

Supporting Information

Radical Borylation of Vinyl Azides with NHC–Boranes:

Divergent Synthesis of α -Boryl Ketones and Borylated Triazoles

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1. General information

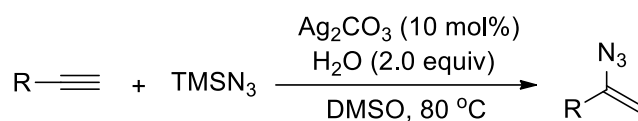
Solvents were purchased from commercial suppliers and used without further purification unless otherwise noted. Commercially available chemicals were obtained from commercial suppliers and used as received without further purification unless otherwise stated.

All reactions were monitored by thin-layer chromatography (TLC) with Huanghai GF254 silica gel coated plates. TLC plates were visualized by exposure to ultraviolet light, and/or staining with the mixture of iodine/silica gel or the solvent of potassium permanganate. Purification of reaction products were carried out by flash chromatography using silica gel (Qingdao Haiyang Co. Ltd, 200-300 mesh). ^1H NMR and ^{13}C NMR spectra were measured in CDCl_3 and recorded on an Agilent DD2 400-MR or Bruker AV-400 spectrometer at ambient temperature. The chemical shifts for ^1H NMR were recorded in ppm downfield from tetramethylsilane (TMS) with the solvent resonance as the internal standard (7.26 ppm for CDCl_3). The chemical shifts for ^{13}C NMR were recorded in ppm downfield using the central peak of CDCl_3 (77.00 ppm). Coupling constants (J) are reported in Hz and refer to apparent peak multiplications. The multiplicities are reported as follows: singlet (s), doublet (d), doublet of doublets (dd), multiplet (m), quarter (q), triplet (t) and broad (br). High-resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were performed on a Thermo Q Exactive Plus mass instrument (ESI). Melting points ($^{\circ}\text{C}$) are uncorrected and were recorded on a SGW X-4 apparatus.

No attempts were made to optimize yields for substrate synthesis.

2. Synthesis and characterization of vinyl azides and NHC-boranes

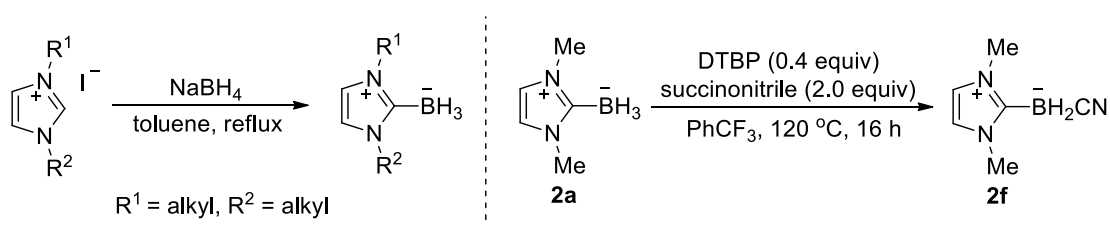
2.1 Typical procedure for the synthesis of vinyl azides¹ (Scheme S1)



The synthesis of vinyl azides **1a**: To a stirred solution of phenylacetylene (0.33 mL, 3.0 mmol), TMSN₃ (0.80 mL, 6.0 mmol) and H₂O (0.11 mL, 6.0 mmol) in diethyl sulfoxide (DMSO) (12 mL) at 80 °C, Ag₂CO₃ (82.7 mg, 0.3 mmol) was added. The mixture was then stirred for 1.0 h (TLC tracking detection). The resulting mixture was cooled to room temperature, diluted with H₂O, and extracted with CH₂Cl₂ three times. The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification of the crude product with flash column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether) afforded the desired product as a pale brown oil (296.3 mg, 68% yield).

Other vinyl azides (**1b-1ll**) were synthesized according to the procedure described for **1a**. Among them, vinyl azides (**1u** & **1jj-1ll**) were new compounds and their spectroscopic data are shown in this supporting information.

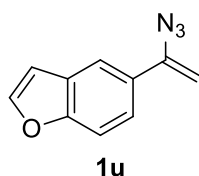
2.2 Synthesis of NHC-boranes (Scheme S2)



NHC-boranes **2a-2f** were known compound and prepared according to literature reported procedures.²

2.3 The spectroscopic data of new substrates

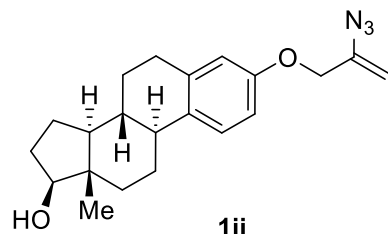
5-(1-Azidovinyl)benzofuran (**1u**)



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.79 (dd, *J* = 1.8, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.51 – 7.44 (m, 2H), 6.76 (dd, *J* = 2.1, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 5.39 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 4.94 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 155.3, 145.8, 145.2, 129.4, 127.5,

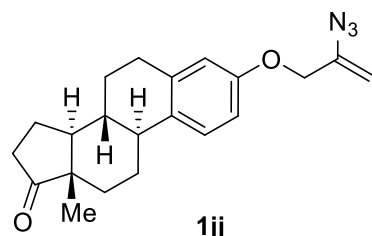
122.2, 118.7, 111.3, 106.8, 97.4; **HRMS (ESI)** calcd for $C_{10}H_8N_3O^+$ ($[M + H]^+$): 186.0662, found 186.0665.

(8*R*,9*S*,13*S*,14*S*,17*S*)-3-((2-Azidoallyl)oxy)-13-methyl-7,8,9,11,12,13,14,15,16,17-decahydro-6*H*-cyclopenta[*a*]phenanthren-17-ol (**1ii**)



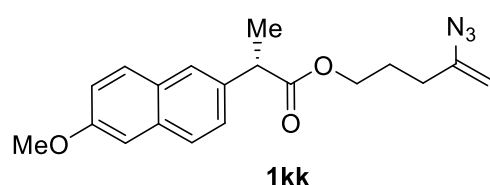
1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.21 (d, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 1H), 6.73 (dd, $J = 8.6, 2.6$ Hz, 1H), 6.66 (d, $J = 2.3$ Hz, 1H), 5.03 (d, $J = 1.7$ Hz, 1H), 4.89 (d, $J = 1.7$ Hz, 1H), 4.43 (s, 2H), 3.76 – 3.71 (m, 1H), 2.87 – 2.83 (m, 2H), 2.34 – 2.28 (m, 1H), 2.22 – 2.08 (m, 2H), 1.97 – 1.85 (m, 2H), 1.74 – 1.66 (m, 1H), 1.54 – 1.16 (m, 7H), 0.78 (s, 3H); **^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, $CDCl_3$)** δ 155.7, 142.1, 138.1, 133.5, 126.4, 114.8, 112.2, 100.9, 81.89, 67.69, 50.0, 43.9, 43.2, 38.7, 36.6, 30.5, 29.7, 27.1, 26.2, 23.1, 11.0; **HRMS (ESI)** calcd for $C_{21}H_{28}N_3O_2^+$ ($[M + H]^+$): 354.2176, found 354.2183.

(8*R*,9*S*,13*S*,14*S*)-3-((2-Azidoallyl)oxy)-13-methyl-7,8,9,11,12,13,15,16-octahydro-6*H*-cyclopenta[*a*]phenanthren-17(14*H*)-one (**1jj**)



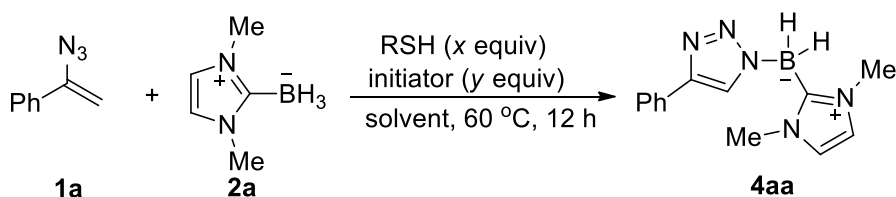
1H NMR (500 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.21 (d, $J = 8.6$ Hz, 1H), 6.74 (dd, $J = 8.6, 2.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.67 (d, $J = 2.7$ Hz, 1H), 5.03 (d, $J = 1.5$ Hz, 1H), 4.89 (d, $J = 1.7$ Hz, 1H), 4.43 (s, 2H), 2.91 – 2.88 (m, 2H), 2.41 – 2.37 (m, 1H), 2.44 – 2.34 (m, 1H), 2.28 – 2.23 (m, 1H), 2.18 – 2.11 (m, 1H), 2.07 – 1.94 (m, 3H), 1.67 – 1.42 (m, 6H), 0.91 (s, 3H); **^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, $CDCl_3$)** δ 220.8, 155.9, 142.1, 137.9, 133.0, 126.4, 115.0, 112.4, 100.9, 67.7, 50.4, 48.0, 44.0, 38.3, 35.8, 31.6, 29.6, 26.5, 25.9, 21.6, 13.8; **HRMS (ESI)** calcd for $C_{21}H_{26}N_3O_2^+$ ($[M + H]^+$): 352.2020, found 352.2025.

(*S*)-4-Azidopent-4-en-1-yl 2-(6-methoxynaphthalen-2-yl)propanoate (**1kk**)



¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.71 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.67 (d, *J* = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.15 (dd, *J* = 8.9, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 7.12 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 4.57 (d, *J* = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 4.50 (d, *J* = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 4.09 (t, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 2H), 3.91 (s, 3H), 3.86 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 1.99 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 1.78 – 1.72 (m, 2H), 1.58 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H); **¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ 174.6, 157.6, 145.5, 135.6, 133.7, 129.2, 128.9, 127.1, 126.2, 125.9, 119.0, 105.6, 98.6, 63.4, 55.3, 45.4, 30.1, 26.2, 18.4; **HRMS (ESI)** calcd for C₁₉H₂₂N₃O₃⁺ ([M + H]⁺): 340.1656, found 340.1658.

3. Table S1. Optimization of conditions for the synthesis of 4aa^a



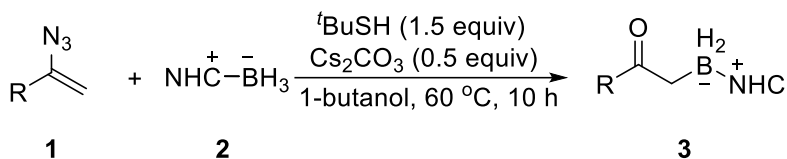
Entry	RSH (x equiv)	Initiator (y equiv)	Solvent	Yield ^b (%)
1	<i>tert</i> -dodecanethiol (1.0)	—	CH ₃ CN	28
2	TRIP thiol (1.0)	—	CH ₃ CN	0
3	^t BuSH (1.0)	—	CH ₃ CN	37
4	ⁱ Pr ₃ SiSH (1.0)	—	CH ₃ CN	7
5	^t BuSH (1.0)	—	THF	24
6	^t BuSH (1.0)	—	CH ₃ OH	41
7	^t BuSH (1.0)	—	DCE	28
8	^t BuSH (1.0)	—	toluene	25
9	^t BuSH (1.0)	—	DMF	21
10	^t BuSH (1.0)	AIBN (1.0)	CH ₃ OH	50
11	^t BuSH (1.0)	DTBP (1.0)	CH ₃ OH	30
12 ^c	^t BuSH (1.0)	AIBN (1.0)	CH ₃ OH	71
13 ^c	^t BuSH (0.5)	AIBN (1.0)	CH ₃ OH	35
14 ^c	^t BuSH (1.2)	AIBN (1.0)	CH ₃ OH	61
15 ^{c,e}	^t BuSH (1.0)	AIBN (1.0)	CH ₃ OH	31
16 ^{c,f}	^t BuSH (1.0)	AIBN (1.0)	CH ₃ OH	42
17^c	^tBuSH (1.0)	AIBN (1.2)	CH₃OH	75
18 ^c	^t BuSH (1.0)	AIBN (1.5)	CH ₃ OH	60
19 ^c	—	AIBN (1.2)	CH ₃ OH	9

^a Reaction conditions: **1a** (1.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv), **2a** (0.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv), RSH (x equiv), initiator (y equiv), solvent (5 mL), 60 °C, 12 h. ^b Isolated yield. ^c The reaction was carried out under an argon atmosphere. ^e The reaction was carried out at 50 °C. ^f The reaction was carried out at 70 °C. TRIP thiol = 2,4,6-triisopropyl-thiophenol.

4. General procedures for the synthesis of products

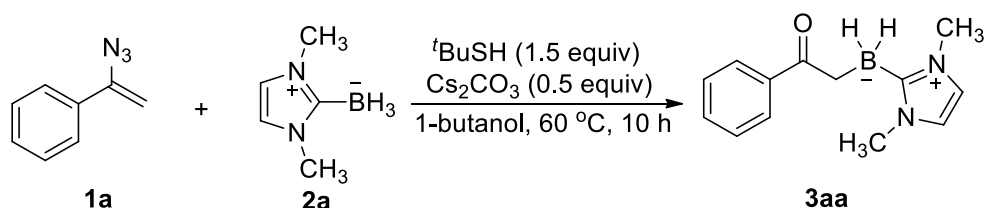
4.1 Procedure A: General procedure for the synthesis of α-NHC-boryl ketones 3

(Scheme S3)



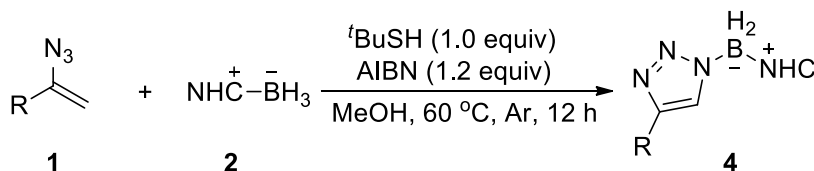
To an oven-dried 25 mL Schlenk tube equipped with a Teflon-coated magnetic stir bar were added vinyl azide **1** (1.5 mmol, 3.0 equiv), NHC-BH₃ **2** (0.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv), ^tBuSH (85 μL, 0.75 mmol, 1.5 equiv), Cs₂CO₃ (81.5 mg, 0.25 mmol, 0.5 equiv), and 1-butanol (5 mL). After stirring at 60 °C for 10 h, the reaction mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure and the crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography (eluent: petroleum ether/EtOAc/Et₃N) on silica gel to afford the desired product **3**.

4.2 Procedure B: Gram-scale preparation of 3aa (Scheme S4)



To an oven-dried screw-cap 150 mL sealed tube equipped with a Teflon-coated magnetic stir bar were added vinyl azide **1a** (2.20 g, 15.2 mmol, 3.0 equiv), NHC-BH₃ **2a** (0.55 g, 5.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv), ^tBuSH (0.85 mL, 7.50 mmol, 1.5 equiv), Cs₂CO₃ (0.82 g, 2.5 mmol, 0.5 equiv), and 1-butanol (50 mL). After stirring at 60 °C for 10 h, the reaction mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure and the crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography (eluent: 1:1:0.01 petroleum ether/EtOAc/Et₃N) on silica gel to afford **3aa** (0.66 g, 58% yield) as a white solid.

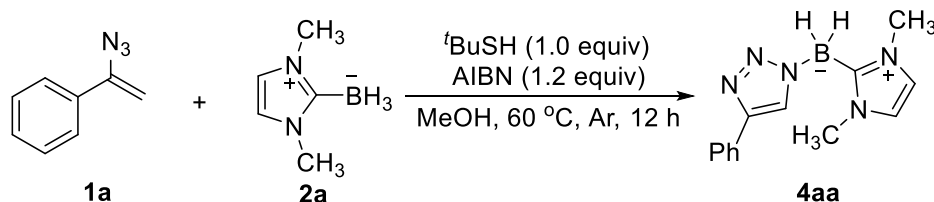
4.3 Procedure C: General procedure for the synthesis of borylated triazoles **4** (Scheme S5)



To an oven-dried 25 mL Schlenk tube equipped with a Teflon-coated magnetic stir bar were added vinyl azide **1** (1.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv), NHC-BH₃ **2** (0.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv), AIBN (98.5 mg, 0.6 mmol, 1.2 equiv), and MeOH (5 mL). The tube was sealed with a rubber septum and cooled to -10 °C. Then the tube was evacuated and

backfilled with argon for 3 times. ^tBuSH (57 μ L, 0.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv) was added via a syringe. After stirring at 60 $^{\circ}$ C for 12 h, the reaction mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure and the crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography (eluent: CH₂Cl₂/MeOH/Et₃N) on silica gel to afford the desired product **4**.

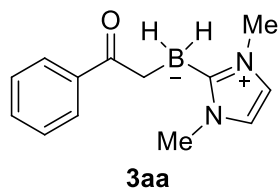
4.4 Procedure D: Gram-scale preparation of **4aa** (Scheme S6)



To an oven-dried screw-cap 150 mL sealed tube equipped with a Teflon-coated magnetic stir bar were added vinyl azide **1a** (1.45 g, 10.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv), NHC-BH₃ **2a** (0.55 g, 5.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv), AIBN (0.98 g, 6.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv), and methanol (50 mL). The tube was sealed with a rubber septum and cooled to -10 $^{\circ}$ C. Then the tube was evacuated and backfilled with argon for 3 times. ^tBuSH (0.56 mL, 5.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv) was added via a syringe. After stirring at 60 $^{\circ}$ C for 12 h, the reaction mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure and the crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography (eluent: 40:1:0.01 CH₂Cl₂/MeOH/Et₃N) on silica gel to afford **4aa** (0.70 g, 55% yield) as a white solid.

5. Characterization data of products

(1,3-Dimethyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)(2-oxo-2-phenylethyl)dihydroborate (**3aa**)



Following the general procedure A, **1a** and **2a** were used. The crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc/Et₃N (1:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **3aa** as a white solid (76.6 mg, 67% yield). *R*_f = 0.55 (eluent: EtOAc). m.p. 91.1-91.9 $^{\circ}$ C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.02 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.45 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 6.77 (s, 2H), 3.61 (s, 6H), 2.46 (s, 2H).

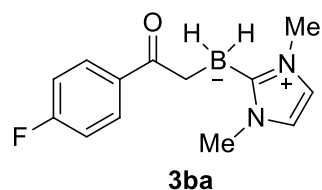
¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 208.3, 138.0, 131.4, 128.4, 128.0, 120.4, 35.9.

¹¹B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -27.5 (t, *J* = 90.1 Hz).

HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₃H₁₇BN₂NaO⁺ ([M + Na]⁺): 251.13261, found 251.13184.

(1,3-Dimethyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)(2-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-oxoethyl)dihydroborate

(3ba)



Following the general procedure A, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc/Et₃N (1:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **3ba** as a colorless oil (72.1 mg, 59% yield). $R_f = 0.53$ (eluent: EtOAc).

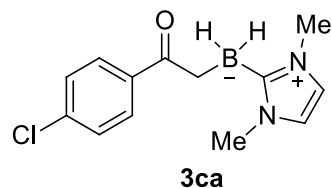
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.04 (dd, $J = 8.8, 5.7$ Hz, 2H), 7.04 (t, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 2H), 6.78 (s, 2H), 3.61 (s, 6H), 2.41 (s, 2H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 206.7, 164.8 (d, $J = 251.4$ Hz), 134.2 (d, $J = 3.0$ Hz), 130.9 (d, $J = 9.0$ Hz), 120.4, 114.8 (d, $J = 21.4$ Hz), 35.9.

¹¹B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -27.5 (t, $J = 90.3$ Hz).

HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₃H₁₆BFN₂NaO⁺ ([M + Na]⁺): 269.1232, found 269.1242.

(2-(4-Chlorophenyl)-2-oxoethyl)(1,3-dimethyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)dihydroborate (**3ca**)

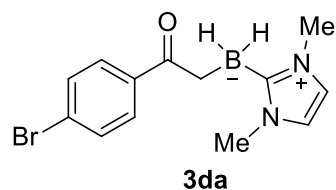


Following the general procedure A, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc/Et₃N (1:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **3ca** as a white solid (62.7 mg, 48% yield). $R_f = 0.59$ (eluent: EtOAc). m.p. 96.2-98.1 °C. α -NHC-boryl ketone **3ca** is a known compound. Its characterization data is consistent with the reported data in the literature.³

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.97 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.36 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 6.79 (s, 2H), 3.61 (s, 6H), 2.41 (s, 2H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 206.8, 137.5, 136.2, 129.9, 128.2, 120.4, 35.9.

(2-(4-Bromophenyl)-2-oxoethyl)(1,3-dimethyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)dihydroborate (**3da**)



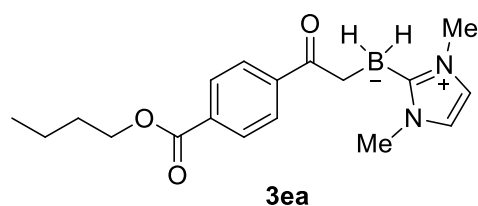
Following the general procedure A, the crude product was purified by flash column

chromatography on silica gel eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc/Et₃N (1:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **3da** as a white solid (93.7 mg, 61% yield). *R_f* = 0.59 (eluent: EtOAc). m.p. 119.6-121.4 °C. α-NHC-boryl ketone **3da** is a known compound. Its characterization data is consistent with the reported data in the literature.³

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.90 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.52 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 6.79 (s, 2H), 3.61 (s, 6H), 2.41 (s, 2H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 206.9, 136.7, 131.1, 130.1, 126.2, 120.4, 35.9.

(2-(4-(Butoxycarbonyl)phenyl)-2-oxoethyl)(1,3-dimethyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)di hydroborate (**3ea**)



Following the general procedure A, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc/Et₃N (1:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **3ea** as a white solid (68.6 mg, 42% yield). *R_f* = 0.66 (eluent: EtOAc). m.p. 72.6-73.5 °C.

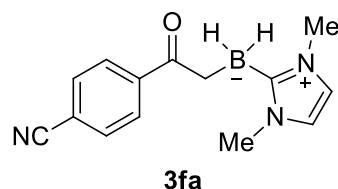
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.09 – 8.04 (m, 4H), 6.78 (s, 2H), 4.33 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.61 (s, 6H), 2.48 (s, 2H), 1.80 – 1.73 (m, 2H), 1.53 – 1.44 (m, 2H), 0.98 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 207.3, 166.3, 141.4, 132.6, 129.2, 128.2, 120.4, 65.0, 35.9, 30.7, 19.2, 13.7.

¹¹B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -28.0 (t, *J* = 90.7 Hz).

HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₈H₂₅BN₂NaO₃⁺ ([M + Na]⁺): 351.1850, found 351.1861.

(2-(4-Cyanophenyl)-2-oxoethyl)(1,3-dimethyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)dihydroborate (**3fa**)

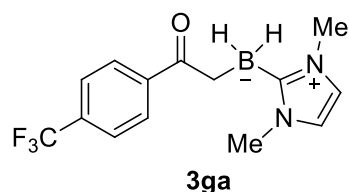


Following the general procedure A, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc/Et₃N (1:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **3fa** as a white solid (67.4 mg, 54% yield). *R_f* = 0.58 (eluent: EtOAc). m.p. 113.5-114.8 °C. α-NHC-boryl ketone **3fa** is a known compound. Its characterization data is consistent with the reported data in the literature.³

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.12 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.70 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.81 (s, 2H), 3.63 (s, 6H), 2.44 (s, 2H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 206.1, 141.2, 131.9, 128.8, 120.5, 118.5, 114.5, 35.8.

(1,3-Dimethyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)(2-oxo-2-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)ethyl)dihydroborate (**3ga**)

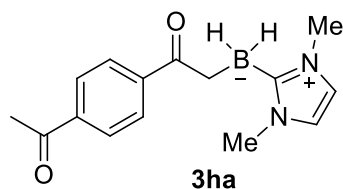


Following the general procedure A, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc/Et₃N (1:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **3ga** as a white solid (65.8 mg, 45% yield). *R_f* = 0.66 (eluent: EtOAc). m.p. 86.3-87.7 °C. α-NHC-boryl ketone **3ga** is a known compound. Its characterization data is consistent with the reported data in the literature.³

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.13 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.66 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 6.80 (s, 2H), 3.62 (s, 6H), 2.46 (s, 2H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 206.8, 140.8 (q, *J* = 1.2 Hz), 132.7 (q, *J* = 32.3 Hz), 128.7, 125.0 (q, *J* = 3.8 Hz), 123.9 (q, *J* = 272.3 Hz), 120.5, 35.9.

(1,3-Dimethyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)(2-oxo-2-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)ethyl)dihydroborate (**3ha**)



Following the general procedure A, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc/Et₃N (1:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **3ha** as a white solid (60.4 mg, 45% yield). *R_f* = 0.52 (eluent: EtOAc). m.p. 143.3-145.2 °C.

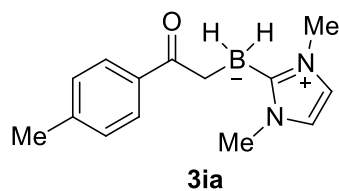
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.10 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.97 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.80 (s, 2H), 3.62 (s, 6H), 2.63 (s, 3H), 2.47 (s, 2H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 207.2, 198.0, 141.4, 138.8, 128.5, 128.0, 120.4, 35.9, 26.8.

¹¹B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -27.5 (t, *J* = 90.7 Hz).

HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₅H₁₉BN₂NaO₂⁺ ([M + Na]⁺): 293.1432, found 293.1443.

(1,3-Dimethyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)(2-oxo-2-(*p*-tolyl)ethyl)dihydroborate (**3ia**)



Following the general procedure A, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc/Et₃N (1:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **3ia** as a white solid (71.6 mg, 59% yield). *R_f* = 0.51 (eluent: EtOAc). m.p. 87.1-87.9 °C.

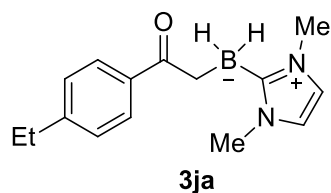
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.91 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.18 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 6.76 (s, 2H), 3.61 (s, 6H), 2.42 (s, 2H), 2.37 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 208.0, 141.7, 135.4, 128.6, 128.5, 120.3, 35.8, 21.4.

¹¹B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -27.4 (t, *J* = 89.9 Hz).

HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₄H₁₉BN₂NaO⁺ ([M + Na]⁺): 265.1483, found 265.1501.

(1,3-Dimethyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)(2-(4-ethylphenyl)-2-oxoethyl)dihydroborate (**3ja**)



Following the general procedure A, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc/Et₃N (1:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **3ja** as a white solid (74.3 mg, 58% yield). *R_f* = 0.55 (eluent: EtOAc). m.p. 74.3-75.9 °C.

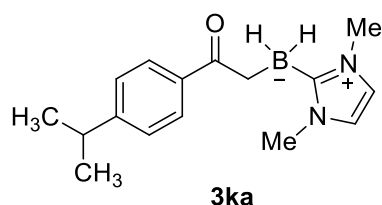
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.94 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.21 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.76 (s, 2H), 3.61 (s, 6H), 2.67 (q, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.43 (s, 2H), 1.24 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 208.1, 147.9, 135.7, 128.6, 127.4, 120.3, 35.9, 28.8, 15.3.

¹¹B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -27.5 (t, *J* = 90.1 Hz).

HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₅H₂₁BN₂NaO⁺ ([M + Na]⁺): 279.1639, found 279.1645.

(1,3-Dimethyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)(2-(4-isopropylphenyl)-2-oxoethyl)dihydroborate (**3ka**)



Following the general procedure A, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc/Et₃N (1:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **3ka** as a colorless oil (65.9 mg, 49% yield). *R_f* = 0.58 (eluent: EtOAc).

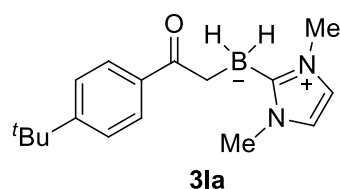
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¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 208.1, 152.5, 135.8, 128.5, 126.0, 120.3, 35.8, 34.0, 23.7.

¹¹B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -27.5 (t, *J* = 90.1 Hz).

HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₆H₂₃BN₂NaO⁺ ([M + Na]⁺): 293.1796, found 293.1810.

(2-(4-(*tert*-Butyl)phenyl)-2-oxoethyl)(1,3-dimethyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)dihydroborate (**3la**)



Following the general procedure A, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc/Et₃N (1:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **3la** as a white solid (95.2 mg, 67% yield). *R_f* = 0.58 (eluent: EtOAc). m.p. 113.2-114.9 °C.

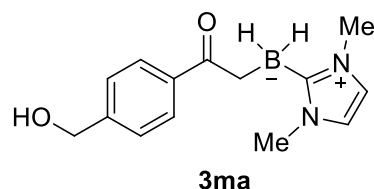
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.95 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.40 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.77 (s, 2H), 3.62 (s, 6H), 2.43 (s, 2H), 1.33 (s, 9H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 208.1, 154.7, 135.4, 128.2, 124.8, 120.3, 35.9, 34.8, 31.2.

¹¹B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -27.5 (t, *J* = 90.1 Hz).

HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₇H₂₅BN₂NaO⁺ ([M + Na]⁺): 307.1952, found 307.1955.

(1,3-Dimethyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)(2-(4-(hydroxymethyl)phenyl)-2-oxoethyl)dihydroborate (**3ma**)



Following the general procedure A, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with CH₂Cl₂/MeOH/Et₃N (15:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **3ma** as a white solid (82.6 mg, 64% yield). *R_f* = 0.59 (eluent: CH₂Cl₂/MeOH = 10:1, v/v). m.p. 128.4-130.2 °C.

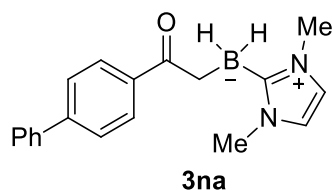
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.01 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.38 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 6.77 (s, 2H), 4.73 (d, *J* = 5.1 Hz, 2H), 3.61 (s, 6H), 2.44 (s, 2H), 2.10 (t, *J* = 5.1 Hz, 1H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 208.4, 144.6, 136.9, 128.6, 126.2, 120.4, 64.5, 35.8.

¹¹B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -27.4 (t, *J* = 90.3 Hz).

HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₄H₁₉BN₂NaO₂⁺ ([M + Na]⁺): 281.1432, found 281.1442.

(2-([1,1'-Biphenyl]-4-yl)-2-oxoethyl)(1,3-dimethyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)dihydroborate (**3na**)



Following the general procedure A, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc/Et₃N (1:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **3na** as a white solid (98.6 mg, 65% yield). *R*_f = 0.56 (eluent: EtOAc). m.p. 156.6-157.3 °C.

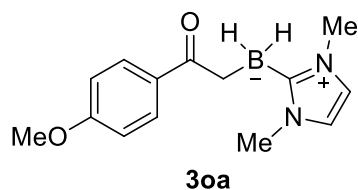
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.10 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.65 – 7.61 (m, 4H), 7.47 – 7.43 (m, 2H), 7.39 – 7.35 (m, 1H), 6.78 (d, *J* = 0.7 Hz, 2H), 3.63 (s, 6H), 2.49 (s, 2H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 207.8, 143.9, 140.4, 136.7, 128.9, 128.8, 127.7, 127.1, 126.6, 120.4, 35.9.

¹¹B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -27.4 (t, *J* = 90.3 Hz).

HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₉H₂₁BN₂NaO⁺ ([M + Na]⁺): 327.1639, found 327.1663.

(1,3-Dimethyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)(2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-oxoethyl)dihydroborate (**3oa**)



Following the general procedure A, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc/Et₃N (1:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **3oa** as a white solid (79.6 mg, 62% yield). *R*_f = 0.68 (eluent: EtOAc). m.p. 122.8-124.4 °C.

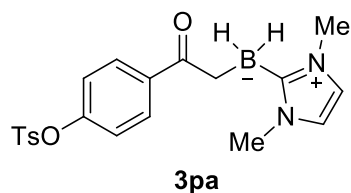
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.00 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 6.87 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 6.76 (s, 2H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 3.61 (s, 6H), 2.40 (s, 2H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 207.0, 162.0, 130.9, 130.3, 120.3, 112.9, 55.2, 35.7.

¹¹B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -27.4 (t, *J* = 89.9 Hz).

HRMS (ESI) calcd for $C_{14}H_{19}BN_2NaO_2^+$ ($[M + Na]^+$): 281.1432, found 281.1442.

(1,3-Dimethyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)(2-oxo-2-(4-(tosyloxy)phenyl)ethyl)dihydroborate (**3pa**)



Following the general procedure A, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc/Et₃N (1:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **3pa** as a colorless oil (106.3 mg, 53% yield). R_f = 0.56 (eluent: EtOAc).

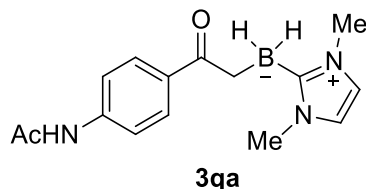
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.95 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.71 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.31 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.00 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.78 (s, 2H), 3.60 (s, 6H), 2.45 (s, 3H), 2.39 (s, 2H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 206.6, 151.7, 145.5, 136.6, 132.2, 130.0, 129.8, 128.4, 121.7, 120.4, 35.8, 21.7.

¹¹B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -27.5 (t, J = 90.4 Hz).

HRMS (ESI) calcd for $C_{20}H_{23}BN_2NaO_4^+$ ($[M + Na]^+$): 421.1364, found 421.1370.

(2-(4-Acetamidophenyl)-2-oxoethyl)(1,3-dimethyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)dihydroborate (**3qa**)



Following the general procedure A, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with CH₂Cl₂/MeOH/Et₃N (15:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **3qa** as a white solid (68.5 mg, 48% yield). R_f = 0.56 (eluent: CH₂Cl₂/MeOH = 10:1, v/v). m.p. 143.8-146.2 °C.

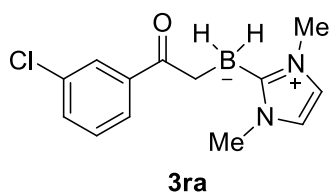
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.03 (s, 1H), 7.97 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.55 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.74 (s, 2H), 3.58 (s, 6H), 2.42 (s, 2H), 2.17 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 207.7, 169.0, 141.4, 133.3, 129.5, 120.4, 118.6, 35.8, 24.5.

¹¹B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -27.4 (t, J = 90.4 Hz).

HRMS (ESI) calcd for $C_{15}H_{20}BN_3NaO_2^+$ ($[M + Na]^+$): 308.1541, found 308.1553.

(2-(3-Chlorophenyl)-2-oxoethyl)(1,3-dimethyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)dihydroborate (**3ra**)



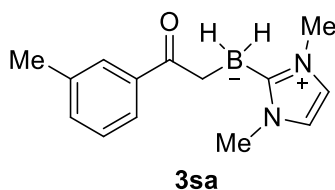
Following the general procedure A, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc/Et₃N (1:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **3ra** as a white solid (70.5 mg, 54% yield). R_f = 0.64 (eluent: EtOAc). m.p. 90.9-92.4°C. α -NHC-boryl ketone **3ra** is a known compound. Its characterization data is consistent with the reported data in the literature.³

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.96 (s, 1H), 7.91 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.42 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.79 (s, 2H), 3.62 (s, 6H), 2.42 (s, 2H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 206.6, 139.6, 134.1, 131.2, 129.3, 128.3, 126.6, 120.4, 35.9.

HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₃H₁₆BClN₂NaO⁺ ([M + Na]⁺): 285.0936, found 285.0945.

(1,3-Dimethyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)(2-oxo-2-(*m*-tolyl)ethyl)dihydroborate (**3sa**)



Following the general procedure A, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc/Et₃N (1:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **3sa** as a colorless oil (69.3 mg, 58% yield). R_f = 0.57 (eluent: EtOAc).

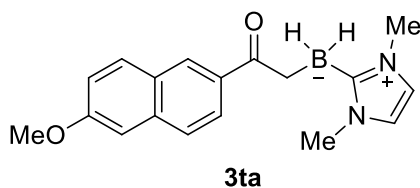
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.83 – 7.81 (m, 2H), 7.28 – 7.26 (m, 2H), 6.77 (s, 2H), 3.61 (s, 6H), 2.44 (s, 2H), 2.38 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 208.6, 138.0, 137.5, 132.1, 128.8, 127.8, 125.6, 120.3, 35.9, 21.4.

¹¹B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -27.5 (t, J = 90.3 Hz).

HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₄H₁₉BN₂NaO⁺ ([M + Na]⁺): 265.1483, found 265.1498.

(1,3-Dimethyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)(2-(6-methoxynaphthalen-2-yl)-2-oxoethyl)dihydroborate (**3ta**)



Following the general procedure A, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc/Et₃N (1:1:0.01,

v/v/v) to afford **3ta** as a white solid (77.2 mg, 50% yield). $R_f = 0.52$ (eluent: EtOAc). m.p. 129.7-131.8 °C.

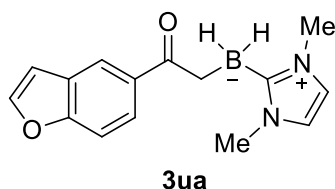
^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.50 (s, 1H), 8.06 (dd, $J = 8.6, 1.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.84 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.71 (d, $J = 8.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.17 – 7.13 (m, 2H), 6.76 (s, 2H), 3.93 (s, 3H), 3.60 (s, 6H), 2.56 (s, 2H).

^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 208.0, 158.9, 136.4, 133.3, 131.0, 129.3, 128.0, 126.2, 125.6, 120.3, 118.9, 105.4, 55.3, 35.9.

^{11}B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -27.3 (t, $J = 90.2$ Hz).

HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{21}\text{BN}_2\text{NaO}_2^+$ ($[\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$): 331.1588, found 331.1600.

(2-(Benzofuran-5-yl)-2-oxoethyl)(1,3-dimethyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)dihydroborate (**3ua**)



Following the general procedure A, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc/ Et_3N (1:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **3ua** as a white solid (57.7 mg, 43% yield). $R_f = 0.52$ (eluent: EtOAc). m.p. 99.7-101.2 °C.

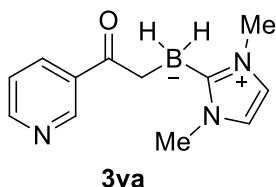
^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.35 (d, $J = 1.0$ Hz, 1H), 8.03 (dd, $J = 8.7, 1.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.64 (d, $J = 2.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.47 (d, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 1H), 6.83 (dd, $J = 2.2, 1.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.77 (s, 2H), 3.61 (s, 6H), 2.51 (s, 2H).

^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 207.8, 156.7, 145.6, 133.4, 127.0, 125.2, 122.5, 120.3, 110.6, 107.3, 35.9.

^{11}B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -27.3 (t, $J = 90.0$ Hz).

HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{17}\text{BN}_2\text{NaO}_2^+$ ($[\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$): 291.1275, found 291.1294.

(1,3-Dimethyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)(2-oxo-2-(pyridin-3-yl)ethyl)dihydroborate (**3va**)



Following the general procedure A, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{MeOH}/\text{Et}_3\text{N}$ (30:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **3va** as a white solid (45.9 mg, 40% yield). $R_f = 0.59$ (eluent: $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{MeOH} = 15:1$, v/v). m.p. 80.3-81.4 °C.

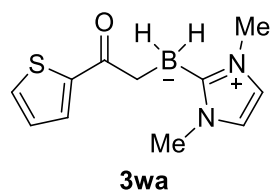
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.20 (d, *J* = 2.2, 1H), 8.66 (dd, *J* = 4.8, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 8.29 (dt, *J* = 7.9, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.34 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 6.79 (s, 2H), 3.62 (s, 6H), 2.43 (s, 2H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 206.5, 151.8, 150.0, 135.7, 132.7, 123.1, 120.5, 35.8.

¹¹B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -27.6 (t, *J* = 90.8 Hz).

HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₅H₁₇BN₂NaO₂⁺ ([M + Na]⁺): 291.1275, found 291.1294.

(1,3-Dimethyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)(2-oxo-2-(thiophen-2-yl)ethyl)dihydroborate
(**3wa**)



Following the general procedure A, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc/Et₃N (1:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **3wa** as a colorless oil (57.8 mg, 50% yield). *R_f* = 0.61 (eluent: AcOEt).

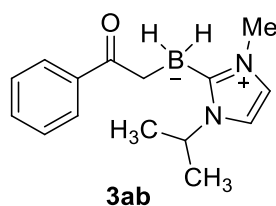
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.70 (dd, *J* = 3.7, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.46 (dd, *J* = 4.9, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (dd, *J* = 4.9, 3.7 Hz, 1H), 6.78 (s, 2H), 3.65 (s, 6H), 2.37 (s, 2H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 201.5, 145.8, 131.03, 130.97, 127.6, 120.4, 35.9.

¹¹B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -27.1 (t, *J* = 90.6 Hz).

HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₁H₁₅BN₂NaOS⁺ ([M + Na]⁺): 257.0890, found 267.0903.

(1-Isopropyl-3-methyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)(2-oxo-2-phenylethyl)dihydroborate
(**3ab**)



Following the general procedure A, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc/Et₃N (3:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **3ab** as a white solid (66.2 mg, 52% yield). *R_f* = 0.50 (eluent: petroleum ether/AcOEt = 1:1, v/v). m.p. 62.2-64.7 °C.

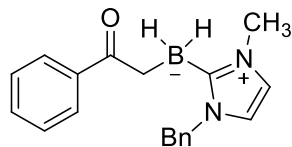
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.02 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.45 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 6.88 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.80 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 4.90 – 4.80 (m, 1H), 3.61 (s, 3H), 2.45 (s, 2H), 1.31 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 6H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 207.7, 137.9, 131.3, 128.3, 127.9, 120.9, 114.9, 49.4, 35.6, 23.0.

^{11}B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -27.4 (t, J = 90.2 Hz).

HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{21}\text{BN}_2\text{NaO}^+$ ($[\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$): 279.1639, found 279.1652.

(1-Benzyl-3-methyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)(2-oxo-2-phenylethyl)dihydroborate (**3ac**)



3ac

Following the general procedure A, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc/Et₃N (3:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **3ac** as a colorless oil (75.4 mg, 49% yield). R_f = 0.53 (eluent: petroleum ether/AcOEt = 1:1, v/v).

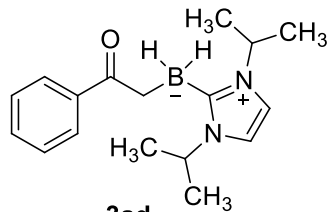
^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.03 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 7.45 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.40 – 7.30 (m, 5H), 7.22 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 6.78 (d, J = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 6.65 (d, J = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 5.18 (s, 2H), 3.65 (s, 3H), 2.49 (s, 2H).

^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 208.1, 137.9, 135.5, 131.4, 128.8, 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 127.9, 120.9, 118.9, 51.9, 35.9.

^{11}B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -27.3 (t, J = 90.5 Hz).

HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{21}\text{BN}_2\text{NaO}^+$ ($[\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$): 327.1639, found 327.1648.

(1,3-Diisopropyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)(2-oxo-2-phenylethyl)dihydroborate (**3ad**)



3ad

Following the general procedure A, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc/Et₃N (5:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **3ad** as a white solid (64.6 mg, 46% yield). R_f = 0.50 (eluent: petroleum ether/AcOEt = 2:1, v/v). m.p. 77.6-80.2 °C.

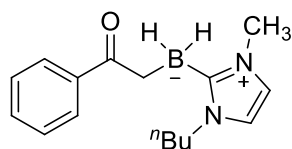
^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.05 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 7.45 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 6.92 (s, 2H), 4.96 – 4.86 (m, 2H), 2.45 (s, 2H), 1.32 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 12H).

^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 207.3, 137.9, 131.3, 128.4, 127.8, 115.5, 49.0, 23.1.

^{11}B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -27.3 (t, J = 90.0 Hz).

HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{25}\text{BN}_2\text{NaO}^+$ ($[\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$): 307.1952, found 307.1967.

(1-Butyl-3-methyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)(2-oxo-2-phenylethyl)dihydroborate (**3ae**)



3ae

Following the general procedure A, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc/Et₃N (3:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **3ae** as a colorless oil (72.8 mg, 54% yield). R_f = 0.50 (eluent: petroleum ether/AcOEt = 1:1, v/v).

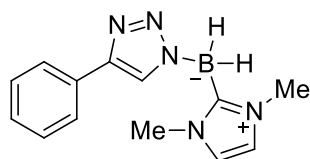
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.02 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.45 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 6.80 (d, J = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 6.78 (d, J = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 3.94 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 3.63 (s, 3H), 2.45 (s, 2H), 1.69 – 1.61 (m, 2H), 1.29 – 1.20 (m, 2H), 0.86 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 208.1, 137.9, 131.3, 128.4, 127.9, 120.5, 118.8, 48.2, 35.8, 32.48, 19.68, 13.5.

¹¹B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -27.4 (t, J = 90.3 Hz).

HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₆H₂₃BN₂NaO⁺ ([M + Na]⁺): 293.1796, found 193.1815.

(1,3-Dimethyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)(4-phenyl-1*H*-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)dihydroborate (**4aa**)



4aa

Following the general procedure C, **1a** and **2a** were used. The crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with CH₂Cl₂/MeOH/Et₃N (40:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **4aa** as a white solid (95.1 mg, 75% yield). R_f = 0.50 (eluent: CH₂Cl₂/MeOH = 20:1, v/v). m.p. 78.9-80.5 °C.

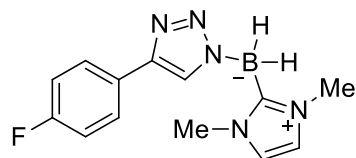
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.82 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.78 (s, 1H), 7.36 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.23 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.86 (s, 2H), 3.75 (s, 6H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 146.3, 132.2, 128.5, 126.9, 125.4, 125.1, 121.2, 36.2.

¹¹B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -19.7 (t, J = 91.8 Hz).

HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₃H₁₇BN₅ ([M + H]⁺): 254.1572, found 254.1584.

(1,3-Dimethyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)(4-(4-fluorophenyl)-1*H*-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)dihydroborate (**4ba**)



4ba

Following the general procedure C, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with CH₂Cl₂/MeOH/Et₃N (40:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **4ba** as a colorless oil (84.3 mg, 62% yield). *R*_f = 0.57 (eluent: CH₂Cl₂/MeOH = 20:1, v/v).

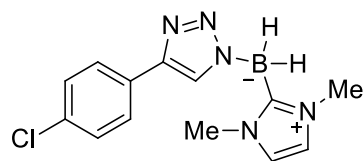
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.77 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 5.6 Hz, 2H), 7.73 (s, 1H), 7.04 (t, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 6.88 (s, 2H), 3.76 (s, 6H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.8 (d, *J* = 245.0 Hz), 145.4, 128.5 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz), 126.9 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz), 124.8, 121.2, 115.3 (d, *J* = 21.4 Hz), 36.2.

¹¹B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -19.7 (t, *J* = 89.3 Hz).

HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C₁₃H₁₆BFN₅⁺ ([*M* + *H*]⁺): 272.1477, found 272.1483.

(4-(4-Chlorophenyl)-1*H*-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)(1,3-dimethyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)dihydroborate (**4ca**)



4ca

Following the general procedure C, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with CH₂Cl₂/MeOH/Et₃N (40:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **4ca** as a white solid (76.1 mg, 53% yield). *R*_f = 0.53 (eluent: CH₂Cl₂/MeOH = 20:1, v/v). m.p. 121.6-123,4 °C.

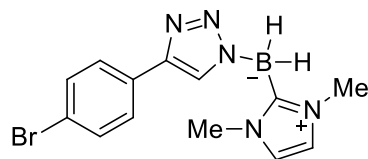
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.75 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 3H), 7.32 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 6.89 (s, 2H), 3.78 (s, 6H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 145.3, 132.4, 130.9, 128.7, 126.6, 125.1, 121.2, 36.3.

¹¹B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -19.7 (t, *J* = 89.1 Hz).

HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₃H₁₆BClN₅⁺ ([*M* + *H*]⁺): 288.1182, found 288.1193.

(4-(4-Bromophenyl)-1*H*-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)(1,3-dimethyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)dihydroborate (**4da**)



4da

Following the general procedure C, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with CH₂Cl₂/MeOH/Et₃N (40:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **4da** as a colorless oil (86.5 mg, 52% yield). *R_f* = 0.53 (eluent: CH₂Cl₂/MeOH = 20:1, v/v).

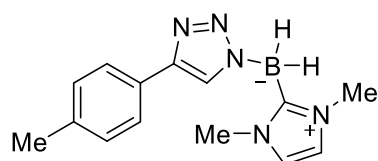
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.78 (s, 1H), 7.70 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.49 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 6.91 (s, 2H), 3.80 (s, 6H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 145.3, 131.7, 131.3, 127.0, 125.2, 121.2, 120.6, 36.3.

¹¹B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -19.6.

HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₃H₁₆BBN₅⁺ ([M + H]⁺): 332.0677, found 332.0679.

(1,3-Dimethyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)(4-(*p*-tolyl)-1*H*-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)dihydroborate (**4ia**)



4ia

Following the general procedure C, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with CH₂Cl₂/MeOH/Et₃N (40:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **4ia** as a colorless oil (68.1 mg, 51% yield). *R_f* = 0.53 (eluent: CH₂Cl₂/MeOH = 20:1, v/v).

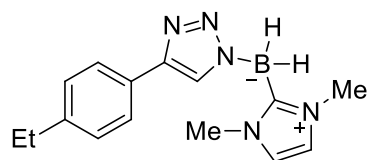
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.76 (s, 1H), 7.73 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.18 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 6.90 (s, 2H), 3.79 (s, 6H), 2.35 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 146.3, 136.5, 129.4, 129.2, 125.3, 124.8, 121.2, 36.2, 22.0.

¹¹B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -19.7 (t, *J* = 90.1 Hz).

HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C₁₄H₁₉BN₅⁺ ([M + H]⁺): 268.1728, found 268.1730.

(1,3-Dimethyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)(4-(4-ethylphenyl)-1*H*-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)dihydroborate (**4ja**)



4ja

Following the general procedure C, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with CH₂Cl₂/MeOH/Et₃N (40:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **4ja** as a colorless oil (88.7 mg, 63% yield). *R_f* = 0.53 (eluent: CH₂Cl₂/MeOH = 20:1, v/v).

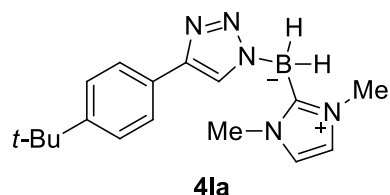
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.74 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 3H), 7.21 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 6.88 (s, 2H), 3.77 (s, 6H), 2.64 (q, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 1.24 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 146.4, 143.0, 130.0, 128.0, 125.4, 124.9, 121.2, 36.2, 28.6, 15.5.

¹¹B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -19.7 (t, *J* = 88.0 Hz).

HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₅H₂₁BN₅⁺ ([M + H]⁺): 282.1885, found 282.1886.

(4-(4-(*tert*-Butyl)phenyl)-1*H*-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)(1,3-dimethyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl) dihydroborate (**4la**)



Following the general procedure C, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with CH₂Cl₂/MeOH/Et₃N (40:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **4la** as a colorless oil (91.0 mg, 59% yield). *R*_f = 0.53 (eluent: CH₂Cl₂/MeOH = 20:1, v/v).

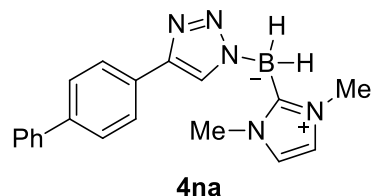
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.76 (s, 1H), 7.76 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.40 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.89 (s, 2H), 3.77 (s, 6H), 1.33 (s, 9H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 149.8, 146.3, 129.5, 125.5, 125.2, 124.9, 121.2, 36.2, 34.5, 31.3.

¹¹B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -19.6.

HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₇H₂₅BN₅⁺ ([M + H]⁺): 310.2198, found 310.2202.

(4-([1,1'-Biphenyl]-4-yl)-1*H*-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)(1,3-dimethyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl) dihydroborate (**4na**)



Following the general procedure C, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with CH₂Cl₂/MeOH/Et₃N (40:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **4na** as a white solid (87.3 mg, 53% yield). *R*_f = 0.50 (eluent: CH₂Cl₂/MeOH = 20:1, v/v). m.p. 156.8-158.7 °C.

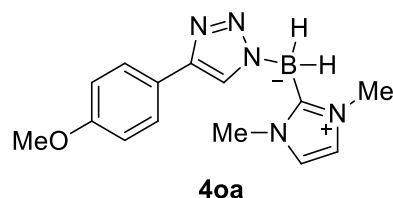
¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.91 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.84 (s, 1H), 7.63 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 4H), 7.43 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.33 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.89 (s, 2H), 3.80 (s, 6H).

¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 146.0, 140.9, 139.6, 131.4, 128.8, 127.3, 127.1, 126.9, 125.8, 125.3, 121.3, 36.3.

^{11}B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -19.6.

HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{21}\text{BN}_5^+$ ($[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$): 330.1885, found 330.1895.

(1,3-Dimethyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)(4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1*H*-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)dihydroborate (**4oa**)



Following the general procedure C, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{MeOH}/\text{Et}_3\text{N}$ (40:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **4oa** as a colorless oil (76.9 mg, 54% yield). $R_f = 0.50$ (eluent: $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{MeOH} = 20:1$, v/v).

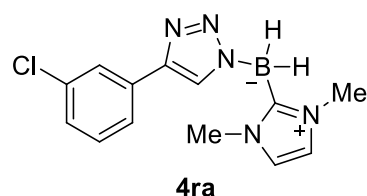
^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.74 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 2H), 7.71 (s, 1H), 6.91 (d, $J = 8.9$ Hz, 2H), 6.90 (s, 2H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.79 (s, 6H).

^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 158.7, 146.1, 126.7, 125.1, 124.4, 121.2, 114.0, 55.2, 36.2.

^{11}B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -19.6 (t, $J = 87.8$ Hz).

HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{18}\text{BN}_5\text{NaO}^+$ ($[\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$): 306.1497, found 306.1499.

(4-(3-Chlorophenyl)-1*H*-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)(1,3-dimethyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)dihydroborate (**4ra**)



Following the general procedure C, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{MeOH}/\text{Et}_3\text{N}$ (40:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **4ra** as a colorless oil (74.5 mg, 52% yield). $R_f = 0.53$ (eluent: $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{MeOH} = 20:1$, v/v).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.82 (s, 1H), 7.79 (s, 1H), 7.71 (d, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.31 – 7.26 (m, 1H), 7.20 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 6.91 (s, 2H), 3.80 (s, 6H).

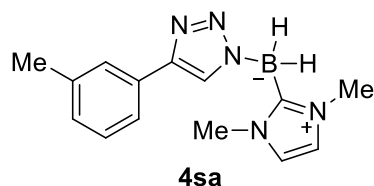
^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 145.1, 134.4, 134.1, 129.8, 126.8, 125.4, 123.5, 121.2, 36.3.

^{11}B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -19.7 (t, $J = 84.3$ Hz).

HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{16}\text{BClN}_5^+$ ($[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$): 288.1182, found 288.1186.

(1,3-Dimethyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)(4-(*m*-tolyl)-1*H*-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)dihydroborate

ate (**4sa**)



Following the general procedure C, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with CH₂Cl₂/MeOH/Et₃N (40:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **4sa** as a colorless oil (81.7 mg, 61% yield). *R_f* = 0.53 (eluent: CH₂Cl₂/MeOH = 20:1, v/v).

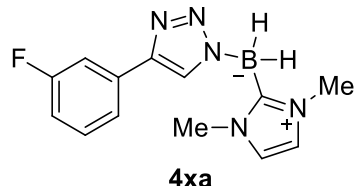
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.77 (s, 1H), 7.67 (s, 1H), 7.60 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.25 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.06 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.89 (s, 2H), 3.77 (s, 6H), 2.37 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 146.4, 138.1, 132.1, 128.4, 127.7, 126.1, 125.1, 122.5, 121.2, 36.2, 21.4.

¹¹B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -19.6 (t, *J* = 88.6 Hz).

HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C₁₄H₁₉BN₅⁺ ([*M* + *H*]⁺): 268.1728, found 268.1733.

(1,3-Dimethyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)(4-(3-fluorophenyl)-1*H*-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)dihydroborate (**4xa**)



Following the general procedure C, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with CH₂Cl₂/MeOH/Et₃N (40:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **4xa** as a colorless oil (80.2 mg, 59% yield). *R_f* = 0.57 (eluent: CH₂Cl₂/MeOH = 20:1, v/v).

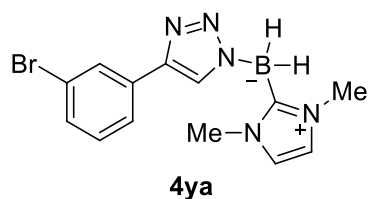
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.80 (s, 1H), 7.59 (dt, *J* = 7.7, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.57 – 7.53 (m, 1H), 7.35 – 7.30 (m, 1H), 6.95 – 6.90 (m, 3H), 3.82 (s, 6H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 163.2 (d, *J* = 244.3 Hz), 145.4 (d, *J* = 2.6 Hz), 134.6 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz), 130.0 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz), 125.4, 121.2, 121.0 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz), 113.6 (d, *J* = 21.3 Hz), 112.2 (d, *J* = 22.7 Hz), 36.3.

¹¹B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -19.7 (t, *J* = 89.8 Hz).

HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C₁₃H₁₆BFN₅⁺ ([*M* + *H*]⁺): 272.1477, found 272.1484.

(4-(3-Bromophenyl)-1*H*-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)(1,3-dimethyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)dihydroborate (**4ya**)



Following the general procedure C, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with CH₂Cl₂/MeOH/Et₃N (40:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **4ya** as a white solid (79.4 mg, 48% yield). *R_f* = 0.53 (eluent: CH₂Cl₂/MeOH = 20:1, v/v). m.p. 94.8-96.9 °C.

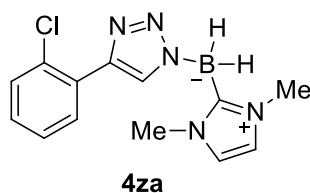
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.97 (t, *J* = 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.79 (s, 1H), 7.77 (dt, *J* = 7.7, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (ddd, *J* = 7.9, 2.0, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.23 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (s, 2H), 3.81 (s, 6H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 145.0, 134.4, 130.1, 129.7, 128.3, 125.4, 123.9, 122.7, 121.2, 36.3.

¹¹B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -19.7 (t, *J* = 93.5 Hz).

HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₃H₁₆BBBrN₅⁺ ([M + H]⁺): 332.0677, found 332.0684.

(4-(2-Chlorophenyl)-1*H*-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)(1,3-dimethyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)dihydroborate (**4za**)



Following the general procedure C, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with CH₂Cl₂/MeOH/Et₃N (35:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **4za** as a white solid (72.1 mg, 50% yield). *R_f* = 0.63 (eluent: CH₂Cl₂/MeOH = 15:1, v/v). m.p. 100.8-102.4 °C.

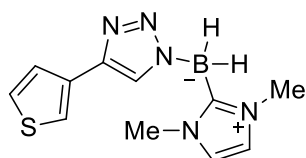
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.21 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 8.18 (s, 1H), 7.40 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.30 (td, *J* = 7.8, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.18 (td, *J* = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 6.90 (s, 2H), 3.80 (s, 6H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 142.7, 130.9, 130.9, 130.0, 129.7, 128.7, 127.8, 126.8, 121.2, 36.3.

¹¹B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -19.7 (t, *J* = 88.5 Hz).

HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₃H₁₆BClN₅⁺ ([M + H]⁺): 288.1182, found 288.1188.

(1,3-Dimethyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)(4-(thiophen-3-yl)-1*H*-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)dihydroborate (**4aaa**)



4aaa

Following the general procedure C, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with CH₂Cl₂/MeOH/Et₃N (35:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **4aaa** as a colorless oil (74.3 mg, 57% yield). *R_f* = 0.66 (eluent: CH₂Cl₂/MeOH = 15:1, v/v).

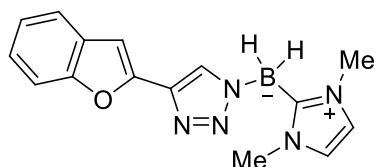
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.68 (s, 1H), 7.58 (d, *J* = 2.9 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (d, *J* = 5.0 Hz, 1H), 7.32 (dd, *J* = 5.0, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 6.89 (s, 2H), 3.77 (s, 6H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 142.5, 133.5, 126.1, 125.6, 125.0, 121.2, 119.3, 36.2.

¹¹B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -19.7 (t, *J* = 88.8 Hz).

HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₁H₁₅BN₅S⁺ ([M + H]⁺): 260.1136, found 260.1140.

(4-(Benzofuran-2-yl)-1*H*-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)(1,3-dimethyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)dihydroborate (**4bba**)



4bba

Following the general procedure C, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with CH₂Cl₂/MeOH/Et₃N (40:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **4bba** as a colorless oil (65.8 mg, 45% yield). *R_f* = 0.57 (eluent: CH₂Cl₂/MeOH = 20:1, v/v).

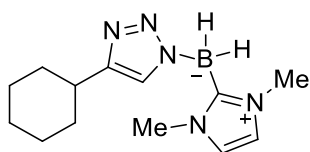
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.93 (s, 1H), 7.57 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.24 – 7.19 (m, 2H), 7.11 (s, 1H), 6.93 (s, 2H), 3.83 (s, 6H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 154.4, 150.1, 138.7, 129.2, 126.1, 123.6, 122.7, 121.3, 120.8, 110.9, 101.0, 36.3.

¹¹B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -19.6 (t, *J* = 89.2 Hz).

HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₅H₁₇BN₅O⁺ ([M + H]⁺): 294.1521, found 294.1525.

(4-Cyclohexyl-1*H*-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)(1,3-dimethyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)dihydroborate (**4cca**)



4cca

Following the general procedure C, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with CH₂Cl₂/MeOH/Et₃N (40:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **4cca** as a colorless oil (72.8 mg, 56% yield). *R_f* = 0.58 (eluent: CH₂Cl₂/MeOH = 15:1, v/v).

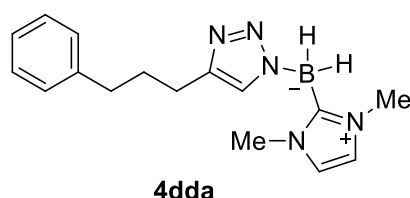
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¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 152.2, 124.5, 121.1, 36.2, 35.3, 33.4, 26.3, 26.2.

¹¹B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -19.8 (t, *J* = 92.0 Hz).

HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₃H₂₃BN₅⁺ ([M + H]⁺): 260.2041, found 260.2050.

(1,3-Dimethyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)(4-(3-phenylpropyl)-1*H*-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)dihydroborate (**4dda**)



Following the general procedure C, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with CH₂Cl₂/MeOH/Et₃N (40:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **4dda** as a colorless oil (71.7 mg, 49% yield). *R_f* = 0.58 (eluent: CH₂Cl₂/MeOH = 15:1, v/v).

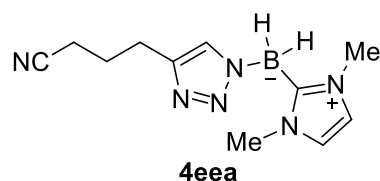
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.29 – 7.25 (m, 3H), 7.20 – 7.14 (m, 3H), 6.89 (s, 1H), 3.75 (s, 6H), 2.73 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.67 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.02 – 1.94 (m, 1H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 146.3, 142.4, 128.5, 128.2, 126.1, 125.6, 121.1, 36.2, 35.5, 31.6, 25.2.

¹¹B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -19.7 (t, *J* = 88.4 Hz).

HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₆H₂₃BN₅⁺ ([M + H]⁺): 296.2041, found 296.2044.

(4-(3-Cyanopropyl)-1*H*-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)(1,3-dimethyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)dihydroborate (**4eea**)



Following the general procedure C, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with CH₂Cl₂/MeOH/Et₃N (30:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **4eea** as a colorless oil (62.3 mg, 51% yield). *R_f* = 0.54 (eluent: CH₂Cl₂/MeOH = 15:1, v/v).

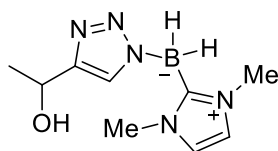
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.34 (s, 1H), 6.92 (s, 2H), 3.79 (s, 6H), 2.84 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.41 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.08 – 2.01 (m, 2H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 143.9, 126.5, 121.2, 119.8, 36.3, 25.4, 24.2, 16.4.

¹¹B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -19.8 (t, *J* = 91.8 Hz).

HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₁H₁₈BN₆⁺ ([M + H]⁺): 245.1681, found 245.1684.

(1,3-Dimethyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)(4-(1-hydroxyethyl)-1*H*-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)dihydroborate (**4ffa**)



4ffa

Following the general procedure C, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with CH₂Cl₂/MeOH/Et₃N (10:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **4ffa** as a colorless oil (63.5 mg, 57% yield). *R_f* = 0.66 (eluent: CH₂Cl₂/MeOH = 5:1, v/v).

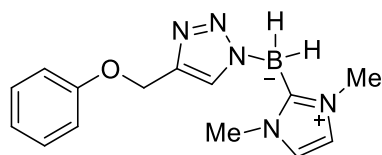
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.43 (s, 1H), 6.91 (s, 2H), 5.03 (q, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 3.75 (s, 6H), 1.53 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 150.8, 125.0, 121.3, 62.9, 36.2, 23.0.

¹¹B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -19.6.

HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₉H₁₇BN₅O⁺ ([M + H]⁺): 222.1521, found 222.1526.

(1,3-dimethyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)(4-(phoxymethyl)-1*H*-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)dihydroborate (**4gga**)



4gga

Following the general procedure C, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with CH₂Cl₂/MeOH/Et₃N (40:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **4gga** as a colorless oil (86.6 mg, 61% yield). *R_f* = 0.61 (eluent: CH₂Cl₂/MeOH = 15:1, v/v).

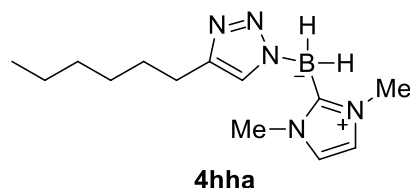
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.58 (s, 1H), 7.24 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 6.98 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 6.90 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.87 (s, 2H), 5.17 (s, 2H), 3.72 (s, 6H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.6, 142.4, 129.3, 128.0, 121.2, 120.7, 114.9, 62.3, 36.2.

¹¹B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -19.7 (t, *J* = 89.9 Hz).

HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₄H₁₉BN₅O⁺ ([M + H]⁺): 284.1677, found 284.1683.

(1,3-Dimethyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)(4-hexyl-1*H*-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)dihydroborate (**4hha**)



Following the general procedure C, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with CH₂Cl₂/MeOH/Et₃N (40:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **4hha** as a colorless oil (71.9 mg, 56% yield). *R_f* = 0.61 (eluent: CH₂Cl₂/MeOH = 15:1, v/v).

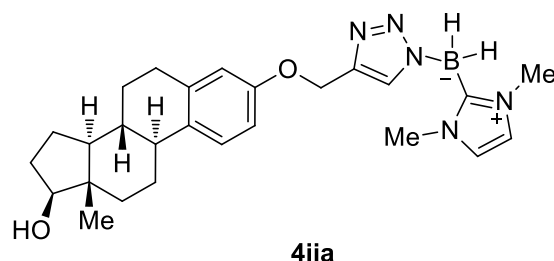
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.27 (s, 1H), 6.89 (s, 2H), 3.75 (s, 6H), 2.67 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 1.66 – 1.59 (m, 2H), 1.38 – 1.27 (m, 6H), 0.86 (t, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 146.8, 126.0, 121.1, 36.2, 31.7, 29.8, 29.1, 25.7, 22.6, 14.1.

¹¹B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -19.8 (t, *J* = 90.7 Hz).

HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₃H₂₅BN₅⁺ ([M + H]⁺): 262.2198, found 262.2212.

(1,3-Dimethyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)(4-((((8*R*,9*S*,13*S*,14*S*,17*S*)-17-hydroxy-13-methyl-7,8,9,11,12,13,14,15,16,17-decahydro-6*H*-cyclopenta[*a*]phenanthren-3-yl)oxy)methyl)-1*H*-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)dihydroborate (**4iia**)



Following the general procedure C, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with CH₂Cl₂/MeOH/Et₃N (30:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **4iia** as a white solid (96.6 mg, 42% yield). *R_f* = 0.50 (eluent: CH₂Cl₂/MeOH = 20:1, v/v). m.p. 212.7-214.1 °C.

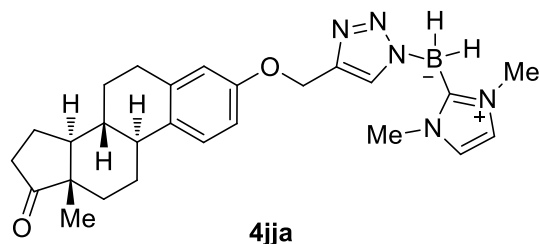
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.59 (s, 1H), 7.18 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 6.90 (s, 2H), 6.81 (dd, *J* = 8.6, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 6.74 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 5.16 (s, 2H), 3.78 (s, 6H), 3.73 (t, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 2.86 – 2.82 (m, 2H), 2.33 – 2.27 (m, 1H), 2.21 – 2.07 (m, 2H), 1.96 – 1.91 (m, 1H), 1.89 – 1.83 (m, 1H), 1.73 – 1.65 (m, 2H), 1.53 – 1.14 (m, 6H), 0.77 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.6, 142.6, 137.8, 132.7, 127.9, 126.2, 121.2, 114.8, 112.3, 81.8, 62.4, 50.0, 43.9, 43.2, 38.8, 36.7, 36.3, 30.5, 29.8, 27.2, 26.3, 23.1, 11.0.

¹¹B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -19.6.

HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₂₆H₃₇BN₅O₂⁺ ([M + H]⁺): 462.3035, found 462.3140.

(1,3-Dimethyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)(4-((((8*R*,9*S*,13*S*,14*S*)-13-methyl-17-oxo-7,8,9,11,12,13,14,15,16,17-decahydro-6*H*-cyclopenta[*a*]phenanthren-3-yl)oxy)methyl)-1*H*-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)dihydroborate (**4jja**)



Following the general procedure C, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with CH₂Cl₂/MeOH/Et₃N (30:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **4jja** as a white solid (77.9 mg, 34% yield). *R*_f = 0.58 (eluent: CH₂Cl₂/MeOH = 15:1, v/v). m.p. 98.8-100.4 °C.

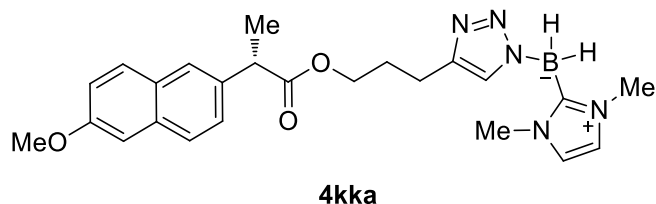
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.60 (s, 1H), 7.18 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 6.90 (s, 2H), 6.82 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 6.75 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 5.17 (s, 2H), 3.78 (s, 6H), 2.90 – 2.87 (m, 2H), 2.53 – 2.46 (m, 1H), 2.41 – 2.36 (m, 1H), 2.26 – 2.21 (m, 1H), 2.18 – 1.93 (m, 4H), 1.65 – 1.37 (m, 6H), 0.90 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 221.1, 156.7, 142.6, 137.6, 132.0, 127.9, 126.2, 121.2, 114.8, 112.5, 62.4, 50.4, 48.0, 44.0, 38.3, 36.3, 35.9, 31.5, 29.6, 26.5, 25.9, 21.6, 13.8.

¹¹B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -19.6.

HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₂₆H₃₅BN₅O₂⁺ ([M + H]⁺): 460.2878, found 460.2886.

(*S*)-(1,3-Dimethyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)(4-(3-((2-(6-methoxynaphthalen-2-yl)prop-1-yn-1-yl)oxy)propyl)-1*H*-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)dihydroborate (**4kka**)



Following the general procedure C, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with CH₂Cl₂/MeOH/Et₃N (30:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **4kka** as a colorless oil (97.5 mg, 44% yield). *R*_f = 0.57 (eluent: CH₂Cl₂/MeOH = 15:1, v/v). m.p. 98.8-100.4 °C.

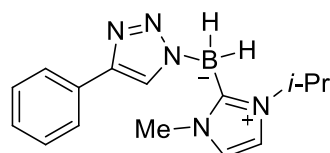
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.71 (s, 1H), 7.69 (s, 1H), 7.67 (d, *J* = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.14 – 7.11 (m, 3H), 6.86 (s, 2H), 4.12 – 4.05 (m, 2H), 3.90 (s, 3H), 3.85 (q, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 3.70 (s, 6H), 2.65 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 1.98 – 1.91 (m, 2H), 1.57 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 174.7, 157.5, 145.1, 135.8, 133.6, 129.3, 128.9, 127.1, 126.3, 126.3, 125.9, 121.1, 118.9, 105.6, 64.2, 55.3, 45.5, 36.1, 28.6, 21.8, 18.4.

¹¹B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -19.8 (t, *J* = 89.2 Hz).

HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₂₄H₃₁BN₅O₃⁺: ([M + H]⁺): 448.2514, found 448.2520.

(3-Isopropyl-1-methyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)(4-phenyl-1*H*-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)dihydroborate (**4ab**)



4ab

Following the general procedure C, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with CH₂Cl₂/MeOH/Et₃N (40:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **4ab** as a colorless oil (89.4 mg, 64% yield). *R_f* = 0.66 (eluent: CH₂Cl₂/MeOH = 15:1, v/v).

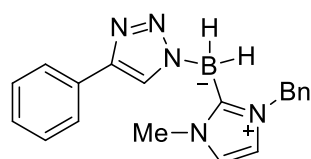
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.84 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.77 (s, 1H), 7.37 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.24 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.02 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.93 (d, *J* = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 5.22 – 5.15 (m, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 1.38 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 6H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 146.3, 132.4, 128.5, 126.8, 125.4, 124.9, 121.8, 115.7, 50.4, 36.1, 23.1.

¹¹B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -19.8 (t, *J* = 88.8 Hz).

HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₅H₂₁BN₅⁺ ([M + H]⁺): 282.1885, found 282.1894.

(1-Benzyl-3-methyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)(4-phenyl-1*H*-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)dihydroborate (**4ac**)



4ac

Following the general procedure C, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with CH₂Cl₂/MeOH/Et₃N (40:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **4ac** as a colorless oil (75.9 mg, 46% yield). *R_f* = 0.57 (eluent: CH₂Cl₂/MeOH = 20:1, v/v).

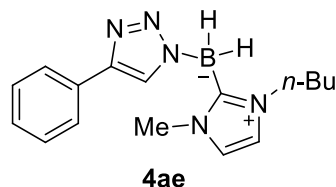
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.83 – 7.80 (m, 2H), 7.71 (s, 1H), 7.39 – 7.30 (m, 4H), 7.26 – 7.22 (m, 1H), 7.20 – 7.17 (m, 2H), 6.91 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.80 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 5.41 (s, 2H), 3.84 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 146.2, 135.0, 132.3, 129.0, 128.5, 128.4, 128.0, 126.8, 125.4, 125.1, 121.8, 119.9, 52.5, 36.3.

^{11}B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -19.6 (t, J = 88.8 Hz).

HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{21}\text{BN}_5^+$ ($[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$): 330.1885, found 330.1893.

(3-Butyl-1-methyl-1*H*-imidazol-3-ium-2-yl)(4-phenyl-1*H*-1,2,3-triazol-1-yl)dihydroborate (**4ae**)



Following the general procedure C, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{MeOH}/\text{Et}_3\text{N}$ (40:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **4ae** as a colorless oil (78.3 mg, 53% yield). R_f = 0.50 (eluent: $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{MeOH}$ = 20:1, v/v).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.84 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.79 (s, 1H), 7.37 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.24 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (d, J = 4.4 Hz, 2H), 4.17 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 1.73 – 1.66 (m, 2H), 1.36 – 1.25 (m, 2H), 0.90 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H).

^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 146.3, 132.4, 128.5, 126.8, 125.4, 125.0, 121.4, 119.8, 49.0, 36.2, 32.6, 19.6, 13.5.

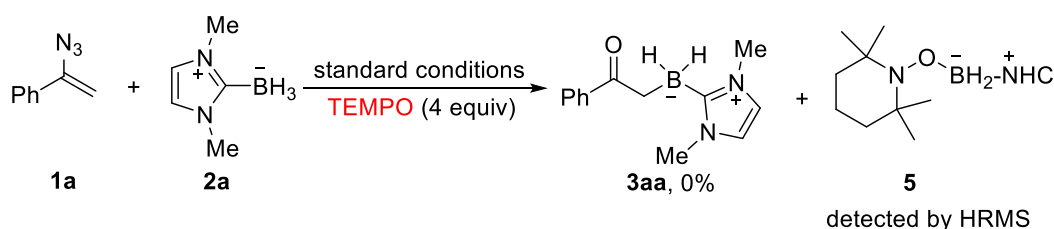
^{11}B NMR (160 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -19.7 (t, J = 88.5 Hz).

HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{23}\text{BN}_5^+$ ($[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$): 296.2041, found 296.2056.

6. Control Experiments

6.1 Radical inhibition experiments (Scheme S7)

equation 1



Followed the general procedure A, to a mixture of vinyl azide **1a** (218.0 mg, 1.5 mmol, 3.0 equiv), NHC-BH₃ **2a** (55.0 mg, 0.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv), *t*-BuSH (85 μL , 0.75 mmol, 1.5 equiv), and Cs_2CO_3 (81.5 mg, 0.25 mmol, 0.5 equiv) in 1-butanol (5 mL) was added TEMPO (312.5 mg, 2.0 mmol, 4.0 equiv). The reaction mixture was then stirred at 60 $^\circ\text{C}$ for 10 h. The NHC-borane-captured TEMPO **5** was detected by HRMS analysis (HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{29}\text{BN}_3\text{O}^+$ ($[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$): 266.2398, found 266.2405), whereas the desired product **3aa** was not observed according to HRMS analysis. 65% of **1a** (141.2 mg) and 33% of **2a** (18.1 mg) were recovered by column flash chromatography on silica gel.

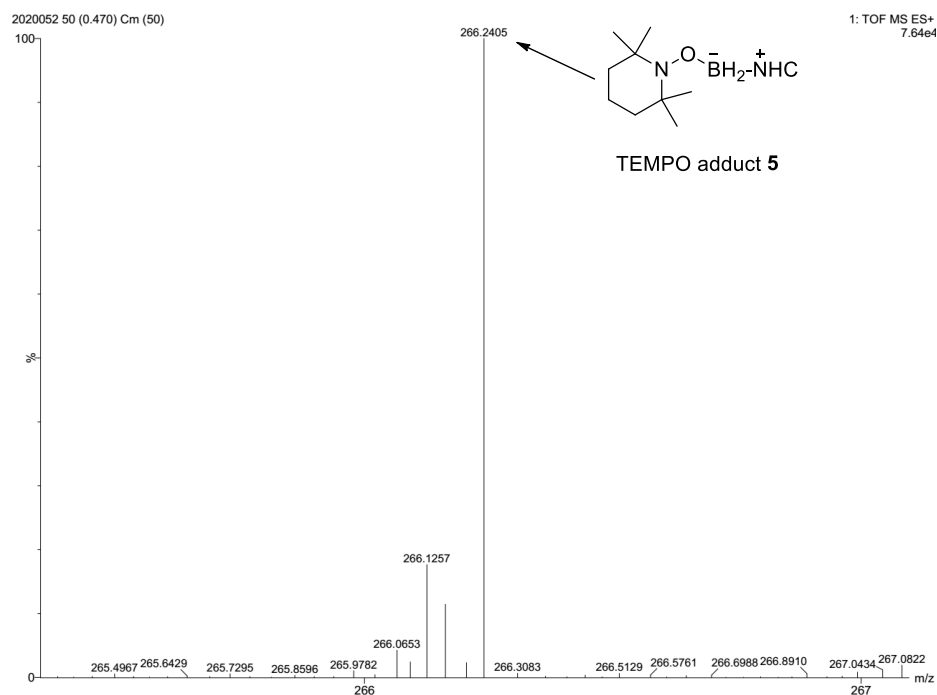
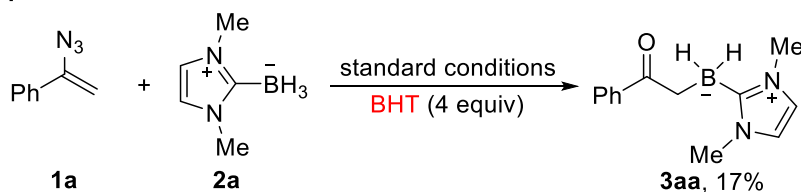


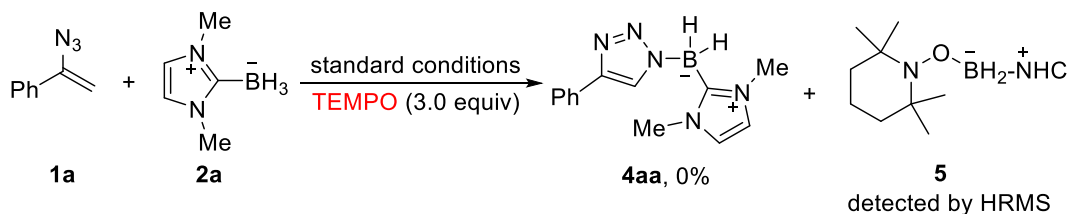
Figure S1. HRMS (ESI) spectrum for product **5**.

equation 2



Followed the general procedure A, to a mixture of vinyl azide **1a** (218.0 mg, 1.5 mmol, 3.0 equiv), NHC-BH₃ **2a** (55.0 mg, 0.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv), ^tBuSH (85 μ L, 0.75 mmol, 1.5 equiv), and Cs₂CO₃ (81.5 mg, 0.25 mmol, 0.5 equiv) in 1-butanol (5 mL) was added BHT (440.8 mg, 2.0 mmol, 4.0 equiv). The reaction mixture was then stirred at 60 °C for 10 h. Product **3aa** was obtained as a white solid (19.2 mg, 17%).

equation 3



Followed the general procedure C, to a mixture of vinyl azide **1a** (145.2 mg, 1.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv), NHC-BH₃ **2a** (55.0 mg, 0.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv), ^tBuSH (57 μ L, 0.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv), and AIBN (98.5 mg, 0.6 mmol, 1.2 equiv) in CH₃OH (5 mL) was added TEMPO (234.3 mg, 1.5 mmol, 3.0 equiv). The reaction mixture was then stirred at 60 °C for 12 h. The NHC-borane-captured TEMPO **5** was detected by HRMS analysis (HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₄H₂₉BN₃O⁺ ([M + H]⁺): 266.2398, found

266.2412), whereas the desired product **4aa** was not observed according to HRMS analysis. 63% of **1a** (91.8 mg) and 39% of **2a** (21.6 mg) were recovered by column flash chromatography on silica gel.

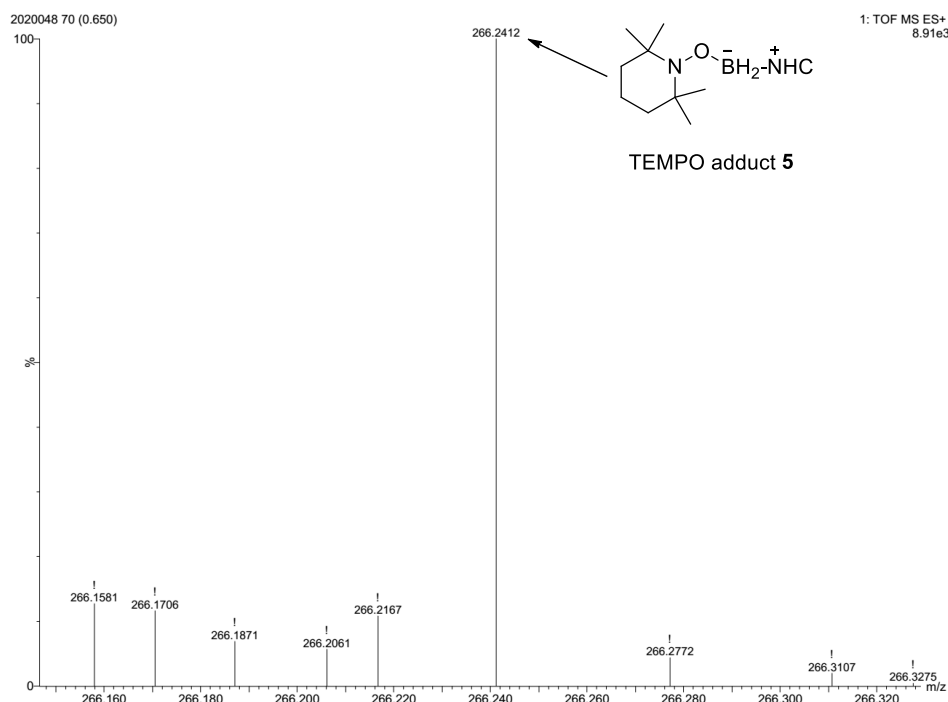
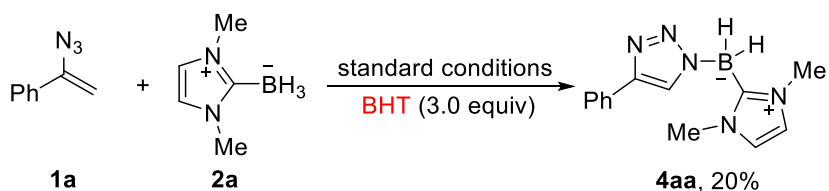


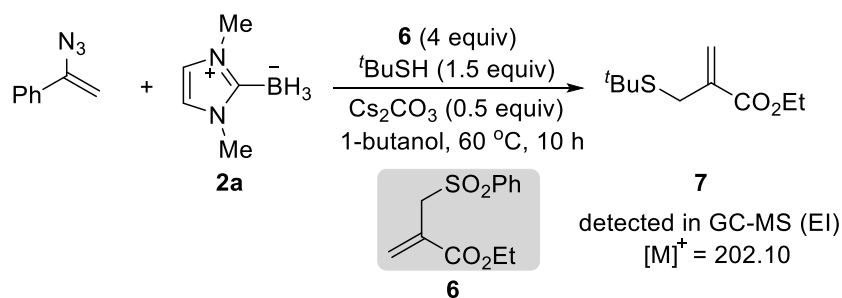
Figure S2. HRMS (ESI) spectrum for product **5**.

equation 4



Followed the general procedure C, to a mixture of vinyl azide **1a** (145.2 mg, 1.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv), NHC-BH₃ **2a** (55.0 mg, 0.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv), ^tBuSH (57 μ L, 0.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv), and AIBN (98.5 mg, 0.6 mmol, 1.2 equiv) in CH₃OH (5 mL) was added BHT (330.6 mg, 1.5 mmol, 3.0 equiv). The reaction mixture was then stirred at 60 °C for 12 h. Product **4aa** was obtained as a white solid (25.8 mg, 20%).

6.2 Radical trapping experiment (Scheme S8)



Followed the general procedure A, to a mixture of vinyl azide **1a** (87.5 mg, 0.3 mmol, 3.0 equiv), NHC-BH₃ **2a** (22.0 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), ^tBuSH (34 μL, 0.3 mmol, 1.5 equiv), and Cs₂CO₃ (32.6 mg, 0.1 mmol, 0.5 equiv) in 1-butanol (2 mL) was added ethyl 2-((phenylsulfonyl)methyl)propenoate **6** (203.5 mg, 0.8 mmol, 4.0 equiv). The reaction mixture was then stirred at 60 °C for 10 h. The thiol-captured olefin **7** was detected by GC-MS analysis (GC-MS (EI) calcd for C₁₀H₁₈O₂S⁺ ([M]⁺): 202.10, found 202.04), whereas the desired product **3aa** was not observed.

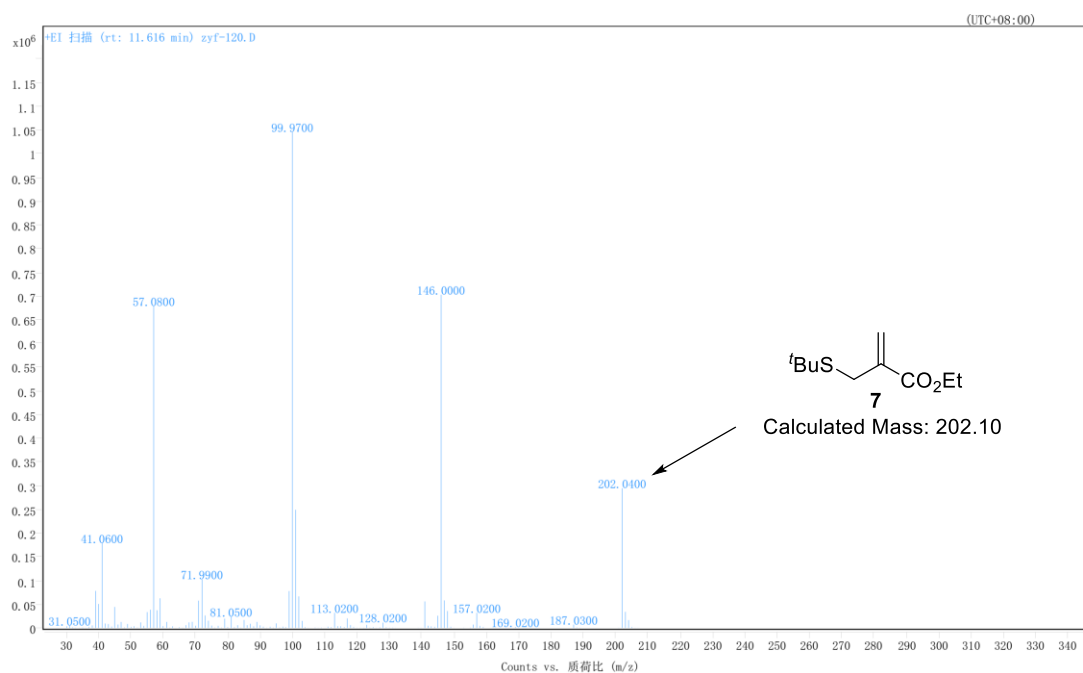
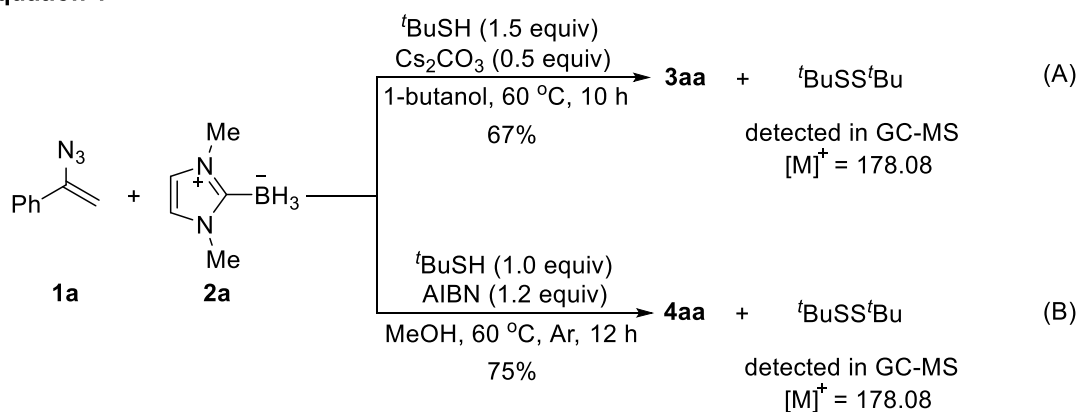


Figure S3. GC-MS (EI) spectrum for product **7**.

6.3 Reaction of **1a** with **2a** using ^tBuSS^tBu instead of ^tBuSH (Scheme S8)

equation 1



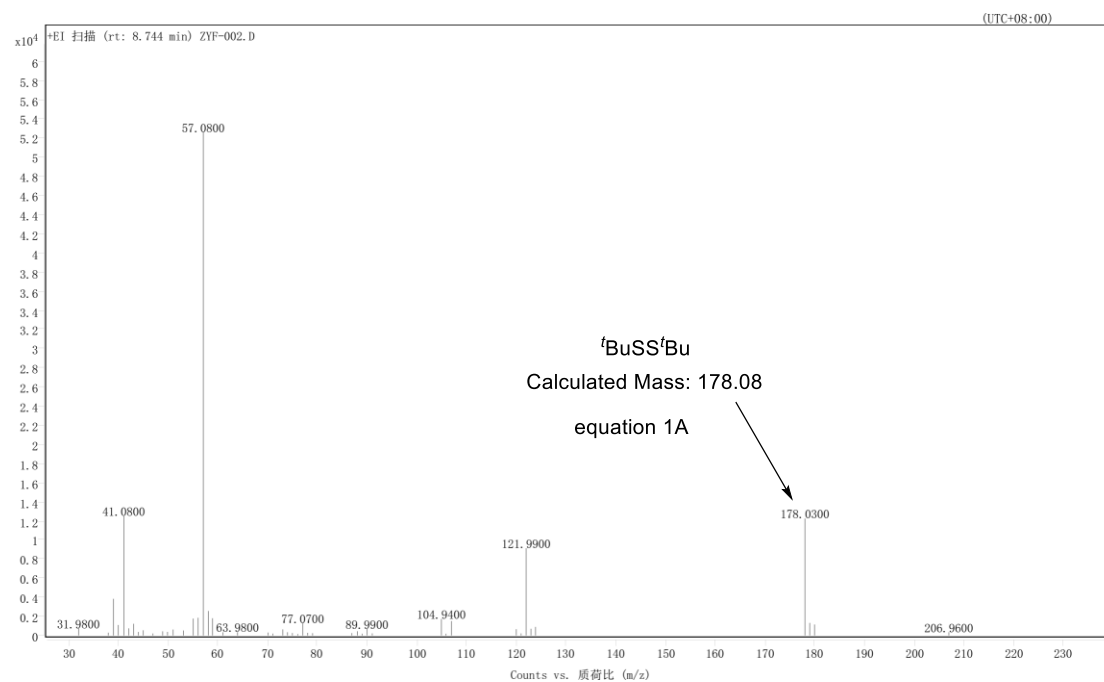


Figure S4. GC-MS (EI) spectra for disulfide.

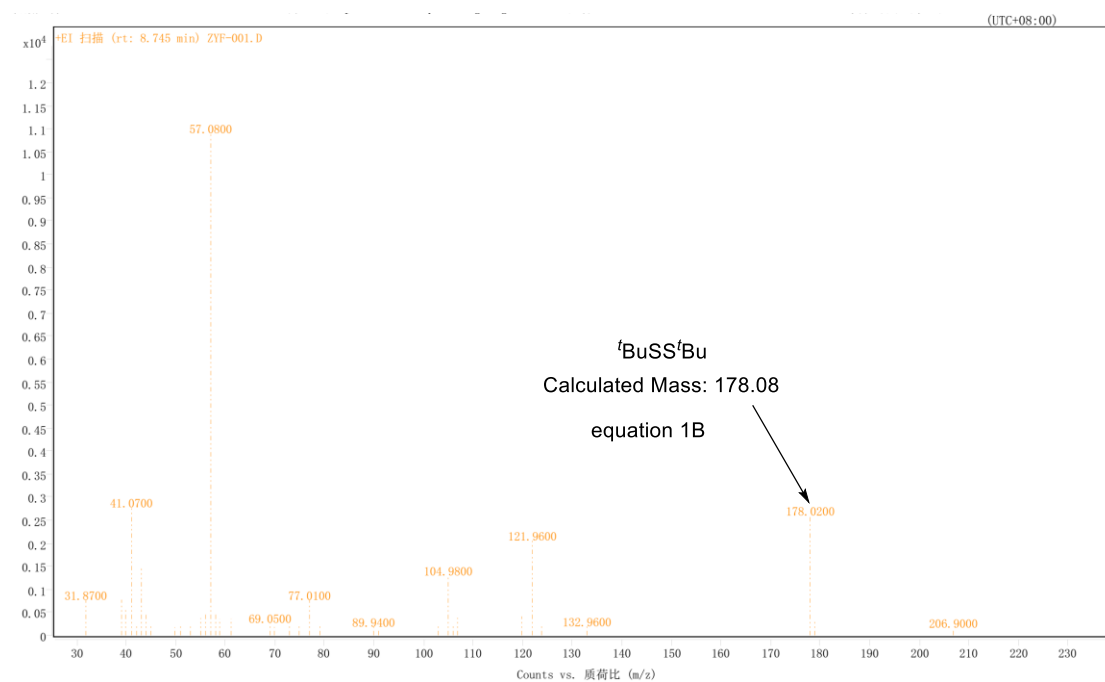
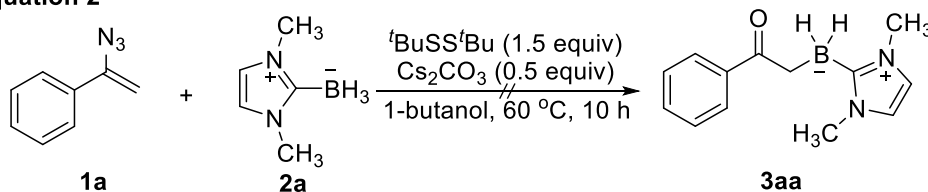


Figure S5. GC-MS (EI) spectrum for disulfide.

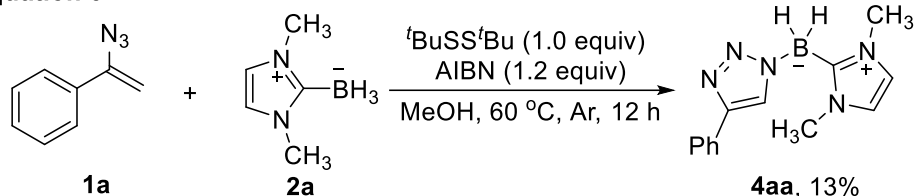
equation 2



Followed the general procedure A, to a mixture of vinyl azide **1a** (218.0 mg, 1.5

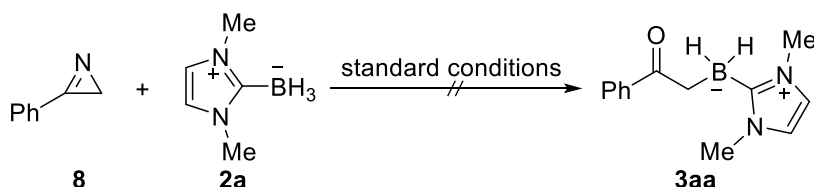
mmol, 3.0 equiv), NHC-BH₃ **2a** (55.0 mg, 0.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv), and Cs₂CO₃ (81.5 mg, 0.25 mmol, 0.5 equiv) in 1-butanol (5 mL) was added ^tBuSS^tBu (145 μL, 0.75 mmol, 1.5 equiv). The reaction mixture was then stirred at 60 °C for 10 h. The desired product **3aa** was not detected by TLC and HRMS analyses, and 93% of **2a** was recovered by column flash chromatography on silica gel.

equation 3



Followed the general procedure C, to a mixture of vinyl azide **1a** (145.2 mg, 1.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv), NHC-BH₃ **2a** (55.0 mg, 0.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv), and AIBN (98.5 mg, 0.6 mmol, 1.2 equiv) in CH₃OH (5 mL) was added ^tBuSS^tBu (97 μL, 0.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv). The reaction mixture was then stirred at 60 °C for 12 h. The crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with CH₂Cl₂/MeOH/Et₃N (40:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford **4aa** as a white solid (16.7 mg, 13% yield) with the recovery of 53% of **2a**.

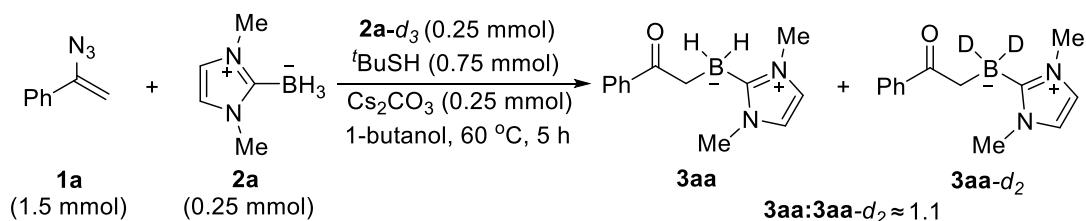
6.4 Reaction of 2*H*-azirine **8** with **2a** under standard conditions (Scheme S9)



Followed the general procedure A, 2*H*-azirine **6** was used as a substrate instead of vinyl azide **1a**. A mixture of **6** (175.6 mg, 1.5 mmol, 3.0 equiv), NHC-BH₃ **2a** (55.0 mg, 0.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv), ^tBuSH (85 μL, 0.75 mmol, 1.5 equiv), and Cs₂CO₃ (81.5 mg, 0.25 mmol, 0.5 equiv) in 1-butanol (5 mL) was stirred at 60 °C for 10 h. The desired product **3aa** was not observed by TLC and HRMS analyses.

6.5 Intermolecular kinetic isotopic effect experiment (Scheme S10)

equation 1



Followed the general procedure A, an oven-dried 25 mL Schlenk tube was

equipped with a magnetic stir bar and charged with vinyl azide **1a** (218.0 mg, 1.5 mmol), NHC-BH₃ **2a** (27.5 mg, 0.25 mmol), NHC-BD₃ **2a-d₃** (28.3 mg, 0.25 mmol), ^tBuSH (85 μL, 0.75 mmol), and Cs₂CO₃ (81.5 mg, 0.25 mmol) in 1-butanol (5 mL). The reaction mixture was then stirred at 60 °C for 5 h. The crude product was purified by flash column chromatography eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc/Et₃N (1:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford a mixture of **3aa** and **3aa-d₂** in a ratio of about 1.1/1 according to LC-MS analysis.

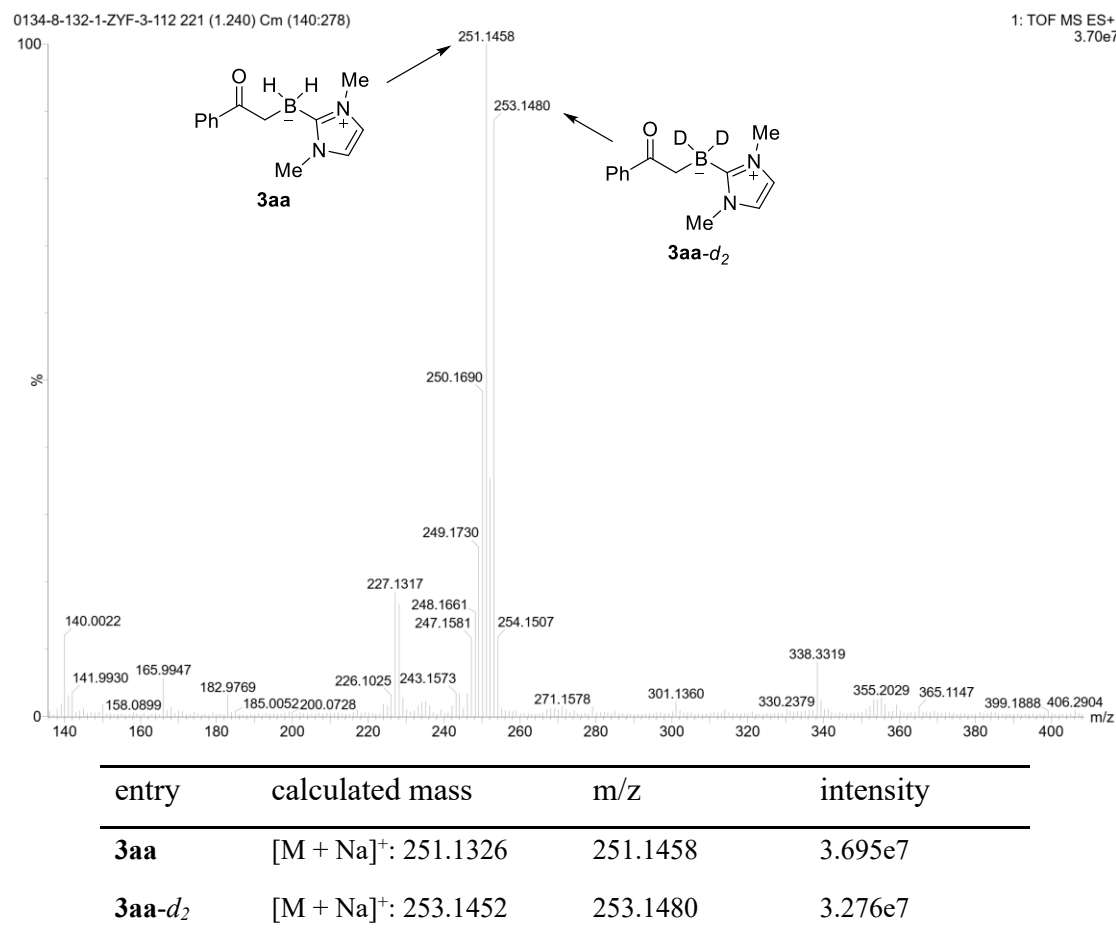
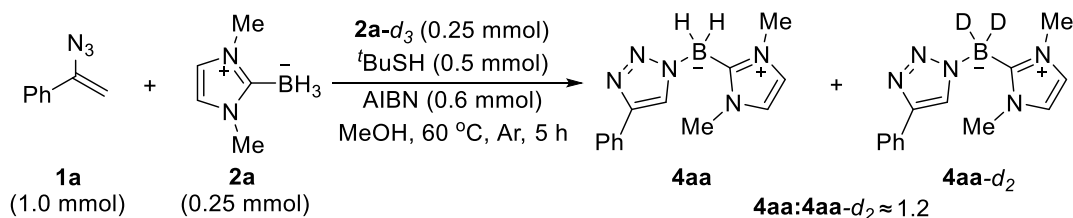


Figure S6. LC-MS (ESI) spectrum for a mixture of **3aa** and **3aa-d₂**.

equation 2



Followed the general procedure C, an oven-dried 25 mL Schlenk tube was equipped with a magnetic stir bar and charged with vinyl azide **1a** (145.2 mg, 1.0 mmol), NHC-BH₃ **2a** (27.5 mg, 0.5 mmol), NHC-BD₃ **2a-d₃** (28.3 mg, 0.25 mmol),

¹BuSH (57 μ L, 0.5 mmol), and AIBN (98.5 mg, 0.6 mmol) in CH₃OH (5 mL). The reaction mixture was then stirred at 60 °C for 5 h. The crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluting with CH₂Cl₂/MeOH/Et₃N (40:1:0.01, v/v/v) to afford a mixture of **4aa** and **4aa-d₂** in a ratio of about 1.2/1 according to LC-MS analysis.

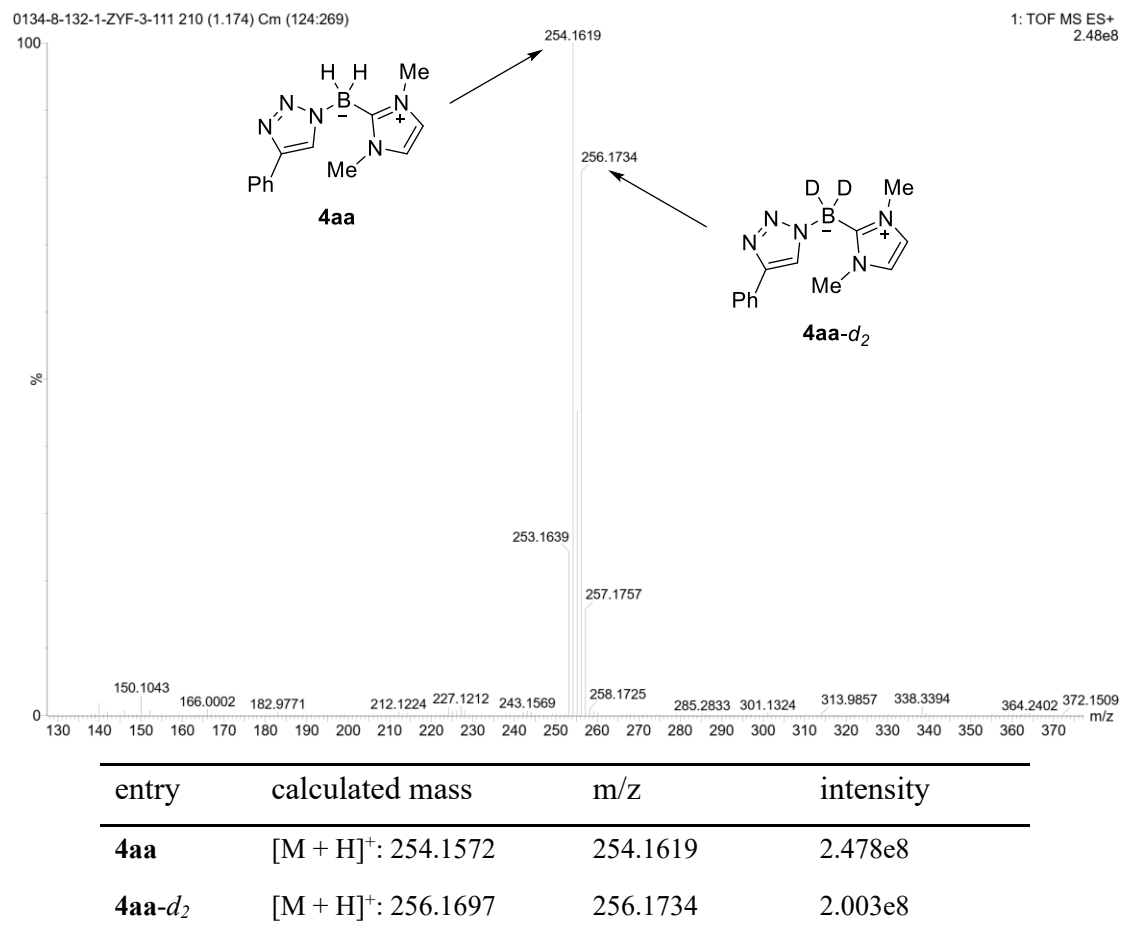
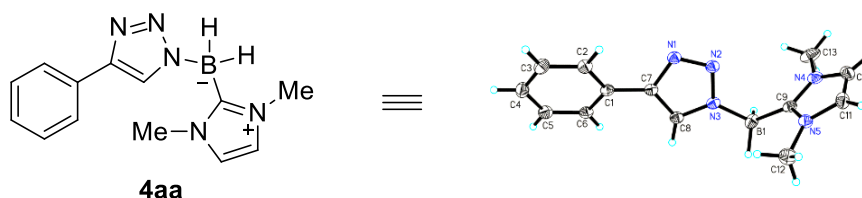


Figure S7. LC-MS (ESI) spectrum for a mixture of **4aa** and **4aa-d₂**.

7 Single crystal x-ray data



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Table S2. Crystal data and structure refinement for **4aa**.

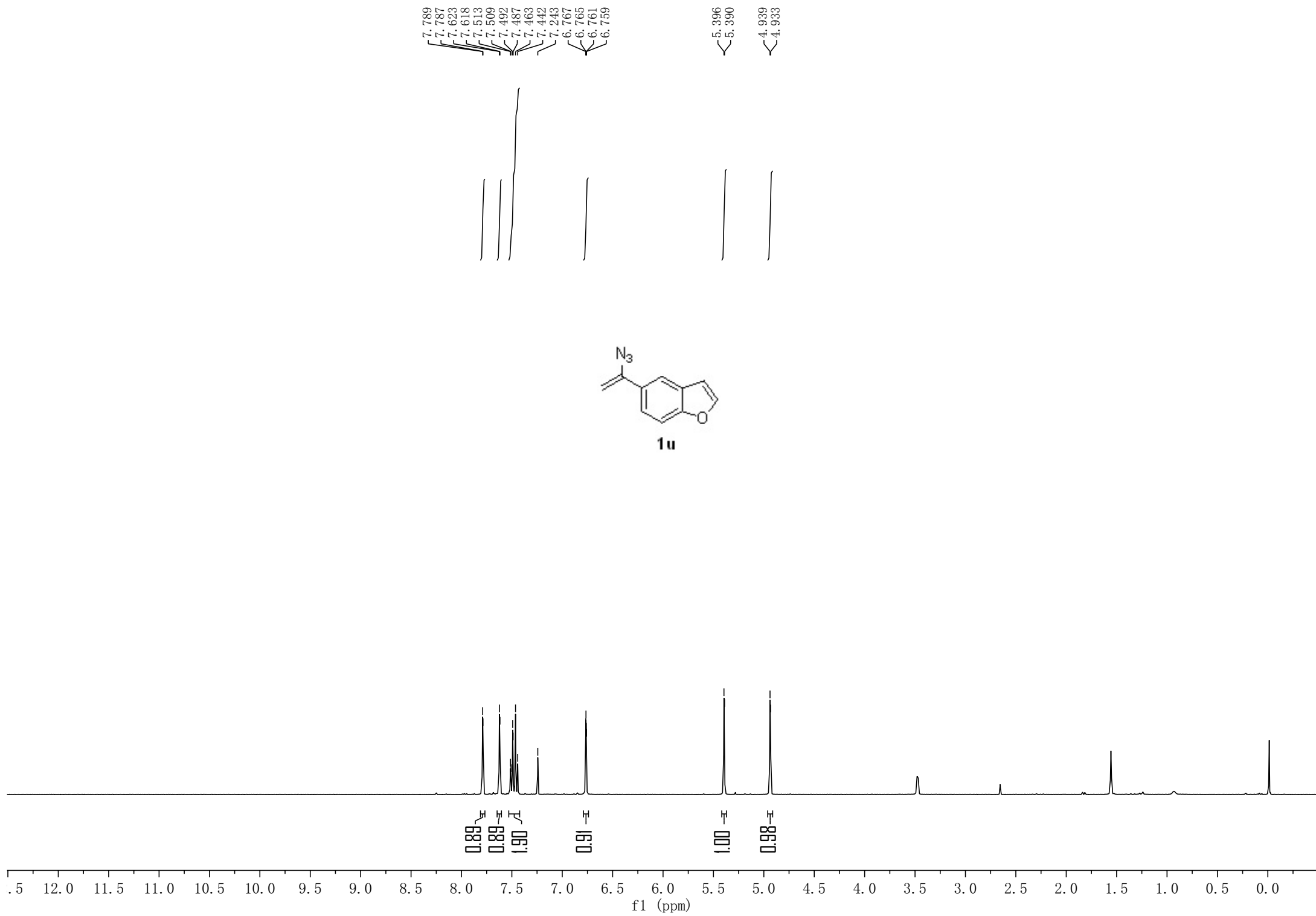
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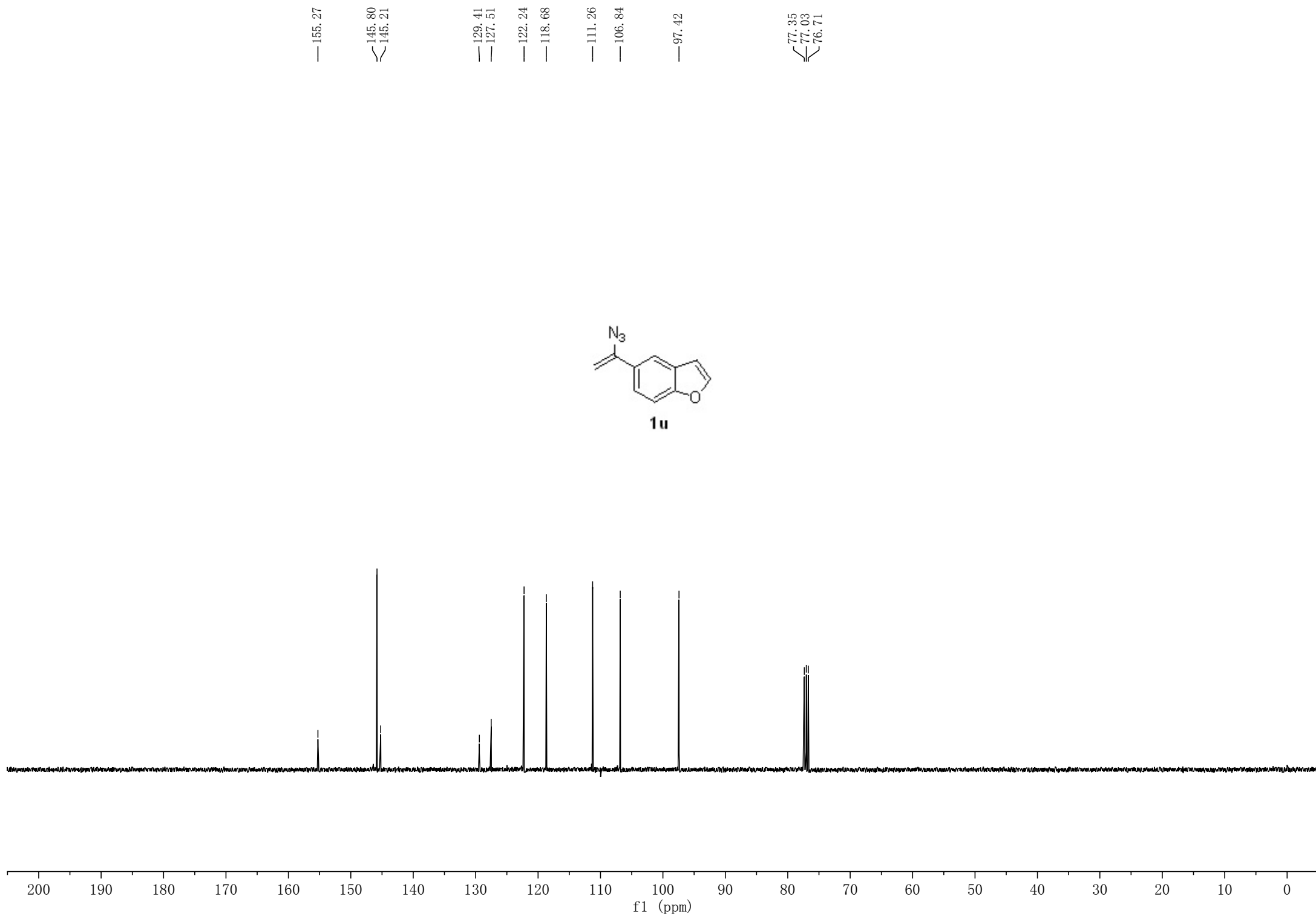
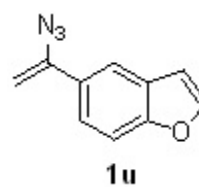
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c/Å	25.691(2)
$\alpha/^\circ$	90
$\beta/^\circ$	102.499(9)
$\gamma/^\circ$	90
Volume/Å ³	2887.6(4)
Z	8
$\rho_{\text{calc}}/\text{g cm}^{-3}$	1.206
μ/mm^{-1}	0.078
F(000)	1112.0
Crystal size/mm ³	0.15 × 0.13 × 0.12
Radiation	MoK α (λ = 0.71073)
2 Θ range for data collection/ $^\circ$	4.926 to 49.998
Index ranges	-15 ≤ h ≤ 14, -10 ≤ k ≤ 9, -23 ≤ l ≤ 30
Reflections collected	5648
Independent reflections	2553 [R_{int} = 0.0261, R_{sigma} = 0.0355]
Data/restraints/parameters	2553/0/194
Goodness-of-fit on F^2	1.060
Final R indexes [$I \geq 2\sigma(I)$]	R_1 = 0.0466, wR_2 = 0.1073
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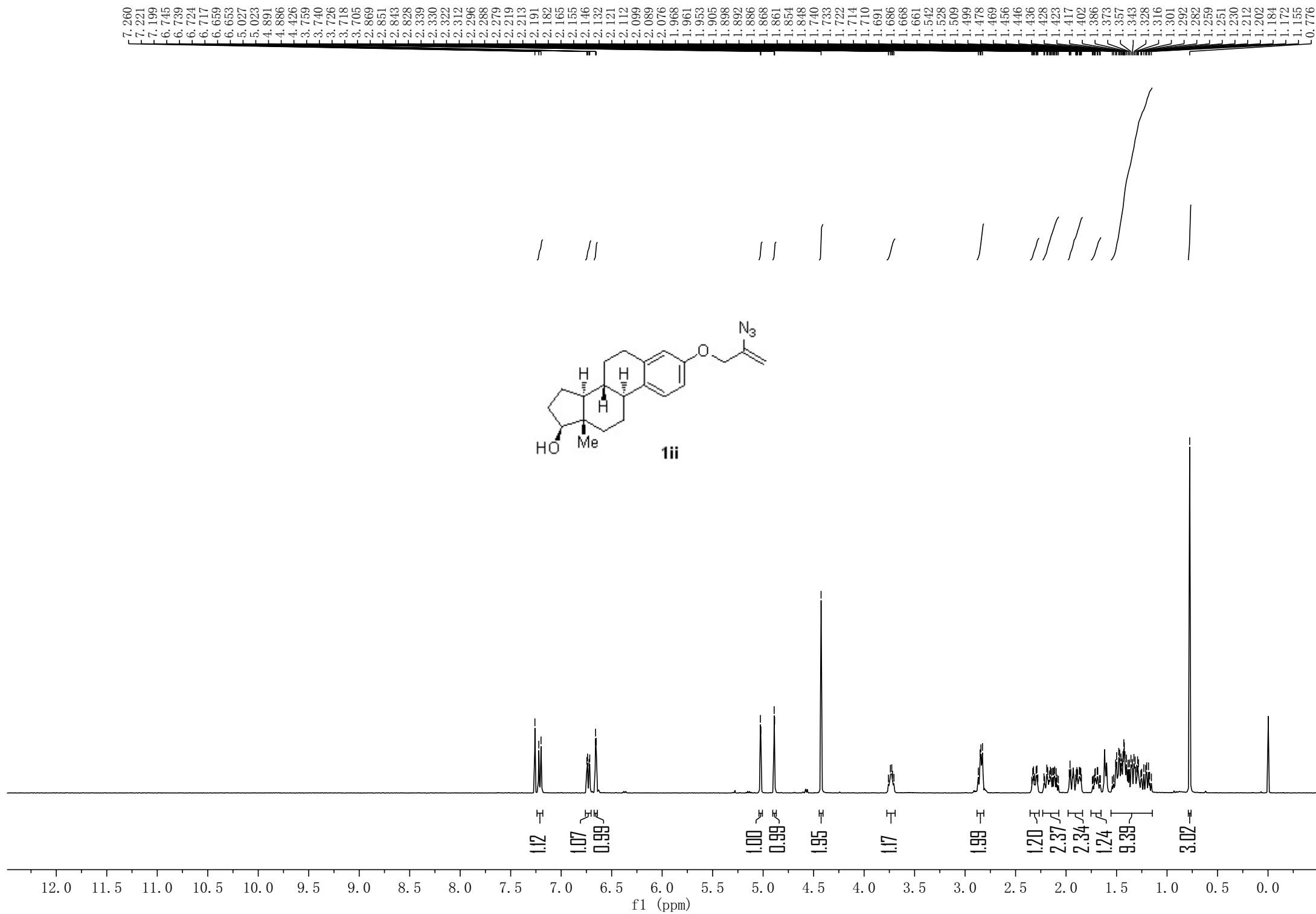
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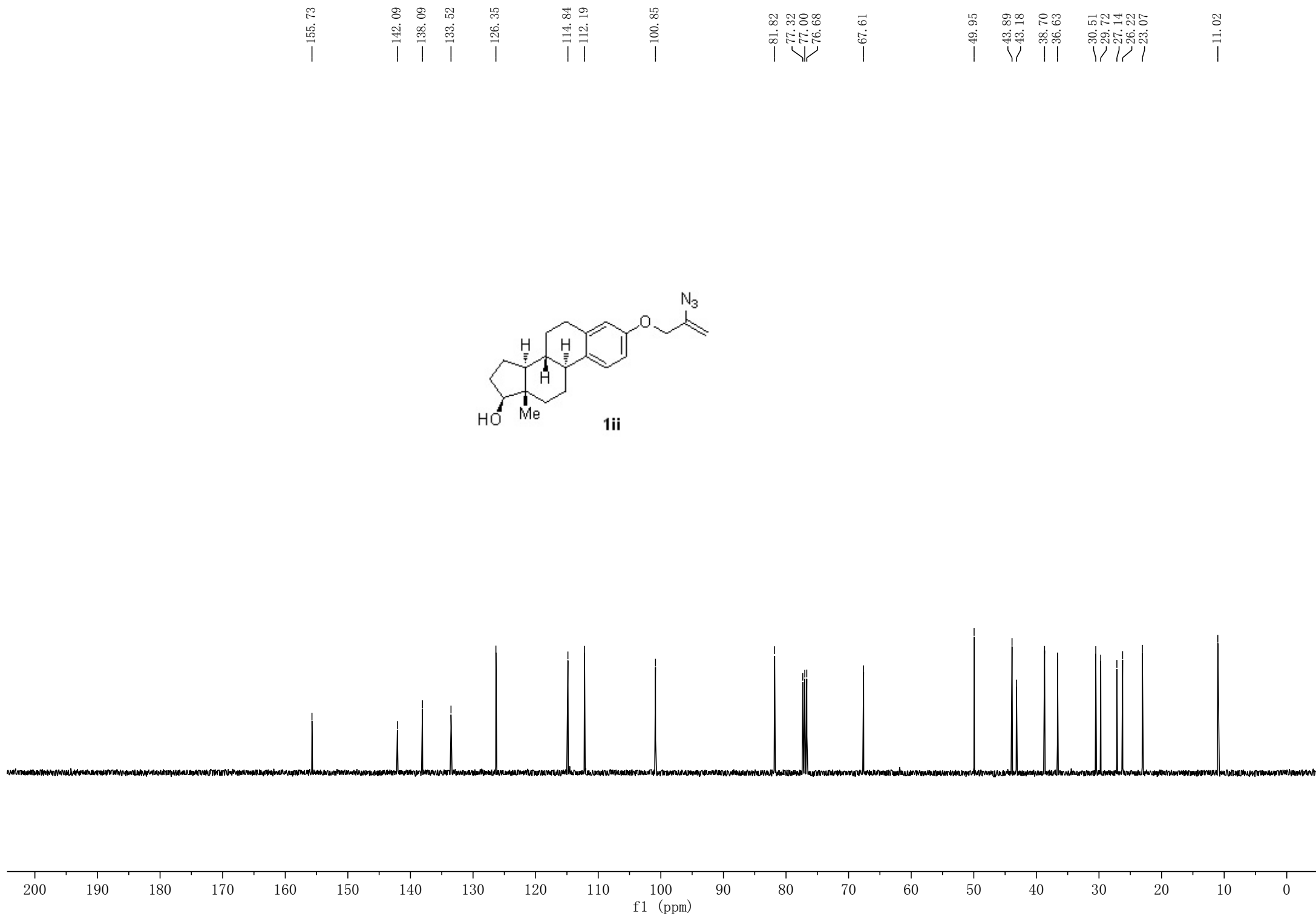
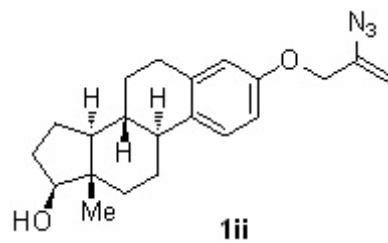
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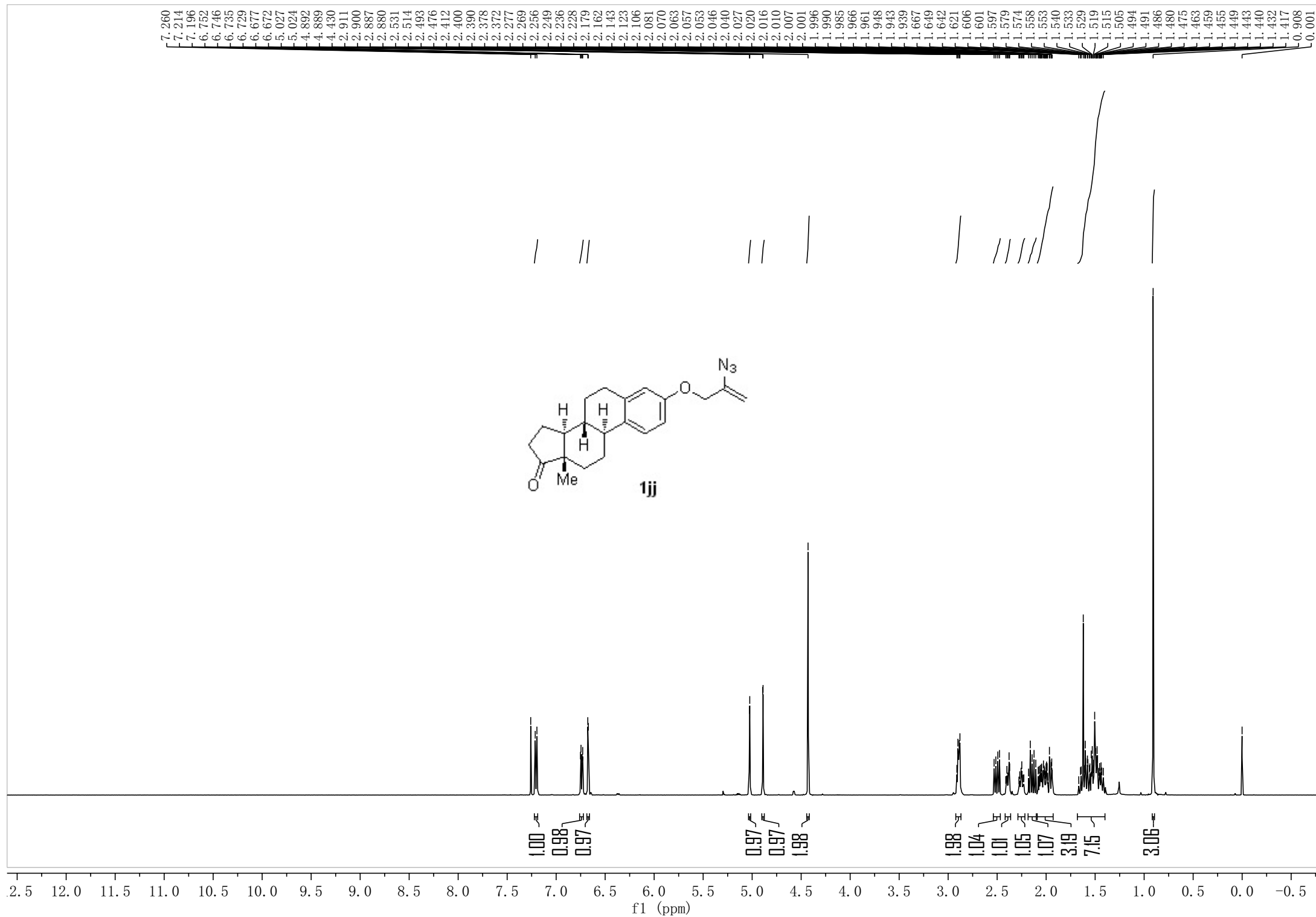
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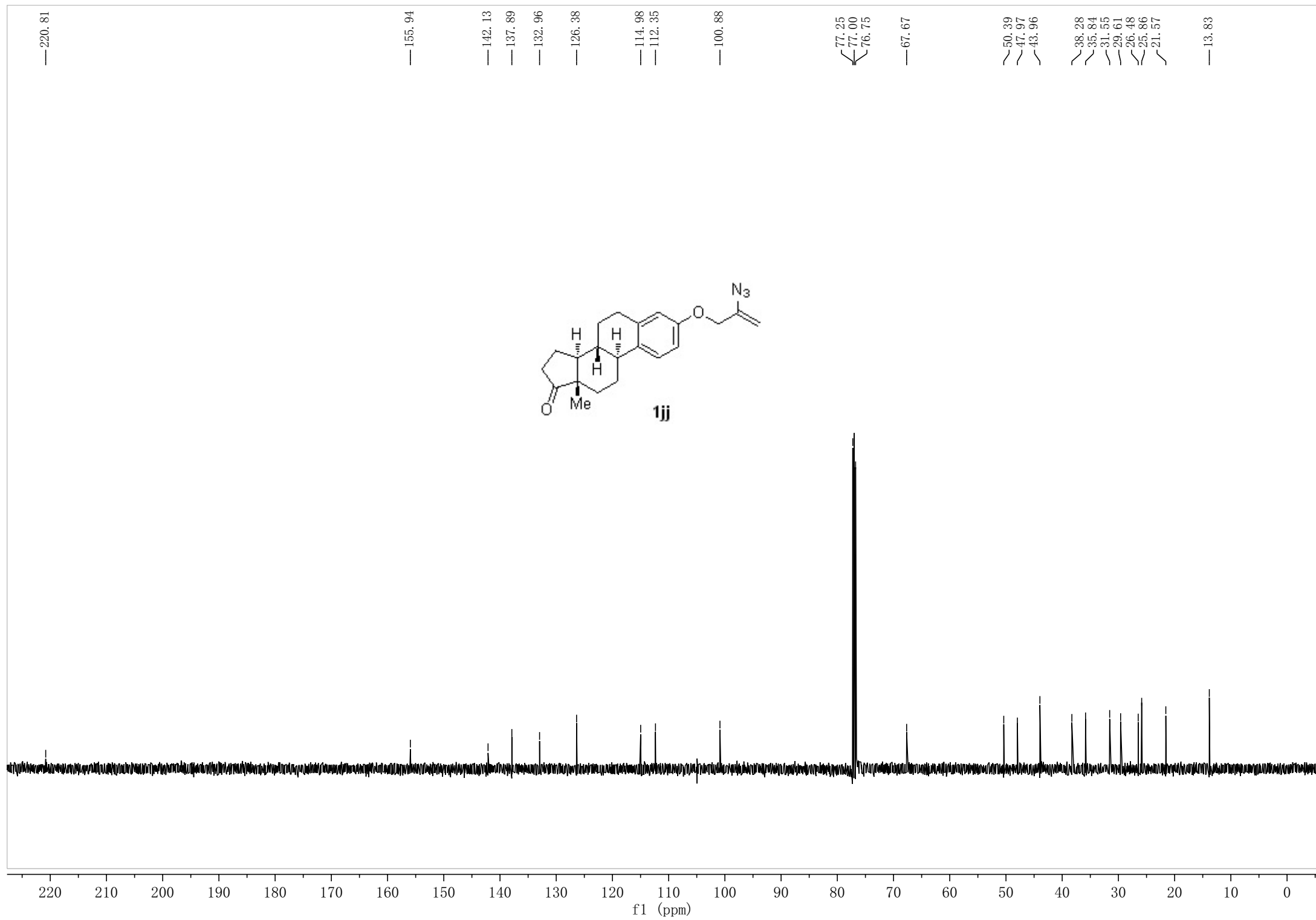


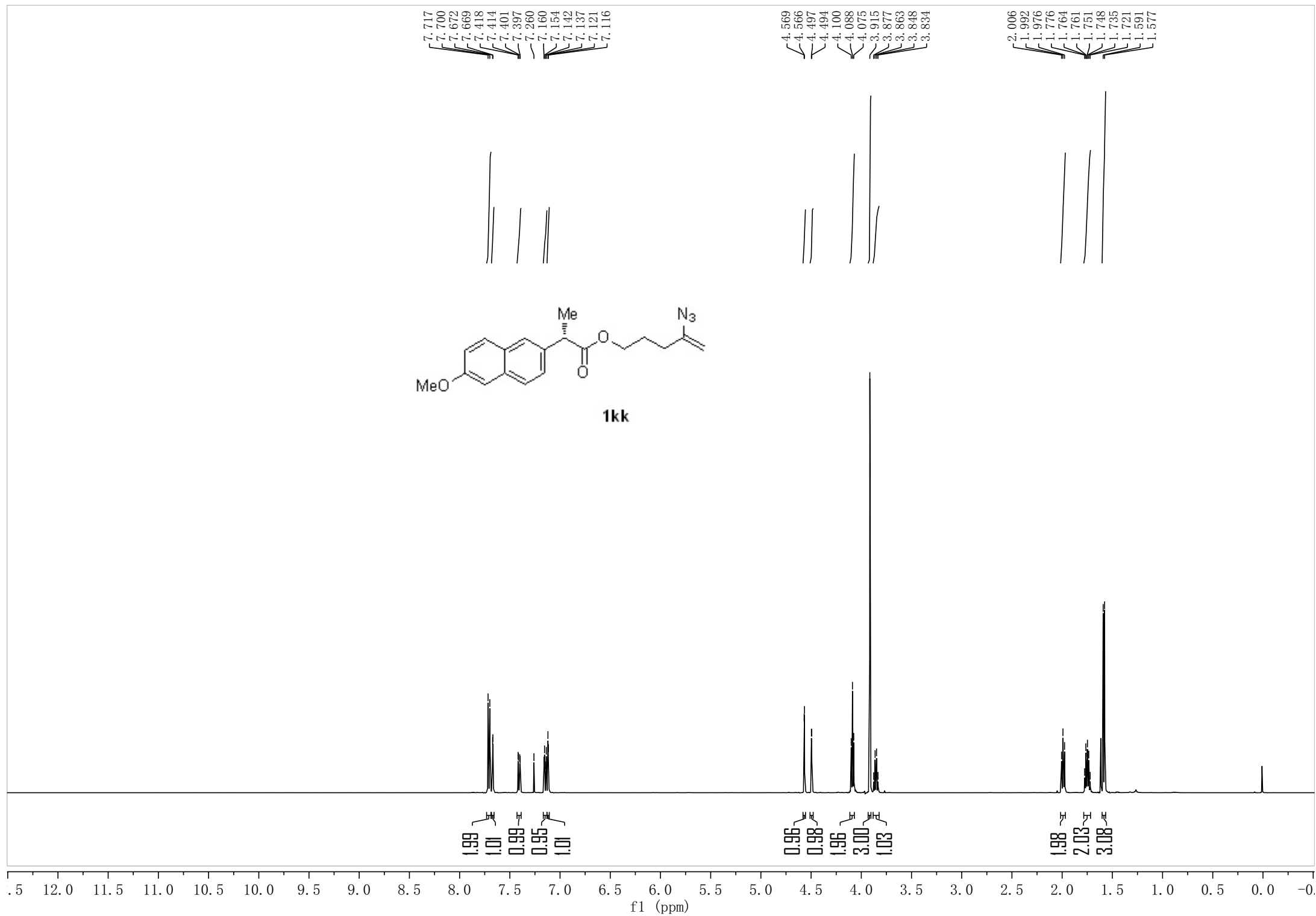


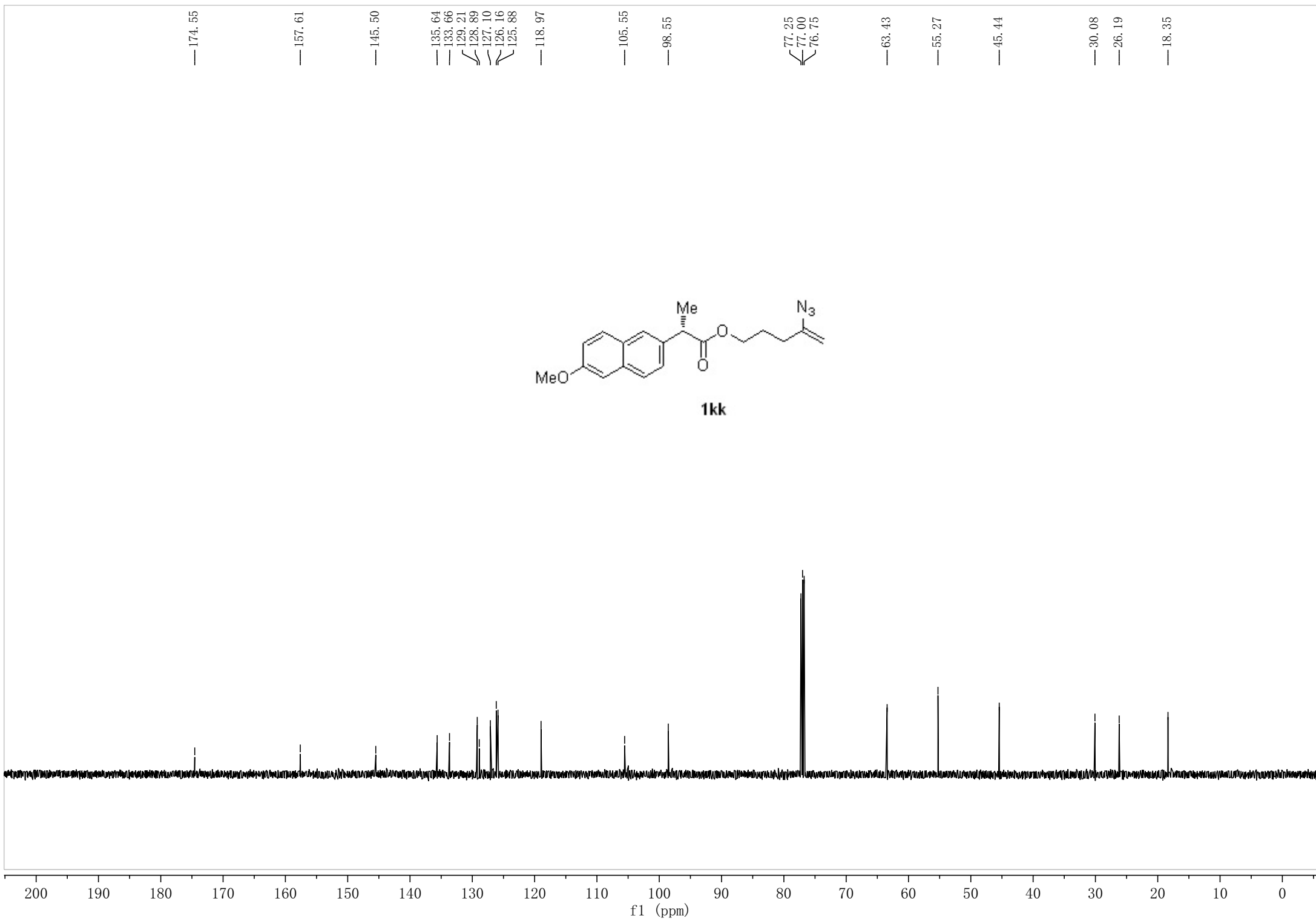


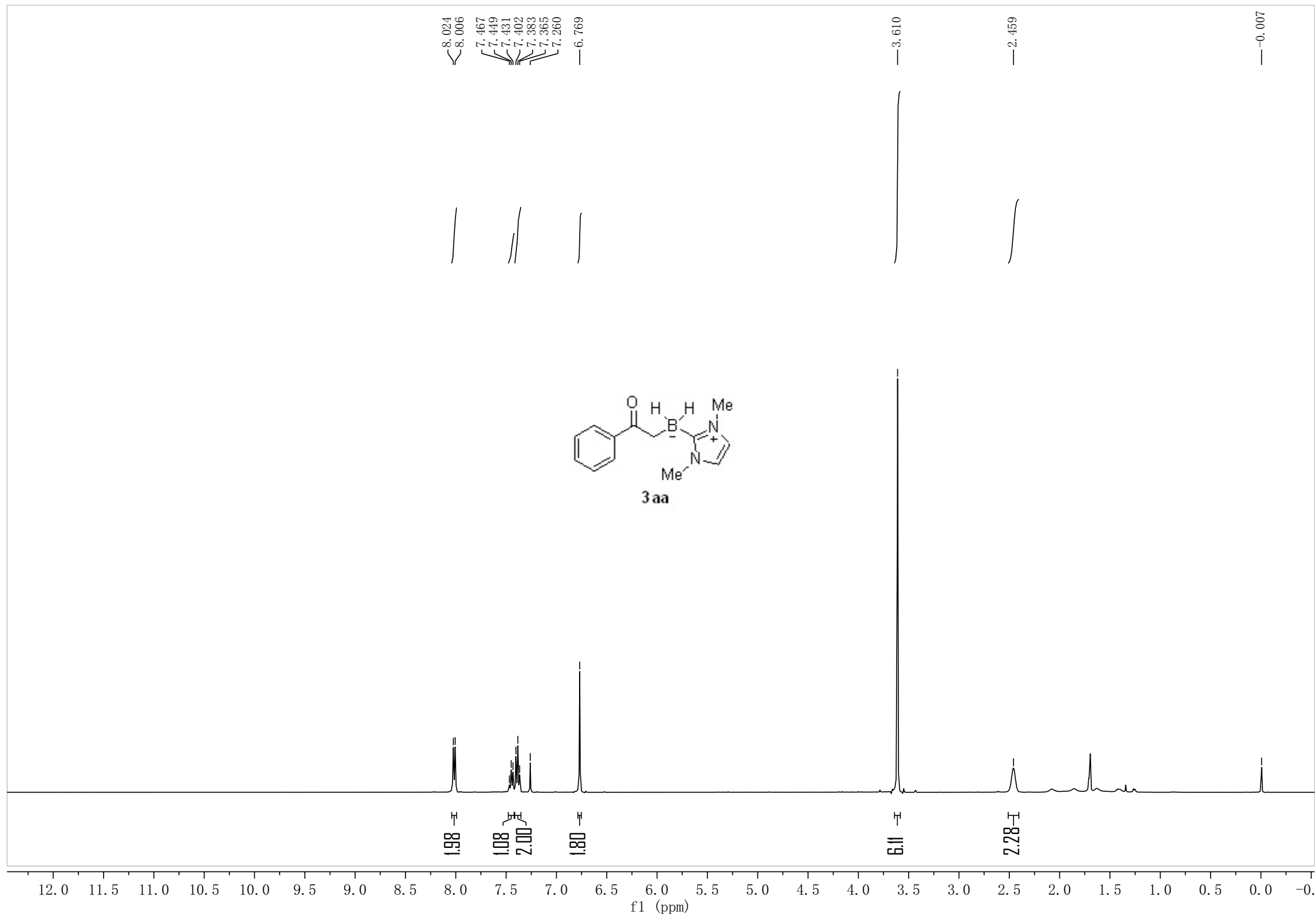


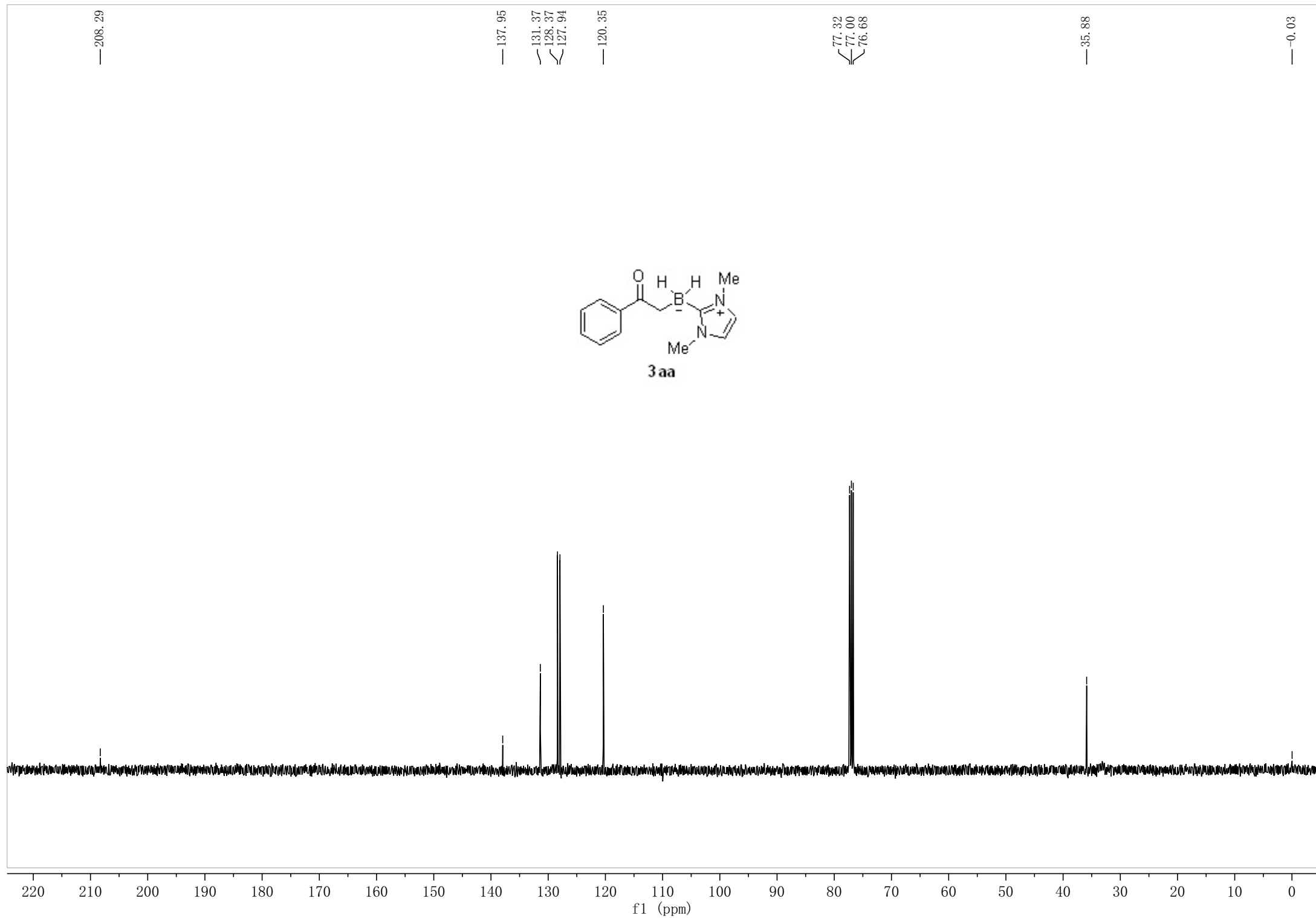
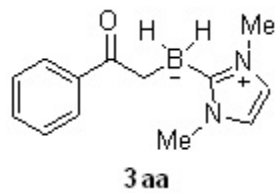


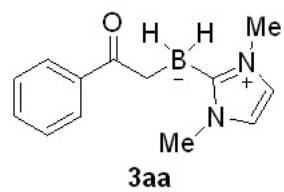




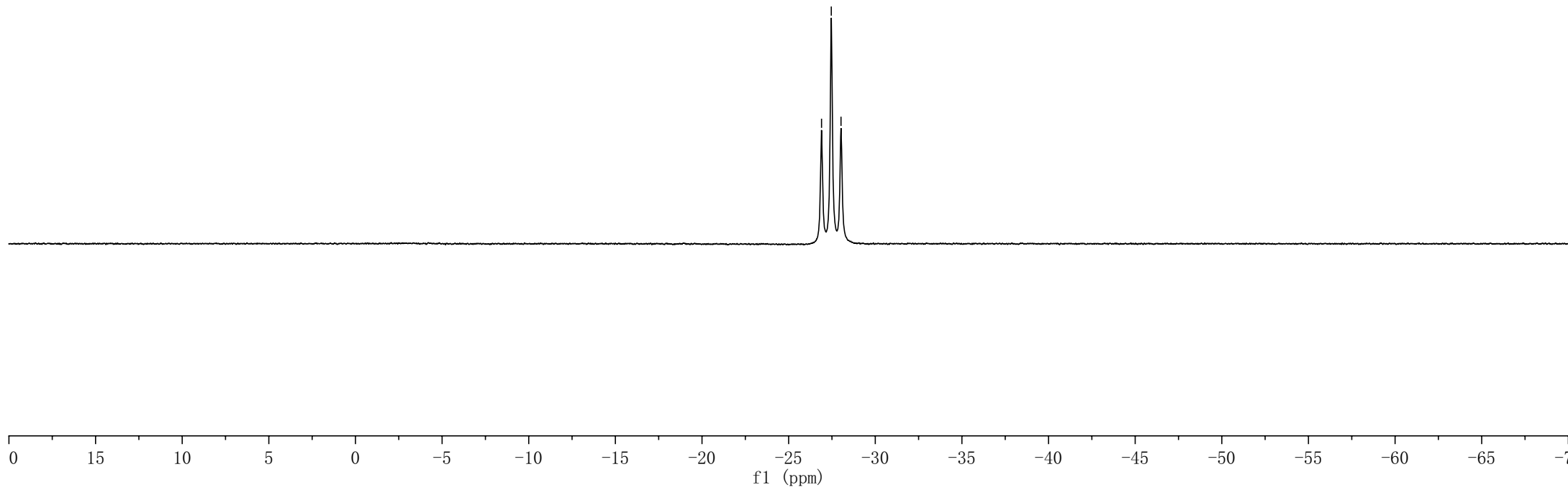


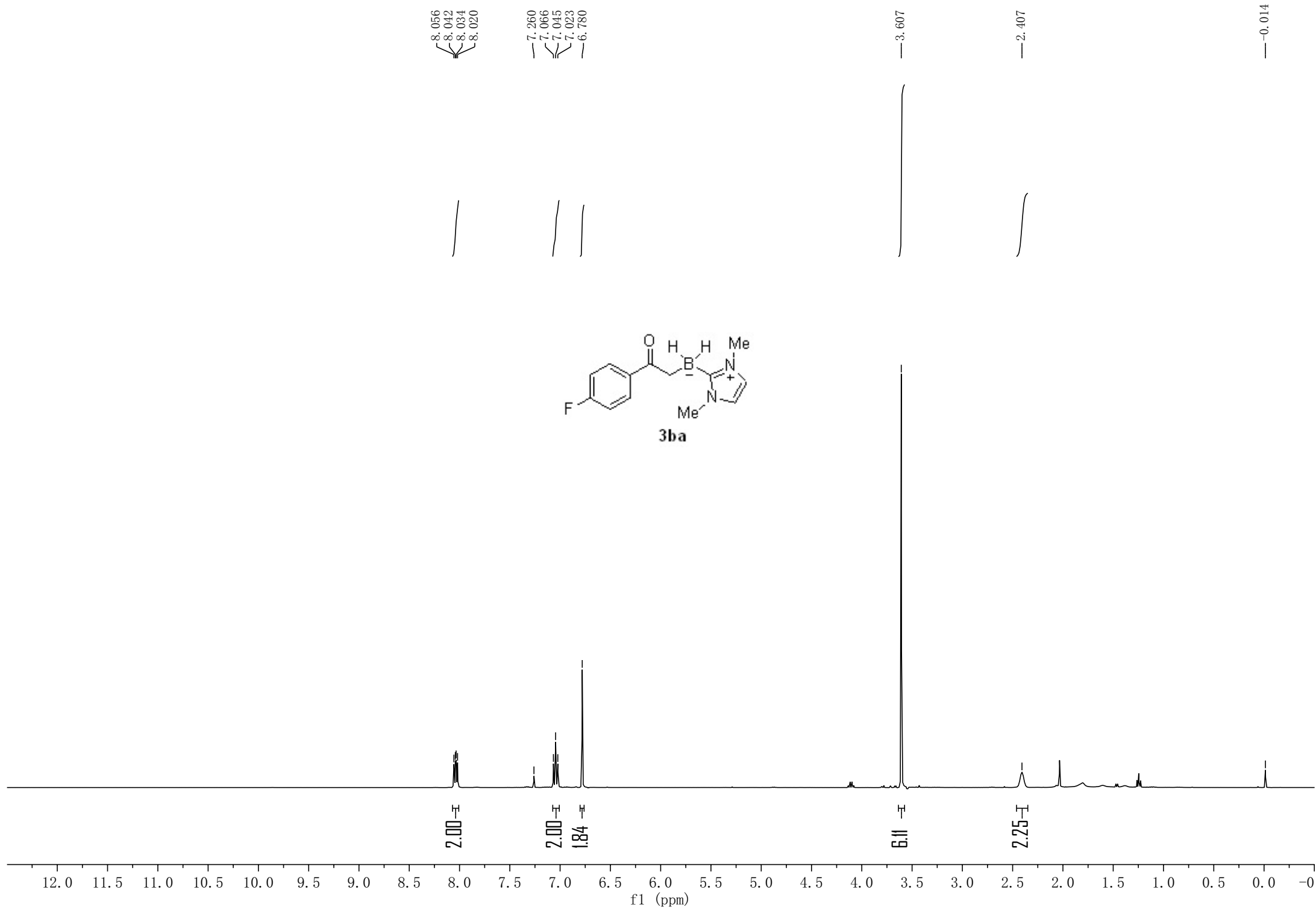


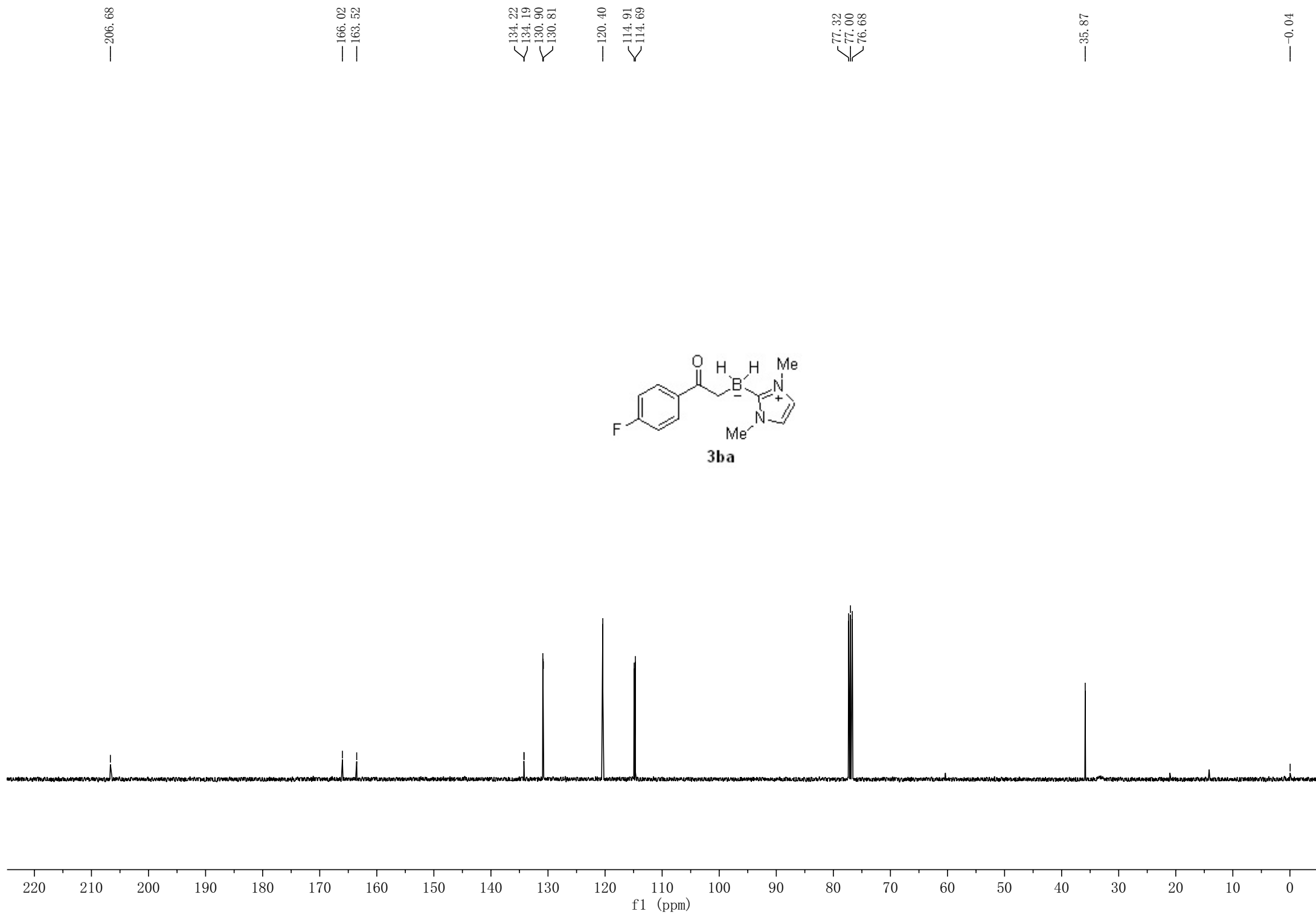
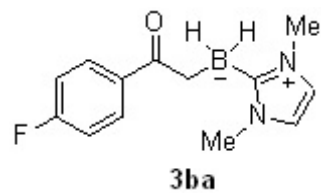


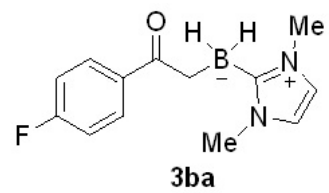


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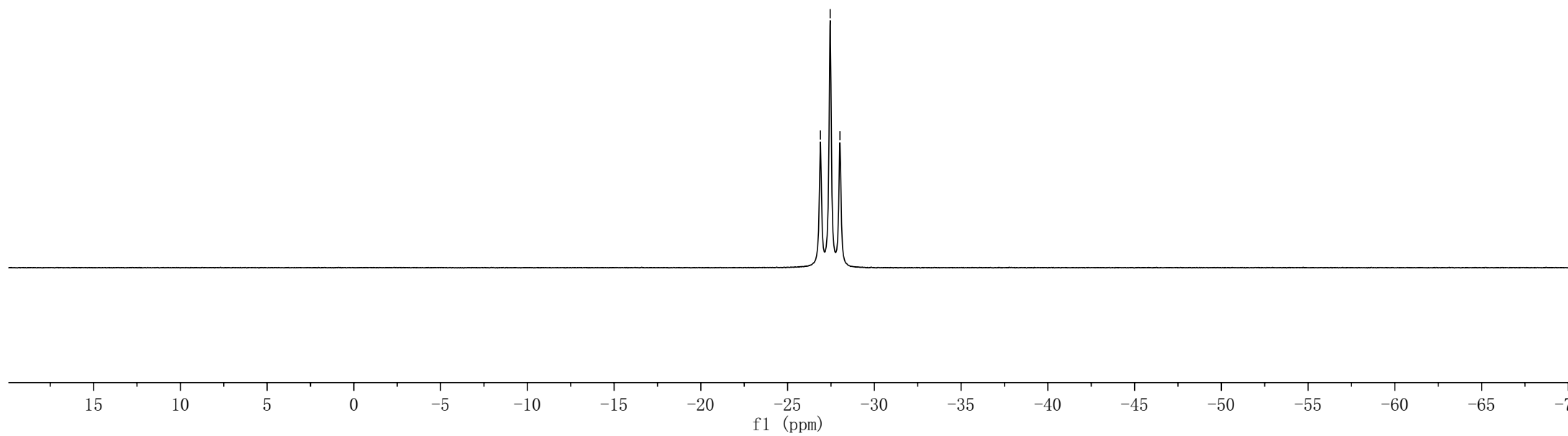


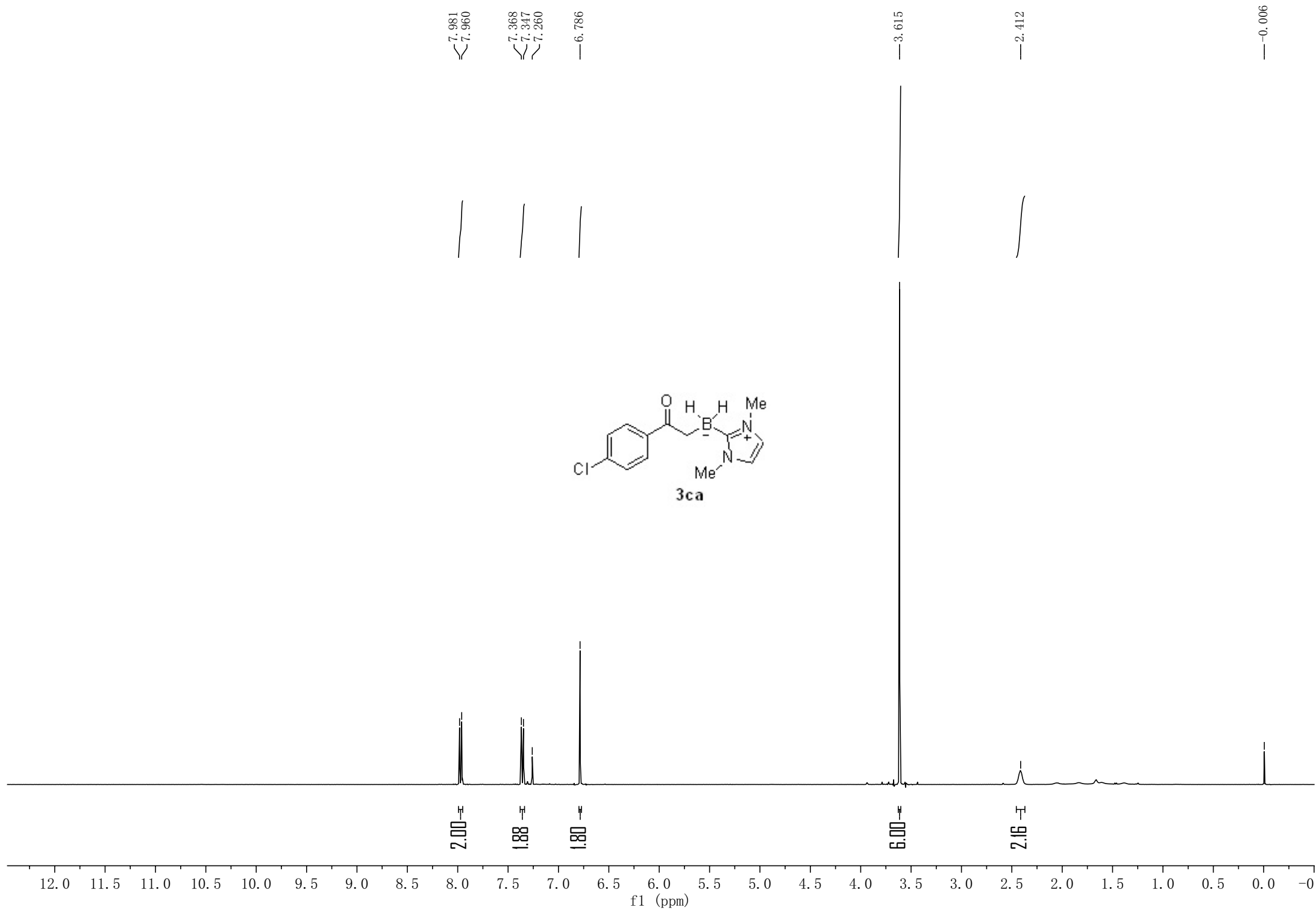


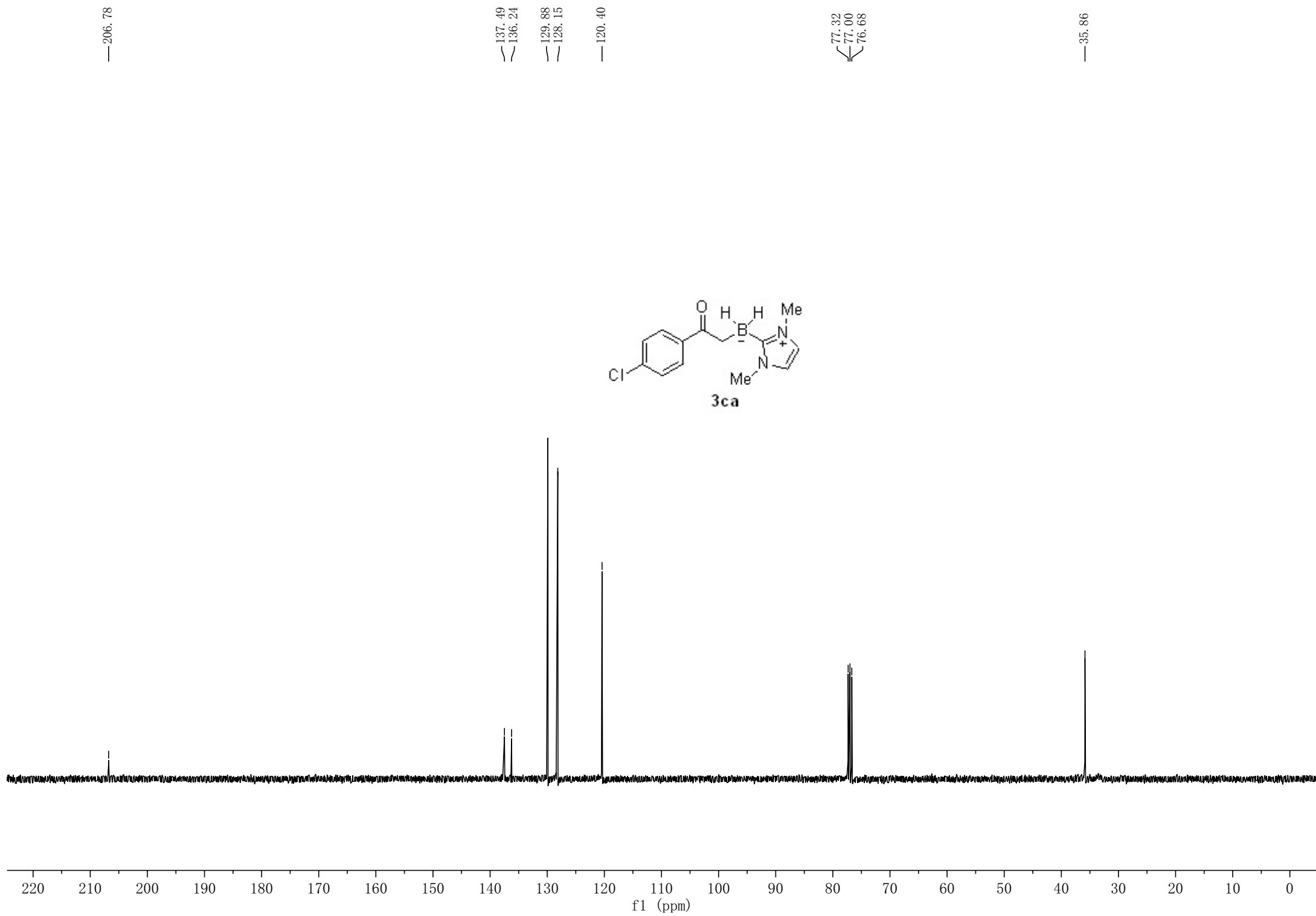


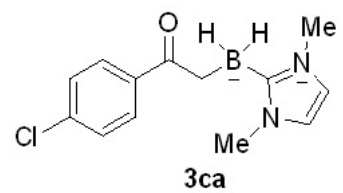


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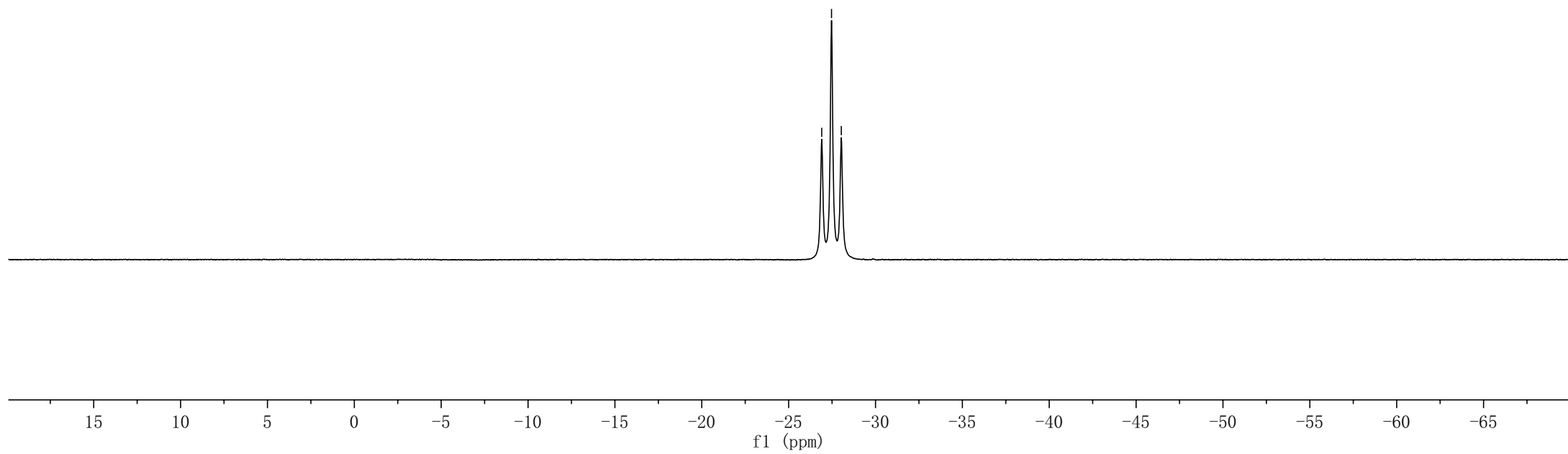


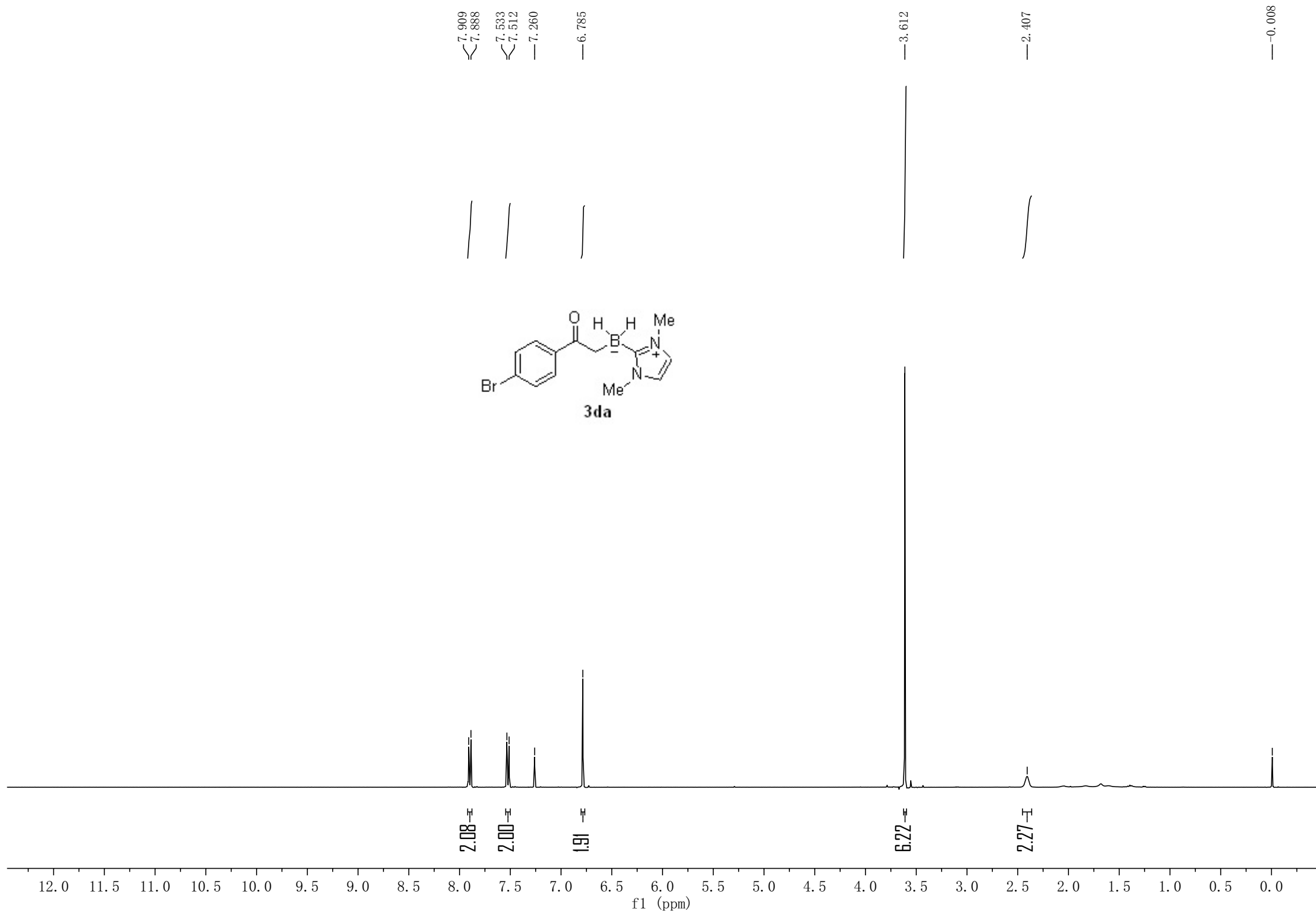
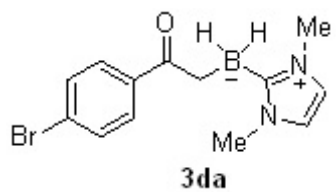


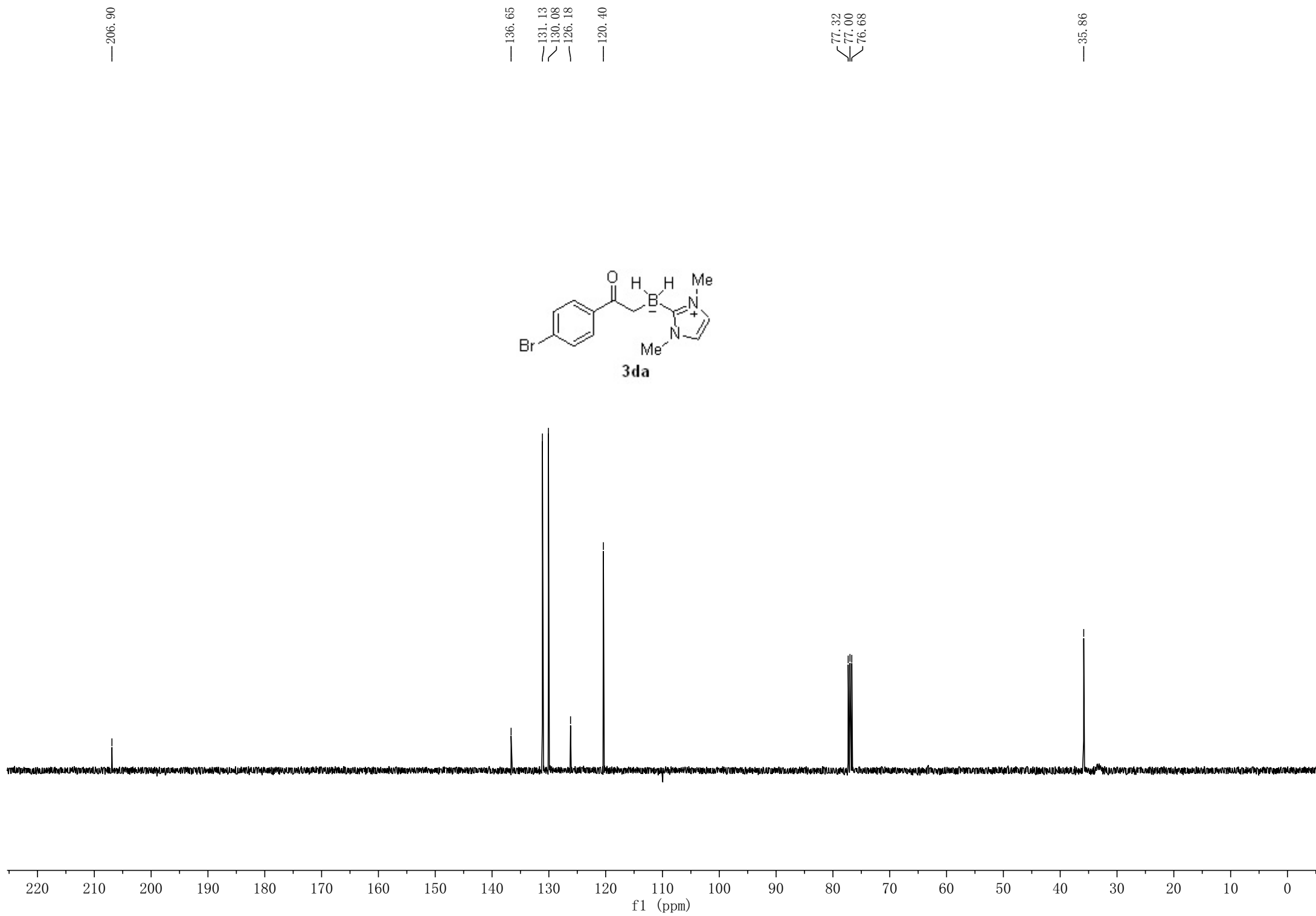
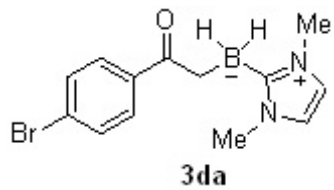


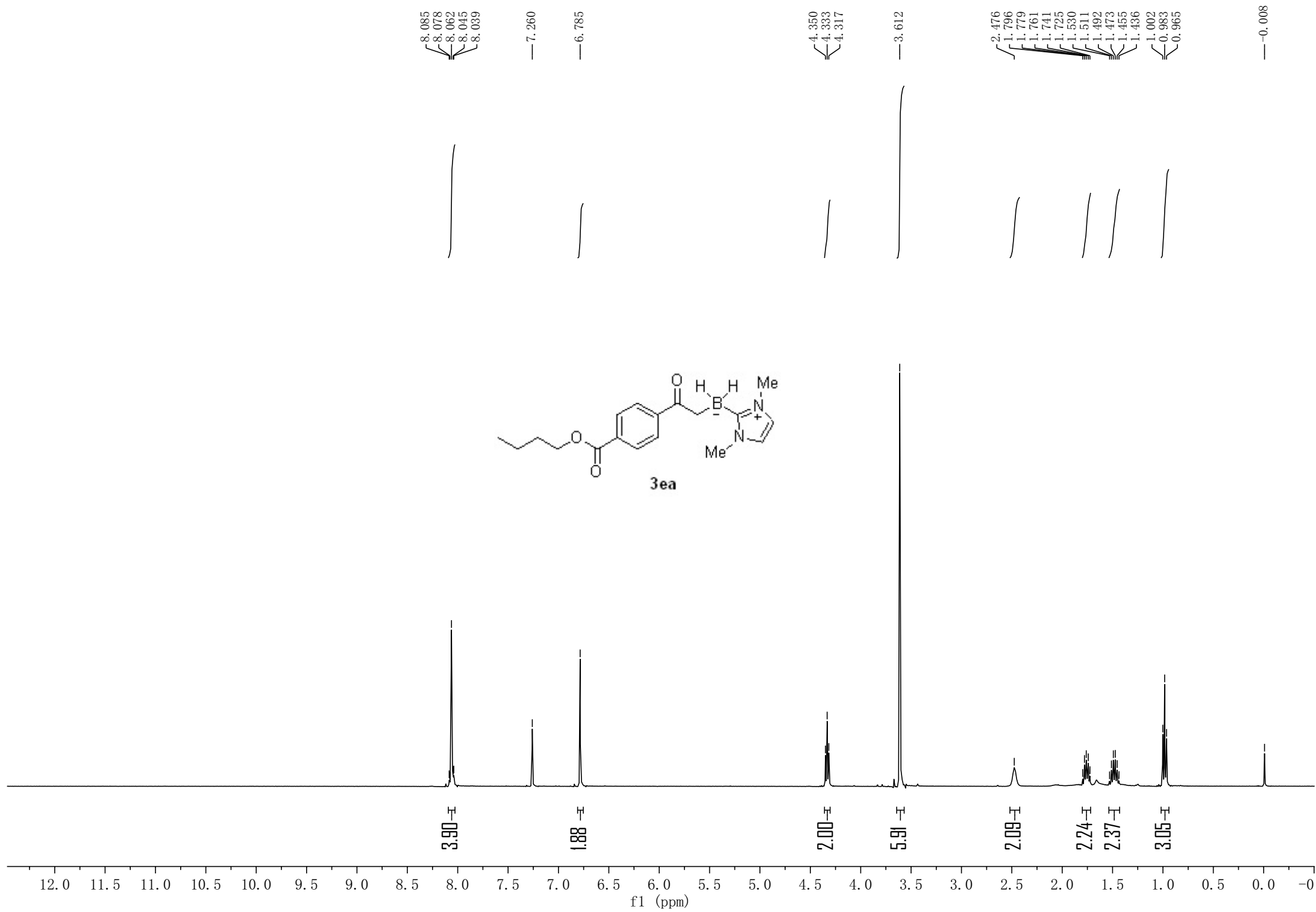


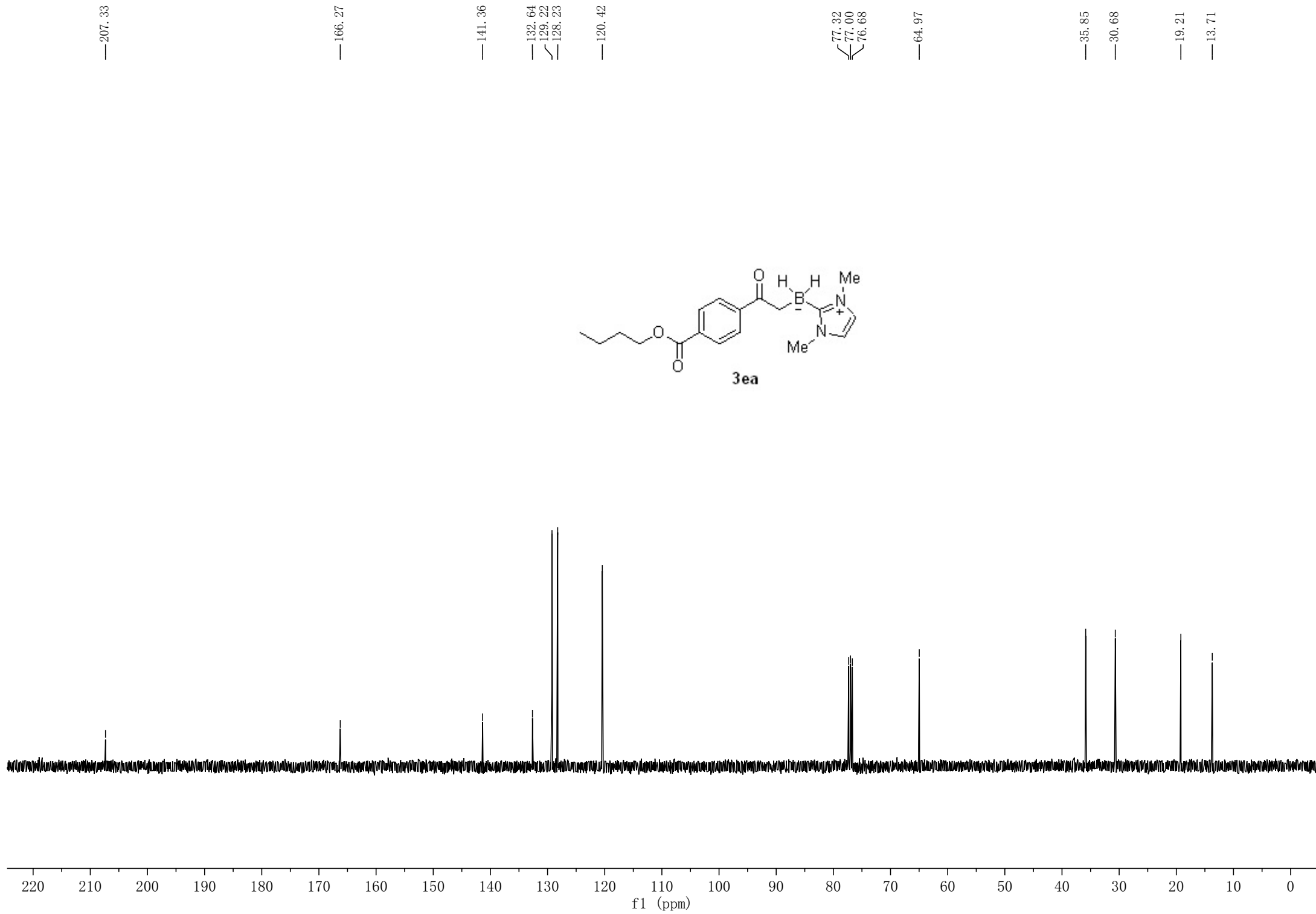
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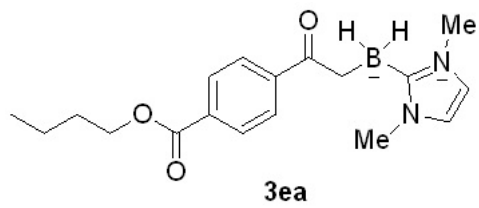






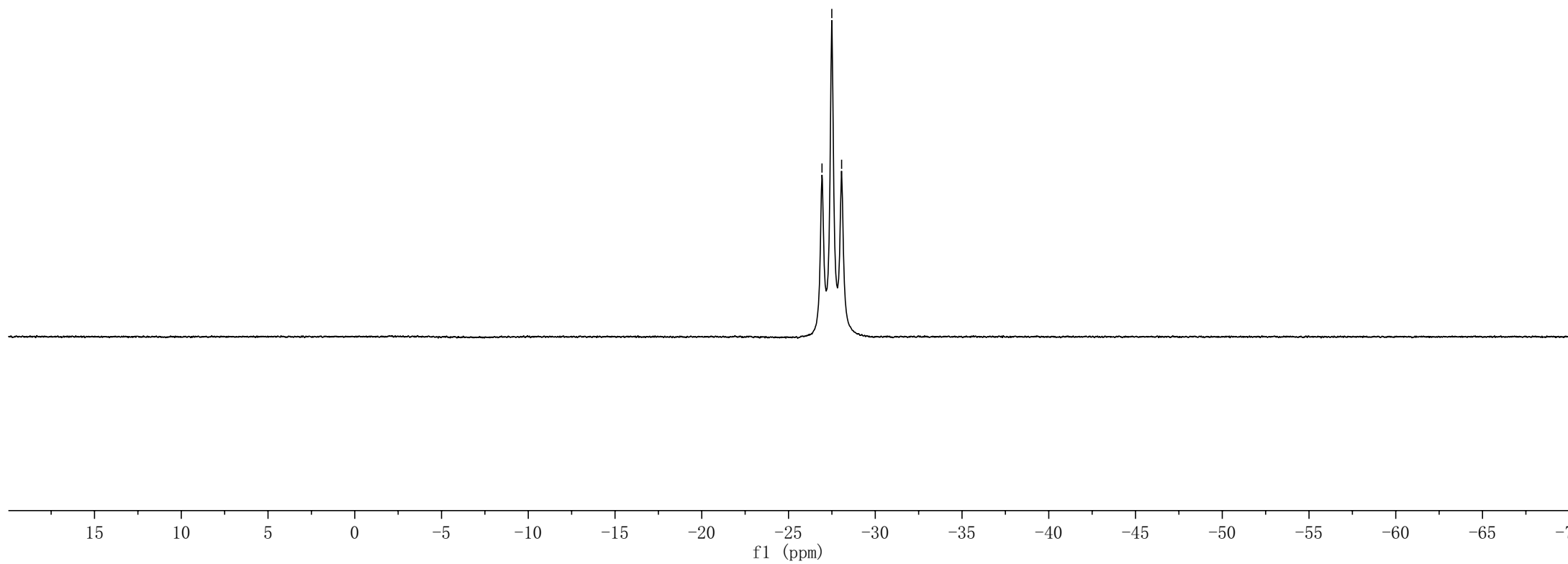


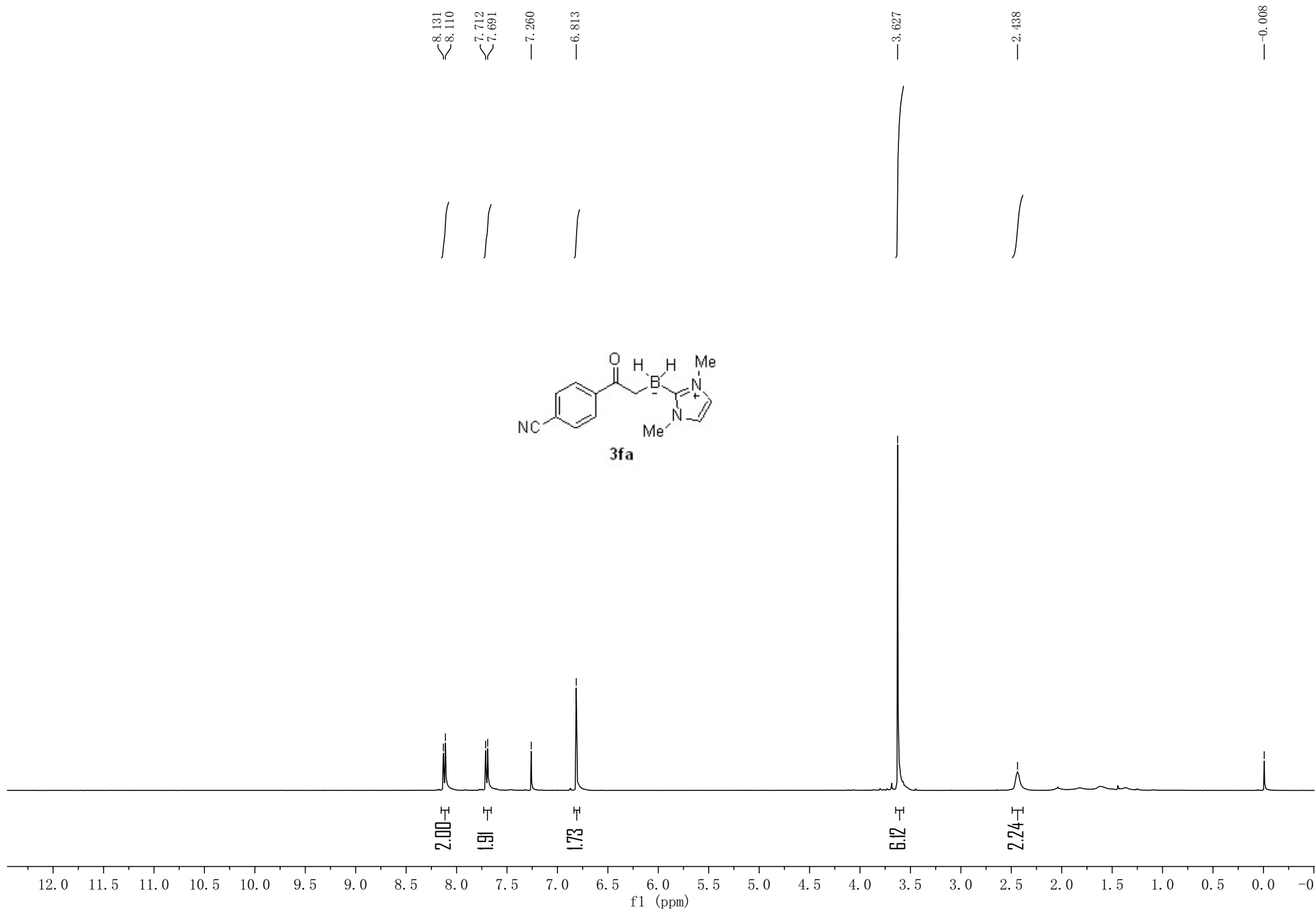


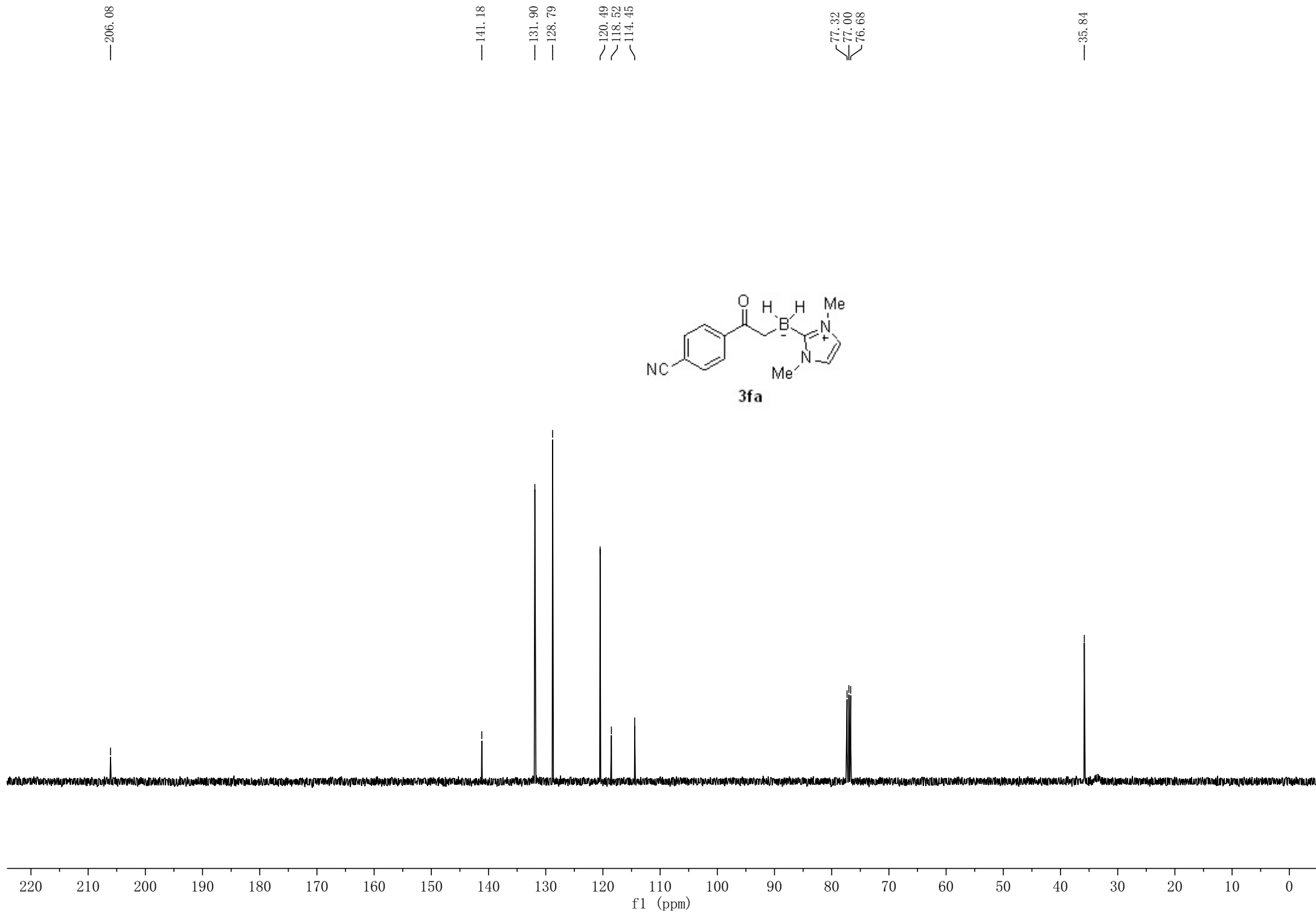


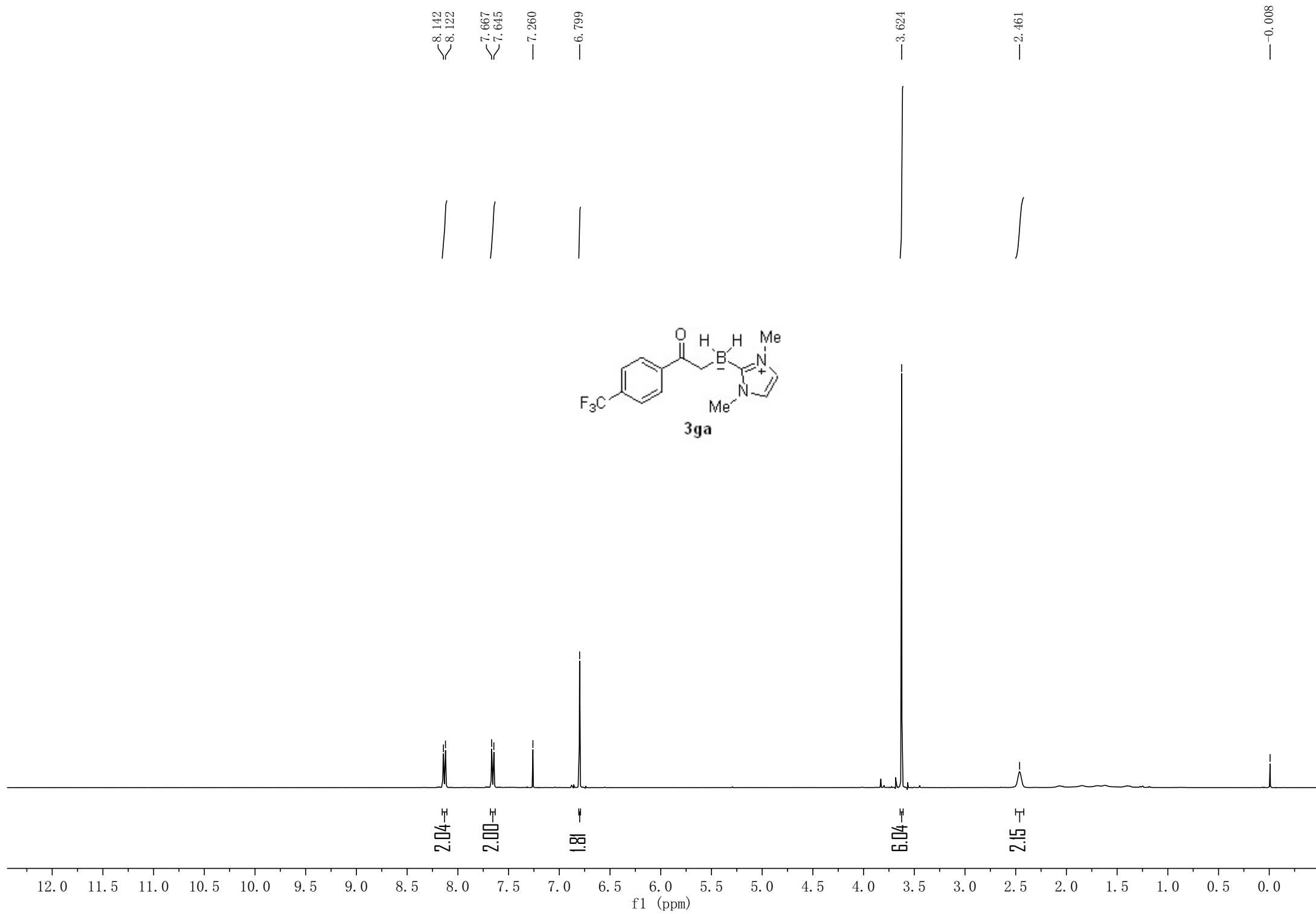
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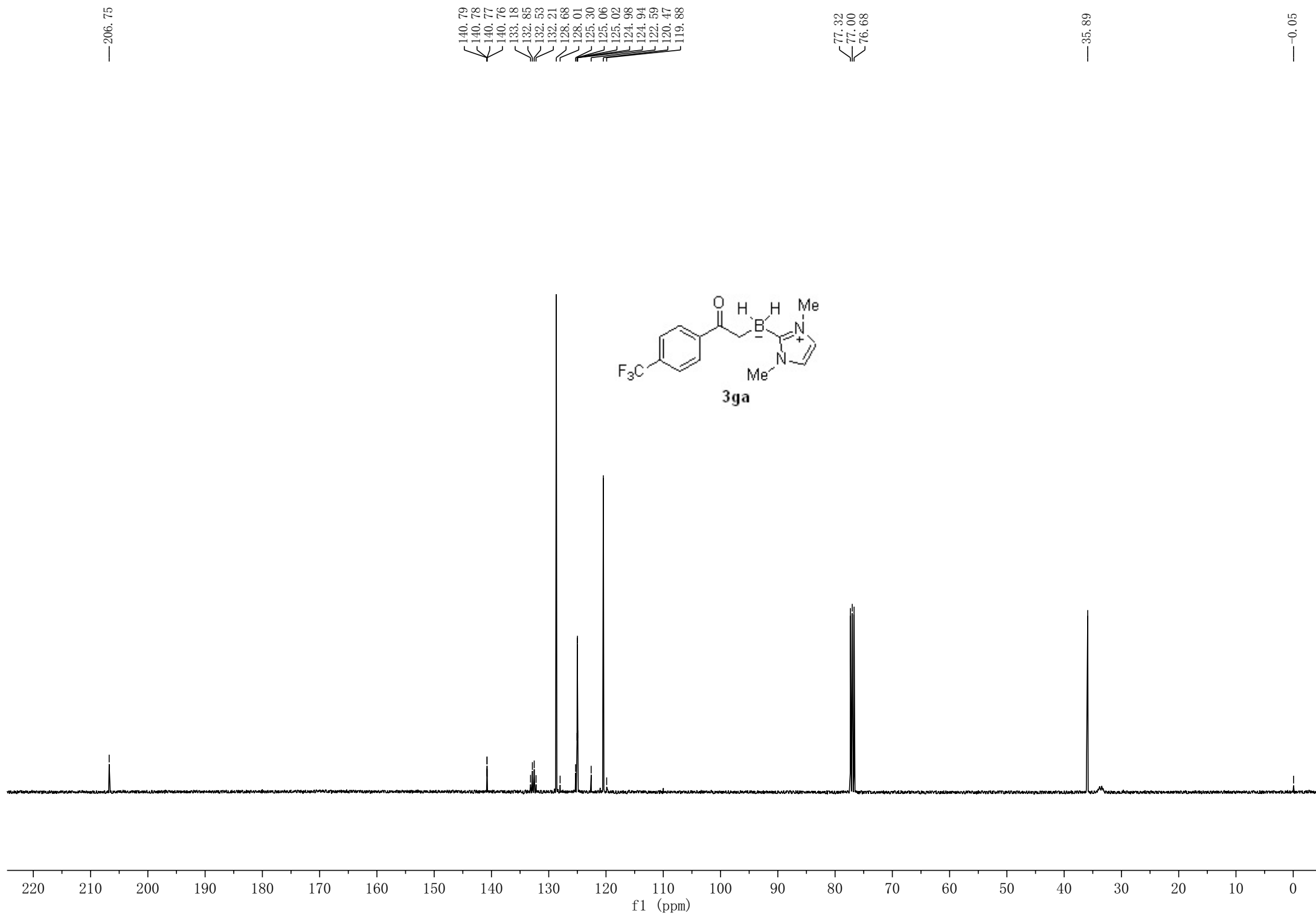
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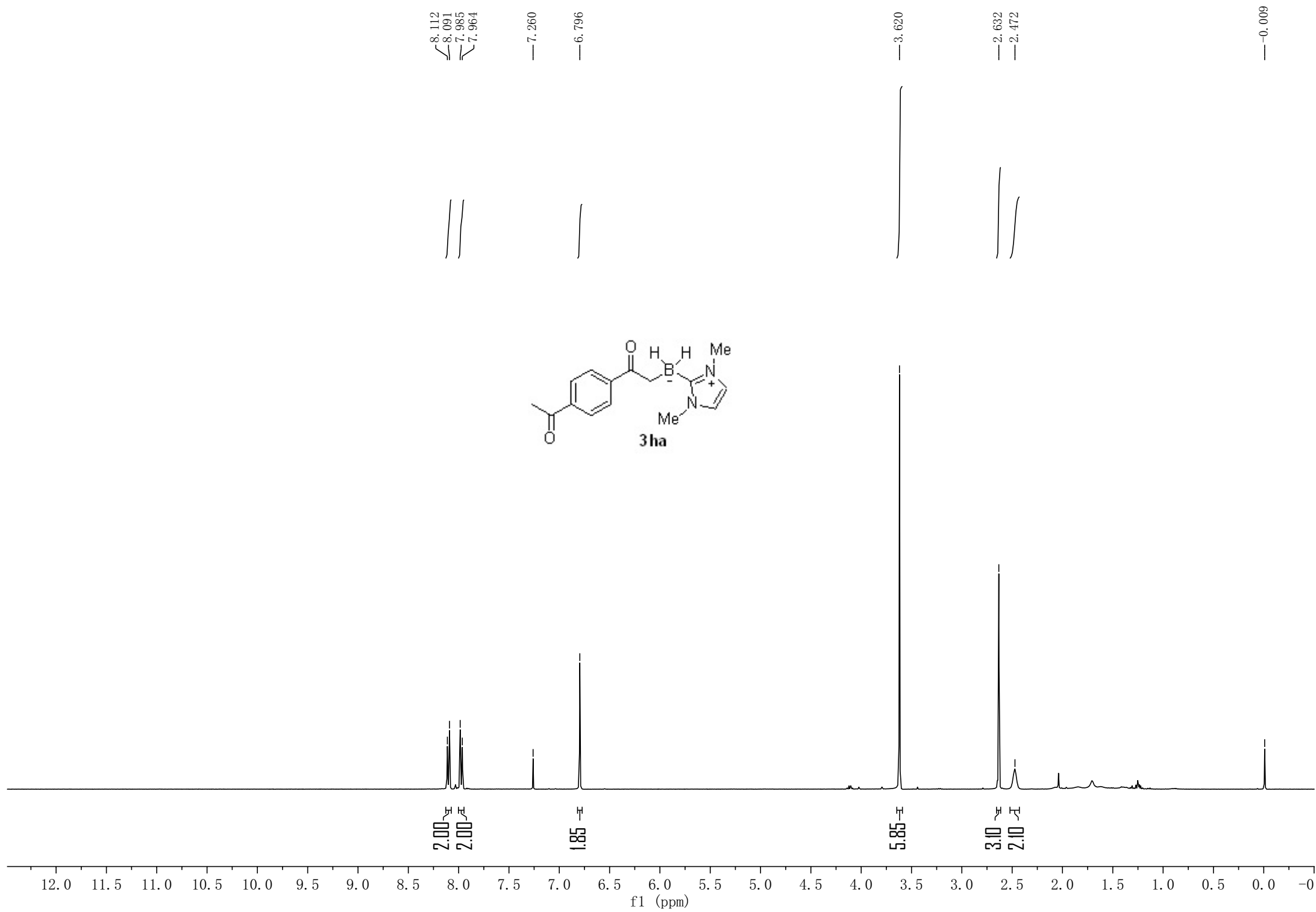


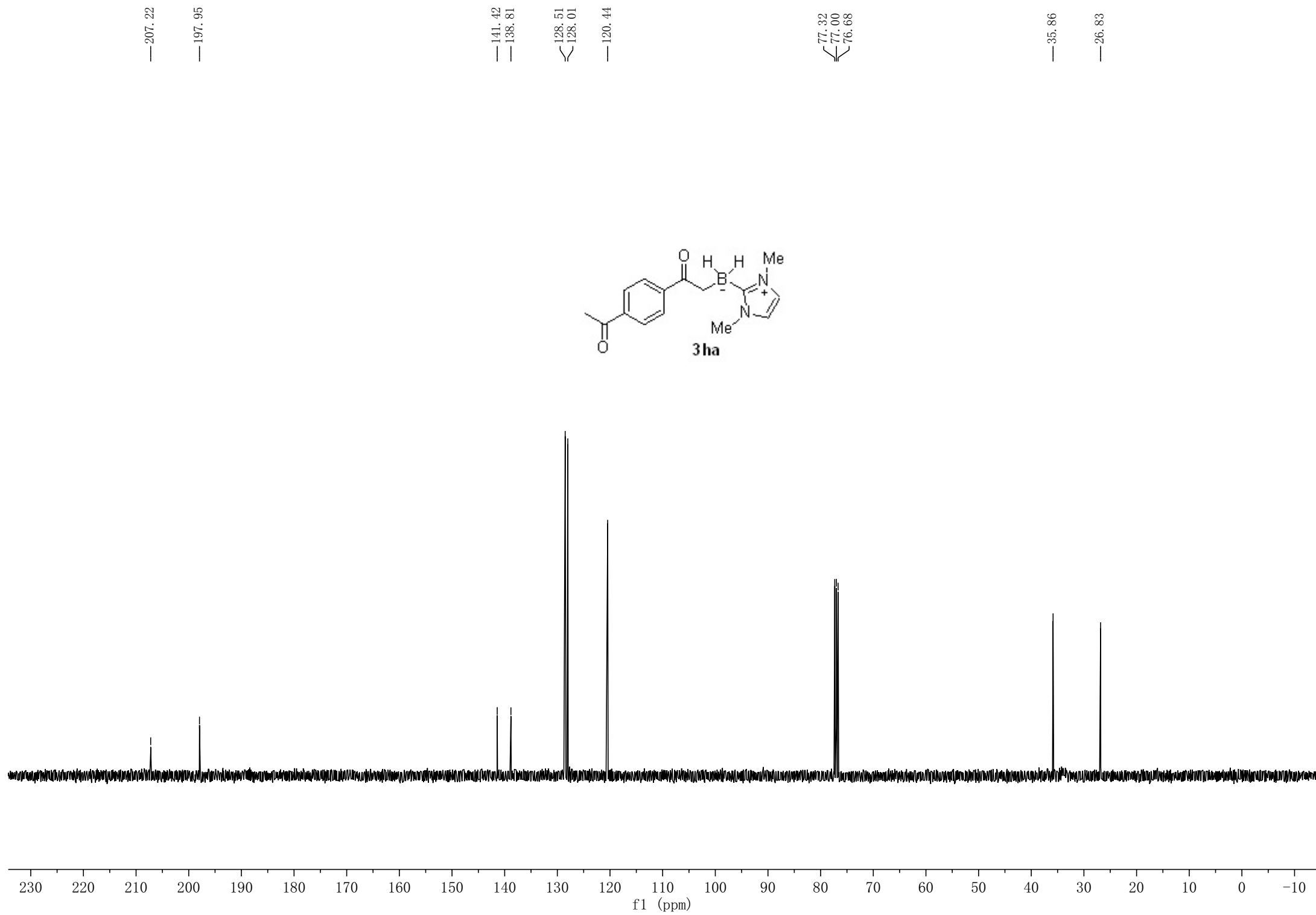


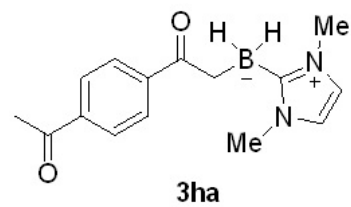




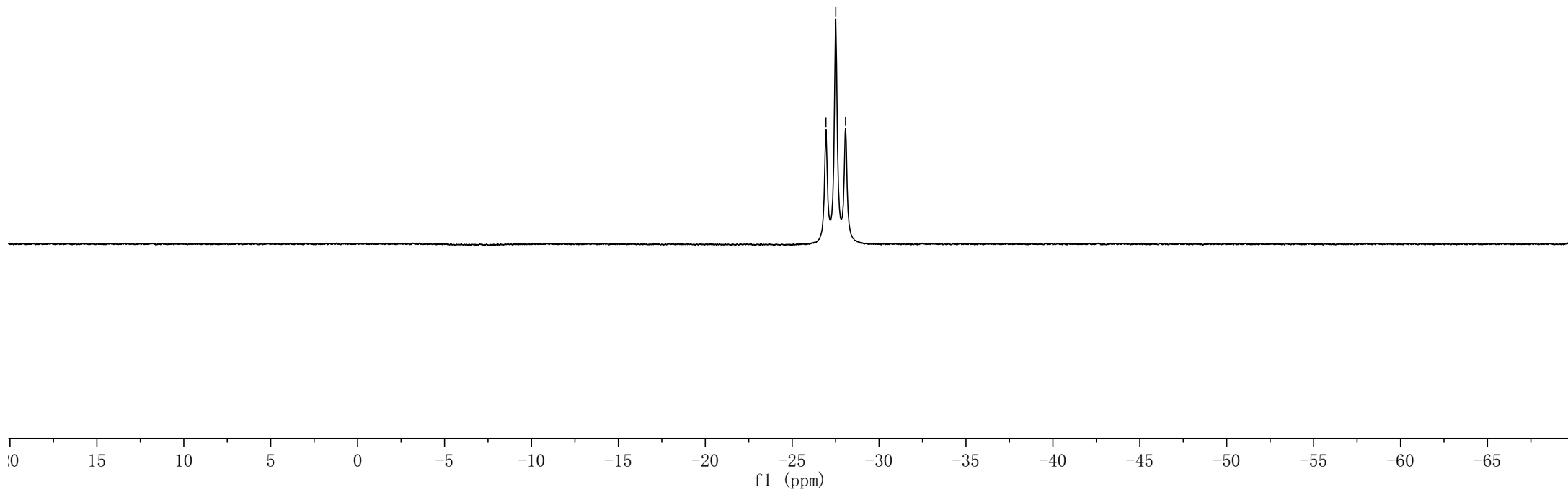


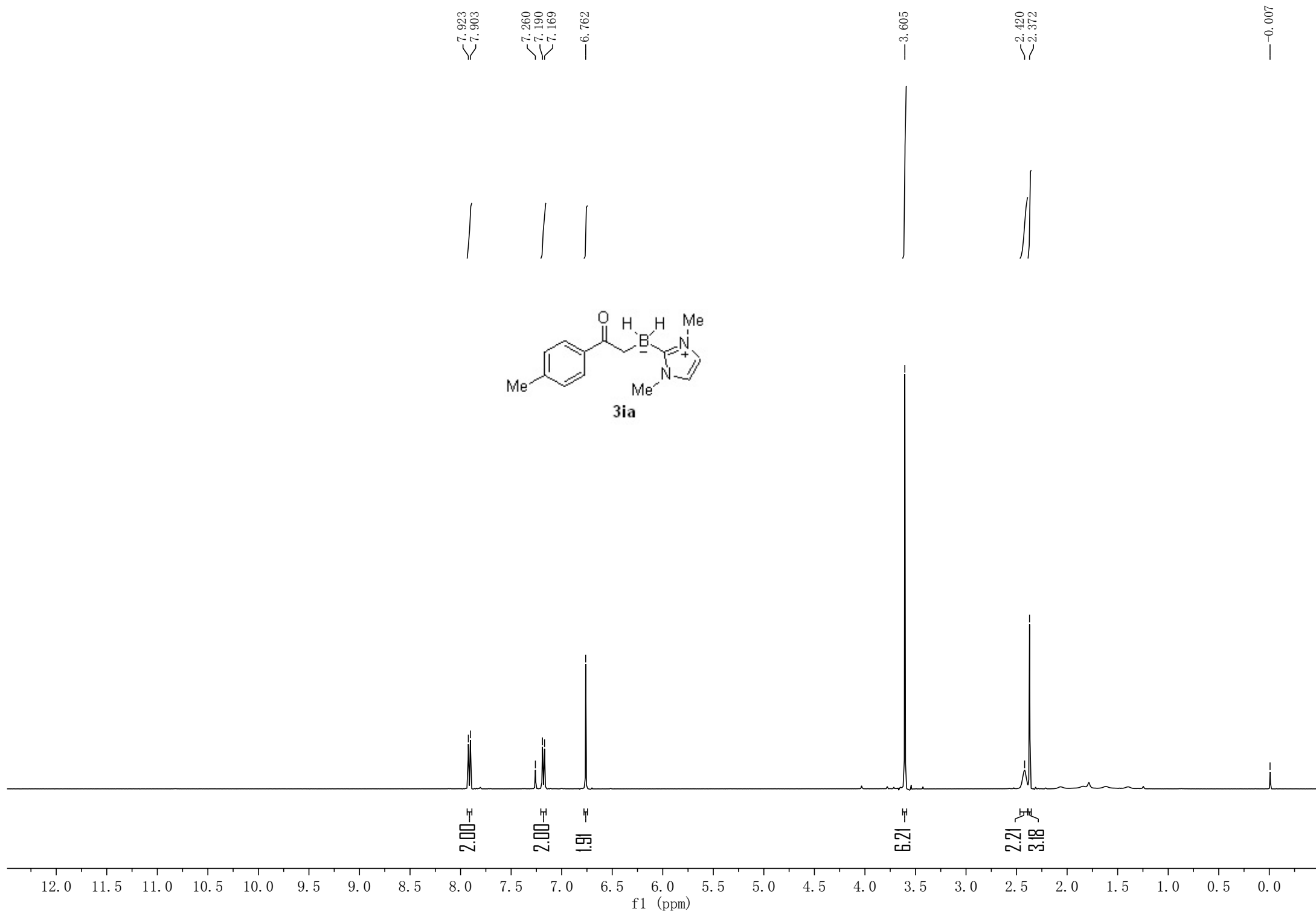


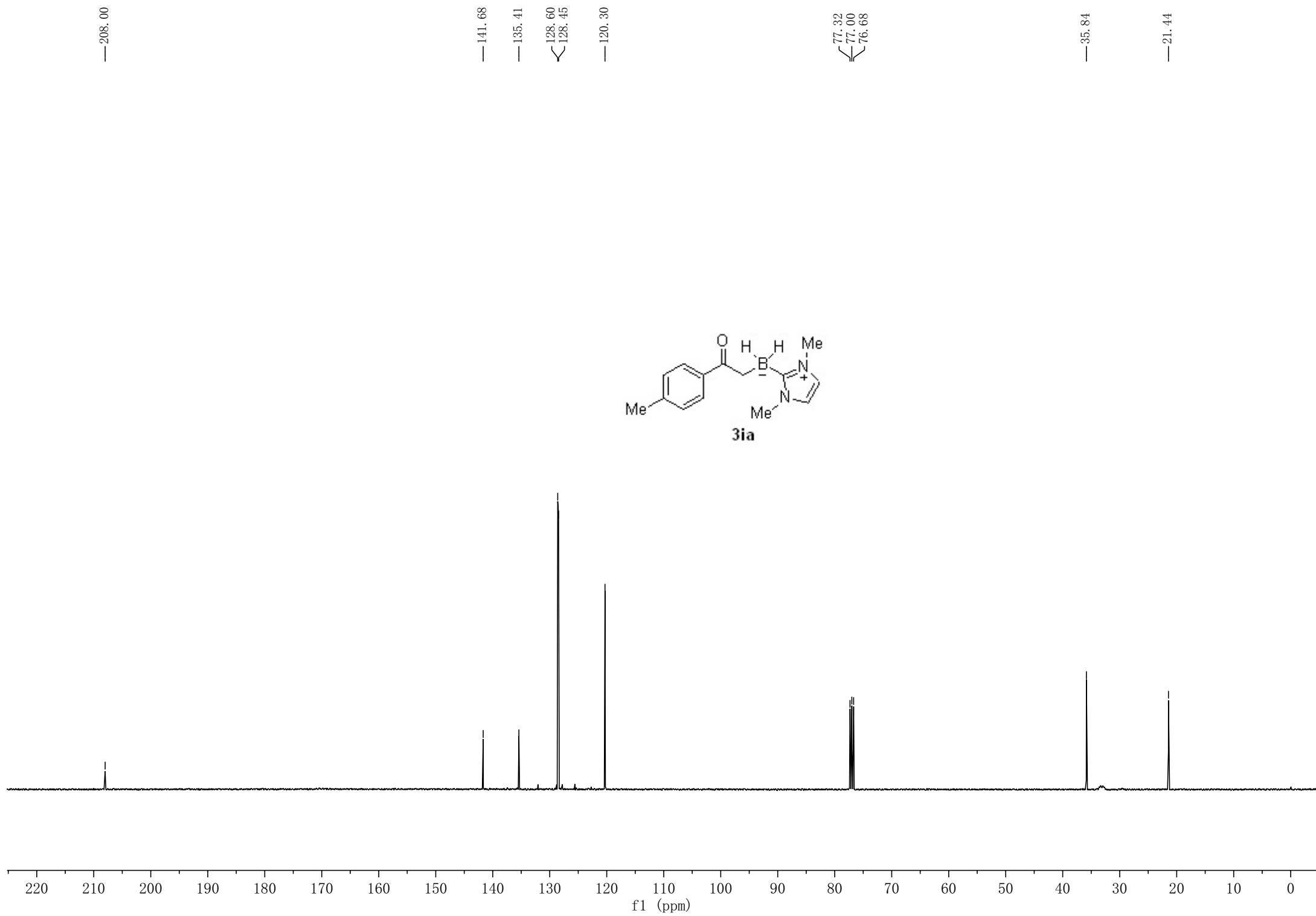
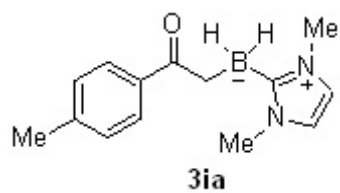


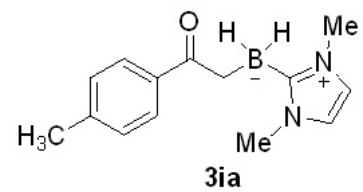


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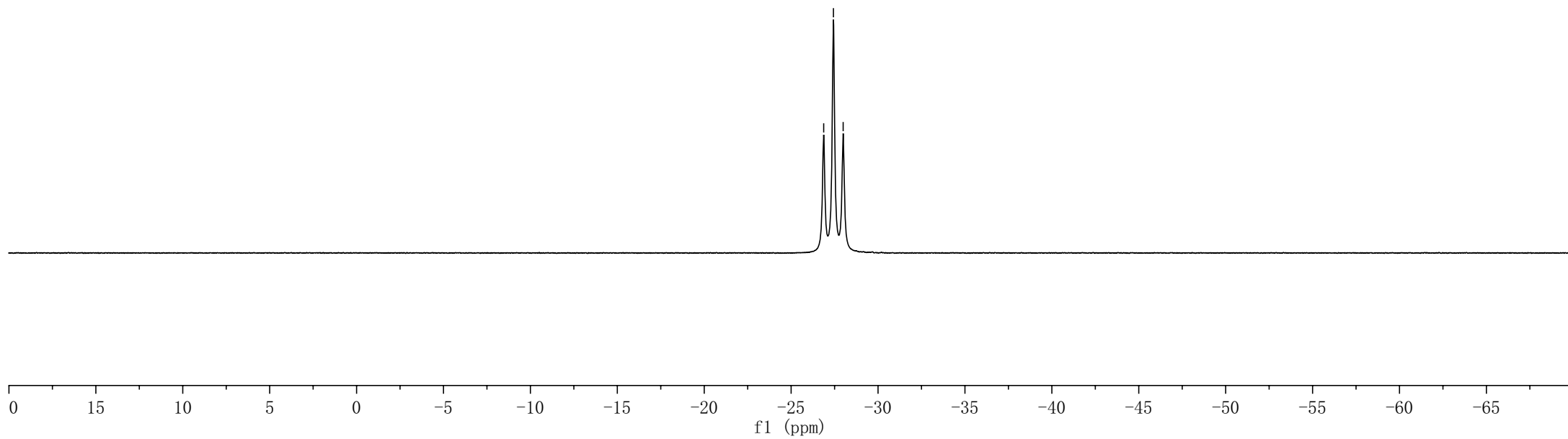


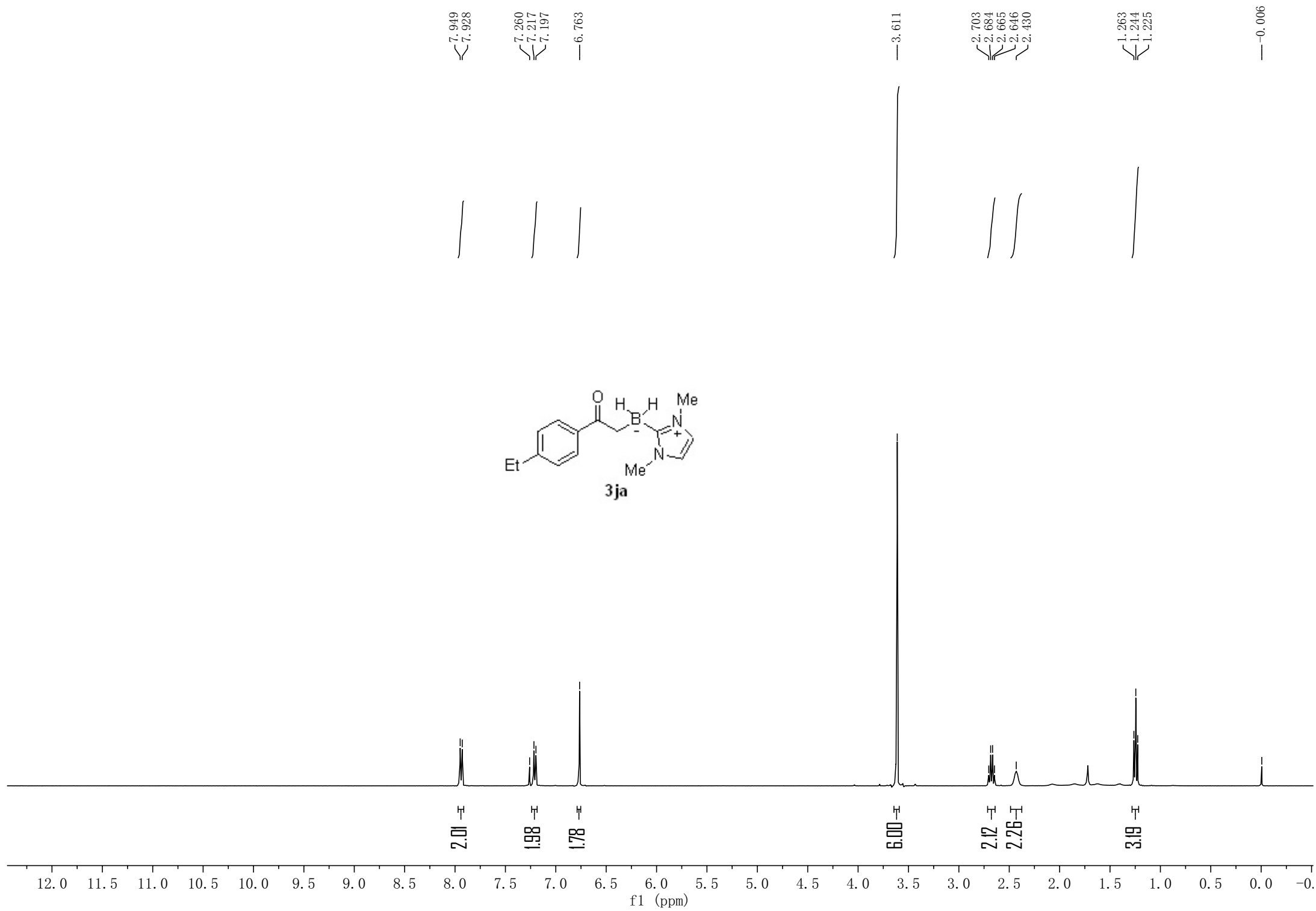


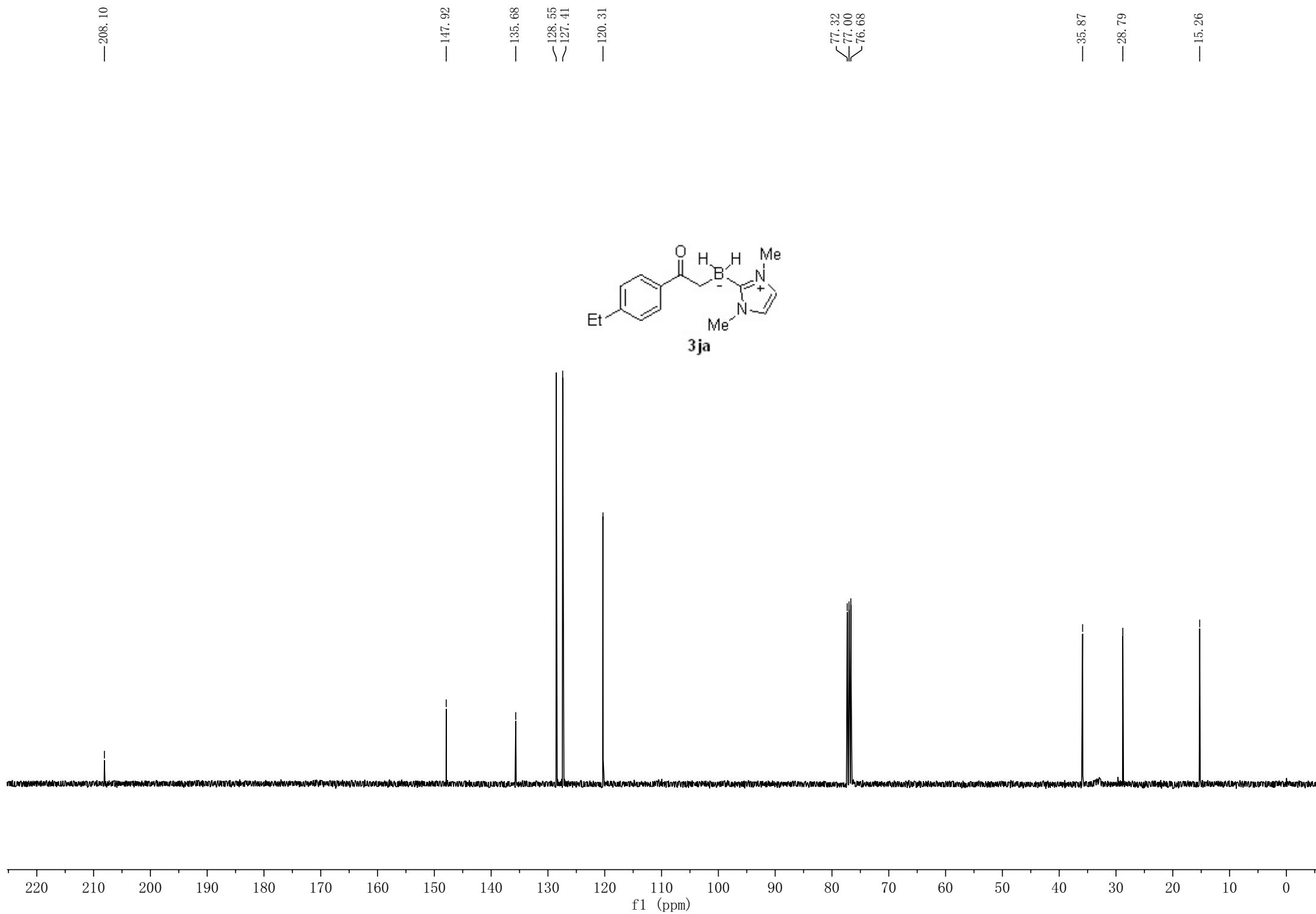
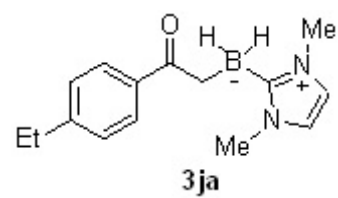


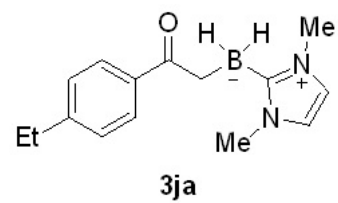


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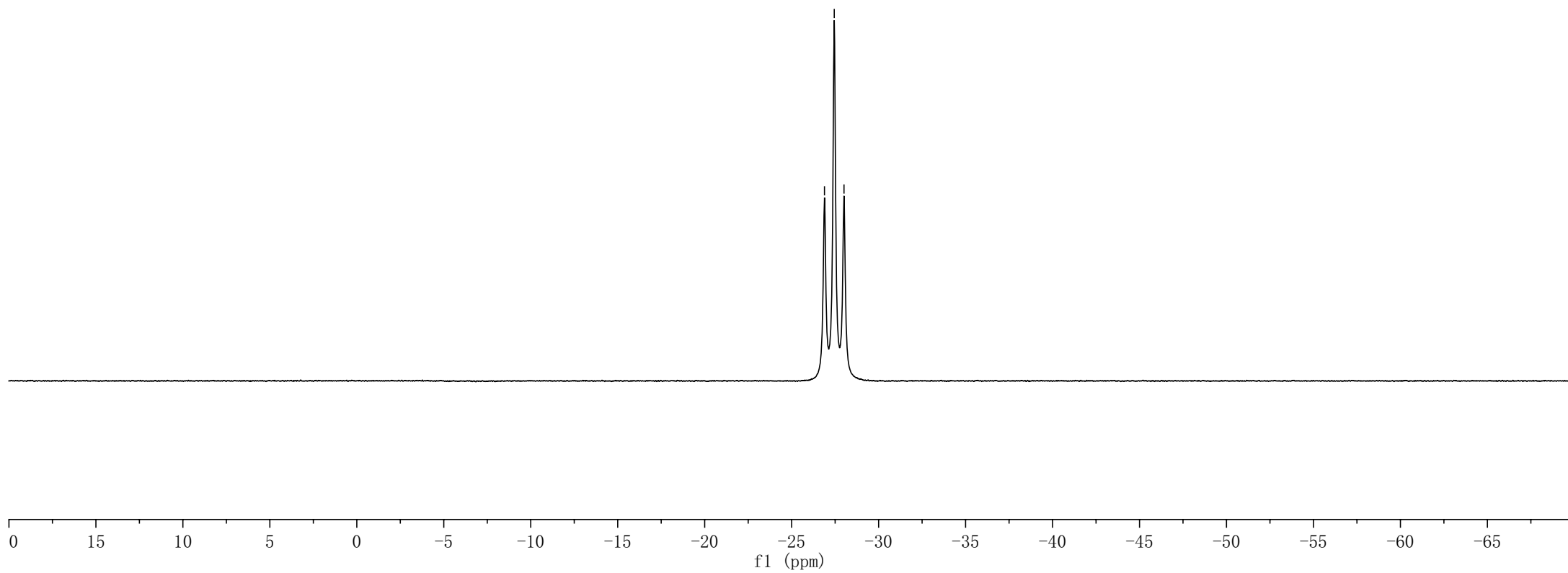


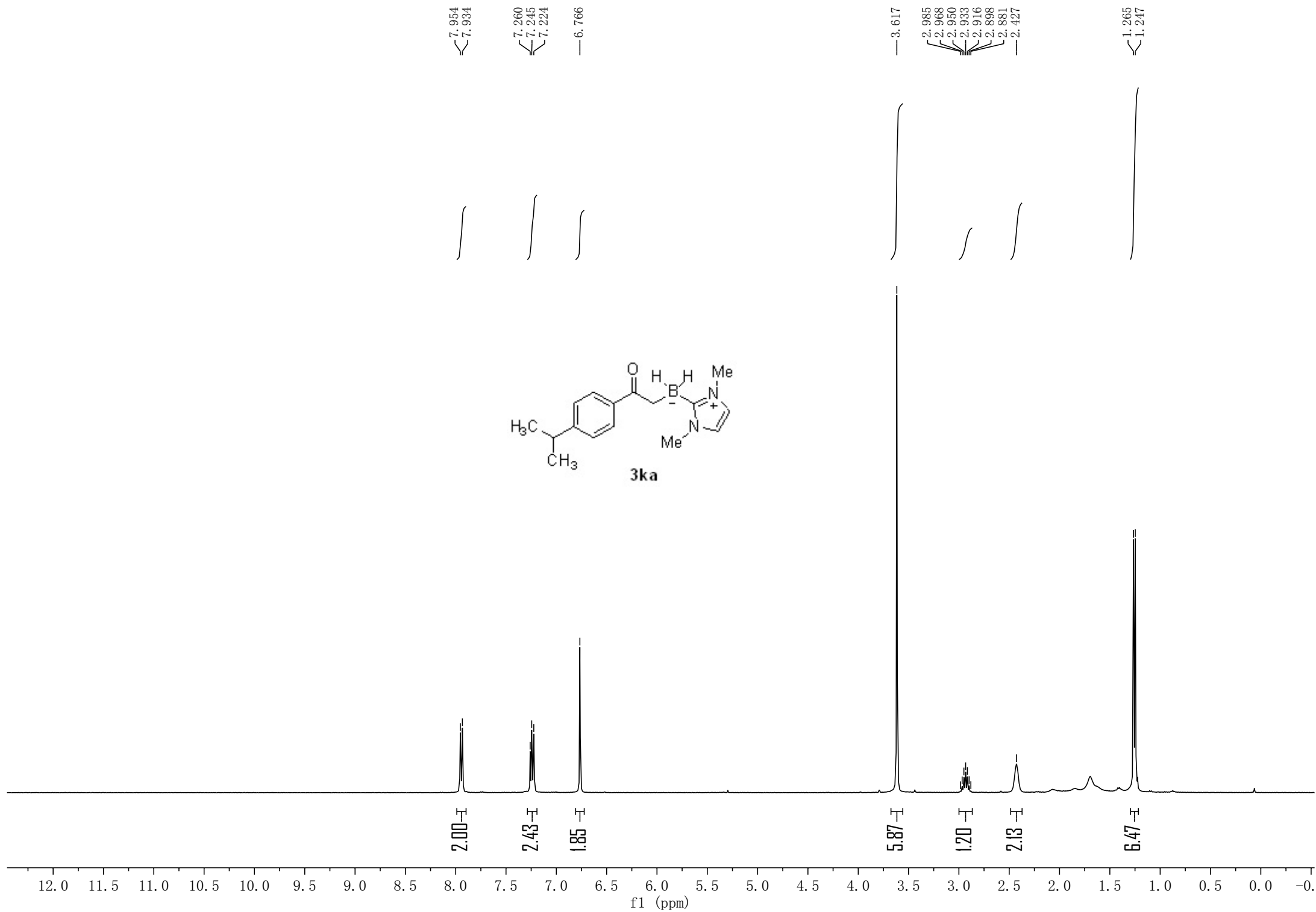


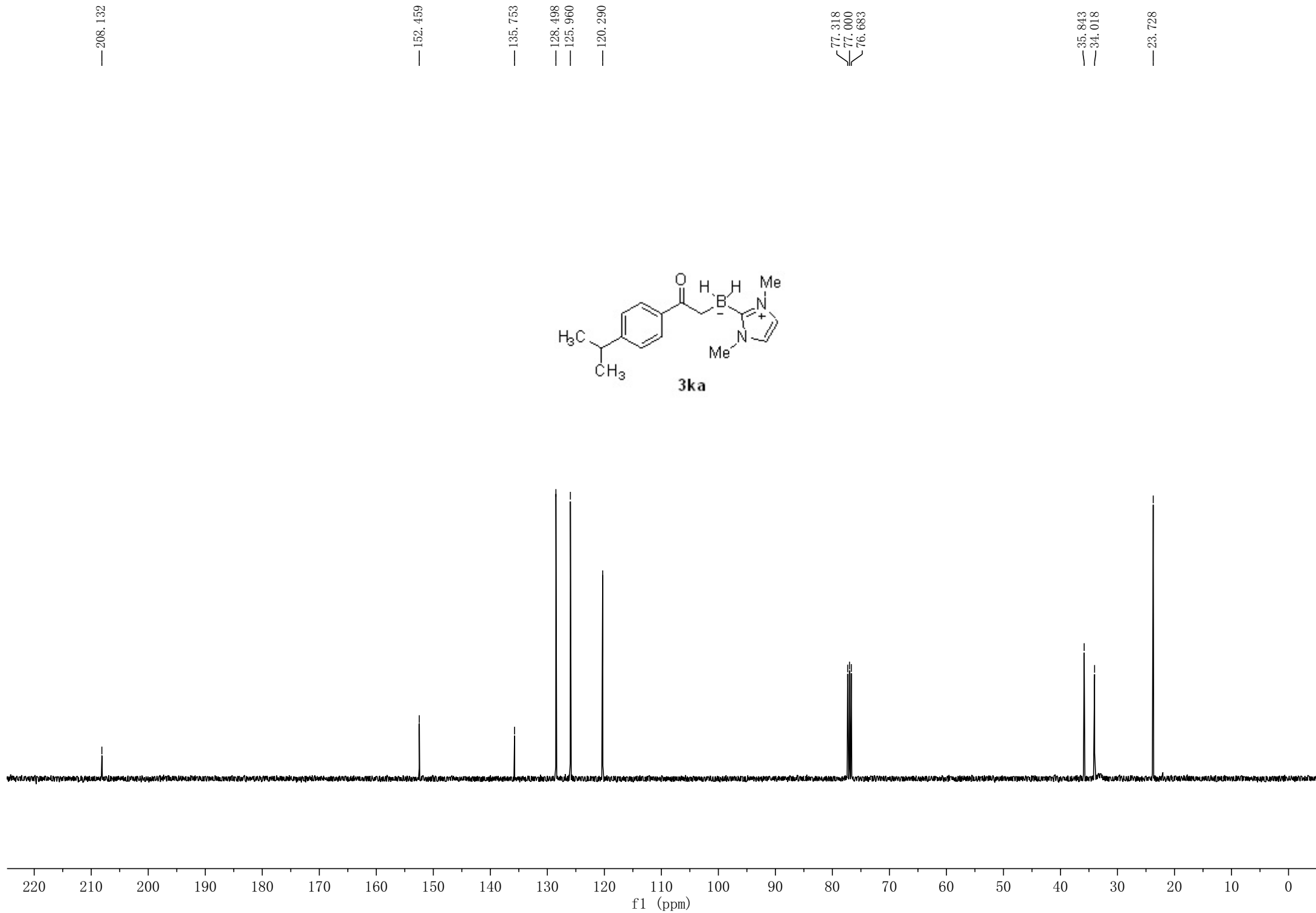
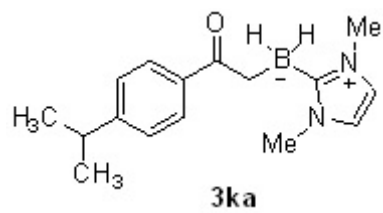


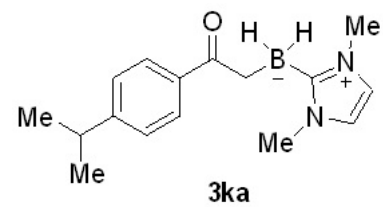


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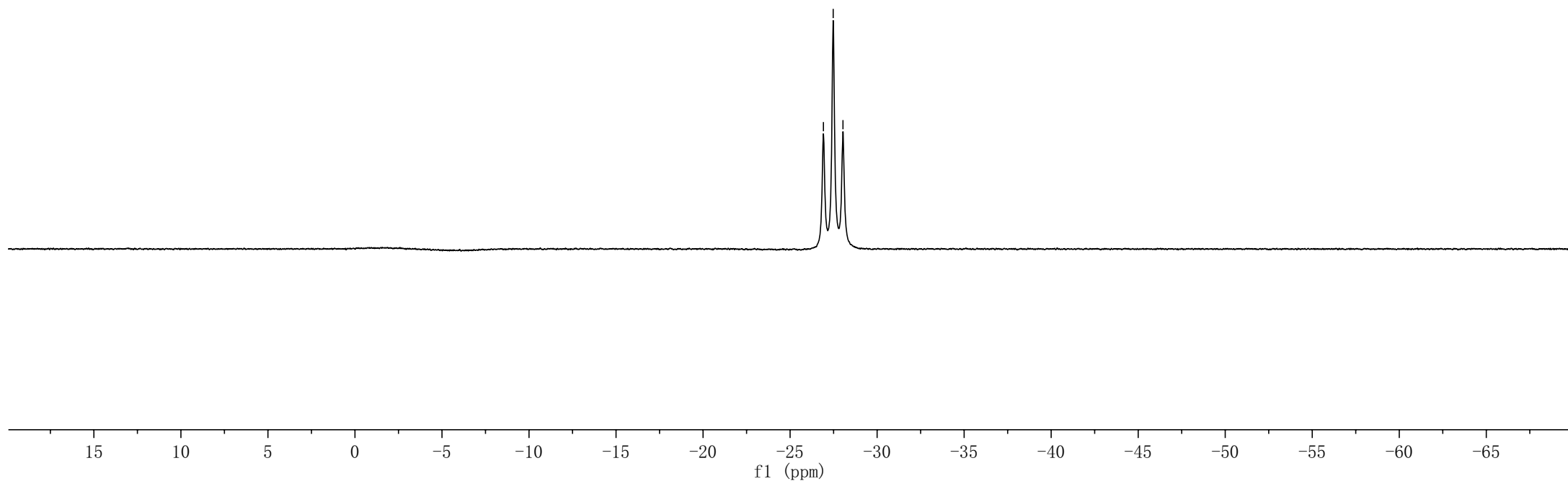


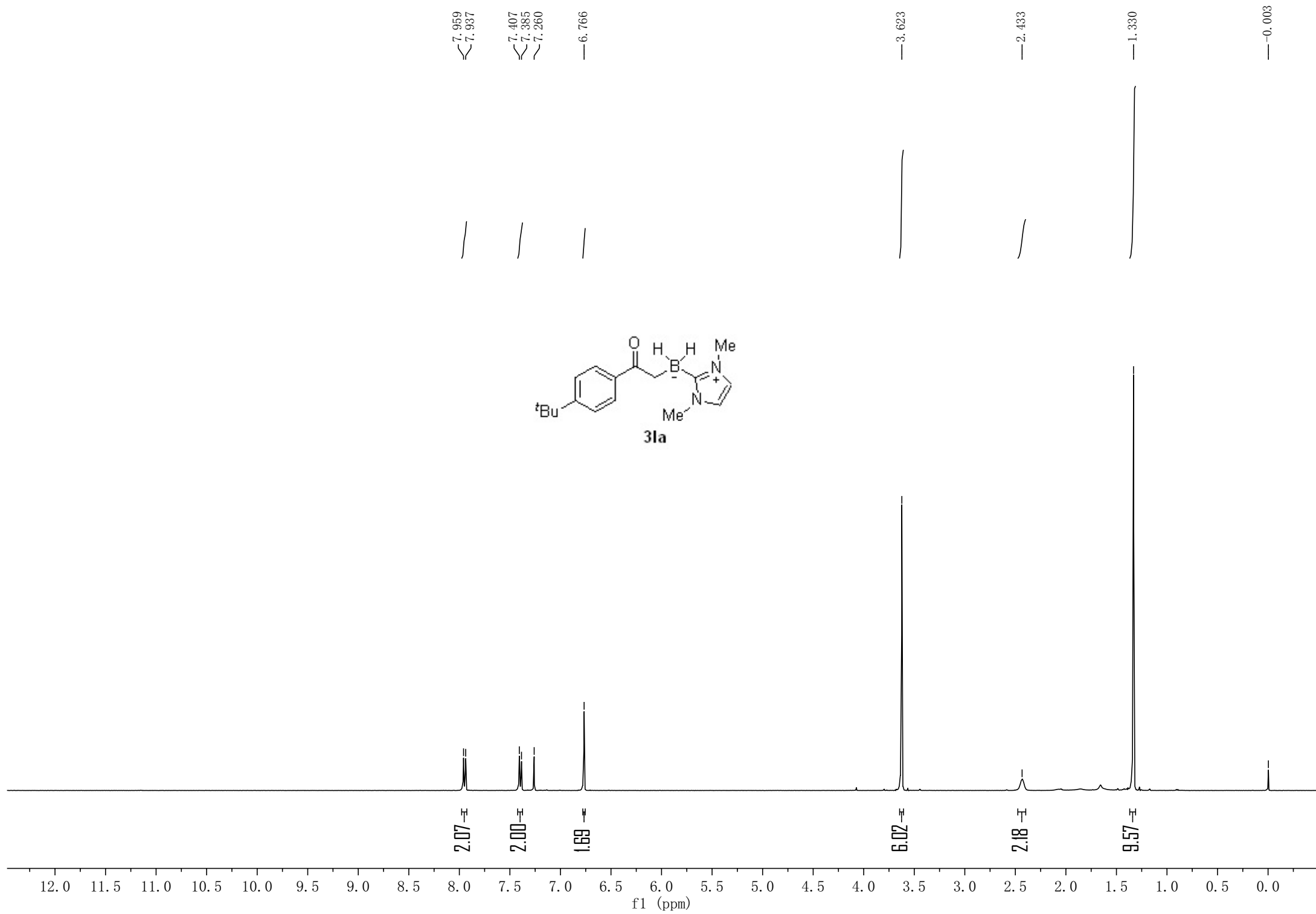


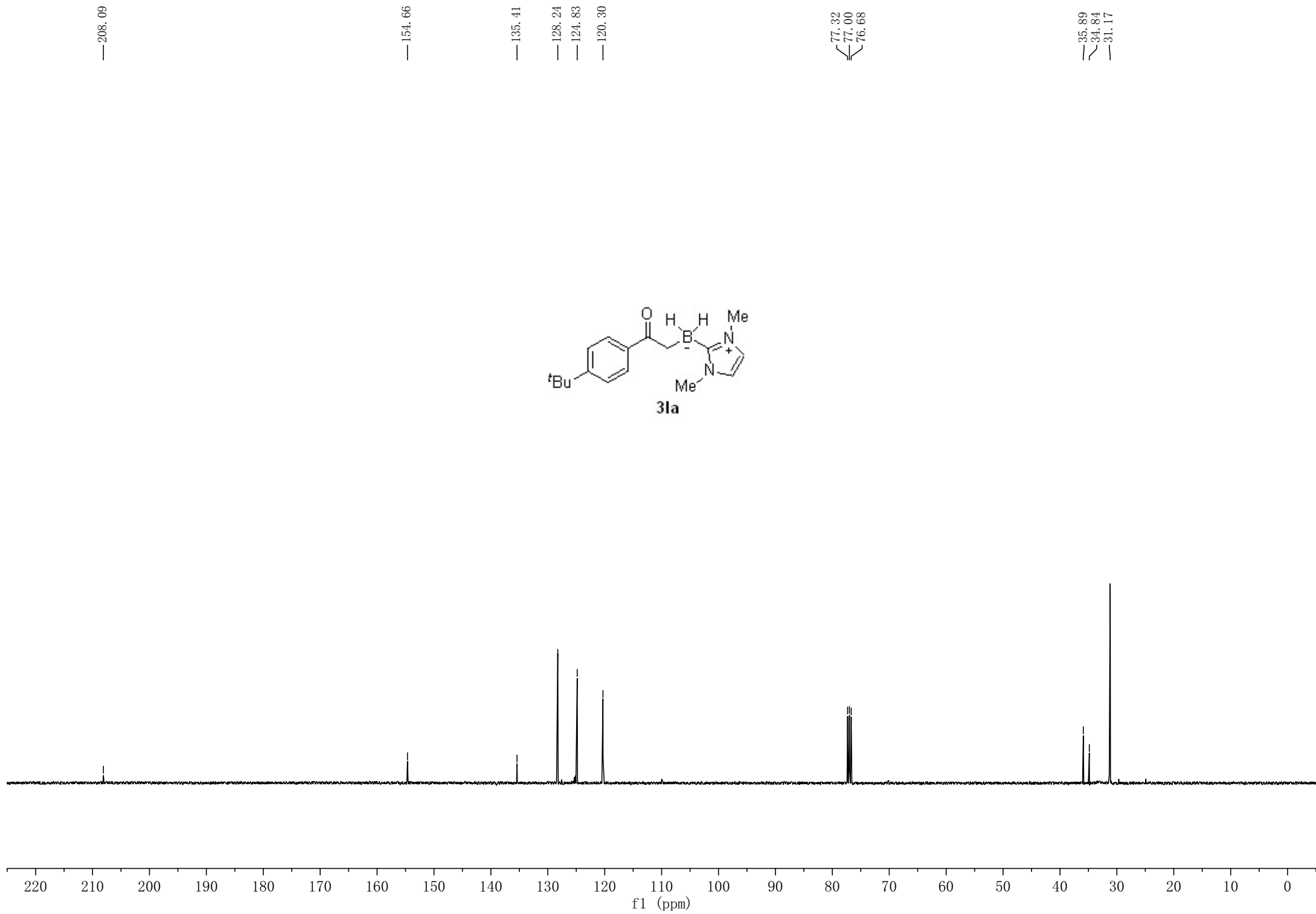
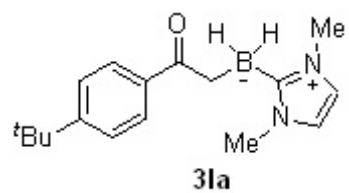


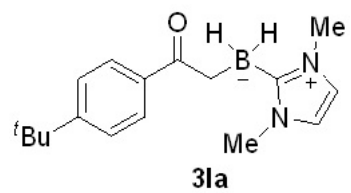


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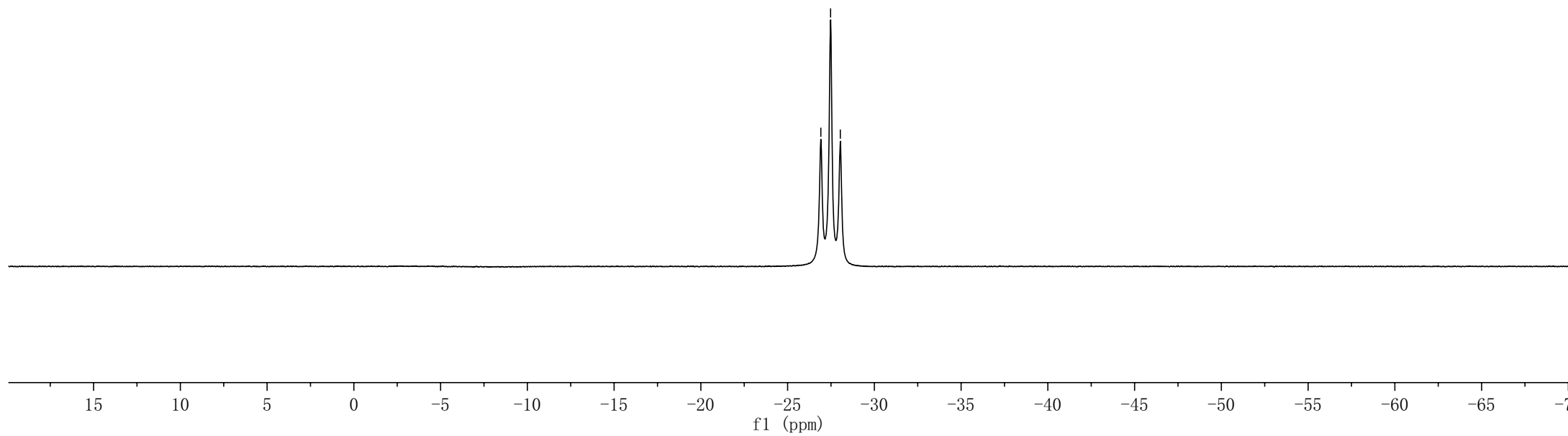


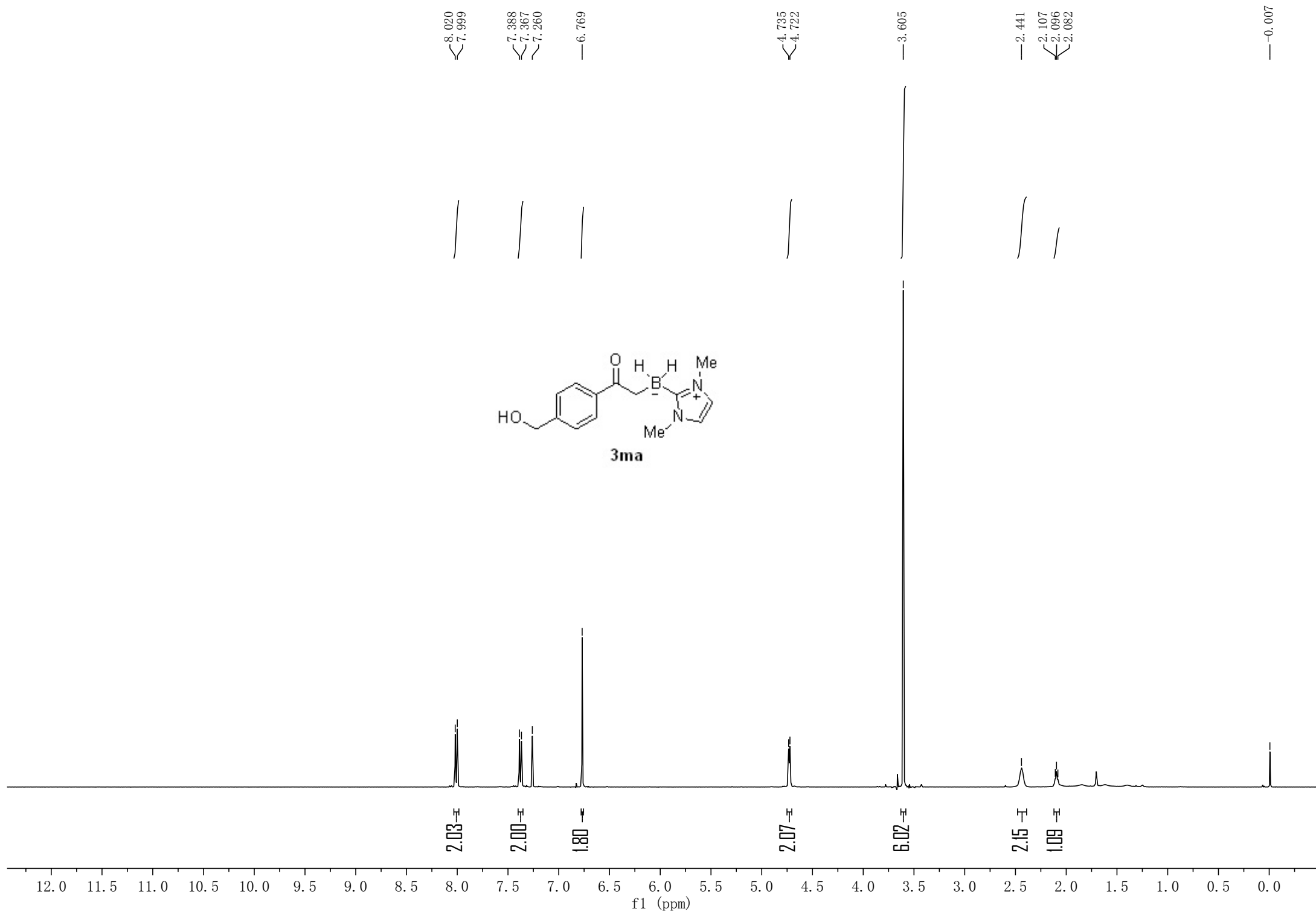


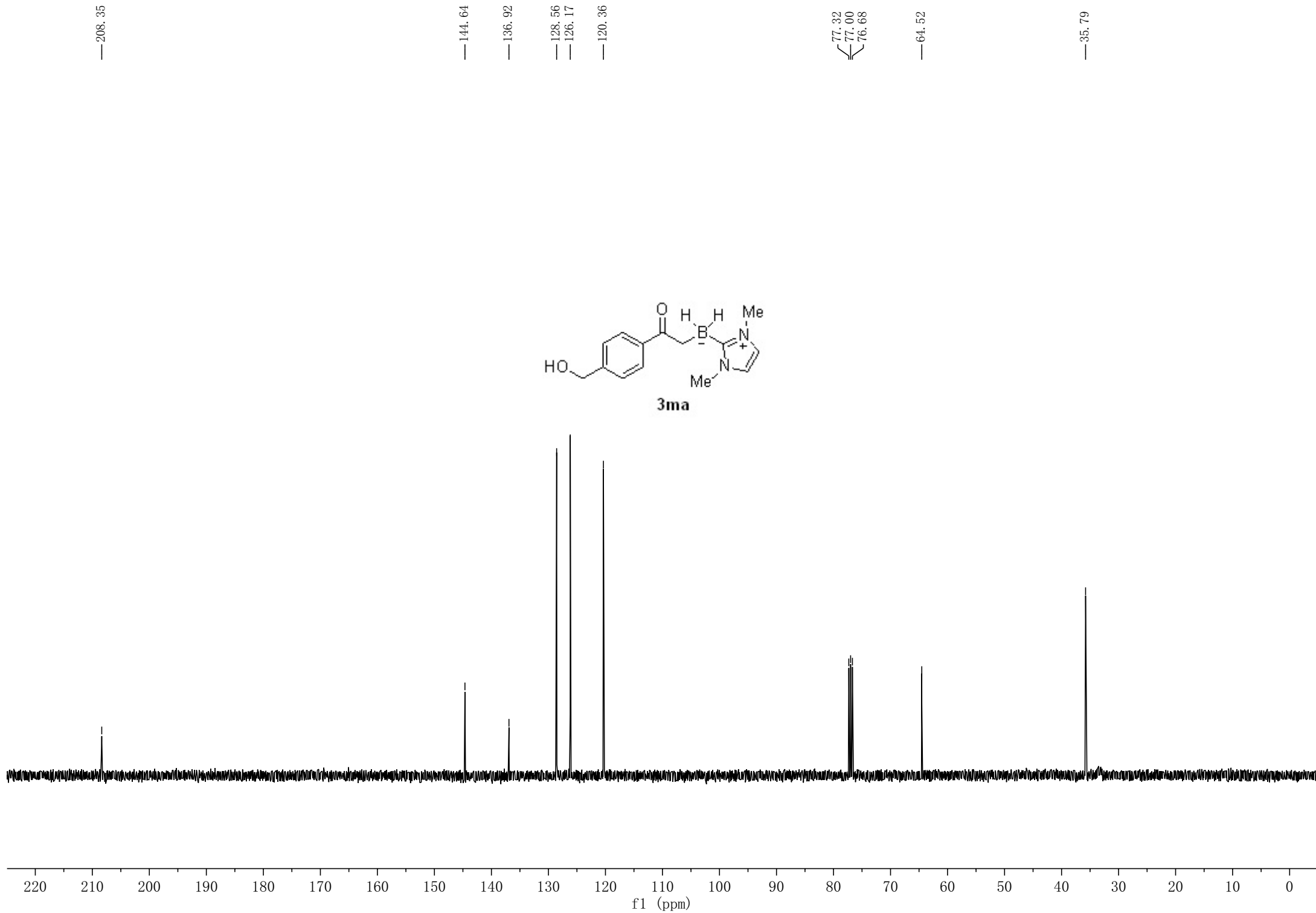
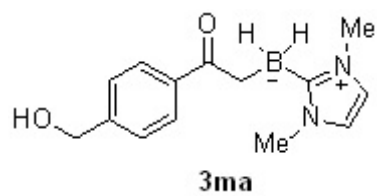


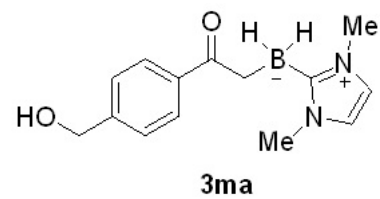


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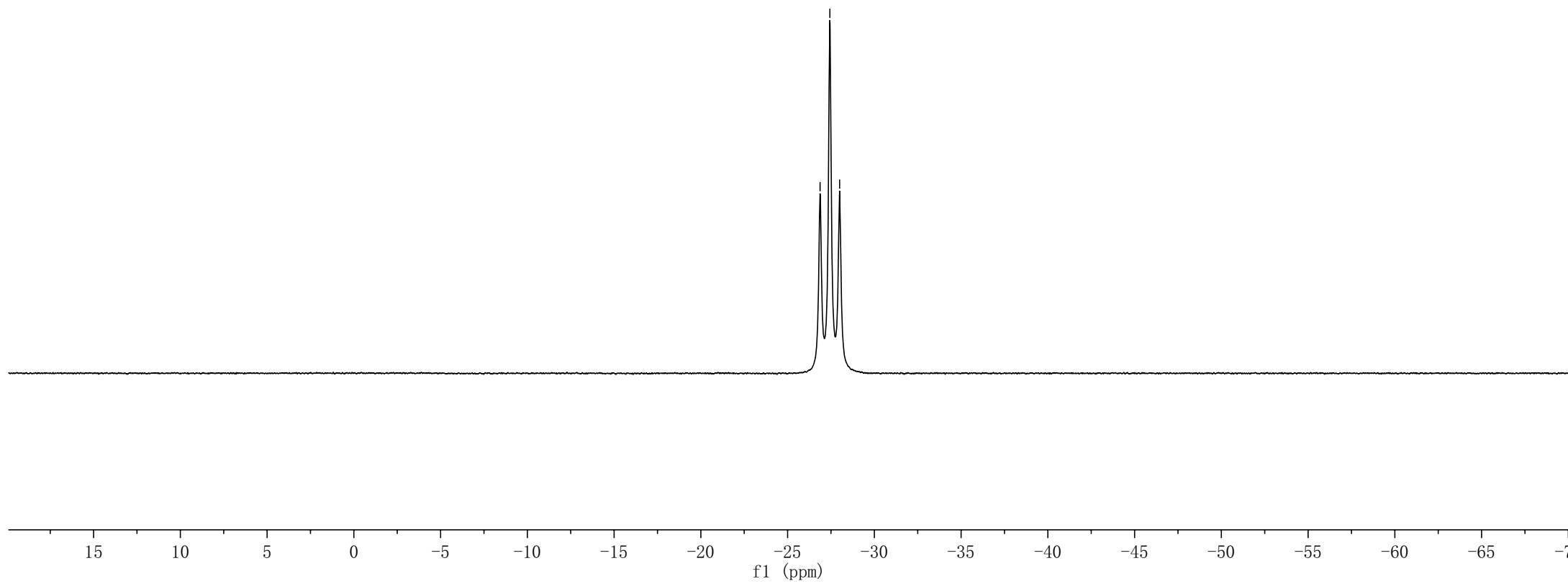


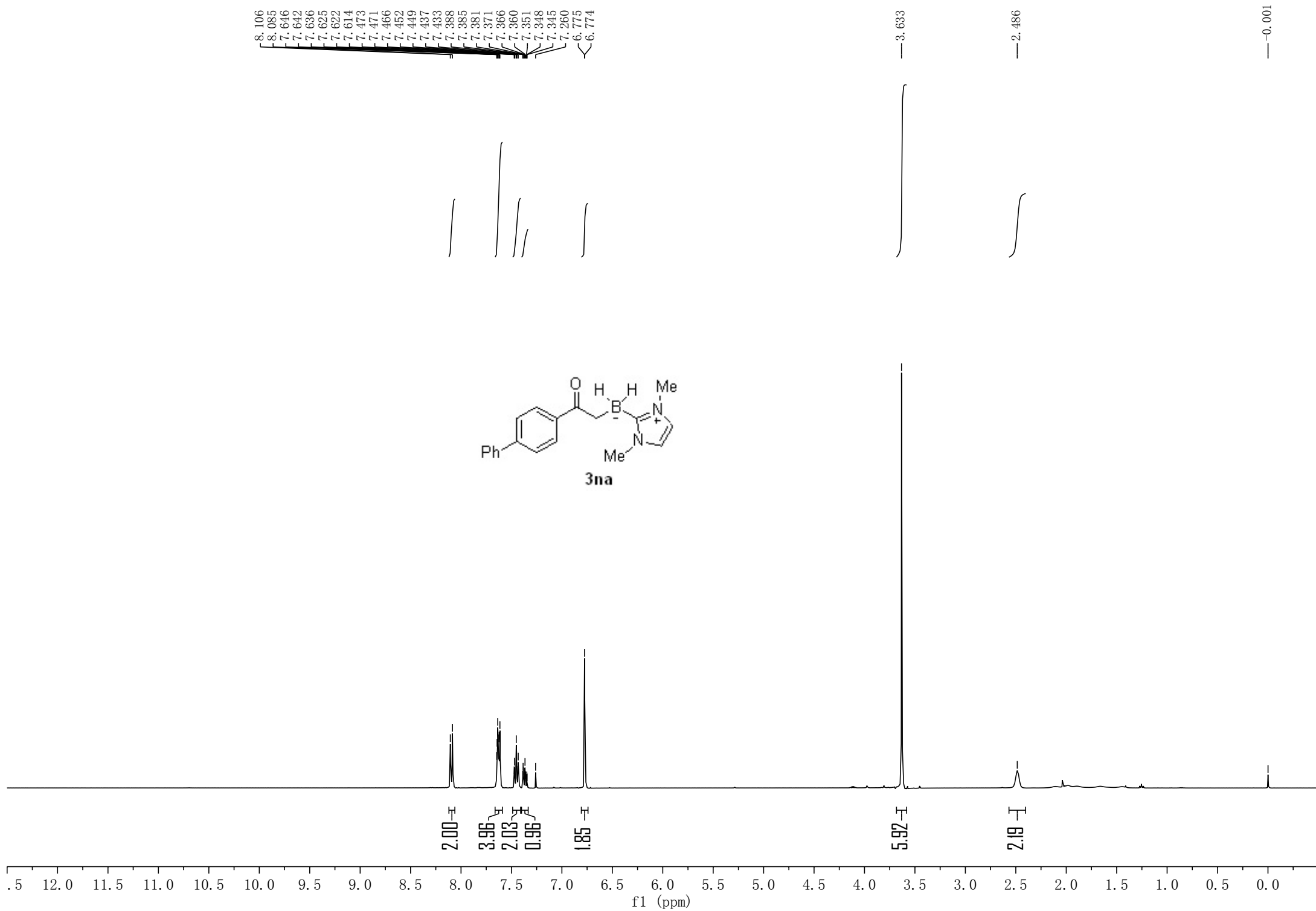


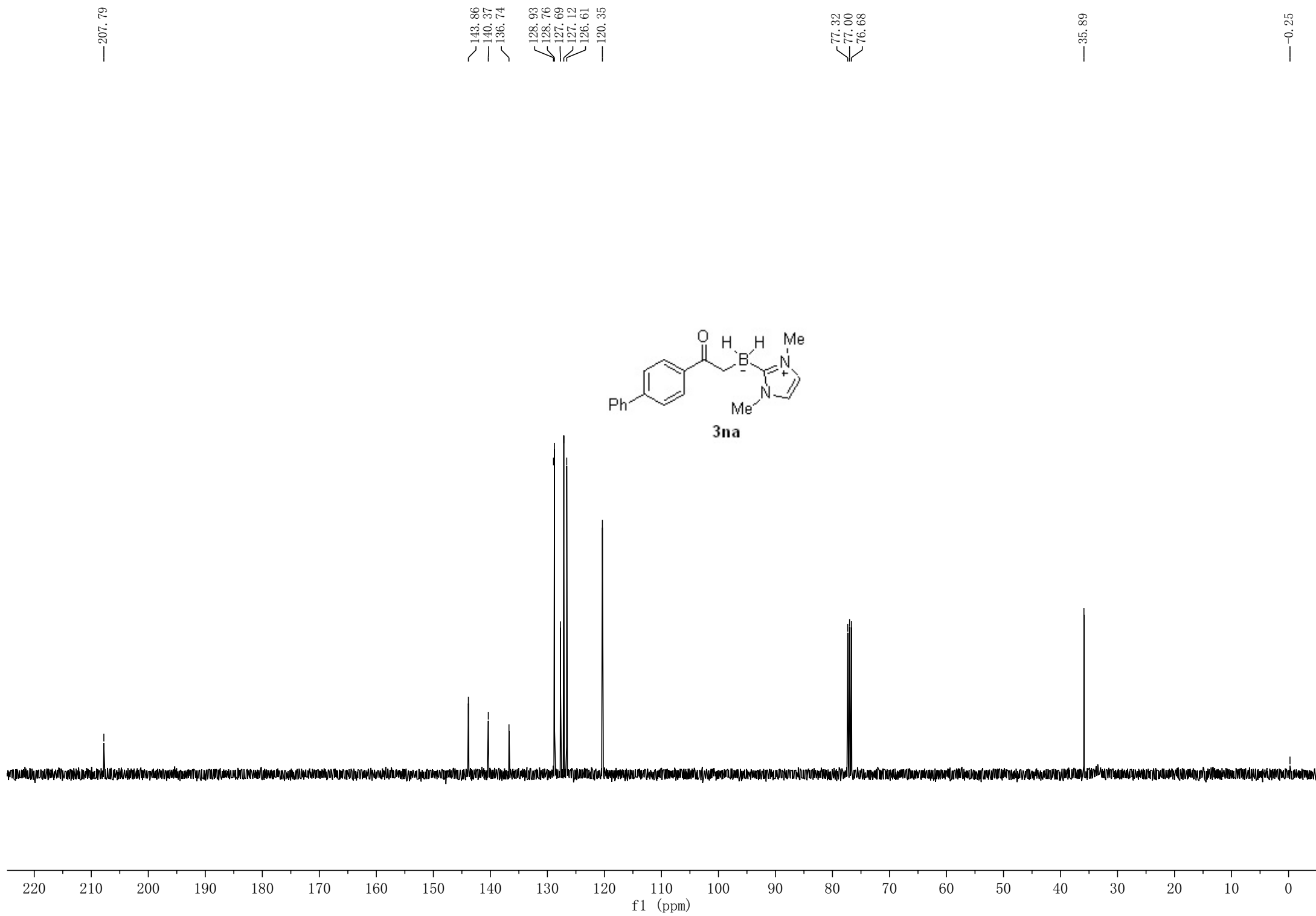


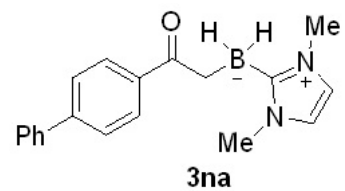


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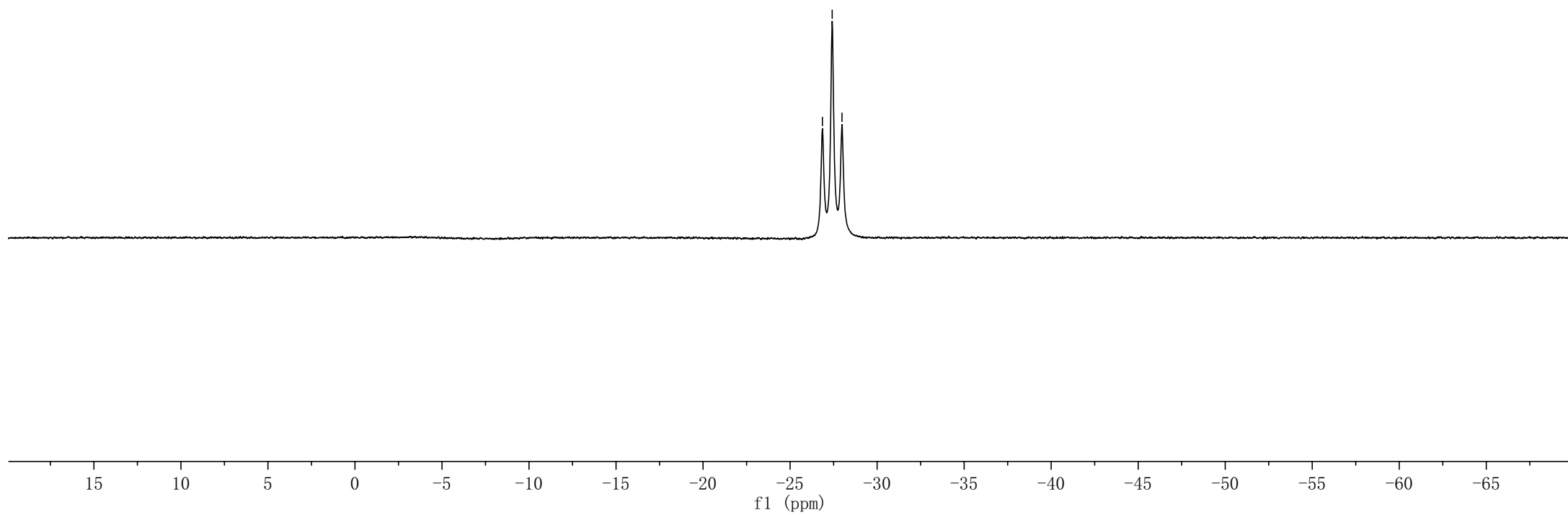


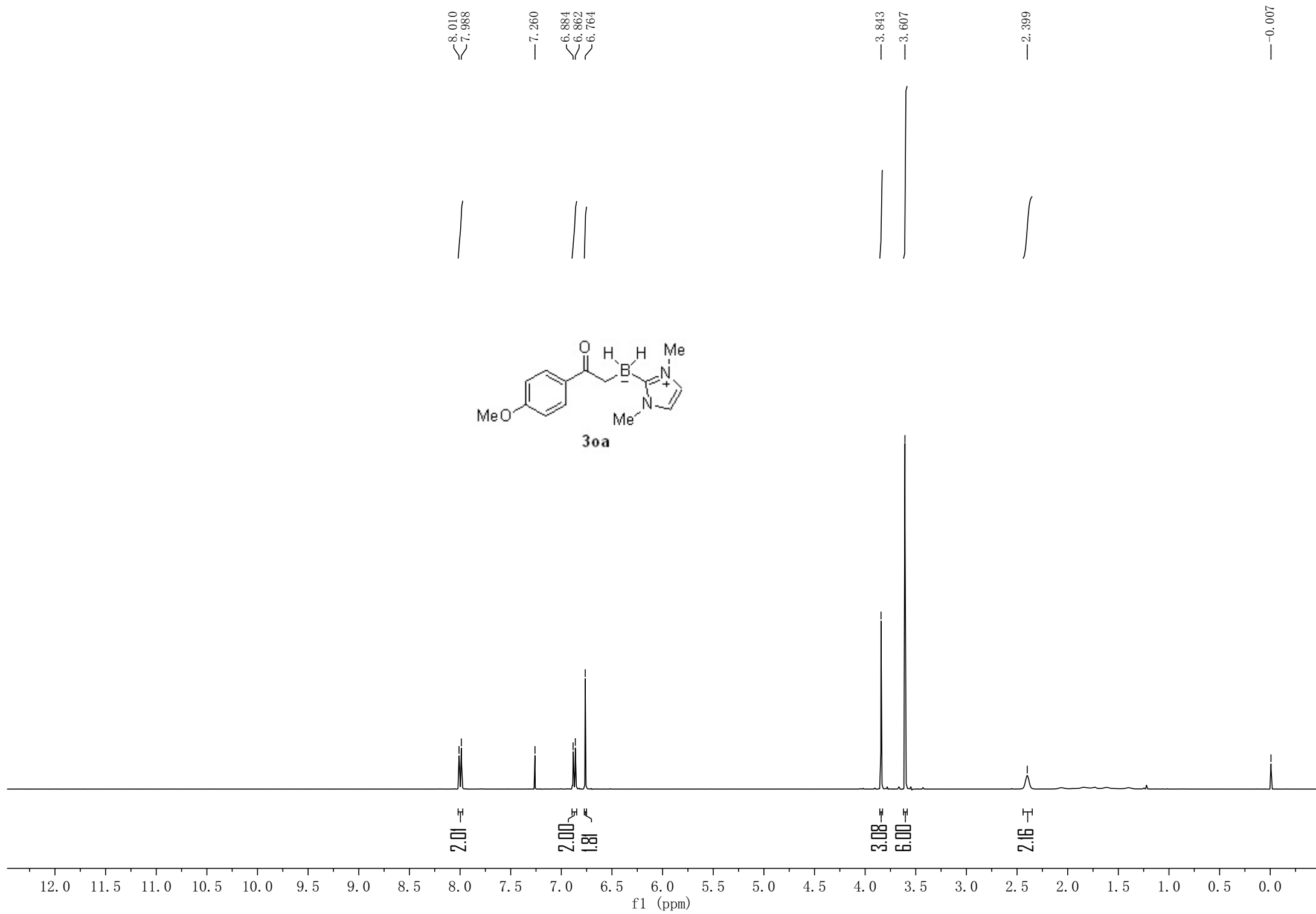


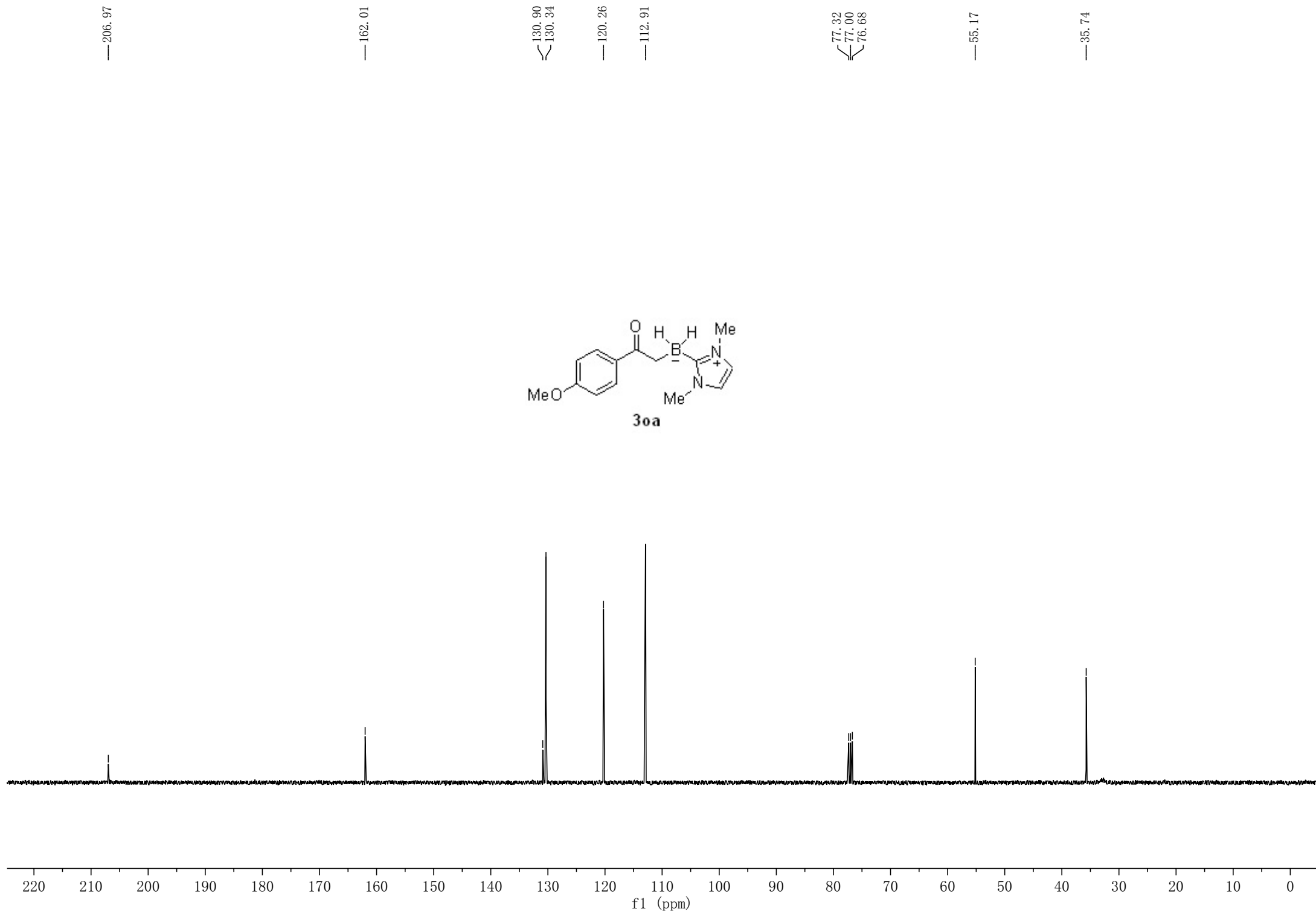
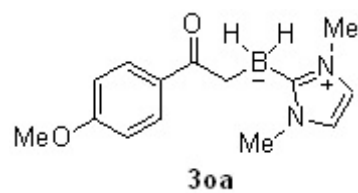


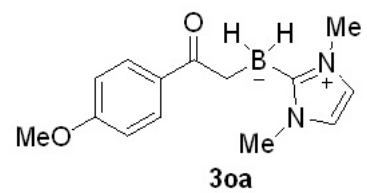


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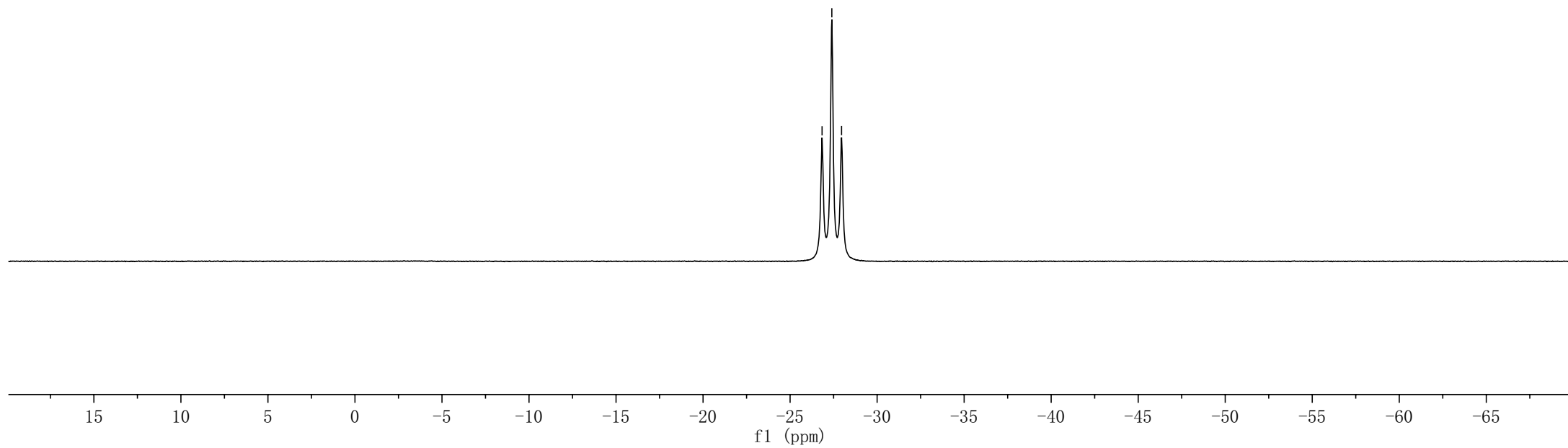


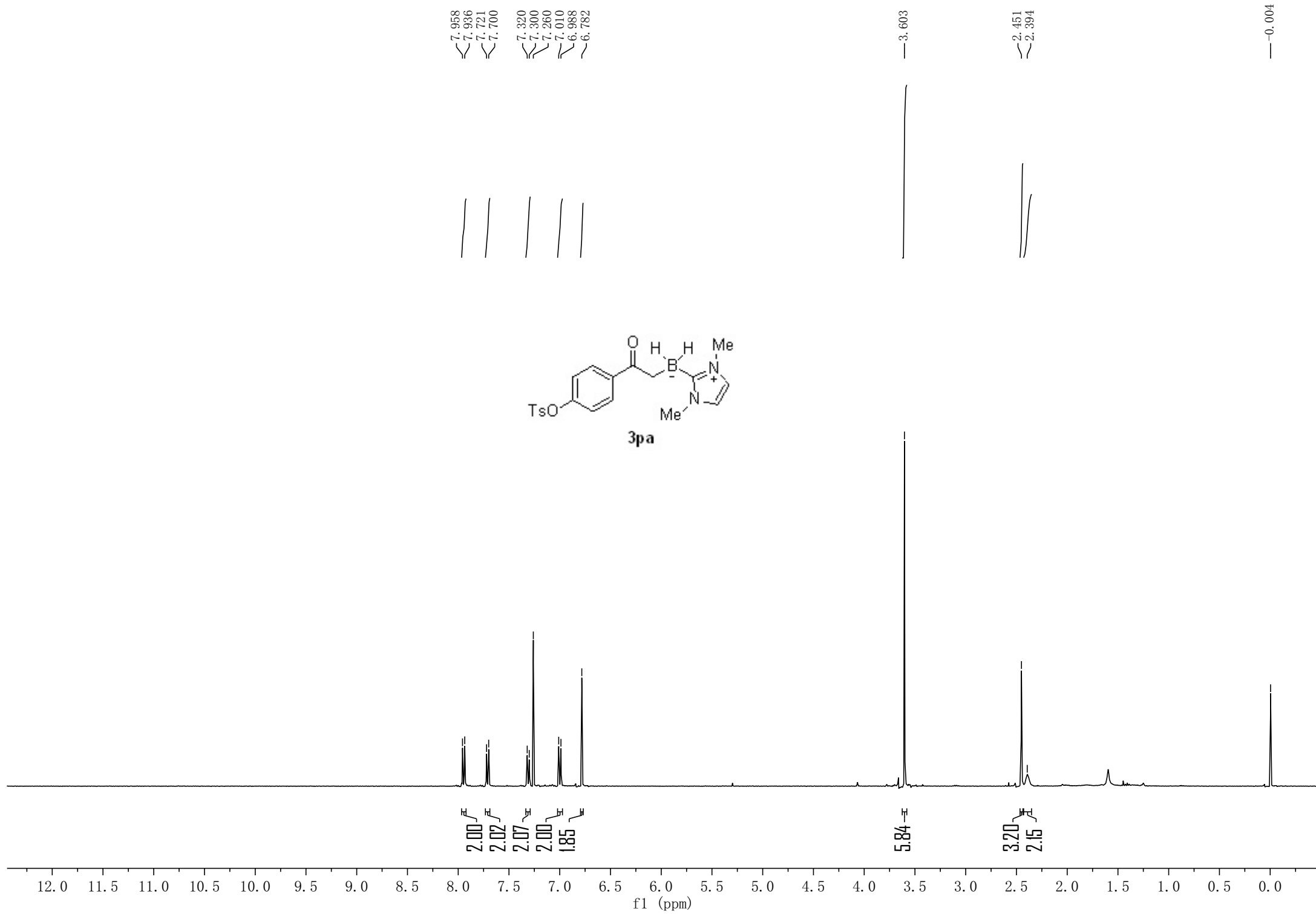


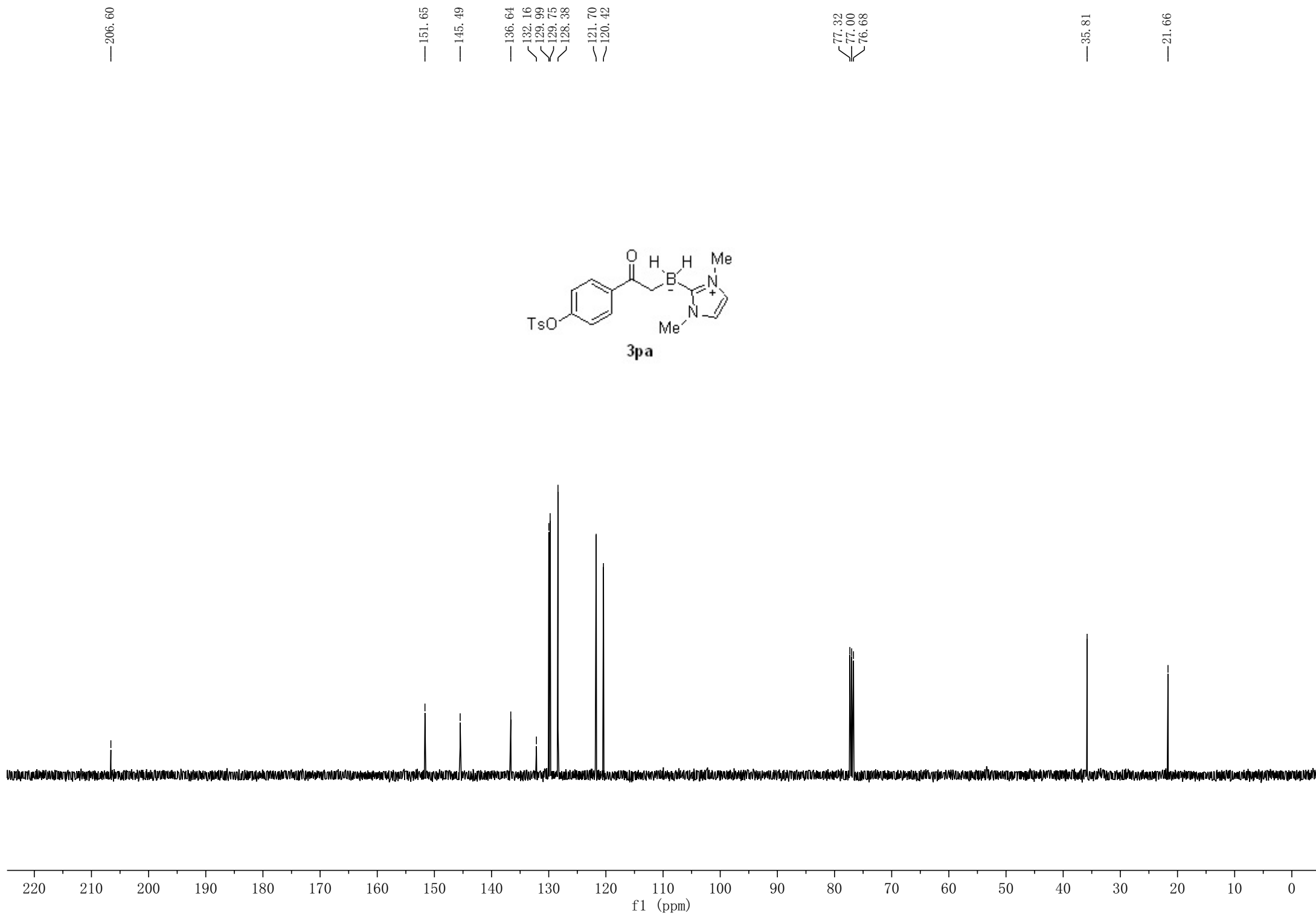
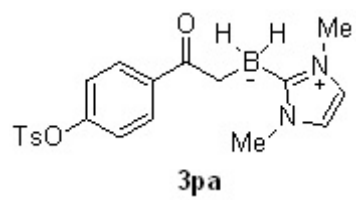


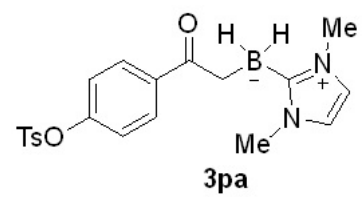


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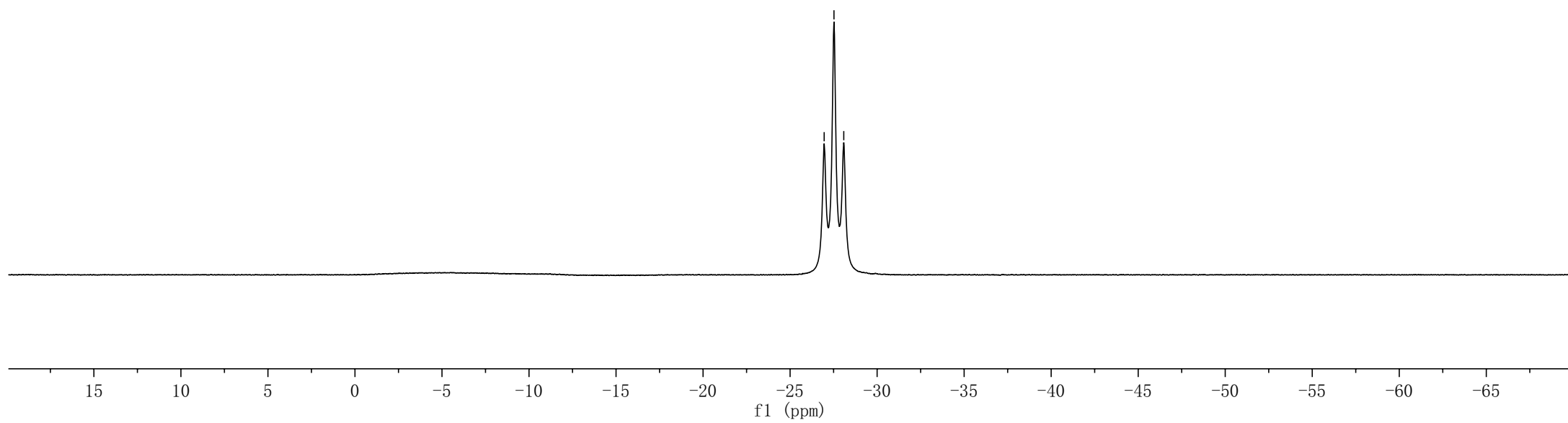


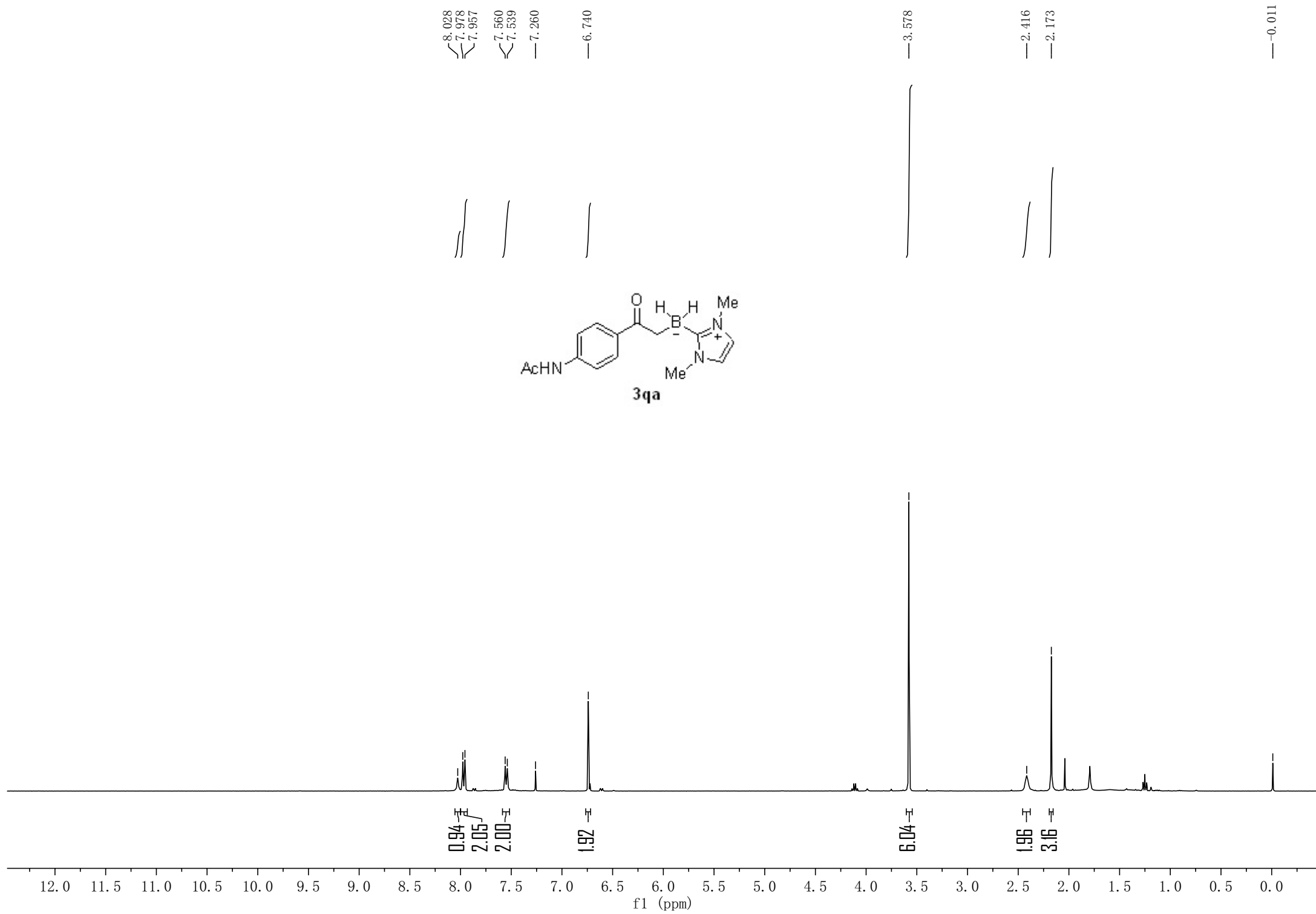


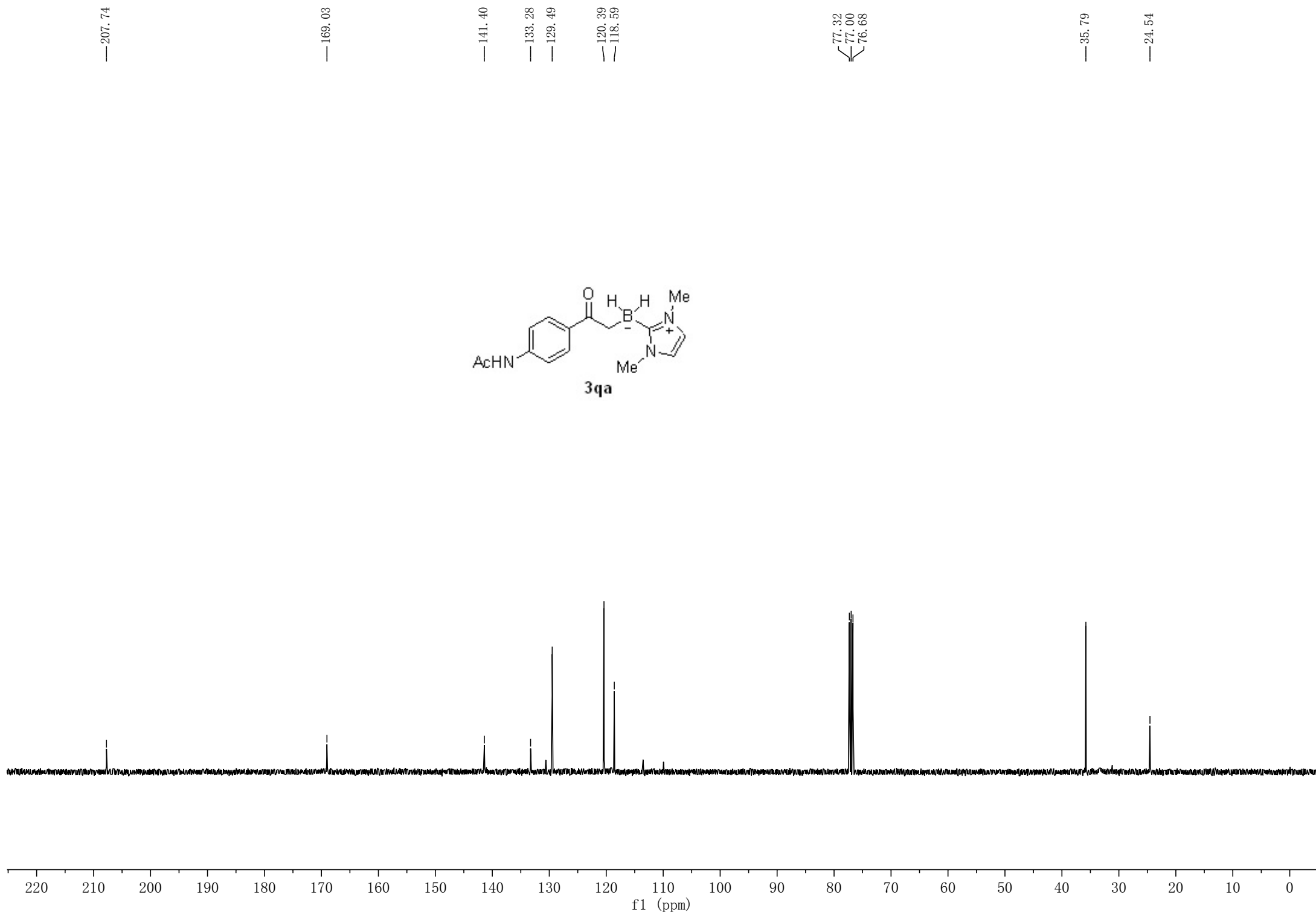
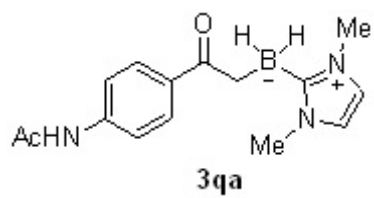


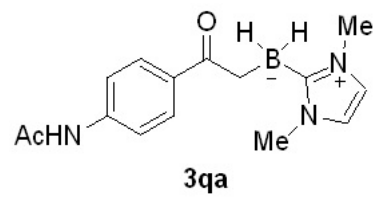


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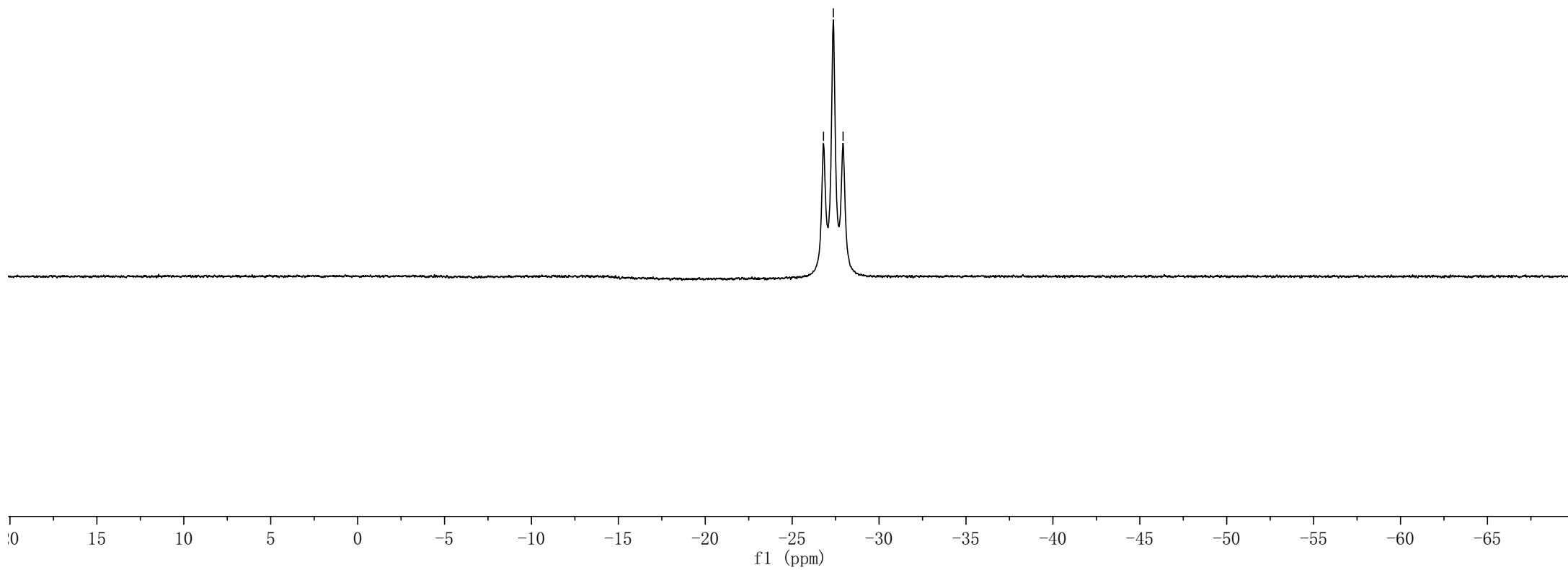


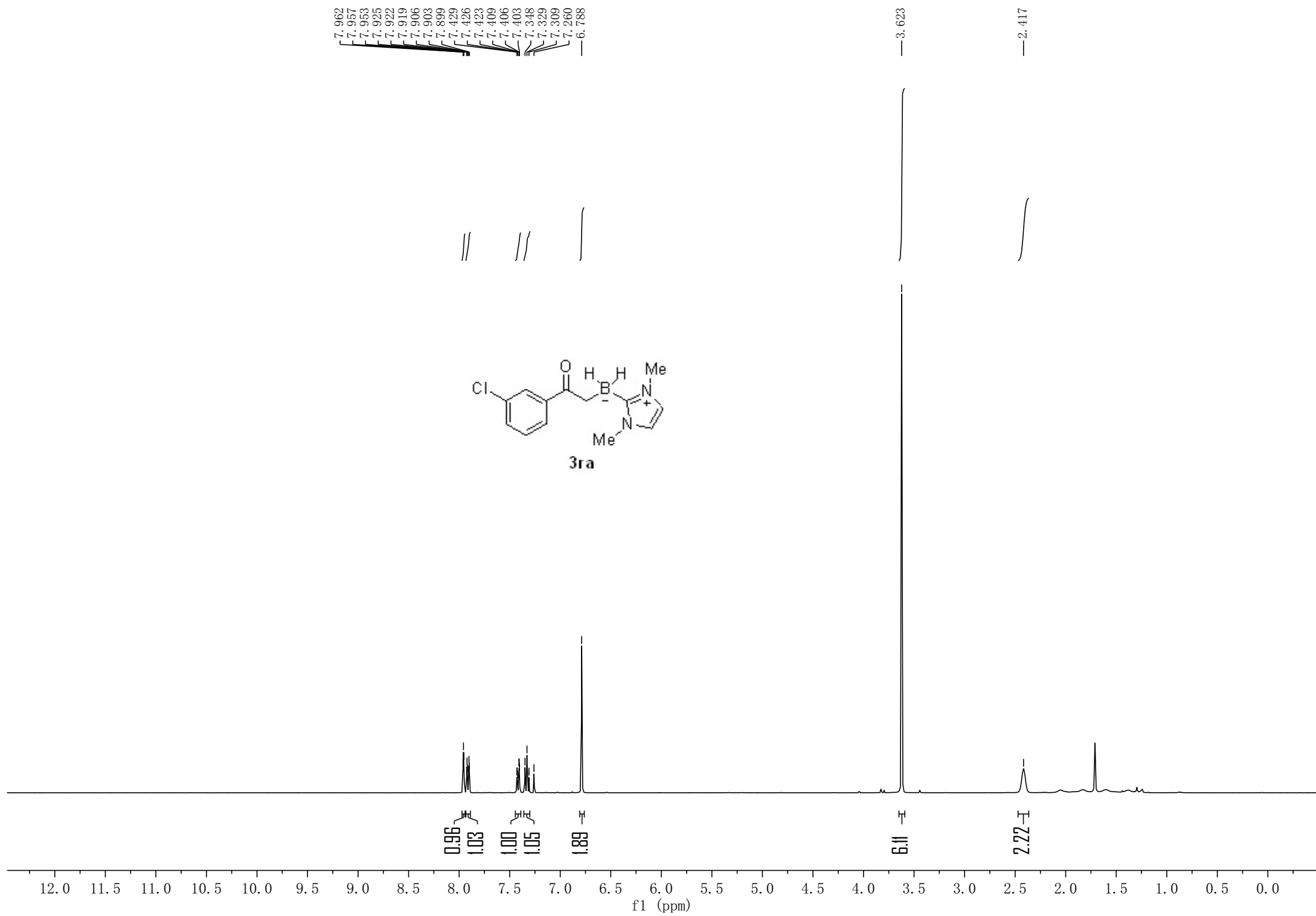


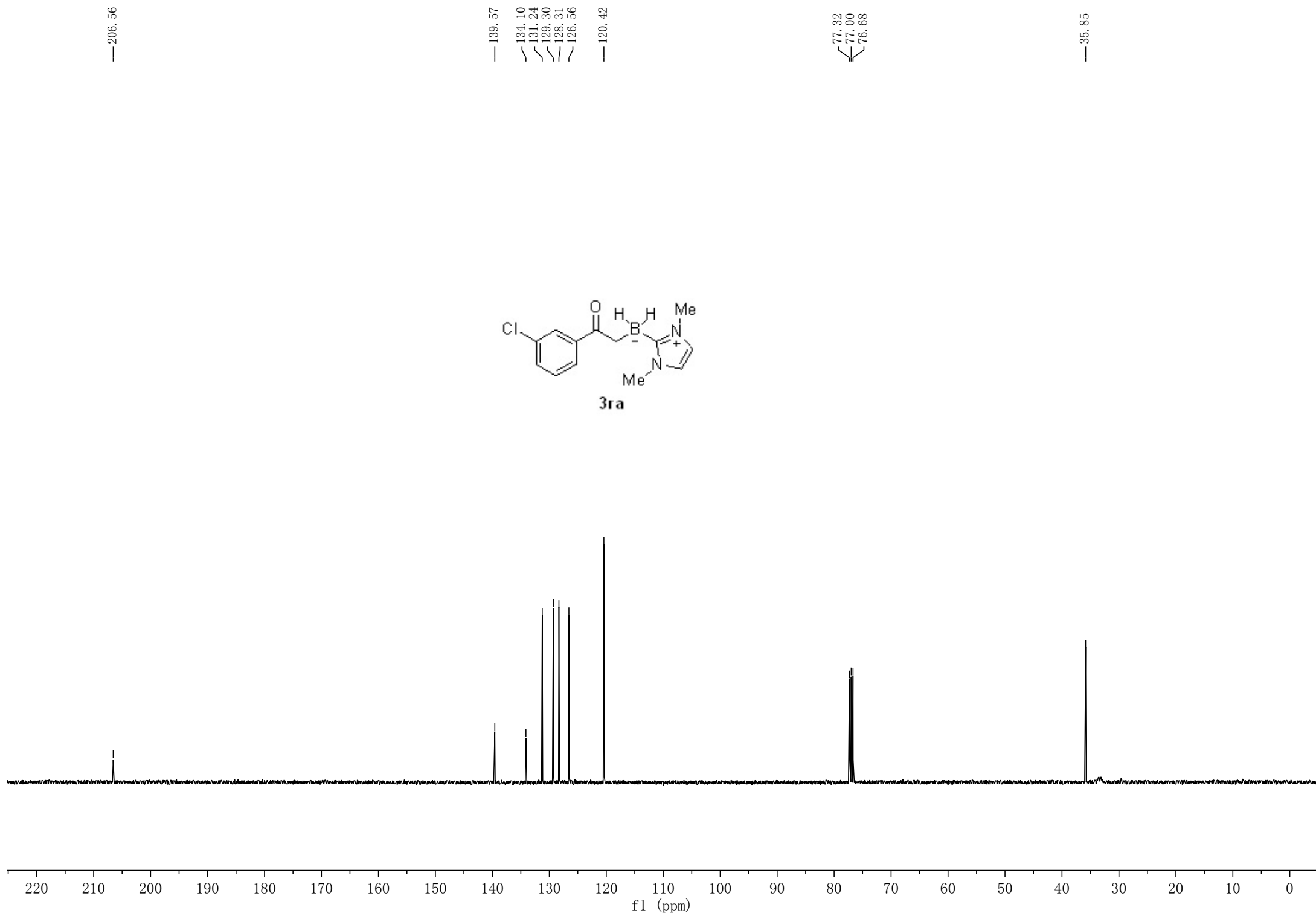
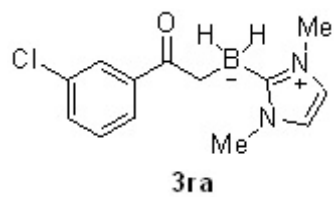


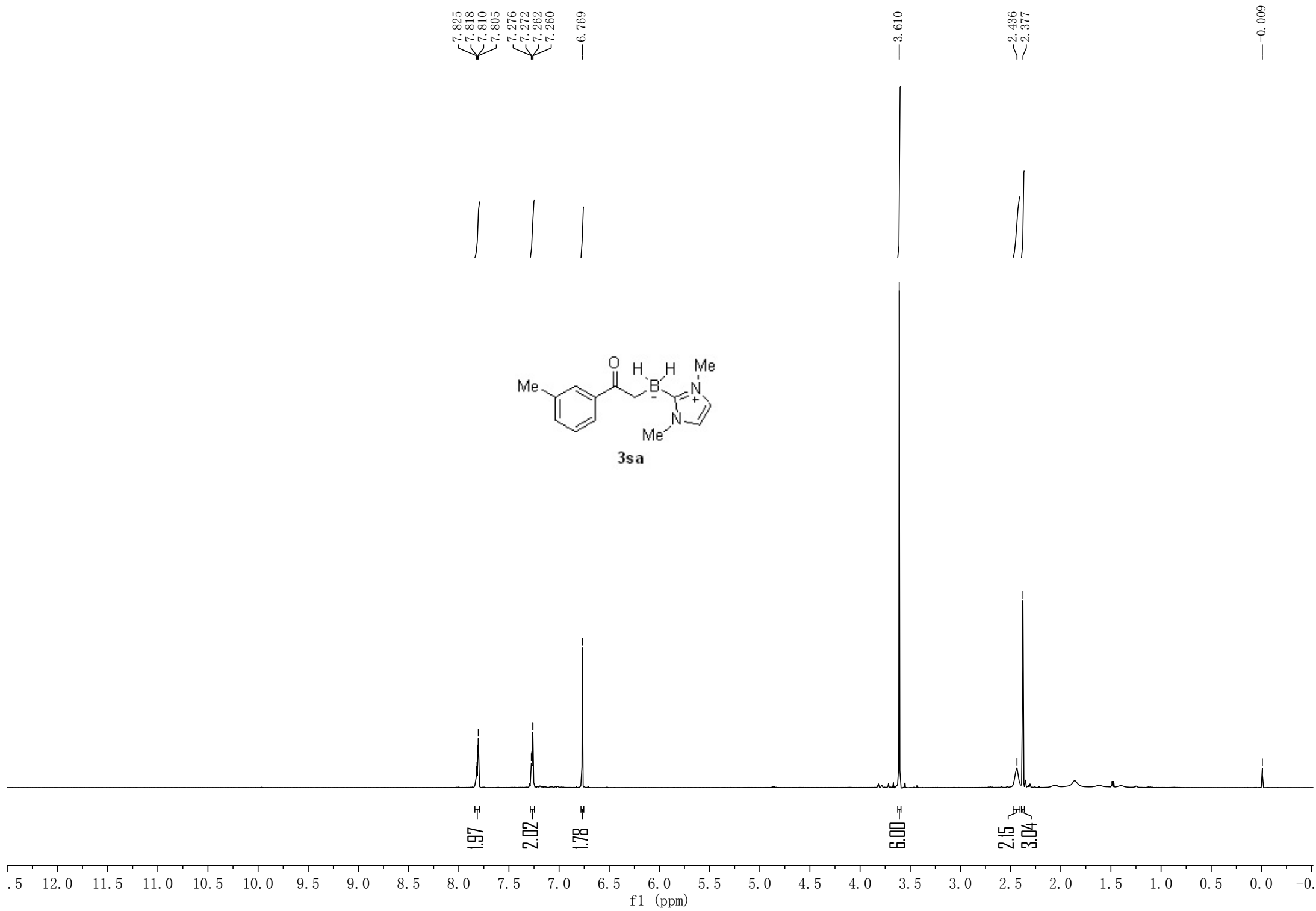


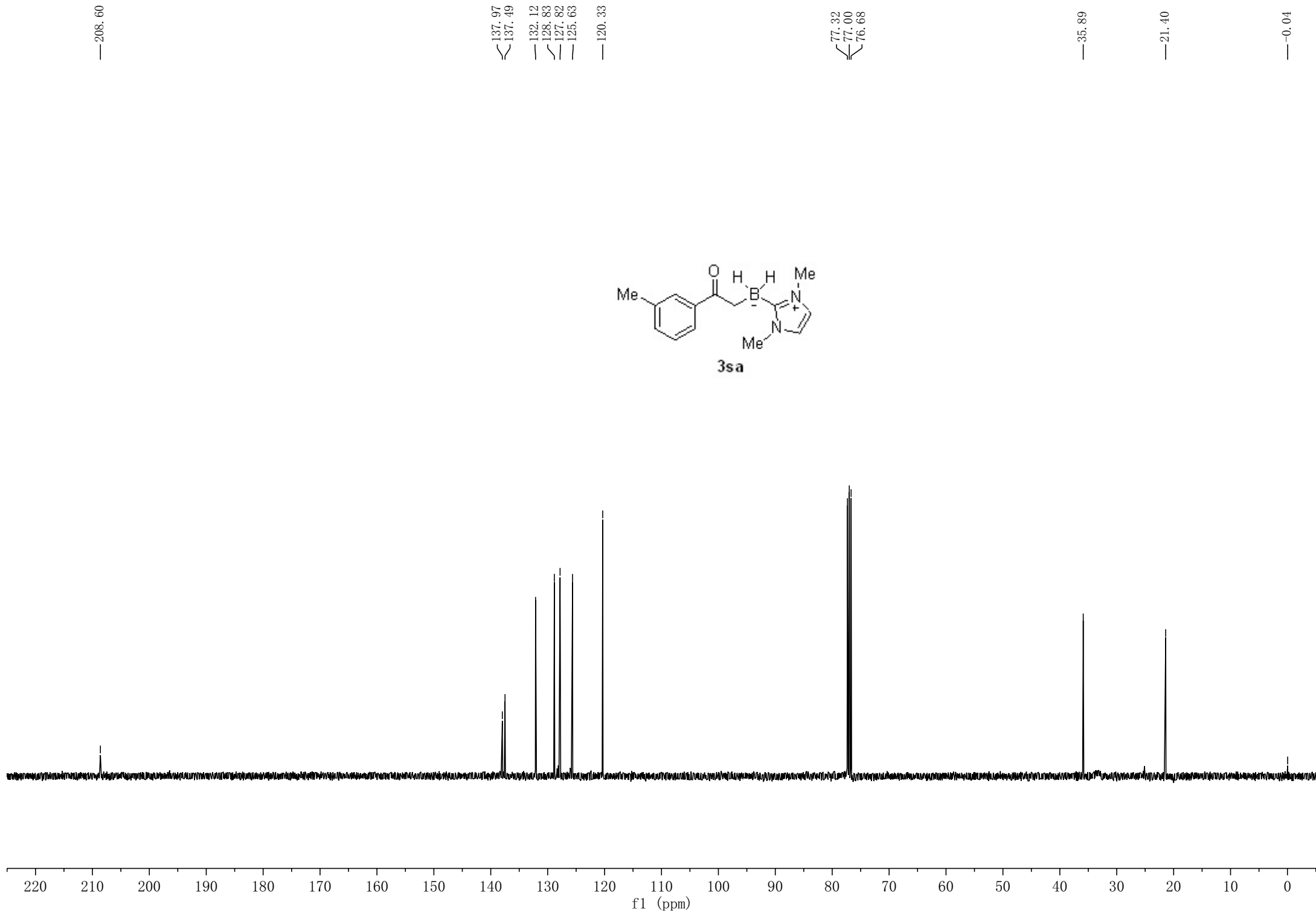
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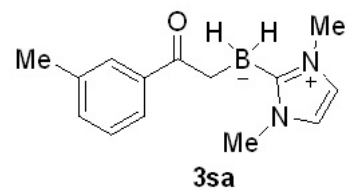




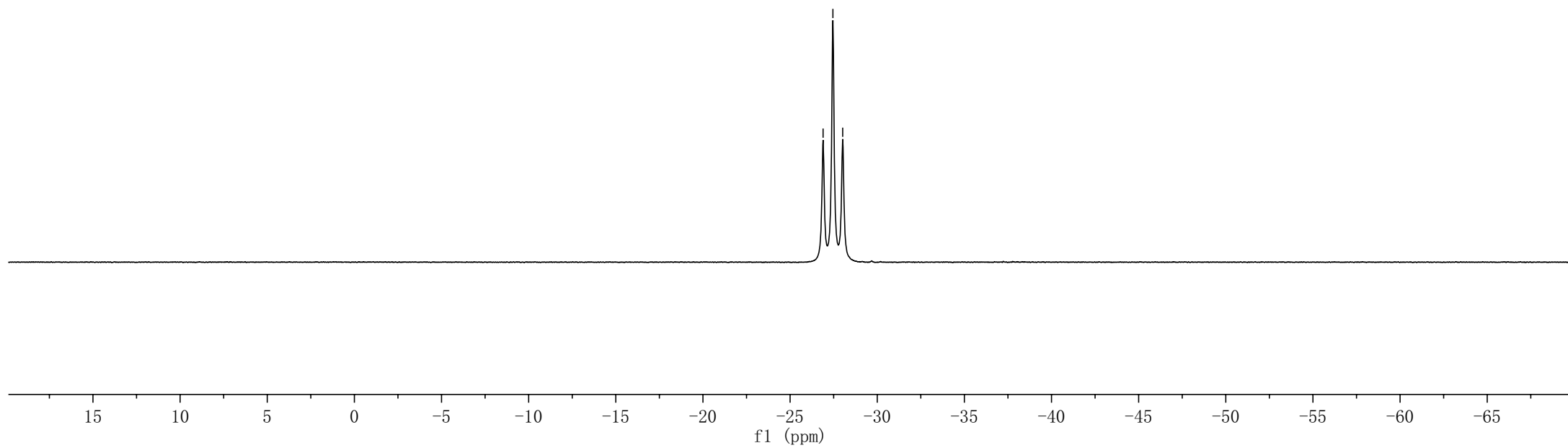


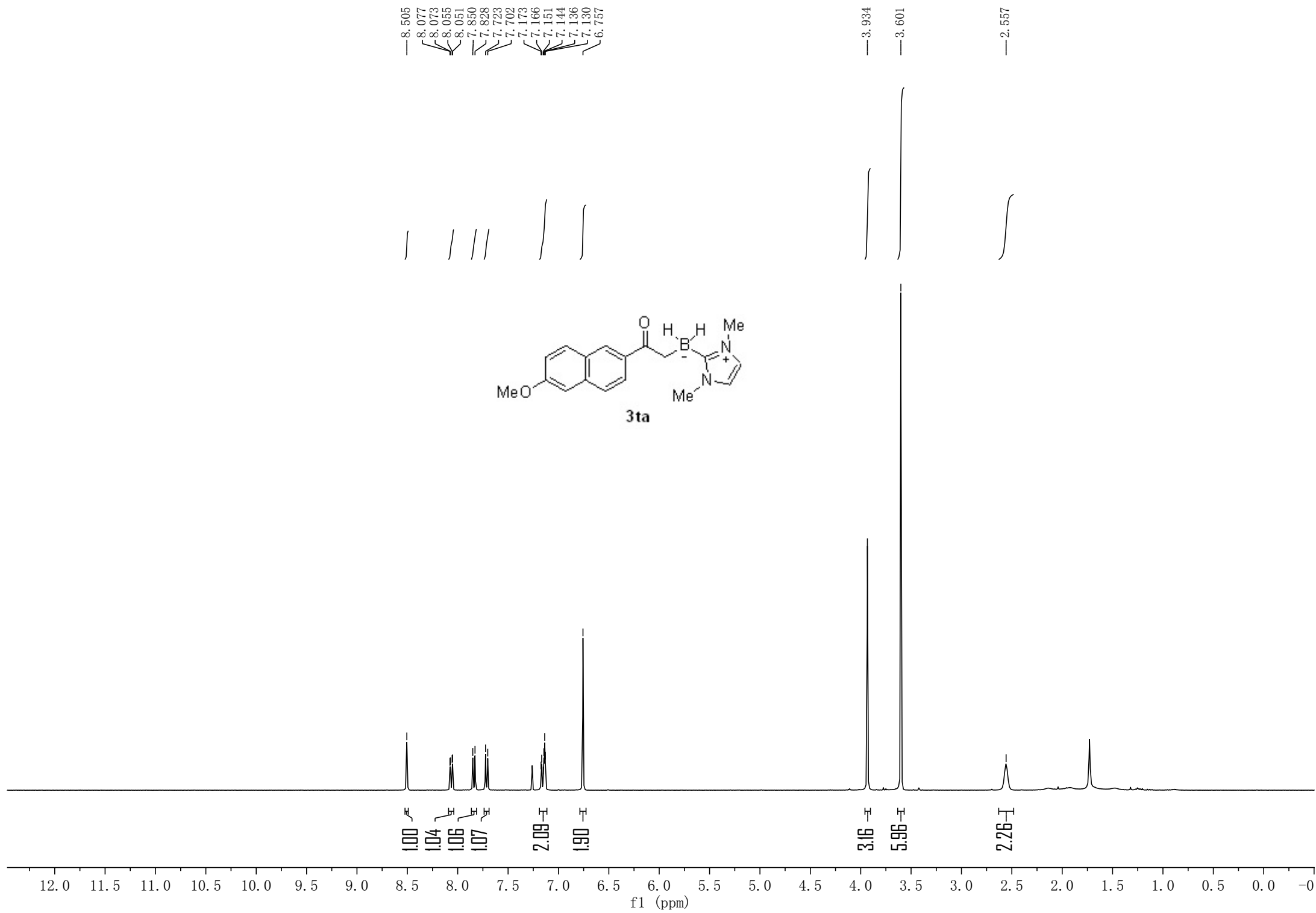


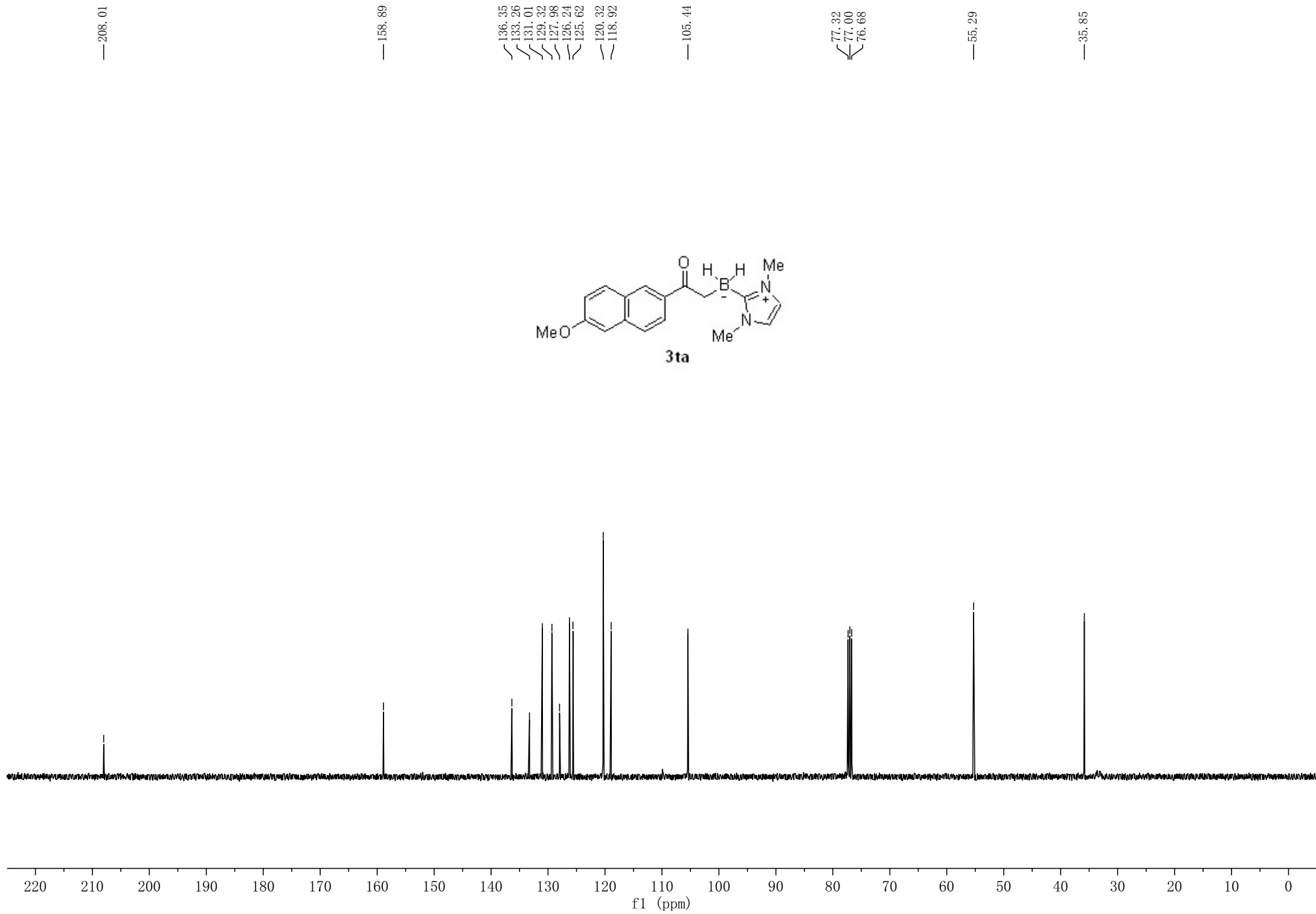


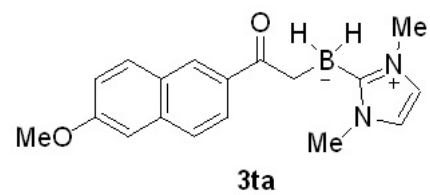


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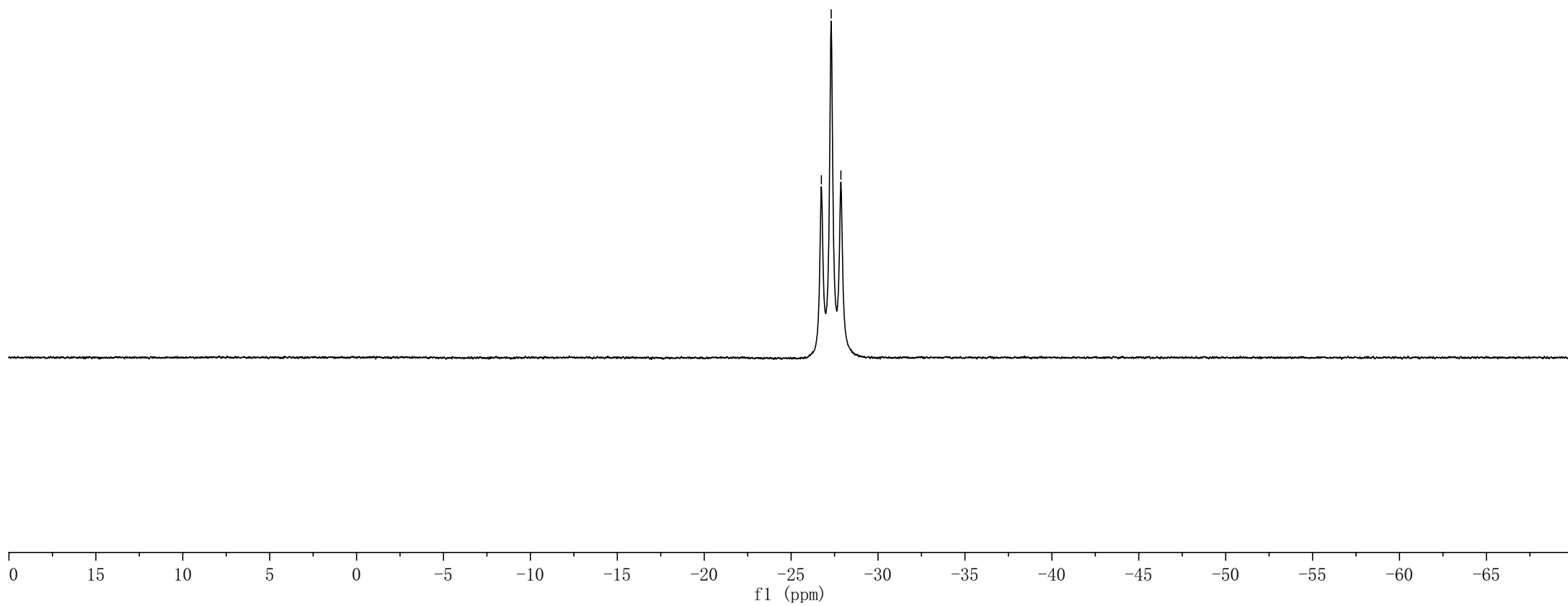


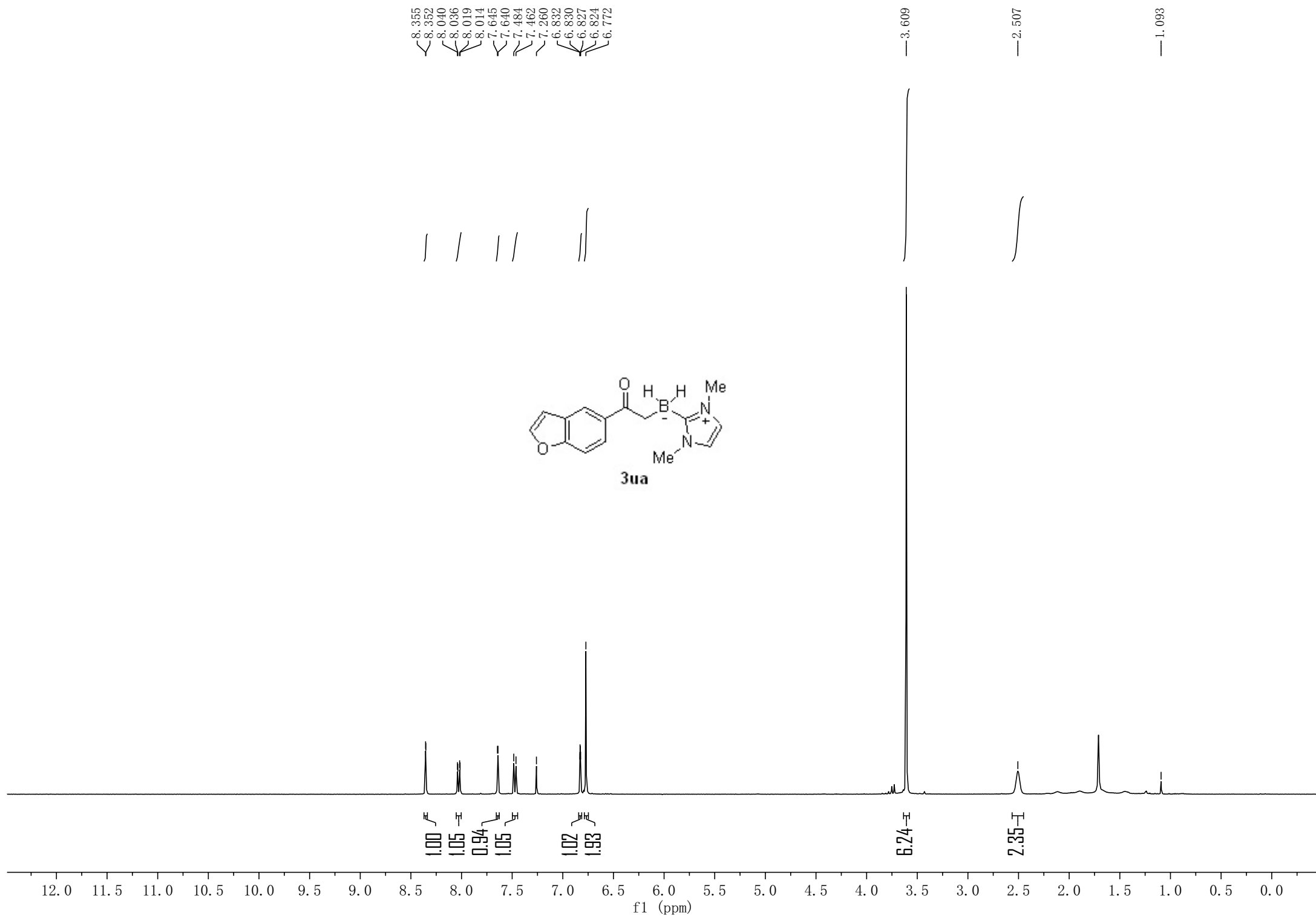


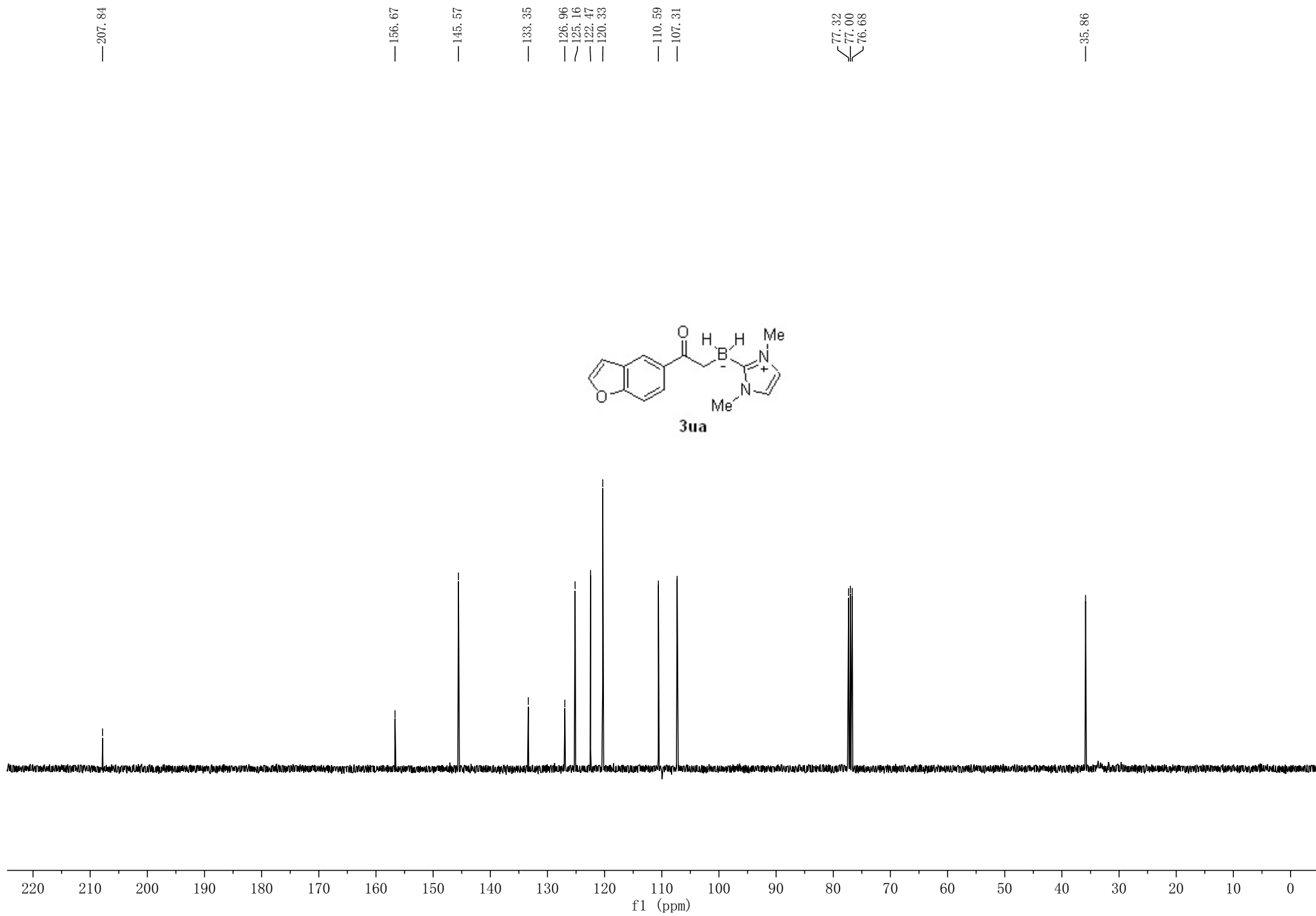
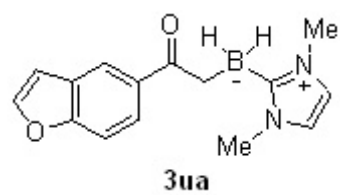


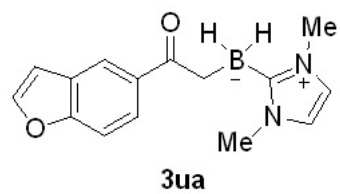


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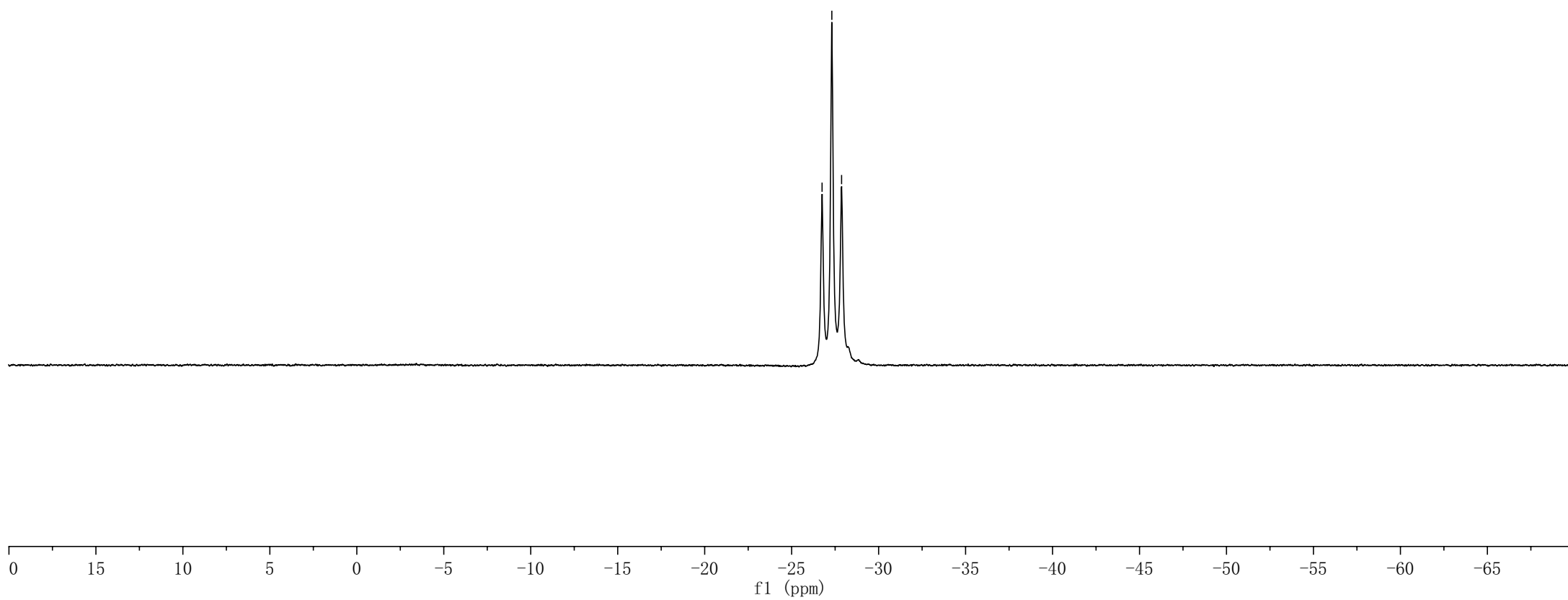


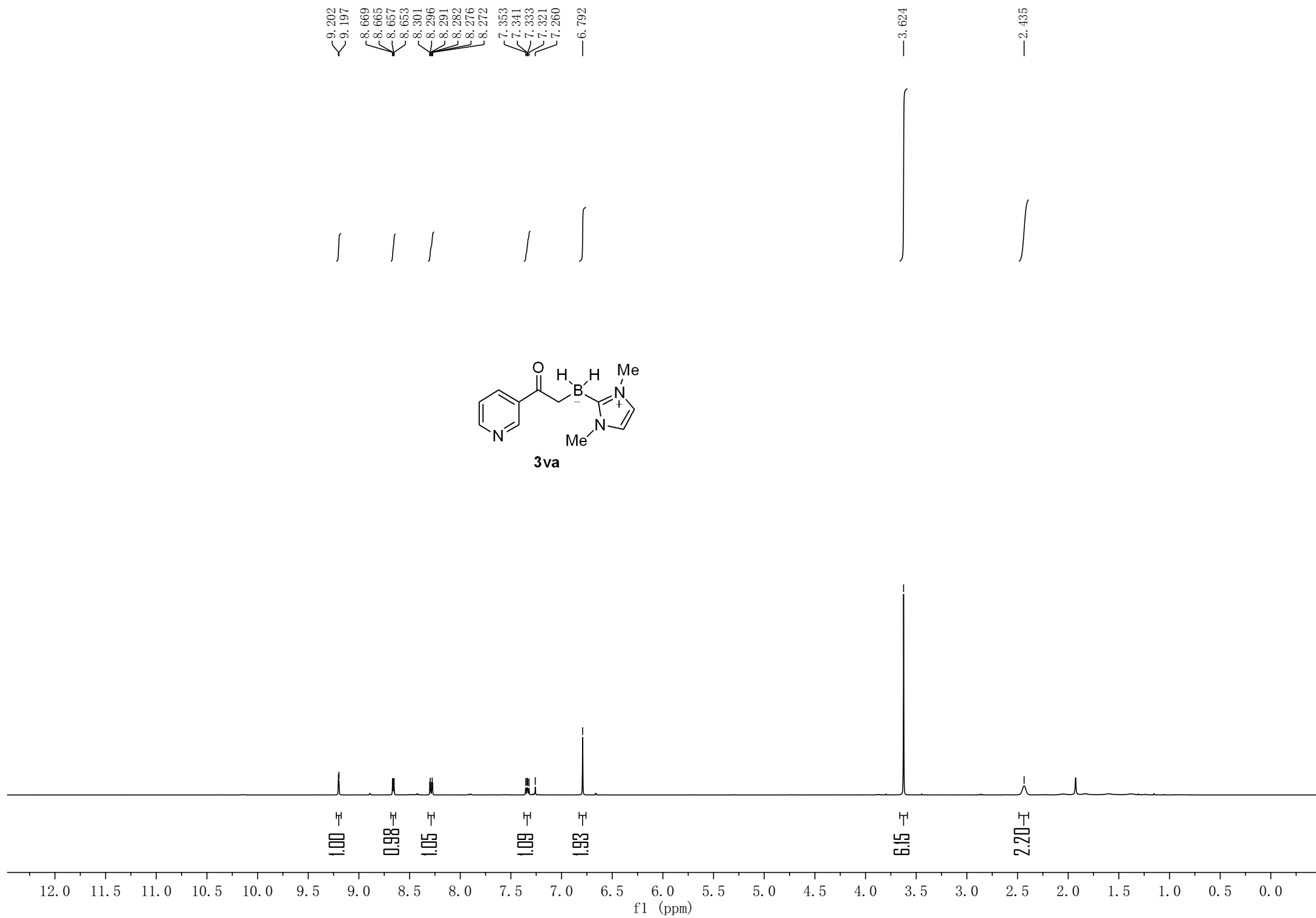


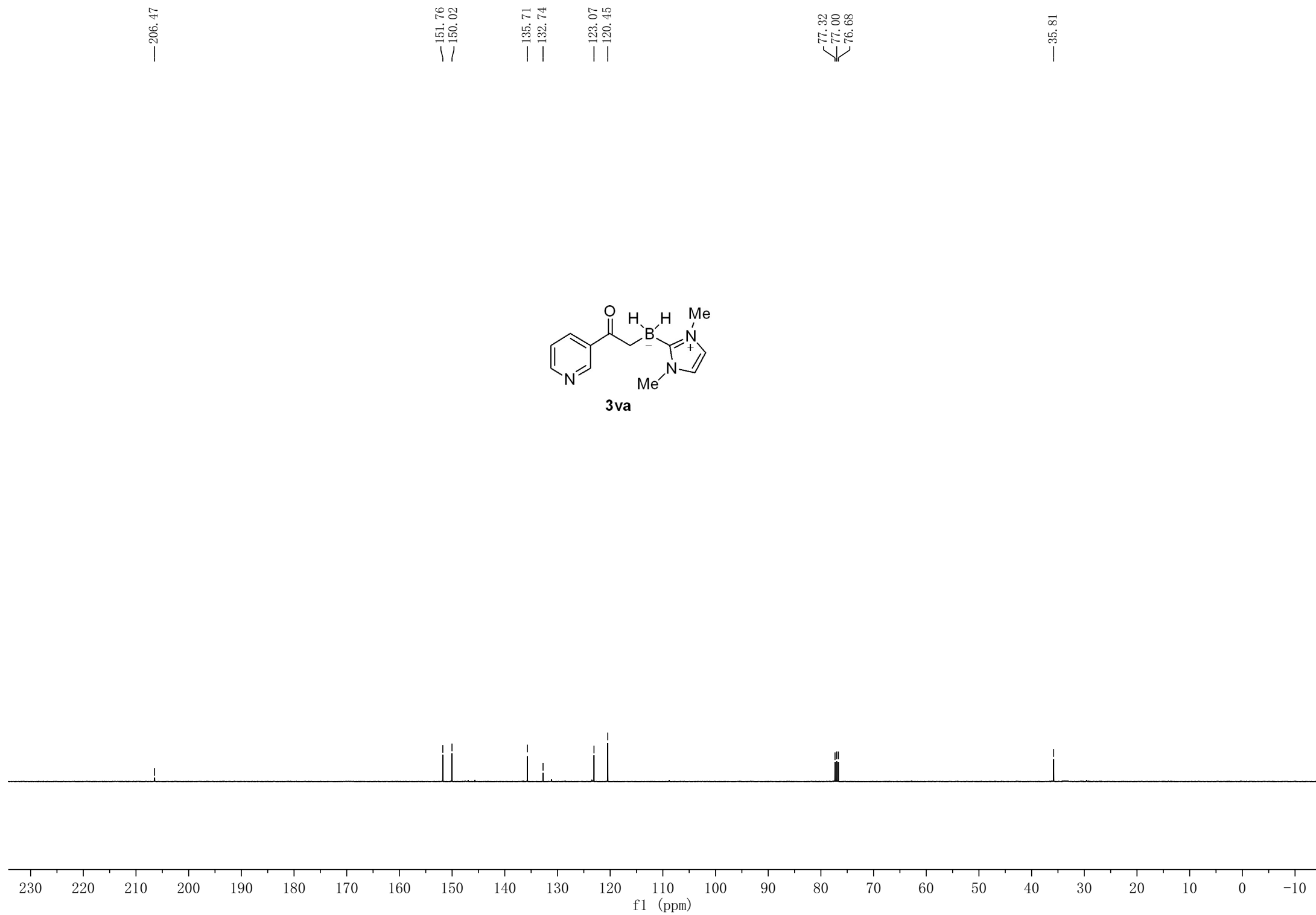
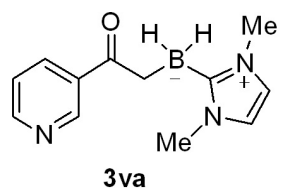


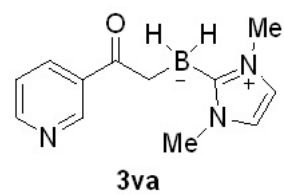


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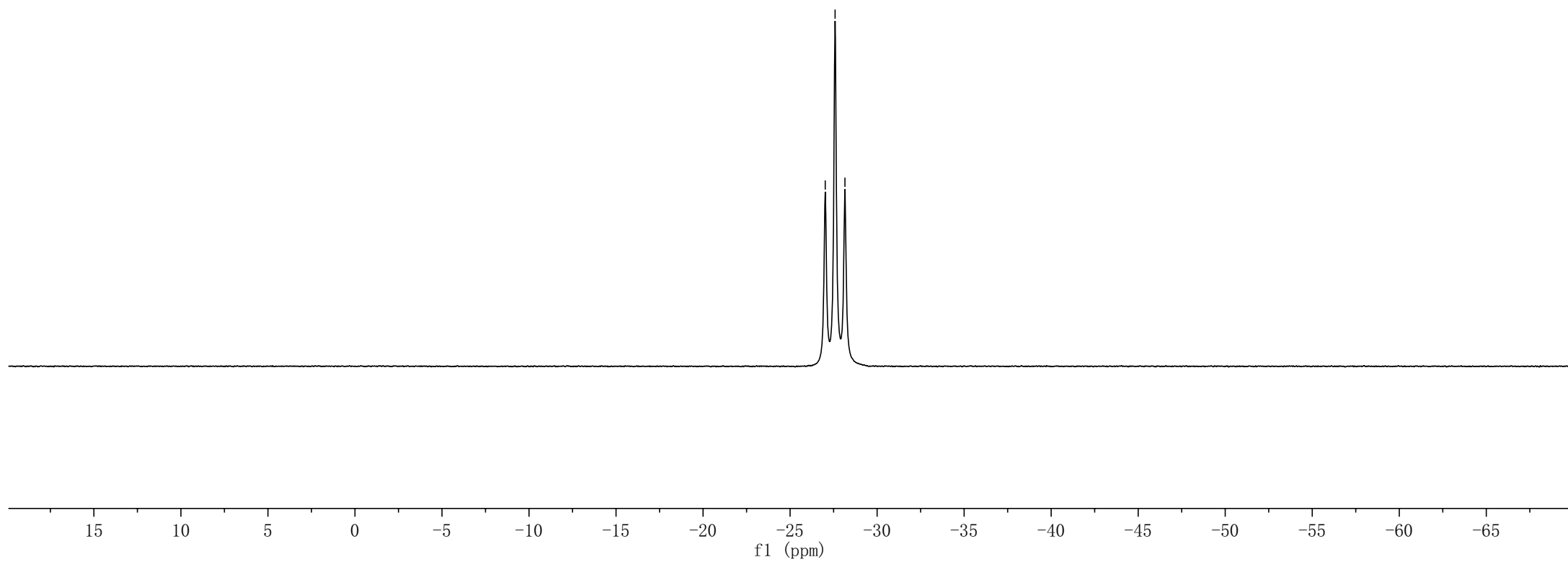


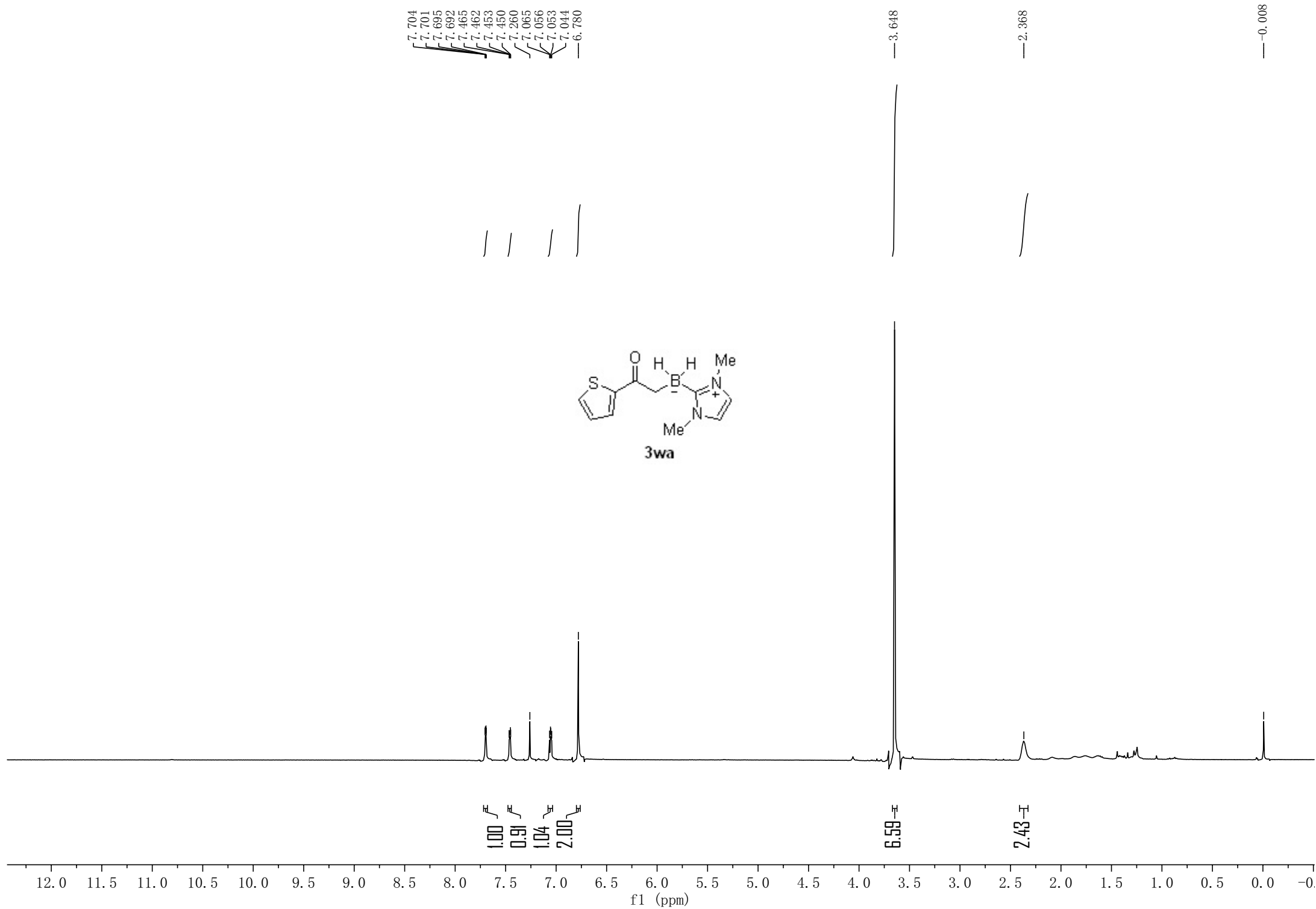


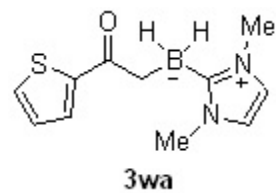




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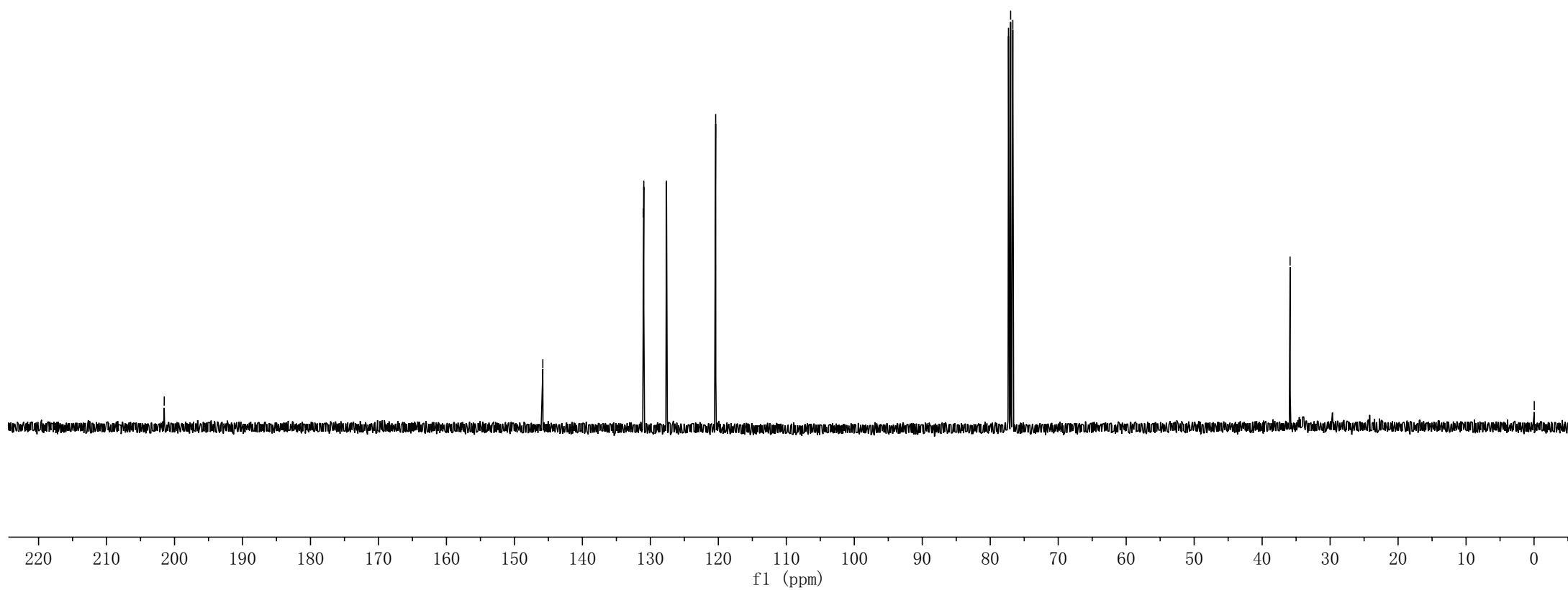
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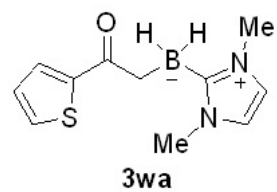
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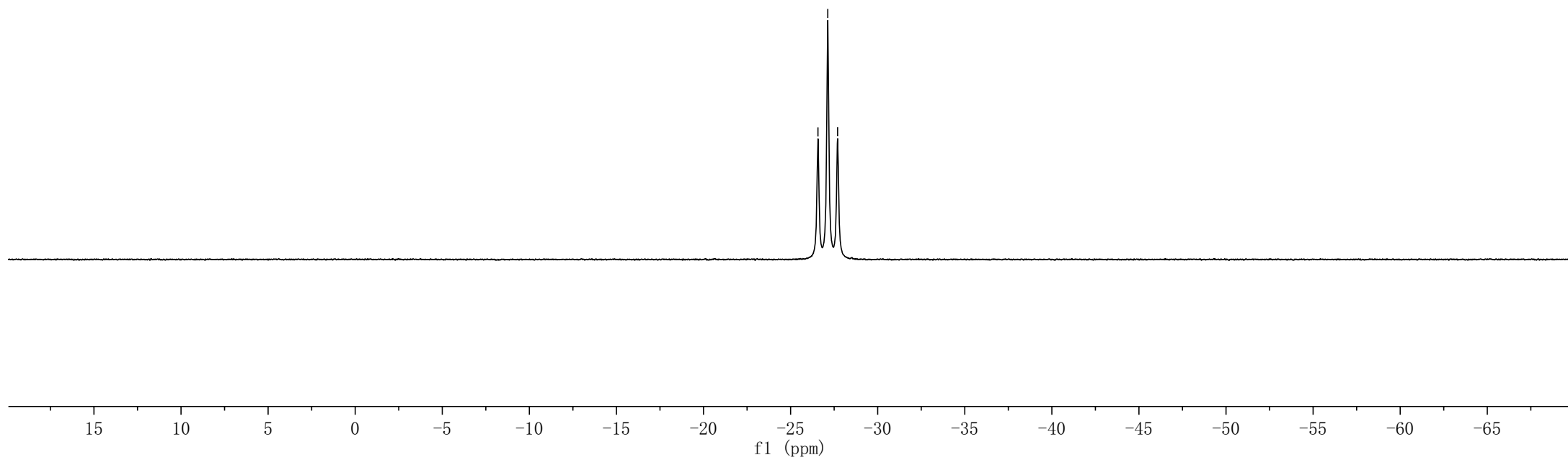
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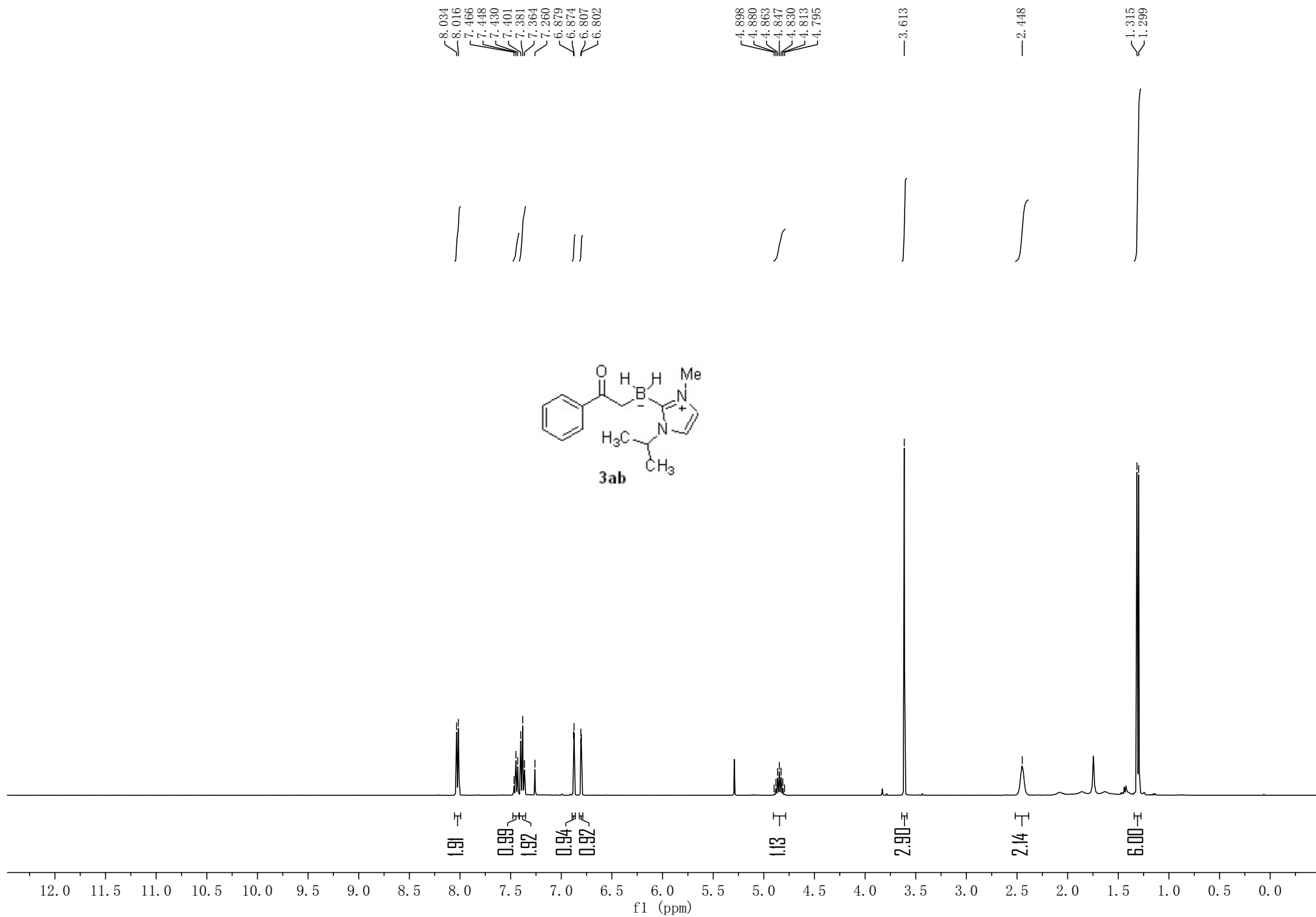
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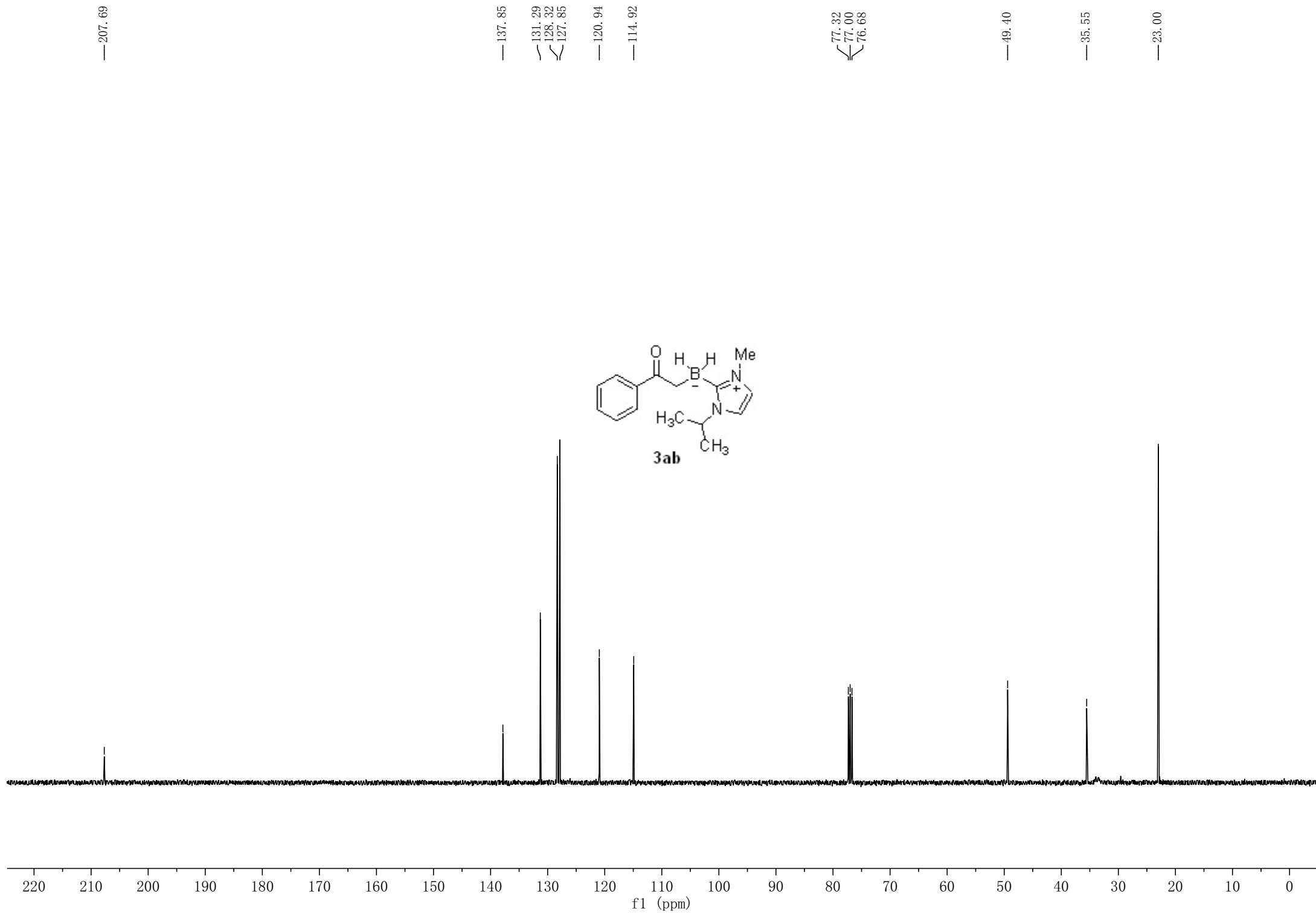


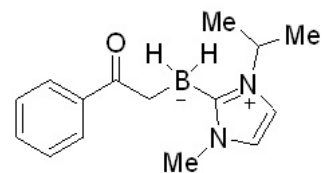


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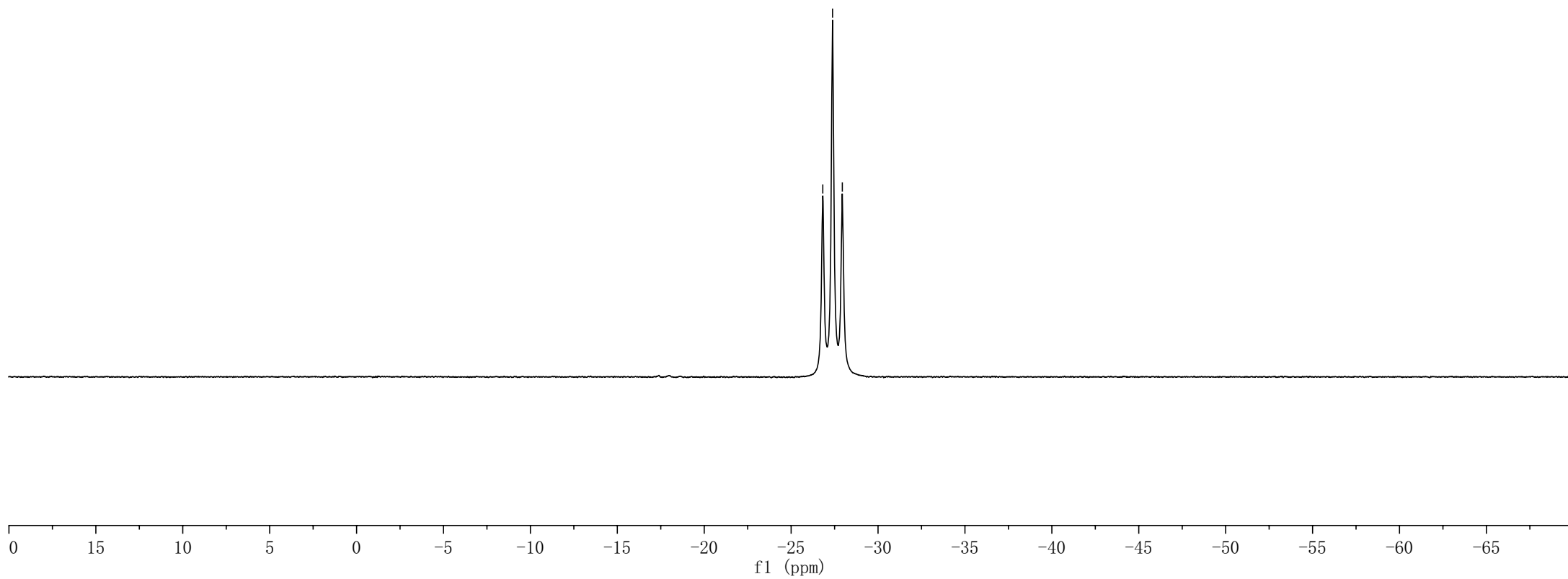


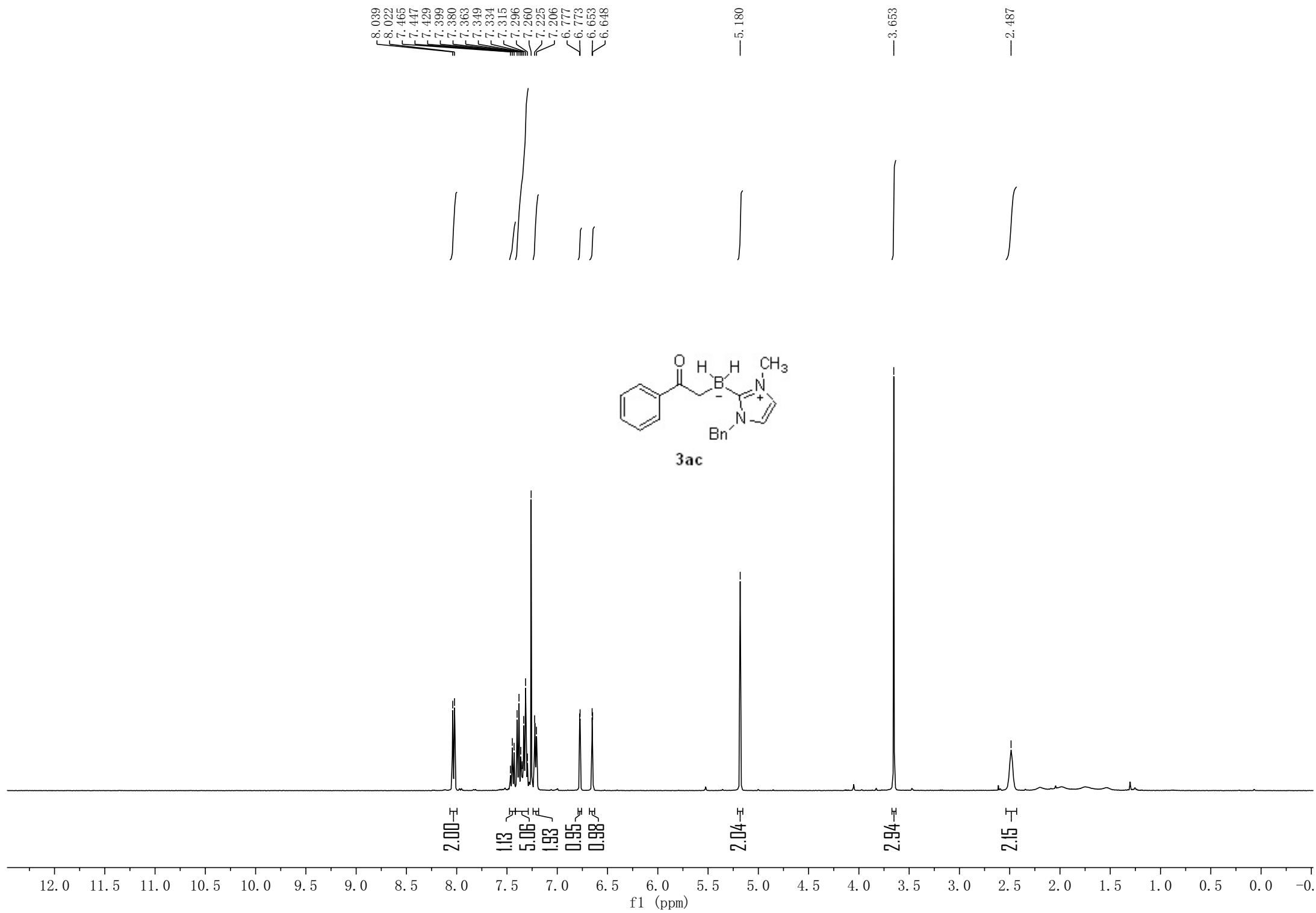


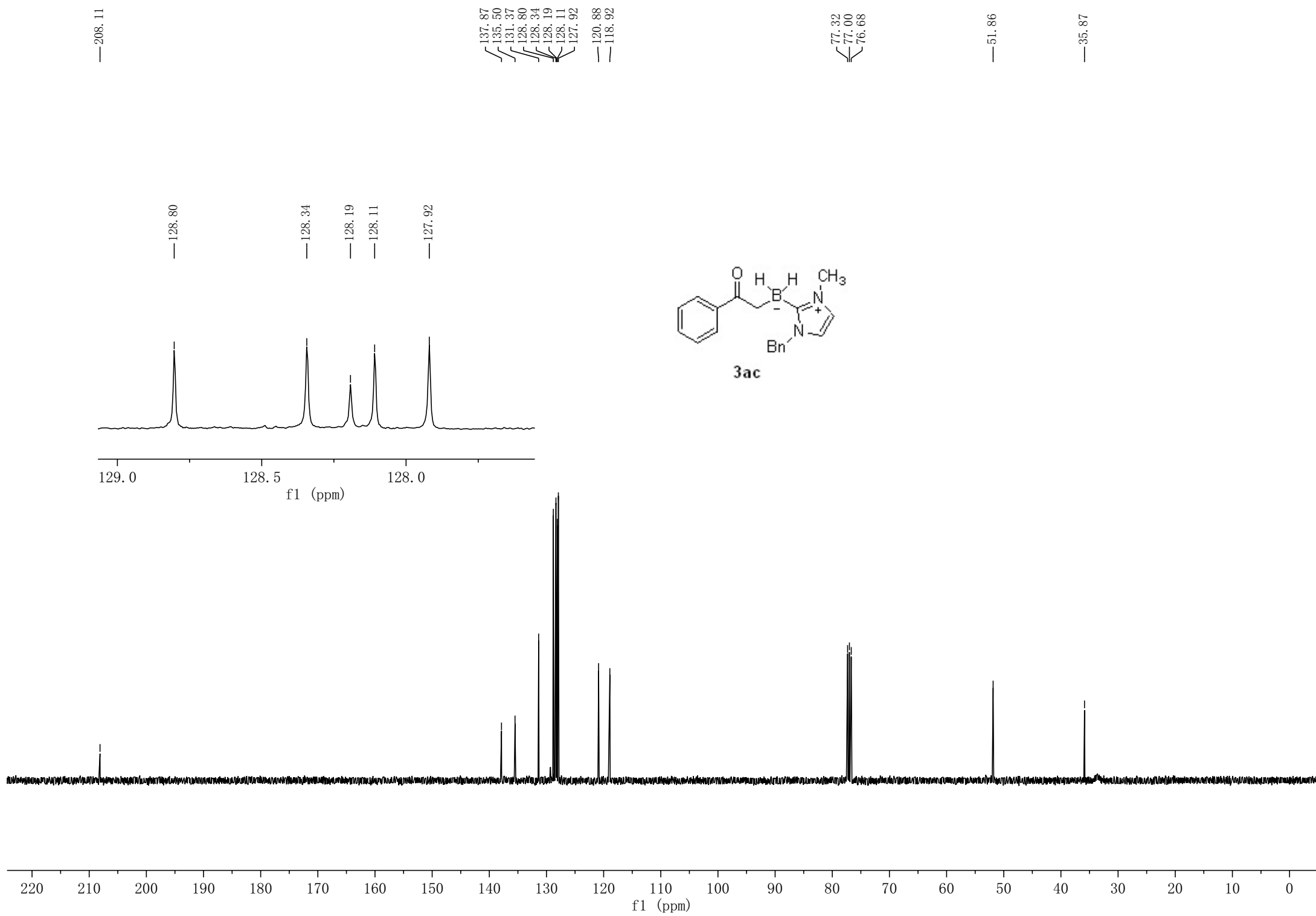


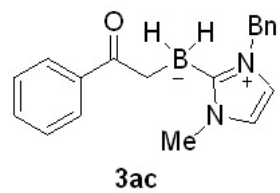
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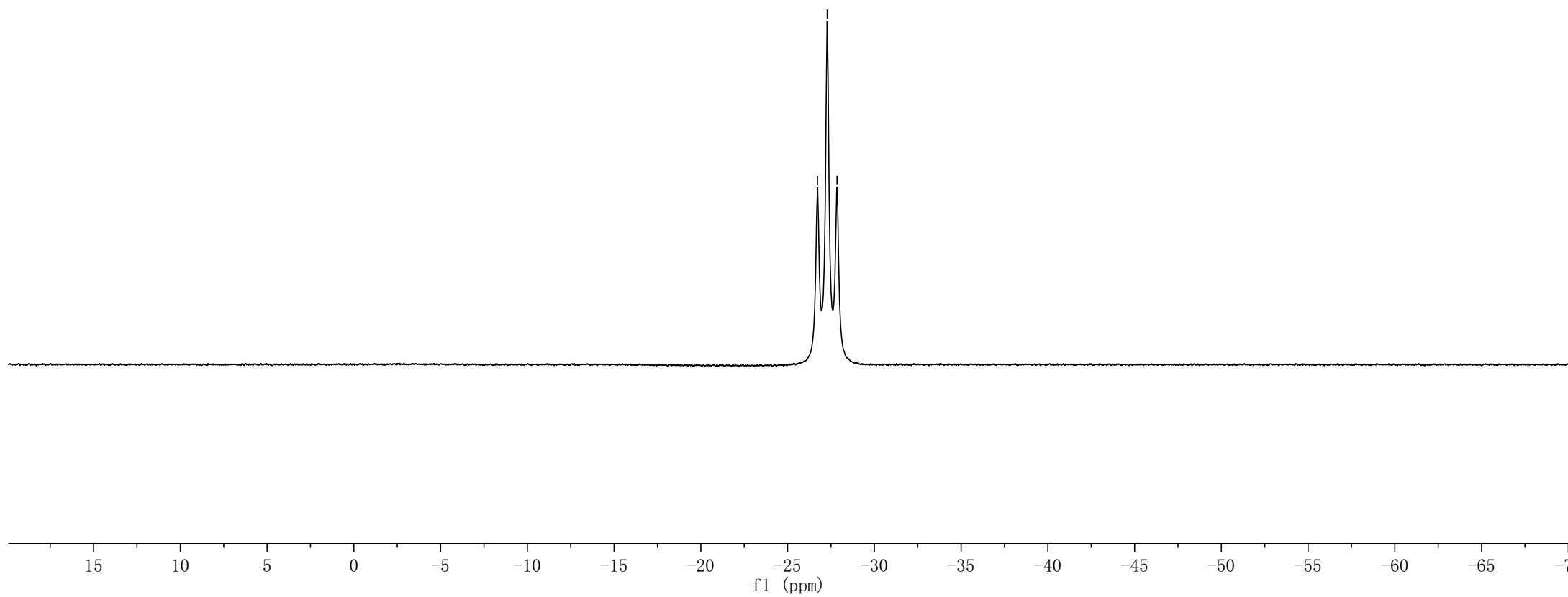


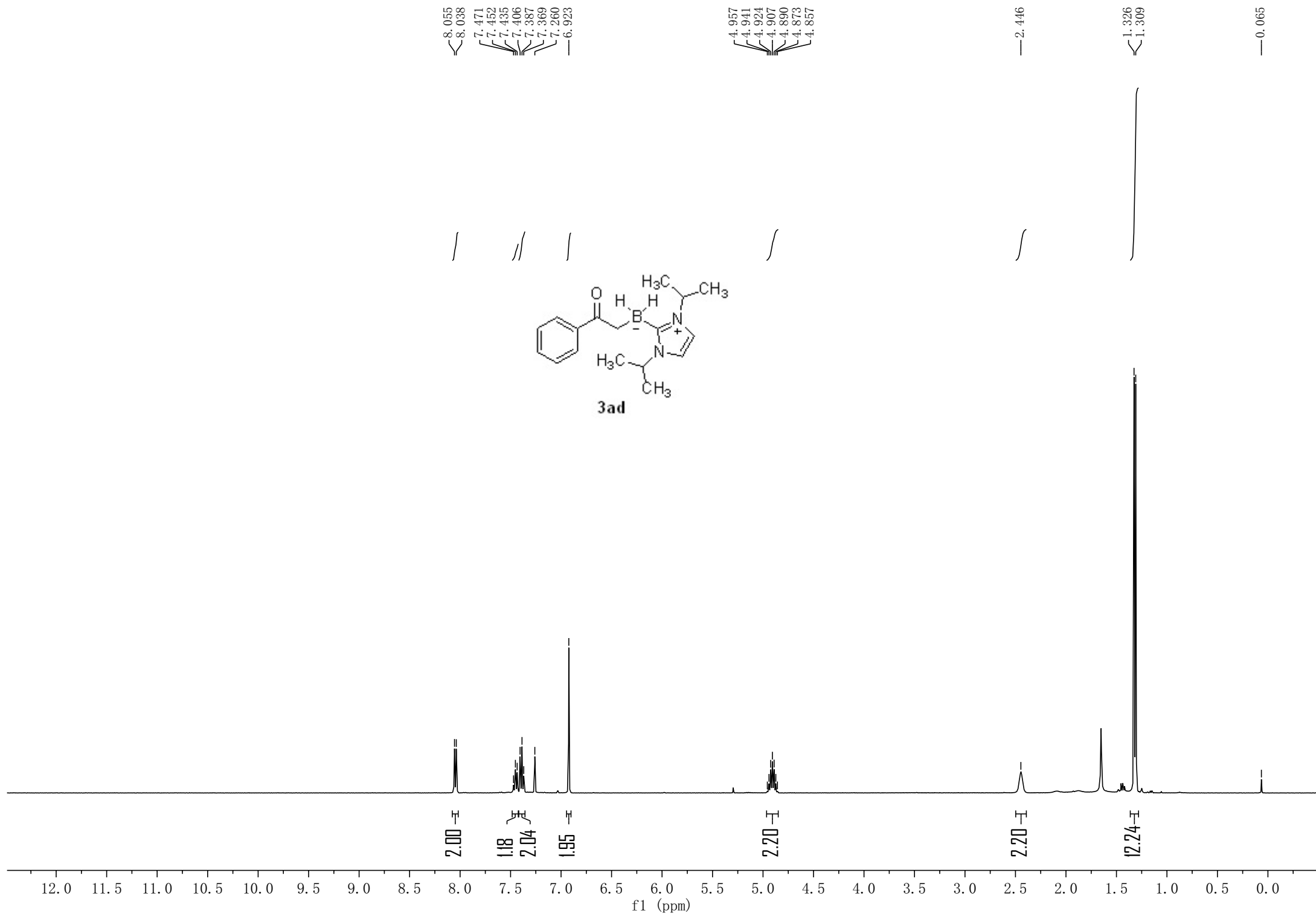


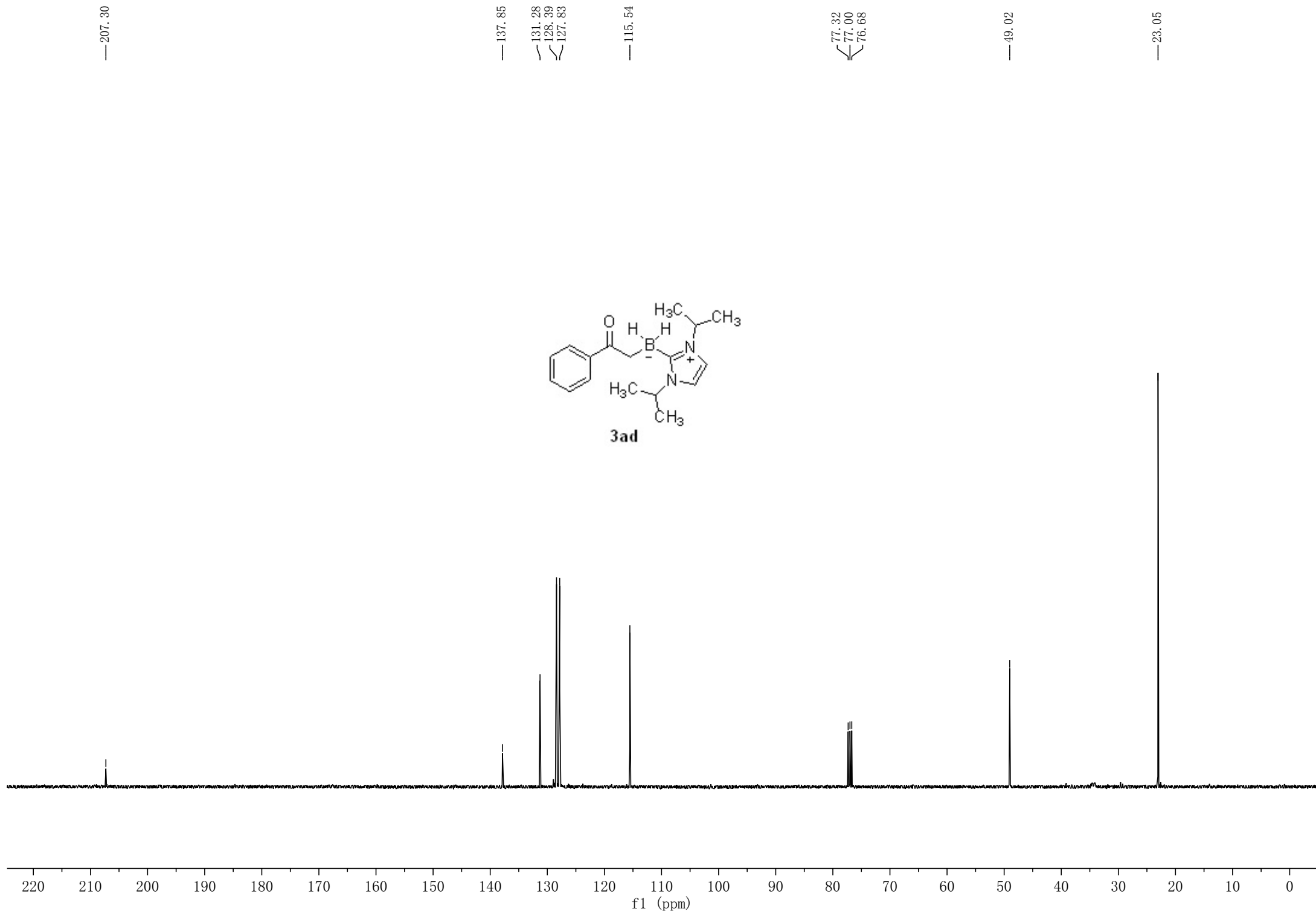
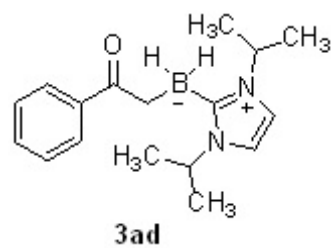


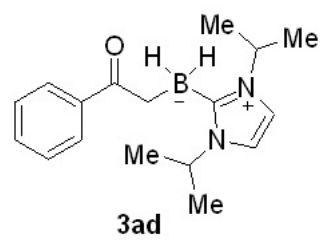


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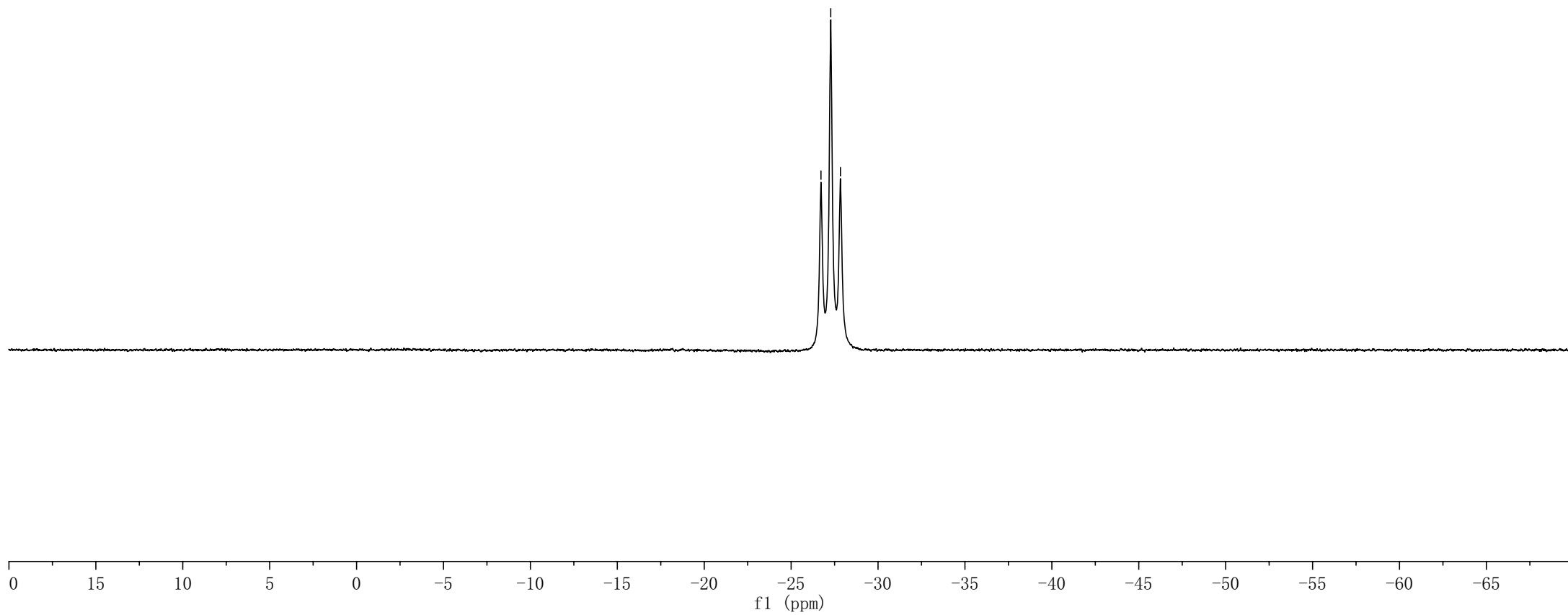


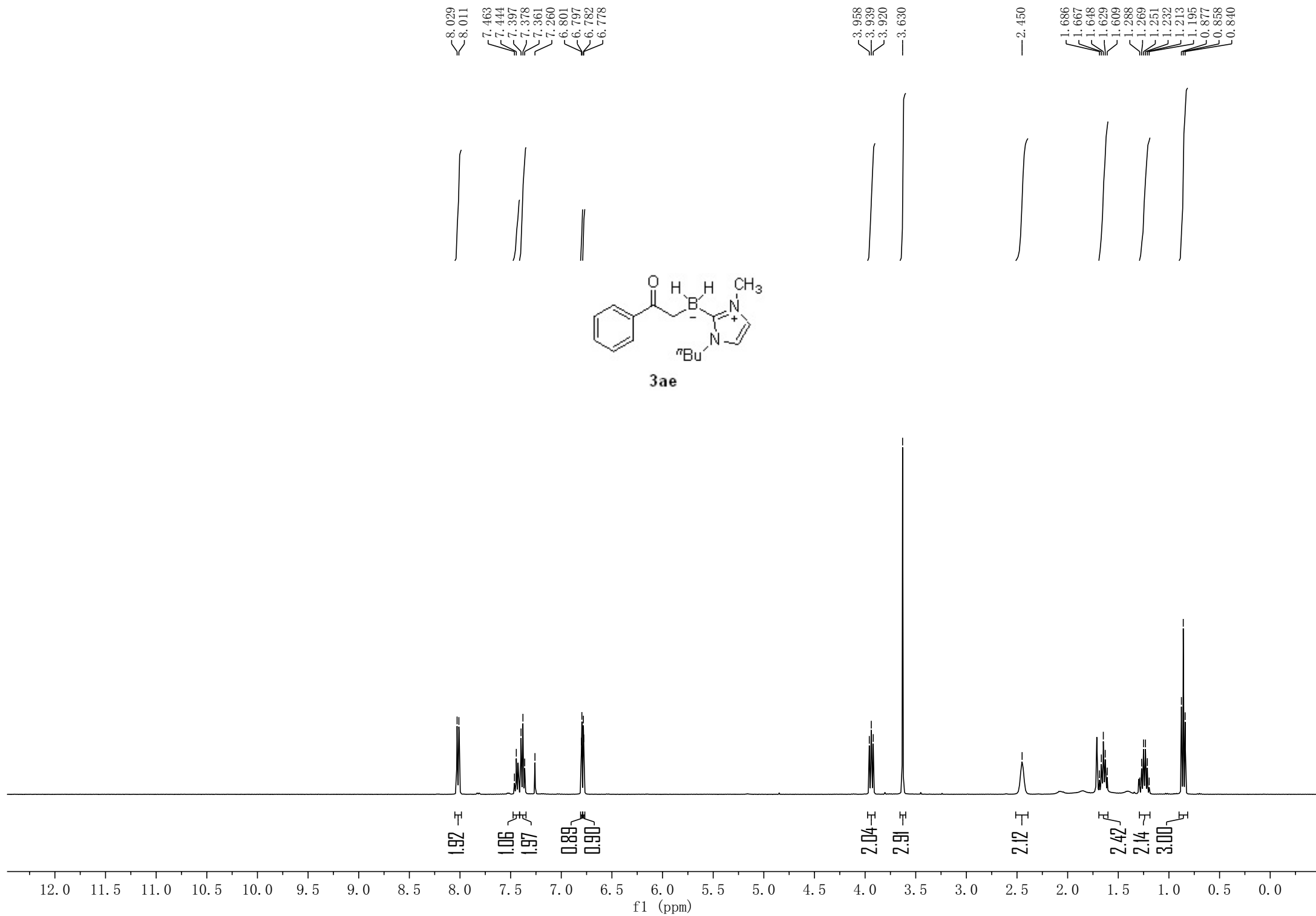


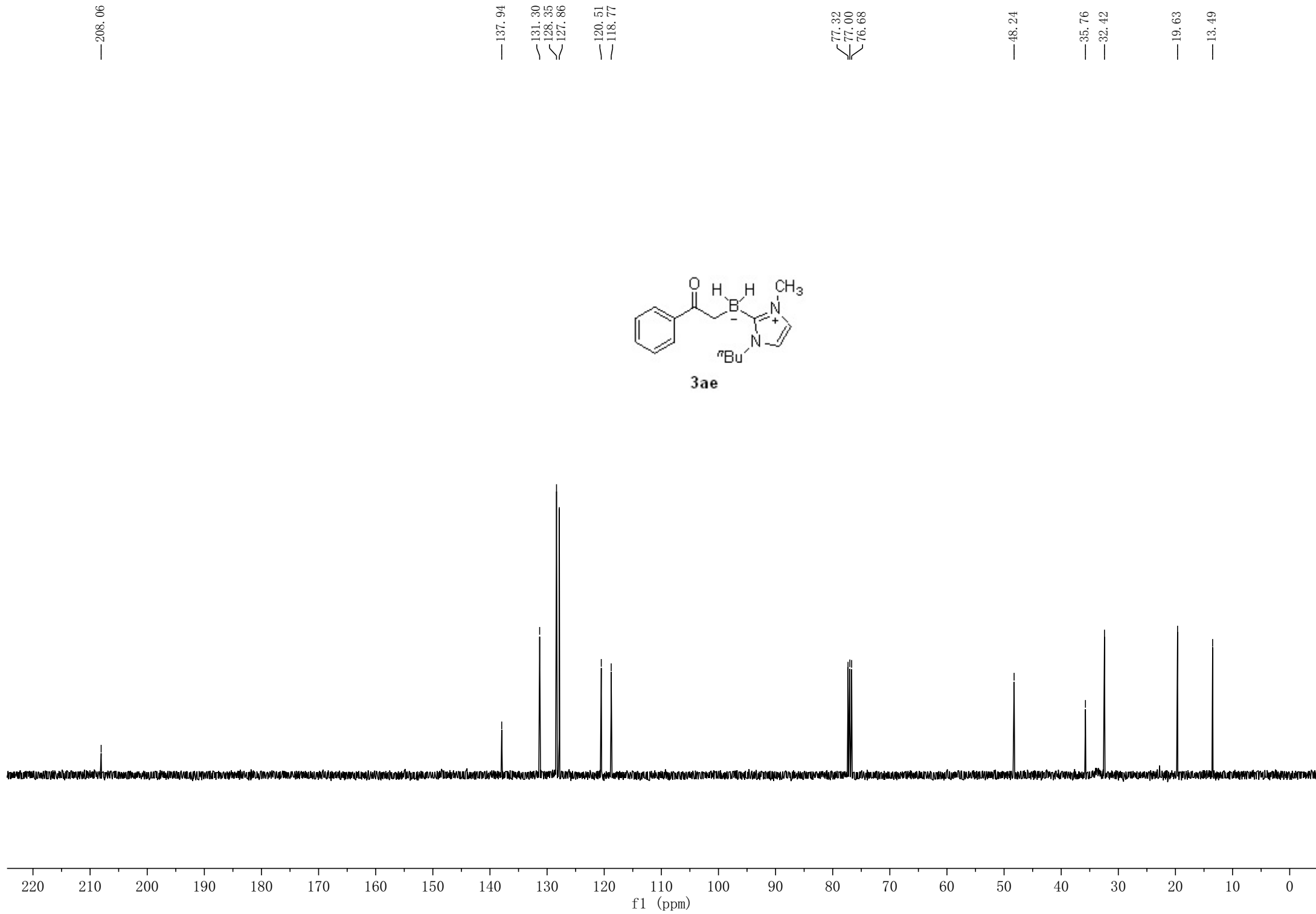
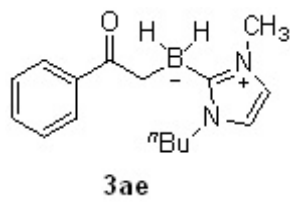


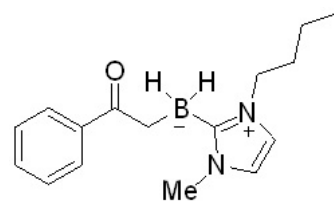


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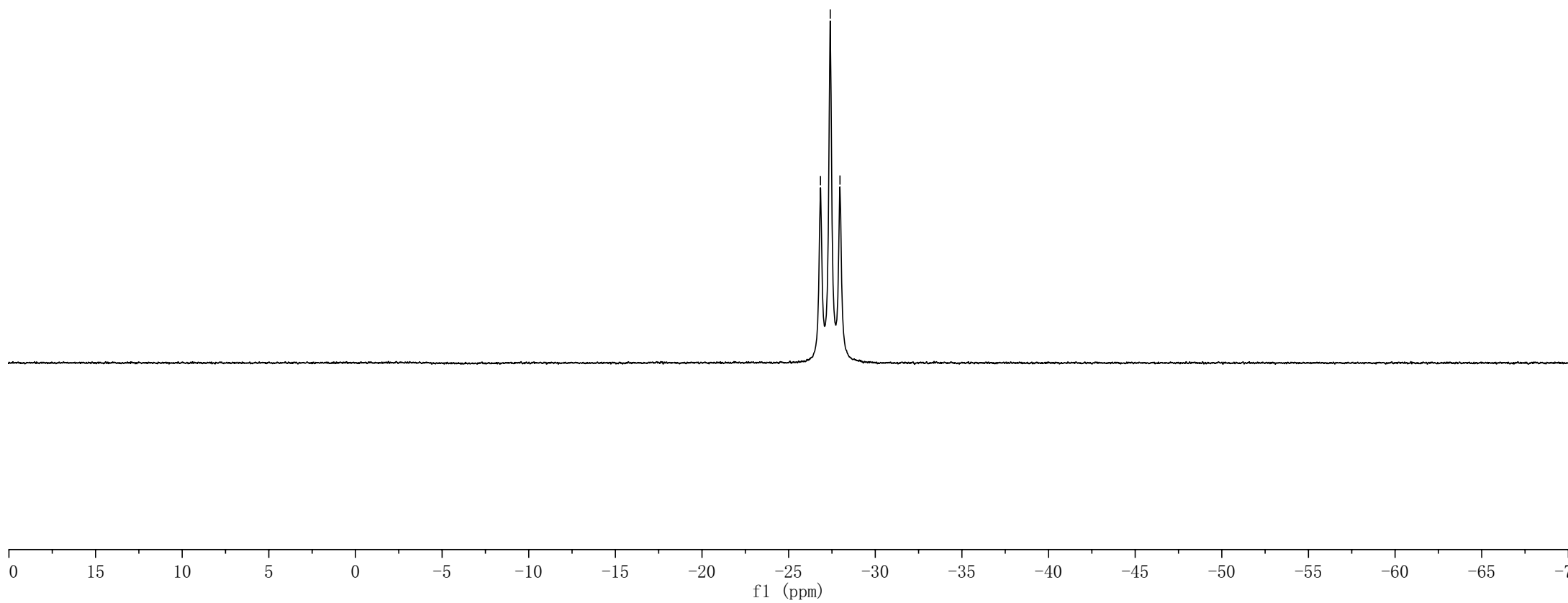


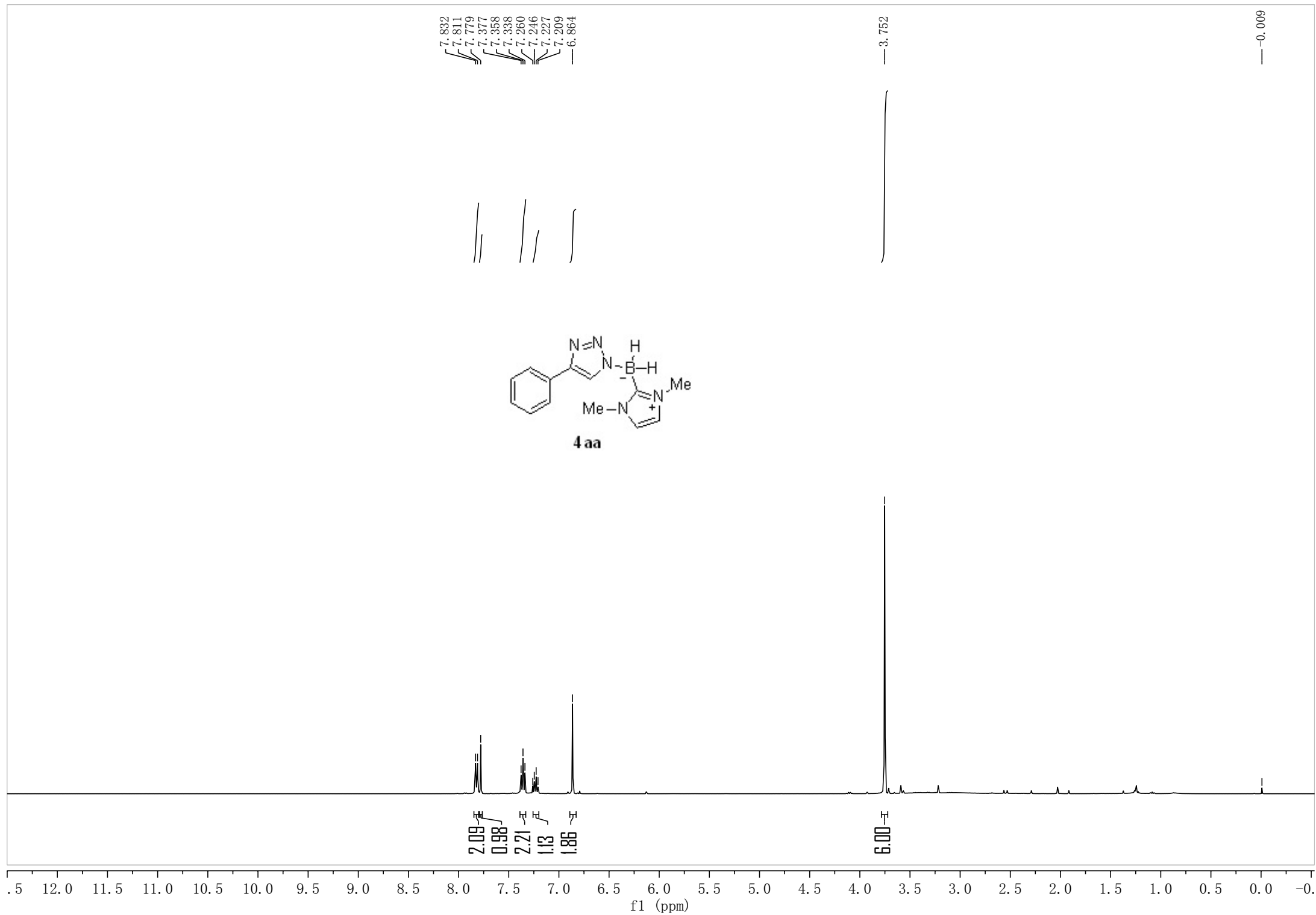


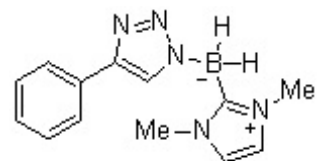


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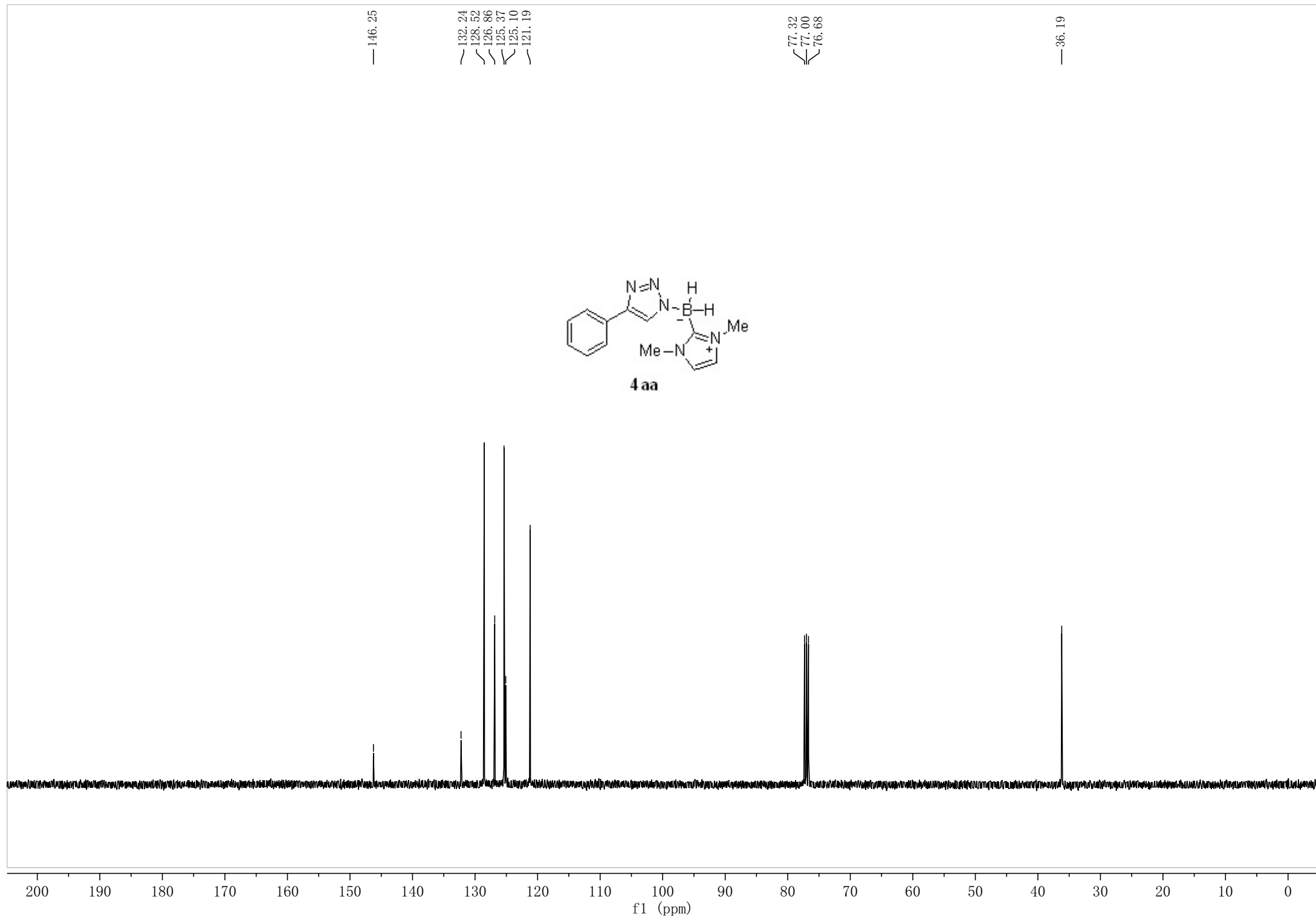
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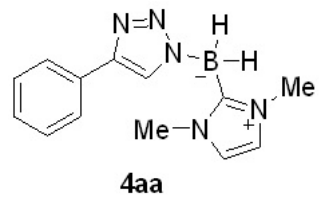




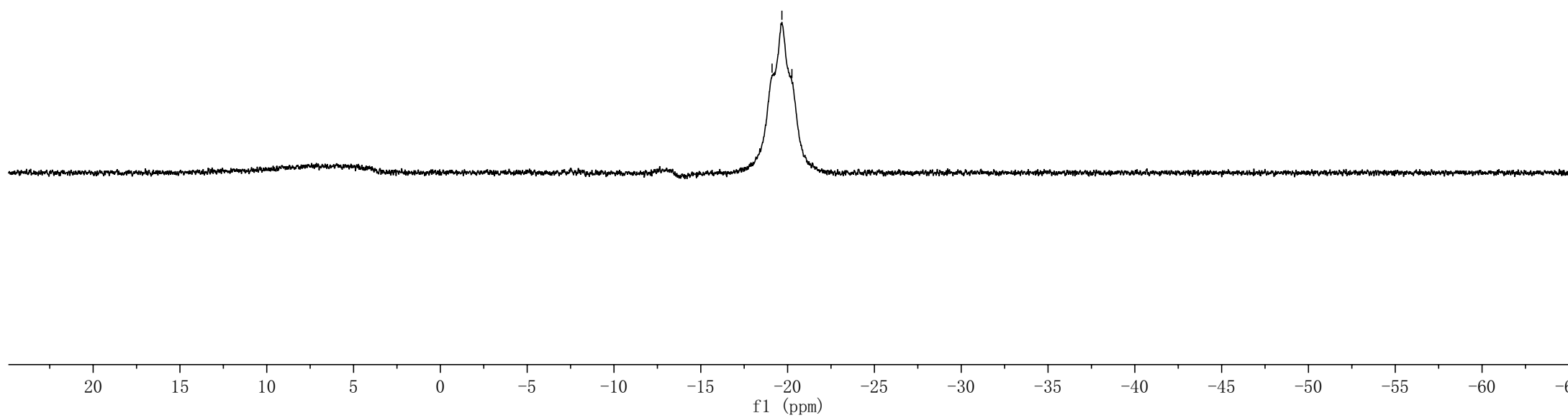


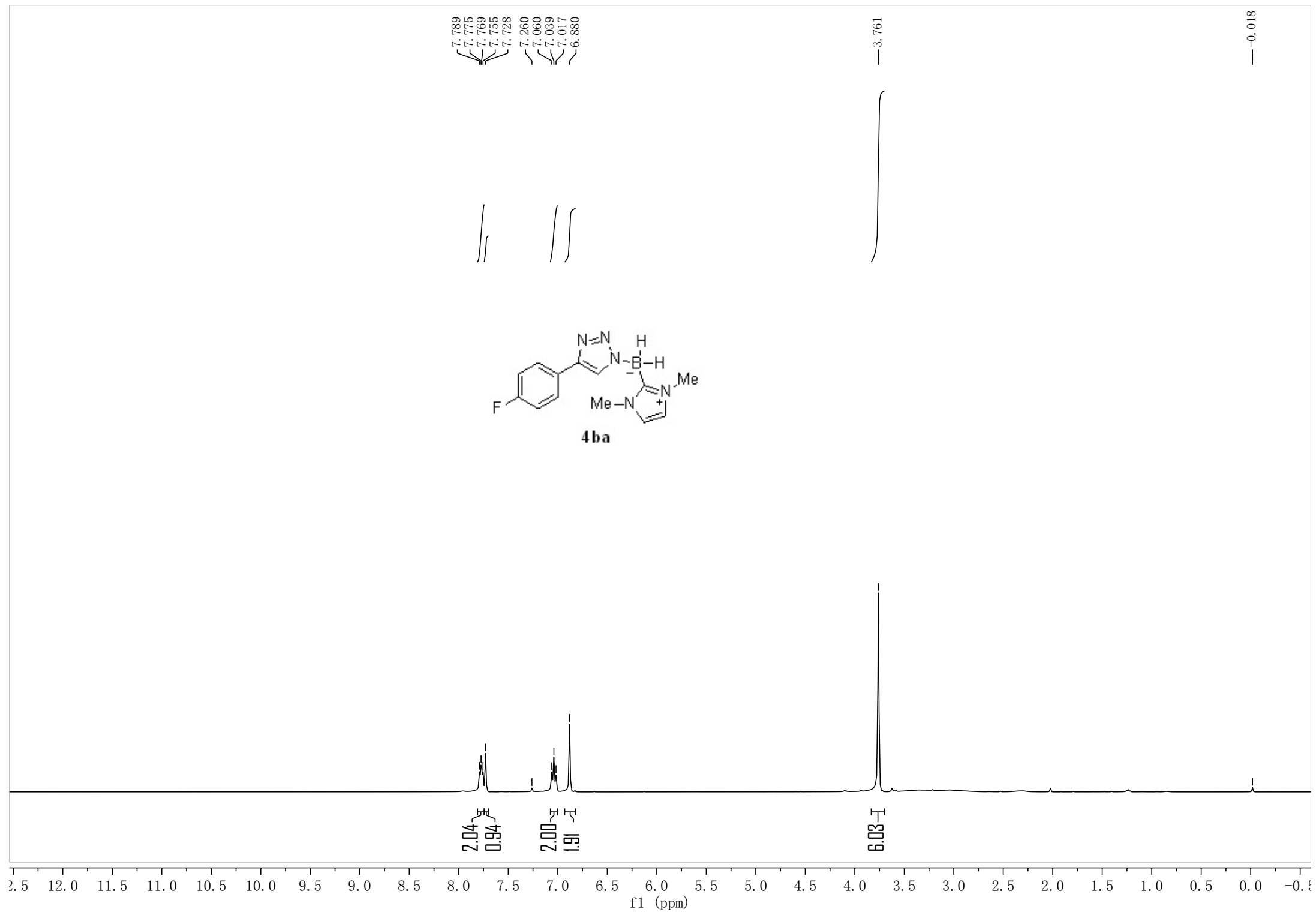
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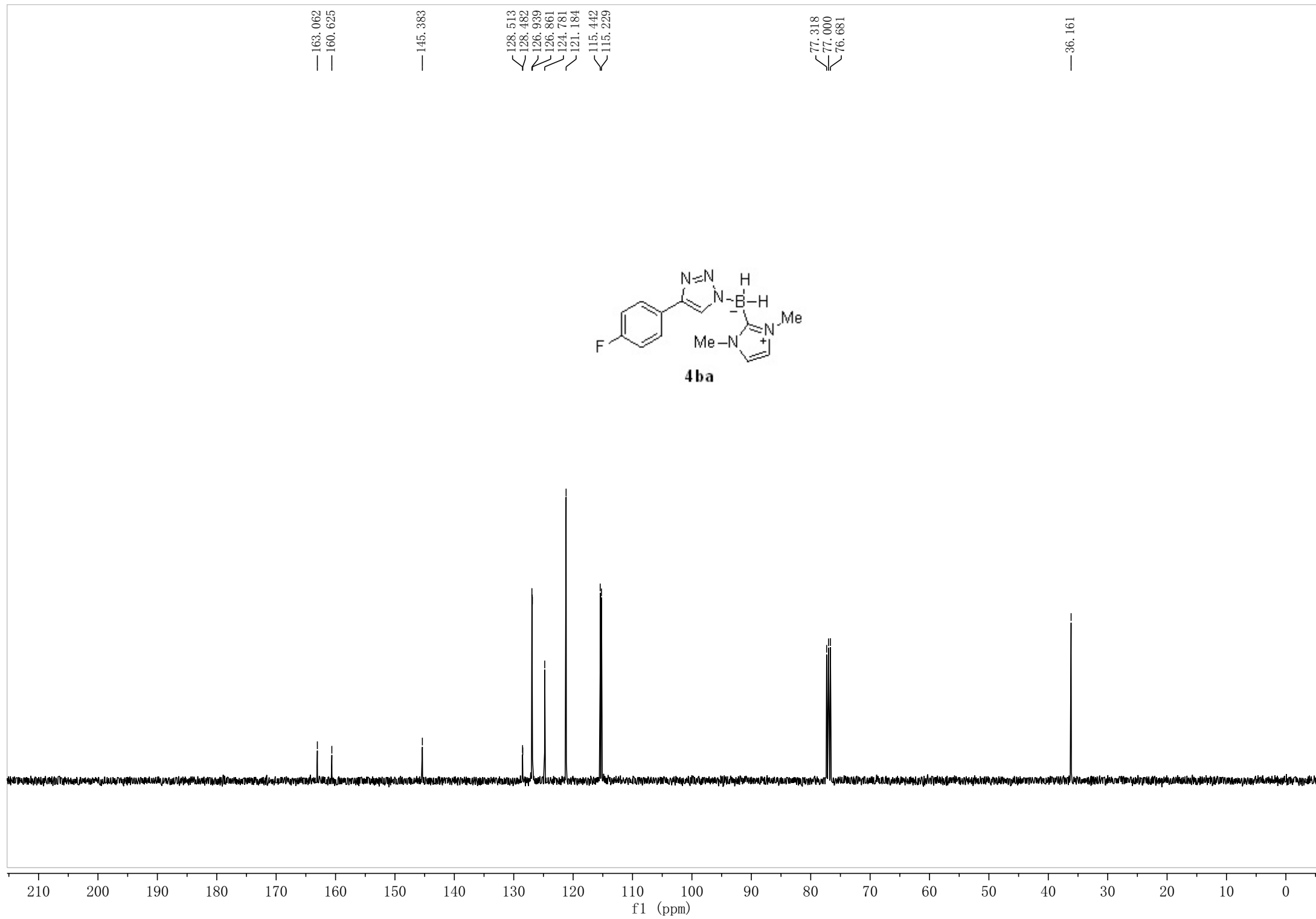
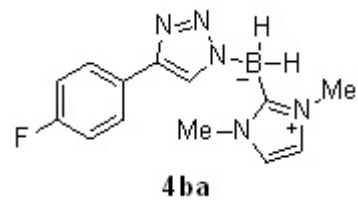


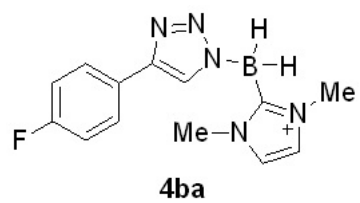


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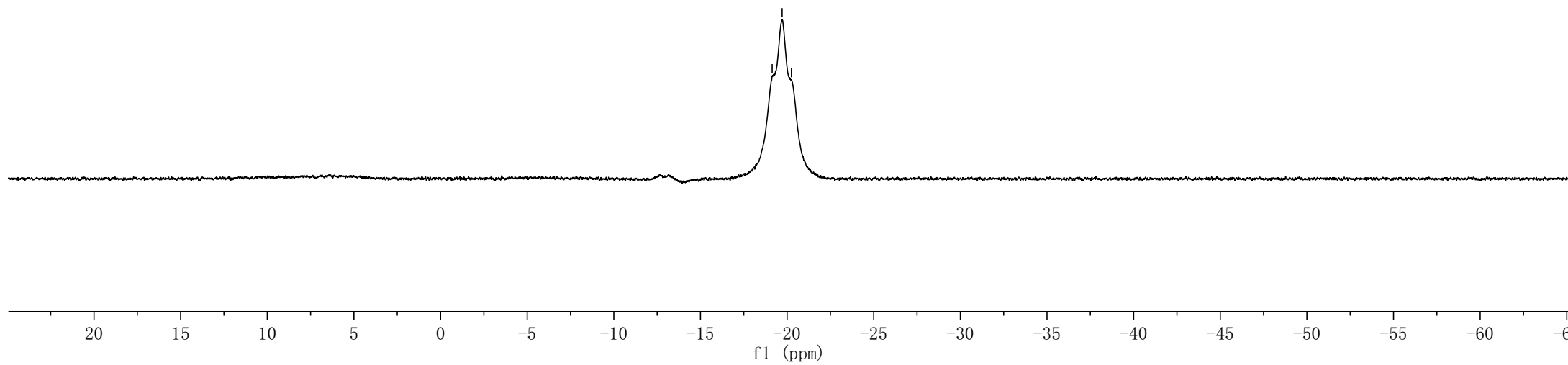


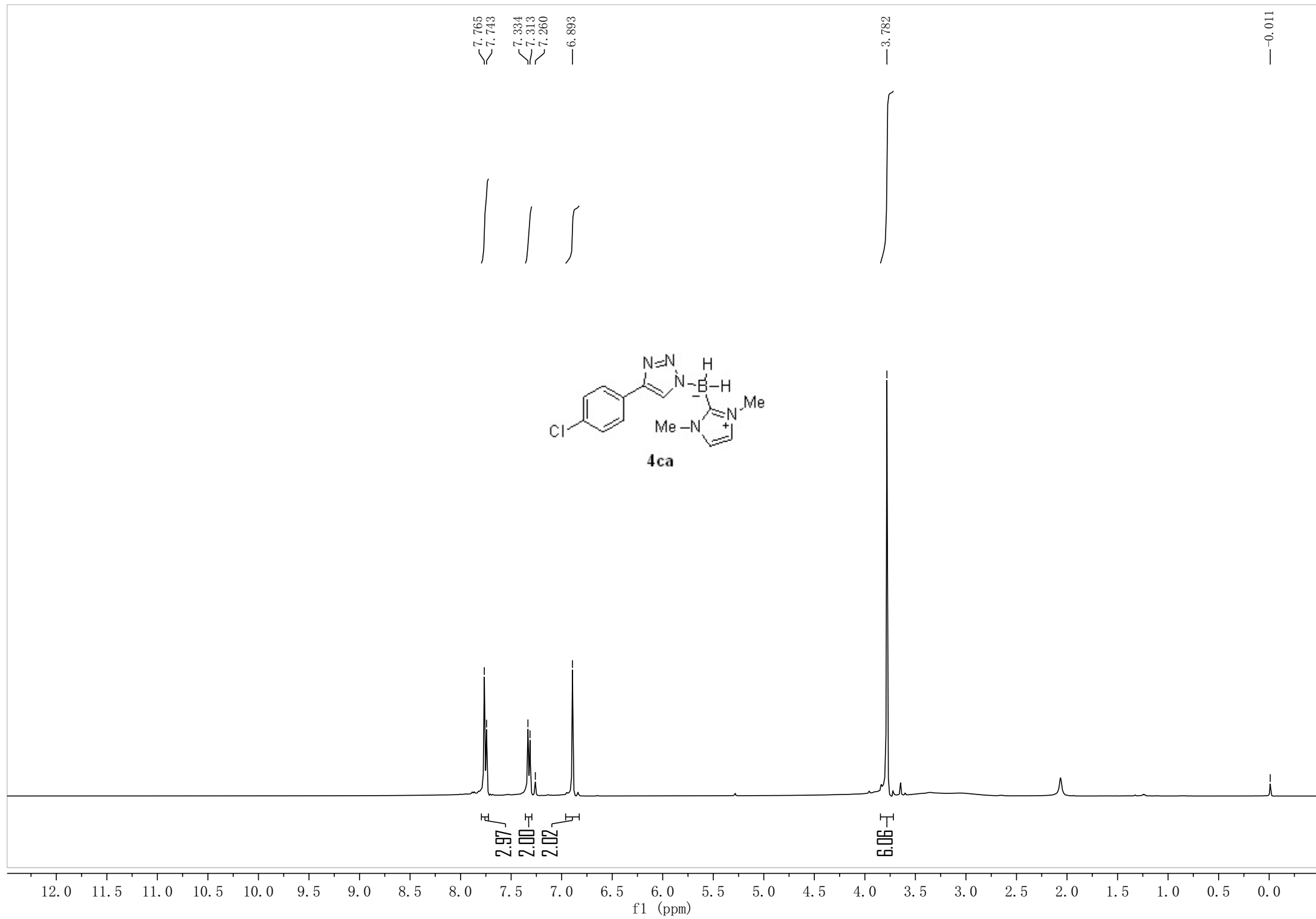


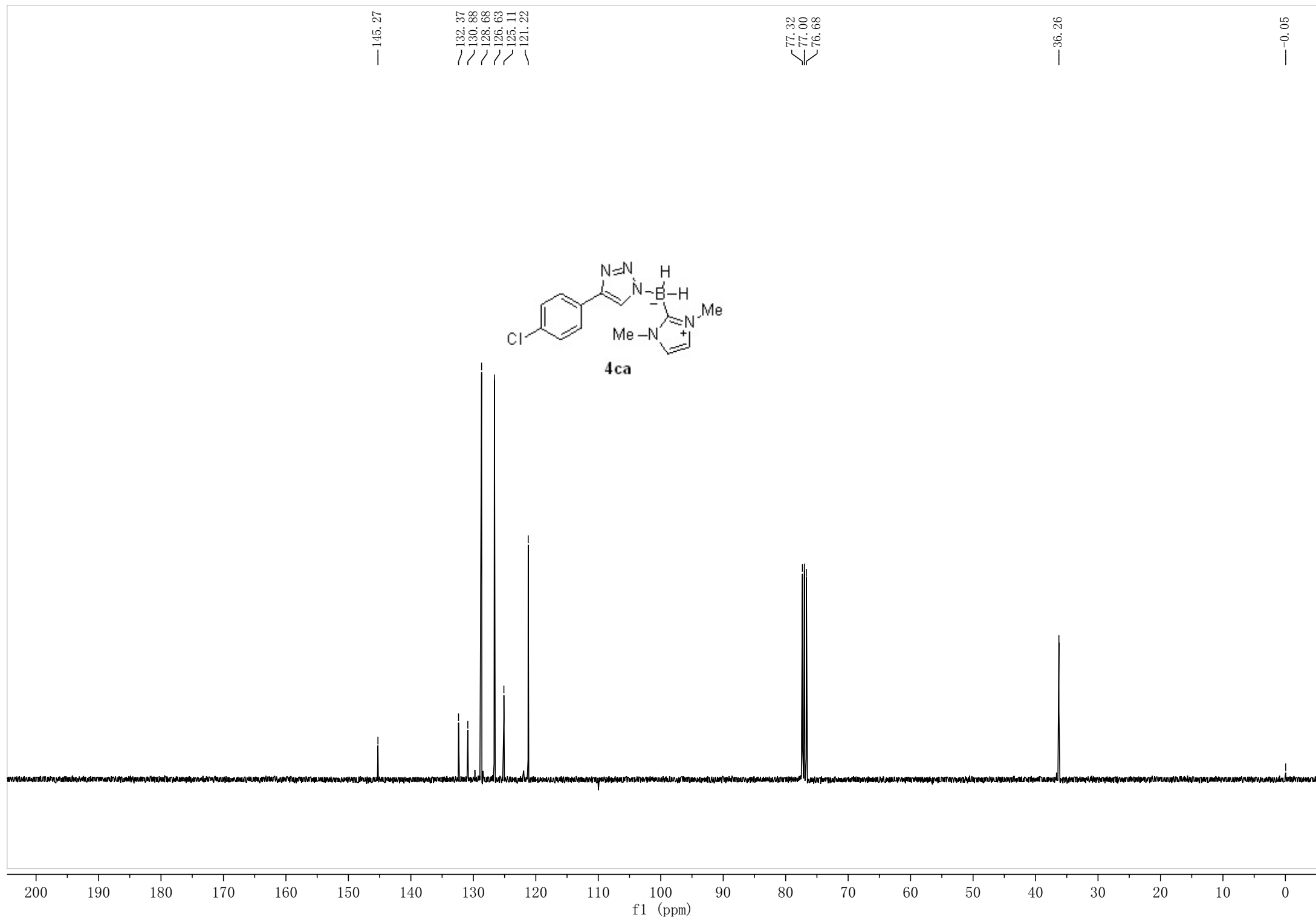


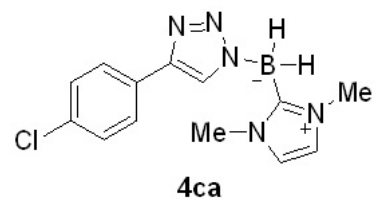


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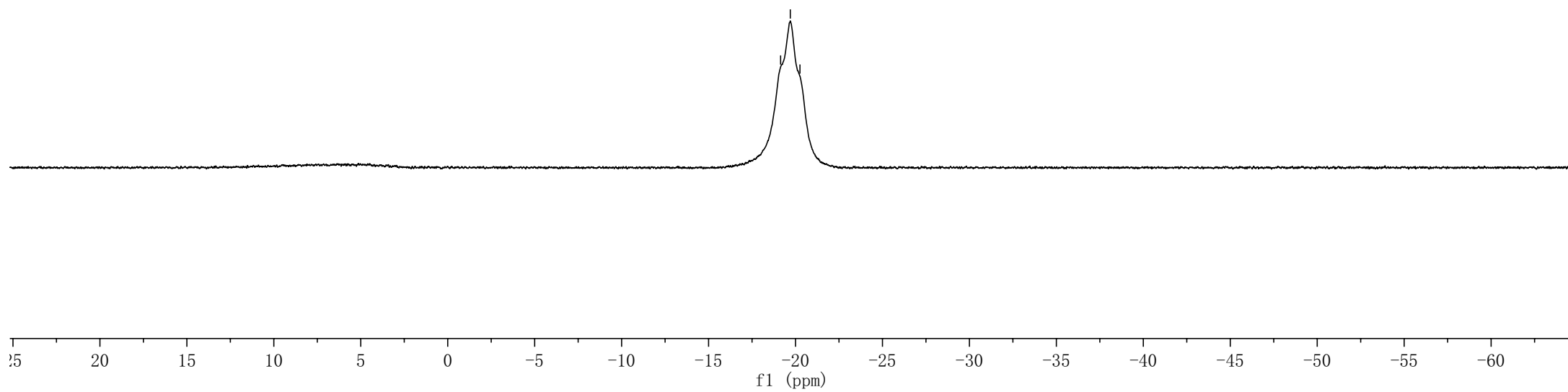


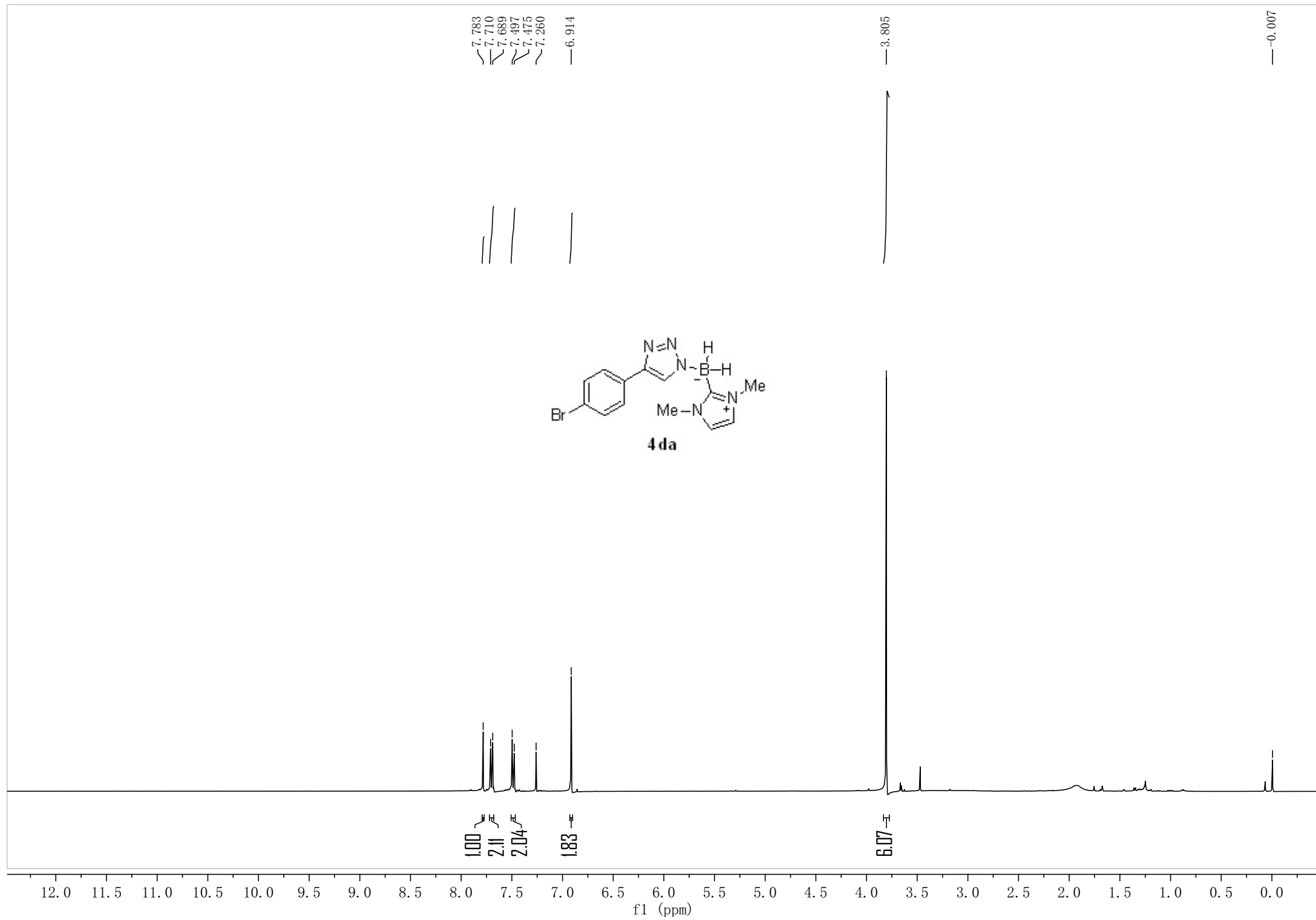


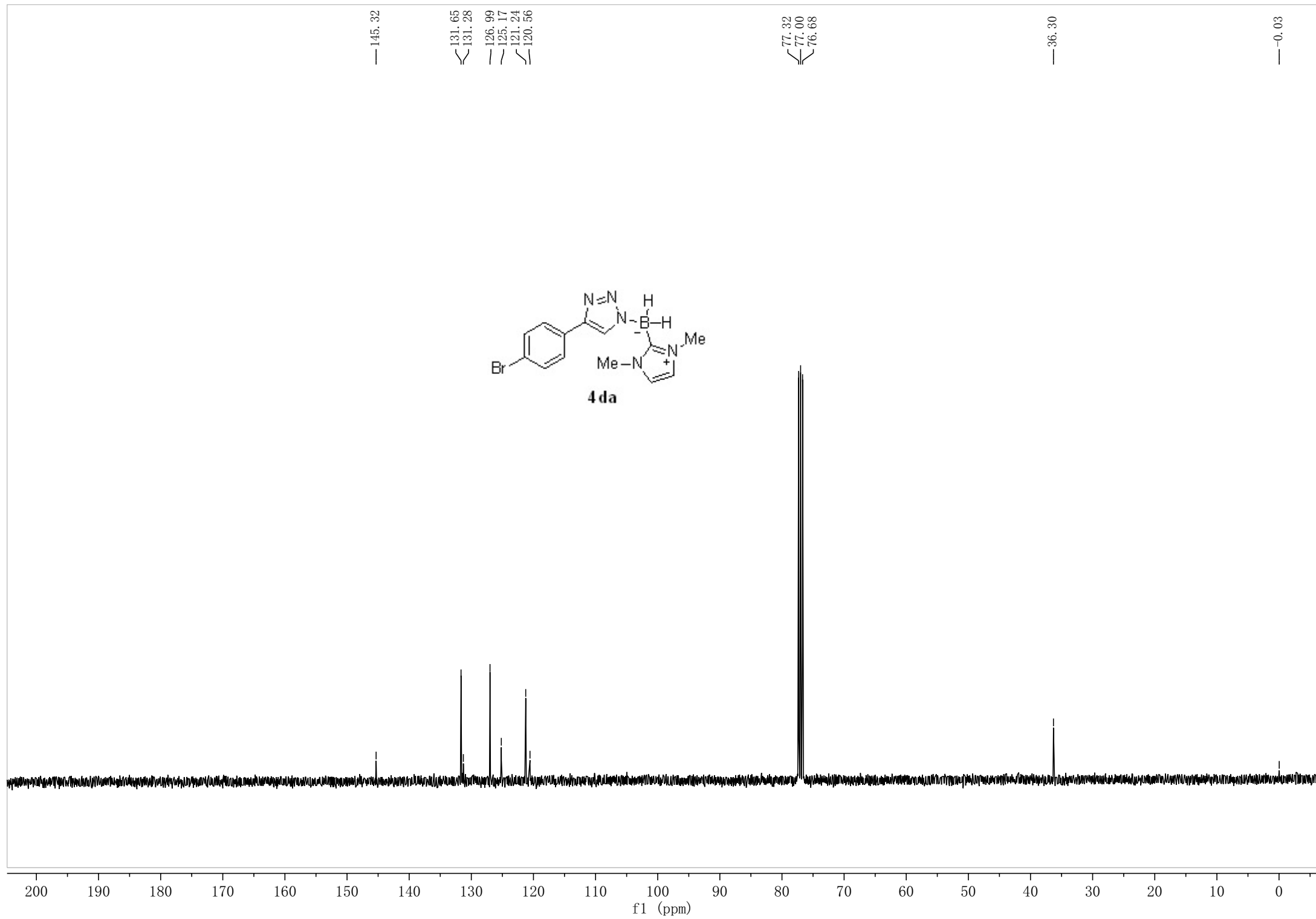




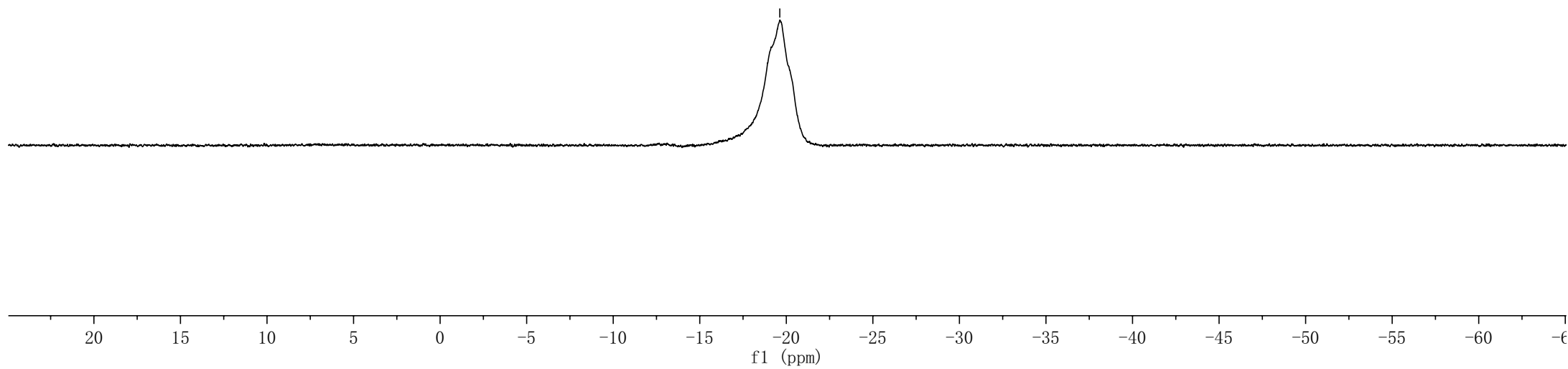
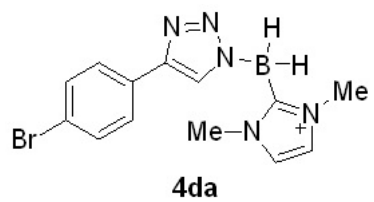
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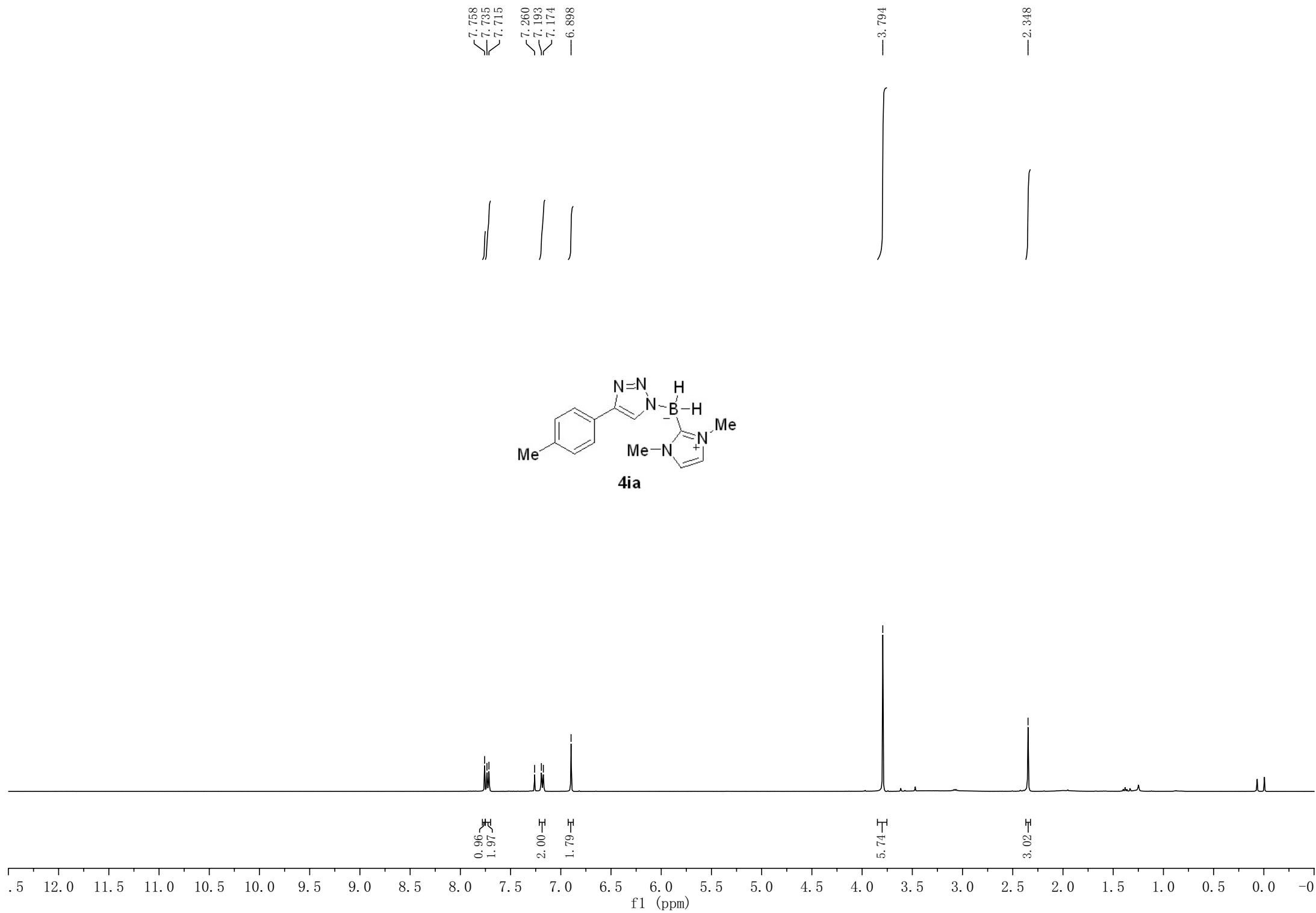


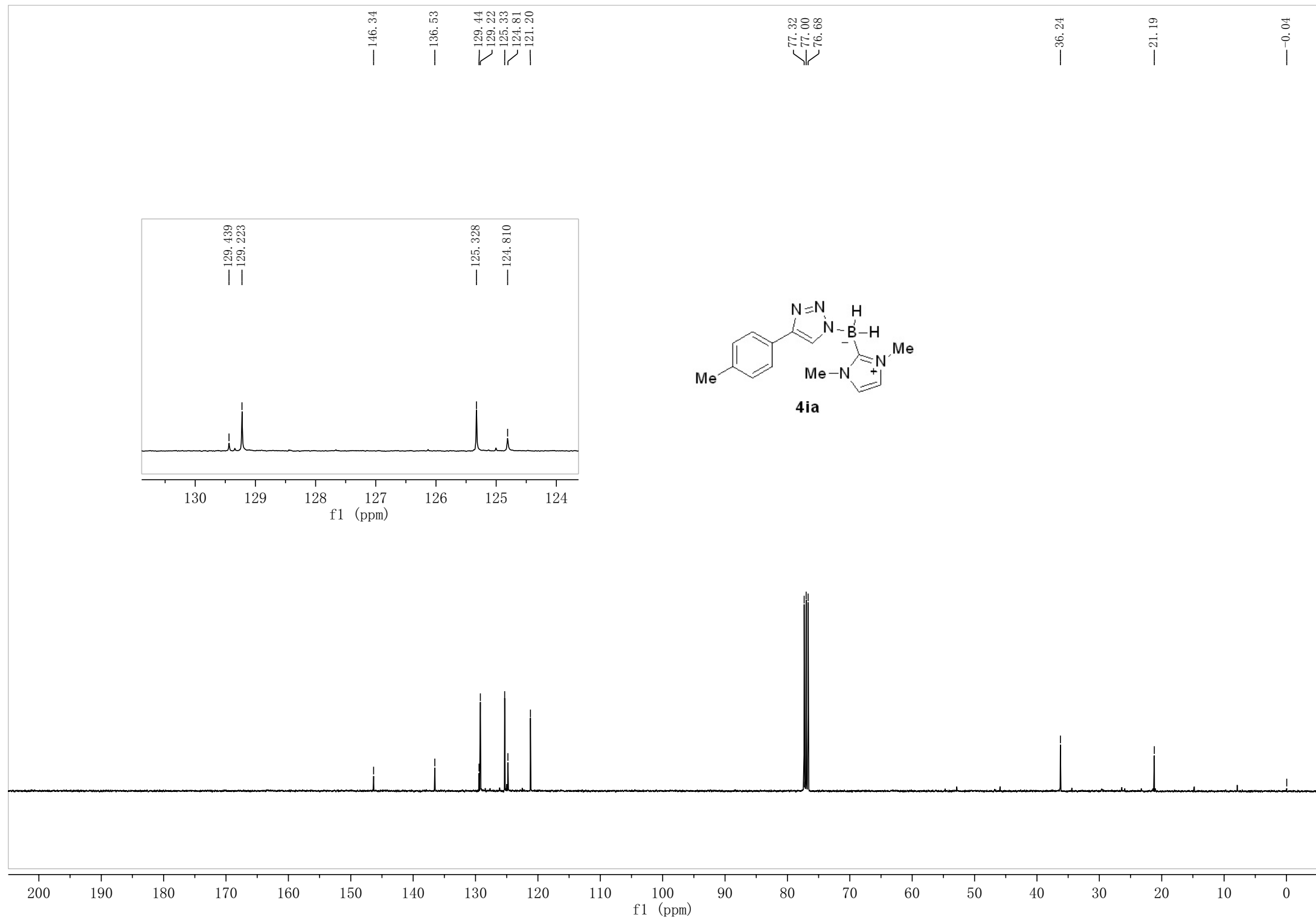


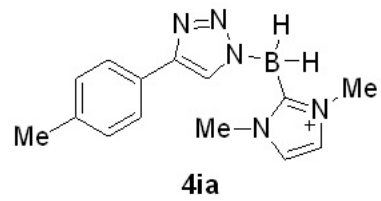


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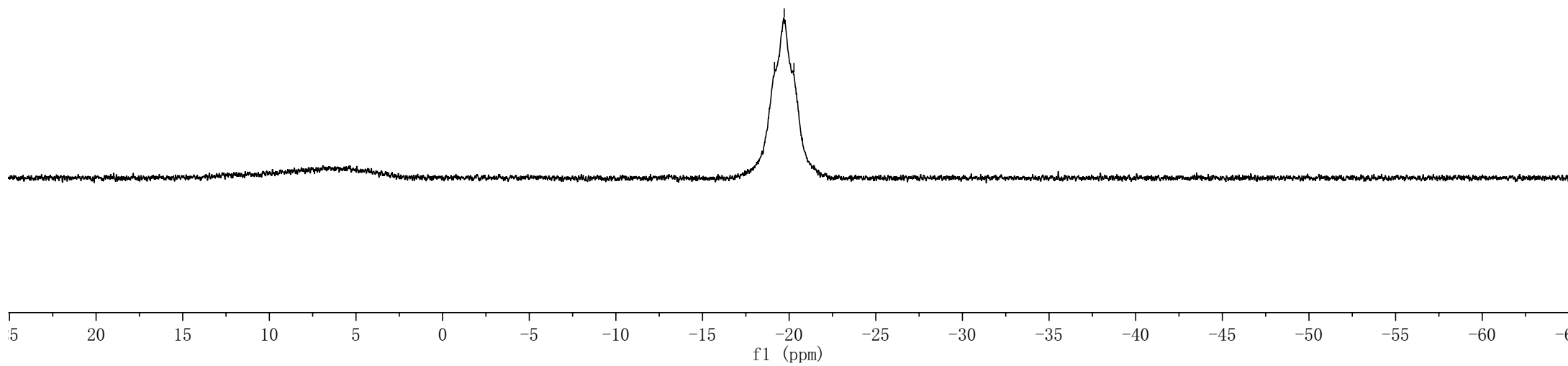


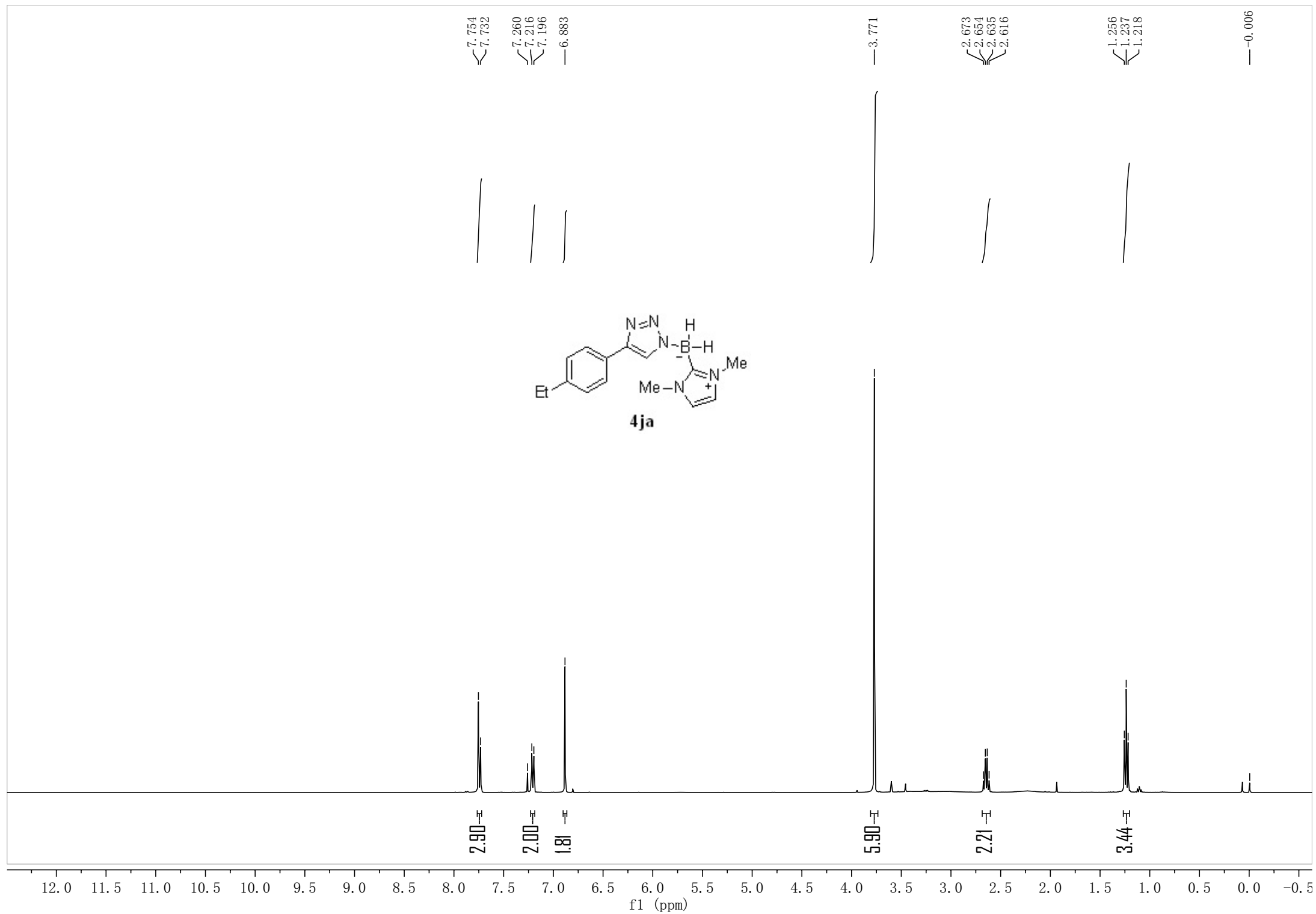


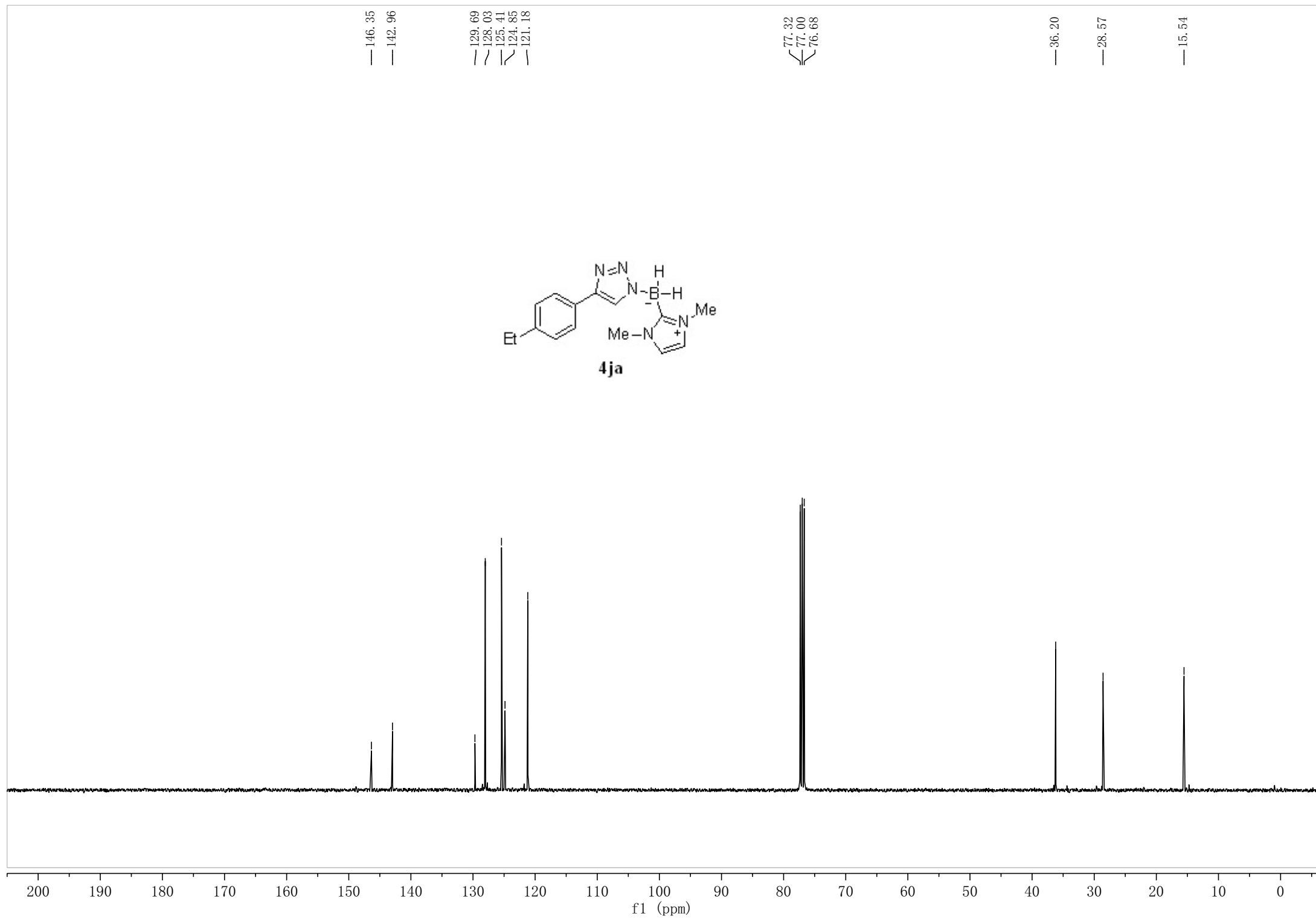
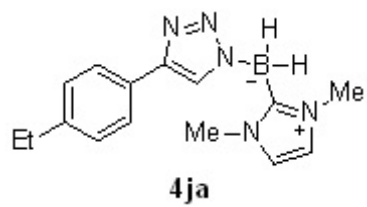


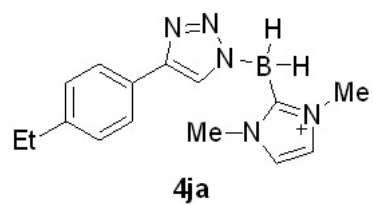


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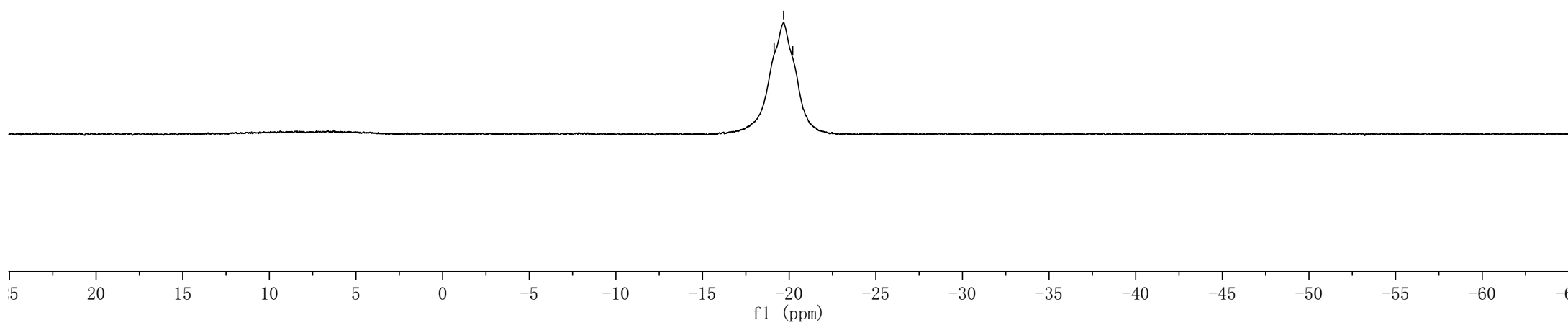


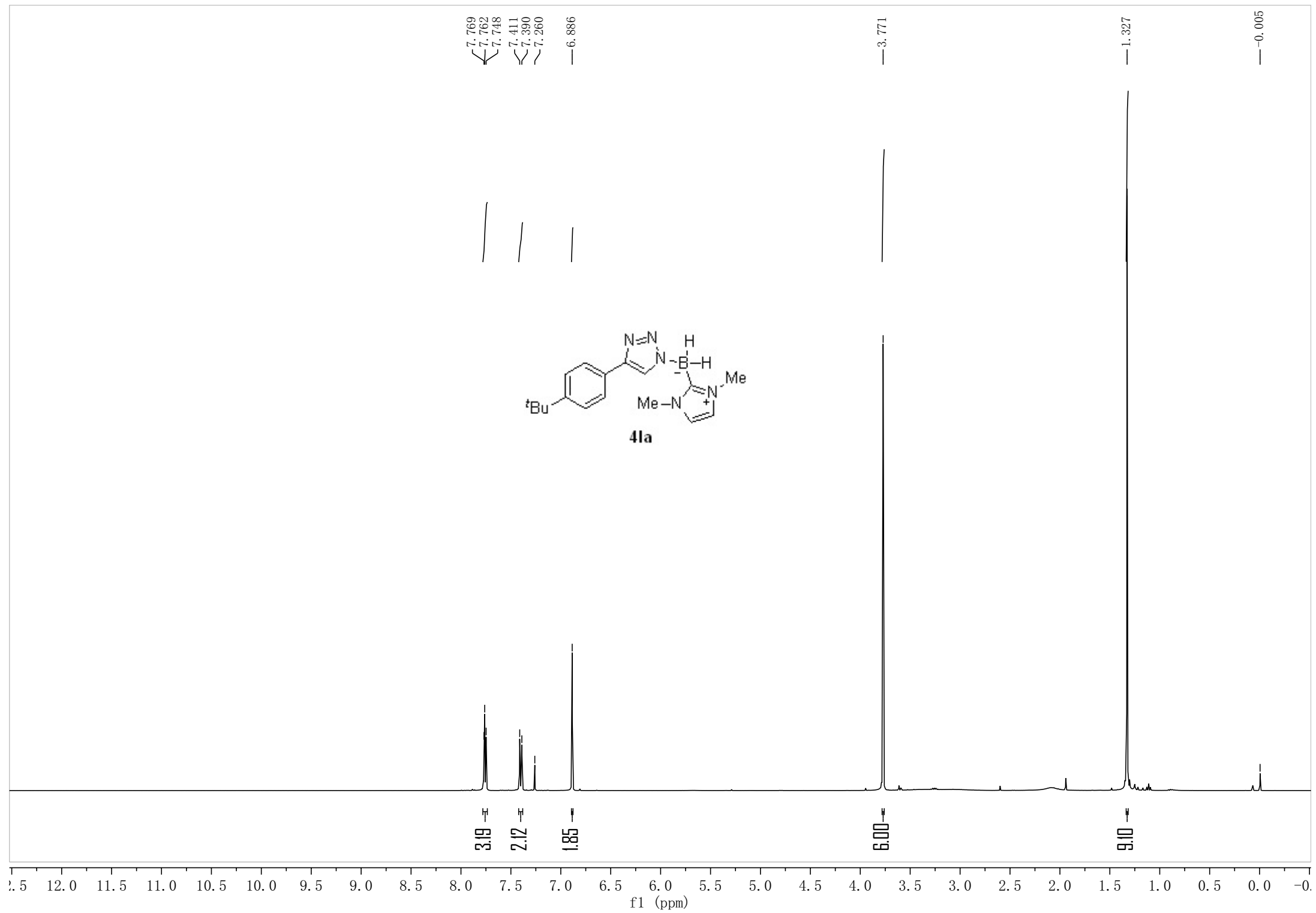


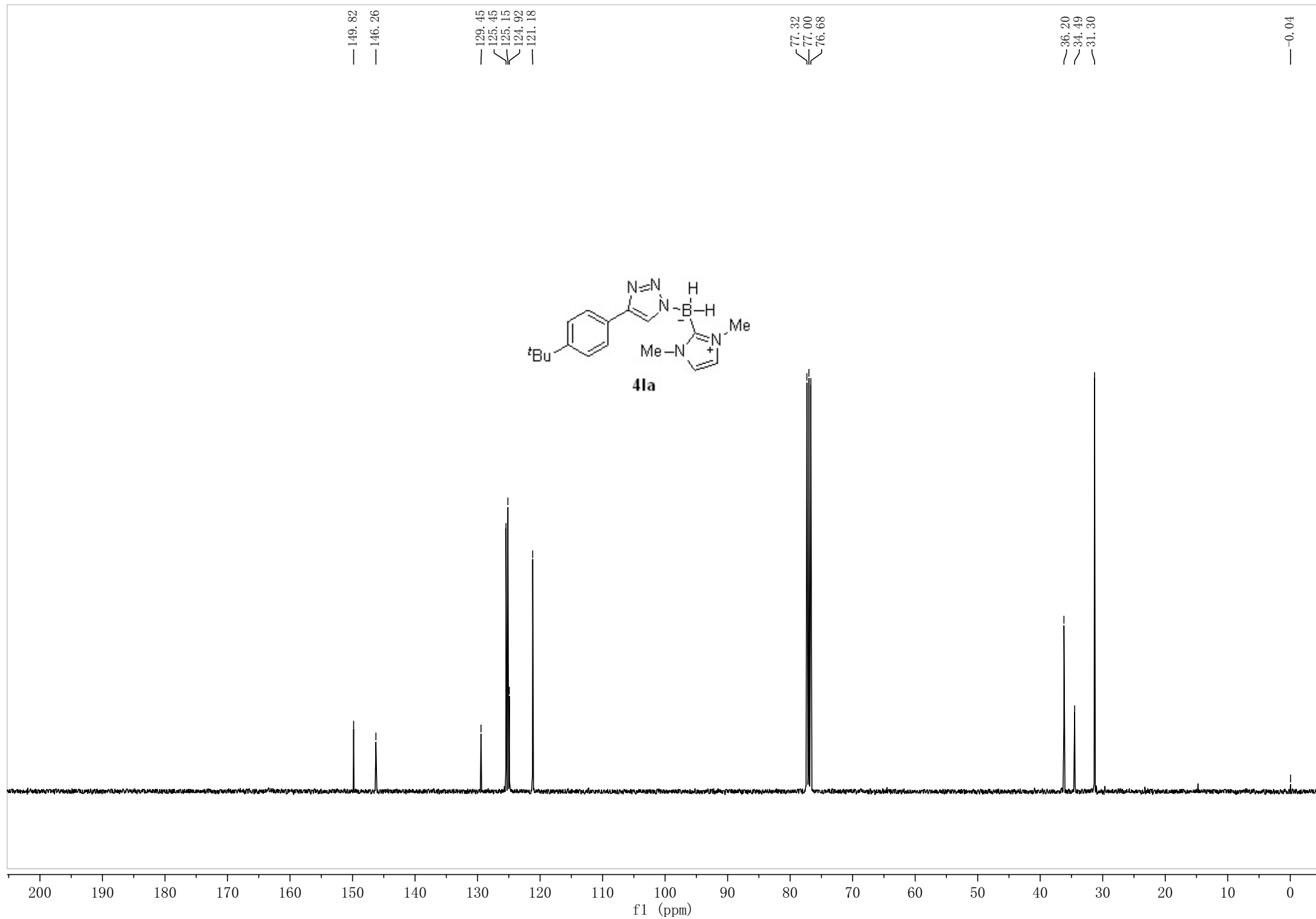
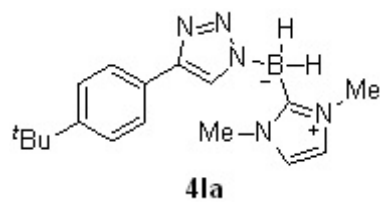


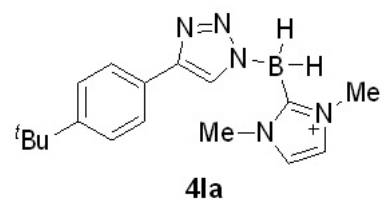


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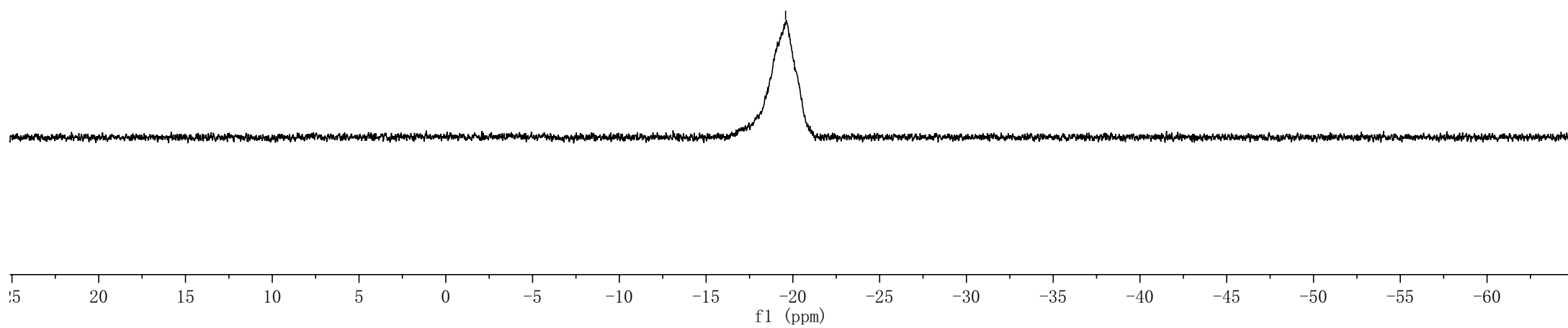


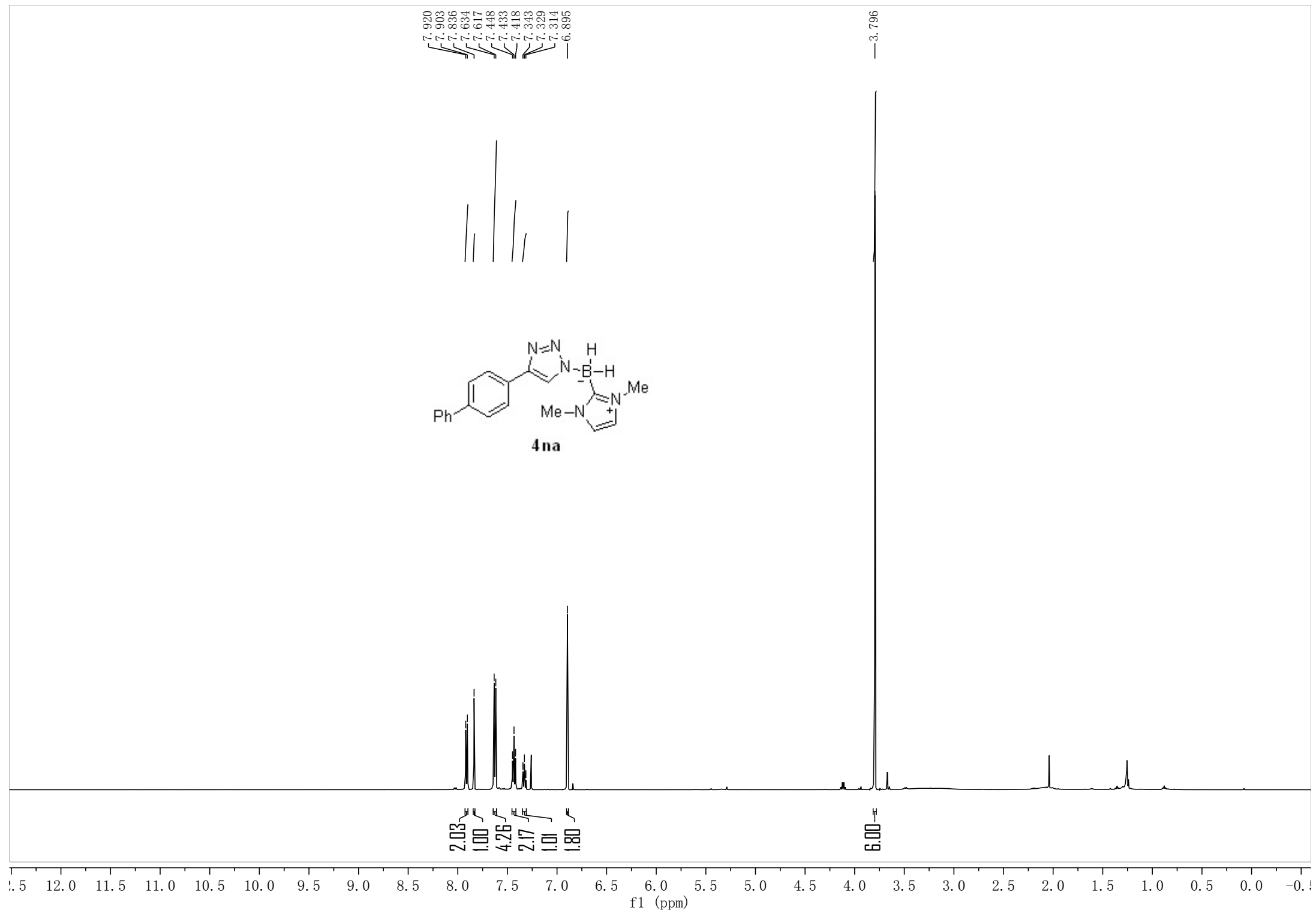


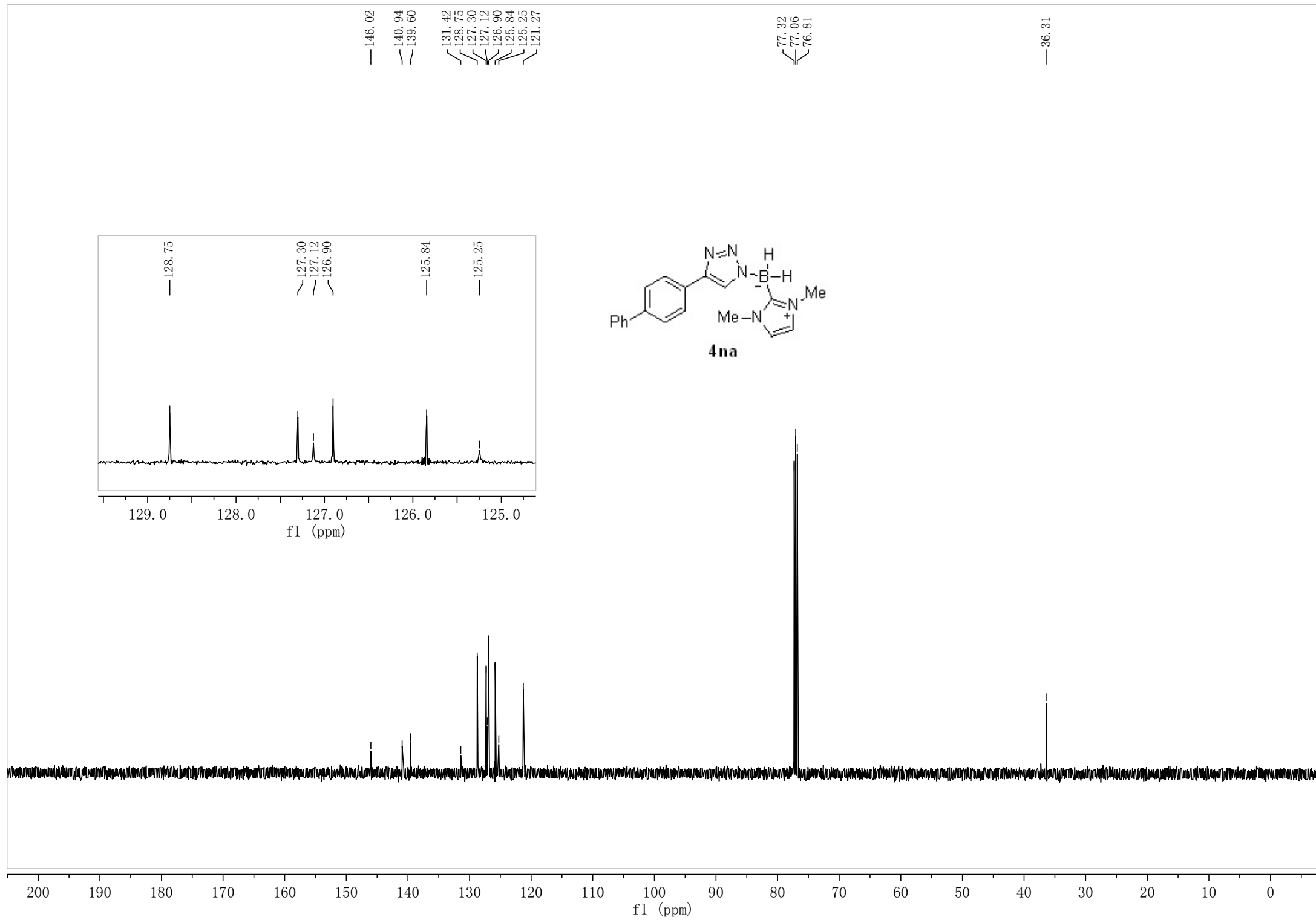




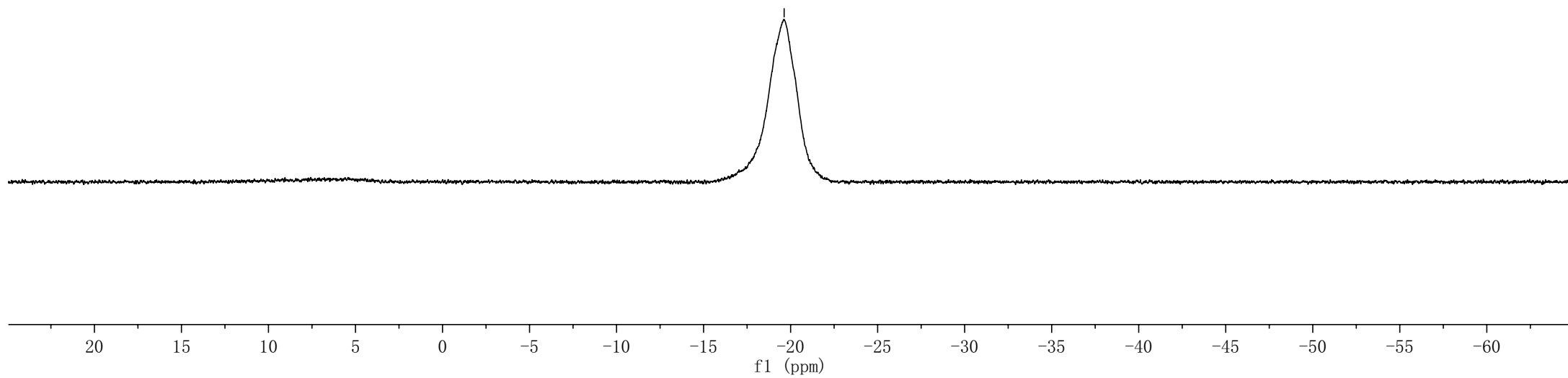
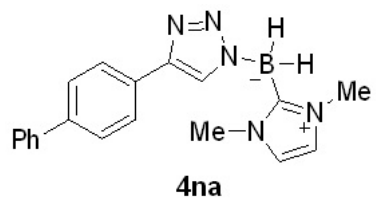
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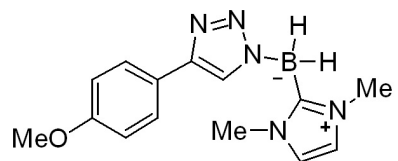




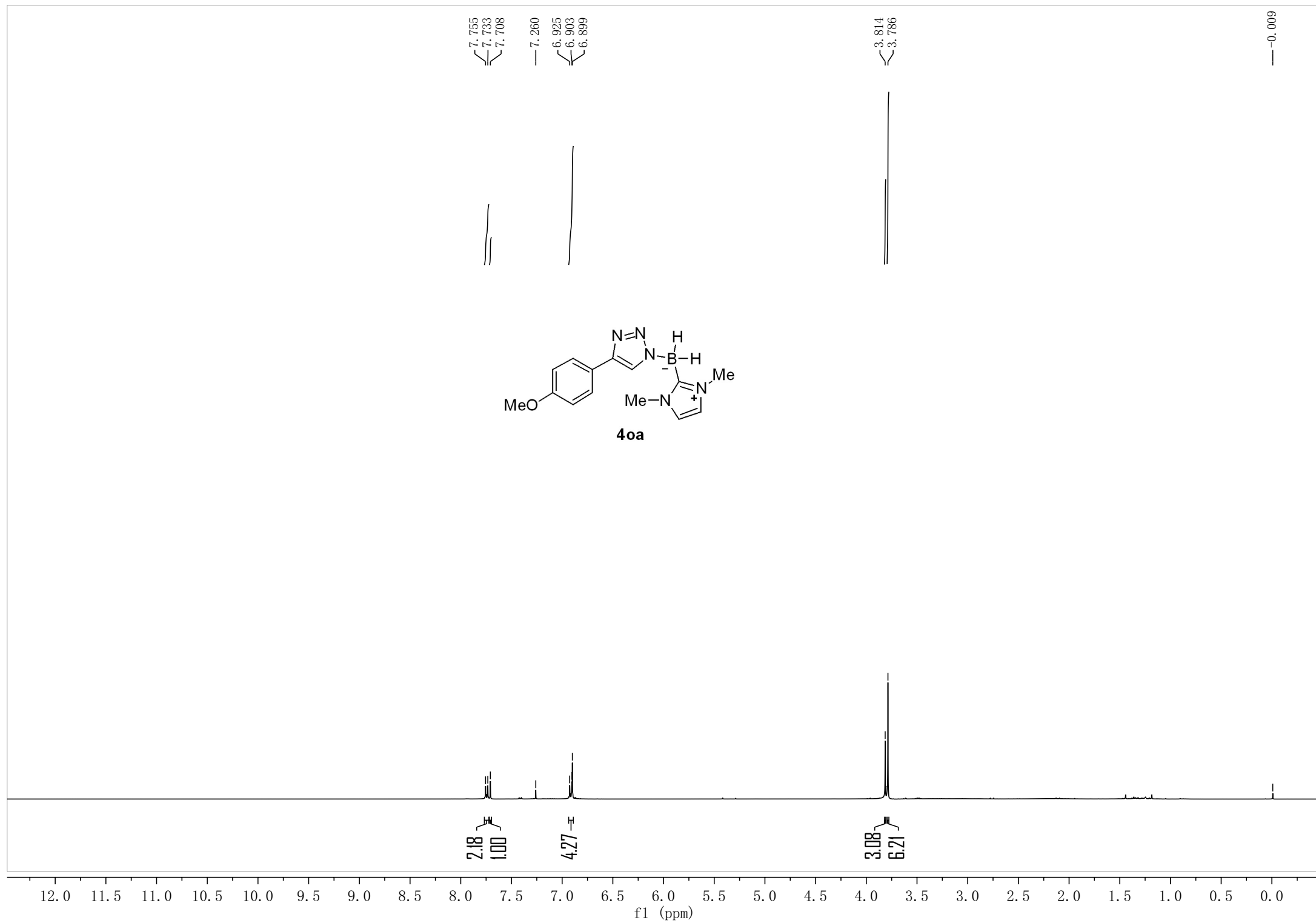


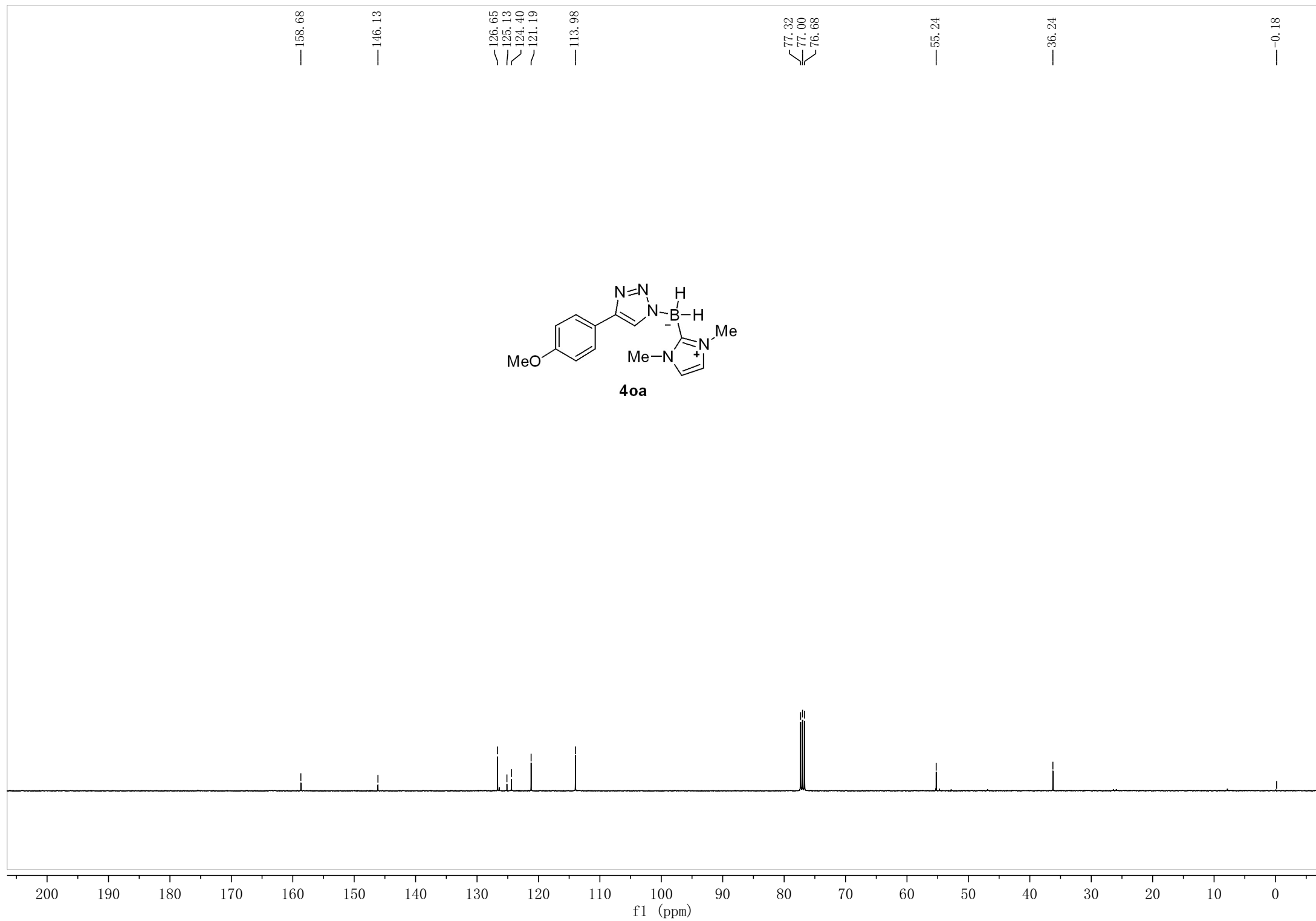
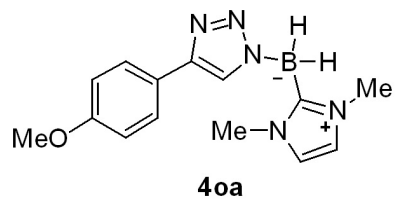
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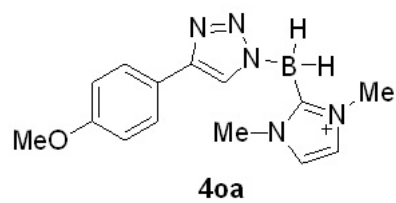




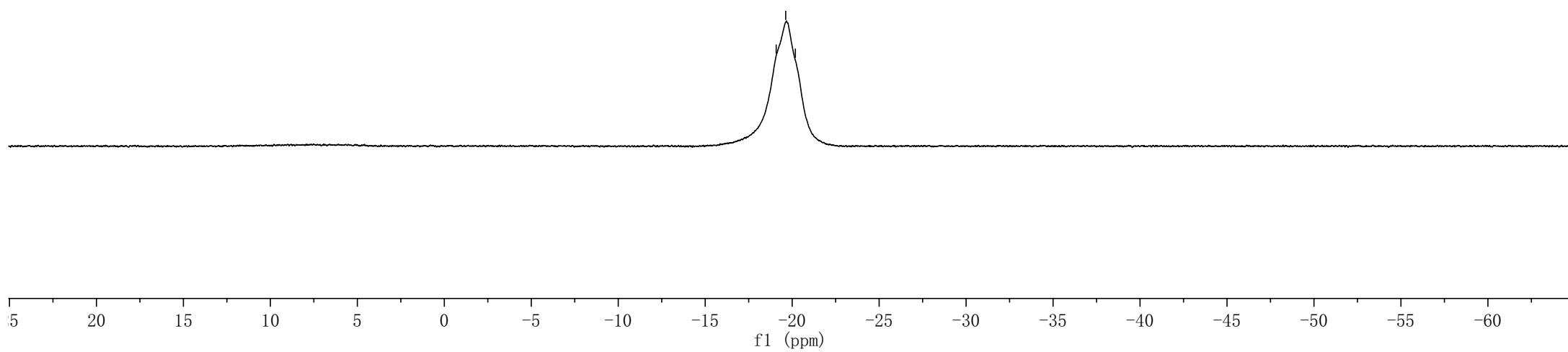
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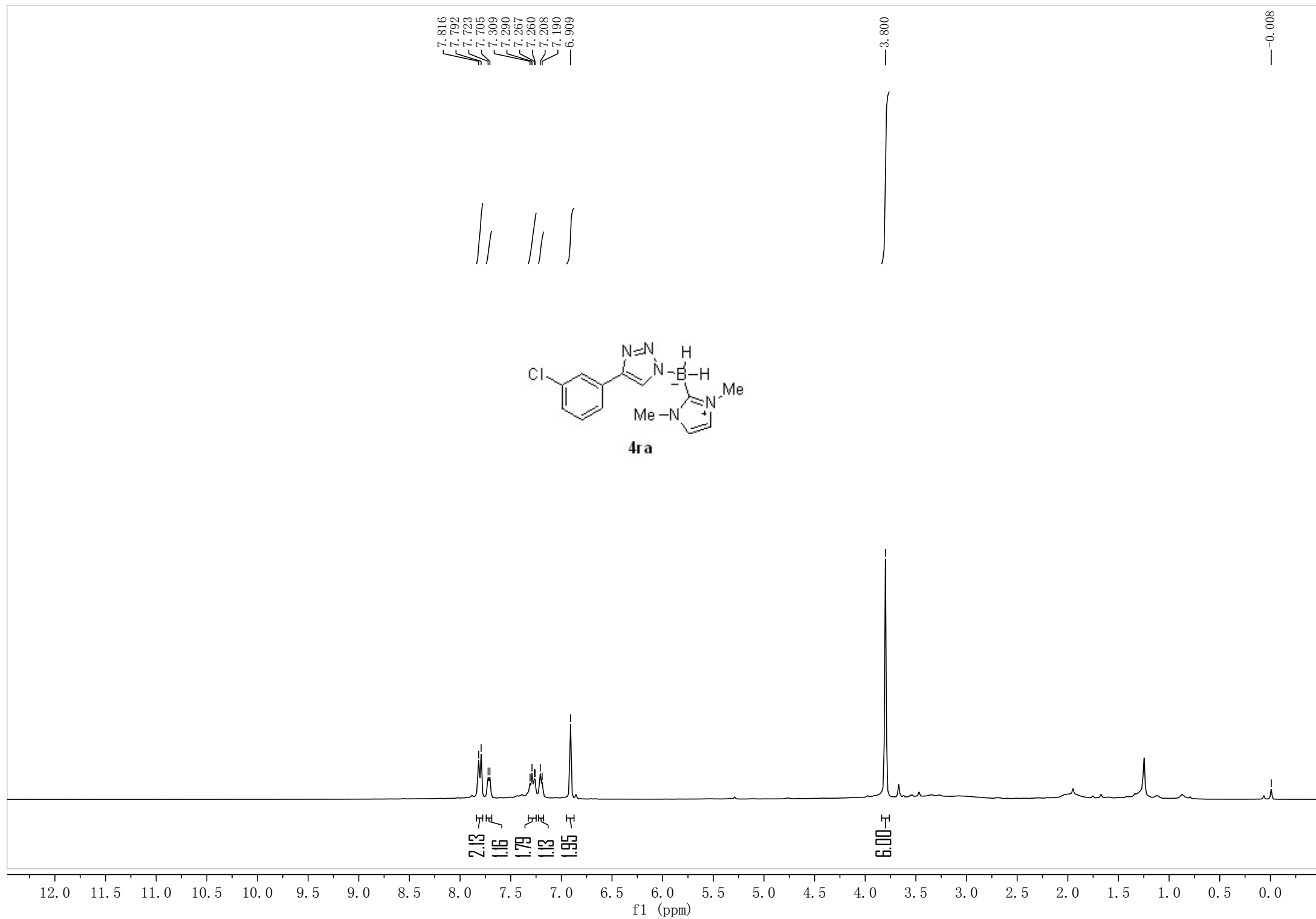


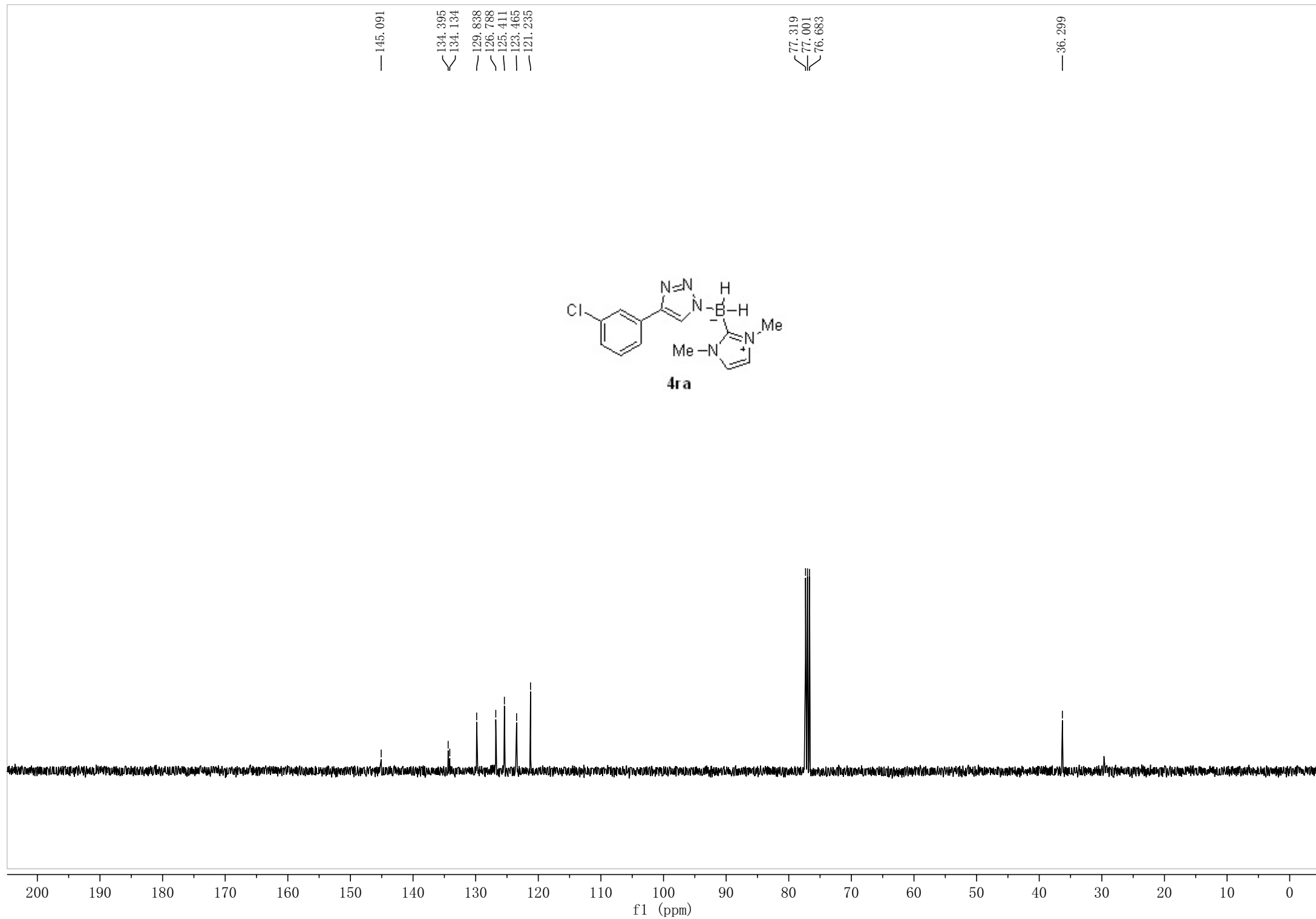
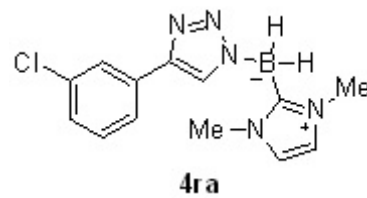


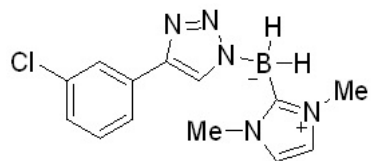


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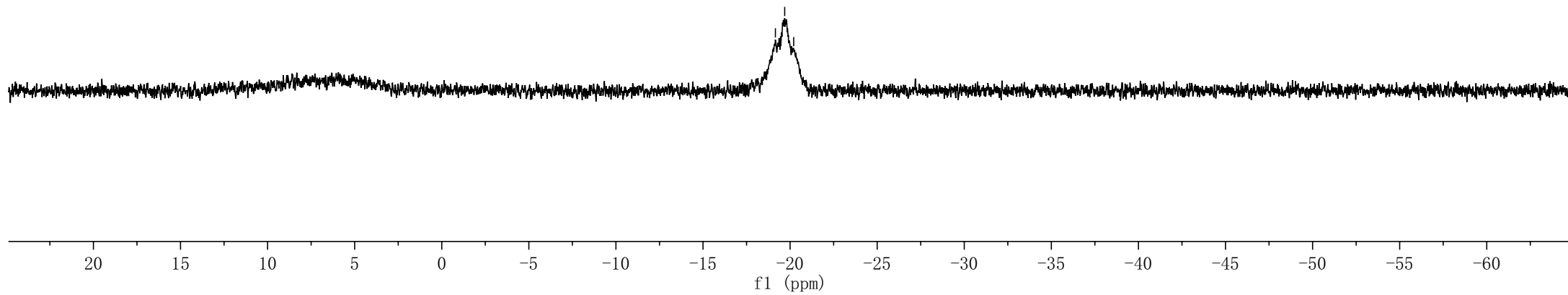


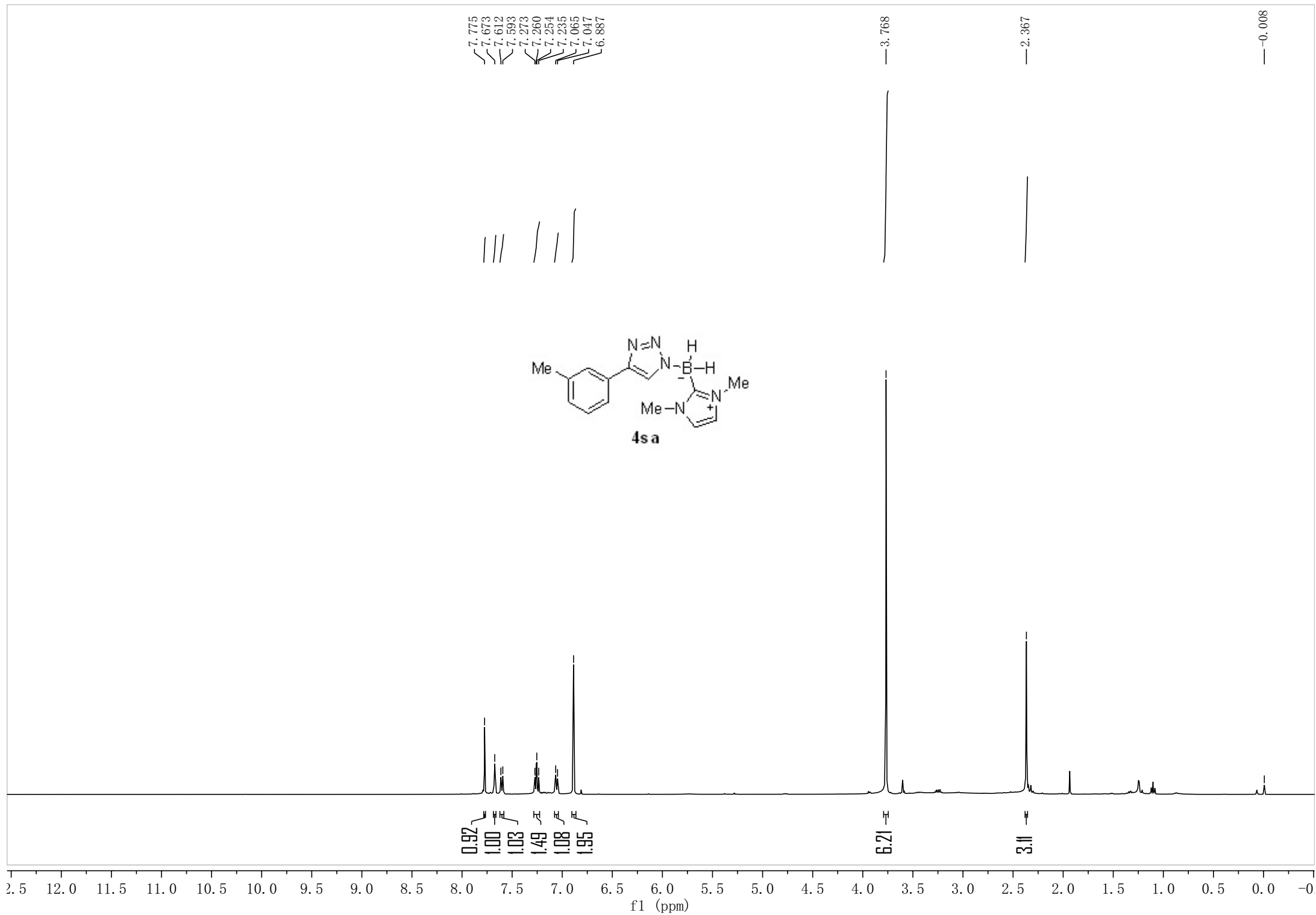


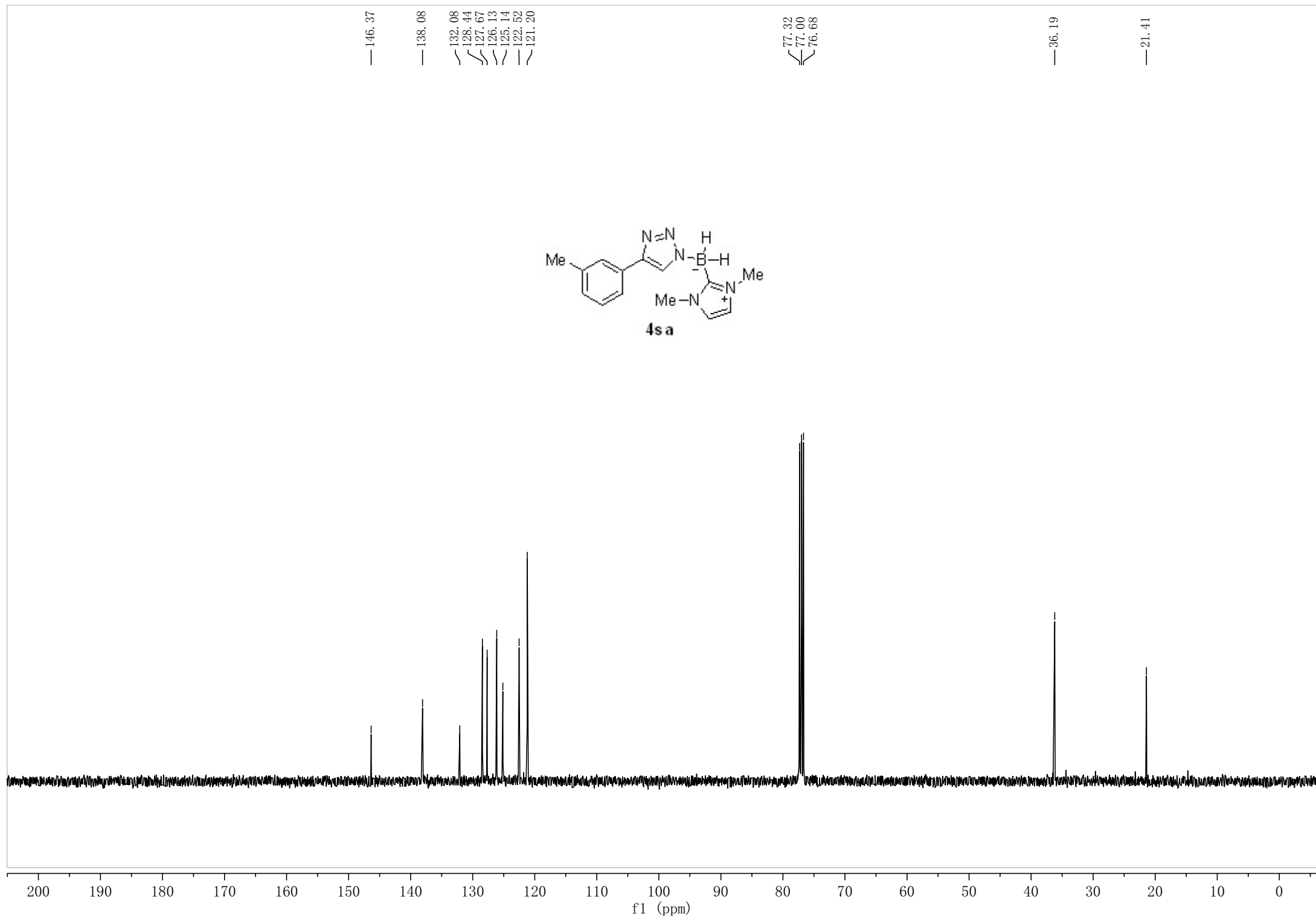
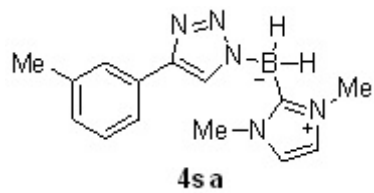


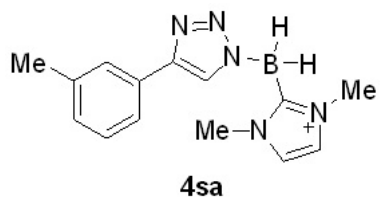
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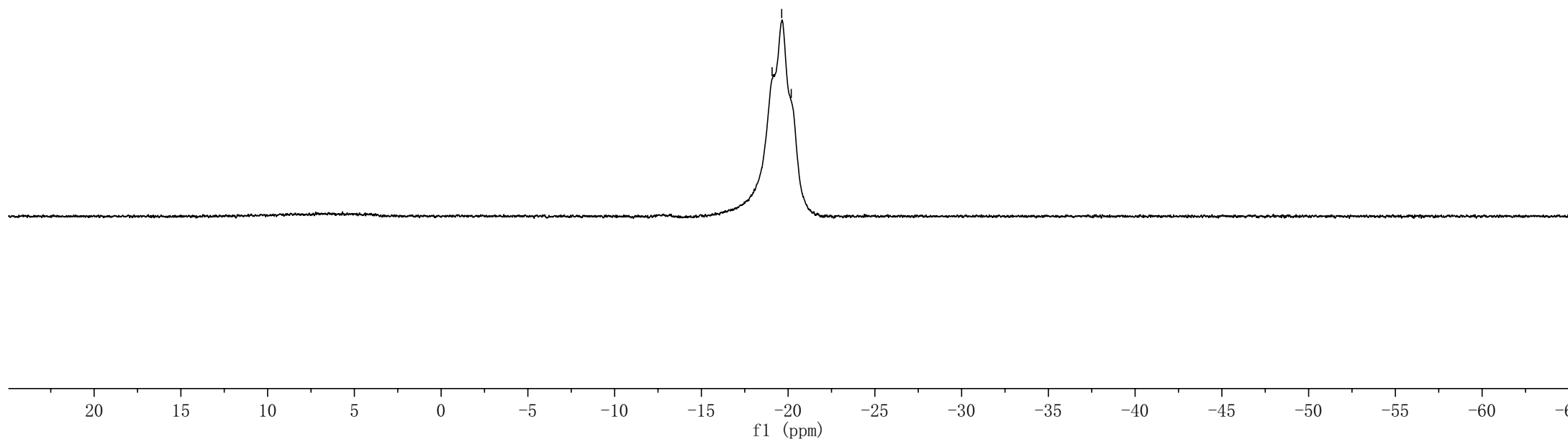


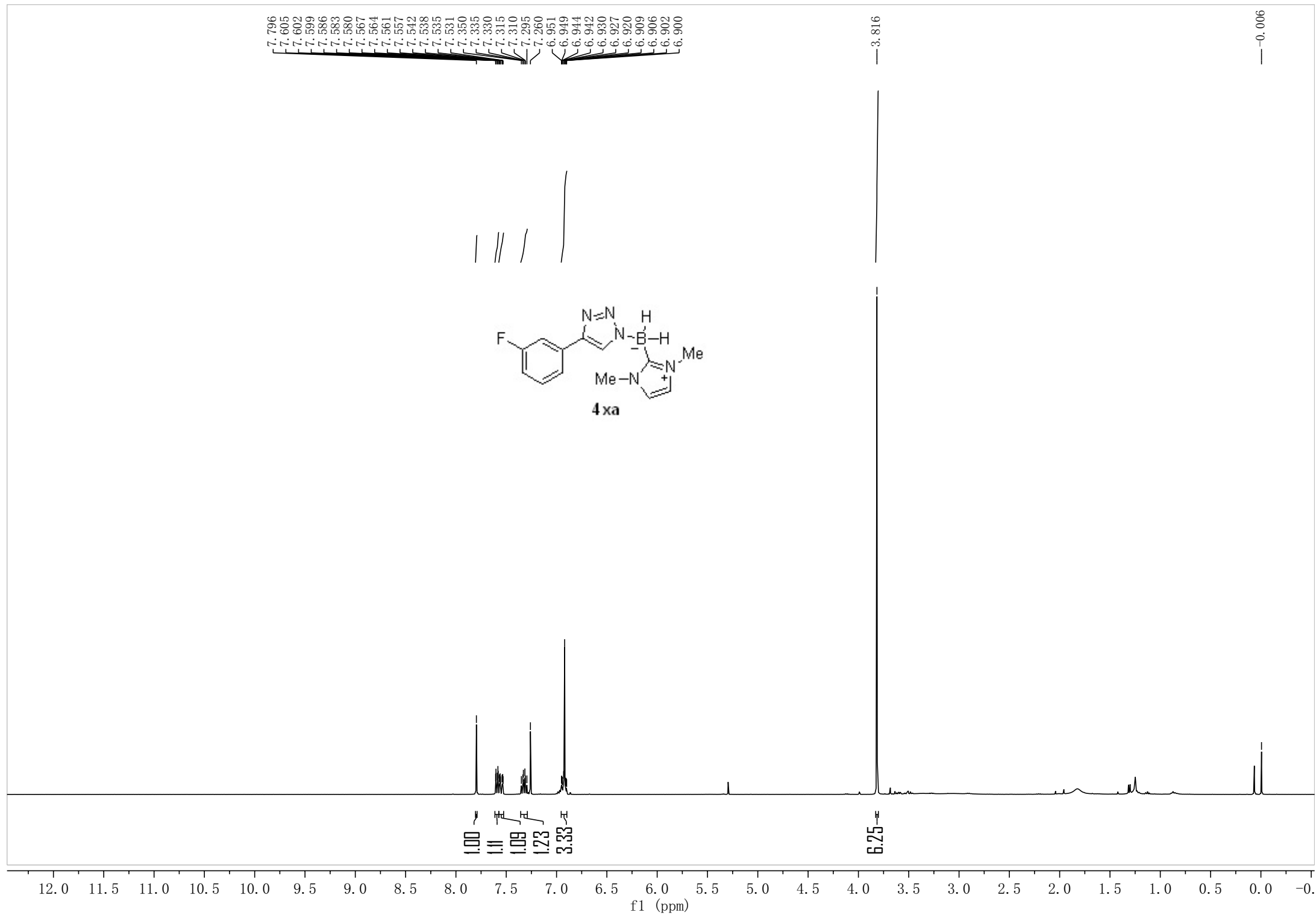


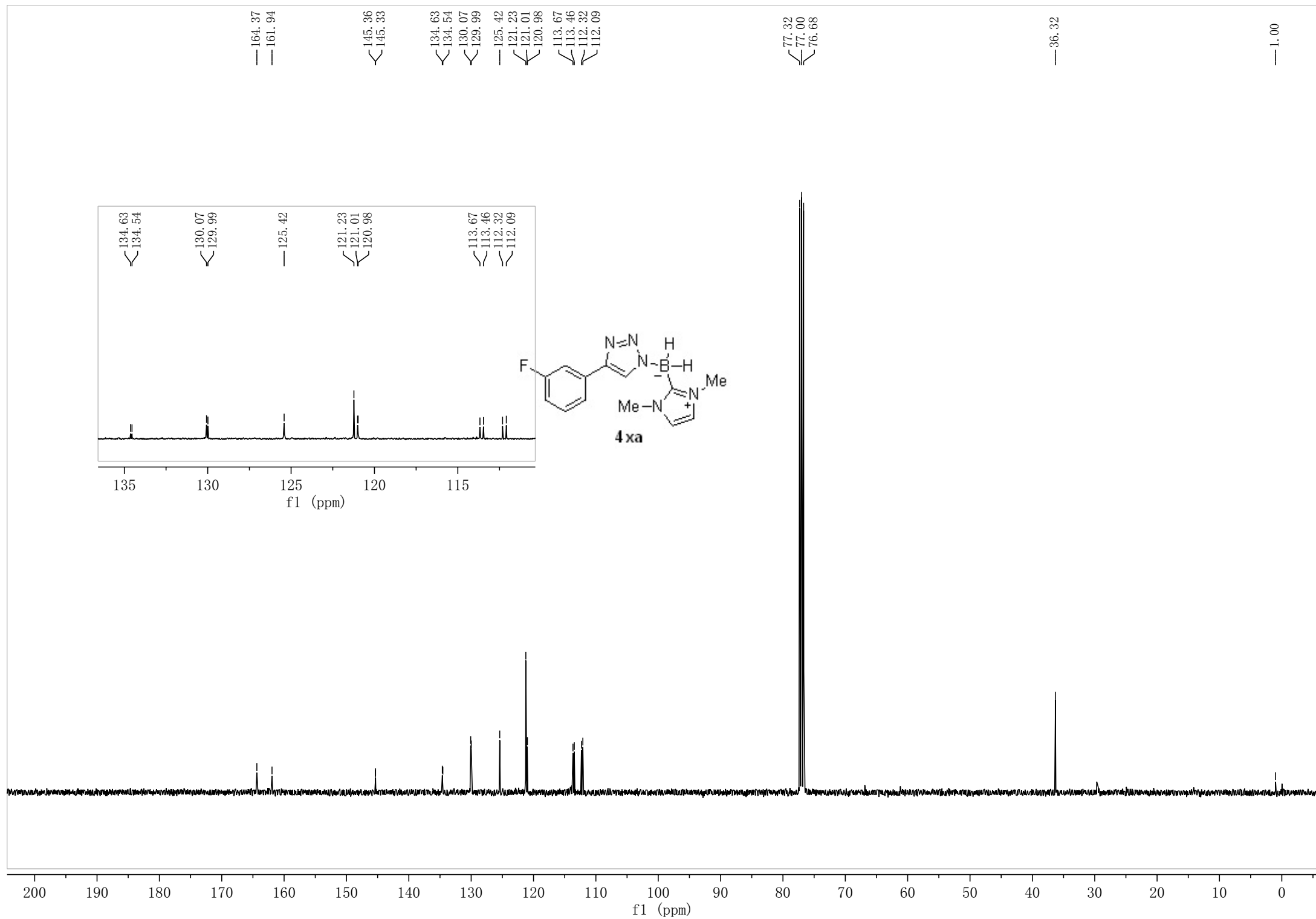


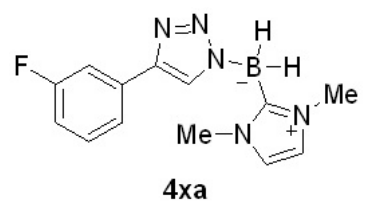


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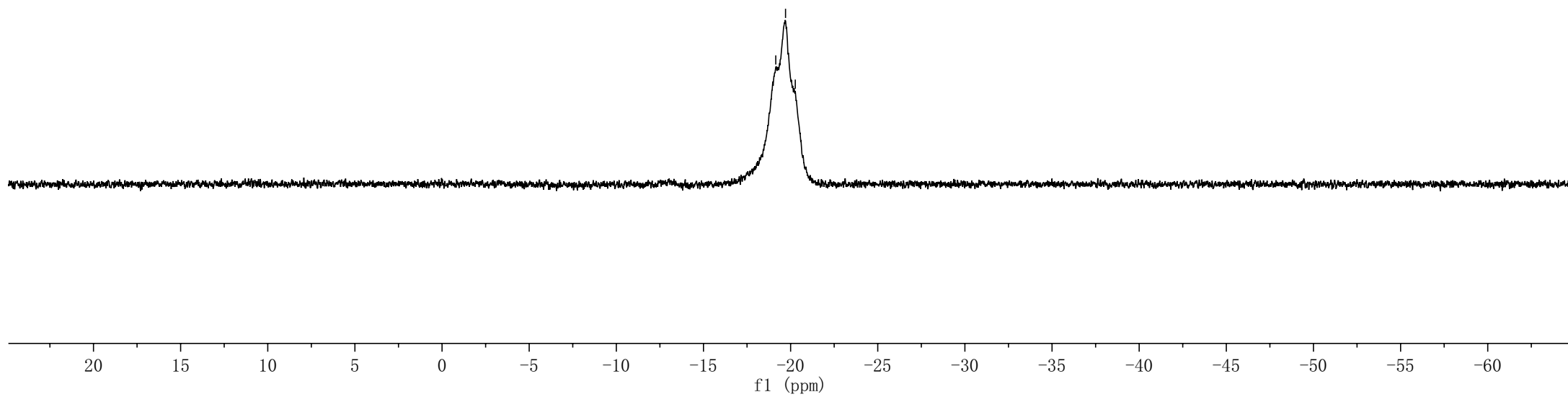


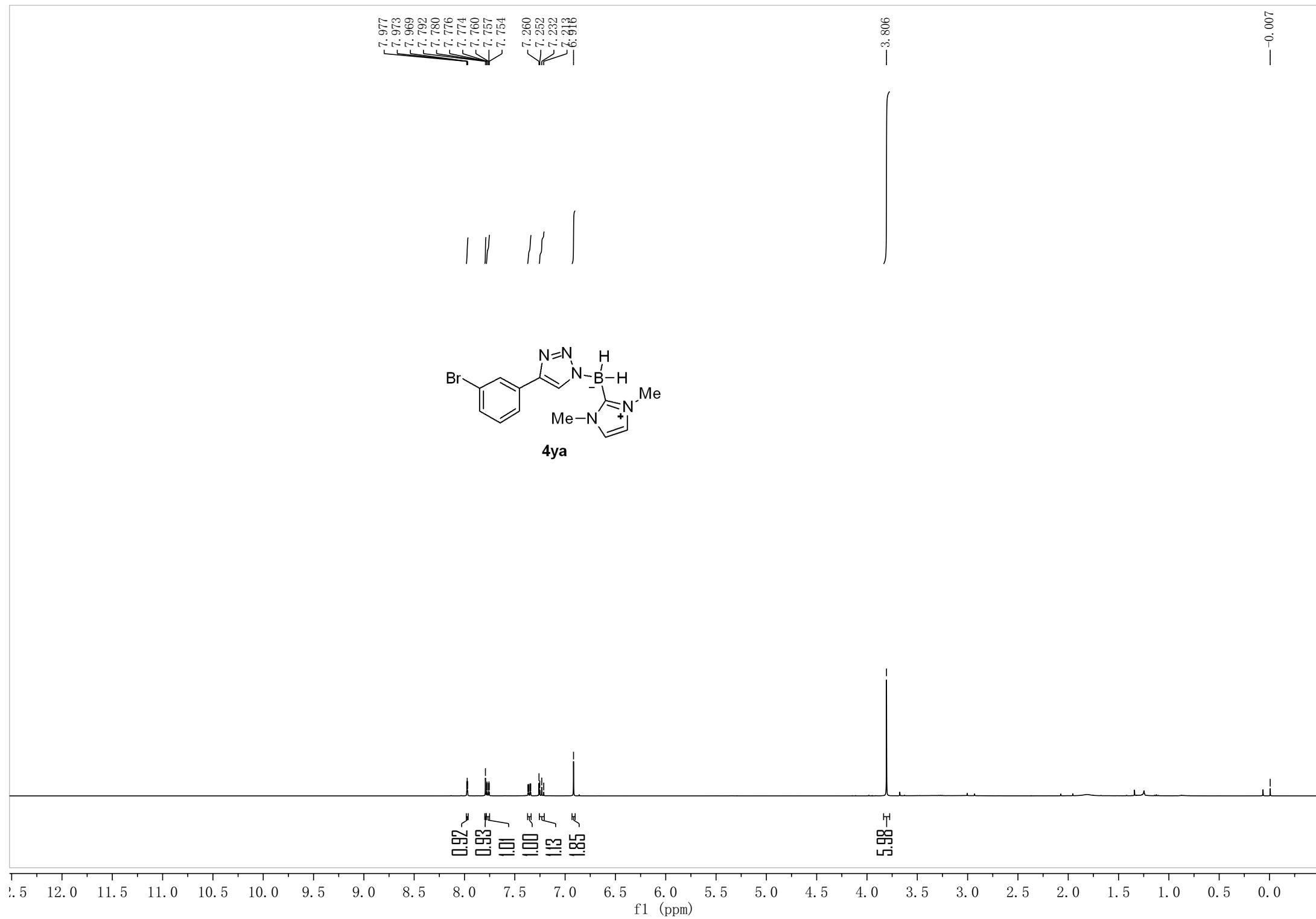


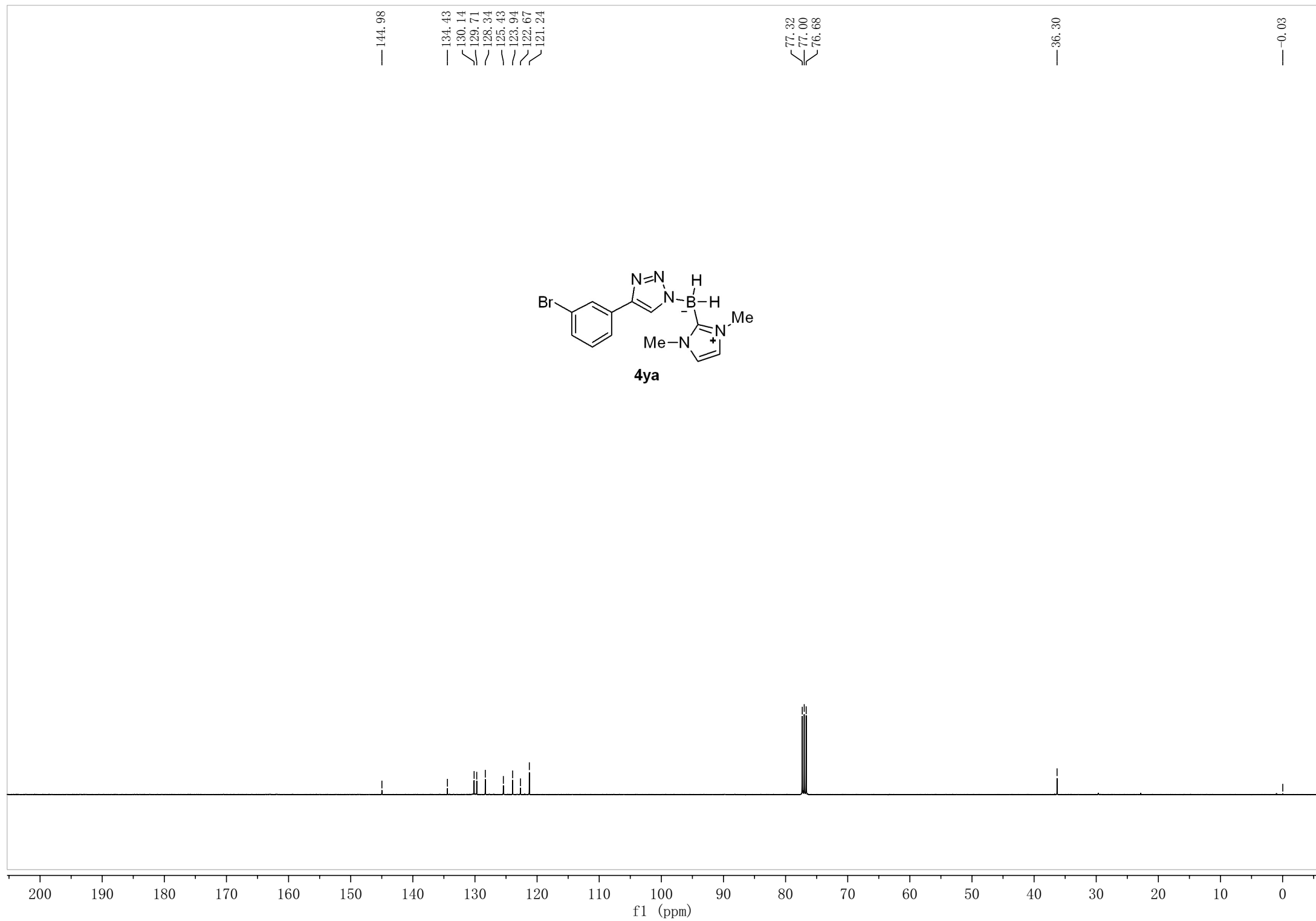
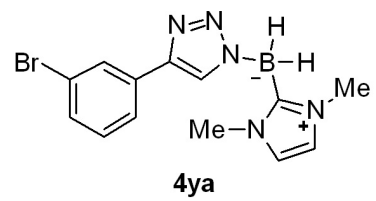


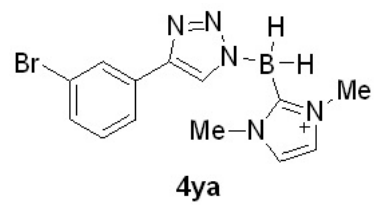


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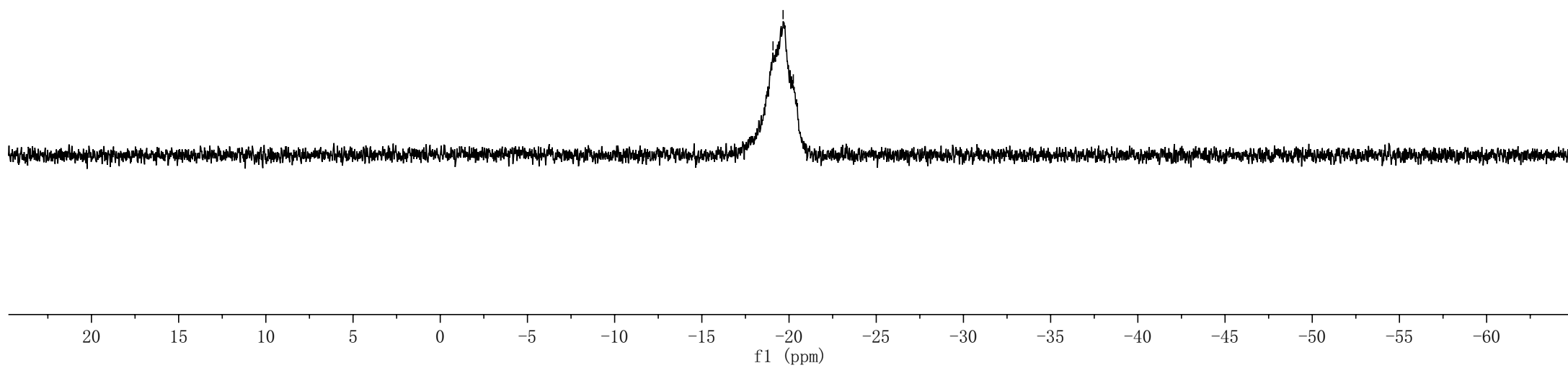


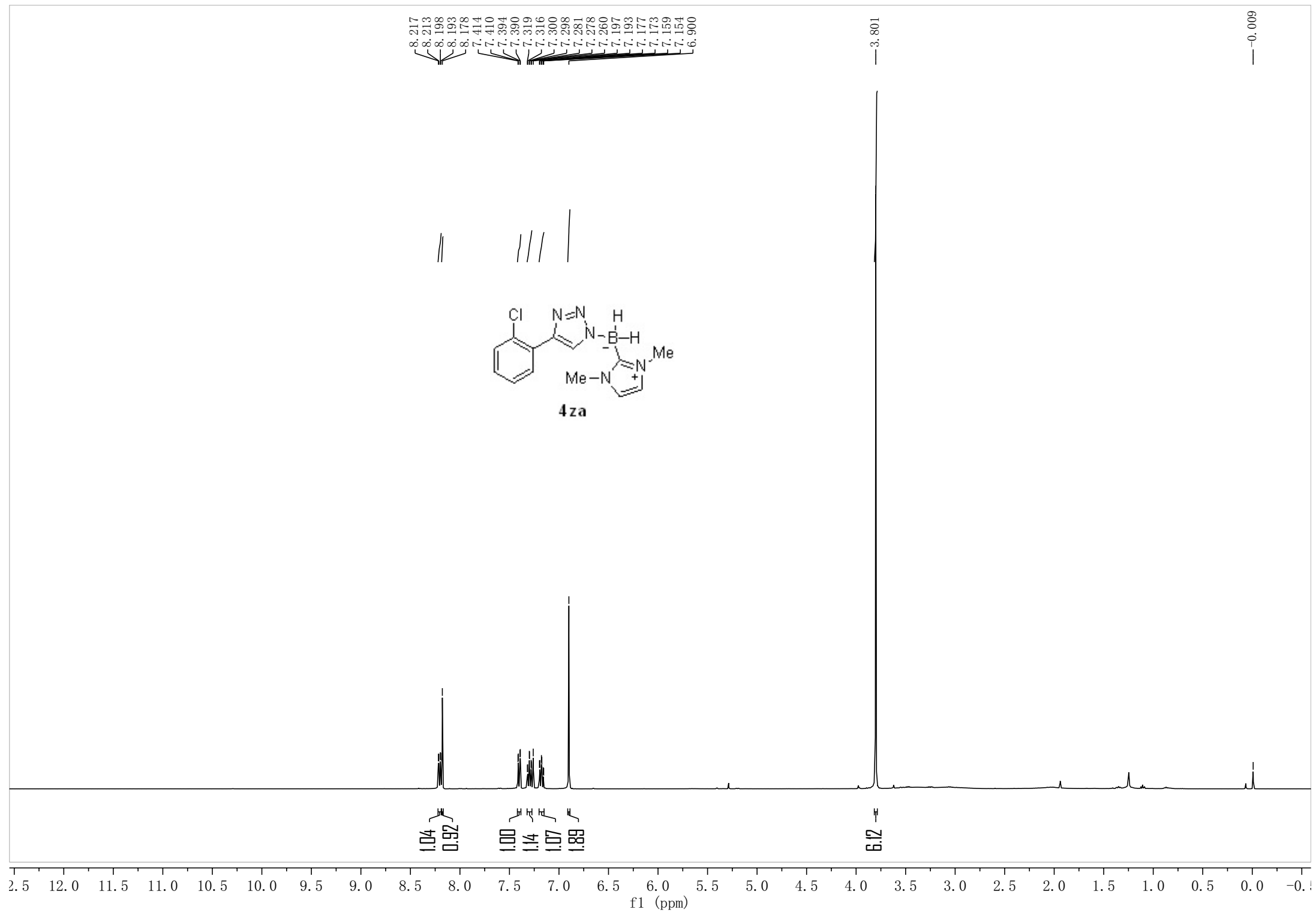


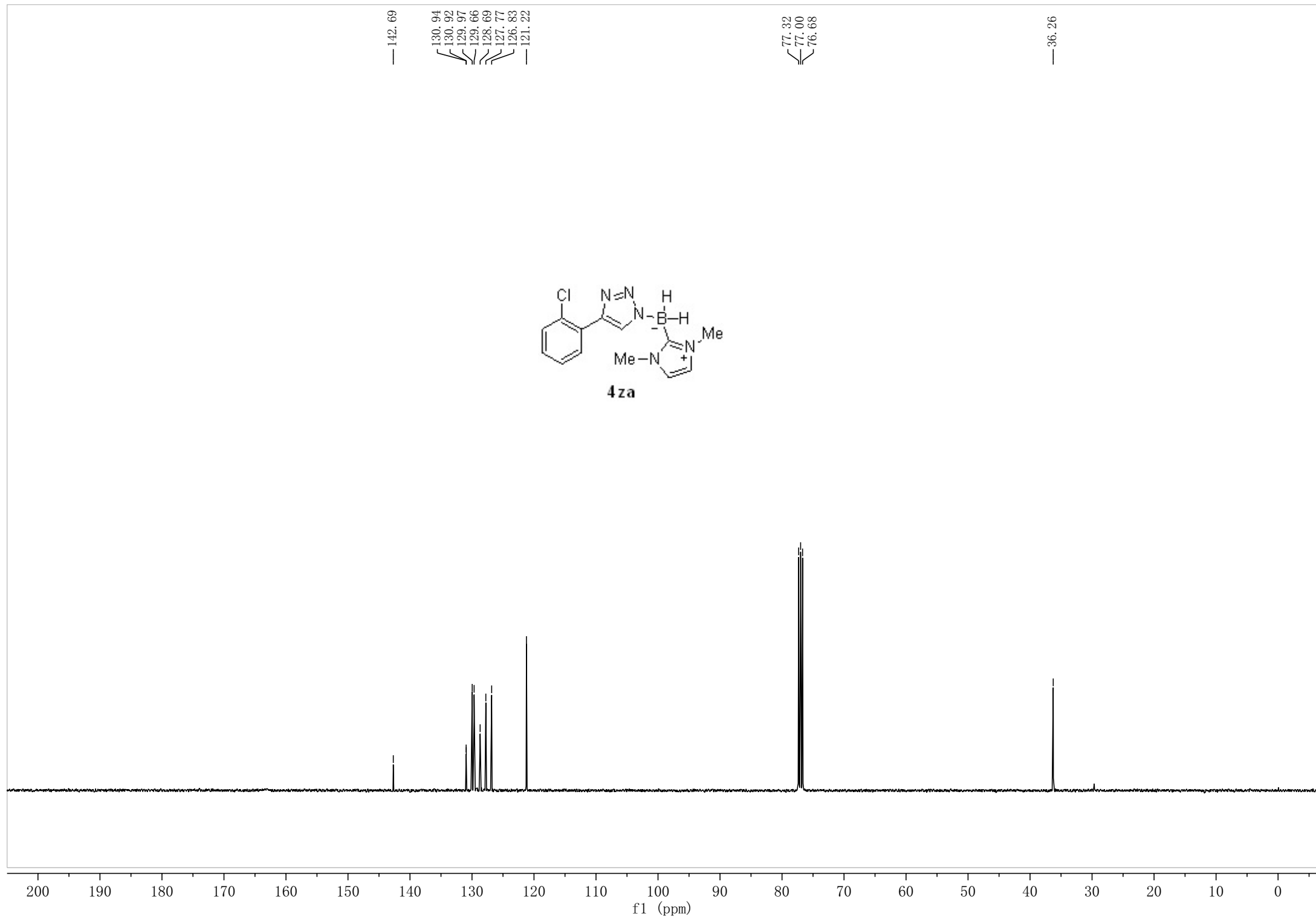
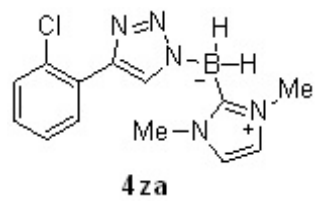


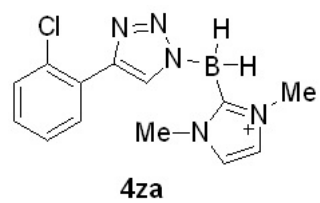


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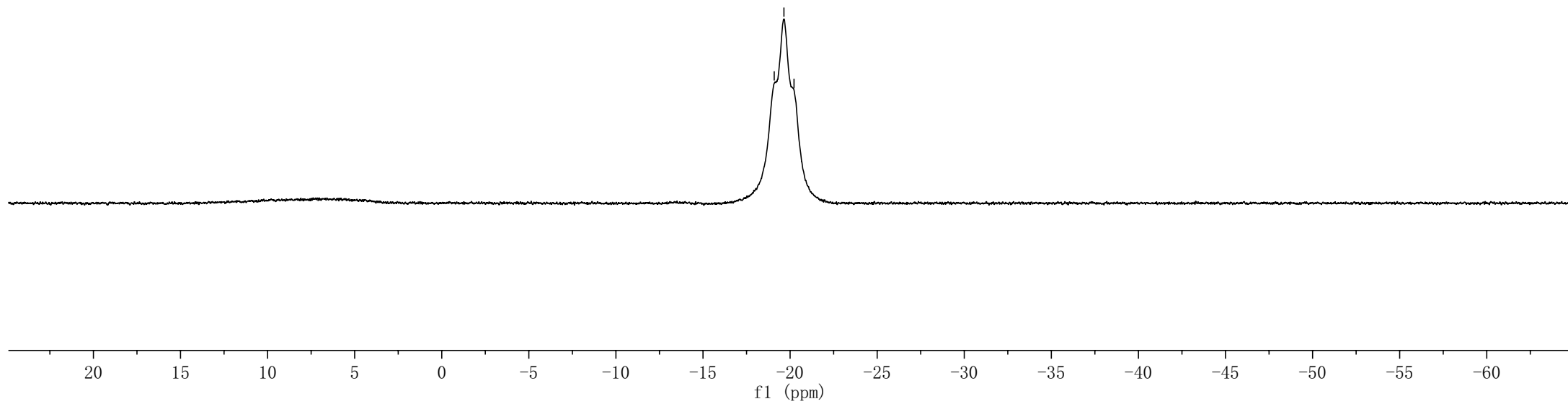


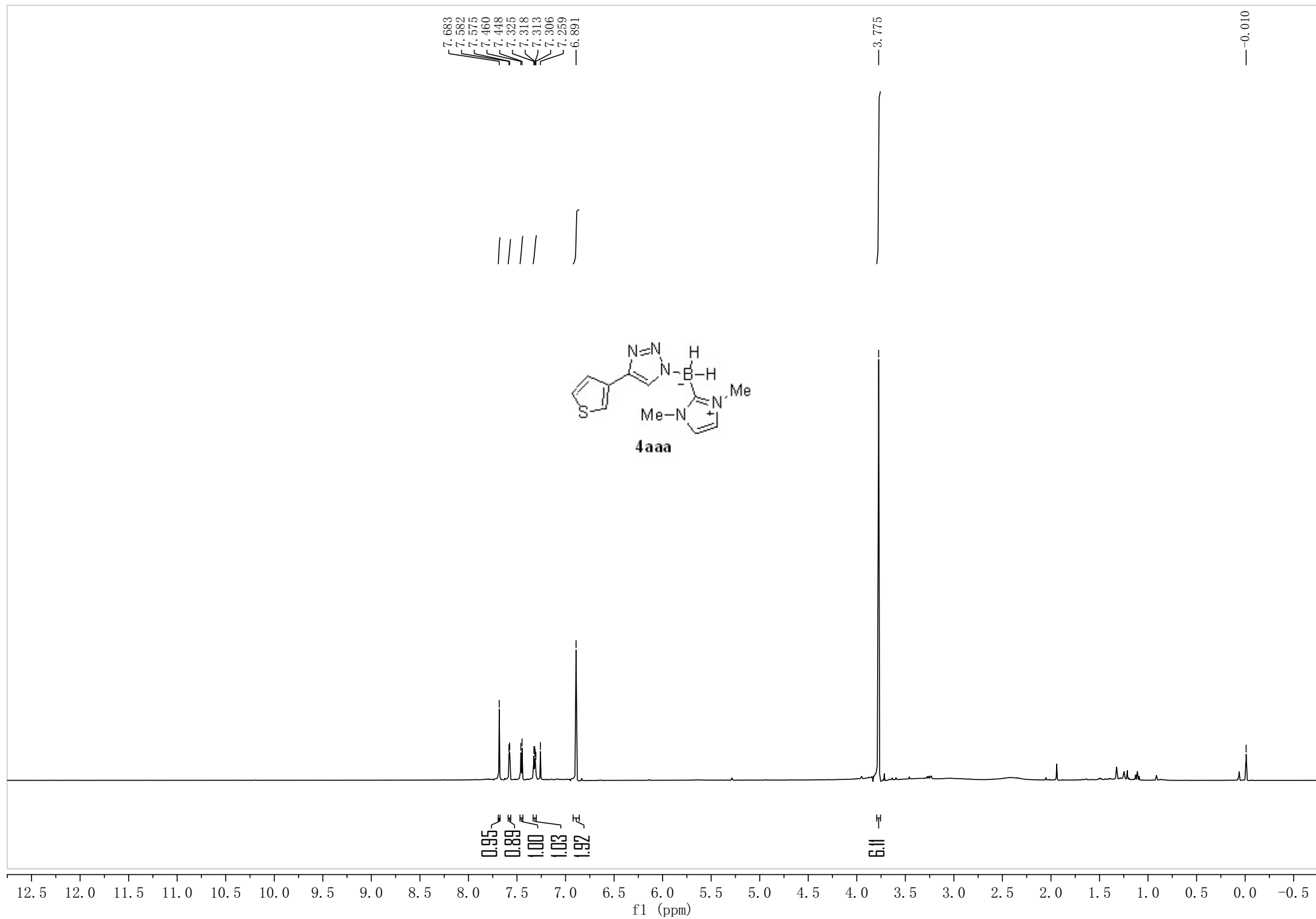


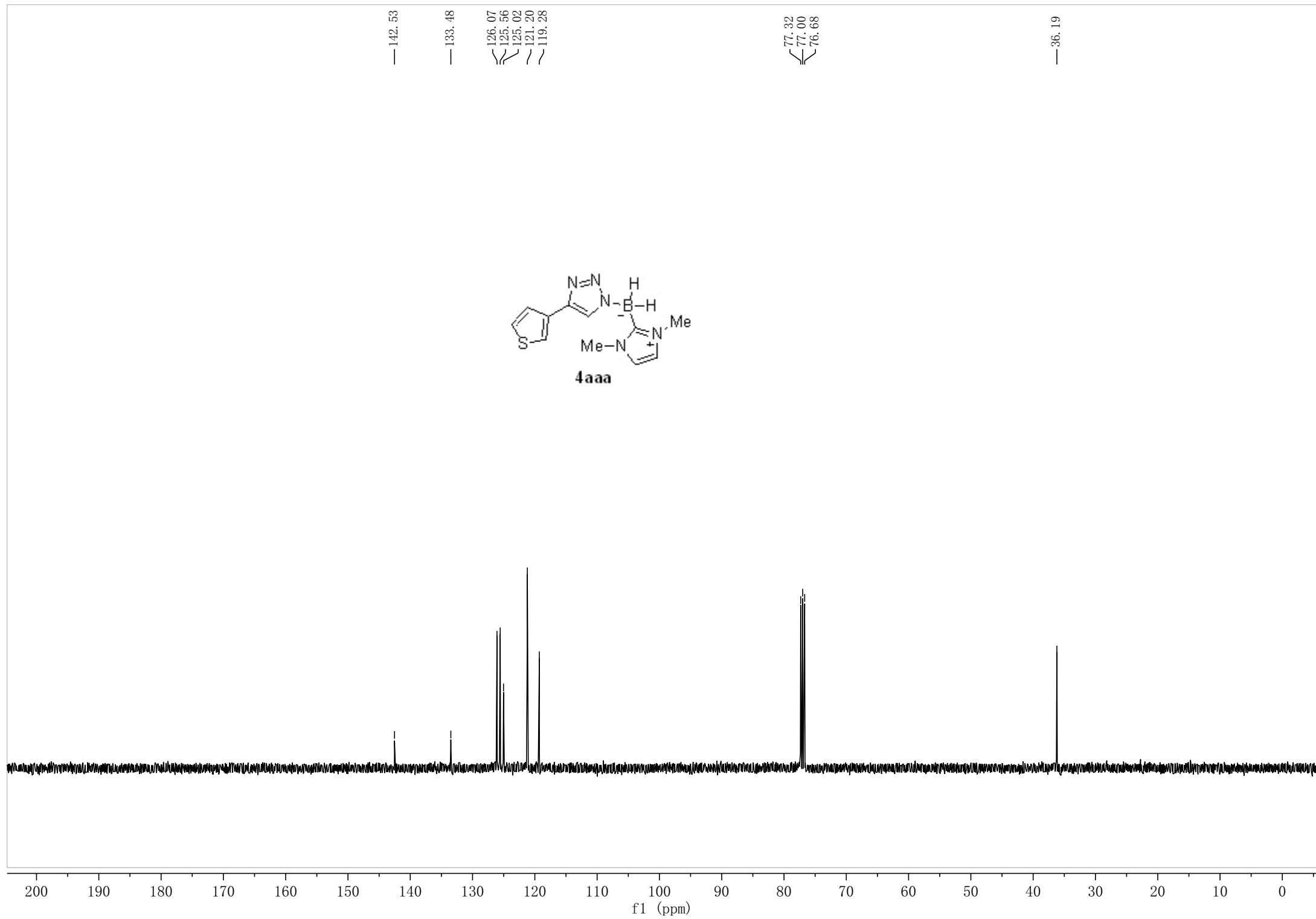
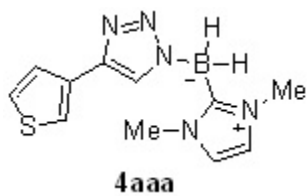


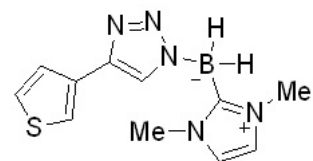


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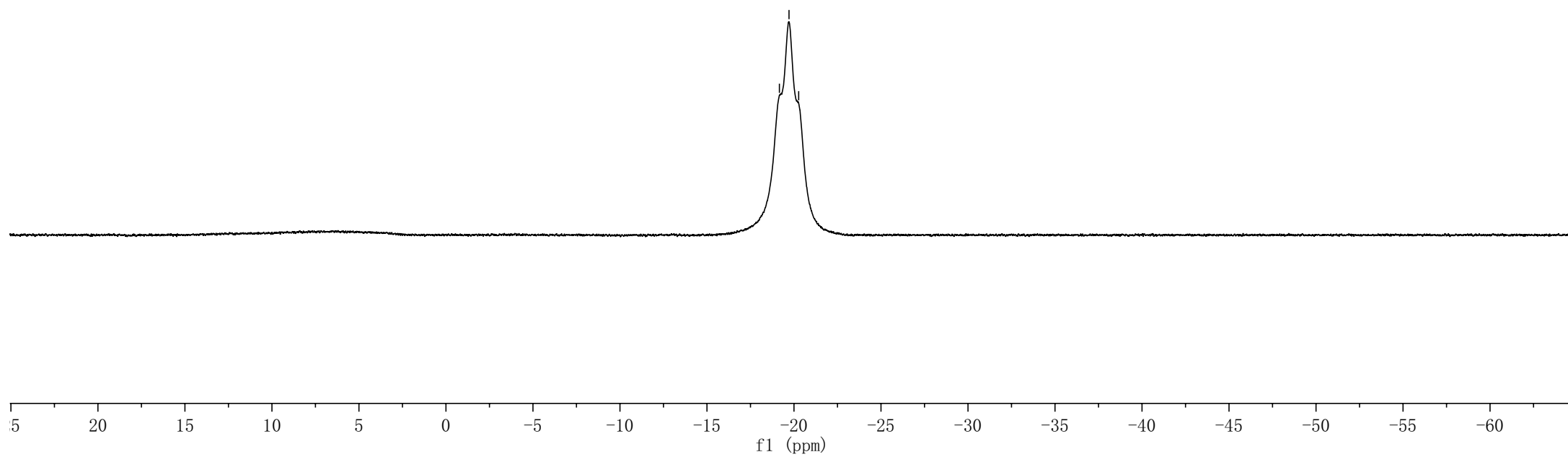


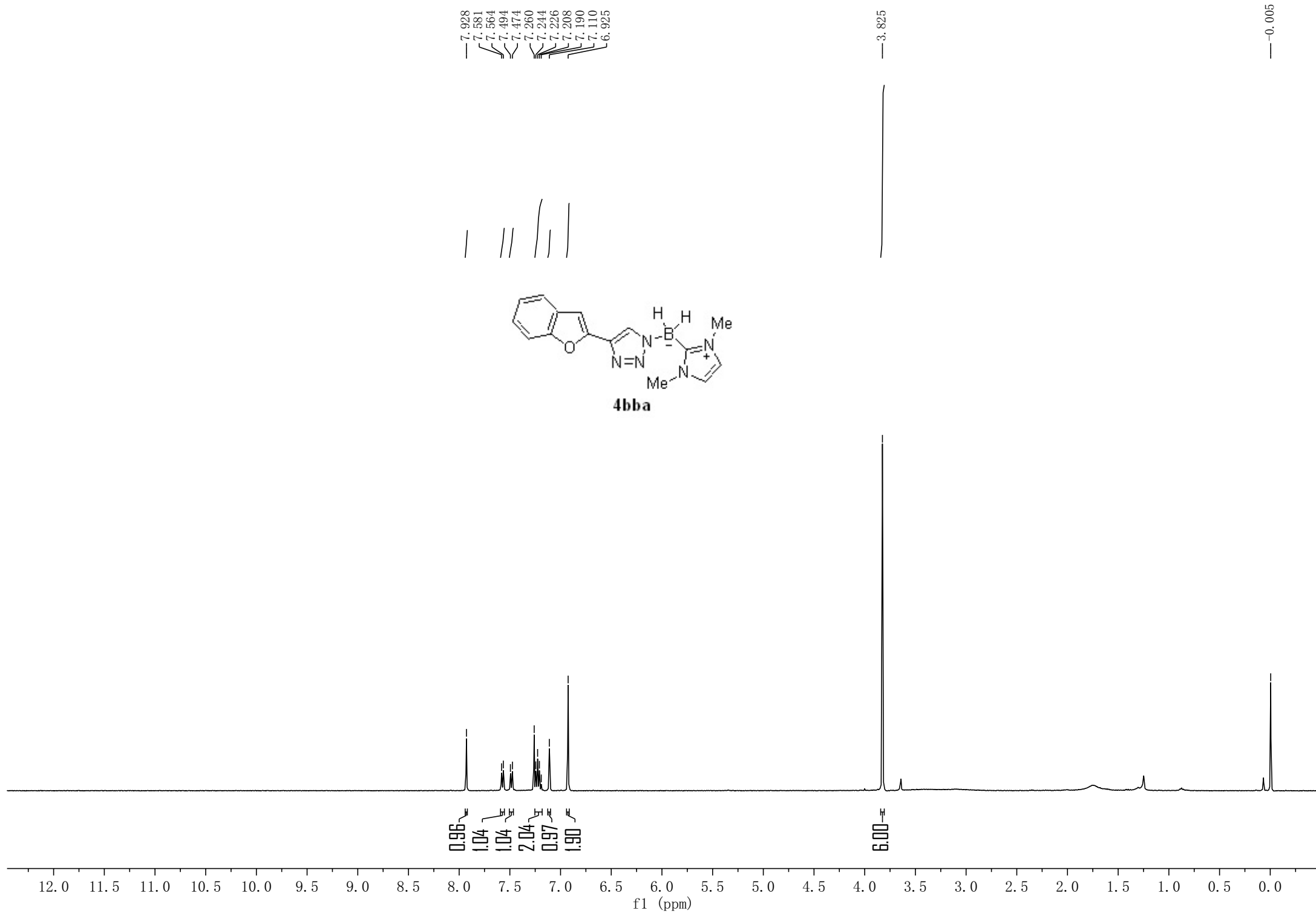


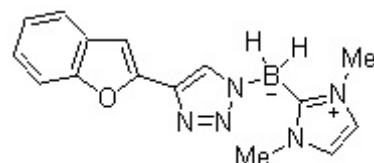


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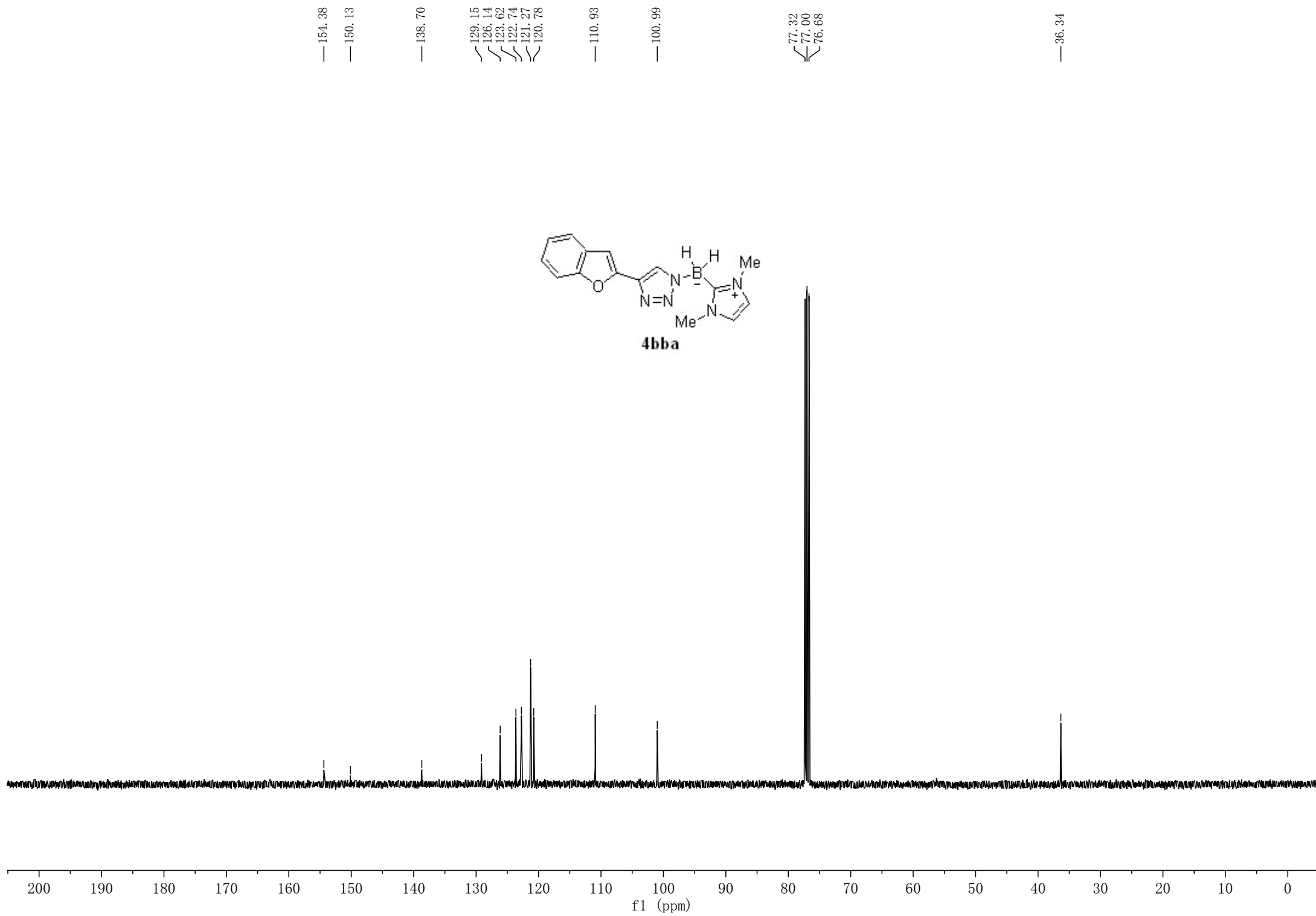
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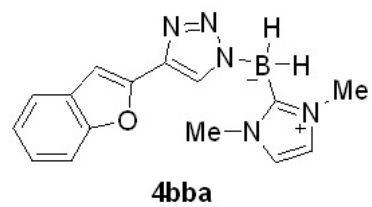




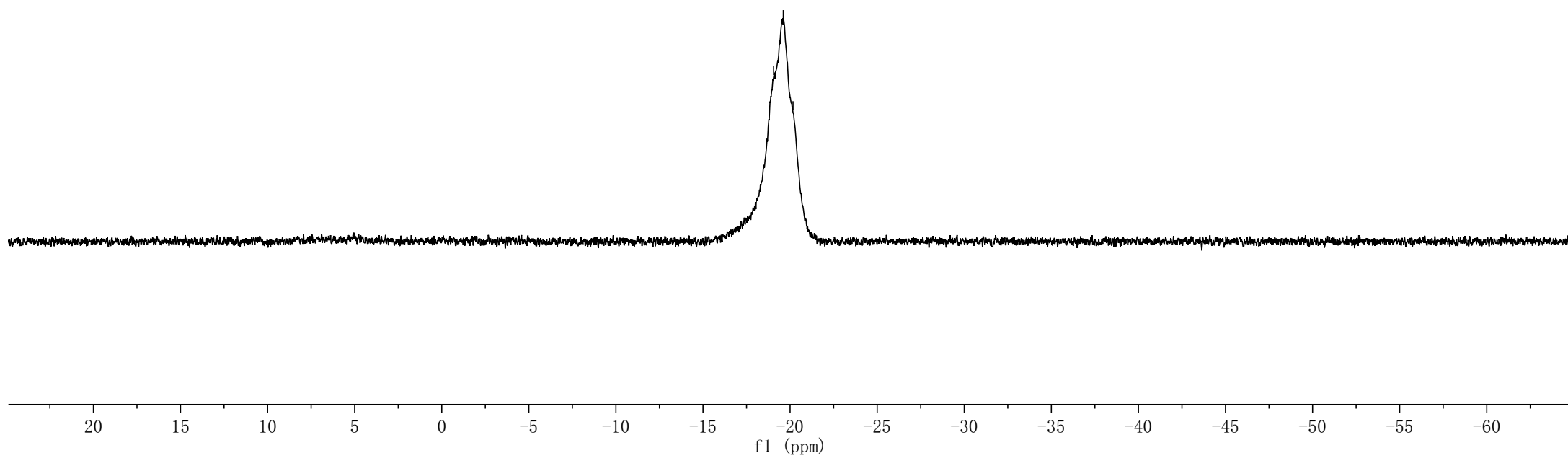


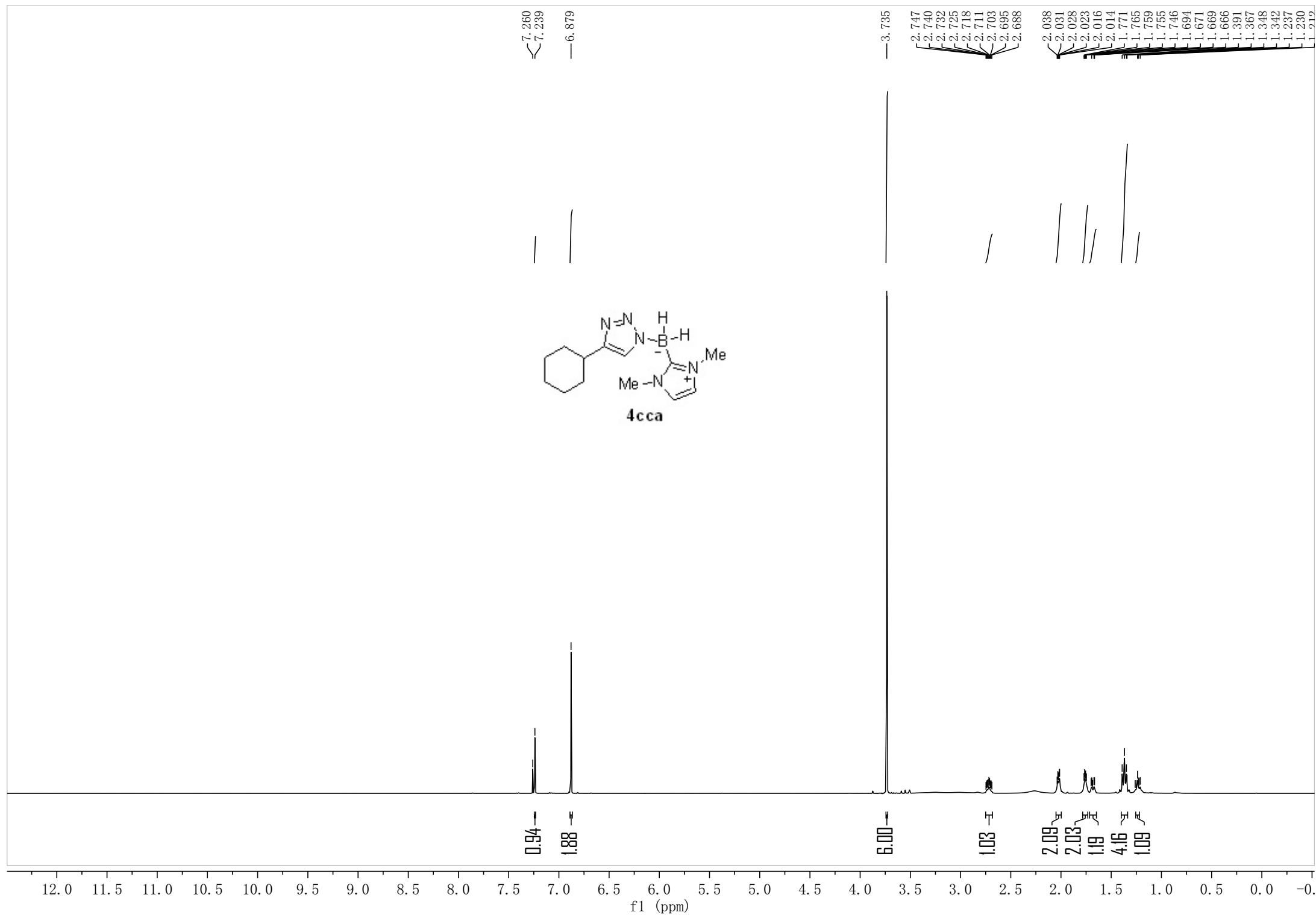
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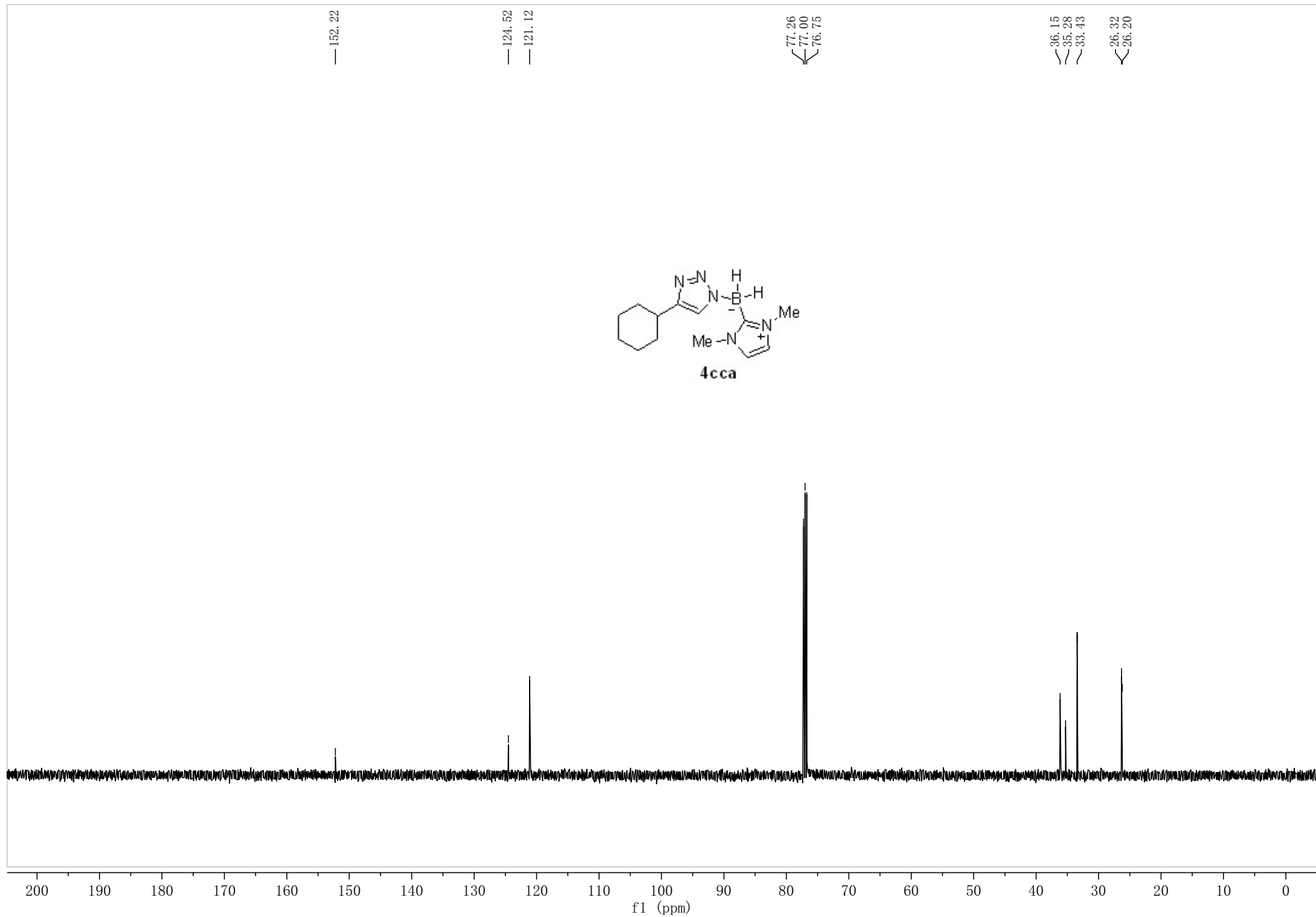
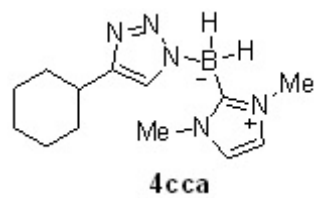


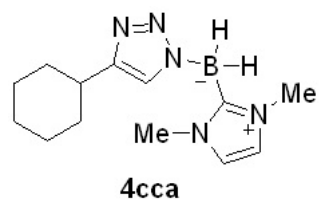


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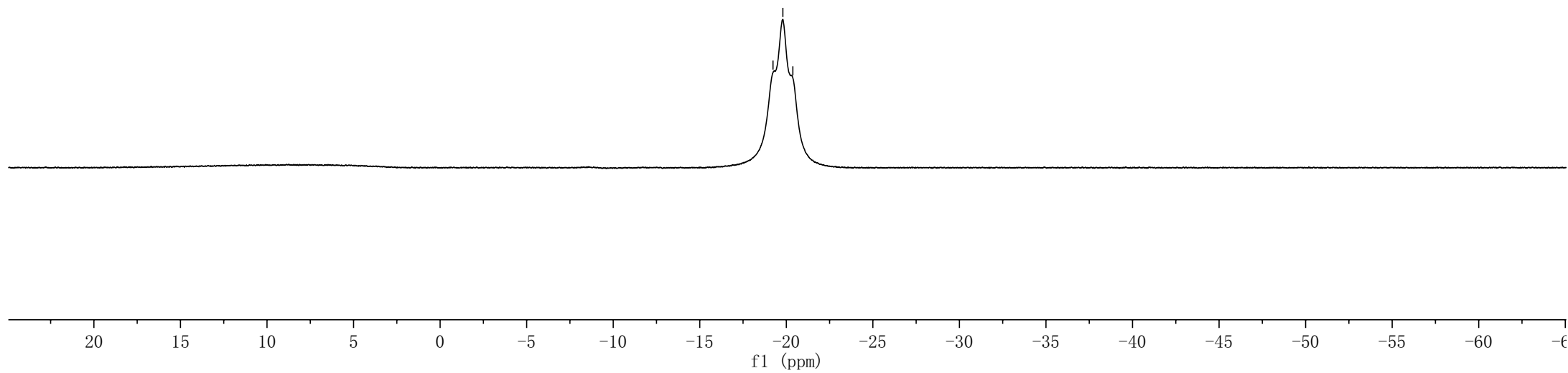


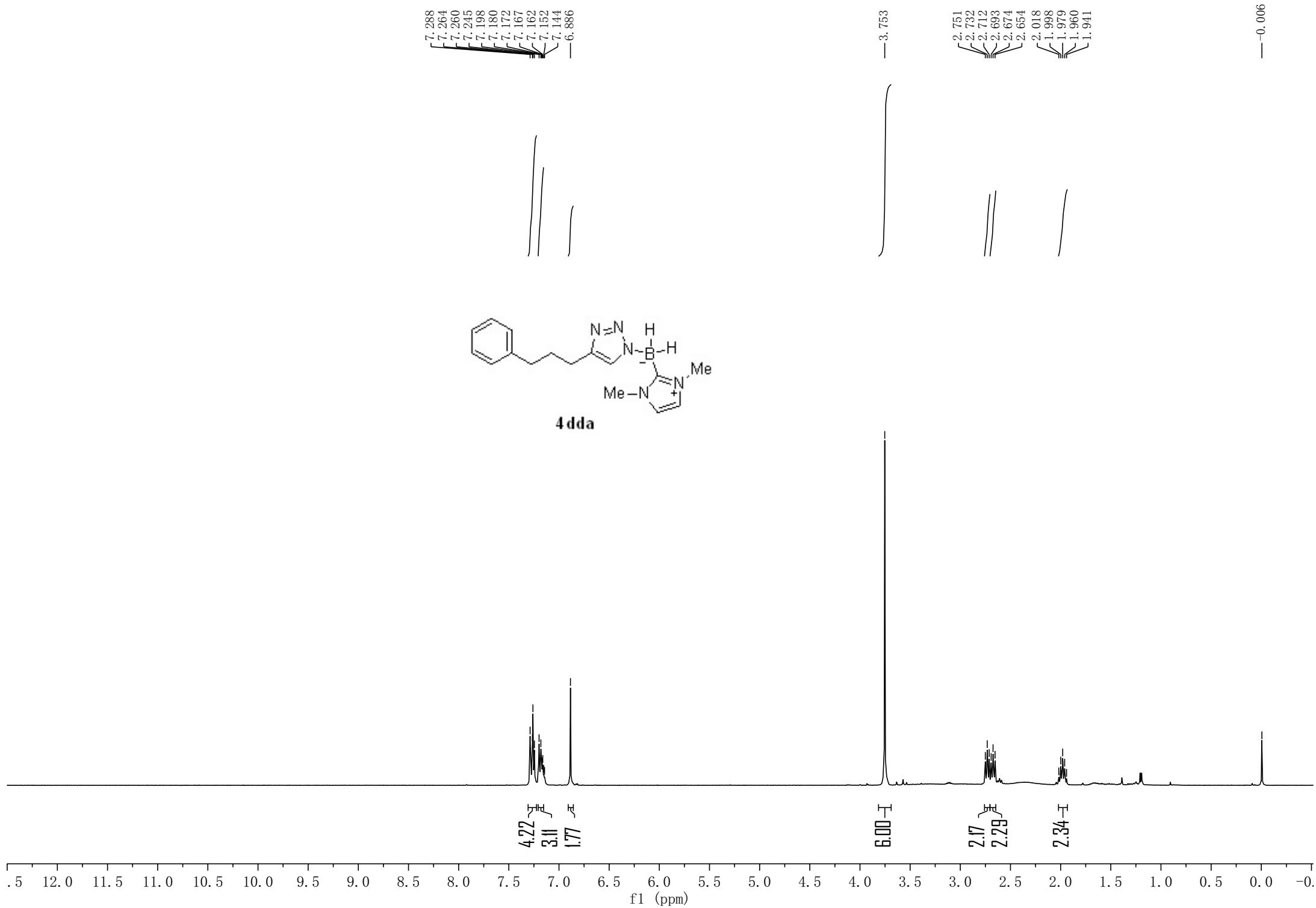


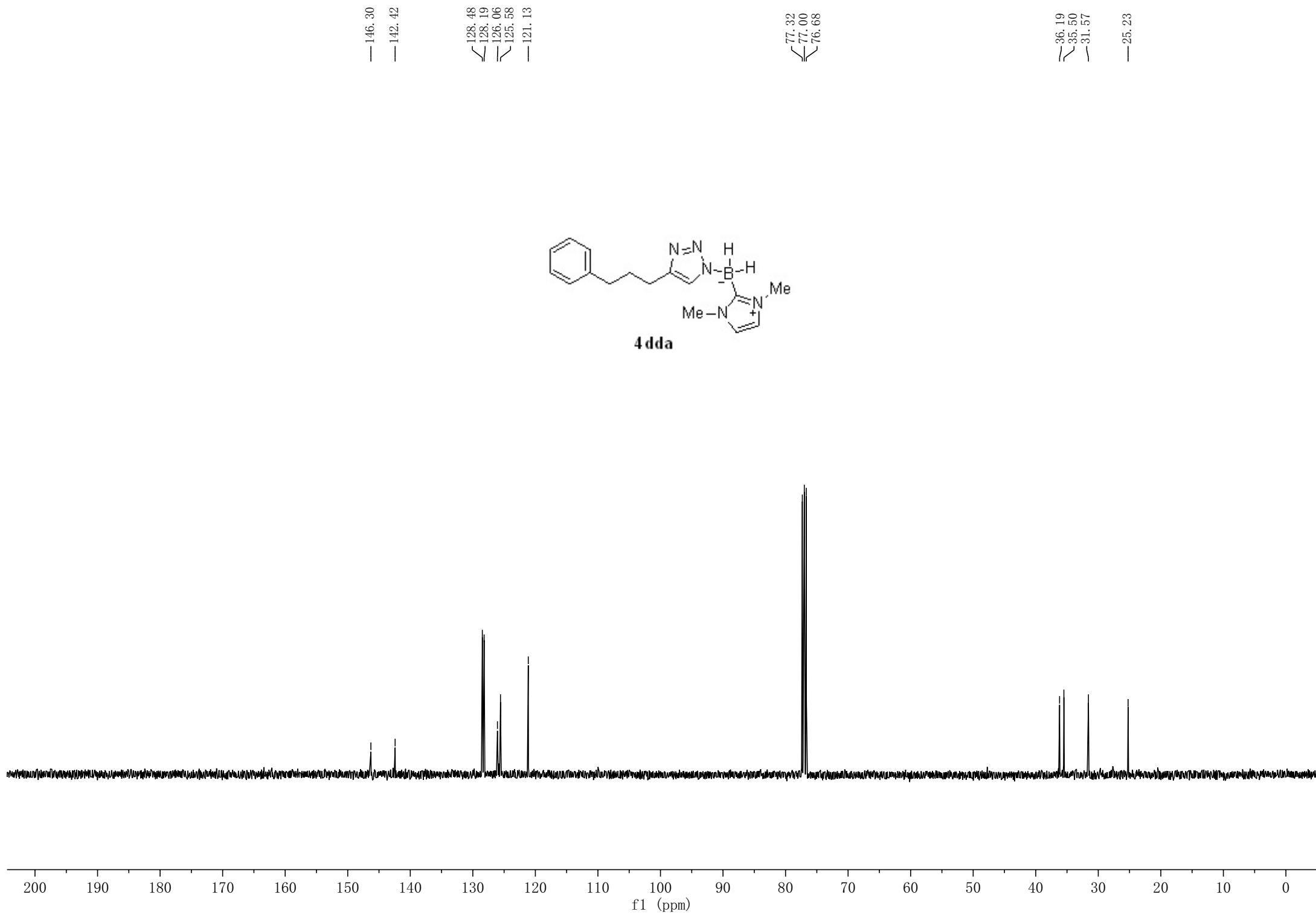
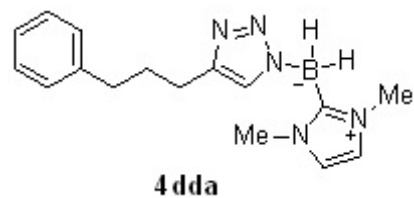




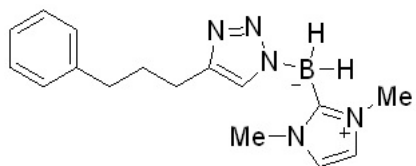
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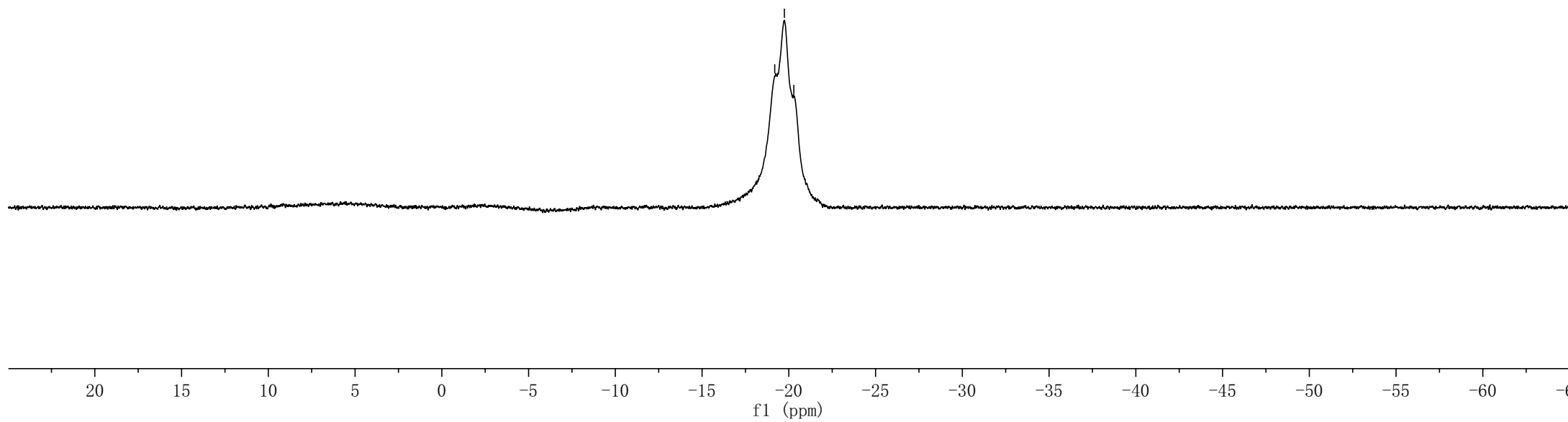


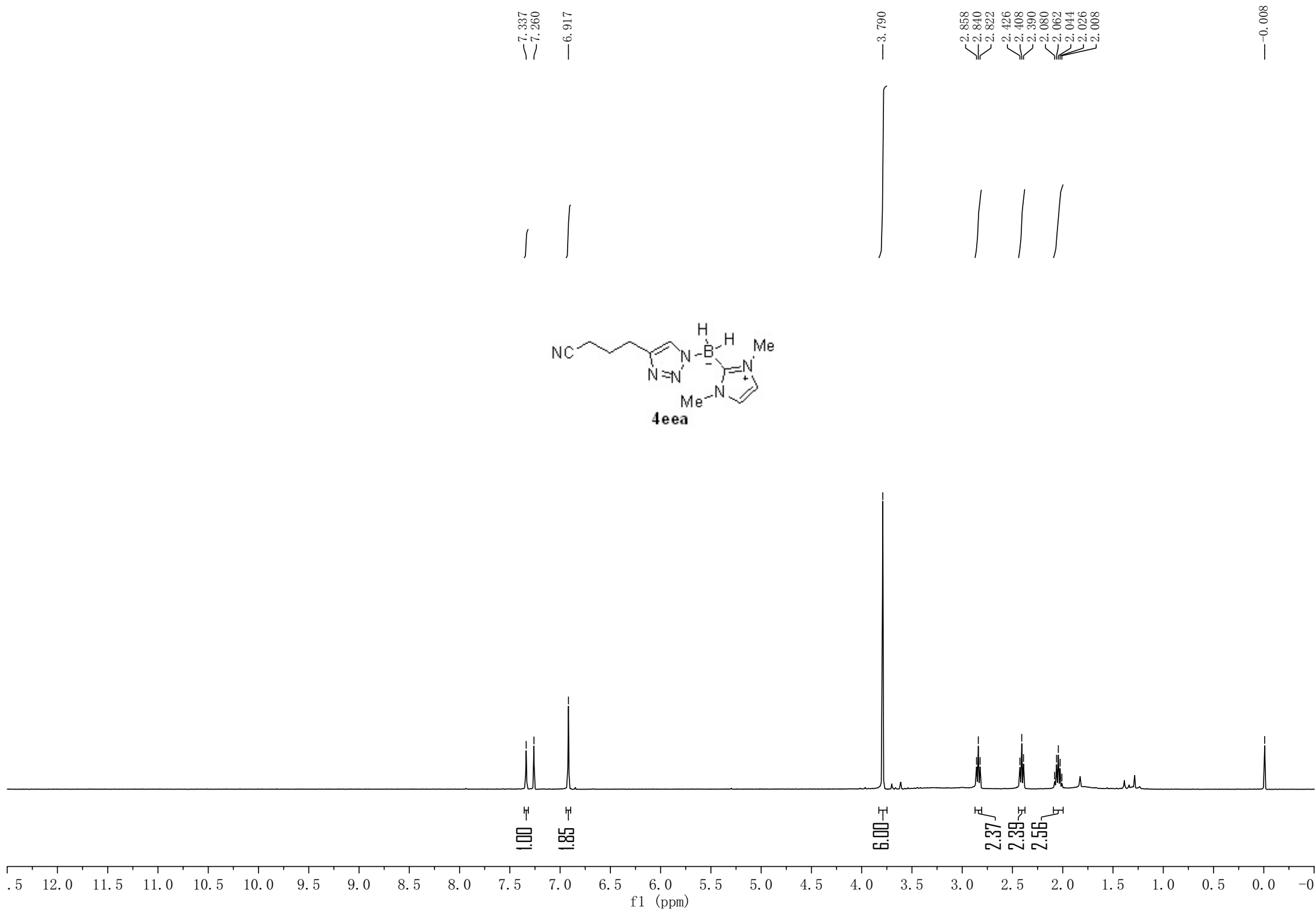


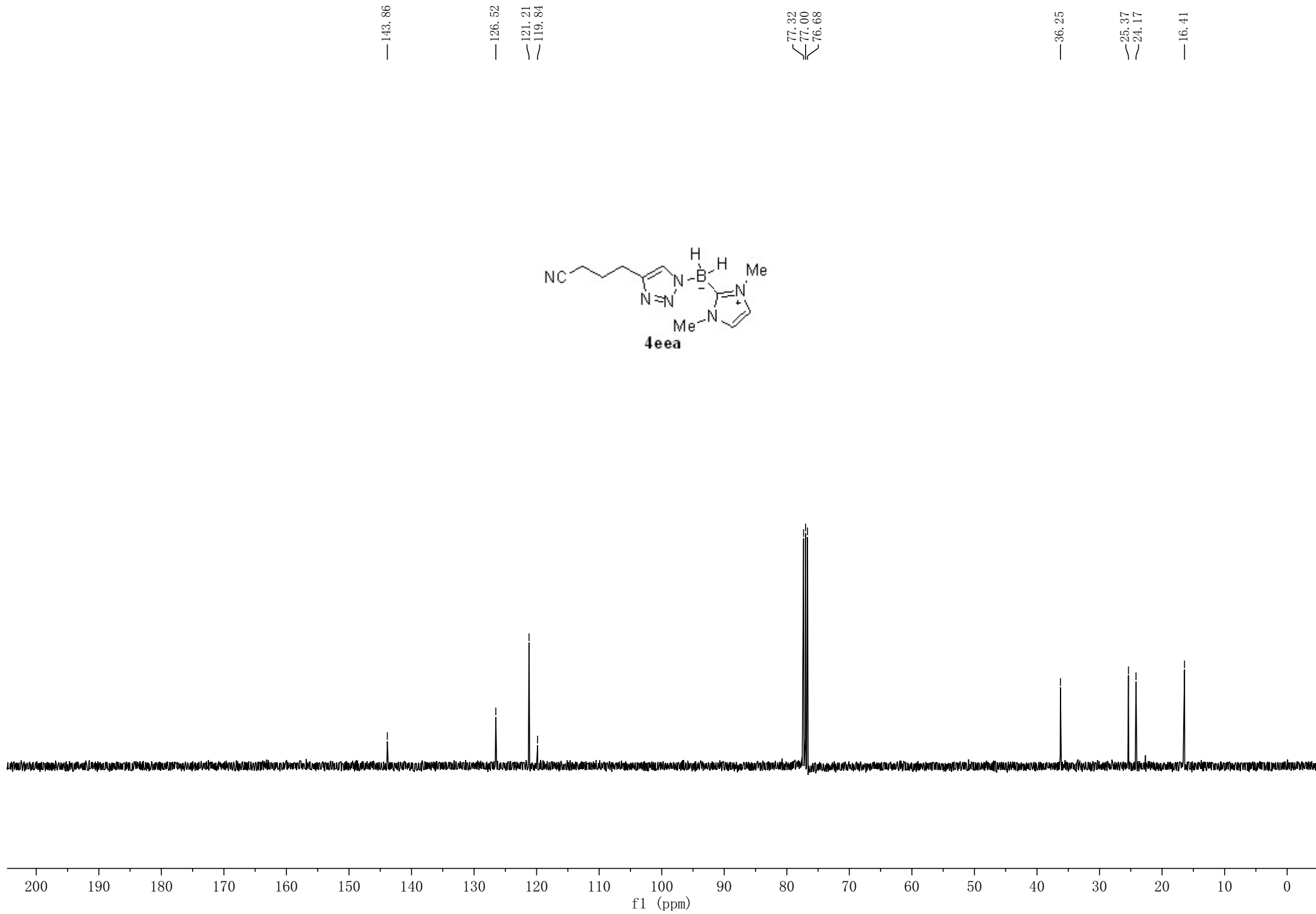
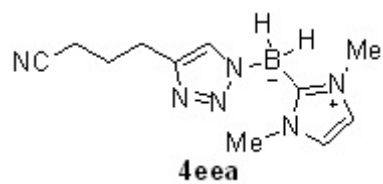
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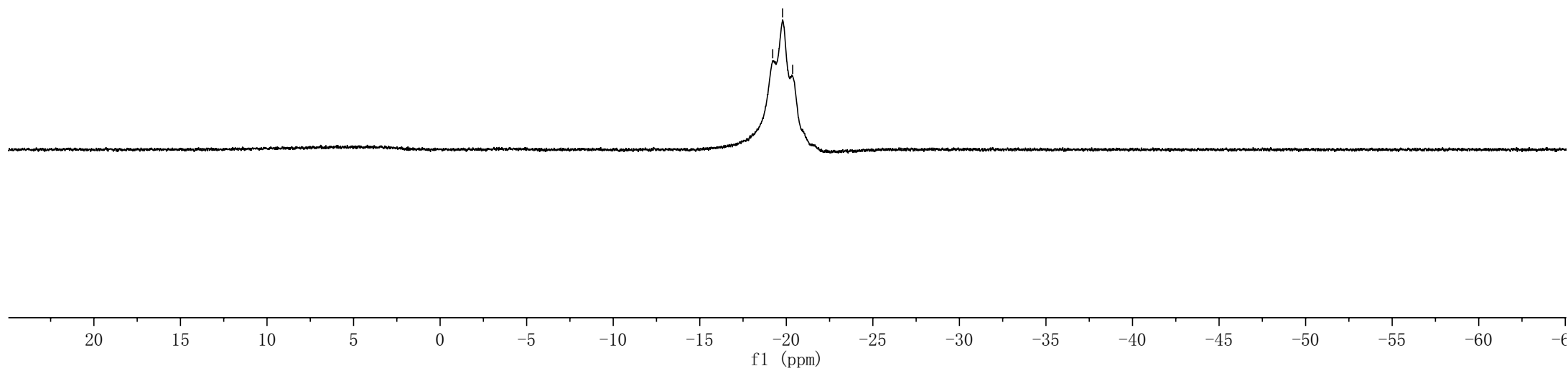
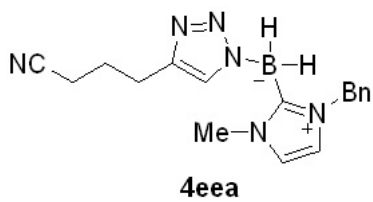
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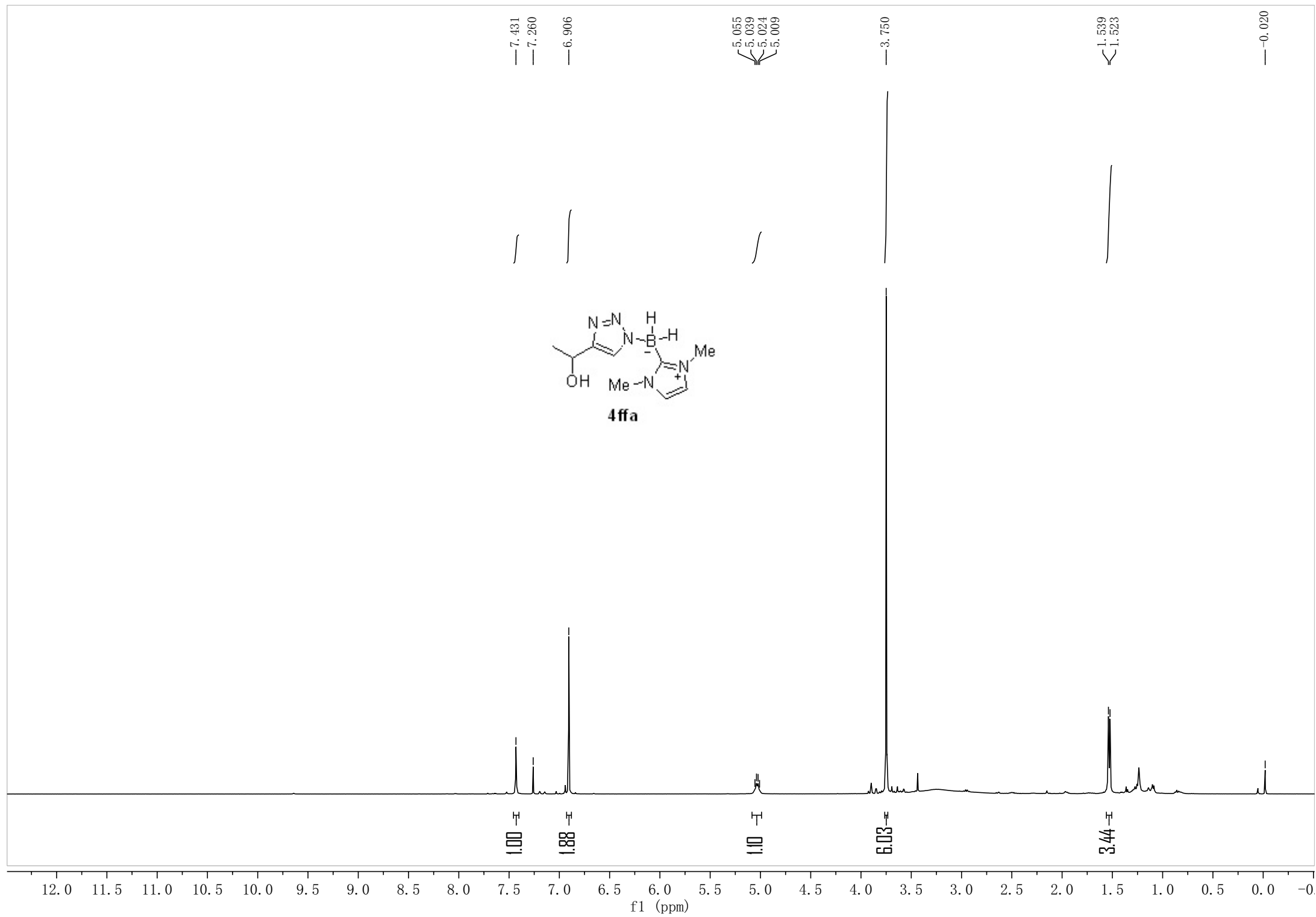


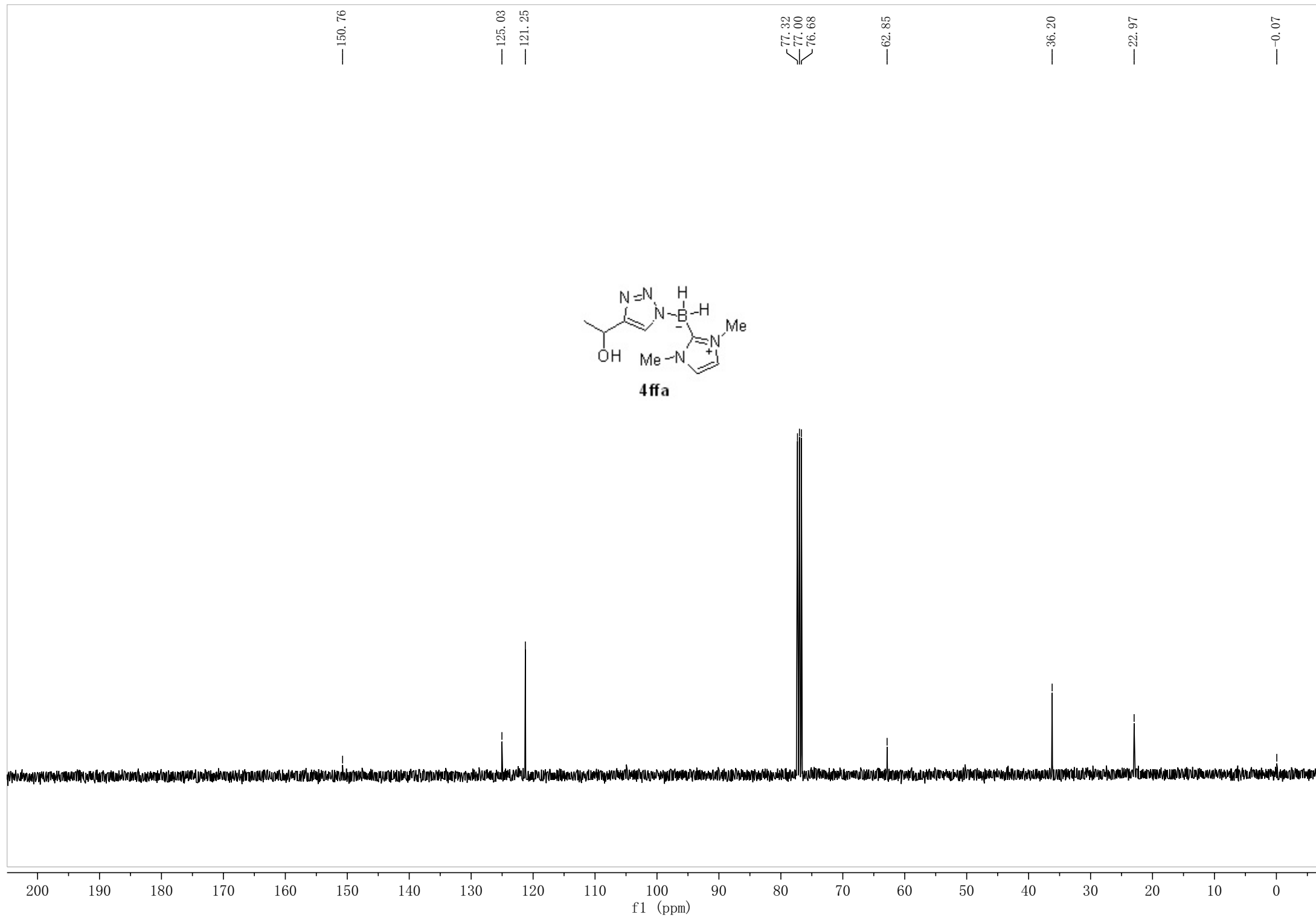
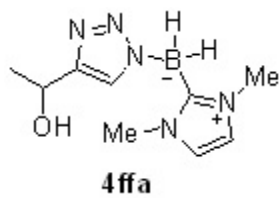


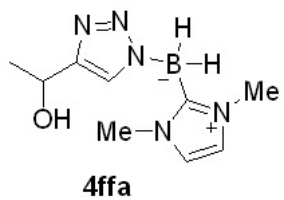


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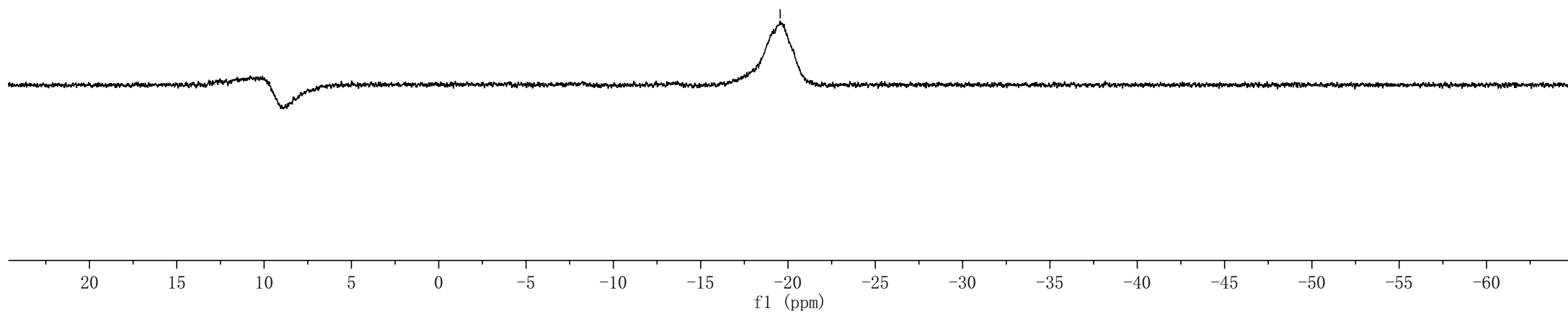


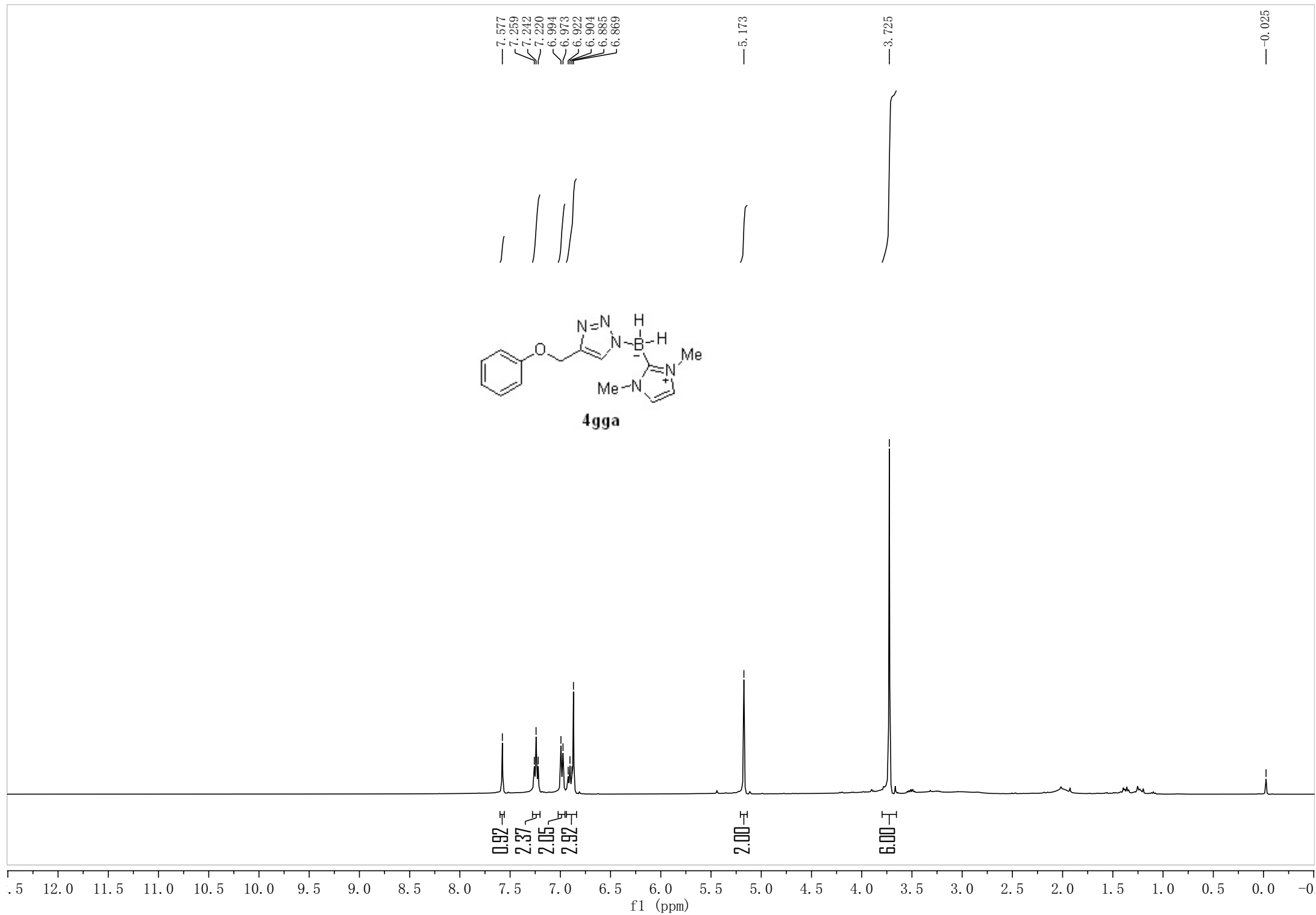


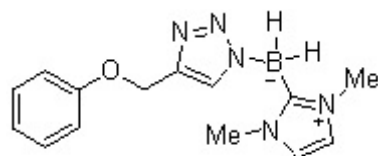




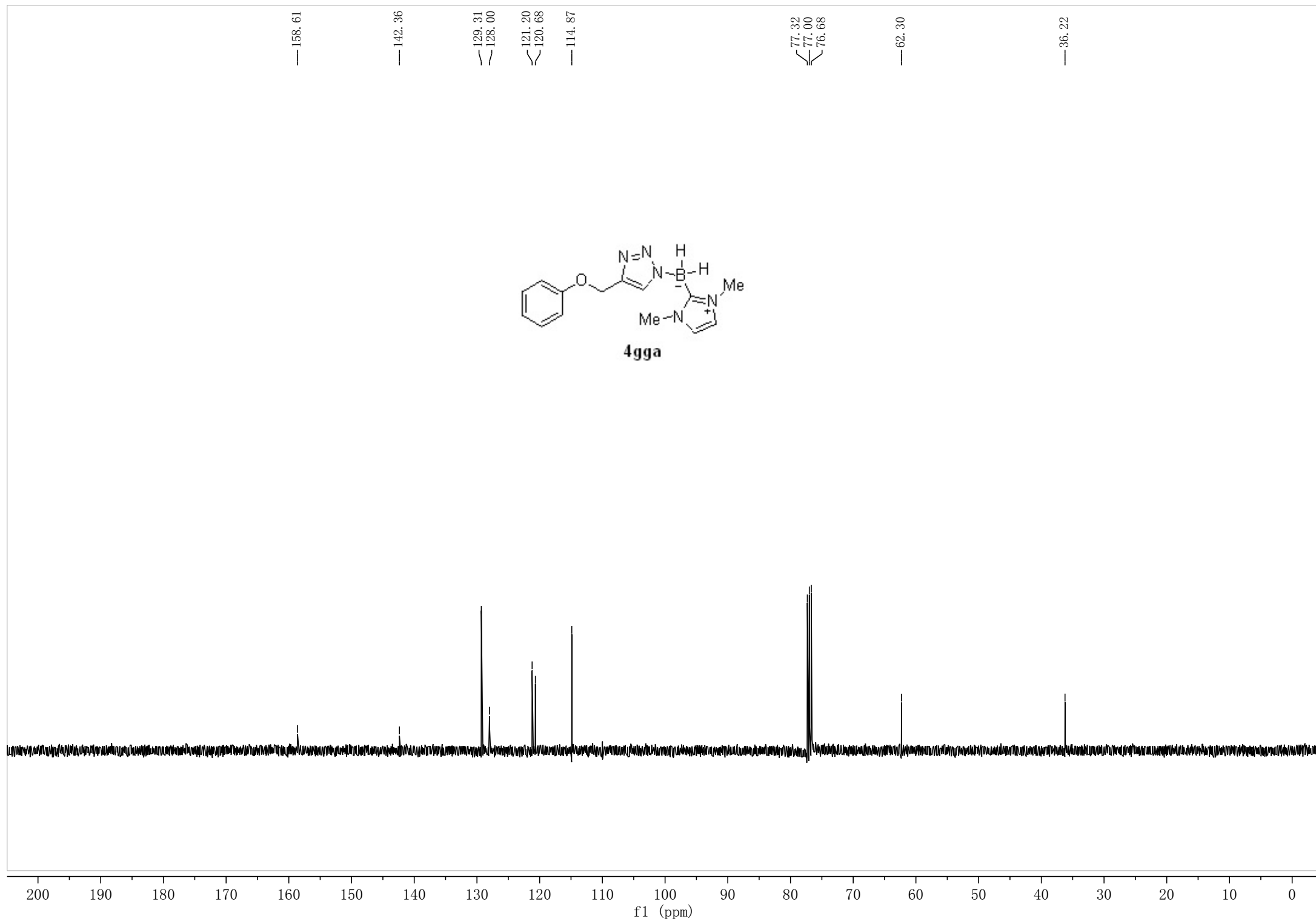
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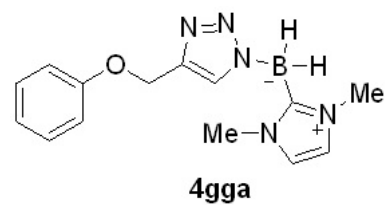




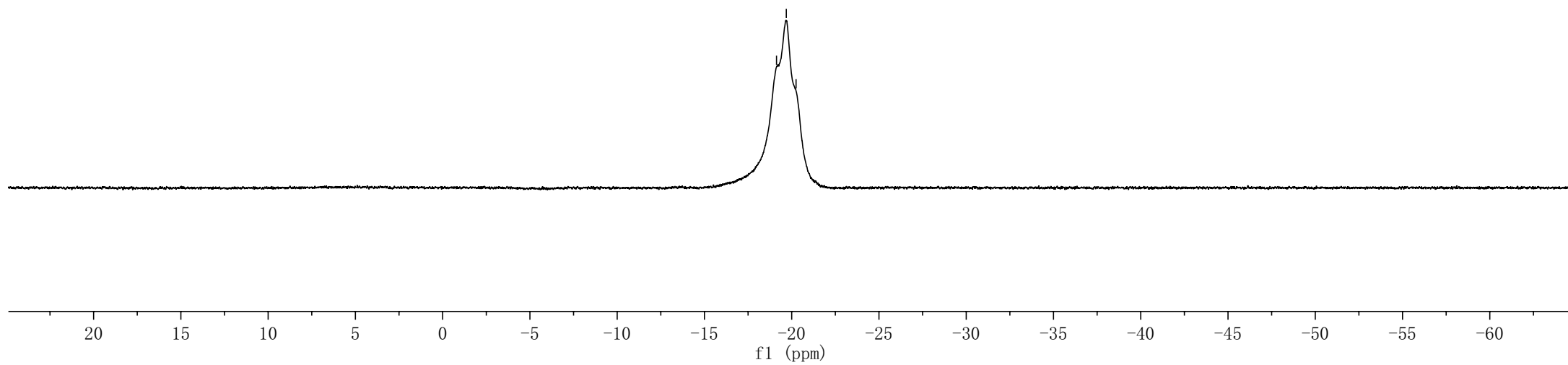


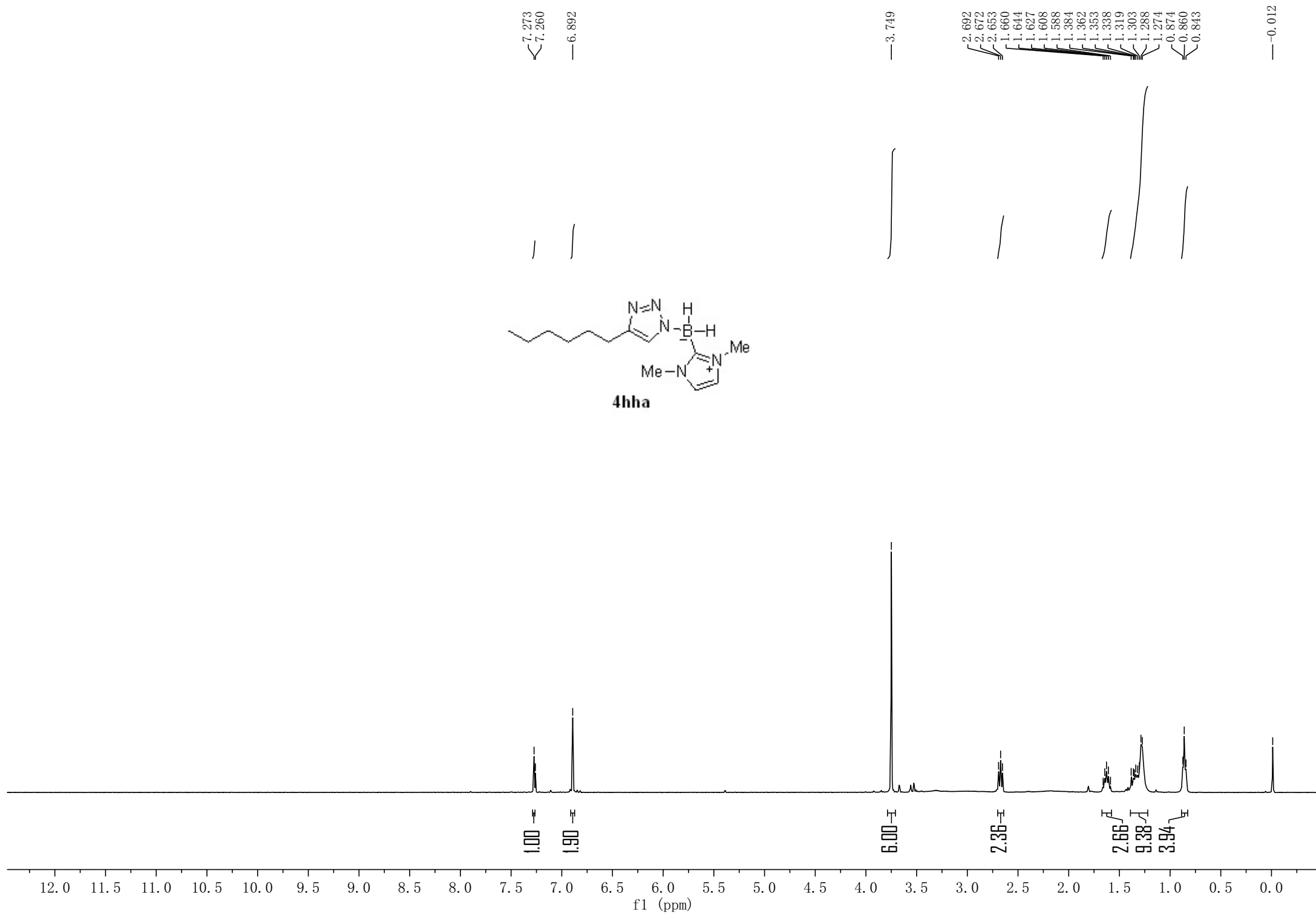
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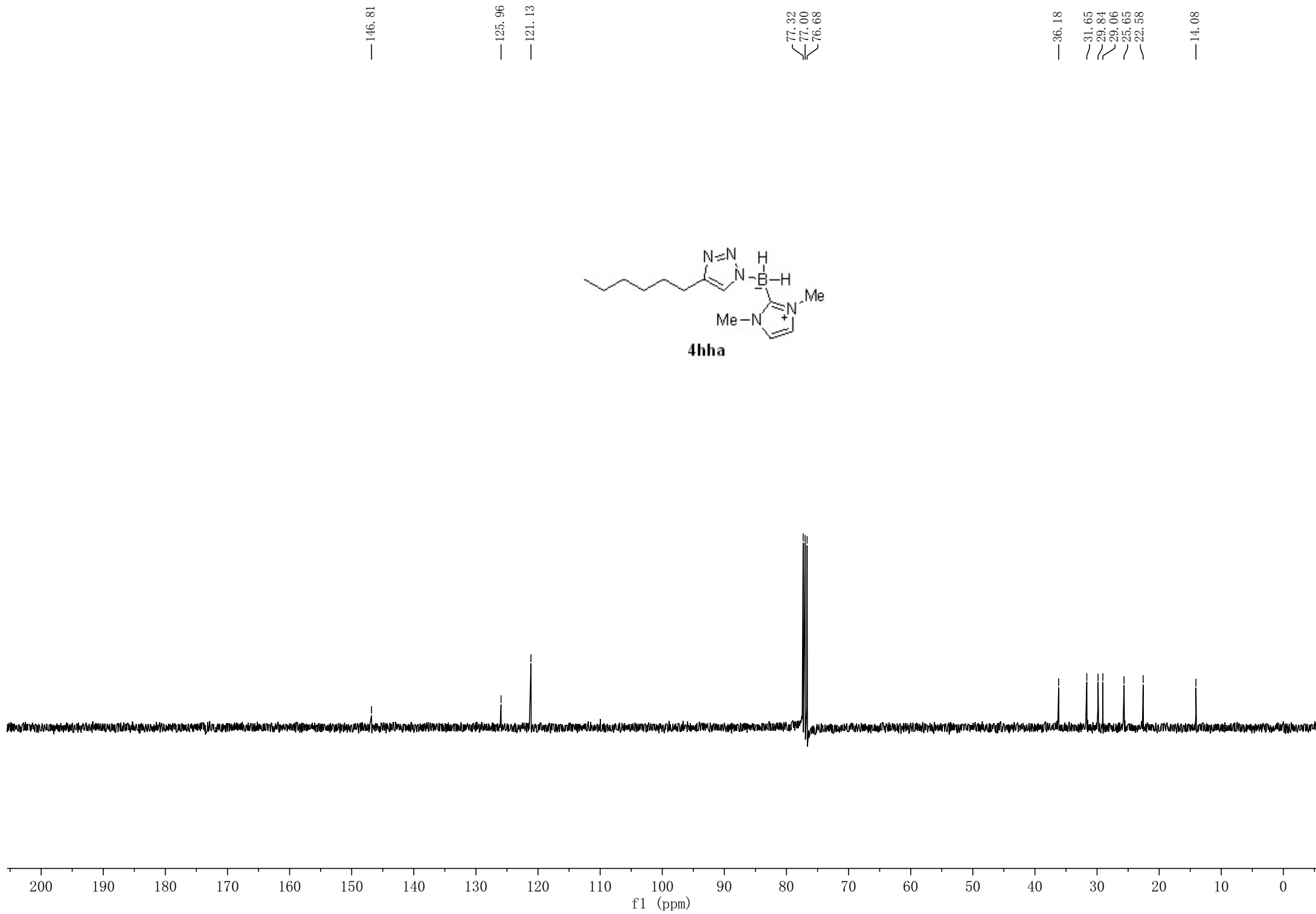
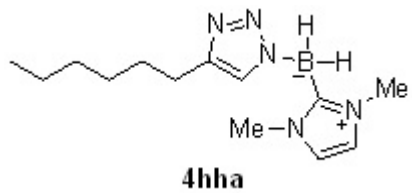




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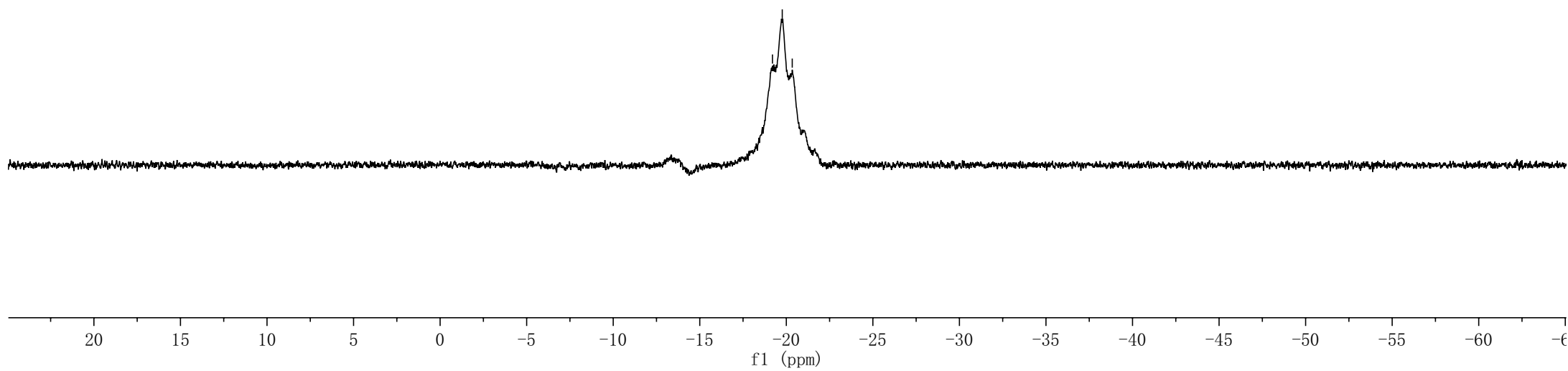
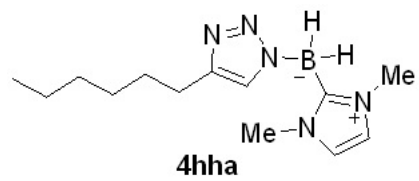
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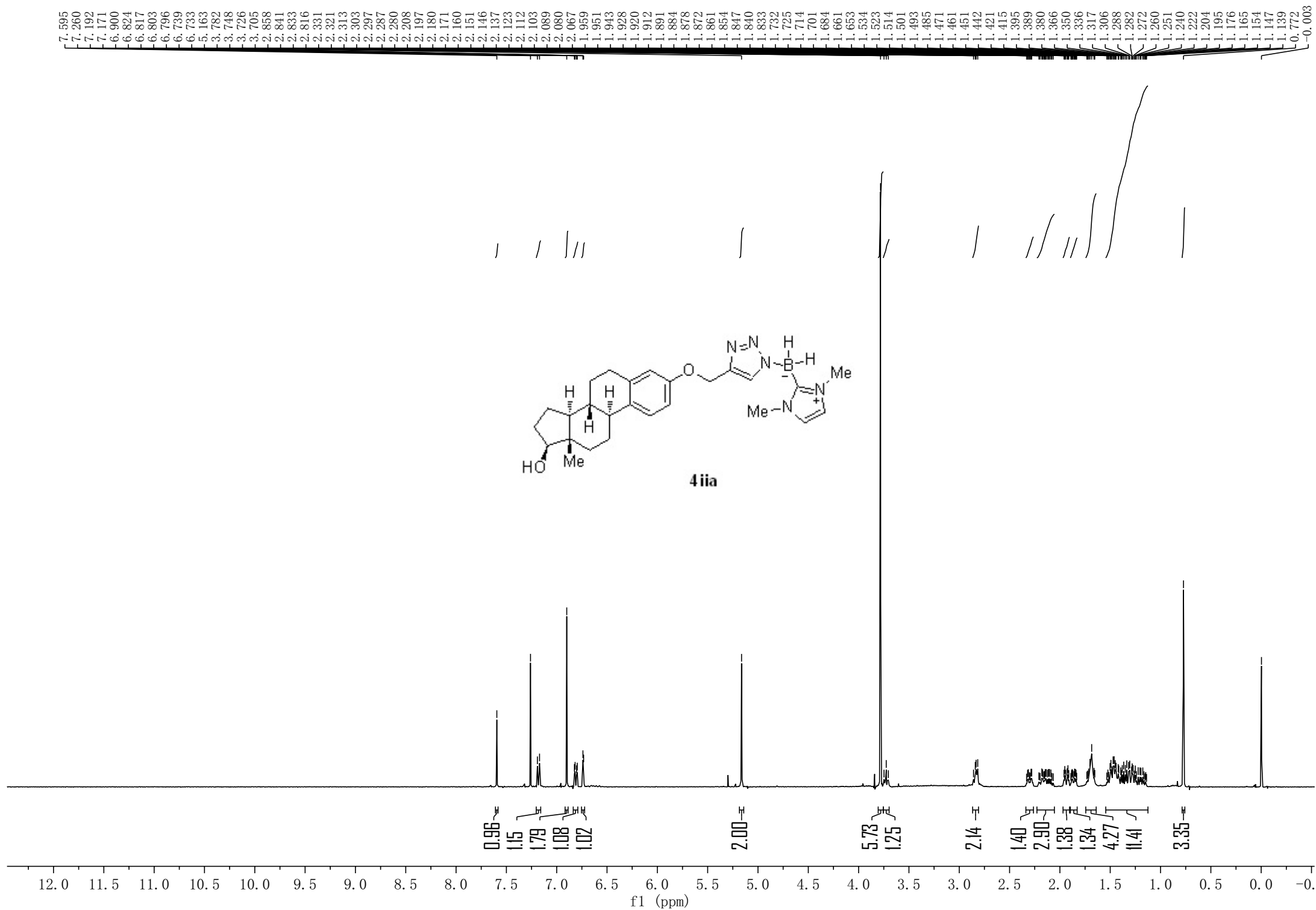
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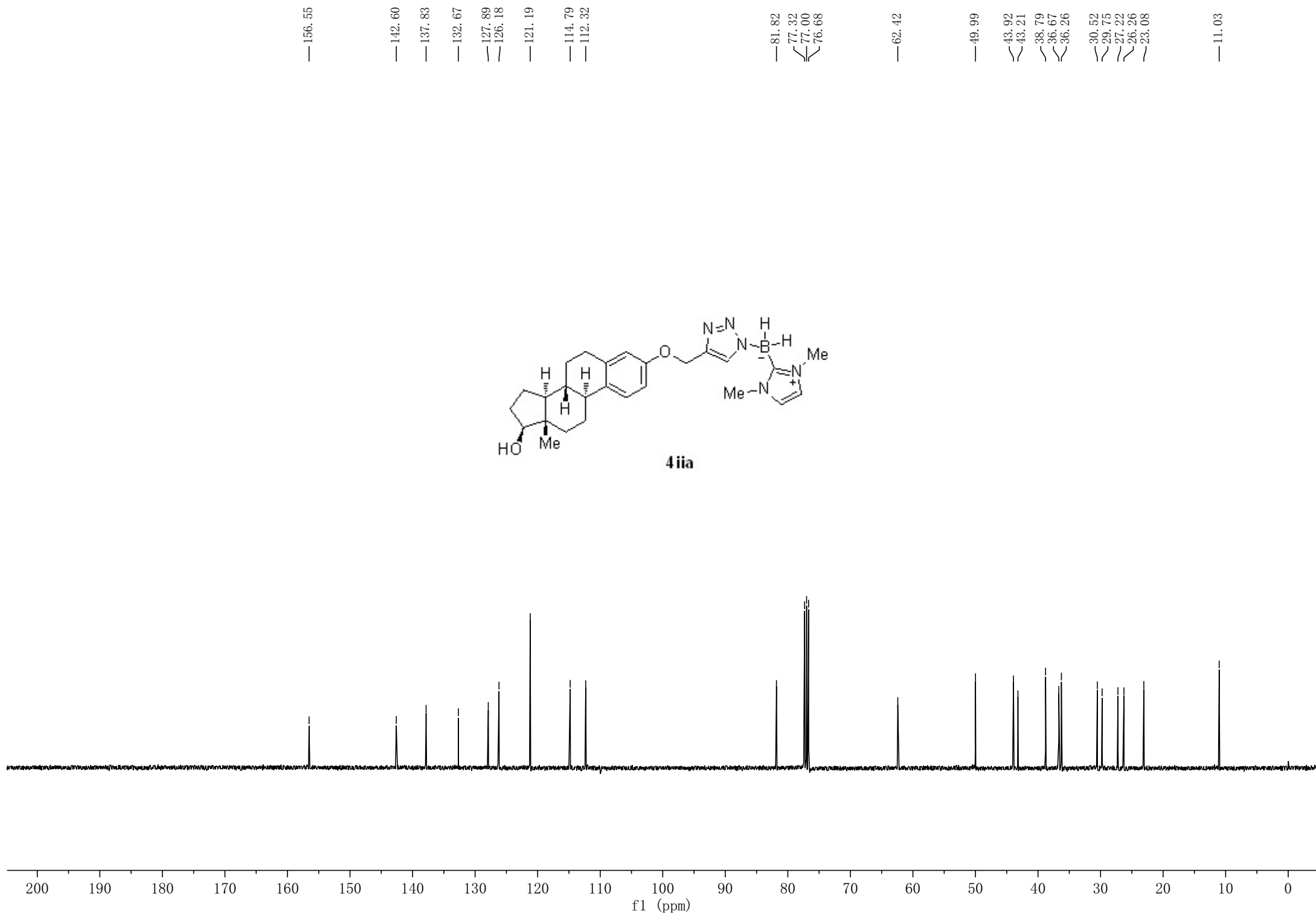
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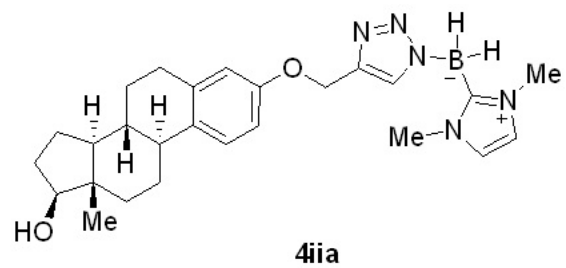
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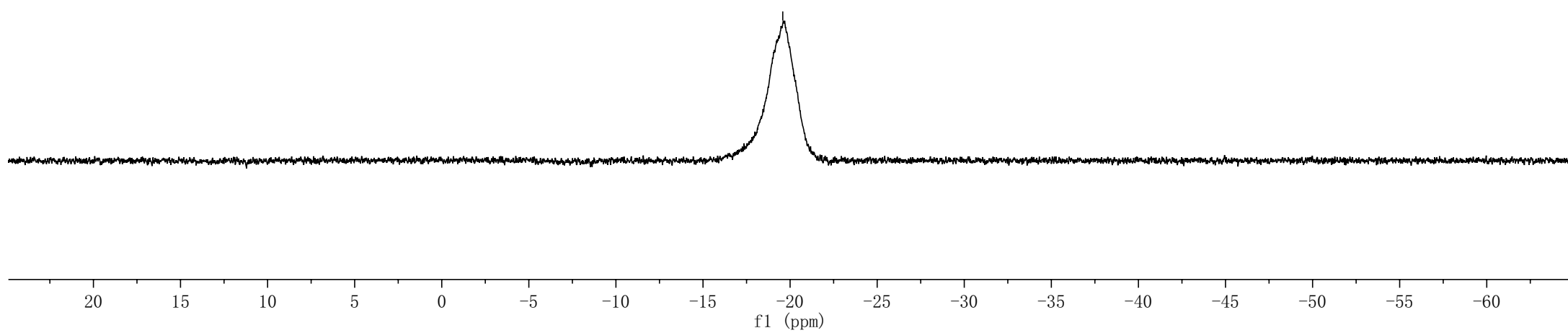


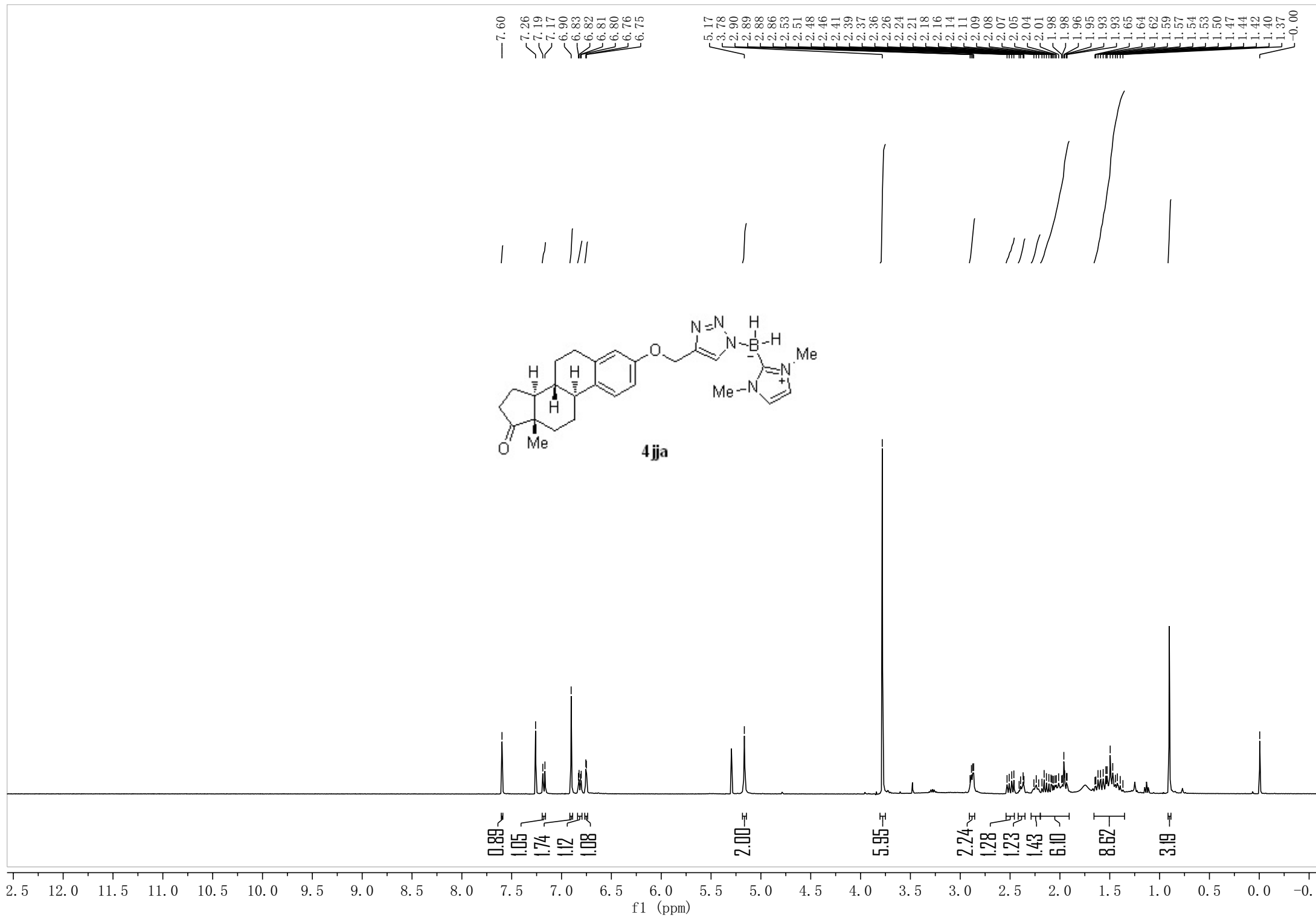


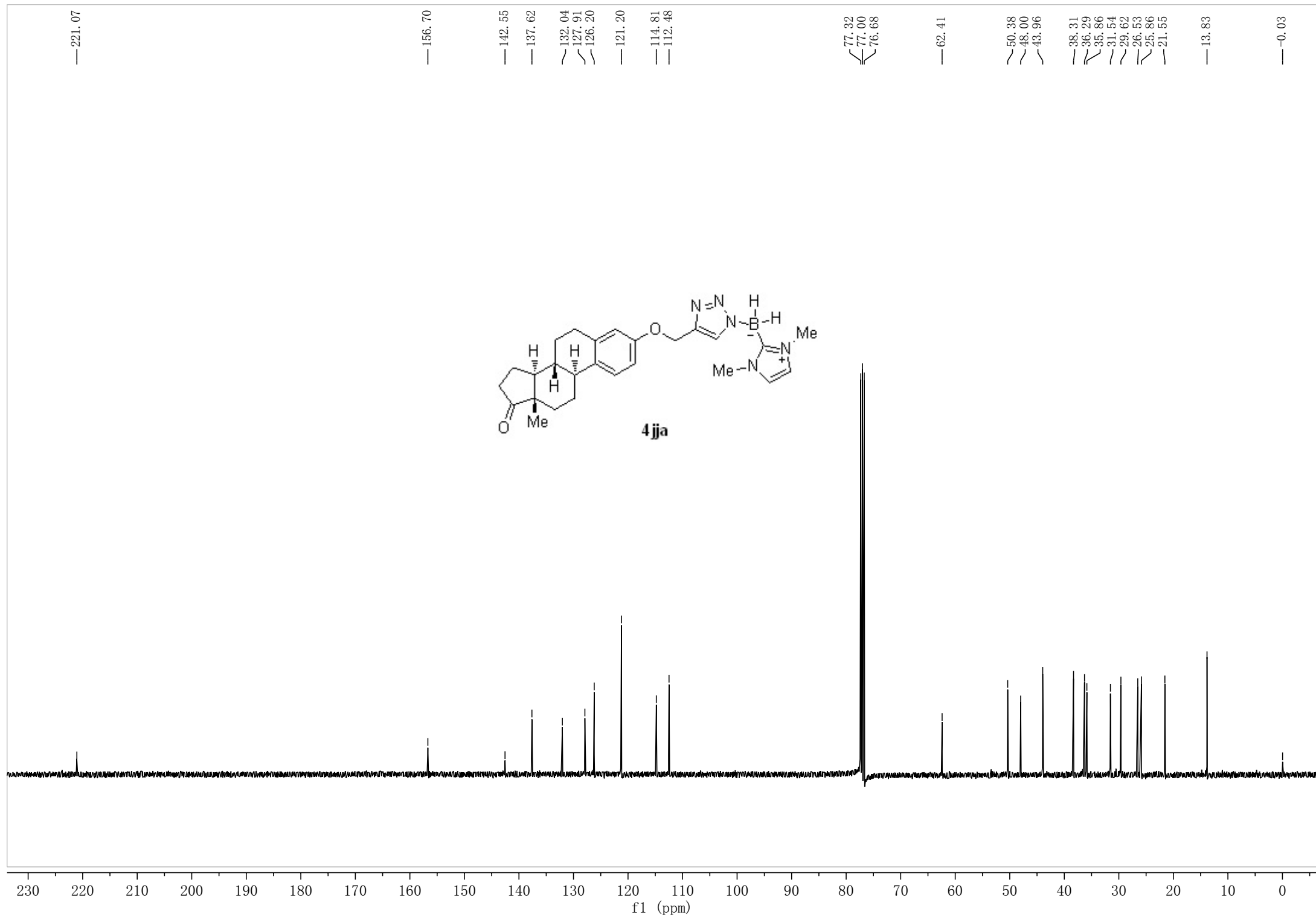
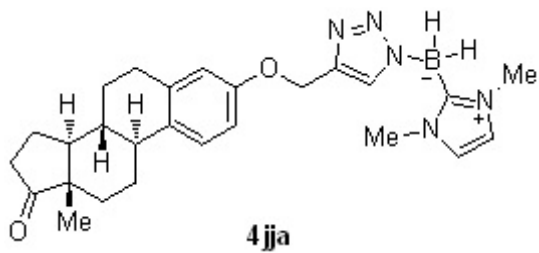


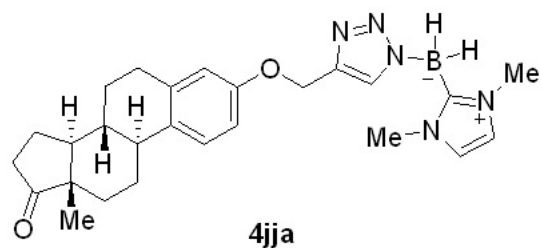


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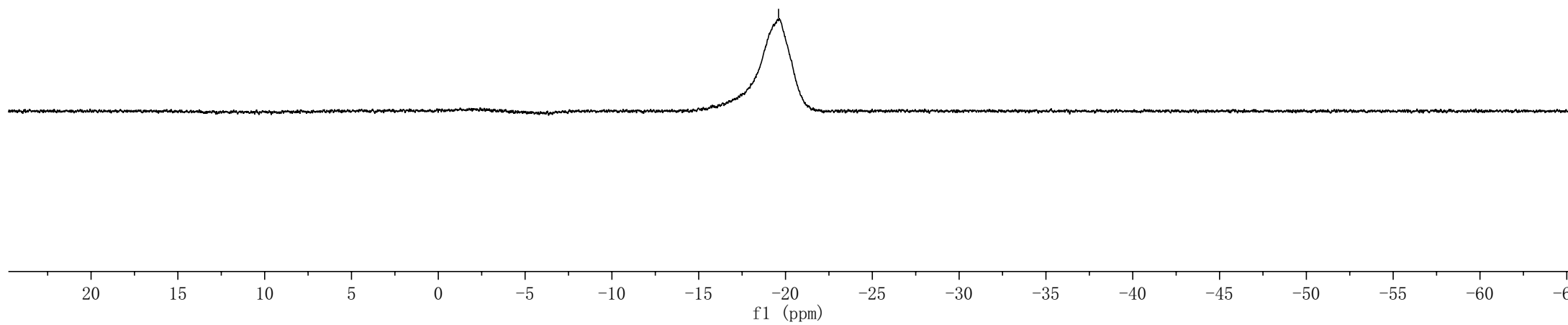


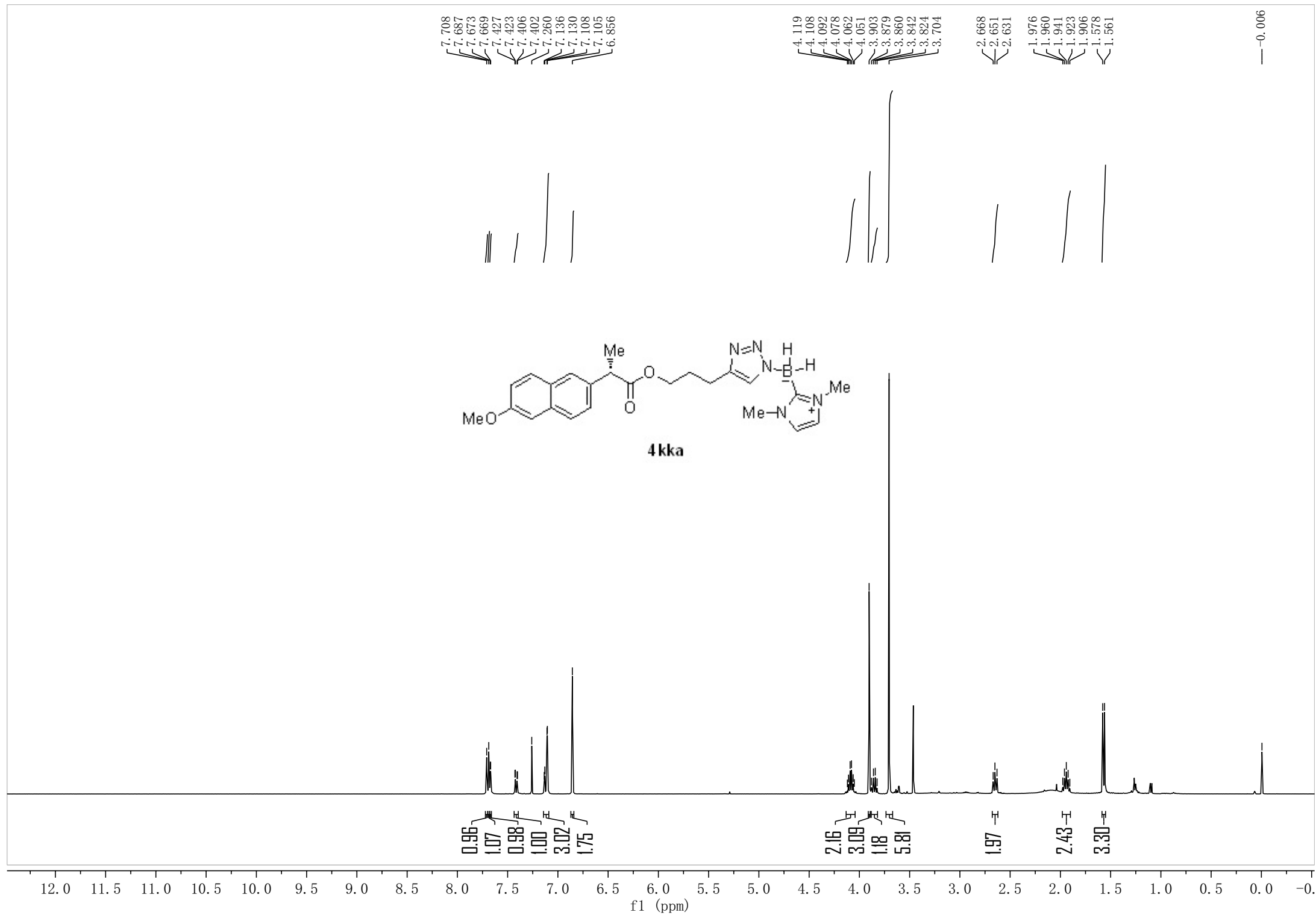


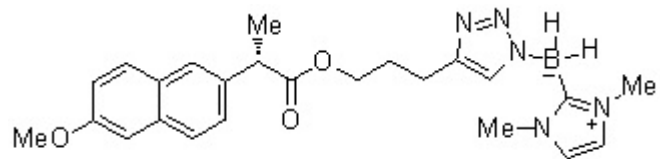




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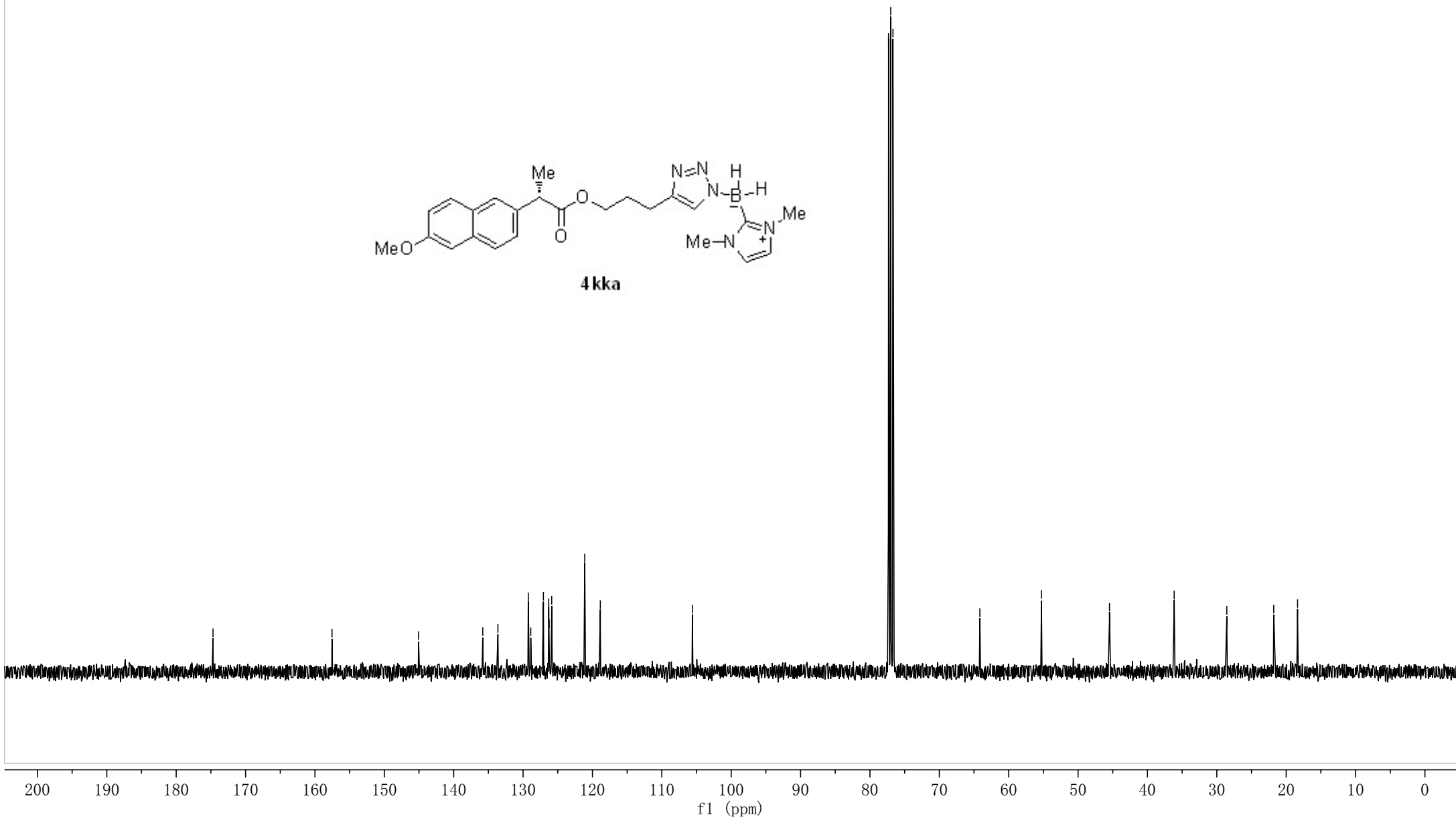


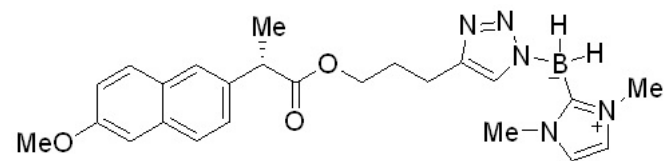




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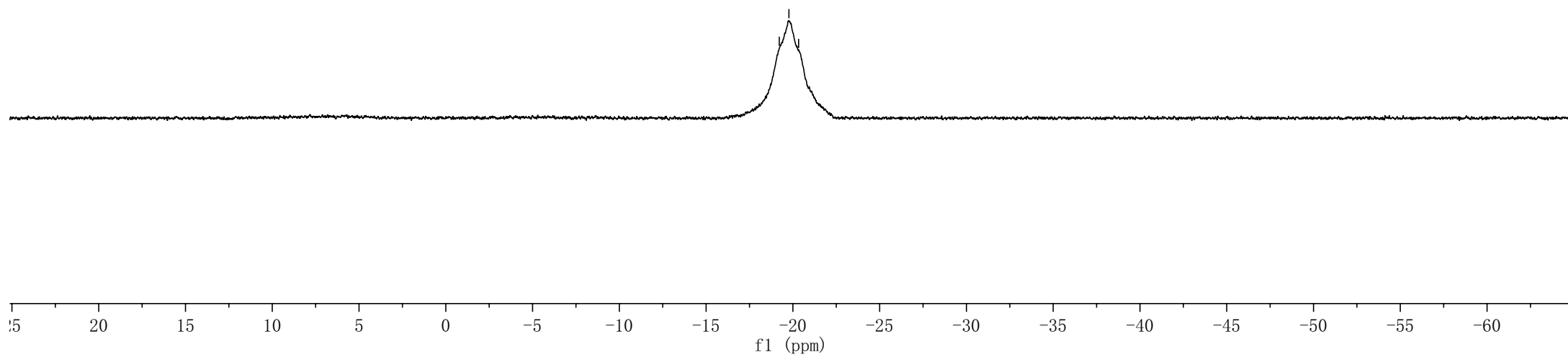
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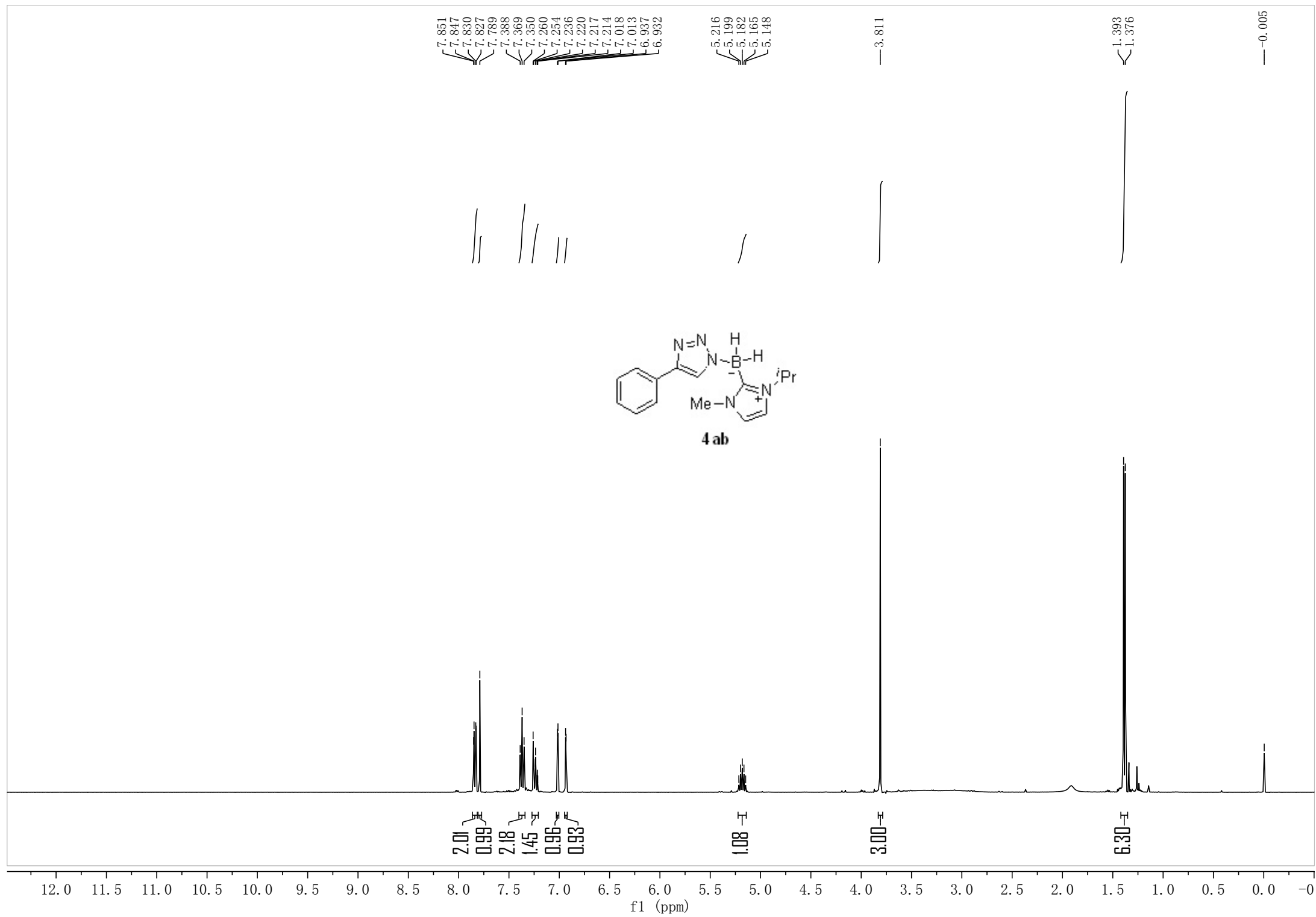


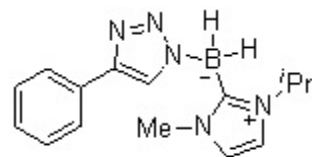


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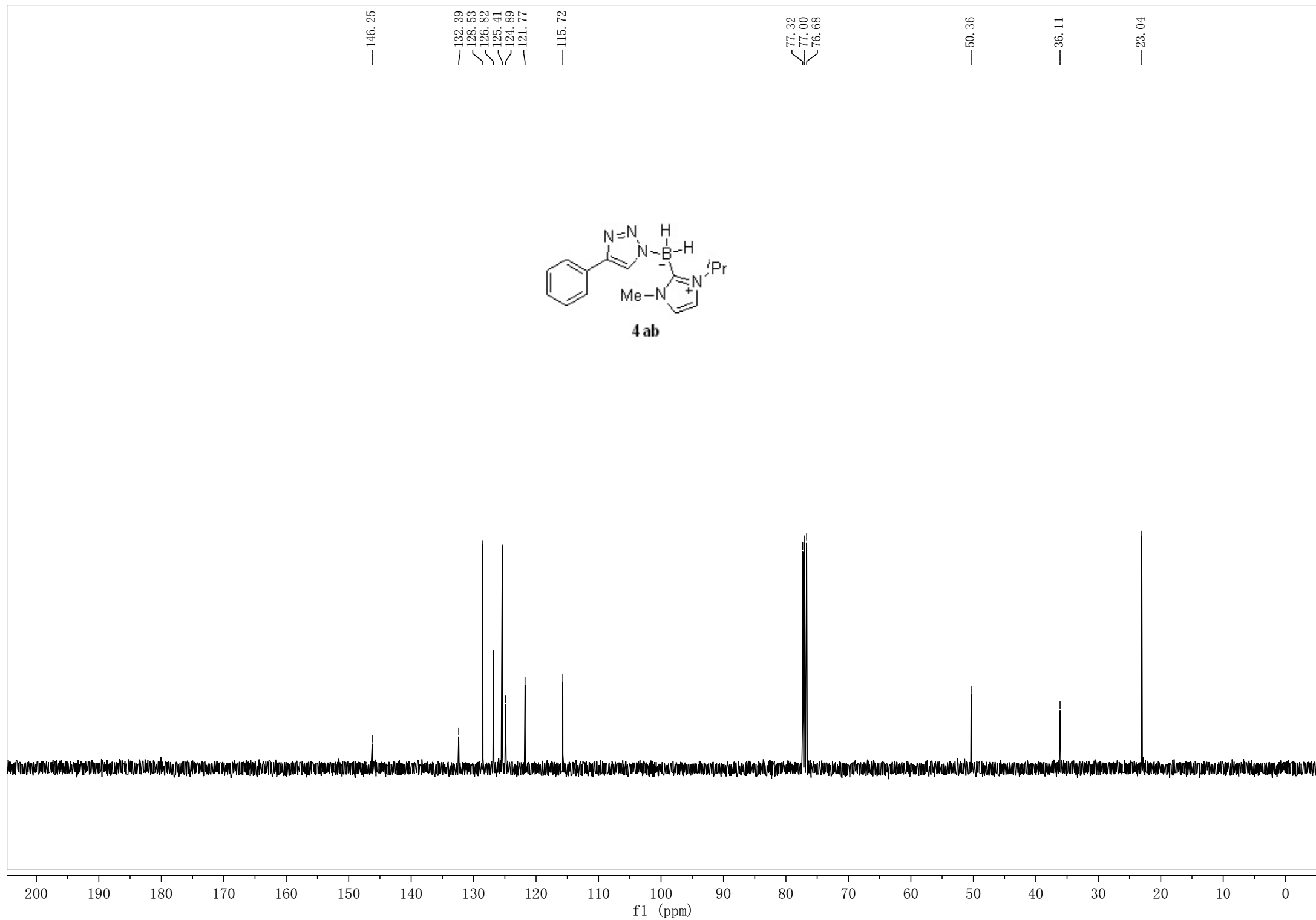
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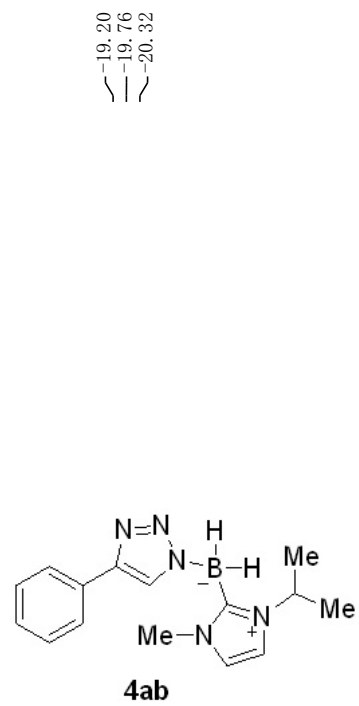




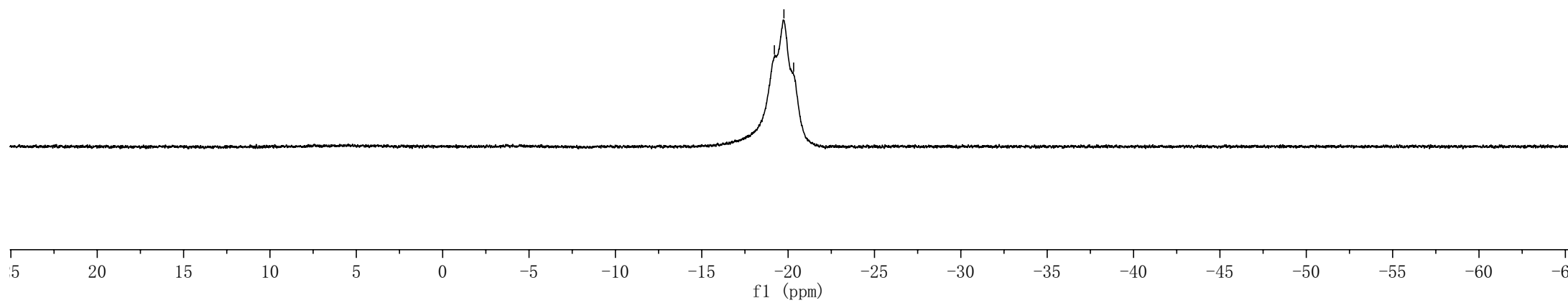


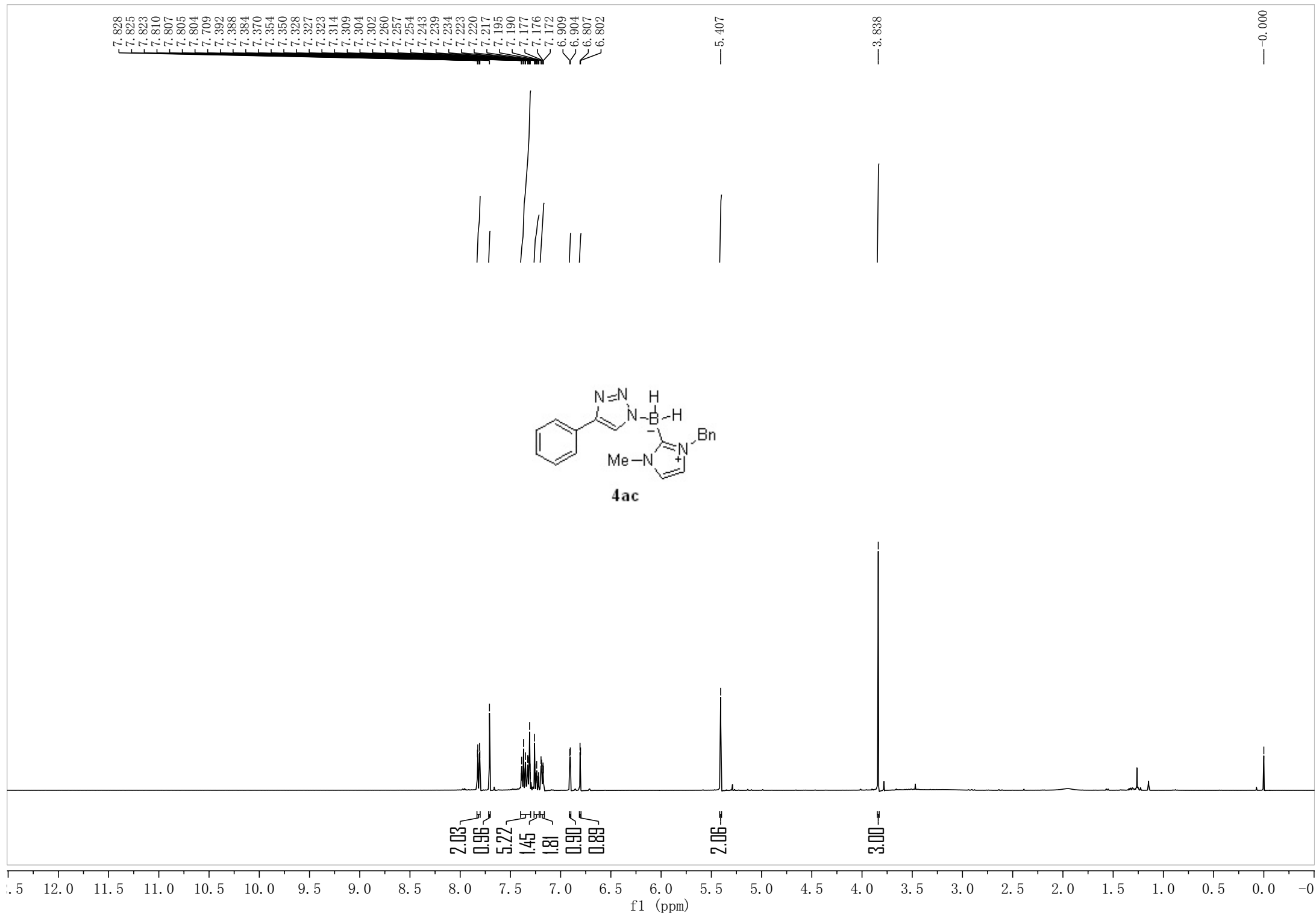
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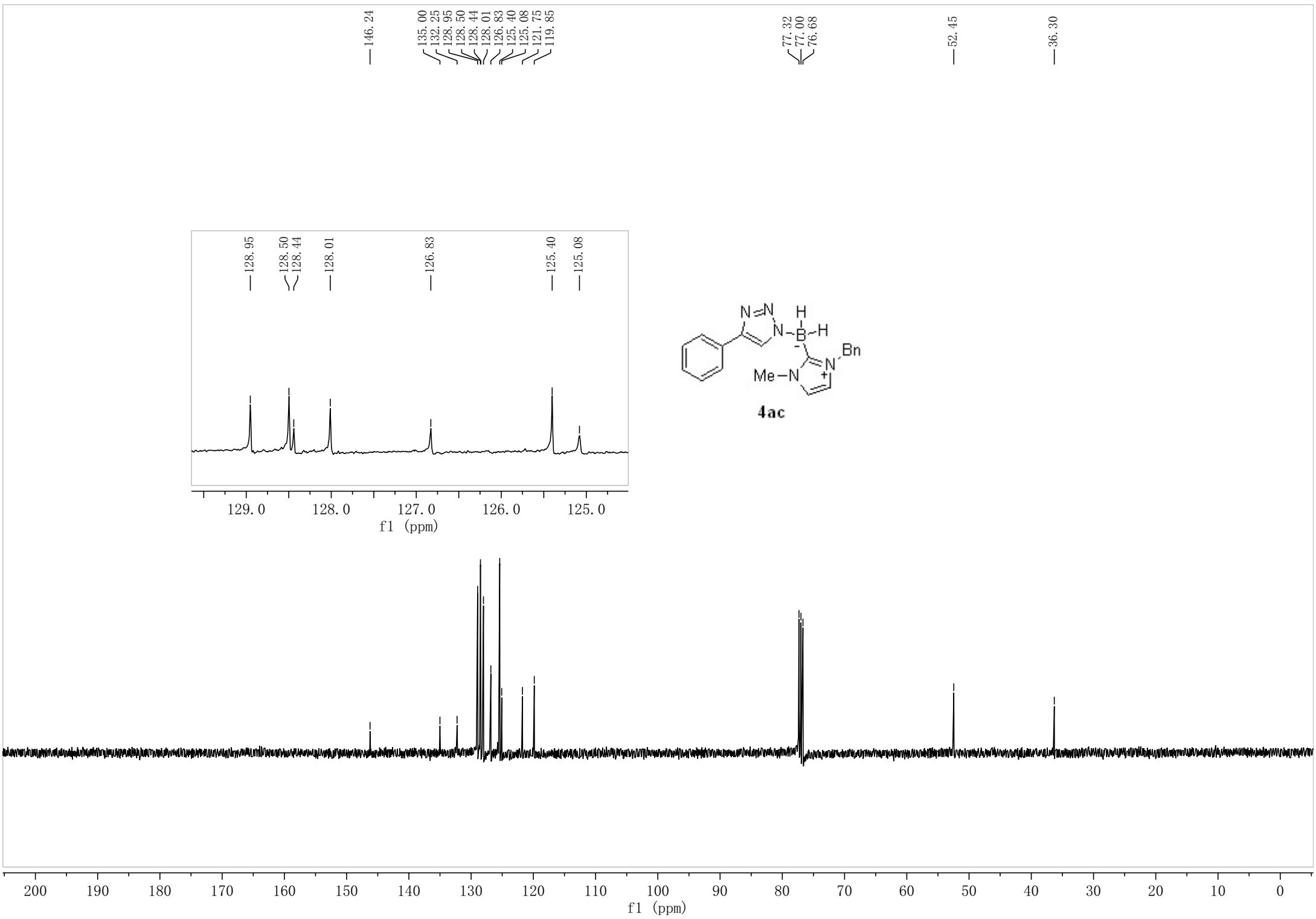




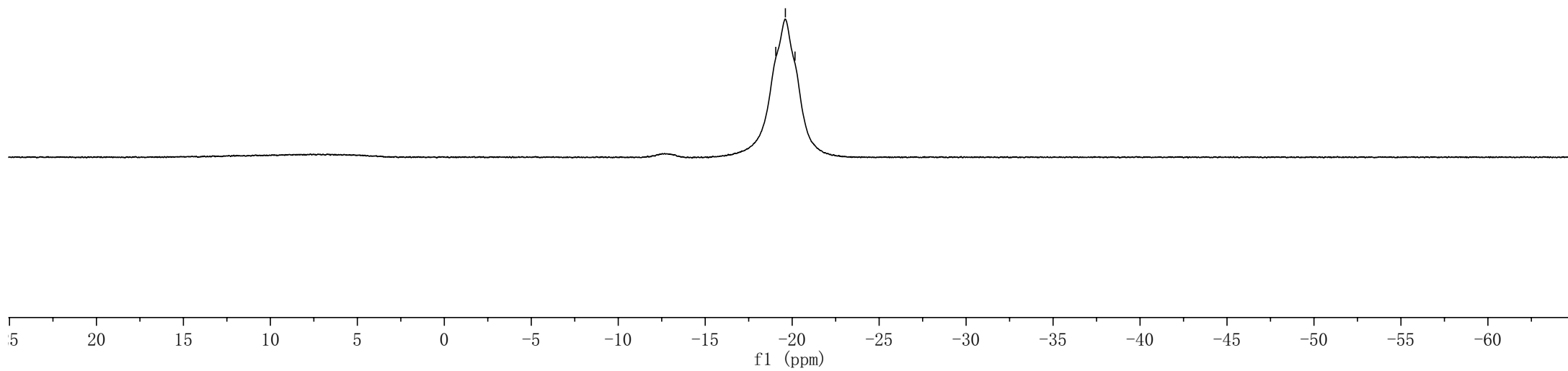
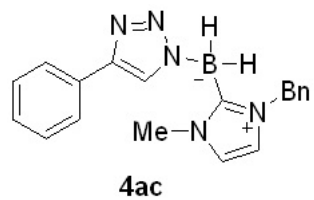
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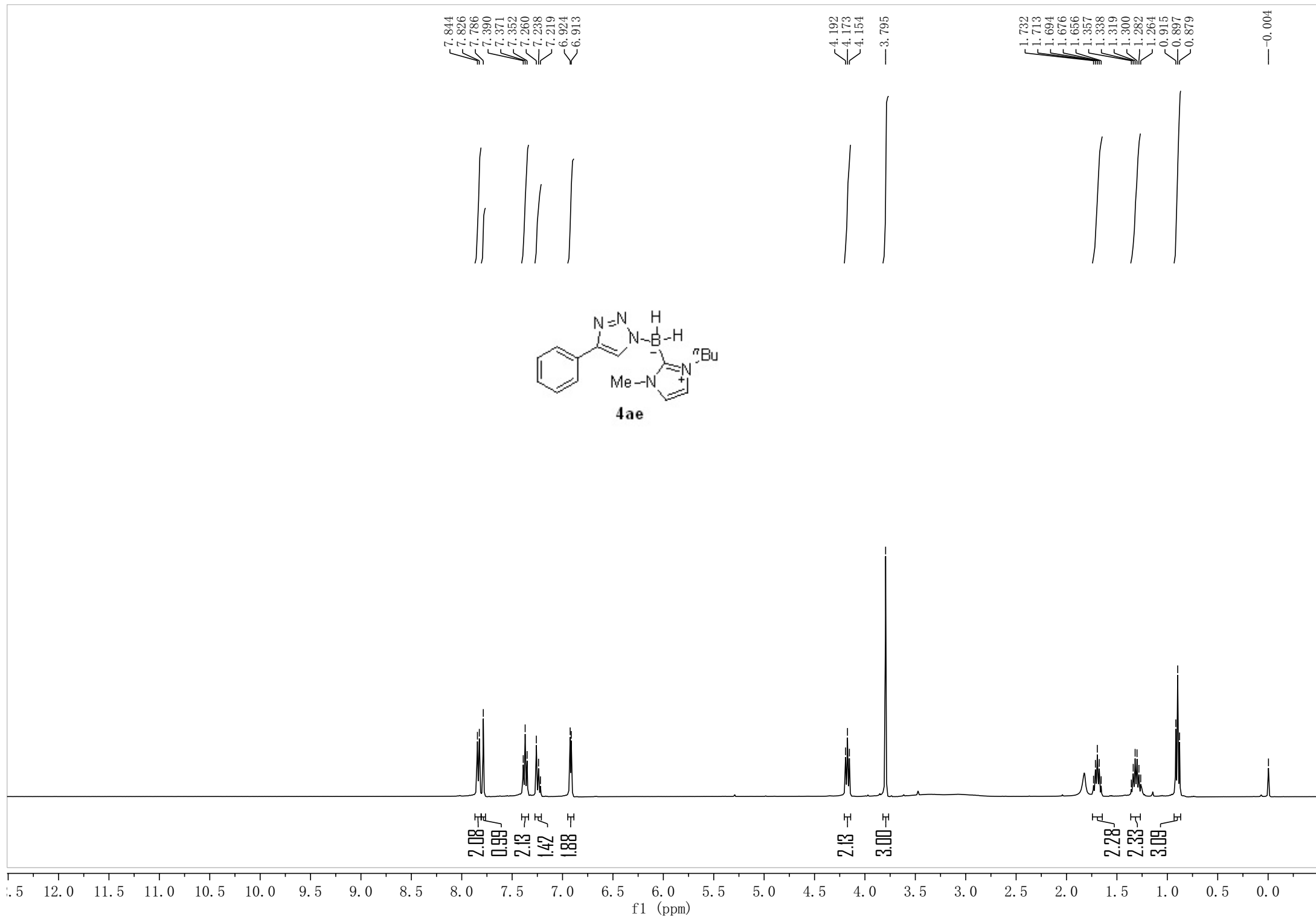


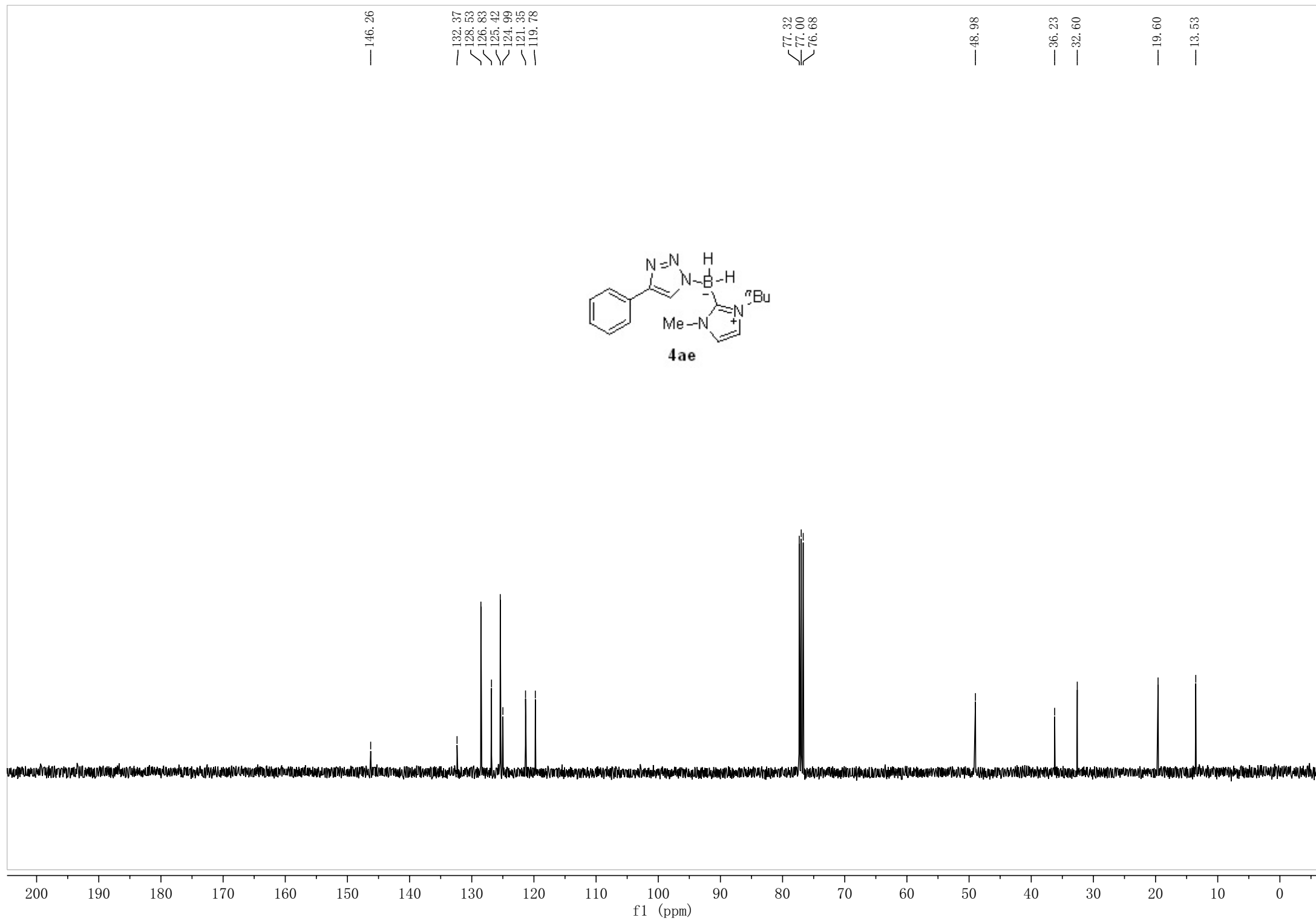
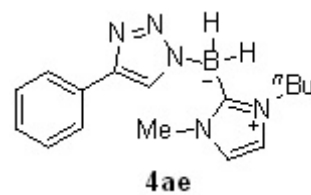


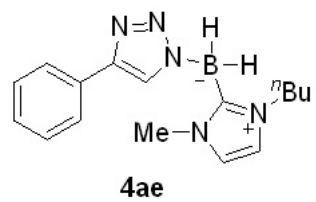


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