

## Supporting Information

### **Ni-catalyzed reductive cross-couplings of diaryl disulfides with aryl bromides for biaryl synthesis through C-S bond cleavage**

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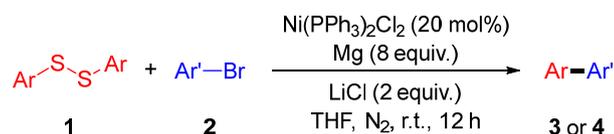
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## General information

Unless otherwise stated, all reagents were purchased from commercial suppliers and used without further purification. Analytical thin layer chromatography (TLC) was performed using silica gel plate (0.2 mm thickness). Subsequent to elution, plates were visualized using UV radiation (254 nm). Flash chromatography was performed using Merck silica gel (200-300 mesh) for column chromatography with freshly distilled solvents. IR spectra were recorded on a FT-IR spectrophotometer using KBr optics.  $^1\text{H}$ ,  $^{19}\text{F}$ , and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra were recorded in  $\text{CDCl}_3$  on Bruker Avance or Jeol 400 MHz spectrometers. Tetramethylsilane (TMS) served as internal standard for  $^1\text{H}$ ,  $^{19}\text{F}$ , and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR analysis. High resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were obtained on a Waters Q-TOF Premier Spectrometer (ESI or EI Source).

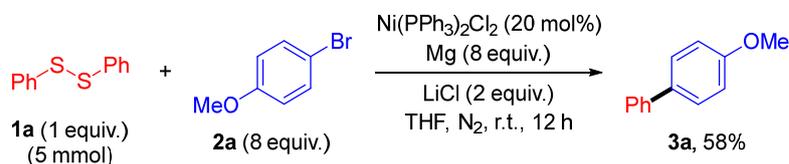
## Experimental procedure

### 1. Typical procedure for the cross-coupling reactions of diaryl disulfides with aryl bromides.



To an oven-dried Schlenk tube equipped with a magnetic stir bar was added magnesium turnings (97.2 mg, 4 mmol, 8 equiv.) and LiCl (42.3 mg, 1 mmol, 2 equiv.). Then the mixture was dried under reduced pressure with a heat gun (320 °C) for 3 min. After cooling down to room temperature, dry THF (2 mL) was added and the Schlenk tube was backfilled with nitrogen for three times. Then diaryl disulfide (0.5 mmol, 1 equiv.) and  $\text{Ni(PPh}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2$  (65.4 mg, 0.1 mmol, 20 mol%) were added into the tube, followed by the addition of aryl bromide **2** (4 mmol, 8 equiv.). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 h before quenching with saturated  $\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$  solution (2 mL) and water (20 mL) and extracting with EtOAc (20 mL x 3). The organic layers were combined, washed with brine, and dried over anhydrous  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ . The extracts were concentrated under reduced pressure to afford the crude product, which was further purified through silica gel column chromatography (using EtOAc/petroleum ether as eluents) to yield the product **3** or **4**.

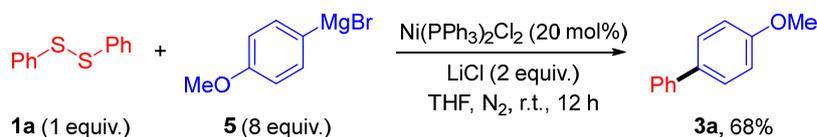
### 2. Scale-up reaction.



To an oven-dried Schlenk tube equipped with a magnetic stir bar was added magnesium turnings (0.9724 g, 40 mmol, 8 equiv.) and LiCl (0.4239 g, 10 mmol, 2 equiv.). Then the mixture was dried under reduced pressure with a heat gun (320 °C) for 3 min. After cooling down to room temperature, dry THF (10 mL) was added and the Schlenk tube was backfilled with nitrogen for three times. Then 1,2-diphenyldisulfane **1a** (1.09 g, 5 mmol, 1 equiv.) and  $\text{Ni(PPh}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2$  (0.6542 g, 1 mmol, 20 mol%) were added into the tube, followed by the addition of 1-bromo-4-methoxybenzene **2a** (7.48 g, 40 mmol, 8 equiv.). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 h before quenching

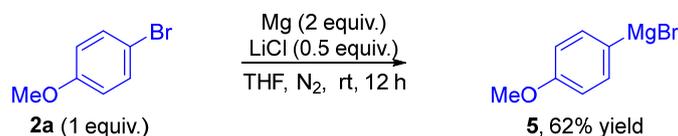
with saturated  $\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$  solution (20 mL) and water (80 mL) and extracting with EtOAc (80 mL x 3). The organic layers were combined, washed with brine, and dried over  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ . The extracts were concentrated under reduced pressure to afford the crude product, which was further purified through silica gel column chromatography (using EtOAc/petroleum ether as eluents) to yield the product **3a** in 58% yield (1.06 g).

### 3. Direct cross-coupling using Grignard reagent **5** as substrate.



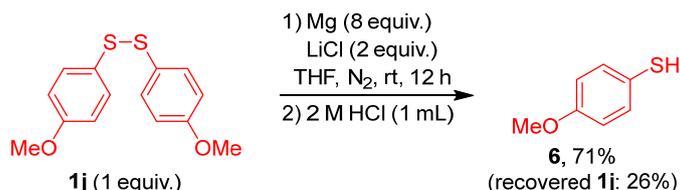
To a Schlenk tube equipped with a magnetic stir bar was added LiCl (42.3 mg, 1 mmol, 2 equiv.), which was dried under reduced pressure with a heat gun (320 °C) for 3 min. After cooling down, 1,2-diphenyldisulfane **1a** (109.2 mg, 0.5 mmol, 1 equiv.) and  $\text{Ni(PPh}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2$  (65.4 mg, 0.1 mmol, 20 mol%) were added, and the Schlenk tube was backfilled with nitrogen for three times. Then arylmagnesium bromide **5** (8 mL, 4 mmol, 0.5 M in THF) was added into the tube by syringe. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 h before quenching with saturated  $\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$  solution (2 mL) and water (20 mL) and extracting with EtOAc (20 mL x 3). The organic layers were combined, washed with brine, and dried over  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ . The extracts were concentrated under reduced pressure to afford the crude product, which was further purified through silica gel column chromatography (using EtOAc/petroleum ether as eluents) to yield the product **3a** in 68% yield (124.8 mg).

### 4. Formation of arylmagnesium reagent **5** via Mg insertion into **2a** in the presence of LiCl



To an oven-dried Schlenk tube equipped with a magnetic stir bar was added magnesium turnings (48.6 mg, 2 mmol) and LiCl (21.2 mg, 0.5 mmol). Then the mixture was dried under reduced pressure with a heat gun (320 °C) for 3 min. After cooling down to room temperature, dry THF (2 mL) was added and the Schlenk tube was backfilled with nitrogen for three times. Then aryl bromide **2a** (187.0 mg, 1 mmol) was added into the tube. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 h. After that, the yield of the obtained arylmagnesium reagent was determined to be 62% by titrating with iodine (in anhydrous THF).

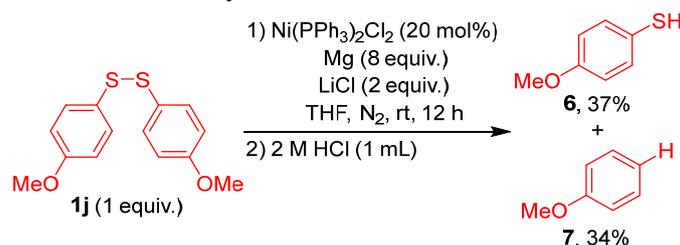
### 5. Reaction of **1j** in the absence of aryl bromide and nickel catalyst



To an oven-dried Schlenk tube equipped with a magnetic stir bar was added magnesium turnings (97.2 mg, 4 mmol, 8 equiv.) and LiCl (42.3 mg, 1 mmol, 2 equiv.). Then the mixture was dried under

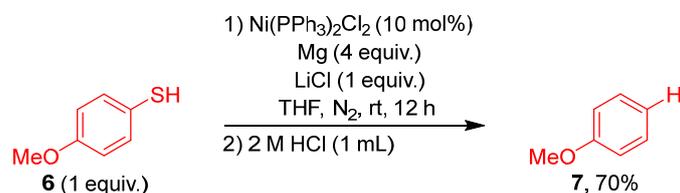
reduced pressure with a heat gun (320 °C) for 3 min. After cooling down to room temperature, dry THF (2 mL) was added and the Schlenk tube was backfilled with nitrogen for three times. Then diaryl disulfide **1j** (139 mg, 0.5 mmol, 1 equiv.) was added into the tube. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 h before quenching with aqueous hydrochloric acid (2 mmol, 1 mL, 2 M in water) and water (20 mL) followed by extracting with EtOAc (20 mL x 3). The organic layers were combined, washed with brine, and dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. The extracts were concentrated under reduced pressure to afford the crude product, which was further purified through silica gel column chromatography (using EtOAc/petroleum ether as eluents) to give the product **6** in 71% yield (99.5 mg).

## 6. Reaction of **1j** in the absence of aryl bromide



To an oven-dried Schlenk tube equipped with a magnetic stir bar was added magnesium turnings (97.2 mg, 4 mmol, 8 equiv.) and LiCl (42.3 mg, 1 mmol, 2 equiv.). Then the mixture was dried under reduced pressure with a heat gun (320 °C) for 3 min. After cooling down to room temperature, dry THF (2 mL) was added and the Schlenk tube was backfilled with nitrogen for three times. Then aryl disulfide **1j** (139 mg, 0.5 mmol, 1 equiv.) and Ni(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (65.4 mg, 0.1 mmol, 20 mol%) were added into the tube. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 h before quenching with aqueous hydrochloric acid (2 mmol, 1 mL, 2 M in water) and water (20 mL) followed by extracting with EtOAc (20 mL x 3). The organic layers were combined, washed with brine, and dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. The extracts were concentrated under reduced pressure to afford the crude product, which was further purified through silica gel column chromatography (using EtOAc/petroleum ether as eluents) to the product **6** in 37% yield (51.8 mg) and product **7** in 34% yield (34.8 mg).

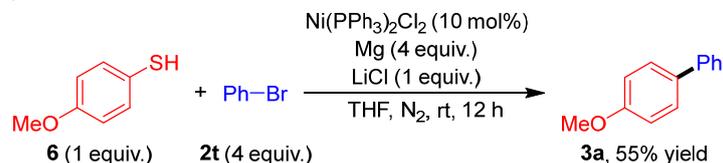
## 7. Reaction of benzenethiol **6** in the absence of aryl bromide



To an oven-dried Schlenk tube equipped with a magnetic stir bar was added magnesium turnings (48.6 mg, 2 mmol, 4 equiv.) and LiCl (21.2 mg, 0.5 mmol, 1 equiv.). Then the mixture was dried under reduced pressure with a heat gun (320 °C) for 3 min. After cooling down to room temperature, dry THF (2 mL) was added and the Schlenk tube was backfilled with nitrogen for three times. Then benzenethiol **6** (70.1 mg, 0.5 mmol, 1 equiv.) and Ni(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (32.7 mg, 0.05 mmol, 10 mol%) were added into the tube. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 h before quenching with aqueous hydrochloric acid (2 mmol, 1 mL, 2 M in water) and water (20 mL) followed by extracting with EtOAc (20 mL x 3). The organic layers were combined, washed with

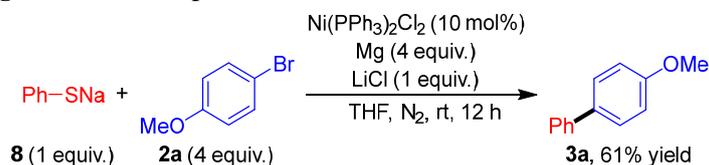
brine, and dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. The extracts were concentrated under reduced pressure to afford the crude product, which was further purified through silica gel column chromatography (using EtOAc/petroleum ether as eluents) to the product **7** in 70% yield (37.8 mg).

### 8. Cross-coupling of benzenethiol **6** with **2t**



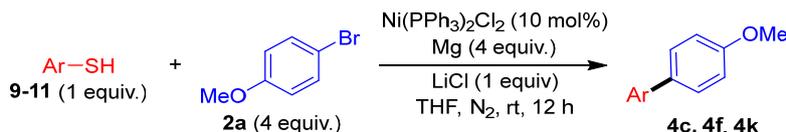
To an oven-dried Schlenk tube equipped with a magnetic stir bar was added magnesium turnings (48.6 mg, 2 mmol, 4 equiv.) and LiCl (21.2 mg, 0.5 mmol, 1 equiv.). Then the mixture was dried under reduced pressure with a heat gun (320 °C) for 3 min. After cooling down to room temperature, dry THF (2 mL) was added and the Schlenk tube was backfilled with nitrogen for three times. Then benzenethiol **6** (70.1 mg, 0.5 mmol, 1 equiv.) and Ni(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (32.7 mg, 0.05 mmol, 10 mol%) were added into the tube, followed by the addition of aryl bromide **2t** (314 mg, 2 mmol, 4 equiv.). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 h before quenching with saturated NH<sub>4</sub>Cl solution (2 mL) and water (20 mL) and extracting with EtOAc (20 mL x 3). The organic layers were combined, washed with brine, and dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. The extracts were concentrated under reduced pressure to afford the crude product, which was further purified through silica gel column chromatography (using EtOAc/petroleum ether as eluents) to yield the product **3a** in 55% yield (50.7 mg).

### 9. Cross-coupling of sodium thiophenolate **8** with **2a**



To an oven-dried Schlenk tube equipped with a magnetic stir bar was added magnesium turnings (48.6 mg, 2 mmol, 4 equiv.) and LiCl (21.2 mg, 0.5 mmol, 1 equiv.). Then the mixture was dried under reduced pressure with a heat gun (320 °C) for 3 min. After cooling down to room temperature, dry THF (2 mL) was added and the Schlenk tube was backfilled with nitrogen for three times. Then sodium thiophenolate **8** (66.1 mg, 0.5 mmol, 1 equiv.) and Ni(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (32.7 mg, 0.05 mmol, 10 mol%) were added into the tube, followed by the addition of aryl bromide **2a** (374.1 mg, 2 mmol, 4 equiv.). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 h before quenching with saturated NH<sub>4</sub>Cl solution (2 mL) and water (20 mL) and extracting with EtOAc (20 mL x 3). The organic layers were combined, washed with brine, and dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. The extracts were concentrated under reduced pressure to afford the crude product, which was further purified through silica gel column chromatography (using EtOAc/petroleum ether as eluents) to yield the product **3a** in 61% yield (55.9 mg).

### 10. Cross-coupling of aryl thiols **9-11** with **2a**



To an oven-dried Schlenk tube equipped with a magnetic stir bar was added magnesium turnings (48.6 mg, 2 mmol, 4 equiv.) and LiCl (21.2 mg, 0.5 mmol, 1 equiv.). Then the mixture was dried under reduced pressure with a heat gun (320 °C) for 3 min. After cooling down to room temperature, dry THF (2 mL) was added and the Schlenk tube was backfilled with nitrogen for three times. Then aryl thiols **9-11** (0.5 mmol, 1 equiv.) and Ni(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (32.7 mg, 0.05 mmol, 10 mol%) were added into the tube, followed by the addition of aryl bromide **2a** (374.0 mg, 2 mmol, 4 equiv.). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 h before quenching with saturated NH<sub>4</sub>Cl solution (2 mL) and water (20 mL) and extracting with EtOAc (20 mL x 3). The organic layers were combined, washed with brine, and dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. The extracts were concentrated under reduced pressure to afford the crude product, which was further purified through silica gel column chromatography (using EtOAc/petroleum ether as eluents) to yield the product **4** (**4c**: 52.4 mg, 52% yield; **4f**: 72 mg, 73% yield; **4k**: 76 mg, 65% yield).

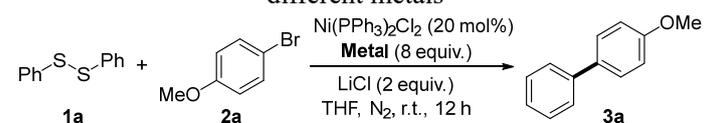
## Optimization of reaction conditions

**Table S1.** Optimization of reaction conditions by using different solvents<sup>a</sup>

Entry	Solvent	Yield (%) <sup>b</sup>
<b>1</b>	<b>THF</b>	<b>80 (77)<sup>c</sup></b>
2	DME	0
3	1,4-dioxane	0
4	2-MeTHF	0
5	<sup>t</sup> BuOMe	0
6	DMA	0
7	<sup>t</sup> Pr <sub>2</sub> O	0
8	tetrahydropyran	0
9	DMF	0

<sup>a</sup> Conditions: 1,2-diphenyldisulfane **1a** (0.5 mmol, 1 equiv.), 1-bromo-4-methoxybenzene **2a** (4 mmol), Ni(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (20 mol%, 0.1 mmol), magnesium turnings (4 mmol), LiCl (1 mmol), solvent (2 mL), room temperature, 12 h, nitrogen atmosphere. <sup>b</sup> NMR yield. <sup>c</sup> Isolated yield.

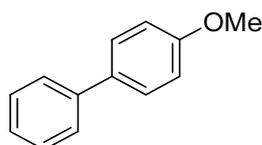
**Table S2.** Optimization of reaction conditions by using different metals<sup>a</sup>



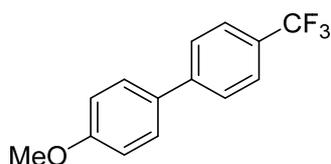
Entry	Metal	Yield (%) <sup>b</sup>
<b>1</b>	<b>Mg</b>	<b>80 (77)<sup>c</sup></b>
2	Fe	<5
3	Mn	<5
4	Zn	<5
5	Al	<5
6	Pb	<5
7	Bi	<5
8	In	<5

<sup>a</sup> Conditions: 1,2-diphenyldisulfane **1a** (0.5 mmol, 1 equiv.), 1-bromo-4-methoxybenzene **2a** (4 mmol), Ni(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (20 mol%, 0.1 mmol), metal (4 mmol), LiCl (1 mmol), THF (2 mL), room temperature, 12 h, nitrogen atmosphere. <sup>b</sup> NMR yield. <sup>c</sup> Isolated yield.

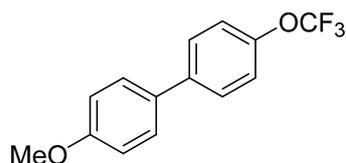
## Characterization data of products



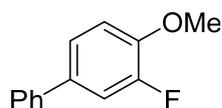
**4-Methoxy-1,1'-biphenyl (3a)**<sup>||</sup>: 141.8 mg, 77% yield. White solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*): δ 7.67–7.53 (m, 4H), 7.51–7.42 (m, 2H), 7.39–7.31 (m, 1H), 7.07–6.98 (m, 2H), 3.88 (s, 3H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*): δ 159.1, 140.7, 133.7, 128.7, 128.1, 126.7, 126.6, 114.1, 55.3 ppm. IR (KBr, neat): ν = 2360, 2341, 1844, 1653, 1559, 1540, 1507, 1457, 1089, 803, 668 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (m/z): calcd for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>13</sub>O [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 185.0961, found: 185.0965.



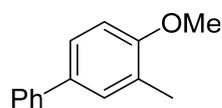
**4-Methoxy-4'-(trifluoromethyl)-1,1'-biphenyl (3b)**<sup>||</sup>: 123.5 mg, 49% yield. White solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*): δ 7.49–7.42 (m, 4H), 7.16–7.11 (m, 2H), 6.98–6.94 (m, 2H), 3.85 (s, 3H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*): δ 160.6, 144.8, 136.7, 127.3 (q, *J* = 32.3 Hz), 126.3, 125.6 (q, *J* = 3.6 Hz), 125.5 (q, *J* = 270.3 Hz), 121.6, 115.4, 55.4 ppm. <sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, Chloroform-*d*): δ -62.23 (s, 3F) ppm. IR (KBr, neat): ν = 3649, 2977, 1922, 1603, 1494, 1329, 1112, 831, 742, 532 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (m/z): calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>12</sub>F<sub>3</sub>O [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 253.0835, found: 253.0832.



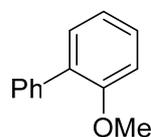
**4-Methoxy-4'-(trifluoromethoxy)-1,1'-biphenyl (3c)**<sup>11</sup>: 152.7 mg, 57% yield. White solid. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)**:  $\delta$  7.58–7.53 (m, 2H), 7.52–7.48 (m, 2H), 7.29–7.24 (m, 2H), 7.02–6.97 (m, 2H), 3.86 (s, 3H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)**:  $\delta$  159.4, 148.2, 139.6, 132.3, 128.1, 127.9, 121.8 (q,  $J$  = 255.3 Hz), 121.2, 114.3, 55.3 ppm. **<sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)**:  $\delta$  -57.82 (s, 3F) ppm. **IR (KBr, neat)**:  $\nu$  = 2967, 1608, 1499, 1291, 1157, 1035, 828, 715, 508 cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS (m/z)**: calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>12</sub>F<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 269.0784, found: 269.0784.



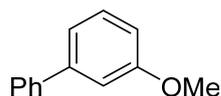
**3-Fluoro-4-methoxy-1,1'-biphenyl (3d)**<sup>11</sup>: 103.0 mg, 51% yield. White solid. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)**:  $\delta$  7.58–7.51 (m, 2H), 7.43 (dd,  $J$  = 8.5, 6.9 Hz, 2H), 7.37–7.29 (m, 3H), 7.03 (t,  $J$  = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 3.94 (s, 3H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)**:  $\delta$  153.7 (d,  $J$  = 243.5 Hz), 147.0 (d,  $J$  = 10.8 Hz), 139.7 (d,  $J$  = 2.2 Hz), 134.4 (d,  $J$  = 6.5 Hz), 128.8, 127.2, 126.6, 122.6 (d,  $J$  = 3.4 Hz), 114.8 (d,  $J$  = 18.8 Hz), 113.6 (d,  $J$  = 2.5 Hz), 56.3 ppm. **<sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)**:  $\delta$  -135.25 (s, 1F) ppm. **IR (KBr, neat)**:  $\nu$  = 2927, 1608, 1506, 1463, 1282, 1136, 1042, 806, 763, 561 cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS (m/z)**: calcd for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>12</sub>FO [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 203.0867, found: 203.0864.



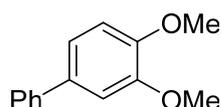
**4-Methoxy-3-methyl-1,1'-biphenyl (3e)**<sup>11</sup>: 145.2 mg, 73% yield. White solid. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)**:  $\delta$  7.75–7.66 (m, 2H), 7.59–7.50 (m, 4H), 7.47–7.39 (m, 1H), 7.00 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 3.97 (s, 3H), 2.45 (s, 3H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)**:  $\delta$  157.3, 141.0, 133.2, 129.4, 128.6, 126.7, 126.5, 126.4, 125.3, 110.1, 55.2, 16.4 ppm. **IR (KBr, neat)**:  $\nu$  = 3413, 2969, 1608, 1490, 1243, 1135, 1023, 763, 699 cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS (m/z)**: calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>15</sub>O [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 199.1117, found: 199.1119.



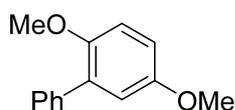
**2-Methoxy-1,1'-biphenyl (3f)**<sup>11</sup>: 75.5 mg, 41% yield. White solid. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)**:  $\delta$  7.63–7.55 (m, 2H), 7.51–7.41 (m, 2H), 7.40–7.33 (m, 3H), 7.13–7.00 (m, 2H), 3.85 (s, 3H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)**:  $\delta$  156.4, 138.5, 130.9, 130.6, 129.5, 128.6, 128.0, 126.9, 120.8, 111.1, 55.5 ppm. **IR (KBr, neat)**:  $\nu$  = 3413, 1617, 1483, 1400, 1237, 1028, 755, 699, 613 cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS (m/z)**: calcd for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>13</sub>O [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 185.0961, found: 185.0963.



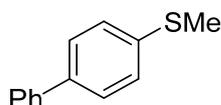
**3-Methoxy-1,1'-biphenyl (3g)**<sup>[1]</sup>: 127.5 mg, 69% yield. White solid. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)**:  $\delta$  7.70–7.61 (m, 2H), 7.49 (dd,  $J$  = 8.5, 6.8 Hz, 2H), 7.40 (td,  $J$  = 7.7, 3.5 Hz, 2H), 7.25–7.16 (m, 2H), 6.95 (ddd,  $J$  = 8.2, 2.6, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 3.90 (s, 3H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)**:  $\delta$  159.8, 142.7, 141.0, 129.7, 128.7, 127.4, 127.2, 119.6, 112.8, 112.6, 55.2 ppm. **IR (KBr, neat)**:  $\nu$  = 3329, 1613, 1477, 1302, 1239, 1207, 1057, 759, 699  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . **HRMS (m/z)**: calcd for  $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{13}\text{O}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  185.0961, found: 185.0963.



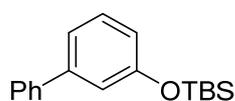
**3,4-Dimethoxy-1,1'-biphenyl (3h)**<sup>[2]</sup>: 125.9 mg, 59% yield. White solid. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)**:  $\delta$  7.60–7.56 (m, 2H), 7.48–7.41 (m, 2H), 7.37–7.30 (m, 1H), 7.20–7.10 (m, 2H), 6.96 (d,  $J$  = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 3.96 (s, 3H), 3.94 (s, 3H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)**:  $\delta$  149.0, 148.5, 140.9, 134.1, 128.6, 126.76, 126.75, 119.3, 111.3, 110.3, 55.9, 55.8 ppm. **IR (KBr, neat)**:  $\nu$  = 3321, 2965, 2844, 1523, 1211, 1141, 1023, 762, 591  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . **HRMS (m/z)**: calcd for  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{15}\text{O}_2$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  215.1067, found: 215.1069.



**2,5-Dimethoxy-1,1'-biphenyl (3i)**<sup>[3]</sup>: 148.4 mg, 69% yield. White solid. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)**:  $\delta$  7.55–7.52 (m, 2H), 7.44–7.39 (m, 2H), 7.36–7.31 (m, 1H), 7.25 (s, 2H), 6.94–6.84 (m, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.76 (s, 3H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)**:  $\delta$  153.6, 150.7, 138.3, 131.5, 129.4, 128.0, 127.1, 116.6, 113.0, 112.5, 56.2, 55.7 ppm. **IR (KBr, neat)**:  $\nu$  = 3124, 2983, 2824, 1616, 1514, 1295, 1054, 835, 518  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . **HRMS (m/z)**: calcd for  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{15}\text{O}_2$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  215.1067, found: 215.1069.

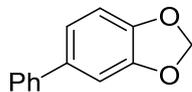


**[1,1'-Biphenyl]-4-yl(methyl)sulfane (3j)**<sup>[4]</sup>: 92.8 mg, 46% yield. White solid. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)**:  $\delta$  7.59–7.51 (m, 4H), 7.46–7.41 (m, 2H), 7.36–7.31 (m, 3H), 2.53 (s, 3H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)**:  $\delta$  140.5, 138.0, 137.5, 128.8, 127.5, 127.2, 126.9, 126.8, 15.7 ppm. **IR (KBr, neat)**:  $\nu$  = 3511, 2917, 1648, 1479, 1098, 823, 754, 543  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . **HRMS (m/z)**: calcd for  $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{13}\text{S}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  201.0732, found: 201.0729.

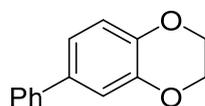


**([1,1'-Biphenyl]-3-yloxy)(*tert*-butyl)dimethylsilane (3k)**<sup>[4]</sup>: 119.5 mg, 42% yield. Yellow oil. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)**:  $\delta$  7.64–7.60 (m, 2H), 7.56–7.52 (m, 2H), 7.51–7.45 (m, 2H),

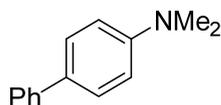
7.40–7.33 (m, 1H), 7.03–6.96 (m, 2H), 1.10 (s, 9H), 0.32 (s, 6H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*):  $\delta$  156.0, 142.7, 141.0, 129.6, 128.7, 127.3, 127.1, 120.2, 118.92, 118.89, 25.7, 18.2, -4.4 ppm. IR (KBr, neat):  $\nu$  = 3325, 2971, 2833, 2765, 1599, 1497, 1259, 927, 762 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (m/z): calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>25</sub>OSi [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 285.1669, found: 285.1673.



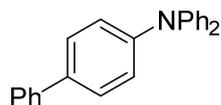
**5-Phenylbenzo[d][1,3]dioxole (3l)**<sup>11</sup>: 111.0 mg, 56% yield. White solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*):  $\delta$  7.58–7.51 (m, 2H), 7.43 (ddd, *J* = 7.8, 6.9, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 7.37–7.30 (m, 1H), 7.13–7.05 (m, 2H), 6.91 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 0.6 Hz, 1H), 6.02 (s, 2H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*):  $\delta$  148.0, 147.0, 140.9, 135.5, 128.7, 126.9, 126.8, 120.6, 108.5, 107.6, 101.1 ppm. IR (KBr, neat):  $\nu$  = 2351, 2138, 1620, 1514, 1485, 1231, 1043, 944, 762 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (m/z): calcd for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>11</sub>O<sub>2</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 199.2285, found: 199.2286.



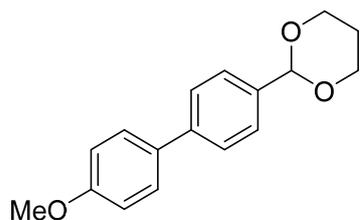
**6-Phenyl-2,3-dihydrobenzo[b][1,4]dioxine (3m)**<sup>11</sup>: 108.2 mg, 51% yield. White solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*):  $\delta$  7.62–7.56 (m, 2H), 7.48–7.42 (m, 2H), 7.38–7.31 (m, 1H), 7.20–7.12 (m, 2H), 6.99 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 4.31 (s, 4H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*):  $\delta$  143.6, 143.1, 140.5, 134.7, 128.7, 126.8, 126.7, 120.1, 117.5, 115.8, 64.3 ppm. IR (KBr, neat):  $\nu$  = 2925, 2850, 1576, 1311, 1240, 1078, 904, 816, 697 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (m/z): calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>13</sub>O<sub>2</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 213.0910, found: 213.0915.



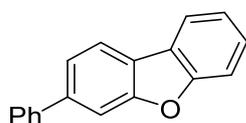
***N,N*-Dimethyl-[1,1'-biphenyl]-4-amine (3n)**<sup>11</sup>: 102.6 mg, 52% yield. White solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*):  $\delta$  7.66–7.54 (m, 4H), 7.46 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.38–7.29 (m, 1H), 6.92–6.82 (m, 2H), 3.04 (s, 6H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*):  $\delta$  149.9, 141.2, 129.2, 128.6, 127.7, 126.2, 125.9, 112.7, 40.5 ppm. IR (KBr, neat):  $\nu$  = 2937, 2856, 1612, 1494, 1355, 1237, 1068, 829, 765 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (m/z): calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>16</sub>N [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 198.1277, found: 198.1278.



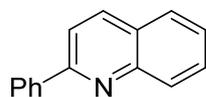
***N,N*-Diphenyl-[1,1'-biphenyl]-4-amine (3o)**<sup>11</sup>: 160.7 mg, 50% yield. White solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*):  $\delta$  7.68–7.62 (m, 2H), 7.58–7.53 (m, 2H), 7.48 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 6.9 Hz, 2H), 7.41–7.29 (m, 5H), 7.25–7.18 (m, 6H), 7.14–7.06 (m, 2H) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*):  $\delta$  147.6, 147.1, 140.6, 135.1, 129.2, 128.7, 127.7, 126.8, 126.6, 124.4, 123.9, 122.9 ppm. IR (KBr, neat):  $\nu$  = 2560, 2371, 1606, 1504, 1386, 1253, 1034, 860, 690 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (m/z): calcd for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>20</sub>N [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 322.1590, found: 322.1593.



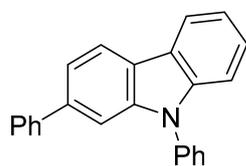
**2-(4'-Methoxy-[1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl)-1,3-dioxane (3p):** 139.8 mg, 52% yield. Yellow solid.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*):  $\delta$  7.57–7.51 (m, 6H), 7.00–6.95 (m, 2H), 5.55 (s, 1H), 4.29 (ddd,  $J = 12.3, 4.9, 1.5$  Hz, 2H), 4.06–3.98 (m, 2H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 2.32–2.18 (m, 1H), 1.50–1.43 (m, 1H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*):  $\delta$  159.2, 141.2, 137.1, 133.4, 128.2, 126.6, 126.3, 114.1, 101.5, 67.4, 55.3, 25.7 ppm. IR (KBr, neat):  $\nu = 2960, 1603, 1500, 1376, 1250, 1160, 988, 820, 523$   $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . HRMS (*m/z*): calcd for  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{19}\text{O}_3$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  271.1329, found: 271.1332.



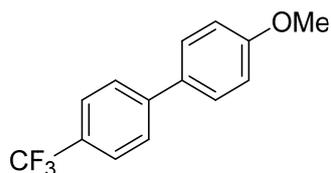
**3-Phenyldibenzo[*b,d*]furan (3q)<sup>[1]</sup>:** 112.4 mg, 46% yield. White solid.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*):  $\delta$  8.19 (d,  $J = 1.9$  Hz, 1H), 8.05–8.01 (m, 1H), 7.75–7.71 (m, 3H), 7.68–7.63 (m, 2H), 7.57–7.50 (m, 3H), 7.46–7.39 (m, 2H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*): 156.5, 155.6, 141.2, 136.3, 128.8, 127.4, 127.2, 127.0, 126.5, 124.6, 124.2, 122.7, 120.6, 119.1, 111.7 ppm. IR (KBr, neat):  $\nu = 2375, 2168, 1472, 1265, 1129, 1028, 893, 758, 696$   $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . HRMS (*m/z*): calcd for  $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{13}\text{O}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  245.0961, found: 245.0957.



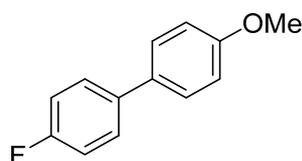
**2-Phenylquinoline (3r)<sup>[4]</sup>:** 93.3 mg, 45% yield. White solid.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*):  $\delta$  8.85 (dd,  $J = 8.6, 1.9$  Hz, 2H), 8.37–8.20 (m, 4H), 7.87 (dd,  $J = 8.2, 1.5$  Hz, 2H), 7.75 (tdd,  $J = 7.3, 3.5, 1.8$  Hz, 2H), 7.61–7.54 (m, 1H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*):  $\delta$  156.1, 147.9, 136.7, 136.5, 133.6, 131.3, 129.9, 129.5, 128.7, 128.4, 127.6, 126.9, 119.4 ppm. IR (KBr, neat):  $\nu = 3370, 2681, 1597, 1426, 1331, 1165, 1084, 913, 832$   $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . HRMS (*m/z*): calcd for  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{12}\text{N}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  206.0964, found: 206.0969.



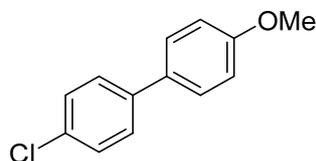
**2,9-Diphenyl-9H-carbazole (3s)<sup>[5]</sup>:** 120.5 mg, 38% yield. White solid.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*):  $\delta$  8.27–8.21 (m, 2H), 7.73–7.69 (m, 2H), 7.69–7.64 (m, 5H), 7.61 (dd,  $J = 8.1, 1.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.55–7.46 (m, 5H), 7.42–7.34 (m, 2H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*):  $\delta$  141.6, 141.4, 140.2, 137.6, 133.1, 129.9, 129.2, 128.8, 127.6, 127.5, 127.2, 125.9, 123.1, 122.4, 120.4, 120.3, 120.1, 120.0, 109.7, 108.6 ppm. IR (KBr, neat):  $\nu = 3280, 2425, 2361, 1604, 1415, 1229, 1082, 806, 704$   $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . HRMS (*m/z*): calcd for  $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  320.1434, found: 320.1440.



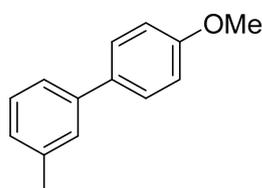
**4-Methoxy-4'-(trifluoromethyl)-1,1'-biphenyl (4b)**<sup>[4]</sup>: 88.3 mg, 35% yield. White solid. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)**:  $\delta$  7.71–7.62 (m, 4H), 7.59–7.52 (m, 2H), 7.05–6.97 (m, 2H), 3.87 (s, 3H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)**:  $\delta$  159.8, 144.3, 132.1, 128.8 (q,  $J = 32.5$  Hz), 128.3, 126.8, 125.7 (q,  $J = 3.9$  Hz), 124.9 (q,  $J = 270.2$  Hz), 114.4, 55.3 ppm. **<sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)**:  $\delta$  -62.16 (s, 3F) ppm. **IR (KBr, neat)**:  $\nu = 3350, 2761, 2243, 1605, 1405, 1340, 1278, 1184, 708$  cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS (m/z)**: calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>12</sub>F<sub>3</sub>O [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 253.0835, found: 253.0838.



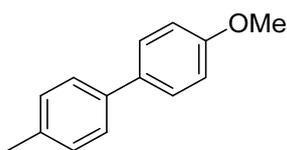
**4-Fluoro-4'-methoxy-1,1'-biphenyl (4c)**<sup>[4]</sup>: 89.0 mg, 44% yield. White solid. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)**:  $\delta$  7.49 (ddt,  $J = 8.7, 7.1, 2.6$  Hz, 4H), 7.18–7.05 (m, 2H), 7.03–6.94 (m, 2H), 3.86 (s, 3H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)**:  $\delta$  162.0 (d,  $J = 243.6$  Hz), 159.0, 136.8 (d,  $J = 3.3$  Hz), 132.7, 128.1 (d,  $J = 7.9$  Hz), 127.9, 115.5 (d,  $J = 21.2$  Hz), 114.2, 55.2 ppm. **<sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)**:  $\delta$  -116.55 (s, 1F) ppm. **IR (KBr, neat)**:  $\nu = 3250, 2895, 1562, 1463, 1327, 1288, 1075, 828, 761$  cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS (m/z)**: calcd for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>12</sub>FO [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 203.0867, found: 203.0869.



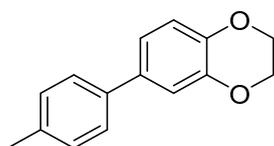
**4-Chloro-4'-methoxy-1,1'-biphenyl (4d)**<sup>[6]</sup>: 144.2 mg, 66% yield. White solid. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)**:  $\delta$  7.52–7.45 (m, 4H), 7.41–7.36 (m, 2H), 7.02–6.96 (m, 2H), 3.86 (s, 3H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)**:  $\delta$  159.3, 139.2, 132.6, 132.4, 128.8, 128.0, 127.9, 114.3, 55.3 ppm. **IR (KBr, neat)**:  $\nu = 2962, 2839, 1605, 1484, 1037, 811, 736, 498$  cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS (m/z)**: calcd for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>12</sub>OCl [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 219.6875, found: 219.6872.



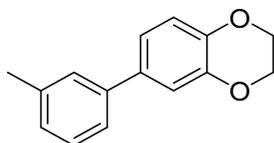
**4'-Methoxy-3-methyl-1,1'-biphenyl (4e)**<sup>[7]</sup>: 156.6 mg, 79% yield. Yellow solid. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)**:  $\delta$  7.57–7.52 (m, 2H), 7.42–7.30 (m, 3H), 7.19–7.12 (m, 1H), 7.04–6.96 (m, 2H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 2.44 (s, 3H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)**:  $\delta$  159.0, 140.7, 138.2, 133.8, 128.6, 128.1, 127.5, 127.4, 123.8, 114.0, 55.2, 21.5 ppm. **IR (KBr, neat)**:  $\nu = 3145, 2980, 1608, 1522, 1486, 1297, 1186, 843, 693$  cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS (m/z)**: calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>15</sub>O [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 199.1117, found: 199.1120.



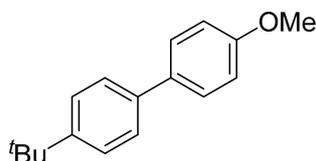
**4-Methoxy-4'-methyl-1,1'-biphenyl (4f)**<sup>[1]</sup>: 162.6 mg, 82% yield. White solid. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)**:  $\delta$  7.59–7.54 (m, 2H), 7.53–7.48 (m, 2H), 7.31–7.26 (m, 2H), 7.05–6.99 (m, 2H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 2.44 (s, 3H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)**:  $\delta$  158.9, 137.9, 136.3, 133.7, 129.4, 127.9, 126.5, 114.1, 55.3, 21.0 ppm. **IR (KBr, neat)**:  $\nu$  = 3360, 2870, 1610, 1502, 1290, 1188, 1044, 848, 697 cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS (m/z)**: calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>15</sub>O [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 199.1117, found: 199.1121.



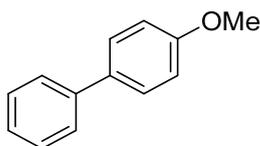
**6-(*p*-Tolyl)-2,3-dihydrobenzo[*b*][1,4]dioxine (4g)**<sup>[8]</sup>: 168.9 mg, 74% yield. White solid. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)**:  $\delta$  7.42–7.34 (m, 3H), 7.20–7.12 (m, 3H), 6.99 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 3.8 Hz, 1H), 4.31 (s, 4H), 2.46 (d, *J* = 0.7 Hz, 3H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)**:  $\delta$  143.6, 142.9, 137.7, 136.5, 134.8, 129.4, 126.6, 119.9, 117.5, 115.6, 64.4, 64.3, 21.0 ppm. **IR (KBr, neat)**:  $\nu$  = 3320, 2925, 1594, 1493, 1319, 1248, 1077, 902, 797 cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS (m/z)**: calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>15</sub>O<sub>2</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 227.1067, found: 227.1065.



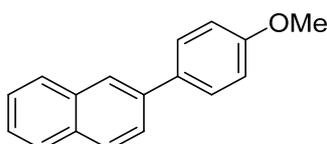
**6-(*m*-Tolyl)-2,3-dihydrobenzo[*b*][1,4]dioxine (4h)**: 168.3 mg, 74% yield. White solid. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)**:  $\delta$  7.44–7.33 (m, 3H), 7.21–7.11 (m, 3H), 6.99 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 3.8 Hz, 1H), 4.31 (s, 4H), 2.46 (s, 3H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)**:  $\delta$  143.6, 143.1, 140.5, 138.2, 134.9, 128.6, 127.5, 126.7, 123.8, 120.1, 117.4, 115.8, 64.4, 64.3, 21.5 ppm. **IR (KBr, neat)**:  $\nu$  = 3310, 2878, 1588, 1492, 1313, 1252, 1073, 895, 789 cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS (m/z)**: calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>15</sub>O<sub>2</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 227.1067, found: 227.1062.



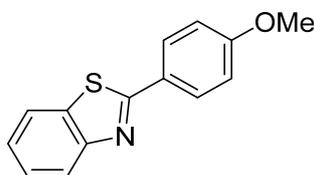
**4-(*tert*-Butyl)-4'-methoxy-1,1'-biphenyl (4i)**<sup>[1]</sup>: 132.2 mg, 55% yield. White solid. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)**:  $\delta$  7.55 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 1.5 Hz, 4H), 7.49 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 1.4 Hz, 2H), 7.03–6.99 (m, 2H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 1.41 (s, 9H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)**:  $\delta$  158.9, 149.5, 137.9, 133.6, 128.0, 126.3, 125.6, 114.1, 55.3, 34.4, 31.3 ppm. **IR (KBr, neat)**:  $\nu$  = 3329, 2931, 2876, 1609, 1507, 1397, 1295, 1197, 829 cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS (m/z)**: calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>21</sub>O [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 241.1587, found: 241.1590.



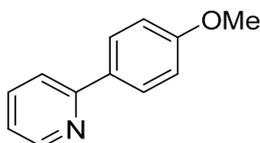
**4-Methoxy-1,1'-biphenyl (4j)**<sup>[1]</sup>: 104.9 mg, 57% yield. White solid. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)**:  $\delta$  7.61–7.53 (m, 4H), 7.47–7.40 (m, 2H), 7.35–7.29 (m, 1H), 7.03–6.97 (m, 2H), 3.87 (s, 3H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)**:  $\delta$  159.1, 140.8, 133.8, 128.7, 128.1, 126.7, 126.6, 114.2, 55.3 ppm. **IR (KBr, neat)**:  $\nu$  = 3032, 2835, 1605, 1487, 1270, 1034, 833, 759, 571, 490 cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS (m/z)**: calcd for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>13</sub>O [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 185.0961, found: 185.0960.



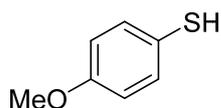
**2-(4-Methoxyphenyl)naphthalene (4k)**<sup>[3]</sup>: 100.7 mg, 43% yield. White solid. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)**:  $\delta$  8.01 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.96–7.84 (m, 3H), 7.74 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.71–7.66 (m, 2H), 7.55–7.44 (m, 2H), 7.10–7.01 (m, 2H), 3.89 (s, 3H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)**:  $\delta$  159.2, 138.1, 133.7, 133.6, 132.3, 128.4, 128.3, 128.0, 127.6, 126.2, 125.6, 125.4, 125.0, 114.3, 55.3 ppm. **IR (KBr, neat)**:  $\nu$  = 2950, 2368, 1911, 1618, 1498, 1285, 1189, 816, 660 cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS (m/z)**: calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>15</sub>O [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 235.1117, found: 235.1119.



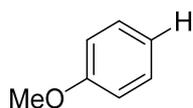
**2-(4-Methoxyphenyl)benzo[*d*]thiazole (4l)**<sup>[9]</sup>: 113.4 mg, 47% yield. Yellow solid. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)**:  $\delta$  7.60–7.56 (m, 2H), 7.55 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.47–7.40 (m, 2H), 7.35–7.30 (m, 1H), 7.03–6.96 (m, 2H), 3.87 (s, 3H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)**:  $\delta$  167.9, 161.9, 154.2, 134.8, 129.1, 126.4, 126.2, 124.8, 122.8, 121.5, 114.3, 55.4 ppm. **IR (KBr, neat)**:  $\nu$  = 3612, 2835, 1605, 1285, 1172, 833, 759, 553, 511 cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS (m/z)**: calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>12</sub>NOS [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 242.0634, found: 242.0638.



**2-(4-Methoxyphenyl)pyridine (4m)**<sup>[3]</sup>: 75.9 mg, 41% yield. White solid. **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)**:  $\delta$  8.65 (ddd, *J* = 4.9, 1.8, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.98–7.93 (m, 2H), 7.75–7.63 (m, 2H), 7.17 (ddd, *J* = 7.1, 4.9, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.05–6.96 (m, 2H), 3.86 (s, 3H) ppm. **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)**:  $\delta$  160.4, 157.0, 149.5, 136.7, 131.9, 128.1, 121.4, 119.8, 114.1, 55.3 ppm. **IR (KBr, neat)**:  $\nu$  = 3260, 2825, 1618, 1529, 1431, 1256, 1187, 838, 787 cm<sup>-1</sup>. **HRMS (m/z)**: calcd for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>12</sub>NO [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 186.0913, found: 186.0908.



**4-Methoxybenzenethiol (6):** 99.5 mg, 71% yield. Colorless oil.  $^1\text{H NMR}$  (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*):  $\delta$  7.31–7.25 (m, 2H), 6.85–6.79 (m, 2H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.40 (s, 1H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C NMR}$  (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*):  $\delta$  158.3, 132.2, 119.7, 114.6, 55.2 ppm.



**Anisole (7):** 37.8 mg, 70% yield. Colorless oil.  $^1\text{H NMR}$  (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*):  $\delta$  7.40–7.34 (m, 2H), 7.06–6.96 (m, 3H), 3.86 (s, 3H) ppm.  $^{13}\text{C NMR}$  (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*):  $\delta$  159.5, 129.4, 120.6, 113.8, 55.0 ppm.

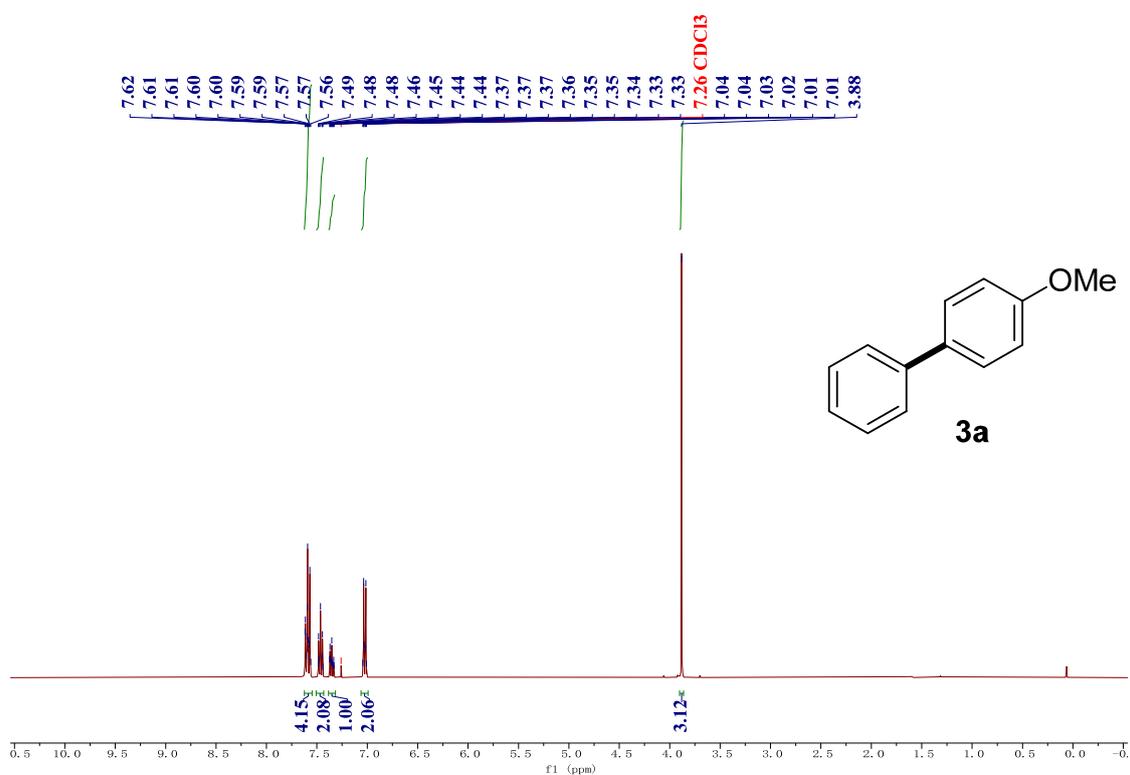
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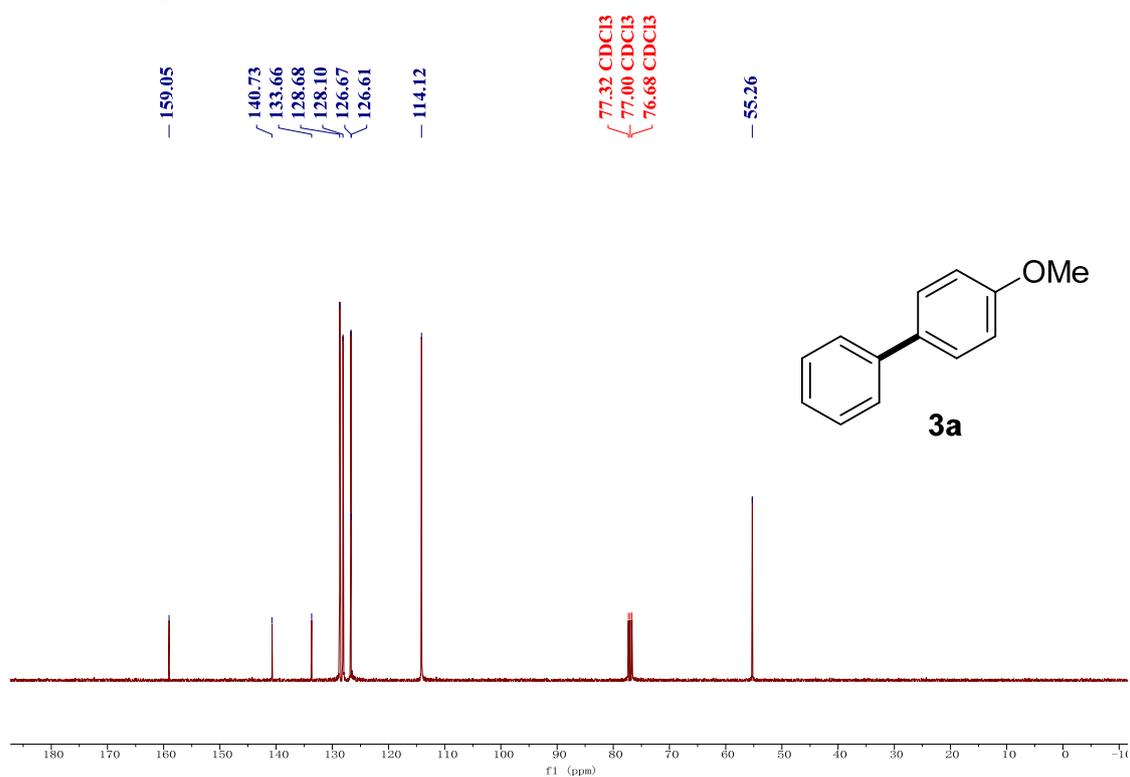
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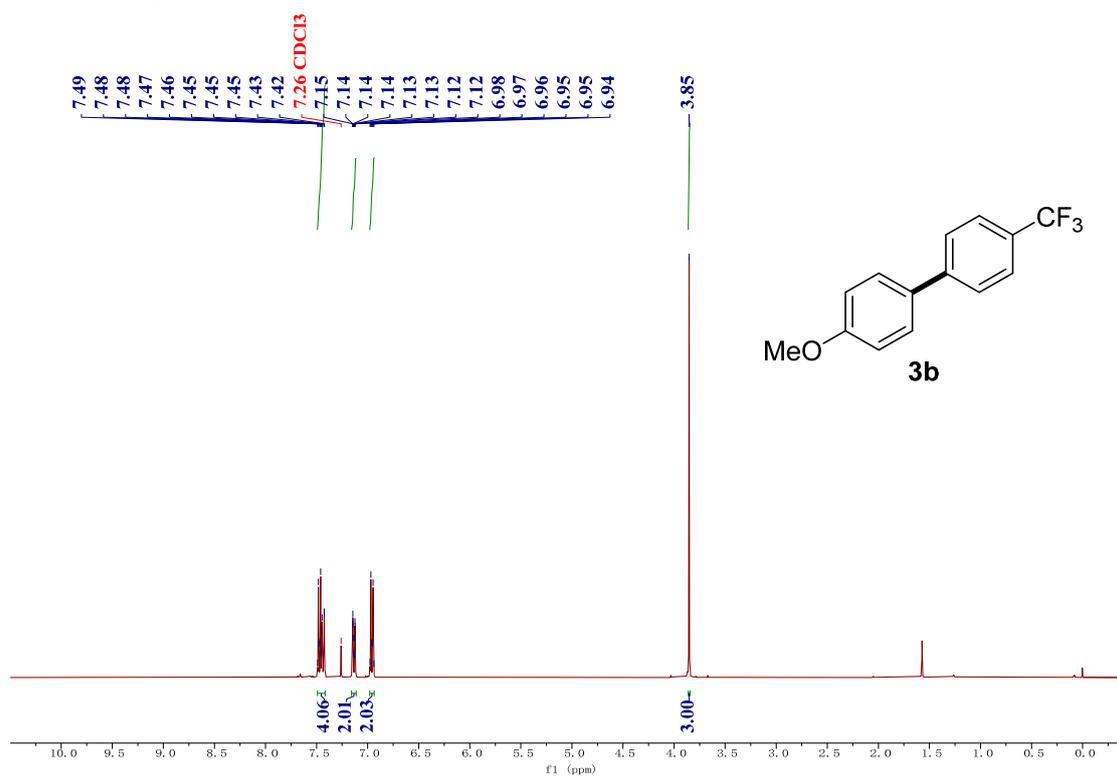
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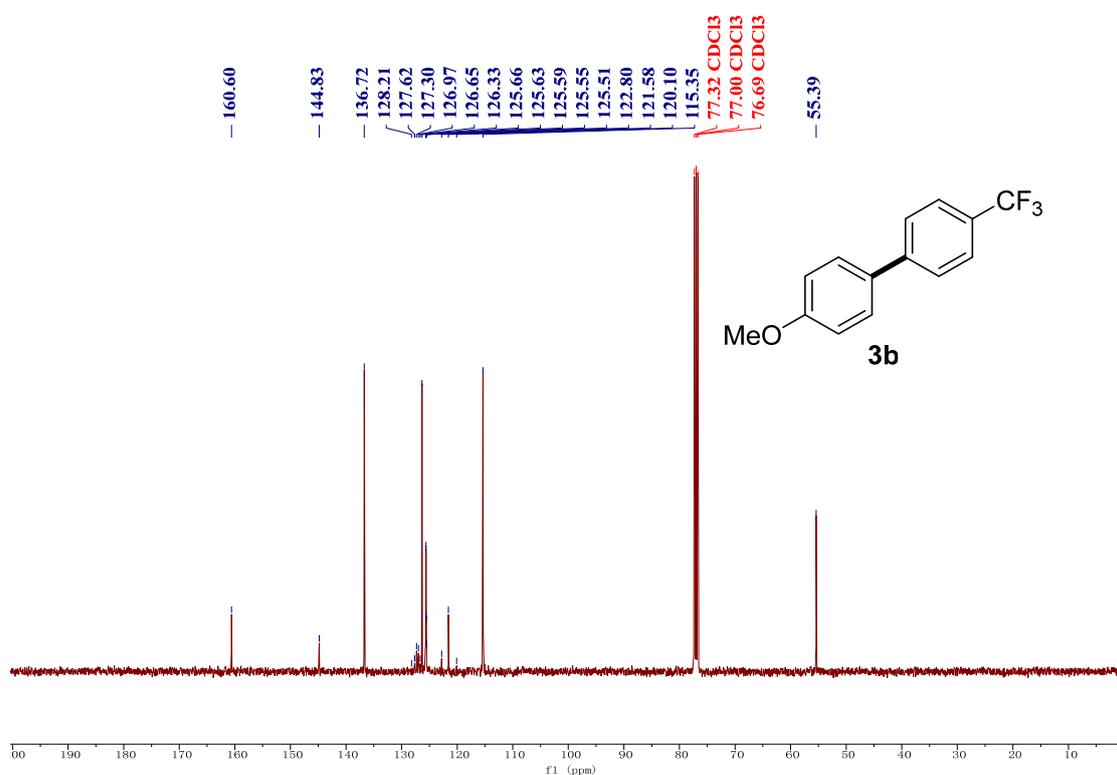
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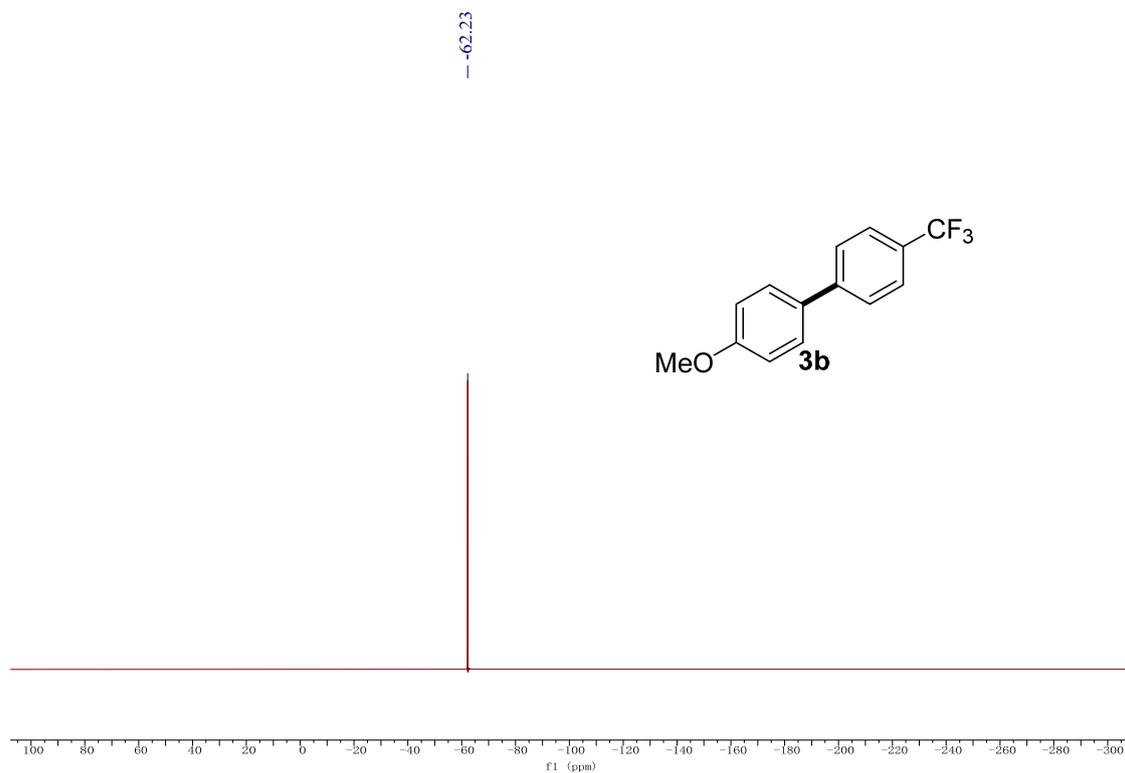
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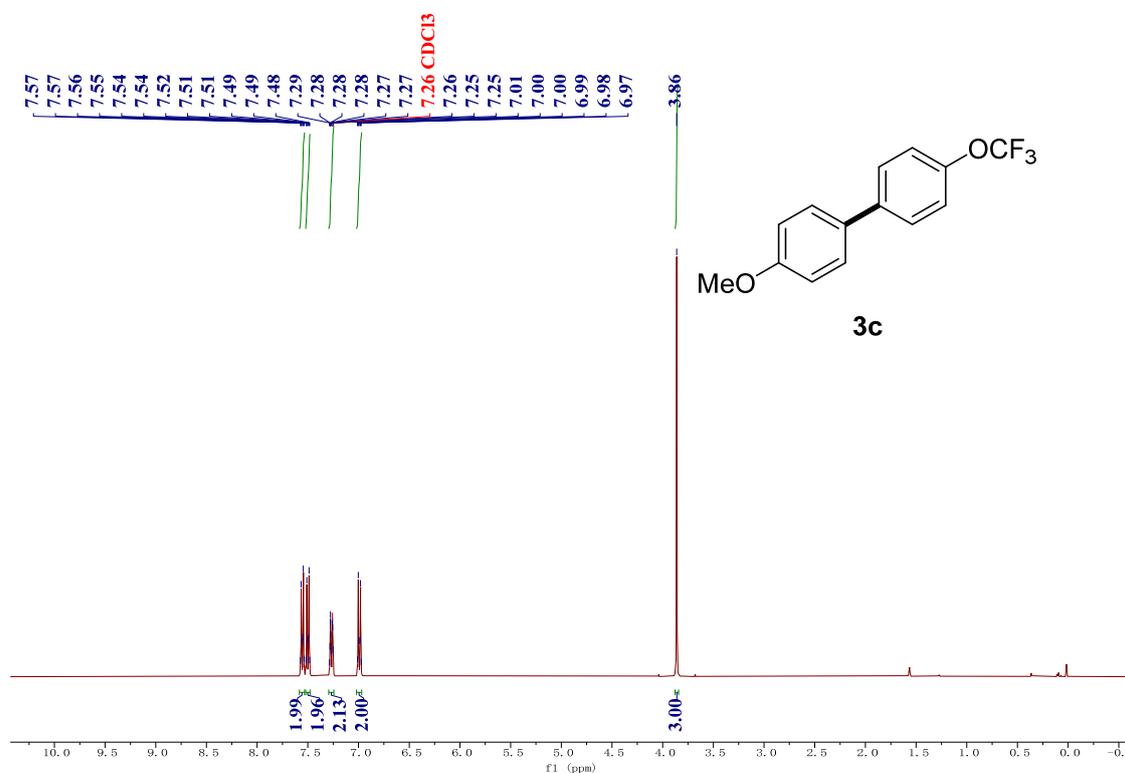
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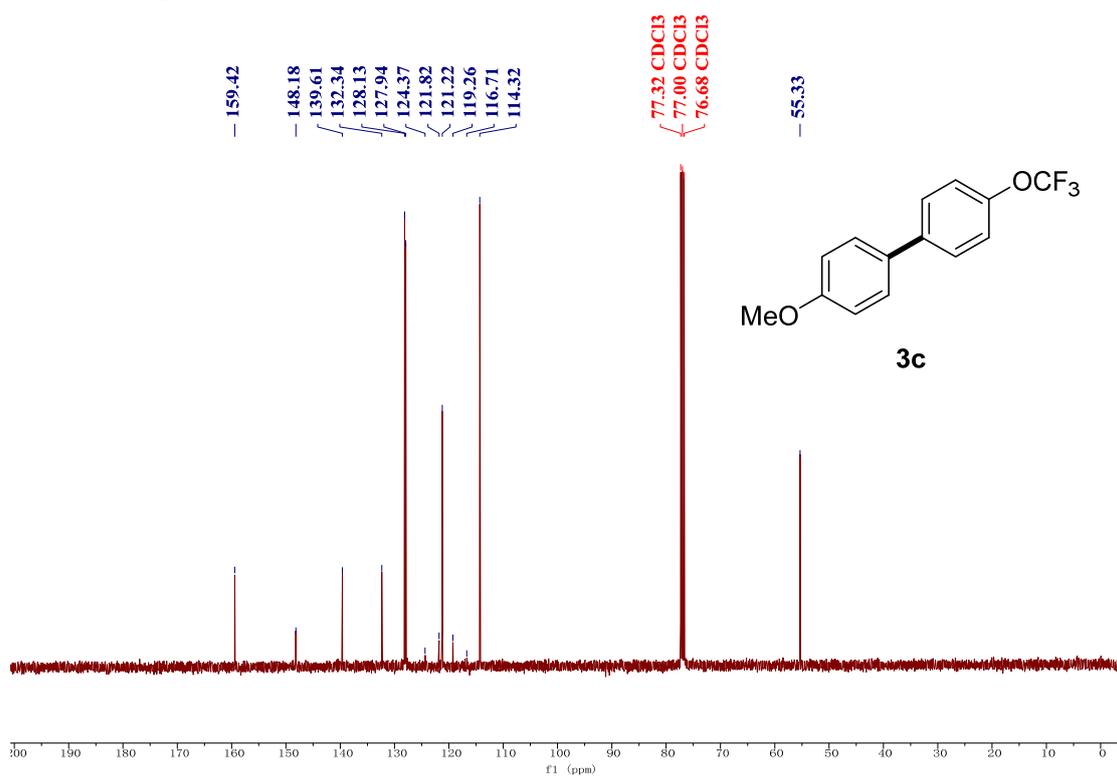
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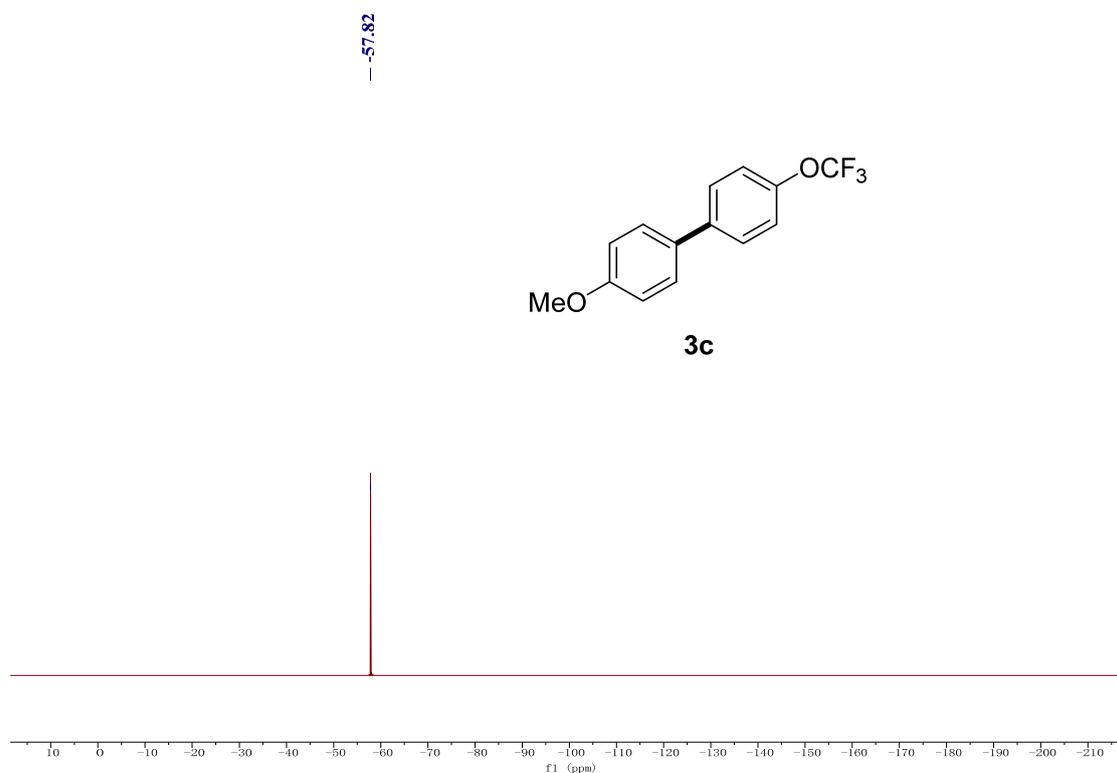
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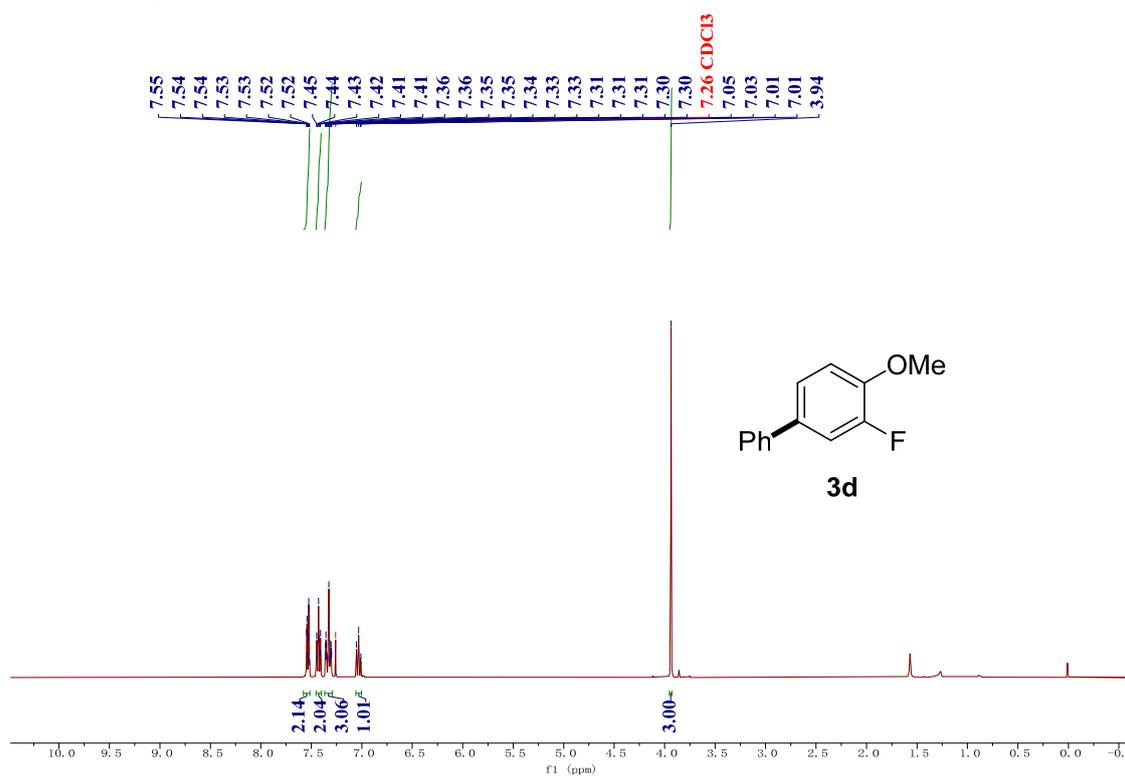
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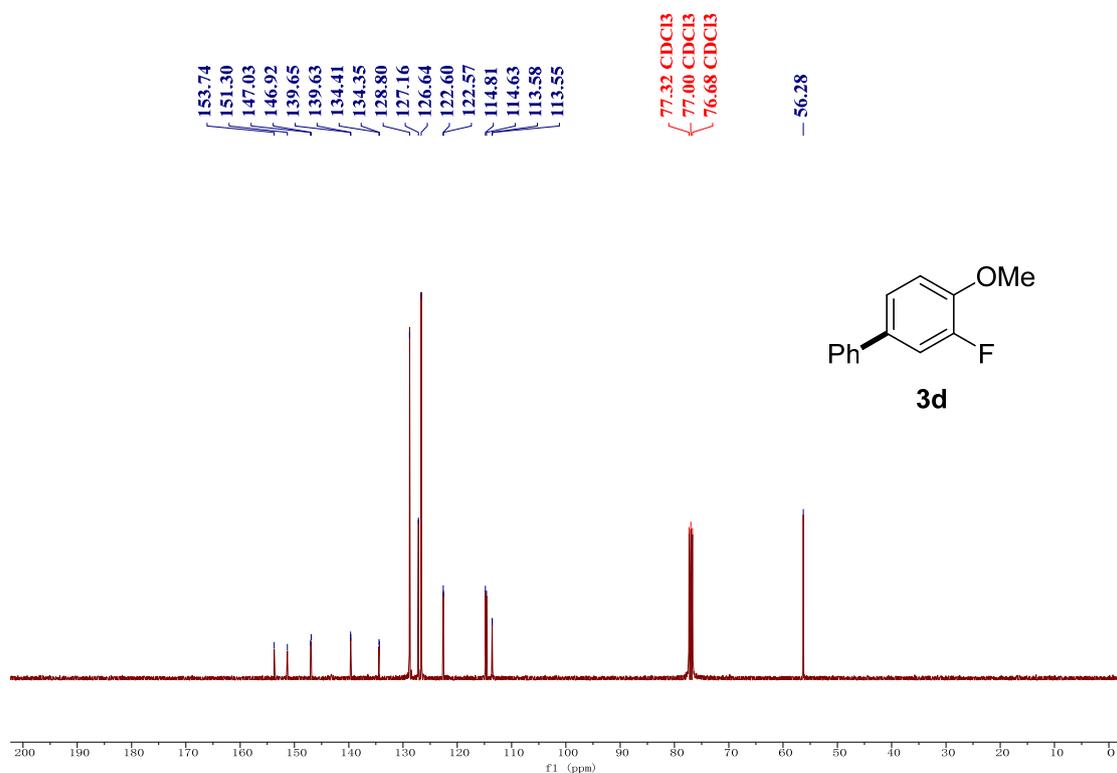
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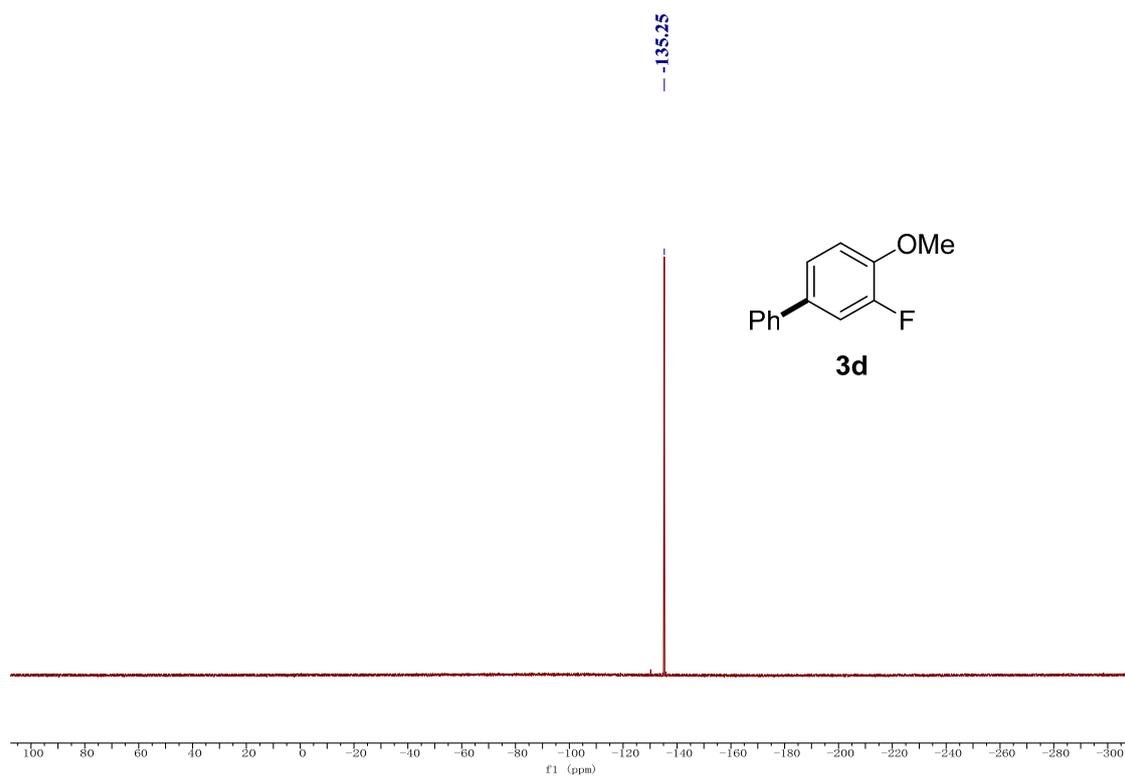
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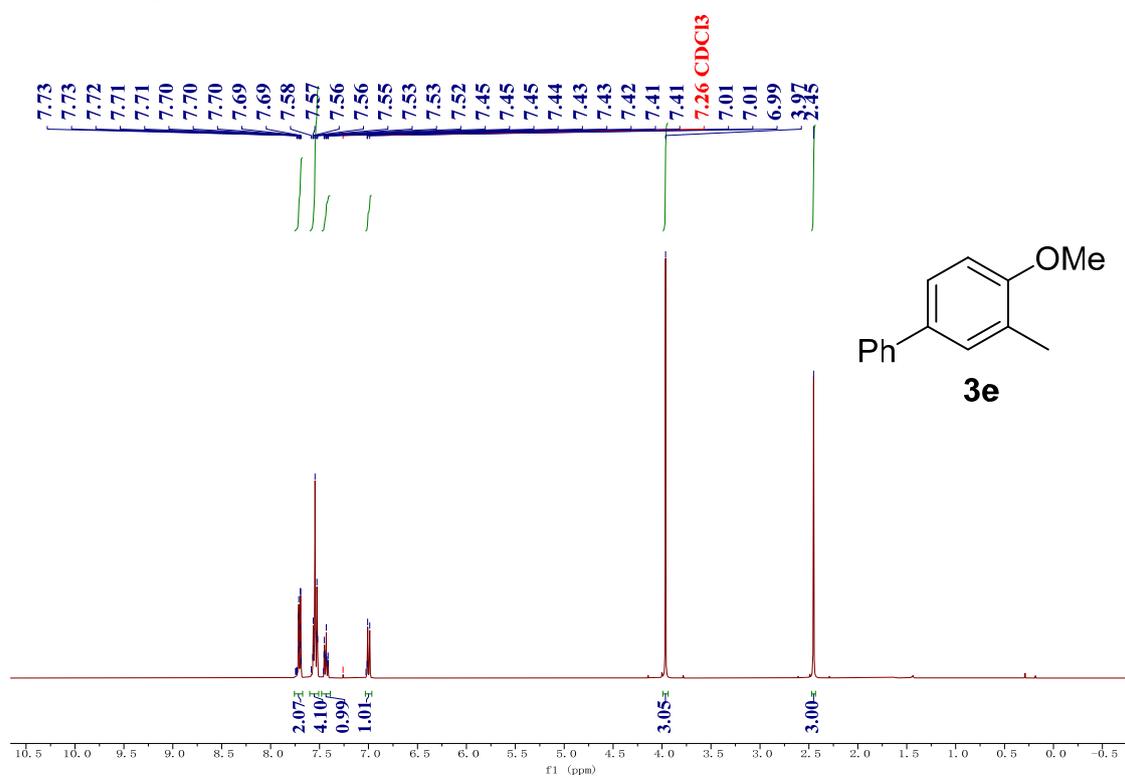
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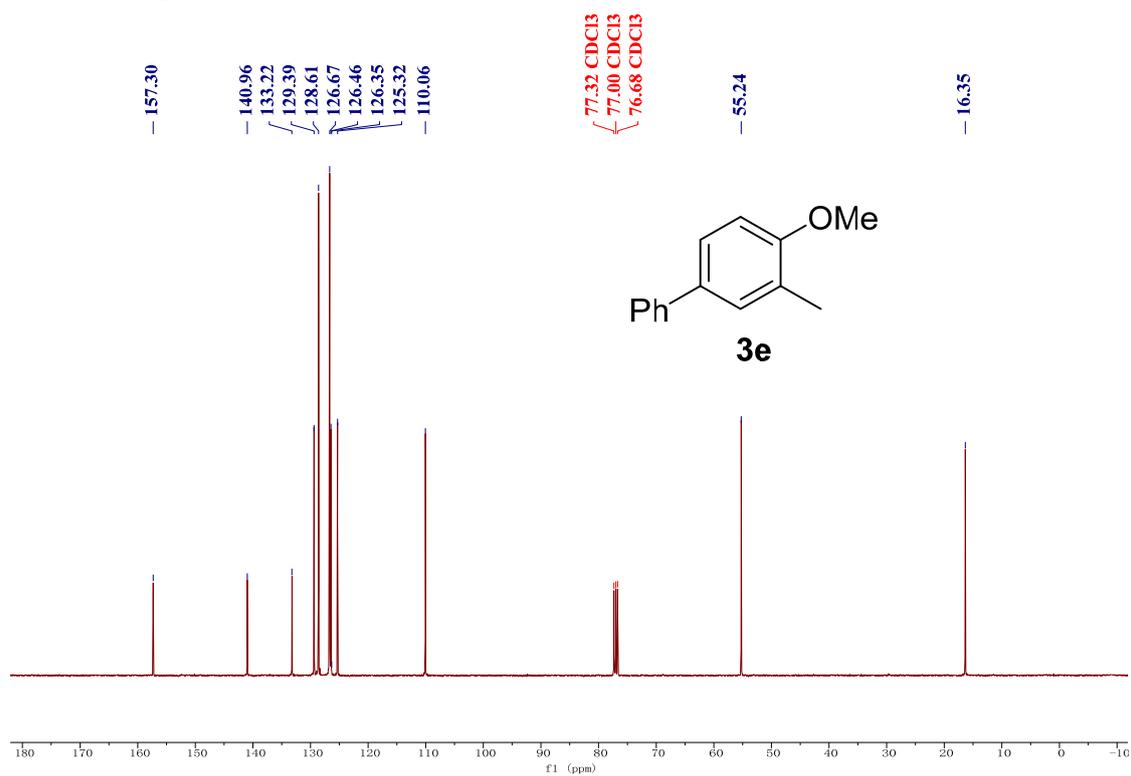
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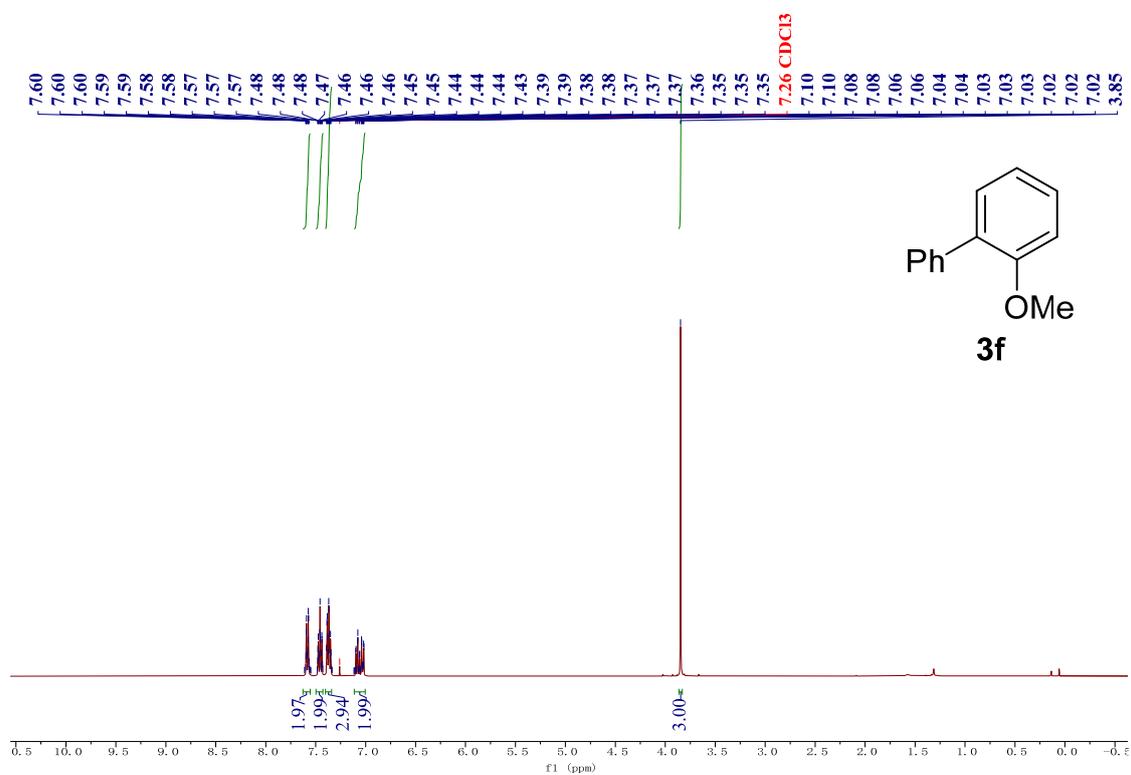
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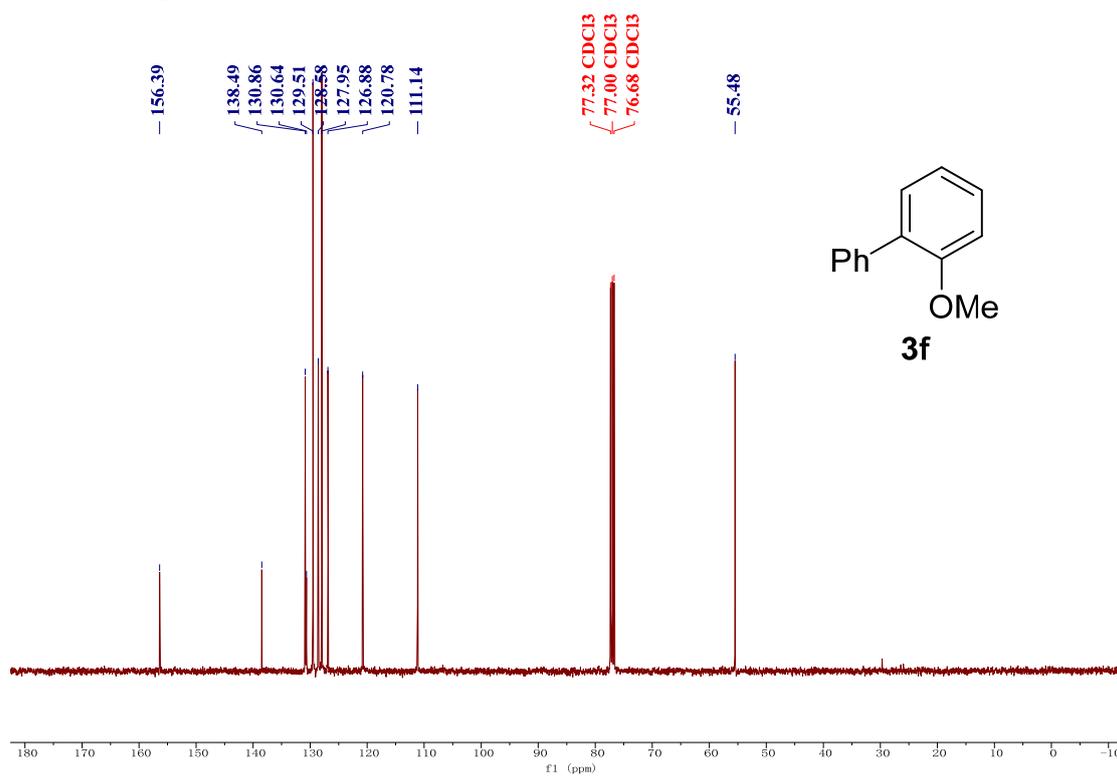
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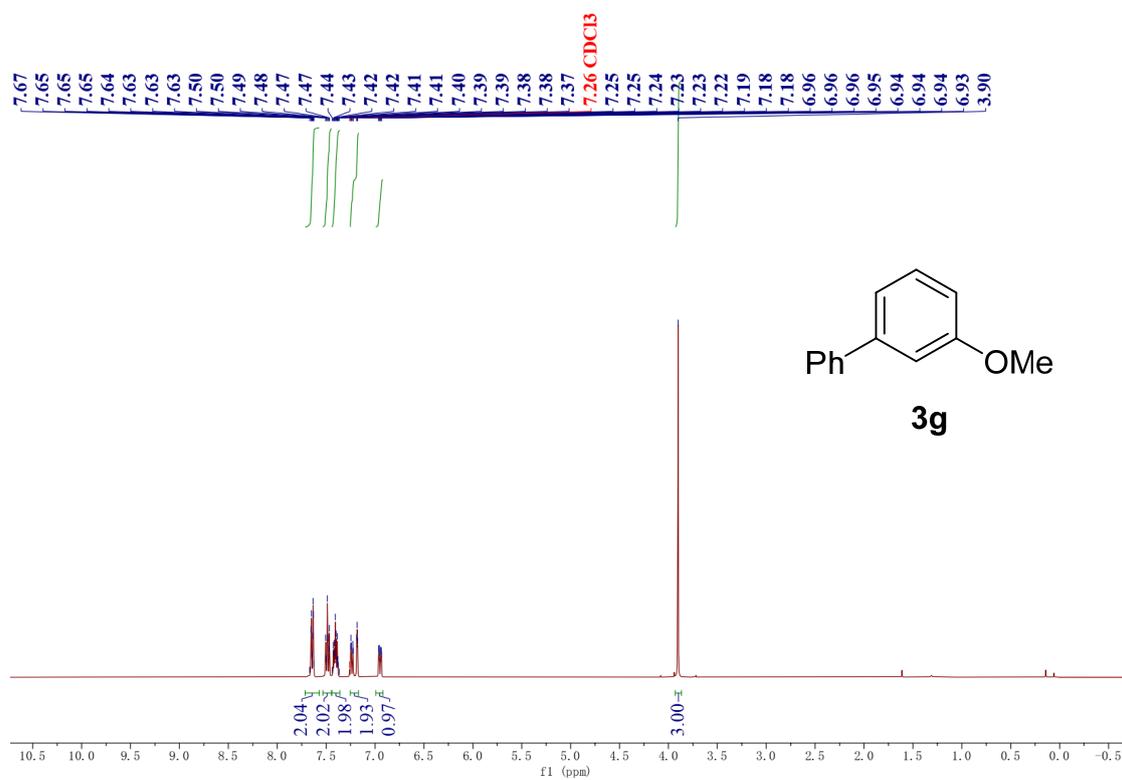
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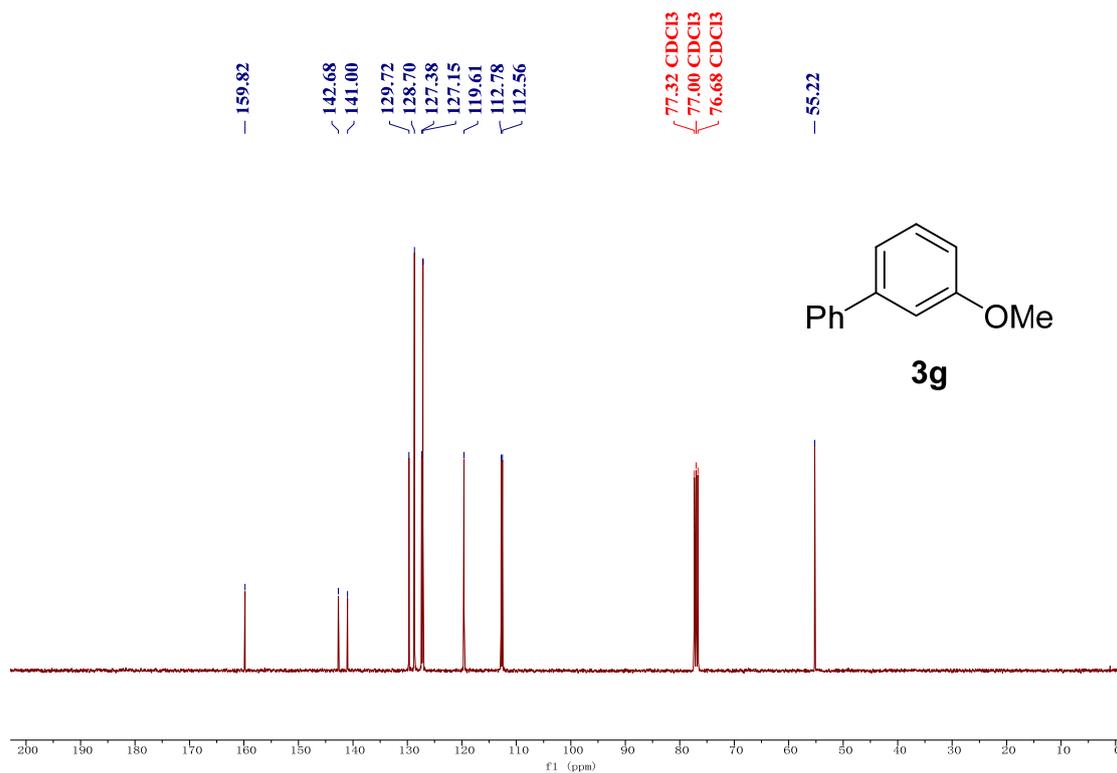
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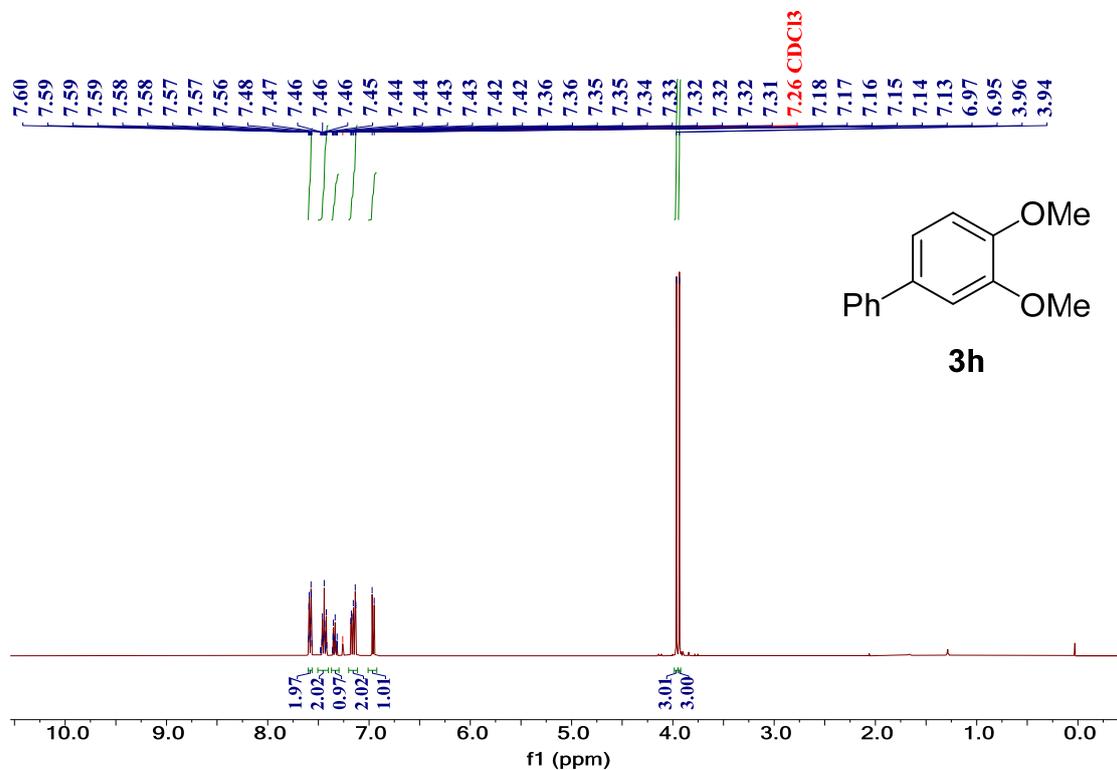
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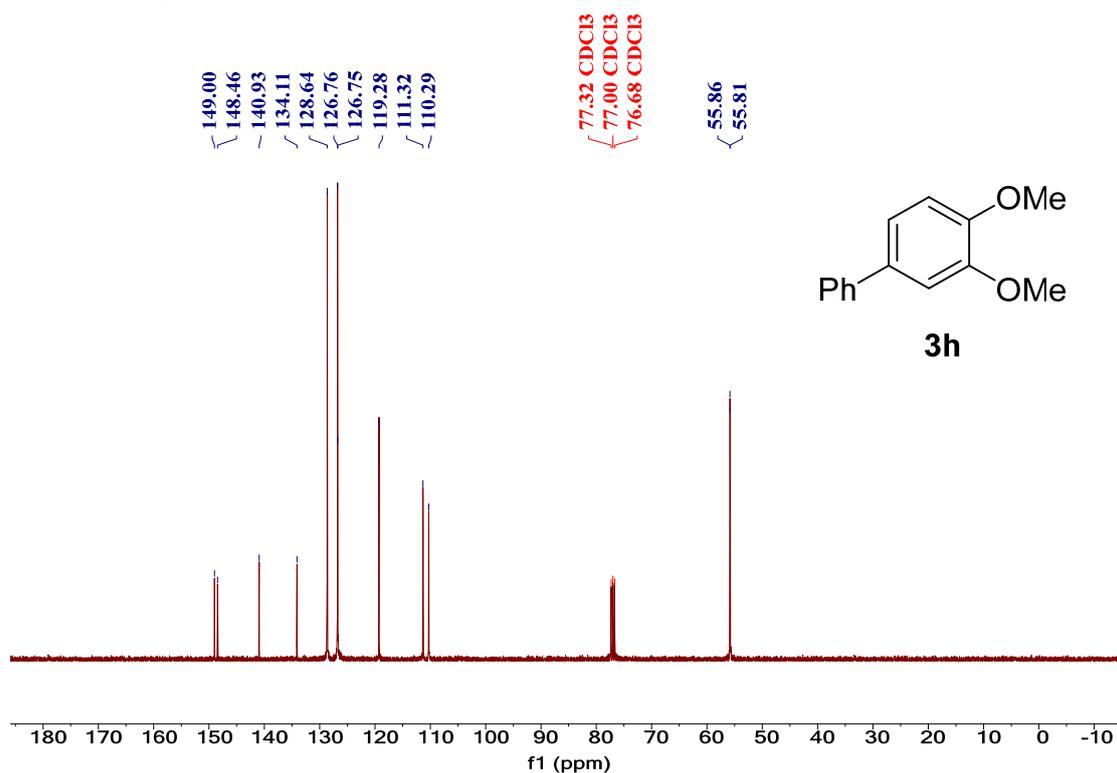
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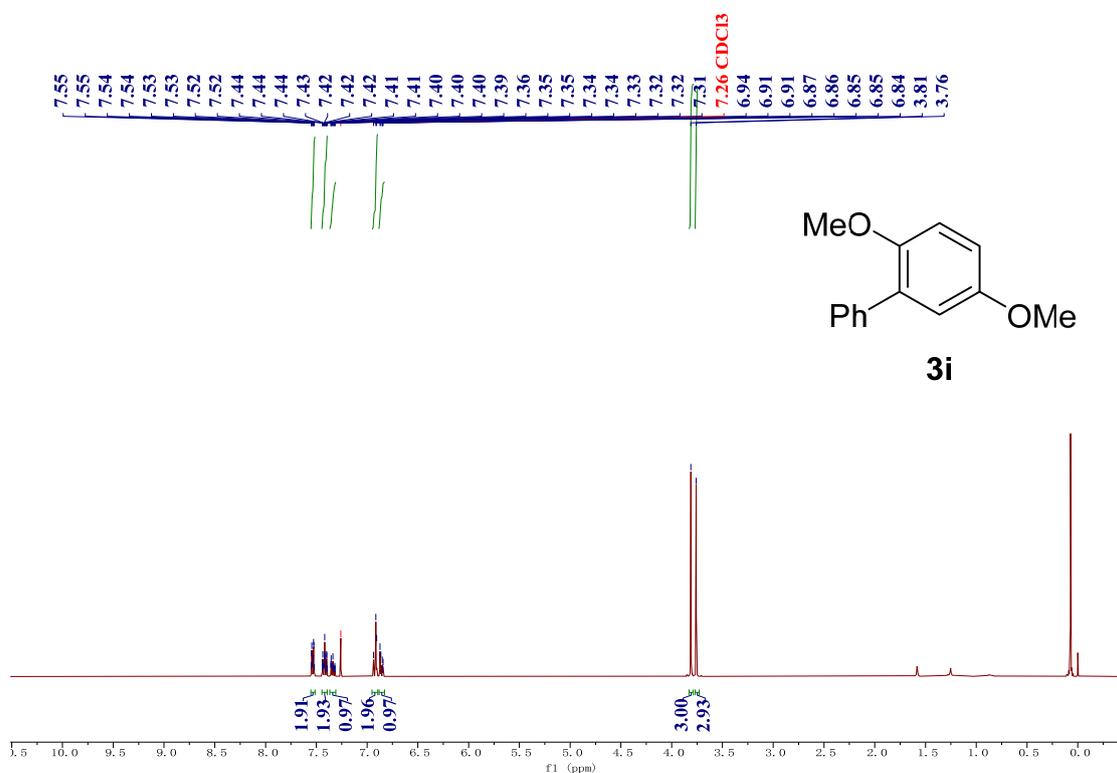
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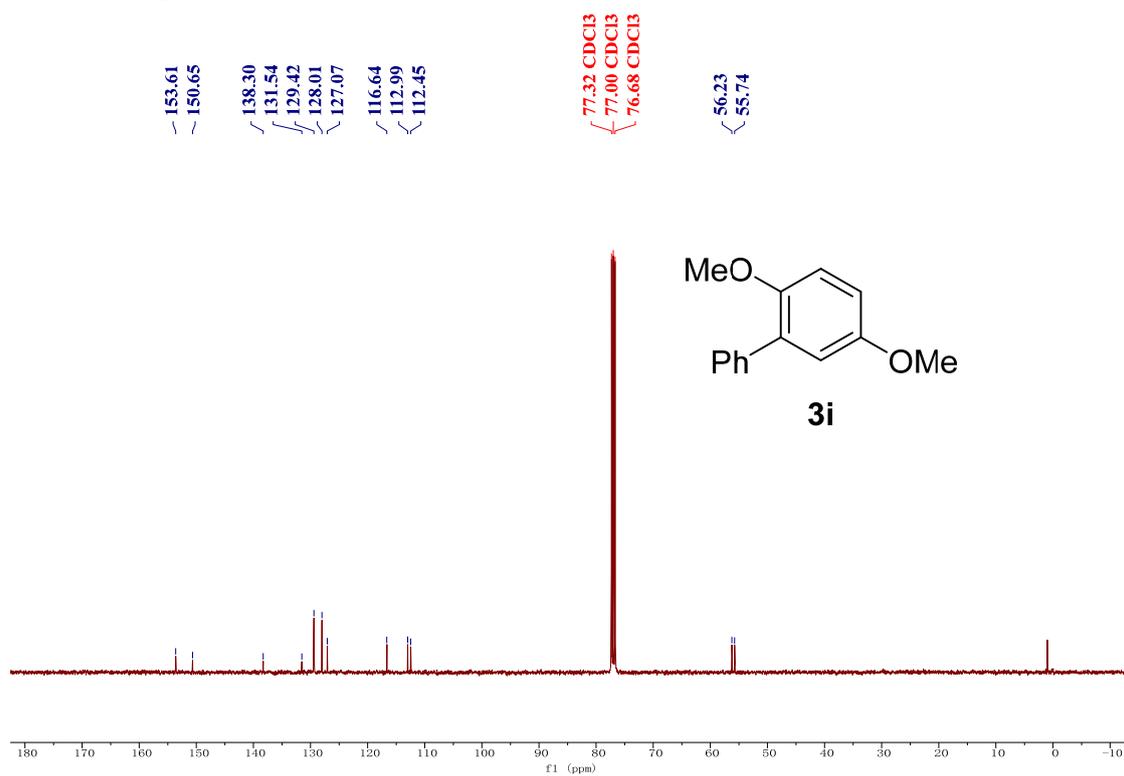
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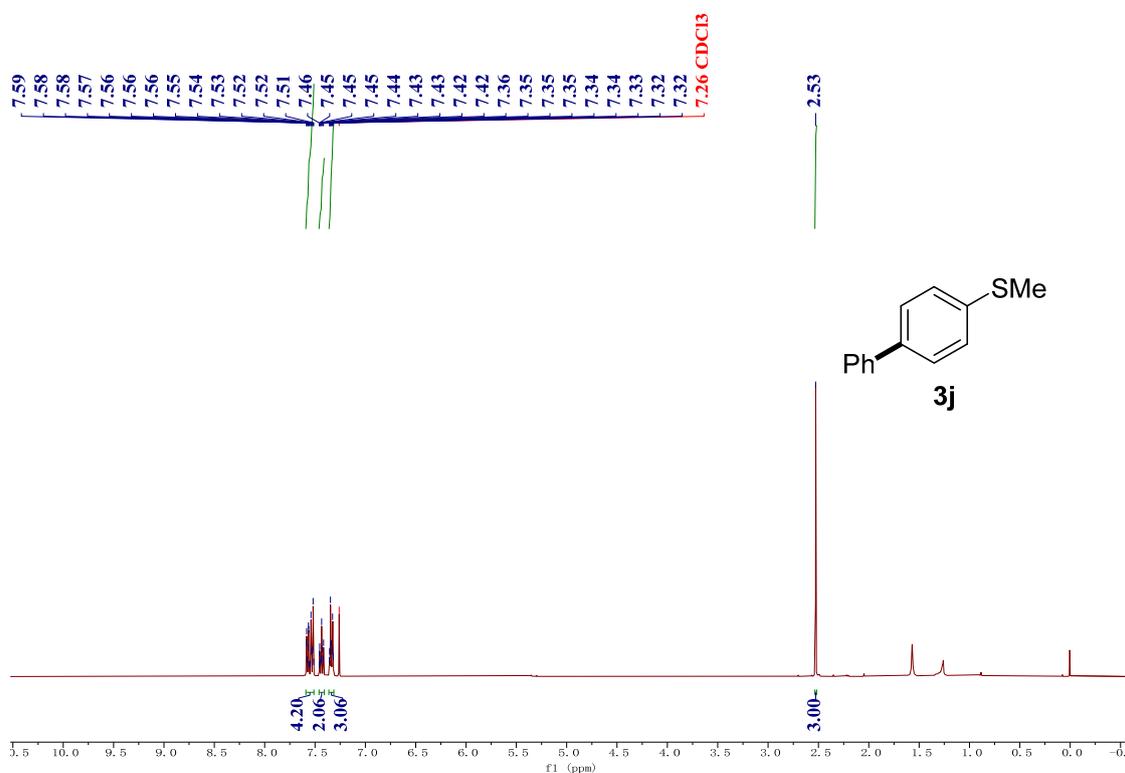
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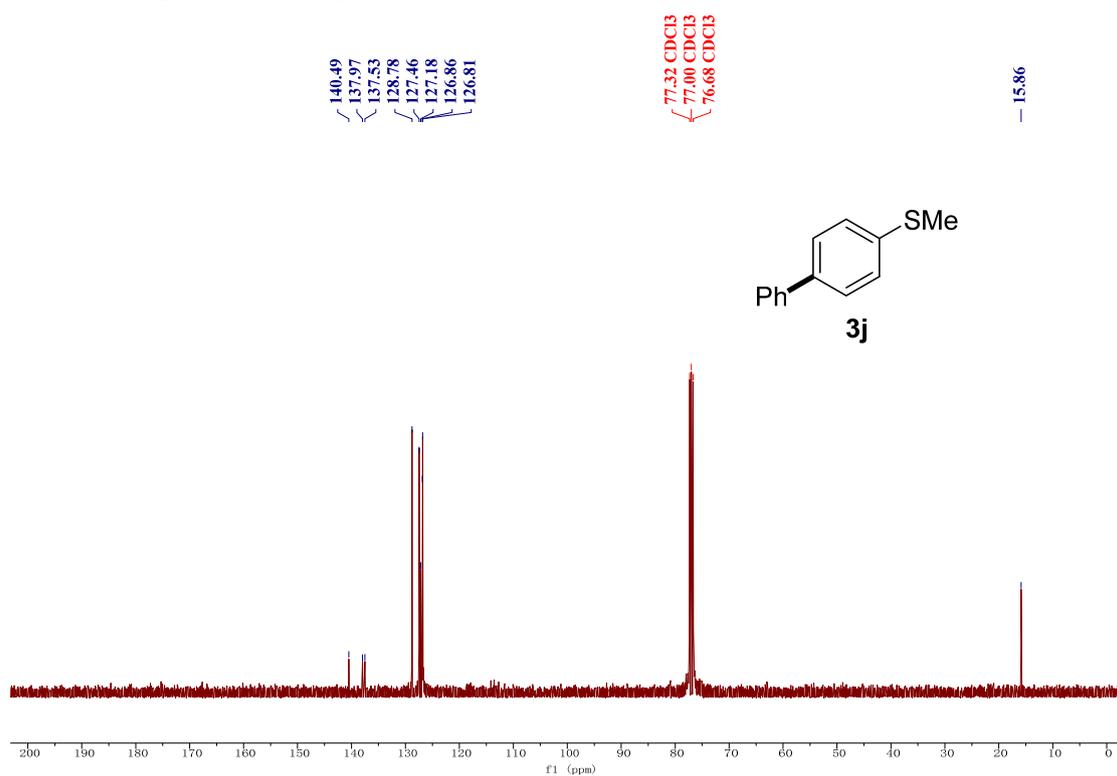
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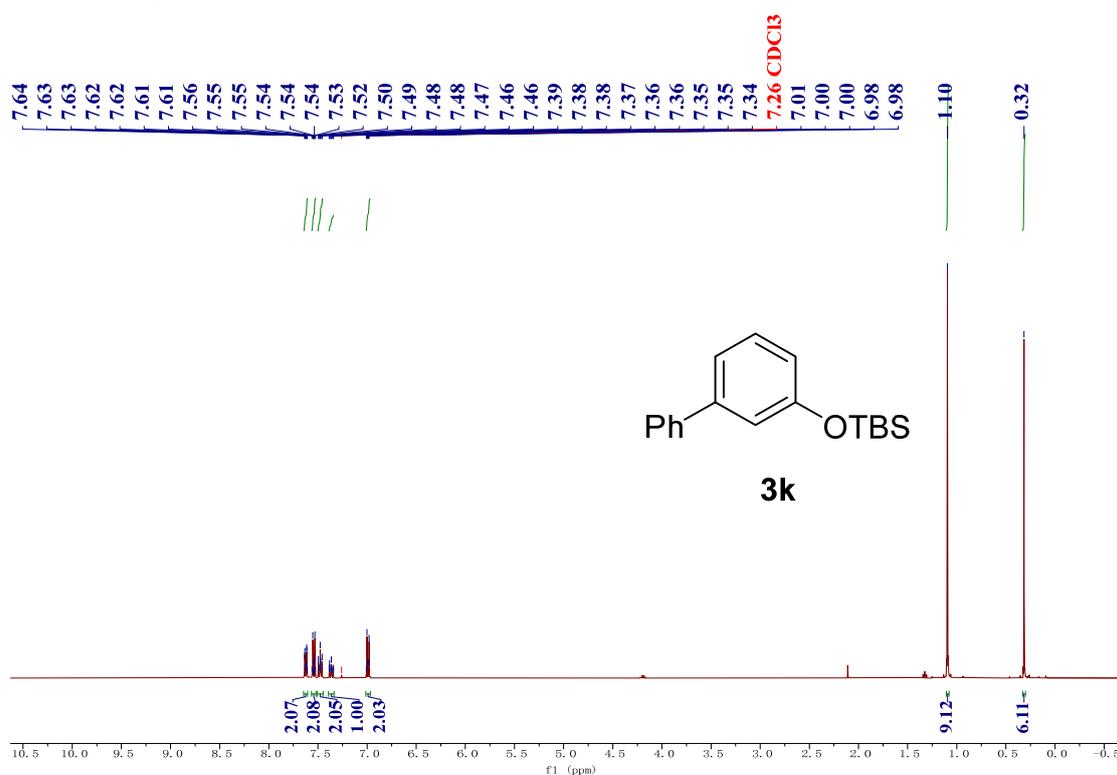
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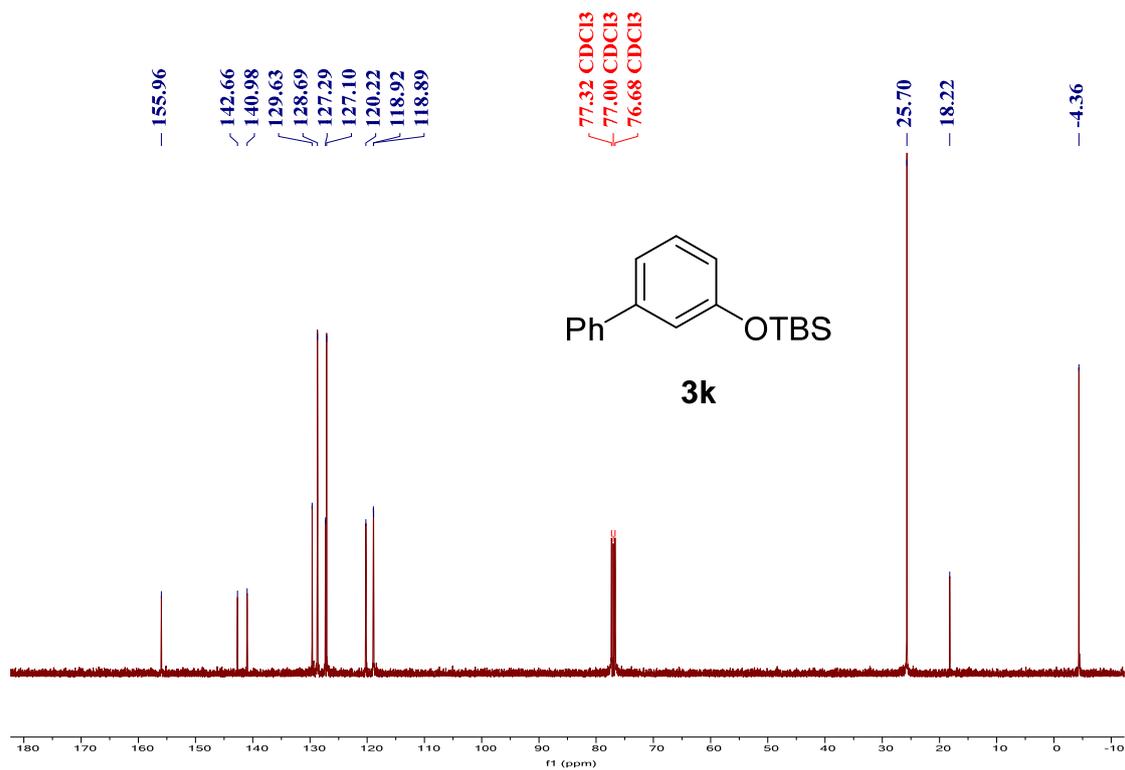
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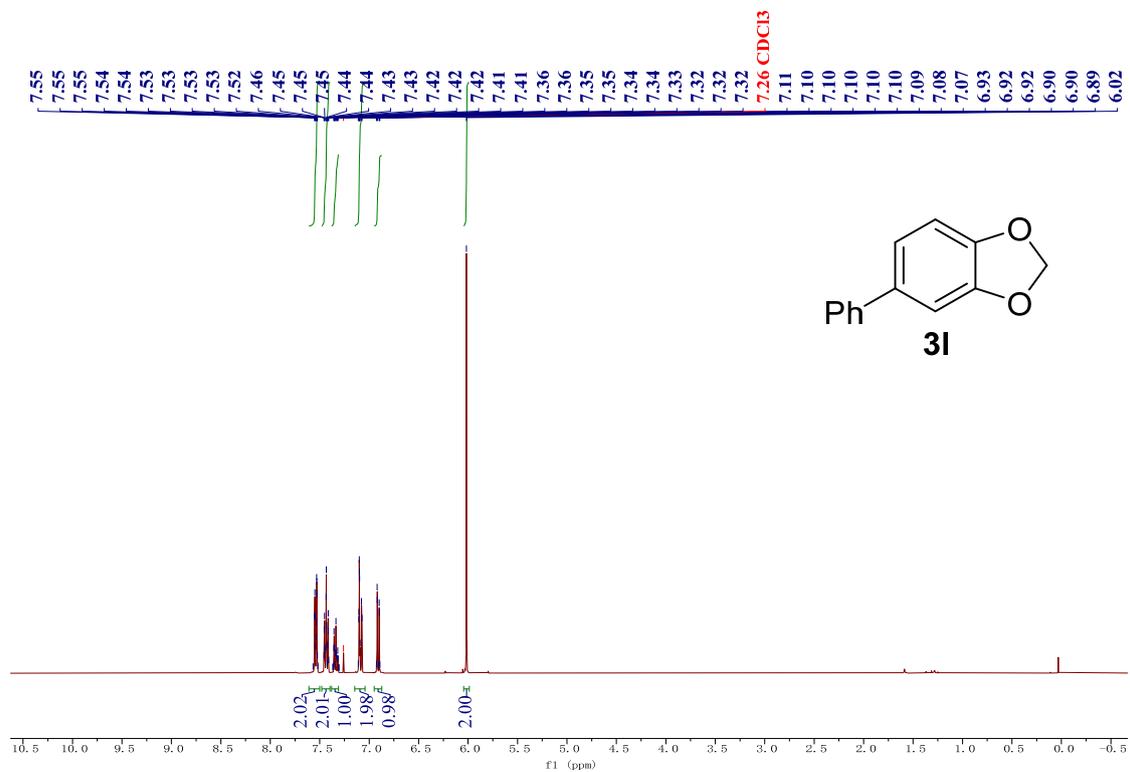
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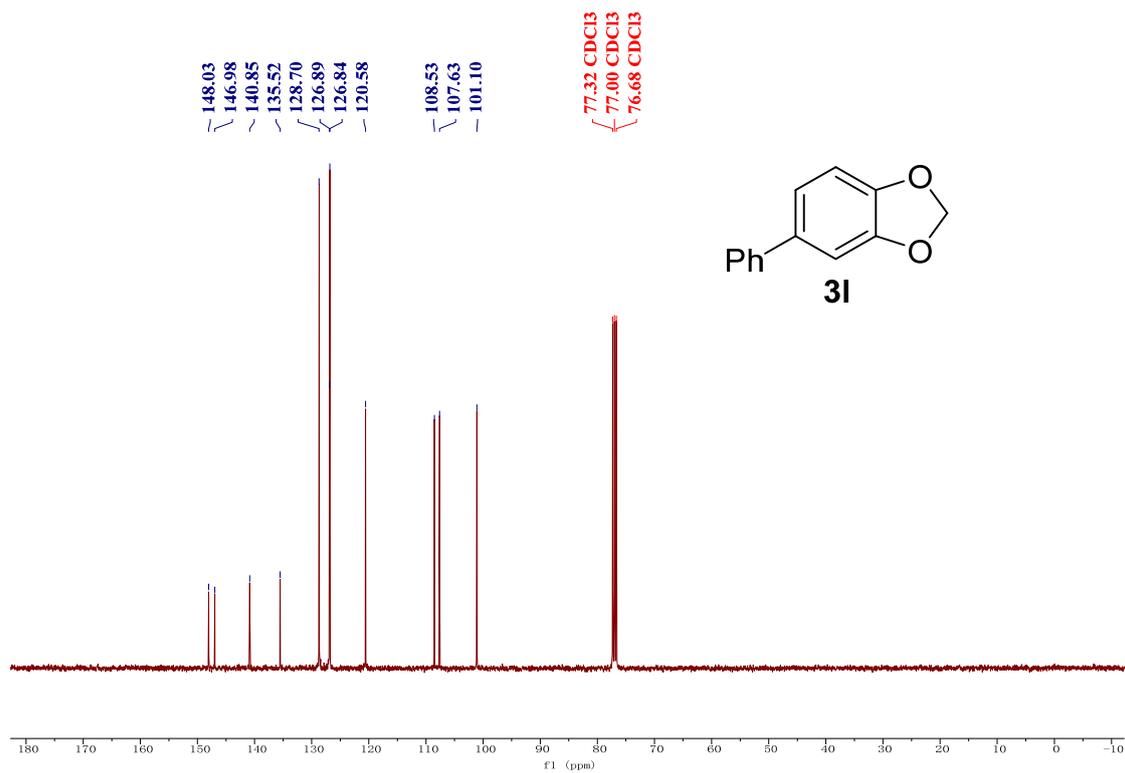
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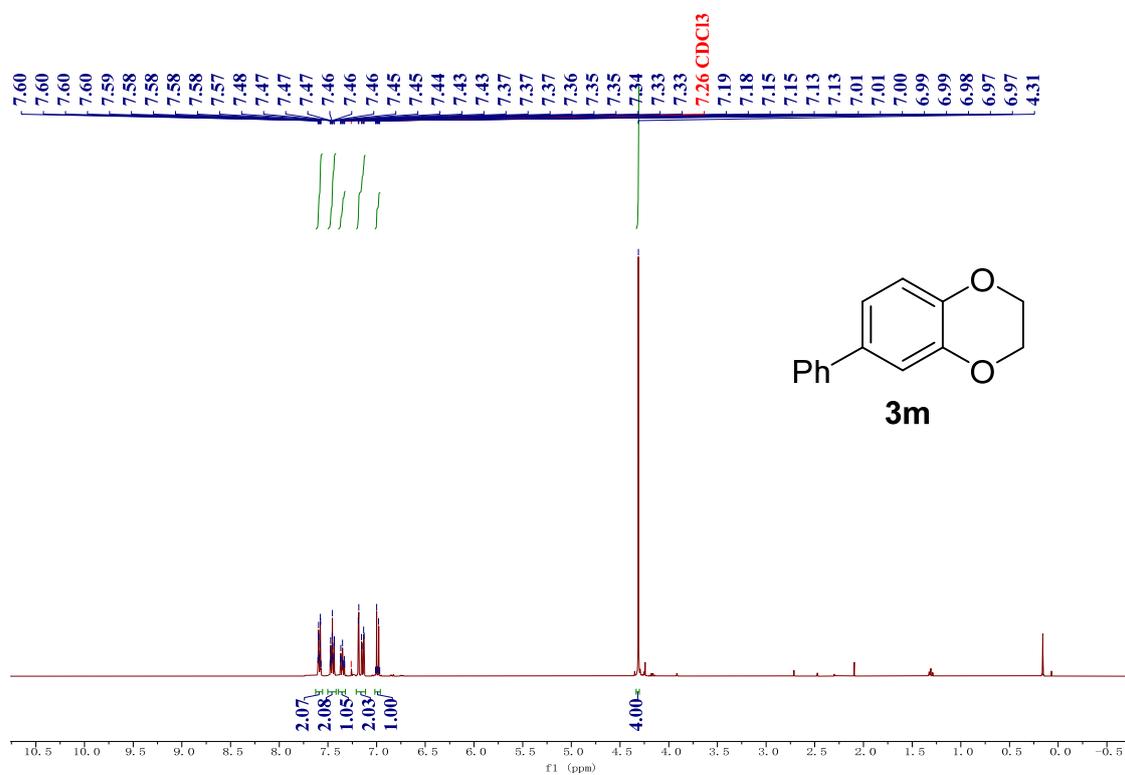
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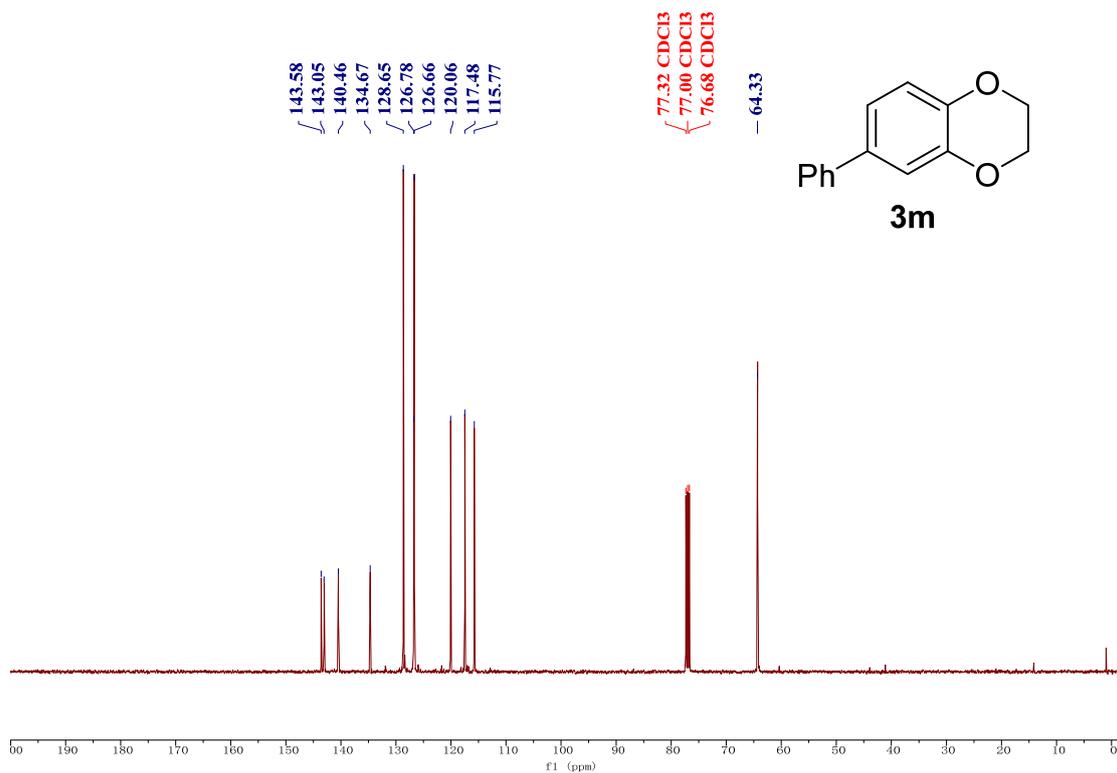
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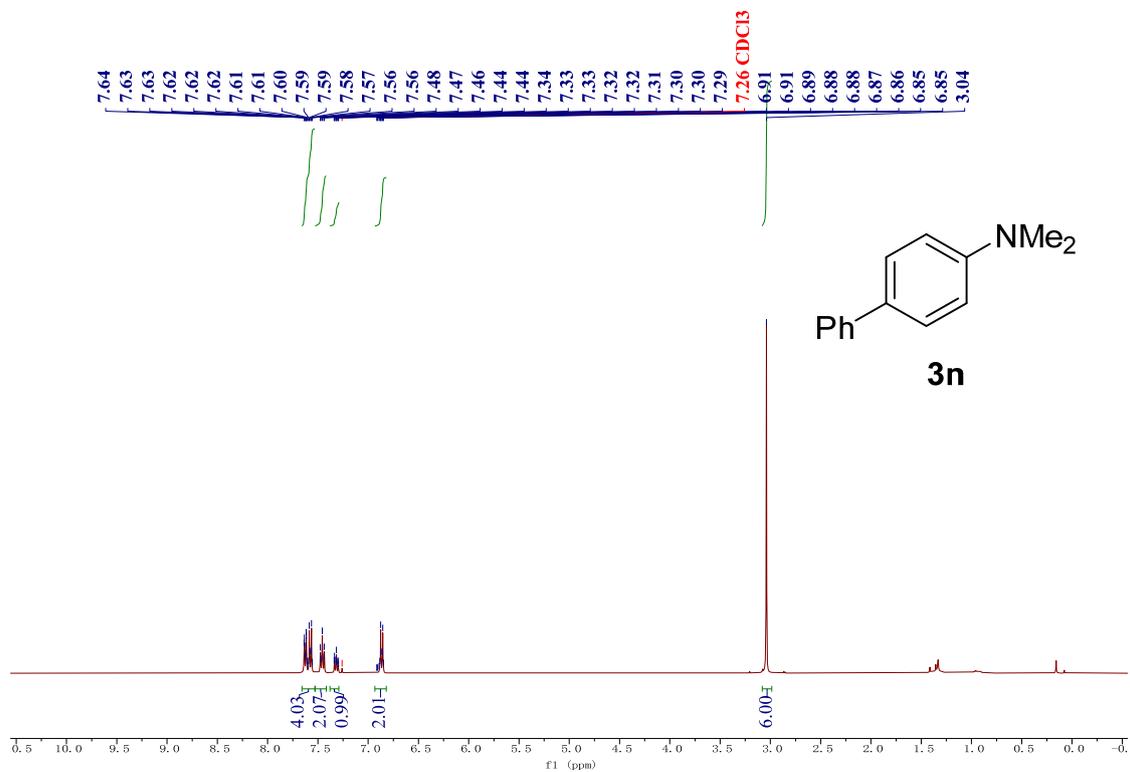
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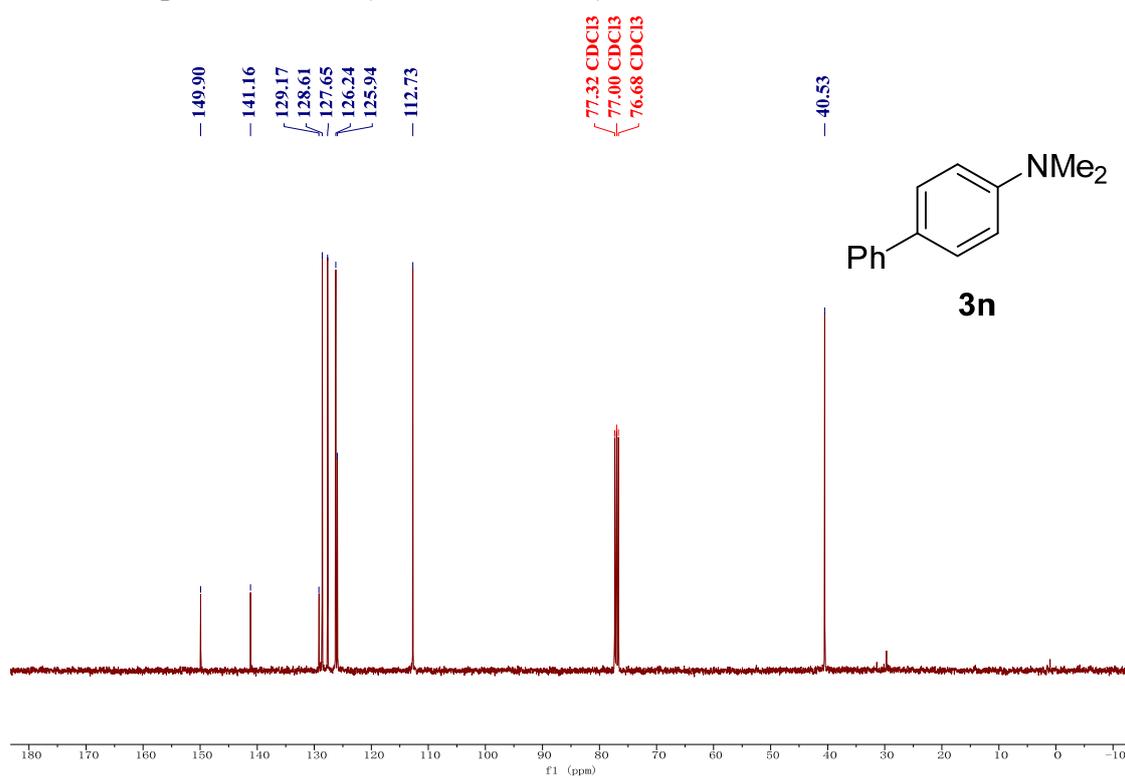
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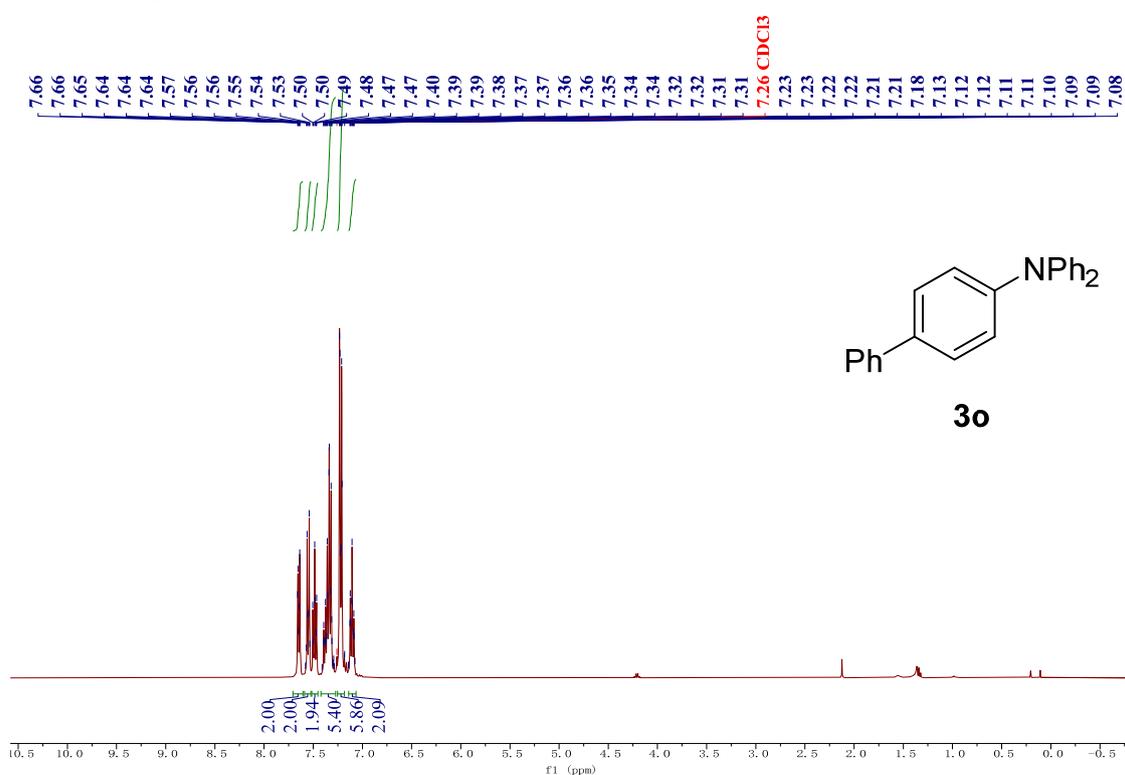
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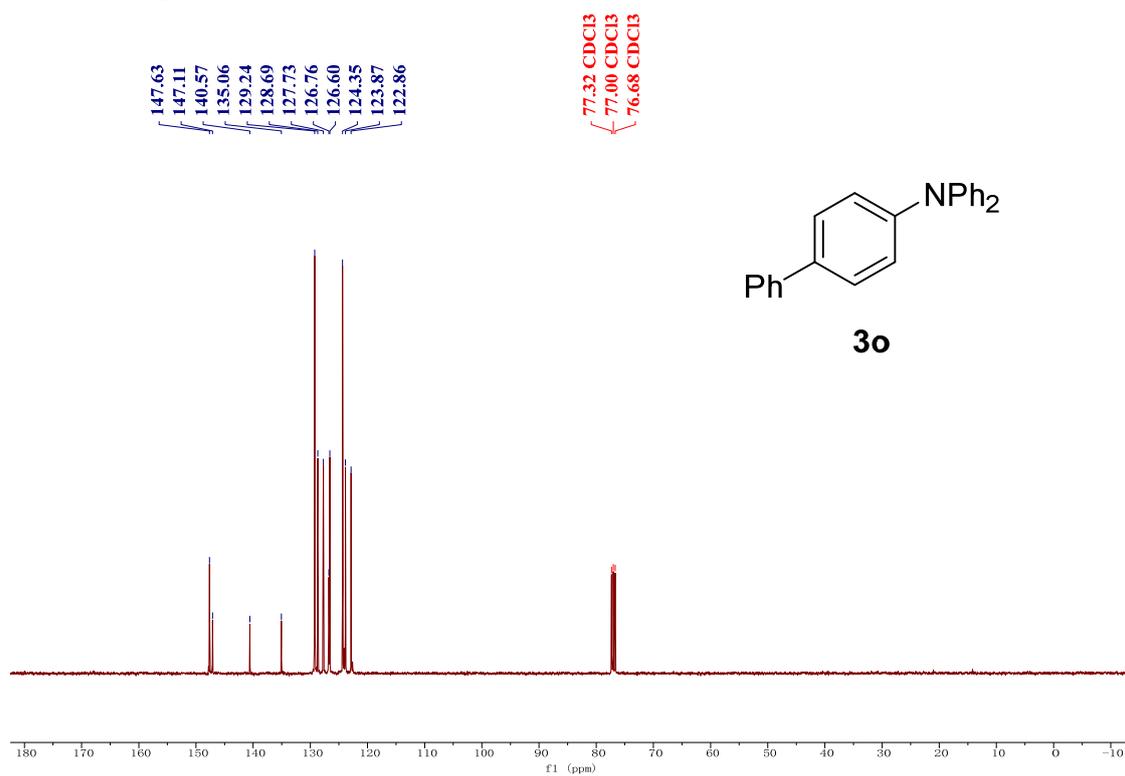
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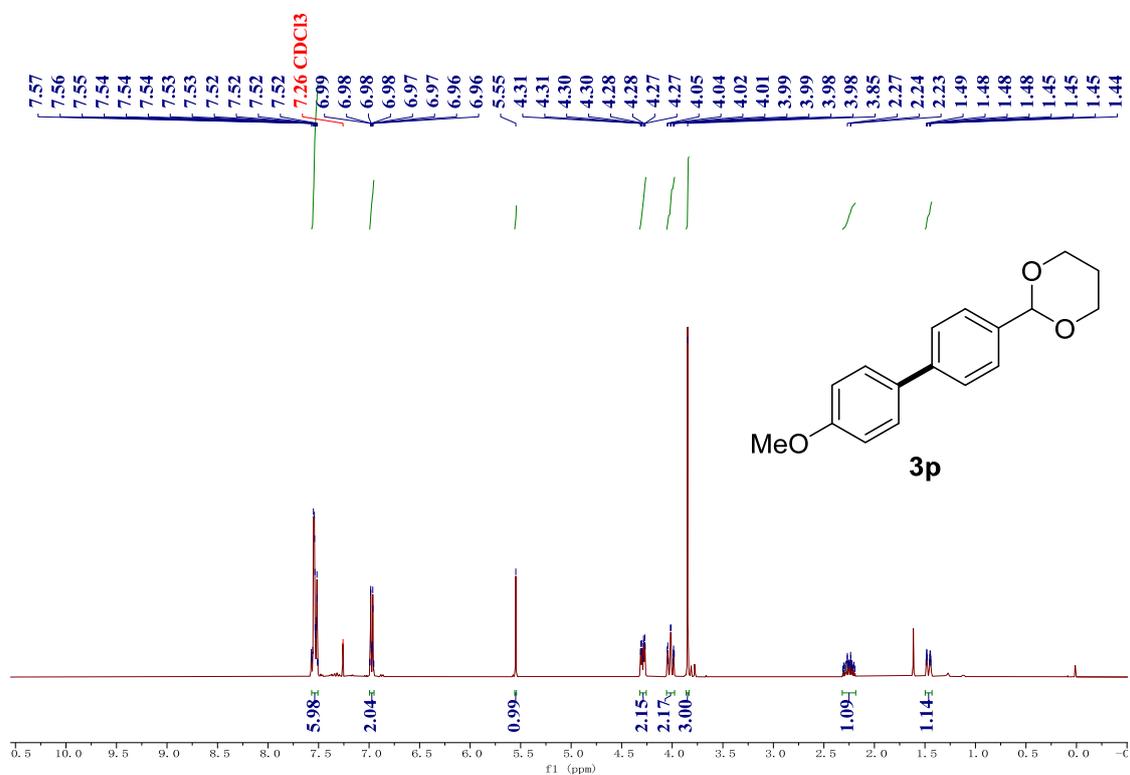
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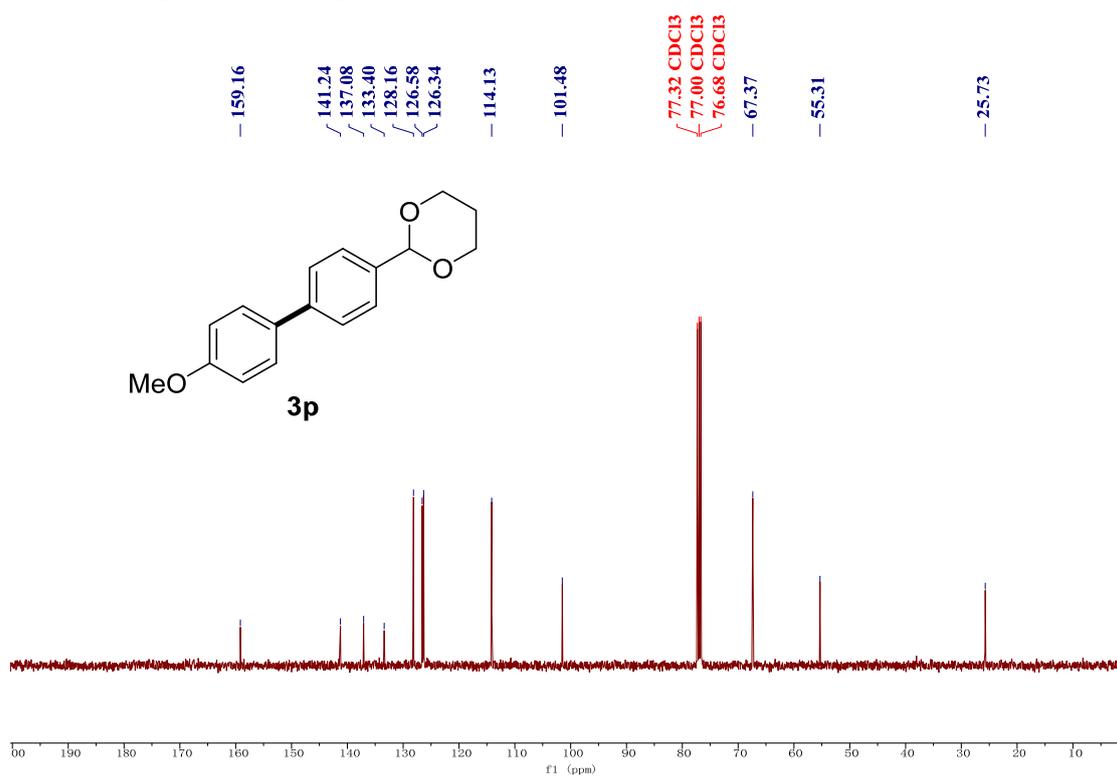
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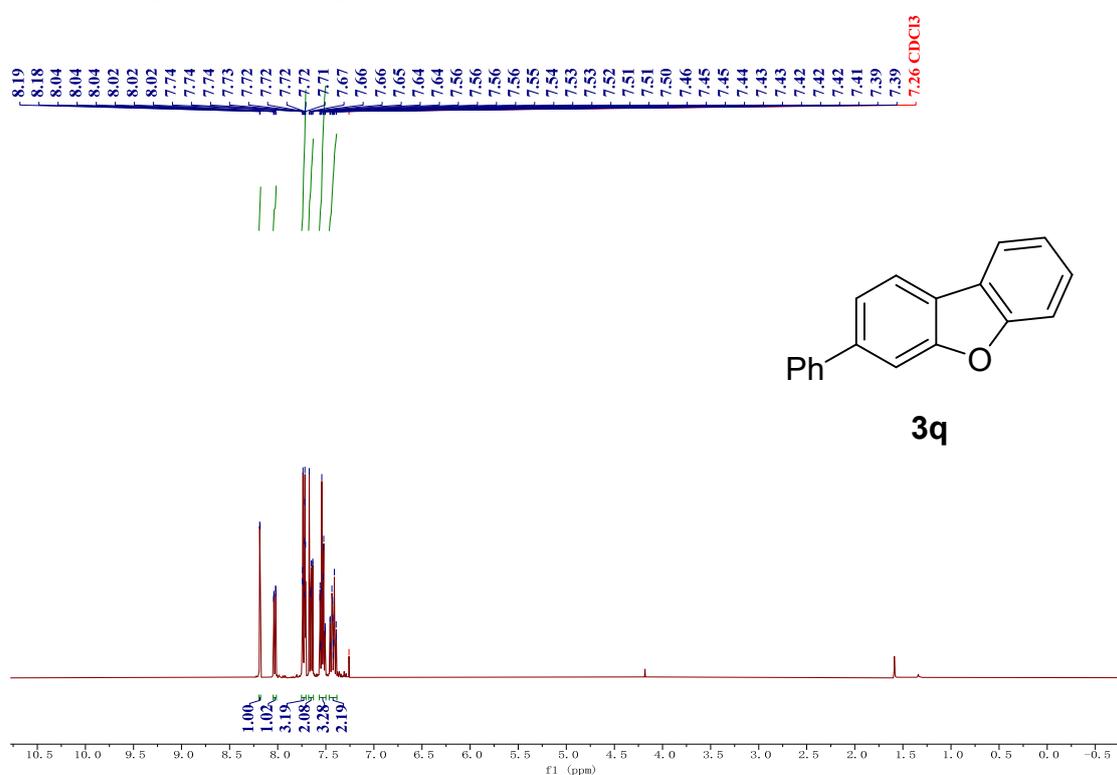
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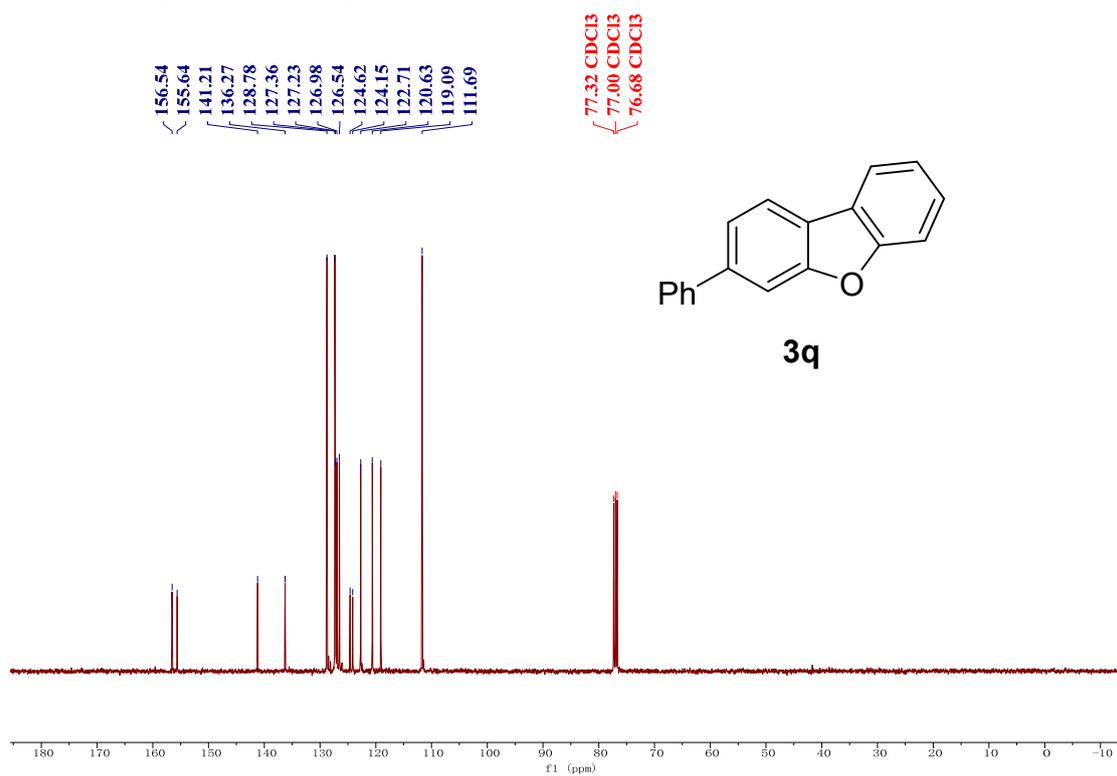
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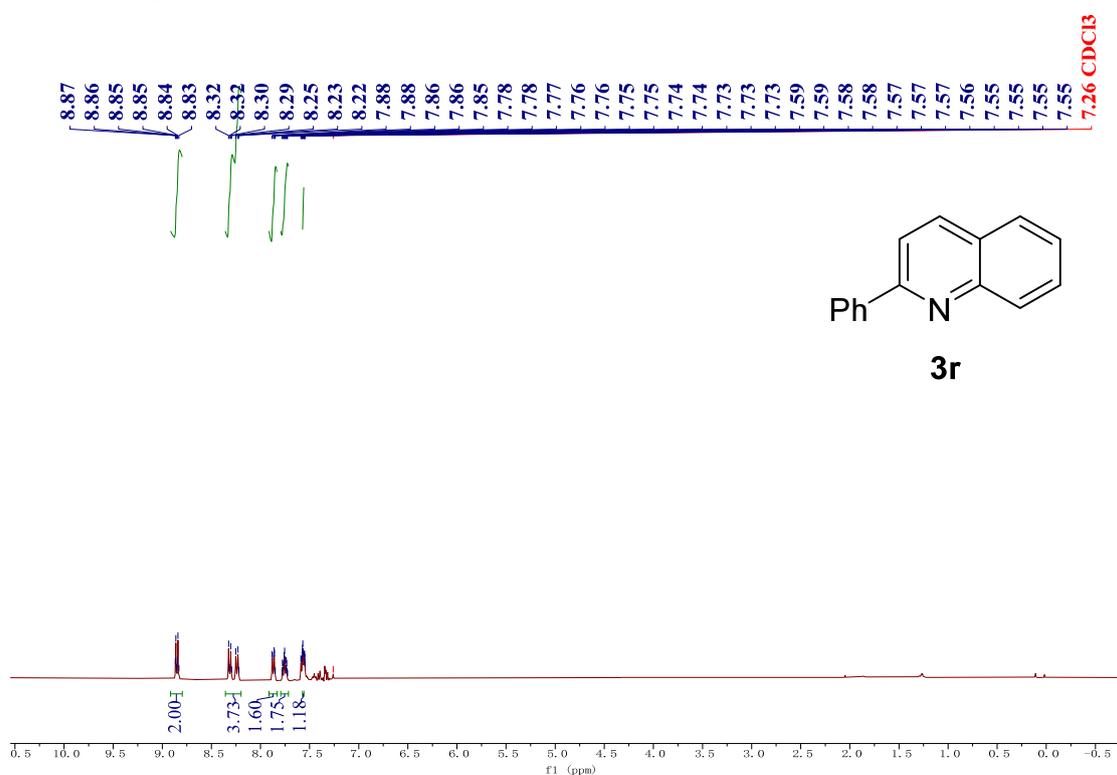
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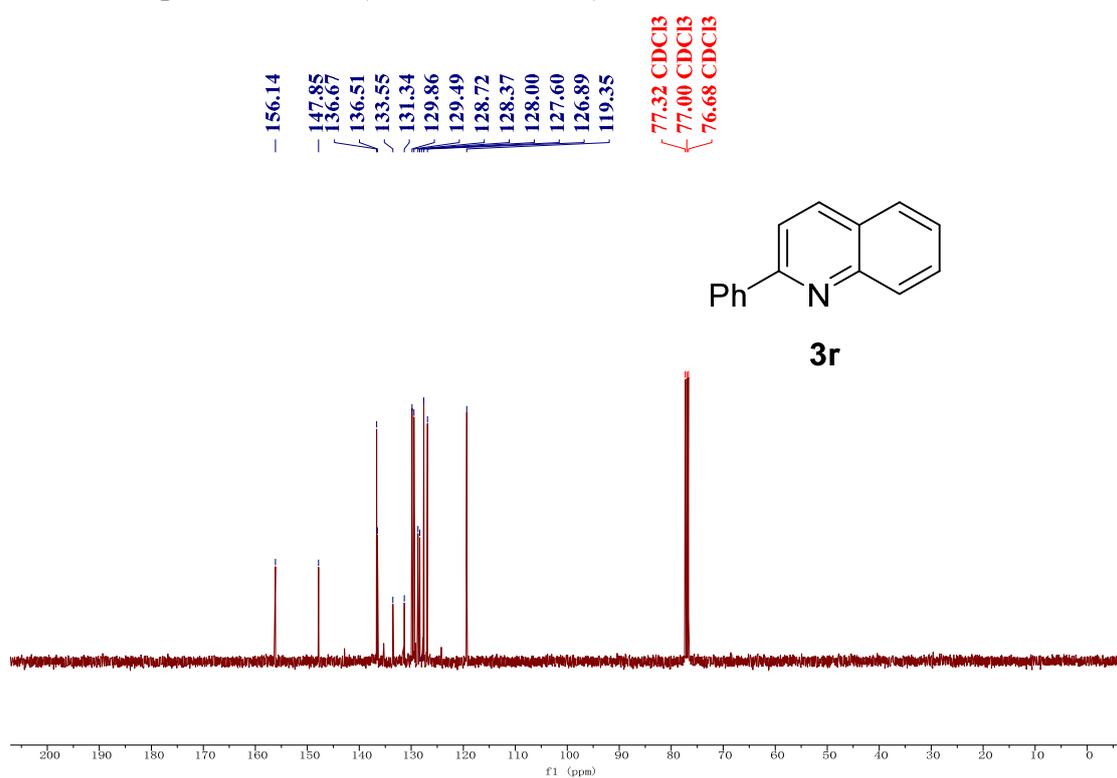
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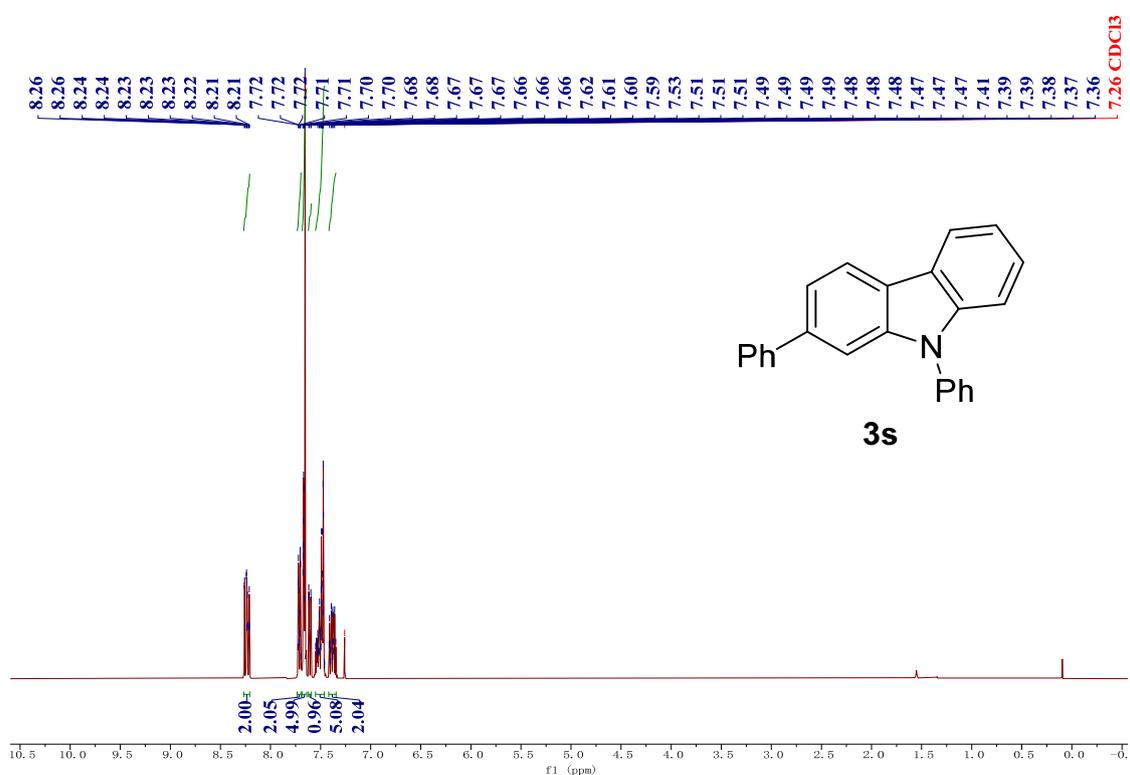
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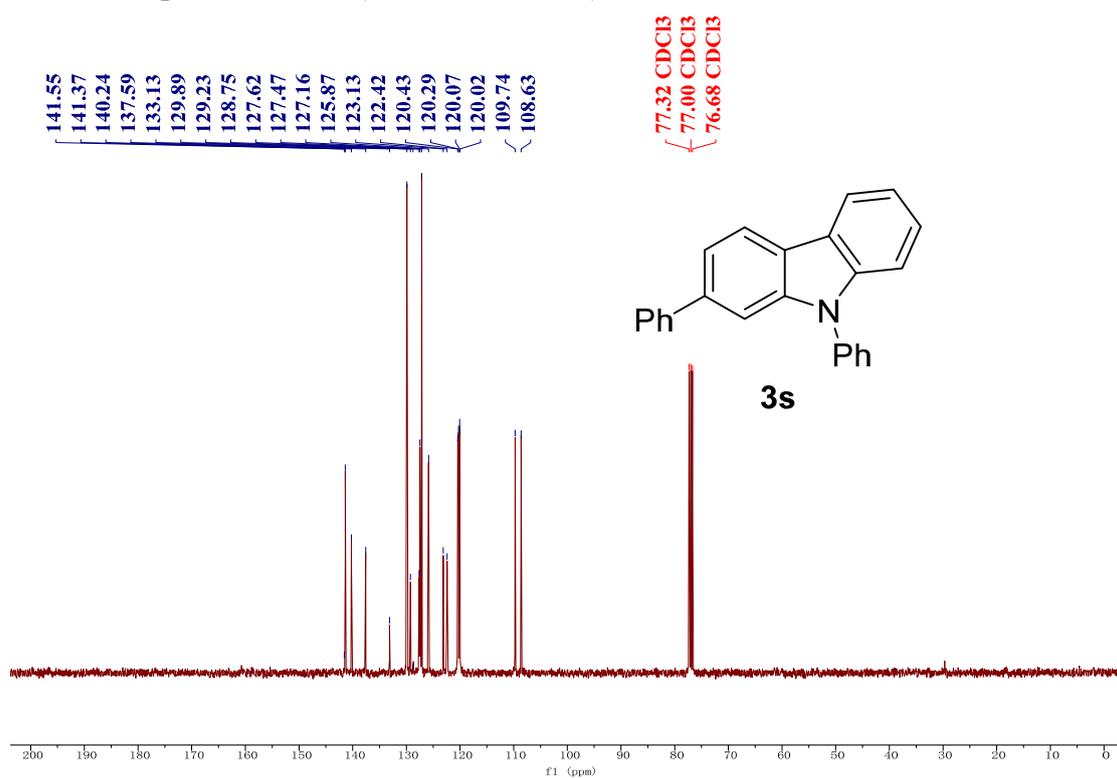
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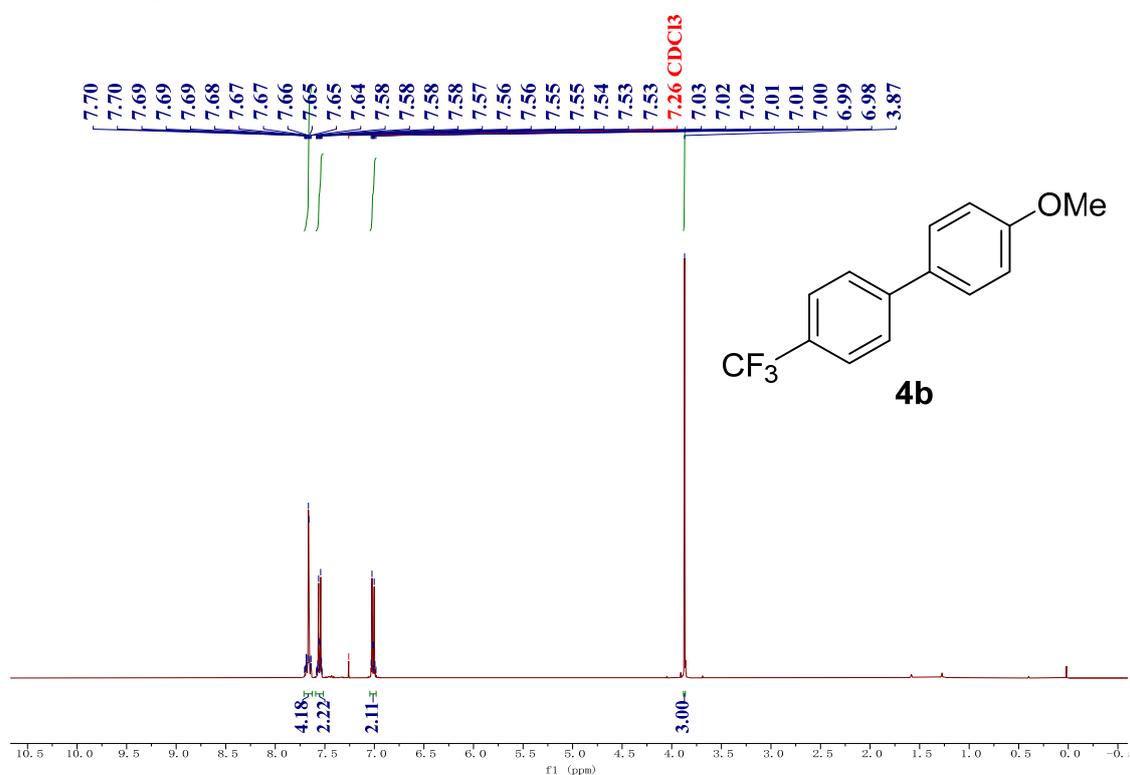
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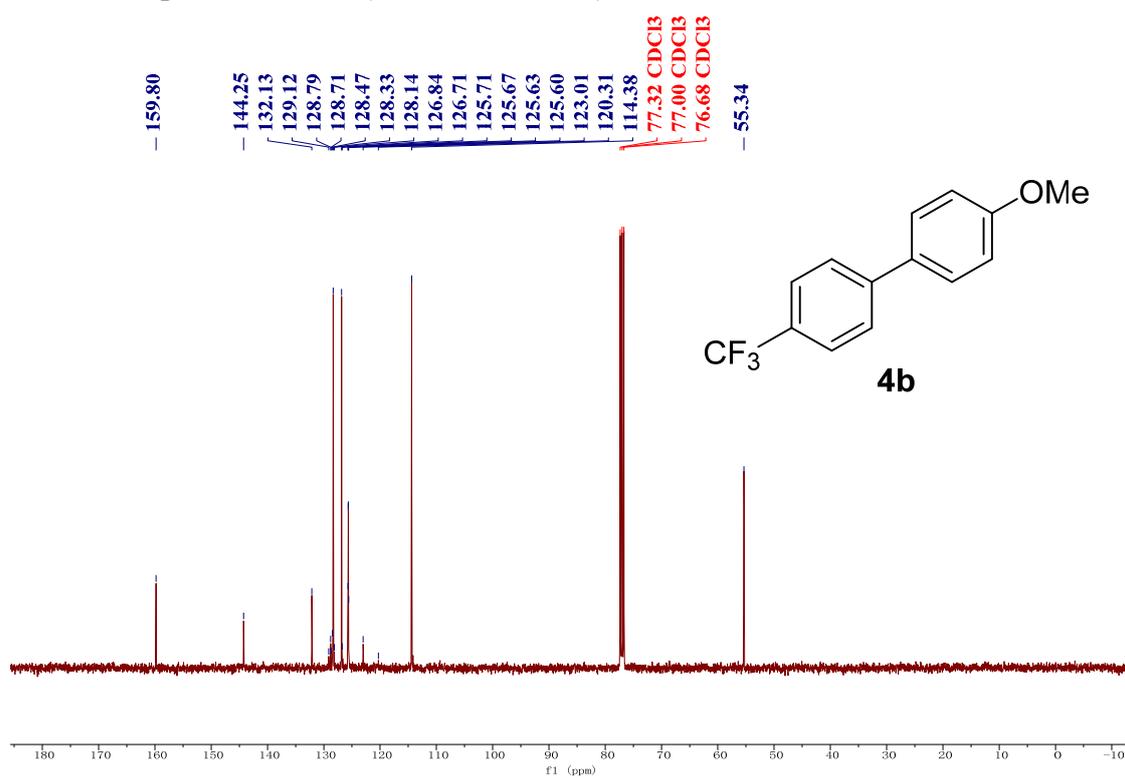
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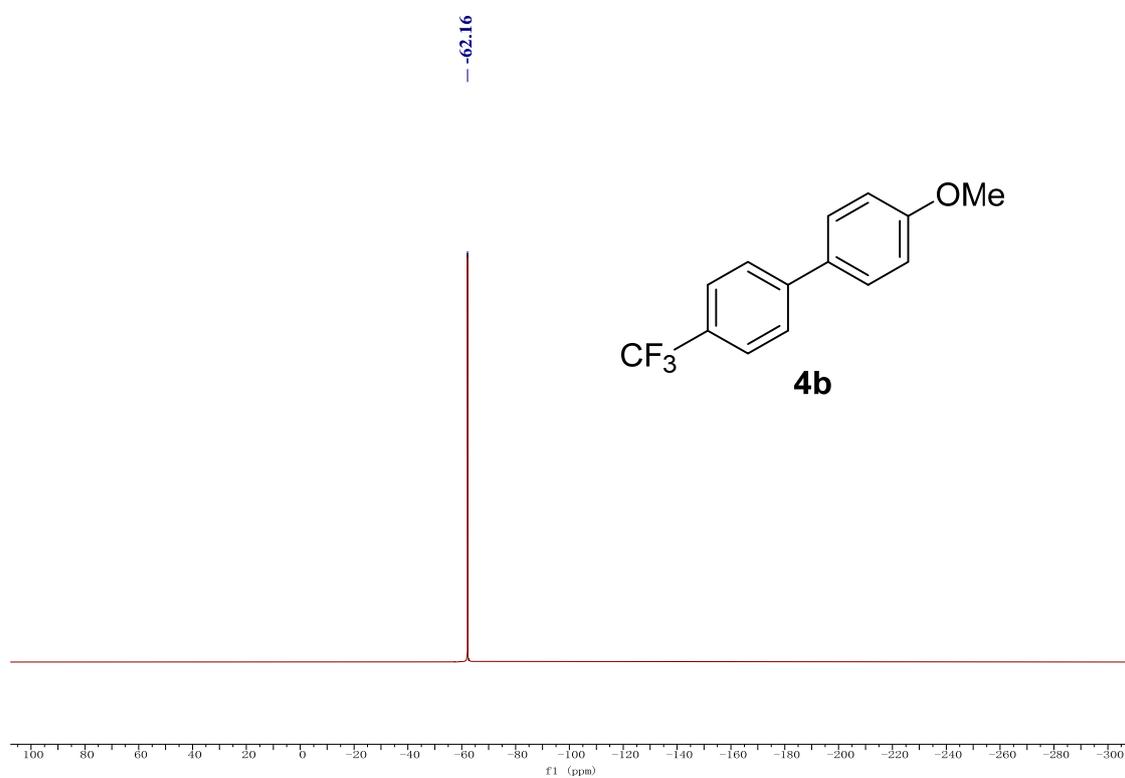
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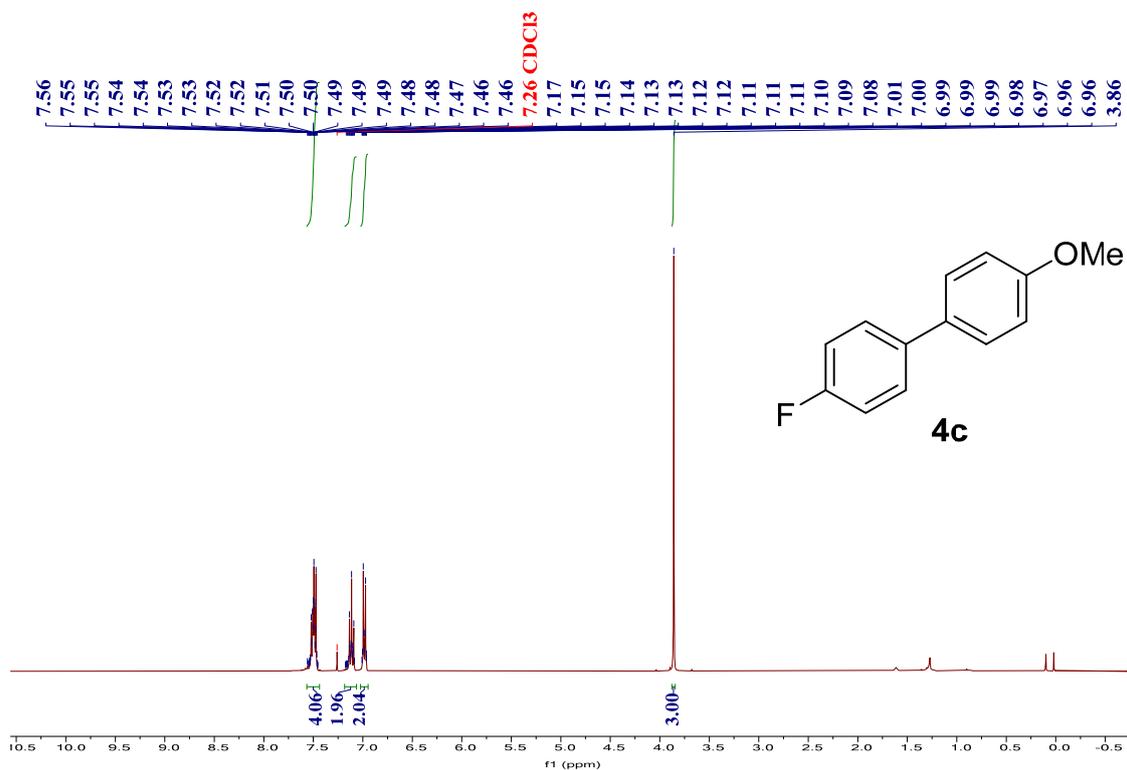
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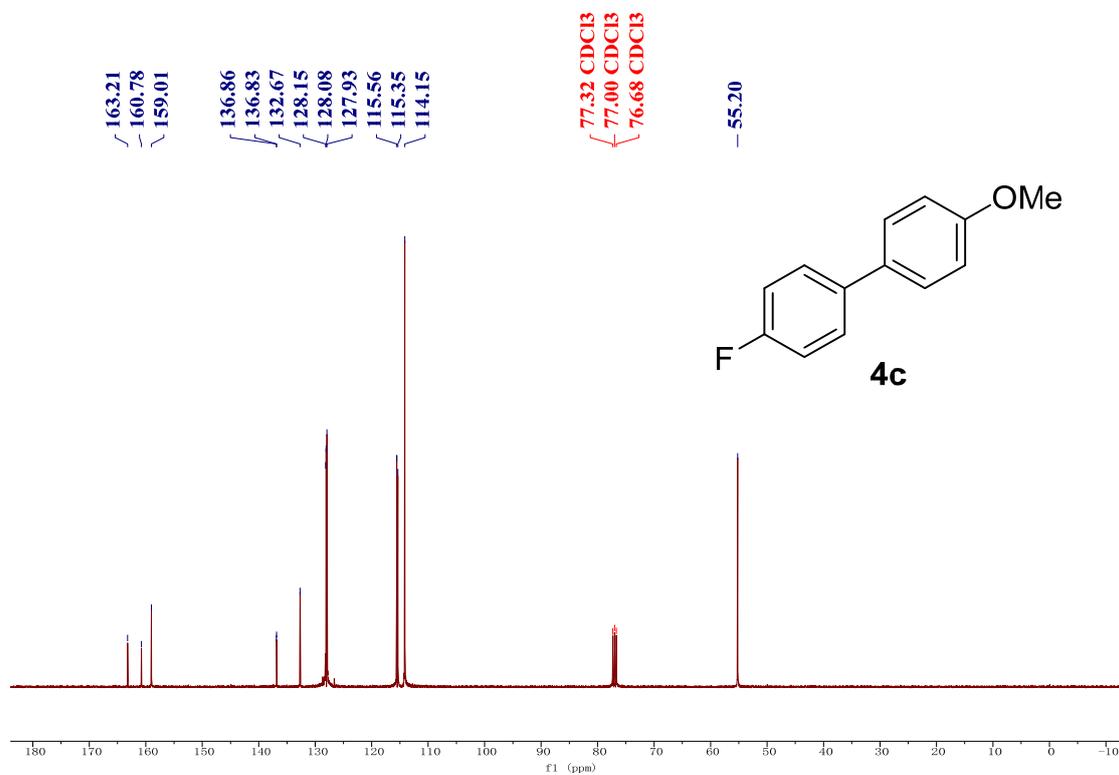
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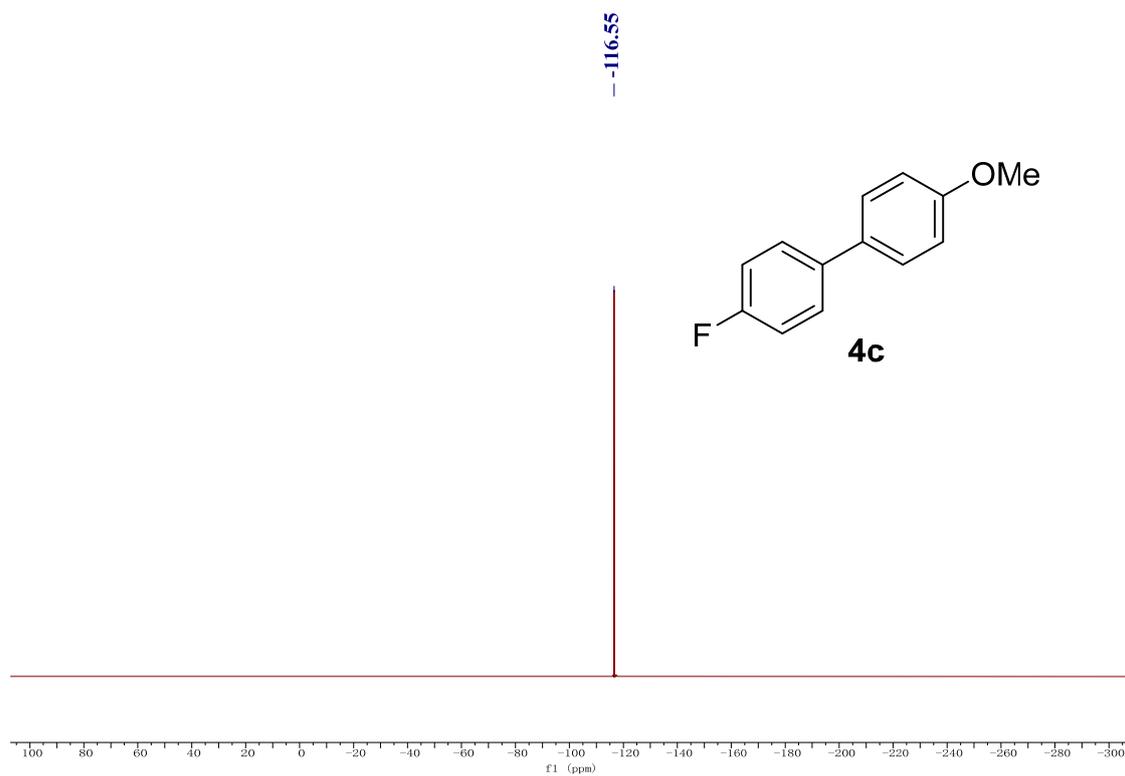
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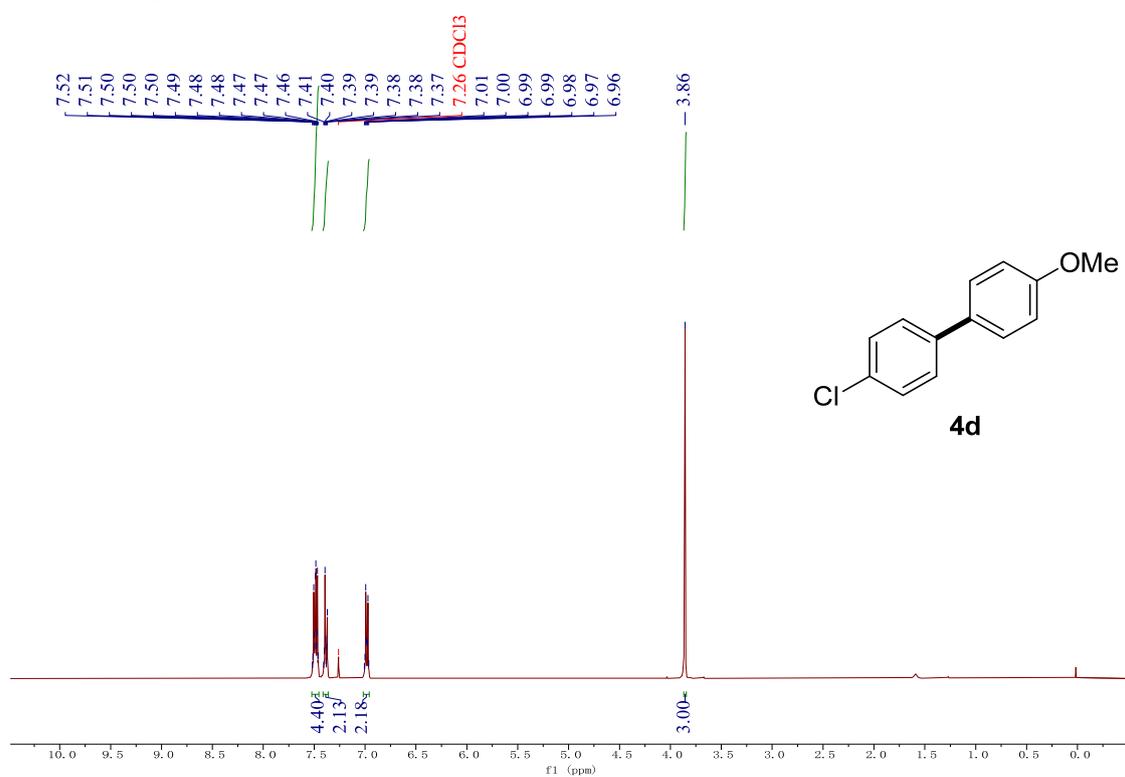
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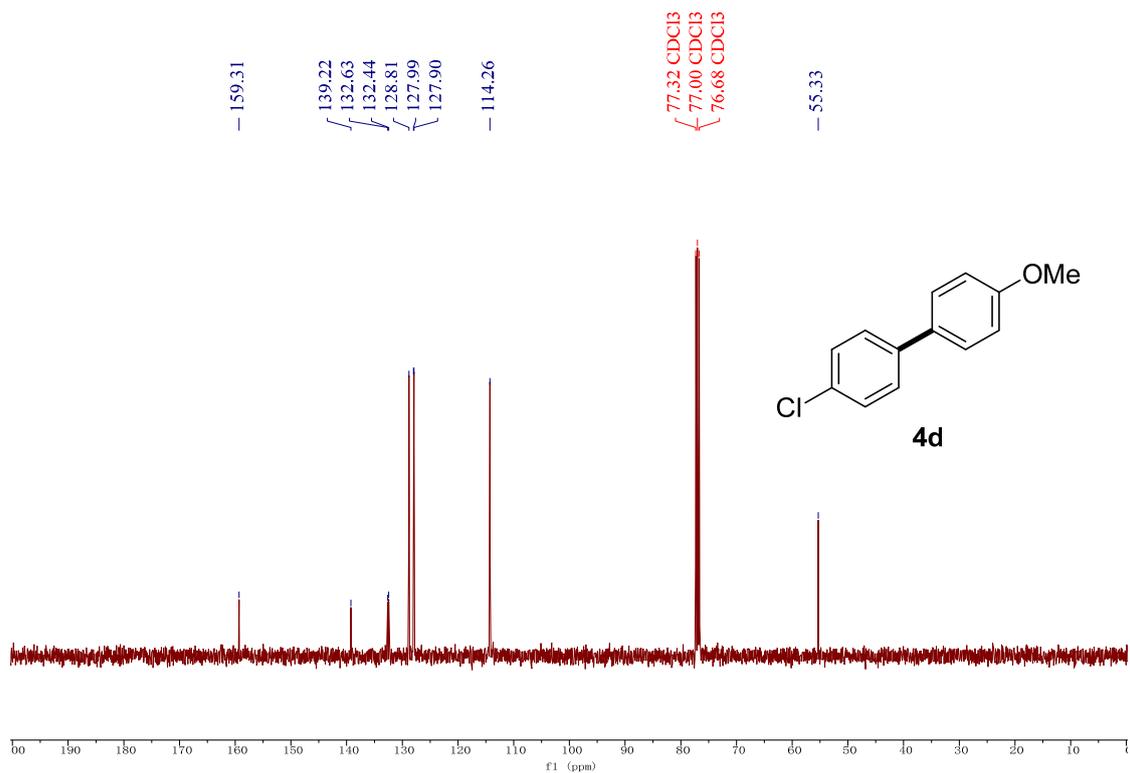
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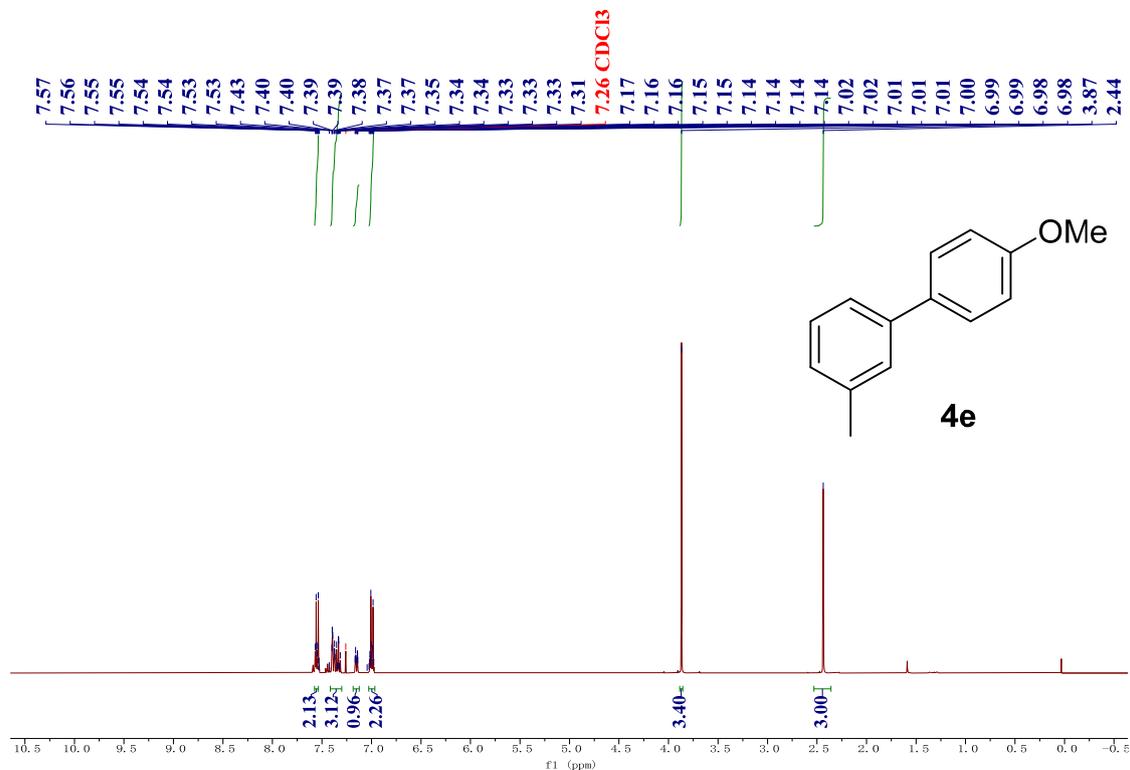
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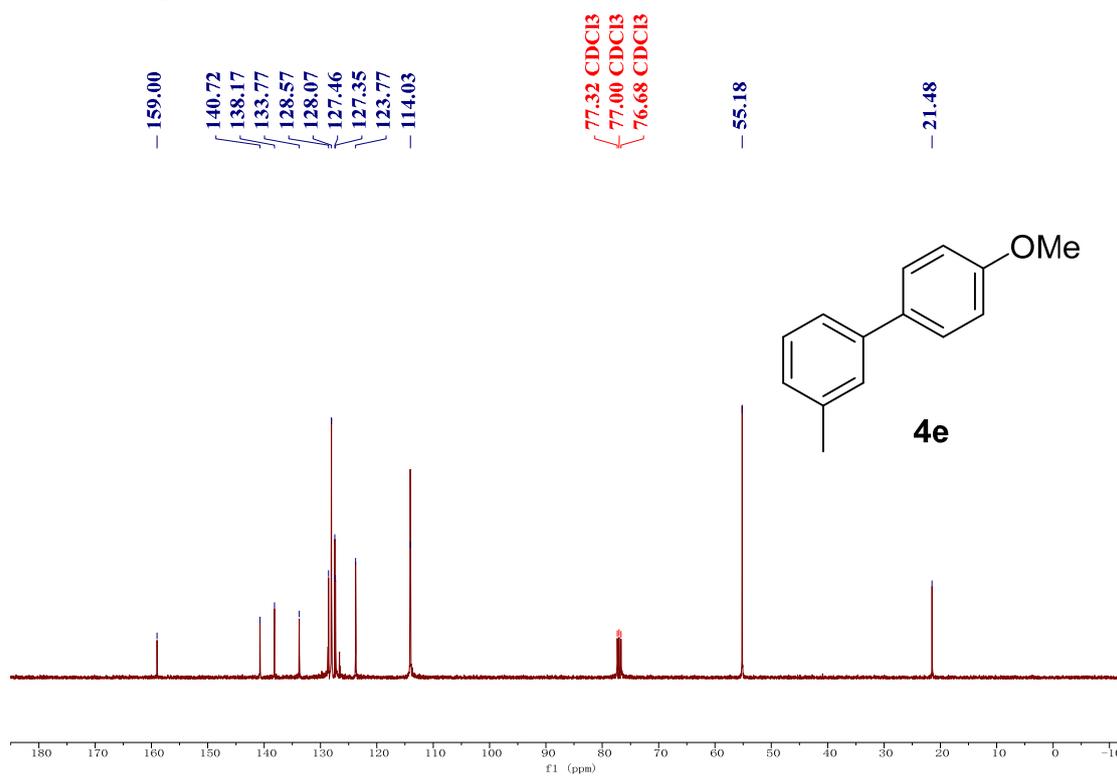
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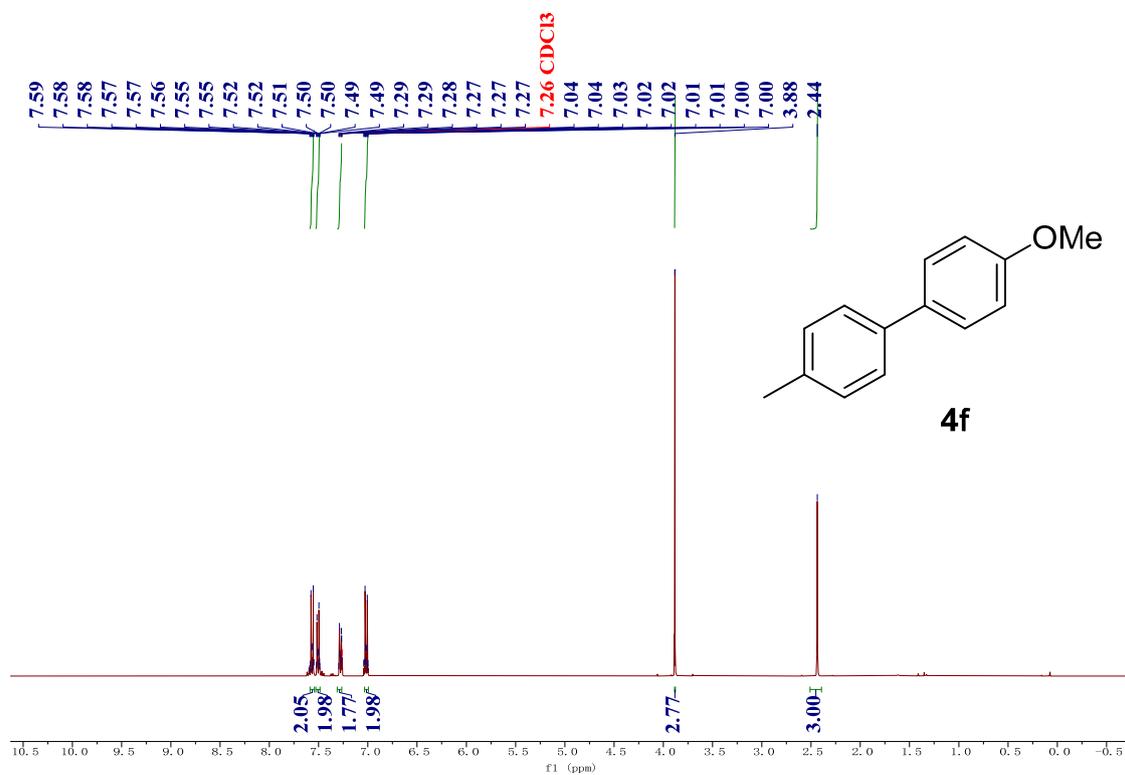
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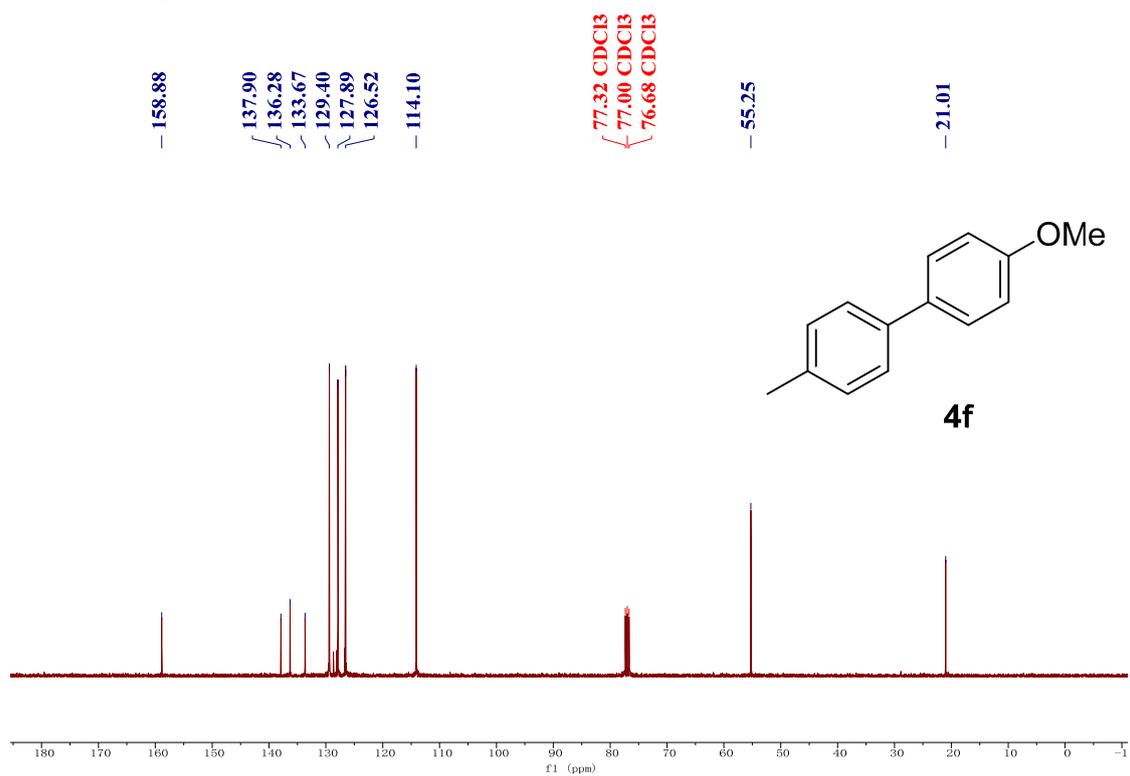
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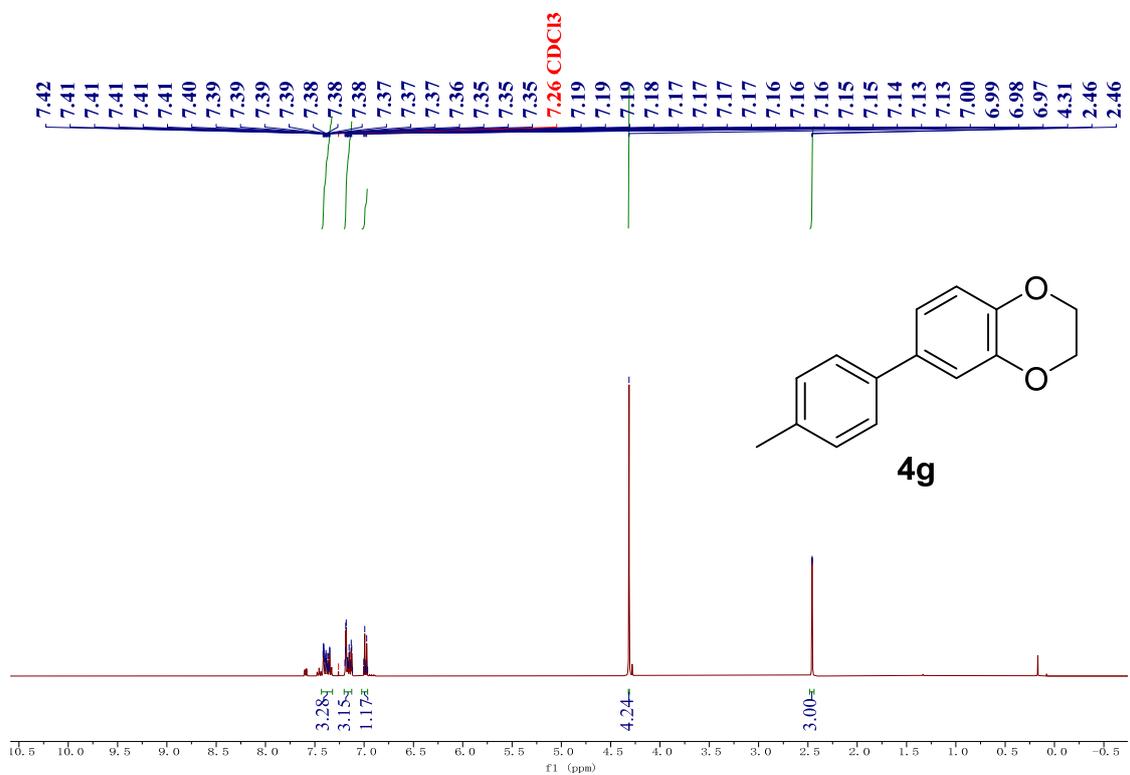
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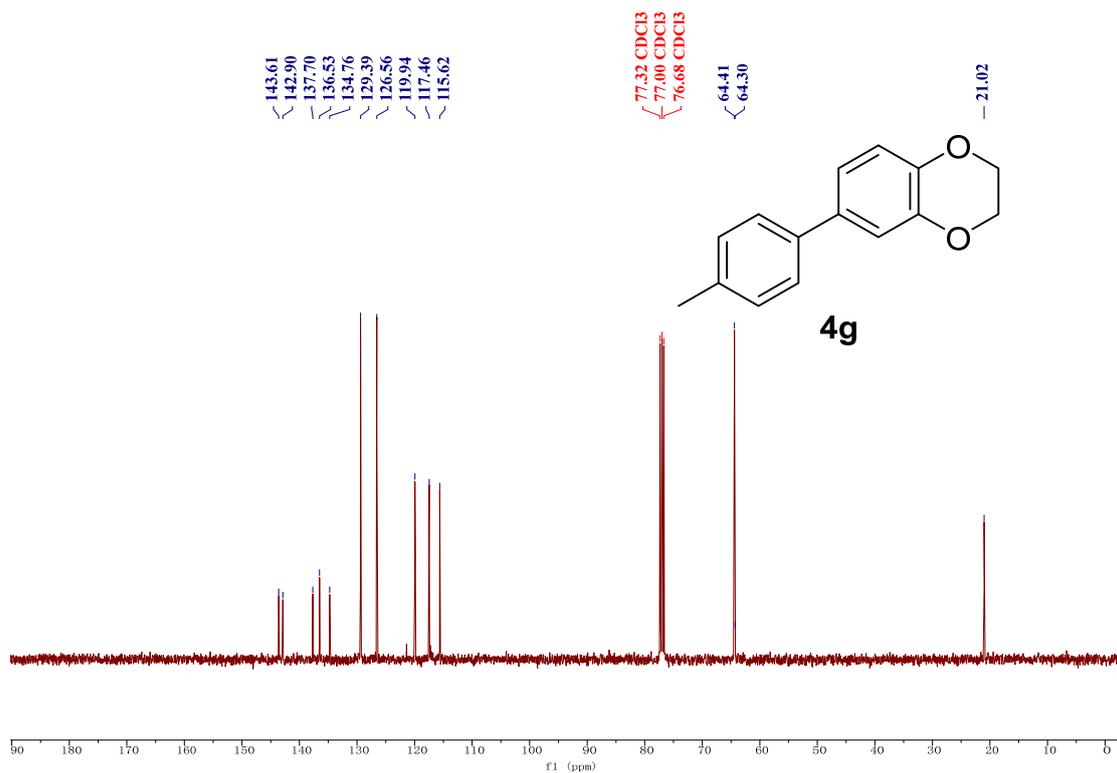
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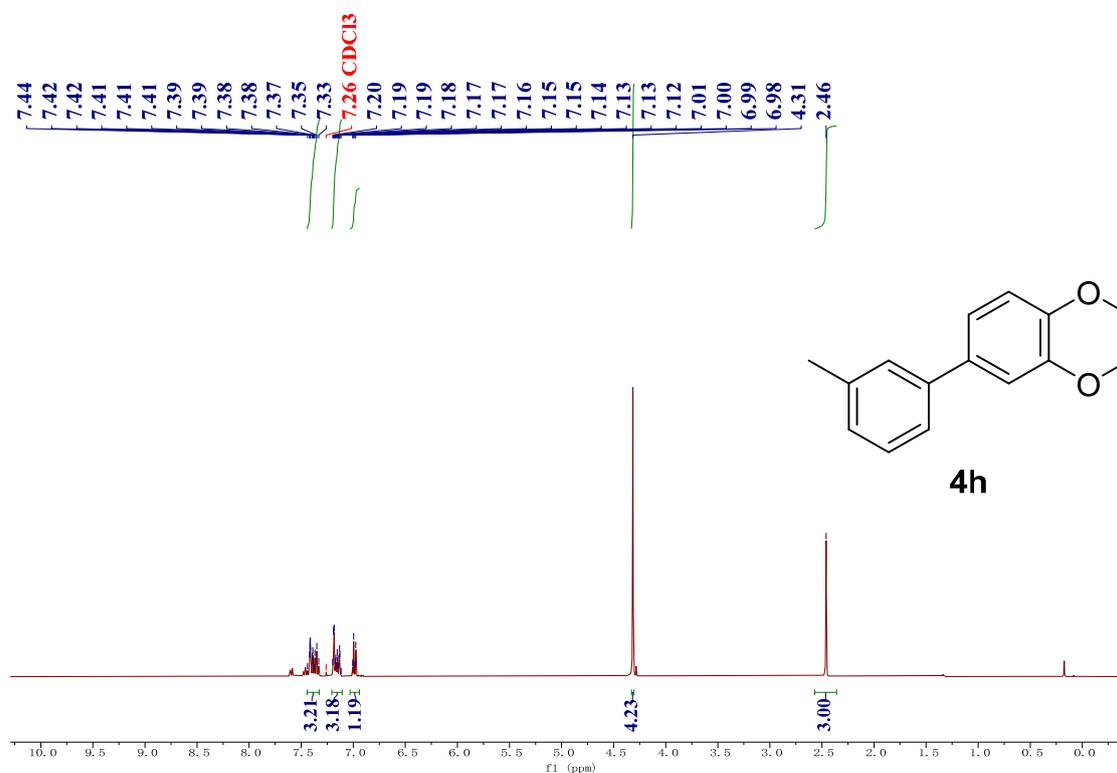
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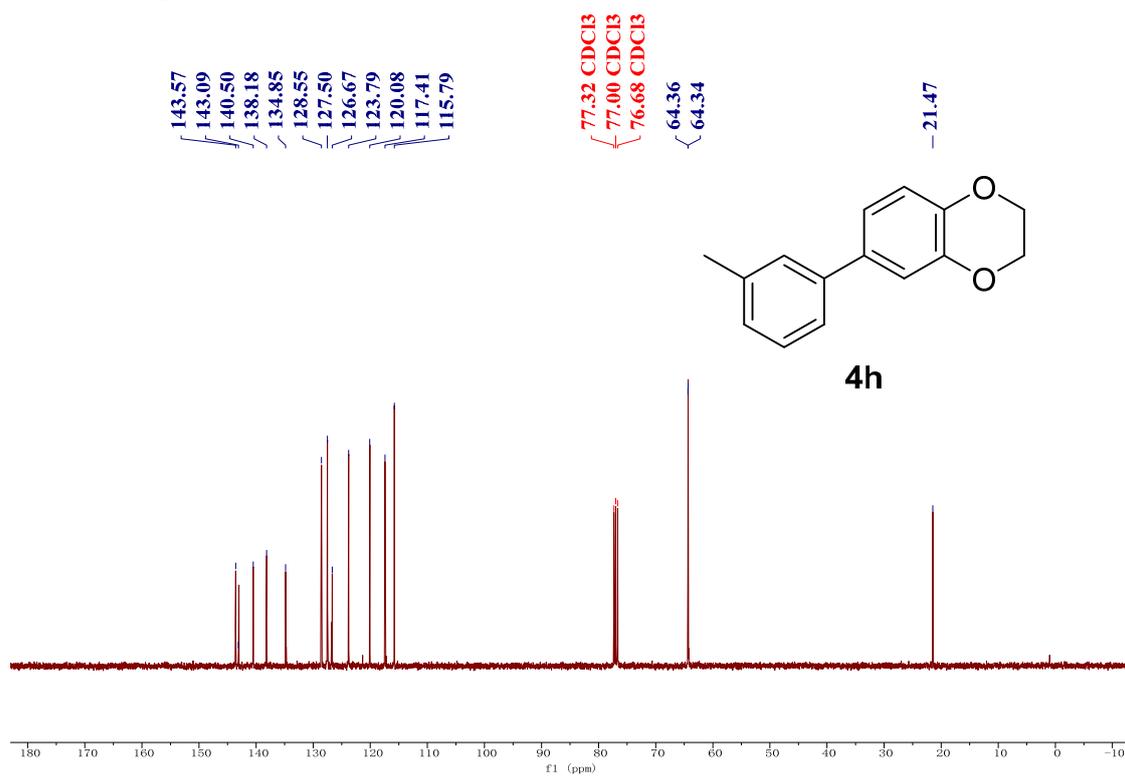
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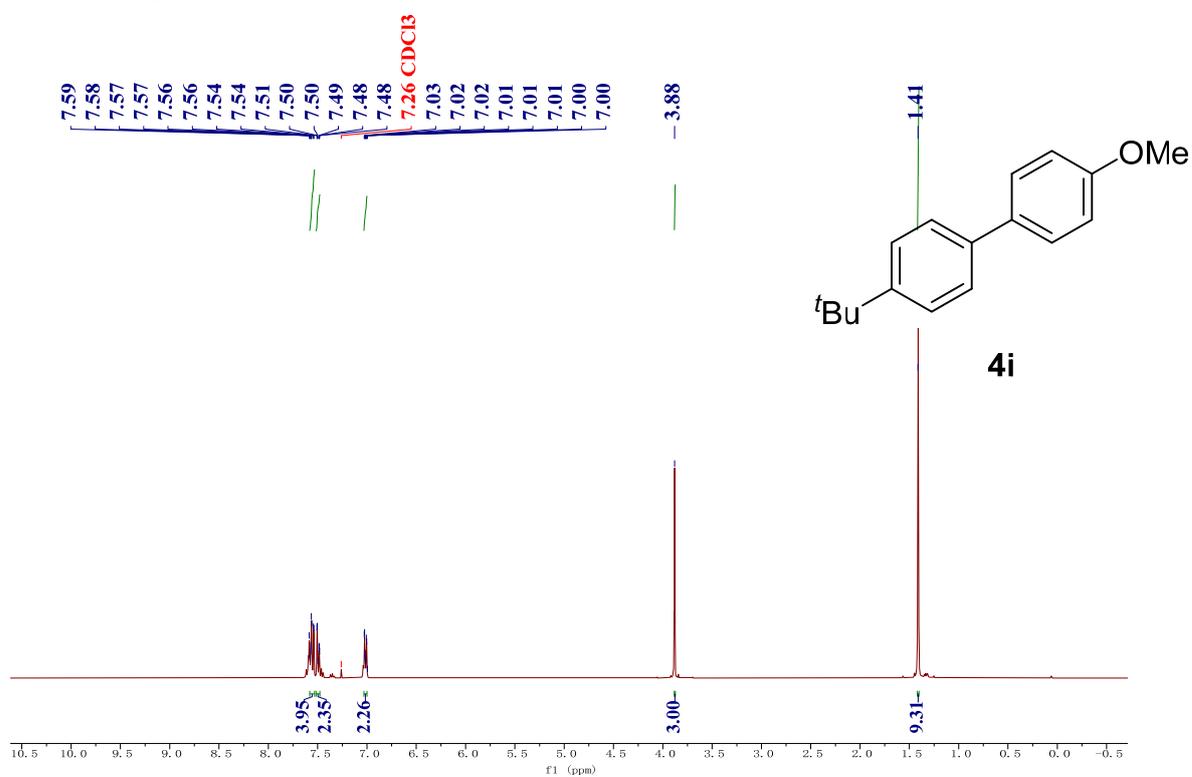
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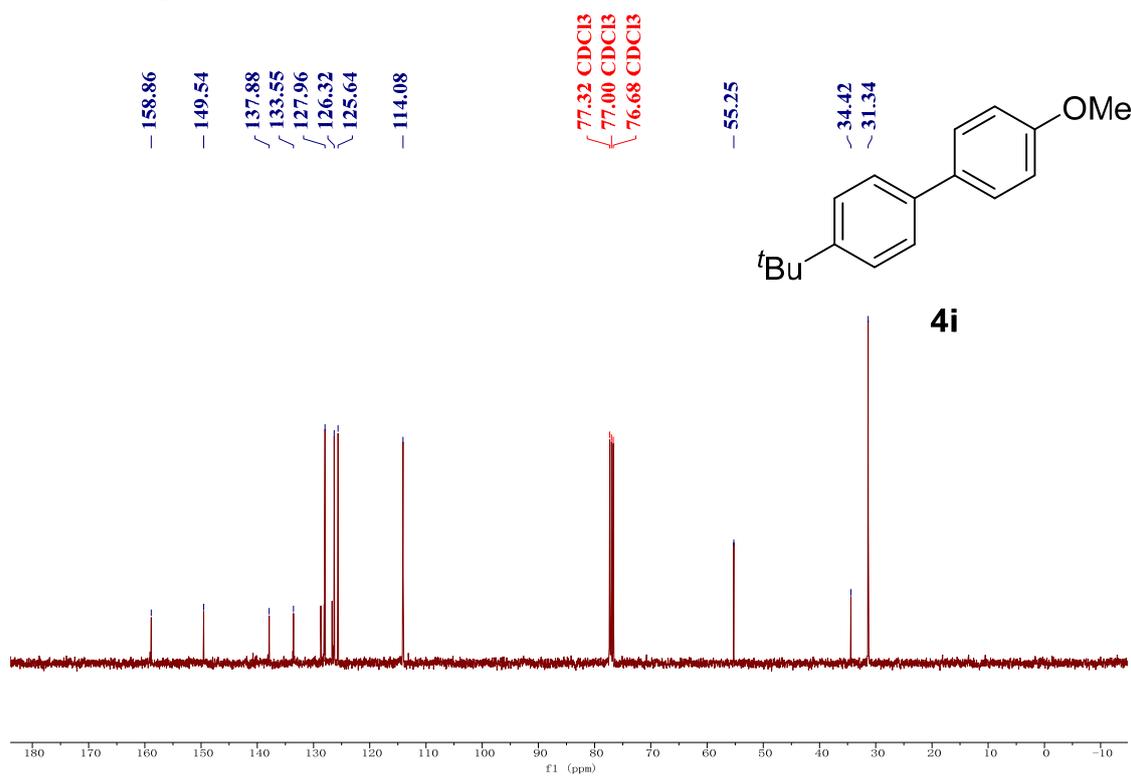
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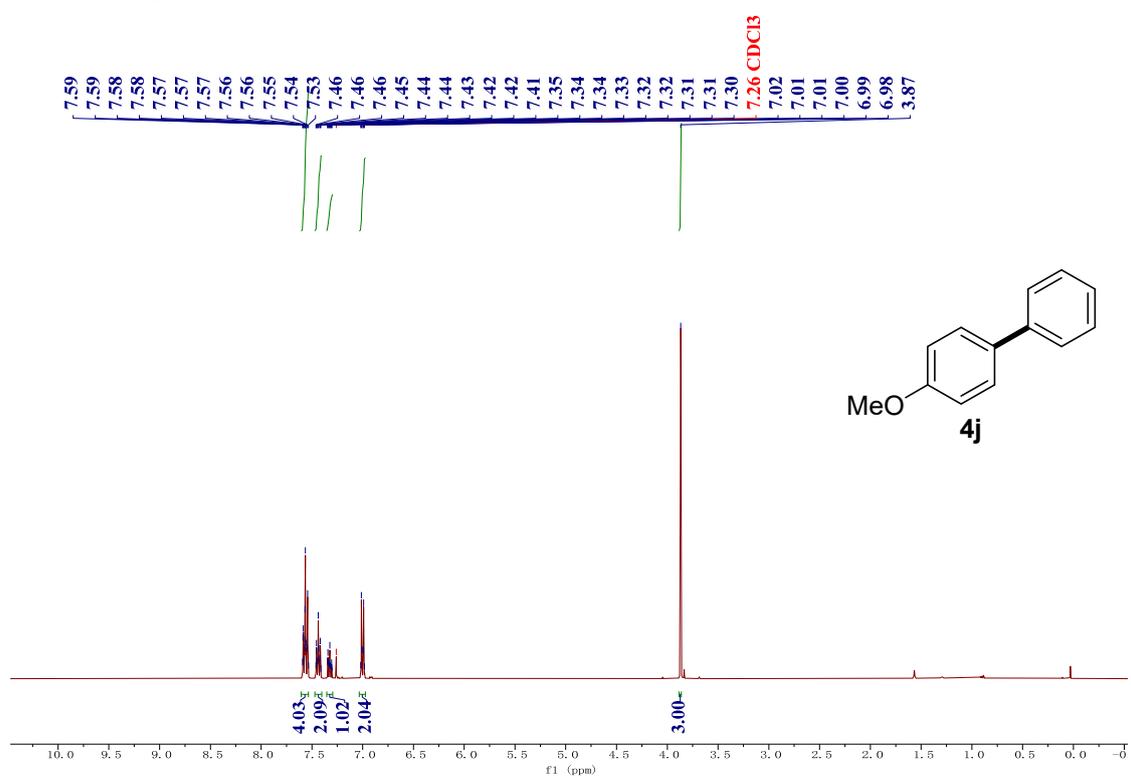
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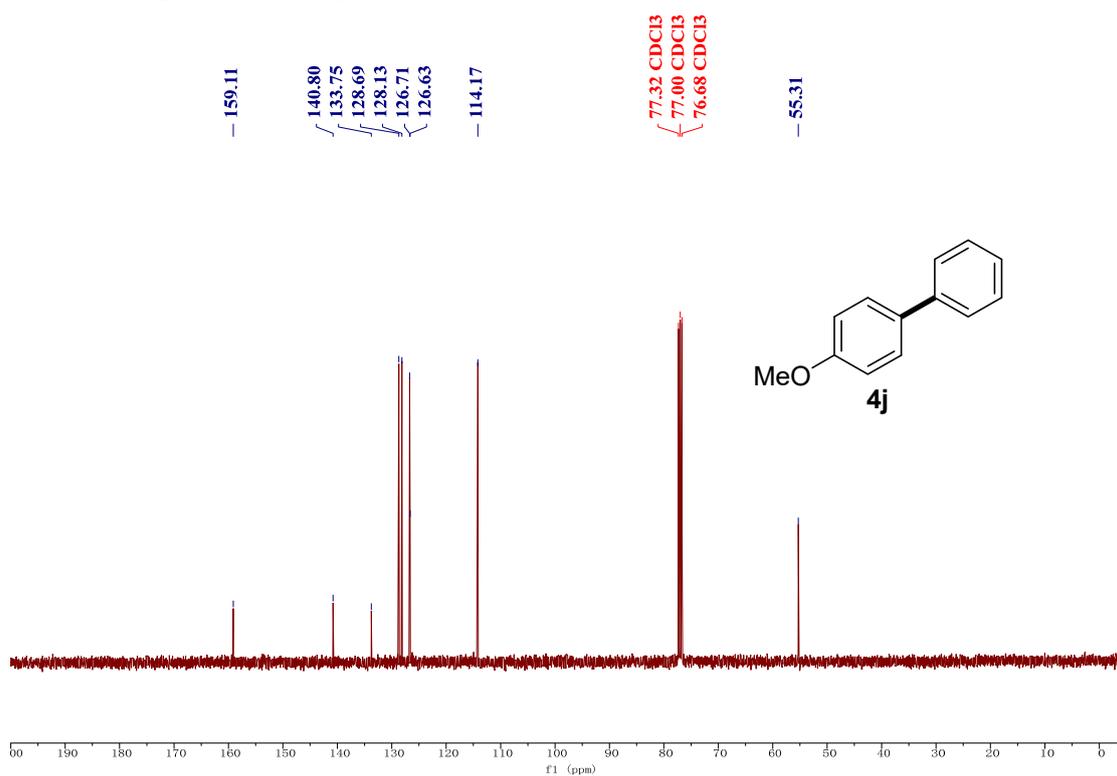
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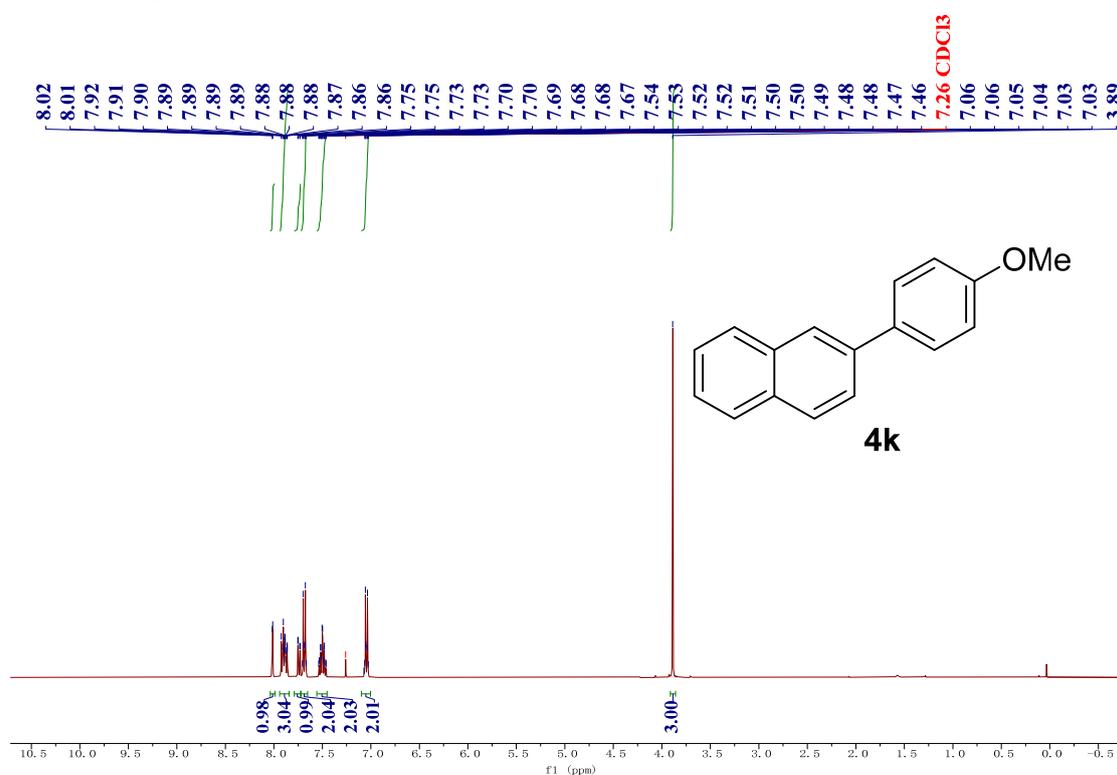
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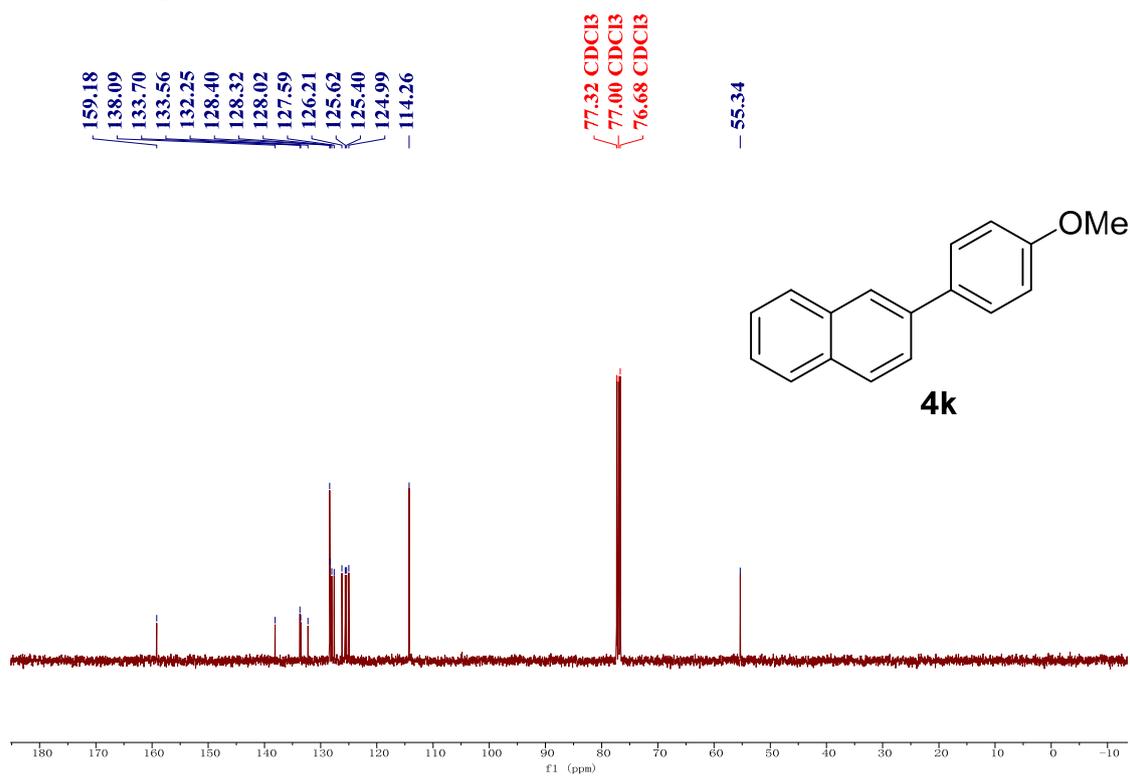
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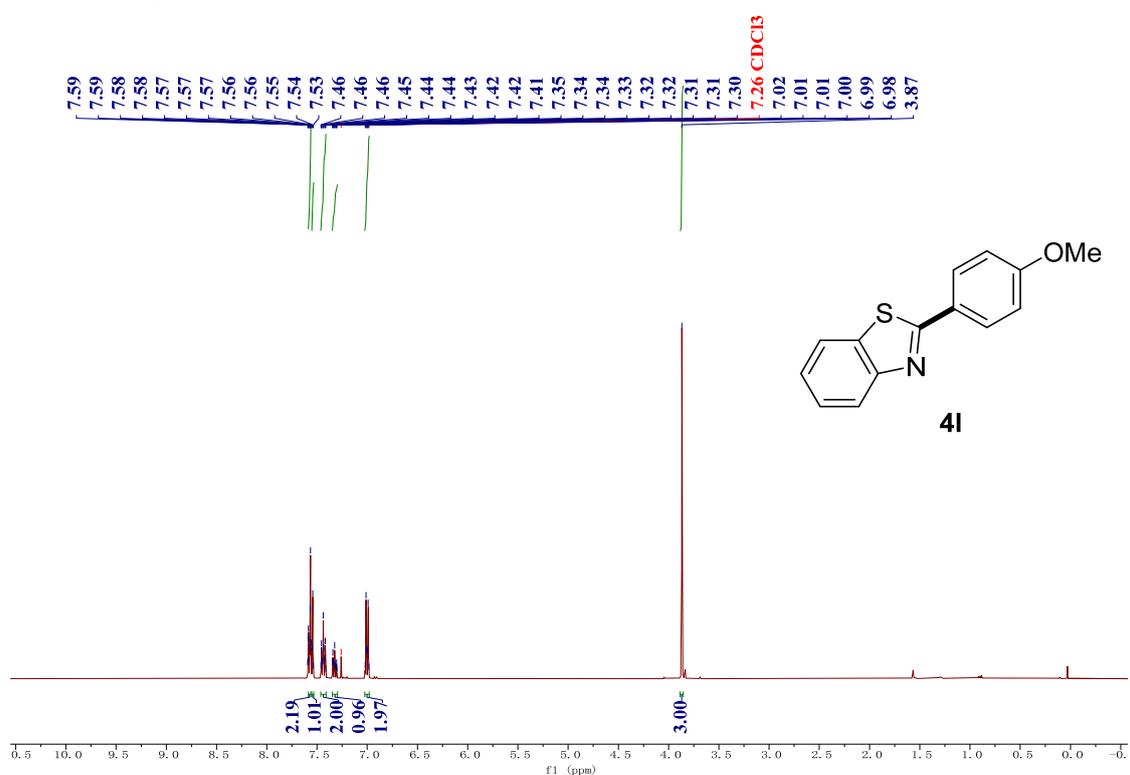
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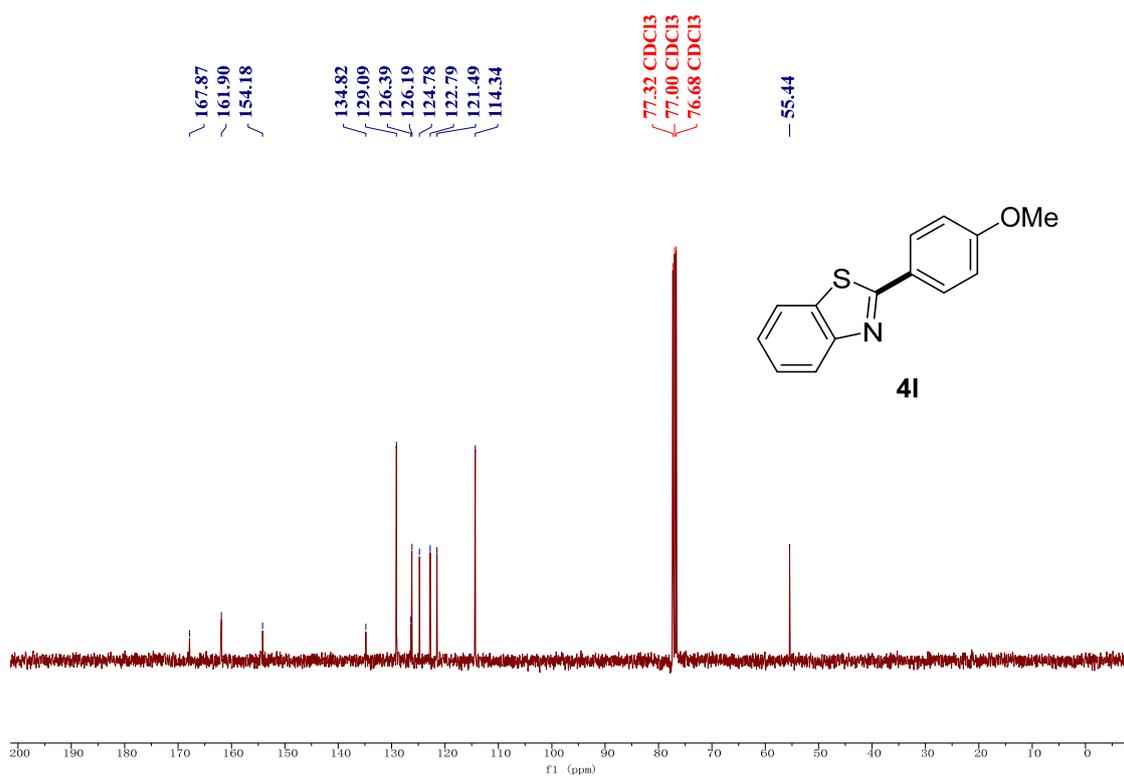
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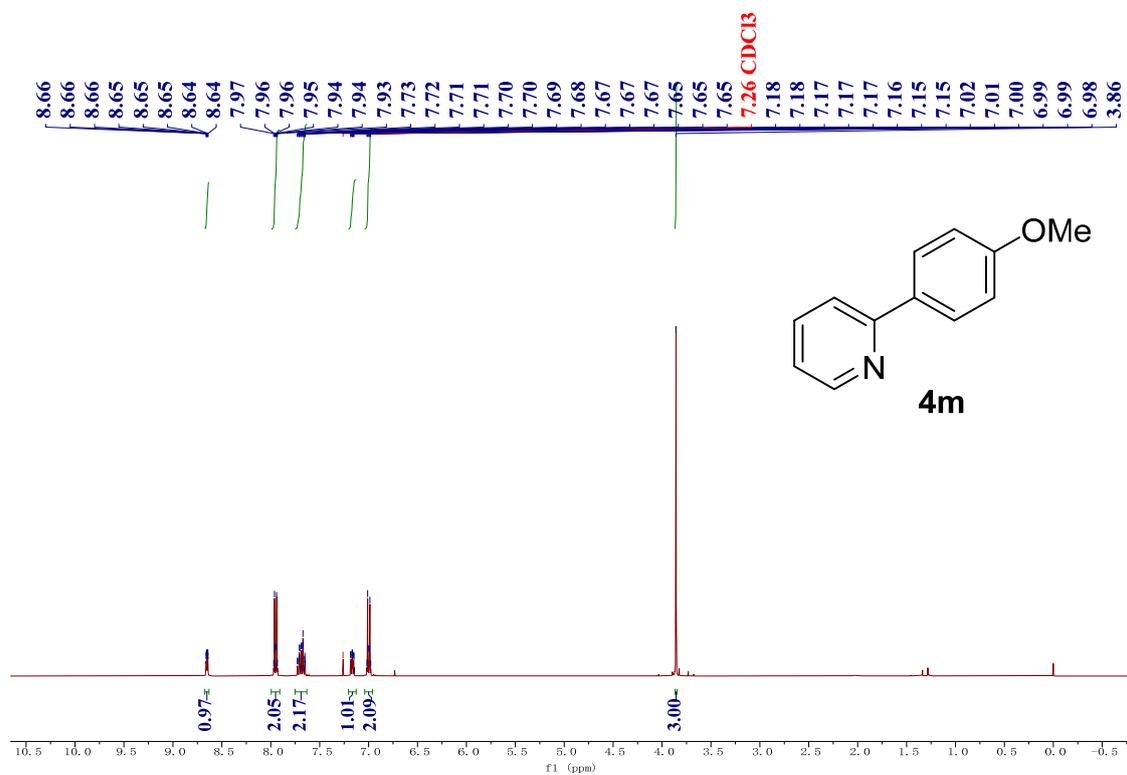
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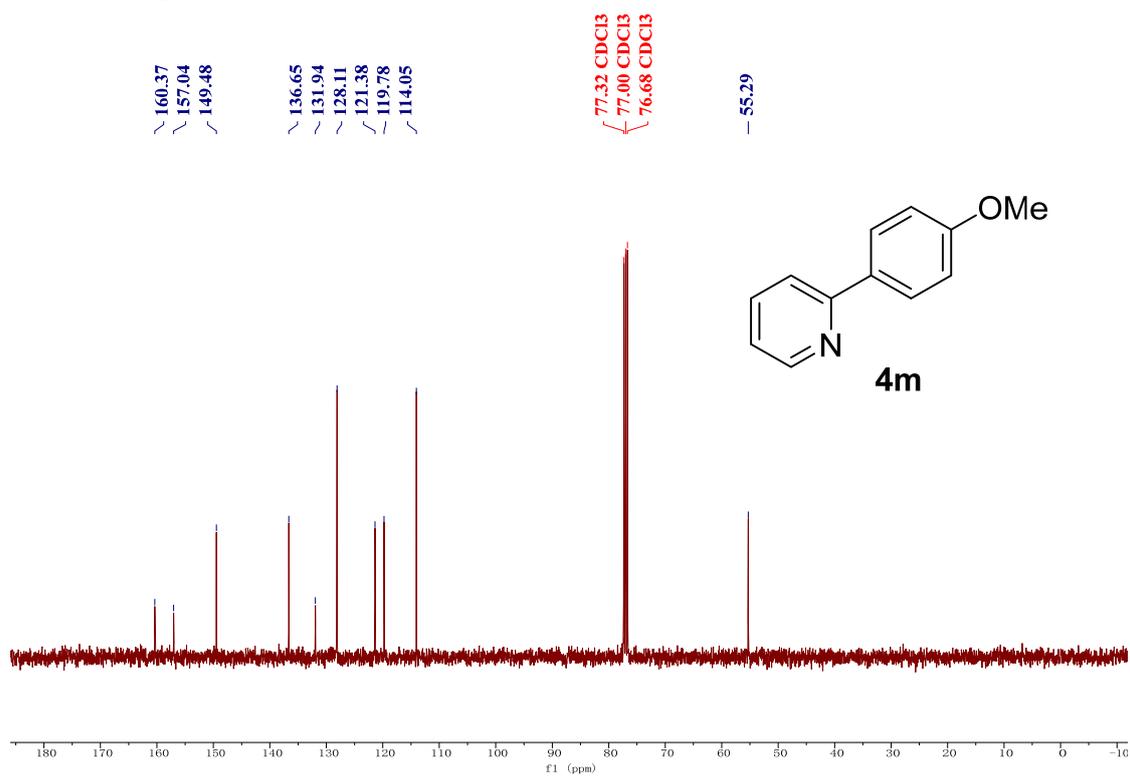
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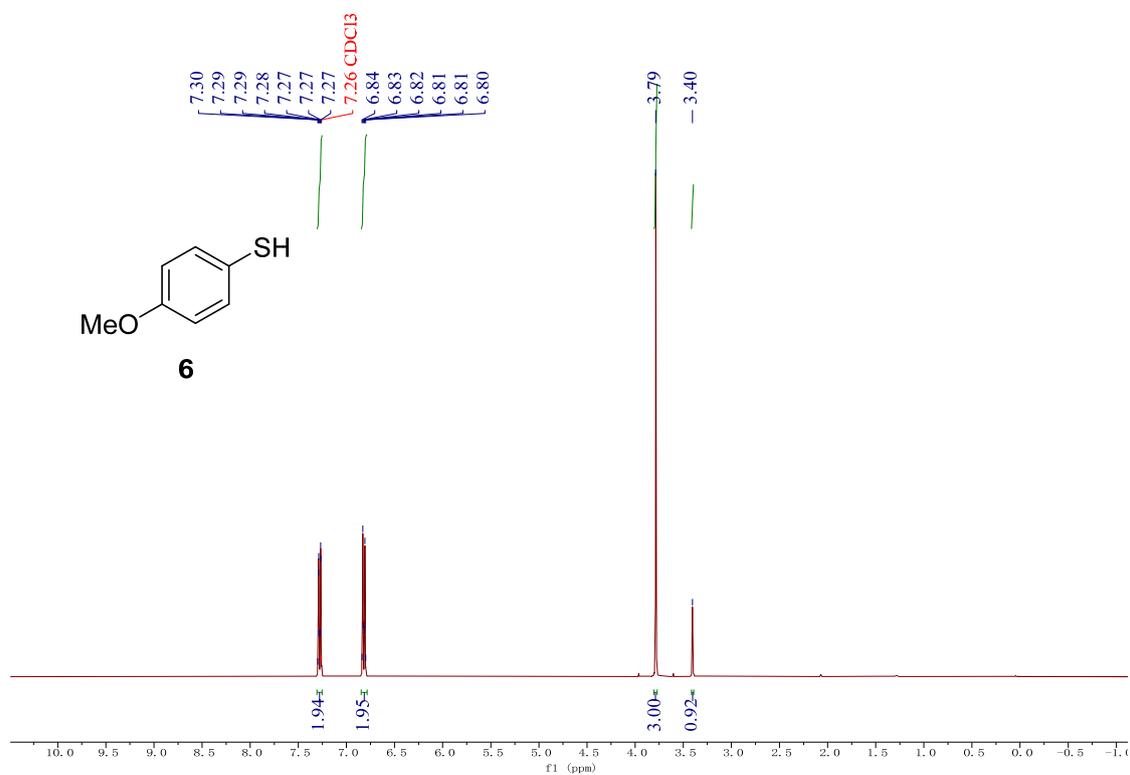
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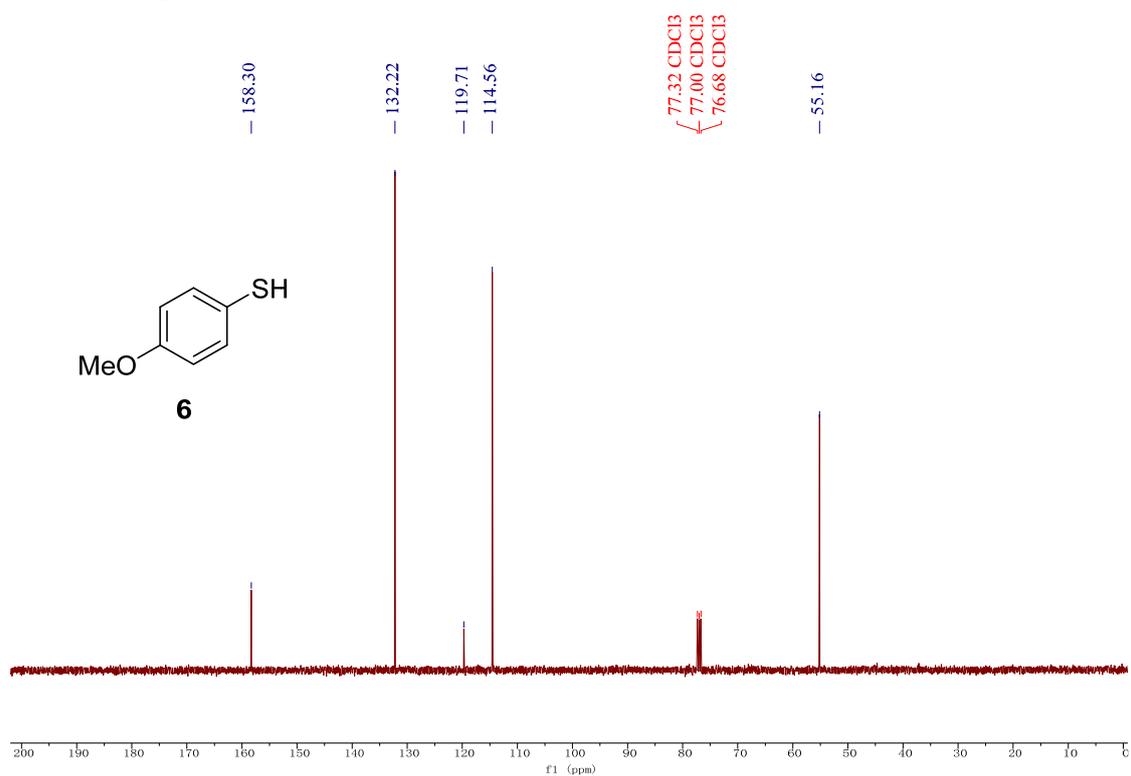
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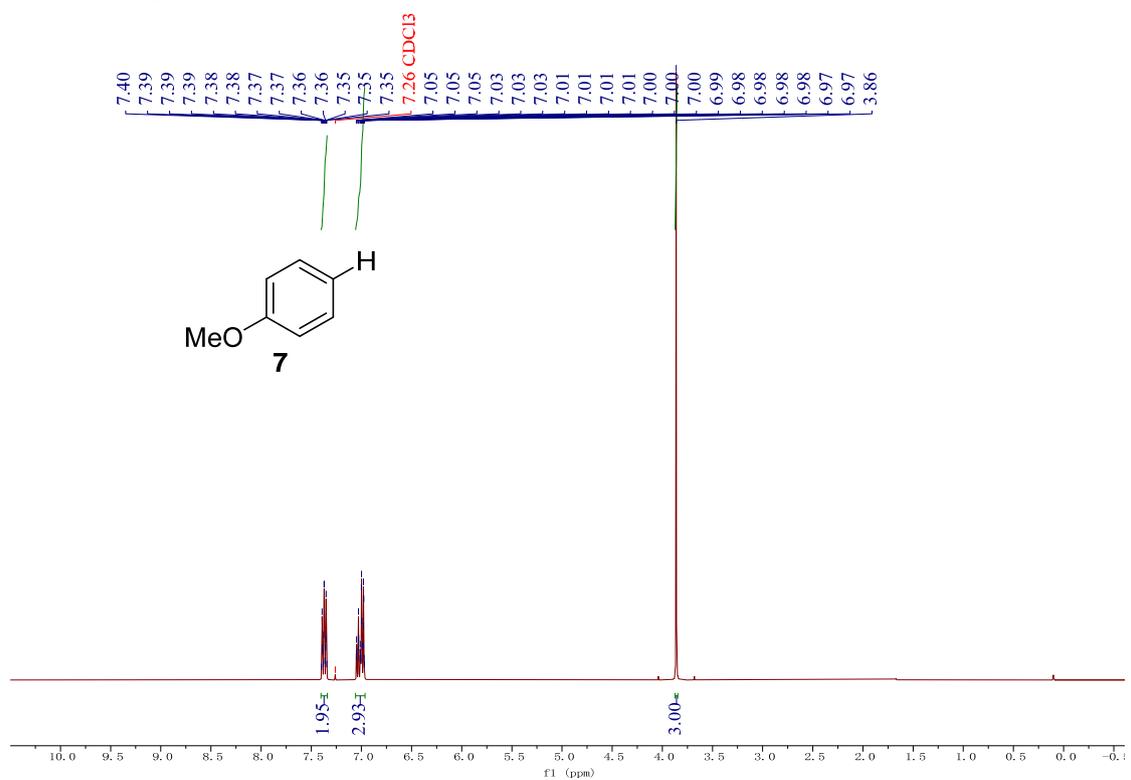
**<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of 6 (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)**



<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **6** (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)



<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **7** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)



**$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of 7 (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )**

