

Supporting Information

Rh(III)-catalyzed C-H annulation of sulfoxonium ylides with iodonium ylides towards isocoumarins

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1. General information

Unless otherwise noted, all reactions were carried out without exclusion of air or moisture. Commercial solvents and reagents were used without further purification. Analytical thin layer chromatography (TLC) was performed using silica gel GF254 plates. Column chromatography was performed using silica gel (200-300 mesh) eluting with petroleum ether and ethyl acetate. NMR spectra were recorded on 400 MHz or 600 MHz spectrometers in the solvent indicated. Chemical shifts are reported downfield from TMS (δ = 0.00) for ^1H NMR. For ^{13}C NMR, chemical shifts are reported in the scale relative to CDCl_3 (δ = 77.00). HR-MS spectra were recorded on an electrospray ionization quadrupole time-of-flight (ESI-Q-TOF) mass spectrometer. Melting points were determined using a Büchi B-540 capillary melting point apparatus. **1a-1s**^[1], **2a-2h**^[2], **2i**^[3], **2j**^[4], **2K-2m**^[2] and **2n**^[5] are known compounds and prepared according to the corresponding literature.

2. Reaction Procedure

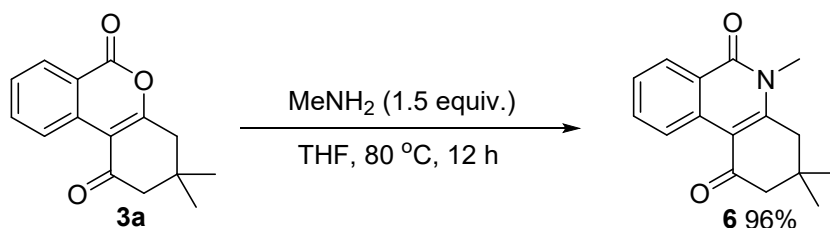
2.1 General procedure for the synthesis of products 3

A mixture of 2-(dimethyl(oxo)- λ^6 -sulfanylidene)-1-phenylethan-1-one **1a** (39.2 mg, 0.20 mmol), 5,5-dimethyl-2-(phenyl- λ^3 -iodanylidene)cyclohexane-1,3-dione **2a** (102.6mg, 0.30 mmol), $[\text{Rh}^*\text{CpCl}_2]_2$ (3.1mg, 2.5 mol %) and NaOPiv (24.8 mg, 0.20 mmol) in HFIP (1.0 mL) was stirred at 40 °C for 12 hours. The resulting mixture was cooled to room temperature, solvent was removed under vacuo and the crude reaction mixture was purified by silica gel (200-300 mesh) column chromatography using hexane/ethyl acetate (6:1) as the eluant to afford **3a** as a white solid.

2.2 General Procedure for the gram scale reaction

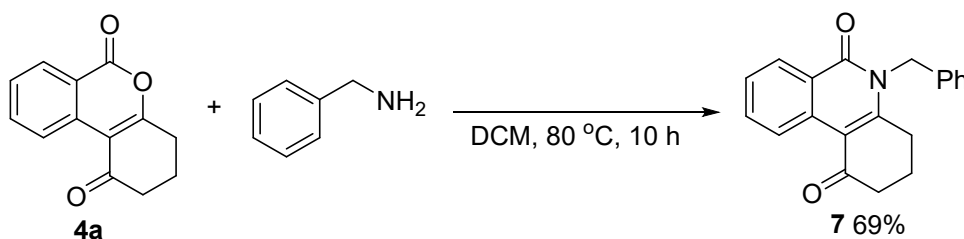
A mixture of 2-(dimethyl(oxo)- λ^6 -sulfanylidene)-1-phenylethan-1-one **1a** (0.98 g, 5.0 mmol), 2-(phenyl- λ^3 -iodanylidene)cyclohexane-1,3-dione **2b** (2.56 g, 7.5 mmol), $[\text{Rh}^*\text{CpCl}_2]_2$ (40.3 mg, 1.3 mol %) and NaOPiv (0.62 g, 5.0 mmol) in HFIP (15.0 mL) was stirred at 40 °C for 12 hours. The resulting mixture was cooled to room temperature, solvent was removed under vacuo and the crude reaction mixture was purified by silica gel (200-300 mesh) column chromatography using hexane/ethyl acetate (5:1) as the eluant to afford **4a** as a white solid.

2.3 Further transformation of compound 3a

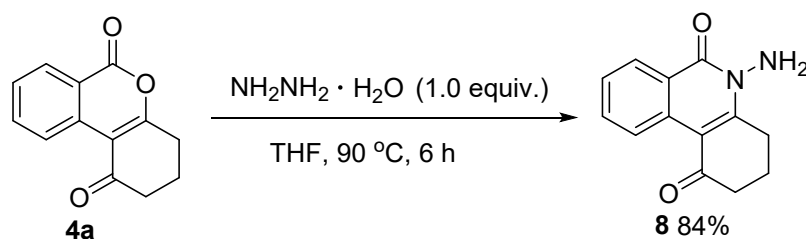


A mixture of **3a** (48.4 mg, 0.2 mmol), methylamine (27.9 mg, 0.3 mmol, 30 wt. % solution in methanol) in THF (2.0 mL) was stirred at 80 °C for 12 hours. Then the resulting mixture was cooled to room temperature, solvent was removed under vacuo and the crude product was purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA (3:1) to afford the product **6** in 96% yield.

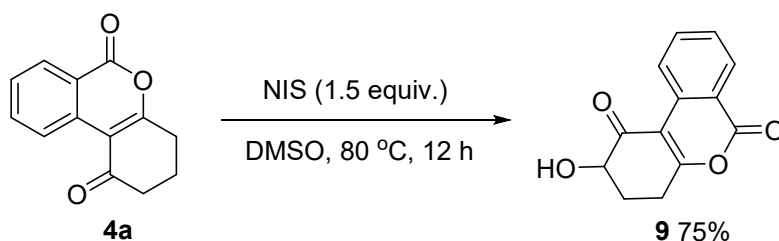
2.4 Further transformation of compound 4a



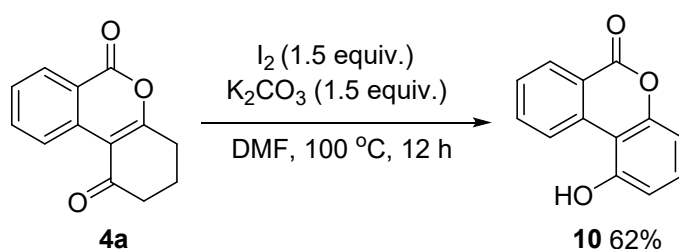
A mixture of **4a** (42.8 mg, 0.2 mmol), phenylmethanamine (30.2 mg, 0.3 mmol) in DCM (2.0 mL) was stirred at 80 °C for 10 hours. Then the resulting mixture was cooled to room temperature, solvent was removed under vacuo and the crude product was purified by silica gel chromatography using PE/EA (3:1) to afford the product **7** in 69% yield.



A mixture of **4a** (42.8 mg, 0.2 mmol) and $\text{NH}_2\text{NH}_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ (10.1 mg, 0.2 mmol) in THF (2.0 mL) was stirred at 90 °C for 6 hours. After completion of the reaction as indicated by thin-layer chromatography (TLC), solvent was removed under vacuo. The crude reaction mixture was washed with H_2O , extracted with ethyl acetate and purified by silica gel column chromatography using PE/EA (3:1) to afford **8** in 84% yield.



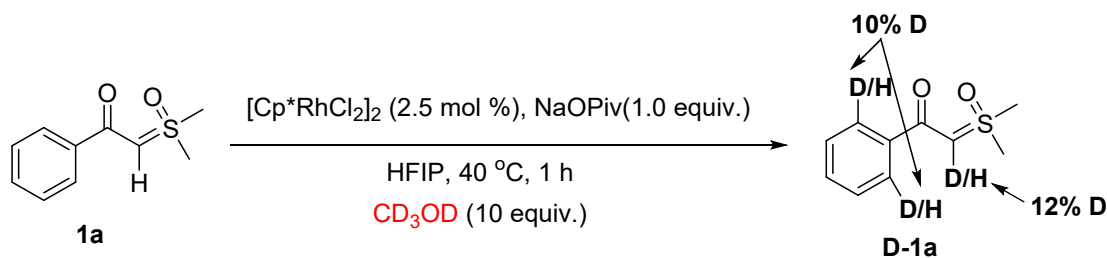
A mixture of **4a** (42.8 mg, 0.2 mmol), *N*-Iodosuccinamide (67.2 mg, 0.3 mmol) in DMSO (2.0 mL) was stirred at 80 °C for 12 hours. After completion of the reaction as indicated by thin-layer chromatography (TLC), the reaction mixture was washed with NH₄Cl solution. The product was extracted with ethyl acetate, dried over sodium sulphate, solvent was removed under vacuo and the crude reaction mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography using PE/EA (2:1) to afford **9** in 75% yield.



A mixture of **4a** (42.8 mg, 0.2 mmol), K₂CO₃ (41.4 mg, 0.3 mmol) and iodine (76.2 mg, 0.3 mmol) in DMF (2.0 mL) was stirred at 100 °C for 12 hours. After completion of the reaction as indicated by thin-layer chromatography (TLC), the reaction mixture was washed with Na₂S₂O₃ solution. The product was extracted with ethyl acetate, solvent was removed under vacuo and the crude reaction mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography using PE/EA (2:1) to afford **10** in 62% yield.

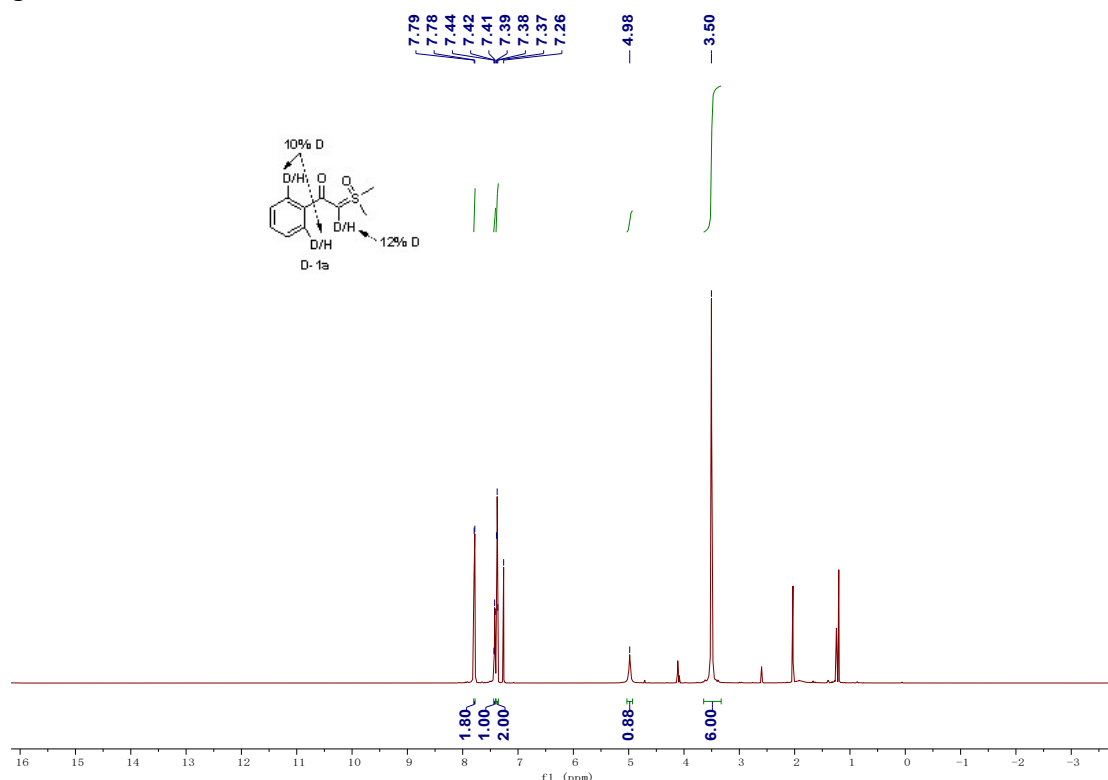
3. Isotope labeling experiments

3.1 H/D exchange experiment

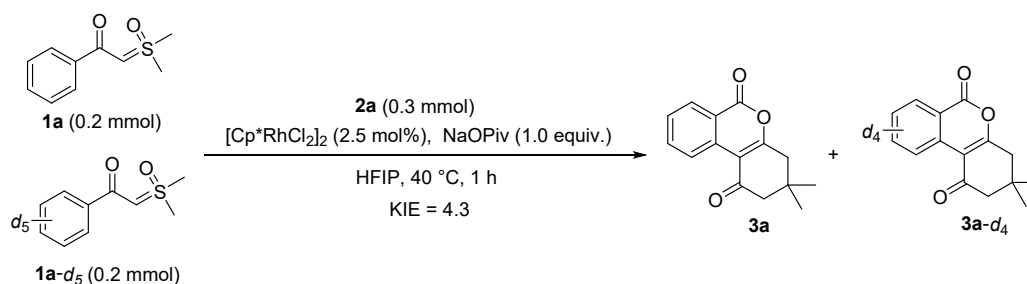


Ylide **1a** (0.20 mmol, 39.2 mg), [Cp*RhCl₂]₂ (2.5 mol %, 3.1 mg), NaOPiv (0.20 mmol, 24.8 mg) and CD₃OD (2.0 mmol, 72.0 mg) were dissolved in HFIP (1.0 mL). The mixture was stirred at 40 °C under air for 1 h. The resulting mixture was cooled

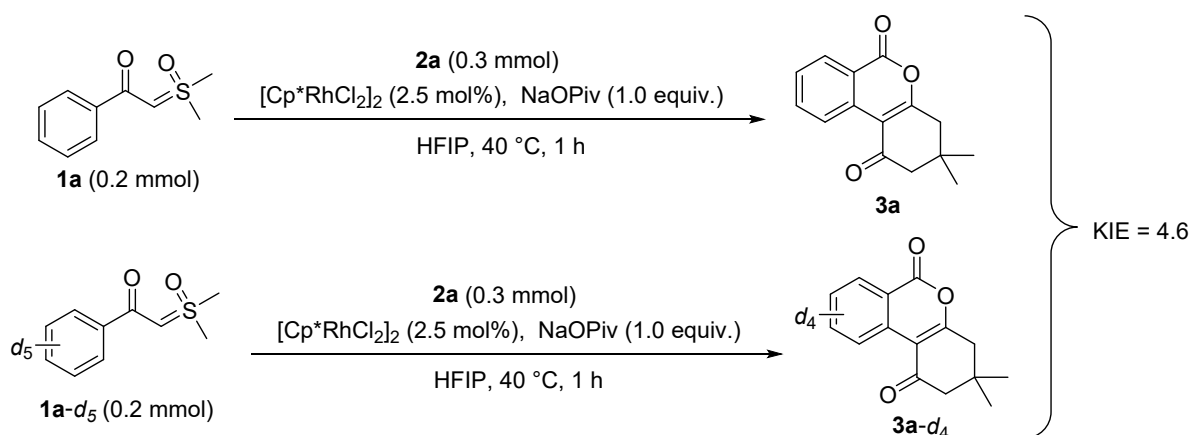
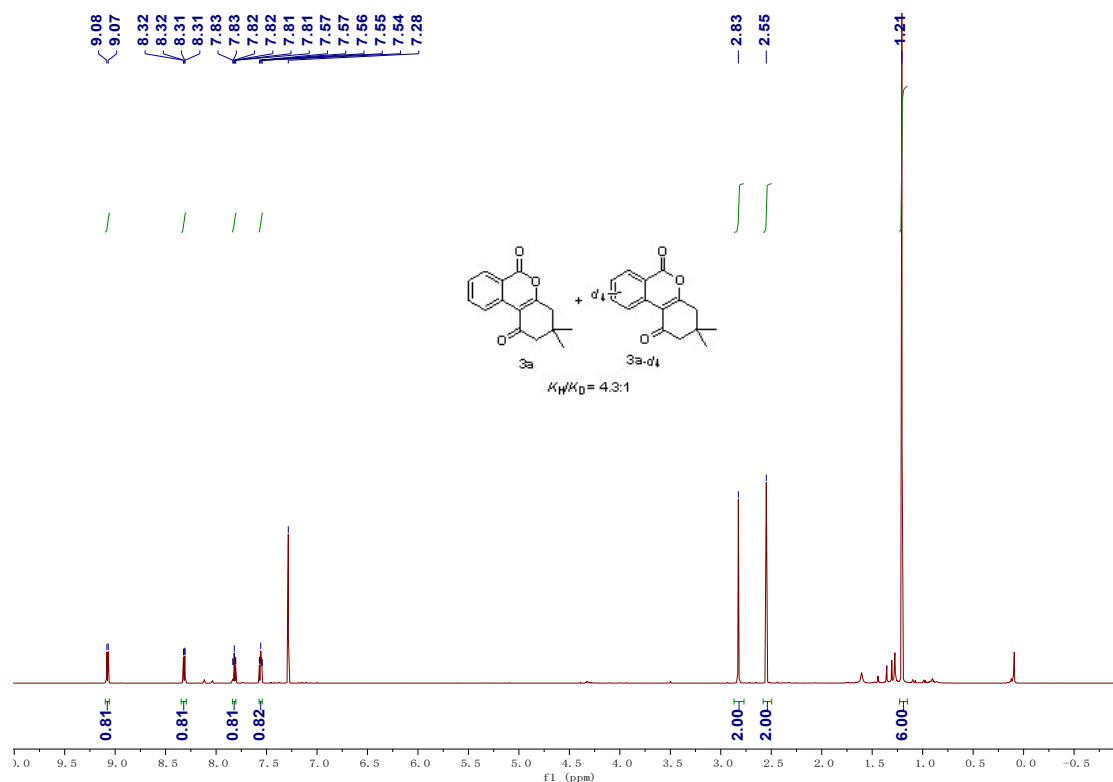
to room temperature and solvent was removed under vacuo. Purification was performed by flash column chromatography on silica gel (5% MeOH in EtOAc) to give the D-**1a**.



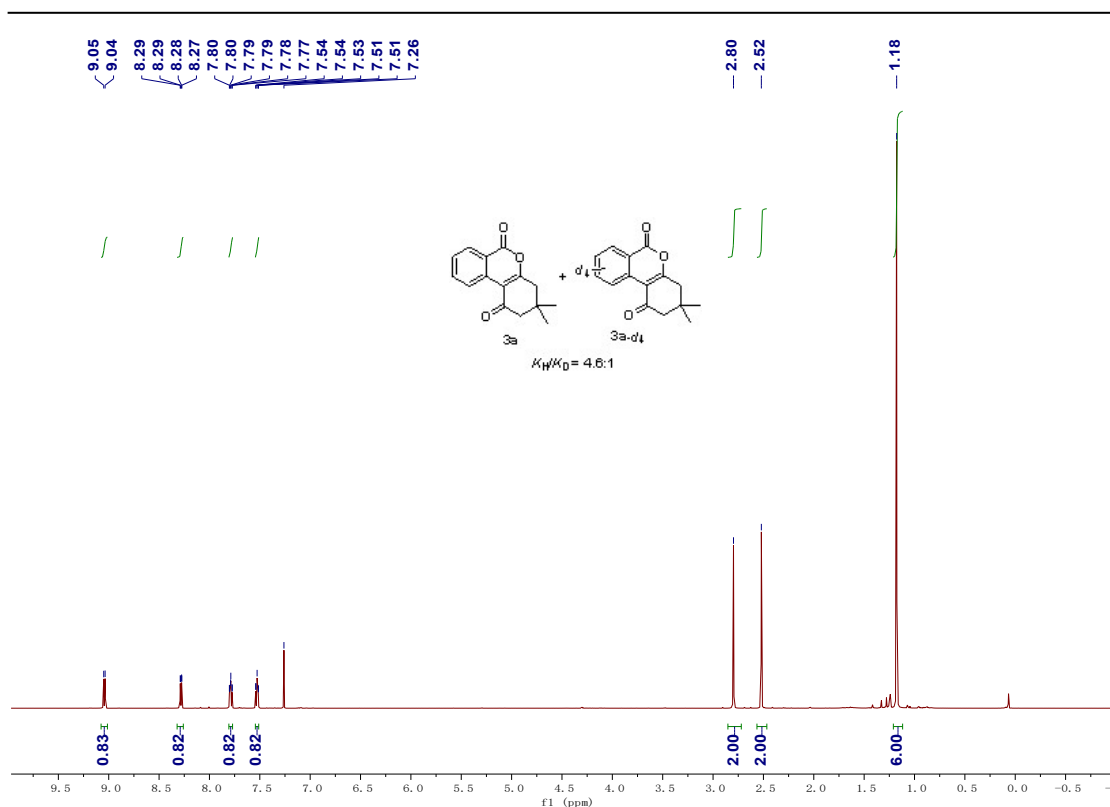
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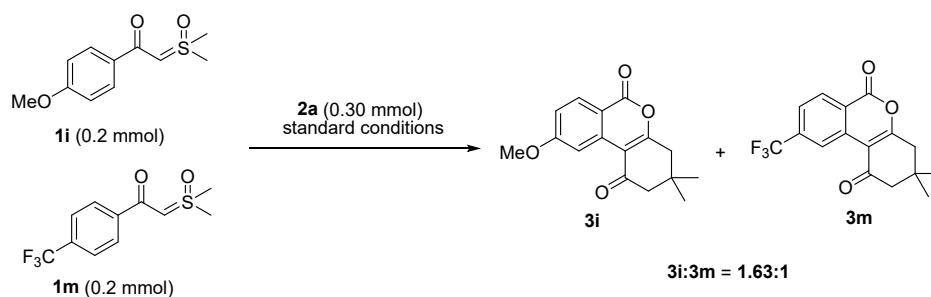
Ylide **1a** (0.20 mmol, 39.2 mg), **1a-d₅** (0.20 mmol, 40.2 mg), **2a** (0.3 mmol, 102.6 mg), [Cp*RhCl₂]₂ (2.5 mol %, 3.1 mg) and NaOPiv (0.20 mmol, 24.8 mg) were dissolved in HFIP (1.0 mL). The mixture was stirred at 40 °C for 1 h. The resulting mixture was cooled to room temperature and solvent was removed under vacuo. Purification was performed by flash column chromatography on silica gel using EtOAc/Hexane (1:6) as the eluant to provide a mixture of **3a** and **3a-d₄**. The ratio of **3a** and **3a-d₄** was determined to be 4.3:1 by ¹H NMR integration method.



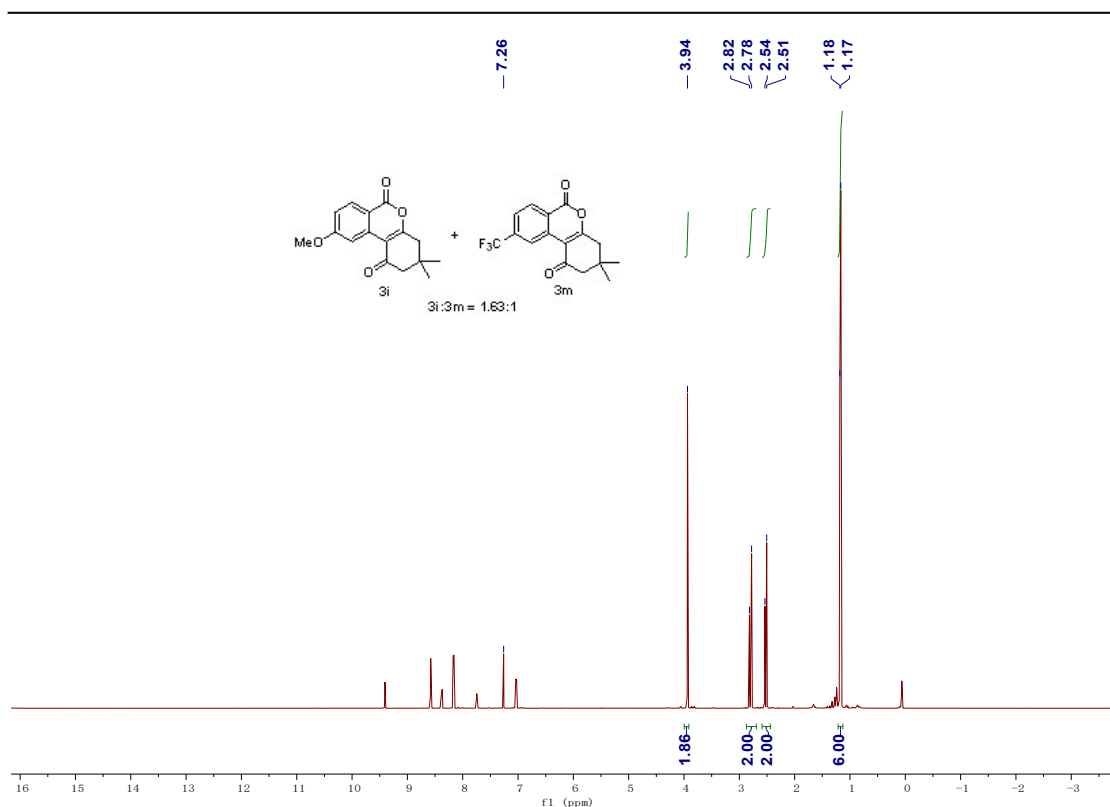
In a round bottom flask, a mixture of ylide **1a** (0.20 mmol, 39.2 mg), **2a** (0.3 mmol, 102.6 mg), [Cp*RhCl₂]₂ (2.5 mol %, 3.1 mg) and NaOPiv (0.20 mmol, 24.8 mg) were dissolved in HFIP (1.0 mL). The mixture was stirred at 40 °C for 1 h. At the same time, in another round bottom flask, a solution of **1a-d₅** (40.2mg, 0.20 mmol), **2a** (102.6 mg, 0.30 mmol), [Cp*RhCl₂]₂ (3.1mg, 2.5 mol %) and NaOPiv (0.20 mmol, 24.8mg) in HFIP (1.0 mL) was stirred at 40 °C for 1 h. These two mixtures were rapidly combined, and all the volatiles were rapidly removed under a reduced pressure. The residue was purified by silica gel chromatography using EtOAc/Hexane (1:6) as the eluant to provide a mixture of **3a** and **3a-d₄**. Upon analyzing the corresponding ¹H NMR spectrum, the KIE (K_H/K_D) was about 4.6.



4. Competition experiments

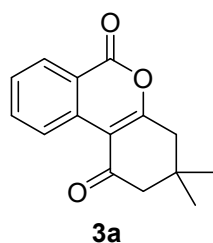


A solution of ylide **1i** (45.2 mg, 0.20 mmol) and **1m** (52.8 mg, 0.20 mmol), 5,5-dimethyl-2-(phenyl- λ^3 -iodanylidene)cyclohexane-1,3-dione **2a** (102.6 mg, 0.30 mmol), [Cp*RhCl₂]₂ (3.1 mg, 2.5 mol %) and NaOPiv (24.8 mg, 0.20 mmol) in HFIP (1.0 mL) was stirred at 40 °C under open air for 12 hours. The solvent was removed under vacuo and the crude reaction mixture was directly loaded on silica gel column chromatography and purified using EtOAc/Hexane (1:4) as the eluant to afford a mixture of compounds **3i** and **3m**. The ratio of **3i** and **3m** was determined to be 1.63:1 by ¹H NMR.



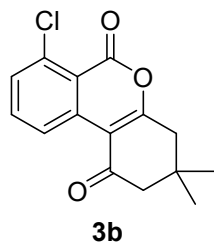
5. Analytical data and copies of NMR spectra

5.1 Analytical data for products



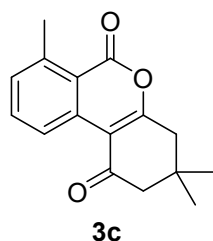
3,3-dimethyl-3,4-dihydro-1H-benzo[c]chromene-1,6(2H)-dione

Compound **3a** was isolated as a white solid (44.1 mg, 91% yield). M.P.: 140–141 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 9.03 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 8.35 – 8.23 (m, 1H), 7.83 – 7.73 (m, 1H), 7.52 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 2.79 (s, 2H), 2.51 (s, 2H), 1.17 (s, 6H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 196.9, 167.9, 160.7, 135.6, 133.8, 129.5, 128.3, 125.8, 119.7, 110.5, 52.8, 42.5, 31.9, 28.1. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{15}\text{O}_3^+$ [$\text{M} + \text{H}^+$]: 243.1016; found: 243.1015.



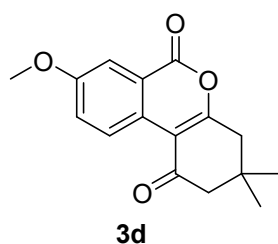
7-chloro-3,3-dimethyl-3,4-dihydro-1H-benzo[c]chromene-1,6(2H)-dione

Compound **3b** was isolated as a white solid (18.3 mg, 33% yield). M.P.: 145-146 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.05 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (t, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 2.78 (s, 2H), 2.52 (s, 2H), 1.16 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.4, 168.7, 156.9, 136.8, 136.8, 135.3, 131.4, 124.4, 116.9, 110.0, 53.0, 42.4, 31.8, 28.1. HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C₁₅H₁₄ClO₃⁺ [*M* + H⁺]: 277.0626; found: 277.0630.



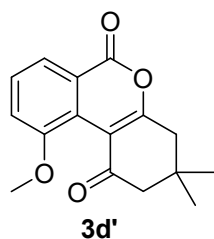
3,3,7-trimethyl-3,4-dihydro-1H-benzo[c]chromene-1,6(2H)-dione

Compound **3c** was isolated as a white solid (10.3 mg, 20% yield). M.P.: 121-123 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.94 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.66 - 7.58 (m, 1H), 7.32 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 2.79 (s, 3H), 2.76 (s, 2H), 2.50 (s, 2H), 1.16 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.8, 167.9, 159.7, 143.4, 135.3, 134.8, 131.4, 123.6, 118.1, 110.5, 53.1, 42.5, 31.8, 28.1, 23.8. HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C₁₆H₁₇O₃⁺ [*M* + H⁺]: 257.1172; found: 257.1169.



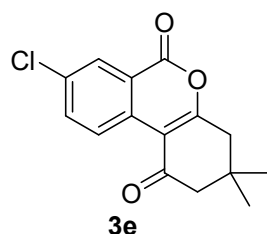
8-methoxy-3,3-dimethyl-3,4-dihydro-1H-benzo[c]chromene-1,6(2H)-dione

Compound **3d** was isolated as a white solid (22.3 mg, 41% yield). M.P.: 144-145 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.97 (d, *J* = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 7.68 (d, *J* = 2.9 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (dd, *J* = 9.1, 2.9 Hz, 1H), 3.90 (s, 3H), 2.78 (s, 2H), 2.50 (s, 2H), 1.17 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 197.1, 165.8, 160.9, 159.3, 127.6, 127.4, 124.6, 121.1, 110.6, 110.3, 55.6, 52.8, 42.3, 32.0, 28.1. HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C₁₆H₁₇O₄⁺ [*M* + H⁺]: 273.1121; found: 273.1118.



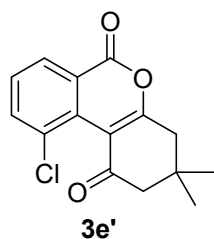
10-methoxy-3,3-dimethyl-3,4-dihydro-1H-benzo[c]chromene-1,6(2H)-dione

Compound **3d'** was isolated as a white solid (6.5 mg, 12% yield). M.P.: 152-153 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.86 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.29 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 3.90 (s, 3H), 2.73 (s, 2H), 2.57 (s, 2H), 1.18 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.8, 163.3, 160.8, 155.3, 129.4, 123.0, 122.3, 121.5, 118.0, 113.4, 56.3, 52.6, 42.0, 33.1, 28.7. HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C₁₆H₁₇O₄⁺ [*M* + H⁺]: 273.1121; found: 273.1119.



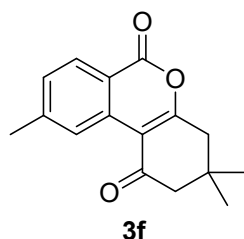
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Compound **3e** was isolated as a white solid (20.5 mg, 37% yield). M.P.: 153-154 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.03 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 8.24 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 7.72 (dd, *J* = 8.9, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 2.79 (s, 2H), 2.52 (s, 2H), 1.18 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.7, 168.1, 159.6, 135.8, 134.4, 132.2, 128.9, 127.6, 121.2, 110.1, 52.7, 42.4, 32.0, 28.1. HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C₁₅H₁₄ClO₃⁺ [*M* + H⁺]: 277.0626; found: 277.0621.



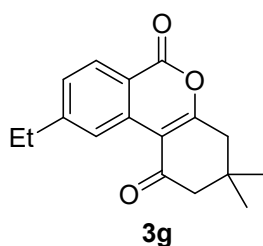
10-chloro-3,3-dimethyl-3,4-dihydro-1H-benzo[c]chromene-1,6(2H)-dione

Compound **3e'** was isolated as a white solid (6.6 mg, 12% yield). M.P.: 120-121 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.23 - 8.17 (m, 1H), 7.83 - 7.79 (m, 1H), 7.48 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 2.78 (s, 2H), 2.61 (s, 2H), 1.22 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.4, 165.6, 159.8, 137.5, 131.6, 131.2, 129.0, 128.4, 123.4, 113.7, 52.1, 42.1, 32.8, 28.6. HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C₁₅H₁₄ClO₃⁺ [*M* + H⁺]: 277.0626; found: 277.0620.



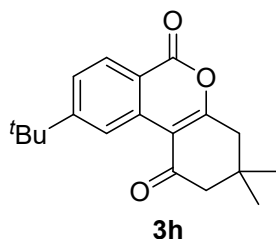
3,3,9-trimethyl-3,4-dihydro-1H-benzo[c]chromene-1,6(2H)-dione

Compound **3f** was isolated as a white solid (47.6 mg, 93% yield). M.P.: 131-132 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.85 (s, 1H), 8.16 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.34 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 2.78 (s, 2H), 2.53 - 2.47 (m, 5H), 1.17 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 197.1, 168.1, 160.8, 147.0, 133.8, 129.6, 129.6, 125.8, 117.2, 110.5, 52.9, 42.6, 31.9, 28.1, 22.5. HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C₁₆H₁₇O₃⁺ [*M* + *H*⁺]: 257.1172; found: 257.1175.



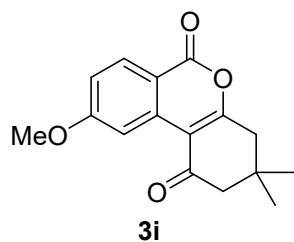
9-ethyl-3,3-dimethyl-3,4-dihydro-1H-benzo[c]chromene-1,6(2H)-dione

Compound **3g** was isolated as a white solid (49.1 mg, 91% yield). M.P.: 123-124 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.90 - 8.85 (m, 1H), 8.17 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.35 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 2.81-2.75 (m, 4H), 2.50 (s, 2H), 1.28 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 3H), 1.16 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 197.0, 168.0, 160.7, 153.0, 133.9, 129.7, 128.4, 124.8, 117.4, 110.5, 52.9, 42.5, 31.9, 29.6, 28.1, 15.1. HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C₁₇H₁₉O₃⁺ [*M* + *H*⁺]: 271.1329; found: 271.1326.



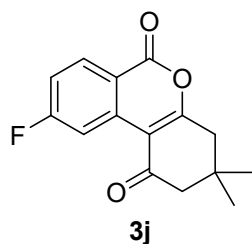
9-(tert-butyl)-3,3-dimethyl-3,4-dihydro-1H-benzo[c]chromene-1,6(2H)-dione

Compound **3h** was isolated as a white solid (55.8 mg, 94% yield). M.P.: 147-149 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.13 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 8.20 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.57 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 2.79 (s, 2H), 2.51 (s, 2H), 1.39 (s, 9H), 1.17 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 197.2, 168.0, 160.7, 159.8, 133.8, 129.4, 126.1, 122.4, 117.2, 110.7, 53.0, 42.6, 35.8, 31.9, 31.0, 28.1. HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C₁₉H₂₃O₃⁺ [*M* + *H*⁺]: 299.1642; found: 299.1641.



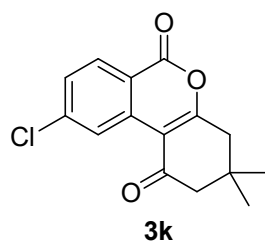
9-methoxy-3,3-dimethyl-3,4-dihydro-1H-benzo[c]chromene-1,6(2H)-dione

Compound **3i** was isolated as a white solid (50.7 mg, 94% yield). M.P.: 143-144 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.64 - 8.56 (m, 1H), 8.18 (dd, *J* = 8.9, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.08 - 7.01 (m, 1H), 3.95 (s, 3H), 2.78 (s, 2H), 2.51 (s, 2H), 1.17 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 197.2, 168.9, 165.4, 160.4, 136.3, 131.6, 117.1, 112.6, 110.3, 107.9, 55.7, 52.9, 42.6, 31.9, 28.1. HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C₁₆H₁₇O₄⁺ [*M* + H⁺]: 273.1121; found: 273.1134.



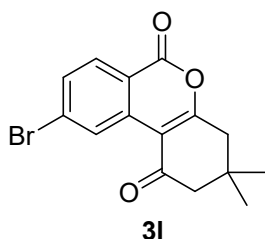
9-fluoro-3,3-dimethyl-3,4-dihydro-1H-benzo[c]chromene-1,6(2H)-dione

Compound **3j** was isolated as a white solid (45.0 mg, 87% yield). M.P.: 117-118 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.76 (dd, *J* = 11.3, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 8.27 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 5.9 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (td, *J* = 8.7, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 2.79 (s, 2H), 2.51 (s, 2H), 1.17 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.5, 169.1, 167.2 (d, *J* = 256.1 Hz), 159.7, 136.5 (d, *J* = 12.3 Hz), 132.7 (d, *J* = 10.6 Hz), 116.6 (d, *J* = 23.5 Hz), 116.1 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz), 112.4 (d, *J* = 26.2 Hz), 109.9 (d, *J* = 3.1 Hz), 52.5, 42.5, 31.9, 28.1. ¹⁹F NMR (396 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -98.84. HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C₁₅H₁₄FO₃⁺ [*M* + H⁺]: 261.0921; found: 261.0924.



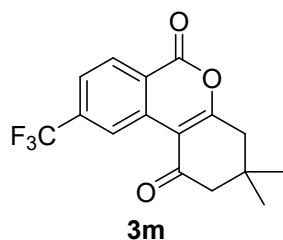
9-chloro-3,3-dimethyl-3,4-dihydro-1H-benzo[c]chromene-1,6(2H)-dione

Compound **3k** was isolated as a white solid (49.6 mg, 89% yield). M.P.: 155-156 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.12 - 9.05 (m, 1H), 8.21 - 8.15 (m, 1H), 7.51 - 7.44 (m, 1H), 2.79 (s, 2H), 2.52 (s, 2H), 1.17 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.5, 169.1, 159.9, 142.7, 135.0, 131.0, 128.9, 125.7, 118.0, 109.7, 52.6, 42.5, 31.9, 28.1. HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C₁₅H₁₄ClO₃⁺ [*M* + H⁺]: 277.0626; found: 277.0638.



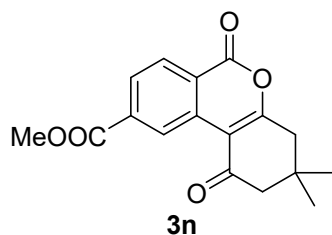
9-bromo-3,3-dimethyl-3,4-dihydro-1H-benzo[c]chromene-1,6(2H)-dione

Compound **3l** was isolated as a white solid (55.2 mg, 86% yield). M.P.: 159-160 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.35 - 9.23 (m, 1H), 8.15 - 8.06 (m, 1H), 7.69 - 7.59 (m, 1H), 2.80 (s, 2H), 2.52 (s, 2H), 1.17 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.5, 169.0, 160.1, 135.0, 131.9, 131.7, 131.0, 128.8, 118.4, 109.6, 52.6, 42.6, 31.9, 28.1. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₁₅H₁₄BrO₃⁺ [M + H⁺]: 321.0121; found: 321.0136.



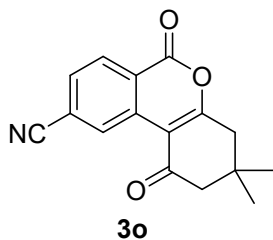
3,3-dimethyl-9-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-1H-benzo[c]chromene-1,6(2H)-dione

Compound **3m** was isolated as a white solid (35.4 mg, 57% yield). M.P.: 169-170 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.42 (s, 1H), 8.45 - 8.34 (m, 1H), 7.75 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 2.83 (s, 2H), 2.55 (s, 2H), 1.19 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.5, 169.1, 159.6, 136.8 (d, *J* = 32.8 Hz), 134.3, 130.3, 124.7 (q, *J* = 3.5 Hz), 123.3 (q, *J* = 3.9 Hz), 122.2, 121.9, 109.9, 52.6, 42.5, 32.0, 28.1. ¹⁹F NMR (396 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -63.38. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₁₆H₁₄F₃O₃⁺ [M + H⁺]: 311.0890; found: 311.0904.



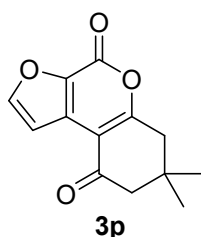
3,3-dimethyl-1,6-dioxo-2,3,4,6-tetrahydro-1H-benzo[c]chromene-9-carboxylate

Compound **3n** was isolated as a white solid (33.0 mg, 55% yield). M.P.: 156-157 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.71 - 9.63 (m, 1H), 8.38 - 8.28 (m, 1H), 8.20 - 8.11 (m, 1H), 3.99 (s, 3H), 2.82 (s, 2H), 2.55 (s, 2H), 1.20 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.5, 168.4, 166.0, 160.0, 136.2, 133.9, 129.7, 128.8, 127.2, 122.6, 110.2, 52.7, 52.7, 42.4, 31.9, 28.1. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₁₇H₁₇O₅⁺ [M + H⁺]: 301.1071; found: 301.1083.



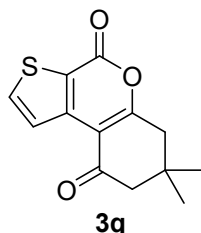
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Compound **3o** was isolated as a white solid (16.1 mg, 30% yield). M.P.: 142-143 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.46 (dd, *J* = 0.8 Hz, 1H), 8.36 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.75 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 2.84 (s, 2H), 2.56 (s, 2H), 1.20 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.3, 169.5, 159.2, 134.3, 130.7, 130.3, 130.3, 122.5, 119.0, 117.6, 109.3, 52.5, 42.5, 32.0, 28.1. HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C₁₆H₁₄NO₃⁺ [*M* + H⁺]: 268.0968; found: 268.0963.



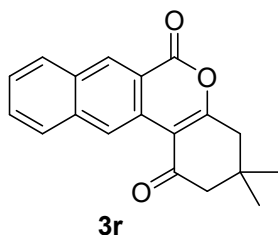
7,7-dimethyl-7,8-dihydro-4H-furo[2,3-c]chromene-4,9(6H)-dione

Compound **3p** was isolated as a white solid (16.3 mg, 35% yield). M.P.: 143-144 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.85 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 2.78 (s, 2H), 2.47 (s, 2H), 1.17 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 195.0, 169.0, 152.0, 151.3, 136.8, 132.5, 110.1, 109.1, 51.0, 41.6, 32.8, 28.2. HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C₁₃H₁₃O₄⁺ [*M* + H⁺]: 233.0808; found: 233.0802.



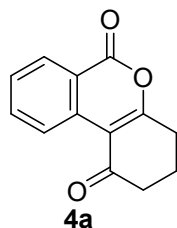
7,7-dimethyl-7,8-dihydro-4H-thieno[2,3-c]chromene-4,9(6H)-dione

Compound **3q** was isolated as a white solid (44.0 mg, 89% yield). M.P.: 128-129 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.27 - 8.18 (m, 1H), 7.94 - 7.87 (m, 1H), 2.82 (s, 2H), 2.50 (s, 2H), 1.18 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 195.1, 169.3, 156.8, 143.5, 137.7, 126.0, 122.8, 111.4, 51.5, 41.8, 32.4, 28.2. HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C₁₃H₁₂NaO₃S⁺ [*M* + Na⁺]: 271.0399; found: 271.0413.



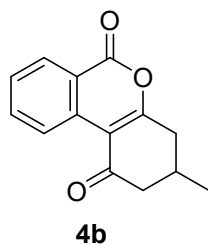
3,3-dimethyl-3,4-dihydro-1H-naphtho[2,3-c]chromene-1,6(2H)-dione

Compound **3r** was isolated as a white solid (45.6 mg, 78% yield). M.P.: 184-185 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.51 (s, 1H), 8.89 (s, 1H), 8.04 - 7.95 (m, 2H), 7.69 - 7.62 (m, 1H), 7.60 - 7.53 (m, 1H), 2.81 (s, 2H), 2.56 (s, 2H), 1.20 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 197.3, 166.8, 161.0, 136.8, 132.0, 131.7, 129.5, 129.2, 129.0, 127.7, 127.2, 125.4, 118.0, 110.6, 52.9, 42.5, 31.9, 28.2. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₁₉H₁₇O₃⁺ [M + H⁺]: 293.1172; found: 293.1181.



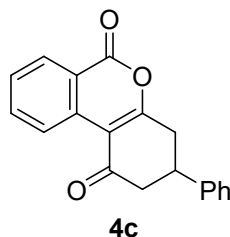
3,4-dihydro-1H-benzo[c]chromene-1,6(2H)-dione

Compound **4a** was isolated as a white solid (36.8 mg, 86% yield). M.P.: 128-129 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.03 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 8.30 - 8.22 (m, 1H), 7.81 - 7.75 (m, 1H), 7.56 - 7.49 (m, 1H), 2.93 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 2.65 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.17 (p, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.9, 169.4, 160.4, 135.6, 134.0, 129.5, 128.4, 126.0, 119.8, 111.5, 38.9, 28.9, 19.9.



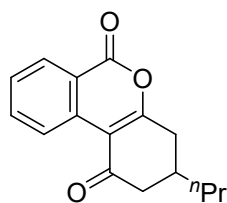
3-methyl-3,4-dihydro-1H-benzo[c]chromene-1,6(2H)-dione

Compound **4b** was isolated as a white solid (36.9 mg, 81% yield). M.P.: 123-124 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.02 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.25 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.80 - 7.73 (m, 1H), 7.54 - 7.47 (m, 1H), 2.96 - 2.89 (m, 1H), 2.72 - 2.61 (m, 2H), 2.47 - 2.32 (m, 2H), 1.18 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.8, 168.8, 160.5, 135.5, 133.9, 129.5, 128.3, 125.8, 119.7, 111.1, 47.1, 36.8, 27.6, 20.7.



3-phenyl-3,4-dihydro-1H-benzo[c]chromene-1,6(2H)-dione

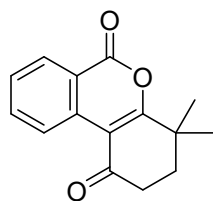
Compound **4c** was isolated as a white solid (51.2 mg, 88% yield). M.P.: 168-169 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.06 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.27 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.82 - 7.76 (m, 1H), 7.57 - 7.50 (m, 1H), 7.42 - 7.36 (m, 2H), 7.34 - 7.28 (m, 3H), 3.60 - 3.52 (m, 1H), 3.21 - 3.09 (m, 2H), 2.98 - 2.85 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 195.9, 168.5, 160.3, 141.4, 135.6, 133.7, 129.5, 129.0, 128.5, 127.4, 126.5, 125.9, 119.7, 111.2, 45.8, 37.9, 36.3.



4d

3-propyl-3,4-dihydro-1H-benzo[c]chromene-1,6(2H)-dione

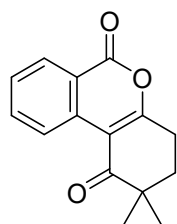
Compound **4d** was isolated as a white solid (48.6 mg, 95% yield). M.P.: 113-114 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.02 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.25 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.79 - 7.74 (m, 1H), 7.53 - 7.48 (m, 1H), 2.98 - 2.90 (m, 1H), 2.76 - 2.69 (m, 1H), 2.68 - 2.60 (m, 1H), 2.40 - 2.23 (m, 2H), 1.50 - 1.36 (m, 4H), 0.94 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.9, 169.0, 160.5, 135.5, 133.9, 129.5, 128.3, 125.8, 119.7, 111.2, 45.4, 37.4, 35.1, 32.2, 19.5, 13.9. HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C₁₆H₁₇O₃⁺ [*M* + H⁺]: 257.1172; found: 257.1164.



4e

4,4-dimethyl-3,4-dihydro-1H-benzo[c]chromene-1,6(2H)-dione

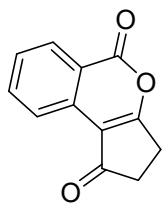
Compound **4e** was isolated as a white solid (22.8 mg, 47% yield). M.P.: 119-120 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.05 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.28 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.80 - 7.75 (m, 1H), 7.56 - 7.48 (m, 1H), 2.70 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.03 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.46 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 197.0, 174.3, 160.6, 135.5, 134.1, 129.4, 128.4, 126.3, 119.8, 110.0, 36.1, 35.8, 34.8, 26.2.



4e'

2,2-dimethyl-3,4-dihydro-1H-benzo[c]chromene-1,6(2H)-dione

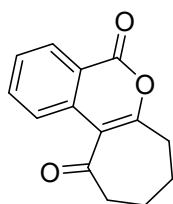
Compound **4e'** was isolated as a white solid (22.8 mg, 47% yield). M.P.: 136-137 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.02 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.27 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.79 - 7.74 (m, 1H), 7.54 - 7.47 (m, 1H), 2.93 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.00 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 1.23 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 201.7, 167.4, 160.6, 135.5, 134.4, 129.5, 128.3, 126.1, 120.0, 109.7, 42.0, 33.1, 25.6, 24.5.



4f

2,3-dihydrocyclopenta[c]isochromene-1,5-dione

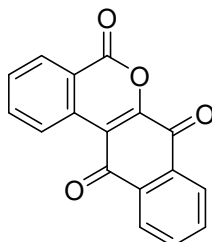
Compound **4f** was isolated as a white solid (37.2 mg, 93% yield). M.P.: 123-124 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.48 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 8.30 - 8.23 (m, 1H), 7.83 - 7.78 (m, 1H), 7.59 - 7.54 (m, 1H), 3.06 - 2.98 (m, 2H), 2.77 - 2.71 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 200.3, 180.4, 161.0, 135.8, 131.8, 130.4, 129.0, 123.2, 118.6, 114.5, 34.6, 25.8.



4g

7,8,9,10-tetrahydrocyclohepta[c]isochromene-5,11-dione

Compound **4g** was isolated as a white solid (11.1 mg, 24% yield). M.P.: 145-146 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.28 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 8.10 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.76 - 7.69 (m, 1H), 7.53 - 7.47 (m, 1H), 2.97 - 2.92 (m, 2H), 2.83 - 2.78 (m, 2H), 1.99 - 1.92 (m, 4H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 202.6, 163.5, 161.1, 135.2, 134.5, 129.6, 128.2, 124.6, 119.6, 116.3, 43.0, 32.3, 23.1, 22.4.

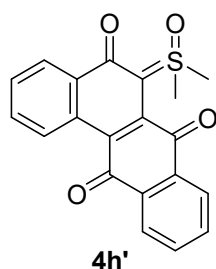


4h

5H-dibenzo[c,g]chromene-5,7,12-trione

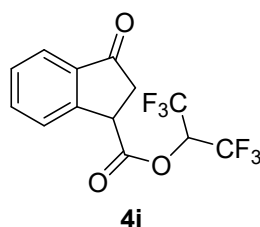
Compound **4h** was isolated as a yellow solid (47.7 mg, 86% yield). M.P.: 251-252 °C.

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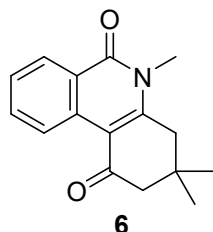
6-(dimethyl(oxo)- λ^6 -sulfanylidene)tetraphene-5,7,12(6*H*)-trione

Compound **4h'** was isolated as a maroon solid (7.1 mg, 10% yield). M.P.: 263-264 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.56 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.41 - 8.36 (m, 1H), 8.20 - 8.16 (m, 1H), 7.97 - 7.93 (m, 1H), 7.77 - 7.70 (m, 2H), 7.68 - 7.62 (m, 1H), 7.59 - 7.51 (m, 1H), 4.01 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 185.9, 182.6, 174.1, 142.2, 134.3, 134.0, 133.8, 133.6, 132.6, 132.5, 132.1, 129.1, 127.9, 126.7, 125.4, 124.9, 119.0, 97.7, 43.8. HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C₂₀H₁₅O₄S⁺ [M + H⁺]: 351.0686; found: 351.0680.



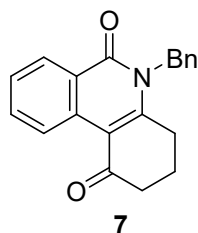
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Compound **4i** was isolated as a white solid (41.3 mg, 63% yield). M.P.: 102-103 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.82 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.72 - 7.64 (m, 2H), 7.52 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 5.86 - 5.76 (m, 1H), 4.50 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 3.16 (dd, *J* = 19.2, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 2.99 (dd, *J* = 19.2, 8.4 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 202.4, 169.0, 148.7, 136.3, 135.4, 129.5, 126.3, 124.4, 121.2 - 121.1 (m), 119.4 - 119.2 (m), 67.2 (p, *J* = 35.0 Hz), 42.8, 39.0. ¹⁹F NMR (565 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -72.99 (q, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 3F), -73.17 (q, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 3F). HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C₁₃H₉F₆O₃⁺ [M + H⁺]: 327.0450; found: 327.0453.



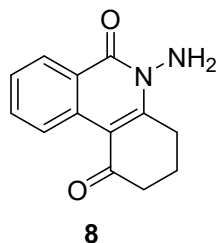
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Compound **6** was isolated as a white solid (49.1 mg, 96% yield). M.P.: 150-151 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.23 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.39 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.72 - 7.66 (m, 1H), 7.48 - 7.43 (m, 1H), 3.63 (s, 3H), 2.81 (s, 2H), 2.47 (s, 2H), 1.15 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.8, 162.9, 152.2, 133.5, 133.3, 127.6, 126.8, 125.8, 123.7, 110.4, 52.1, 42.6, 31.8, 31.2, 28.3. HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C₁₆H₁₈NO₂⁺ [M + H⁺]: 256.1332; found: 256.1324.



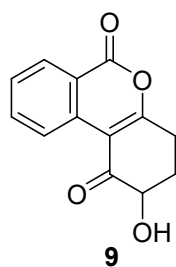
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Compound **7** was isolated as a white solid (41.8 mg, 69% yield). M.P.: 173-174 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.23 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 8.47 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.79 - 7.73 (m, 1H), 7.56 - 7.49 (m, 1H), 7.33 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 7.29 - 7.25 (m, 1H), 7.14 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 5.51 (s, 2H), 2.93 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.59 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 2.04 (p, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.7, 162.8, 154.2, 136.0, 134.0, 133.6, 129.0, 128.0, 127.6, 127.1, 126.3, 126.0, 124.1, 111.9, 47.3, 38.6, 28.4, 20.9.



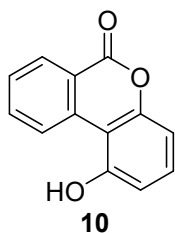
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Compound **8** was isolated as a white solid (38.3 mg, 84% yield). M.P.: 187-188 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.24 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 8.37 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.72 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 5.03 (s, 2H), 3.24 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.60 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.14 (p, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.8, 161.9, 154.8, 133.7, 133.6, 127.3, 126.8, 126.2, 122.9, 110.4, 38.8, 27.3, 20.6. HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C₁₃H₁₃N₂O₂⁺ [M + H⁺]: 229.0972; found: 229.0965.



2-hydroxy-3,4-dihydro-1H-benzo[c]chromene-1,6(2H)-dione

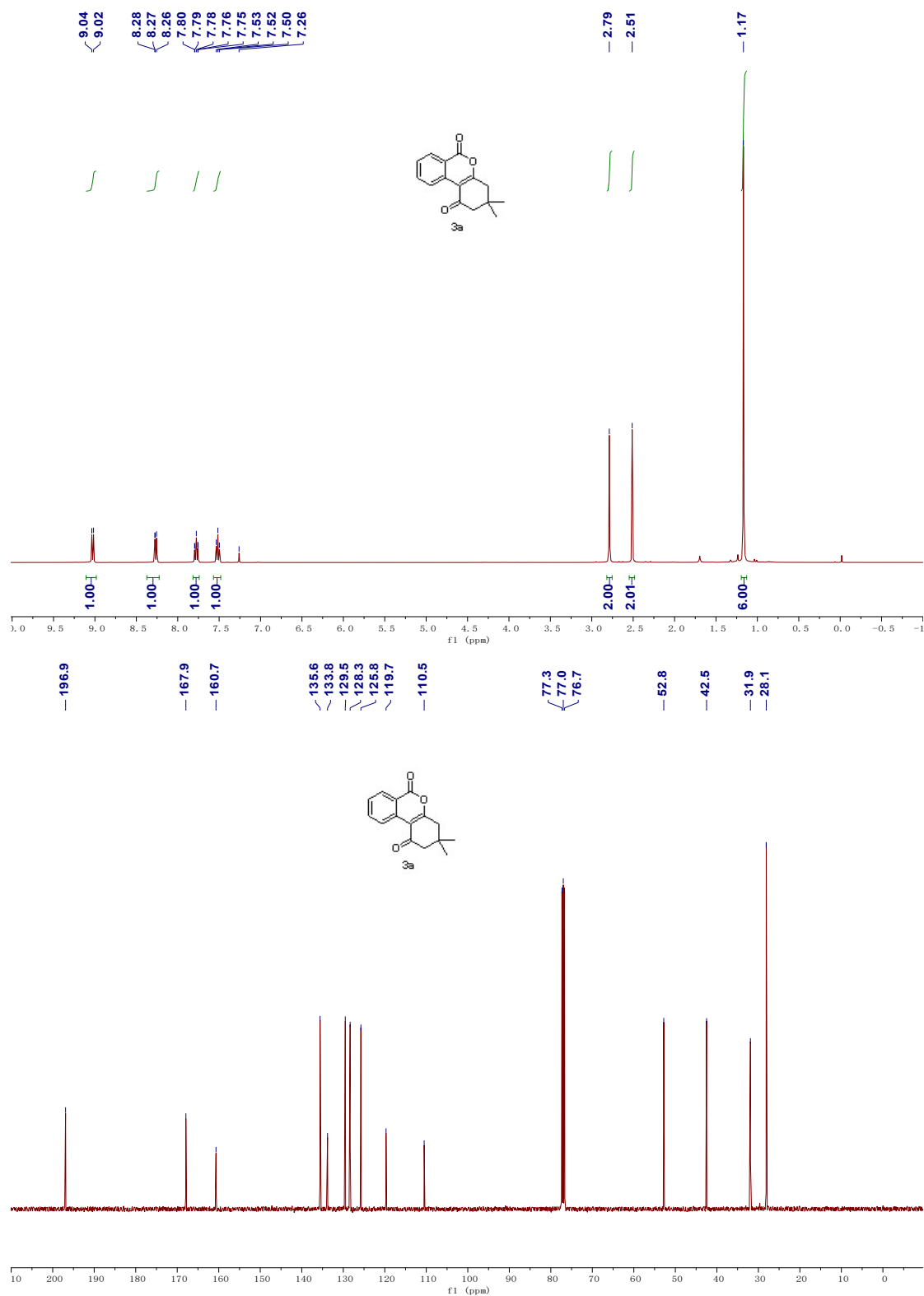
Compound **9** was isolated as a white solid (34.5 mg, 75% yield). M.P.: 186-187 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.95 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.30 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.84 - 7.79 (m, 1H), 7.59 - 7.54 (m, 1H), 4.31 (dd, *J* = 13.8, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 3.96 (s, 1H), 3.17 - 3.08 (m, 1H), 3.01 - 2.95 (m, 1H), 2.58 - 2.54 (m, 1H), 2.13 - 2.00 (m, 1H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 197.7, 168.9, 160.0, 135.8, 133.3, 129.8, 128.9, 125.3, 119.5, 109.5, 72.0, 28.4, 27.2.

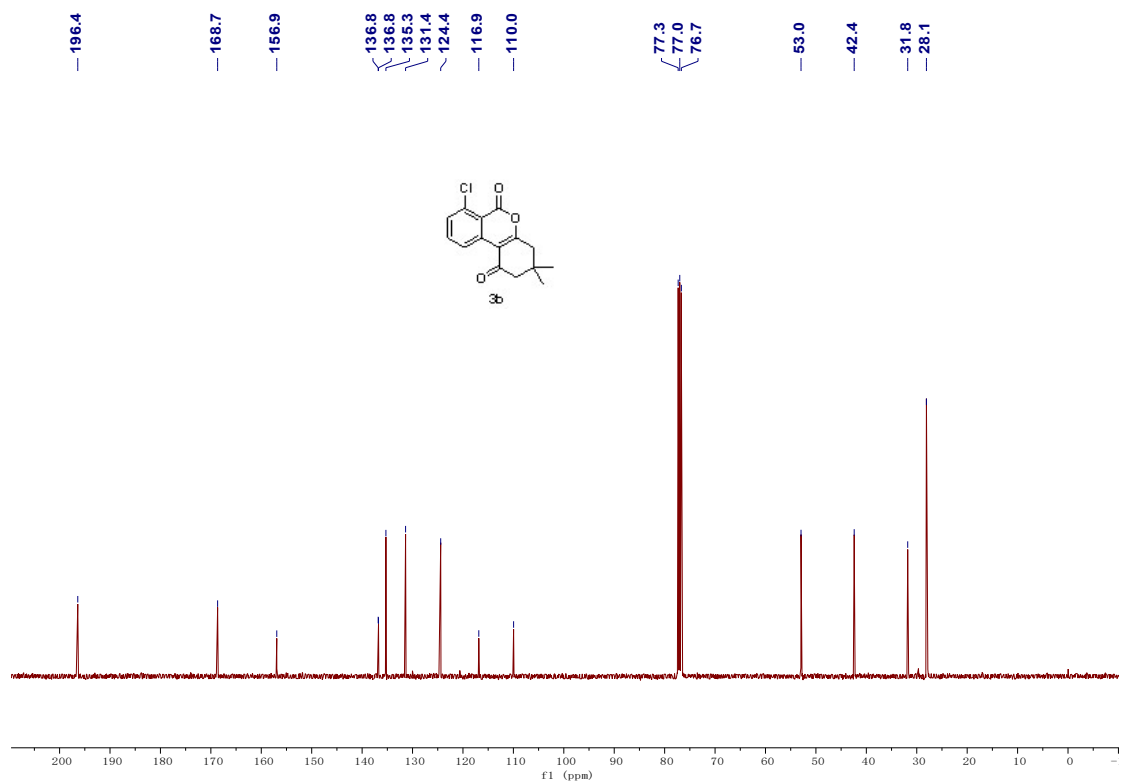
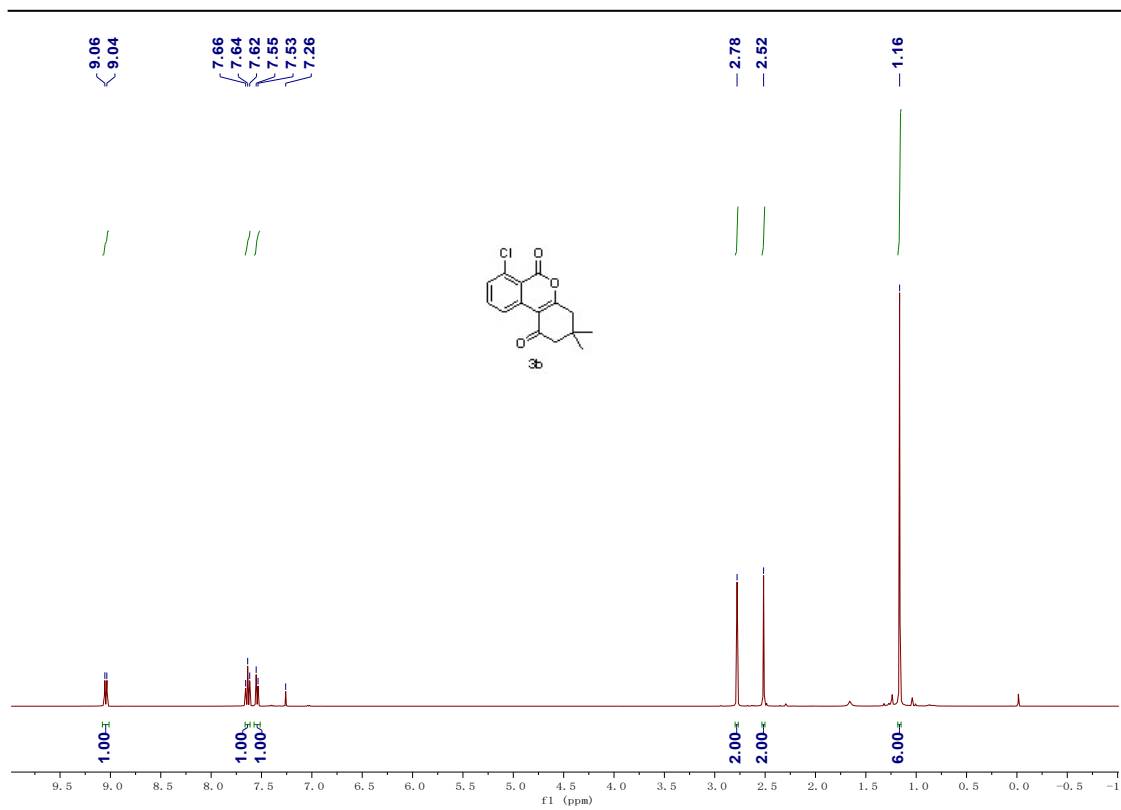


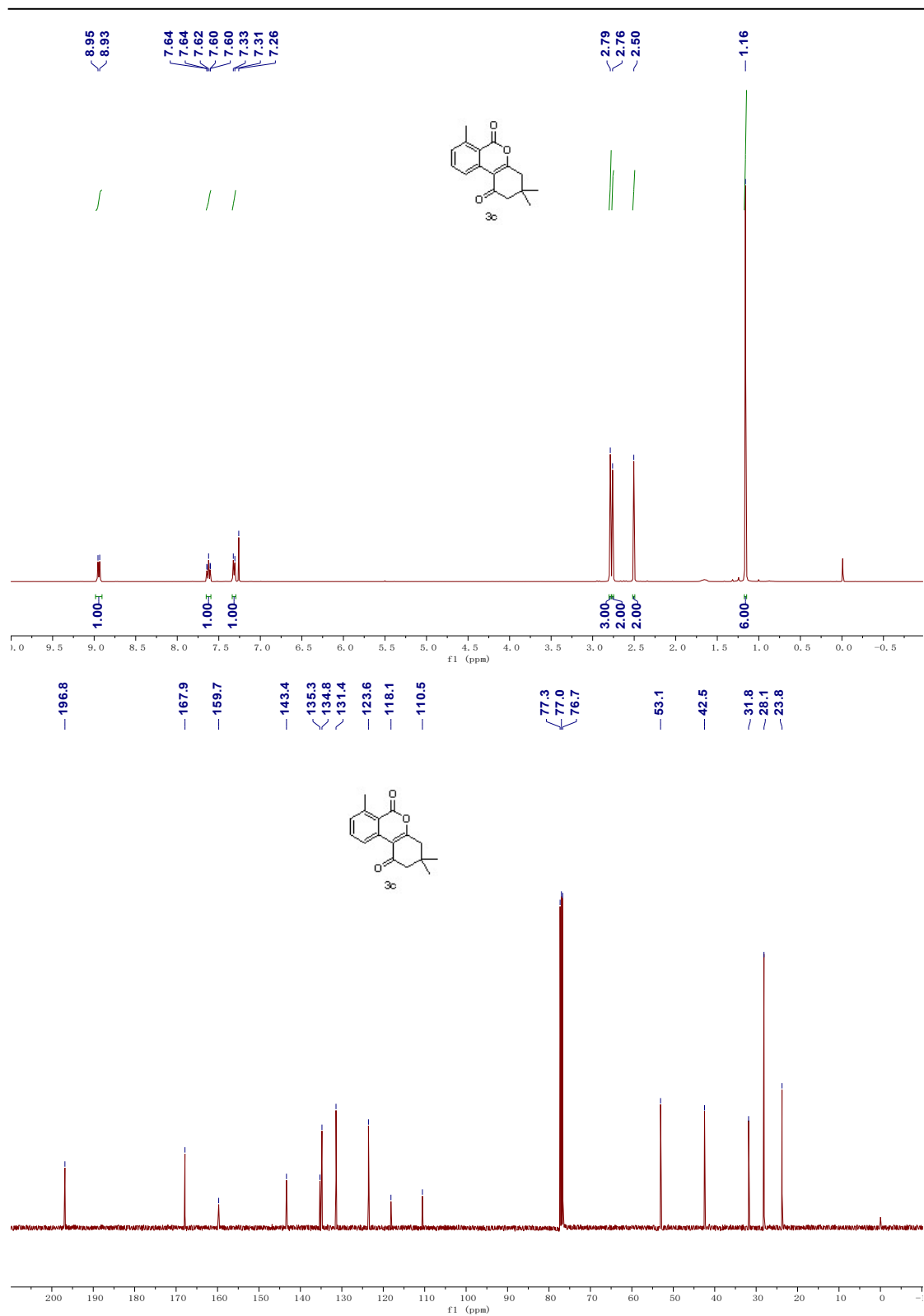
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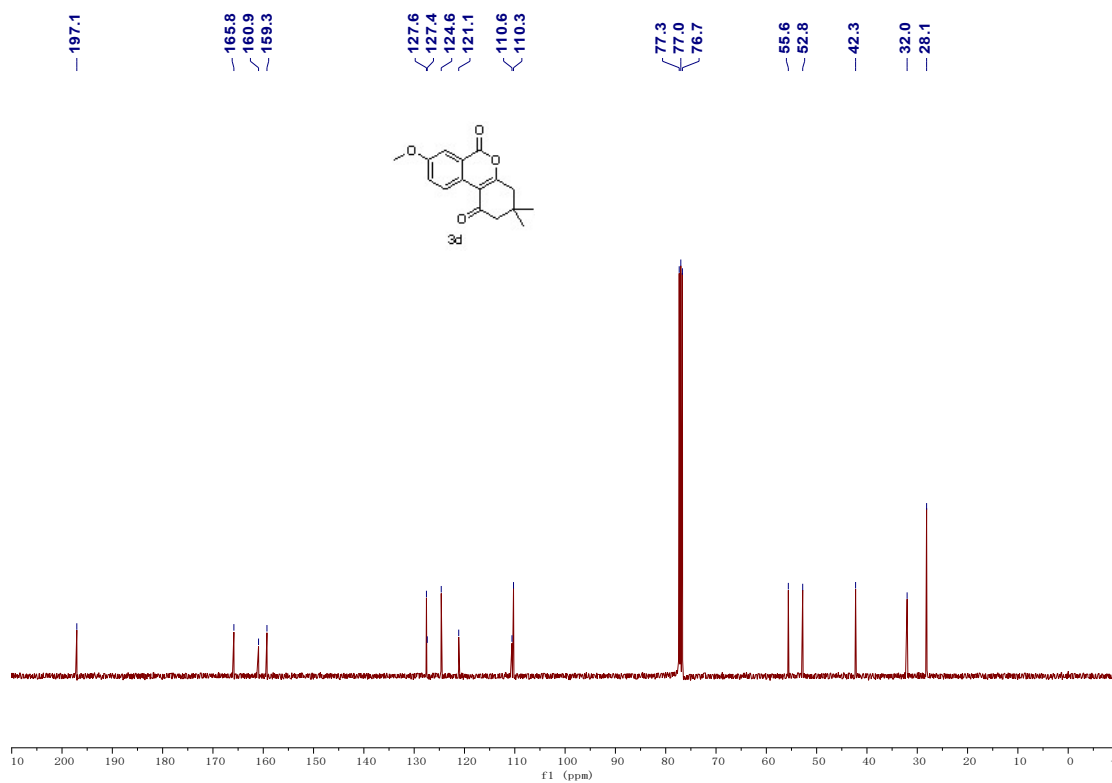
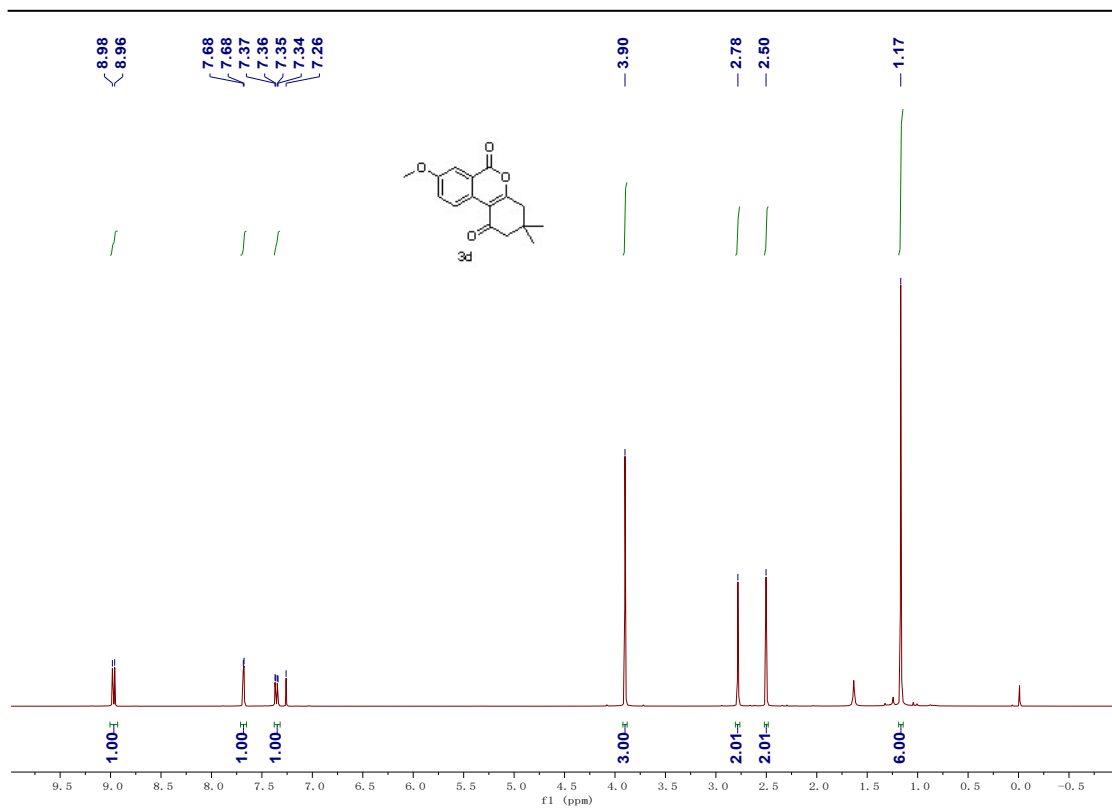
Compound **10** was isolated as a yellow solid (26.3 mg, 62% yield). M.P.: 241-242 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 11.05 (s, 1H), 9.14 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.27 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.93 - 7.89 (m, 1H), 7.62 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.35 (t, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.91 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.87 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 160.4, 156.6, 152.1, 135.0, 134.5, 130.2, 129.4, 127.9, 127.1, 120.0, 112.0, 107.7, 106.0.

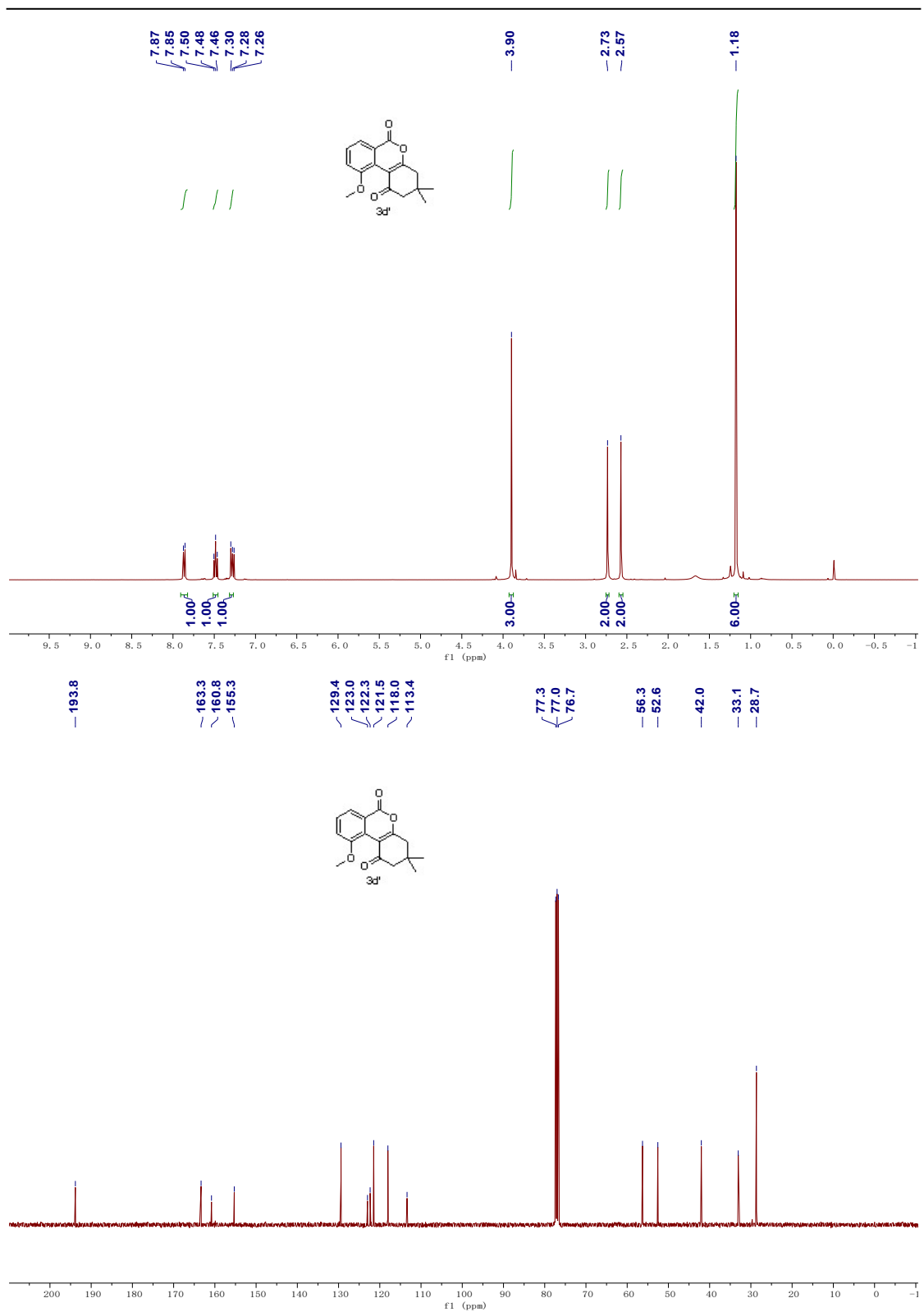
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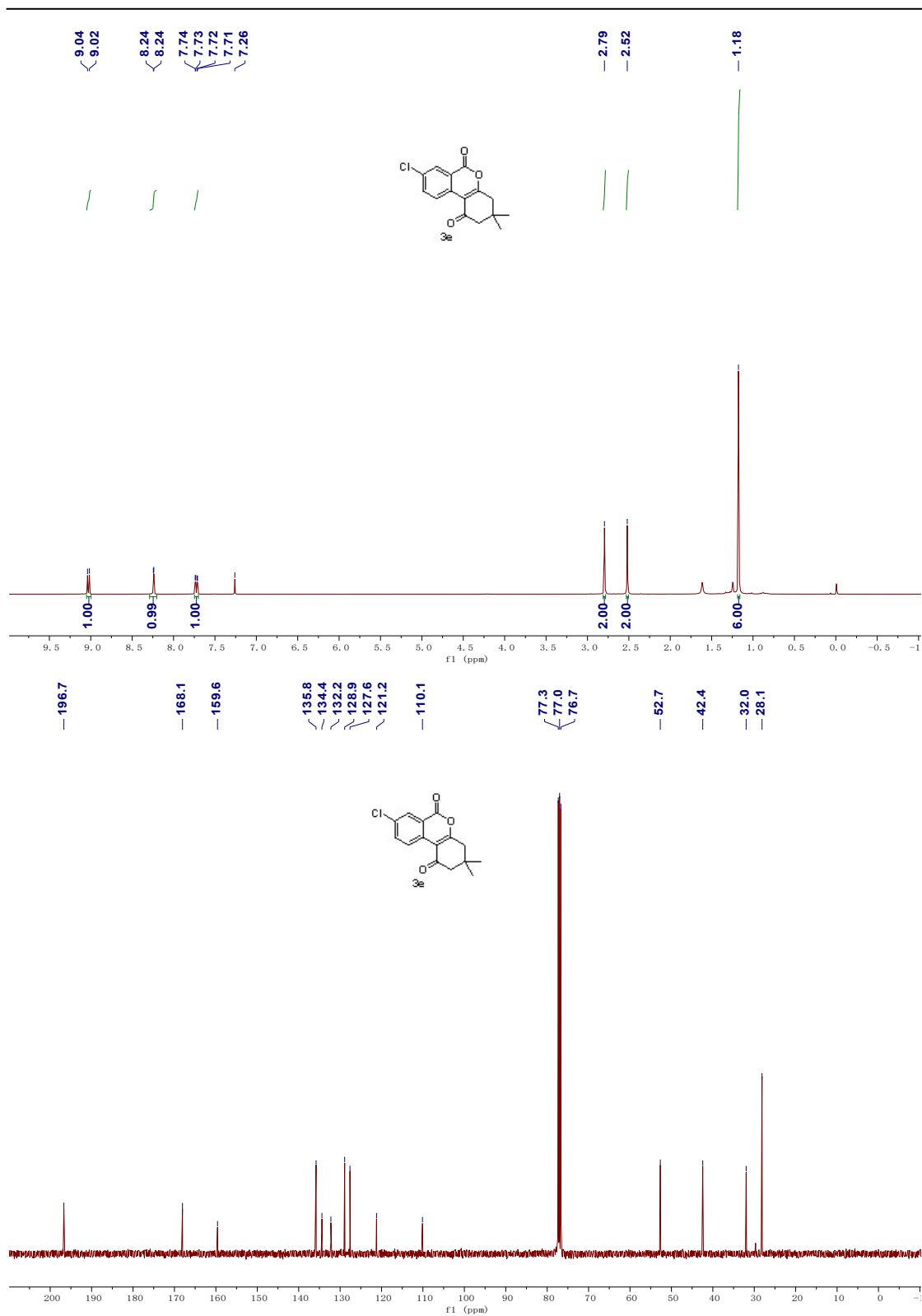


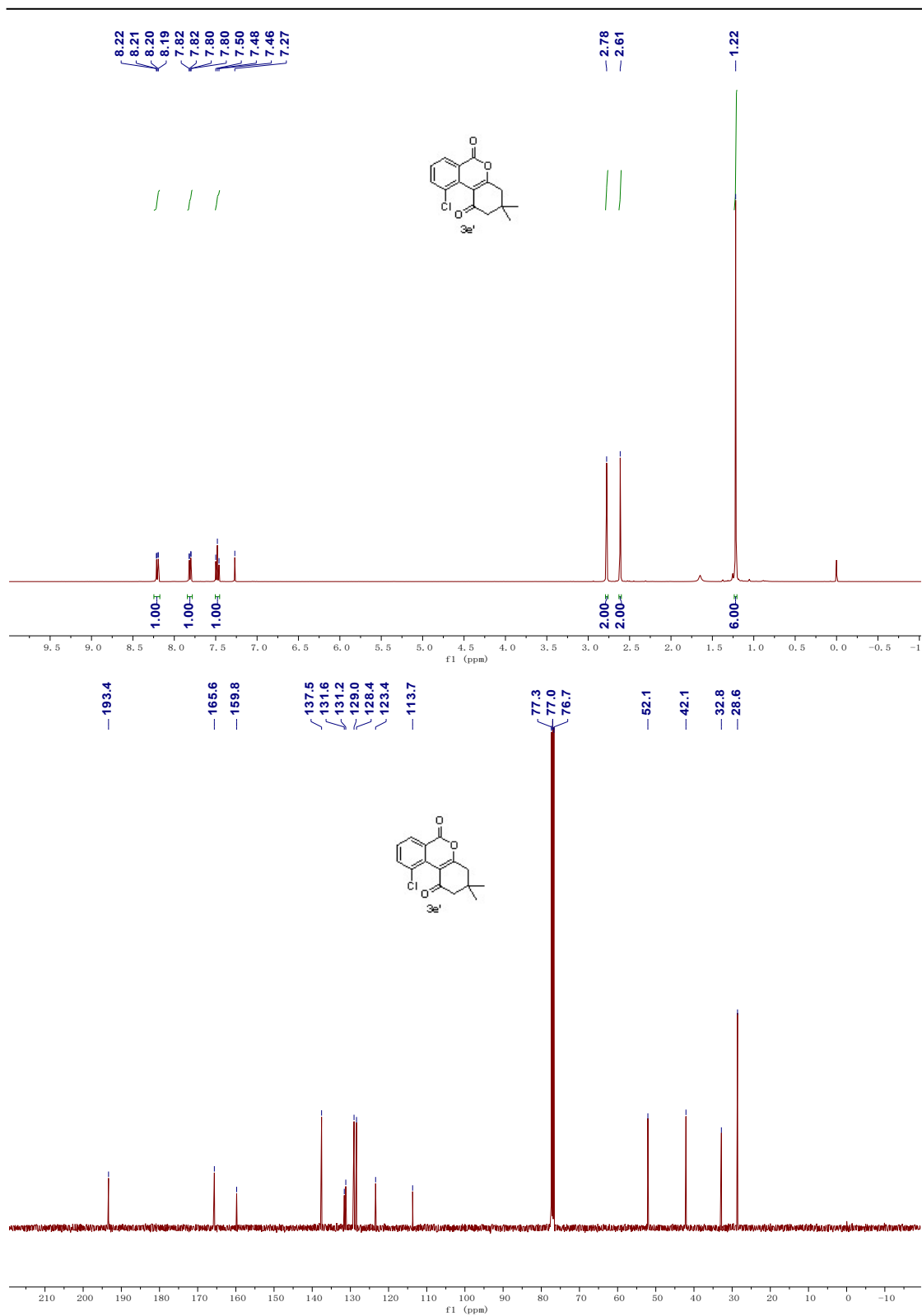


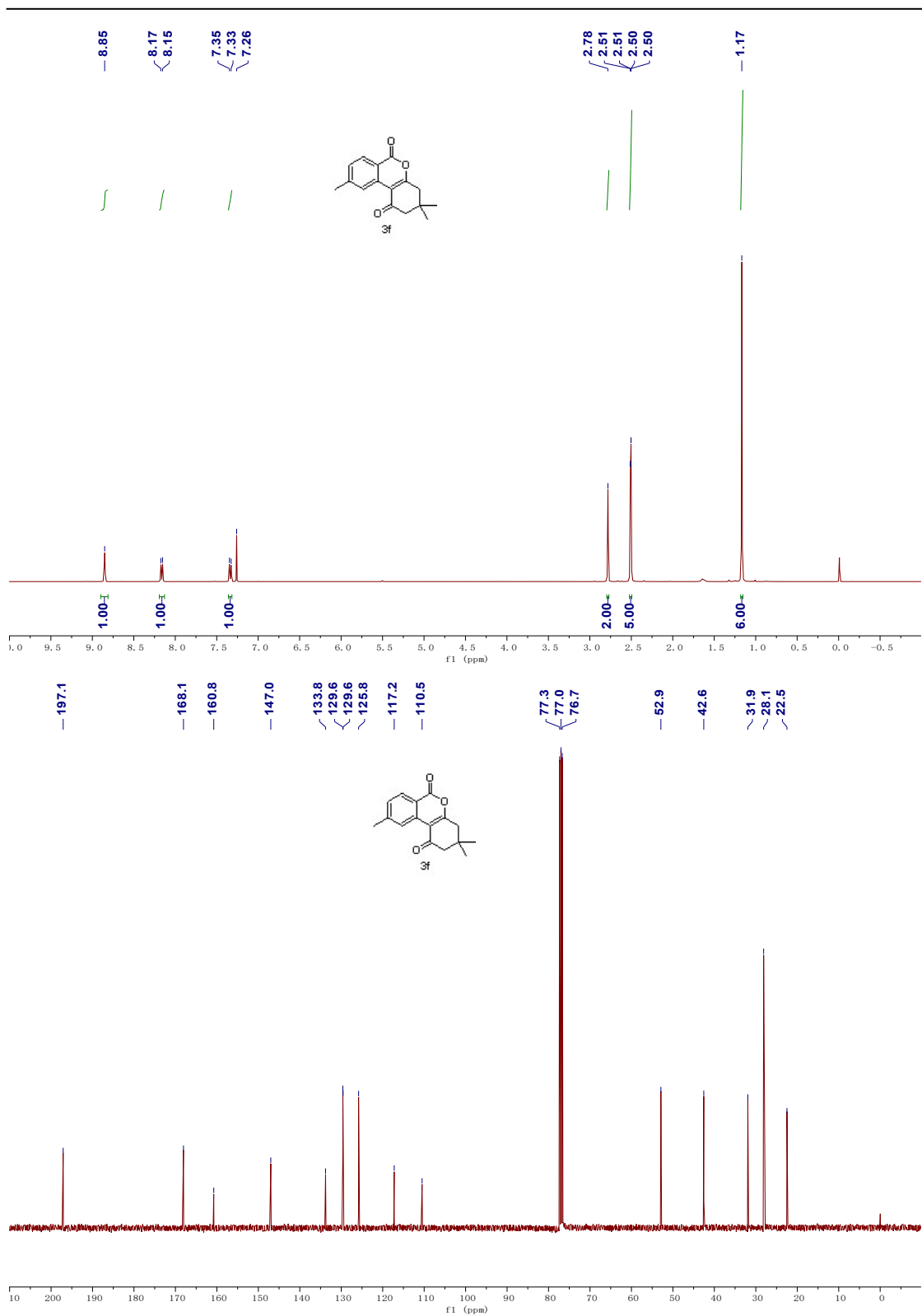


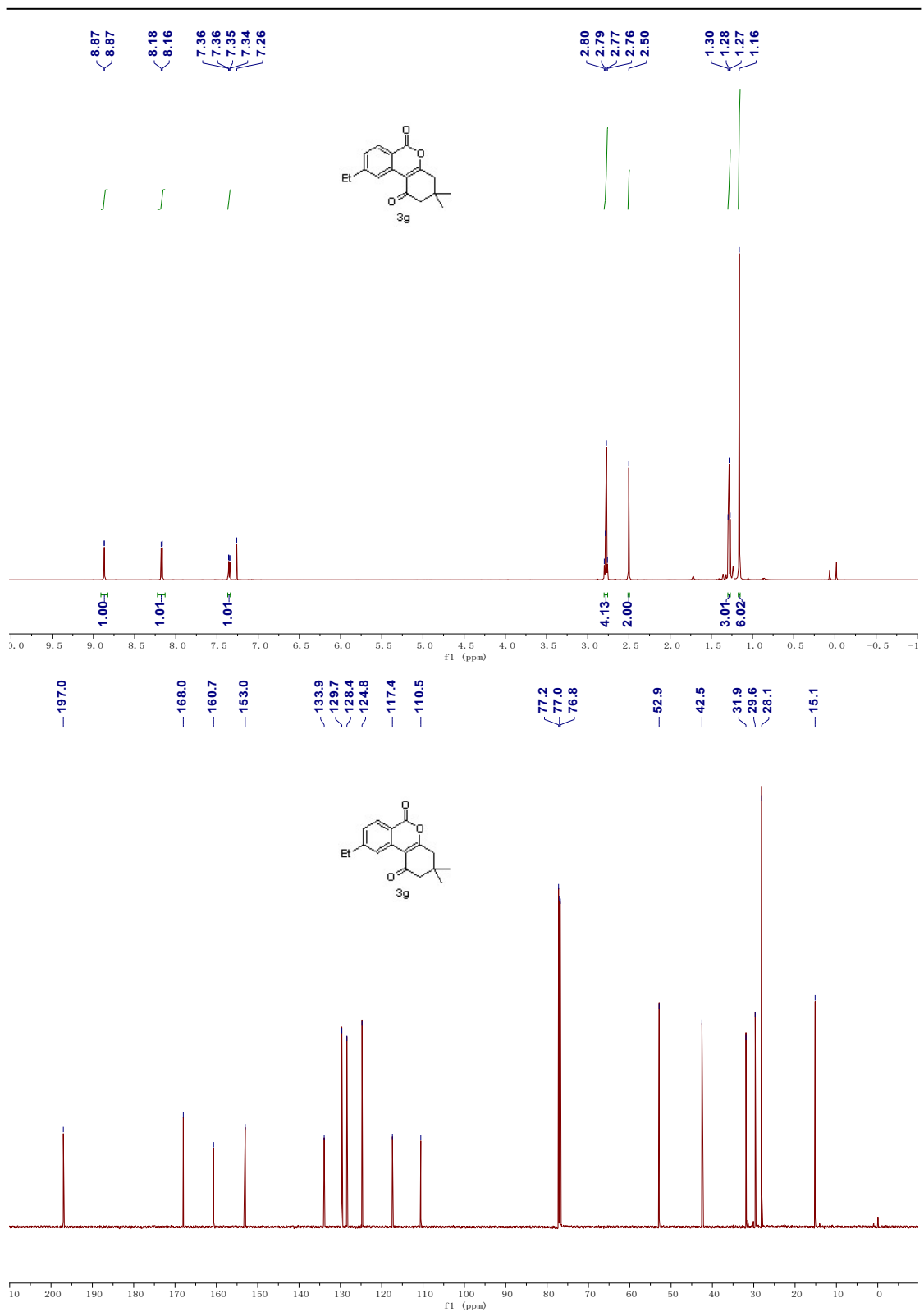


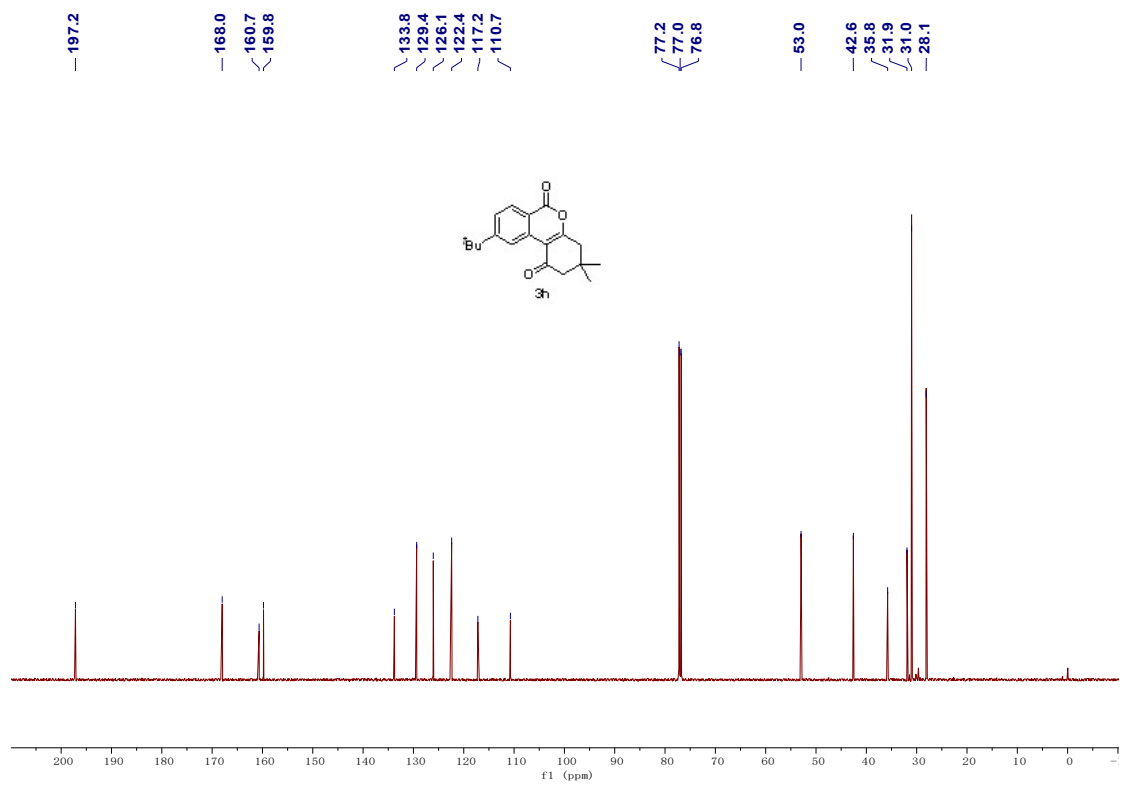
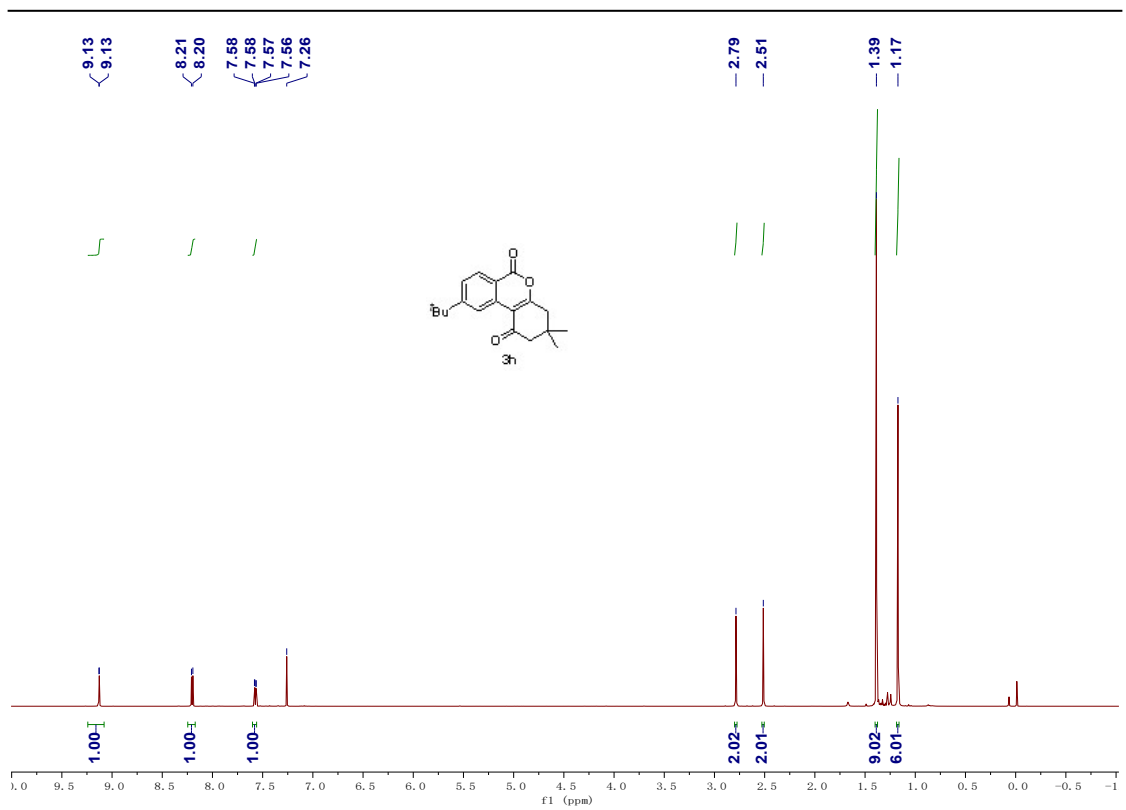


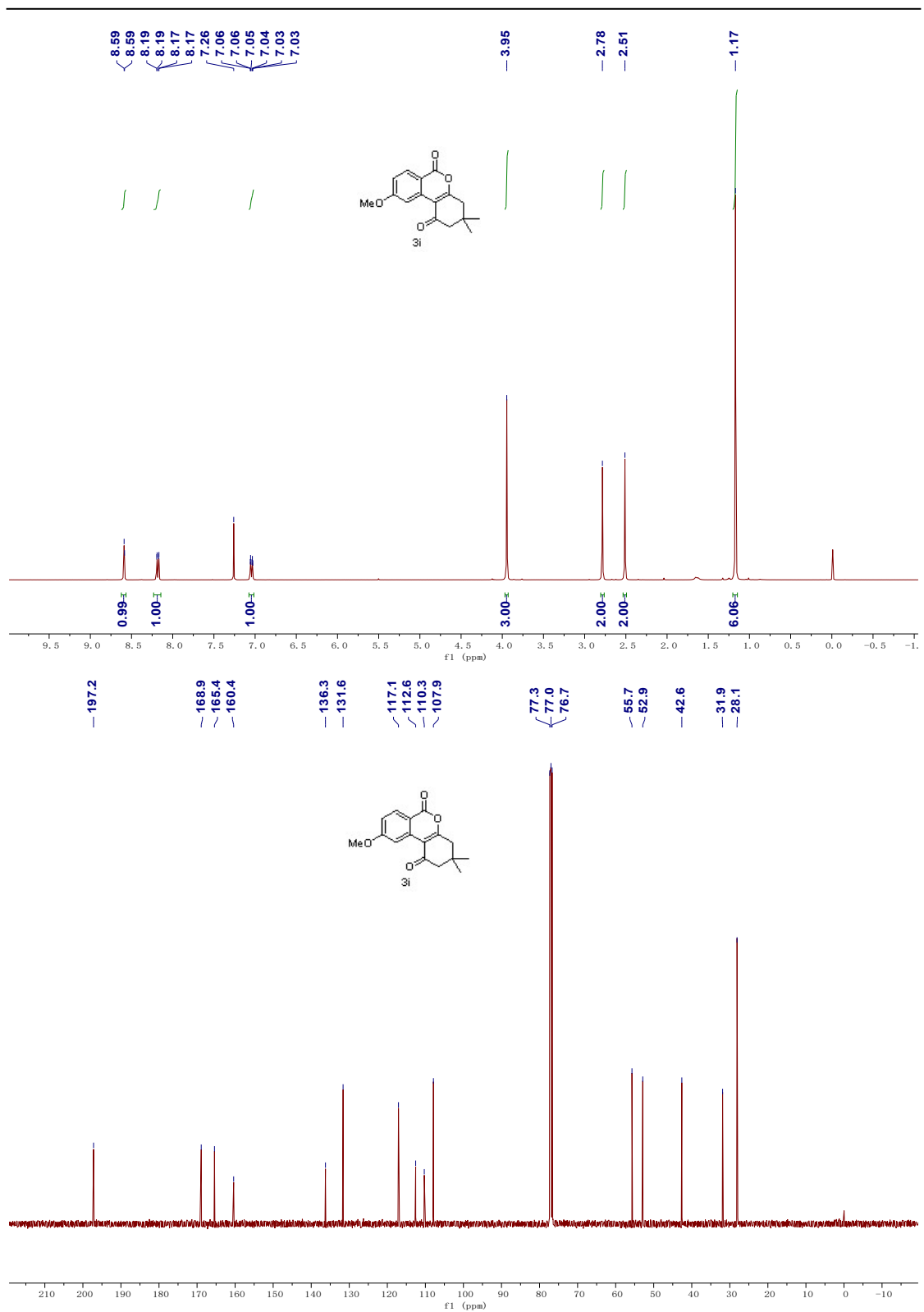


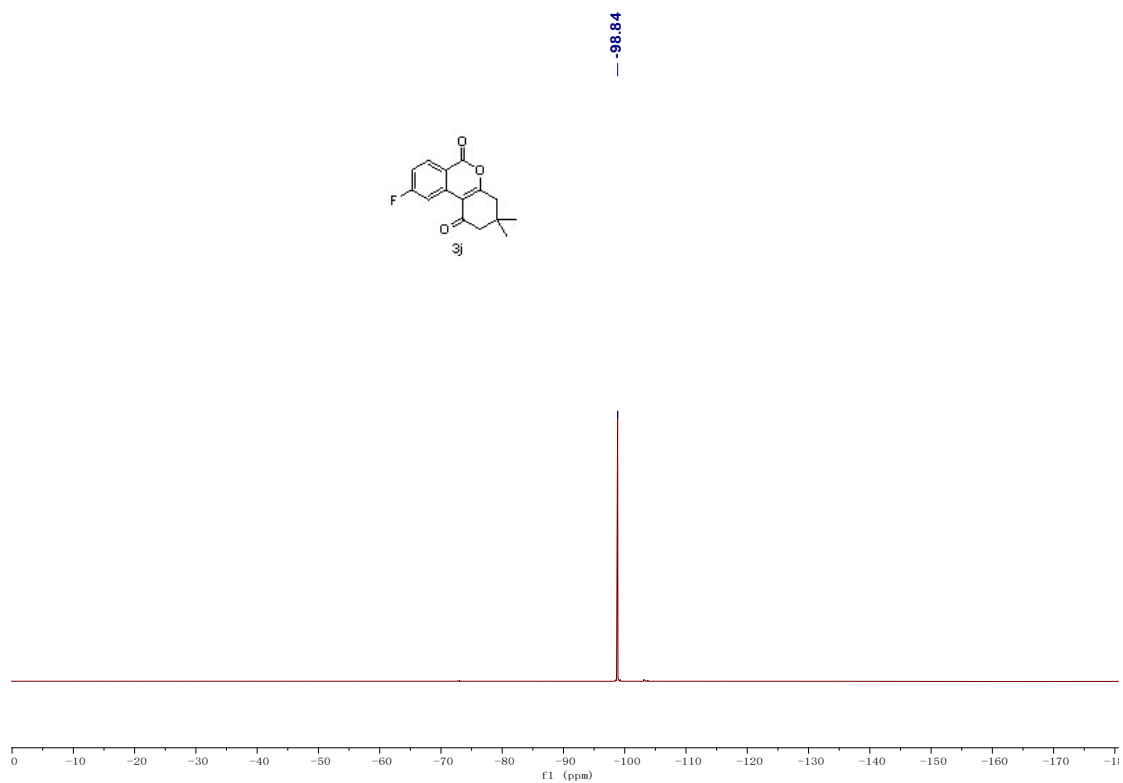
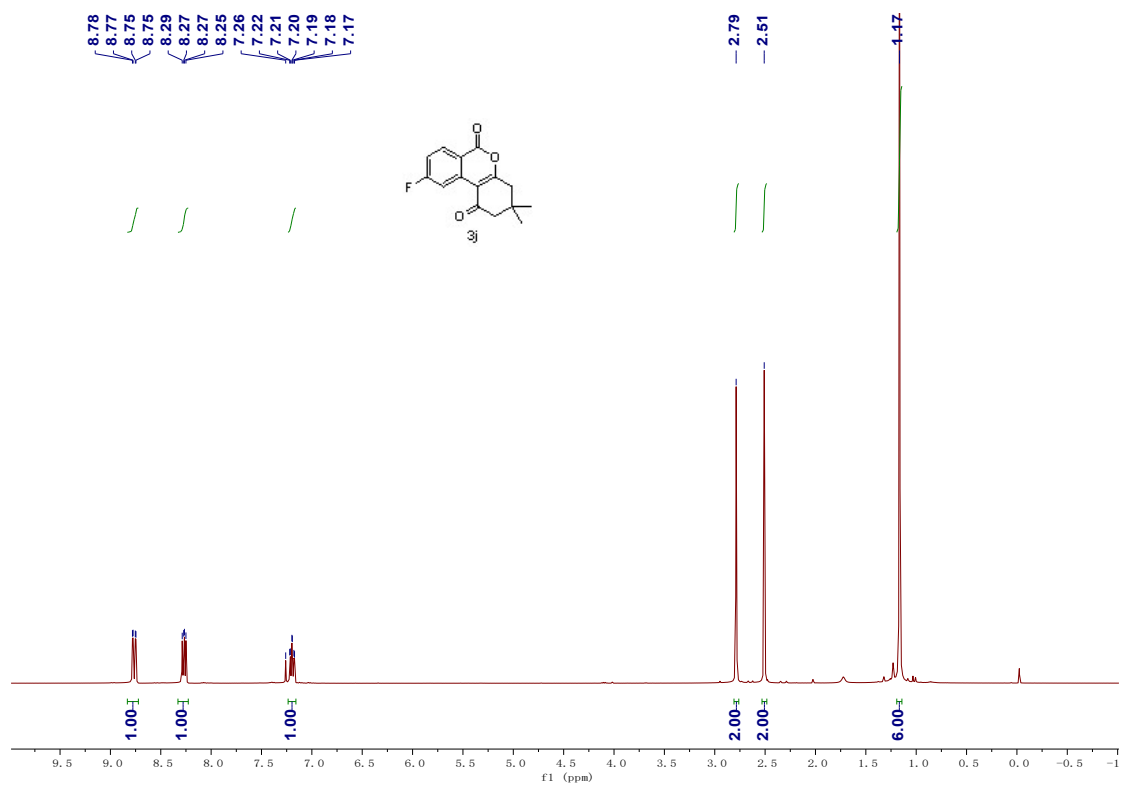


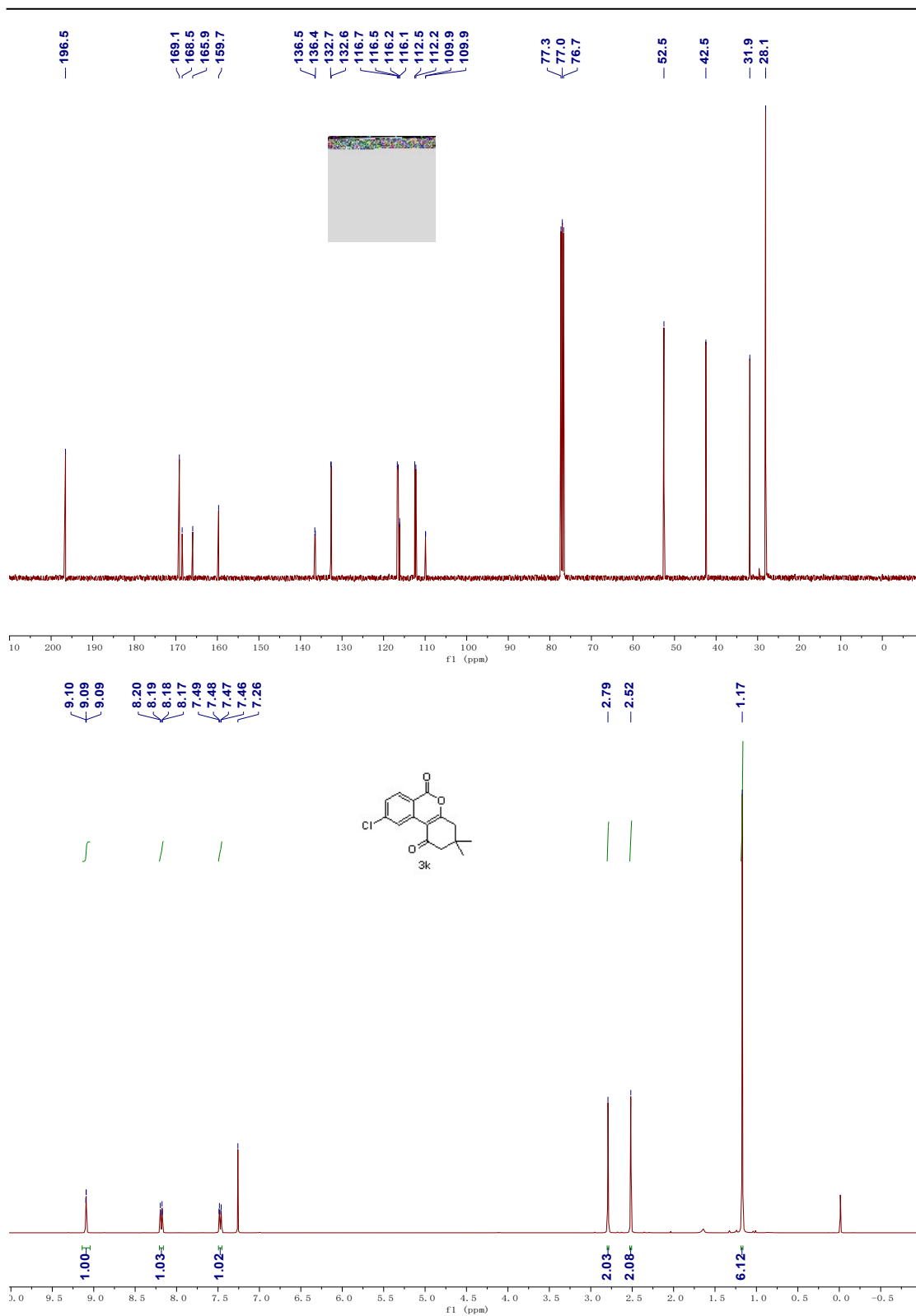


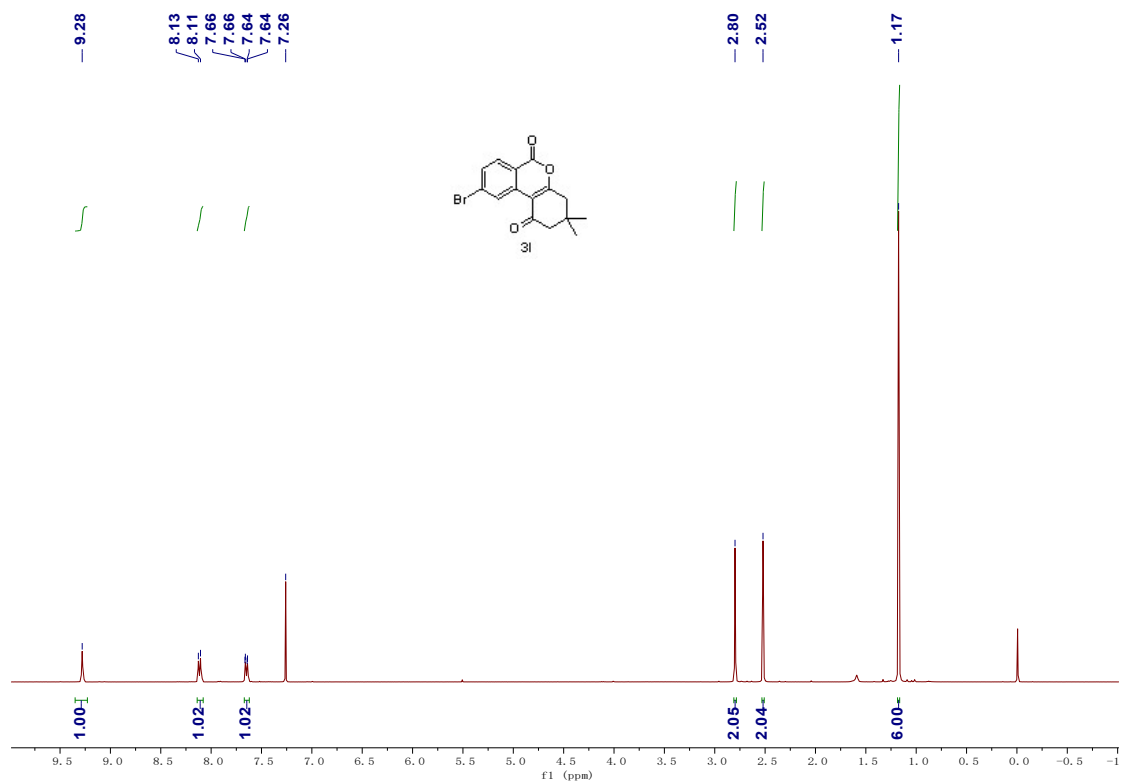
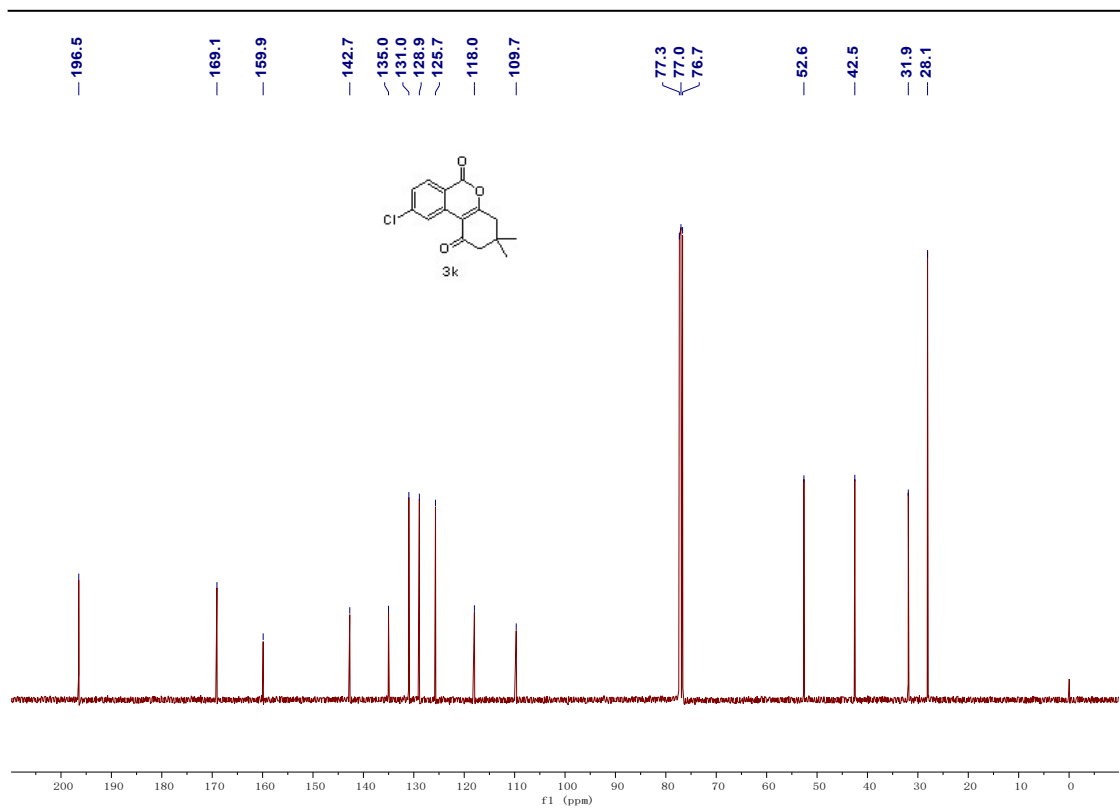


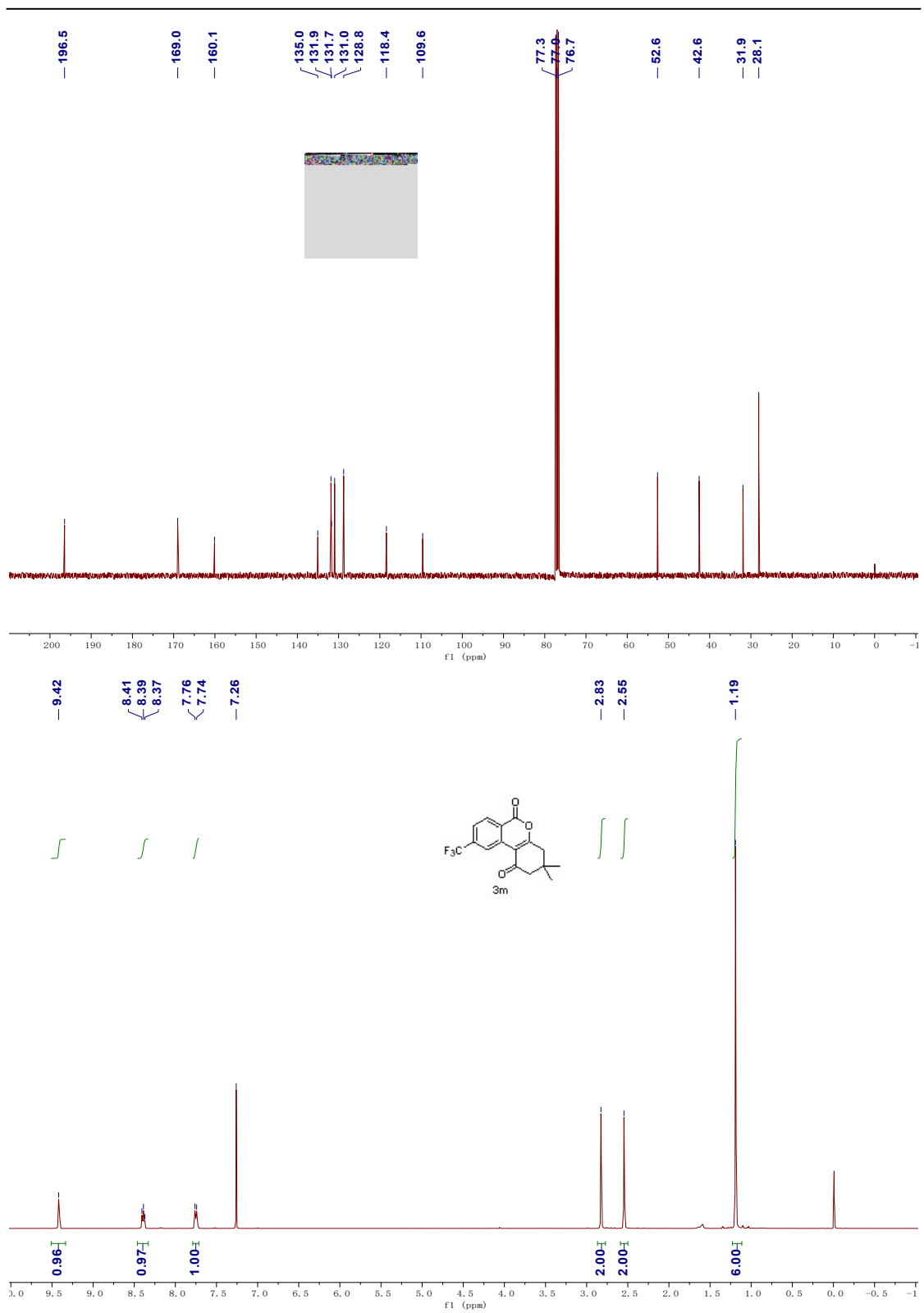


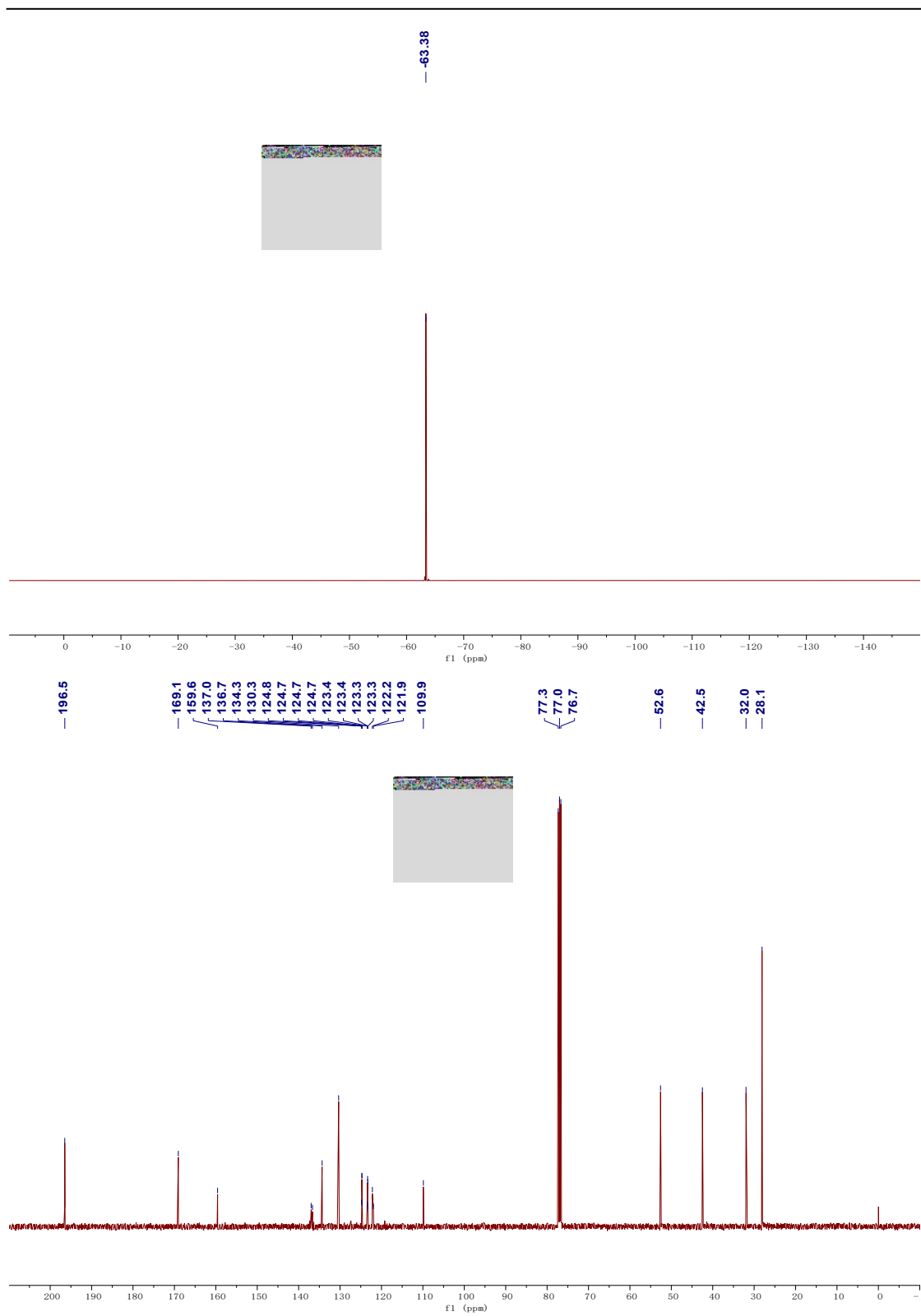


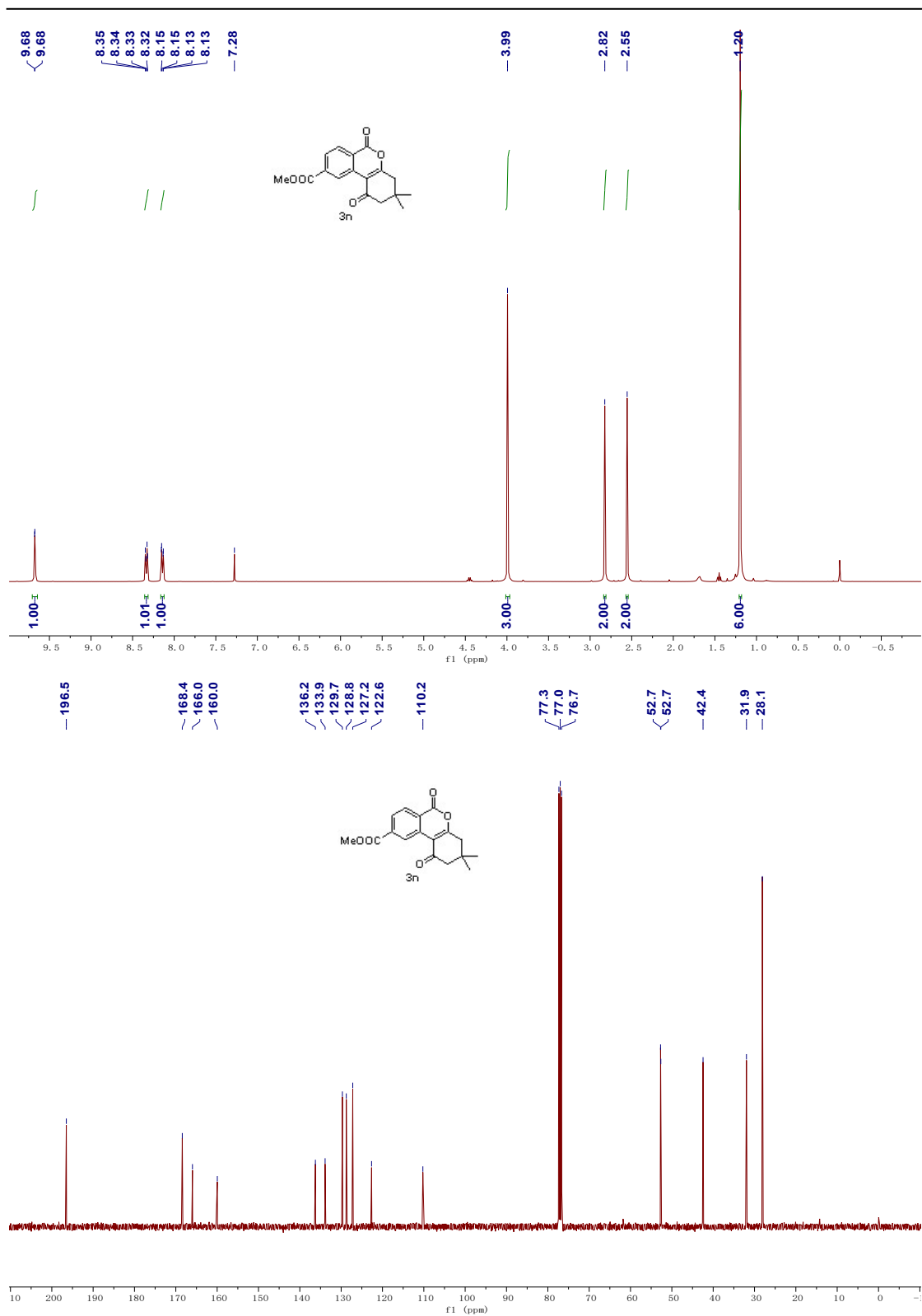


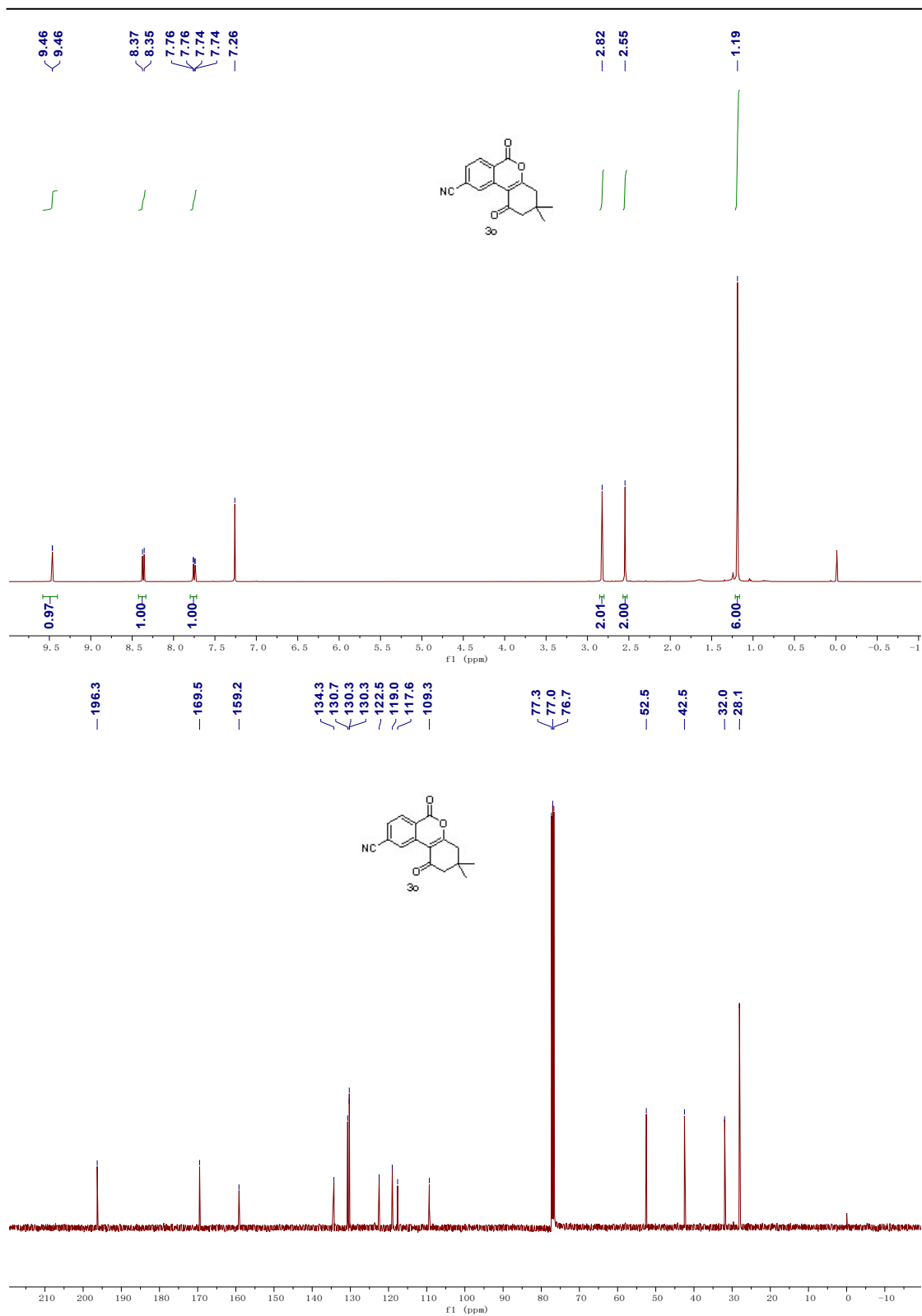


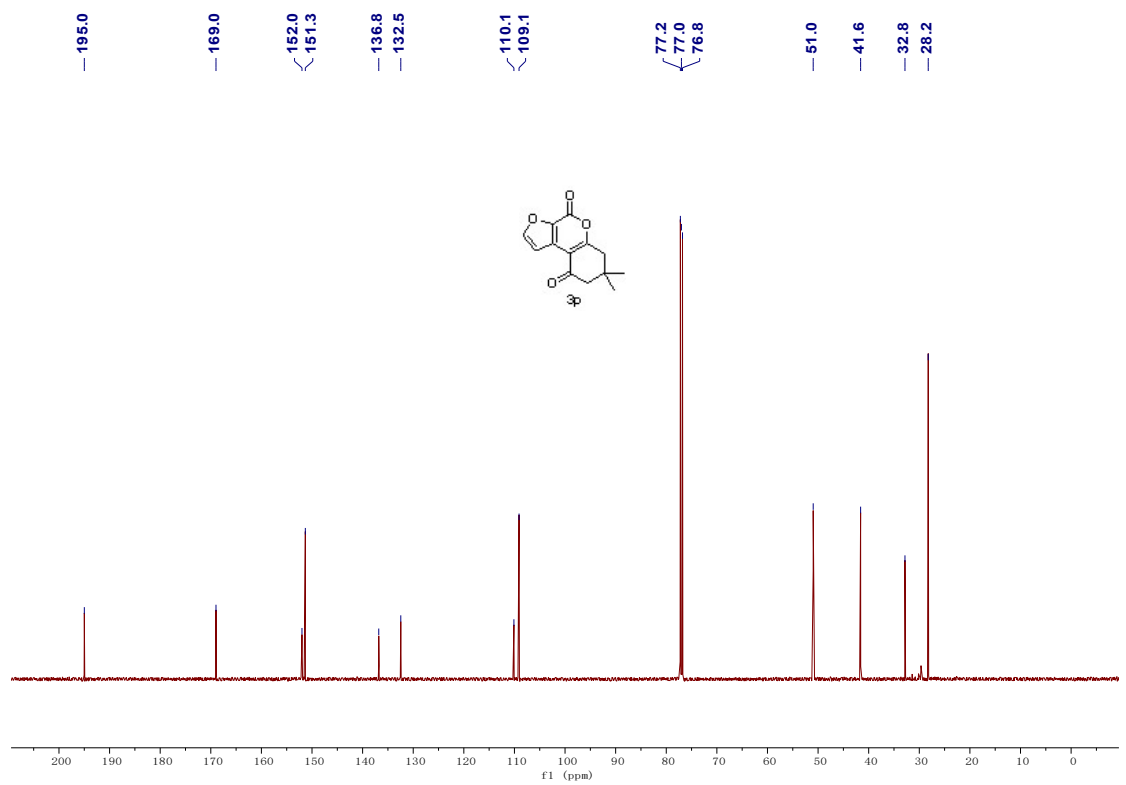
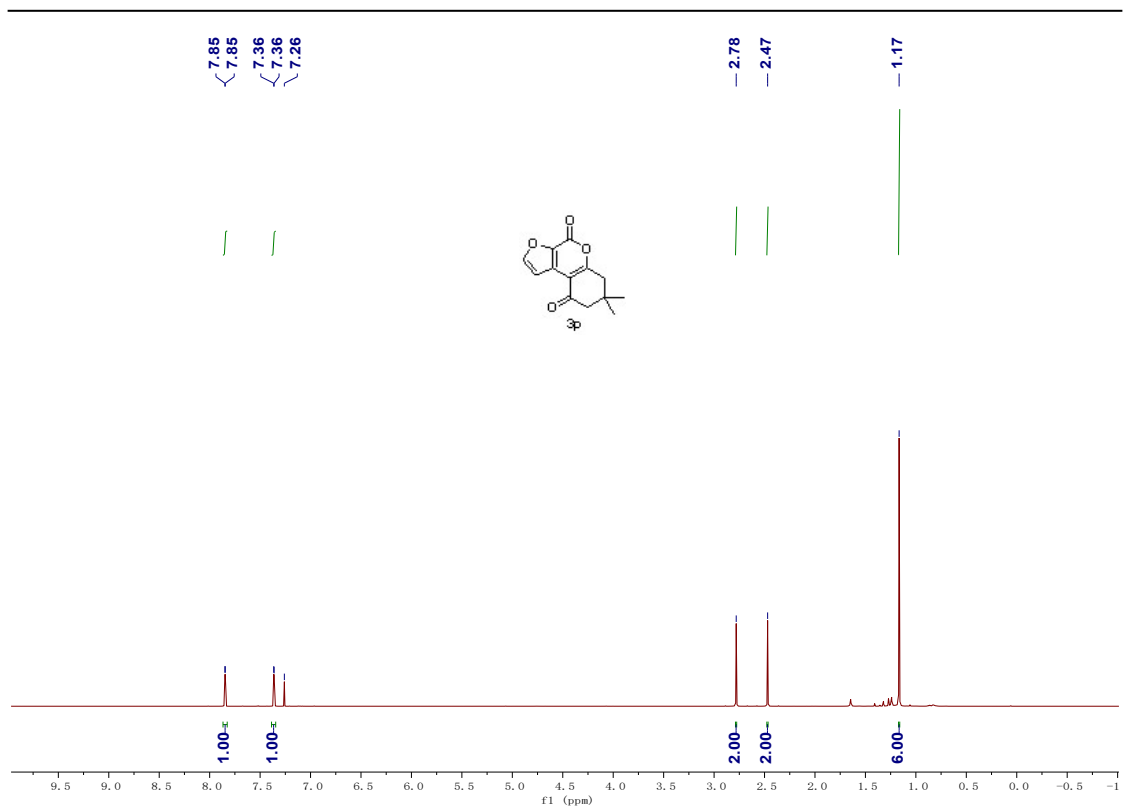


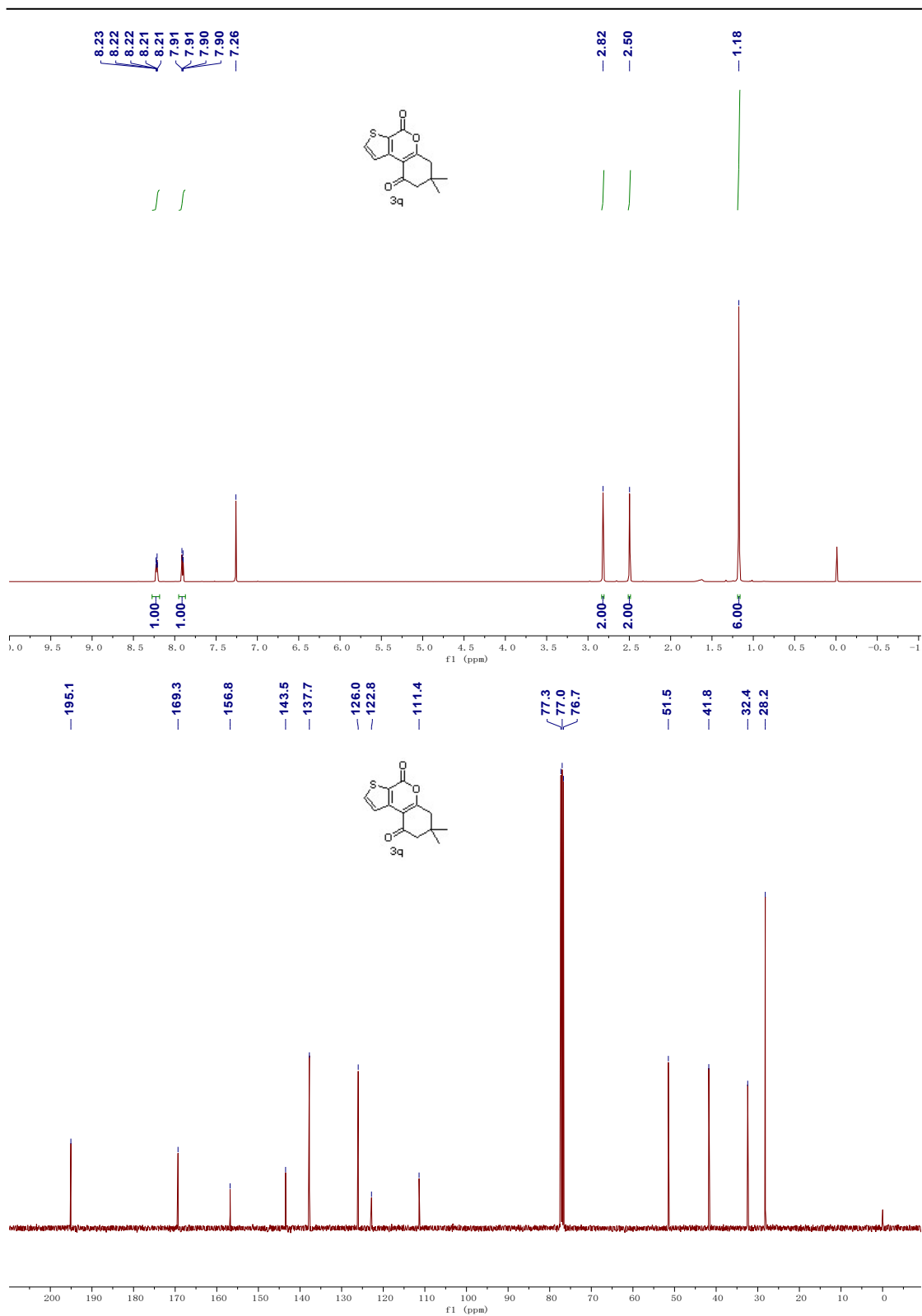


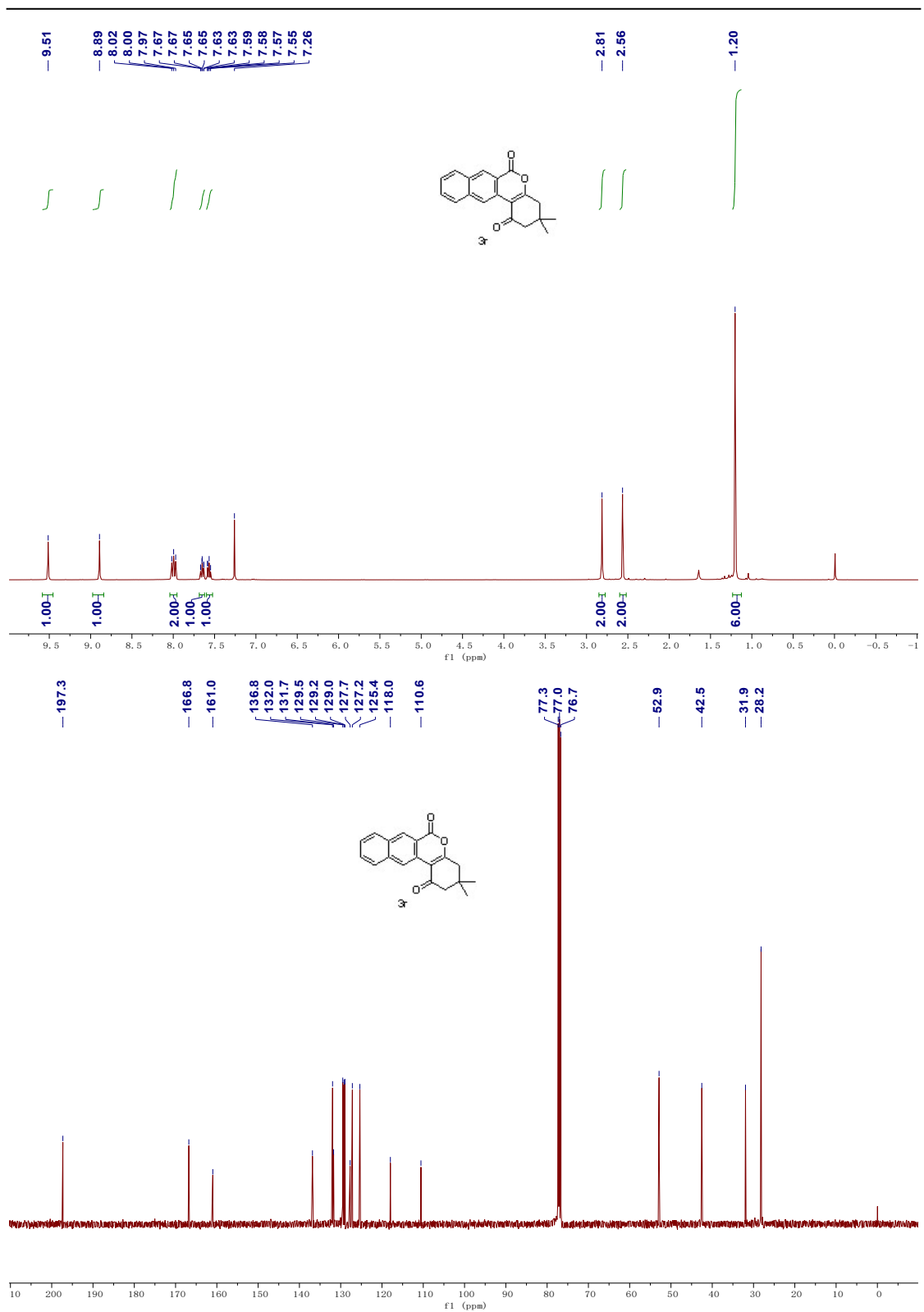


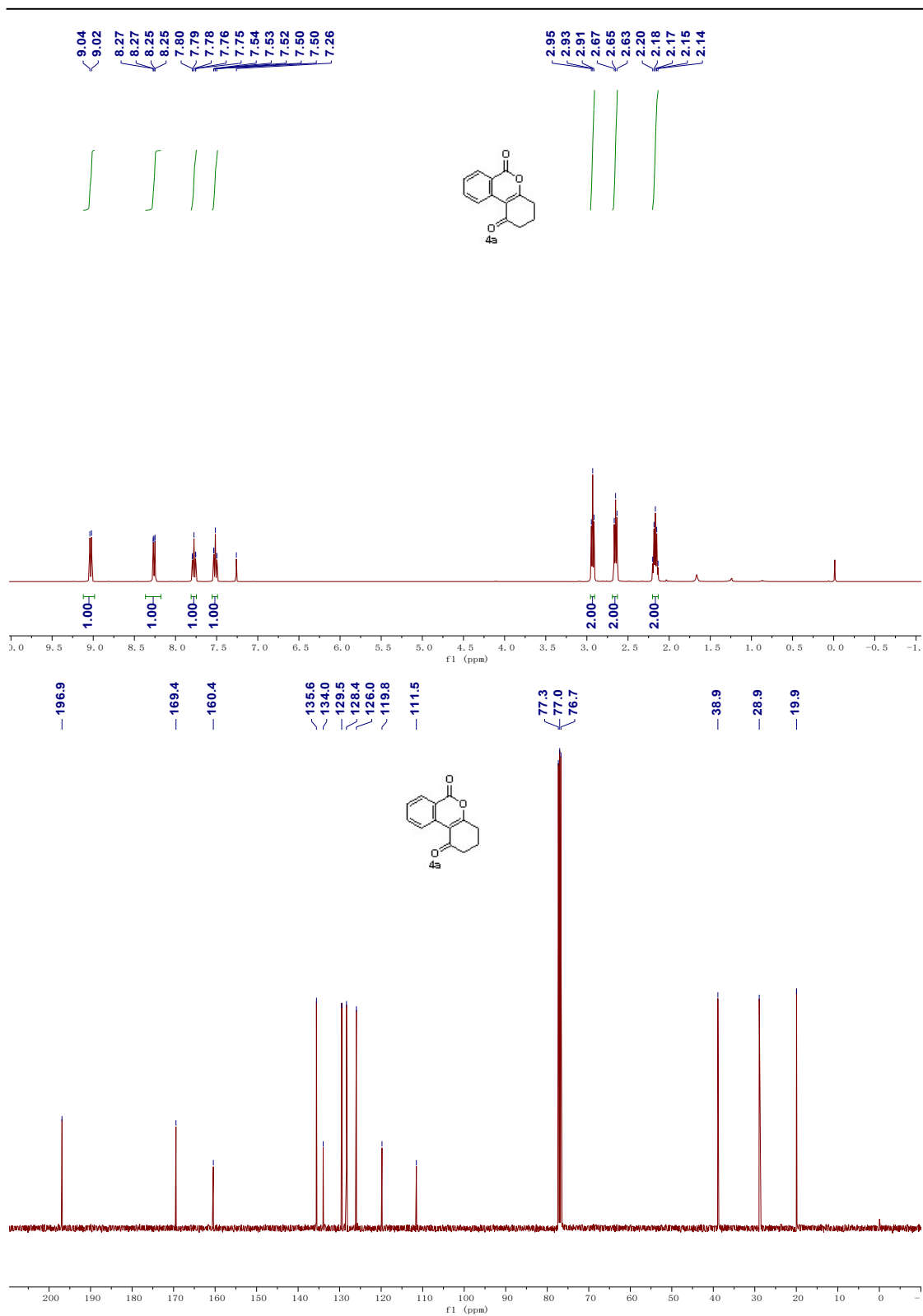


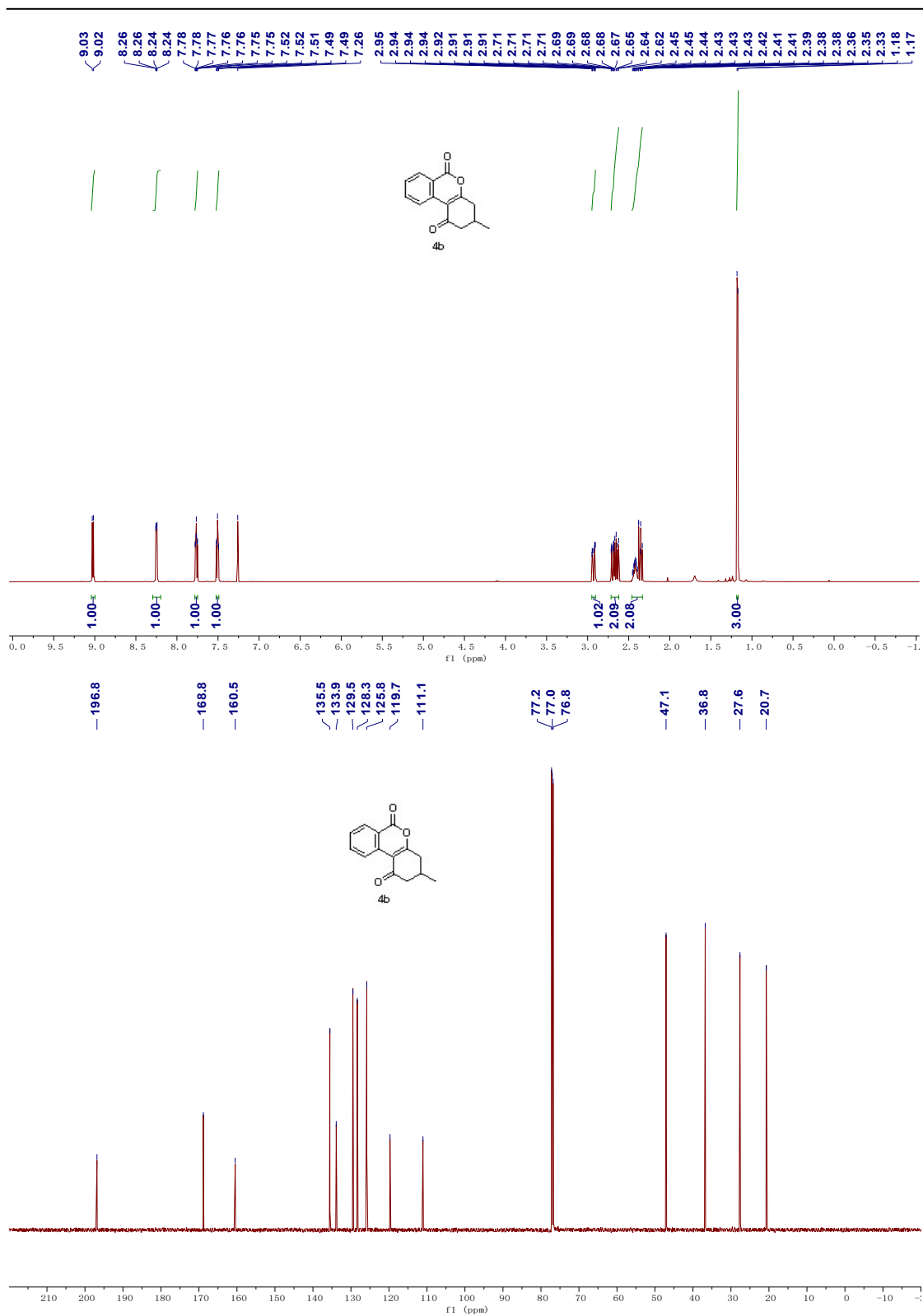


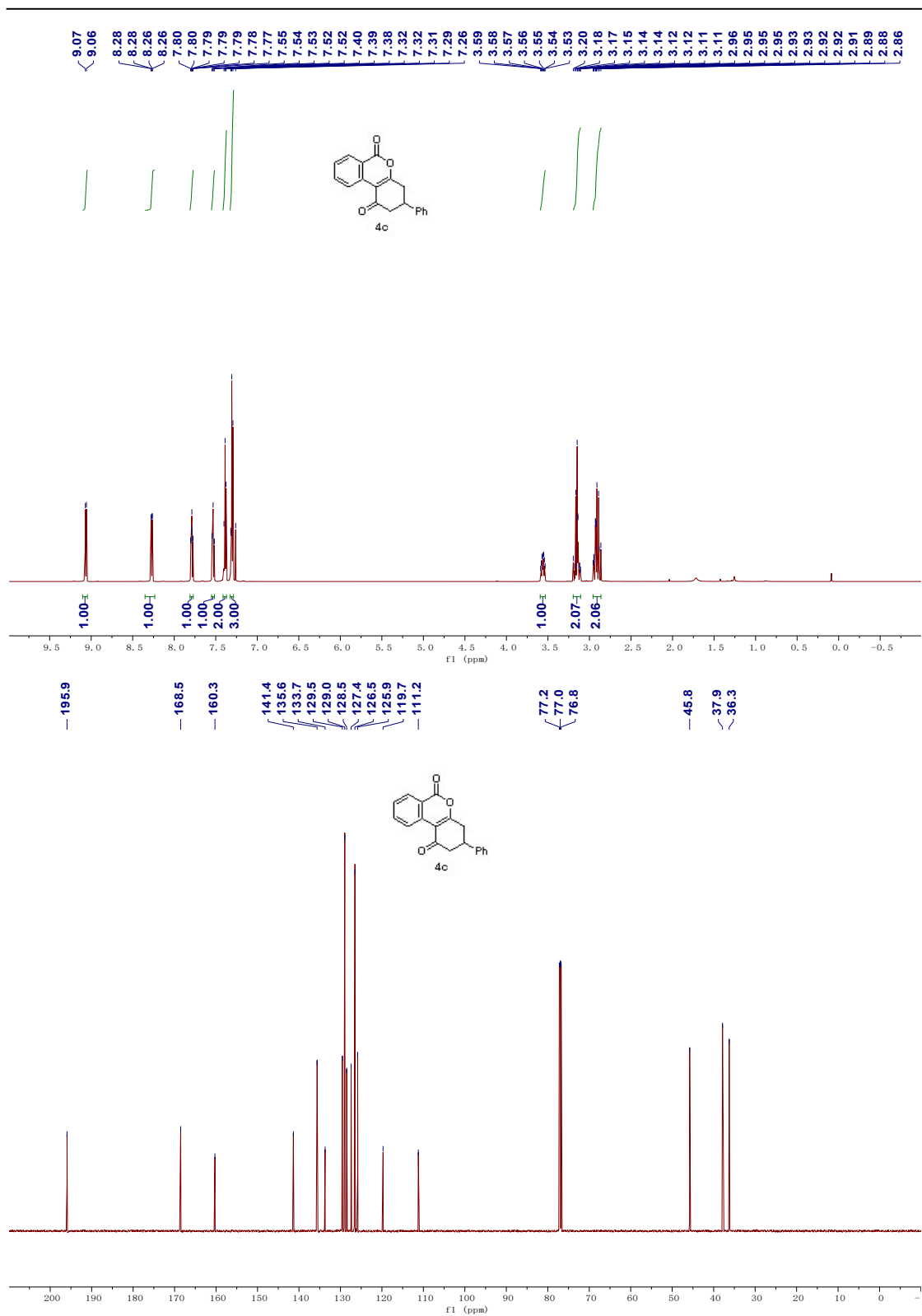


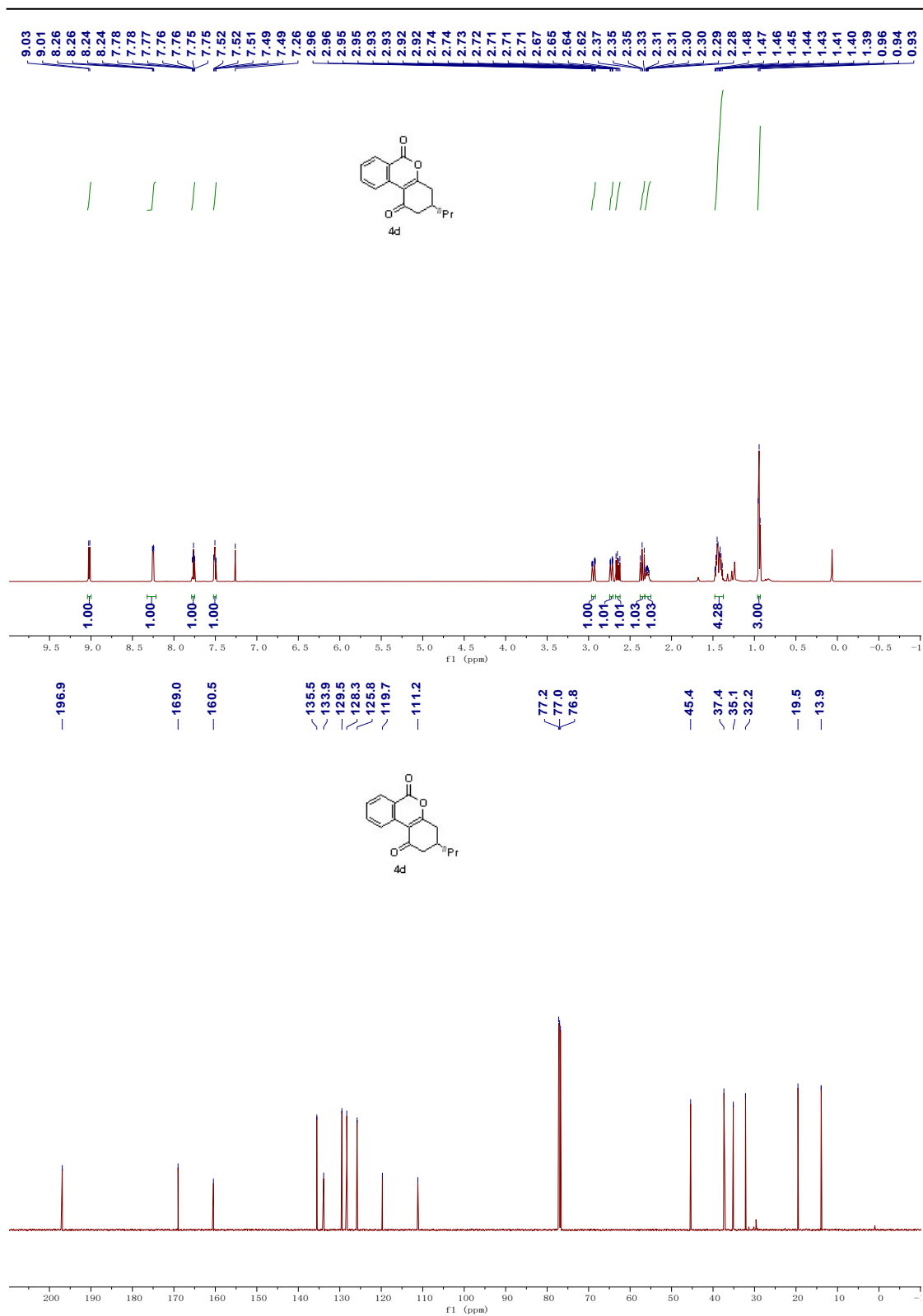


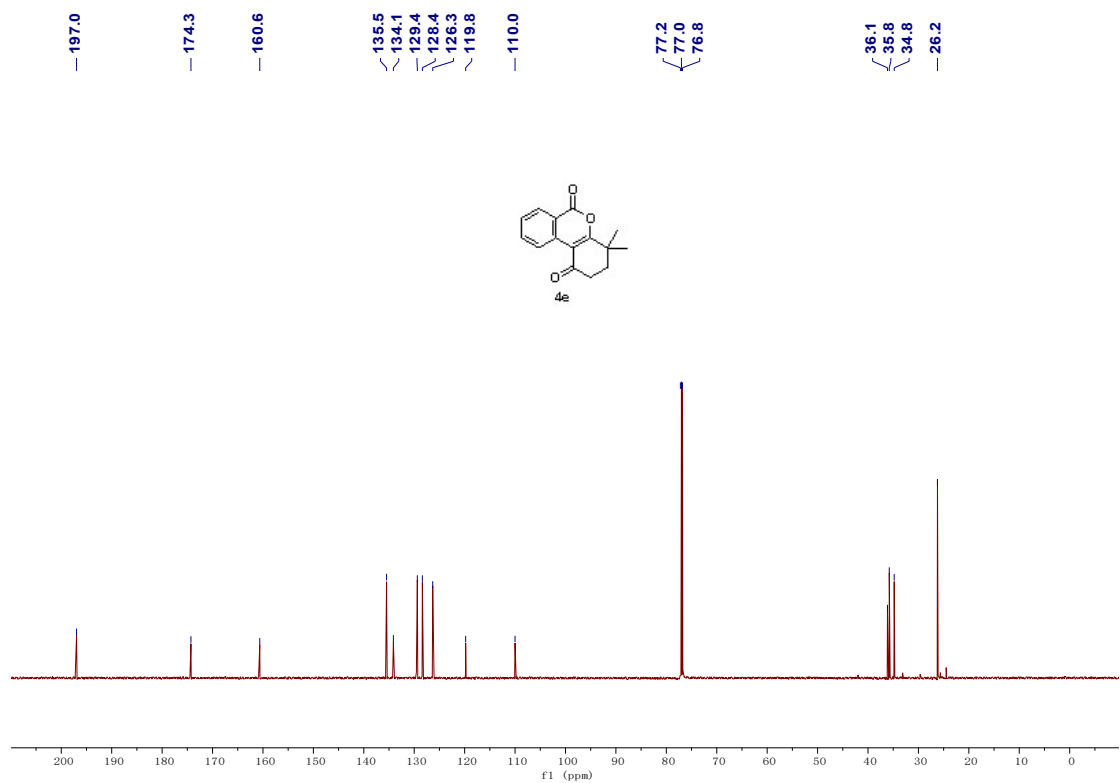
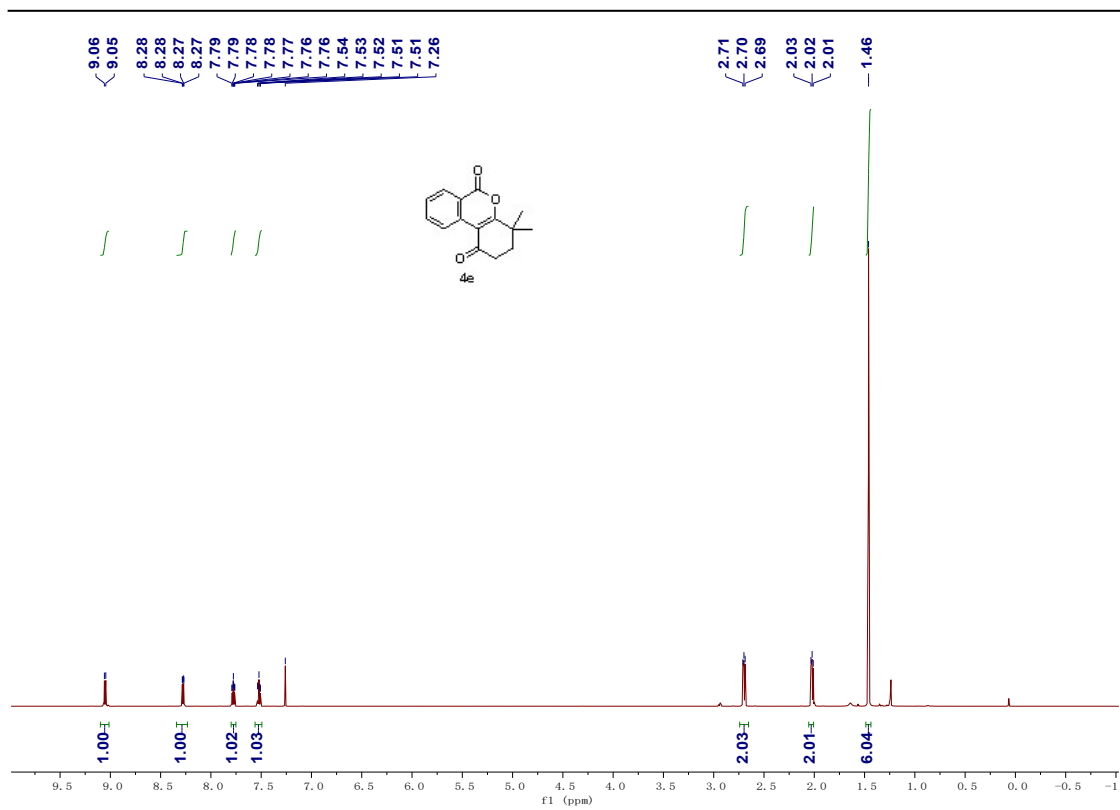


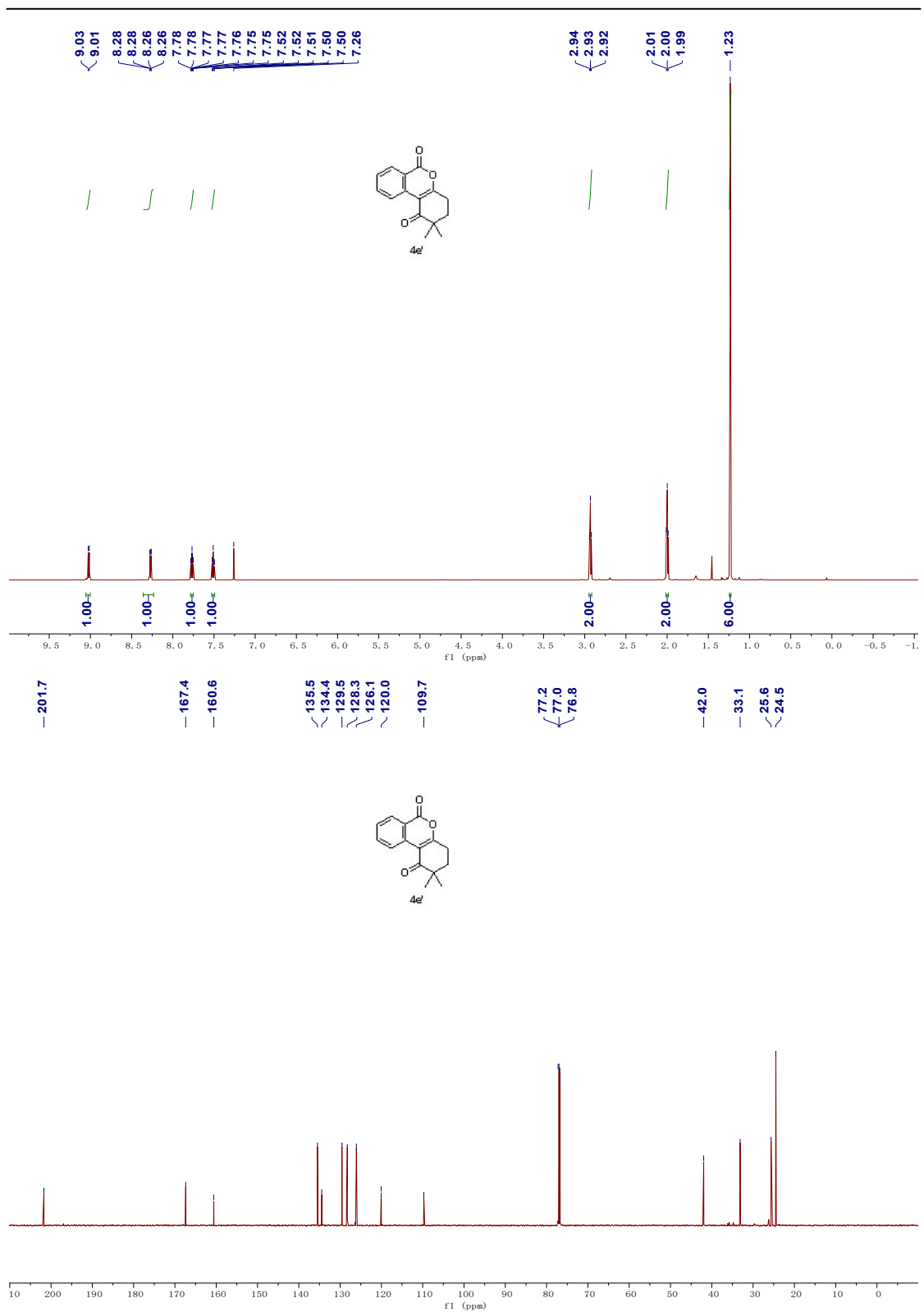


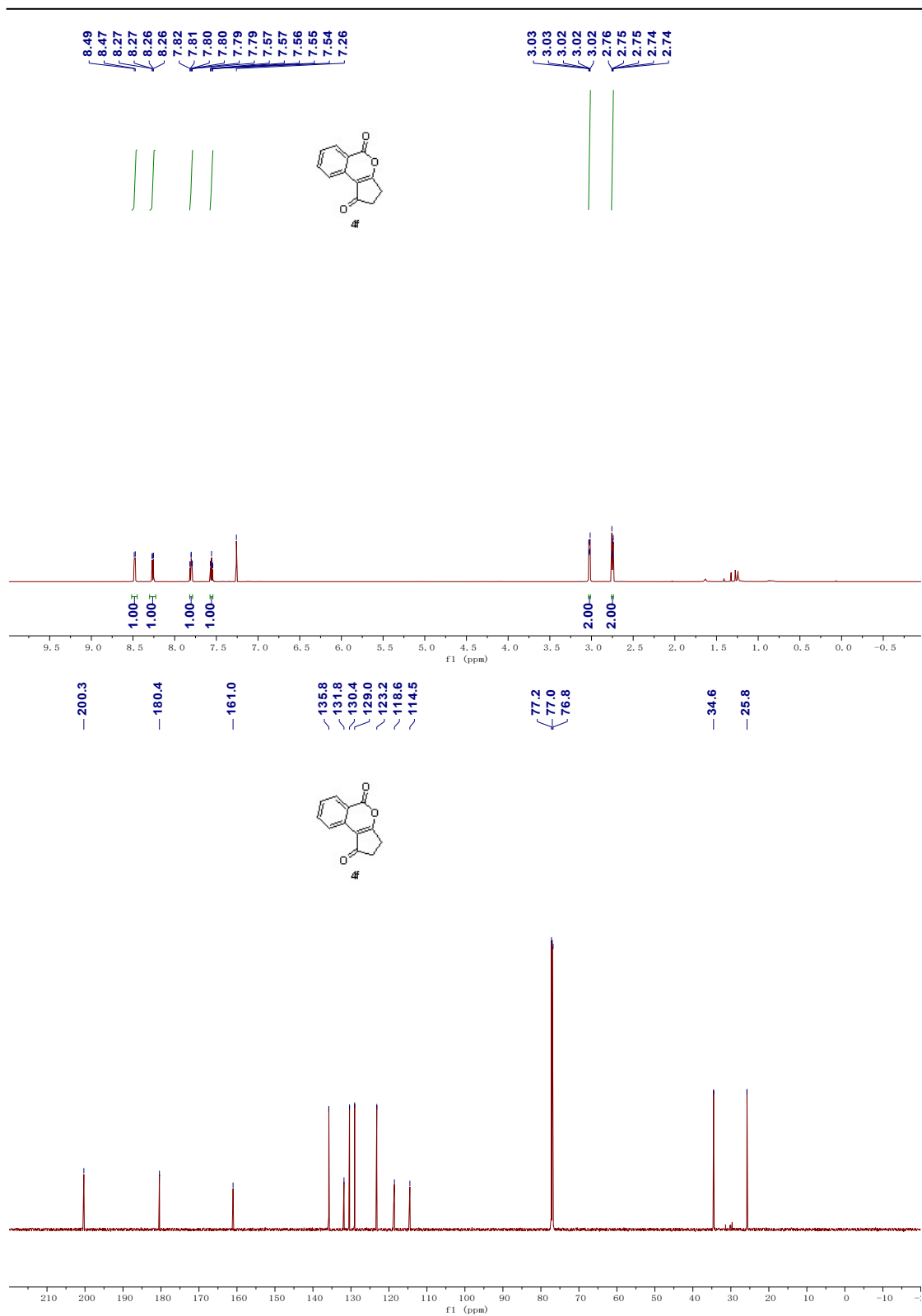


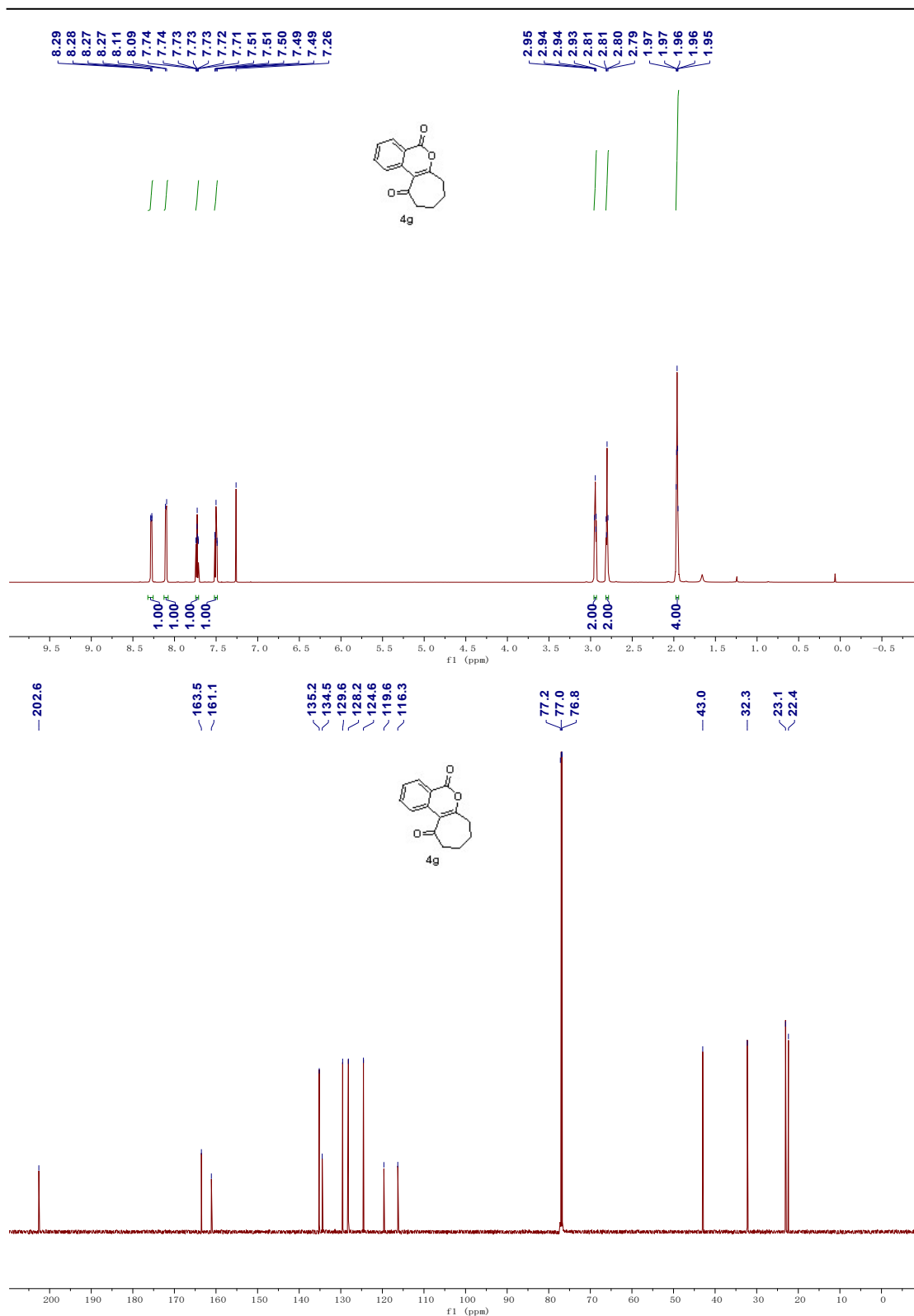


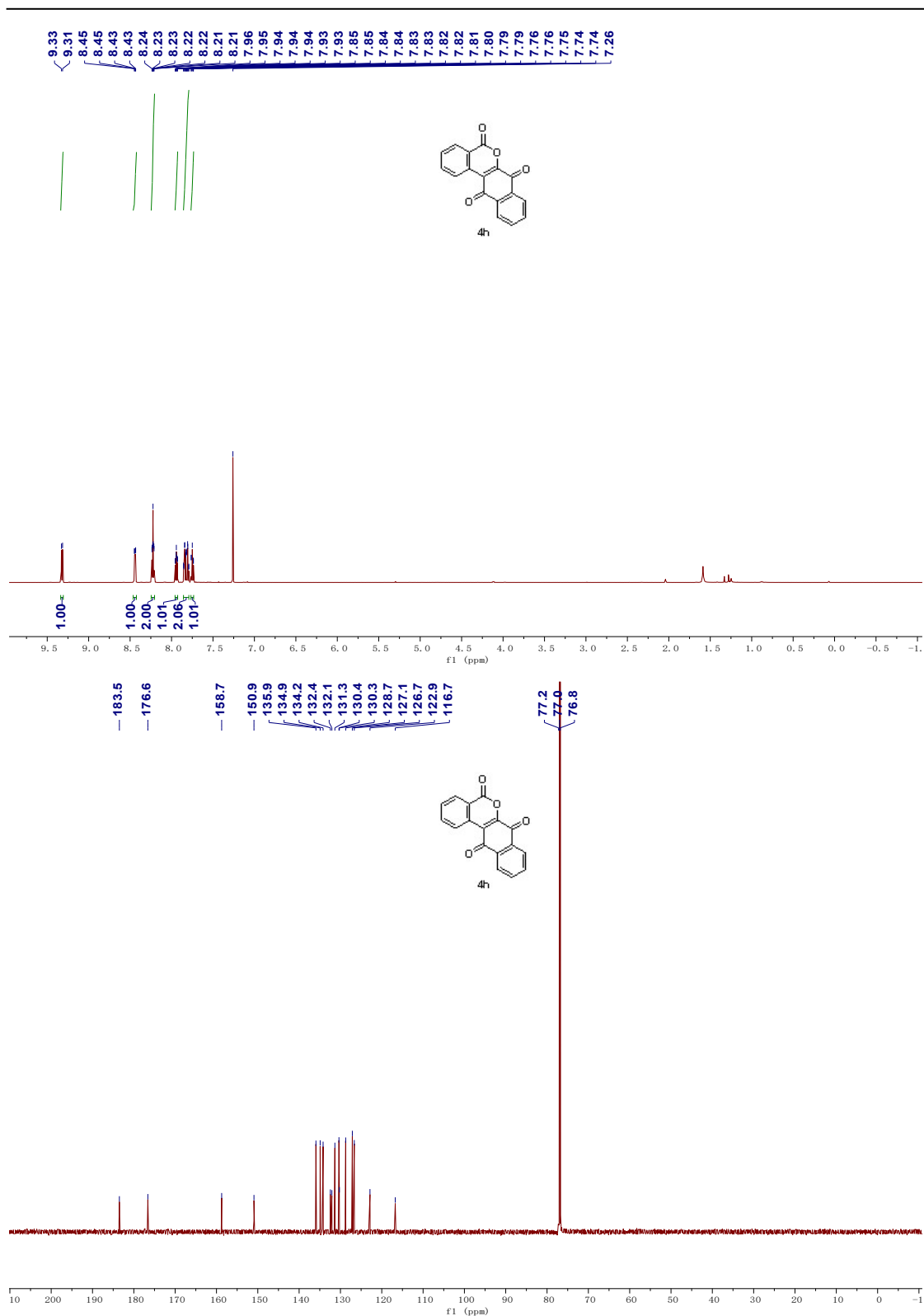


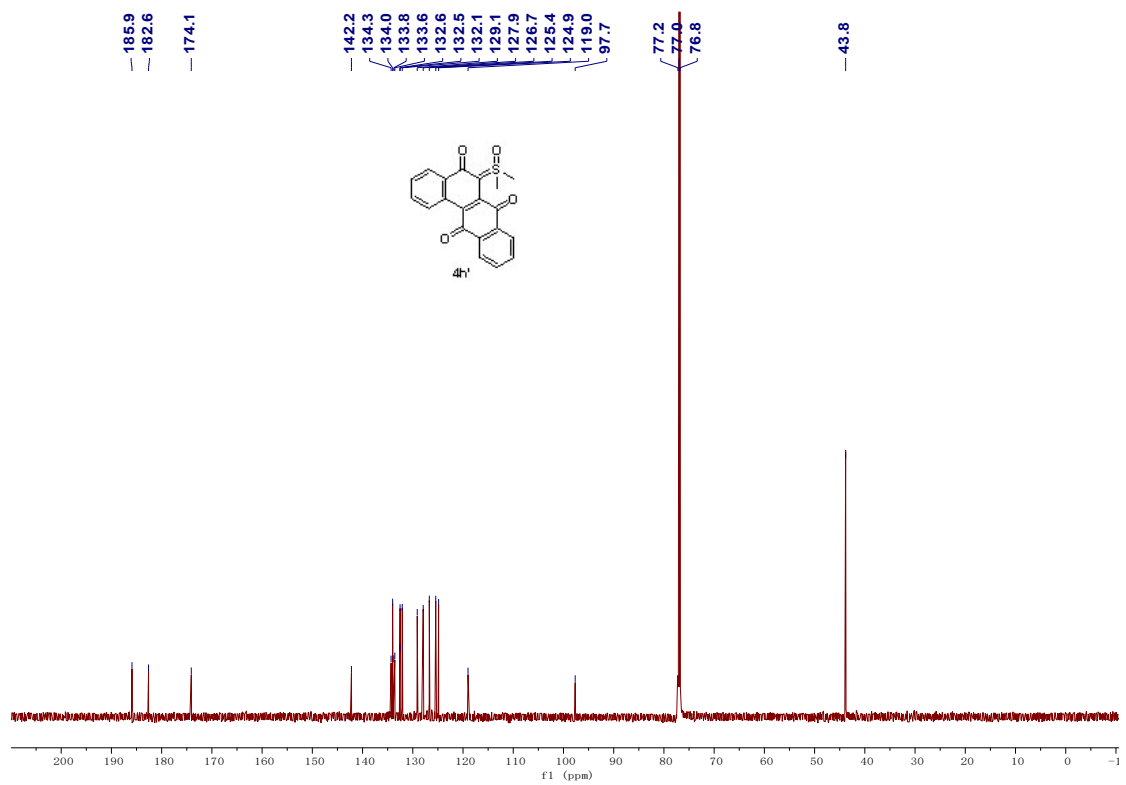
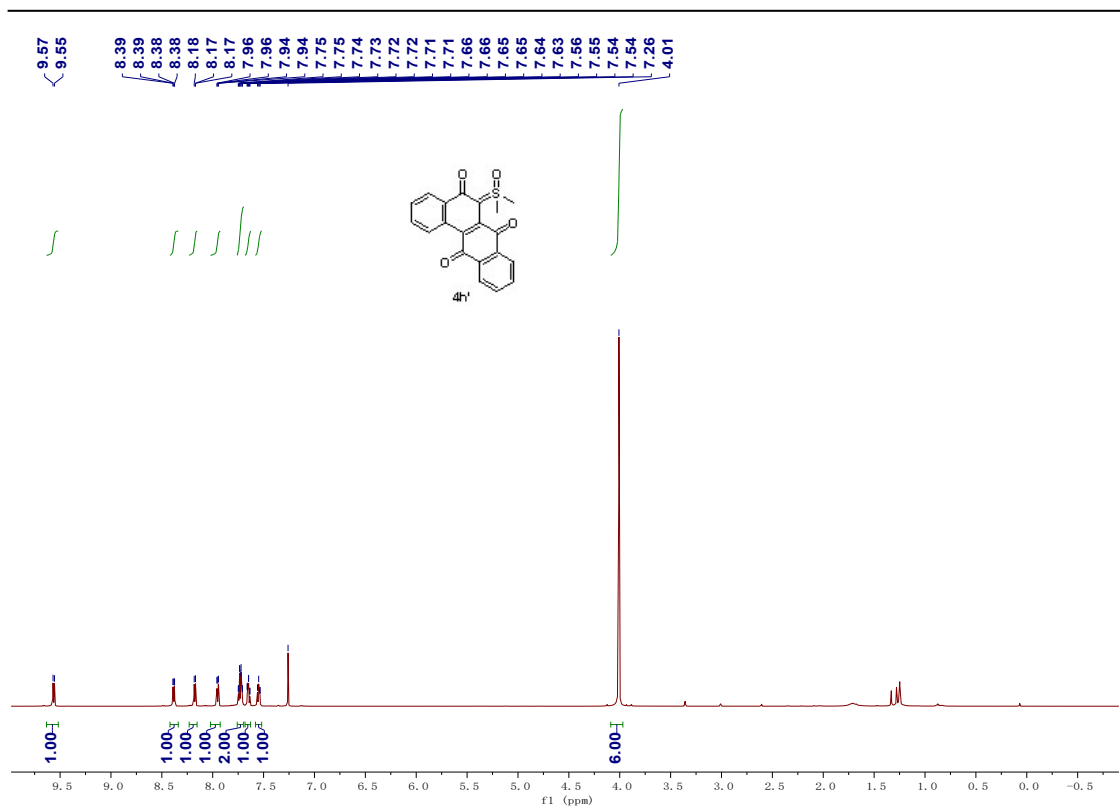


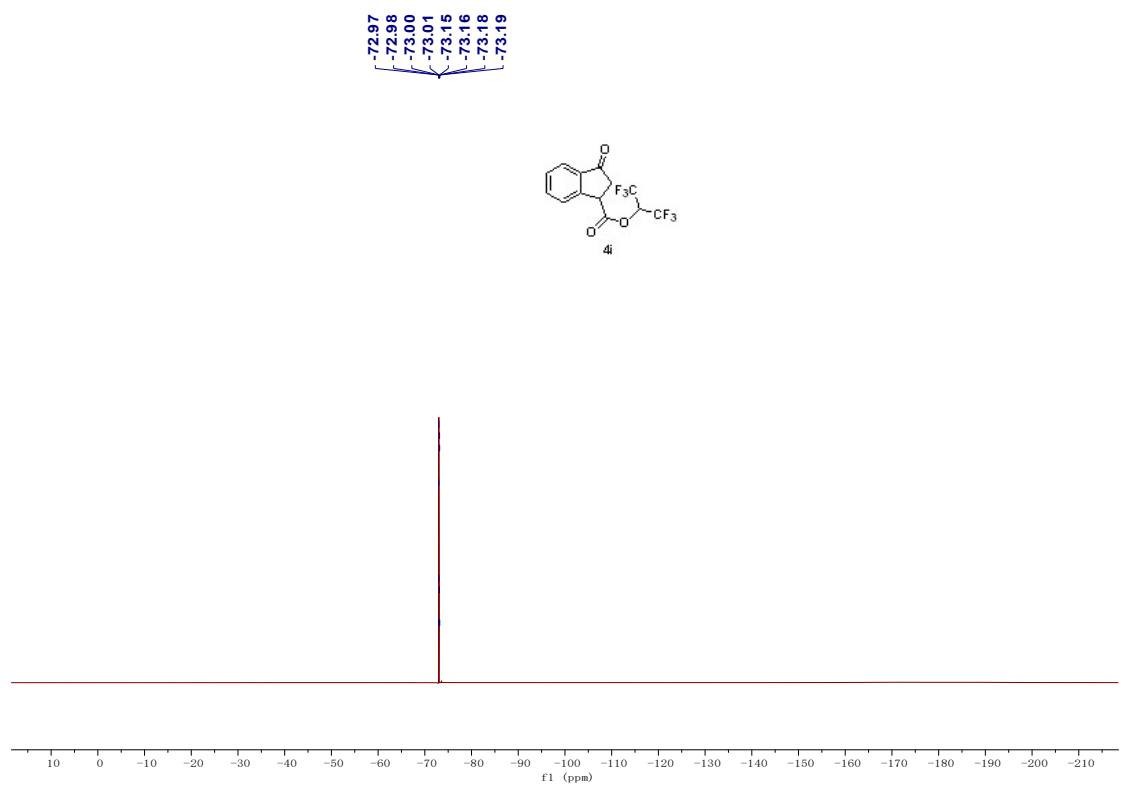
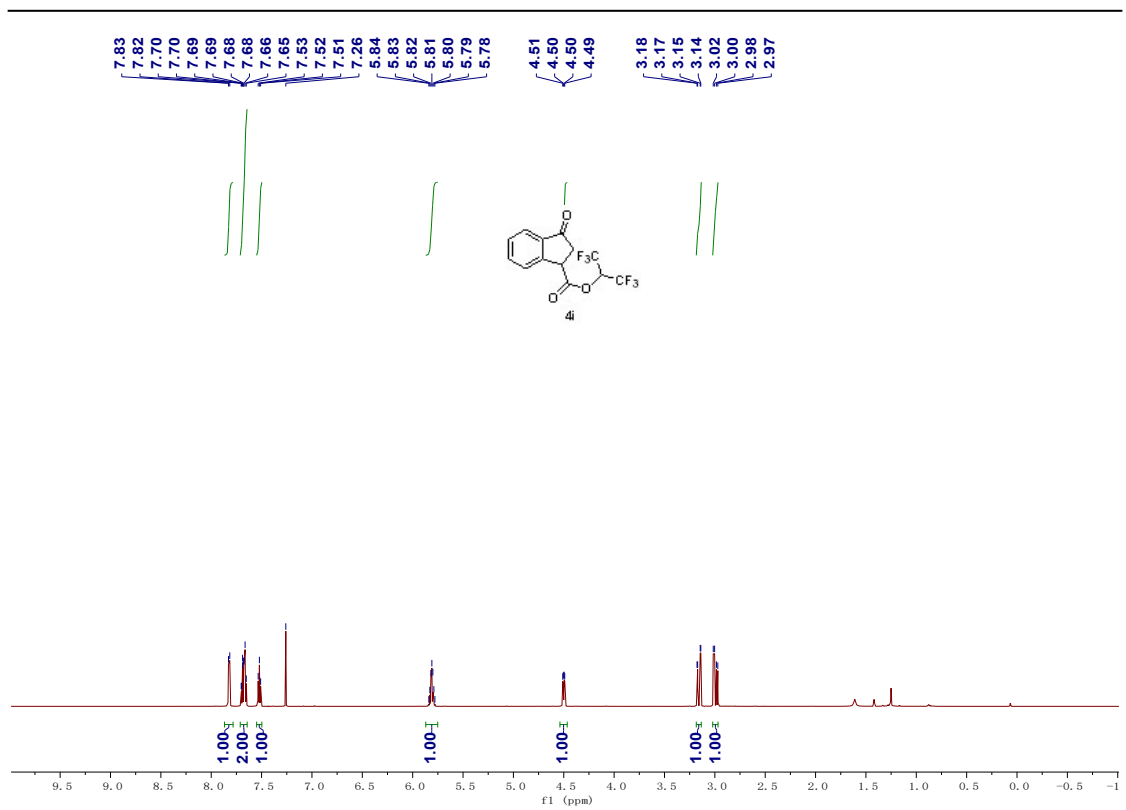


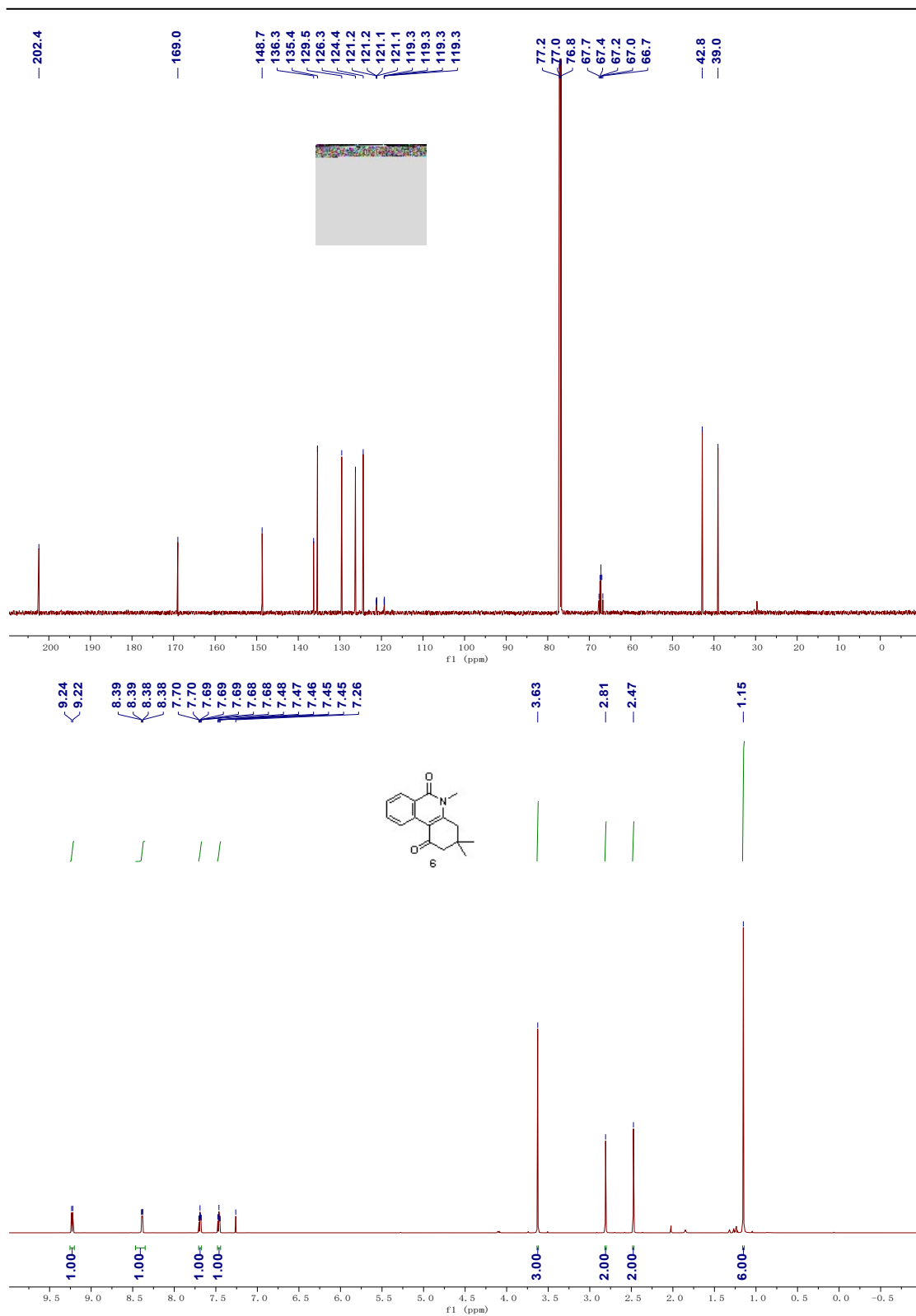


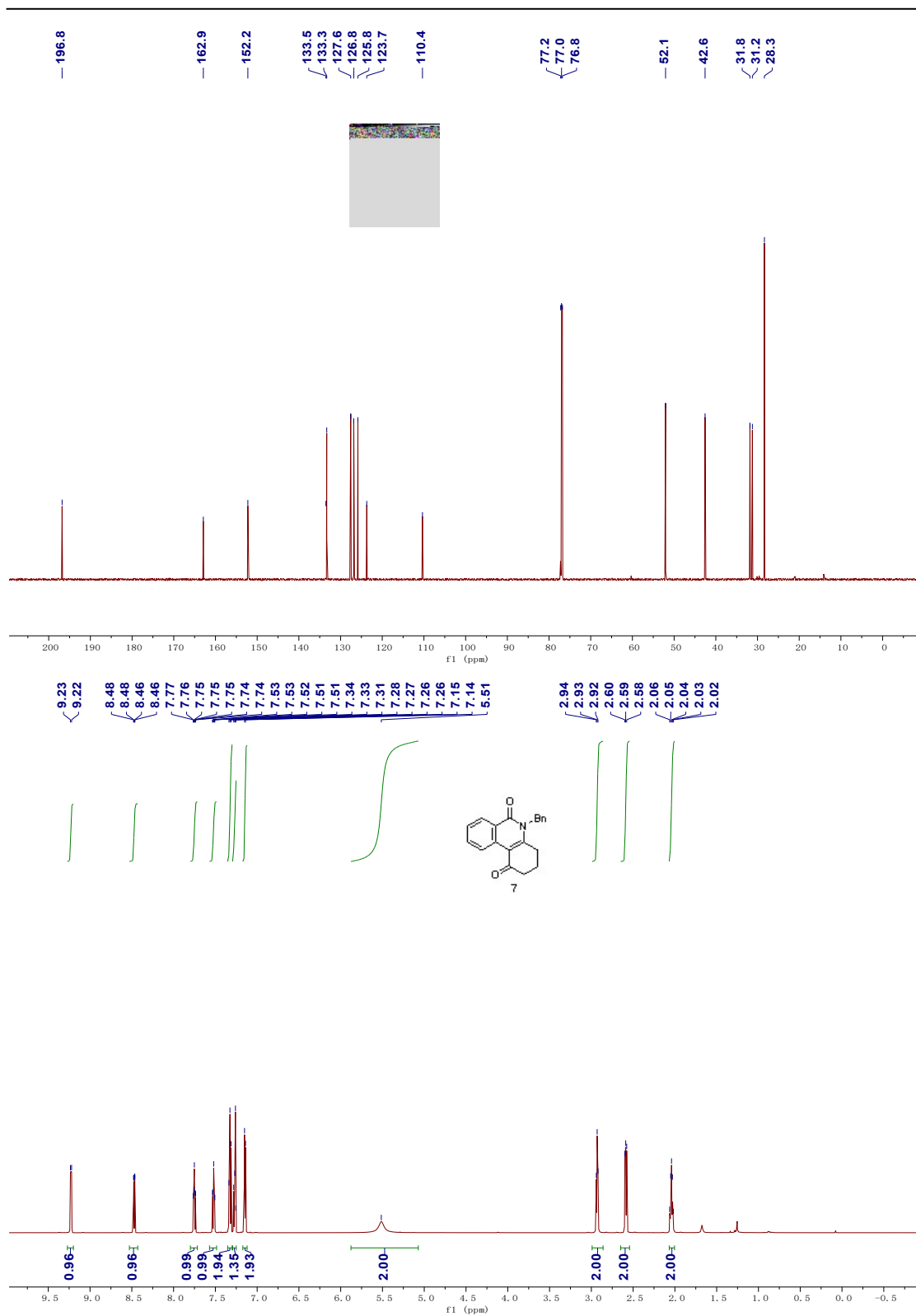


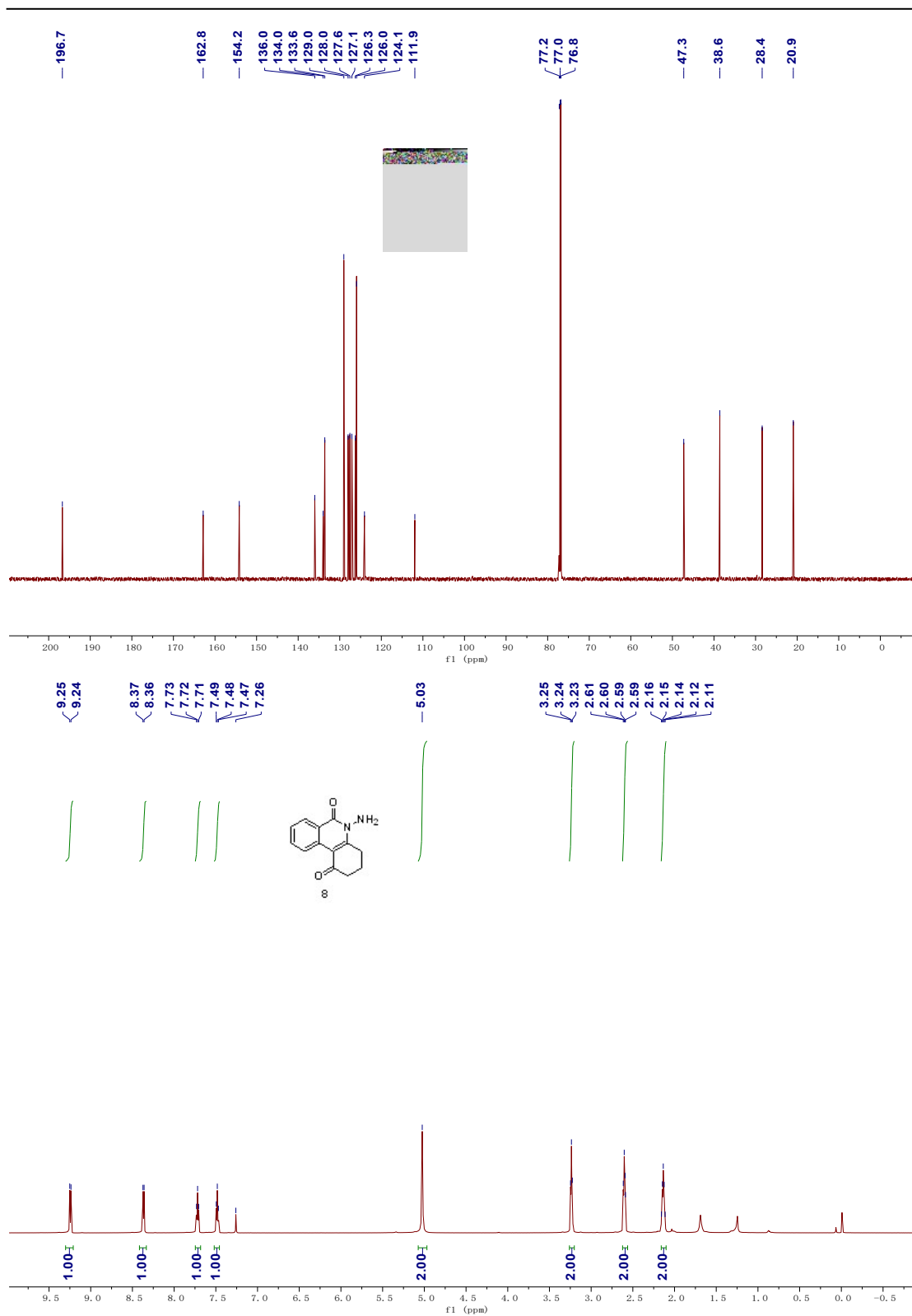


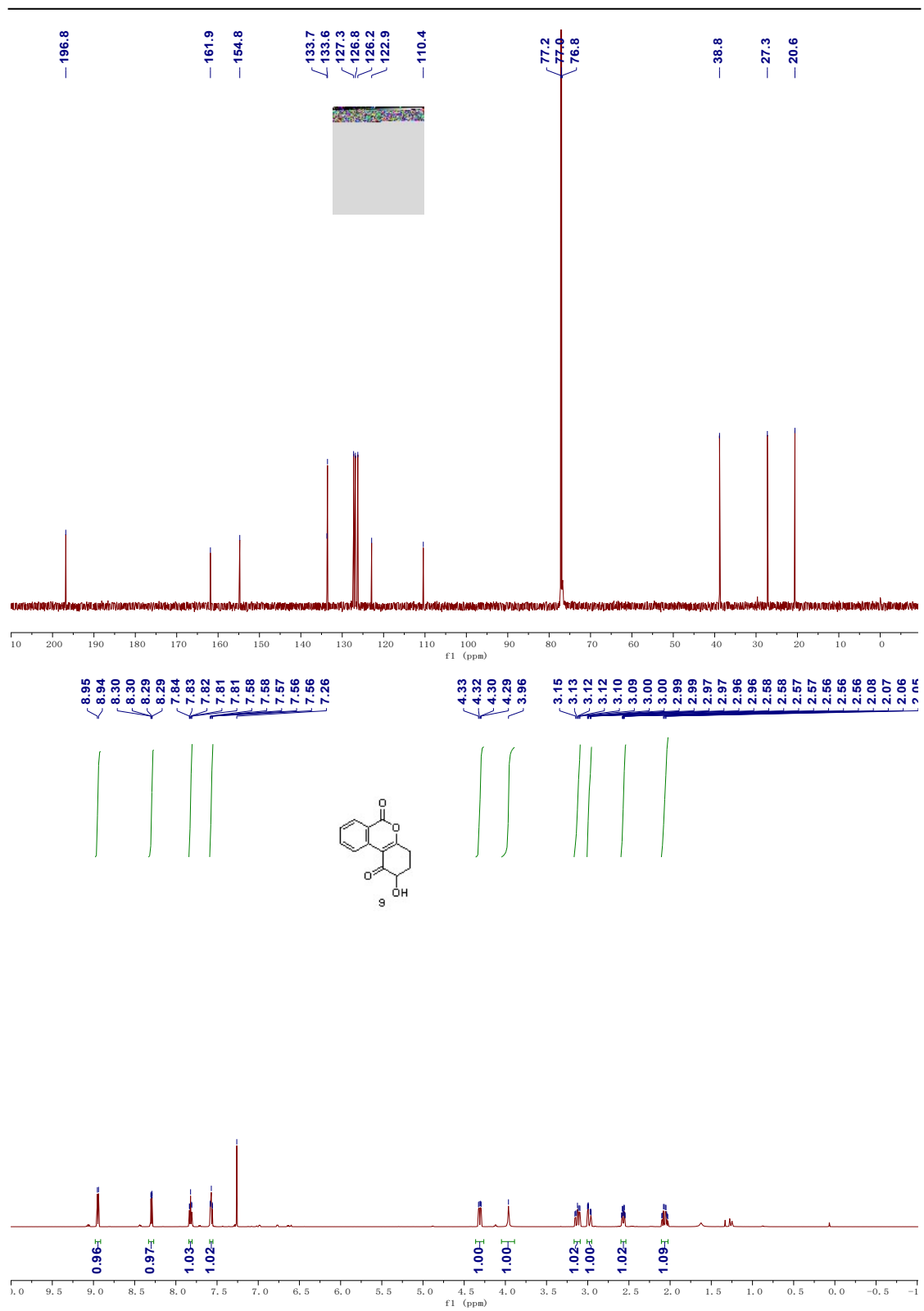


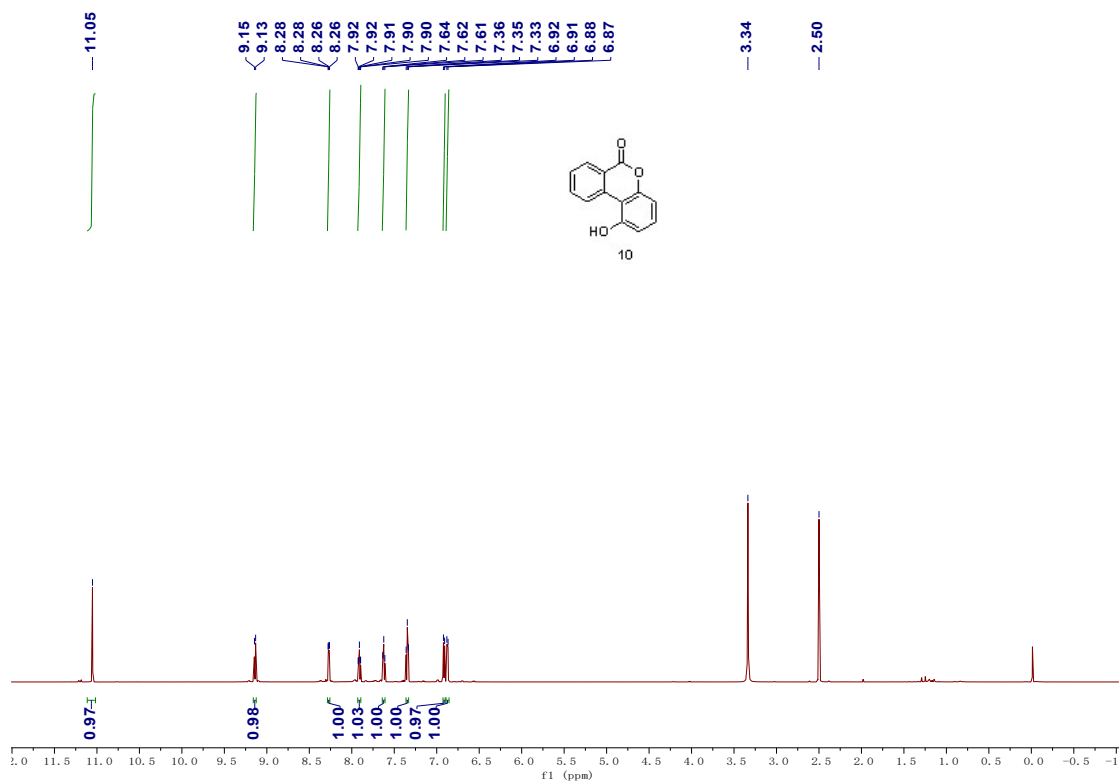
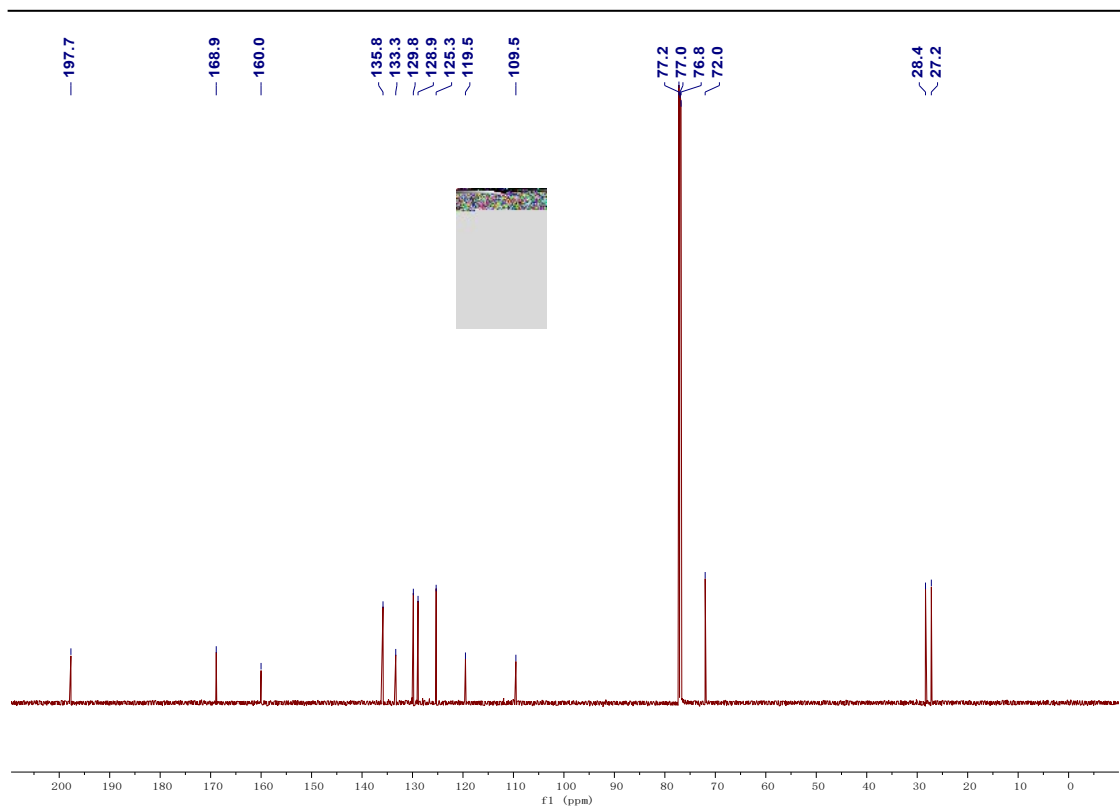


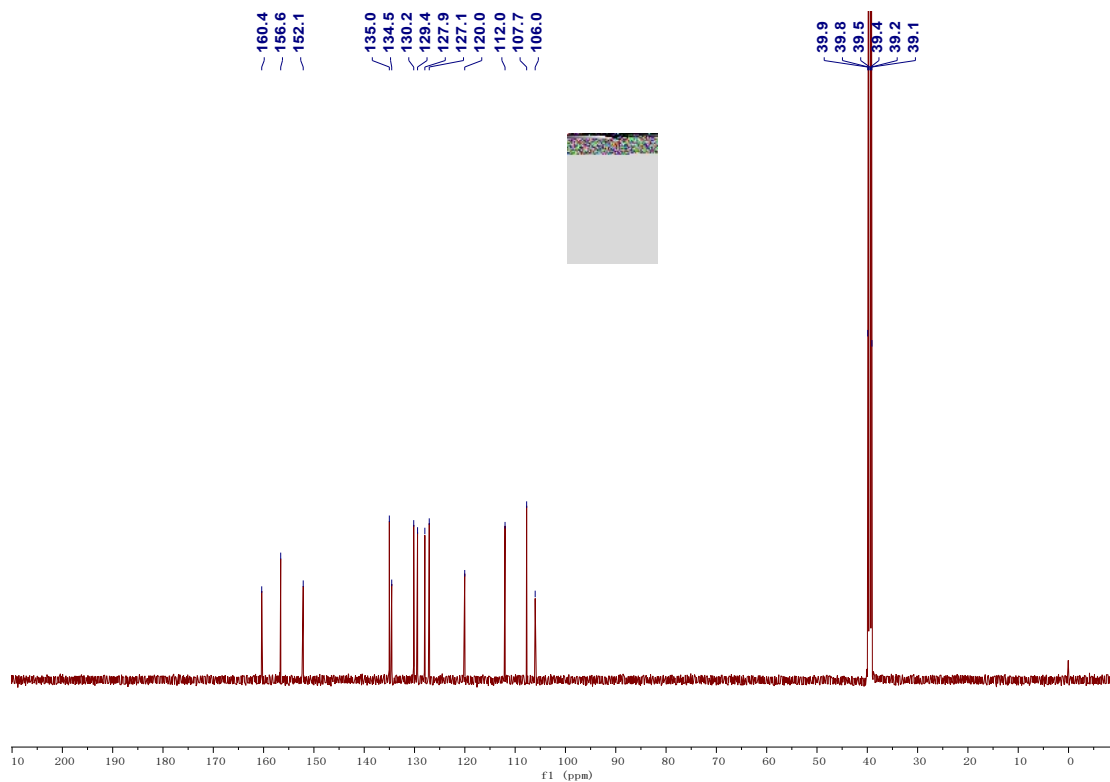












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