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**A Base-Promoted Desalicyloylative Dimerization of  
3-(1-Alkynyl)chromones: an Unusual Approach to 2-Alkynyl Xanthones**  
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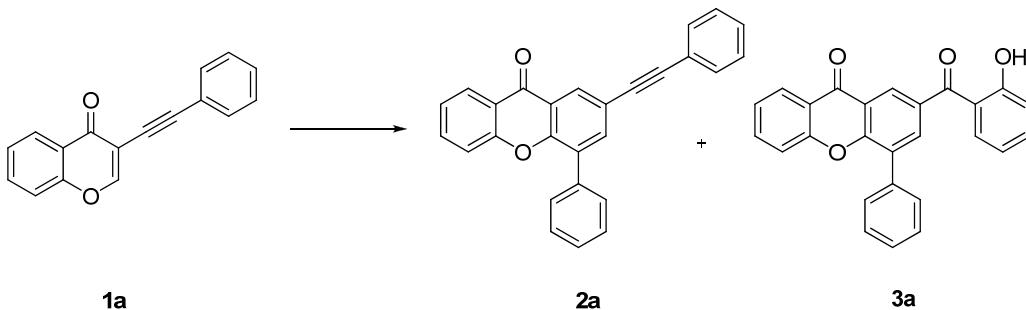
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## 1. Experiment procedures

All reactions were performed under nitrogen atmosphere. Dry solvents were distilled prior to use: DMF was dried over microwave-dried molecular sieve; THF was distilled from sodium-benzophenone; Petroleum ether refers to the fraction with boiling point in the range 60 – 90 °C. All <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were measured in CDCl<sub>3</sub> with TMS as the internal standard. Chemical shifts are expressed in ppm and *J* values are given in Hz. High resolution mass spectra were recorded on a Finnigan MAT 95 mass spectrometer (EI). Column chromatography was performed with 200-300 mesh silica gel using flash column techniques. Melting points are uncorrected.

### General Procedure:

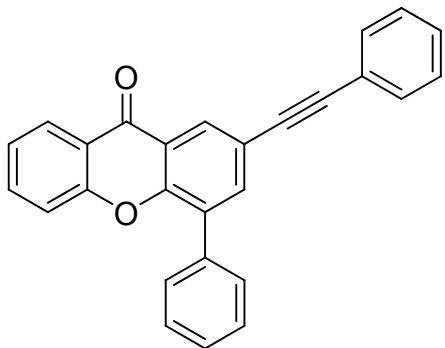
#### Desalicyloylative Dimerization of 3-(1-Alkynyl)chromones to 2-alkynyl Xanthones 2a-l



A typical procedure for the preparation of **2a** and **3a**: 3-(1-Alkynyl)chromone **1a** (148 mg, 0.6 mmol), dry THF (3 mL), water (11 µL, 0.6 mmol) and DBU (90 µL, 0.6 mmol) were added sequentially to a 10 mL microwave vial containing a magnetic stir bar. The vial was sealed and then the resulting mixture was stirred at 50 °C for 5 h. When the reaction was complete (as monitored by TLC), it was quenched by

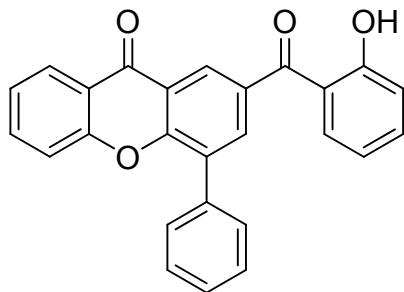
water (20 mL). The resulting mixture was extracted with dichloromethane (15 mL×3) and the combined organic layers were washed with brine( 10 mL), dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> , filtered and concentrated to give the crude product, which was further purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate 20:1 to petroleum ether/ethyl acetate 8:1) to afford compounds **2a** as a white solid and **3a** as a light yellow solid.

## 2. Characterization Data:



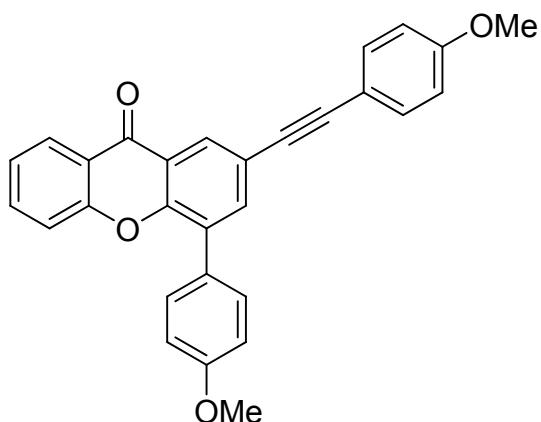
**4-phenyl-2-(phenylethynyl)-9H-xanthen-9-one (2a)**

As a white solid: m.p. 196-198 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ= 8.52 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 8.36 (dd, *J* = 8.1 , 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.9 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 7.74-7.64 (m, 3H), 7.60-7.44 ( m, 5H), 7.43-7.34 (m, 5H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ= 176.44, 155.70, 152.375, 138.215, 135.44, 134.83, 131.76, 131.575, 129.53, 129.03, 128.44, 128.39, 128.32, 128.12, 126.58, 124.18, 122.75, 122.13, 121.26, 119.13, 118.08, 90.12, 87.87; HRMS calcd for C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>16</sub>O<sub>2</sub> : 372.1150, found: 372.1142.



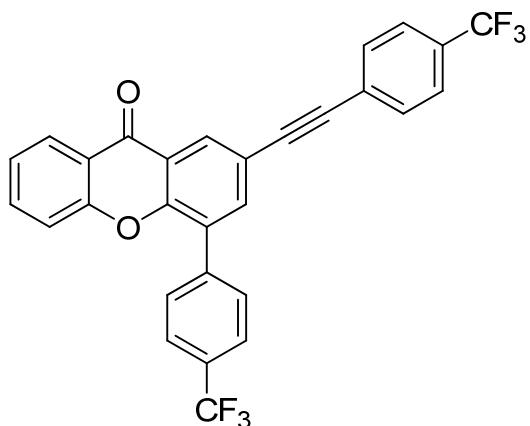
**2-(2-hydroxybenzoyl)-4-phenyl-9H-xanthen-9-one (3a)**

As a light yellow solid: m.p. 185-186 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ= 11.90 (s, 1H), 8.68 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 8.36 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 8.14 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 7.75 (td, *J* = 7.8, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.72-7.68 (m, 3H), 7.59-7.41 (m, 6H), 7.11 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.93 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ= 199.37, 176.62, 163.19, 155.77, 154.90, 136.61, 135.82, 135.265, 135.20, 133.21, 133.16, 132.36, 129.57, 128.55, 128.43, 127.82, 126.68, 124.69, 121.51, 121.38, 119.04, 118.87, 118.53, 118.23; HRMS calcd for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>16</sub>O<sub>4</sub> : 392.1049, found: 392.1045.



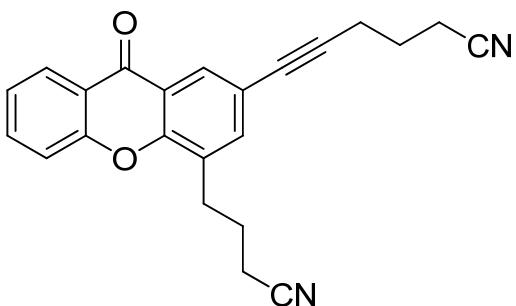
**4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-((4-methoxyphenyl)ethynyl)-9H-xanthen-9-one (2b)**

As a white solid: m.p. 200-202 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$ = 8.46 (d,  $J$ = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 8.35 (dd,  $J$ = 7.9, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.85 (d,  $J$ = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (td,  $J$ = 7.8, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (d,  $J$ = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.50 (d,  $J$ = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.42 (d,  $J$ = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (t,  $J$ = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.07 (d,  $J$ = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.90 (d,  $J$ = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 3.91 (s, 3H), 3.84 (s, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$ = 176.64, 159.745, 159.54, 155.80, 152.31, 137.87, 134.805, 133.09, 131.42, 130.75, 128.31, 127.85, 126.65, 124.14, 122.185, 121.33, 119.51, 118.12, 114.90, 114.01, 113.87, 90.10, 86.755, 55.31, 55.25; HRMS calcd for  $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}_4$ : 432.1362, found: 432.1367.



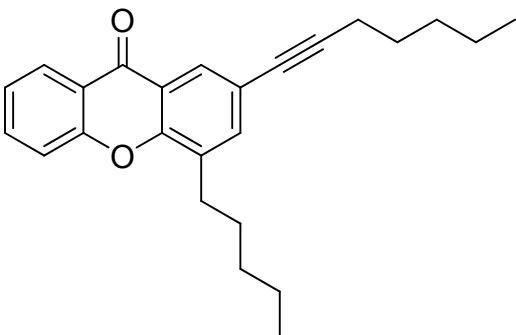
**4-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-2-((4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)ethynyl)-9H-xanthen-9-one (2c)**

As a white solid: m.p. 223-224 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$ = 8.59 (d,  $J$ = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 8.37 (dd,  $J$ = 8.0, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.91 (d,  $J$ = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 7.84-7.78 (m, 4H), 7.74 (td,  $J$ = 7.8, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.69-7.62 (m, 4H), 7.43 (td,  $J$ = 7.6, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (d,  $J$ = 8.5 Hz, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (150 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$ = 176.19, 155.70, 152.62, 139.01, 138.13, 135.24, 131.86, 130.64 ( $d$ ,  $^2J_{\text{CF}}$ = 32.3 Hz, 1C), 130.61, 130.31, 130.29 ( $d$ ,  $^2J_{\text{CF}}$ = 32.7 Hz, 1C), 129.97, 126.80, 126.47, 125.47 ( $q$ ,  $^3J_{\text{CF}}$ = 3.9 Hz, 2C), 125.37 ( $q$ ,  $^3J_{\text{CF}}$ = 3.3 Hz, 2C), 124.64, 124.09 ( $q$ ,  $^1J_{\text{CF}}$ = 270.6 Hz, 1C), 123.85 ( $q$ ,  $^1J_{\text{CF}}$ = 271.0 Hz, 1C), 122.42, 121.38, 118.68, 118.10, 89.82, 89.04; HRMS calcd for  $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{14}\text{O}_2\text{F}_6$ : 508.0898, found: 508.0903.



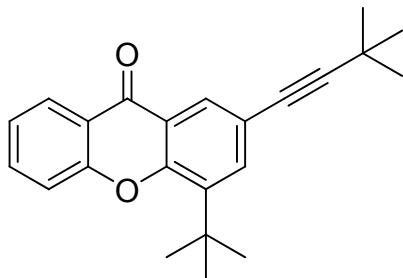
**6-(4-(3-cyanopropyl)-9-oxo-9H-xanthen-2-yl)hex-5-ynenitrile (2d)**

As a white solid: m.p. 112-114 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$ = 8.26 (dd,  $J$ = 8.0, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 8.19 (d,  $J$ = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.71 (td,  $J$ = 7.8, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.56-7.52 (m, 2H), 7.37 (td,  $J$ = 7.6, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 3.07 (t,  $J$ = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 2.61 (t,  $J$ = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.57 (t,  $J$ = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 2.42 (t,  $J$ = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 2.09 (p,  $J$ = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.97 (p,  $J$ = 7.0 Hz, 2H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$ = 176.19, 155.39, 153.19, 137.42, 134.93, 129.24, 128.11, 126.34, 124.165, 121.425, 121.03, 119.18, 118.97, 118.75, 117.89, 87.76, 80.59, 28.11, 25.20, 24.26, 18.28, 16.59, 16.06; HRMS calcd for  $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$ : 354.1368, found: 354.1359.



**2-(hept-1-ynyl)-4-pentyl-9H-xanthen-9-one (2e)**

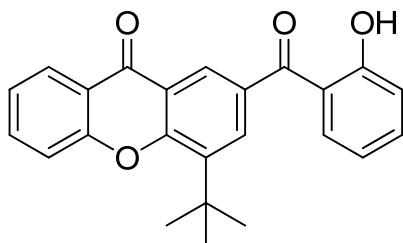
As a white solid: m.p. 54-56 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$ = 8.32 (dd,  $J$ = 7.9, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 8.22 (d,  $J$ = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.72 (td,  $J$ = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (d,  $J$ = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (d,  $J$ = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (t,  $J$ = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 2.90 (t,  $J$ = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 2.42 (t,  $J$ = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 1.78-1.57 (m, 4H), 1.51-1.32 (m, 8H), 0.97-0.87 (m, 6H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$ = 176.845, 155.81, 153.34, 137.53, 134.67, 132.05, 127.33, 126.65, 123.92, 121.51, 121.425, 119.54, 117.95, 90.78, 79.42, 31.515, 31.10, 29.45, 29.30, 28.38, 22.405, 22.21, 19.34, 13.96; HRMS calcd for  $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{28}\text{O}_2$ : 360.2089, found: 360.2083.



**4-tert-butyl-2-(3,3-dimethylbut-1-ynyl)-9H-xanthen-9-one (2f)**

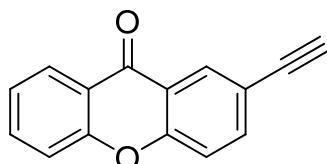
As a white solid: m.p. 206-208 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$ = 8.34 (dd,  $J$ = 8.0, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 8.27 (d,  $J$ = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.74 (td,  $J$ = 7.7, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.68 (d,  $J$ = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (dd,  $J$ = 8.5, 1.1 Hz, 1H),

7.40 (td,  $J = 7.6, 1.2$  Hz, 1H), 1.56 (s, 9H), 1.34 (s, 9H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta = 176.98, 155.44, 154.08, 138.85, 134.87, 134.785, 128.01, 126.69, 124.05, 122.25, 121.27, 119.43, 117.85, 98.71, 78.22, 35.14, 30.99, 29.97, 27.96$ ; HRMS calcd for  $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{24}\text{O}_2$  : 332.1776, found: 332.1787.



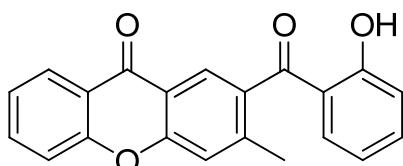
#### 4-tert-butyl-2-(2-hydroxybenzoyl)-9H-xanthen-9-one (3f)

As a light yellow solid: m.p. 143-144 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta = 11.94$  (s, 1H), 8.57 (d,  $J = 2.2$  Hz, 1H), 8.36 (dd,  $J = 7.9, 1.5$  Hz, 1H), 8.10 (d,  $J = 2.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.80 (td,  $J = 7.8, 1.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.65 (dd,  $J = 7.9, 1.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.62 (dd,  $J = 8.3, 0.8$  Hz, 1H), 7.54 (td,  $J = 7.8, 1.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.45 (td,  $J = 7.6, 1.1$  Hz, 1H), 7.10 (dd,  $J = 8.5, 0.9$  Hz, 1H), 6.92 (td,  $J = 7.6, 1.1$  Hz, 1H), 1.63 (s, 9H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta = 200.07, 176.98, 163.20, 157.01, 155.41, 140.07, 136.515, 135.29, 133.33, 132.58, 132.22, 127.10, 126.71, 124.66, 121.56, 121.31, 118.975, 118.49, 117.96, 35.48, 29.93$ ; HRMS calcd for  $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}_4$  : 372.1362, found: 372.1363.



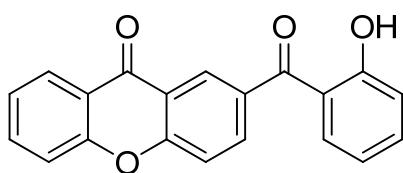
#### 2-ethynyl-9H-xanthen-9-one (2g)

As a white solid: m.p. 157-159 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta = 8.47$  (s, 1H), 8.33 (d,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.81-7.71 (m, 2H), 7.51-7.37 (m, 3H), 3.13 (s, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta = 176.24, 155.91, 155.80, 137.83, 135.05, 130.74, 126.72, 124.24, 121.61, 121.58, 118.32, 118.03, 117.97, 82.07, 77.93$ ; HRMS calcd for  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_8\text{O}_2$  : 220.0524, found: 220.0528.



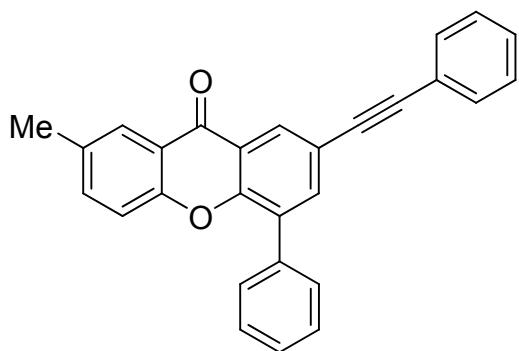
#### 2-(2-hydroxybenzoyl)-3-methyl-9H-xanthen-9-one (3g)

As a white solid: m.p. 175-176 °C (lit., 144 °C).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta = 12.12$  (s, 1H), 8.33 (dd,  $J = 8.1, 1.6$  Hz, 1H), 8.28 (s, 1H), 7.76 (td,  $J = 7.8, 1.7$  Hz, 1H), 7.57-7.50 (m, 2H), 7.45 (s, 1H), 7.42 (td,  $J = 7.5, 1.1$  Hz, 1H), 7.33 (dd,  $J = 7.8, 1.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.09 (dd,  $J = 8.7, 1.0$  Hz, 1H), 6.83 (td,  $J = 7.7, 1.2$  Hz, 1H), 2.50 (s, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta = 202.14, 176.38, 163.49, 156.70, 156.04, 144.32, 137.155, 135.08, 133.87, 133.47, 126.80, 126.73, 124.34, 121.84, 120.02, 119.70, 119.11, 119.05, 118.48, 118.04, 20.36$ ; HRMS calcd for  $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{14}\text{O}_4$  : 330.0892, found: 330.0884.



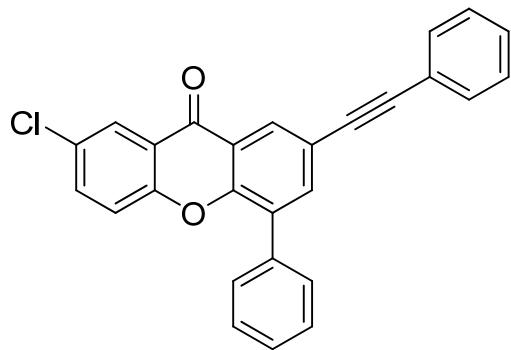
**2-(2-hydroxybenzoyl)-9H-xanthen-9-one (3g<sub>2</sub>)**

As a white solid: m.p. 184–185 °C (lit.<sup>2</sup> 185 °C). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ= 11.87 (s, 1H), 8.68 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 8.36 (dd, J = 7.9, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 8.12 (dd, J = 8.6, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 7.79 (td, J = 7.8, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.67–7.52 (m, 4H), 7.45 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.11 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ= 199.31, 176.44, 163.16, 158.03, 155.93, 136.59, 135.345, 135.13, 133.31, 133.17, 128.83, 126.77, 126.61, 124.61, 121.72, 120.98, 119.00, 118.84, 118.79, 118.53, 118.09; HRMS calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: 316.0736, found: 316.0733.



**7-methyl-4-phenyl-2-(phenylethynyl)-9H-xanthen-9-one (2h)**

As a white solid: m.p. 199–201 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ= 8.50 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 8.11 (s, 1H), 7.87 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 7.70–7.64 (m, 2H), 7.59–7.45 (m, 6H), 7.40–7.33 (m, 3H), 7.28 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 2.45 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ= 176.55, 154.01, 152.46, 138.06, 136.15, 135.57, 134.085, 131.75, 131.61, 129.575, 129.13, 128.44, 128.40, 128.35, 128.10, 125.94, 122.84, 122.135, 120.93, 118.95, 117.88, 90.025, 87.97, 20.76; HRMS calcd for C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>18</sub>O<sub>2</sub>: 386.1307, found: 386.1307.

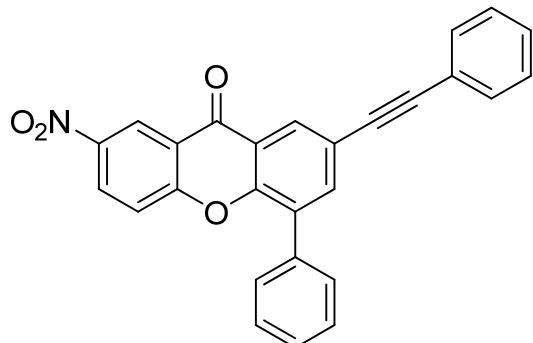


**7-chloro-4-phenyl-2-(phenylethynyl)-9H-xanthen-9-one (2i)**

As a white solid: m.p. 213–215 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ= 8.50 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 8.31 (d, J = 2.6 Hz, 1H), 7.90 (d, J = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 7.69–7.61 (m, 3H), 7.59–7.46 (m, 5H), 7.41–7.33 (m, 4H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ= 175.47, 154.11, 152.30, 138.61, 135.28, 134.99, 131.97, 131.64, 130.09, 129.55,

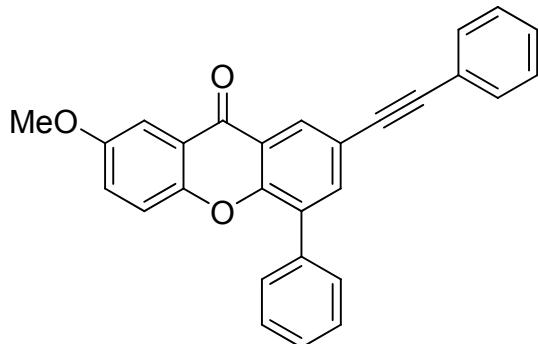
129.05, 128.58, 128.50, 128.39, 128.29, 125.97, 122.68, 122.16, 121.81, 119.92, 119.63, 90.46, 87.66;

HRMS calcd for C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>15</sub>ClO<sub>2</sub> : 406.0761, found: 406.0756.



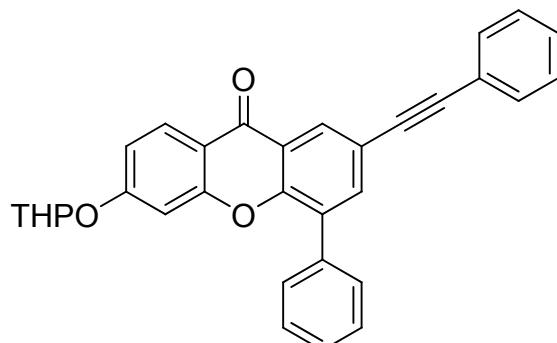
**7-nitro-4-phenyl-2-(phenylethynyl)-9H-xanthen-9-one (2j)**

As a yellow solid: m.p. 239-241 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ= 9.21 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 8.50 (dd, *J* = 9.2, 2.7 Hz, 1H), 8.47 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 7.67-7.63 (m, 2H), 7.59-7.49 (m, 6H), 7.39-7.35 (m, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ= 175.12, 158.71, 152.00, 143.96, 139.24, 134.84, 132.28, 131.65, 129.52, 129.00, 128.93, 128.78, 128.65, 128.56, 128.42, 123.435, 12.41, 121.71, 121.17, 120.65, 119.85, 91.06, 87.26; HRMS calcd for C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>15</sub>NO<sub>4</sub> : 417.1001, found: 417.1002.



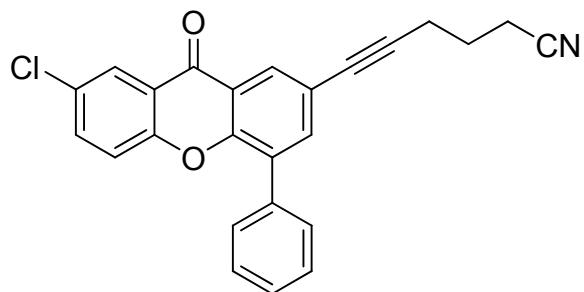
**7-methoxy-4-phenyl-2-(phenylethynyl)-9H-xanthen-9-one (2k)**

As a white solid: m.p. 227-229 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ= 8.53 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 7.89 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.73-7.65 (m, 3H), 7.60-7.46 (m, 5H), 7.40-7.27 (m, 5H), 3.92 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ= 176.435, 156.22, 152.44, 150.67, 138.04, 135.60, 131.84, 131.645, 129.60, 129.13, 128.49, 128.44, 128.39, 128.16, 125.08, 122.85, 121.67, 121.615, 119.625, 119.01, 105.65, 90.07, 87.99, 55.90; HRMS calcd for C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>18</sub>O<sub>3</sub> : 402.1256, found: 402.1252.



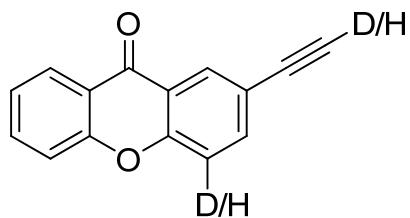
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As a white solid: m.p. >300 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$ = 8.50 (d,  $J$ = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 8.26 (d,  $J$ = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.86 (d,  $J$ = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 7.69-7.63 (m, 2H), 7.59-7.46 (m, 5H), 7.40-7.34 (m, 3H), 7.06 (dd,  $J$ = 8.8, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 7.00 (s, 1H), 5.59-5.54 (m, 1H), 3.87-3.77 (m, 1H), 3.68-3.58 (m, 1H), 2.06-1.85 (m, 3H), 1.79-1.59 (m, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$ = 175.70, 162.55, 157.51, 152.59, 137.92, 135.635, 131.62, 129.58, 129.09, 128.46, 128.36, 128.09, 128.08, 122.87, 122.31, 119.06, 115.83, 114.765, 103.39, 96.11, 90.00, 88.01, 61.83, 29.87, 24.935, 18.125; HRMS calcd for  $\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{24}\text{O}_4$  : 472.1675, found: 472.1665.



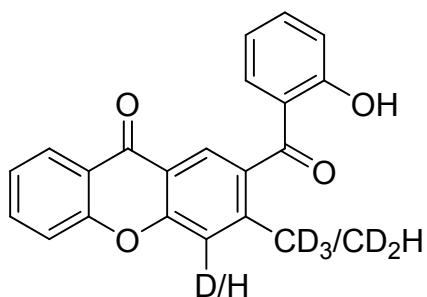
**6-(7-chloro-9-oxo-4-phenyl-9H-xanthen-2-yl)hex-5-ynenitrile(2id)**

As a white solid: m.p. 153-154 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$ = 8.35 (d,  $J$ = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 8.29 (d,  $J$ = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (d,  $J$ = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 7.66-7.59 (m, 3H), 7.56-7.46 (m, 3H), 7.36 (d,  $J$ = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 2.65 (t,  $J$ = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.59 (t,  $J$ = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.99 (p,  $J$ = 6.9 Hz, 2H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$ = 175.475, 154.10, 152.155, 138.71, 135.20, 135.02, 131.915, 130.06, 129.49, 129.02, 128.485, 128.285, 125.94, 122.12, 121.71, 119.93, 119.51, 119.03, 88.19, 80.75, 24.48, 18.49, 16.255; HRMS calcd for  $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{16}\text{ClNO}_2$  : 397.8530, found: 397.8523.



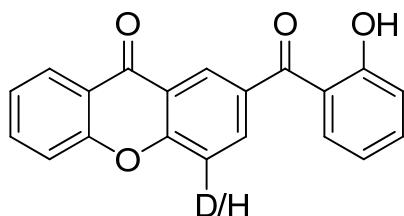
**2-ethynyl-9H-xanthen-9-one ([D] 2g)**

As a white solid: m.p. 155-157 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$ = 8.45 (d,  $J$ = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 8.31 (d,  $J$ = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (s, 1H), 7.72 (td,  $J$ = 7.8, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (d,  $J$ = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (t,  $J$ = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 3.13 (s, 0.2 H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$ = 176.02, 155.79, 155.63, 137.60, 134.91, 130.60, 126.60, 124.12, 121.51, 121.48, 117.96, 117.95 ( $t$ ,  $^1J_{\text{CD}}$ = 25.1 Hz, 1C) 117.87, 82.04, 81.60, 77.895; HRMS calcd for  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_8\text{O}_2$  : 220.0524, found: 220.0526, calcd for  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_7\text{DO}_2$  : 221.0587, found: 221.0589, calcd for  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_6\text{D}_2\text{O}_2$  : 222.0650, found: 222.0649.



**2-(2-hydroxybenzoyl)-3-methyl-9H-xanthen-9-one ([D] 3g<sub>1</sub>)**

As a white solid: m.p. 175-176 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ= 12.12 (s, 1H), 8.33 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 8.28 (s, 1H), 7.76 (td, *J* = 7.8, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.57-7.49 (m, 2H), 7.41 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.08 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 6.83 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 2.50-2.45 (m, 0.1 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ= 202.10, 176.34, 163.45, 156.63, 155.99, 144.13, 137.12, 135.06, 133.83, 133.45, 126.76, 126.68, 124.31, 121.79, 119.73 (t, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>CD</sub> = 25.9 Hz, 1C), 119.67, 119.08, 119.00, 118.44, 118.01, 19.50 (h, *J* = 19.6 Hz, 1C); HRMS calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>12</sub>D<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> : 332.1018, found: 332.1010, calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>11</sub>D<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub> : 333.1080, found: 333.1072, calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>10</sub>D<sub>4</sub>O<sub>4</sub> : 334.1143, found: 334.1136.



**2-(2-hydroxybenzoyl)-9H-xanthen-9-one ([D] 3g<sub>2</sub>)**

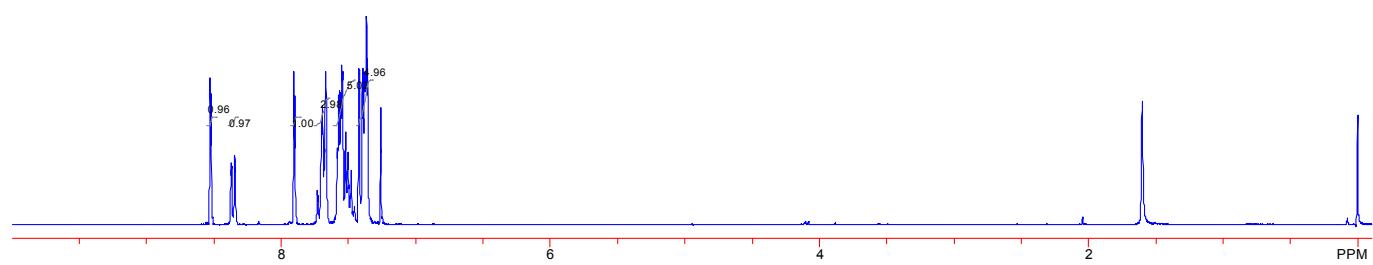
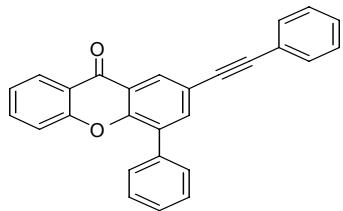
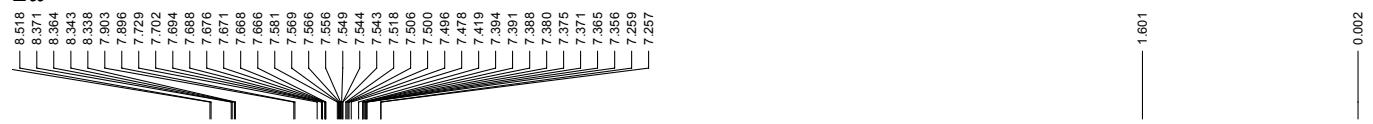
As a white solid: m.p. 183-184 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ= 11.87 (s, 1H), 8.67 (d, *J* = 1.7 Hz, 1H), 8.35 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.13-8.08 (m, 1H), 7.79 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.66-7.50 (m, 3H), 7.44 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.10 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 6.91 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ= 199.32, 176.44, 163.15, 157.99, 155.93, 136.59, 135.35, 135.13, 135.03, 133.30, 133.17, 128.82, 126.76, 124.61, 121.71, 120.975, 119.00, 118.83, 118.79, 118.52, 118.09; HRMS calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O<sub>4</sub> : 316.0736, found: 316.0734, calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>11</sub>DO<sub>4</sub> : 317.0798, found: 317.0802.

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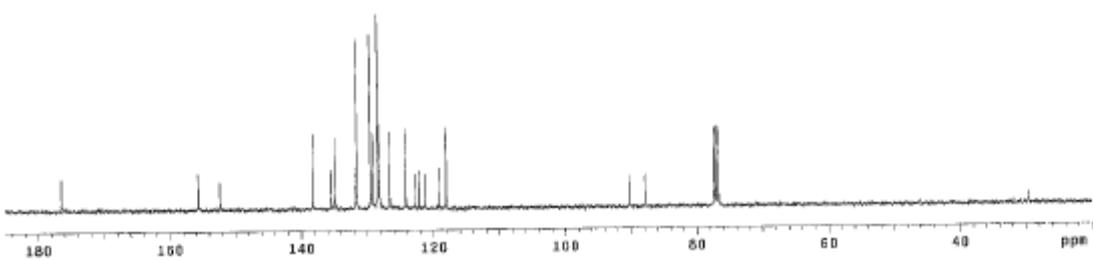
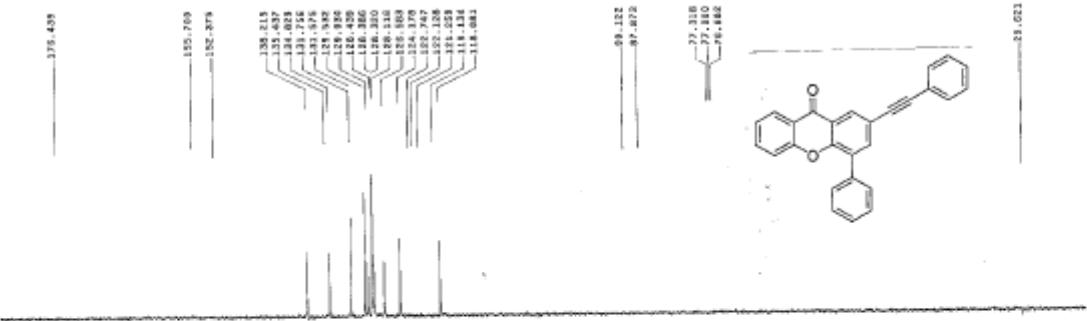
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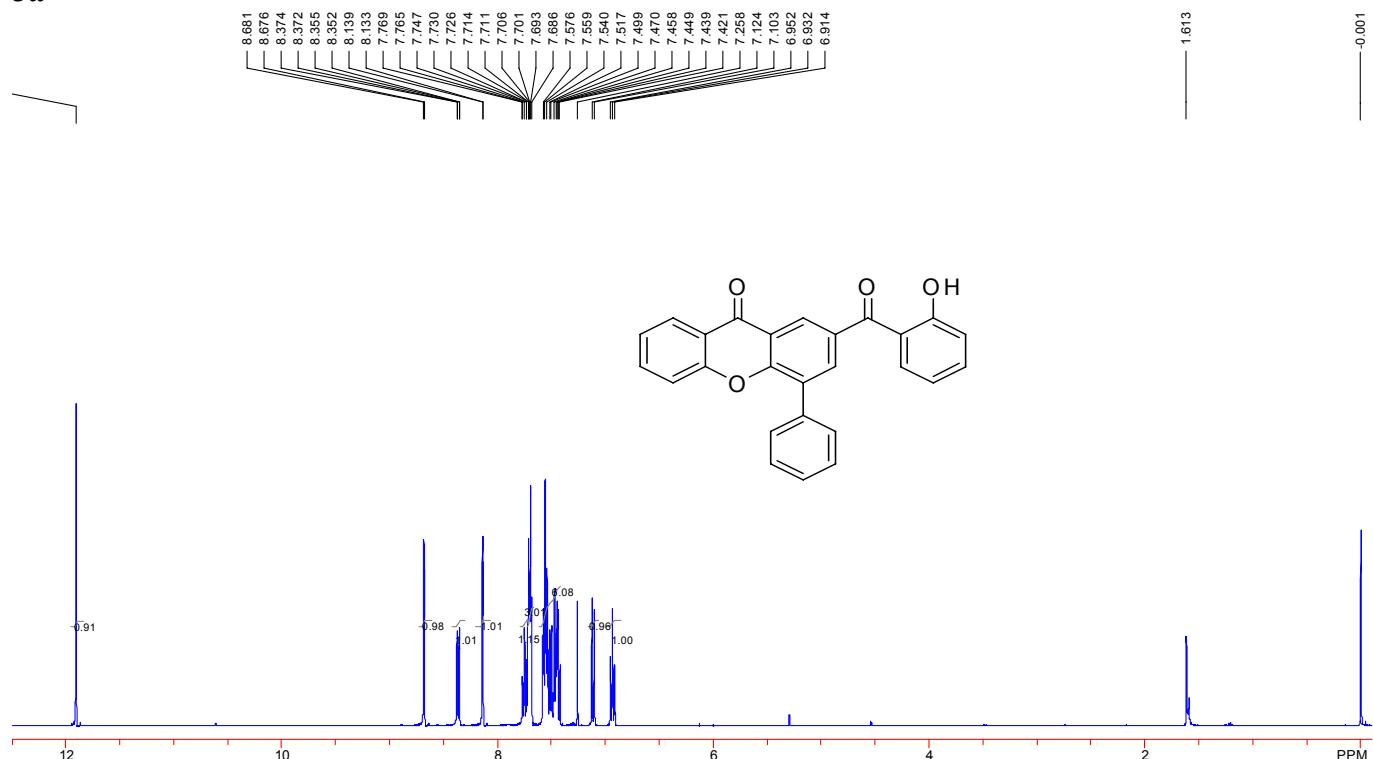
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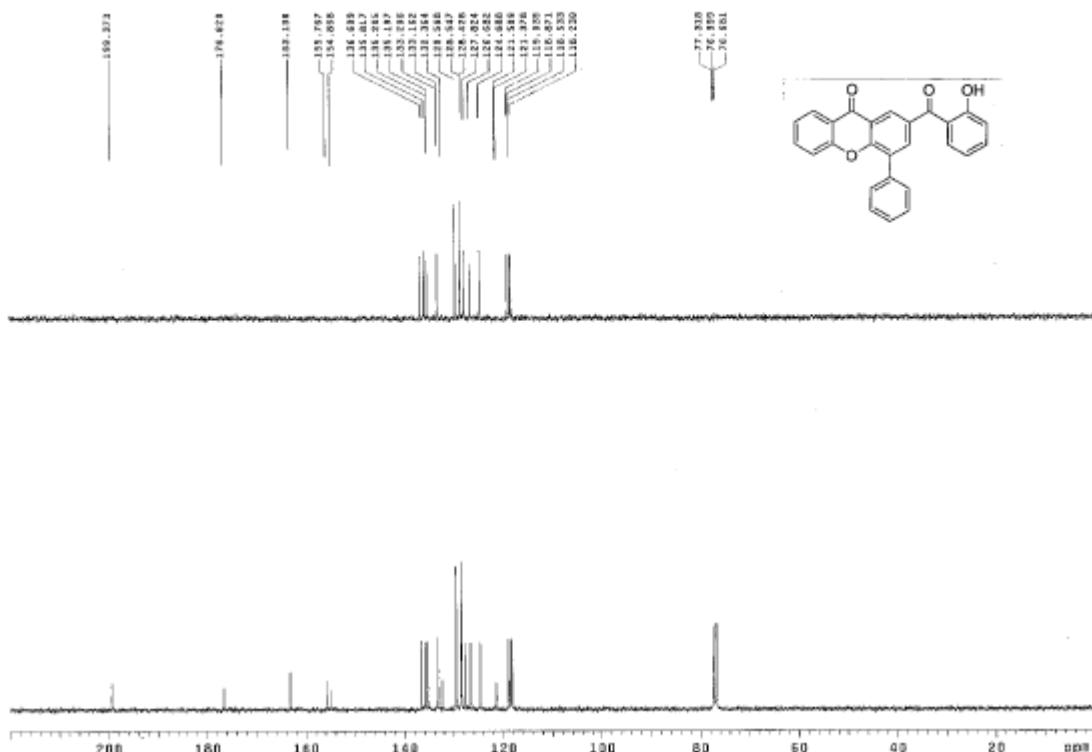
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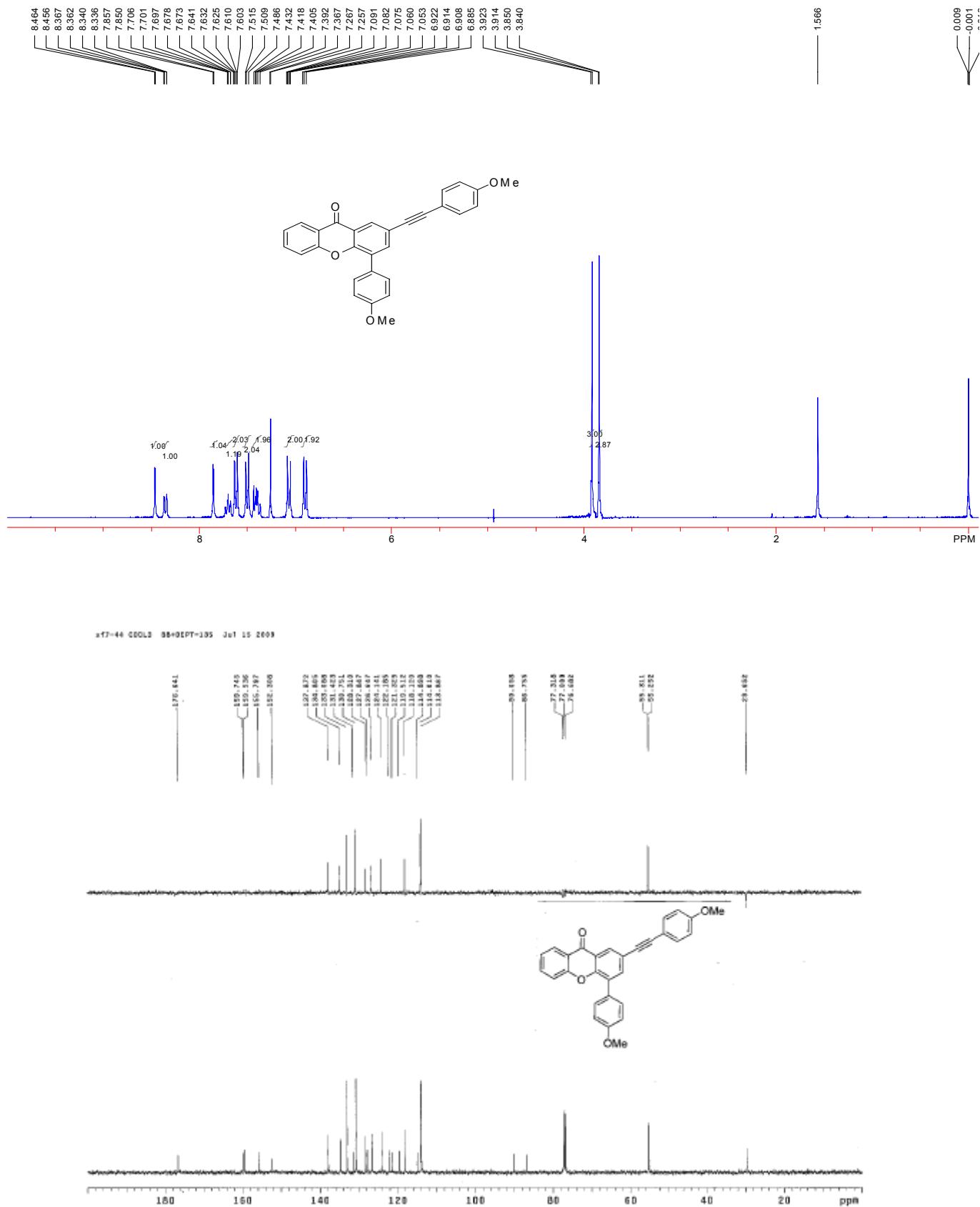
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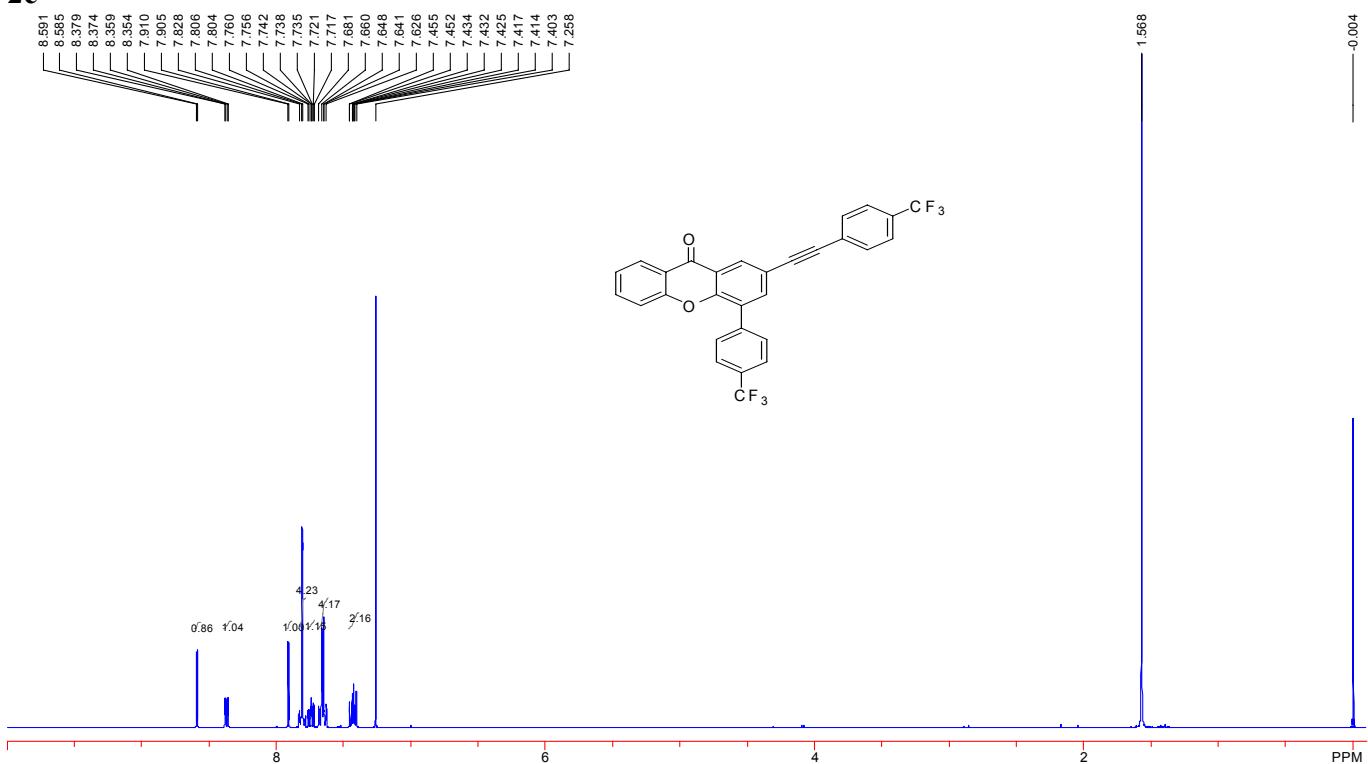
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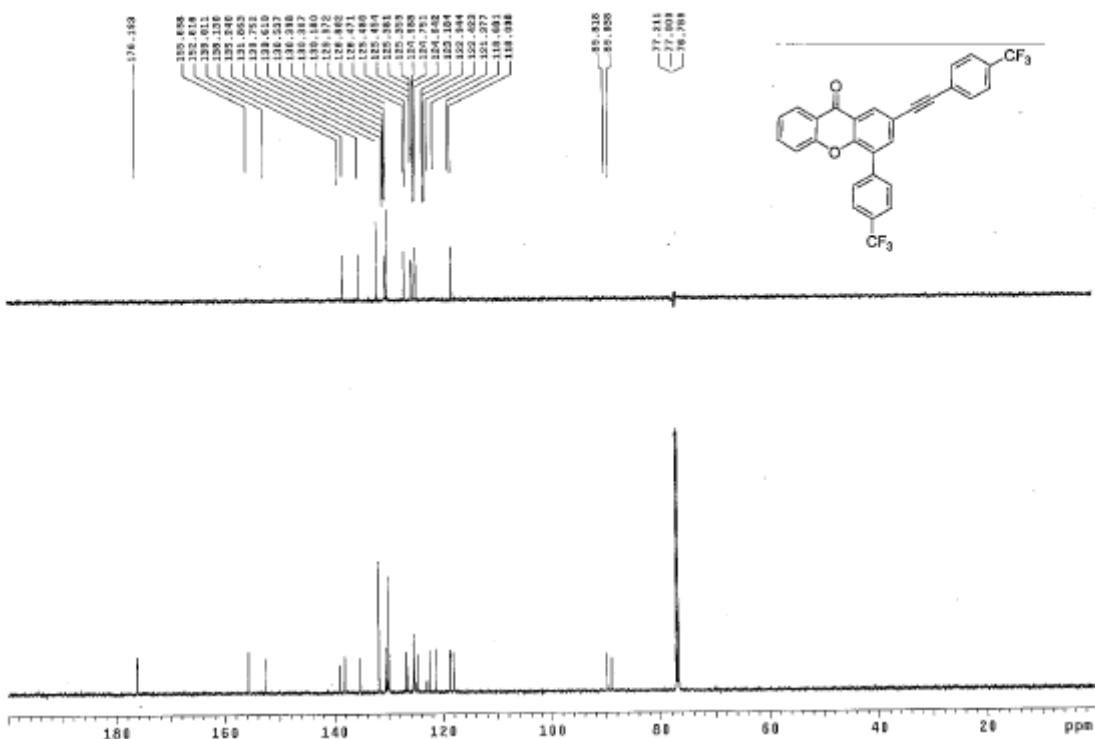
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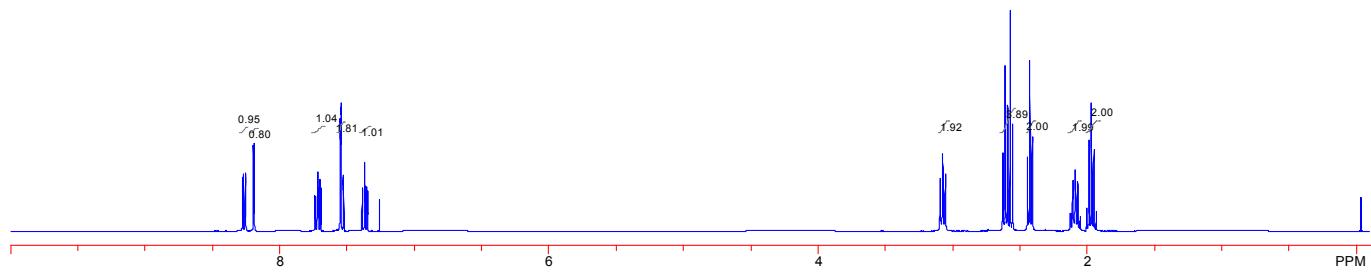
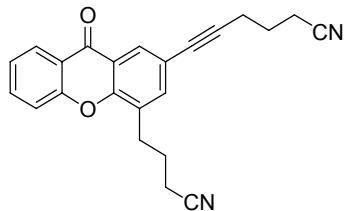
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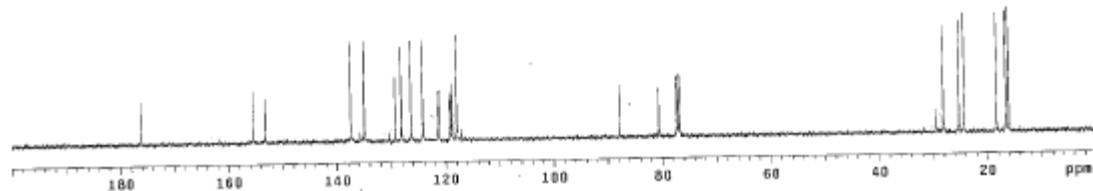
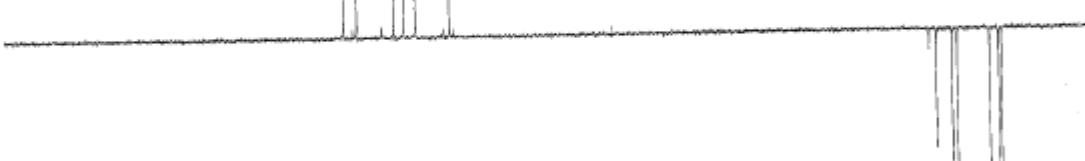
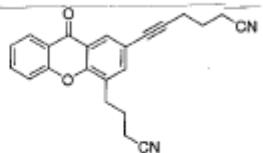
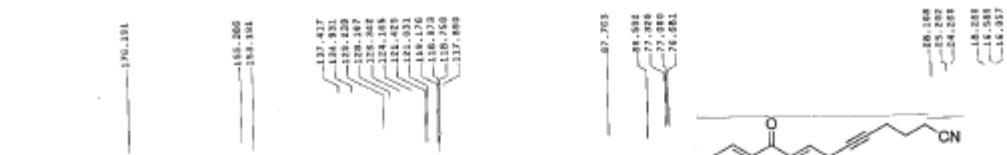
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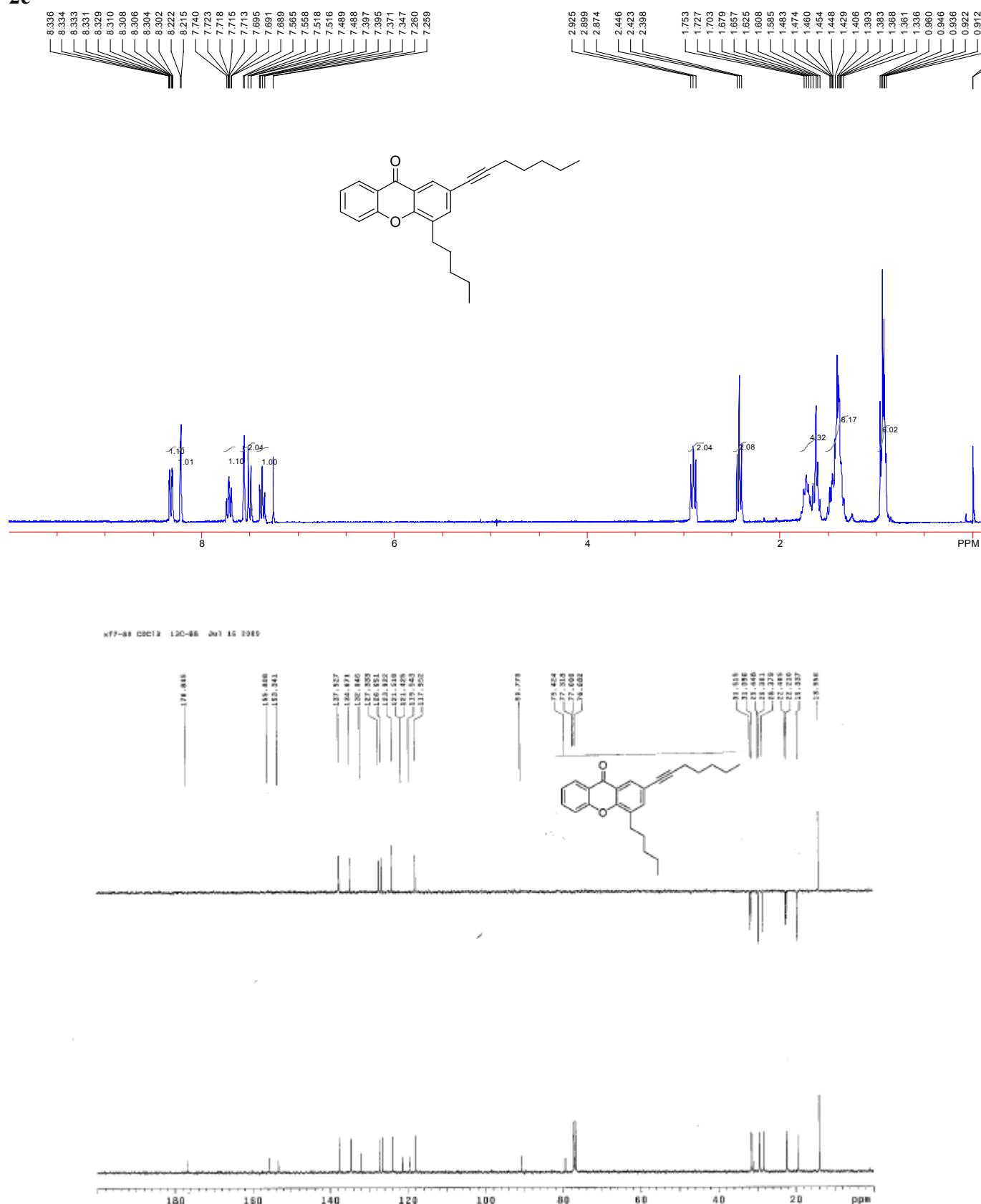
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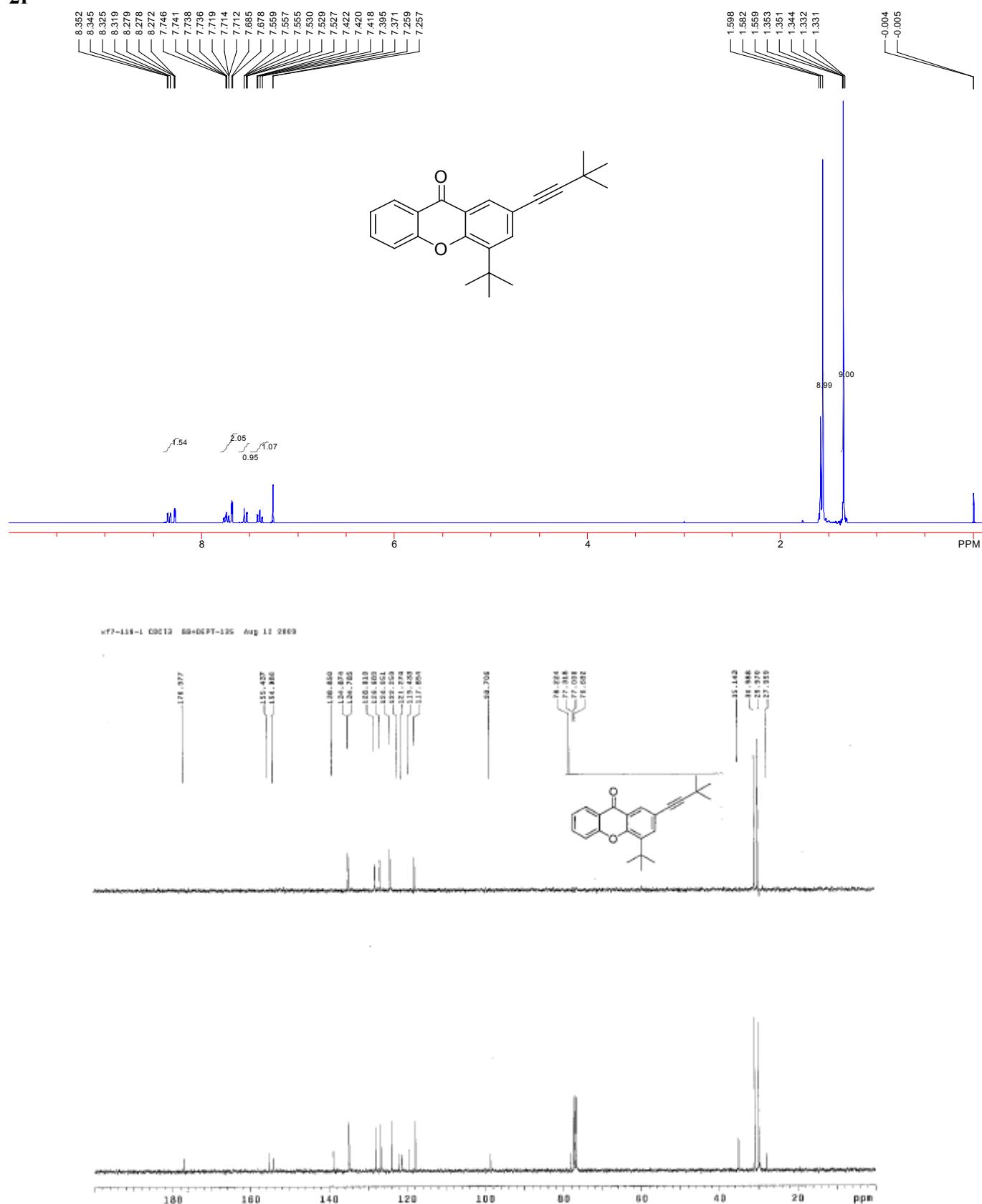
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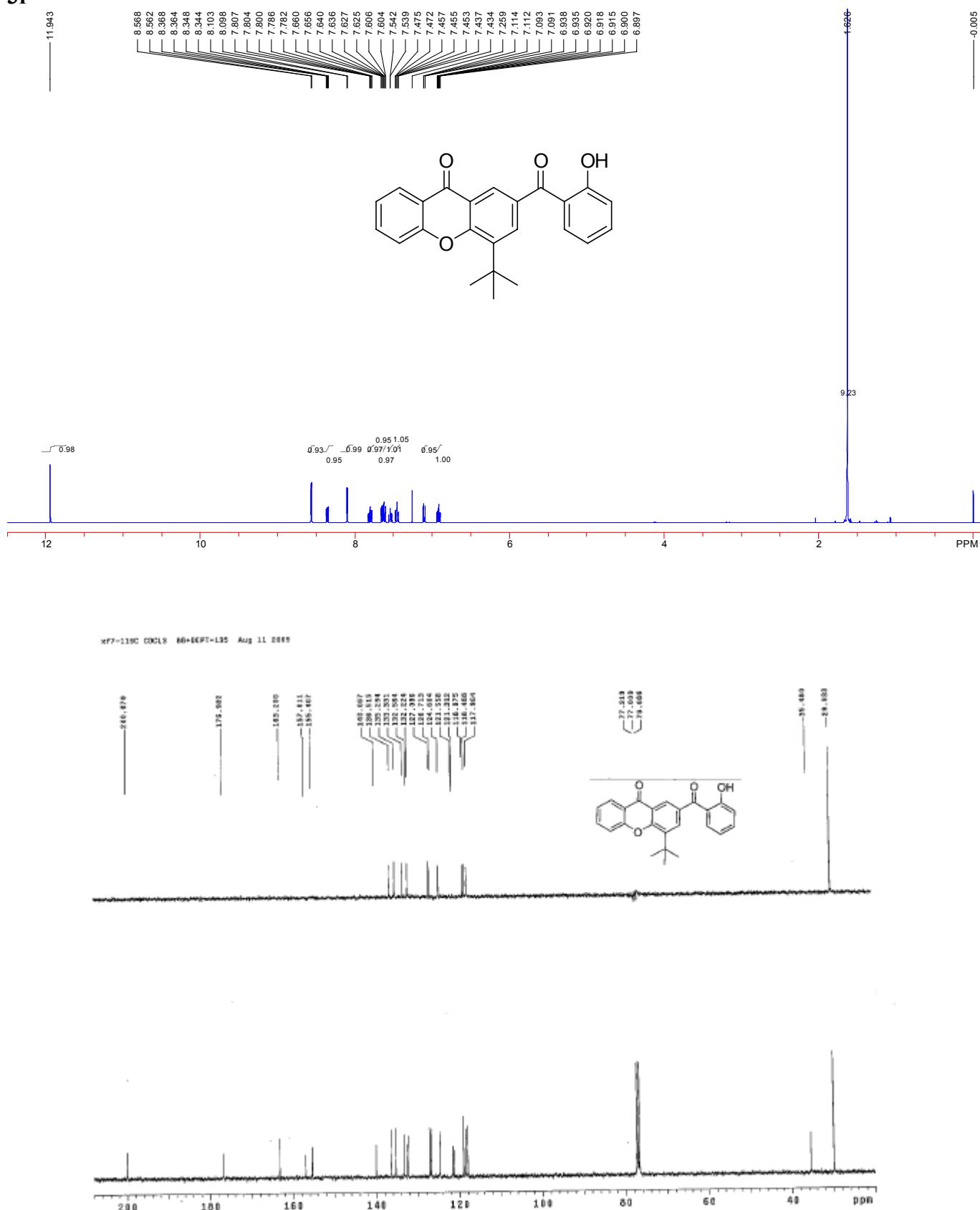
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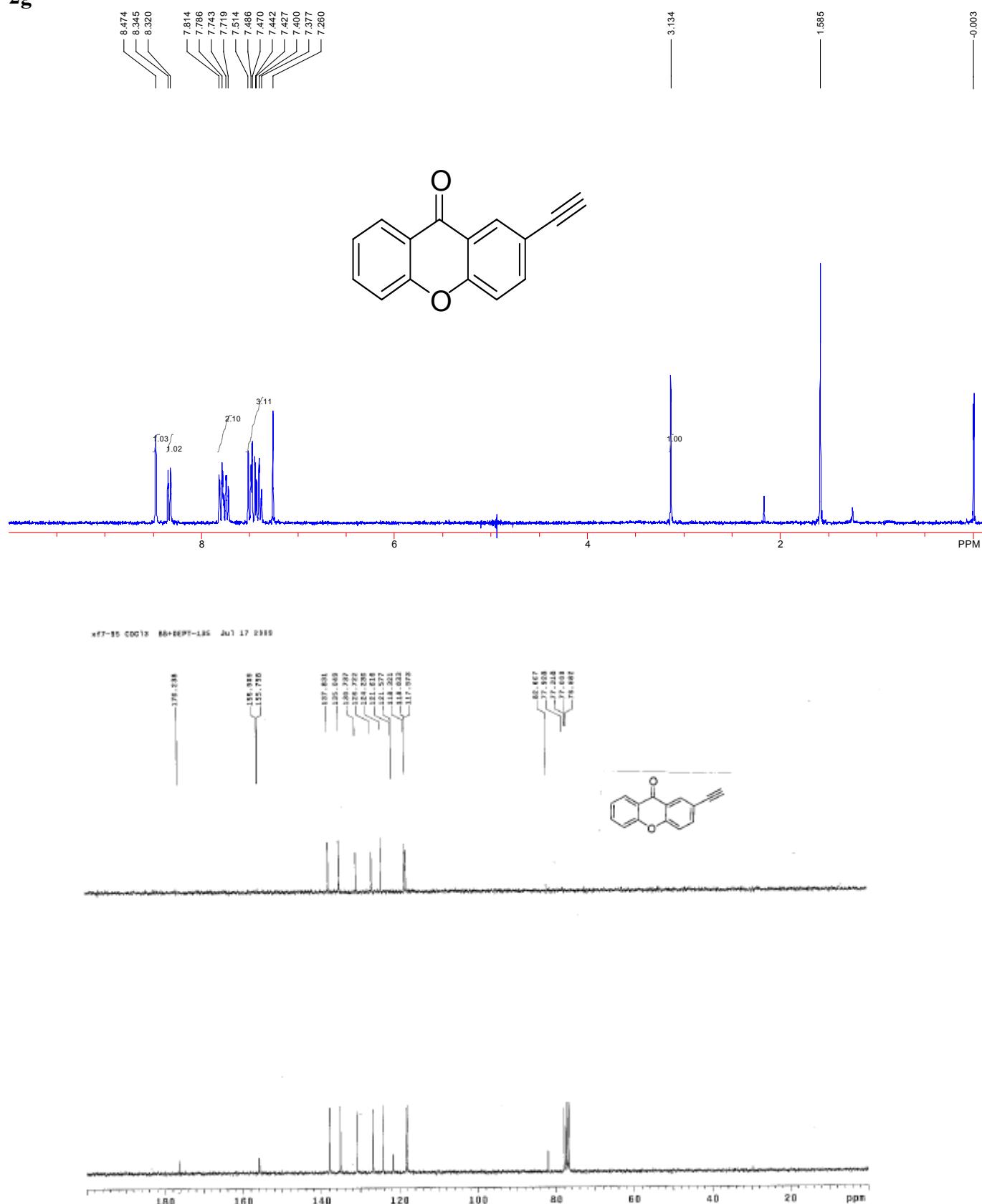
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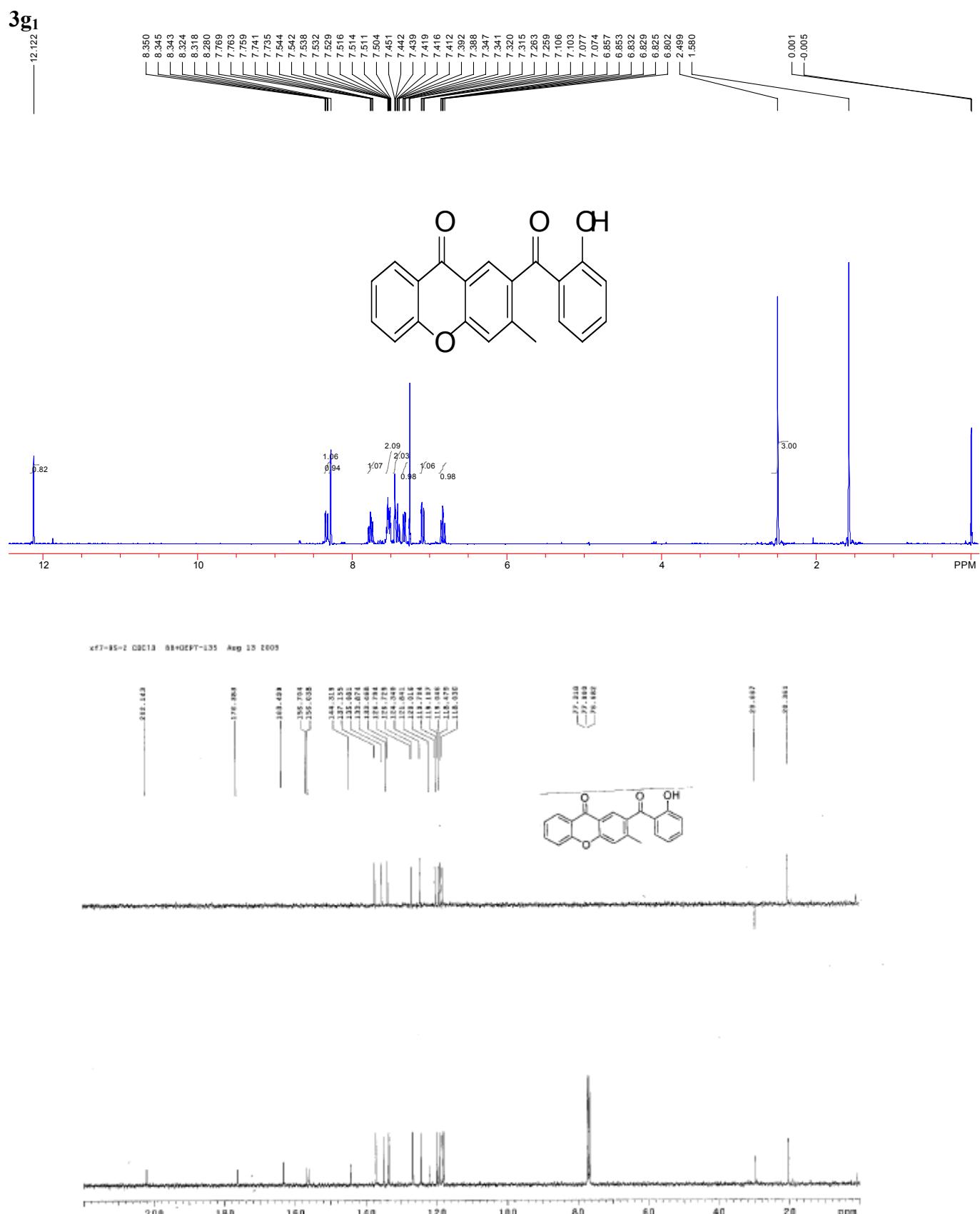


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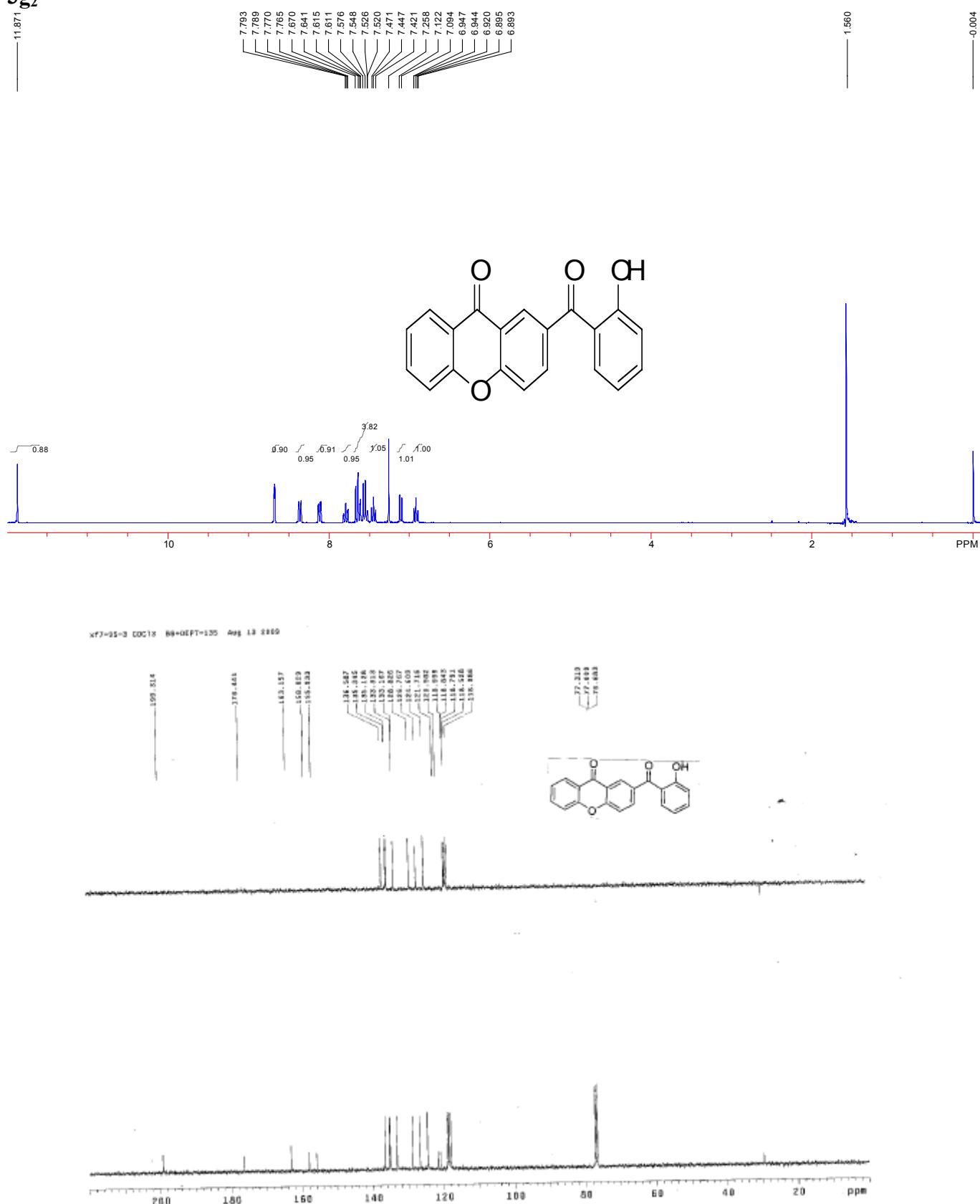


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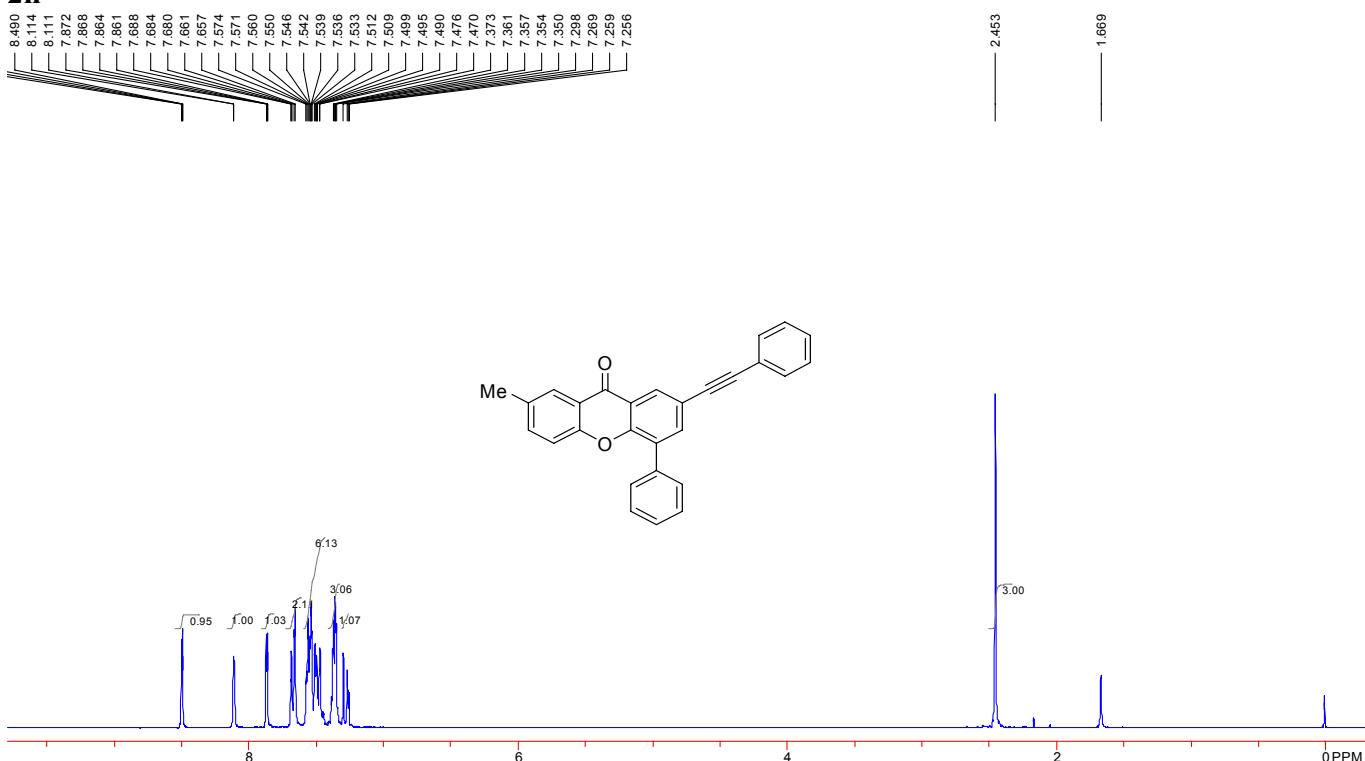




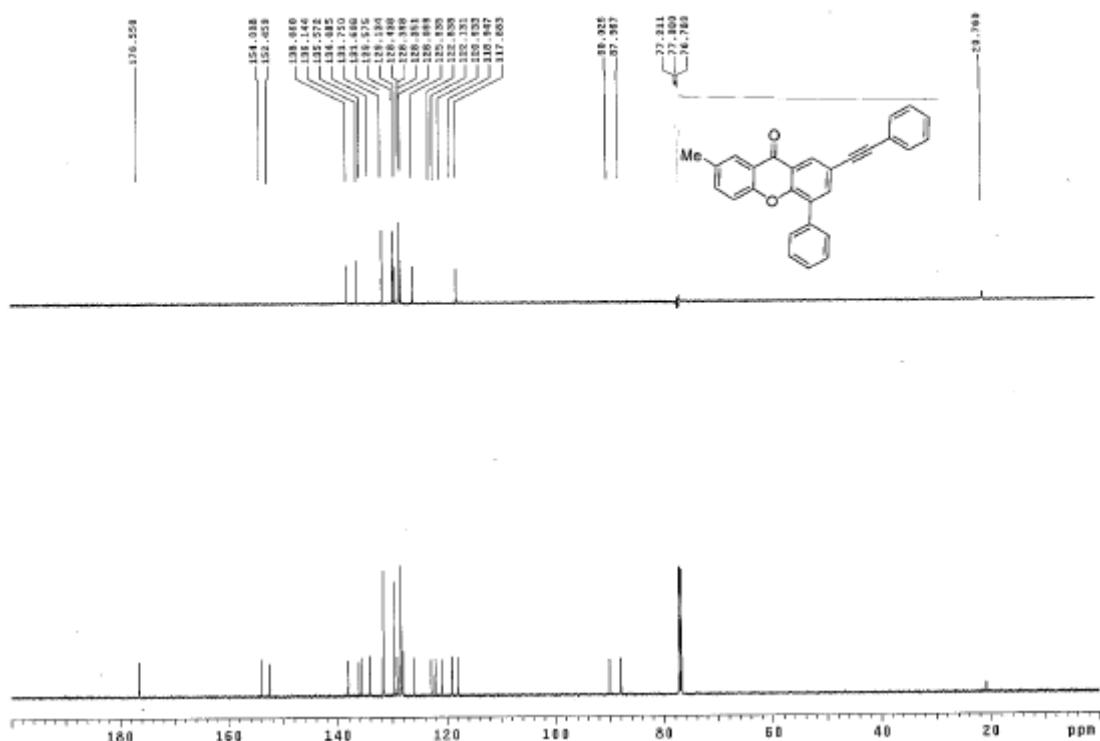
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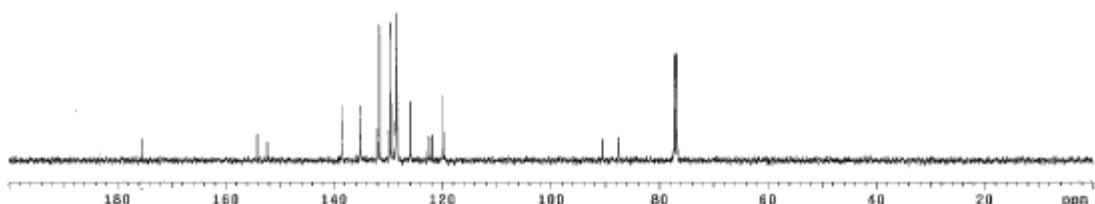
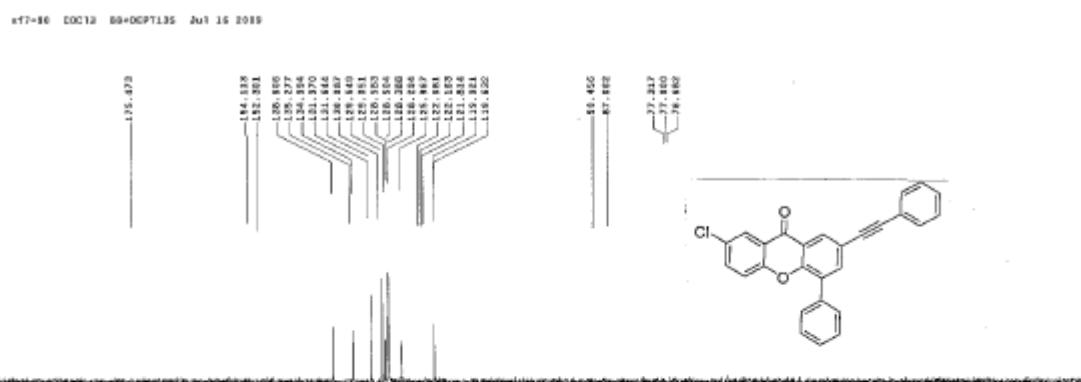
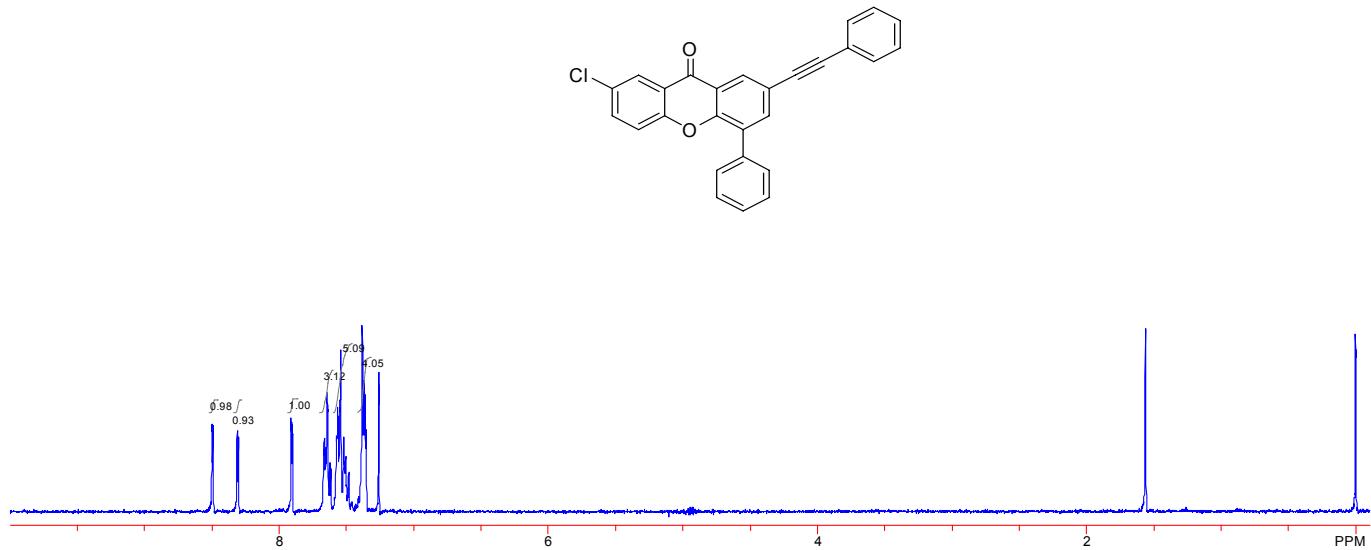
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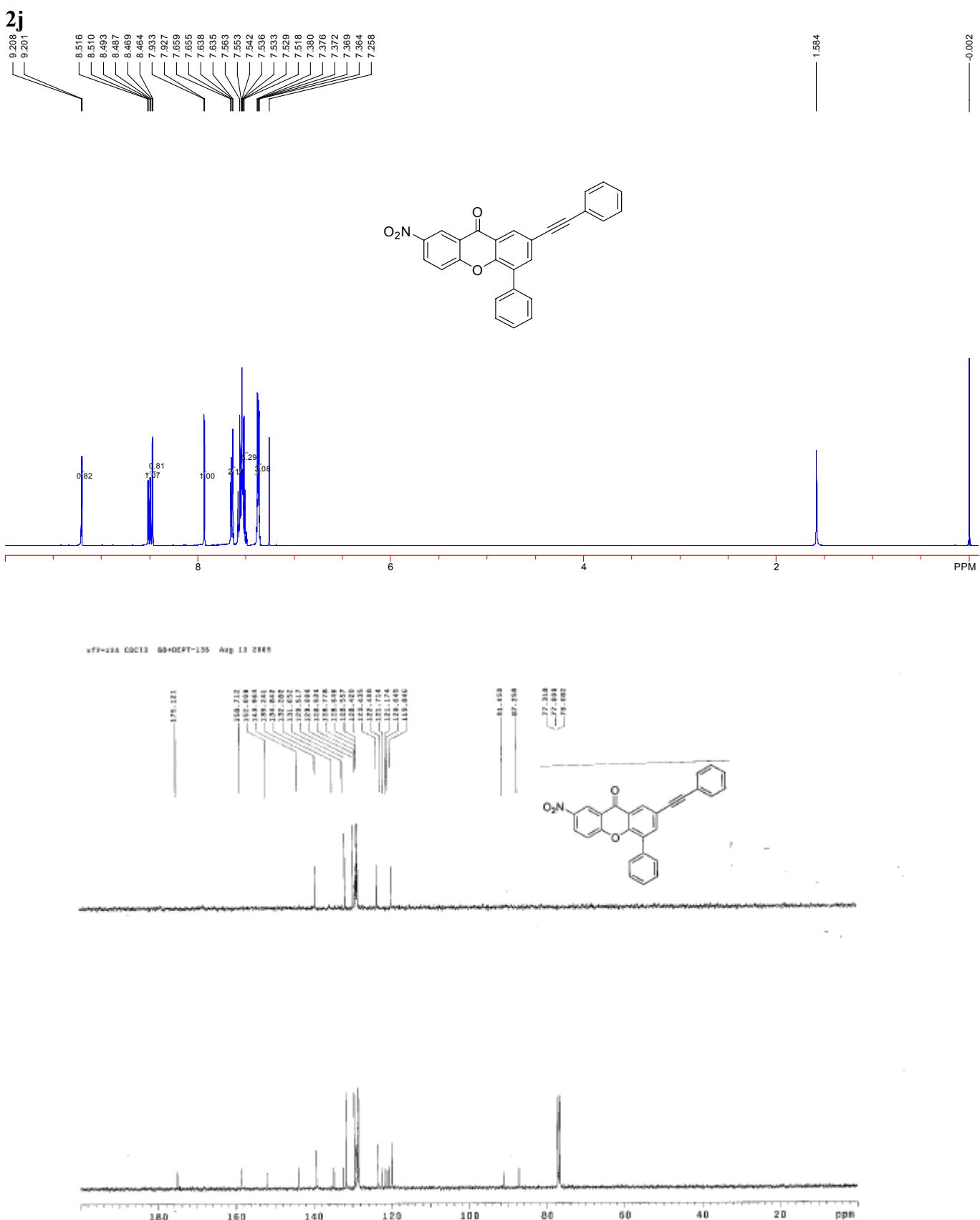


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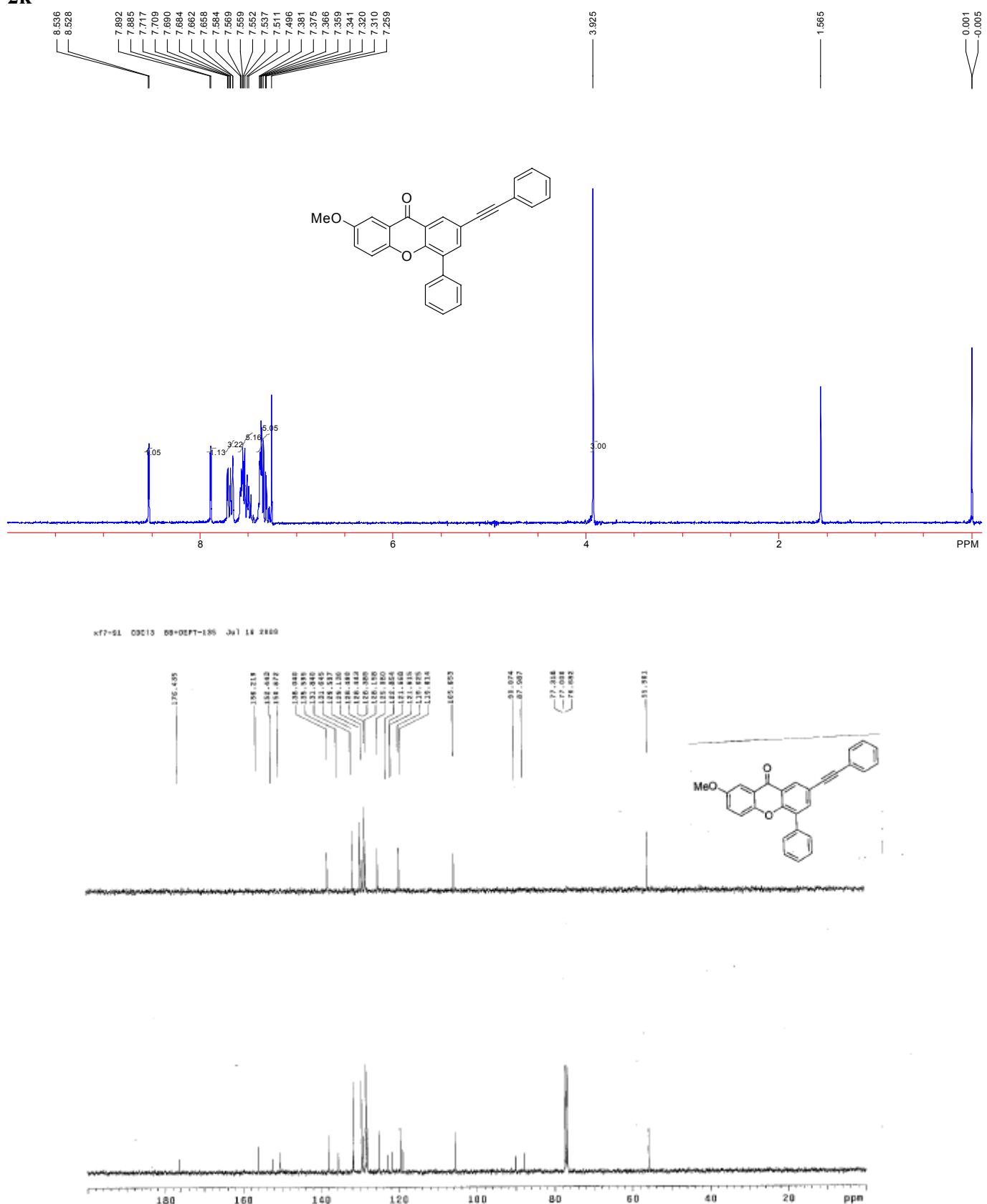


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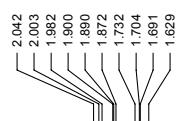
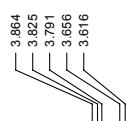
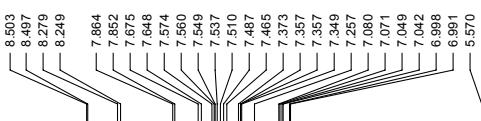




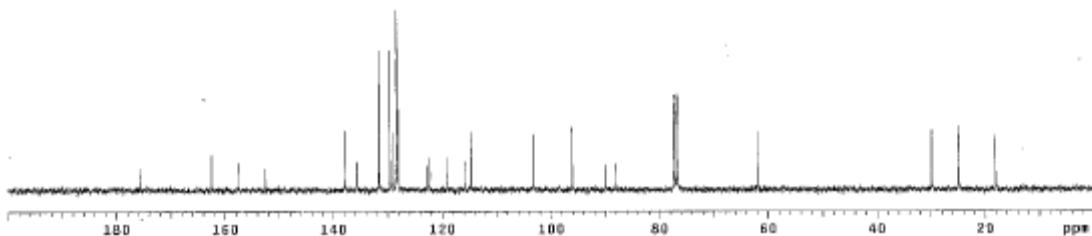
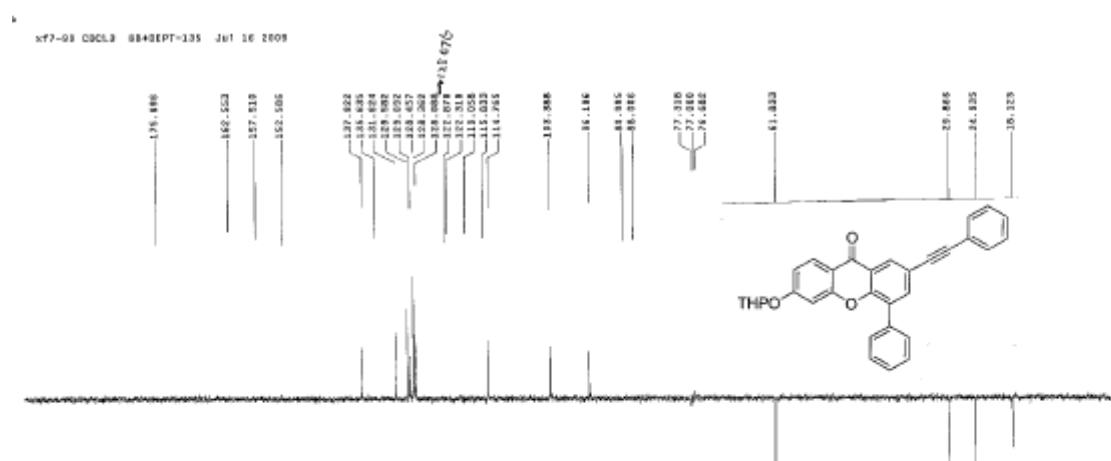
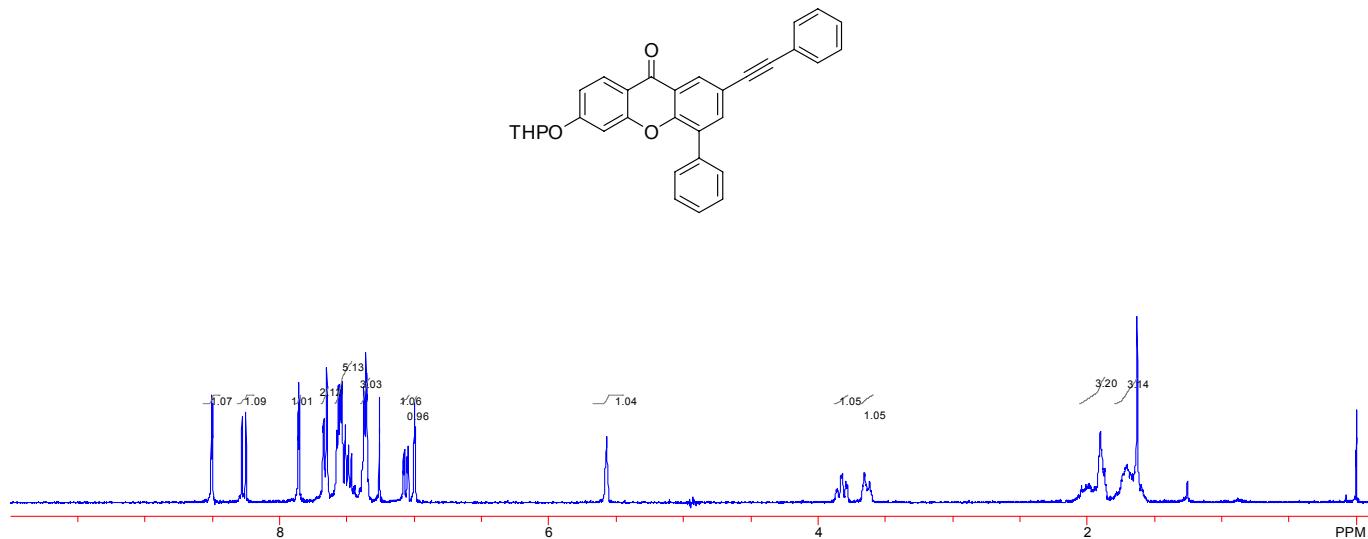
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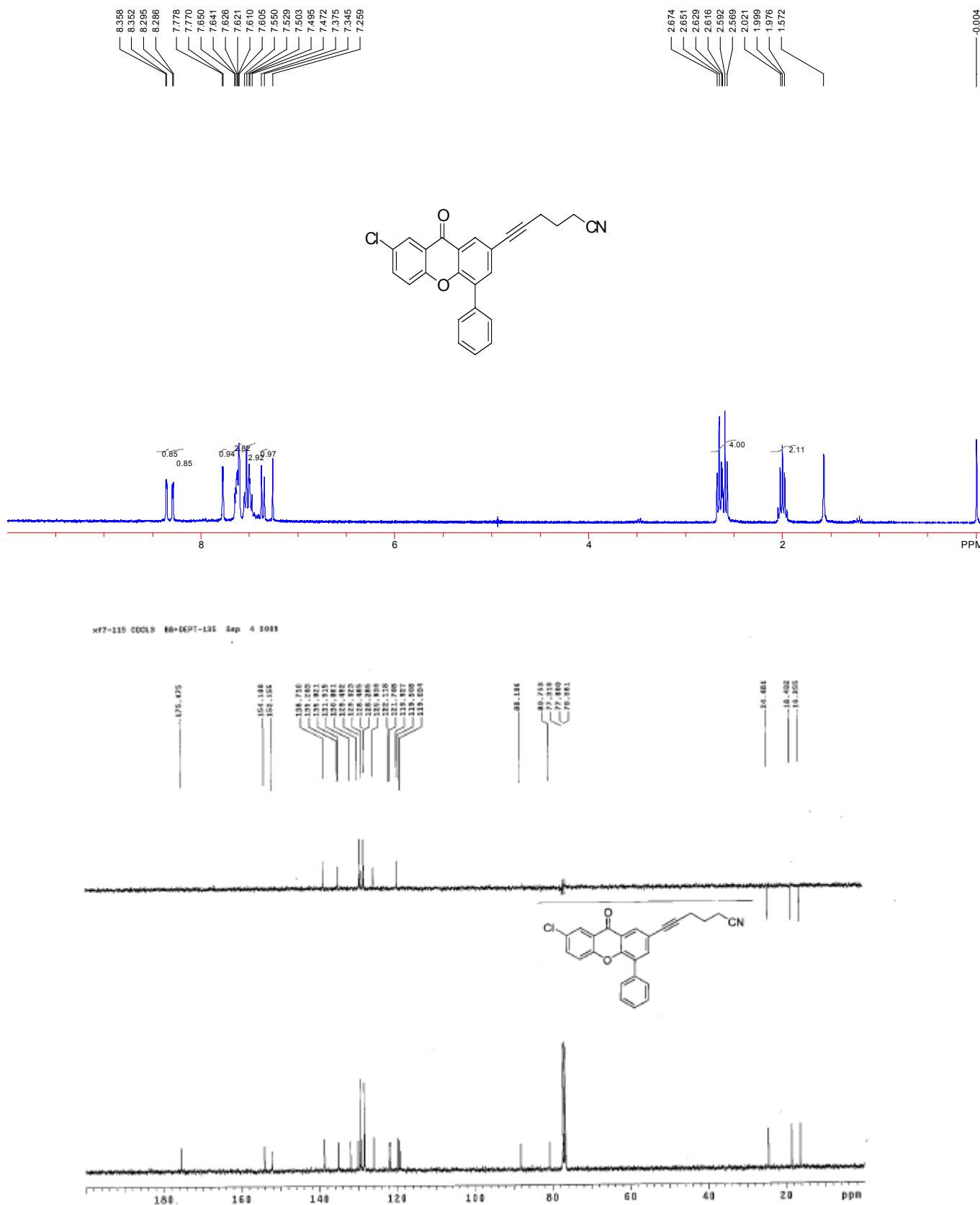
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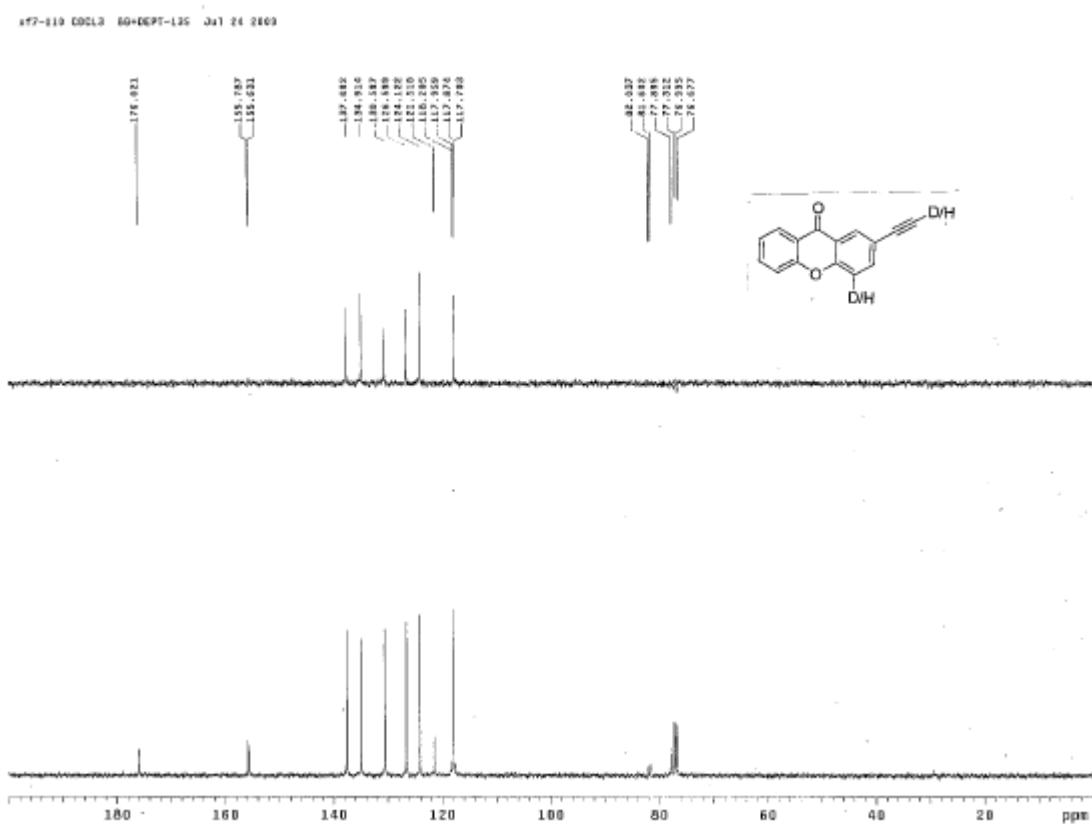
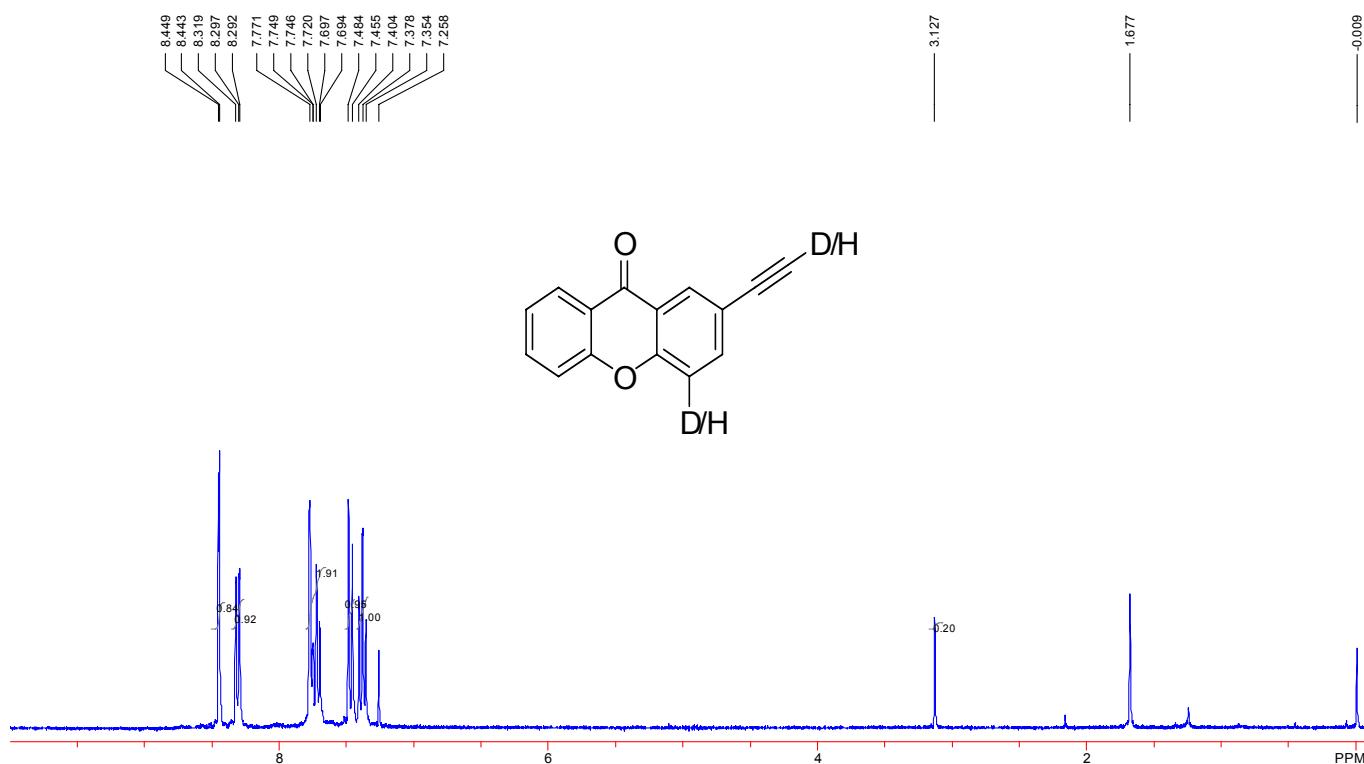
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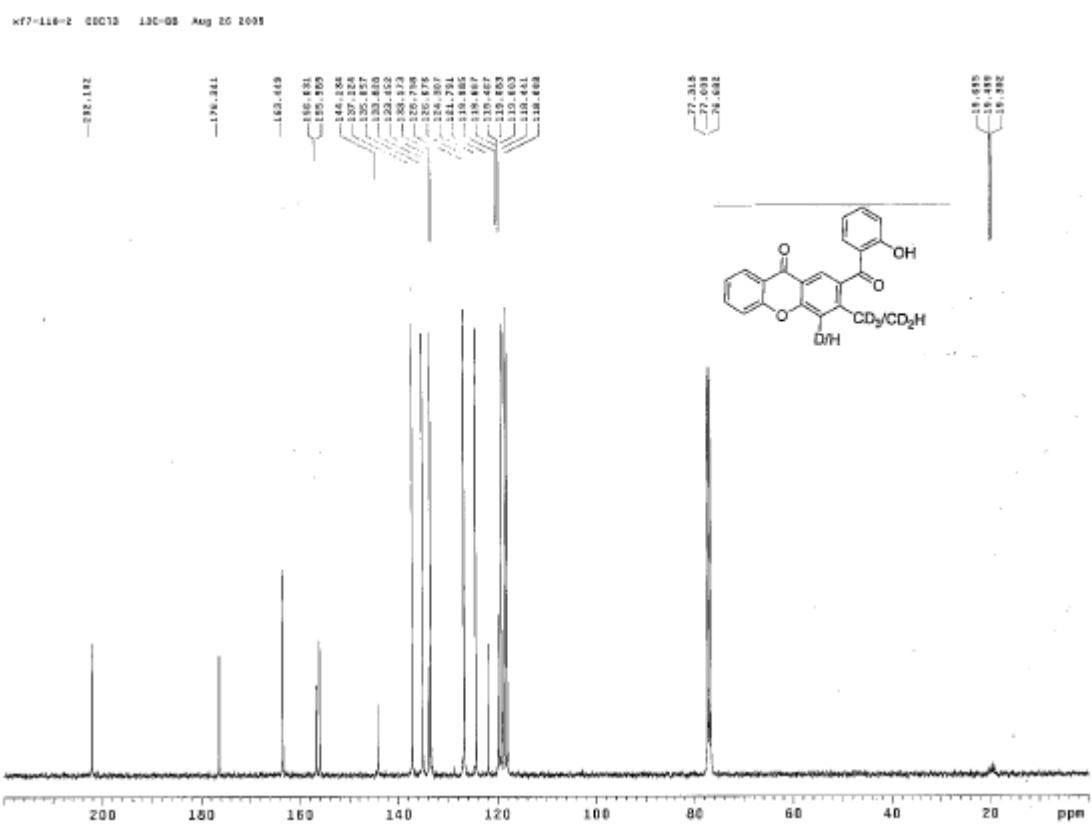
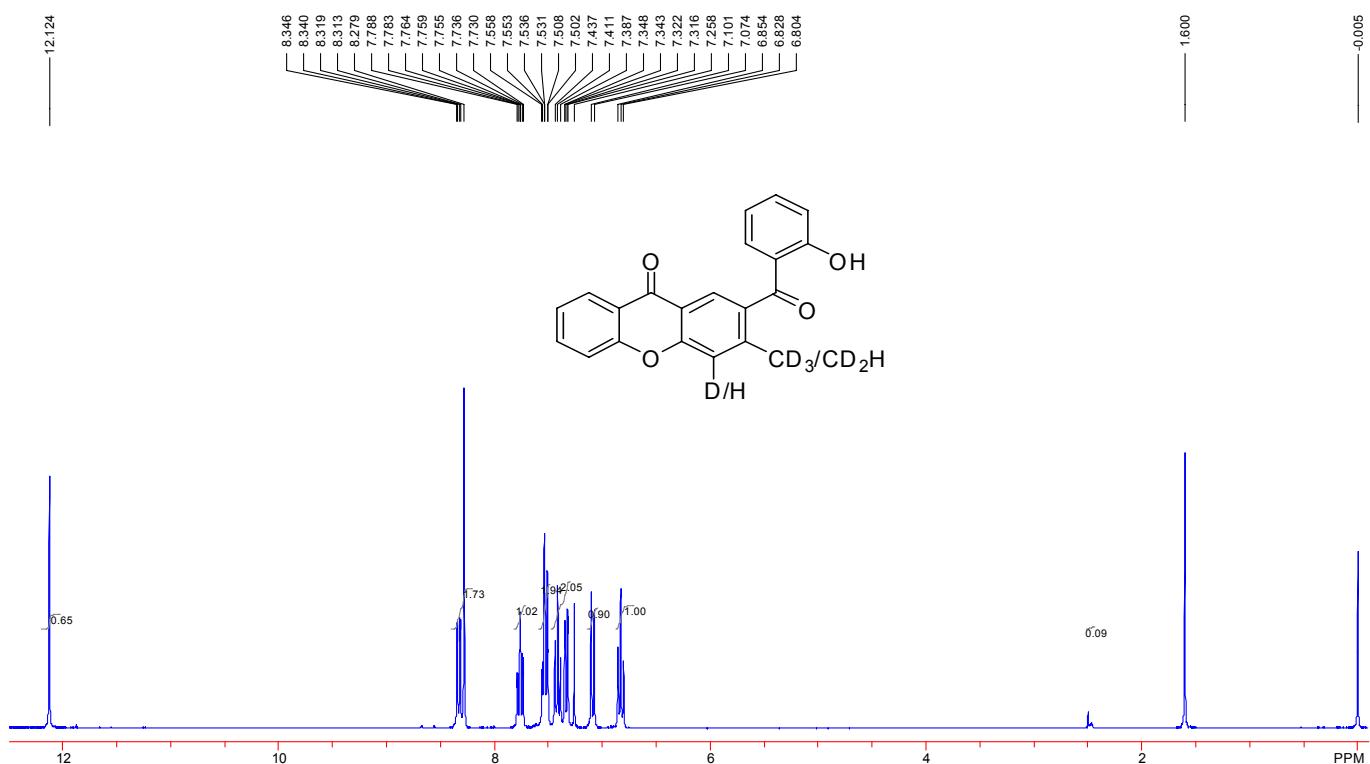
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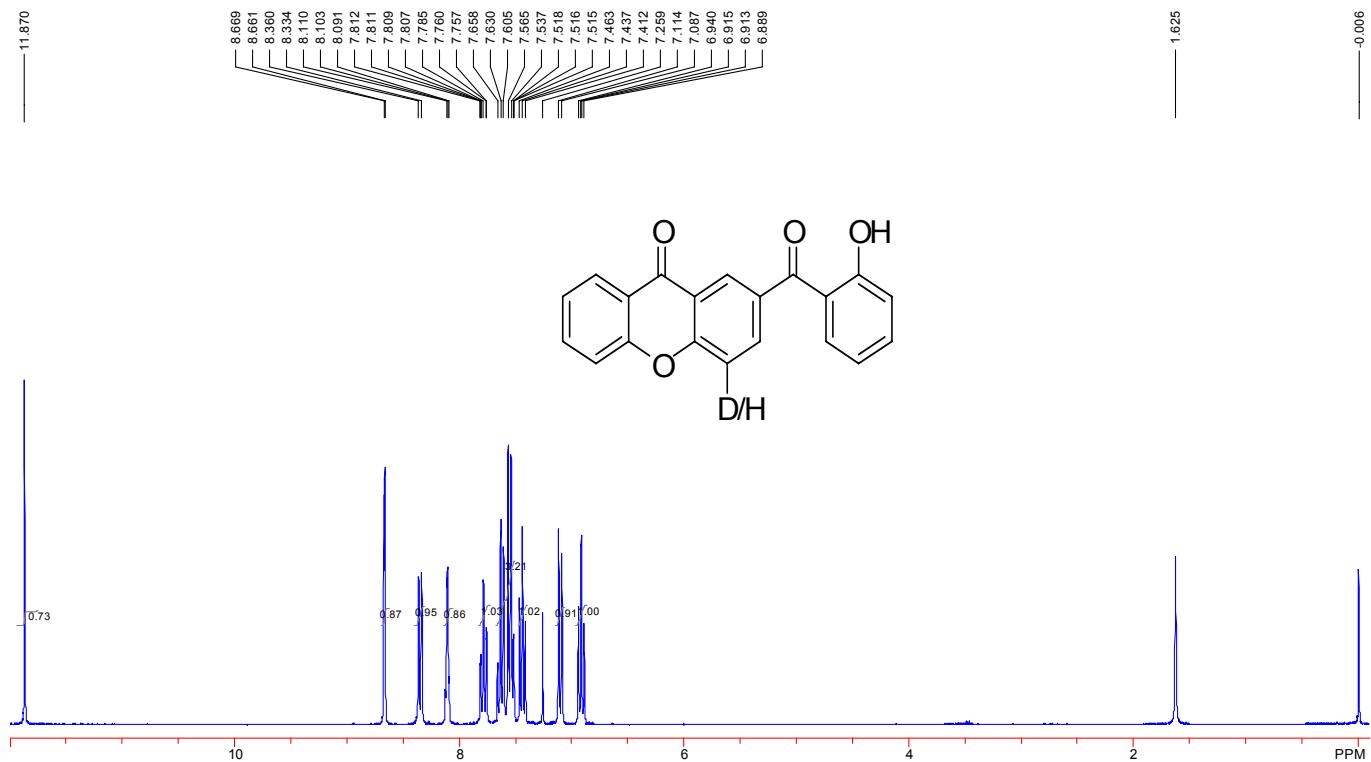
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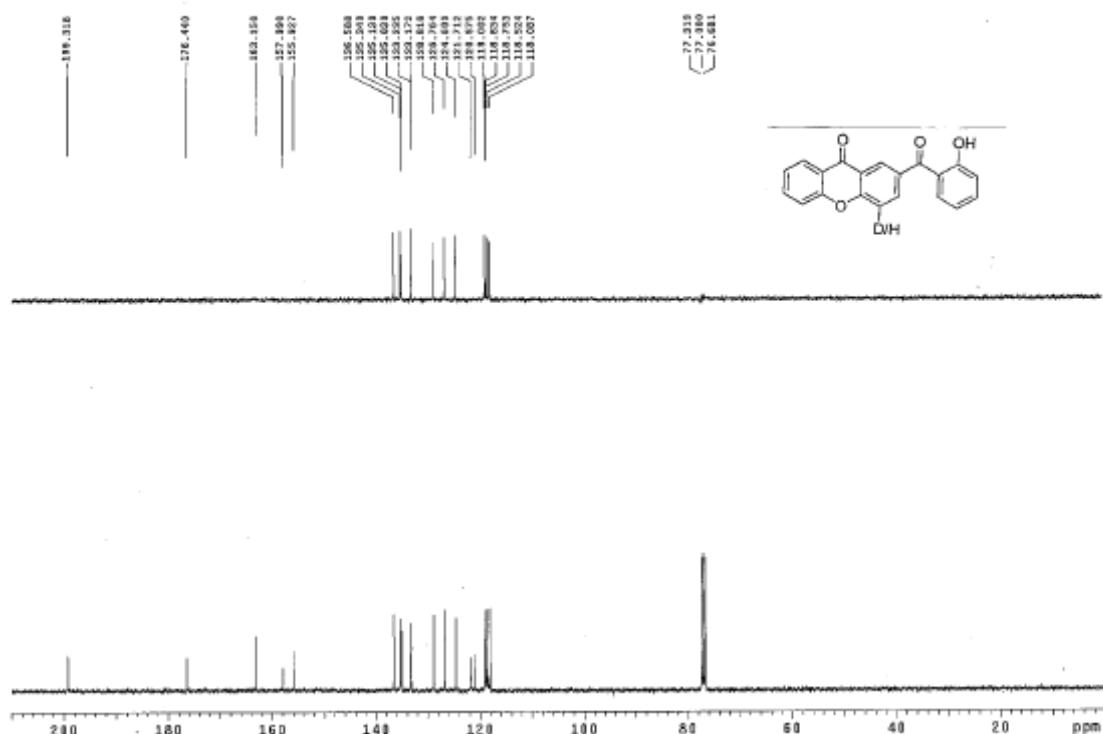
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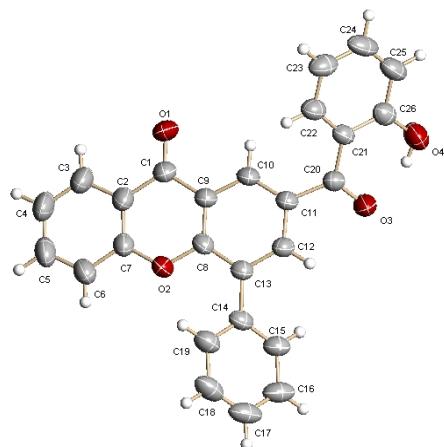
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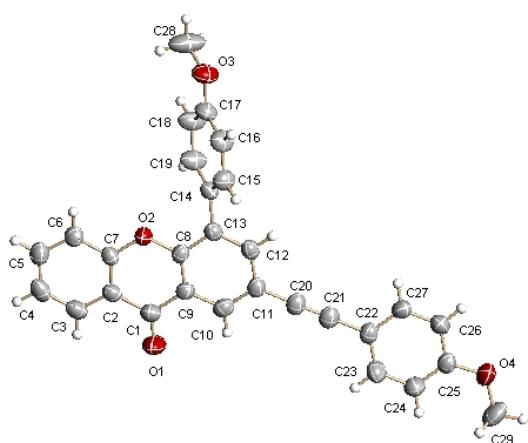
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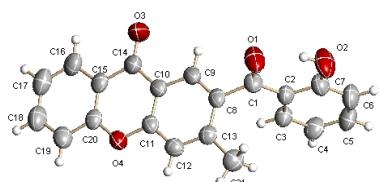
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ORTEP plot of **3g<sub>1</sub>** shown with ellipsoids at the 50%