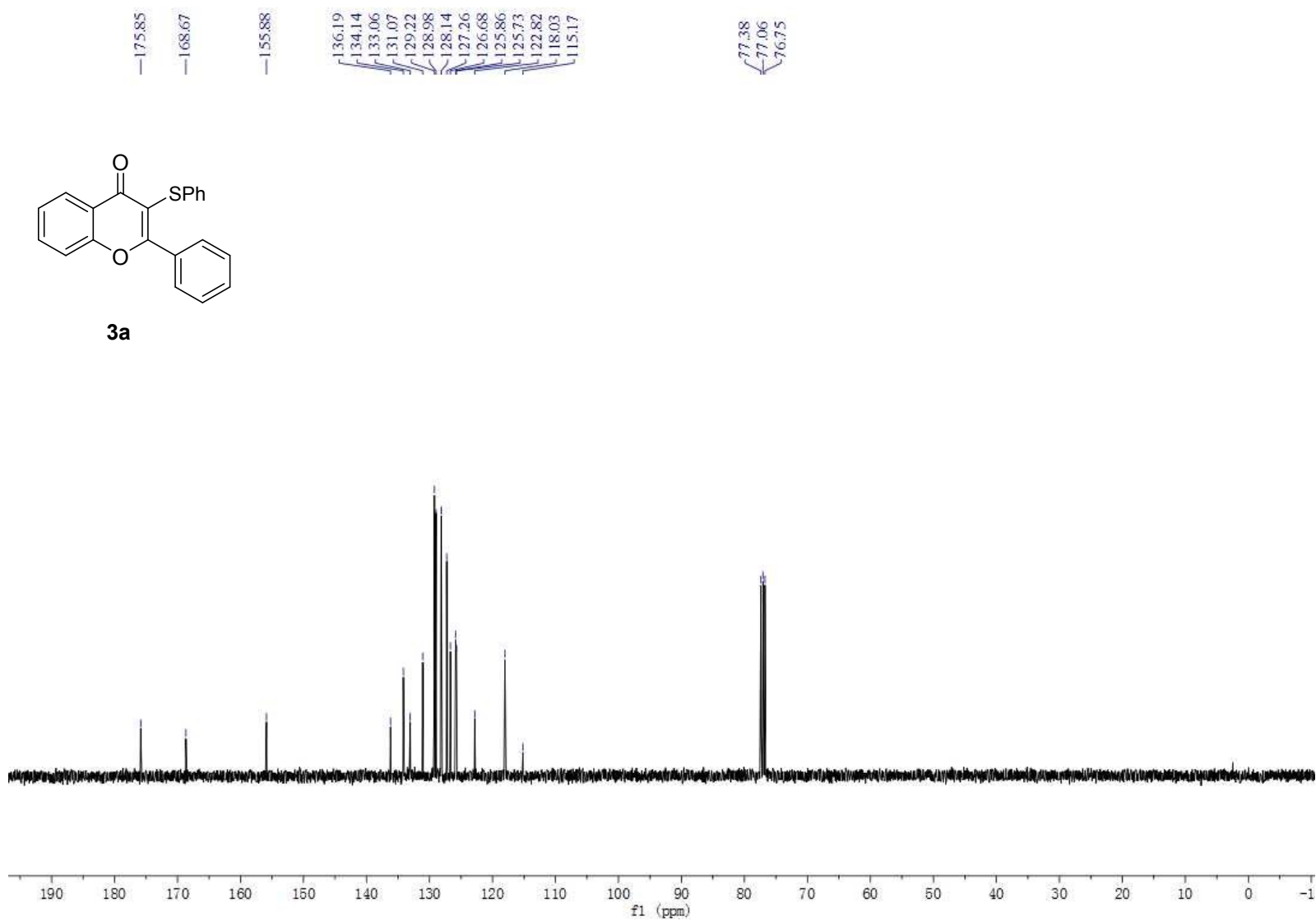


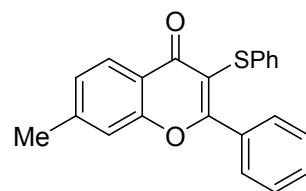




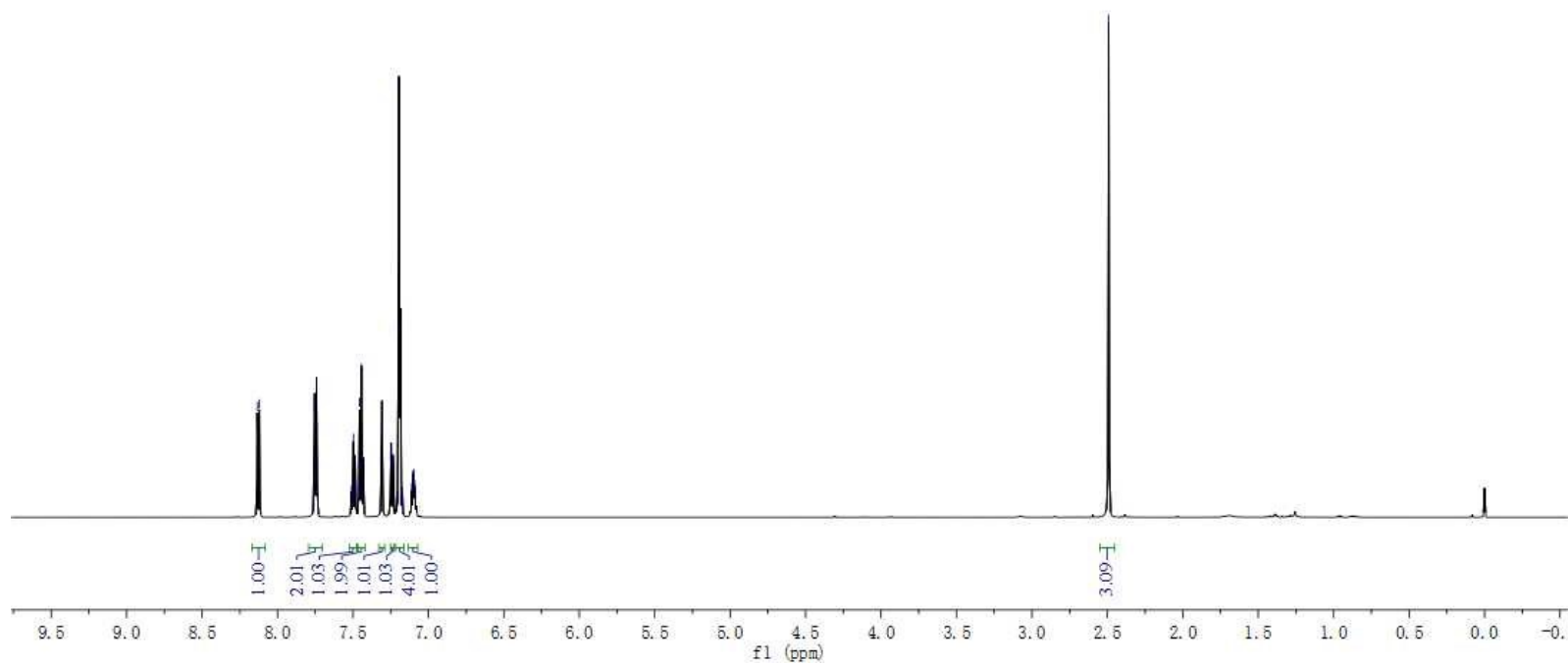


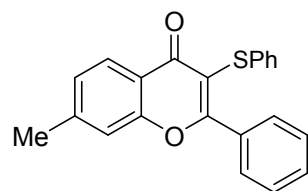
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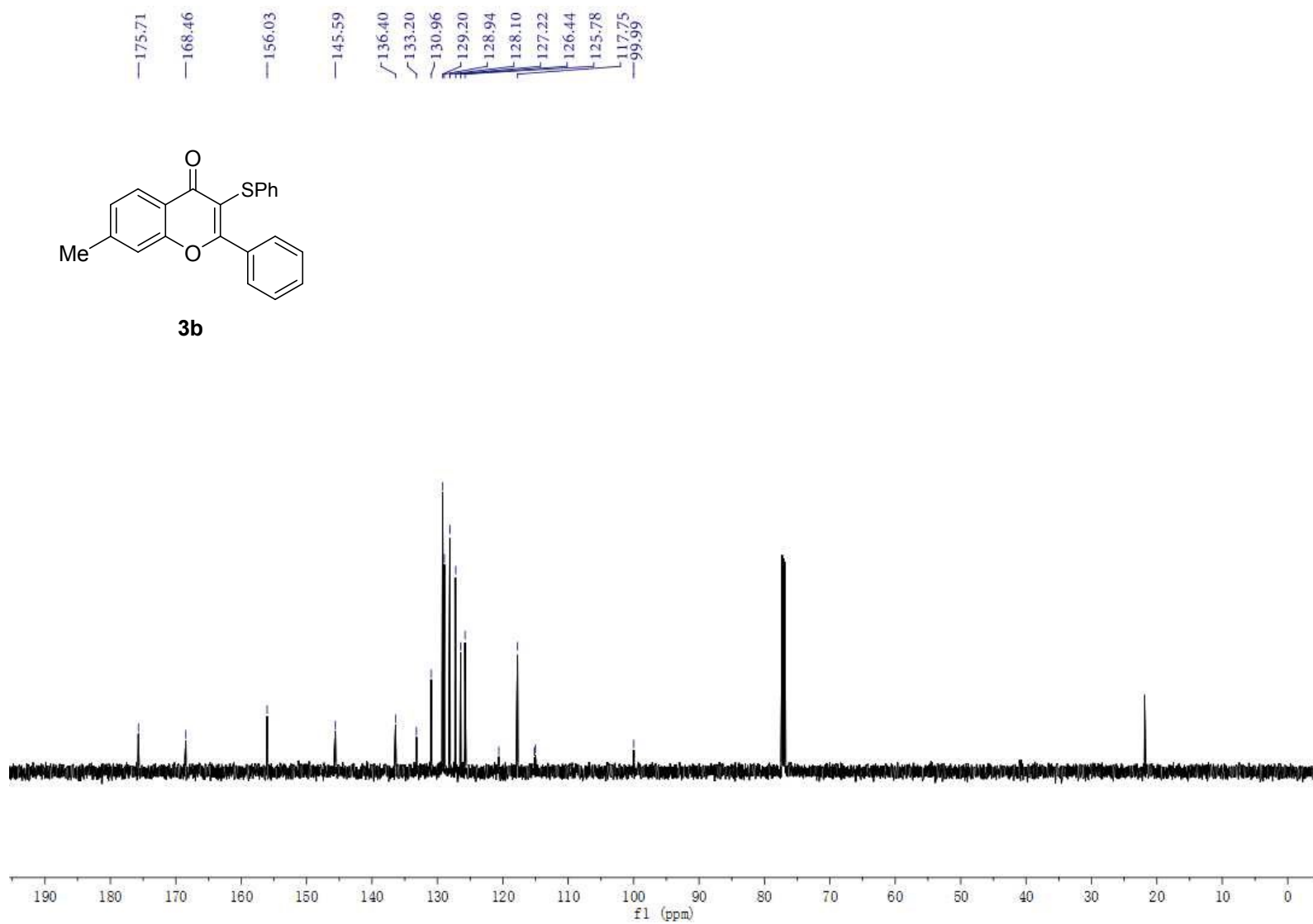


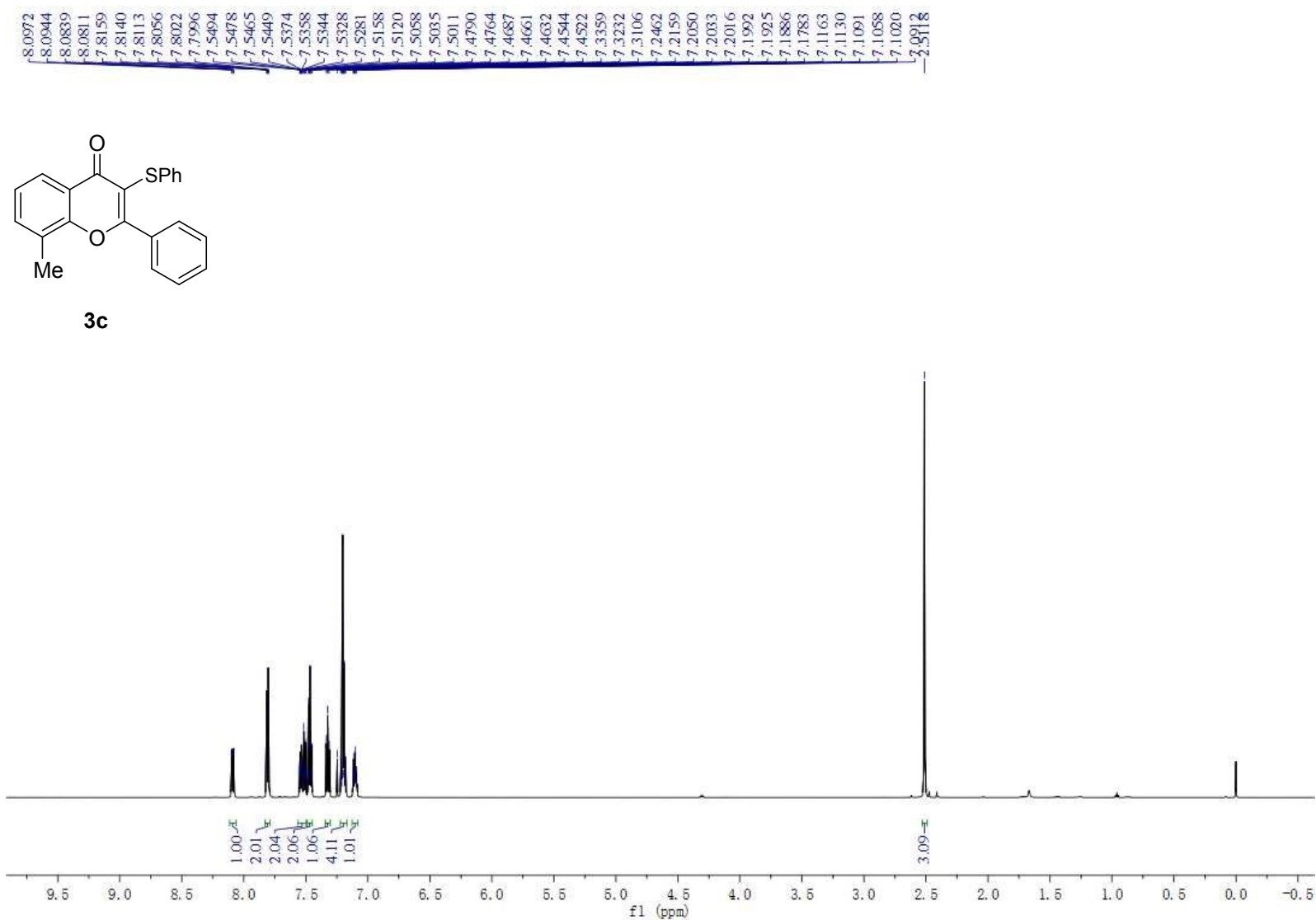
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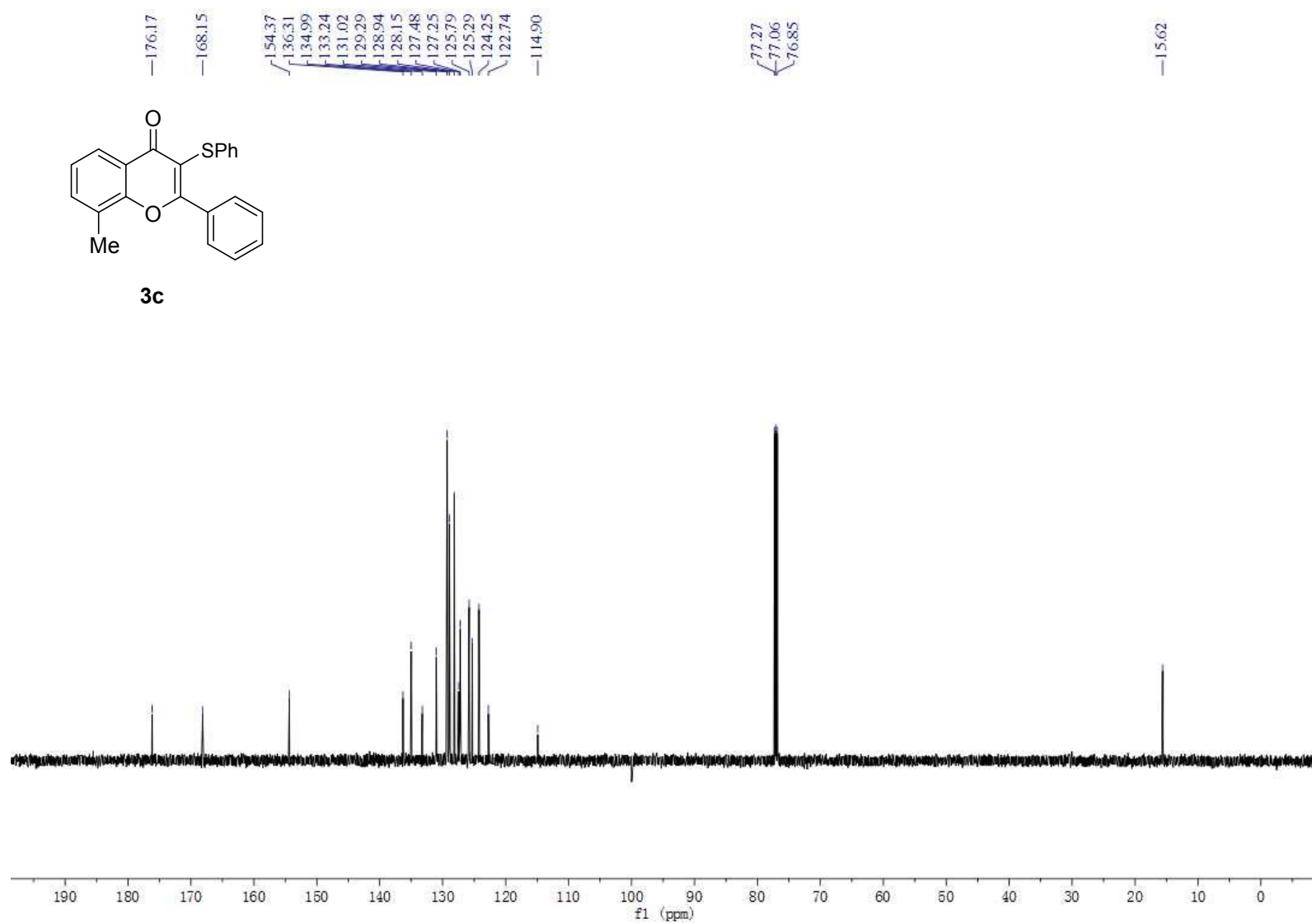


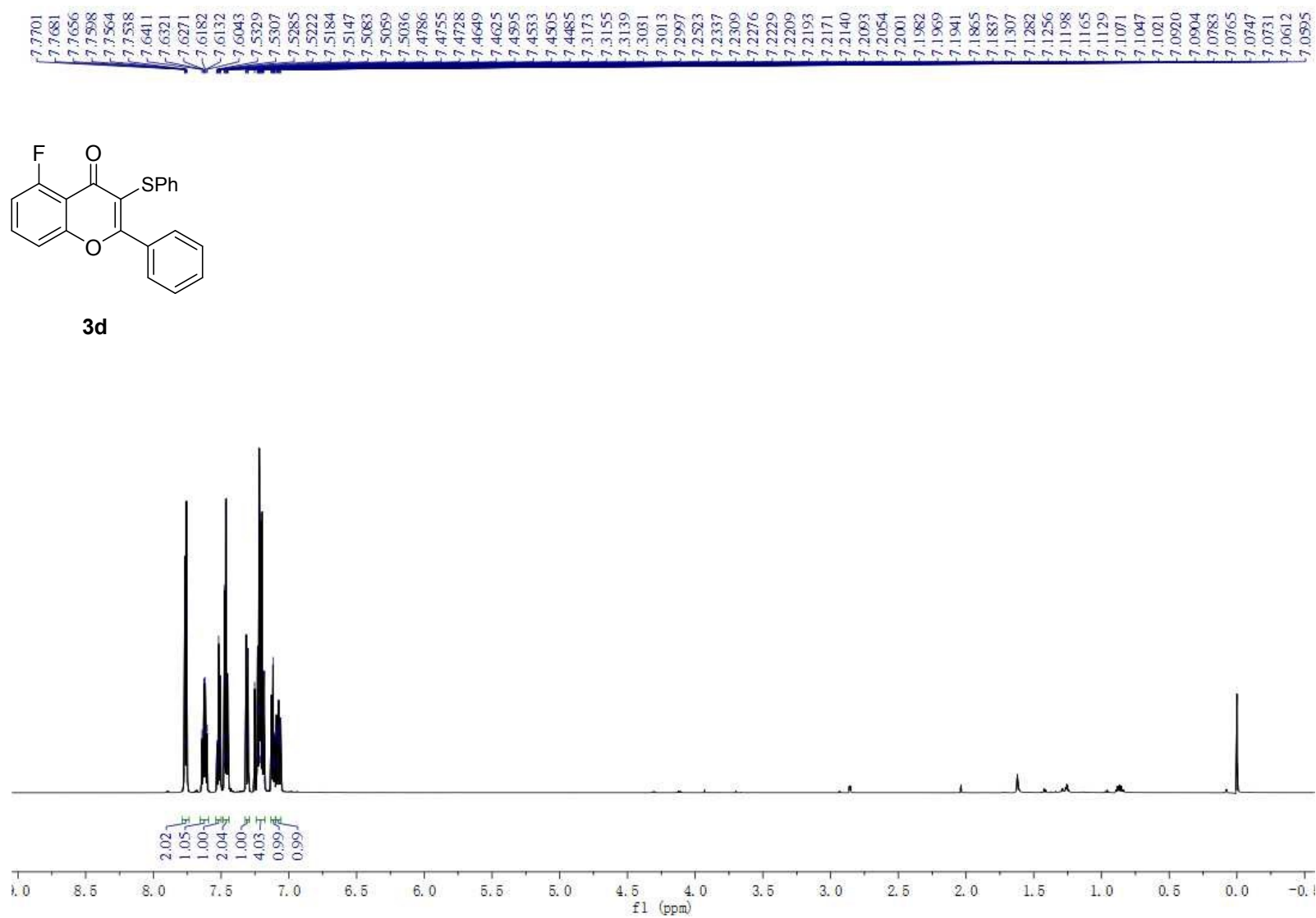


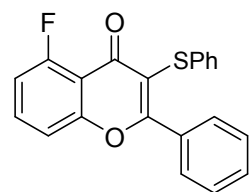
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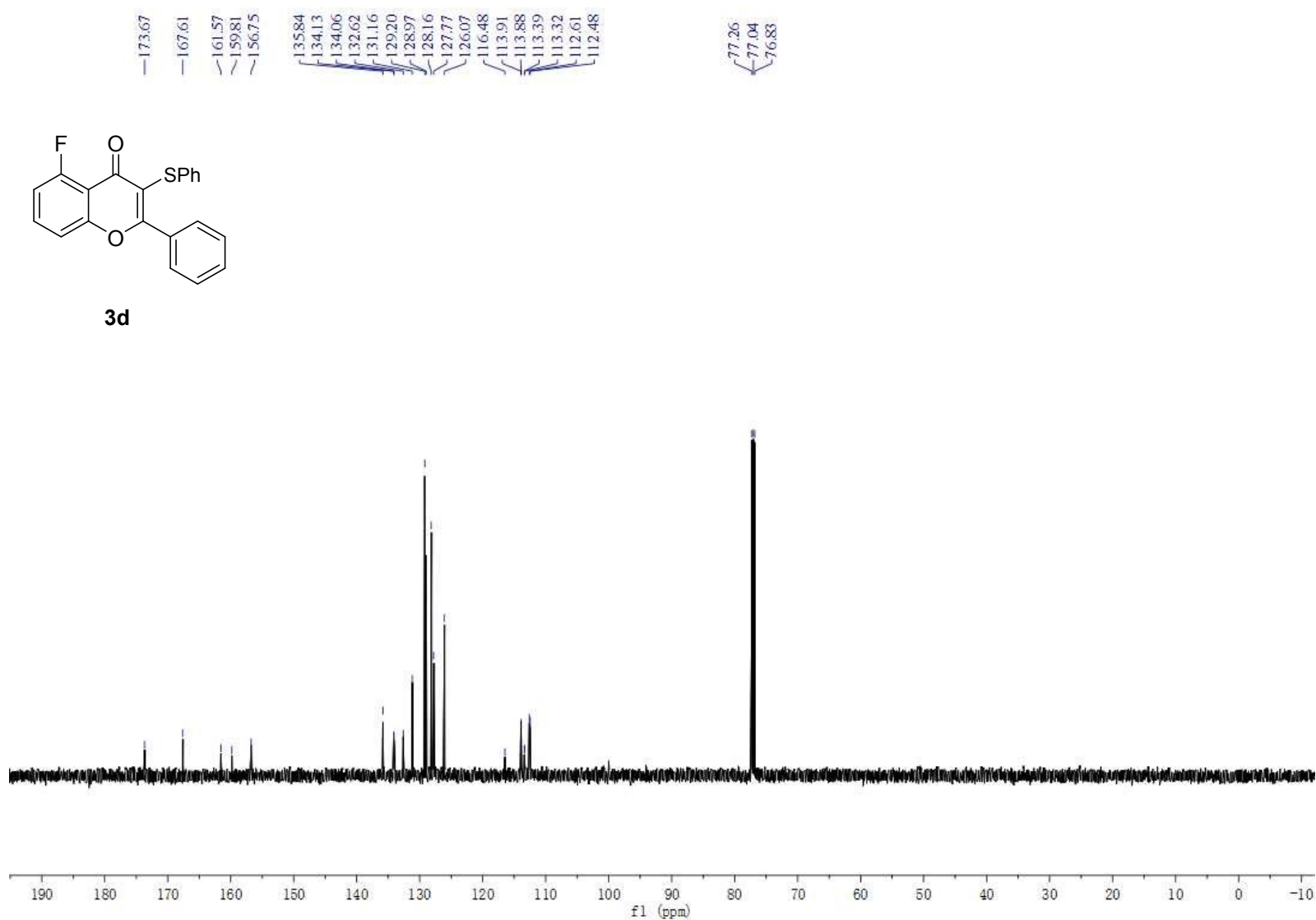


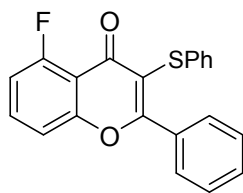




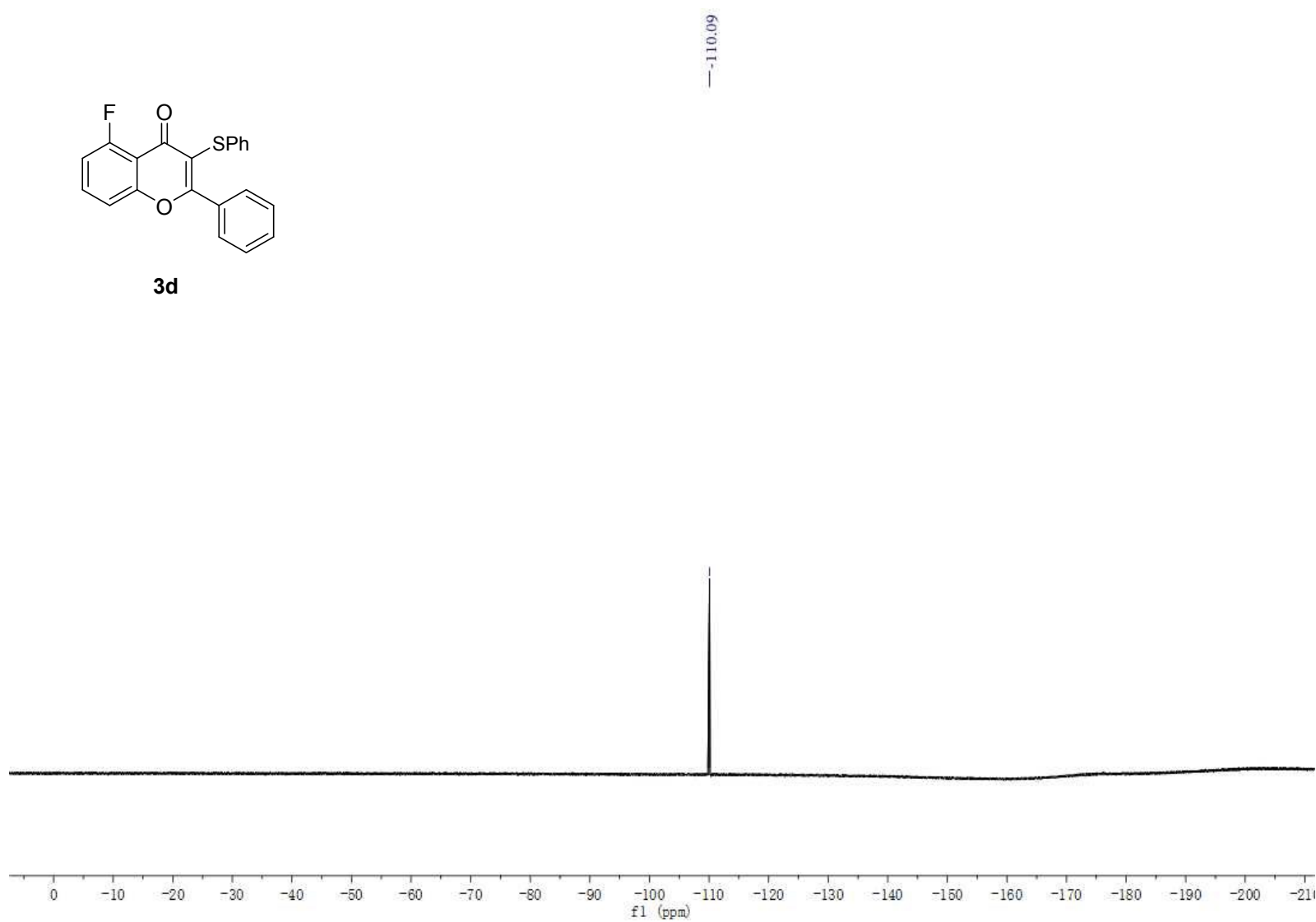


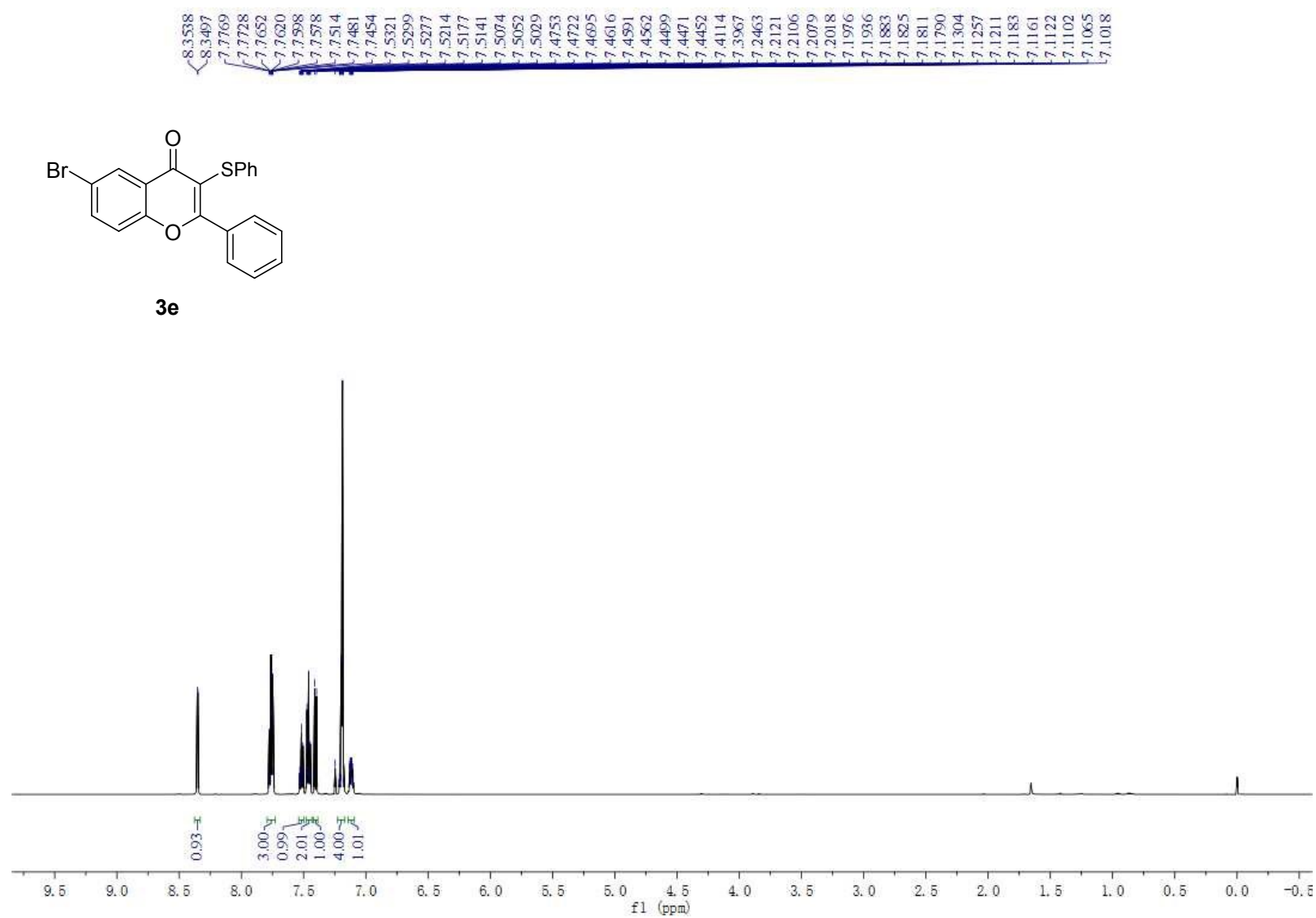
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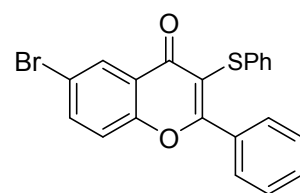




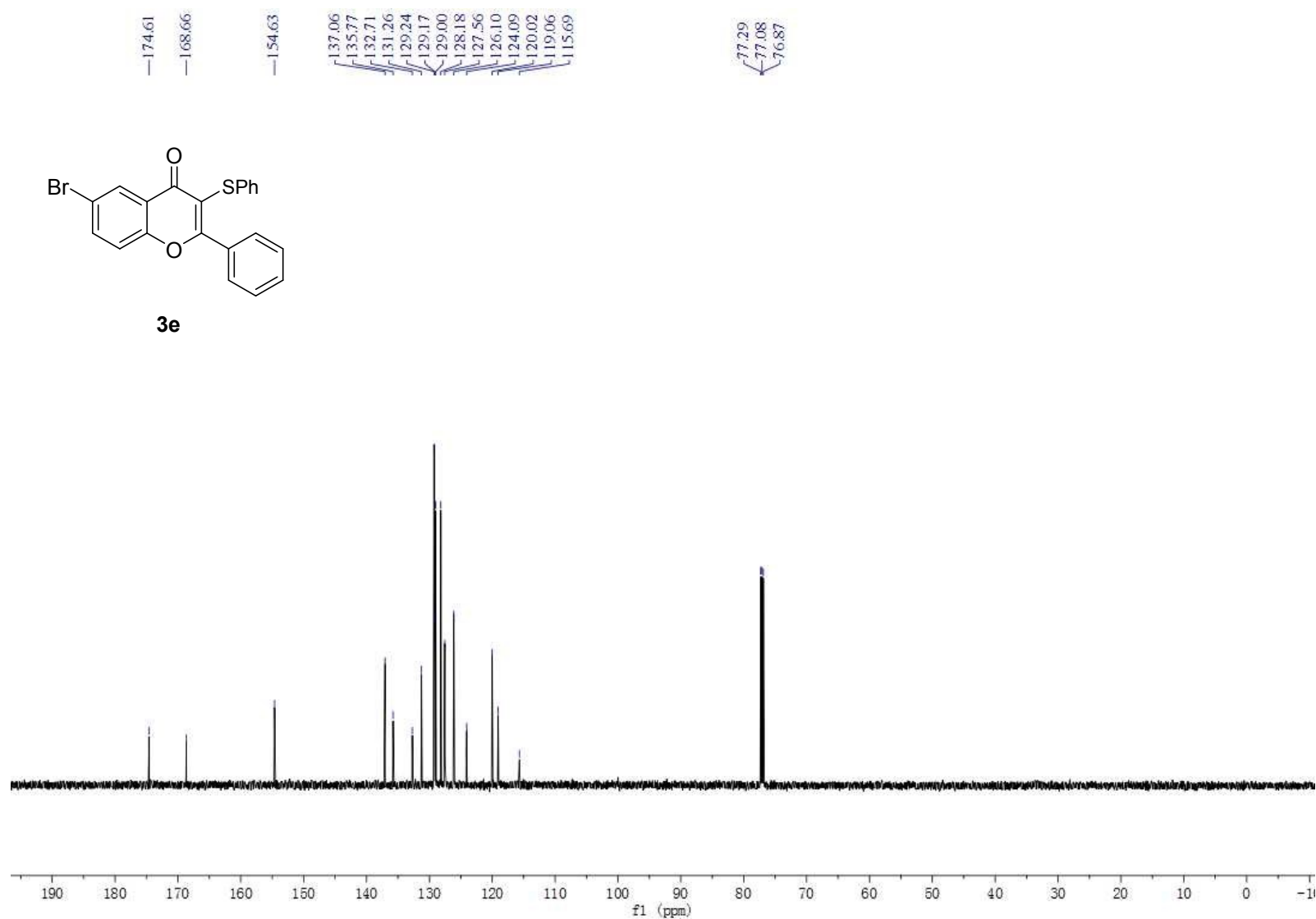
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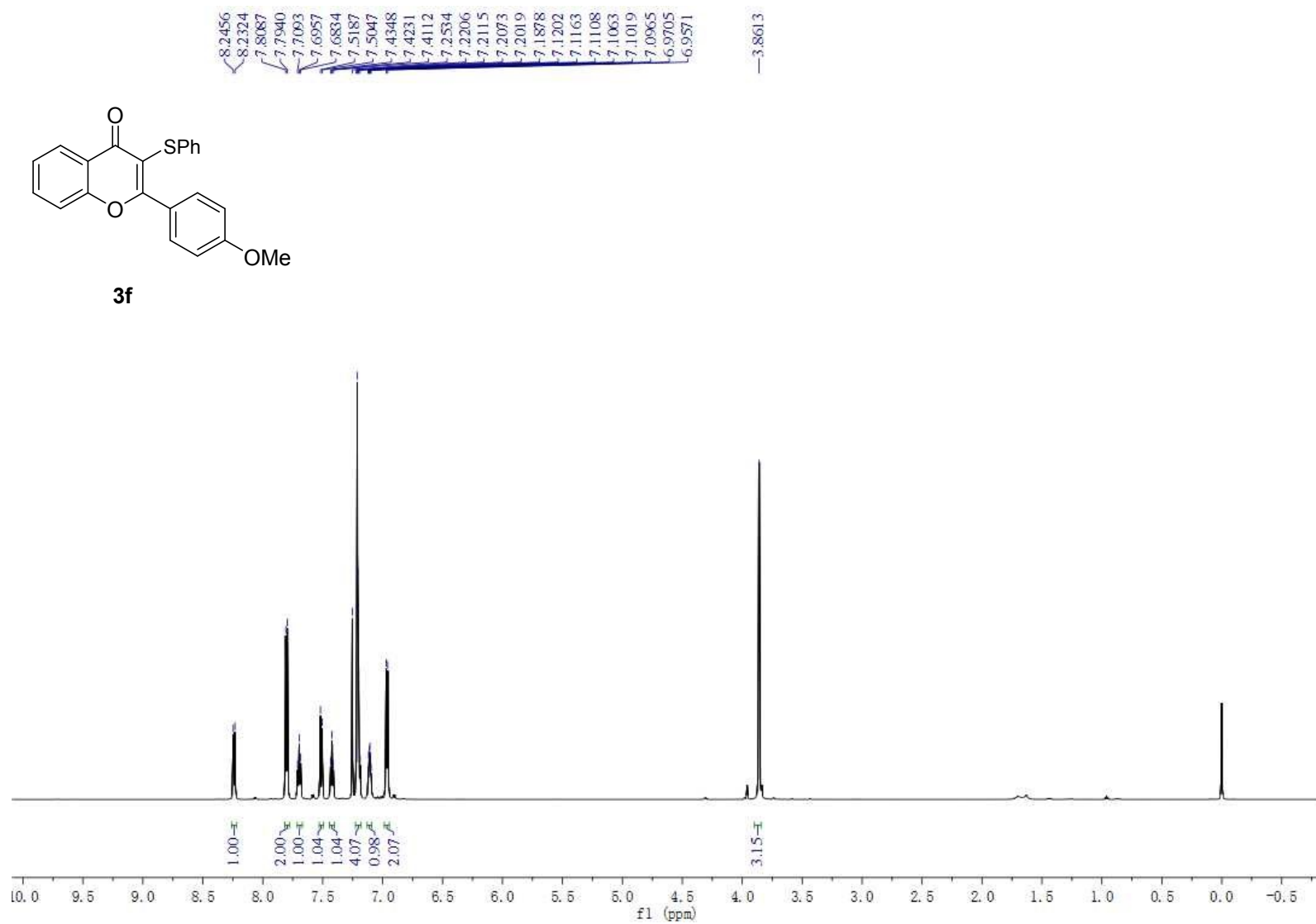


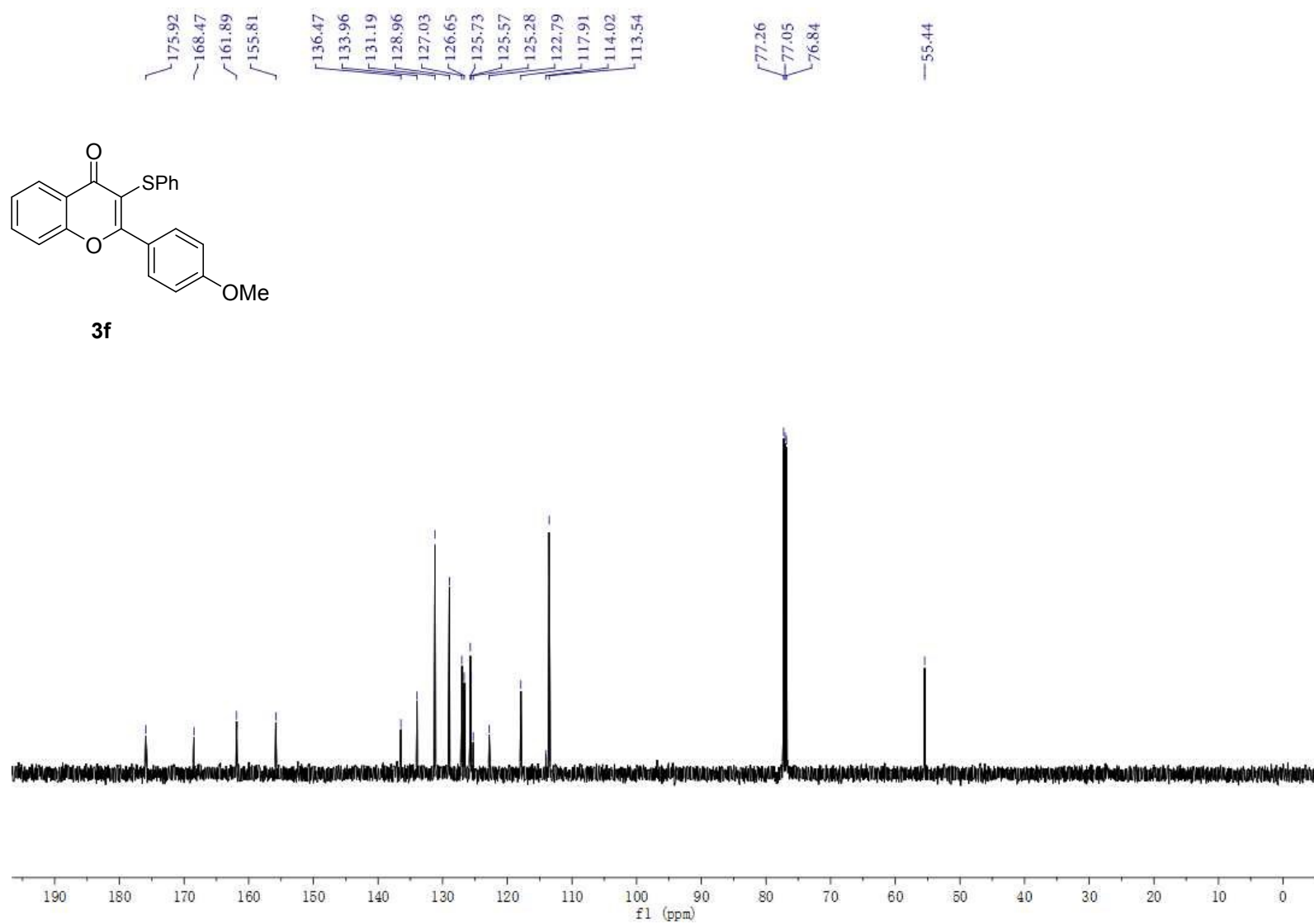


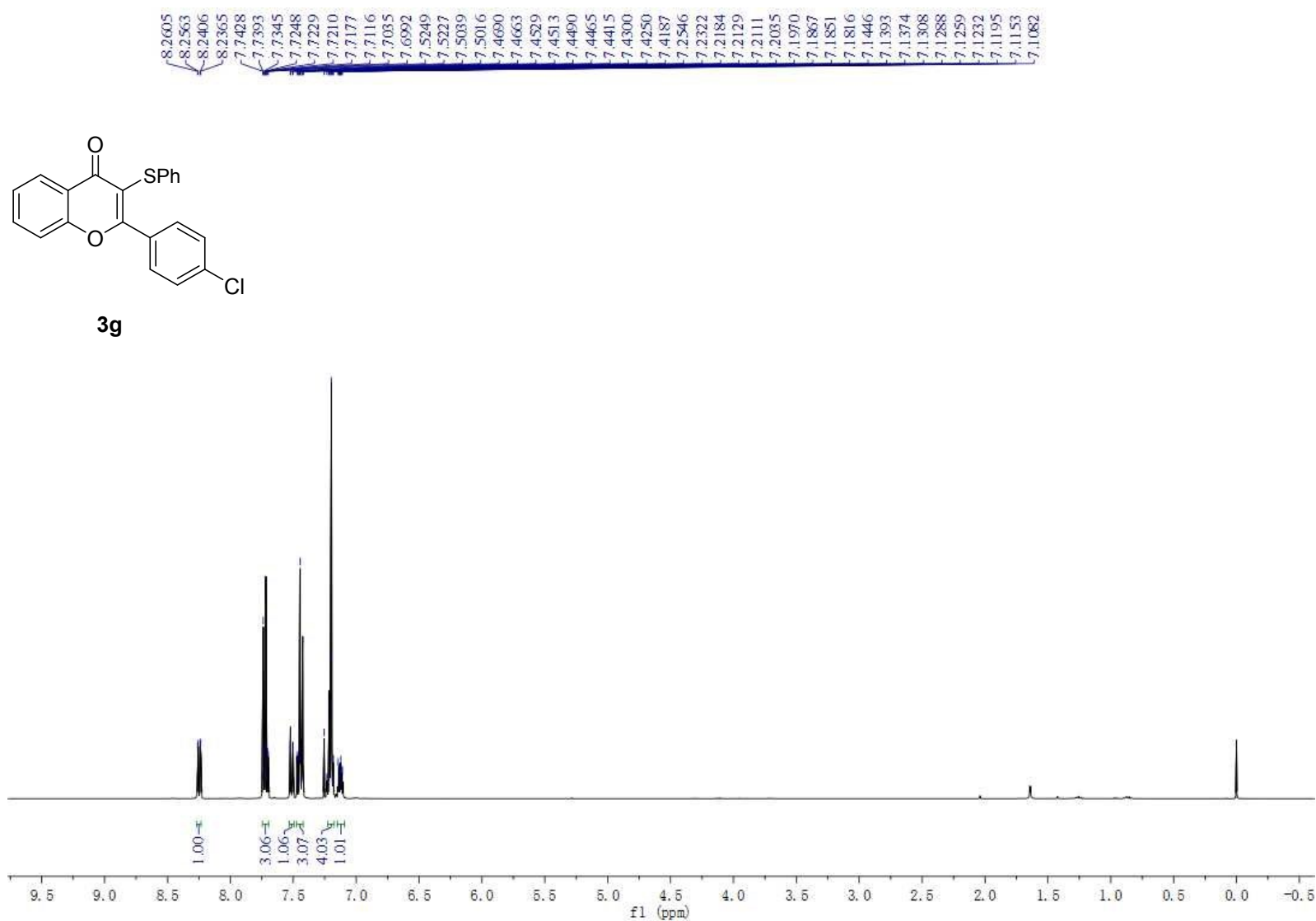


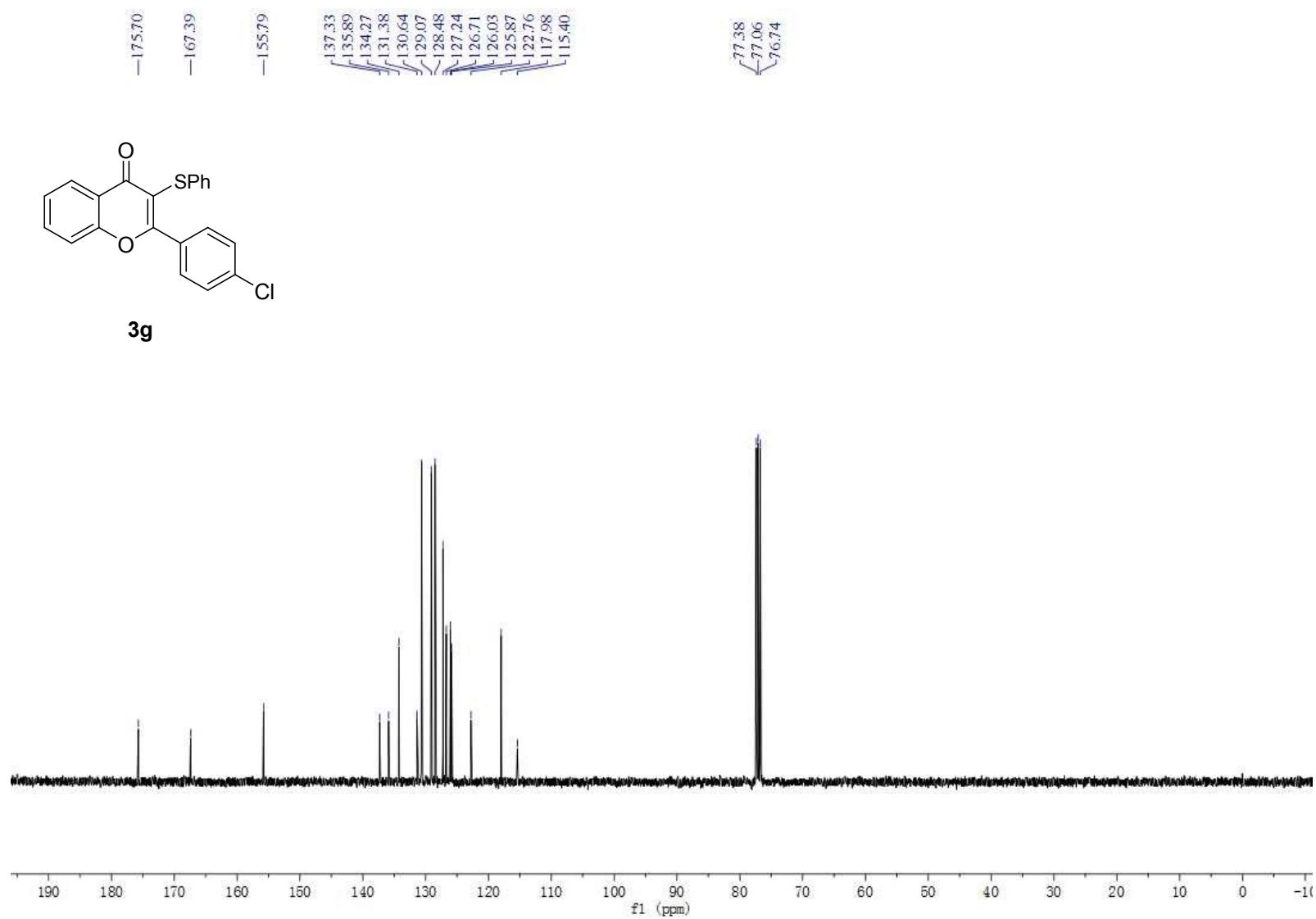
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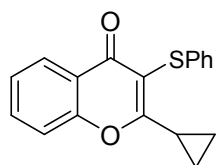




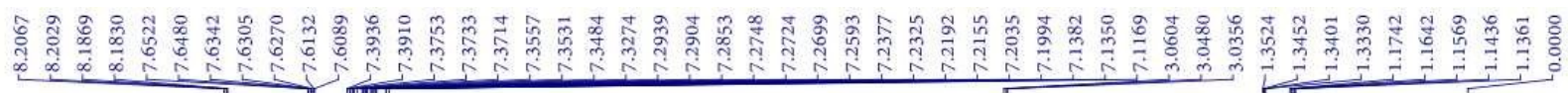
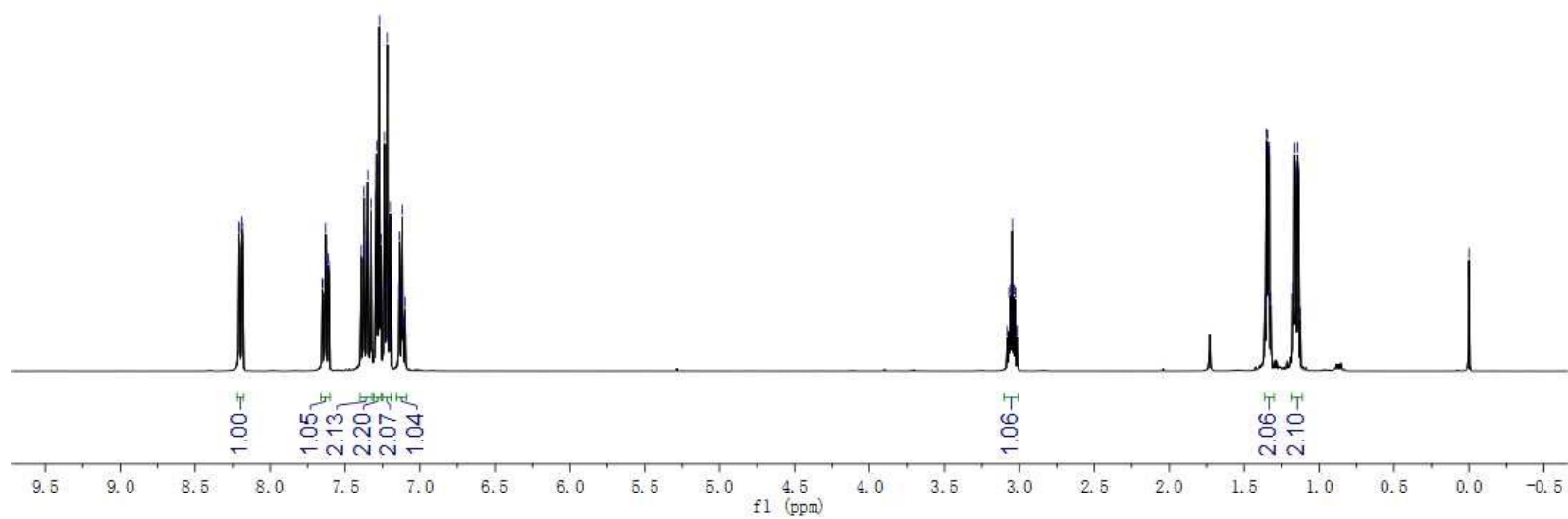


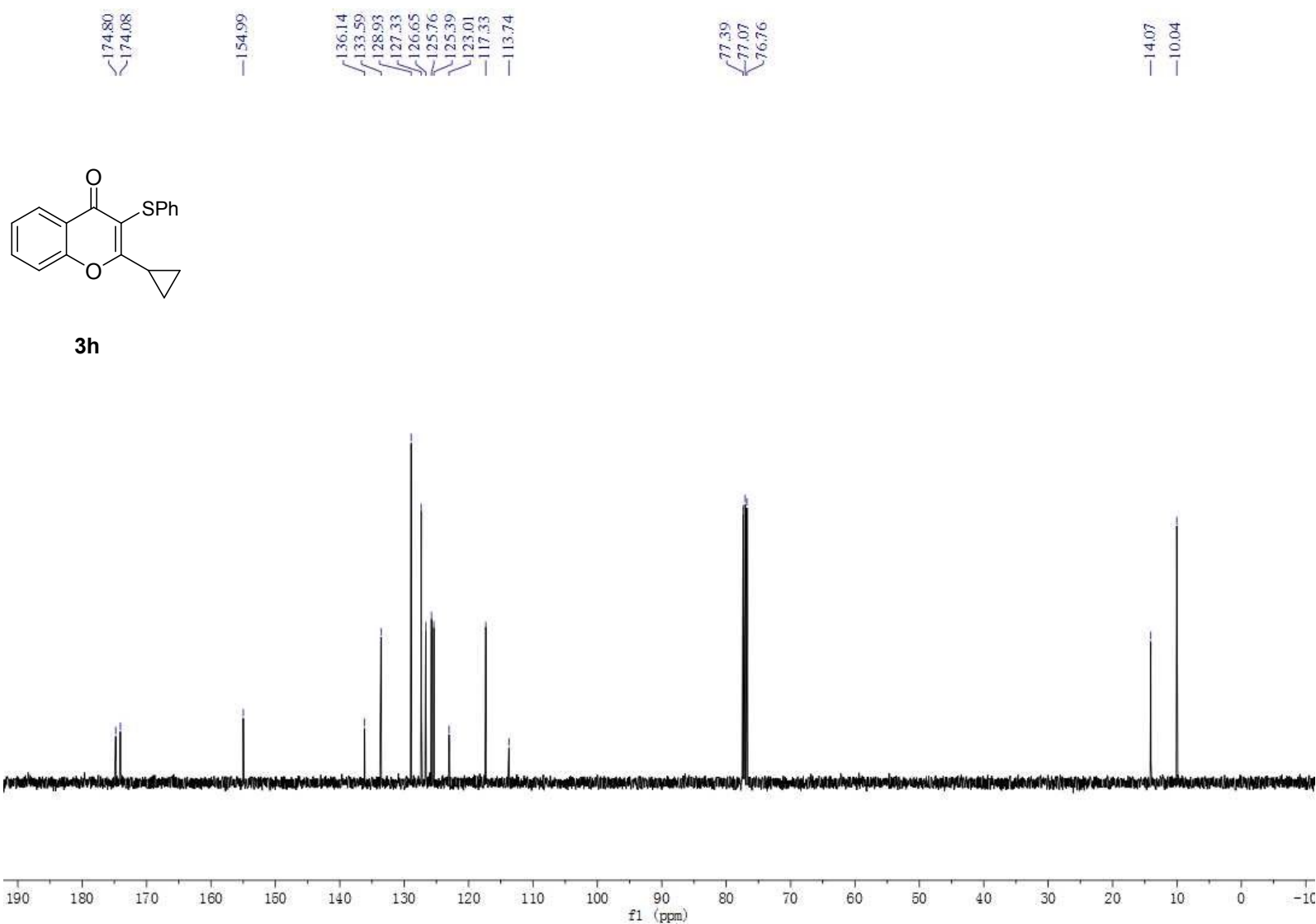


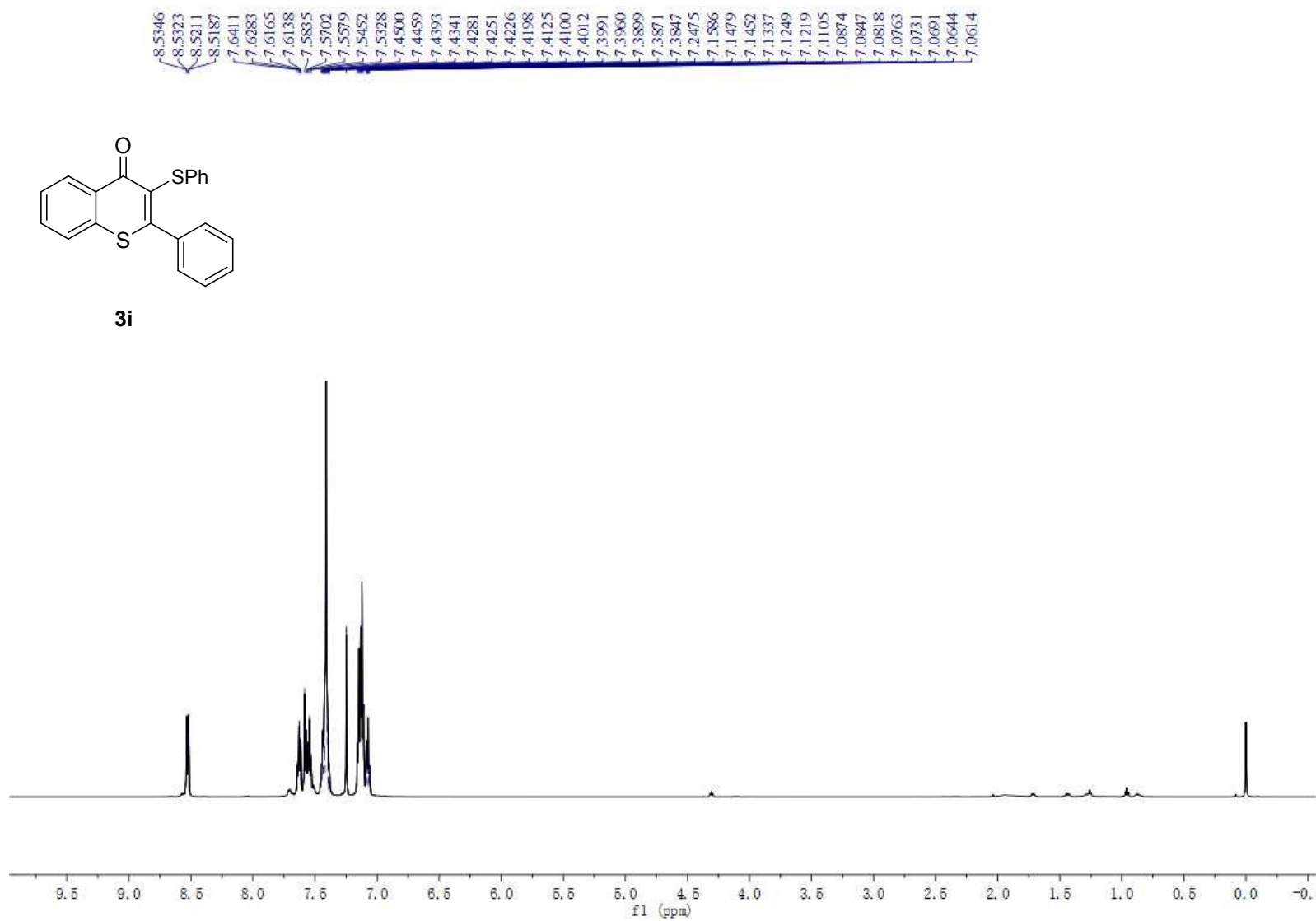


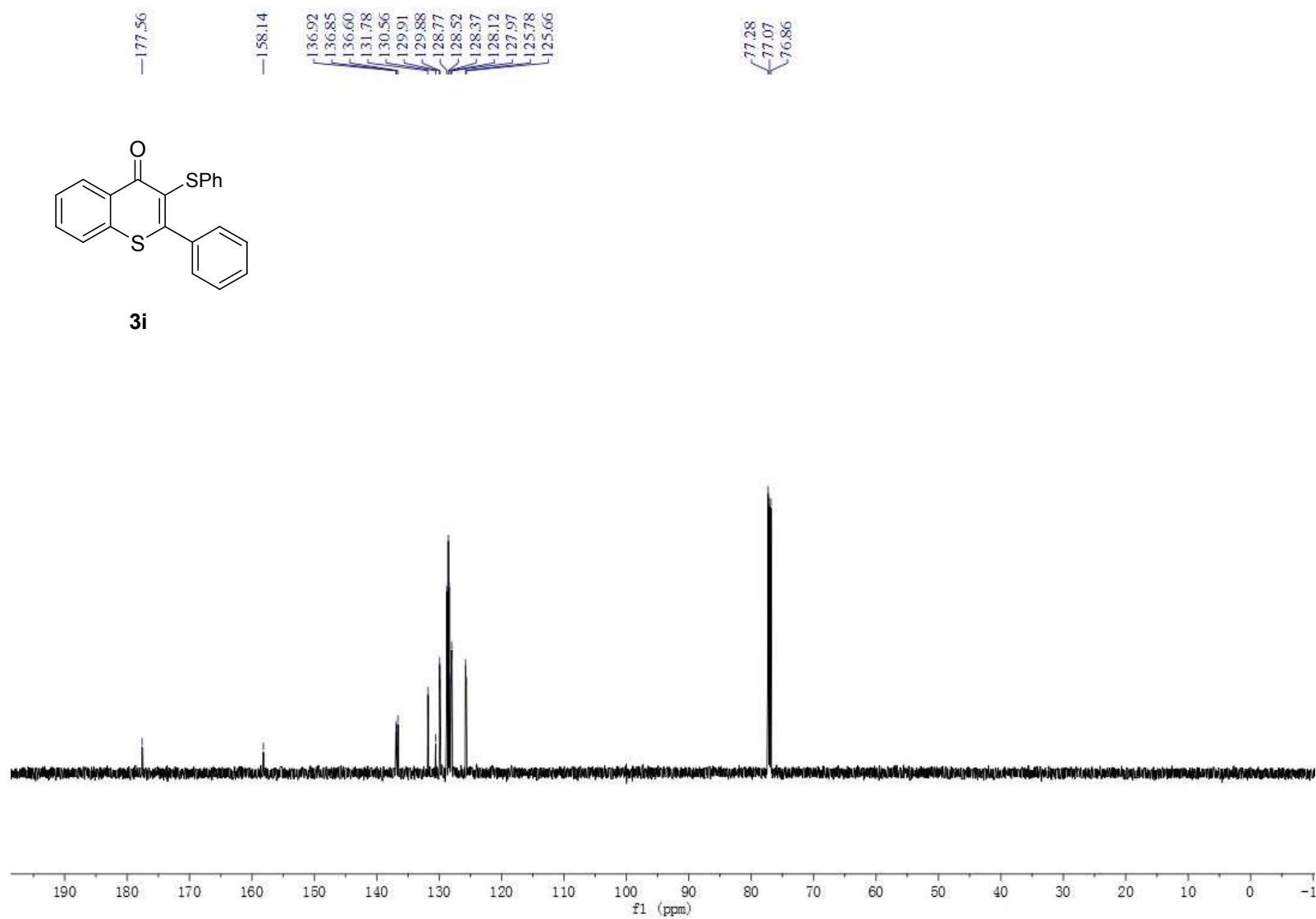


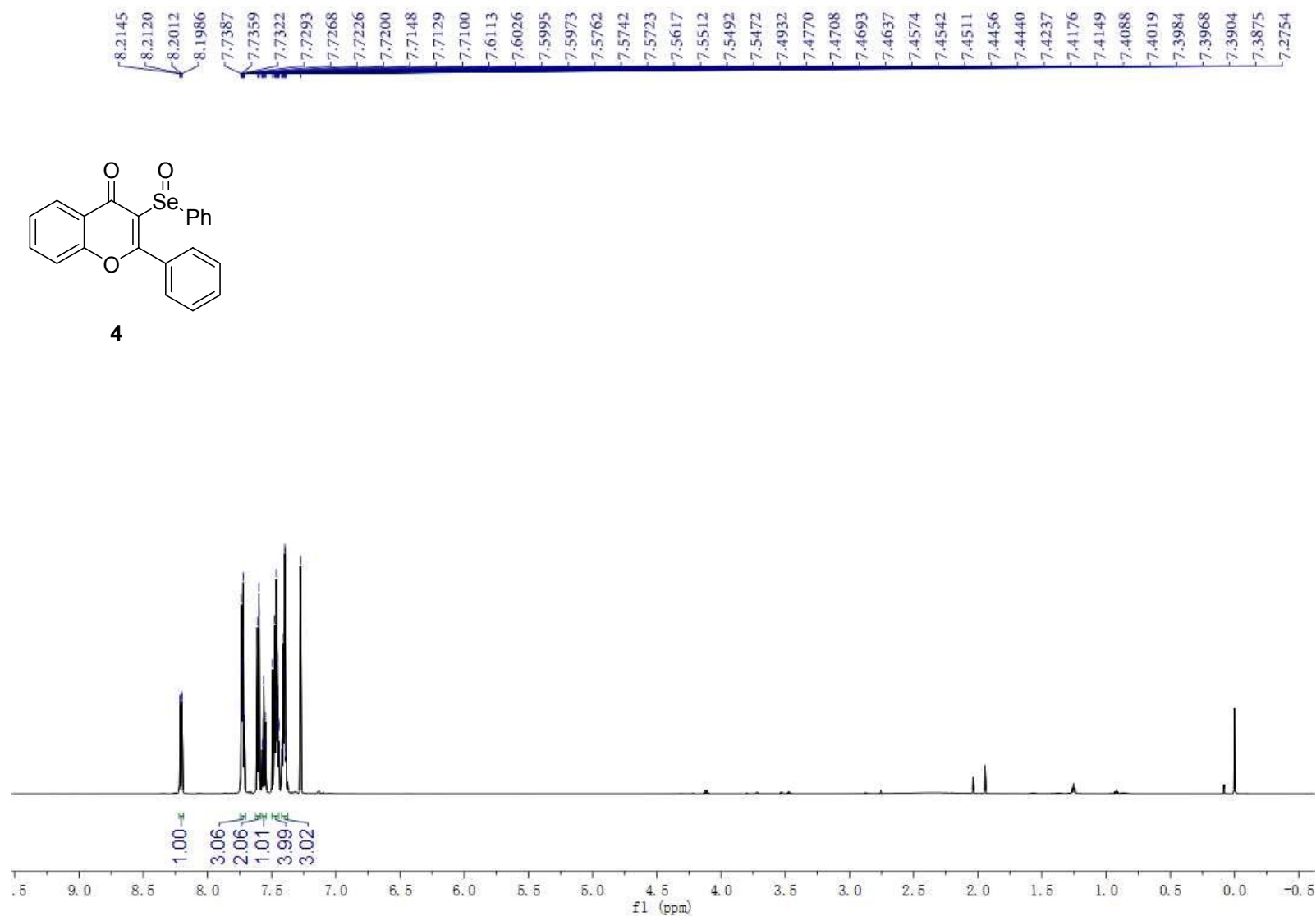
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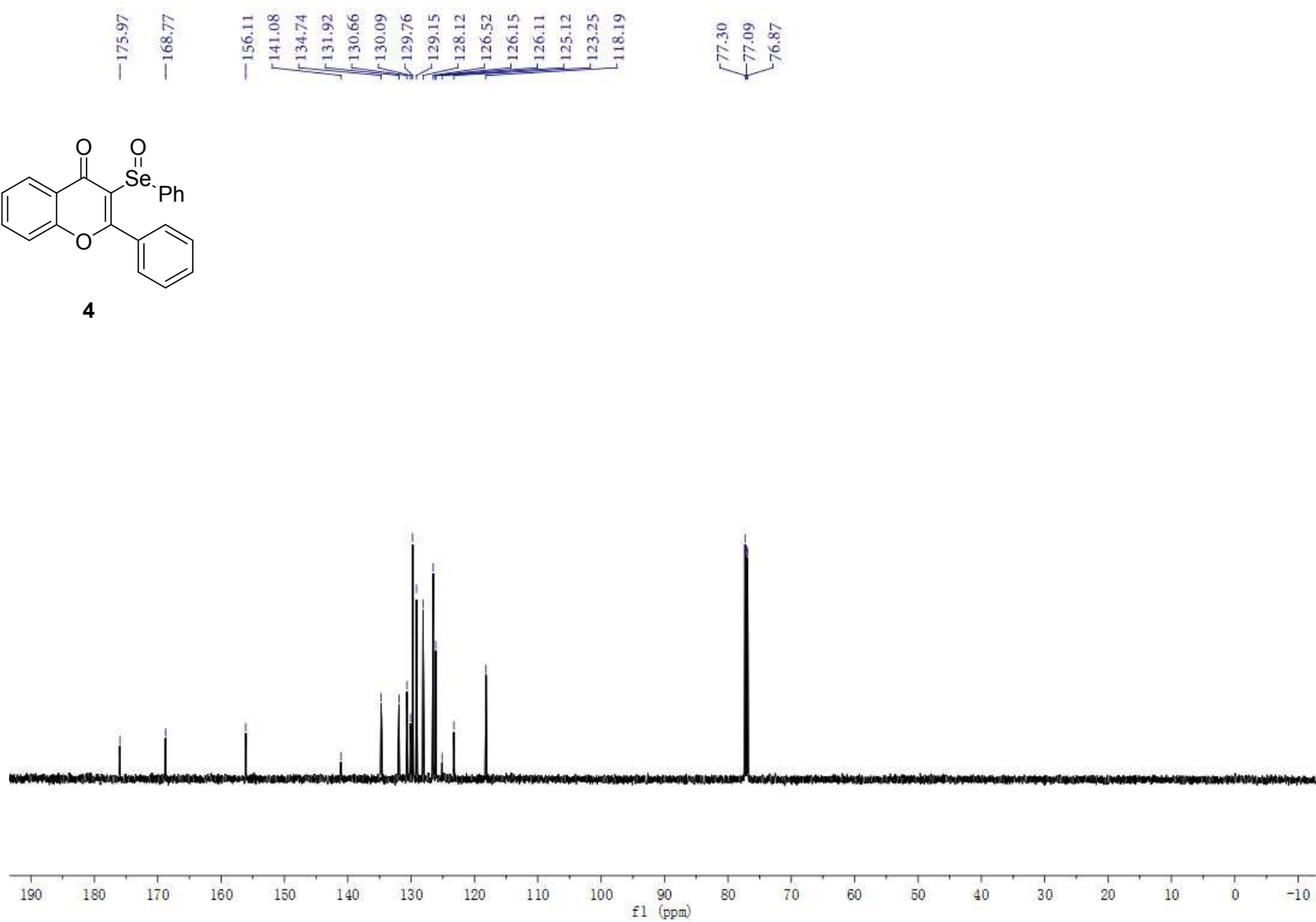
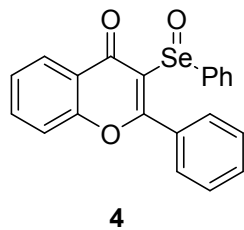


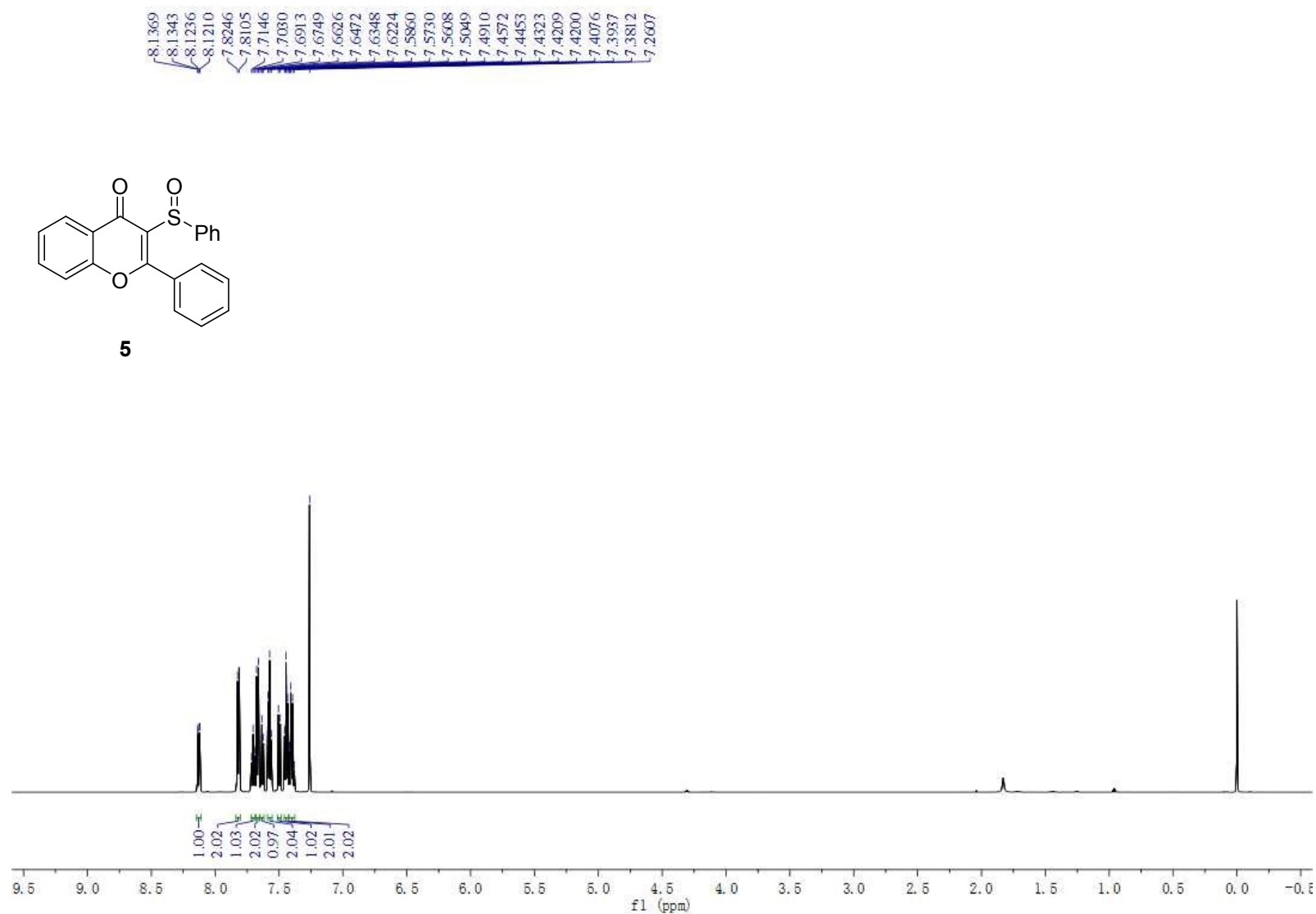


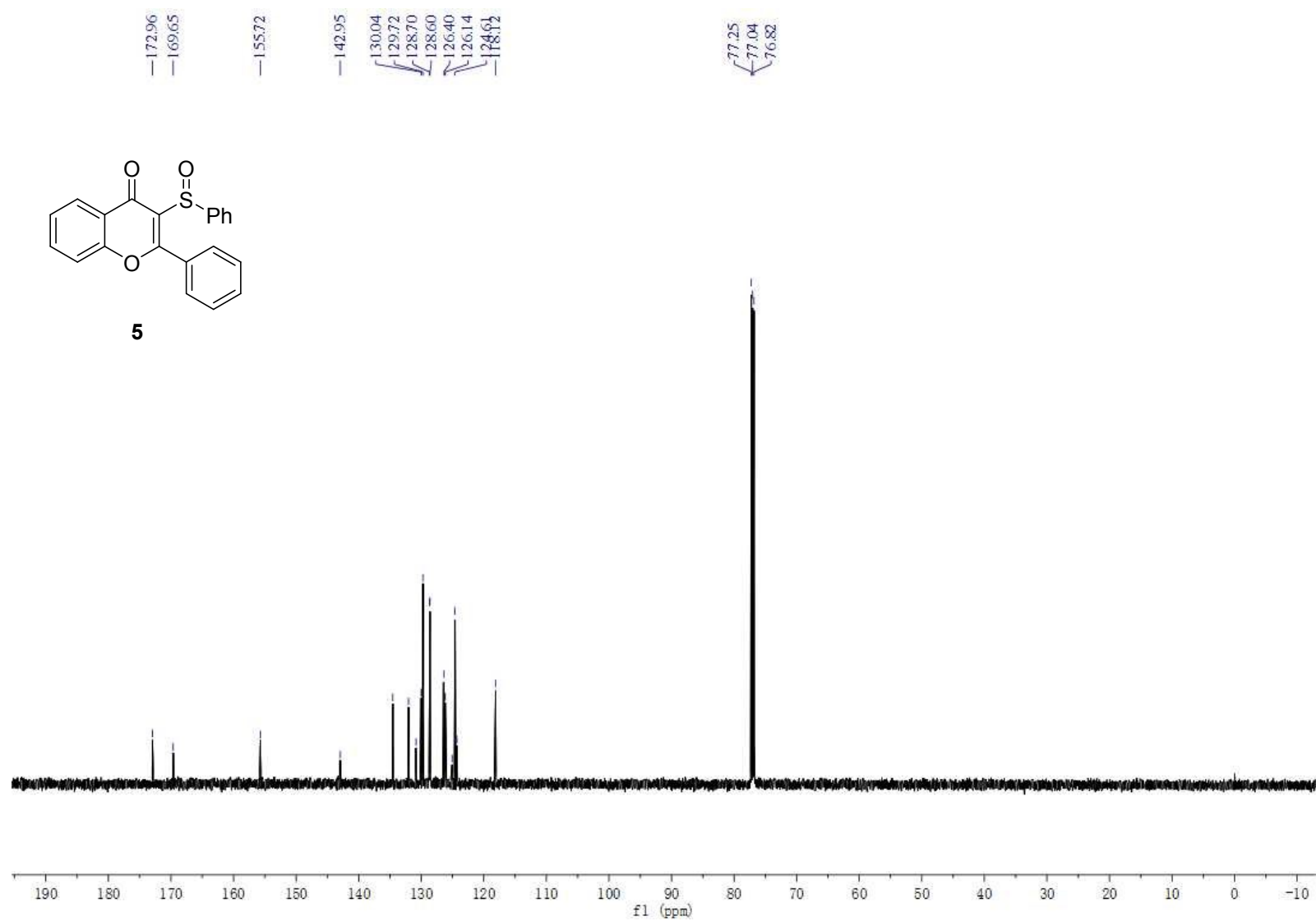


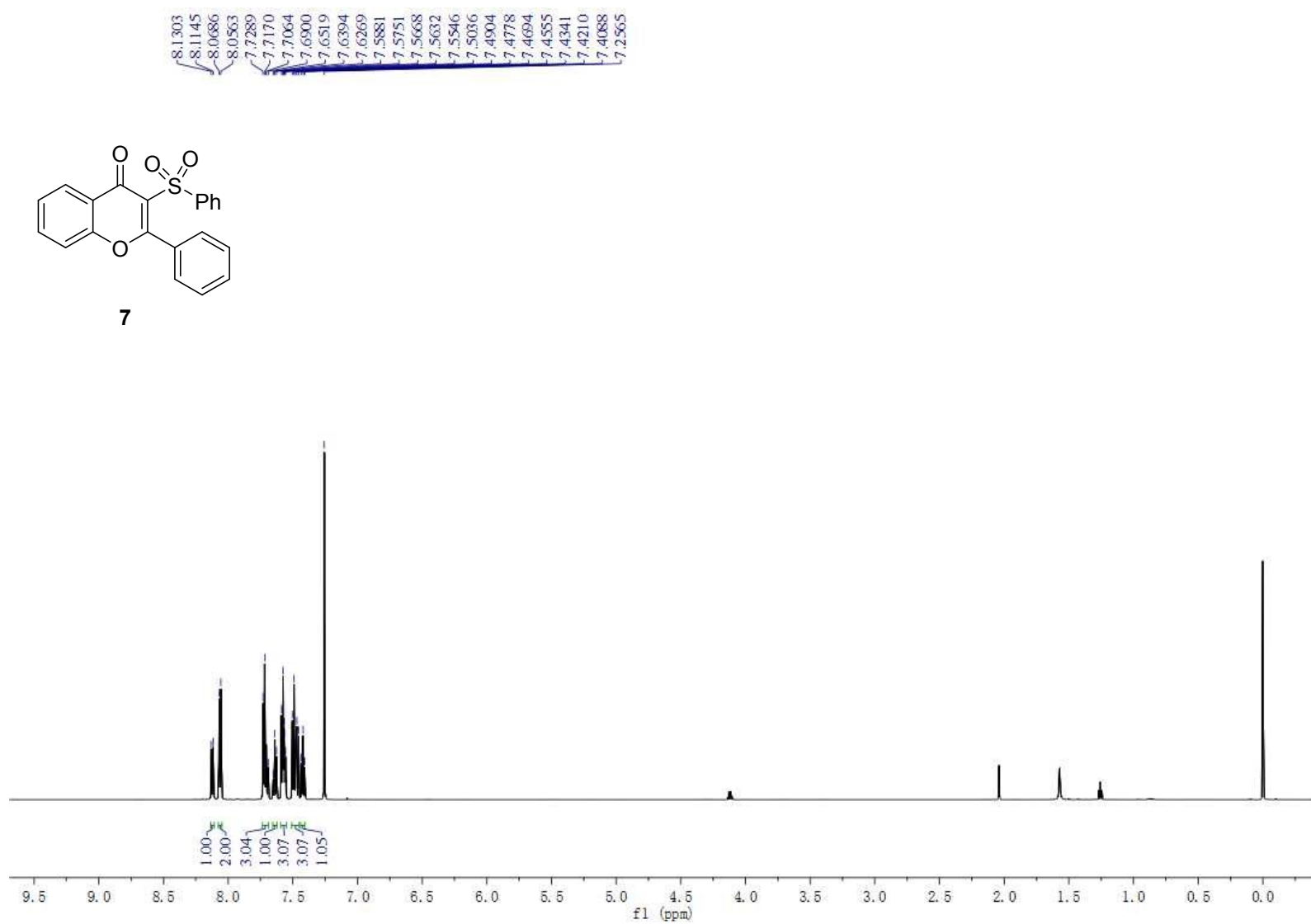


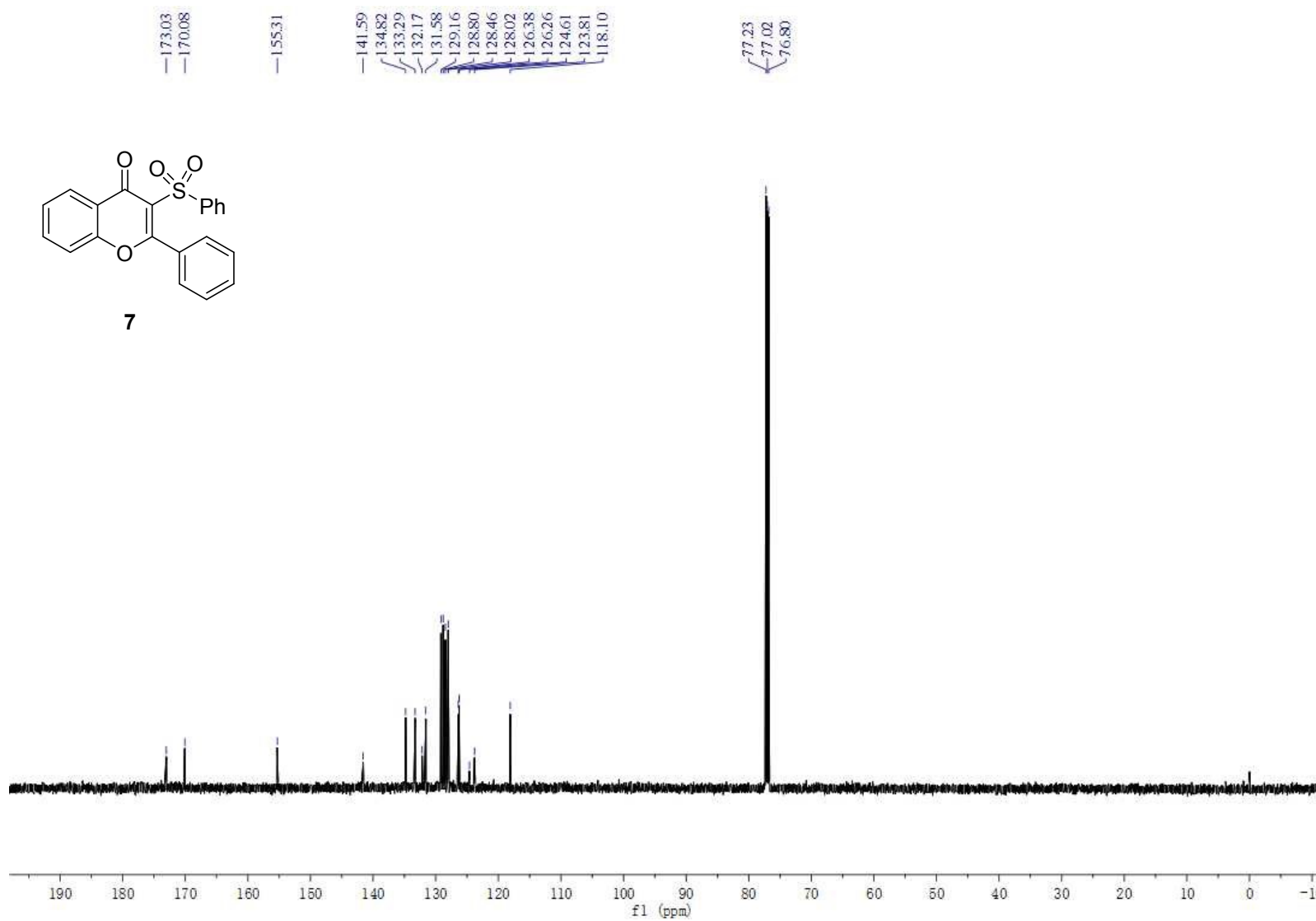


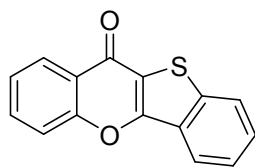
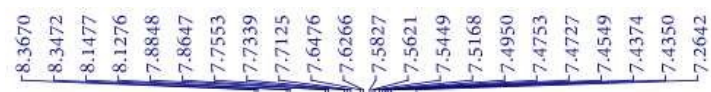












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