

Supporting Information

Palladium(II)-catalyzed three-component tandem reactions: synthesis of multiply substituted quinolines

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1. General Information

Chemicals were received from commercial sources without further purification or prepared by literature methods. Melting points are uncorrected and recorded on Digital Melting Point Apparatus WRS-1B. ^1H NMR and ^{13}C NMR spectra were measured on a 500 MHz Bruker spectrometer, using DMSO- d_6 or CDCl₃ as the solvent with tetramethylsilane (TMS) as the internal standard at room temperature. Chemical shifts are given in δ relative to TMS, the coupling constants J are given in Hz. High-resolution mass spectra were recorded on an ESI-Q-TOF mass spectrometer.

2. Experimental Section

2.1 Optimization of Reaction Conditions

Table S1 Optimization of the ligands.^a

| entry | ligand | yield(%) ^b |
|-------|--------|-----------------------|
| 1 | L1 | 86 |
| 2 | L2 | 84 |
| 3 | L3 | 84 |
| 4 | L4 | 85 |
| 5 | L5 | 50 |

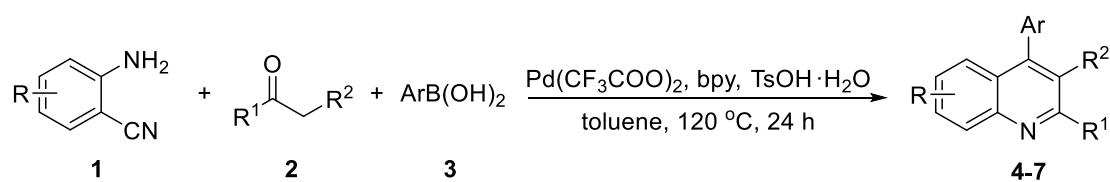
^a Reaction Conditions: 1a (0.2 mmol), 2a (0.2 mmol), 3a (0.24 mmol), Pd(OAc)₂ (10 mol %), ligand (20 mol %), TsOH·H₂O (10 eq), Toluene (2 ml). ^b Isolated yield.

Table S2 Optimization of the Reaction time.^a

| entry | time | yield(%) ^b |
|-------|------|-----------------------|
| 1 | 6 h | 69 |
| 2 | 12 h | 80 |
| 3 | 24 h | 90 |
| 4 | 48 h | 89 |

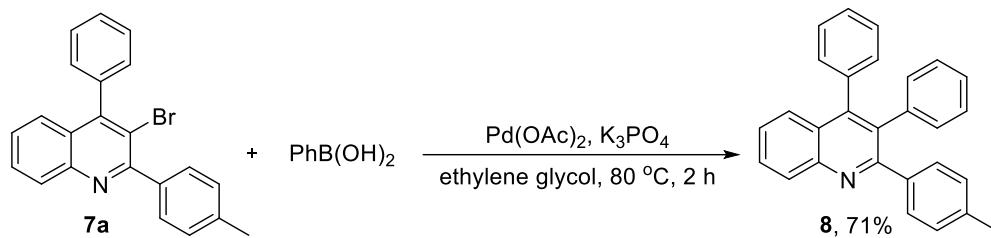
^a Reaction Conditions: 1a (0.2 mmol), 2a (0.2 mmol), 3a (0.24 mmol), Pd(CF₃COO)₂ (10 mol %), ligand (20 mol %), TsOH·H₂O (5.0 eq), Toluene (2 ml), 120 °C. ^b Isolated yield.

2.2 General Procedure for the Synthesis of Quinoline



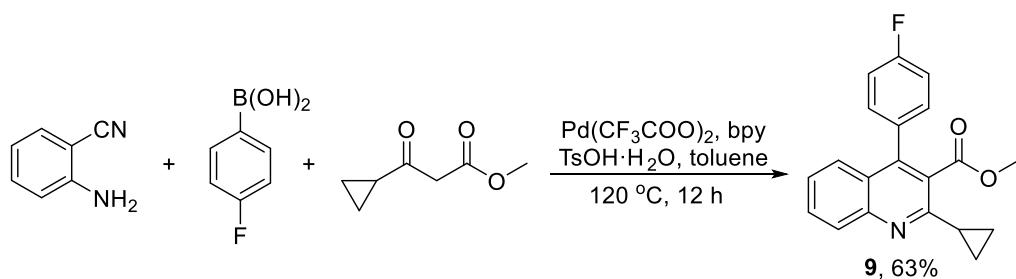
2-aminobenzonitrile (0.2 mmol), ketone (0.2 mmol), arylboronic acid (0.24 mmol), Pd(OAc)₂ (4.6 mg, 0.02 mmol), 2,2'-bpy (12.4 mg, 0.04 mmol), TsOH • H₂O (380.4 mg, 2.0 mmol) and toluene (2.0 mL) were successively added to a Schlenk reaction tube. The reaction mixture was stirred vigorously at 120 °C for 24 hours. After the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature, washed with saturated Na₂CO₃, and extracted with ethyl acetate (3 × 10 ml). The combined organic layers were evaporated under a vacuum. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography with petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (16:1) to afford desired product.

2.3 General Procedure for the Synthesis of 3,4-diphenyl-2-(p-tolyl)quinoline



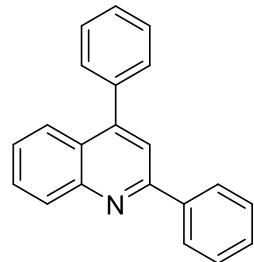
3-bromo-4-phenyl-2-(p-tolyl)quinoline **7a** (0.2 mmol), Pd(OAc)₂ (10 mol %), K₃PO₄ (5.0 equiv.) and phenylboronic acid (1.25 eq) were added to a 10 mL Schlenk reaction tube. Ethylene glycol (3.0 mL) was added and the solution was then purged with N₂ for 15 min. The flask was sealed and heated to 80 °C with stirred for 2 h. Then allowed to cool to rt. The reaction mixture was then diluted with DCM (20 mL) and washed with water (20 mL). The organic layer was separated, dried over Na₂SO₄ and the solvent removed in vacuo to yield an orange solid. Purification by flash chromatography afforded **8**.

2.4 General Procedure for the Synthesis of methyl 2-cyclopropyl-4-(4-fluorophenyl)quinoline-3-carboxylate

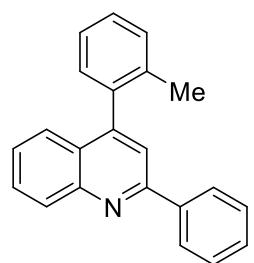


2-aminobenzonitrile (0.2 mmol), methyl 3-cyclopropyl-3-oxopropanoate (0.4 mmol), (4-fluorophenyl)boronic acid (0.24 mmol), Pd(OAc)₂ (0.02 mmol), 2,2'-bpy (0.04 mmol), TsOH • H₂O (0.6 mmol) and toluene (2.0 mL) were successively added to a Schlenk reaction tube. The reaction mixture was stirred vigorously at 120 °C for 12 hours. After the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature, washed with saturated Na₂CO₃, and extracted with ethyl acetate (3 × 10 ml). The combined organic layers were evaporated under a vacuum. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography with petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate (16:1) to afford desired product **9**.

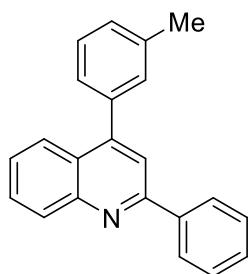
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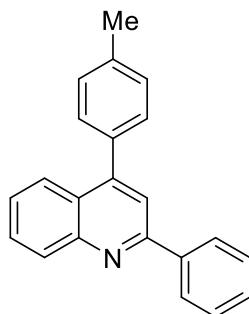
2,4-diphenylquinoline (4a): Pale yellow oil (50.6 mg, 90%) (lit.¹ Oil). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.29 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.24-8.22 (m, 2H), 7.93 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.85 (s, 1H), 7.76 (dd appear t, *J*₁ = 7.5 Hz, *J*₂ = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.59-7.48 (m, 9H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 156.9, 149.2, 148.9, 139.7, 138.5, 130.2, 129.6, 129.5, 129.4, 128.9, 128.6, 128.4, 127.6, 126.4, 125.8, 125.7, 119.4.



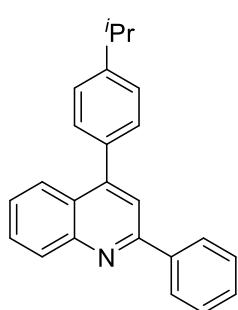
2-phenyl-4-(o-tolyl)quinoline (4b): Pale yellow oil (18.9 mg, 32%) (lit.² Oil). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.28 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.23-8.18 (m, 2H), 7.78 (s, 1H), 7.73 (dd appear t, *J*₁ = 7.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.56-7.47 (m, 4H), 7.45-7.34 (m, 4H), 7.29 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 2.10 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.9, 149.4, 148.4, 139.5, 137.8, 136.2, 130.2, 130.0, 129.7, 129.6, 129.4, 128.9, 128.5, 127.6, 126.4, 126.3, 125.8, 125.7, 119.4, 20.0.



2-phenyl-4-(m-tolyl)quinoline (4c): Pale yellow oil (51.4 mg, 87%) (lit.¹ Oil). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.29 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.23 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.95 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.84 (s, 1H), 7.75 (dd appear t, *J*₁ = 8.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.51-7.44 (m, 3H), 7.41-7.34 (m, 3H), 2.49 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.9, 149.5, 148.8, 139.7, 138.4, 138.3, 130.2, 130.1, 129.5, 129.4, 129.2, 128.9, 128.5, 127.7, 126.7, 126.3, 125.9, 125.8, 119.3, 21.5.

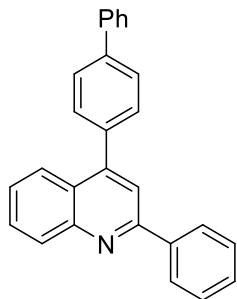


2-phenyl-4-(p-tolyl)quinoline (4d): Pale yellow oil (44.3 mg, 75%) (lit.¹ Oil). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.28 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.23-8.20 (m, 2H), 7.96 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.83 (s, 1H), 7.75 (dd appear t, *J*₁ = 7.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (dd appear t, *J*₁ = 7.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.48-7.49 (m, 4H), 7.38 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 2.50 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.9, 149.3, 148.8, 139.7, 138.4, 135.5, 130.1, 129.5, 129.3, 128.9, 127.7, 126.3, 125.9, 125.8, 119.4, 21.3.

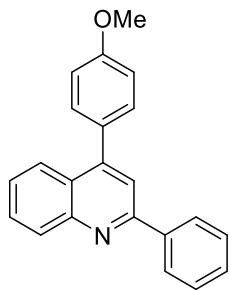


4-(4-isopropylphenyl)-2-phenylquinoline (4e): Pale yellow oil (45.9 mg, 71%) (lit.³ Gum). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.28 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.22 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz,

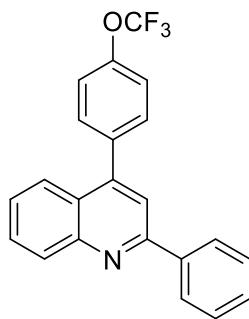
2H), 7.99 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.85 (s, 1H), 7.75 (dd appear t, $J_1 = 8.5$ Hz, $J_2 = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.56-7.47 (m, 6H), 7.43 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 3.09-3.03 (m, 1H), 1.38 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 6H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 156.9, 149.3, 149.2, 148.9, 139.8, 135.9, 130.1, 129.6, 129.5, 129.3, 128.9, 127.7, 126.7, 126.3, 126.0, 125.8, 119.4, 34.0, 24.1.



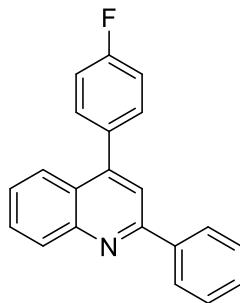
4-(Biphenyl-4-yl)-2-phenylquinoline (4f): Pale yellow solid (48.6 mg, 68%), mp 106-108 °C (lit.¹ 108-109 °C). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.32 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 8.25 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 2H), 8.02 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.89 (s, 1H), 7.81-7.76 (m, 3H), 7.73 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.66 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.58-7.49 (m, 6H), 7.43 (dd appear t, $J_1 = 7.5$ Hz, $J_2 = 7.5$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 157.0, 148.9, 148.8, 141.4, 140.5, 139.7, 137.4, 130.2, 130.1, 129.6, 129.4, 129.0, 128.9, 127.7, 127.6, 127.4, 127.2, 126.5, 125.8, 125.7, 119.4.



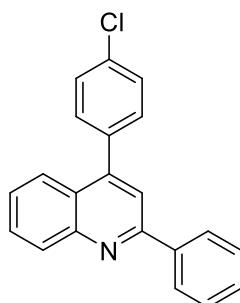
4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-phenylquinoline (4g): Pale yellow oil (52.2 mg, 43%) (lit.¹ Oil). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.27 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 8.21-8.17 (m, 2H), 7.96 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.80 (s, 1H), 7.74 (dd appear t, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.55-7.47 (m, 6H), 7.09 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 2H), 3.92 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 160.0, 156.9, 149.1, 148.7, 139.6, 130.8, 130.7, 130.0, 129.5, 129.4, 128.8, 127.7, 126.3, 126.0, 125.7, 119.4, 114.1, 55.4.



2-phenyl-4-(4-(trifluoromethoxy)phenyl)quinoline (4h): Pale yellow oil (35.8 mg, 49%). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.27 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 8.20 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.85 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.81 (s, 1H), 7.76 (dd appear t, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.60 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.56-7.47 (m, 4H), 7.42 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 156.9, 149.4, 148.8, 147.7, 139.4, 137.1, 131.1, 130.3, 129.8, 129.5, 128.9, 127.6, 126.7, 125.6, 125.2, 121.1, 120.6 (d, $J = 255.0$ Hz), 119.4. HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{15}\text{F}_3\text{NO} [\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 366.1100, found 366.1107

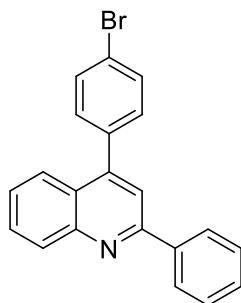


4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-phenylquinoline (4i): Pale yellow oil (35.3 mg, 59%) (lit.¹ Oil). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.28 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 8.20 (d, $J = 7$ Hz, 2H), 7.87 (d, $J = 8$ Hz, 1H), 7.80 (s, 1H), 7.75 (dd appear t, $J_1 = 8.5$ Hz, $J_2 = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.56-7.46 (m, 6H), 7.28-7.23 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 163.0 (d, $J = 247.5$ Hz), 162.0, 156.9, 148.8, 148.2, 139.5, 134.4 (d, $J = 3.8$ Hz), 131.3 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz), 130.2, 129.7, 129.5, 128.9, 127.6, 126.5, 125.8, 125.4, 119.4, 115.7 (d, $J = 21.3$ Hz).



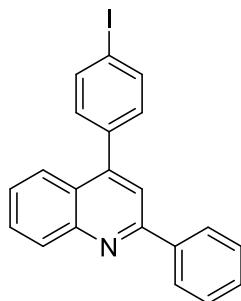
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¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.27 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.20 (d, *J* = 7 Hz, 2H), 7.85 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.79 (s, 1H), 7.75 (dd appear t, *J*₁ = 8.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.56-7.47 (m, 8H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.9, 148.8, 147.9, 139.5, 136.8, 134.7, 130.9, 130.2, 129.7, 129.5, 128.9, 127.6, 126.6, 125.6, 125.3, 119.3.

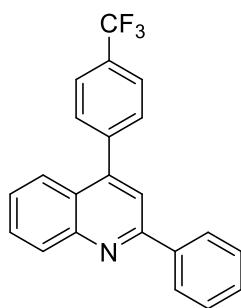


4-(4-bromophenyl)-2-phenylquinoline (4k): Pale yellow oil (45.4 mg, 63%) (lit.¹ Oil).

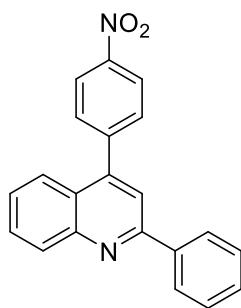
¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.27 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.19 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.85 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.78 (s, 1H), 7.77-7.73 (m, 1H), 7.69 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.56-7.43 (m, 6H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.9, 148.8, 148.0, 139.4, 137.3, 131.9, 131.2, 130.2, 129.7, 129.5, 128.9, 127.6, 126.6, 125.5, 125.3, 122.9, 119.2.



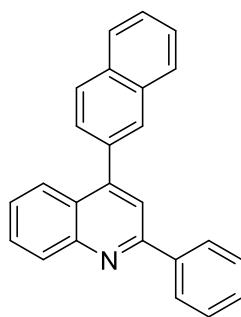
4-(4-iodophenyl)-2-phenylquinoline (4l): Pale yellow oil (50.5 mg, 62%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.27 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.20-8.17 (m, 2H), 7.89 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.85 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.78 (s, 1H), 7.75 (dd appear t, *J*₁ = 8.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (dd appear t, *J*₁ = 7.5 Hz, *J*₂ = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.51-7.46 (m, 2H), 7.30 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.9, 148.8, 148.1, 139.4, 137.9, 137.8, 131.4, 130.2, 129.8, 129.5, 128.9, 127.6, 126.6, 125.4, 125.3, 119.2, 94.5. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₂₁H₁₅IN [M+H]⁺: 408.0244, found 408.0243



2-phenyl-4-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)quinoline (4m): Pale yellow solid (32.1 mg, 46%), mp 122-124 °C (lit.¹ Oil). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.30 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.20 (d, *J* = 7 Hz, 2H), 7.84-7.76 (m, 5H), 7.69 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.56-7.47 (m, 4H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.9, 148.7, 147.7, 142.1, 139.3, 130.7 (d, *J* = 32.5 Hz), 130.3, 130.0, 129.9, 129.6, 128.9, 127.6, 126.8, 125.6 (q, *J* = 3.2 Hz), 125.3, 125.1, 124.1 (d, *J* = 270.0 Hz), 119.3.

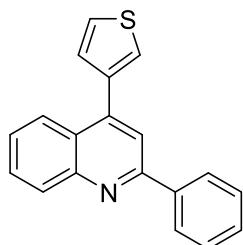


4-(4-nitrophenyl)-2-phenylquinoline (4n): Yellow solid (14.4 mg, 22%), mp 162-163 °C (lit.¹ 162-163 °C). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.43 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 8.32 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.20 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.82-7.74 (m, 5H), 7.57-7.48 (m, 4H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.8, 148.6, 148.0, 146.9, 145.0, 138.9, 130.6, 130.3, 130.2, 129.8, 129.0, 127.6, 127.1, 125.0, 124.8, 123.9, 119.2.

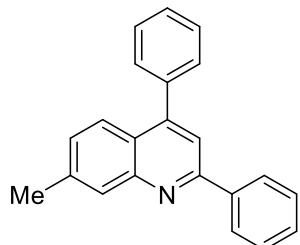


4-(naphthalen-2-yl)-2-phenylquinoline (4o): Pale yellow oil (45.7 mg, 69%) (lit.⁴ Oil). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.33 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.25 (d, *J* = 7 Hz, 2H), 8.05-8.01 (m, 2H), 7.98-7.94 (m, 4H), 7.77 (dd appear t, *J*₁ = 7.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 7.0 Hz, 1H),

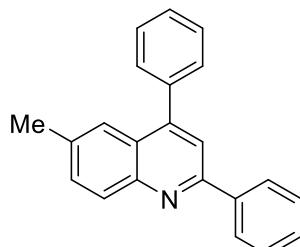
7.70-7.68 (m, 1H), 7.60-7.55 (m, 4H), 7.51-7.47 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 156.9, 149.2, 148.9, 139.7, 135.9, 133.3, 133.1, 130.2, 129.6, 129.4, 128.9, 128.8, 128.3, 128.2, 127.9, 127.7, 127.4, 126.7, 126.5, 126.0, 125.8, 119.7.



2-phenyl-4-(thiophen-3-yl)quinoline (4p): Yellow oil (13.2 mg, 23%) (lit.⁵ Oil). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.27 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 8.20 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 8.07 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.87 (s, 1H), 7.75 (dd appear t, $J_1 = 7.5$ Hz, $J_2 = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.58-7.47 (m, 6H), 7.40 (d, $J = 5.0$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 157.0, 148.8, 144.1, 139.5, 138.9, 130.1, 129.7, 129.4, 128.9, 128.9, 127.6, 126.5, 126.3, 125.8, 125.5, 125.0, 119.2.

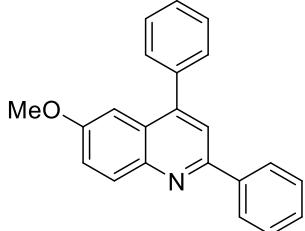


7-methyl-2,4-diphenylquinoline (5a): Pale yellow oil (42.5 mg, 72%) (lit.⁶ Oil). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.21 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 2H), 8.08 (s, 1H), 7.82 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.78 (s, 1H), 7.58-7.46 (m, 8H), 7.33 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 2.60 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 156.9, 149.1, 149.0, 139.8, 138.6, 129.6, 129.3, 129.2, 128.8, 128.6, 128.4, 127.6, 125.4, 123.8, 118.6, 21.8.

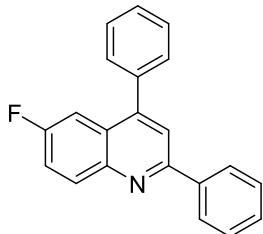


6-methyl-2,4-diphenylquinoline (5b): Pale yellow oil (44.3 mg, 75%) (lit.⁶ Oil). ^1H

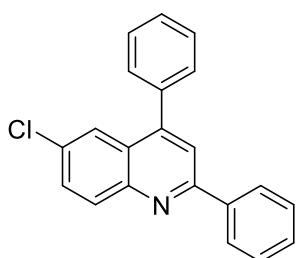
¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.21-8.17 (m, 3H), 7.80 (s, 1H), 7.68 (s, 1H), 7.60-7.52 (m, 8H), 7.47 (dd appear t, *J*₁ = 7.5 Hz, *J*₂ = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 2.49 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.0, 148.5, 147.4, 139.8, 138.7, 136.3, 131.8, 129.9, 129.6, 129.2, 128.8, 128.6, 128.3, 127.5, 125.8, 124.4, 119.4, 21.8.



6-methoxy-2,4-diphenylquinoline (5c): Colorless oil (40.5 mg, 65%) (lit.⁶ Oil). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.19-8.17 (m, 3H), 7.79 (s, 1H), 7.60-7.51 (m, 7H), 7.46 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.42-7.40 (m, 1H), 7.21 (d, *J* = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 3.80 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.9, 154.6, 147.9, 144.9, 139.7, 138.8, 131.6, 129.4, 129.0, 128.8, 128.7, 128.4, 127.4, 126.7, 121.8, 119.7, 103.8, 55.5.

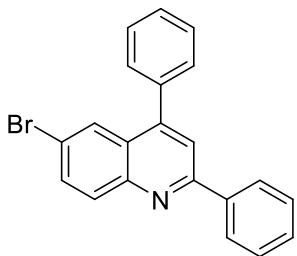


6-fluoro-2,4-diphenylquinoline (5d): Pale yellow oil (46.1 mg, 77%) (lit.⁶ Oil). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.28-8.25 (m, 1H), 8.20-8.19 (m, 2H), 7.85 (s, 1H), 7.59-7.47 (m, 10H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 160.6 (d, *J* = 245.0 Hz), 156.3, 148.7, 145.9, 139.3, 138.0, 132.6 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz), 129.5, 129.4, 128.8, 128.7 (d, *J* = 27.5 Hz), 127.5, 126.6 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz), 119.9, 119.7 (d, *J* = 25.0 Hz), 109.2, 109.0.

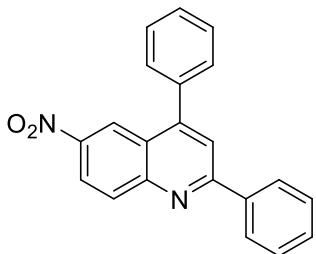


6-chloro-2,4-diphenylquinoline (5e): Pale yellow solid (53.1 mg, 84%), mp 124-126 °C (lit.⁷ 127-128 °C). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.21-8.18 (m, 3H), 7.89 (d, *J* = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 7.85 (s, 1H), 7.68-7.66 (m, 1H), 7.59-7.47 (m, 8H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz,

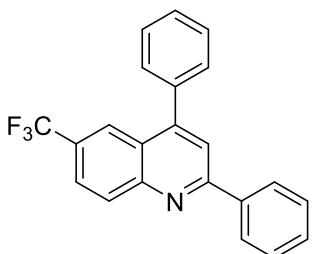
CDCl_3) δ 157.1, 148.5, 147.2, 139.2, 137.8, 132.3, 131.7, 130.5, 129.6, 129.5, 128.9, 128.8, 128.7, 127.6, 126.5, 124.5, 120.0.



6-bromo-2,4-diphenylquinoline (5f): Pale yellow solid (57.6 mg, 80%), mp 153-155 °C (lit.⁷ 154-155 °C). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.19 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 2H), 8.12 (d, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 1H), 8.04 (s, 1H), 7.84-7.79 (m, 2H), 7.59-7.47 (m, 8H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 157.2, 148.5, 147.4, 139.1, 137.7, 133.1, 131.8, 129.7, 129.5, 128.9, 128.8, 128.7, 127.8, 127.6, 127.0, 120.5, 120.1.

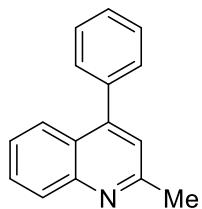


6-nitro-2,4-diphenylquinoline (5g): White solid (54.8 mg, 84%), mp 238-241 °C (lit.⁸ 265-266). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.85 (d, $J = 2.5$ Hz, 1H), 8.49-8.47 (m, 1H), 8.35 (d, $J = 9.5$ Hz, 1H), 8.25-8.24 (m, 2H), 7.97 (s, 1H), 7.64-7.51 (m, 8H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 160.0, 151.3, 151.0, 145.5, 138.4, 136.9, 131.7, 130.5, 129.5, 129.4, 129.1, 129.0, 127.9, 124.8, 123.1, 122.9, 120.7.

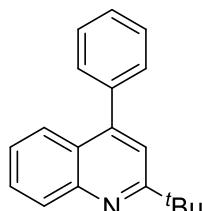


2,4-diphenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)quinoline (5h): White solid (48.9 mg, 70%), mp 150-151 °C (lit.⁹ 148-150 °C). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.36 (d, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 1H), 8.23 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 3H), 7.92-7.91 (m, 2H), 7.62-7.50 (m, 8H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz,

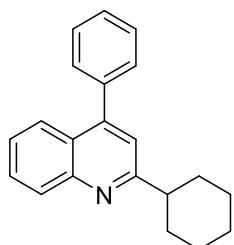
CDCl_3) δ 158.8, 150.2, 149.9, 138.9, 137.4, 131.3, 130.0, 129.5, 129.0, 128.9, 128.1 (d, $J = 32.5$ Hz), 127.8, 125.3, 125.2, 124.9, 123.7 (d, $J = 3.8$ Hz), 123.1, 120.4.



2-methyl-4-phenylquinoline (6a): Yellow solid (36.8 mg, 84%) (lit.¹ Oil). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.10 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.86 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.69 (dd appear t, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.53-7.47 (m, 5H), 7.44-7.41 (m, 1H), 7.23 (s, 1H), 2.78 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 158.5, 148.6, 148.4, 138.2, 129.5, 129.3, 129.0, 128.5, 128.3, 125.8, 125.7, 125.1, 122.2, 25.3.

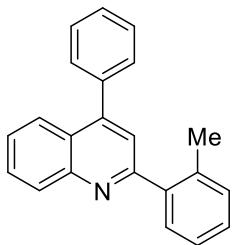


2-(tert-butyl)-4-phenylquinoline (6b): Pale yellow solid (23.5 mg, 45%), mp 86-88 °C (lit.¹¹ 86-87 °C). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.17 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.87 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.70 (dd appear t, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.55-7.50 (m, 5H), 7.48-7.43 (m, 2H), 1.53 (s, 9H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 168.8, 148.3, 147.9, 138.9, 129.8, 129.6, 128.9, 128.5, 128.2, 125.7, 125.4, 125.1, 118.5, 38.2, 30.2.

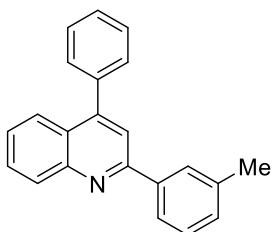


2-cyclohexyl-4-phenylquinoline (6c): Pale yellow oil (23.6 mg, 41%) (lit.⁵ Oil). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.14 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.86 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.68 (dd appear t, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.54-7.47 (m, 5H), 7.43 (dd appear t, $J_1 = 7.5$ Hz, $J_2 = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.28 (s, 1H), 3.00-2.96 (m, 1H), 2.09-2.07 (m, 2H), 1.92-1.89 (m, 2H), 1.81-1.78 (m, 1H), 1.71-1.63 (m, 2H), 1.53-1.45 (m, 2H), 1.37-1.31 (m, 1H);

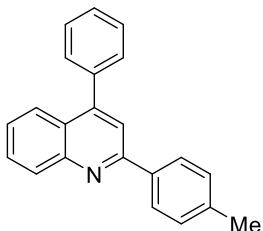
¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.3, 148.8, 148.2, 138.6, 129.6, 129.3, 129.2, 128.5, 128.3, 125.7, 125.6, 125.5, 119.9, 77.3, 77.0, 76.8, 47.6, 32.9, 26.6, 26.1.



4-phenyl-2-(o-tolyl)quinoline (6d): Pale yellow oil (41.4 mg, 70%) (lit.⁶ Oil). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.28 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.99 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (dd appear t, *J*₁ = 8.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.59-7.51 (m, 8H), 7.35-7.32 (m, 3H), 2.51 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.9, 148.6, 148.5, 140.7, 138.2, 136.1, 130.9, 130.1, 129.8, 129.6, 129.5, 128.6, 128.5, 128.4, 126.5, 126.1, 125.7, 125.4, 122.6, 20.5.

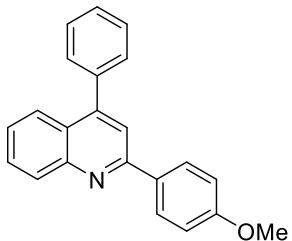


4-phenyl-2-(m-tolyl)quinoline (6e): Pale yellow oil (44.3 mg, 75%) (lit.¹³ 62-64 °C). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.32 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.10 (s, 1H), 8.01 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.94 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.85 (s, 1H), 7.76 (dd appear t, *J*₁ = 8.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.60-7.43 (m, 7H), 7.32 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 2.52 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.0, 149.1, 148.8, 139.5, 138.4, 130.1, 130.0, 129.5, 129.4, 128.7, 128.6, 128.4, 128.3, 126.2, 125.7, 125.6, 124.7, 119.4, 21.5.

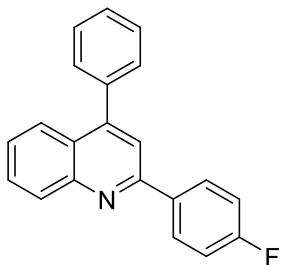


4-phenyl-2-(p-tolyl)quinoline (6f): Pale yellow solid (47.3 mg, 80%) (lit.⁶ Oil). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.27 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.13 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.92 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.83 (s, 1H), 7.74 (dd appear t, *J*₁ = 8.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 8.0 Hz, 1H),

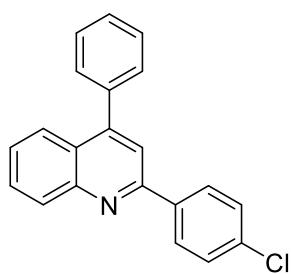
7.59-7.52 (m, 5H), 7.47 (dd appear t, J_1 = 8.0 Hz, J_2 = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.35 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.46 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 156.9, 149.1, 148.9, 139.5, 138.6, 136.9, 130.1, 129.6, 129.5, 128.6, 128.4, 127.5, 126.2, 125.8, 125.7, 119.2, 21.4.



2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-4-phenylquinoline (6g): Yellow solid (48.0 mg, 77%) (lit.⁴ Oil).
 ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.25 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.18 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.89 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.78 (s, 1H), 7.72 (dd appear t, J_1 = 8.0 Hz, J_2 = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.58-7.51 (m, 5H), 7.45 (dd appear t, J_1 = 8.0 Hz, J_2 = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 3.89 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 161.0, 156.4, 149.2, 148.7, 138.5, 132.0, 129.8, 129.6, 129.5, 129.0, 128.6, 128.4, 126.0, 125.6, 125.5, 118.9, 114.3, 55.4.

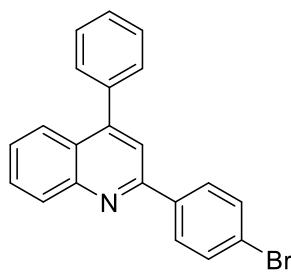


2-(4-fluorophenyl)-4-phenylquinoline (6h): Pale yellow oil (47.9 mg, 80%) (lit.⁴ Oil).
 ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.25 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.22-8.19 (m, 2H), 7.91 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.78 (s, 1H), 7.74 (dd appear t, J_1 = 7.5 Hz, J_2 = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.57-7.53 (m, 5H), 7.48 (dd appear t, J_1 = 7.5 Hz, J_2 = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.21 (dd appear t, J_1 = 8.5 Hz, J_2 = 8.5 Hz, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 163.9 (d, J = 247.5 Hz), 155.7, 149.4, 148.8, 138.4, 135.8, 135.7, 130.1, 129.7, 129.6, 129.5 (d, J = 8.8 Hz), 128.6, 128.5, 126.4, 125.7 (d, J = 5.0 Hz), 119.0, 115.8 (d, J = 21.3 Hz).

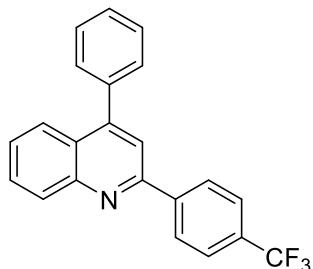


2-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-phenylquinoline (6i): Pale yellow oil (51.8 mg, 88%) (lit.⁴ Oil).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.25 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.16 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.91 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.78 (s, 1H), 7.74 (dd appear t, *J*₁ = 8.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.57-7.53 (m, 5H), 7.50-7.47 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 155.5, 149.5, 148.8, 138.3, 138.0, 135.6, 130.1, 129.7, 129.6, 129.0, 128.9, 128.7, 128.5, 126.6, 125.9, 125.7, 118.9.

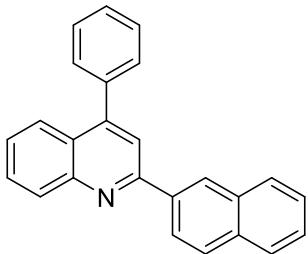


2-(4-bromophenyl)-4-phenylquinoline (6j): Yellow solid (56.9 mg, 79%), mp 125-127 °C (lit.⁷ 124-126 °C). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.24 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.09 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.91 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (s, 1H), 7.74 (dd appear t, *J*₁ = 8.5 Hz, *J*₂ = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.56-7.53 (m, 5H), 7.49 (dd appear t, *J*₁ = 8.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 8.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 155.5, 149.5, 148.8, 138.5, 138.3, 132.0, 130.1, 129.7, 129.6, 129.1, 128.7, 128.5, 126.6, 125.9, 125.7, 124.0, 118.8.

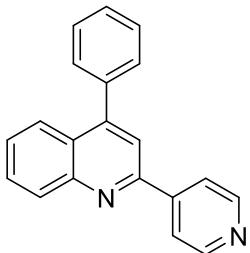


4-phenyl-2-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)quinoline (6k): Yellow solid (54.5 mg, 78%), mp 76-78 °C (lit.⁷ 80-82 °C). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.32 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 8.28 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.94 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.83 (s, 1H), 7.80-7.75 (m, 3H),

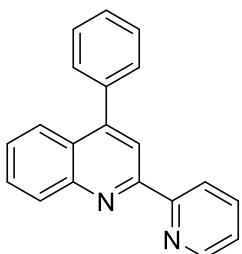
7.58-7.50 (m, 6H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 155.2, 149.7, 148.8, 142.9, 138.2, 131.2 (d, $J = 32.5$ Hz), 130.3, 129.8, 129.6, 128.7, 128.6, 127.9, 126.9, 126.1, 125.7 (d, $J = 3.8$ Hz), 124.3 (d, $J = 271.3$ Hz), 119.1.



2-(naphthalen-2-yl)-4-phenylquinoline (6l): Pale yellow solid (49.7 mg, 75%), mp 159-160 °C (lit.⁷ 162-163 °C). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.68 (s, 1H), 8.44 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 8.34 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 8.03-7.99 (m, 3H), 7.95 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.92-7.90 (m, 1H), 7.78 (dd appear t, $J_1 = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.63-7.49 (m, 8H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 156.7, 149.3, 148.9, 138.5, 136.9, 134.0, 133.6, 130.2, 129.6, 128.9, 128.7, 128.6, 128.5, 127.8, 127.2, 126.8, 126.5, 126.4, 125.9, 125.7, 125.1, 119.5.



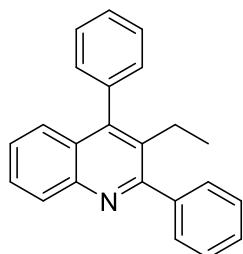
4-phenyl-2-(pyridin-4-yl)quinoline (6m): Yellow solid (52.0 mg, 92%), mp 137-138 °C (lit.¹⁵ 137-139 °C). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.76 (d, $J = 4.5$ Hz, 2H), 8.25 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 8.08-8.07 (m, 2H), 7.92 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.82-7.81 (m, 1H), 7.75 (dd appear t, $J_1 = 8.5$ Hz, $J_2 = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.54-7.50 (m, 6H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 153.9, 150.4, 149.8, 148.8, 146.7, 138.0, 130.4, 130.0, 129.5, 128.7, 128.6, 127.3, 126.4, 125.8, 121.6, 118.8.



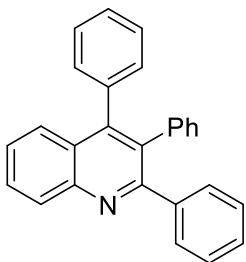
4-phenyl-2-(pyridin-2-yl)quinoline (6n): Yellow solid (24.8 mg, 44%), mp 136-138 °C (lit.¹⁵ 138-142 °C). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.73-8.70 (m, 2H), 8.53 (s, 1H), 8.28 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.96 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.88 (dd appear t, *J*₁ = 8.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.76-7.73 (m, 1H), 7.61-7.59 (m, 2H), 7.55-7.47 (m, 4H), 7.36-7.34 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.3, 155.6, 149.4, 149.2, 148.5, 138.4, 137.0, 130.2, 129.7, 129.4, 128.5, 128.3, 126.8, 125.8, 124.1, 121.9, 119.3.



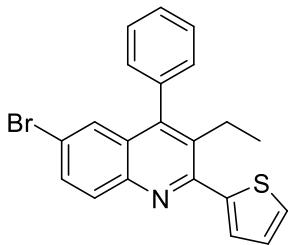
4-phenyl-2-(thiophen-2-yl)quinoline (6o): Pale Yellow solid (40.8 mg, 71%), mp 91-92 °C (lit.¹² 90-92 °C). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.18 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.85 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.74-7.69 (m, 3H), 7.56 (s, 5H), 7.48-7.42 (m, 2H), 7.16 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 151.9, 149.1, 148.7, 145.4, 138.2, 129.7, 129.6, 129.5, 128.7, 128.6, 128.5, 128.1, 126.2, 126.0, 125.9, 125.7, 118.0.



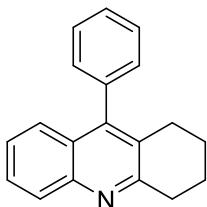
3-ethyl-2,4-diphenylquinoline (6p): Yellow solid (47.0 mg, 76%), mp 135-137 °C (lit.³ 136-137 °C). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.18 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (dd appear t, *J*₁ = 7.5 Hz, *J*₂ = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.60-7.59 (m, 2H), 7.56-7.43 (m, 7H), 7.41-7.38 (m, 1H), 7.34-7.31 (m, 3H), 2.62 (q, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 0.79 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.1, 147.5, 146.0, 141.7, 137.4, 133.1, 129.5, 129.4, 128.7, 128.6, 128.4, 128.3, 128.0, 127.8, 127.52, 126.3, 126.2, 23.4, 15.1.



2,3,4-triphenylquinoline (6q): Yellow solid (56.5 mg, 79%), mp 200-201 °C (lit.¹ 195-196 °C). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.29 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.76-7.73 (m, 1H), 7.61 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.48-7.45 (m, 1H), 7.41-7.39 (m, 2H), 7.31-7.27 (m, 3H), 7.23-7.22 (m, 3H), 7.17-7.15 (m, 2H), 7.02-7.01 (m, 3H), 6.92-6.90 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.0, 147.8, 147.3, 141.1, 138.4, 137.0, 133.0, 131.4, 130.3, 130.0, 129.7, 129.4, 127.8, 127.7, 127.6, 127.4, 127.3, 126.7, 126.6, 126.4.

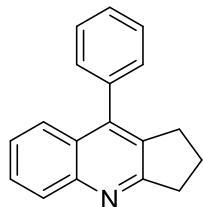


6-bromo-3-ethyl-4-phenyl-2-(thiophen-2-yl)quinoline (6r): Yellow solid (50.3 mg, 64%), mp 156-157 °C. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.99 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.70-7.68 (m, 1H), 7.57-7.49 (m, 5H), 7.37 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.28 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.16-7.15 (m, 1H), 2.84 (q, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 1.02 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 153.4, 147.2, 144.7, 144.1, 136.6, 133.7, 132.3, 131.0, 129.3, 128.7, 128.5, 128.2, 128.2, 128.0, 127.6, 127.5, 120.5, 23.7, 15.0. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₂₁H₁₇BrNS [M+H]⁺: 394.0260, found 394.0261

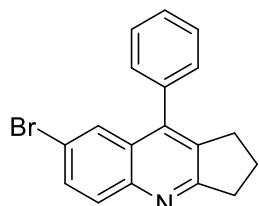


9-phenyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroacridine (6s): Yellow solid (48.2 mg, 93%), mp 136-138 °C (lit.¹² 136-138 °C). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.03-8.02 (m, 1H), 7.60-7.58 (m, 1H), 7.52-7.49 (m, 2H), 7.47-7.45 (m, 1H), 7.31-7.30 (m, 2H), 7.23-7.22 (m, 2H),

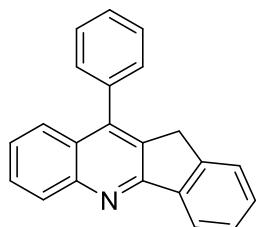
3.22-3.19 (m, 2H), 2.61-2.59 (m, 2H), 1.96-1.95 (m, 2H), 1.79-1.77 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 159.1, 146.5, 146.3, 137.2, 129.1, 128.6, 128.4, 128.3, 127.7, 126.7, 125.8, 125.4, 34.2, 28.0, 23.0, 22.9.



9-phenyl-2,3-dihydro-1H-cyclopenta[b]quinoline (6t): Yellow solid (47.1 mg, 96%), mp 131-134 °C (lit.¹² 130-132 °C). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.08 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.63-7.59 (m, 2H), 7.51 (dd appear t, $J_1 = 7.5$ Hz, $J_2 = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.45 (dd appear t, $J_1 = 7.5$ Hz, $J_2 = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.38-7.34 (m, 3H), 3.23 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 2.89 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 2.18-2.12 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.4, 148.0, 142.7, 136.8, 133.6, 129.3, 128.8, 128.5, 128.2, 128.0, 126.2, 125.6, 125.5, 35.2, 30.3, 23.5.

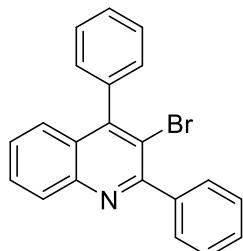


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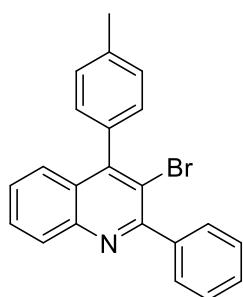


10-phenyl-11H-indeno[1,2-b]quinoline (6v): Pale yellow solid (52.2 mg, 89%), mp 146-148 °C (lit.¹² 144-148 °C). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.36 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H),

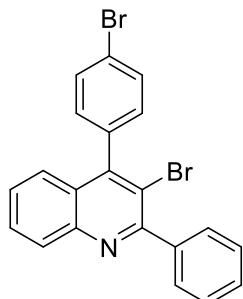
8.28 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.71-7.68 (m, 2H), 7.59-7.40 (m, 9H), 3.82 (s, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 161.1, 148.6, 145.2, 143.6, 140.6, 136.6, 133.0, 130.0, 129.3, 128.7, 128.3, 127.5, 126.4, 125.8, 125.7, 125.3, 122.2, 34.0.



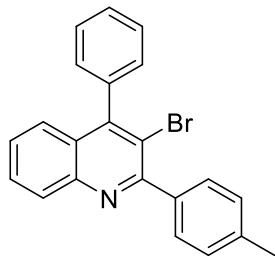
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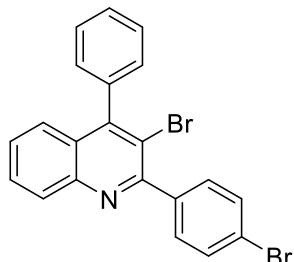
3-bromo-2-phenyl-4-(p-tolyl)quinoline (7b): Yellow solid (29.1 mg, 39%), mp 132-133 °C. ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.17 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.73-7.70 (m, 3H), 7.51-7.41 (m, 5H), 7.36 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.24 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 2.48 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 159.0, 150.0, 146.4, 141.1, 138.3, 135.2, 129.8, 129.6, 129.5, 129.3, 129.2, 128.7, 128.1, 128.0, 127.2, 126.5, 118.7, 21.5. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₂₂H₁₇BrN [M+H]⁺: 374.0539, found 374.0539



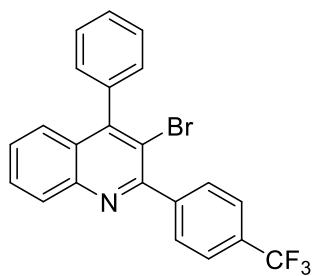
3-bromo-4-(4-bromophenyl)-2-phenylquinoline (7c): Yellow solid (33.2 mg, 38%), mp 167-168 °C. ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.19 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.75-7.69 (m, 5H), 7.51-7.45 (m, 4H), 7.40 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.23 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 159.0, 148.5, 146.4, 140.7, 136.9, 131.9, 131.1, 130.0, 129.7, 129.4, 128.8, 128.1, 127.6, 127.6, 126.1, 122.9, 118.4. HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{14}\text{Br}_2\text{N} [\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 437.9488, found 437.9488



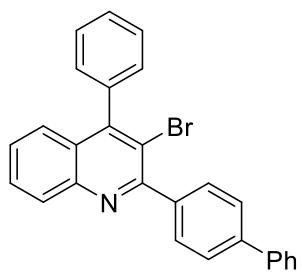
*3-bromo-4-phenyl-2-(*p*-tolyl)quinoline (7d)*: Pale yellow oil (53.7 mg, 72%). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.19 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.75-7.71 (m, 1H), 7.66 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.59-7.53 (m, 3H), 7.44-7.42 (m, 2H), 7.38-7.32 (m, 4H), 2.45 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 159.0, 149.6, 146.5, 138.7, 138.2, 138.2, 129.8, 129.6, 129.4, 129.3, 128.7, 128.6, 128.5, 127.9, 127.2, 126.4, 118.7, 21.5. HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{17}\text{BrN} [\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 374.0539, found 374.0539



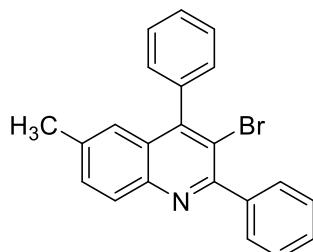
3-bromo-2-(4-bromophenyl)-4-phenylquinoline (7e): Yellow solid (73.4 mg, 84%), mp 132-133 °C. ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.16 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.76-7.72 (m, 1H), 7.64 (s, 4H), 7.59-7.53 (m, 3H), 7.48-7.42 (m, 2H), 7.35-7.34 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 157.7, 149.9, 146.5, 139.8, 137.9, 131.2, 130.0, 129.6, 129.2, 128.6, 128.6, 128.0, 127.5, 126.5, 123.2, 118.1. HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{14}\text{Br}_2\text{N} [\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 437.9488, found 437.9488



3-bromo-4-phenyl-2-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)quinoline (7f): Yellow solid (58.1 mg, 68%), mp 140-143 °C. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.18 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.88 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.79-7.75 (m, 3H), 7.60-7.55 (m, 3H), 7.49-7.46 (m, 2H), 7.37 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.5, 150.1, 146.5, 144.4, 137.8, 130.7 (d, *J* = 32.5 Hz), 130.1, 130.0, 129.7, 129.6, 129.2, 128.6, 128.2, 127.8, 126.5, 125.0 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz) 124.2 (d, *J* = 271.3 Hz), 117.9. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₂₂H₁₄BrF₃N [M+H]⁺: 428.0256, found 428.0253

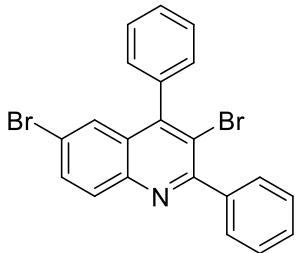


2-([1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl)-3-bromo-4-phenylquinoline (7g): Pale yellow oil (67.0 mg, 77%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.22 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.86 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.76-7.68 (m, 3H), 7.70-7.68 (m, 2H), 7.61-7.53 (m, 3H), 7.50-7.44 (m, 4H), 7.40-7.38 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.6, 149.8, 146.5, 141.6, 140.8, 139.8, 138.1, 130.0, 129.9, 129.6, 129.3, 128.9, 128.6, 128.5, 128.0, 127.5, 127.4, 127.3, 126.8, 126.5, 118.5. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₂₇H₁₉BrN [M+H]⁺: 436.0696, found 436.0694

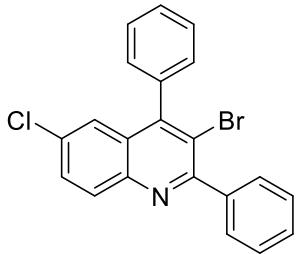


3-bromo-6-methyl-2,4-diphenylquinoline (7h): Pale yellow solid (41.2 mg, 55%), mp

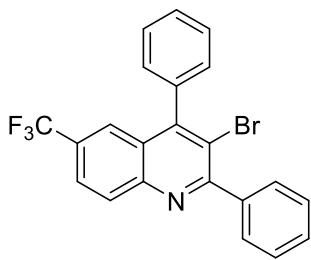
80-81 °C (lit.¹⁵ 79-81 °C). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.10 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.74 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.60-7.45 (m, 7H), 7.36 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.17 (s, 1H), 2.43 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.0, 149.0, 145.1, 141.1, 138.3, 137.5, 132.1, 129.5, 129.3, 128.6, 128.6, 128.4, 128.0, 127.9, 125.1, 118.6, 21.8.



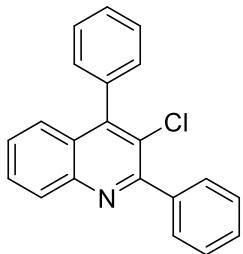
3,6-dibromo-2,4-diphenylquinoline (7i): Yellow solid (50.7 mg, 58%), mp 165-167 °C. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.04 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.80-7.78 (m, 1H), 7.75-7.73 (m, 2H), 7.61-7.48 (m, 7H), 7.35 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.4, 148.9, 145.1, 140.7, 137.4, 133.4, 131.4, 129.4, 129.2, 129.0, 128.9, 128.8, 128.4, 128.1, 121.6, 119.7. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₂₁H₁₄Br₂N [M+H]⁺: 437.9488, found 437.9488



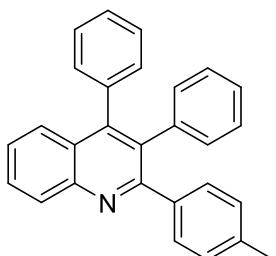
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3-bromo-2,4-diphenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)quinoline (7k): Pale yellow solid (40.1 mg, 47%), mp 159-160 °C. ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.30 (d, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.90 (d, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.77-7.74 (m, 3H), 7.63-7.58 (m, 3H), 7.55-7.50 (m, 3H), 7.37-7.36 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 161.2, 150.7, 147.4, 140.5, 137.1, 130.9, 129.4, 129.2 (d, $J = 27.5$ Hz), 129.1, 129.0 (d, $J = 22.5$ Hz), 128.8, 128.1, 127.0, 125.5, 125.4, 124.3 (d, $J = 3.8$ Hz), 123.8 (d, $J = 271.3$ Hz), 120.1. HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{14}\text{BrF}_3\text{N} [\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 428.0256, found 428.0253.

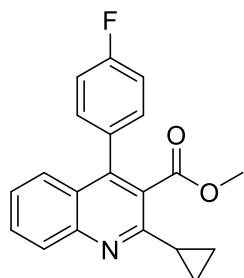


3-chloro-2,4-diphenylquinoline (7l): Pale yellow solid (50.5 mg, 80%), mp 104-106 °C (lit.¹⁷ 106-108 °C). ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.22 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.82 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.74-7.71 (m, 1H), 7.60-7.47 (m, 8H), 7.42-7.40 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 157.6, 147.1, 146.2, 139.4, 135.9, 129.7, 129.6, 129.5, 128.9, 128.6, 128.5, 128.1, 127.8, 127.3, 126.5, 126.2.



3,4-diphenyl-2-(p-tolyl)quinoline (8): White solid (52.8 mg, 71%), mp 203-205 °C. ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.24 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.71 (dd appear t, $J_1 = 7.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 7.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.56 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.45-7.28 (m, 6H), 7.13-6.90 (m, 2H), 2.28 (s,

3H);¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.9, 138.5, 137.5, 137.0, 133.0, 131.4, 130.3, 129.9, 129.5, 129.4, 128.4, 128.3, 127.8, 127.4, 127.3, 126.6, 126.5, 126.3, 21.2. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₂₈H₂₂N [M+H]⁺: 372.1747, found 372.1746.



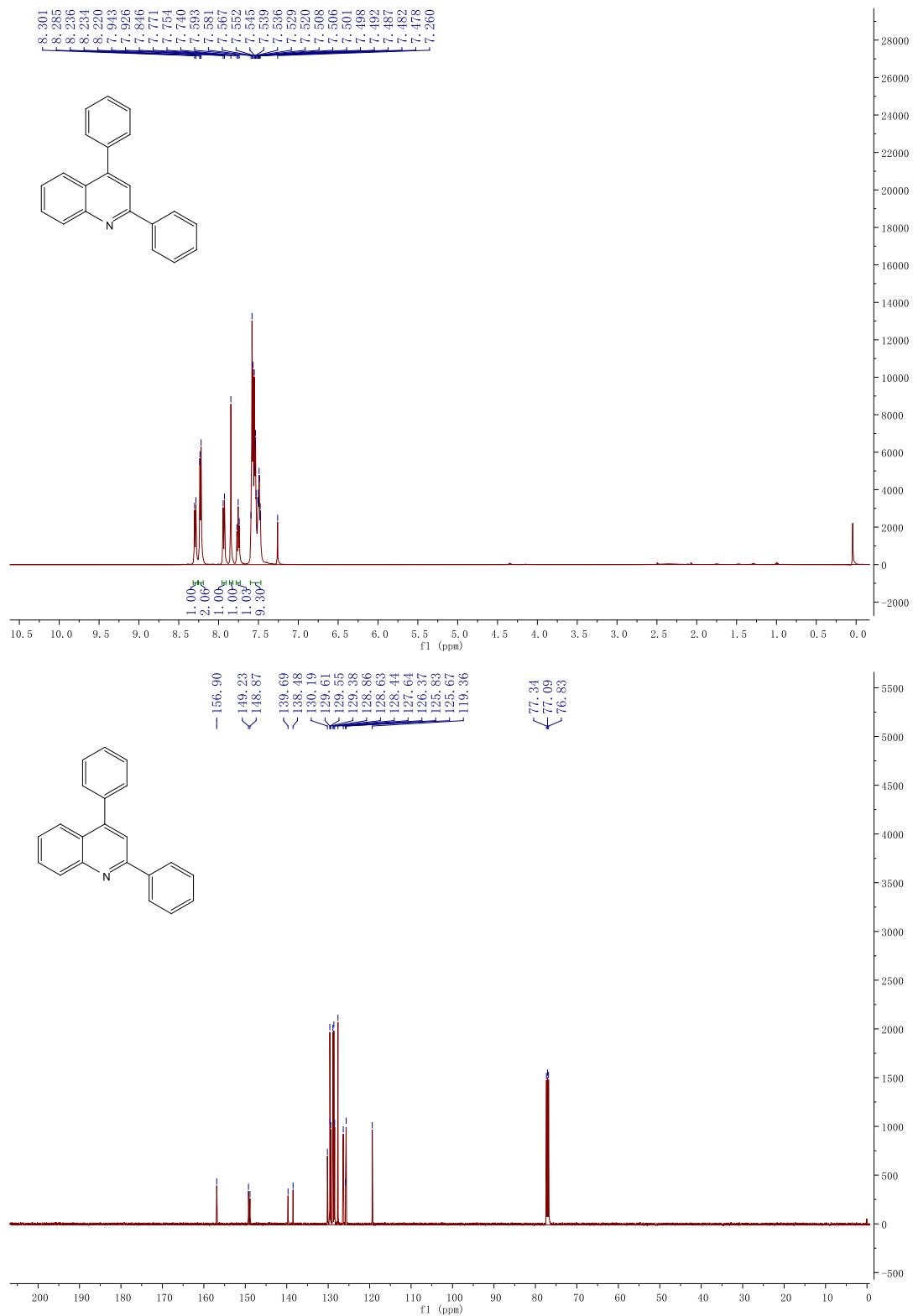
methyl 2-cyclopropyl-4-(4-fluorophenyl)quinoline-3-carboxylate (9): White solid (40.5 mg, 63%). mp 118-119 °C (lit.¹⁹ 126-127 °C). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.99 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.69-7.65 (m, 1H), 7.50 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.40-7.34 (m, 3H), 7.21-7.17 (m, 2H), 3.63 (s, 3H), 2.22-2.14 (m, 1H), 1.39-1.35 (m, 2H), 1.10-1.04 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 169.1, 162.8 (d, *J* = 247.5 Hz), 158.3, 148.0, 144.6, 131.7 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz), 131.2 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 130.2, 129.1, 127.7, 126.1, 126.1, 124.9, 115.4 (d, *J* = 21.3 Hz), 52.3, 15.5, 10.5.

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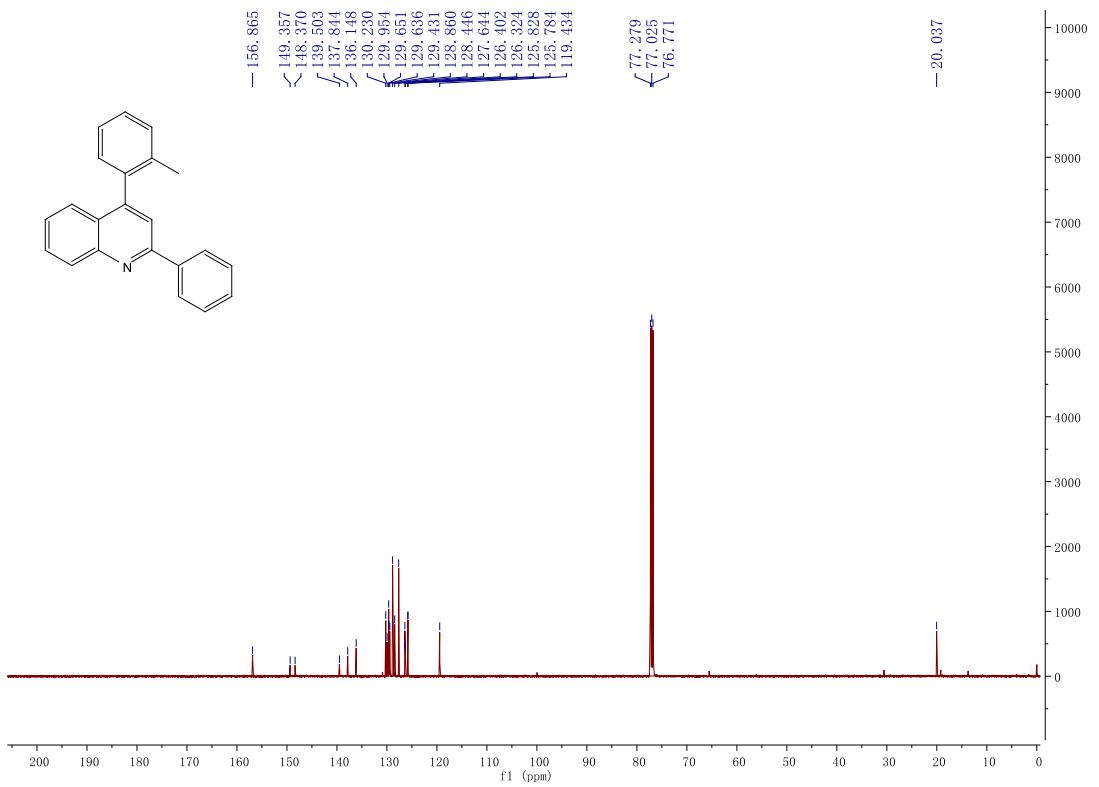
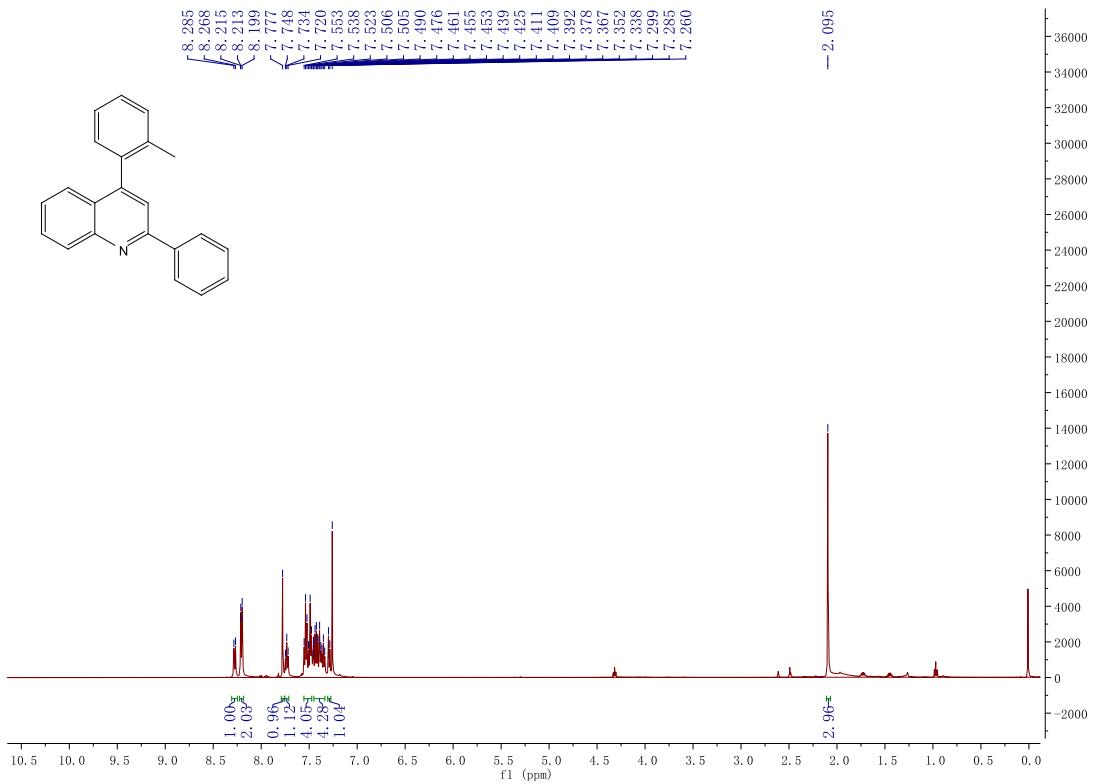
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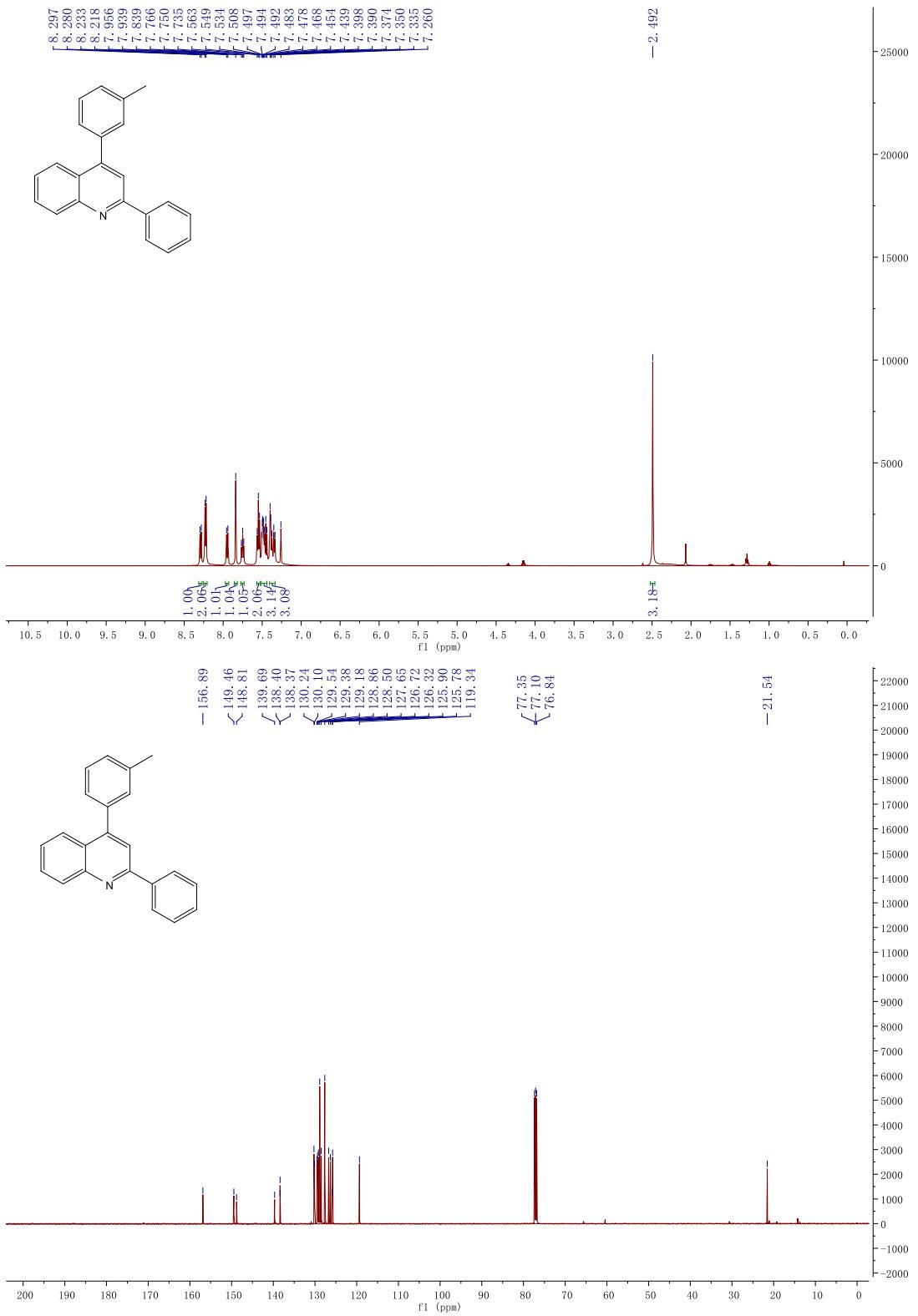
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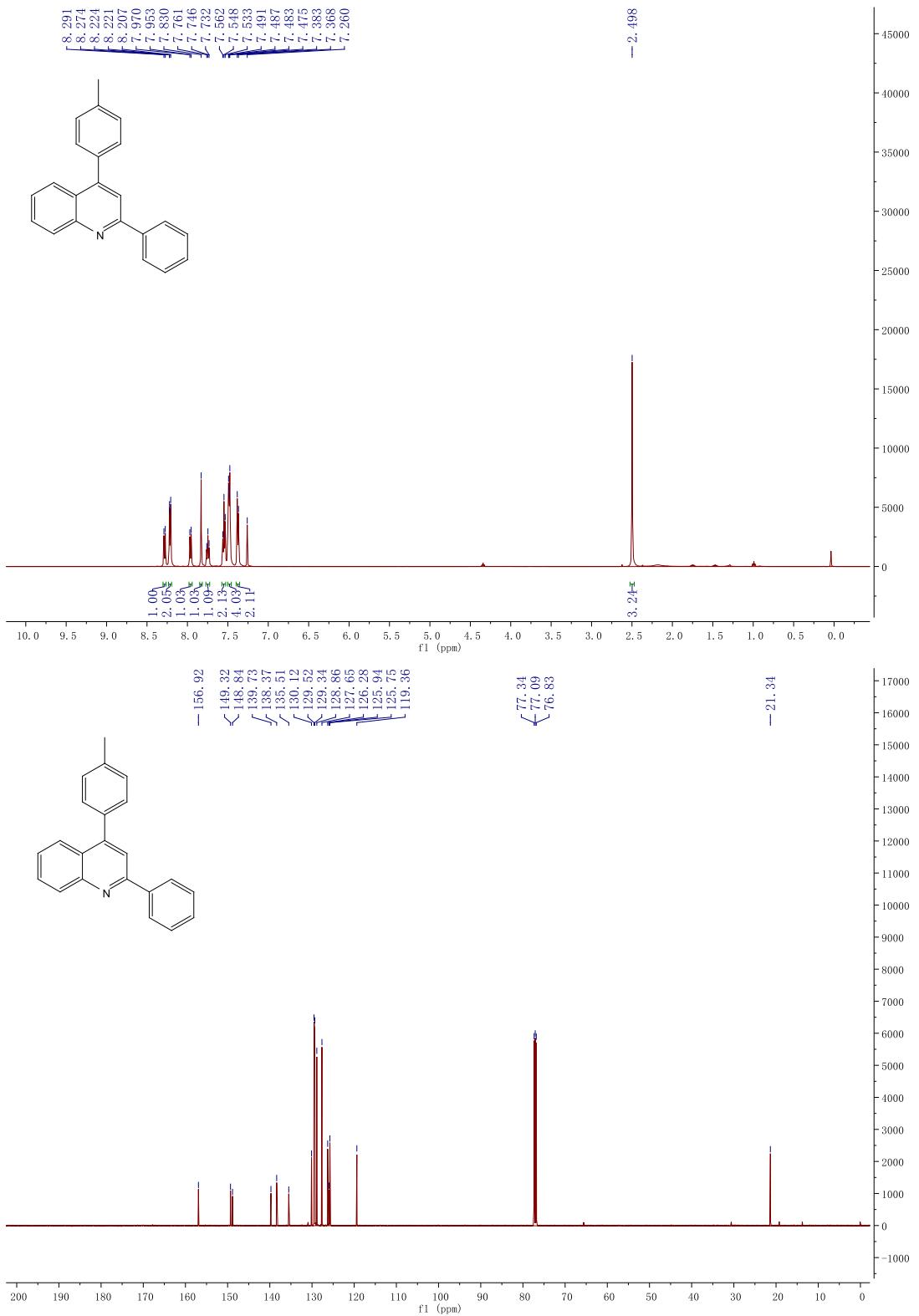
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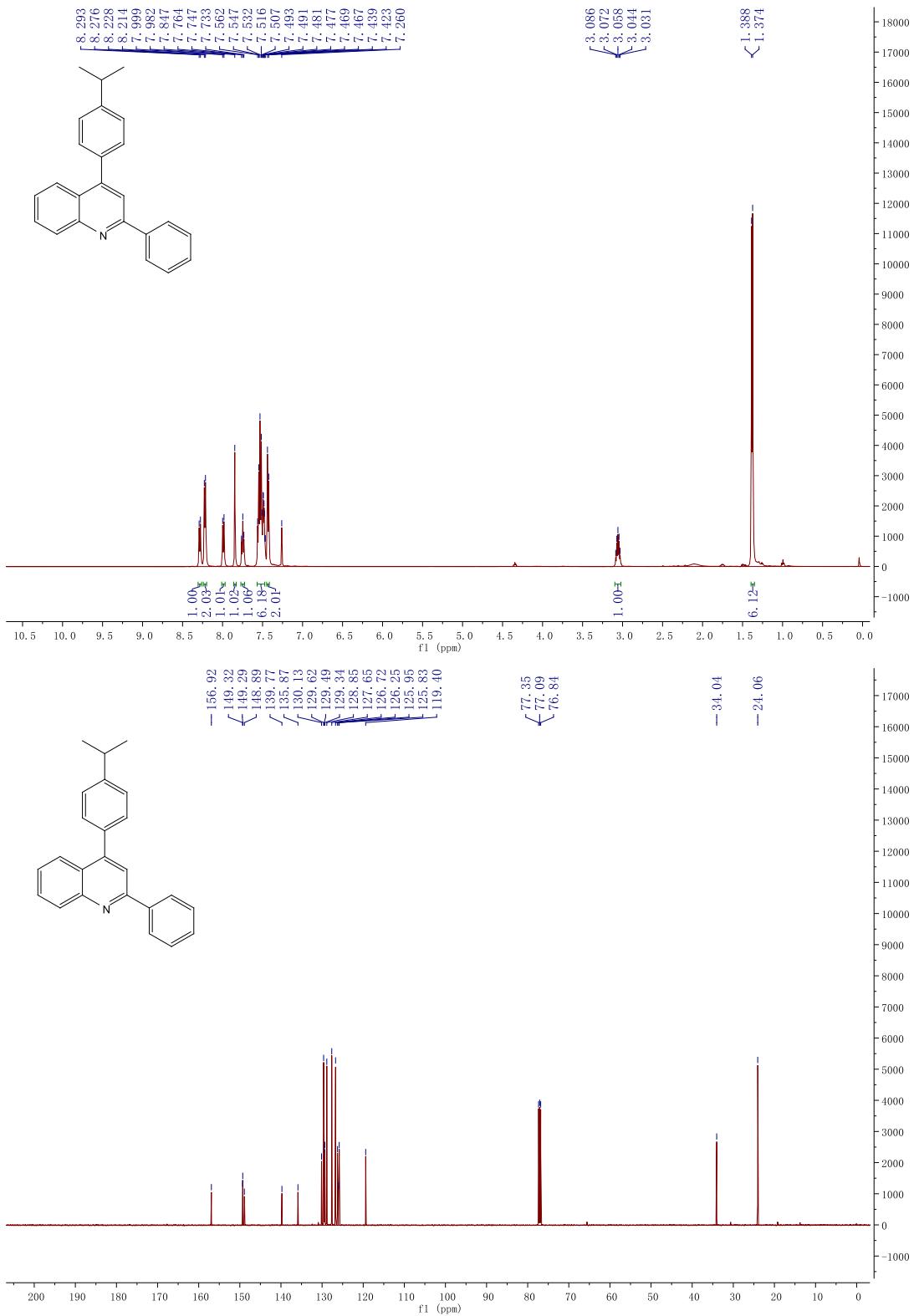
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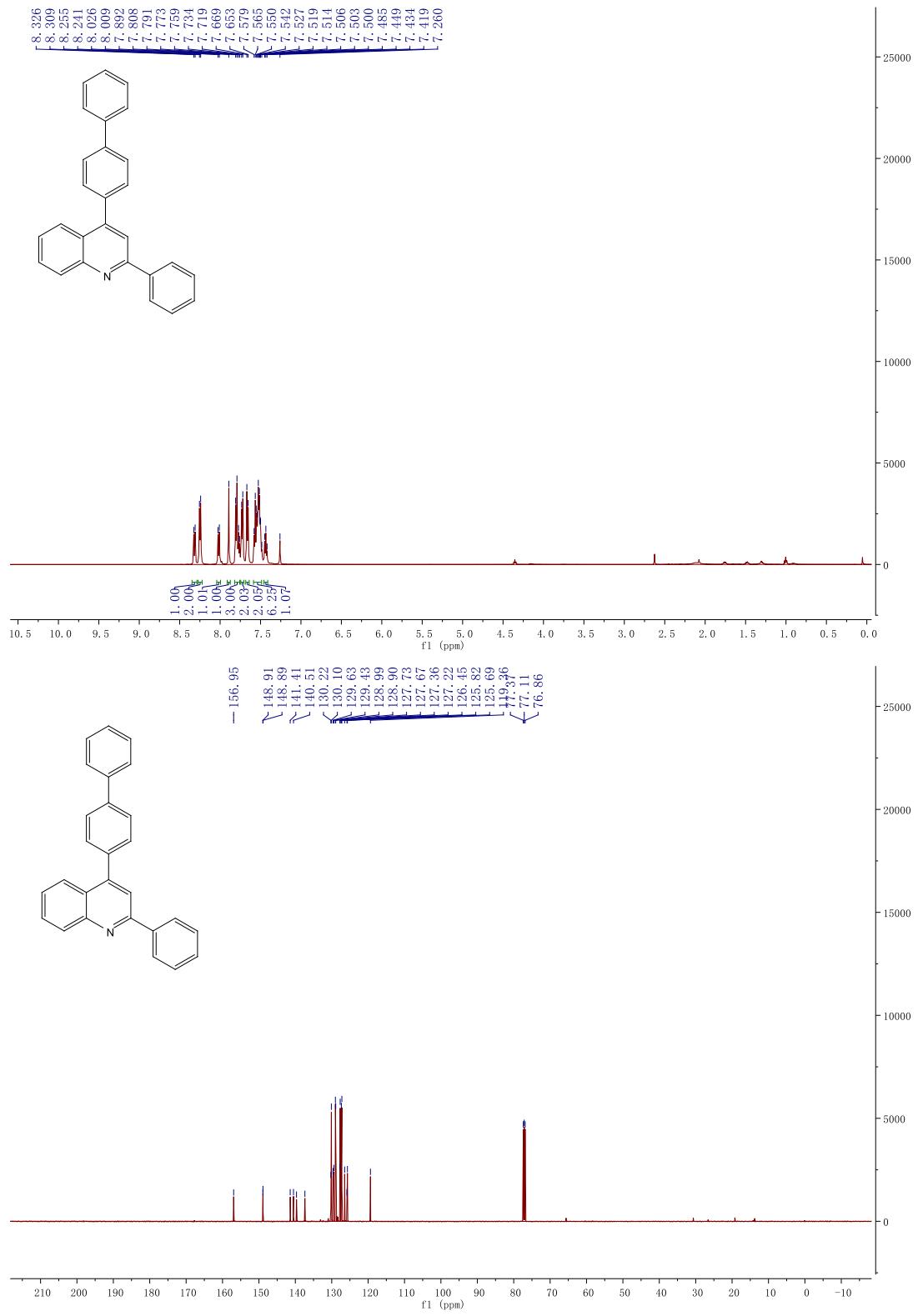
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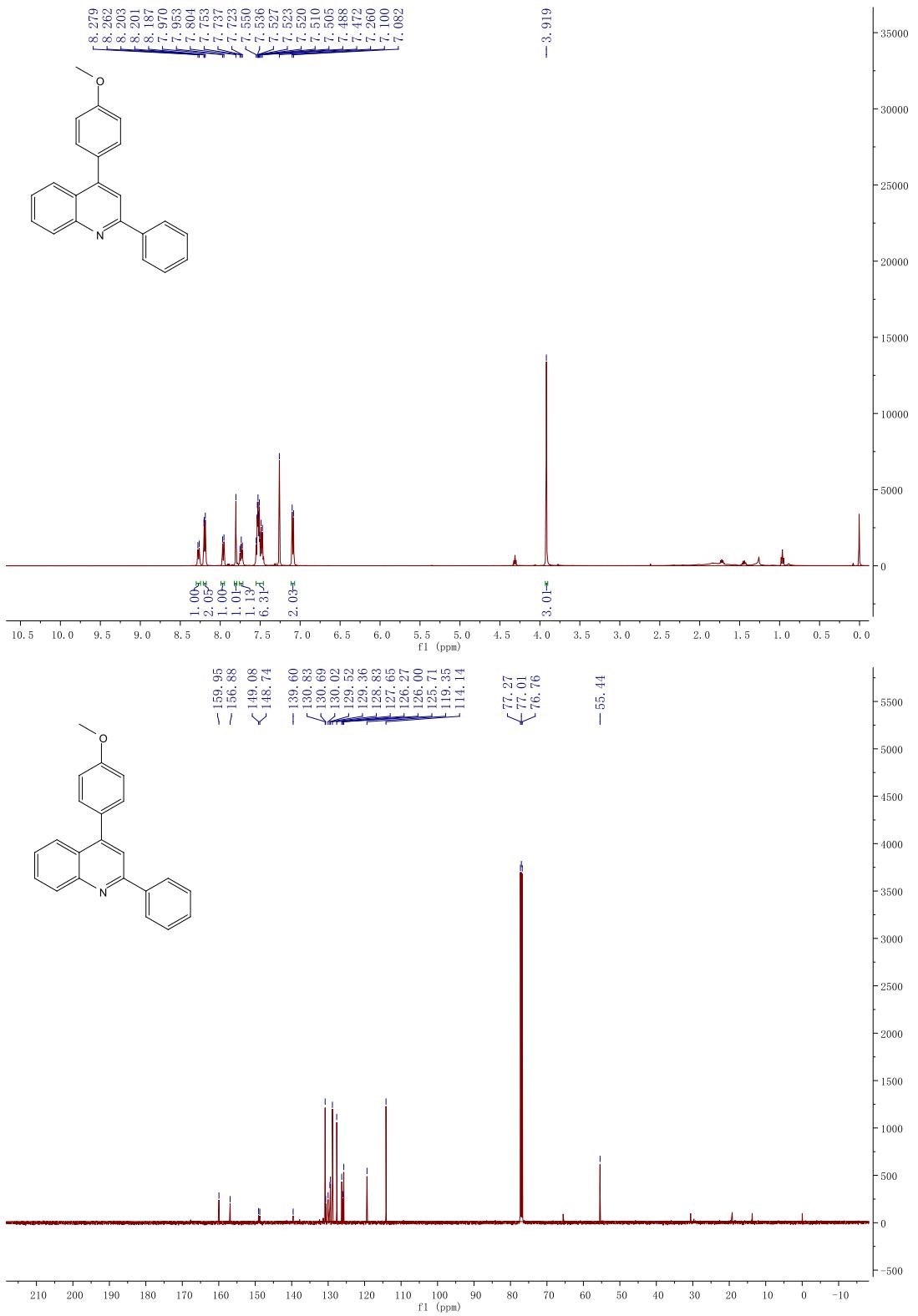
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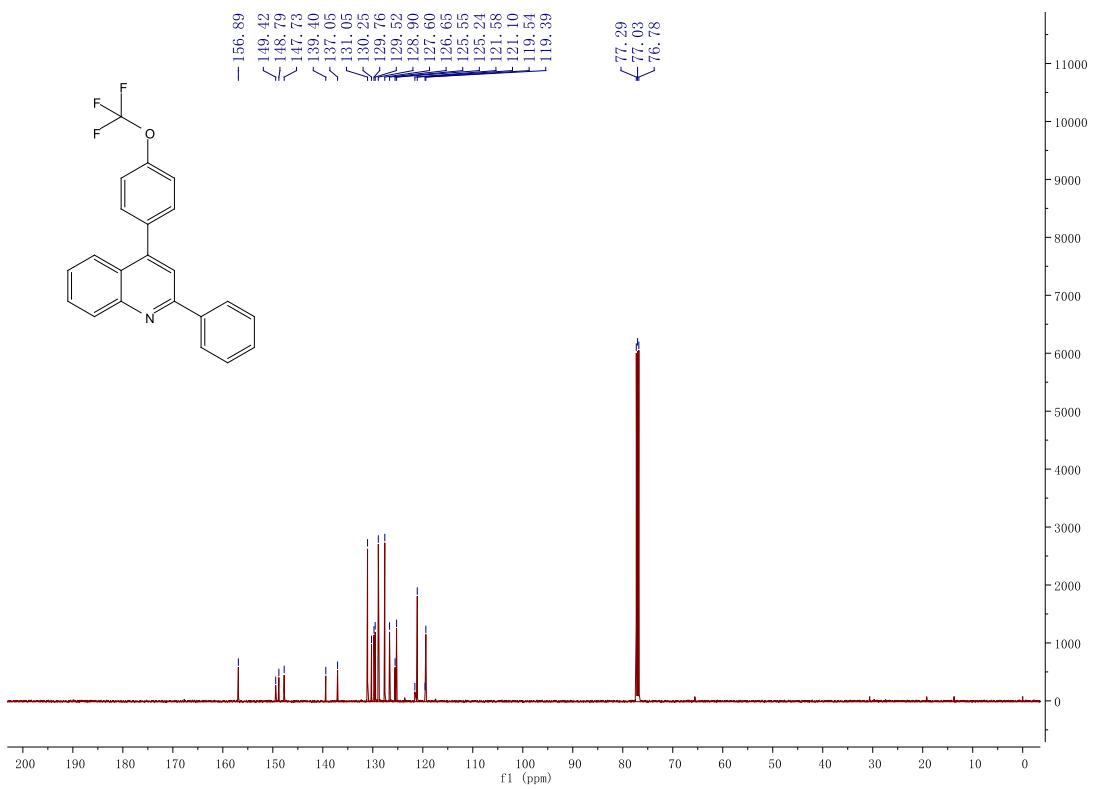
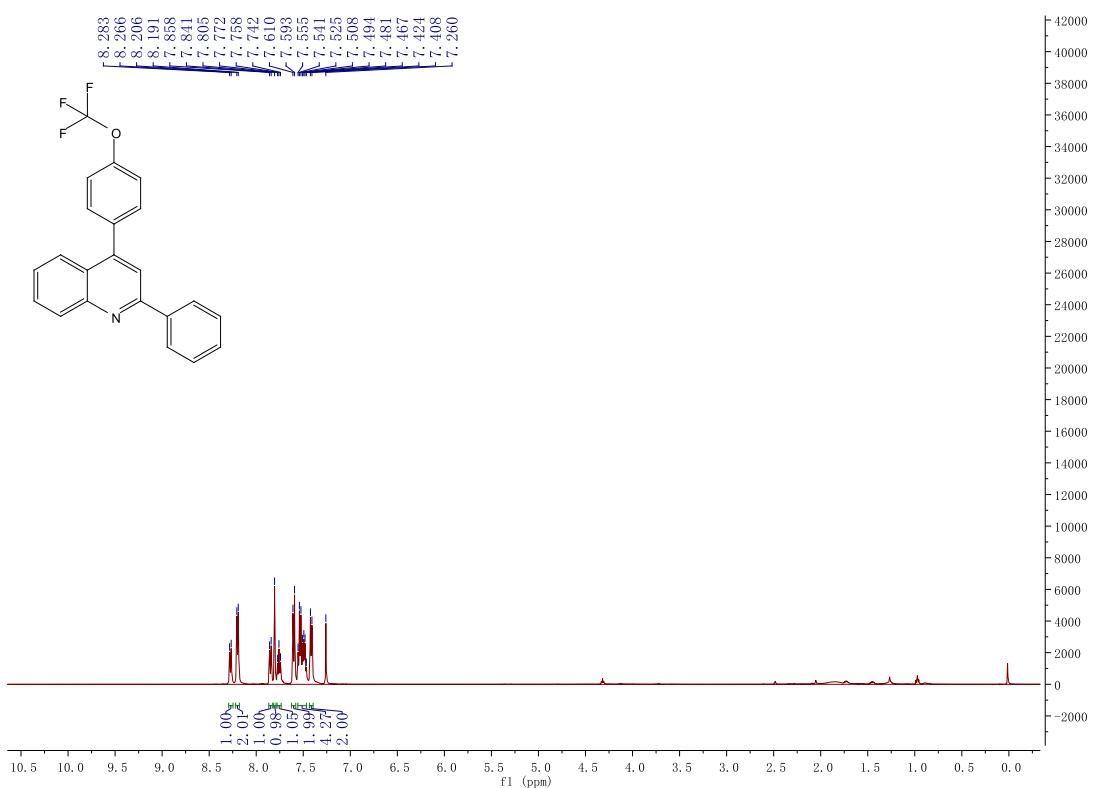
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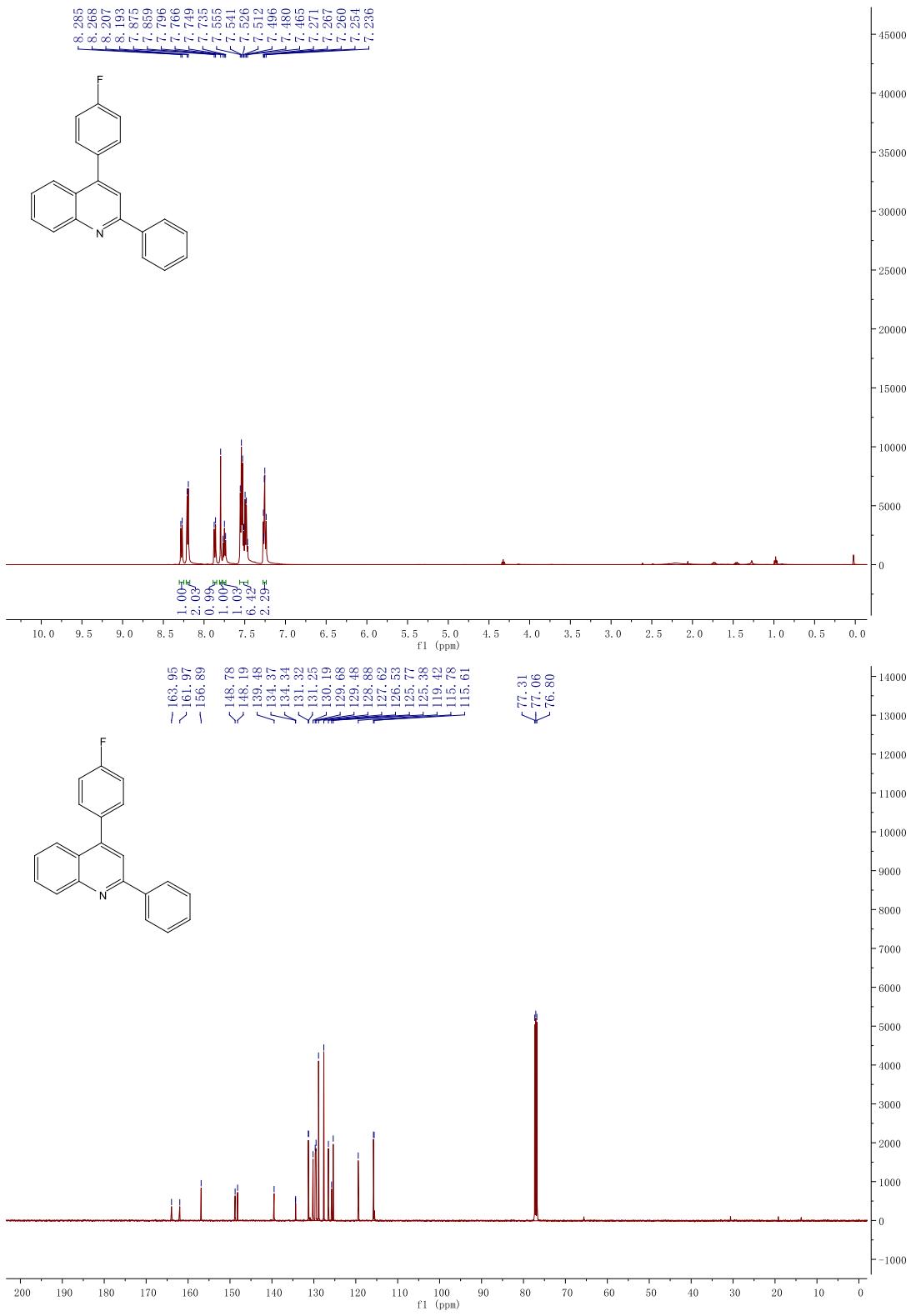
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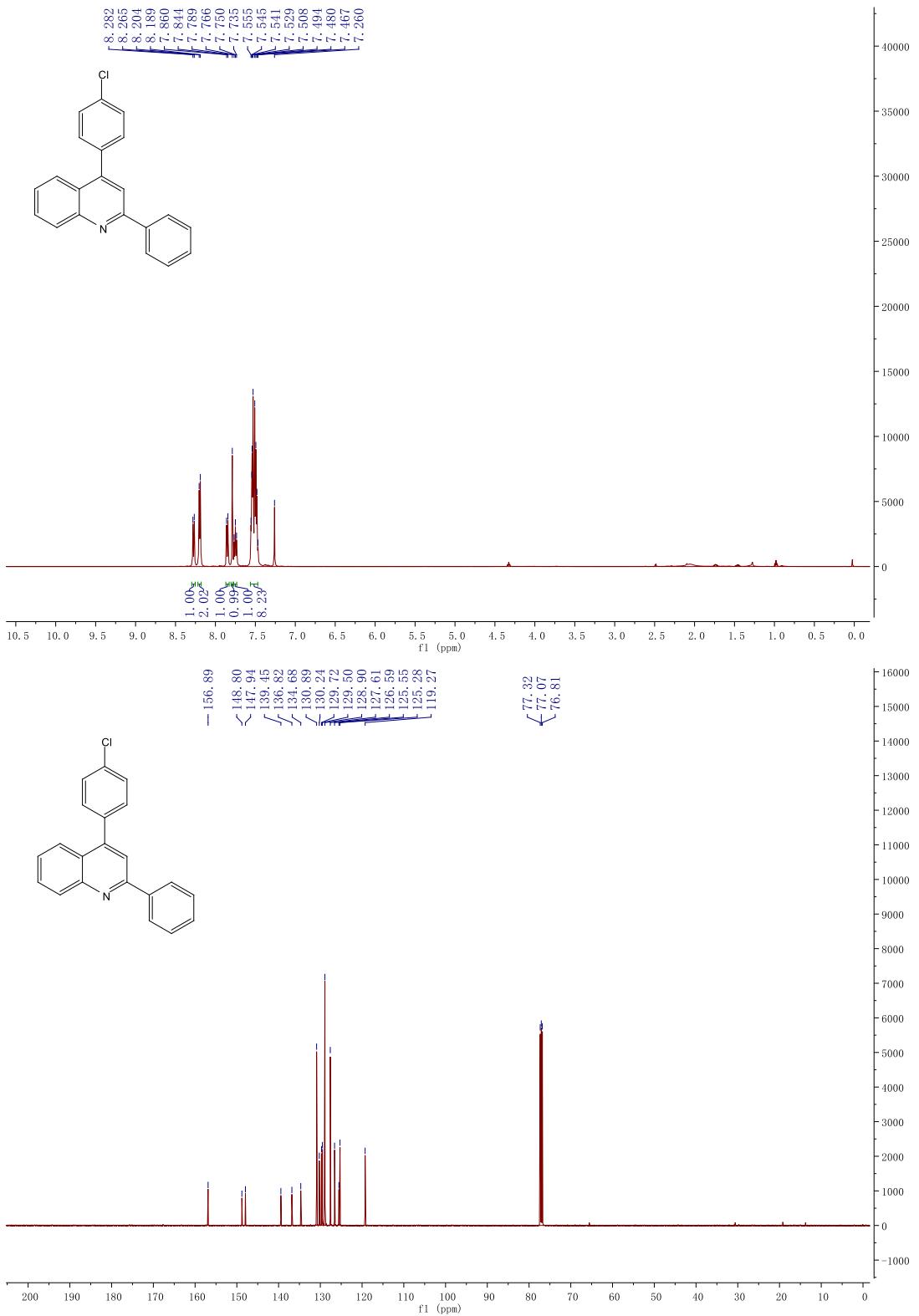
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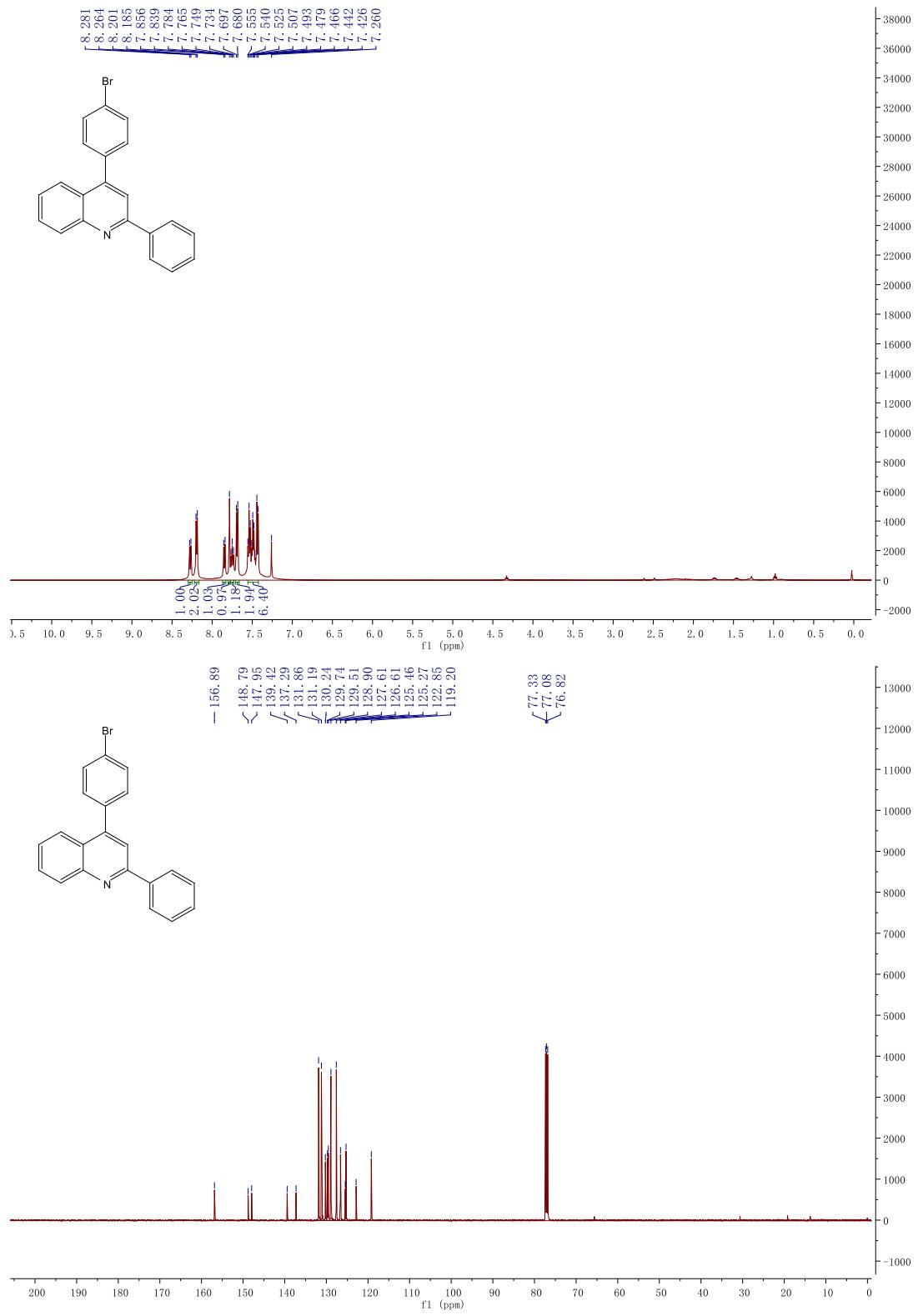
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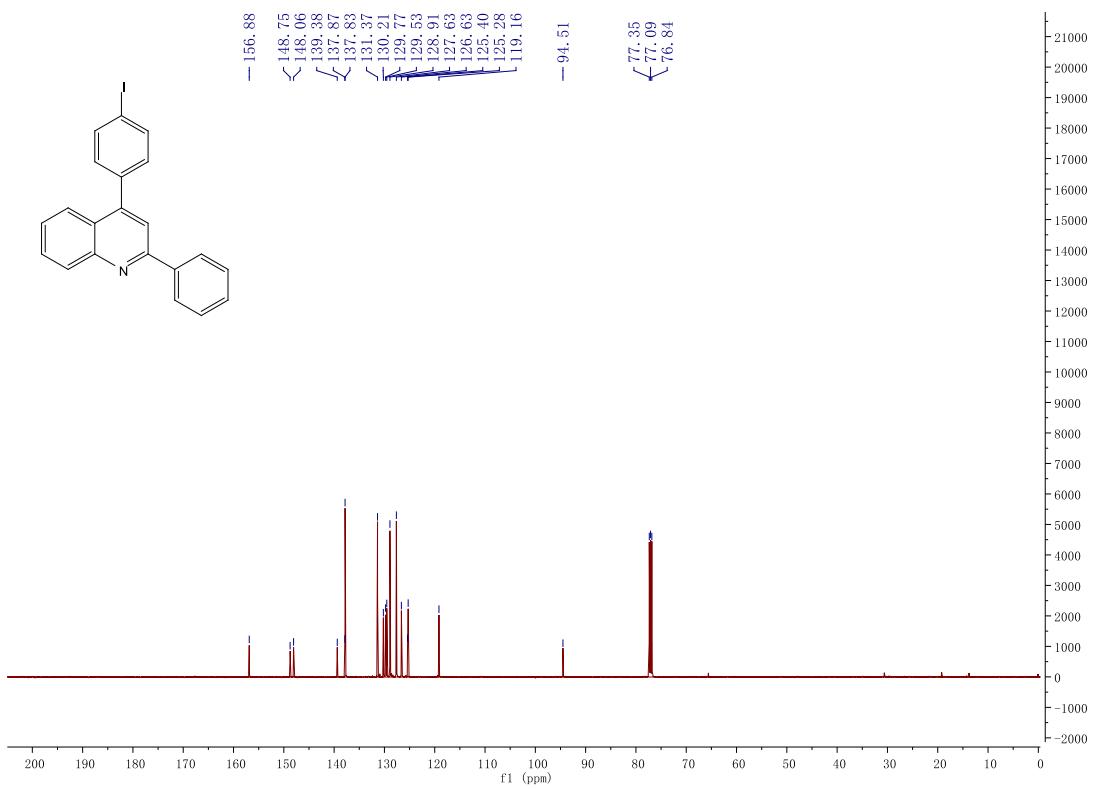
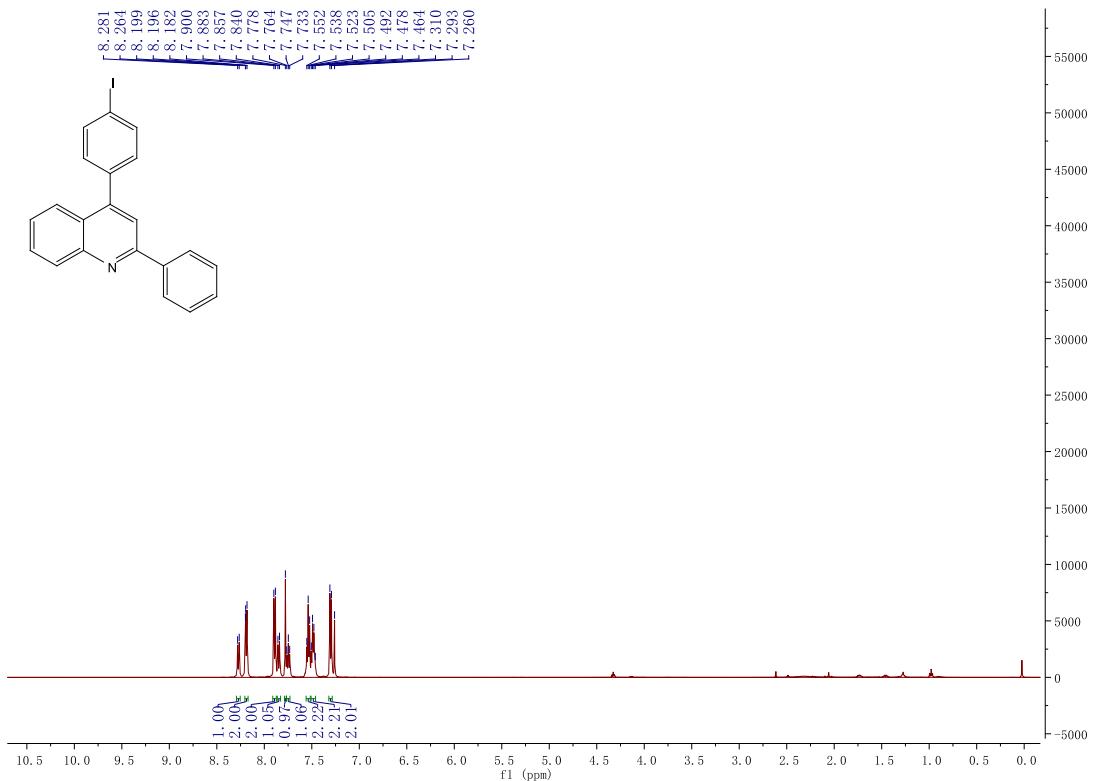
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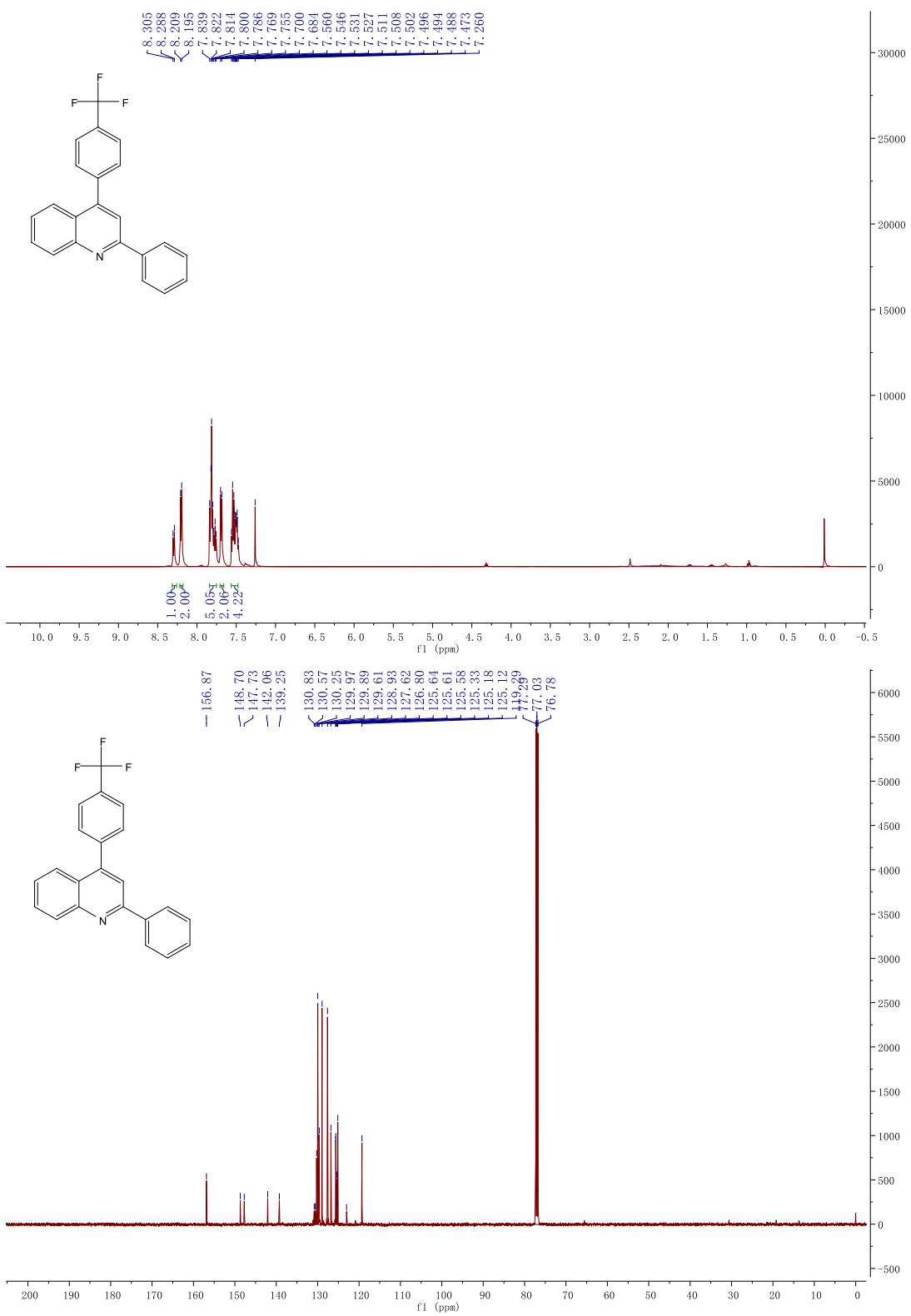
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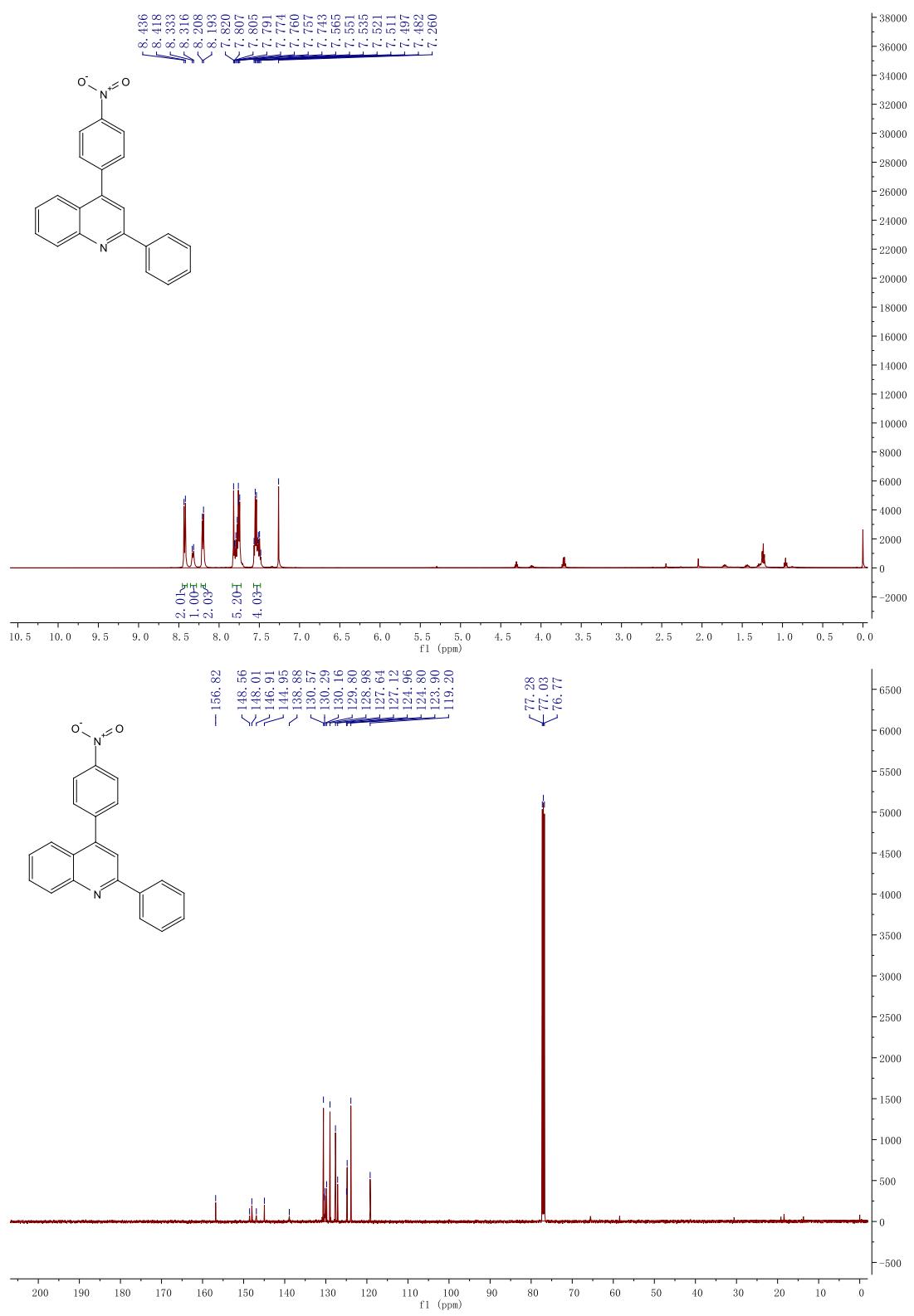
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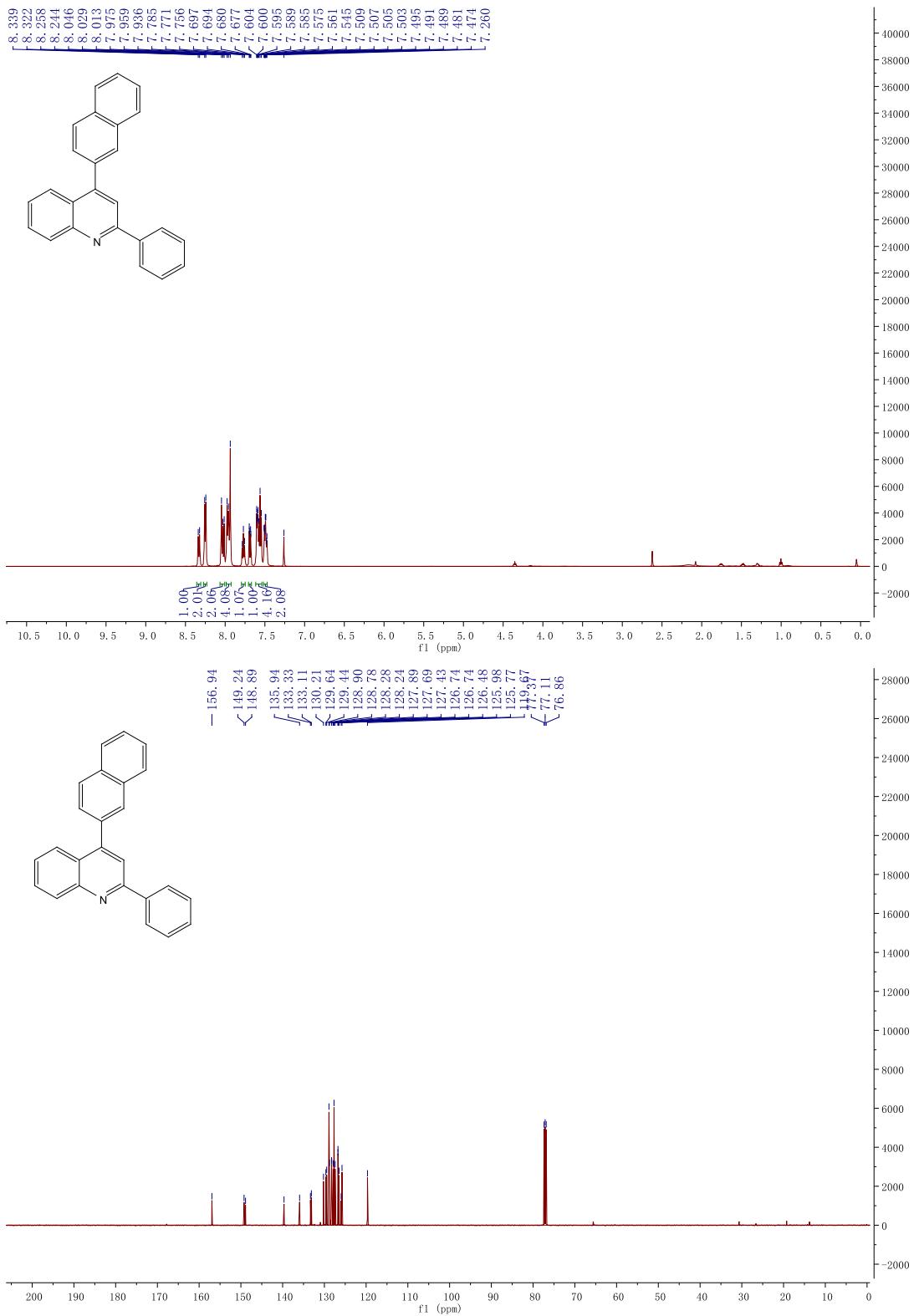
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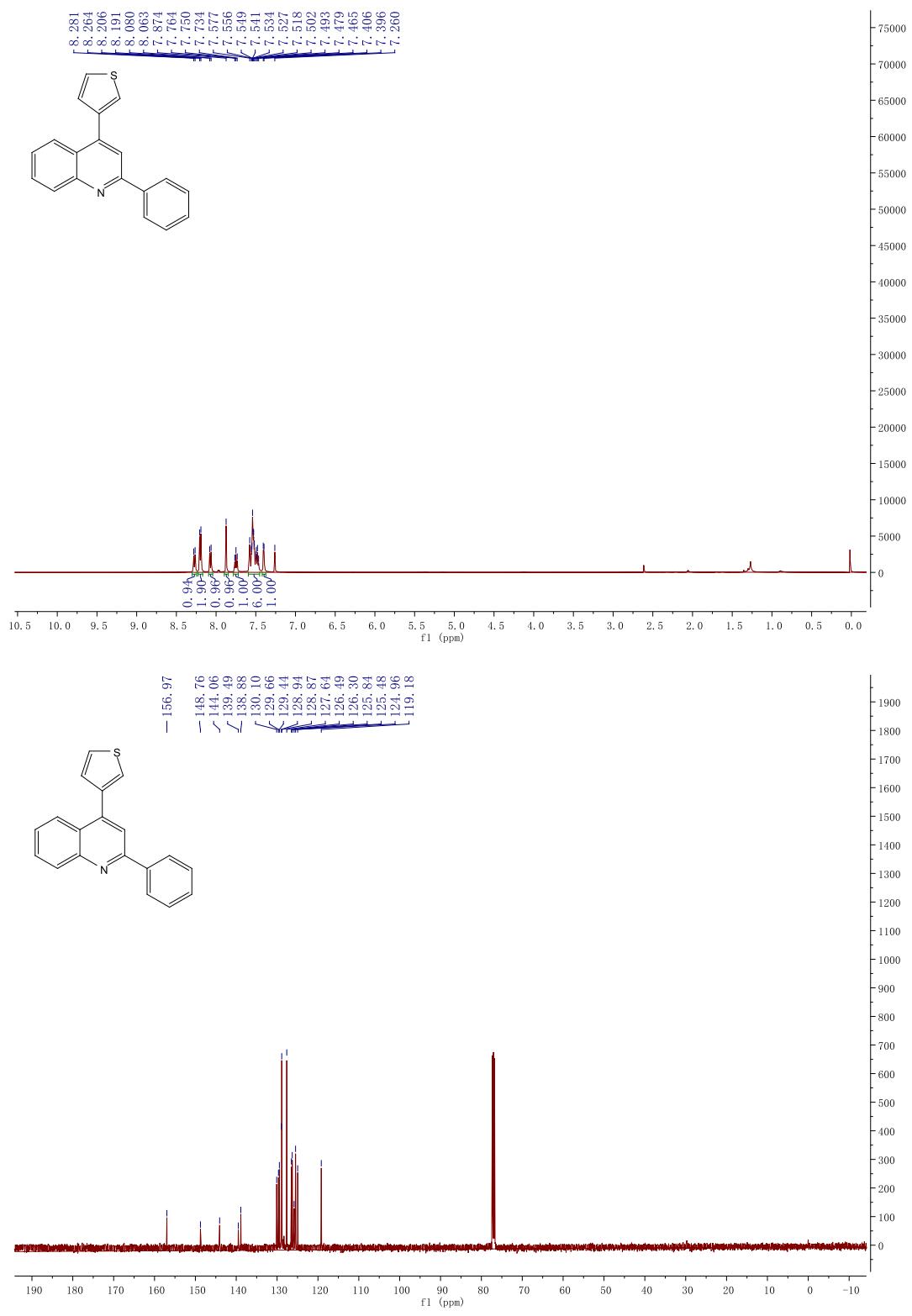
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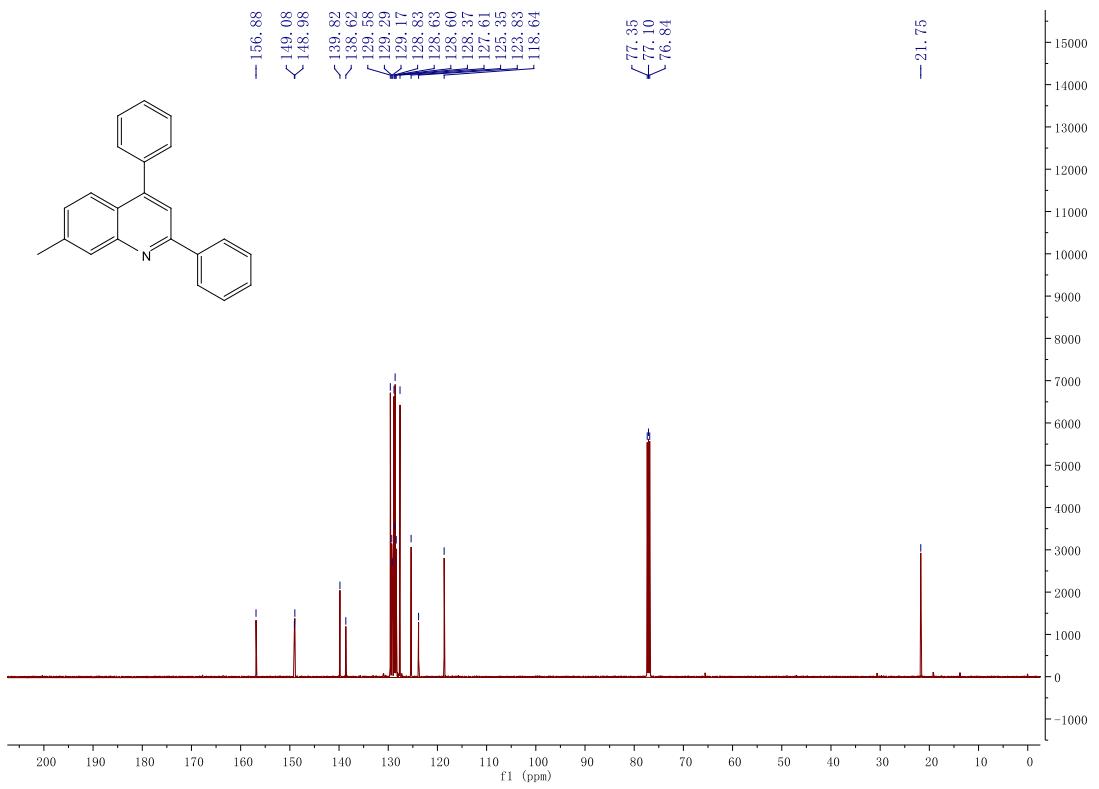
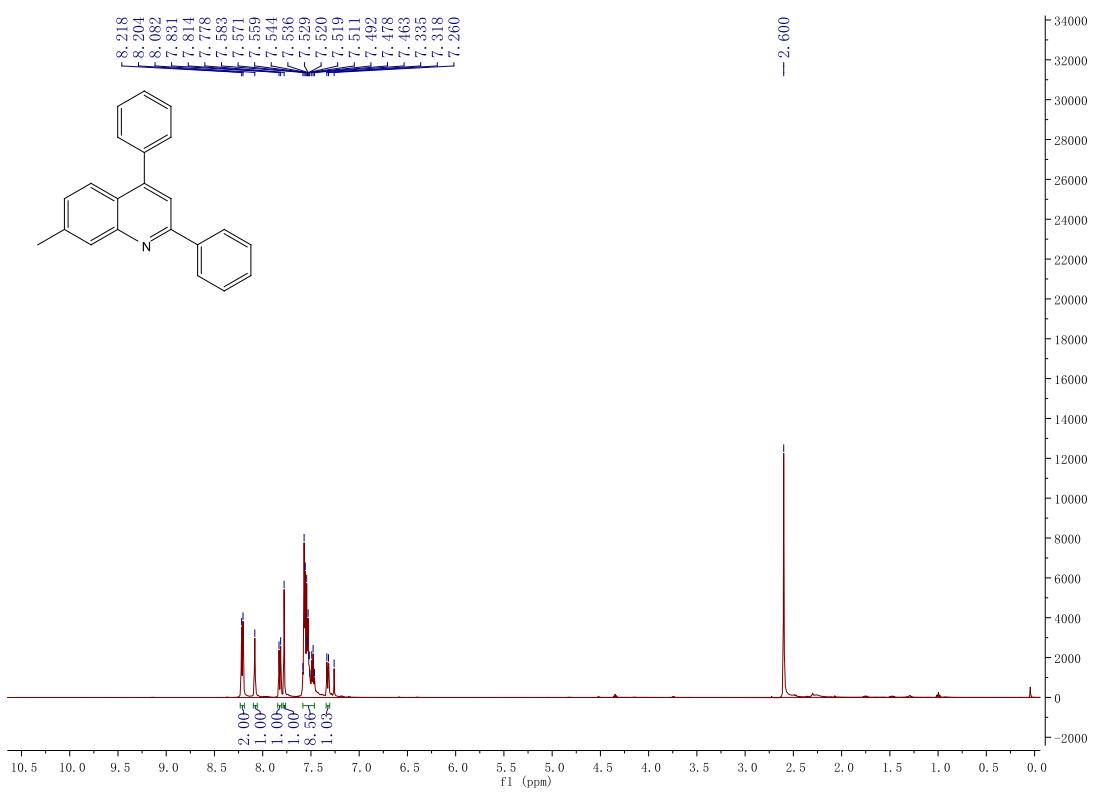
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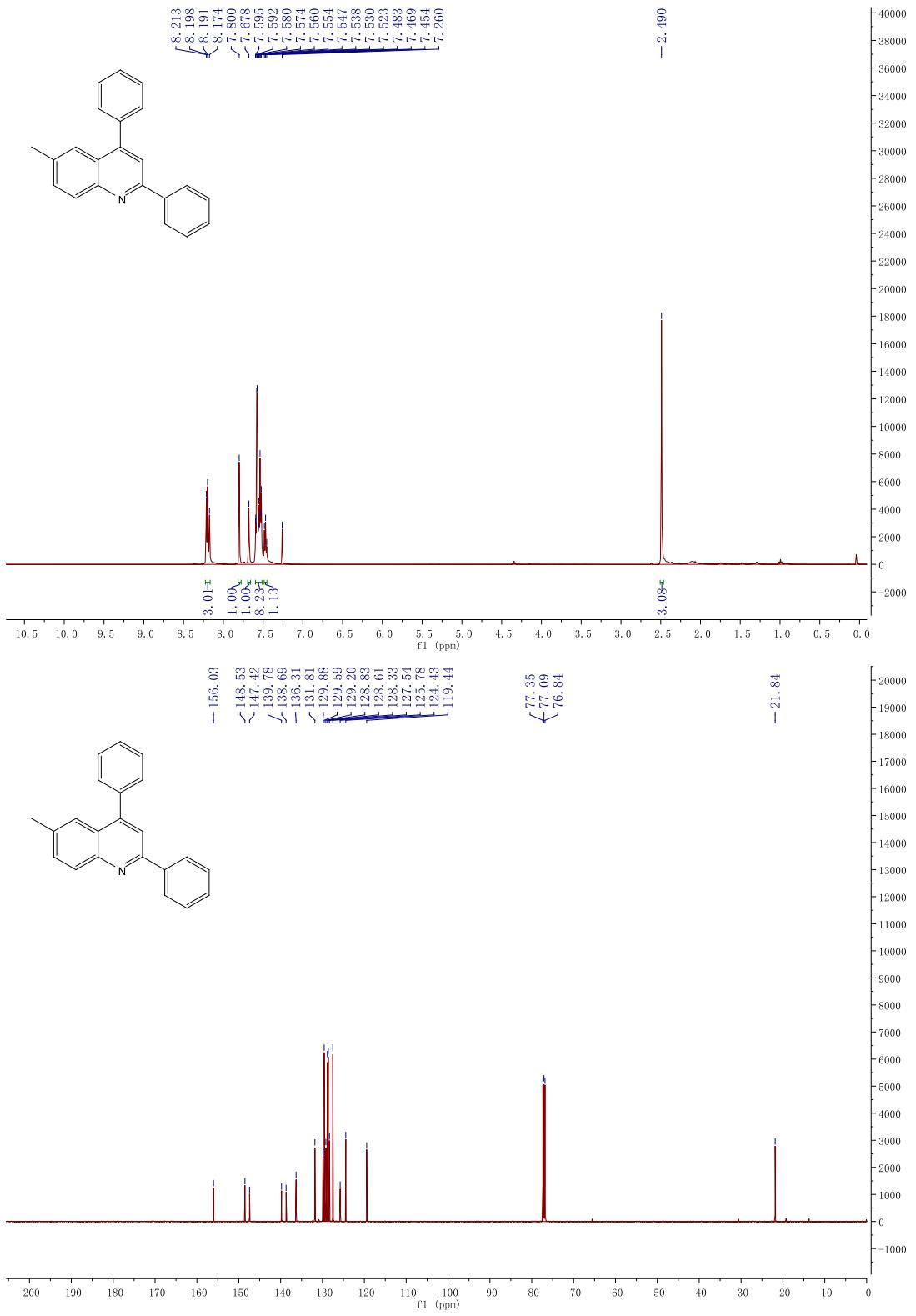
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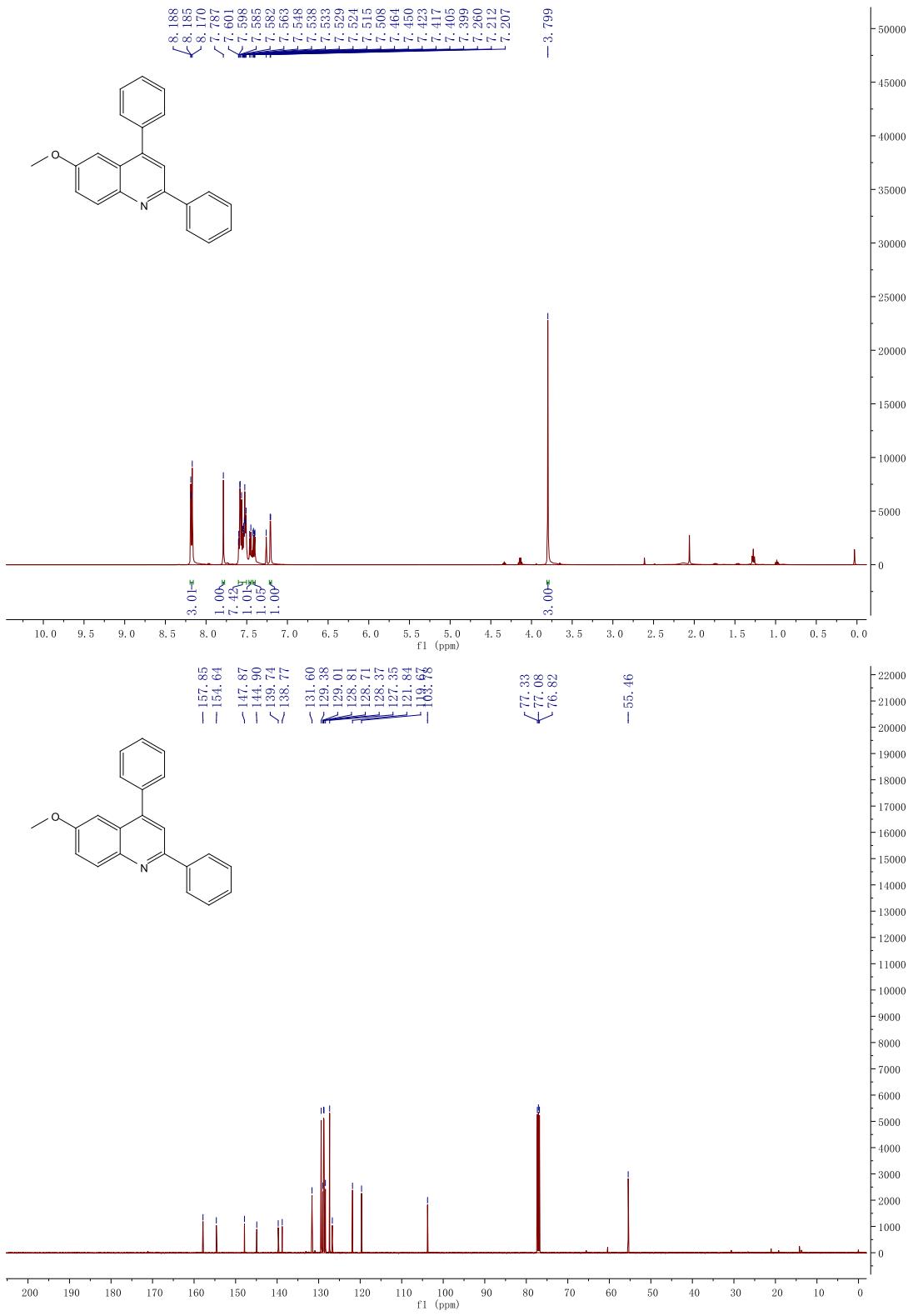
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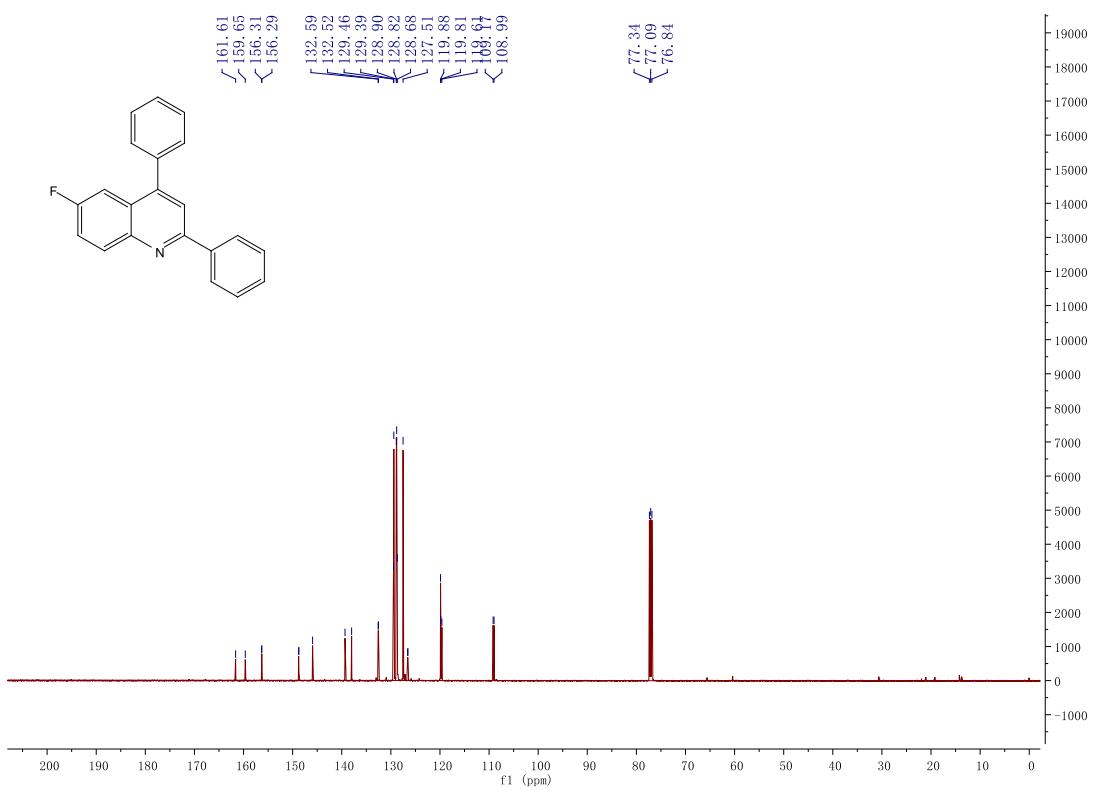
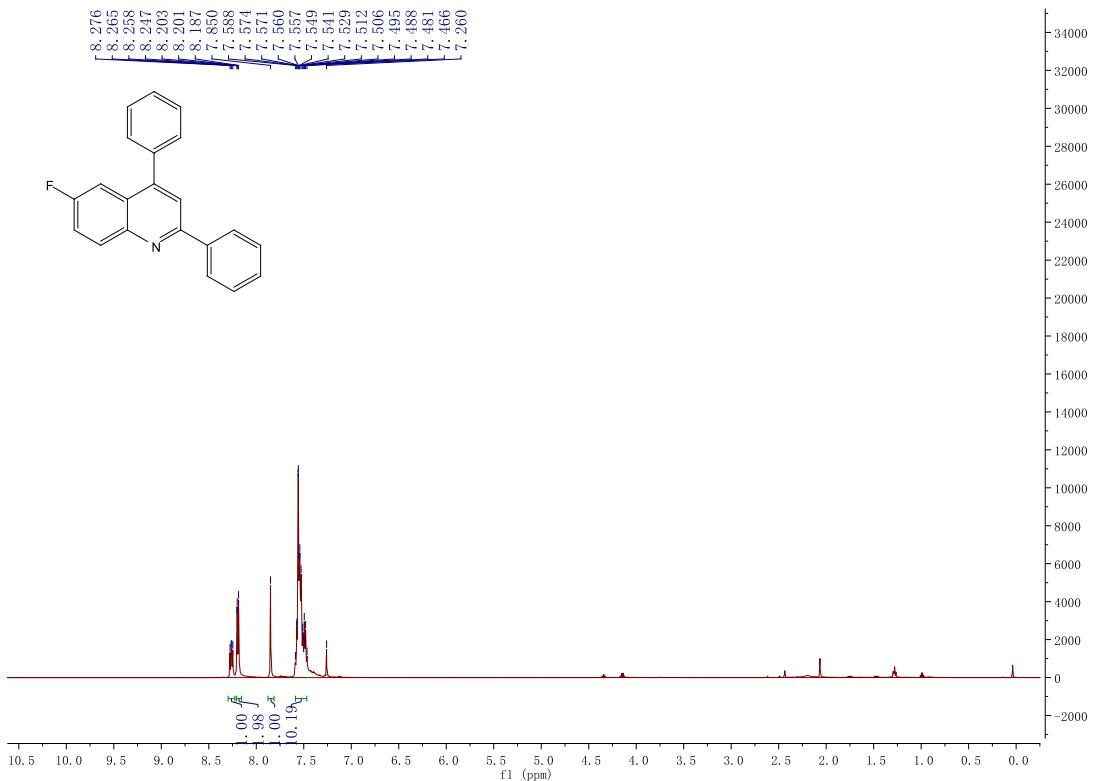
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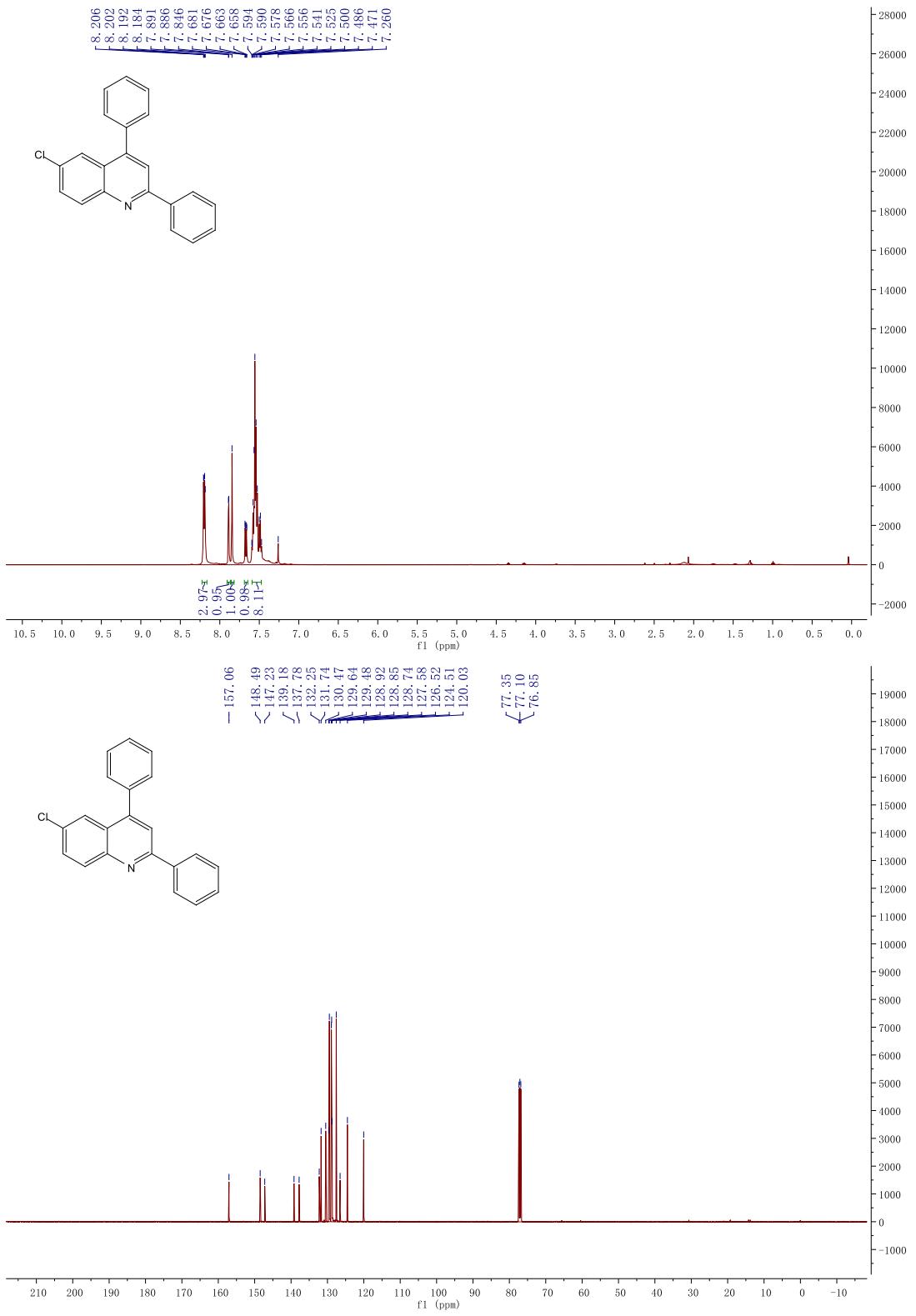
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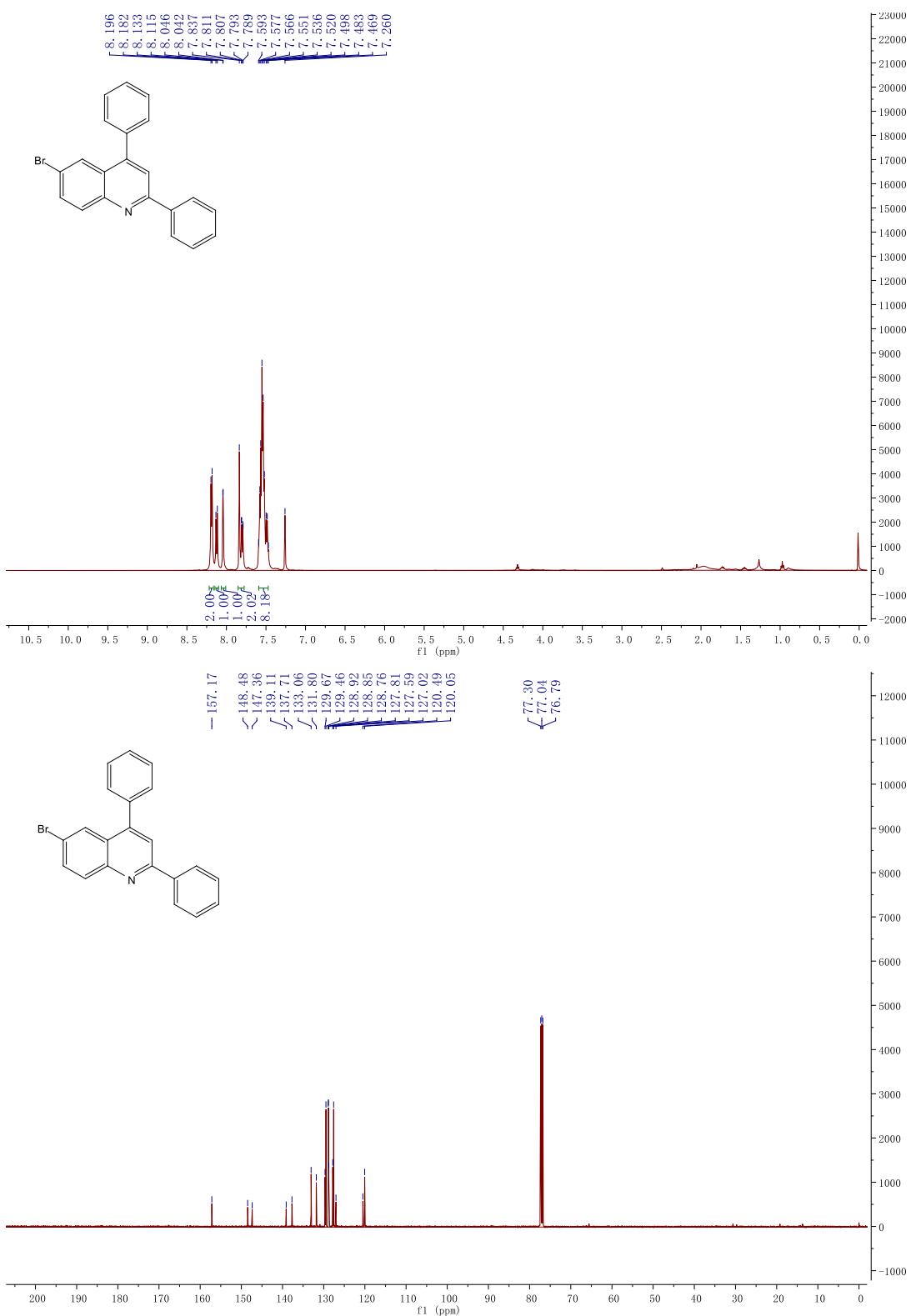
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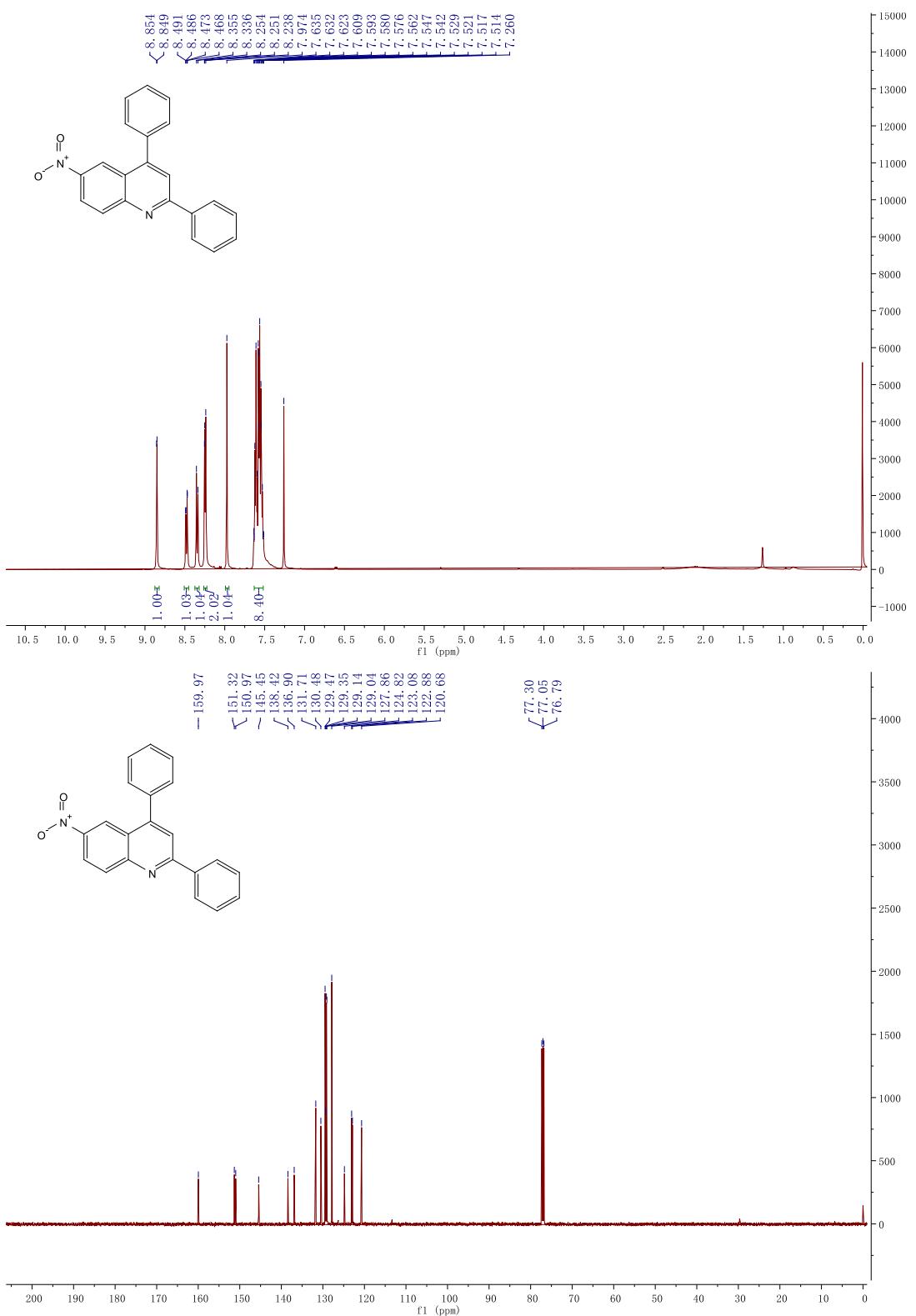
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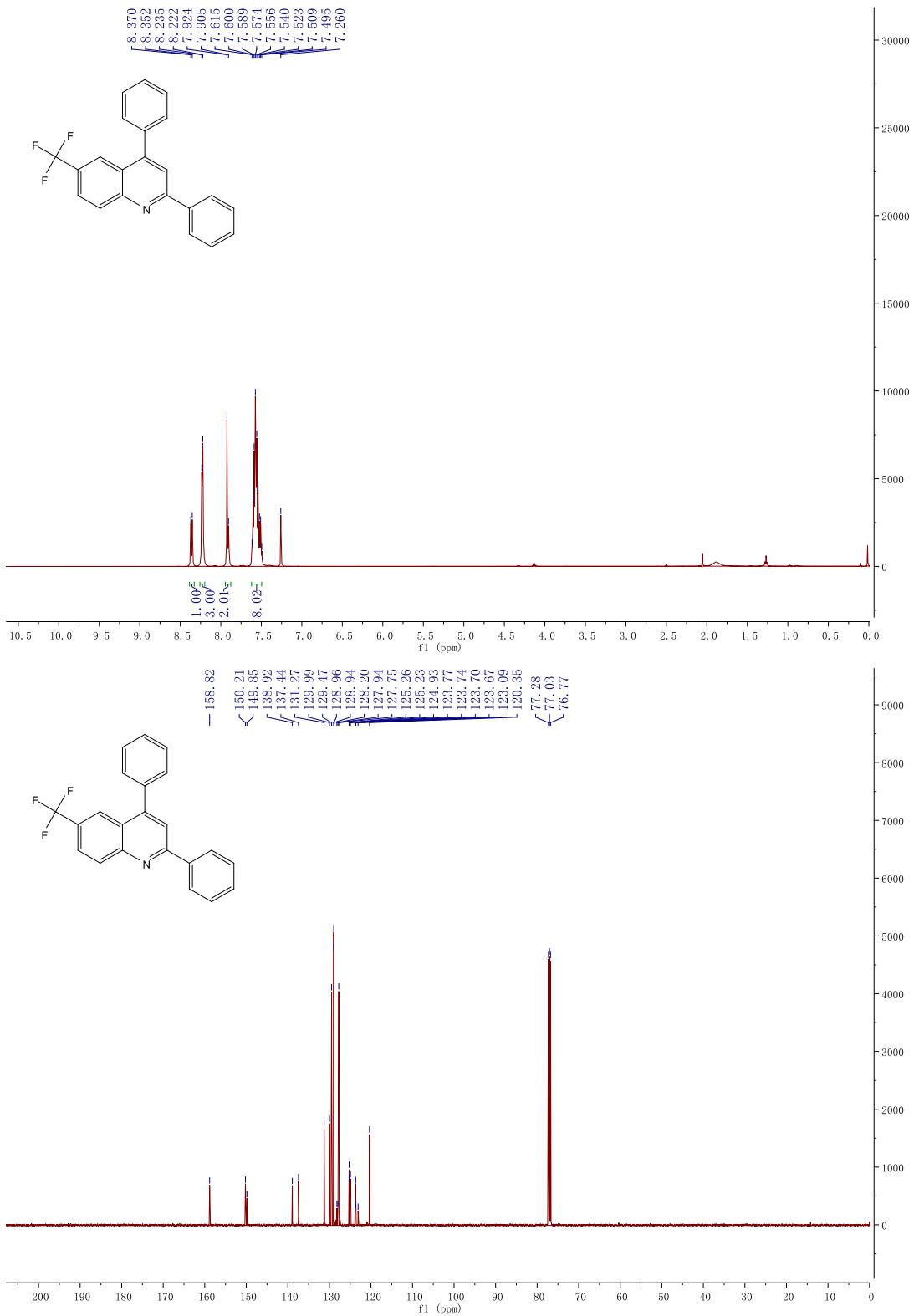
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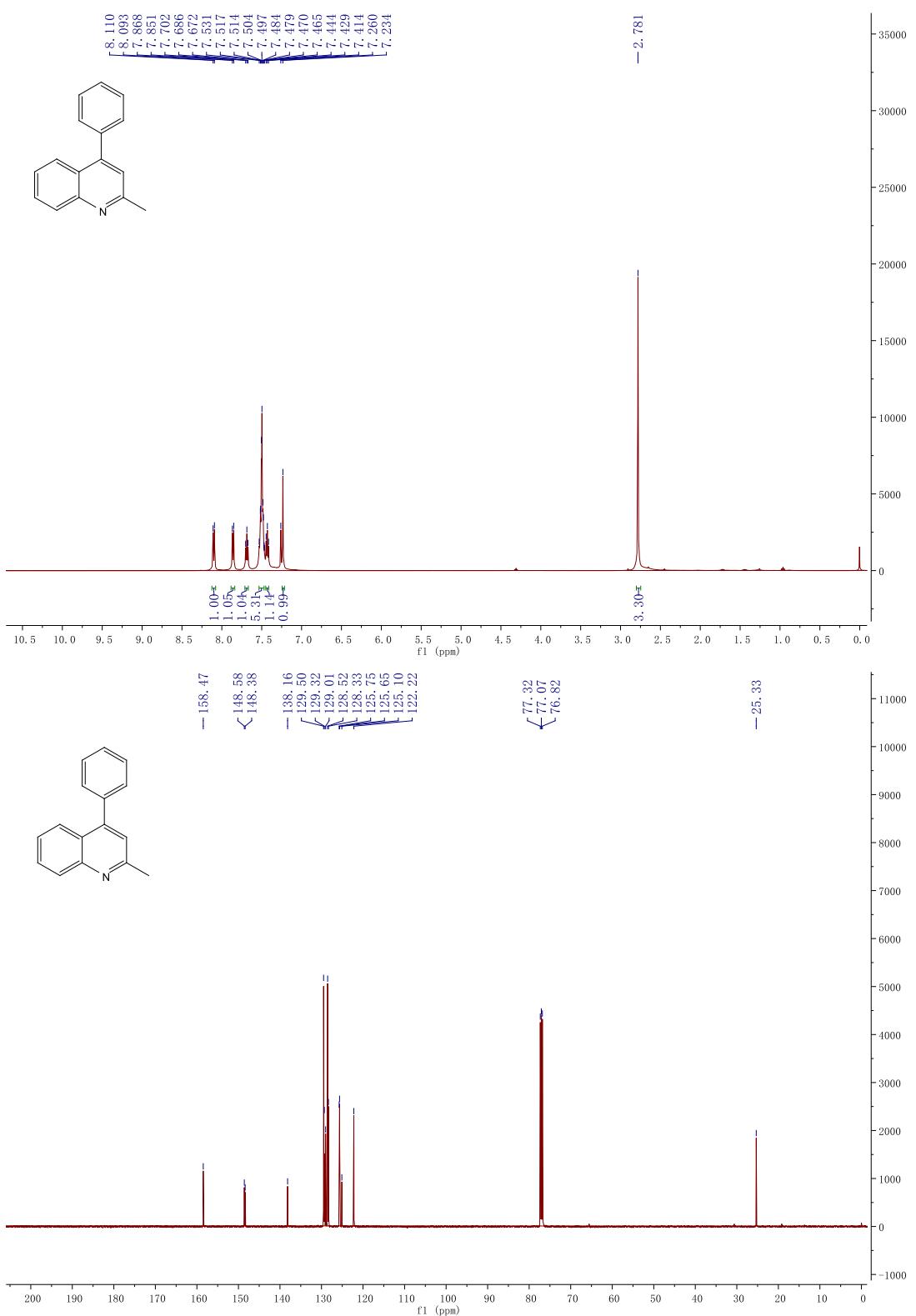
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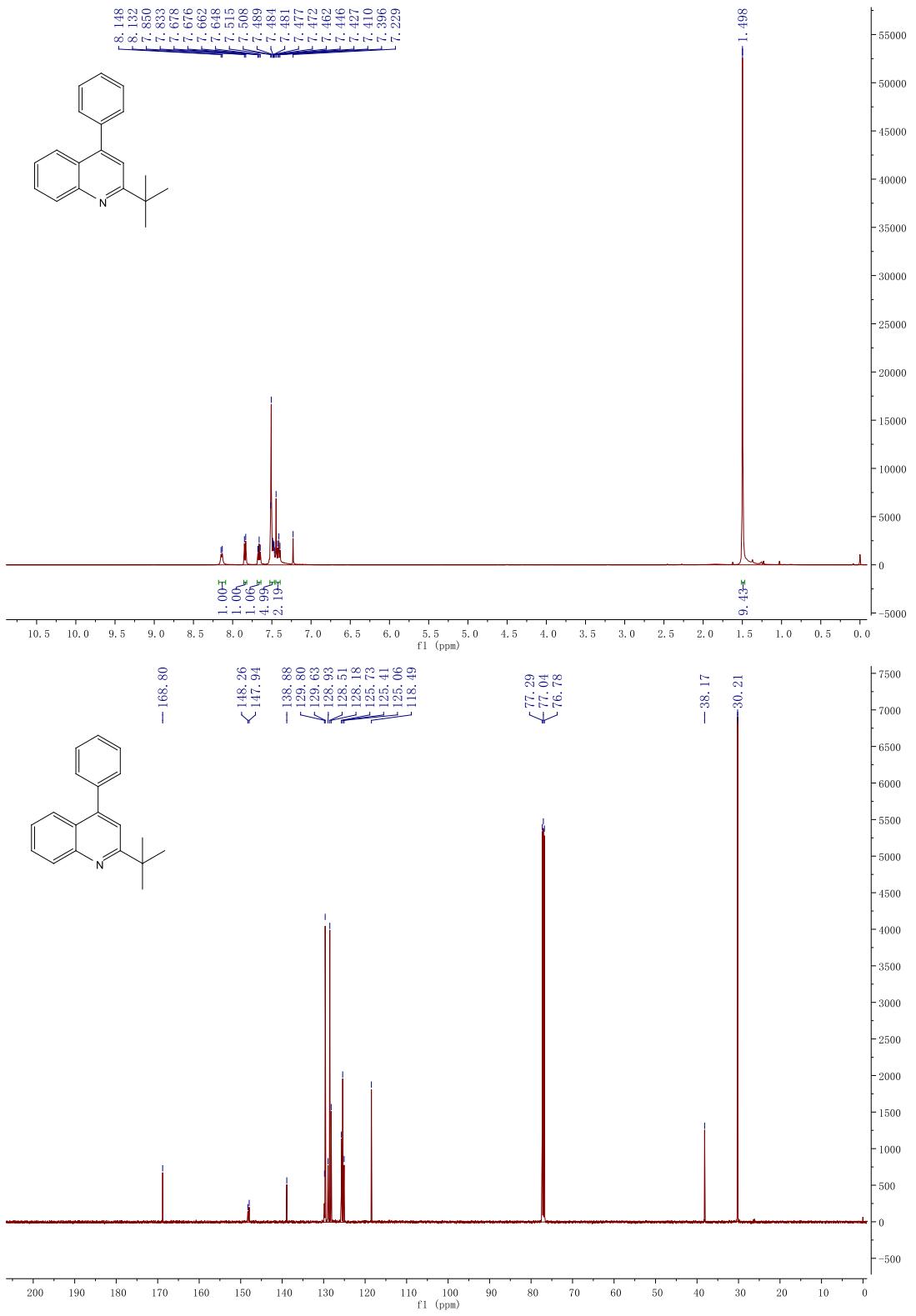
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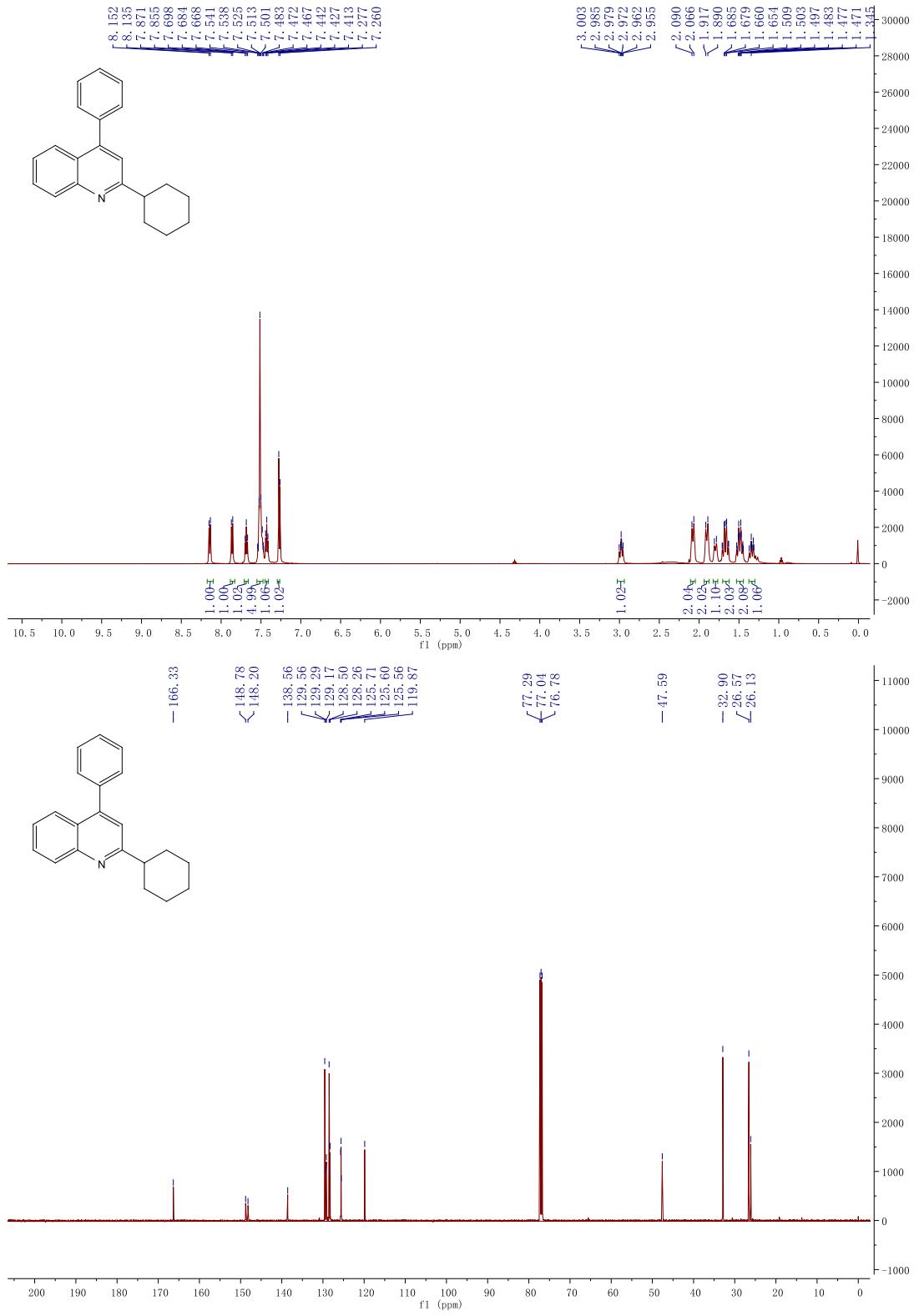
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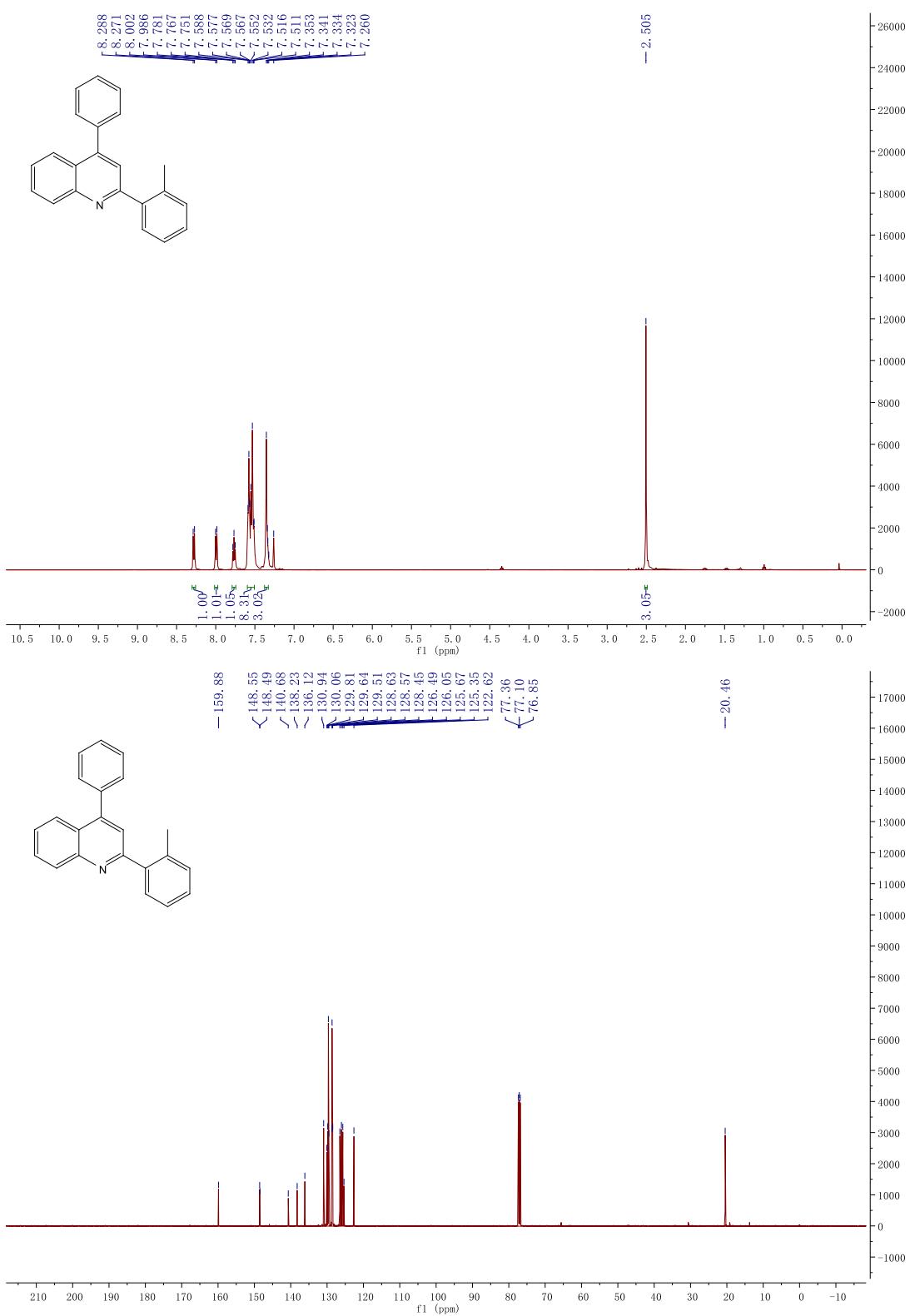
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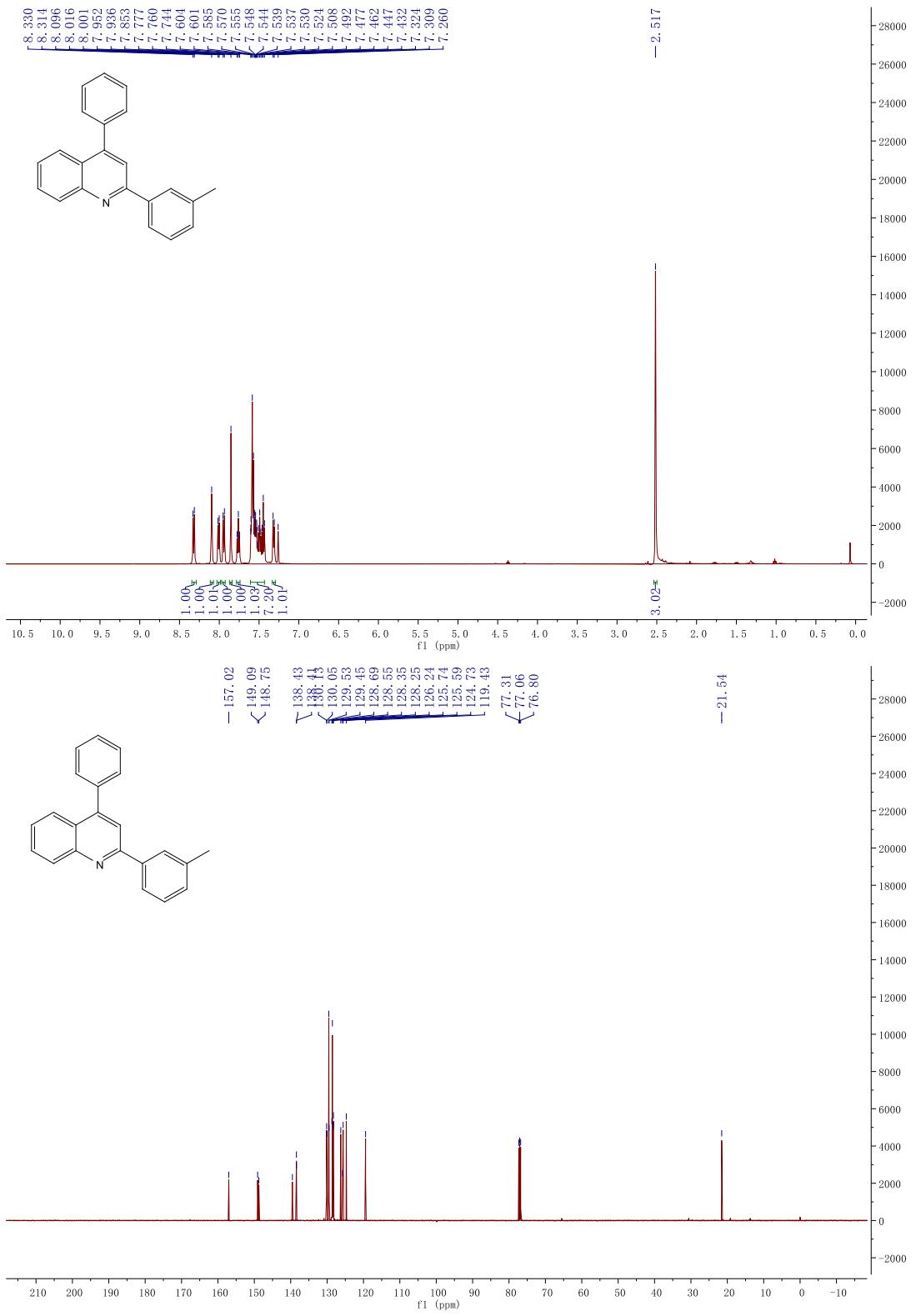
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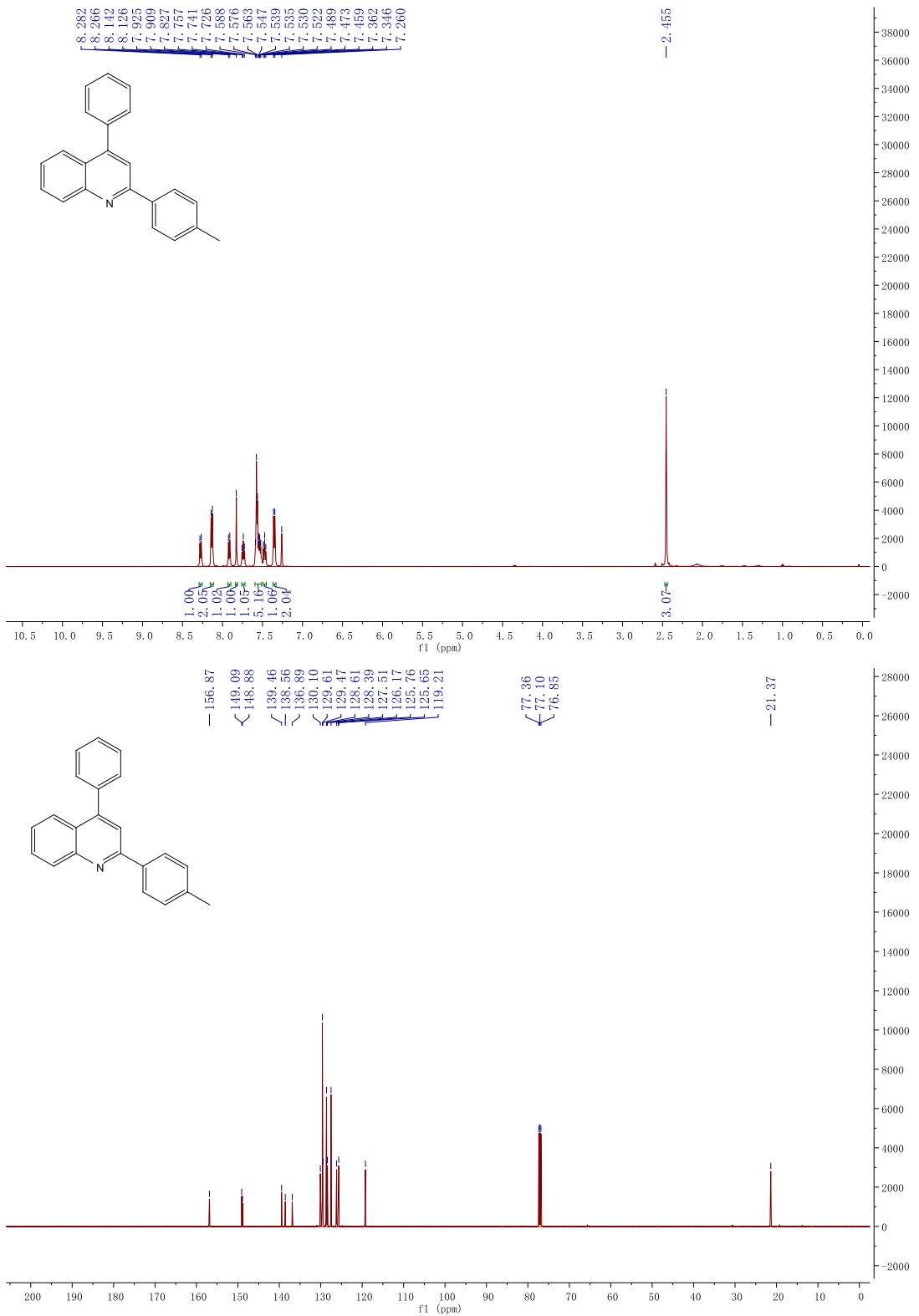
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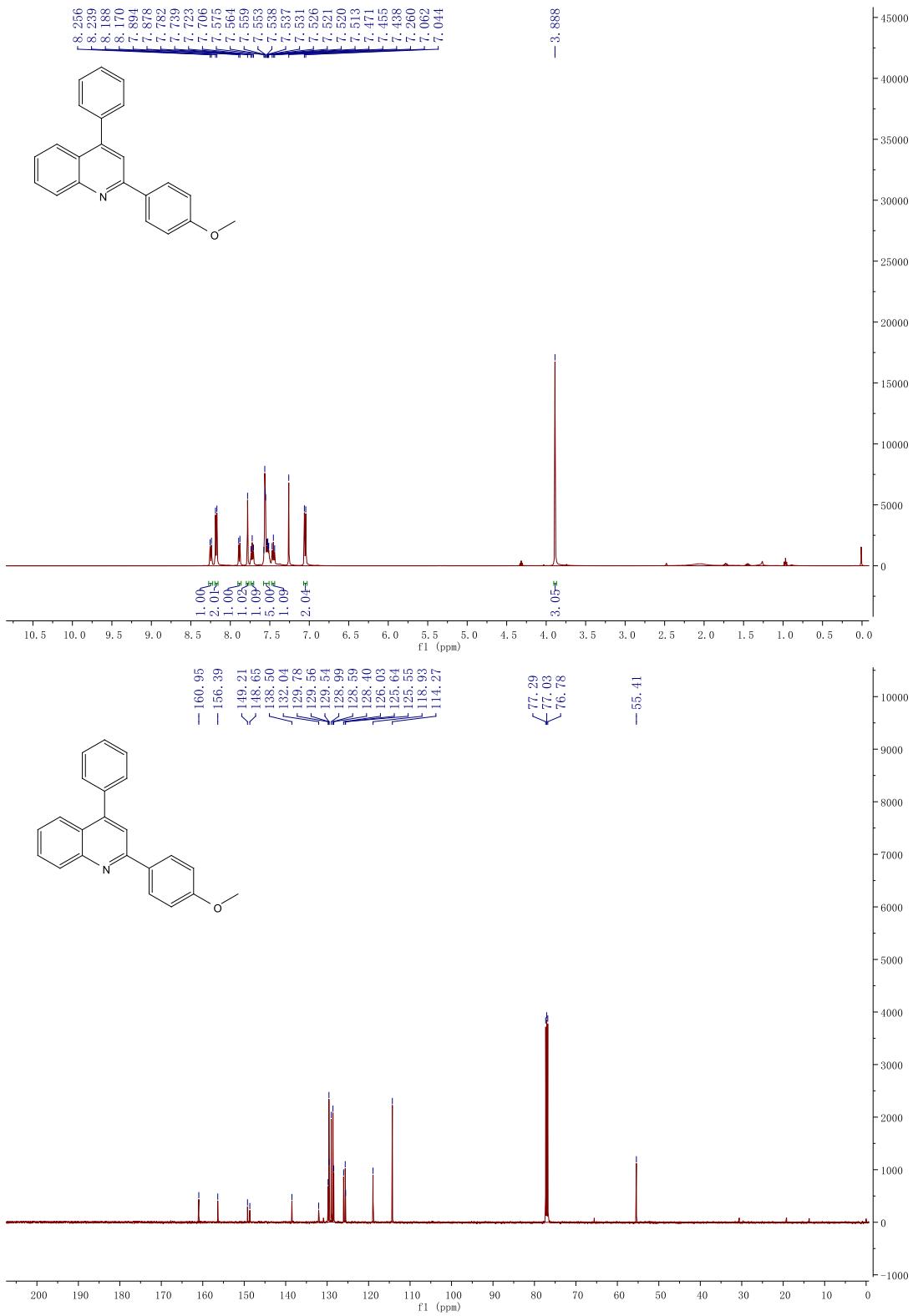
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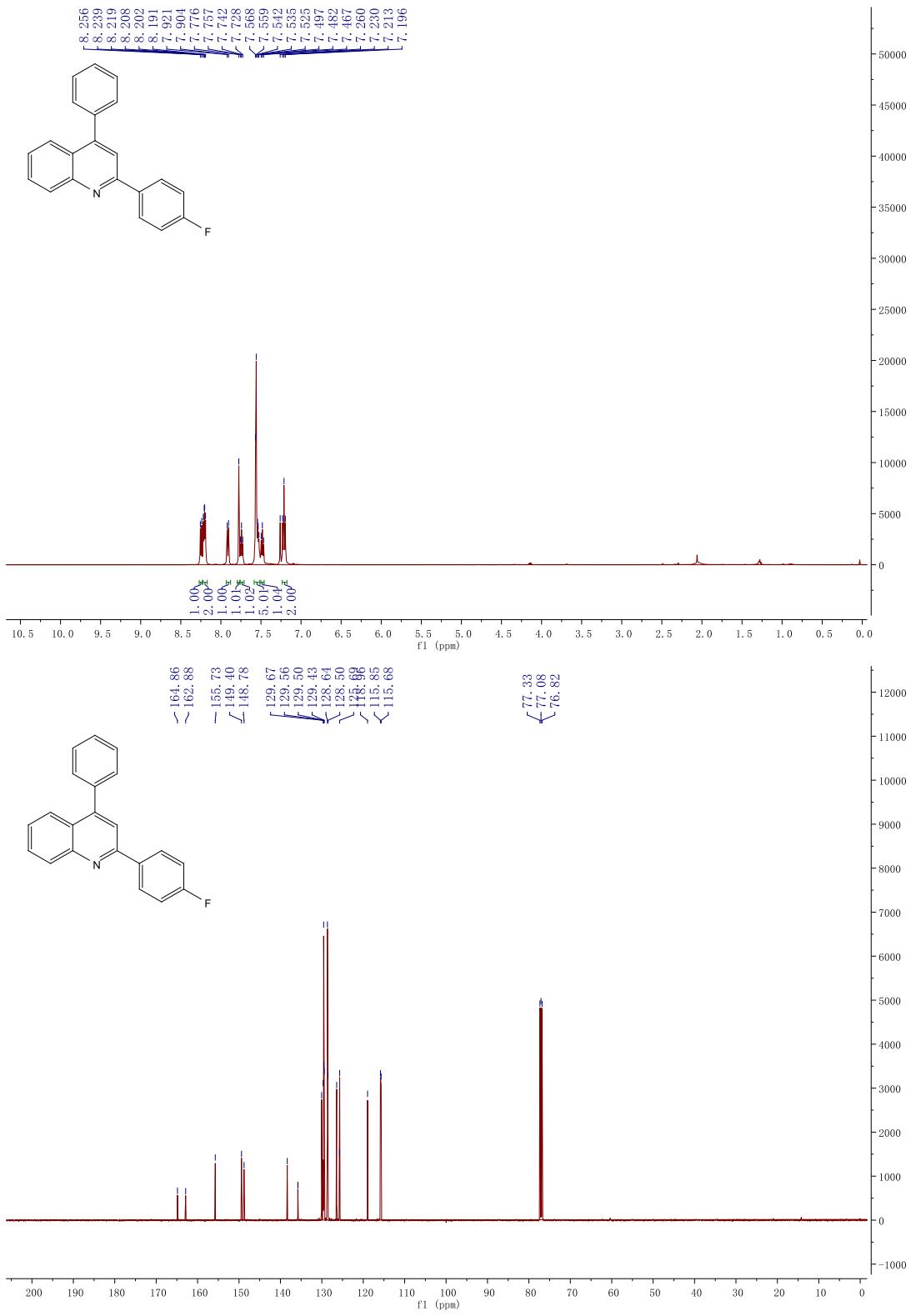
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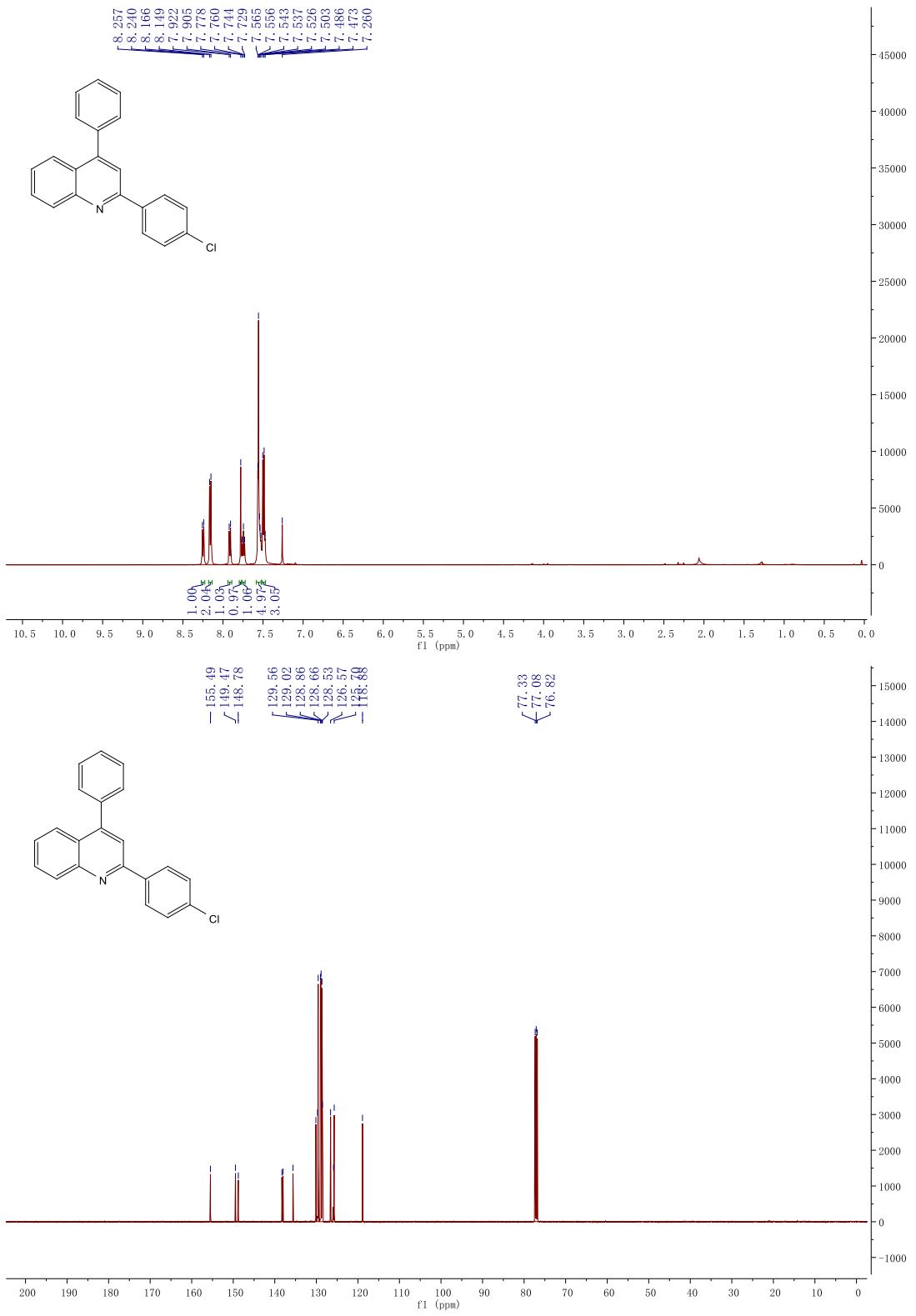
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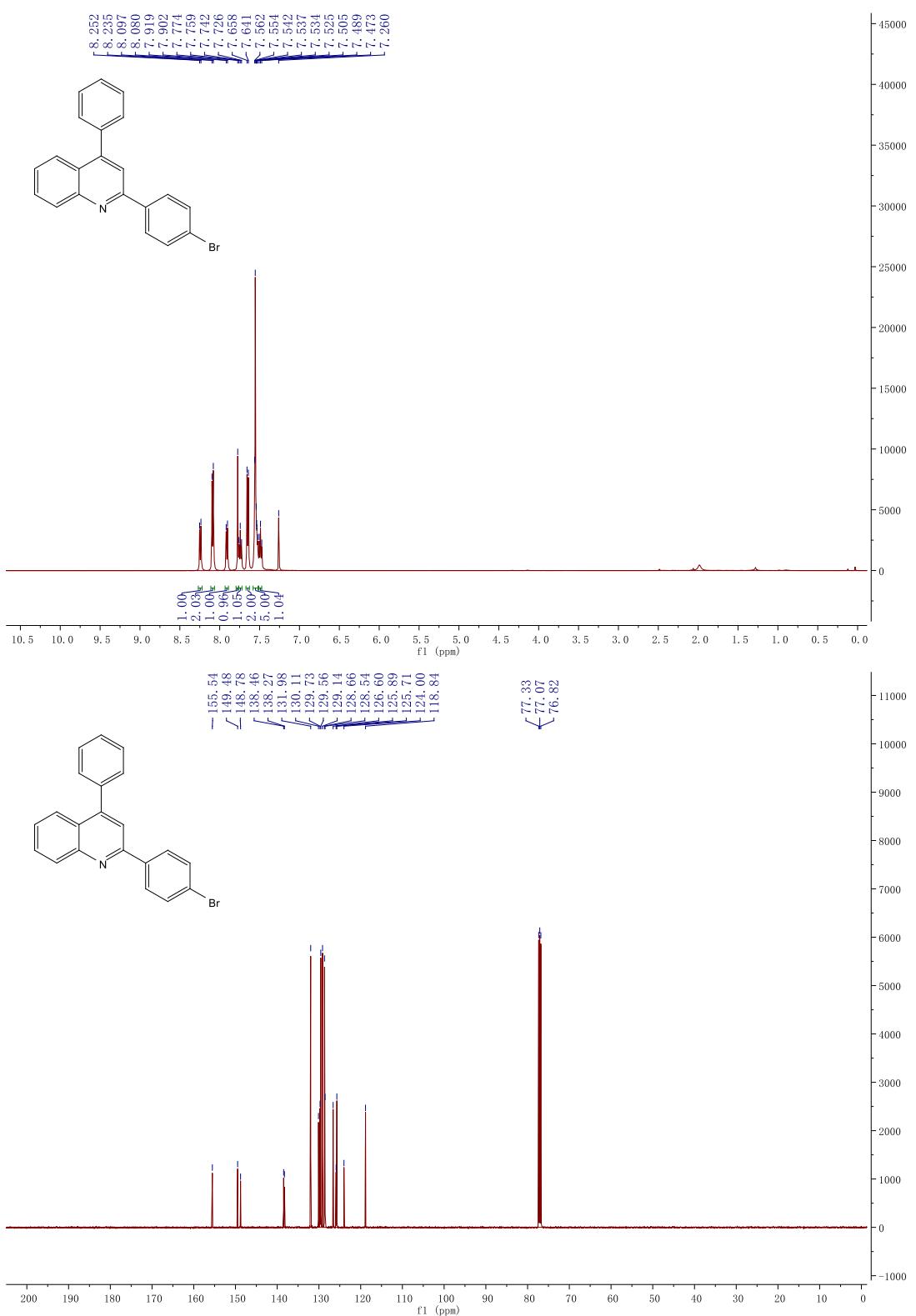
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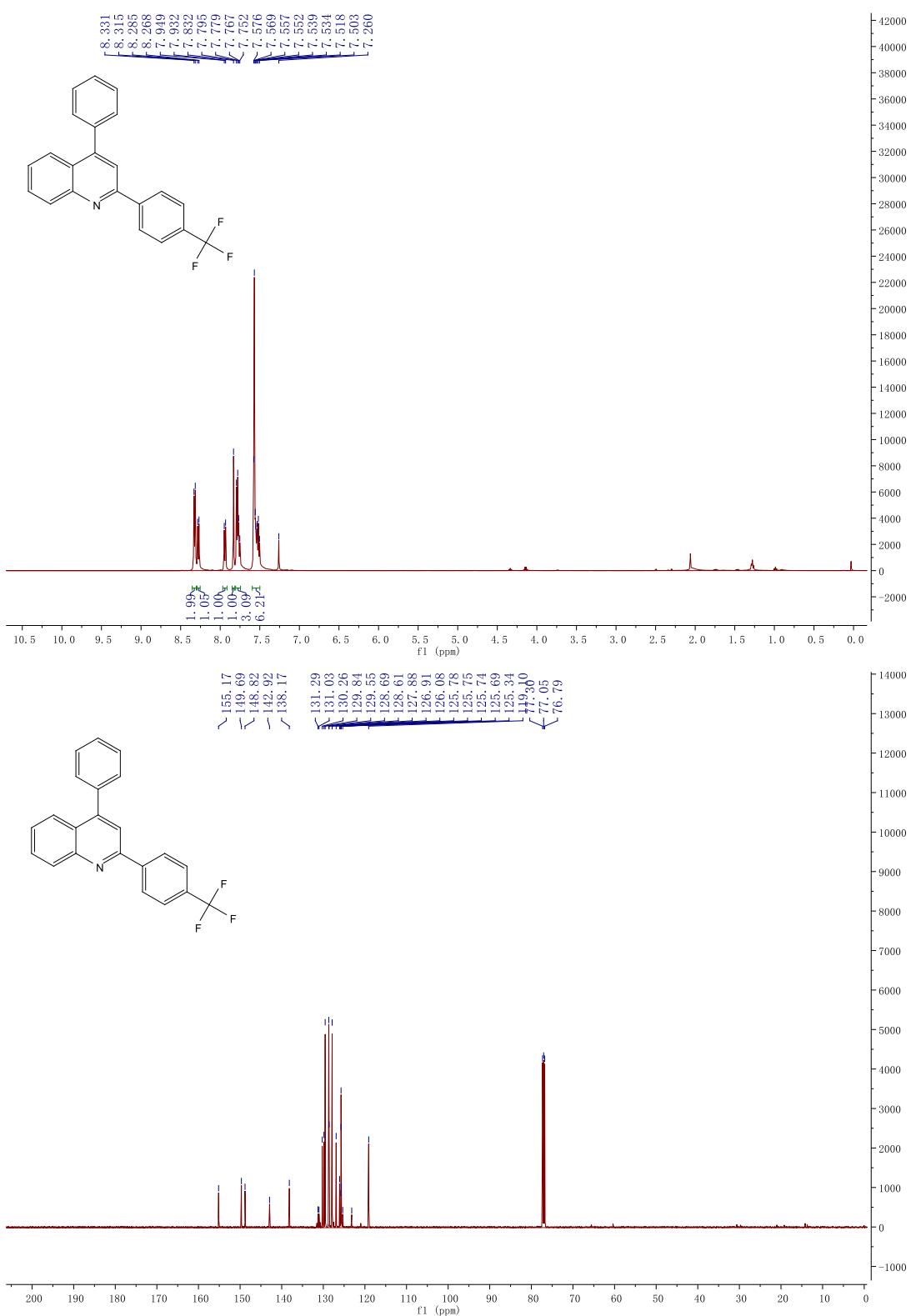
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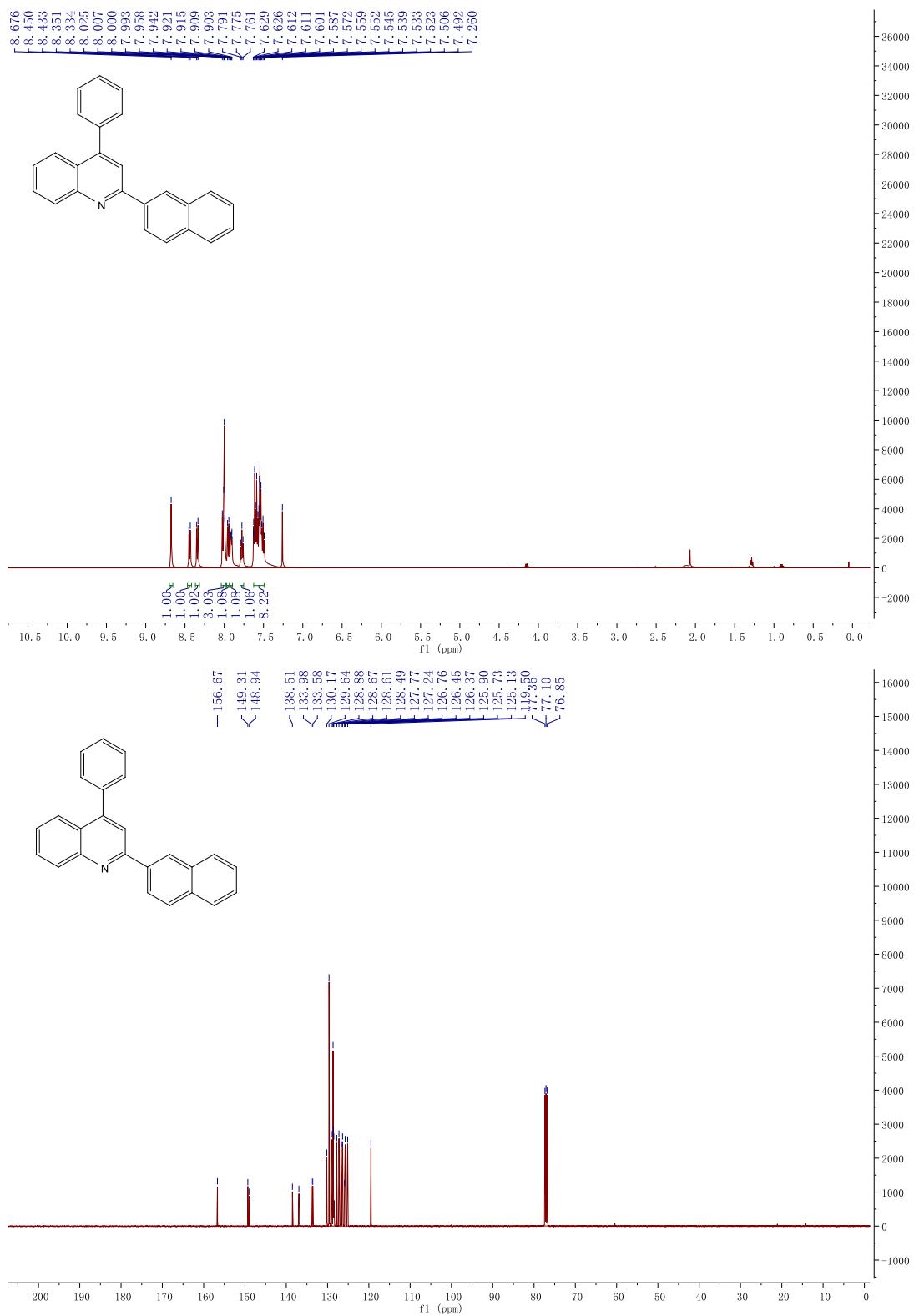
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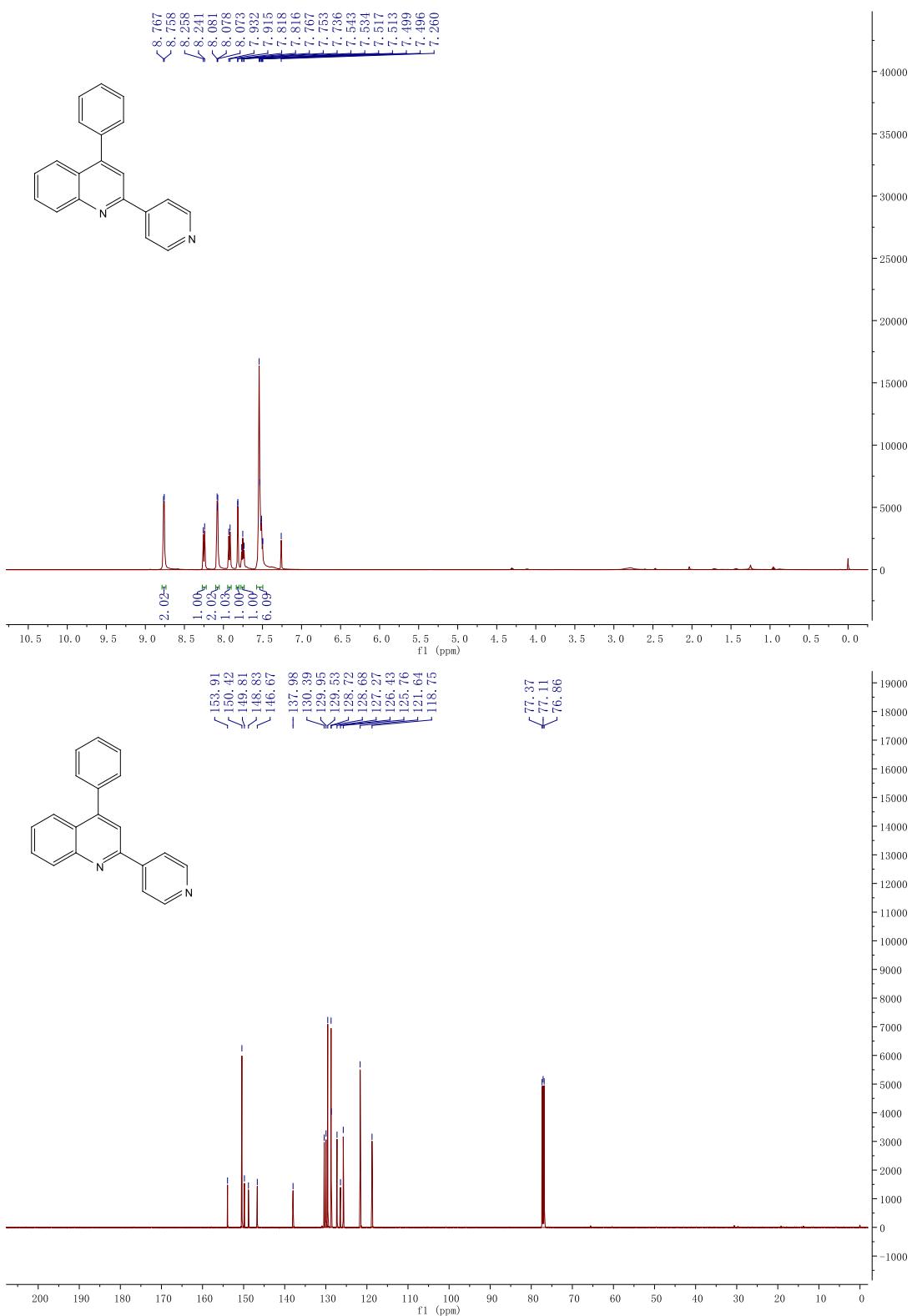
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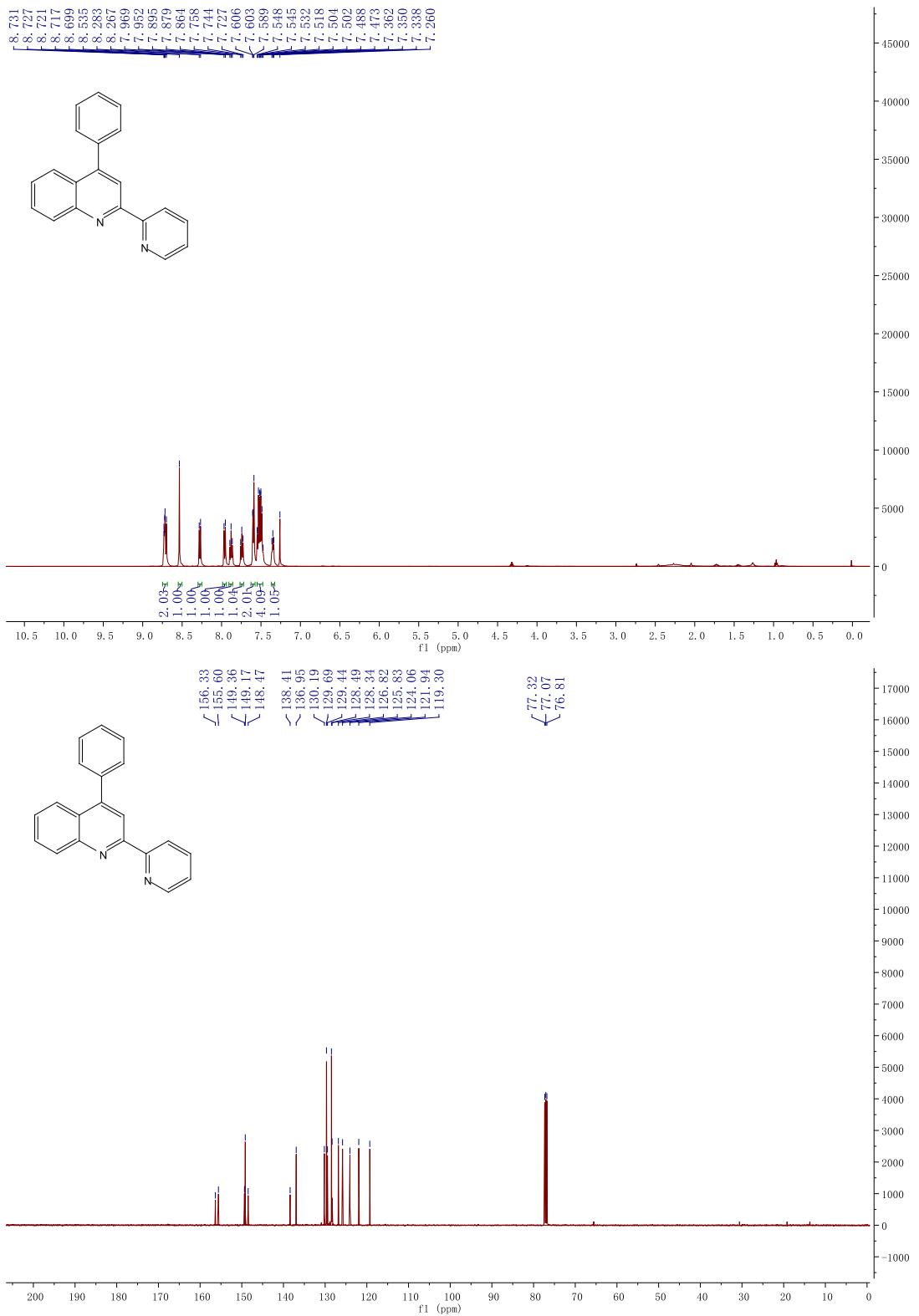
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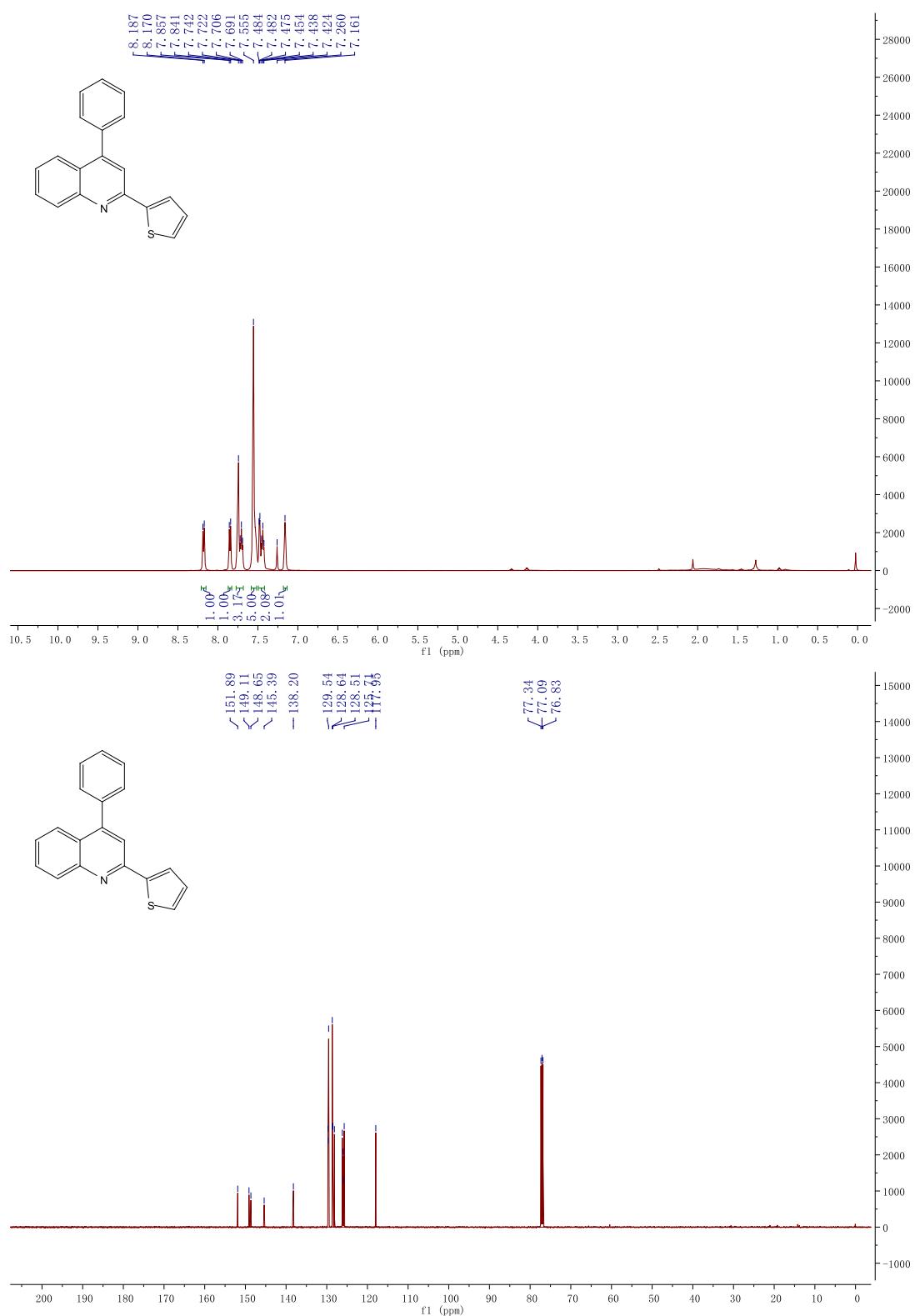
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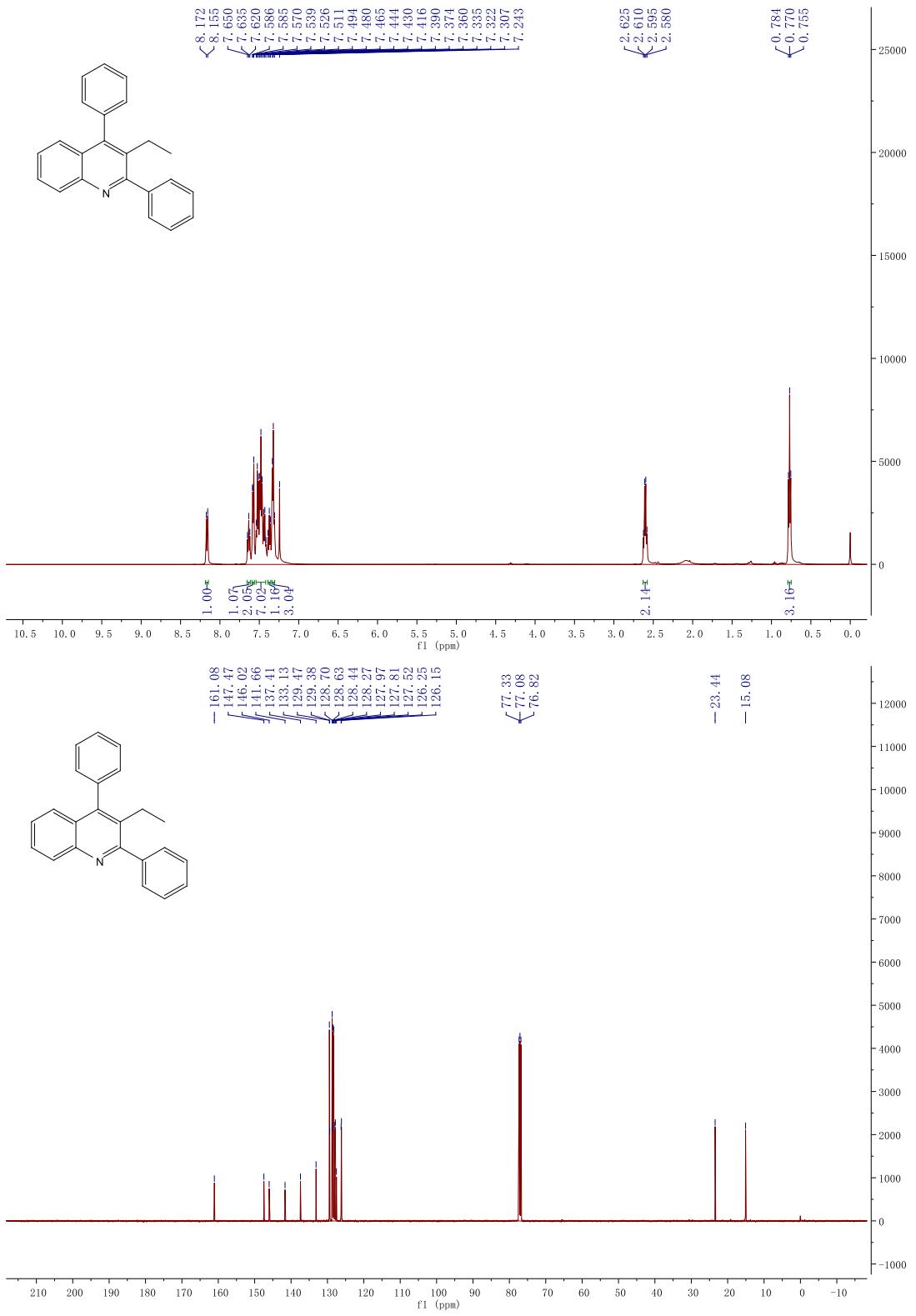
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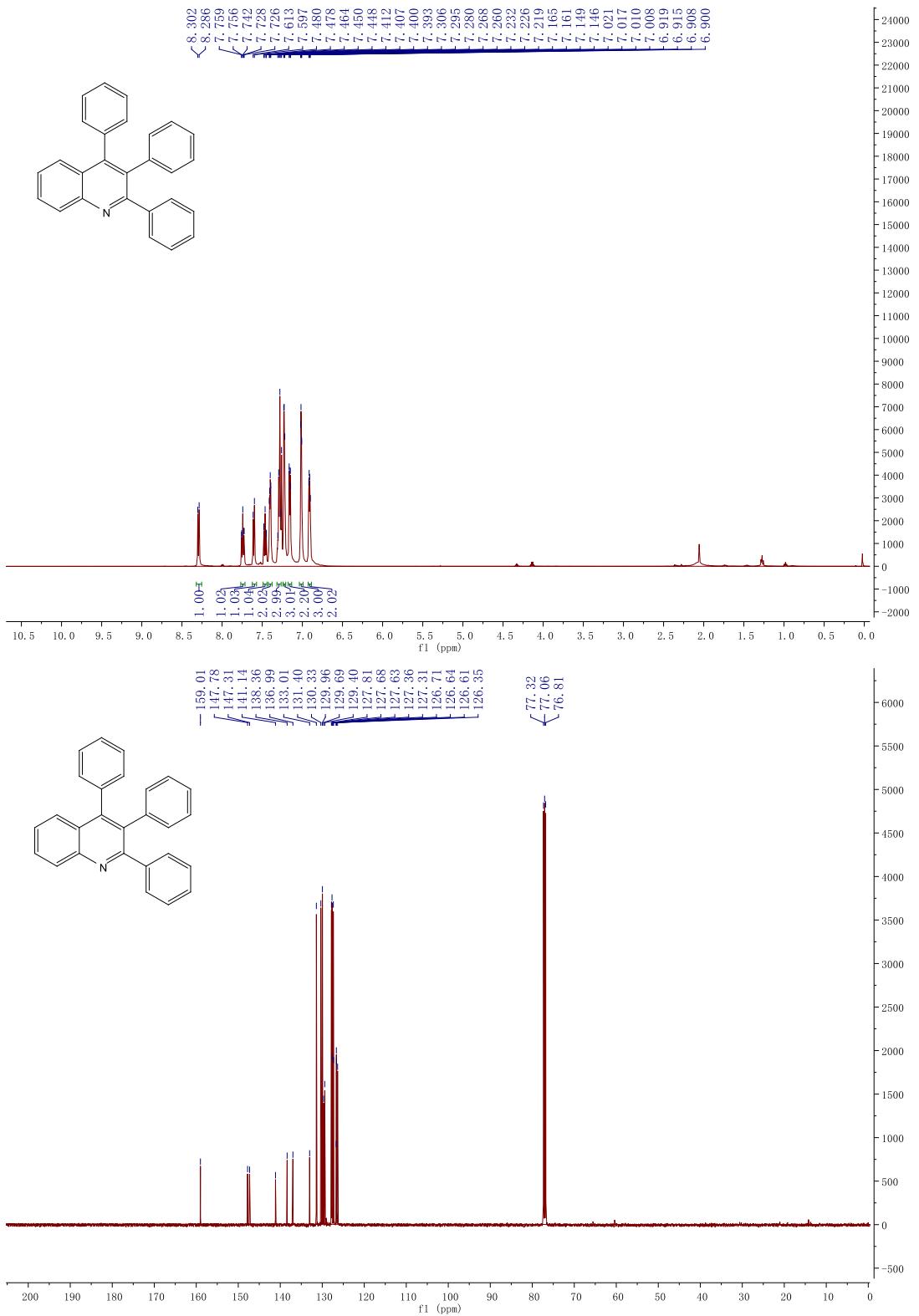
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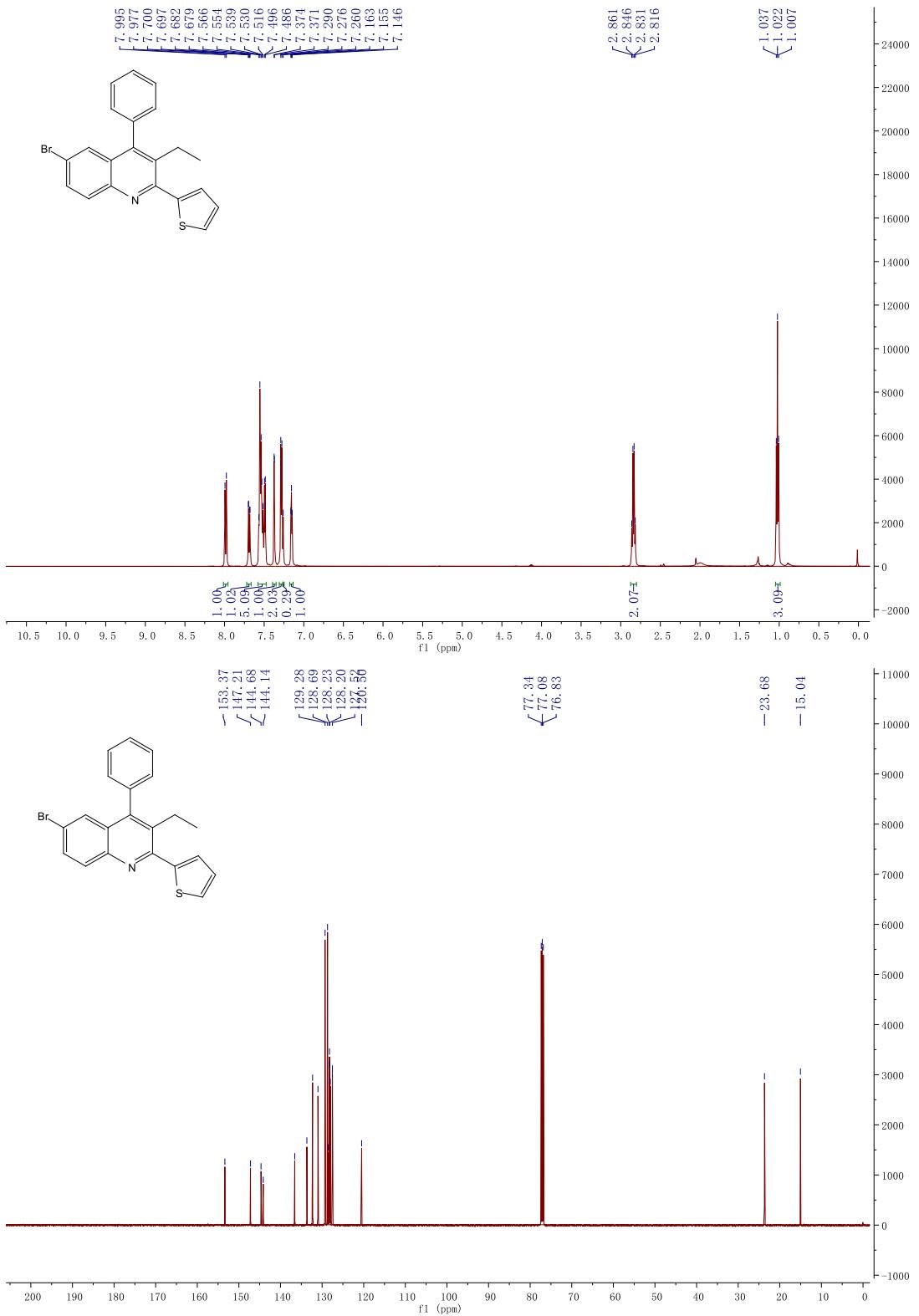
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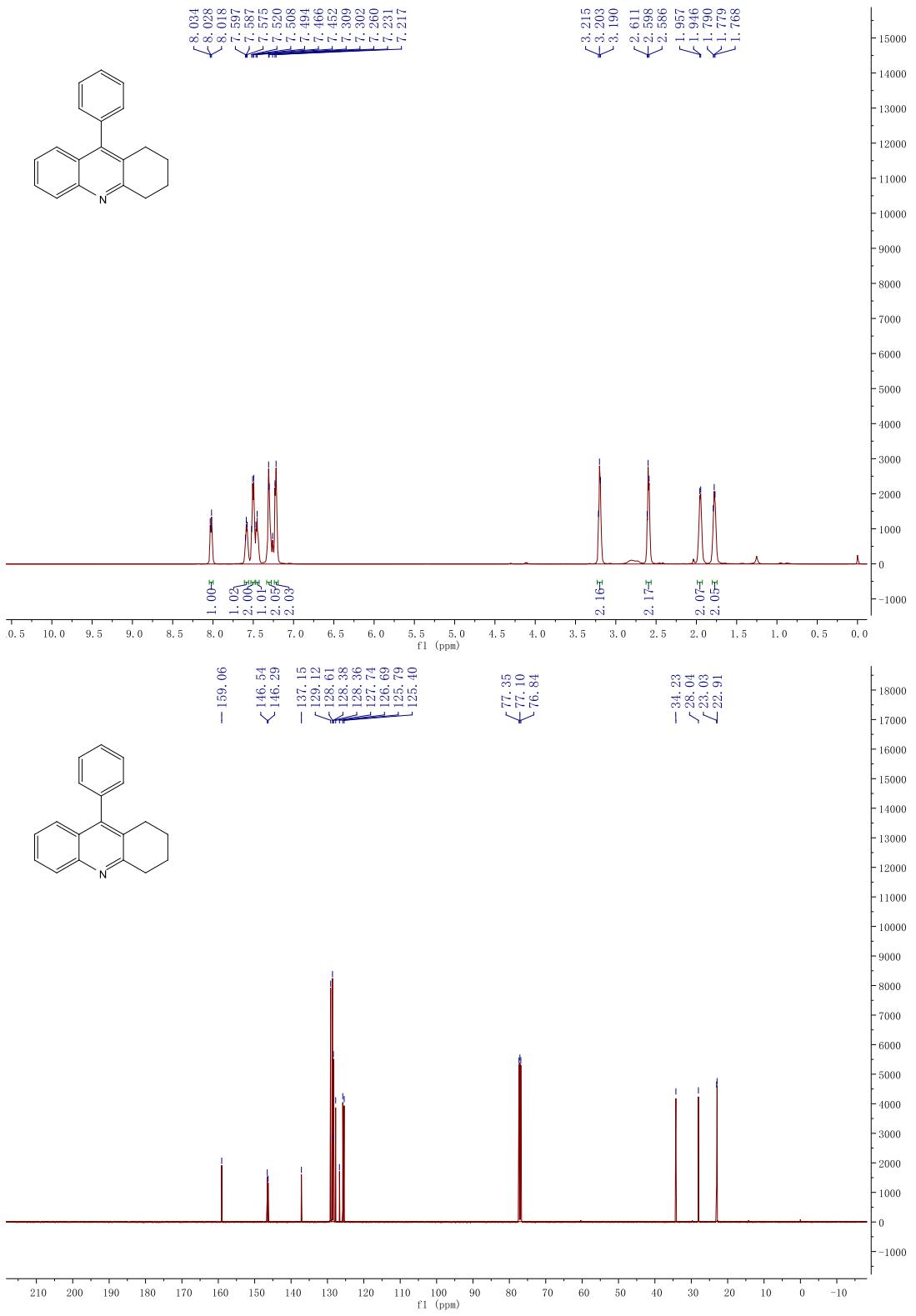
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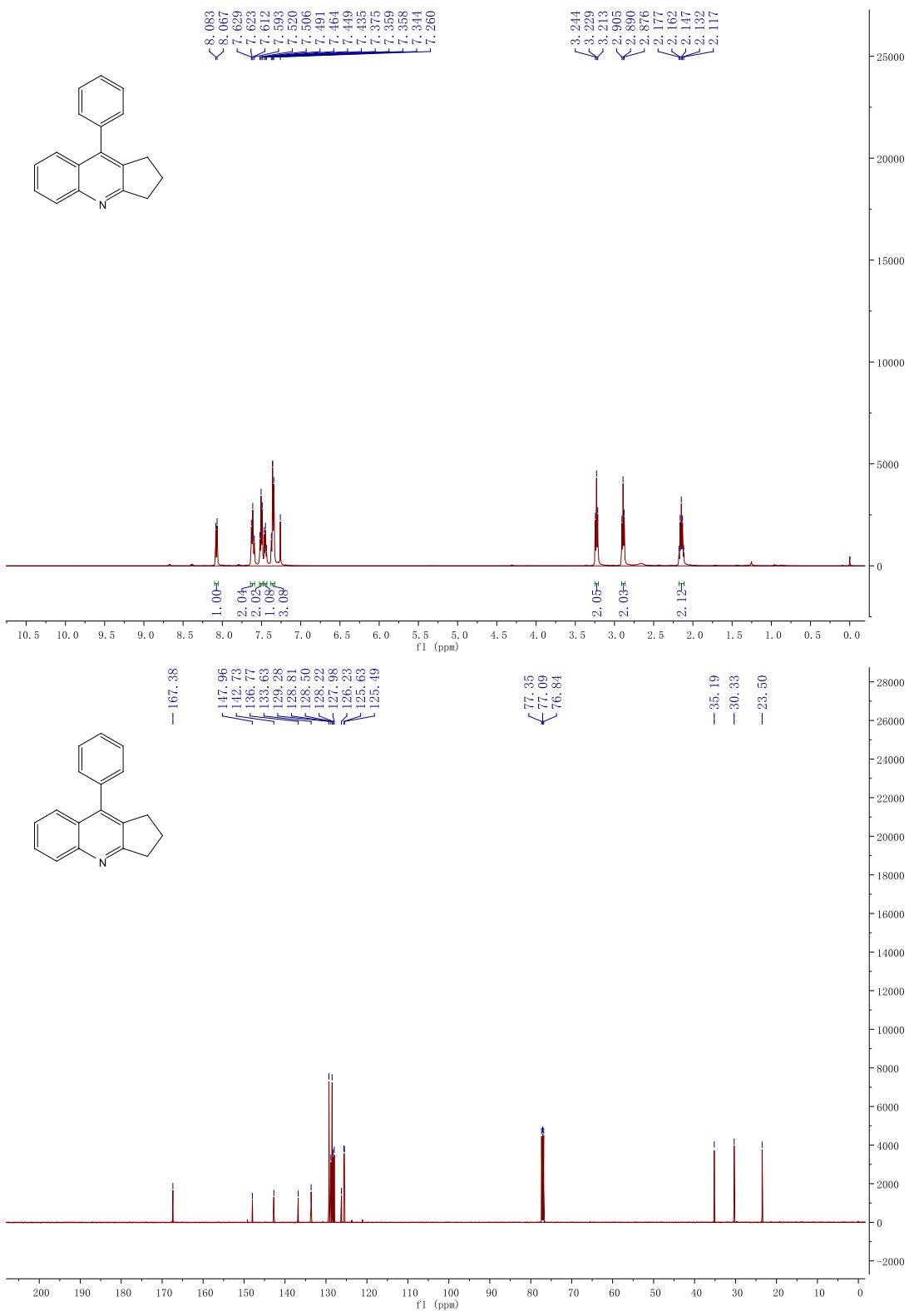
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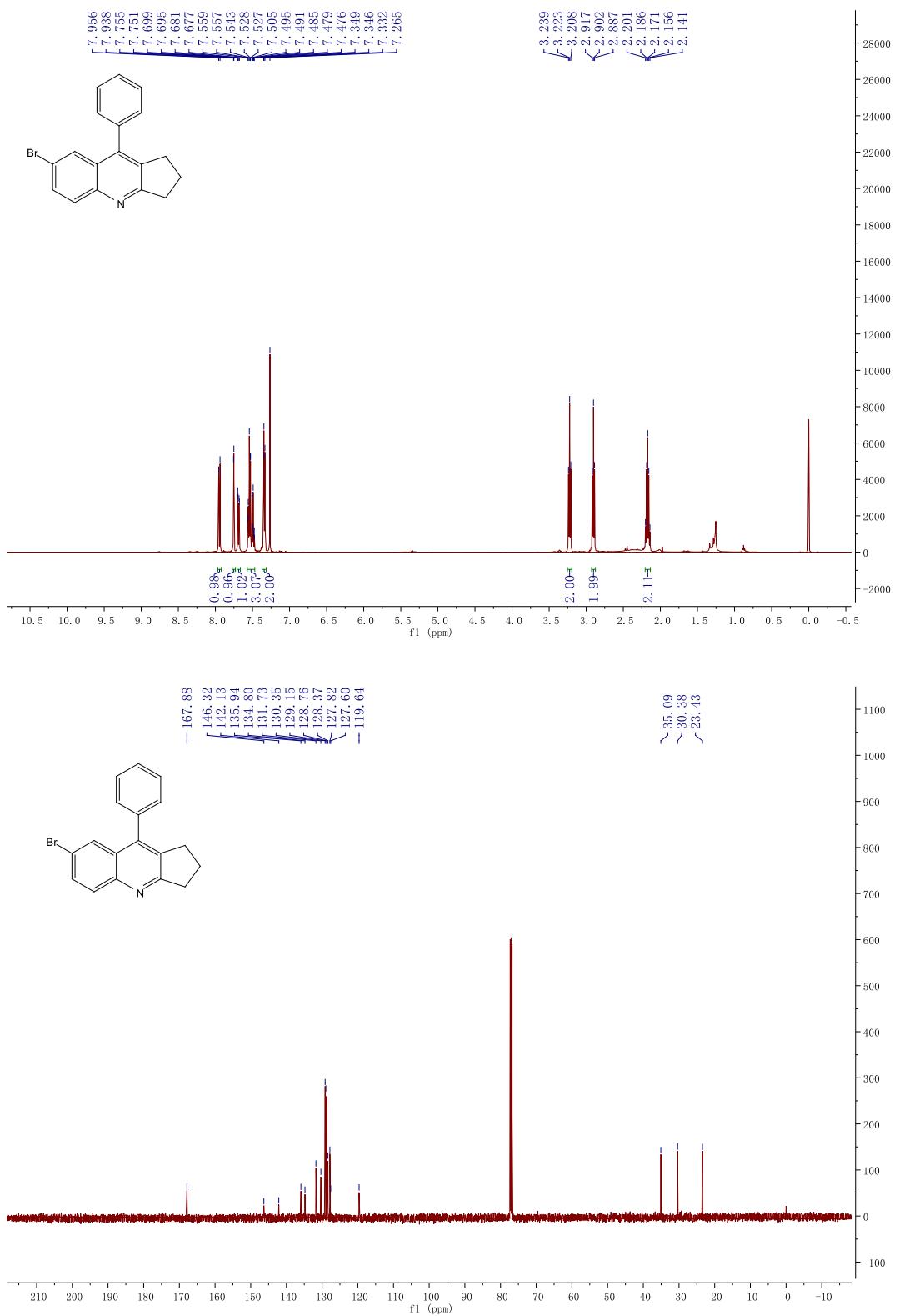
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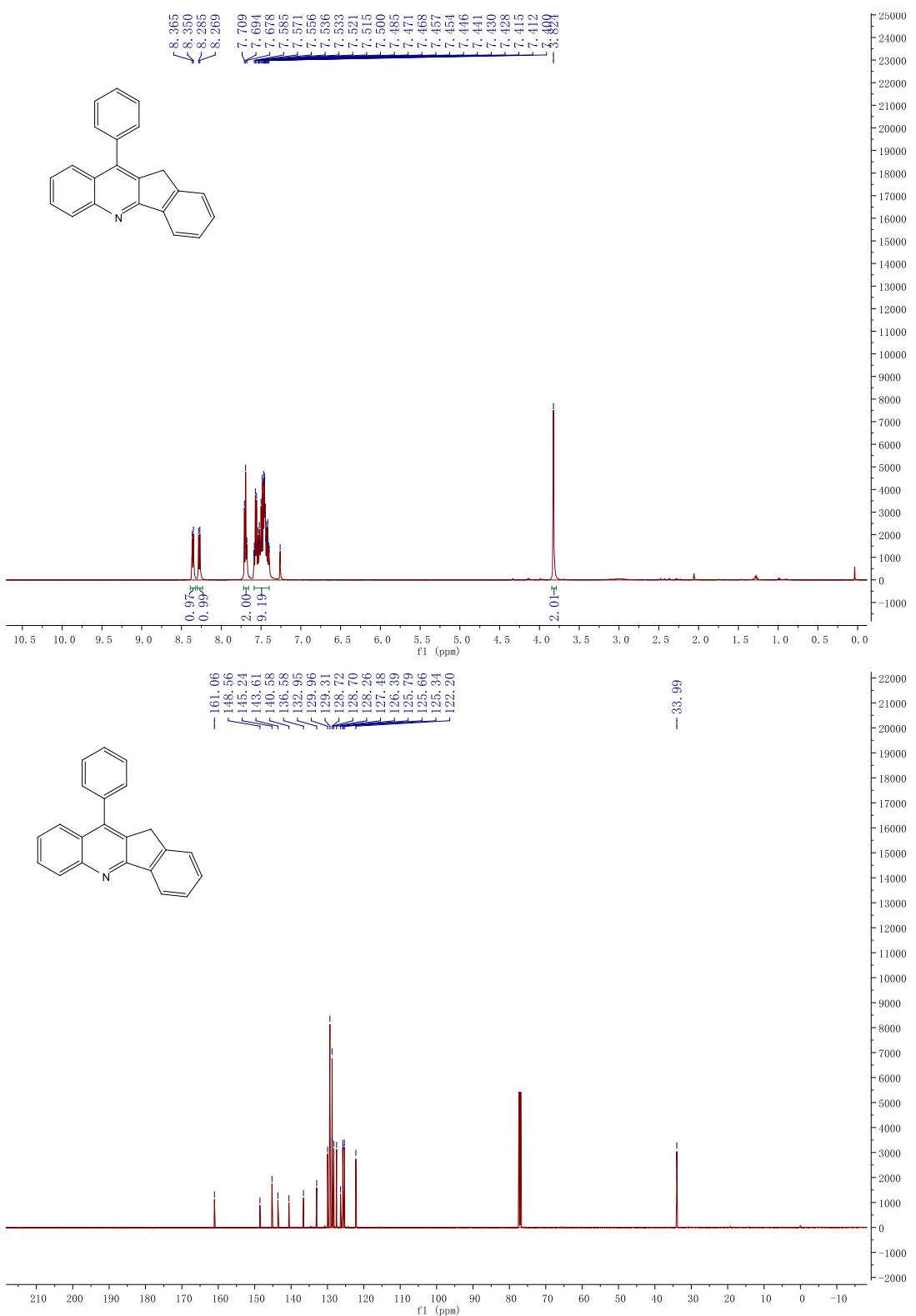
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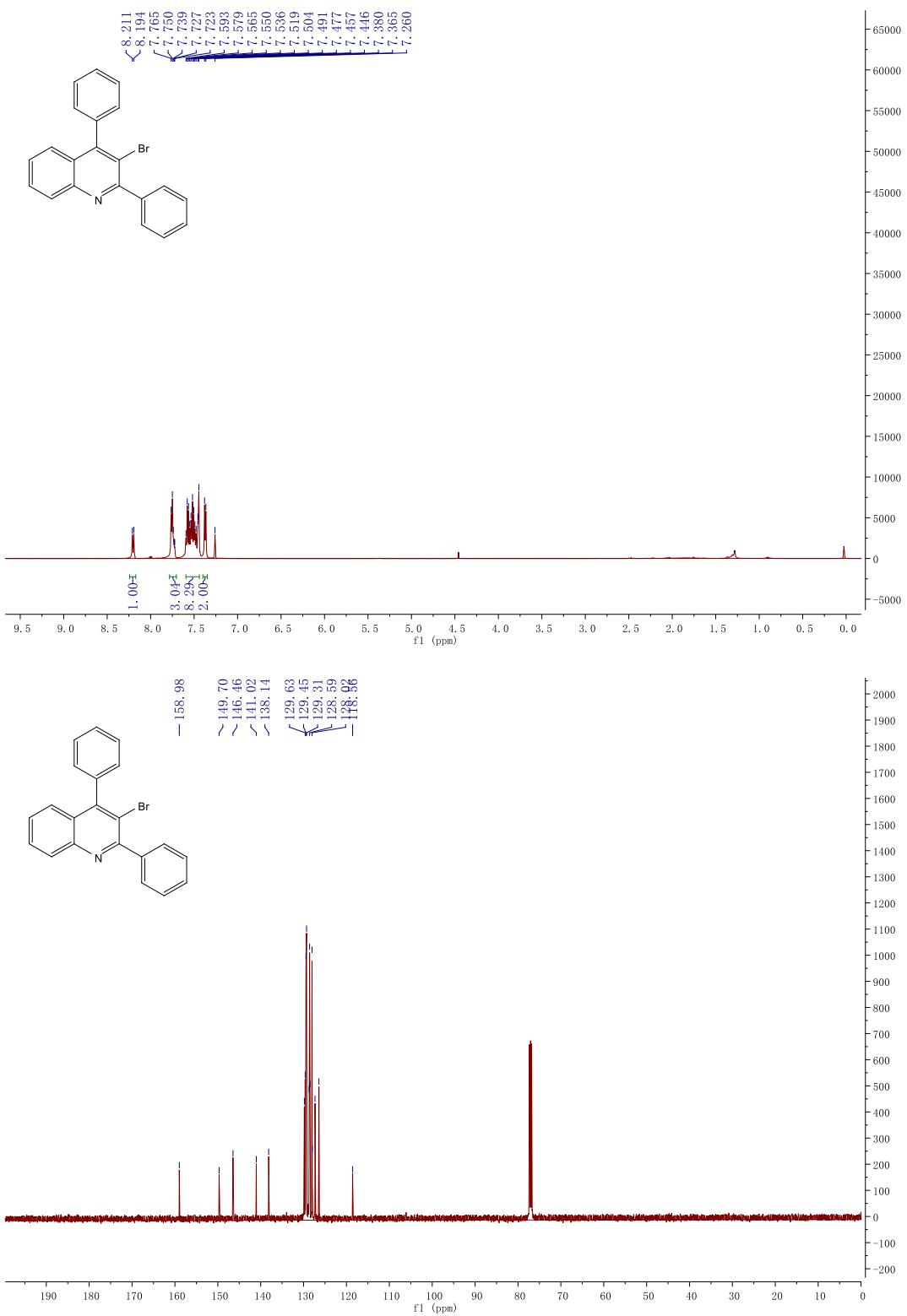
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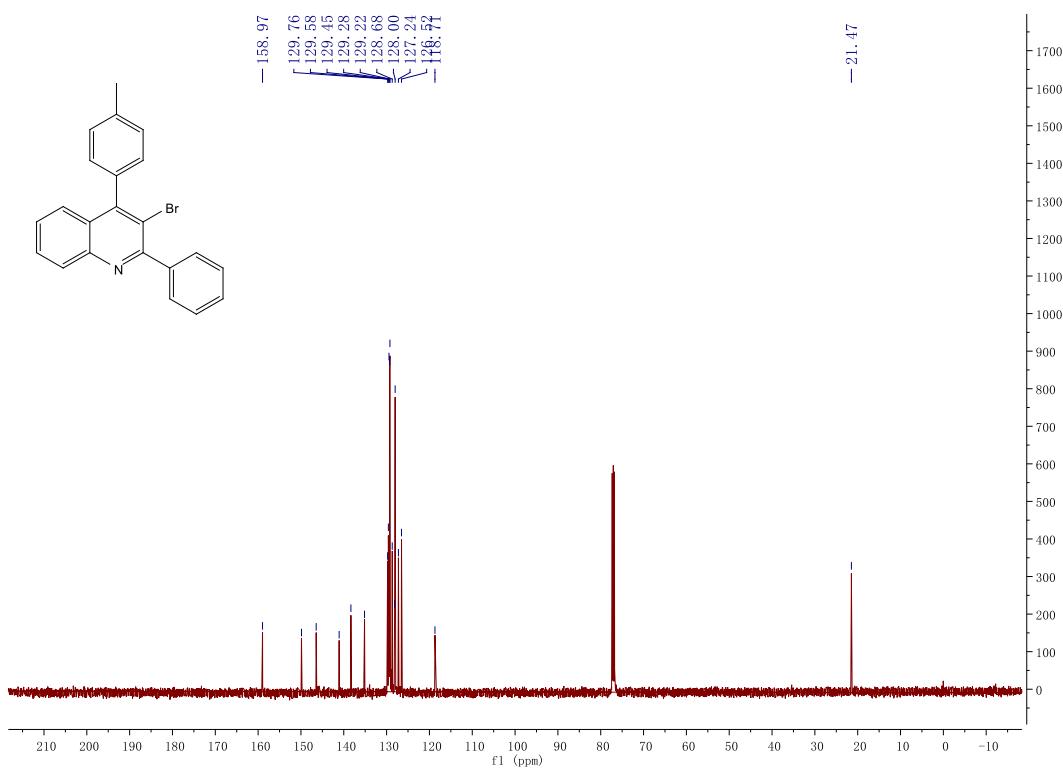
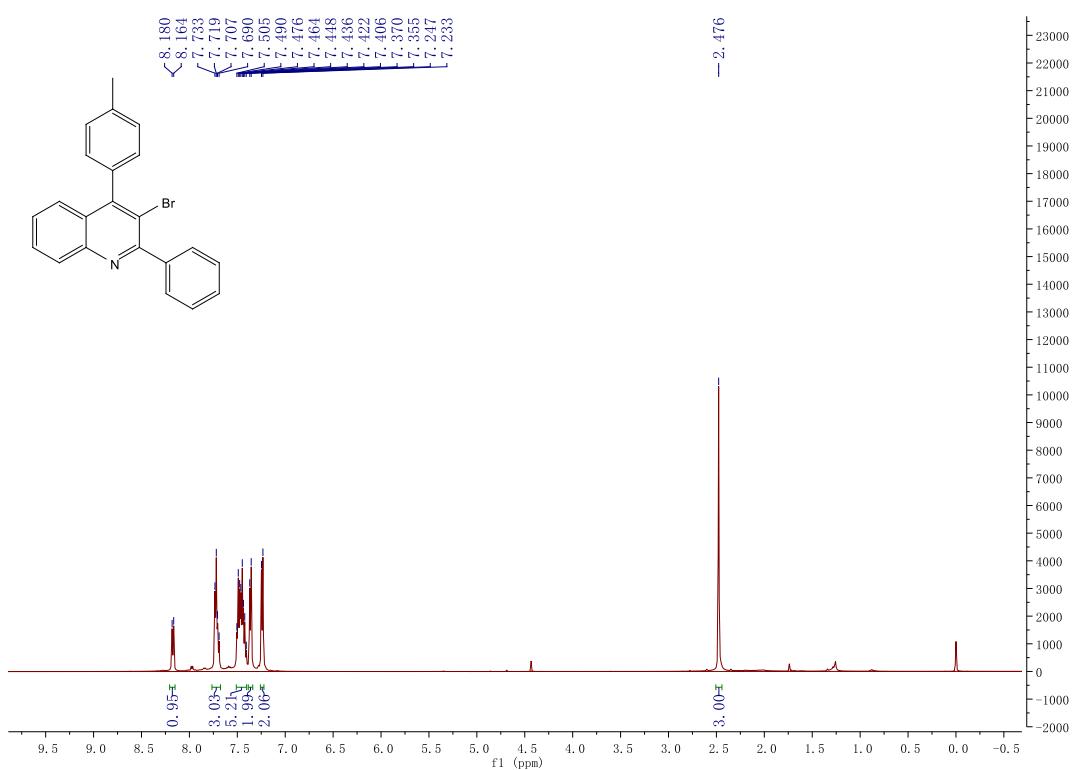
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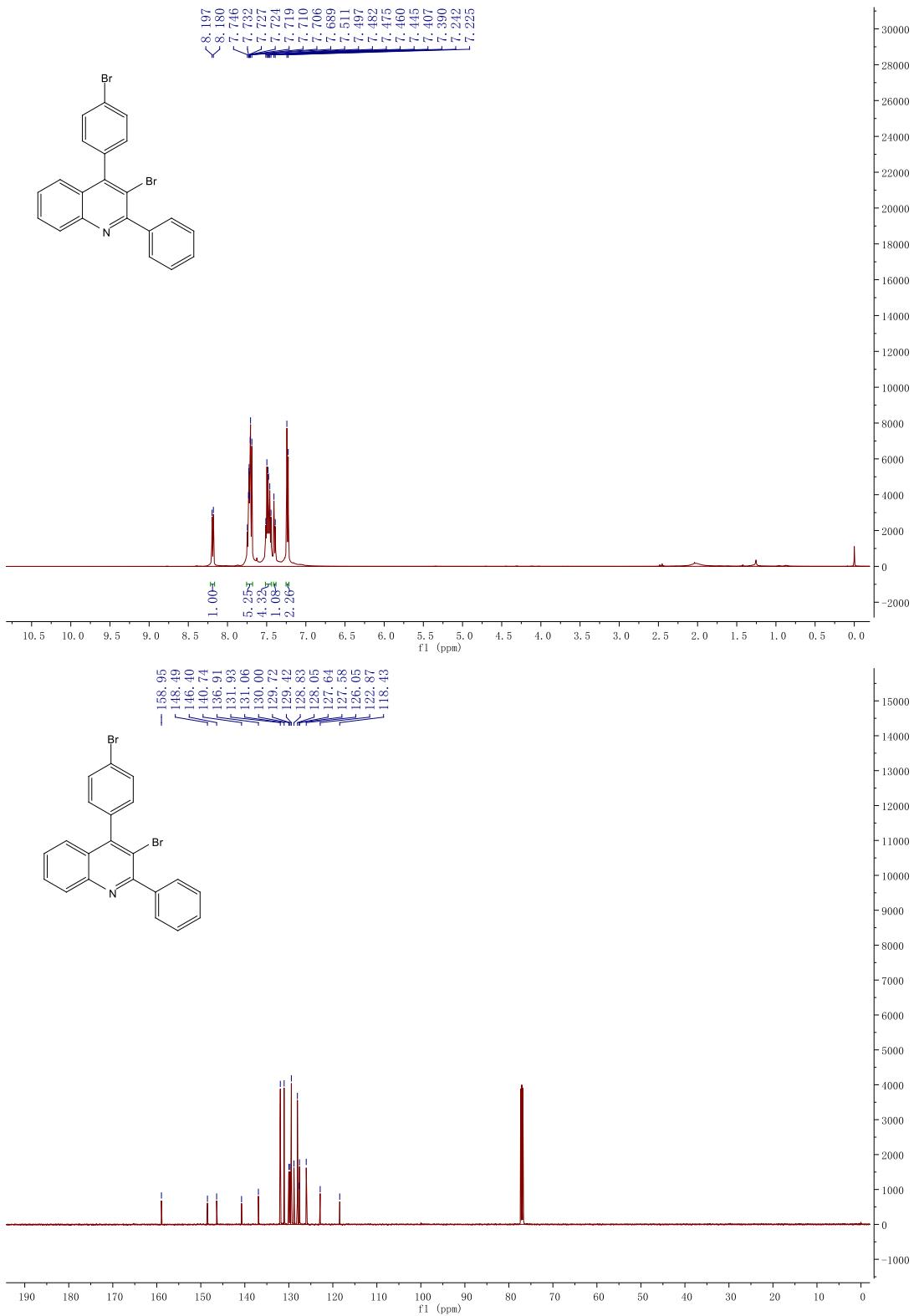
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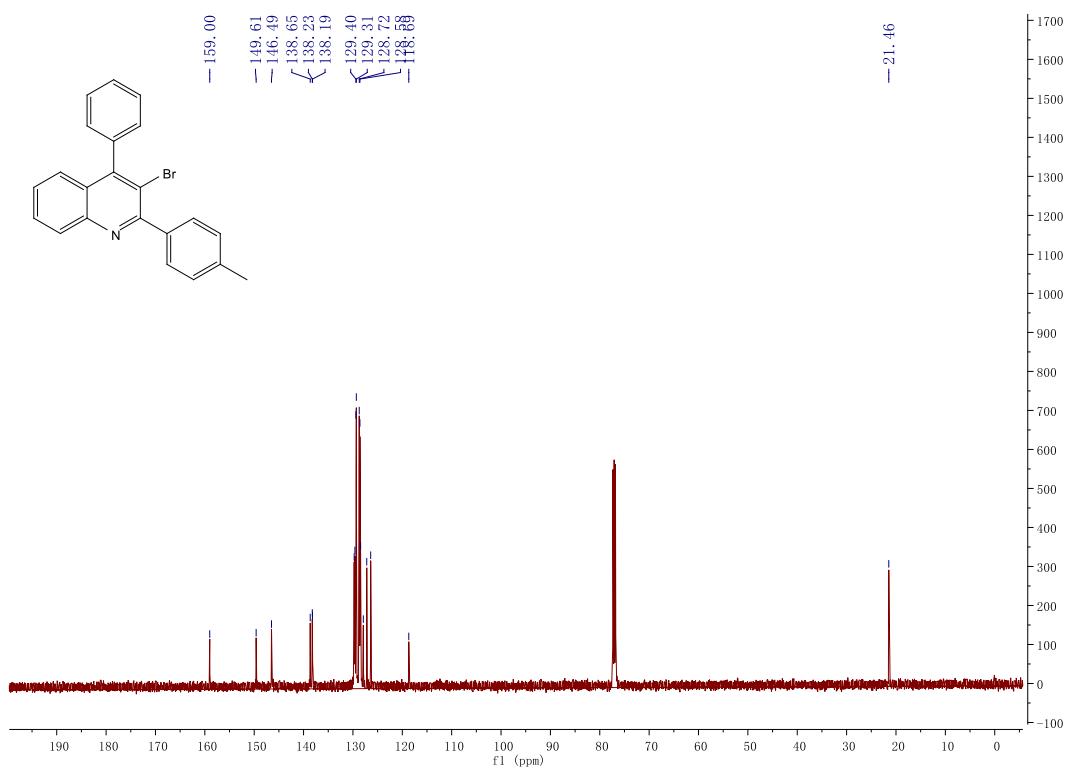
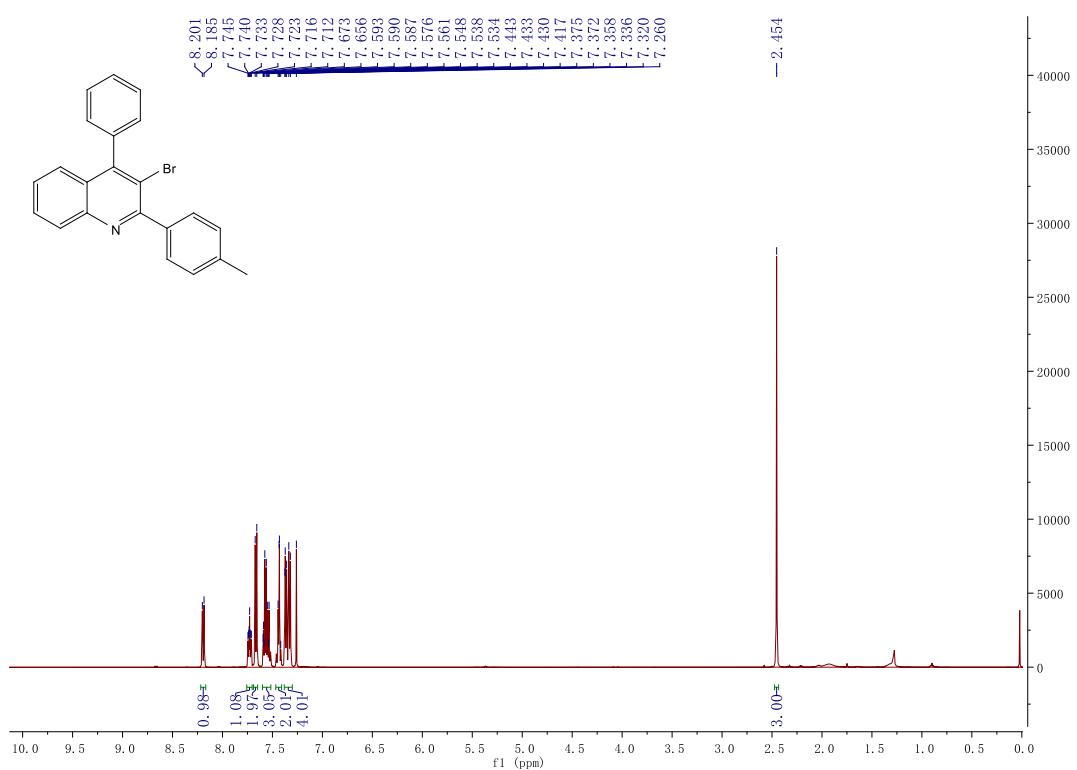
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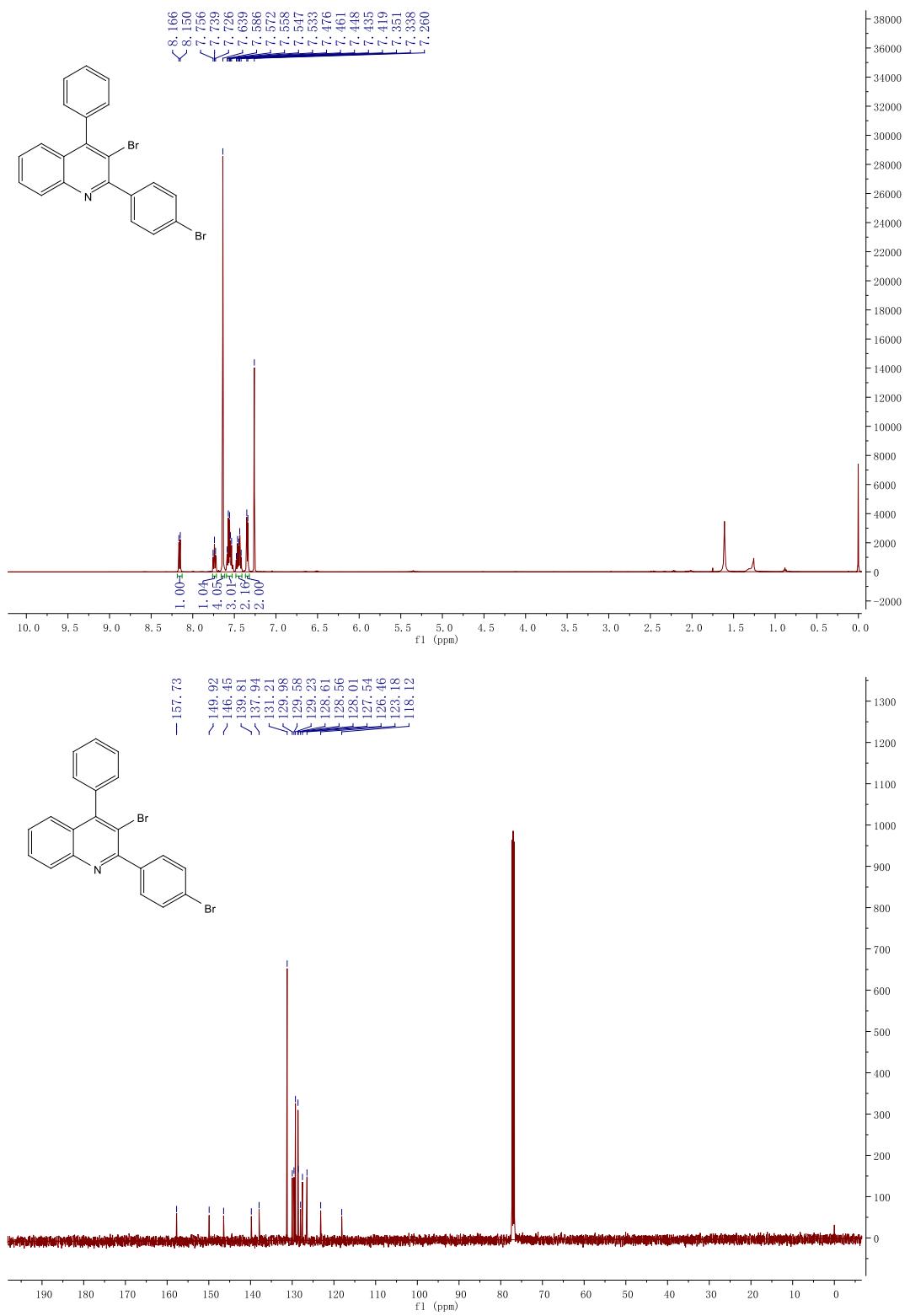
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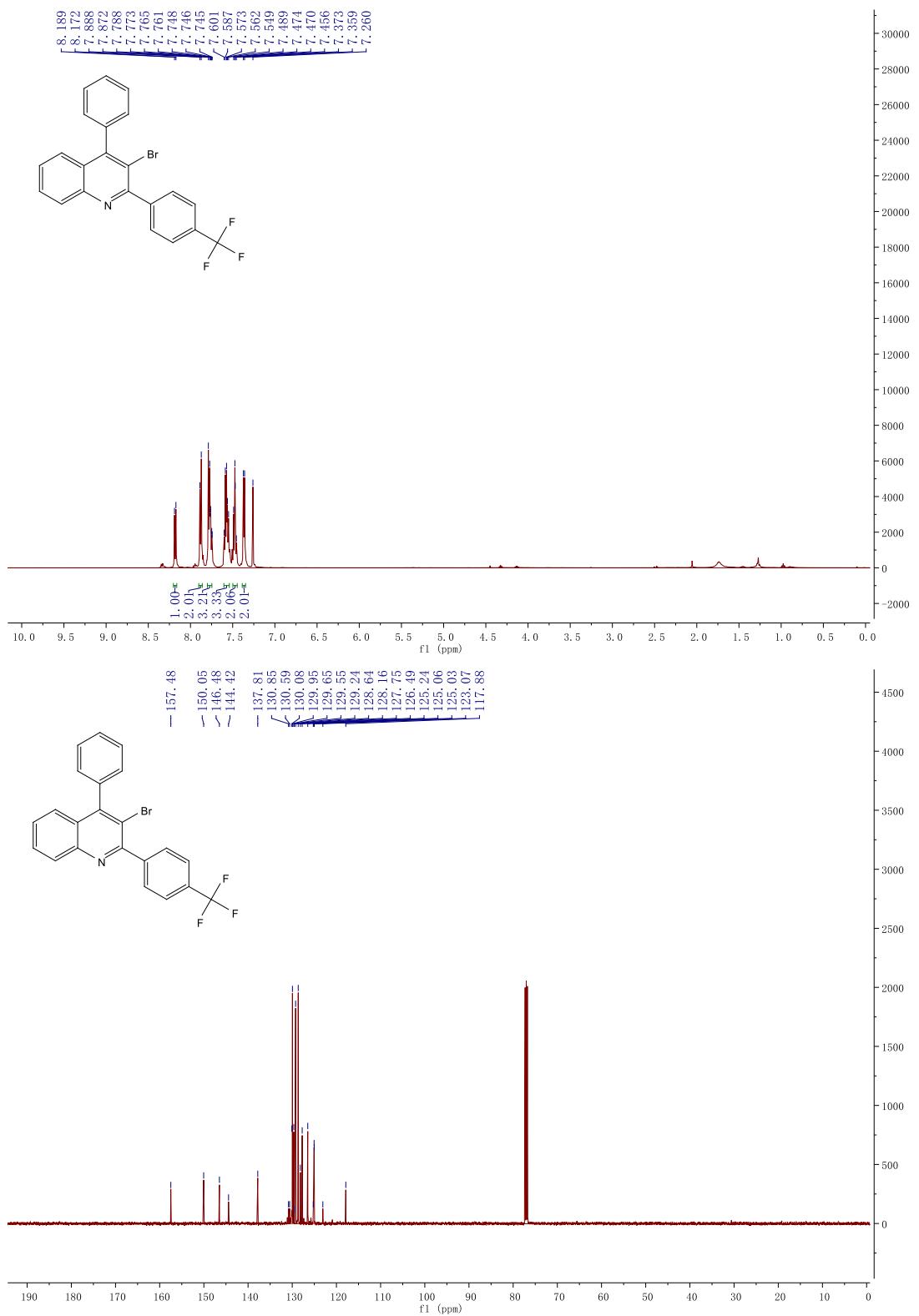
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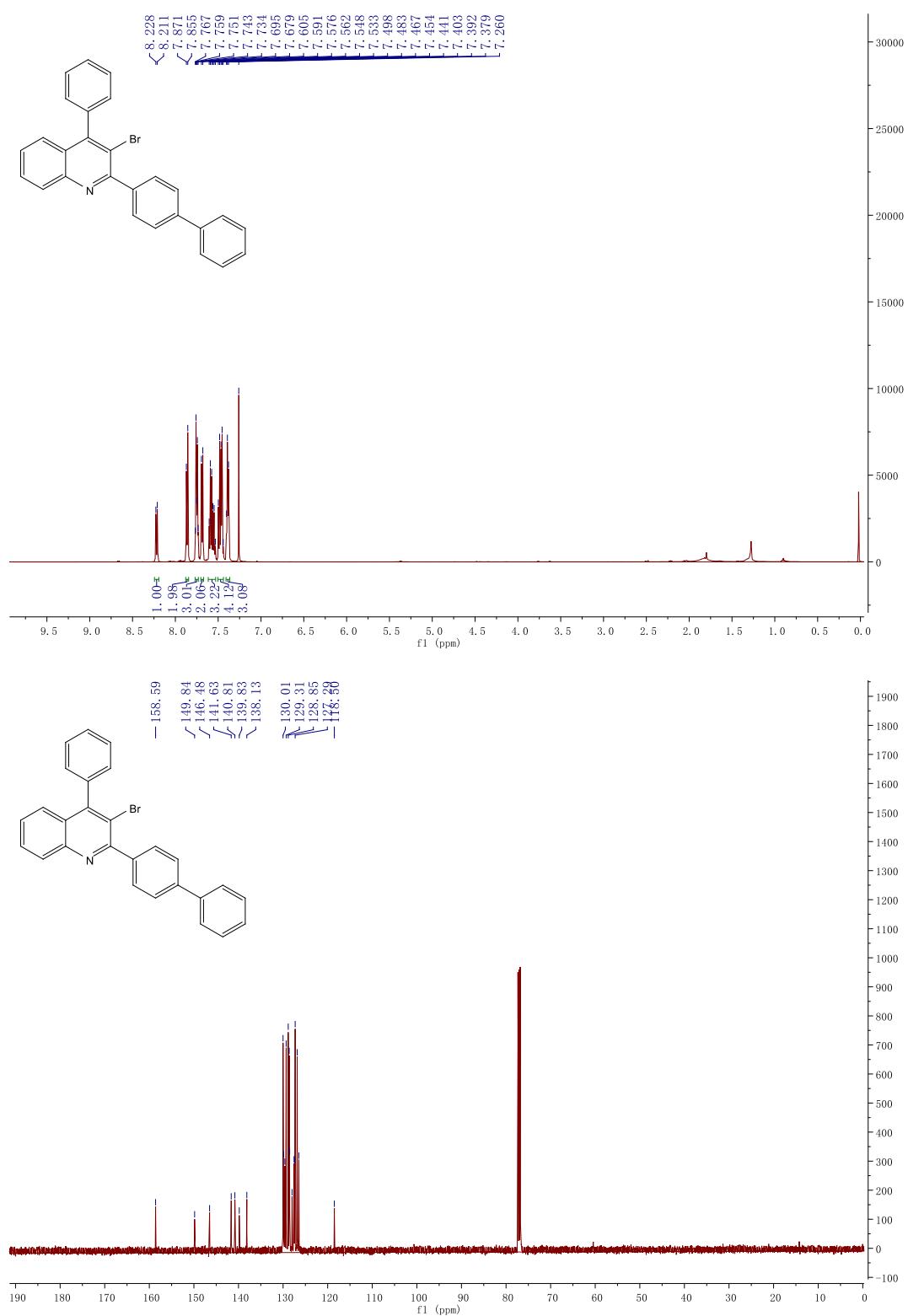
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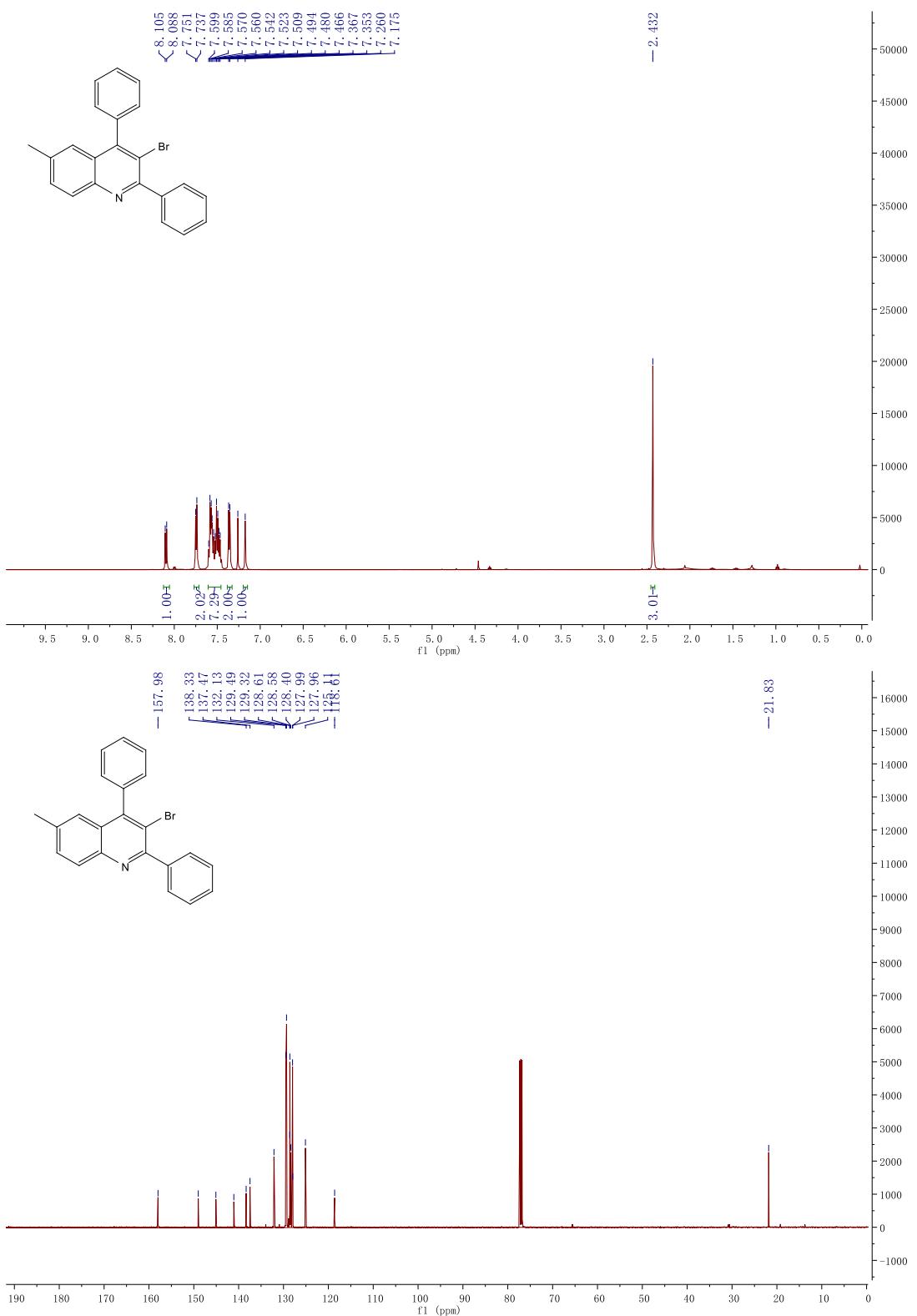
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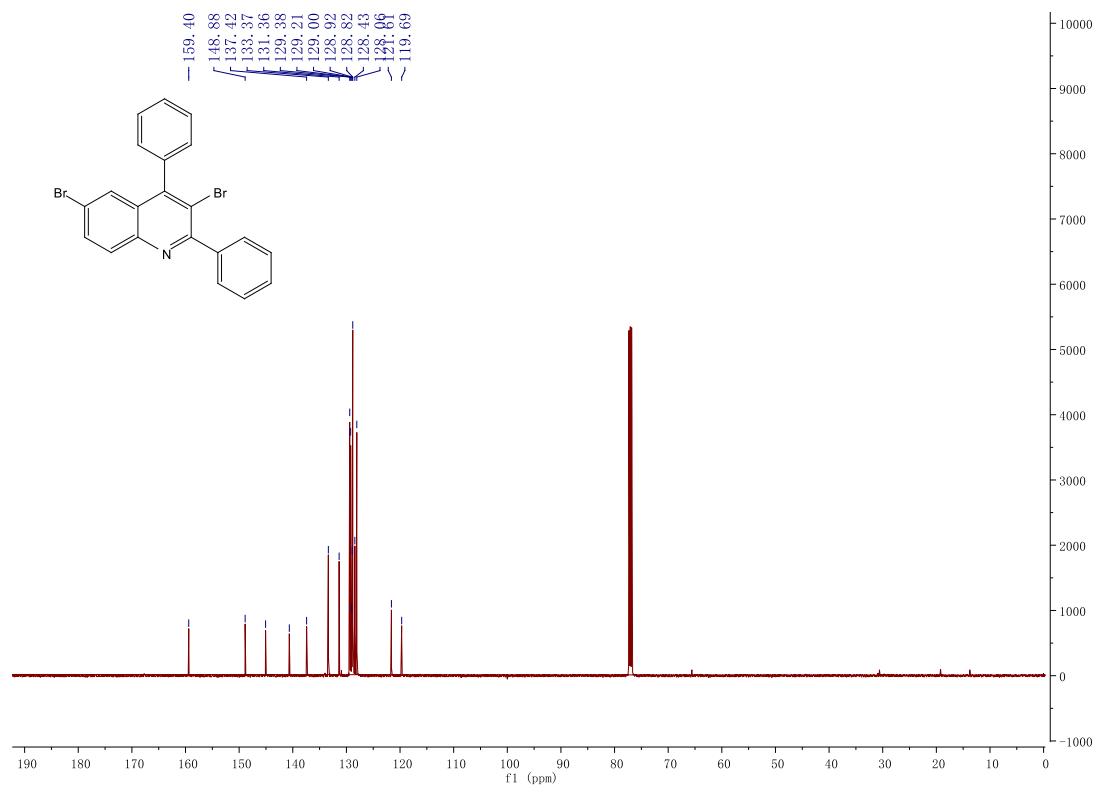
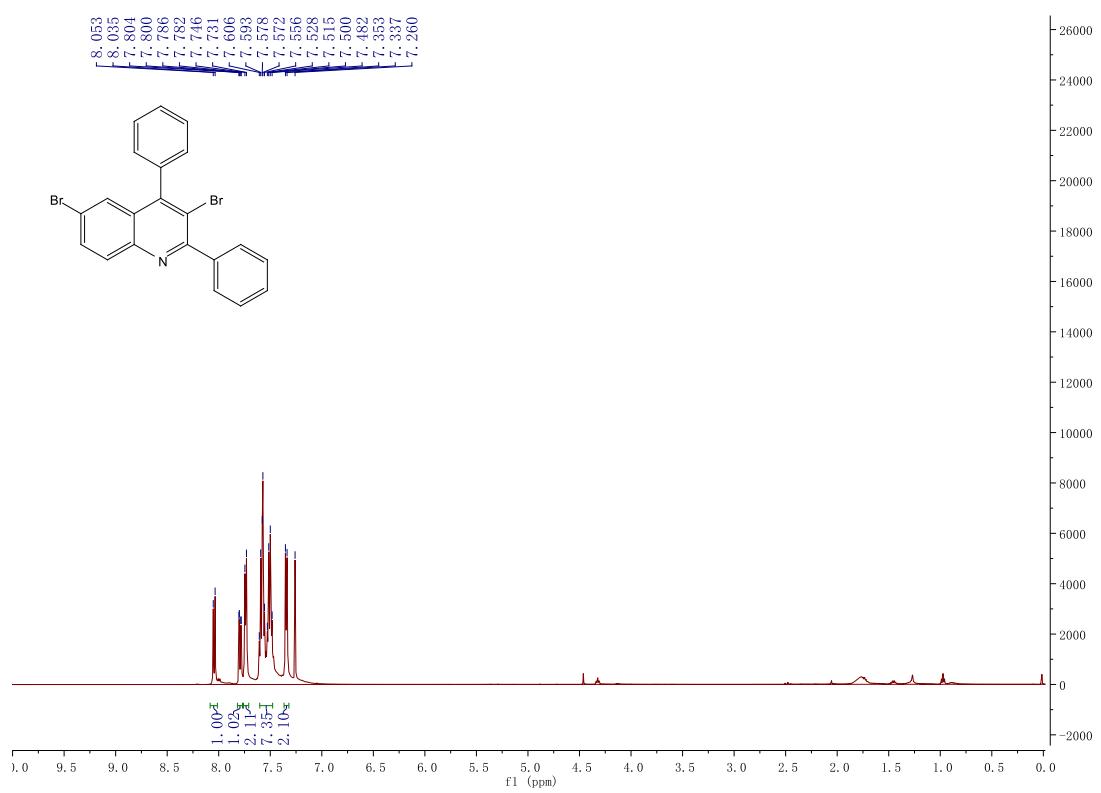
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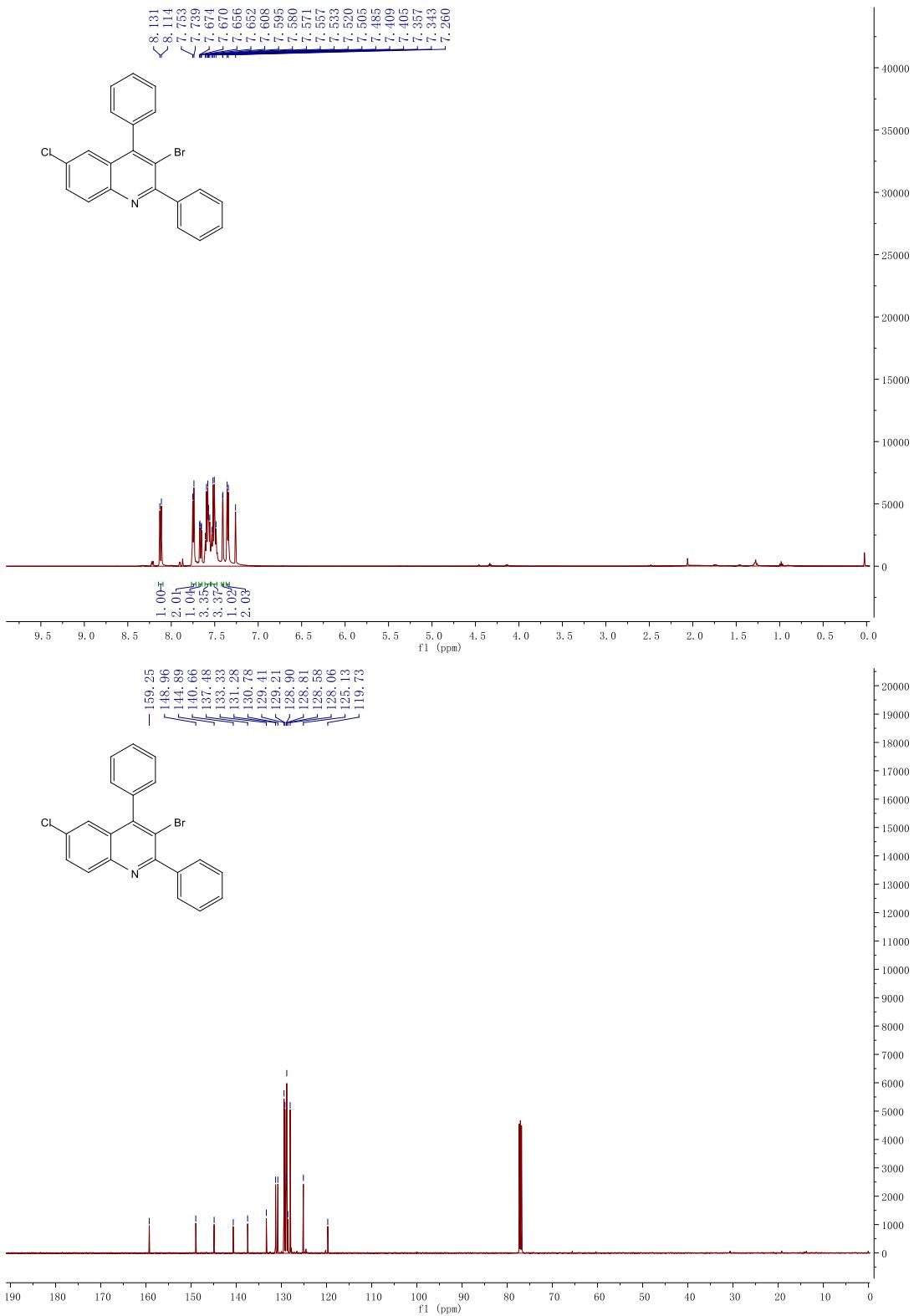
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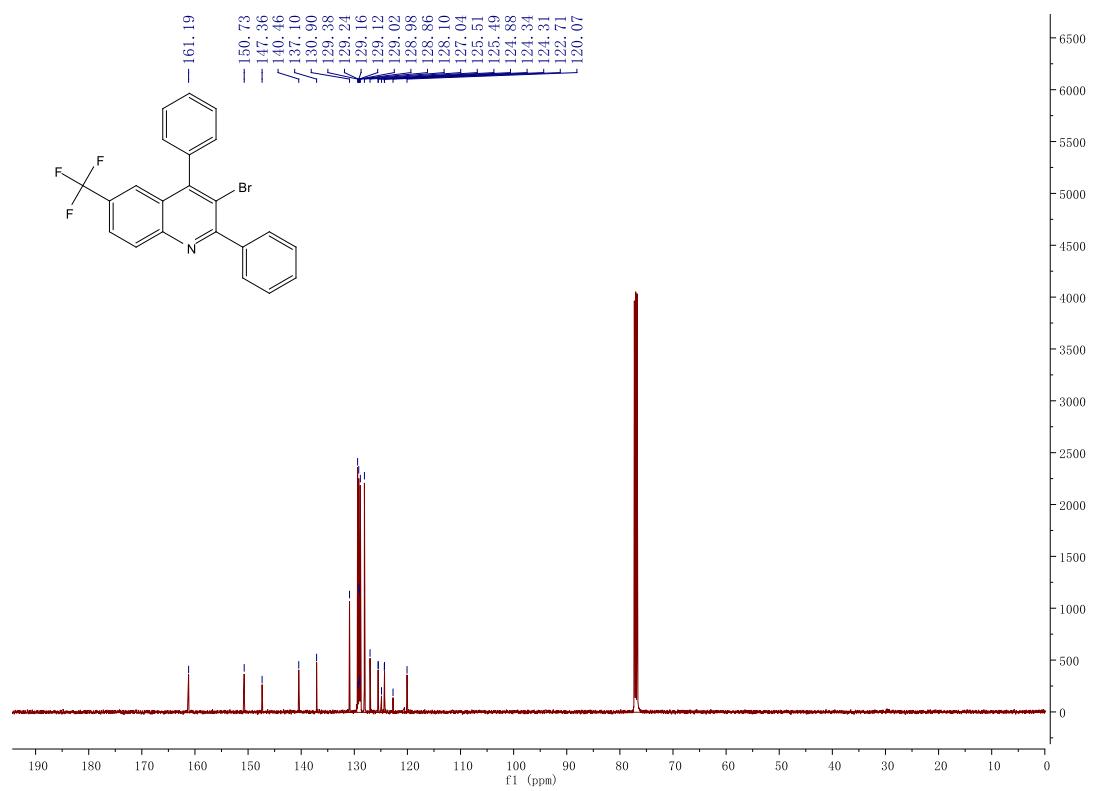
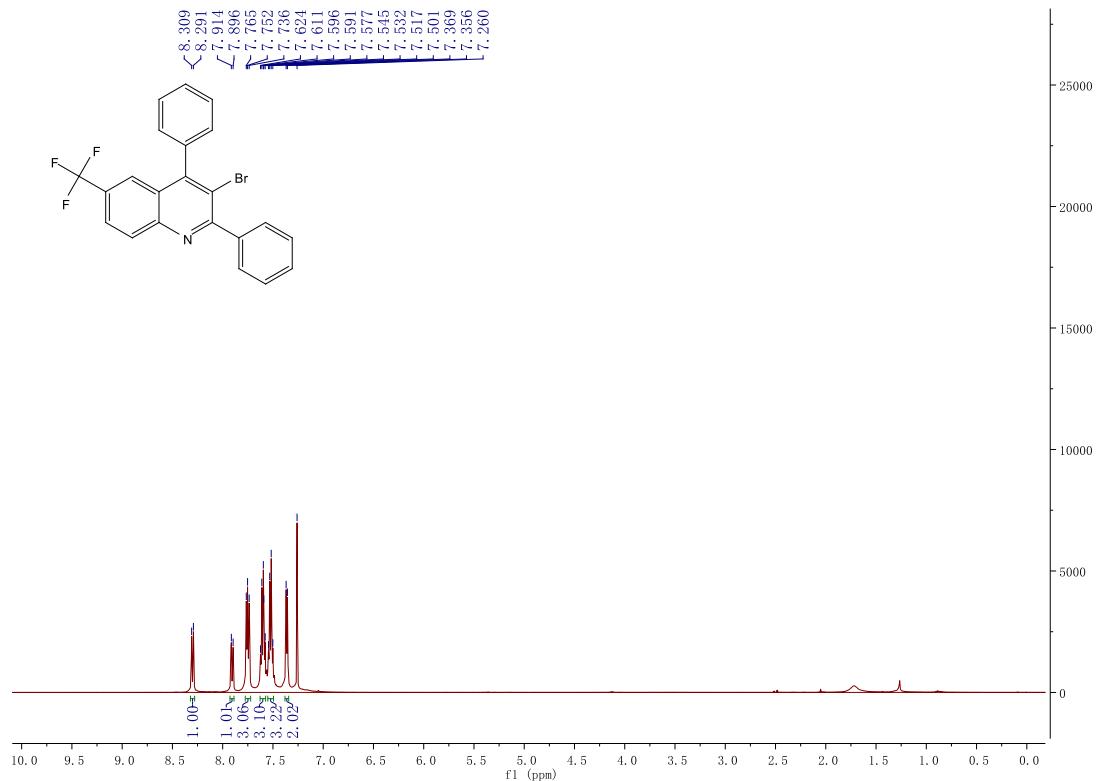
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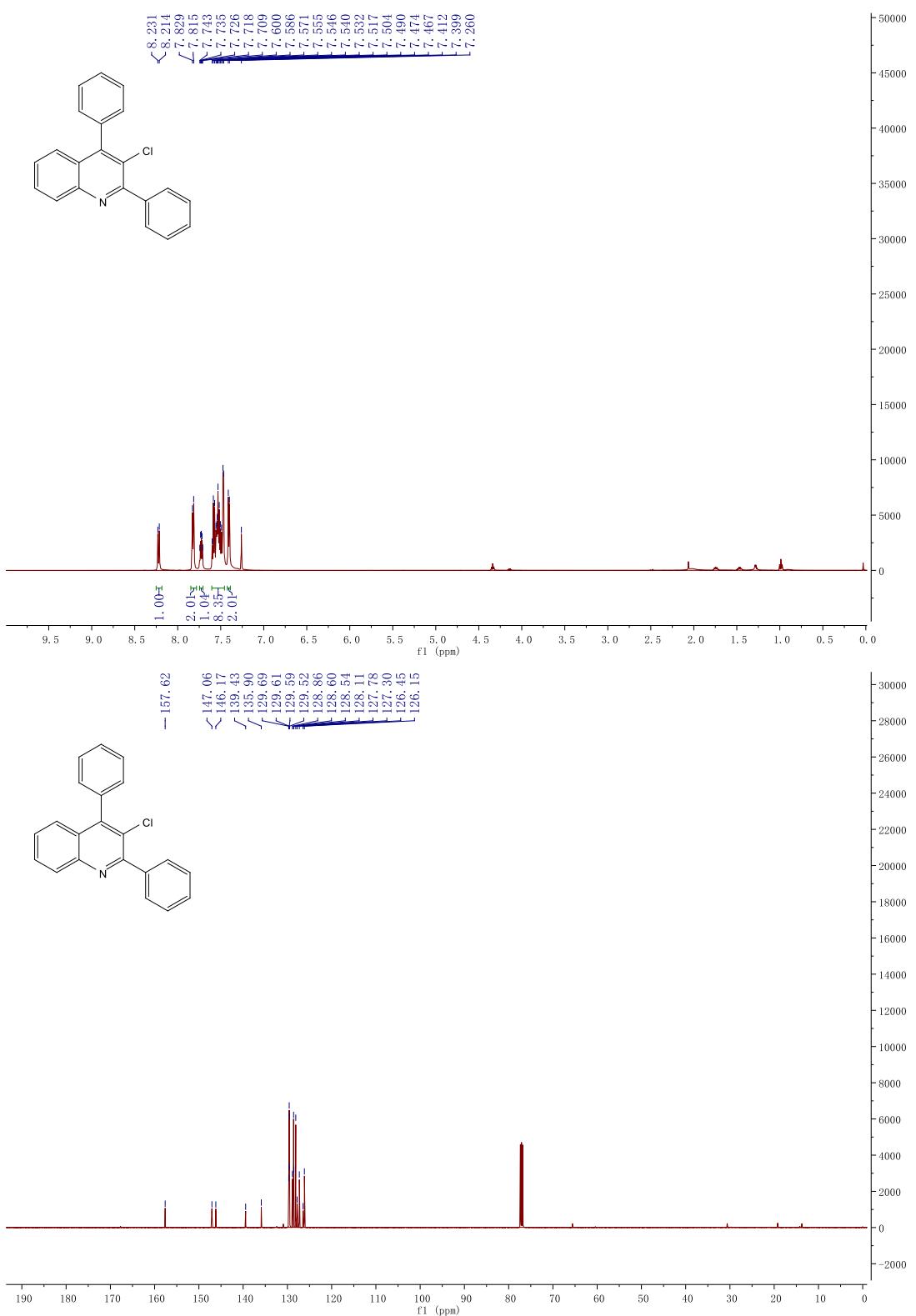
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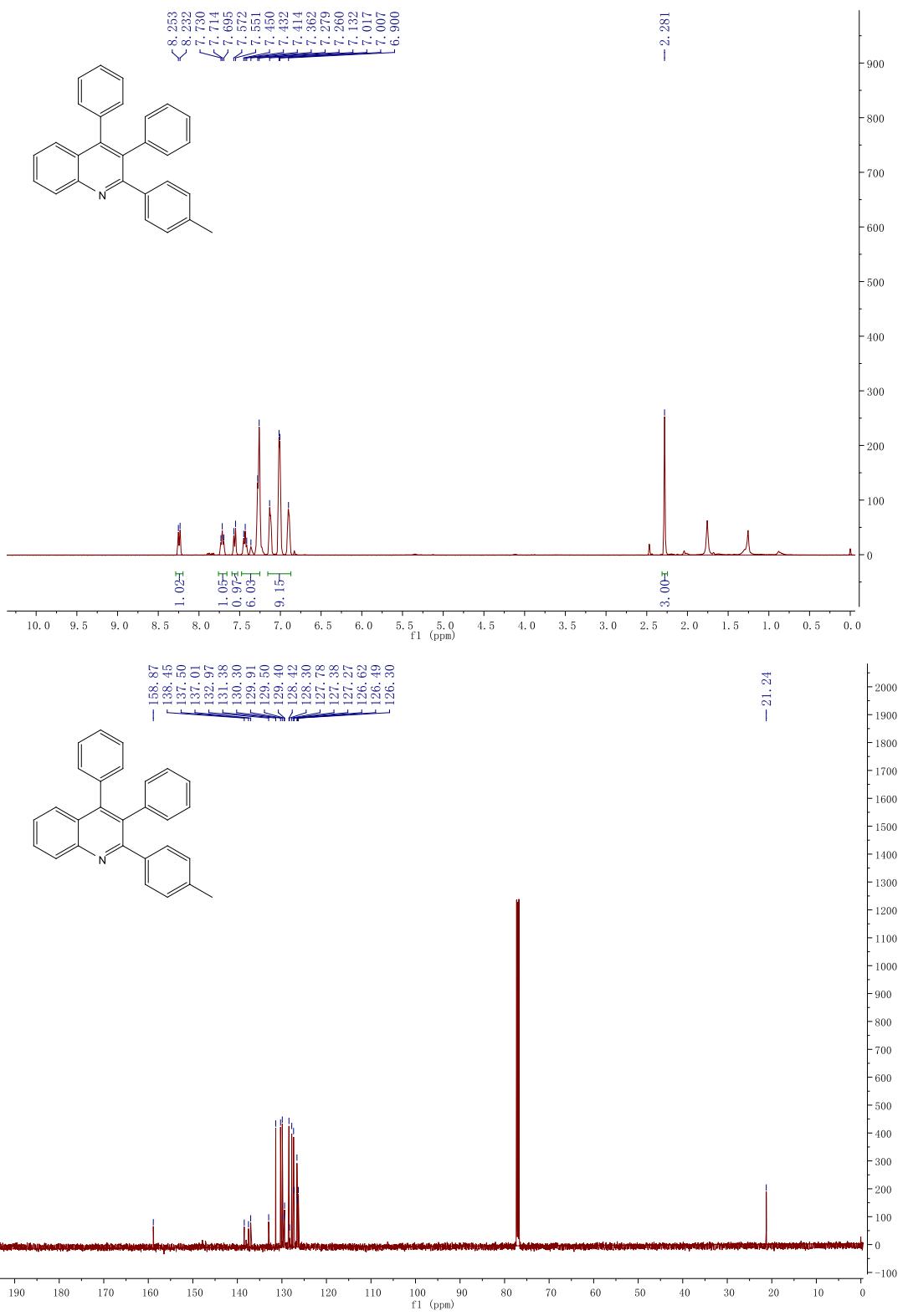
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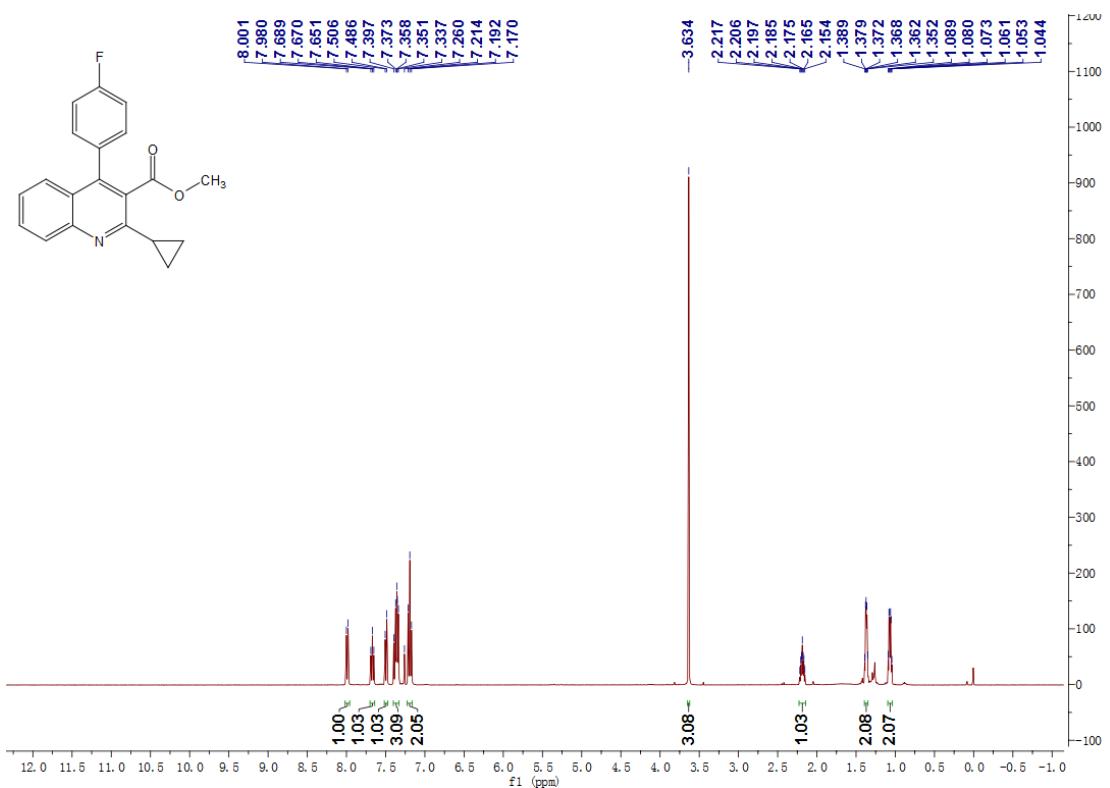
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¹H NMR of **7I** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) and ¹³C NMR of **7I** (125 MHz, CDCl₃).



^1H NMR of **8** (500 MHz, CDCl_3) and ^{13}C NMR of **8** (125 MHz, CDCl_3).



^1H NMR of **9** (500 MHz, CDCl_3) and ^{13}C NMR of **9** (125 MHz, CDCl_3).