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Exploring F/CF₃ substituted oxocarbenium ions for the diastereoselective assembly of highly substituted tetrahydrofurans

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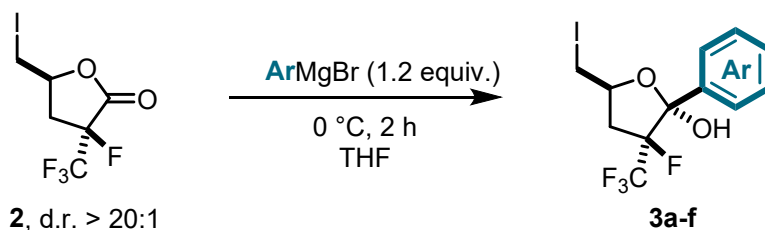
1. General Informations

Chromatography: Flash chromatographies were carried out using Merck 9385 Kieselgel 60 silica gel under air atmosphere or using puriFlash® columns (30 µm) on a CombiFlash® apparatus from Teledyne. Thin layer chromatographies were carried out on Merck Kieselgel 60 F254 0.2 mm plates. Visualization was accomplished using ultraviolet light (254 nm) and chemical staining with a solution of phosphomolybdic acid in EtOH as appropriated.

Data Collection: ¹H, ¹³C and ¹⁹F NMR spectra were recorded at 400 MHz or 500 MHz for ¹H, 100 MHz or 126 MHz for ¹³C and 376 MHz or 471 MHz for ¹⁹F on Bruker Avance Nandbay 400 MHz or Avance Neo Avance III 1BAY 500 MHz spectrometers at 298 ± 3 K using CDCl₃ as solvent unless otherwise stated. Chemical shifts (δ) are quoted in parts per million (ppm) relative to residual solvent (CHCl₃: δH = 7.26 ppm for ¹H and CDCl₃: δC = 77.16 ppm for ¹³C) or external standards (C₆F₆ for ¹⁹F). Coupling constants (*J*) are quoted to the nearest 0.1 Hz. The following abbreviations are used to indicate the multiplicity of the signals: s = singlet; d = doublet; t = triplet; q = quartet; m = multiplet; br = broad; and associated combinations, e.g. dd = doublet of doublets. DEPT 135 and 2-dimensional experiments (COSY, HSQC, HMBC and NOESY) were used to support assignments when appropriated. High resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were recorded on a Bruker Q-TOF Impact HD apparatus using a positive electrospray (ESI) ionization source. Melting points (M.p.) were recorded using a Büchi Melting Point B-545 apparatus.

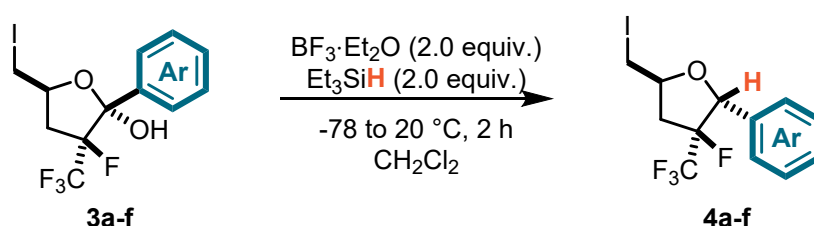
2. Synthesis of products

General procedure for the Grignard reagent addition:



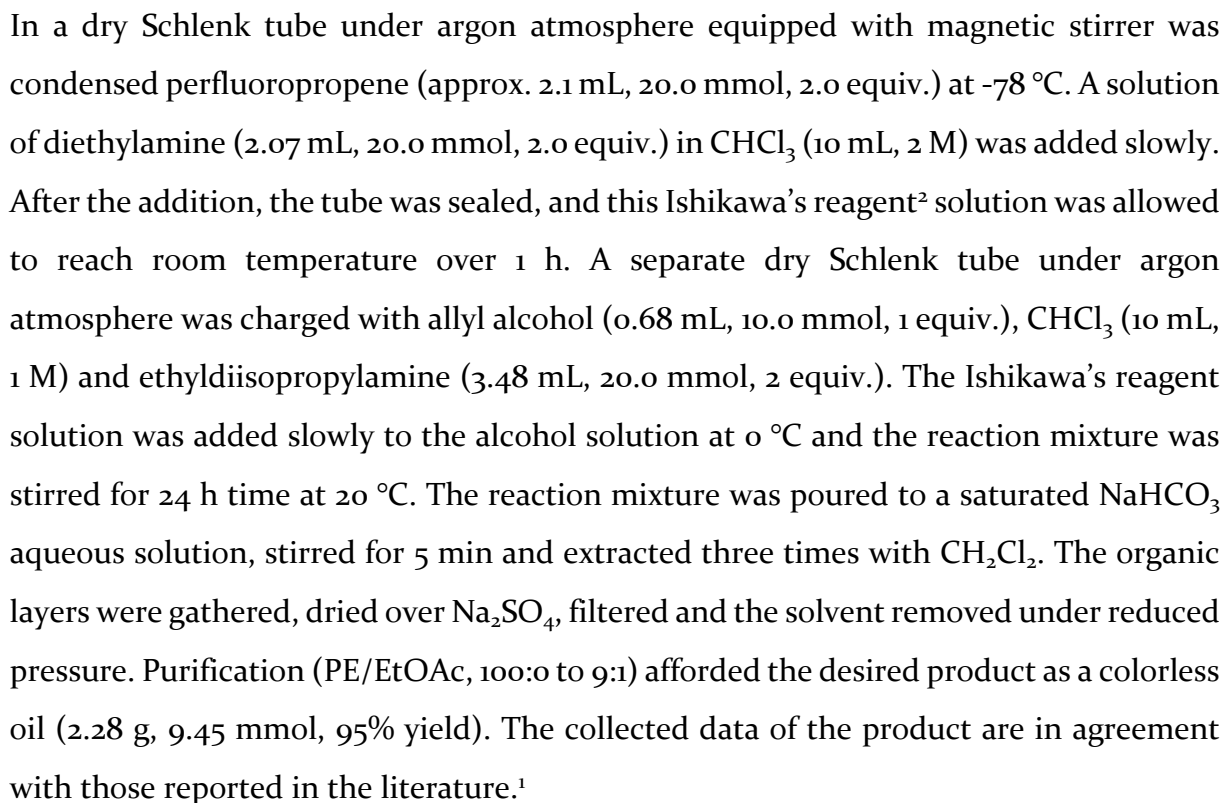
A dry flask under argon atmosphere equipped with a magnetic stirrer was charged with lactone **2** (1.0 equiv.) and THF (1 M). The solution was cooled to 0 °C, the Grignard reagent (1.2 equiv.) was added dropwise and the reaction was allowed to stir for 2 h at 0 °C. The reaction was quenched with a saturated NH_4Cl aqueous solution and extracted three times with CH_2Cl_2 . The organic layers were gathered, dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and the solvent removed under reduced pressure. Purification by flash column chromatography (SiO_2 , PE/EtOAc) afforded the desired product.

General procedure for the reduction:



A dry flask under argon atmosphere equipped with a magnetic stirrer was charged with hemiacetal **3** (1.0 equiv.) and CH_2Cl_2 (0.2 M). The solution was cooled to -78 °C and Et_3SiH (2.0 equiv.), then $\text{BF}_3 \cdot \text{Et}_2\text{O}$ (2.0 equiv.) were successively added. The cooling bath was removed and the reaction mixture was stirred for 2 h. The reaction was quenched with a saturated NaHCO_3 aqueous solution and vigorously stirred for 2 minutes. The layers were separated and the aqueous layer was extracted three times with CH_2Cl_2 . The organic layers were gathered, dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and the solvent removed under reduced pressure. Purification by flash column chromatography (SiO_2 , PE/EtOAc) afforded the desired product.

(SI-1) *N,N*-Diethyl-2-fluoro-2-(trifluoromethyl)pent-4-enamide¹



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.72 (ddt, *J* = 17.2, 10.1, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 5.26 (dd, *J* = 23.4, 6.1 Hz, 2H), 3.62 – 3.49 (m, 1H), 3.38 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H), 3.36 – 3.30 (m, 1H), 3.13 (ddd, ³*J*_{H,F} = 35.7, *J* = 14.3, 6.9 Hz, 1H), 2.68 (td, *J* = 14.3, 7.4 Hz, 1H), 1.18 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 1.14 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H).

(2) *trans*-3-Fluoro-5-(iodomethyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)tetrahydrofuran-2(3H)-one



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A flask equipped with a magnetic stirrer was charged with alkene-amide derivative **SI-1** (830 mg, 3.44 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and THF-H₂O (20 mL, 1:1 v/v, 0.17 M). The solution was cooled to 0 °C and iodine (2.62 g, 10.32 mmol, 3.0 equiv.) was added in one portion. The reaction mixture was vigorously stirred for 12 h at 0-5 °C. The reaction was quenched with Na₂S₂O₃ and extracted three times with CH₂Cl₂. The organic layers were gathered, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and the solvent removed under reduced pressure. Purification (PE/EtOAc, 100:0 to 90:10) afforded the desired product as a colorless oil (875 mg, 2.81 mmol, 82% yield, d.r. >20:1). Crude d.r. >20:1. The collected data of the product are in agreement with those reported in the literature.¹

R_f = 0.30 (PE/EtOAc, 9:1).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 4.61 (qdd, *J* = 7.3, 4.2, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 3.50 (dd, *J* = 10.6, 4.3 Hz, 1H), 3.35 (ddd, *J* = 10.6, 8.0, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 3.09 (ddd, *J* = 15.1, 10.7, 6.7 Hz, 1H), 2.53 (dddq, *J* = 25.4, 15.2, 7.5, 1.3 Hz, 1H).

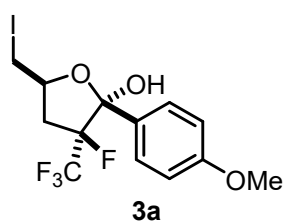
¹³C{¹H} NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 164.6 (d, *J* = 23.4 Hz), 121.1 (dd, *J* = 283.4, 31.1 Hz), 91.3 (dq, *J* = 205.5, 35.7 Hz), 75.3 (d, *J* = 4.3 Hz), 35.8 (d, *J* = 20.6 Hz), 5.1.

¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ -79.9 (dd, *J* = 12.4, 4.5 Hz), -169.3 – -169.5 (m).

IR (neat) ν_{max} (cm⁻¹): 3029, 2964, 1795, 1331, 1296, 1205, 1171, 1139, 1083, 999, 751.

HRMS (EI) Calcd. for C₆H₅F₄IO₂ [M]⁺ = 311.9265, found = 311.9256.

(3a) *trans,cis*-3-Fluoro-5-(iodomethyl)-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)tetrahydrofuran-2-ol



Following the **general procedure for the Grignard reagent addition** using **2** (312.0 mg, 1.00 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), THF (1.0 mL) and 4-methoxyphenylmagnesium bromide in solution in THF (1.2 mL, 1.2 mmol, 1.2 equiv., 1.0 M). Purification (PE/EtOAc, 100:0 to 85:15) afforded the desired product as a white solid (302 mg, 0.72 mmol, 72% yield, d.r. > 20:1). Crude d.r. > 20:1.

R_f = 0.20 (PE/EtOAc, 85:15).

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M.p. = 131-132 °C (EtOAc).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.55 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.94 – 6.87 (m, 2H), 4.43 (dddt, J = 9.5, 7.2, 5.5, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.44 (dd, J = 10.0, 5.3 Hz, 1H), 3.36 (dd, J = 10.1, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 3.25 (d, J = 4.3 Hz, 1H), 2.95 (ddd, J = 35.9, 14.8, 8.5 Hz, 1H), 2.31 (dddd, J = 26.9, 14.9, 4.4, 1.0 Hz, 1H).

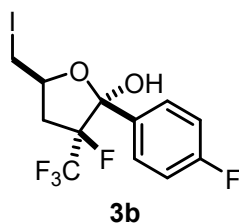
¹³C{¹H} NMR (126 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 160.7, 129.3, 128.0, 122.1 (qd, J = 282.8, 29.8 Hz), 113.4, 106.6 (d, J = 28.5 Hz), 98.9 (dq, J = 194.0, 31.2 Hz), 75.3, 55.4, 37.3 (d, J = 20.9 Hz), 7.7.

¹⁹F{¹H} NMR (471 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ -74.4 (d, J = 7.0 Hz), -160.9 (dddd, J = 34.5, 27.1, 12.3, 6.6 Hz).

IR (neat) ν_{max} (cm⁻¹): 3377, 2973, 2949, 1613, 1516, 1258, 1185, 1164, 1129, 1089, 1020, 984, 839, 677.

HRMS (EI) Calcd. for C₁₃H₁₃F₄IO₃ [M]⁺ = 419.9840, found = 419.9813.

(3b) *trans,cis*-3-Fluoro-2-(4-fluorophenyl)-5-(iodomethyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)tetrahydrofuran-2-ol



Following the **general procedure for the Grignard reagent addition** using **2** (312.0 mg, 1.00 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), THF (1.0 mL) and 4-fluorophenylmagnesium bromide in solution in THF (1.5 mL, 1.2 mmol, 1.2 equiv., 0.8 M). Purification (PE/EtOAc, 100:0 to 90:10) afforded the desired product as a white solid (359 mg, 0.88 mmol, 88% yield, d.r. > 20:1). Crude d.r. > 20:1.

R_f = 0.30 (PE/EtOAc, 9:1).

M.p. = 108-109 °C (EtOAc).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.62 (dd, J = 8.6, 5.3 Hz, 2H), 7.12 – 7.03 (m, 2H), 4.57 – 4.48 (m, 1H), 3.46 (dd, J = 10.2, 5.5 Hz, 1H), 3.39 (dd, J = 10.2, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 3.10 (d, J = 4.3 Hz, 1H), 2.98 (ddd, J = 35.5, 14.9, 8.5 Hz, 1H), 2.34 (dddd, J = 27.0, 14.9, 4.3, 1.0 Hz, 1H).

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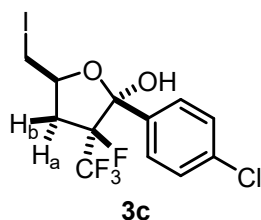
$^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 163.8 (d, J = 249.1 Hz), 131.8 (d, J = 3.0 Hz), 130.0 (d, J = 8.4 Hz), 122.1 (qd, J = 282.5, 29.6 Hz), 115.1 (d, J = 21.7 Hz), 106.3 (d, J = 28.4 Hz), 99.1 (dq, J = 194.8, 31.5 Hz), 75.7, 37.3 (d, J = 20.7 Hz), 7.3.

$^{19}\text{F}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (376 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ -74.4 (d, J = 6.7 Hz), -111.8, -160.8 (q, J = 7.0 Hz).

IR (neat) ν_{max} (cm^{-1}): 3400, 2964, 2960, 1604, 1510, 1204, 1187, 1128, 1081, 1028, 989, 835, 811, 733.

HRMS (EI) Calcd. for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{10}\text{F}_5\text{IO}_2$ $[\text{M}]^+ = 407.9640$, found = 407.9618.

(3c) *trans,cis*-2-(4-Chlorophenyl)-3-fluoro-5-(iodomethyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)tetrahydrofuran-2-ol



Following the **general procedure for the Grignard reagent addition** using **2** (281.0 mg, 0.90 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), THF (0.9 mL) and 4-chlorophenylmagnesium bromide in solution in 2-MeTHF (1.1 mL, 1.1 mmol, 1.2 equiv., 1 M). Purification (PE/EtOAc, 100:0 to 95:5) afforded the desired product as a white solid (247 mg, 0.58 mmol, 65% yield, d.r. > 20:1). Crude d.r. > 20:1.

R_f = 0.50 (PE/EtOAc, 9:1).

M.p. = 130-131 °C (EtOAc).

^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.57 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.40 – 7.33 (m, 2H), 4.57 (dddd, J = 8.8, 7.2, 5.8, 4.4, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 3.46 (dd, J = 10.2, 5.5 Hz, 1H), 3.40 (dd, J = 10.1, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 3.04 (brs, 1H), 2.99 (ddd, J = 35.5, 15.0, 8.6 Hz, 1H), 2.35 (ddd, J = 27.1, 14.9, 4.1 Hz, 1H).

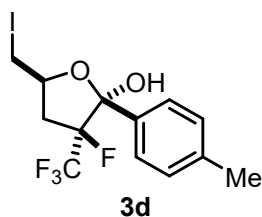
$^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 136.1, 134.4, 129.4, 128.3, 122.0 (qd, J = 282.4, 29.5 Hz), 106.2 (d, J = 28.5 Hz), 99.1 (dq, J = 195.0, 31.4 Hz), 75.8, 37.2 (d, J = 20.5 Hz), 7.4.

^{19}F NMR (471 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -74.4 (d, J = 6.9 Hz), -160.9 – -161.1 (m).

IR (neat) ν_{max} (cm^{-1}): 3441, 2945, 1495, 1438, 1294, 1204, 1163, 1092, 1004, 988, 832, 729, 672.

HRMS (EI) Calcd. for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{10}\text{ClF}_4\text{IO}_2$ $[\text{M}]^+ = 423.9345$, found = 423.9341.

(3d) *trans,cis*-3-Fluoro-5-(iodomethyl)-2-(*p*-tolyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)tetrahydrofuran-2-ol



Following the **general procedure for the Grignard reagent addition** using **2** (312.0 mg, 1.00 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), THF (1.0 mL) and *p*-tolylmagnesium bromide in solution in Et₂O (2.4 mL, 1.2 mmol, 1.2 equiv., 0.5 M). Purification (PE/EtOAc, 100:0 to 95:5) afforded the desired product as a white solid (306 mg, 0.76 mmol, 76% yield, d.r. > 20:1). Crude d.r. > 20:1.

R_f = 0.50 (PE/EtOAc, 9:1).

M.p. = 152-153 °C (EtOAc).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.52 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.21 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 4.60 – 4.37 (m, 1H), 3.52 – 3.43 (m, 1H), 3.43 – 3.34 (m, 1H), 3.18 – 2.90 (m, 2H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 2.36 – 2.27 (m, 1H).

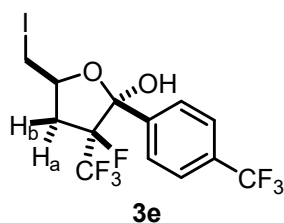
¹³C{¹H} NMR (126 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 139.9, 133.0, 128.8, 127.8, 122.1 (qd, *J* = 282.9, 29.6 Hz), 106.6 (d, *J* = 28.5 Hz), 99.1 (dq, *J* = 194.1, 31.6 Hz), 75.5, 37.3 (d, *J* = 20.6 Hz), 21.4, 7.6.

¹⁹F NMR (471 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ -74.4 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz), -161.0 (ddt, *J* = 33.1, 27.0, 6.2 Hz).

IR (neat) ν_{max} (cm⁻¹): 3380, 3033, 2945, 1416, 1280, 1202, 1190, 1174, 1129, 1089, 1020, 914, 810, 732.

HRMS (EI) Calcd. for C₁₃H₁₃F₄IO₂ [M]⁺ = 403.9891, found = 403.9887.

(3e) *trans,cis*-3-Fluoro-5-(iodomethyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-2-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)tetrahydrofuran-2-ol



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Following the **general procedure for the Grignard reagent addition** using **2** (281.0 mg, 0.90 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), THF (0.9 mL) and 4-trifluorophenylmagnesium bromide in solution in Et₂O (2.2 mL, 1.1 mmol, 1.2 equiv., 0.5 M). Purification (PE/EtOAc, 100:0 to 95:5) afforded the desired product as a white solid (285 mg, 0.62 mmol, 69% yield, d.r. > 20:1). Crude d.r. > 20:1.

R_f = 0.50 (PE/EtOAc, 9:1).

M.p. = 113–114 °C (EtOAc).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.78 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.66 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 4.65 – 4.58 (m, 1H), 3.49 (dd, *J* = 10.2, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 3.43 (dd, *J* = 10.2, 7.1 Hz, 1H), 3.05 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 3.02 (ddd, *J* = 35.3, 14.9, 8.5 Hz, 1H), 2.38 (ddd, *J* = 27.2, 14.9, 4.3 Hz, 1H).

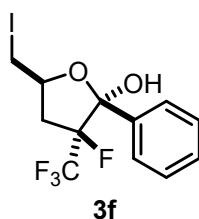
¹³C{¹H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 139.7, 132.0 (q, *J* = 32.7 Hz), 128.6, 125.0 (q, *J* = 3.7 Hz), 124.0 (q, *J* = 272.0 Hz), 121.9 (qd, *J* = 282.6, 29.7 Hz), 106.0 (d, *J* = 28.6 Hz), 99.3 (dq, *J* = 195.7, 31.6 Hz), 76.1, 37.3 (d, *J* = 20.7 Hz), 7.2.

¹⁹F NMR (471 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -62.8, -74.4 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz), -160.9 – -161.2 (m).

IR (neat) ν_{max} (cm⁻¹): 3405, 2950, 1328, 1182, 1161, 1121, 1069, 1014, 989, 838, 734.

HRMS (EI) Calcd. for C₁₃H₁₀F₇IO₂ [M]⁺ = 457.9608, found = 457.9609.

(3f) *trans,cis*-3-Fluoro-5-(iodomethyl)-2-phenyl-3-(trifluoromethyl)tetrahydrofuran-2-ol



Following the **general procedure for the Grignard reagent addition** using **2** (281.0 mg, 0.90 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), THF (0.9 mL) and phenylmagnesium bromide in solution in THF (1.1 mL, 1.1 mmol, 1.2 equiv., 1 M). Purification (PE/EtOAc, 100:0 to 97:3) afforded the desired product as a white solid (275 mg, 0.71 mmol, 78% yield, d.r. > 20:1). Crude d.r. > 20:1.

R_f = 0.50 (PE/EtOAc, 9:1).

M.p. = 114–115 °C (EtOAc).

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^1H NMR (500 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.67 – 7.62 (m, 2H), 7.46 – 7.37 (m, 3H), 4.55 – 4.48 (m, 1H), 3.47 (dd, J = 10.1, 5.4 Hz, 2H), 3.40 (dd, J = 10.0, 7.5 Hz, 1H), 3.13 (d, J = 4.3 Hz, 1H), 2.98 (ddd, J = 35.5, 14.8, 8.5 Hz, 1H), 2.34 (dddd, J = 27.0, 14.9, 4.3, 1.0 Hz, 1H).

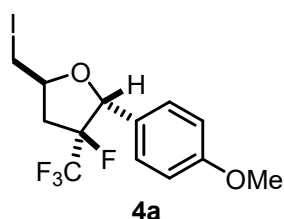
$^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (126 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 135.9, 129.9, 128.1, 127.9, 122.1 (qd, J = 282.6, 29.7 Hz), 106.5 (d, J = 28.8 Hz), 99.1 (dq, J = 194.9, 31.3 Hz), 75.6, 37.3 (d, J = 20.9 Hz), 7.6.

^{19}F NMR (471 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ -74.4 (d, J = 6.9 Hz), -161.0 – -161.3 (m).

IR (neat) ν_{max} (cm^{-1}): 3380, 3036, 2943, 1356, 1284, 1189, 1131, 1100, 1024, 988, 909, 767, 701.

HRMS (EI) Calcd. for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{11}\text{F}_4\text{IO}_2$ $[\text{M}]^+ = 389.9734$, found = 389.9719.

(4a) *trans-cis*-3-Fluoro-5-(iodomethyl)-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)tetrahydrofuran



Following the **general procedure for the reduction** using **3a** (42.0 mg, 0.10 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), CH_2Cl_2 (0.5 mL), Et_3SiH (32 μL , 0.20 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) and $\text{BF}_3 \cdot \text{Et}_2\text{O}$ (25 μL , 0.20 mmol, 2.0 equiv.). Purification (PE/EtOAc, 100:0 to 95:5) afforded the desired product as a colorless oil (32.3 mg, 0.08 mmol, 80% yield, d.r. > 20:1). Crude d.r. = 18:1.

R_f = 0.50 (PE/EtOAc, 9:1).

^1H NMR (500 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.21 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 6.90 – 6.85 (m, 2H), 5.41 (d, J = 21.5 Hz, 1H), 4.81 (tdd, J = 8.6, 5.2, 3.3 Hz, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.45 (dd, J = 9.9, 5.3 Hz, 1H), 3.39 (ddd, J = 9.7, 9.2, 0.7 Hz, 1H), 2.77 (ddd, J = 30.1, 14.9, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 2.57 (ddd, J = 21.6, 14.9, 3.3 Hz, 1H).

$^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (126 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 160.1, 128.2, 126.9 (d, J = 7.3 Hz), 122.2 (qd, J = 282.5, 31.5 Hz), 111.8, 101.8 (dq, J = 193.1, 31.2 Hz), 86.1 (d, J = 28.4 Hz), 78.7, 55.4, 36.6 (d, J = 20.3 Hz), 8.7.

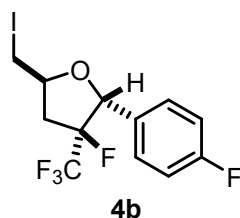
^{19}F NMR (471 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ -75.7 (d, J = 7.1 Hz), -157.6 (dtq, J = 28.4, 21.1, 7.3 Hz).

IR (neat) ν_{max} (cm^{-1}): 3042, 3015, 2965, 2923, 2839, 1612, 1251, 1177, 1149, 1135, 1018, 836, 802, 736.

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HRMS (EI) Calcd. for $C_{13}H_{13}F_4IO_2$ $[M]^+ = 403.9891$, found = 403.9884.

(4b) *trans,cis*-3-Fluoro-2-(4-fluorophenyl)-5-(iodomethyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)tetrahydrofuran



Following the **general procedure for the reduction** using **3b** (20.4 mg, 0.05 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), CH_2Cl_2 (0.25 mL), Et_3SiH (20 μ L, 0.10 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) and $BF_3 \cdot Et_2O$ (15 μ L, 0.10 mmol, 2.0 equiv.). Purification (PE/EtOAc, 100:0 to 98:2) afforded the desired product as a colorless oil (18.1 mg, 0.046 mmol, 92% yield, d.r. > 20:1). Crude d.r. > 20:1.

R_f = 0.50 (PE/EtOAc, 9:1).

1H NMR (500 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.29 (dd, $J = 8.6, 5.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.11 – 7.02 (m, 2H), 5.43 (d, $J = 21.1$ Hz, 1H), 4.79 (tdd, $J = 8.7, 5.3, 3.7$ Hz, 1H), 3.46 (dd, $J = 10.0, 5.3$ Hz, 1H), 3.40 (ddd, $J = 9.8, 8.8, 0.7$ Hz, 1H), 2.78 (ddd, $J = 27.5, 14.9, 8.2$ Hz, 1H), 2.59 (ddd, $J = 21.6, 14.9, 3.7$ Hz, 1H).

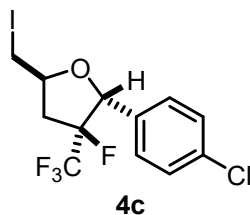
$^{13}C\{^1H\}$ NMR (126 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 163.1 (d, $J = 247.3$ Hz), 130.6 (dd, $J = 6.5, 3.2$ Hz), 128.7 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz), 122.1 (qd, $J = 283.0, 31.4$ Hz), 115.5 (d, $J = 22.0$ Hz), 101.6 (dq, $J = 194.0, 31.6$ Hz), 85.4 (d, $J = 28.5$ Hz), 78.6, 36.9 (d, $J = 20.2$ Hz), 8.4.

^{19}F NMR (471 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ -75.9 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz), -112.7 (ddd, $J = 13.8, 8.7, 5.3$ Hz), -158.8 (dtq, $J = 28.3, 21.4, 7.1$ Hz).

IR (neat) ν_{max} (cm^{-1}): 2951, 2923, 1608, 1512, 1226, 1180, 1148, 1134, 1069, 1015, 837, 806, 733.

HRMS (EI) Calcd. for $C_{12}H_{10}F_5IO$ $[M]^+ = 391.9691$, found = 391.9692.

(4c) *trans-cis*-2-(4-Chlorophenyl)-3-fluoro-5-(iodomethyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)tetrahydrofuran



Following the **general procedure for the reduction** using **3c** (42.4 mg, 0.10 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), CH₂Cl₂ (0.5 mL), Et₃SiH (32 μ L, 0.20 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) and BF₃·Et₂O (25 μ L, 0.20 mmol, 2.0 equiv.). Purification (PE/EtOAc, 100:0 to 96:4) afforded the desired product as a colorless oil (37.6 mg, 0.09 mmol, 92% yield, d.r. > 20:1). Crude d.r. > 20:1.

R_f = 0.60 (PE/EtOAc, 9:1).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.36 – 7.32 (m, 2H), 7.25 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 5.41 (d, *J* = 20.9 Hz, 1H), 4.78 (tdd, *J* = 8.8, 5.3, 3.9 Hz, 1H), 3.45 (dd, *J* = 9.9, 5.3 Hz, 1H), 3.40 (ddd, *J* = 8.8, 8.6, 0.7 Hz, 1H), 2.77 (ddd, *J* = 27.2, 14.9, 8.2 Hz, 1H), 2.59 (ddd, *J* = 21.7, 14.9, 3.8 Hz, 1H).

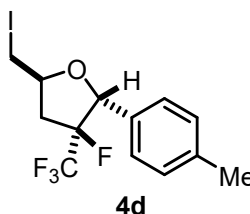
¹³C{¹H} NMR (126 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 134.9, 133.3 (d, *J* = 6.2 Hz), 128.7, 128.3, 122.1 (qd, *J* = 282.8, 31.6 Hz), 101.6 (dq, *J* = 194.7, 31.3 Hz), 85.3 (d, *J* = 28.4 Hz), 78.7, 37.0 (d, *J* = 20.2 Hz), 8.4 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz).

¹⁹F NMR (471 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ -75.8 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz), -159.0 (tdd, *J* = 28.6, 14.3, 7.5 Hz).

IR (neat) ν_{max} (cm⁻¹): 2961, 1719, 1705, 1594, 1490, 1403, 1268, 1173, 1092, 1015, 832, 759.

HRMS (EI) Calcd. for C₁₂H₁₀ClF₄IO [M]⁺ = 407.9395, found = 407.9373.

(4d) *trans-cis*-3-Fluoro-5-(iodomethyl)-2-(*p*-tolyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)tetrahydrofuran



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Following the **general procedure for the reduction** using **3d** (40.4 mg, 0.10 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), CH₂Cl₂ (0.5 mL), Et₃SiH (32 μL, 0.20 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) and BF₃·Et₂O (25 μL, 0.20 mmol, 2.0 equiv.). Purification (PE/EtOAc, 100:0 to 98:2) afforded the desired product as a colorless oil (36.4 mg, 0.09 mmol, 94% yield, d.r. > 20:1). Crude d.r. > 20:1.

R_f = 0.65 (PE/EtOAc, 9:1).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.21 – 7.14 (m, 4H), 5.42 (d, *J* = 21.4 Hz, 1H), 4.82 (tdd, *J* = 8.7, 5.2, 3.4 Hz, 1H), 3.46 (dd, *J* = 9.8, 5.3 Hz, 1H), 3.39 (ddd, *J* = 9.2, 9.1, 0.7 Hz, 1H), 2.77 (ddd, *J* = 30.4, 14.9, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 2.58 (ddd, *J* = 21.7, 14.9, 3.4 Hz, 1H), 2.35 (s, 3H).

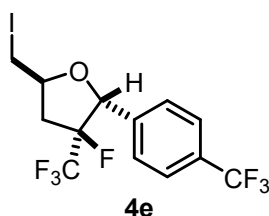
¹³C{¹H} NMR (126 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 138.9, 132.0 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz), 129.2, 126.8, 122.1 (qd, *J* = 282.5, 31.3 Hz), 101.9 (dq, *J* = 193.0, 31.2 Hz), 86.3 (d, *J* = 27.6 Hz), 78.8, 36.6 (d, *J* = 20.2 Hz), 21.4, 8.7 (d, *J* = 2.5 Hz).

¹⁹F NMR (471 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ -75.6 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz), -157.5 (dtq, *J* = 29.2, 21.9, 7.0 Hz).

IR (neat) ν_{max} (cm⁻¹): 3035, 2952, 2926, 1704, 1612, 1270, 1178, 1125, 1019, 821, 754.

HRMS (EI) Calcd. for C₁₃H₁₃F₄IO [M]⁺ = 387.9942, found = 387.9946.

(4e) *trans-cis*-3-Fluoro-5-(iodomethyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-2-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)tetrahydrofuran



Following the **general procedure for the reduction** using **3e** (45.8 mg, 0.10 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), CH₂Cl₂ (0.5 mL), Et₃SiH (32 μL, 0.20 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) and BF₃·Et₂O (25 μL, 0.20 mmol, 2.0 equiv.). Purification (PE/EtOAc, 100:0 to 96:4) afforded the desired product as a colorless oil (33.8 mg, 0.08 mmol, 77% yield (97% BRSM), d.r. > 20:1). Crude d.r. > 20:1.

Or:

Following the **general procedure for the reduction** with slight modifications using **3e** (183.2 mg, 0.40 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), CH₂Cl₂ (2 mL), Et₃SiH (192 μL, 1.20 mmol, 3.0 equiv.) and BF₃·Et₂O (150 μL, 1.20 mmol, 3.0 equiv.), the reaction was stirred for 14 h. Purification

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(PE/EtOAc, 100:0 to 95:5) afforded the desired product as a colorless oil (161.6 mg, 0.37 mmol, 92% yield, d.r. > 20:1).

R_f = 0.70 (PE/EtOAc, 9:1).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.63 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.45 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 5.49 (d, *J* = 20.6 Hz, 1H), 4.79 (tdd, *J* = 8.6, 5.2, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 3.47 (dd, *J* = 10.1, 5.3 Hz, 1H), 3.42 (ddd, *J* = 8.6, 8.5, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 2.80 (ddd, *J* = 25.4, 14.9, 8.2 Hz, 1H), 2.62 (ddd, *J* = 21.7, 14.9, 4.2 Hz, 1H).

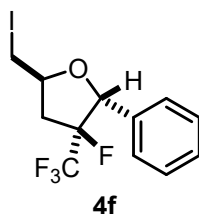
¹³C{¹H} NMR (126 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 138.7 (d, *J* = 5.7 Hz), 131.2 (q, *J* = 32.3 Hz), 127.3, 125.5 (q, *J* = 4.0 Hz), 124.0 (q, *J* = 272.3 Hz), 122.1 (qd, *J* = 282.9, 31.8 Hz), 101.6 (dq, *J* = 194.9, 31.9 Hz), 85.0 (d, *J* = 28.6 Hz), 78.6 (d, *J* = 1.6 Hz), 37.2 (d, *J* = 20.2 Hz), 8.3.

¹⁹F NMR (471 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ -62.7, -75.9 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz), -159.7 – -159.9 (m).

IR (neat) ν_{max} (cm⁻¹): 2945, 1719, 1413, 1325, 1270, 1167, 1126, 1067, 1018, 863, 844, 775, 705.

HRMS (EI) Calcd. for C₁₃H₁₀F₇IO [M]⁺ = 441.9659, found = 441.9621.

(4f) *trans-cis*-3-Fluoro-5-(iodomethyl)-2-phenyl-3-(trifluoromethyl)tetrahydrofuran



Following the **general procedure for the reduction** using **3f** (39.0 mg, 0.10 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), CH₂Cl₂ (0.5 mL), Et₃SiH (32 μL, 0.20 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) and BF₃·Et₂O (25 μL, 0.20 mmol, 2.0 equiv.). Purification (PE/EtOAc, 100:0 to 98:2) afforded the desired product as a colorless oil (33.8 mg, 0.09 mmol, 90% yield, d.r. > 20:1). Crude d.r. > 20:1.

R_f = 0.40 (PE).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.39 – 7.32 (m, 3H), 7.32 – 7.29 (m, 2H), 5.46 (d, *J* = 21.3 Hz, 1H), 4.83 (tdd, *J* = 8.8, 5.2, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 3.47 (dd, *J* = 9.9, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 3.40 (ddd, *J* = 9.9, 9.0, 0.7 Hz, 1H), 2.79 (ddd, *J* = 29.4, 14.9, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 2.59 (ddd, *J* = 21.4, 14.8, 3.2 Hz, 1H).

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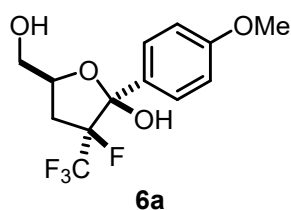
$^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (126 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 134.9 (d, J = 6.5 Hz), 129.0, 128.5, 126.9, 122.1 (qd, J = 283.0, 31.3 Hz), 101.9 (dq, J = 193.1, 31.3 Hz), 86.2 (d, J = 28.3 Hz), 78.8, 36.7 (d, J = 20.2 Hz), 8.6.

^{19}F NMR (471 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ -75.7 (d, J = 7.3 Hz), -157.9 (dtq, J = 28.9, 21.9, 7.5 Hz).

IR (neat) ν_{max} (cm^{-1}): 3036, 2921, 1456, 1364, 1268, 1181, 1148, 1135, 1018, 748, 734, 698.

HRMS (EI) Calcd. for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{11}\text{F}_4\text{IO}$ $[\text{M}]^+ = 373.9785$, found = 373.9790.

(6a) *trans-cis*-3-Fluoro-5-(hydroxymethyl)-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)tetrahydrofuran-2-ol



Following a reported procedure³, a dry flask under argon atmosphere equipped with a magnetic stirrer was charged with **3a** (84.0 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), DMF (2 mL), CsCO_2CF_3 (73.8 mg, 0.30 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) and was heated to 90 °C for 2 h. The reaction was cooled down to 20 °C, Et_2NH (0.06 mL, 0.60 mmol, 3.0 equiv.) was added and the reaction was stirred for 3 h at 20 °C. H_2O was added, and the aqueous layer was extracted three times with EtOAc. The organic layers were gathered, washed three times with H_2O , dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and the solvent removed under reduced pressure. Purification by flash column chromatography (SiO_2 , PE/EtOAc, 100:0 to 98:2) afforded the desired product as a colorless oil (23.0 mg, 0.074 mmol, 37% yield).

R_f = 0.30 (PE/EtOAc, 9:1).

^1H NMR (500 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.49 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.95 – 6.88 (m, 2H), 4.98 (ddd, J = 5.0, 3.5, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 4.02 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 3.94 (ddd, J = 6.6, 3.6, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 2.55 (dddd, J = 18.3, 14.1, 5.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 2.11 (dd, J = 21.7, 14.1 Hz, 1H).

$^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (126 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 160.6, 127.6, 123.2, 122.1 (qd, J = 282.4, 32.4 Hz), 113.6, 106.4 (d, J = 20.1 Hz), 99.2 (dq, J = 208.7, 30.9 Hz), 75.9 (d, J = 1.8 Hz), 70.5, 55.4, 37.3 (d, J = 23.9 Hz).

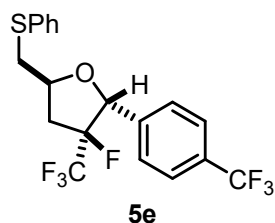
^{19}F NMR (471 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ -78.8 (d, J = 8.4 Hz), -177.5 – -177.7 (m).

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IR (neat) ν_{max} (cm^{-1}): 3009, 2964, 2915, 2845, 1617, 1519, 1254, 1179, 1063, 1033, 1002, 834.

HRMS (EI) Calcd. for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{14}\text{F}_4\text{O}_4$ $[\text{M}]^+ = 310.0823$, found = 310.0826.

(5e) *trans-cis*-3-Fluoro-5-((phenylthio)methyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-2-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)tetrahydrofuran



A dry flask under argon atmosphere was charged with **4e** (44.2 mg, 0.10 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), PhSH (21 μL , 0.20 mmol, 2.0 equiv.), NaHCO_3 (25.2 mg, 0.30 mmol, 3.0 equiv.), DMF (0.1 mL) and was heated to 80 $^\circ\text{C}$ for 24 h. The reaction was then allowed to cool to room temperature and was diluted with EtOAc. H_2O was added and the aqueous layer was extracted three times with EtOAc. The organic layers were gathered, washed three times with H_2O , dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and the solvent removed under reduced pressure. Purification by flash column chromatography (SiO_2 , PE/EtOAc, 100:0 to 96:4) afforded the desired product as a colorless oil (38.5 mg, 0.091 mmol, 91% yield).

R_f = 0.60 (PE/EtOAc, 9:1).

^1H NMR (500 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.60 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.46 – 7.40 (m, 4H), 7.37 – 7.29 (m, 2H), 7.27 – 7.21 (m, 1H), 5.41 (d, J = 21.3 Hz, 1H), 4.70 (tdd, J = 8.6, 5.5, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 3.41 (dd, J = 13.7, 5.5 Hz, 1H), 3.16 (dd, J = 13.7, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 2.73 (ddd, J = 27.2, 14.9, 8.3 Hz, 1H), 2.58 (ddd, J = 22.3, 14.9, 3.7 Hz, 1H).

$^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (126 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 139.0 (d, J = 6.1 Hz), 134.8, 131.1 (q, J = 32.6 Hz), 130.2, 129.4, 127.4, 127.0, 125.4 (q, J = 3.7 Hz), 124.0 (q, J = 272.2 Hz), 122.1 (qd, J = 282.8, 31.7 Hz), 101.9 (dq, J = 194.3, 31.4 Hz), 84.8 (d, J = 29.1 Hz), 77.5, 38.5, 36.2 (d, J = 20.1 Hz).

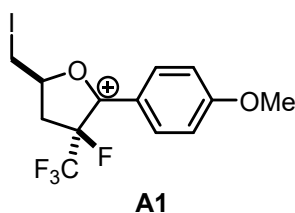
^{19}F NMR (471 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ -62.7, -75.8 (d, J = 7.8 Hz), -158.7 (dtq, J = 29.2, 22.2, 7.5 Hz).

IR (neat) ν_{max} (cm^{-1}): 3069, 2927, 1624, 1585, 1421, 1325, 1165, 1123, 1068, 1019, 844, 738, 691.

HRMS (EI) Calcd. for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{15}\text{F}_7\text{OS}$ $[\text{M}]^+ = 424.0726$, found = 424.0731.

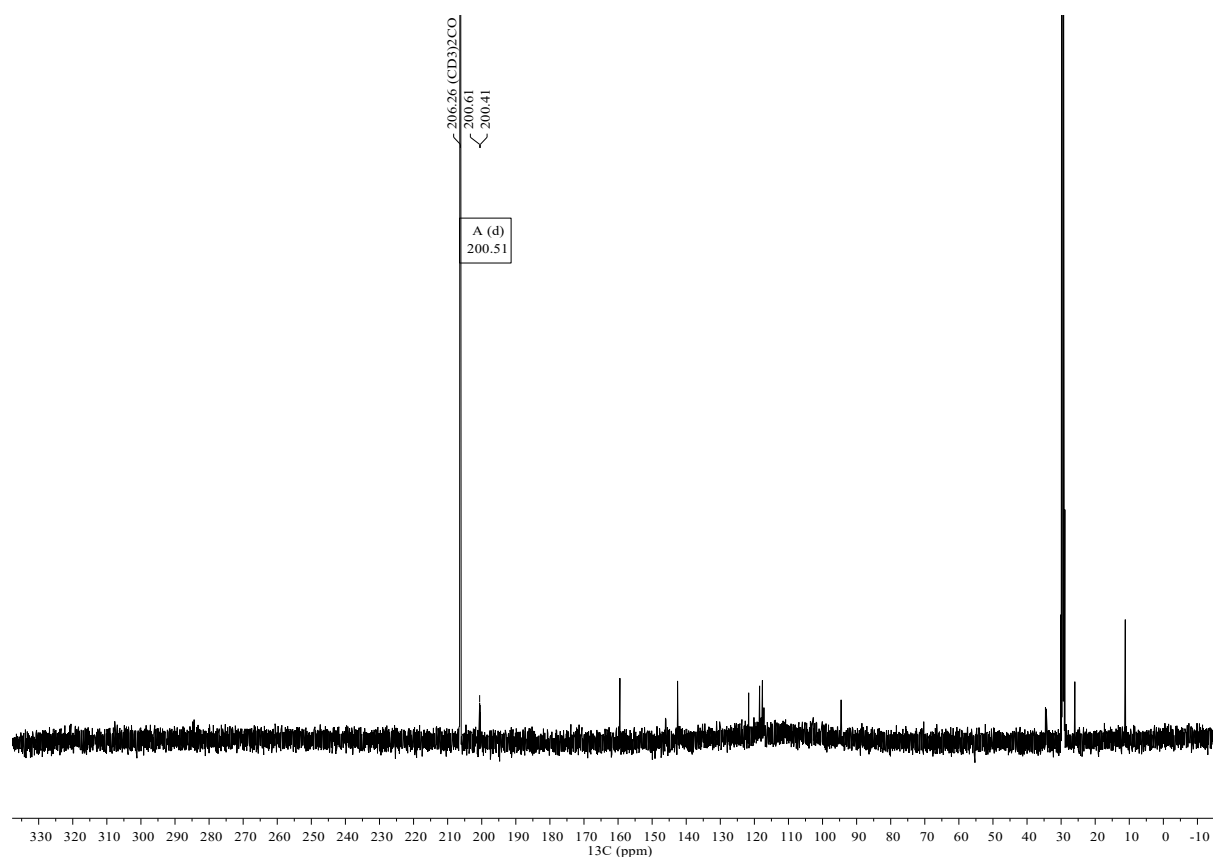
3. *In situ* VT NMR observation of cationic species in superacid

(A1) 3-Fluoro-5-(iodomethyl)-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)tetrahydrofuran-2-ylum

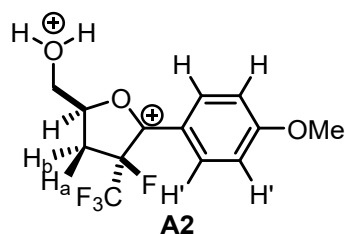


A PTFE tube equipped with a magnetic stirrer was charged with **3a** (42.0 mg, 0.10 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), was cooled to -50 °C and a solution of HF/SbF₅ (1:1 v/v, 1.0 mL) was added. The obtained solution was added into a precooled PTFE NMR insert and was then subjected to VT NMR experiments using acetone-*d*₆ as external standard.

Low-resolution NMR spectra was obtained, nevertheless allowing to detect the diagnostic furanosyl cation signal at $\delta = 200.5$ (d, $J = 20.3$ Hz) in the ¹³C NMR spectrum (-20 °C).



(A2) 3-Fluoro-5-(hydroxymethyl)-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)tetrahydrofuran-2-ylum



A PTFE tube equipped with a magnetic stirrer was charged with **6a** (18.0 mg, 0.06 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), was cooled to -50 °C and a solution of HF/SbF₅ (1:1 v/v, 0.5 mL) was added. The obtained solution was added into a precooled PTFE NMR insert and was then subjected to VT NMR experiments using acetone-*d*₆ as external standard.

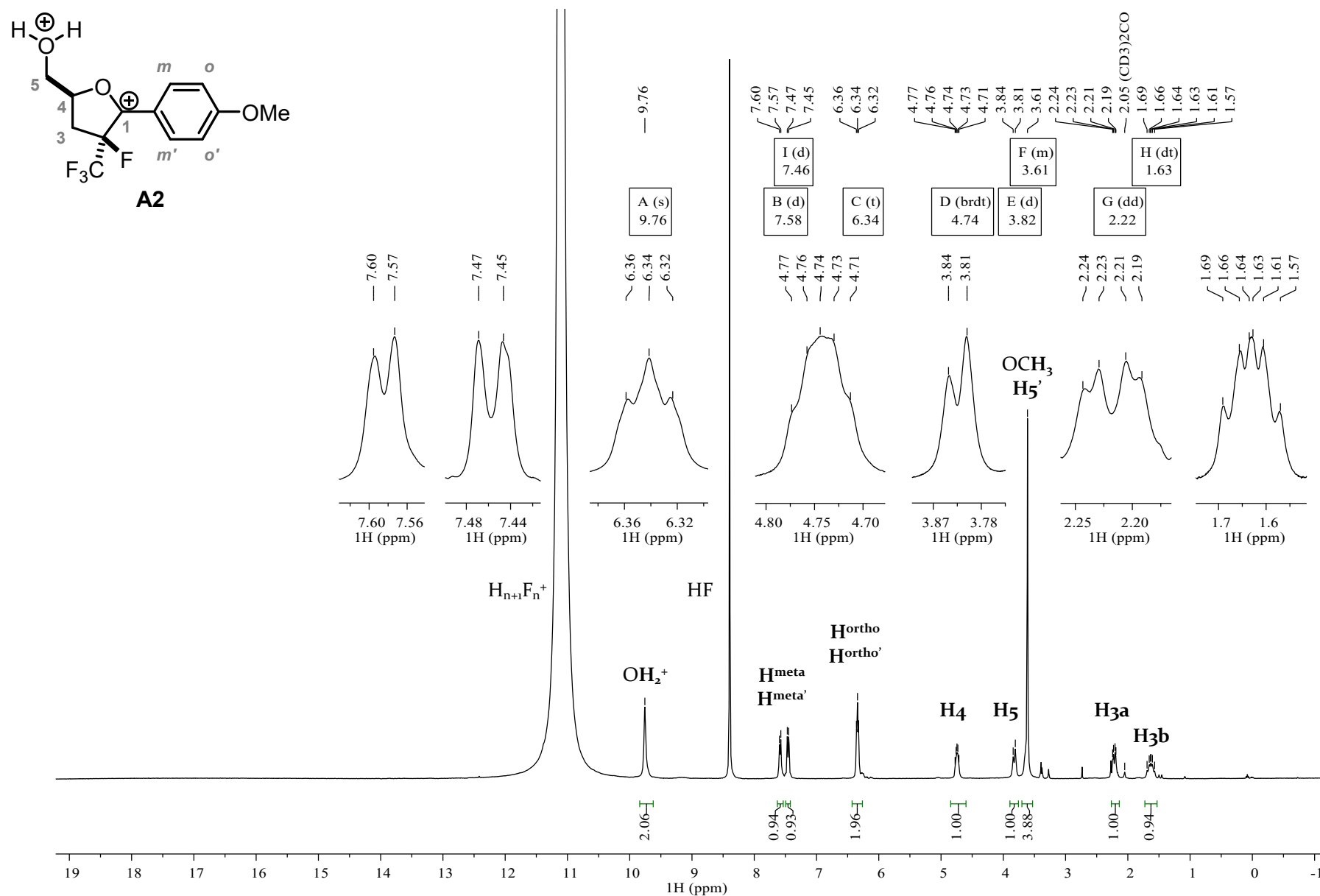
¹H NMR (400 MHz, 223 K, Acetone-*d*₆) δ 9.76 (s, 2H, ⁺OH₂), 7.58 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 1H, H_{meta}), 7.46 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H, H_{meta'}), 6.34 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H, H_{ortho} + H_{ortho'}), 4.74 (brdt, *J* = 12.5, 6.6 Hz, 1H, H₄), 3.82 (d, *J* = 13.9 Hz, 1H, H₅), 3.72 – 3.50 (m, 4H, OCH₃ + H_{5'}), 2.22 (dd, *J* = 15.1, 5.7 Hz, 1H, H_{3a}), 1.63 (dt, *J* = 23.1, 14.0 Hz, 1H, H_{3b}).

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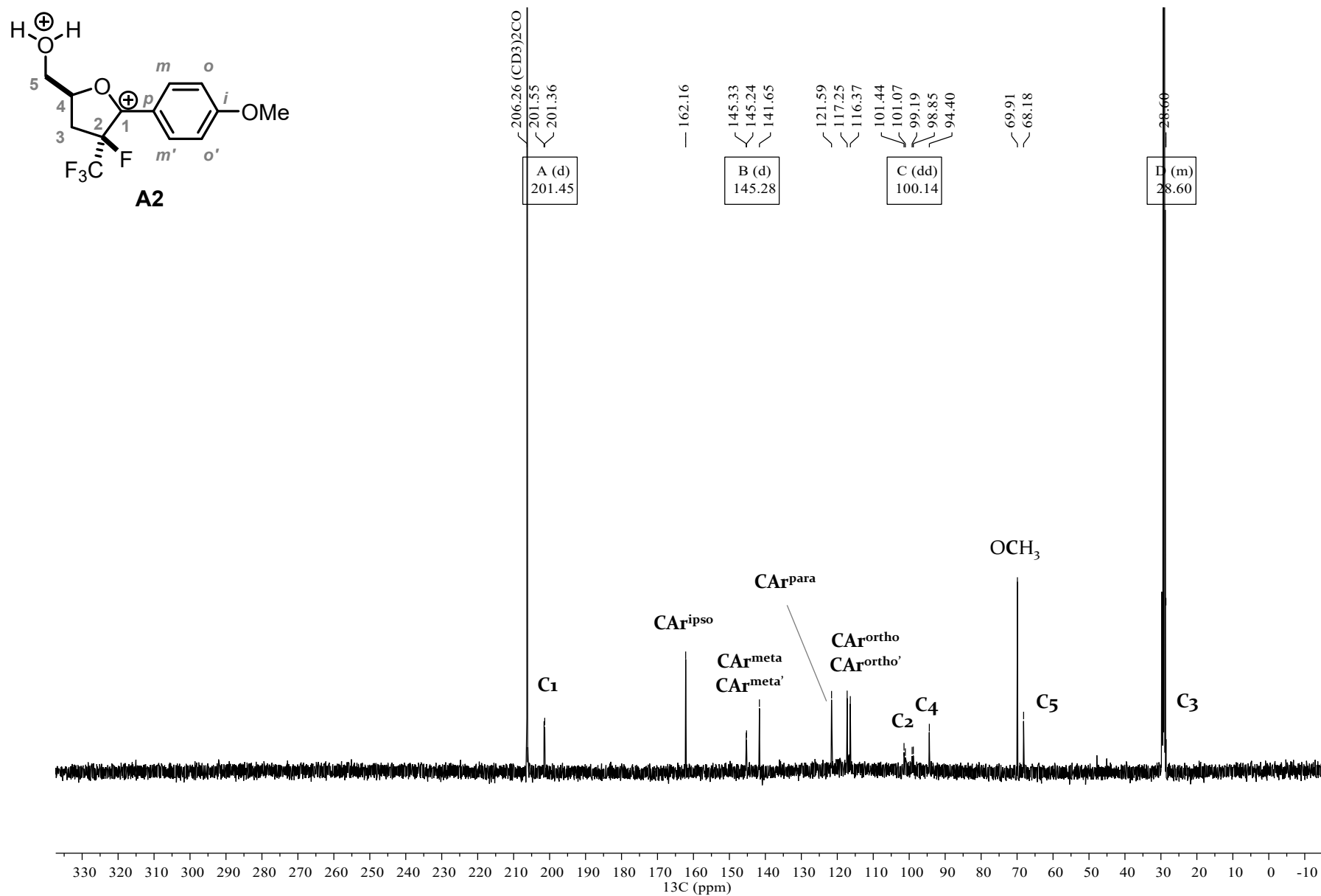
$^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (101 MHz, Acetone- d_6) δ 201.5 (d, J = 19.5 Hz, **C1**), 162.2 (**CAr^{ipso}**), 145.3 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, **CAr^{meta}**), 141.7 (**CAr^{meta'}**), 121.6 (**CAr^{para}**), 117.3 (**CAr^{ortho}**), 116.4 (**CAr^{ortho'}**), 100.1 (dq, J = 225.0, 36.0 Hz, **C2**), 94.4 (**C4**), 69.9 (**OCH₃**), 68.2 (**C5**), 28.7 – 28.5 (m, **C3**). The CF_3 signal was not observed.

$^{19}\text{F}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (376 MHz, Acetone- d_6) δ -79.3 (d, J = 12.6 Hz, **CF₃**), -162.2 (q, J = 13.0 Hz, **CF**).

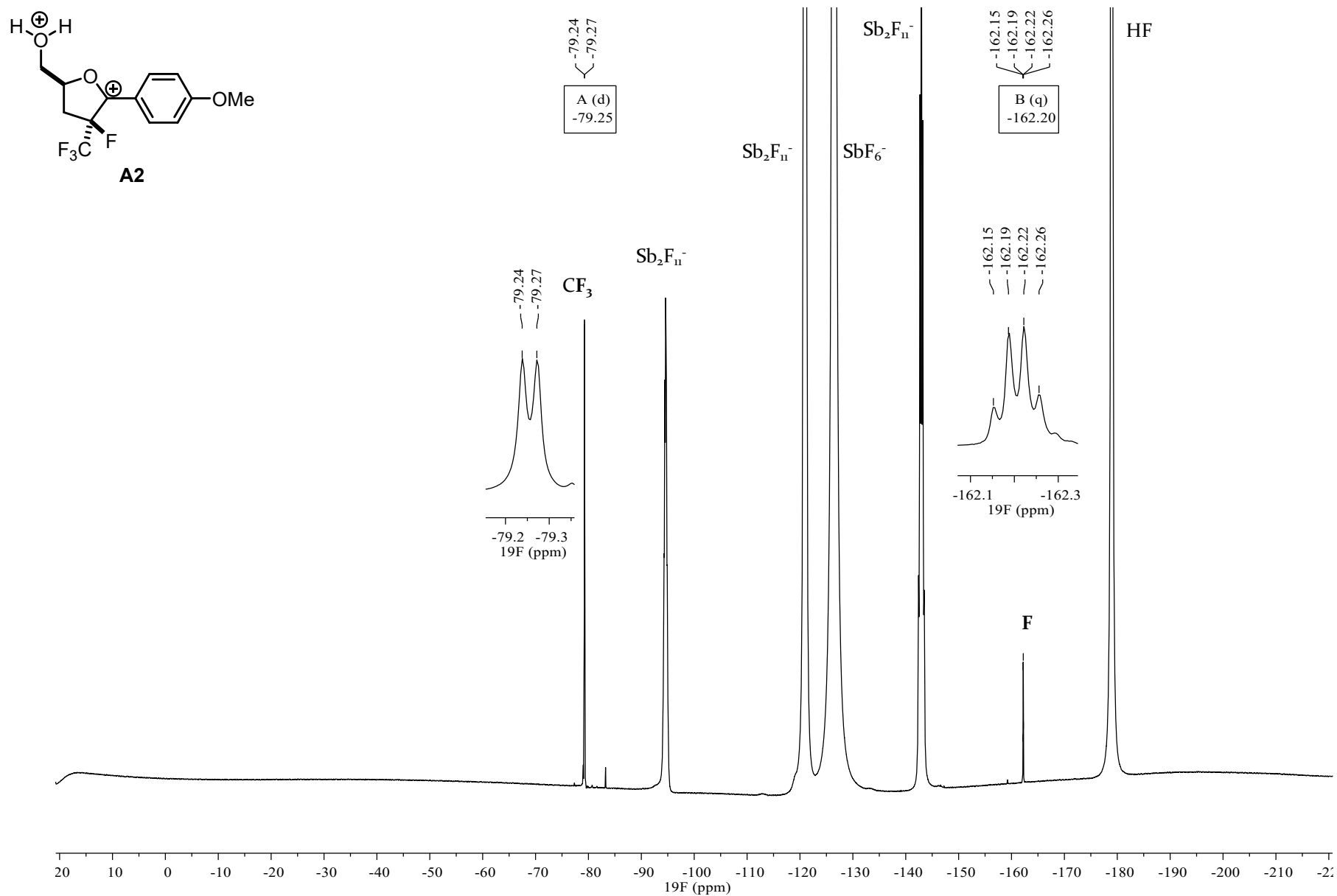
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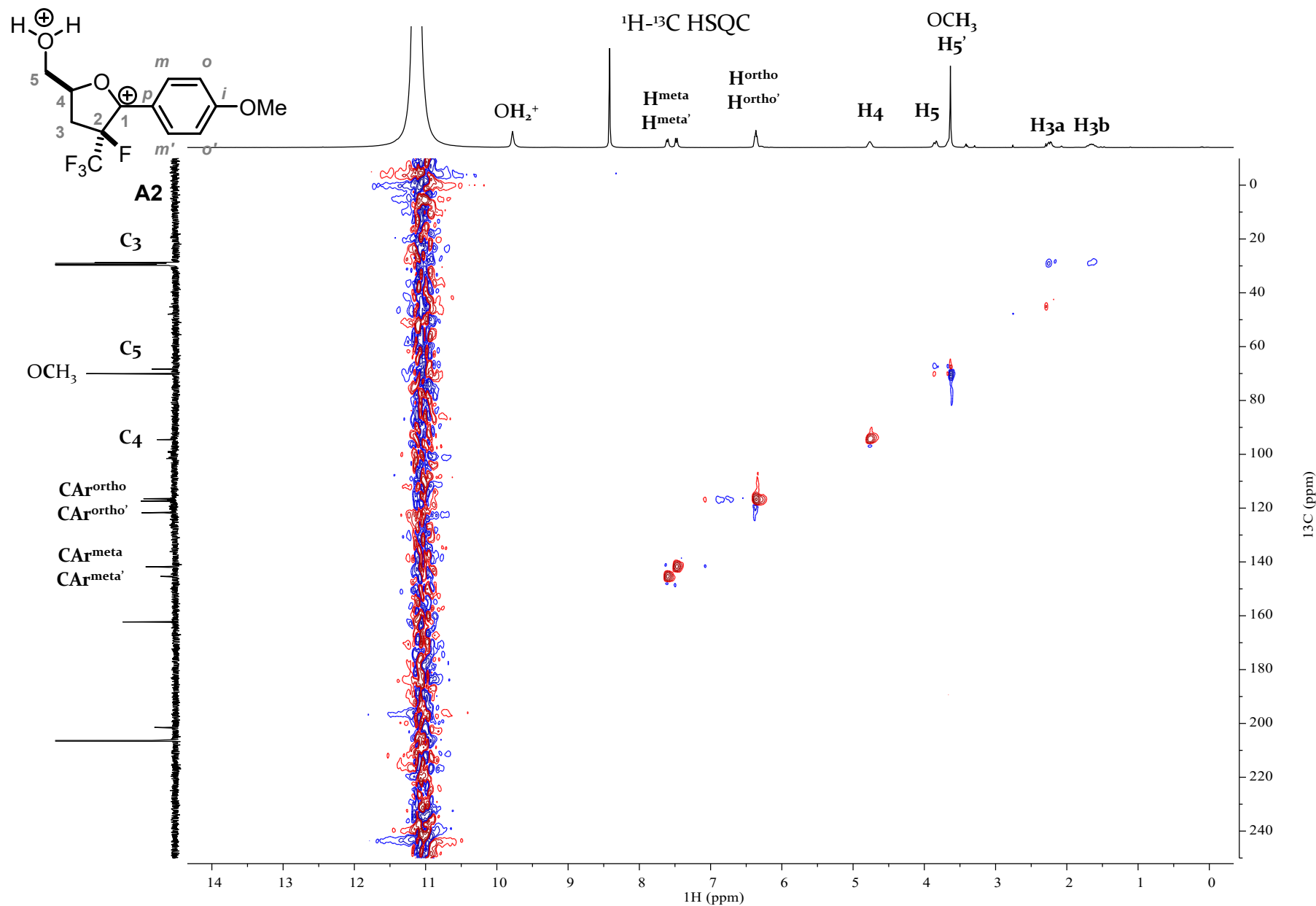
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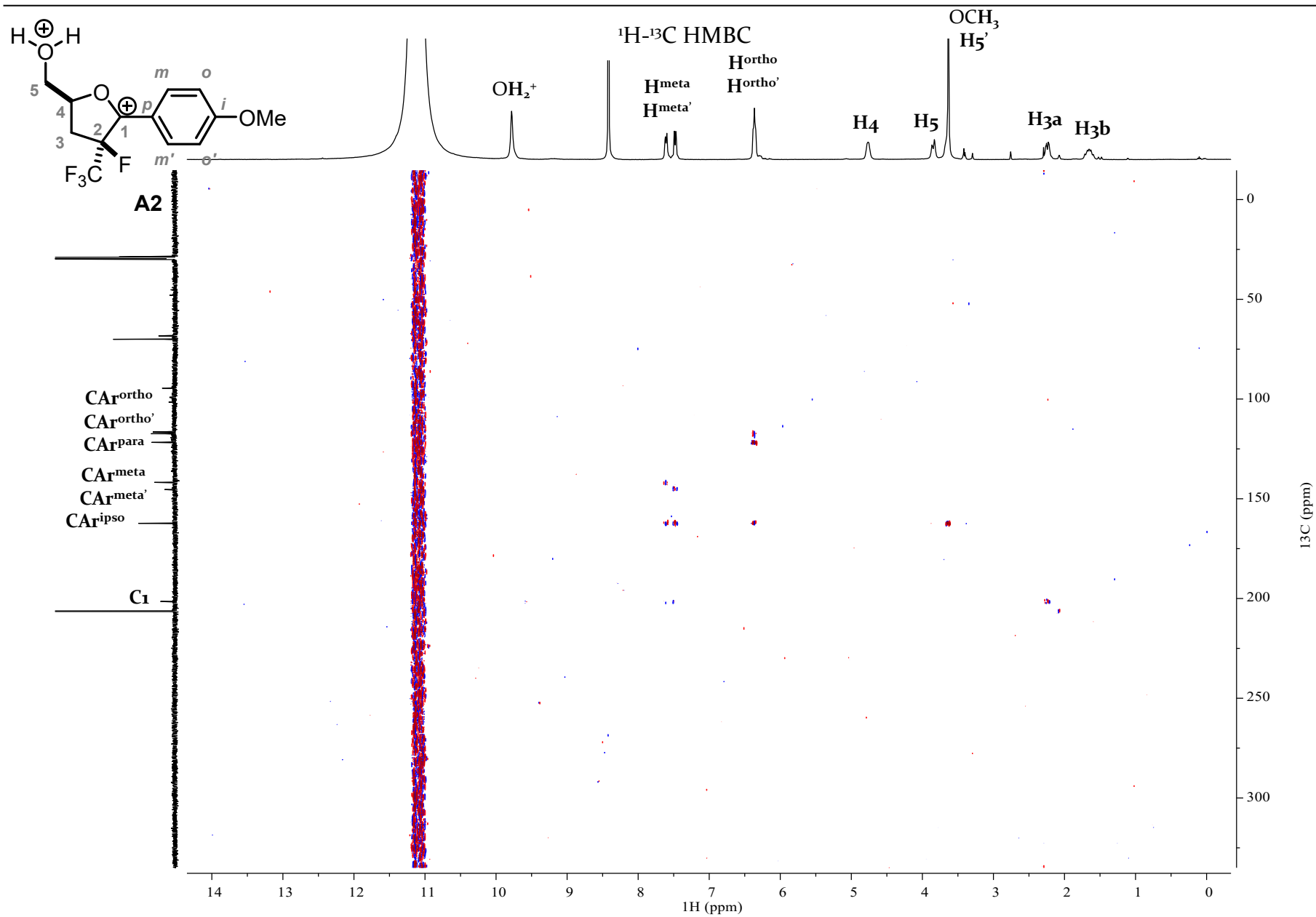
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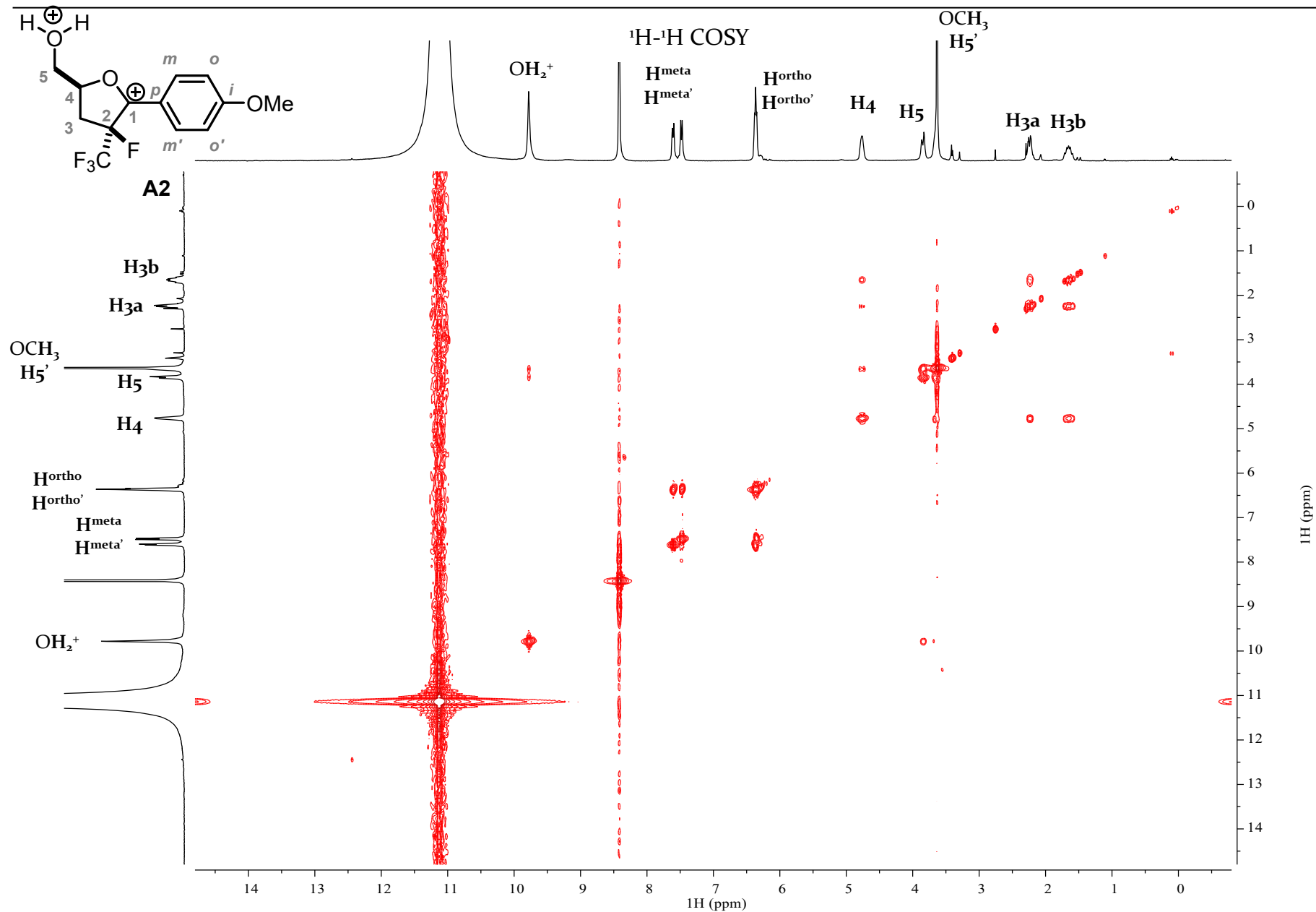
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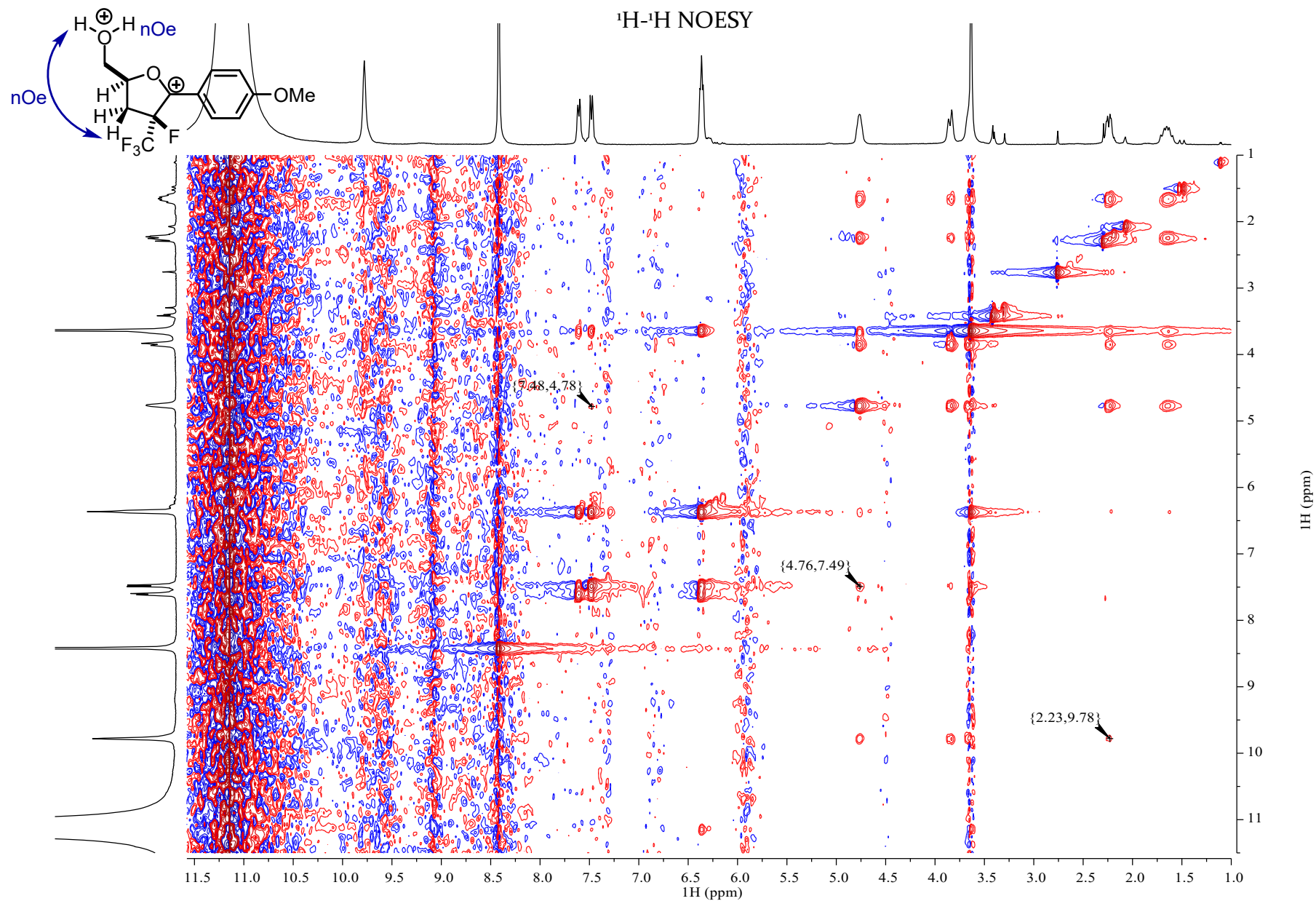
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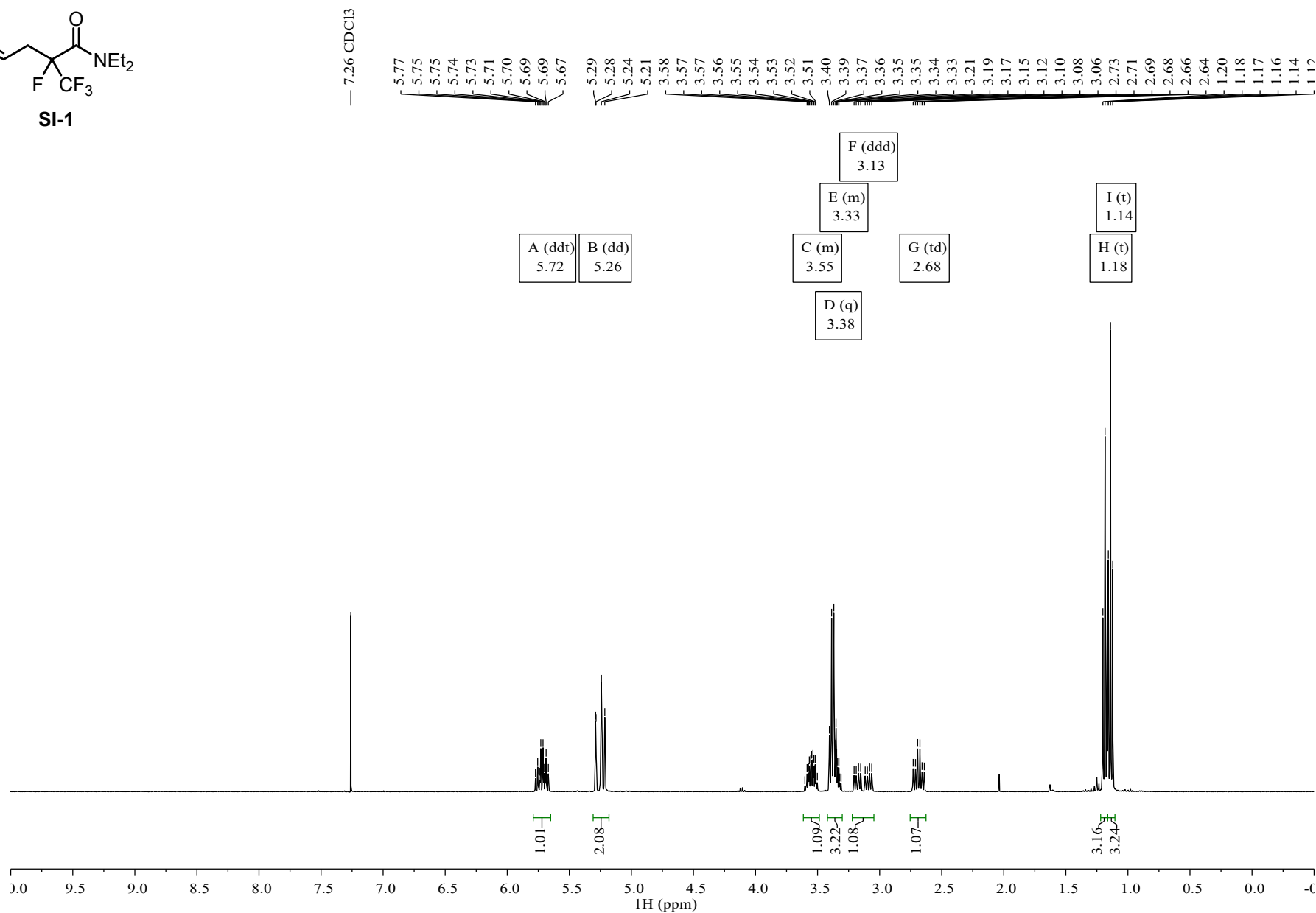
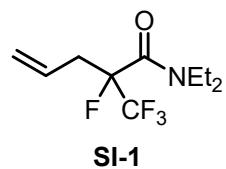


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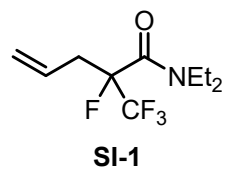


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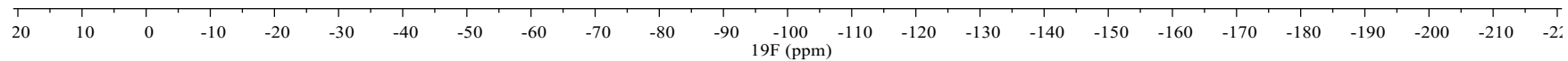
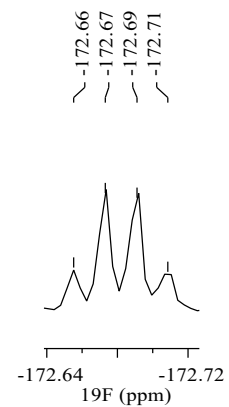


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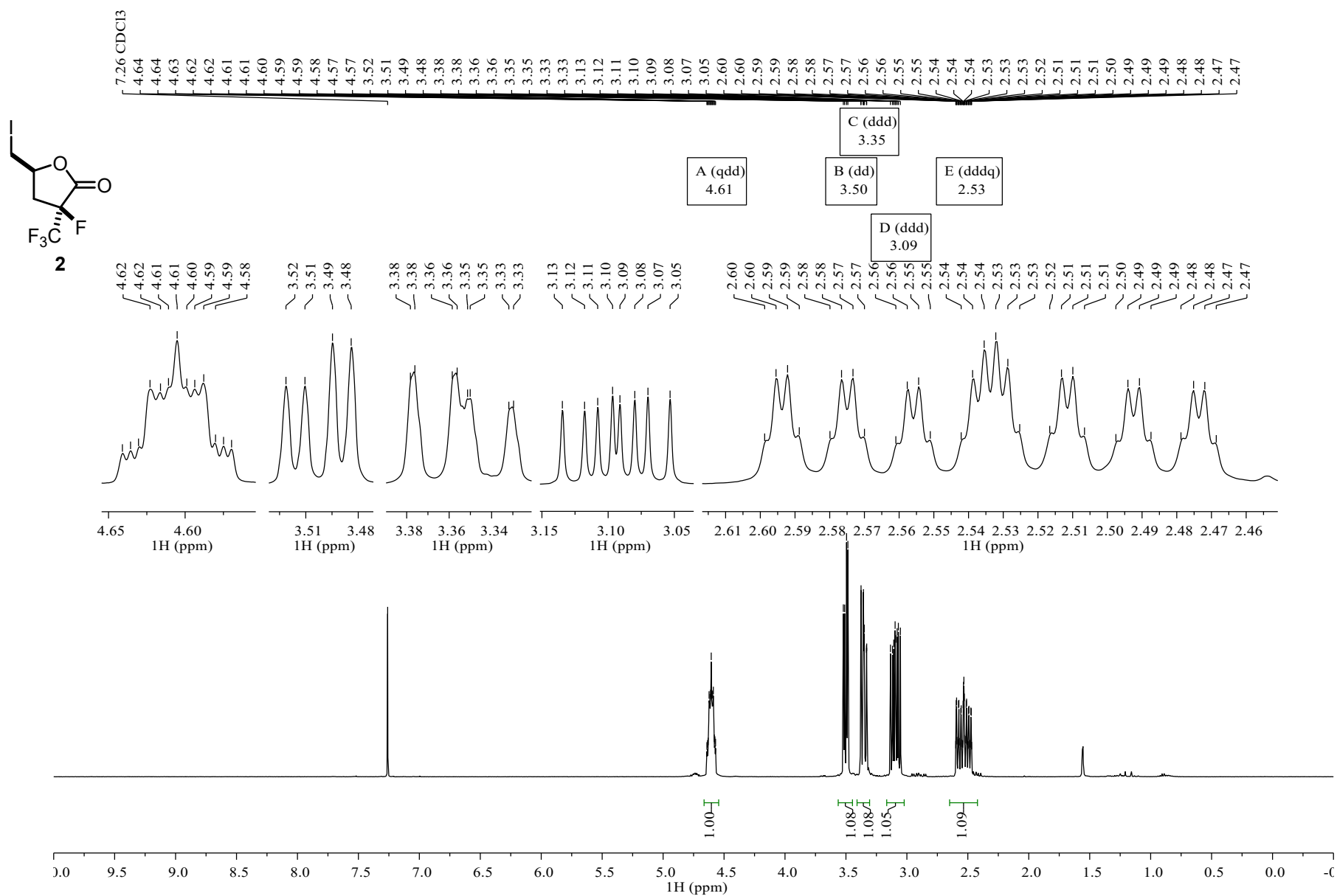


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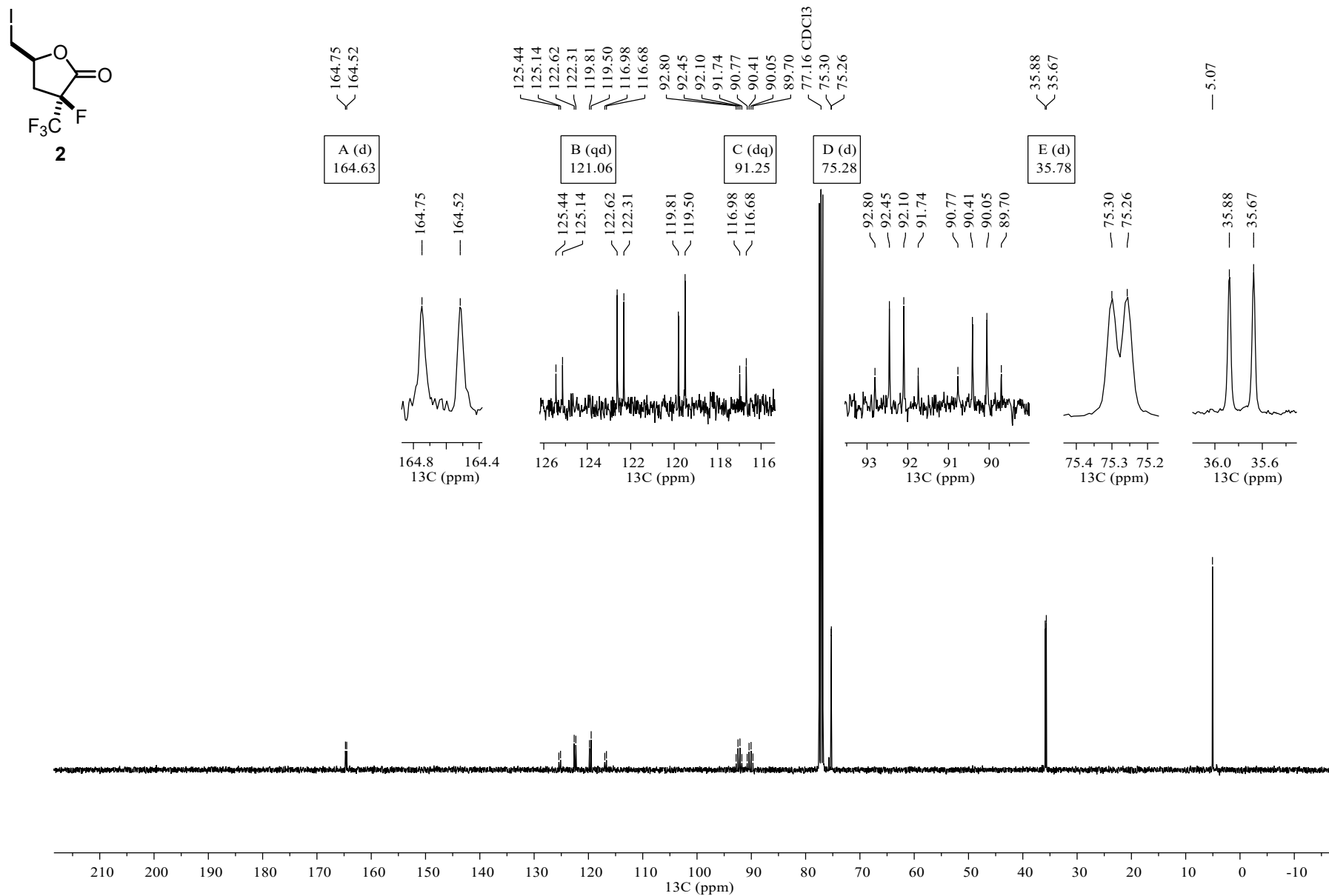
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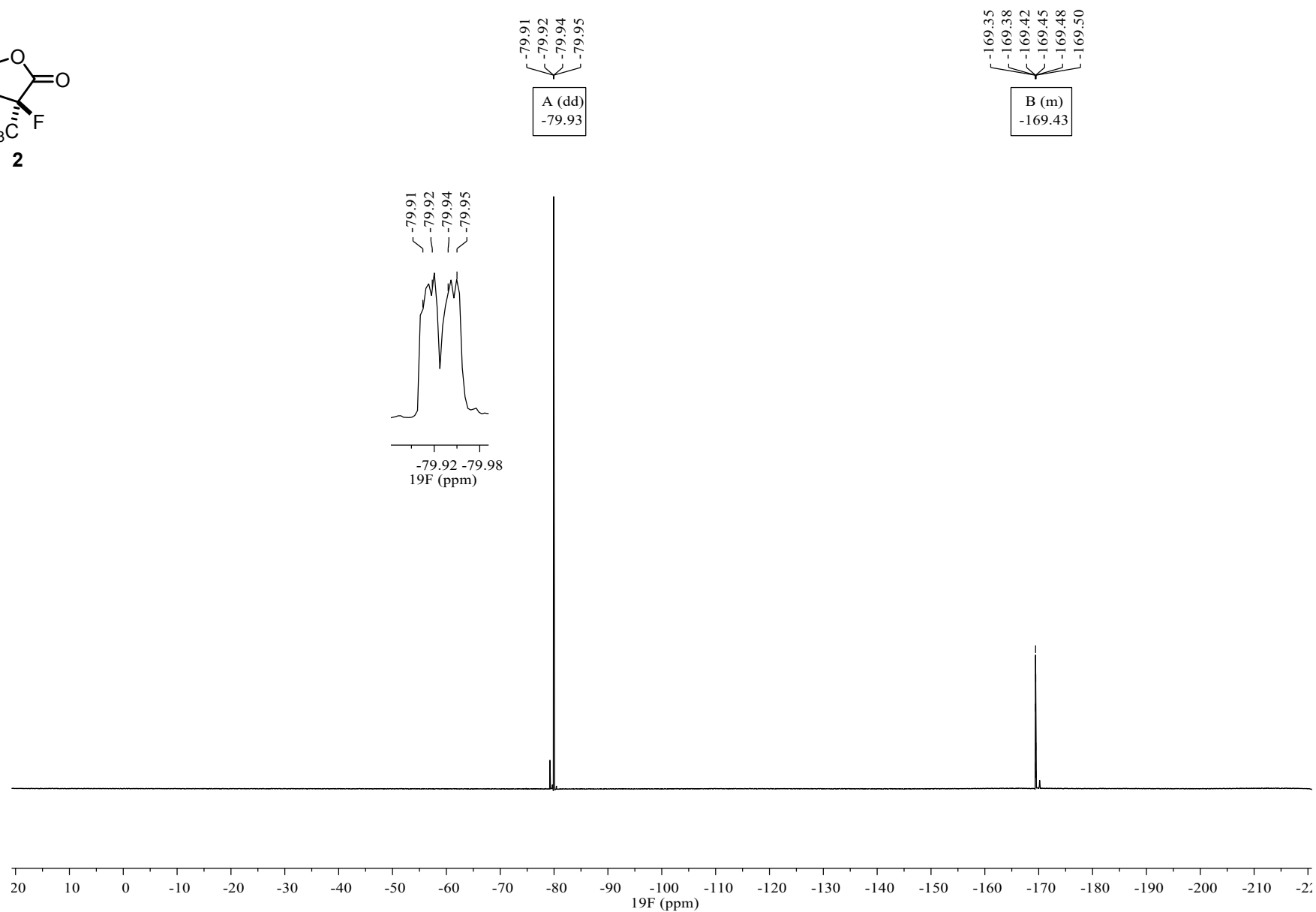
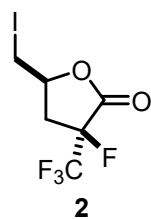
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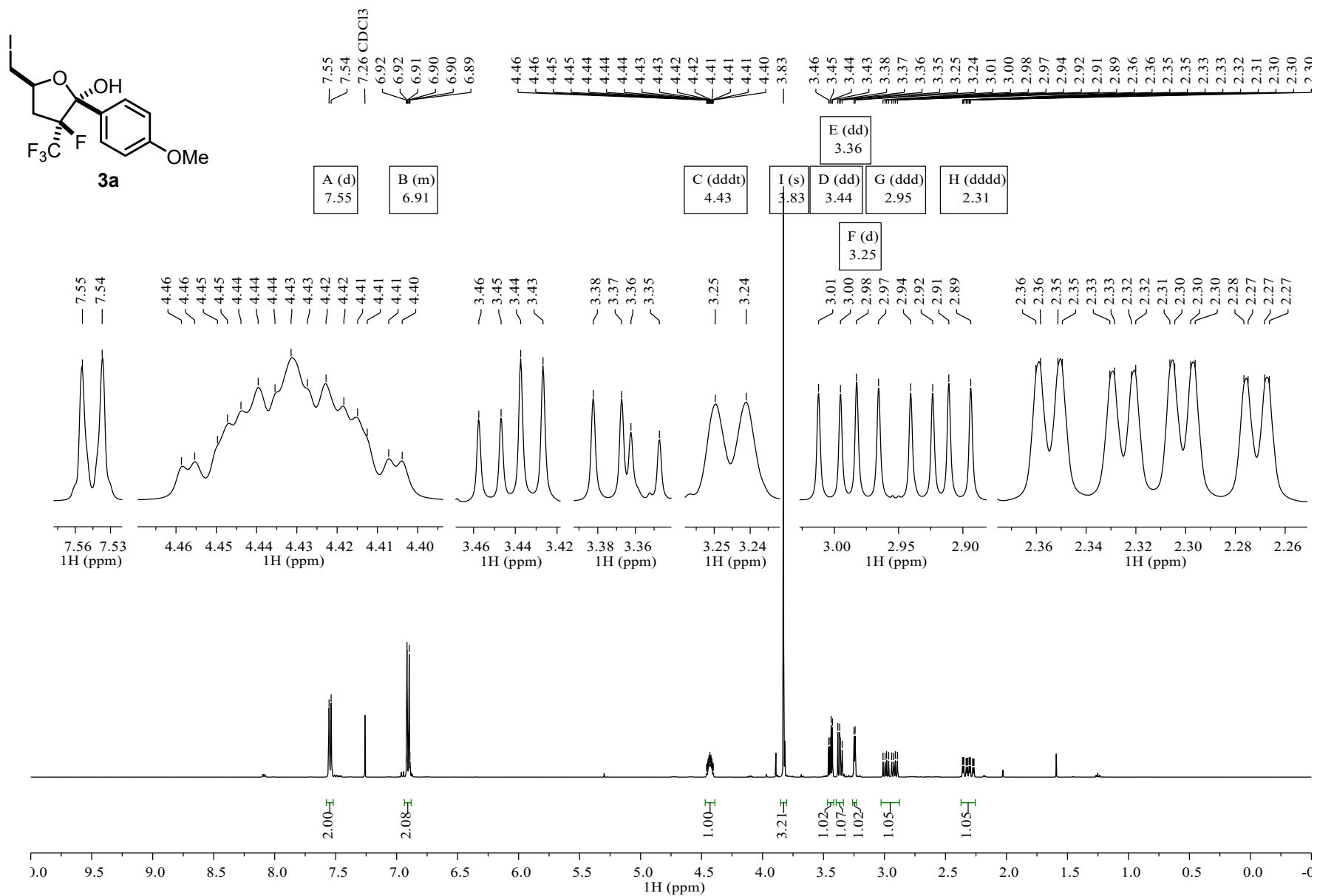
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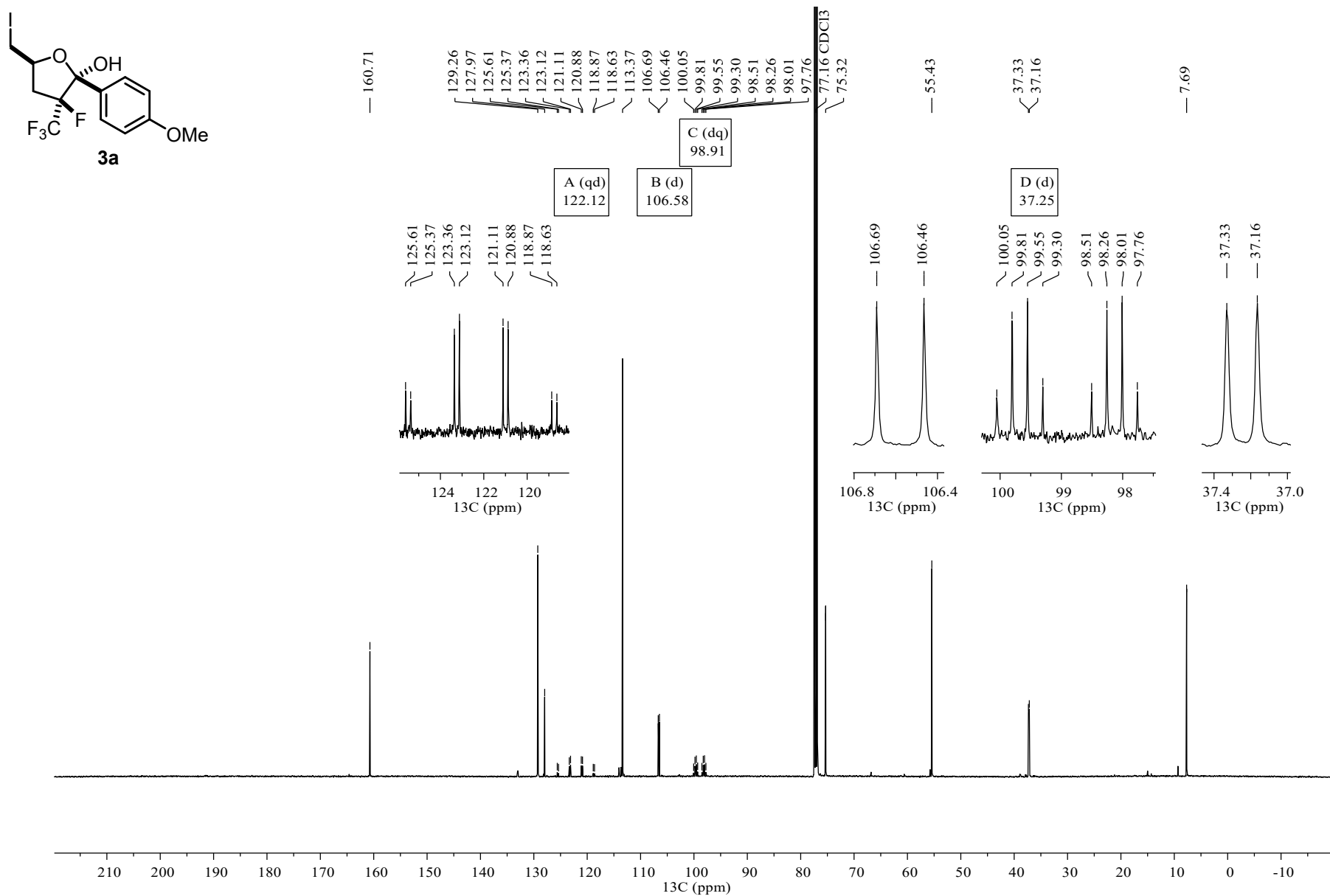
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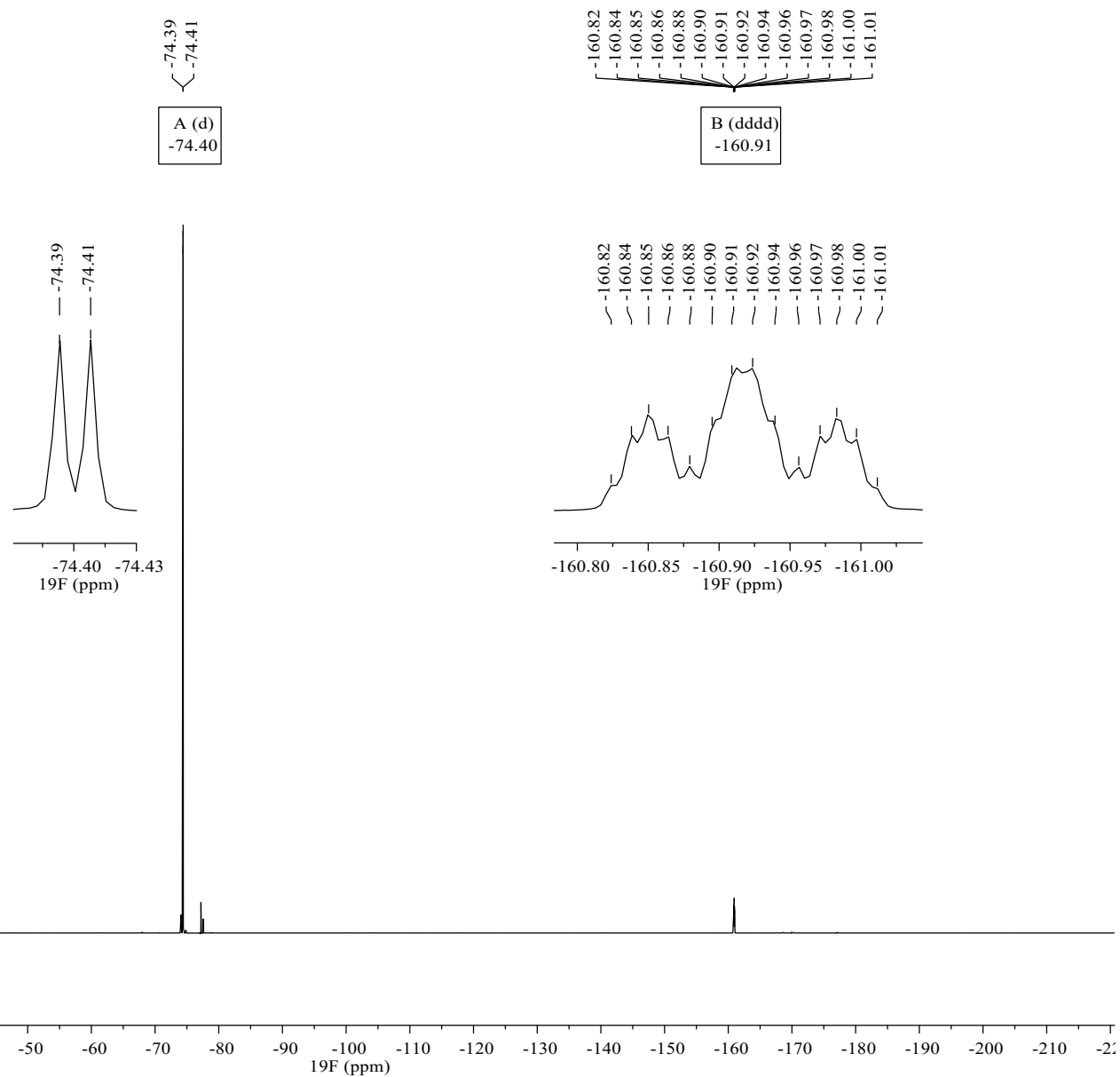
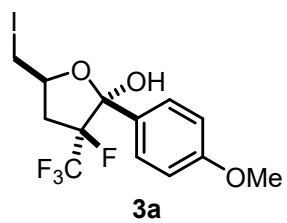
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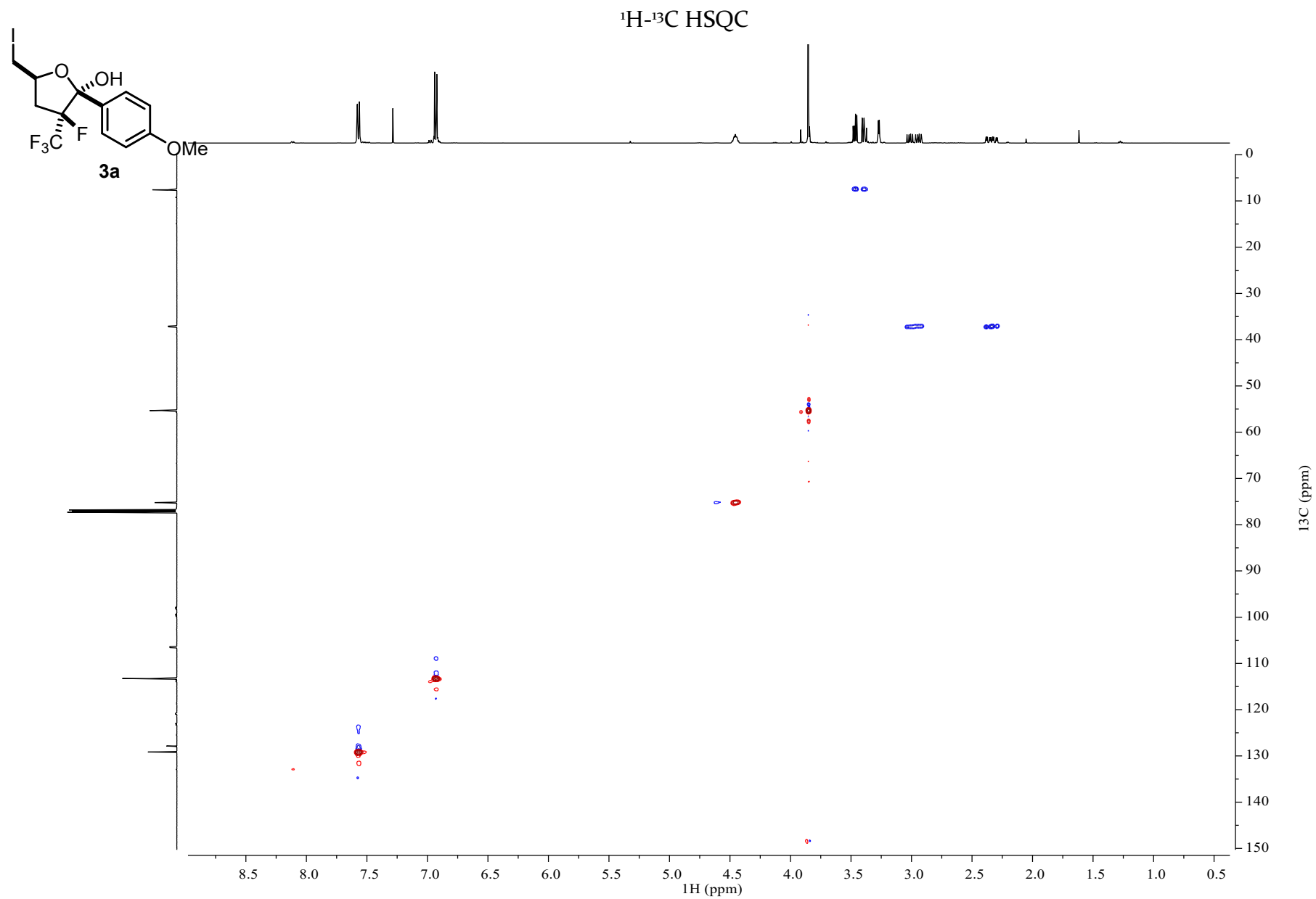
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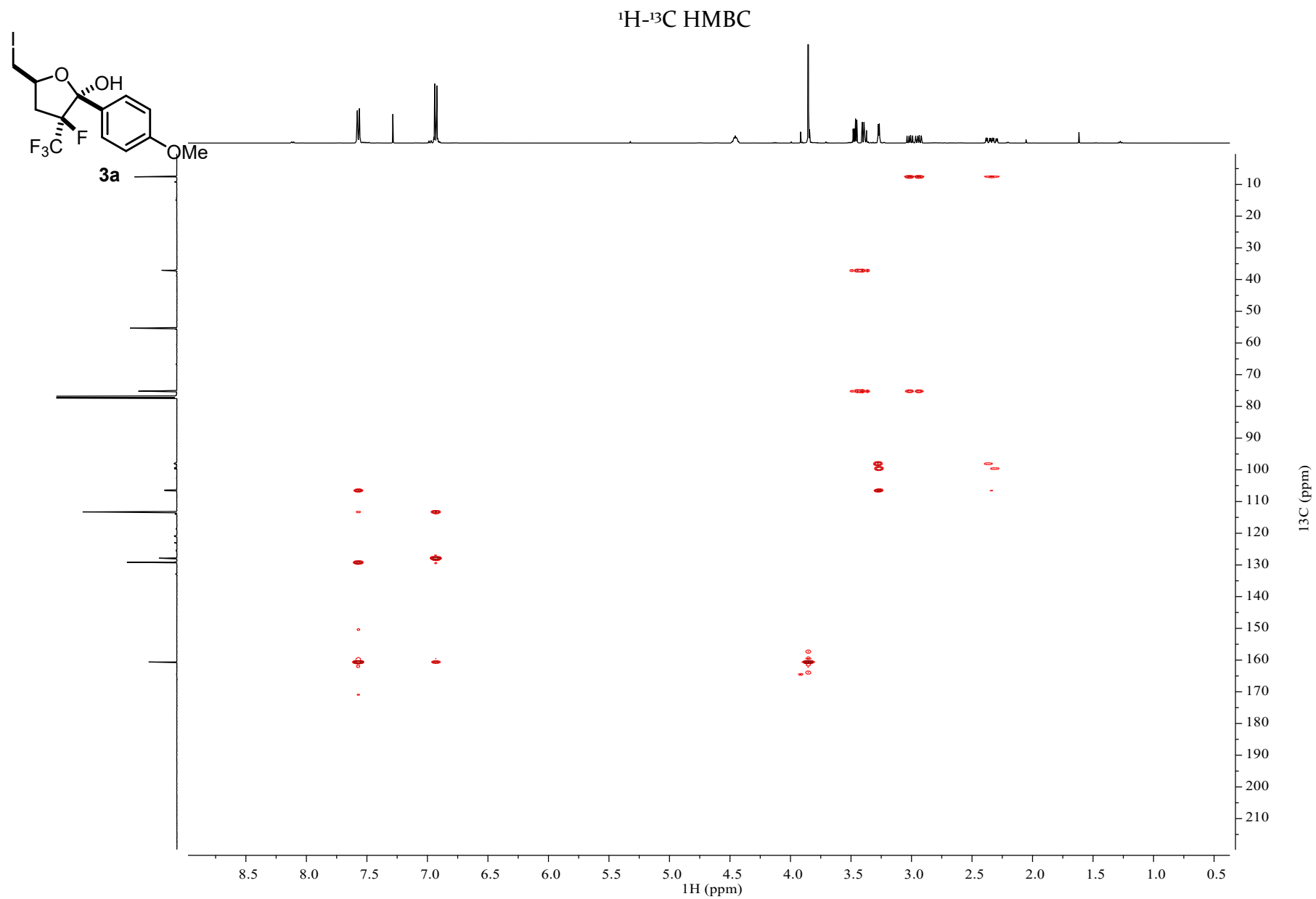
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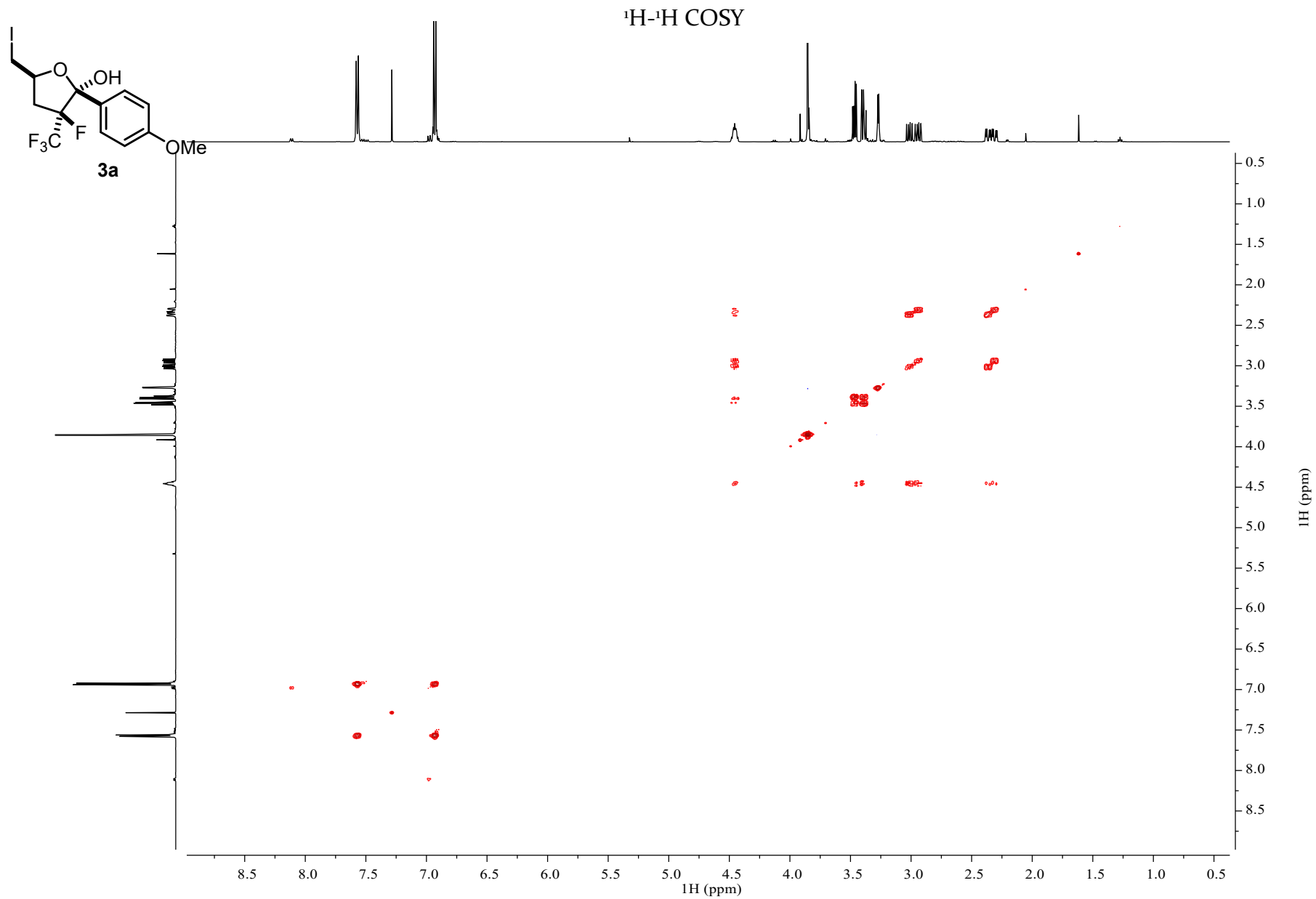
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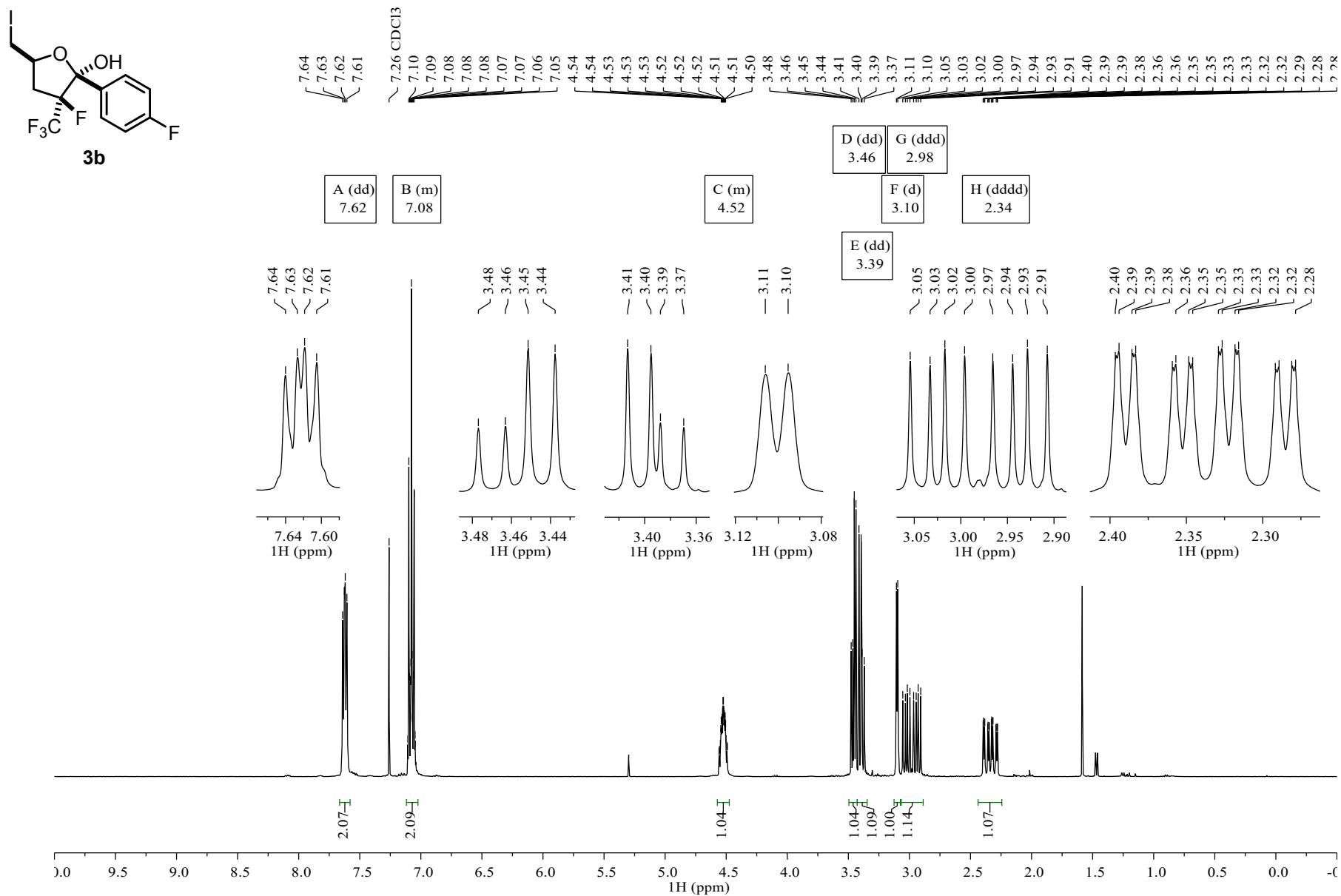
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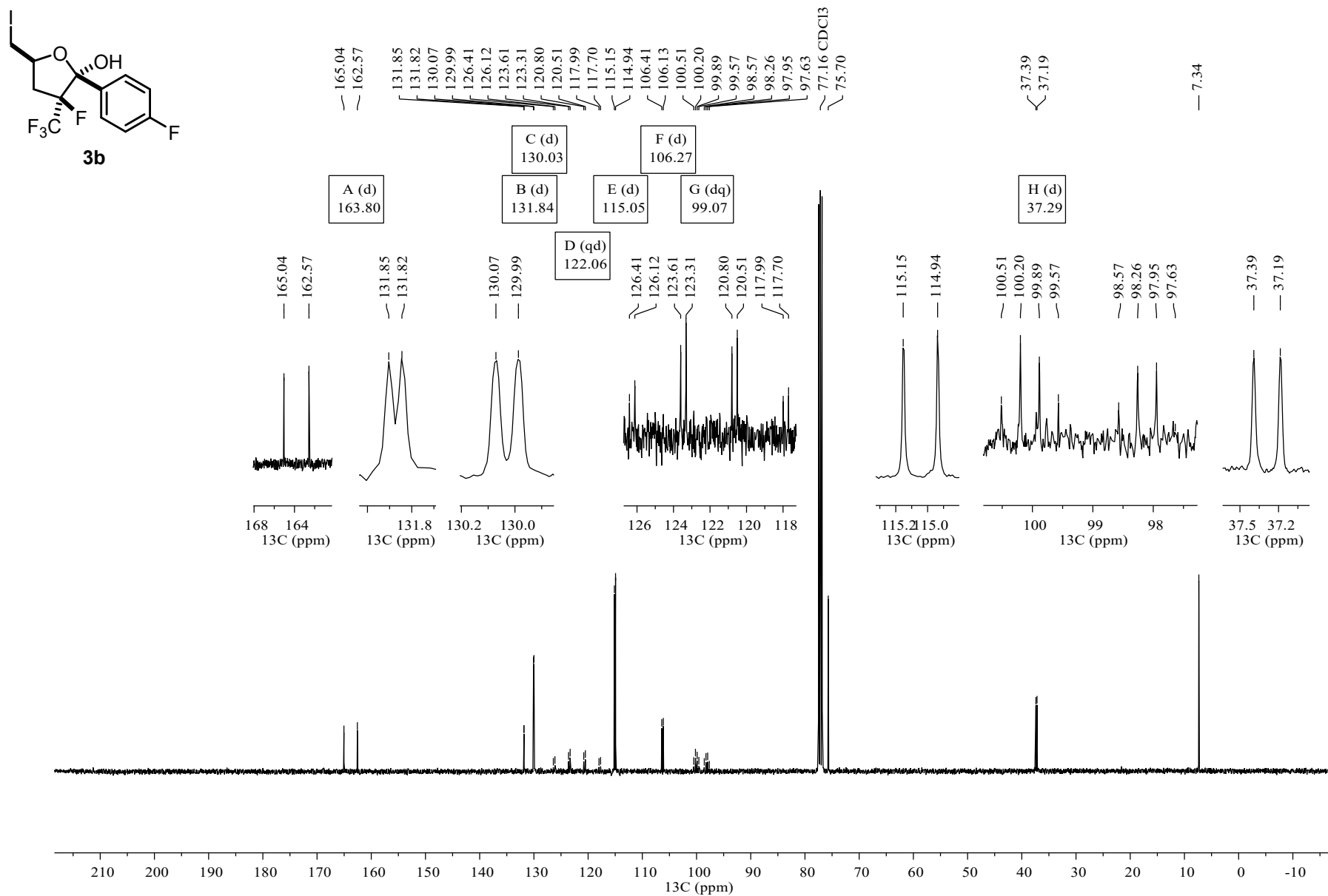
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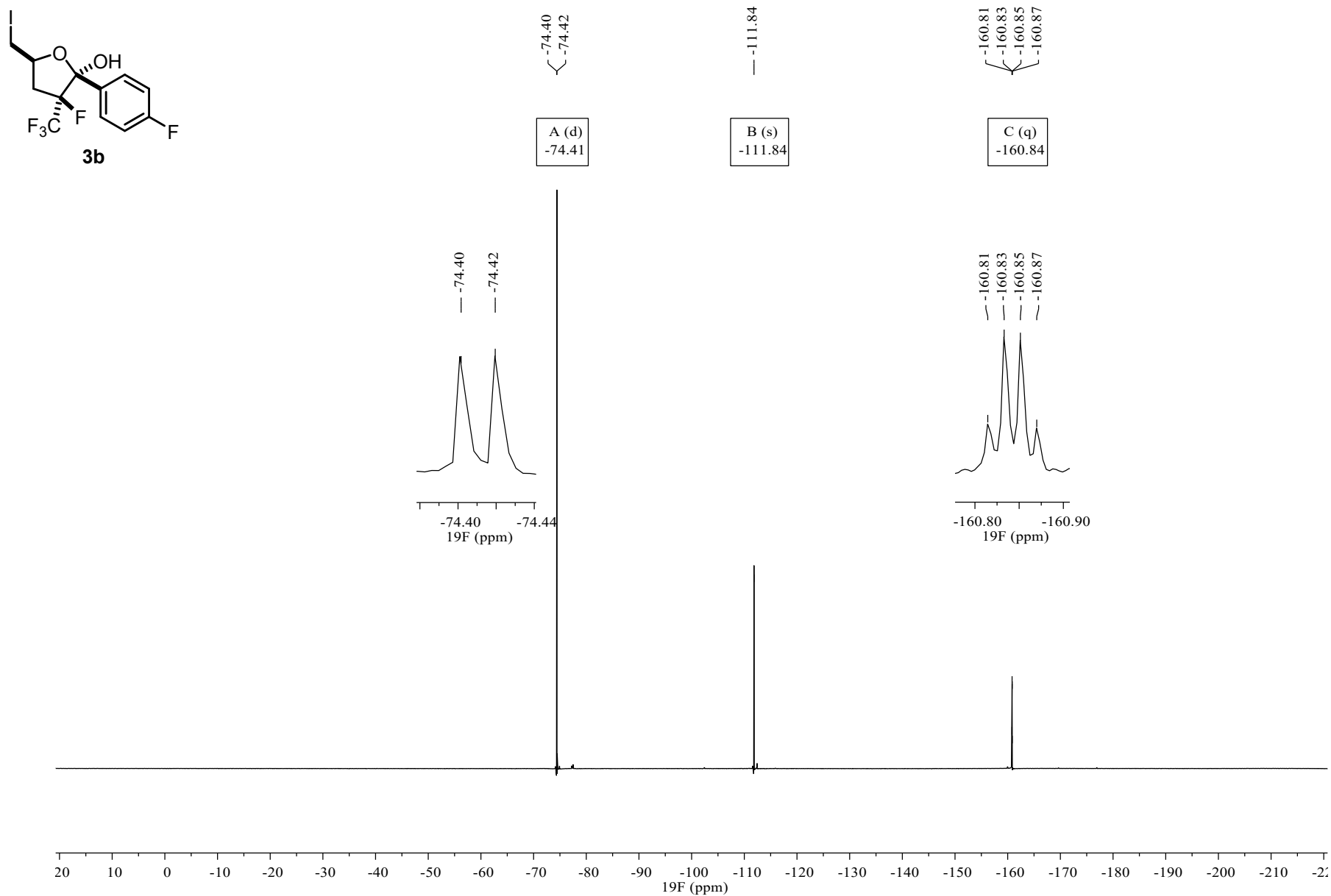
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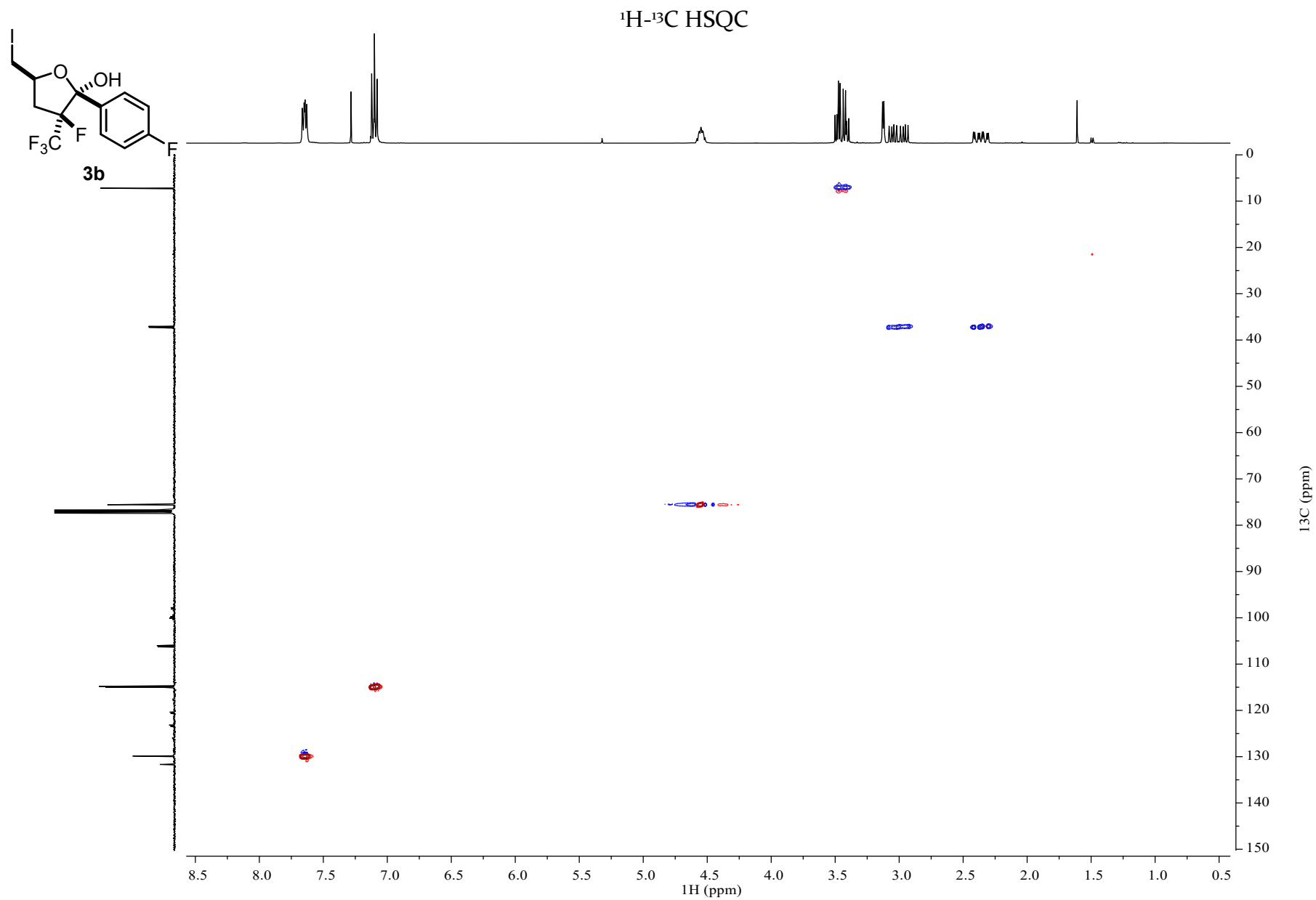
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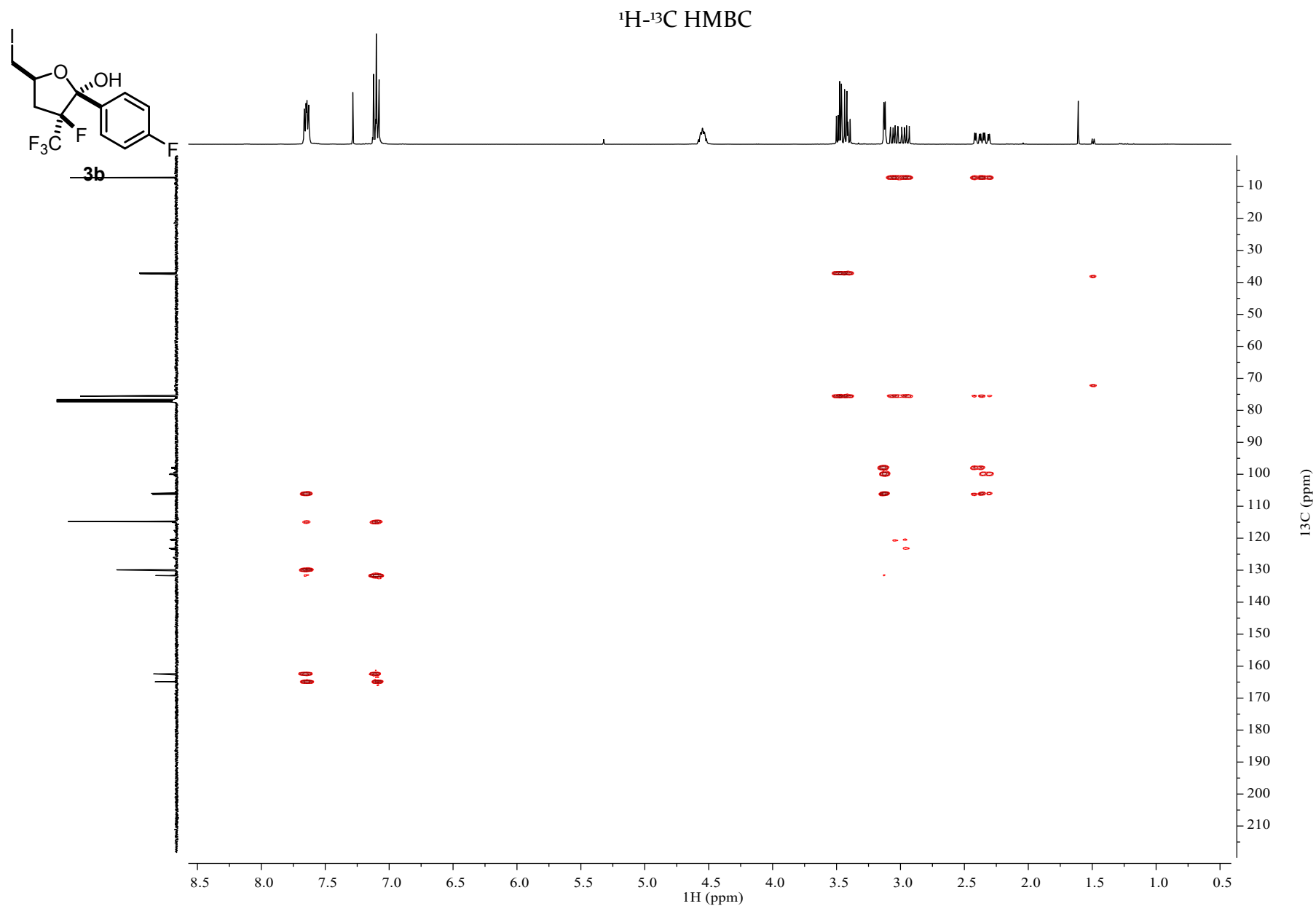
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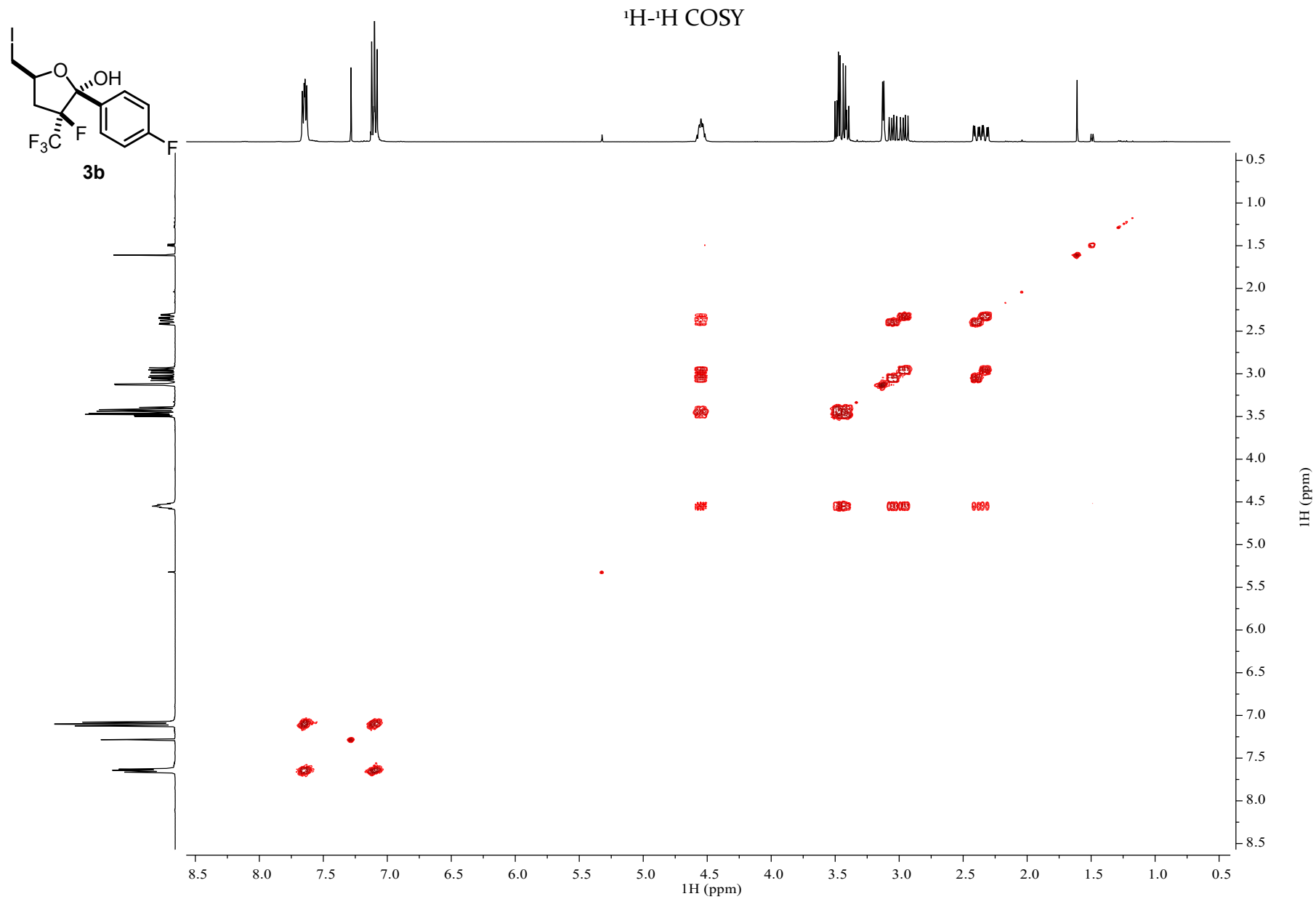


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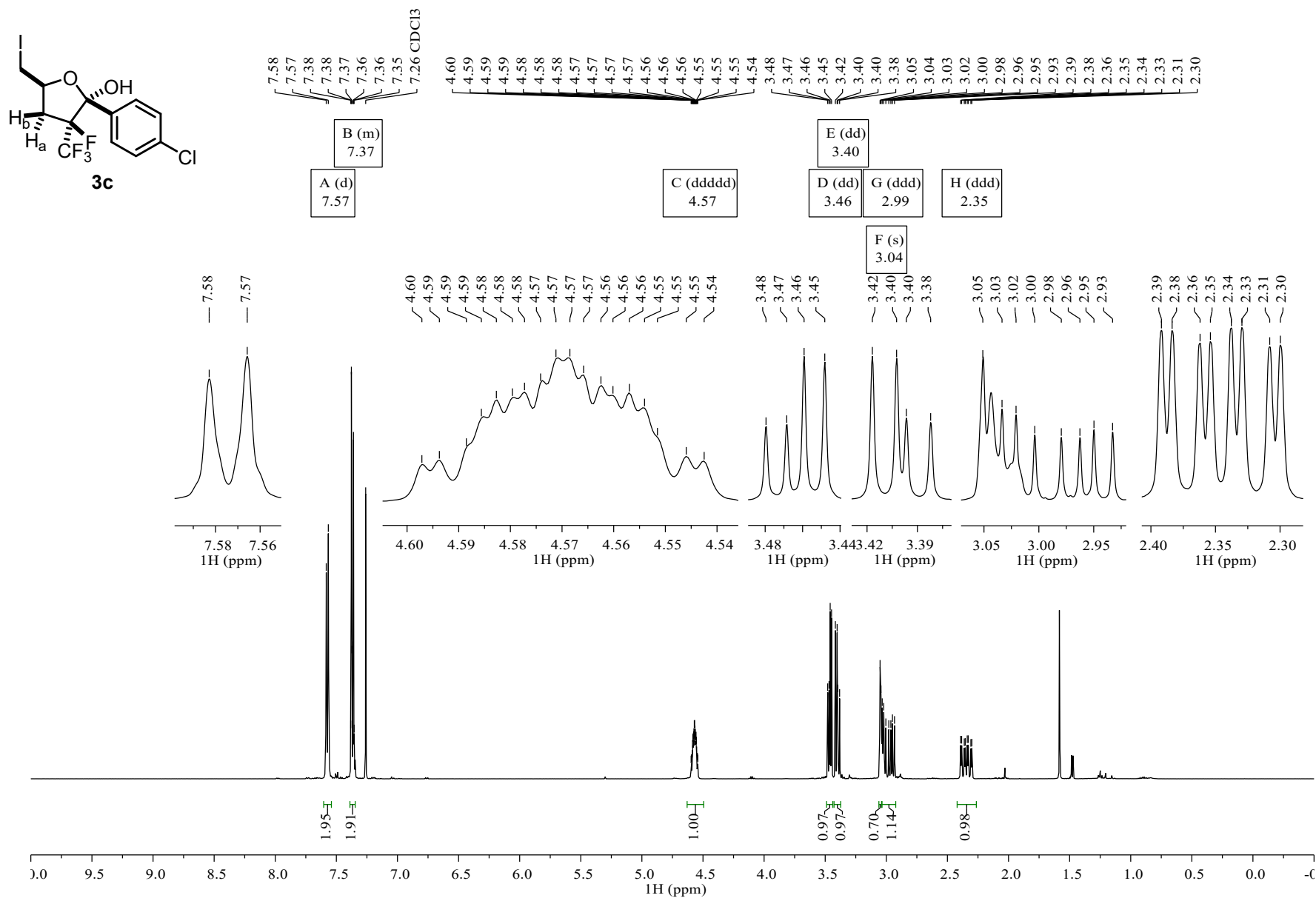


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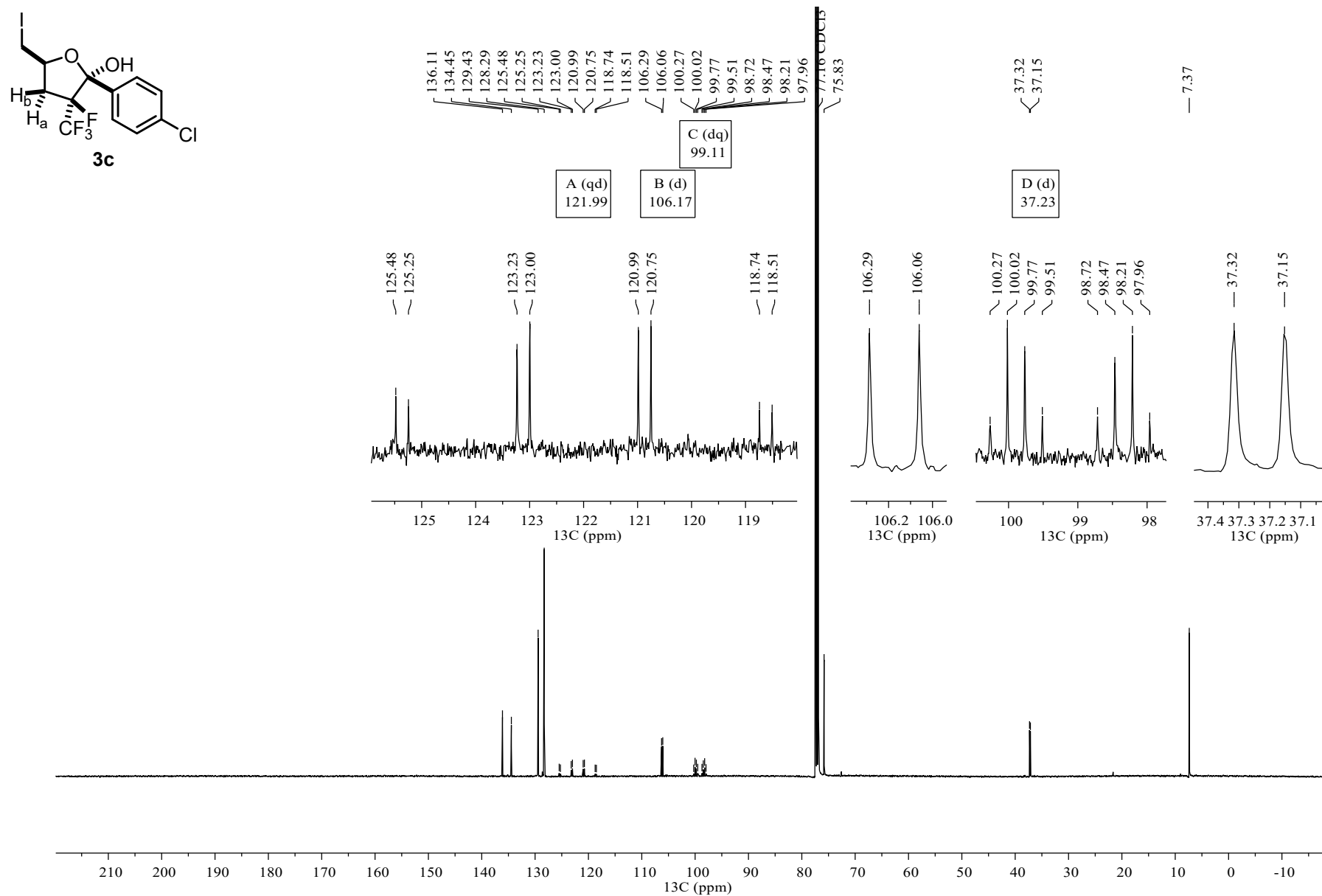




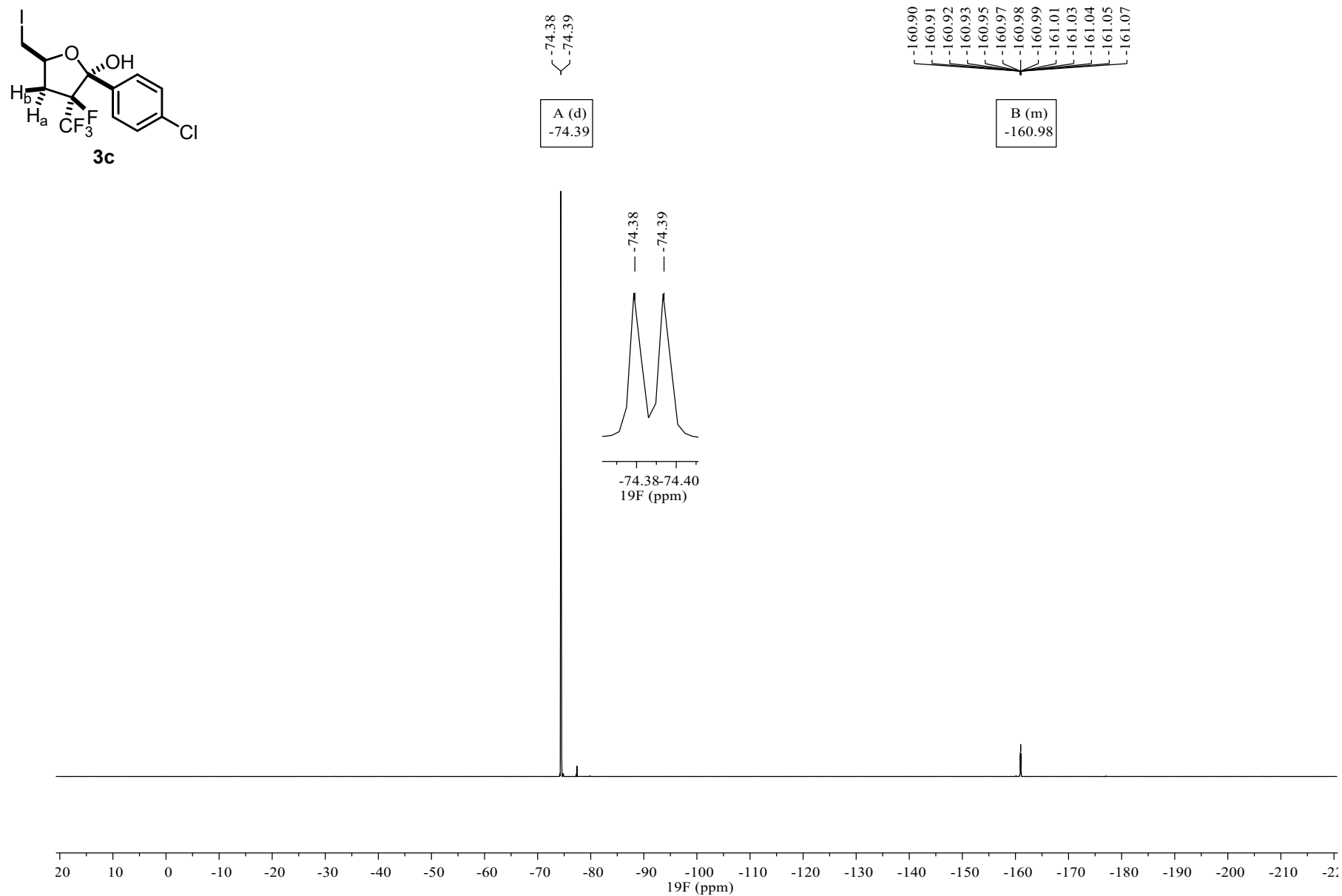
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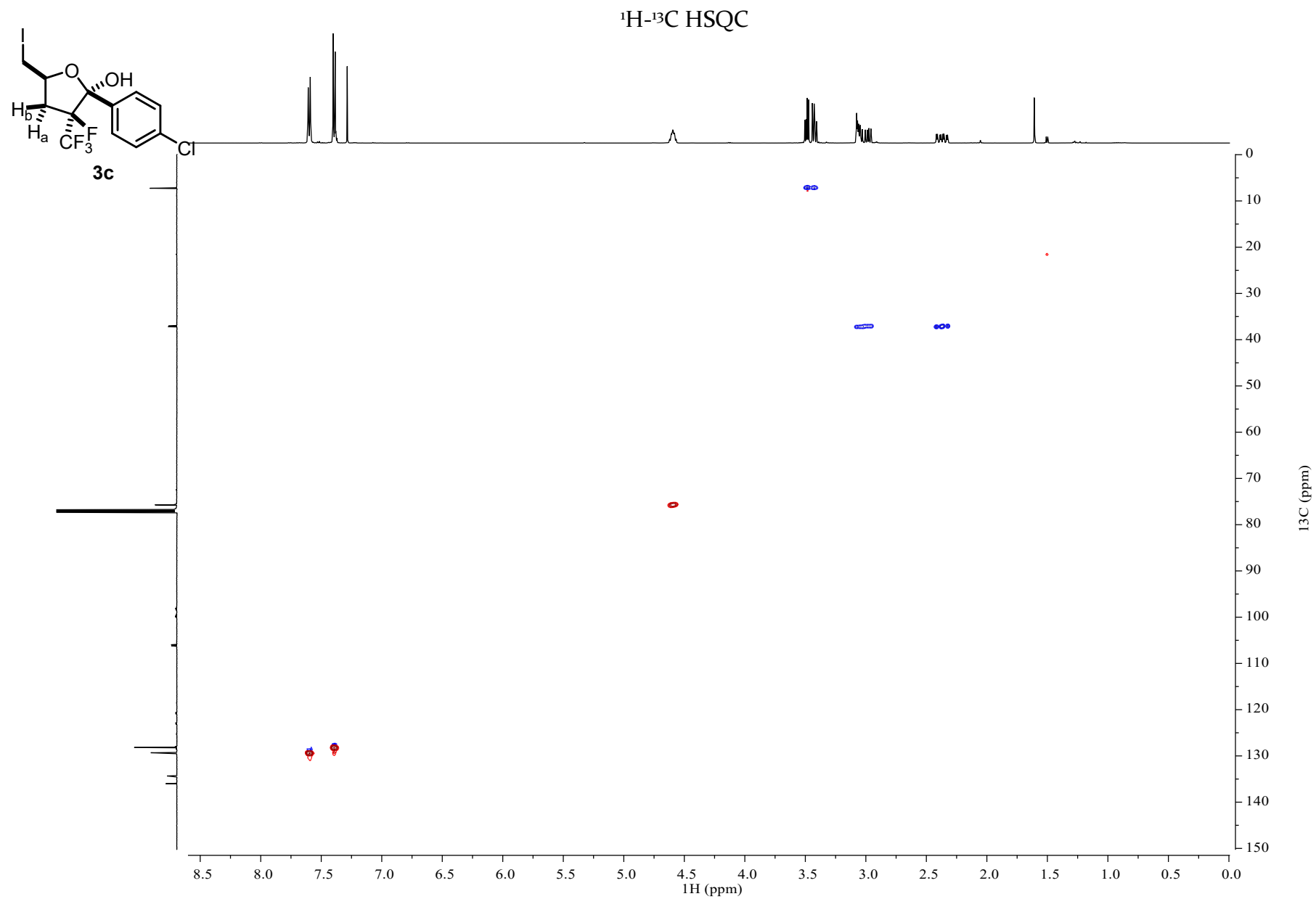
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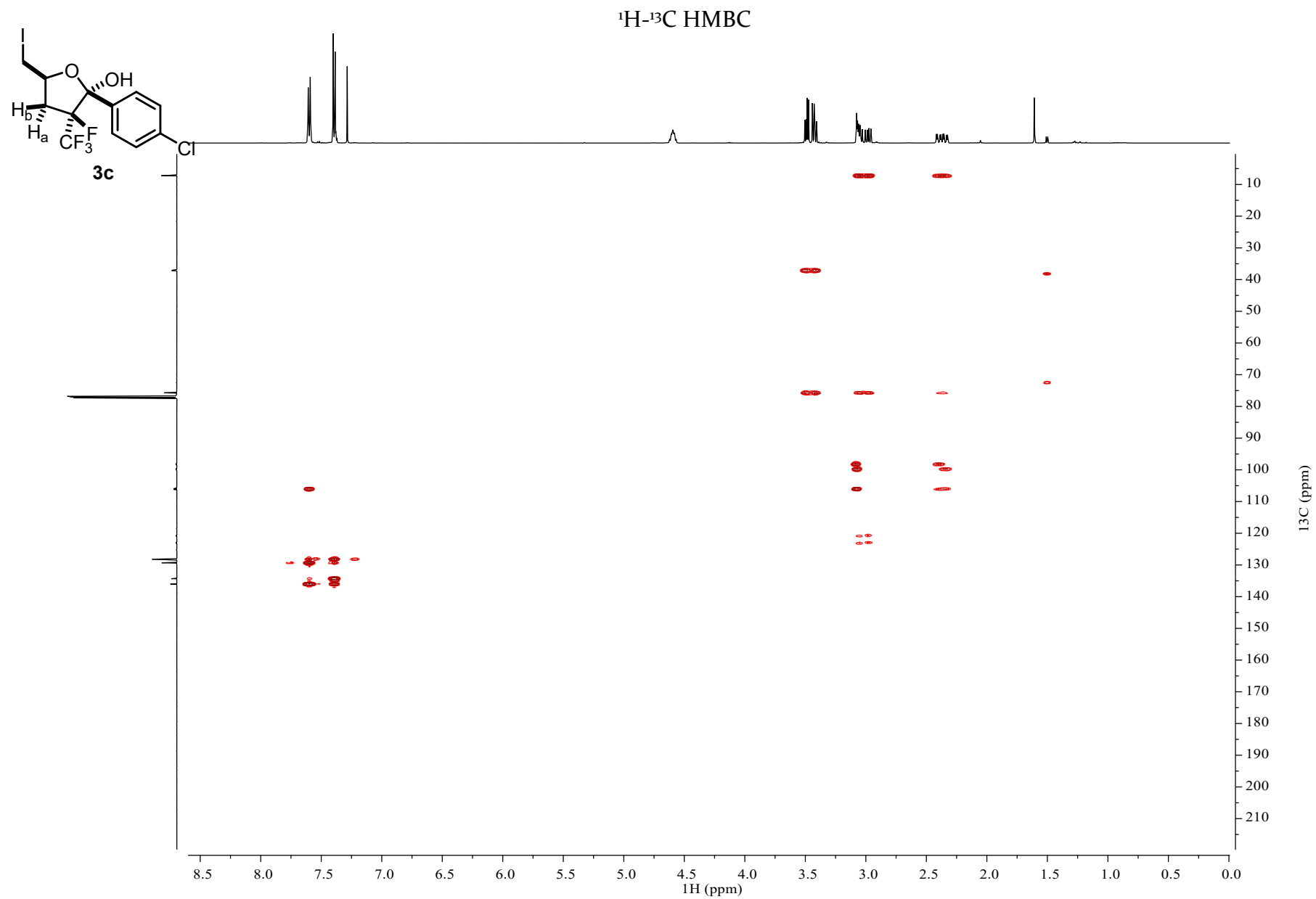
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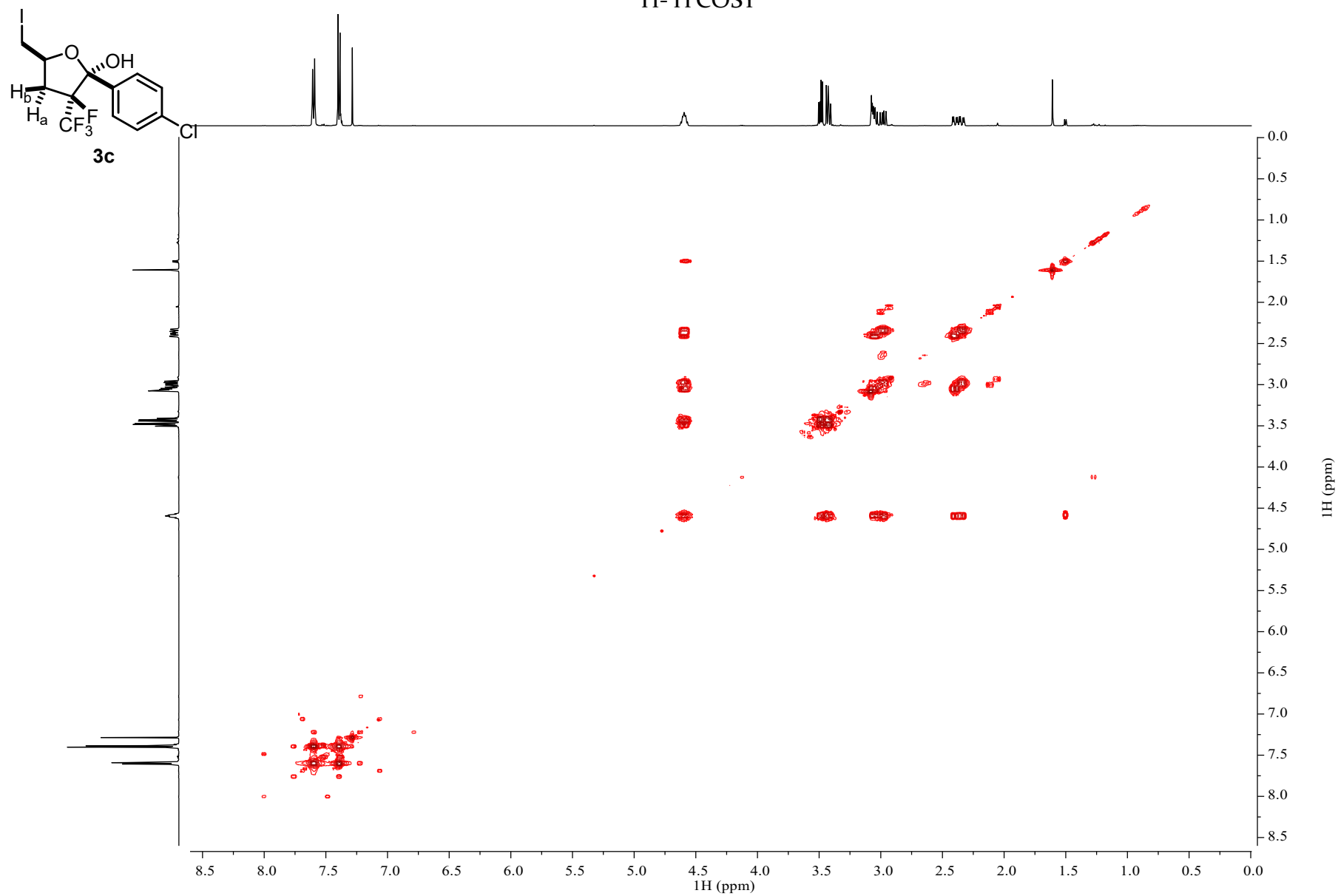


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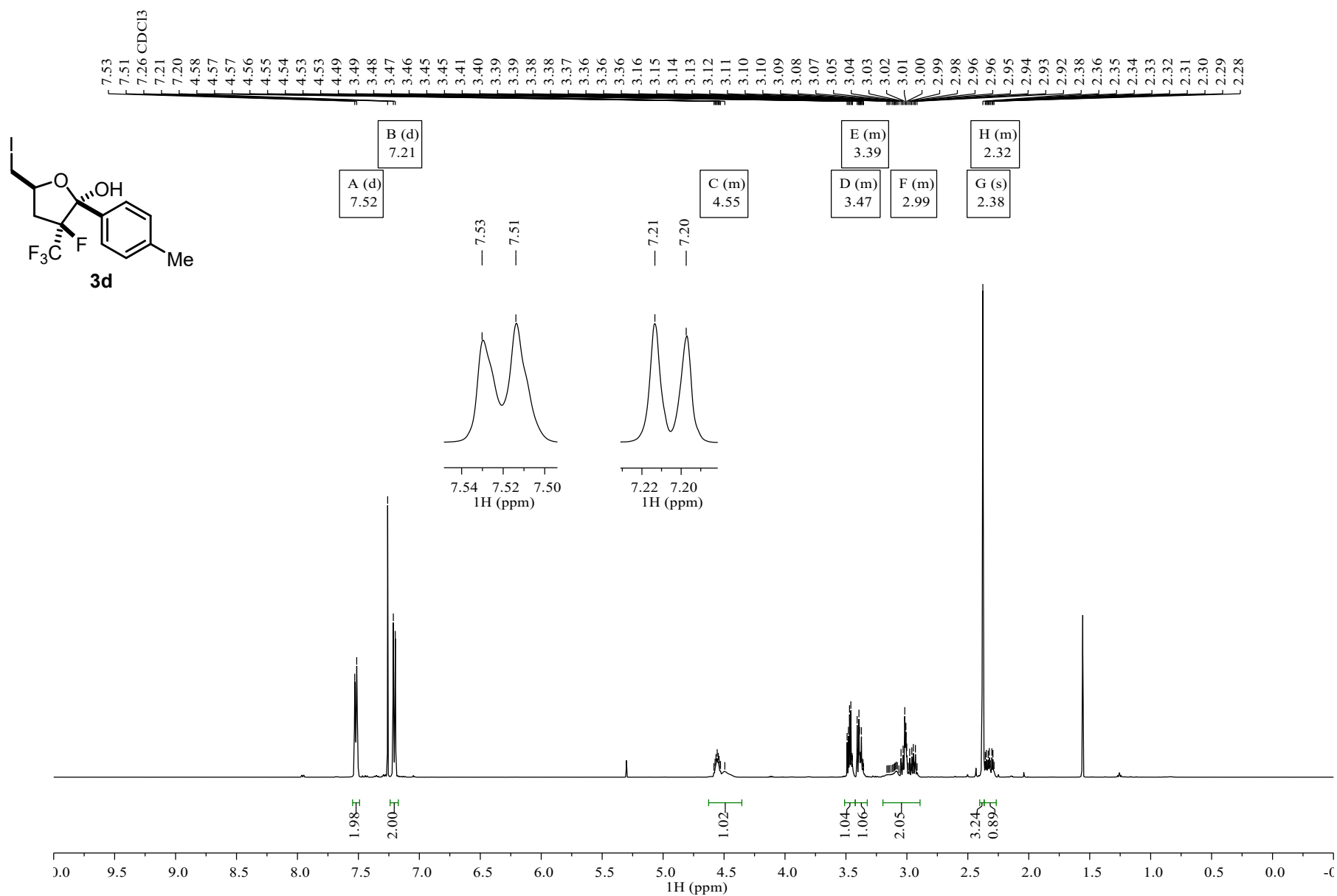


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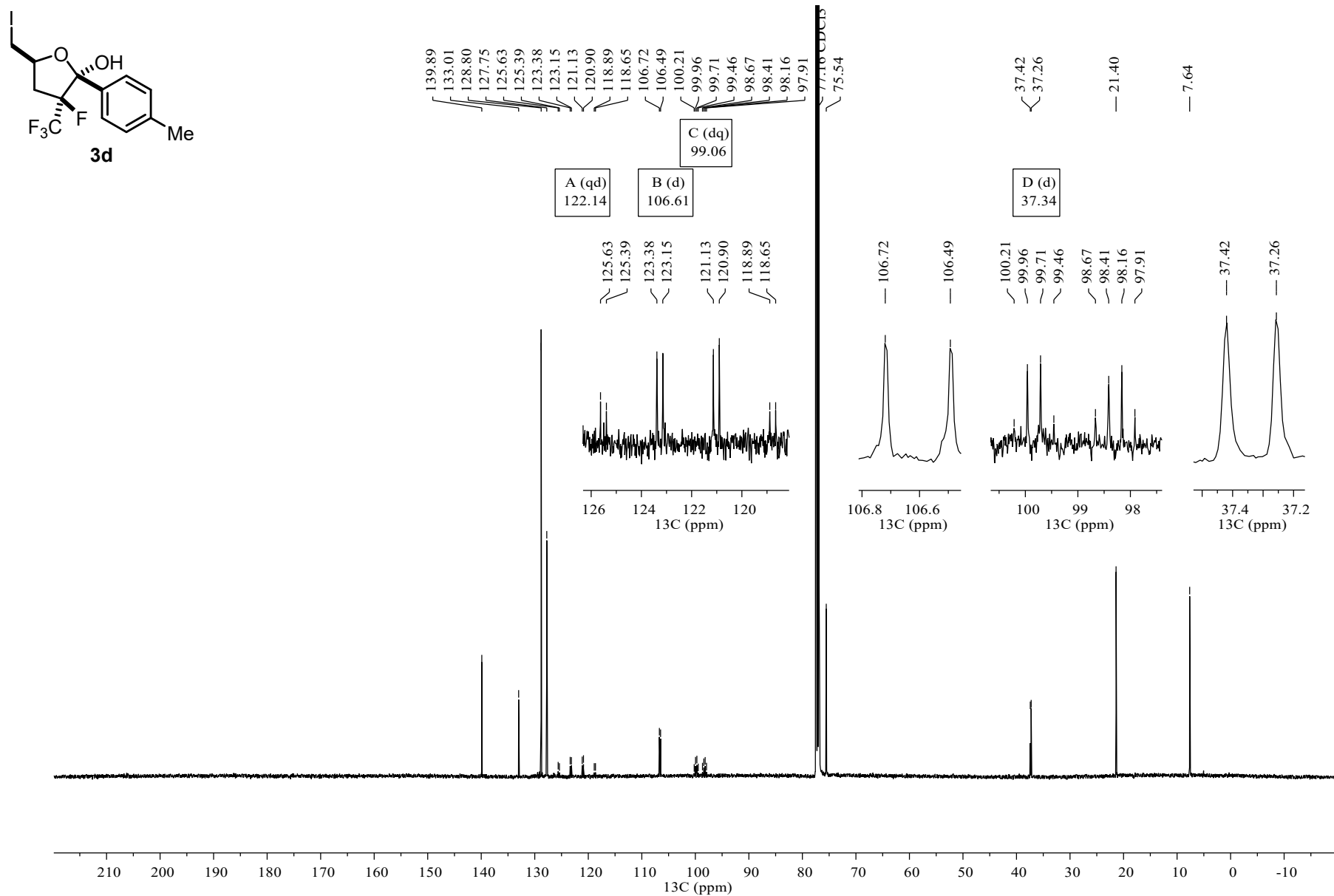
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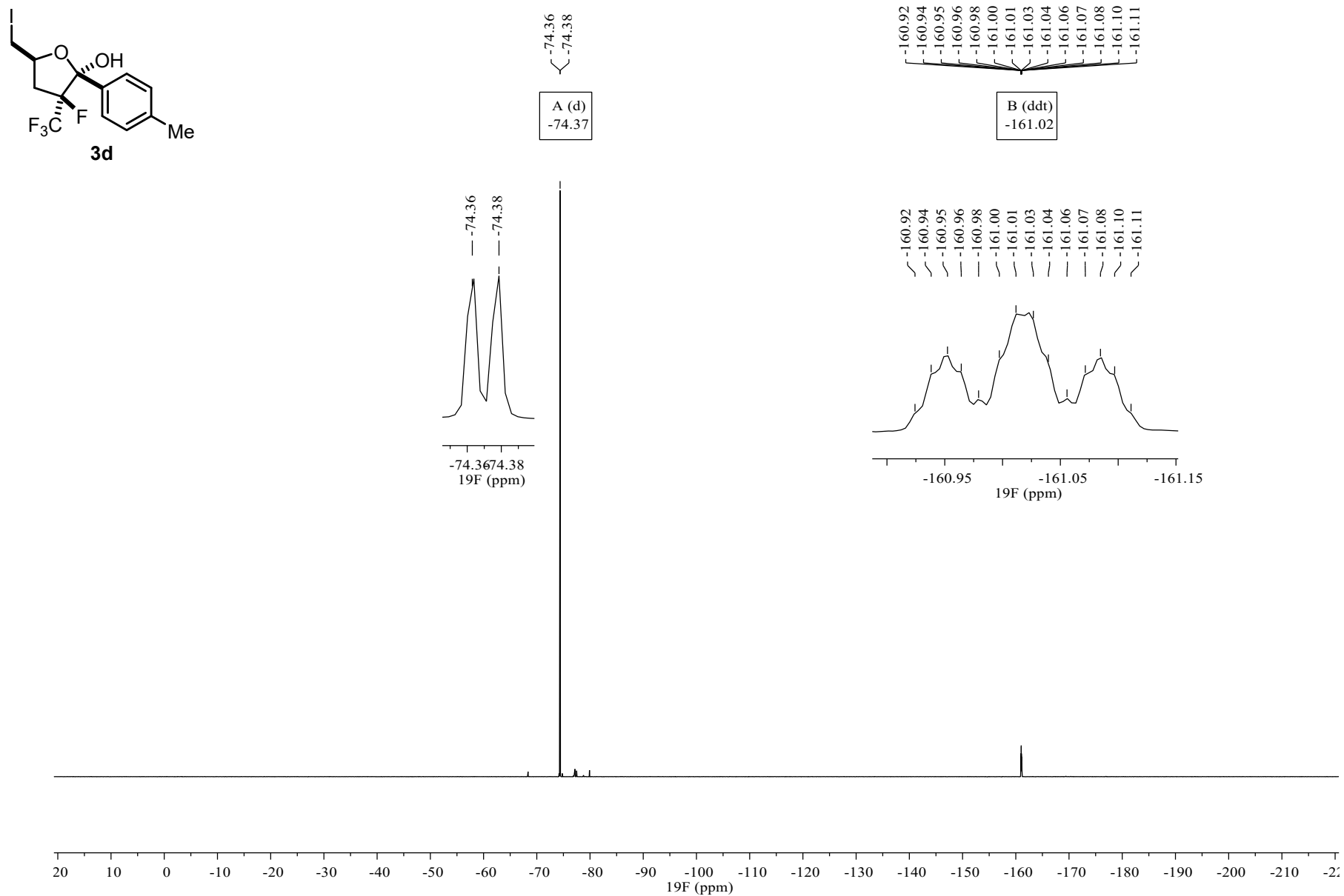
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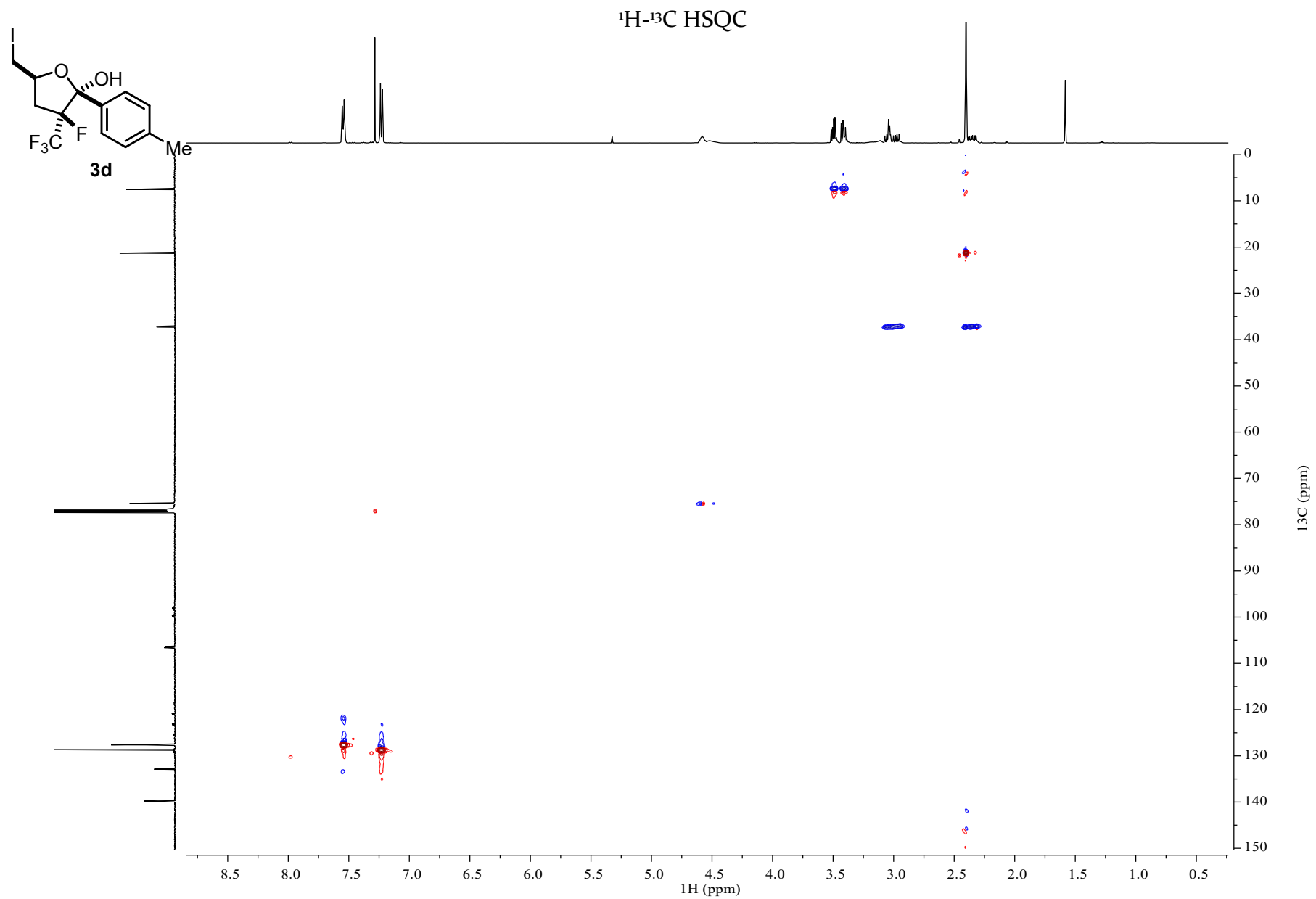
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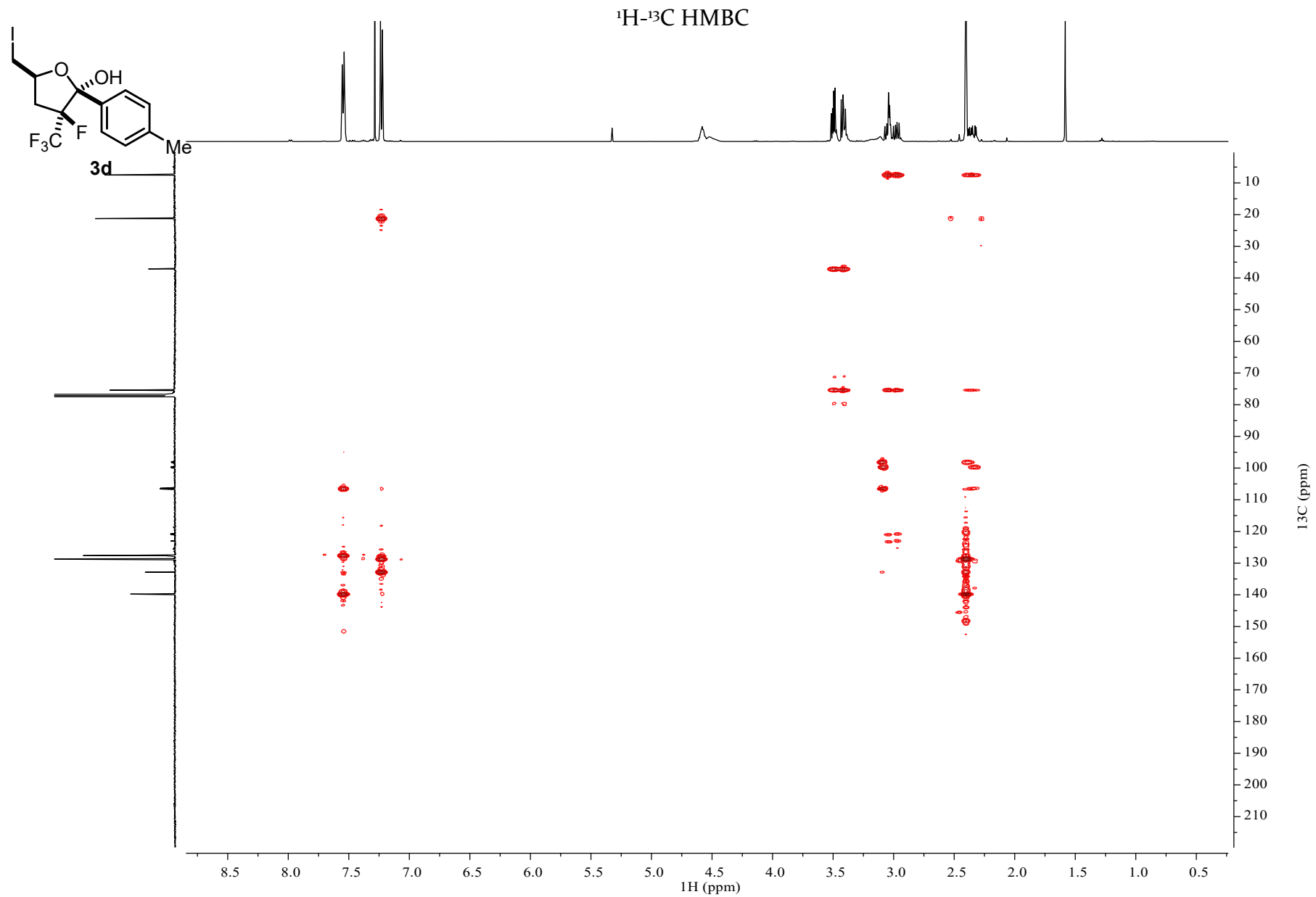
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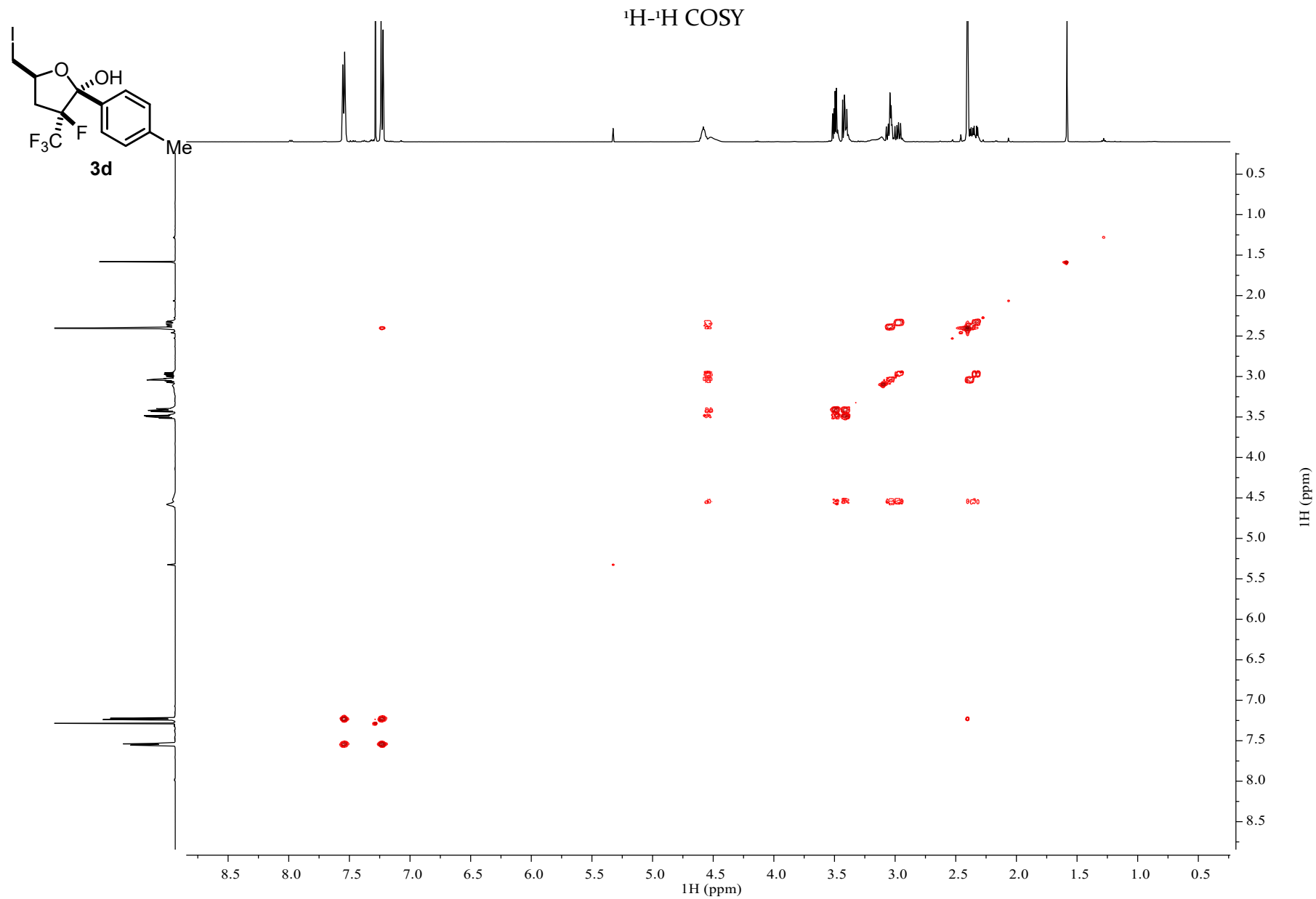
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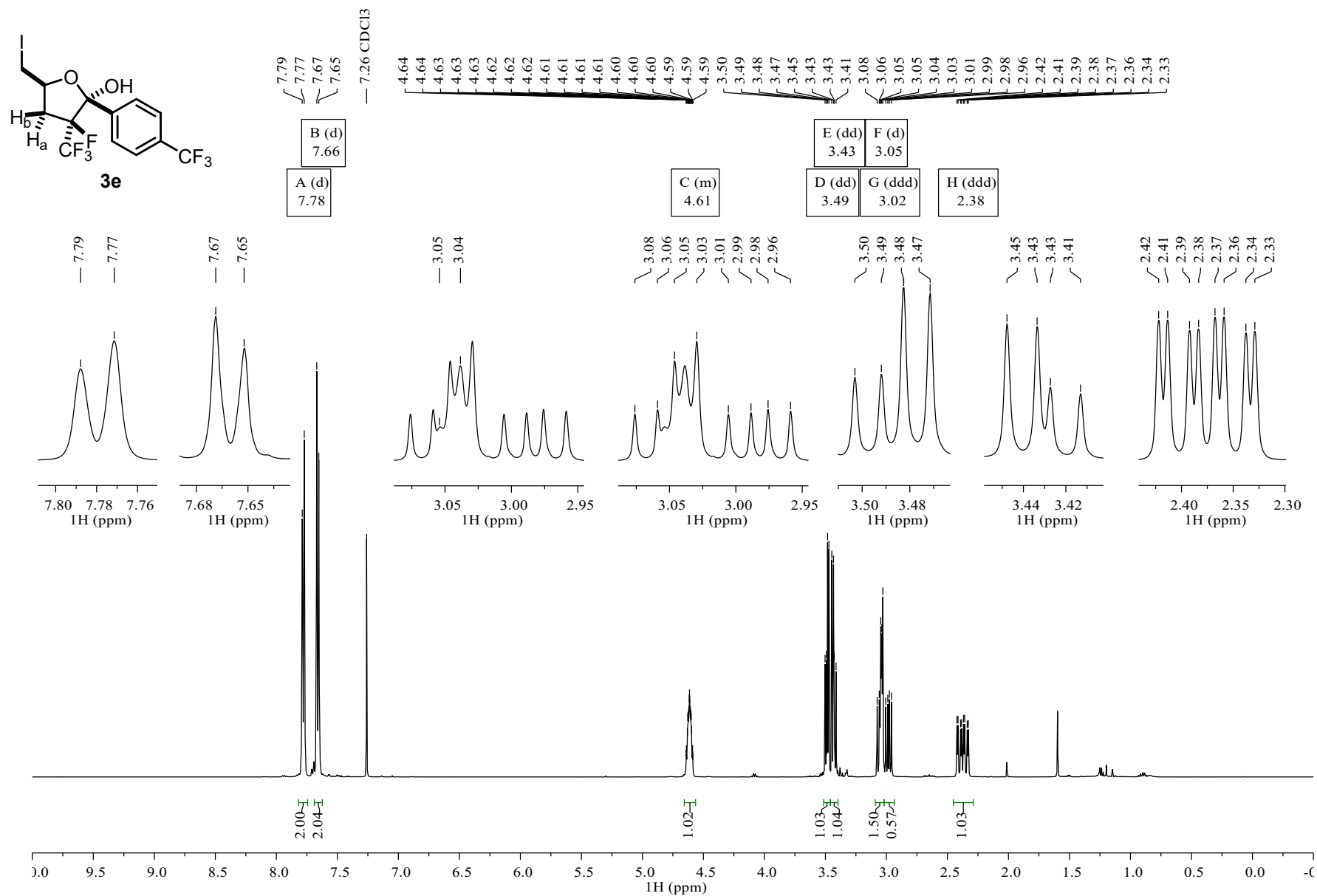
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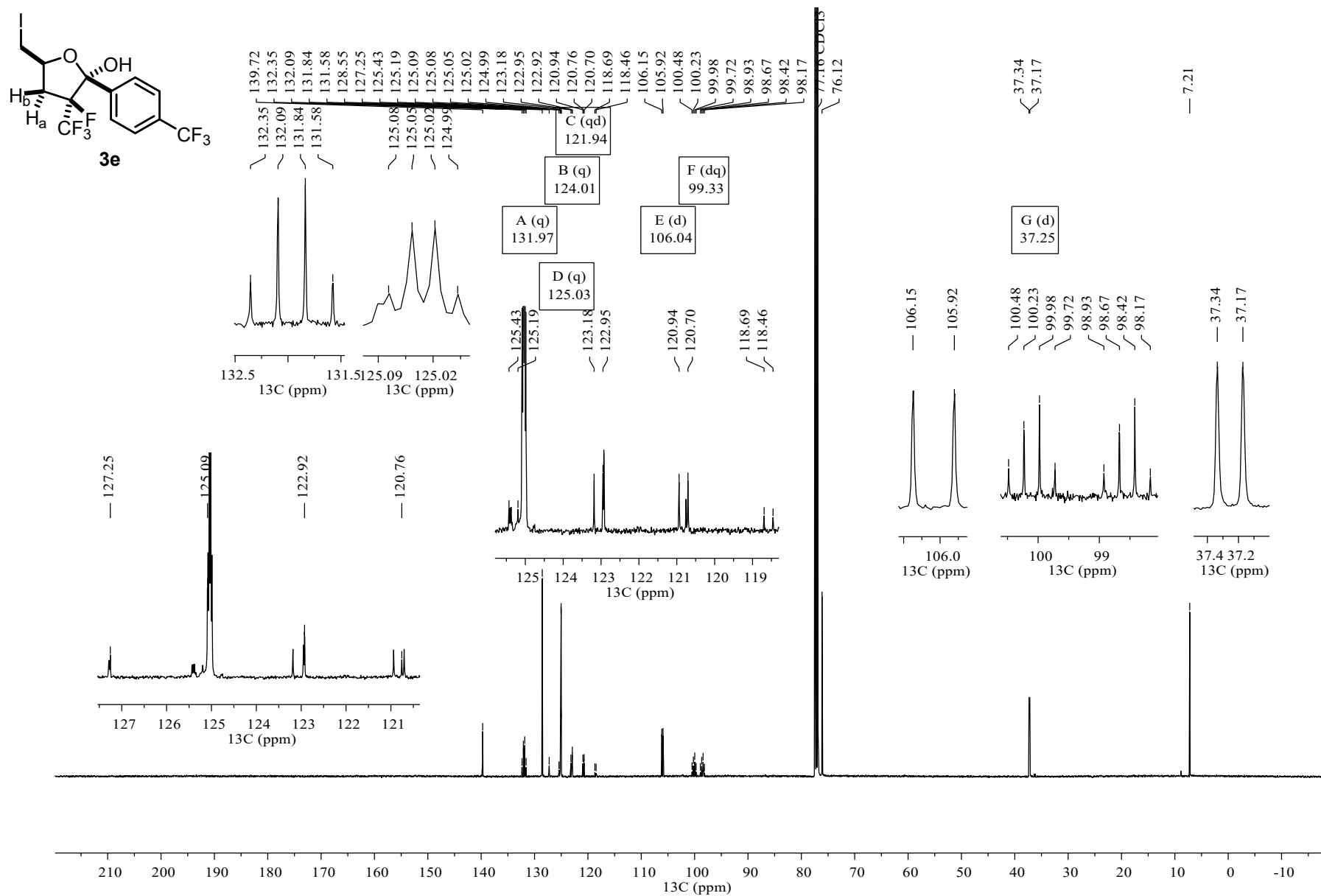
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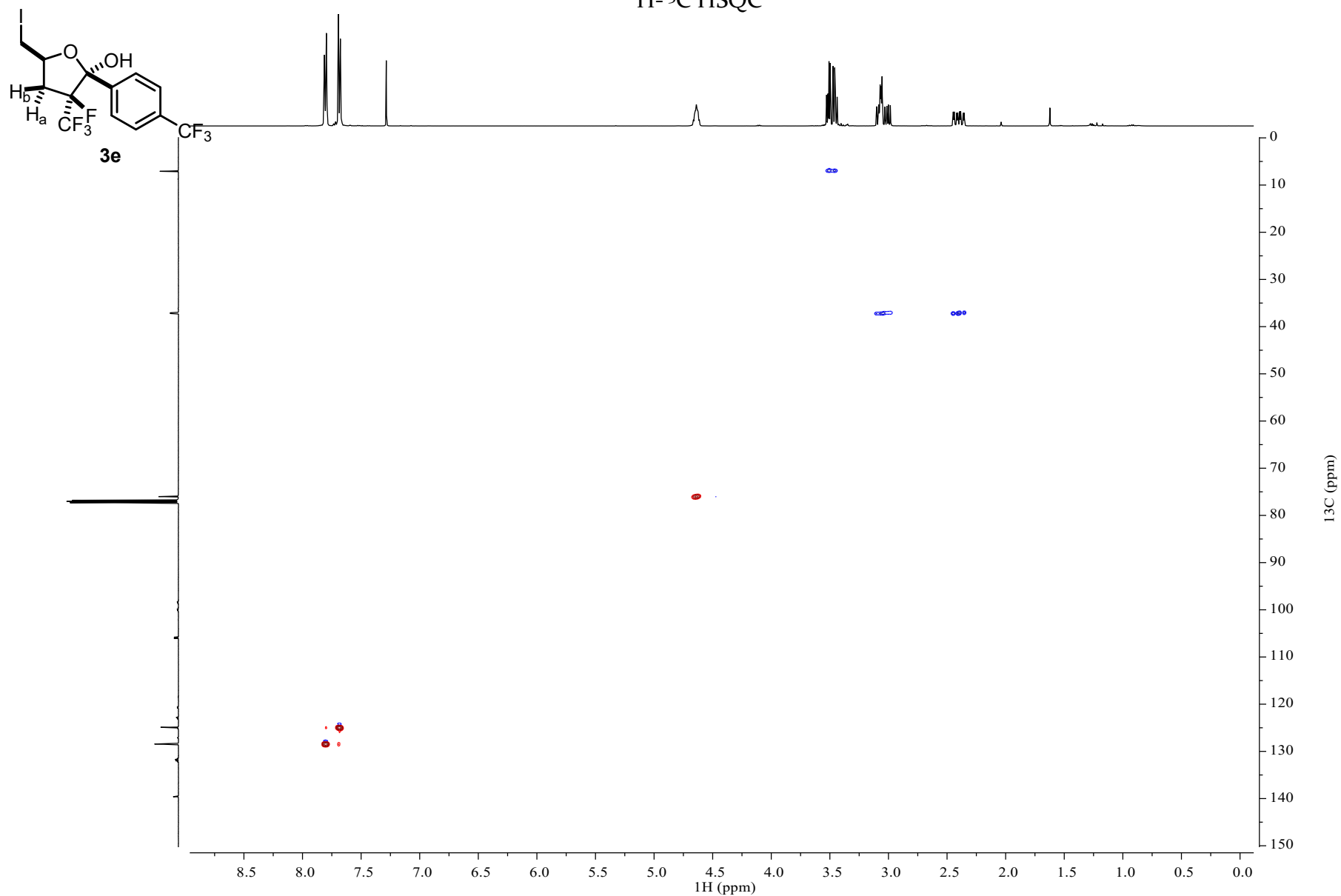


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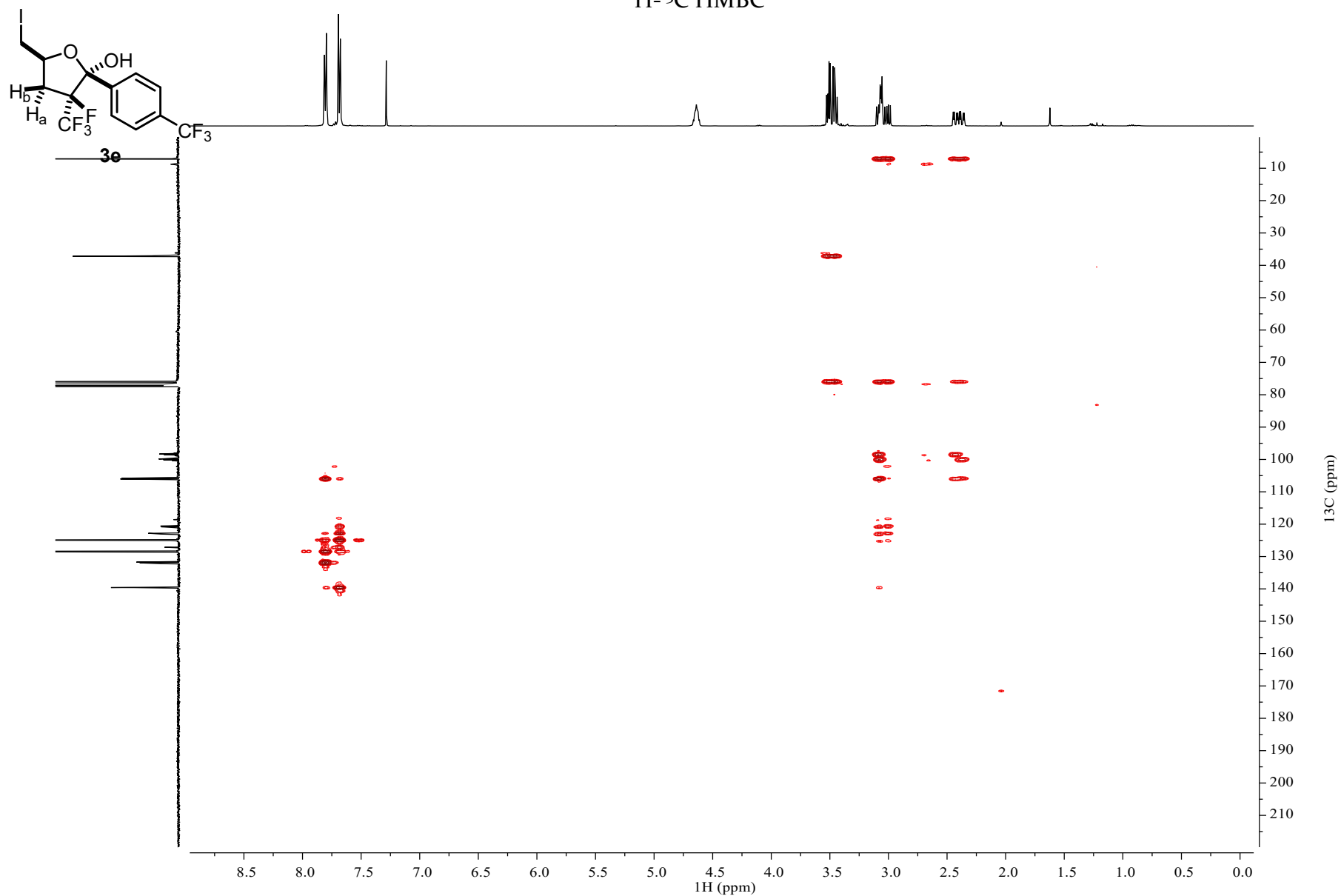
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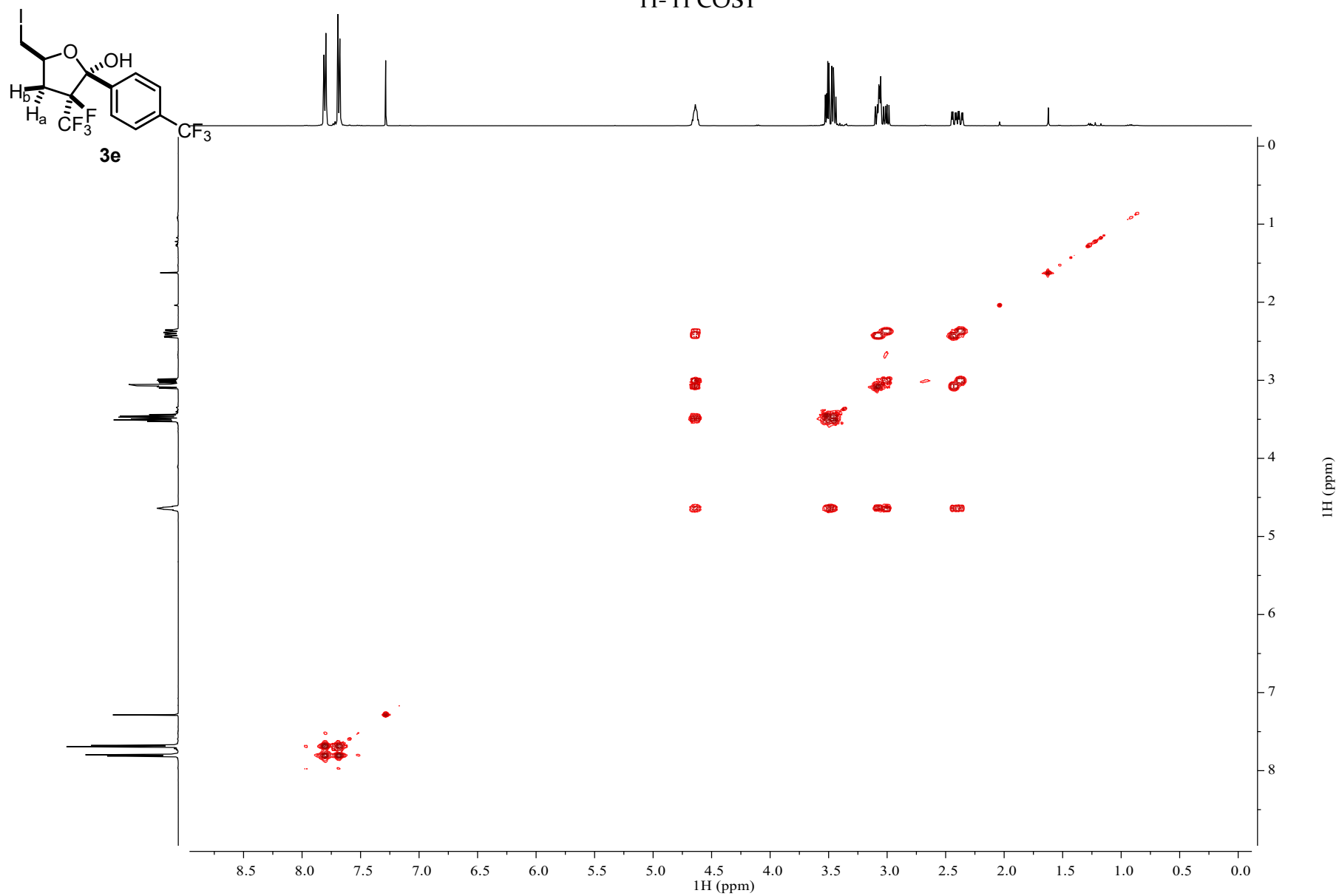
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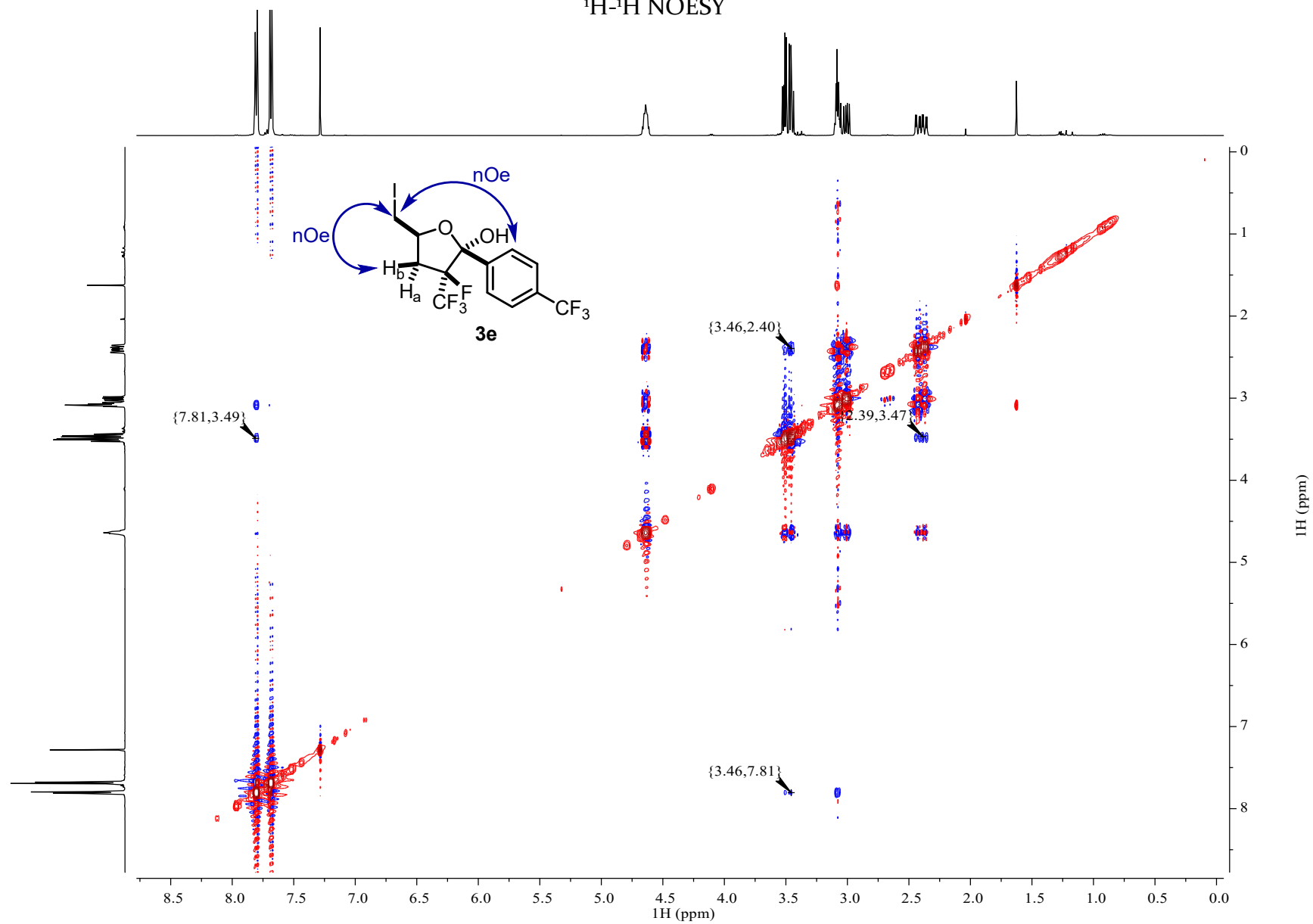
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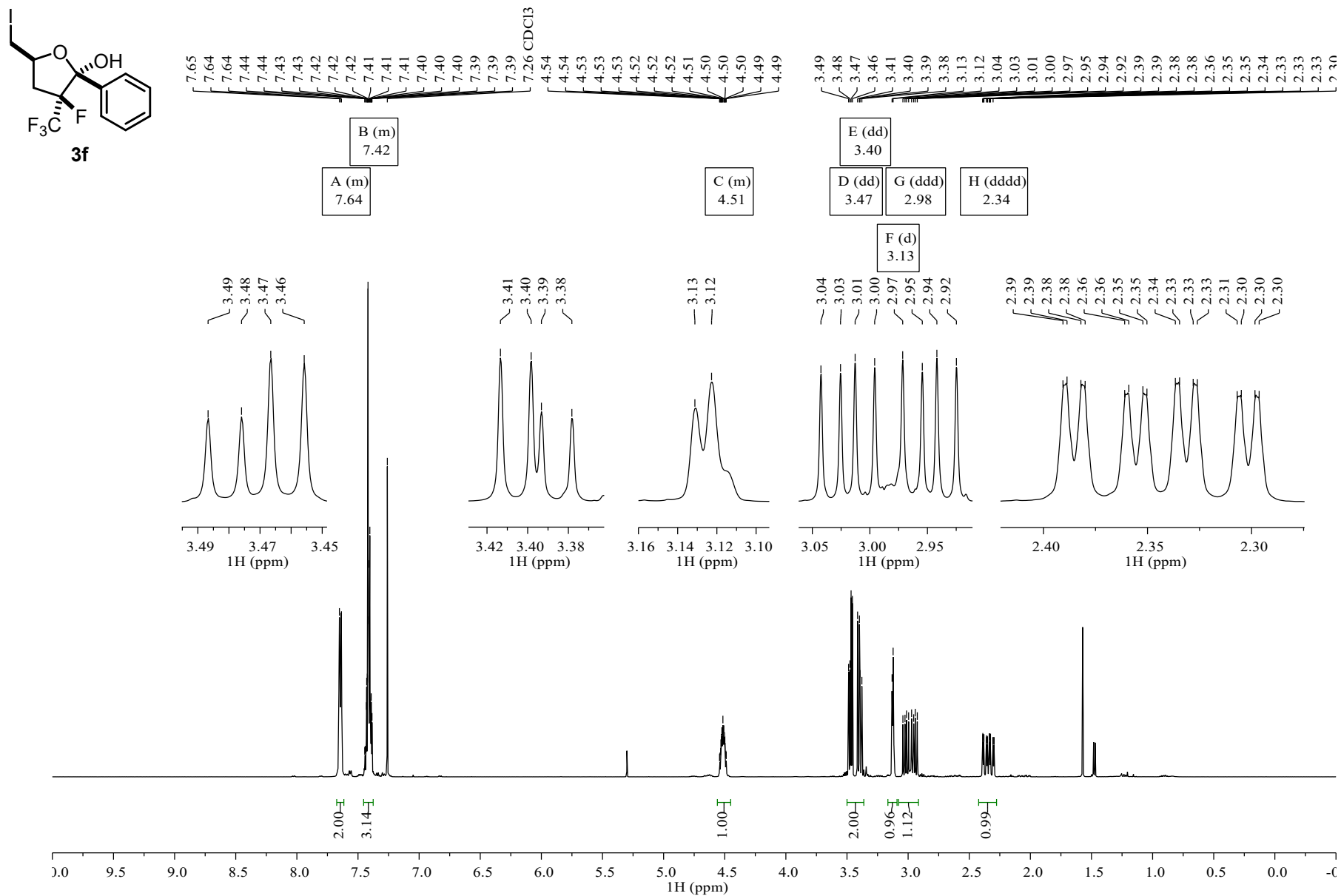
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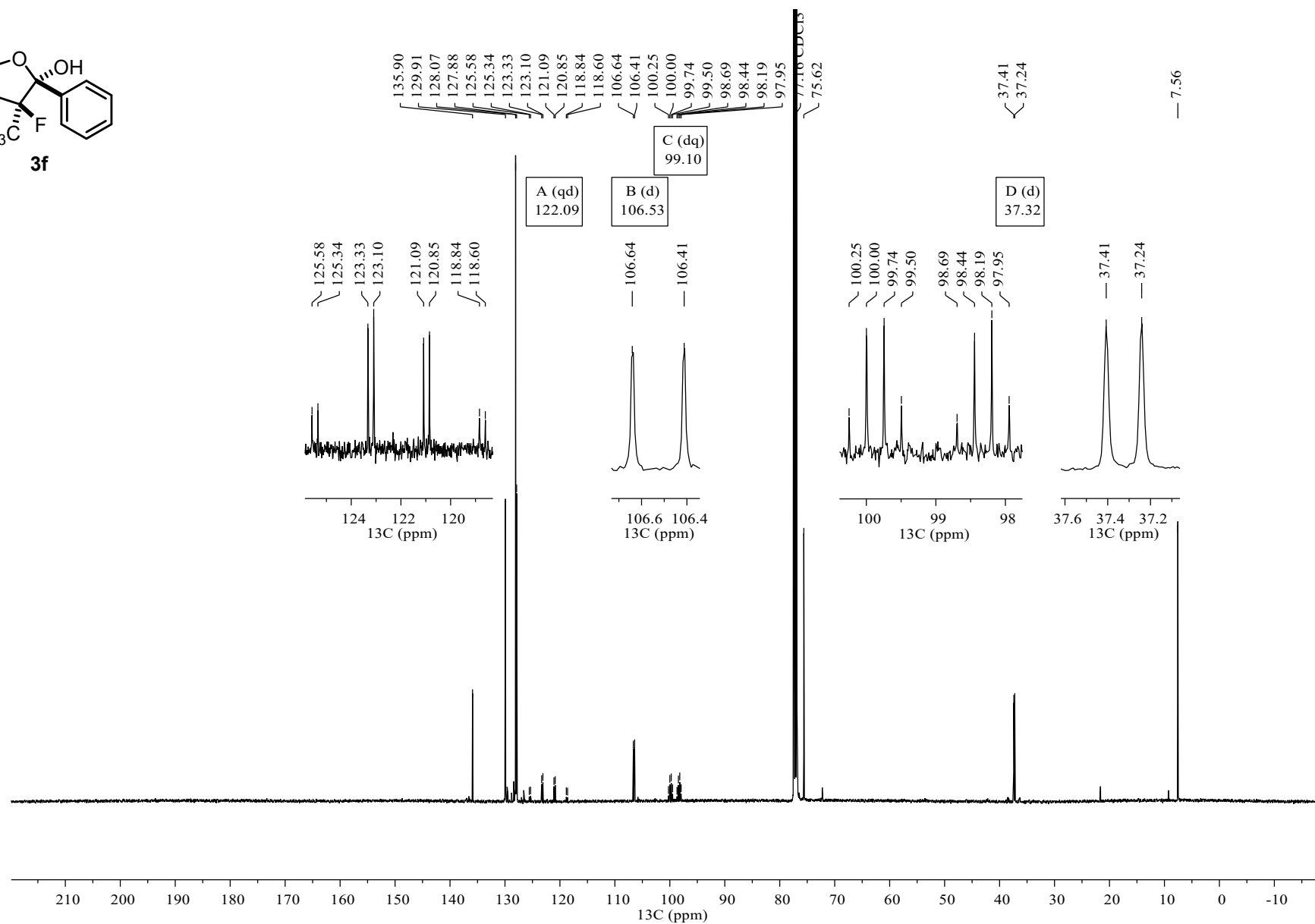
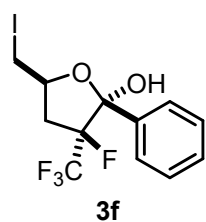


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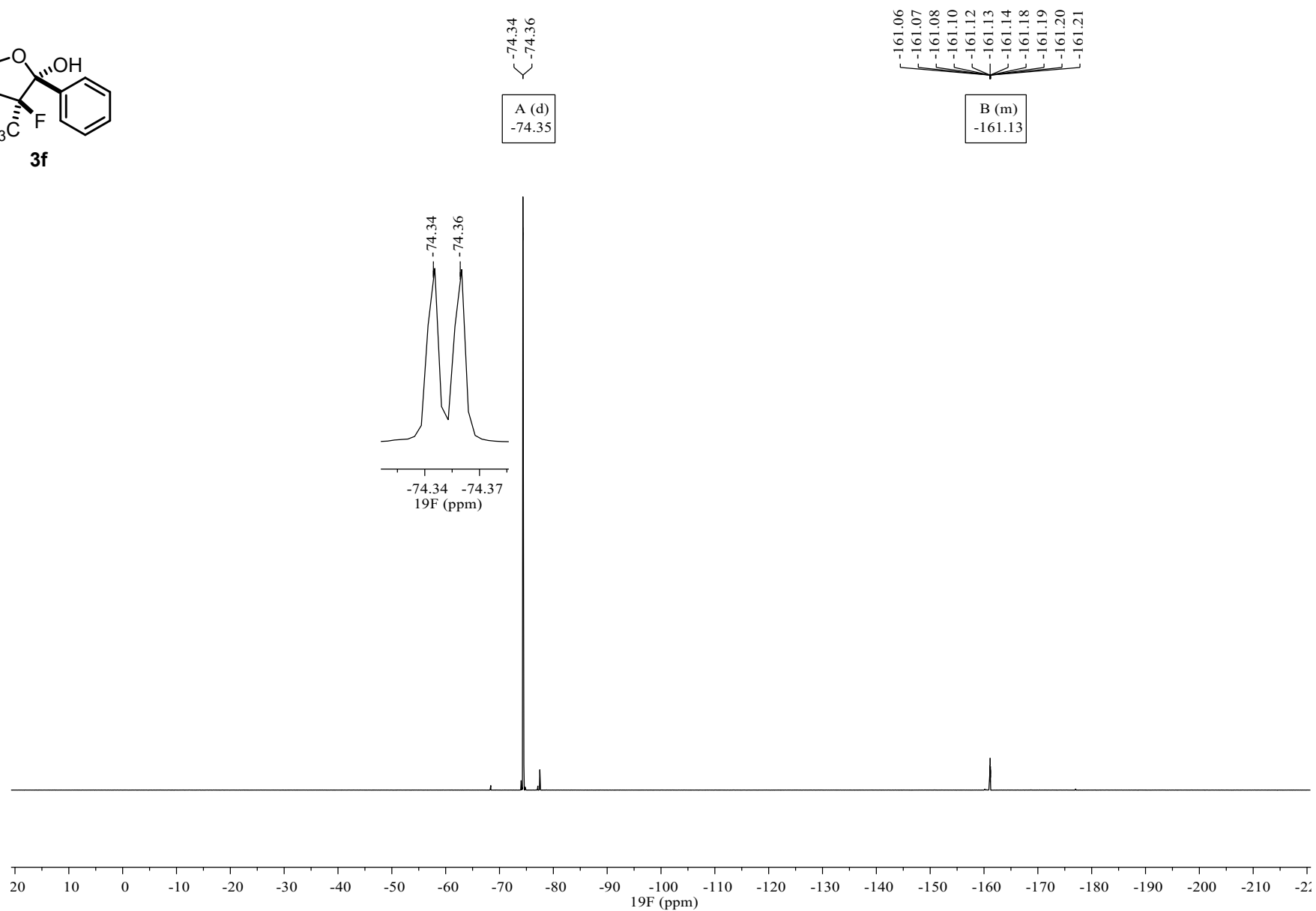
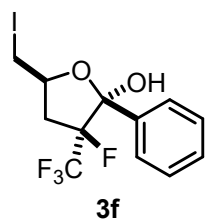
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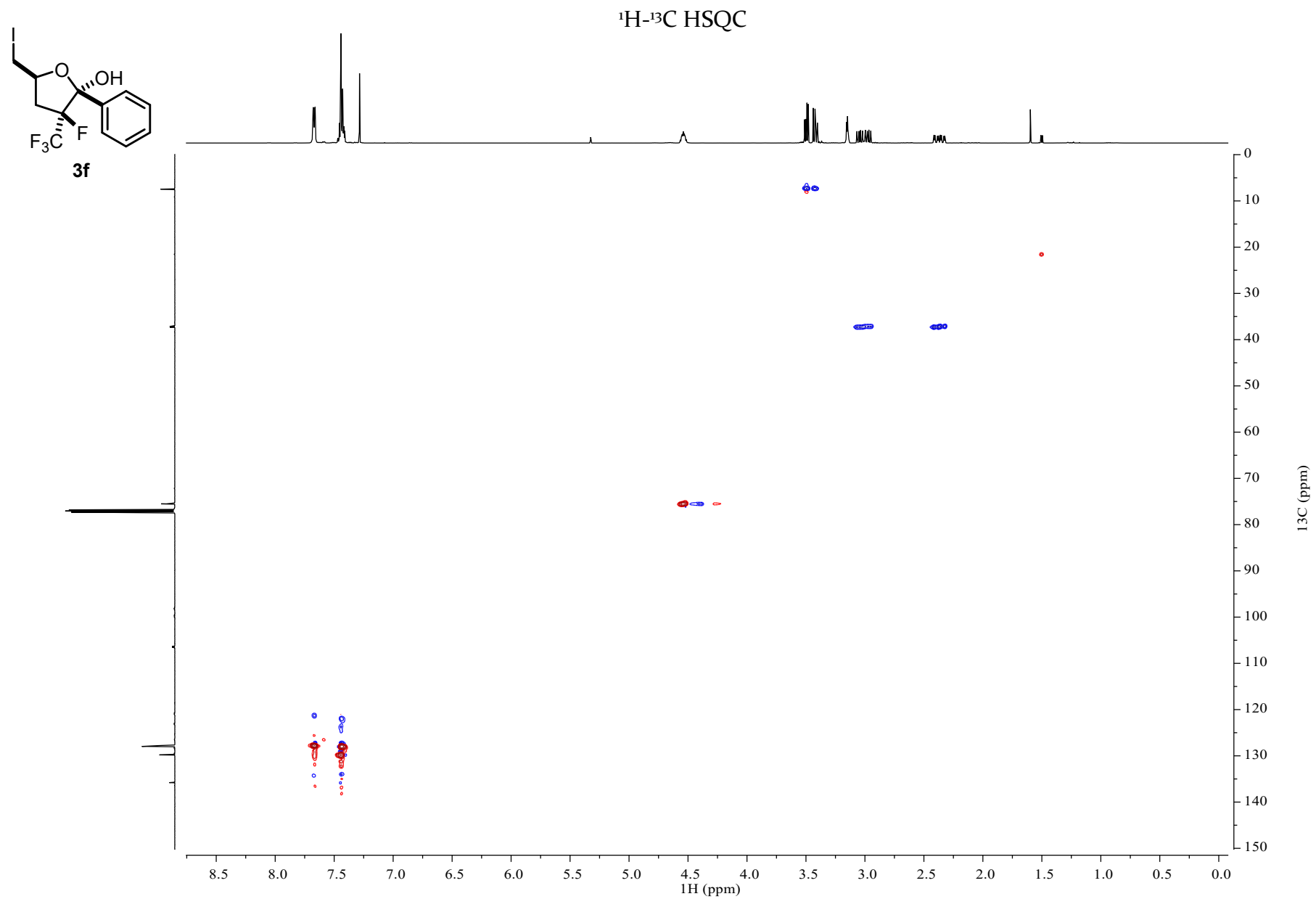
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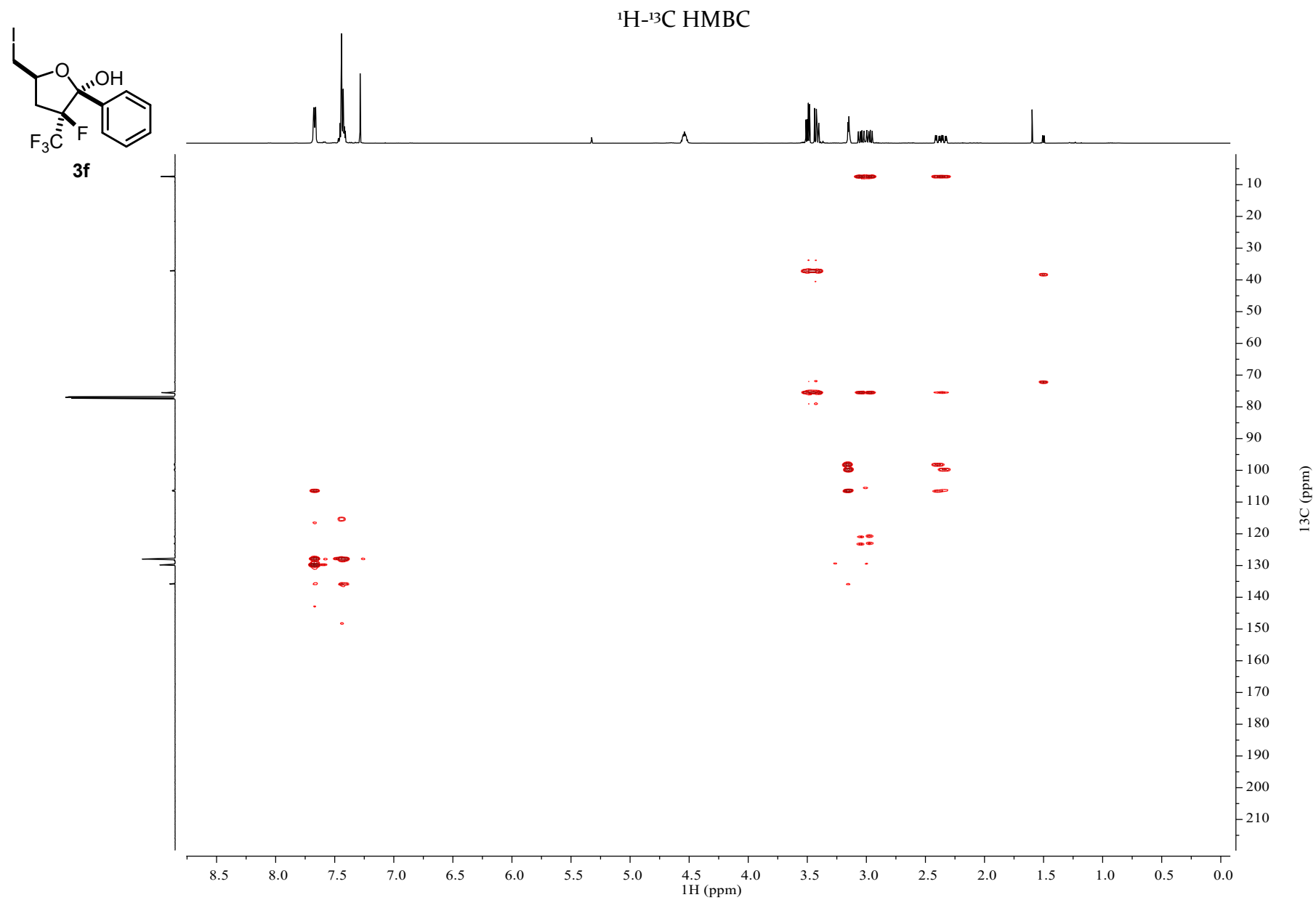
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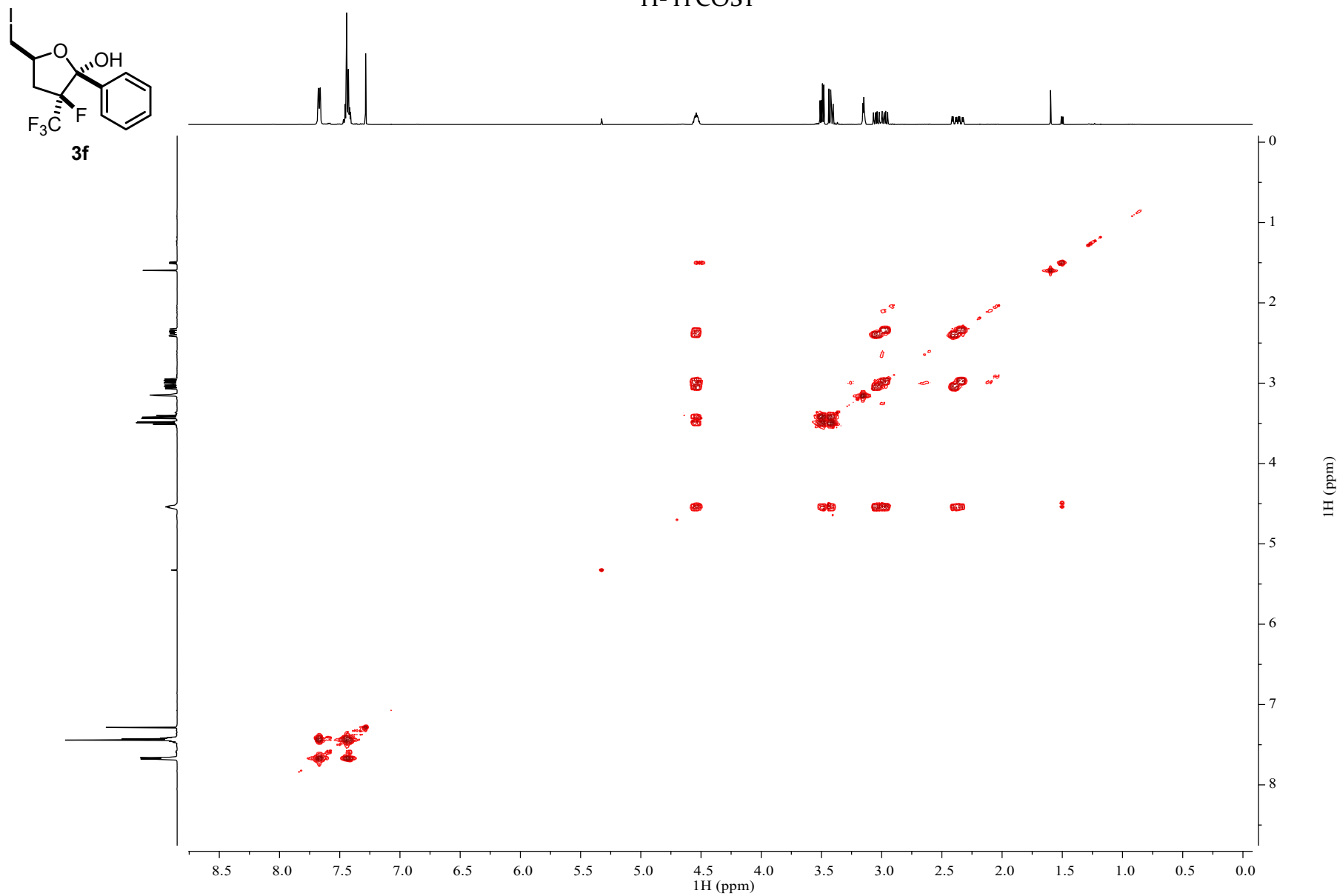


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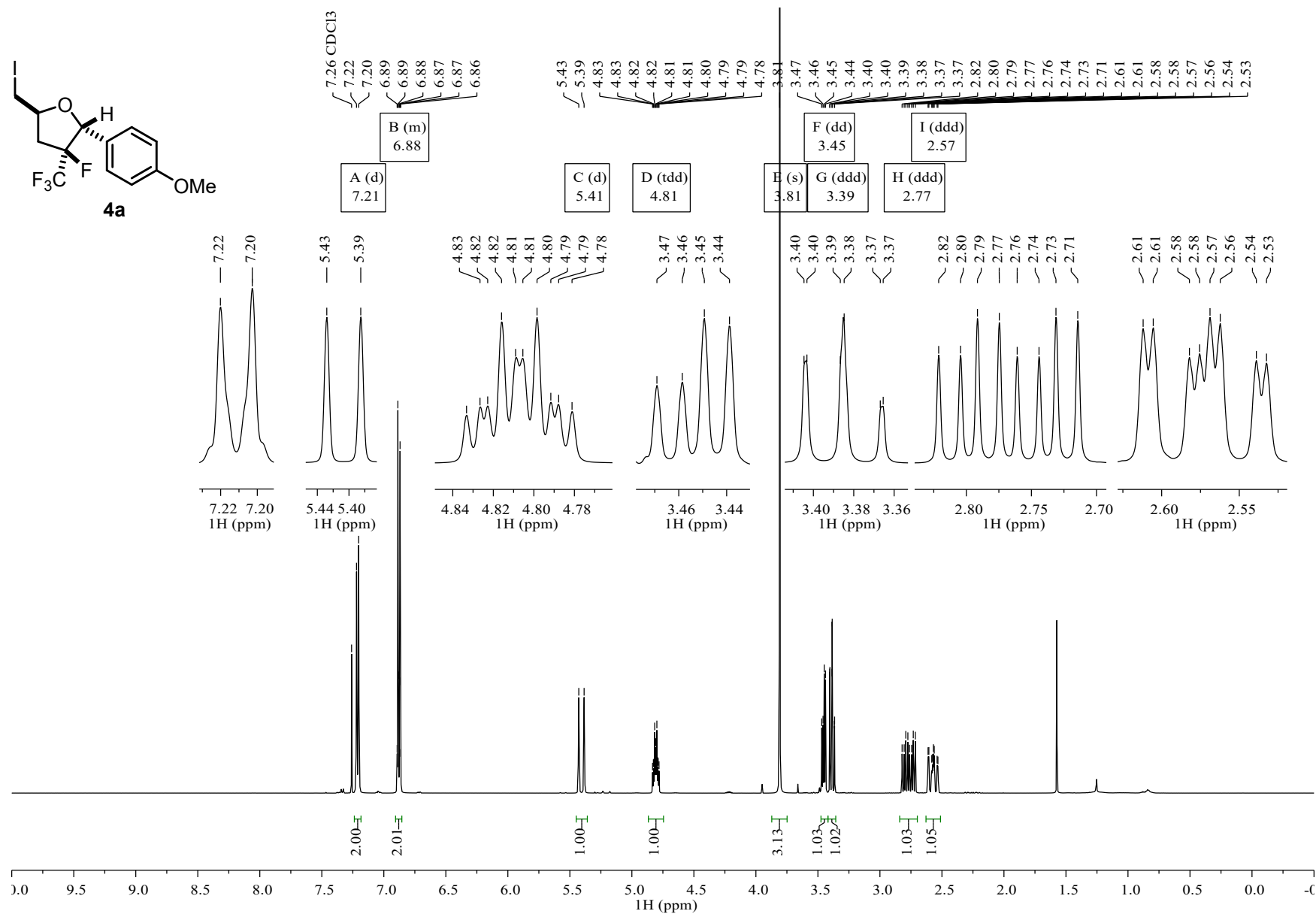


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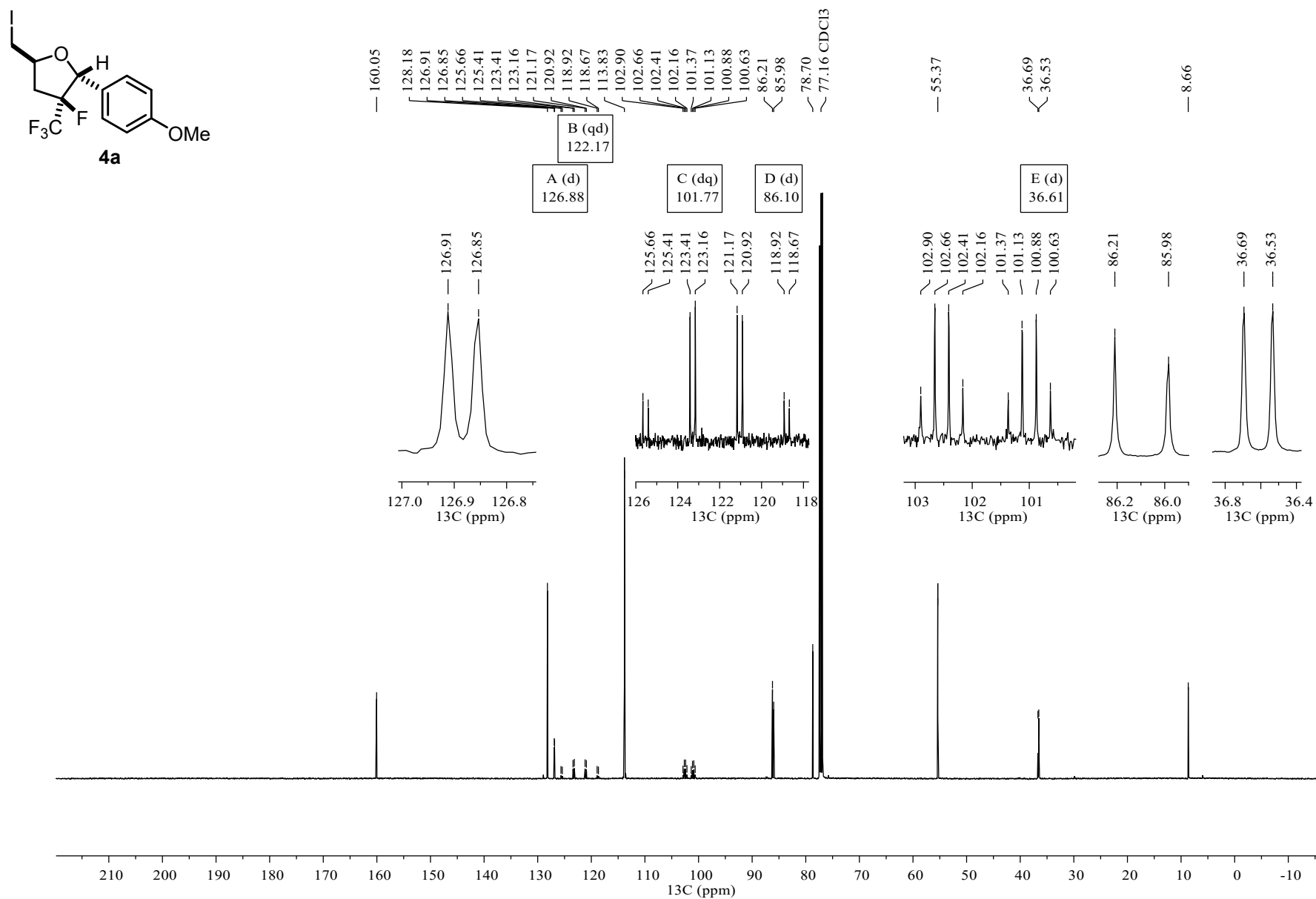


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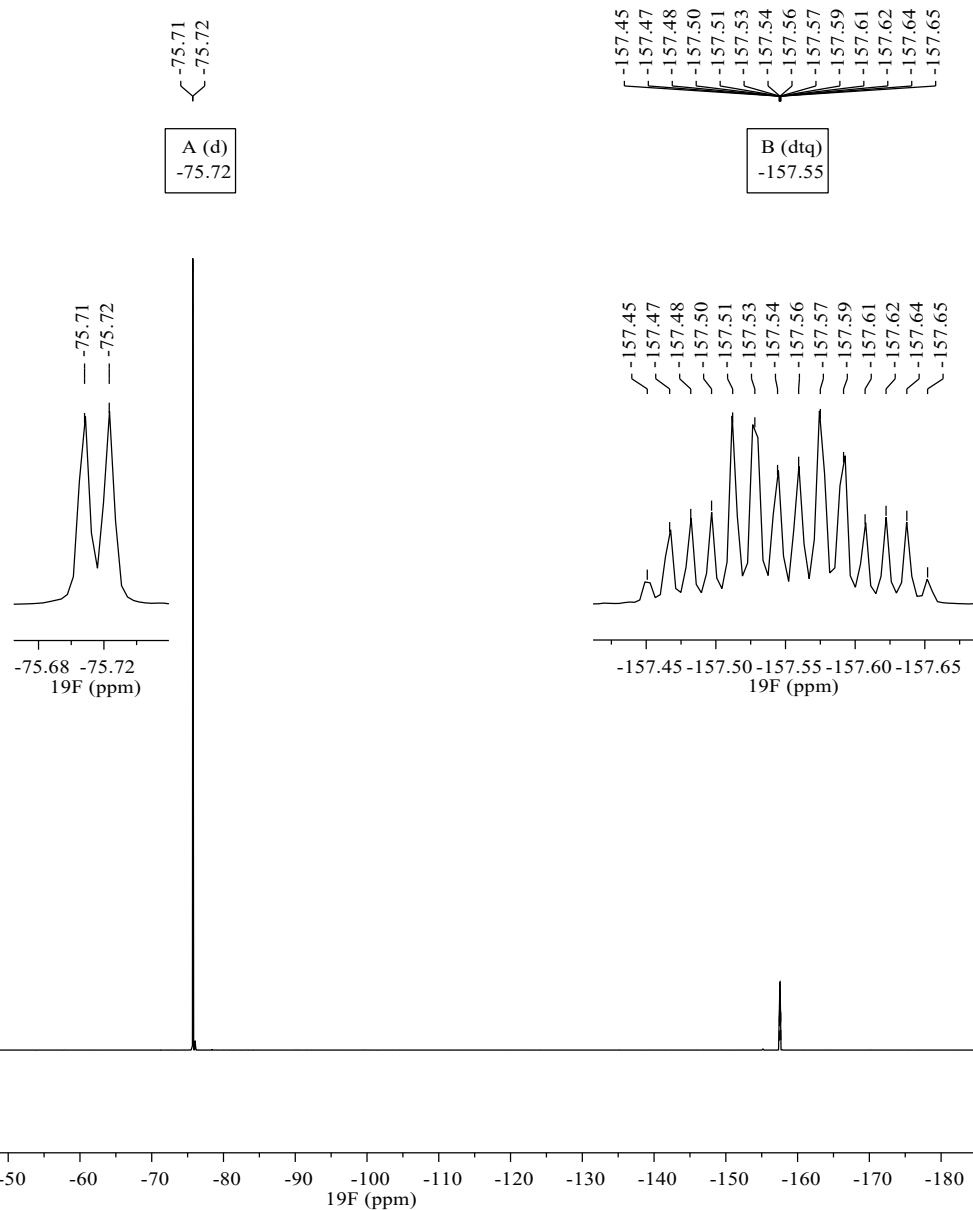
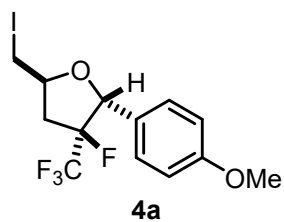
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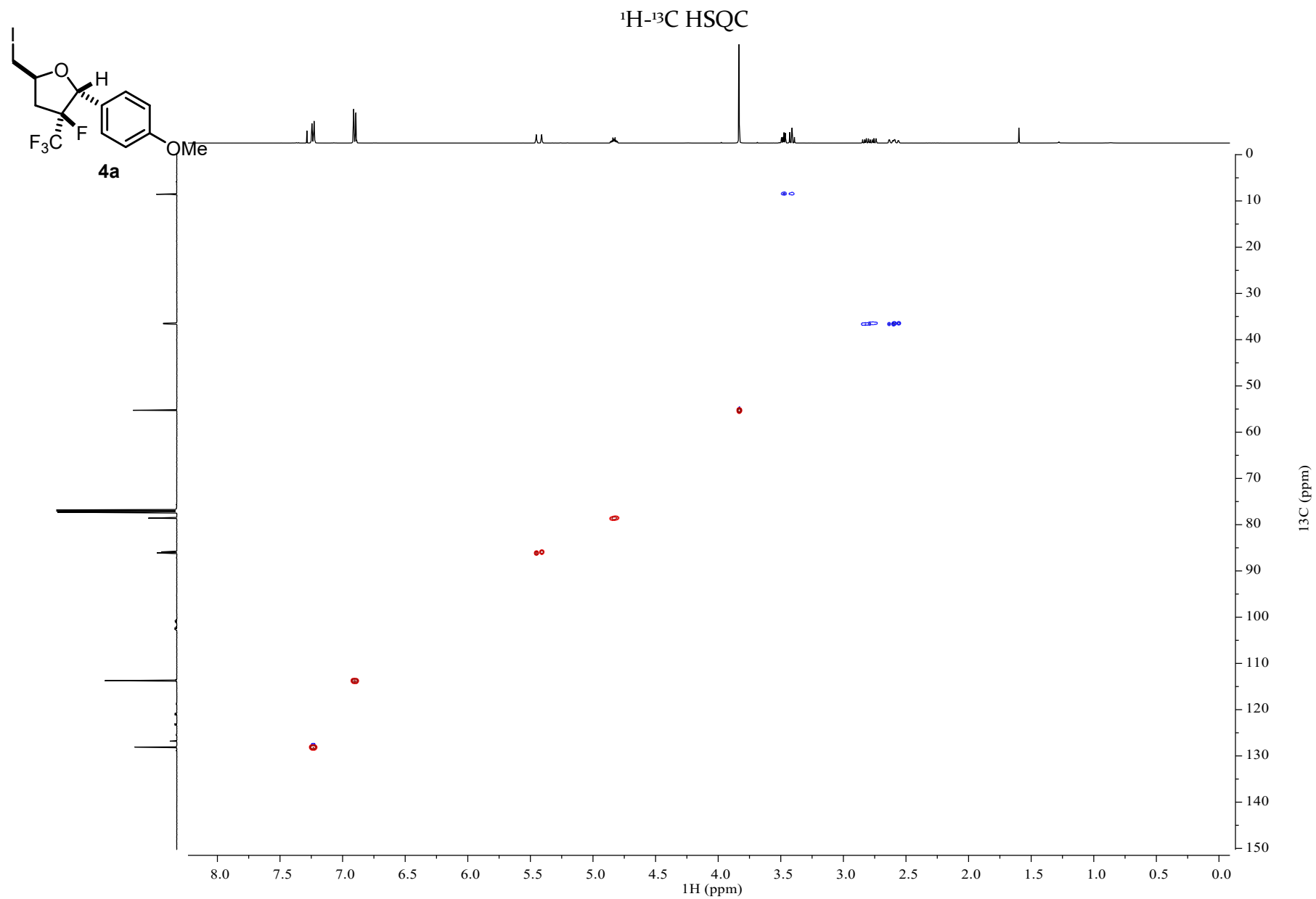
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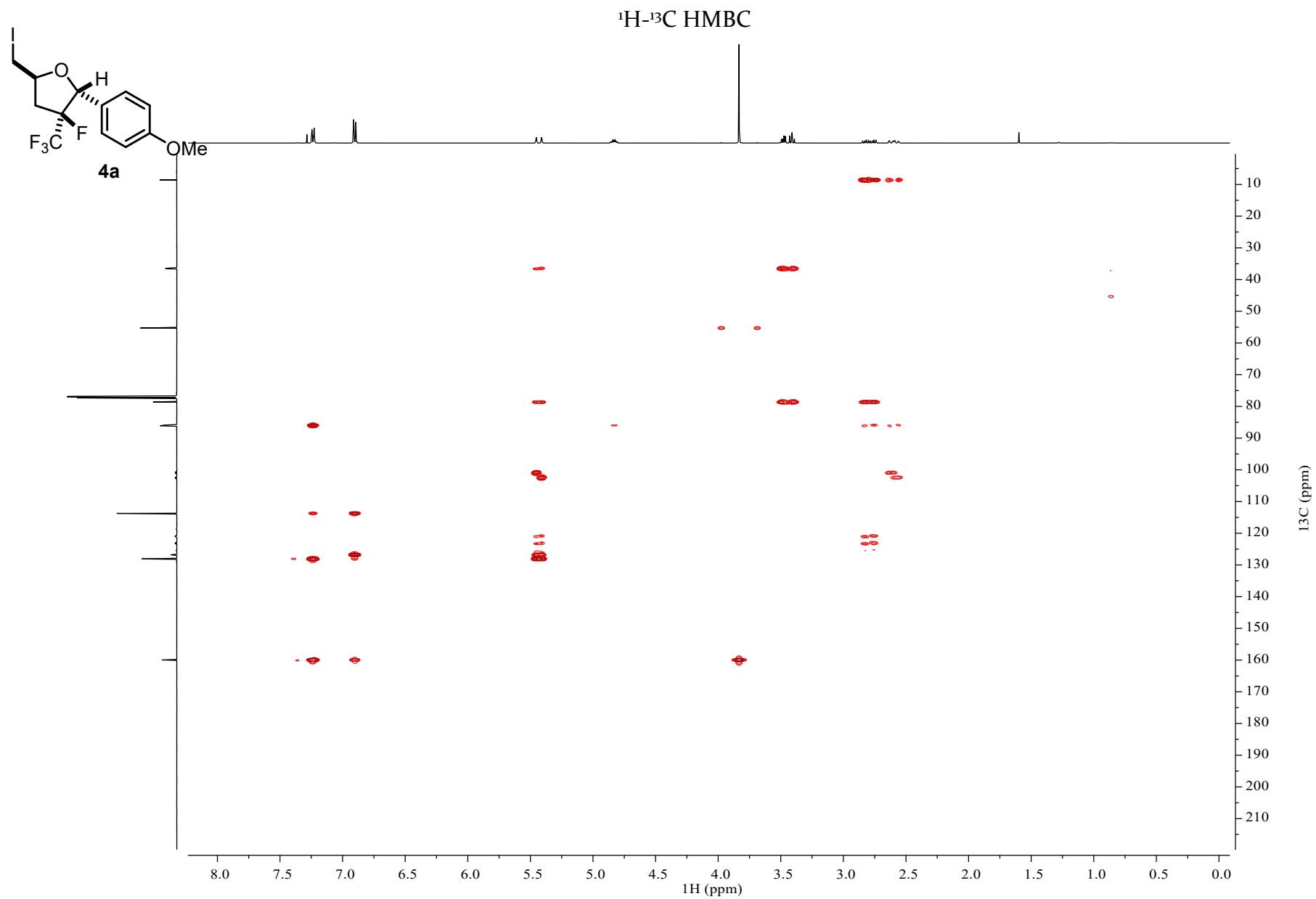
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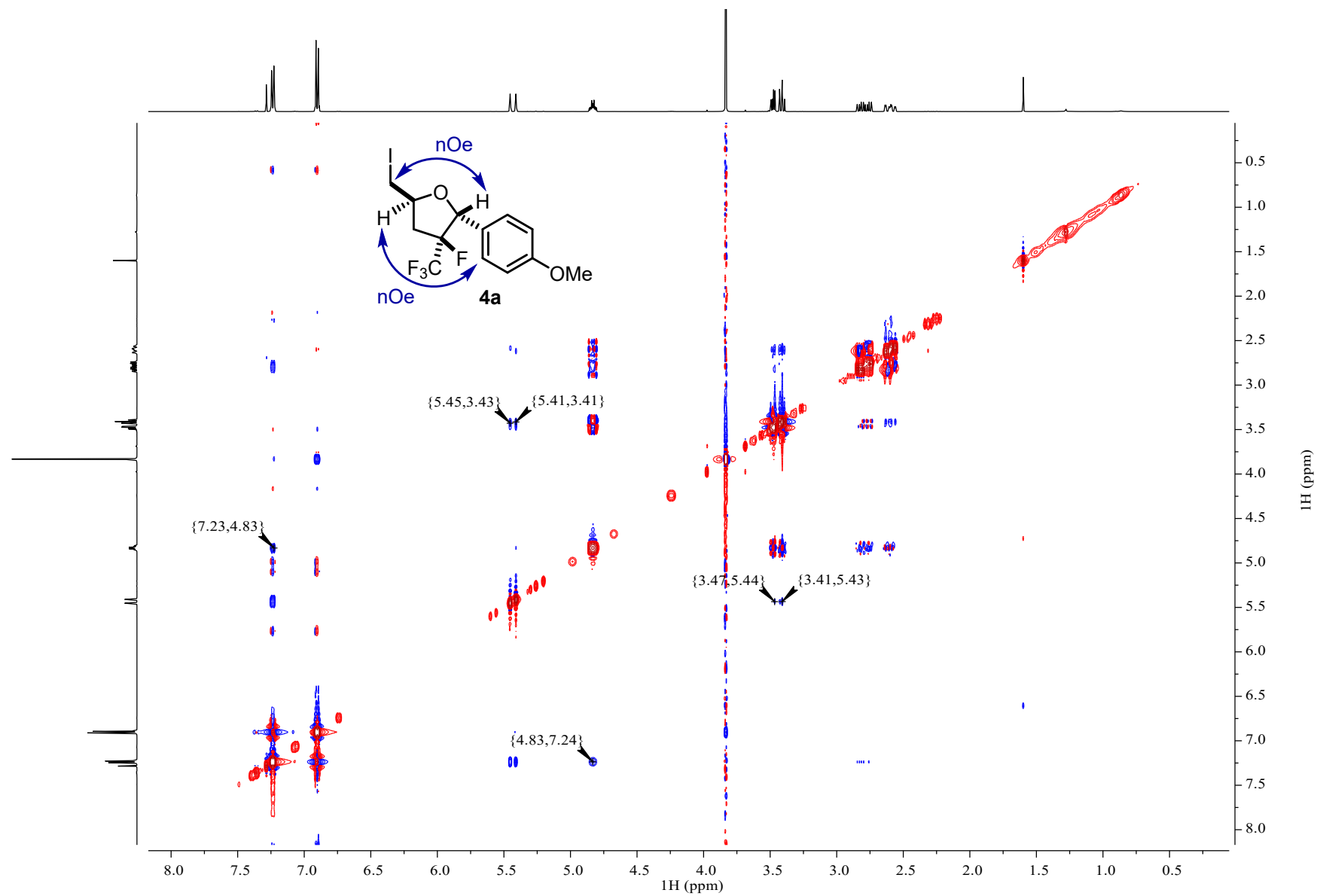


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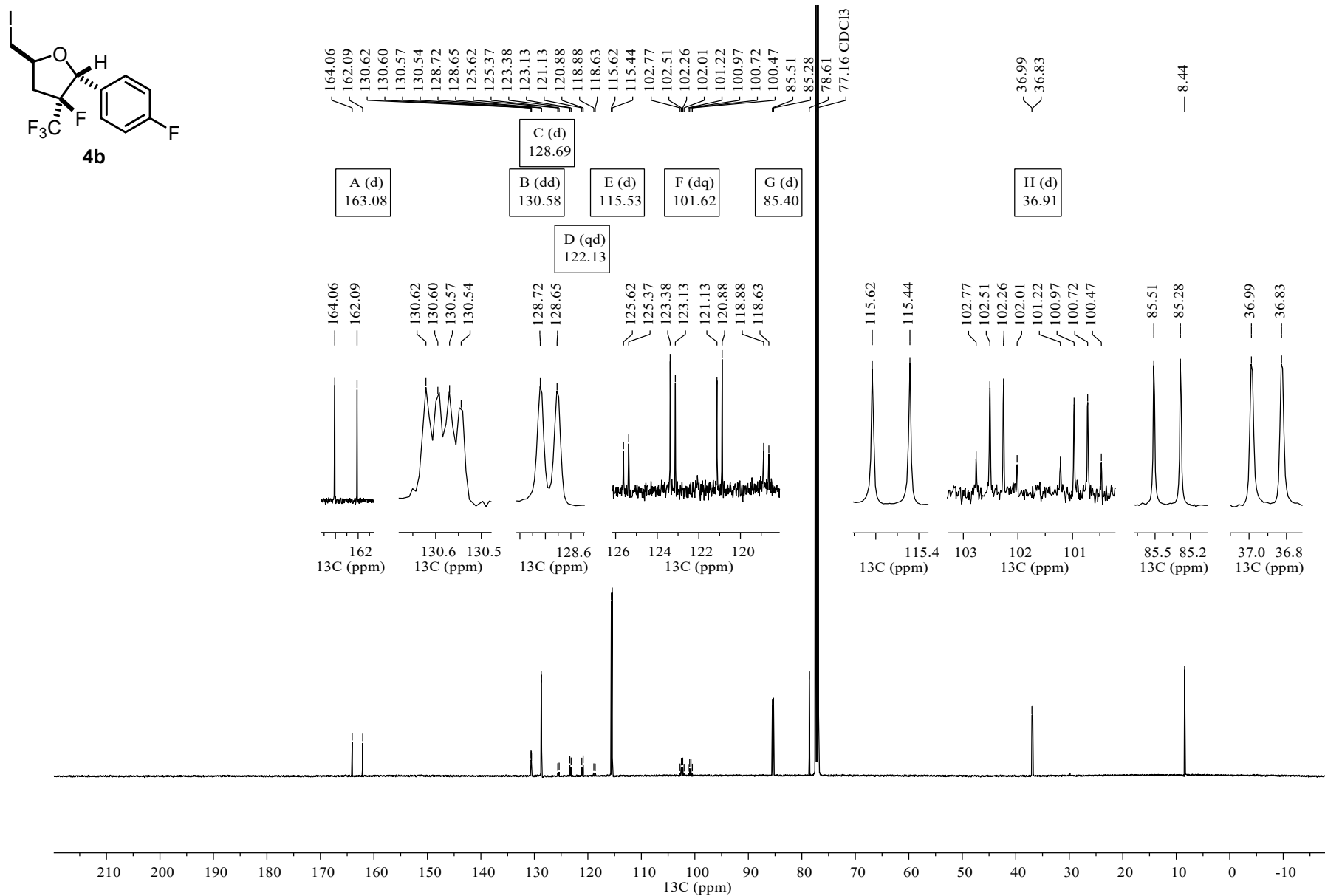
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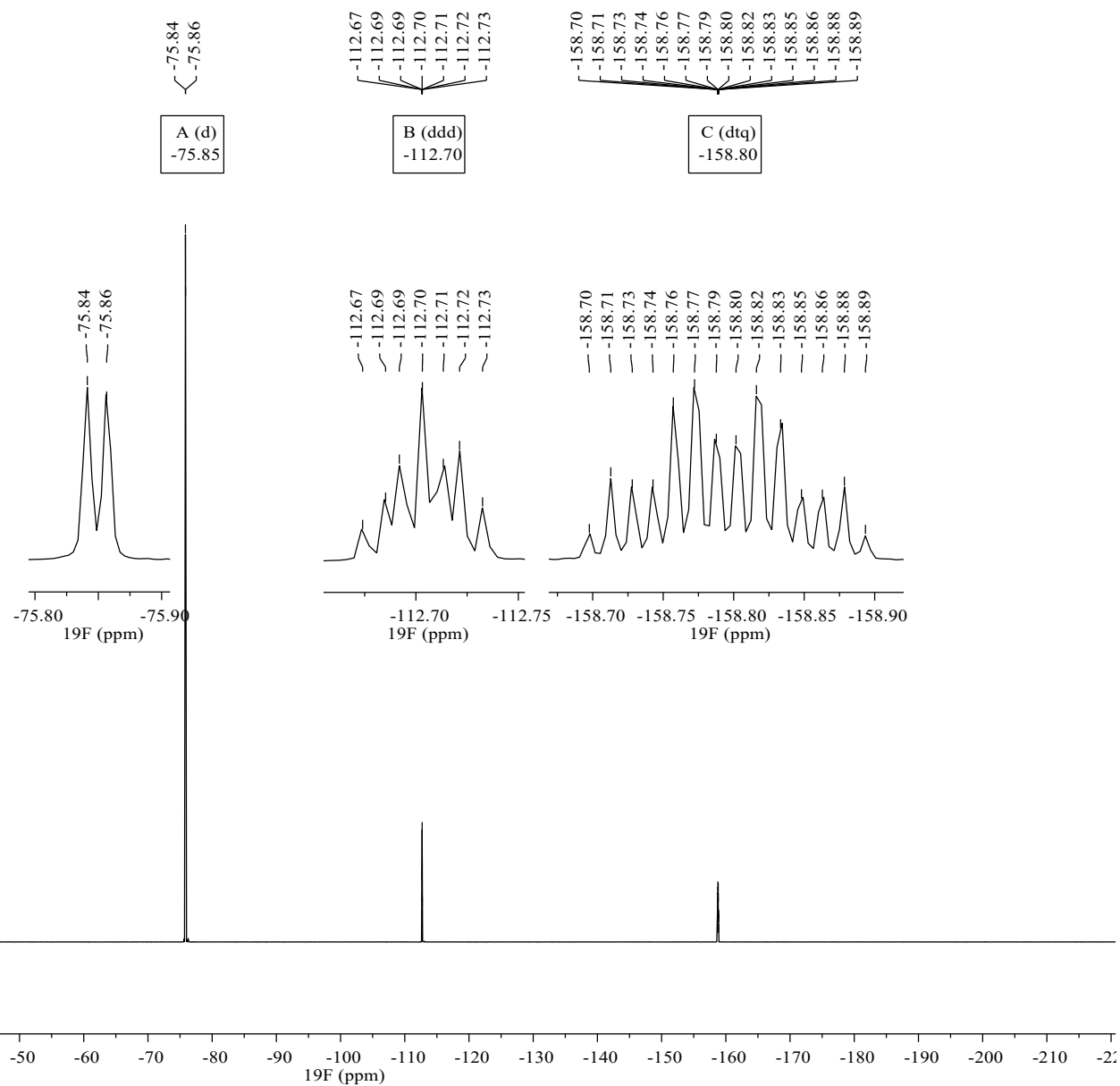
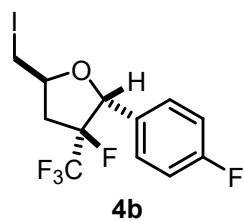
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Chemical Shift (ppm)	Multiplicity	Integration
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5.41–5.45	m	1.01
3.44–3.47	s	1.01
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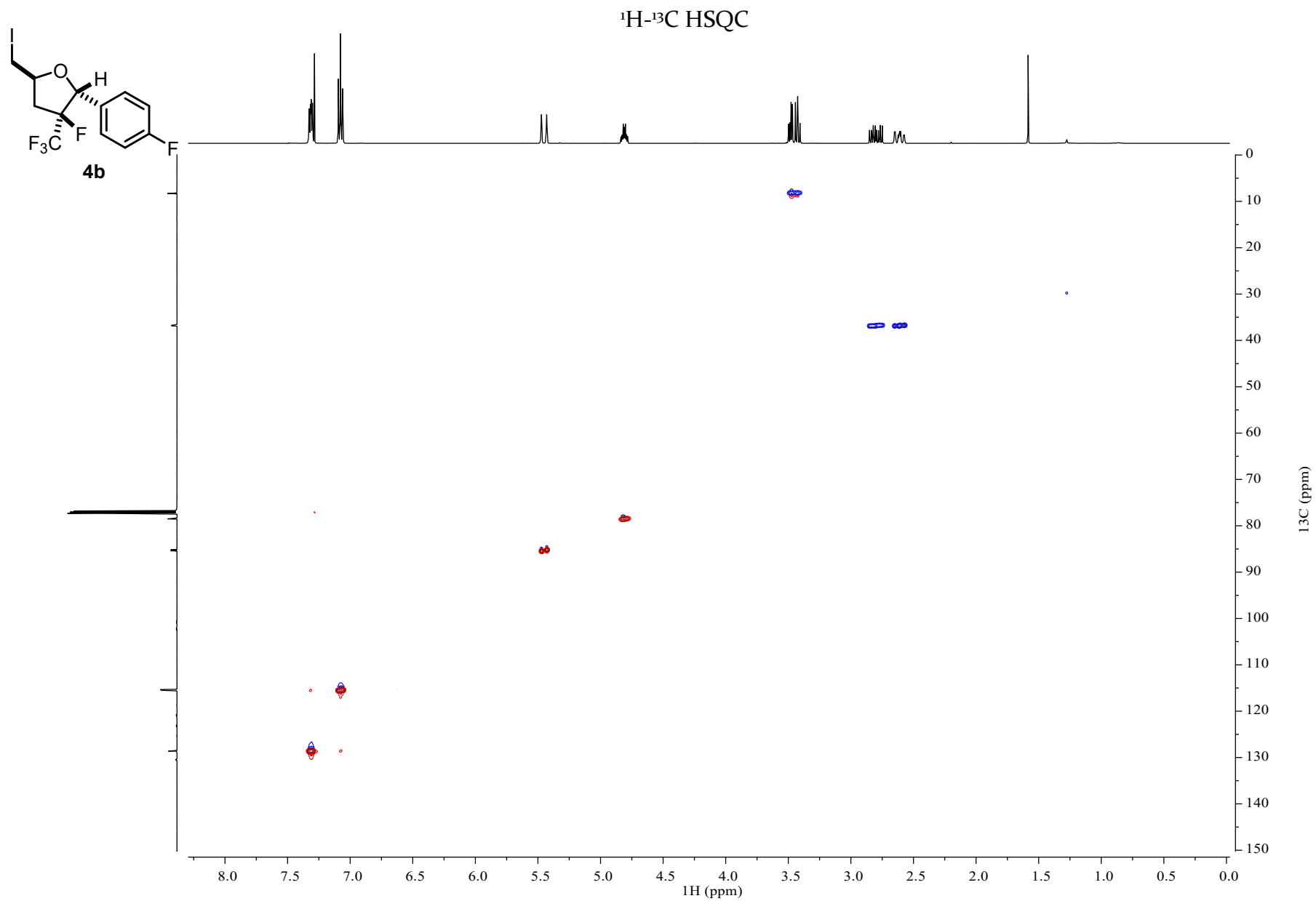
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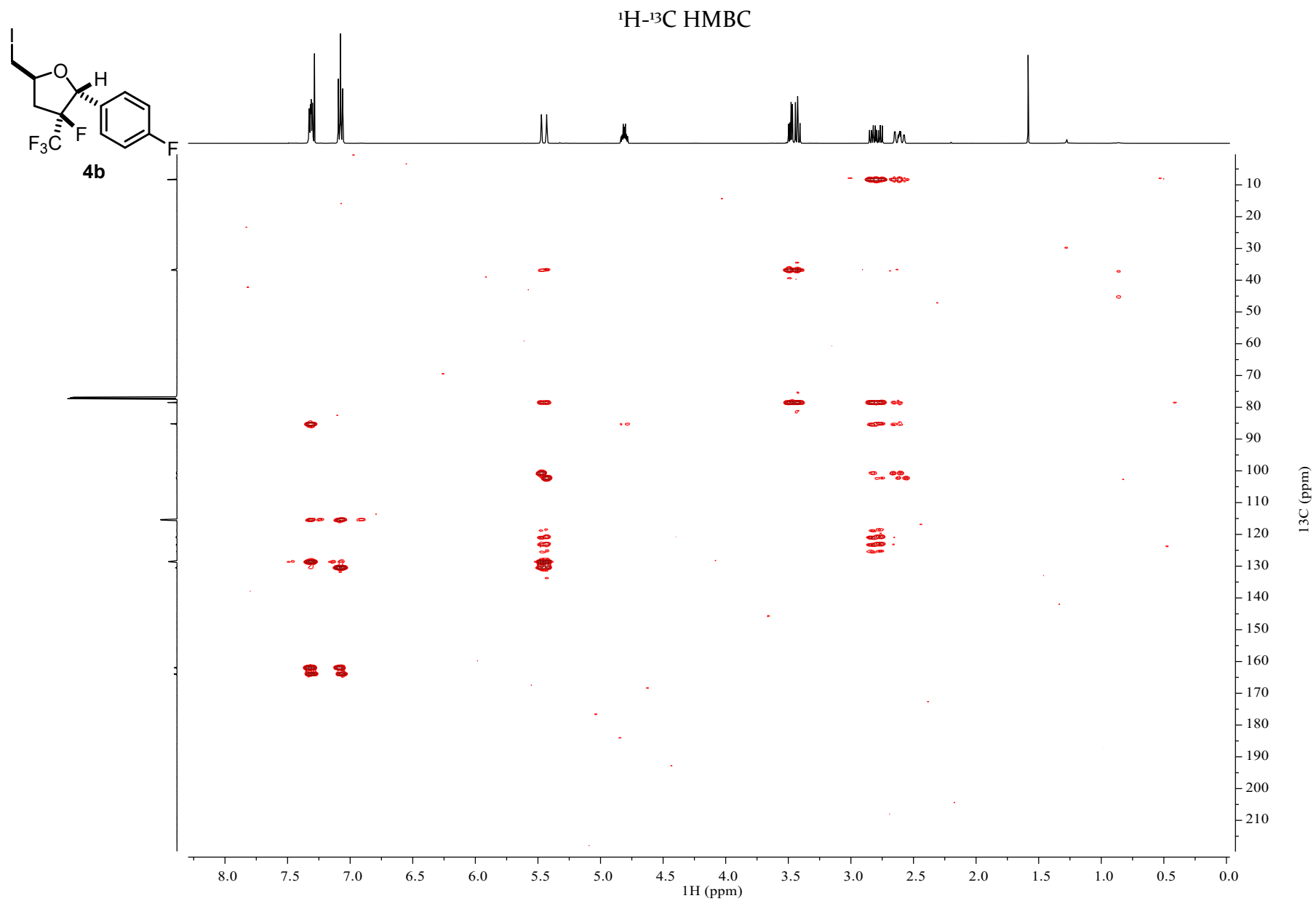
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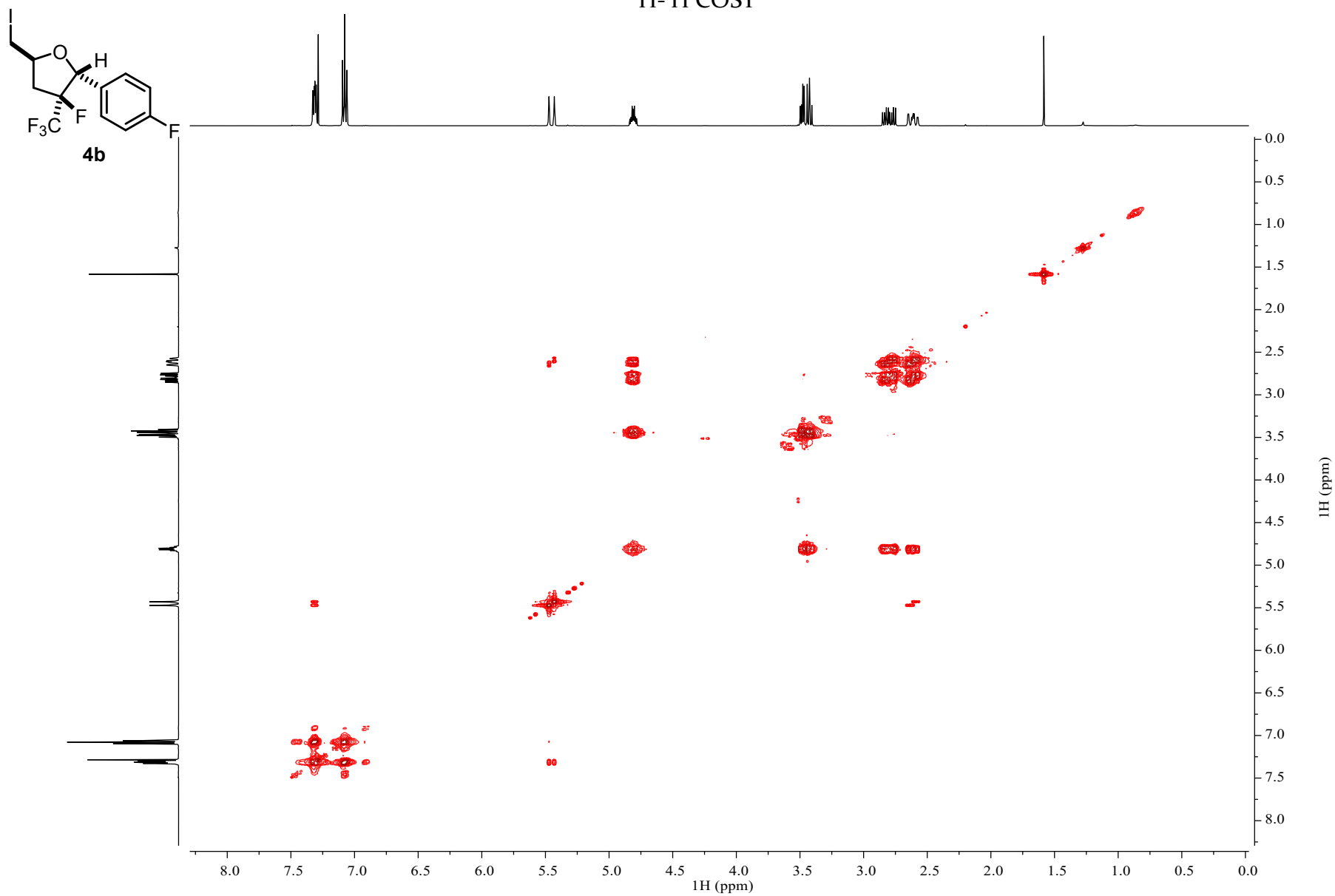


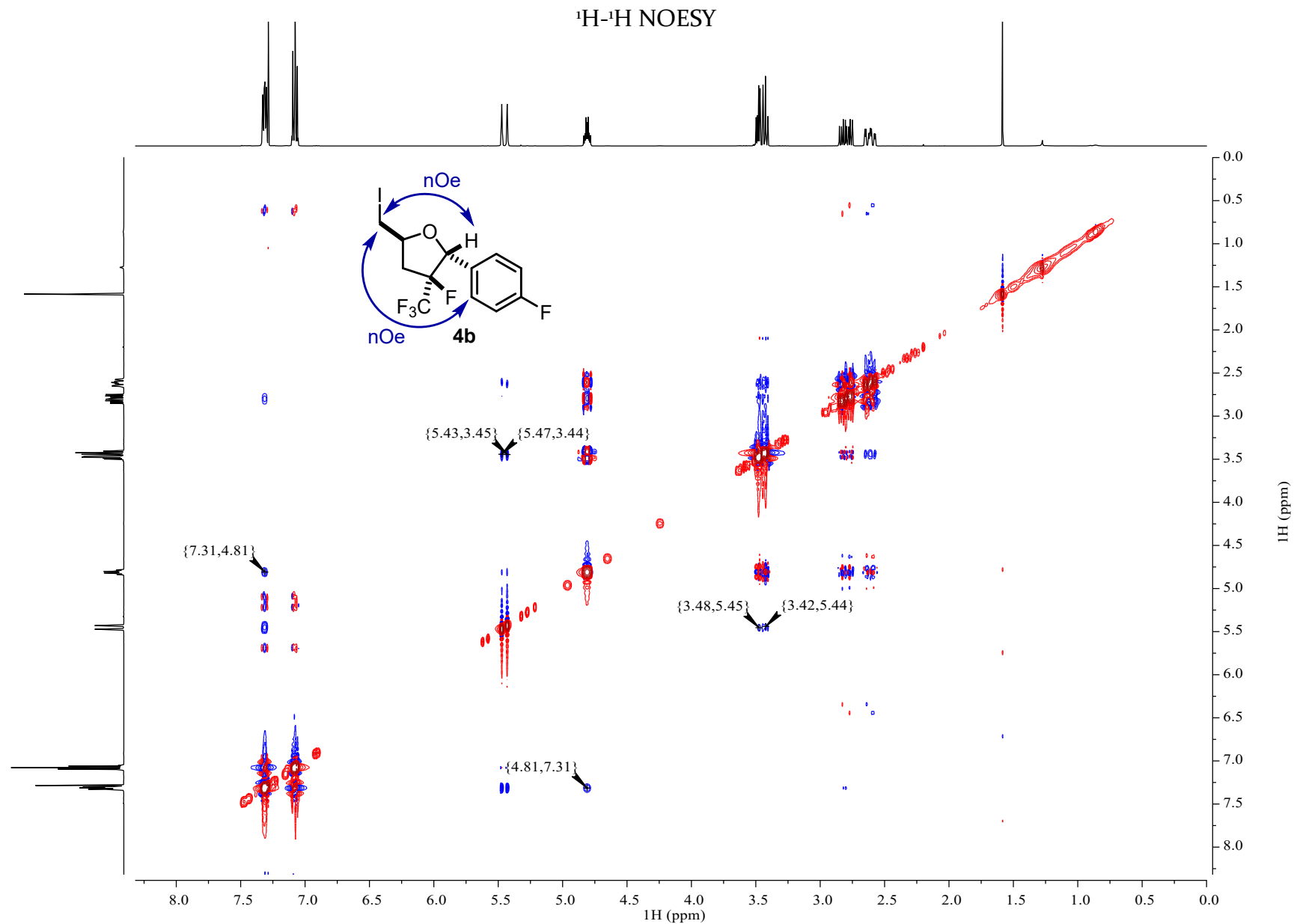
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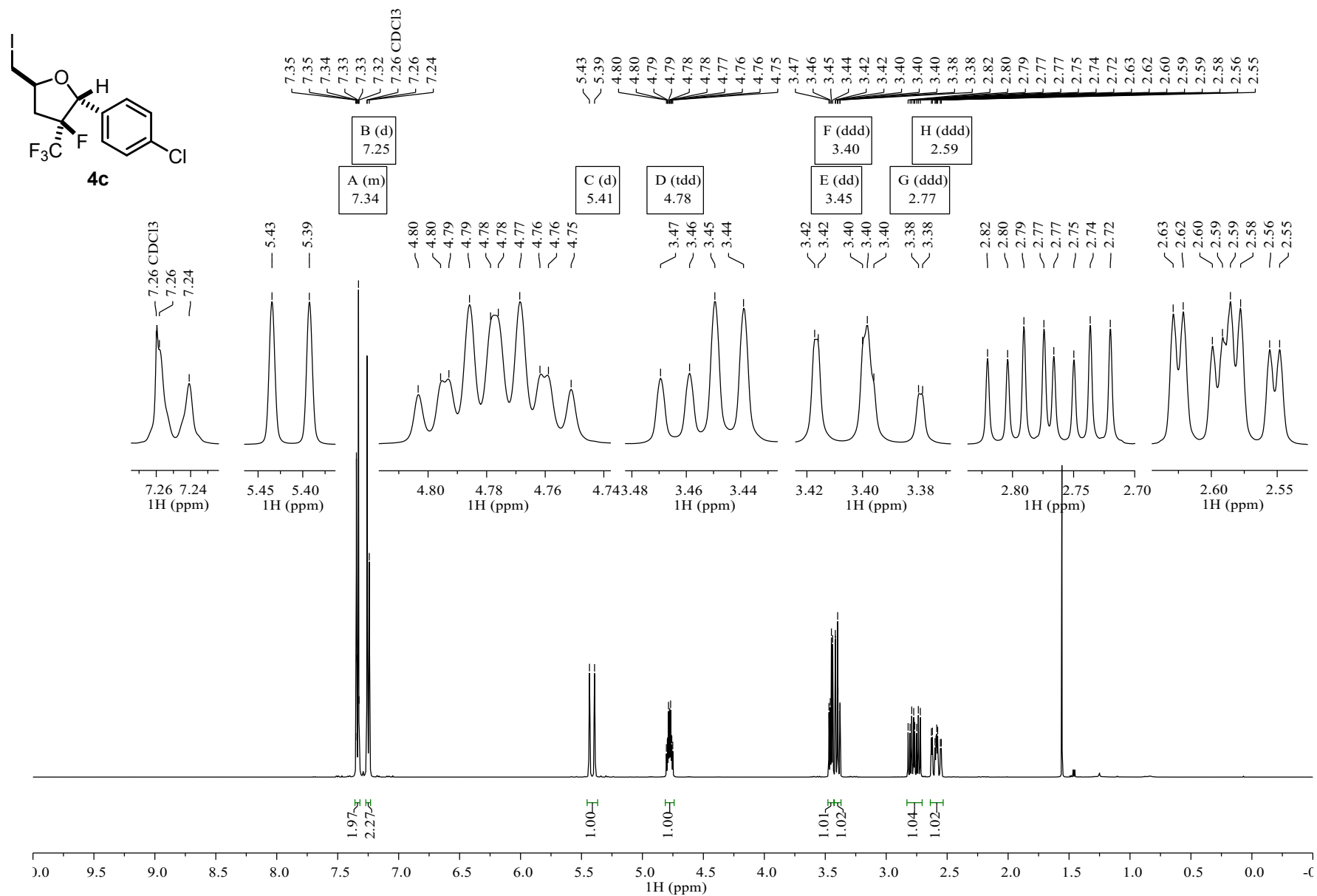
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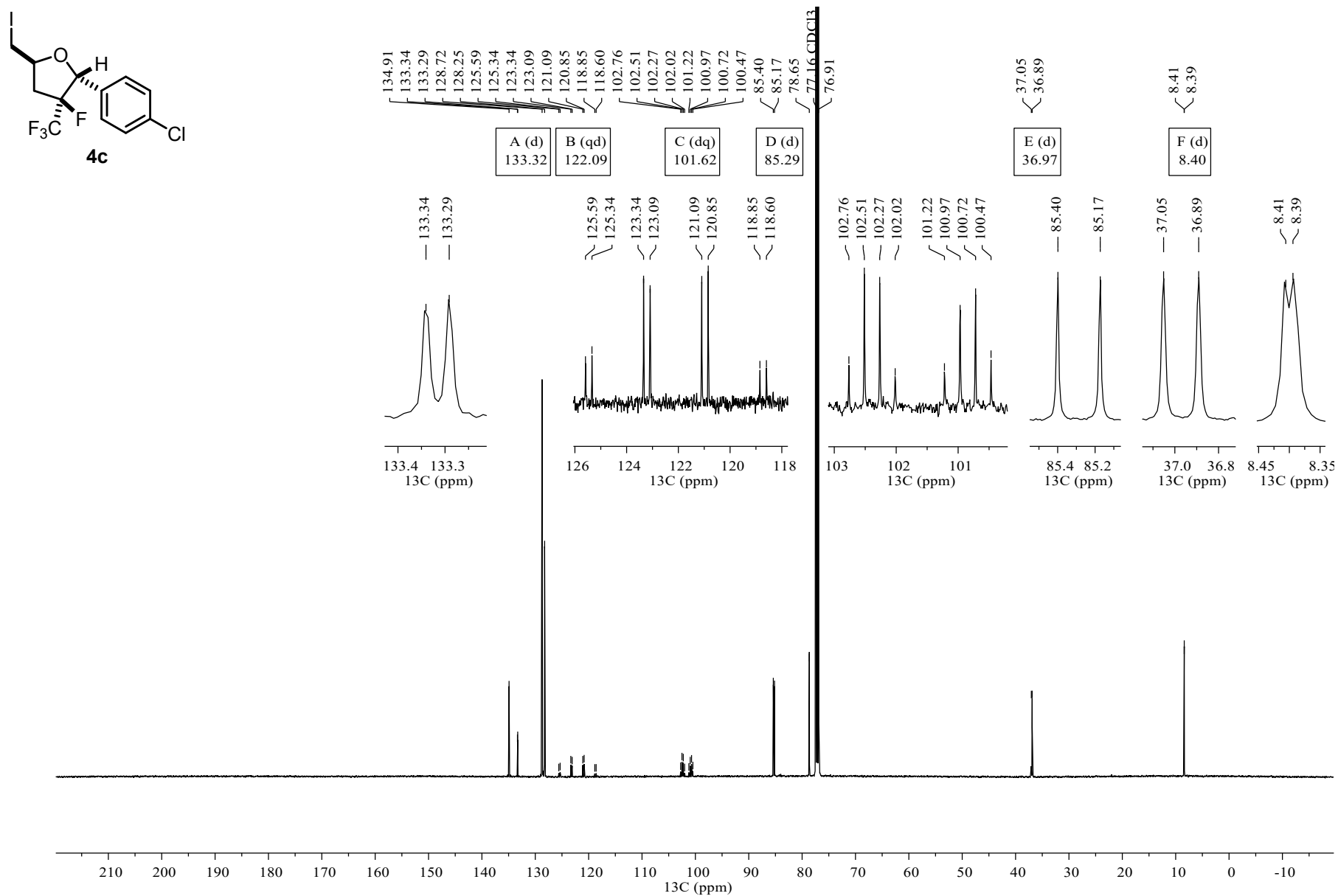




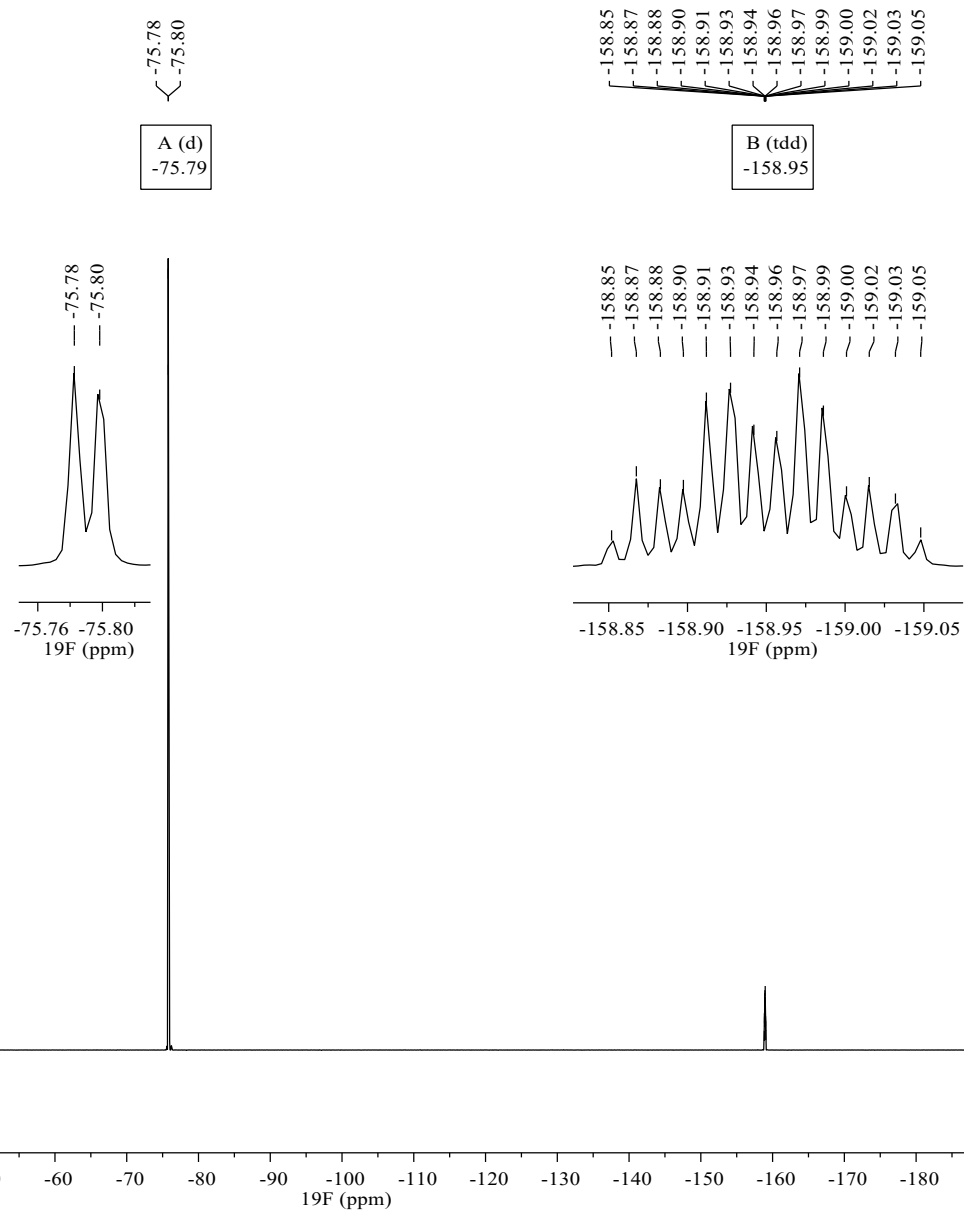
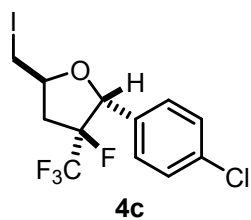
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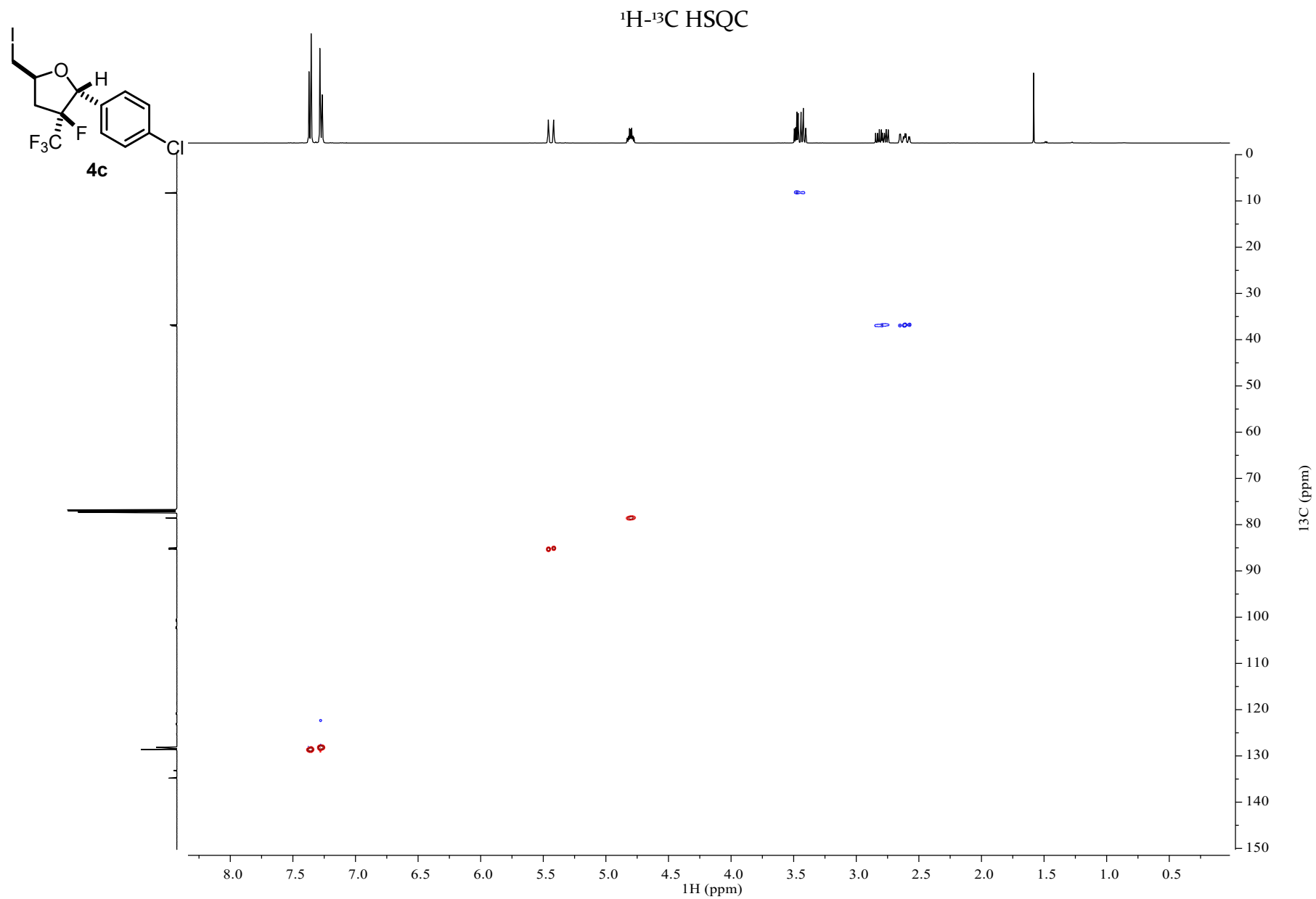
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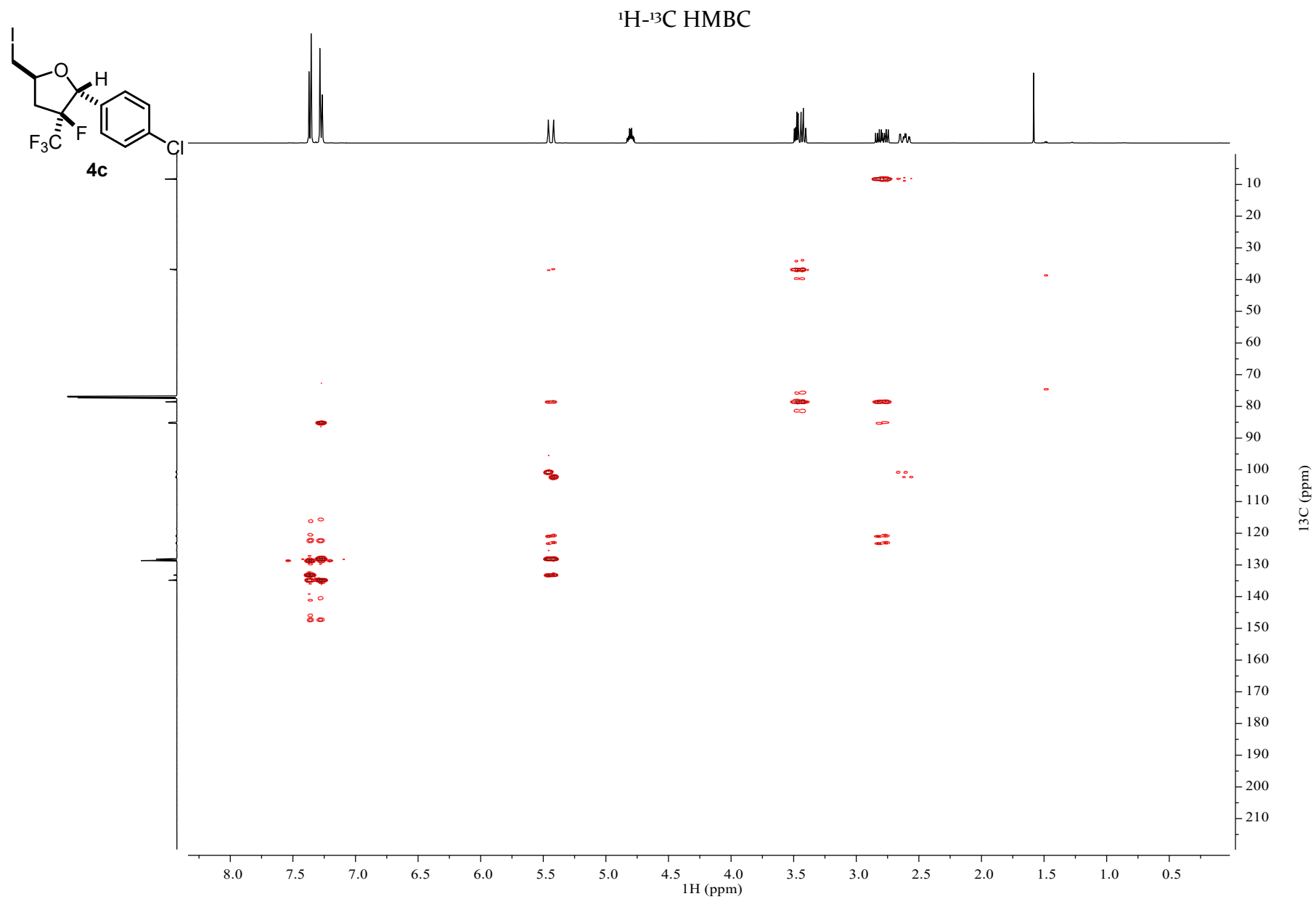
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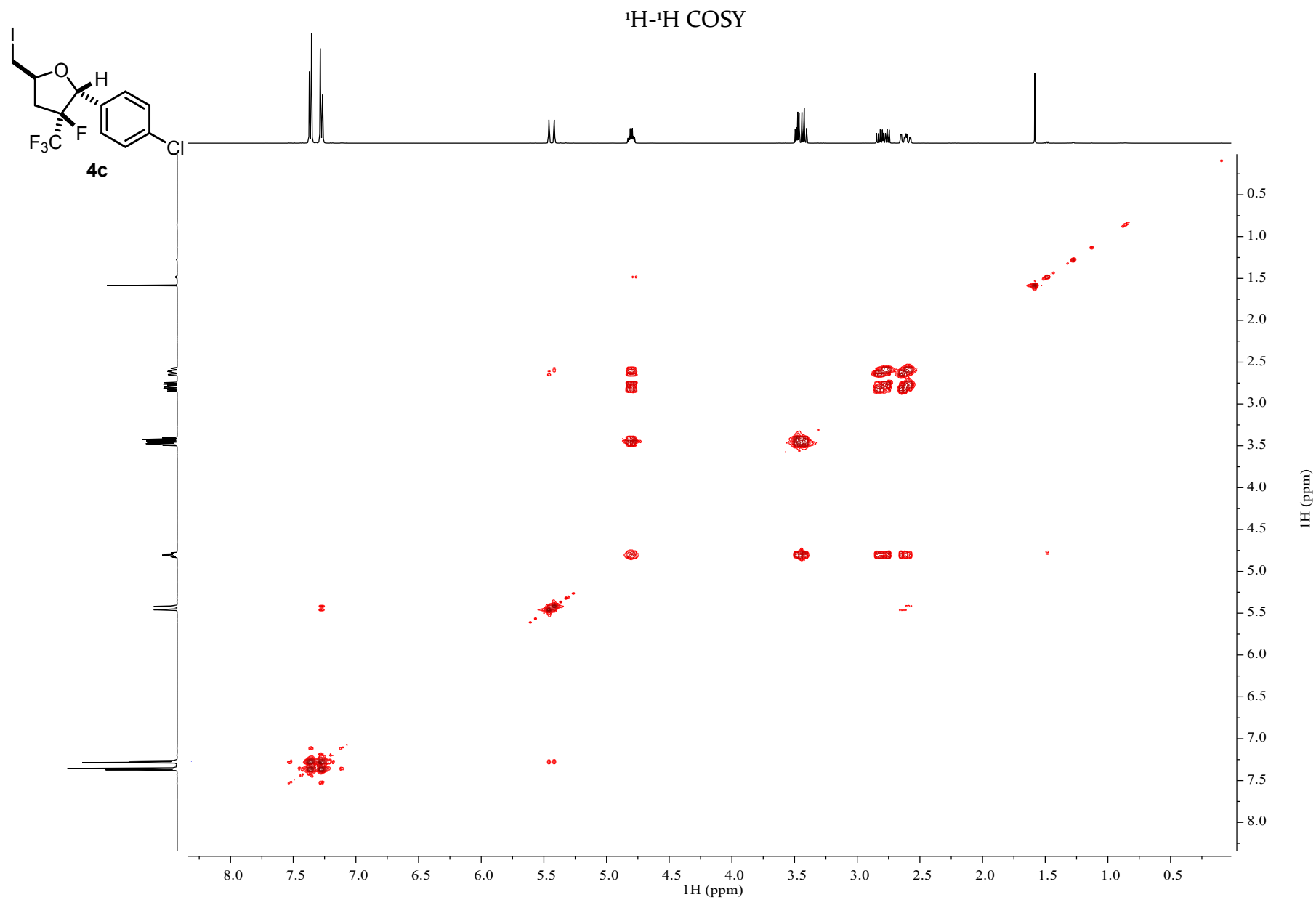
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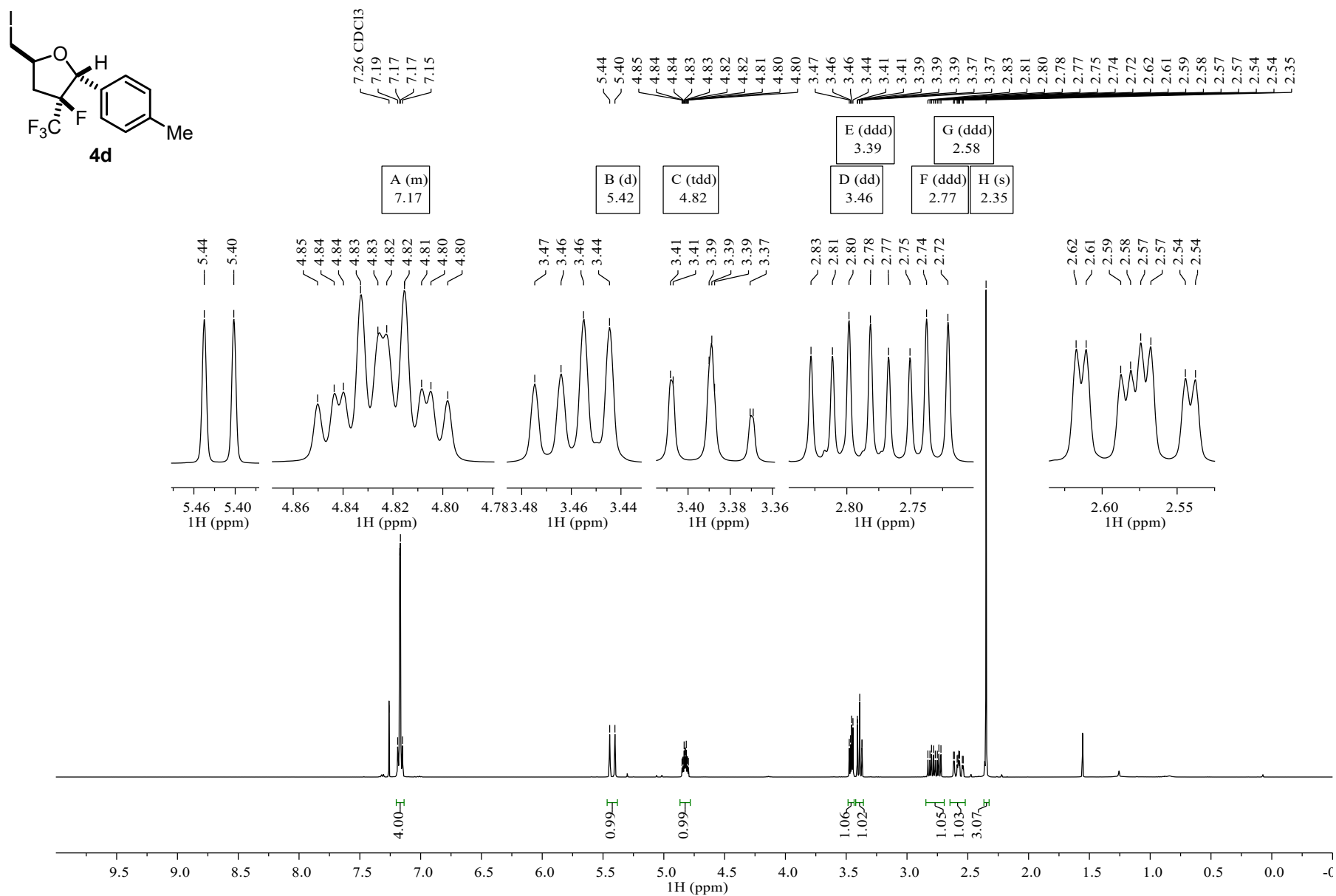
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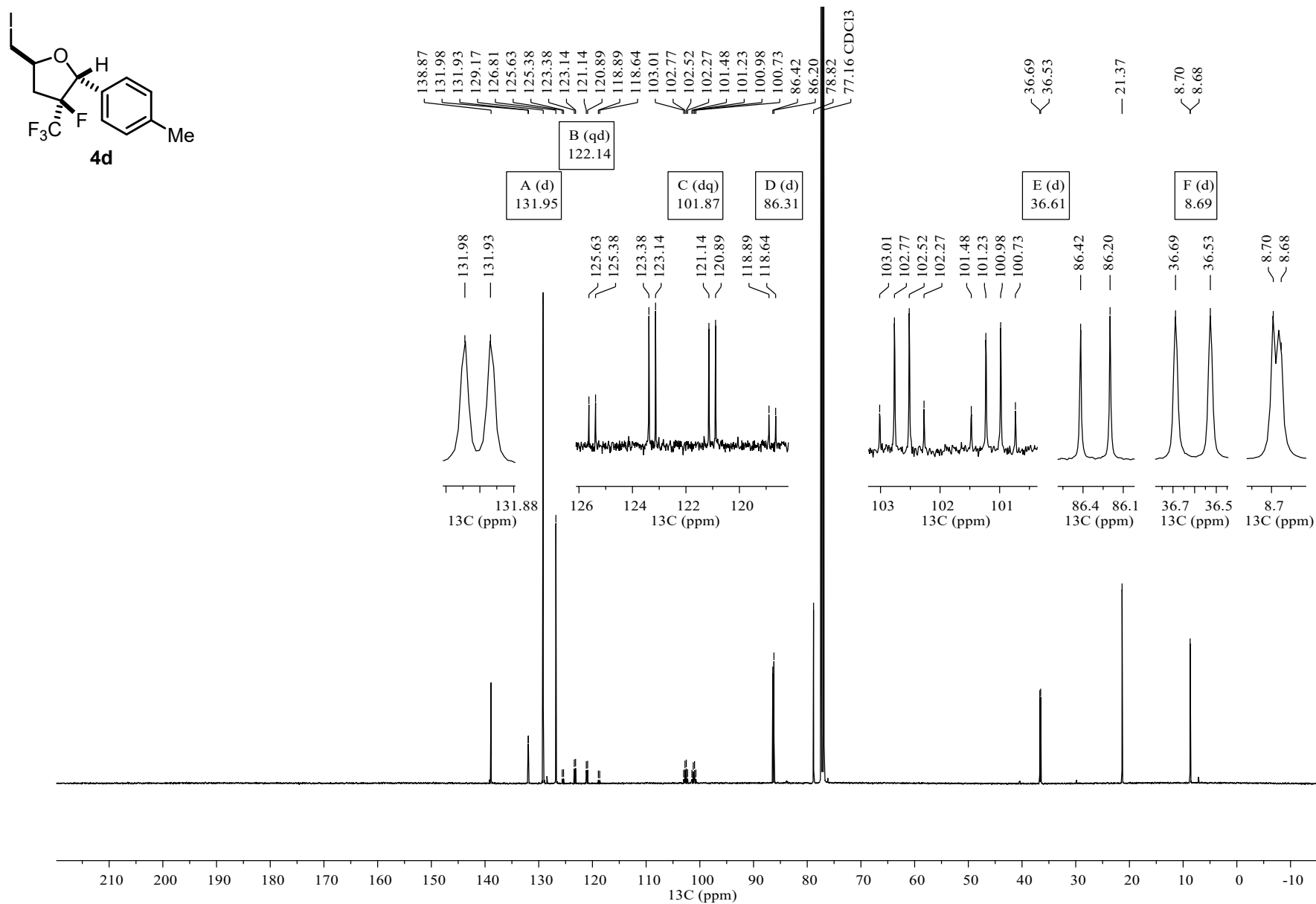
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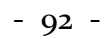
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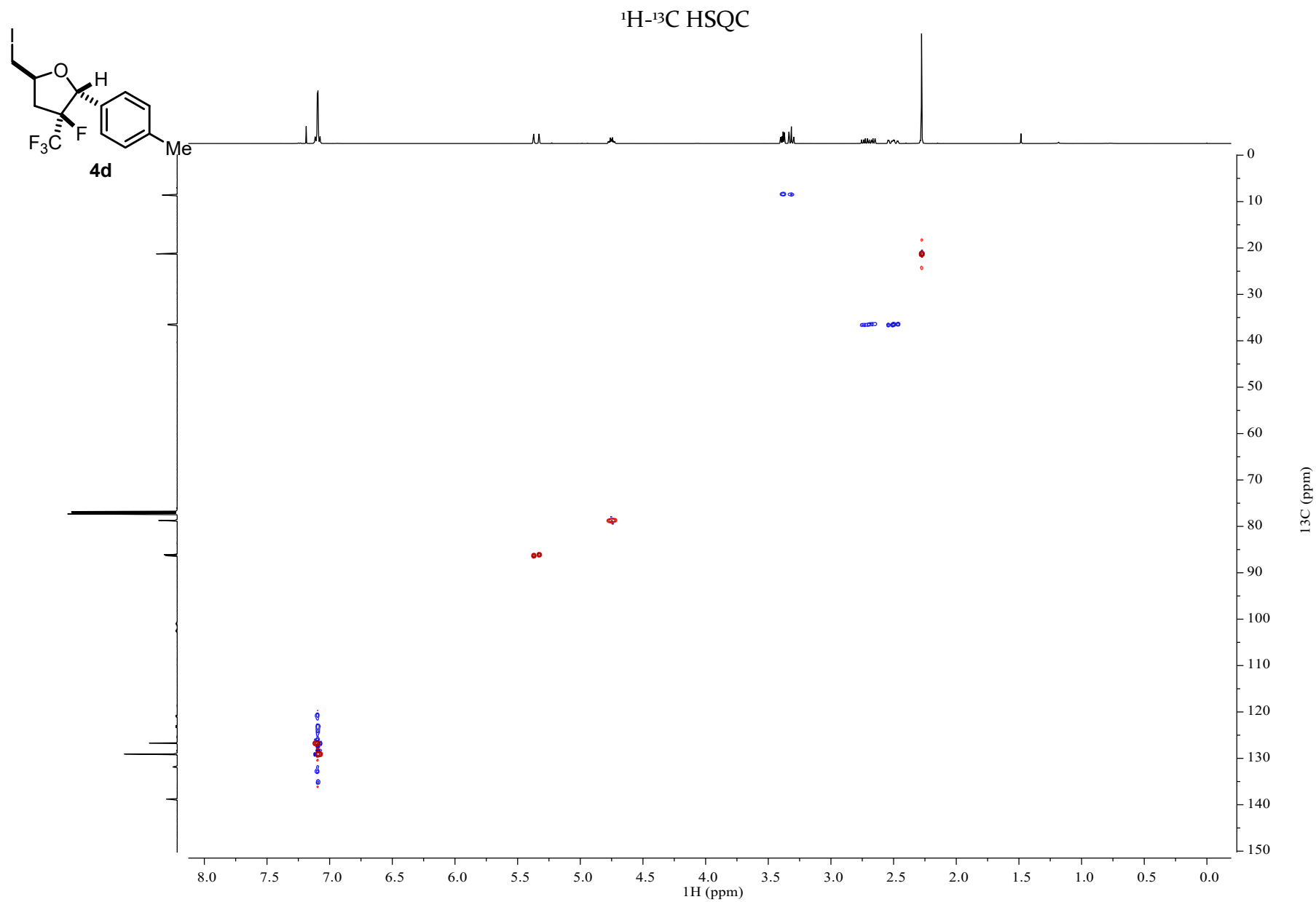
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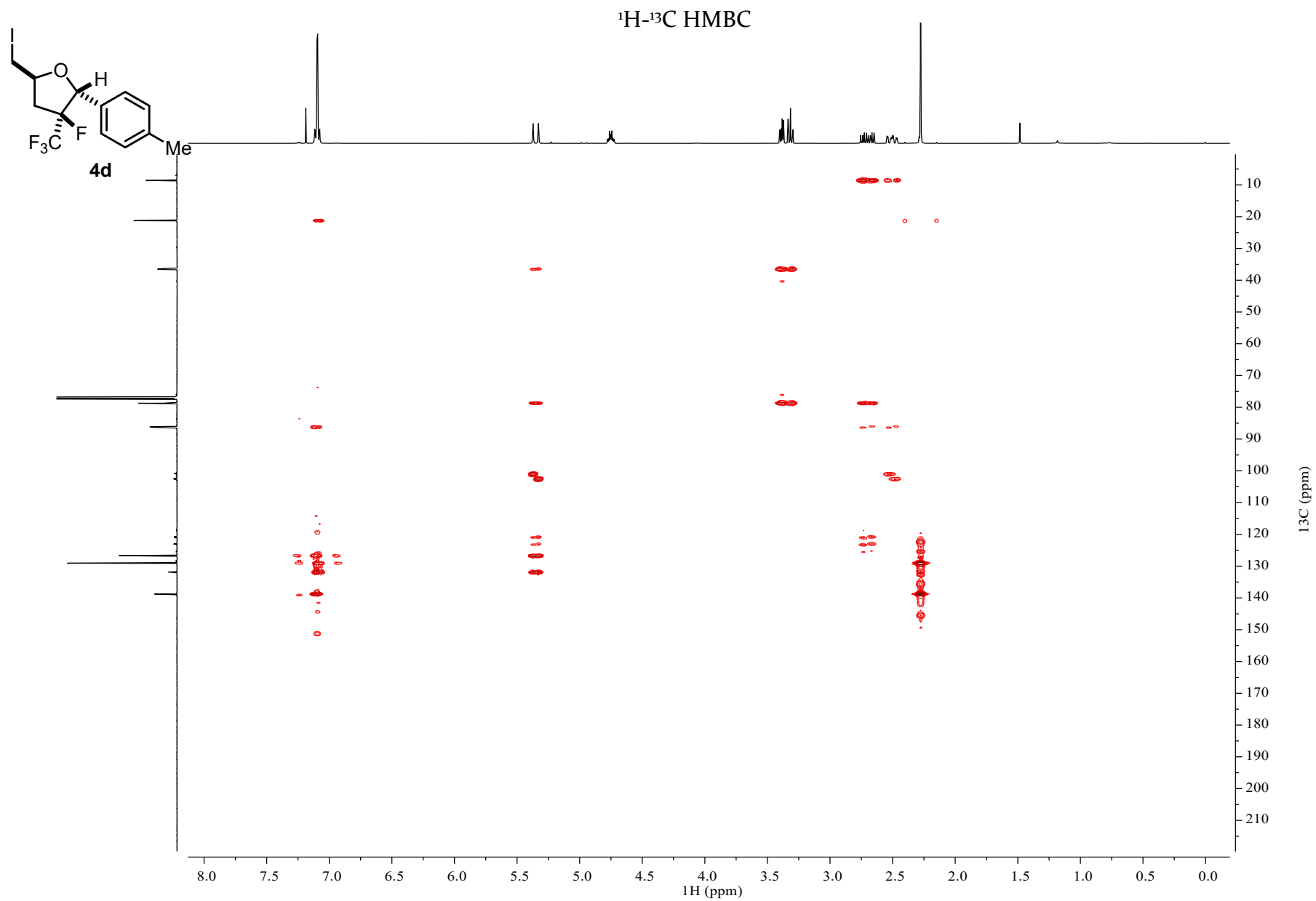
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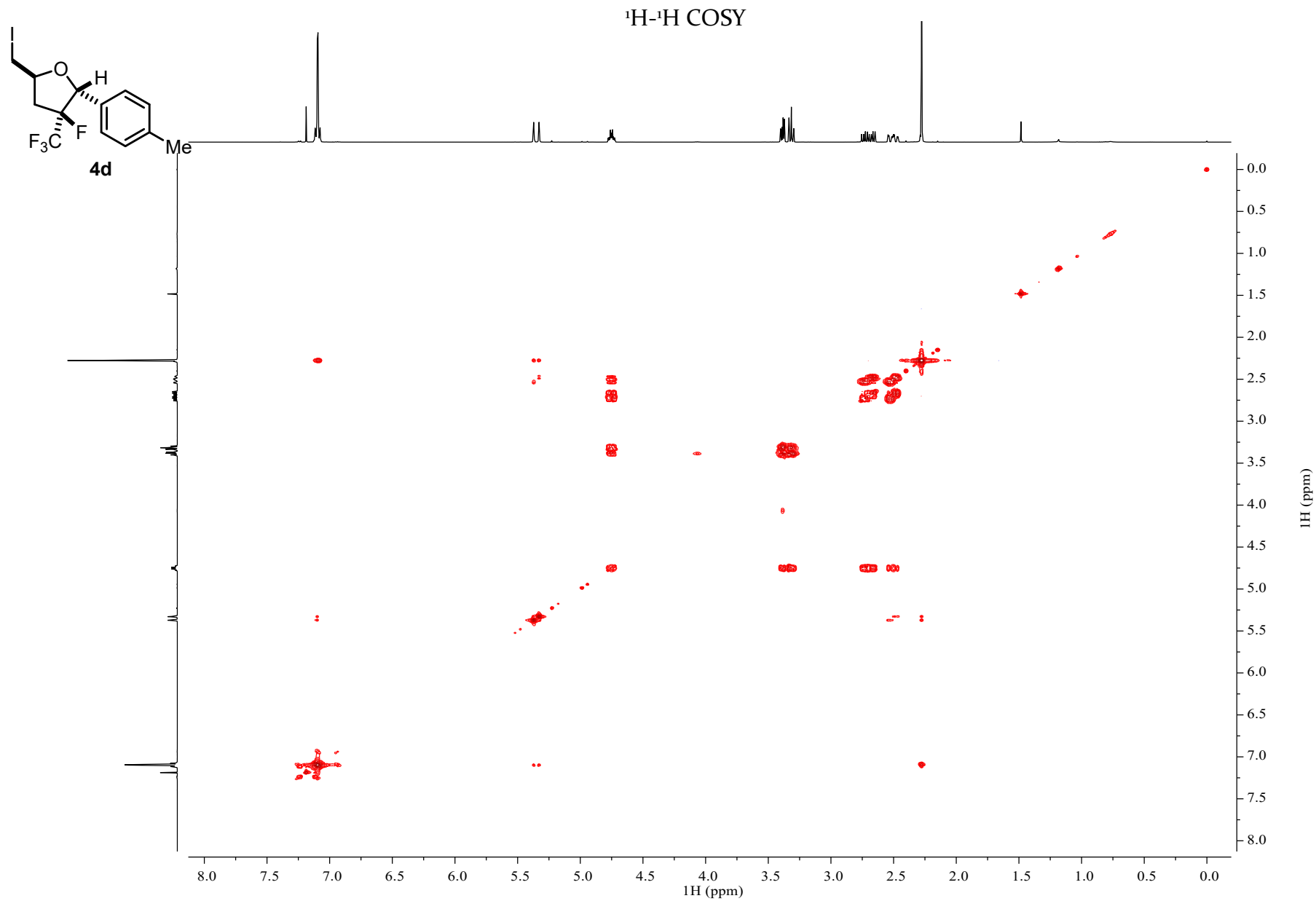
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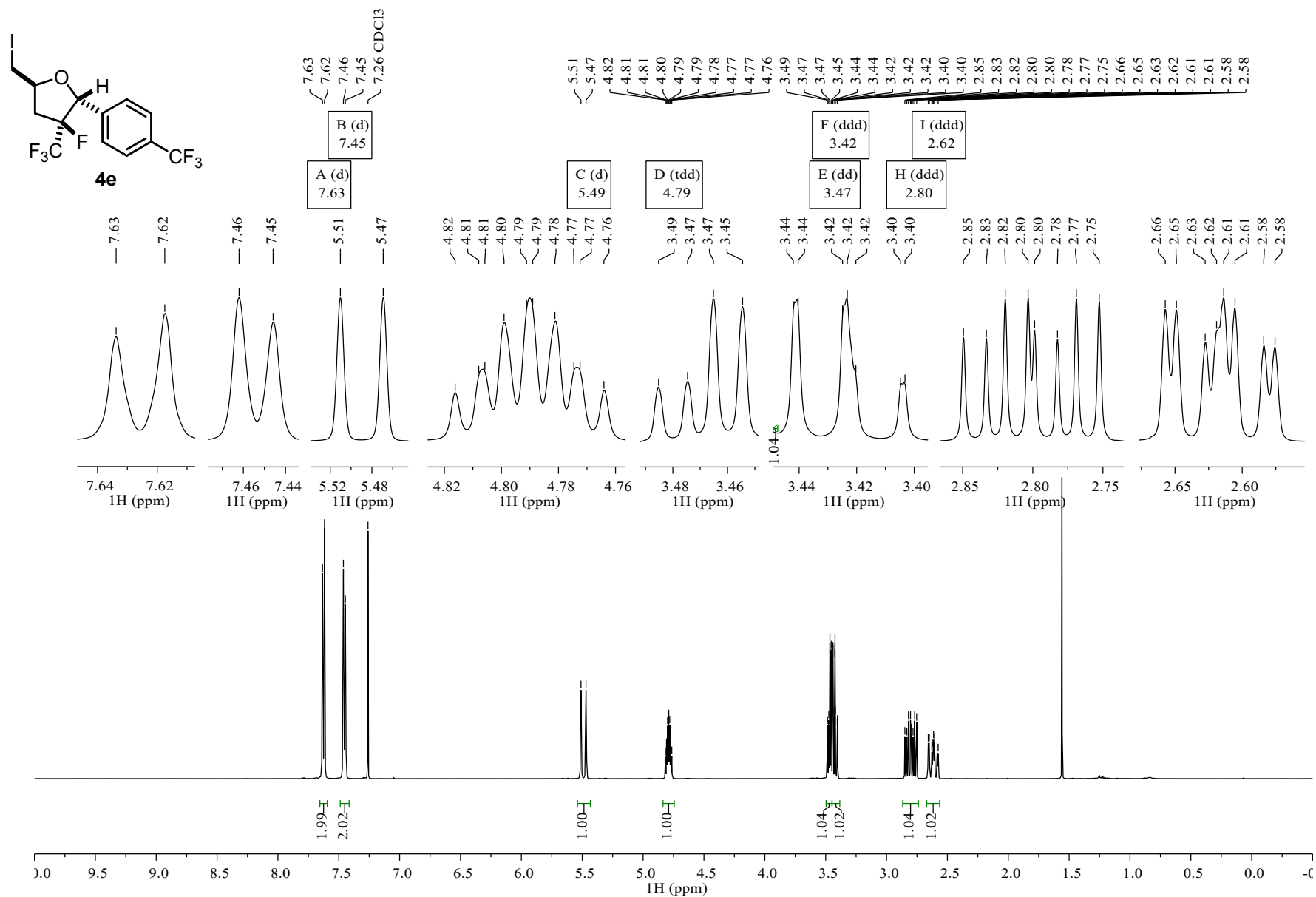
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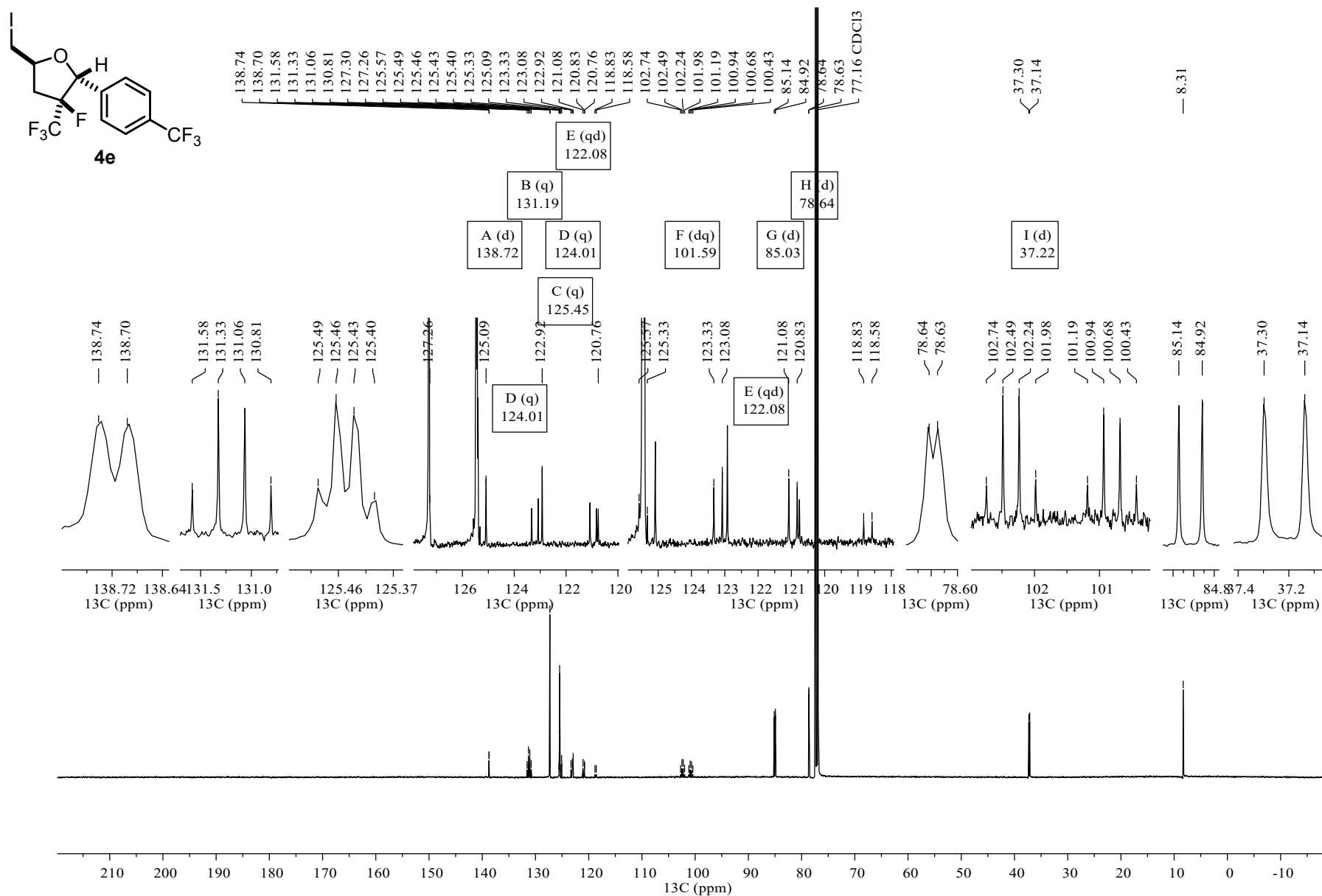
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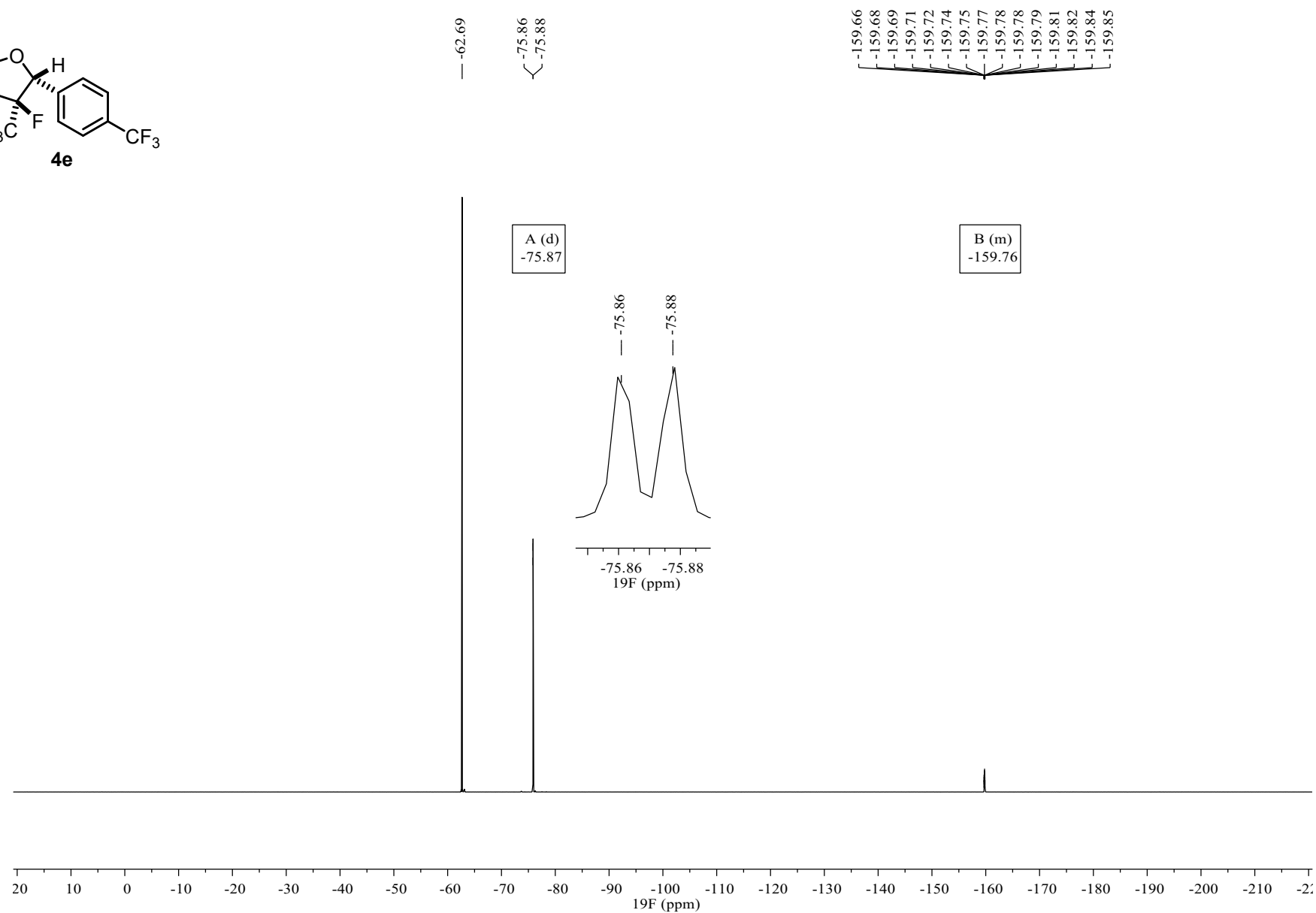
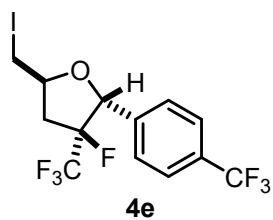
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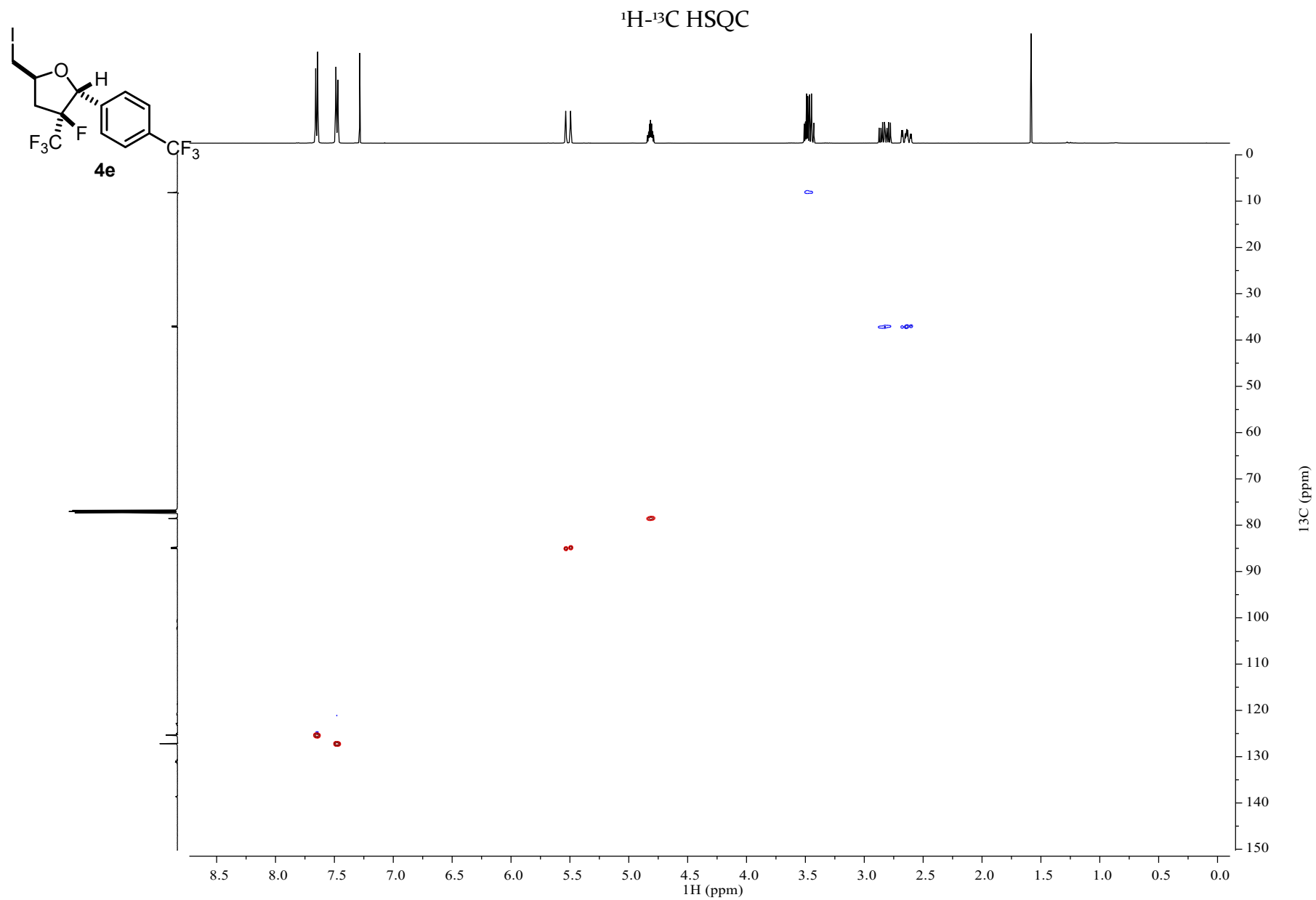
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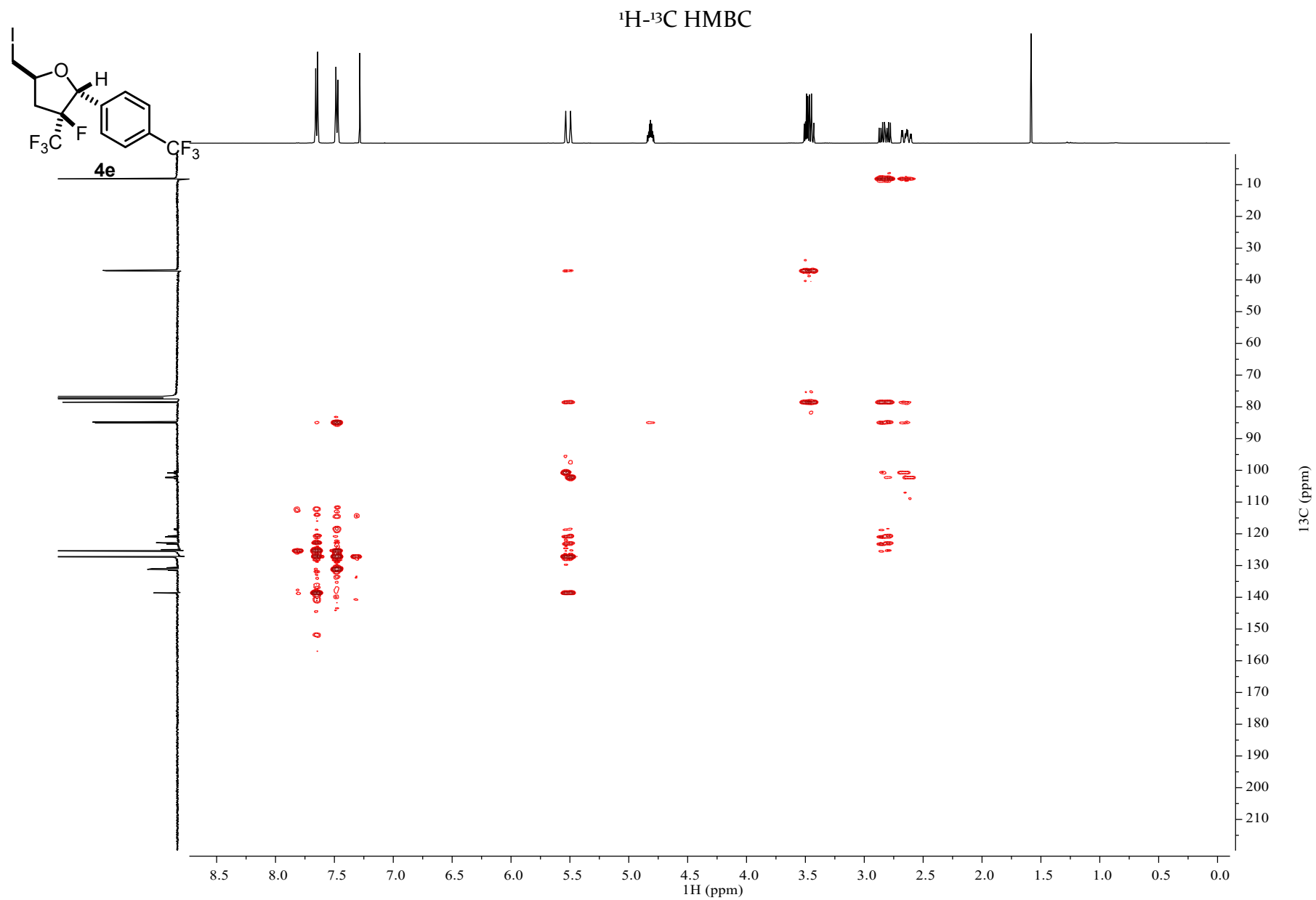
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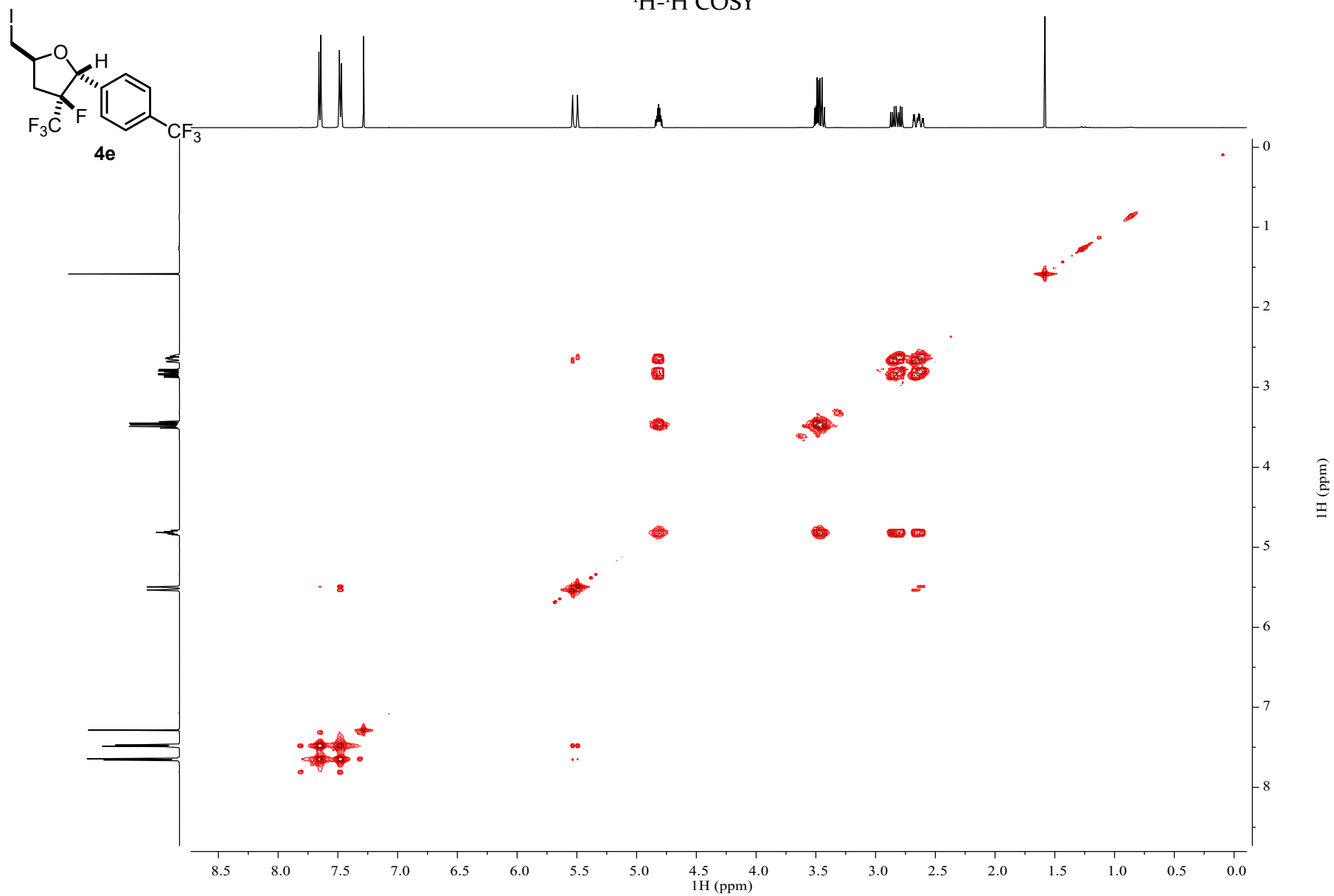


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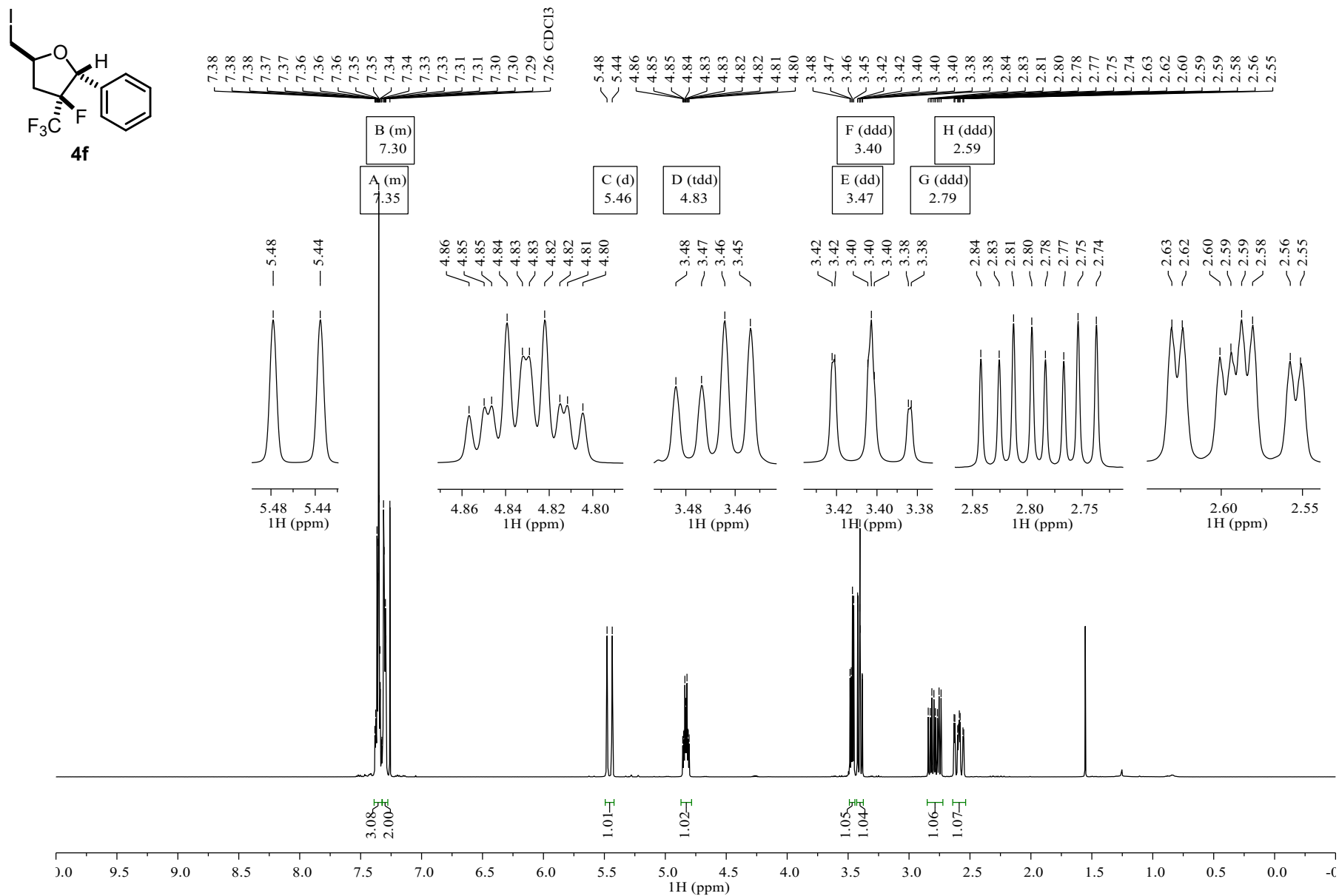


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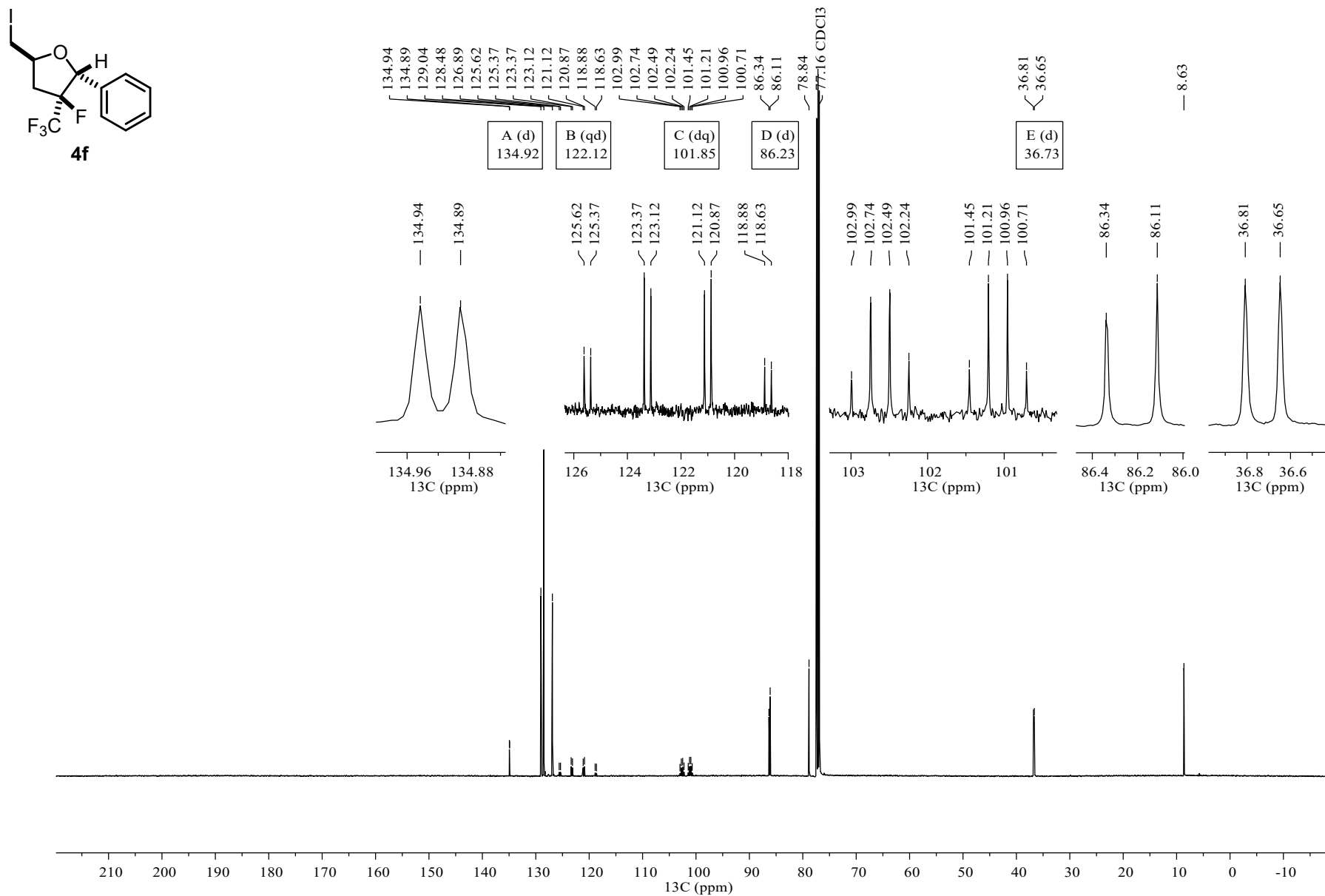
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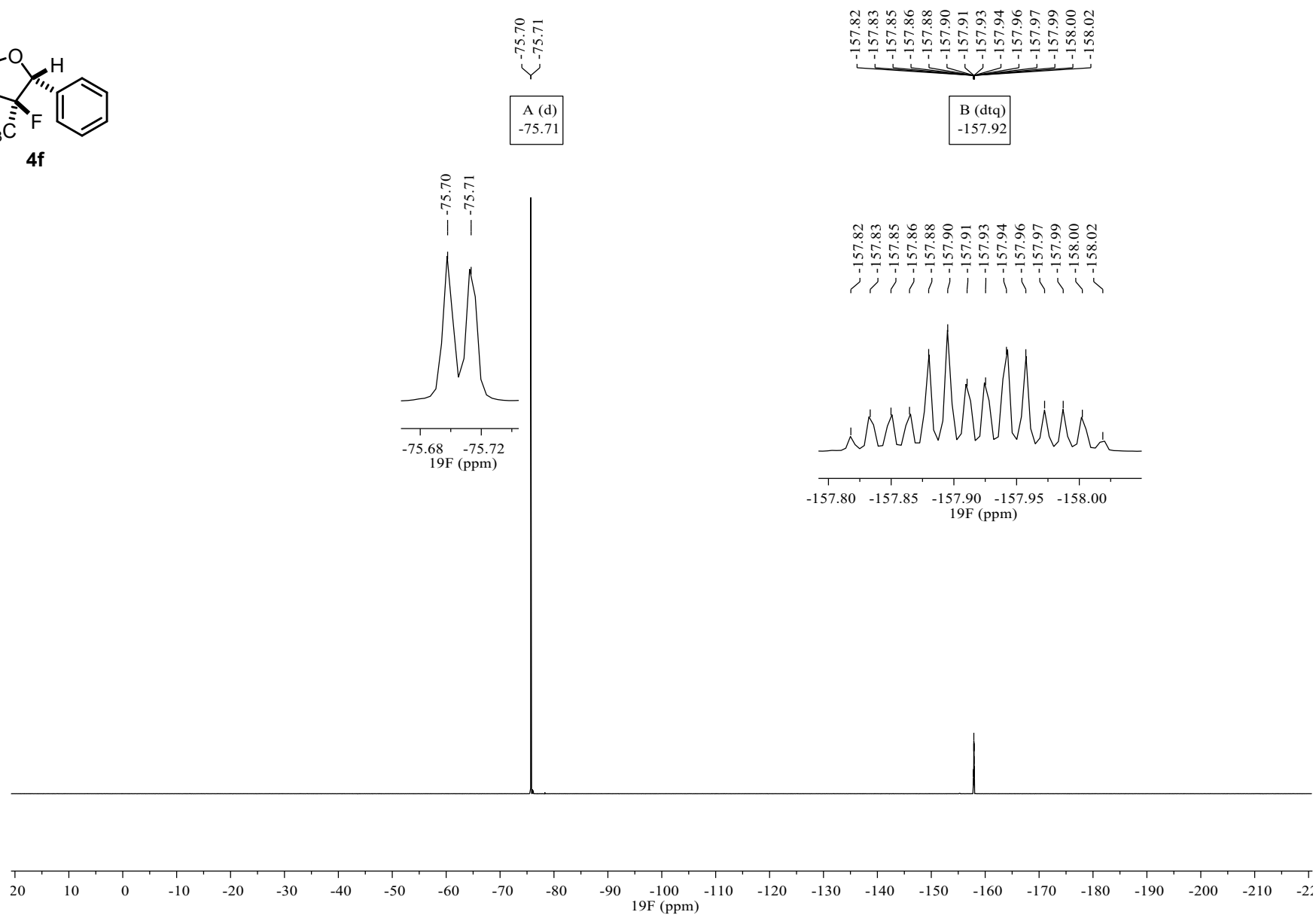
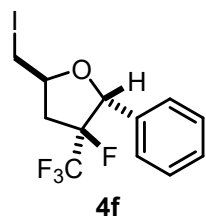
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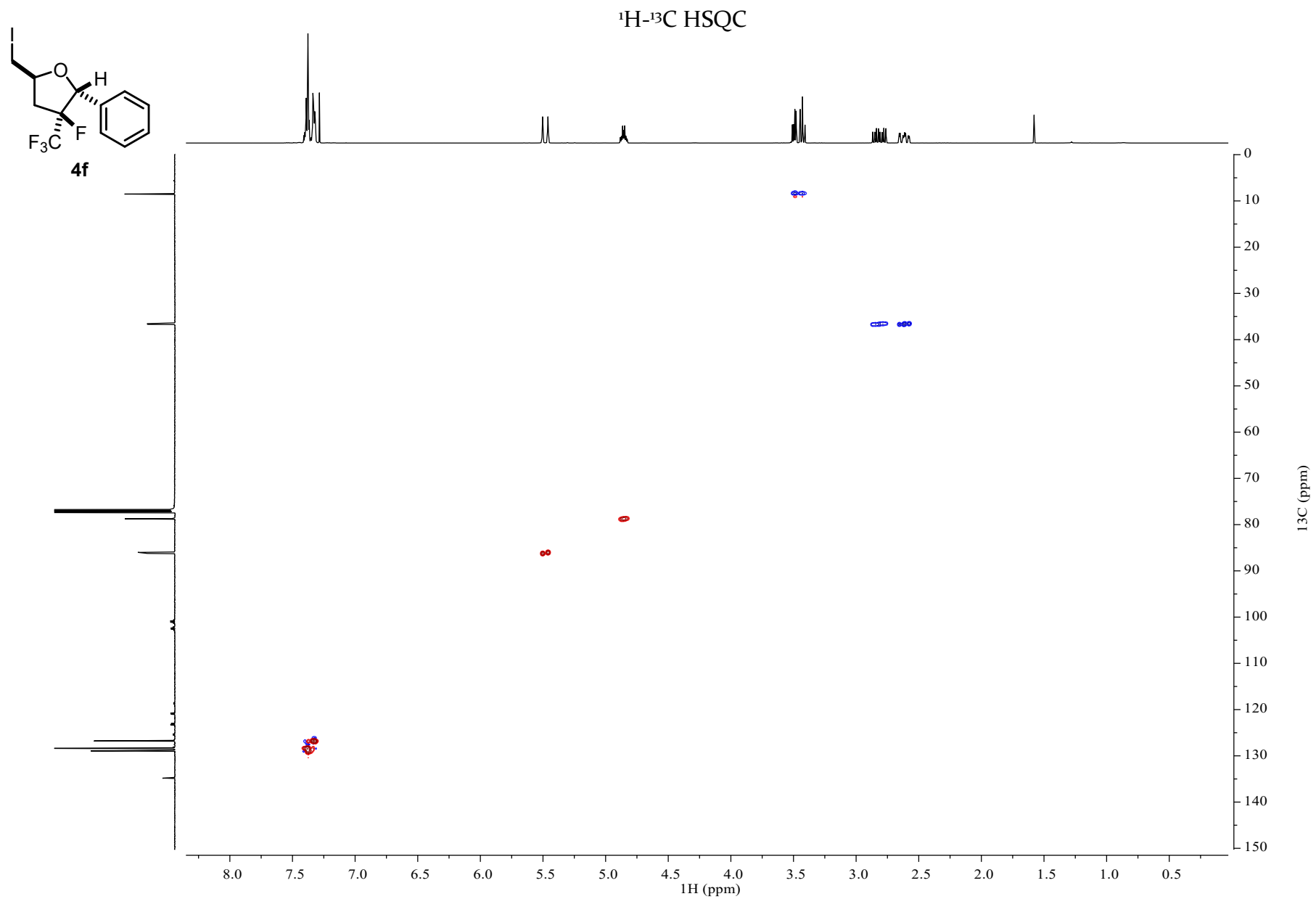
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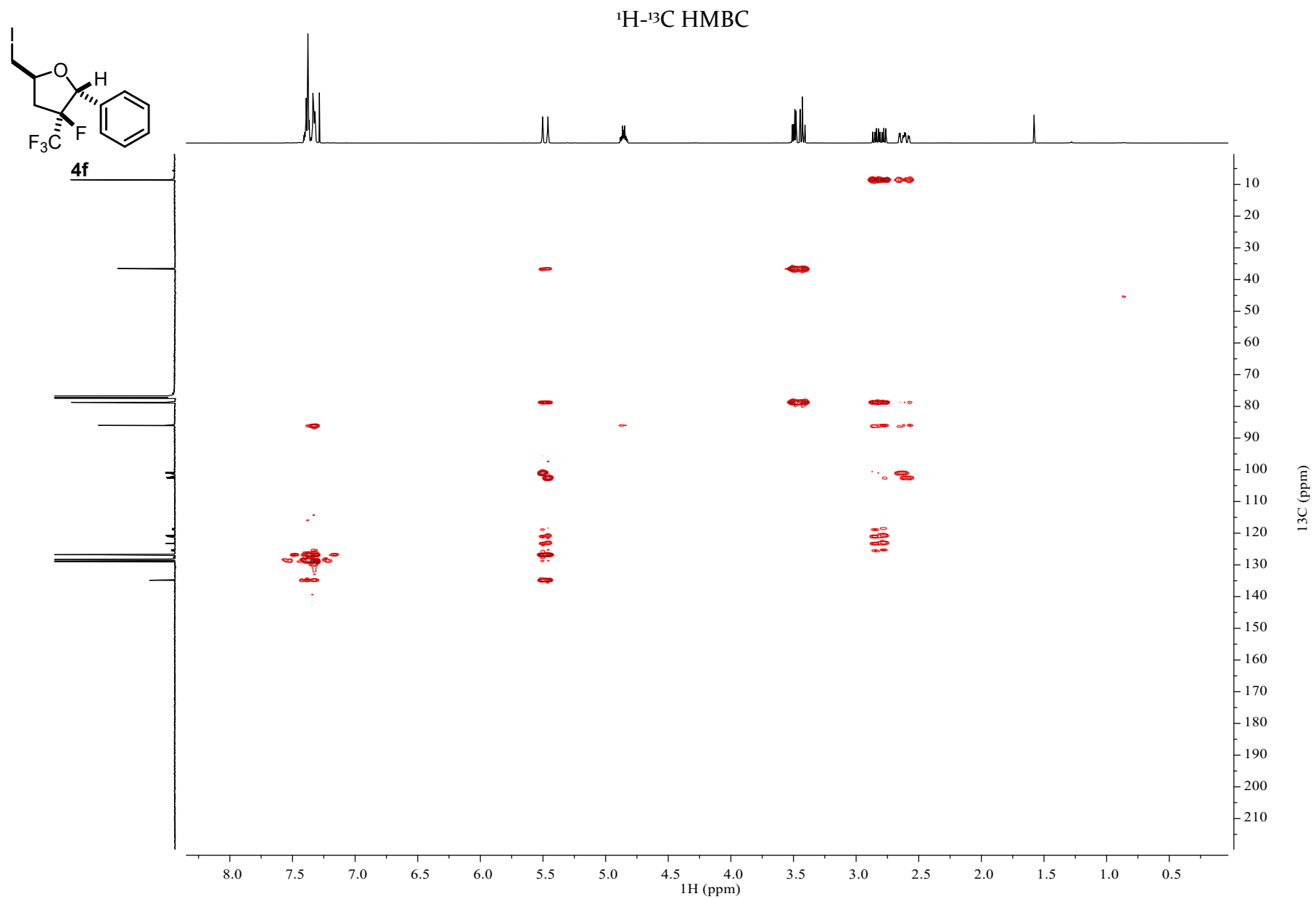
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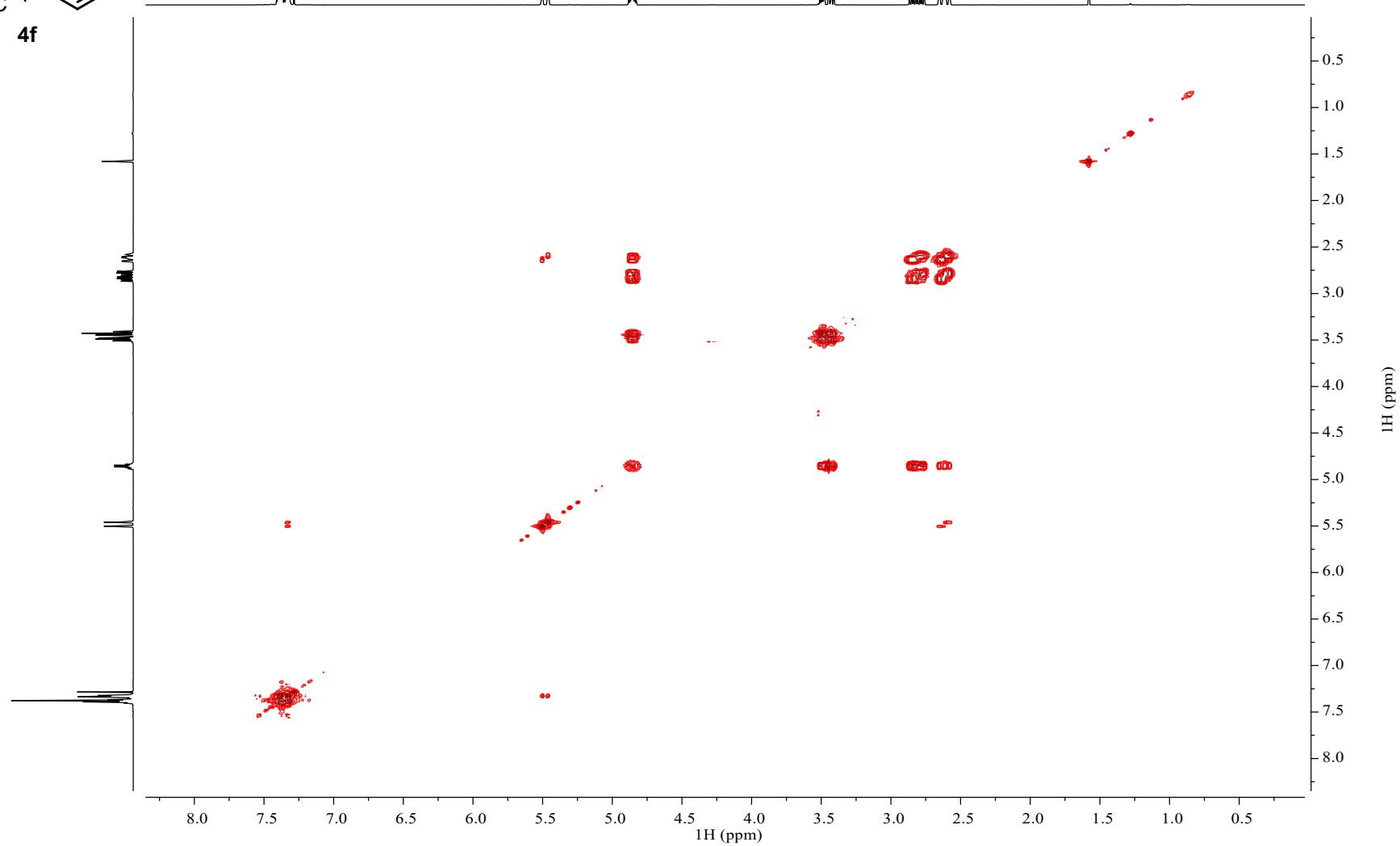
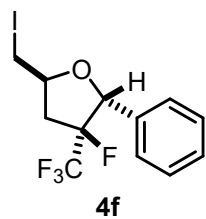


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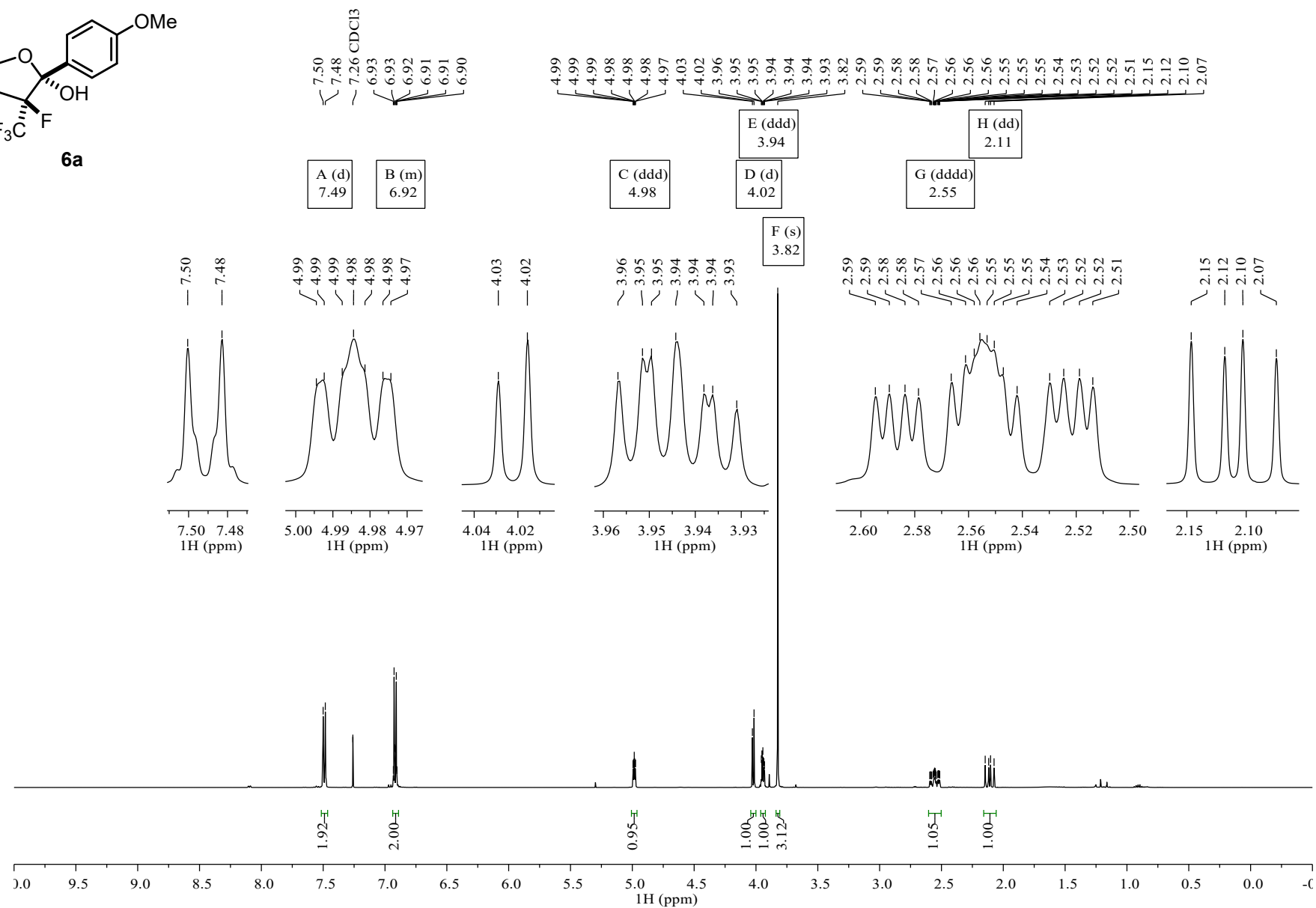
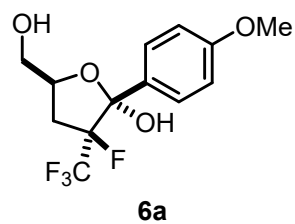


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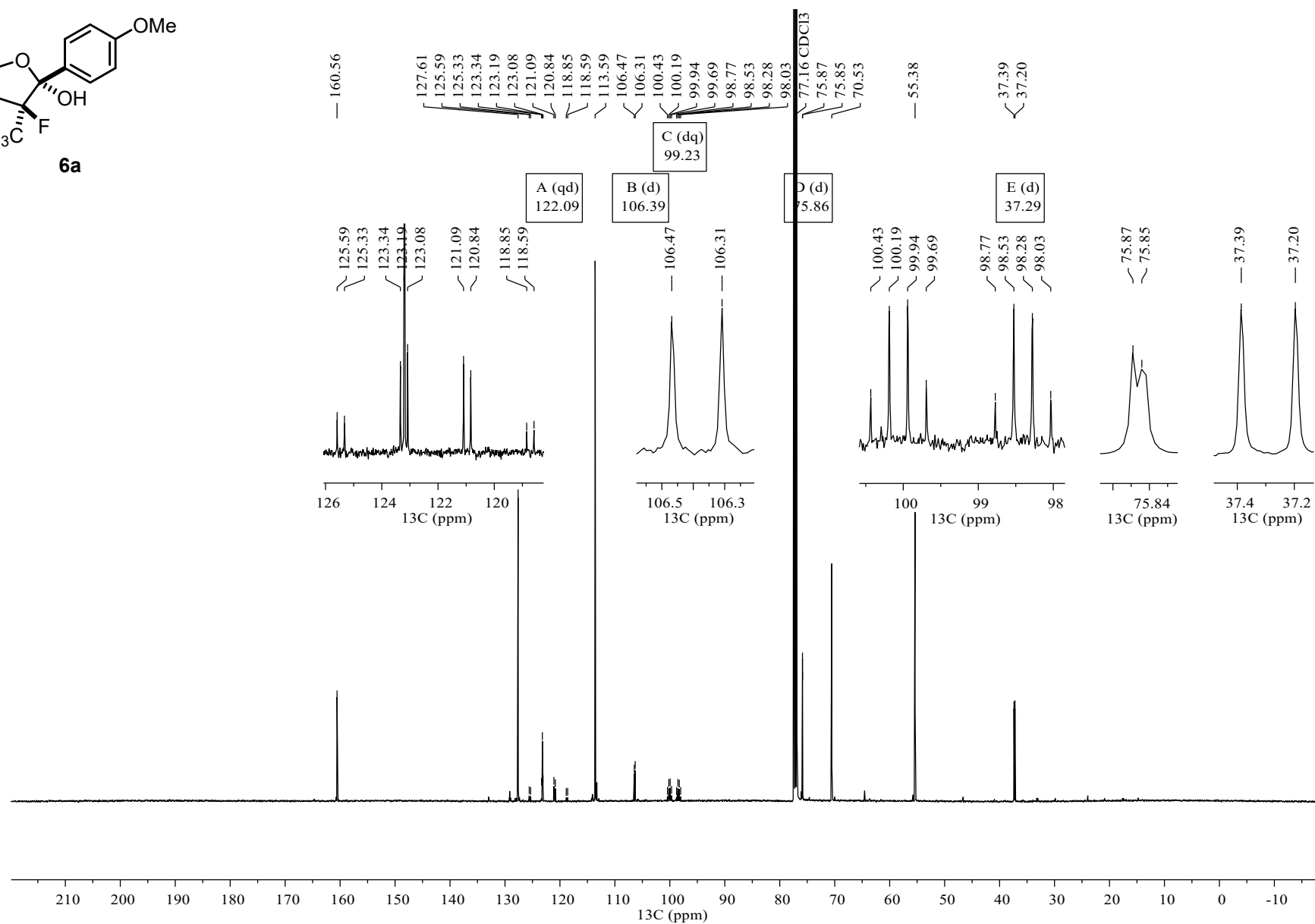
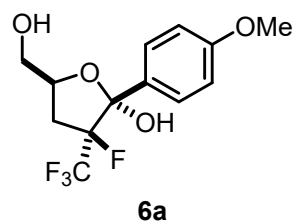


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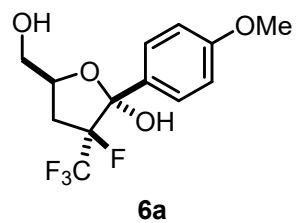
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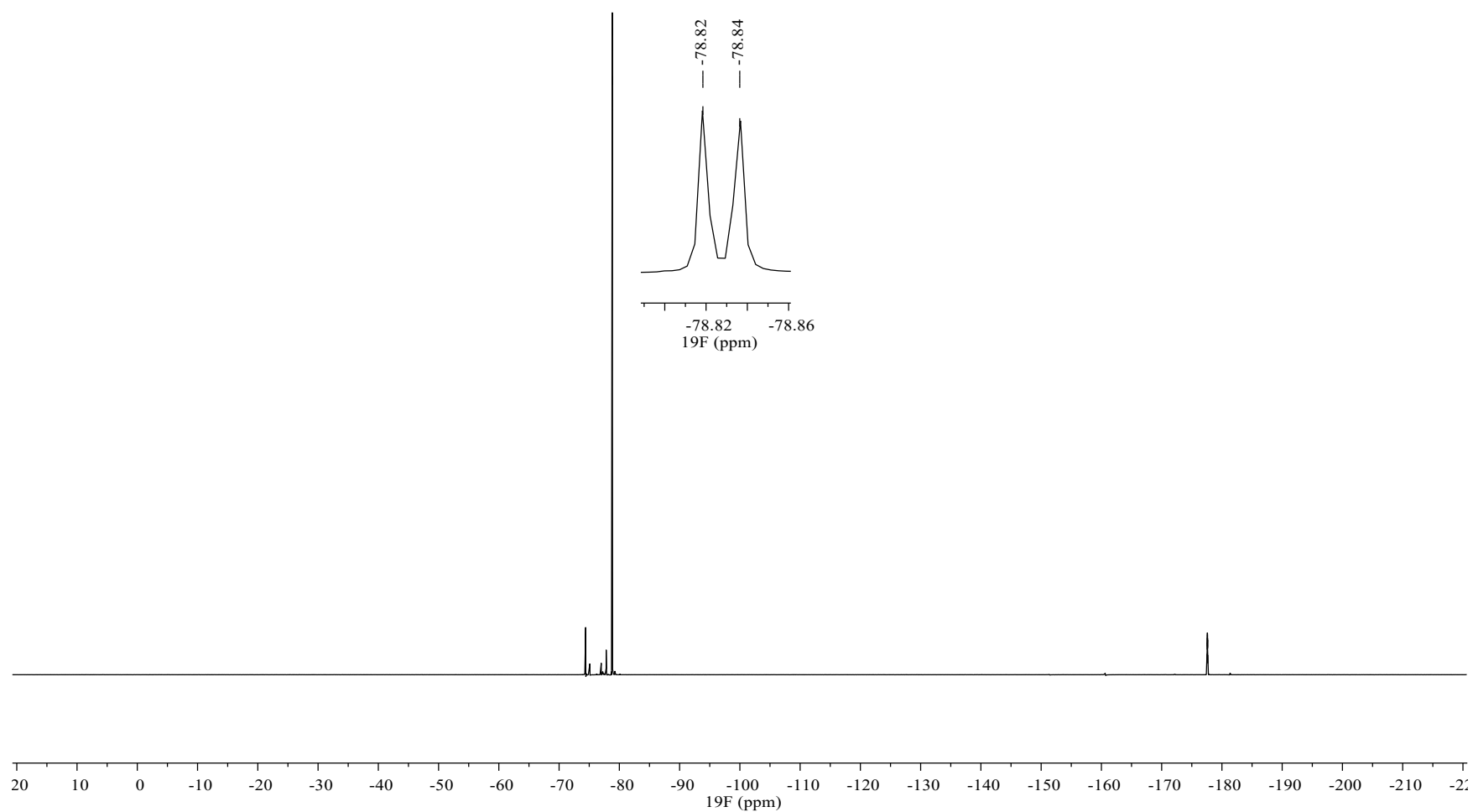


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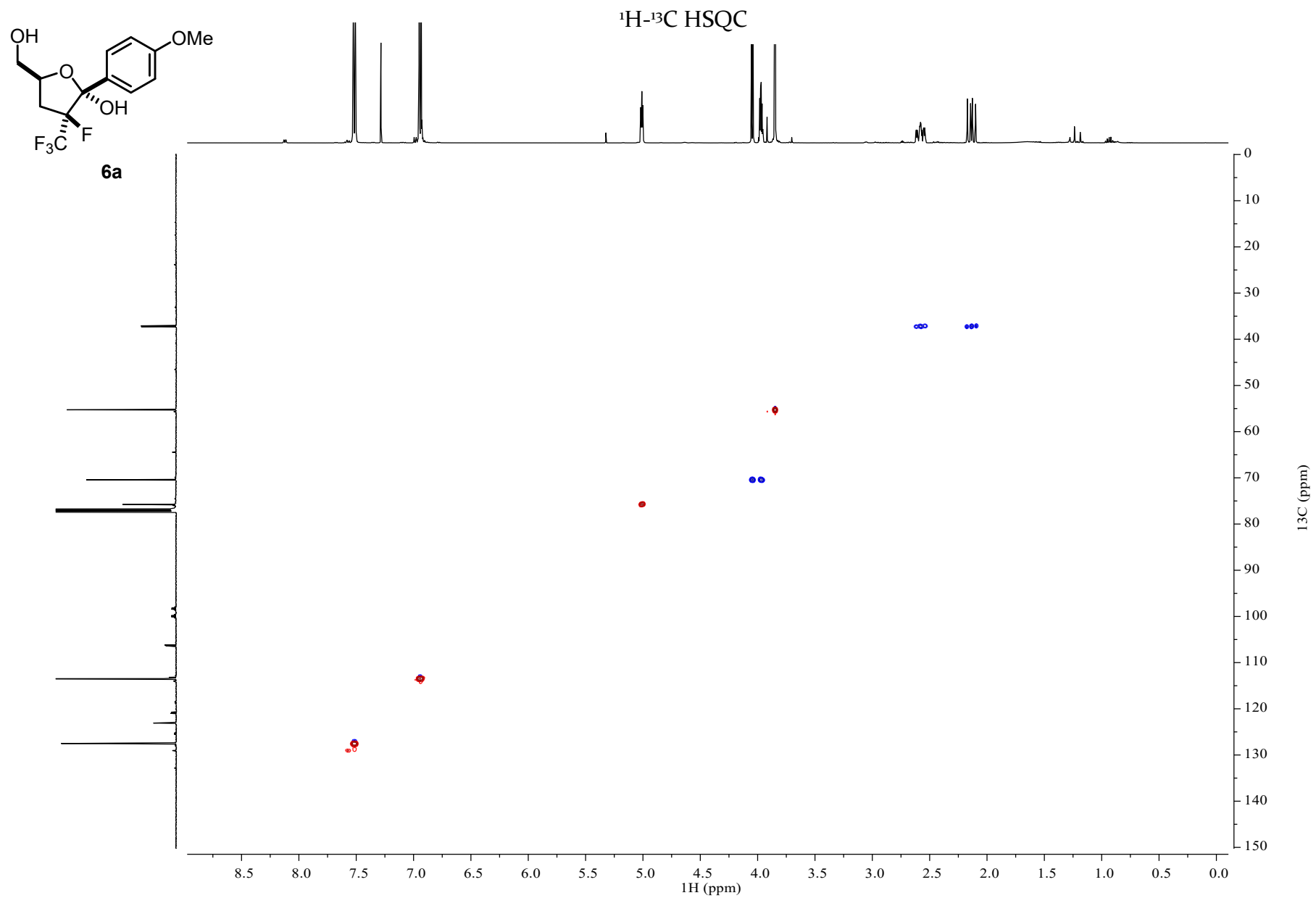


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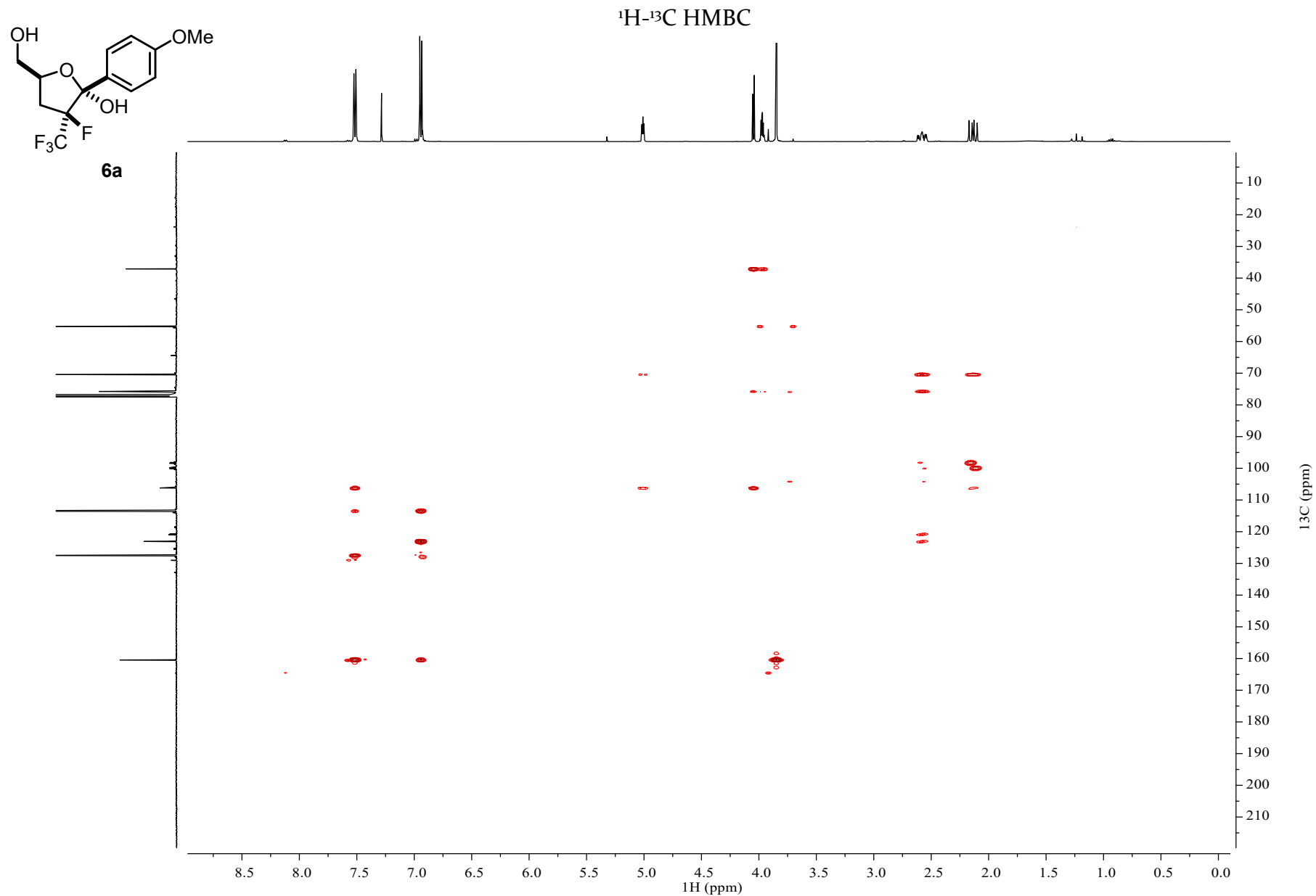
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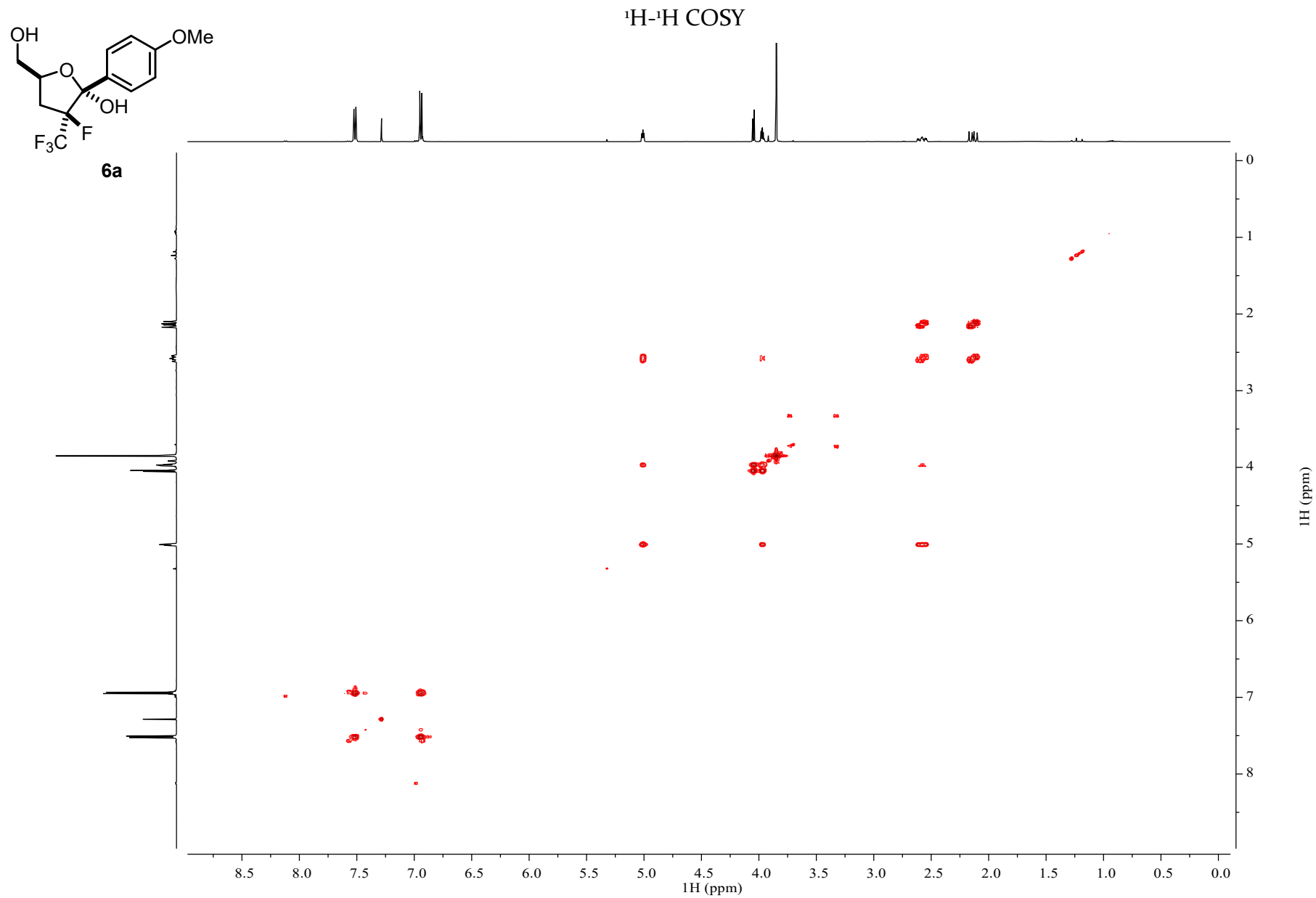
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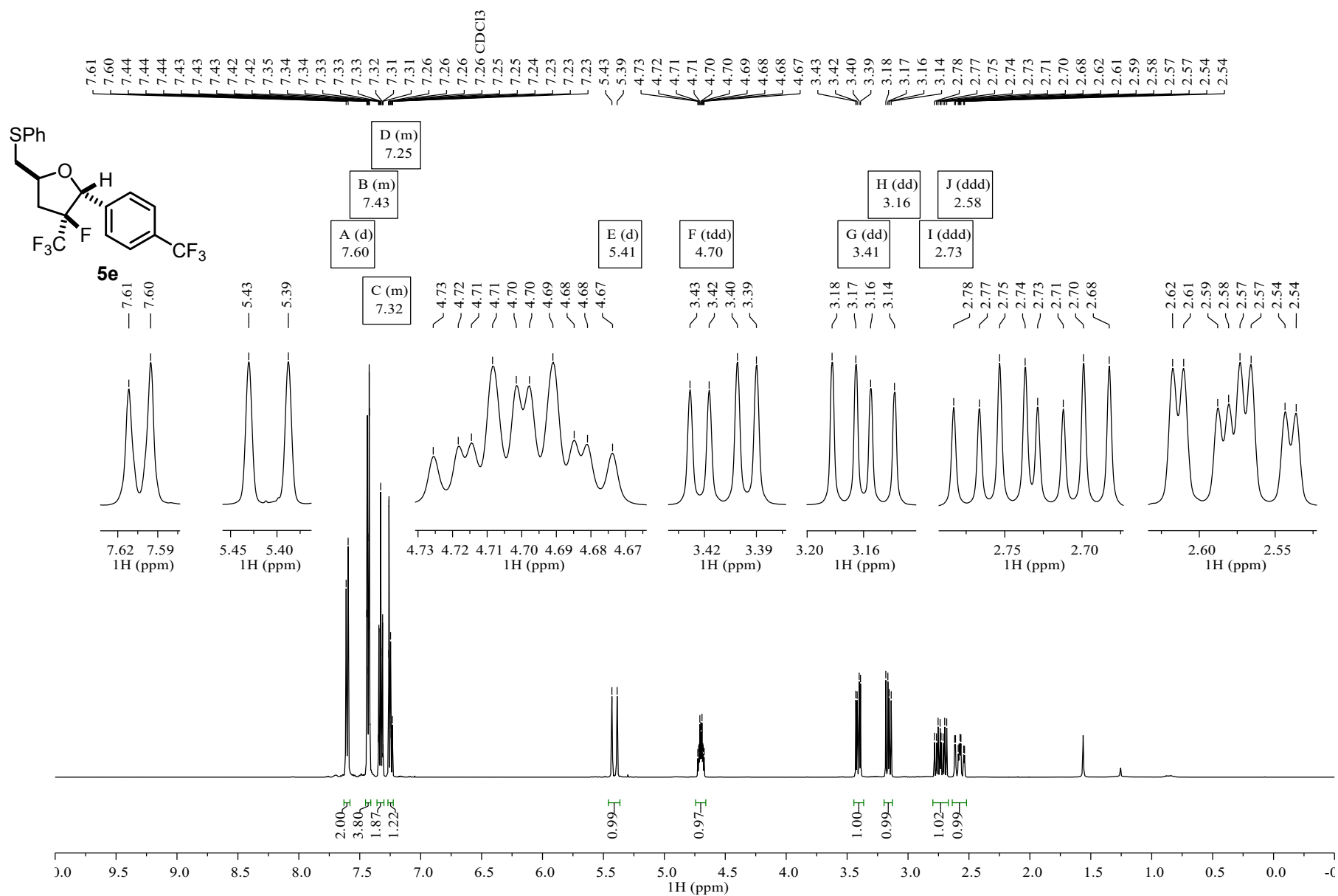
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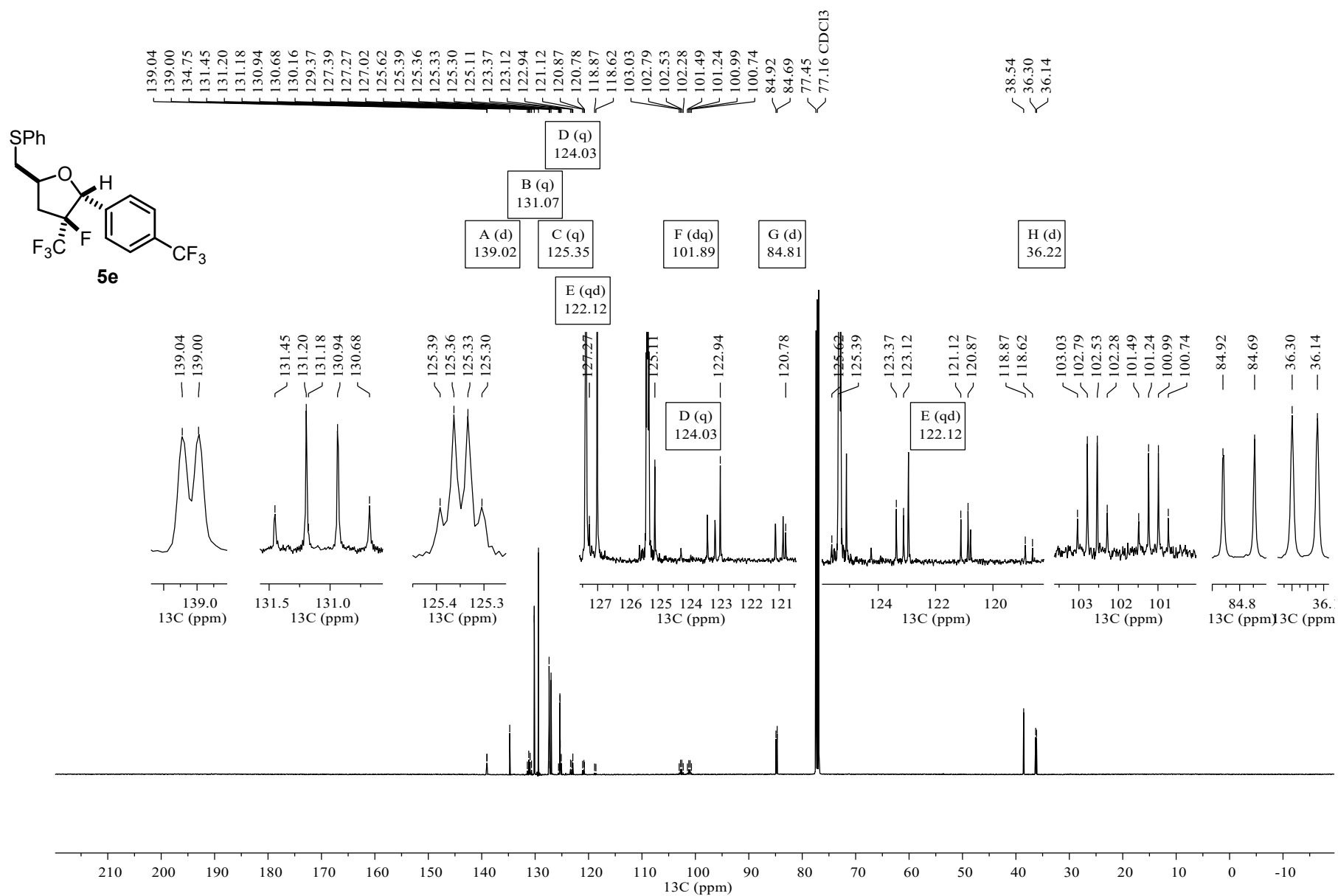
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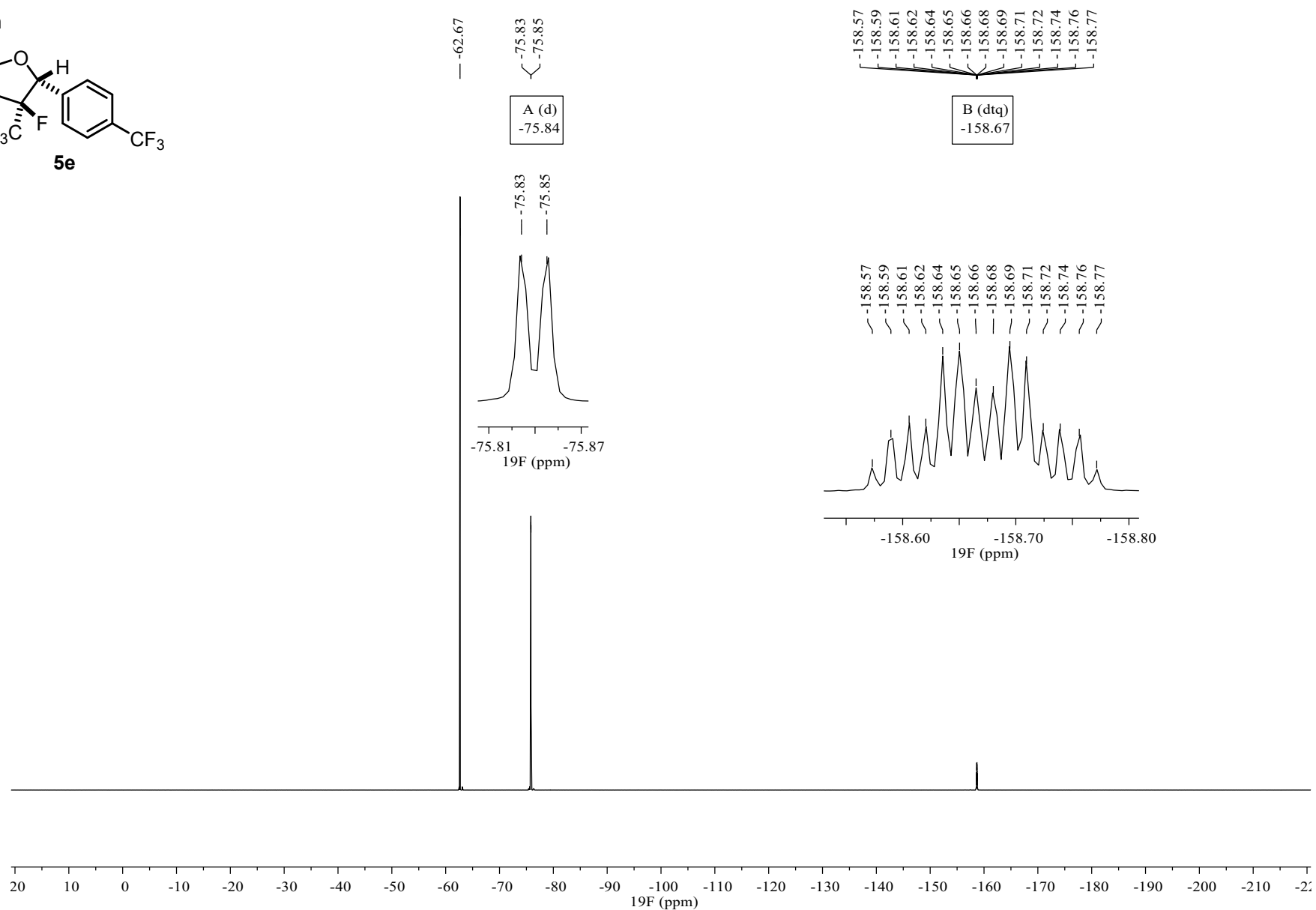
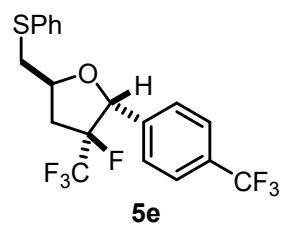
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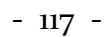
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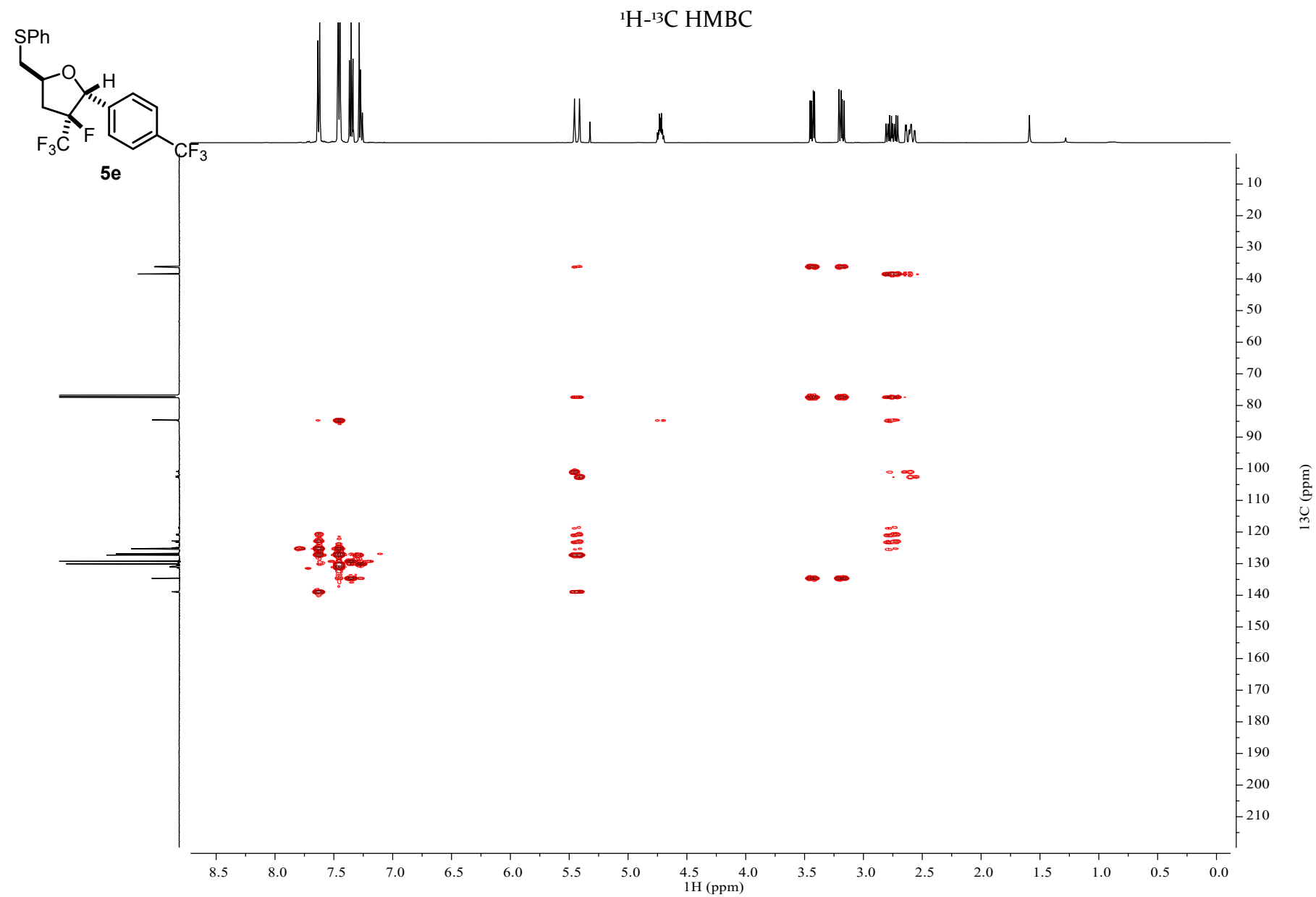
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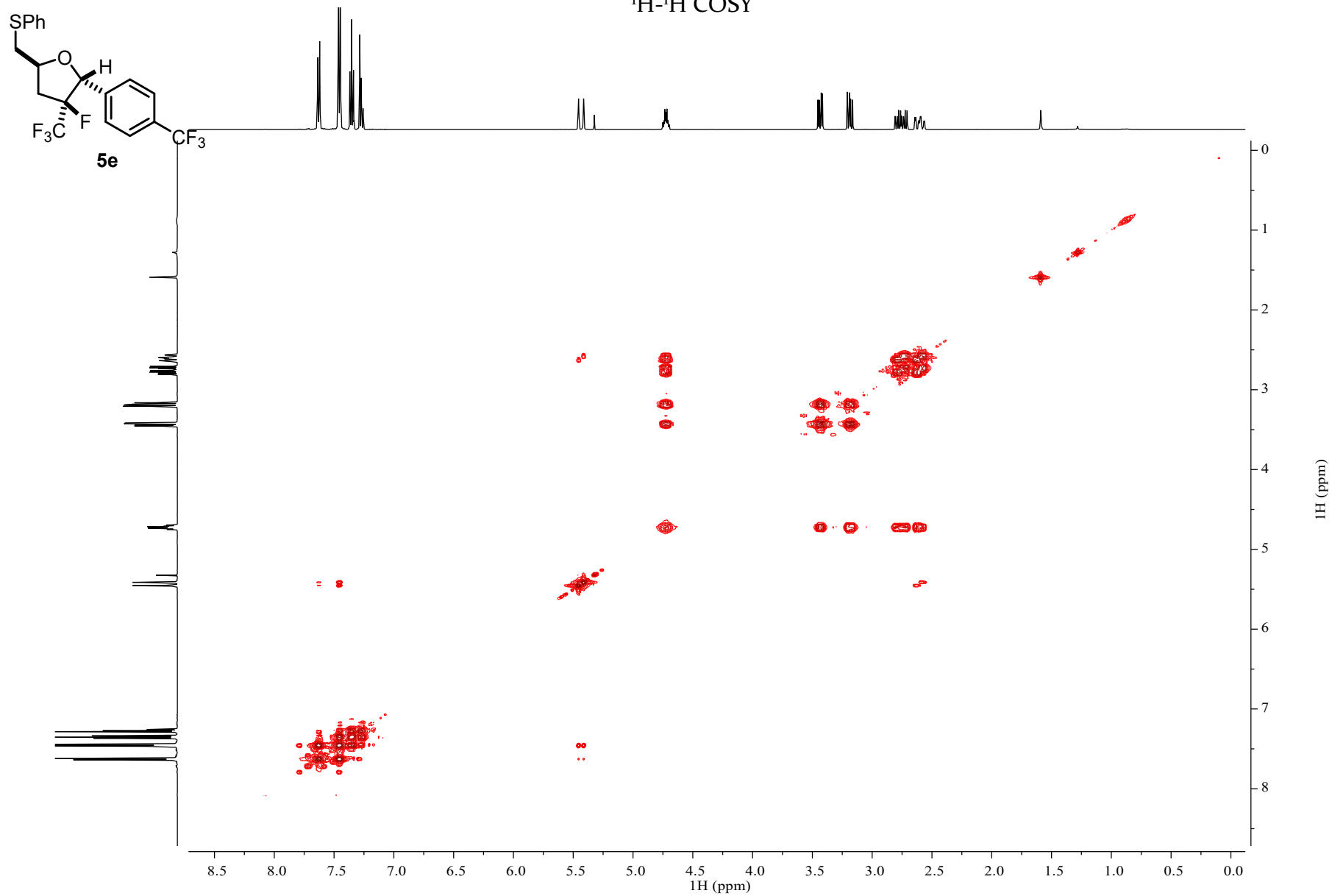


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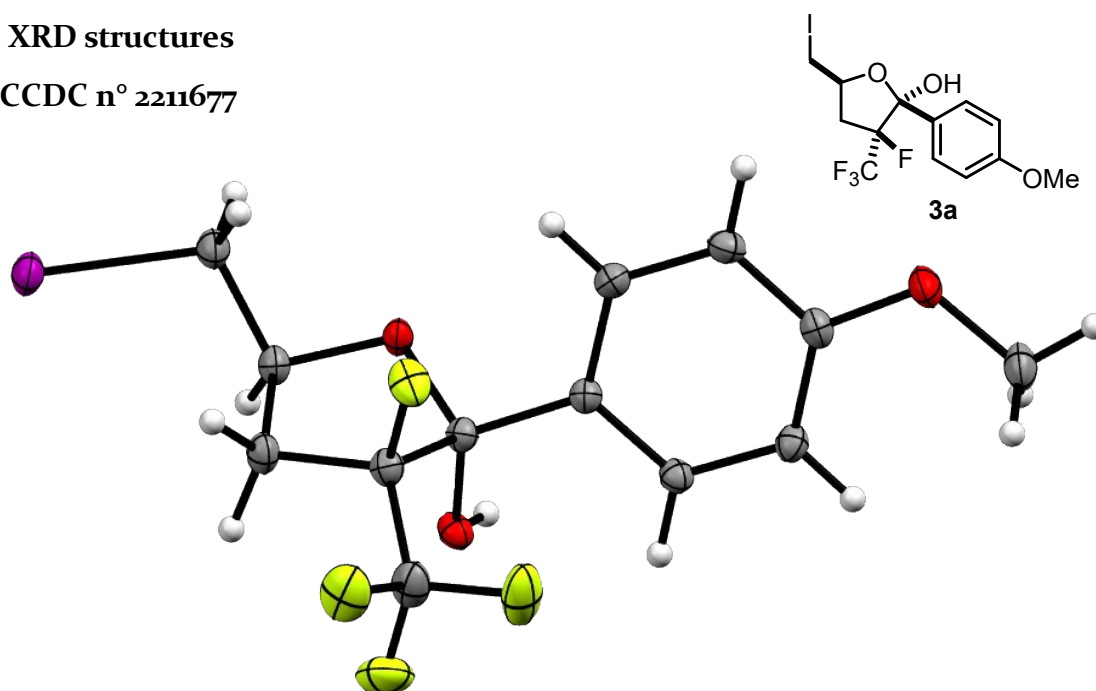
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5. XRD structures

3a, CCDC n° 2211677



Empirical formula	$C_{13}H_{13}F_4IO_3$	
Formula weight	420.13 g.mol ⁻¹	
Temperature	120(2) K	
Wavelength	0.71073 Å	
Crystal system, Space group	Triclinic, <i>P</i> -1	
Unit cell dimensions	$a = 10.1192(3)$ Å	$\alpha = 88.7920(10)^\circ$
	$b = 12.0673(3)$ Å	$\beta = 77.9670(10)^\circ$
	$c = 13.3266(4)$ Å	$\gamma = 67.5800(10)^\circ$
Volume	1468.20(7) Å ³	
Z, Density (calculated)	4, 1.901 Mg/m ³	
Absorption coefficient	2.232 mm ⁻¹	
F(000)	816	
Crystal size	0.080 x 0.060 x 0.050 mm ³	
Theta range for data collection	2.230 to 31.041°.	
Limiting indices	-14 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 12, -17 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 17, -19 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 19	
Reflections collected	104291	
Independent reflections	9399 [R(int) = 0.0315]	
Completeness to theta = 25.242°	99.9 %	
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²	
Data / restraints / parameters	9399 / 0 / 389	
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.098	
Final R indices [I > 2σ(I)]	R1 = 0.0216, wR2 = 0.0426	
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0269, wR2 = 0.0454	
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.452 and -0.828 e.Å ⁻³	

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