

# Migration of methylethyynyl group in a long-lived carbocation

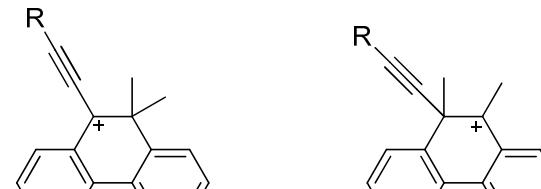
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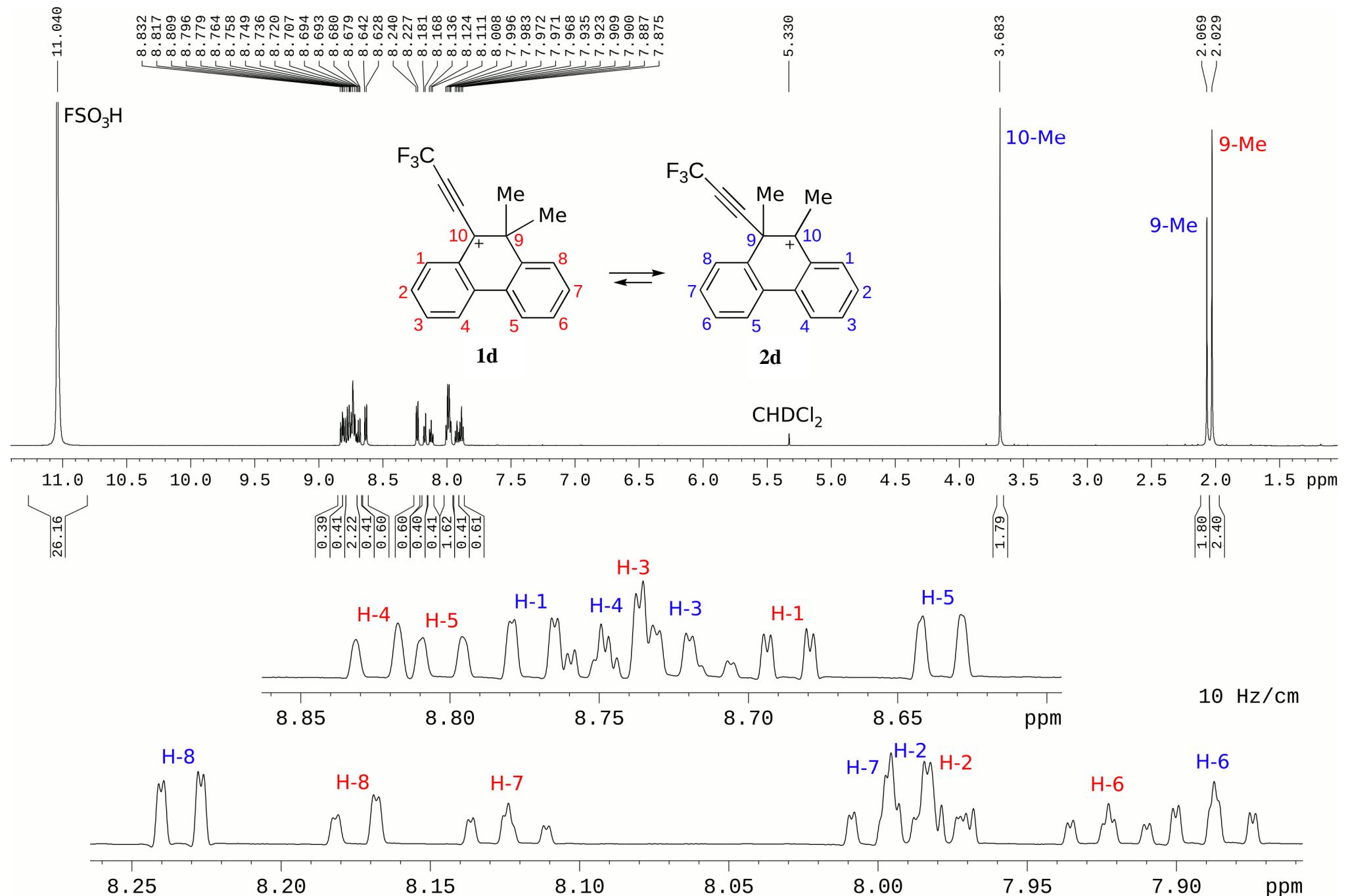


**1a-d**                    **2a-d**  
R = H (**a**), Me (**b**), Ph (**c**), CF<sub>3</sub> (**d**)

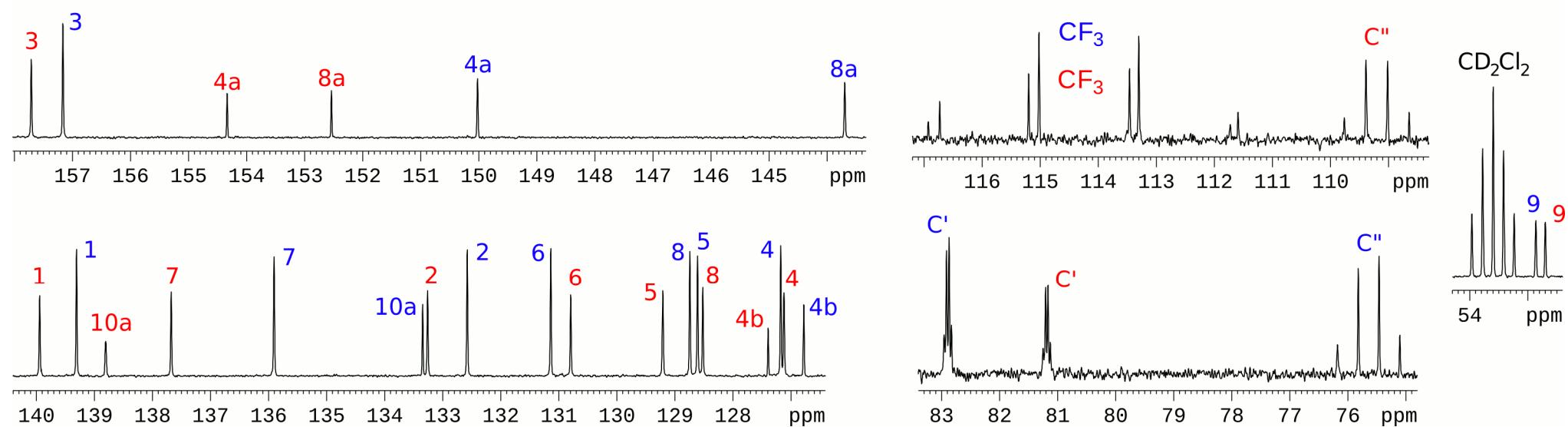
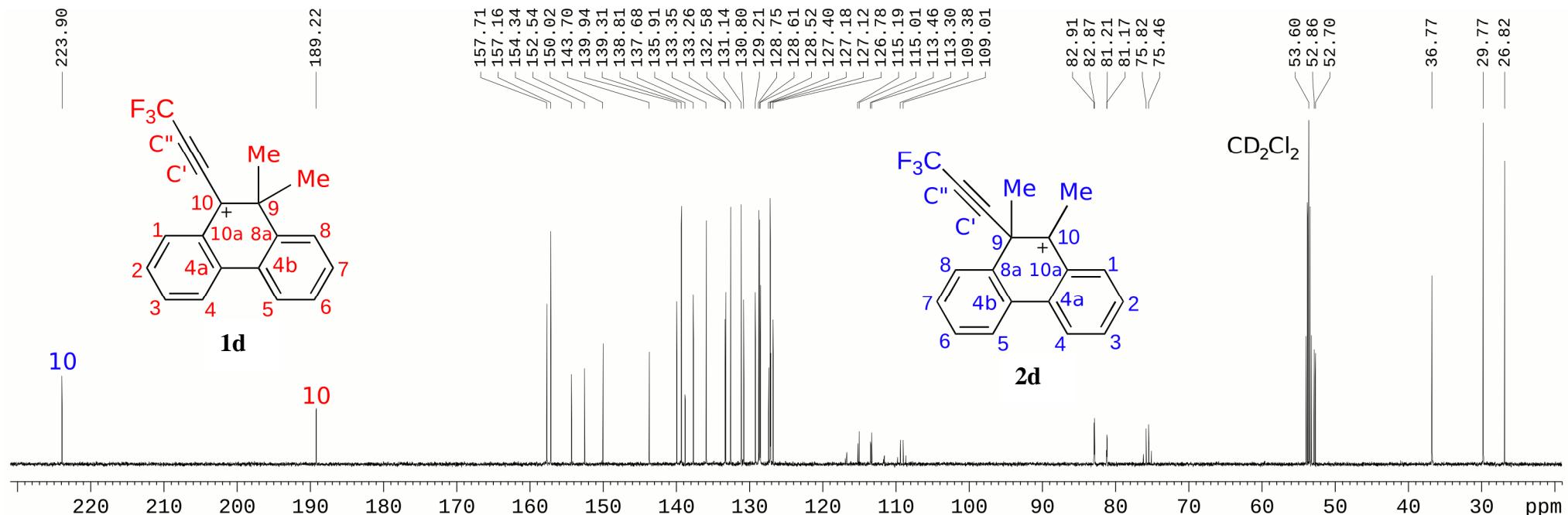
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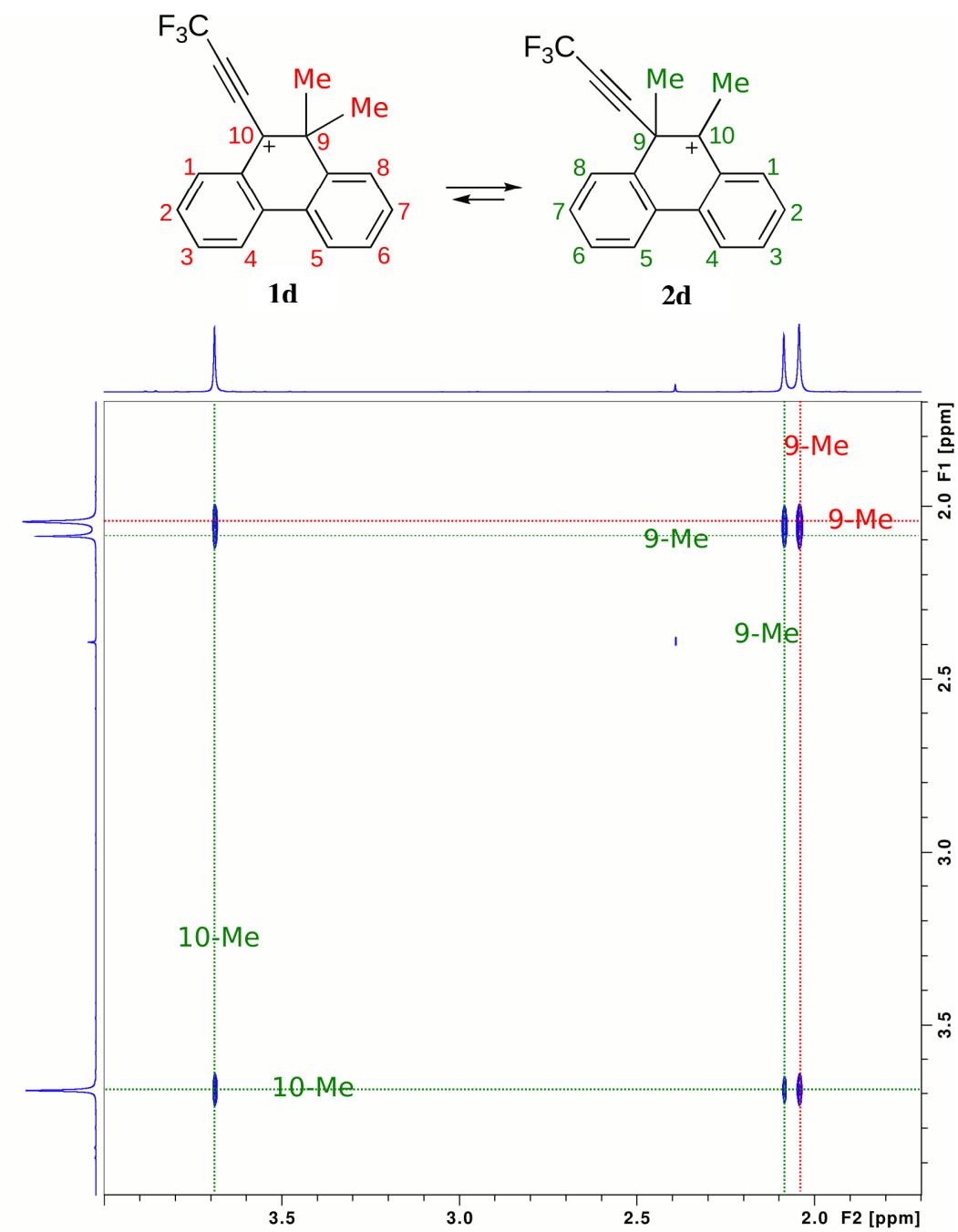
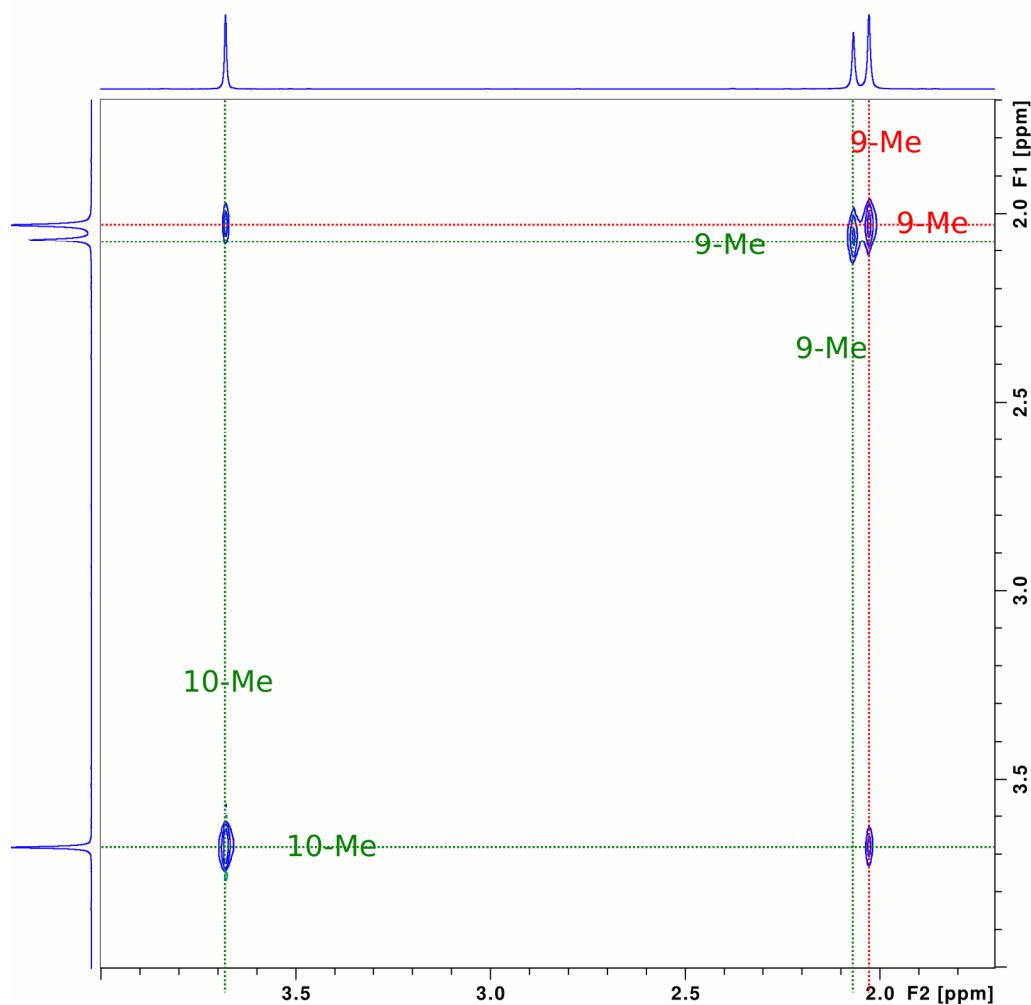


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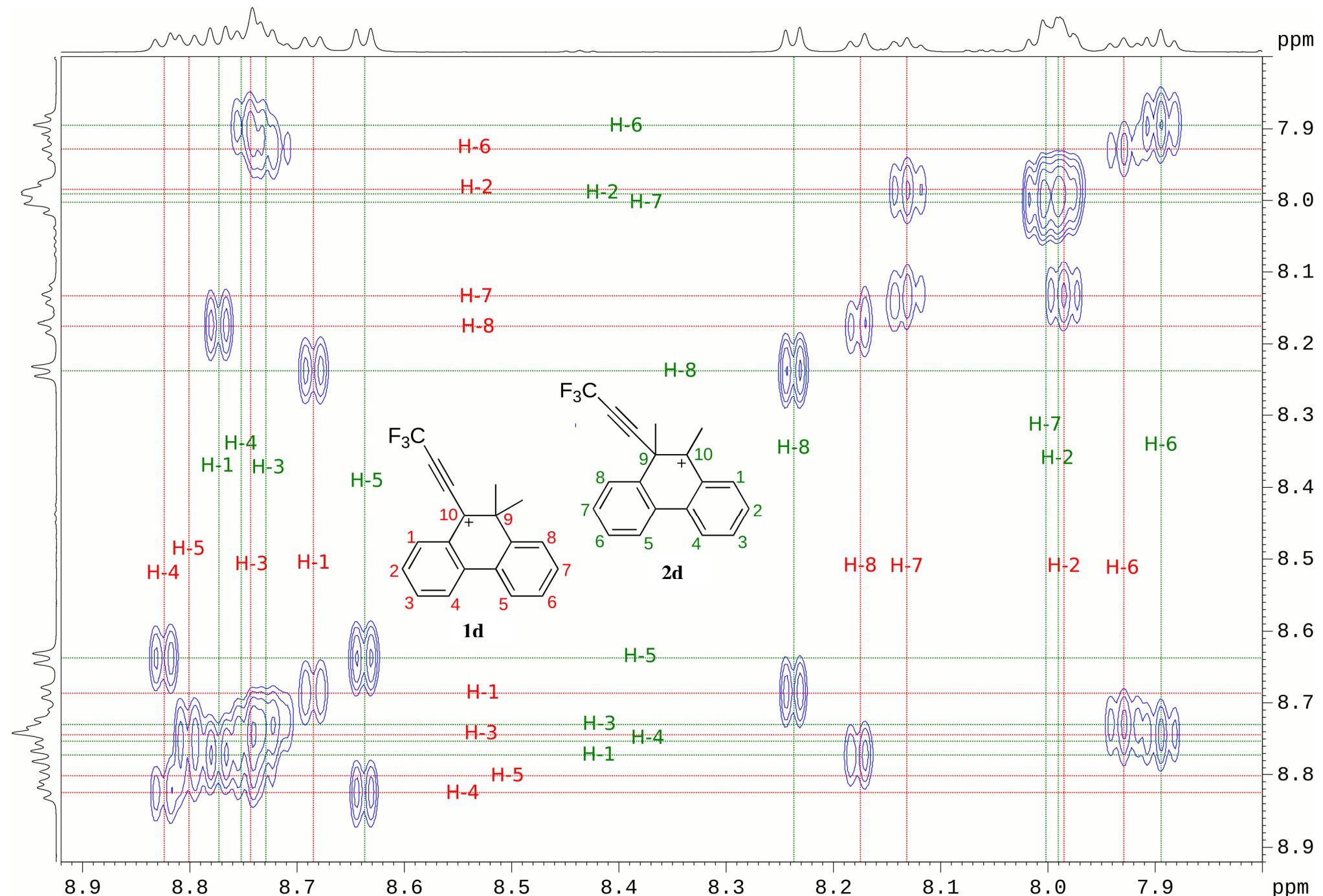


NOESY spectra (methyl region) of cations **1d** and **2d** in FSO<sub>3</sub>H-SO<sub>2</sub>ClF-CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>

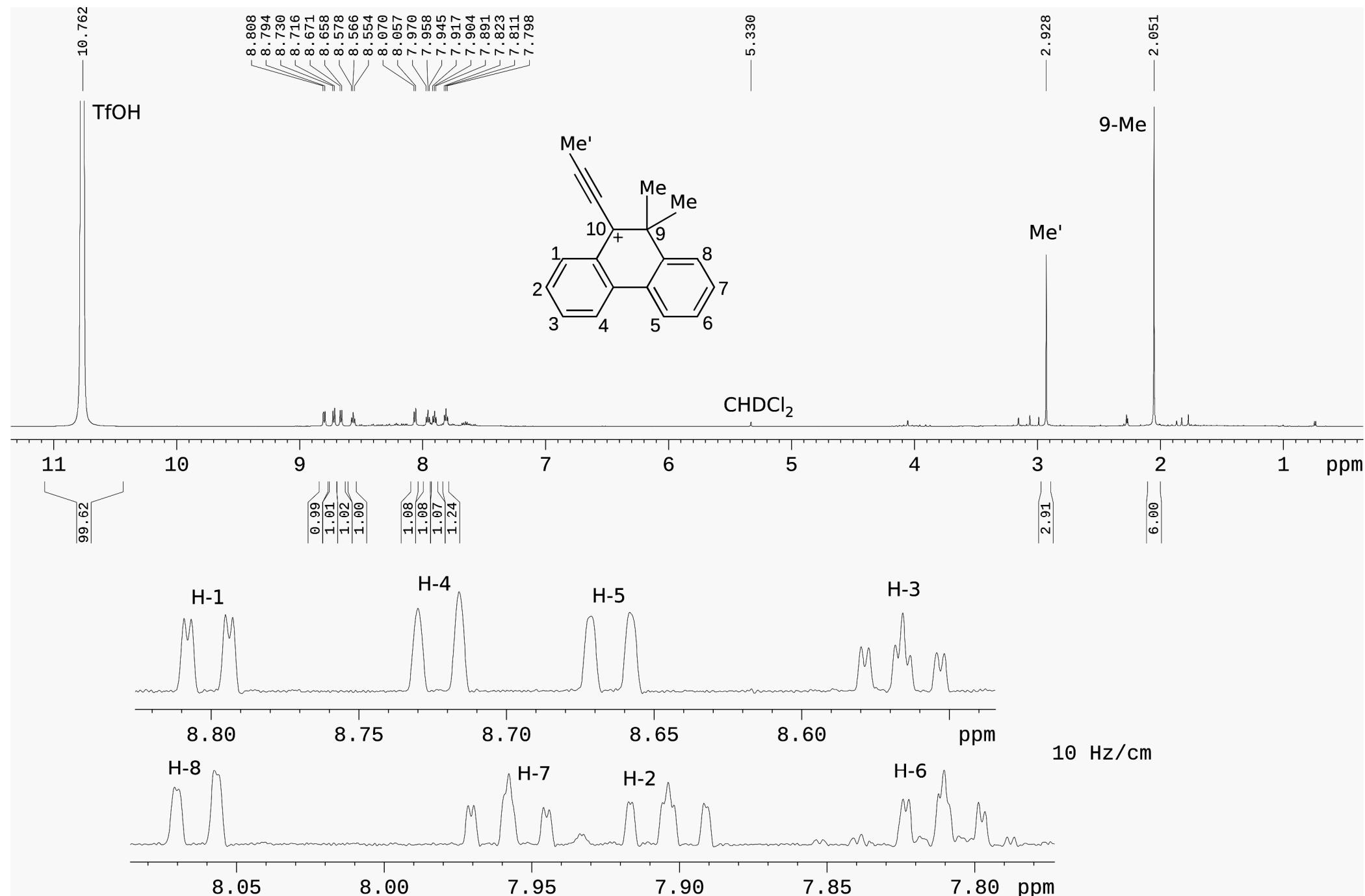
Left: at -47 °C (mixing time 0.4 s)  
Right: at -22.5 °C (mixing time 0.5 s)



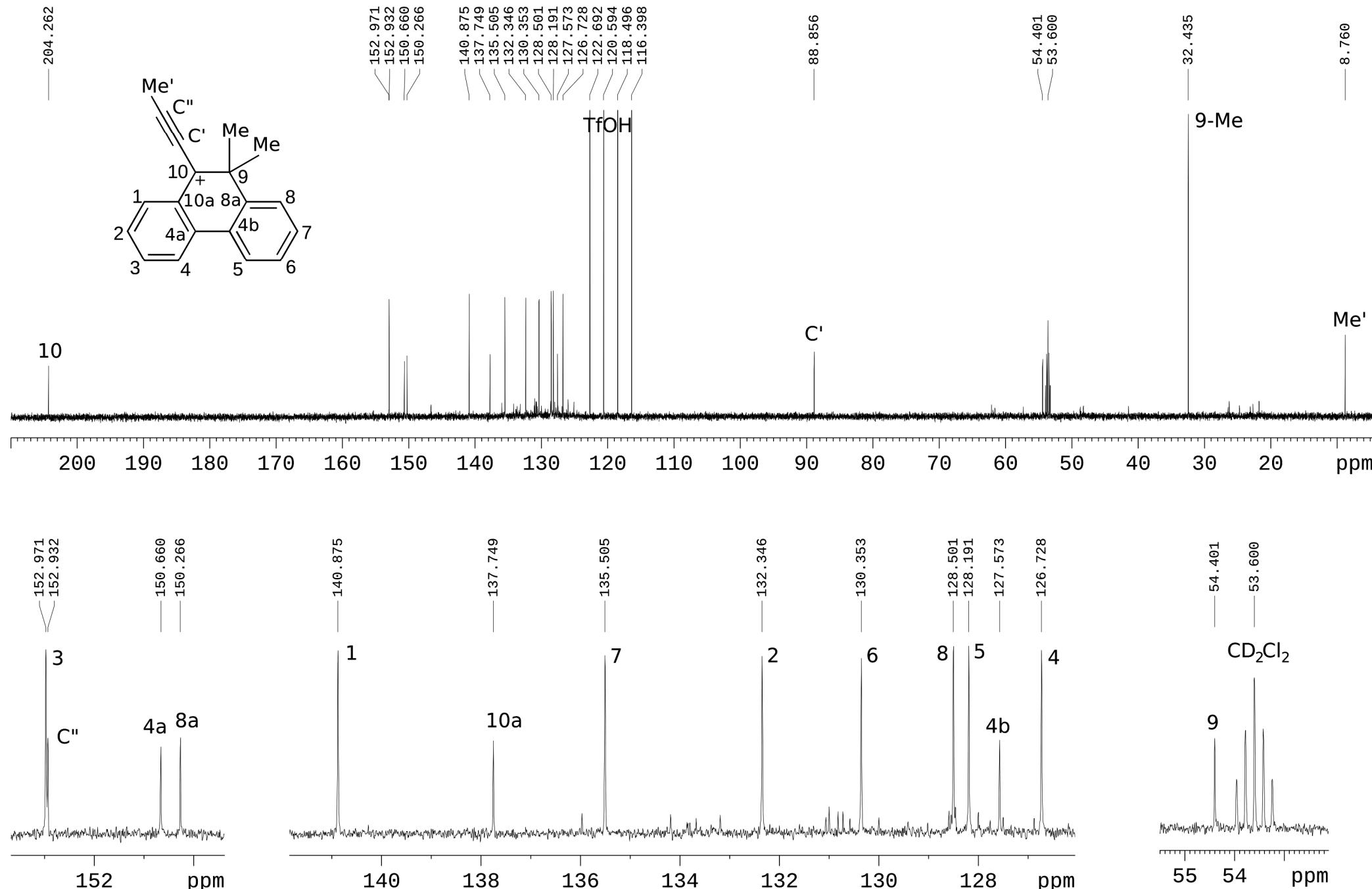
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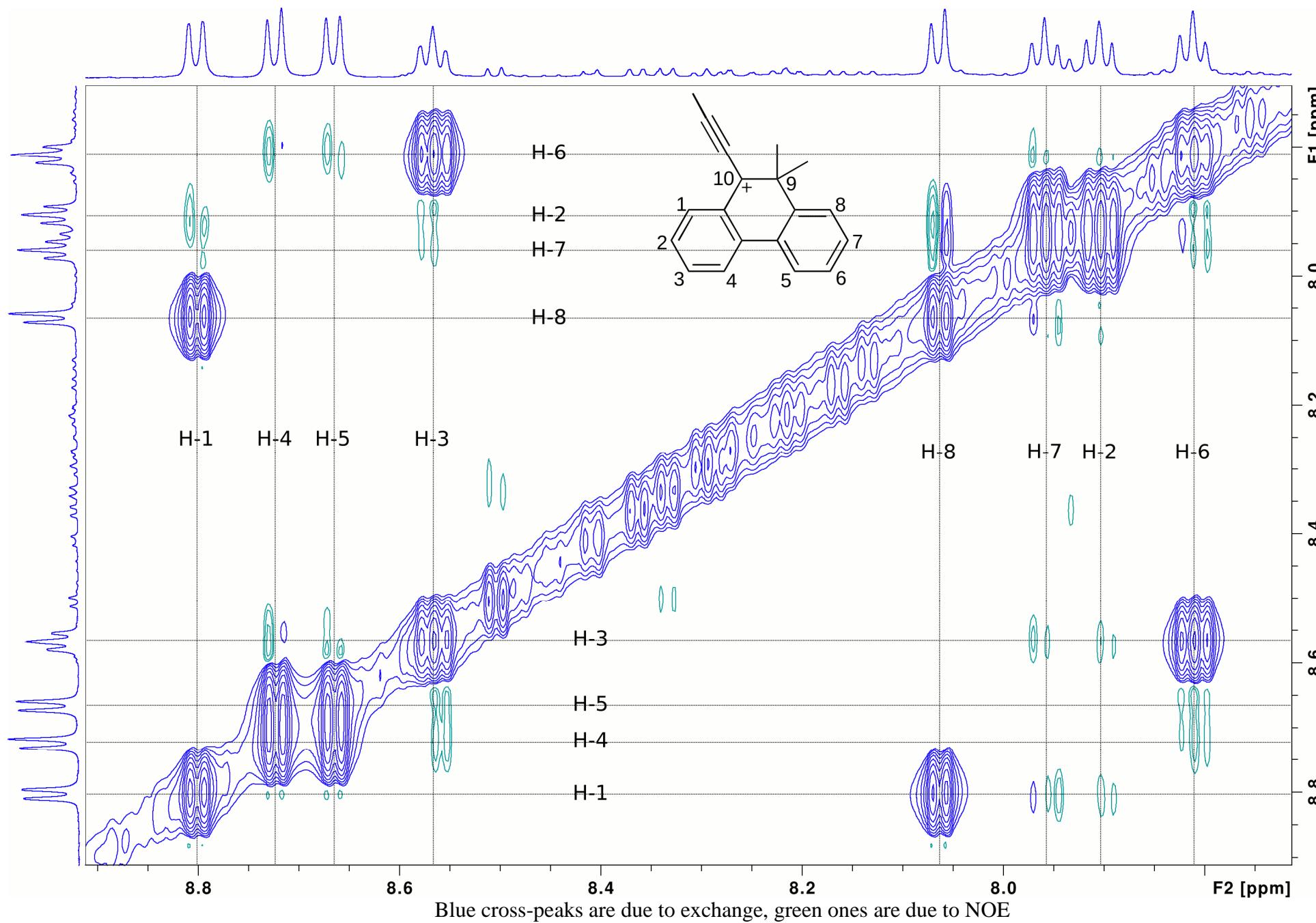
<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of cation **1b** in CF<sub>3</sub>SO<sub>3</sub>H-CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> at 30 °C. Unpicked signals correspond to unidentified decomposition products.



$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of cation **1b** in  $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_3\text{H}$ - $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$  at 30 °C. Unpicked signals correspond to unidentified decomposition products.



NOESY spectrum of cation **1b** in CF<sub>3</sub>SO<sub>3</sub>H-CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> at 28 °C (aromatic region; mixing time 0.7 s)



## Equilibrium constant of **1d** ⇌ **2d** ( $K = 2\mathbf{d}/1\mathbf{d}$ )

$y = ax + b$ , where

$a = \Delta H$ , kJ/mole;  $b = \Delta S$ , J deg.<sup>-1</sup> mole<sup>-1</sup>;  $y = R^* \ln(K)$ ;  $x = -1000/T$

t, °C	T, K	I <sub>1</sub>	I <sub>2</sub>	K=I <sub>1</sub> /(I <sub>2</sub> -I <sub>1</sub> )*2	x=-1000/T	y=R*lnK
-50.0	223.1	3	7.02	1.493	-4.482	3.329
-50.2	223.0	3	6.98	1.508	-4.484	3.413
-50.2	223.0	3	6.97	1.511	-4.484	3.433
-39.3	233.8	3	7.18	1.435	-4.276	3.005
-28.2	245.0	3	7.33	1.386	-4.082	2.712
-16.8	256.3	3	7.53	1.325	-3.901	2.336
-5.2	268.0	3	7.75	1.263	-3.731	1.942
-22.5	250.6	3	7.49	1.336	-3.990	2.410

I<sub>1</sub> – integral of **2d** 10-Me in <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (see p. S2).

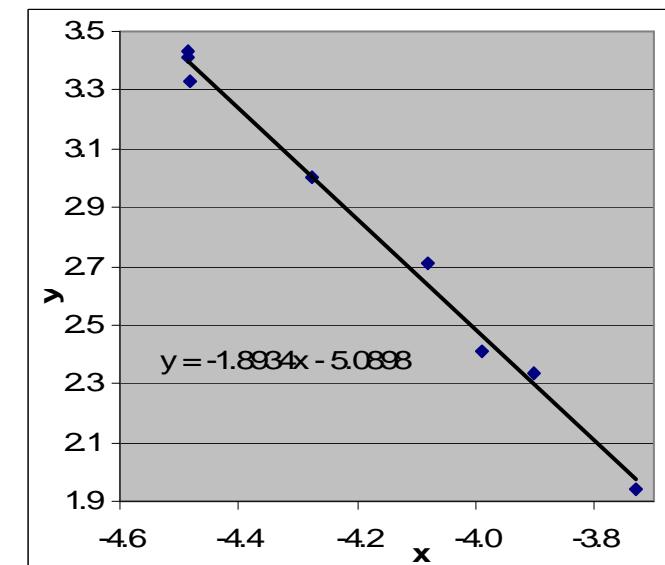
I<sub>2</sub> – integral of **2d** 9-Me and **1d** 9-Me in <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (see p. S2).

R = 1.987\*4.184 J/(mole\*degree)

Parameters of the linear regression

ΔH, kJ	-1.893
stdEr ΔH	0.067
r <sup>2</sup>	0.9924

ΔS, J deg. <sup>-1</sup> mole <sup>-1</sup>	-5.090
stdEr ΔS	0.28
stdEr y	0.053



Extrapolation of equilibrium constant K to T = 177.6 K

T, K	ΔH, J	ΔS	ΔG=ΔH-T*ΔS	K=exp(-ΔG/R/T)
177.6	-1893	-5.090	-989	<b>1.954</b>

## Rate constant of the reaction **1d** → **2d** at 177.6 K

$y = ax + b$ , where

$a = k, \text{ s}^{-1}$ ;  $y = -K/(K+1) * \ln((K-\gamma)/(1+\gamma))$ ;  $x = \text{time} - 1340850000$ ;  $\gamma = \frac{\text{2d}}{\text{1d}}$

$K = 1.954$  (equilibrium constant at 177.6 K)

time, s	I <sub>1</sub>	I <sub>2</sub>	$\gamma = I_1/(I_2-I_1)*2$	x	y
1340856326	3	15.36	0.485	6326	0.0076
1340856693	3	12.48	0.633	6693	0.1402
1340858042	3	8.36	1.119	8042	0.6164

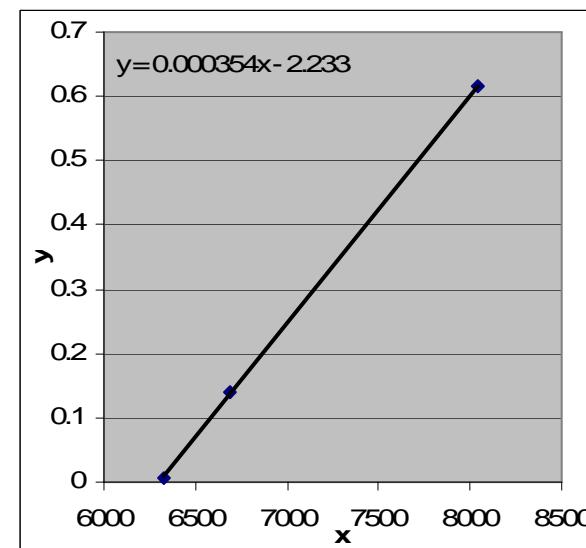
$I_1$  – integral of **2d** 10-Me in <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (see p. S2).

$I_2$  – integral of **2d** 9-Me and **1d** 9-Me in <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (see p. S2).

Parameters of the linear regression

k, $\text{s}^{-1}$	0.0003544
stdEr k	0.0000015

$r^2$	0.999983
stdEr y	0.0019



## Kinetics of the reaction **1d** → **2d**

The Eyring equation  $\Delta G^\# = -RT(\ln(k/T) - 23.76)$ ;  $\Delta G^\# = \Delta H^\# - T\Delta S^\#$

$y = ax + b$ , where

$a = \Delta H^\#, \text{ kJ}$ ;  $b = \Delta S^\#, \text{ J deg}^{-1} \text{ mole}^{-1}$ ;  $y = R^*(\ln(k/T) - 23.76)$ ;  $x = -1000/T$

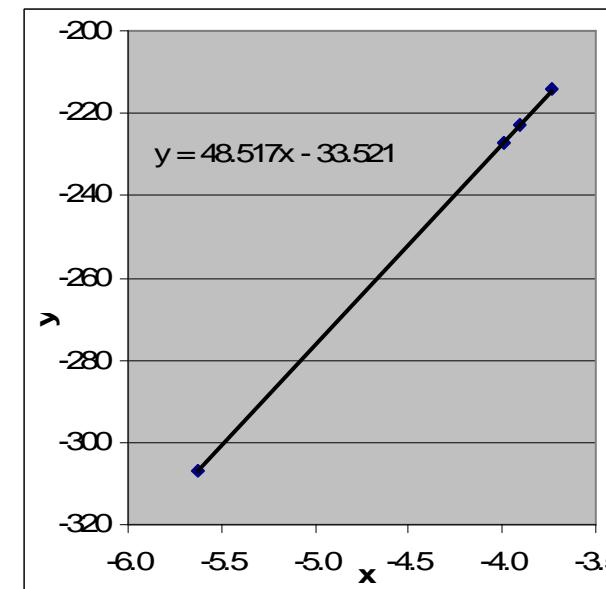
$R = 1.987 * 4.184 \text{ J}/(\text{mole} \cdot \text{degree})$ ;  $k$  – rate constant,  $\text{s}^{-1}$

t, °C	T, K	k <b>1d</b> → <b>2d</b>	x	y	$\Delta G^\#, \text{ kJ}$
-95.5	177.6	0.000354	-5.631	-306.7	55.66
-22.5	250.6	7	-3.990	-227.3	58.21
-16.8	256.3	12	-3.901	-223.0	58.42
-5.2	268.0	36	-3.731	-214.2	58.68

Parameters of the linear regression

$\Delta H^\#, \text{ kJ}$	48.52
stdEr $\Delta H^\#$	0.20
$r^2$	0.999967

$\Delta S^\#, \text{ J deg}^{-1} \text{ mole}^{-1}$	-33.52
stdEr $\Delta S^\#$	0.86
stdEr y	0.301



## Kinetics of the reaction $\mathbf{1b} \rightarrow \mathbf{1b}'$

Eyring equation  $\Delta G^\# = -RT(\ln(k/T)-23.76)$ ;  $\Delta G^\# = \Delta H^\# - T\Delta S^\#$

$y = ax + b$ , where

$a = \Delta H^\#, \text{ kJ}$ ;  $b = \Delta S^\#, \text{ J deg.}^{-1} \text{ mole}^{-1}$ ;  $y = R^*(\ln(k/T)-23.76)$ ;  $x = -1000/T$

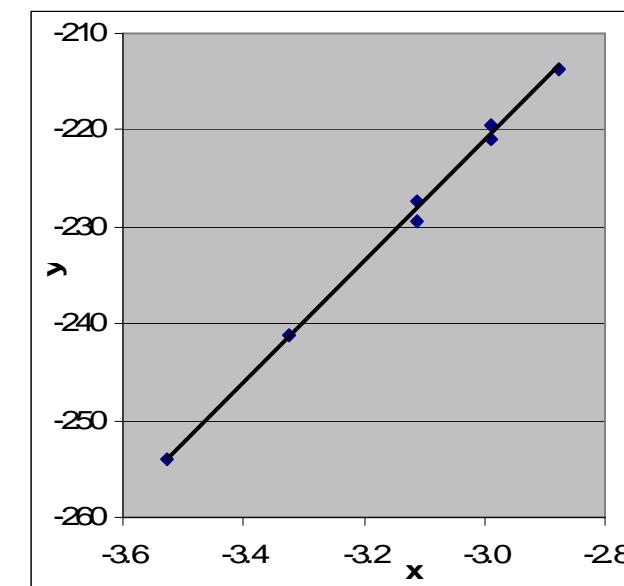
$R = 1.987 \times 4.184 \text{ J/(mole*degree)}$ ;  $k$  – rate constant,  $\text{s}^{-1}$

T, °C	T, K	k $\mathbf{1b} \rightarrow \mathbf{1b}'$	x	y	$\Delta G^\#, \text{ kJ}$
48.3	321.4	7	-3.112	-229.3	75.3
61.5	334.7	20	-2.989	-221.0	75.6
74.7	347.9	50	-2.876	-213.7	76.0
48.3	321.4	9	-3.112	-227.3	74.7
61.4	334.5	24	-2.991	-219.4	75.0
27.9	301.1	1.59	-3.323	-241.1	74.2
10.5	283.7	0.32	-3.527	-254.0	73.6

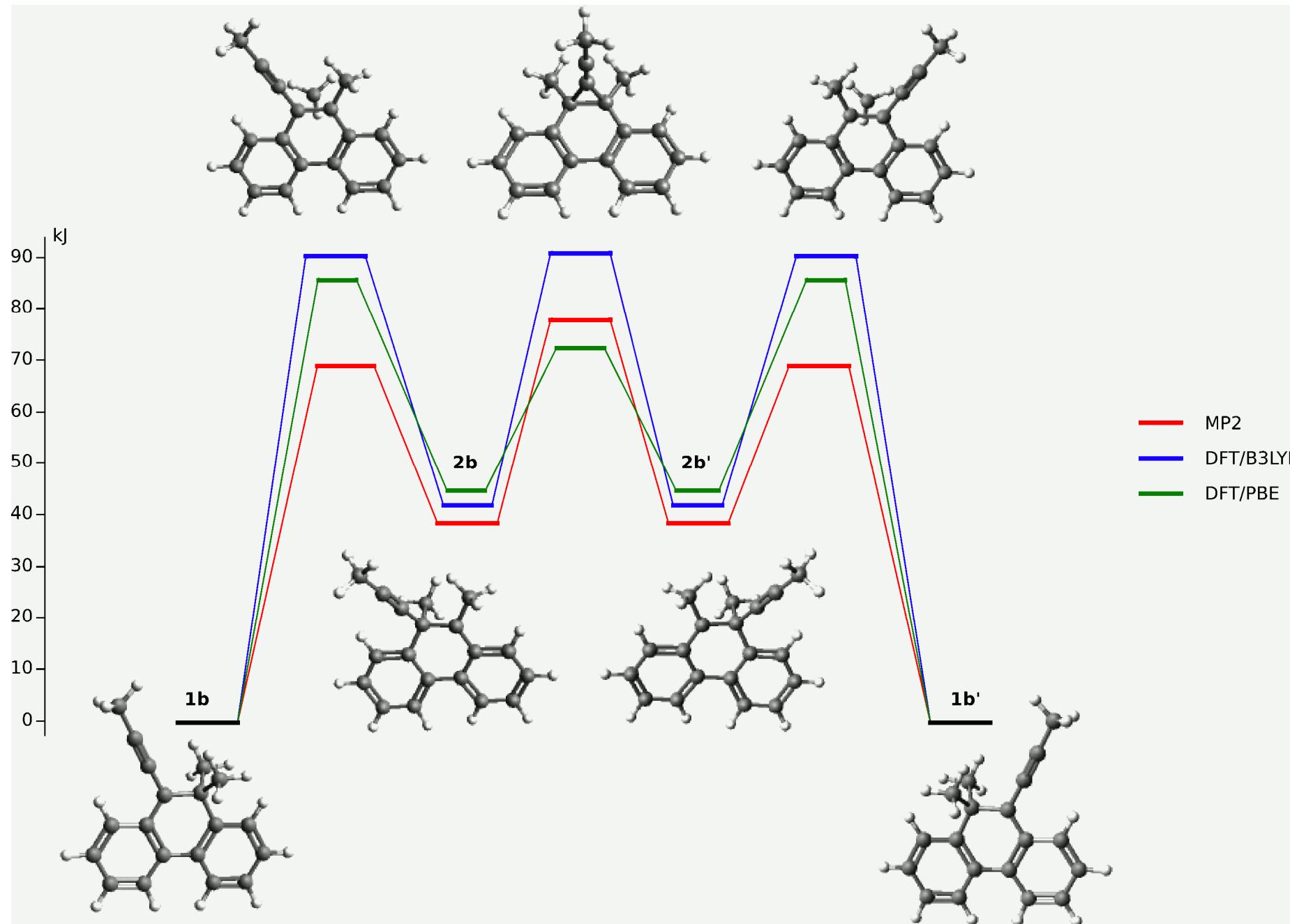
Parameters of the linear regression

$\Delta H^\#, \text{ kJ}$	62.2
stdEr $\Delta H^\#$	1.6
$r^2$	0.9967

$\Delta S^\#, \text{ J deg.}^{-1} \text{ mole}^{-1}$	-34.4
stdEr $\Delta S^\#$	5.0
stdEr y	0.87



Quantum chemical calculations (basis Λ1 (cc-pVDZ), PRIRODA program)



Optimized coordinates of cation **1b** by RI-MP2/Δ1

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Energy -731.85703833

C	1.03529781	-1.50218756	0.01436759
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Optimized coordinates of cation **2b** by RI-MP2/Δ1

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Energy -731.84237326

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Optimized coordinates of TS **1b** → **2b** by RI-MP2/Δ1

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Energy -731.83066803

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Optimized coordinates of TS **2b** → **2b'** by RI-MP2/Δ1

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