

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Investigating the Reaction Mechanism and

Organocatalytic Synthesis of α,α' -Dihydroxy Ketones

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1. Formation of Mosher's esters.¹

3,3,3-Trifluoro-2-methoxy-2-phenyl-propionic acid 3-hydroxy-2-oxo-3-p-tolyl-propyl ester (Mosher's ester of 3d). The reaction was carried out under anhydrous conditions. To a stirred solution of **3d** (0.010 g, 0.03 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (1 mL) was added 2,4,6-collidine (33 µL, 0.25 mmol) and (S)-MTPA chloride (10 µL, 0.04 mmol), and the reaction was stirred for 12 h at rt. The product was dry loaded onto silica gel and purified using flash chromatography (EtOAc/hexane, 1:4) to afford the titled compound as a colorless oil (0.012 g, 55%), (2*R*,3'*R*) major isomer. *R*_f 0.50 (EtOAc/hexane, 1:4); ¹H NMR (600 MHz; CDCl₃) δ 2.35 (3H, s, CH₃), 3.61 (3H, s, OCH₃), 4.70 (0.61H, d, *J* 17.4 Hz, CHHO (2*R*,3'*R*)), 4.85 (0.39H, d, *J* 17.4 Hz, CHHO (2*S*,3'*R*)), 4.89 (0.39H, d, *J* 17.4 Hz, CHHO (2*S*,3'*R*)), 5.00 (0.61H, d, *J* 17.4 Hz, CHHO (2*R*,3'*R*)), 5.21 (1H, s, CHOH), 7.21 (4H, m, ArH), 7.42 (3H, m, Ph), 7.63 (2H, m, ArH); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz; CDCl₃) δ 21.4, 55.9, 77.9, 127.3 (signal overlap), 128.6, 130.1 (signal overlap), 133.8, 139.6, 168.3, 201.0; ¹⁹F NMR (282 MHz; CDCl₃) δ -72.2; *m/z* (CI) 397 (MH⁺, 10%), 379 (100), 145 (84); *m/z* (HR-Cl) calcd for MH⁺ C₂₀H₂₀F₃O₅ 397.12628, found 397.12642.

3,3,3-Trifluoro-2-methoxy-2-phenyl-propionic acid 3-(4-fluoro-phenyl)-3-hydroxy-2-oxo-propyl ester (Mosher's ester of 3e). The reaction was carried out under anhydrous conditions. To a stirred solution of **3e** (0.008 g, 0.04 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (1 mL) was added 2,4,6-collidine (33 µL, 0.25 mmol) and (S)-MTPA chloride (10 µL, 0.04 mmol) and the reaction was stirred for 12 h at rt. The product was dry loaded onto silica gel and purified using flash chromatography (EtOAc/hexane, 1:4) to afford the titled compound as a colorless oil (0.010 g, 59%), (2*R*,3'*R*) major isomer. *R*_f 0.50 (EtOAc/hexane, 1:4); ¹H NMR (600 MHz; CDCl₃) δ 3.61 (3H, s, OCH₃), 4.74 (0.63H, d, *J* 16.8 Hz, CHHO (2*R*,3'*R*)), 4.88 (0.74H, m, CH₂O (2*S*,3'*R*)), 4.99 (0.63H, d, *J* 16.8 Hz, CHHO (2*R*,3'*R*)), 5.24 (1H, d, *J* 3.0 Hz, CHOH), 7.09 (3H, m, ArH), 7.42 (4H, m, ArH), 7.58 (2H, m, ArH); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz; CDCl₃) δ 55.9, 66.4, 77.4, 114.3 (d, ²J_{CF} 21.1 Hz), 116.6 (d, ²J_{CF} 21.1 Hz), 122.9, 127.5 (signal overlap), 128.6 (signal overlap), 130.0, 131.2, 131.7, 139.1, 163.3 (d, ¹J_{CF} 246 Hz, CF), 166.2, 201.4; ¹⁹F NMR (282 MHz; CDCl₃) δ -72.2, -112.4; *m/z* (HR-Cl) calcd for MH⁺ C₁₉H₁₇O₅F₄ 401.10060, found 401.10051.

3,3,3-Trifluoro-2-methoxy-2-phenyl-propionic acid 3-(4-chloro-phenyl)-3-hydroxy-2-oxo-propyl ester (Mosher's ester of 3f). The reaction was carried out under anhydrous conditions. To a stirred solution of **3f** (0.007 g, 0.04 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (1 mL) was added 2,4,6-collidine (33 µL, 0.25 mmol) and (S)-MTPA chloride (10 µL, 0.04 mmol), and the reaction was stirred for 12 h at rt. The product was dry loaded onto silica gel and purified using flash chromatography (EtOAc/hexane, 1:4) to afford the titled compound as a colourless oil (0.009 g, 60%), (2*R*,3'*R*) major isomer. *R*_f 0.50 (EtOAc/hexane, 1:4); $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{neat})/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3420, 2930, 2855, 1734; ¹H NMR (600 MHz; CDCl₃) δ 3.60 (3H, s, OCH₃), 4.74 (0.70H, d, *J* 17.1 Hz, CHHO (2*R*,3'*R*)), 4.88 (0.60H, m, CH₂O (2*S*,3'*R*)), 4.99

(0.70H, d, *J* 17.1 Hz, CH_{HO} (*2R,3'R*)), 5.22 (1H, d, *J* 3.0 Hz, CHO_H), 7.29–7.42 (7H, m, ArH), 7.52 (2H, m, ArH); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz; CDCl₃) δ 55.9, 66.5, 84.7 (d, ²J_{CF} 28.5 Hz), 123.1 (d, ¹J_{CF} 285 Hz), 127.5, 128.6, 128.7, 129.7, 130.0, 131.7, 135.2, 135.6, 166.2, 201.4; ¹⁹F NMR (282 MHz; CDCl₃) δ -72.2; *m/z* (HR-ES-) calcd for [M-H]⁻ C₁₉H₁₅³⁵ClF₃O₅ 415.0560, found 415.0506.

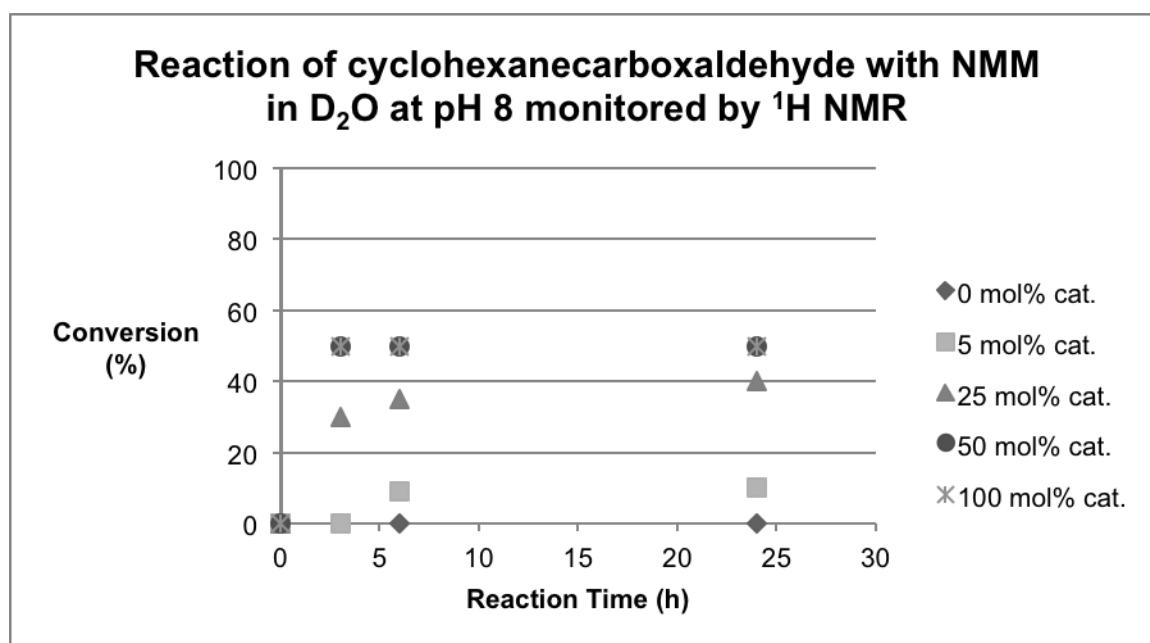
3,3,3-Trifluoro-2-methoxy-2-phenyl-propionic acid 3-(3-fluorophenyl)-3-hydroxy-2-oxo-propyl ester (Mosher's ester of 3i). The reaction was carried out under anhydrous conditions. To a stirred solution of **3i** (0.008 g, 0.04 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (1 mL) was added 2,4,6-collidine (33 μL, 0.25 mmol) and (S)-MTPA chloride (10 μL, 0.04 mmol) the reaction was stirred for 12 h at rt. The product was dry loaded onto silica gel and purified using flash chromatography (EtOAc/hexane, 1:4) to afford the titled compound as a colourless oil (0.010 g, 59%), and (*2R,3'R*) as the major isomer. *R*_f 0.50 (EtOAc/hexane, 1:4); ¹H NMR (600 MHz; CDCl₃) δ 3.61 (3H, s, OCH₃), 4.73 (0.63H, d, *J* 16.8 Hz, CH_{HO} (*2R,3'R*)), 4.87 (0.75H, m, CH₂O (*2S,3'R*))), 4.99 (0.63H, d, *J* 16.8 Hz, CH_{HO} (*2R, 3'R*)), 5.24 (1H, d, *J* 3.0 Hz, CHO_H), 7.04–7.10 (2H, m, ArH), 7.29–7.43 (5H, m, ArH), 7.58 (2H, m, ArH); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz; CDCl₃) δ 55.9, 66.4, 77.4, 114.2 (d, ²J_{CF} 21.0 Hz), 116.5 (d, ²J_{CF} 21.1 Hz), 127.5, 128.6 (signals superimposed), 130.0, 131.2, 131.7, 139.1, 163.3 (d, ¹J_{CF} 246 Hz, CF), 166.2, 201.4; ¹⁹F NMR (282 MHz; CDCl₃) δ -72.2, -112.4; *m/z* (HR-ES+) calcd for MH⁺ C₁₉H₁₇F₄O₅ 401.10060, found 401.10051.

3,3,3-Trifluoro-2-methoxy-2-phenyl-propionic acid 3-hydroxy-3-(3-methoxyphenyl)-2-oxo-propyl ester (Mosher's ester of 3k). The reaction was carried out under anhydrous conditions. To a stirred solution of **3k** (0.007 g, 0.04 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (1 mL) was added 2,4,6-collidine (33 μL, 0.25 mmol) and (S)-MTPA chloride (10 μL, 0.04 mmol) and the reaction was stirred for 12 h at rt. The product was dry loaded onto silica gel and purified using flash chromatography (EtOAc/hexane, 1:4) to afford the titled compound as a colorless oil (0.010 g, 67%), (*2R,3'R*) as the major isomer. *R*_f 0.50 (EtOAc/hexane, 1:4); ¹H NMR (600 MHz; CDCl₃) δ 3.61 (3H, s, OCH₃), 3.81 (3H, s, OCH₃), 4.71 (0.64H, d, *J* 17.1 Hz, CH_{HO} (*2R,3'R*))), 4.87 (0.32H, d, *J* 17.1 Hz, CH_{HO} (*2S,3'R*))), 4.92 (0.32H, d, *J* 17.1 Hz, CH_{HO} (*2S,3'R*))), 5.03 (0.64H, d, *J* 17.1 Hz, CH_{HO} (*2R,3'R*))), 5.22 (1H, s, CHO_H), 6.86–6.92 (3H, m, ArH), 7.31 (1H, app. t, *J* 7.8 Hz, ArH), 7.41 (3H, m, ArH), 7.59 (2H, m, ArH); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz; CDCl₃) δ 55.5, 55.9, 66.5, 77.6, 112.6, 115.2, 119.6, 127.5, 128.6 (signal overlap), 130.0, 130.6, 138.2, 160.4, 166.3, 201.6; ¹⁹F NMR (282 MHz; CDCl₃) δ -72.2; *m/z* (HR-ES-) calcd for [M-H]⁻ C₂₀H₁₈F₃O₆ 411.1056, found 411.1036.

3-[1-Hydroxy-2-oxo-3-(3,3,3-trifluoro-2-methoxy-2-phenyl-propionyloxy)-propyl]-benzoic acid methyl ester (Mosher's ester of 3l). The reaction was carried out under anhydrous conditions. To a stirred solution of **3l** (0.010 g, 0.04 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (1 mL) was added 2,4,6-collidine (33 μL, 0.25 mmol) and (S)-MTPA chloride (10 μL, 0.04 mmol) the reaction was stirred for 12 h at rt. The product was dry loaded onto silica gel and purified using flash chromatography (EtOAc/hexane,

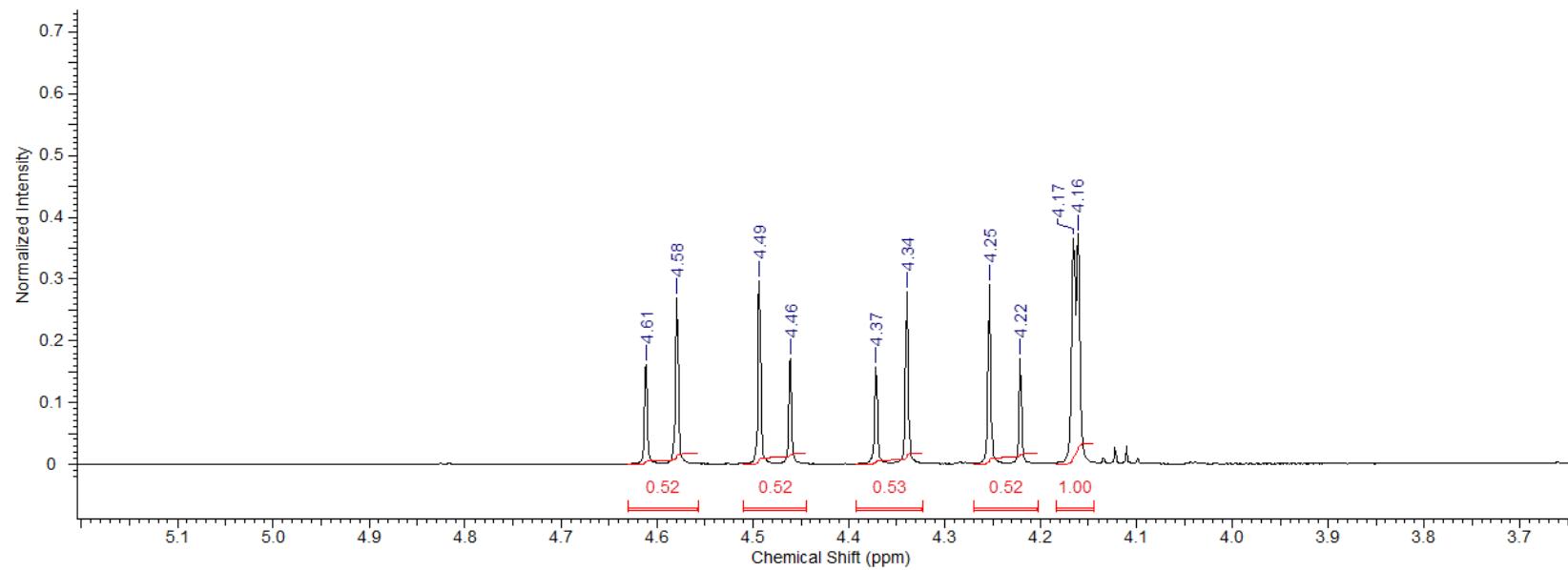
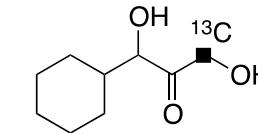
1:4) to afford the titled compound as a colourless oil (0.013 g, 65%), (*2R,3'R*) as the major isomer. R_f 0.50 (EtOAc/hexane, 1:4); ^1H NMR (600 MHz; CDCl_3) δ 3.62 (3H, s, OCH_3), 3.80 (3H, s, OCH_3), 4.72 (0.83H, d, J 17.0 Hz, CHCHO (*2R,3'R*)), 4.87 (0.17H, d, J 17.0 Hz, CHCHO (*2S,3'R*)), 4.93 (0.17H, d, J 17.0 Hz, CHCHO (*2S,3'R*)), 5.04 (0.83H, d, J 17.0 Hz, CHCHO (*2R,3'R*)), 5.22 (1H, s, CHOH), 6.86–6.92 (3H, m, ArH), 7.31 (1H, app. t, J 7.8 Hz, ArH), 7.41 (3H, m, ArH), 7.59 (2H, m, ArH); ^{13}C NMR (150 MHz; CDCl_3) δ 55.5, 55.9, 66.5, 78.0, 112.6, 115.2, 119.6, 127.5, 127.6, 128.6 (signal overlap), 130.0, 130.6, 160.4, 166.3, 201.6; ^{19}F NMR (282 MHz; CDCl_3) δ -72.2; m/z (HR-ES+) calcd for MNa^+ $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{19}\text{F}_3\text{O}_7\text{Na}$ 463.0981, found 463.0975.

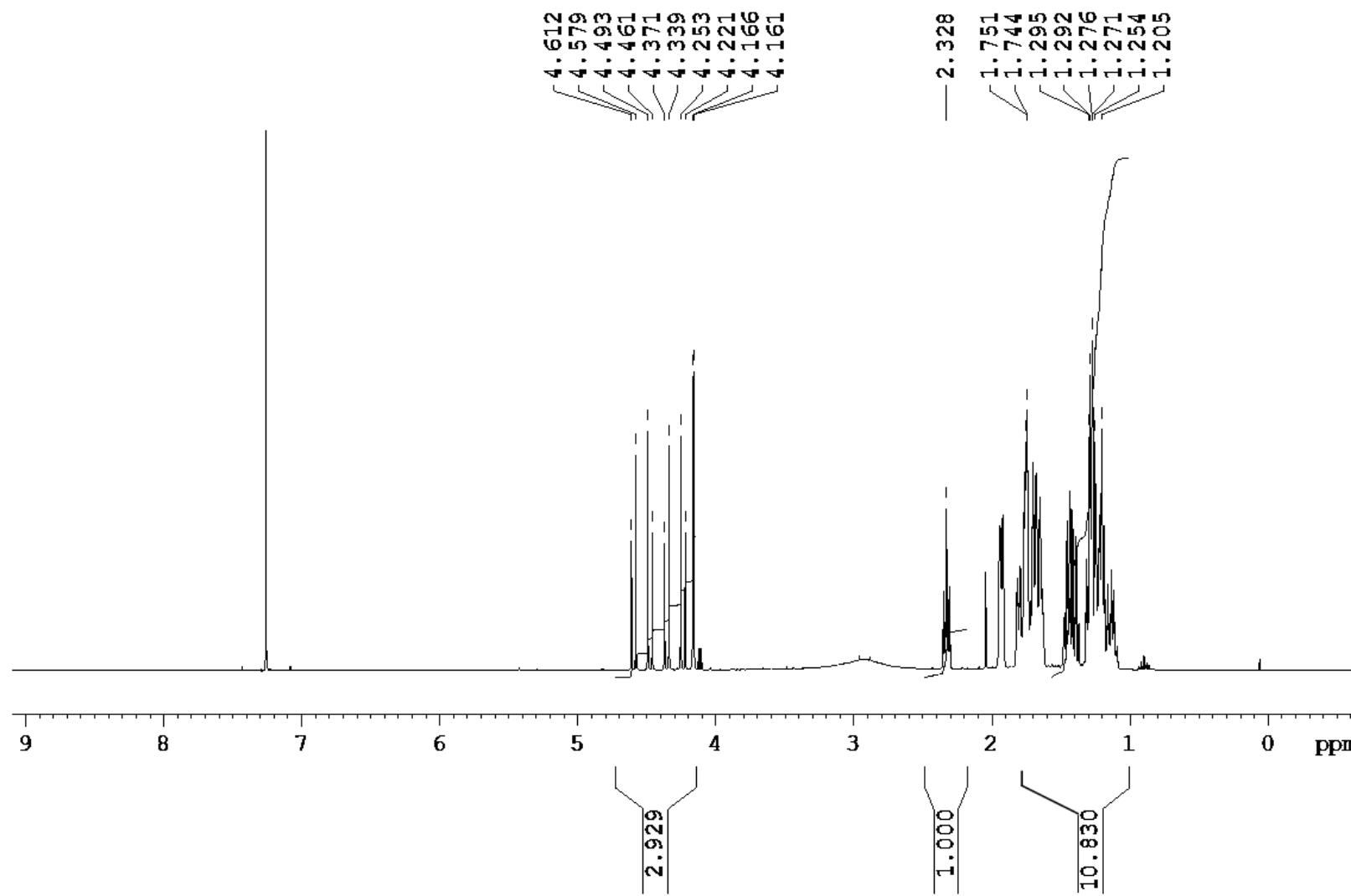
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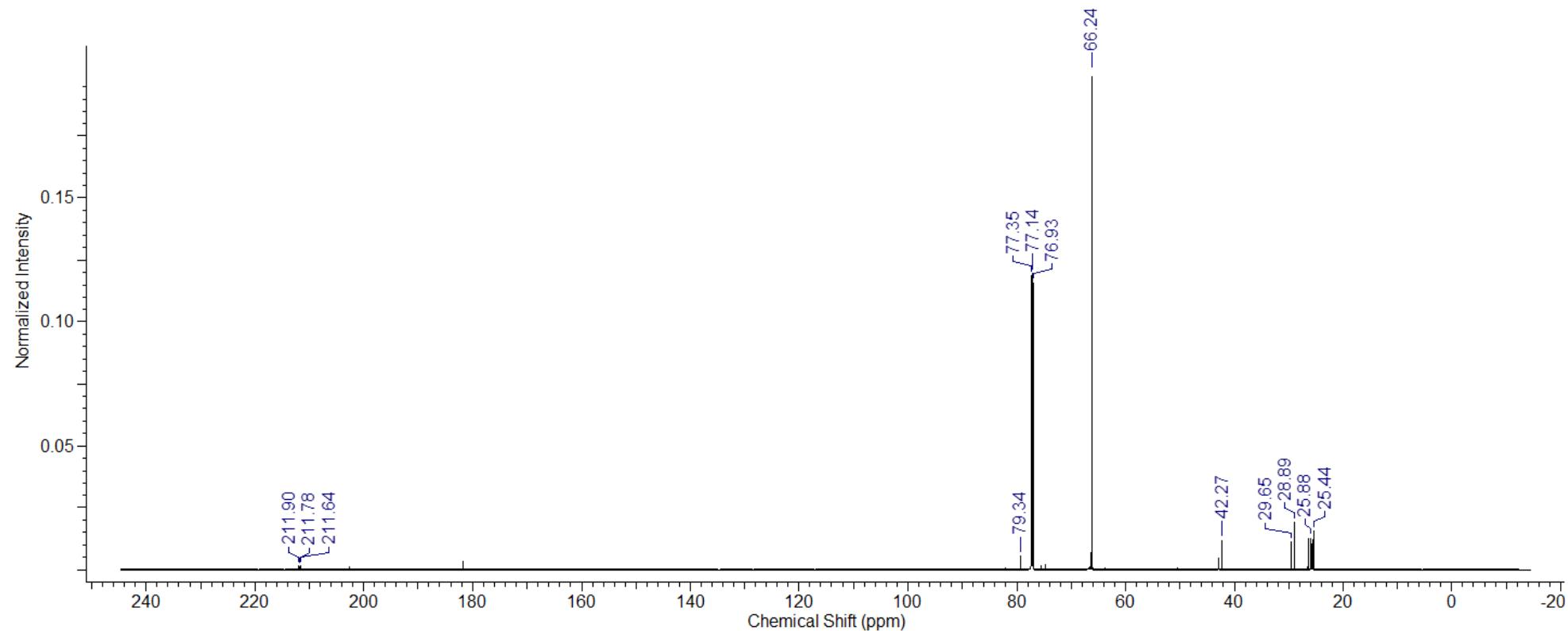
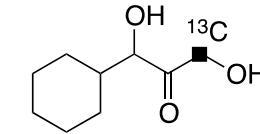
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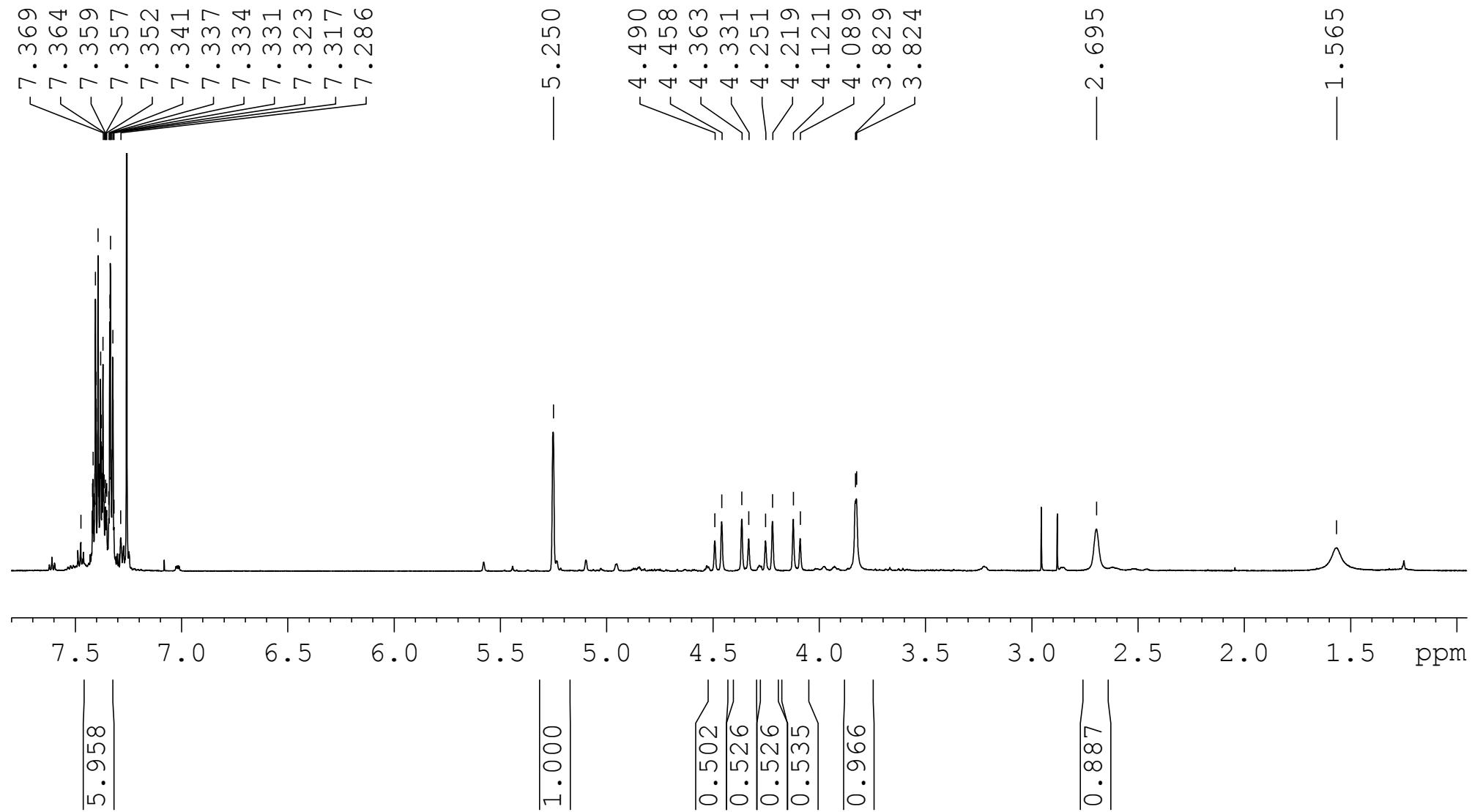




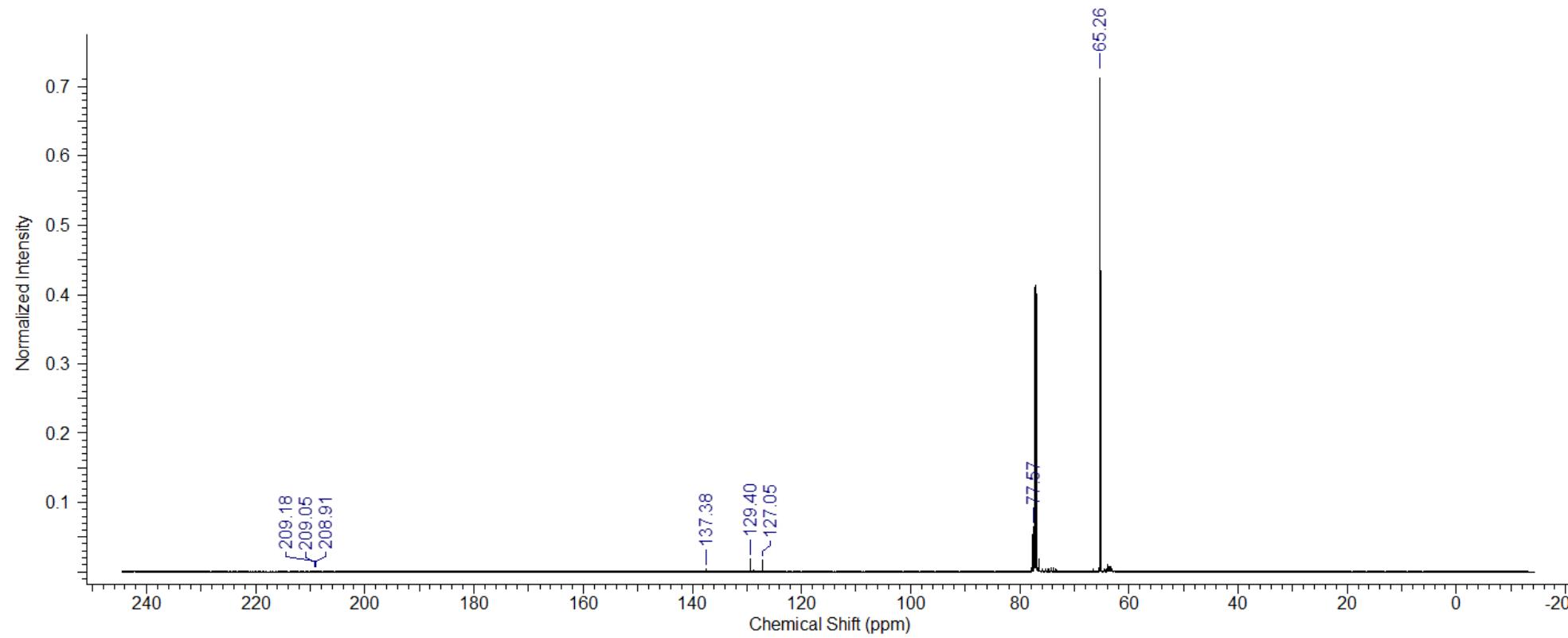
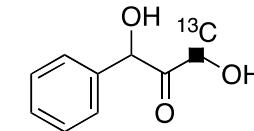
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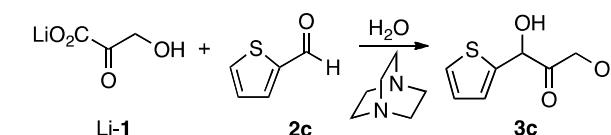
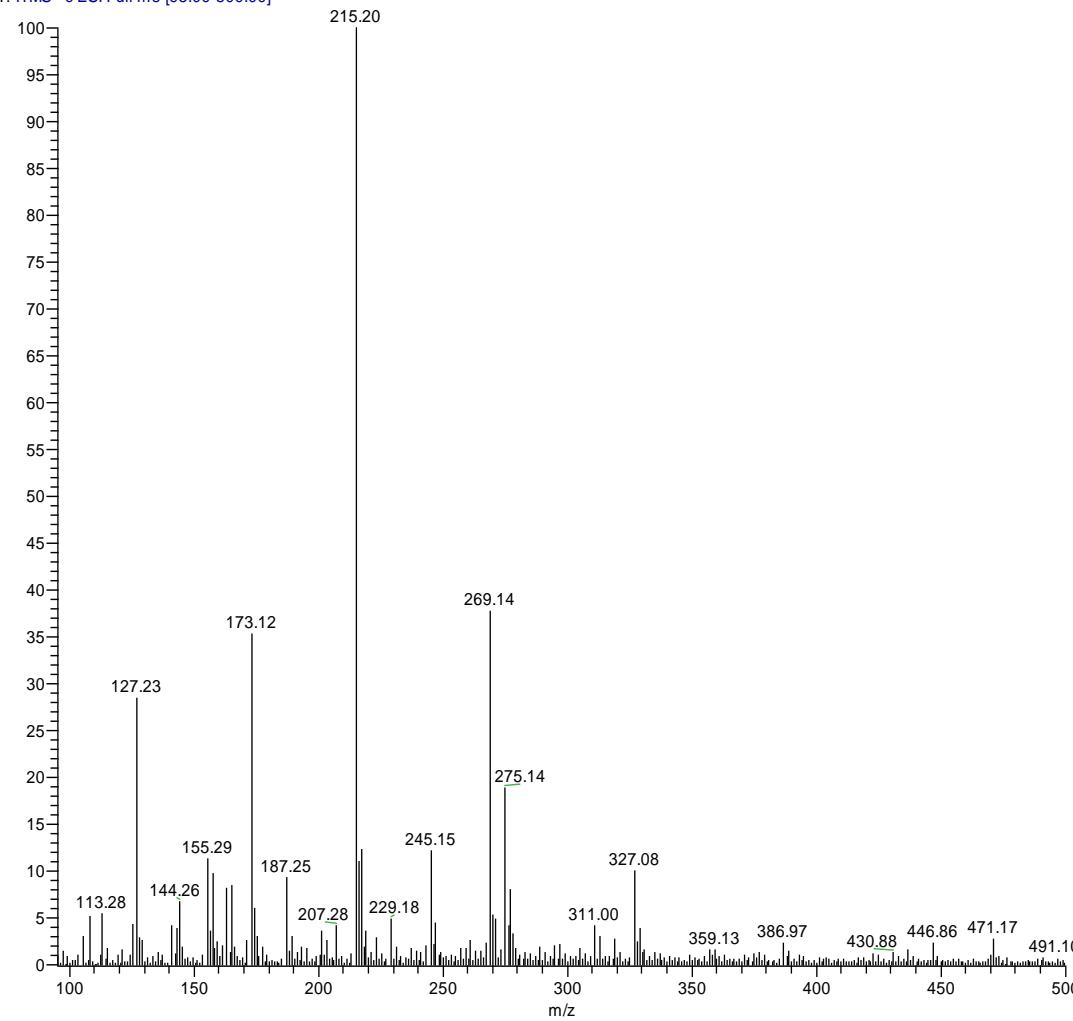


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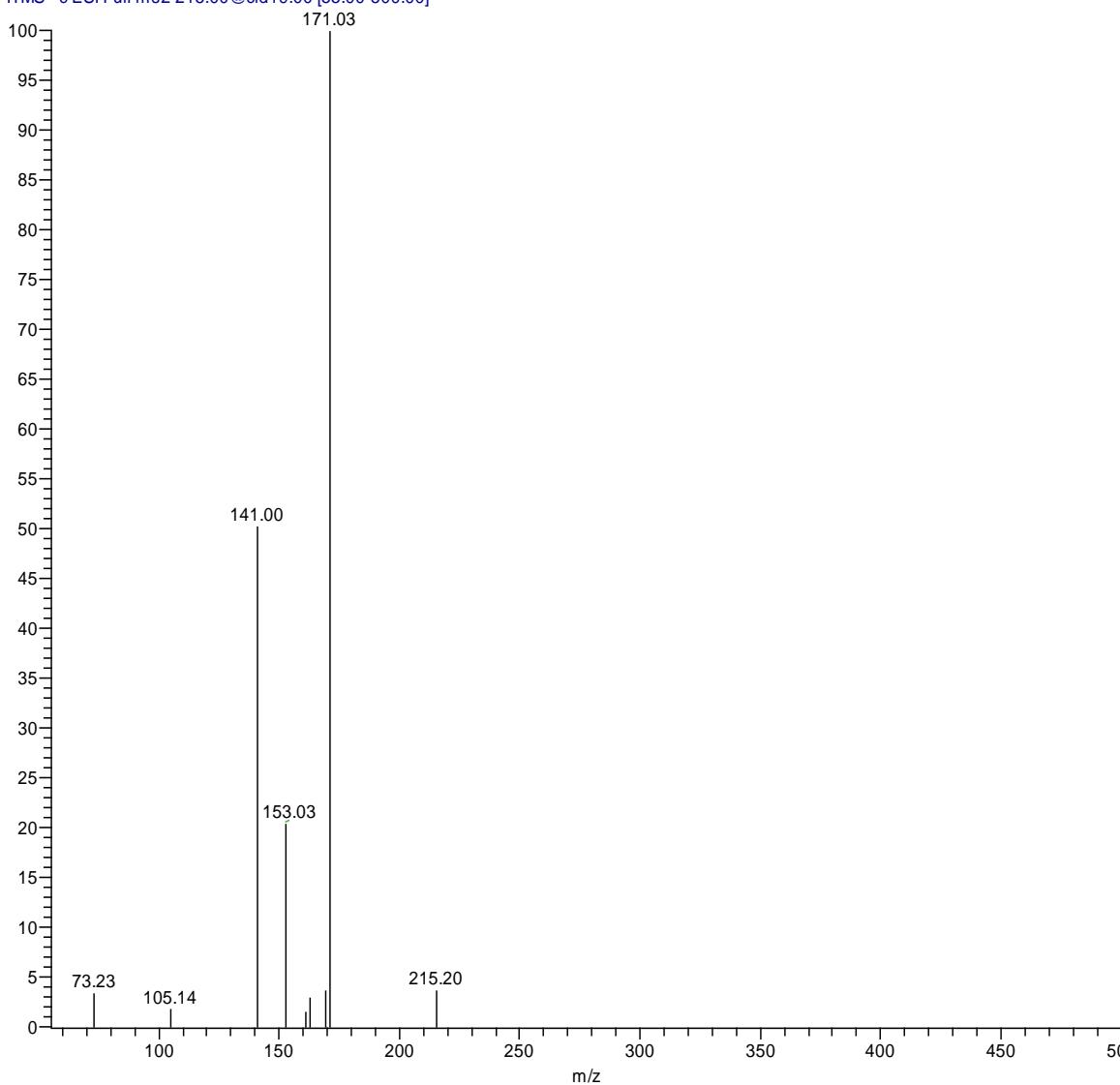
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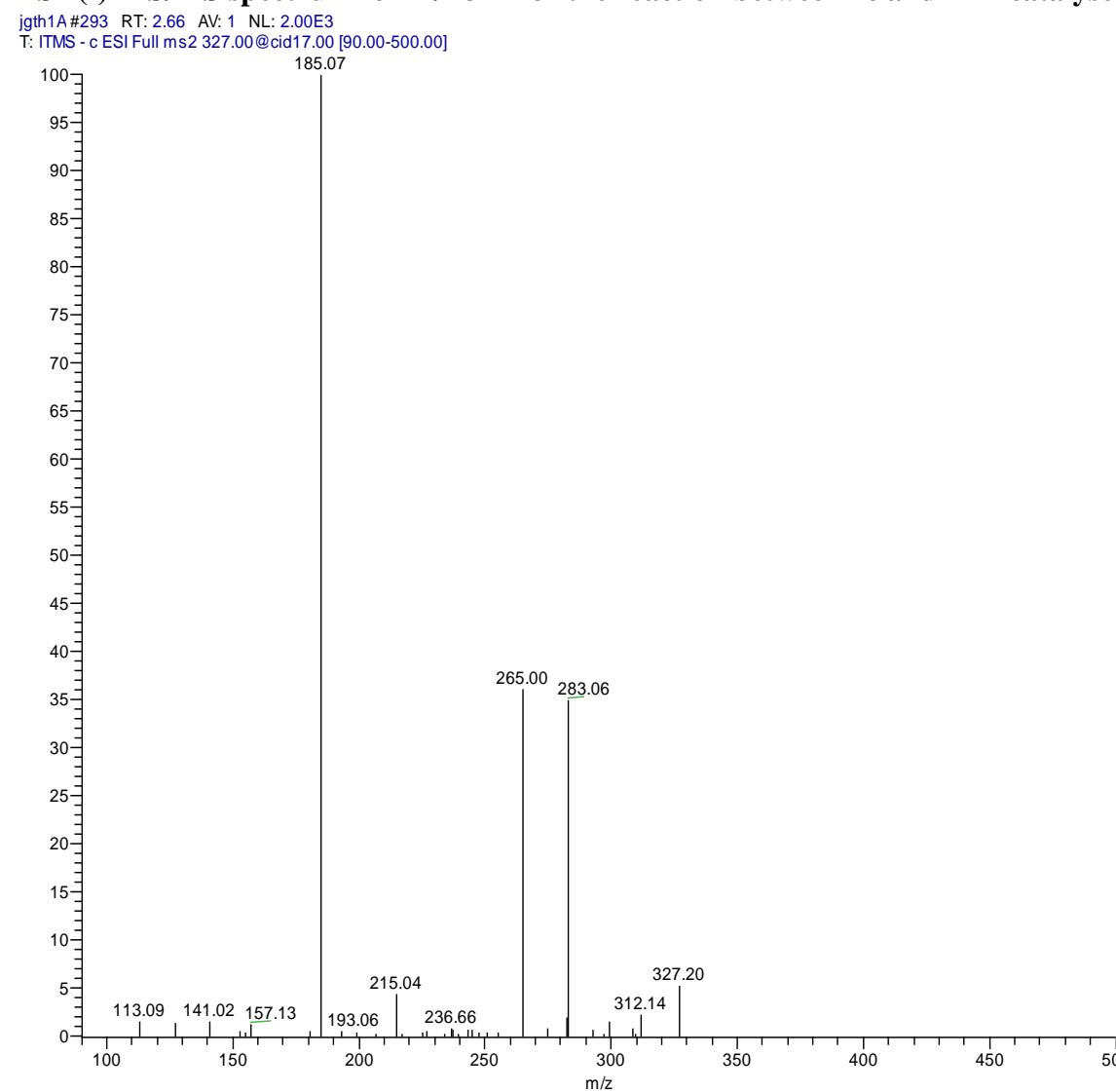


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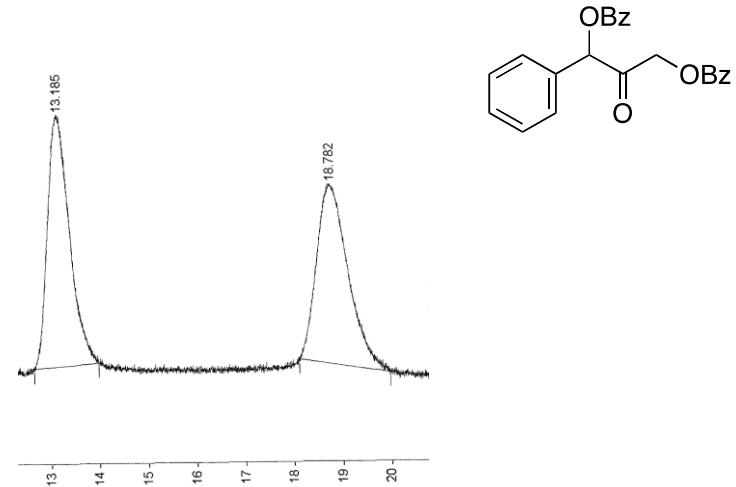


Chiral HPLC analysis of dibenzoylated 3b

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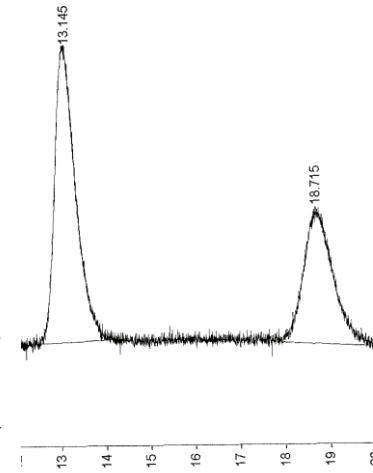
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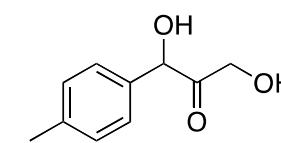


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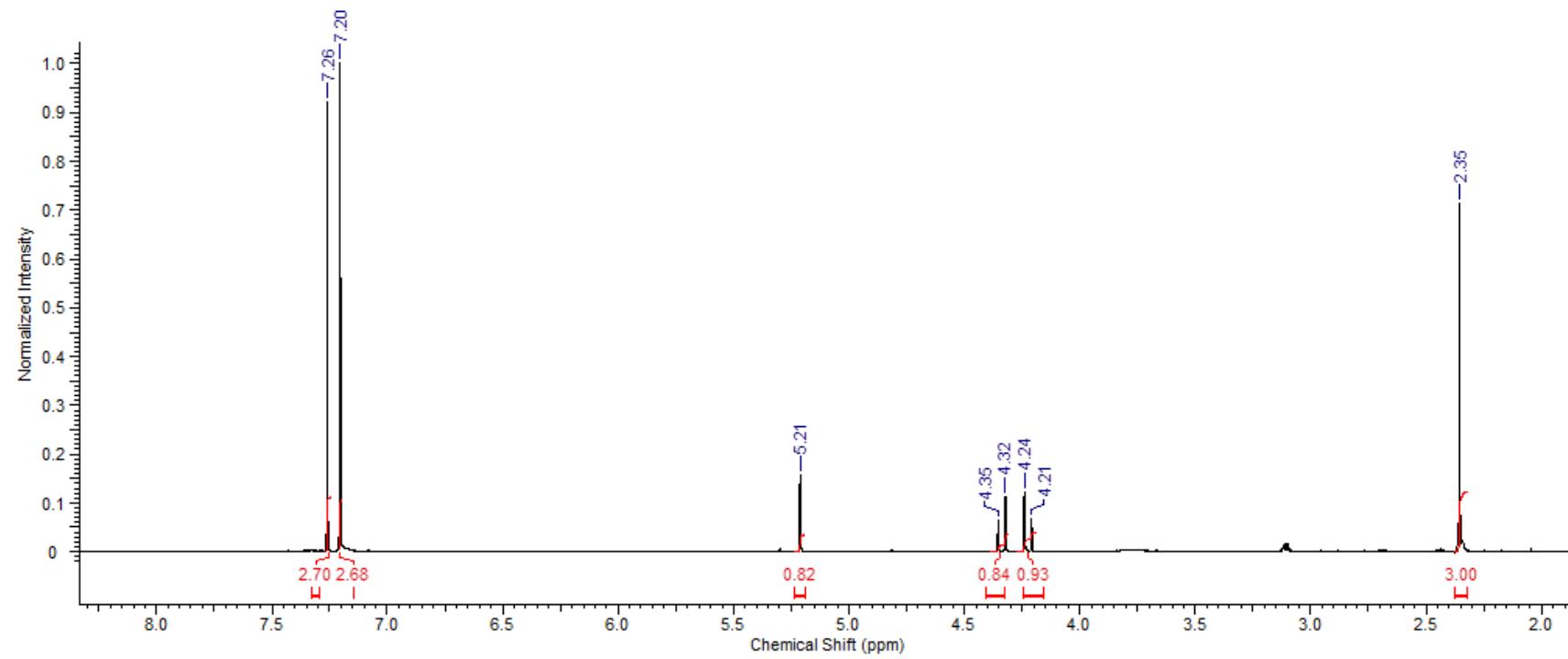
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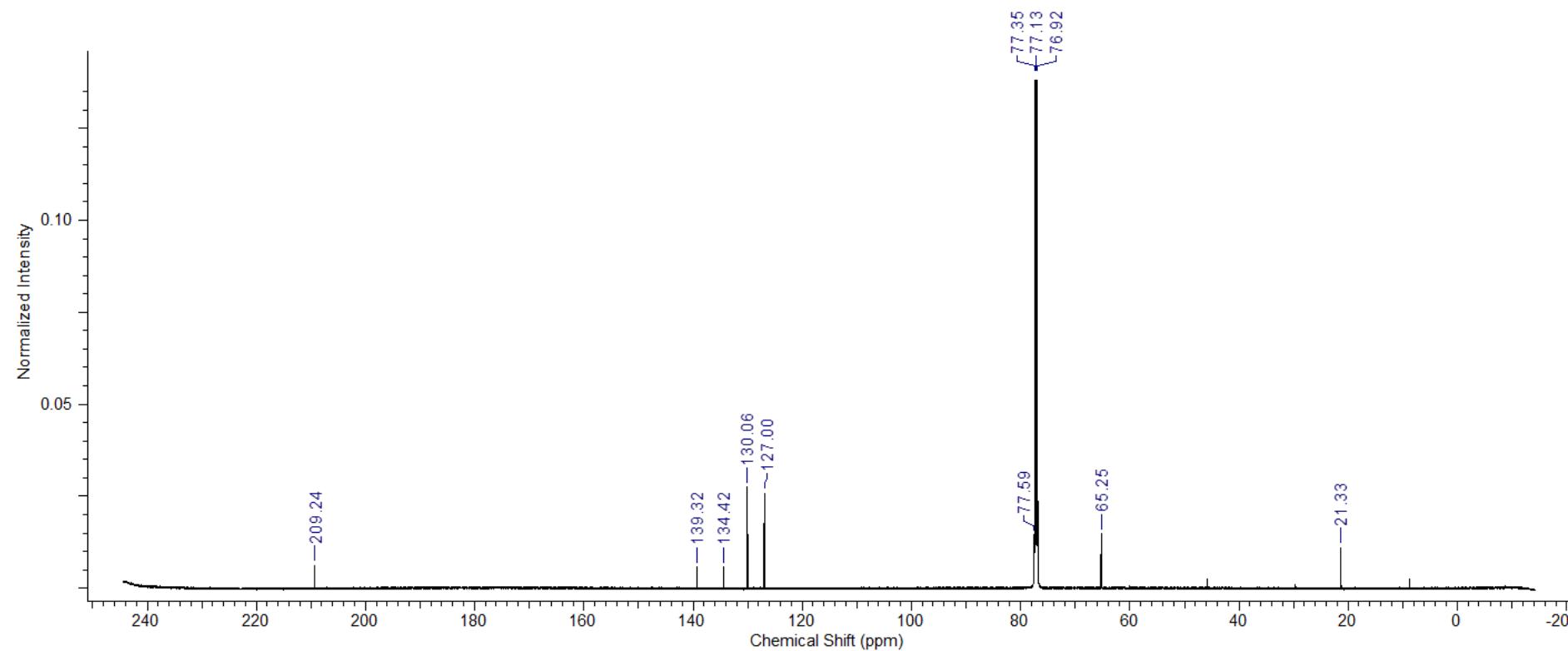
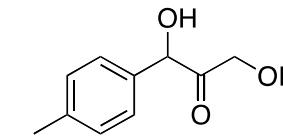
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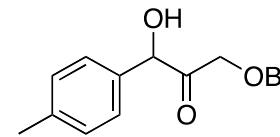
¹H NMR of 1,3-dihydroxy-1-(4-methylphenyl)-2-propanone (3d)



¹³C NMR of 1,3-dihydroxy-1-(4-methylphenyl)-2-propanone (3d)



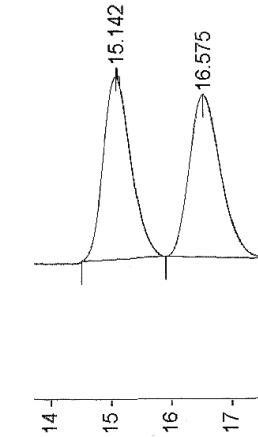
Chiral HPLC analysis of monobenzoylated 3d



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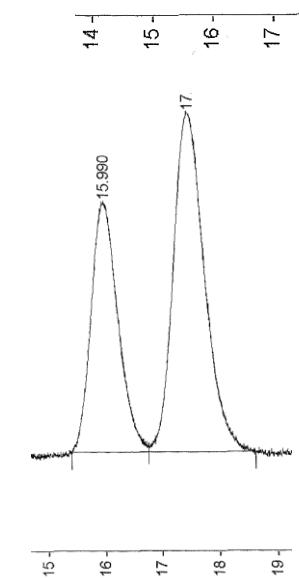
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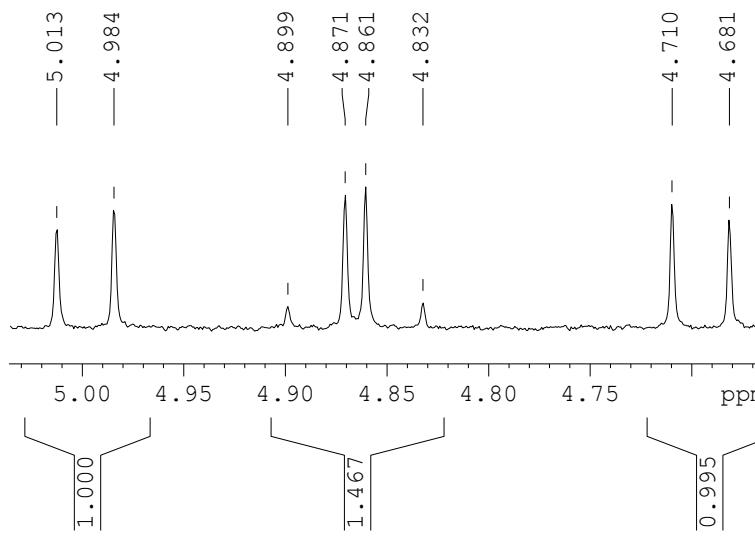
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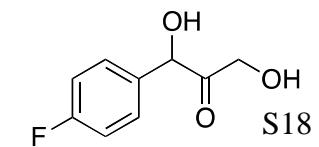
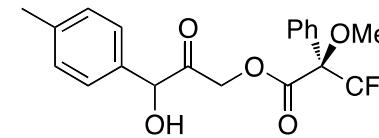
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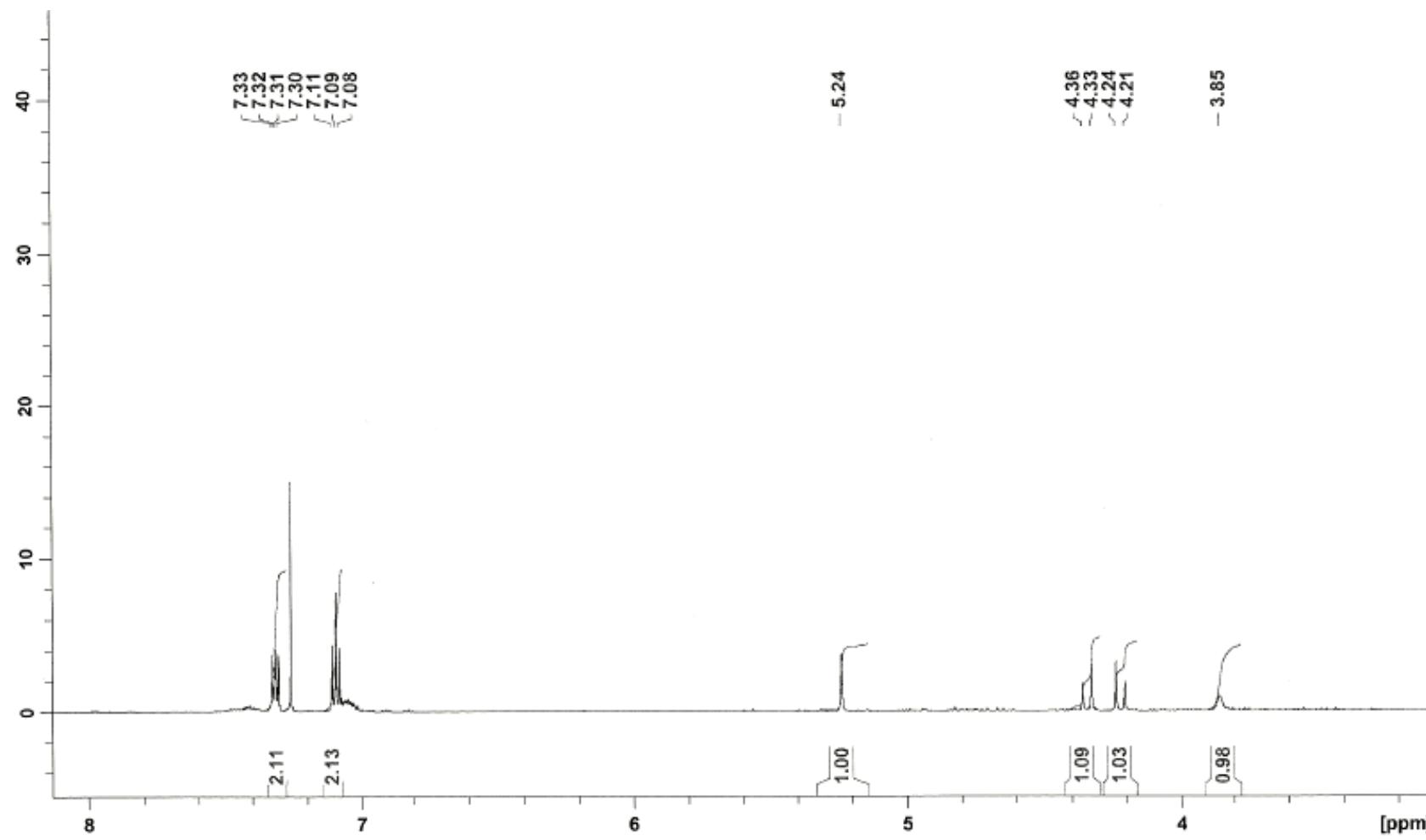


(3*R*)-major isomer

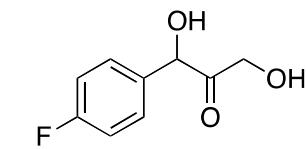
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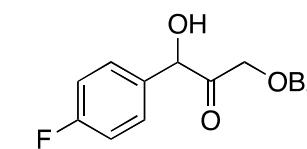
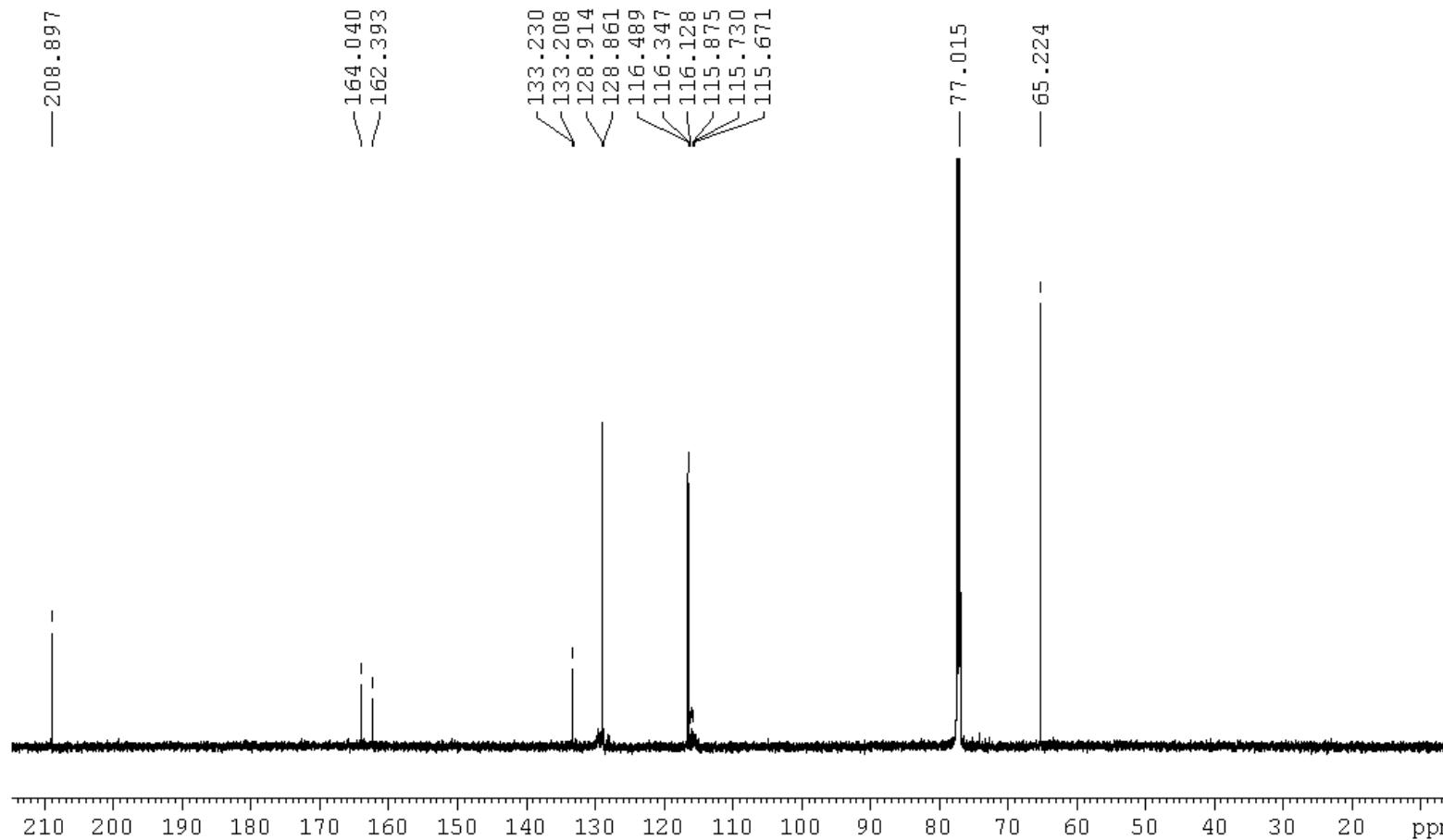


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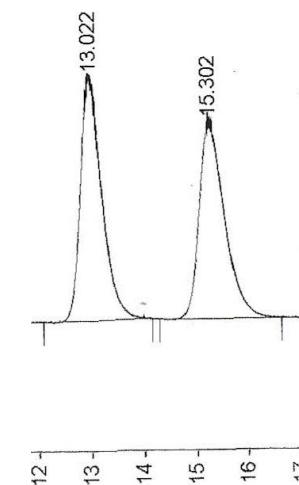




Chiral HPLC analysis of monobenzoylated 3e

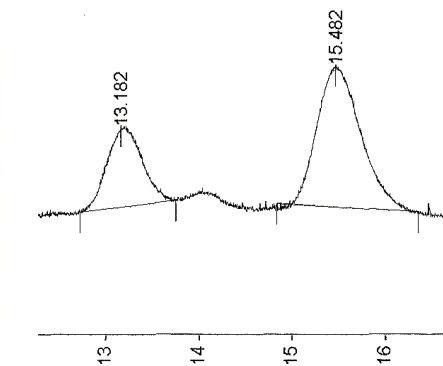
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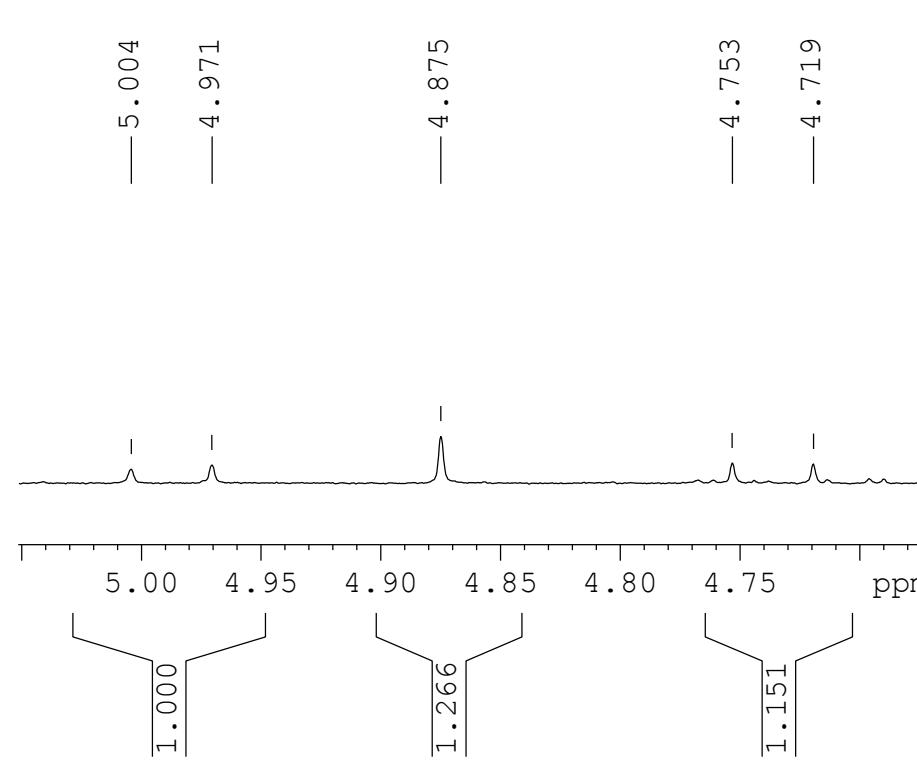
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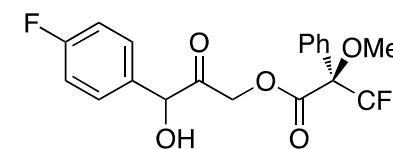


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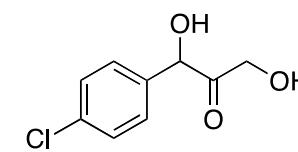
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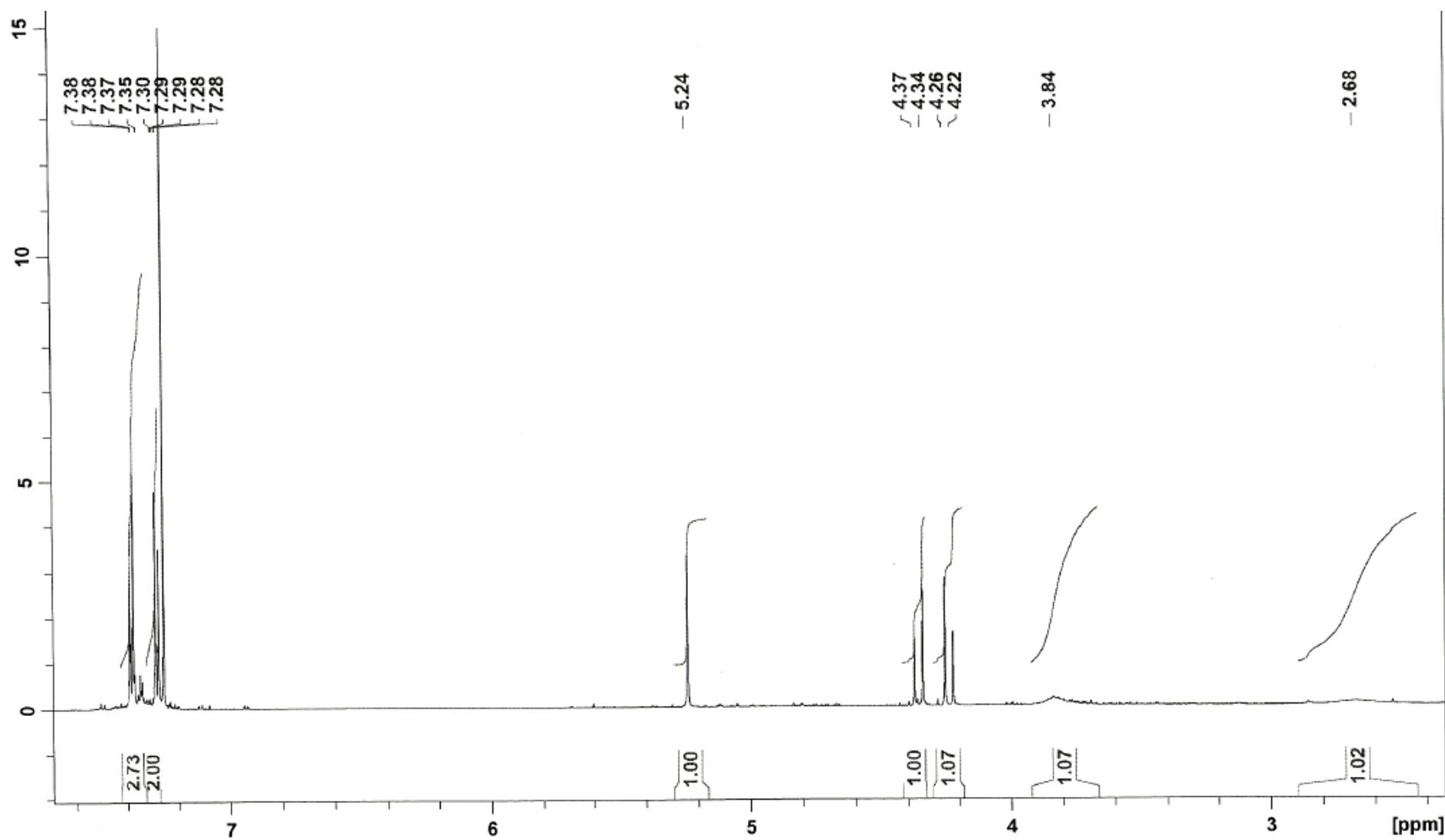


(3*R*)-major isomer

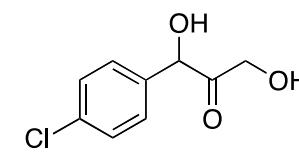


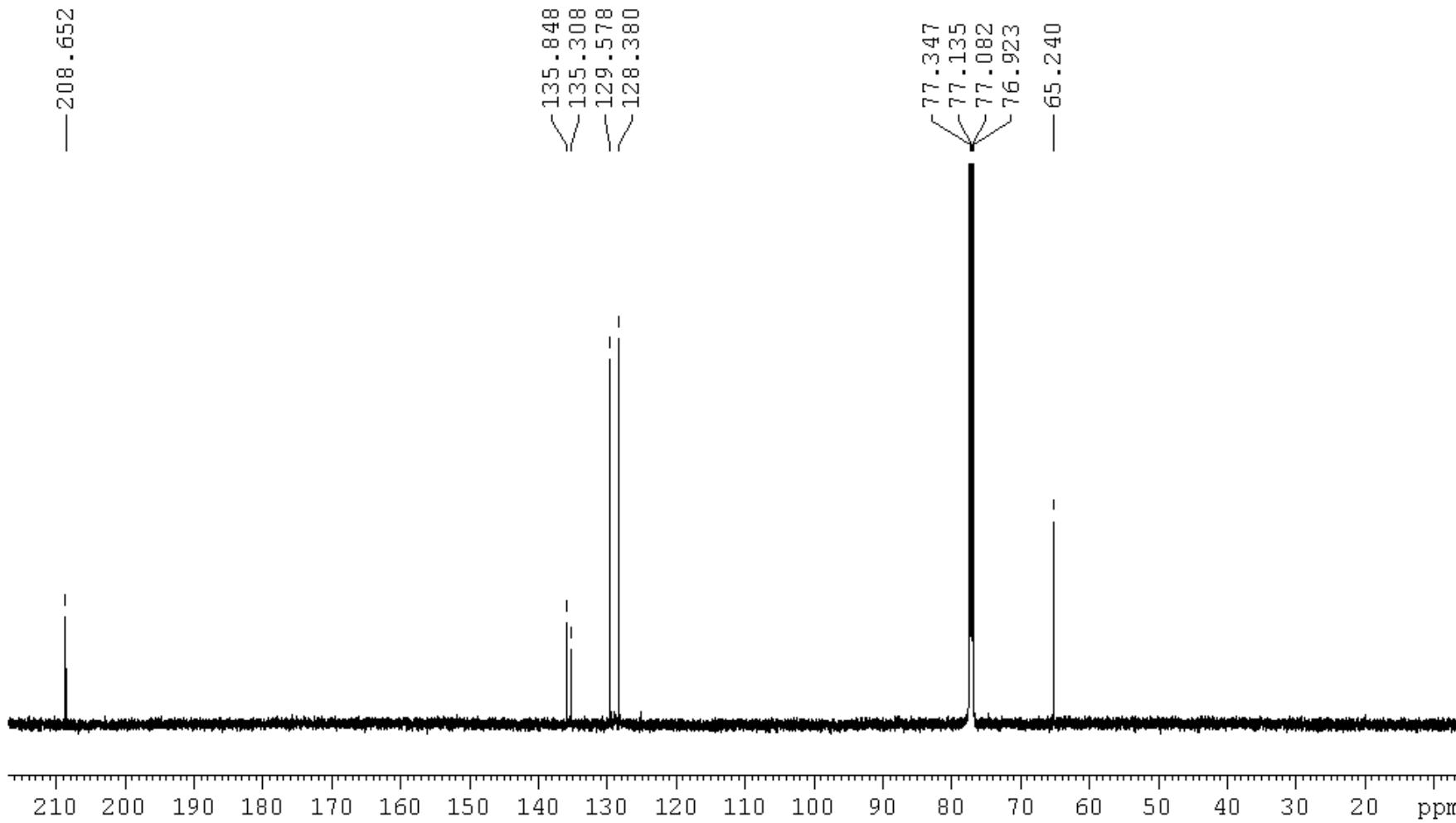
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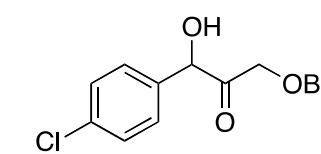


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Chiral HPLC analysis of monobenzoylated 3f



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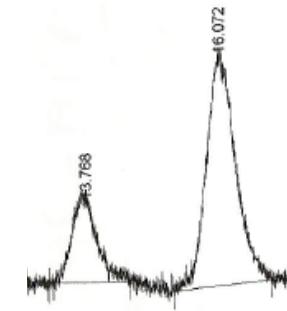
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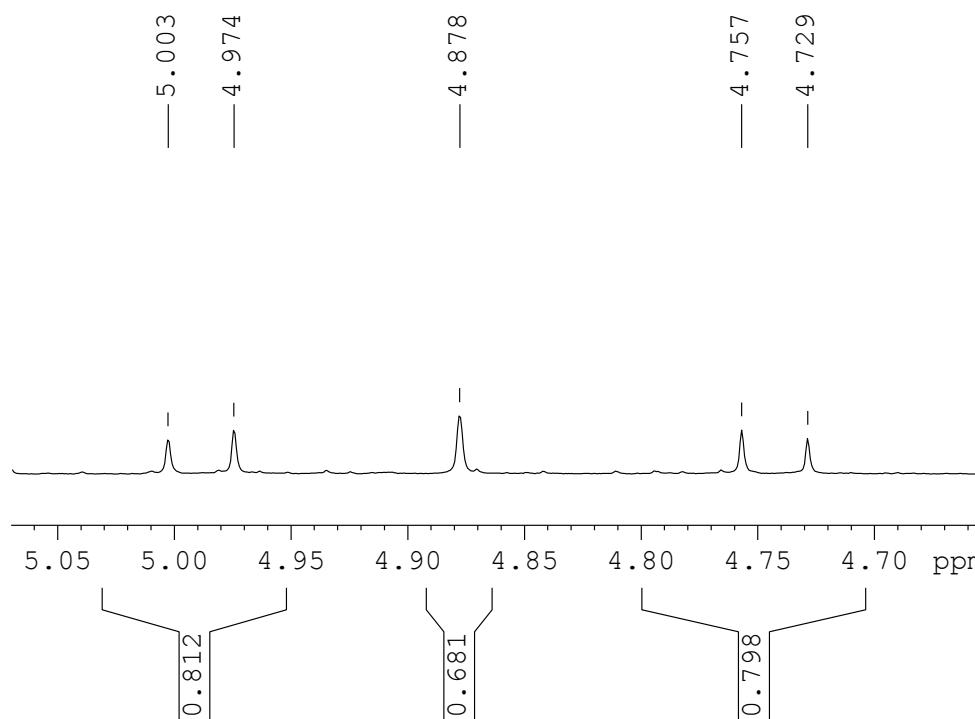
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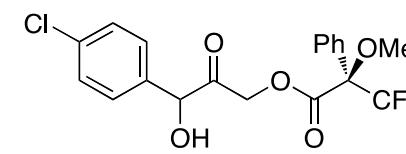
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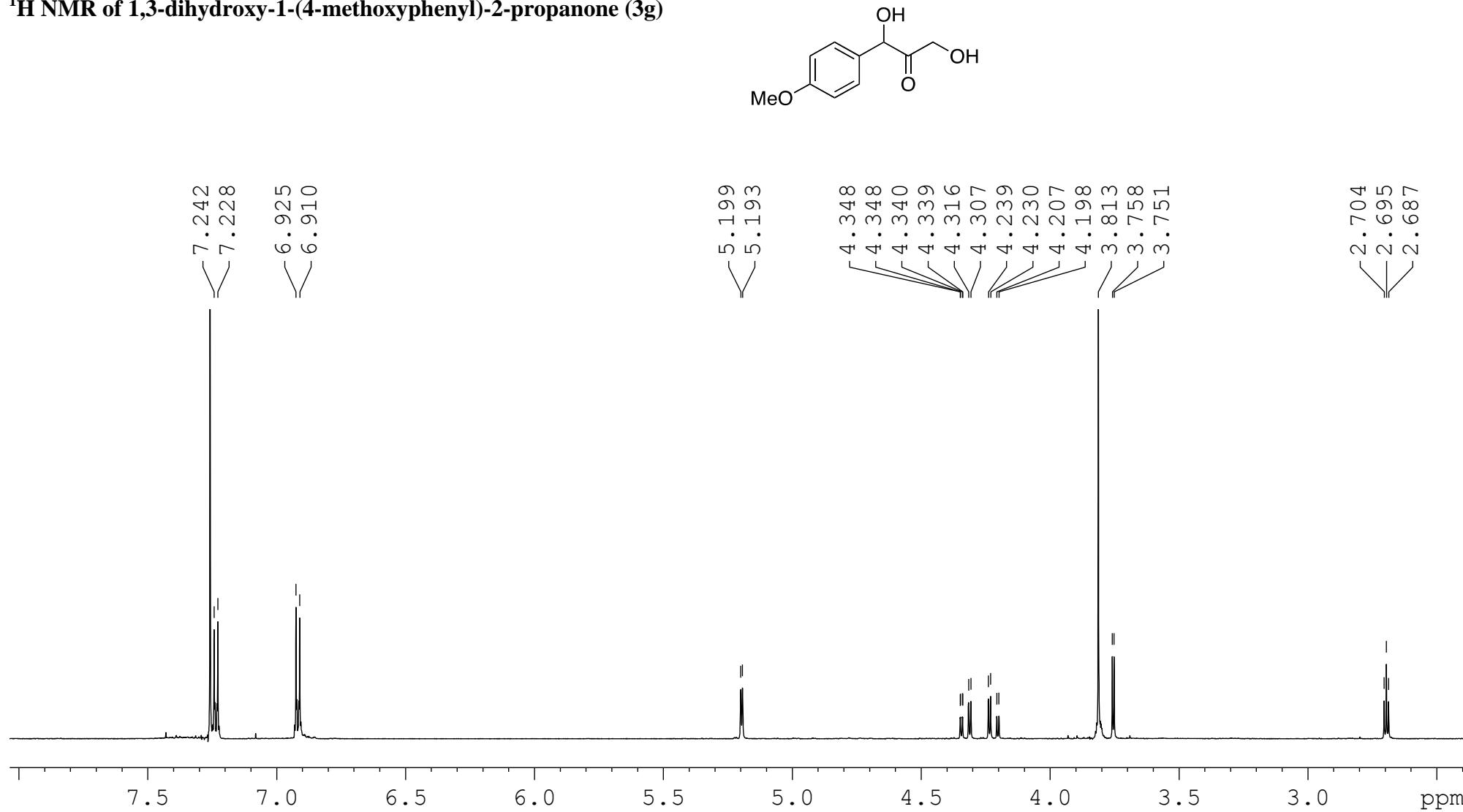
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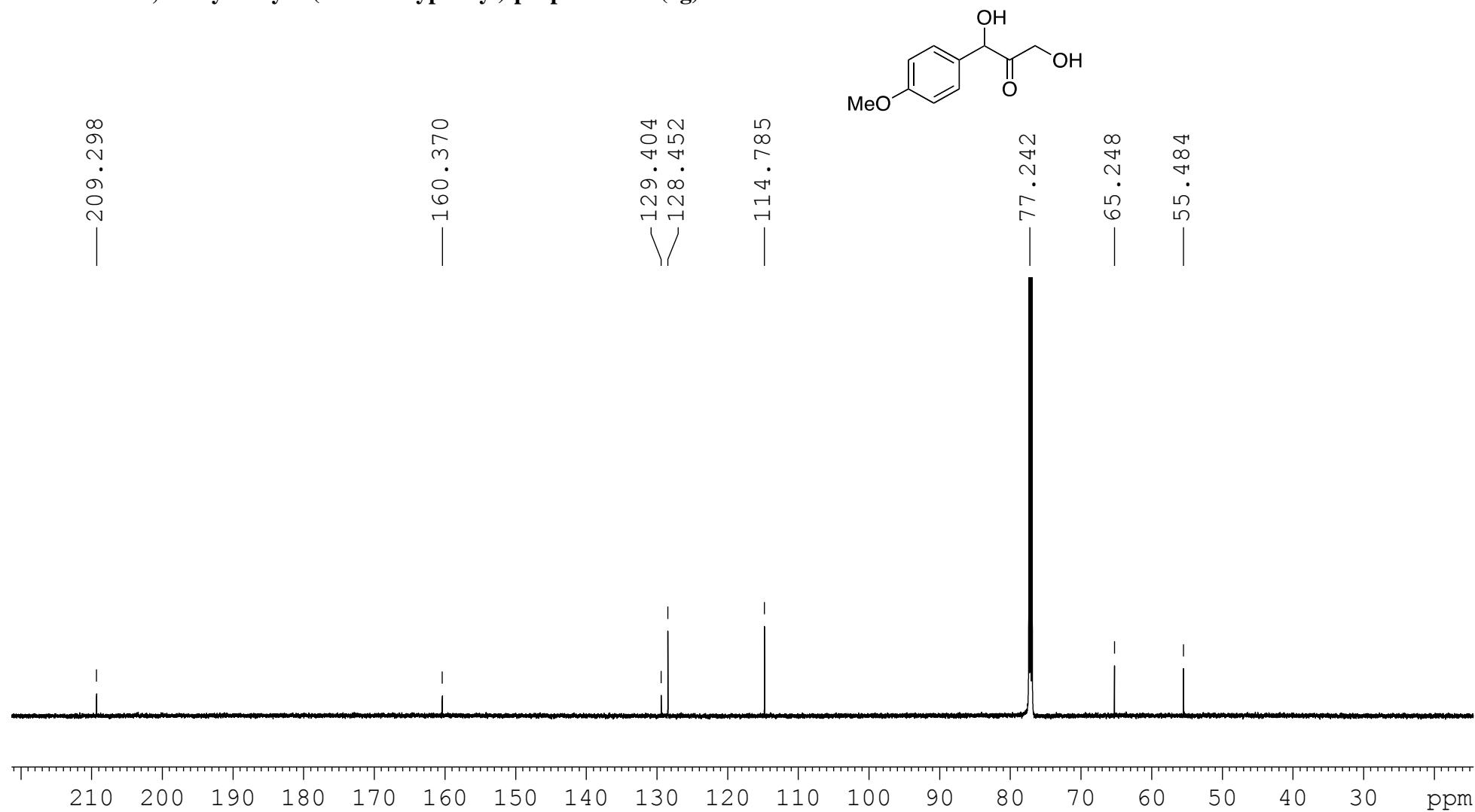
(3*R*)-major isomer



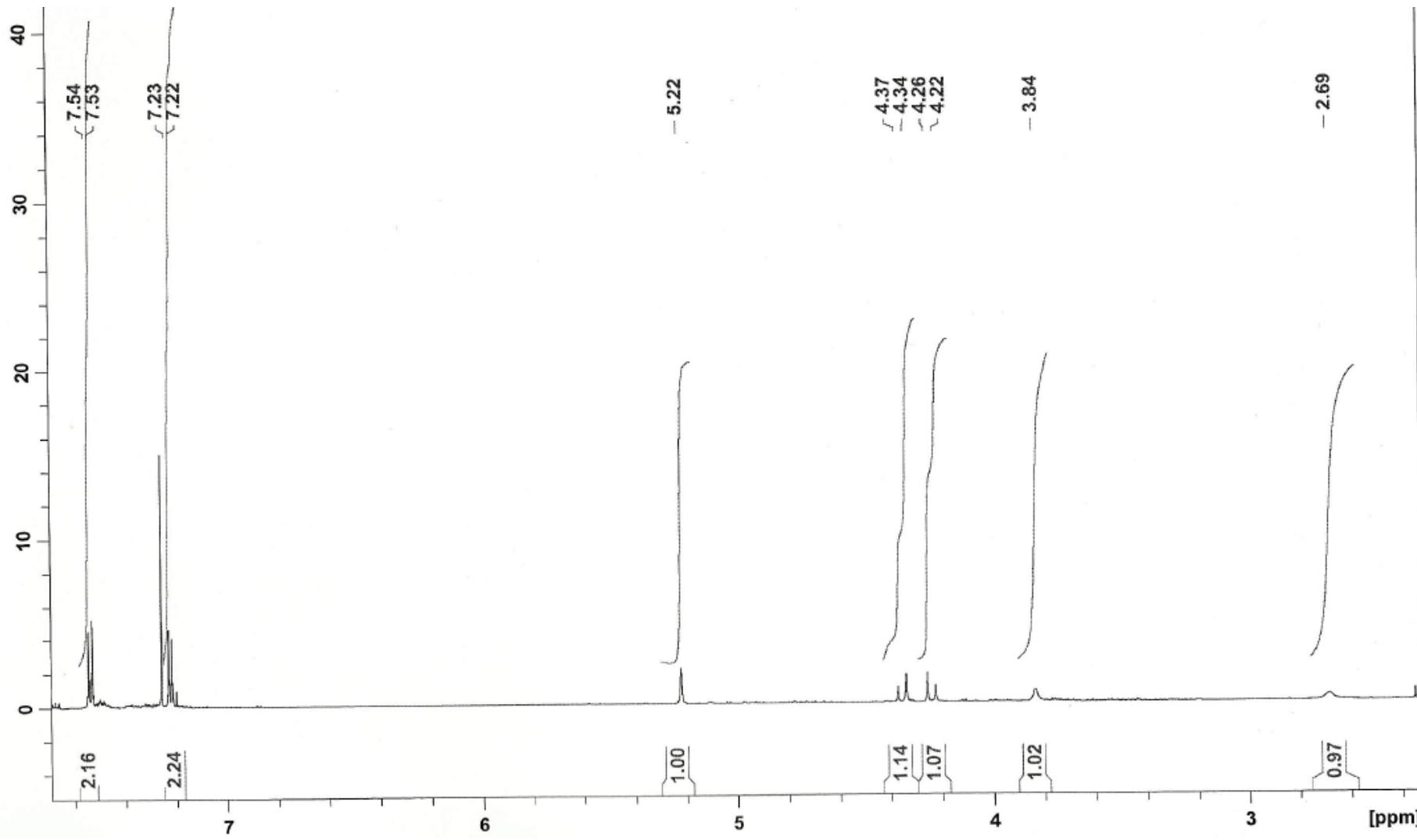
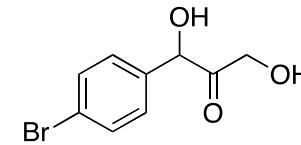
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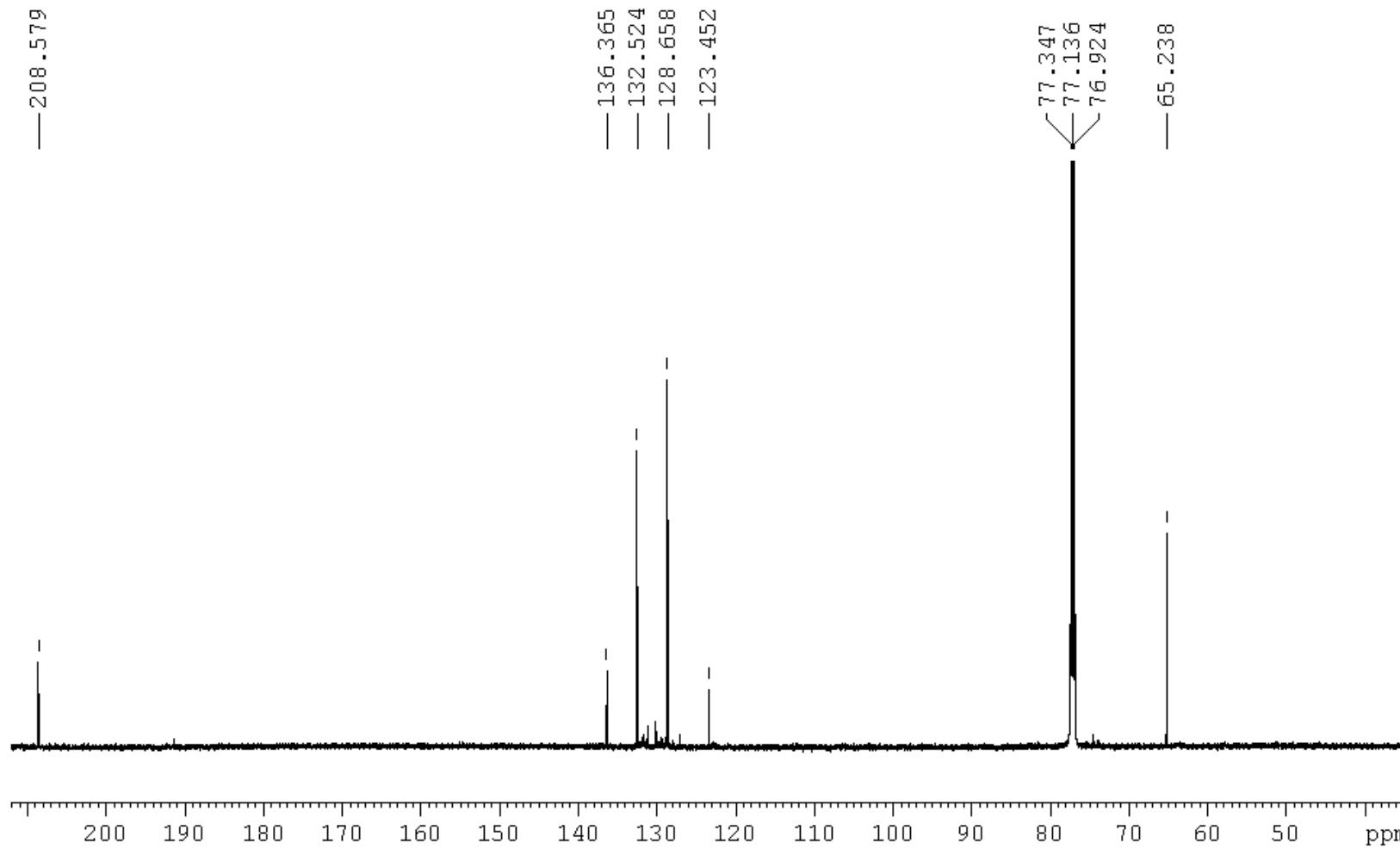
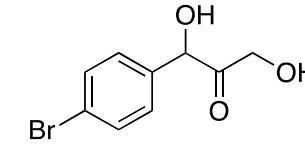
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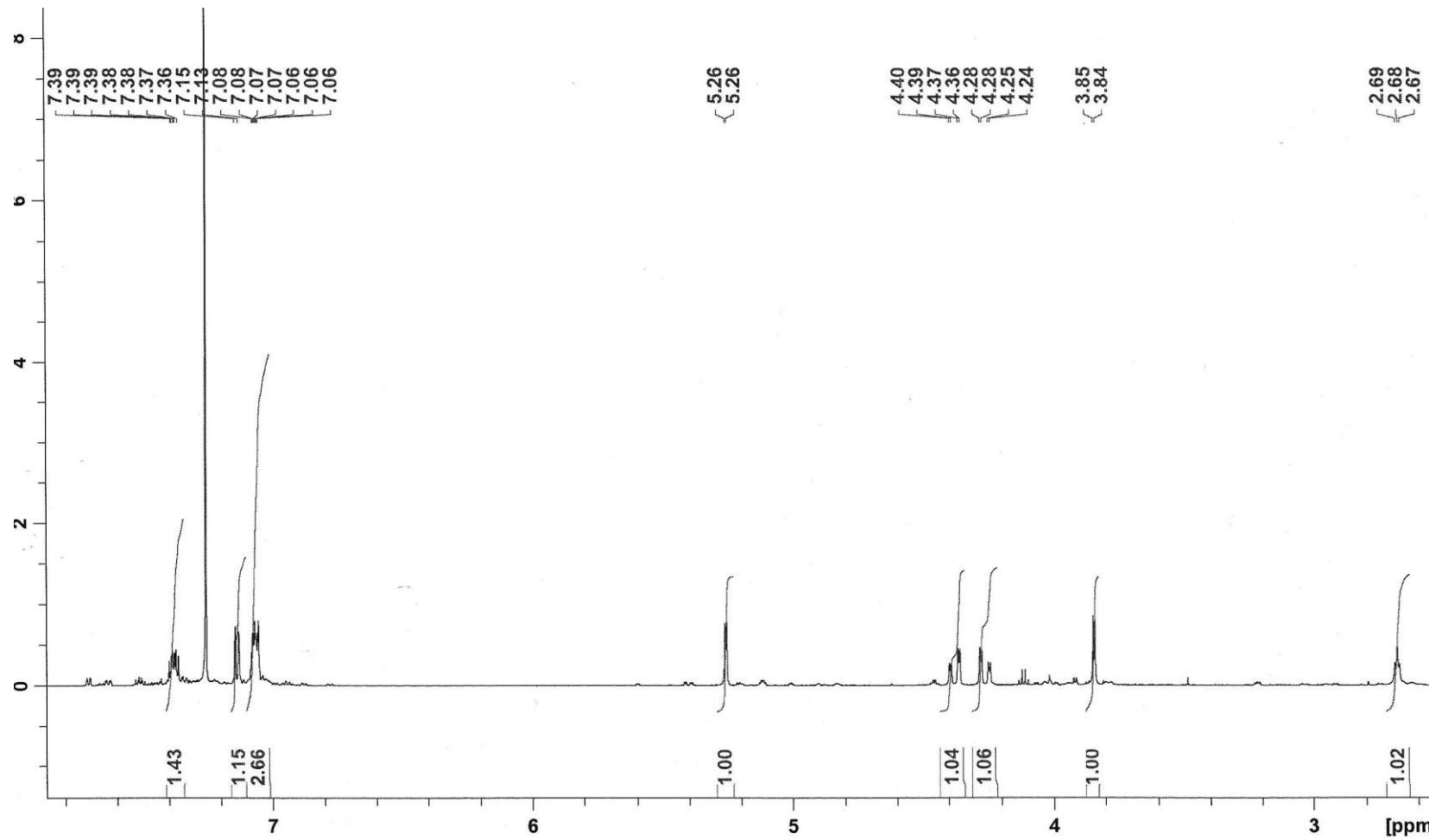
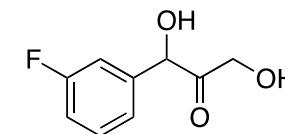
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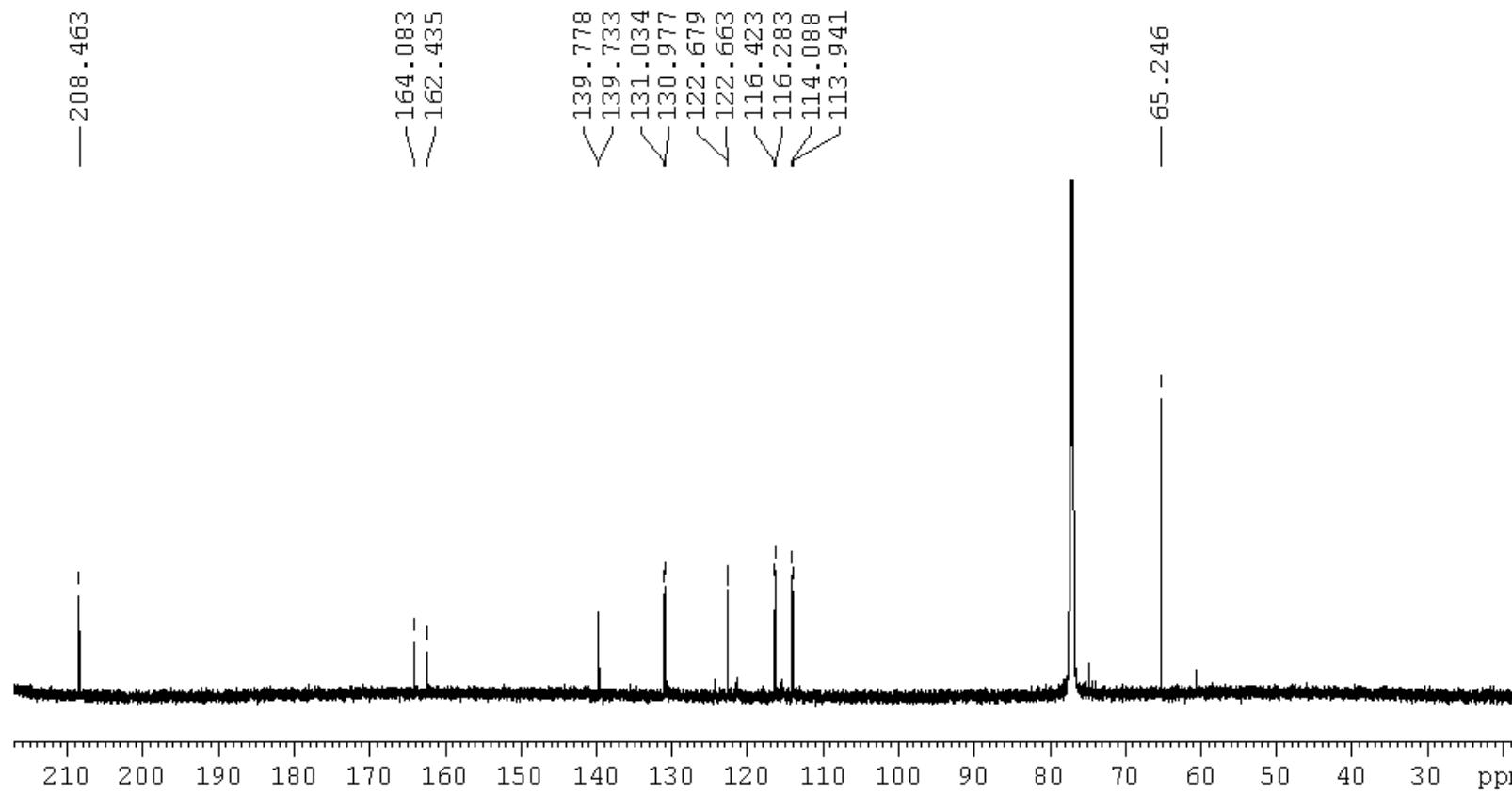
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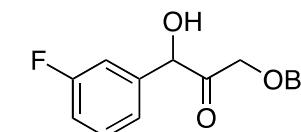
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¹³C NMR of 1-(3-fluorophenyl)-1,3-dihydroxy-2-propanone (**3i**)

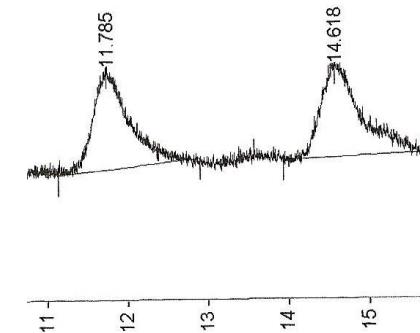


Chiral HPLC analysis of monobenzoylated 3i



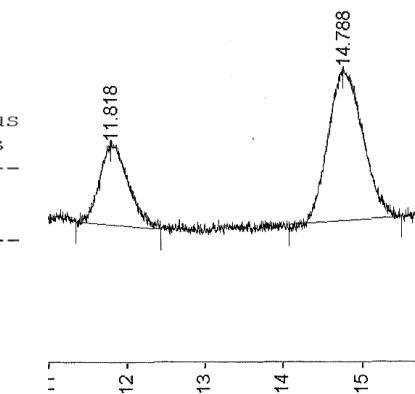
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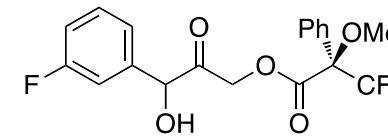
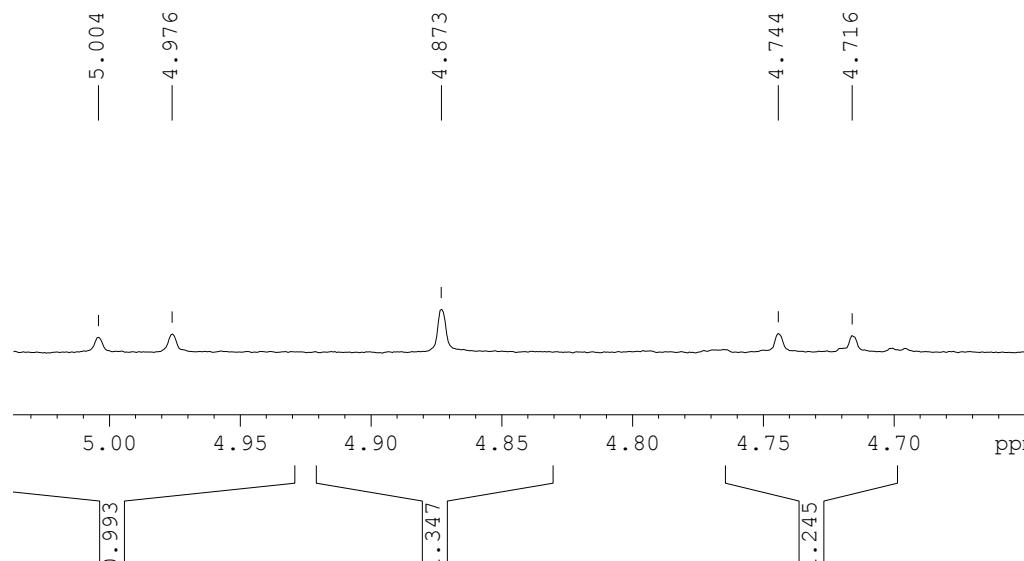
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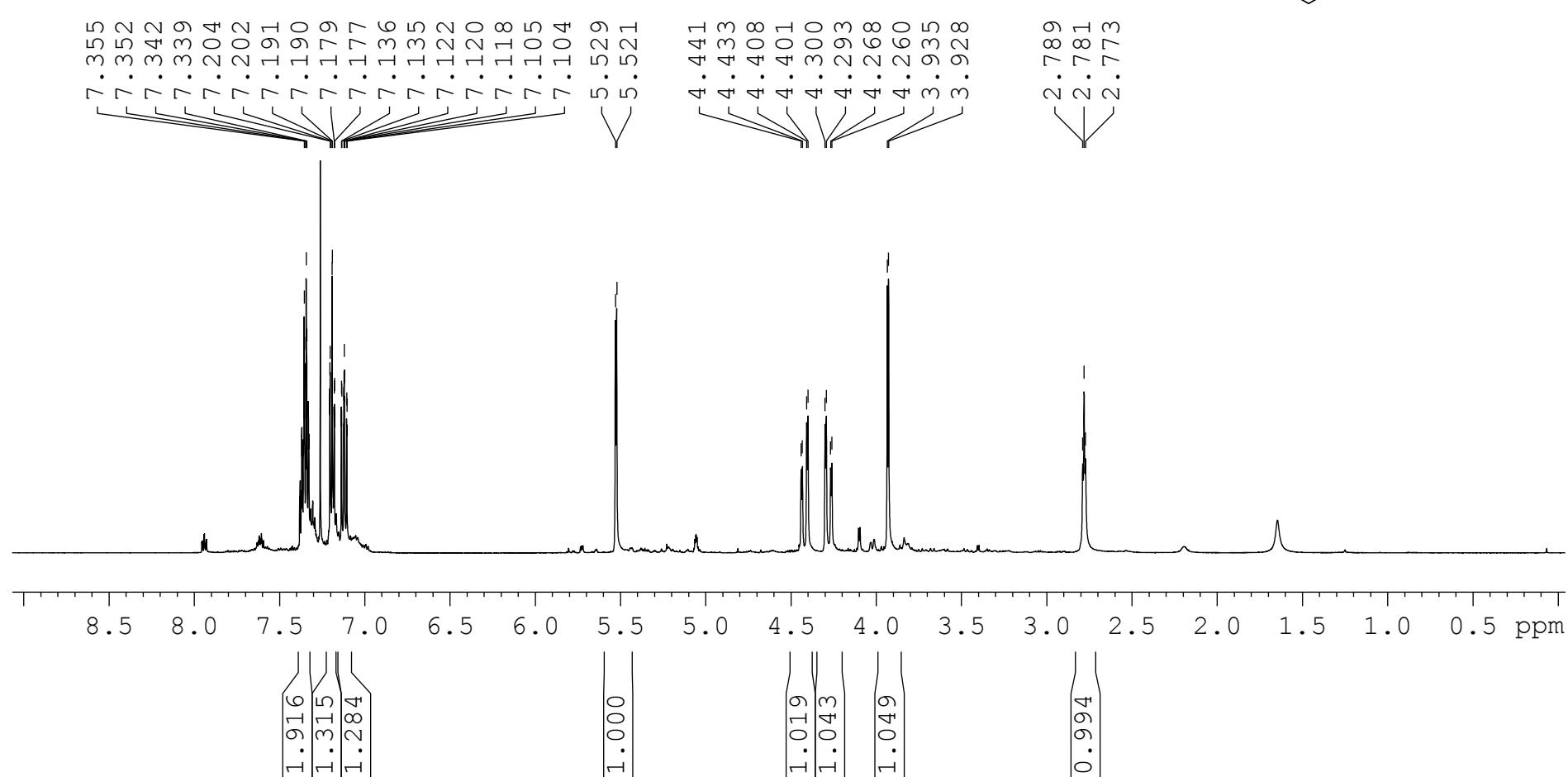
38% ee

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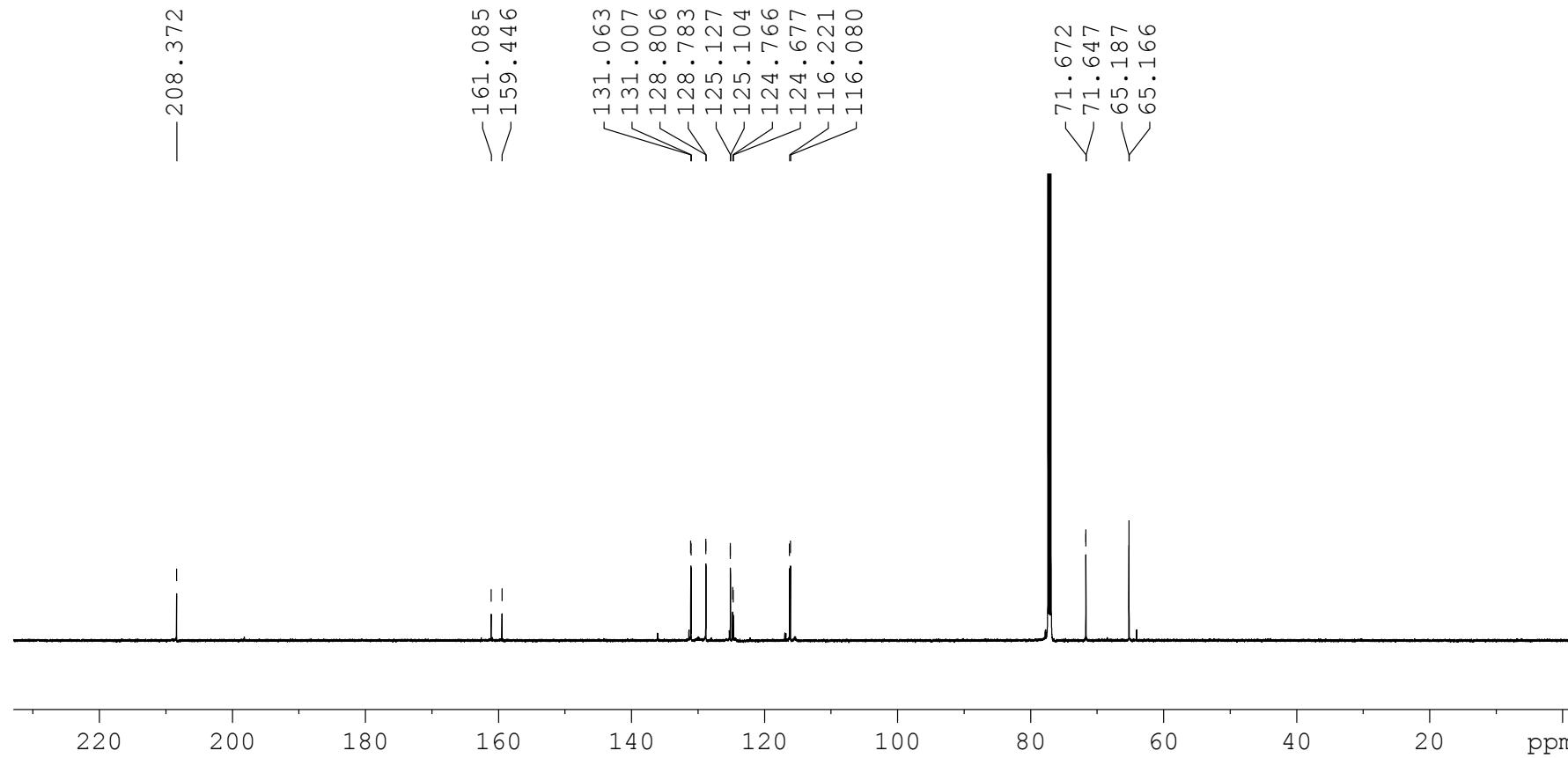


(3*R*)-major isomer

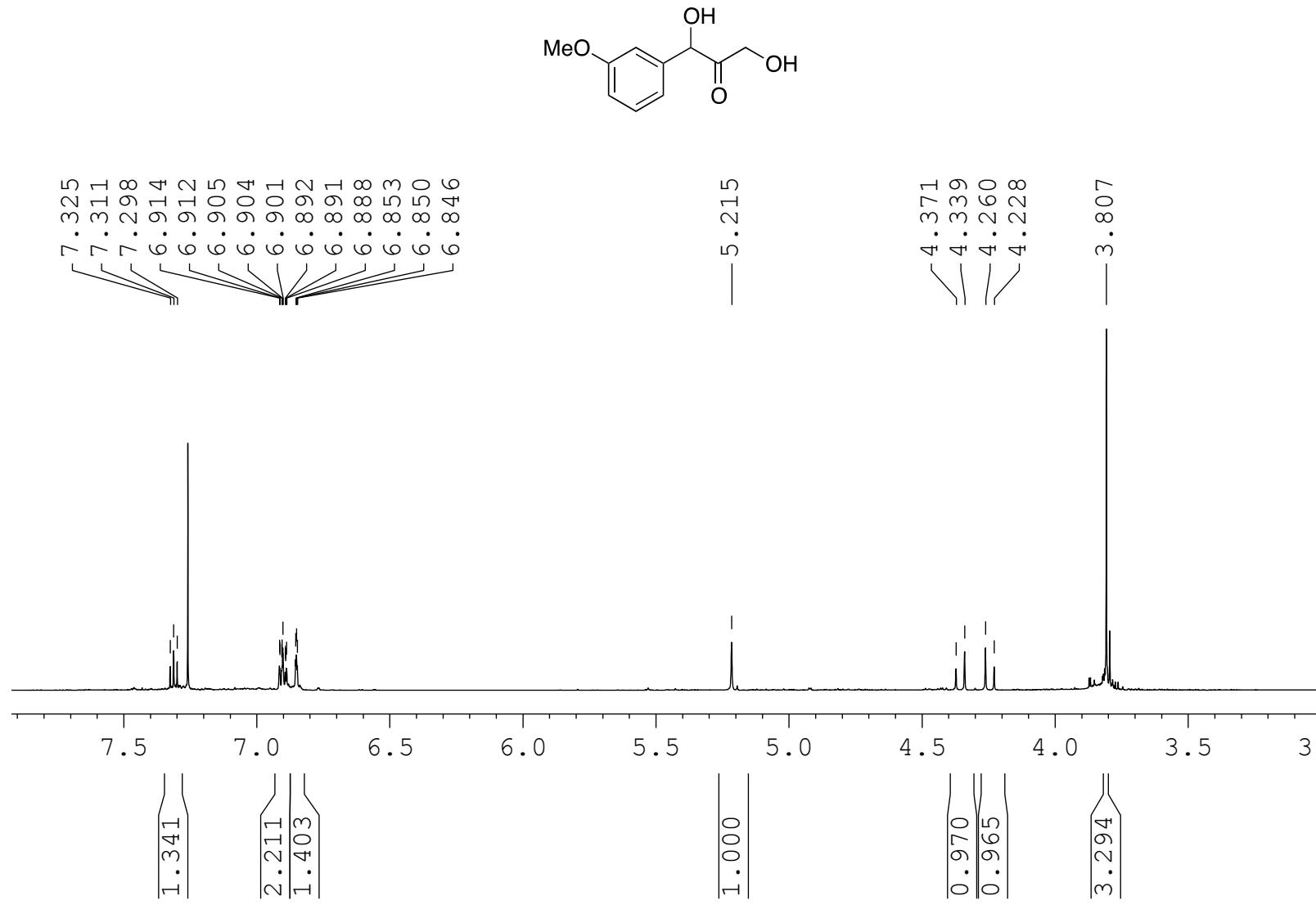
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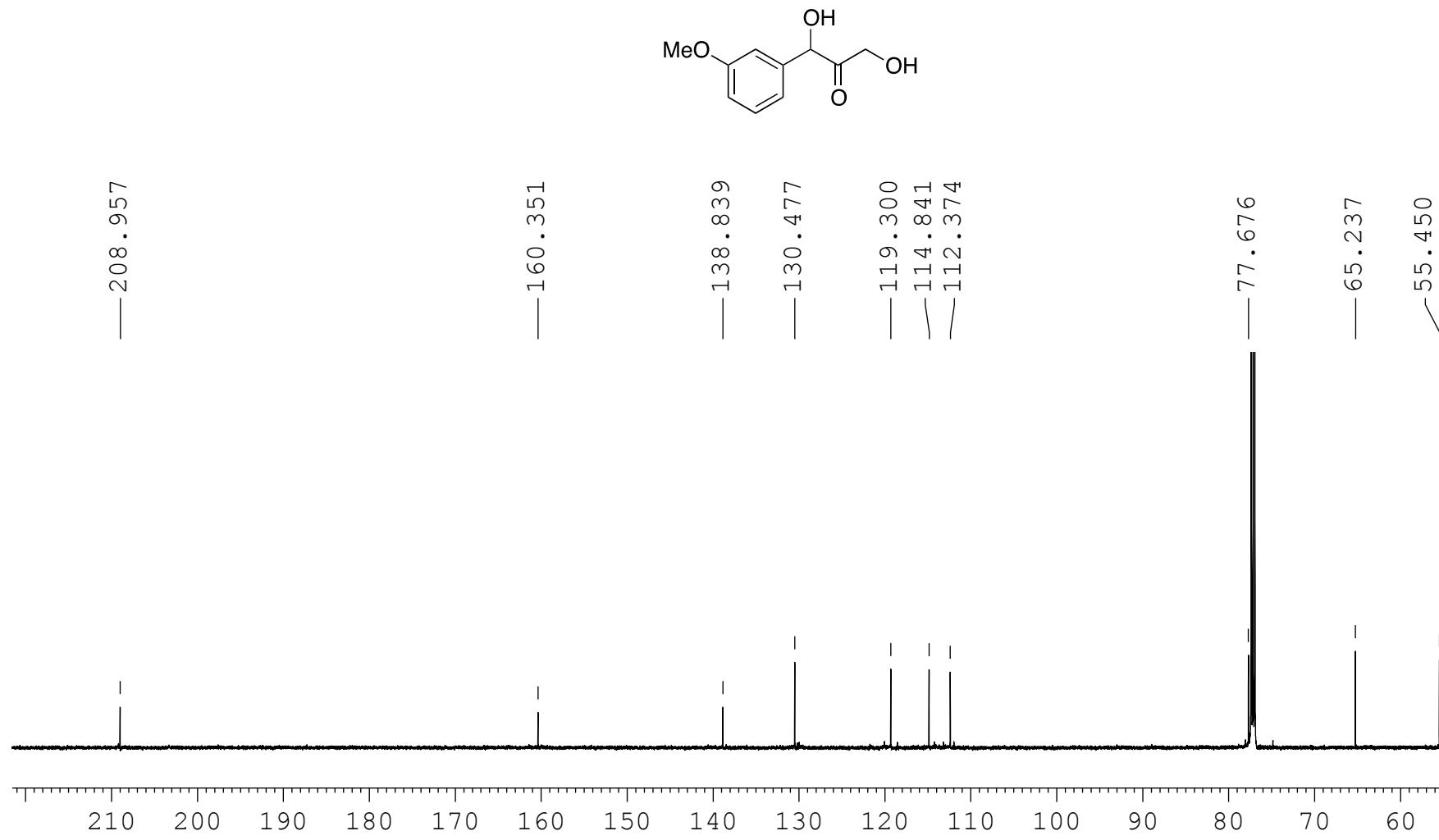
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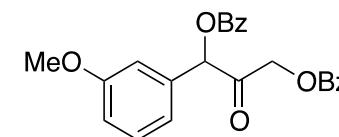
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¹³C NMR of 1,3-dihydroxy-1-(3-methoxyphenyl)-2-propanone (3k)



Chiral HPLC analysis of dibenzoylated 3k



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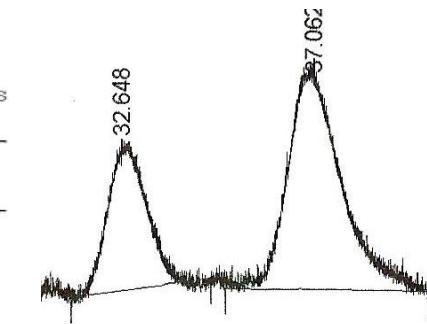
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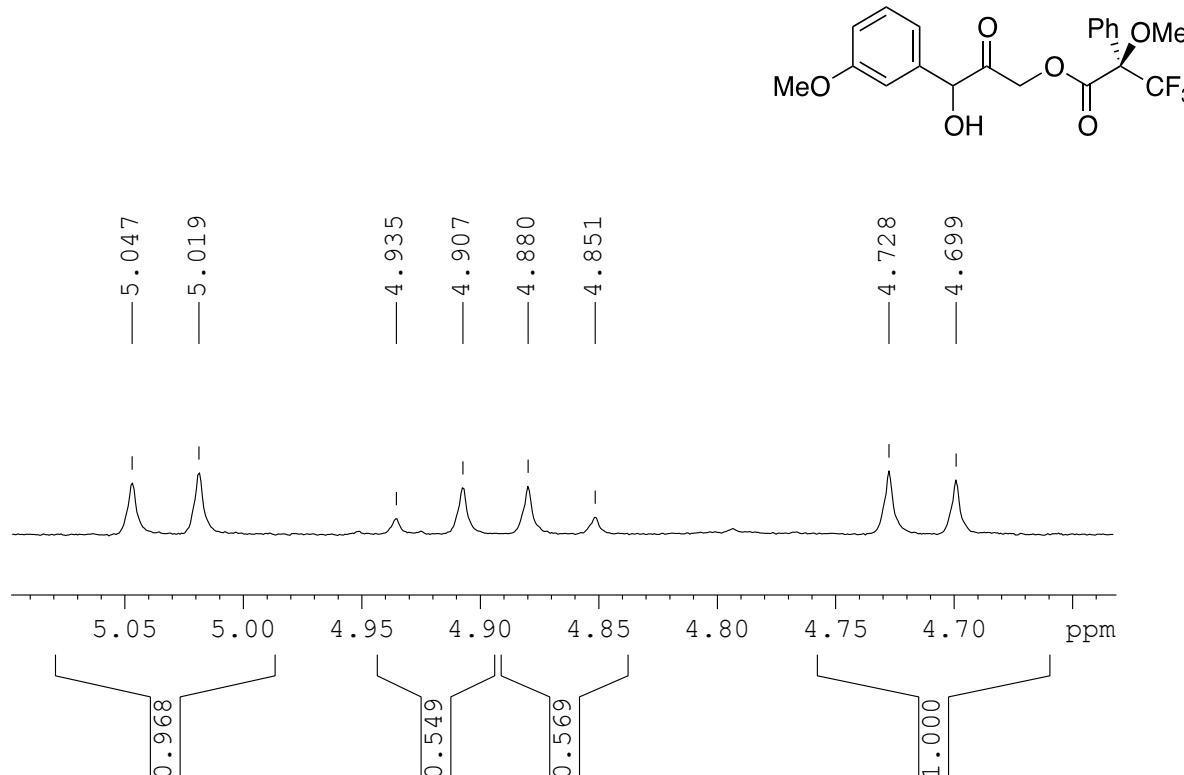
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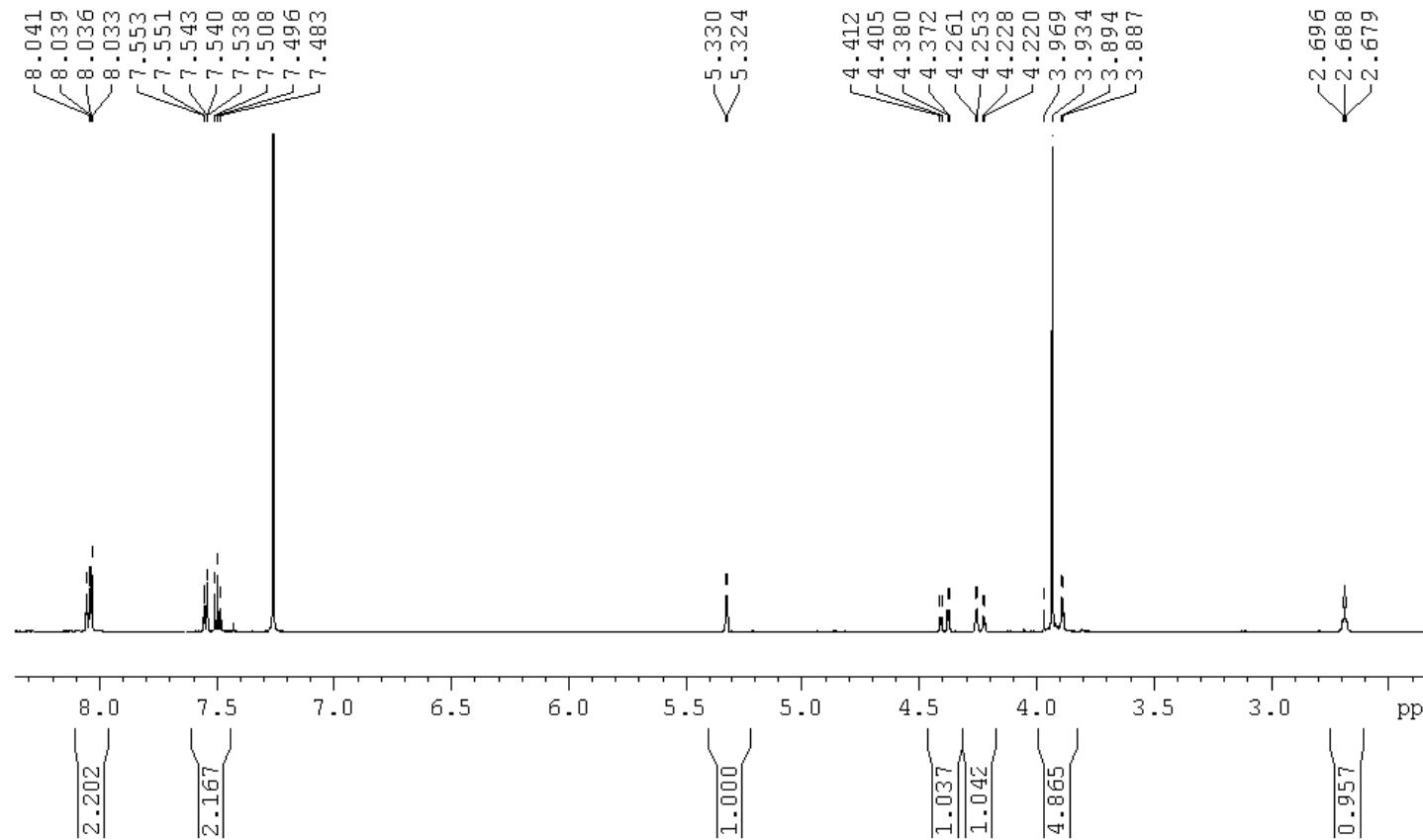
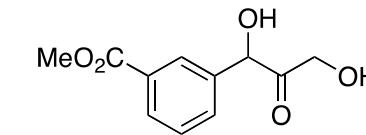
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¹H NMR of key region of 3,3,3-trifluoro-2-methoxy-2-phenyl-propionic acid 3-hydroxy-3-(3-methoxyphenyl)-2-oxo-propyl ester (Mosher's ester of 3k)

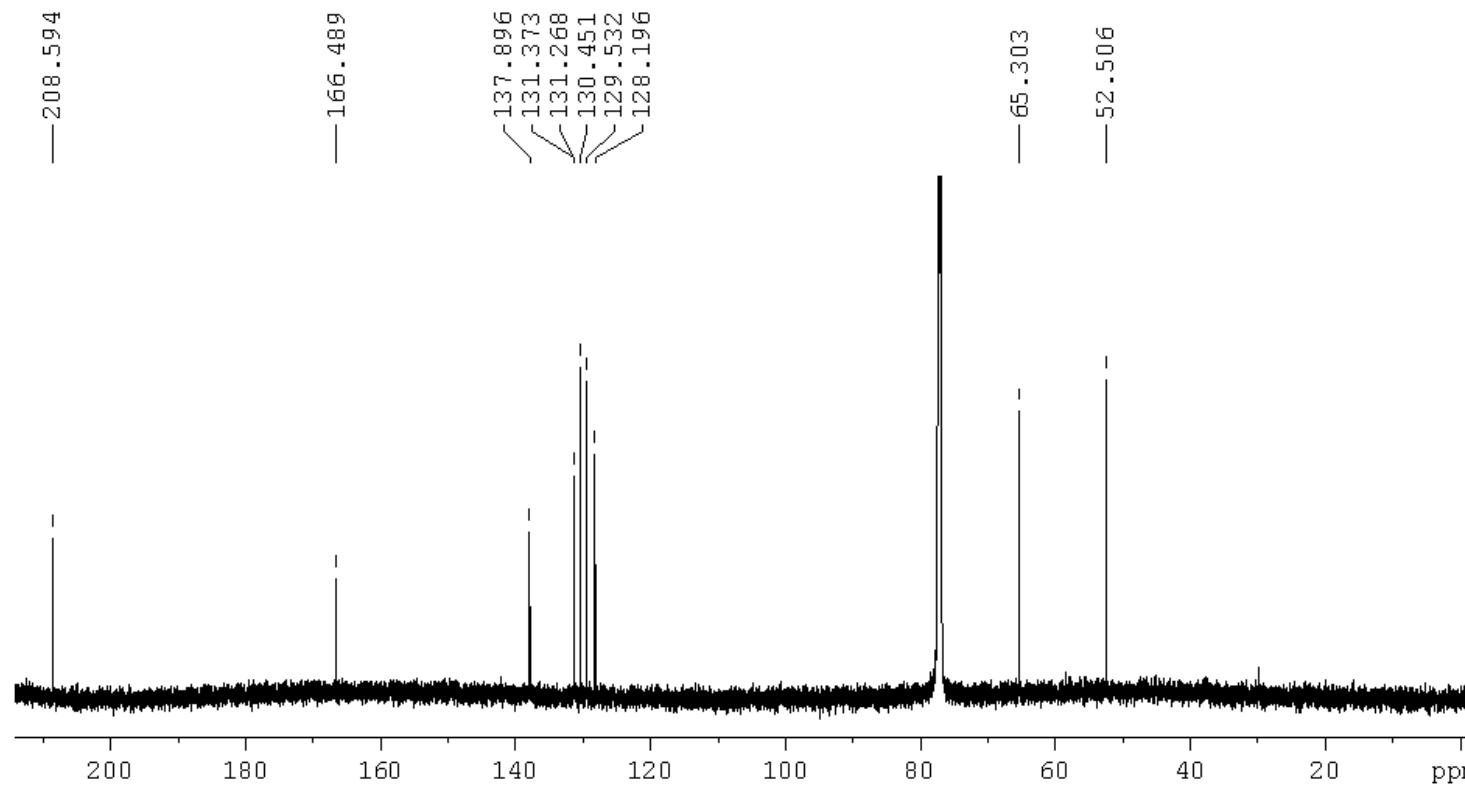
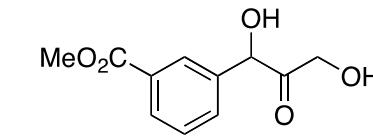


(3*R*)-major isomer

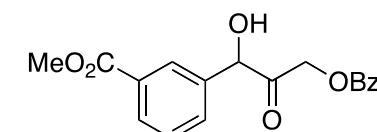
¹H NMR of 3-(1,3-dihydroxy-2-oxo-propyl)-benzoic acid methyl ester (3l)



¹³C NMR of 3-(1,3-dihydroxy-2-oxo-propyl)-benzoic acid methyl ester (3l)



Chiral HPLC analysis of monobenzoylated 3l

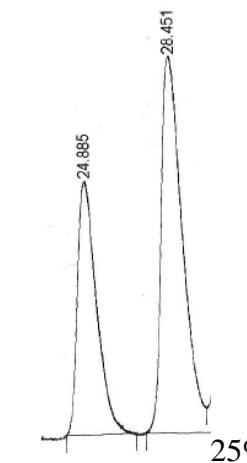


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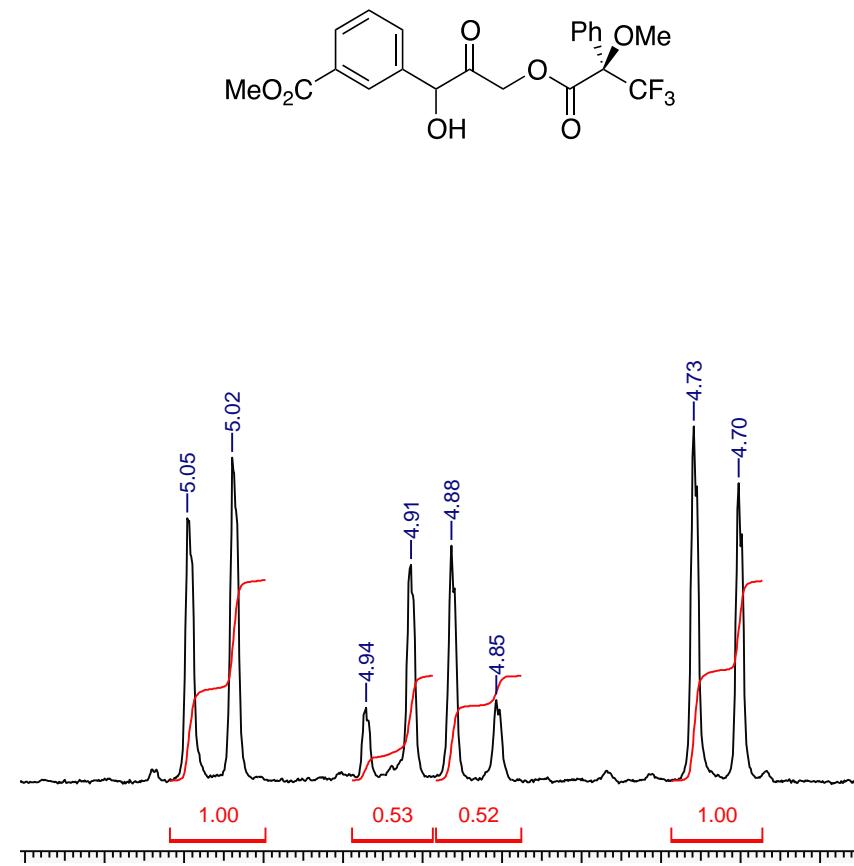


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¹H NMR of key region of 3-[1-hydroxy-2-oxo-3-(3,3,3-trifluoro-2-methoxy-2-phenyl-propionyloxy)-propyl]-benzoic acid methyl ester (Mosher's ester of 3l)



(3*R*)-major isomer

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1. a) J. L. Galman and H. C. Hailes, *Tetrahedron: Asymmetry*, 2009, **20**, 1828–1831; b) A. Cázares, J. L. Galman, L. G. Crago, M. E. B. Smith, J. Strafford, L. Ríos-Solís, G. J. Lye, P. A. Dalby and H. C. Hailes, *Org. Biomol. Chem.*, 2010, **6**, 1301–1309.