

Supporting Information

Chemo-, Regio- and Stereoselective Synthesis of (*E*)- γ,γ - Diarylvinylphosphonates from α -Hydroxyallylphosphonates in TFA

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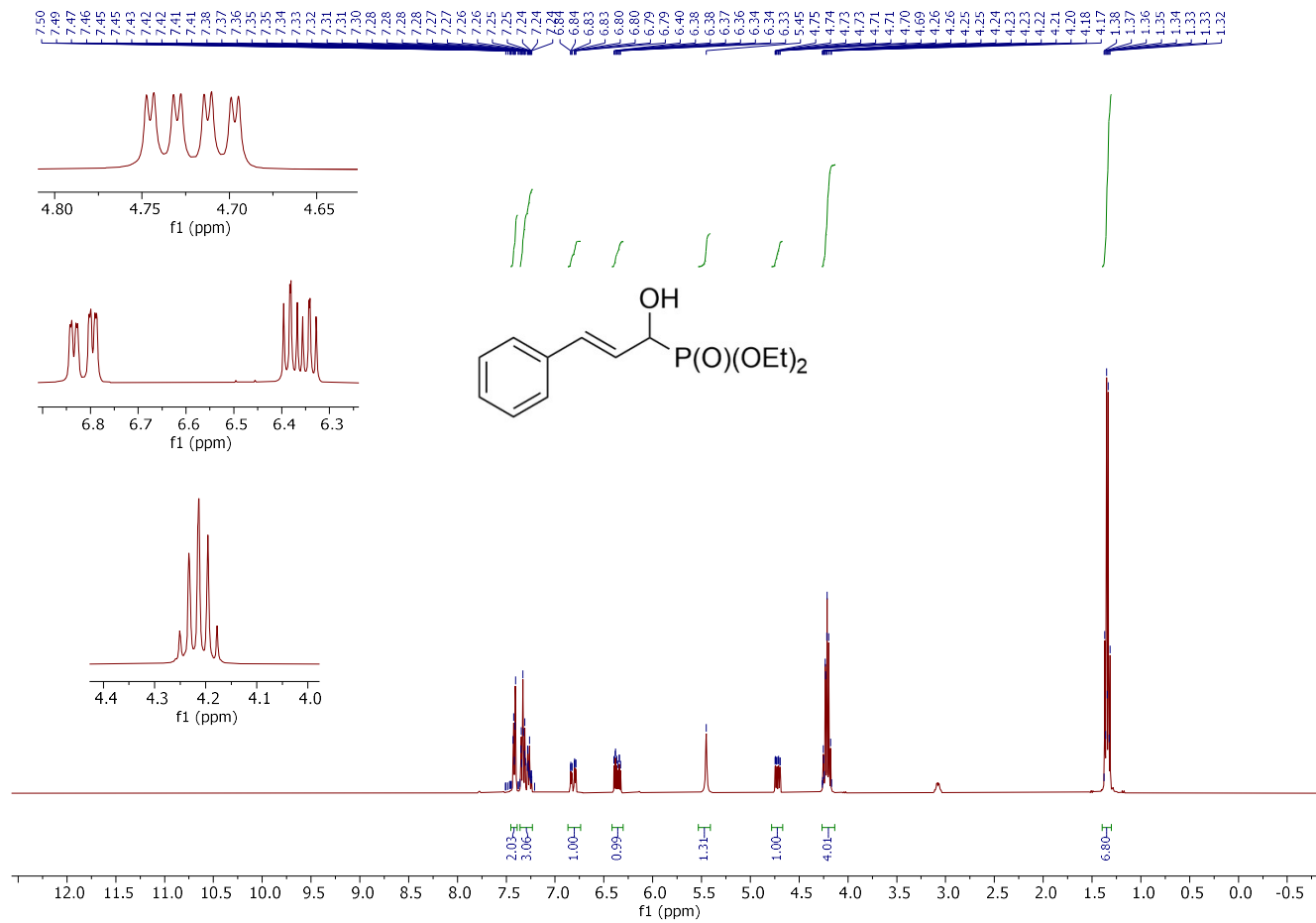


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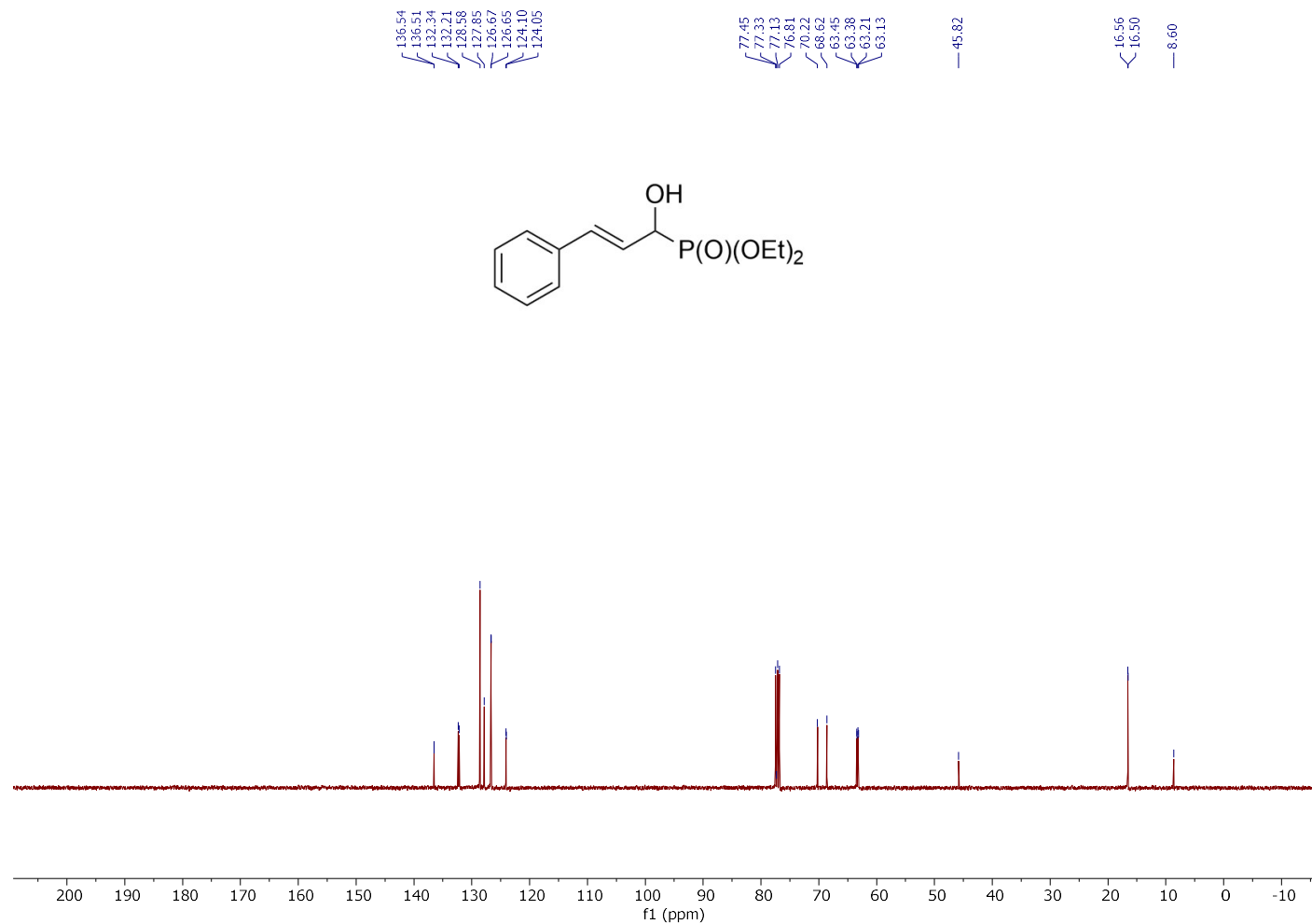


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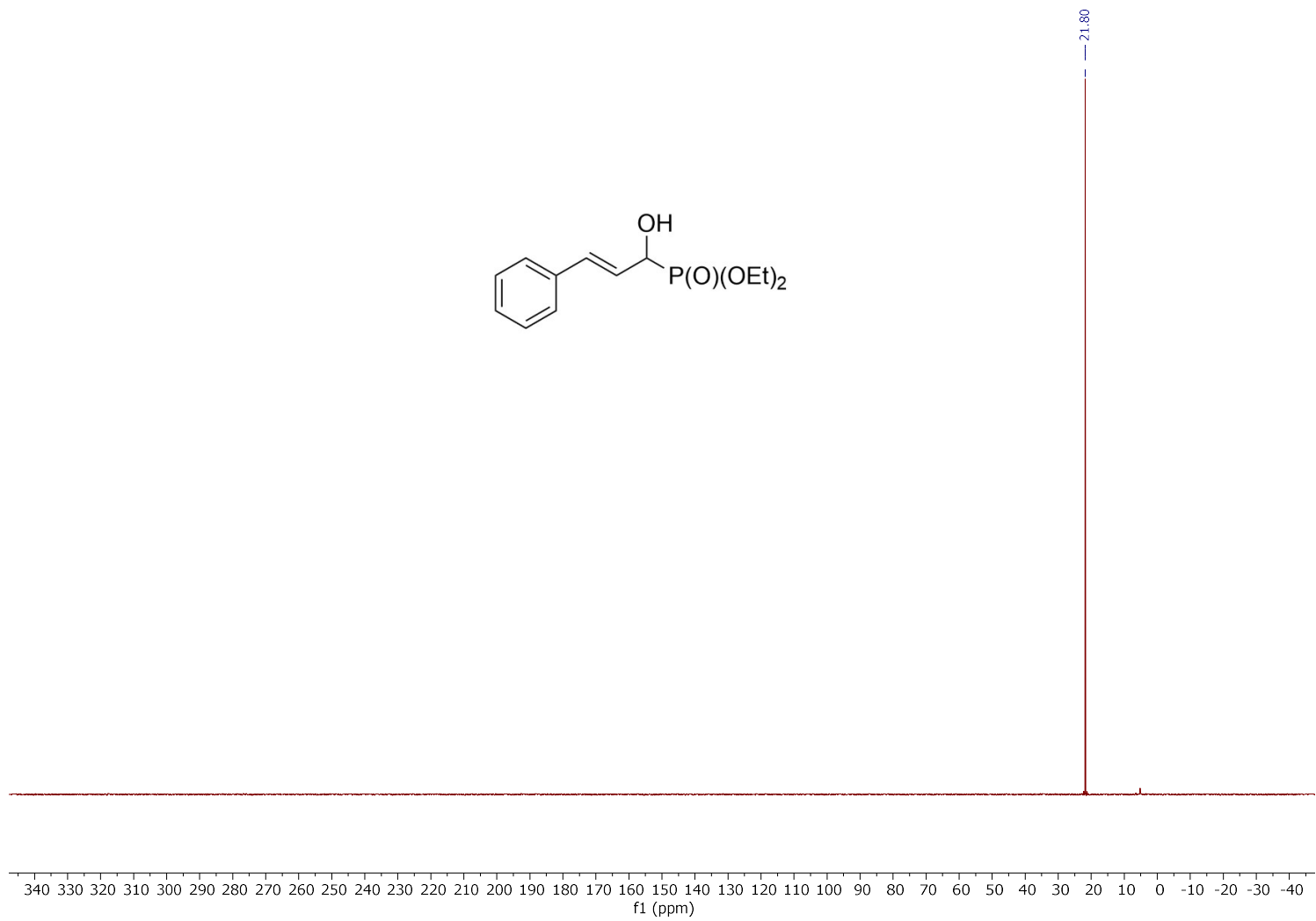


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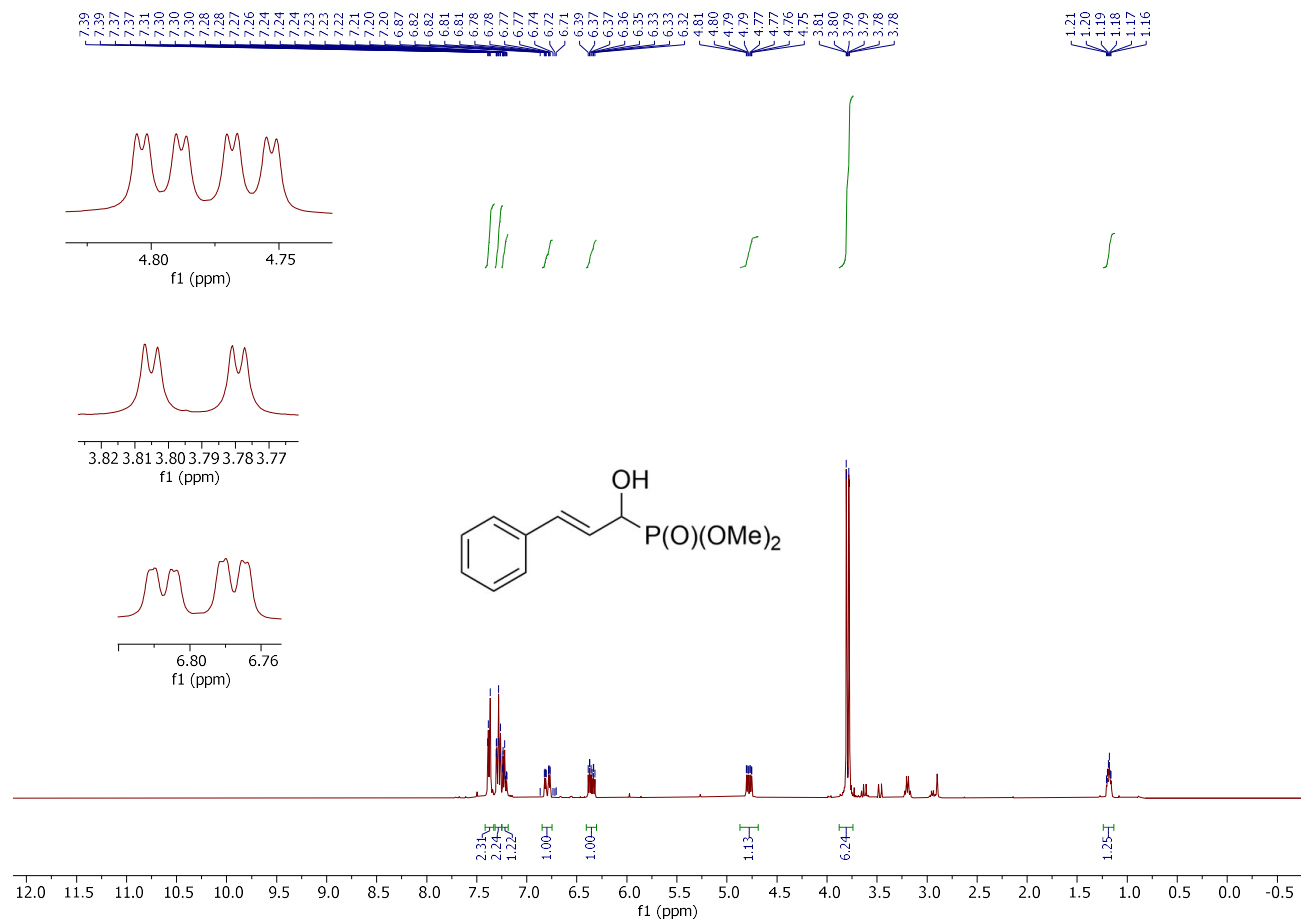


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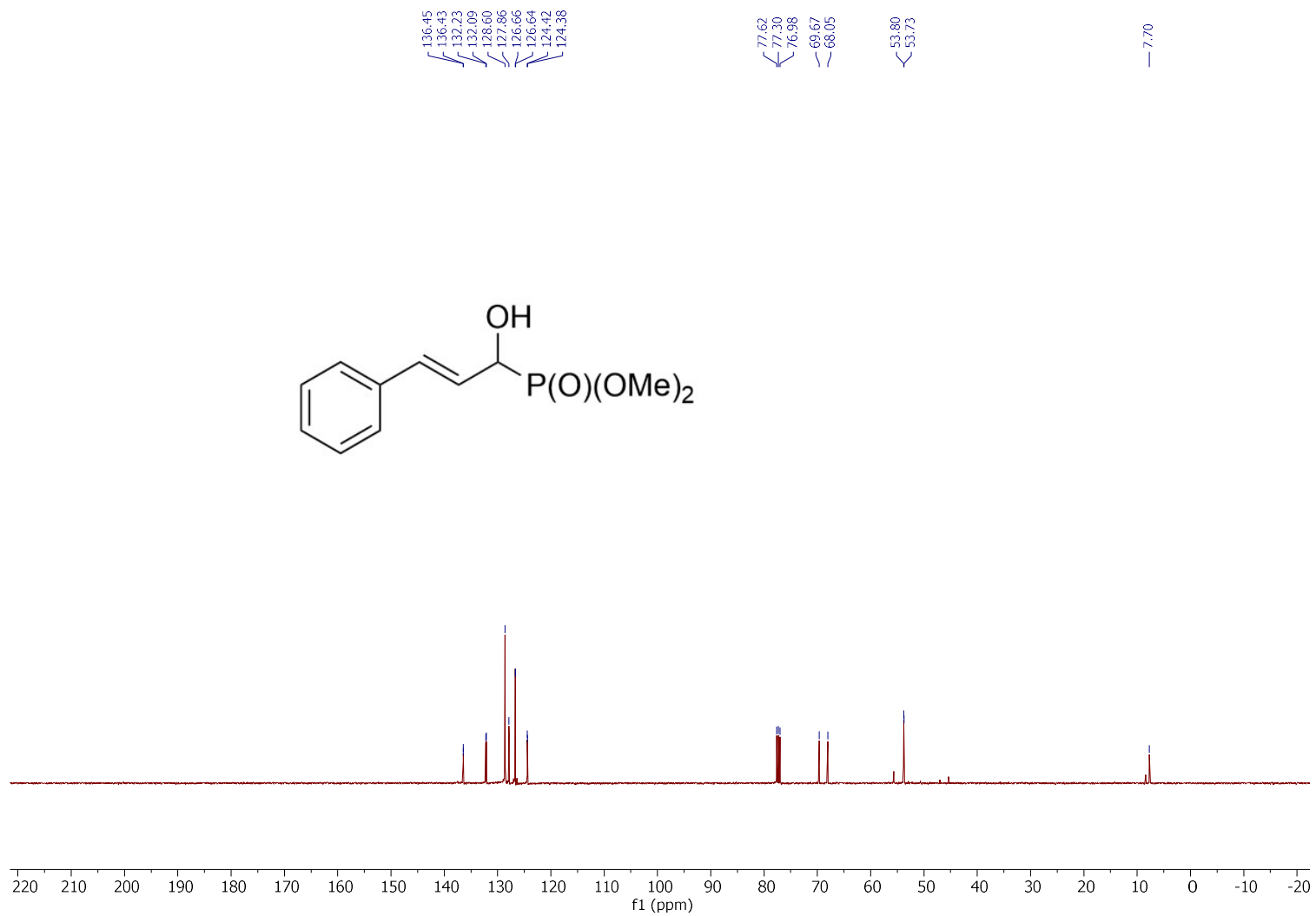


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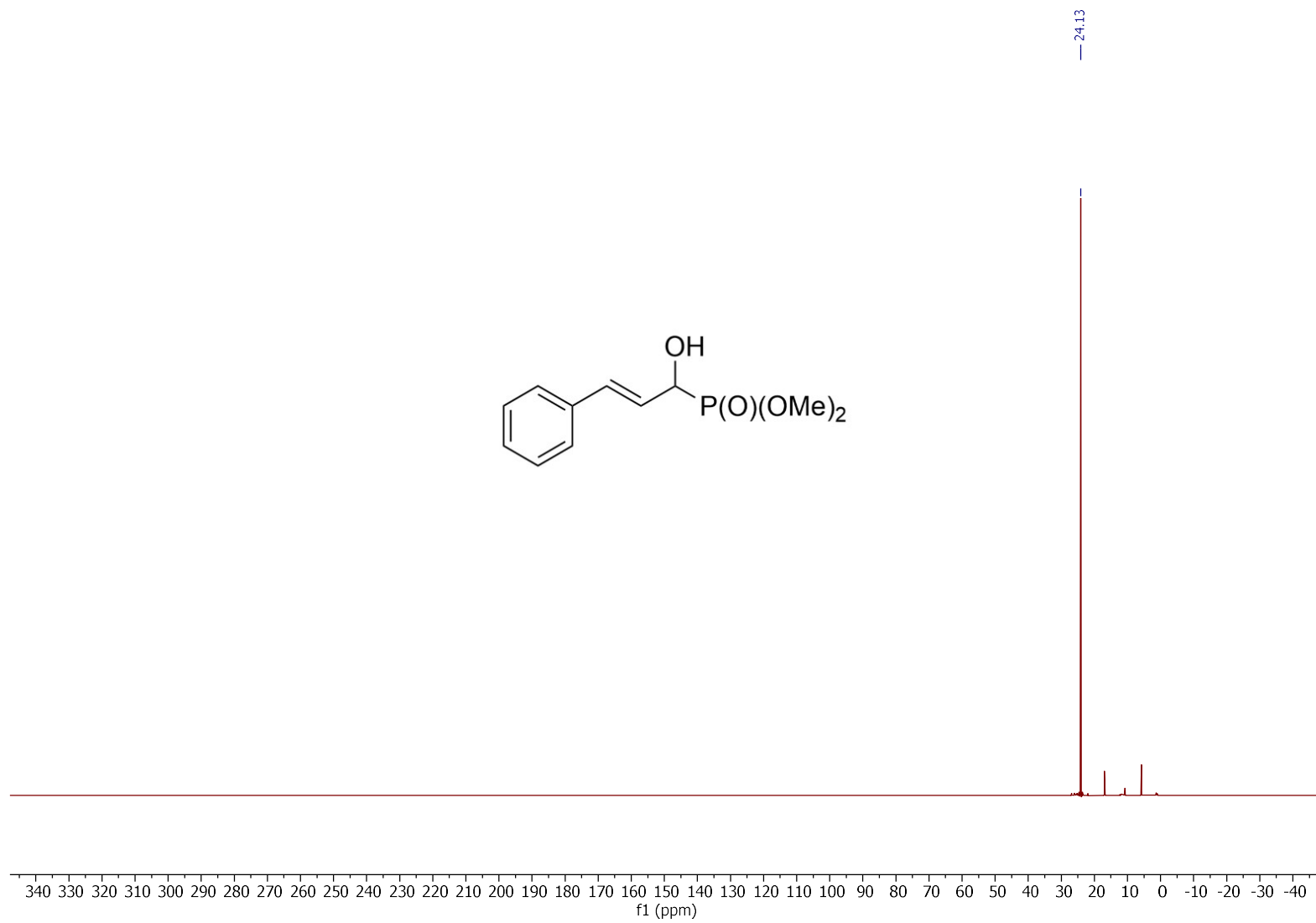


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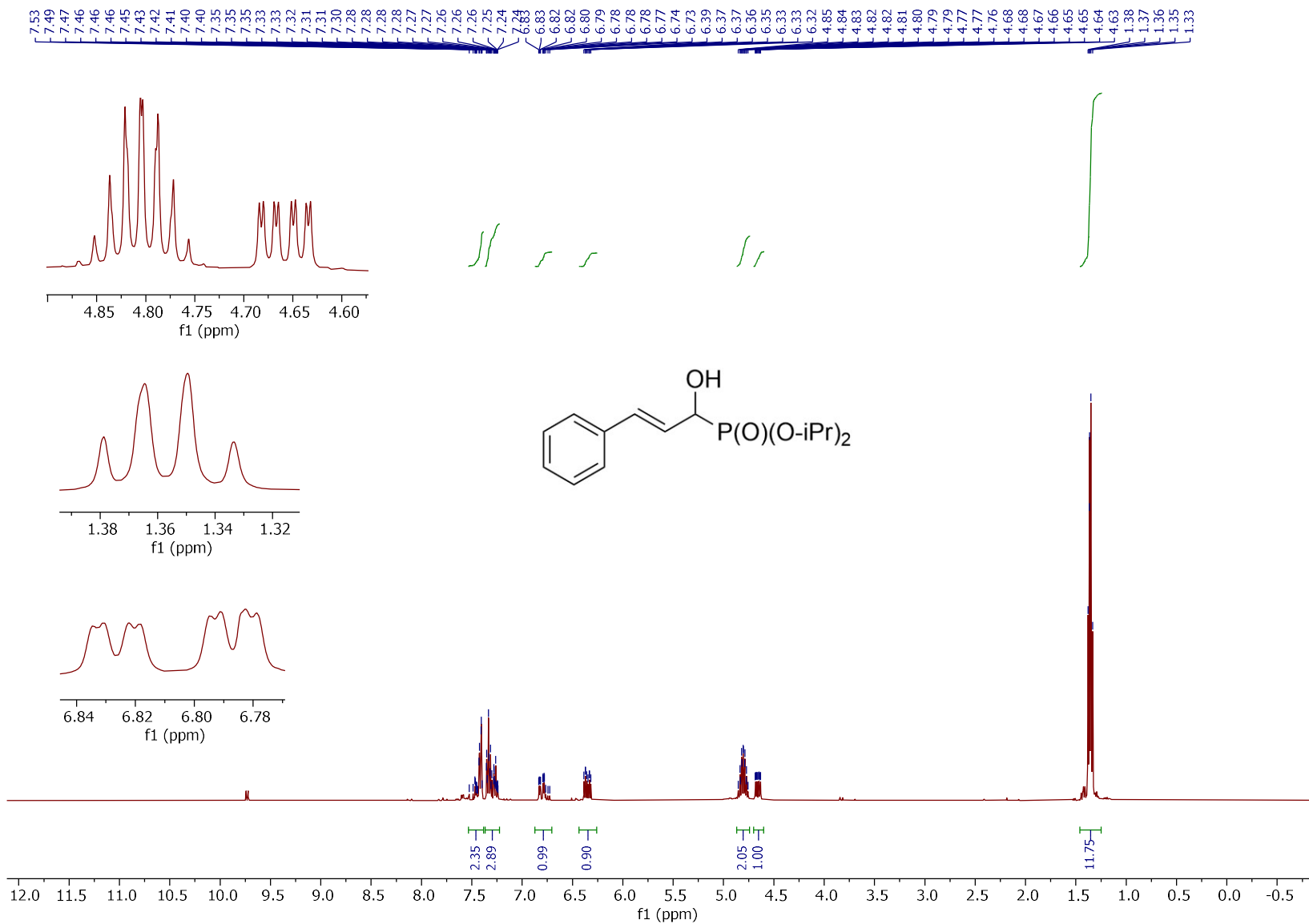


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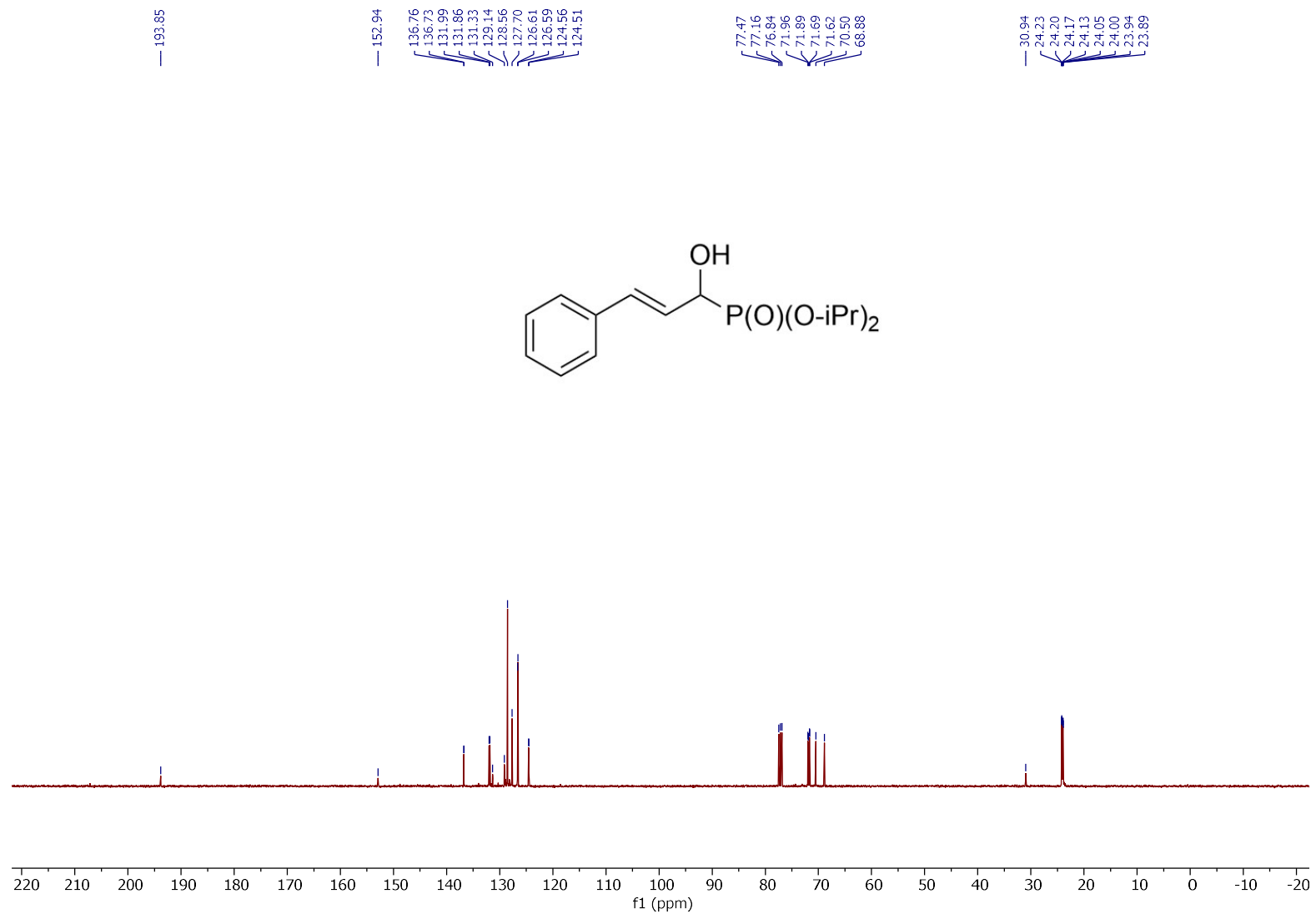


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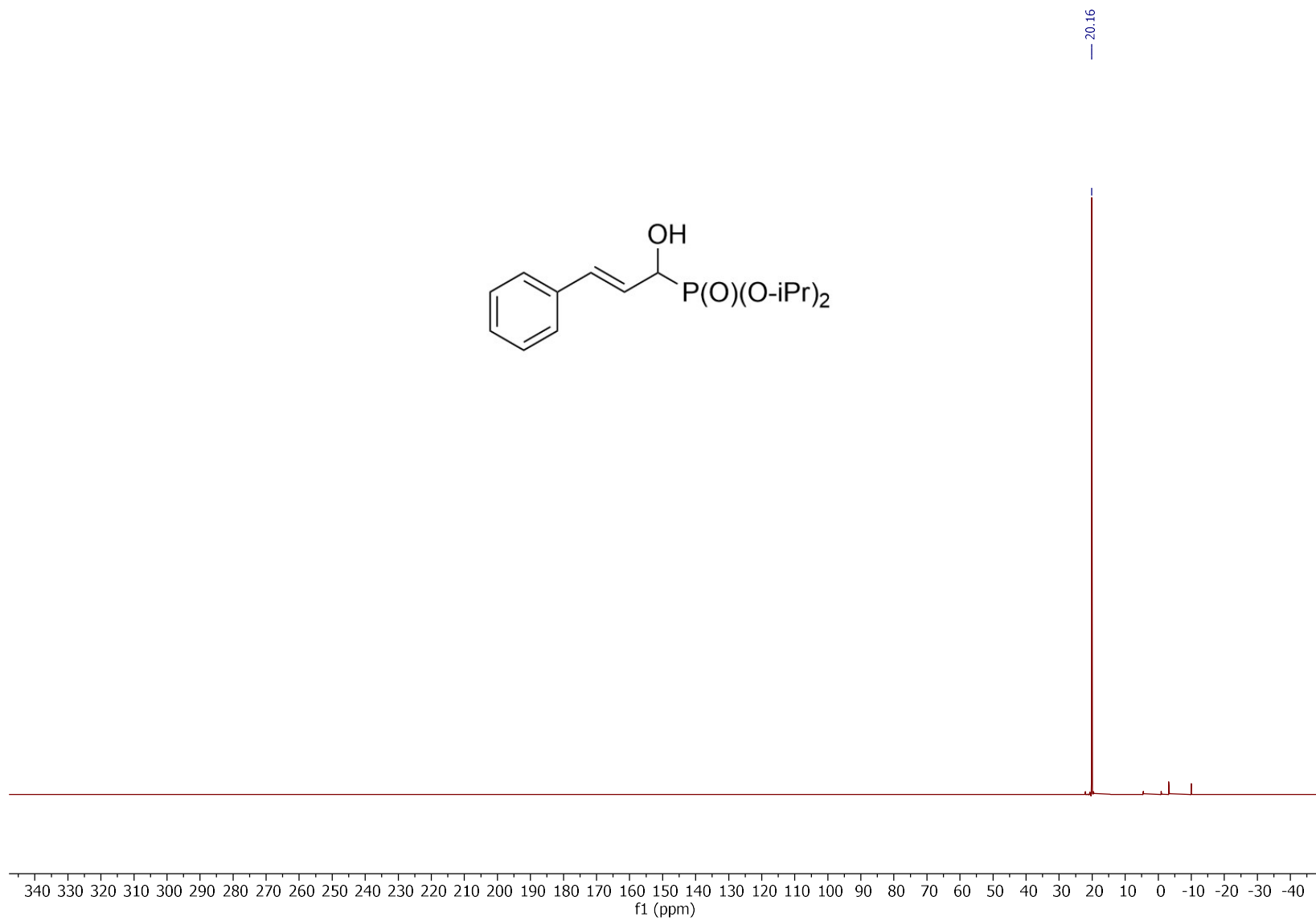


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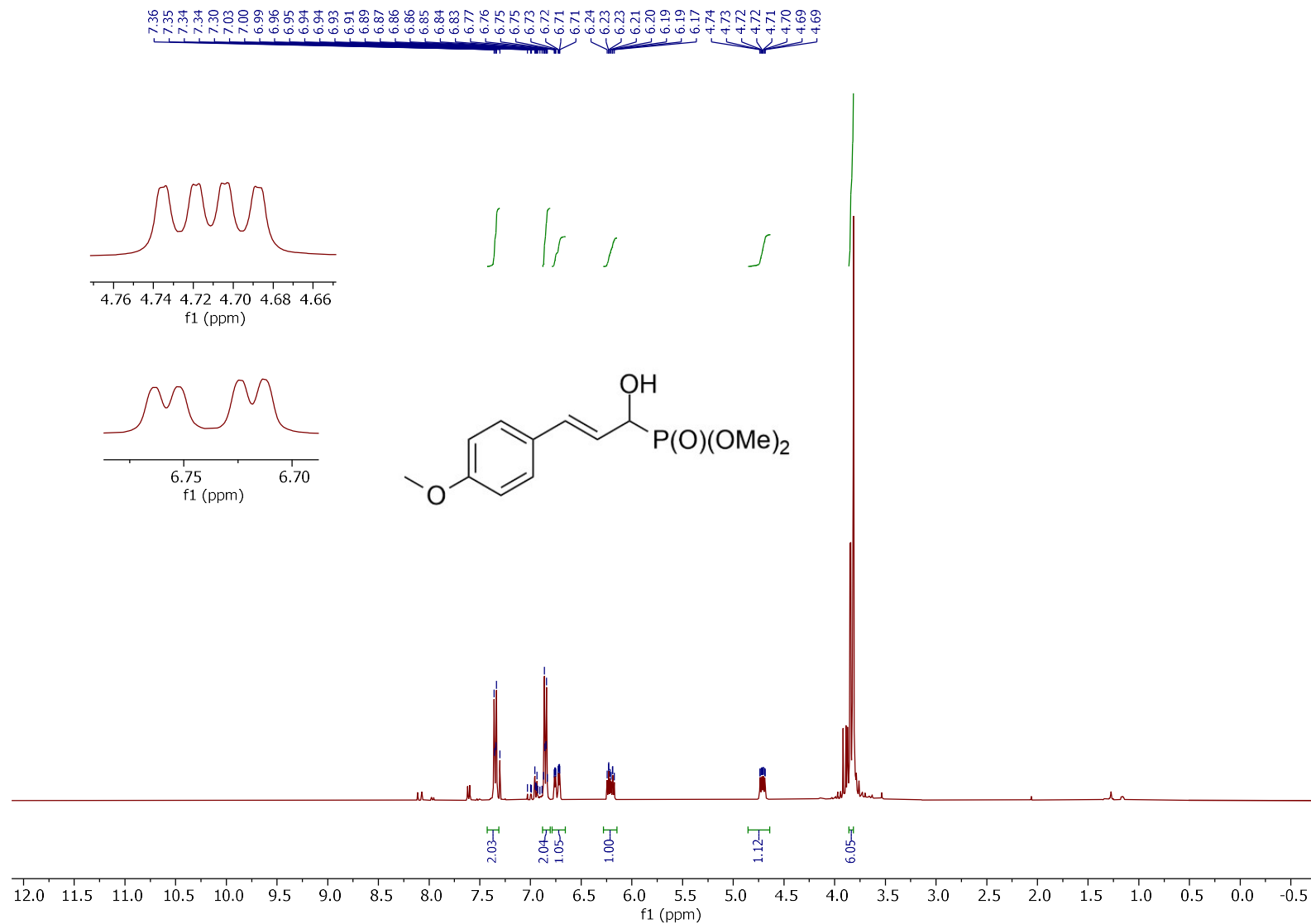


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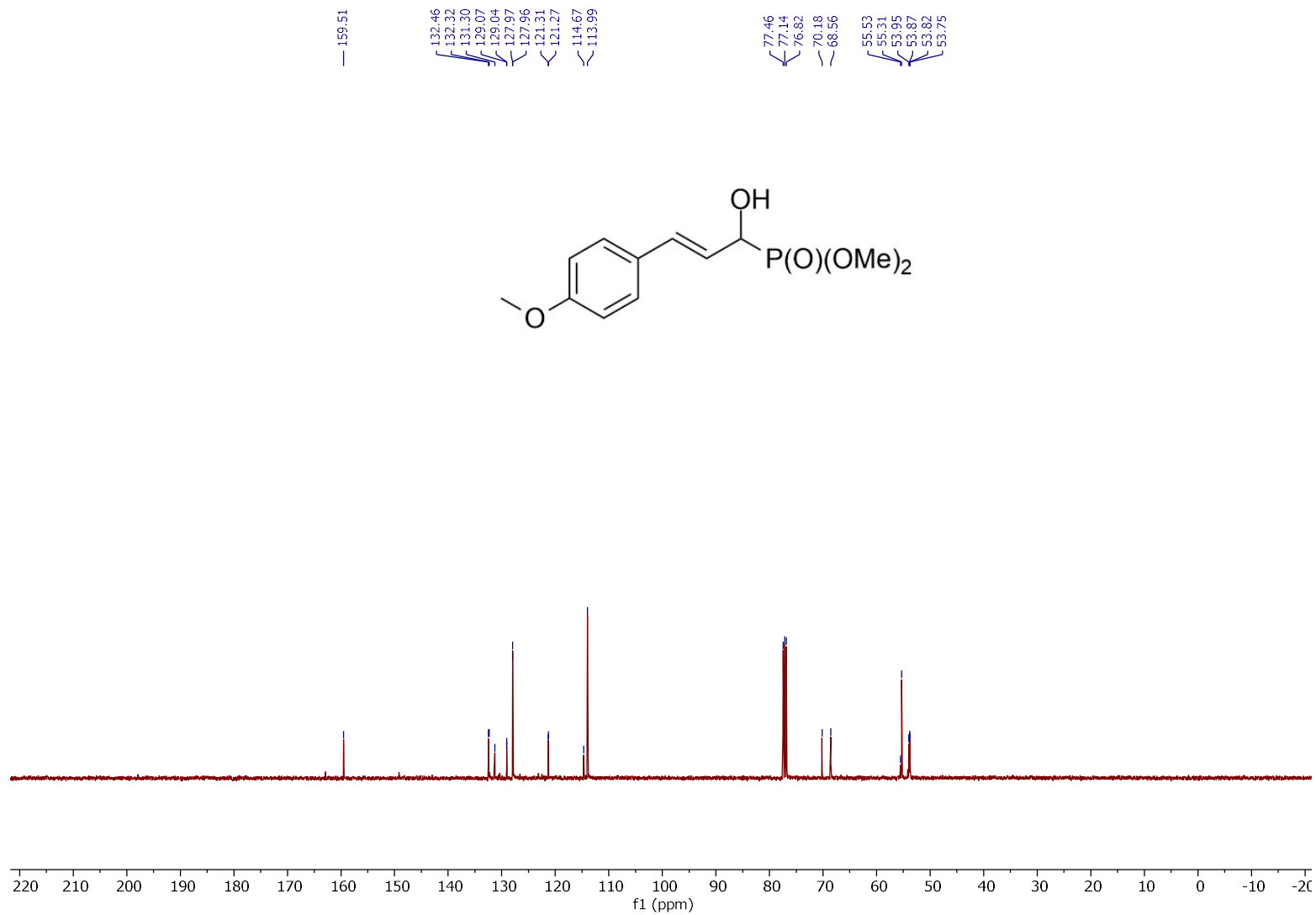


Figure S11: $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR Spectra of 1d in CDCl_3



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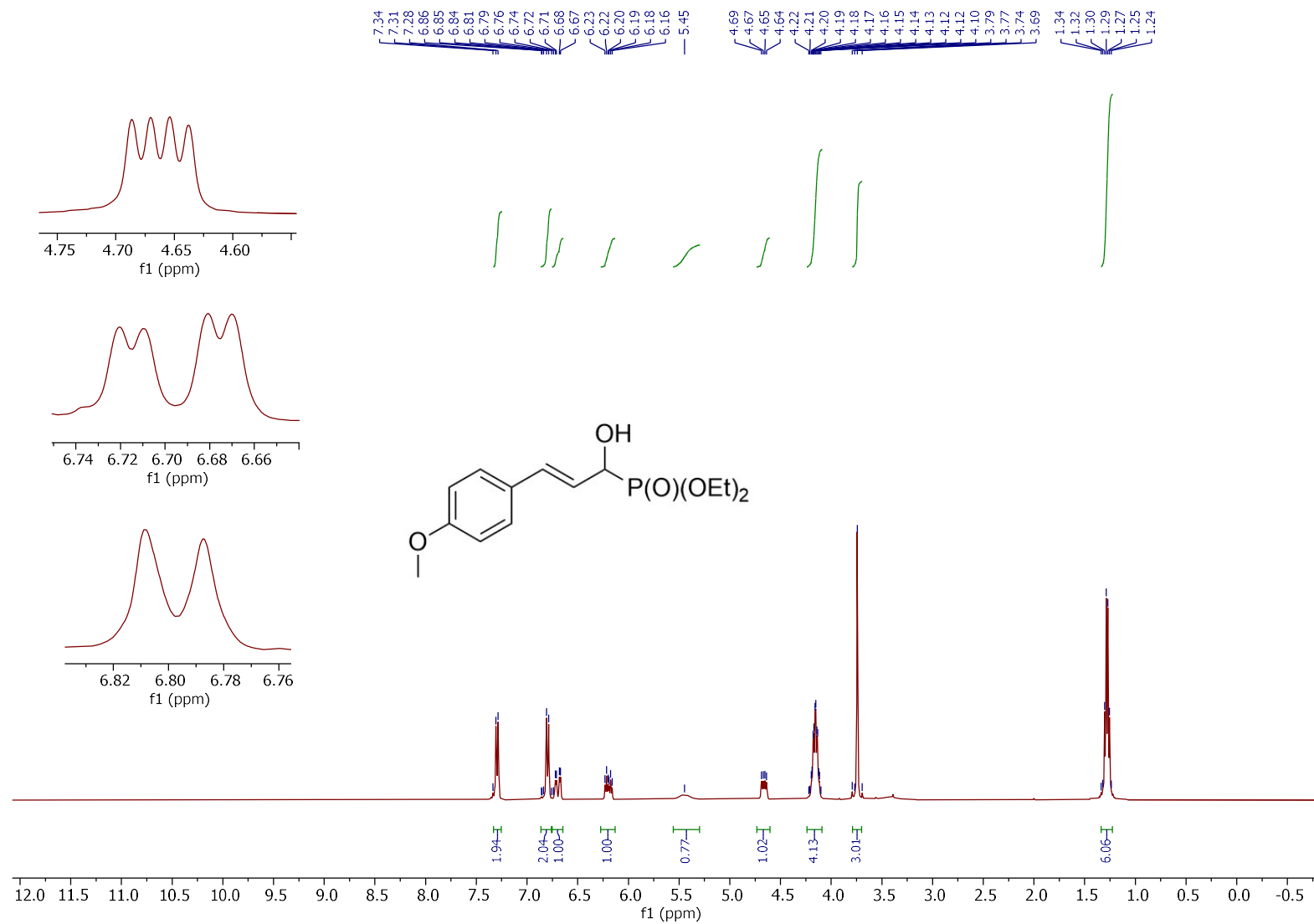


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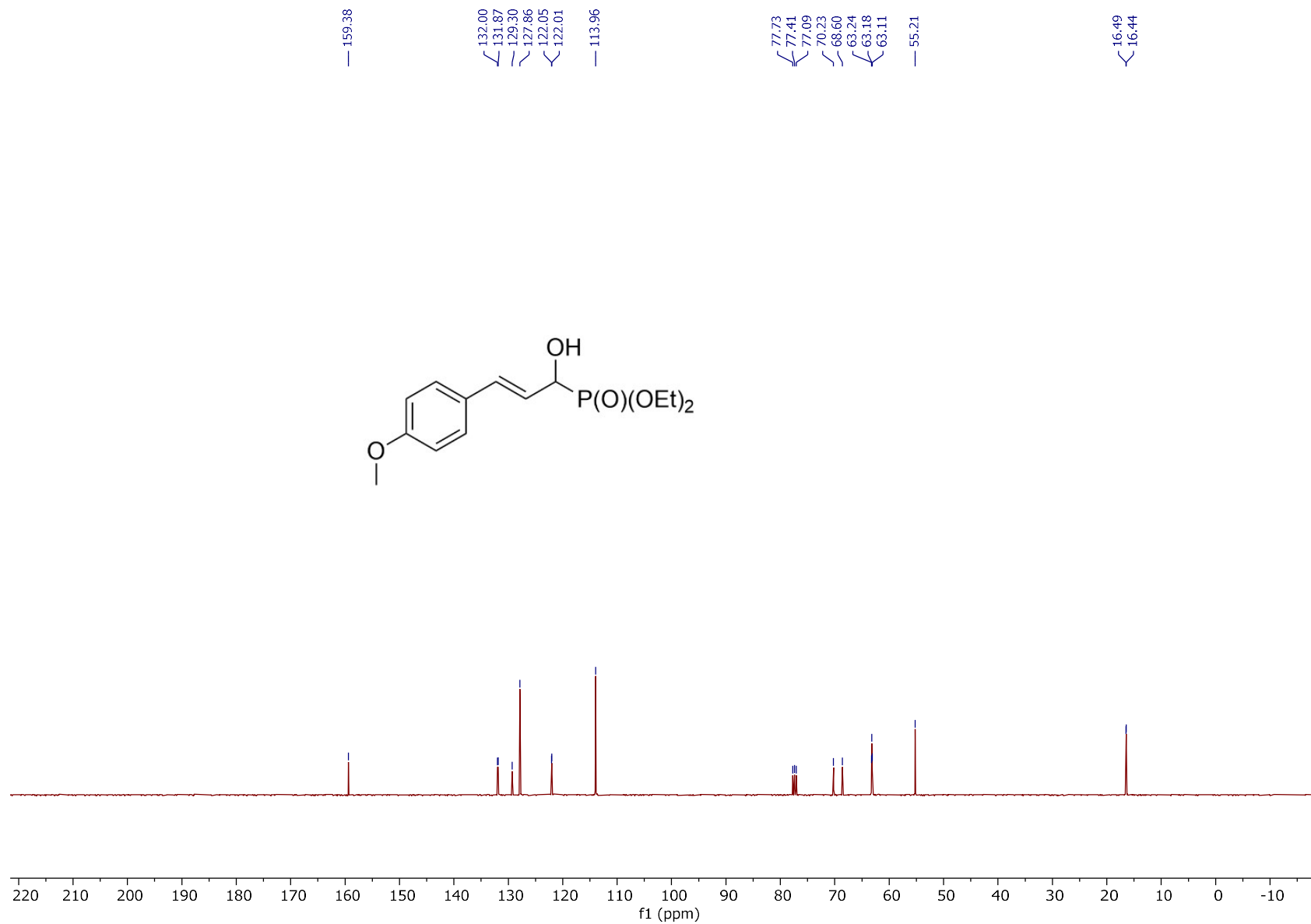


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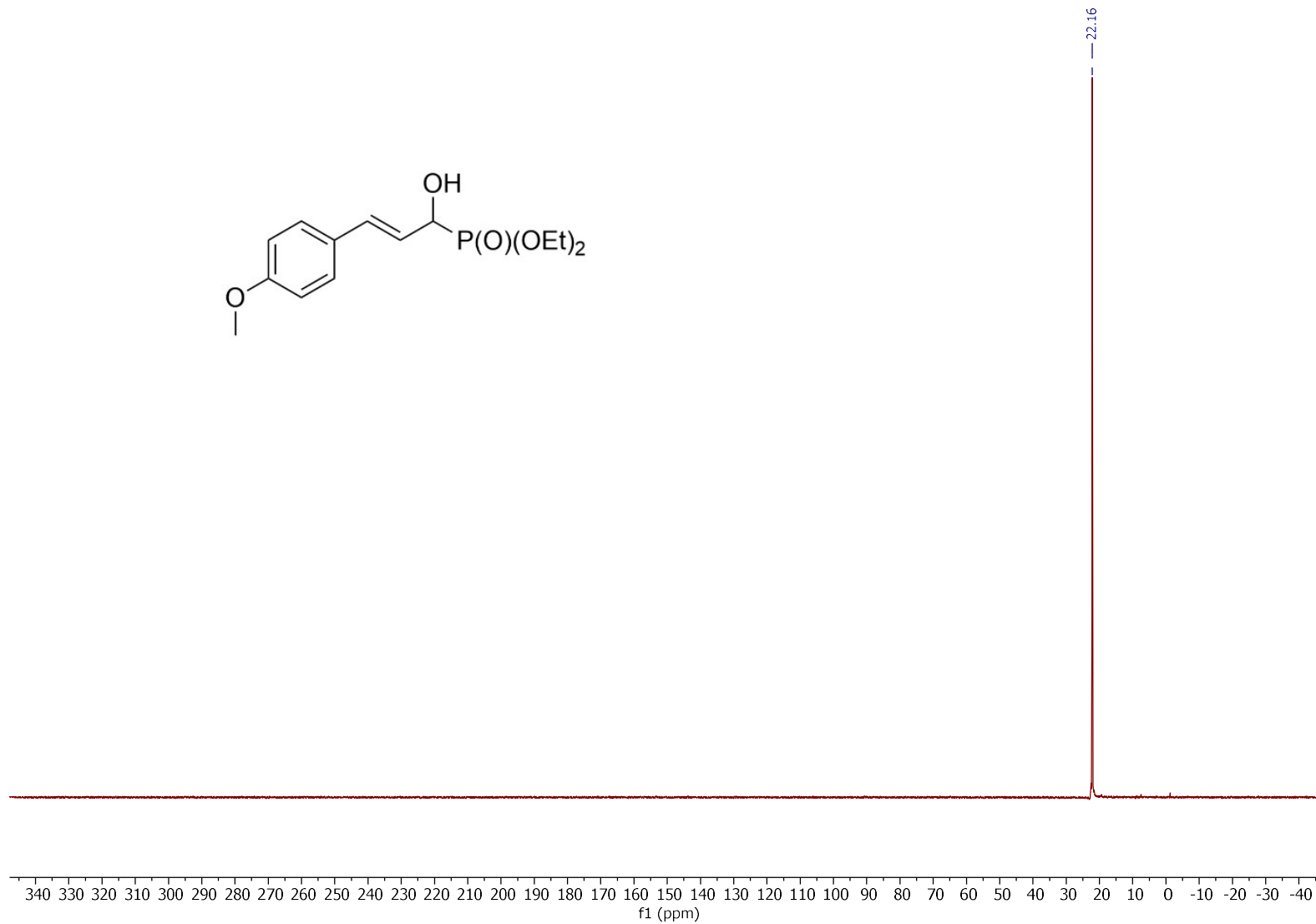


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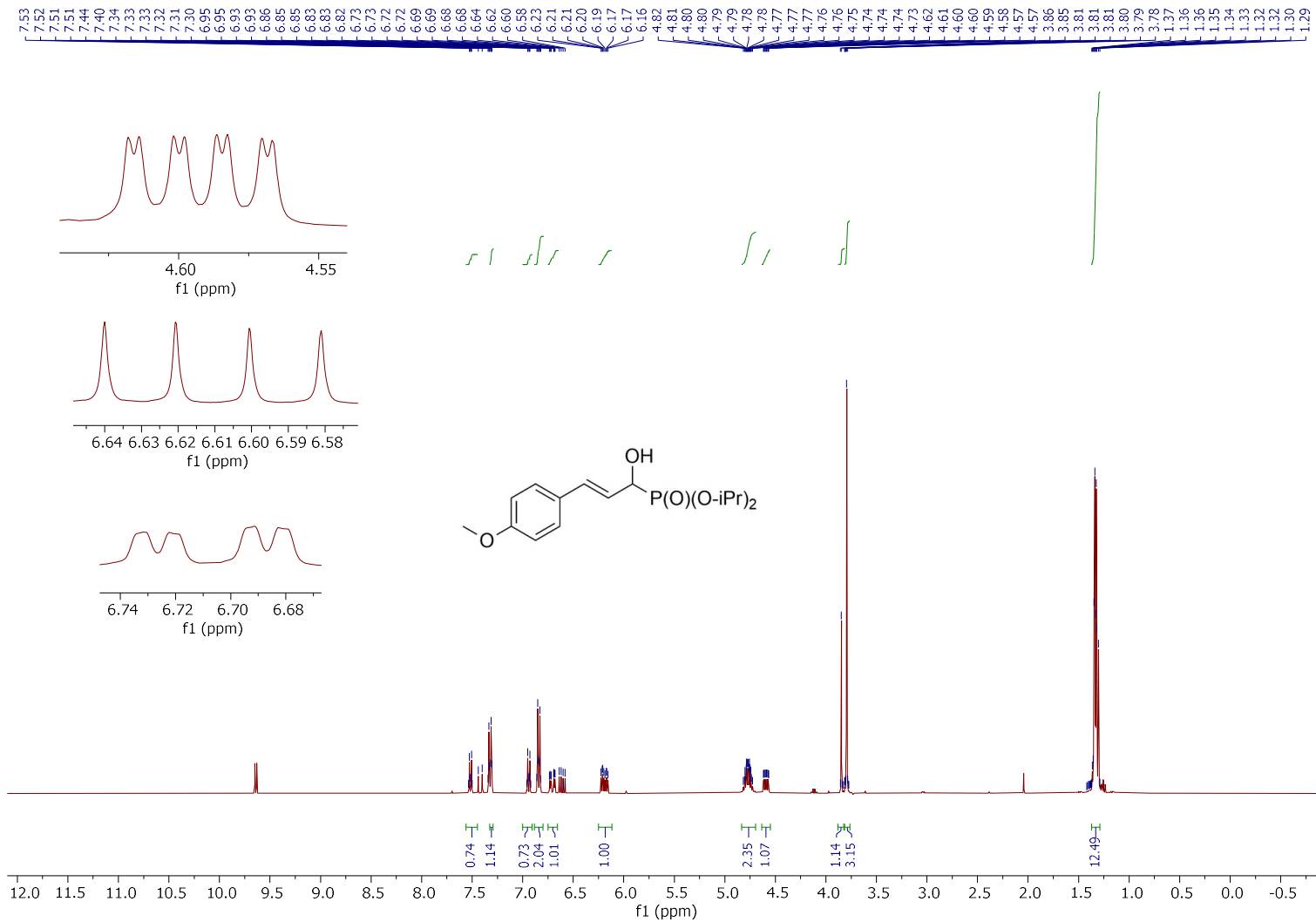


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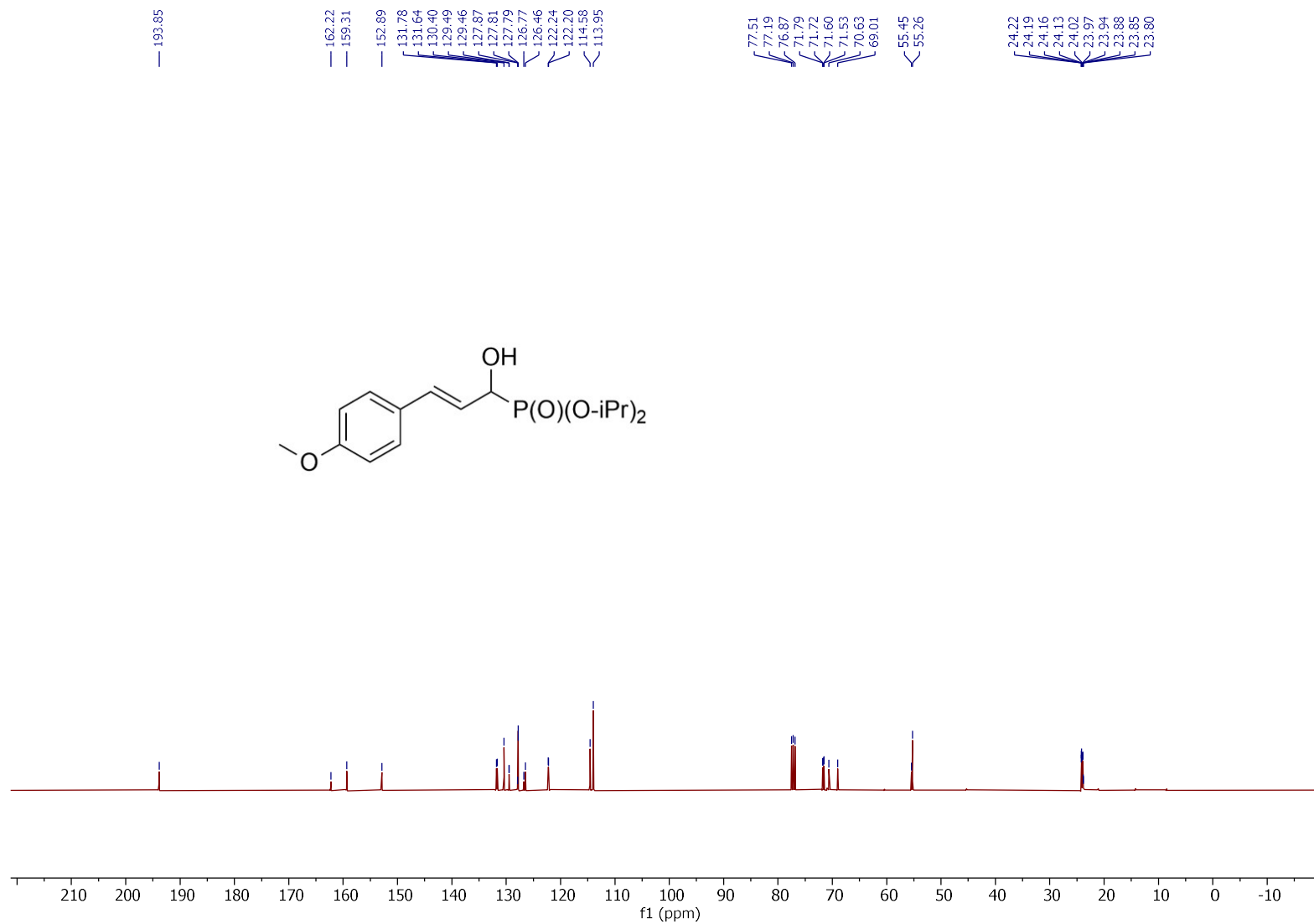


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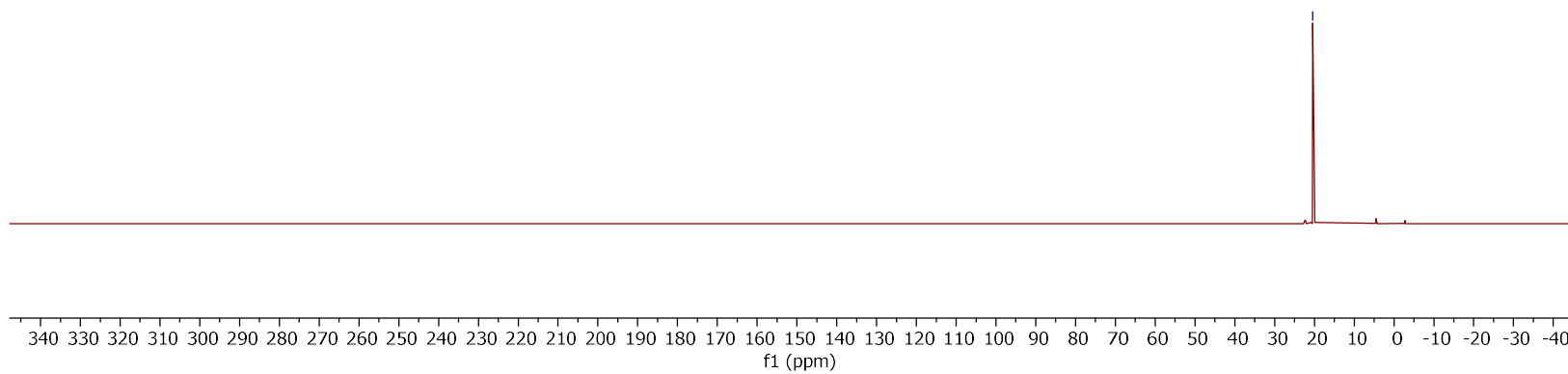
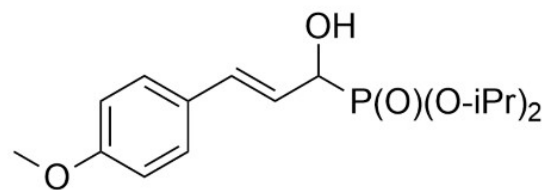


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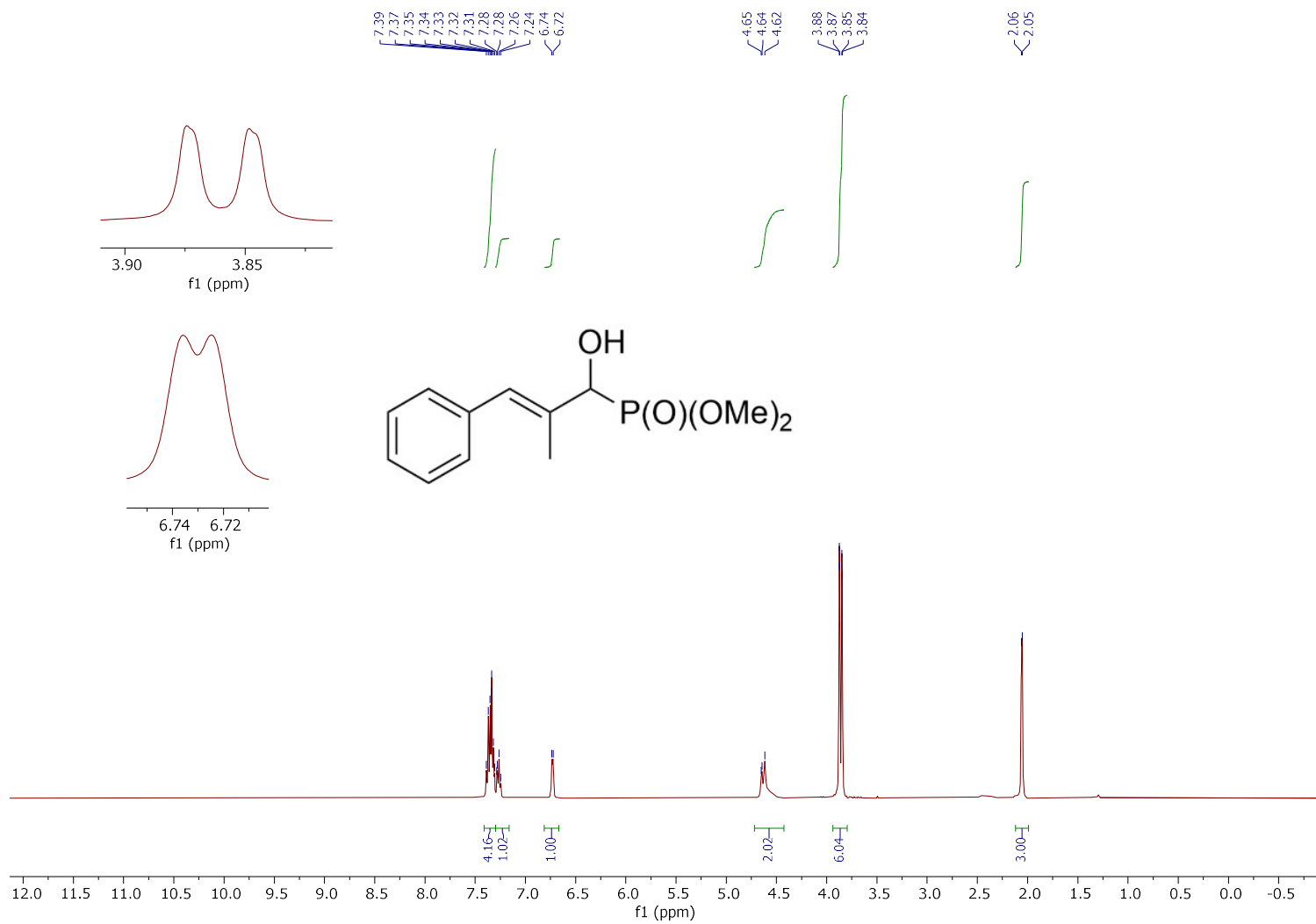


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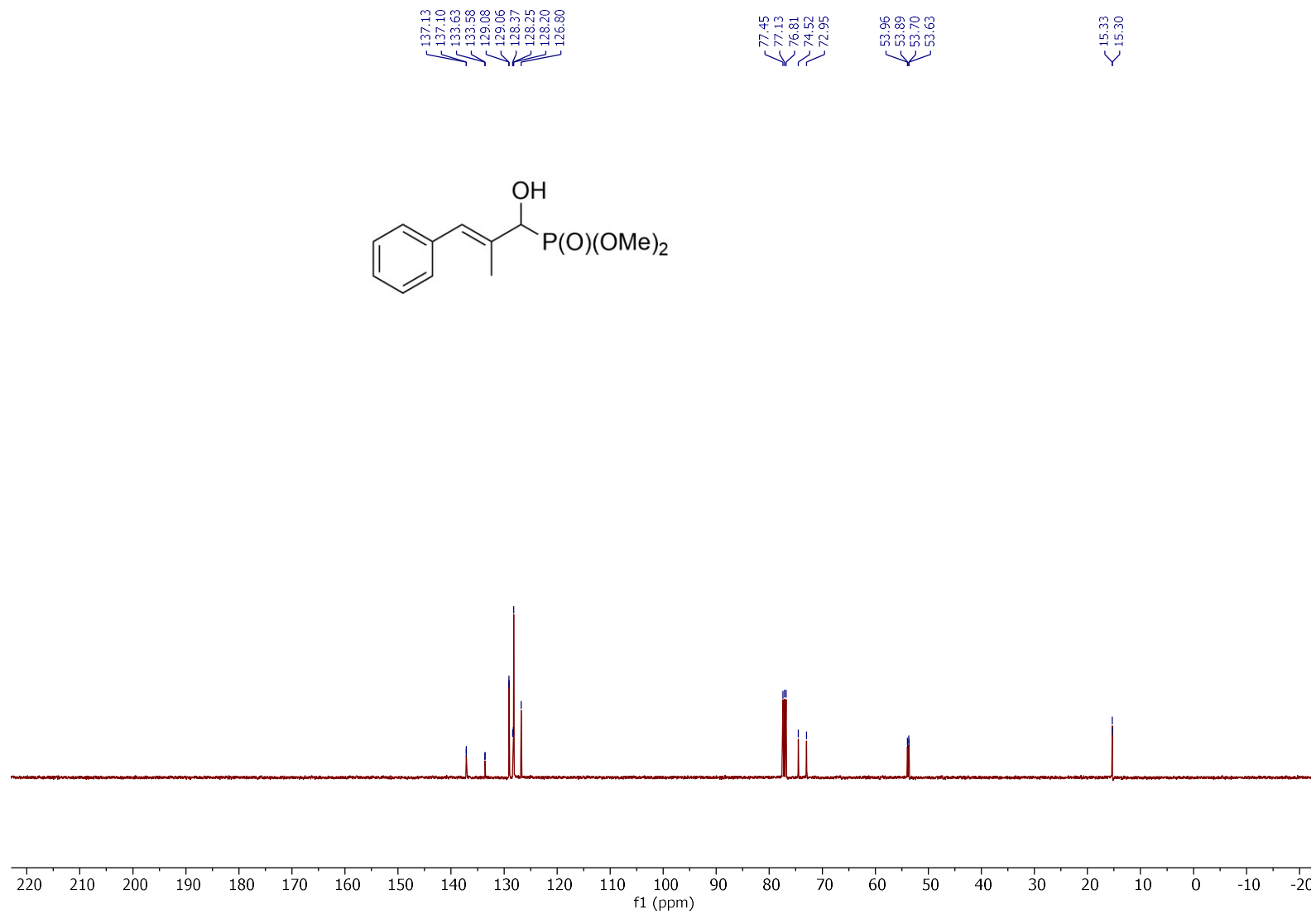


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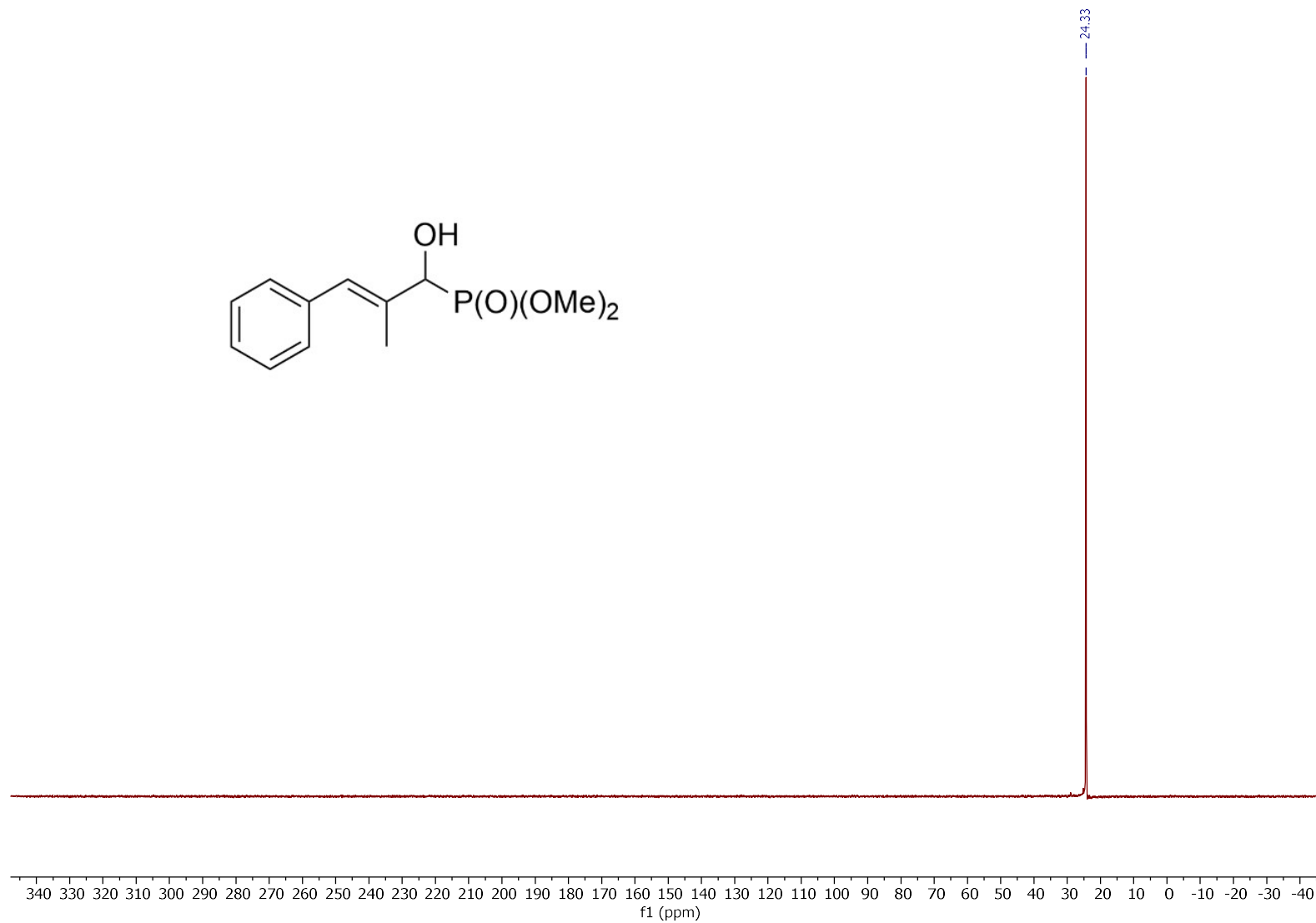


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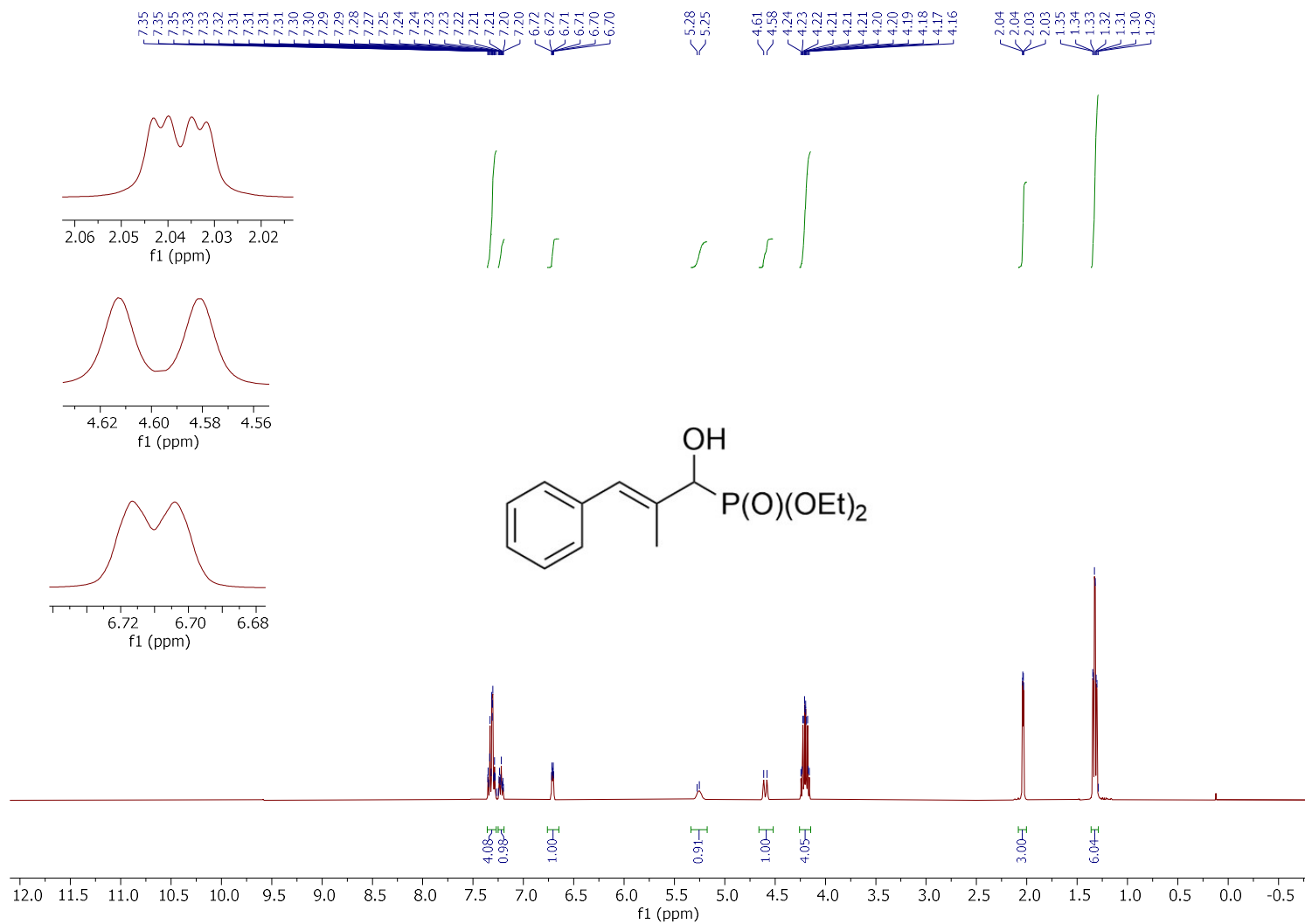


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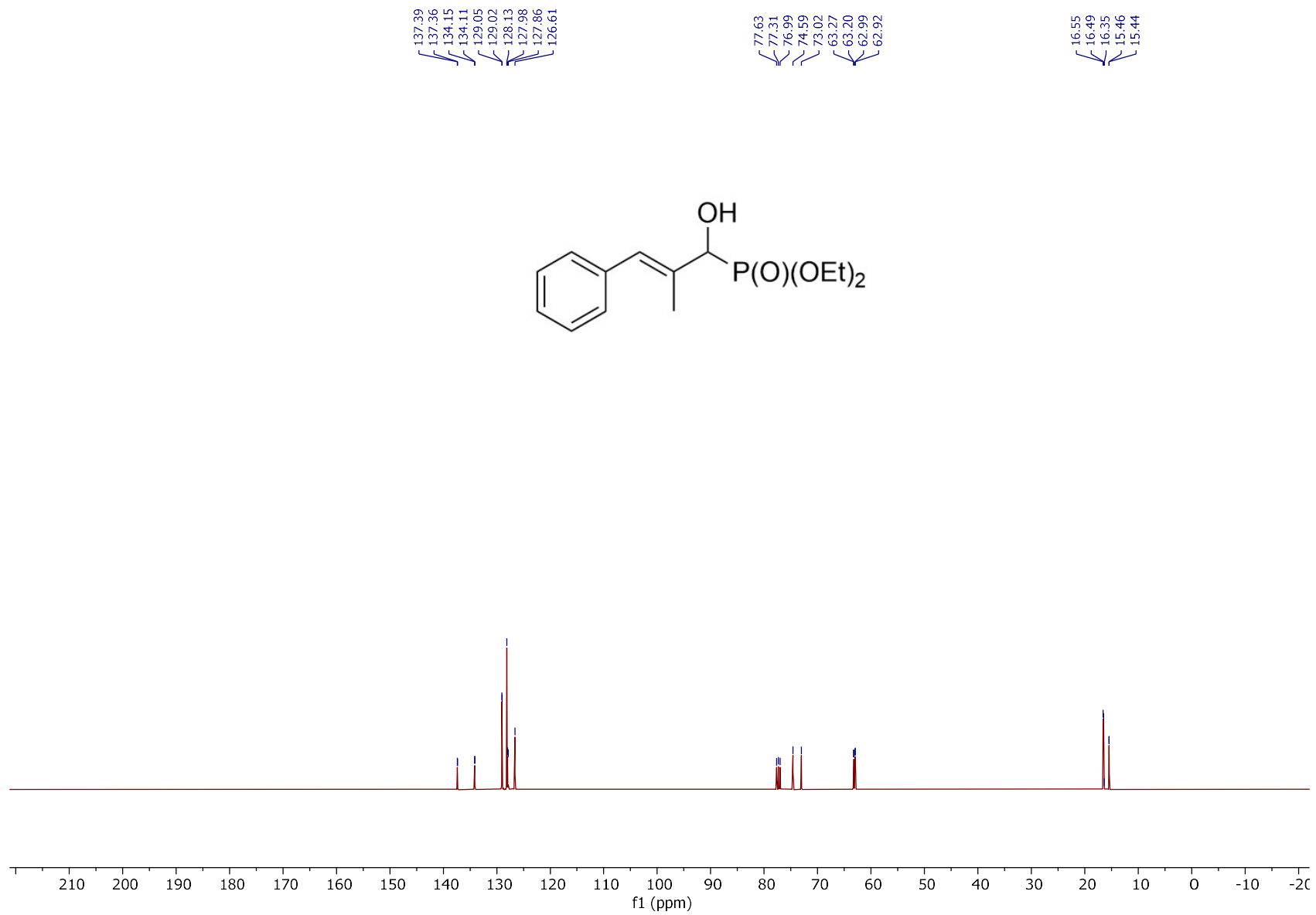


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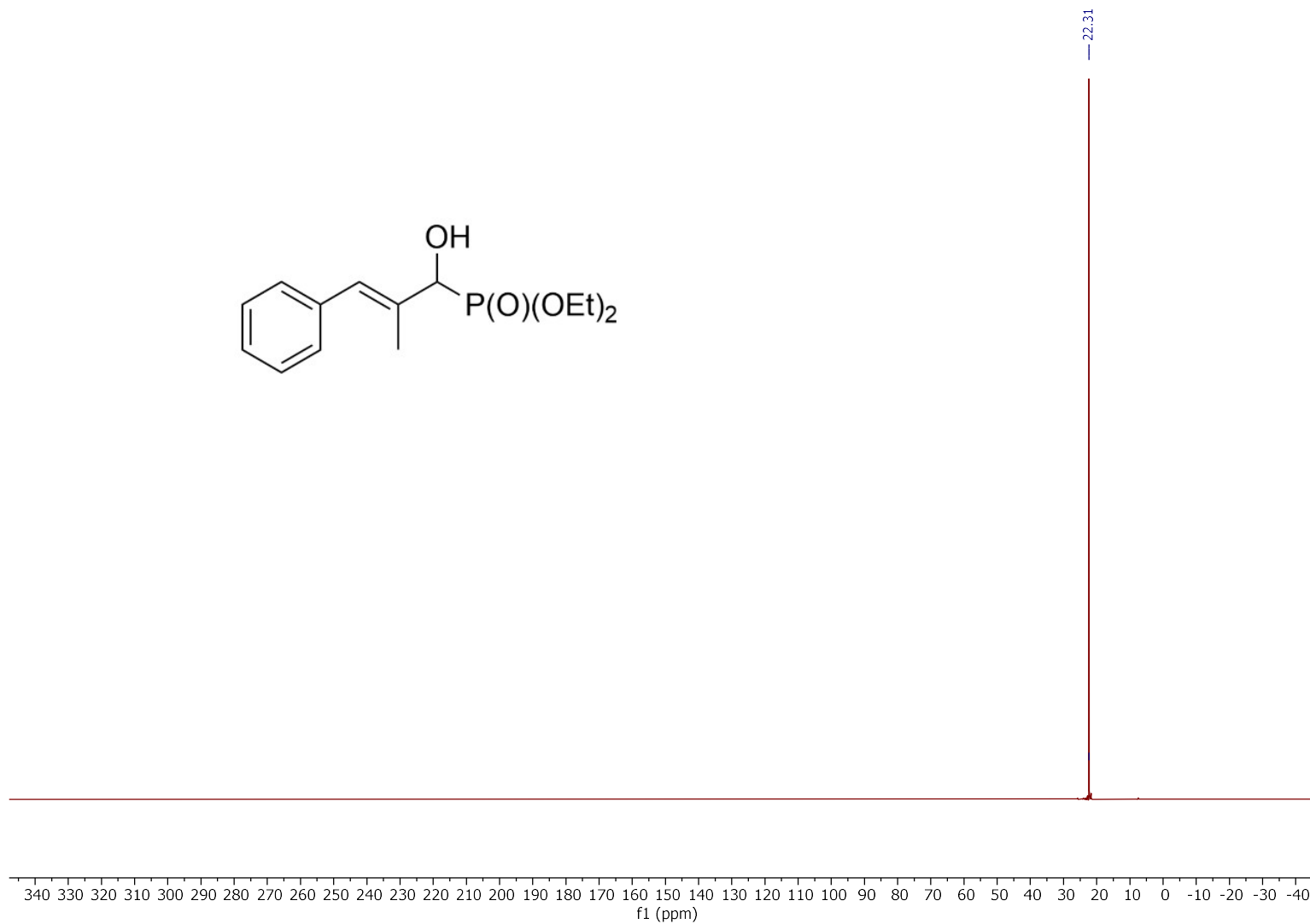


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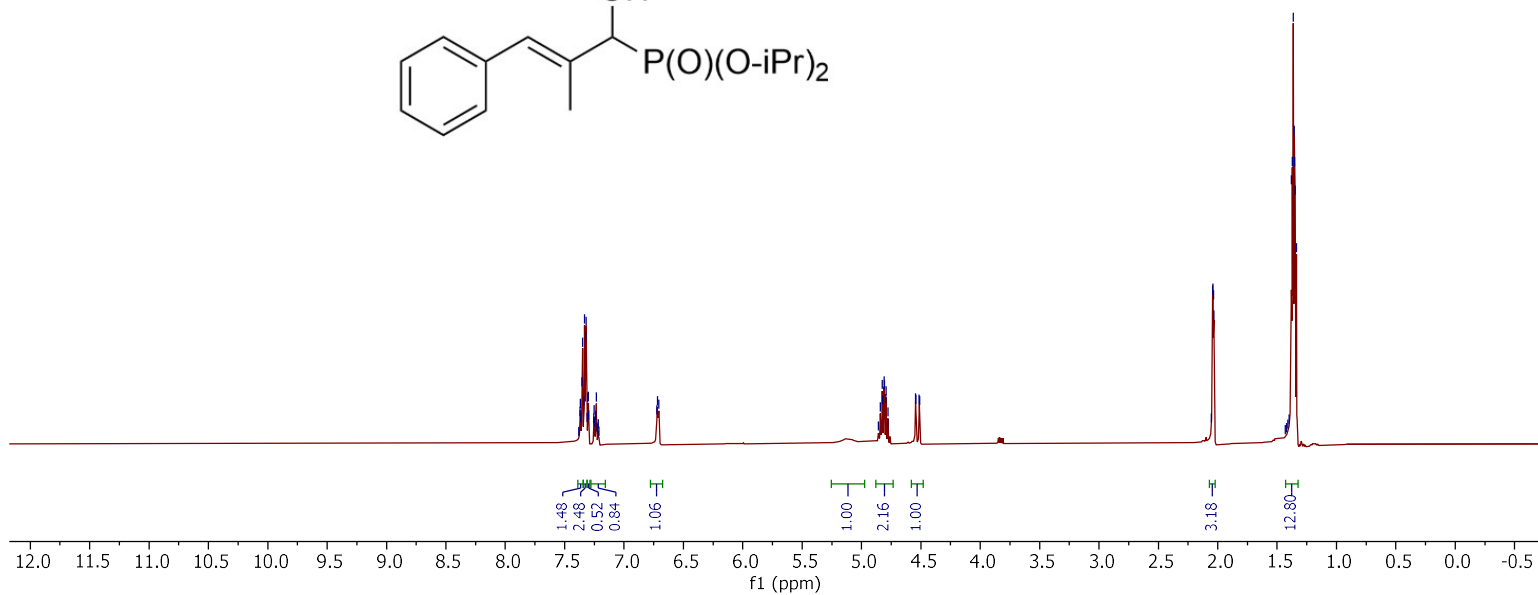
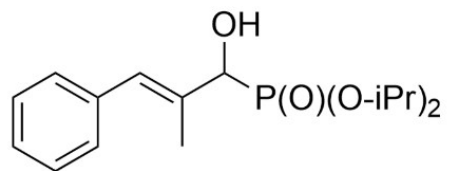
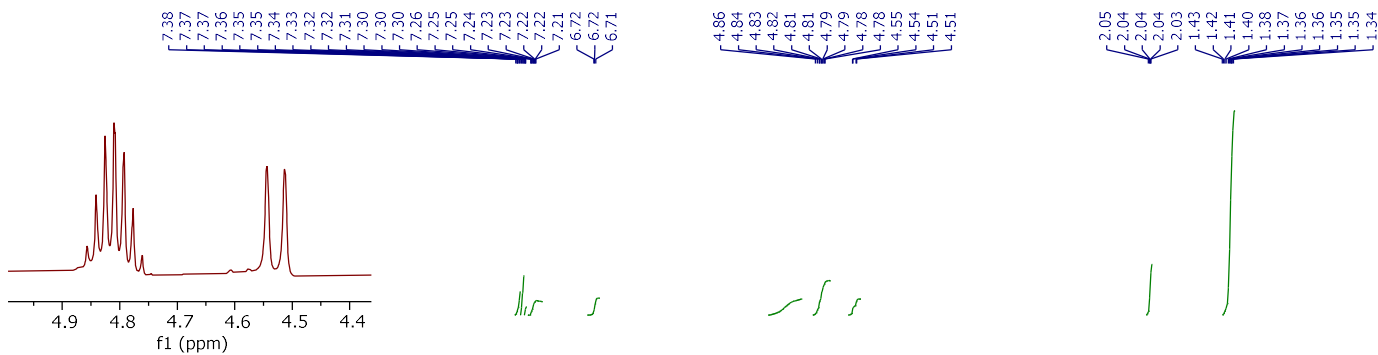


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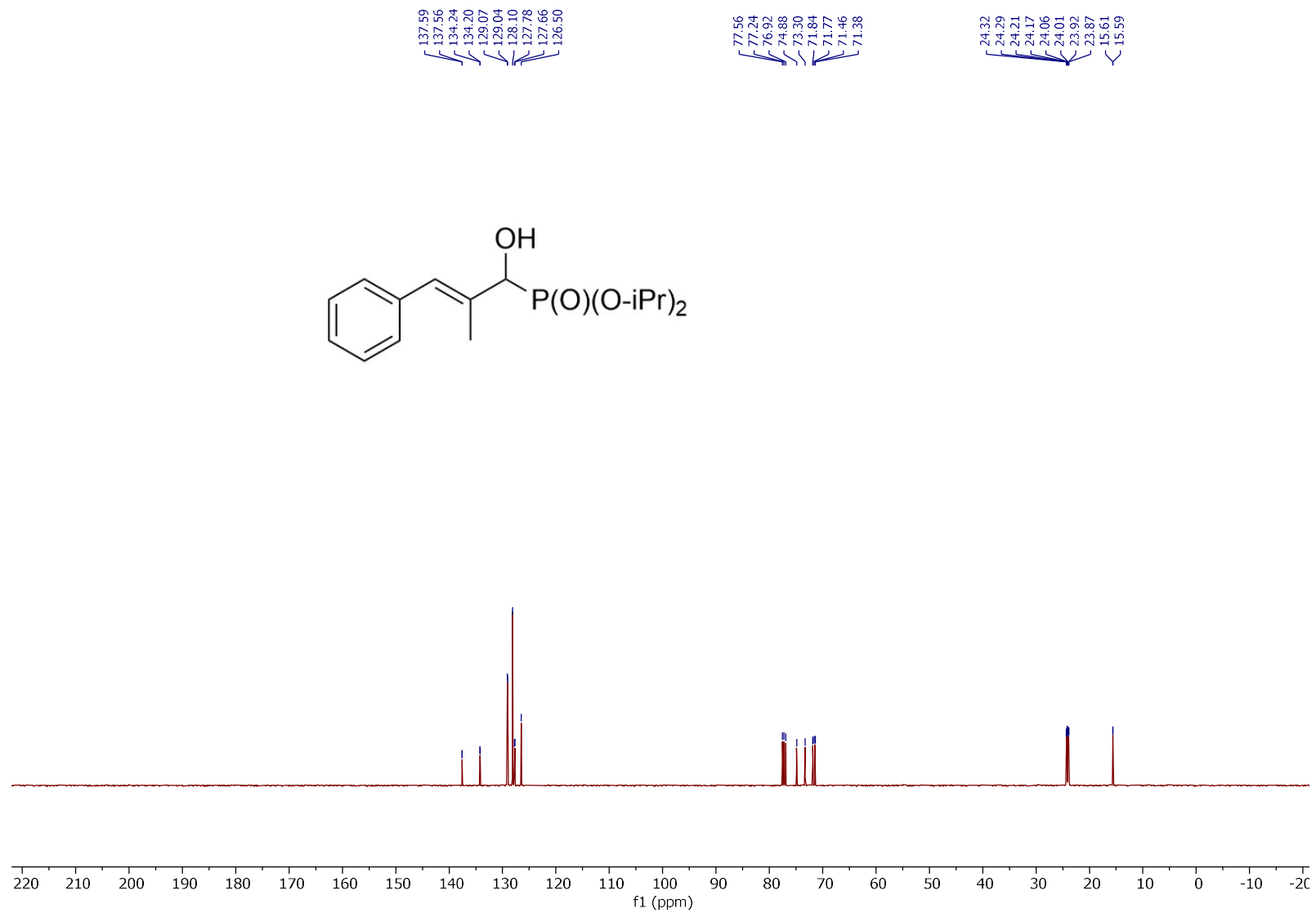


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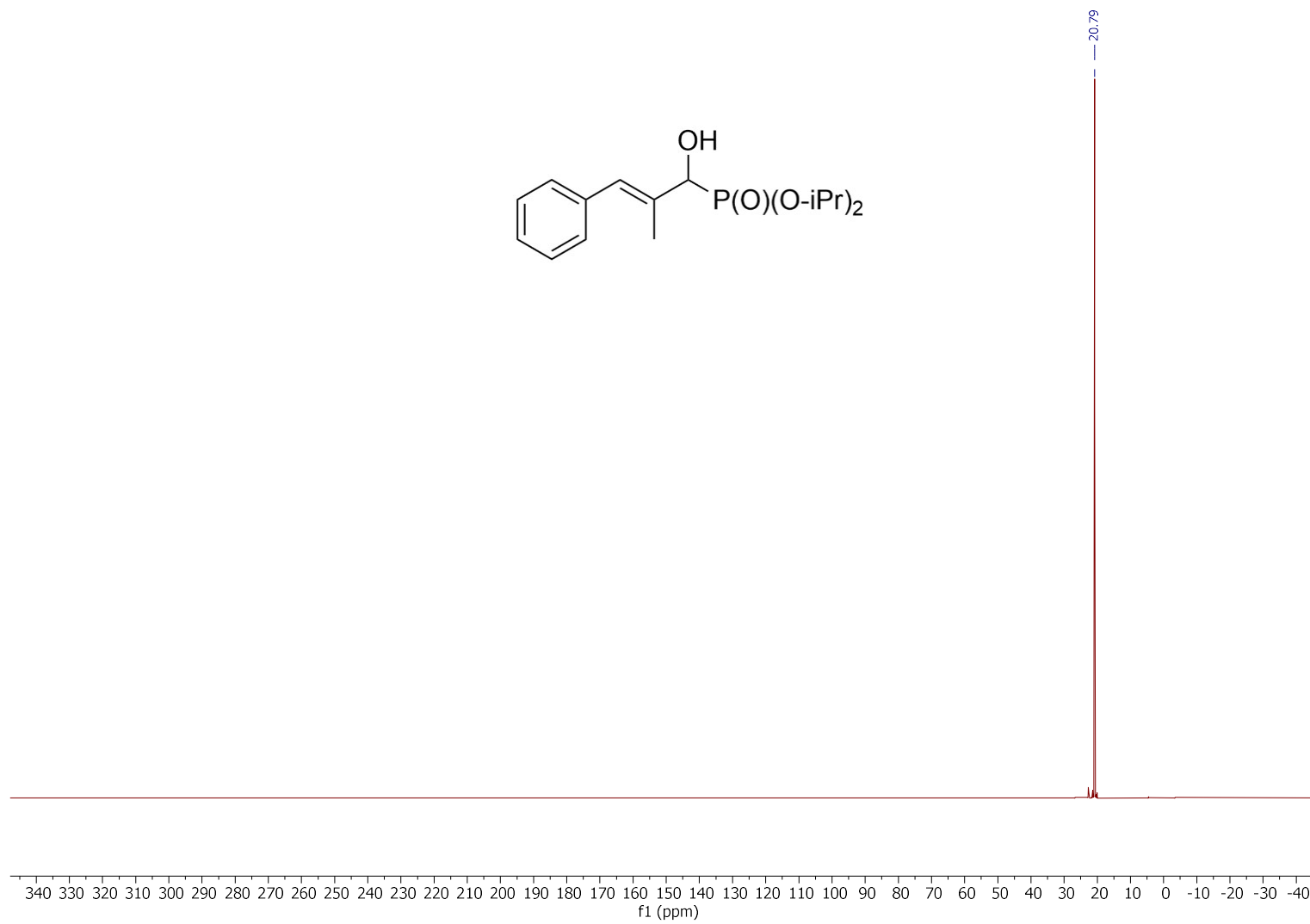


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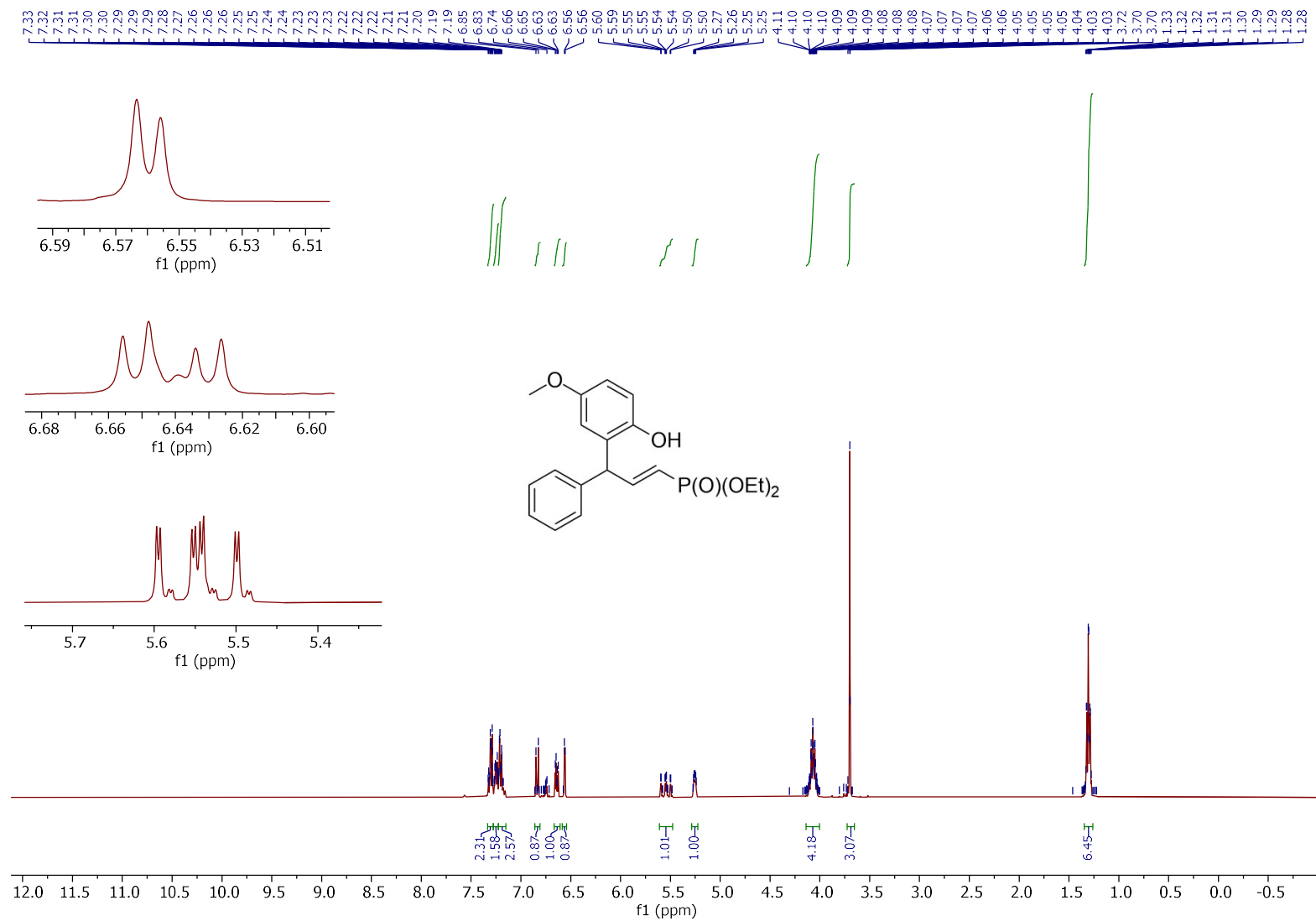


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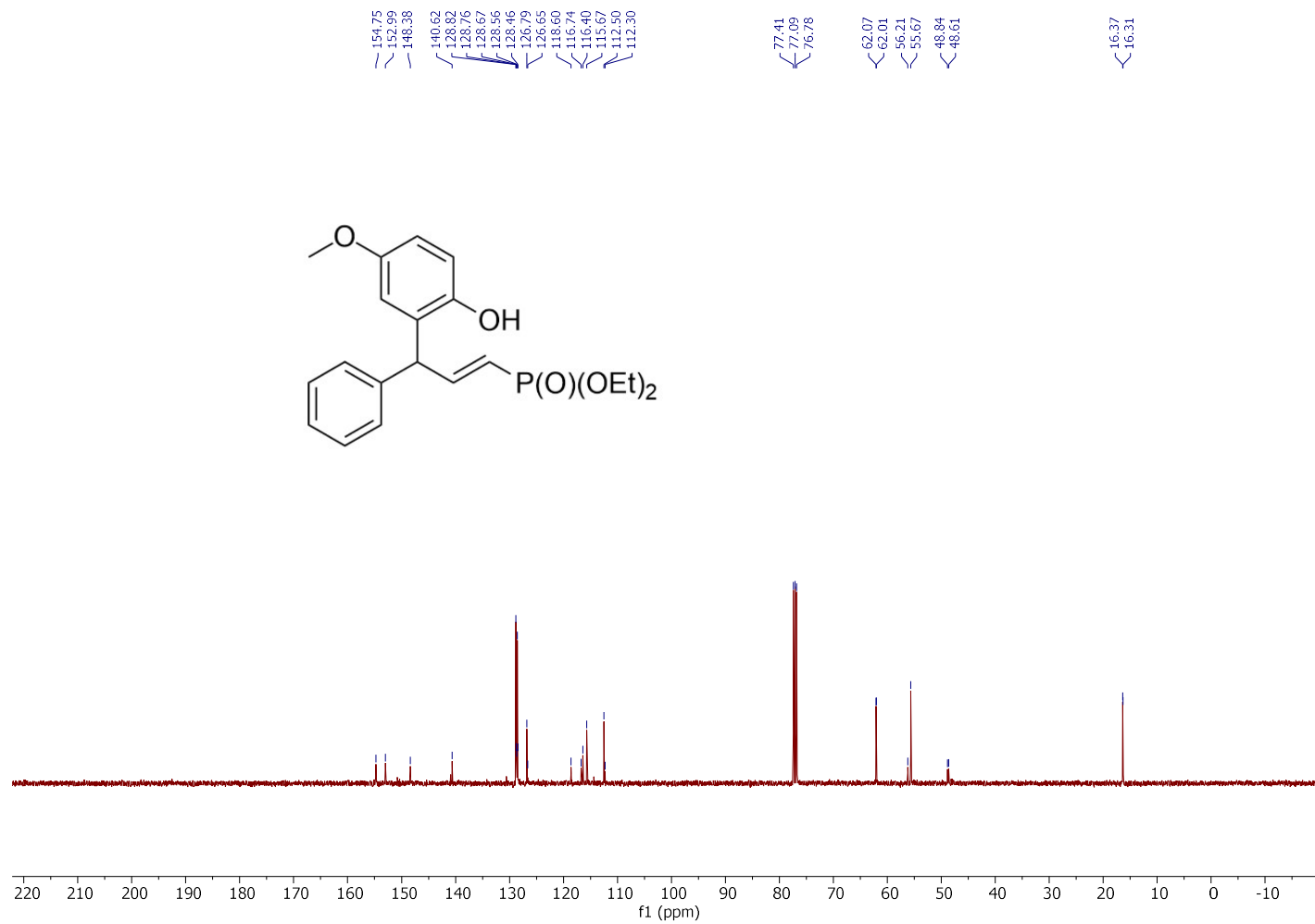


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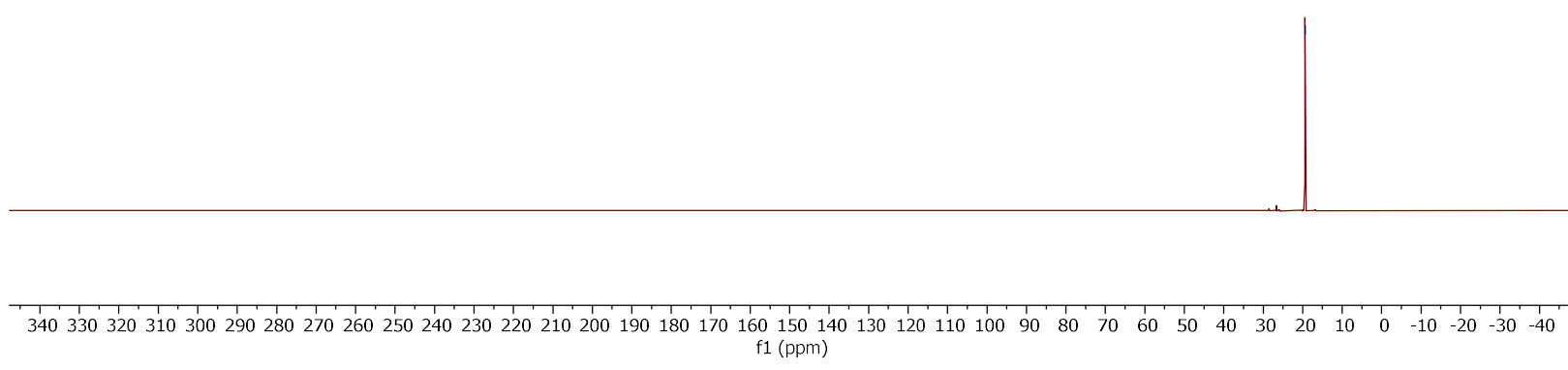
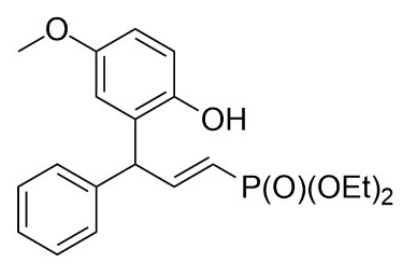


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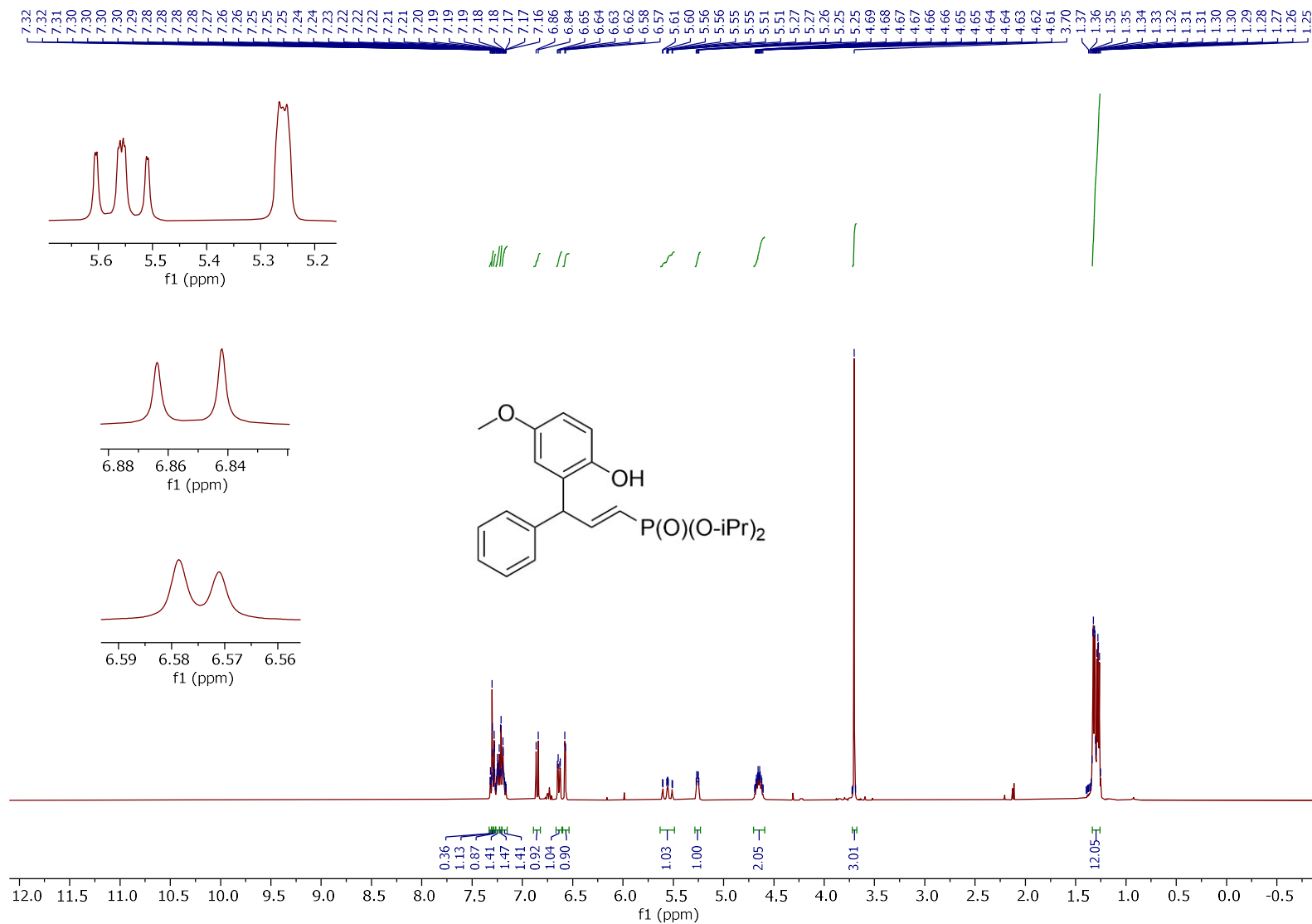


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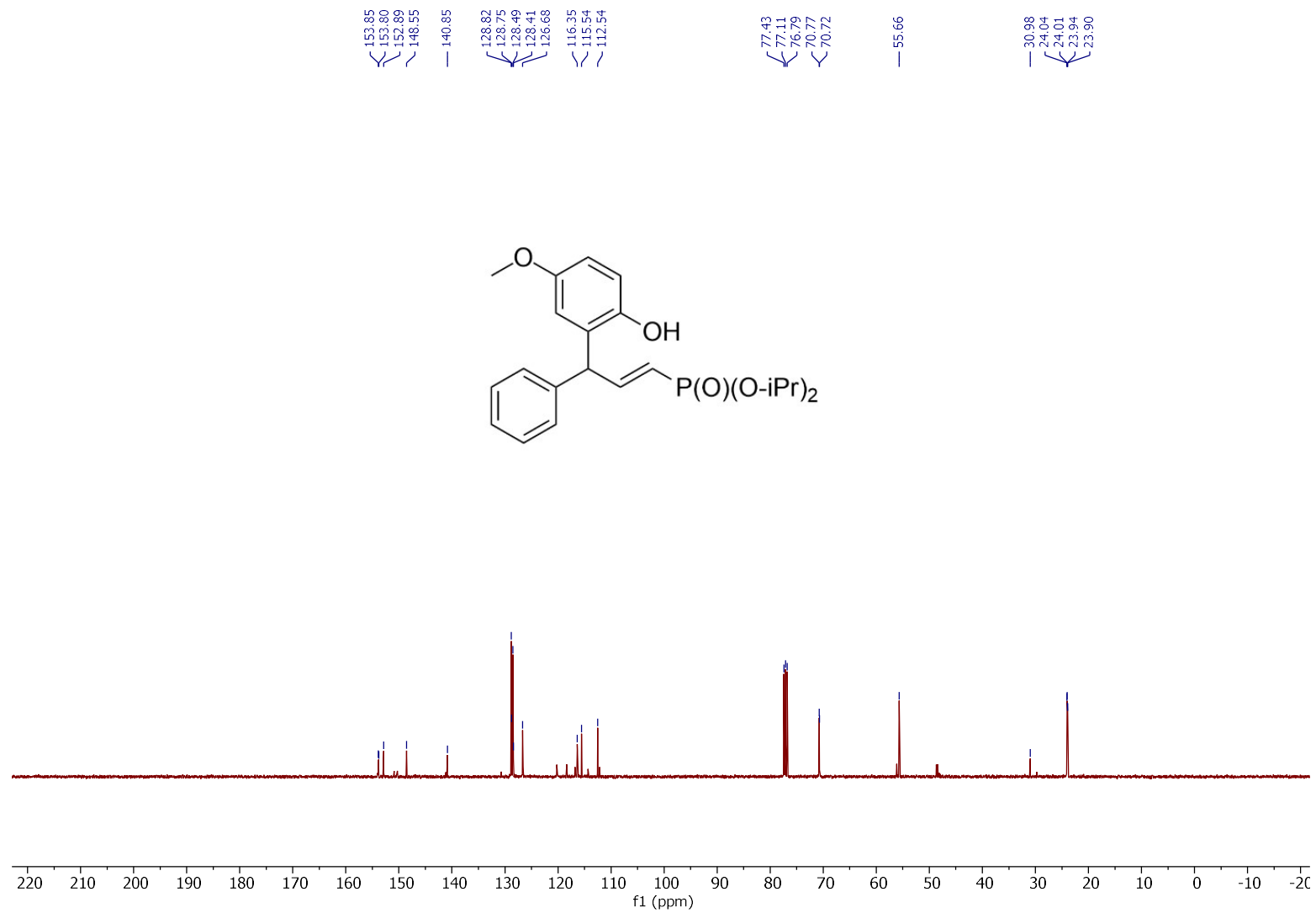


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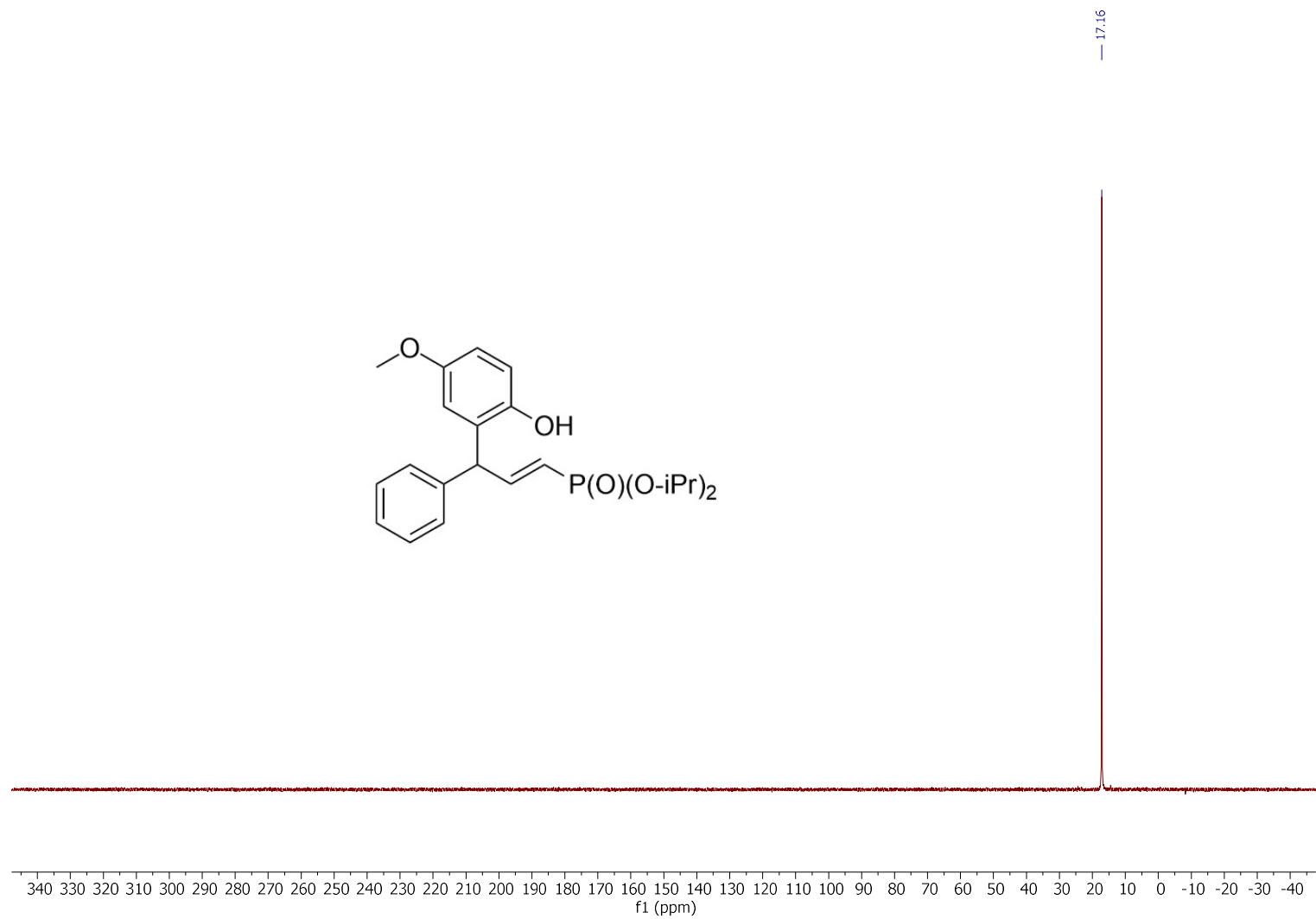
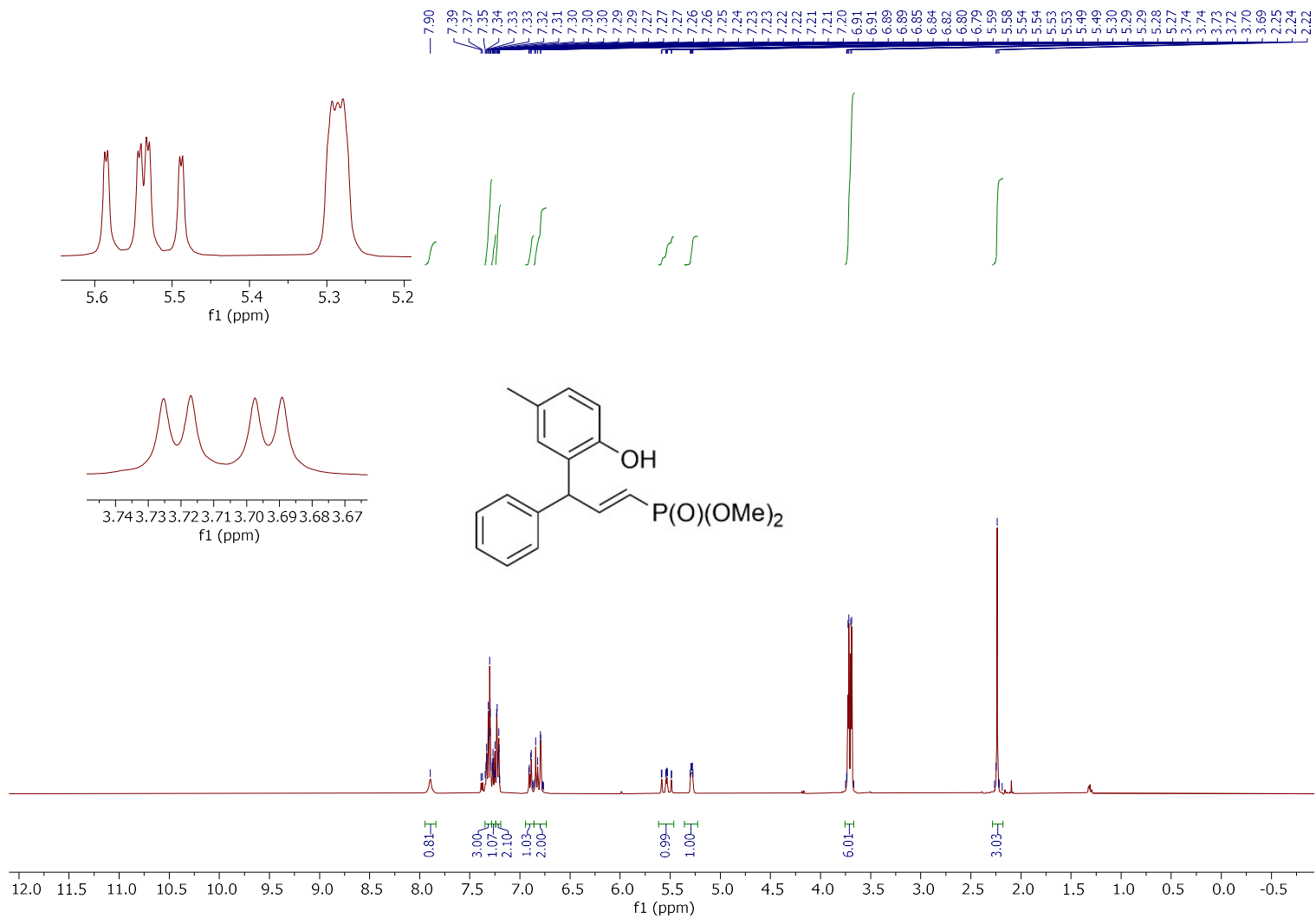


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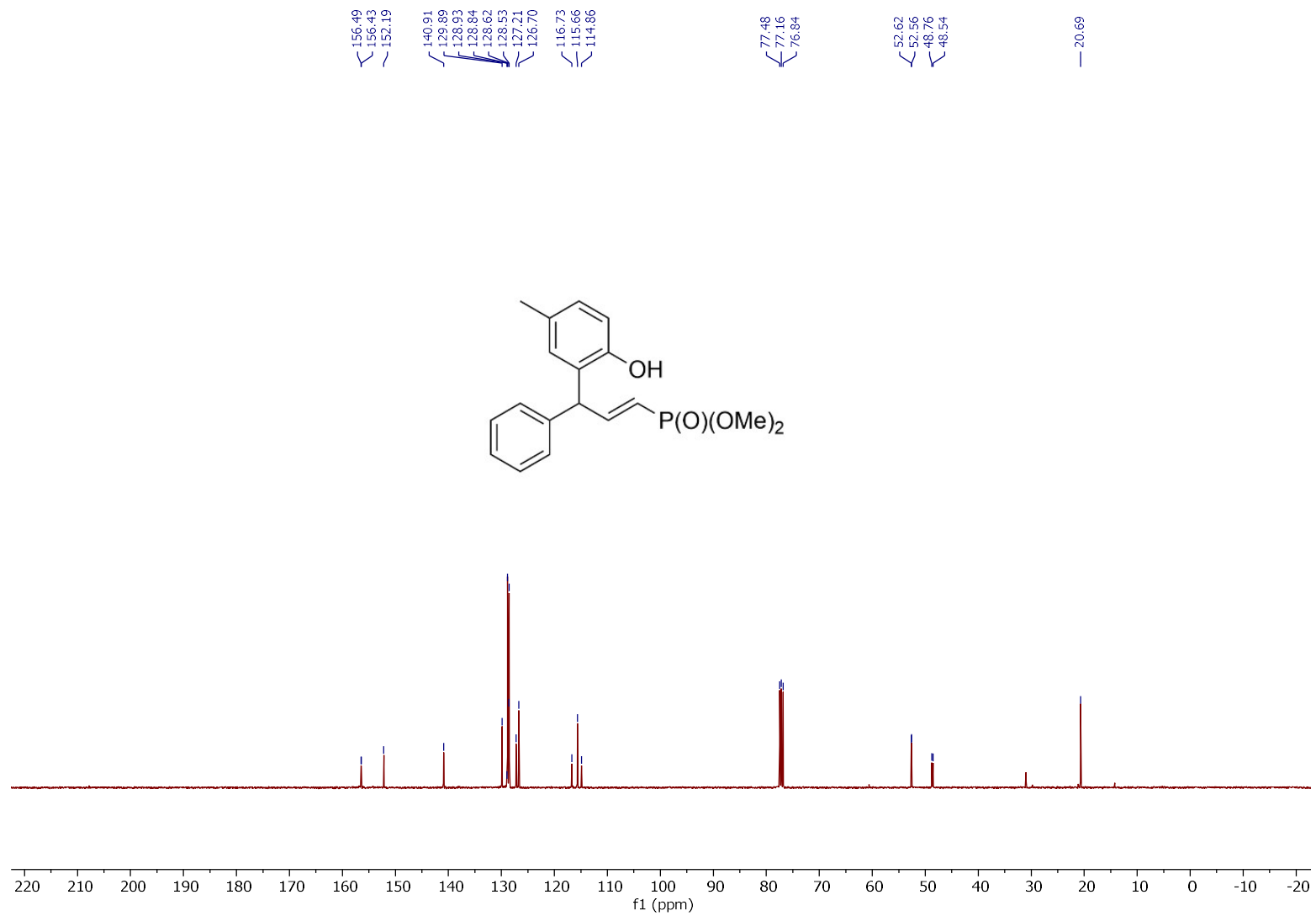


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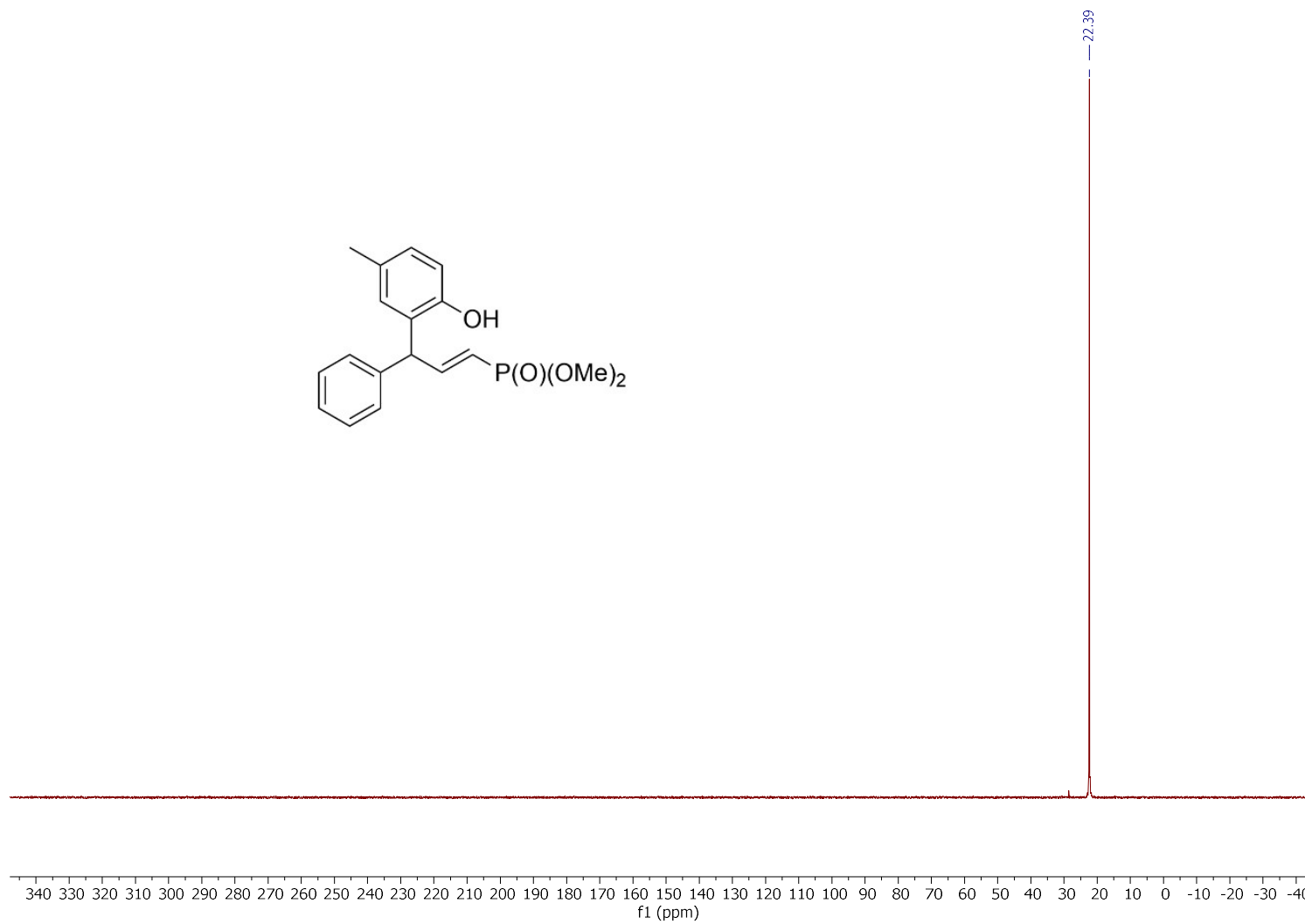


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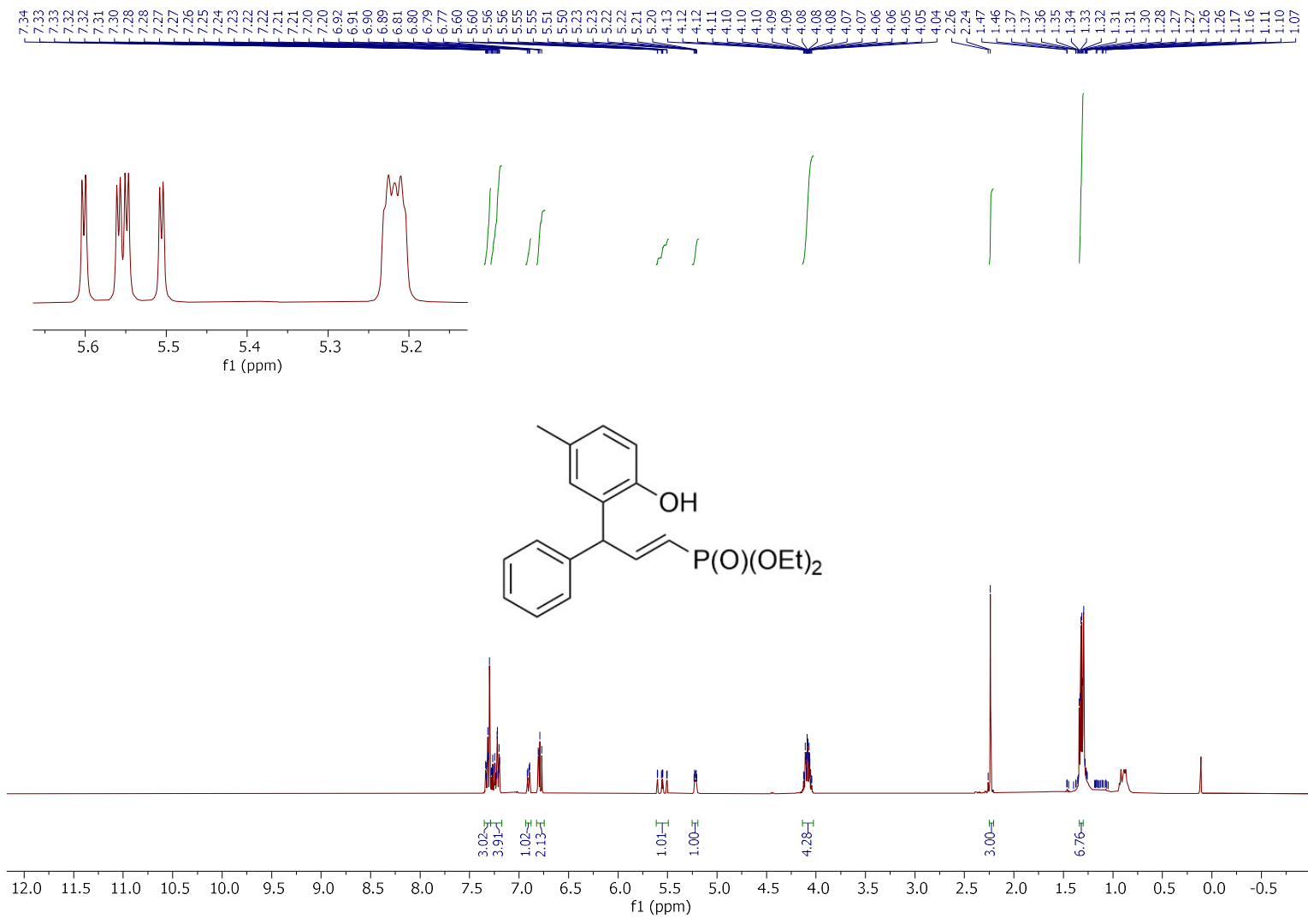


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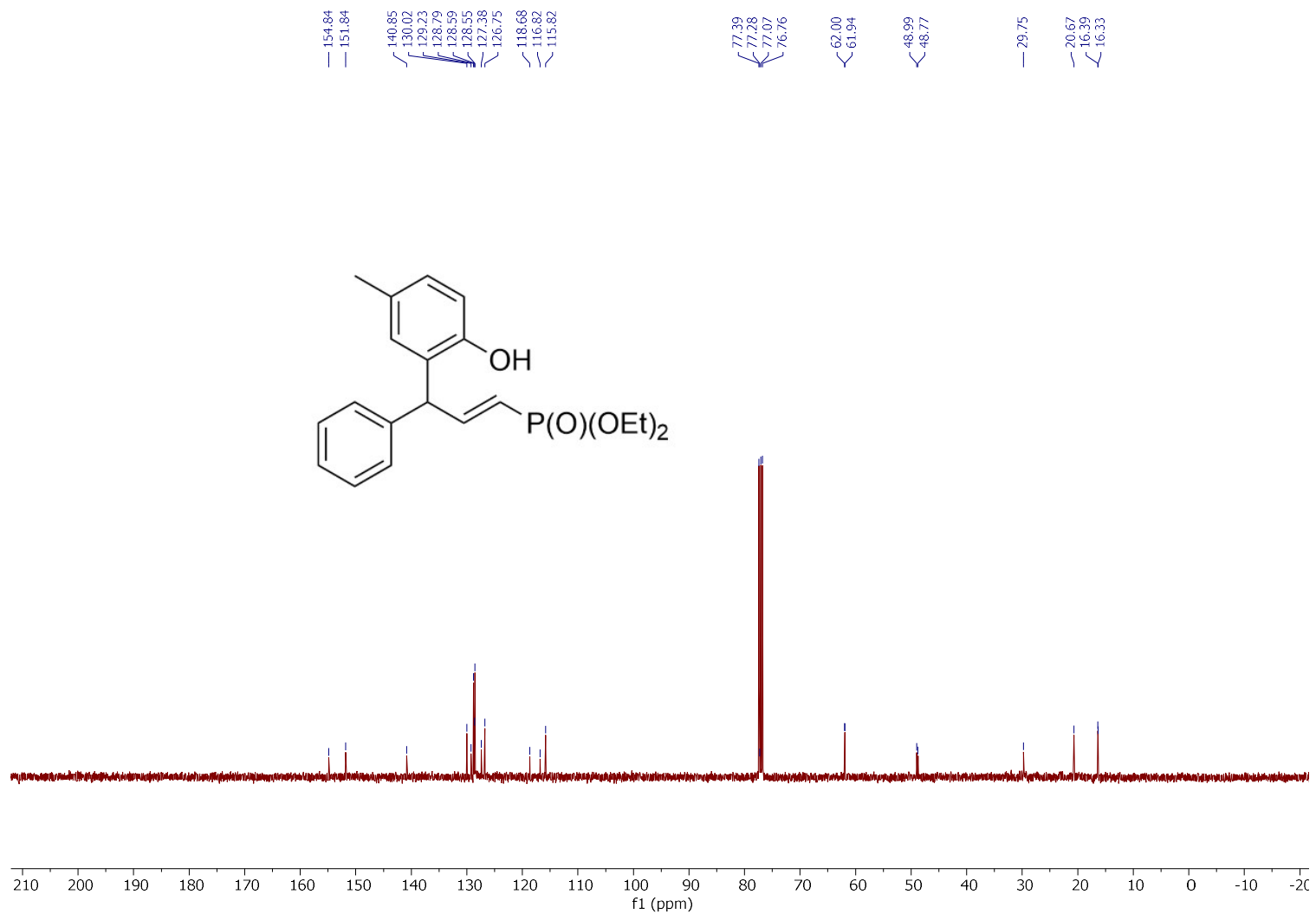


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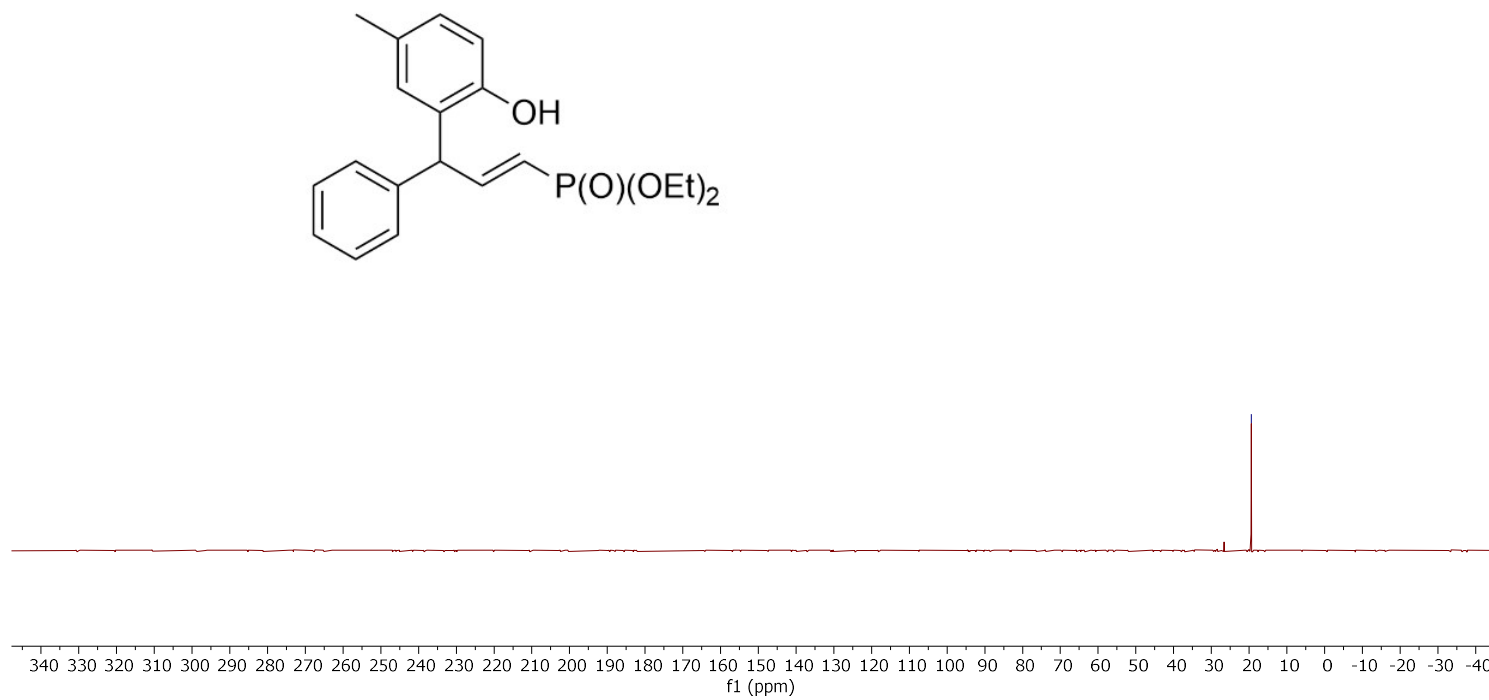
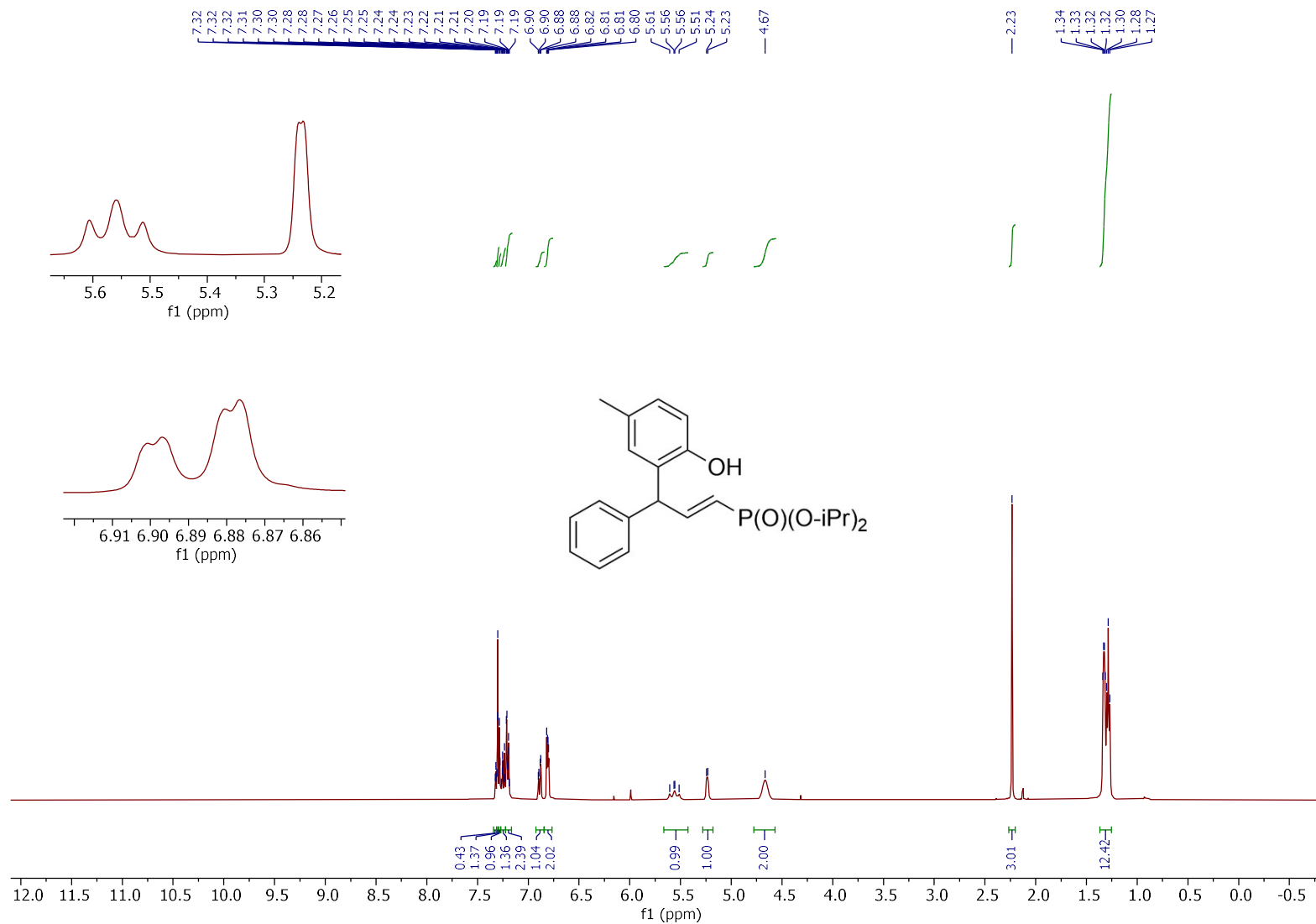


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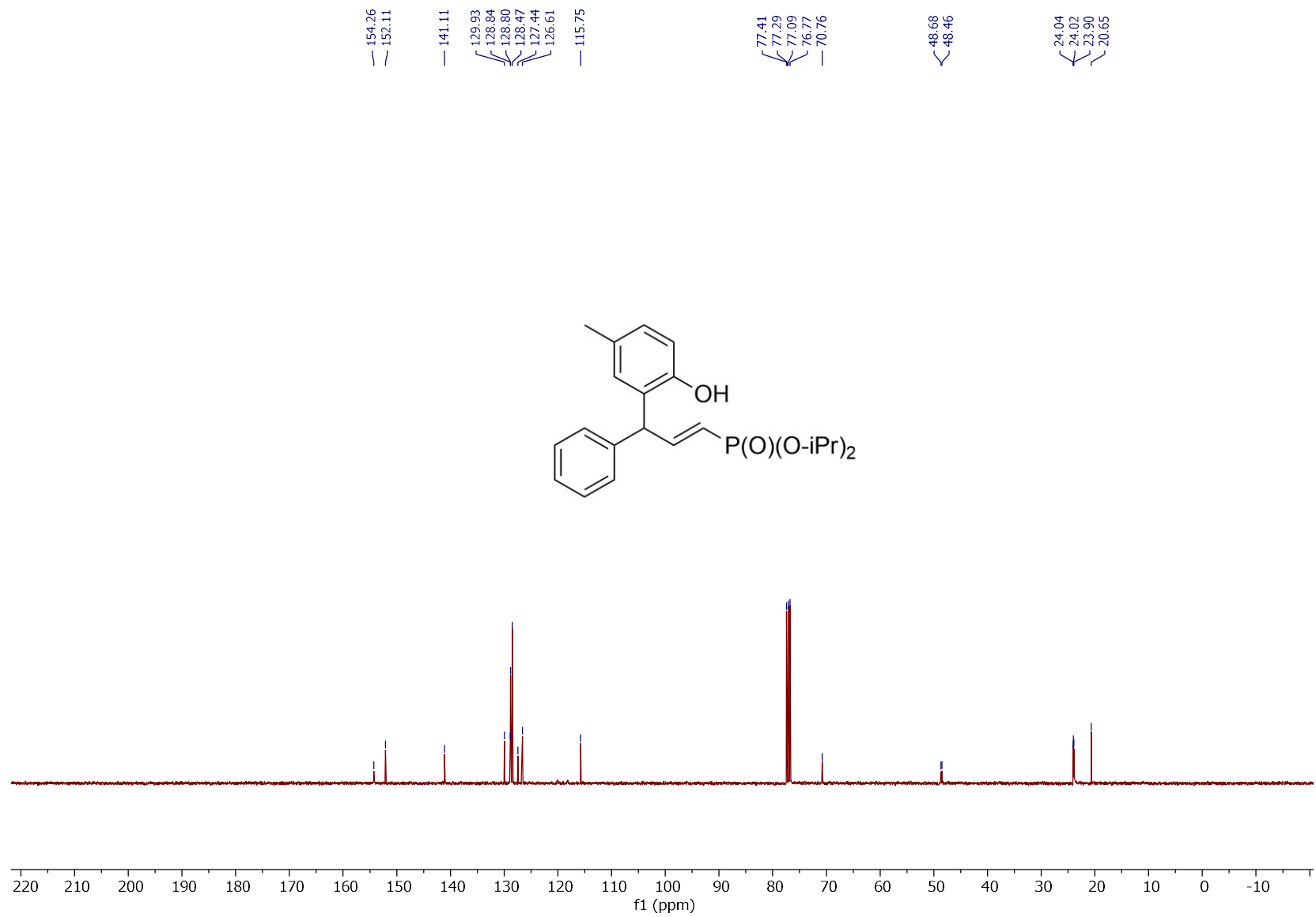


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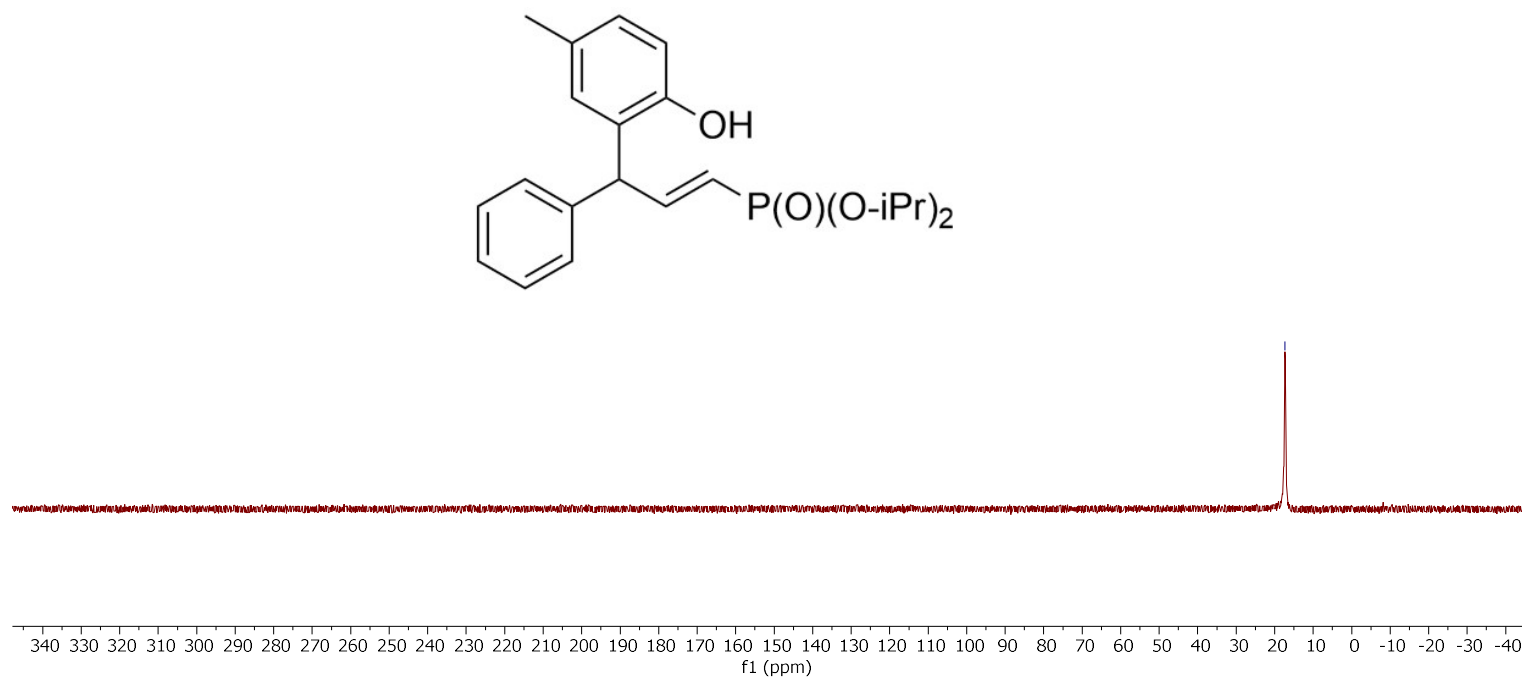
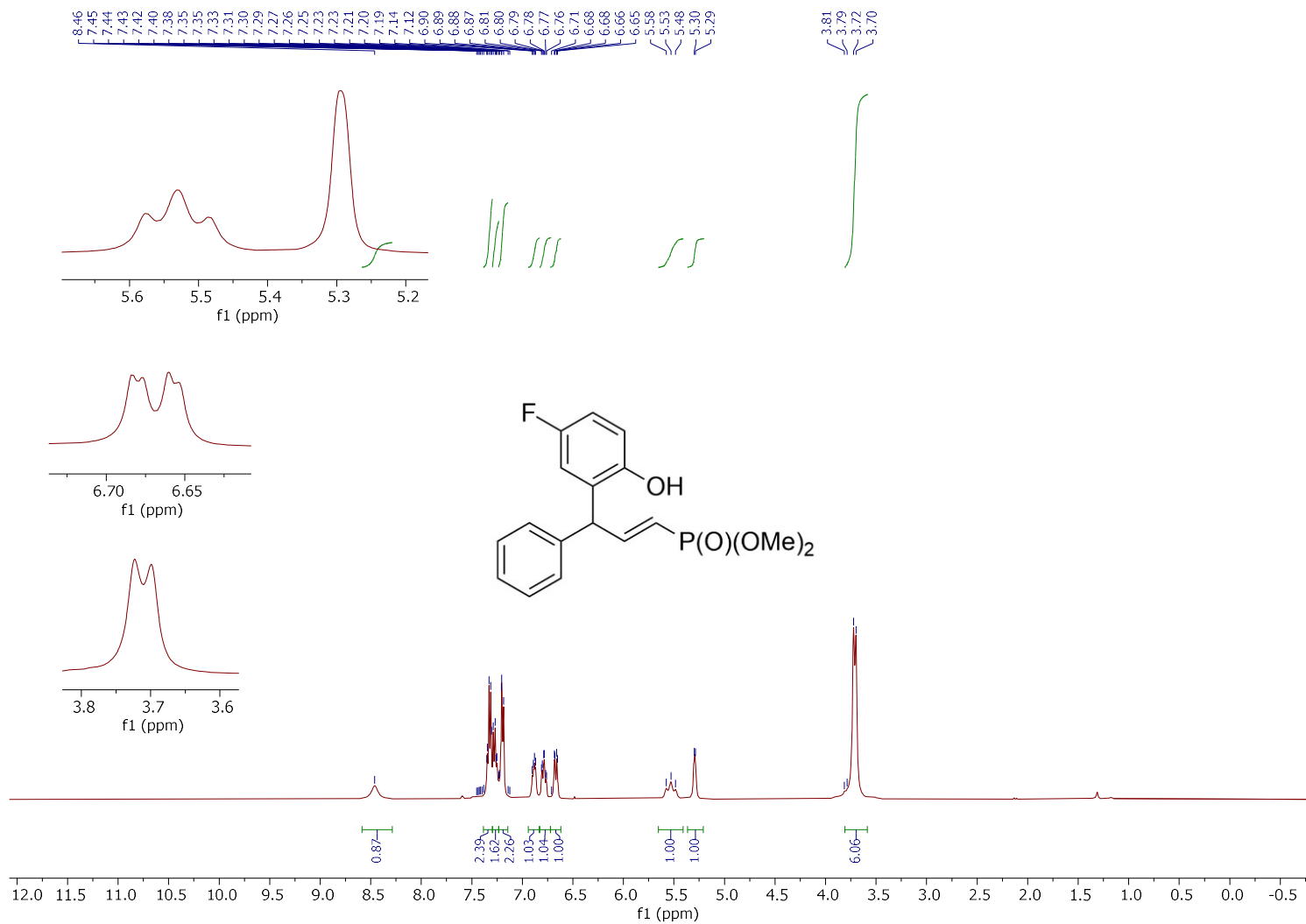


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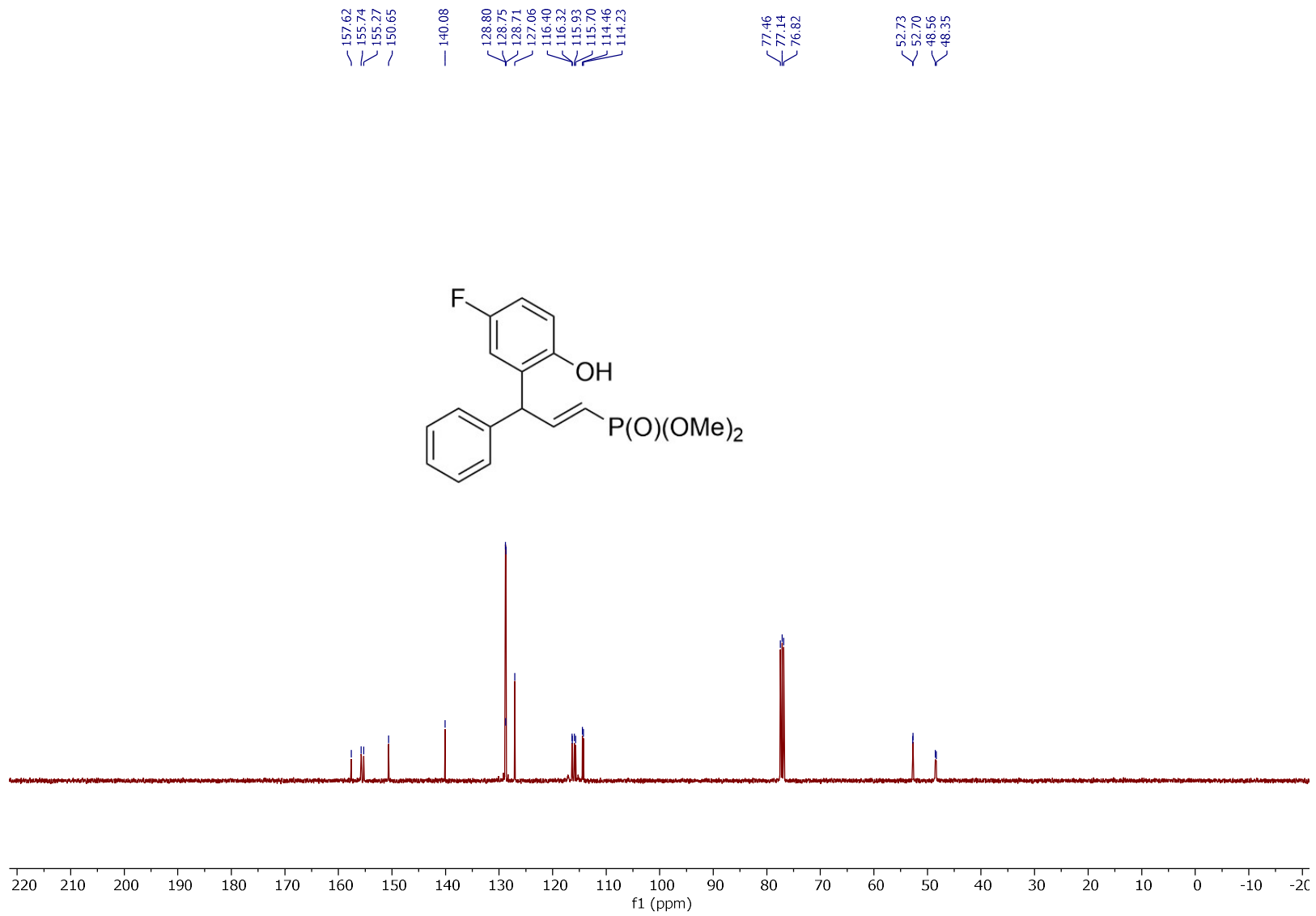


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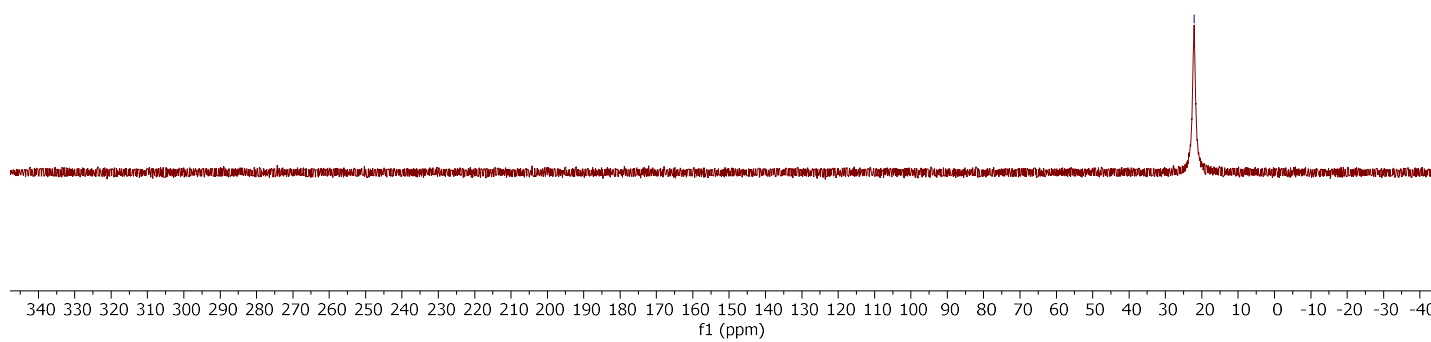
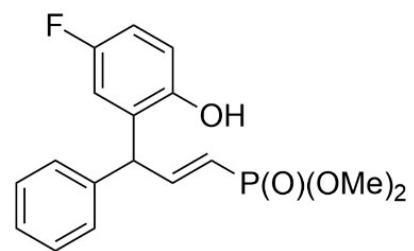


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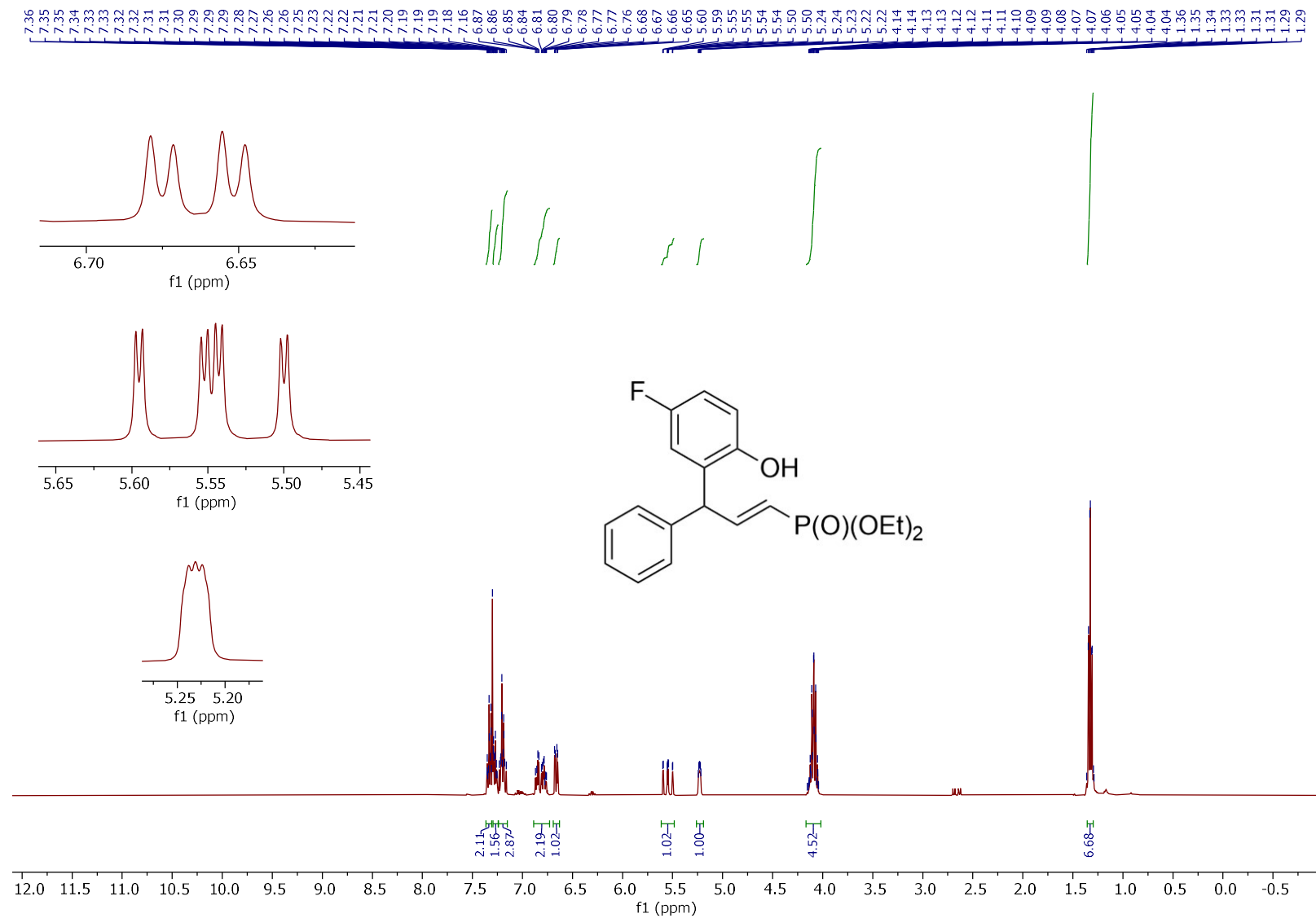


Figure S46: ¹H NMR Spectra of 3c in CDCl₃

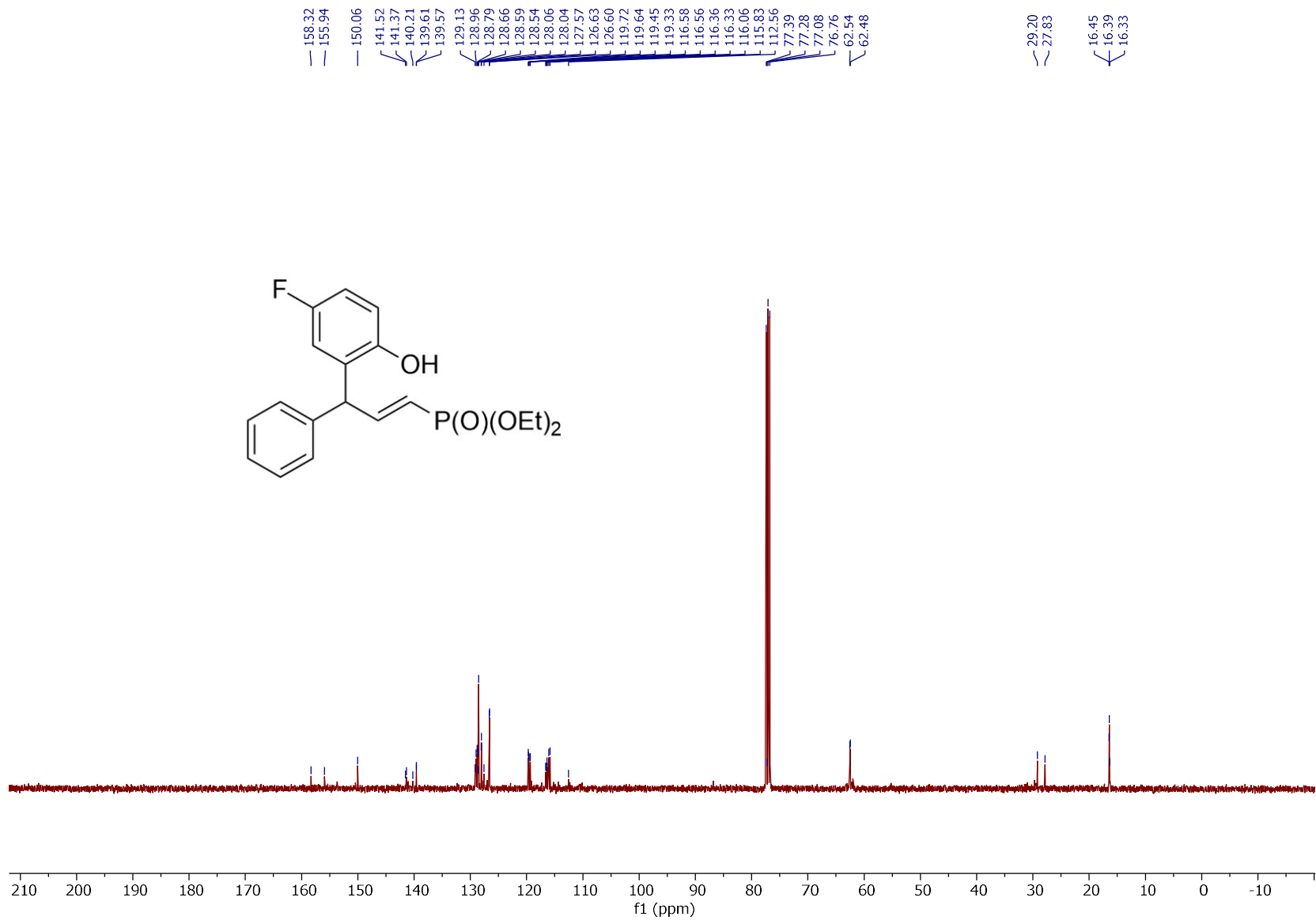


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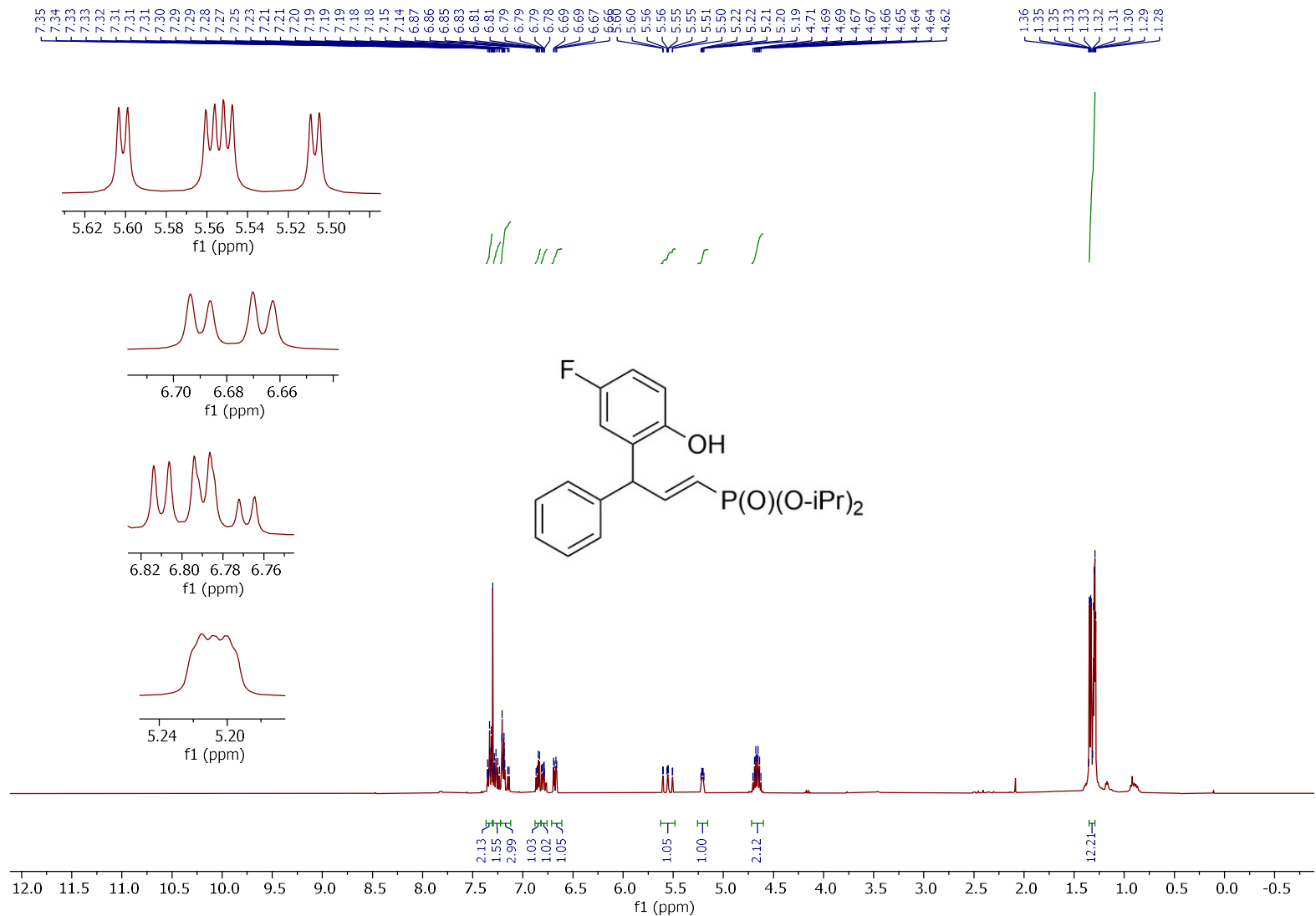


Figure S49: ¹H NMR Spectra of 3h in CDCl₃

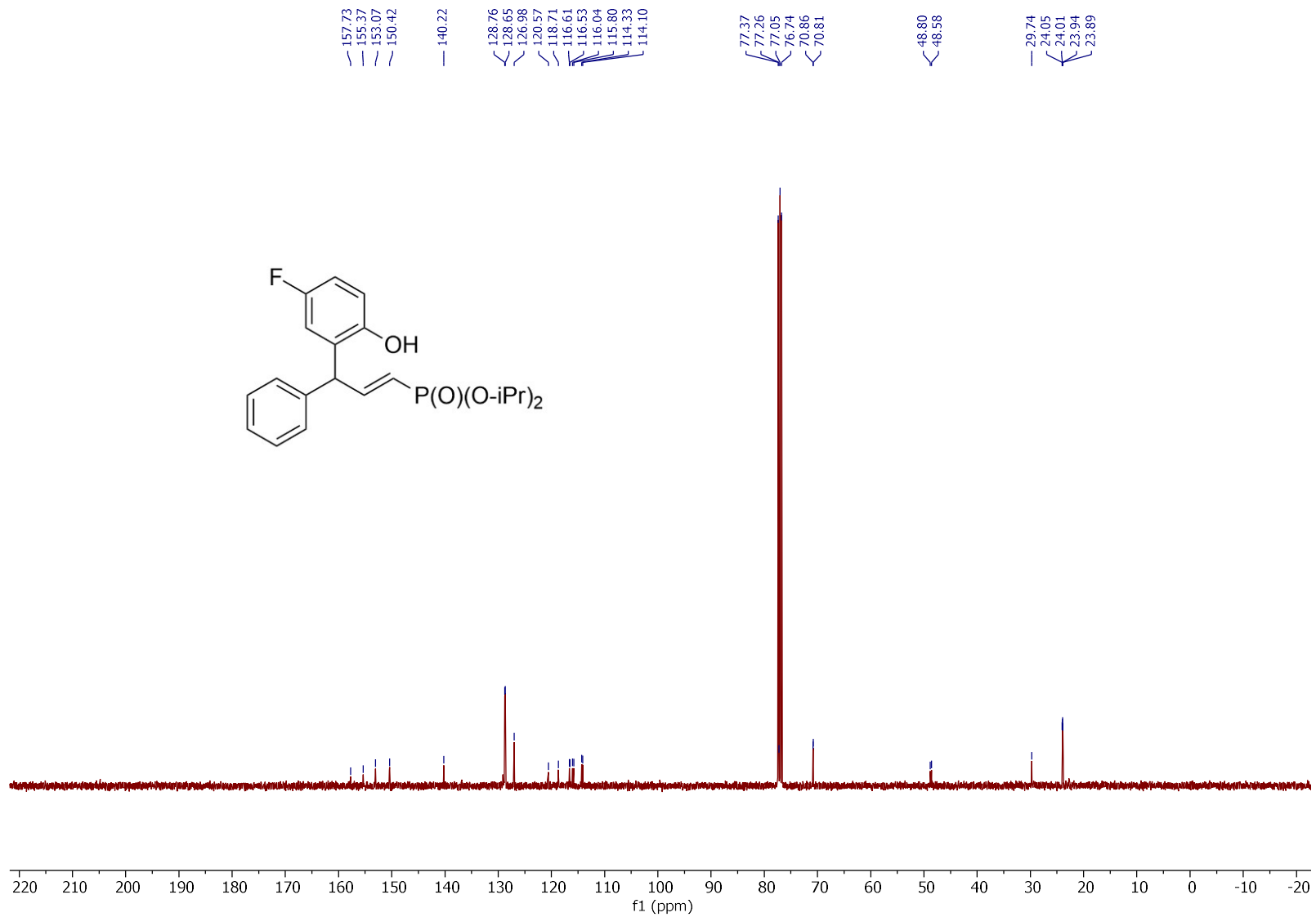


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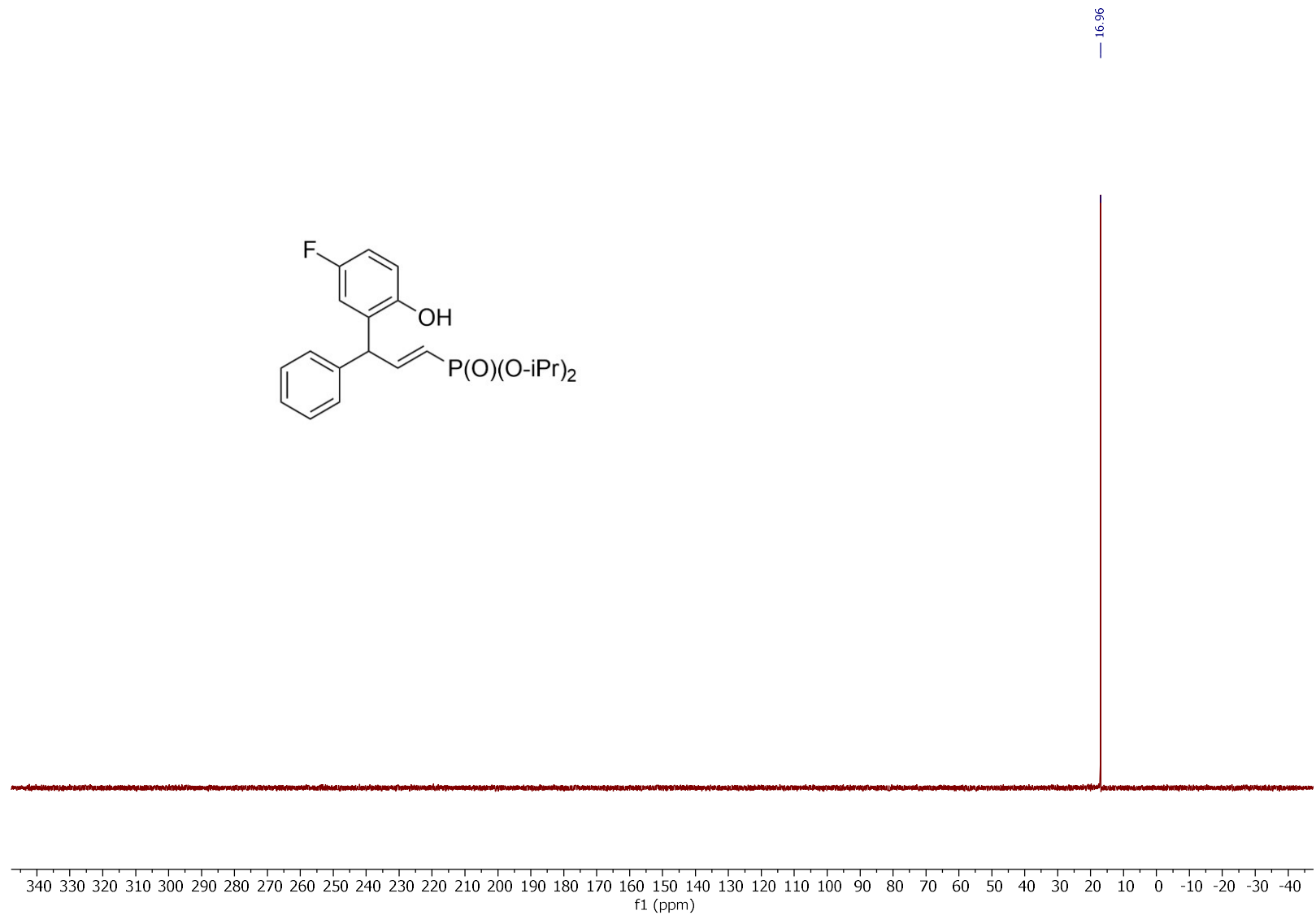


Figure S51: $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR Spectra of 3h in CDCl_3

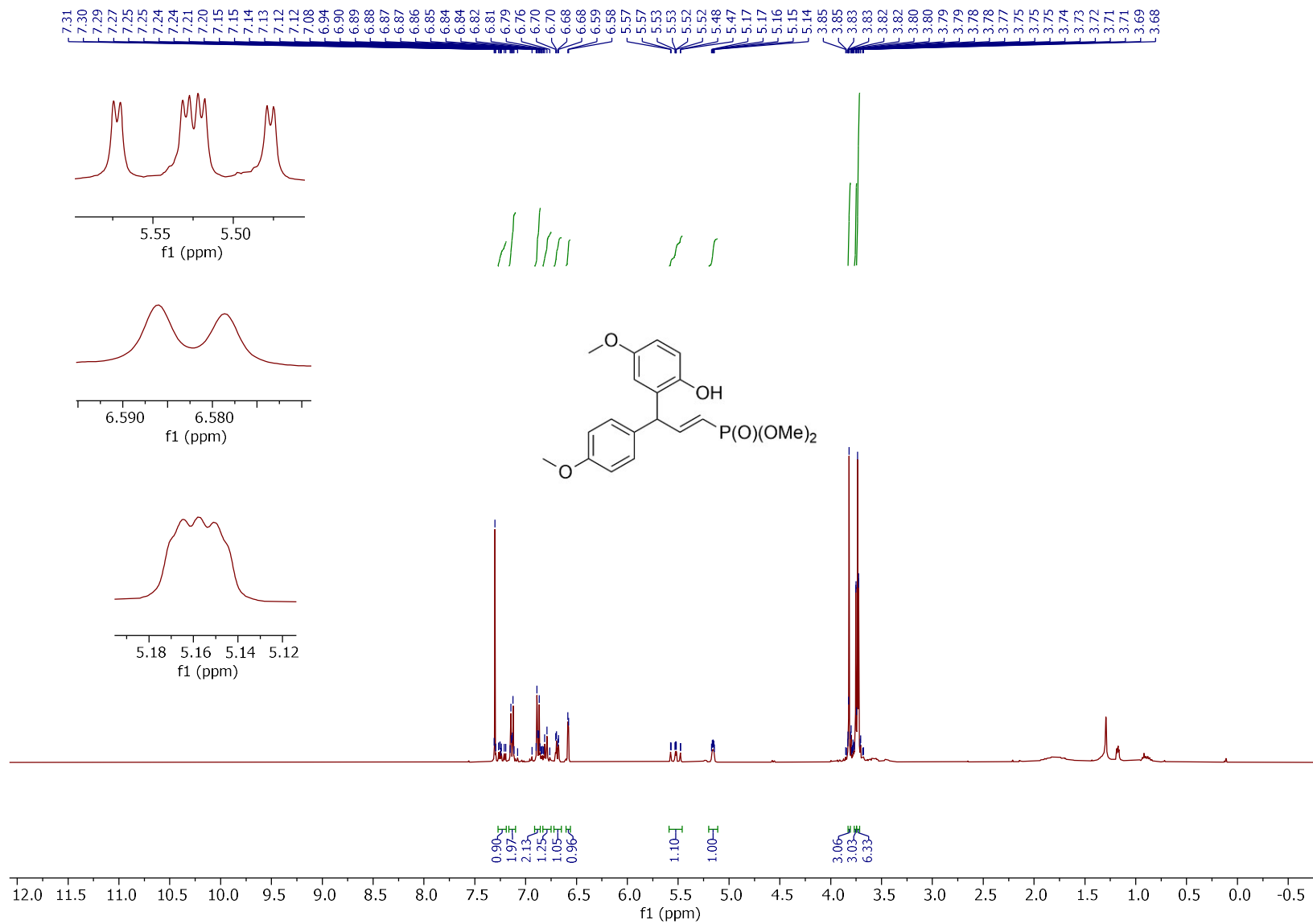


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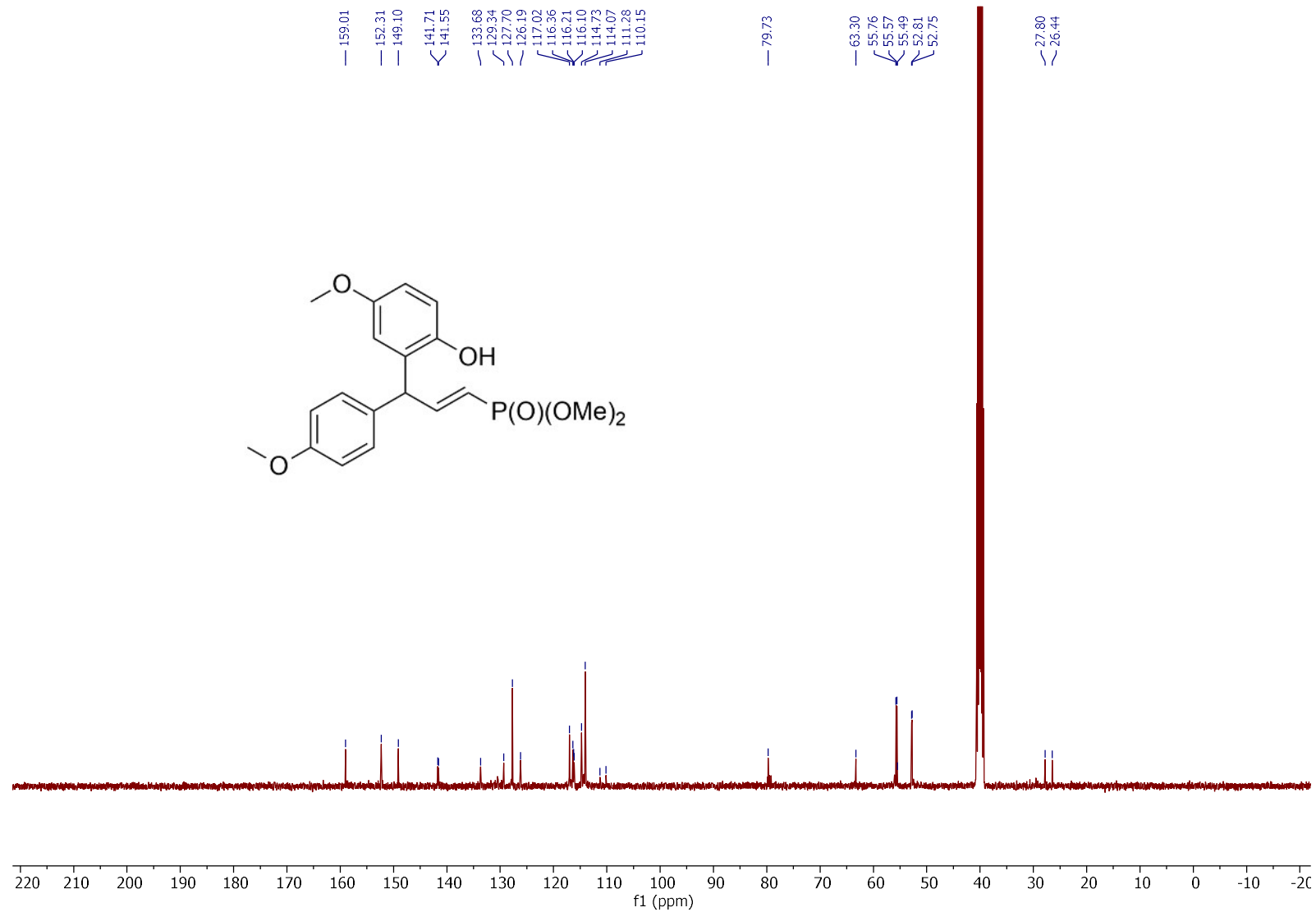
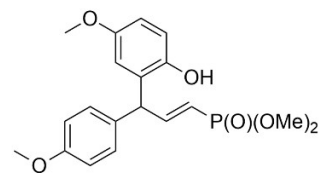


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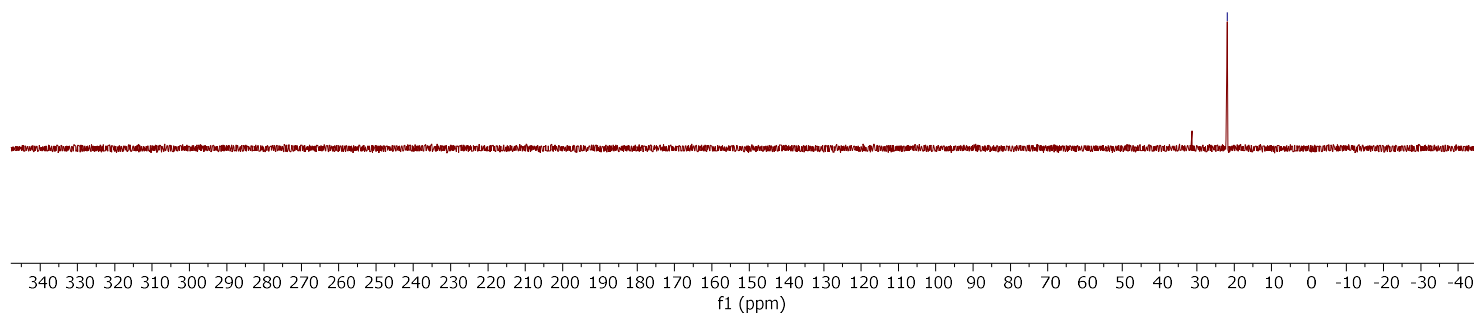


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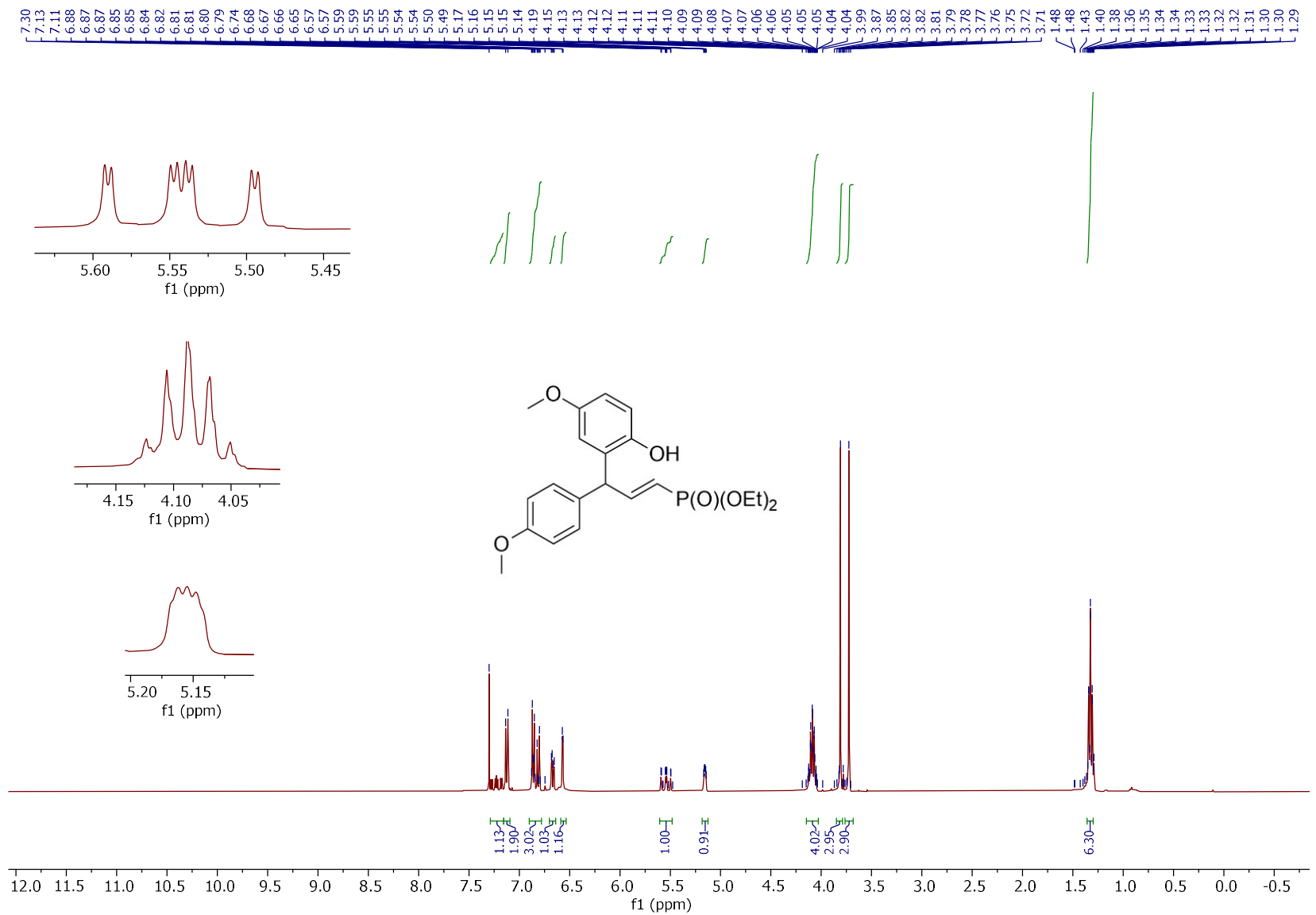


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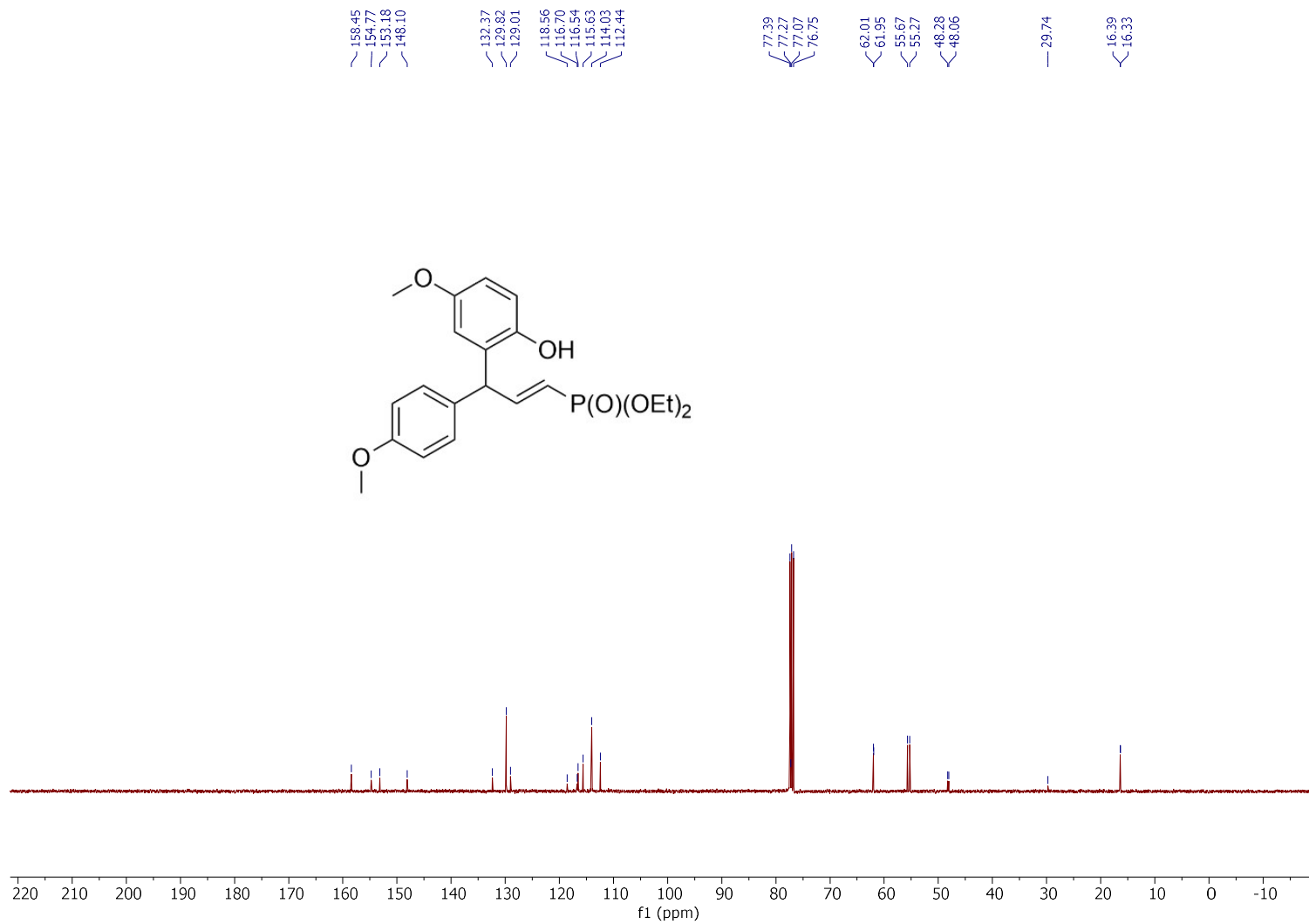


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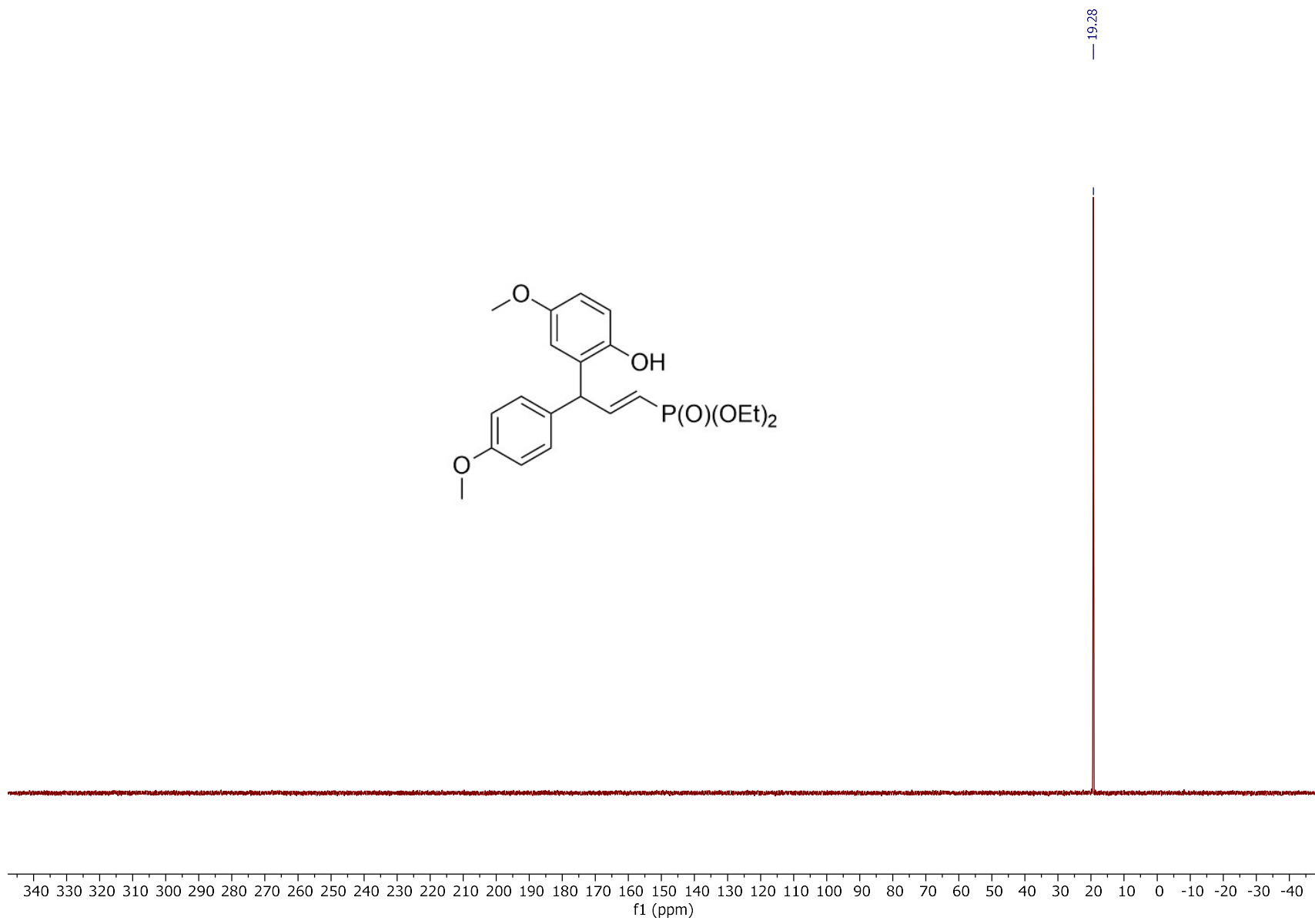


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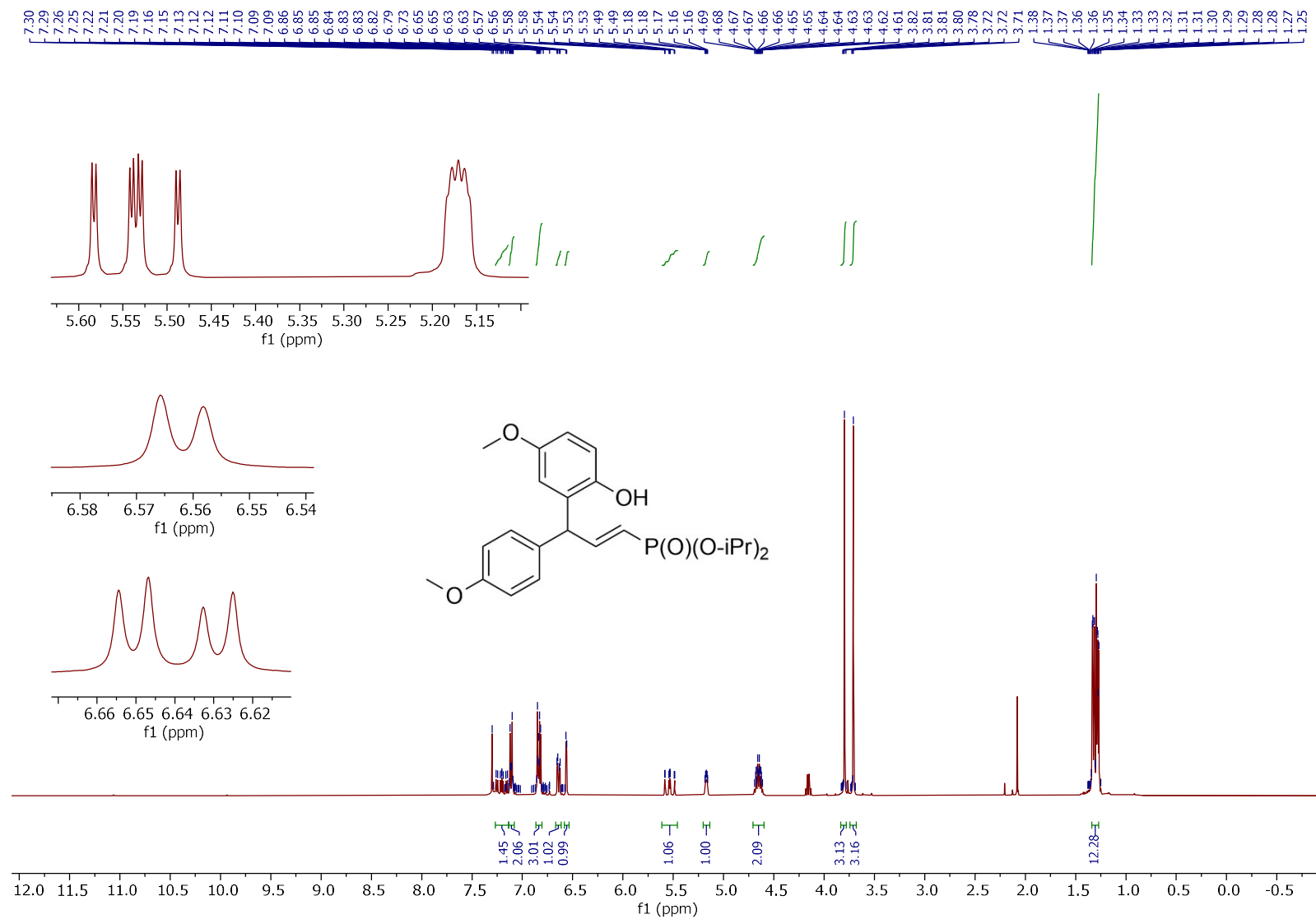


Figure S58: ^1H NMR Spectra of **3n** in CDCl_3

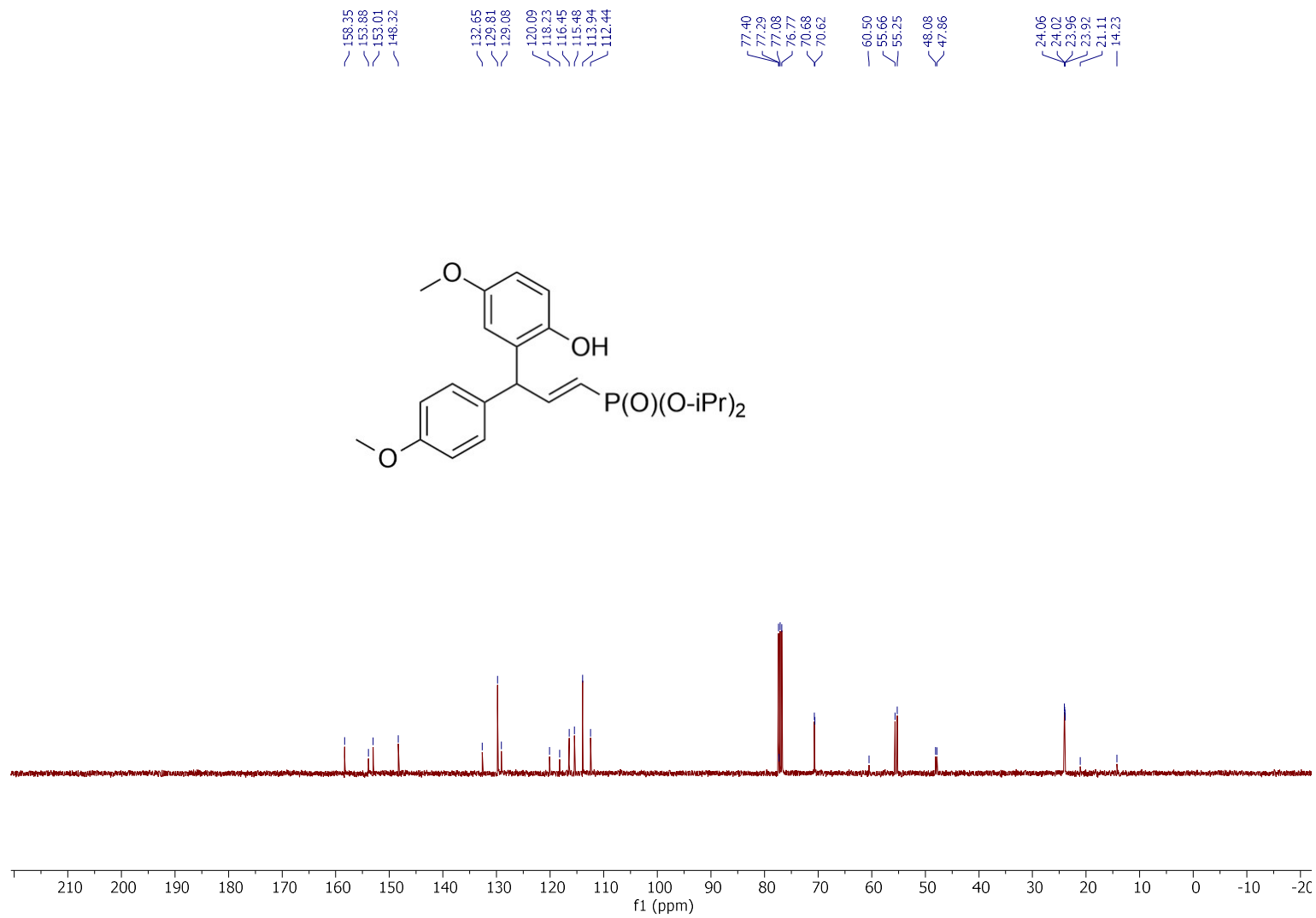


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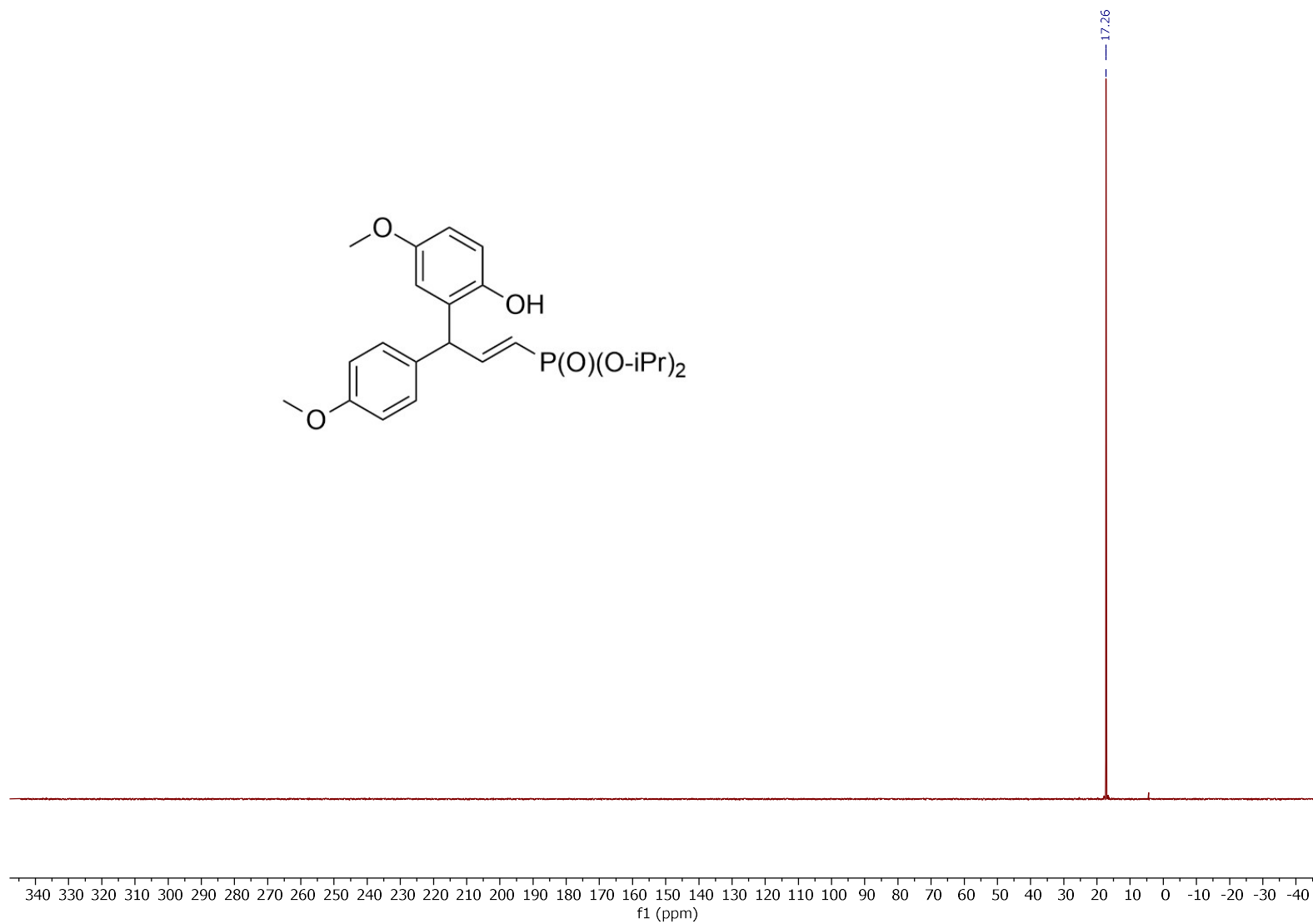


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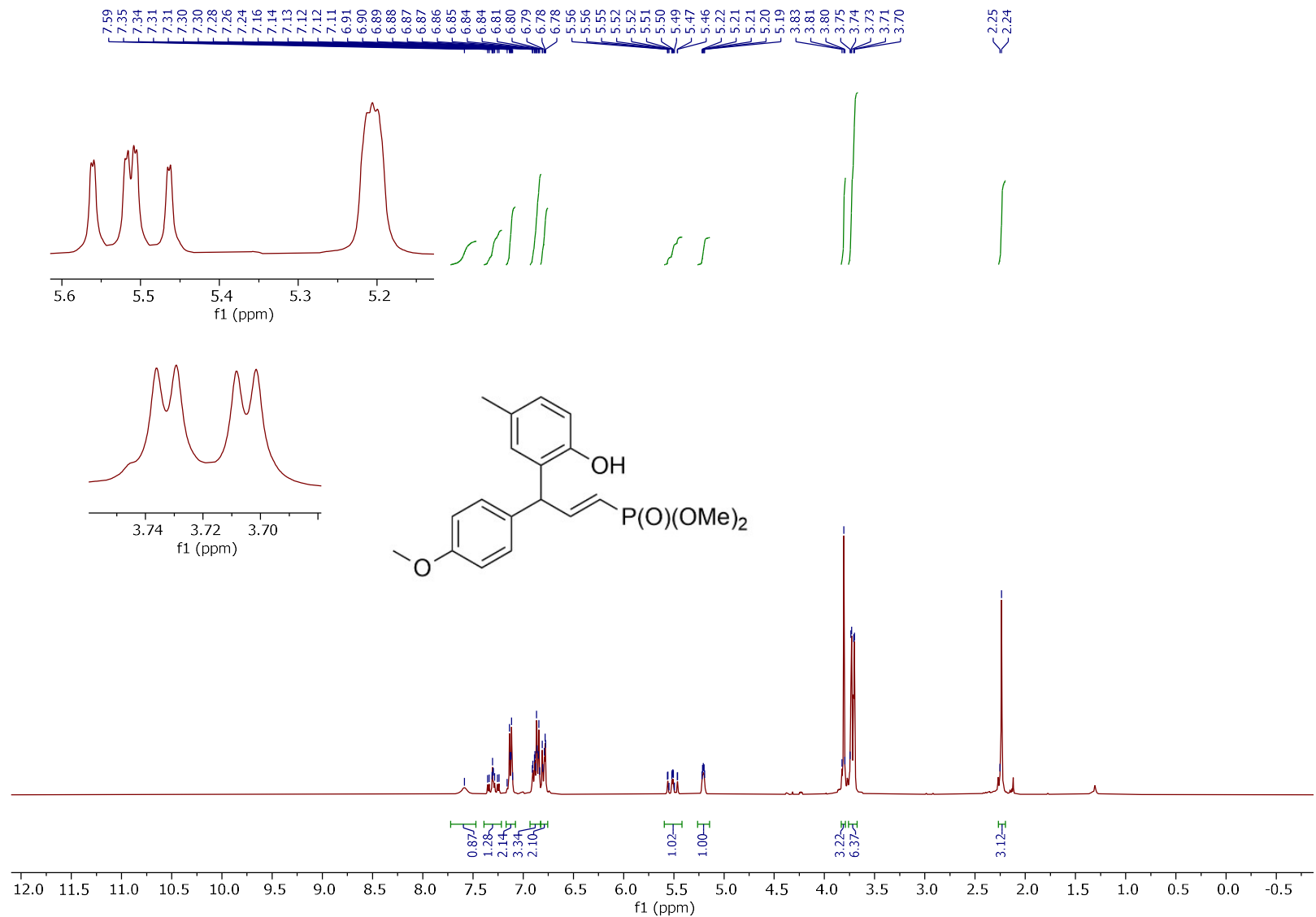


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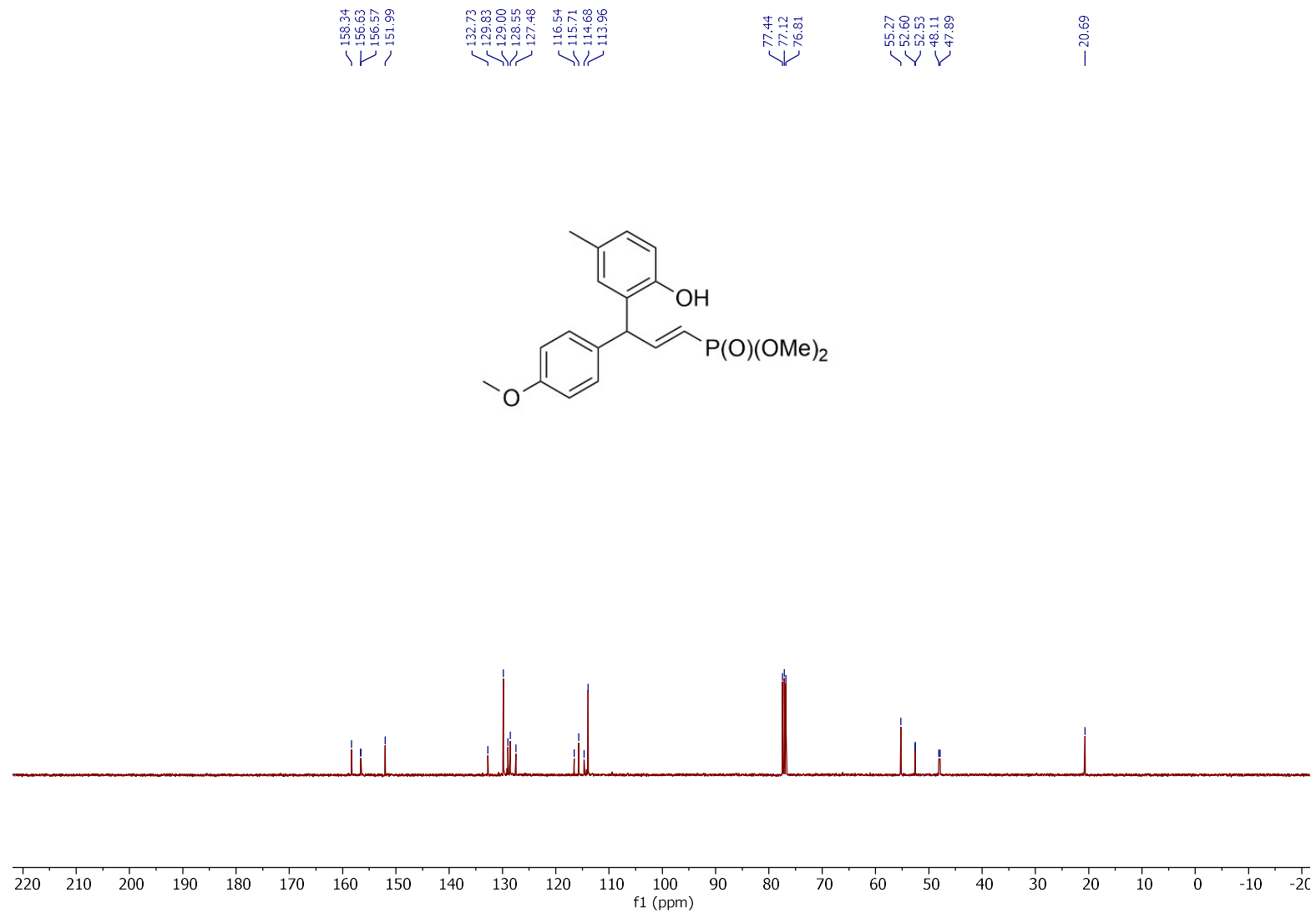


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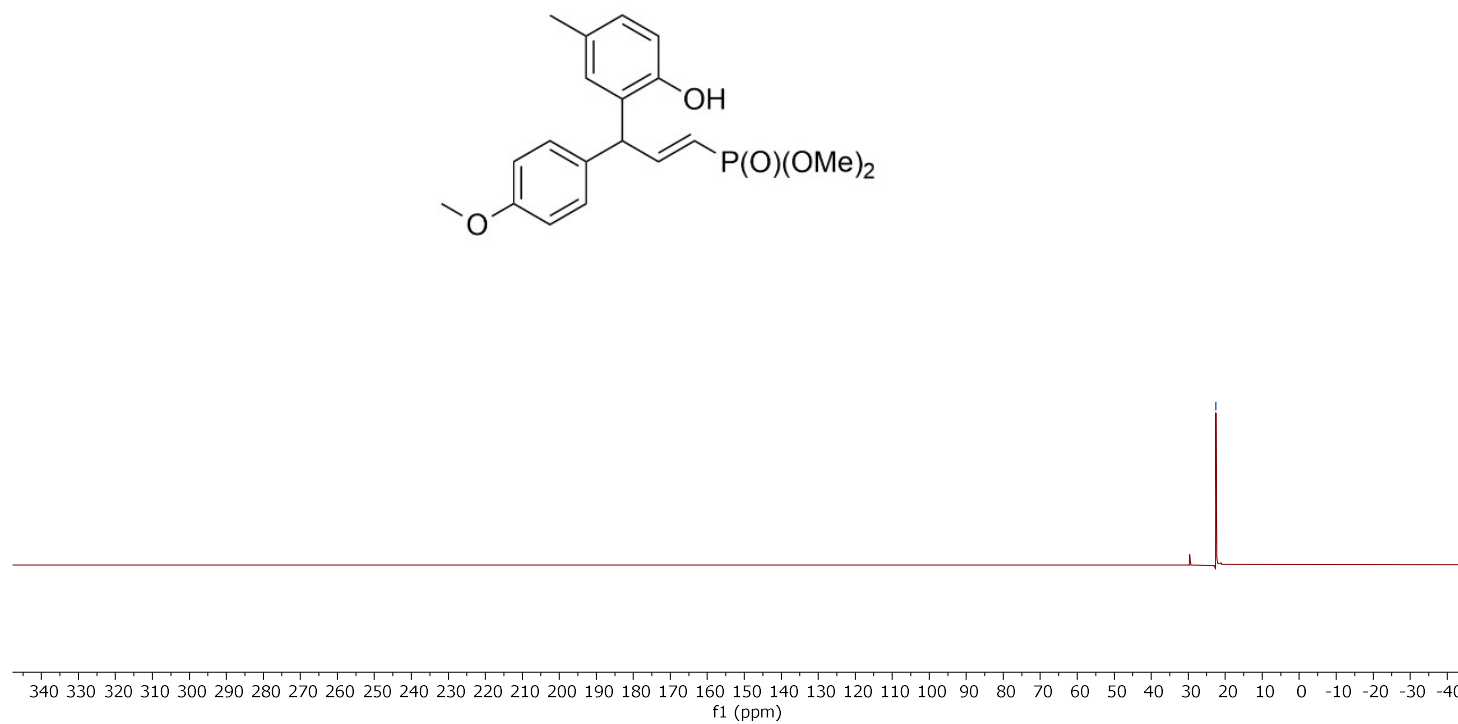


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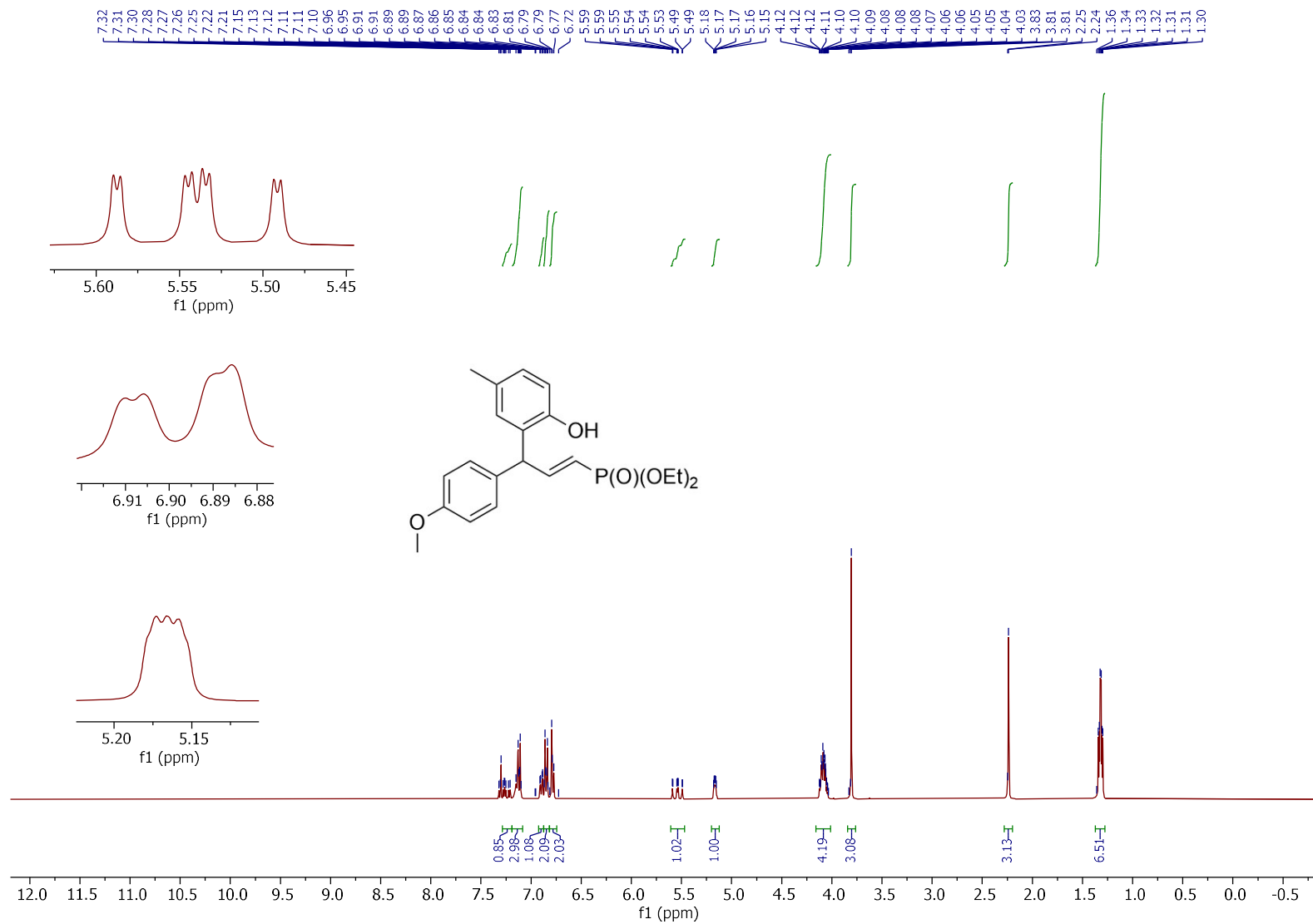


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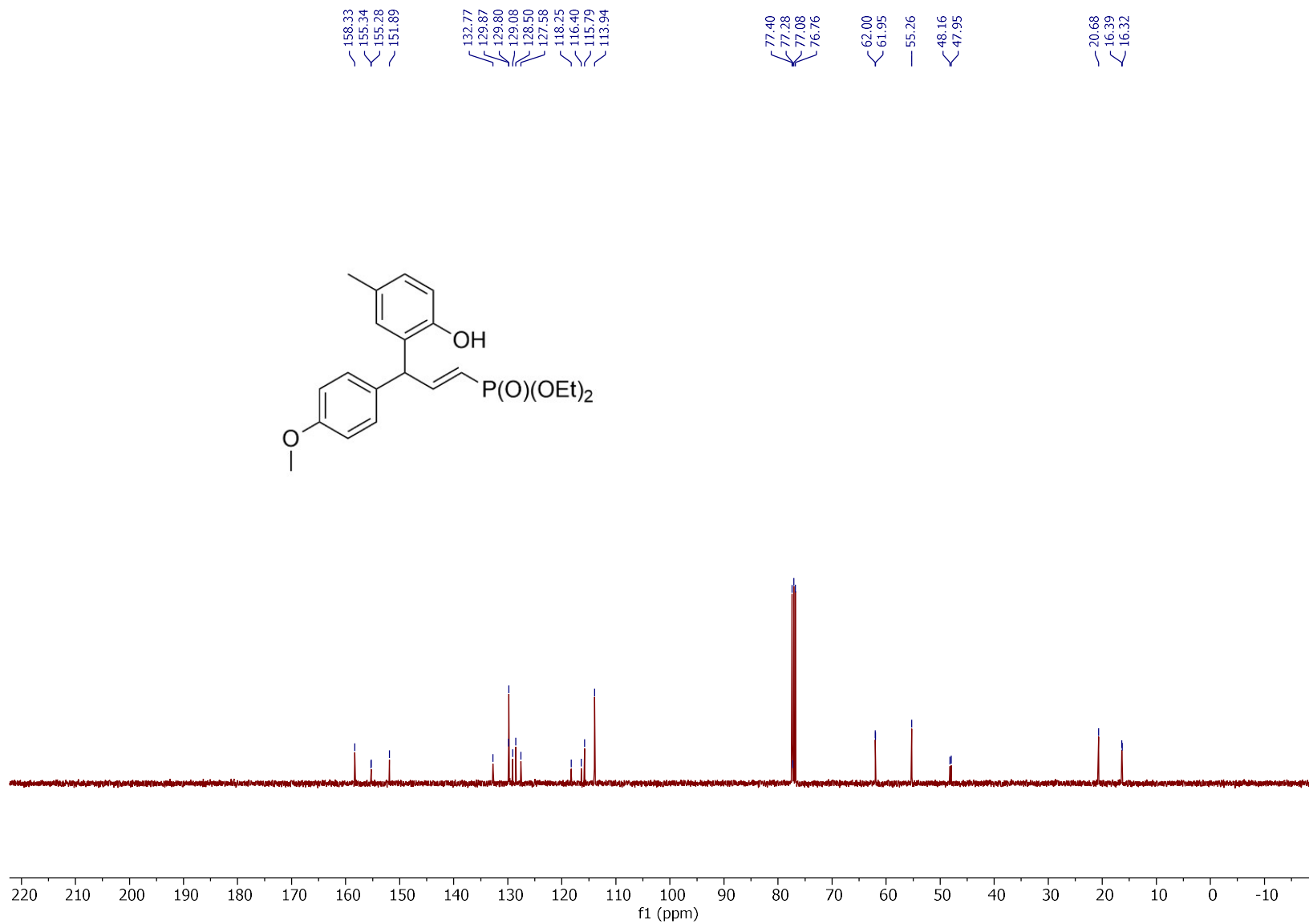


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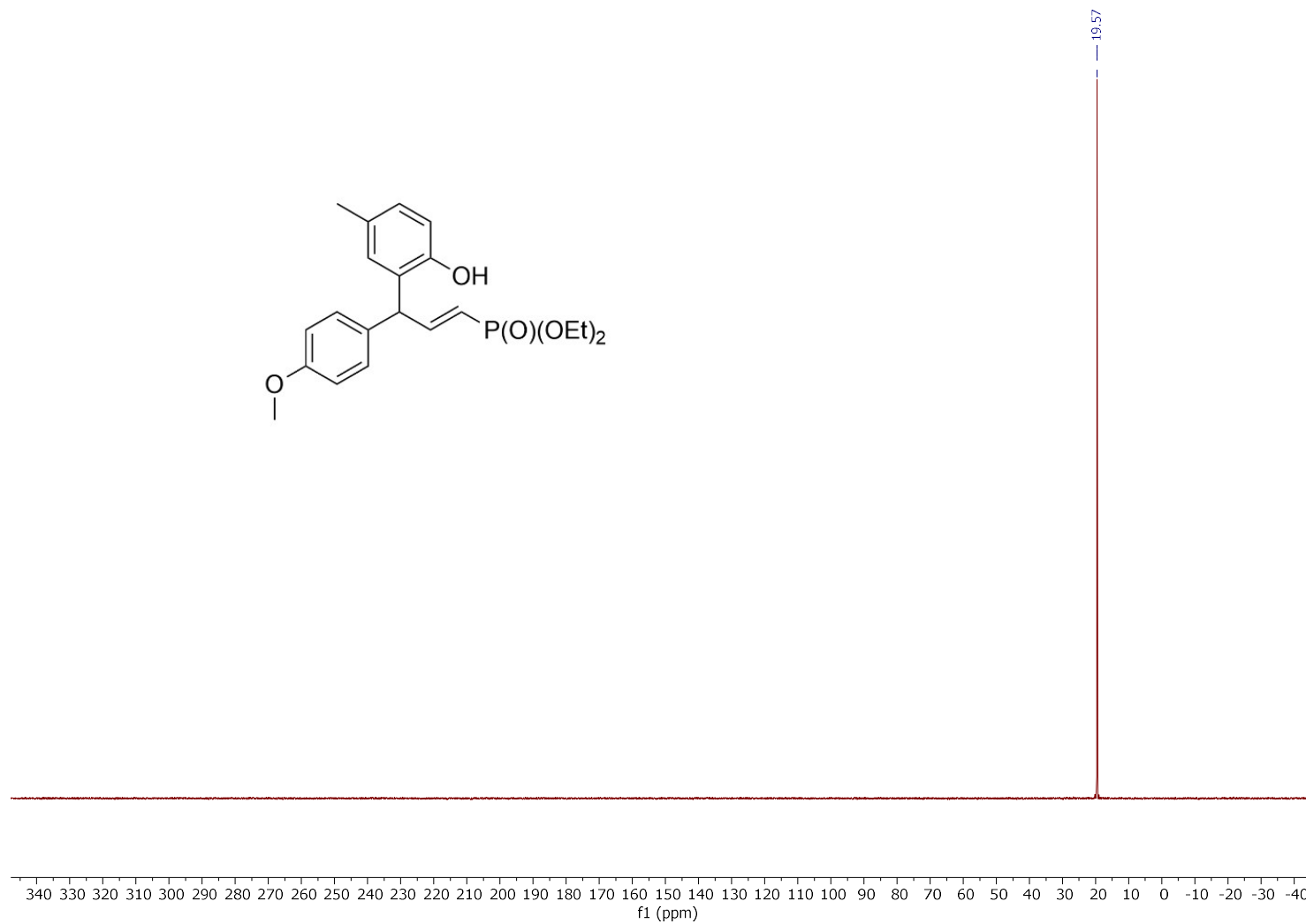


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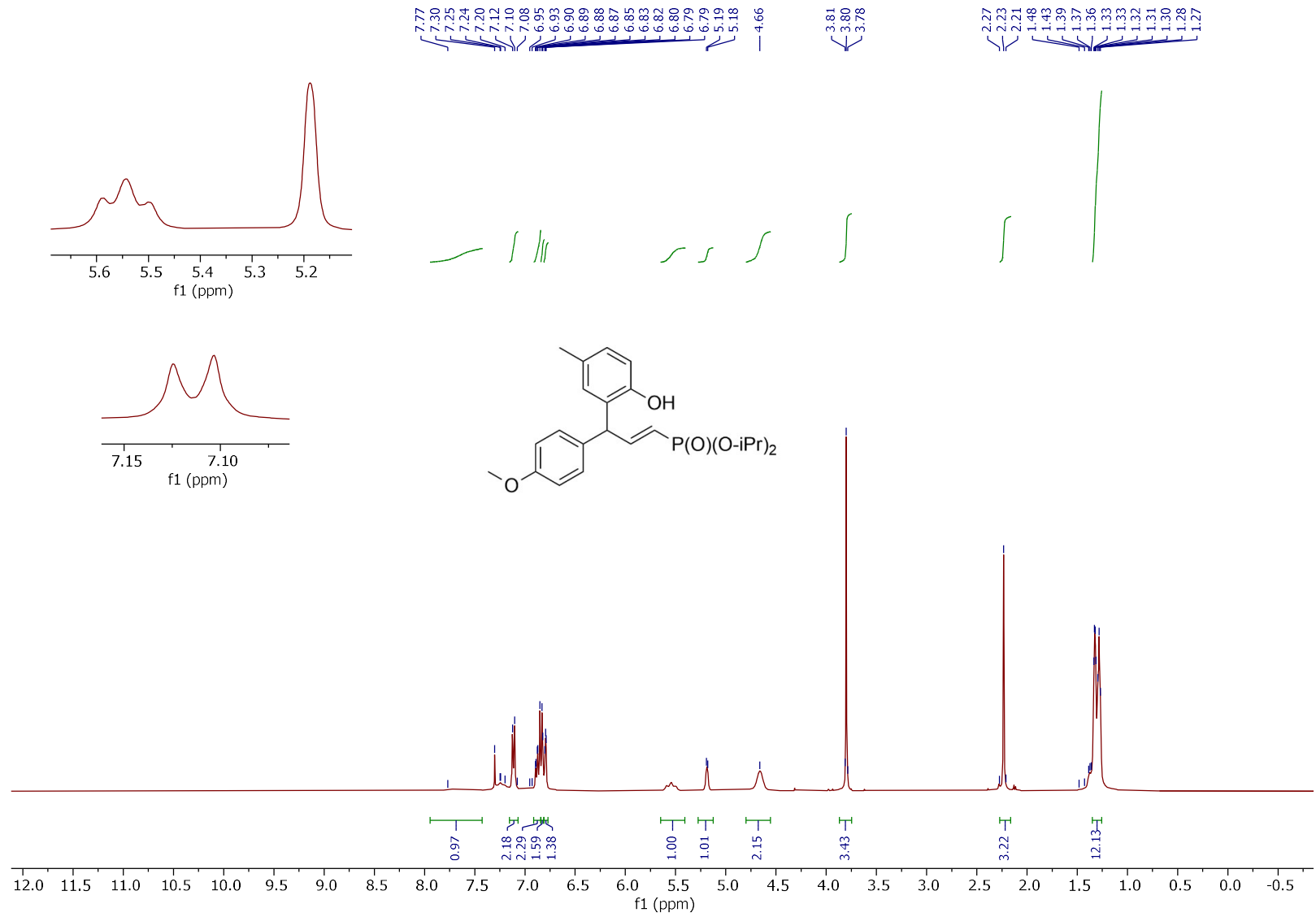


Figure S67: ¹H NMR Spectra of 3k in CDCl₃

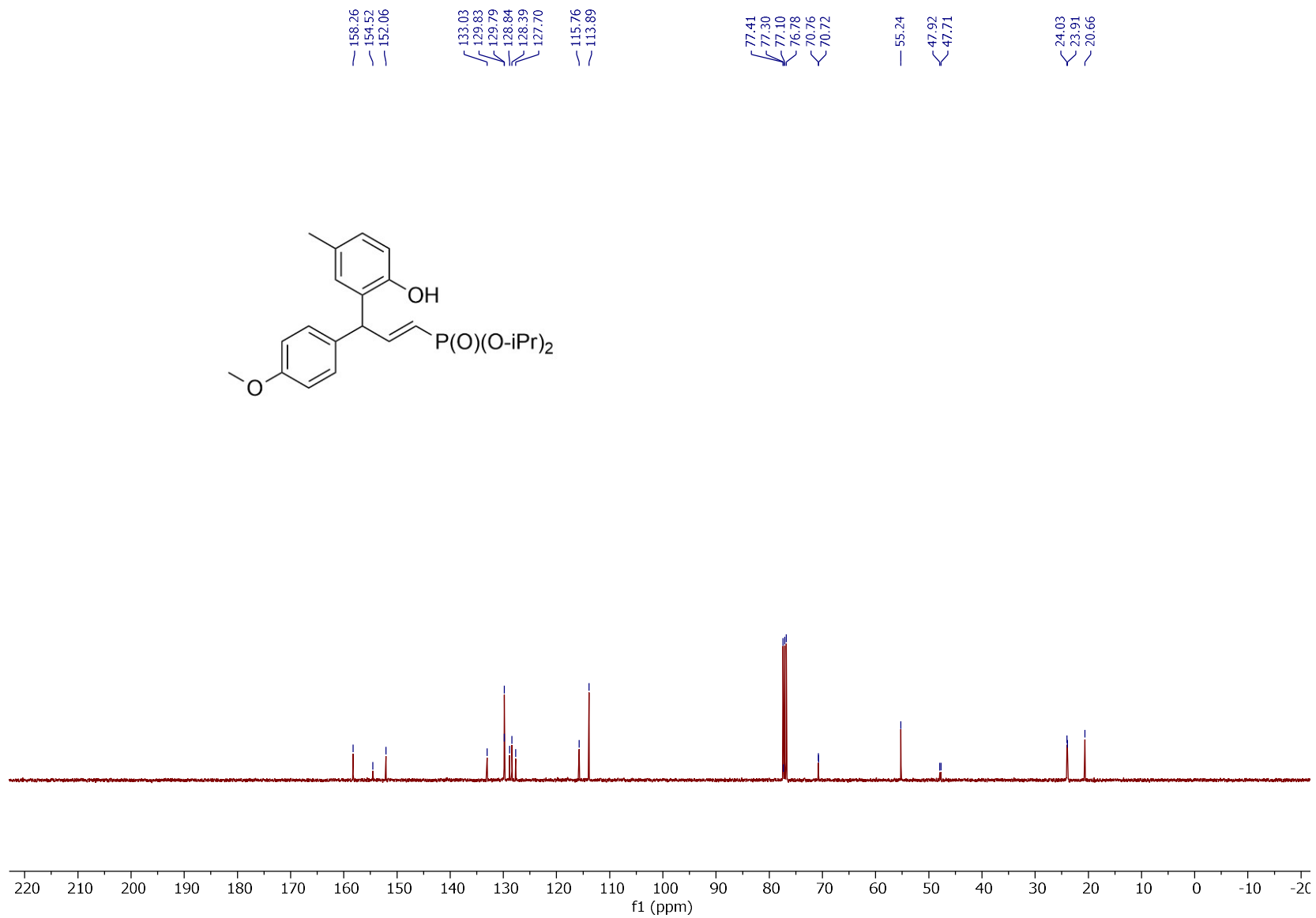


Figure S68: $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR Spectra of 3k in CDCl_3

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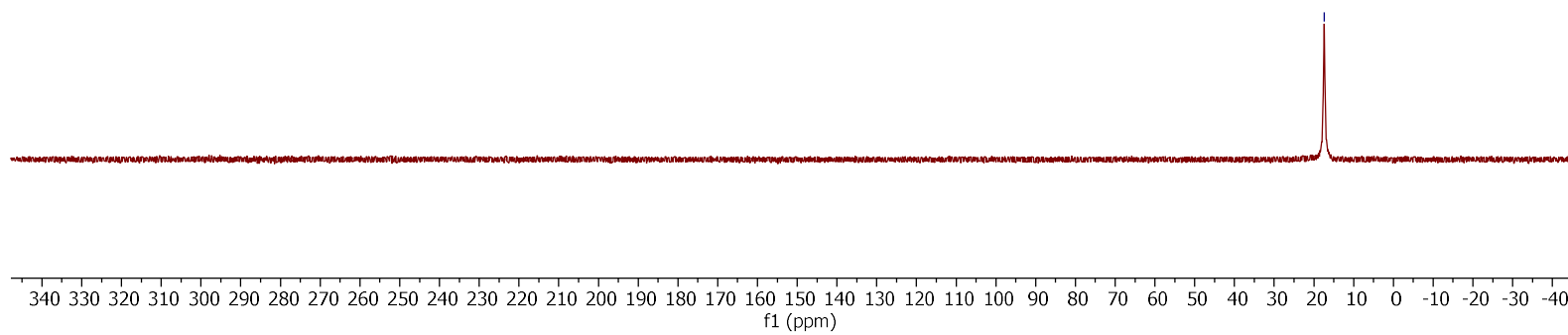
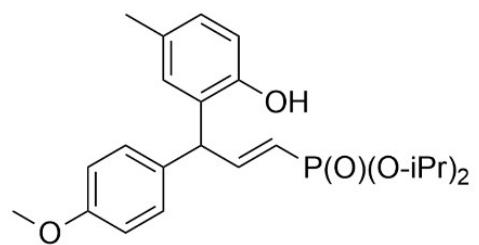


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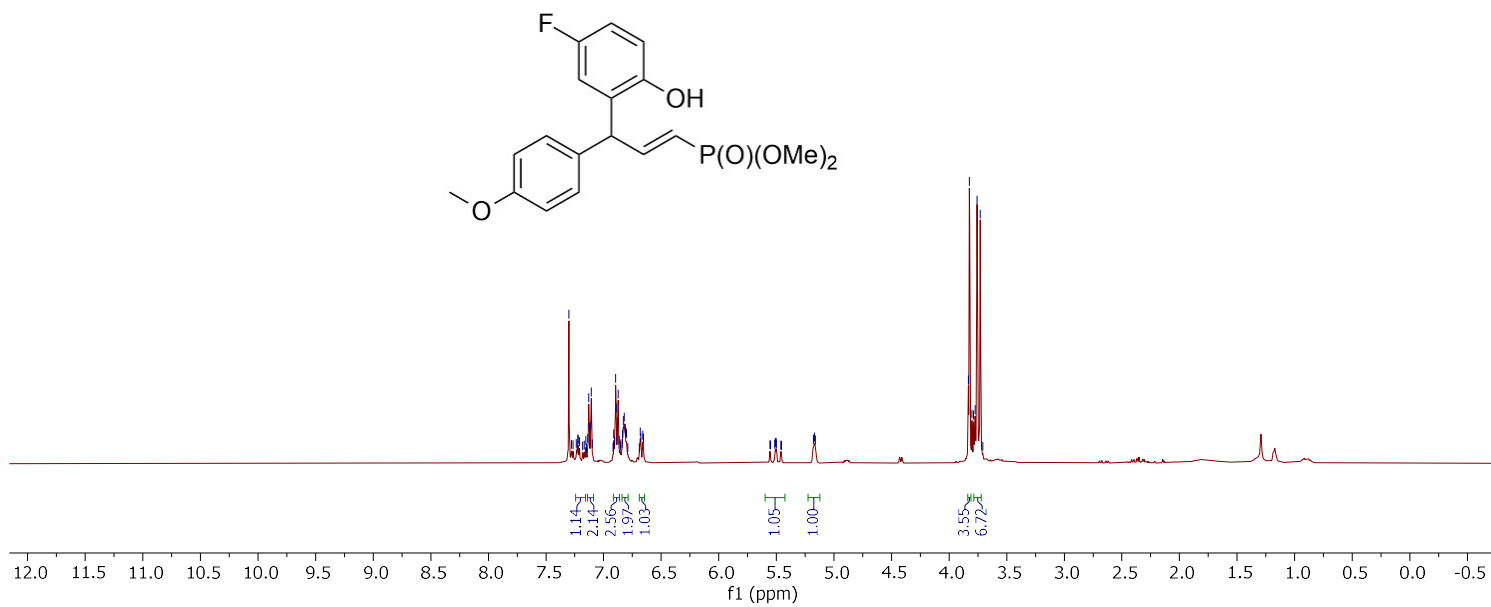
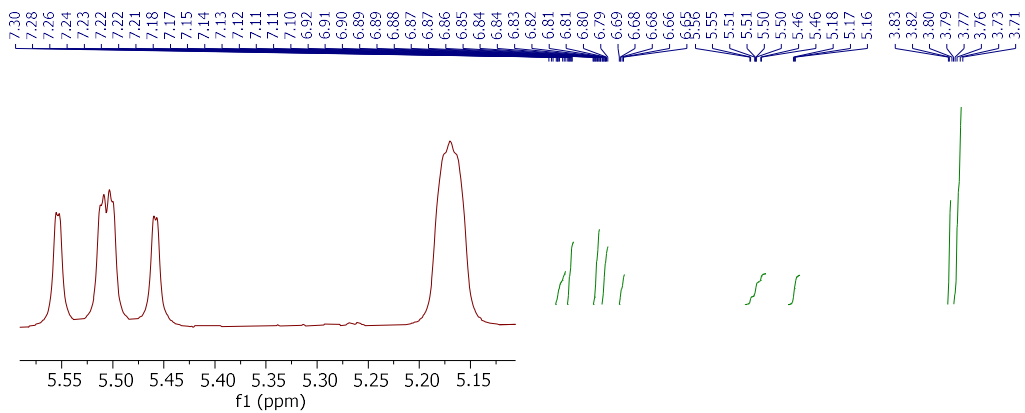


Figure S70: ^1H NMR Spectra of 3o in CDCl_3

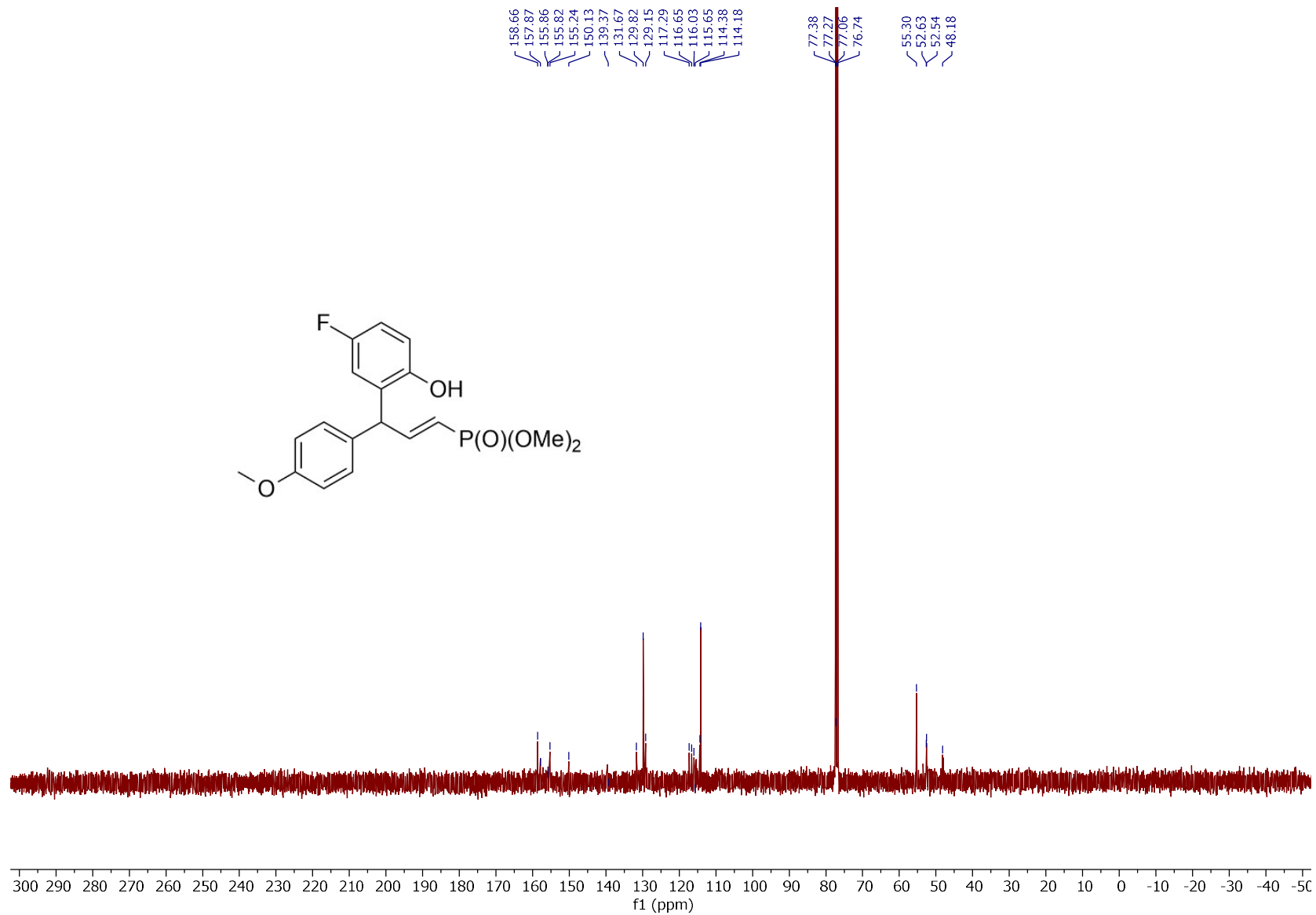


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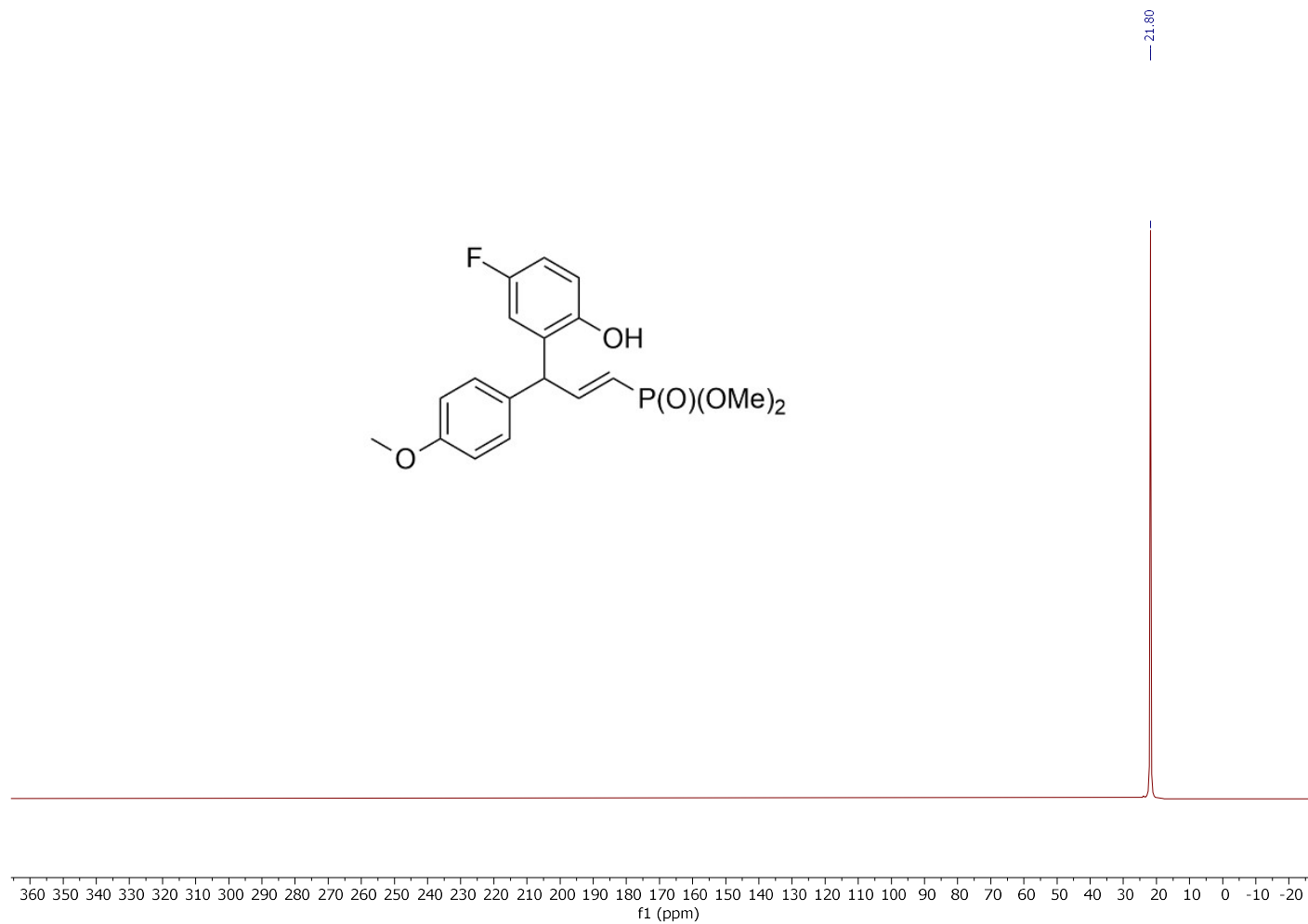


Figure S72: $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR Spectra of **3o** in CDCl_3

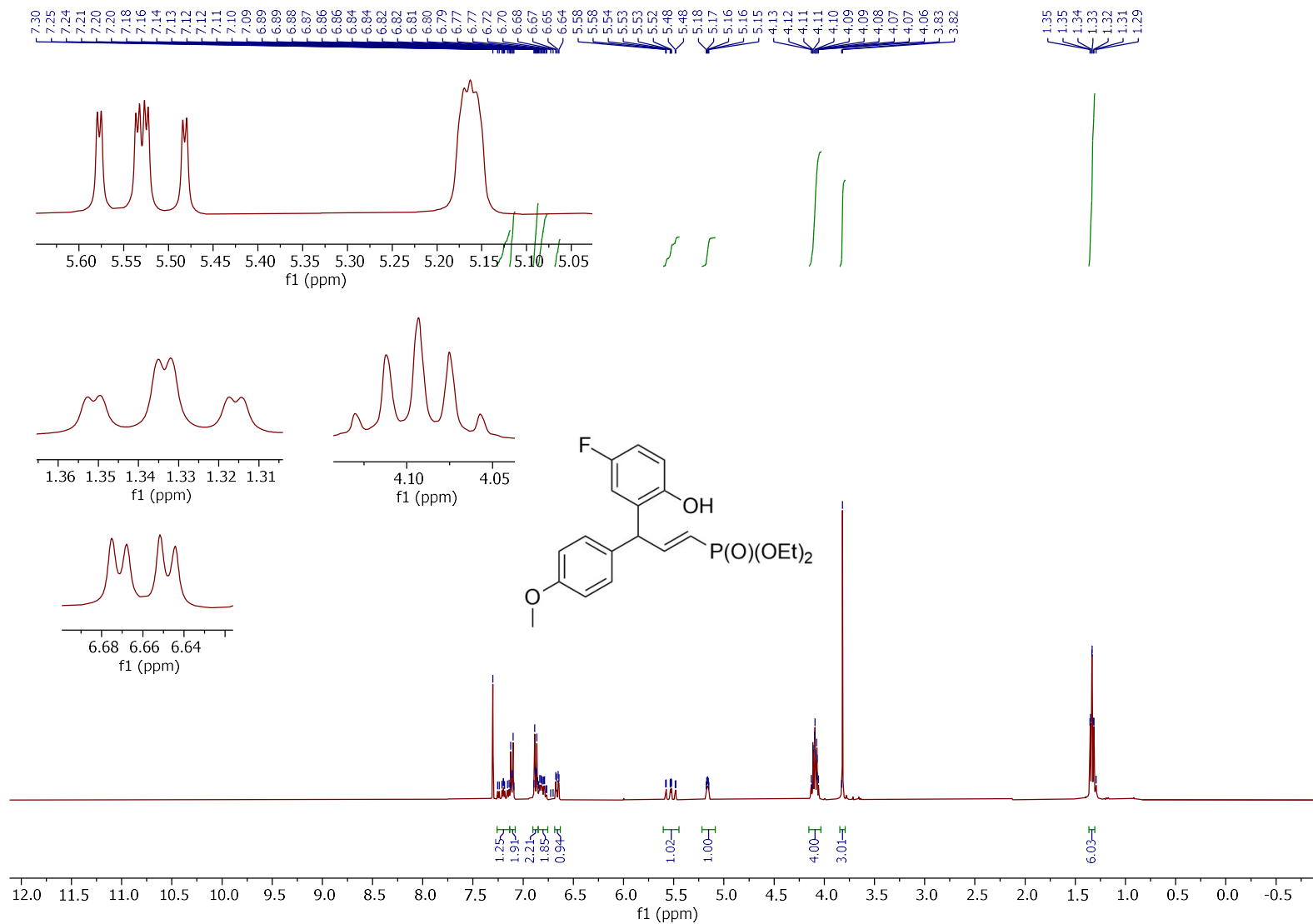


Figure S73: ^1H NMR Spectra of 3p in CDCl_3

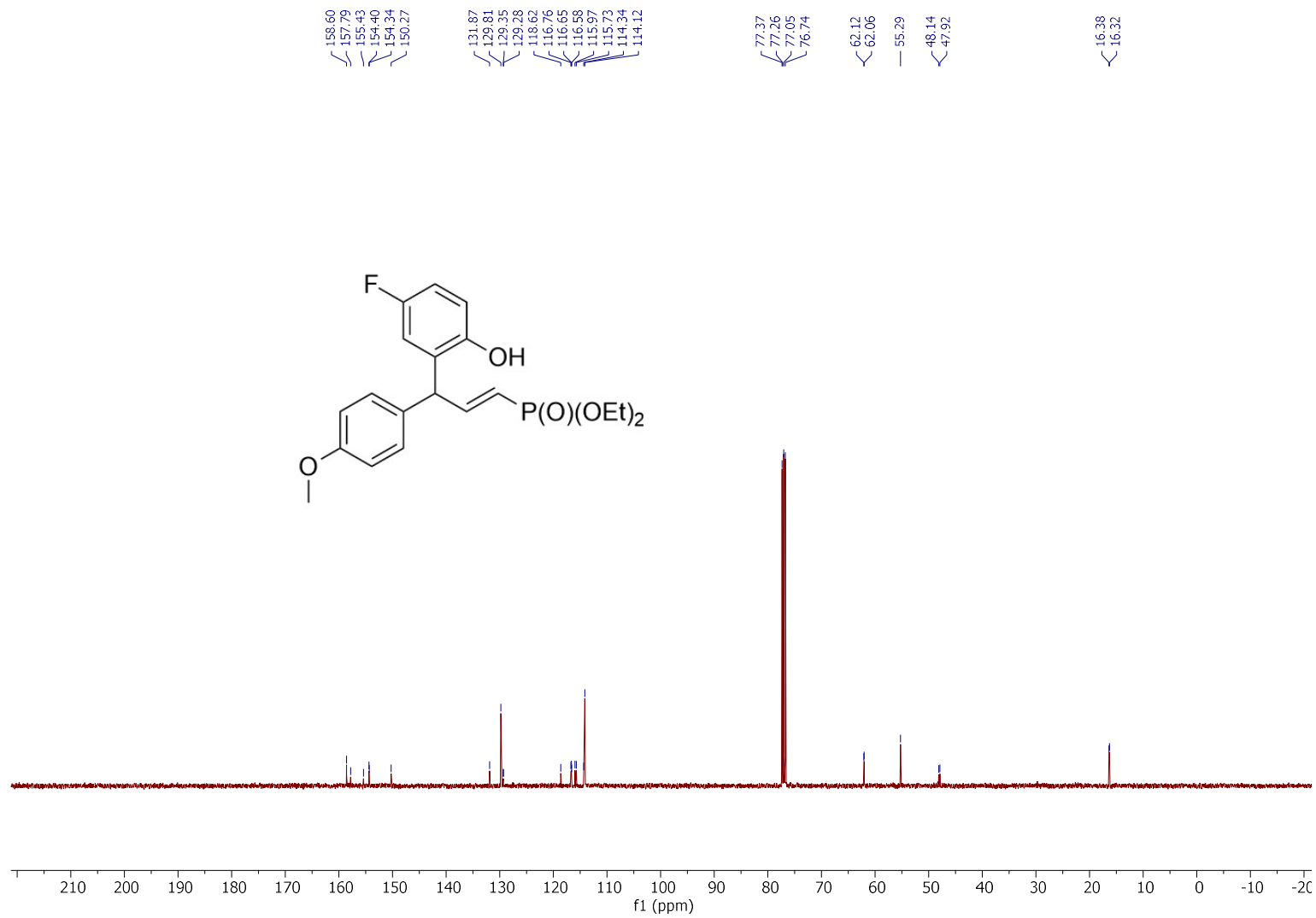


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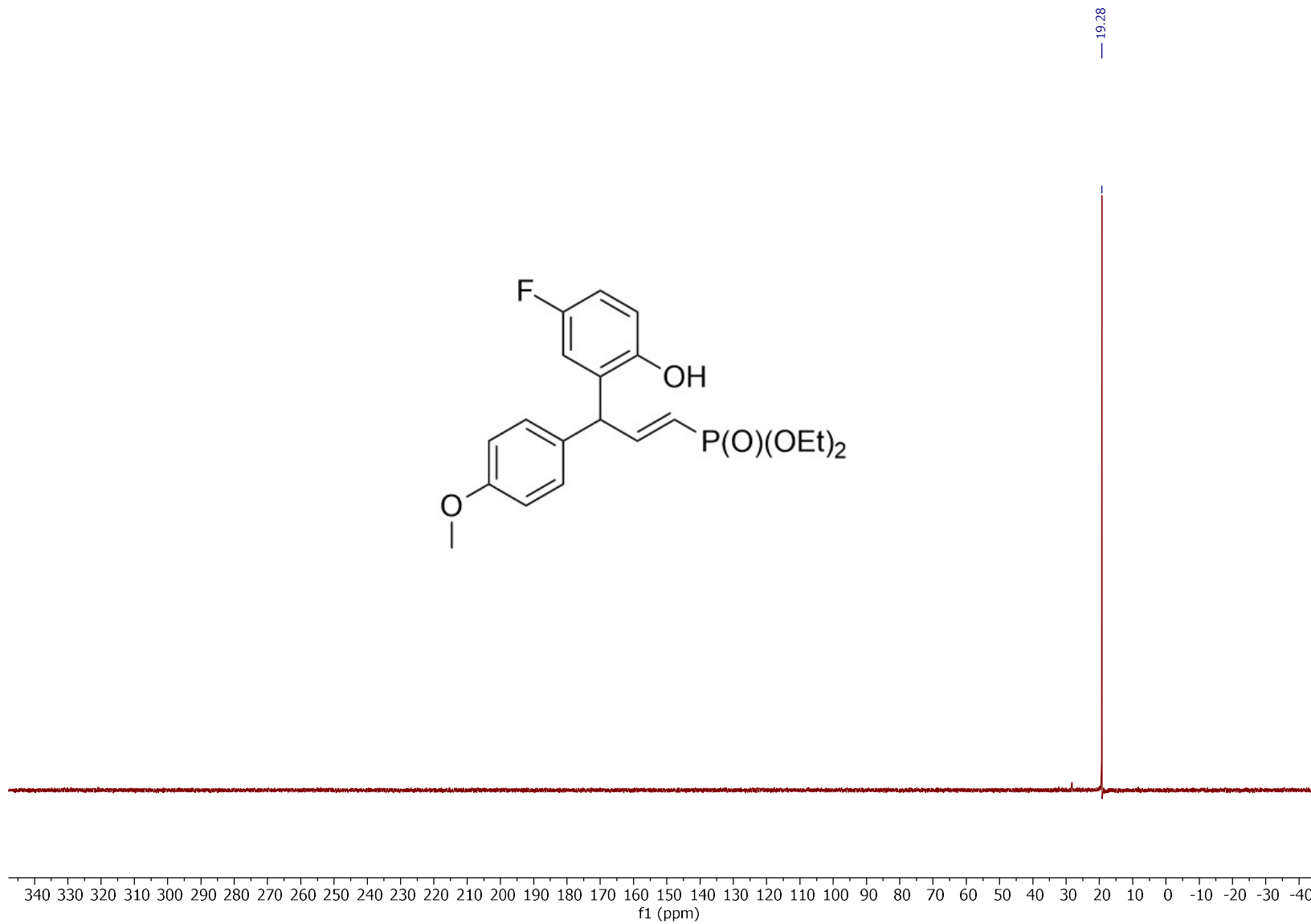


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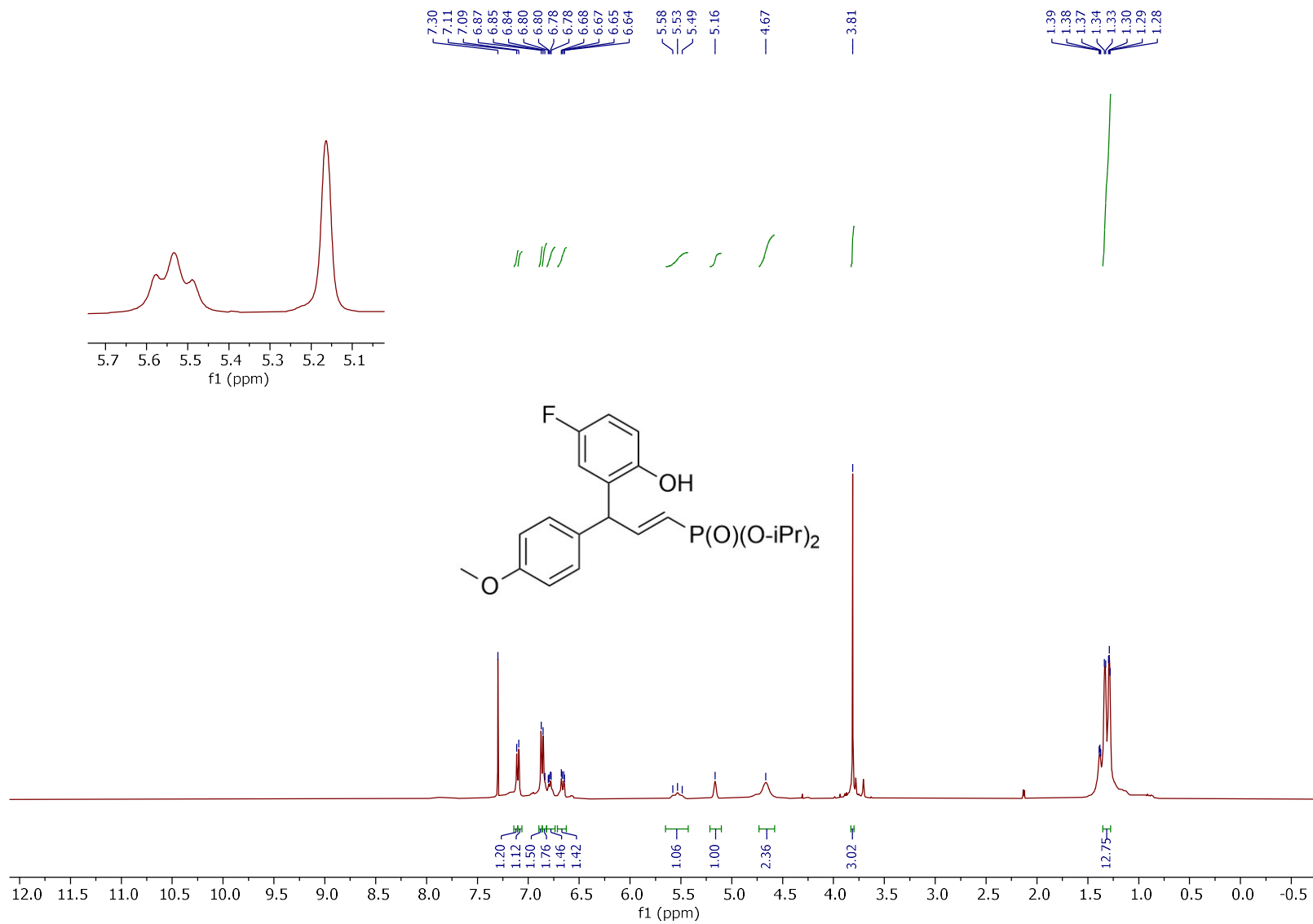


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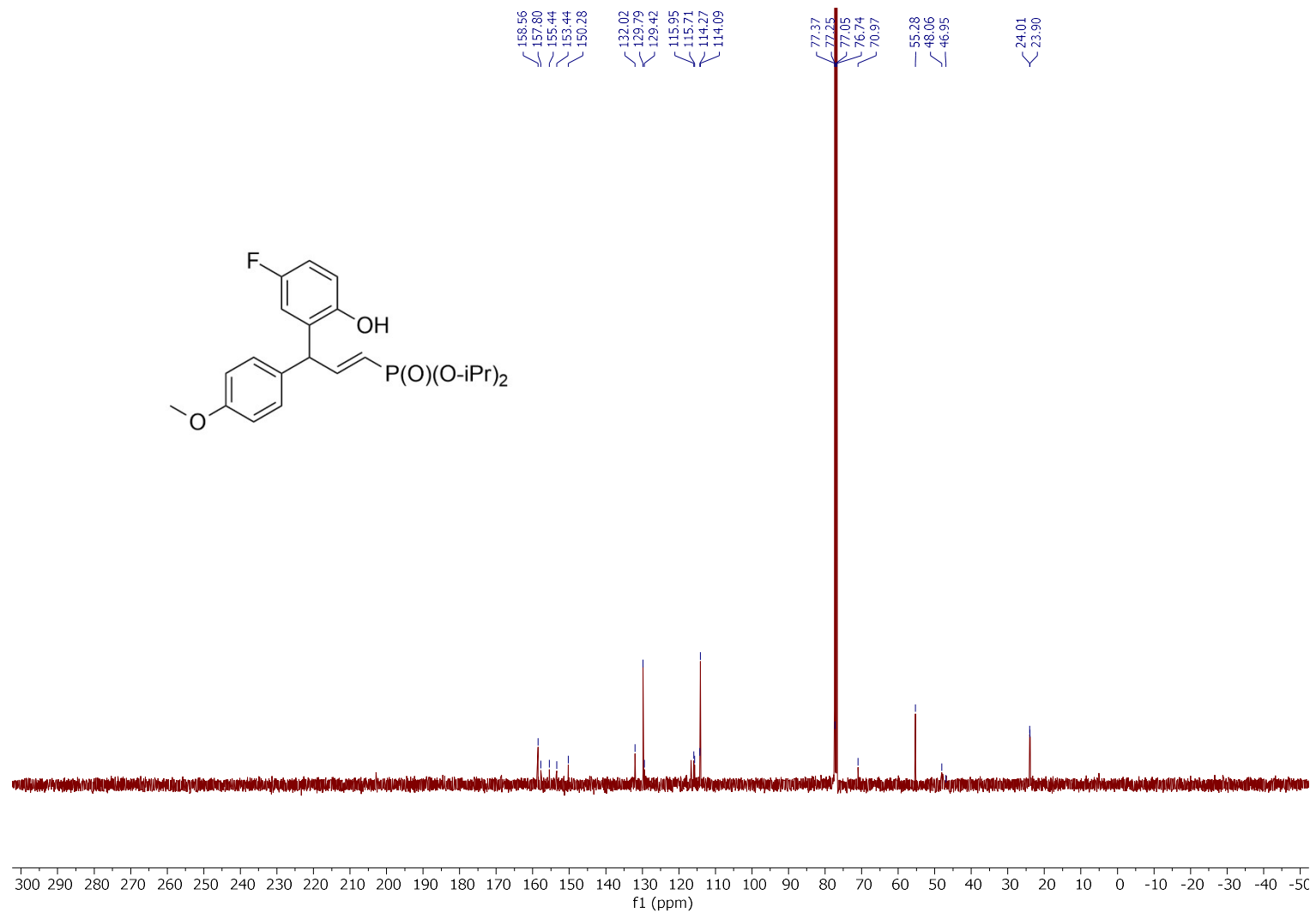


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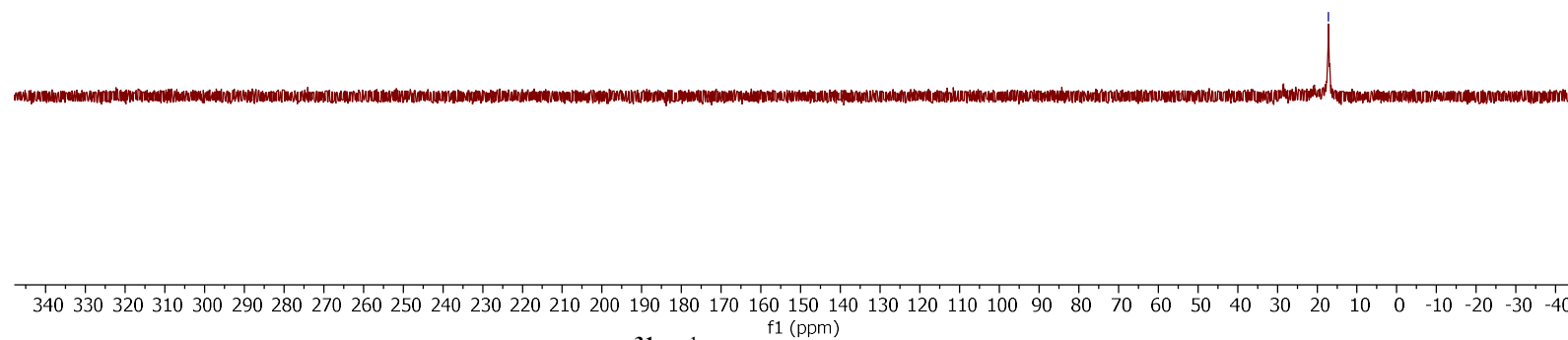
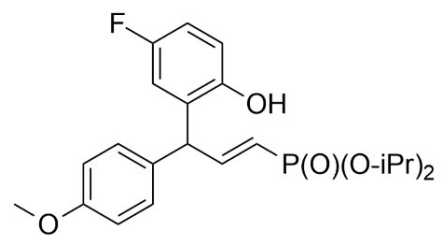


Figure S78: $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR Spectra of 3q in CDCl_3

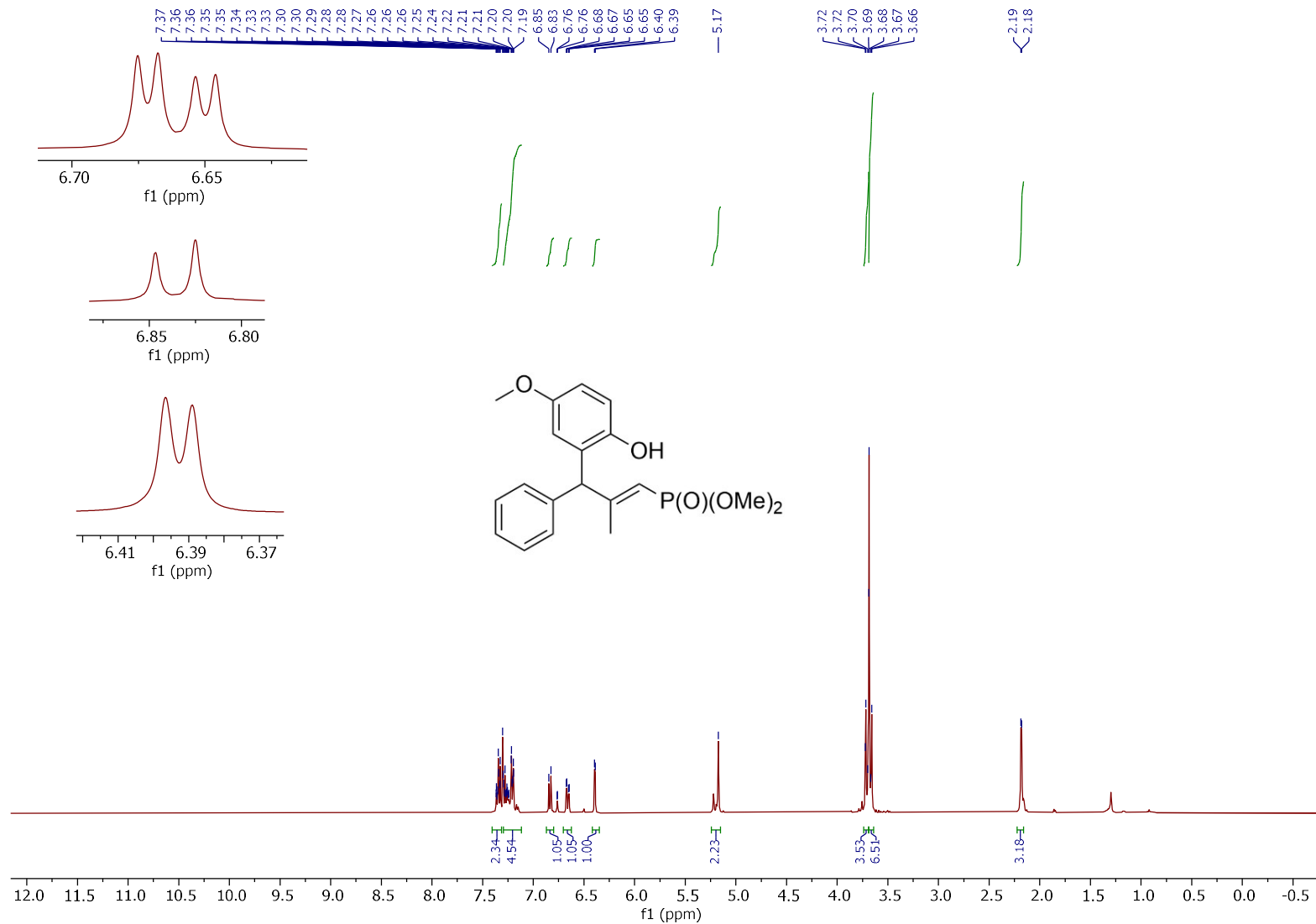


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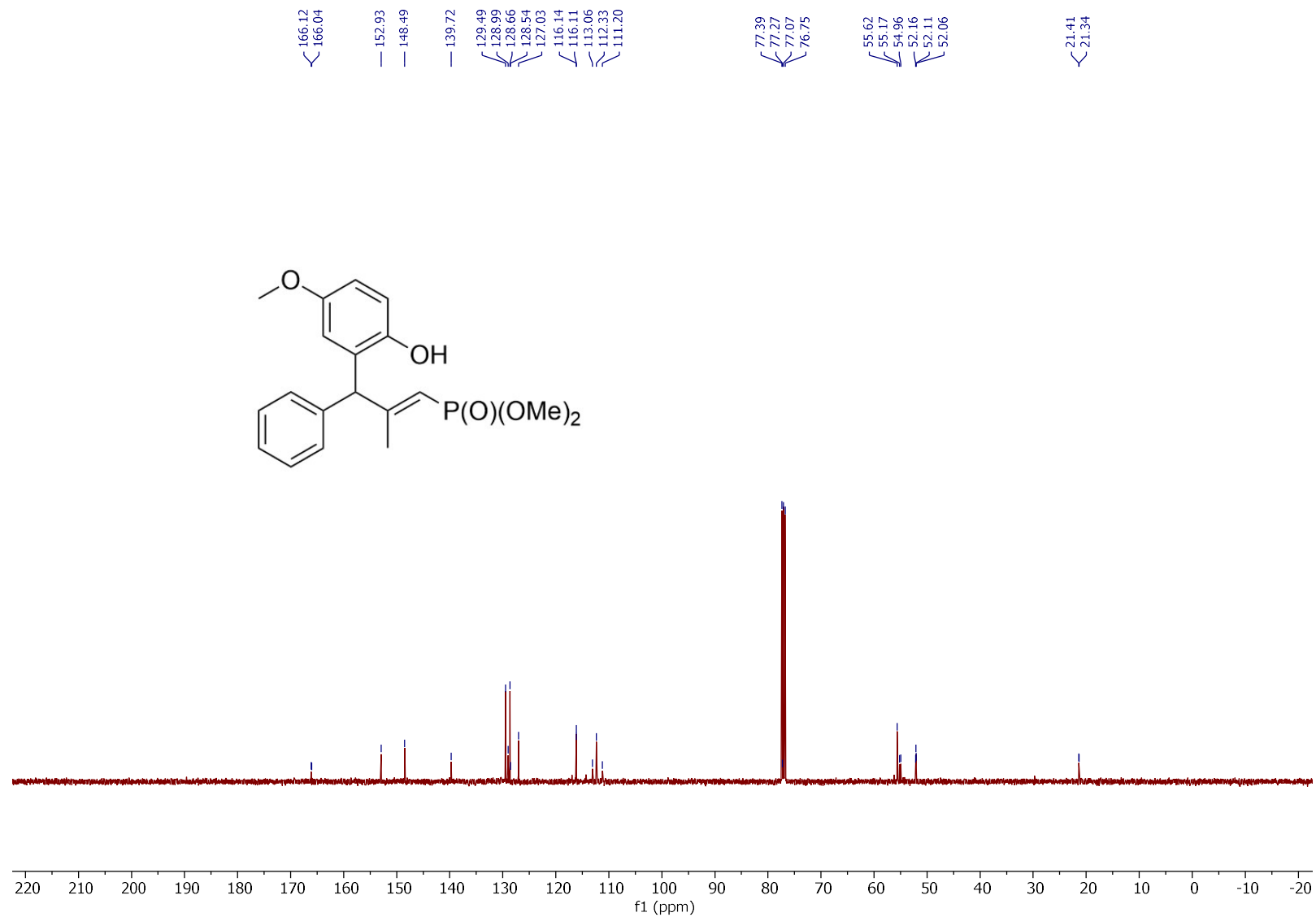


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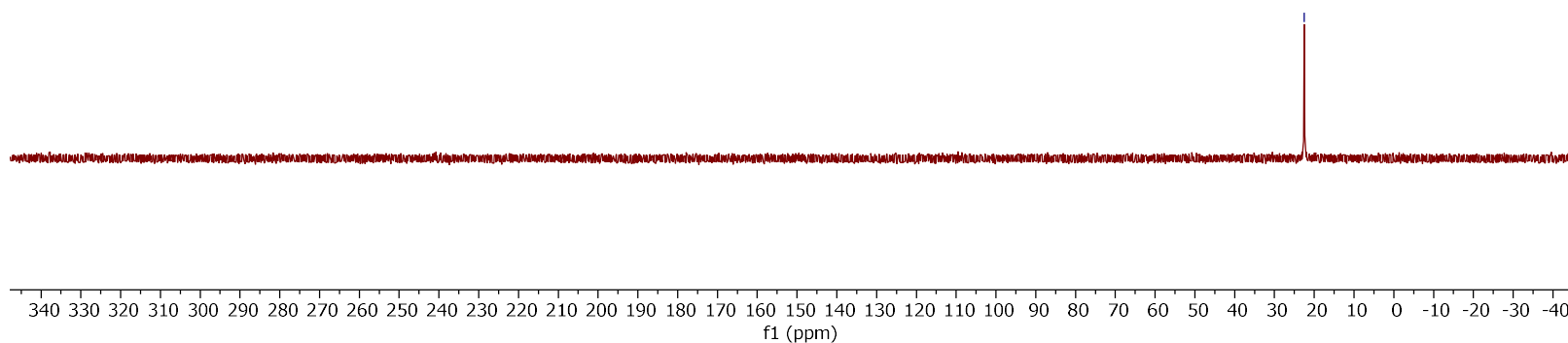
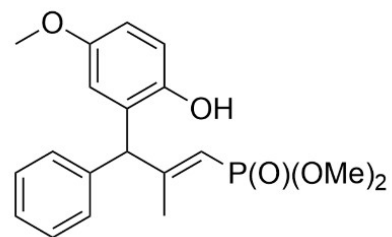


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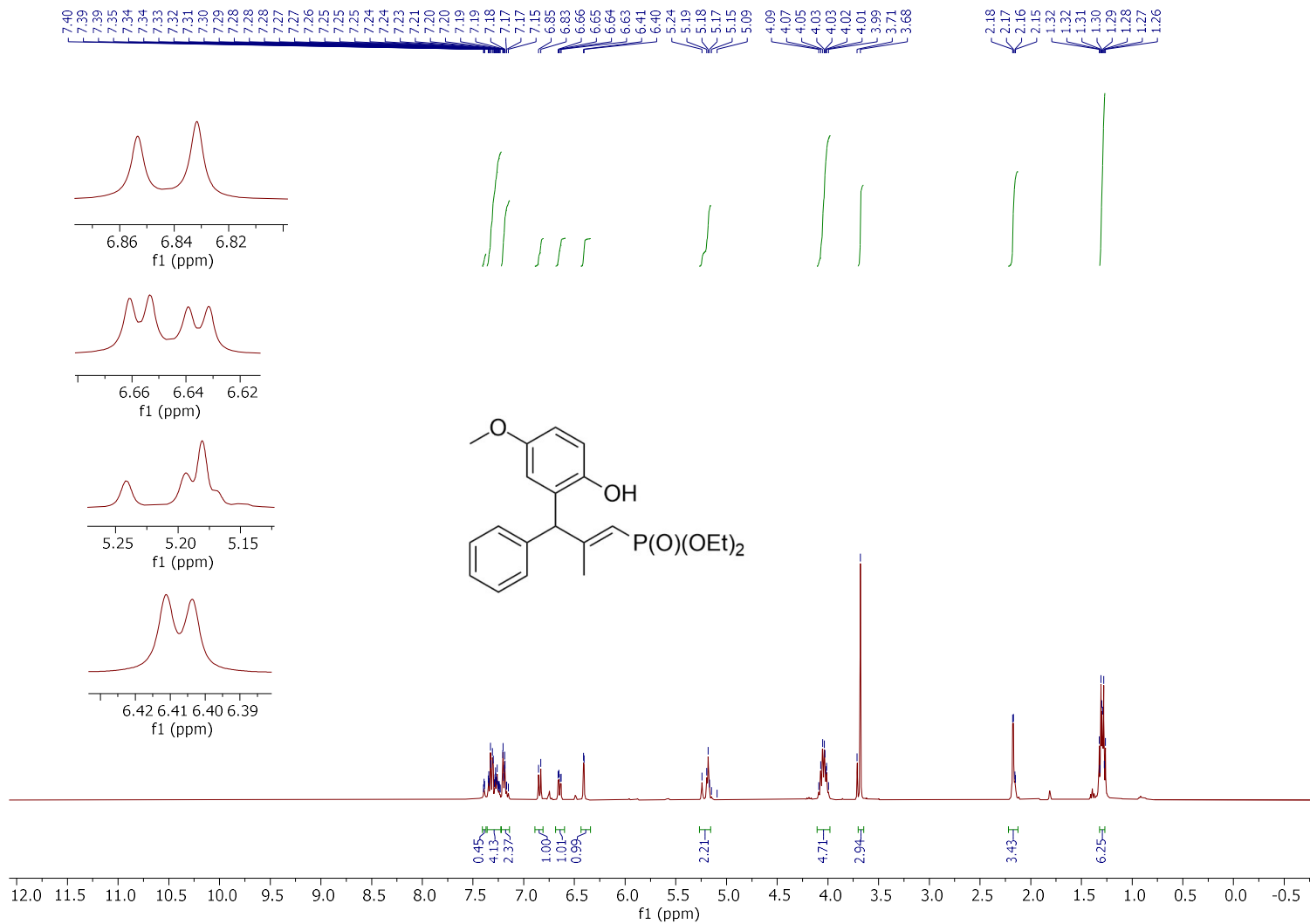


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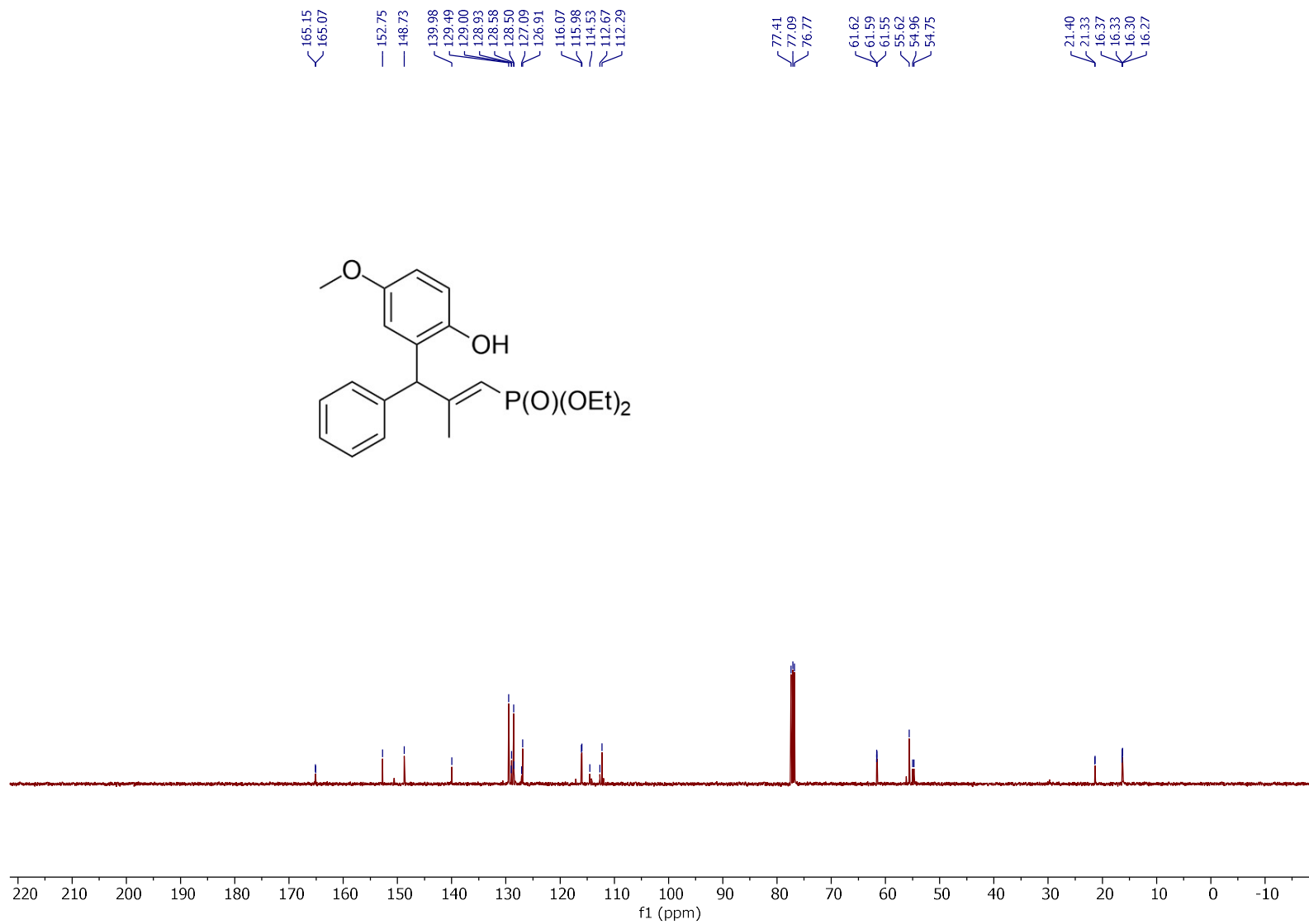


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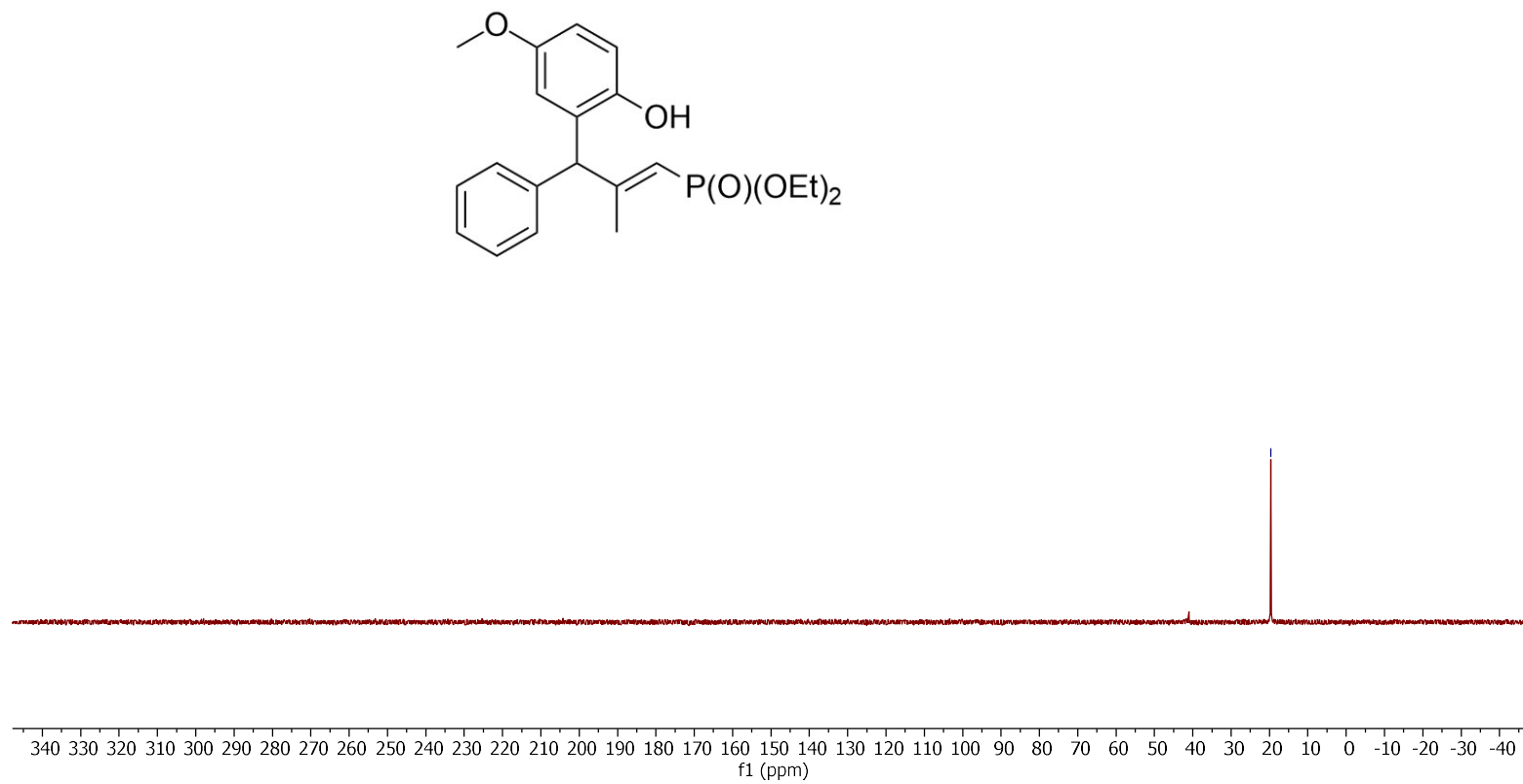


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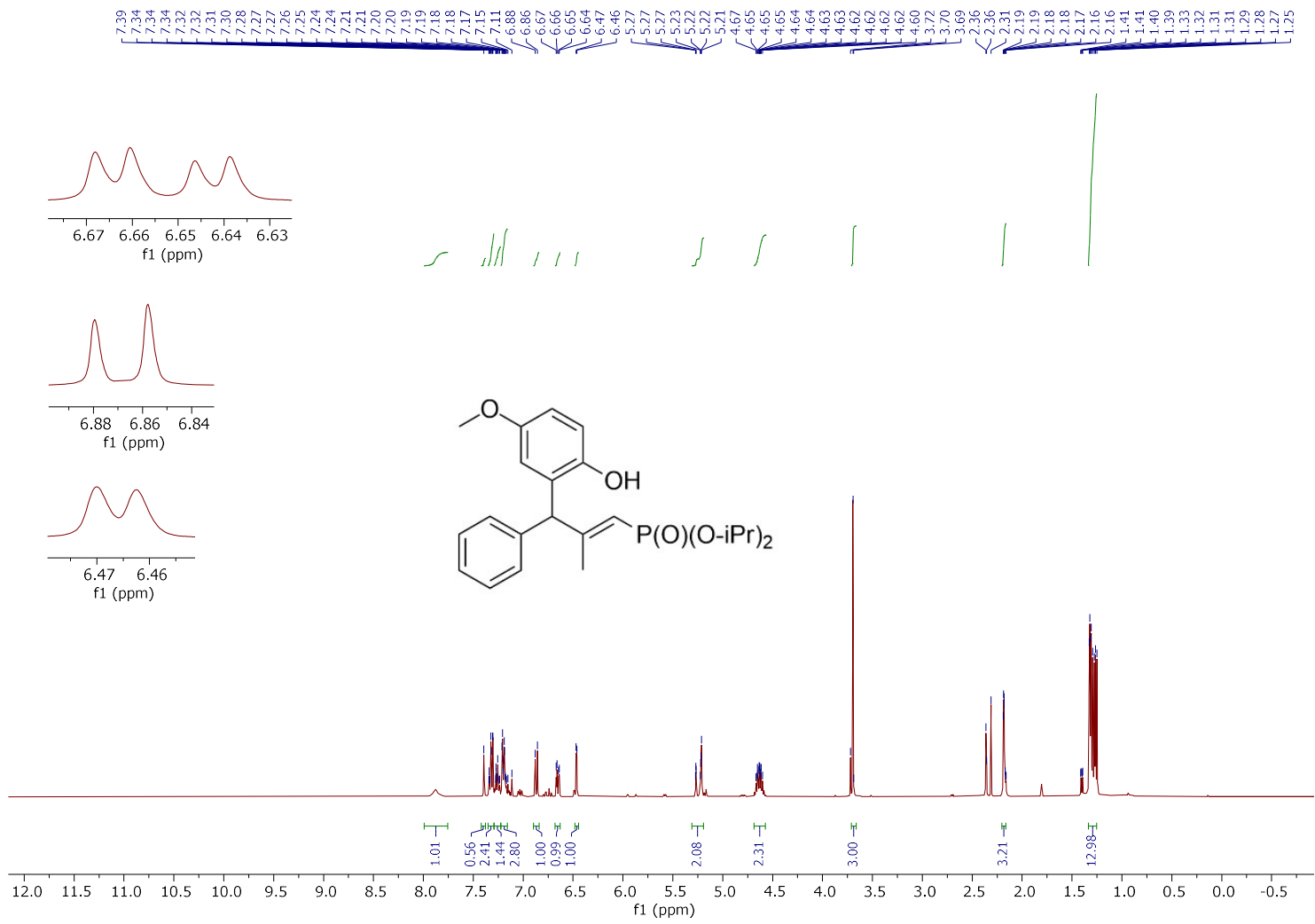


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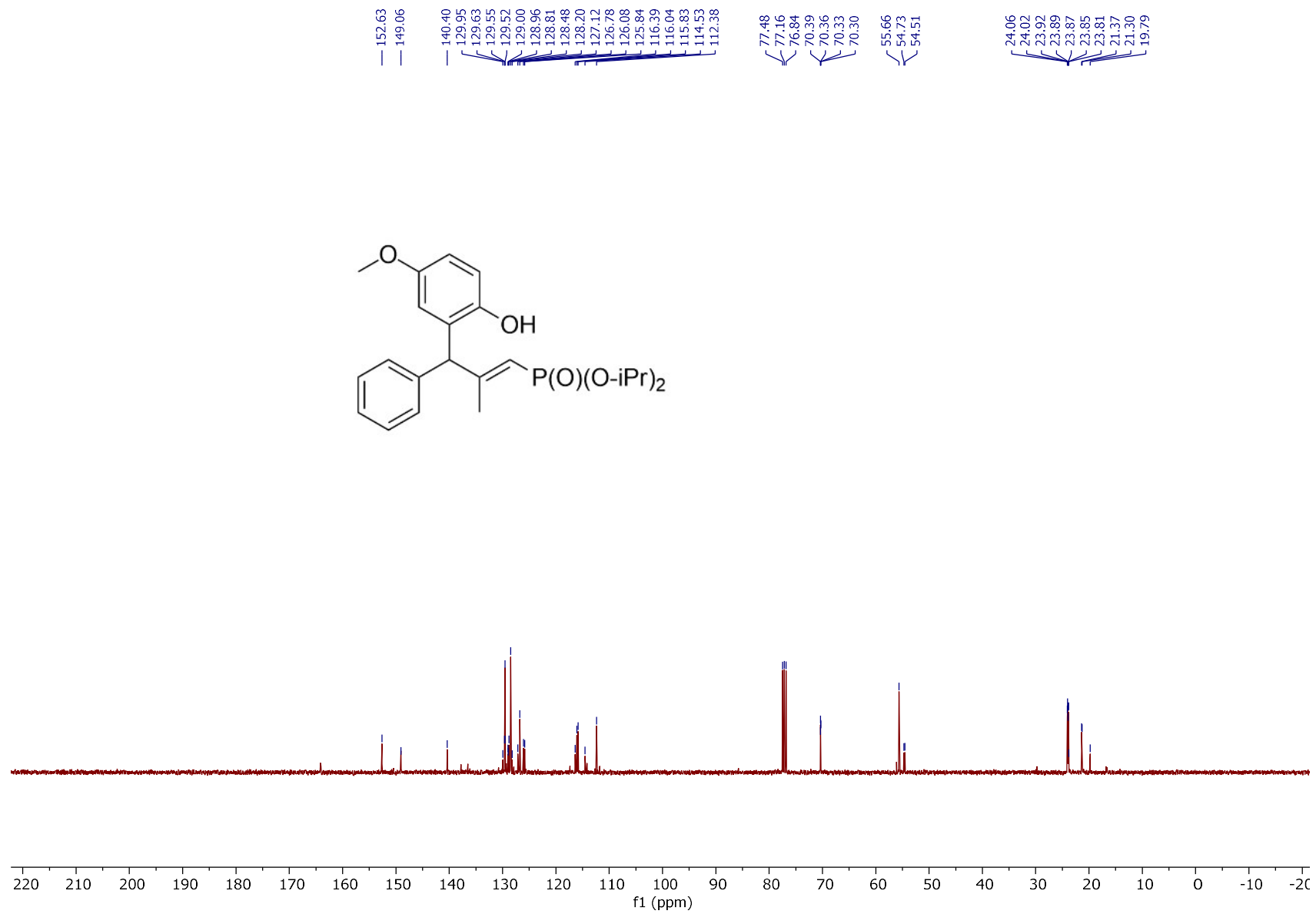


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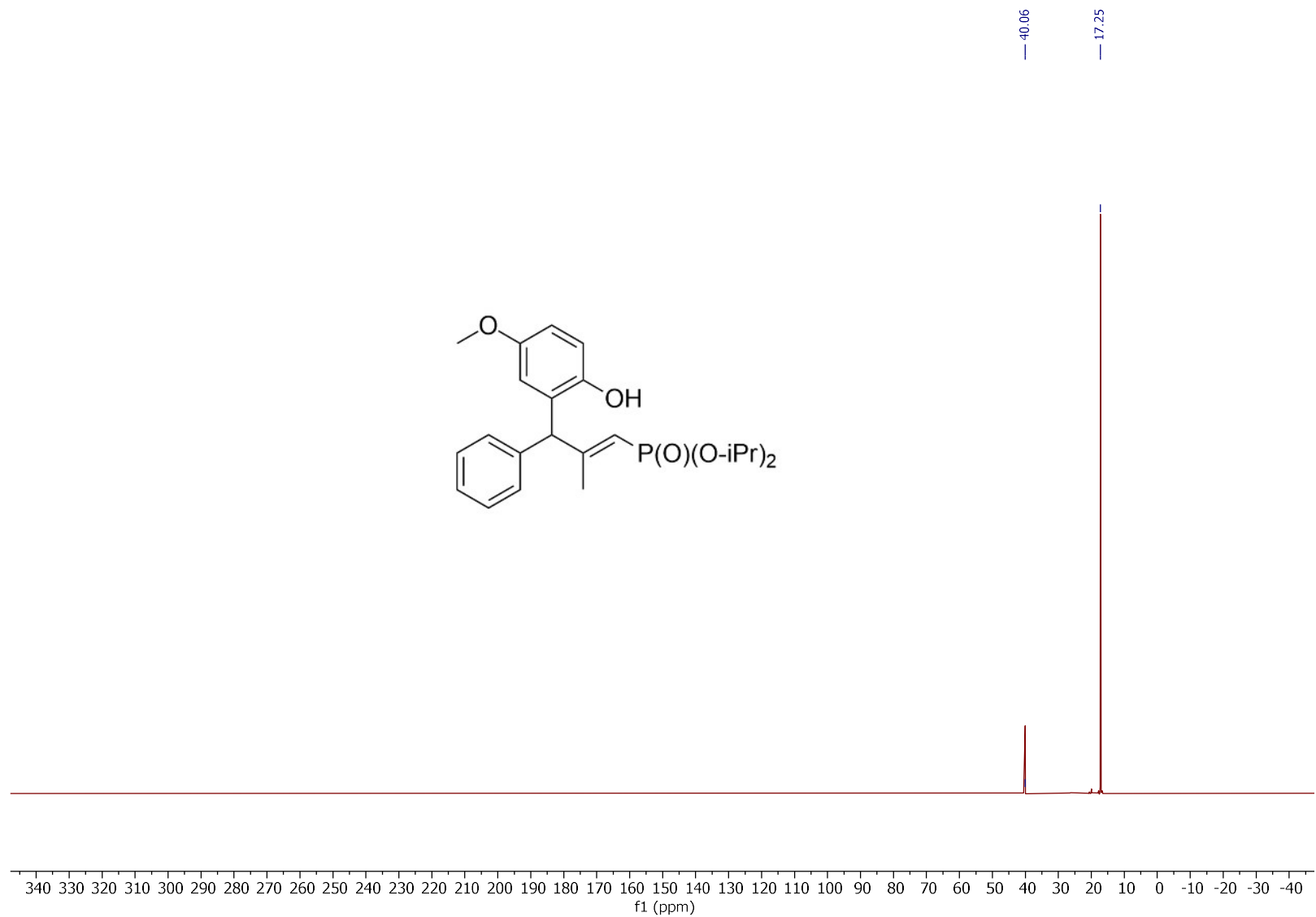


Figure S87: $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR Spectra of 3w in CDCl_3

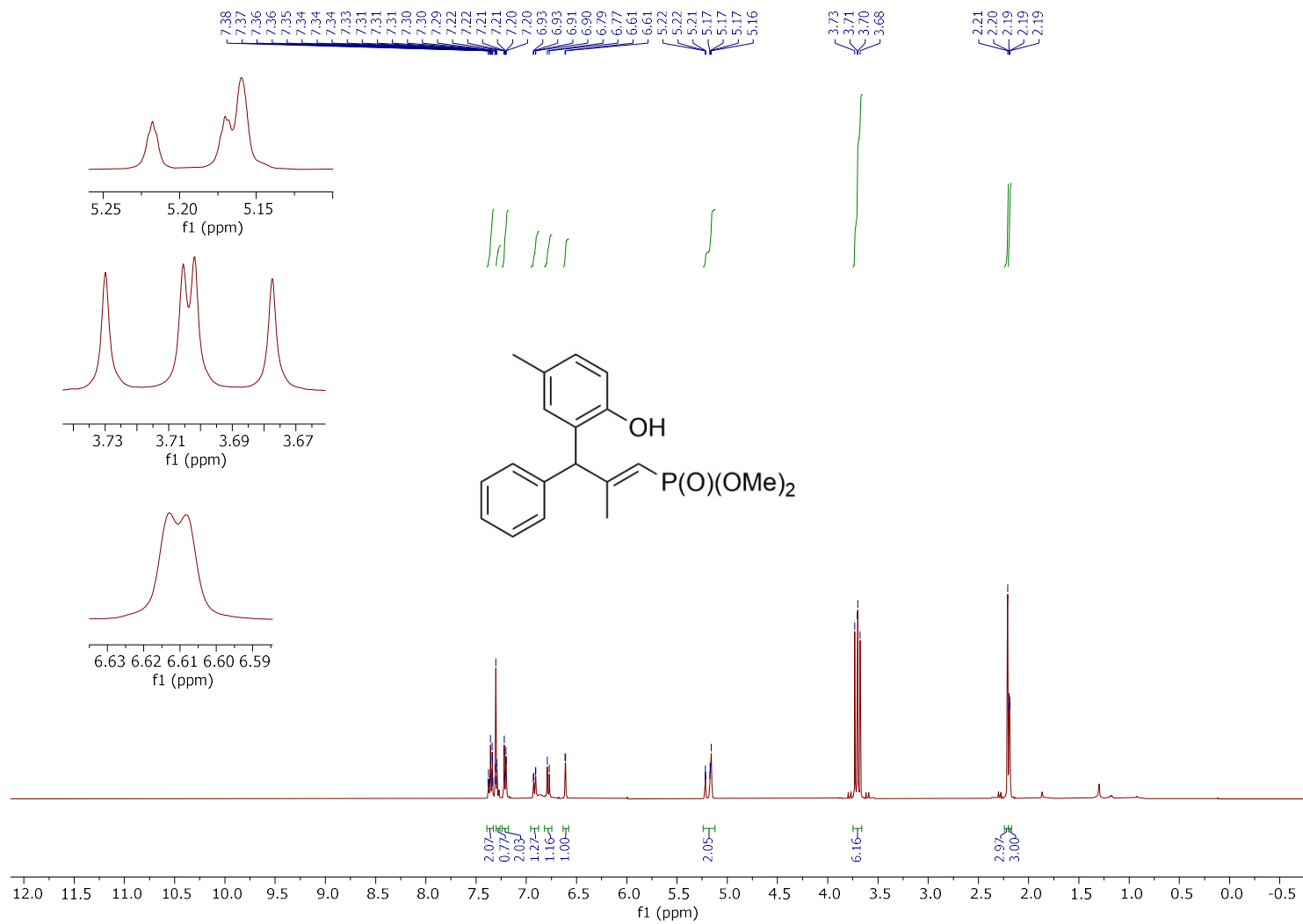


Figure S88: ^1H NMR Spectra of 3r in CDCl_3

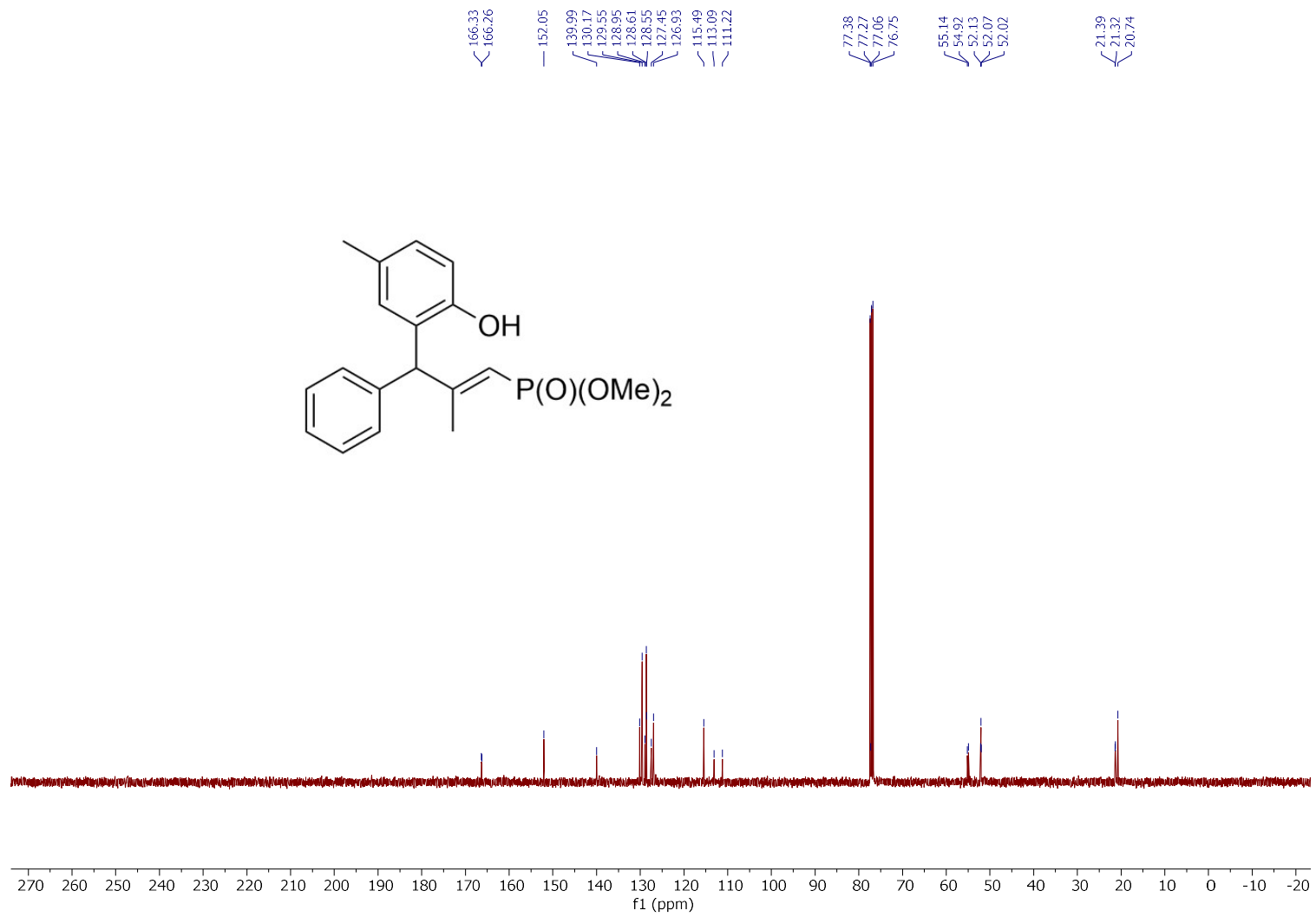


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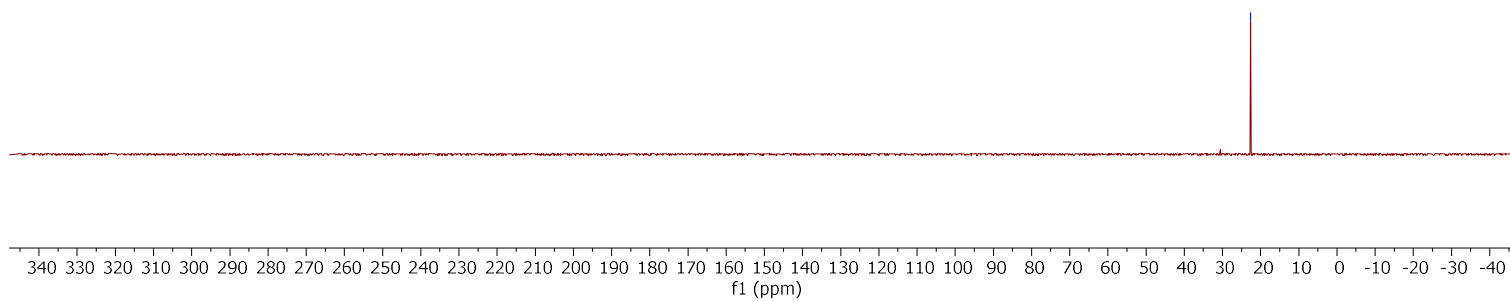
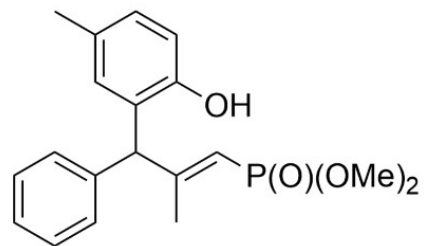


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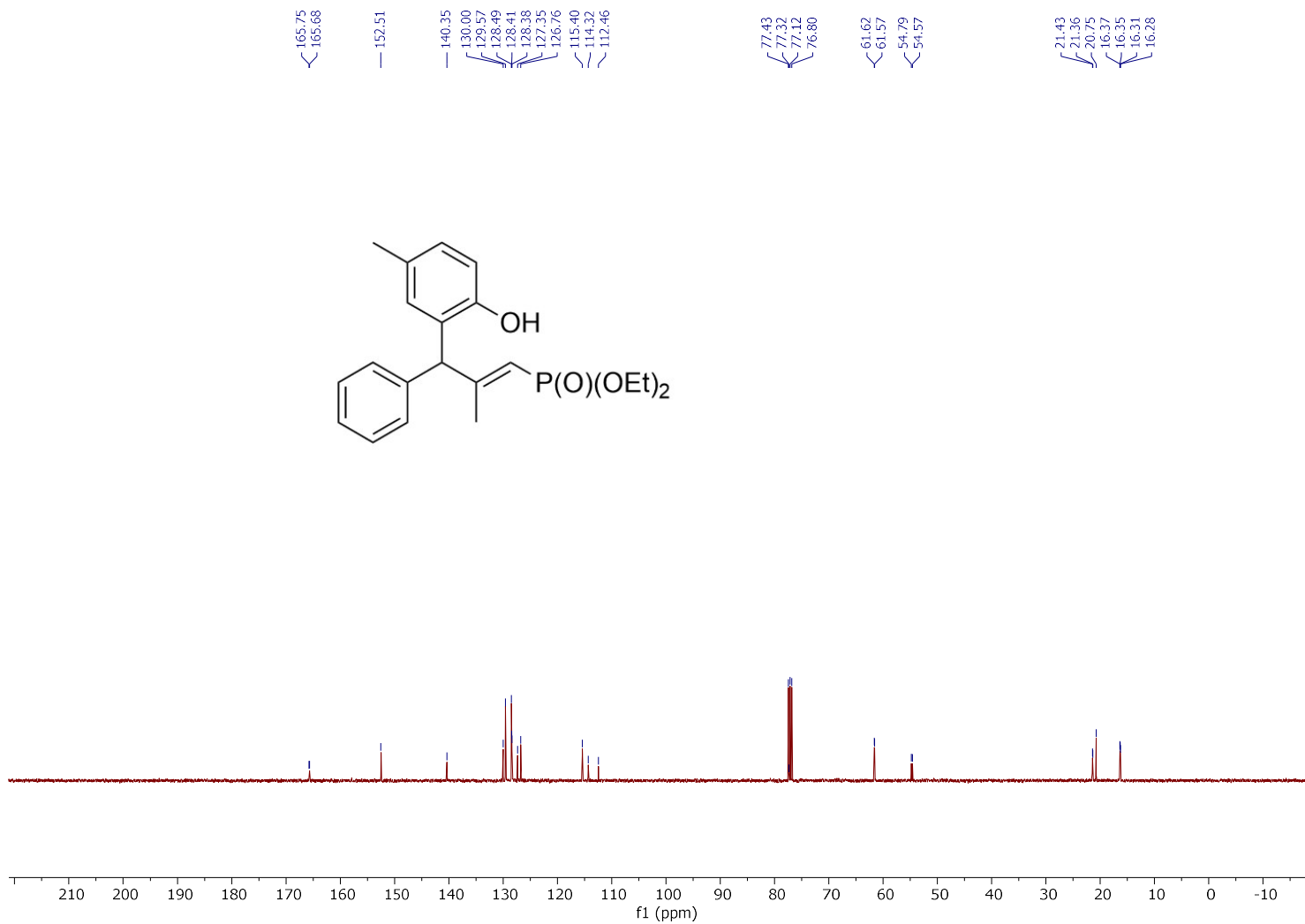


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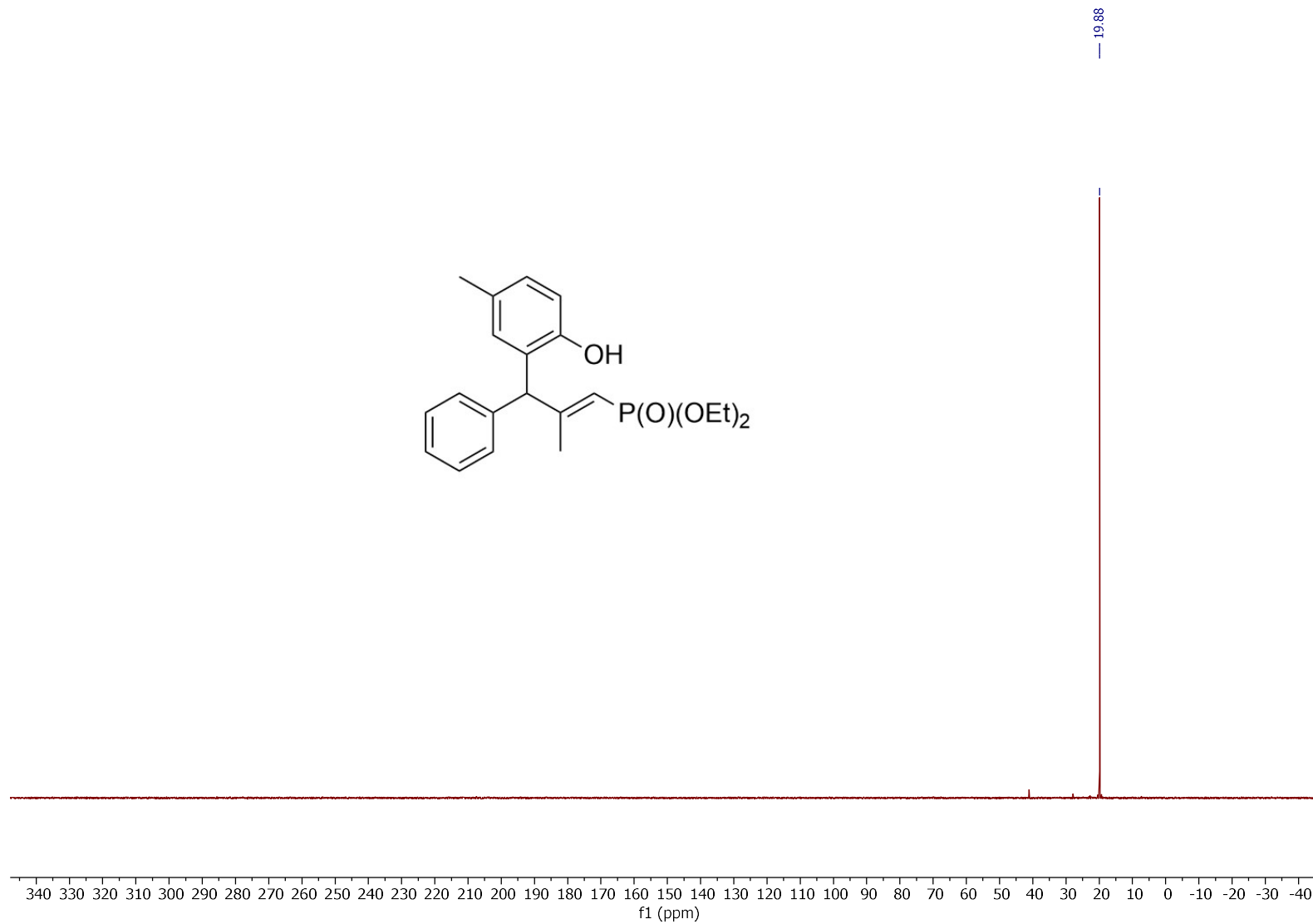
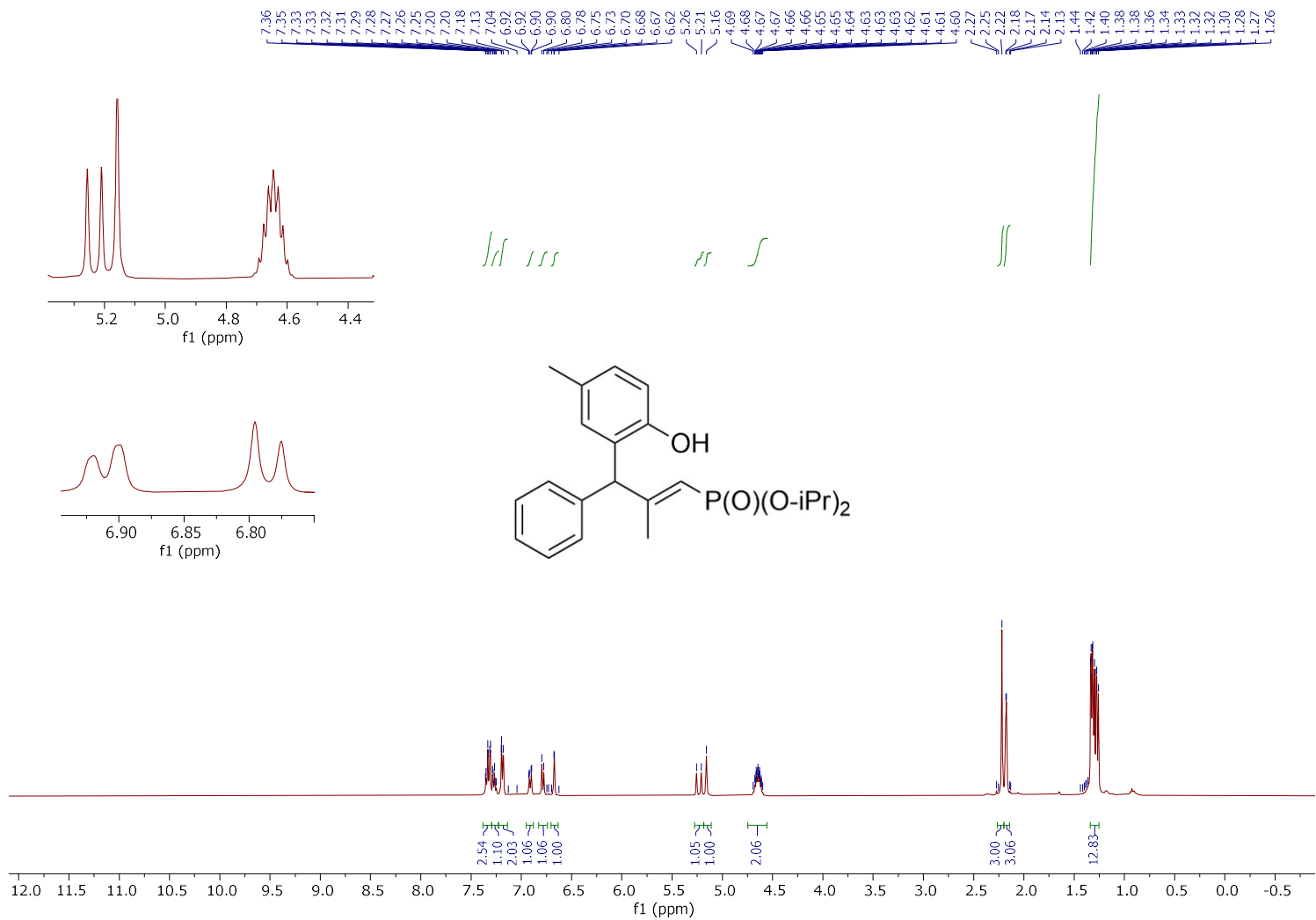


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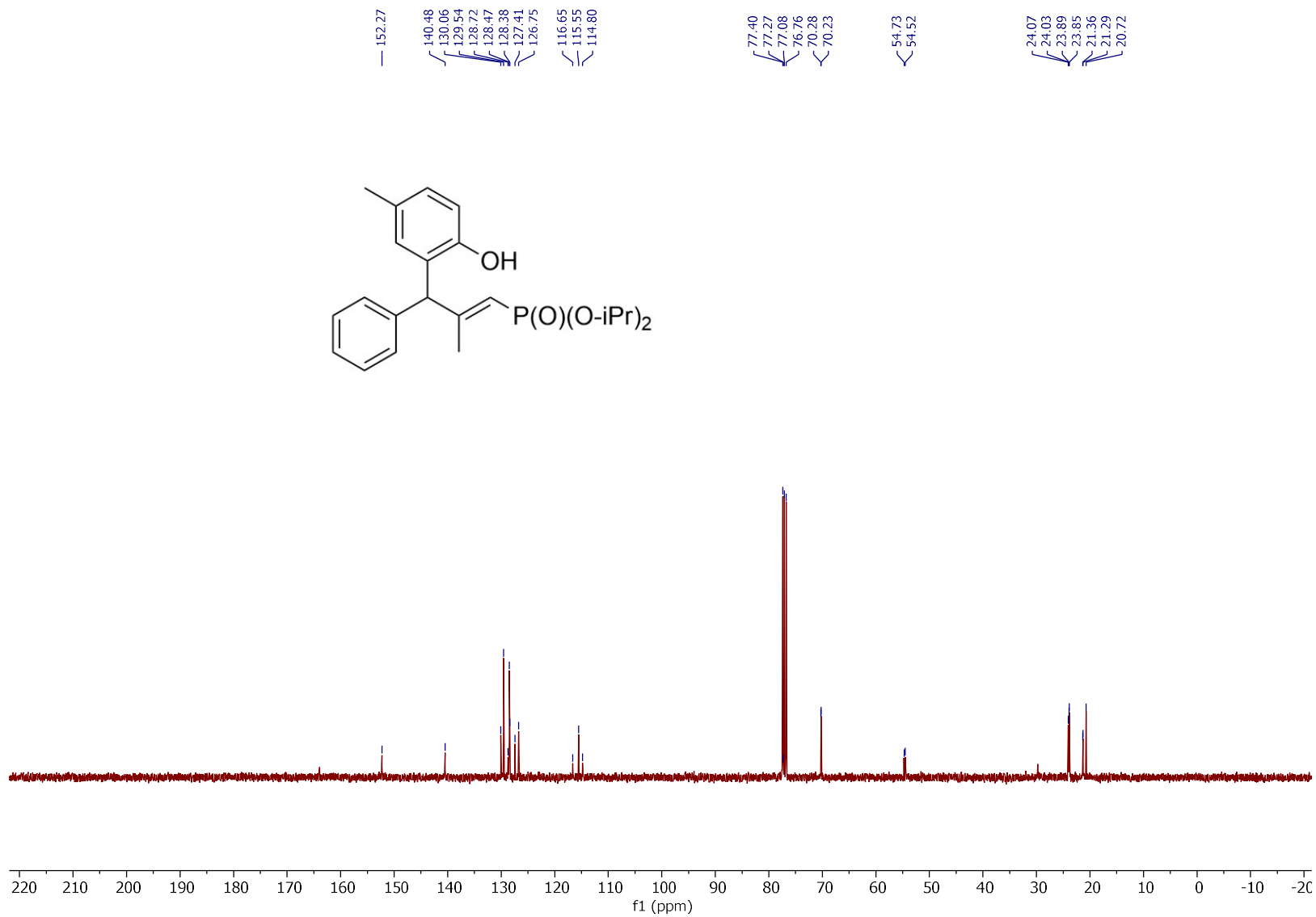


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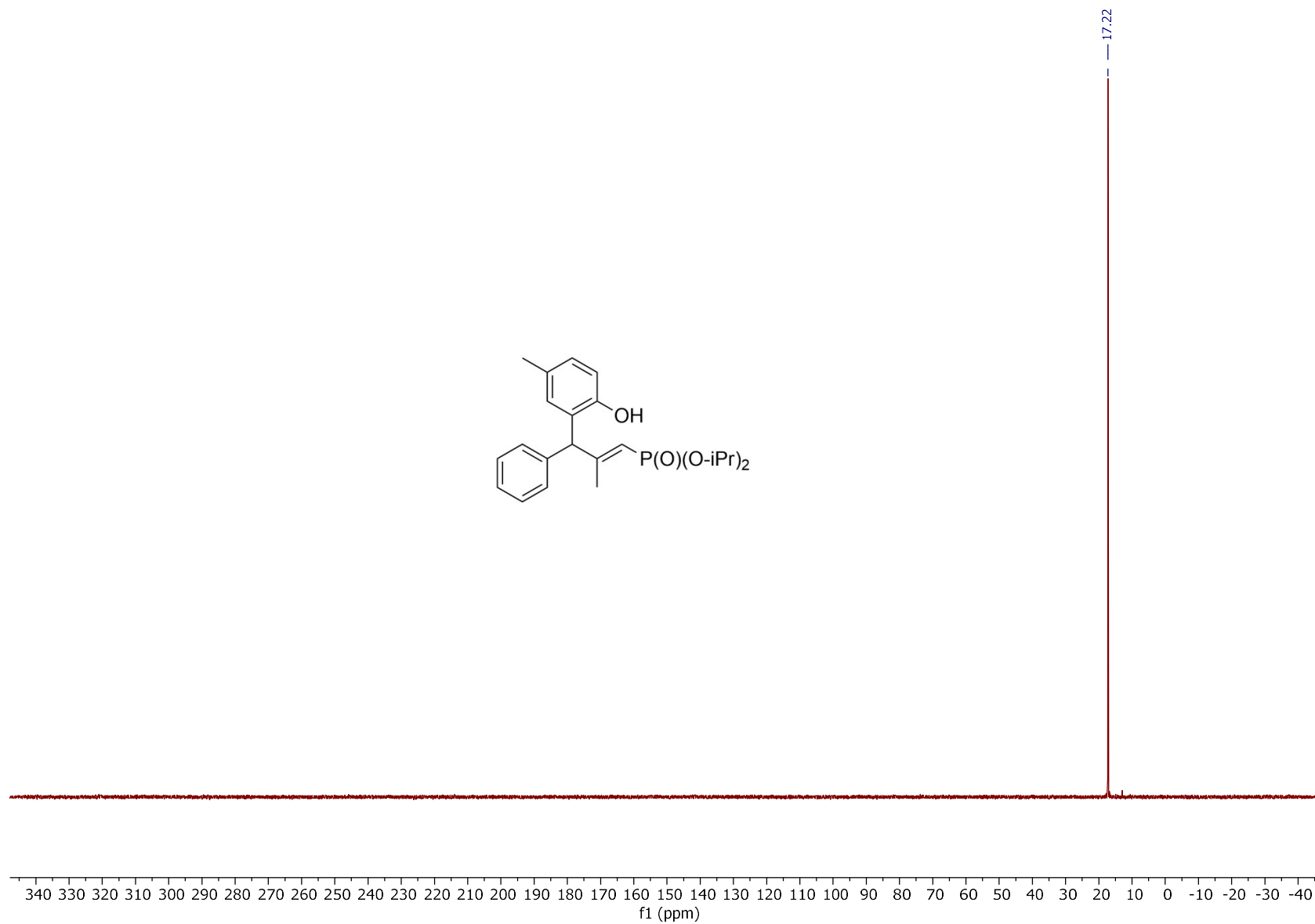


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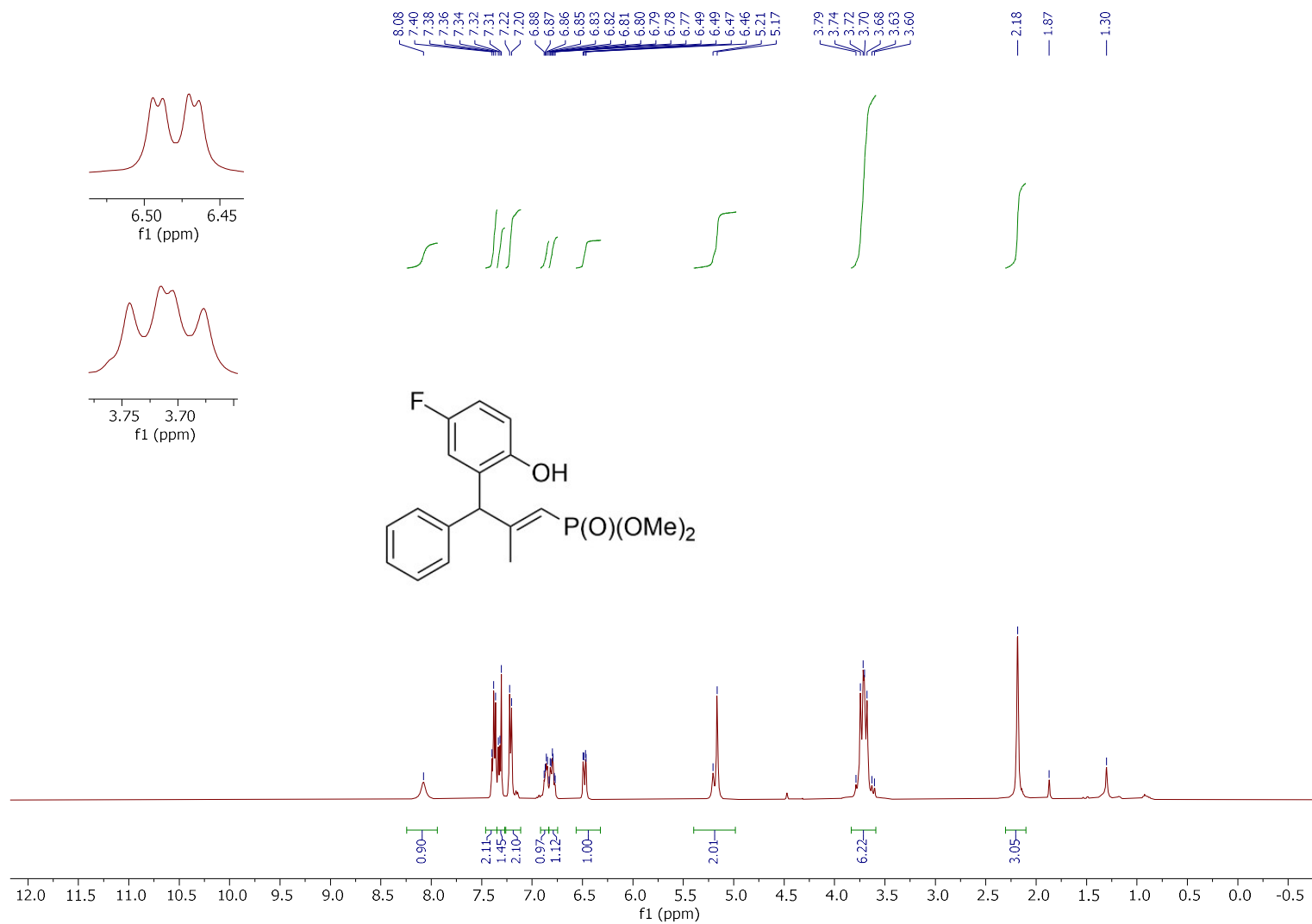


Figure S97: ^1H NMR Spectra of 3x in CDCl_3

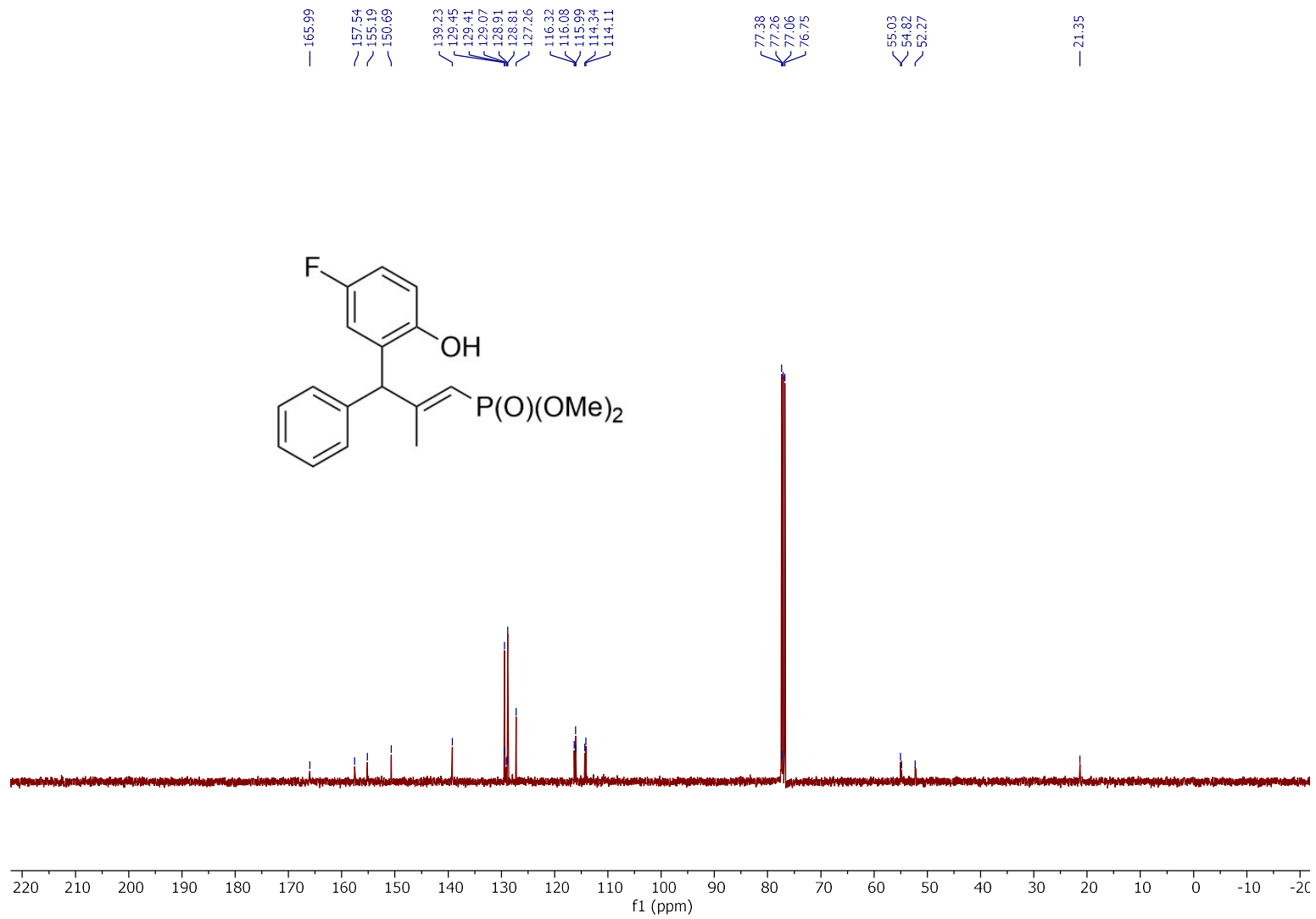


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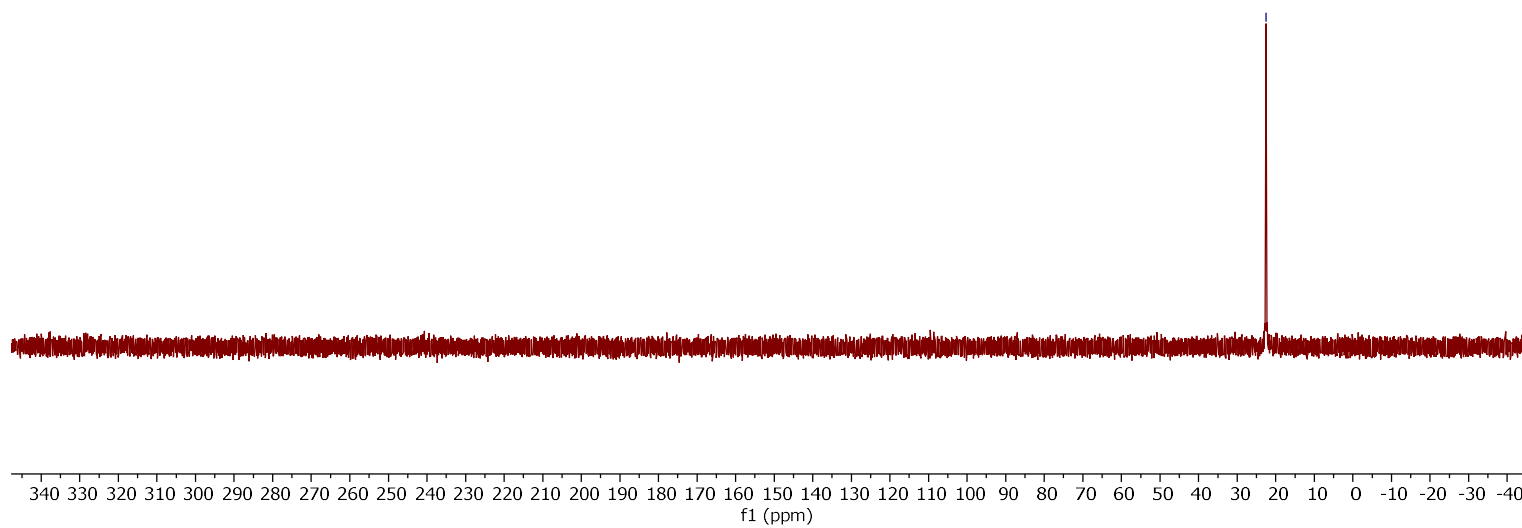
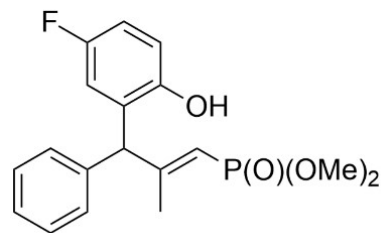


Figure S99: ³¹P{¹H} NMR Spectra of 3x in CDCl₃

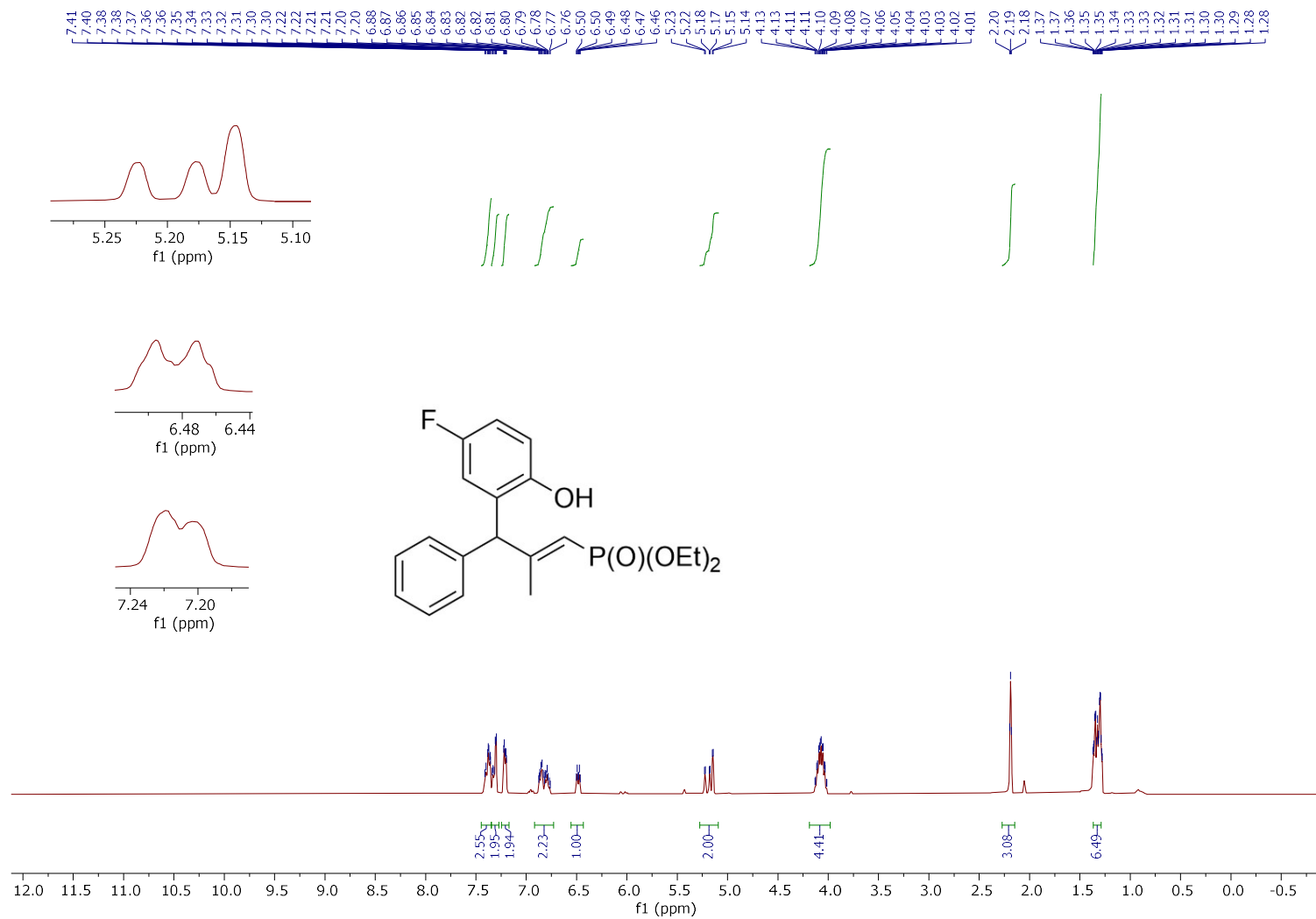


Figure S100: ^1H NMR Spectra of 3y in CDCl_3

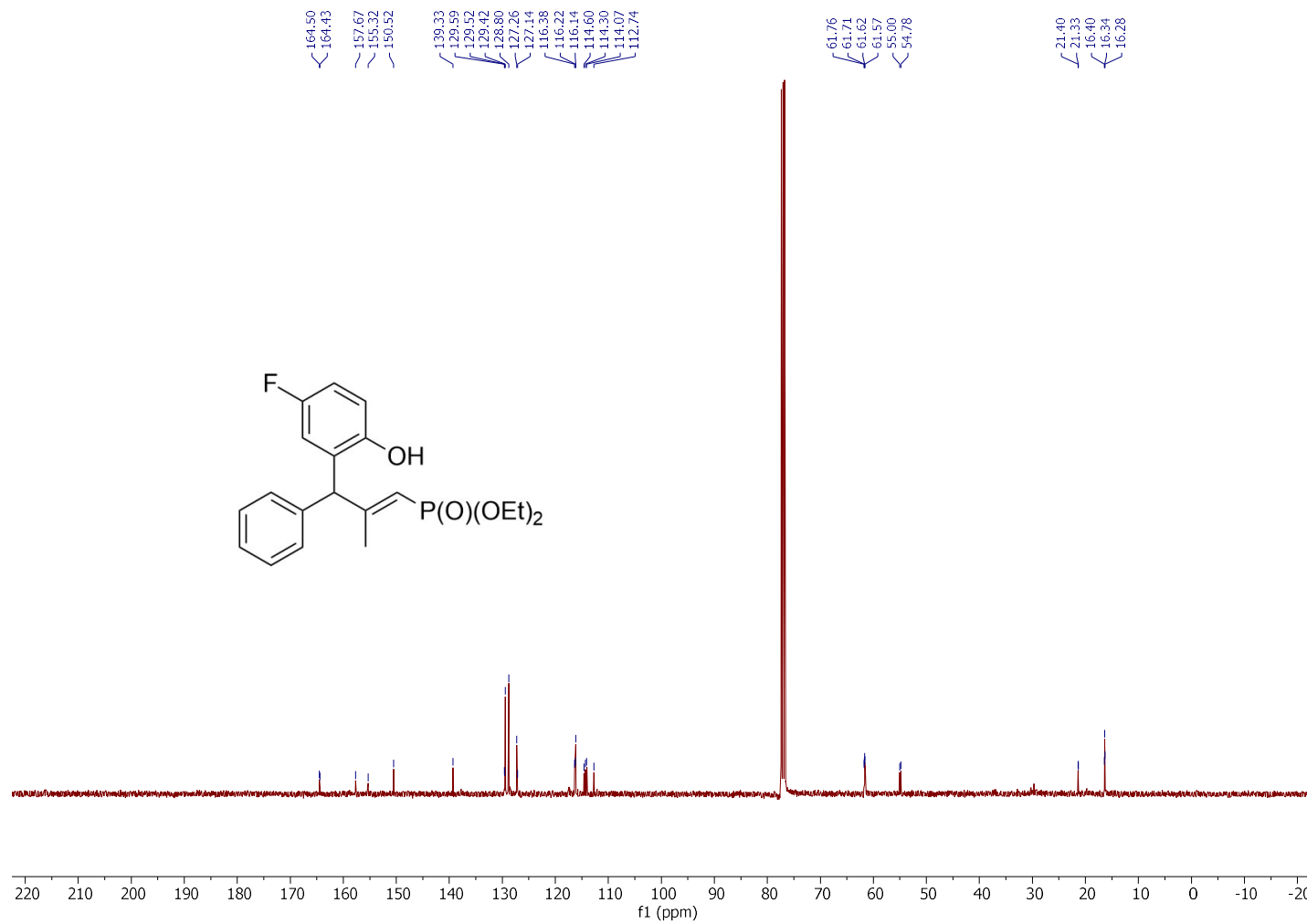


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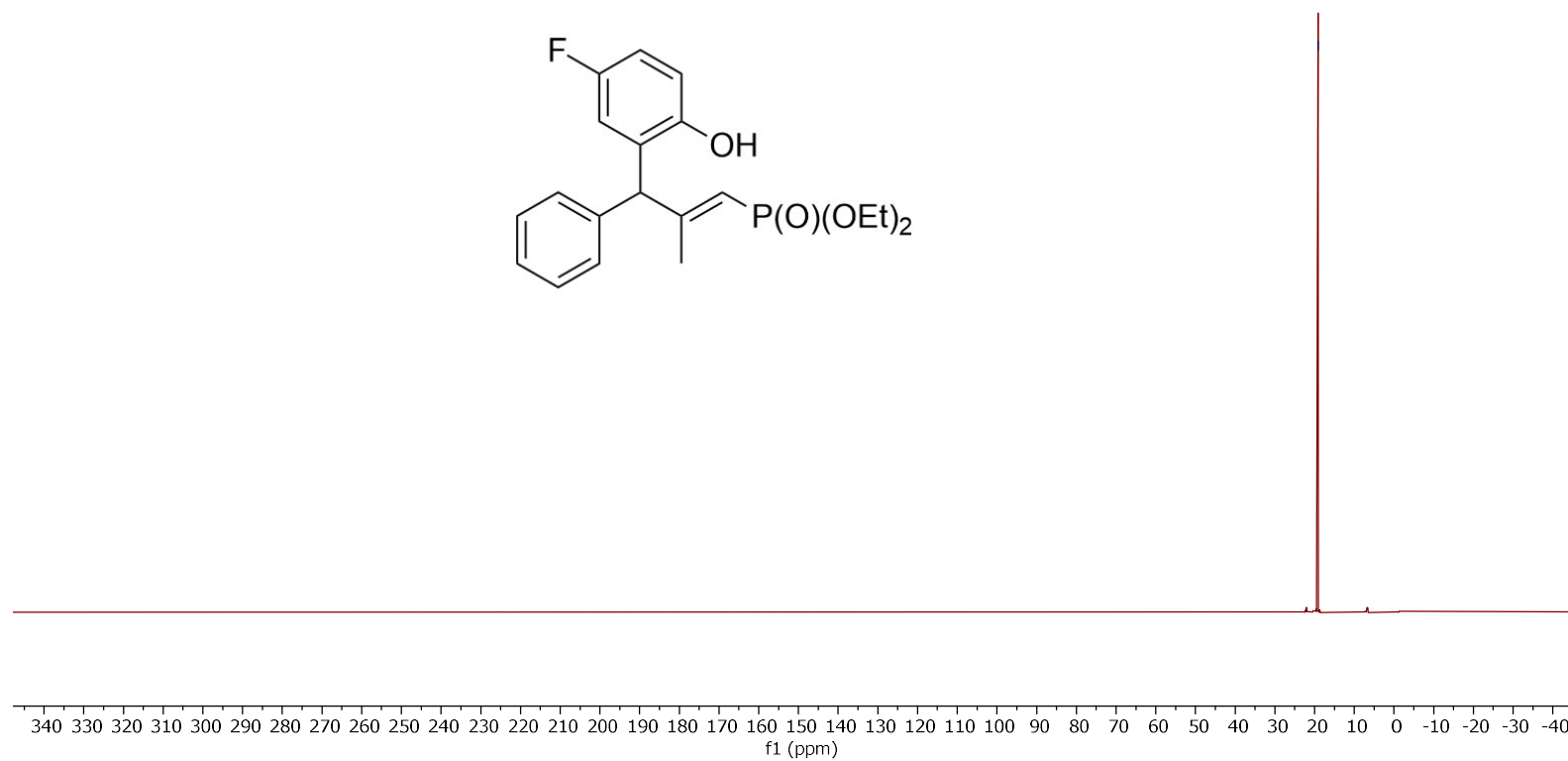


Figure S102: ^{31}P NMR Spectra of 3y in CDCl_3

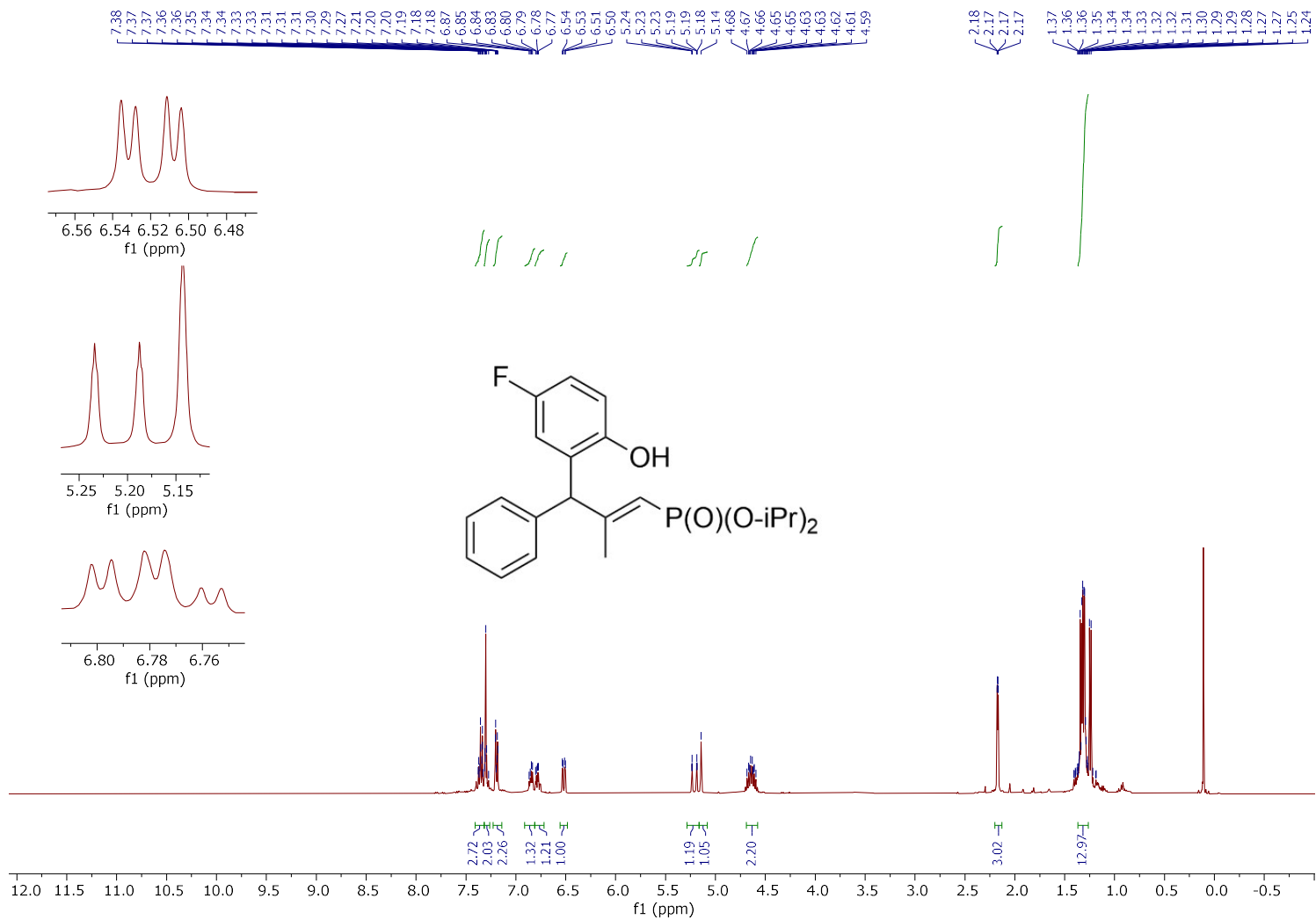


Figure S103: ^1H NMR Spectra of 3z in CDCl_3

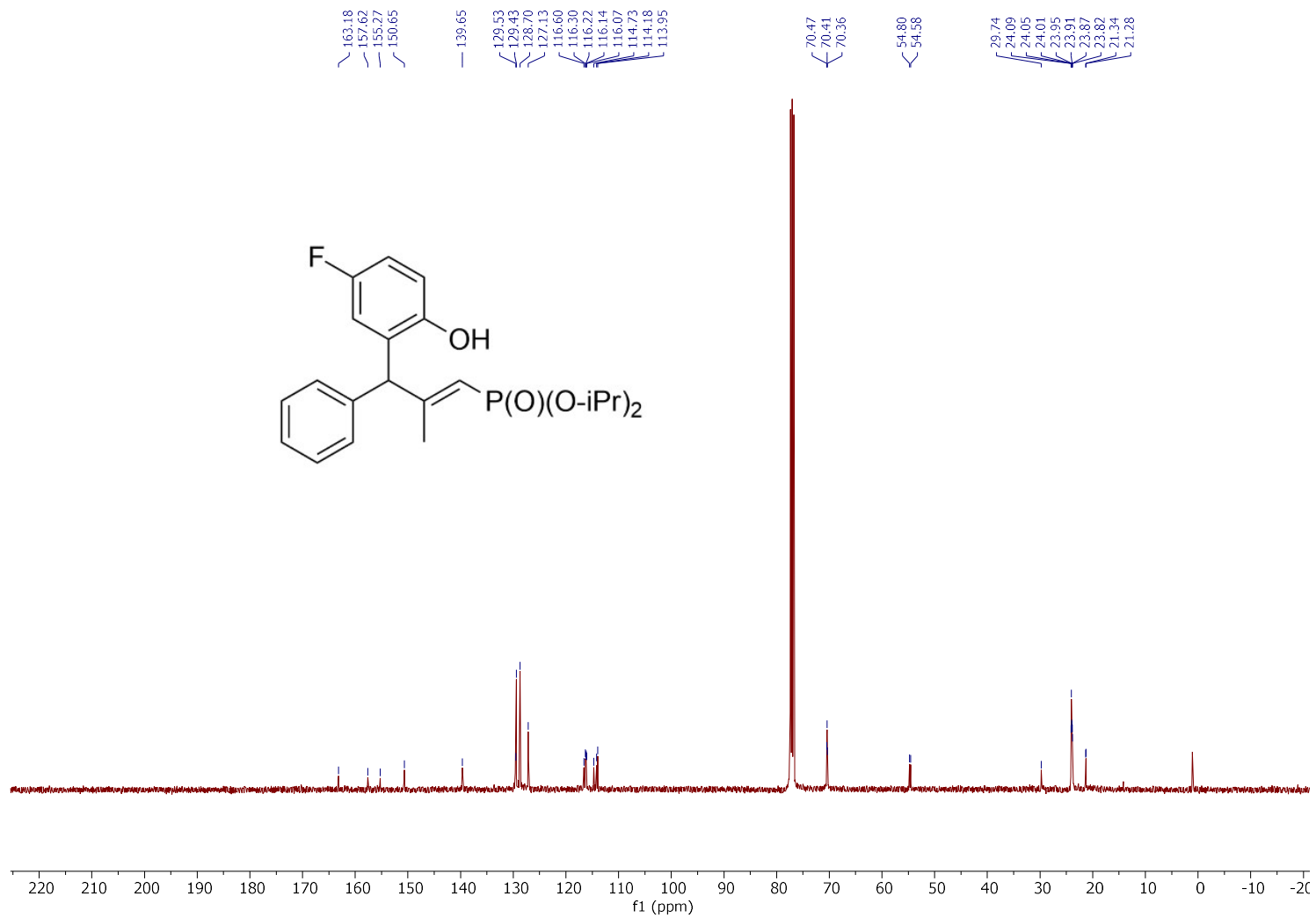


Figure S104: ^{13}C NMR Spectra of 3z in CDCl_3

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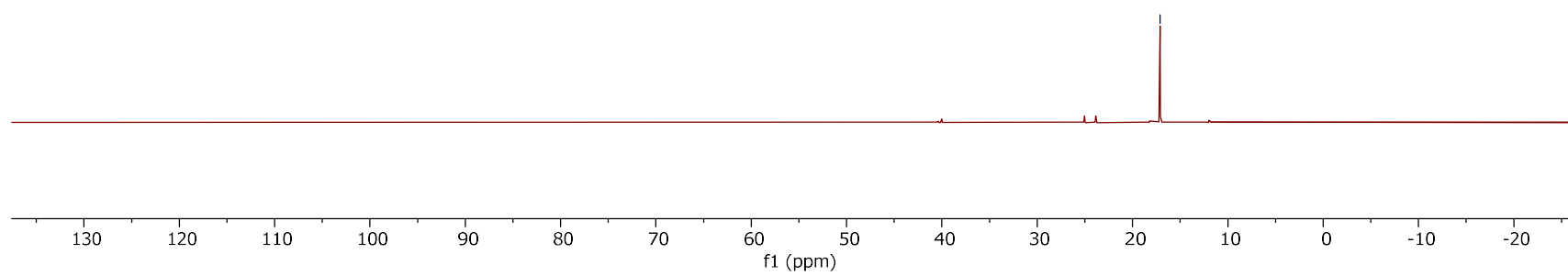
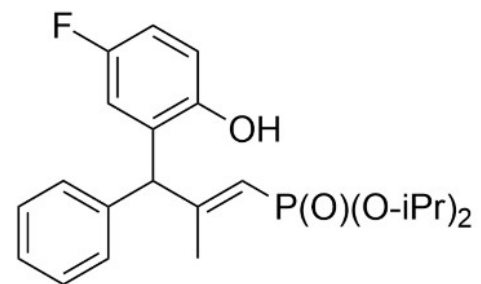


Figure S105: ^{31}P NMR Spectra of 3z in CDCl_3

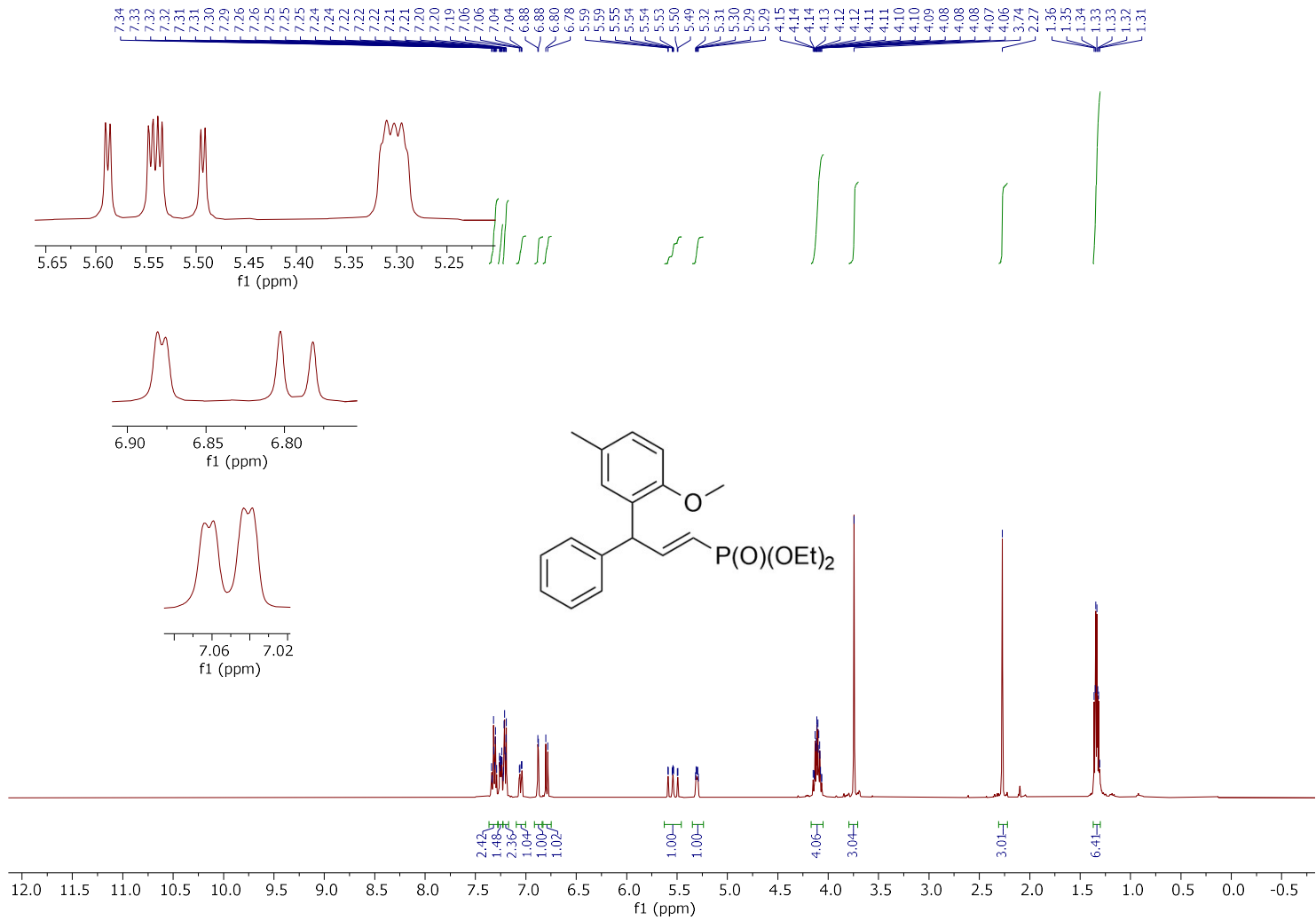


Figure S106: ^1H NMR Spectra of 5a in CDCl_3

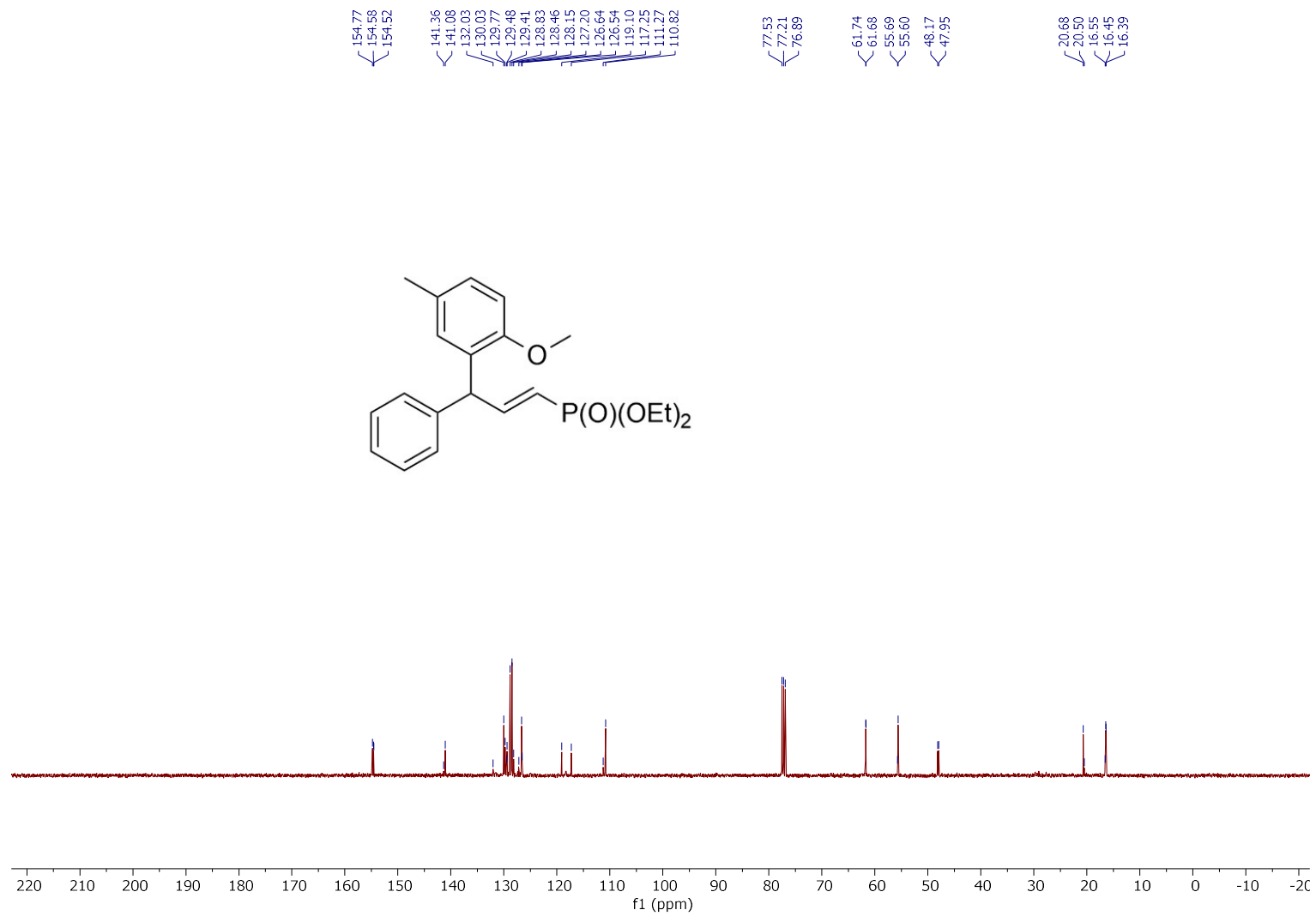


Figure S107: $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR Spectra of 5a in CDCl_3

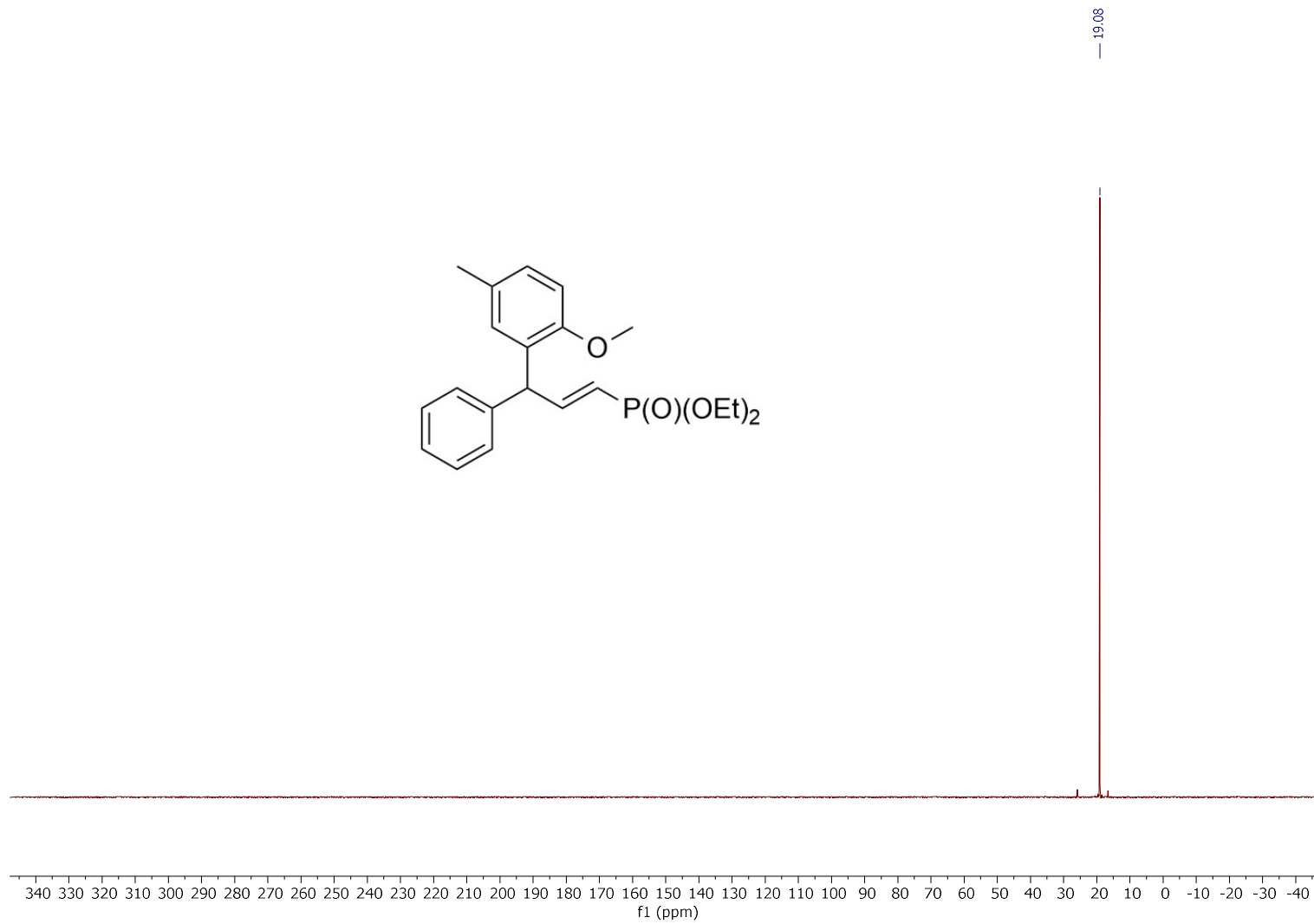


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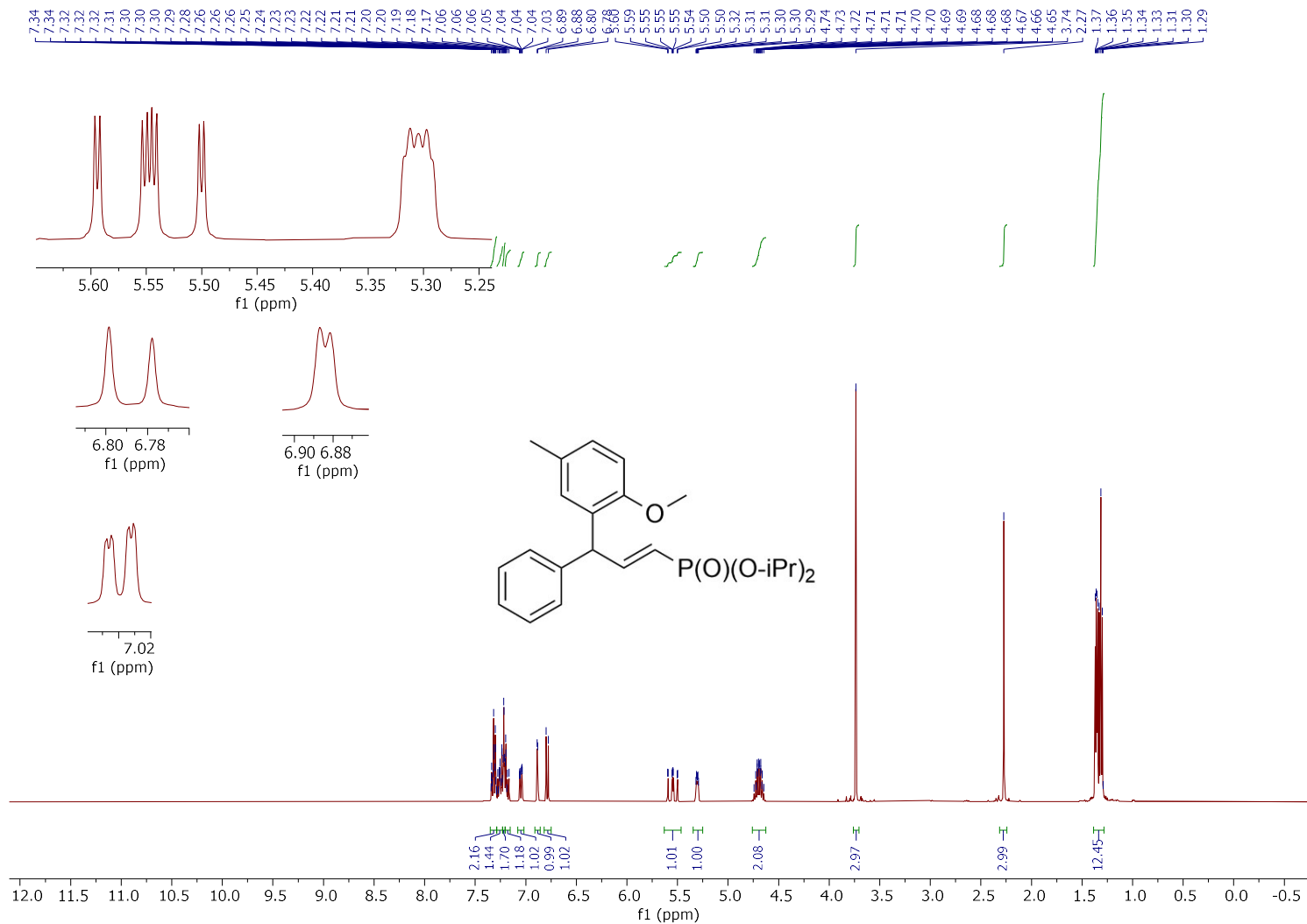


Figure S109: ^1H NMR Spectra of 5b in CDCl_3

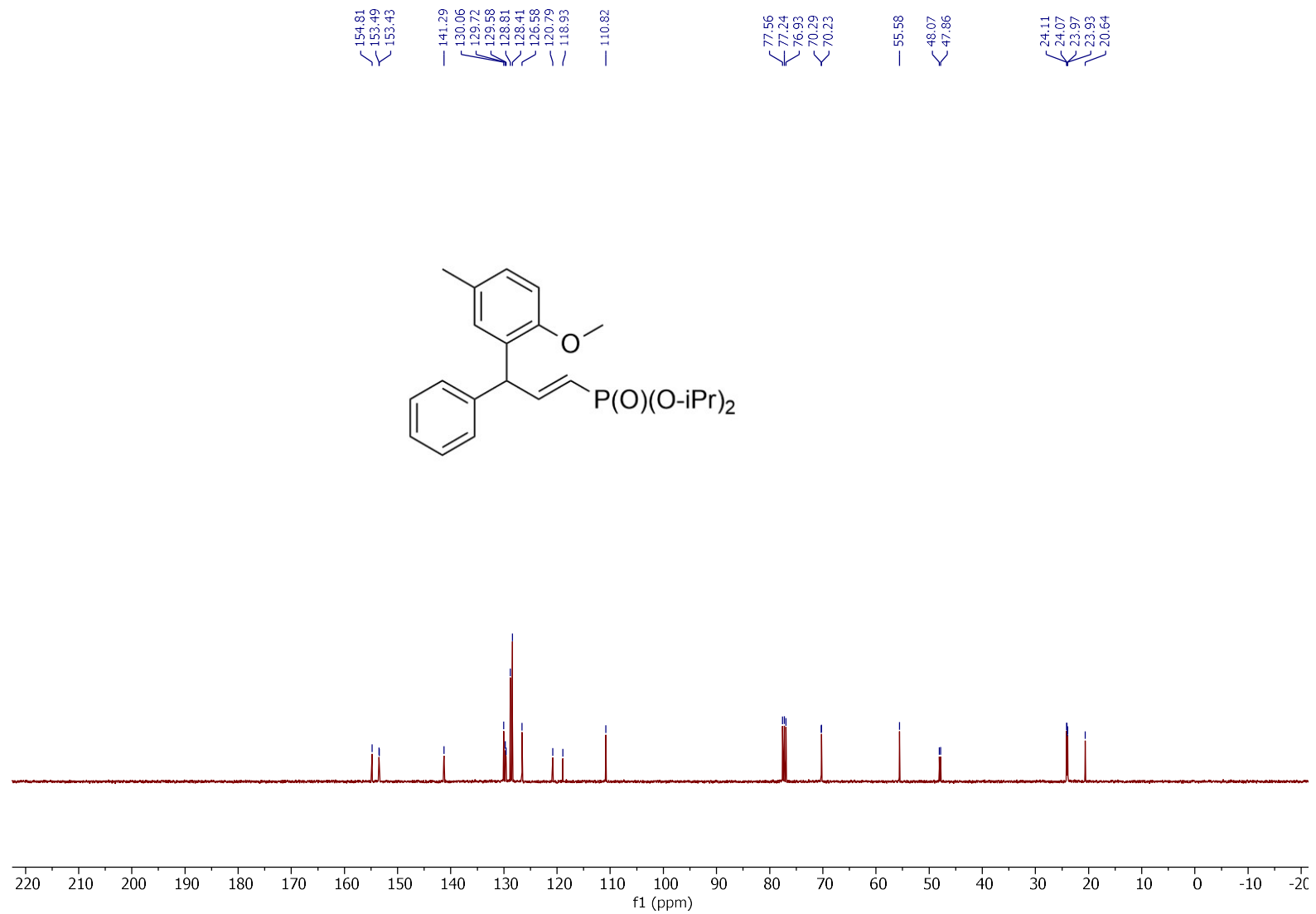


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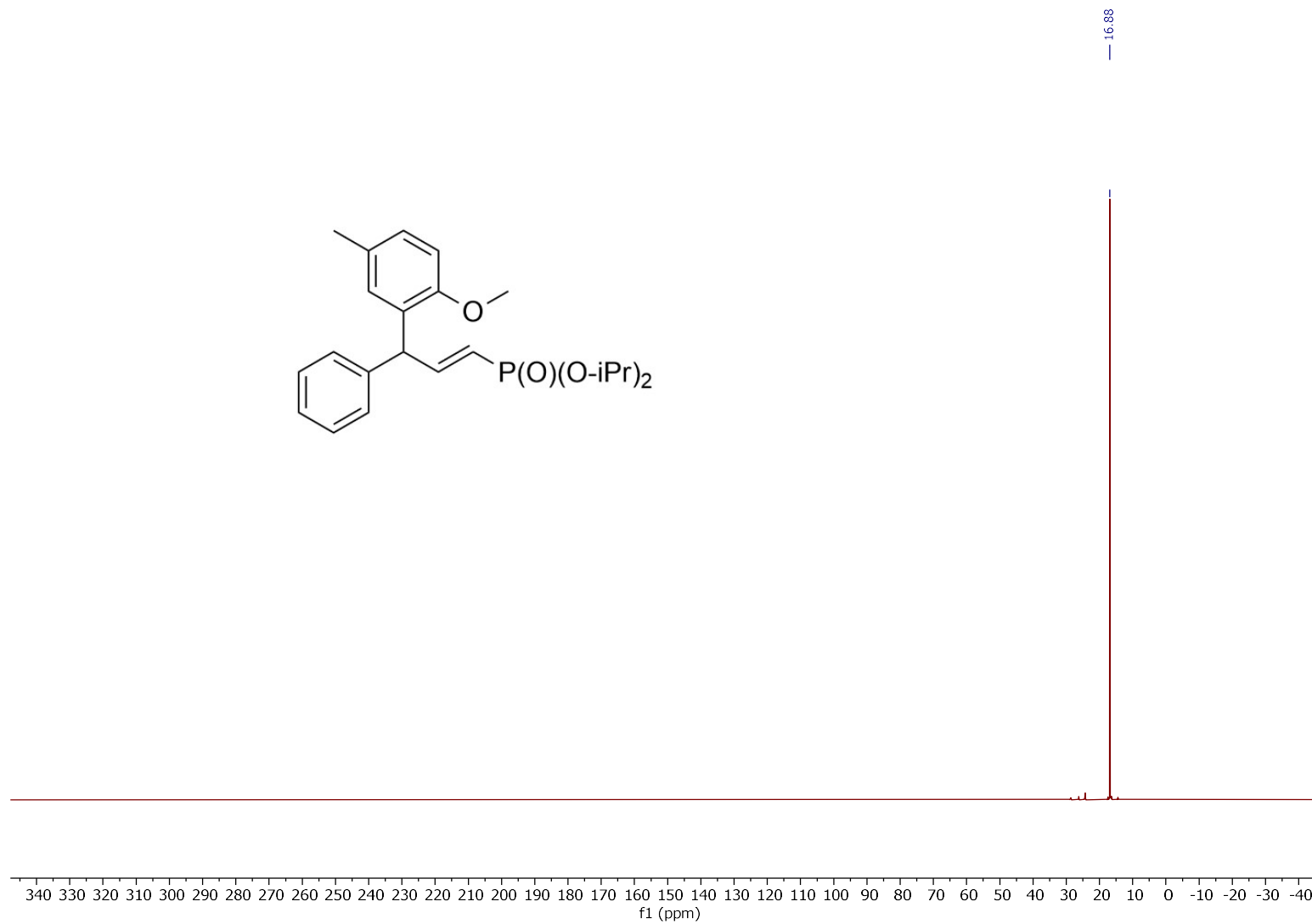


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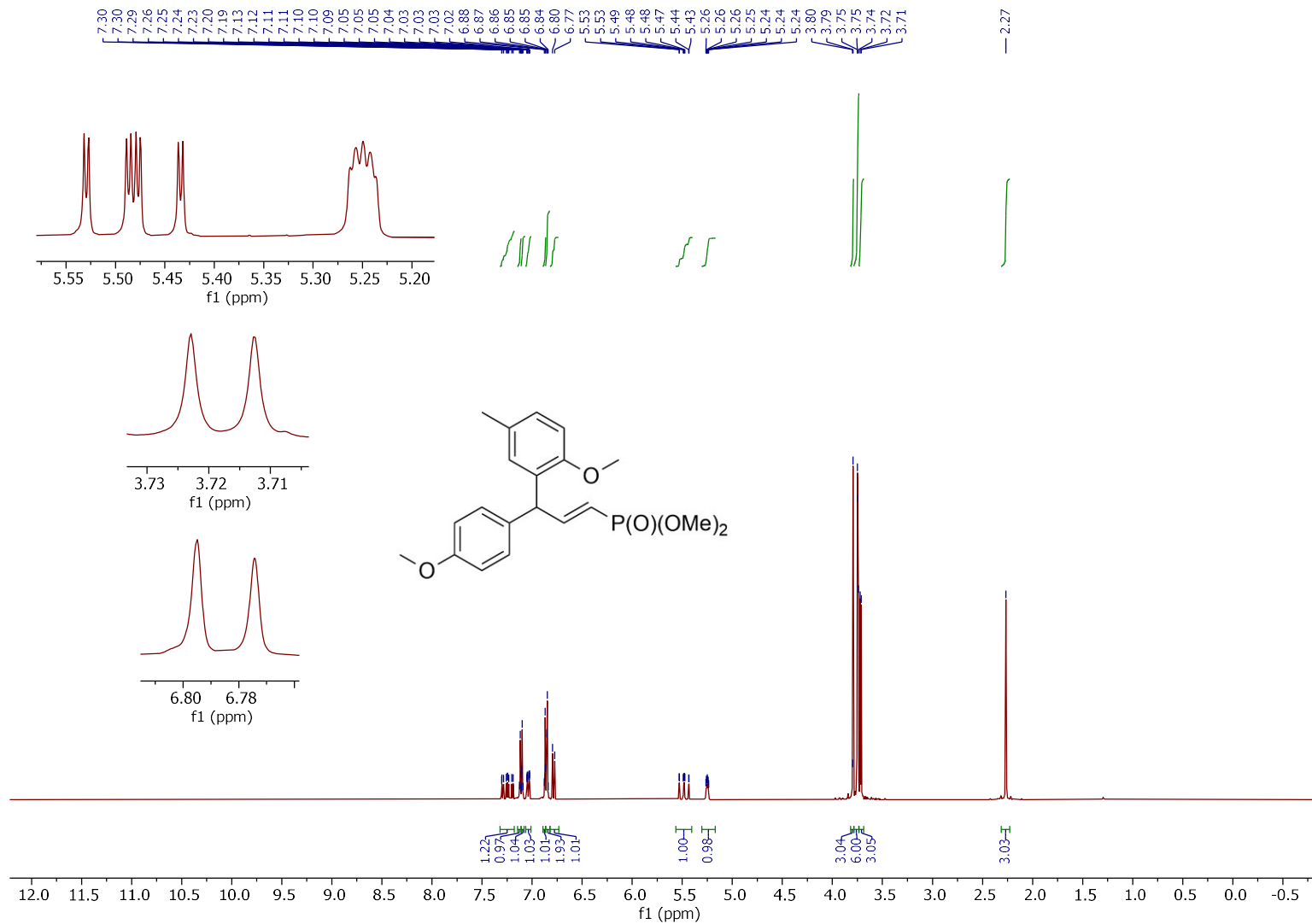


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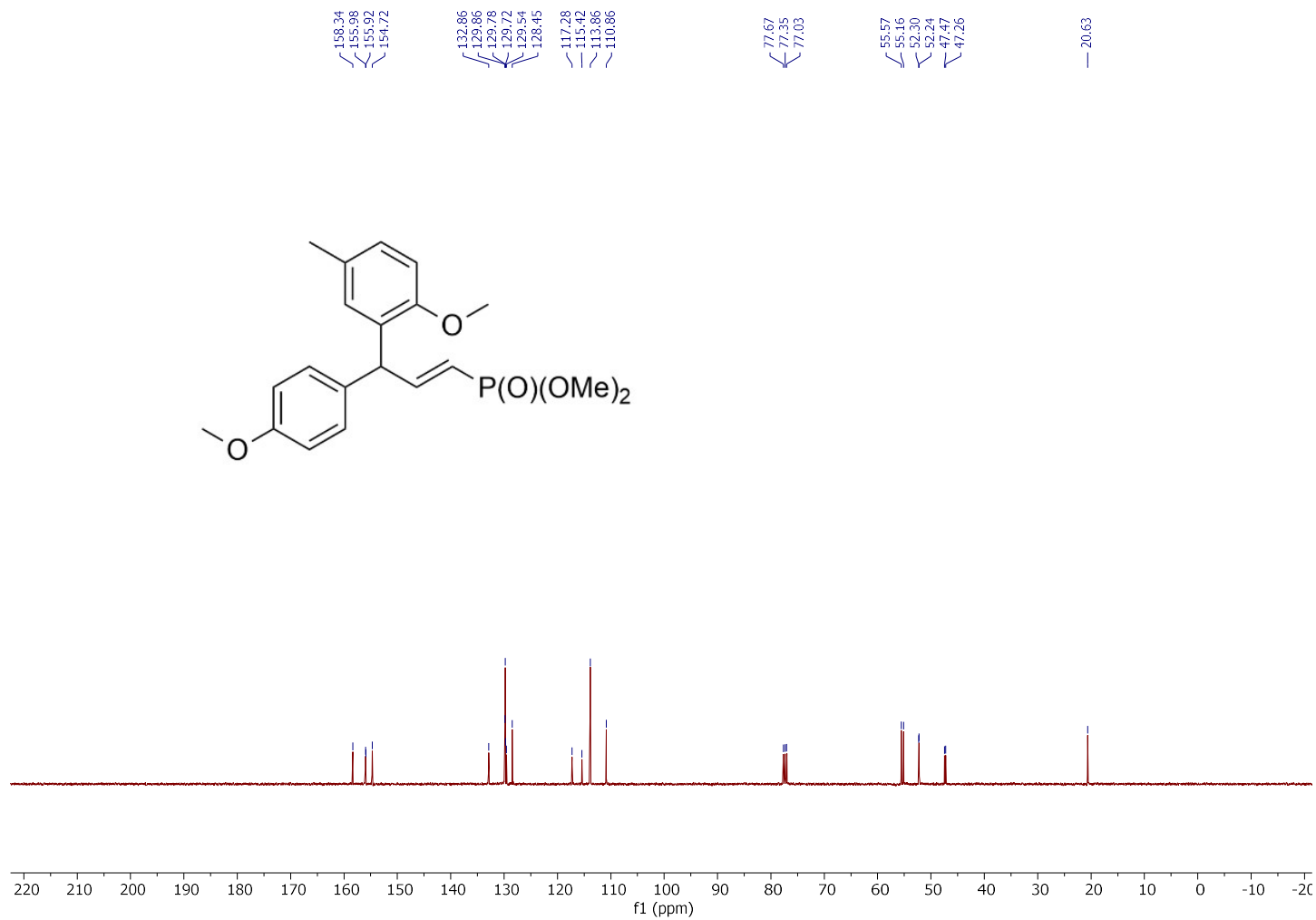


Figure S113: $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR Spectra of 5c in CDCl_3

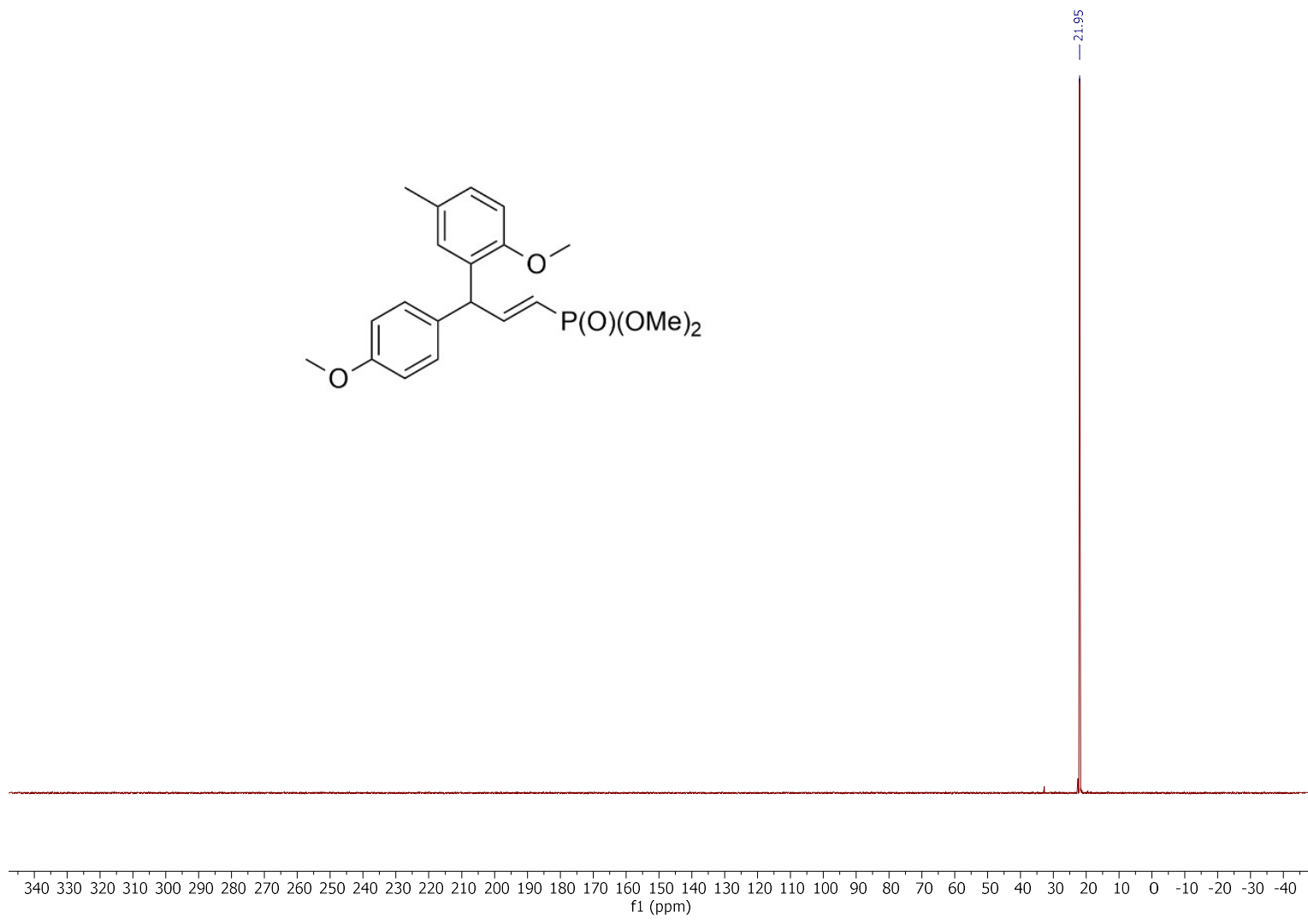


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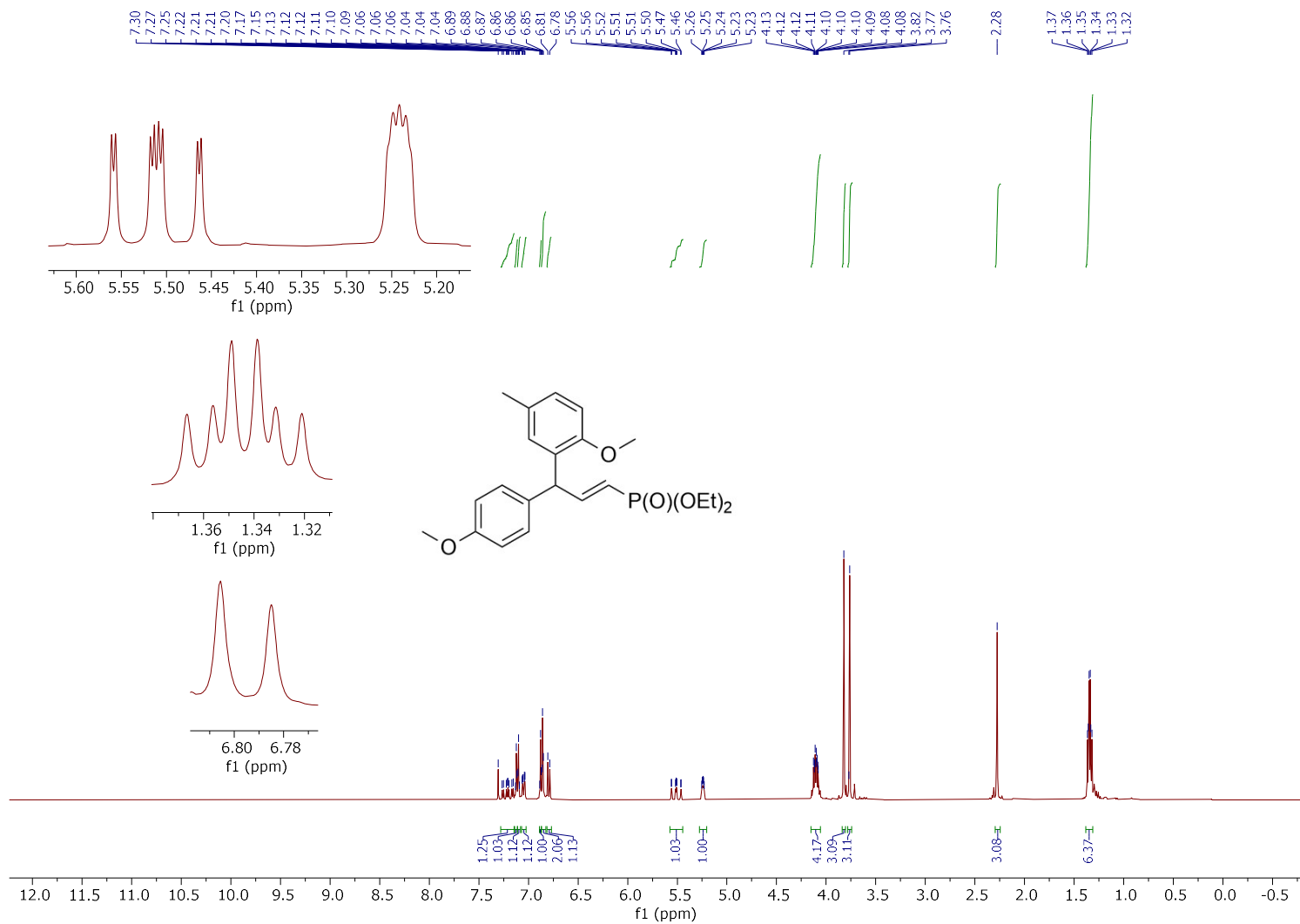


Figure S115: ^1H NMR Spectra of 5d in CDCl_3

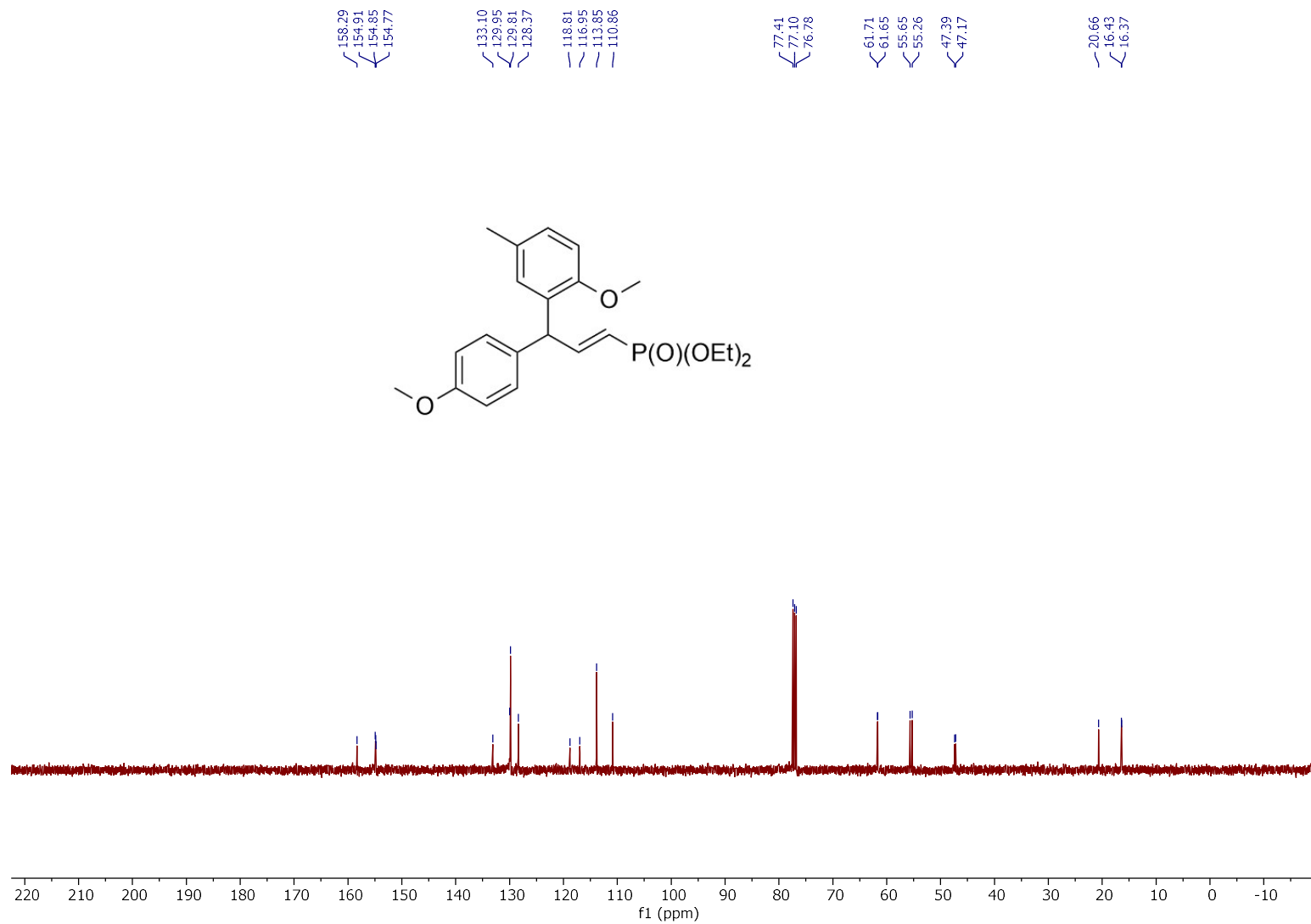


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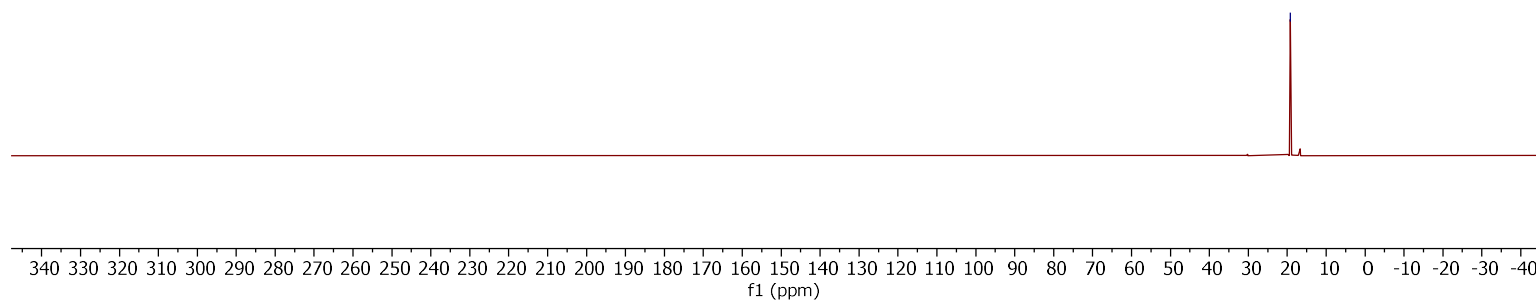
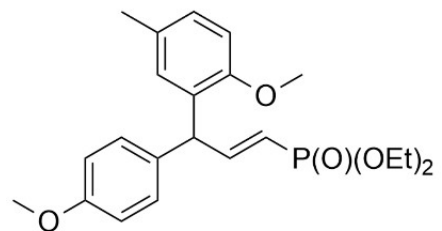


Figure S117: ³¹P{¹H} NMR Spectra of 5d in CDCl₃

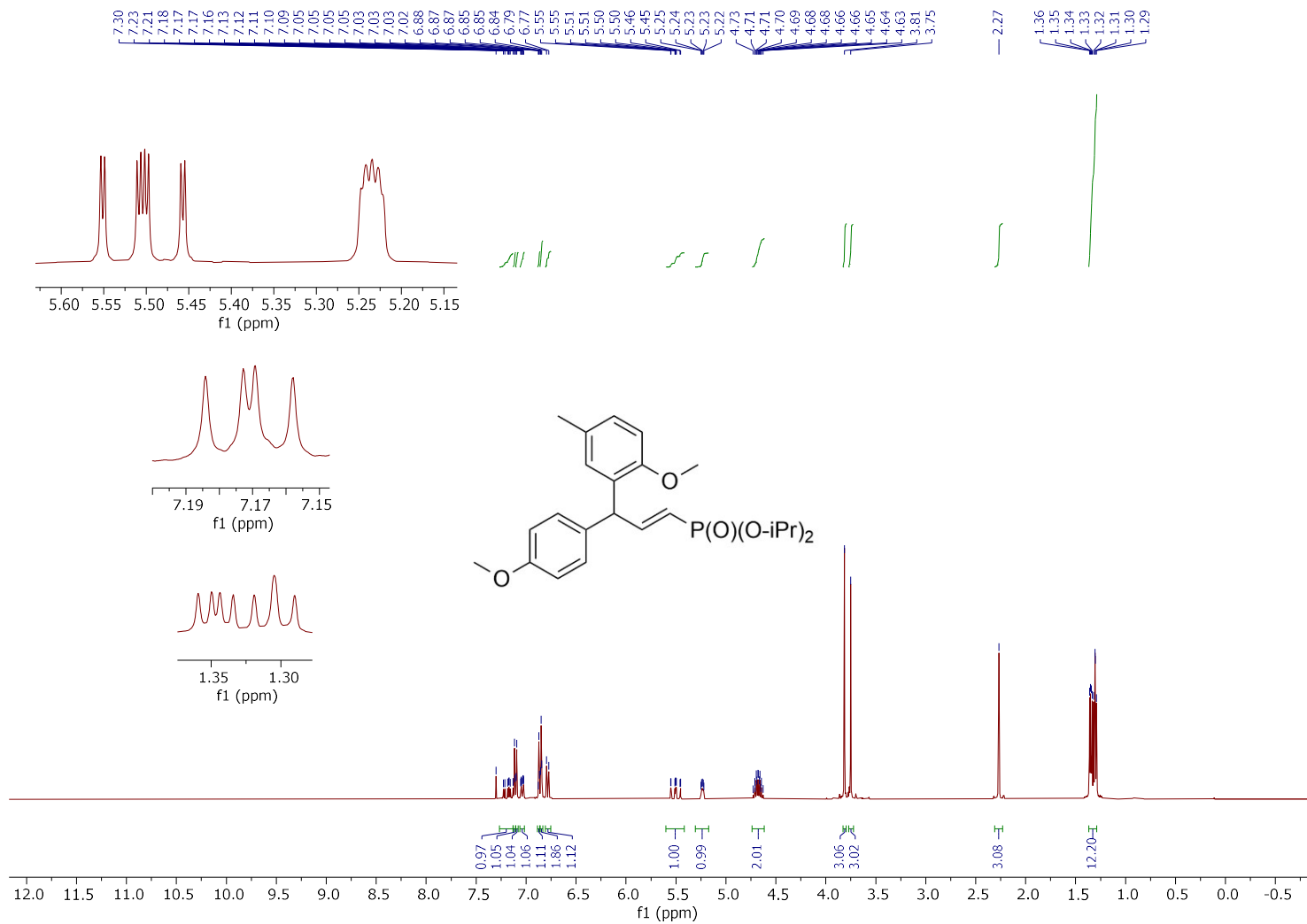


Figure S118: ^1H NMR Spectra of 5e in CDCl_3

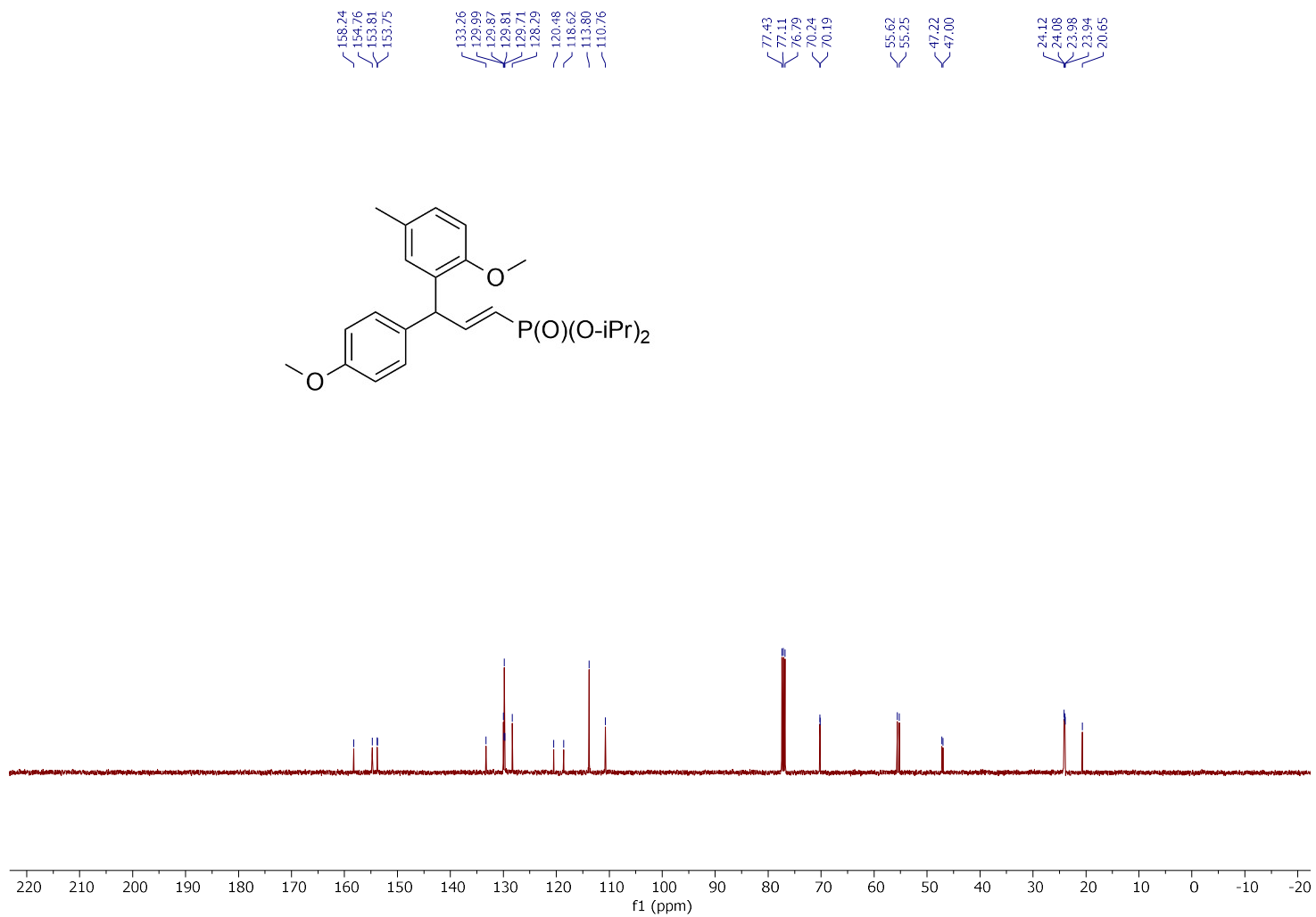


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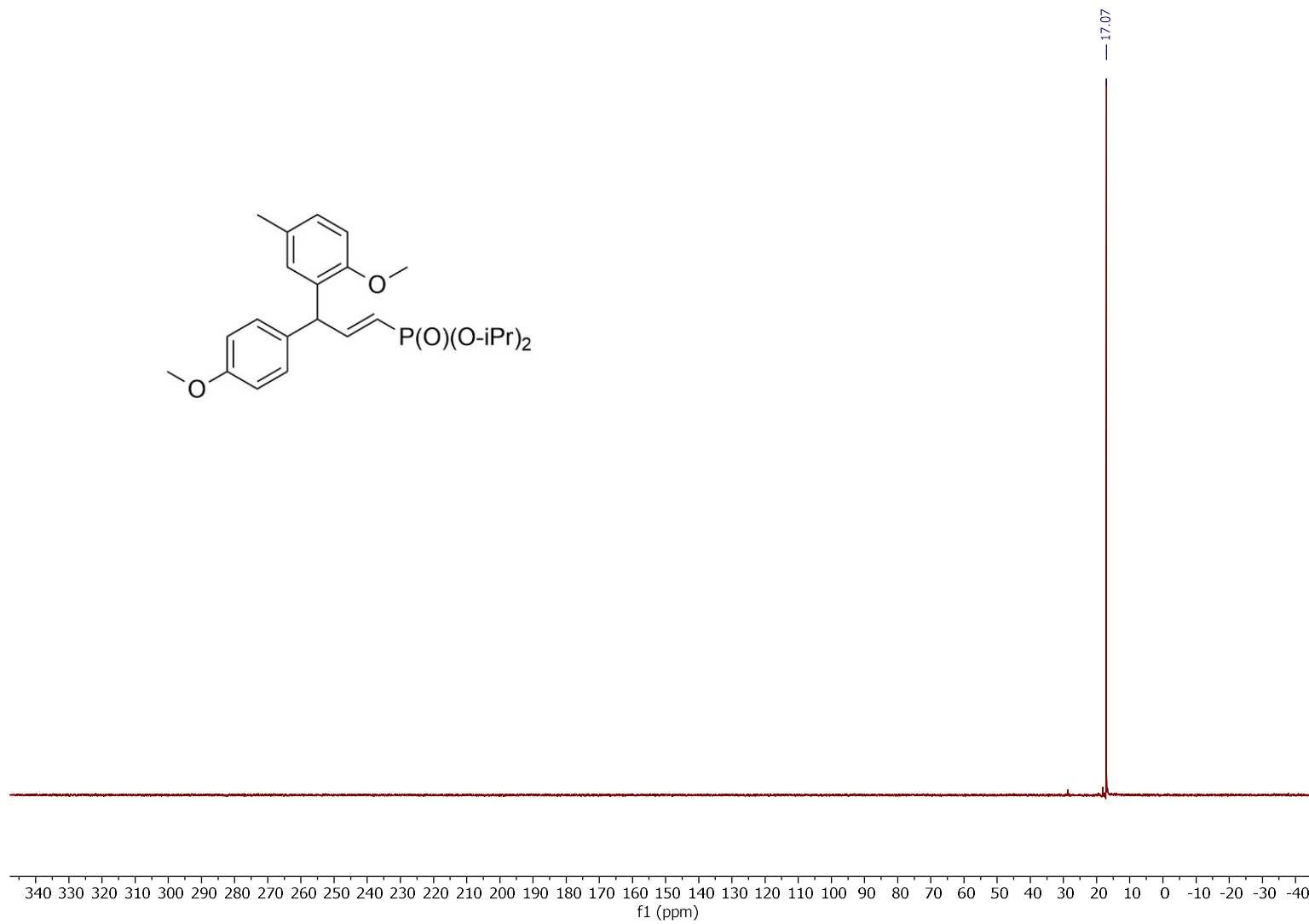


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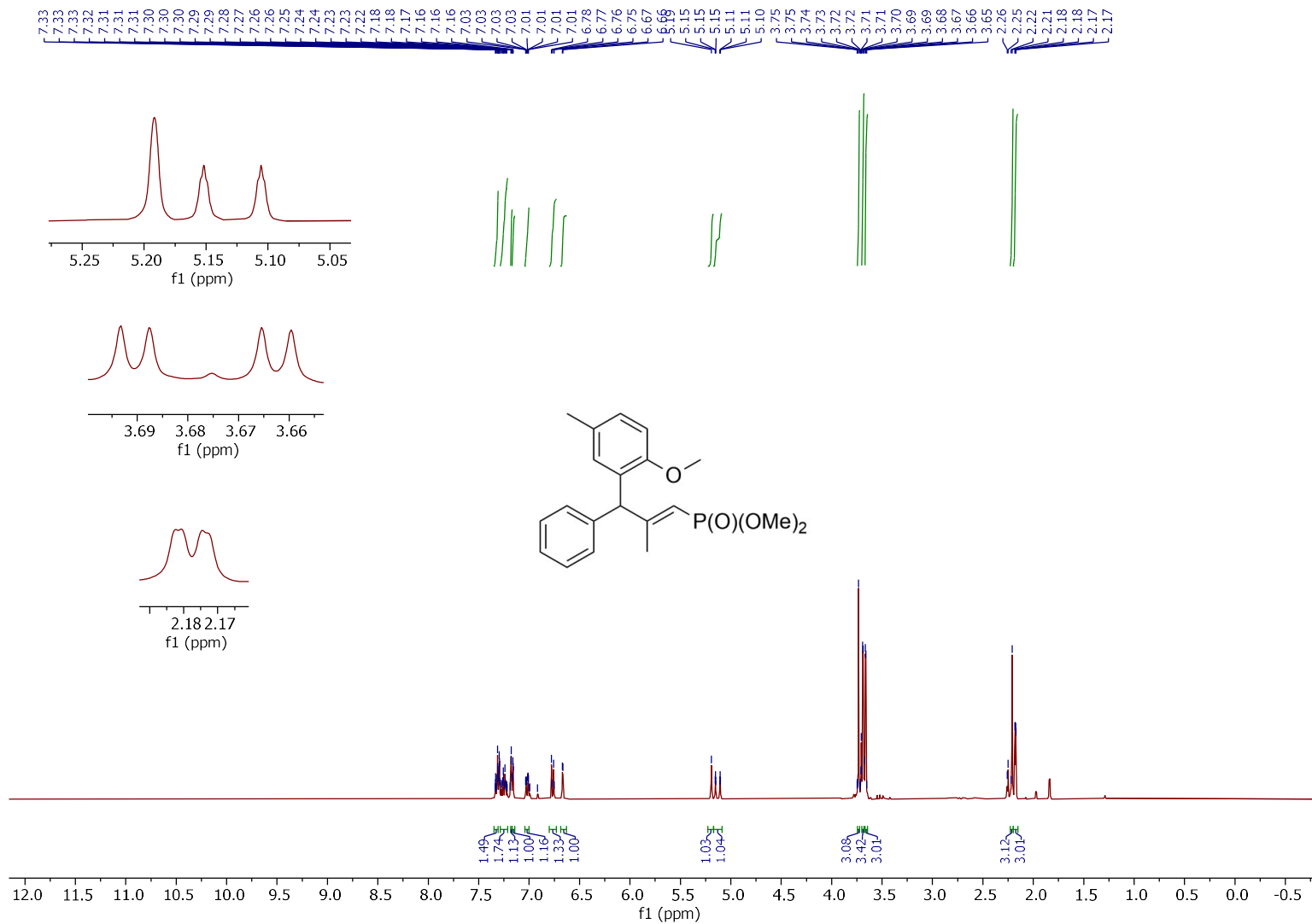


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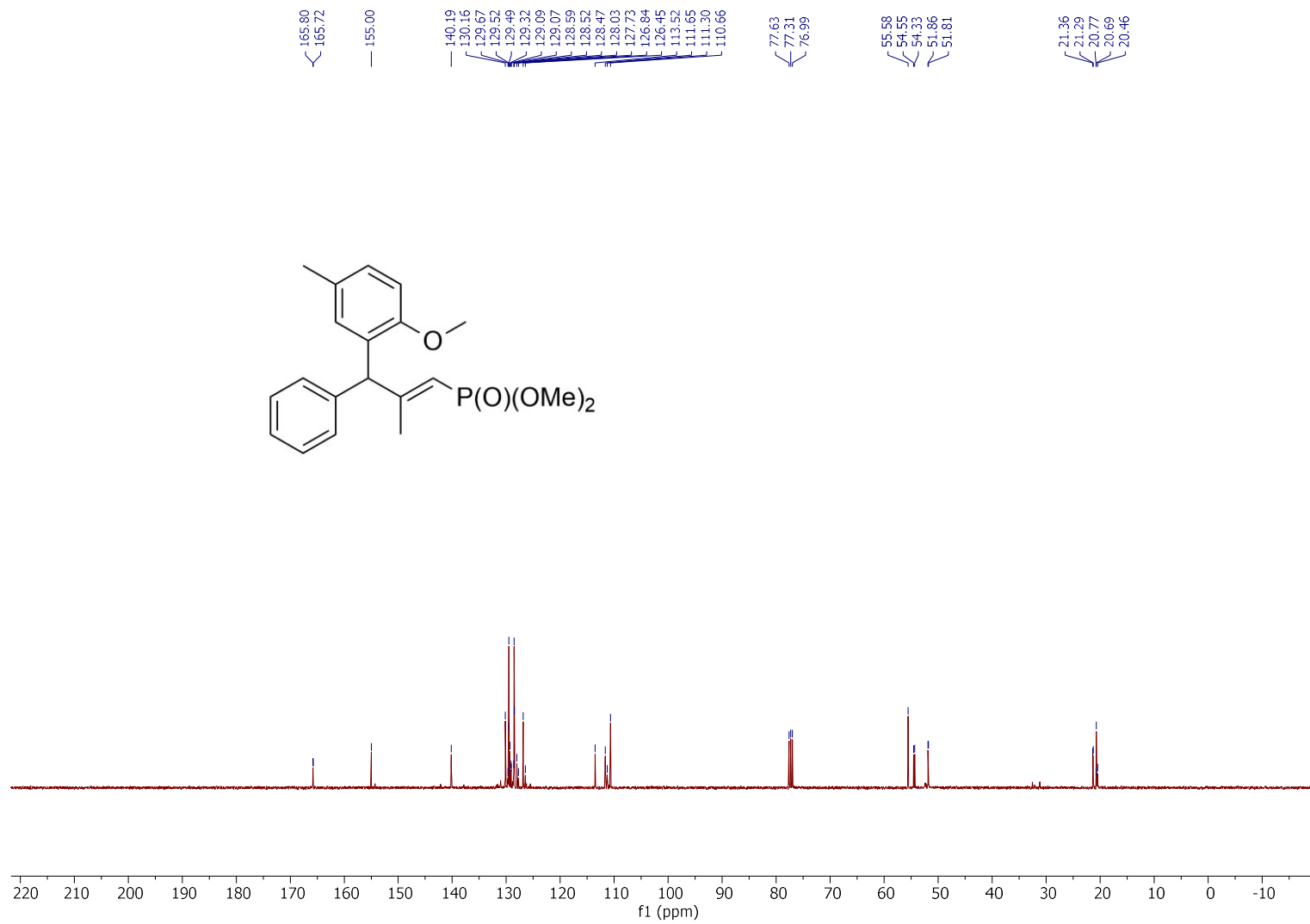


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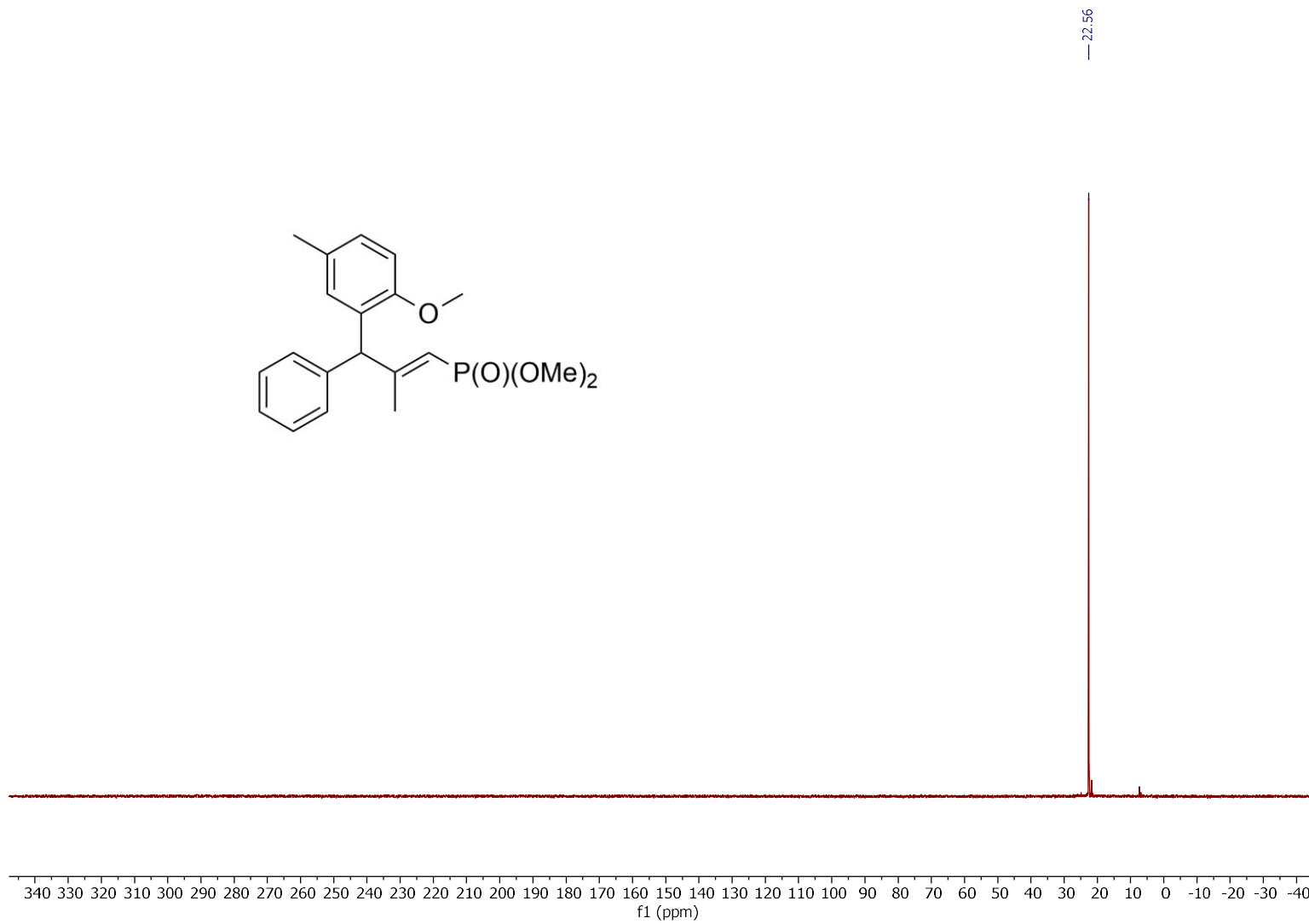


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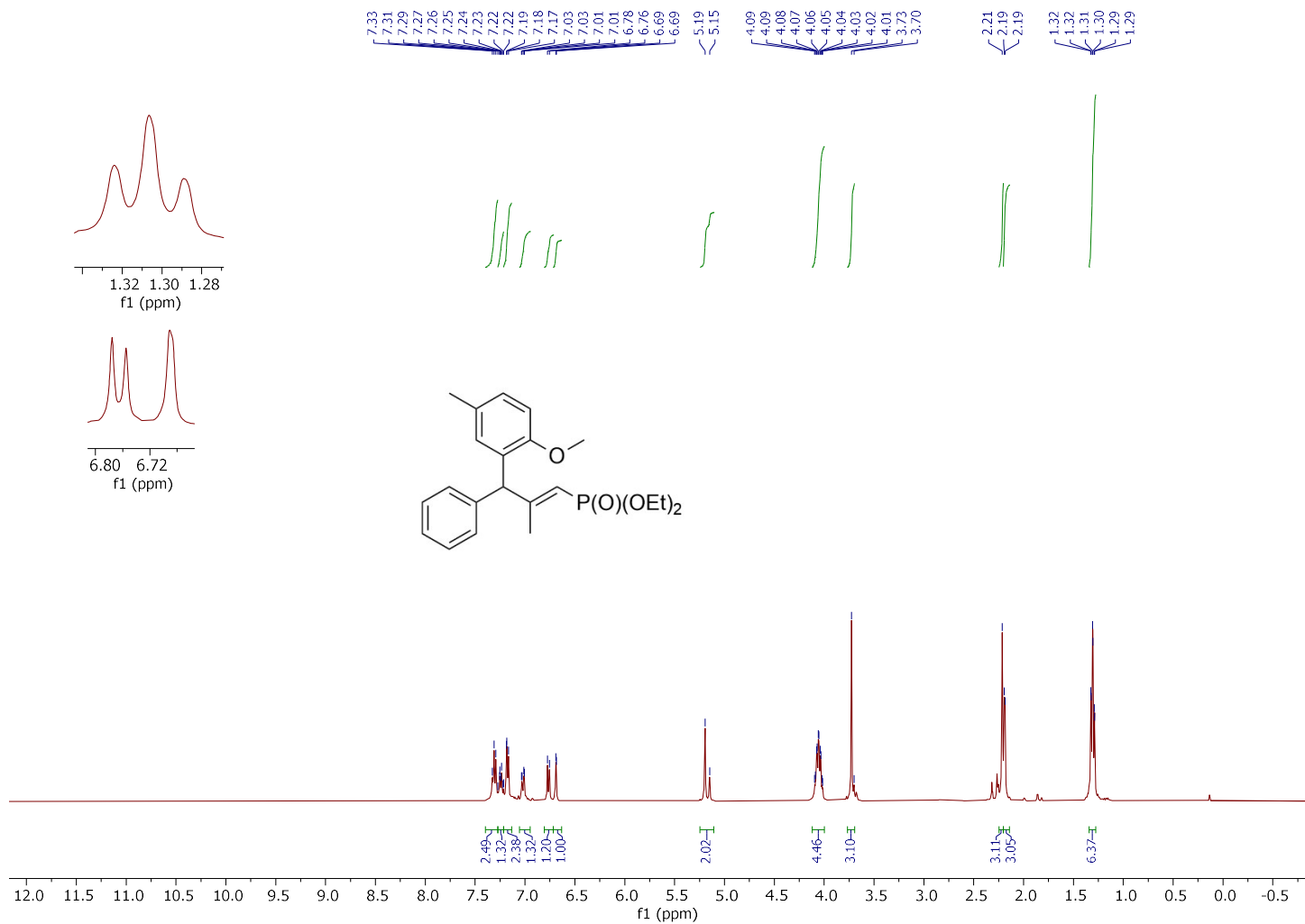


Figure S124: ^1H NMR Spectra of 5g in CDCl_3

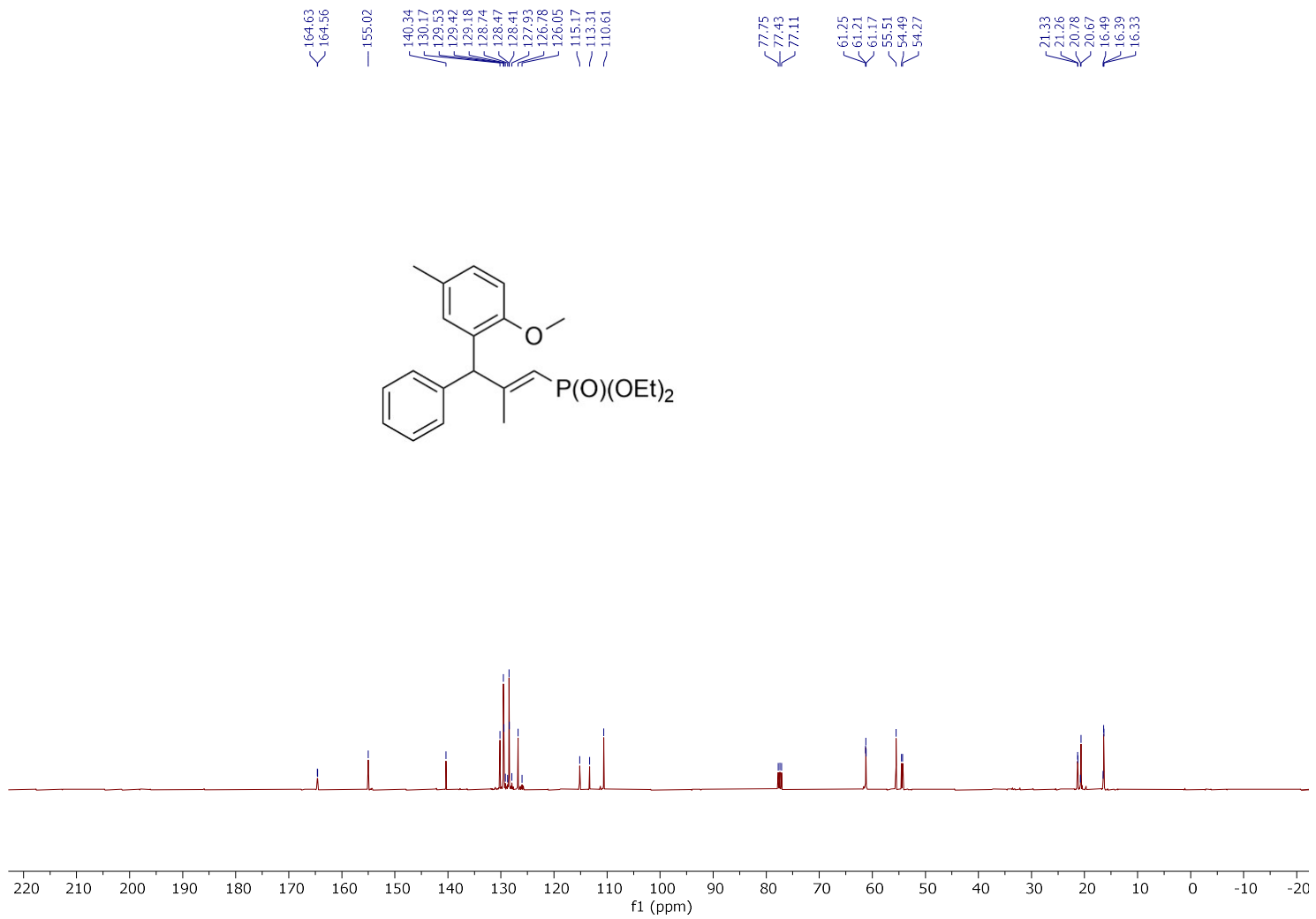


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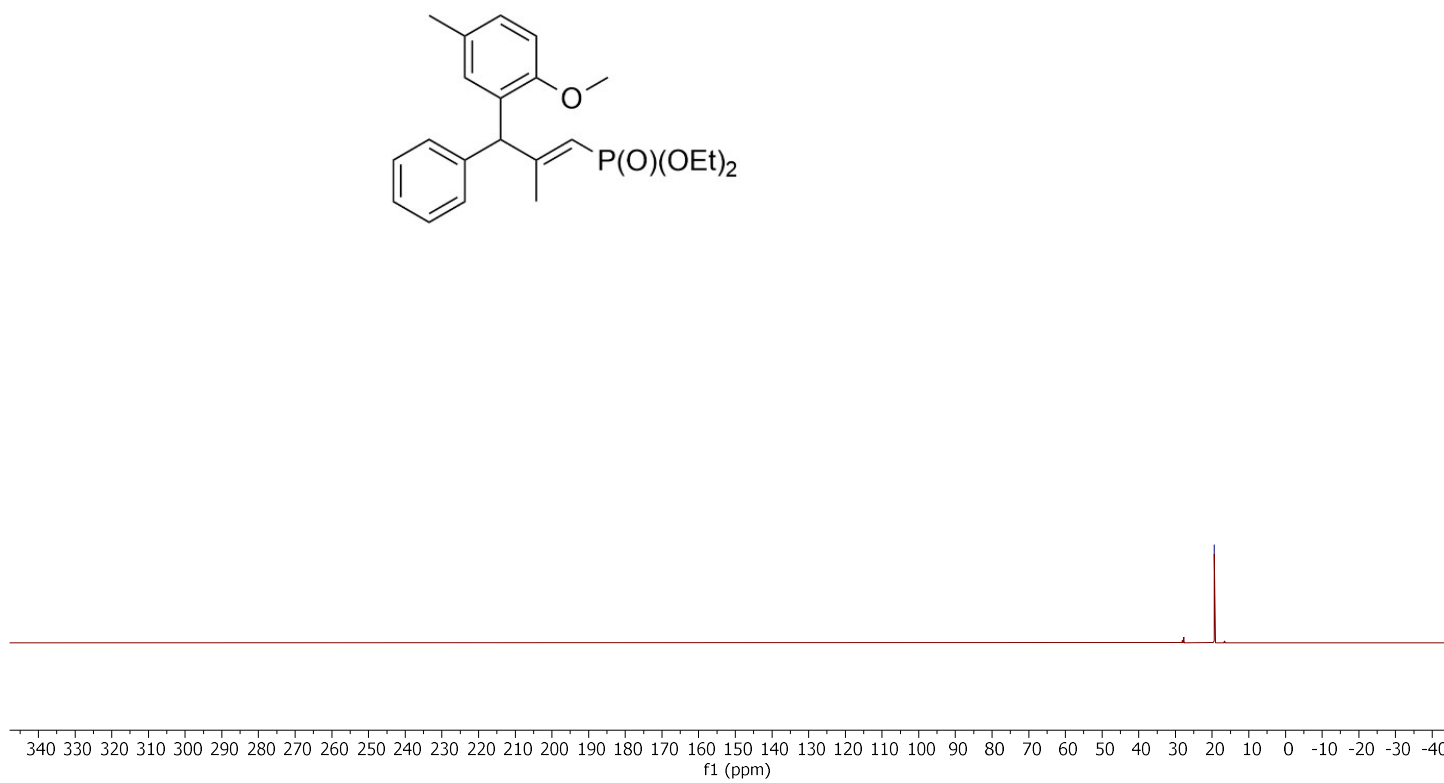


Figure S126: $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR Spectra of 5g in CDCl_3

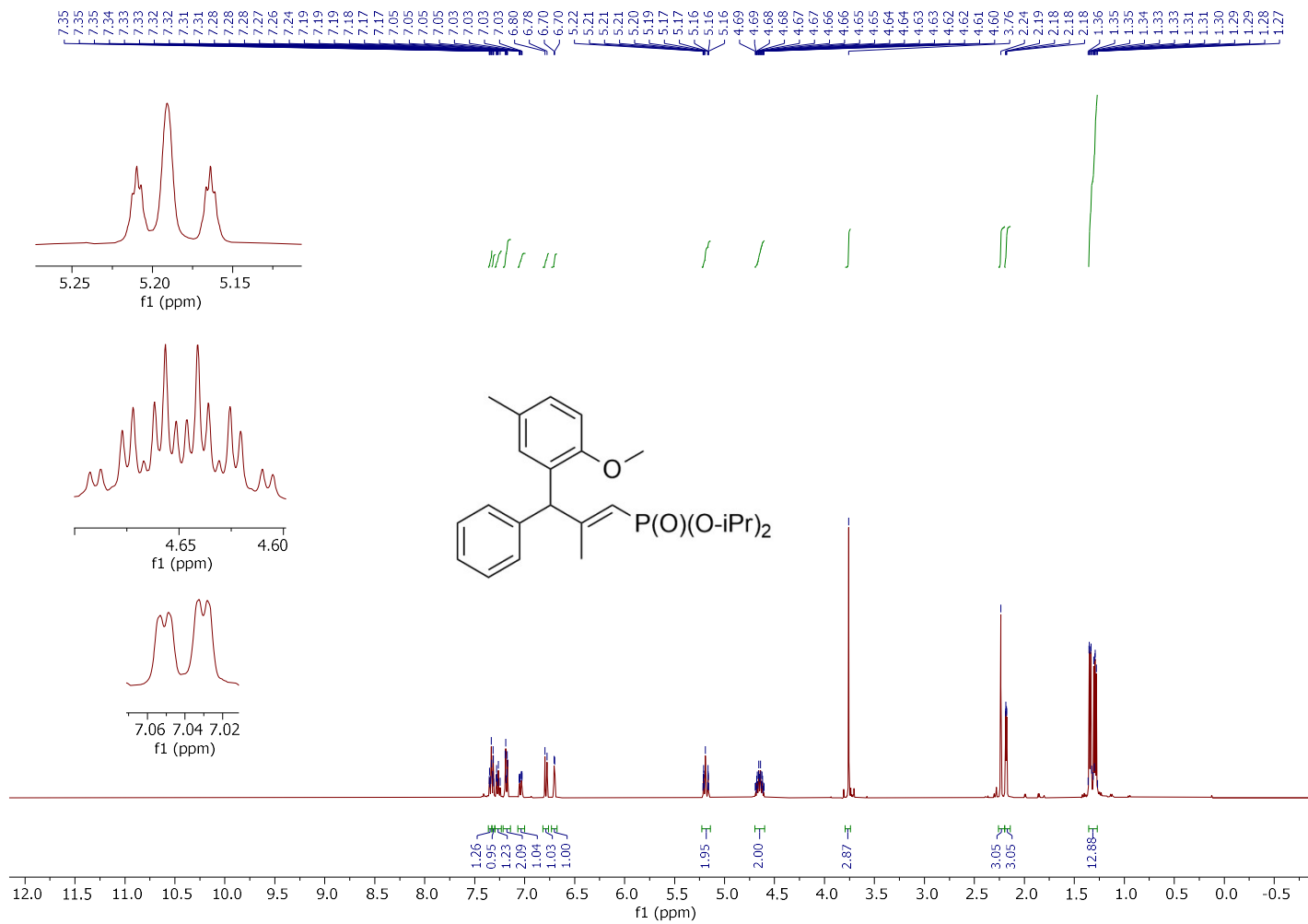
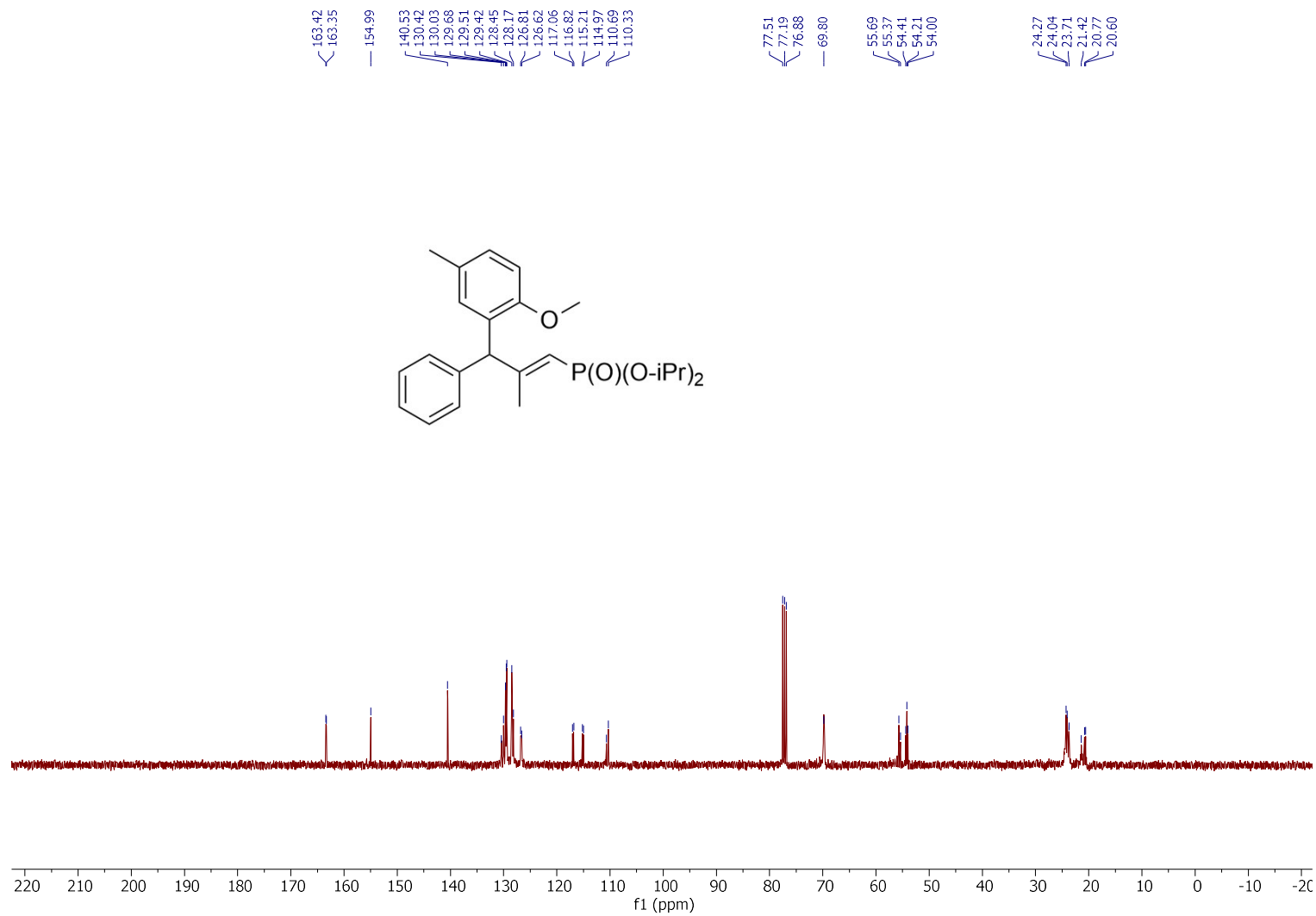


Figure S127: ^1H NMR Spectra of 5h in CDCl_3



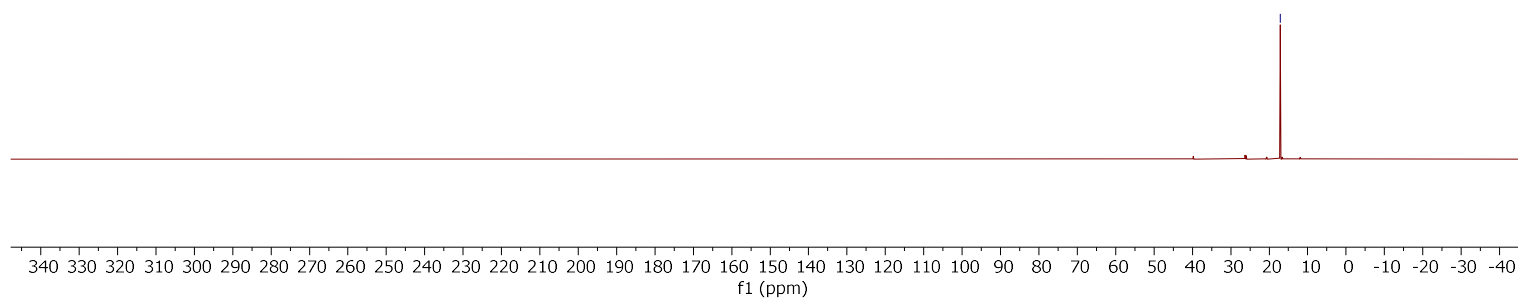
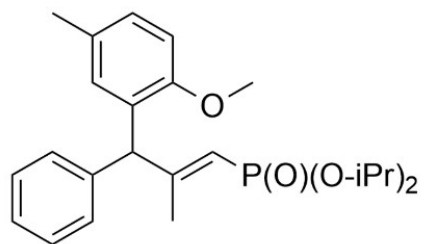


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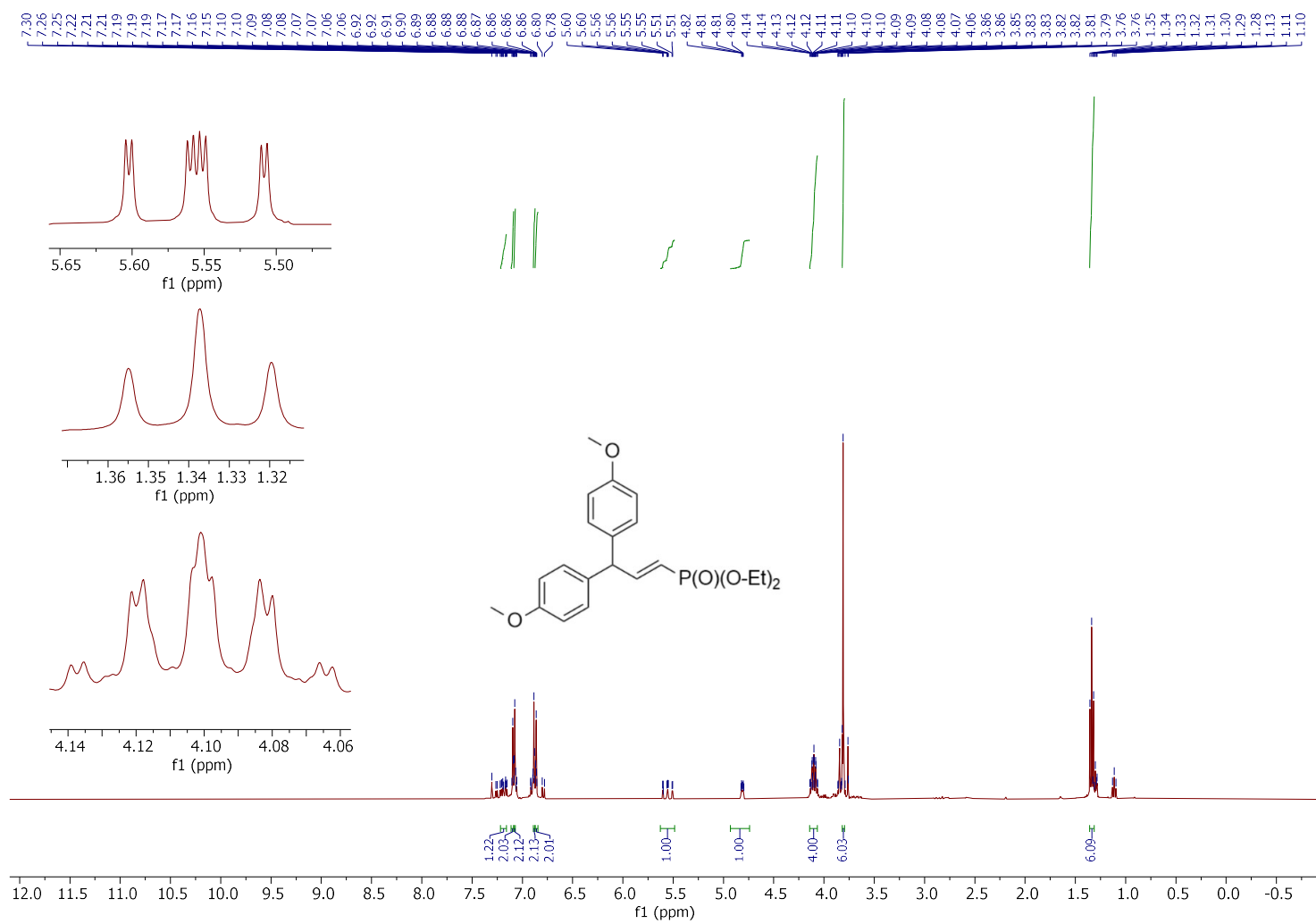


Figure S130: ^1H NMR Spectra of 7a in CDCl_3

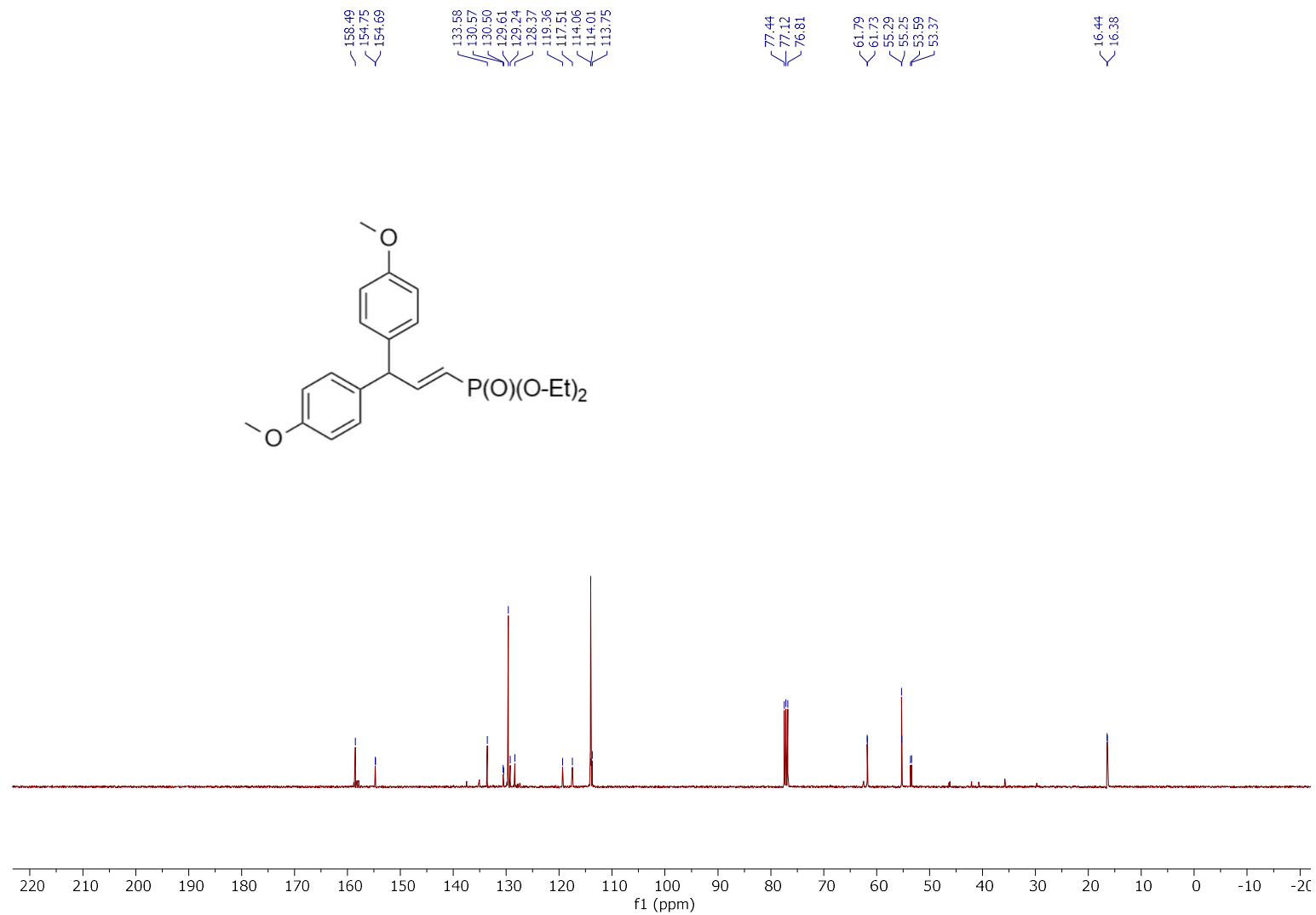


Figure S131: $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR Spectra of 7a in CDCl_3

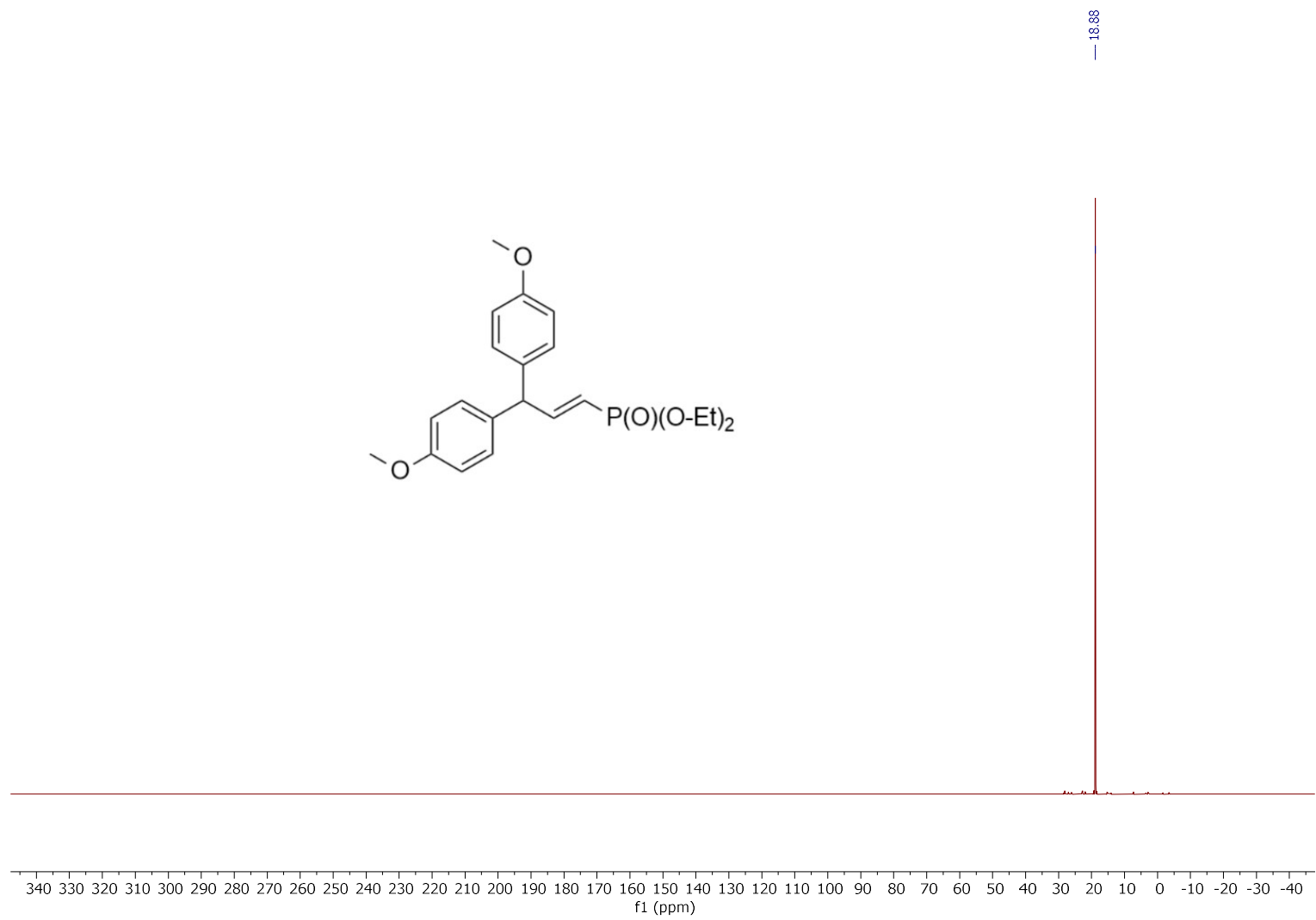


Figure S132: $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR Spectra of 7a in CDCl_3

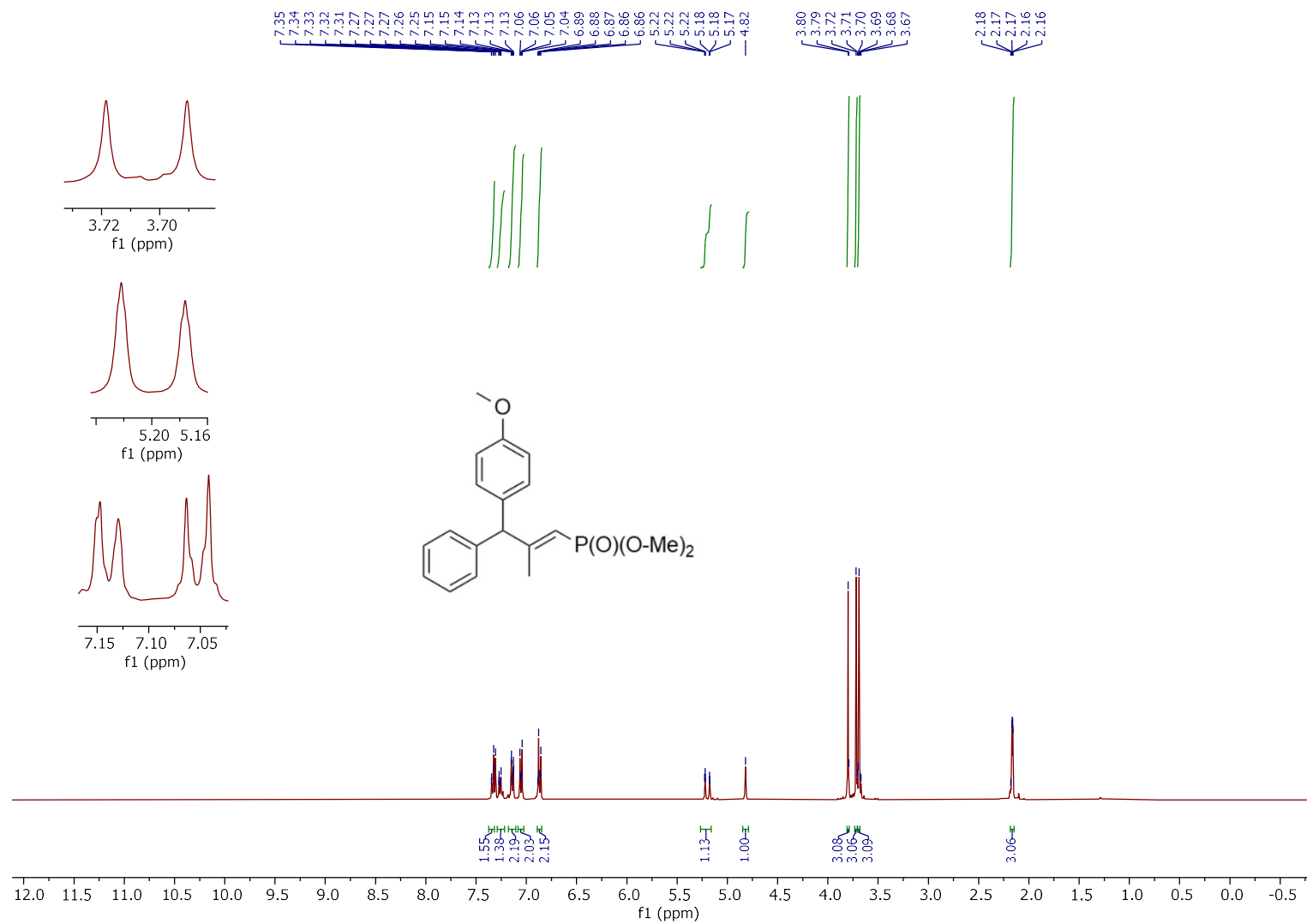


Figure S133: ^1H NMR Spectra of 7b in CDCl_3

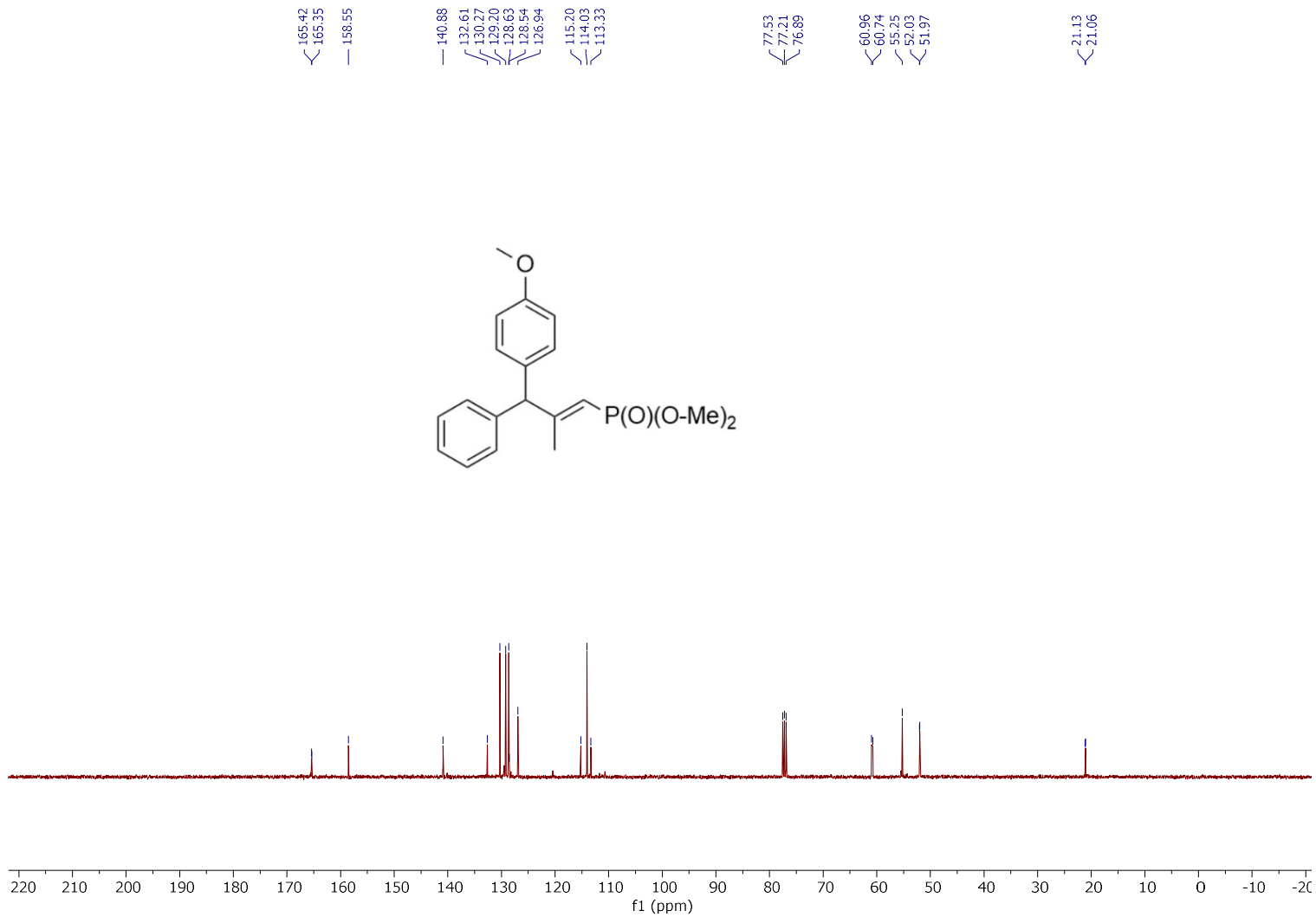


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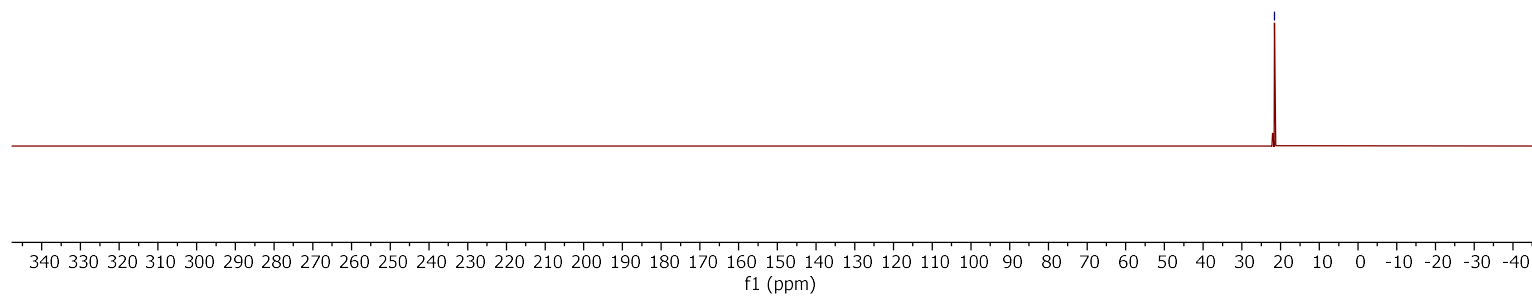
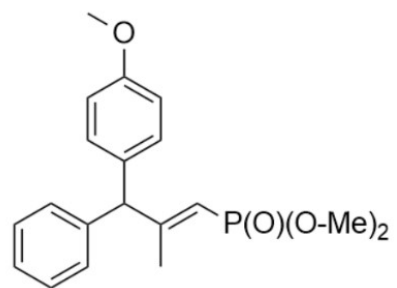


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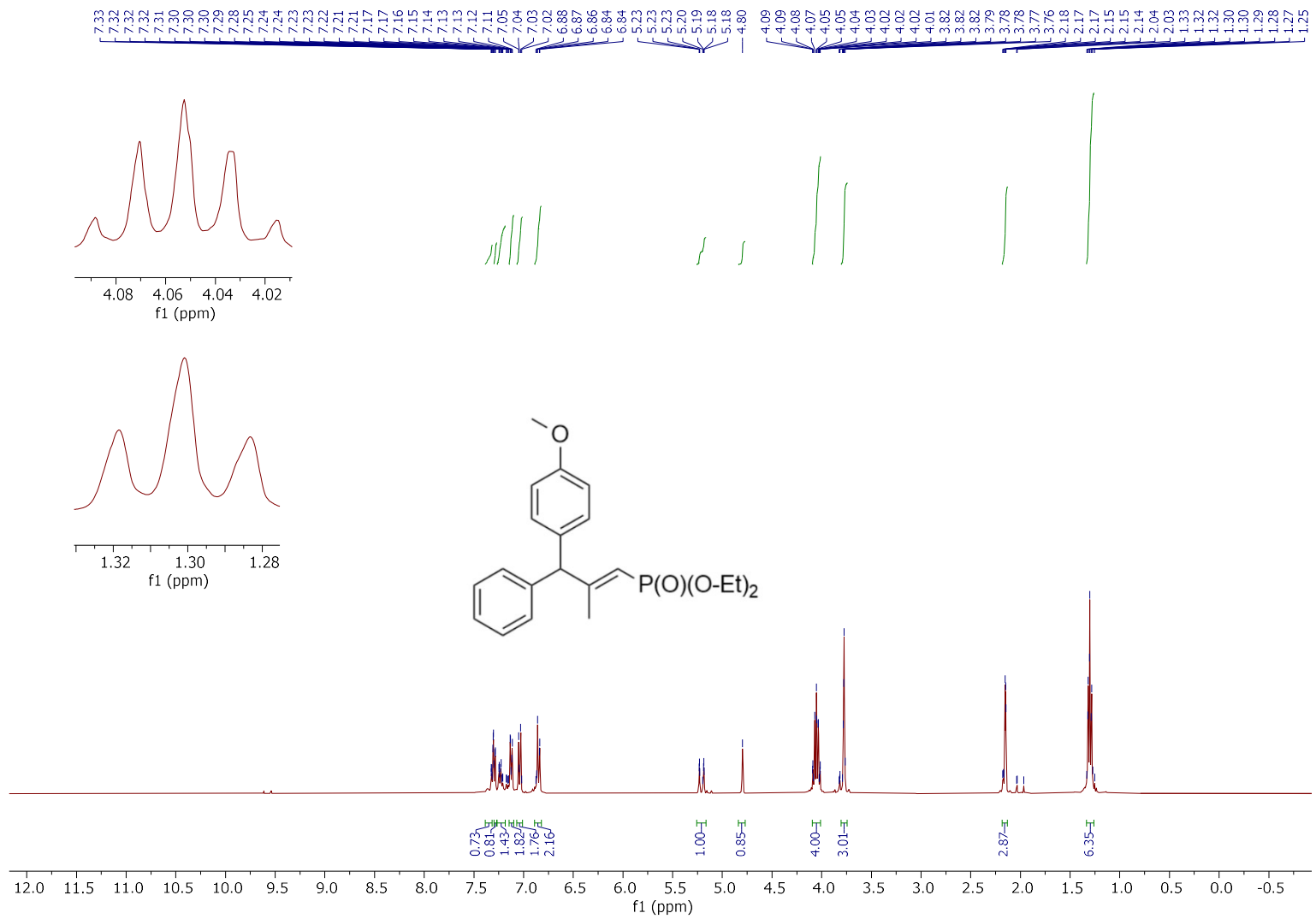


Figure S136: ^1H NMR Spectra of 7c in CDCl_3

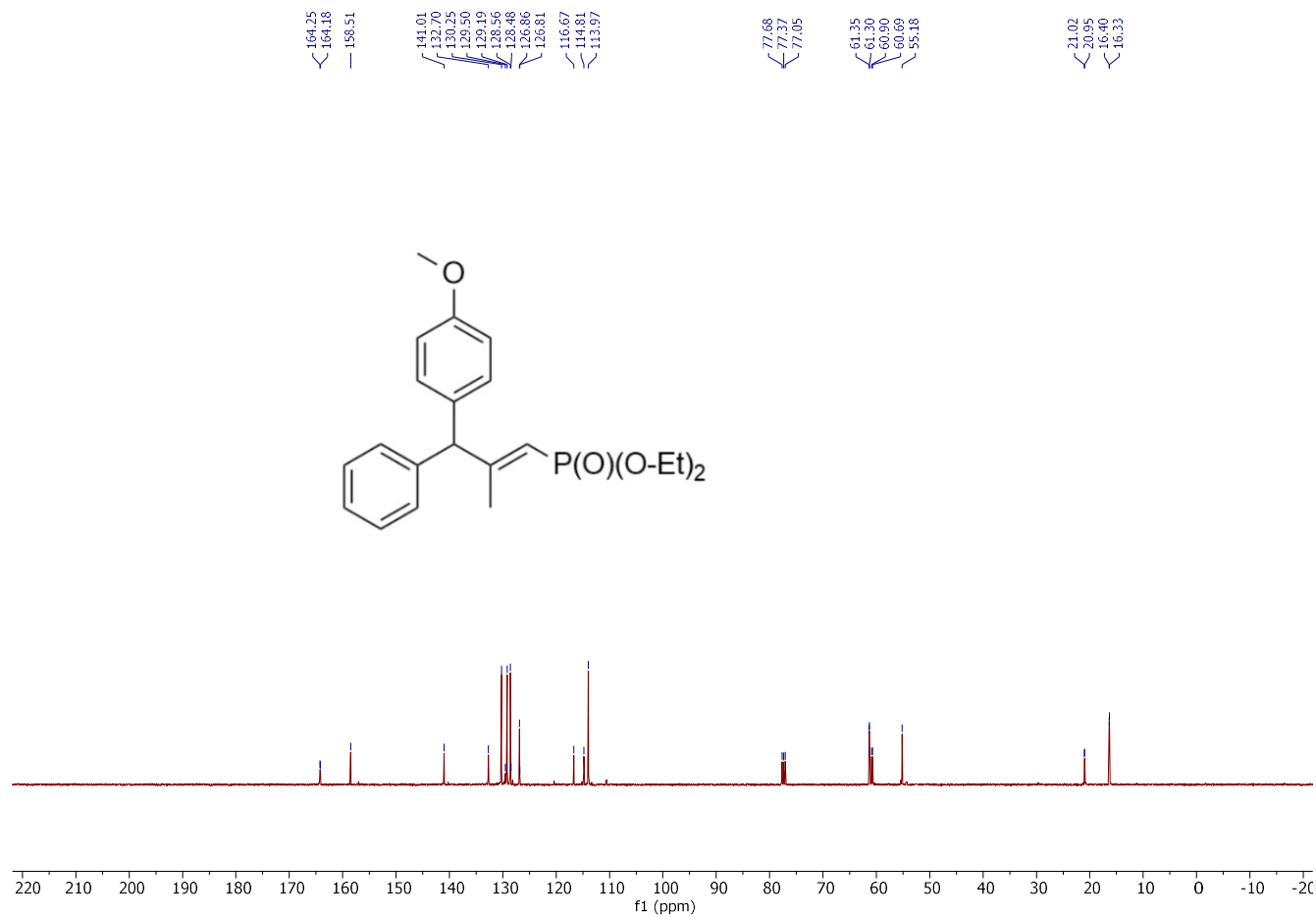


Figure S137: $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR Spectra of 7c in CDCl_3

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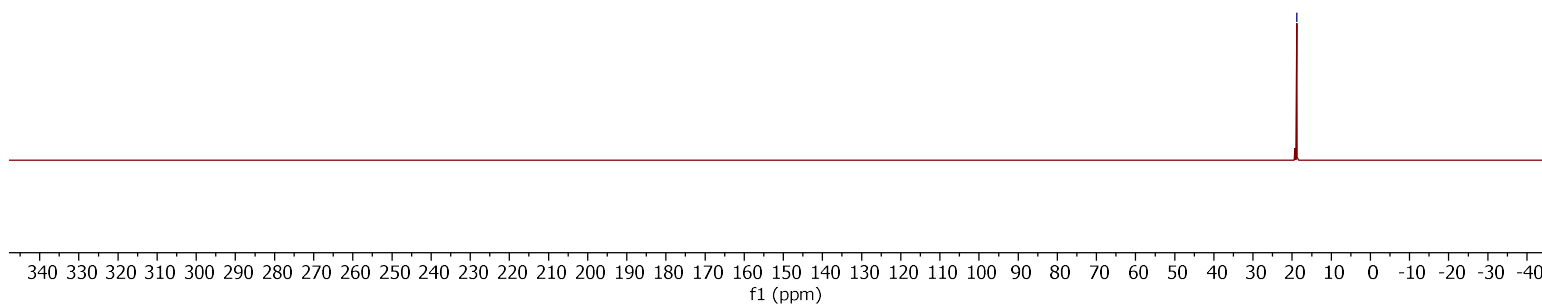
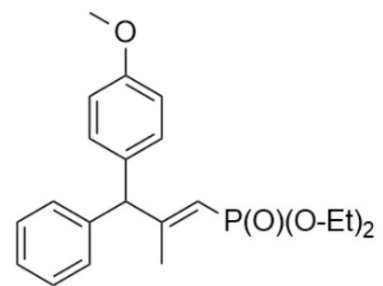


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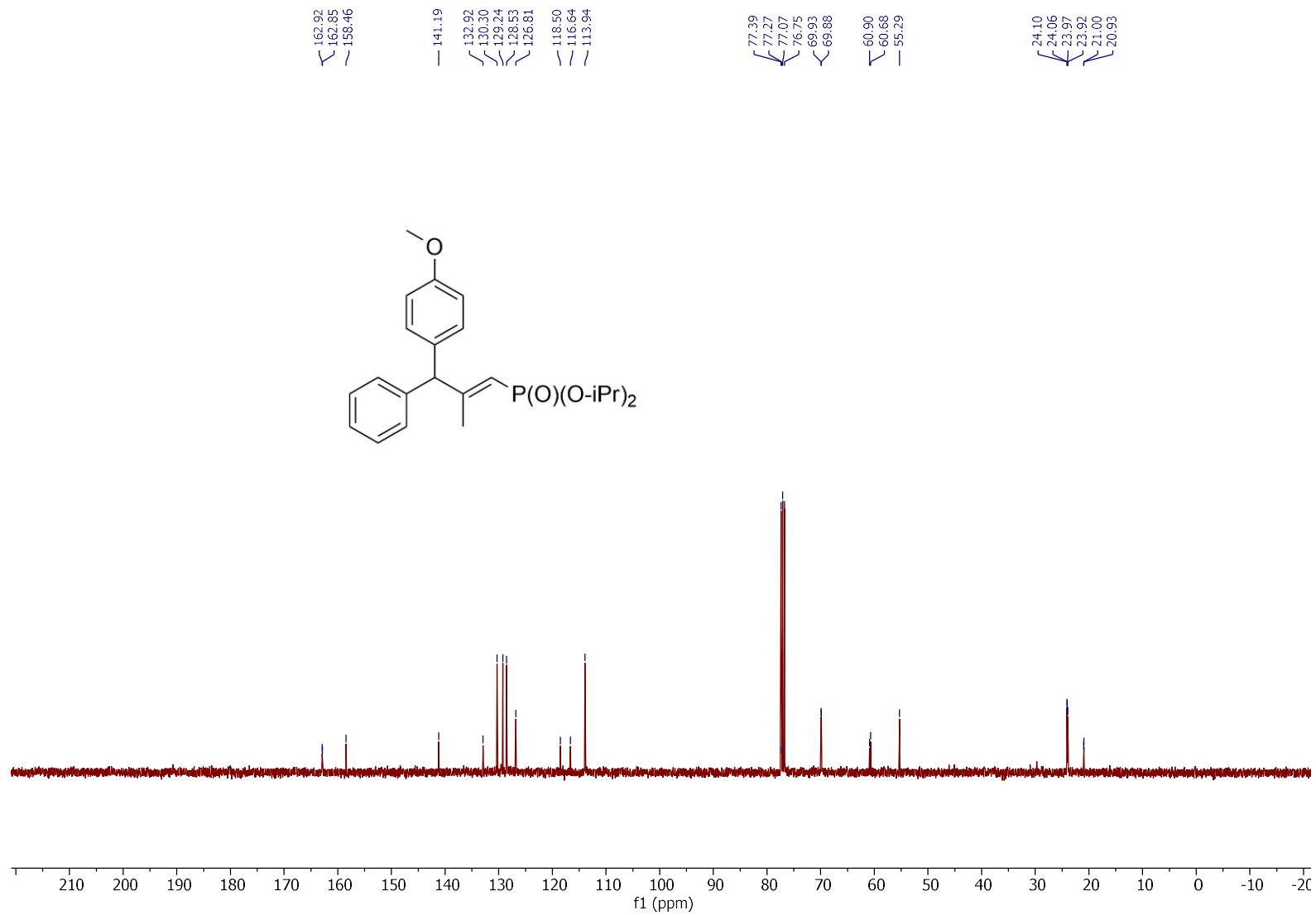


Figure S140: $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR Spectra of 7d in CDCl_3

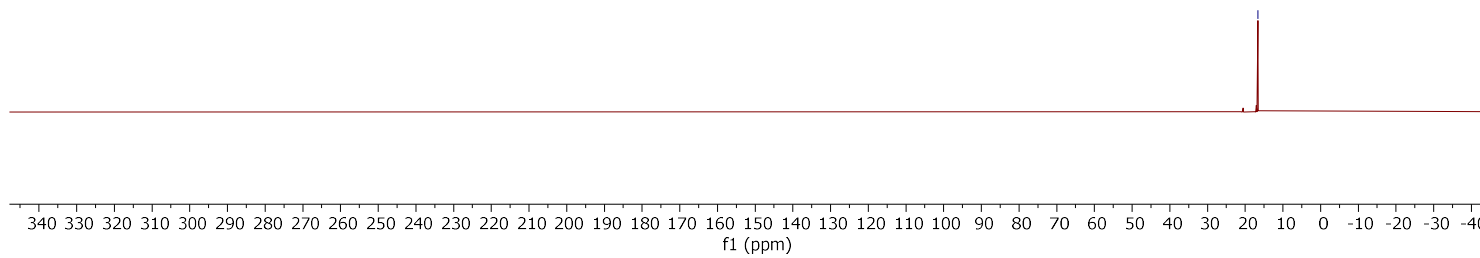
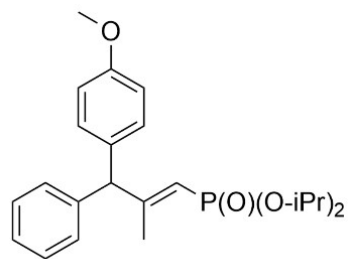


Figure S141: $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR Spectra of 7d in CDCl_3

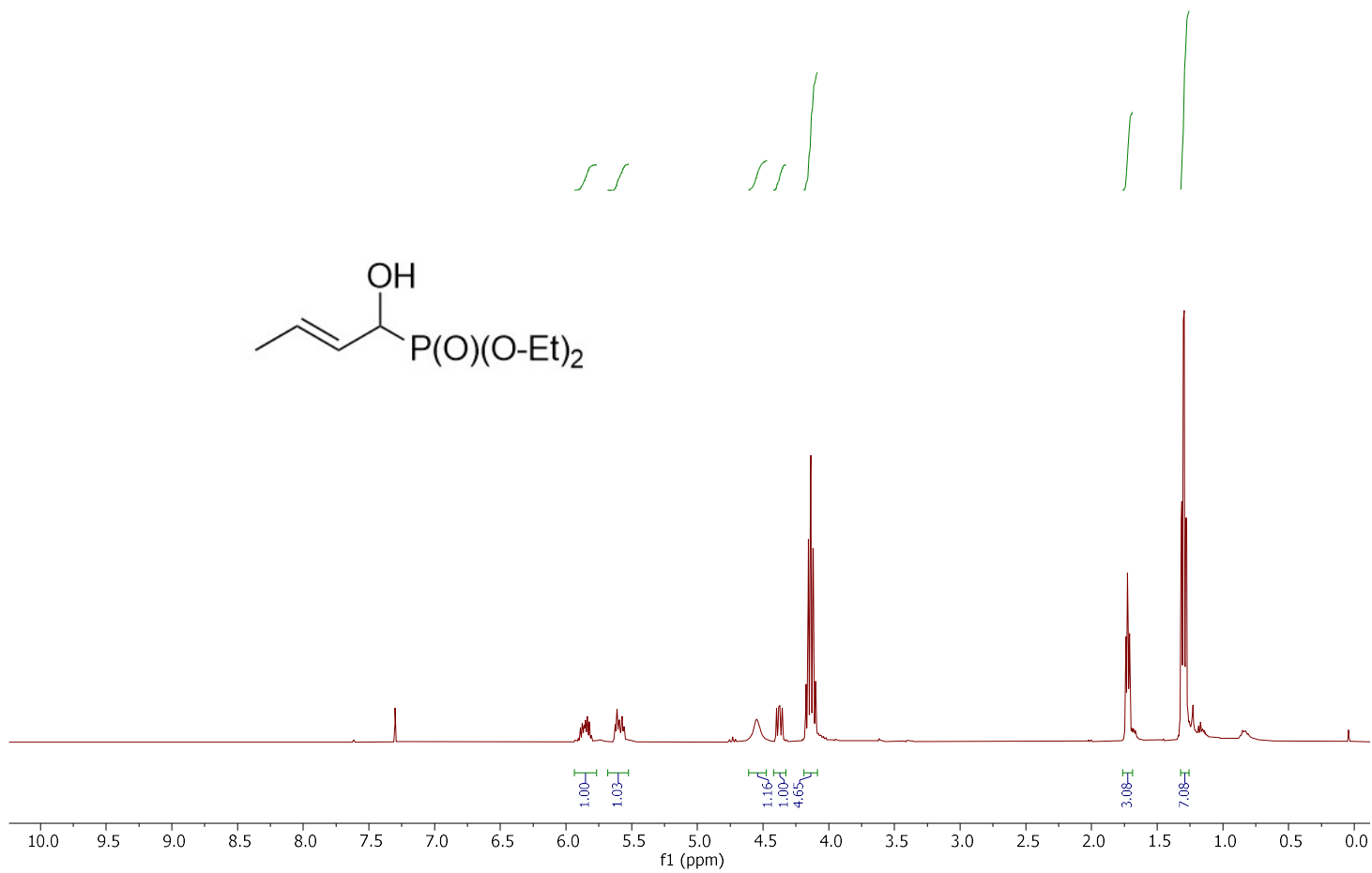


Figure S142: ¹H NMR Spectra of 1aa in CDCl₃

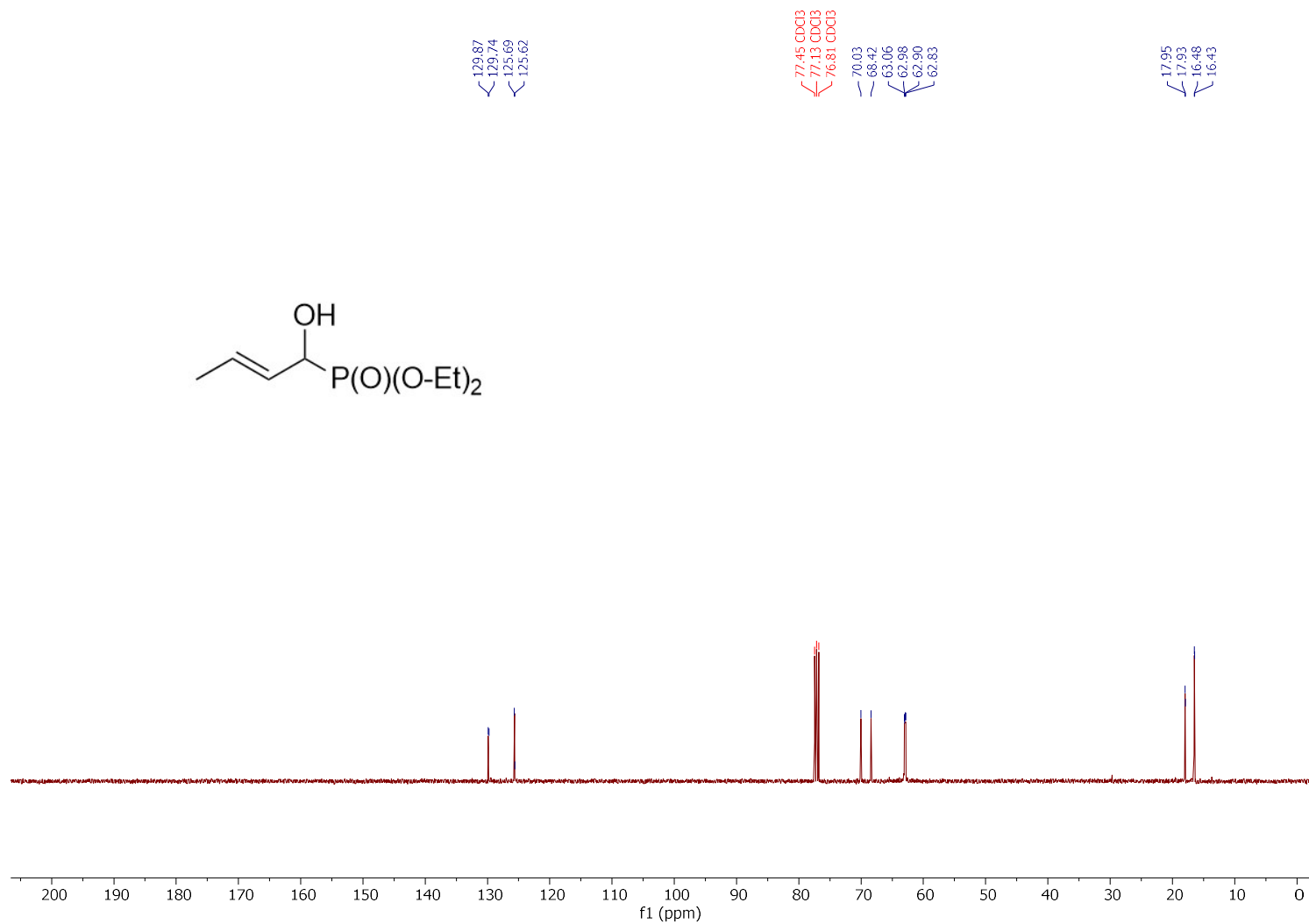


Figure S143: $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR Spectra of 1aa in CDCl_3

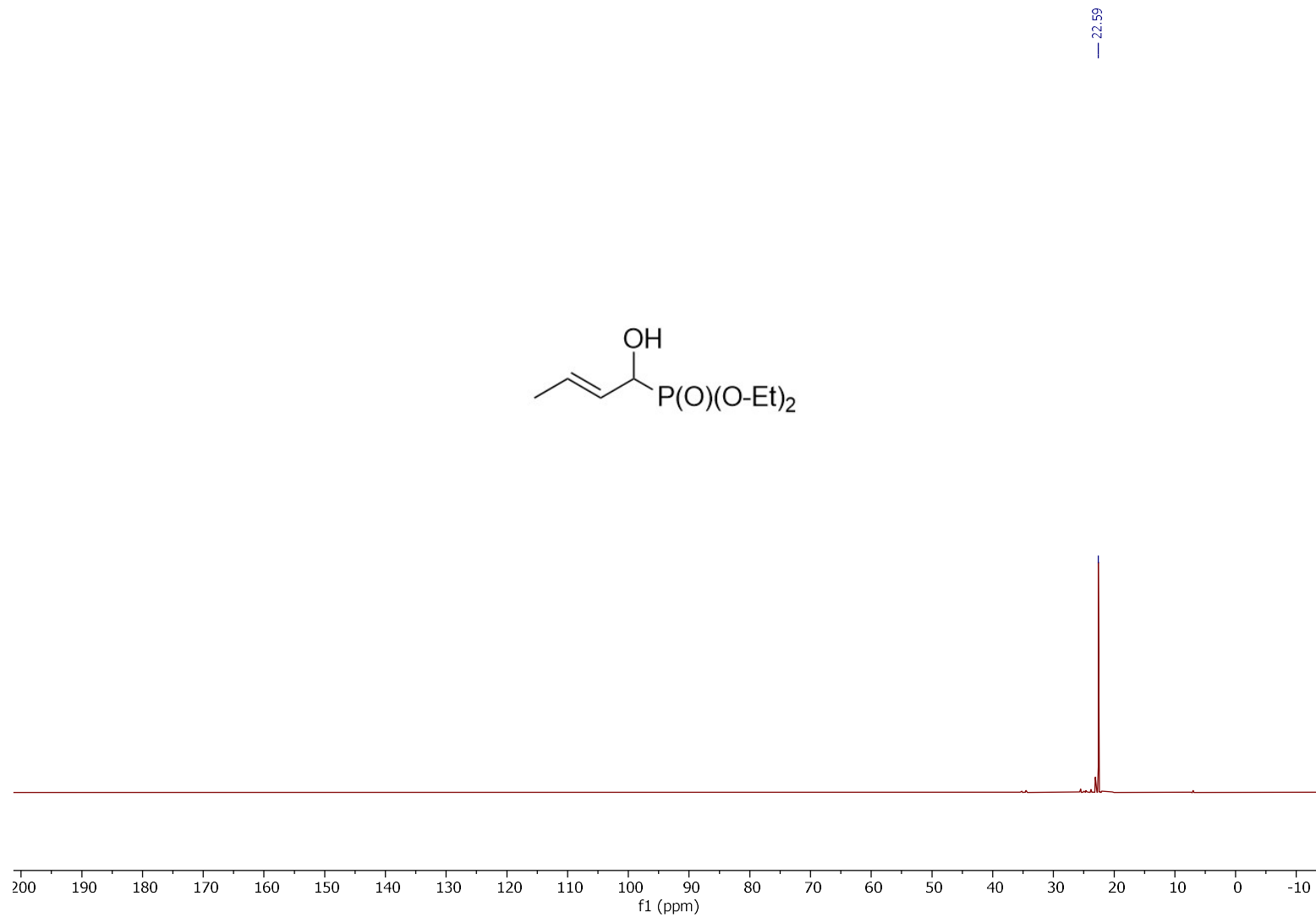


Figure S144: $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR Spectra of 1aa in CDCl_3

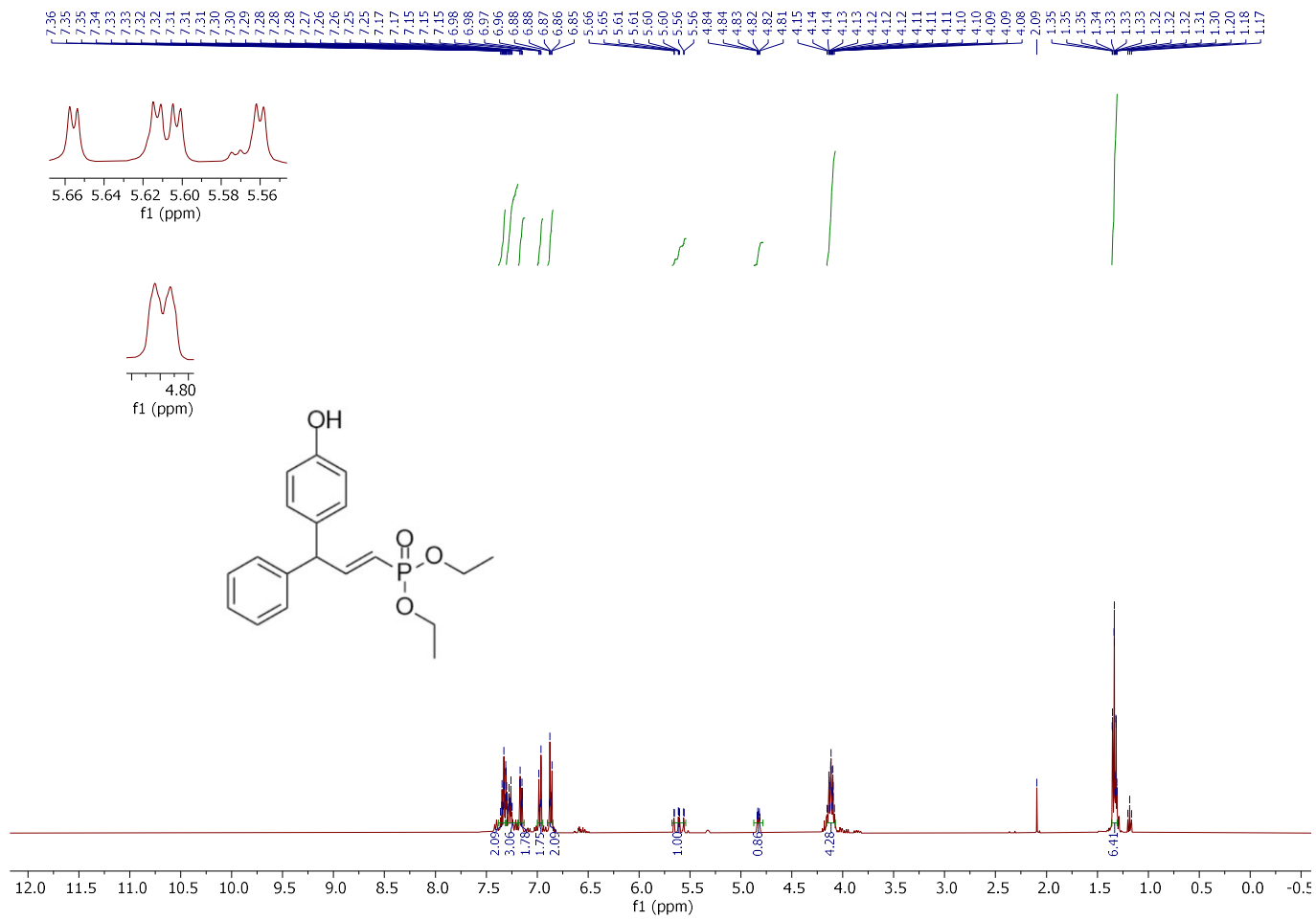


Figure S145: ¹H NMR Spectra of products of the reaction of Phenol with 1a in TFA in CDCl₃

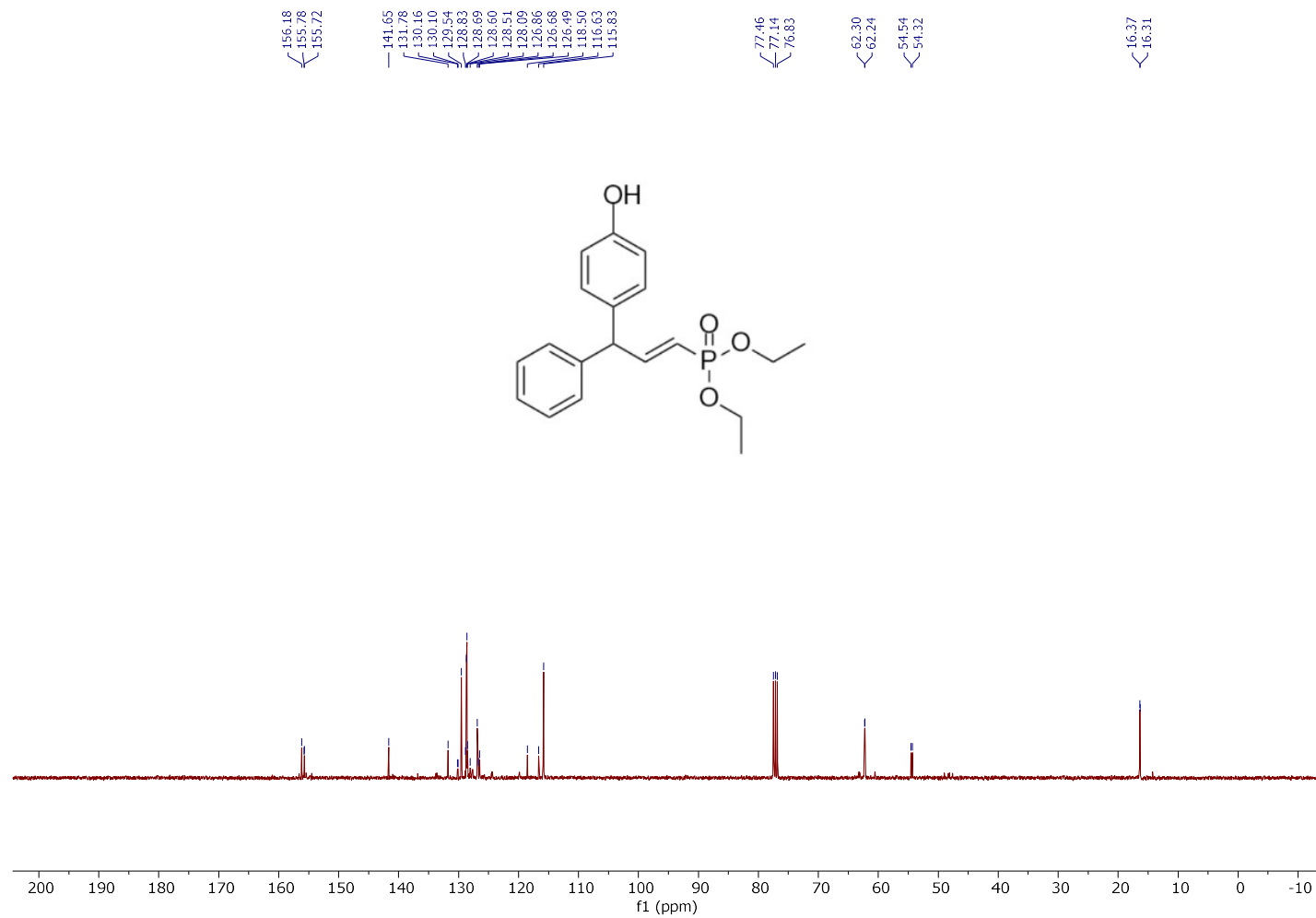


Figure S146: $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR Spectra of products of the reaction of Phenol with 1a in TFA in CDCl_3

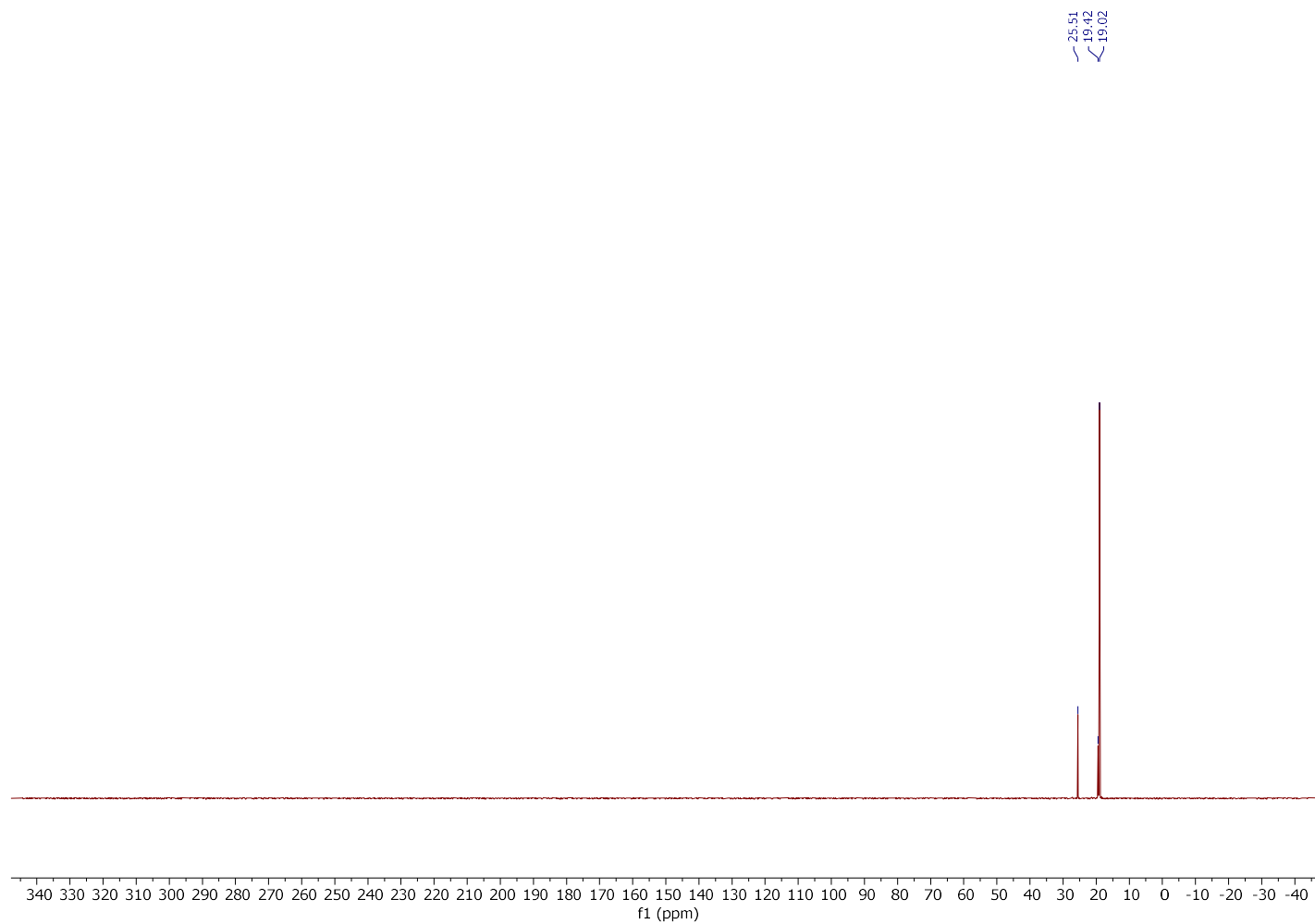


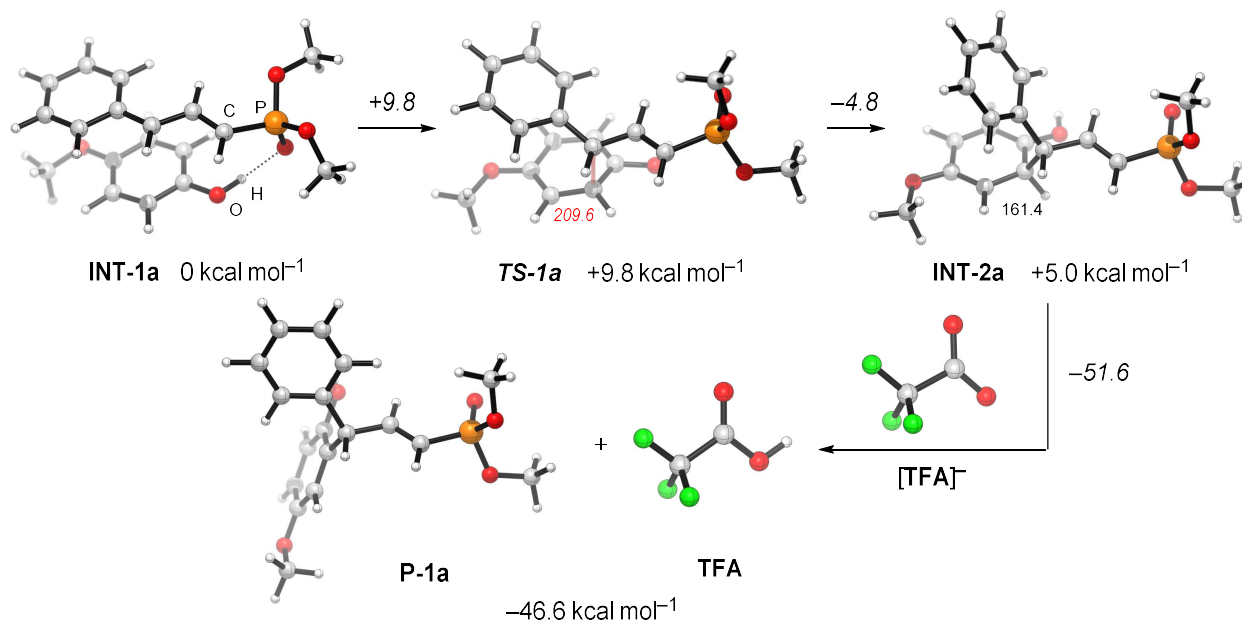
Figure S147: $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR Spectra of products of the reaction of Phenol with 1a in TFA in CDCl_3

DFT calculations

All calculations were conducted by using a *Gaussian 09* program package, revision D.01.¹ Molecular geometries were optimized at PCM(AcOH)-M062X/6-31+G(d,p) level of theory. Thermochemical properties were obtained by single point calculations with frequency analysis. Free Gibbs energies ΔG are calculated as the values at 298 K. Single imaginary frequency was obtained in all transition states, which were supported by the intrinsic reaction coordinate (IRC) calculations using the local quadratic approximation (lqa) algorithm. Each geometry of reaction intermediates was obtained by structural optimization of the IRC geometries.

Simulated reaction paths for C-C and C-O bond forming reactions

Table S1. Molecular geometries and energies for the C-C bond forming reaction



| INT-1a | | | | | TS-1a | | | | |
|---------------|--------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|--------------|--------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
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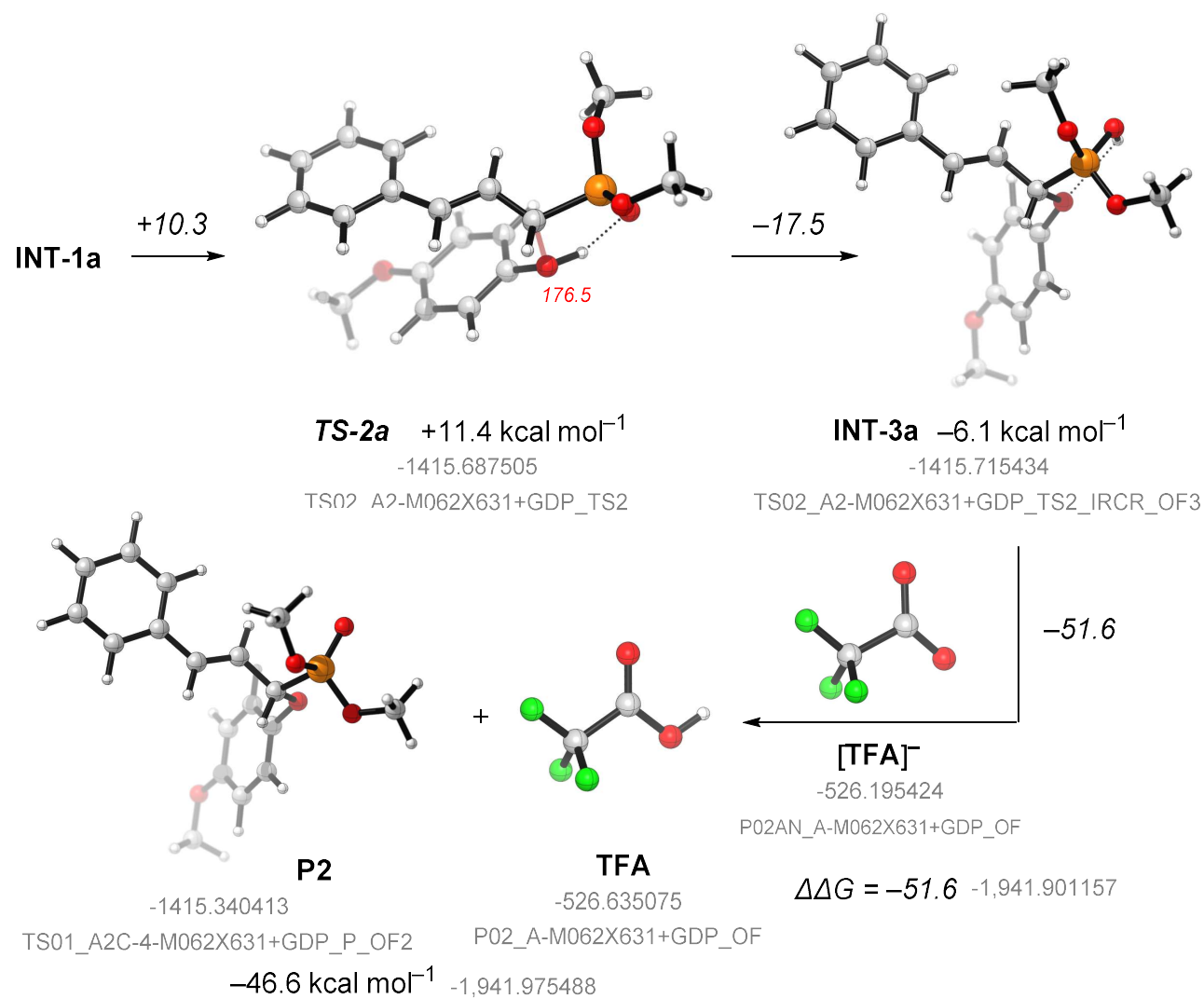
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| 18 | 6 | -0.889031 | -0.445922 | -2.188276 | 18 | 6 | -1.016330 | 0.467792 | -2.268796 |
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| 22 | 1 | -1.006475 | -1.926509 | -0.713040 | 22 | 6 | -2.795715 | -0.837083 | -3.255827 |
| 23 | 6 | -3.054410 | 0.382833 | -2.727490 | 23 | 1 | -1.290152 | 0.195406 | -4.385566 |
| 24 | 1 | -1.357428 | 0.628263 | -4.011612 | 24 | 6 | -3.284376 | -1.141628 | -1.982988 |
| 25 | 6 | -3.620161 | -0.153880 | -1.517175 | 25 | 1 | -2.992081 | -0.855557 | 0.140692 |
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| 27 | 1 | -3.731981 | 0.908686 | -3.394886 | 27 | 15 | 2.573911 | -1.448393 | 1.353083 |
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| 32 | 6 | 4.719170 | -3.450587 | 1.349500 | 32 | 1 | 3.965436 | -3.702540 | 2.556934 |
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| 35 | 1 | 5.316906 | -3.123295 | 0.496350 | 35 | 6 | 3.785720 | 0.177804 | 3.002791 |
| 36 | 6 | 4.050800 | 0.532076 | 2.847919 | 36 | 1 | 4.157699 | 0.193967 | 4.025887 |
| 37 | 1 | 4.417856 | 0.608937 | 3.869626 | 37 | 1 | 4.607238 | 0.326608 | 2.299548 |
| 38 | 1 | 4.810047 | 0.878349 | 2.144953 | 38 | 1 | 3.037221 | 0.966055 | 2.873228 |
| 39 | 1 | 3.139626 | 1.127561 | 2.737857 | 39 | 8 | 0.096015 | 1.258439 | -2.364025 |
| 40 | 8 | 0.359237 | -0.704933 | -2.456321 | 40 | 1 | 0.340485 | 1.381771 | -3.289672 |
| 41 | 1 | 0.646711 | -0.370366 | -3.323833 | 41 | 8 | -4.395524 | -1.932356 | -1.937587 |
| 42 | 8 | -4.943273 | 0.058735 | -1.402331 | 42 | 6 | -4.905336 | -2.273627 | -0.660717 |
| 43 | 6 | -5.567863 | -0.412188 | -0.212111 | 43 | 1 | -5.214380 | -1.379687 | -0.107239 |
| 44 | 1 | -5.119727 | 0.063751 | 0.666476 | 44 | 1 | -5.772956 | -2.906442 | -0.841398 |
| 45 | 1 | -6.615402 | -0.131874 | -0.292853 | 45 | 1 | -4.163383 | -2.828597 | -0.075664 |
| 46 | 1 | -5.477953 | -1.500646 | -0.137561 | | | | | |
| E(RM062X) = -1416.01901457 | | | | | E(RM062X) = -1415.64677720 | | | | |
| Zero-point correction= 0.377970 (Hartree/Particle) | | | | | Zero-point correction= 0.364460 (Hartree/Particle) | | | | |
| Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -1415.616513 | | | | | Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -1415.257440 | | | | |
| Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -1415.615569 | | | | | Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -1415.256496 | | | | |
| Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -1415.697763 | | | | | Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -1415.340413 | | | | |

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| Center | Atomic | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | | Center | Atomic | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
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| 2 | 6 | -1.552364 | -0.592583 | -0.947476 | 2 | 6 | -1.558242 | -0.570332 | -0.947569 |
| 3 | 8 | -1.867190 | -2.896615 | -0.434134 | 3 | 8 | -1.845186 | -2.916258 | -0.456505 |
| 4 | 8 | 0.037422 | -2.236018 | -1.475865 | 4 | 8 | 0.046456 | -2.201262 | -1.470738 |
| 5 | 9 | -2.761992 | -0.399334 | -0.394220 | 5 | 1 | 0.306675 | -3.138149 | -1.456096 |
| 6 | 9 | -0.690727 | 0.198552 | -0.269875 | 6 | 9 | -2.752487 | -0.406718 | -0.390864 |
| 7 | 9 | -1.621293 | -0.093005 | -2.201371 | 7 | 9 | -0.669680 | 0.172736 | -0.279299 |
| | | | | | 8 | 9 | -1.608933 | -0.124217 | -2.207327 |
| E(RM062X) = -526.191000752 | | | | | E(RM062X) = -526.643381074 | | | | |
| Zero-point correction= 0.026627 (Hartree/Particle) | | | | | Zero-point correction= 0.039659 (Hartree/Particle) | | | | |
| Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -526.158437 | | | | | Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -526.597519 | | | | |
| Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -526.157493 | | | | | Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -526.596575 | | | | |
| Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -526.195424 | | | | | Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -526.635075 | | | | |

Table S2. Molecular geometries and energies for the C-O bond forming reaction



*TS-2a**INT-3a*

| Center | Atomic | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | | Center | Atomic | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|--------|--------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|--------|--------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Number | Number | X | Y | Z | Number | Number | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 1.775525 | -0.573795 | 1.020557 | 1 | 6 | 0.811020 | -0.488674 | 0.066013 |
| 2 | 1 | 1.670002 | -1.160506 | 1.931216 | 2 | 1 | 0.419656 | -1.030096 | 0.937971 |
| 3 | 6 | 1.052009 | 0.663521 | 0.944455 | 3 | 6 | 0.380551 | 0.944248 | 0.067534 |
| 4 | 1 | 1.331006 | 1.389776 | 0.186639 | 4 | 1 | 0.634071 | 1.519752 | -0.821905 |
| 5 | 6 | -0.097599 | 0.792933 | 1.658006 | 5 | 6 | -0.274153 | 1.485266 | 1.103783 |
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| 7 | 6 | -1.133290 | 1.796778 | 1.477184 | 7 | 6 | -0.684002 | 2.891074 | 1.231437 |
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| 9 | 6 | -1.111957 | 2.720844 | 0.417173 | 9 | 6 | -0.176396 | 3.902233 | 0.400581 |
| 10 | 6 | -3.278822 | 2.685456 | 2.185729 | 10 | 6 | -2.037705 | 4.550791 | 2.375906 |
| 11 | 1 | -2.259667 | 1.062038 | 3.163465 | 11 | 1 | -1.998163 | 2.459307 | 2.882007 |
| 12 | 6 | -2.157989 | 3.618867 | 0.252493 | 12 | 6 | -0.602999 | 5.216987 | 0.550981 |
| 13 | 1 | -0.286699 | 2.729660 | -0.287767 | 13 | 1 | 0.564347 | 3.667628 | -0.358423 |
| 14 | 6 | -3.241817 | 3.602648 | 1.135083 | 14 | 6 | -1.537172 | 5.544726 | 1.536562 |
| 15 | 1 | -4.121604 | 2.670769 | 2.868612 | 15 | 1 | -2.758965 | 4.800057 | 3.147223 |
| 16 | 1 | -2.137364 | 4.327408 | -0.568620 | 16 | 1 | -0.201621 | 5.990475 | -0.095689 |
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| 18 | 6 | -0.296088 | -1.348155 | -0.486202 | 18 | 6 | -0.818657 | -1.529228 | -1.300027 |

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| 19 | 6 | -1.371516 | -1.726479 | 0.300256 | 19 | 6 | -1.283555 | -2.700171 | -0.722361 |
| 20 | 6 | -0.444589 | -0.480585 | -1.567872 | 20 | 6 | -1.663427 | -0.711141 | -2.047337 |
| 21 | 6 | -2.643423 | -1.236854 | 0.004040 | 21 | 6 | -2.618632 | -3.074570 | -0.887963 |
| 22 | 1 | -1.214017 | -2.389508 | 1.145126 | 22 | 1 | -0.604803 | -3.326965 | -0.151600 |
| 23 | 6 | -1.706409 | 0.000217 | -1.868305 | 23 | 6 | -2.989575 | -1.080255 | -2.217532 |
| 24 | 1 | 0.420149 | -0.176214 | -2.151824 | 24 | 1 | -1.277445 | 0.199865 | -2.492924 |
| 25 | 6 | -2.808945 | -0.357722 | -1.071924 | 25 | 6 | -3.473812 | -2.261138 | -1.637558 |
| 26 | 1 | -3.480259 | -1.531790 | 0.624177 | 26 | 1 | -2.969206 | -3.994166 | -0.436408 |
| 27 | 1 | -1.863888 | 0.678855 | -2.699369 | 27 | 1 | -3.671029 | -0.466638 | -2.796763 |
| 28 | 15 | 3.430821 | -0.675805 | 0.230809 | 28 | 15 | 2.626945 | -0.618666 | 0.115169 |
| 29 | 8 | 4.305109 | -1.266818 | 1.399389 | 29 | 8 | 2.965088 | -2.058073 | 0.598627 |
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| 31 | 8 | 3.278913 | -1.466504 | -1.032971 | 31 | 8 | 3.179202 | -0.299011 | -1.326912 |
| 32 | 6 | 5.744467 | -1.376387 | 1.257861 | 32 | 6 | 4.338559 | -2.531123 | 0.742690 |
| 33 | 1 | 6.095110 | -1.840161 | 2.176001 | 33 | 1 | 4.250447 | -3.566780 | 1.057466 |
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| 35 | 1 | 6.174393 | -0.380525 | 1.144828 | 35 | 1 | 4.841092 | -1.934489 | 1.502942 |
| 36 | 6 | 4.033049 | 1.399991 | -1.295022 | 36 | 6 | 3.542440 | 1.794718 | 0.831716 |
| 37 | 1 | 4.190415 | 2.461874 | -1.121975 | 37 | 1 | 4.423604 | 2.063929 | 1.407739 |
| 38 | 1 | 4.865260 | 0.973731 | -1.854324 | 38 | 1 | 3.710819 | 1.963547 | -0.231919 |
| 39 | 1 | 3.097924 | 1.234568 | -1.831767 | 39 | 1 | 2.663969 | 2.332186 | 1.186555 |
| 40 | 8 | 0.975168 | -1.724943 | -0.051608 | 40 | 8 | 0.525233 | -1.174653 | -1.150867 |

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| 41 | 1 | 1.672569 | -1.839504 | -0.773452 | 41 | 1 | 2.626004 | -0.640829 | -2.054460 |
| 42 | 8 | -3.985781 | 0.200281 | -1.421741 | 42 | 8 | -4.783978 | -2.533151 | -1.860230 |
| 43 | 6 | -5.115104 | -0.048719 | -0.593822 | 43 | 6 | -5.320804 | -3.720533 | -1.297025 |
| 44 | 1 | -4.925540 | 0.294724 | 0.428829 | 44 | 1 | -5.247269 | -3.703727 | -0.204474 |
| 45 | 1 | -5.933532 | 0.522323 | -1.027512 | 45 | 1 | -6.368415 | -3.744449 | -1.591494 |
| 46 | 1 | -5.370417 | -1.112980 | -0.591229 | 46 | 1 | -4.809238 | -4.606039 | -1.688770 |
| E(RM062X) = -1416.00784106 | | | | | E(RM062X) = -1416.03455818 | | | | |
| Zero-point correction= 0.375726 (Hartree/Particle) | | | | | Zero-point correction= 0.376991 (Hartree/Particle) | | | | |
| Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -1415.608038 | | | | | Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -1415.632861 | | | | |
| Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -1415.607094 | | | | | Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -1415.631916 | | | | |
| Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -1415.687505 | | | | | Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -1415.715434 | | | | |

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| Center | Atomic | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
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| Number | Number | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0.914808 | -0.488625 | -0.063847 |
| 2 | 1 | 0.564086 | -1.021701 | 0.831817 |
| 3 | 6 | 0.414211 | 0.924180 | -0.064954 |
| 4 | 1 | 0.650273 | 1.506349 | -0.954772 |
| 5 | 6 | -0.254197 | 1.451421 | 0.967872 |
| 6 | 1 | -0.494958 | 0.804745 | 1.812495 |
| 7 | 6 | -0.712772 | 2.846091 | 1.084550 |

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| 9 | 6 | -0.213922 | 3.872852 | 0.268042 |
| 10 | 6 | -2.146701 | 4.469010 | 2.188216 |
| 11 | 1 | -2.058105 | 2.380008 | 2.699084 |
| 12 | 6 | -0.684531 | 5.174997 | 0.403147 |
| 13 | 1 | 0.557231 | 3.657272 | -0.465718 |
| 14 | 6 | -1.654729 | 5.477737 | 1.361194 |
| 15 | 1 | -2.895753 | 4.696687 | 2.939977 |
| 16 | 1 | -0.286992 | 5.958835 | -0.233853 |
| 17 | 1 | -2.017204 | 6.495327 | 1.466463 |
| 18 | 6 | -0.783989 | -1.522013 | -1.327592 |
| 19 | 6 | -1.289639 | -2.593546 | -0.604252 |
| 20 | 6 | -1.616829 | -0.783451 | -2.168267 |
| 21 | 6 | -2.638531 | -2.941606 | -0.712101 |
| 22 | 1 | -0.627186 | -3.167482 | 0.037251 |
| 23 | 6 | -2.956696 | -1.126258 | -2.284286 |
| 24 | 1 | -1.203727 | 0.049693 | -2.727837 |
| 25 | 6 | -3.474065 | -2.204616 | -1.555235 |
| 26 | 1 | -3.013974 | -3.784195 | -0.144478 |
| 27 | 1 | -3.623000 | -0.569197 | -2.934575 |
| 28 | 15 | 2.744017 | -0.490584 | -0.002751 |
| 29 | 8 | 3.052524 | -2.038170 | 0.231486 |

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| 30 | 8 | 3.092284 | 0.151368 | 1.428638 |
| 31 | 8 | 3.432455 | 0.170509 | -1.140313 |
| 32 | 6 | 4.425306 | -2.471541 | 0.254516 |
| 33 | 1 | 4.401063 | -3.551290 | 0.386939 |
| 34 | 1 | 4.913773 | -2.219694 | -0.688604 |
| 35 | 1 | 4.950628 | -2.004929 | 1.091279 |
| 36 | 6 | 3.489053 | 1.531154 | 1.524045 |
| 37 | 1 | 3.894679 | 1.661578 | 2.526010 |
| 38 | 1 | 4.248763 | 1.758007 | 0.774691 |
| 39 | 1 | 2.620196 | 2.179951 | 1.386625 |
| 40 | 8 | 0.562423 | -1.200624 | -1.247528 |
| 41 | 8 | -4.799110 | -2.460618 | -1.734368 |
| 42 | 6 | -5.362143 | -3.547970 | -1.020116 |
| 43 | 1 | -5.276159 | -3.395130 | 0.061309 |
| 44 | 1 | -6.413782 | -3.580023 | -1.300457 |
| 45 | 1 | -4.880502 | -4.492094 | -1.297174 |

E(RM062X) = -1415.62892204

Zero-point correction= 0.364475 (Hartree/Particle)

Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -1415.239813

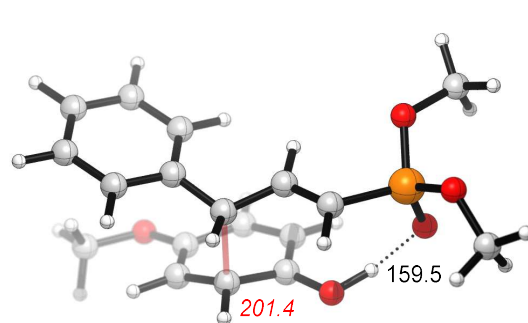
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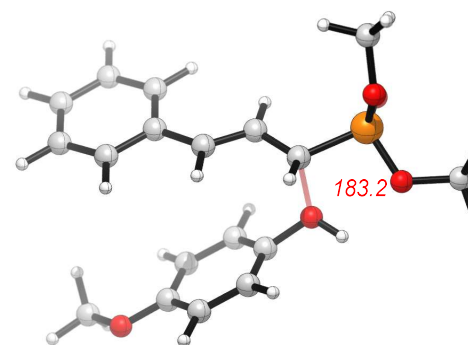
Energetic impact of H-bonding or non-H-bonding transition states

As shown in Table S3, the H-bonding between phenolic hydroxy group and phosphoryl group slightly destabilized the transition state for the C-C bond formation step ($\Delta\Delta G = +0.3 \text{ kcal mol}^{-1}$ by the H-bonding). In contrast, this H-bonding highly stabilized the transition state for the C-O bond formation step ($\Delta\Delta G = +1.1 \text{ kcal mol}^{-1}$ by lack of the H-bonding).

Table S3. Molecular geometries and energies



TS-1a' +10.1 kcal mol⁻¹
H-bond-assisted version of ***TS-1a***
($\Delta\Delta G = +0.3 \text{ kcal mol}^{-1}$)



TS-2a' +12.5 kcal mol⁻¹
non H-bonding version of ***TS-2a***
($\Delta\Delta G = +1.1 \text{ kcal mol}^{-1}$)

| <i>TS-1a'</i> | | | | | <i>TS-2a'</i> | | | | |
|---------------|--------|-------------------------|-----------|----------|---------------|--------|-------------------------|-----------|----------|
| Center | Atomic | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | | Center | Atomic | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
| Number | Number | X | Y | Z | Number | Number | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 2.019763 | -0.265267 | 0.602942 | 1 | 6 | 1.555898 | -0.361830 | 0.514528 |
| 2 | 1 | 1.691810 | -1.071857 | 1.255270 | 2 | 1 | 1.209191 | -0.861228 | 1.419651 |

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| 3 | 6 | 1.151265 | 0.589061 | 0.042496 | 3 | 6 | 0.936995 | 0.871022 | 0.169197 |
| 4 | 1 | 1.529054 | 1.361117 | -0.624865 | 4 | 1 | 1.399577 | 1.481658 | -0.600500 |
| 5 | 6 | -0.306896 | 0.455341 | 0.163596 | 5 | 6 | -0.294132 | 1.151668 | 0.689133 |
| 6 | 1 | -0.616543 | -0.144868 | 1.017895 | 6 | 1 | -0.695497 | 0.460749 | 1.432189 |
| 7 | 6 | -1.134261 | 1.657029 | -0.046918 | 7 | 6 | -1.169829 | 2.250876 | 0.336256 |
| 8 | 6 | -2.340555 | 1.773439 | 0.661194 | 8 | 6 | -2.477180 | 2.240705 | 0.853566 |
| 9 | 6 | -0.778267 | 2.661594 | -0.959376 | 9 | 6 | -0.777184 | 3.289704 | -0.528363 |
| 10 | 6 | -3.165367 | 2.876136 | 0.475987 | 10 | 6 | -3.378230 | 3.243109 | 0.510594 |
| 11 | 1 | -2.624191 | 0.992246 | 1.361662 | 11 | 1 | -2.781094 | 1.436526 | 1.518790 |
| 12 | 6 | -1.614534 | 3.758863 | -1.154869 | 12 | 6 | -1.675863 | 4.293142 | -0.859672 |
| 13 | 1 | 0.144419 | 2.597403 | -1.527123 | 13 | 1 | 0.229971 | 3.318205 | -0.931335 |
| 14 | 6 | -2.804820 | 3.870103 | -0.437935 | 14 | 6 | -2.976667 | 4.269321 | -0.344140 |
| 15 | 1 | -4.088226 | 2.962297 | 1.039874 | 15 | 1 | -4.386612 | 3.227199 | 0.909886 |
| 16 | 1 | -1.332560 | 4.528797 | -1.865139 | 16 | 1 | -1.368956 | 5.097045 | -1.519932 |
| 17 | 1 | -3.450331 | 4.729371 | -0.587777 | 17 | 1 | -3.675134 | 5.056460 | -0.609278 |
| 18 | 6 | 0.283600 | -1.071252 | -1.879052 | 18 | 6 | -0.521253 | -1.626464 | -0.644231 |
| 19 | 6 | -0.955763 | -0.916428 | -1.160192 | 19 | 6 | -1.202337 | -2.329880 | 0.349656 |
| 20 | 6 | 0.532639 | -0.248878 | -3.010134 | 20 | 6 | -1.181979 | -0.819271 | -1.555911 |
| 21 | 6 | -2.072375 | -0.316960 | -1.847921 | 21 | 6 | -2.581550 | -2.230251 | 0.405143 |
| 22 | 1 | -1.171712 | -1.707983 | -0.448307 | 22 | 1 | -0.662573 | -2.940961 | 1.067759 |
| 23 | 6 | -0.512999 | 0.454486 | -3.539840 | 23 | 6 | -2.570633 | -0.710422 | -1.493757 |
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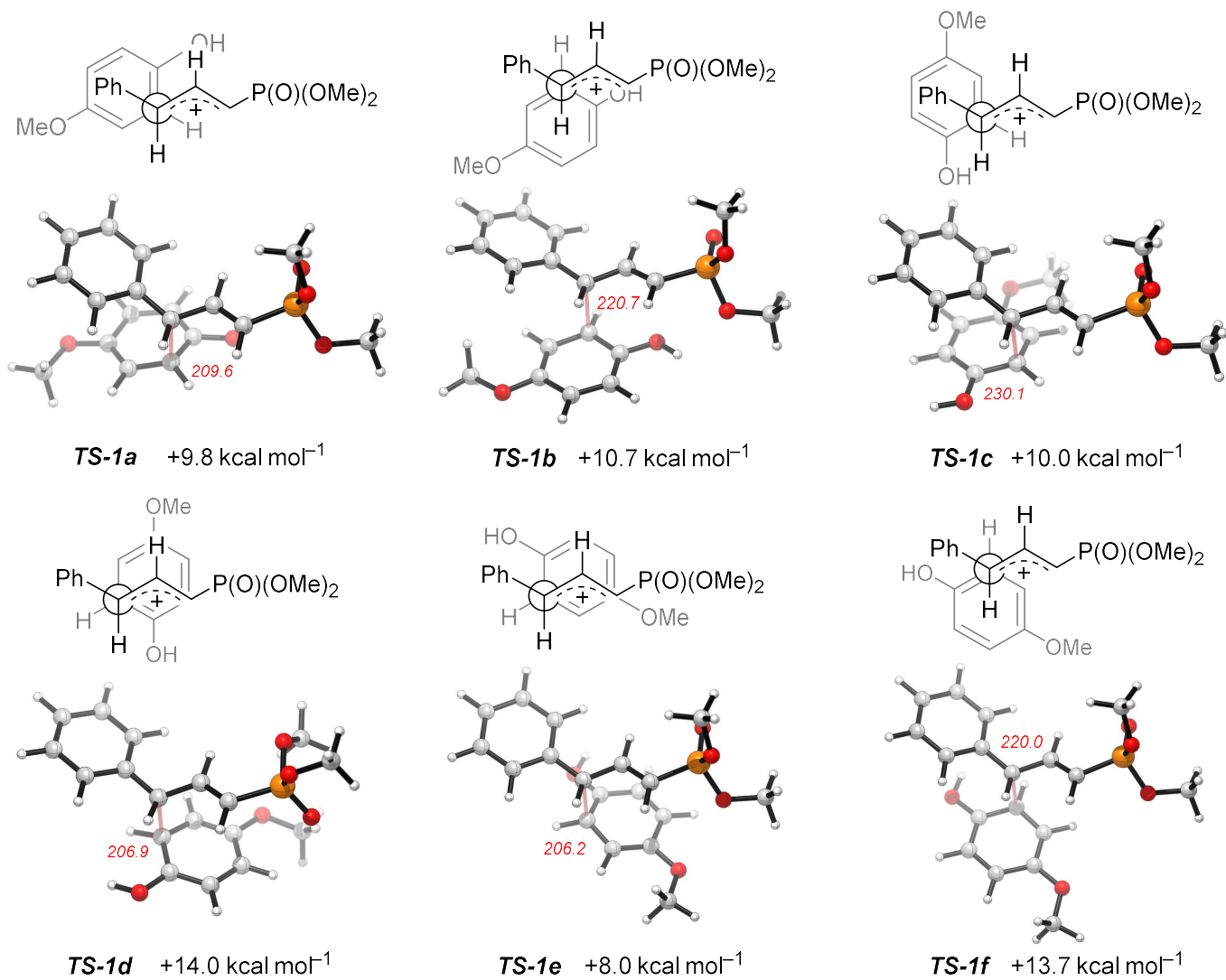
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| 26 | 1 | -3.048229 | -0.358399 | -1.380810 | 26 | 1 | -3.150164 | -2.767275 | 1.156045 |
| 27 | 1 | -0.371119 | 1.064251 | -4.427583 | 27 | 1 | -3.081087 | -0.073526 | -2.204851 |
| 28 | 15 | 3.664753 | -0.373865 | -0.087997 | 28 | 15 | 3.328393 | -0.591348 | 0.136379 |
| 29 | 8 | 4.701958 | -0.916266 | 0.983832 | 29 | 8 | 3.351663 | -2.185622 | 0.095002 |
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| 34 | 1 | 5.128975 | -2.764029 | 0.113836 | 34 | 1 | 4.355792 | -3.933754 | -0.196470 |
| 35 | 1 | 5.912490 | -2.392634 | 1.679524 | 35 | 1 | 4.997891 | -2.551797 | -1.133334 |
| 36 | 6 | 5.347190 | 1.431099 | -0.953530 | 36 | 6 | 4.718891 | 1.027638 | 1.691716 |
| 37 | 1 | 5.383915 | 2.513163 | -1.053594 | 37 | 1 | 5.375179 | 0.901450 | 2.549722 |
| 38 | 1 | 6.172643 | 1.081383 | -0.331431 | 38 | 1 | 5.294151 | 1.289762 | 0.803827 |
| 39 | 1 | 5.376657 | 0.957781 | -1.936393 | 39 | 1 | 3.968764 | 1.792141 | 1.901320 |
| 40 | 8 | 1.149675 | -1.907317 | -1.396150 | 40 | 8 | 0.876879 | -1.589070 | -0.663527 |
| 41 | 1 | 2.126053 | -1.714162 | -1.618407 | 41 | 1 | 1.301905 | -2.447254 | -0.463465 |
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| 43 | 6 | -4.064175 | 1.175153 | -3.143066 | 43 | 6 | -5.352329 | -0.498512 | -1.201489 |
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| 45 | 1 | -4.631566 | 1.813327 | -3.816905 | 45 | 1 | -6.389375 | -0.585925 | -0.884047 |
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| Zero-point correction= 0.375113 (Hartree/Particle) | Zero-point correction= 0.376148 (Hartree/Particle) |
| Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -1415.610034 | Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -1415.604164 |
| Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -1415.609090 | Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -1415.603220 |
| Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -1415.689633 | Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -1415.685735 |

Conformational flexibility of the transition states and Eyringkinetic analysis

To consider conformational influence to the reaction outcome, approaching direction of *p*-methoxyphenol was examined. Conformational varieties of *p*-methoxyphenol and dimethyl phosphonate moiety have been fixed. As shown in Table S4, six possibilities were considered for the transition states of the C-C bond forming step. Gibbs energies differences were calculated from the value of **INT-1a**. For the C-O bond forming reaction, two possibilities keeping the H-bonding was computed (Table S5).

Table S4. Considered transition states, molecular geometries and energies



*TS-1b**TS-1c*

| Center | Atomic | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | | Center | Atomic | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
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| 3 | 6 | 0.858445 | 0.806849 | -0.186456 | 3 | 6 | 0.651098 | 0.501097 | -0.387106 |
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| 5 | 6 | -0.565395 | 0.902728 | 0.065545 | 5 | 6 | -0.765688 | 0.698481 | -0.107084 |
| 6 | 1 | -0.932654 | 0.333613 | 0.920154 | 6 | 1 | -1.186446 | 0.085628 | 0.690755 |
| 7 | 6 | -1.327907 | 2.099363 | -0.254190 | 7 | 6 | -1.445652 | 1.928407 | -0.387401 |
| 8 | 6 | -2.467097 | 2.383648 | 0.521409 | 8 | 6 | -2.602413 | 2.239397 | 0.366625 |
| 9 | 6 | -0.958261 | 2.978126 | -1.288632 | 9 | 6 | -1.010231 | 2.829697 | -1.383791 |
| 10 | 6 | -3.211926 | 3.530637 | 0.280614 | 10 | 6 | -3.277201 | 3.427082 | 0.153807 |
| 11 | 1 | -2.750467 | 1.705696 | 1.322340 | 11 | 1 | -2.939299 | 1.544504 | 1.131418 |
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| 13 | 1 | -0.092746 | 2.768580 | -1.909294 | 13 | 1 | -0.134465 | 2.607849 | -1.984248 |
| 14 | 6 | -2.837755 | 4.395080 | -0.750319 | 14 | 6 | -2.827812 | 4.314970 | -0.833907 |
| 15 | 1 | -4.080851 | 3.752069 | 0.890781 | 15 | 1 | -4.150294 | 3.671998 | 0.748275 |
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| 20 | 6 | -1.377959 | -0.539655 | -1.394039 | 20 | 6 | -1.507671 | -0.846243 | -1.642178 |
| 21 | 6 | -2.529997 | -2.286766 | 0.441544 | 21 | 6 | -2.980824 | 0.946097 | -3.154029 |
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| 6 | 1 | -0.963781 | 0.197217 | 0.872986 |
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| 8 | 6 | -2.350655 | 2.391635 | 0.623353 |
| 9 | 6 | -0.867287 | 2.927892 | -1.231261 |
| 10 | 6 | -2.975335 | 3.622942 | 0.482163 |
| 11 | 1 | -2.680388 | 1.696078 | 1.390851 |
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| 19 | 6 | -1.426358 | -2.664351 | -0.094343 |

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| 23 | 1 | -1.039508 | -0.114541 | -2.303008 |
| 24 | 6 | -3.366952 | -1.184862 | -0.043353 |
| 25 | 1 | -3.185533 | -2.916536 | 1.170649 |
| 26 | 15 | 3.350808 | -0.295967 | 0.057249 |
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| 28 | 8 | 4.115749 | 0.159983 | 1.389623 |
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| 41 | 1 | -4.357098 | -0.930594 | 0.317658 |

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| 43 | 6 | -1.389331 | -4.675614 | 1.188934 |
| 44 | 1 | -2.327585 | -5.048742 | 0.766583 |
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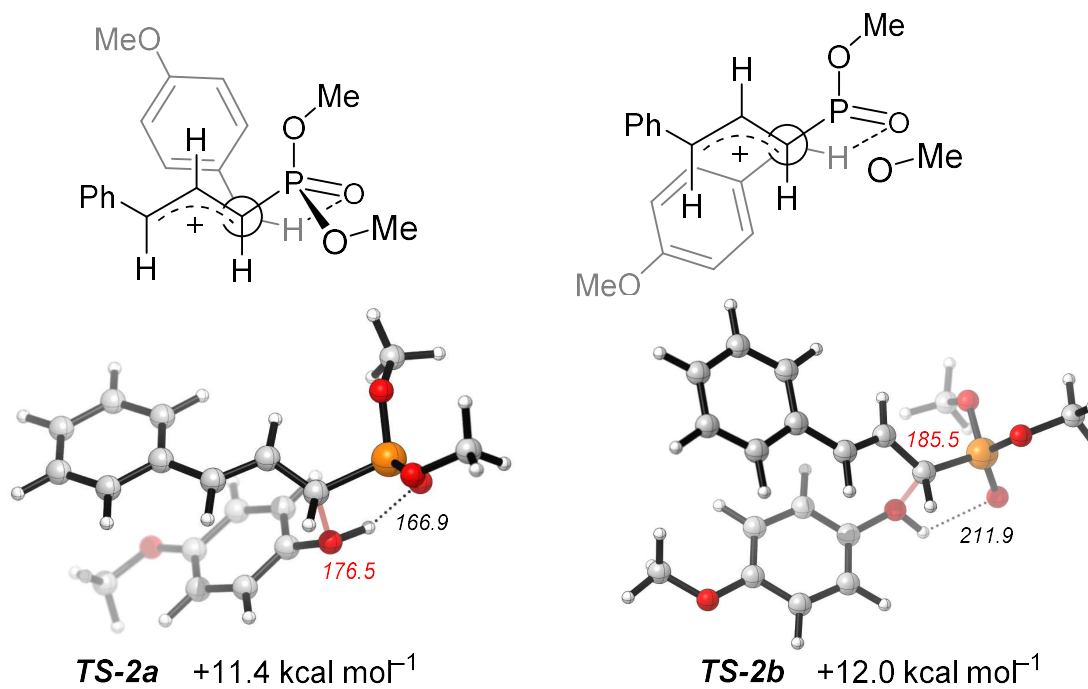
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Table S5. Considered transition states, molecular geometries and energies



TS-2b

| Center | Atomic | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|--------|--------|-------------------------|-----------|----------|
| Number | Number | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 2.252806 | -0.962805 | 0.934992 |
| 2 | 1 | 2.212846 | -1.697762 | 1.739395 |
| 3 | 6 | 1.266789 | 0.056521 | 0.933684 |
| 4 | 1 | 1.395935 | 0.910171 | 0.275124 |

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|----|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 5 | 6 | 0.117124 | -0.157273 | 1.640998 |
| 6 | 1 | 0.069163 | -1.056697 | 2.257085 |
| 7 | 6 | -1.080648 | 0.657235 | 1.643375 |
| 8 | 6 | -2.219065 | 0.149389 | 2.293957 |
| 9 | 6 | -1.155669 | 1.902200 | 0.990786 |
| 10 | 6 | -3.412157 | 0.863744 | 2.285434 |
| 11 | 1 | -2.160898 | -0.812006 | 2.797740 |
| 12 | 6 | -2.344727 | 2.616374 | 0.993839 |
| 13 | 1 | -0.284270 | 2.314522 | 0.492288 |
| 14 | 6 | -3.473999 | 2.096832 | 1.636677 |
| 15 | 1 | -4.288200 | 0.464522 | 2.785026 |
| 16 | 1 | -2.398630 | 3.578954 | 0.496958 |
| 17 | 1 | -4.401809 | 2.659706 | 1.632565 |
| 18 | 6 | 0.456654 | -2.645408 | -0.226724 |
| 19 | 6 | -0.588285 | -1.937590 | -0.800004 |
| 20 | 6 | 0.232299 | -3.735275 | 0.616121 |
| 21 | 6 | -1.903526 | -2.322722 | -0.542885 |
| 22 | 1 | -0.372223 | -1.085481 | -1.436428 |
| 23 | 6 | -1.072457 | -4.125861 | 0.861224 |
| 24 | 1 | 1.062482 | -4.268656 | 1.070499 |
| 25 | 6 | -2.146612 | -3.414126 | 0.297082 |
| 26 | 1 | -2.714381 | -1.761157 | -0.989090 |

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|----|----|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 27 | 1 | -1.289538 | -4.973868 | 1.501131 |
| 28 | 15 | 3.926044 | -0.713931 | 0.245370 |
| 29 | 8 | 4.658665 | -0.111915 | 1.505038 |
| 30 | 8 | 3.830548 | 0.512675 | -0.760769 |
| 31 | 8 | 4.415194 | -1.985503 | -0.347736 |
| 32 | 6 | 6.048480 | 0.291627 | 1.421346 |
| 33 | 1 | 6.151436 | 1.096964 | 0.692899 |
| 34 | 1 | 6.313247 | 0.643248 | 2.415160 |
| 35 | 1 | 6.664082 | -0.565373 | 1.145207 |
| 36 | 6 | 3.560889 | 0.287937 | -2.163943 |
| 37 | 1 | 3.801120 | 1.221603 | -2.667181 |
| 38 | 1 | 4.187027 | -0.521931 | -2.539100 |
| 39 | 1 | 2.504097 | 0.047029 | -2.299992 |
| 40 | 8 | 1.738024 | -2.127883 | -0.414213 |
| 41 | 1 | 2.459481 | -2.787600 | -0.501607 |
| 42 | 8 | -3.377374 | -3.856832 | 0.628403 |
| 43 | 6 | -4.500726 | -3.143621 | 0.125831 |
| 44 | 1 | -4.527833 | -3.180583 | -0.967647 |
| 45 | 1 | -5.377111 | -3.645294 | 0.530965 |
| 46 | 1 | -4.480552 | -2.102033 | 0.464009 |

E(RM062X) = -1416.00578811

Zero-point correction=0.376086 (Hartree/Particle)

Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -1415.605272

Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -1415.604327

Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -1415.686608

Based on all the transition states, the total kinetic constant k_{total} for each C-C and C-O bond forming step was calculated according to the Eyring equation (Eqns. 1 and 2).

$$k_{\text{total}} = k_a + k_b \cdots + k_n \quad \cdots \text{ (Eqn. 1)}$$

$$\Delta G_{\text{total}}^{\ddagger} = RT \cdot \ln \left(\frac{k_B \cdot T}{k_{\text{total}} \cdot h} \right) \quad \cdots \text{ (Eqn. 1)}$$

where k_B is Boltzmann constant ($1.38065 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J K}^{-1}$), T is temperature (298.15 K), h is Planck's constant ($6.62607 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J s}$), and R is gas constant ($8.31447 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$).

Table S7. ΔG_{298} of transition states and their Boltzmann weights

| TS-1 | ΔG^{\ddagger} | $k (\times 10^4 \text{ s}^{-1})$ | TS-2 | ΔG^{\ddagger} | $k (\times 10^4 \text{ s}^{-1})$ |
|-------|---------------------------|----------------------------------|-------|---------------------------|----------------------------------|
| | (kcal mol ⁻¹) | | | (kcal mol ⁻¹) | |
| TS-1a | 10.7 | 8.96 | TS-2a | 11.4 | 2.56 |
| TS-1b | 9.8 | 39.8 | TS-2b | 12.0 | 0.992 |
| TS-1c | 10.0 | 29.6 | | | |
| TS-1d | 14.0 | 0.0347 | | | |
| TS-1e | 8.0 | 824 | | | |
| TS-1f | 13.7 | 0.0547 | | | |
| Total | 7.96 | 902 | | 11.2 | 3.56 |

Natural bond orbital (NBO) calculation

To study atomic charges of each atom in the allyl cation intermediate, NBO calculation was conducted by using *NBO7.0* package program. As shown in Figure S148, NPA (natural population analysis) charges of C3 and C1 atoms were $+0.10 e$ and $-0.43 e$, respectively. Interatomic distances and NLMO (natural localization molecular orbital)/NPA bond orders, which is a covalent bond order in the NBO theory, clearly demonstrate a pronounced double bond character of the C1–C2 bond rather than the C2–C3 bond. From these theoretical results, we have concluded that the larger positive charge of C3 atom also contributes to the γ -selectivity observed in the experiments.

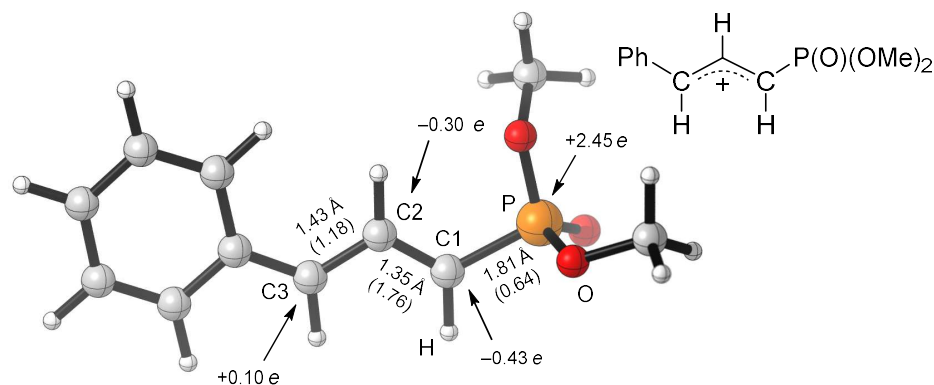


Figure S148. Considered transition states, molecular geometries and energies

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