
Supporting Information for:

Practical, environment-benign and atom economic KOAc-catalysed deprotection of aryl TIPS ethers under mild fluoride-free conditions.

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General Information. All ^1H NMR spectra were recorded at ambient temperature in CDCl_3 (500 MHz) unless otherwise stated. All ^{13}C NMR spectra were recorded at ambient temperature in CDCl_3 (125 MHz). Chemical shifts are reported in parts per million as follows: chemical shift, multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet, br = broad), integration, and coupling constant. Melting points were uncorrected.

Procedure for large-scale reaction without chromatography (unoptimized):

To a solution of ethyl 4-(triisopropylsilyloxy)benzoate (15.3 g, 47.5 mmol) in $\text{DMF}-\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (20:1, 50 mL) was added KOAc (466 mg, 4.8 mmol) and water (0.9 mL, 1 equiv to substrate), and stirring was continued for 7 h at 25 °C. The mixture was concentrated on a rotavap (bath temp 50 °C) to remove DMF (~90% recovery). The remaining oil was bulb-to-bulb distilled (bath temp 75 °C/1–2 mmHg) to recover TIPSOH (6.5 g, 79% yield), the cooled residue was taken up in $\text{EtOAc}-\text{Et}_2\text{O}$ (1:1, 30 mL) and filtered to remove KOAc (reusable); the filtrate was concentrated. The crude product was triturated with hexane to afford ethyl 4-hydroxybenzoate (7.0 g, 89%) as white crystals (m.p.: 113–118 °C, lit. 115–118 °C). The recovered KOAc gave negative results for FeCl_3 -test of phenols.

Optimal purification procedure for an individual product should take into consideration of the physical property and stability of the compound concerned. The above procedure is a proof-of-concept and does not recommend recovering the cheap catalyst.

Characterization data of new compounds.

Compound 1c:

^1H NMR (CDCl_3) δ 6.70 (d, 2H, J = 8.5 Hz), 6.56 (d, 2H, J = 8.5 Hz), 3.39 (s br, 2H), 1.20 (septet, 3H, J = 7.0 Hz), 1.08 (d, 18H, J = 7.0 Hz).

^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3) δ 148.7, 140.0, 120.4, 116.3, 17.9, 12.6.

HR-ESI-MS m/z Calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{28}\text{NOSi}$ ($M + \text{H}^+$) 266.1940, Found 266.1935.

Compound 1d:

M.p.: 54.5–55.0 °C.

^1H NMR (CDCl_3) δ 7.18 (d br, 2H, J = 8.5 Hz), 6.80 (d, 2H, J = 8.5 Hz), 6.32 (s br, 1H), 1.50 (s, 9H), 1.22 (septet, 3H, J = 7.0 Hz), 1.08 (d, 18H, J = 7.0 Hz).

^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3) δ 153.1, 151.9, 131.6, 120.0 (2C), 80.1, 28.4, 17.9, 12.6

HR-ESI-MS m/z Calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{36}\text{NO}_3\text{Si}$ ($M + \text{H}^+$) 366.2464, Found 366.2438.

Compound 1e:

^1H NMR (CDCl_3) δ 6.74 (s, 2H), 2.21 (s, 6H), 2.20 (s, 3H), 1.30 (septet, 3H, J = 8.0 Hz), 1.11 (d, 18H, J = 8.0 Hz).

^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3) δ 151.1, 129.9, 129.3, 127.6, 20.4, 18.1, 17.8, 14.2.

HR-ESI-MS m/z Calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{33}\text{OSi}$ ($M + \text{H}^+$) 293.2301, Found 293.2335.

Compound 1h:

^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 300 MHz) δ 7.80–7.76 (m, 1H), 7.46–7.39 (m, 1H), 7.05–6.95 (m, 2H), 1.34

(septet, 3H, $J = 7.5$ Hz), 1.12 (d, 18H, $J = 7.2$ Hz).

^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3) δ 149.5, 133.5, 125.4, 121.4, 120.5, 17.8, 12.9.

HR-ESI-MS m/z Calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{26}\text{NO}_3\text{Si}$ ($M + \text{H}^+$) 296.1682, Found 296.1672.

Compound 1o:

^1H NMR (CDCl_3) δ 7.58 (d, 1H, $J = 5.6$ Hz), 6.30 (d, 1H, $J = 5.5$ Hz), 2.34 (s, 3H), 1.36 (septet, 3H, $J = 7.5$ Hz), 1.07 (d, 18H, $J = 7.5$ Hz).

^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3) δ 173.8, 153.9, 152.6, 143.4, 115.4, 18.2, 14.8, 14.2.

HR-ESI-MS m/z Calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{27}\text{O}_3\text{Si}$ ($M + \text{H}^+$) 283.1729, Found 283.1732.

Compound 1p:

^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 300 MHz) δ 7.16 (d, 2H, $J = 8.1$ Hz), 6.84 (d, 2H, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 4.67 (s, 2H), 1.24 (septet, 3H, $J = 7.5$ Hz), 1.10 (d, 18H, $J = 6.9$ Hz), 0.92 (s, 9H), 0.08 (s, 6H).

^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3) δ 155.0, 133.8, 127.4, 119.6, 64.8, 26.0, 18.4, 17.9, 12.7, -5.2.

HR-ESI-MS m/z Calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{42}\text{O}_2\text{Si}_2\text{Na}$ ($M + \text{Na}^+$) 417.2621, Found 417.2656.

Compound 1q:

^1H NMR (CDCl_3) δ 7.23 (d, 2H, $J = 8.6$ Hz), 6.81 (d, 2H, $J = 8.6$ Hz), 6.50 (d, 1H, $J = 15.8$ Hz), 6.13 (dt, 1H, $J = 15.8, 5.4$ Hz), 4.32 (d, 2H, $J = 5.4$ Hz), 1.25 (septet, 3H, $J = 7.0$ Hz), 1.09 (d, 18H, $J = 7.0$ Hz), 0.93 (s, 9H), 0.10 (s, 6H).

^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3) δ 155.6, 130.2, 129.3, 127.5, 126.9, 119.9, 64.1, 26.0, 18.5, 17.9, 12.7, -5.1.

HR-ESI-MS m/z Calcd for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{45}\text{O}_2\text{Si}_2$ ($M + \text{H}^+$) 421.2958, Found 421.2945.

Compound 1r:

^1H NMR (CDCl_3) δ 7.71 (m, 4H), 7.41 (m, 2H), 7.35 (m, 4H), 6.96 (t, 1H, $J = 8.2$ Hz), 6.47 (ddd, 1H, $J = 8.0, 2.0, 1.0$ Hz), 6.41 (ddd, 1H, $J = 8.0, 2.5, 1.0$ Hz), 6.20 (t, 1H, $J = 2.5$ Hz), 1.08 (s, 9H), 0.94–0.88 (m, 21H).

^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3) δ 156.7, 156.5, 135.5, 133.0, 129.8, 129.4, 127.7, 113.2, 112.8, 111.5, 26.5, 19.4, 17.8, 12.4.

Compound 1t:

^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 300 MHz) δ 7.21 (t, 1H, $J = 7.5$ Hz), 6.95–6.80 (m, 3H), 5.05 (s, 2H), 2.11 (s, 3H), 1.26 (septet, 3H, $J = 7.2$ Hz), 1.10 (d, 18H, $J = 7.2$ Hz).

^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3) δ 170.7, 156.2, 137.3, 129.4, 120.6, 119.5, 66.0, 20.9, 17.8, 12.6.

HR-ESI-MS m/z Calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{30}\text{O}_3\text{SiNa}$ ($M + \text{Na}^+$) 345.1862, Found 345.1876.

Compound 1u:

^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 300 MHz) δ 7.18 (t, 1H, $J = 8.1$ Hz), 6.95–6.87 (m, 2H), 6.80 (m, 1H), 4.76–4.46 (AB, 2H, $J_{\text{AB}} = 12.3$ Hz), 4.69 (t-like, 1H, $J = 3.3$ Hz), 3.92 (m, 1H), 3.54 (m, 1H), 1.95–1.40 (m, 6H), 1.24 (septet, 3H, $J = 7.2$ Hz), 1.10 (d, 18H, $J = 6.9$ Hz).

^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3) δ 156.1, 139.9, 129.2, 120.2, 119.1, 118.9, 97.5, 68.4, 62.1, 30.6, 25.5, 19.3, 17.9, 12.7.

HR-ESI-MS m/z Calcd for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{36}\text{O}_3\text{SiNa}$ ($M + \text{Na}^+$) 387.2331, Found 387.2346.

Compound **1v**:

^1H NMR (CDCl_3) δ 7.22 (t, 1H, J = 7.8 Hz), 7.04 (d, 1H, J = 7.6 Hz), 6.99 (m, 1H), 6.87 (m, 1H), 5.78 (s, 1H), 4.12–4.06 (m, 2H), 4.05–3.98 (m, 2H), 1.26 (septet, 3H, J = 7.0 Hz), 1.09 (d, 18H, J = 7.0 Hz).

^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3) δ 156.0, 139.5, 129.3, 120.4, 118.9, 117.9, 103.5, 65.2, 17.9, 12.7.

HR-ESI-MS m/z Calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{31}\text{O}_3\text{Si}$ ($\text{M} + \text{H}^+$) 323.2042, Found 323.2063.

Compound **1w**:

^1H NMR (CDCl_3) δ 7.10 (t, 1H, J = 8.2 Hz), 6.51 (dd, 2H, J = 8.5, 2.2 Hz), 6.47 (m, 1H), 4.16 (dd, 1H, J = 10.9, 3.3 Hz), 3.93 (dd, 1H, J = 10.9, 5.6 Hz), 3.34 (m, 1H), 2.90 (dd, 1H, J = 5.0, 4.3 Hz), 2.75 (dd, 1H, J = 5.0, 2.7 Hz), 1.26 (septet, 3H, J = 7.3 Hz), 1.10 (d, 18H, J = 7.3 Hz).

^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3) δ 159.6, 157.2, 129.7, 113.0, 107.1, 106.9, 68.7, 50.0, 44.8, 17.9, 12.6.

HR-ESI-MS m/z Calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{31}\text{O}_3\text{Si}$ ($\text{M} + \text{H}^+$) 323.2042, Found 323.2032.

Compound **1x**:

^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 300 MHz) δ 7.01 (d, 2H, J = 8.7 Hz), 6.79 (d, 2H, J = 8.4 Hz), 3.61 (quintet, 1H, J = 5.7 Hz), 2.69–2.46 (m, 2H), 1.80–1.62 (m, 2H), 1.57–1.45 (m, 2H), 1.22 (septet, 3H, J = 6.9 Hz), 1.08 (d, 18H, J = 7.2 Hz), 0.96 (t, 9H, J = 7.5 Hz), 0.88 (t, 3H, J = 7.2 Hz), 0.60 (q, 6H, J = 7.8 Hz).

^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3) δ 153.9, 135.0, 129.0, 119.6, 73.1, 38.6, 31.0, 29.8, 17.9, 12.7, 9.6, 7.0, 5.1.

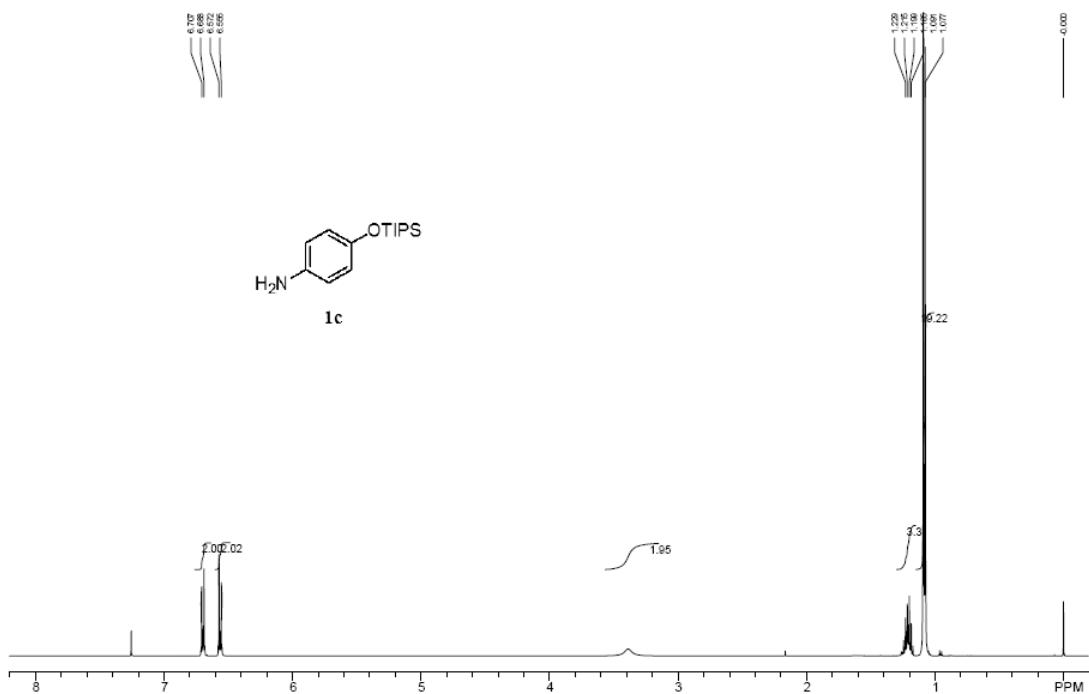
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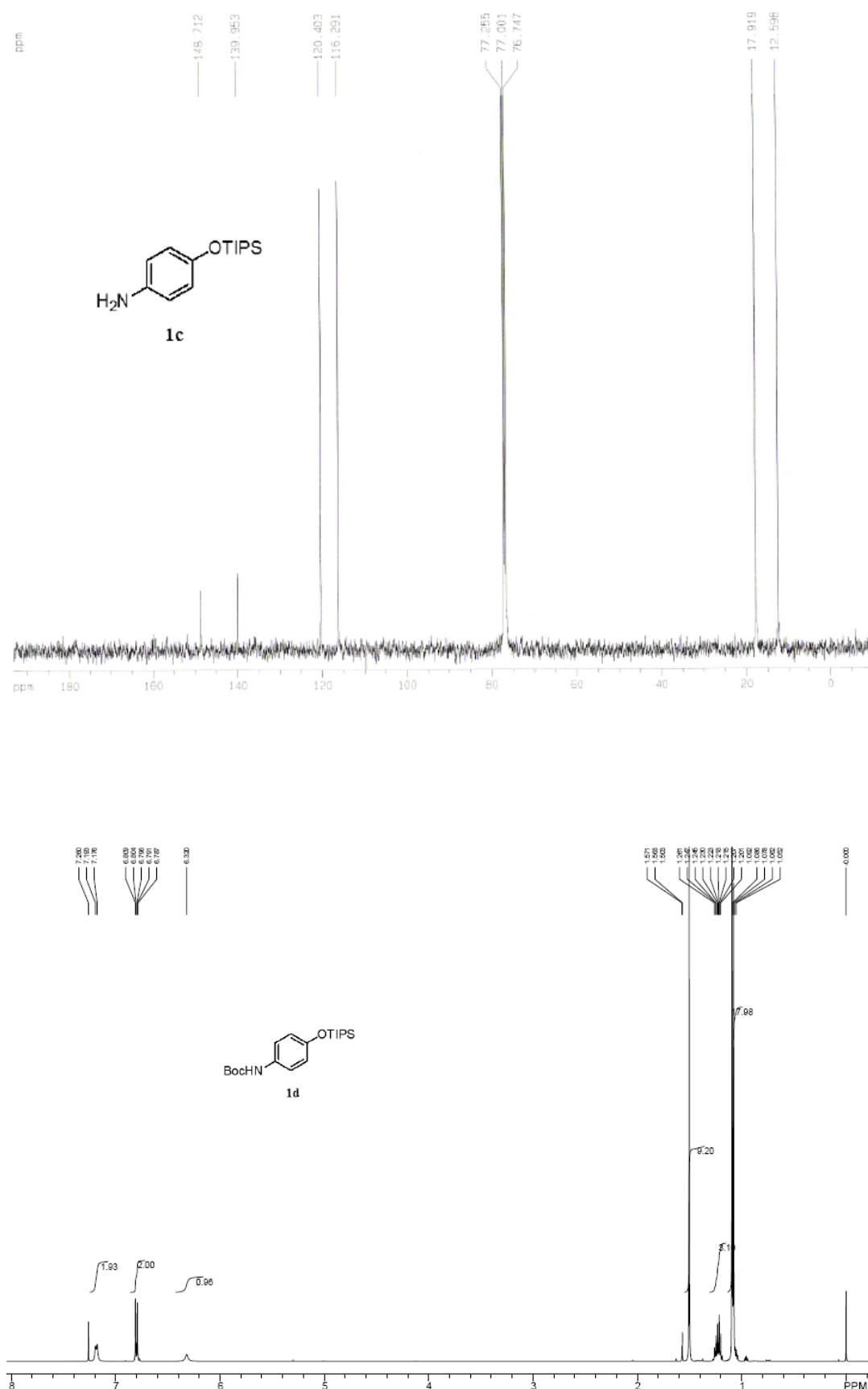
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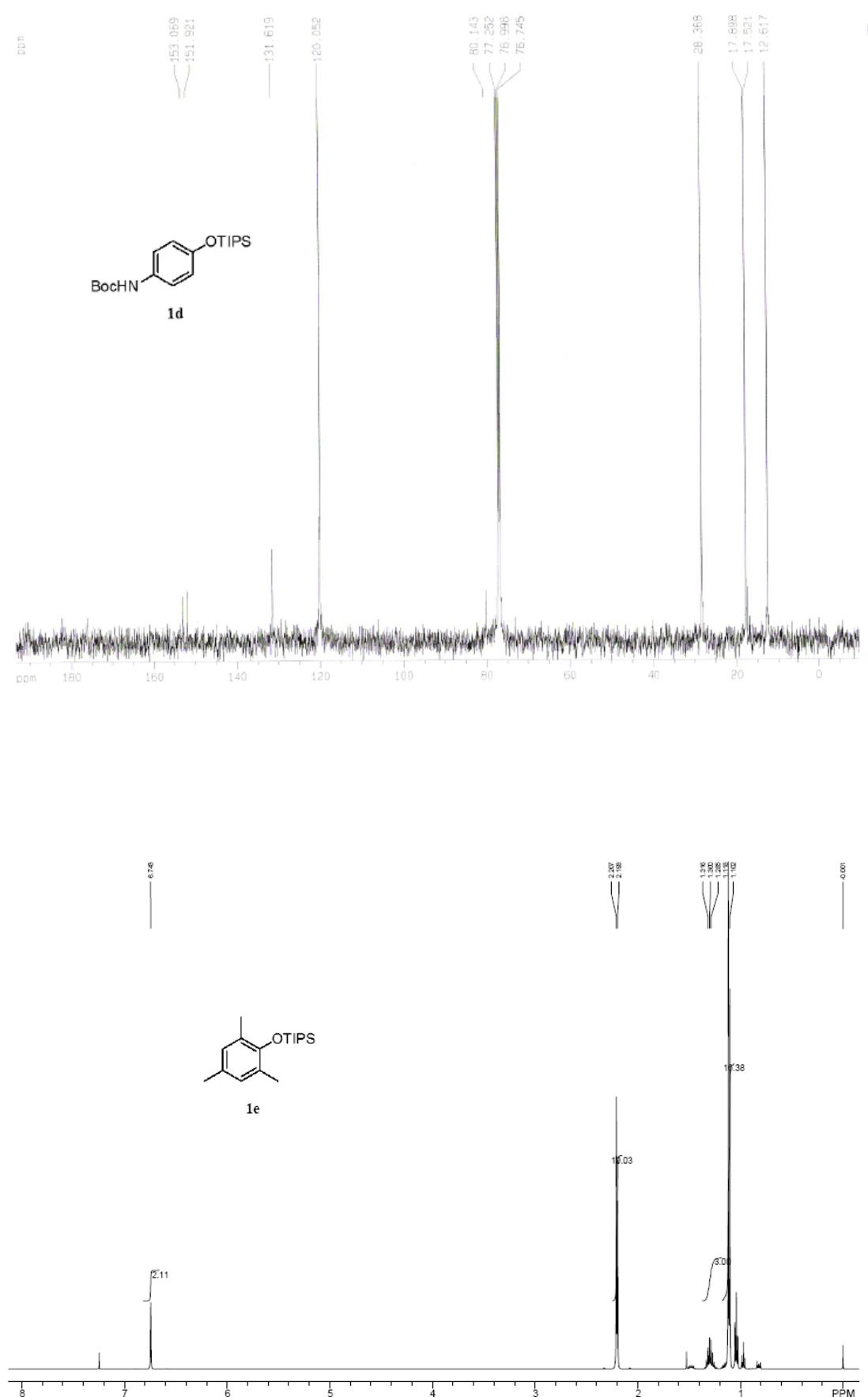
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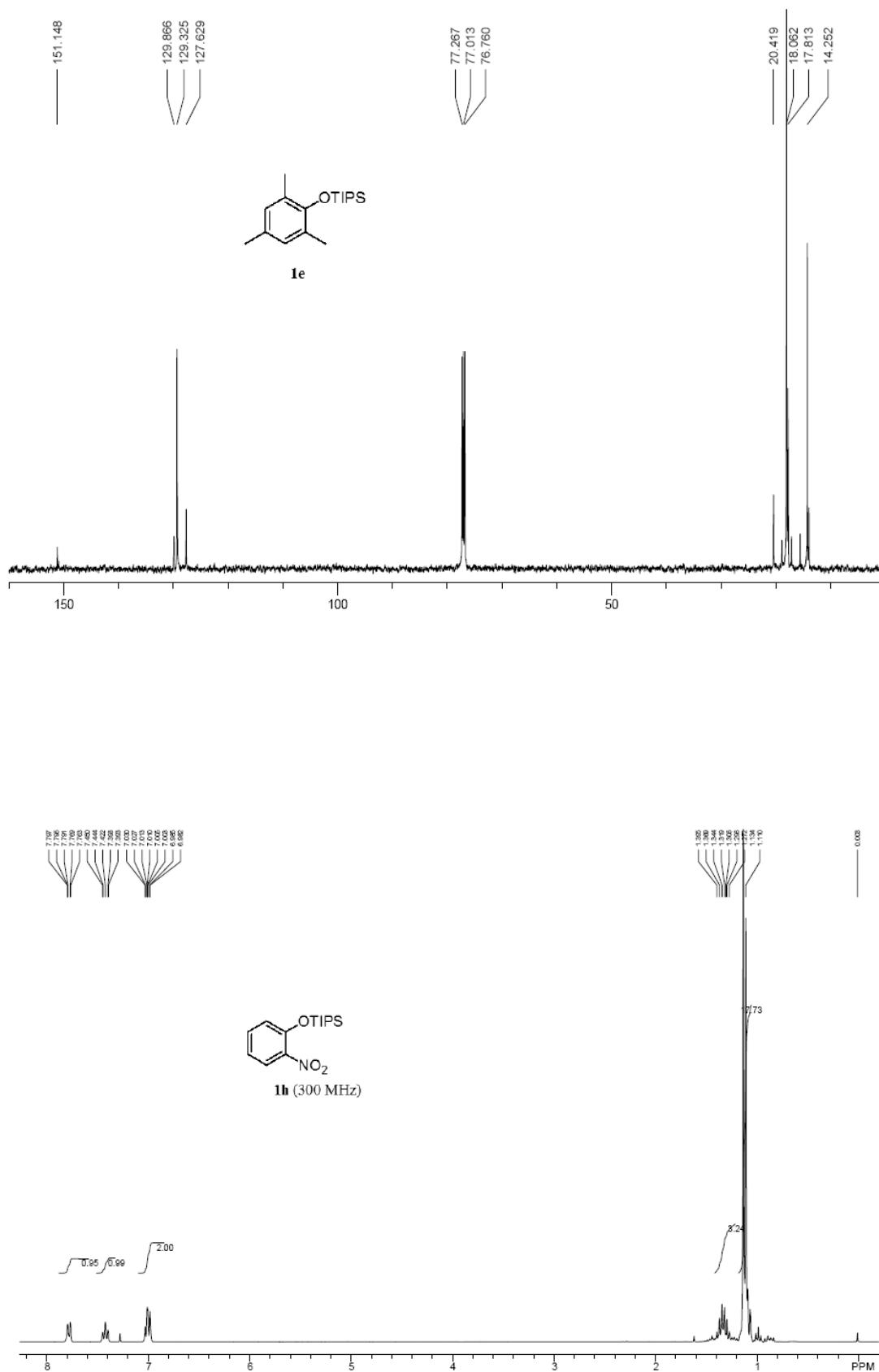
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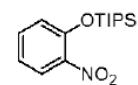
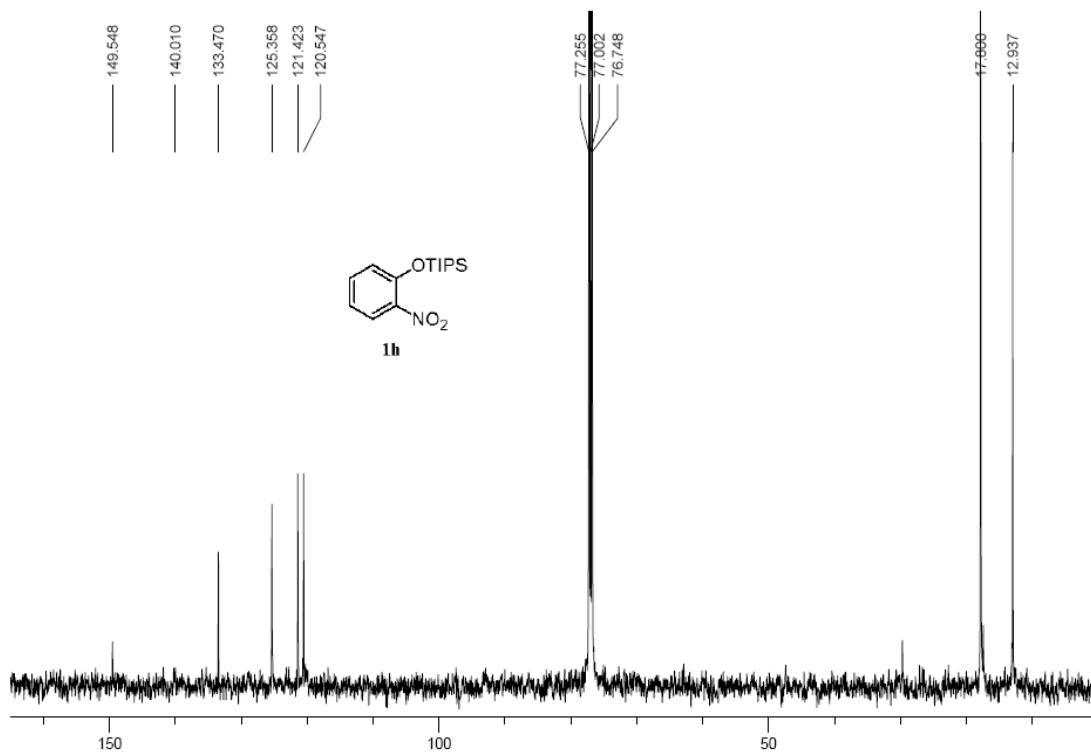
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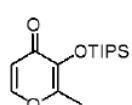
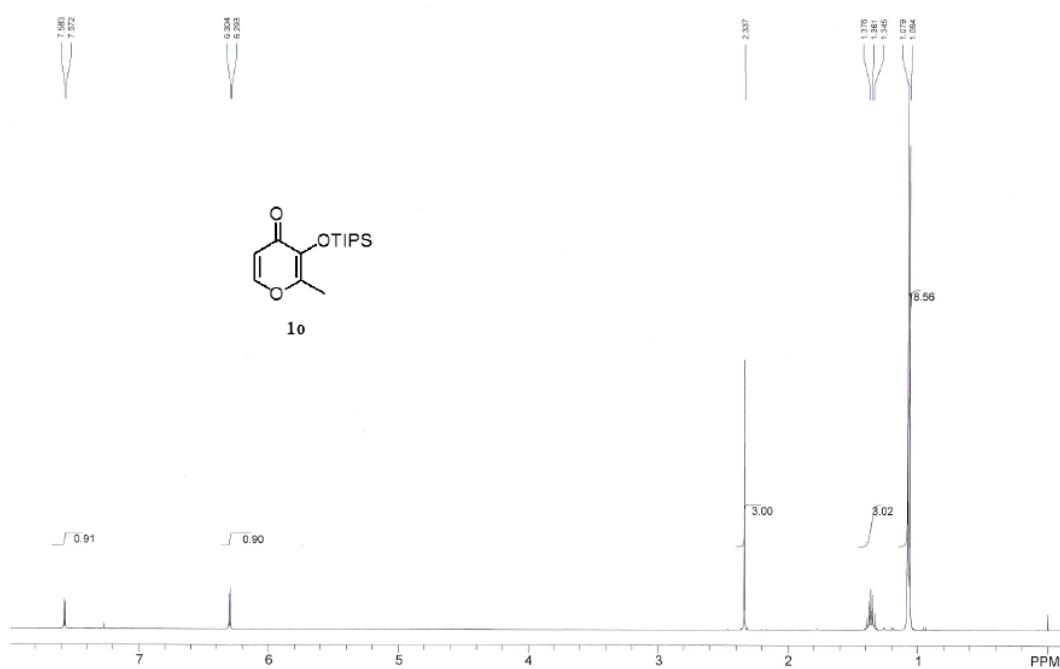




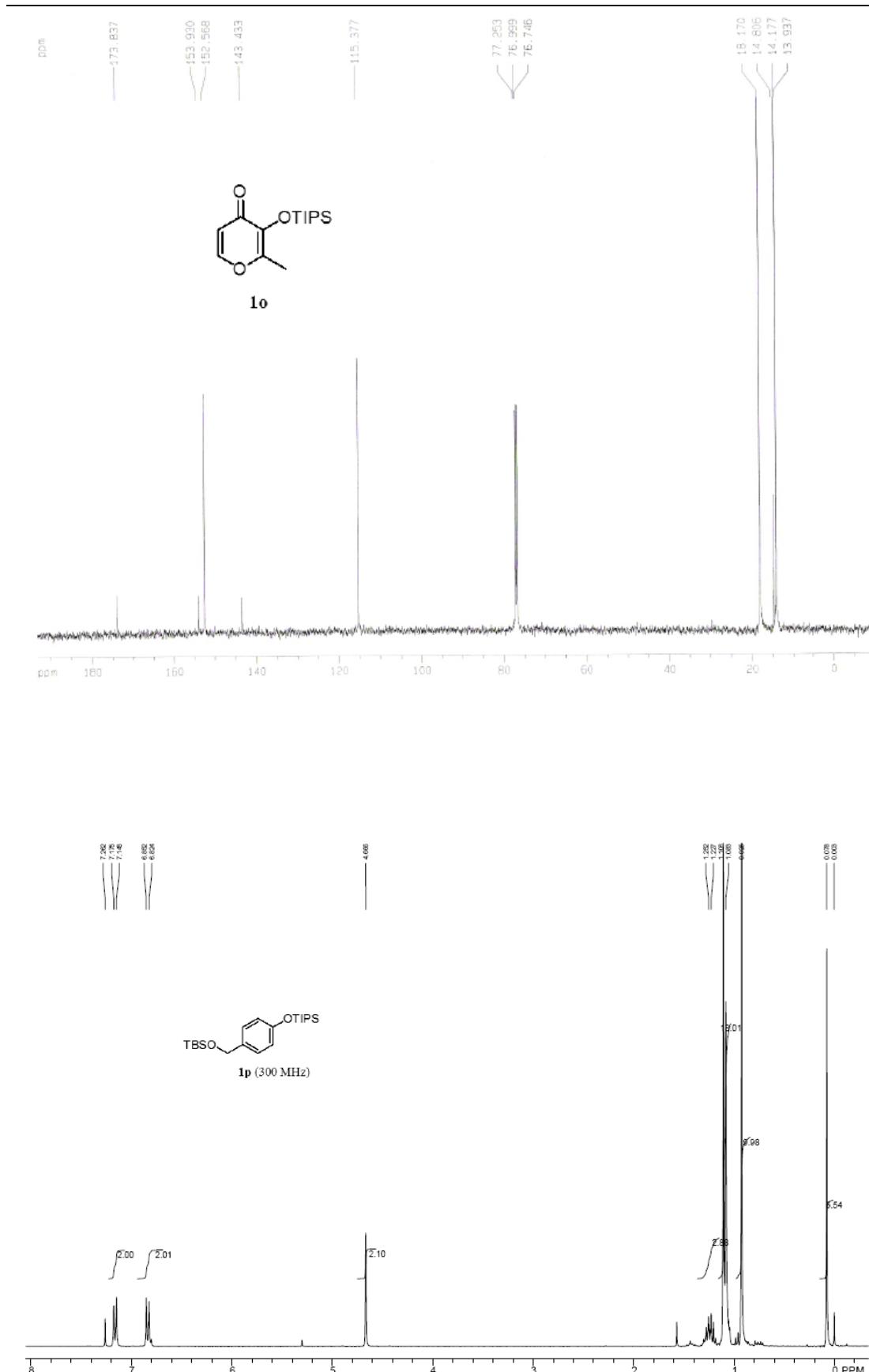


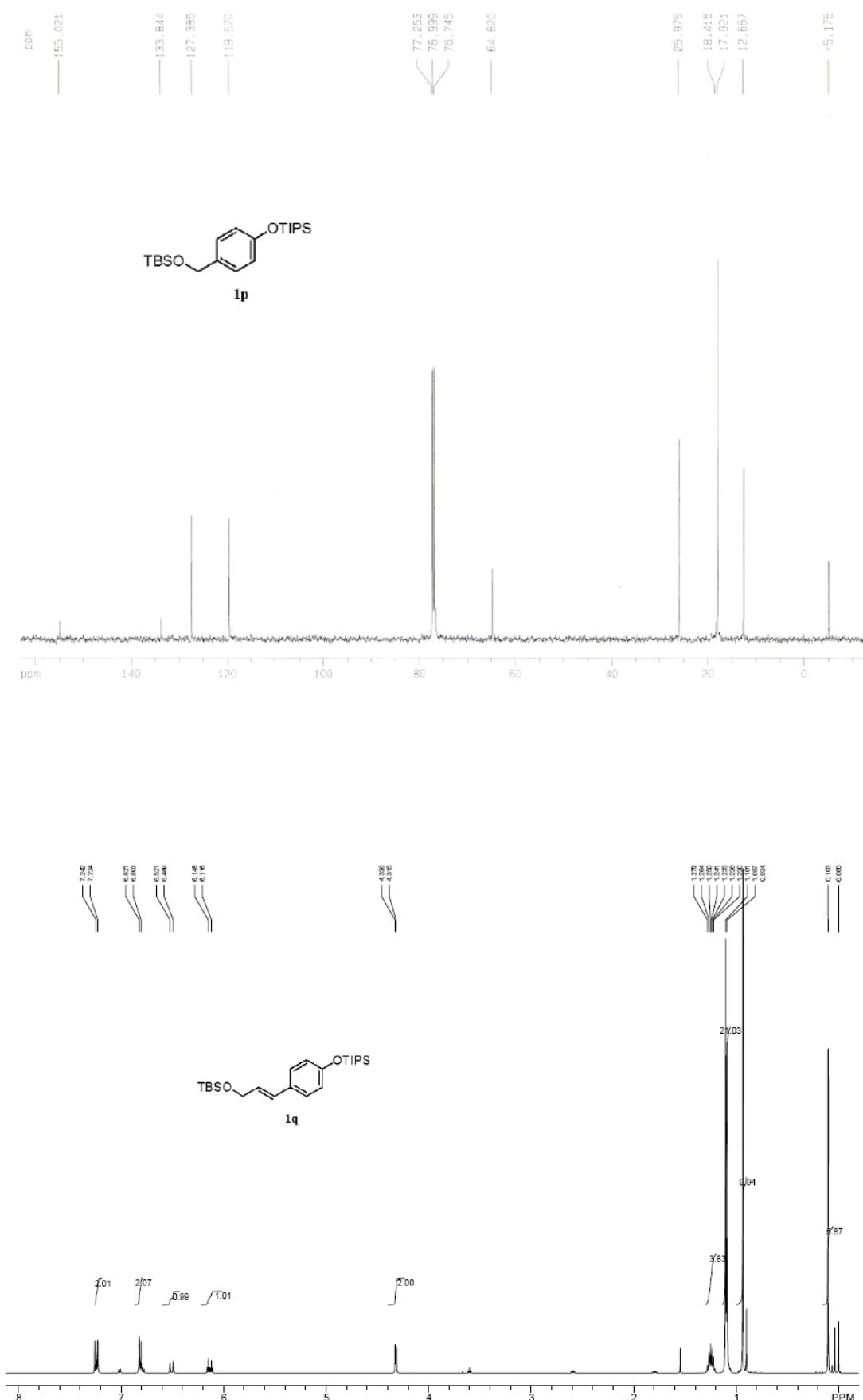


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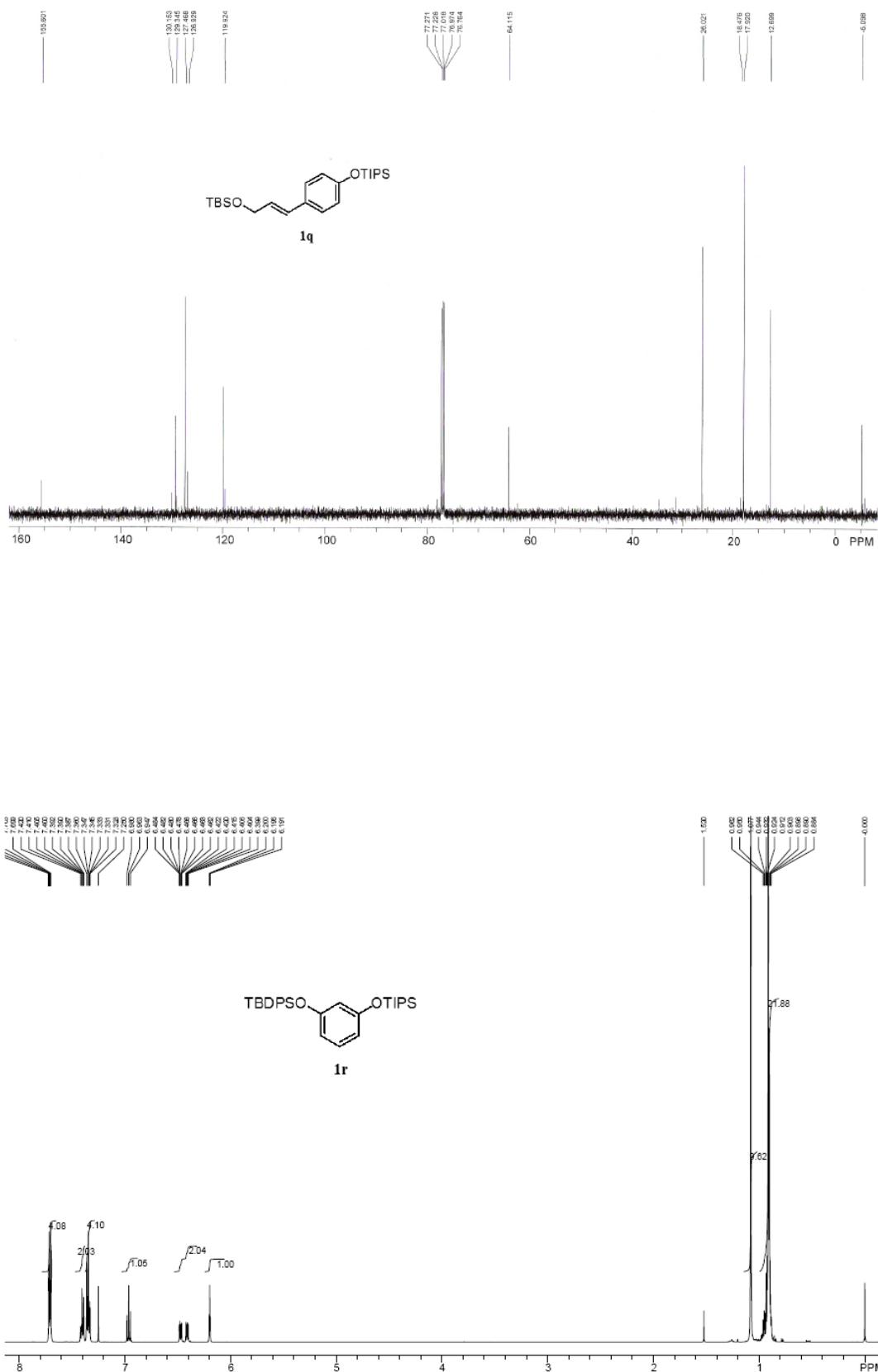


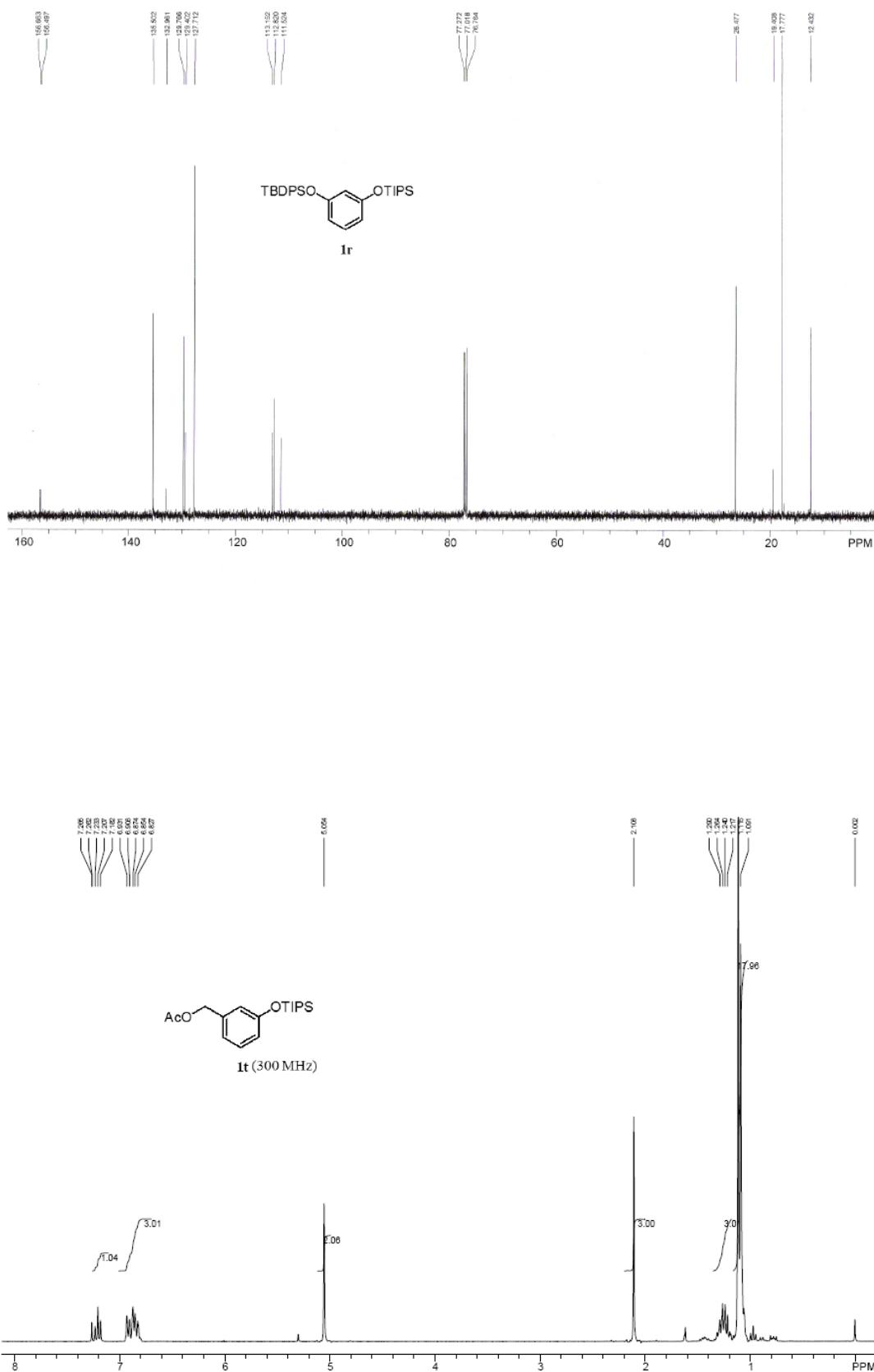
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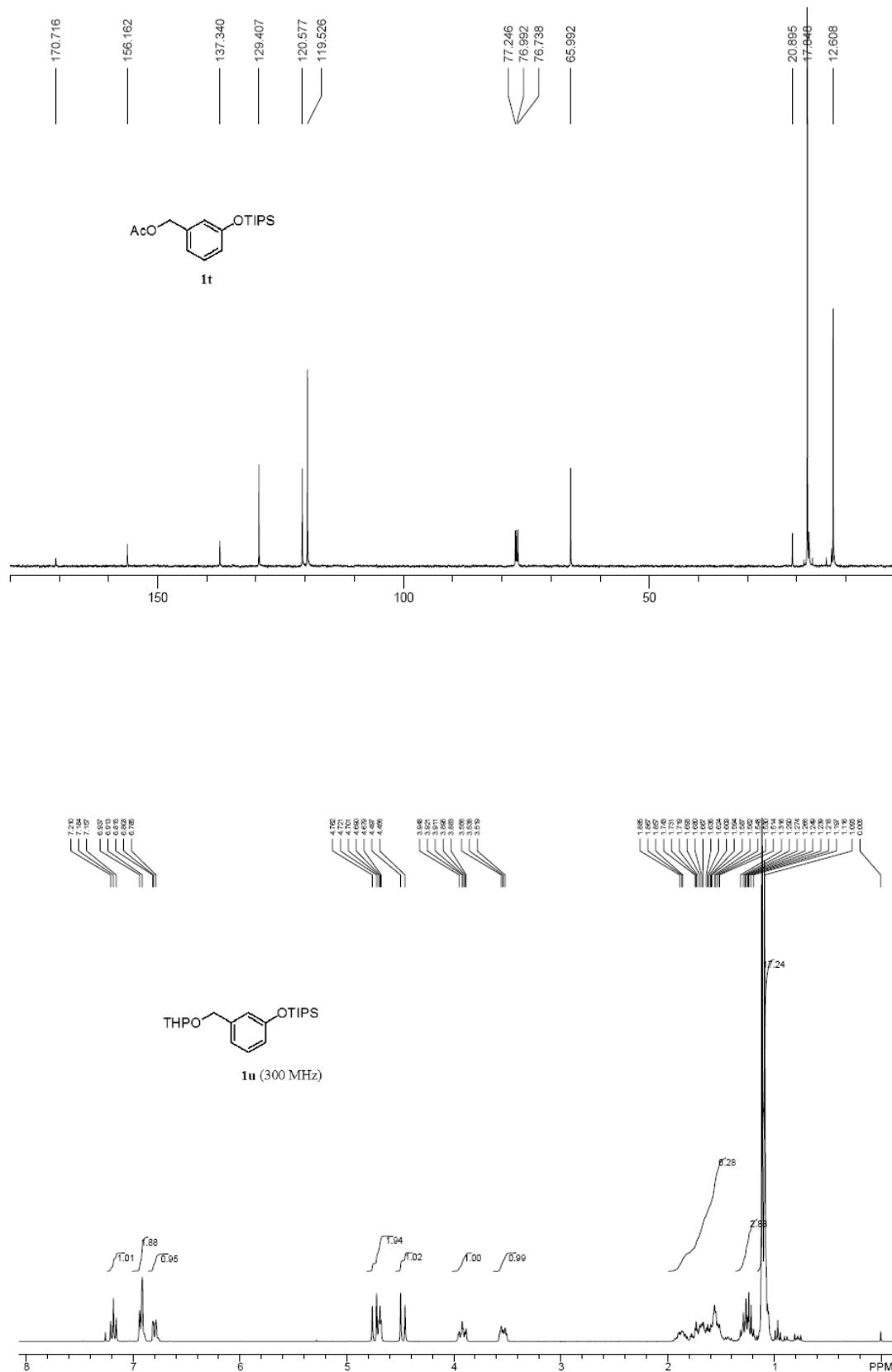


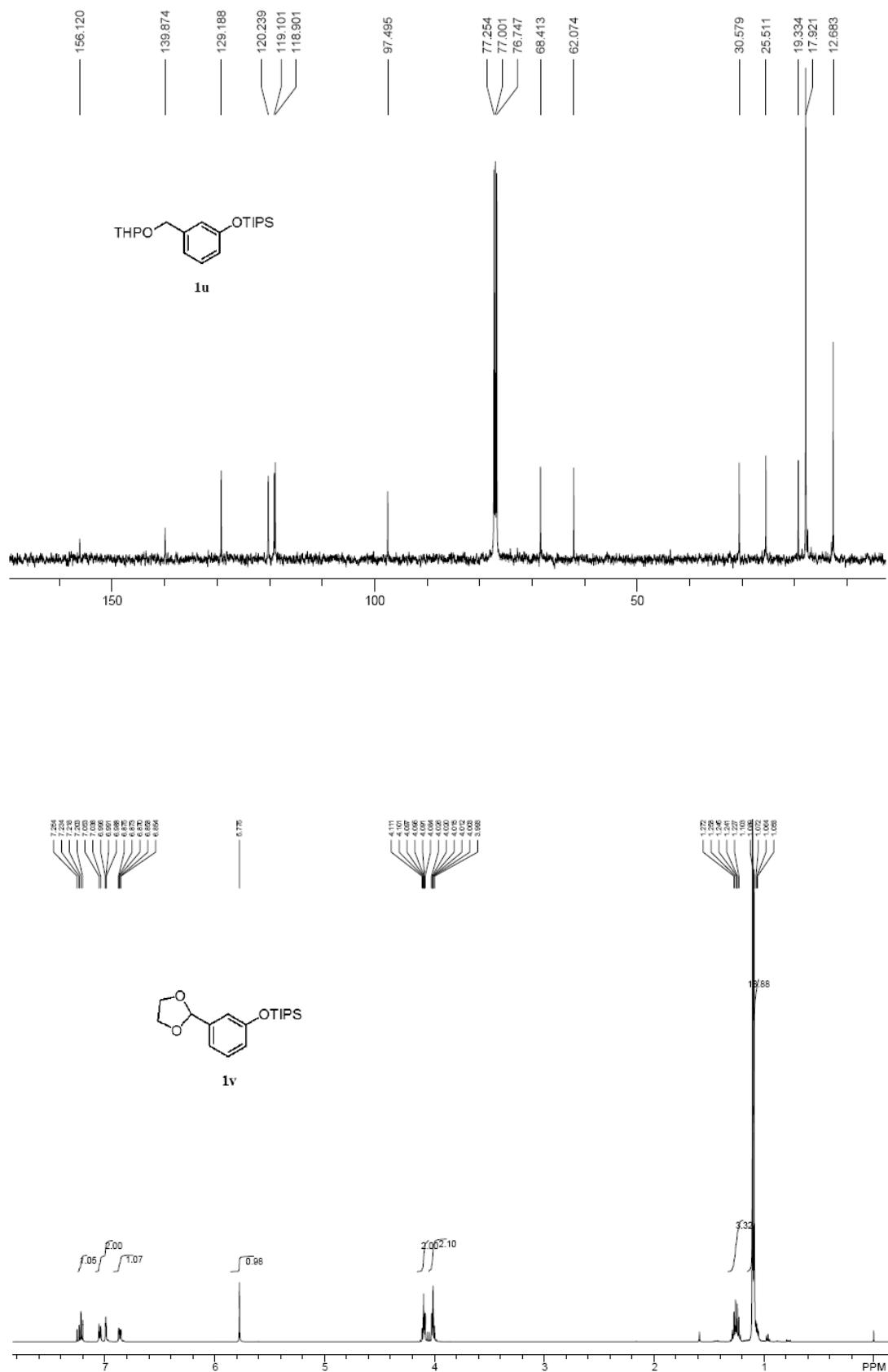


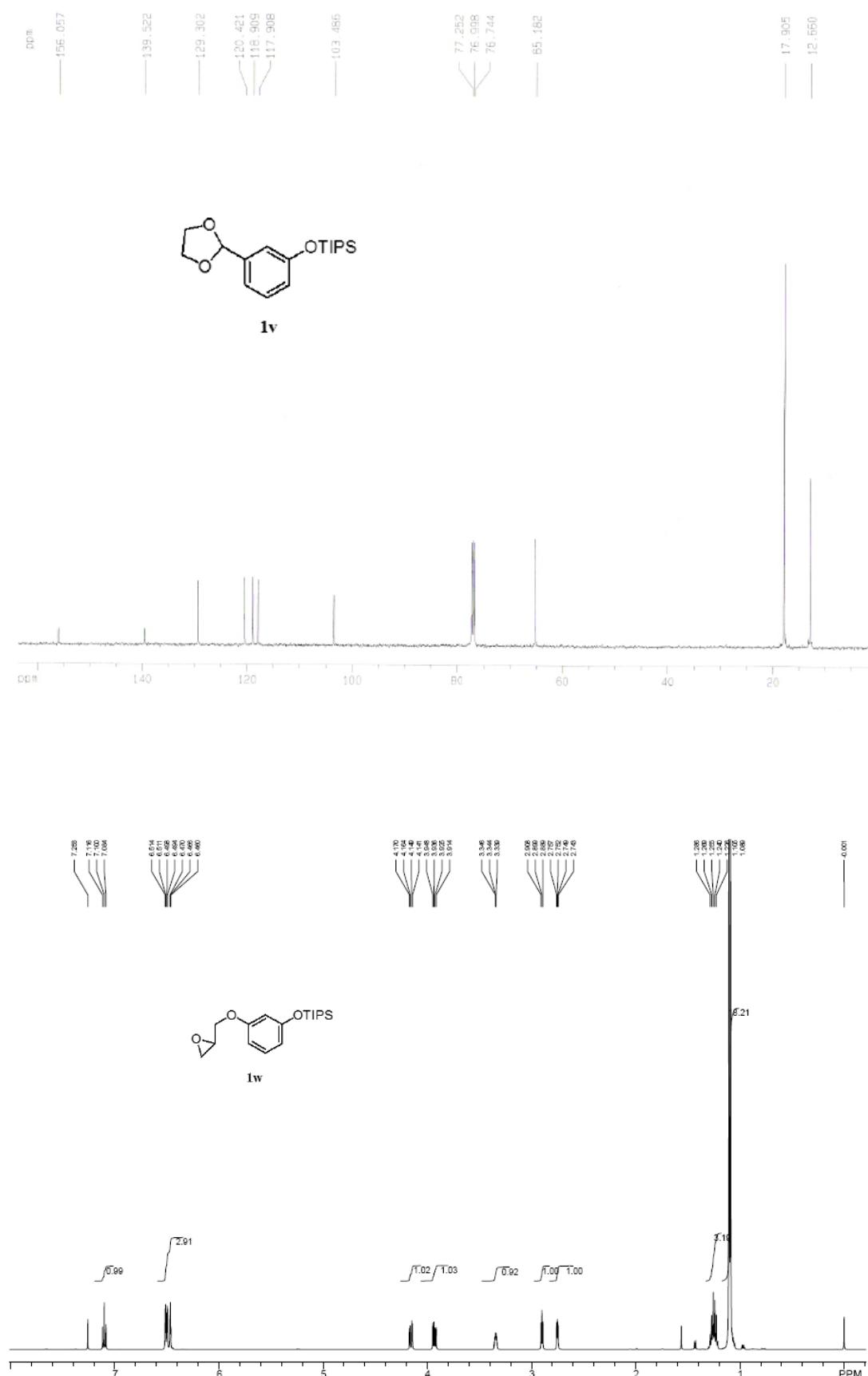
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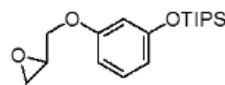
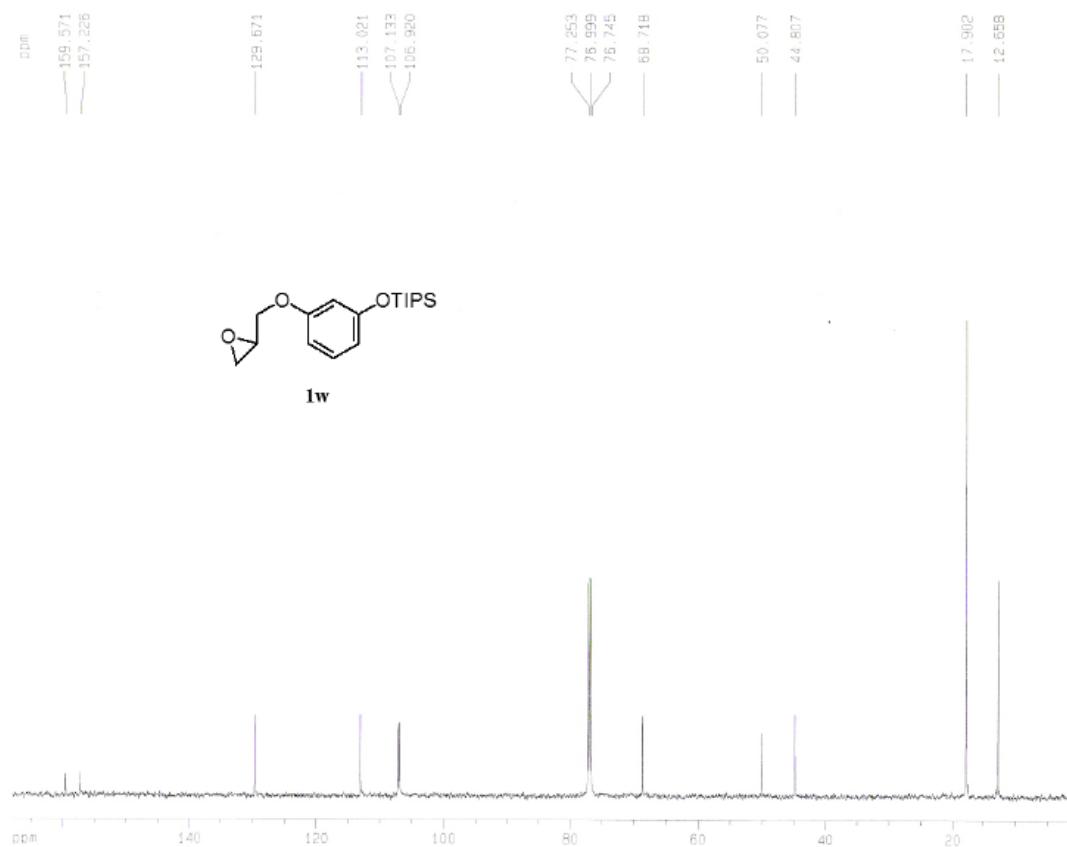












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