

## ELECTRONIC SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL

### Iron(III)-catalyzed tandem annulation of indolyl-substituted *p*-quinone methides with ynamides for the synthesis of cyclopenta[*b*]indoles

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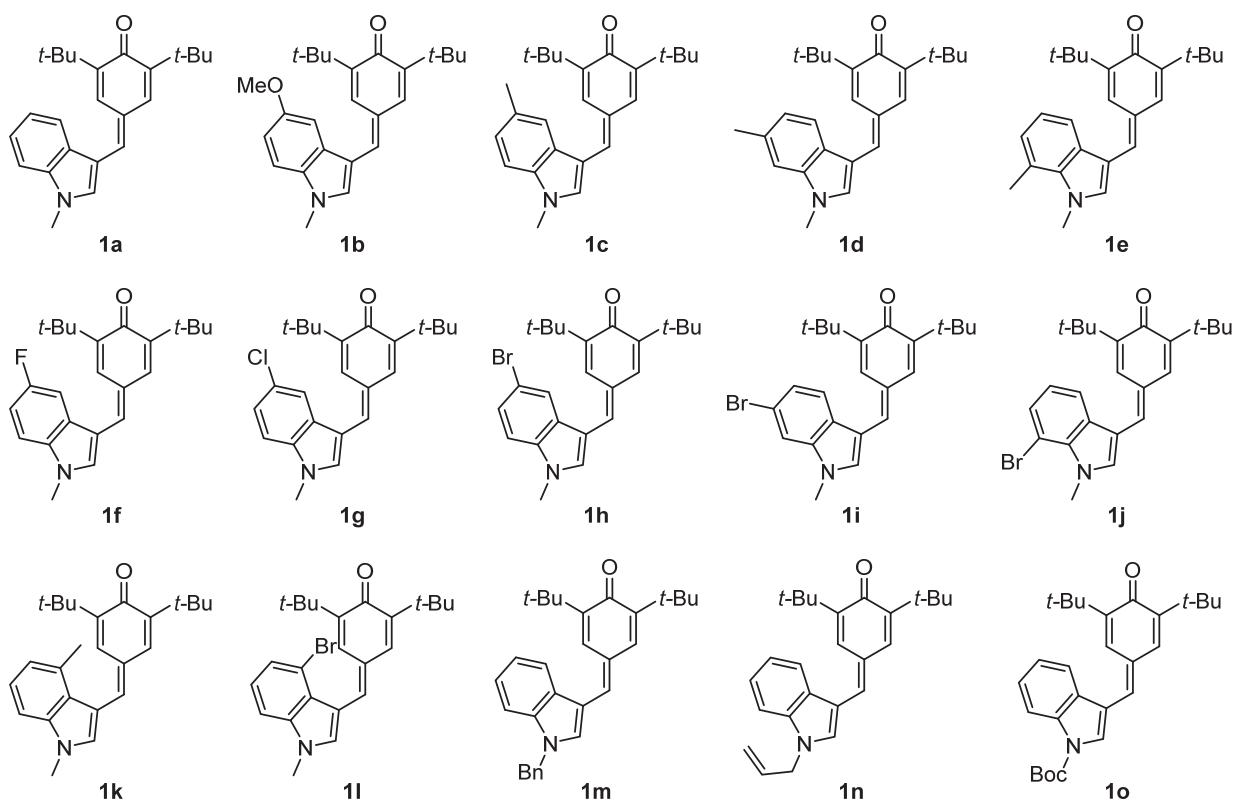
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## General

All moisture or oxygen-sensitive reactions were carried out under an argon atmosphere in oven flasks. The solvent used was purified by distillation over the drying agent indicated and was transferred under argon: THF (Na). All reactions were monitored by thin-layer chromatography (TLC) on silica gel F<sub>254</sub> plates using UV light as visualizing agent (if applicable). The products were purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (200–300 meshes) from the Anhui Liangchen Silicon Material Company in China.

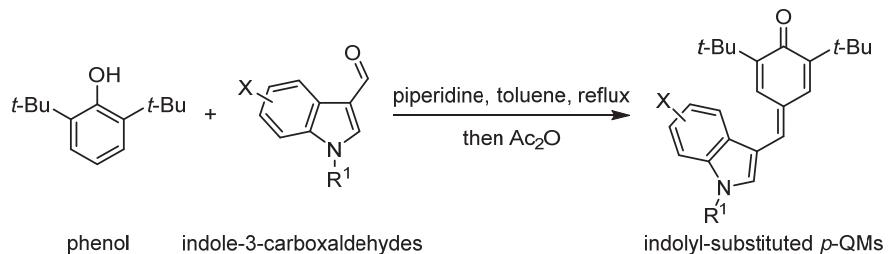
<sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were recorded in CDCl<sub>3</sub> or (CD<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>SO on Bruker AVANCE<sup>III</sup> 400 MHz, Bruker AVANCE<sup>III</sup> HD 400 MHz or Bruker AVANCE NEO 600 MHz instrument. Chemical shifts were denoted in ppm ( $\delta$ ) and calibrated by using residual undeuterated solvent (7.26 ppm for residual undeuterated CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 2.50 ppm for residual undeuterated (CD<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>SO or tetramethylsilane (0.00 ppm)) as internal reference for <sup>1</sup>H NMR and the deuterated solvent (CDCl<sub>3</sub> (77.00 ppm), (CD<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>SO (39.50 ppm) or tetramethylsilane (0.00 ppm)) as internal standard for <sup>13</sup>C NMR. The following abbreviations were used to explain the multiplicities: s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, dd = double doublet, br = broad, m = multiplet. The high-resolution mass spectral analysis (HRMS) data were measured on a Bruker ApexII mass spectrometer by means of the ESI technique. The IR spectra were recorded on a Nicolet Nexus 670 FT-IR spectrometer. The X-ray single-crystal determination was performed on an Agilent SuperNova or a Rigaku XtaLAB Synergy R single crystal diffractometer. The melting points were measured on a Kofler melting point apparatus without calibration (Beijing Tech Instrument Co., LTD).

## 1. Preparation of Indolyl-Substituted *p*-Quinone Methides



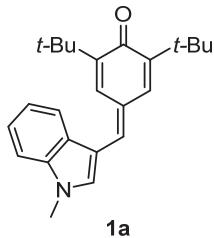
**Figure S1.** Indolyl-substituted *p*-quinone methides employed in tandem reaction

The indolyl-substituted *p*-quinone methides **1a–1o**<sup>1</sup> were prepared according to the reported methods. The General Procedure was as follows:



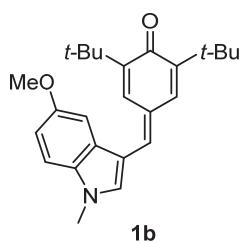
In a Dean-Stark apparatus, the solution of 2,6-di-*tert*-butylphenol (20 mmol) and indole-3-carboxaldehydes (20 mmol) in toluene was heated to reflux for 1 h. Piperidine (40 mmol) was added dropwise via the syringe within 2 h and then held to reflux for 12 h. After cooling just below the boiling point of the reaction mixture, acetic anhydride (40 mmol) was added and stirred for 0.5 h. Then the mixture was poured into ice-water and extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. The combined organic phases were dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. After filtration, the filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude products were purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel with the elution of petroleum ether/ethyl acetate to give the corresponding indolyl-substituted *p*-quinone methides **1a–1o**.

**2,6-Di-*tert*-butyl-4-((1-methyl-1*H*-indol-3-yl) methylene) cyclohexa-2,5-dien-1-one**



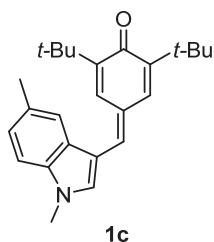
**1a:** **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ = 7.79 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.71 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.46 (s, 1H), 7.41–7.36 (m, 2H), 7.36–7.32 (m, 1H), 7.30–7.25 (m, 1H), 7.11 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 3.89 (s, 3H), 1.375 (s, 9H), 1.367 (s, 9H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (150 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ = 186.3, 148.0, 145.9, 137.0, 135.4, 134.8, 131.4, 128.1, 128.0, 127.9, 123.4, 121.3, 119.2, 112.9, 109.9, 35.4, 34.9, 33.6, 29.7, 29.6 ppm. **IR** (film):  $\bar{\nu}$  = 3444, 2953, 1620, 1548, 1513, 1485, 1358, 1292, 1246, 1117, 1041, 950 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

**2,6-Di-*tert*-butyl-4-((5-methoxy-1-methyl-1*H*-indol-3-yl) methylene) cyclohexa-2,5-dien-1-one**



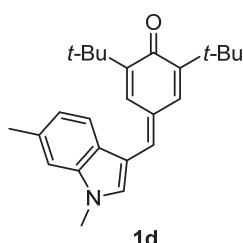
**1b:** **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ = 7.69 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (s, 1H), 7.33 (s, 1H), 7.24 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.21 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.12 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.98 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 3.90 (s, 3H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 1.374 (s, 9H), 1.368 (s, 9H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ = 186.3, 155.6, 147.9, 145.7, 135.4, 134.9, 132.2, 131.7, 128.8, 127.9, 127.4, 113.6, 112.5, 110.8, 100.8, 55.8, 35.4, 34.9, 33.7, 29.7, 29.6 ppm. **IR** (film):  $\bar{\nu}$  = 3444, 2920, 2093, 1643, 1513, 1358, 1292, 1245, 1117, 1043 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

**2,6-Di-*tert*-butyl-4-((1,5-dimethyl-1*H*-indol-3-yl) methylene) cyclohexa-2,5-dien-1-one**



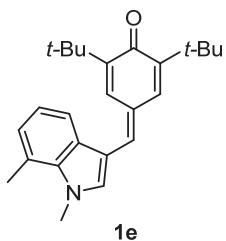
**1c:** **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ = 7.70 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.58 (s, 1H), 7.39 (s, 1H), 7.33 (s, 1H), 7.22 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.13 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.09 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 2.48 (s, 3H), 1.38 (s, 9H), 1.37 (s, 9H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ = 186.2, 147.6, 145.6, 135.48, 135.46, 135.2, 131.6, 130.8, 128.2, 128.1, 127.4, 124.9, 119.0, 112.5, 109.6, 35.3, 34.8, 33.5, 29.6, 29.5, 21.5 ppm. **IR** (film):  $\bar{\nu}$  = 3444, 2954, 2090, 1627, 1549, 1514, 1485, 1357, 1247, 1119 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

**2,6-Di-*tert*-butyl-4-((1,6-dimethyl-1*H*-indol-3-yl) methylene) cyclohexa-2,5-dien-1-one**



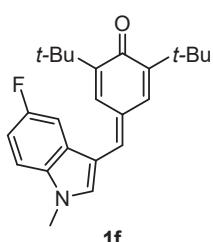
**1d:** **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ = 7.71 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.68 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (s, 1H), 7.36 (s, 1H), 7.16 (s, 1H), 7.14–7.07 (m, 2H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 2.52 (s, 3H), 1.37 (s, 9H), 1.36 (s, 9H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ = 186.3, 147.8, 145.8, 137.5, 135.5, 135.1, 133.4, 131.1, 128.0, 127.7, 125.9, 123.1, 118.9, 112.9, 109.9, 35.4, 34.9, 33.5, 29.7, 29.6, 21.8 ppm. **IR** (film):  $\bar{\nu}$  = 3441, 2954, 2079, 1625, 1548, 1515, 1466, 1357, 1305, 1248, 1116 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

**2,6-Di-*tert*-butyl-4-((1,7-dimethyl-1*H*-indol-3-yl) methylene) cyclohexa-2,5-dien-1-one**



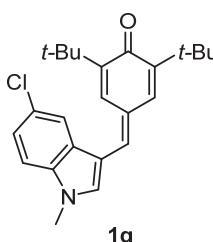
**1e:** <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ = 7.68 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.35 (s, 2H), 7.40–7.32 (m, 2H), 7.02 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 4.14 (s, 3H), 2.78 (s, 3H), 1.37 (s, 9H), 1.36 (s, 9H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ = 186.3, 147.9, 145.8, 135.7, 135.4, 134.7, 133.0, 129.3, 128.0, 127.9, 126.1, 121.9, 121.5, 117.1, 112.5, 37.7, 35.4, 34.9, 29.7, 29.6, 19.6 ppm. IR (film):  $\bar{\nu}$  = 3444, 2946, 2064, 1634, 1545, 1453, 1357, 1252, 1077, 953, 744 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

**2,6-Di-*tert*-butyl-4-((5-fluoro-1-methyl-1*H*-indol-3-yl) methylene) cyclohexa-2,5-dien-1-one**



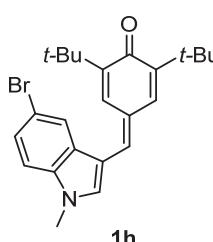
**1f:** <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ = 7.65 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (s, 1H), 7.42 (dd, *J* = 9.2, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.28 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.24 (s, 1H), 7.11–7.03 (m, 2H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 1.37 (s, 9H), 1.36 (s, 9H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ = 186.3, 158.9 (d, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>C-F</sub> = 236.6 Hz), 148.1, 146.0, 135.3, 134.0, 133.6, 132.6, 128.7 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>C-F</sub> = 9.6 Hz), 128.0, 127.8, 112.7 (d, <sup>4</sup>J<sub>C-F</sub> = 4.6 Hz), 111.7 (d, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>C-F</sub> = 26.2 Hz), 110.8 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>C-F</sub> = 9.7 Hz), 104.5 (d, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>C-F</sub> = 24.1 Hz), 35.4, 34.9, 33.8, 29.6, 29.5 ppm. IR (film):  $\bar{\nu}$  = 3444, 2090, 1633, 1553, 1482, 1288, 1111, 1021, 952 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

**2,6-Di-*tert*-butyl-4-((5-chloro-1-methyl-1*H*-indol-3-yl) methylene) cyclohexa-2,5-dien-1-one**



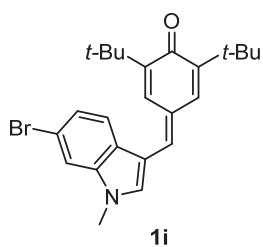
**1g:** <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ = 7.76–7.73 (m, 1H), 7.64 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (s, 1H), 7.29–7.25 (m, 2H), 7.23 (s, 1H), 7.07 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 1.37 (s, 9H), 1.36 (s, 9H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ = 186.3, 148.2, 146.2, 135.4, 135.3, 133.6, 132.2, 129.0, 128.4, 127.8, 127.3, 123.6, 118.9, 112.4, 111.0, 35.4, 34.9, 33.7, 29.6, 29.5 ppm. IR (film):  $\bar{\nu}$  = 3444, 2954, 2082, 1626, 1551, 1515, 1470, 1358, 1285, 1246, 1125, 728 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

**4-((5-Bromo-1-methyl-1*H*-indol-3-yl) methylene)-2,6-di-*tert*-butylcyclohexa-2,5-dien-1-one**



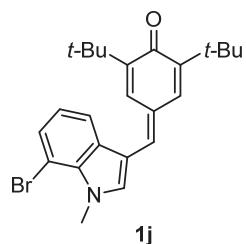
**1h:** <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ = 7.89 (d, *J* = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (s, 1H), 7.37 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 7.07 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 1.37 (s, 9H), 1.36 (s, 9H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ = 186.3, 148.2, 146.1, 135.7, 135.2, 133.6, 132.1, 129.5, 128.4, 127.8, 126.1, 122.0, 114.7, 112.3, 111.4, 35.4, 34.9, 33.7, 29.6, 29.5 ppm. IR (film):  $\bar{\nu}$  = 3362, 2954, 1602, 1550, 1516, 1469, 1355, 1284, 1253, 1125, 946, 855, 817, 620 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

**4-((6-Bromo-1-methyl-1*H*-indol-3-yl) methylene)-2,6-di-*tert*-butylcyclohexa-2,5-dien-1-one**



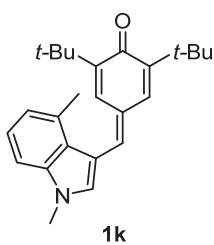
**1i:** **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ = 7.66–7.60 (m, 2H), 7.52 (d, *J* = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (s, 1H), 7.35 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.27 (s, 1H), 7.08 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 1.362 (s, 9H), 1.356 (s, 9H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ = 186.4, 148.3, 146.2, 137.8, 135.3, 133.7, 131.6, 128.6, 127.7, 126.8, 124.4, 120.5, 116.9, 113.0, 112.9, 35.4, 34.9, 33.6, 29.6, 29.5 ppm. **IR** (film):  $\bar{\nu}$  = 3396, 2955, 1611, 1550, 1515, 1468, 1359, 1297, 1243, 1129, 1057, 1030, 844, 801, 739 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

**4-((7-Bromo-1-methyl-1*H*-indol-3-yl) methylene)-2,6-di-*tert*-butylcyclohexa-2,5-dien-1-one**



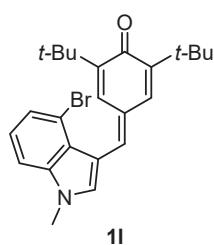
**1j:** **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ = 7.69 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (s, 1H), 7.28 (s, 1H), 7.09 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.06 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.25 (s, 3H), 1.362 (s, 9H), 1.356 (s, 9H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ = 186.4, 148.4, 146.3, 135.2, 133.8, 133.5, 133.3, 131.1, 128.8, 128.3, 127.8, 122.2, 118.4, 112.3, 104.5, 37.8, 35.4, 34.9, 29.6, 29.5 ppm. **IR** (film):  $\bar{\nu}$  = 3426, 2948, 1550, 1521, 1451, 1301, 1128, 1076, 1019, 946, 799, 776, 733 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

**2,6-Di-*tert*-butyl-4-((1,4-dimethyl-1*H*-indol-3-yl) methylene) cyclohexa-2,5-dien-1-one**



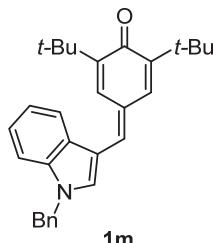
**1k:** **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ = 7.69 (s, 1H), 7.67–7.63 (m, 1H), 7.31 (s, 1H), 7.24–7.18 (m, 2H), 7.12–7.06 (m, 1H), 7.04–6.97 (m, 1H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 2.78 (s, 3H), 1.37 (s, 9H), 1.36 (s, 9H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ = 186.6, 148.1, 145.9, 138.1, 137.6, 135.1, 132.2, 131.7, 128.3, 128.1, 126.4, 123.3, 123.1, 114.0, 107.9, 35.3, 34.9, 33.6, 29.7, 29.6, 21.2 ppm. **IR** (film):  $\bar{\nu}$  = 3440, 2954, 1634, 1545, 1517, 1460, 1355, 1300, 1252, 1072, 909, 744 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

**4-((4-Bromo-1-methyl-1*H*-indol-3-yl) methylene)-2,6-di-*tert*-butylcyclohexa-2,5-dien-1-one**

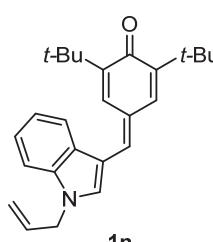


**1l:** **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ = 8.14 (s, 1H), 7.60 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.32 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.18–7.10 (m, 2H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 1.36 (s, 9H), 1.35 (s, 9H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ = 186.7, 148.3, 146.1, 138.4, 136.4, 135.3, 132.9, 128.3, 127.9, 125.8, 125.6, 123.9, 114.8, 113.3, 109.3, 35.3, 34.9, 33.7, 29.6, 29.5 ppm. **IR** (film):  $\bar{\nu}$  = 3404, 2954, 1603, 1546, 1518, 1449, 1358, 1296, 1131, 1019, 946, 735 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

**4-((1-Benzyl-1*H*-indol-3-yl) methylene)-2,6-di-*tert*-butylcyclohexa-2,5-dien-1-one**

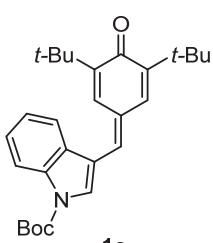


**4-((1-Allyl-1*H*-indol-3-yl) methylene)-2,6-di-*tert*-butylcyclohexa-2,5-dien-1-one**



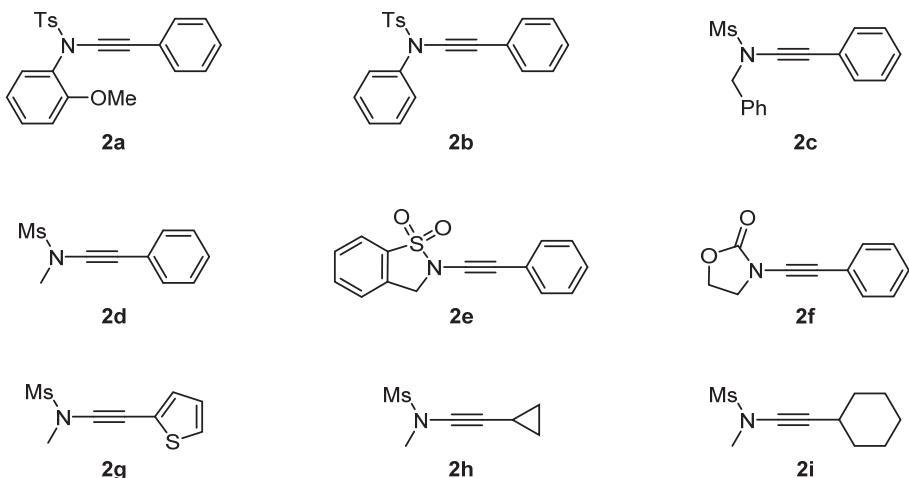
**1n:**  $^1\text{H NMR}$  (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta = 7.80$  (d,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.70 (d,  $J = 2.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.52 (s, 1H), 7.41–7.36 (m, 2H), 7.35–7.30 (m, 1H), 7.30–7.24 (m, 1H), 7.11 (d,  $J = 2.4$  Hz, 1H), 6.11–5.99 (m, 1H), 5.32 (d,  $J = 10.4$  Hz, 1H), 5.22 (d,  $J = 17.2$  Hz, 1H), 4.80 (d,  $J = 5.6$  Hz, 2H), 1.364 (s, 9H), 1.361 (s, 9H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C NMR}$  (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta = 186.4, 148.0, 146.0, 136.5, 135.3, 134.6, 132.2, 130.4, 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 123.4, 121.4, 119.3, 118.7, 113.2, 110.2, 49.3, 35.4, 34.9, 29.60, 29.56$  ppm. **IR** (film):  $\bar{\nu} = 3444, 2956, 2079, 1634, 1551, 1516, 1472, 1354, 1246, 1121$   $\text{cm}^{-1}$ .

***tert*-Butyl 3-((3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-oxocyclohexa-2,5-dien-1-ylidene)methyl)-1*H*-indole-1-carboxylate**



**1o:**  $^1\text{H NMR}$  (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta = 8.22$  (d,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.93 (s, 1H), 7.73–7.68 (m, 2H), 7.41 (t,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.34 (t,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.23 (s, 1H), 7.10 (d,  $J = 1.8$  Hz, 1H), 1.70 (s, 9H), 1.358 (s, 9H), 1.355 (s, 9H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C NMR}$  (150 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta = 186.7, 149.0, 148.9, 147.2, 135.3, 134.7, 131.8$  (2C), 129.6, 127.7, 127.1, 125.5, 123.5, 119.0, 116.9, 115.4, 84.7, 35.5, 35.0, 29.5 (2C), 28.1 ppm. **IR** (film):  $\bar{\nu} = 3443, 2958, 2074, 1633, 1447, 1376, 1173, 1137, 1095, 1021$   $\text{cm}^{-1}$ .

## 2. Preparation of Ynamides

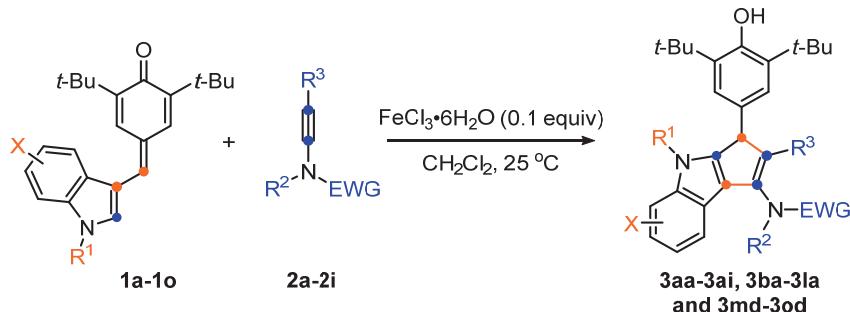


**Figure S2.** Ynamides employed in tandem reaction

The ynamides **2a–2c**<sup>2a</sup>, **2d**<sup>2b</sup>, **2e**<sup>2c</sup>, **2f**<sup>2d</sup>, **2g–2h**<sup>2e</sup>, and **2i**<sup>2f</sup> were prepared according to the reported methods.

### 3. Tandem (2+2) Annulation/*retro*-4π Electrocyclization/Imino-Nazarov Cyclization Reaction of Indolyl-Substituted *p*-QMs with Ynamides

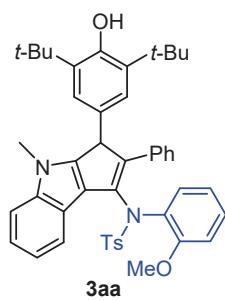
#### 3.1. General Procedure for Tandem Annulation



To a solution of indolyl-substituted *p*-quinone methides **1a–1o** (0.1 mmol) and ynamides **2a–2i** (0.11 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1.0 mL) was added FeCl<sub>3</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O (0.01 mmol). The resulting mixture was stirred at 25 °C for the indicated time. The solvent was concentrated under reduced pressure, and then the resulting residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel with the elution of petroleum ether/dichloromethane to give the corresponding products **3aa–3ai**, **3ba–3la** and **3md–3od**.

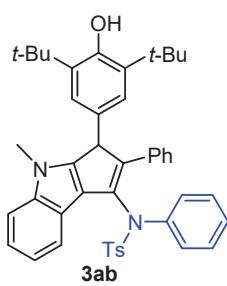
#### 3.2. Spectroscopic Data for Aminocyclopenta[*b*]indoles 3

##### *N*-(3-(3,5-Di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-4-methyl-2-phenyl-3,4-dihydrocyclopenta[*b*]indol-1-yl)-*N*-(2-methoxyphenyl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide



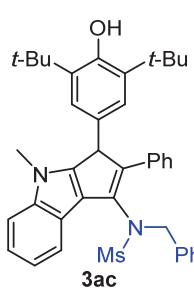
**<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ = 7.92 (br, 1H), 7.67 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.29 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.22–7.12 (m, 4H), 7.10 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.03 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.93 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 6.85–6.57 (m, 6H), 6.52 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 4.97 (s, 1H), 4.60 (s, 1H), 3.53 (s, 3H), 3.39 (s, 3H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 1.24 (s, 18H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (150 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ = 156.0, 152.6, 149.7, 142.7, 142.0, 140.8, 138.6, 135.8, 135.7, 135.1, 130.2 (2C), 129.5, 128.8, 128.6, 128.1, 127.1, 126.4, 125.8, 124.7, 122.0, 121.7, 120.9, 120.4, 119.8, 119.5, 111.6, 109.1, 54.8, 51.5, 34.1, 30.7, 30.2, 21.5 ppm. **IR** (film):  $\bar{\nu}$  = 3361, 2921, 1598, 1462, 1433, 1349, 1265, 1161, 1090, 1029, 738, 588 cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS** (ESI): *m/z* calcd for C<sub>46</sub>H<sub>49</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>S [M + H]<sup>+</sup>: 725.3408; found: 725.3401.

***N*-(3-(3,5-Di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-4-methyl-2-phenyl-3,4-dihydrocyclopenta[*b*]indol-1-yl)-4-methyl-*N*-phenylbenzenesulfonamide**



**3ab:** According to the above *General Procedure* by using **1a** (34.7 mg, 0.1 mmol), **2b** (38.2 mg, 0.11 mmol) and  $\text{FeCl}_3 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (2.7 mg, 0.01 mmol) in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  (1.0 mL) for 1.0 h at 25 °C, the chromatographic purification ( $V_{\text{petroleum ether}}/V_{\text{dichloromethane}} = 2/1$ ) afforded **3ab** (60.4 mg, 87% yield, 2:1 *dr*, light yellow powder). **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , mixed isomers of **3ab** (2:1 *dr*))  $\delta =$  7.80–7.45 (m, 4.96H, major + minor), 7.36 (br, 1.65H, major + minor), 7.30–7.17 (m, 5.67H, major + minor), 7.17–7.01 (m, 12.18H, major + minor), 6.96 (br, 3.32H, major + minor), 6.78 (br, 2.61H, major + minor), 6.59 (br, 0.52H, minor), 5.08 (br, 0.44H, minor), 5.00 (s, 1.00H, major), 4.95 (s, 1.08H, major), 4.74 (br, 0.42H, minor), 3.52 (s, 4.45H, major + minor), 2.35 (br, 1.46H, minor), 2.29 (s, 3.03H, major), 1.36 (br, 8.64H, minor), 1.24 (s, 18.00H, major) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (150 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta =$  152.6 (major + minor), 151.0 (major + minor), 143.3 (2major), 143.2 (minor), 142.3 (major + minor), 140.7 (major + 2minor), 137.6 (major + minor), 136.0 (major + minor), 134.5 (major + minor), 134.1 (minor), 133.5 (major), 129.2 (2major + 3minor), 128.4 (2major), 127.7 (2major + 2minor), 126.3 (major + minor), 126.0 (2major), 125.8 (minor), 125.0 (minor), 124.8 (minor), 124.6 (minor), 124.5 (major), 122.0 (major), 120.9 (major + minor), 120.6 (major + minor), 120.1 (major), 119.7 (major + minor), 119.3 (minor), 118.5 (minor), 109.4 (major + minor), 51.0 (minor), 50.4 (major), 34.1 (major + minor), 30.6 (major + minor), 30.2 (major + minor), 21.4 (major + minor) ppm. **IR** (film):  $\bar{\nu} = 3630, 3382, 2956, 1597, 1483, 1433, 1357, 1233, 1163, 1090, 1033, 933, 735, 693, 586, 546 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ . **HRMS** (ESI): *m/z* calcd for  $\text{C}_{45}\text{H}_{47}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3\text{S} [M + \text{H}]^+$ : 695.3302; found: 695.3295.

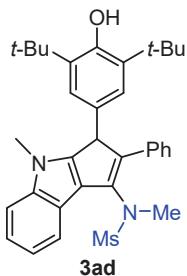
***N*-Benzyl-*N*-(3-(3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-4-methyl-2-phenyl-3,4-dihydrocyclopenta[*b*]indol-1-yl) methanesulfonamide**



**3ac:** According to the above *General Procedure* by using **1a** (34.7 mg, 0.1 mmol), **2c** (31.4 mg, 0.11 mmol) and  $\text{FeCl}_3 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (2.7 mg, 0.01 mmol) in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  (1.0 mL) for 0.5 h at 25 °C, the chromatographic purification ( $V_{\text{petroleum ether}}/V_{\text{dichloromethane}} = 2/1$ ) afforded **3ac** (60.0 mg, 95% yield, 2:1 *dr*, light yellow solid, mp = 216–217 °C). **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , mixed isomers of **3ac** (2:1 *dr*))  $\delta =$  7.82–7.72 (m, 1.50H, major + minor), 7.40–7.31 (m, 3.07H, major + minor), 7.29–7.20 (m, 6.88H, major + minor), 7.17–6.94 (m, 8.07H, major + minor), 6.93–6.59 (m, 5.13H, major + minor), 5.37 (s, 0.40H, minor), 5.35 (s, 0.48H, minor), 5.00 (br, 2.13H, major), 4.84 (br, 1.97H, major), 4.70 (br, 0.56H, minor), 4.64 (s, 0.51H, minor), 3.54 (s, 4.54H, major + minor), 2.99 (br, 1.50H, minor), 2.67 (s, 3.00H, major), 1.27 (s, 27.07H, major + minor) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (150 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta =$  152.7 (major + minor), 151.5 (minor), 150.6 (major), 142.5 (major + minor), 140.8 (major + minor), 136.4 and 135.9 (2major + 2minor), 134.9 (minor), 134.6 (major), 133.0 (minor), 132.3 (major), 129.8 (major + minor), 129.2 (minor), 128.9 (major + minor), 128.6 (major), 128.1 (major), 127.7 (minor), 127.4 (major + minor), 126.5 (major + minor), 125.5 (major + minor), 124.7 (major + minor), 120.8 (major + minor), 120.5 (major + minor), 120.1 (major + minor), 119.5 (major + minor), 117.6 (major), 117.2 (minor), 109.9 (major + minor), 53.6 (major + minor), 51.3 (major + minor), 40.4 (major + minor), 34.1 (major + minor), 30.7 (major + minor), 30.2 (major + minor) ppm. **IR**

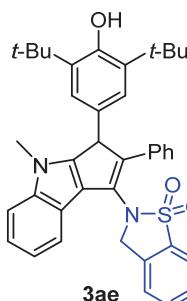
(film):  $\bar{\nu}$  = 3361, 2956, 2921, 1601, 1456, 1433, 1338, 1153, 1066, 1021, 732, 697, 578, 556 cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS** (ESI): *m/z* calcd for C<sub>40</sub>H<sub>45</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S [M + H]<sup>+</sup>: 633.3145; found: 633.3139.

### *N*-(3-(3,5-Di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-4-methyl-2-phenyl-3,4-dihydrocyclopenta[b]indol-1-yl)-*N*-methylmethanesulfonamide



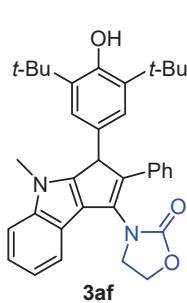
**3ad:** According to the above *General Procedure* by using **1a** (34.7 mg, 0.1 mmol), **2d** (23.0 mg, 0.11 mmol) and FeCl<sub>3</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O (2.7 mg, 0.01 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1.0 mL) for 1.0 h at 25 °C, the chromatographic purification (*V*<sub>petroleum ether</sub>/*V*<sub>dichloromethane</sub> = 1/1) afforded **3ad** (48.5 mg, 87% yield, light yellow powder). **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  = 7.83–7.72 (m, 1H), 7.36 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.33–7.27 (m, 1H), 7.27–7.17 (m, 4H), 7.13 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.88 (br, 2H), 5.03 (s, 1H), 4.85 (s, 1H), 3.54 (s, 3H), 3.50 (s, 3H), 2.75 (s, 3H), 1.30 (s, 18H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  = 152.7, 151.5, 140.8, 140.5, 136.2, 135.0, 134.9, 128.3, 128.1, 126.6, 125.7, 124.7, 120.8, 120.5, 120.2, 119.6, 117.5, 109.9, 50.6, 39.3, 37.1, 34.2, 30.7, 30.2 ppm. **IR** (film):  $\bar{\nu}$  = 3631, 3382, 2957, 1598, 1482, 1434, 1138, 1234, 1146, 1069, 1019, 963, 734, 695, 576 cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS** (ESI): *m/z* calcd for C<sub>34</sub>H<sub>41</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S [M + H]<sup>+</sup>: 557.2832; found: 557.2825.

### 2-(3-(3,5-Di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-4-methyl-2-phenyl-3,4-dihydrocyclopenta[b]indol-1-yl)-2,3-dihydrobenzo[d]isothiazole 1,1-dioxide



**3ae:** According to the above *General Procedure* by using **1a** (34.7 mg, 0.1 mmol), **2e** (29.6 mg, 0.11 mmol) and FeCl<sub>3</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O (2.7 mg, 0.01 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1.0 mL) for 5.0 h at 25 °C, the chromatographic purification (*V*<sub>petroleum ether</sub>/*V*<sub>dichloromethane</sub> = 1.5/1) afforded **3ae** (24.7 mg, 40% yield, light yellow powder). **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  = 7.93 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.59 (t, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 3H), 7.51 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.28–7.25 (m, 1H), 7.18 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.14 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.10 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.03 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.98 (s, 2H), 5.02 (s, 1H), 4.91 (s, 1H), 4.80 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 4.75 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 3.56 (s, 3H), 1.32 (s, 18H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (150 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  = 152.7, 151.3, 142.7, 140.7, 136.1, 135.6, 134.4, 133.7, 132.7, 129.9, 129.2, 128.5, 128.0, 126.7, 125.6, 124.8, 124.5, 121.8, 120.9, 120.8, 120.2, 120.0, 118.1, 109.6, 51.4, 50.8, 34.3, 30.7, 30.3 ppm. **IR** (film):  $\bar{\nu}$  = 3631, 3389, 3054, 2958, 2872, 1598, 1518, 1481, 1433, 1311, 1173, 757, 738, 564 cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS** (ESI): *m/z* calcd for C<sub>39</sub>H<sub>41</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S [M + H]<sup>+</sup>: 617.2832; found: 617.2822.

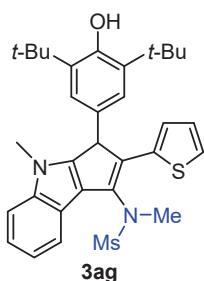
### 3-(3-(3,5-Di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-4-methyl-2-phenyl-3,4-dihydrocyclopenta[b]indol-1-yl) oxazolidin-2-one



**3af:** According to the above *General Procedure* by using **1a** (34.7 mg, 0.1 mmol), **2f** (20.6 mg, 0.11 mmol) and FeCl<sub>3</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O (2.7 mg, 0.01 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1.0 mL) for 2.0 h at 25 °C, the chromatographic purification (*V*<sub>petroleum ether</sub>/*V*<sub>dichloromethane</sub> = 1/1) afforded **3af** (13.5 mg, 25% yield, yellow powder). **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  = 7.70–7.63 (m, 1H), 7.28–7.25 (m, 1H), 7.22 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 4H), 7.19–7.11 (m, 3H), 6.90 (s, 2H), 5.04 (s, 1H), 4.77 (s, 1H), 4.47–4.40 (m, 2H), 3.79–3.73 (m, 1H), 3.70–3.64 (m, 1H), 3.54 (s, 3H), 1.31 (s, 18H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (150 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$

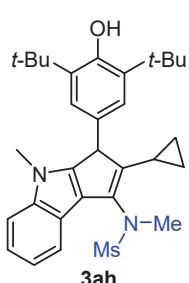
= 156.7, 152.7, 150.9, 140.7, 136.0, 135.3, 134.3, 132.3, 128.3, 128.1, 126.5, 125.7, 124.9, 120.9, 120.8, 120.2, 120.0, 117.6, 109.5, 62.8, 50.8, 45.8, 34.2, 30.7, 30.2 ppm. **IR** (film):  $\bar{\nu}$  = 3630, 3399, 3054, 2957, 1758, 1596, 1483, 1432, 1398, 1231, 1094, 1039, 737, 701 cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS** (ESI): *m/z* calcd for C<sub>35</sub>H<sub>39</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> [M + H]<sup>+</sup>: 535.2955; found: 535.2948.

***N-(3-(3,5-Di-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-4-methyl-2-(thiophen-2-yl)-3,4-dihydrocyclopenta[b]indol-1-yl)-N-methylmethanesulfonamide***



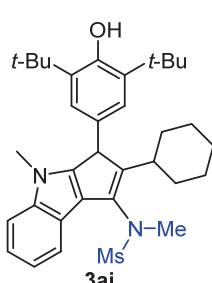
**3ag:** According to the above *General Procedure* by using **1a** (34.7 mg, 0.1 mmol), **2g** (23.7 mg, 0.11 mmol) and FeCl<sub>3</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O (2.7 mg, 0.01 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1.0 mL) for 0.5 h at 25 °C, the chromatographic purification (*V*<sub>petroleum ether</sub>/*V*<sub>dichloromethane</sub> = 1/1) afforded **3ag** (36.7 mg, 65% yield, light green powder). **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  = 7.77 (br, 1H), 7.31–7.27 (m, 1H), 7.23–7.17 (m, 2H), 7.17–6.90 (m, 3H), 6.85 (br, 2H), 5.11 (s, 1H), 4.77 (br, 1H), 3.52 (s, 3H), 3.47 (s, 3H), 3.10 (s, 3H), 1.35 (s, 18H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (150 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  = 153.0, 151.8, 140.8, 137.0, 136.5, 135.2, 133.8, 126.4 (2C), 124.8, 124.6, 124.3, 120.9, 120.4 (2C), 119.7, 116.7, 109.9, 50.6, 38.9, 36.1, 34.3, 30.6, 30.3 ppm. **IR** (film):  $\bar{\nu}$  = 3379, 2956, 1598, 1481, 1460, 1433, 1338, 1145, 1120, 1068, 1021, 734, 695 cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS** (ESI): *m/z* calcd for C<sub>32</sub>H<sub>39</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S<sub>2</sub> [M + H]<sup>+</sup>: 563.2397; found: 563.2383.

***N-(2-Cyclopropyl-3-(3,5-di-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-4-methyl-3,4-dihydrocyclopenta[b]indol-1-yl)-N-methylmethanesulfonamide***



**3ah:** According to the above *General Procedure* by using **1a** (34.7 mg, 0.1 mmol), **2h** (19.0 mg, 0.11 mmol) and FeCl<sub>3</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O (2.7 mg, 0.01 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1.0 mL) for 0.5 h at 25 °C, the chromatographic purification (*V*<sub>petroleum ether</sub>/*V*<sub>dichloromethane</sub> = 2/1) afforded **3ah** (42.7 mg, 82% yield, brown foam). **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  = 7.60 (br, 1H), 7.29–7.22 (m, 1H), 7.18–7.08 (m, 2H), 6.92 (br, 2H), 5.12 (s, 1H), 4.22 (br, 1H), 3.46 (br, 3H), 3.42 (s, 3H), 3.04 (s, 3H), 1.89 (br, 1H), 1.37 (s, 18H), 0.83–0.73 (m, 1H), 0.70–0.34 (m, 2H), 0.31–0.21 (m, 1H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (150 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  = 152.7, 150.4, 144.1, 140.3, 136.3, 134.1, 125.8, 124.5, 120.1, 119.7 (2C), 118.9, 116.1, 109.8, 49.5, 37.8, 36.9, 34.2, 30.5, 30.2, 10.4, 7.3, 5.8 ppm. **IR** (film):  $\bar{\nu}$  = 3630, 3430, 2957, 1611, 1468, 1433, 1341, 1235, 1147, 1068, 961, 737, 519 cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS** (ESI): *m/z* calcd for C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>41</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S [M + H]<sup>+</sup>: 521.2832; found: 521.2829.

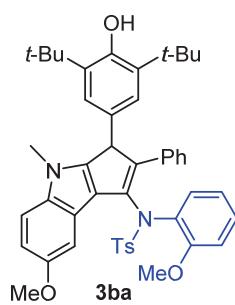
***N-(2-Cyclohexyl-3-(3,5-di-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-4-methyl-3,4-dihydrocyclopenta[b]indol-1-yl)-N-methylmethanesulfonamide***



**3ai:** According to the above *General Procedure* by using **1a** (34.7 mg, 0.1 mmol), **2i** (23.7 mg, 0.11 mmol) and FeCl<sub>3</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O (2.7 mg, 0.01 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1.0 mL) for 1.0 h at 25 °C, the chromatographic purification (*V*<sub>petroleum ether</sub>/*V*<sub>dichloromethane</sub> = 2/1) afforded **3ai** (32.1 mg, 57% yield, 1:1 *dr*, yellow powder). **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, mixed isomers of **3ai** (1:1 *dr*))  $\delta$  = 7.69–7.52 (m, 1.88H, major + minor), 7.31–7.24 (m, 1.88H, major + minor), 7.20–7.12 (m, 3.75H, major + minor), 7.09–6.45 (m, 3.62H, major + minor), 5.12 (s, 0.86H, minor), 5.10 (s,

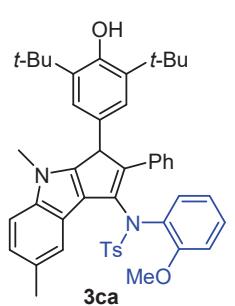
1.00H, major), 4.46 (s, 0.86H, minor), 4.41 (s, 1.02H, major), 3.48 (s, 3.05H, major), 3.43 (s, 5.15H, minor), 3.38 (s, 3.01H, major), 3.05 (s, 3.00H, major), 3.02 (s, 2.57H, minor), 2.90–2.80 (m, 1.88H, major + minor), 1.92–1.83 (m, 0.87H, minor), 1.76–1.70 (m, 2.88H, major + minor), 1.62–1.56 (m, 2.06H, major), 1.55–1.45 (m, 5.15H, major + minor), 1.37 (s, 33.51H, major + minor), 1.29–1.24 (m, 2.08H, major), 1.20–1.12 (m, 1.86H, major + minor), 1.02–0.84 (m, 1.97H, major + minor), 0.58–0.42 (m, 1.87H, major + minor) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (150 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  = 152.8 (major + minor), 151.5 (major), 151.0 (minor), 149.7 (minor), 149.4 (major), 140.4 (minor), 140.3 (major), 136.2 (major + minor), 131.9 (major + minor), 126.4 (minor), 126.0 (major), 124.8 (major + minor), 120.1 (major + minor), 119.9 (minor), 119.8 (2C, major), 119.6 (minor), 119.0 (minor), 118.8 (major), 116.1 (minor), 115.5 (major), 109.9 (major + minor), 48.8 (minor), 48.6 (major), 38.6 (major), 38.2 (minor), 38.1 (minor), 37.9 (minor), 37.8 (major), 37.4 (major), 34.7 (major), 34.2 (major + minor), 32.8 (minor), 32.3 (minor), 31.2 (major), 30.5 (major + minor), 30.3 (major + minor), 27.1 (minor), 27.0 (major), 26.9 (major + minor), 26.25 (major), 26.15 (minor) ppm. **IR** (film):  $\bar{\nu}$  = 3417, 2957, 1610, 1482, 1433, 1338, 1225, 1146, 1054, 962, 739, 696 cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS** (ESI): *m/z* calcd for C<sub>34</sub>H<sub>46</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>SNa [M + Na]<sup>+</sup>: 585.3121; found: 585.3115.

***N*-(3-(3,5-Di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-7-methoxy-4-methyl-2-phenyl-3,4-dihydrocyclopenta[b]indol-1-yl)-*N*-(2-methoxyphenyl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide**



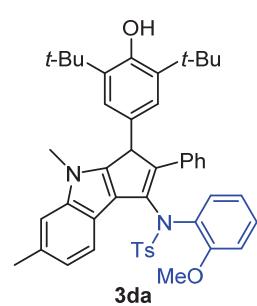
**3ba:** According to the above *General Procedure* by using **1b** (37.7 mg, 0.1 mmol), **2a** (41.5 mg, 0.11 mmol) and  $\text{FeCl}_3 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (2.7 mg, 0.01 mmol) in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  (1.0 mL) for 0.3 h at 25 °C, the chromatographic purification ( $V_{\text{petroleum ether}}/V_{\text{dichloromethane}} = 1/1$ ) afforded **3ba** (50.0 mg, 66% yield, light yellow powder). **1H NMR** (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  = 7.68 (d,  $J$  = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 7.62 (br, 1H), 7.22–7.12 (m, 3H), 7.10 (t,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.02 (t,  $J$  = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 6.91 (t,  $J$  = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 6.86 (d,  $J$  = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 6.81–6.58 (m, 6H), 6.56–6.48 (m, 1H), 4.97 (s, 1H), 4.59 (br, 1H), 3.89 (s, 3H), 3.50 (s, 3H), 3.41 (s, 3H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 1.24 (s, 18H) ppm. **13C NMR** (150 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  = 156.0, 154.1, 152.5, 150.2, 142.8, 141.2, 138.4, 136.2, 135.8, 135.7, 135.1, 130.2, 129.8, 129.5, 128.8, 128.5, 128.0, 127.0, 126.3, 126.0, 124.7, 122.0, 120.7, 119.8, 111.6, 110.4, 109.6, 104.2, 56.0, 54.8, 51.5, 34.1, 30.7, 30.2, 21.5 ppm. **IR** (film):  $\bar{\nu}$  = 3632, 3377, 2955, 1597, 1497, 1462, 1434, 1347, 1265, 1160, 1091, 1028, 735, 699, 586  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . **HRMS** (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{47}\text{H}_{51}\text{N}_2\text{O}_5\text{S} [M + \text{H}]^+$ : 755.3513; found: 755.3505.

***N*-(3-(3,5-Di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-4,7-dimethyl-2-phenyl-3,4-dihydrocyclopenta[b]indol-1-yl)-*N*-(2-methoxyphenyl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide**



**3ca:** According to the above *General Procedure* by using **1c** (36.1 mg, 0.1 mmol), **2a** (41.5 mg, 0.11 mmol) and  $\text{FeCl}_3 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (2.7 mg, 0.01 mmol) in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  (1.0 mL) for 0.3 h at 25 °C, the chromatographic purification ( $V_{\text{petroleum ether}}/V_{\text{dichloromethane}} = 1/1$ ) afforded **3ca** (51.8 mg, 70% yield, light yellow solid, mp = 209–210 °C). **1H NMR** (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  = 7.66 (d,  $J$  = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.43 (br, 1H), 7.15 (d,  $J$  = 8.3 Hz, 3H), 7.10 (t,  $J$  = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.06 (t,  $J$  = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.02–6.96 (m, 3H), 6.88–6.62 (m, 6H), 6.55 (t,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 4.96 (s, 1H), 4.58 (br, 1H), 3.49 (s, 3H), 3.37 (s, 3H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 2.41 (s, 3H), 1.24 (s, 18H) ppm. **13C NMR** (150 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  = 155.9, 152.5, 150.1, 142.6, 142.1, 139.2, 138.7, 135.8, 135.5, 135.2, 130.3, 130.1, 129.6, 128.8, 128.5, 128.3, 128.1, 127.2, 126.4, 125.9, 124.7, 121.8, 121.7, 121.6, 120.0, 119.9, 111.5, 108.7, 54.6, 51.4, 34.1, 30.6, 30.2, 21.6, 21.5 ppm. **IR** (film):  $\bar{\nu}$  = 3362, 2920, 1598, 1462, 1433, 1349, 1161, 1088, 1042, 736, 579, 558  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . **HRMS** (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{47}\text{H}_{51}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4\text{S} [M + \text{H}]^+$ : 739.3564; found: 739.3555.

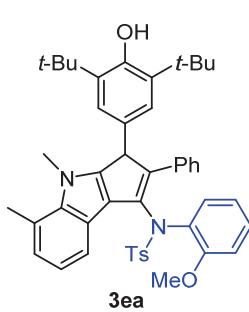
***N*-(3-(3,5-Di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-4,6-dimethyl-2-phenyl-3,4-dihydrocyclopenta[b]indol-1-yl)-*N*-(2-methoxyphenyl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide**



**3da:** According to the above *General Procedure* by using **1d** (36.1 mg, 0.1 mmol), **2a** (41.5 mg, 0.11 mmol) and  $\text{FeCl}_3 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (2.7 mg, 0.01 mmol) in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  (1.0 mL) for 0.3 h at 25 °C, the chromatographic purification ( $V_{\text{petroleum ether}}/V_{\text{dichloromethane}} = 1/1$ ) afforded **3da** (53.9 mg, 73% yield, light yellow solid, mp = 198–199 °C). **1H NMR** (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  = 7.78 (br, 1H), 7.66 (d,  $J$  = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.15 (d,  $J$  = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 7.10 (t,  $J$  = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.07 (s, 1H), 7.02 (t,  $J$  = 7.03 Hz, 1H), 6.97 (d,  $J$  = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (t,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 6.82–6.61 (m, 6H), 6.53 (t,  $J$  = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 4.96 (s, 1H), 4.58 (br, 1H), 3.49 (s, 3H), 3.40 (s, 3H),

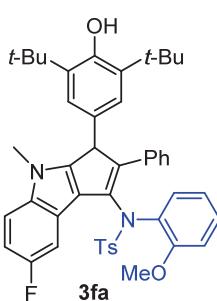
2.51 (s, 3H), 2.41 (s, 3H), 1.24 (s, 18H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (150 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ = 156.0, 152.5, 149.3, 142.6, 141.9, 141.2, 138.6, 135.8, 135.7, 135.2, 130.1 (3C), 129.5, 128.8, 128.5, 128.1, 127.1, 126.3, 126.0, 124.7, 121.6, 121.1, 120.7, 119.9, 119.6, 111.5, 109.3, 54.8, 51.5, 34.1, 30.6, 30.2, 21.9, 21.5 ppm. **IR** (film):  $\bar{\nu}$  = 3360, 2920, 1597, 1433, 1348, 1160, 1088, 1042, 817, 699, 586, 557 cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS** (ESI): *m/z* calcd for C<sub>47</sub>H<sub>51</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>S [M + H]<sup>+</sup>: 739.3564; found: 739.3558.

***N*-(3-(3,5-Di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-4,5-dimethyl-2-phenyl-3,4-dihydrocyclopenta[b]indol-1-yl)-*N*-(2-methoxyphenyl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide**



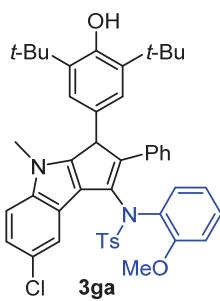
**3ea:** According to the above *General Procedure* by using **1e** (36.1 mg, 0.1 mmol), **2a** (41.5 mg, 0.11 mmol) and FeCl<sub>3</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O (2.7 mg, 0.01 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1.0 mL) for 0.3 h at 25 °C, the chromatographic purification (*V*<sub>petroleum ether</sub>/*V*<sub>dichloromethane</sub> = 1/1) afforded **3ea** (60.0 mg, 81% yield, light yellow solid, mp = 199–200 °C). **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ = 7.79 (br, 1H), 7.65 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 2H), 7.21–7.06 (m, 3H), 7.05–6.97 (m, 2H), 6.94–6.89 (m, 3H), 6.85–6.35 (m, 7H), 4.96 (s, 1H), 4.56 (br, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.40 (s, 3H), 2.74 (s, 3H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 1.24 (s, 18H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (150 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ = 156.3–155.3 (1C), 152.5, 150.4, 142.6, 142.3, 139.4, 138.6, 135.8, 135.7–135.2 (1C), 135.1, 130.1, 129.5 (2C), 128.7, 128.4, 128.0, 127.0, 126.3, 126.0, 124.7, 123.6, 122.5, 121.1, 120.9, 120.2, 119.9, 119.6, 111.5, 54.7, 51.7, 34.5, 34.1, 30.2, 21.5, 19.9 ppm. **IR** (film):  $\bar{\nu}$  = 3634, 3361, 2956, 2921, 1597, 1497, 1433, 1348, 1265, 1161, 1089, 1028, 746, 589, 557 cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS** (ESI): *m/z* calcd for C<sub>47</sub>H<sub>51</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>S [M + H]<sup>+</sup>: 739.3564; found: 739.3557.

***N*-(3-(3,5-Di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-7-fluoro-4-methyl-2-phenyl-3,4-dihydrocyclopenta[b]indol-1-yl)-*N*-(2-methoxyphenyl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide**



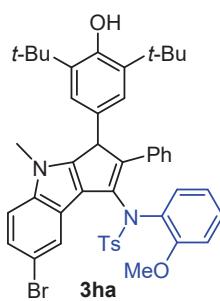
**3fa:** According to the above *General Procedure* by using **1f** (36.5 mg, 0.1 mmol), **2a** (41.5 mg, 0.11 mmol) and FeCl<sub>3</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O (2.7 mg, 0.01 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1.0 mL) for 0.2 h at 25 °C, the chromatographic purification (*V*<sub>petroleum ether</sub>/*V*<sub>dichloromethane</sub> = 1/1) afforded **3fa** (72.9 mg, 98% yield, light yellow solid, mp = 199–200 °C). **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ = 7.66 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.24 (s, 1H), 7.20 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.15 (dd, *J* = 8.9, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 7.12–7.01 (m, 2H), 6.98 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 6.92–6.88 (m, 1H), 6.84–6.59 (m, 5H), 6.57–6.45 (m, 2H), 4.98 (s, 1H), 4.56 (s, 1H), 3.50 (s, 3H), 3.40 (s, 3H), 2.44 (s, 3H), 1.25 (s, 18H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (150 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ = 157.9 (d, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>C-F</sub> = 231.0 Hz), 156.2, 152.6, 151.3, 143.1, 142.3, 138.5, 137.3, 135.9, 135.1 (2C), 130.7, 129.6 (2C), 129.0, 128.8, 128.1, 127.3, 126.6, 125.5, 124.7, 121.7 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>C-F</sub> = 11.1 Hz), 120.6, 119.7, 111.5, 109.4 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>C-F</sub> = 9.9 Hz), 108.4 (d, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>C-F</sub> = 25.1 Hz), 107.0 (d, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>C-F</sub> = 24.6 Hz), 54.8, 51.7, 34.1, 30.8, 30.2, 21.5 ppm. **IR** (film):  $\bar{\nu}$  = 3632, 3366, 2956, 1597, 1497, 1463, 1351, 1161, 1090, 1027, 736, 585, 558 cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS** (ESI): *m/z* calcd for C<sub>46</sub>H<sub>48</sub>FN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>S [M + H]<sup>+</sup>: 743.3313; found: 743.3307.

***N*-(7-Chloro-3-(3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-4-methyl-2-phenyl-3,4-dihydrocyclopenta[b]indol-1-yl)-*N*-(2-methoxyphenyl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide**



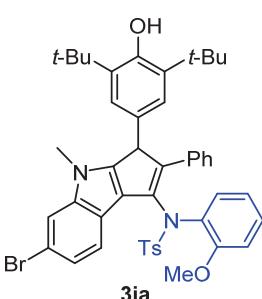
**3ga:** According to the above *General Procedure* by using **1g** (38.1 mg, 0.1 mmol), **2a** (41.5 mg, 0.11 mmol) and  $\text{FeCl}_3 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (2.7 mg, 0.01 mmol) in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  (1.0 mL) for 0.2 h at 25 °C, the chromatographic purification ( $V_{\text{petroleum ether}}/V_{\text{dichloromethane}} = 1/1$ ) afforded **3ga** (72.2 mg, 95% yield, light yellow powder). **1H NMR** (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  = 7.63 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.25 (br, 1H), 7.22 (d,  $J$  = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.17–7.03 (m, 6H), 6.88 (br, 2H), 6.79–6.61 (m, 3H), 6.50 (d,  $J$  = 4.5 Hz, 2H), 4.99 (s, 1H), 4.57 (s, 1H), 3.50 (s, 3H), 3.39 (s, 3H), 2.46 (s, 3H), 1.26 (s, 18H) ppm. **13C NMR** (150 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  = 156.2, 152.7, 151.2, 143.3 (2C), 139.0, 138.5, 136.0, 135.1, 134.8, 131.4, 129.7, 129.3, 129.1, 129.0, 128.0, 127.4, 126.8, 125.3, 125.1, 124.7, 122.2, 121.3, 120.4, 120.0, 119.8, 111.4, 110.0, 54.7, 51.6, 34.2, 30.8, 30.2, 21.7 ppm. **IR** (film):  $\bar{\nu}$  = 3363, 2921, 1597, 1496, 1433, 1351, 1161, 1088, 1022, 592, 579, 557  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . **HRMS** (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{46}\text{H}_{48}\text{ClN}_2\text{O}_4\text{S} [M + \text{H}]^+$ : 759.3018; found: 759.3016.

***N*-(7-Bromo-3-(3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-4-methyl-2-phenyl-3,4-dihydrocyclopenta[b]indol-1-yl)-*N*-(2-methoxyphenyl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide**



**3ha:** According to the above *General Procedure* by using **1h** (42.5 mg, 0.1 mmol), **2a** (41.5 mg, 0.11 mmol) and  $\text{FeCl}_3 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (2.7 mg, 0.01 mmol) in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  (1.0 mL) for 0.3 h at 25 °C, the chromatographic purification ( $V_{\text{petroleum ether}}/V_{\text{dichloromethane}} = 1/1$ ) afforded **3ha** (77.8 mg, 97% yield, light yellow powder). **1H NMR** (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  = 7.63 (d,  $J$  = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.45 (br, 1H), 7.25–7.19 (m, 3H), 7.16–7.04 (m, 5H), 6.90 (br, 2H), 6.81–6.61 (m, 3H), 6.56–6.44 (m, 2H), 4.99 (s, 1H), 4.56 (s, 1H), 3.49 (s, 3H), 3.39 (s, 3H), 2.47 (s, 3H), 1.26 (s, 18H) ppm. **13C NMR** (150 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  = 156.2, 152.7, 151.1, 143.4, 143.2, 139.3, 138.4, 136.0, 135.1, 134.7, 131.5, 129.7 (2C), 129.2, 129.0, 127.9, 127.5, 126.9, 125.3, 124.7, 124.3, 123.0, 122.7, 119.8 (2C), 112.8, 111.4, 110.5, 54.7, 51.6, 34.2, 30.7, 30.2, 21.8 ppm. **IR** (film):  $\bar{\nu}$  = 3631, 3411, 2956, 1598, 1496, 1464, 1434, 1349, 1264, 1162, 1057, 1026, 788, 730, 663, 591, 555  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . **HRMS** (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{46}\text{H}_{48}\text{BrN}_2\text{O}_4\text{S} [M + \text{H}]^+$ : 803.2513; found: 803.2507.

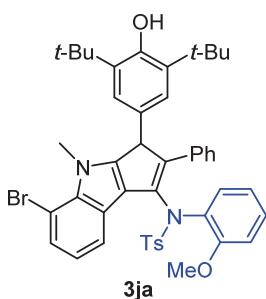
***N*-(6-Bromo-3-(3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-4-methyl-2-phenyl-3,4-dihydrocyclopenta[b]indol-1-yl)-*N*-(2-methoxyphenyl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide**



**3ia:** According to the above *General Procedure* by using **1i** (42.5 mg, 0.1 mmol), **2a** (41.5 mg, 0.11 mmol) and  $\text{FeCl}_3 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (2.7 mg, 0.01 mmol) in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  (1.0 mL) for 0.5 h at 25 °C, the chromatographic purification ( $V_{\text{petroleum ether}}/V_{\text{dichloromethane}} = 1/1$ ) afforded **3ia** (74.6 mg, 93% yield, light yellow solid, mp = 205–206 °C). **1H NMR** (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  = 7.81 (br, 1H), 7.66 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.43 (d,  $J$  = 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.25–7.22 (m, 1H), 7.19 (d,  $J$  = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.12–7.08 (m, 1H), 7.05 (t,  $J$  = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.91 (t,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 6.75 (d,  $J$  = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 6.66 (br, 2H), 6.58 (br, 2H), 6.52–6.41 (m, 2H), 4.99 (s, 1H), 4.57 (s, 1H), 3.49 (s, 3H), 3.40 (s, 3H), 2.43 (s, 3H), 1.24 (s, 18H) ppm. **13C NMR** (150 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  = 156.2, 152.7, 150.1, 142.9, 142.5, 141.5, 138.4, 135.9, 135.1, 134.9, 130.1, 129.9, 129.5, 129.0, 128.8, 128.1,

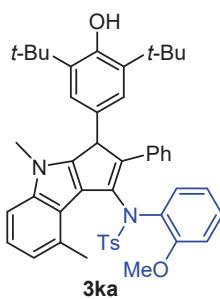
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***N-(5-Bromo-3-(3,5-di-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-4-methyl-2-phenyl-3,4-dihydrocyclopenta[b]indol-1-yl)-N-(2-methoxyphenyl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide***



**3ja:** According to the above *General Procedure* by using **1j** (42.5 mg, 0.1 mmol), **2a** (41.5 mg, 0.11 mmol) and FeCl<sub>3</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O (2.7 mg, 0.01 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1.0 mL) for 0.3 h at 25 °C, the chromatographic purification (*V*<sub>petroleum ether</sub>/*V*<sub>dichloromethane</sub> = 1/1) afforded **3ja** (78.6 mg, 98% yield, light yellow powder). **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  = 7.99 (br, 1H), 7.66 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.31 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.16 (br, 2H), 7.11–7.08 (m, 1H), 7.03 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.00–6.94 (m, 1H), 6.89 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 6.83–6.40 (m, 7H), 4.99 (s, 1H), 4.56 (s, 1H), 3.92 (s, 3H), 3.39 (s, 3H), 2.41 (s, 3H), 1.24 (s, 18H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (150 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  = 156.0, 152.7, 151.2, 142.9 (2C), 138.4, 136.6, 135.9, 134.8 (2C), 129.9 (2C), 129.5, 128.9, 128.7, 128.0, 127.1, 126.6, 125.8, 125.3, 124.8, 124.6, 121.5, 121.2, 120.5, 119.7, 111.6, 103.6, 54.8, 52.0, 34.7, 34.1, 30.2, 21.5 ppm. **IR** (film):  $\bar{\nu}$  = 3633, 3378, 2956, 1598, 1497, 1435, 1350, 1265, 1162, 1104, 1028, 733, 662, 589, 549 cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS** (ESI): *m/z* calcd for C<sub>46</sub>H<sub>48</sub>BrN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>S [M + H]<sup>+</sup>: 803.2513; found: 803.2503.

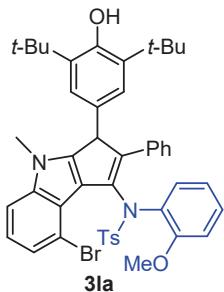
***N-(3-(3,5-Di-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-4,8-dimethyl-2-phenyl-3,4-dihydrocyclopenta[b]indol-1-yl)-N-(2-methoxyphenyl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide***



**3ka:** According to the above *General Procedure* by using **1k** (36.1 mg, 0.1 mmol), **2a** (41.5 mg, 0.11 mmol) and FeCl<sub>3</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O (2.7 mg, 0.01 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1.0 mL) for 1.0 h at 25 °C, the chromatographic purification (*V*<sub>petroleum ether</sub>/*V*<sub>dichloromethane</sub> = 1.5/1) afforded **3ka** (65.1 mg, 88% yield, 4:1 *dr*, light yellow powder). **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, mixed isomers of **3ka** (4:1 *dr*))  $\delta$  = 7.71 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 0.97H, major), 7.76 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 0.52H, minor), 7.57 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1.97H, major), 7.22–7.12 (m, 3.78H, major + minor), 7.08–7.02 (m, 1.53H, major + minor), 6.97–6.92 (m, 1.54H, major + minor), 6.89–6.86 (m, 2.41H, major + minor), 6.85–6.74 (m, 4.57H, major + minor), 6.69 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2.01H, major), 6.67–6.59 (m, 2.85H, major + minor), 6.11 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 0.48H, minor), 5.16 (s, 0.25H, minor), 4.92 (s, 1.00H, major), 4.88 (s, 0.99H, major), 4.41 (s, 0.24H, minor), 3.59–3.50 (m, 6.76H, major + minor), 3.35 (s, 0.73H, minor), 3.07 (s, 0.74H, minor), 3.00 (s, 2.94H, major), 2.30 (s, 0.75H, minor), 2.26 (s, 2.96H, major), 1.34 (s, 4.48H, minor), 1.17 (s, 18.08H, major) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (150 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  = 153.6 (minor), 152.9 (minor), 152.7 (major), 152.4 (major), 150.3 (major), 148.9 (minor), 142.2 (minor), 141.9 (major), 141.8 (major), 141.3 (major), 141.2 (minor), 140.8 (minor), 139.5 (major), 139.1 (minor), 137.2 (major), 137.0 (minor), 136.2 (minor), 135.8 (major), 134.9 (minor), 134.6 (major), 133.8 (major), 132.6 (minor), 131.9 (minor), 131.7 (major), 129.2 (minor), 129.0 (major), 128.6 (minor), 128.3 (minor), 127.9 (major), 127.8 (major), 126.9 (major), 126.7 (minor), 126.4 (major + minor), 126.3 (minor), 126.2 (major), 126.1 (minor), 126.0 (minor), 125.7 (major), 125.3 (major), 124.9 (minor),

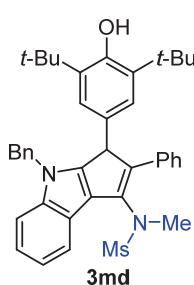
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***N*-(8-Bromo-3-(3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-4-methyl-2-phenyl-3,4-dihydrocyclopenta[*b*]indol-1-yl)-*N*-(2-methoxyphenyl)-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide**



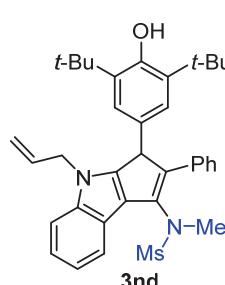
**3la:** According to the above *General Procedure* by using **1l** (42.5 mg, 0.1 mmol), **2a** (41.5 mg, 0.11 mmol) and  $\text{FeCl}_3 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (2.7 mg, 0.01 mmol) in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  (1.0 mL) for 6.0 h at 25 °C, the chromatographic purification ( $V_{\text{petroleum ether}}/V_{\text{dichloromethane}} = 1/1$ ) afforded **3la** (71.5 mg, 89% yield, 4:1 *dr*, light yellow powder). **1H NMR** (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , mixed isomers of **3la** (4:1 *dr*))  $\delta = 7.88$  (d,  $J = 8.0 \text{ Hz}$ , 0.95H, major), 7.67 (d,  $J = 7.7 \text{ Hz}$ , 0.20H, minor), 7.63 (d,  $J = 8.1 \text{ Hz}$ , 0.47H, minor), 7.57 (d,  $J = 8.1 \text{ Hz}$ , 1.95H, major), 7.48 (d,  $J = 8.0 \text{ Hz}$ , 0.24H, minor), 7.45 (d,  $J = 7.6 \text{ Hz}$ , 0.96H, major), 7.29 (d,  $J = 8.2 \text{ Hz}$ , 0.24H, minor), 7.26–7.23 (m, 1.00H, major), 7.15 (t,  $J = 8.1 \text{ Hz}$ , 1.00H, major), 7.10–7.01 (m, 1.51H, major + minor), 6.91 (d,  $J = 8.2 \text{ Hz}$ , 1.49H, major + minor), 6.88–6.82 (m, 3.81H, major + minor), 6.82–6.73 (m, 3.20H, major + minor), 6.72–6.67 (m, 2.27H, major + minor), 6.67–6.63 (m, 2.49H, major + minor), 6.09 (d,  $J = 7.8 \text{ Hz}$ , 0.46H, minor), 5.20 (s, 0.23H, minor), 4.92 (s, 1.01H, major), 4.89 (s, 1.00H, major), 4.41 (s, 0.23H, minor), 3.544 (s, 2.98H, major), 3.536 (s, 0.69H, minor), 3.52 (s, 2.96H, major), 3.23 (s, 0.69H, minor), 2.27 (s, 0.68H, minor), 2.23 (s, 2.94H, major), 1.35 (s, 4.30H, minor), 1.17 (s, 18.15H, major) ppm. **13C NMR** (150 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta = 153.6$  (minor), 153.1 (minor), 152.6 (major), 152.5 (major), 151.4 (major), 150.1 (minor), 142.9 (major), 141.9 (major), 141.8 (3minor), 141.6 (major), 139.7 (major), 139.5 (minor), 136.4 (major + 2minor), 135.9 (major), 134.4 (minor), 134.2 (major), 133.9 (major), 132.9 (minor), 129.2 (minor), 129.1 (major), 128.6 (minor), 128.0 (minor), 127.8 (2C, major), 127.6 (minor), 126.8 (major), 126.6 (major + minor), 126.3 (minor), 126.2 (major + minor), 125.8 (major), 125.7 (major), 125.4 (2minor), 125.2 (major), 124.9 (minor), 124.4 (major), 122.9 (minor), 122.6 (major), 121.6 (minor), 121.4 (major + minor), 120.9 (major), 120.3 (major), 119.9 (minor), 114.1 (major + minor), 111.9 (major), 111.3 (minor), 108.4 (major), 108.3 (minor), 54.4 (major), 54.1 (minor), 51.5 (minor), 49.7 (major), 34.3 (minor), 34.1 (major), 31.0 (minor), 30.8 (major), 30.3 (minor), 30.1 (major), 21.3 (major + minor) ppm. **IR** (film):  $\bar{\nu} = 3633, 3372, 2956, 1598, 1500, 1433, 1350, 1266, 1159, 1089, 1029, 1003, 726, 679, 662, 588, 543 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ . **HRMS** (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $C_{46}H_{48}BrN_2O_4S [M + H]^+$ : 803.2513; found: 803.2507.

***N*-(4-Benzyl-3-(3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-2-phenyl-3,4-dihydrocyclopenta[*b*]indol-1-yl)-*N*-methylmethanesulfonamide**



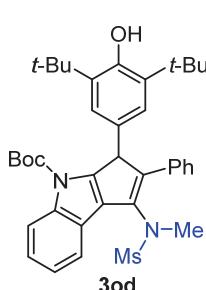
**3md:** According to the above *General Procedure* by using **1m** (42.3 mg, 0.1 mmol), **2d** (23.0 mg, 0.11 mmol) and  $\text{FeCl}_3 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (2.7 mg, 0.01 mmol) in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  (1.0 mL) for 1.5 h at 25 °C, the chromatographic purification ( $V_{\text{petroleum ether}}/V_{\text{dichloromethane}} = 2/1$ ) afforded **3md** (52.5 mg, 83% yield, light brown powder). **1H NMR** (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  = 7.78 (d,  $J$  = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (d,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.27–7.21 (m, 2H), 7.20–7.16 (m, 2H), 7.16–7.05 (m, 5H), 6.88 (br, 2H), 6.68 (d,  $J$  = 5.9 Hz, 2H), 5.30 (d,  $J$  = 16.2 Hz, 1H), 5.05–4.91 (m, 2H), 4.77 (br, 1H), 3.54 (s, 3H), 2.80 (br, 3H), 1.24 (s, 18H) ppm. **13C NMR** (150 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  = 152.8, 151.9, 140.4 (2C), 136.4 (2C), 135.1, 134.9, 128.4, 128.1 (2C), 127.3, 126.6, 126.4, 125.9, 124.5, 121.0, 120.7, 120.4, 119.6, 117.5, 110.7, 50.7, 48.3, 39.3, 37.1, 34.1, 30.1 ppm. **IR** (film):  $\bar{\nu}$  = 3630, 3393, 3058, 2957, 1599, 1481, 1453, 1434, 1343, 1145, 1068, 1021, 962, 772, 737, 695  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . **HRMS** (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{40}\text{H}_{45}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3\text{S}$  [ $M + \text{H}]^+$ : 633.3145; found: 633.3136.

***N*-(4-Allyl-3-(3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-2-phenyl-3,4-dihydrocyclopenta[*b*]indol-1-yl)-*N*-methylmethanesulfonamide**



**3nd:** According to the above *General Procedure* by using **1n** (37.3 mg, 0.1 mmol), **2d** (23.0 mg, 0.11 mmol) and  $\text{FeCl}_3 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (2.7 mg, 0.01 mmol) in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  (1.0 mL) for 1.3 h at 25 °C, the chromatographic purification ( $V_{\text{petroleum ether}}/V_{\text{dichloromethane}} = 2/1$ ) afforded **3nd** (57.8 mg, 99% yield, orange powder). **1H NMR** (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  = 7.76 (d,  $J$  = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (d,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.28–7.23 (m, 3H), 7.22–7.16 (m, 2H), 7.14 (t,  $J$  = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.88 (br, 2H), 5.51–5.36 (m, 1H), 5.03 (s, 1H), 4.94 (d,  $J$  = 10.3 Hz, 1H), 4.90–4.72 (m, 2H), 4.64–4.56 (m, 1H), 4.47 (dd,  $J$  = 16.6, 6.2 Hz, 1H), 3.52 (s, 3H), 2.78 (br, 3H), 1.30 (s, 18H) ppm. **13C NMR** (150 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  = 152.8, 151.4, 140.7, 140.1, 136.3, 135.0 (2C), 132.0, 128.1 (2C), 126.6, 125.9, 124.6, 120.9, 120.6, 120.3, 119.7, 117.6, 116.9, 110.4, 50.7, 46.9, 39.3, 37.1, 34.2, 30.2 ppm. **IR** (film):  $\bar{\nu}$  = 3630, 3399, 3054, 2957, 1598, 1516, 1481, 1455, 1434, 1341, 1146, 1020, 962, 770, 736, 694, 518  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . **HRMS** (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{36}\text{H}_{43}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3\text{S}$  [ $M + \text{H}]^+$ : 583.2989; found: 583.2985.

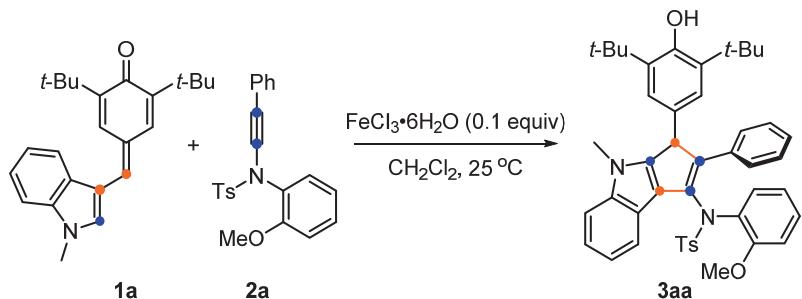
**tert-Butyl 3-(3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-1-(*N*-methylmethanesulfonamido)-2-phenylcyclopenta[*b*]indole-4(3*H*)-carboxylate**



**3od:** According to the above *General Procedure* by using **1o** (43.3 mg, 0.1 mmol), **2d** (23.0 mg, 0.11 mmol) and  $\text{FeCl}_3 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (2.7 mg, 0.01 mmol) in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  (1.0 mL) for 0.5 h at 25 °C, the chromatographic purification ( $V_{\text{petroleum ether}}/V_{\text{dichloromethane}} = 2/1$ ) afforded **3od** (56.6 mg, 88% yield, light yellow powder). **1H NMR** (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  = 8.30 (br, 1H), 7.90–7.72 (m, 1H), 7.38–7.28 (m, 4H), 7.28–7.15 (m, 3H), 6.60 (br, 2H), 5.14 (br, 1H), 4.98 (s, 1H), 3.38 (br, 3H), 2.56 (s, 3H), 1.32 (s, 9H), 1.22 (s, 18H) ppm. **13C NMR** (150 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  = 152.5, 149.2, 146.1, 140.0, 135.6, 134.6, 132.0, 129.3, 128.0, 127.5, 126.3, 126.1, 124.3 (2C), 123.9, 123.3, 122.9, 119.6, 115.9, 83.6, 54.5, 39.6, 37.6, 34.1, 30.1, 27.7 ppm. **IR** (film):  $\bar{\nu}$  = 3632, 3432, 3055, 2959, 1733, 1594,

1481, 1435, 1339, 1320, 1155, 1119, 963, 738, 701, 518  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . **HRMS** (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{38}\text{H}_{47}\text{N}_2\text{O}_5\text{S}$  [ $M + \text{H}]^+$ : 643.3200; found: 643.3199.

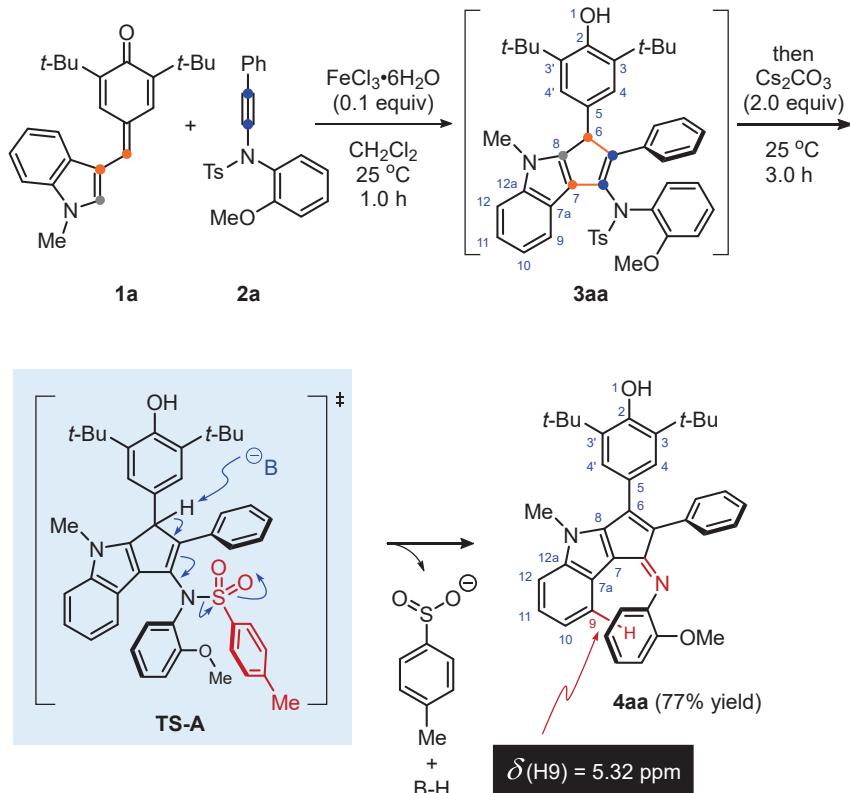
### 3.3. General Procedure for Synthesis of **3aa** on Gram Scale



To a solution of indolyl-substituted *p*-quinone methides **1a** (3.0 mmol, 1.041 g) and ynamides **2a** (3.3 mmol, 1.244 g) in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  (30 mL) was added  $\text{FeCl}_3 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (0.3 mmol, 81.1 mg). The resulting mixture was stirred at  $25^\circ\text{C}$  for the 1.0 h. The solvent was concentrated under reduced pressure, and then the resulting residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel with the elution of petroleum ether/ dichloromethane ( $V_{\text{petroleum ether}}/V_{\text{dichloromethane}} = 3:1$ ) to give the corresponding products **3aa** (1.760 g, 81% yield, light yellow powder).

## 4. Oxidative Desulfonylation of 3aa

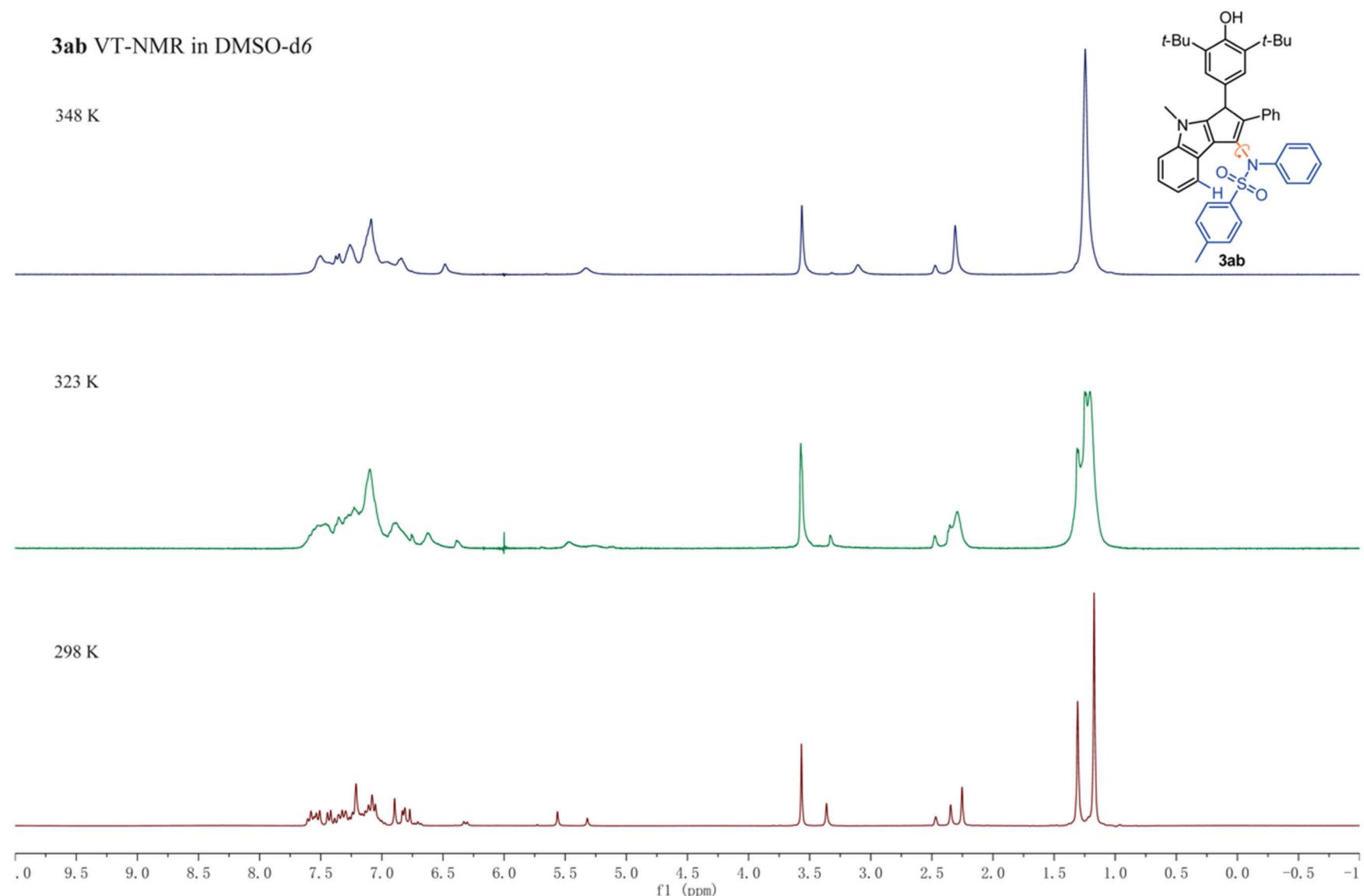
We have investigated a one-pot protocol for the removal of the sulfonyl group at the exocyclic nitrogen of the product **3aa** in the presence of  $\text{Cs}_2\text{CO}_3$ . An unusual  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated imine **4aa**, which resulted from an elimination of the sulfonamide moiety in **3aa** via **TS-A**, was isolated in a total yield of 77% yield. This desulfonylation to some extent shows the unique structural influence of aminocyclopenta[*b*]indoles in exocyclic *N*-Ts deprotection.



**General Procedure:** To a solution of indolyl-substituted *p*-quinone methide **1a** (34.7 mg, 0.1 mmol) and ynamide **2a** (41.5 mg, 0.11 mmol) in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  (1.0 mL) was added  $\text{FeCl}_3 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (2.7 mg, 0.01 mmol). The resulting mixture was stirred at  $25^\circ\text{C}$  for 1.0 h. At the end of tandem annulation,  $\text{Cs}_2\text{CO}_3$  (65.2 mg, 0.2 mmol) was added to the reaction mixture and stirred at  $25^\circ\text{C}$  for 3.0 h. The solvent was concentrated under reduced pressure, and then the resulting residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel with the elution of petroleum ether/dichloromethane ( $V_{\text{petroleum ether}}/V_{\text{dichloromethane}} = 2/1$ ) to give the corresponding product **4aa** (43.8 mg, 77% yield, light yellow powder).  **$^1\text{H NMR}$**  (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  = 7.37–7.31 (m, 2H), 7.23–7.18 (m, 3H), 7.17–7.13 (m, 3H), 7.10 (d,  $J = 8.2 \text{ Hz}$ , 1H), 7.04–6.98 (m, 2H), 6.97–6.93 (m, 1H), 6.91 (dd,  $J = 7.5, 1.6 \text{ Hz}$ , 1H), 6.74 (t,  $J = 7.9 \text{ Hz}$ , 1H), 5.32 (d,  $J = 8.2 \text{ Hz}$ , 1H), 5.29 (s, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 3.57 (s, 3H), 1.34 (s, 18H) ppm.  **$^{13}\text{C NMR}$**  (150 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  = 163.3, 155.0, 153.9, 150.2, 143.7, 141.9, 139.7, 139.0, 135.8, 133.4, 131.4, 127.4, 126.6, 126.4, 124.6, 123.5, 123.2, 121.7, 121.2, 120.8, 120.6, 119.9, 112.1, 109.7, 106.3, 56.0, 34.3, 31.6, 30.2 ppm. **IR** (film):  $\bar{\nu} = 3627, 3404, 3055, 2957, 1633, 1604, 1490, 1456, 1434, 1385, 1247, 1114, 1025, 744, 696 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ . **HRMS (ESI)**:  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{39}\text{H}_{41}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$  [ $M + \text{H}]^+$ : 569.3163; found: 569.3155.

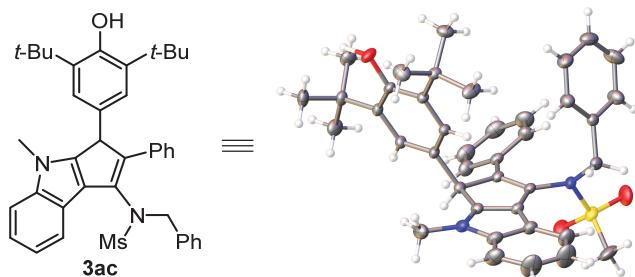
For its 2D NMR spectra ( $^1\text{H}$ - $^1\text{H}$  COSY, HSQC, and HMBC), please see pages S113-S118.

## 5. Variable Temperature NMR Experiments of Atropisomer 3ab



## 6. Determination of the Structure of Products

### 6.1. X-Ray Crystallographic Data of Compound 3ac



**Figure S3.** ORTEP drawing of **3ac** (20% ellipsoid probability)

The single crystal of **3ac**, which was used for the determination of its relative configurations via X-ray crystallography (Figure S3), was recrystallized from dichloromethane and methanol. The intensity data were collected on an Agilent SuperNova (Dual, Cu at zero, Eos) diffractometer using graphite-monochromated Mo K $\alpha$  radiation.

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#### Crystal data and structure refinement for **3ac**

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Formula weight	632.83
Temperature/K	293(2)
Crystal system	monoclinic
Space group	P2 <sub>1</sub> /c
a/Å	15.3974(8)
b/Å	11.0390(5)
c/Å	21.2880(11)
α/°	90.00
β/°	99.266(6)
γ/°	90.00
Volume/Å <sup>3</sup>	3571.2(3)
Z	4
ρ <sub>calcd</sub> /cm <sup>3</sup>	1.177
μ/mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.129
F(000)	1352.0
Crystal size/mm <sup>3</sup>	0.21 × 0.15 × 0.14
Radiation	Mo K $\alpha$ ( $\lambda = 0.71073$ )
2θ range for data collection/°	6.89 to 57.194

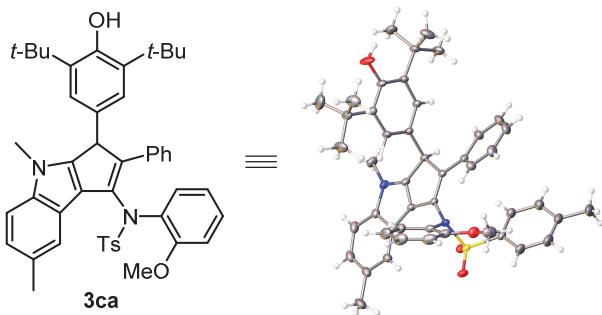
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Index ranges	$-20 \leq h \leq 18, -12 \leq k \leq 14, -14 \leq l \leq 28$
Reflections collected	14336
Independent reflections	8101 [ $R_{\text{int}} = 0.0473, R_{\text{sigma}} = 0.0886$ ]
Data/restraints/parameters	8101/0/425
Goodness-of-fit on $F^2$	1.015
Final R indexes [ $I \geq 2\sigma(I)$ ]	$R_1 = 0.0684, wR_2 = 0.1322$
Final R indexes [all data]	$R_1 = 0.1502, wR_2 = 0.1779$
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å <sup>-3</sup>	0.18/-0.29

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## 6.2. X-Ray Crystallographic Data of Compound 3ca



**Figure S4.** ORTEP drawing of **3ca** (20% ellipsoid probability)

The single crystal of **3ca**, which was used for the determination of its relative configurations via X-ray crystallography (Figure S4), was recrystallized from dichloromethane and methanol. The intensity data were collected on a Rigaku XtaLAB Synergy R (DW system, HyPix) diffractometer using graphite-monochromated Cu K $\alpha$  radiation.

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### Crystal data and structure refinement for **3ca**

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CCDC number	2152045
Empirical formula	C <sub>47</sub> H <sub>50</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> S
Formula weight	738.95
Temperature/K	291.7(2)
Crystal system	monoclinic
Space group	P2 <sub>1</sub> /c
a/Å	10.55370(10)
b/Å	12.93580(10)
c/Å	30.0737(3)
α/°	90
β/°	93.7820(10)
γ/°	90
Volume/Å <sup>3</sup>	4096.74(6)
Z	4
ρ <sub>calcg</sub> /cm <sup>3</sup>	1.198
μ/mm <sup>-1</sup>	1.054
F(000)	1576.0
Crystal size/mm <sup>3</sup>	0.11 × 0.07 × 0.05
Radiation	Cu K $\alpha$ ( $\lambda = 1.54184$ )
2Θ range for data collection/°	5.89 to 152.874
Index ranges	-11 ≤ h ≤ 13, -16 ≤ k ≤ 15, -37 ≤ l ≤ 37

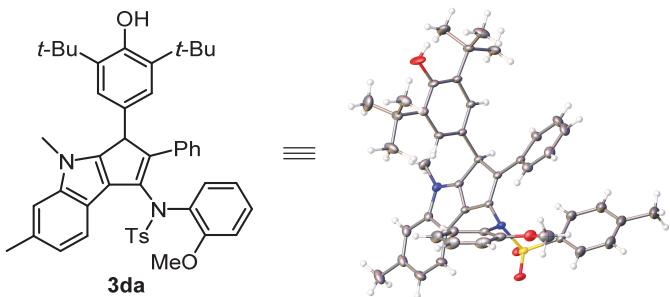
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Reflections collected	32293
Independent reflections	8231 [ $R_{\text{int}} = 0.0277$ , $R_{\text{sigma}} = 0.0228$ ]
Data/restraints/parameters	8231/1/499
Goodness-of-fit on $F^2$	1.045
Final R indexes [ $I \geq 2\sigma(I)$ ]	$R_1 = 0.0424$ , $wR_2 = 0.1170$
Final R indexes [all data]	$R_1 = 0.0466$ , $wR_2 = 0.1199$
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å <sup>-3</sup>	0.26/-0.33

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### 6.3. X-Ray Crystallographic Data of Compound 3da



**Figure S5.** ORTEP drawing of **3da** (20% ellipsoid probability)

The single crystal of **3da**, which was used for the determination of its relative configurations via X-ray crystallography (Figure S5), was recrystallized from dichloromethane and methanol. The intensity data were collected on a Rigaku XtaLAB Synergy R (DW system, HyPix) diffractometer using graphite-monochromated Cu K $\alpha$  radiation.

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#### Crystal data and structure refinement for **3da**

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CCDC number	2152046
Empirical formula	C <sub>47</sub> H <sub>50</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> S
Formula weight	738.95
Temperature/K	302.48(10)
Crystal system	monoclinic
Space group	P2 <sub>1</sub> /c
a/ $\text{\AA}$	10.54220(10)
b/ $\text{\AA}$	12.89340(10)
c/ $\text{\AA}$	30.3311(4)
$\alpha/^\circ$	90
$\beta/^\circ$	95.1050(10)
$\gamma/^\circ$	90
Volume/ $\text{\AA}^3$	4106.40(7)
Z	4
$\rho_{\text{calcd}}/\text{cm}^3$	1.195
$\mu/\text{mm}^{-1}$	1.051
F(000)	1576.0
Crystal size/mm <sup>3</sup>	0.15 × 0.12 × 0.11
Radiation	Cu K $\alpha$ ( $\lambda = 1.54184$ )
2 $\Theta$ range for data collection/°	5.85 to 152.792
Index ranges	-13 ≤ h ≤ 13, -12 ≤ k ≤ 15, -37 ≤ l ≤ 37

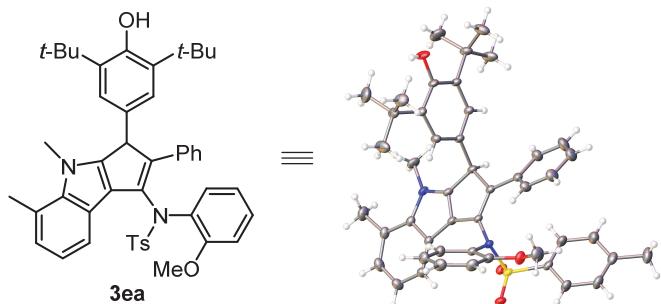
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Reflections collected	36576
Independent reflections	8265 [ $R_{\text{int}} = 0.0525$ , $R_{\text{sigma}} = 0.0443$ ]
Data/restraints/parameters	8265/0/498
Goodness-of-fit on $F^2$	1.083
Final R indexes [ $I \geq 2\sigma(I)$ ]	$R_1 = 0.0483$ , $wR_2 = 0.1294$
Final R indexes [all data]	$R_1 = 0.0577$ , $wR_2 = 0.1365$
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å <sup>-3</sup>	0.24/-0.42

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#### 6.4. X-Ray Crystallographic Data of Compound 3ea



**Figure S6.** ORTEP drawing of **3ea** (20% ellipsoid probability)

The single crystal of **3ea**, which was used for the determination of its relative configurations via X-ray crystallography (Figure S6), was recrystallized from dichloromethane and methanol. The intensity data were collected on a Rigaku XtaLAB Synergy R (DW system, HyPix) diffractometer using graphite-monochromated Cu K $\alpha$  radiation.

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#### Crystal data and structure refinement for **3ea**

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CCDC number	2152047
Empirical formula	C <sub>47</sub> H <sub>50</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> S
Formula weight	738.95
Temperature/K	302.34(10)
Crystal system	triclinic
Space group	P-1
a/Å	12.4470(2)
b/Å	13.1078(3)
c/Å	15.0372(2)
$\alpha/^\circ$	105.888(2)
$\beta/^\circ$	96.944(2)
$\gamma/^\circ$	114.393(2)
Volume/Å <sup>3</sup>	2070.93(7)
Z	2
$\rho_{\text{calc}}/\text{cm}^3$	1.185
$\mu/\text{mm}^{-1}$	1.042
F(000)	788.0
Crystal size/mm <sup>3</sup>	0.15 × 0.06 × 0.05
Radiation	Cu K $\alpha$ ( $\lambda = 1.54184$ )
2 $\Theta$ range for data collection/°	6.342 to 152.784
Index ranges	-15 ≤ h ≤ 15, -16 ≤ k ≤ 16, -18 ≤ l ≤ 17

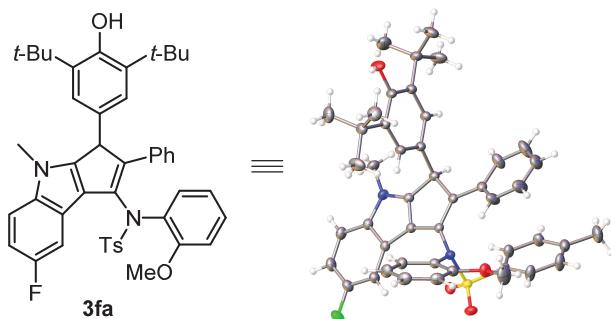
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Reflections collected	26451
Independent reflections	8323 [ $R_{\text{int}} = 0.0484$ , $R_{\text{sigma}} = 0.0489$ ]
Data/restraints/parameters	8323/0/498
Goodness-of-fit on $F^2$	1.050
Final R indexes [ $I \geq 2\sigma(I)$ ]	$R_1 = 0.0469$ , $wR_2 = 0.1247$
Final R indexes [all data]	$R_1 = 0.0611$ , $wR_2 = 0.1344$
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å <sup>-3</sup>	0.20/-0.47

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## 6.5. X-Ray Crystallographic Data of Compound 3fa



**Figure S7.** ORTEP drawing of **3fa** (20% ellipsoid probability)

The single crystal of **3fa**, which was used for the determination of its relative configurations via X-ray crystallography (Figure S7), was recrystallized from dichloromethane and methanol. The intensity data were collected on an Agilent SuperNova (Dual, Cu at zero, Eos) diffractometer using graphite-monochromated Cu K $\alpha$  radiation.

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### Crystal data and structure refinement for **3fa**

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CCDC number	2152048
Empirical formula	C <sub>46</sub> H <sub>47</sub> FN <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> S
Formula weight	742.91
Temperature/K	293(2)
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Space group	P-1
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b/ $\text{\AA}$	12.9142(10)
c/ $\text{\AA}$	14.2096(12)
$\alpha/^\circ$	95.174(7)
$\beta/^\circ$	99.059(7)
$\gamma/^\circ$	113.378(8)
Volume/ $\text{\AA}^3$	2005.2(3)
Z	2
$\rho_{\text{calc}}/\text{g}/\text{cm}^3$	1.230
$\mu/\text{mm}^{-1}$	1.117
F(000)	788.0
Crystal size/mm <sup>3</sup>	0.15 × 0.12 × 0.09
Radiation	Cu K $\alpha$ ( $\lambda = 1.54184$ )
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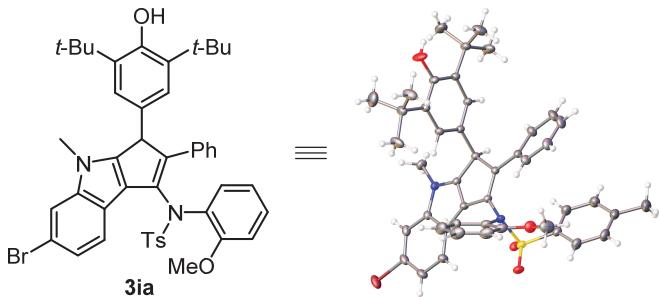
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Reflections collected	12108
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Goodness-of-fit on $F^2$	1.027
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Final R indexes [all data]	$R_1 = 0.0570$ , $wR_2 = 0.1348$
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å <sup>-3</sup>	0.21/-0.37

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## 6.6. X-Ray Crystallographic Data of Compound 3ia



**Figure S8.** ORTEP drawing of **3ia** (20% ellipsoid probability)

The single crystal of **3ia**, which was used for the determination of its relative configurations via X-ray crystallography (Figure S8), was recrystallized from dichloromethane and methanol. The intensity data were collected on a Rigaku XtaLAB Synergy R (DW system, HyPix) diffractometer using graphite-monochromated Cu K $\alpha$  radiation.

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### Crystal data and structure refinement for **3ia**

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CCDC number	2152049
Empirical formula	C <sub>46</sub> H <sub>47</sub> BrN <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> S
Formula weight	803.82
Temperature/K	303.78(10)
Crystal system	monoclinic
Space group	P2 <sub>1</sub> /c
a/Å	10.55960(10)
b/Å	12.86910(10)
c/Å	30.3703(3)
α/°	90
β/°	96.1700(10)
γ/°	90
Volume/Å <sup>3</sup>	4103.19(7)
Z	4
ρ <sub>calcd</sub> /cm <sup>3</sup>	1.301
μ/mm <sup>-1</sup>	2.193
F(000)	1680.0
Crystal size/mm <sup>3</sup>	0.18 × 0.15 × 0.12
Radiation	Cu K $\alpha$ ( $\lambda$ = 1.54184)
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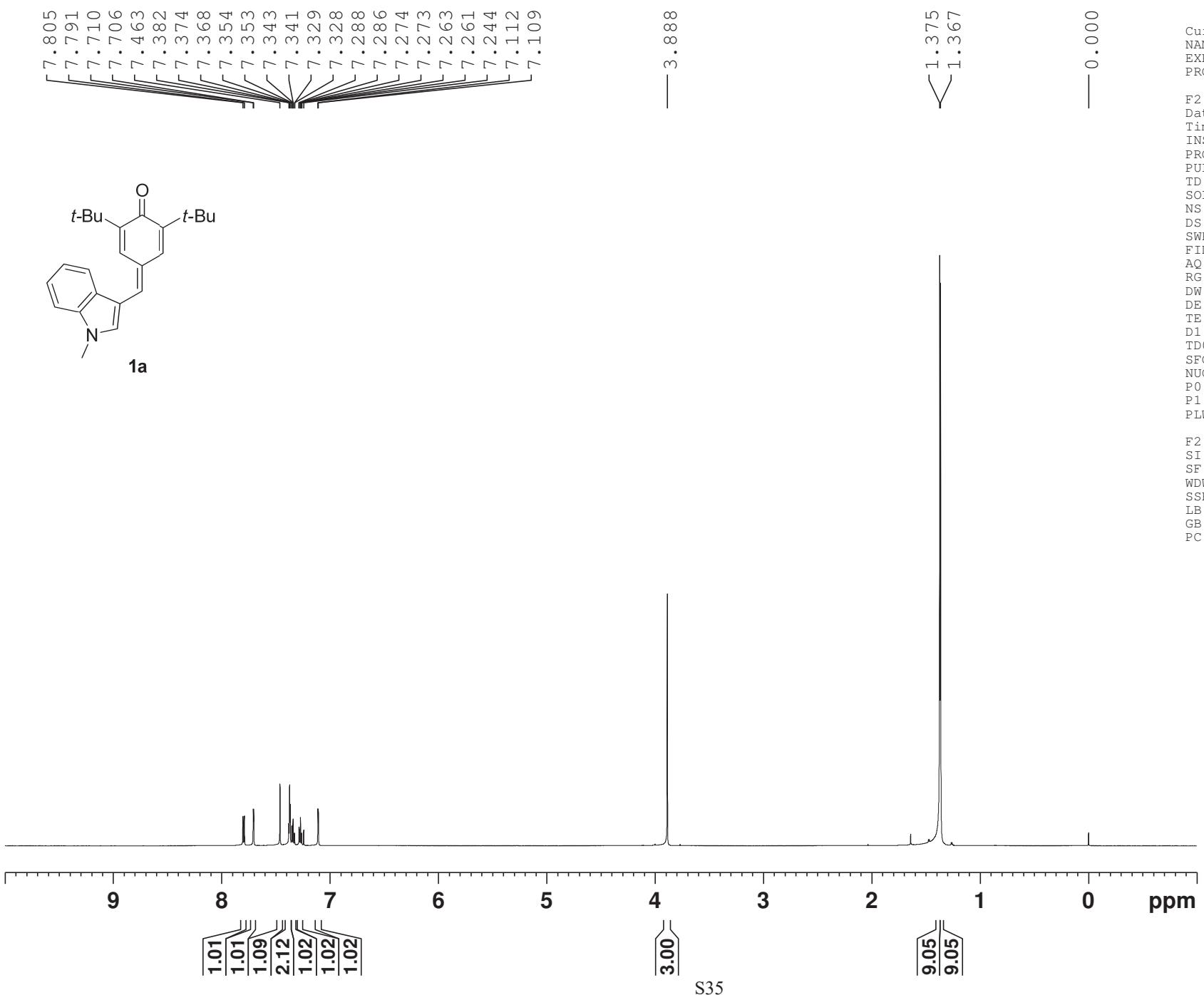
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Final R indexes [ $I \geq 2\sigma(I)$ ]	$R_1 = 0.0470$ , $wR_2 = 0.1260$
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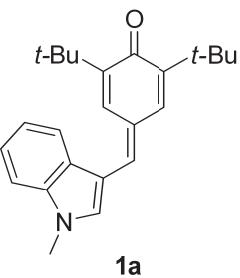
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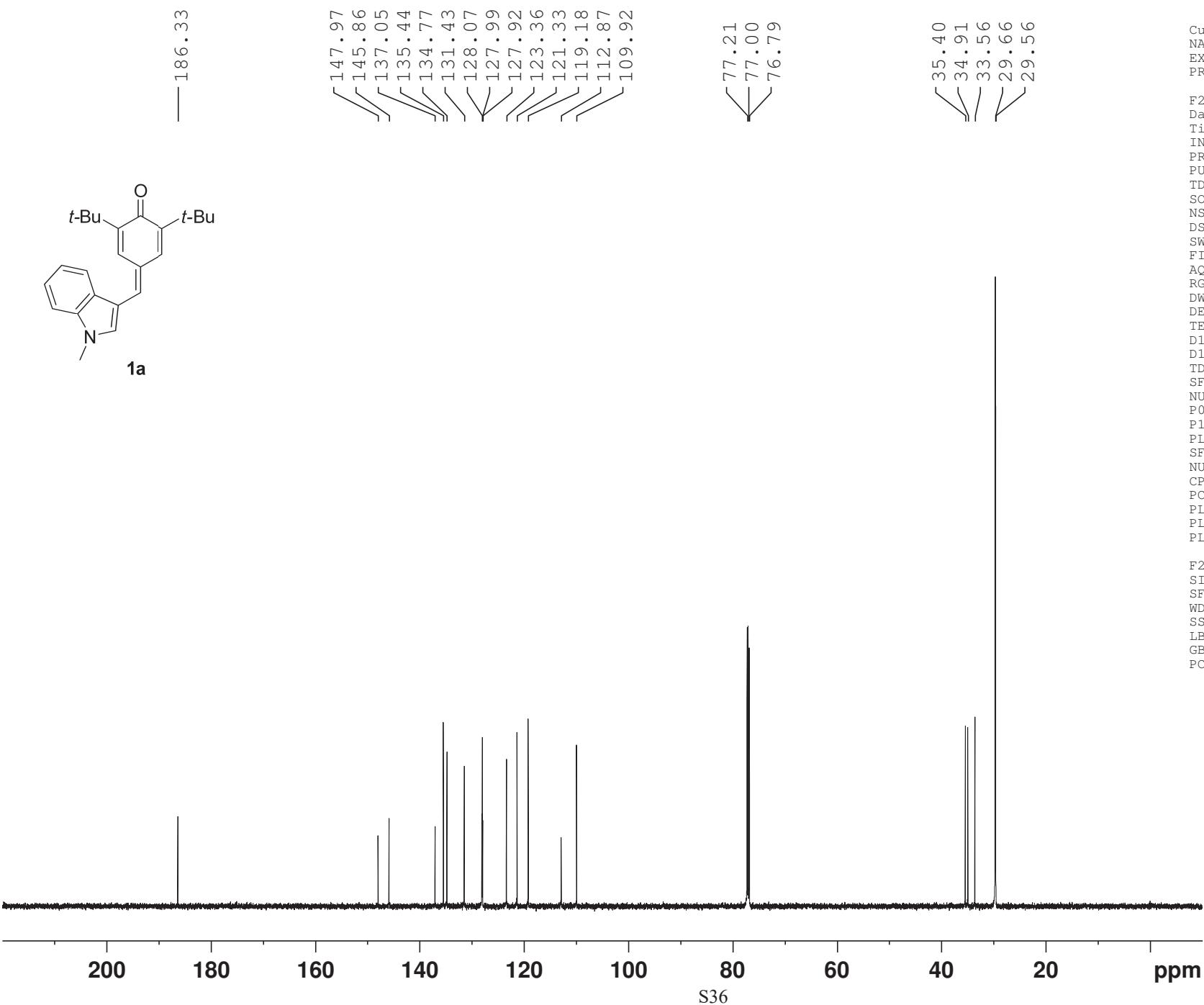
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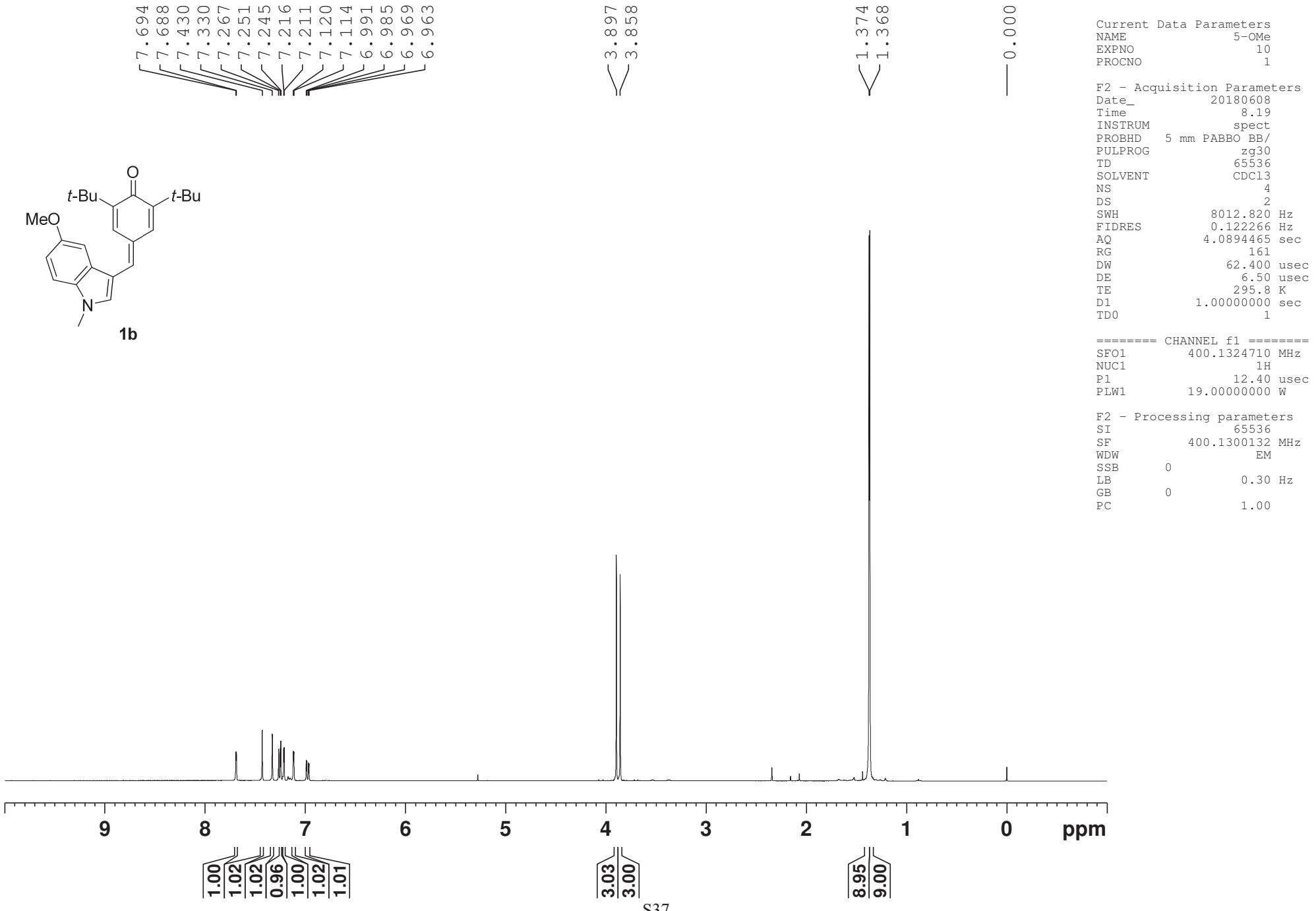
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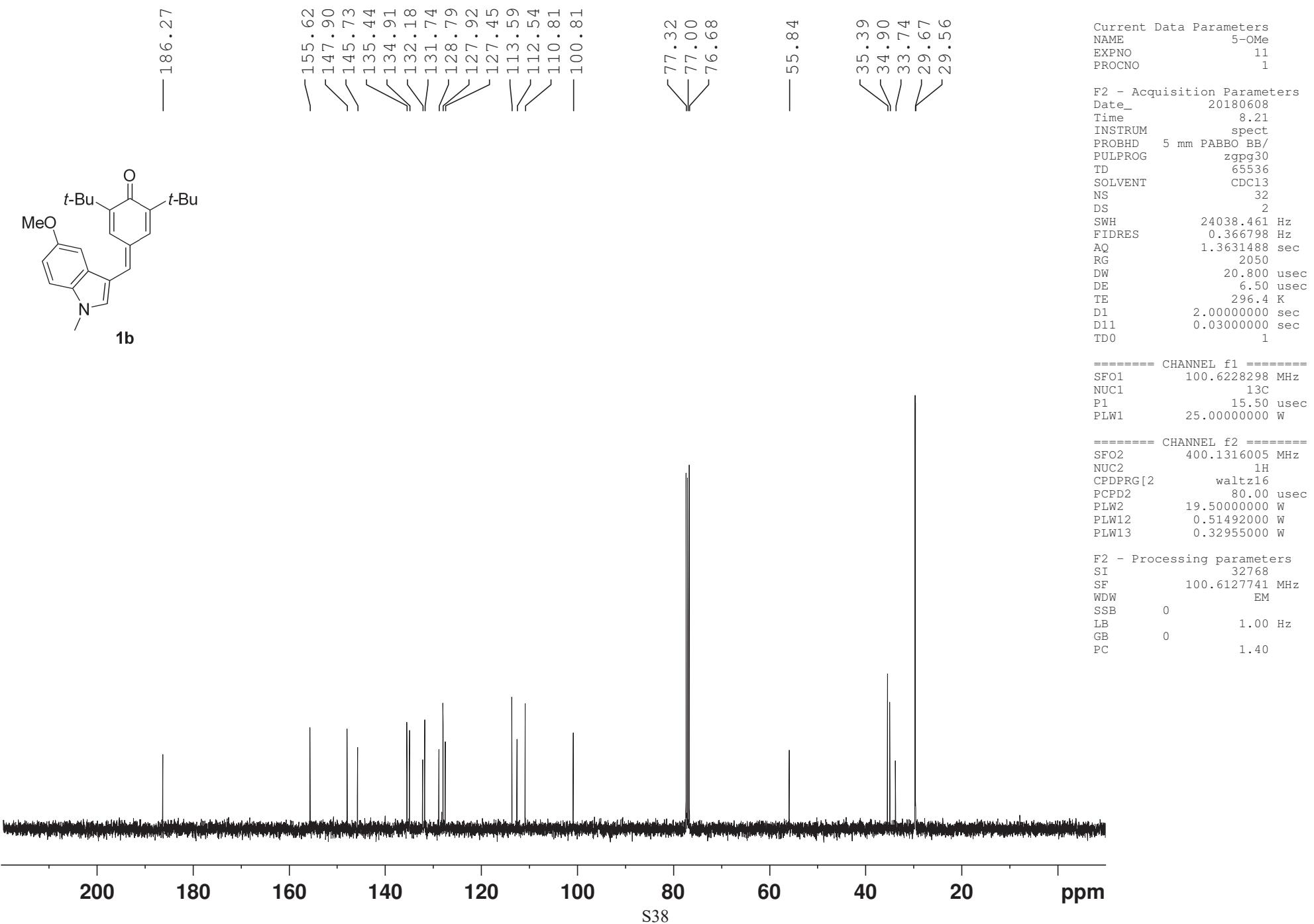


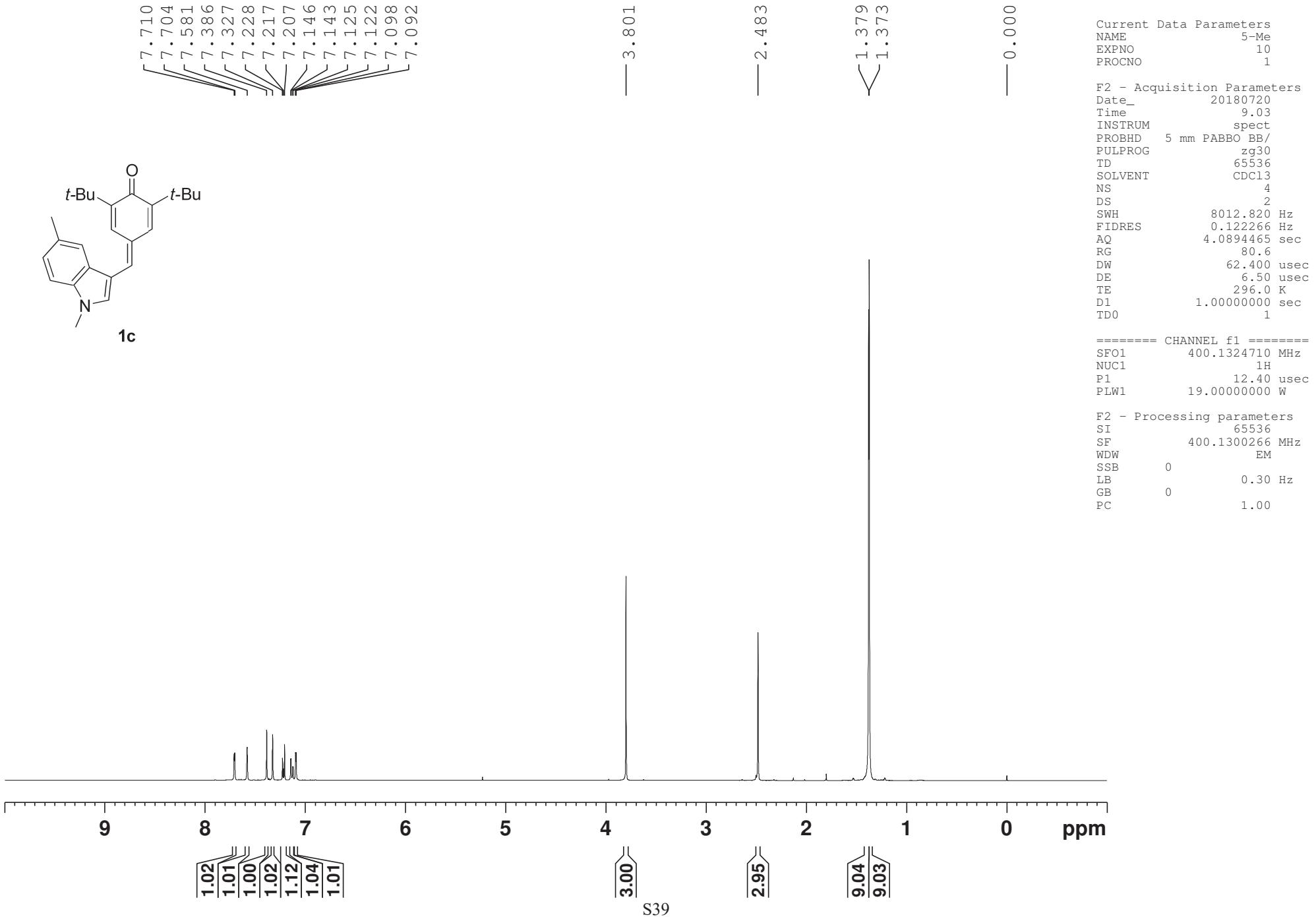
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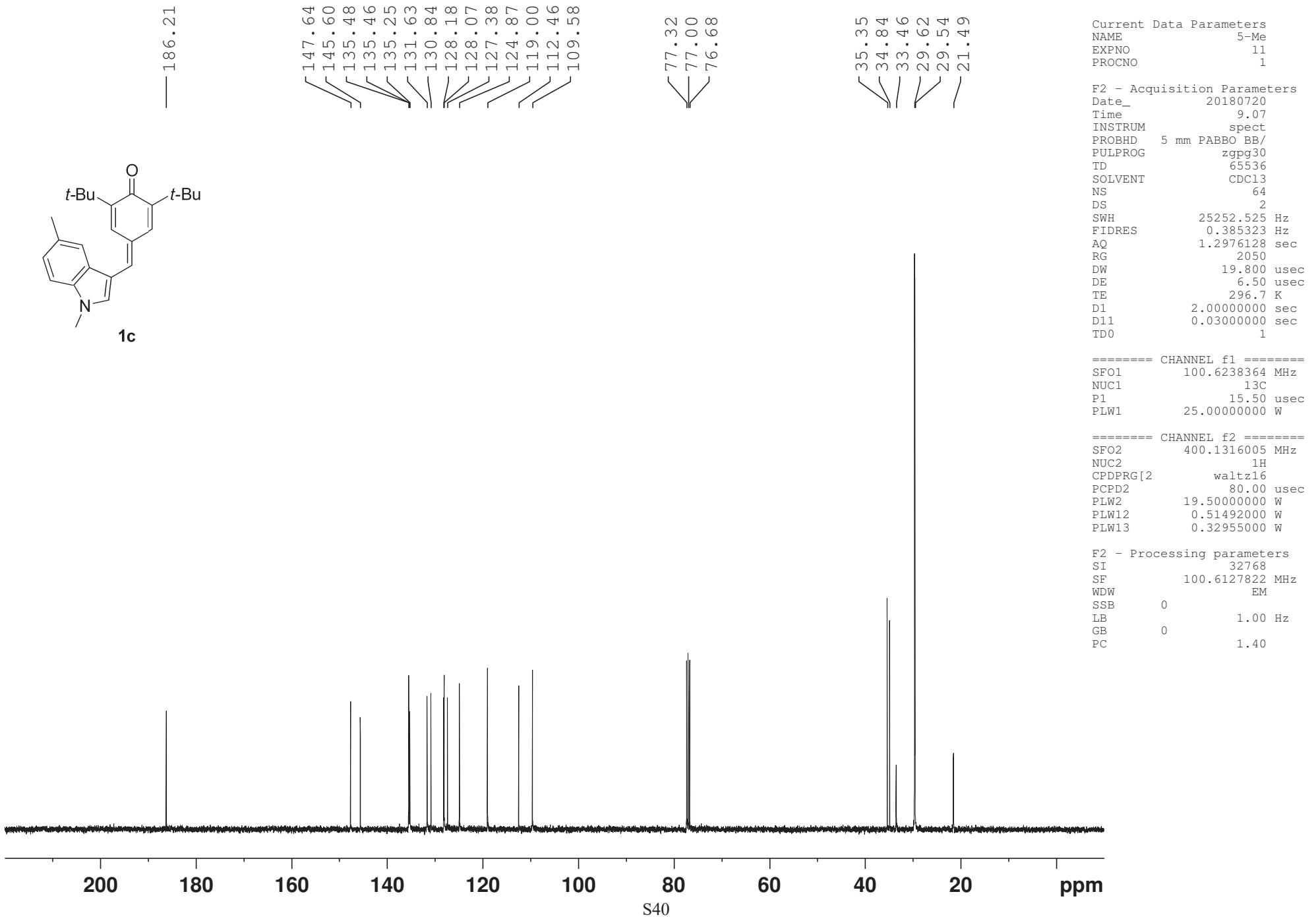
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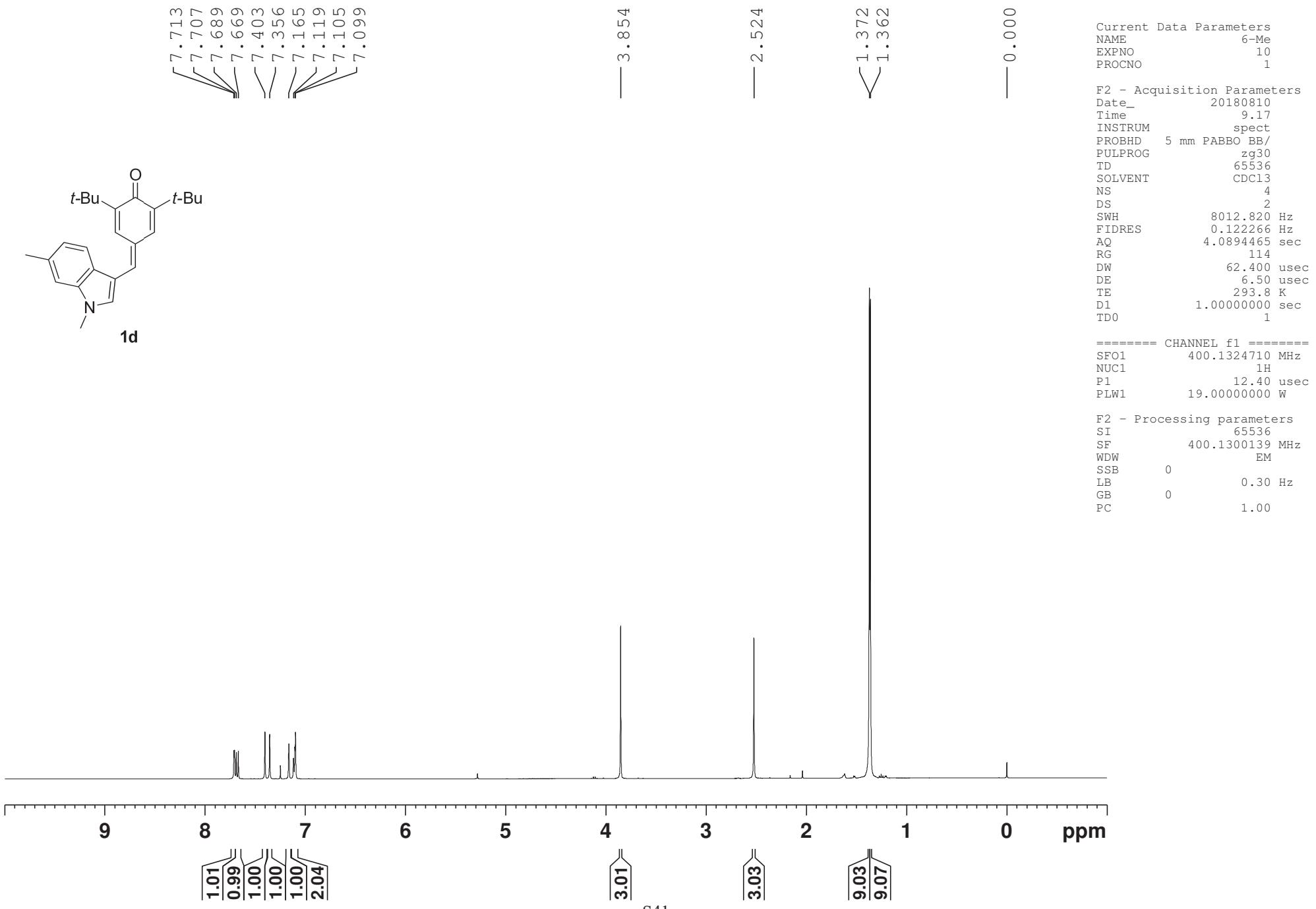
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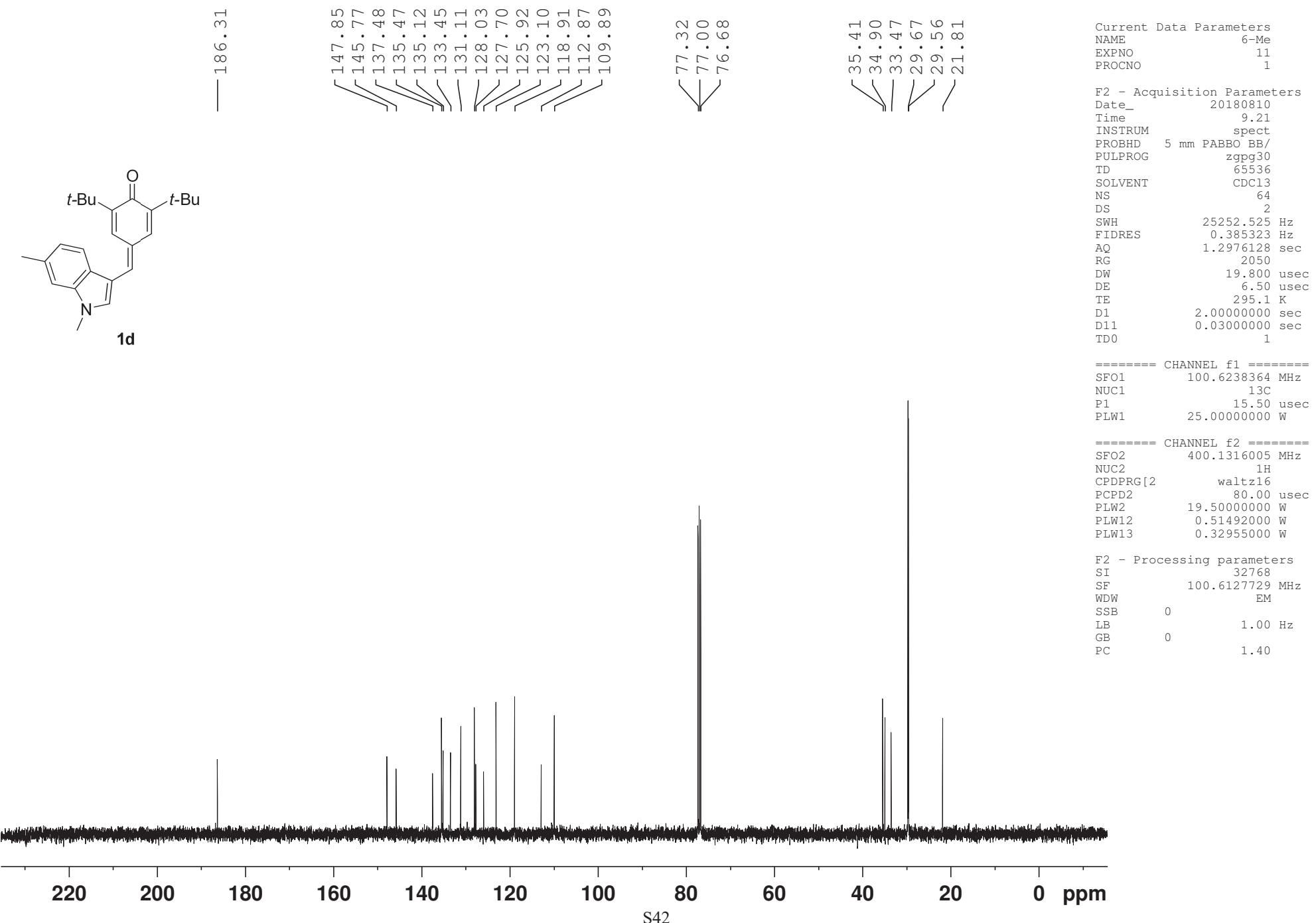


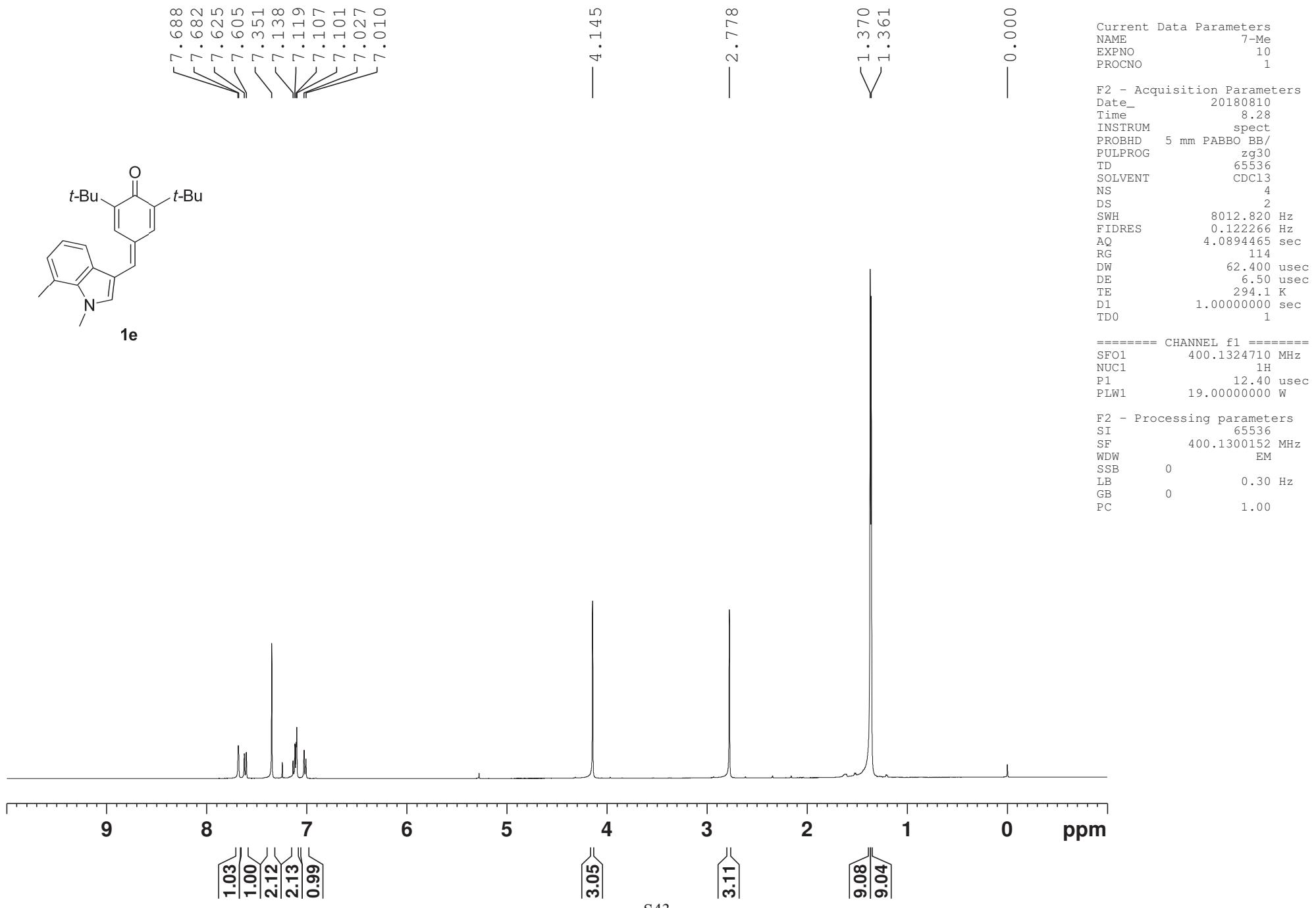


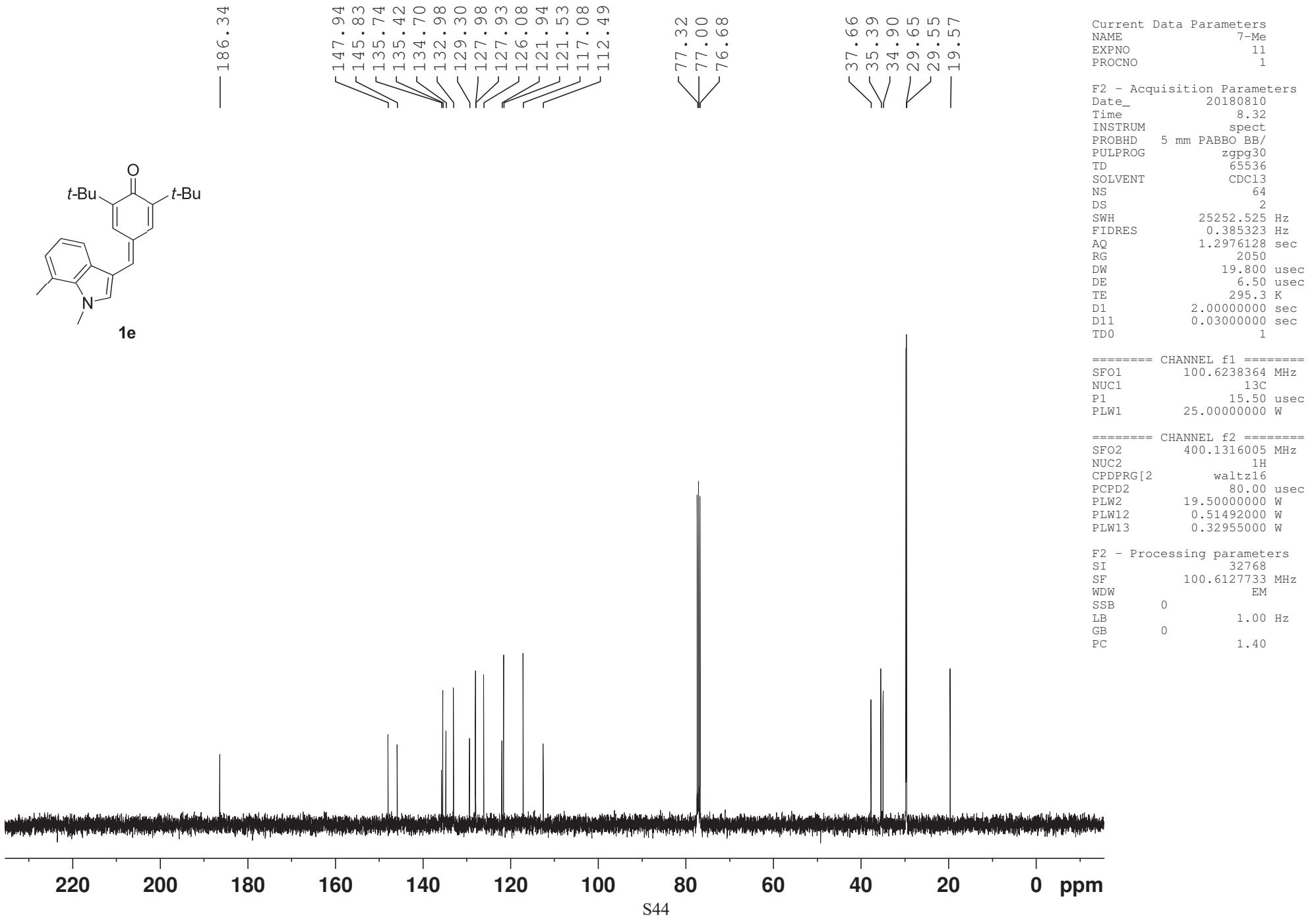


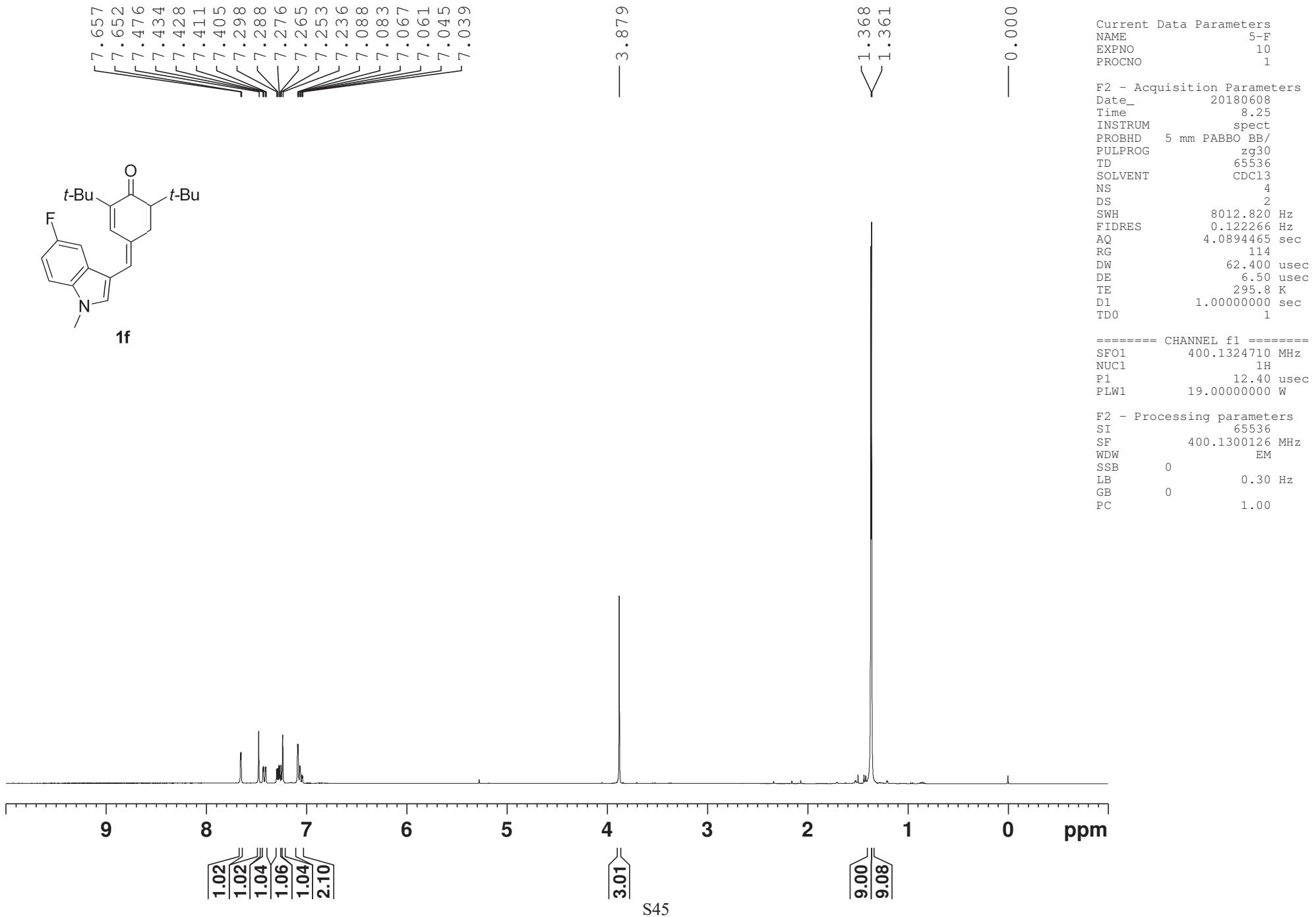


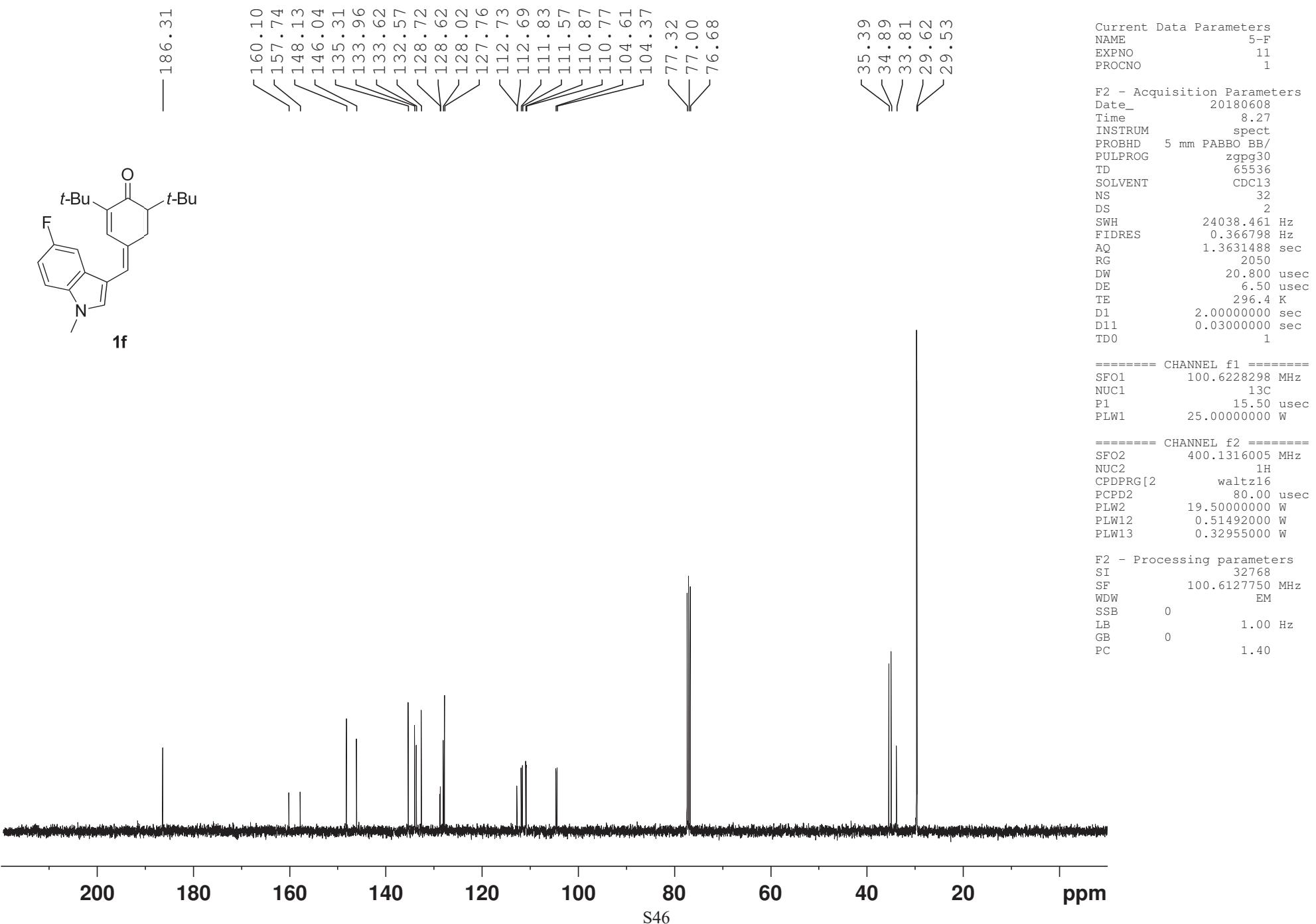


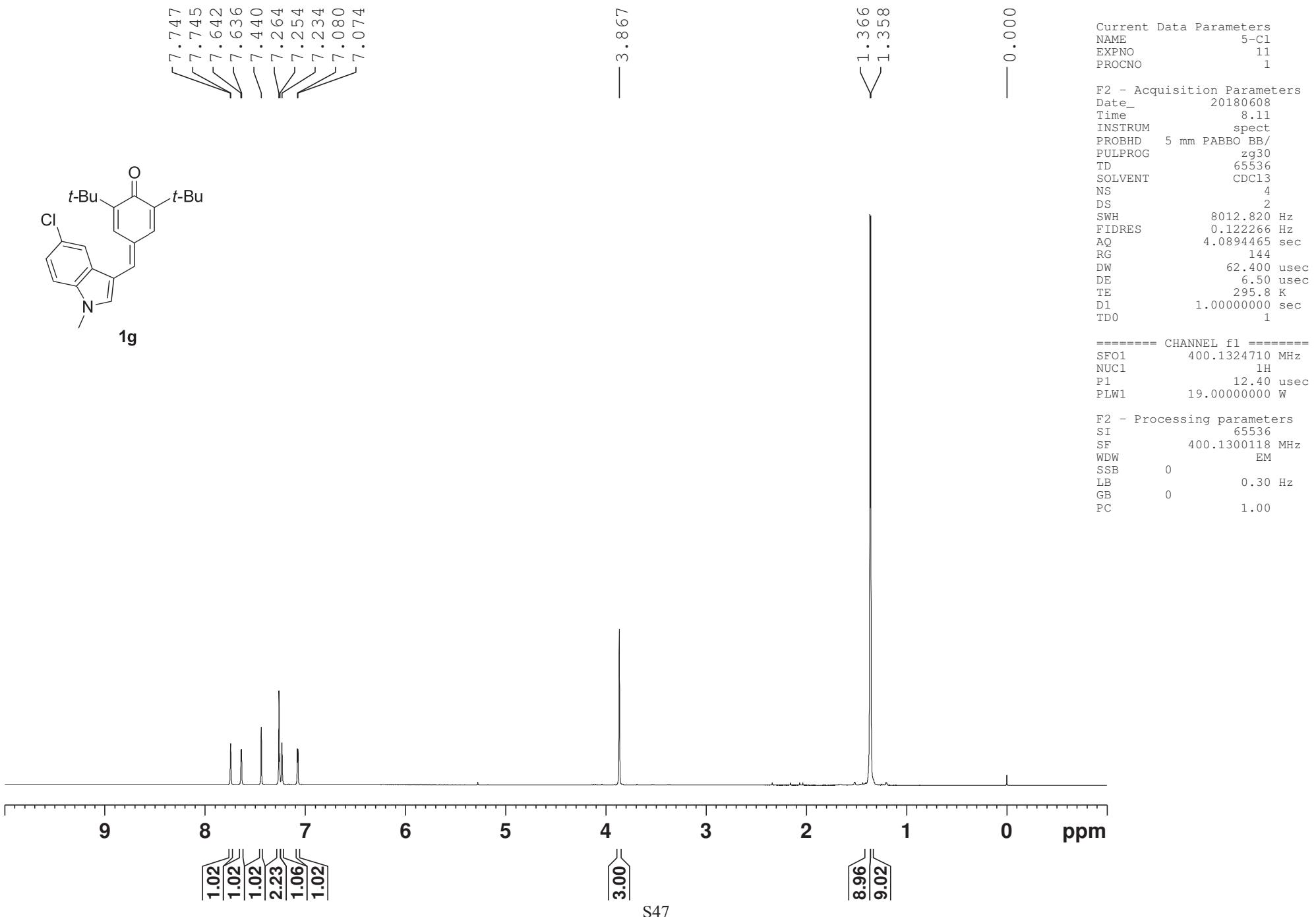


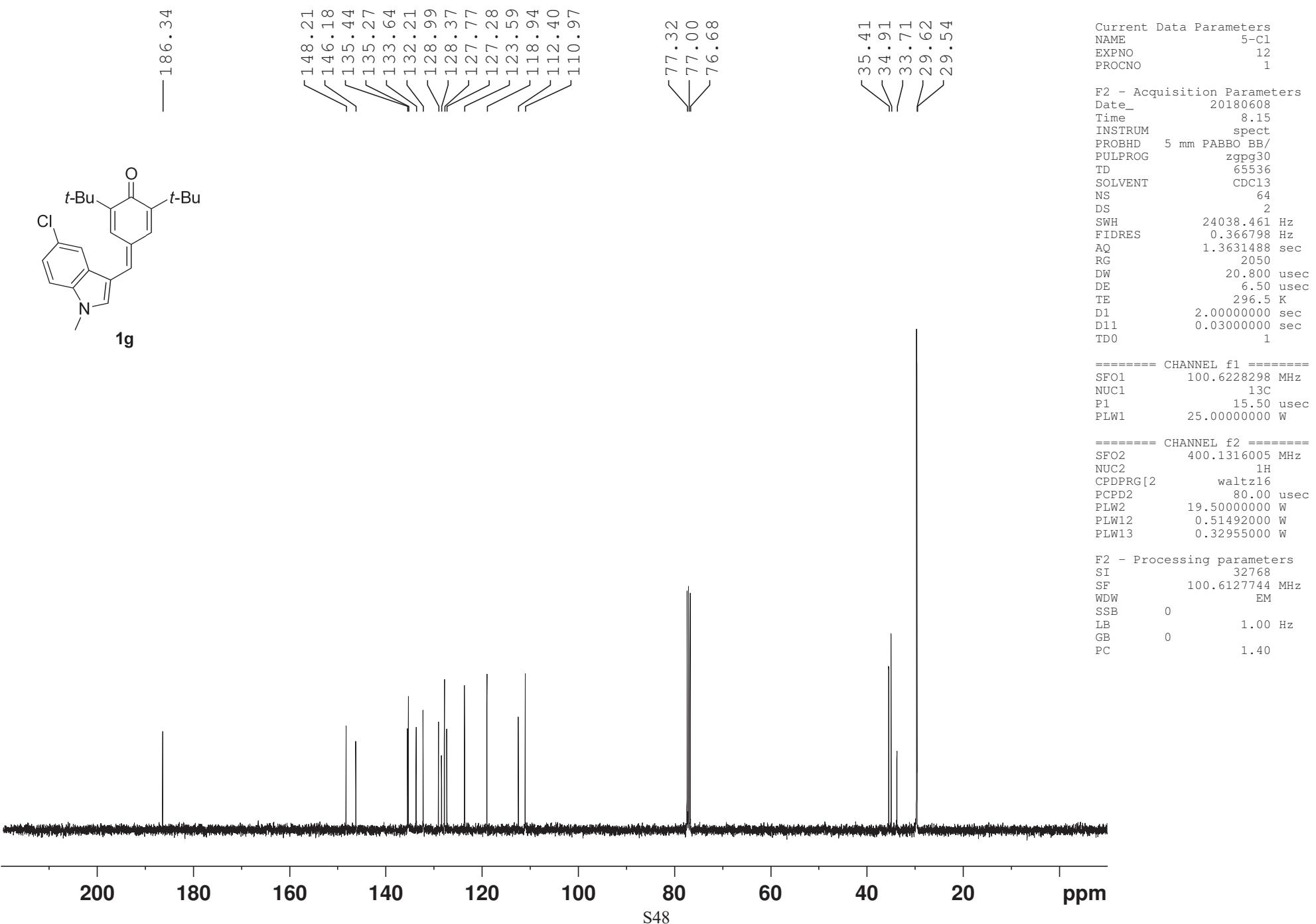


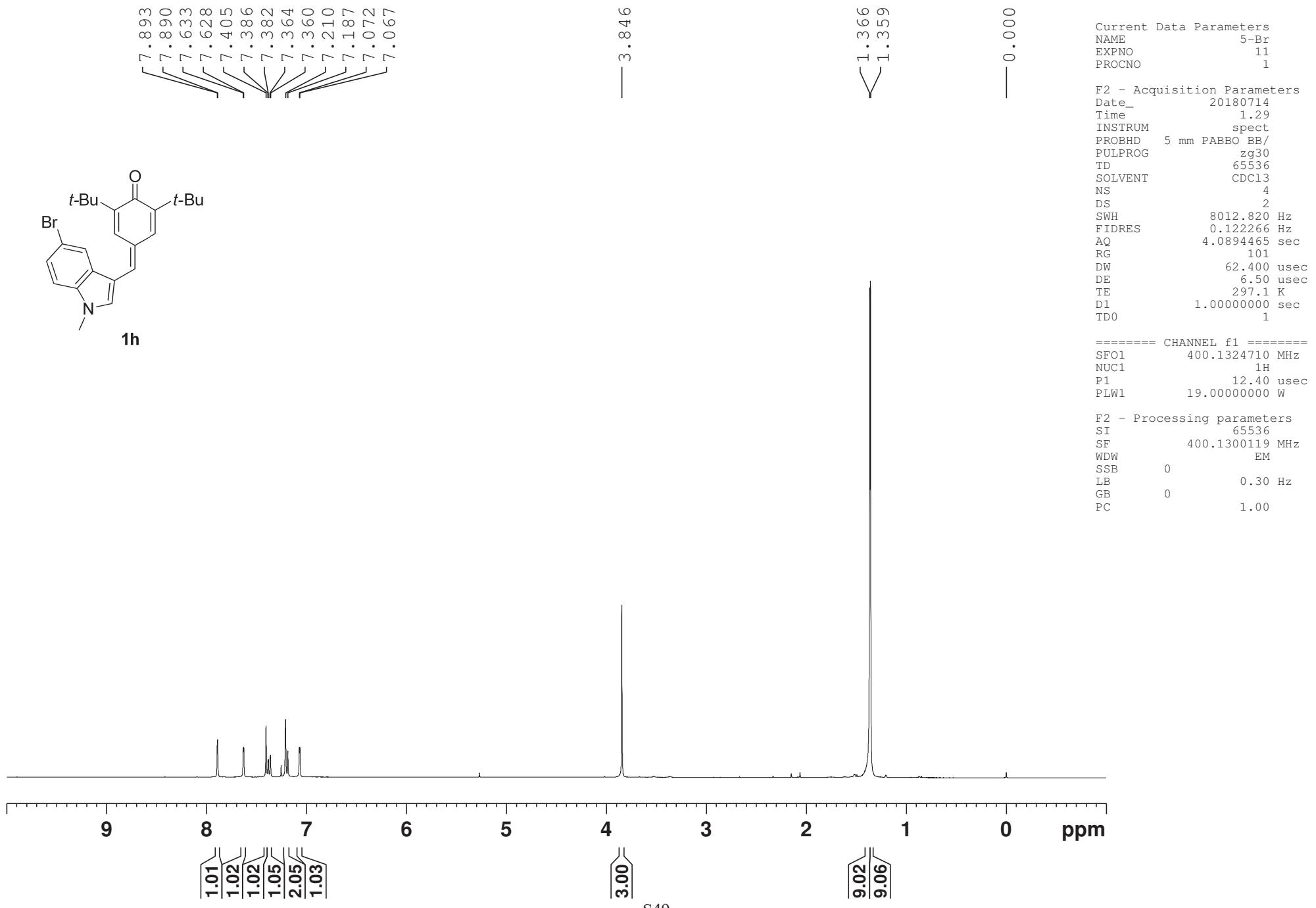


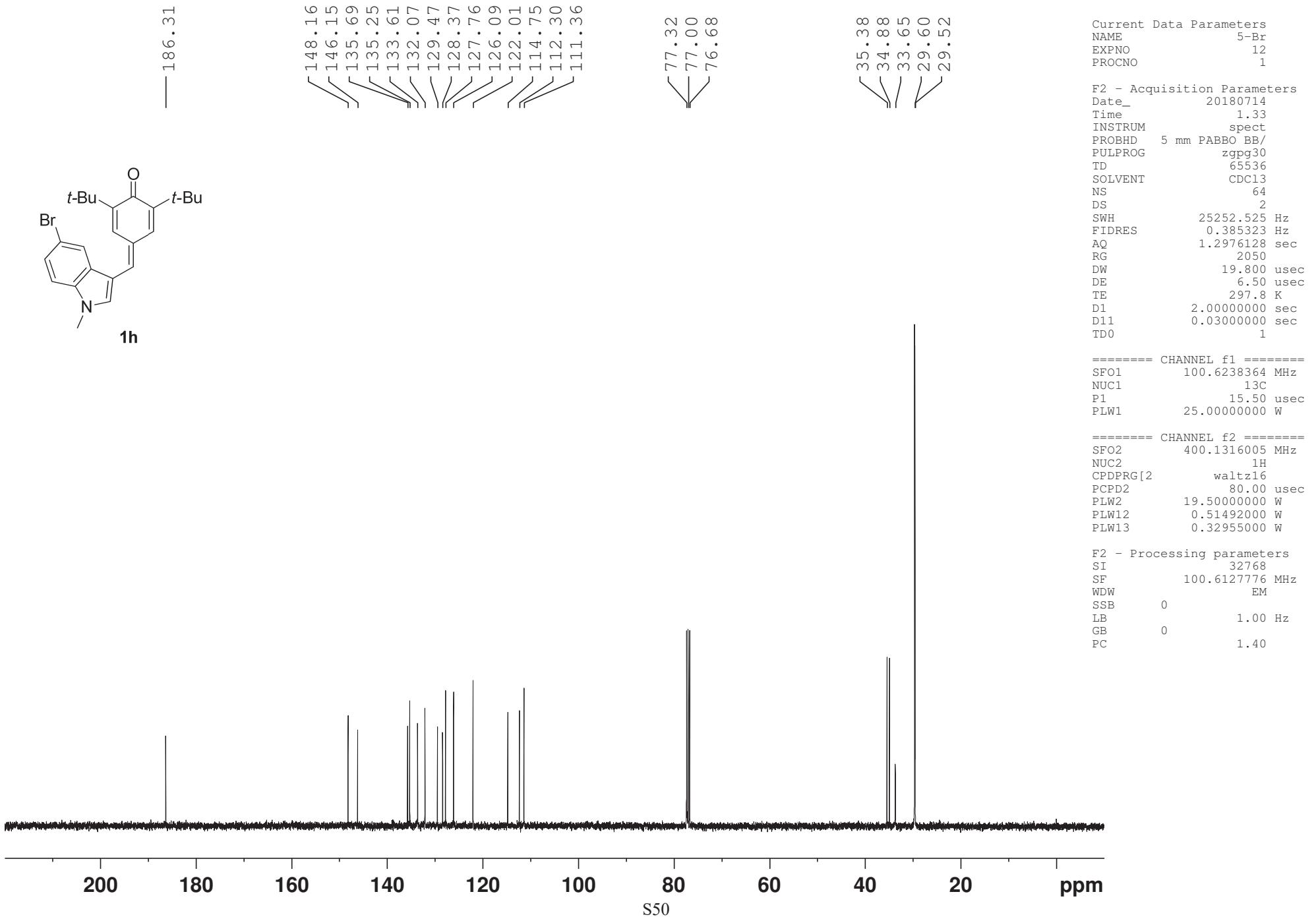


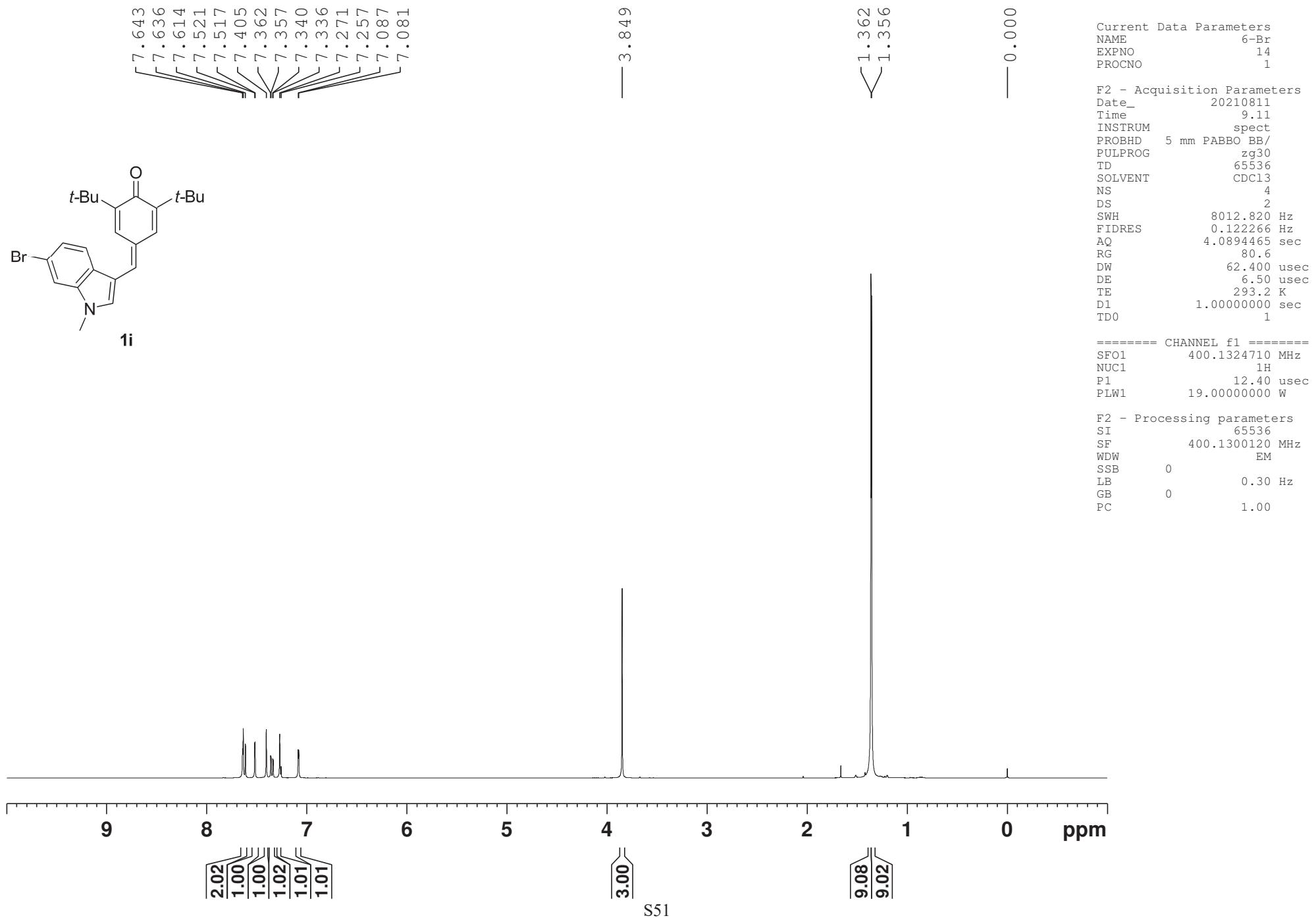


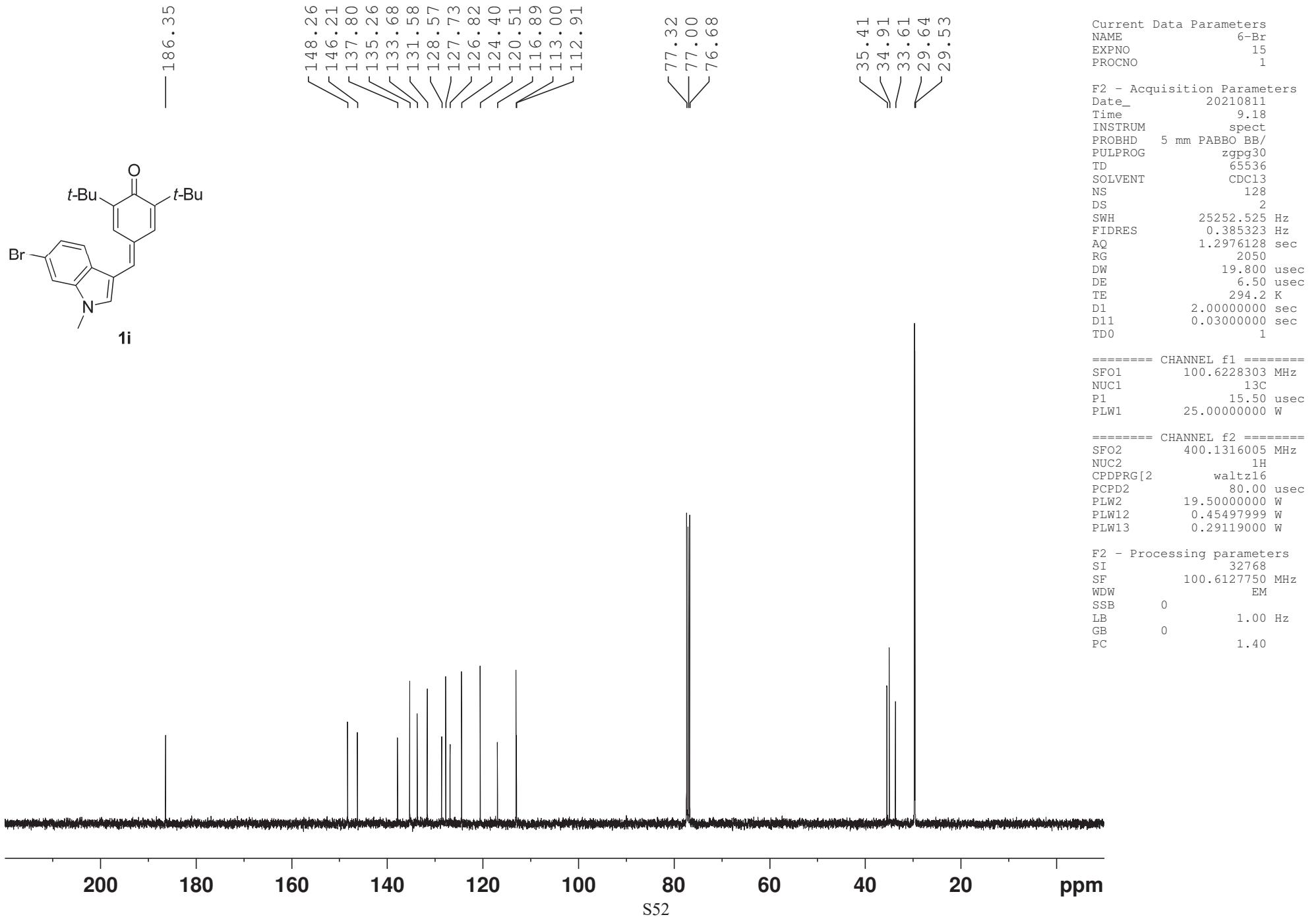


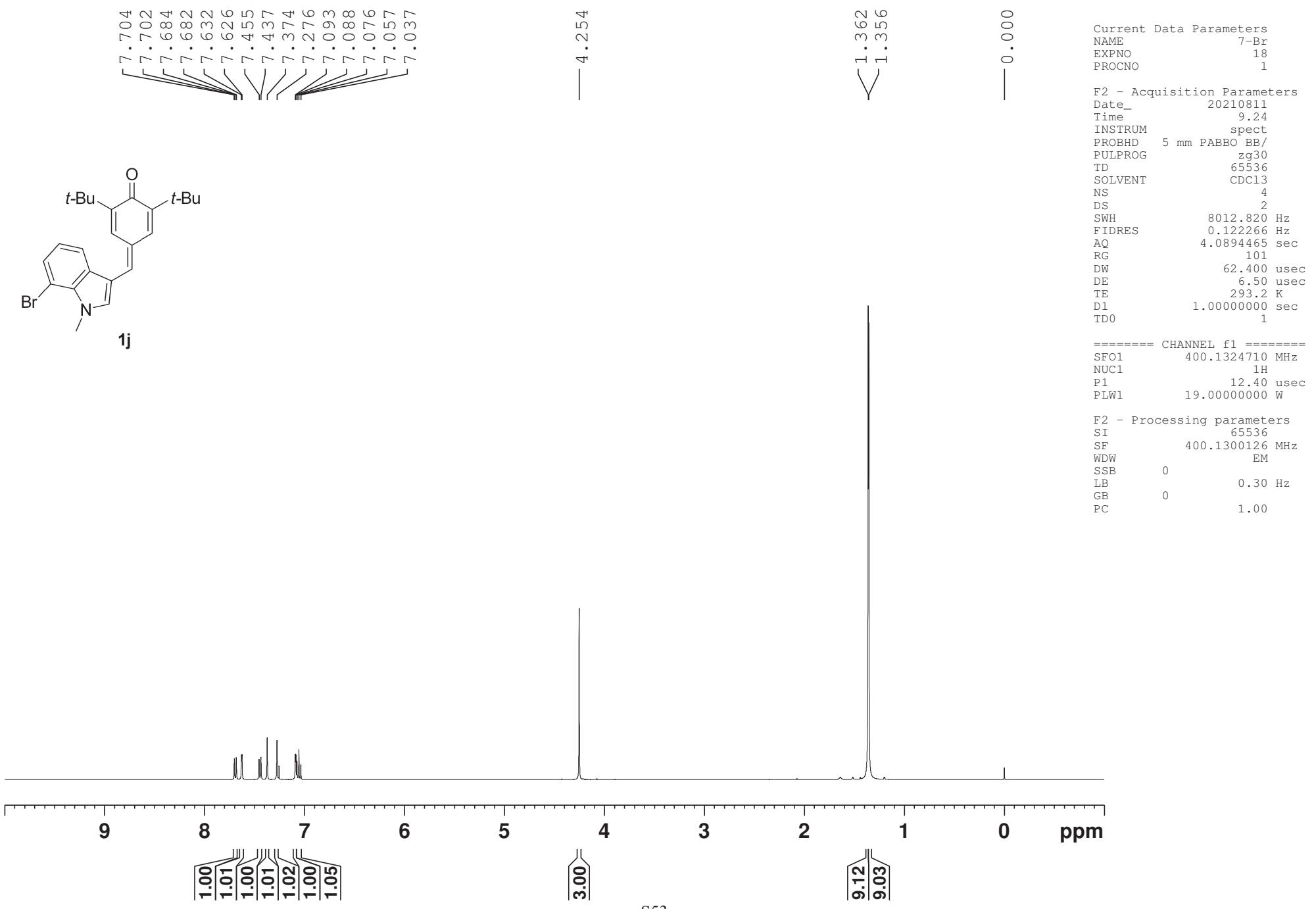


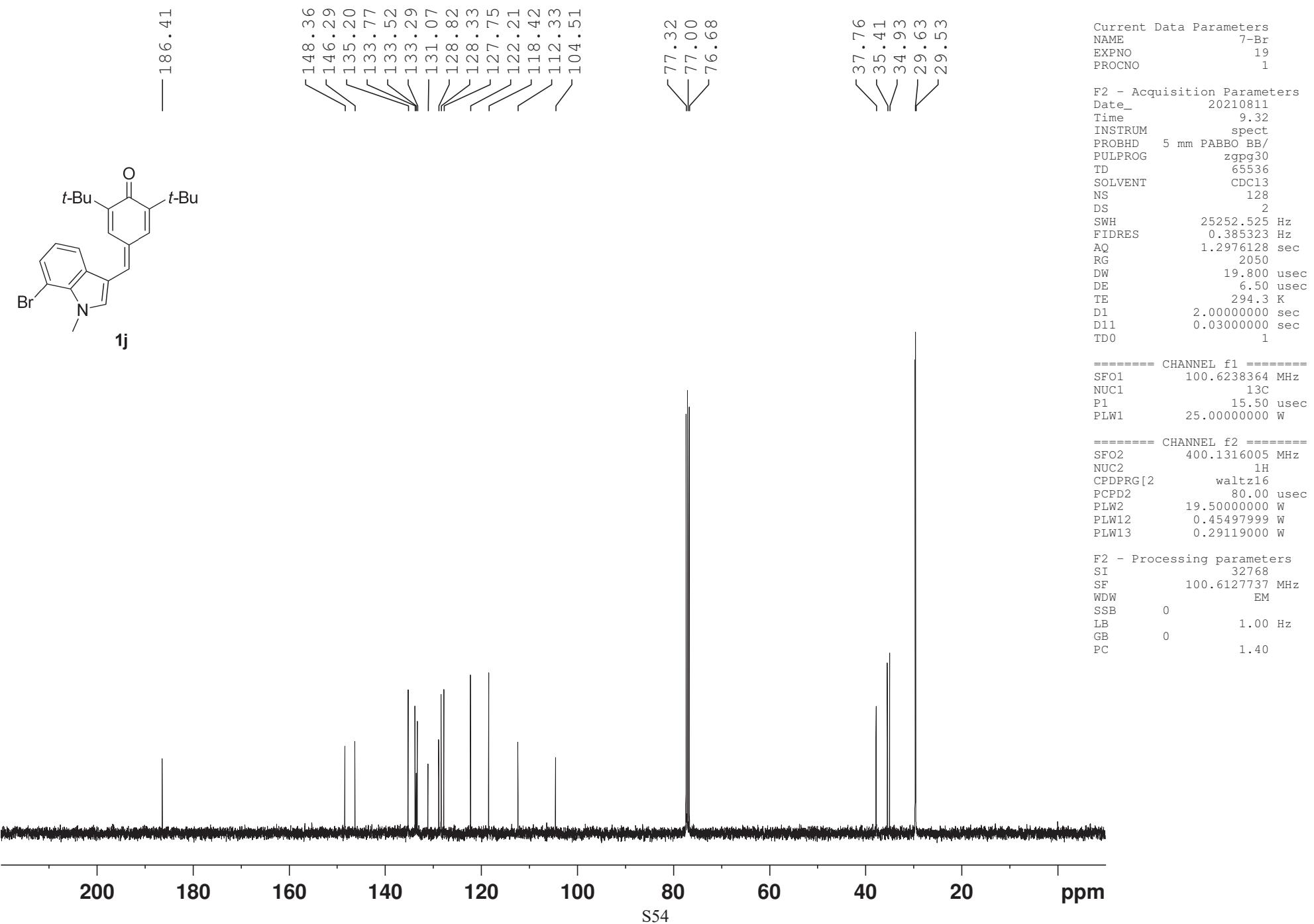


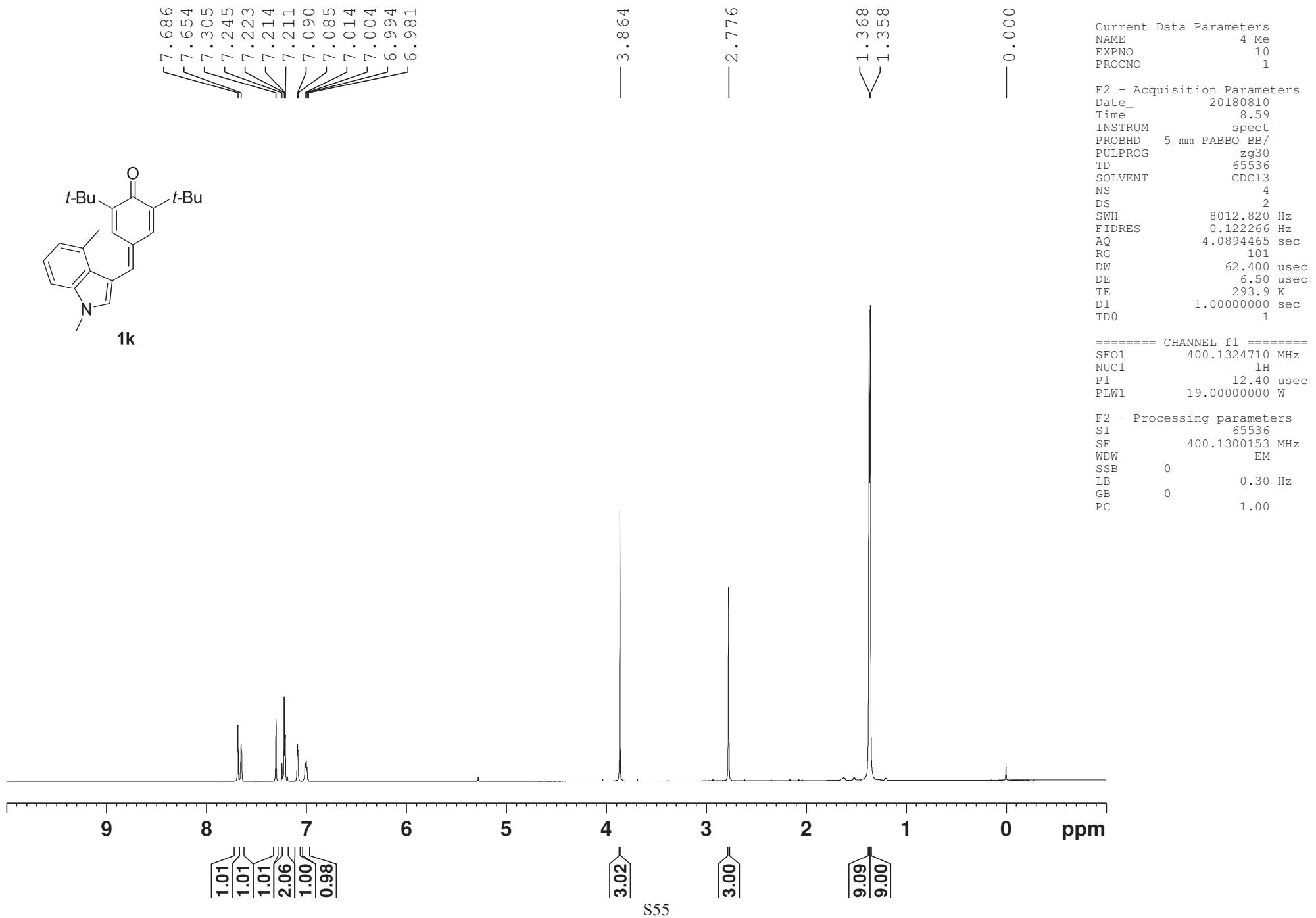


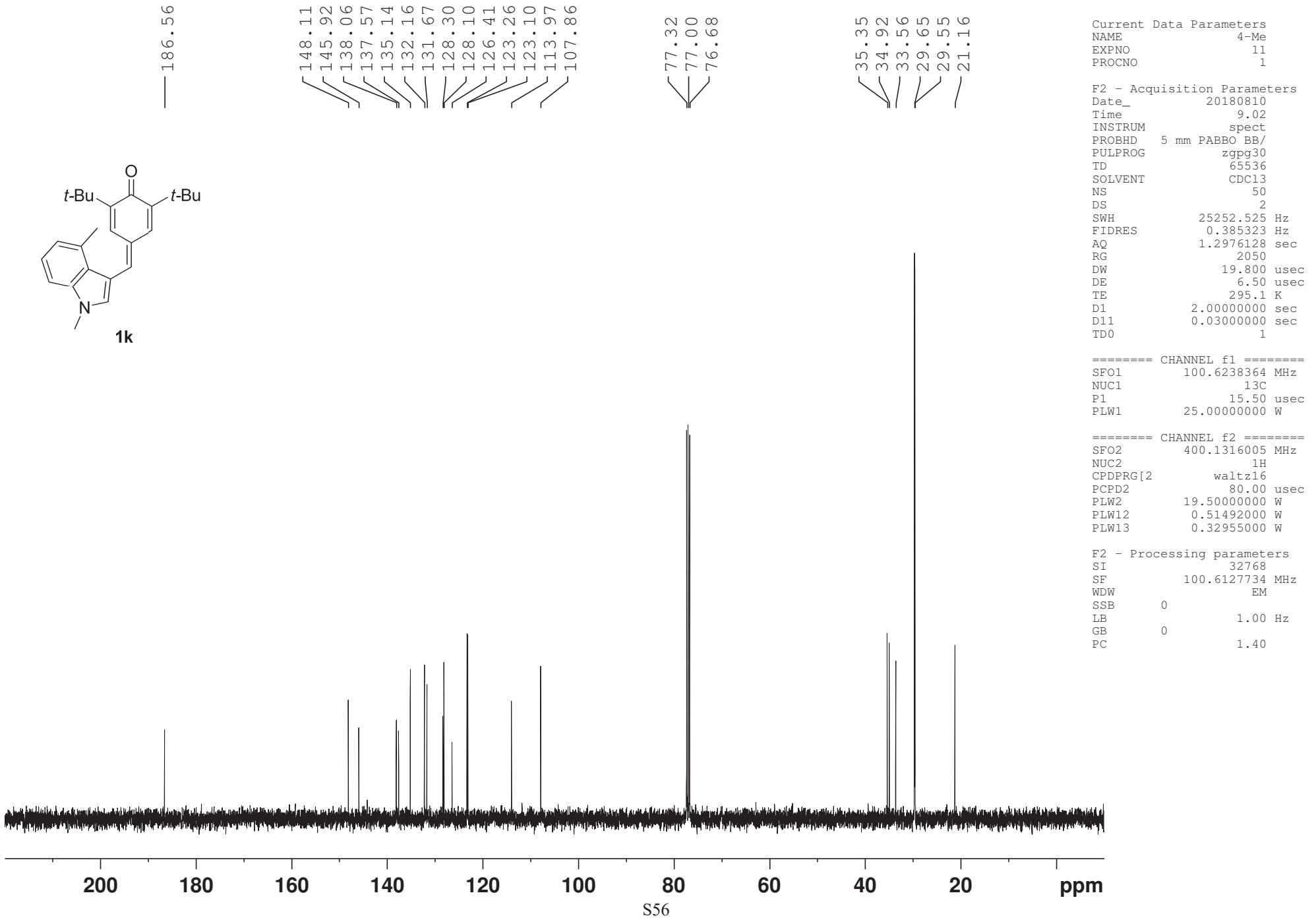


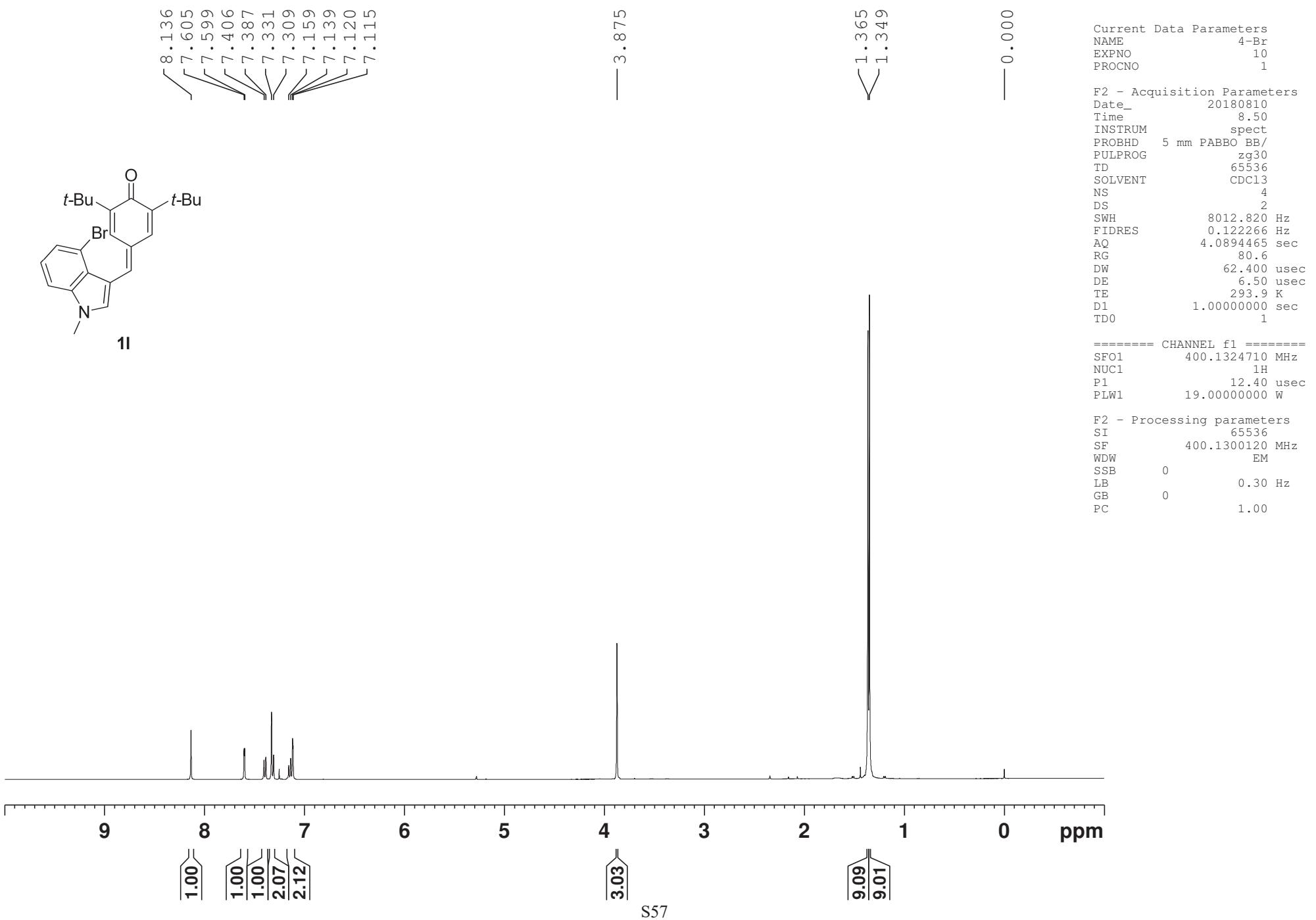


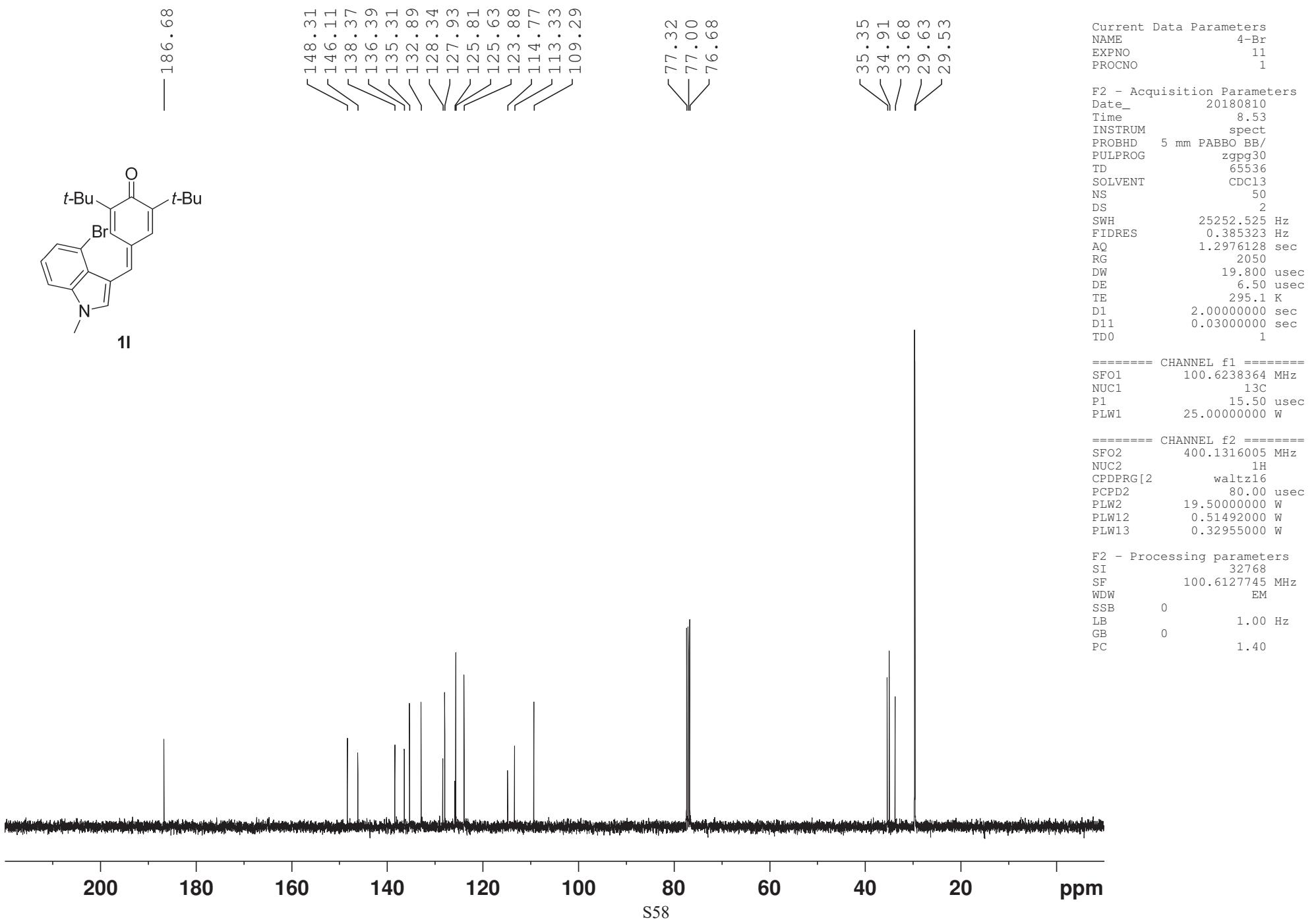


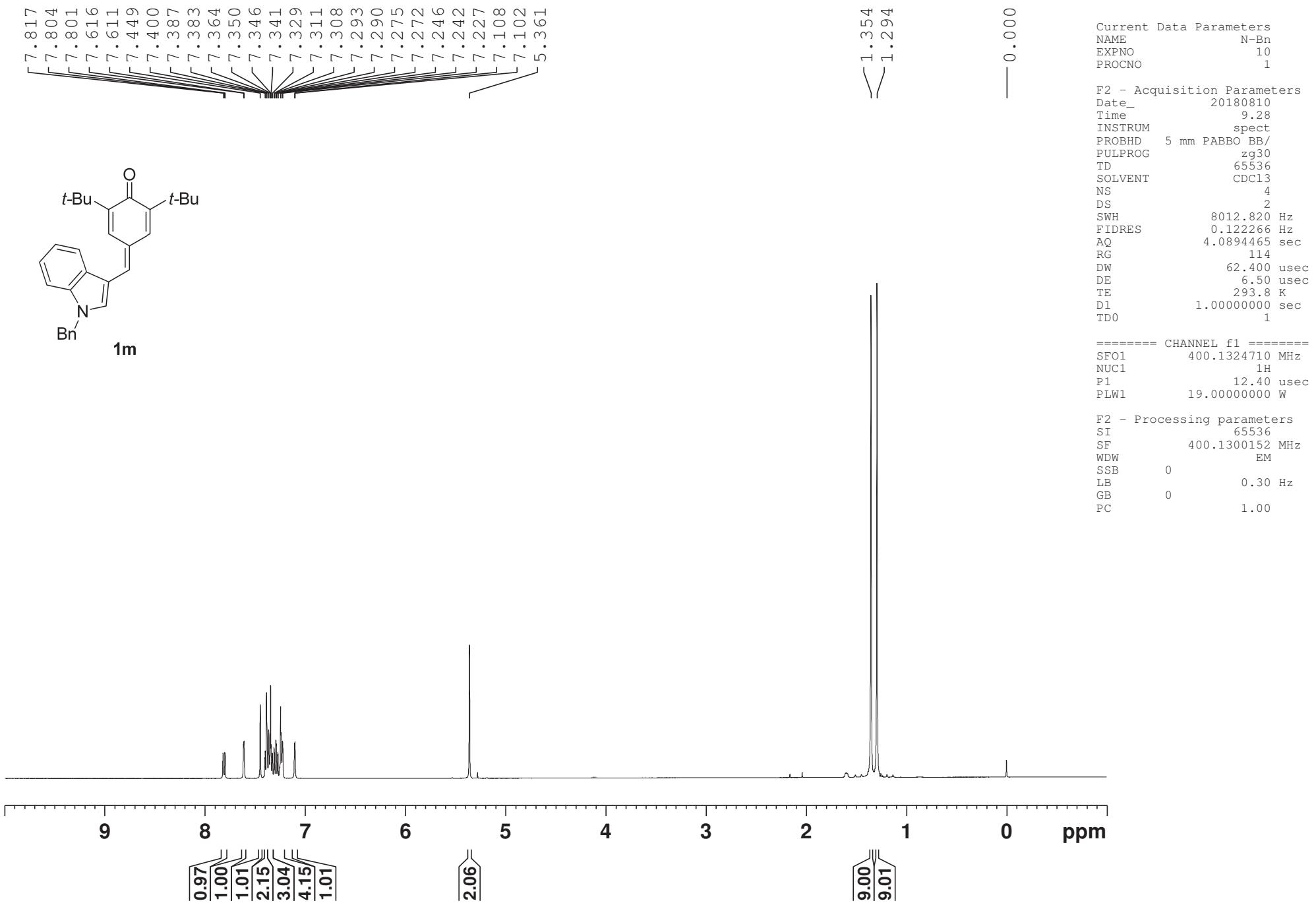


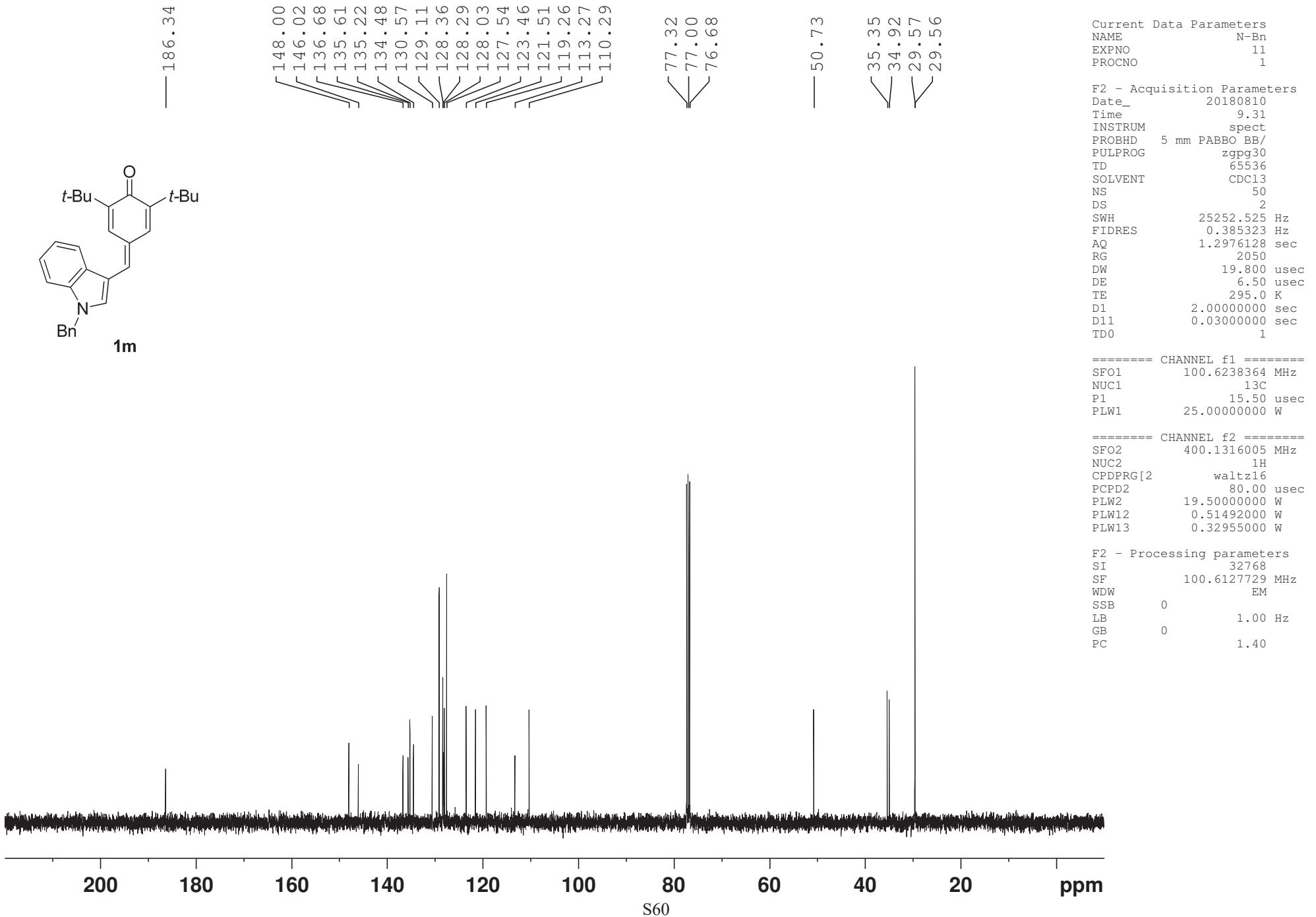


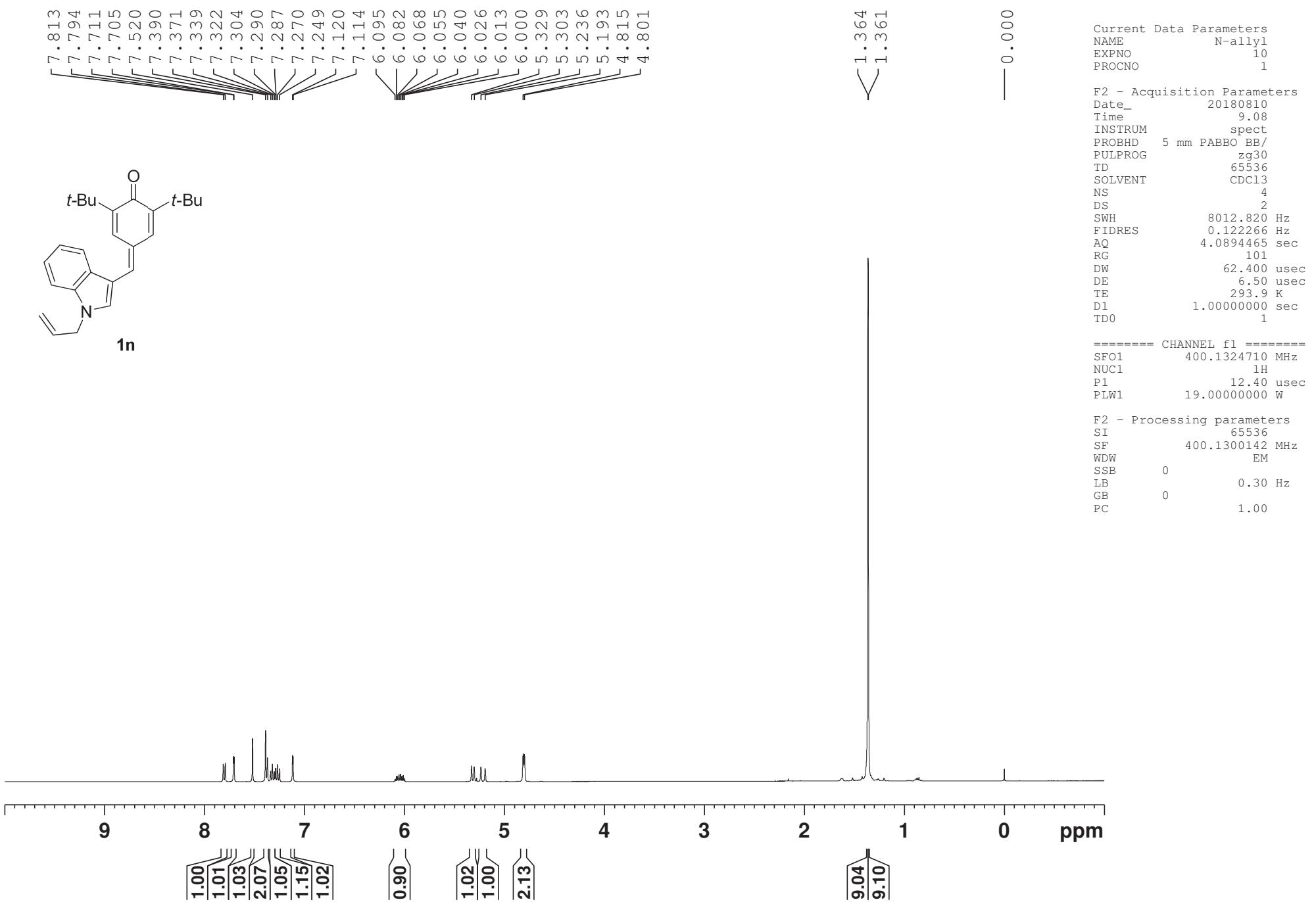


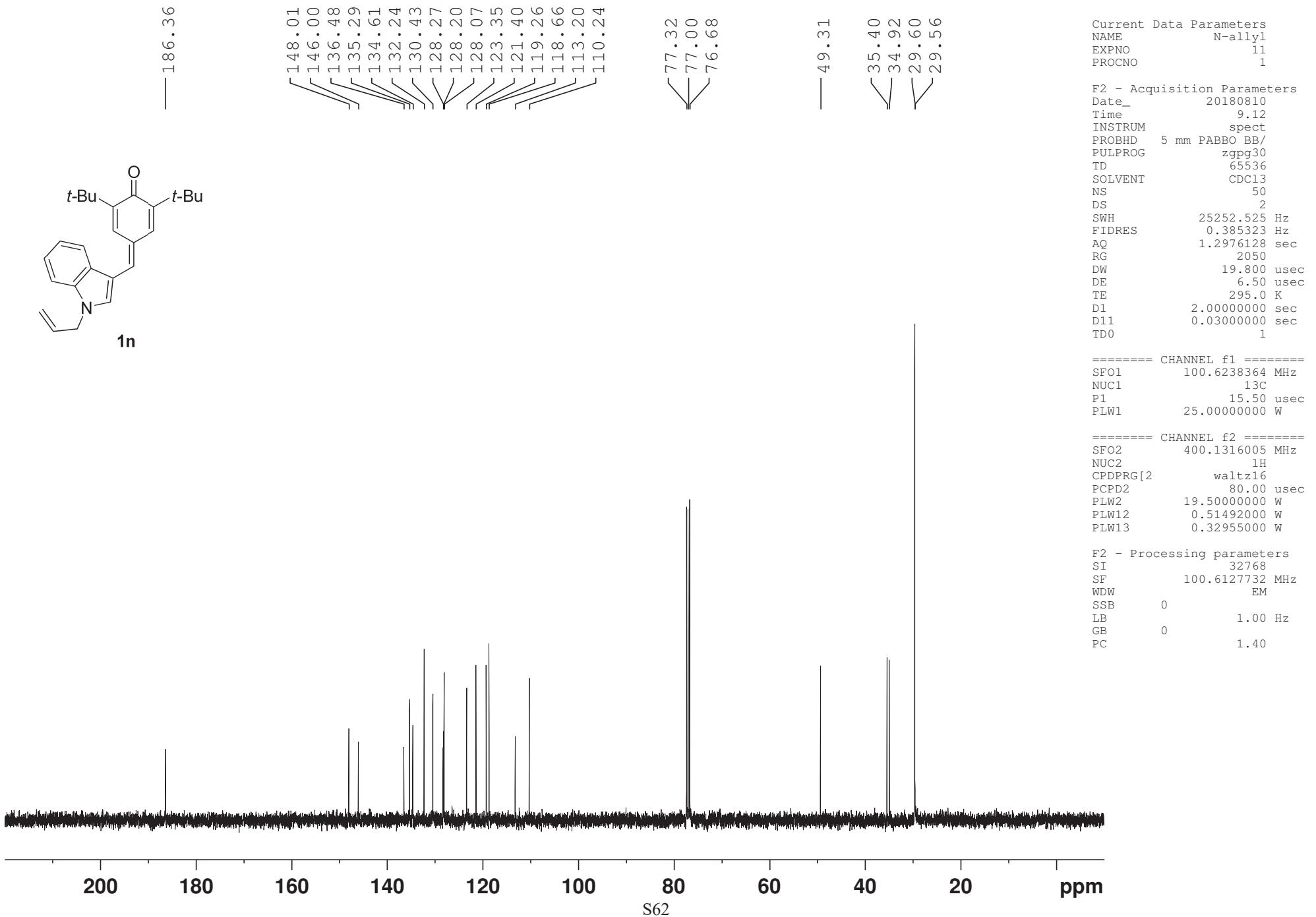


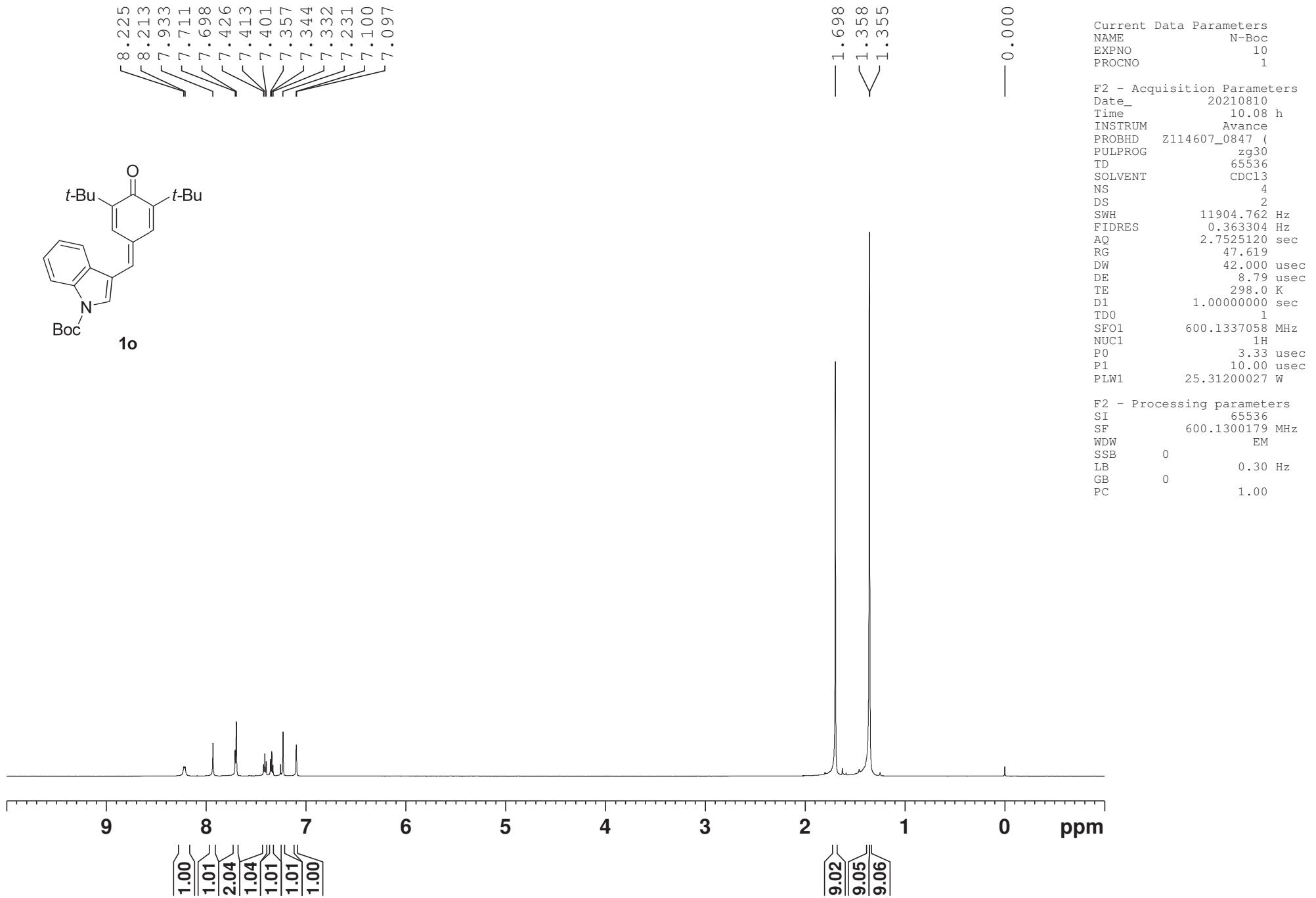


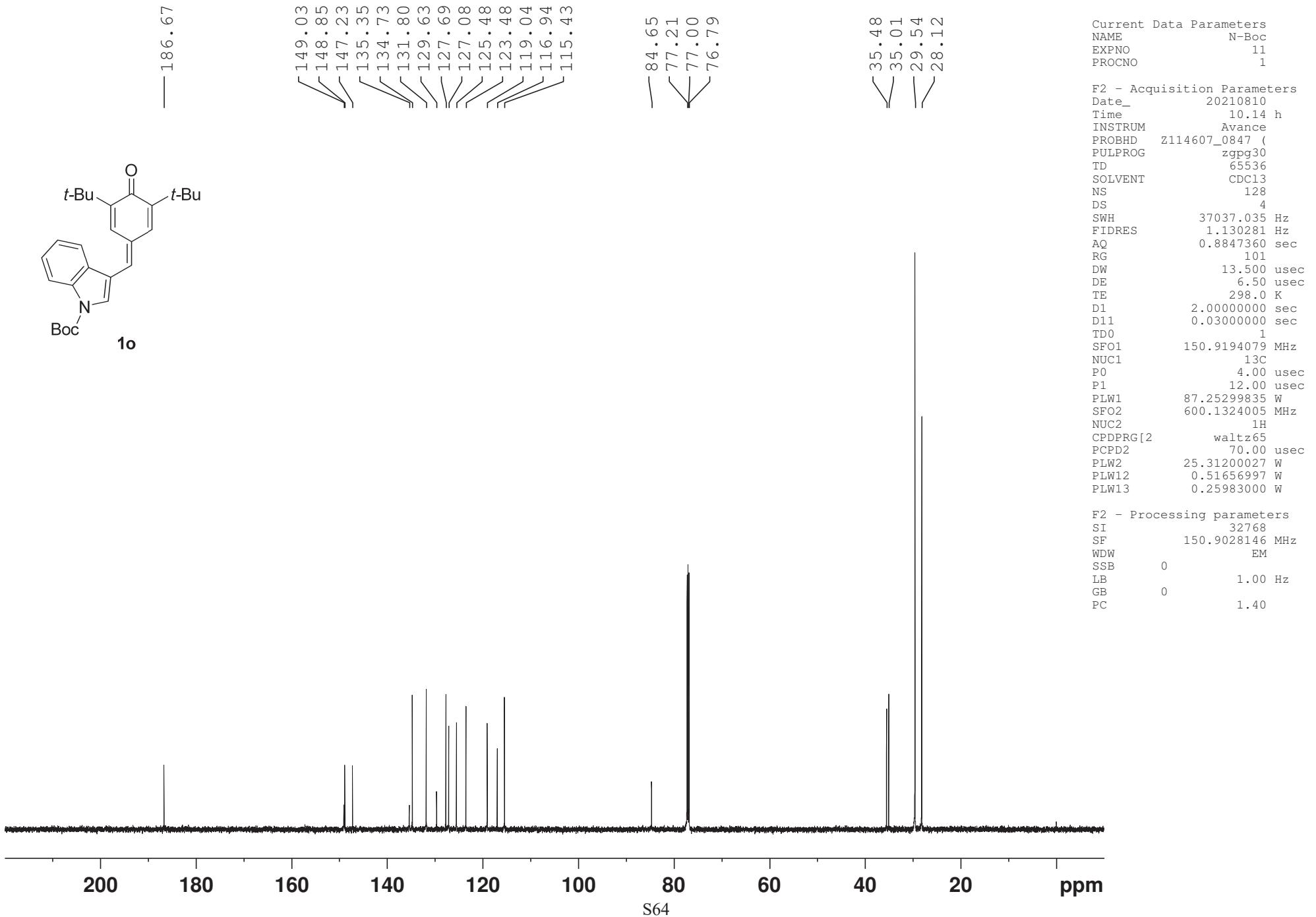


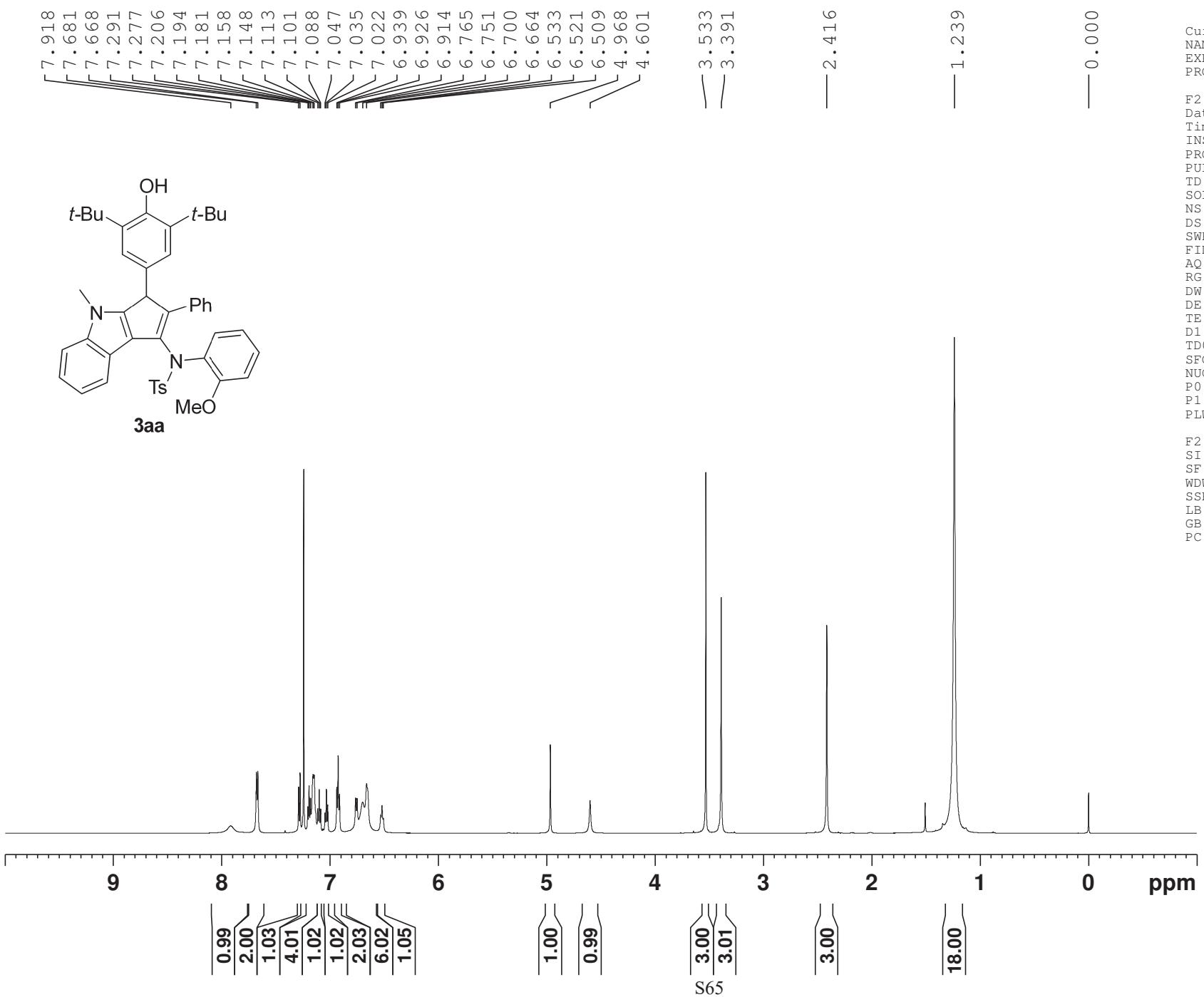








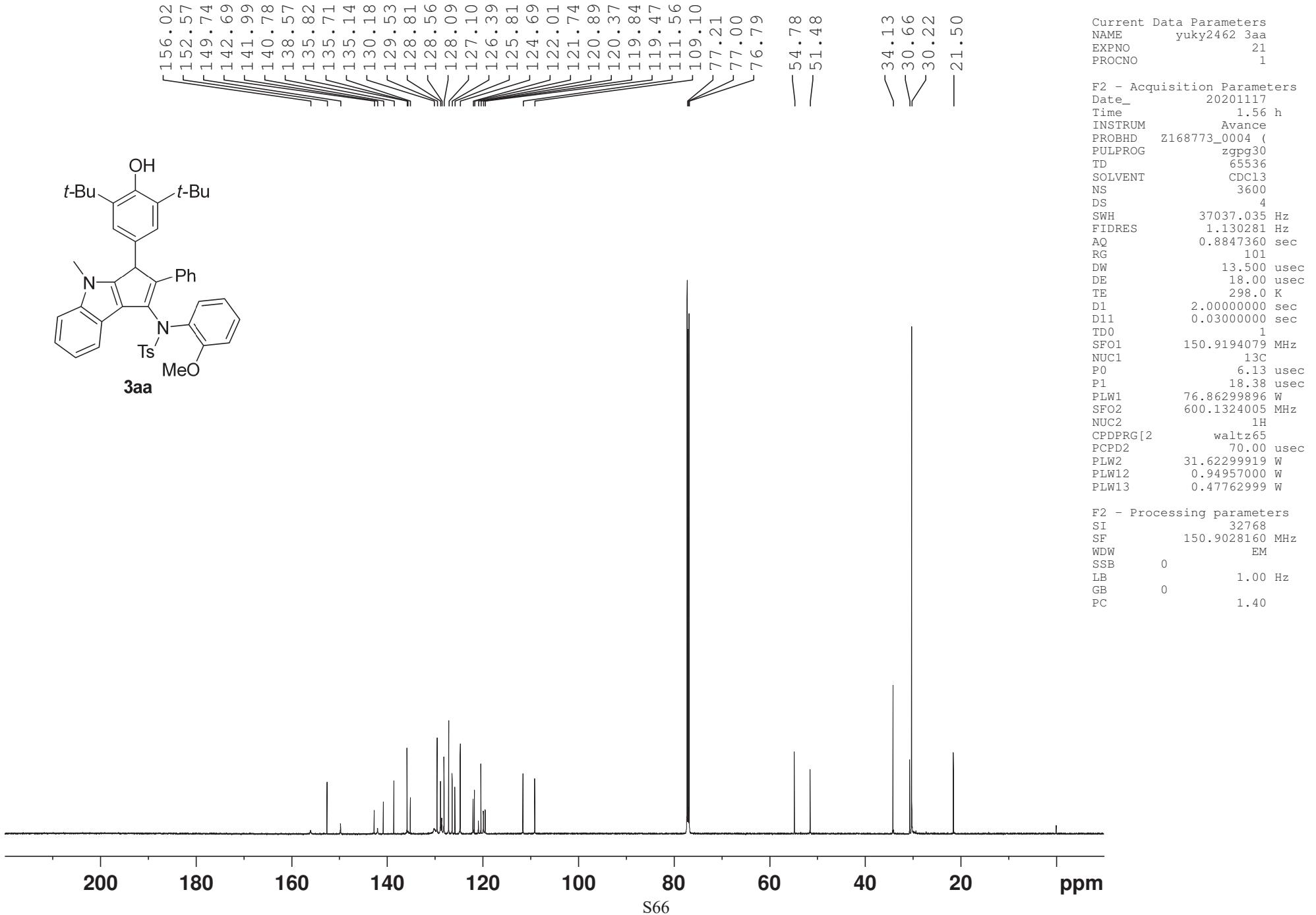


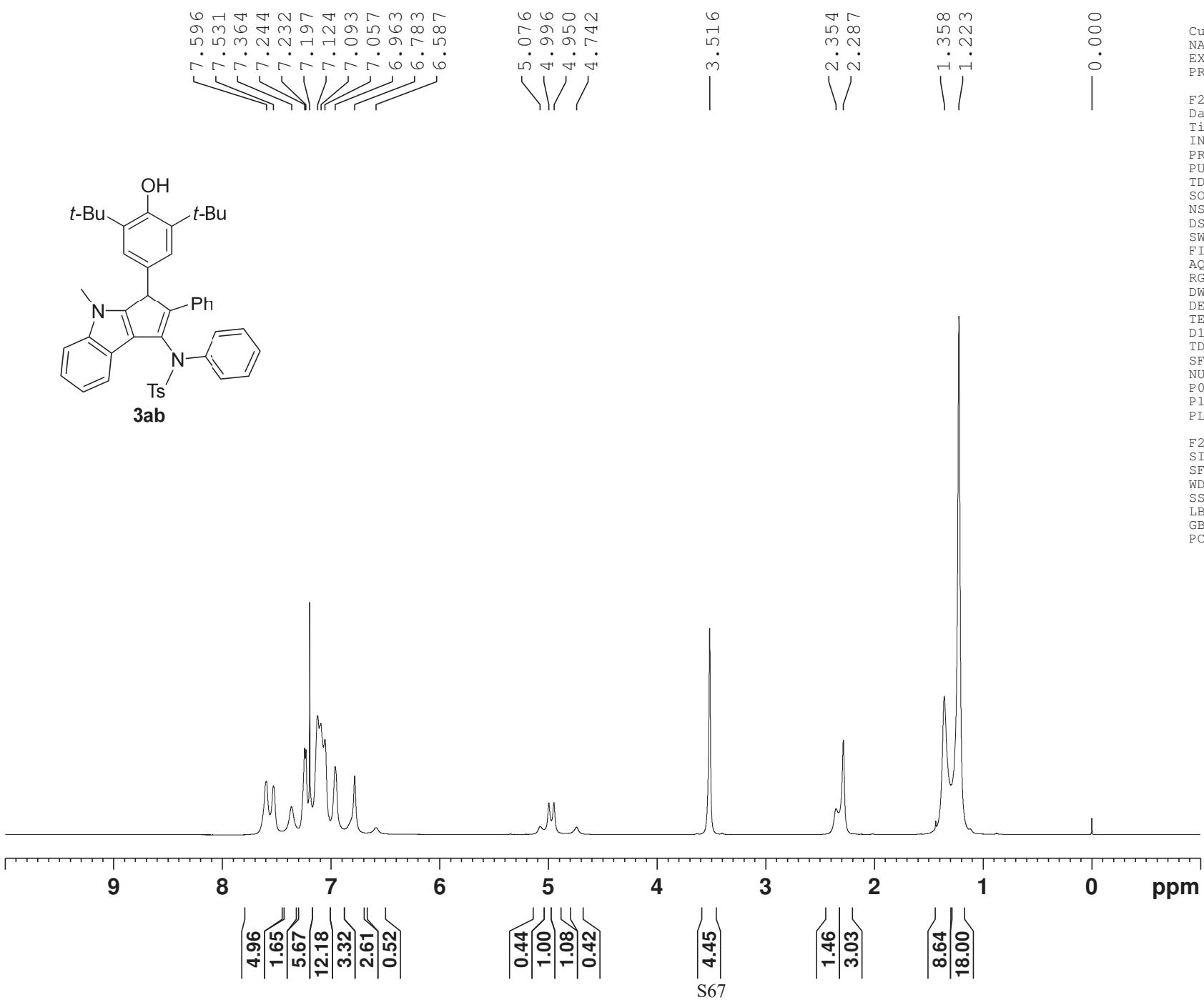
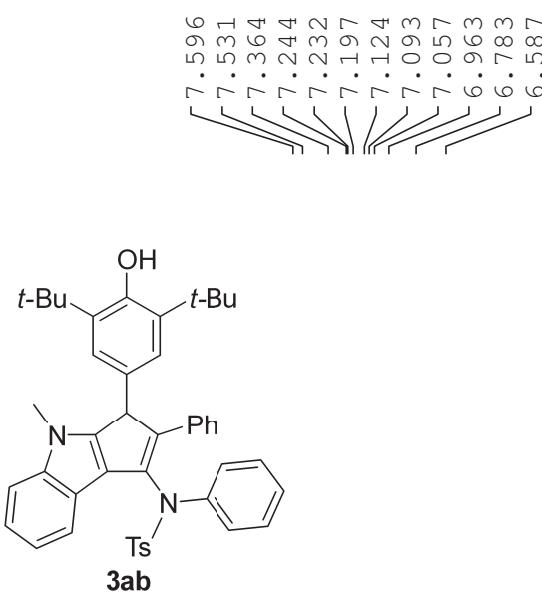


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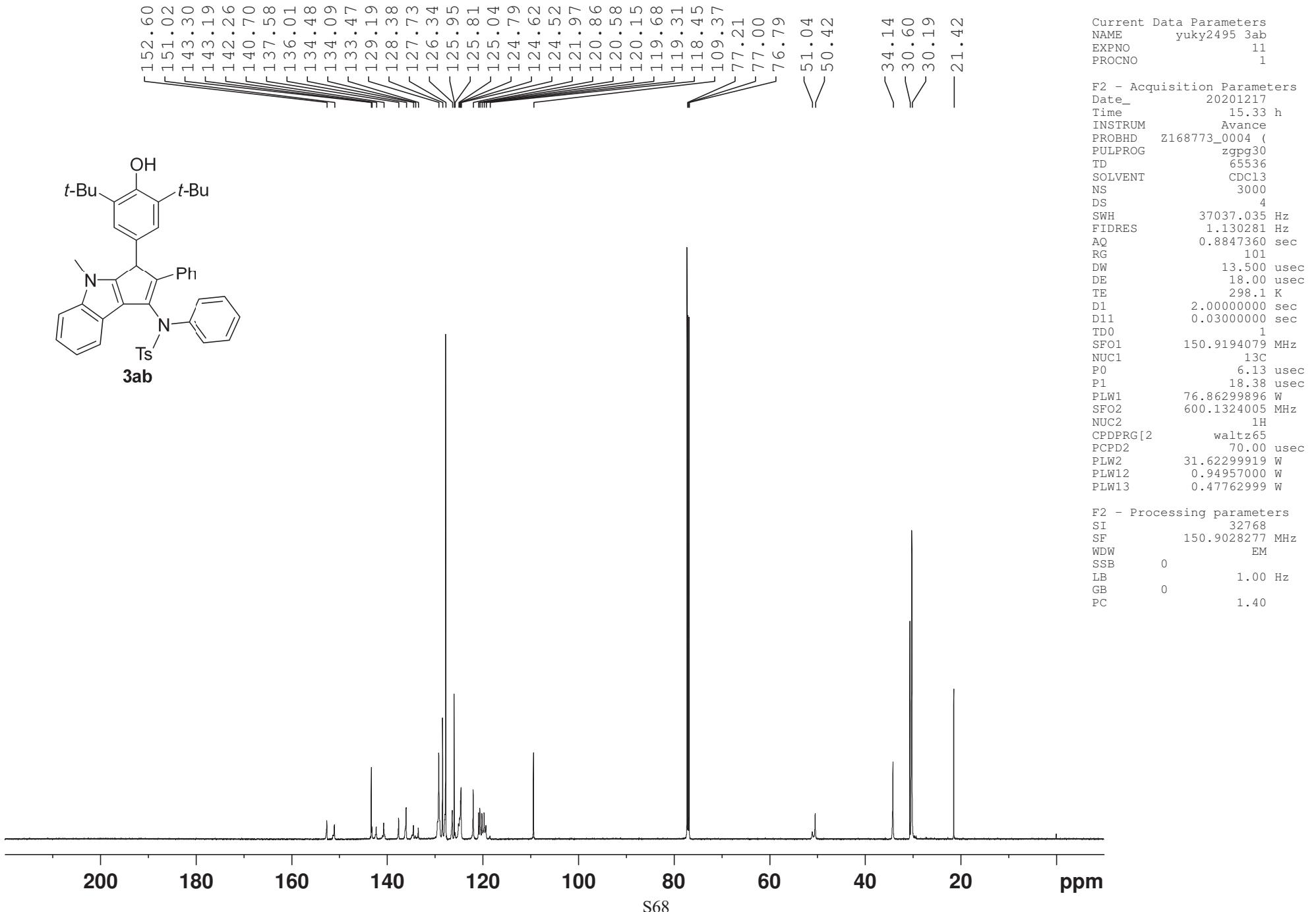


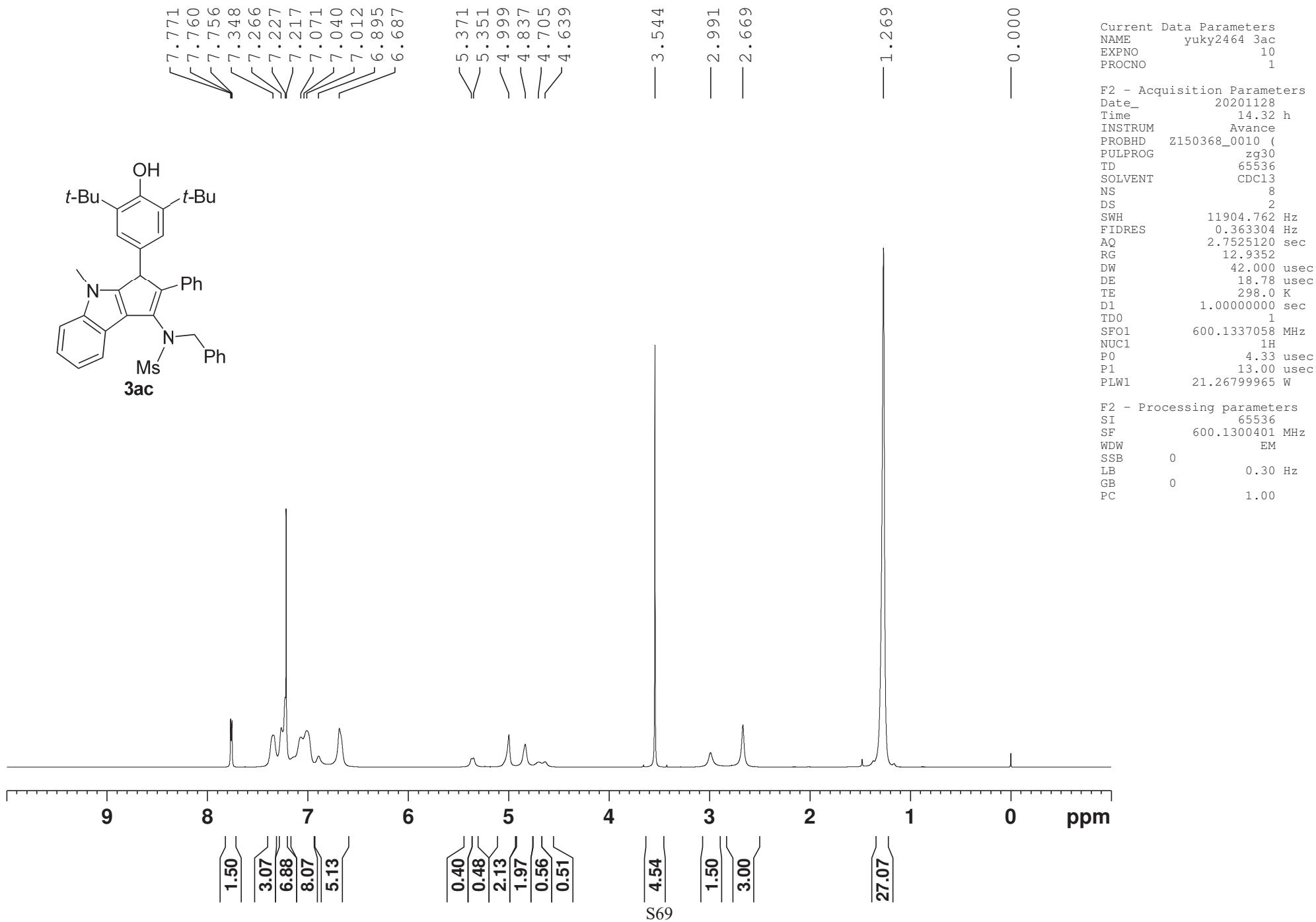


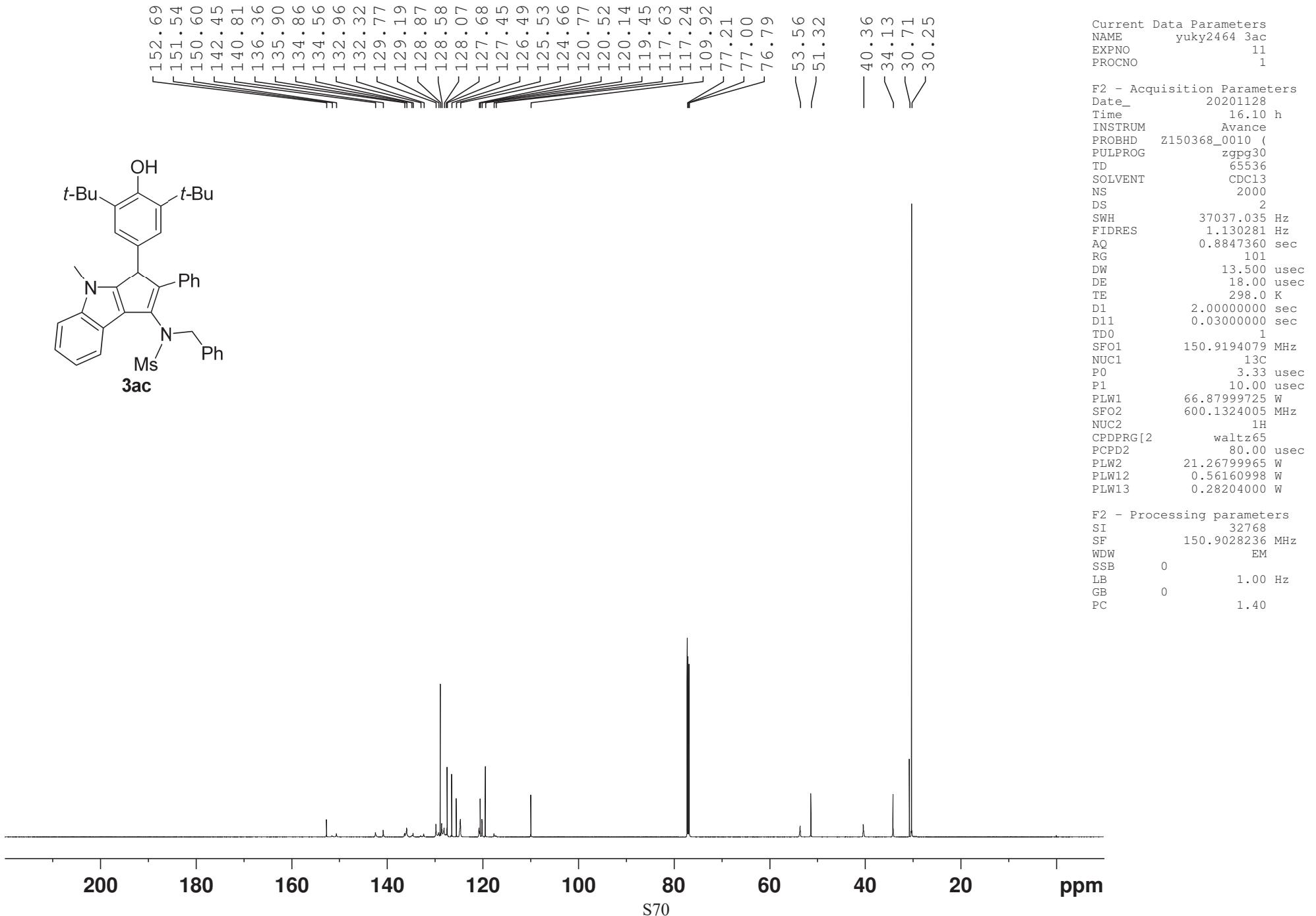
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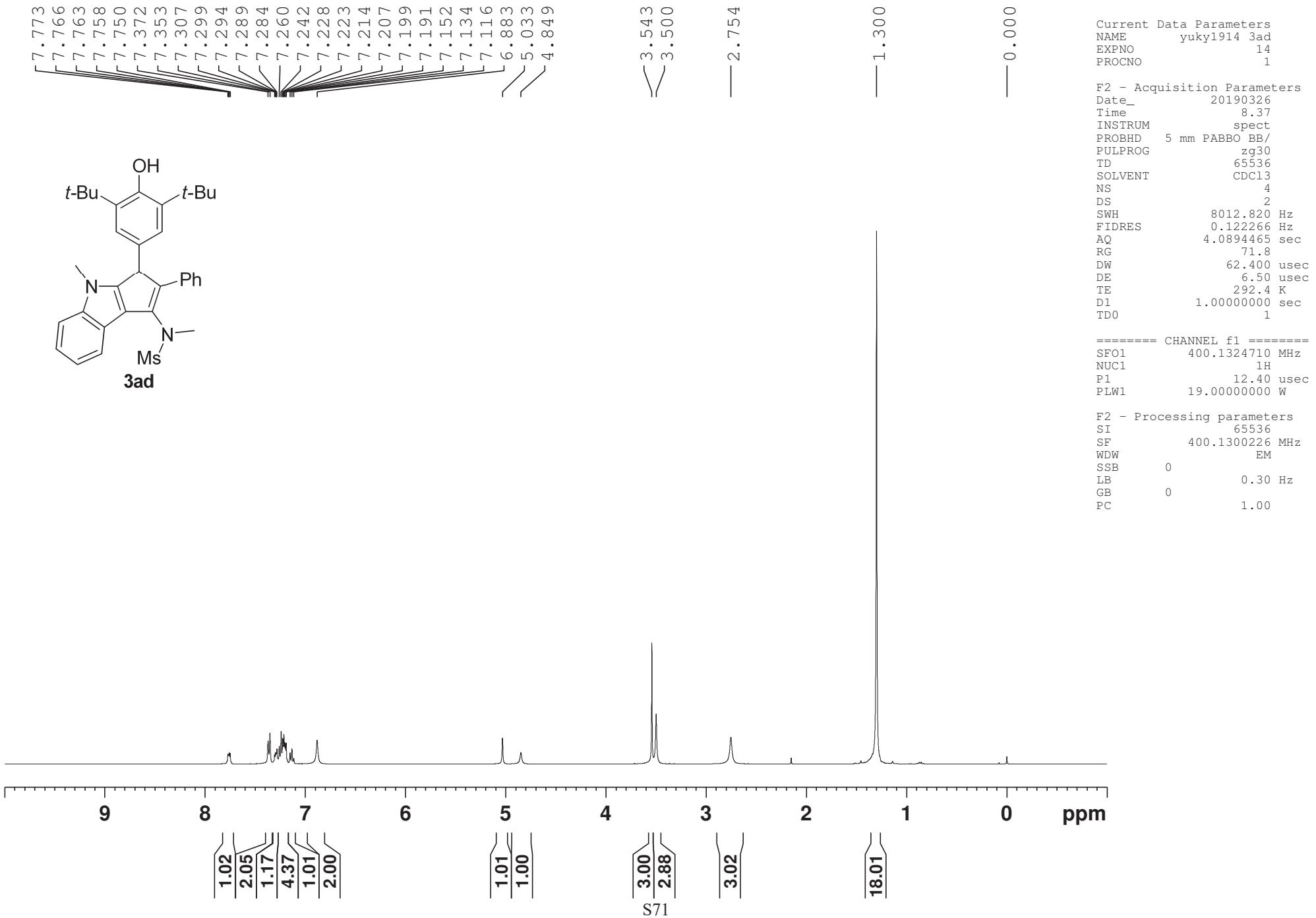
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 RG 20.7603  
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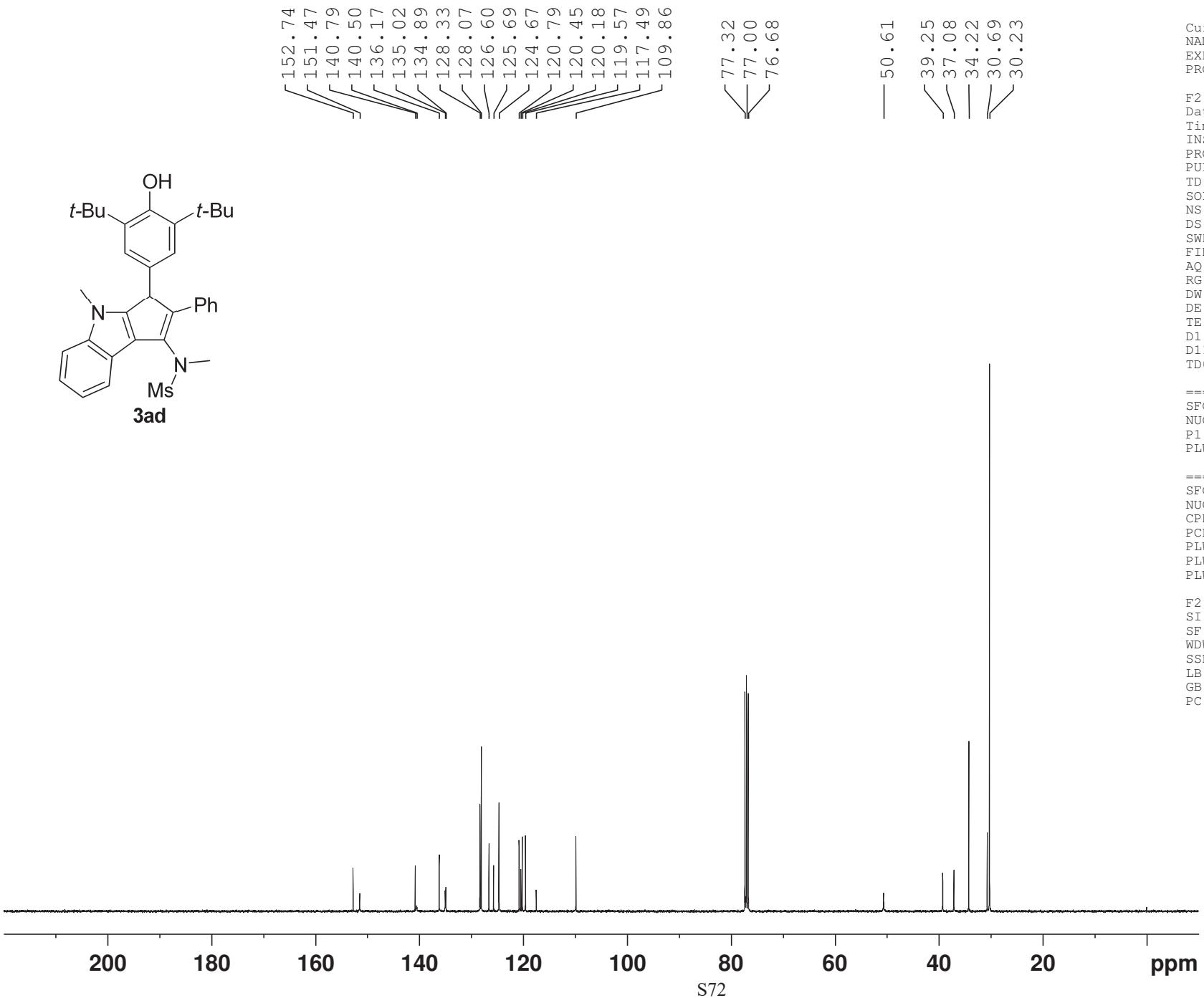
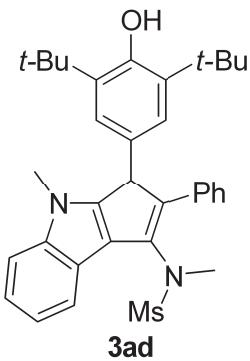
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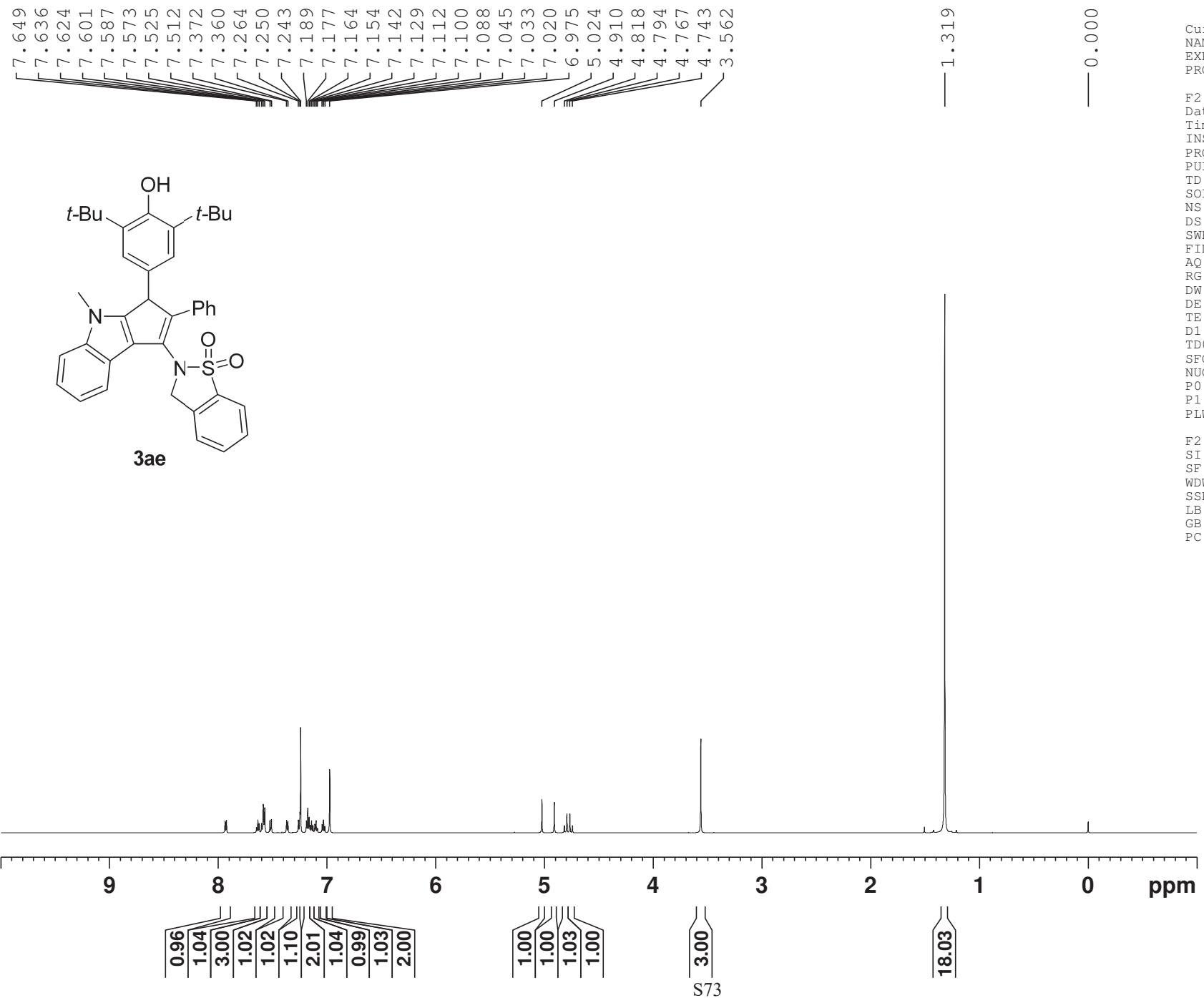
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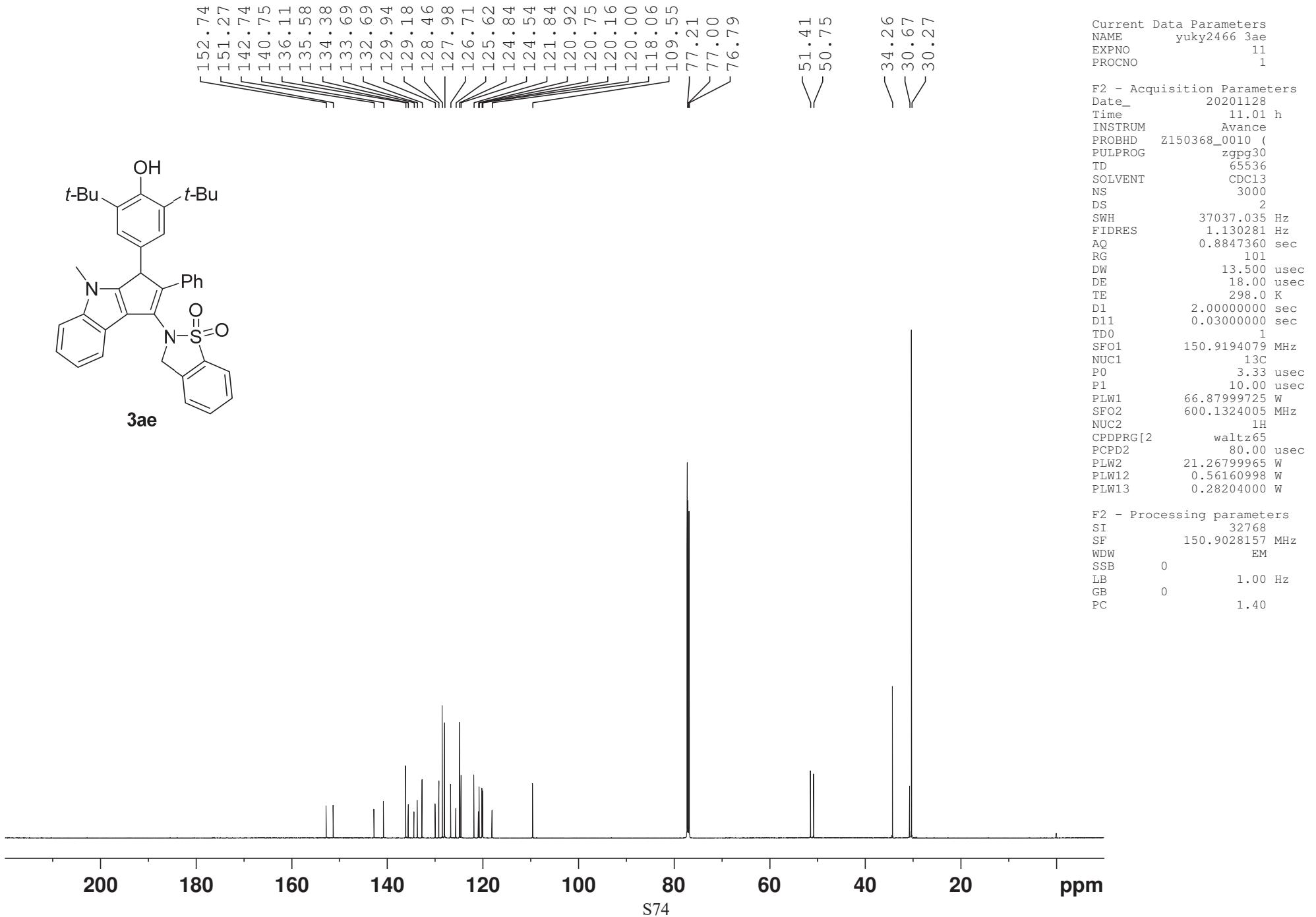
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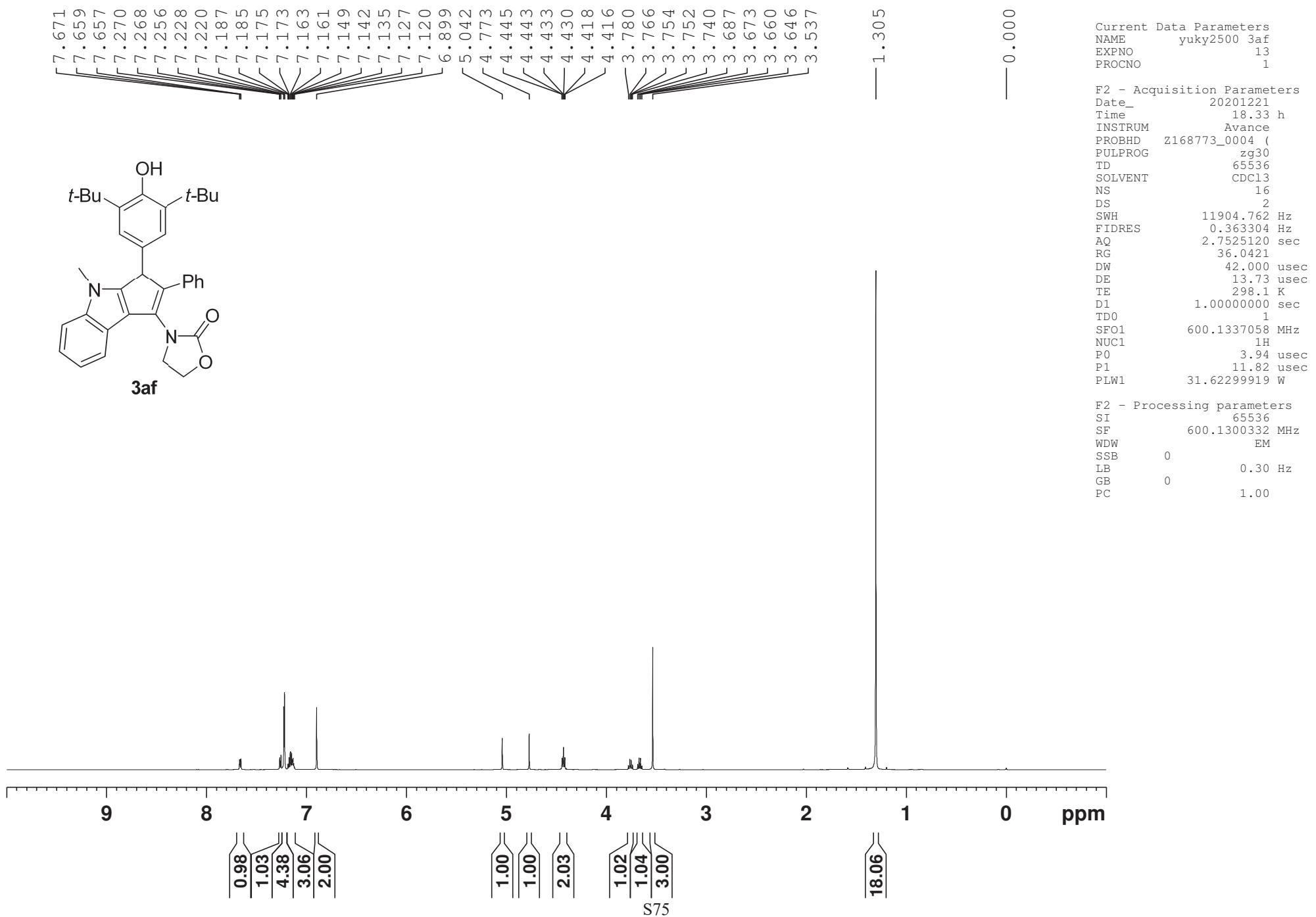


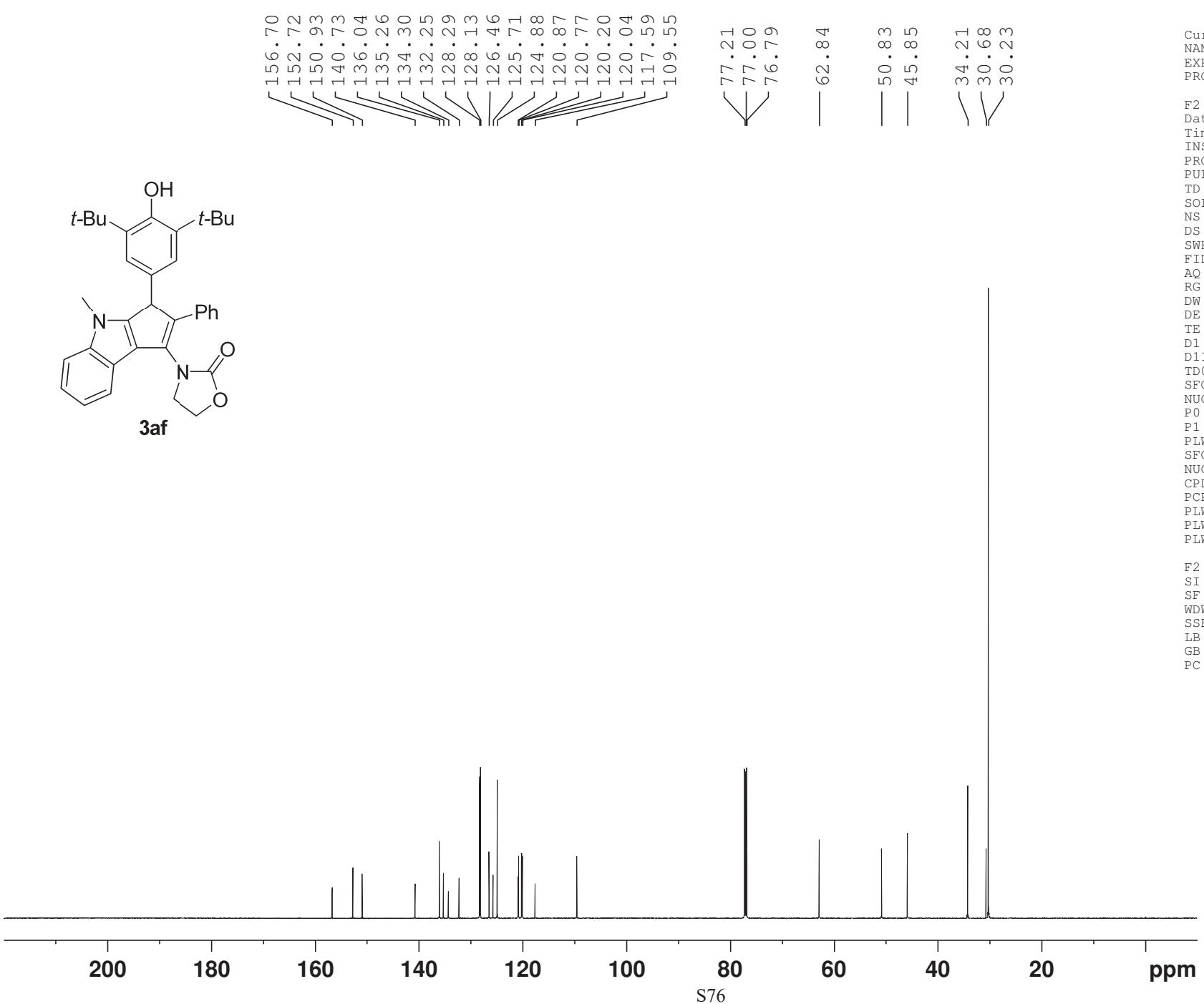
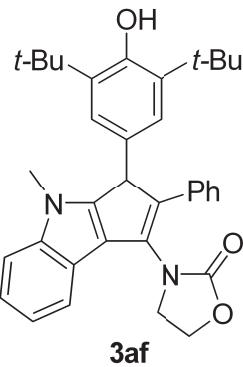
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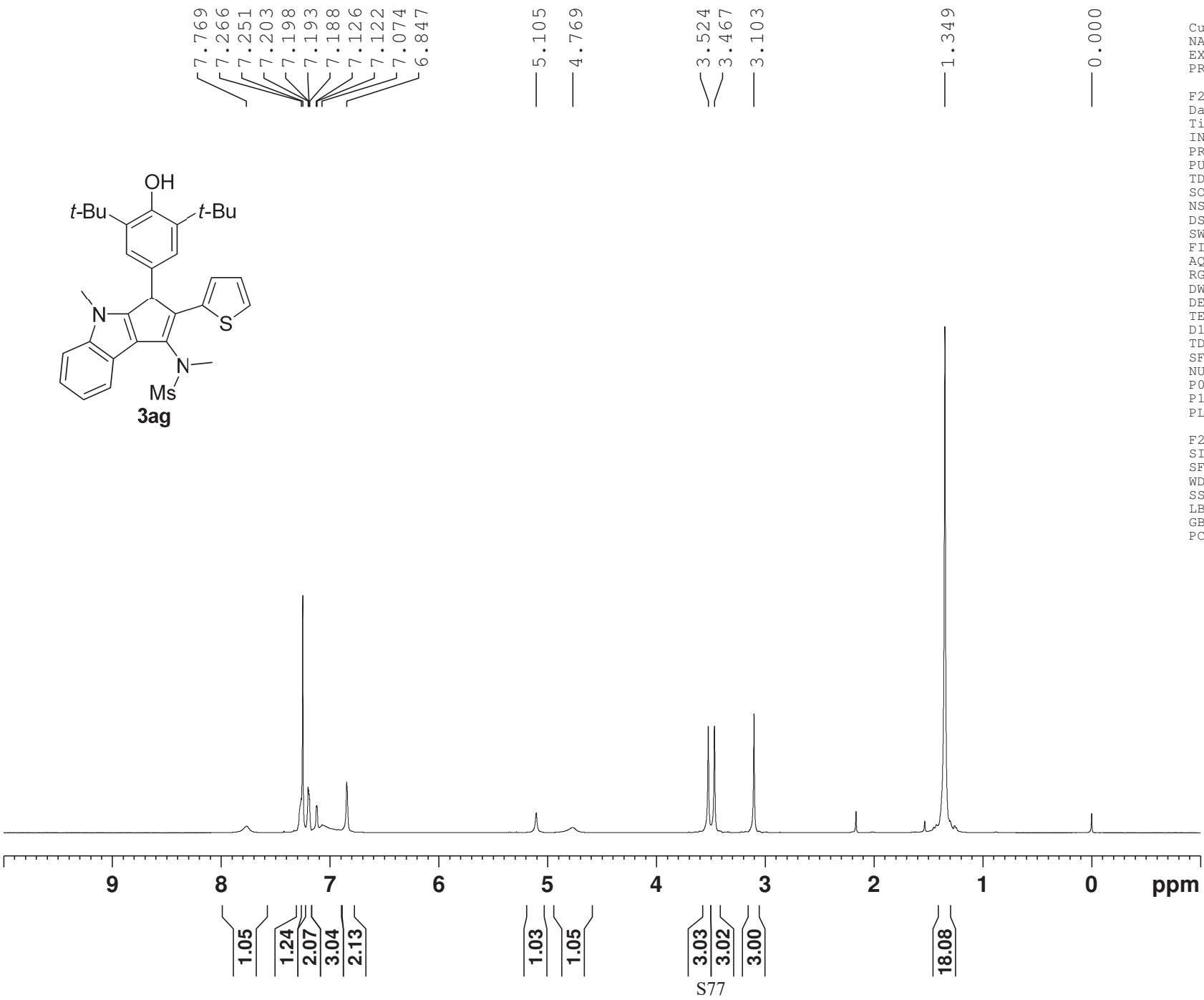
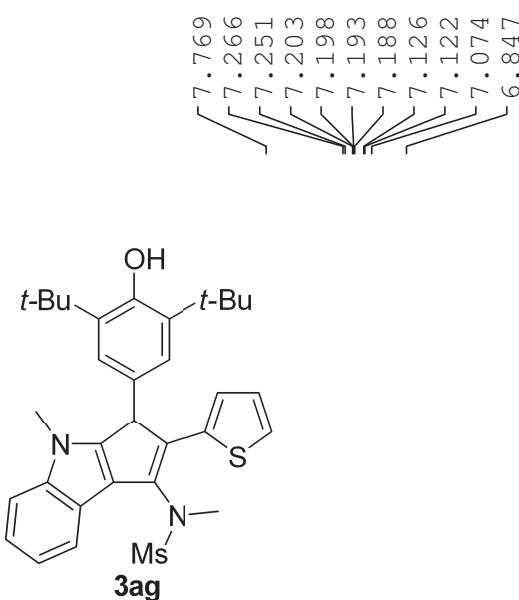




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TE 298.1 K  
D1 2.0000000 sec  
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TD0 1  
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P0 6.13 usec  
P1 18.38 usec  
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SFO2 600.1324005 MHz  
NUC2 1H  
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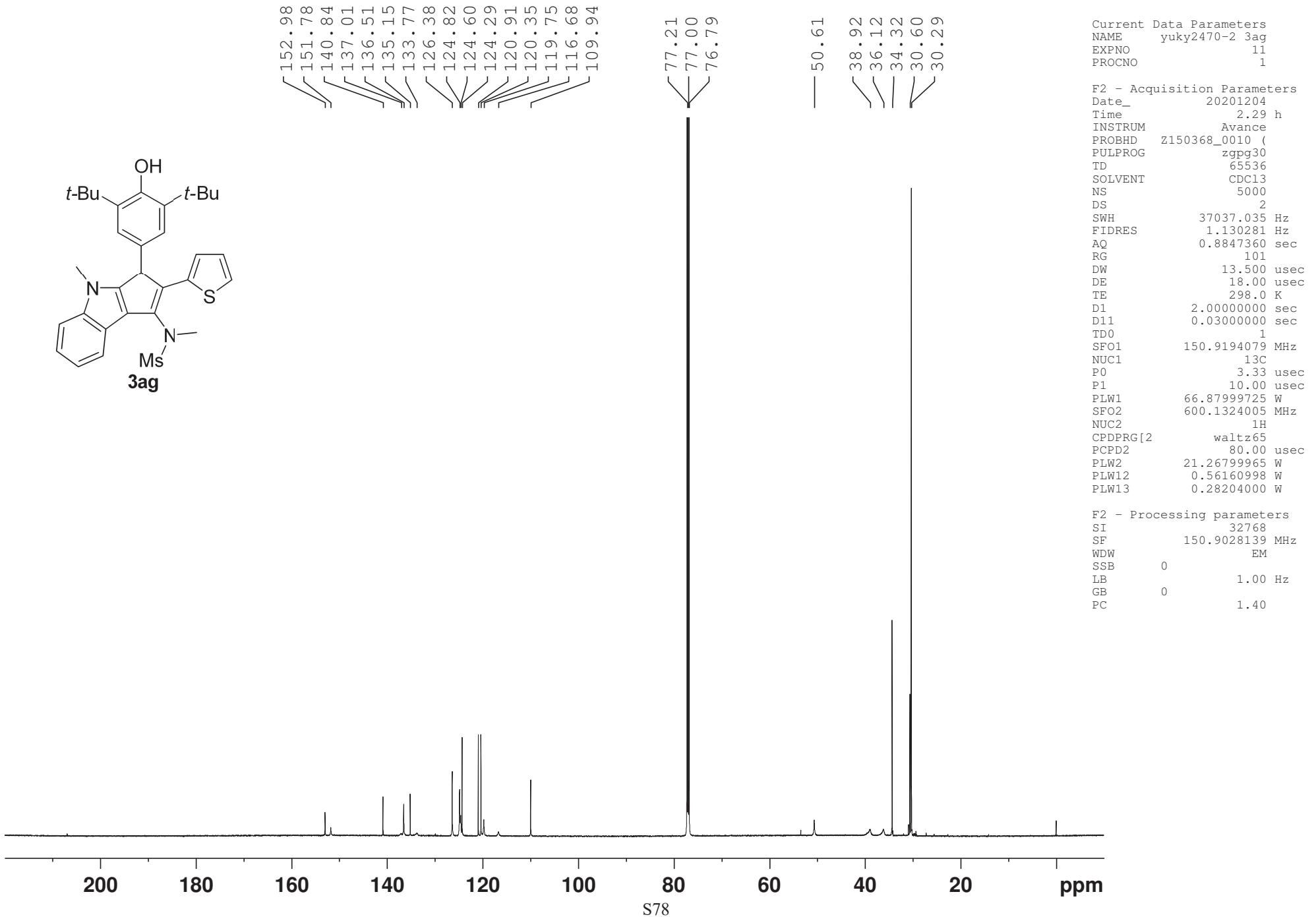
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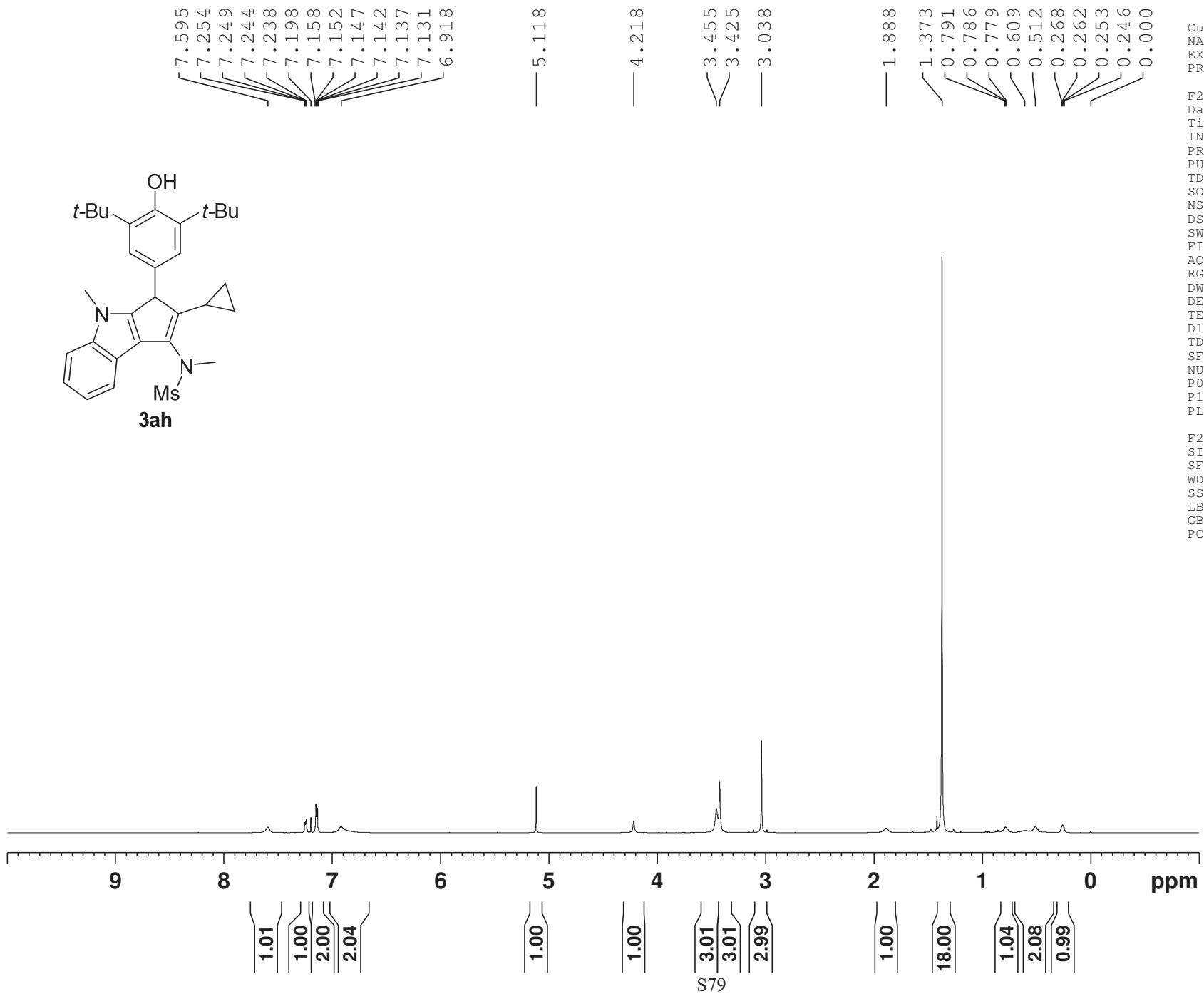


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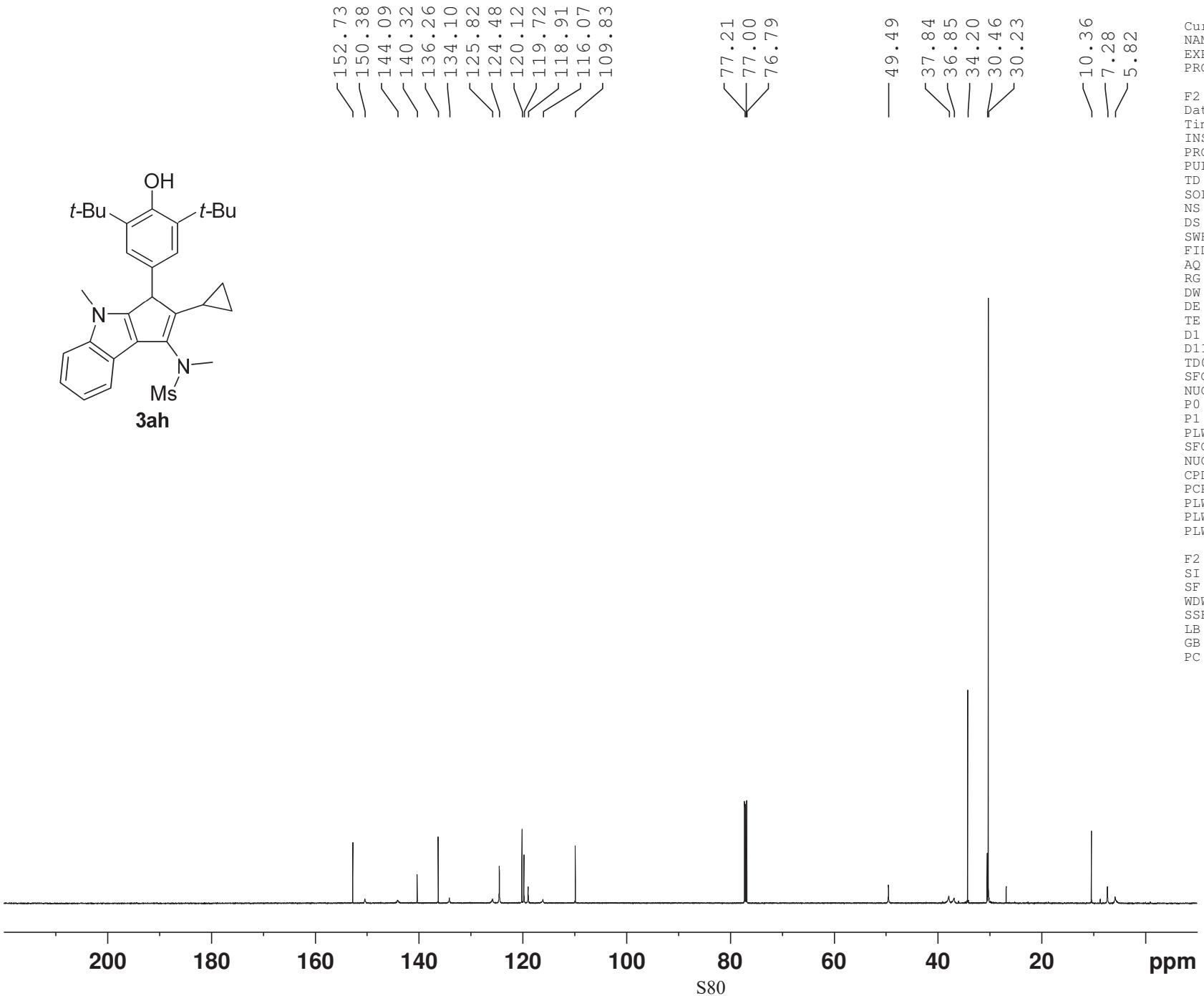
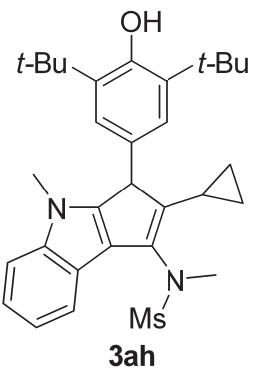




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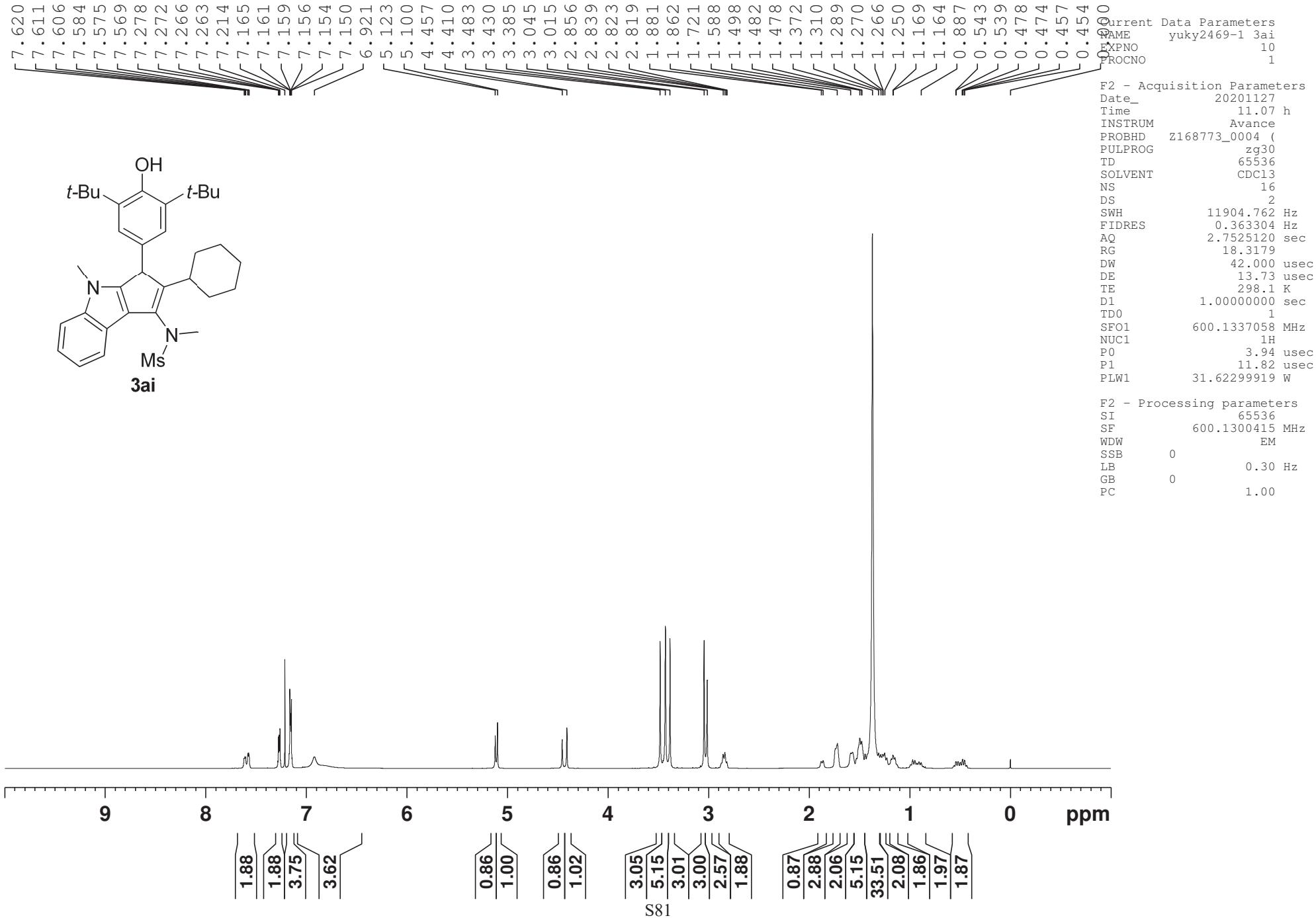
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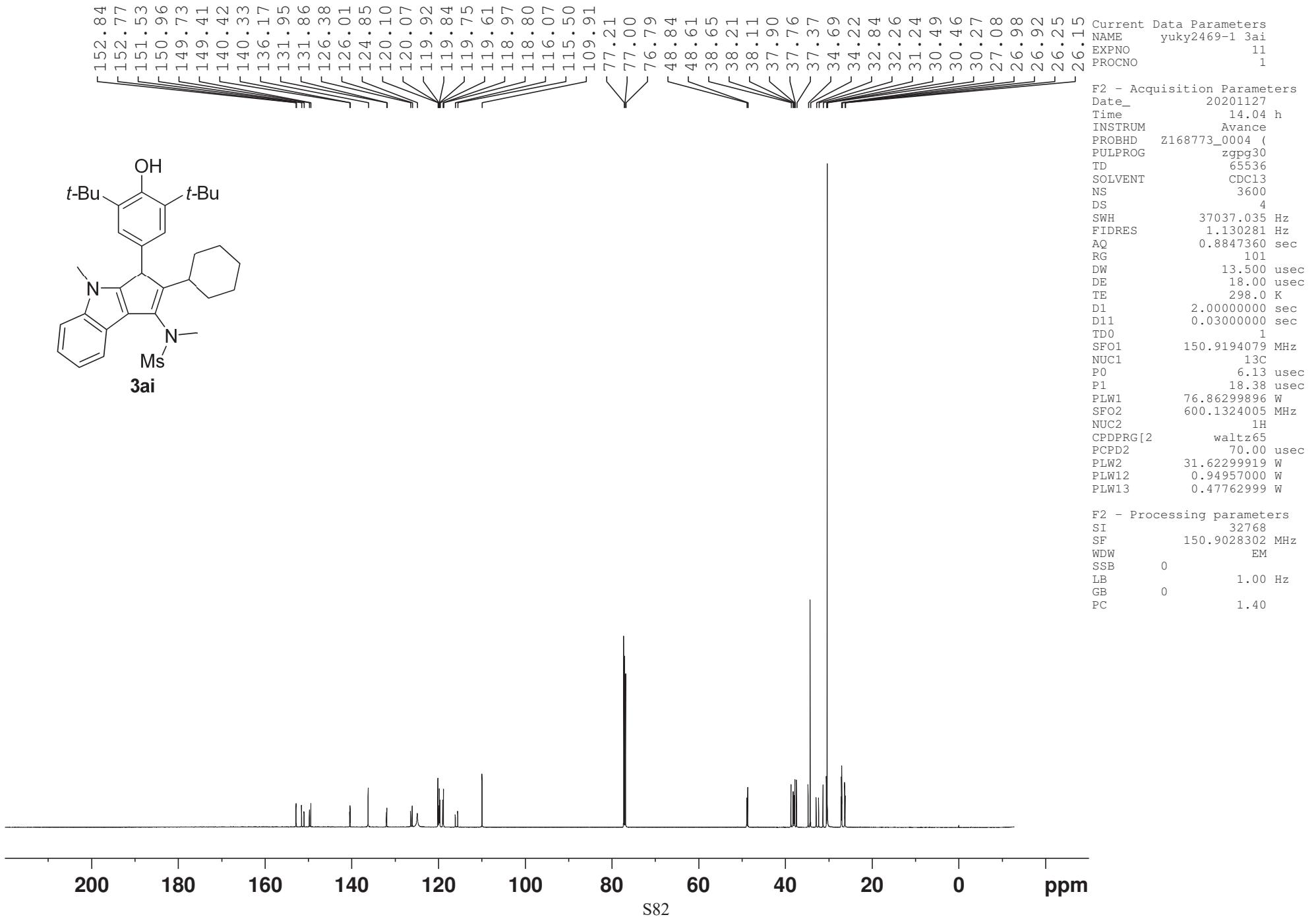


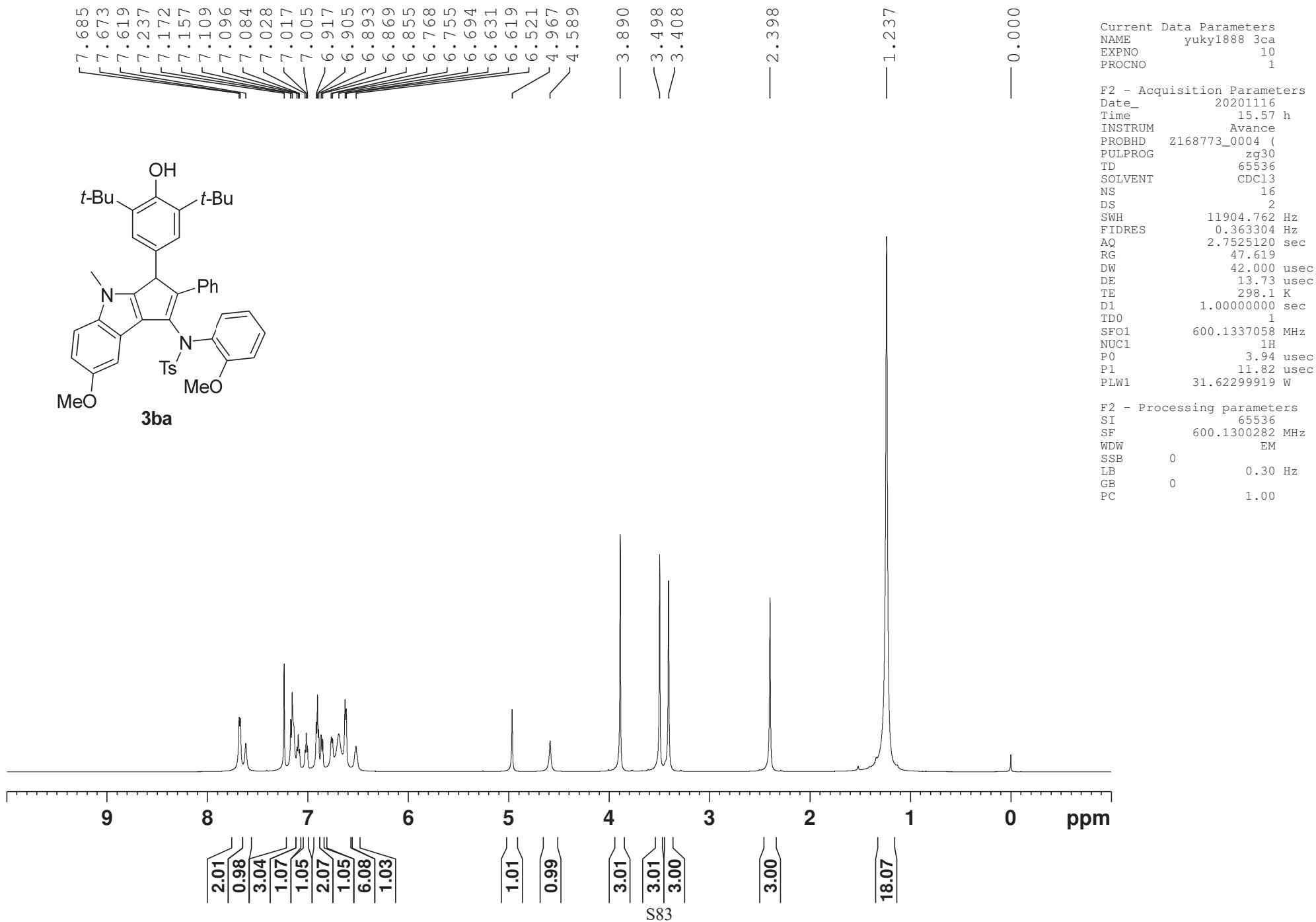
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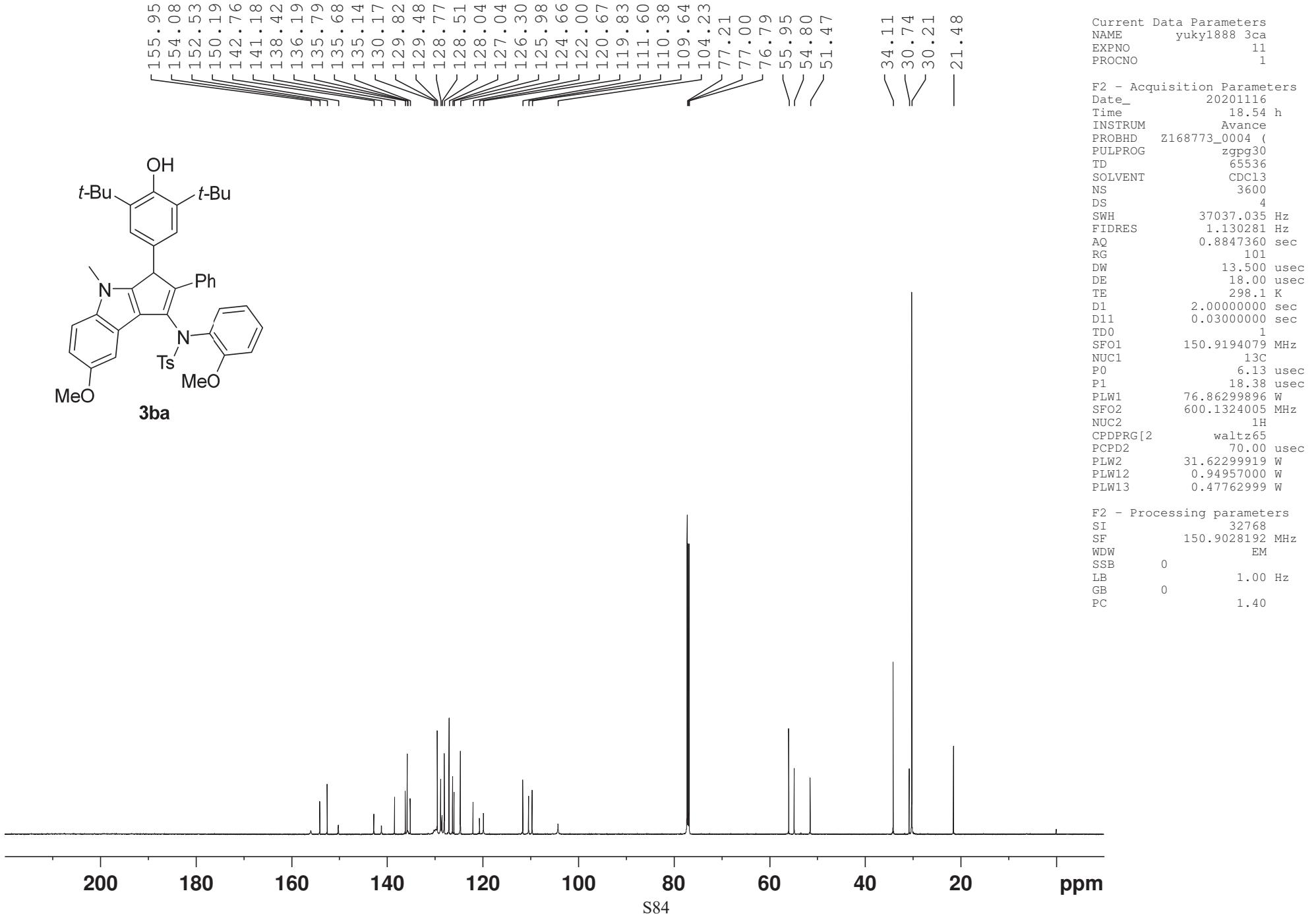
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TE 298.0 K  
D1 2.0000000 sec  
D11 0.0300000 sec  
TD0 1  
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P0 6.13 usec  
P1 18.38 usec  
PLW1 76.86299896 W  
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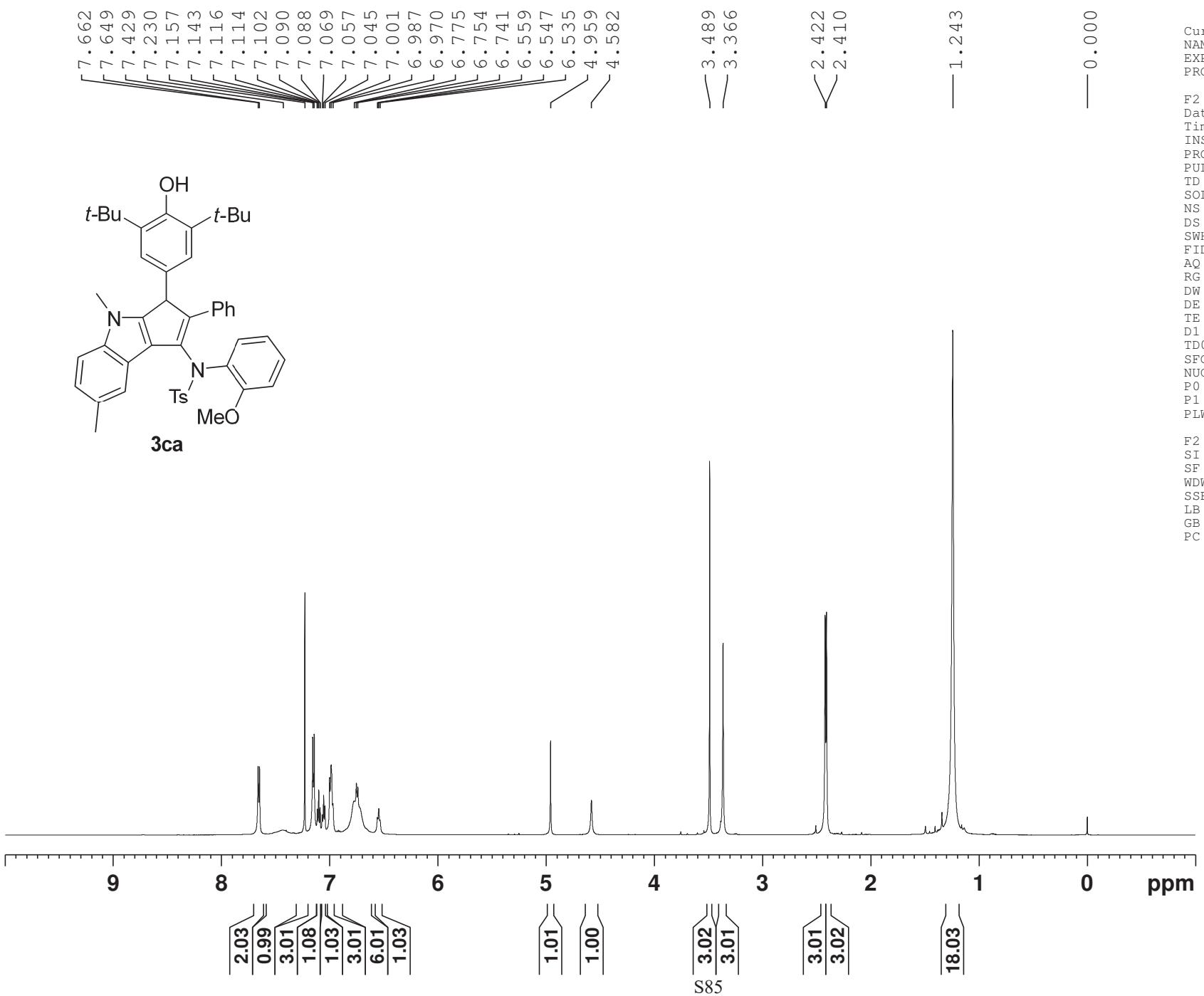
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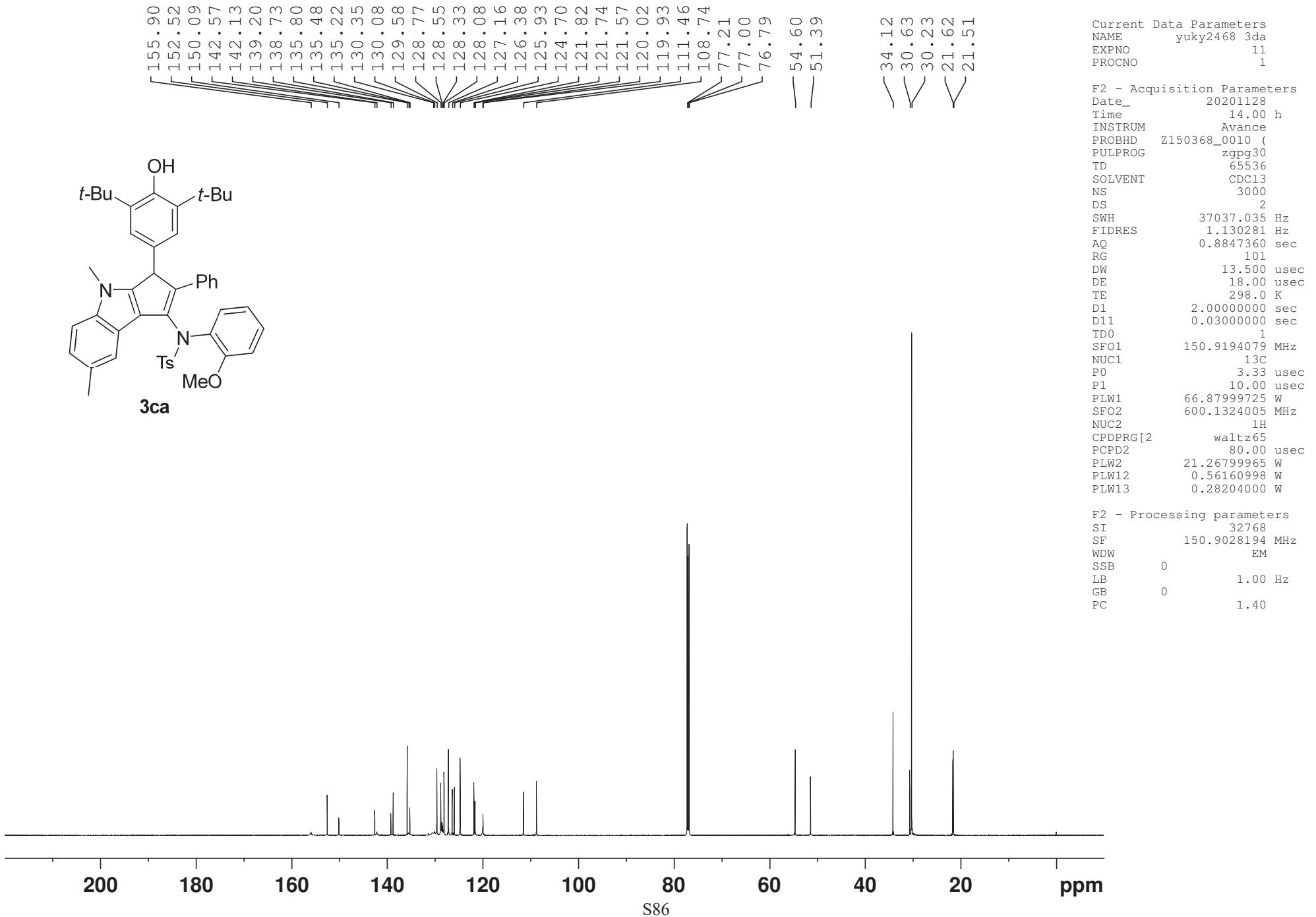


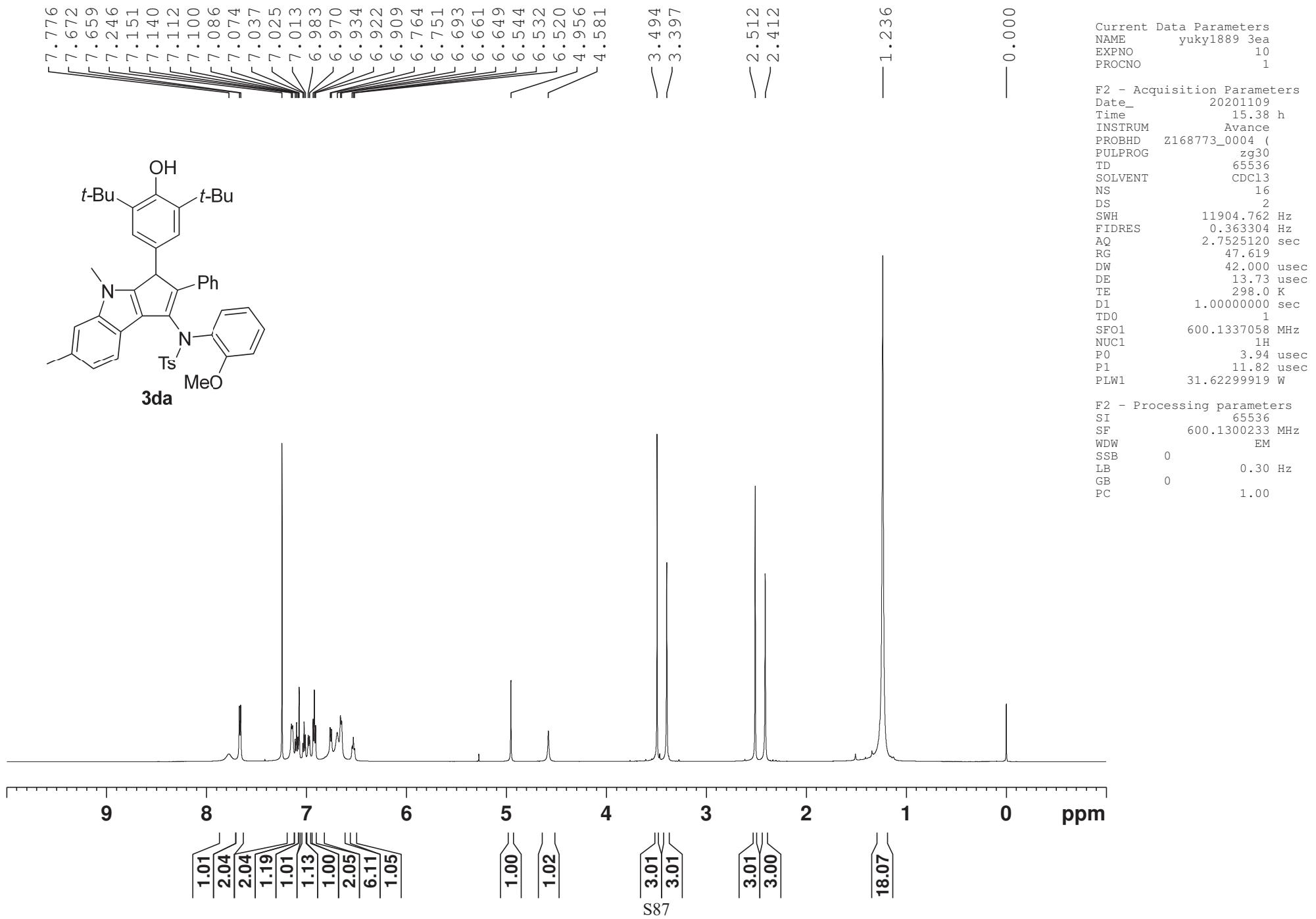


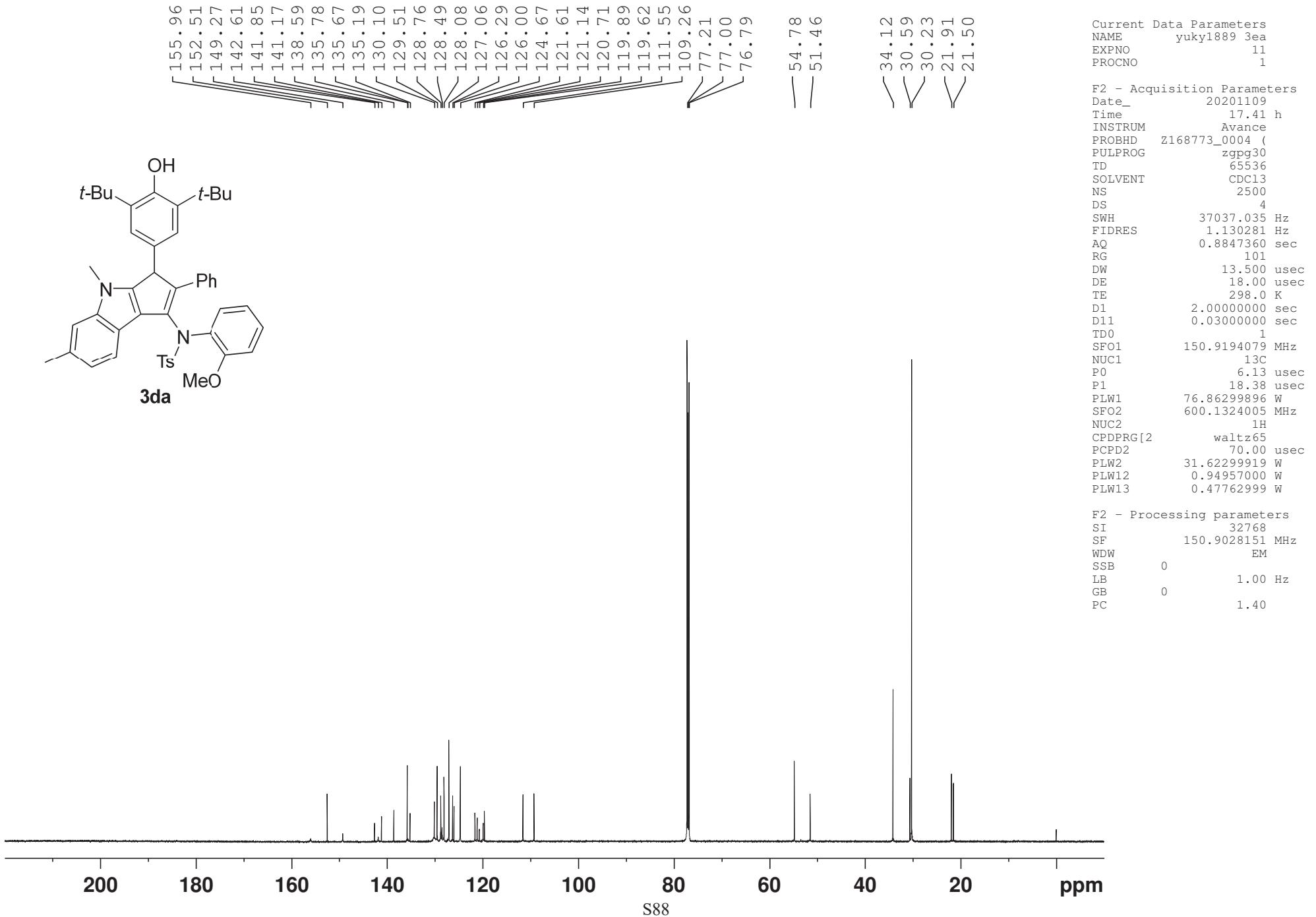
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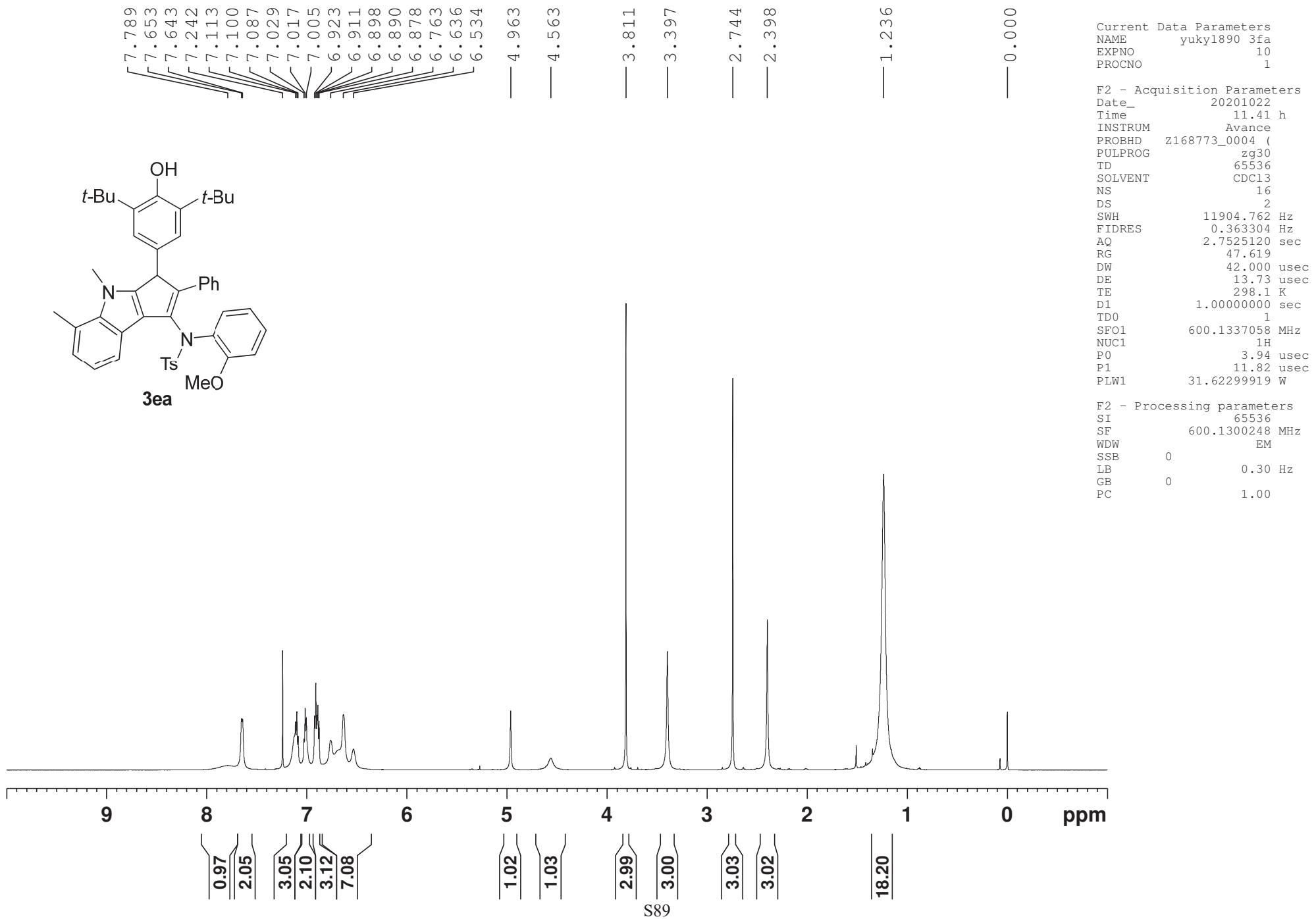
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AQ 2.7525120 sec  
RG 32  
DW 42.000 usec  
DE 18.78 usec  
TE 298.0 K  
D1 1.0000000 sec  
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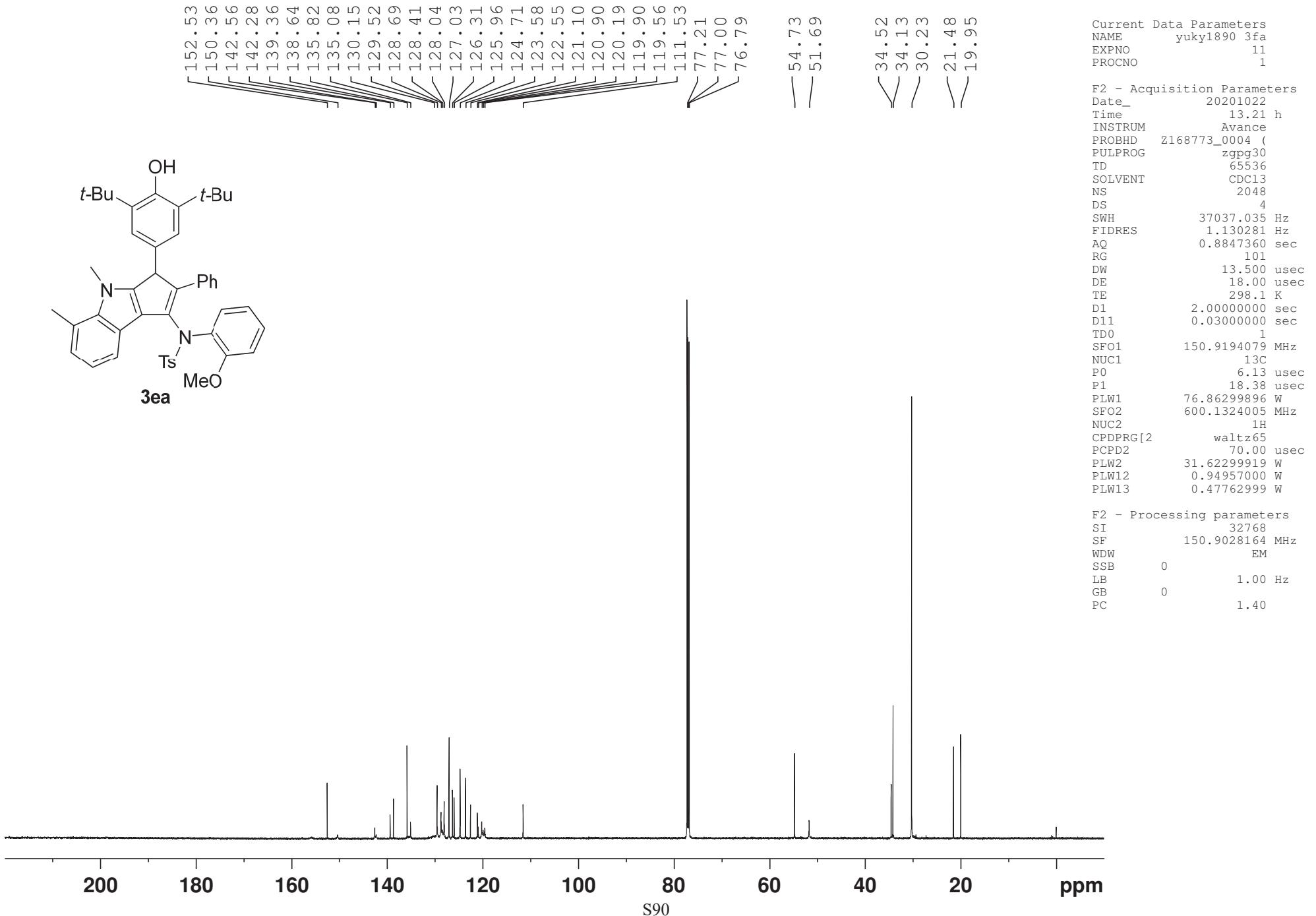
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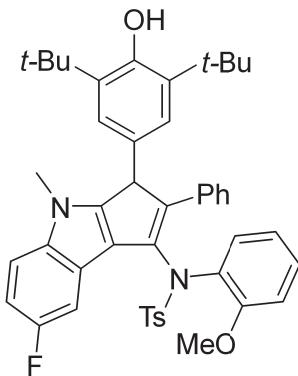
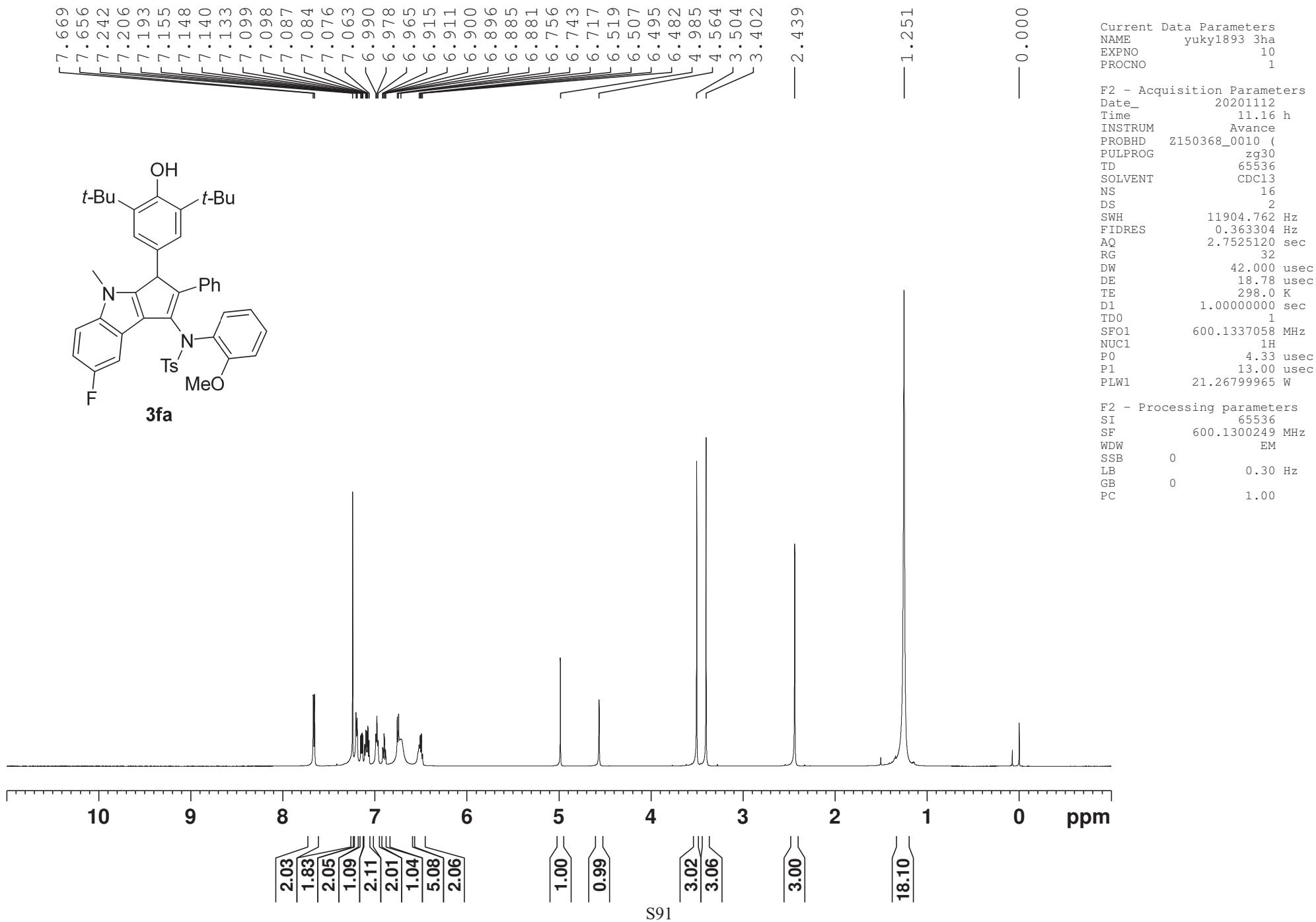




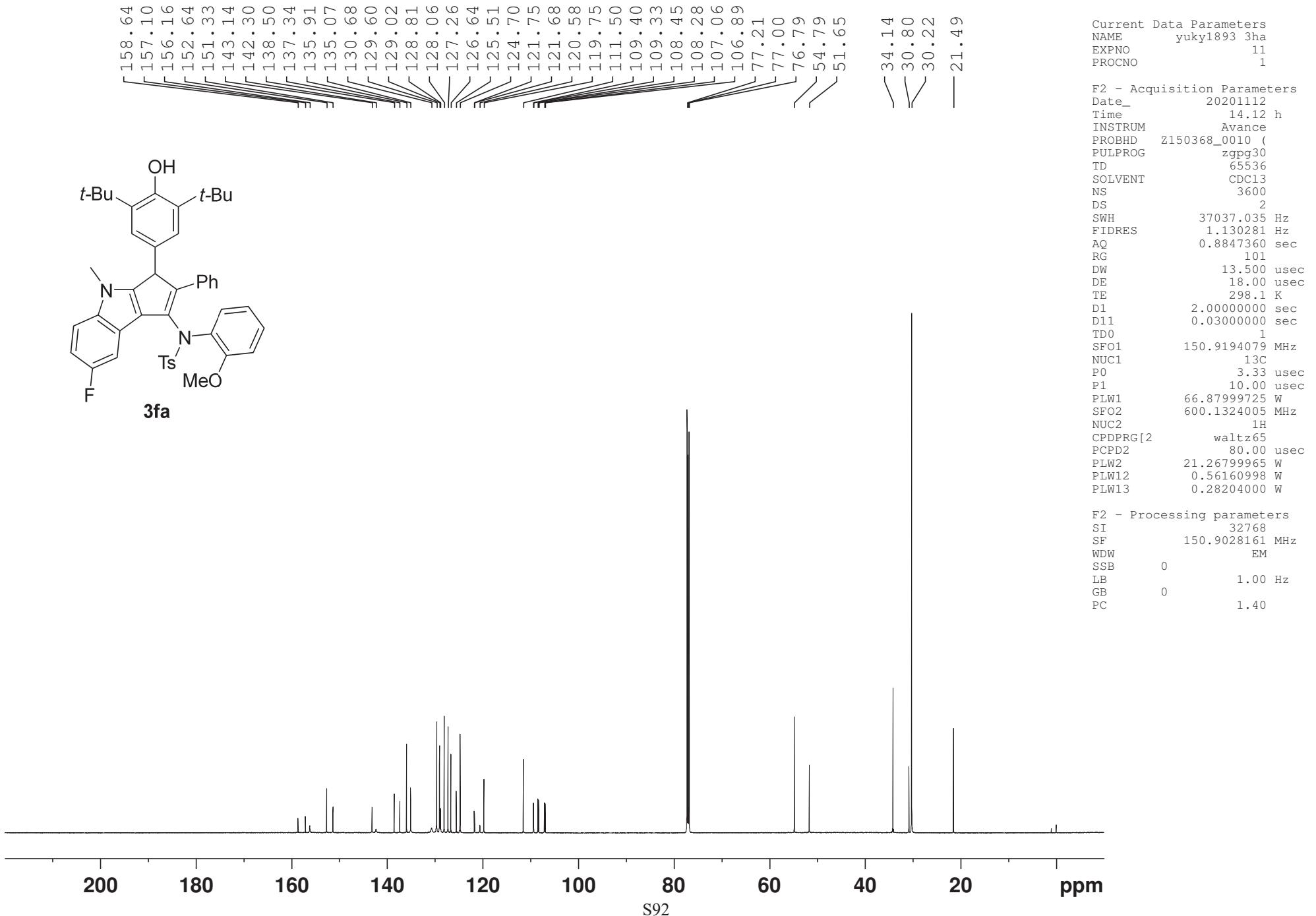


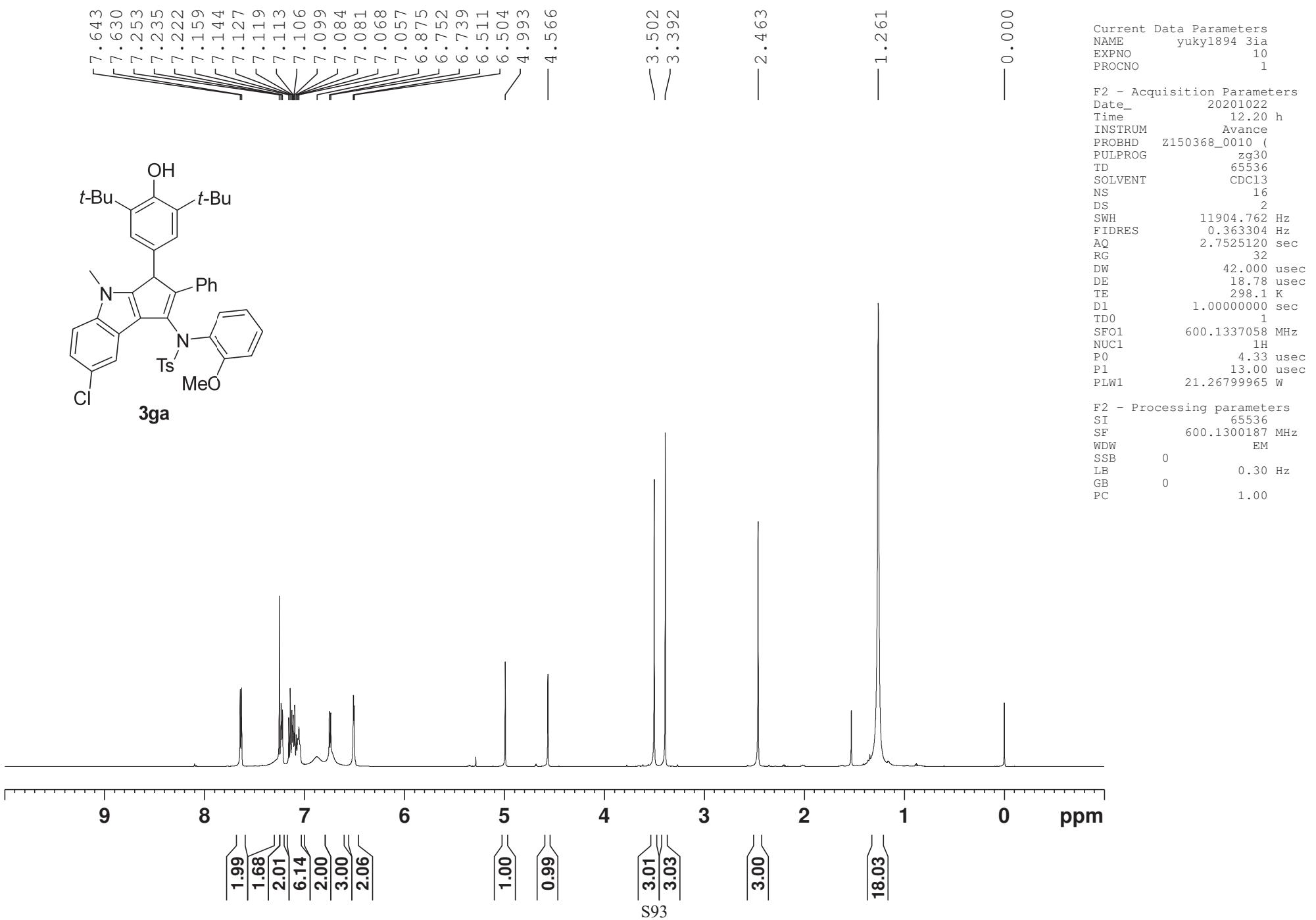


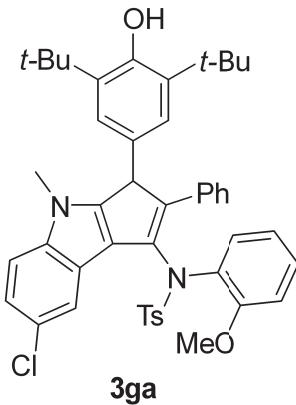
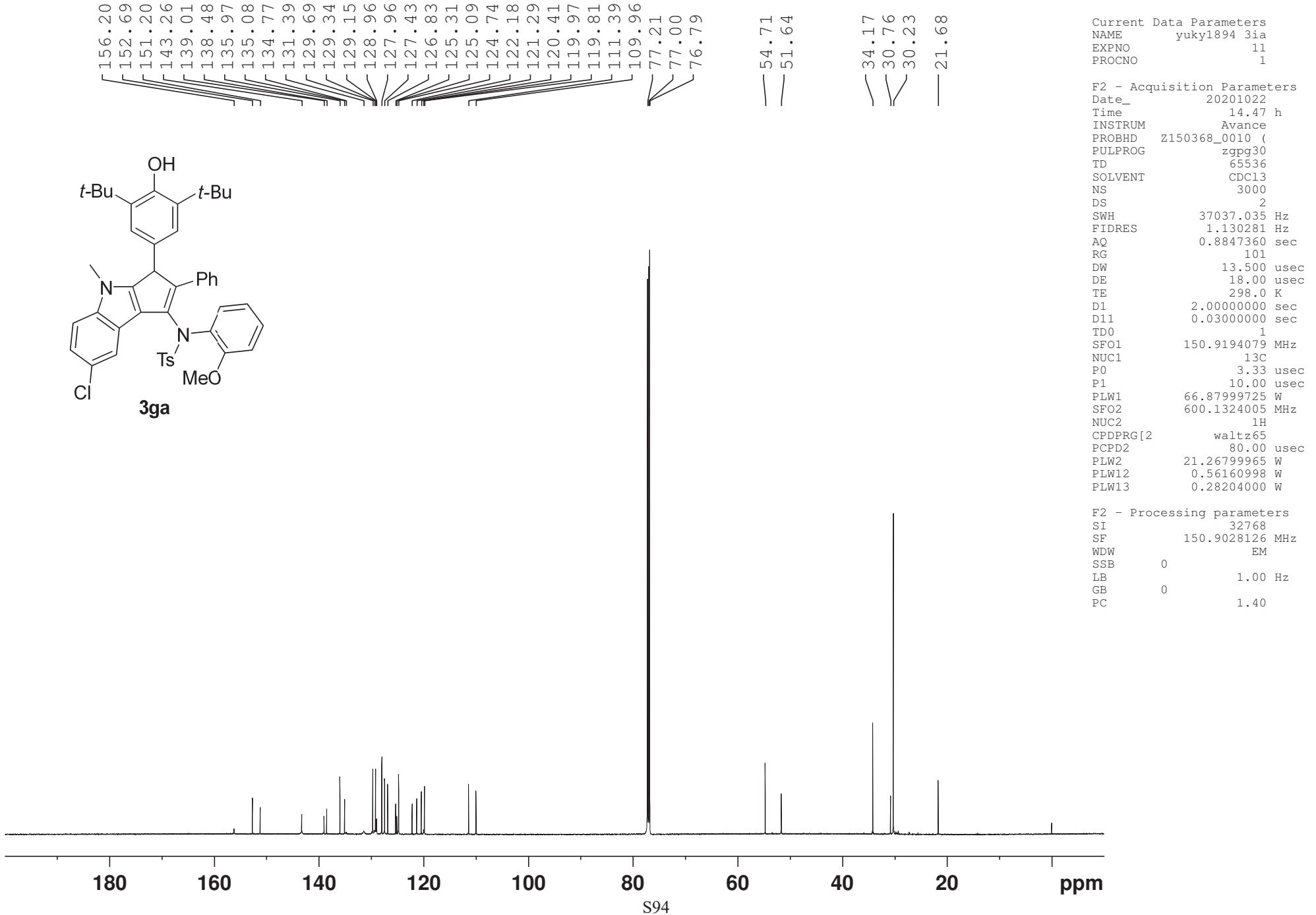


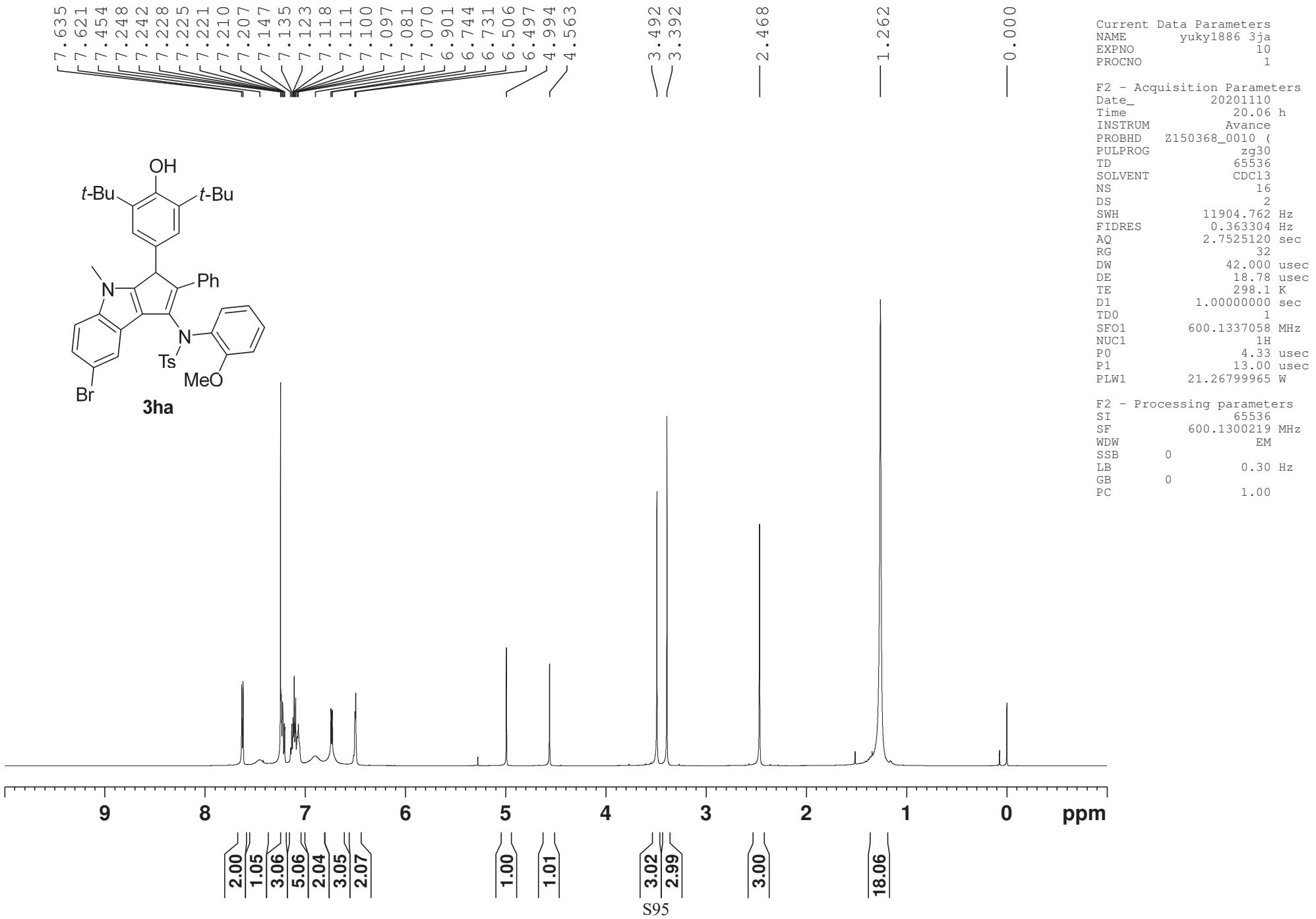


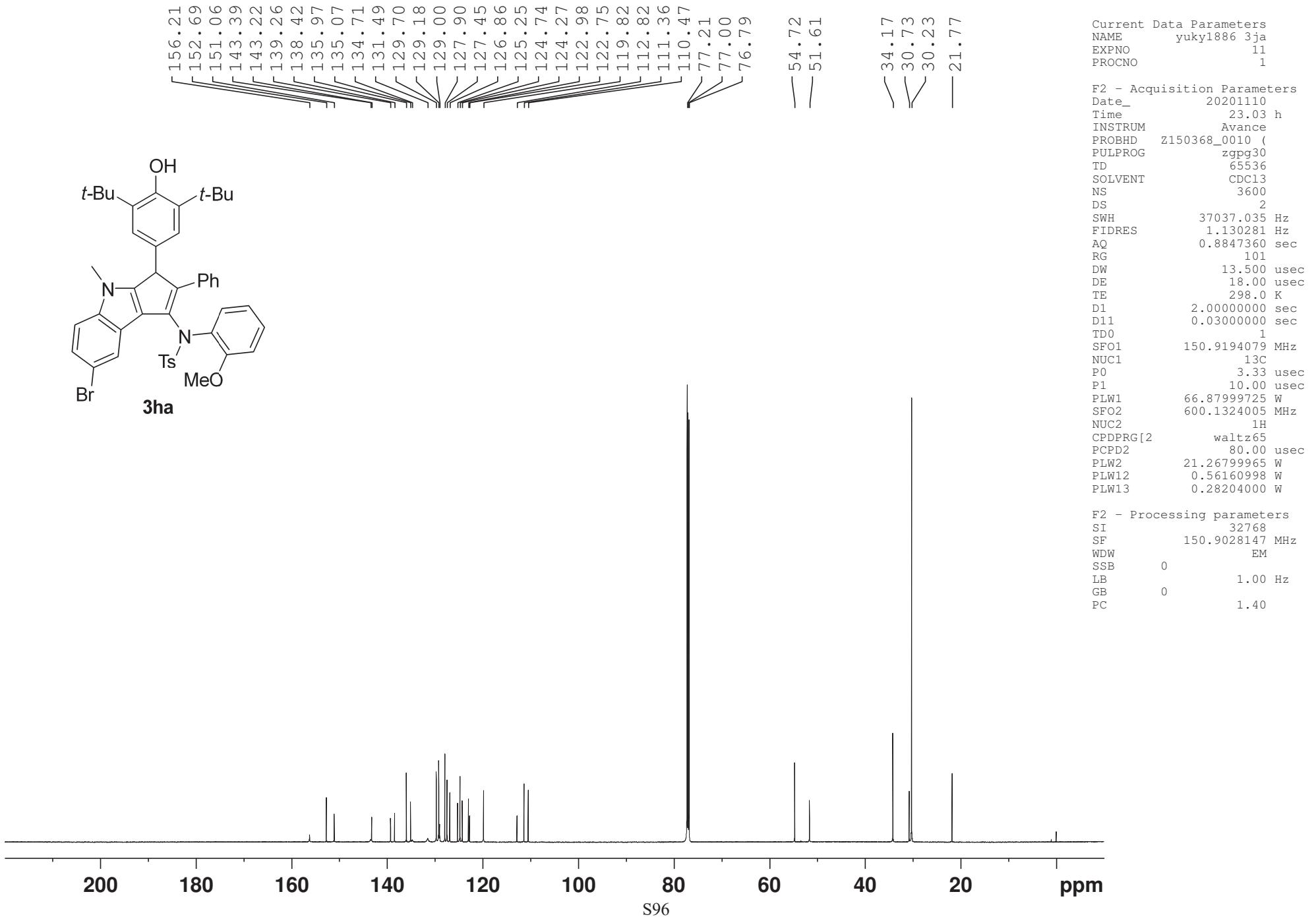
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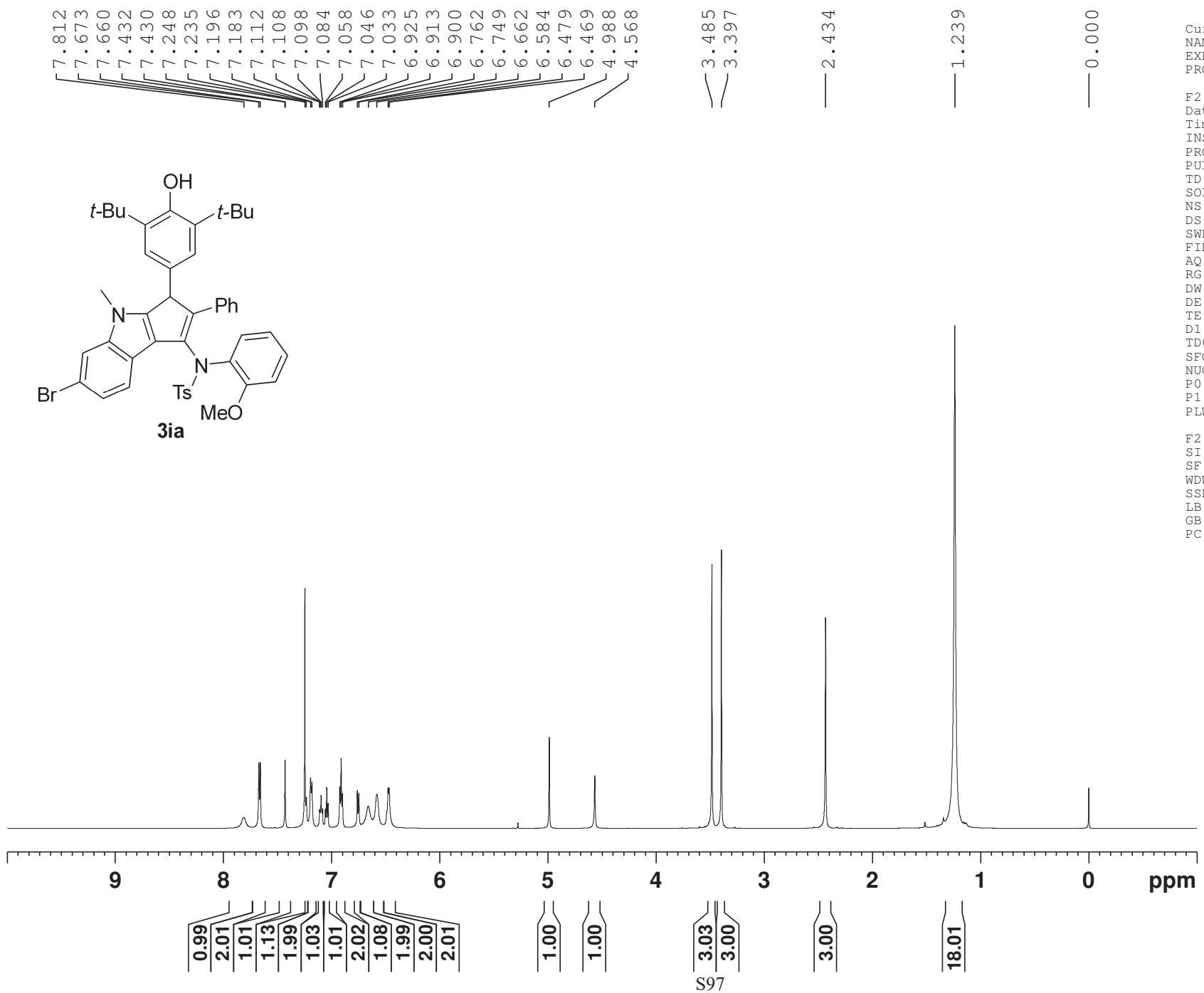








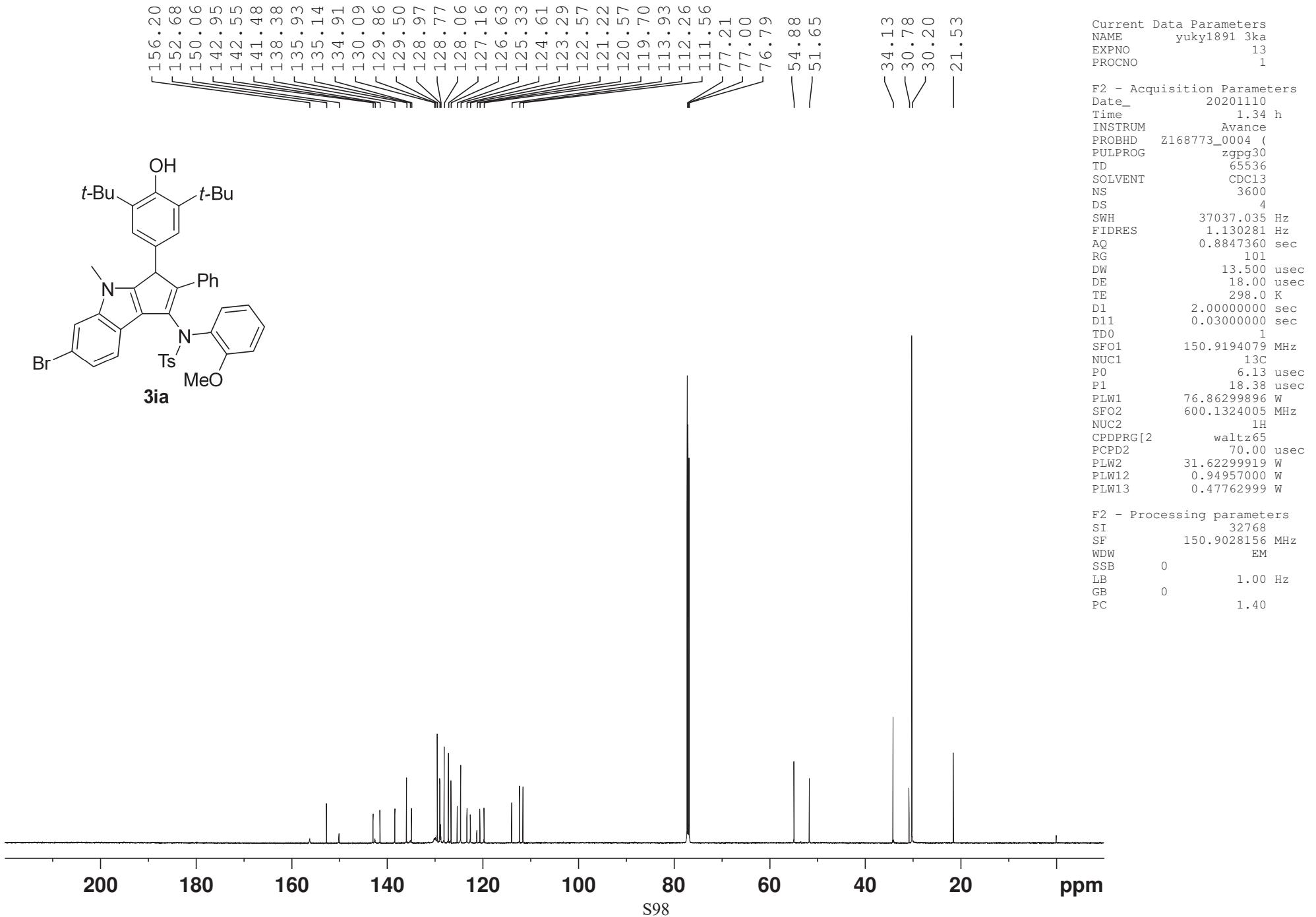


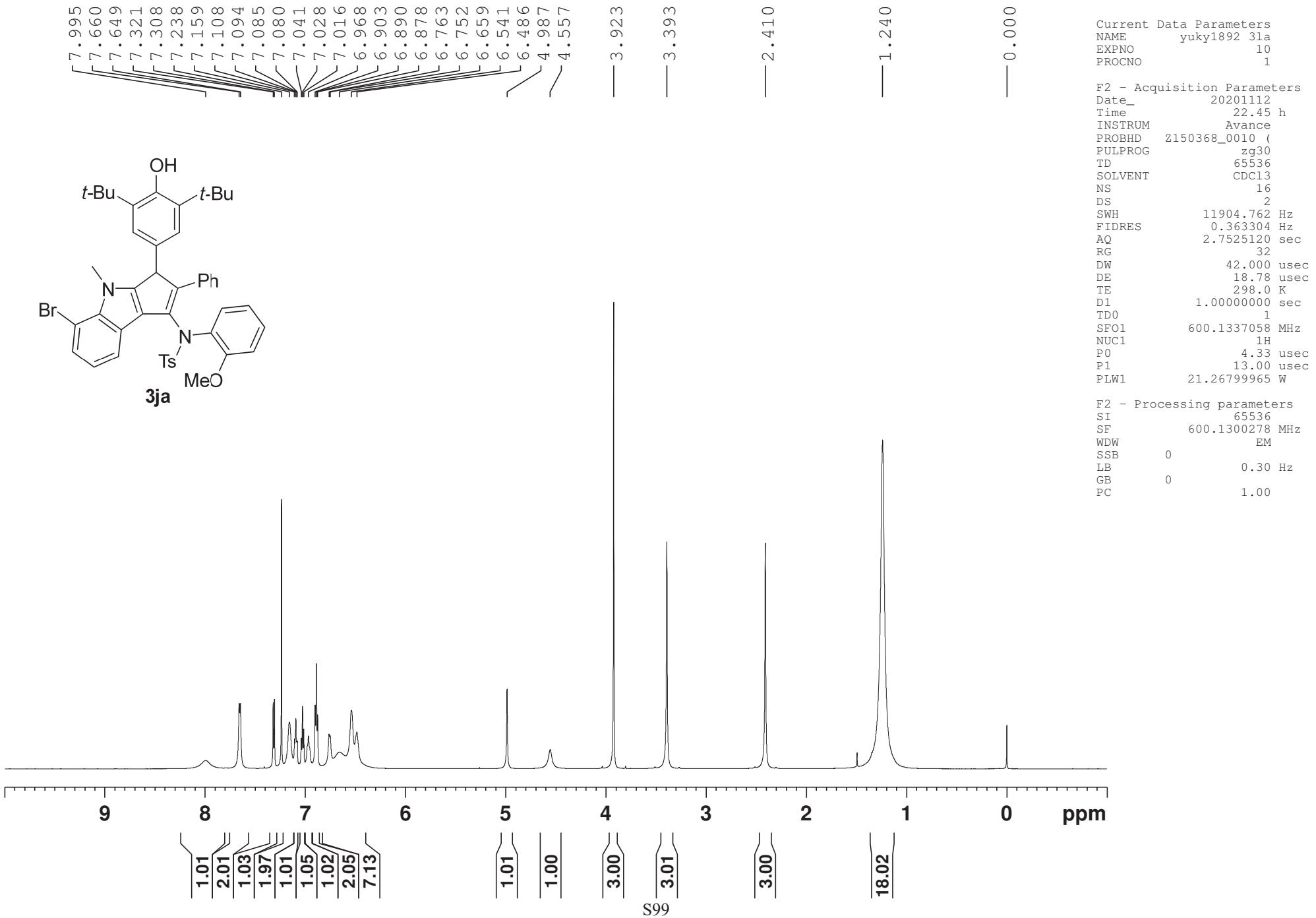


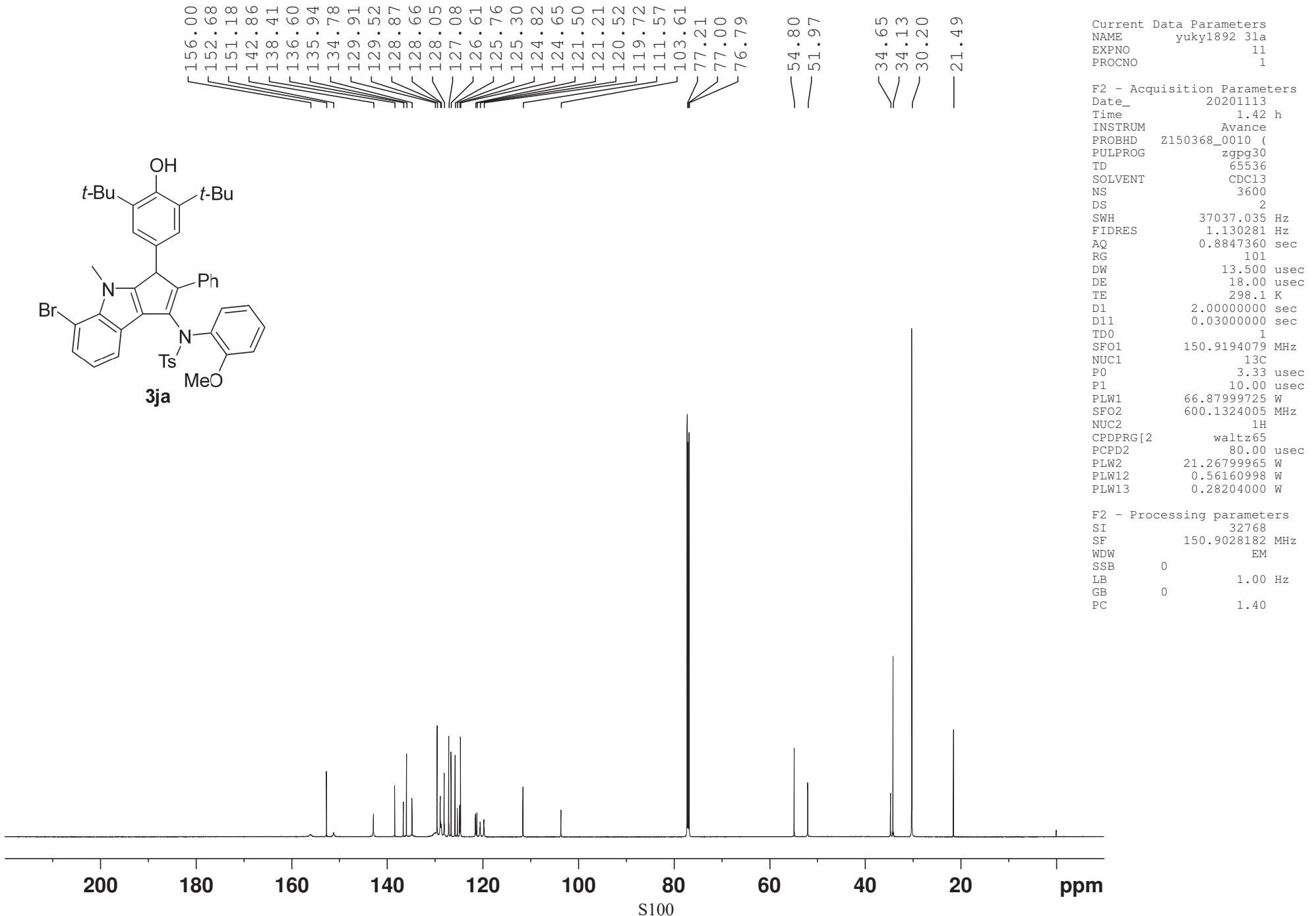
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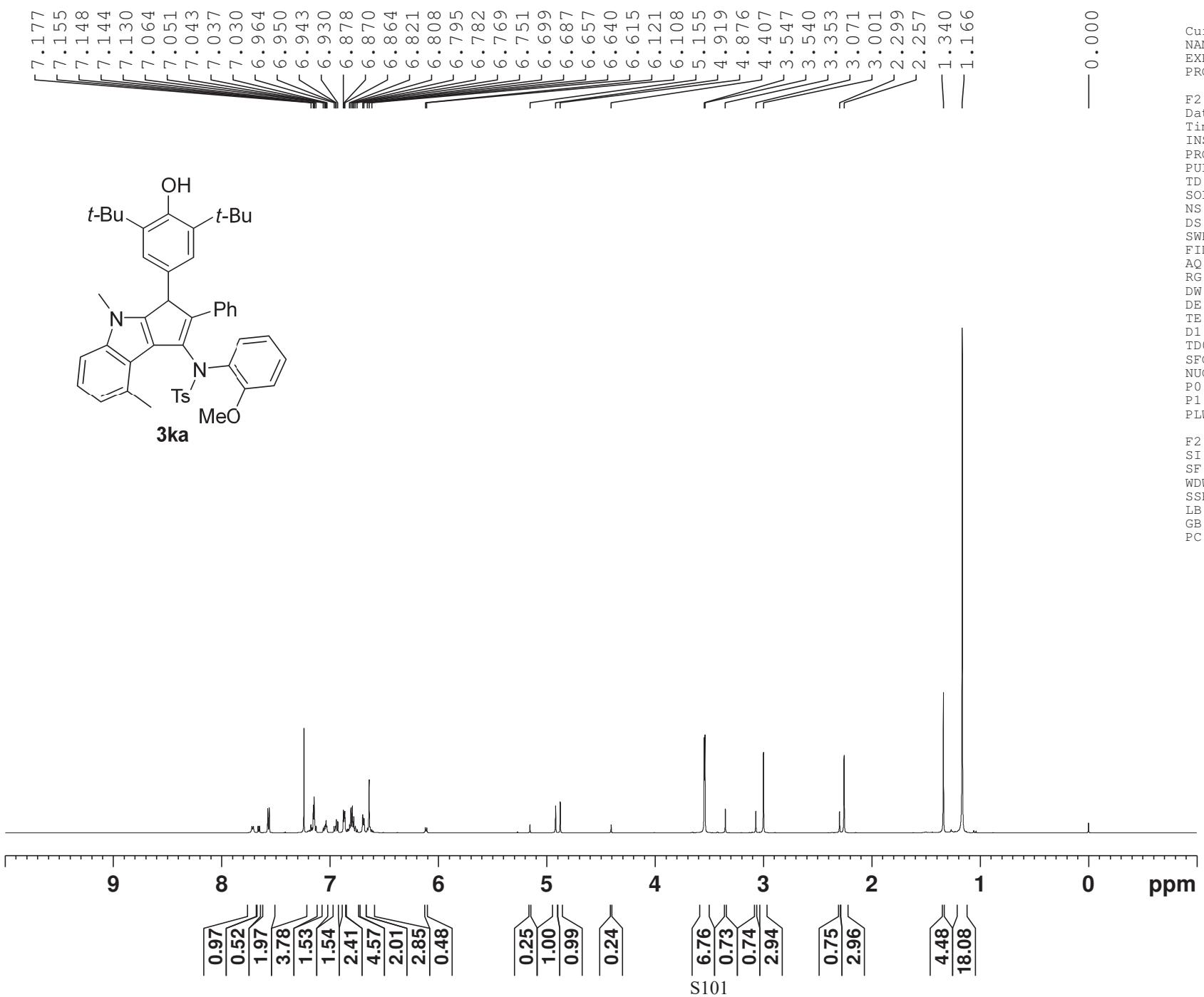
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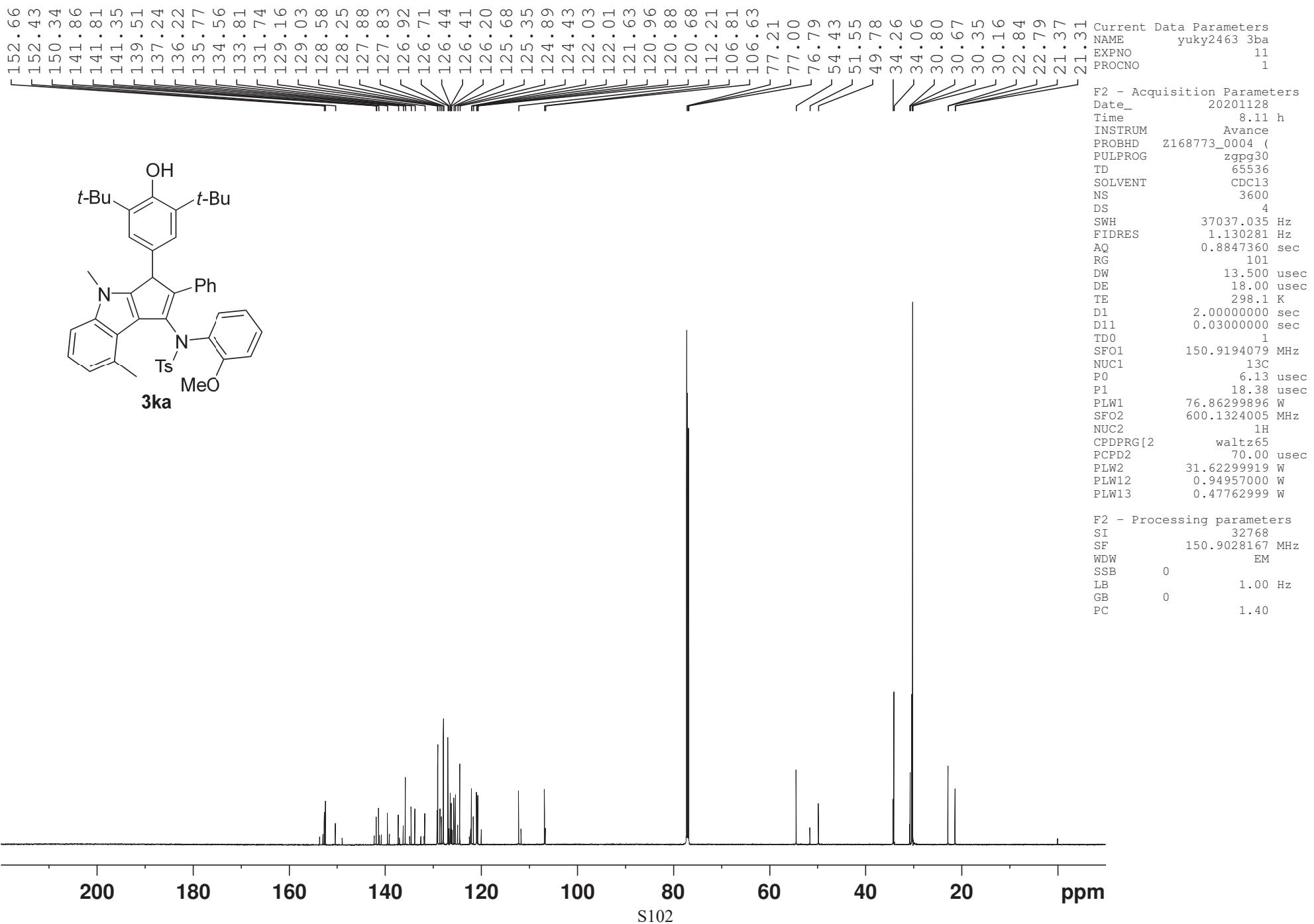


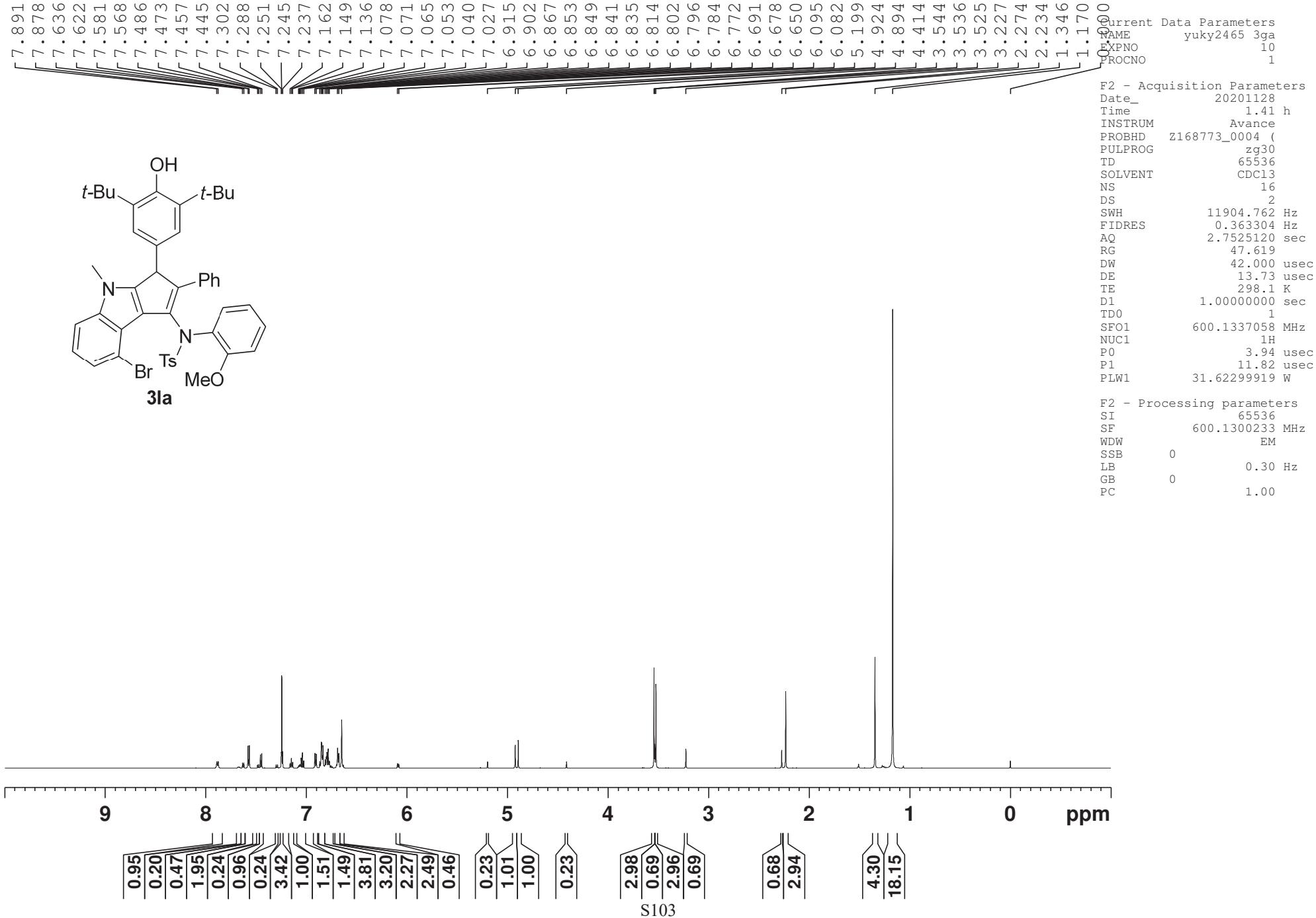


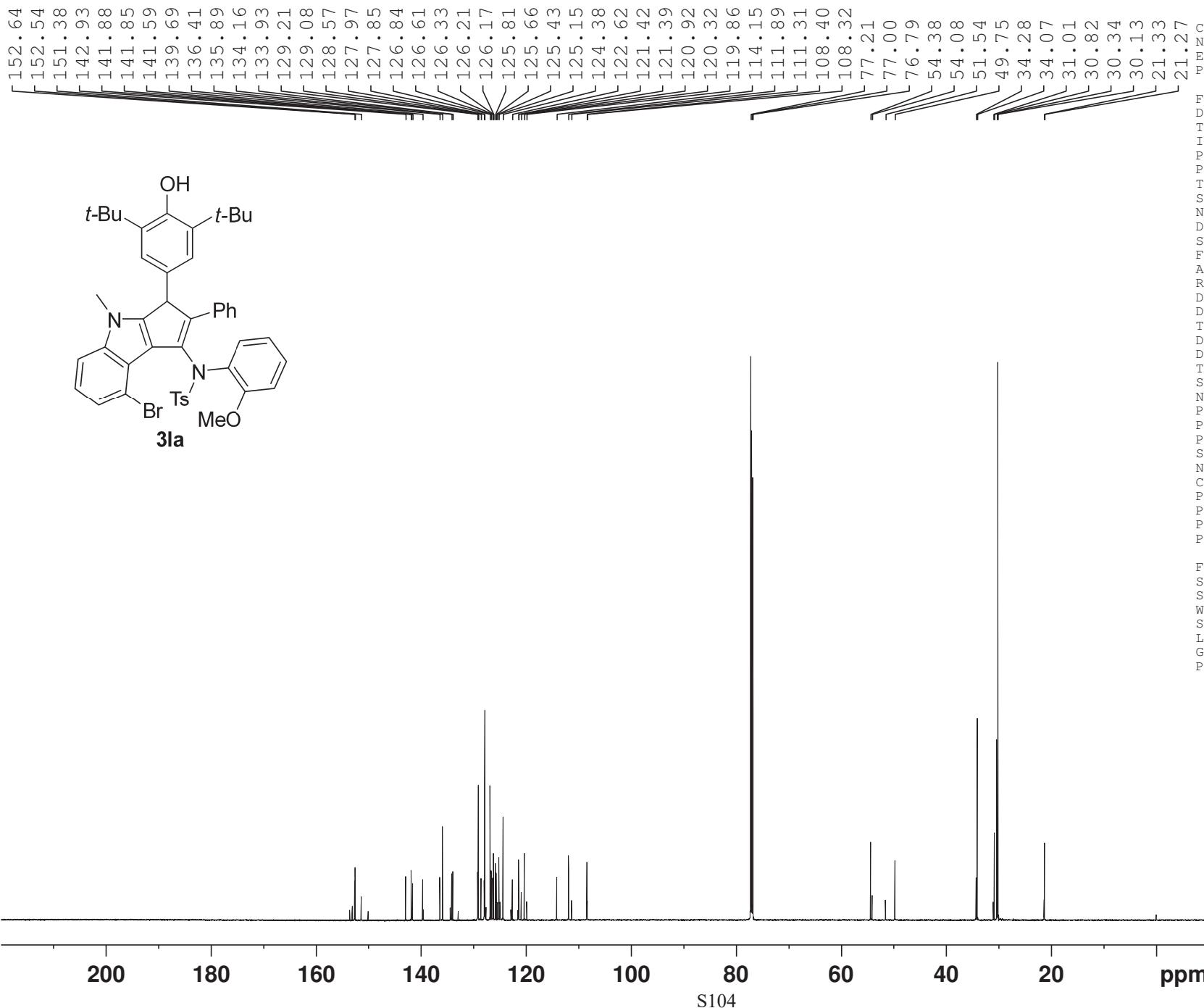
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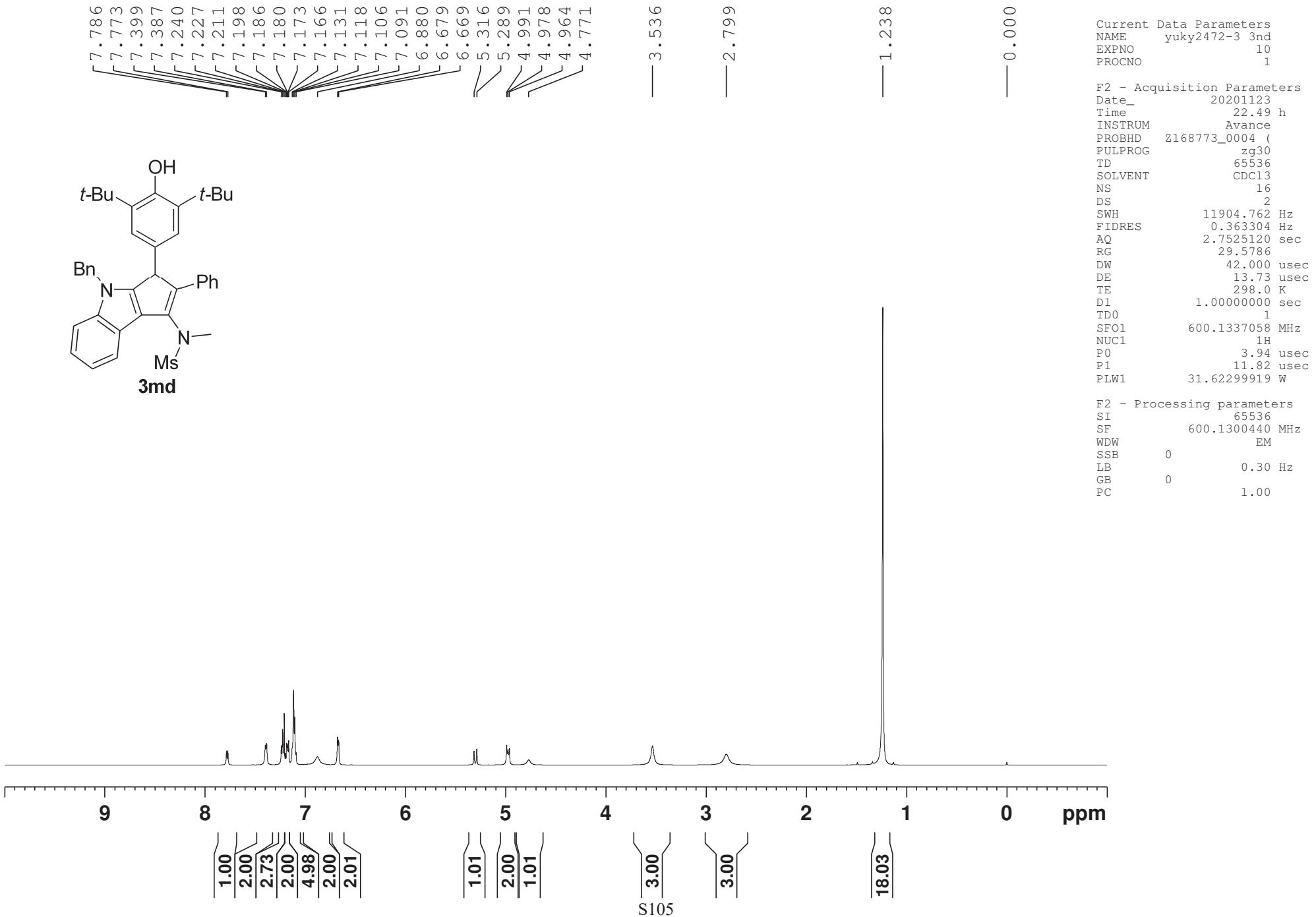


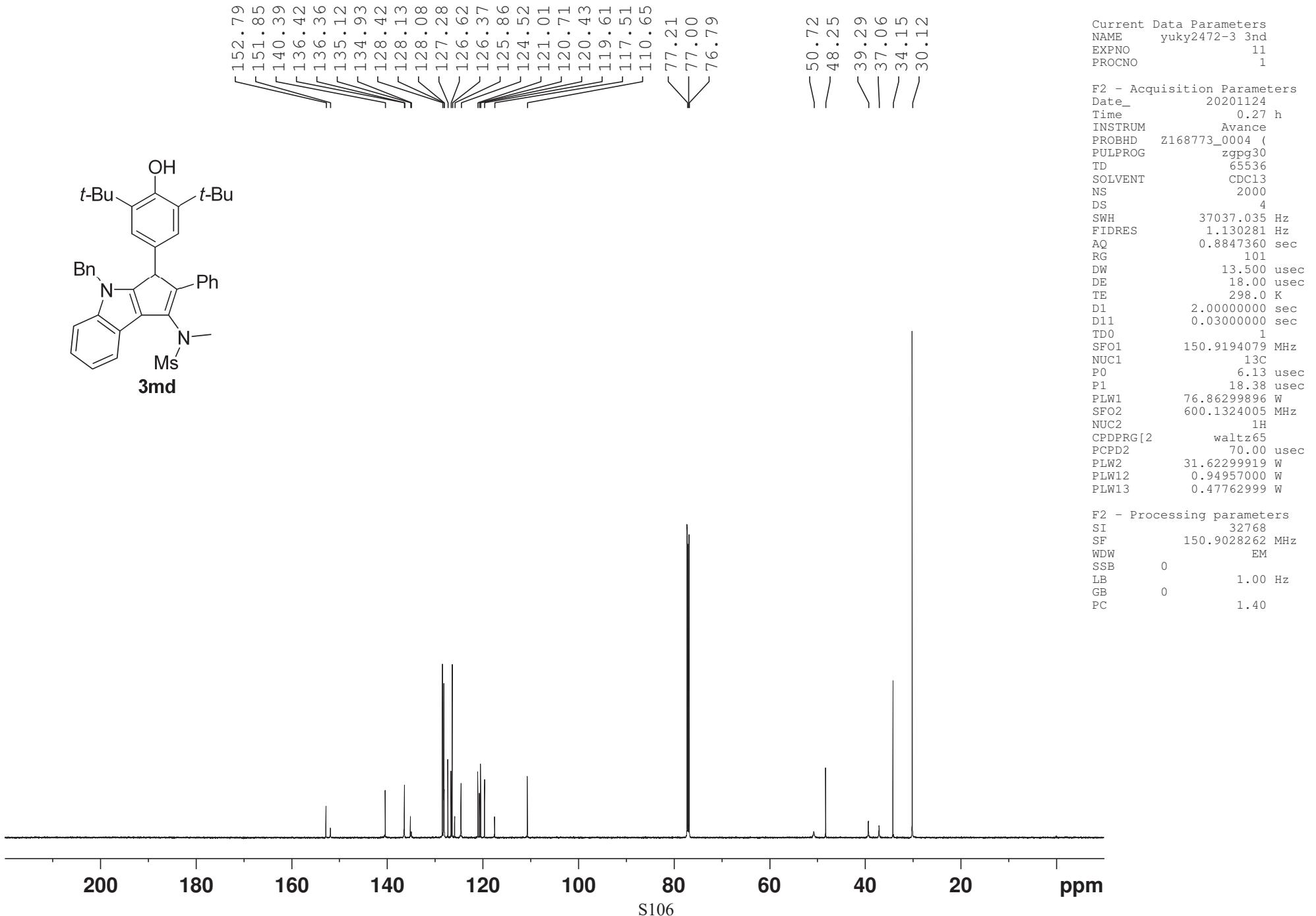


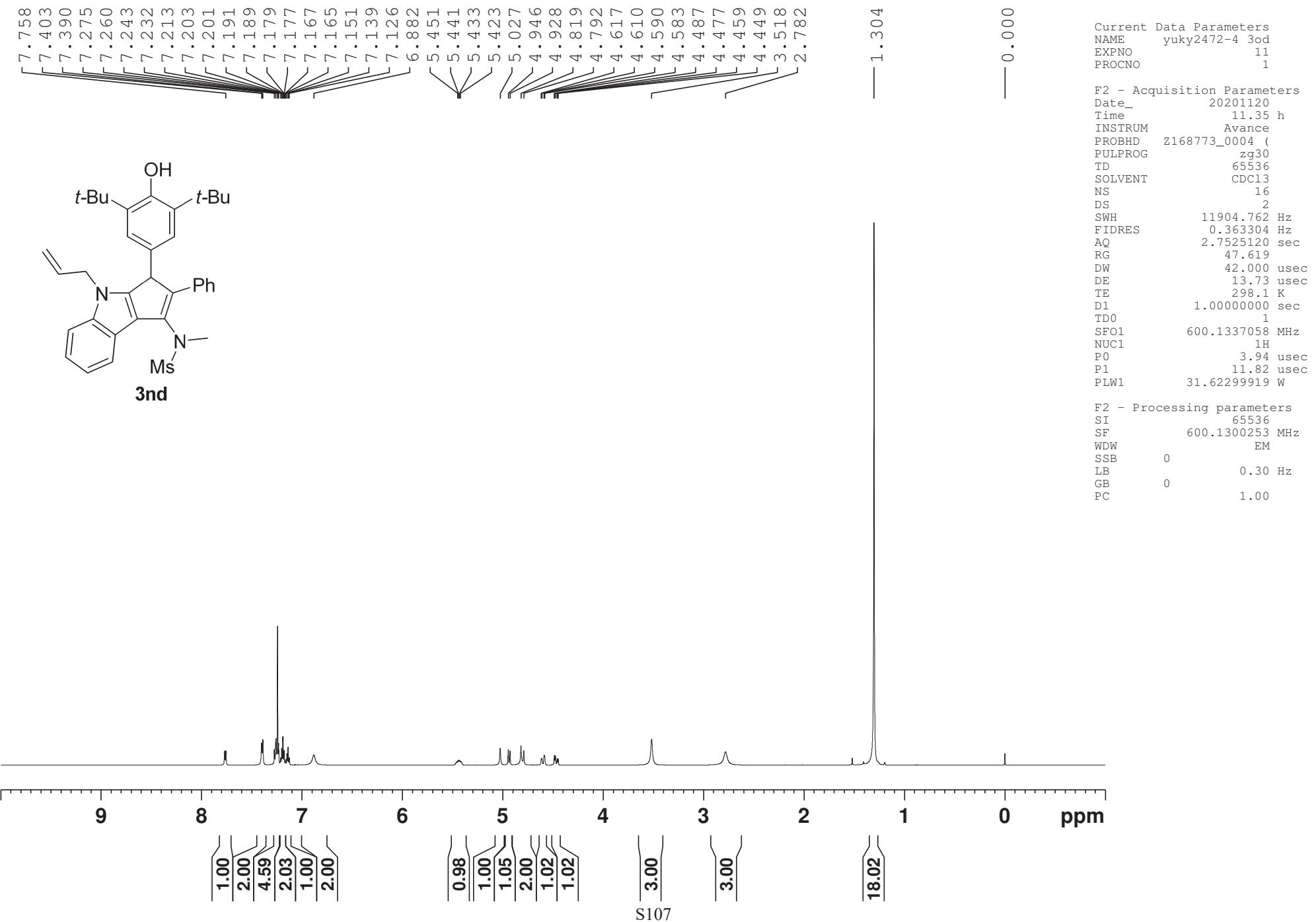
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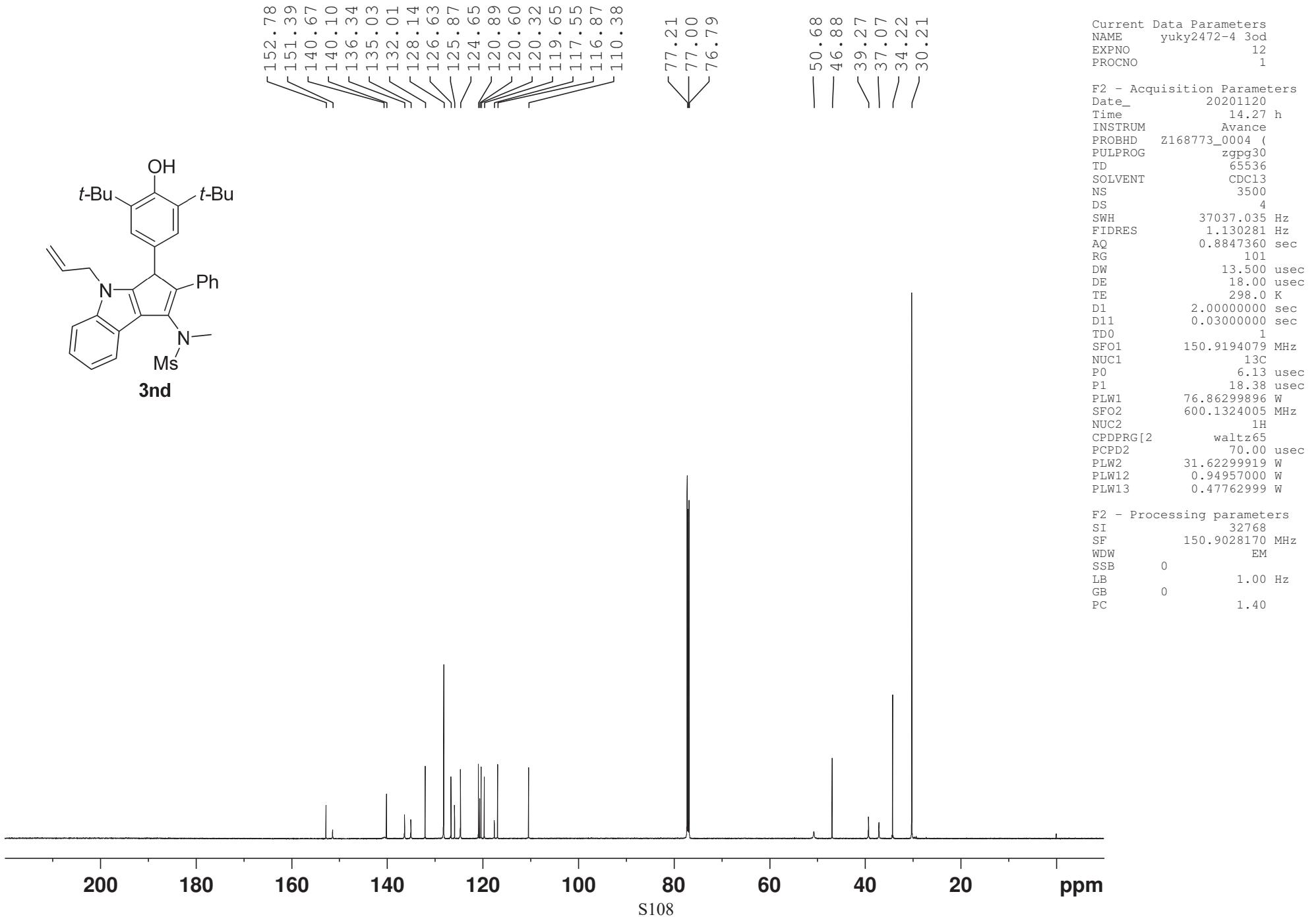
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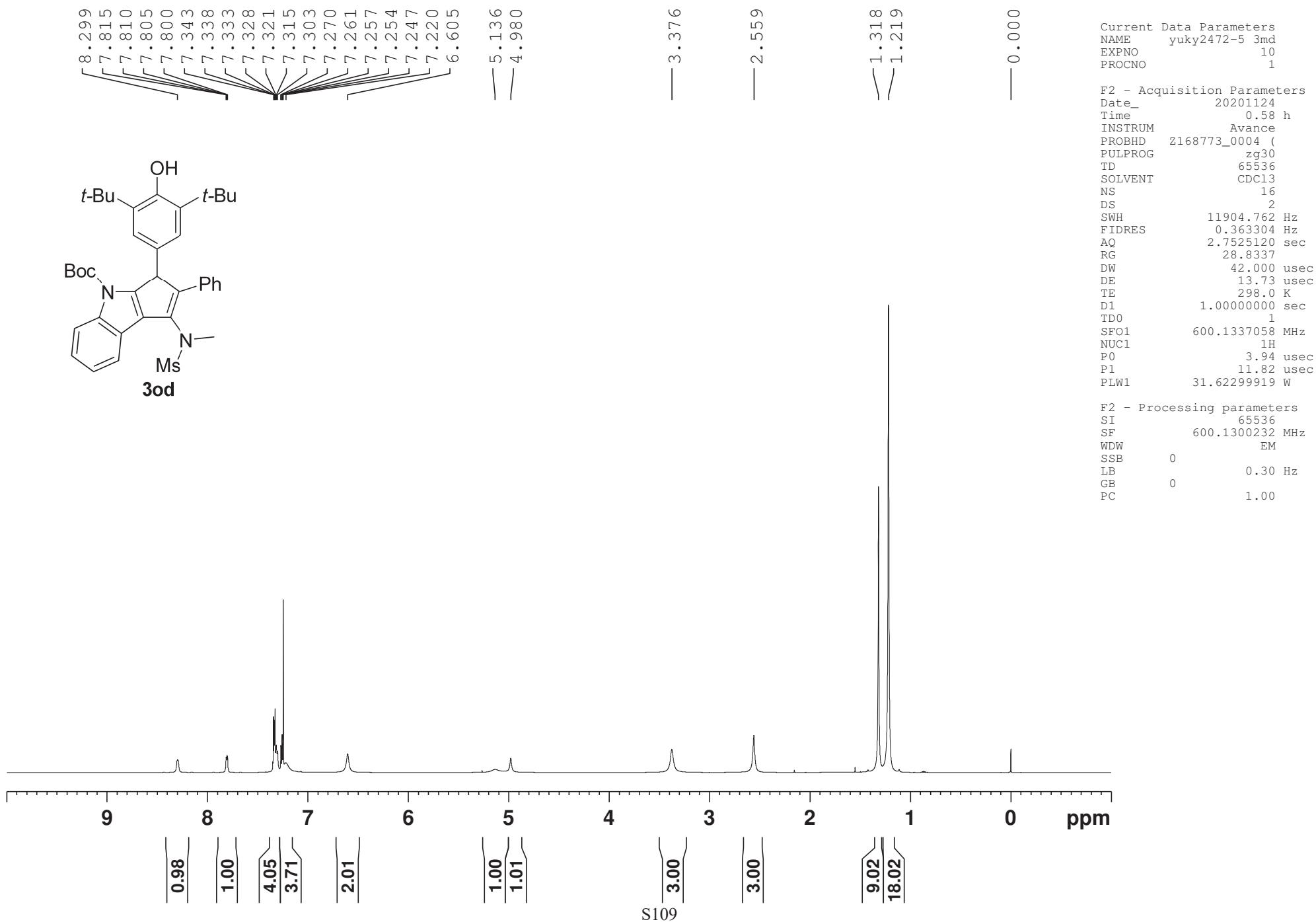
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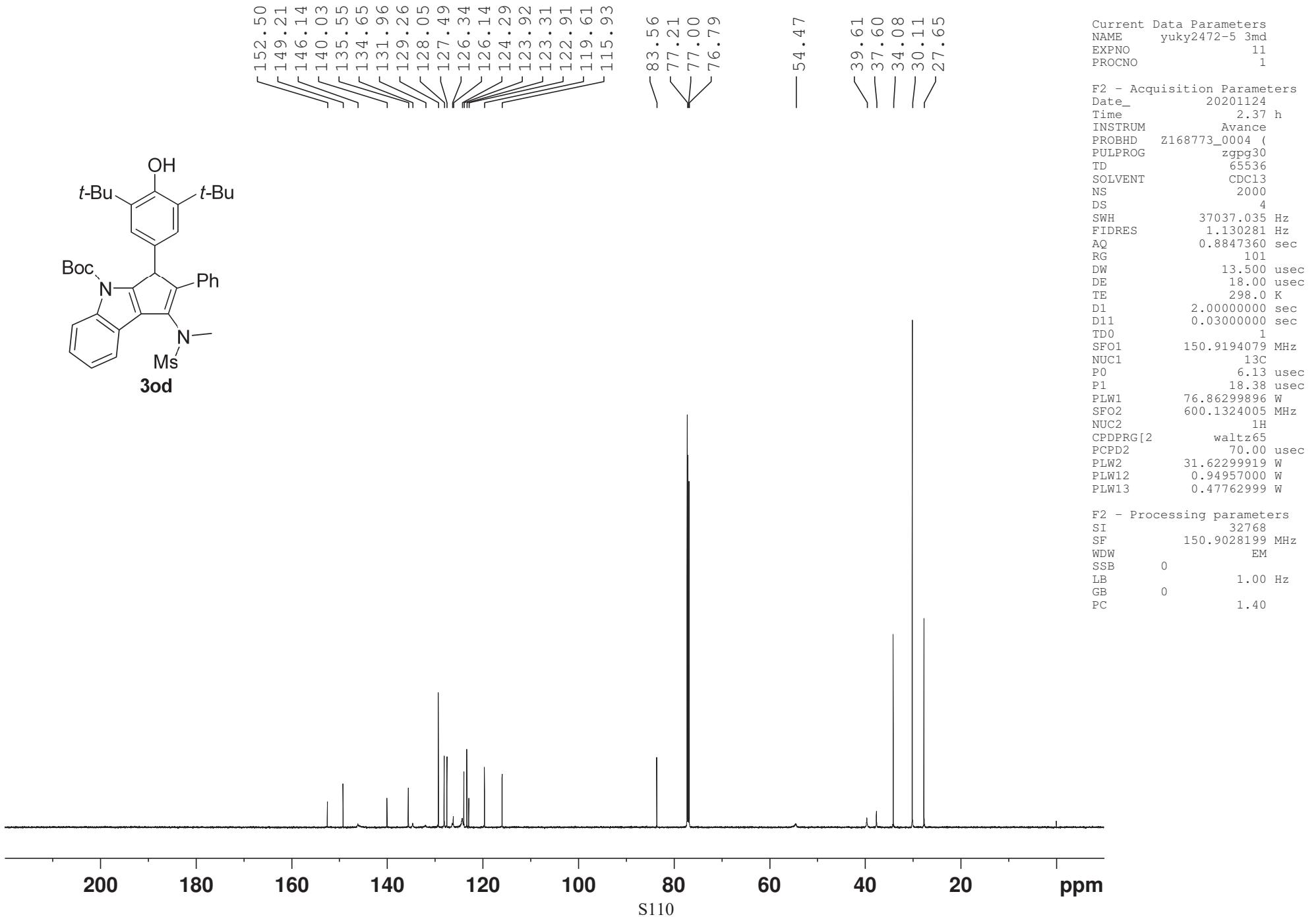


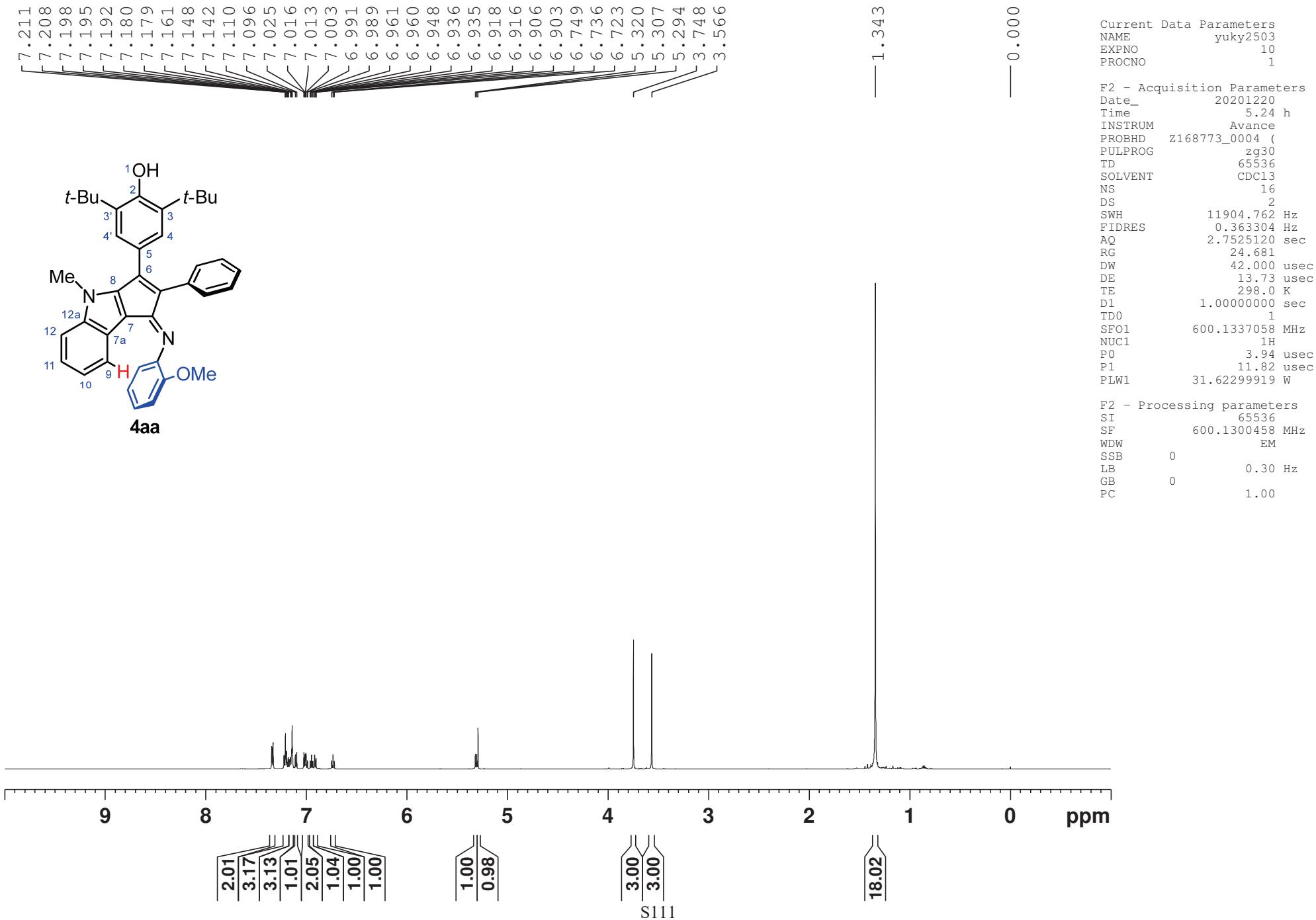


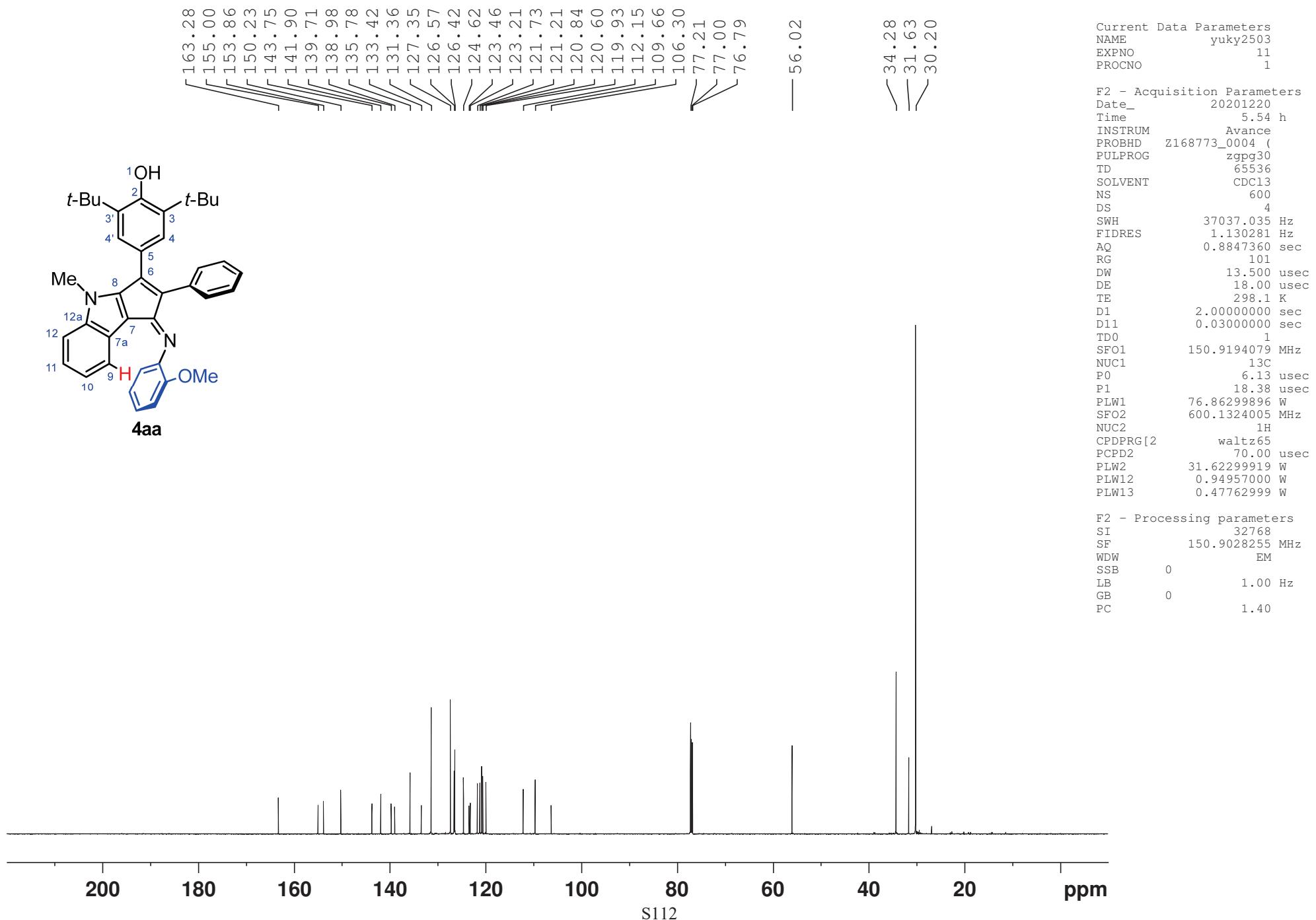


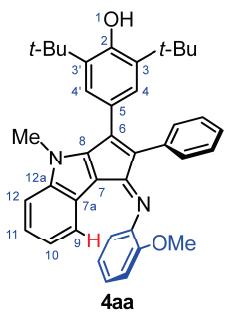




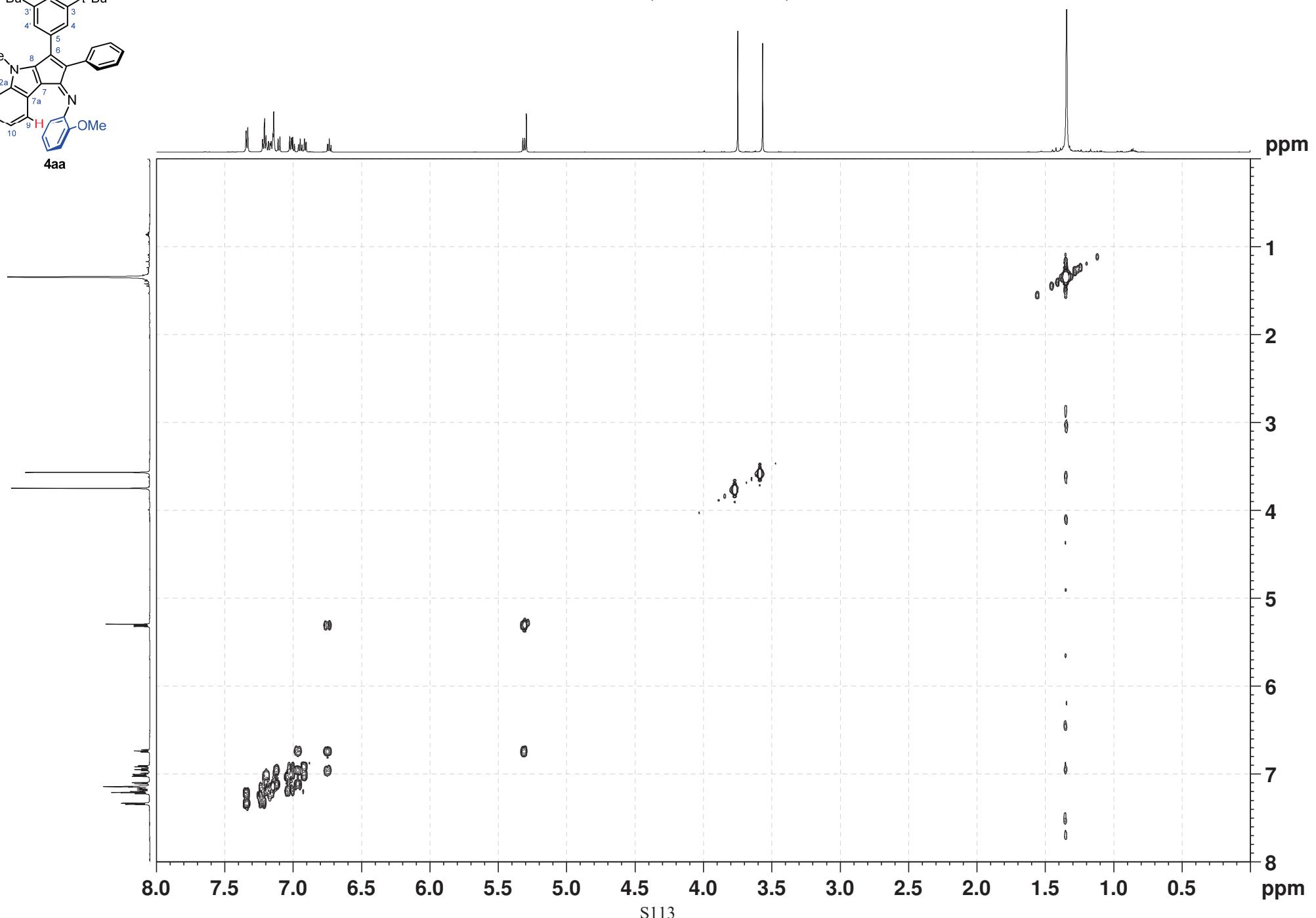


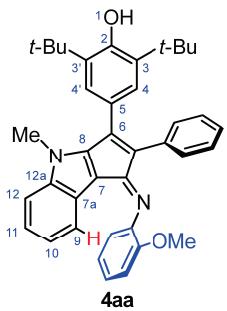






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