

Supporting Information

Colour-Responsive Fluorescent Oxy Radical Sensors

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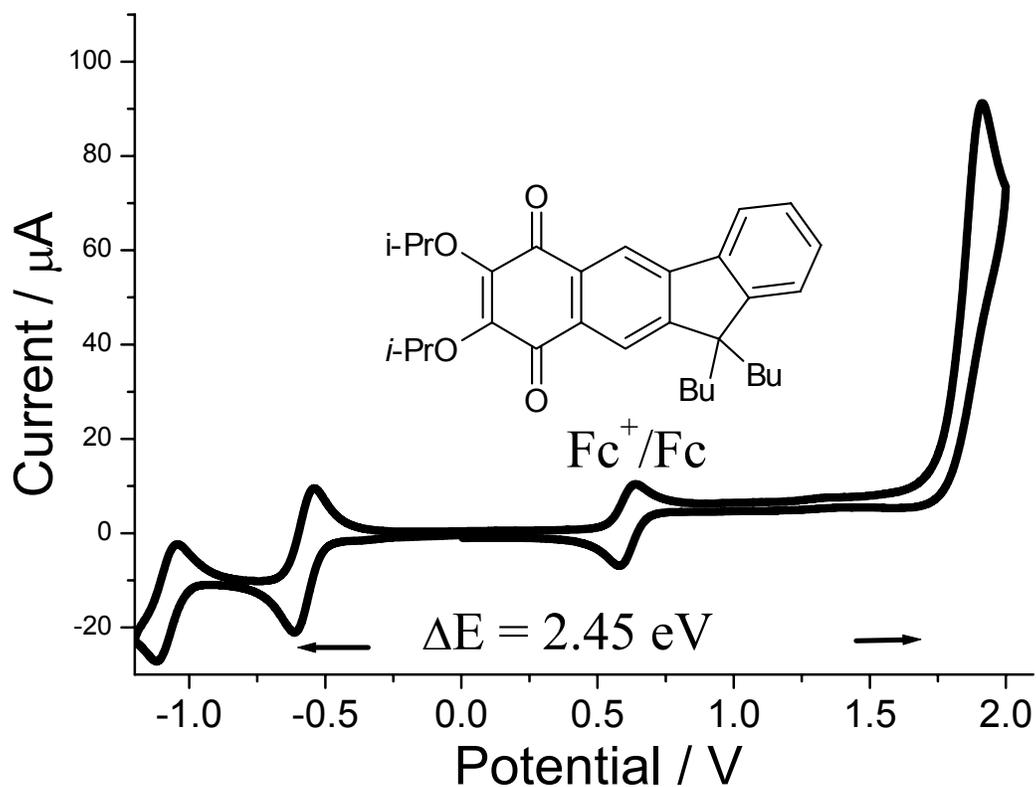
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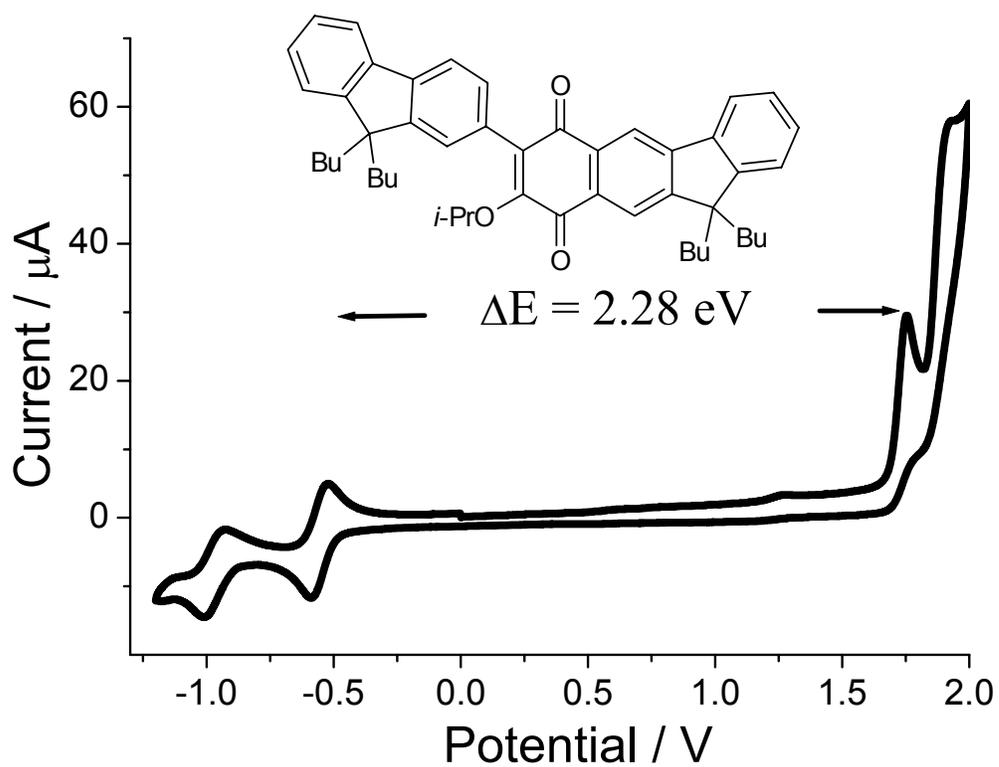
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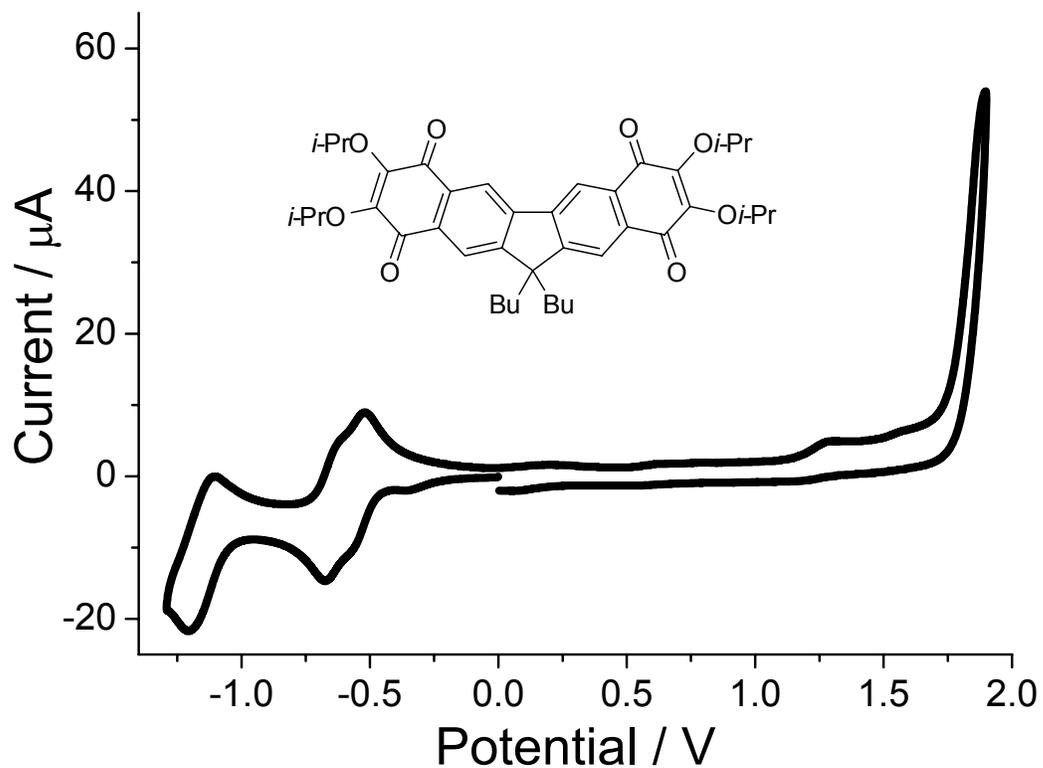
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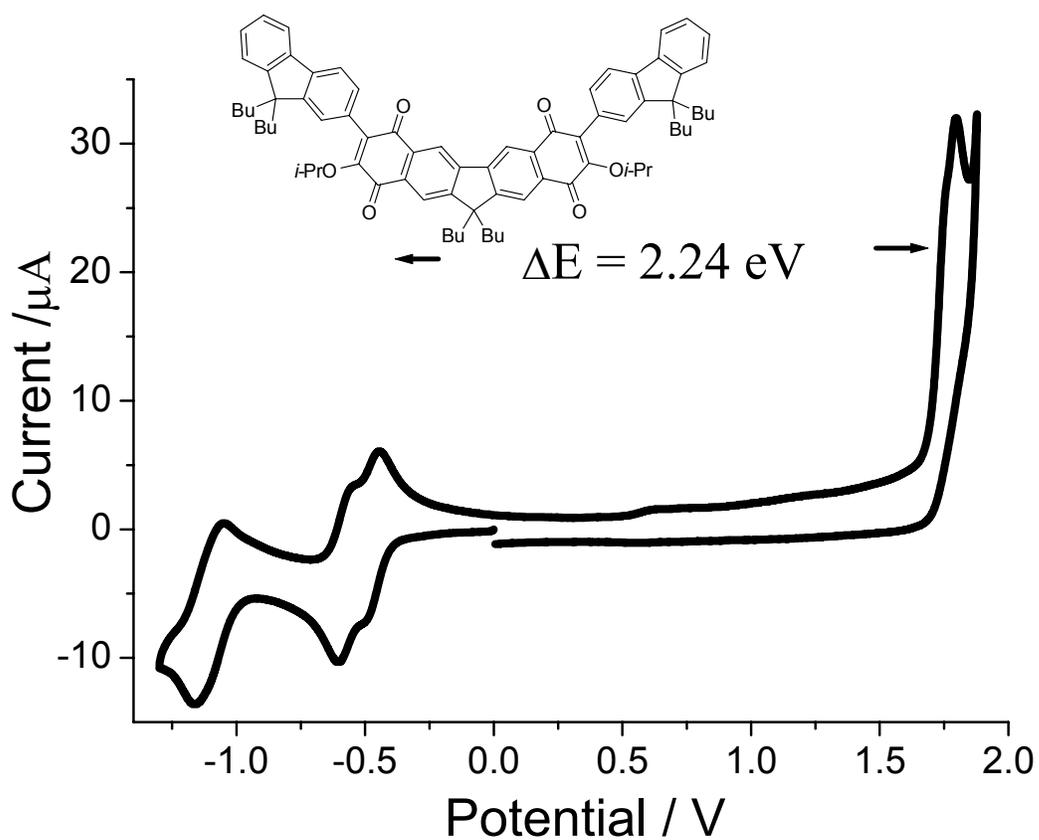
S1. Cyclic voltammogram for **Q1** in dry CH_3CN (0.2 M TBATFB) at a glassy carbon electrode at 50 mV s^{-1} using a silver wire reference.



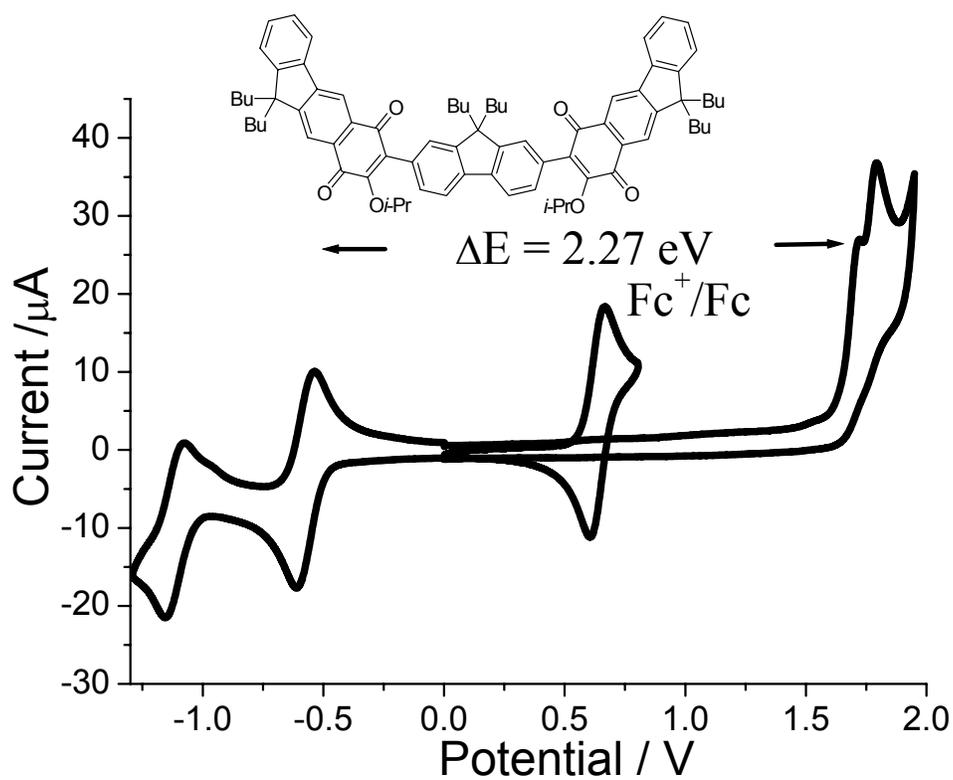
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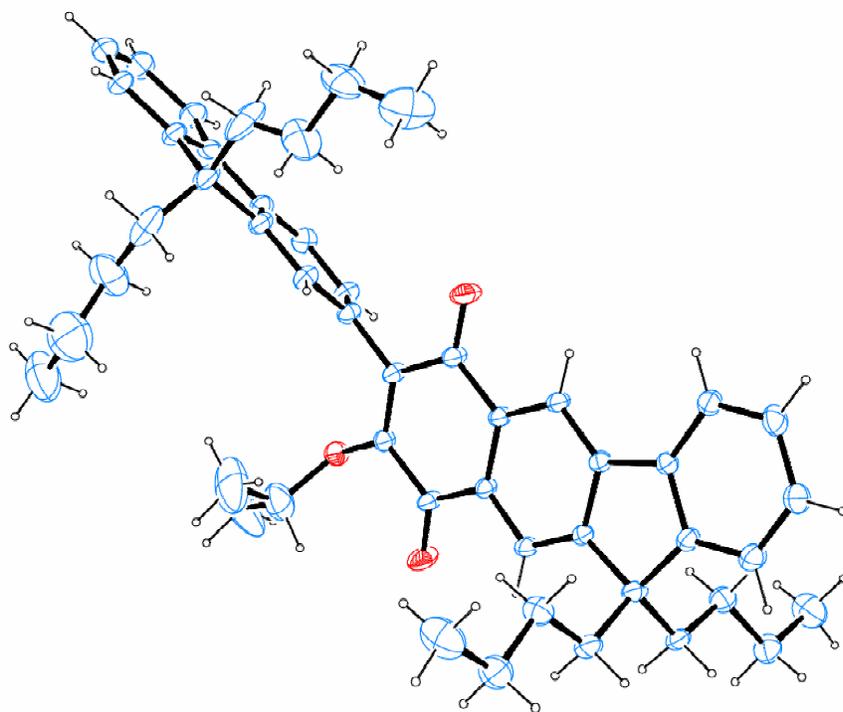
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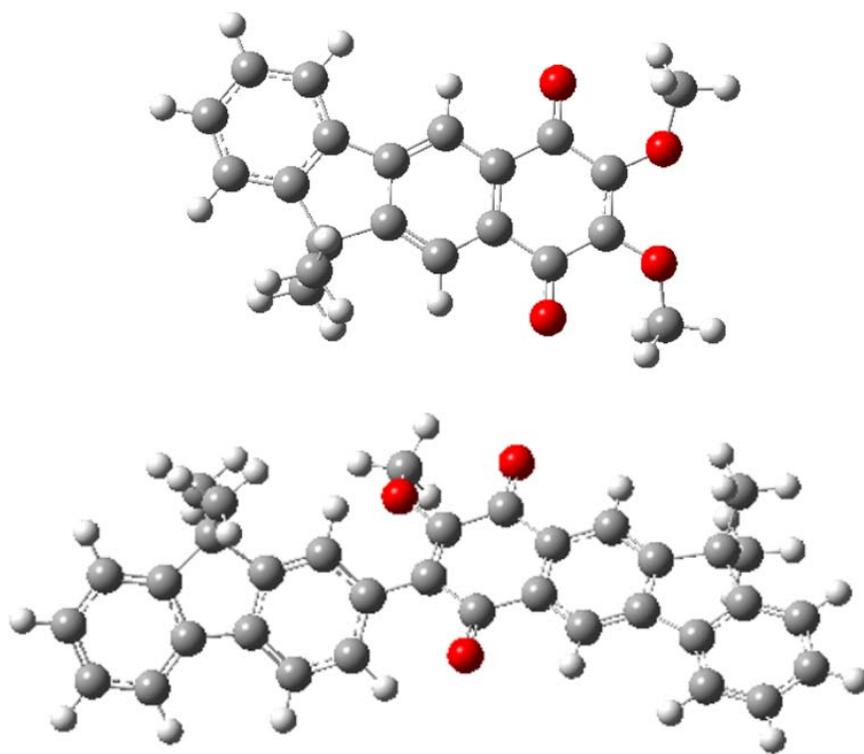
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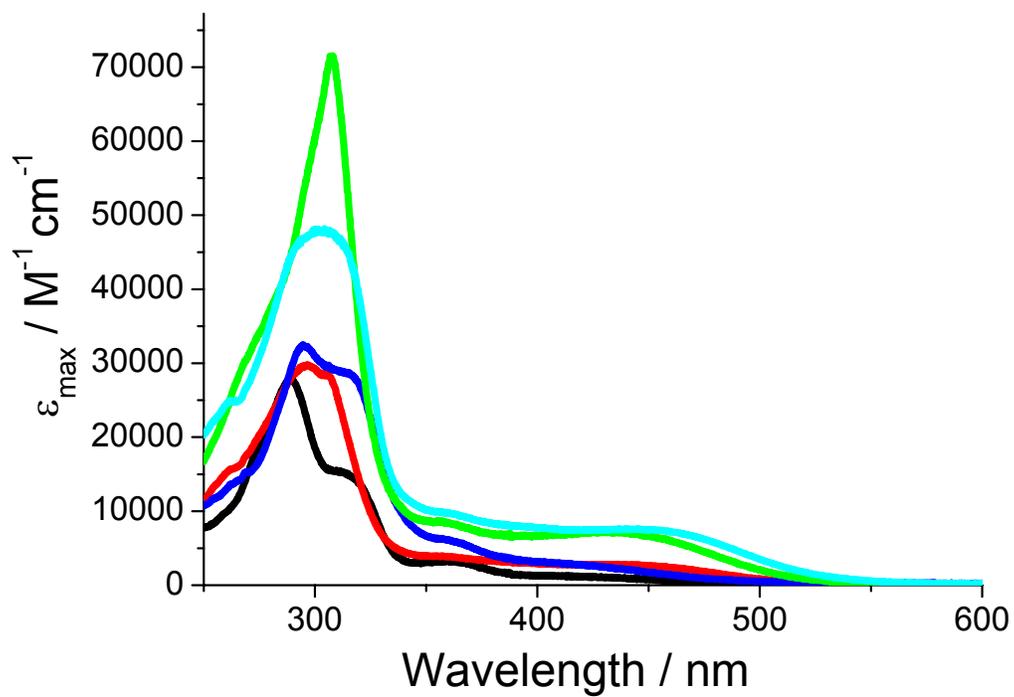
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S6. ORTEP for X-ray determined structure of 14B (Q2). Thermal ellipsoids are shown at 15% probability.



S7. Computer calculated structures for **Q1** (top) and **Q2** (bottom) using DFT (B3LYP) and the 6-311G basis set.



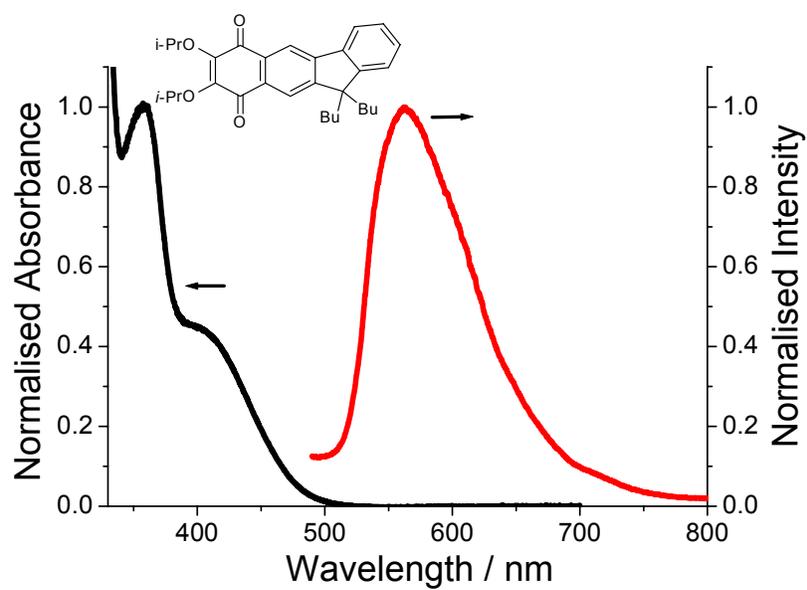
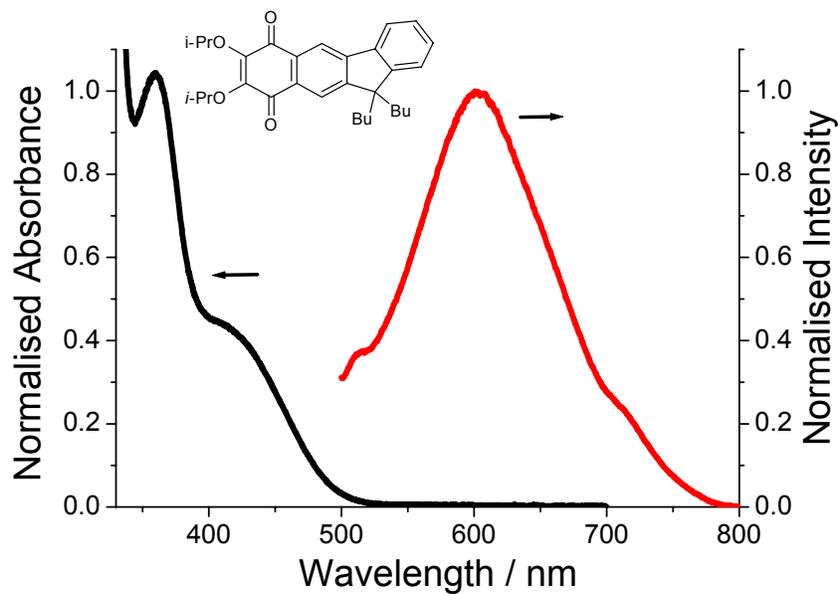
S8. Absorption spectra recorded for **Q1** (black), **Q2** (red), **Q3** (blue), **Q4** (green) and **Q5** (cyano) in MeCN.

Table 2. Photophysical properties collected for **Q2** in a range of solvents.

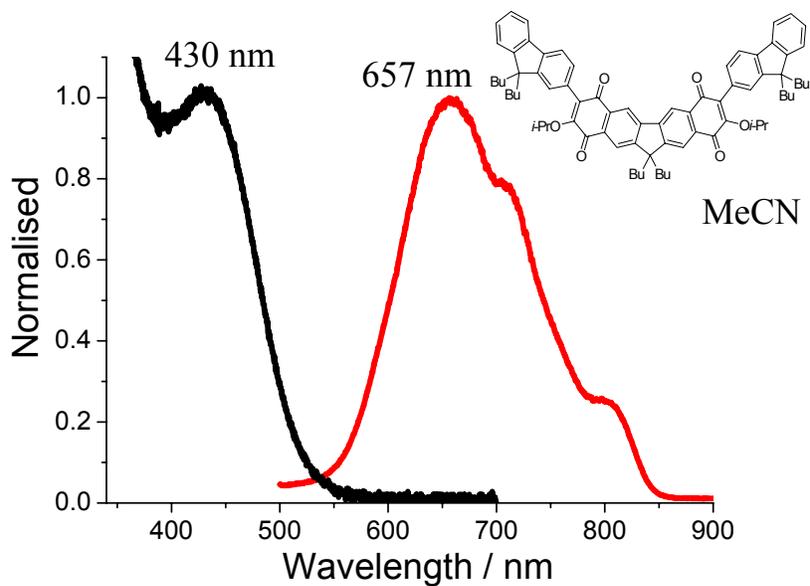
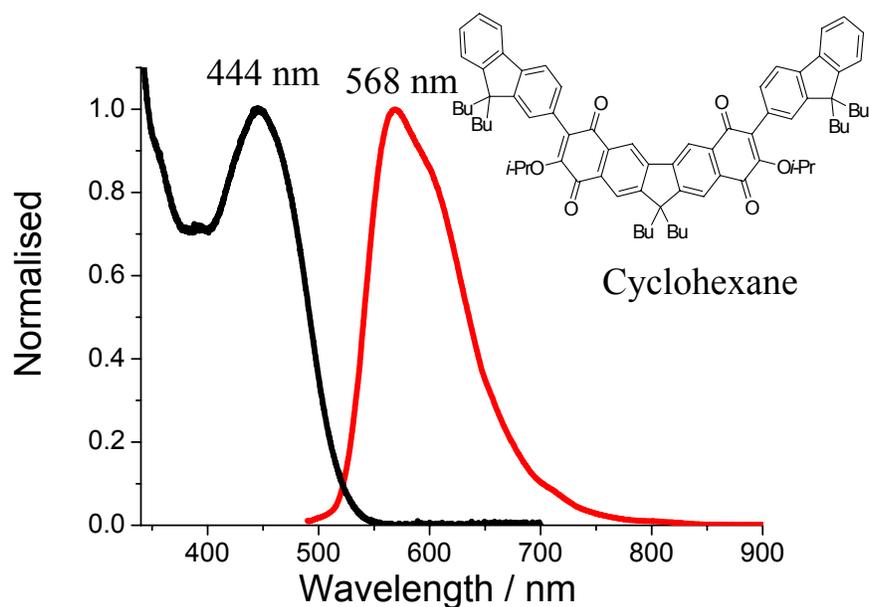
Solvent	n ^a	ε ^b	λ _{ABS} / nm	λ _{EM} / nm	SS / cm ⁻¹	λ _{tot} / eV
THF ^c	1.405	7.58	439	606	6277	0.39
EA ^d	1.372	6.02	439	606	6277	0.39
DCM ^e	1.431	9.1	446	632	6599	0.41 (0.47) ^j
MeTHF ^f	1.403	6.97	441	598	5954	0.37
Bu ₂ O	1.399	3.1	446	585	5328	0.33
DMF ^g	1.431	36.7	430	640	7631	0.47
MeCN	1.344	37.5	433	644	7567	0.47
CHX ^h	1.426	2.02	467	561	3588	0.22
Toluene	1.493	2.4	447	595	5564	0.34
Pentane	1.358	2.1	438	556	4845	0.30
CCl ₄	1.460	2.2	459	587	4750	0.29

^arefractive index, ^bdielectric constant, ^cTetrahydrofuran, ^dethyl acetate, ^edichloromethane,

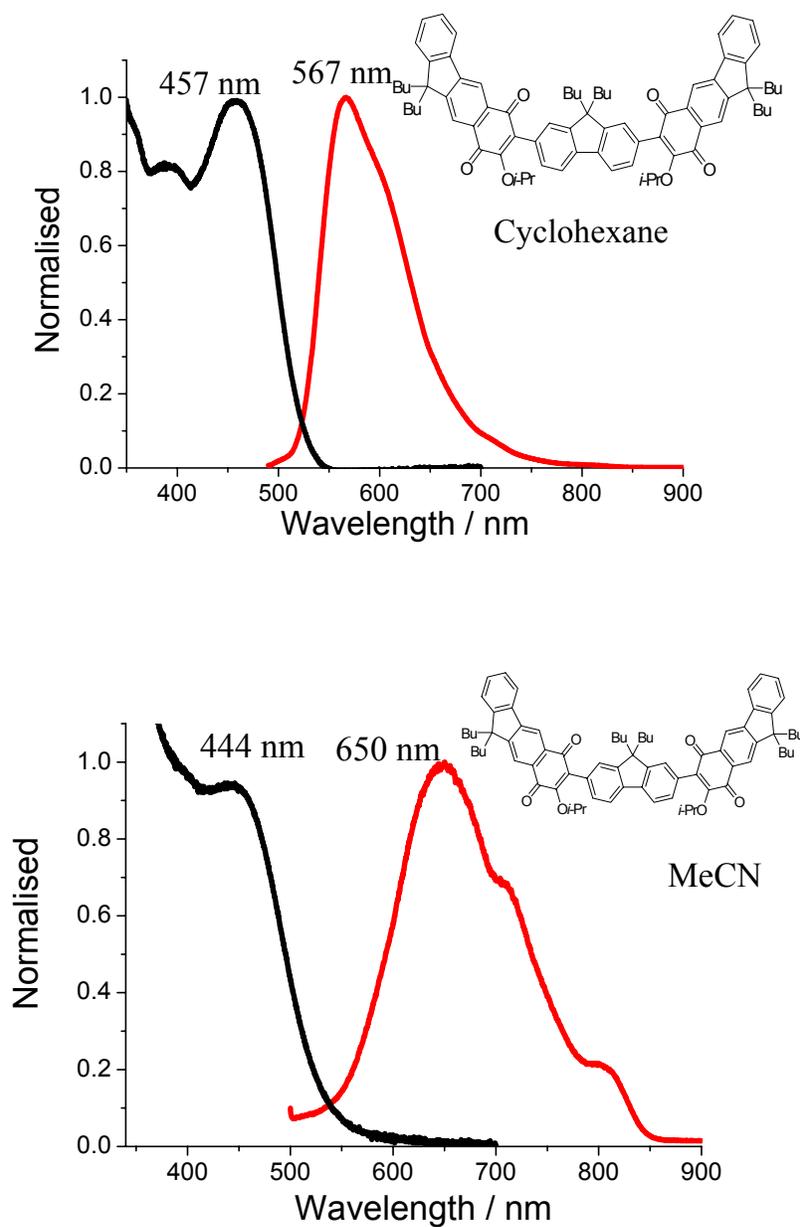
^fmethyltetrahydrofuran, ^gN,N-dimethylformamide, ^hcyclohexane. ^jcalculated by $\lambda_{\text{tot}} = \lambda_{\text{ABS}} - \Delta E$



S9. Absorption and emission profiles recorded for **Q1** in MeCN (top) and cyclohexane (bottom).



S10. Absorption and emission profiles recorded for **Q4** in cyclohexane (top) and MeCN (bottom).



S11. Absorption and emission profiles recorded for **Q5** in cyclohexane (top) and MeCN (bottom)

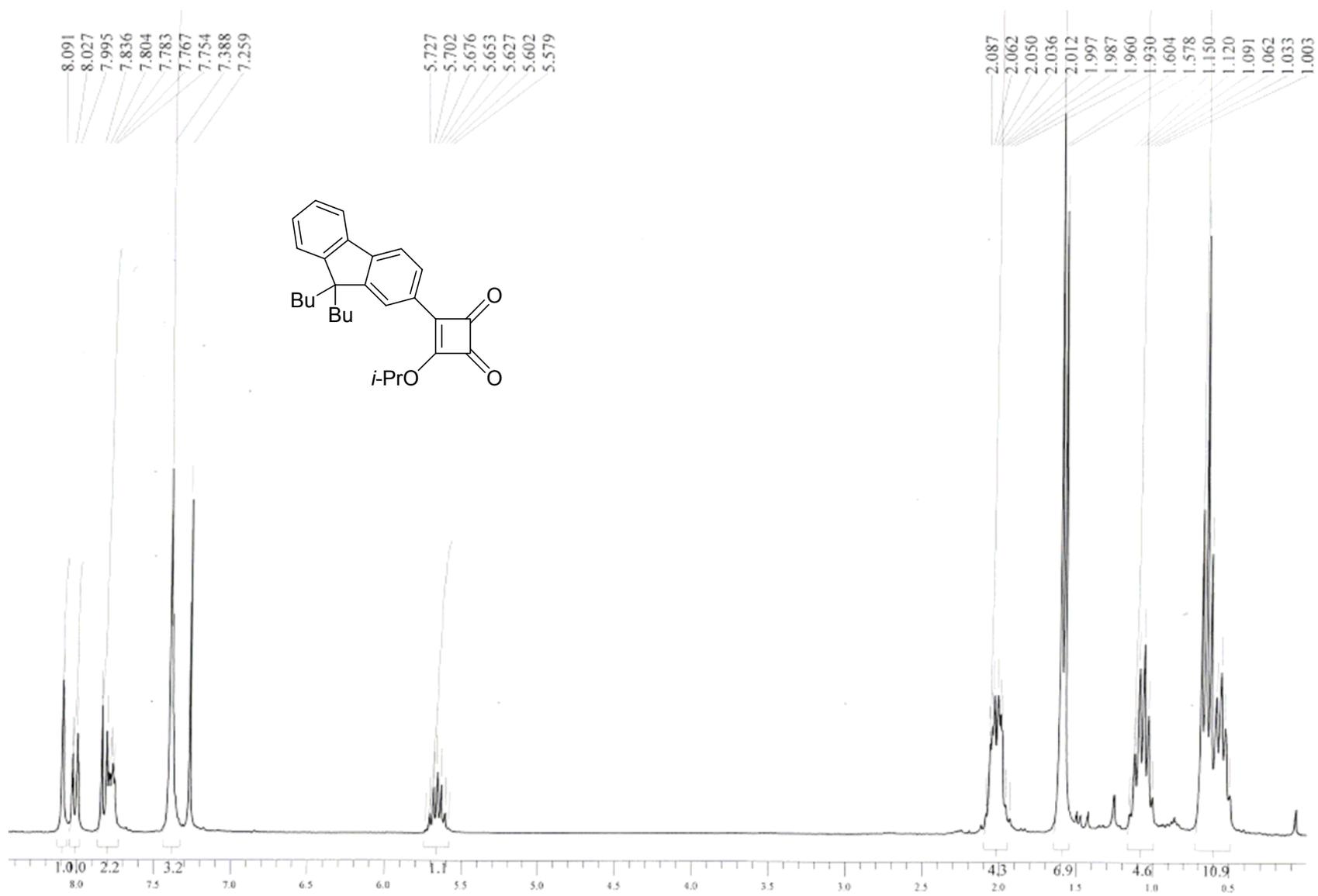


Figure S1. ¹H NMR spectrum of compound **8B**.

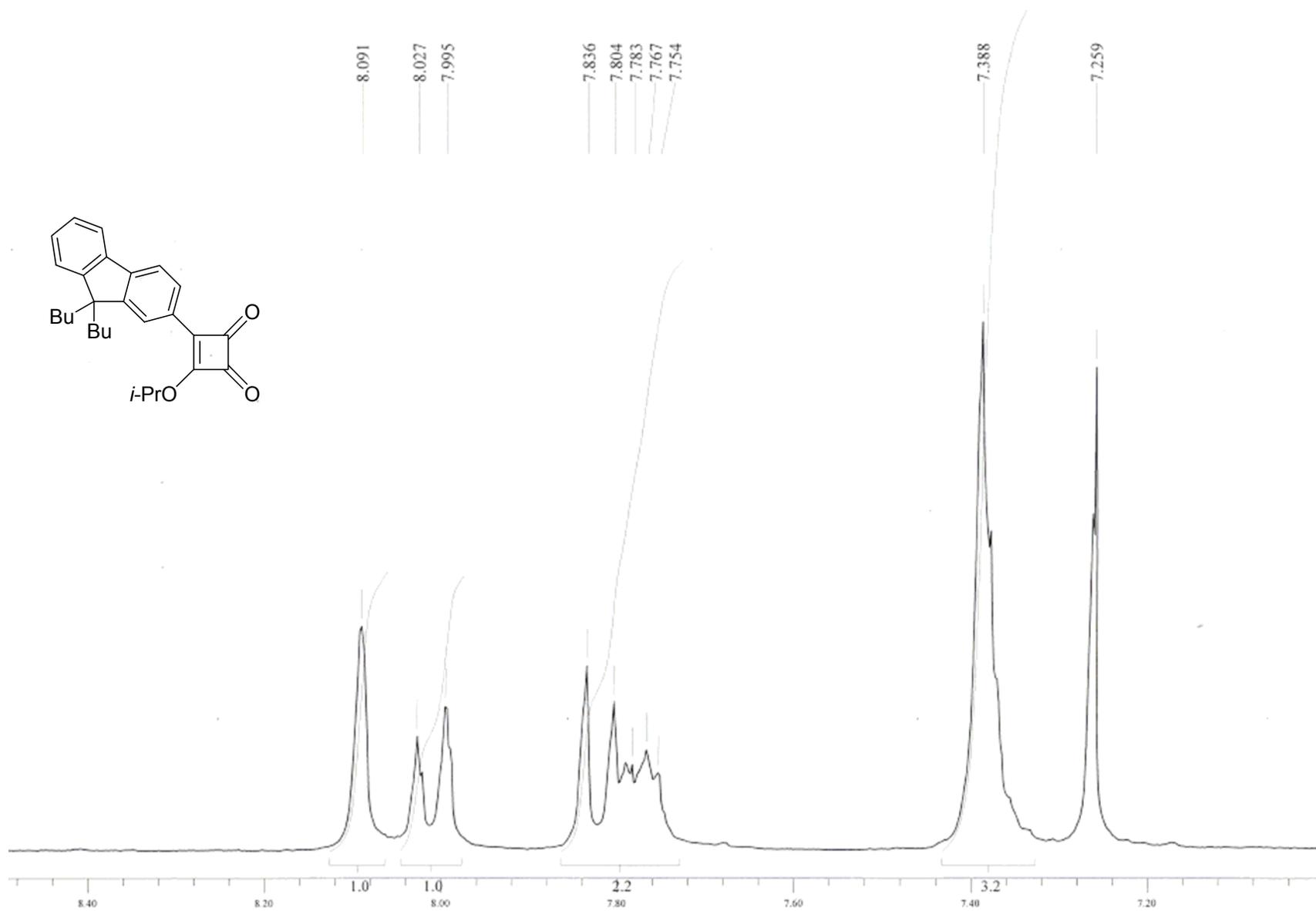


Figure S2. ¹H NMR spectrum of compound **8B** (8.5–7.0 ppm).

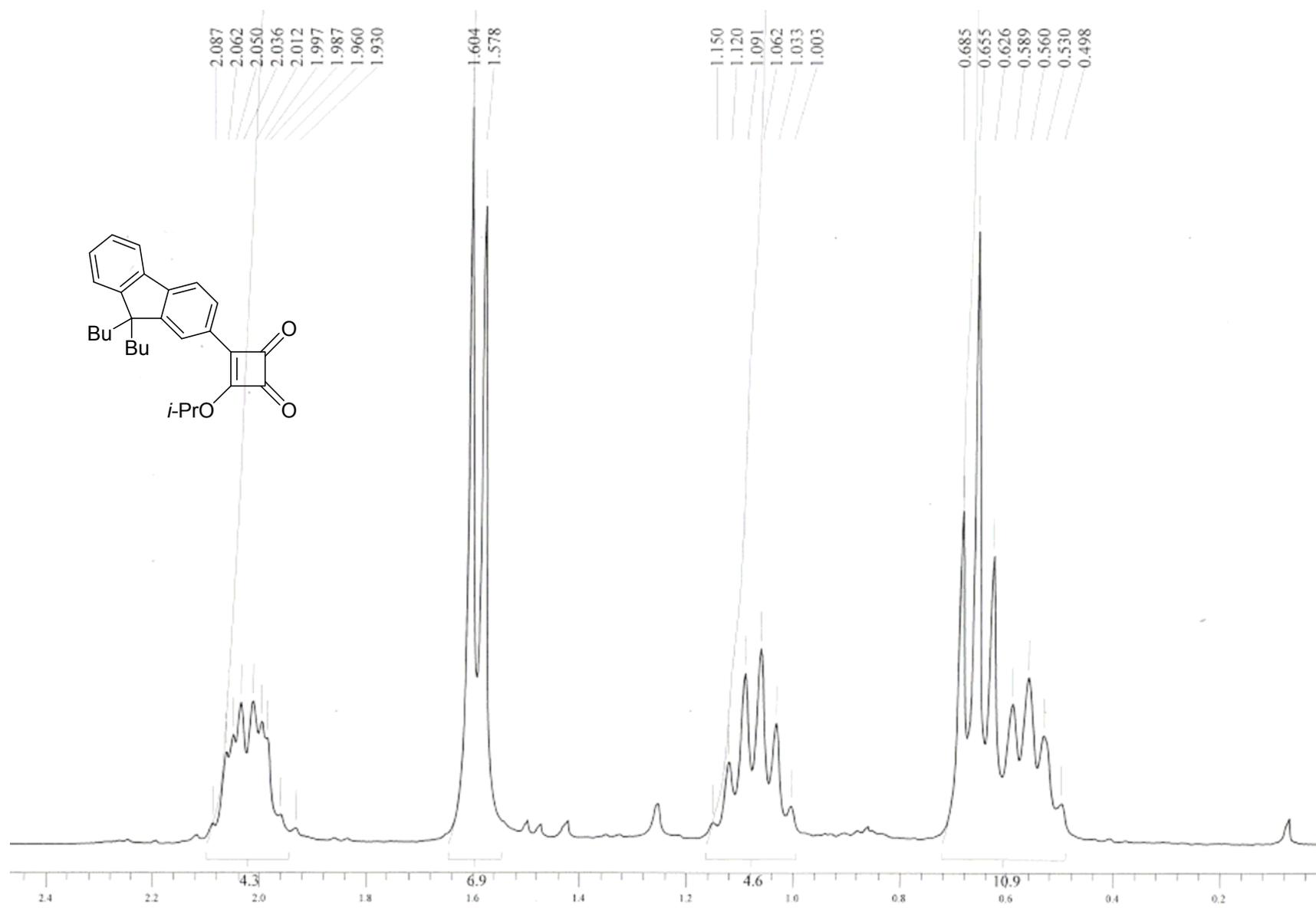


Figure S3. ¹H NMR spectrum of compound **8B** (2.5–0.0 ppm).

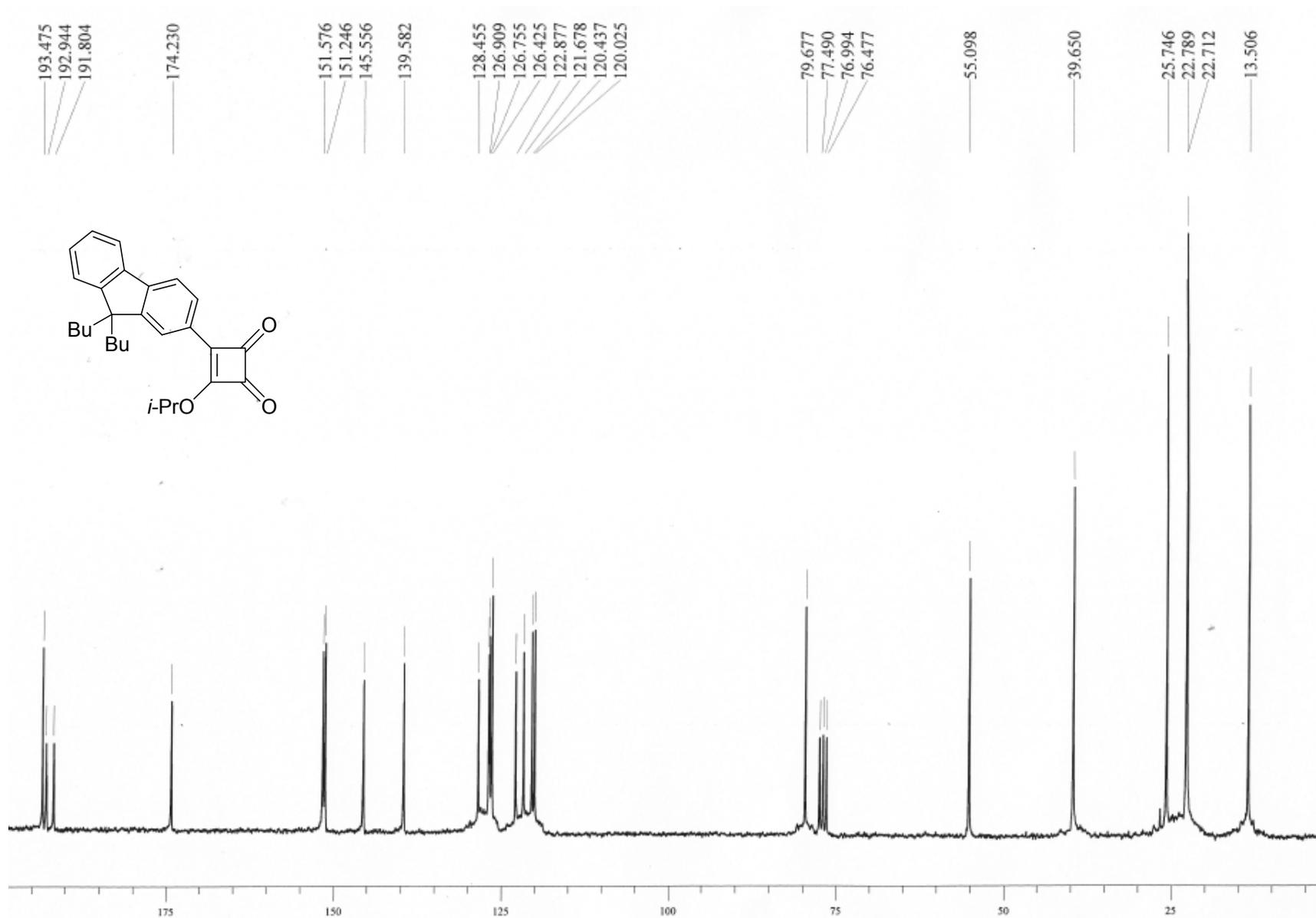


Figure S4. ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound **8B**.

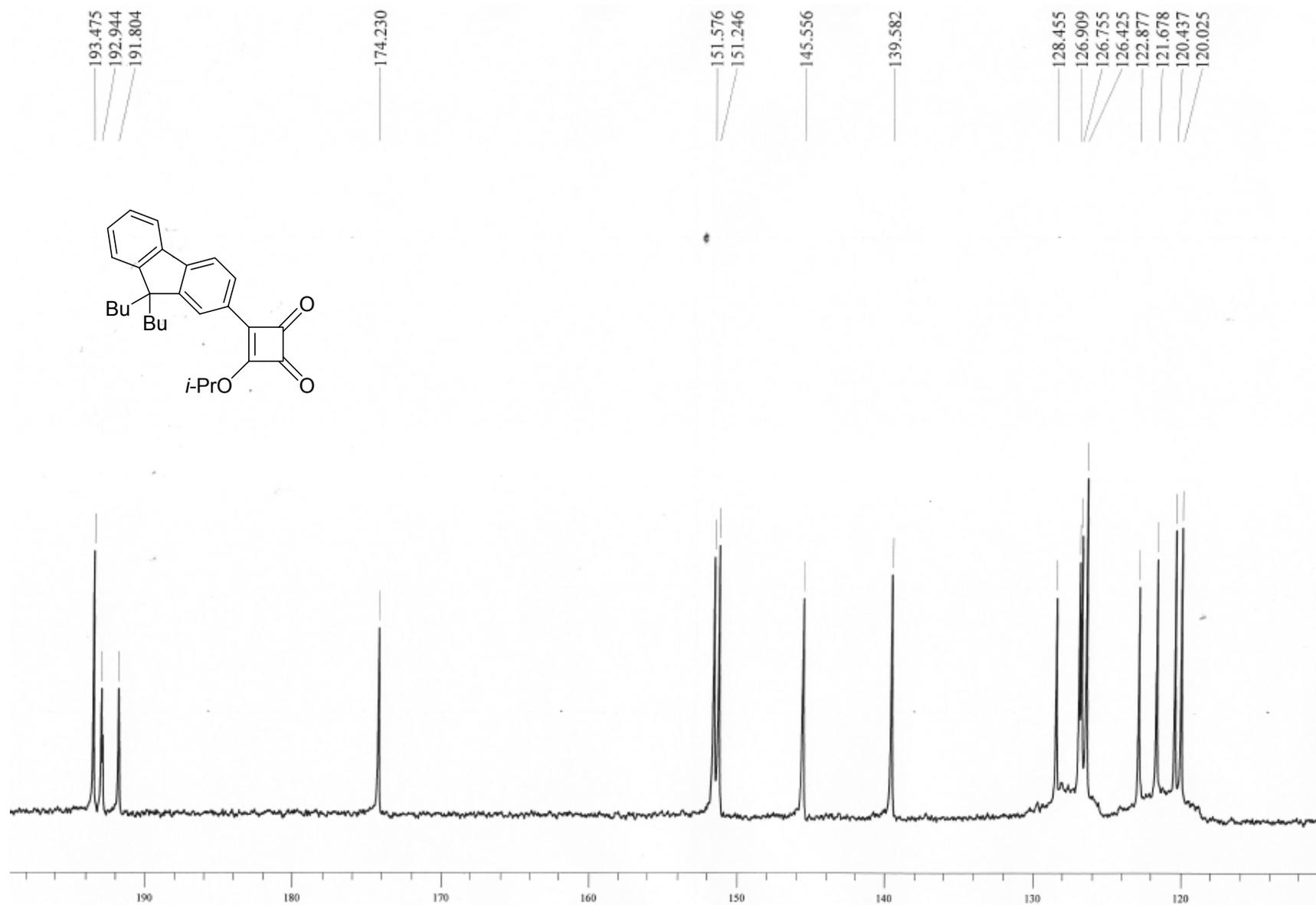


Figure S5. ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound **8B** (200–110 ppm).

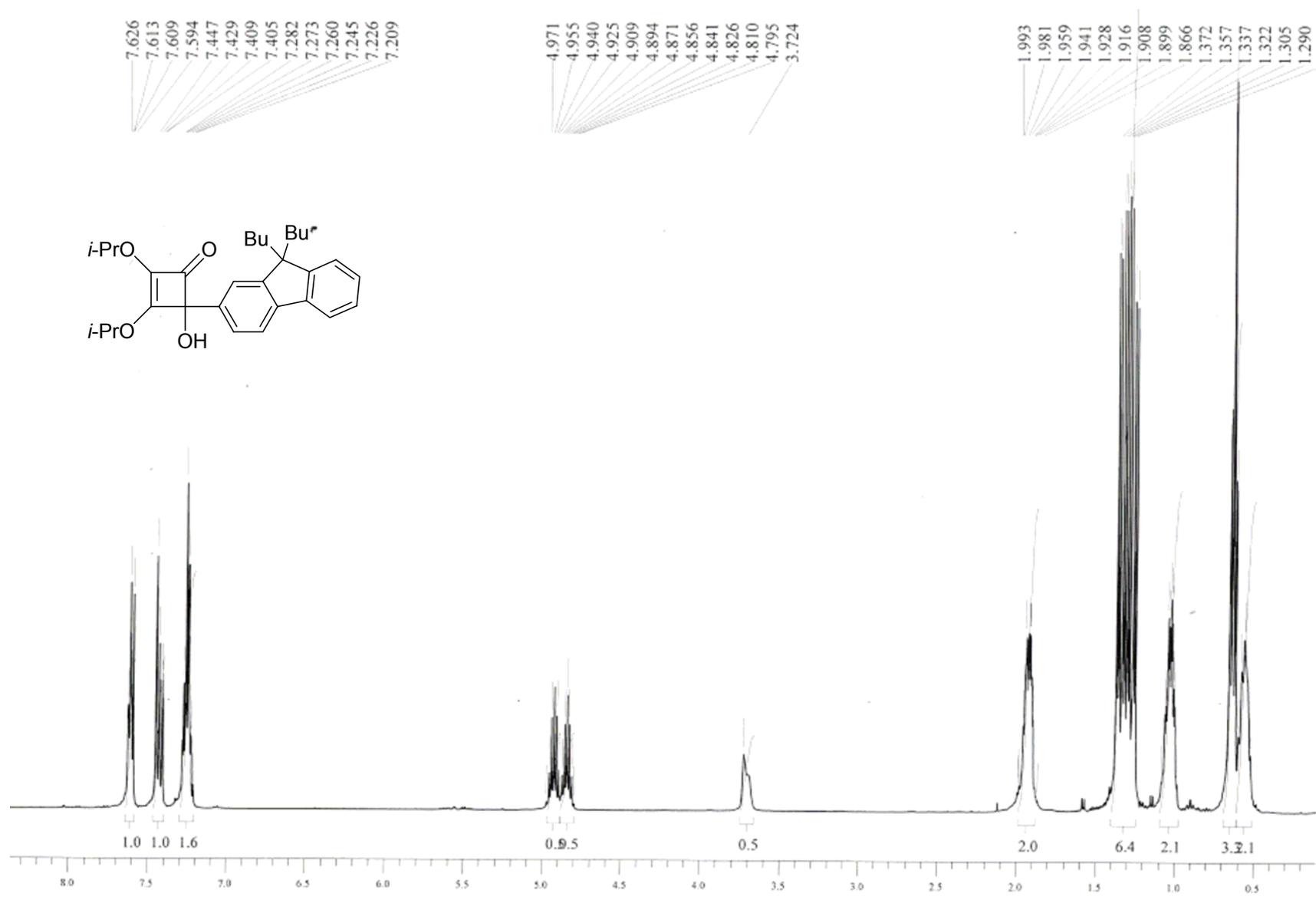


Figure S6. ¹H NMR spectrum of compound 9A.

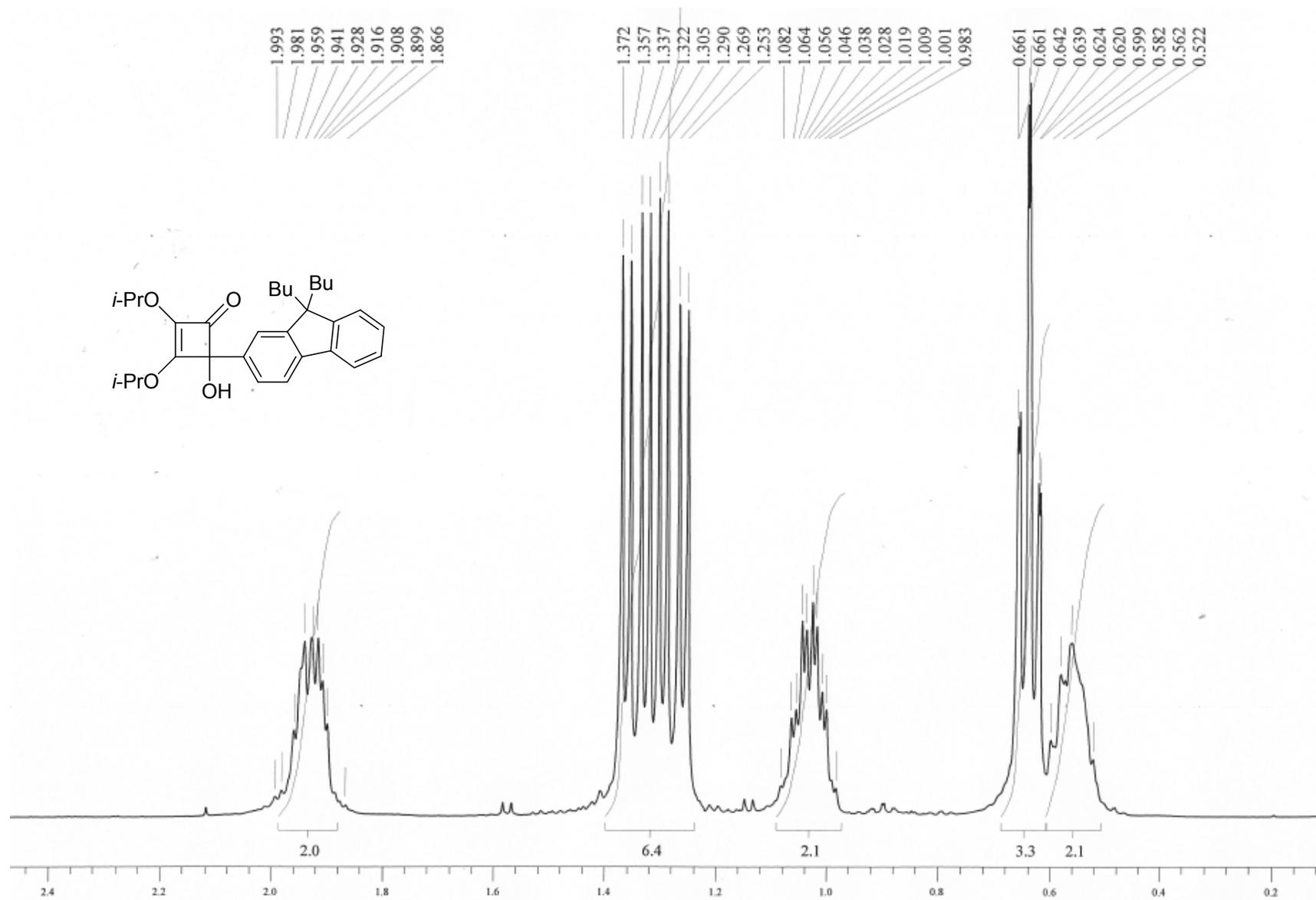


Figure S7. ¹H NMR spectrum of compound 9A (2.5–0.0 ppm).

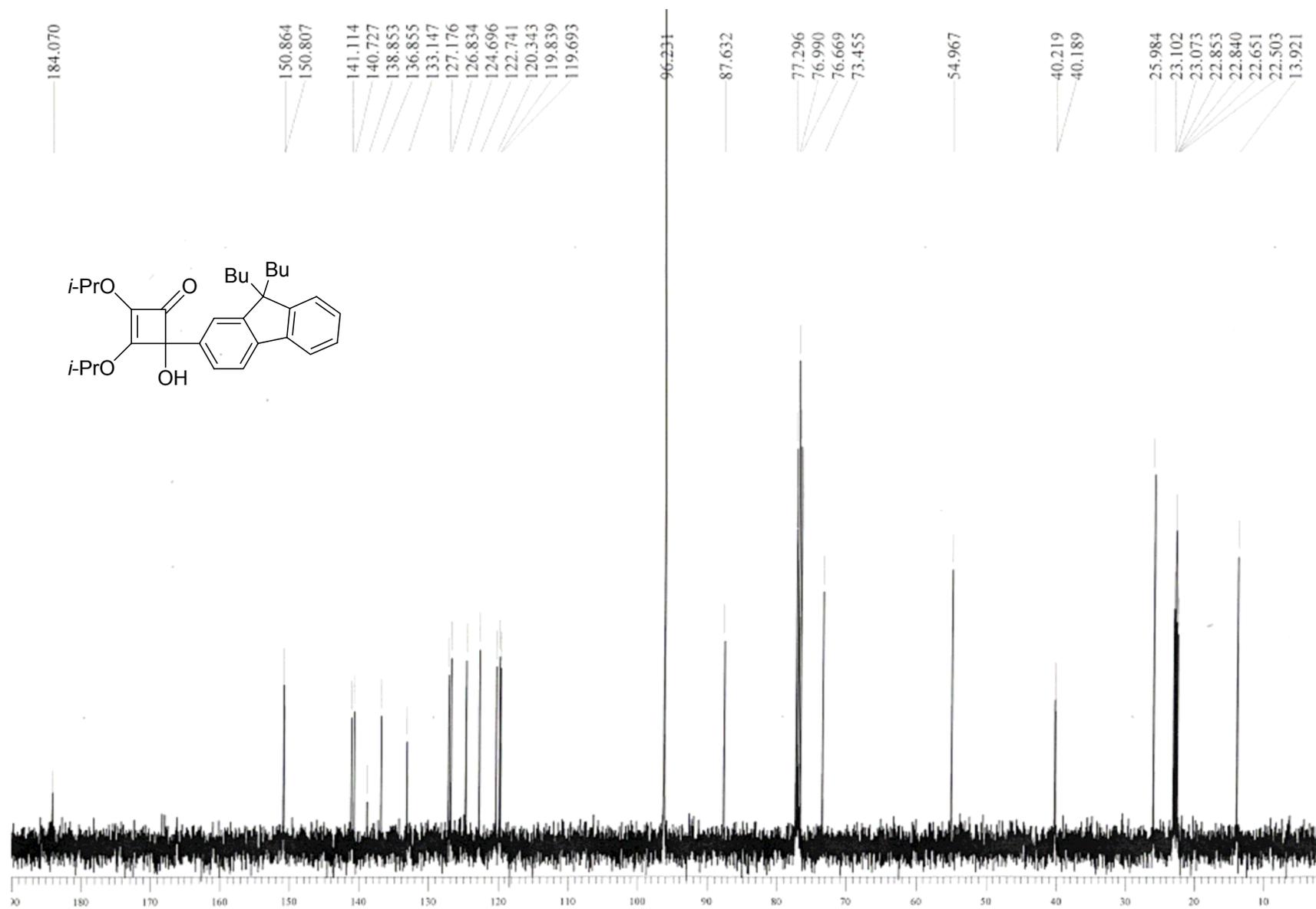


Figure S8. ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound 9A.

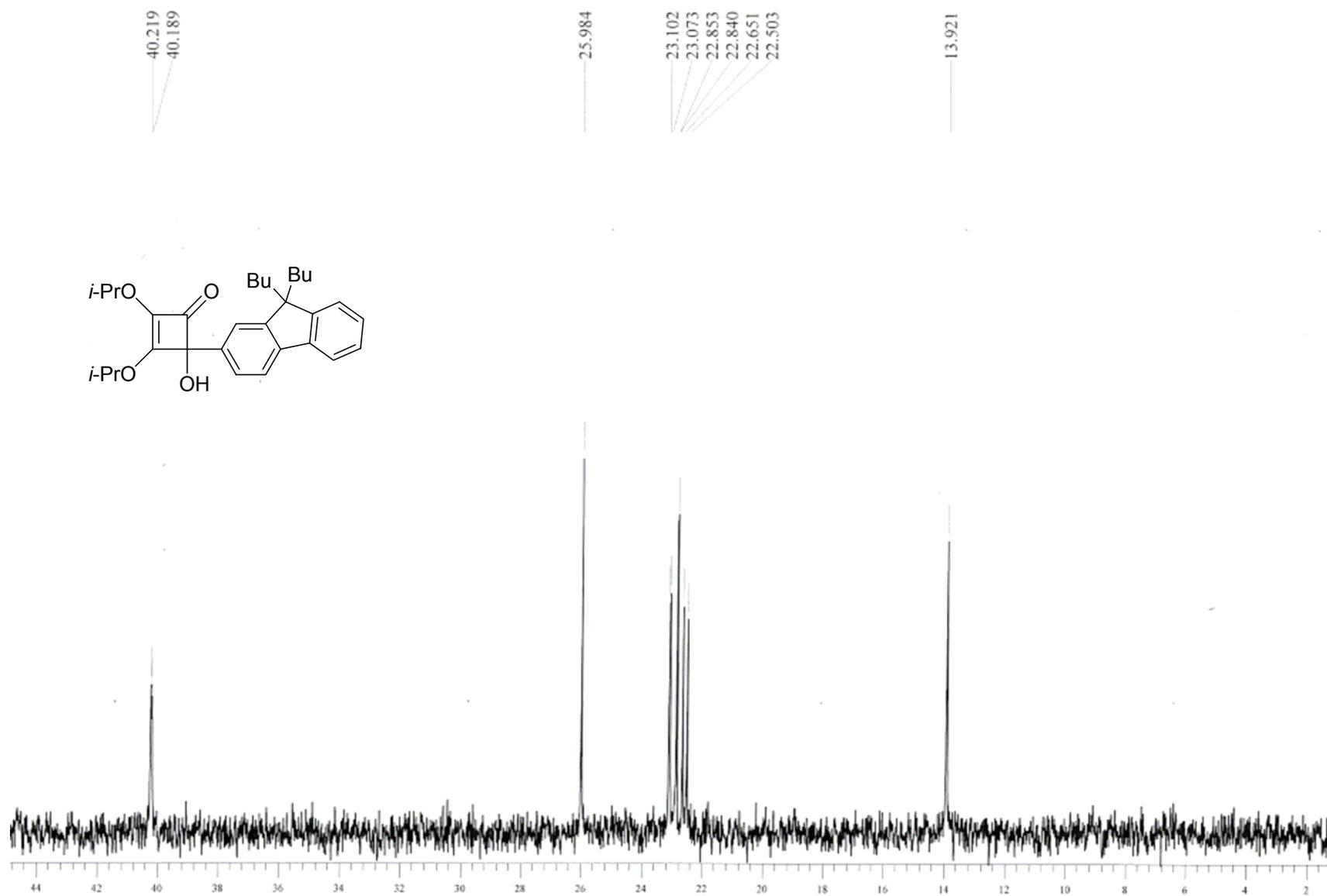


Figure S9. ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound 9A (45–0.0 ppm).

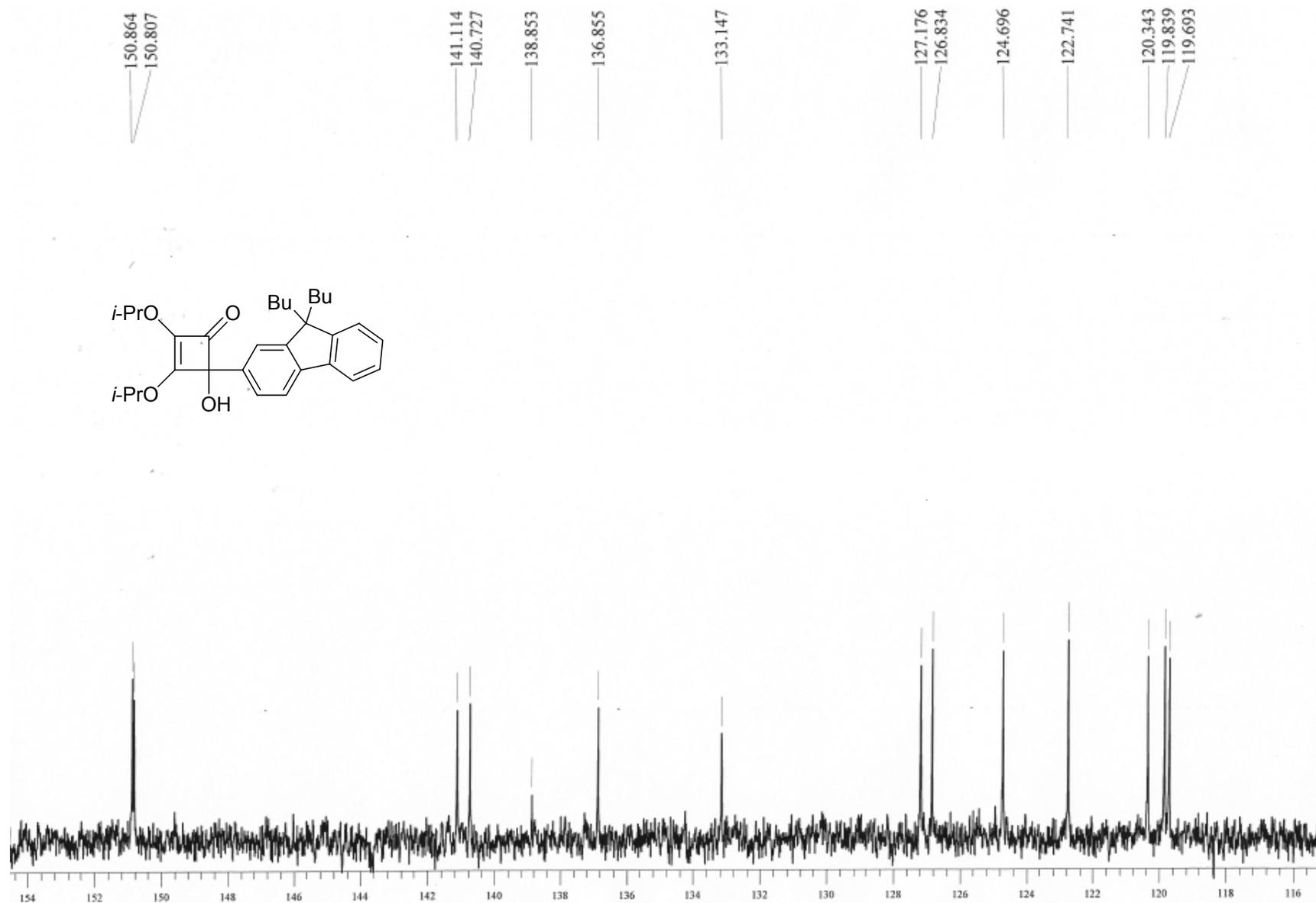


Figure S10. ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound 9A (155–115 ppm).

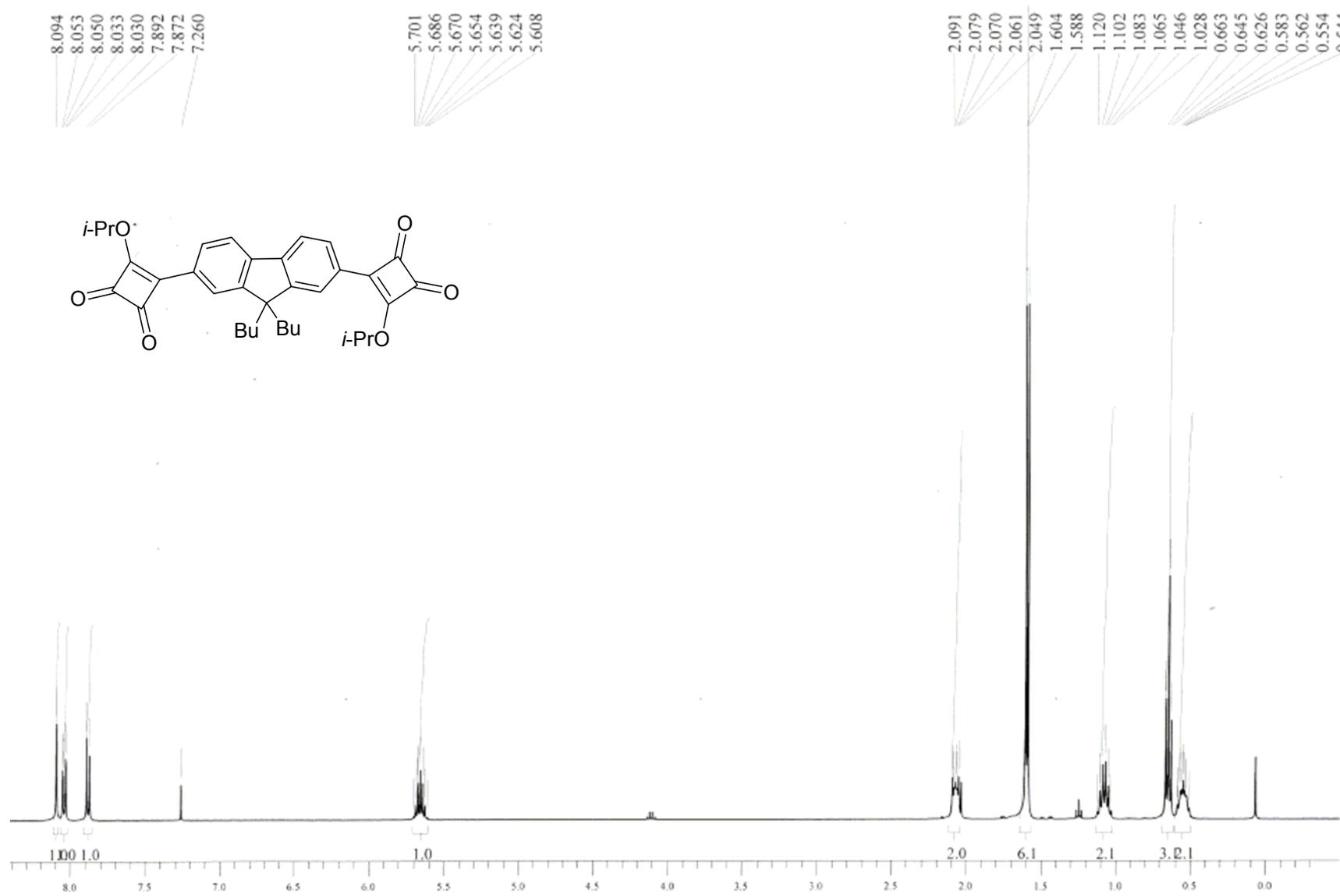


Figure S11. ¹H NMR spectrum of compound 13A.

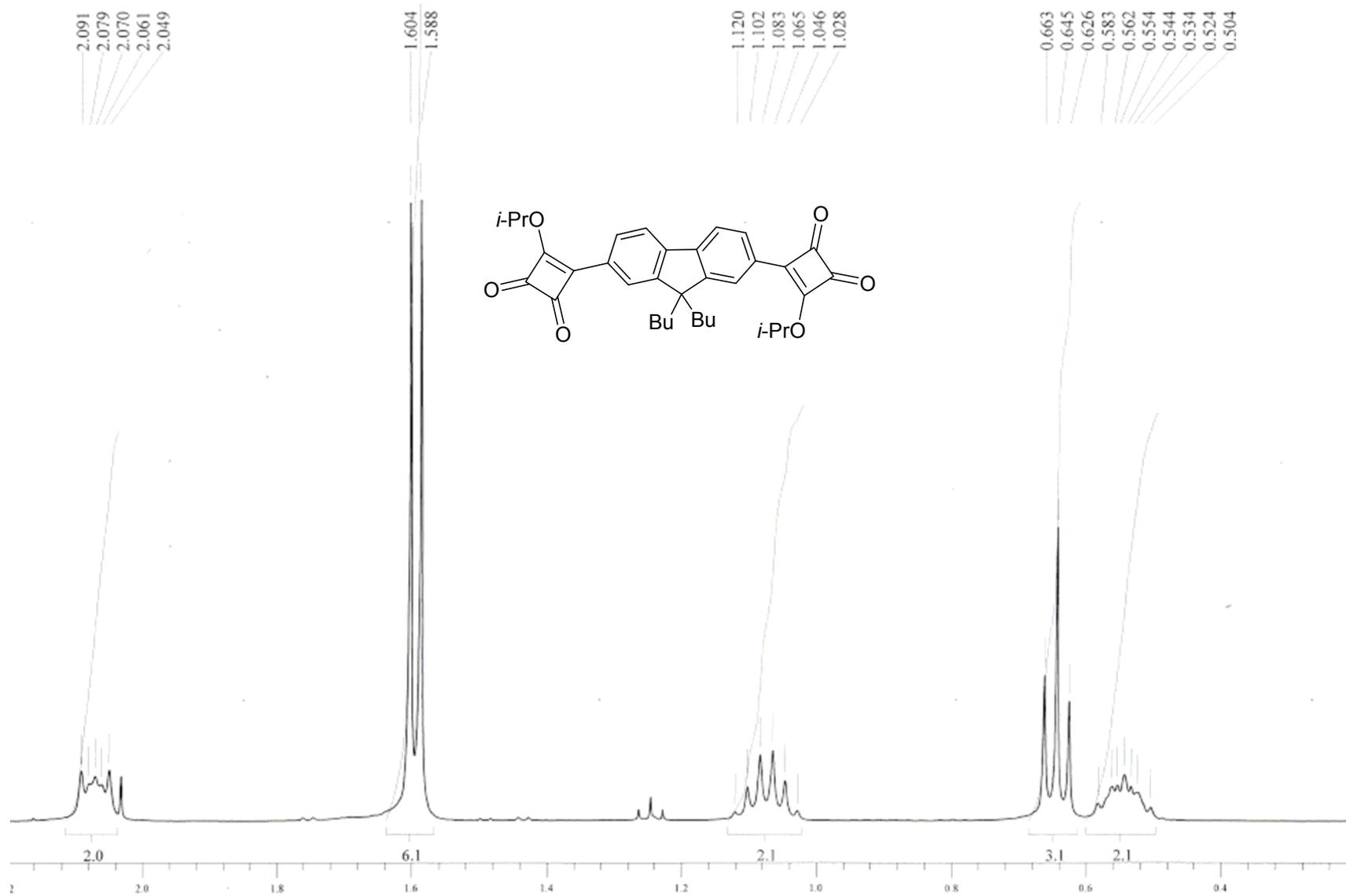


Figure S12. ¹H NMR spectrum of compound **13A** (2.2–0.0 ppm).

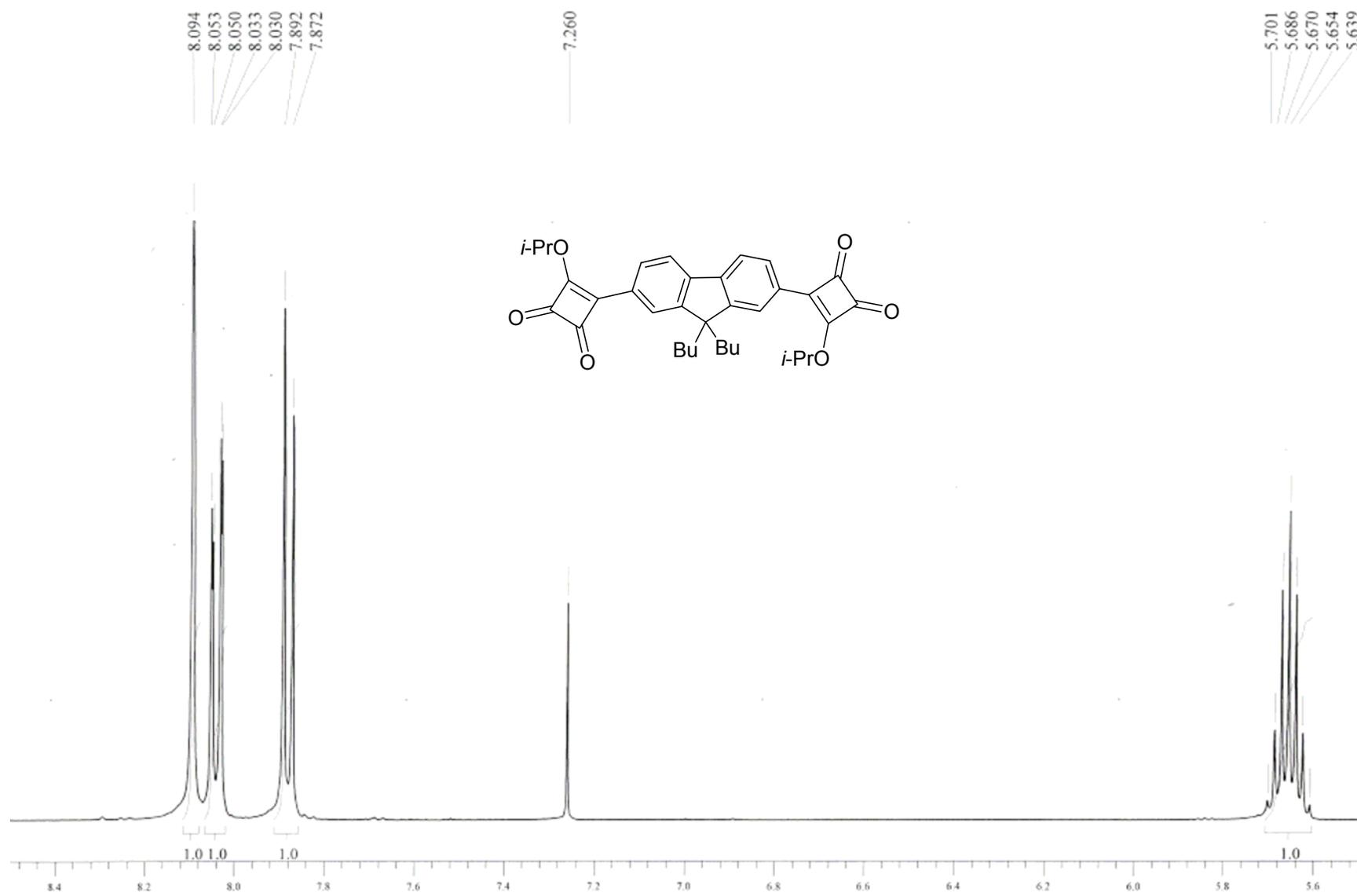


Figure S13. ¹H NMR spectrum of compound **13A** (8.5–5.5 ppm).

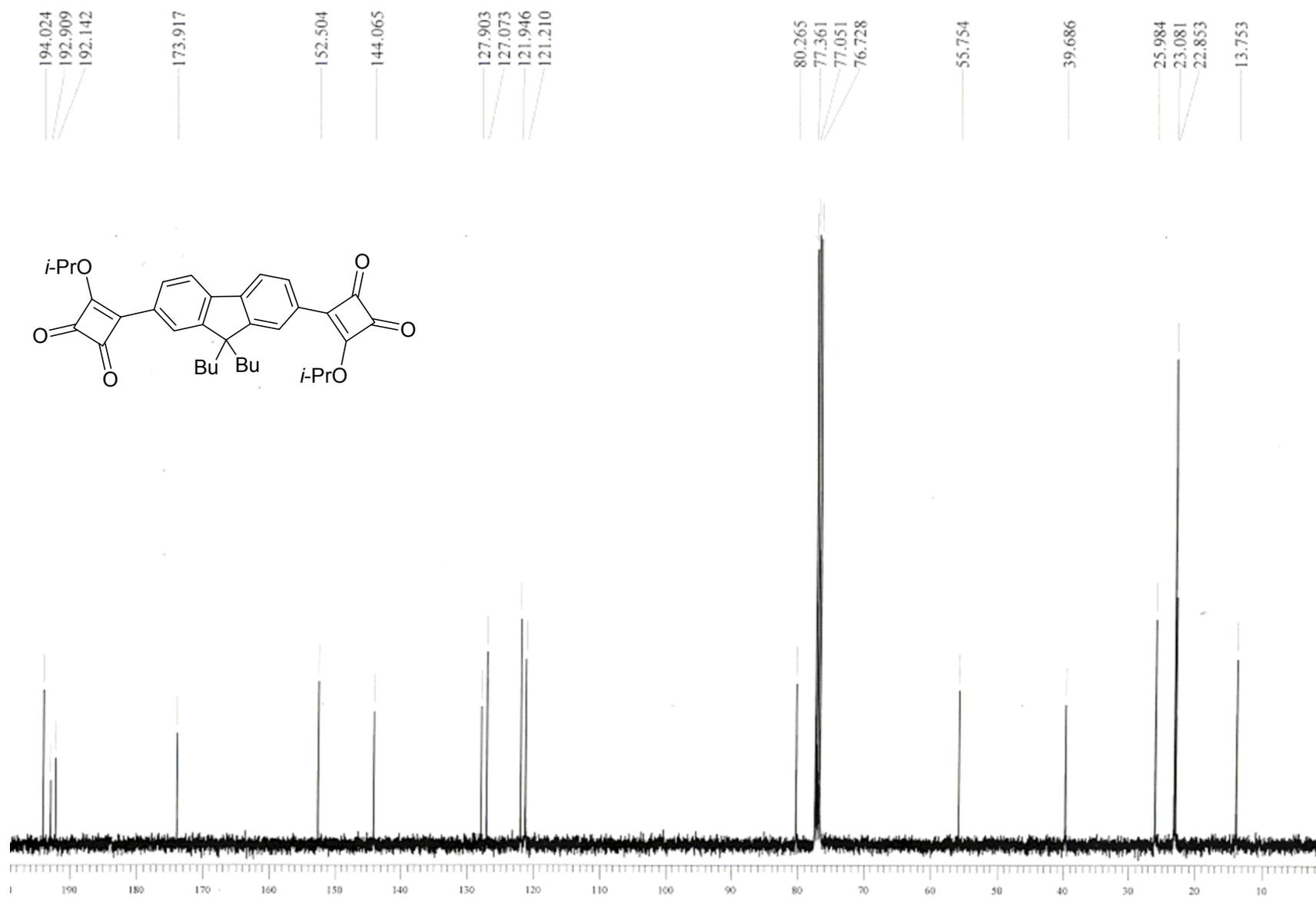


Figure S14. ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound 13A.

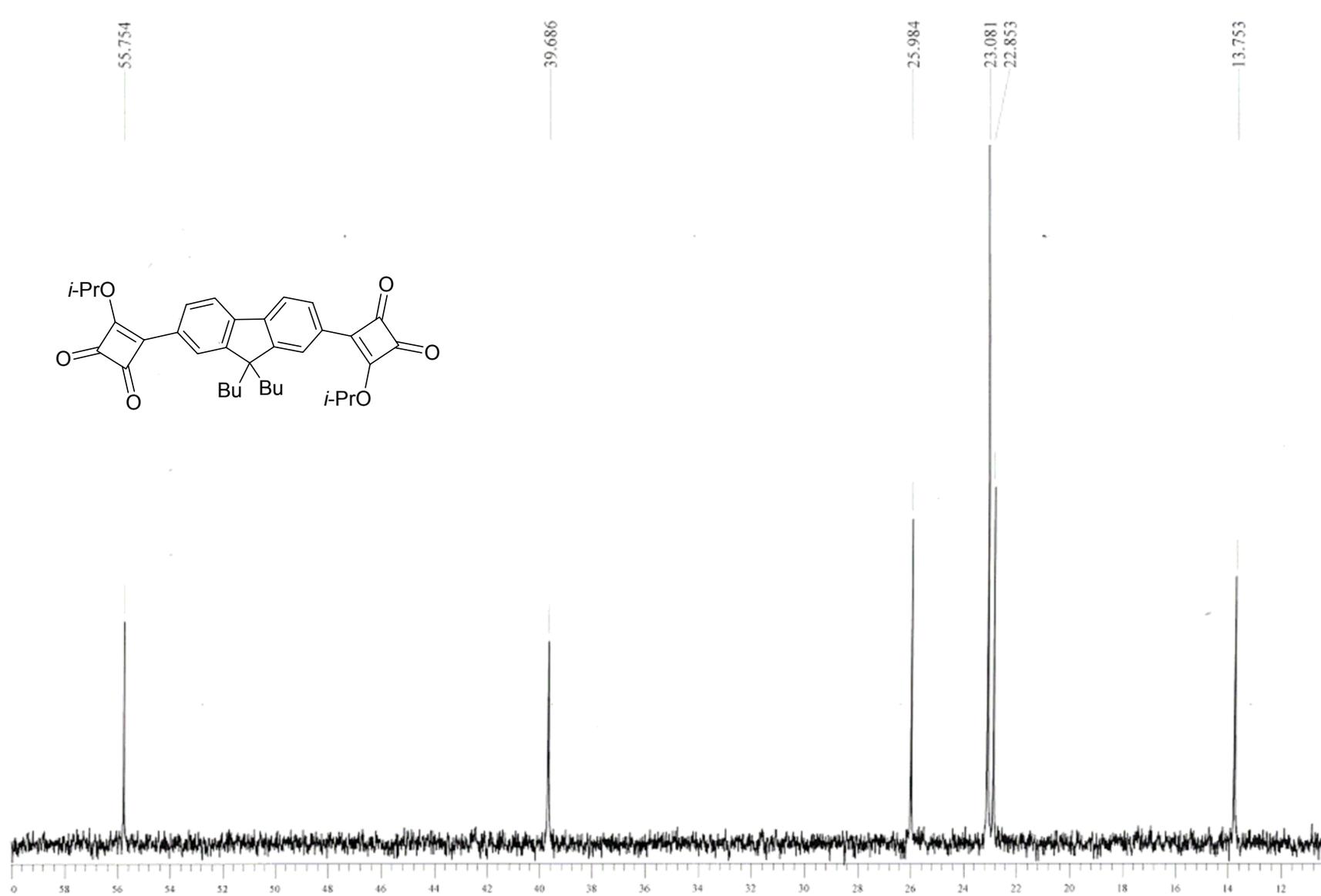


Figure S15. ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound 13A (60–0.0 ppm).

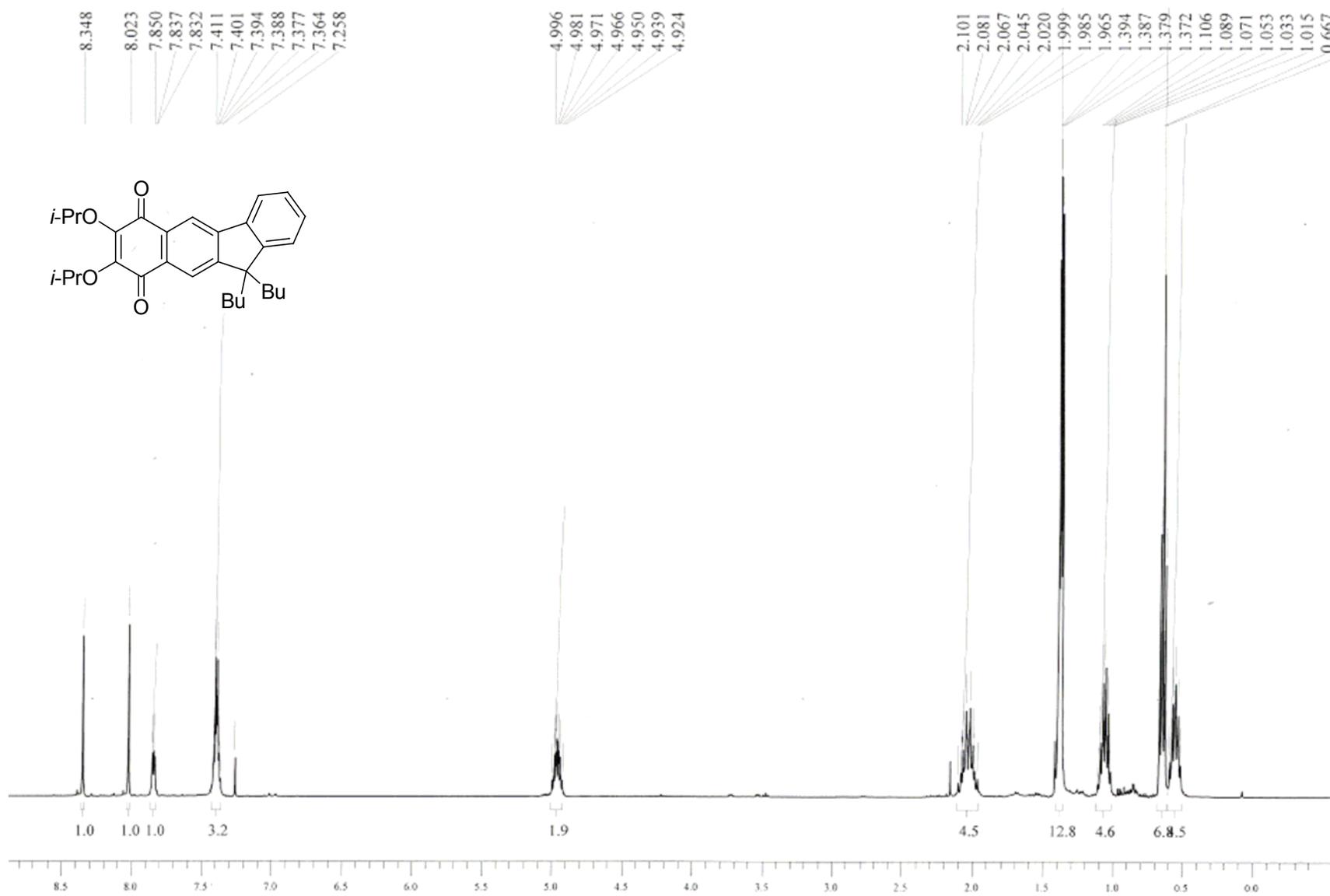


Figure S16. ¹H NMR spectrum of compound Q1.

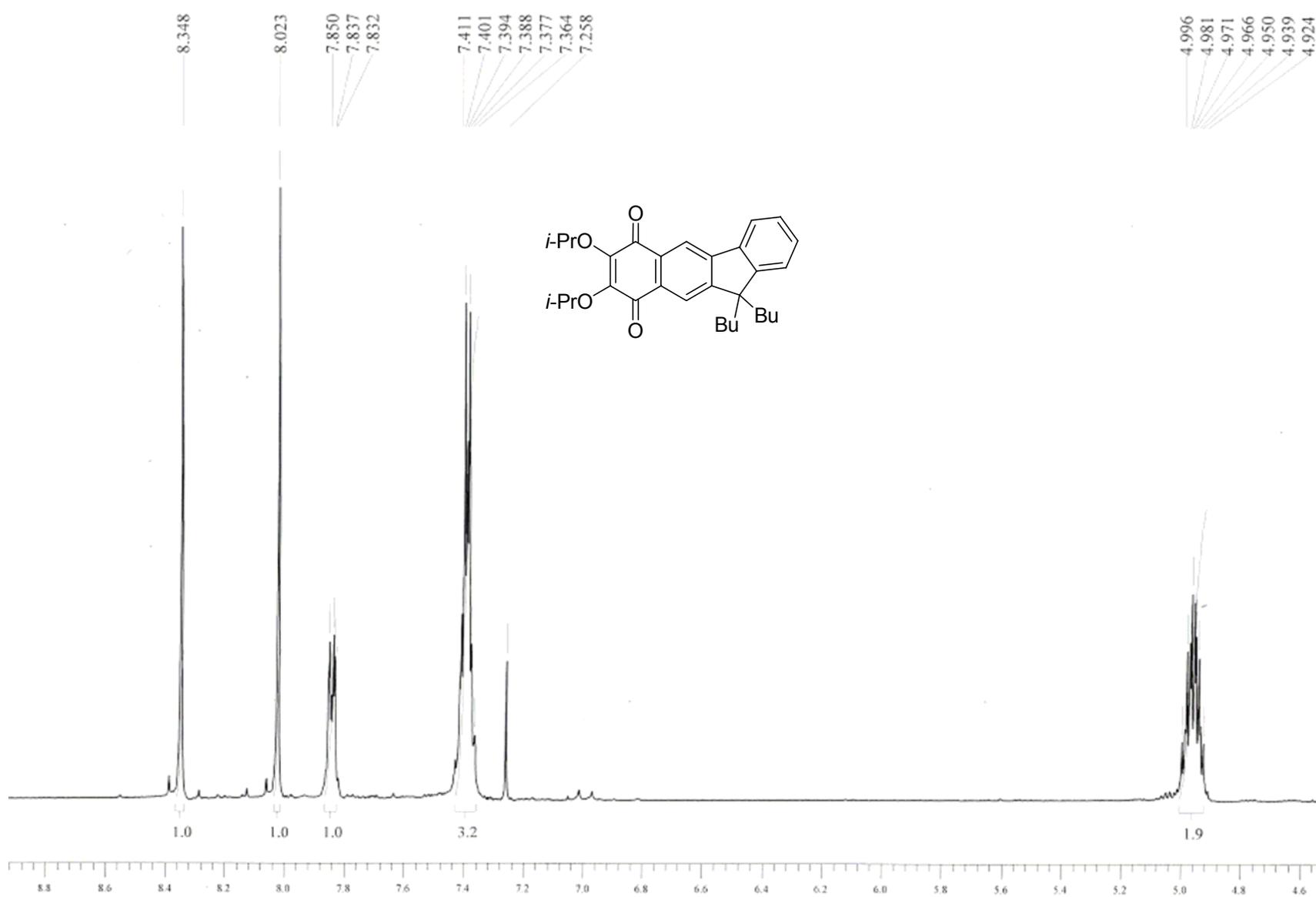


Figure S17. ^1H NMR spectrum of compound Q1 (8.8–4.6 ppm).

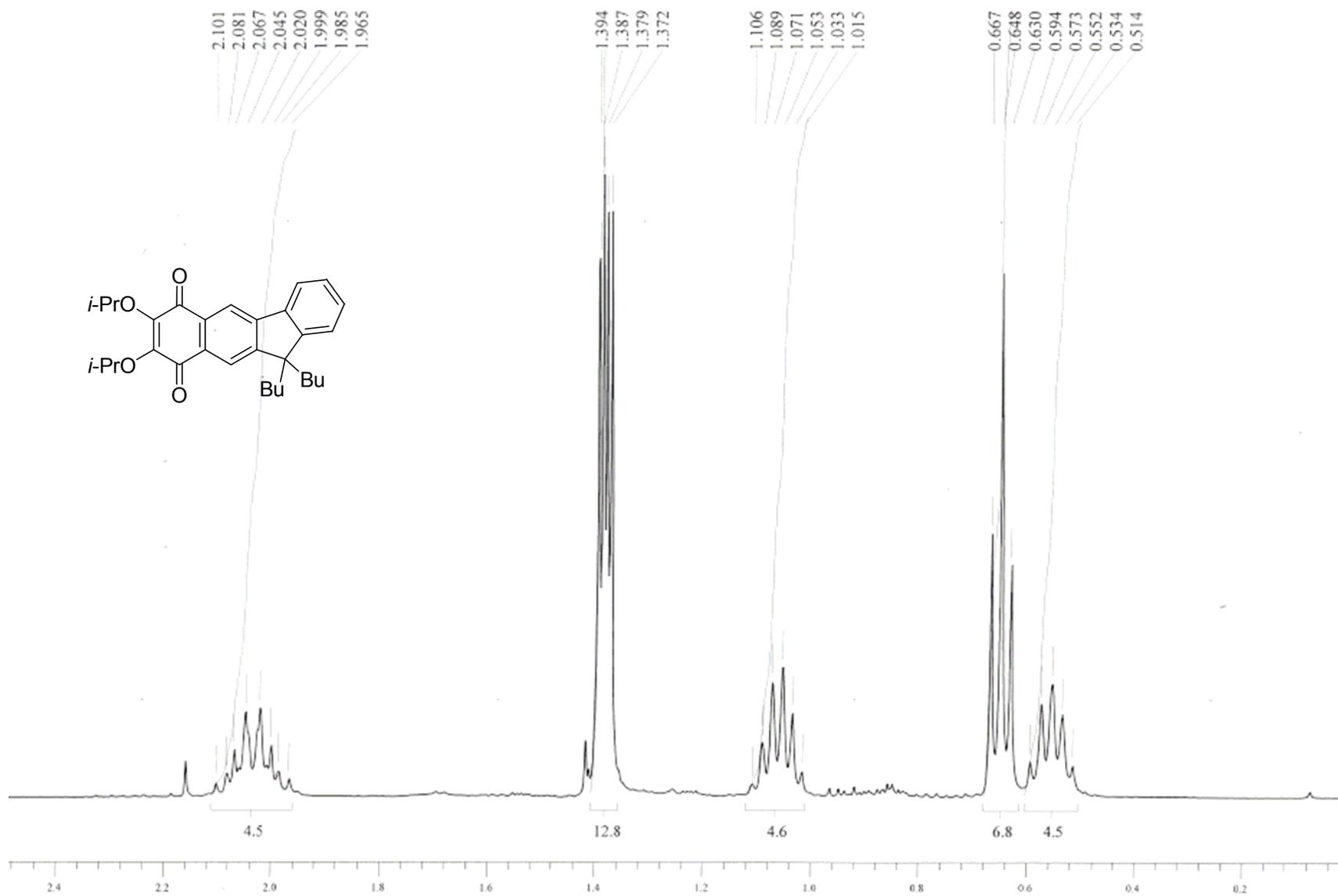


Figure S18. ¹H NMR spectrum of compound Q1 (2.4–0.0 ppm).

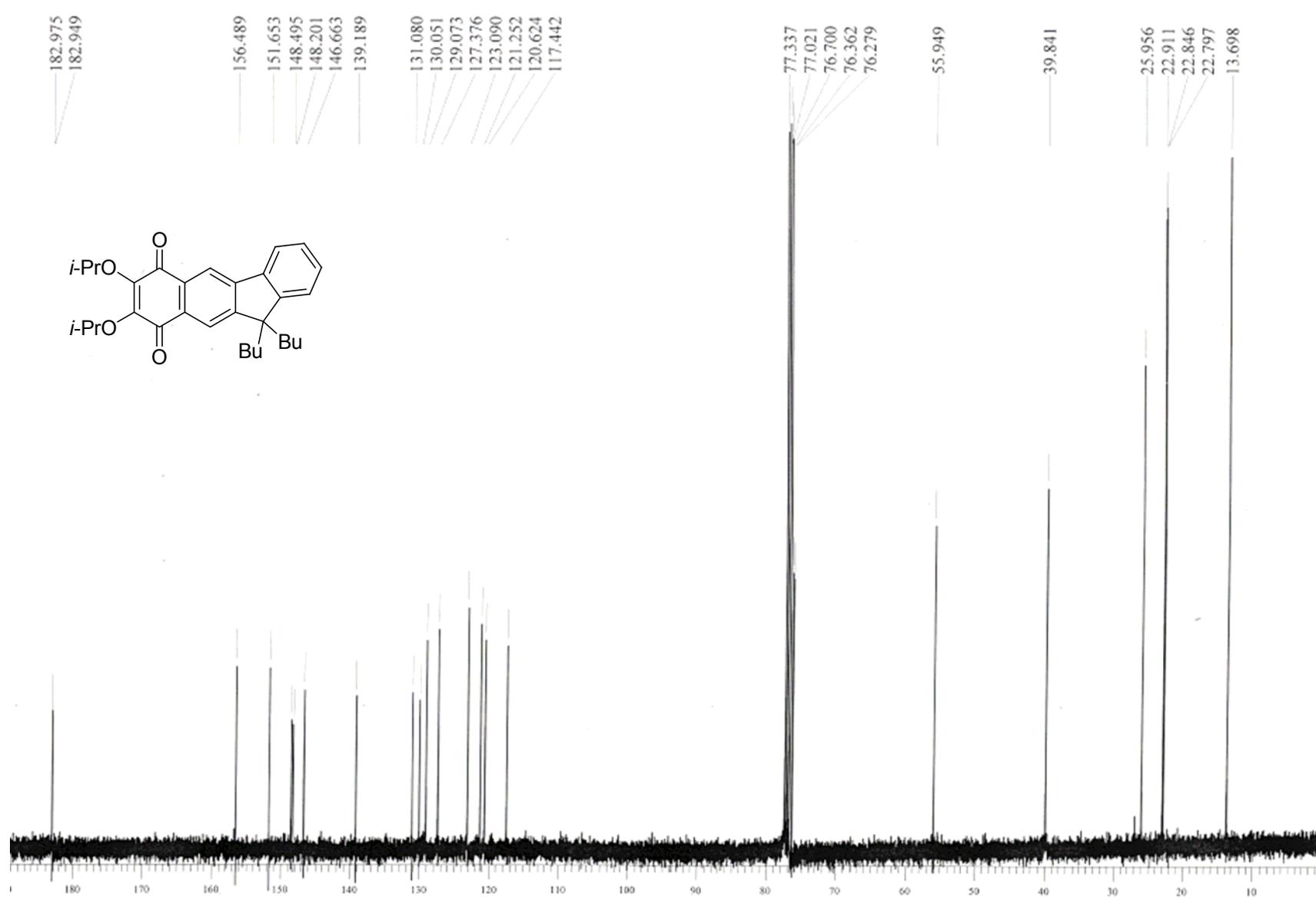


Figure S19. ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound Q1.

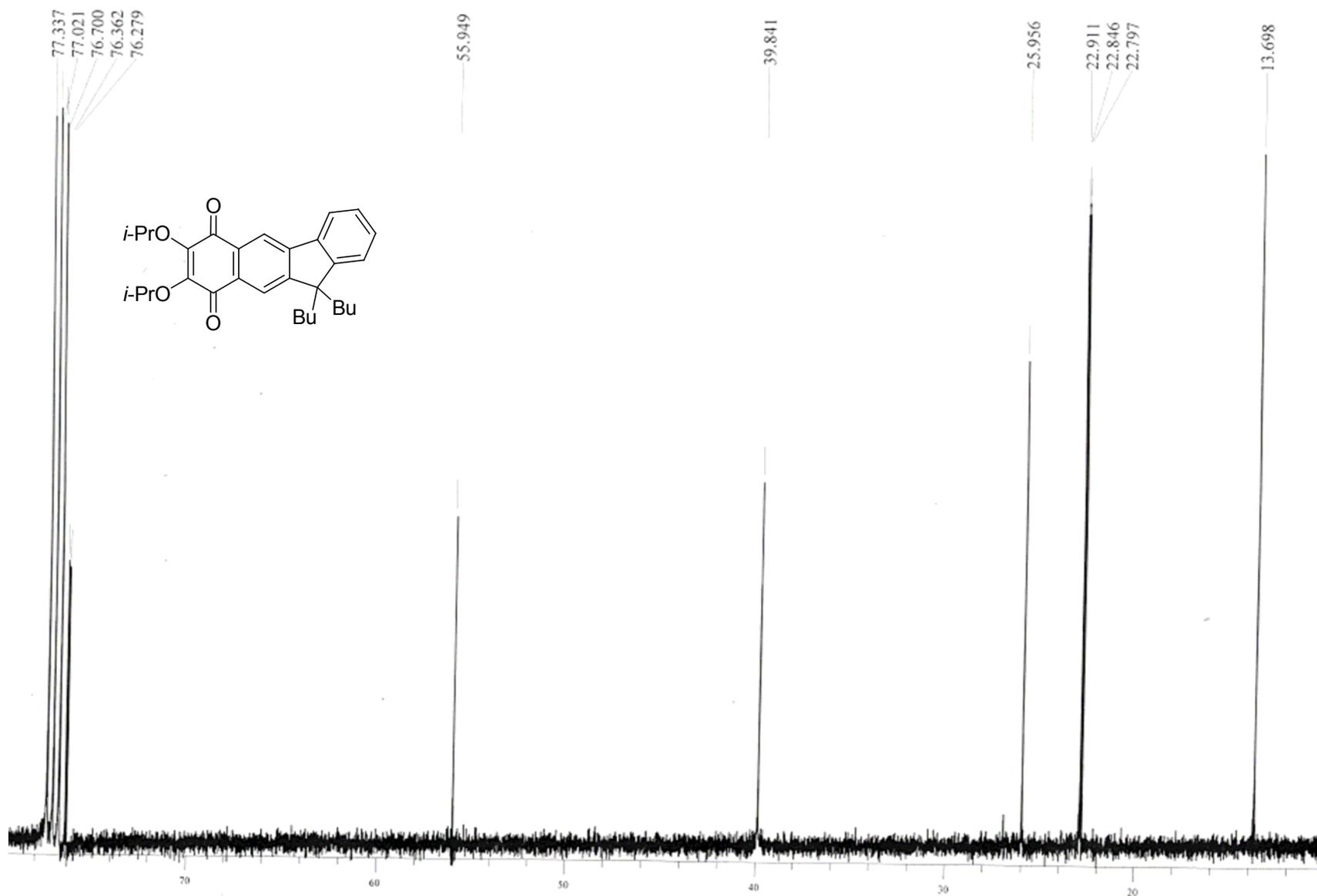


Figure S20. ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound Q1 (80–0.0 ppm).

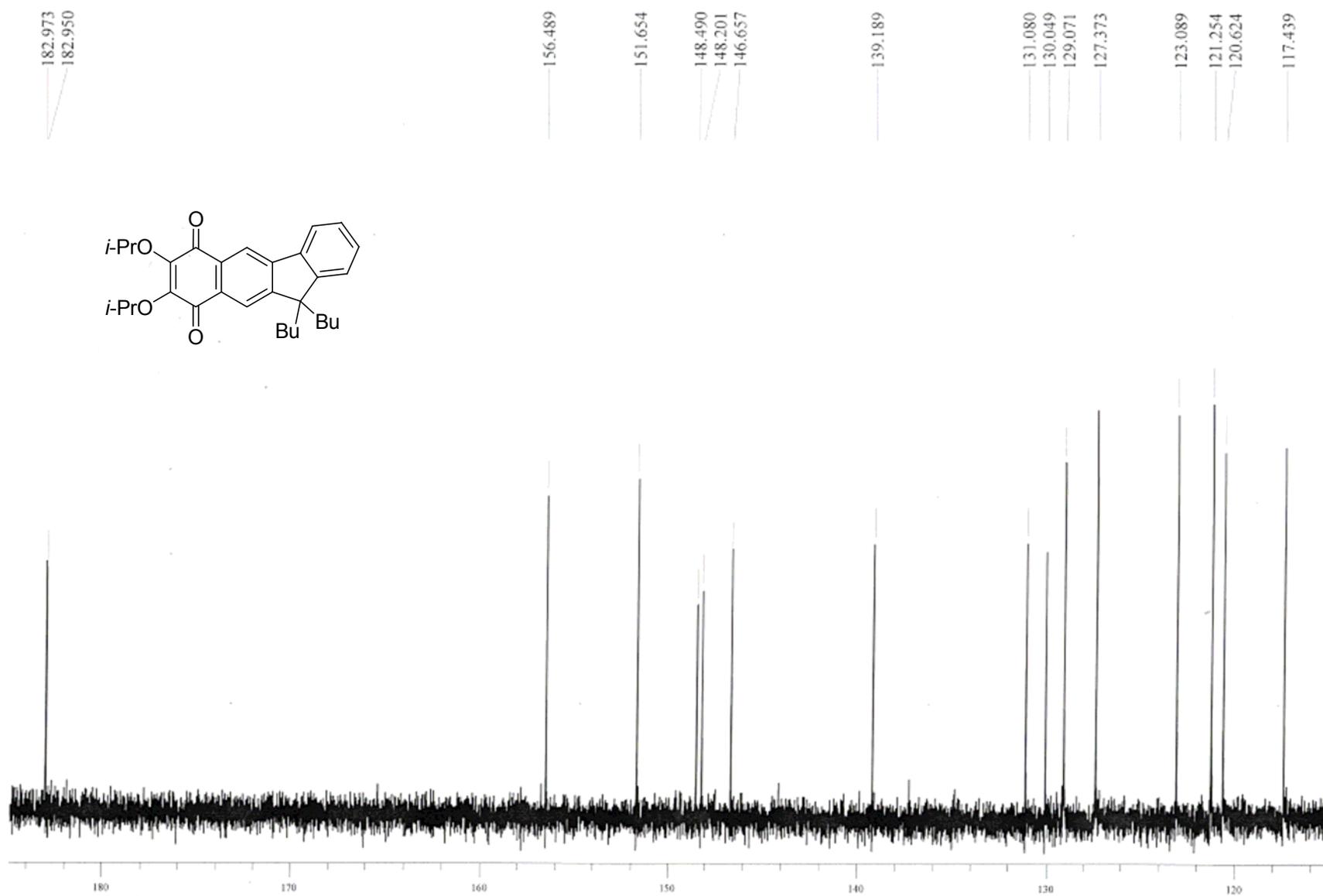


Figure S21. ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound Q1 (185–115 ppm).

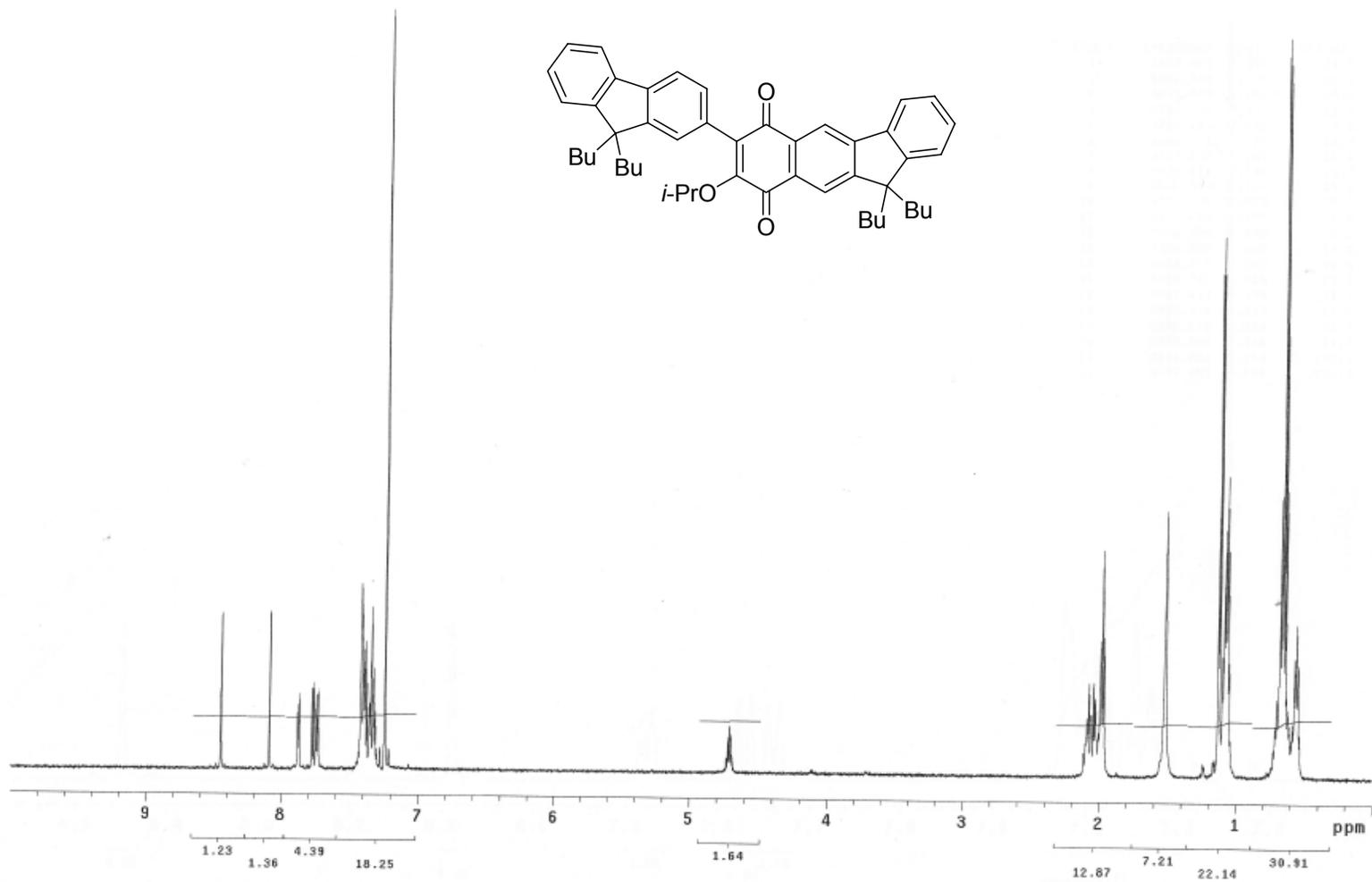


Figure S22. ¹H NMR spectrum of compound Q2.

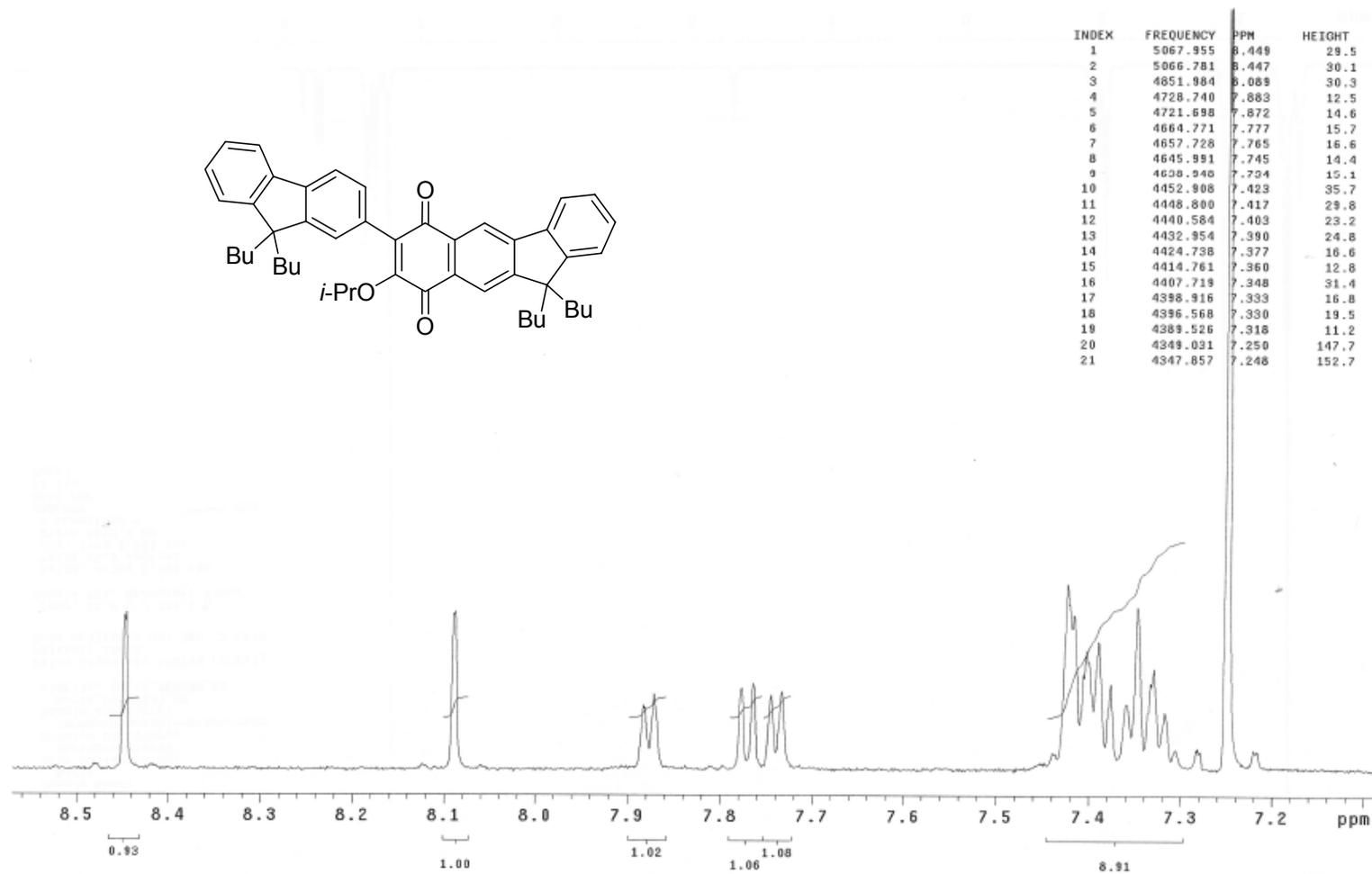


Figure S23. ¹H NMR spectrum of compound Q2 (8.5–7.1 ppm).

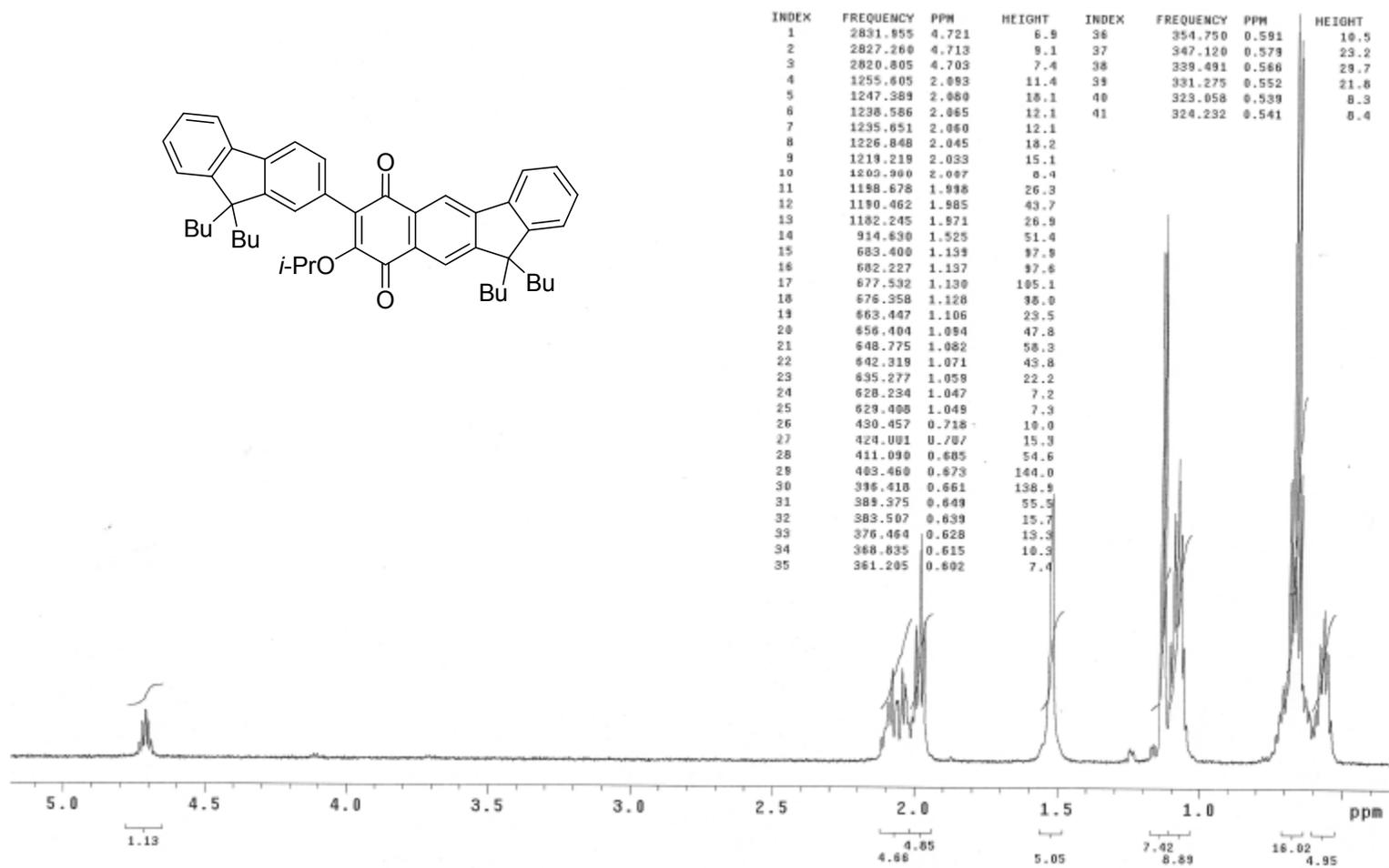


Figure S24. ¹H NMR spectrum of compound Q2 (5.0–0.0 ppm).

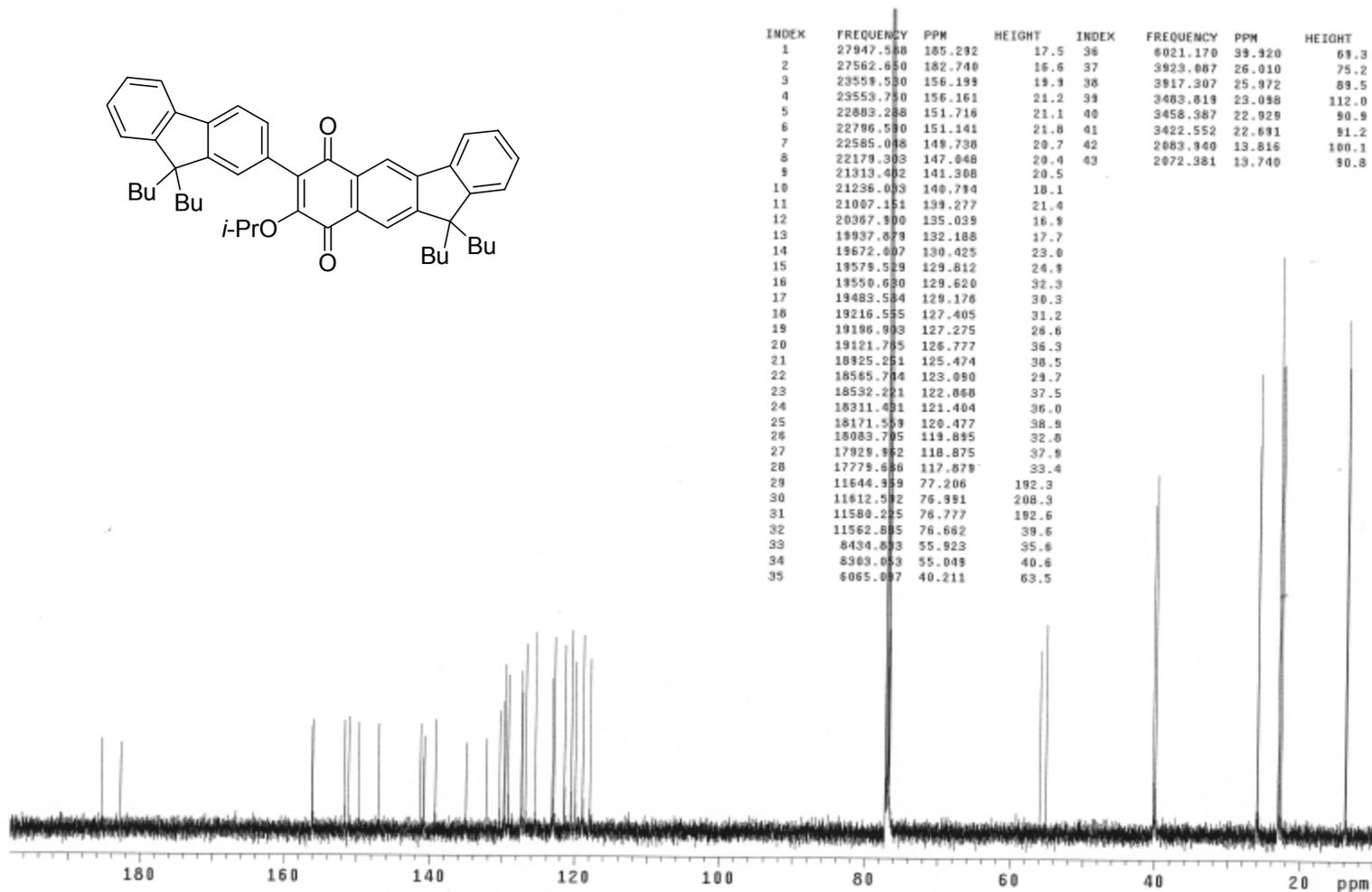


Figure S25. ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound Q2.

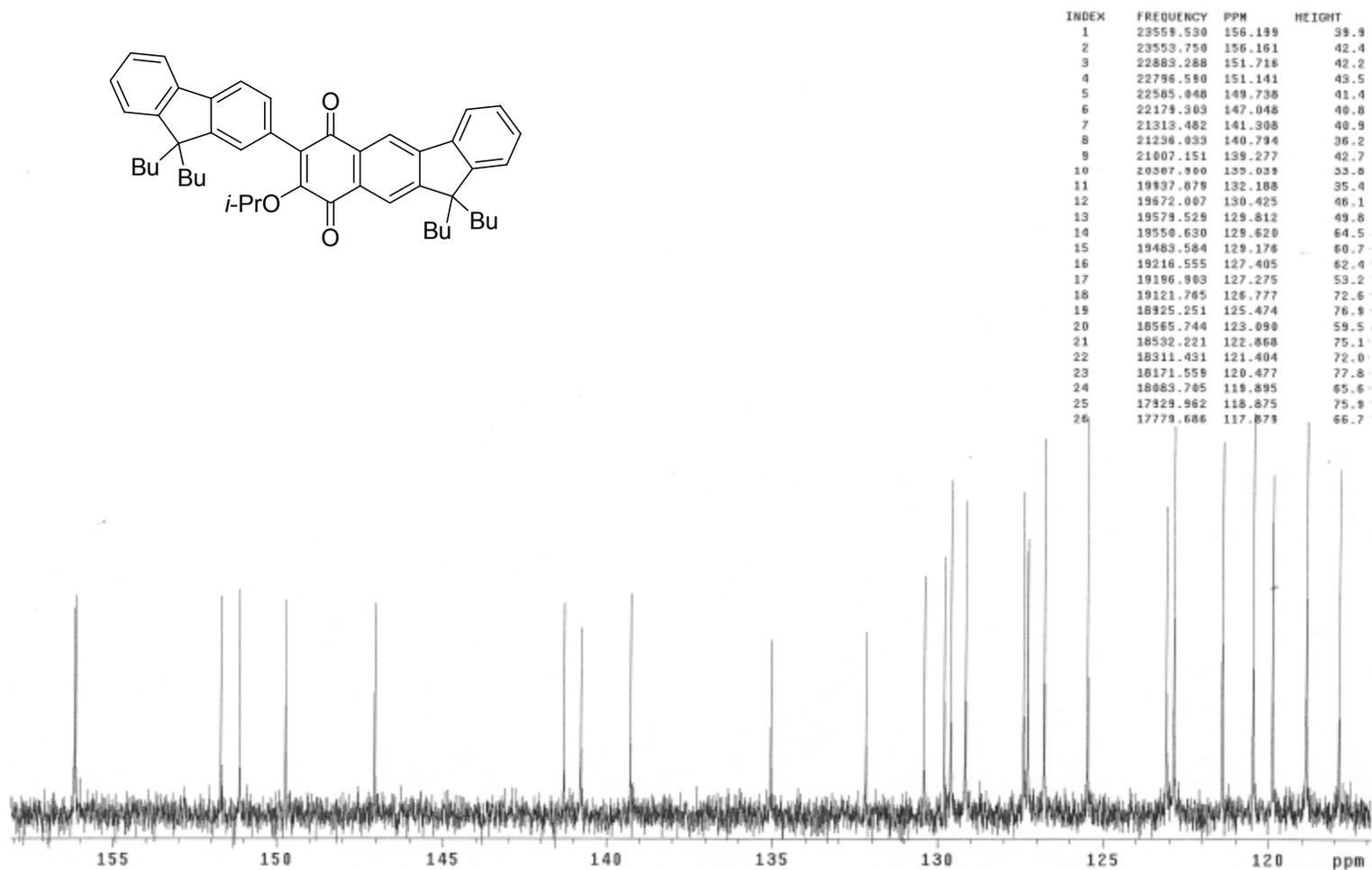


Figure S26. ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound Q2 (160–115 ppm).

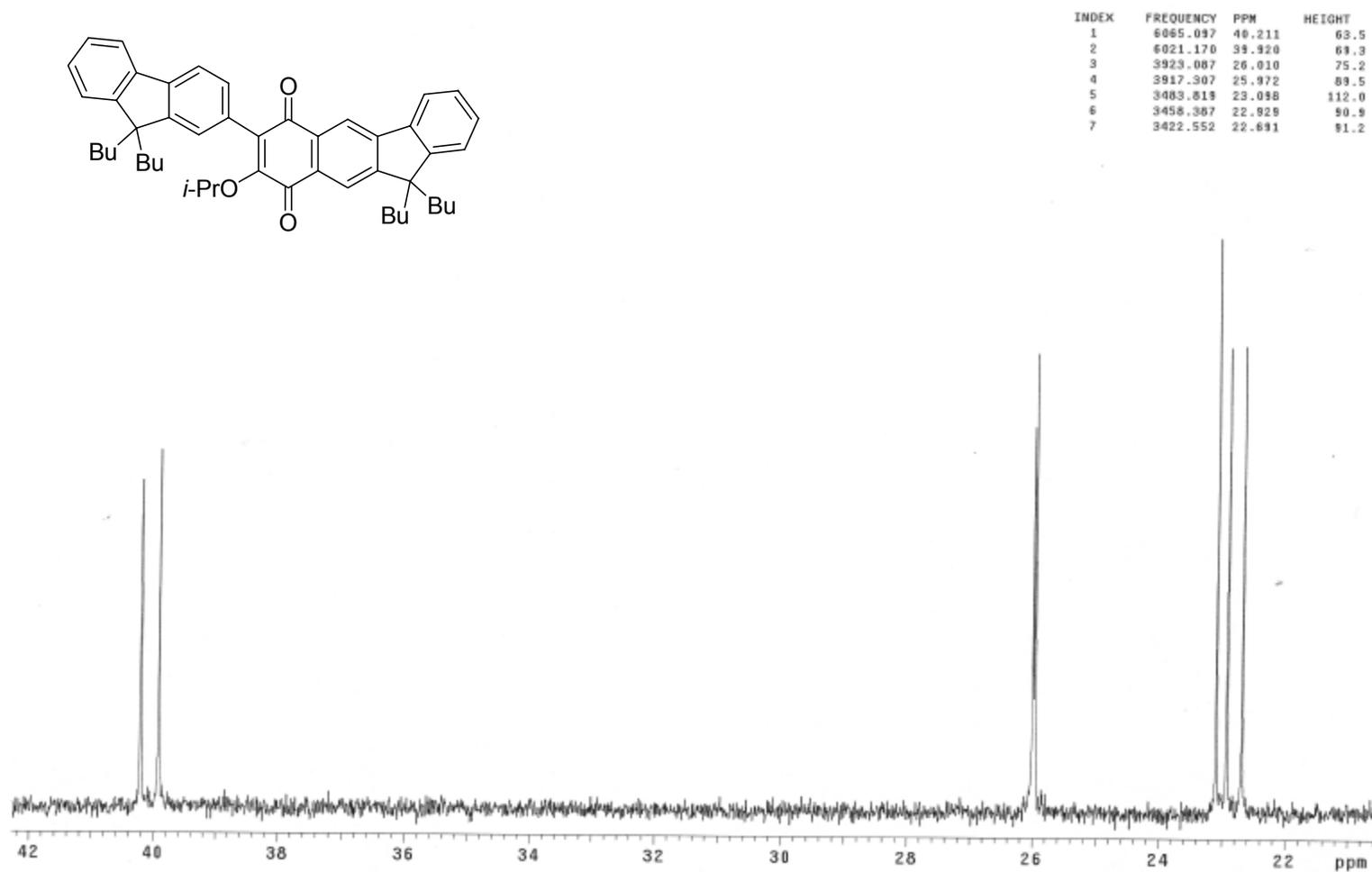


Figure S27. ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound **Q2** (42–21 ppm).

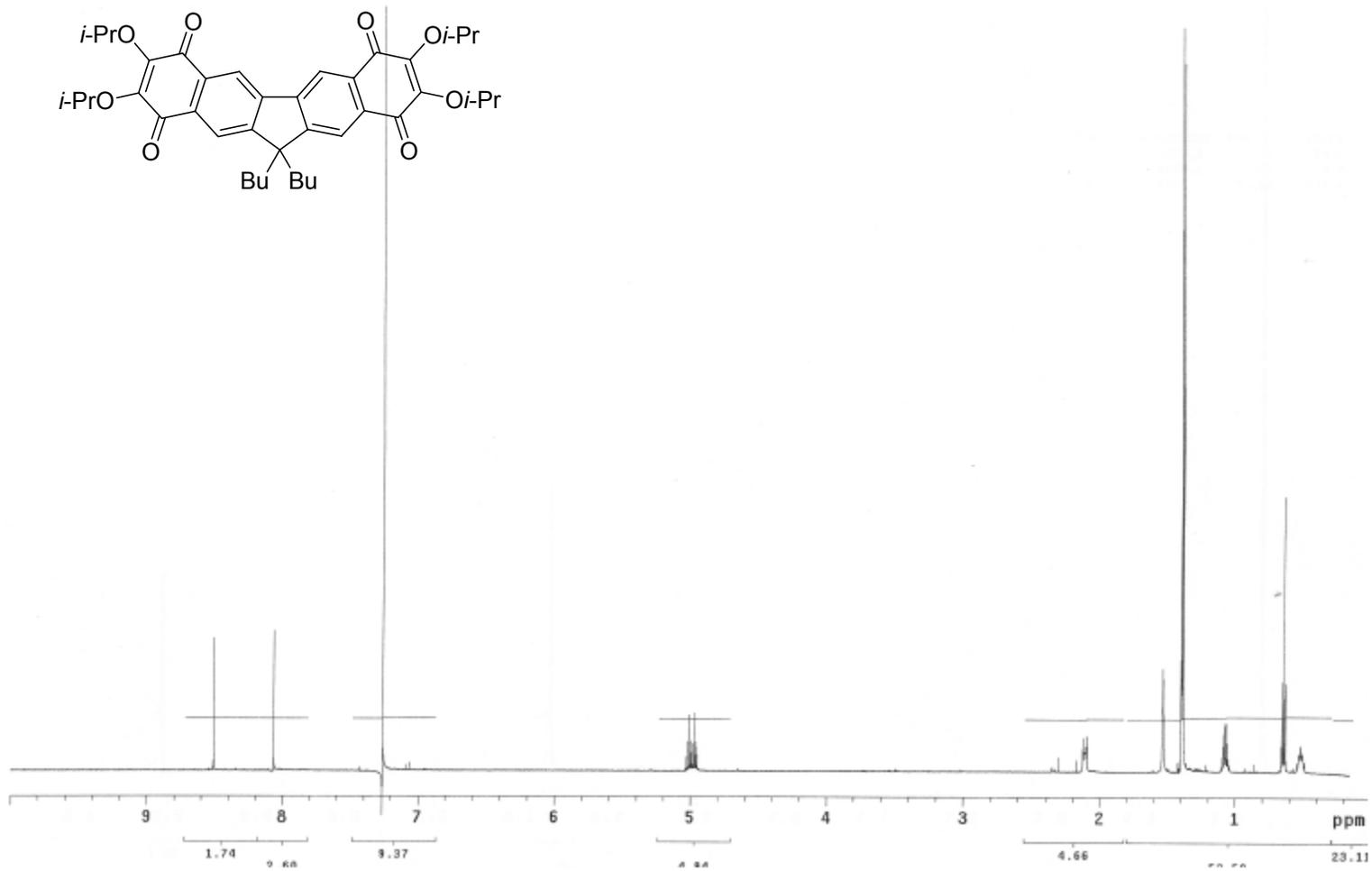


Figure S28. ¹H NMR spectrum of compound Q3.

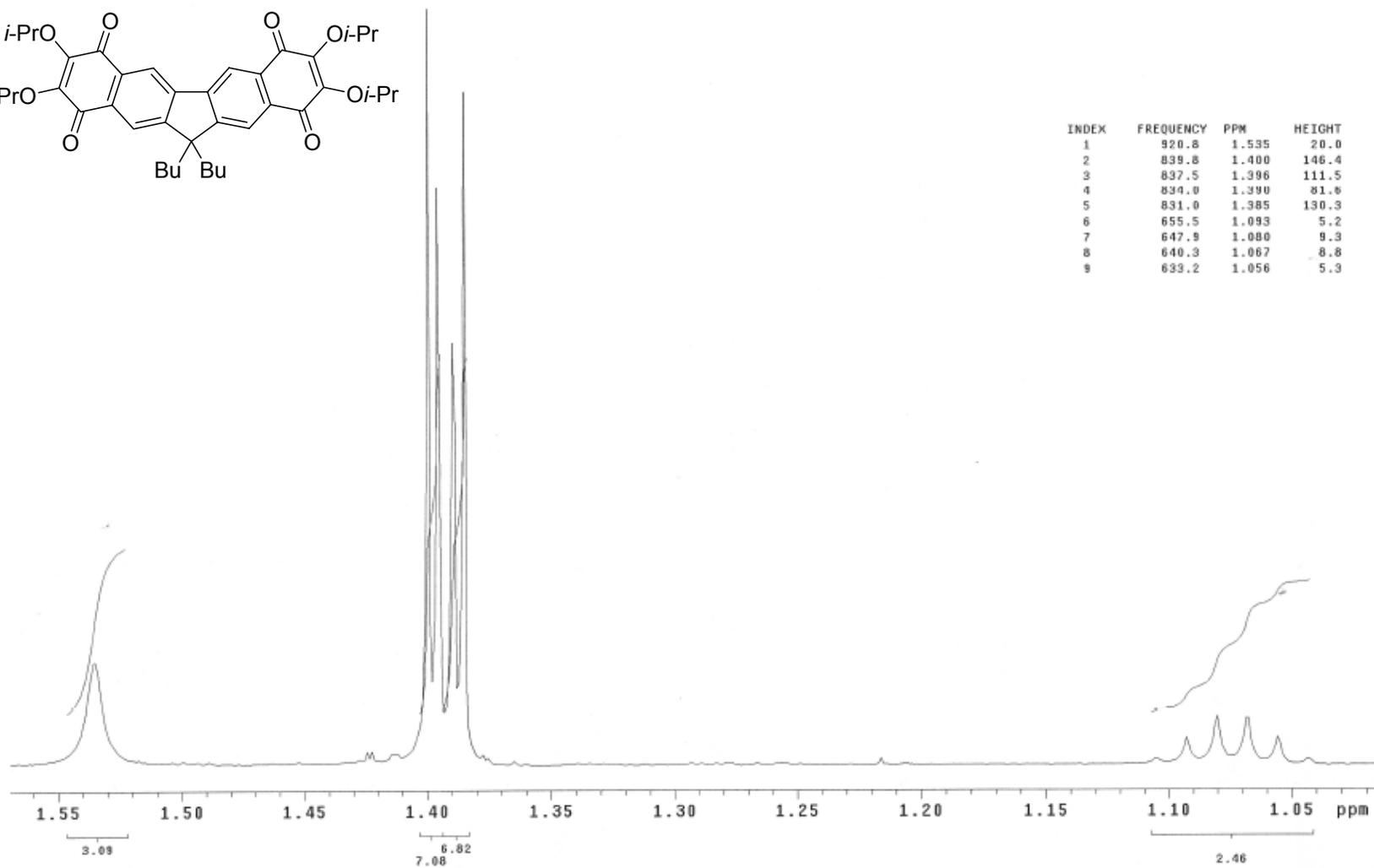
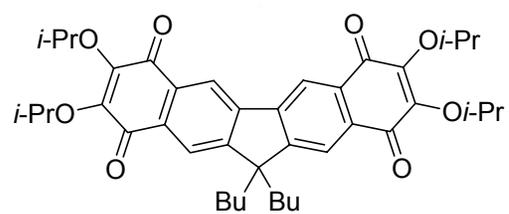
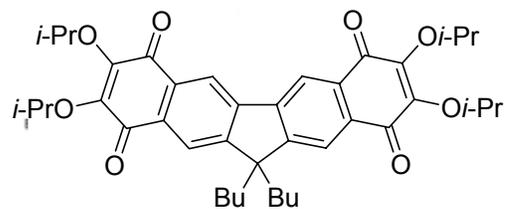


Figure S29. ¹H NMR spectrum of compound Q3 (1.55–1.0 ppm).



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1	3017.7	5.031	12.4
2	3011.3	5.020	20.6
3	3005.4	5.010	44.2
4	2999.5	5.001	20.9
5	2994.2	4.992	13.9
6	2993.1	4.990	13.9
7	2988.4	4.982	24.3
8	2981.9	4.971	42.7
9	2976.1	4.962	24.4
10	2969.6	4.951	11.2
11	1411.4	2.353	4.2
12	1384.4	2.308	12.4
13	1302.9	2.172	11.7
14	1275.3	2.126	28.5
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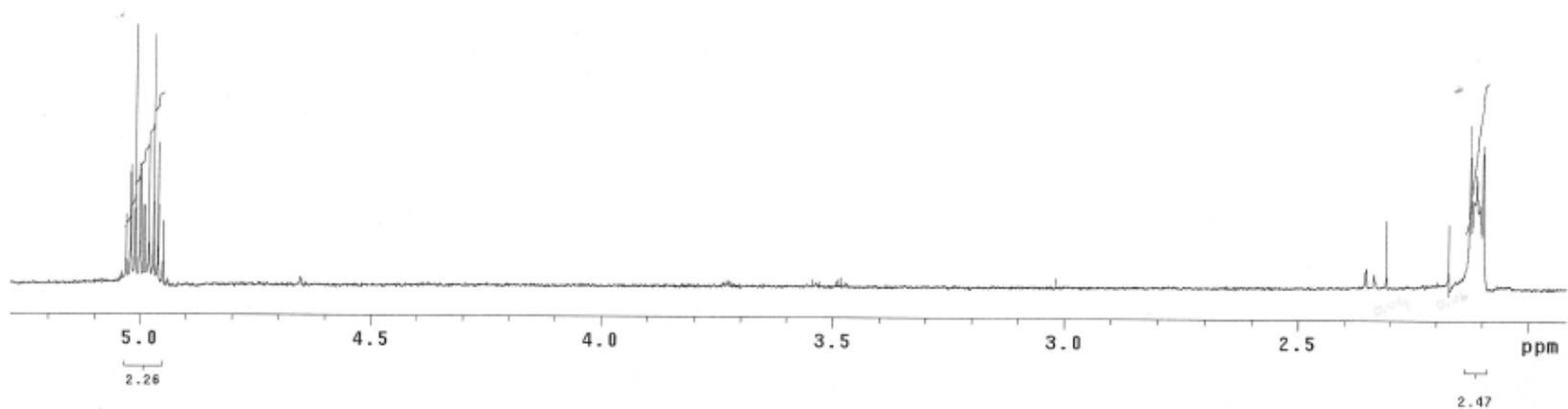


Figure S30. ^1H NMR spectrum of compound **Q3** (5.5–2.0 ppm).

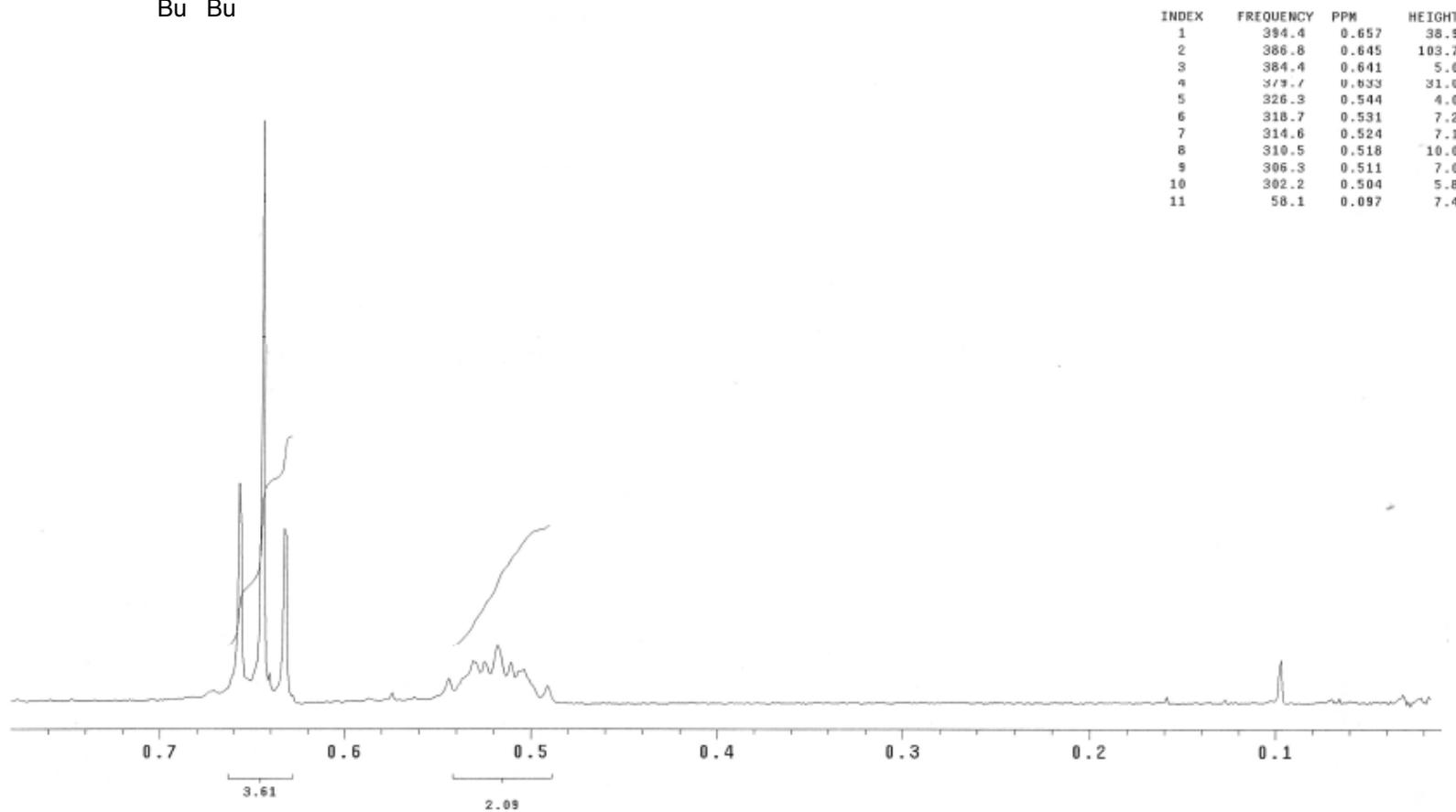
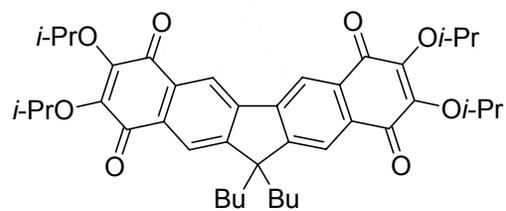


Figure S31. ¹H NMR spectrum of compound Q3 (0.8–0.0 ppm).

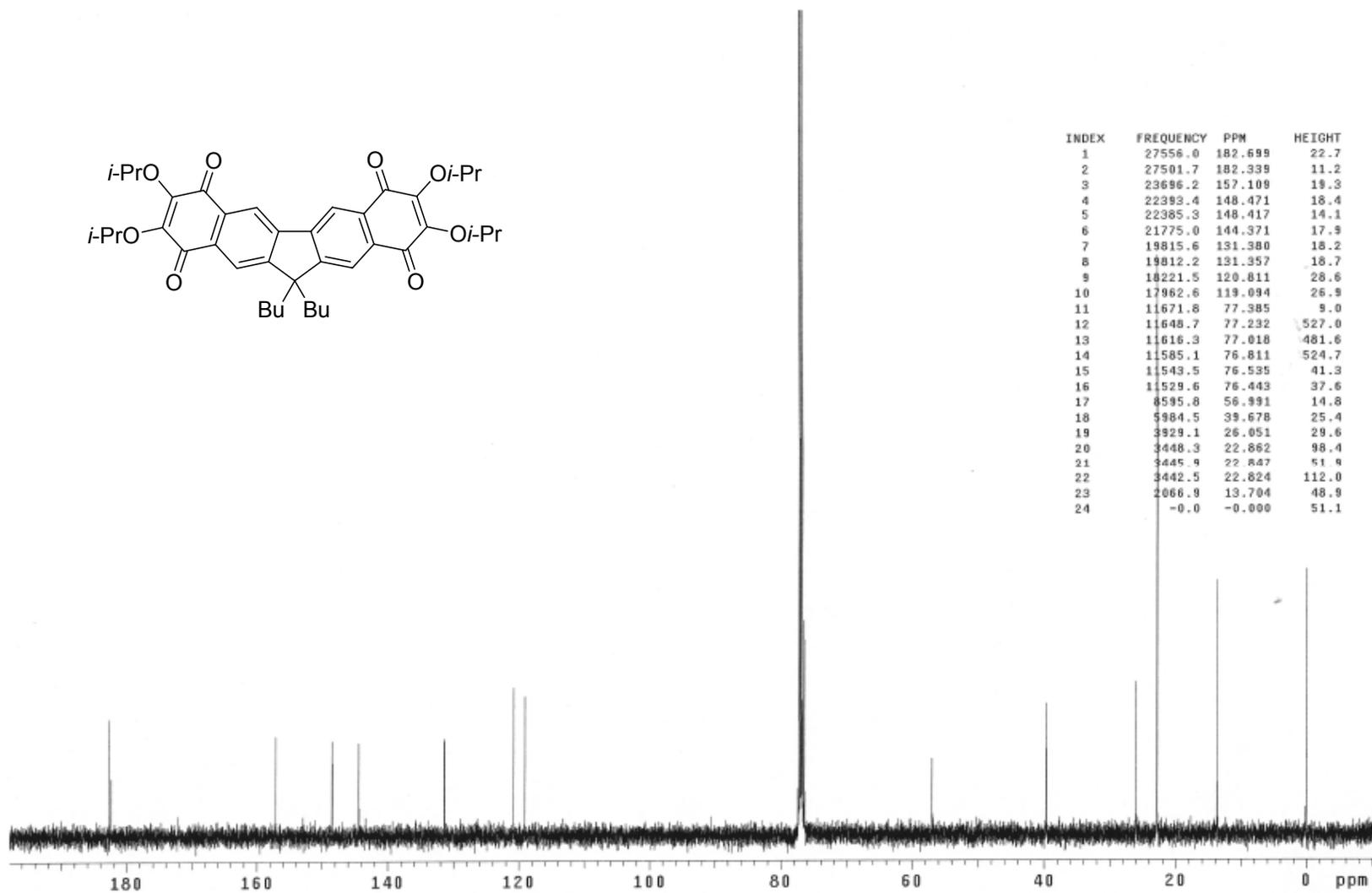


Figure S32. ^{13}C NMR spectrum of compound Q3.

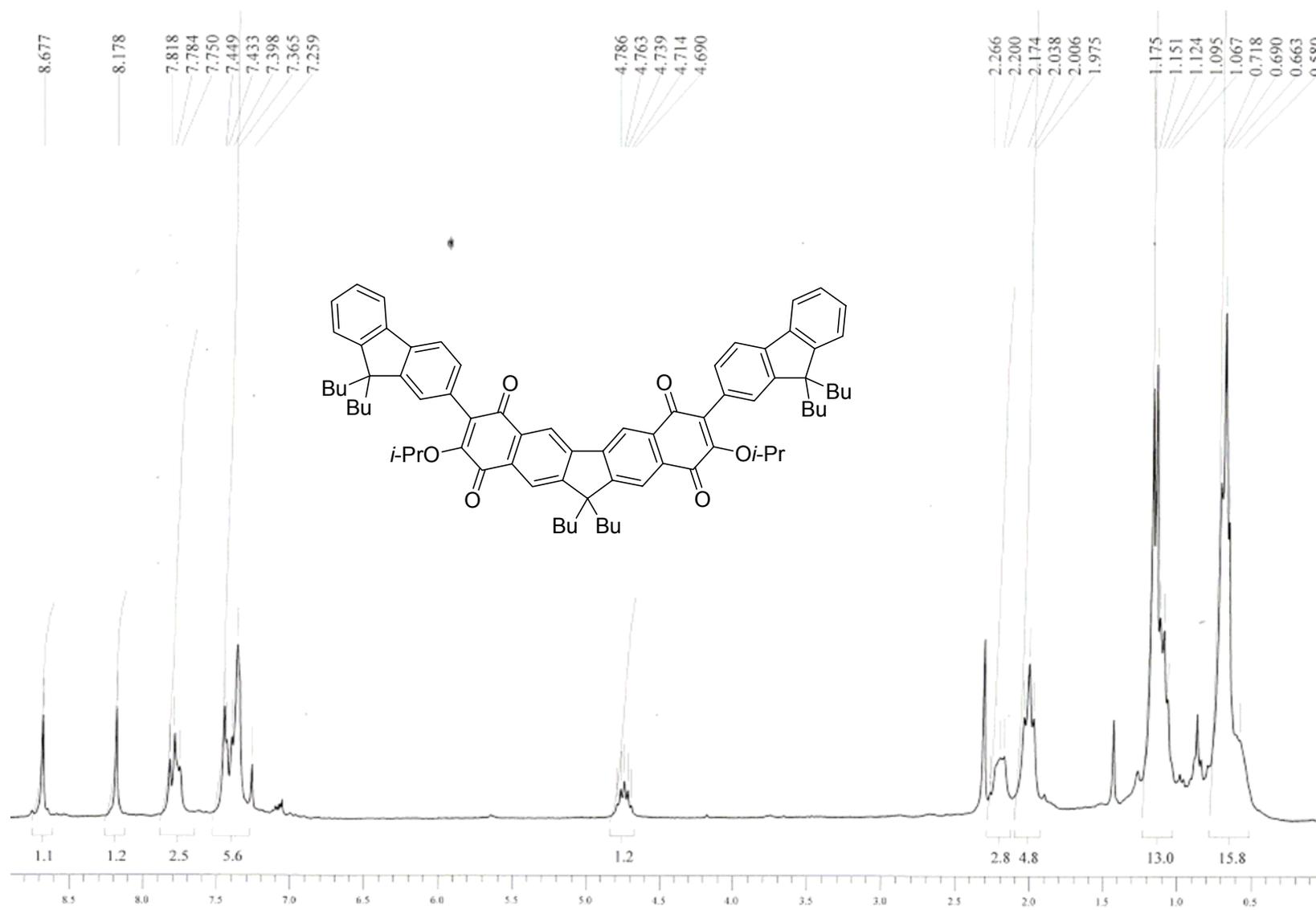


Figure S33. ¹H NMR spectrum of compound Q4.

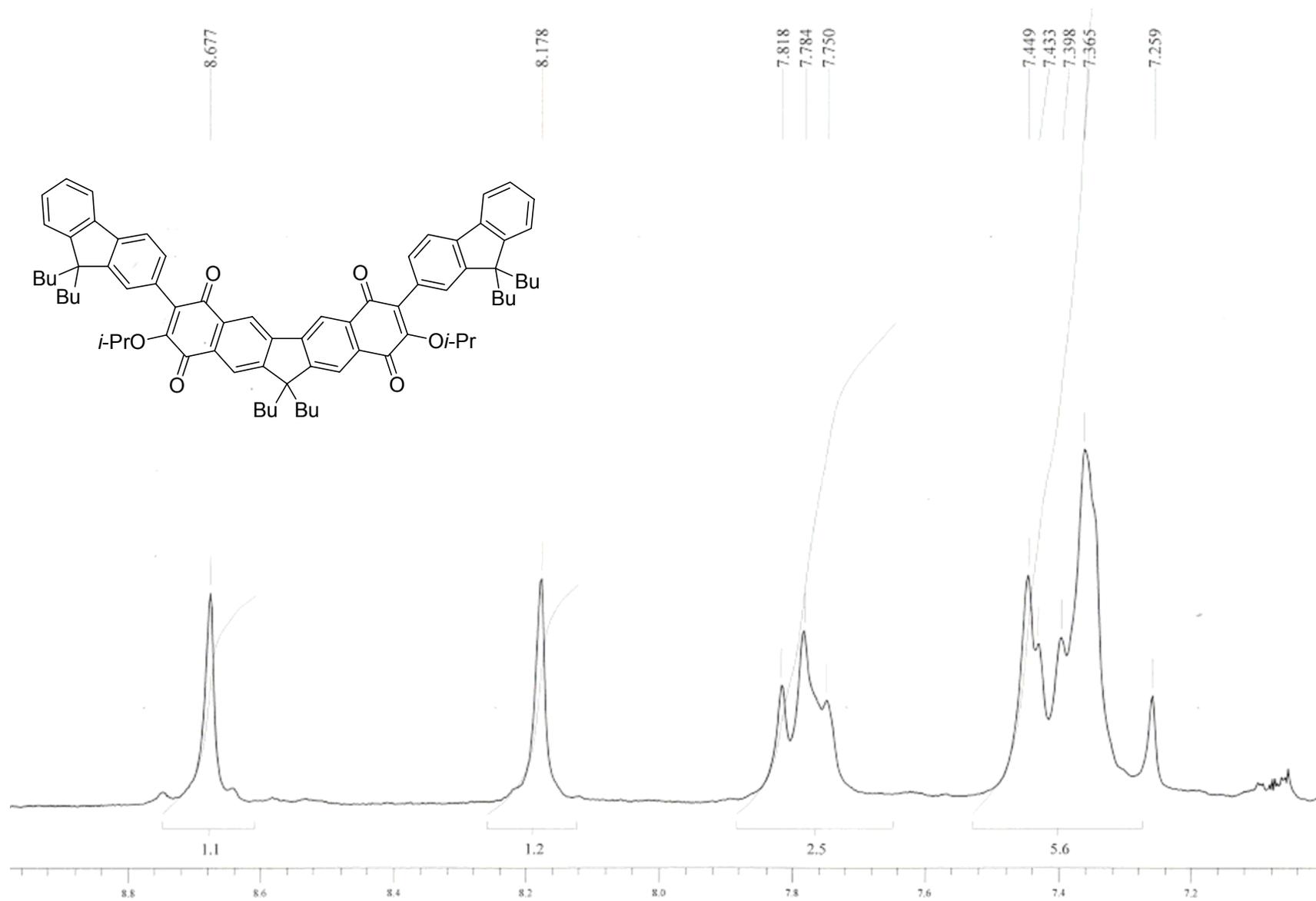


Figure S34. ¹H NMR spectrum of compound Q4 (9.0–7.0 ppm).

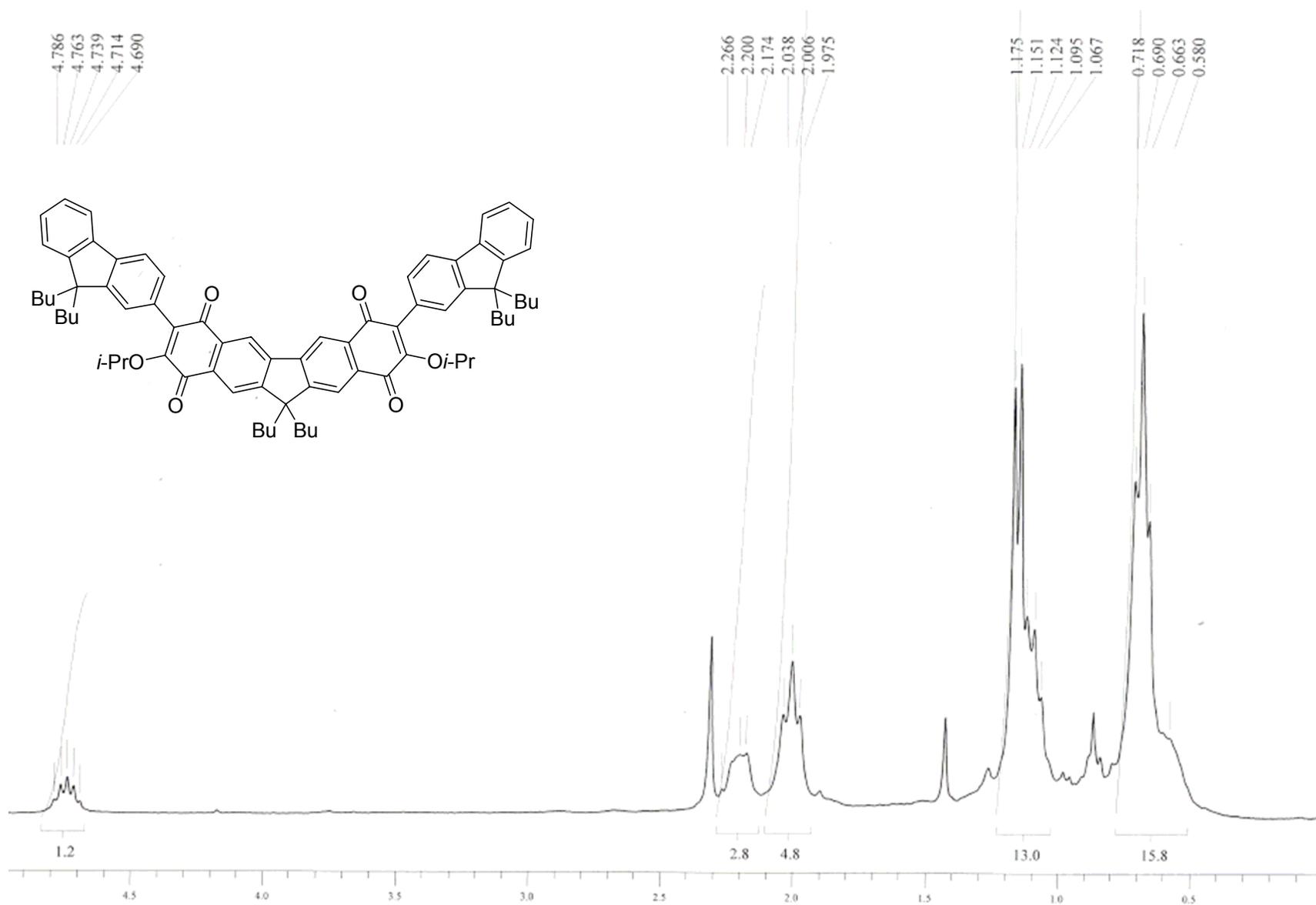


Figure S35. ¹H NMR spectrum of compound Q4 (5.0–0.0 ppm).

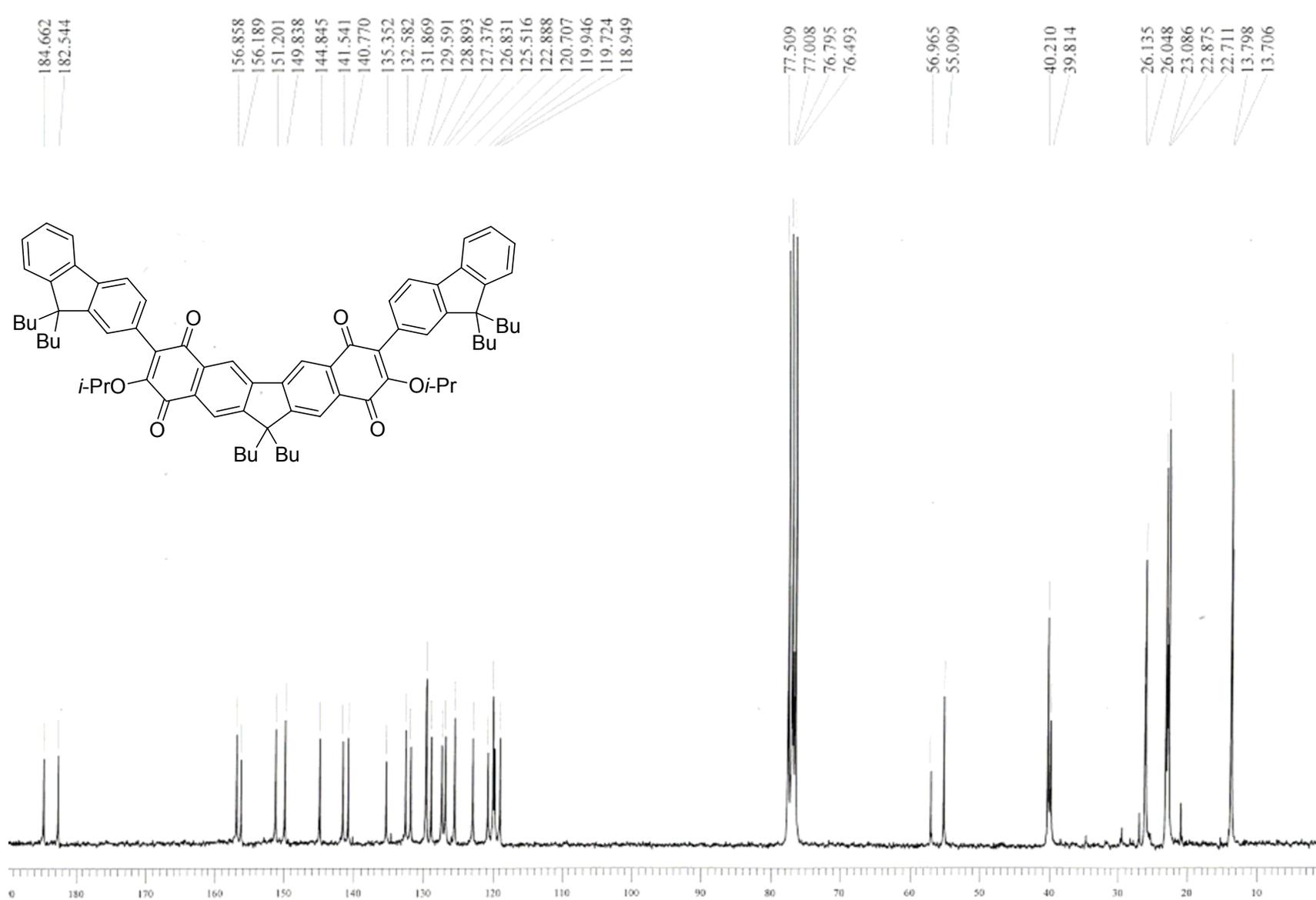


Figure S36. ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound Q4.

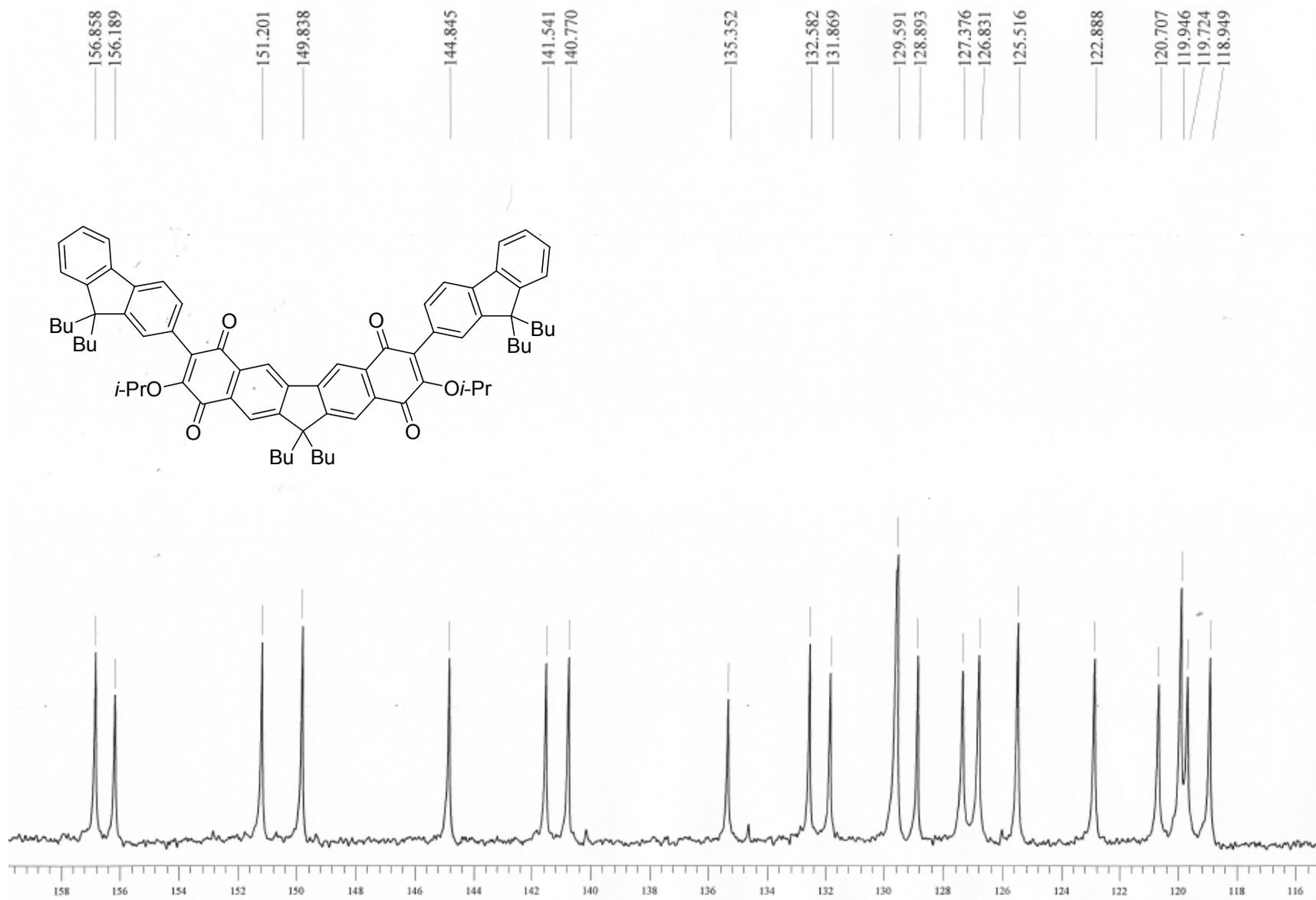


Figure S37. ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound Q4 (160–115 ppm).

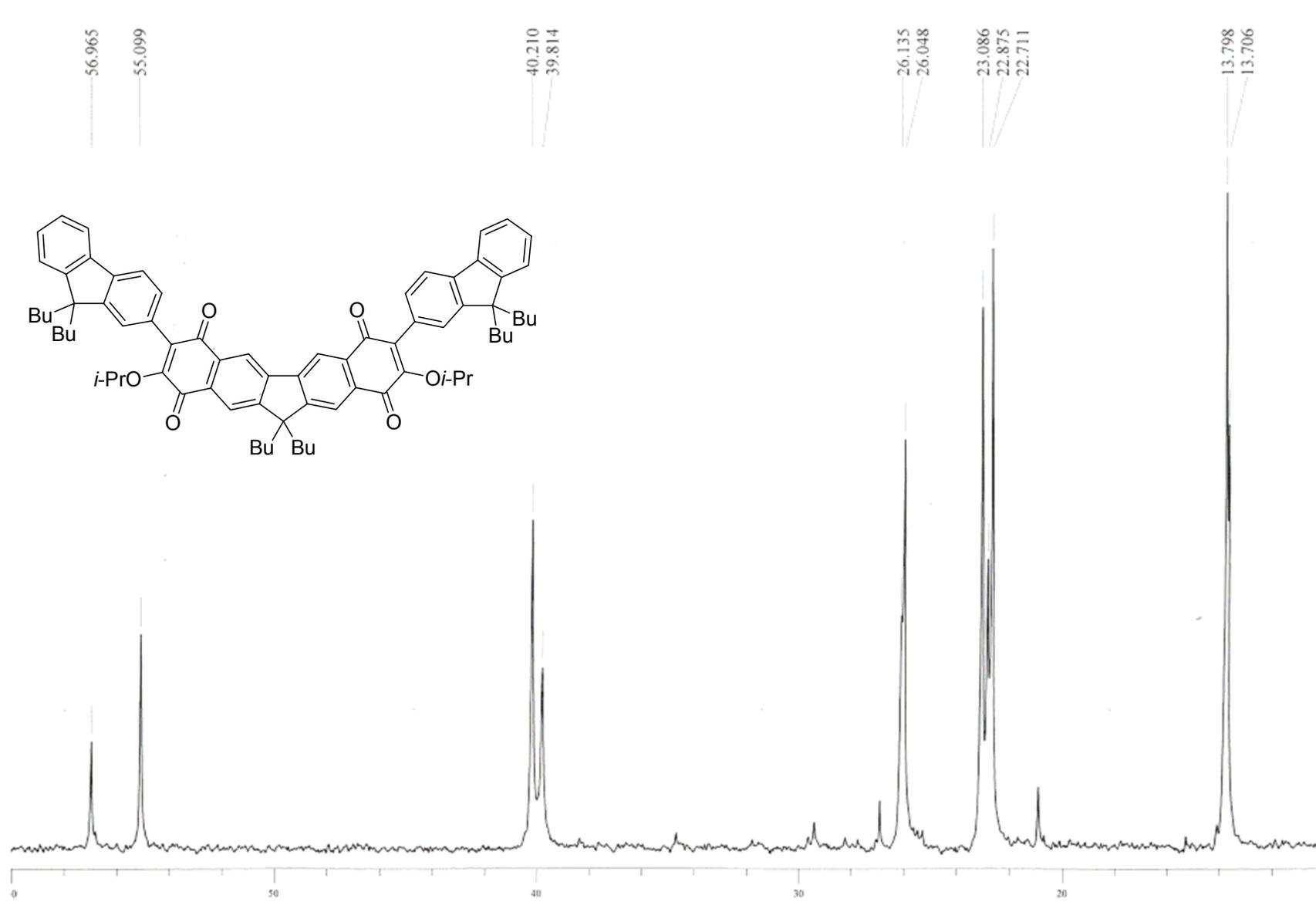


Figure S38. ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound Q4 (60–0.0 ppm).

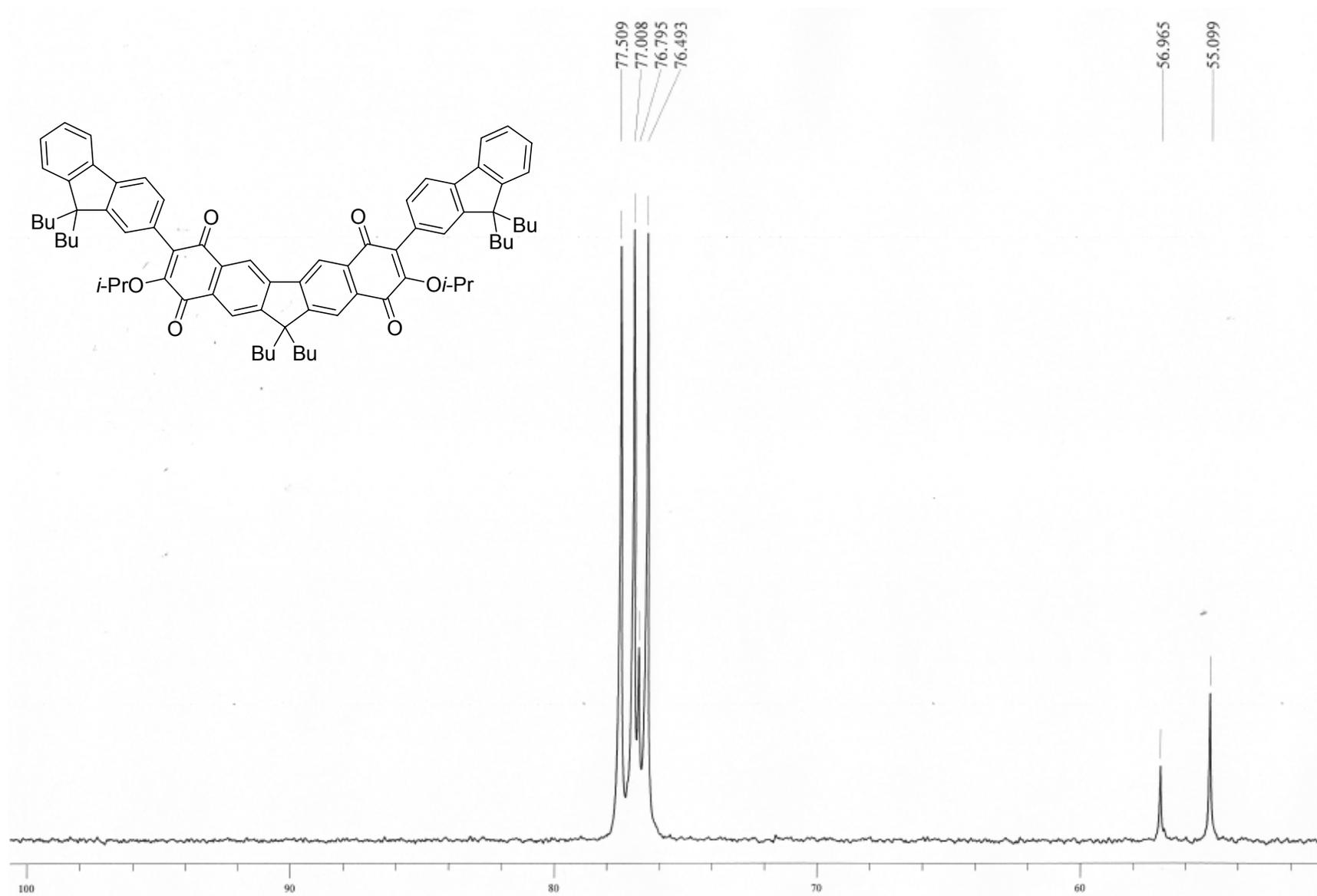


Figure S39. ^{13}C NMR spectrum of compound **Q4** (100–50 ppm).

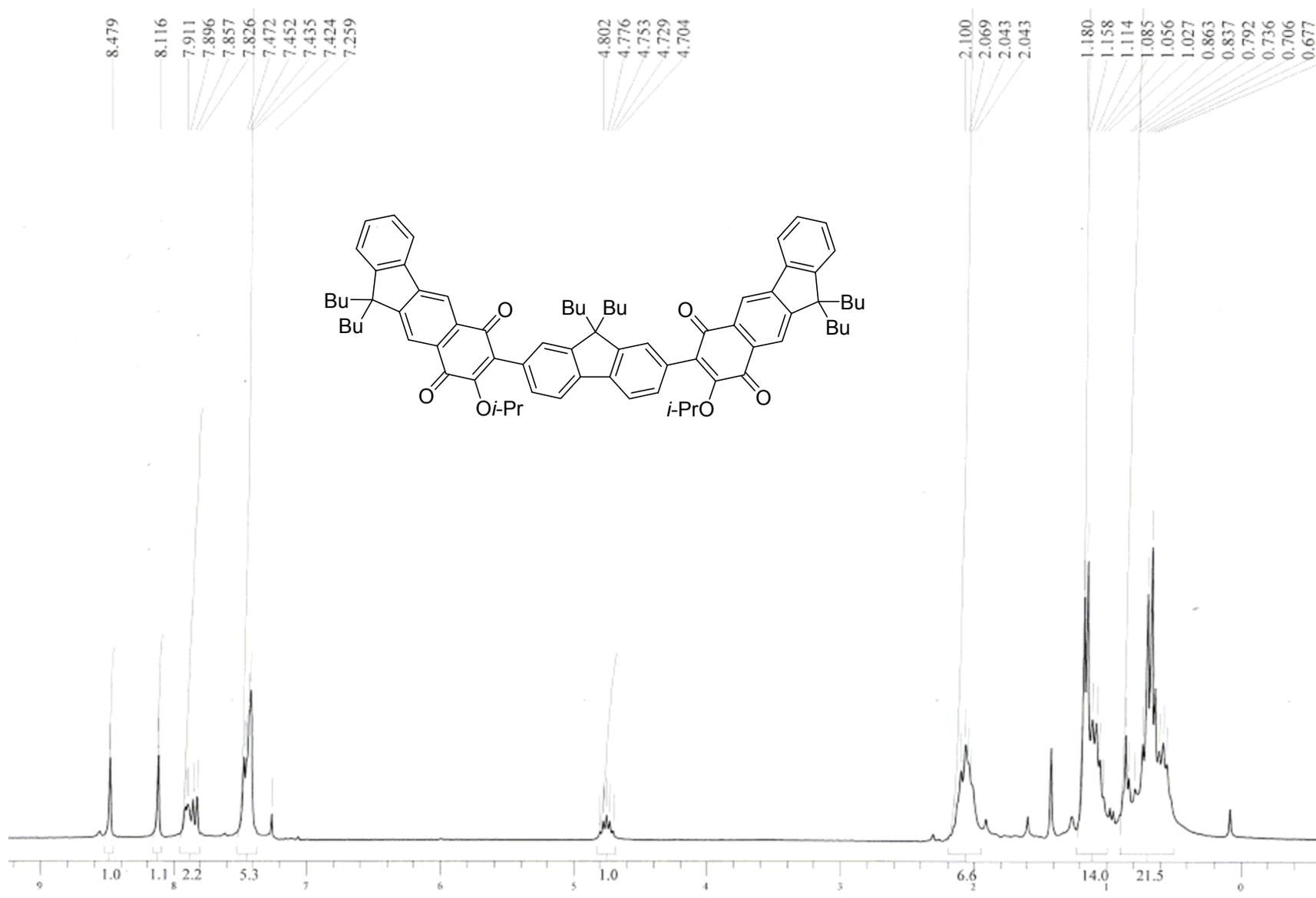


Figure S40. ¹H NMR spectrum of compound Q5.

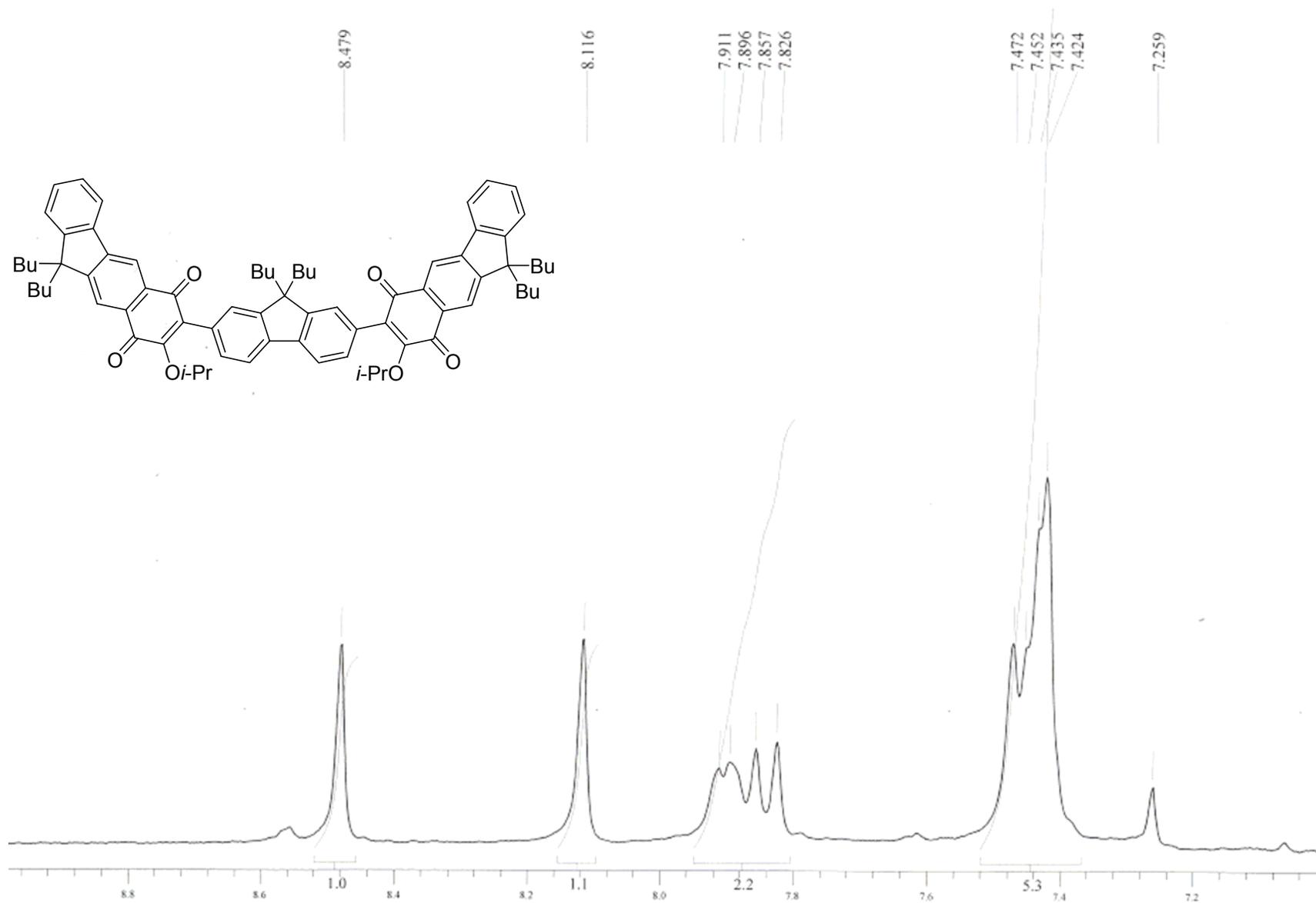
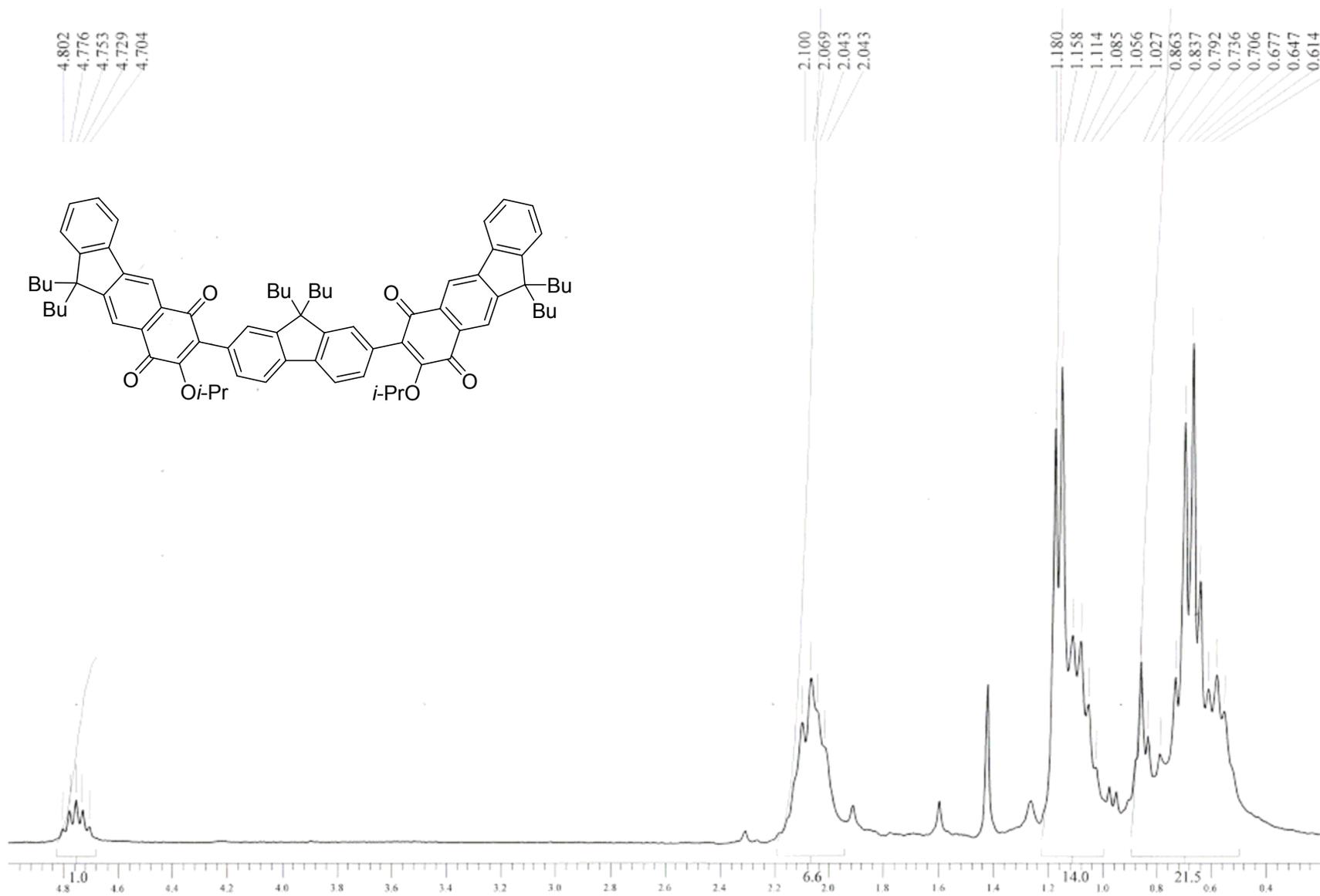


Figure S41. ¹H NMR spectrum of compound Q5 (9.0–7.0 ppm).



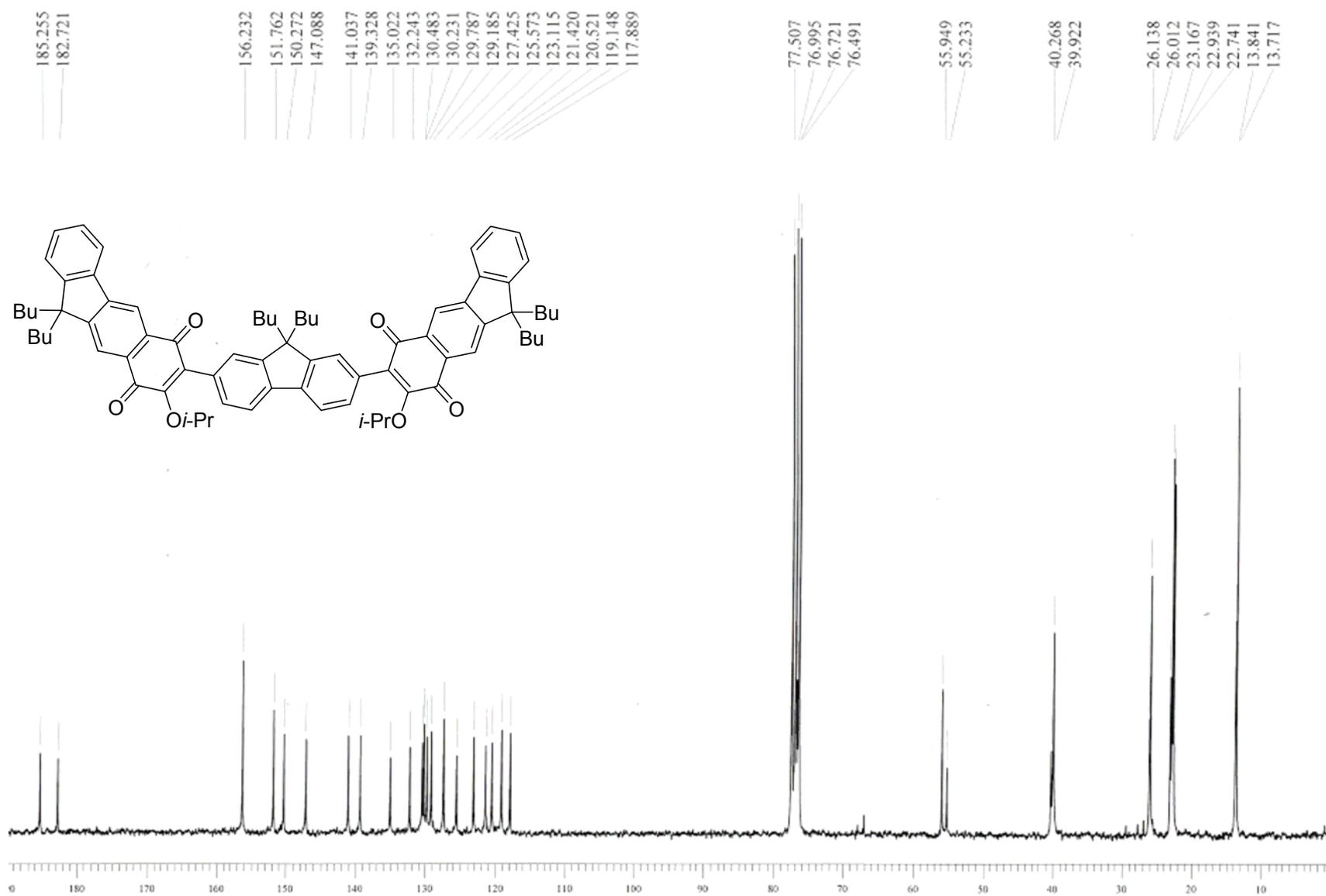


Figure S43. ^{13}C NMR spectrum of compound Q5.

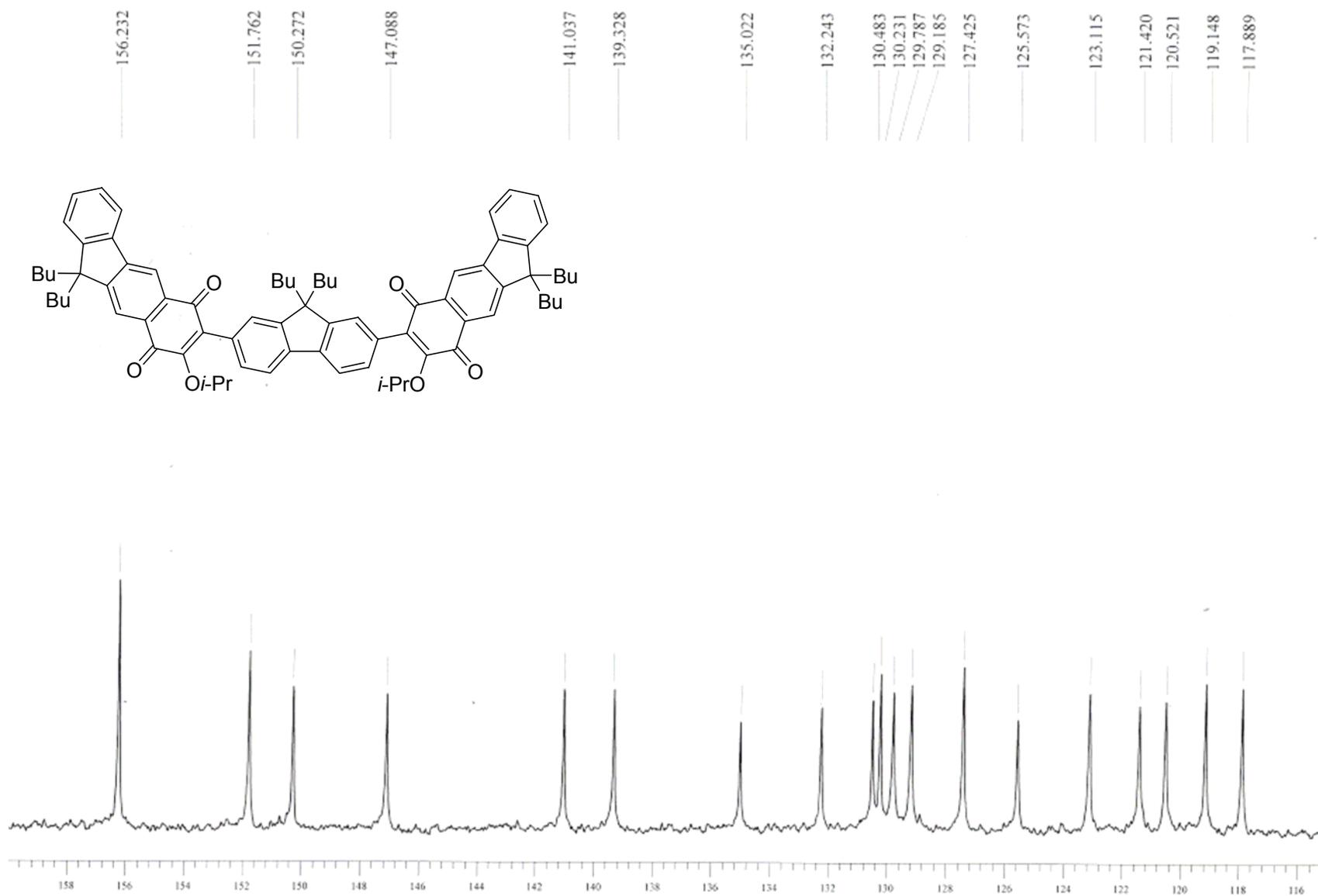


Figure S44. ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound **Q5** (160–115 ppm).

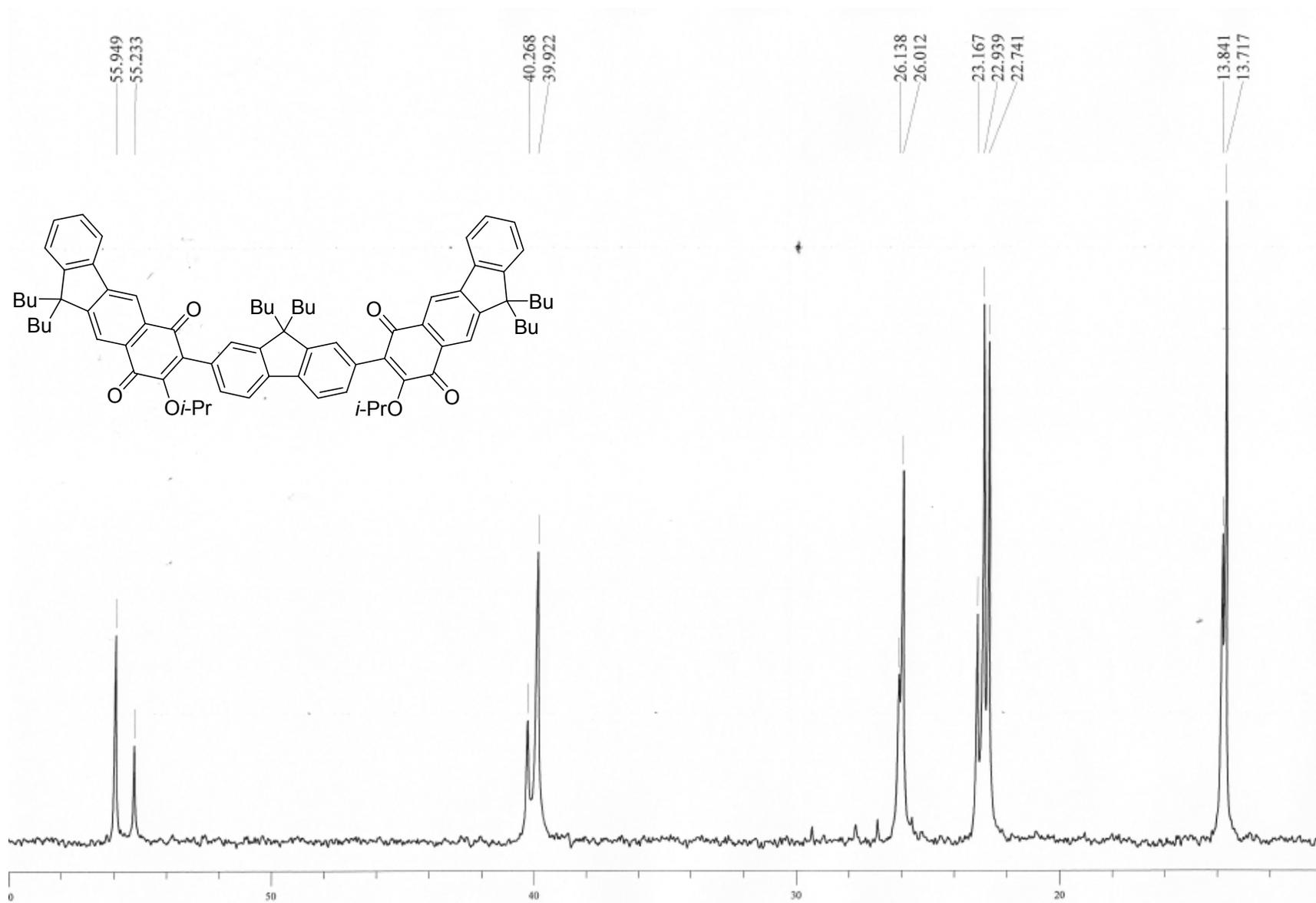


Figure S45. ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound Q5 (60–0.0 ppm).

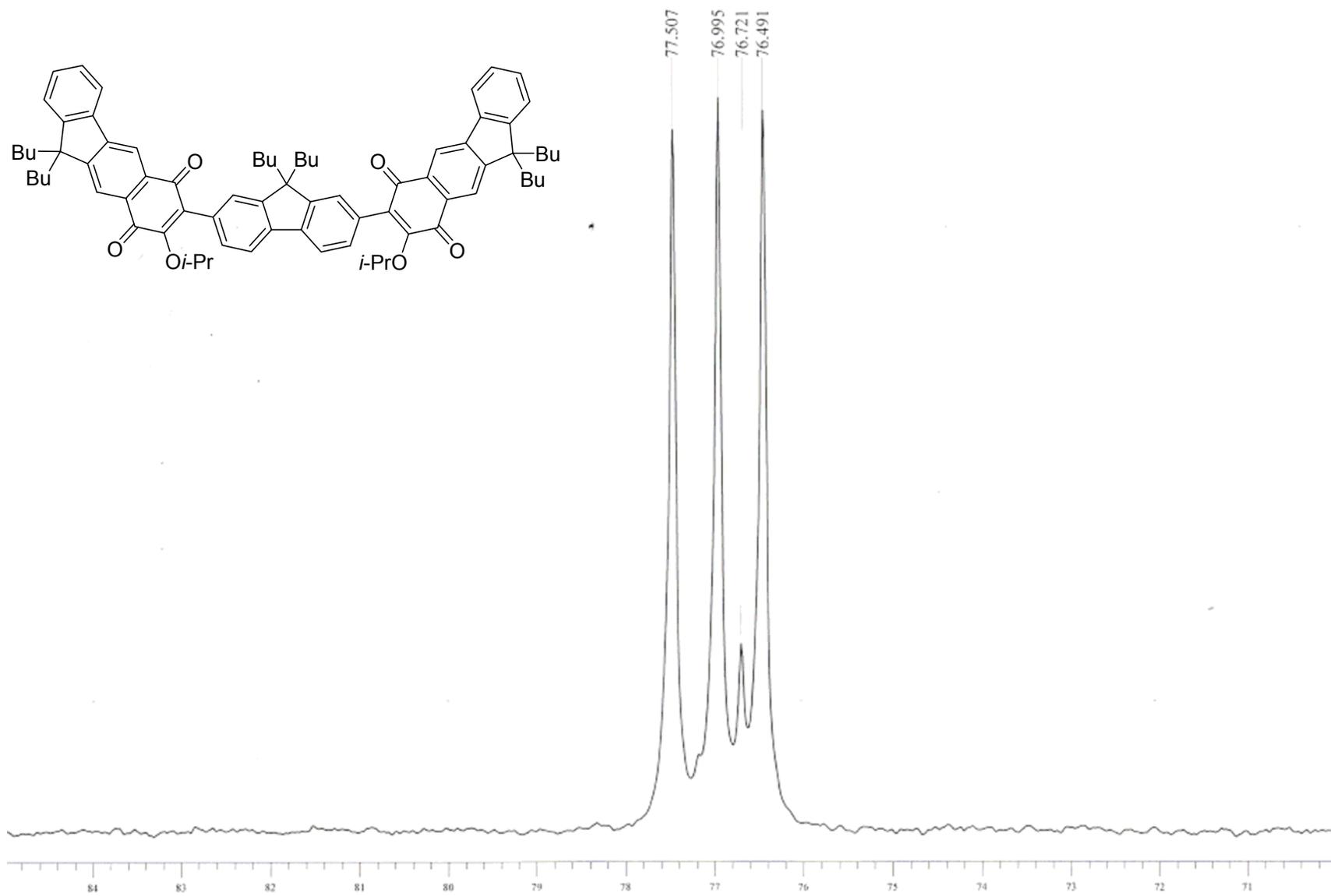


Figure S46. ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound **Q5** (85–70 ppm).