

Supporting Information for:

**Aryl-Palladium-NHC complex: Efficient Phosphine-free
Catalyst Precursors for the Carbonylation of Aryl Iodides with
Amines or Alkynes**

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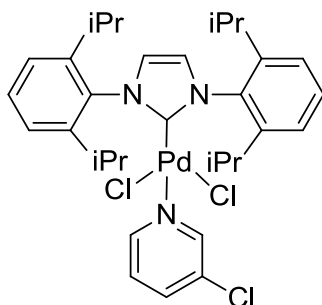
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1. General methods

All non-aqueous reactions and manipulations were using standard Schlenk techniques. All solvents were purchased from Alfa Aesar, and before use were dried and degassed by standard methods and stored under argon atmosphere. Aryl iodides were obtained from Alfa Aesar. Carbon monoxide (CO) with a purity of 99.99% was commercially available. All reactions were monitored by TLC with silica gel-coated plates. NMR spectra were recorded on BRUKER Avance III 400 MHz spectrometers. Chemical shifts were reported in parts per million (ppm) down field from TMS with the solvent resonance as the internal standard. Coupling constants (J) were reported in Hz and referred to apparent peak multiplications. High resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were recorded on Bruker MicroTOF-QII mass instrument (ESI) or Waters GCT Premier mass spectrometer (EI).

2. Synthesis of NHC palladium complexes

2.1 Synthesis of Pd(IPr)(3-Cl-pyridinyl)Cl₂ complex¹

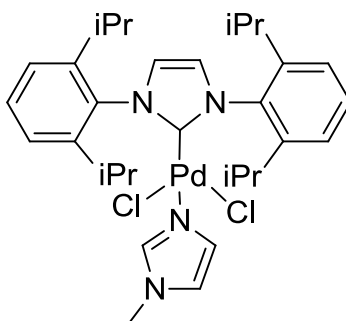


Under argon atmosphere, a mixture of PdCl₂ (1.0 mmol), IPr HCl (1.2 mmol), and K₂CO₃ (5 mmol) and 3-Chloropyridine (6 mL) was stirred at 80 °C for 16 h. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure. **Pd(IPr)(3-Cl-pyridinyl)Cl₂** was obtained as a off-white crystalline solid (82% yield) after crystallization from DCM and pentane and drying in vacuum.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.11 (d, *J* = 1.12, 12H), 1.47 (d, *J* = 1.42, 12H), 3.12-3.19 (m, 4H), 7.01-7.04 (m, 1H), 7.14 (s, 2H), 7.34-7.52 (m, 7H), 8.49-8.58 (m, 2H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 23.3, 26.4, 28.8, 124.1, 124.1, 124.4, 125.2, 130.4, 132.0, 135.0, 137.5, 146.7, 149.4, 150.4, 153.4.

2.2 Synthesis of IPr-Pd-Im-Cl₂ complex²



Under argon atmosphere, a mixture of compound IPr•HCl (1.1 mmol), PdCl₂ (1

¹ O'Brien, C. J.; Kantchev, E. A. B.; Valente, C.; Hadei, N.; Chass, G. A.; Lough, A.; Hopkinson, A. C.; Organ, M. G. *Chem. – Eur. J.* 2006, **12**, 4743.

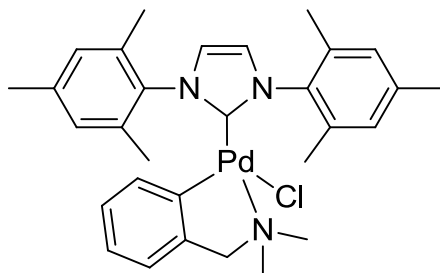
² L. Zhu, T. Gao, L.-X. Shao, *Tetrahedron* 2011, **67**, 5150.

mmol), K_2CO_3 (1.5 mmol), and 1-methylimidazole (4.0 ml) was stirred in anhydrous THF (5.0 mL) under reflux for 20 h. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and the residue was purified by aflash chromatography on silica gel (PE:EA=1:1). **IPr-Pd-Im-Cl₂** was obtained as a yellow crystalline solid (84% yield) .

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.10 (d, J = 2.88, 12H), 1.46 (d, J = 6.64, 12H), 3.14-3.21 (m, 4H), 3.41 (s, 3H), 6.51 (s, 1H), 7.09-7.16 (m, 3H), 7.31-7.48 (m, 6H), 7.66 (s, 1H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 23.2, 26.2, 28.6, 33.9, 119.0, 123.9, 124.8, 128.4, 130.0, 135.2, 138.3, 146.7, 156.5

2.3 Synthesis of IMes-Pd-dmba-Cl complex³



Under argon atmosphere, a mixture of compound PdCl_2 (1.0 mmol), *N,N*-dimethylbenzylamine (1.2 mmol) was stirred in CH_3CN (5 mL) under reflux until a clear, dark orange solution was formed and PdCl_2 was dissolved completely. Finely powdered K_2CO_3 (2.5 mmol) was added in one portion, and the mixture was stirred until the solution changed color to bright canary yellow. IMes HCl (1.1 mmol) was added in one portion, and the reflux continued for another 18 h. After cooling, the mixture was diluted DCM, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. **IMes-Pd-dmba-Cl** was obtained as a white crystalline solid (67% yield).

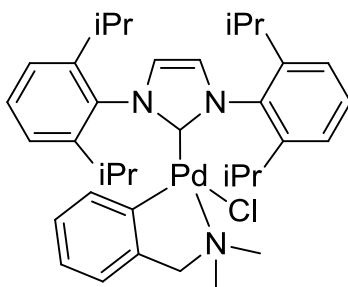
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 2.21 (s, 6H), 2.27 (s, 6H), 2.42 (d, J = 2.43, 6H), 3.51

³ G.-R. Peh, E. Assen, B. Kantchev, C. Zhang, J. Y. Ying, *Org. Biomol. Chem.*, 2009, 7, 2110.

(s, 2H), 6.56-6.58 (m, 1H), 6.67-6.71 (m, 1H), 6.75-6.83 (m, 4H), 6.97 (s, 2H), 7.08 (s, 2H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 19.8, 20.3, 21.1, 50.0, 72.3, 121.2, 122.9, 123.2, 123.9, 128.7, 129.4, 133.9, 136.2, 137.4, 138.3, 138.3, 147.6, 149.3, 175.7.

2.4 Synthesis of IPr-Pd-dmba-Cl complex⁴



Under argon atmosphere, a mixture of compound PdCl₂ (1.0 mmol), *N,N*-dimethylbenzylamine (1.2 mmol) was stirred in CH₃CN (5 mL) under reflux until a clear, dark orange solution was formed and PdCl₂ was dissolved completely. Finely powdered K₂CO₃ (2.5 mmol) was added in one portion, and the mixture was stirred until the solution changed color to bright canary yellow. IPr HCl (1.1 mmol) was added in one portion, and the reflux continued for another 18 h. After cooling, the mixture was diluted DCM, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure.

IPr-Pd-dmba-Cl was obtained as a white crystalline solid (78% yield).

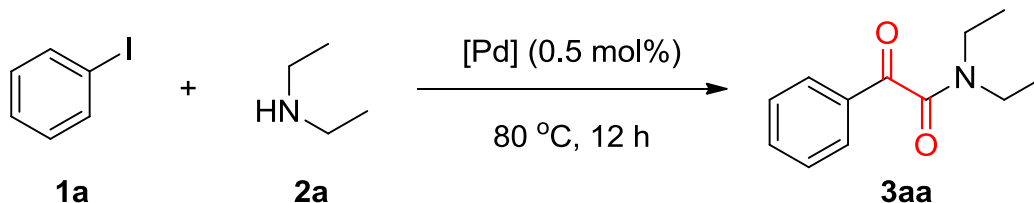
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.80 (d, *J* = 0.81, 6H), 1.01 (d, *J* = 1.02, 6H), 1.17 (d, *J* = 1.17, 6H), 1.48 (d, *J* = 1.48, 6H), 2.38 (s, 6H), 3.12-3.19 (m, 2H), 3.32-3.39 (m, 2H), 3.45 (s, 2H), 6.52-6.79 (m, 4H), 7.14-7.20 (m, 4H), 7.29-7.41 (m, 4H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 23.2, 23.3, 26.2, 26.4, 28.3, 29.0, 49.8, 72.6, 121.5, 122.6, 123.7, 124.0, 124.5, 125.4, 129.7, 136.2, 136.2, 144.7, 147.8, 147.8, 150.6, 177.6.

⁴ E. Assen, B. Kantchev, J. Y. Ying, *Organometallics* 2009, **28**, 289.

3. General procedure for the carbonylation reaction

3.1 Screening Optimal Conditions



Entry	P _{CO} (MPa)	1a:2a	Base	Solvent	Yield (%)
1	0.1	1:5	K ₂ CO ₃	dioxane	19
2	1	1:5	K ₂ CO ₃	dioxane	27
3	2	1:5	K ₂ CO ₃	dioxane	46
4	3	1:5	K ₂ CO ₃	dioxane	81
5	4	1:5	K ₂ CO ₃	dioxane	91 (0) ^b
6	4	1:2	K₂CO₃	dioxane	92 (0)^c
7	4	1:2	NaHCO ₃	dioxane	17
8	4	1:2	CsCO ₃	dioxane	88
9	4	1:2	DBU	dioxane	30
10	4	1:2	KOtBu	dioxane	43
11	4	1:2	K ₂ CO ₃	DMSO	76
12	4	1:2	K ₂ CO ₃	toluene	21
13	4	1:2	K ₂ CO ₃	EA	47
14	4	1:2	K ₂ CO ₃	CH ₃ CN	45
15	4	1:2	K ₂ CO ₃	THF	60
16	4	1:2	K ₂ CO ₃	<i>t</i> -AmOH	52

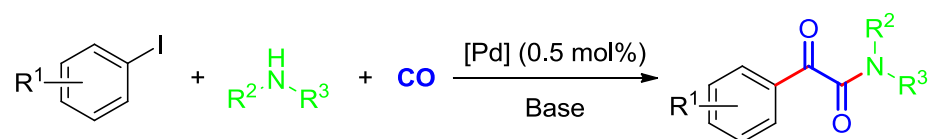
^a Reaction condition: **1a** (1.0 mmol), **2a**, [Pd] (0.5 mol%), Base (2.0 equiv), solvent (5.0 mL), CO, 80 °C, 12 h. Isolated yield.

^b No IPr-Pd(dmba)Cl. ^c No K₂CO₃.

All carbonylation experiments were carried out in a 75 mL autoclave equipped with magnetic stirring and automatic temperature control. In a typical experiment, aryl iodides (1.0 mmol), IPr-Pd-dmba-Cl (0.5 mol%), base (2.0 mmol), amine and solvent (5.0 ml) were charged into the reactor in the presence of air. Then the autoclave was purged three times with carbon monoxide, pressurized with carbon monoxide to a pressure of 0.1 - 4.0 MPa. The autoclave was placed in an oil bath pre-heated at 80°C, and the whole reaction mixture was stirred for 12 hours. After

the reaction, the autoclave was cooled, and excess CO was discharged slowly at room temperature. The reaction mixture was qualitatively and quantitatively analyzed by GC-MS. The crude product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel to give the desired product.

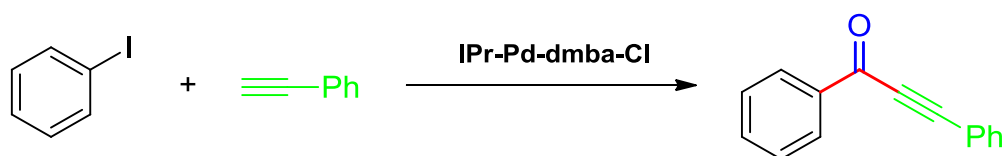
3.2 General procedure for the double carbonylation reaction



All carbonylation experiments were carried out in a 75 mL autoclave equipped with magnetic stirring and automatic temperature control. In a typical experiment, aryl iodides (1.0 mmol), IPr-Pd-dmba-Cl (0.5 mol%), K₂CO₃ (2.0 mmol), amine (2.0 mmol) and 1,4-dioxane (5.0 ml) were charged into the reactor in the presence of air. Then the autoclave was purged three times with carbon monoxide, pressurized with carbon monoxide to a pressure of 4.0 MPa. The autoclave was placed in an oil bath pre-heated at 80°C, and the whole reaction mixture was stirred for 12 hours. After the reaction, the autoclave was cooled, and excess CO was discharged slowly at room temperature. The reaction mixture was qualitatively and quantitatively analyzed by GC-MS. The crude product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel to give the desired product.

3.3 Screening Optimal Conditions

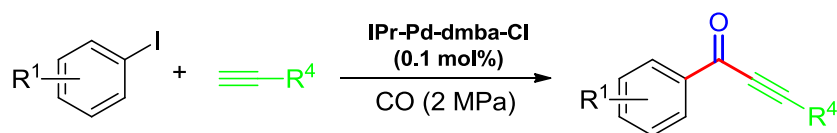
All carbonylation experiments were carried out in a 75 mL autoclave equipped with magnetic stirring and automatic temperature control. In a typical experiment, aryl iodides (1.0 mmol), alkynes (1.2 mmol), IPr-Pd-dmba-Cl, base (2.0 mmol) and solvent (5.0 ml) were charged into the reactor in the presence of air. Then the autoclave was purged three times with carbon monoxide, pressurized with carbon monoxide to a pressure of 1.0 – 4.0 MPa. The autoclave was placed in an oil bath pre-heated at 100 °C, and the whole reaction mixture was stirred for 4 - 18 hours. After the reaction, the autoclave was cooled, and excess CO was discharged slowly at room temperature. The reaction mixture was qualitatively and quantitatively analyzed by GC-MS. The crude product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel to give the desired product.



Entry	P _{CO} (MPa)	[Pd]	t/h	Base (2 eq.)	Solvent (5 ml)	Yield (%)
1	1	0.2%	4	TEA	toluene	28
2	1	0.2%	6	TEA	toluene	35
3	1	0.2%	12	TEA	toluene	57
4	1	0.2%	14	TEA	toluene	76
5	1	0.2%	16	TEA	toluene	83
6	1	0.2%	18	TEA	toluene	88
7	2	0.2%	16	TEA	toluene	>99
8	3	0.2%	16	TEA	toluene	58
9	4	0.2%	16	TEA	toluene	38
10	2	0.1%	16	TEA	toluene	85
11	2	0.05%	16	TEA	toluene	57
12	2	0.1%	18	TEA	toluene	98
13	2	0.1%	18	DBU	toluene	42
14	2	0.1%	18	K ₂ CO ₃	toluene	10
15	2	0.1%	18	CsCO ₃	toluene	4
16	2	0.1%	18	CH ₃ COONa	toluene	23
17	2	0.1%	18	KOtBu	toluene	37

18	2	0.1%	18	NaHCO ₃	toluene	7
19	2	0.1%	18	DABCO	toluene	25
20	2	0.1%	18	TEA	CH ₃ OH	NR
21	2	0.1%	18	TEA	CH ₃ CN	96
22	2	0.1%	18	TEA	THF	68
23	2	0.1%	18	TEA	dioxane	84
24	2	0.1%	18	TEA	DMSO	5.5
25	2	0.1%	18	TEA	anisole	75
26	2	0.1%	18	TEA	EA	10
27	2	0.1%	18	TEA	DCM	20

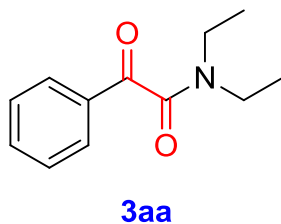
3.4 General procedure for the carbonylation reaction



All carbonylation experiments were carried out in a 75 mL autoclave equipped with magnetic stirring and automatic temperature control. In a typical experiment, aryl iodides (1.0 mmol), alkynes (1.2 mmol), IPr-Pd-dmba-Cl (0.1 mol%), Et₃N (2.0 mmol) and toluene (5.0 ml) were charged into the reactor in the presence of air. Then the autoclave was purged three times with carbon monoxide, pressurized with carbon monoxide to a pressure of 2.0 MPa. The autoclave was placed in an oil bath pre-heated at 100 °C, and the whole reaction mixture was stirred for 18 hours. After the reaction, the autoclave was cooled, and excess CO was discharged slowly at room temperature. The reaction mixture was qualitatively and quantitatively analyzed by GC-MS. The crude product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel to give the desired product.

4. Experimental characterization data of products

N,N-diethyl-2-oxo-2-phenylacetamide (3aa):



Yellow oil, 92% yield.

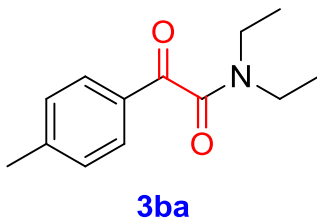
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.03 (t, J = 7.12, 3H), 1.17 (t, J = 7.16, 3H), 3.11 (dd, J_1 = 14.2, J_2 = 7.08, 2H), 3.43 (dd, J_1 = 14.3, J_2 = 7.16, 2H), 7.37-7.41 (m, 2H), 7.50-7.54 (m, 1H), 7.81-7.83 (m, 2H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 12.6, 13.8, 38.5, 41.9, 128.7, 129.3, 133.0, 134.4, 166.5, 191.4.

HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C₁₂H₁₅NO₂ [M+H]: 206.1176, found: 206.1177.

IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 2977, 2362, 1638, 1443, 1240, 855, 725.

N,N-diethyl-2-oxo-2-(p-tolyl)acetamide (3ba):



Yellow oil, 79% yield.

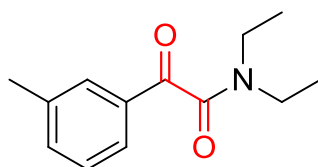
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.12-1.16 (m, 3H), 1.26-1.30 (m, 3H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 3.20-3.24 (m, 2H), 3.52-3.58 (m, 2H), 7.29 (d, J = 7.36, 2H), 7.81-7.84 (m, 2H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 12.5, 13.8, 21.5, 38.4, 41.8, 76.7, 77.0, 77.3, 129.4, 129.4, 130.5, 145.5, 166.7, 191.1.

HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C₁₃H₁₇NO₂ [M+H]: 220.1332, found: 220.1326.

IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 2970, 1638, 1435, 1246, 868, 737.

N,N-diethyl-2-oxo-2-(m-tolyl)acetamide (3ca):



3ca

Yellow oil, 73% yield.

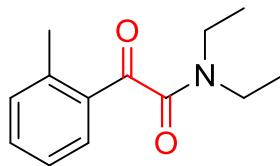
^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 1.04 (t, J = 7.12, 3H), 1.83 (t, J = 7.16, 3H), 2.30 (s, 3H), 3.10 (dd, J_1 = 14.2, J_2 = 7.28, 2H), 3.43 (dd, J_1 = 14.3, J_2 = 7.16, 2H), 7.27-7.35 (m, 2H), 7.61-7.65 (m, 2H).

^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 12.8, 14.0, 21.2, 38.7, 42.1, 126.9, 128.8, 129.8, 133.2, 135.4, 138.8, 166.8, 191.8.

HRMS (ESI) calcd. for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{17}\text{NO}_2$ [$\text{M}+\text{Na}$]: 242.1151, found: 242.1161.

IR (KBr, cm^{-1}) 2936, 2349, 1638, 1442, 1207, 959, 718.

N,N-diethyl-2-oxo-2-(o-tolyl)acetamide (3da):



3da

Yellow oil, 95% yield.

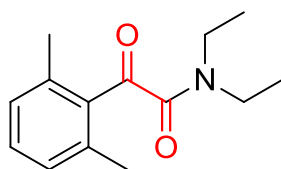
^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 1.01-1.05 (m, 3H), 1.12-1.16 (m, 3H), 2.53 (s, 3H), 3.10 (dd, J_1 = 14.1, J_2 = 7.04, 2H), 3.39 (dd, J_1 = 14.3, J_2 = 7.12, 2H), 7.15-7.10 (m, 2H), 7.31-7.36 (m, 1H), 7.57 (d, J = 7.68, 1H).

^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 12.2, 13.4, 21.3, 38.3, 41.7, 125.7, 131.2, 132.1, 133.1, 140.8, 167, 119.3.

HRMS (ESI) calcd. for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{17}\text{NO}_2$ [$\text{M}+\text{Na}$]: 242.1151, found: 242.1156.

IR (KBr, cm^{-1}) 2970, 2342, 1645, 1456, 1220, 868, 737.

2-(2,6-dimethylphenyl)-N,N-diethyl-2-oxoacetamide (3ea):



3ea

Yellow oil, 12% yield

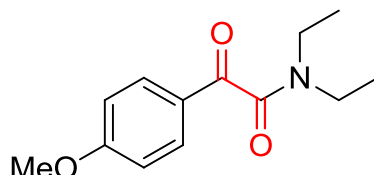
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.21 (t, *J* = 7.16, 3H), 1.32 (t, *J* = 7.04, 3H), 2.34 (s, 6H), 3.44-3.51 (m, 4H), 7.03 (d, *J* = 7.56, 2H), 7.20-7.26 (m, 1H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 12.0, 13.9, 20.1, 39.7, 42.3, 128.6, 130.6, 136.7, 166.1, 195.1.

HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C₁₄H₁₉NO₂ [M+Na]: 256.1308, found: 256.1310.

IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 2963, 1638, 1475, 1220, 868, 776.

N,N-diethyl-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-oxoacetamide (3fa):



3fa

Yellow oil, 78% yield.

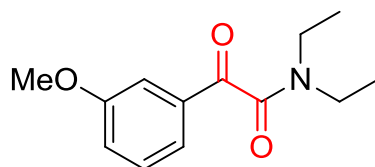
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¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 12.7, 14.0, 38.6, 42.0, 55.5, 76.7, 77.0, 77.3, 114.1, 126.2, 131.9, 164.6, 167.0, 190.3.

HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C₁₃H₁₇NO₃ [M+Na]: 270.1107 found: 270.1103.

IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 2930, 2349, 1638, 1384, 1285, 1142, 679.

N,N-diethyl-2-(3-methoxyphenyl)-2-oxoacetamide (3ga):



3ga

Yellow oil, 70% yield.

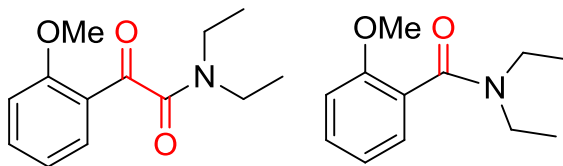
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.07 (t, *J* = 7.12, 3H), 1.21 (t, *J* = 7.16, 3H), 3.13 (dd, *J*₁ = 14.2, *J*₂ = 7.08, 2H), 3.45 (dd, *J*₁ = 14.3, *J*₂ = 7.16, 2H), 3.77 (s, 3H), 7.09-7.11 (m, 1H), 7.31 (d, *J* = 8.00, 1H), 7.35-7.41 (m, 2H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 12.7, 14.0, 38.7, 42.1, 55.4, 112.8, 121.4, 122.6, 130.0, 134.5, 156.0, 166.7, 191.5.

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IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 2982, 2362, 1638, 1500, 1240, 868, 607.

N,N-diethyl-2-(2-methoxyphenyl)-2-oxoacetamide (3ha):



3ha

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Yellow oil, 98% yield (10:1).

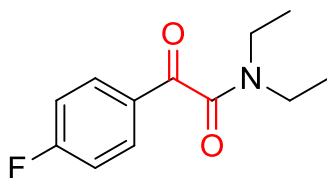
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¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 12.7, 14.0, 38.7, 42.1, 55.4, 112.8, 121.4, 122.6, 130.0, 134.5, 156.0, 166.7, 191.5.

HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C₁₃H₁₇NO₃ [M+Na]: 258.1101, found: 258.1100.

IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 2989, 2356, 1645, 1442, 1285, 1024, 764.

N,N-diethyl-2-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-oxoacetamide (3ia):



3ia

Yellow solid , 95% yield, M.P. 98°C.

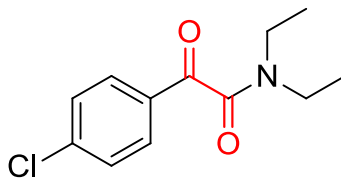
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.14 (t, *J* = 7.12, 3H), 1.28 (t, *J* = 7.16, 3H), 3.22 (dd, *J*₁ = 14.2, *J*₂ = 7.08, 2H), 3.53 (dd, *J*₁ = 14.3, *J*₂ = 7.16, 2H), 7.18-7.22 (m, 2H), 7.97-7.80 (m, 2H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 12.4, 13.7, 38.5, 41.8, 115.8, 116.0, 129.4, 129.5, 132.0, 132.1, 164.9, 166.1, 167.4, 189.6..

HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C₁₂H₁₄FN₂O₂ [M+Na]: 246.0901, found: 246.0905.

IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 2982, 1625, 1505, 1234, 875, 620.

2-(4-chlorophenyl)-N,N-diethyl-2-oxoacetamide (3ja):



3ja

Yellow oil, 97% yield.

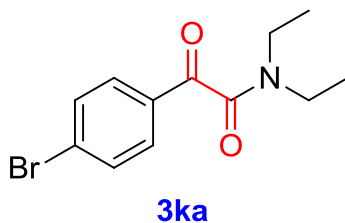
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.02 (t, *J* = 7.08, 3H), 1.15 (t, *J* = 7.4, 3H), 3.10 (dd, *J*₁ = 14.16, *J*₂ = 7.08, 2H), 3.42 (dd, *J*₁ = 14.32, *J*₂ = 7.16, 2H), 7.37-7.39 (m, 2H), 7.77-7.79 (m, 2H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 12.5, 13.8, 38.6, 41.8, 76.7, 77.0, 77.3, 129.0, 130.6, 131.3, 140.7, 165.9, 189.8.

HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C₁₂H₁₄ClN₂O₂ [M+Na]: 262.0605, found: 262.0610.

IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 3334, 1651, 1442, 1312, 1063, 692.

2-(4-bromophenyl)-N,N-diethyl-2-oxoacetamide (3ka):



Yellow solid, 87% yield.

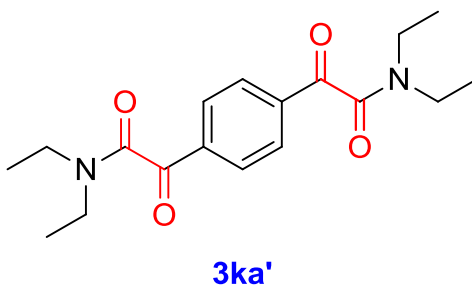
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.09-1.13 (m, 3H), 1.22-1.26 (m, 3H), 3.16-3.22 (m, 2H), 3.48-3.54 (m, 2H), 7.60-7.63 (m, 2H), 7.75-7.78 (m, 2H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 12.7, 14.1, 38.8, 42.0, 129.9, 130.9, 131.9, 132.2, 166.0, 190.2.

HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C₁₂H₁₄BrNO₂ [M+Na]: 284.0281, found: 284.0279.

IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 2982, 1638, 1579, 1227, 1070, 764.

2,2'-(1,4-phenylene)bis(N,N-diethyl-2-oxoacetamide) (3ka'):

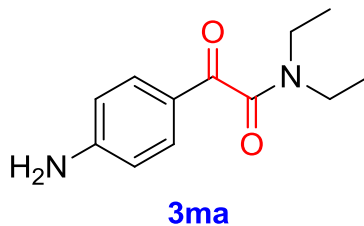


¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.13-1.13(m, 12H), 3.22 (dd, *J*₁ = 15.04, *J*₂ = 5.24, 4H), 3.55 (dd, *J*₁ = 15.04, *J*₂ = 5.24, 4H), 8.07 (s, 4H),

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 12.8, 14.2, 39.1, 42.2, 130.0, 137.3, 165.9, 190.3.

12.8, 14.2, 39.1, 42.2, 130.0, 137.3, 165.9, 190.3.

2-(4-aminophenyl)-N,N-diethyl-2-oxoacetamide (3ma):



Yellow solid , 16% yield, M.P. 38°C.

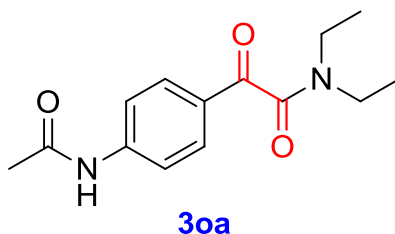
^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 1.12 (t, $J = 7.12$, 3H), 1.25 (t, $J = 7.16$, 3H), 3.21 (dd, $J_1 = 14.16$, $J_2 = 7.08$, 2H), 3.51 (dd, $J_1 = 14.32$, $J_2 = 7.16$, 2H), 4.37 (s, 2H), 6.63 (d, $J = 8.72$, 2H), 7.72 (d, $J = 8.60$, 2H).

^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 12.9, 14.1, 38.6, 42.1, 113.9, 123.5, 132.3, 152.6, 167.6, 190.0.

HRMS (ESI) calcd. for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{16}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}$]: 221.1285, found: 221.1281.

IR (KBr, cm^{-1}) 3354, 2936, 1579, 1253, 1148, 750, 620.

2-(4-acetamidophenyl)-N,N-diethyl-2-oxoacetamide (3oa):



Yellow solid, 47% yield, M.P. 42°C.

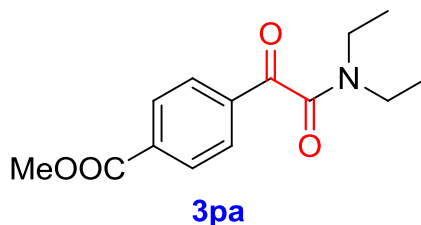
^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 1.13 (t, $J = 7.12$, 3H), 1.26 (t, $J = 7.20$, 3H), 3.22 (dd, $J_1 = 14.16$, $J_2 = 7.08$, 2H), 3.52 (dd, $J_1 = 14.72$, $J_2 = 7.2$, 2H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 6.96 (dd, $J_1 = 7.00$, $J_2 = 1.88$, 2H), 7.89 (dd, $J_1 = 6.96$, $J_2 = 1.88$, 2H).

^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 12.7, 14.0, 38.6, 42.0, 55.5, 114.1, 126.2, 131.9, 164.6, 166.9, 190.3.

HRMS (ESI) calcd. for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3$ [$\text{M}+\text{Na}$]: 285.1210, found: 285.1214.

IR (KBr, cm^{-1}) 2963, 1592, 1468, 1267, 1070, 750.

methyl 4-(2-(diethylamino)-2-oxoacetyl)benzoate (3pa):



Pale yellow solid, 98% yield, M.P. 48°C.

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 1.13 (t, $J = 7.04$, 3H), 1.26 (t, $J = 6.44$, 3H), 3.20 (dd,

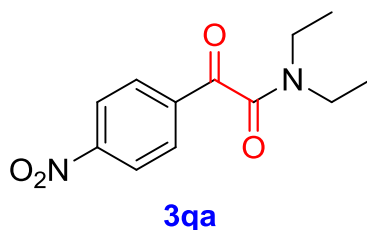
$J_1 = 14.16$, $J_2 = 7.04$, 2H), 3.53 (dd, $J_1 = 14.28$, $J_2 = 7.12$, 2H), 3.94 (s, 3H), 7.98 (d, $J = 8.04$, 2H), 8.13 (d, $J = 8.2$, 2H).

^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 12.8, 14.1, 38.9, 42.1, 52.5, 129.5, 130.0, 135.0, 136.4, 165.9, 166.1, 190.6.

HRMS (ESI) calcd. for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{18}\text{NO}_4$ [$\text{M}+\text{Na}$]: 286.1047, found: 286.1050.

IR (KBr, cm^{-1}) 2982, 1722, 1632, 1468, 1285, 1102, 725.

N,N-diethyl-2-(4-nitrophenyl)-2-oxoacetamide (3oa):



Pale red oil, 58% yield.

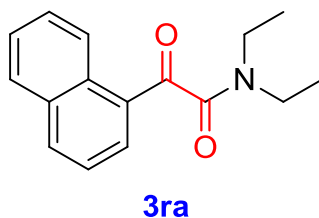
^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 1.16 (t, $J = 7.08$, 3H), 1.27 (t, $J = 7.2$, 3H), 3.23 (dd, $J_1 = 14.16$, $J_2 = 7.08$, 2H), 3.55 (dd, $J_1 = 14.36$, $J_2 = 6.64$, 2H), 8.10-8.14 (m, 2H), 8.32-8.36 (m, 2H).

^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 12.8, 14.3, 39.3, 42.3, 124.1, 130.7, 137.7, 151.0, 165.4, 189.1.

HRMS (ESI) calcd. for $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{15}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3$ [$\text{M}+\text{Na}$]: 245.0908, found: 245.0897.

IR (KBr, cm^{-1}) 2976, 1632, 1449, 1240, 848, 711.

N,N-diethyl-2-(naphthalen-1-yl)-2-oxoacetamide (3pa):



Yellow oil, 92% yield.

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 1.09 (t, $J = 7.08$, 3H), 1.25 (t, $J = 7.2$, 3H), 3.22 (dd, $J_1 = 14.16$, $J_2 = 7.08$, 2H), 3.51 (dd, $J_1 = 14.32$, $J_2 = 7.16$, 2H), 7.47-7.66 (m, 3H),

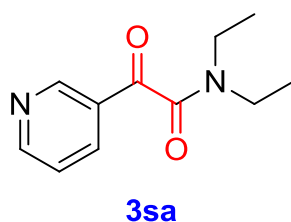
7.84-8.05 (m, 3H), 9.30 (d, $J = 8.6$, 3H),.

^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 12.5, 13.7, 38.6, 42.0, 124.3, 125.5, 126.7, 128.3, 128.5, 128.9, 130.7, 133.8, 134.0, 135.5, 167.0, 193.9.

HRMS (ESI) calcd. for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{17}\text{NO}_2$ [$\text{M}+\text{Na}$]: 278.1151, found: 278.1156.

IR (KBr, cm^{-1}) 3334, 2930, 1625, 1442, 1213, 1018, 750.

N,N-diethyl-2-oxo-2-(pyridin-3-yl)acetamide (3qa):



Yellow oil, 92% yield.

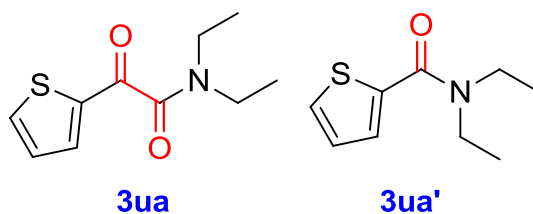
^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 1.06-1.10 (m, 3H), 1.16-1.20 (m, 3H), 3.15-3.21 (m, 2H), 3.44-3.50 (m, 2H), 7.38-7.42 (m, 1H), 8.13 (t, $J = 1.56$, 1H), 8.73 (t, $J = 8.08$, 1H), 9.01 (s, 1H),.

^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 12.4, 13.8, 38.7, 41.8, 123.5, 128.4, 136.2, 150.7, 154.2, 165.2, 189.6.

HRMS (ESI) calcd. for $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{14}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$ [$\text{M}+\text{Na}$]: 229.0945, found: 229.0947.

IR (KBr, cm^{-1}) 2976, 1632, 1423, 1018, 855, 692

N,N-diethyl-2-oxo-2-(thiophen-2-yl)acetamide (3ra):



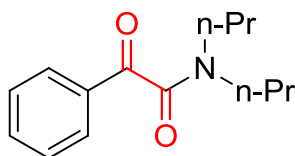
Yellow oil, >99% yield (9:1).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 1.16-1.28 (m, 7.68H), 3.29-3.50 (m, 2.12H), 3.51-3.57 (m, 2.93H), 7.03-7.05 (m, 0.17H), 7.17-7.19 (m, 1H), 7.32 (d, $J = 1.56$, 0.18H), 7.42 (d, $J = 8.08$, 0.16H), 7.76-7.81 (m, 1.94H),.

^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 12.4, 13.9, 38.9, 42.1 126.5, 127.6, 127.9, 128.4, 135.7, 136.0, 138.0, 140.2, 163.5, 165.4, 183.5.

HRMS (ESI) calcd. for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]$: 285.1210, found: 285.1214.

2-oxo-2-phenyl-N,N-dipropylacetamide (3ab):



3ab

Yellow oil, 85% yield .

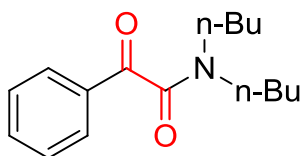
^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 0.66 (t, J = 7.44, 3H), 0.88 (t, J = 7.44, 3H), 1.45 (t, J = 7.52, 2H), 1.59 (t, J = 7.52, 2H), 3.00-3.05 (m, 2H), 3.35-3.90 (m, 2H), 7.38-7.42 (m, 2H), 7.50-7.55 (m, 1H), 7.83-7.85 (m, 2H).

^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 10.7, 11.1, 20.3, 21.5, 45.5, 49.0, 128.7, 129.3, 133.1, 134.3, 166.9, 191.3.

HRMS (ESI) calcd. for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{19}\text{NO}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]$: 256.1308, found: 256.1321.

IR (KBr, cm^{-1}) 2963, 2356, 1638, 1442, 1213, 847, 725.

N,N-dibutyl-2-oxo-2-phenylacetamide (3ac):



3ac

Yellow oil, 84% yield .

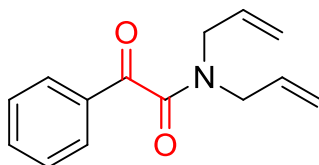
^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 0.79 (t, J = 7.4, 3H), 0.92 (t, J = 7.4, 3H), 1.14-1.123 (m, 2H), 1.37-1.46 (m, 2H), 1.50-1.58 (m, 2H), 1.66-1.69 (m, 2H), 7.48-7.52 (m, 2H), 7.61-7.64 (m, 1H), 7.92-7.95 (m, 2H).

^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 13.3, 13.6, 19.5, 20.0, 29.2, 30.4, 43.8, 47.2, 128.7, 129.3, 133.1, 134.3, 166.9, 191.4.

HRMS (ESI) calcd. for $C_{12}H_{16}NO_2$ $[M+Na]$: 228.1006, found: 228.0995.

IR (KBr, cm^{-1}) 2956, 2349, 1638, 1449, 1213, 947, 725.

N,N-diallyl-2-oxo-2-phenylacetamide (3ad):



3ad

Yellow oil, 82% yield .

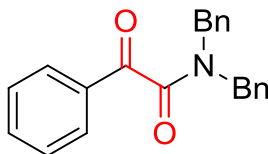
1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 3.80-3.82 (m, 2H), 4.13-4.16 (m, 2H), 5.14-5.30 (m, 4H), 5.67-5.90 (m, 2H), 7.49-7.53 (m, 2H), 7.62-7.66 (m, 1H), 7.94-7.96 (m, 2H).

^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 45.9, 49.4, 118.7, 119.4, 129.0, 129.7, 131.8, 132.1, 133.1, 134.7, 167.0, 191.2.

HRMS (ESI) calcd. for $C_{14}H_{15}NO_2$ $[M+Na]$: 229.1110, found:229.1114.

IR (KBr, cm^{-1}) 2917, 2356, 1651, 1442, 1201, 933, 731.

N,N-dibenzyl-2-oxo-2-phenylacetamide (3ae):



3ae

Yellow oil, 63% yield.

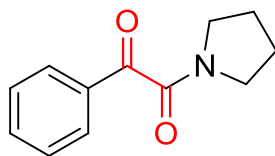
1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 4.28 (s, 2H), 4.62 (s, 2H), 7.24-7.41 (m, 10H), 7.49-7.53 (m, 2H), 7.62-7.64 (m, 1H), 7.98-8.01 (m, 2H).

^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 46.0, 50.1, 127.9, 128.2, 128.3, 128.7, 128.8, 128.9, 129.0, 129.8, 133.3, 134.7, 134.8, 135.9, 167.5, 191.3.

HRMS (ESI) calcd. for $C_{22}H_{19}N_3O_4$ $[M+Na]$: 352.1308, found: 352.1308.

IR (KBr, cm^{-1}) 2924, 2342, 1971, 1632, 1449, 1207, 947, 698.

1-phenyl-2-(pyrrolidin-1-yl)ethane-1,2-dione (3af):



3af

Yellow oil, 69% yield.

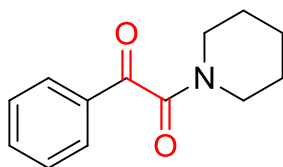
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.91-1.96 (m, 4H), 3.39 (t, *J* = 6.6, 2H), 3.62 (t, *J* = 6.6, 2H), 7.48-7.52 (m, 2H), 7.61-7.65 (m, 1H), 7.97-7.80 (m, 2H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 23.6, 25.5, 44.9, 46.3, 128.6, 129.5, 132.5, 134.3, 164.6, 191.3.

HRMS (ESI) C₁₂H₁₄NO₂ [M+Na]: 226.0850, found: 226.0838.

IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 2911, 2632, 1632, 1449, 1246, 731, 658.

1-phenyl-2-(piperidin-1-yl)ethane-1,2-dione (3ag):



3ag

Yellow oil, 48% yield.

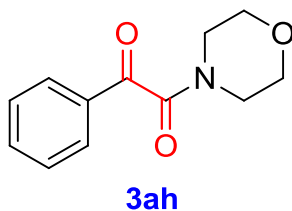
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.45 (s, 2H), 1.60-1.61 (m, 4H), 3.19 (t, *J* = 5.56, 2H), 3.62 (s, 2H), 7.41-7.45 (m, 2H), 7.5-7.58 (m, 1H), 7.86 (d, *J* = 7.24, 2H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 24.1, 25.2, 25.9, 41.8, 46.7, 128.8, 129.2, 132.9, 134.4, 165.2, 191.7.

HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C₁₃H₁₆NO₂ [M+Na]: 240.1003, found: 240.0995.

IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 2943, 1652, 1449, 1220, 972, 718.

1-morpholino-2-phenylethane-1,2-dione (3ah):



Yellow oil, 92% yield.

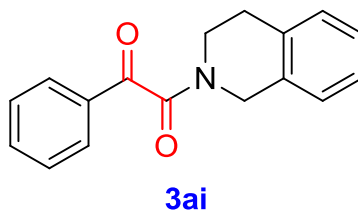
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.24-3.26 (m, 2H), 3.50-3.53 (m, 2H), 3.66 (s, 4H), 7.39-7.43 (m, 2H), 7.52-7.56 (m, 1H), 7.83-7.85 (m, 2H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 41.2, 45.8, 66.2, 66.3, 128.7, 129.2, 132.6, 134.6, 165.0, 190.8.

HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C₁₂H₁₄NO₃ [M+Na]: 242.0791, found: 242.0788.

IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 2851, 1651, 1456, 1227, 1116, 992, 711.

1-(3,4-dihydroisoquinolin-2(1H)-yl)-2-phenylethane-1,2-dione (3ai):



Yellow oil, 66% yield.

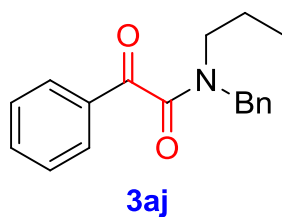
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 2.85-2.88 (m, 1.3H), 2.99-3.02 (m, 0.73H), 3.62-3.64 (m, 1.29H), 3.98-4.01 (m, 0.73H), 4.54 (s, 0.70H), 4.92 (s, 1.28H), 6.93-6.95 (m, 0.36H), 7.11-7.26 (m, 3.87H), 7.54-7.47 (m, 1.96H), 7.61-7.68 (m, 0.98H), 7.94-7.99 (m, 1.88H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 126.1, 126.6, 126.7, 126.9, 126.9, 127.3, 128.9, 129.0, 129.1, 129.1, 129.7, 129.8, 131.6, 131.8, 133.1, 133.1, 133.4, 134.2, 134.8, 134.9, 165.8, 166.1, 191.4, 191.5.

HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C₁₇H₁₆NO₂ [M+Na]: 288.0999, found: 288.0995.

IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 2911, 1645, 1442, 1207, 901, 725.

N-benzyl-2-oxo-2-phenyl-N-propylacetamide (3aj):



Yellow oil, 53% yield.

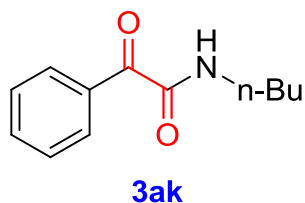
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.72-0.76 (m, 1.75H), 0.93-0.97 (m, 1.39H), 1.53-1.69 (m, 2.13H), 3.05-3.09 (m, 1.17H), 3.39-3.41 (m, 0.93H), 4.39 (s, 0.93H), 4.76 (s, 1.18H), 7.26-7.38 (m, 5.06H), 7.48-7.52 (m, 2.06H), 7.60-7.65 (m, 1.03H), 7.95-7.99 (m, 2H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 11.0, 11.4, 20.2, 21.3, 45.3, 46.9, 48.6, 51.1, 127.8, 127.9, 128.1, 128.3, 128.8, 128.8, 129.0, 129.0, 129.7, 129.7, 133.3, 134.6, 134.7, 135.3, 136.4, 167.3, 167.5, 191.3, 191.6.

HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C₁₈H₂₀NO₂ [M+Na]: 304.1311, found: 304.1308.

IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 2969, 2362, 1651, 1442, 1220, 958, 731.

N-butyl-2-oxo-2-phenylacetamide (3ak):



Yellow oil, 83% yield.

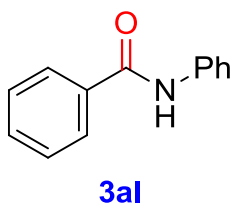
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.91 (t, *J* = 7.32, 3H), 1.35 (dd, *J*₁ = 15.04, *J*₂ = 5.24, 2H), 1.53-1.58 (m, 2H), 3.34 (dd, *J*₁ = 13.44, *J*₂ = 7.04, 2H), 7.31 (br, 1H), 7.42-7.50 (m, 2H), 7.56-7.60 (m, 1H), 8.28-8.30 (m, 2H),

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 13.7, 20.0, 31.3, 39.1, 128.4, 131.0, 133.4, 134.3, 162.1, 188.1.

HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C₁₄H₁₈N₂O₃ [M+Na]: 199.1210, found: 199.1214.

IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 2963, 2356, 1631, 1449, 1207, 947, 725.

N-phenylbenzamide (3al):



Yellow solid, 31% yield, M.P. 52°C.

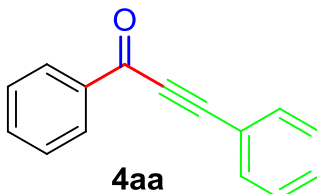
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.06-7.19 m, 1H), 7.27-7.23 (m, 2H), 7.45-7.49 (m, 3H), 7.56-7.58 (m, 2H), 7.78-7.81 (m, 3H),

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 120.2, 124.6, 127.0, 128.8, 129.1, 131.8, 135.0, 137.9, 165.8.

HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C₁₃H₁₁NO [M+Na]: 220.0743, found: 220.0733.

IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 3348, 1664, 1442, 1318, 1024, 685.

1,3-diphenylprop-2-yn-1-one (4aa):



White solid, 98% yield, M.P. 43°C.

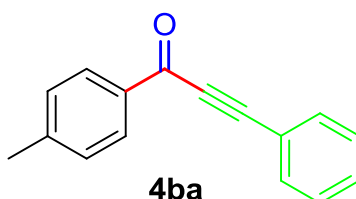
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.22-8.24(m, 2H), 7.61-7.70 (m, 3H), 7.26-7.54 (m, 5H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 86.9, 93.1, 120.1, 128.6, 128.7, 129.6, 130.8, 133.1, 134.1, 136.9, 178.0.

HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C₁₅H₁₁O [M+H]: 207.0804, found: 207.0804.

IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 2203, 1644, 1254, 1002, 755.

3-phenyl-1-(p-tolyl)prop-2-yn-1-one (4ba):



Yellow oil, 82% yield .

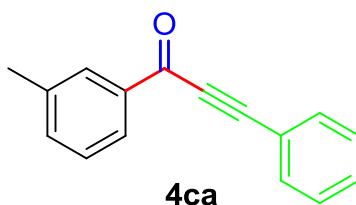
^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.03 (t, 2H), 7.59-7.62 (m, 2H), 7.31-7.42 (m, 3H), 7.18-7.24 (m, 2H), 2.36 (s, 3H),

^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 20.8, 85.9, 91.6, 119.2, 127.6, 128.3, 128.7, 129.6, 132.0, 144.2, 176.7.

HRMS (ESI) calcd. for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{13}\text{O}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]$: 221.0961, found: 221.0953.

IR (KBr, cm^{-1}) 2913, 2203, 1637, 1288, 1009, 765.

3-phenyl-1-(m-tolyl)prop-2-yn-1-one (4ca):



White solid, 96% yield, M.P. 56°C.

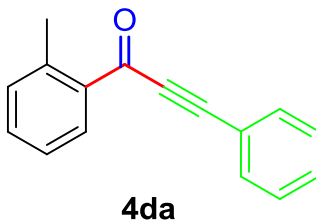
^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.93-7.96 (m, 2H), 7.58-7.61 (m, 2H), 7.17-7.42 (m, 5H), 2.36 (s, 3H),

^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 20.3, 86.0, 91.8, 119.2, 126.1, 127.5, 127.6, 128.7, 129.7, 132.0, 133.9, 135.9, 137.5,

HRMS (ESI) calcd. for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{13}\text{O}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]$: 221.0961, found: 221.0961.

IR (KBr, cm^{-1}) 2926, 2210, 1637, 1308, 1159, 725.

3-phenyl-1-(o-tolyl)prop-2-yn-1-one (4da):



Yellow oil, 63% yield .

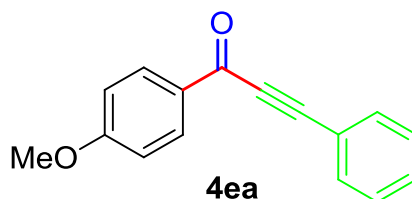
^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.22-8.26 (m, 1H), 7.58-7.60 (m, 2H), 7.29-7.40 (m, 5H), 7.19-7.22 (m, 1H), 2.60 (s, 3H),

^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 22.0, 88.4, 91.8, 120.4, 125.9, 128.6, 130.6, 132.2, 132.9, 132.9, 133.2, 135.8, 140.5,

HRMS (ESI) calcd. for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{13}\text{O}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]$: 221.0961, found: 221.0961.

IR (KBr, cm^{-1}) 2934, 2203, 1642, 1321, 1004, 725.

1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-phenylprop-2-yn-1-one (4ea):



White solid, 60% yield, M.P. 96°C.

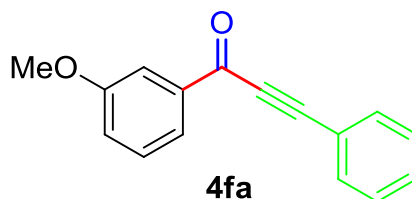
^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.18 (d, J = 8.84, 2H), 7.66-7.68 (m, 2H), 7.40-7.49 (m, 3H), 6.98 (d, J = 8.84, 2H), 3.90 (s, 3H),

^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 55.6, 86.9, 92.3, 113.9, 120.4, 128.7, 130.3, 130.6, 132.0, 133.0, 164.5, 176.7.

HRMS (ESI) calcd. for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{15}\text{O}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]$: 251.1073, found: 251.1076.

IR (KBr, cm^{-1}) 2203, 1630, 1487, 1254, 1004, 750.

1-(3-methoxyphenyl)-3-phenylprop-2-yn-1-one (4fa):



Yellow oil, 83% yield .

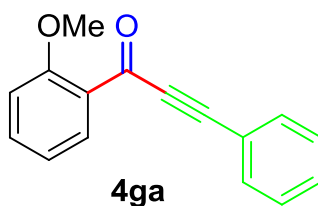
^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.85-7.87 (m, 1H), 7.67-7.71 (m, 3H), 7.40-7.48 (m, 4H), 7.18-7.19 (m, 1H), 3.88 (s, 3H),

^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 55.5, 87.0, 93.0, 112.9, 120.1, 121.0, 122.9, 128.7, 129.7, 130.8, 133.1, 138.3, 159.8,

HRMS (ESI) calcd. for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{15}\text{O}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]$: 251.1073, found: 251.1076.

IR (KBr, cm^{-1}) 2203, 1634, 1521, 1302, 1159, 757.

1-(2-methoxyphenyl)-3-phenylprop-2-yn-1-one (4ga):



Yellow oil, 71% yield .

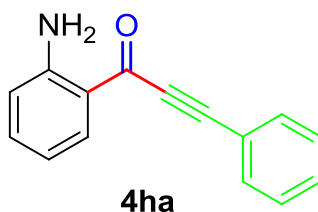
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.07-8.09 (m, 1H), 7.37-7.63 (m, 6H), 7.00-7.07 (m, 2H), 3.96 (s, 3H),

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 56.0, 89.2, 91.6, 112.3, 120.3, 120.7, 126.8, 128.6, 130.5, 132.6, 133.0, 135.1, 159.8.

HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C₁₇H₁₅O₂ [M+H]⁺: 251.1073, found: 251.1076.

IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 2203, 1630, 1268, 1016, 757.

1-(2-aminophenyl)-3-phenylprop-2-yn-1-one (4ha):



Yellowish solid, 90% yield, M.P. 65°C.

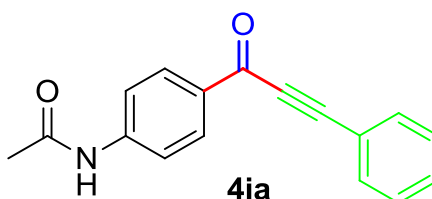
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.17-8.19 (m, 1H), 7.65 (d, *J* = 6.72, 2H), 7.40-7.42 (m, 4H), 6.65-6.74 (m, 2H), 6.39 (br, 2H),

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 87.2, 92.3, 116.1, 116.8, 118.9, 120.6, 128.6, 130.4, 132.8, 134.5, 135.3, 151.1, 179.5.

HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C₁₅H₁₂NO [M+H]⁺: 222.0913, found: 222.0911.

IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 3431, 3329, 2196, 1618, 1220, 743.

N-(4-(3-phenylpropioloyl)phenyl)acetamide (4ia):



White solid, 39% yield, M.P. 169°C.

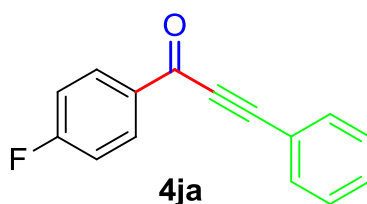
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.05-8.12 (m, 3H), 7.56-7.67 (m, 4H), 7.19-7.42 (m, 3H), 2.17 (s, 3H),

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 23.8, 85.8, 92.2, 117.8, 119.0, 127.7, 129.8, 130.1, 131.6, 132.0, 142.6, 167.9, 175.9.

HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C₁₇H₁₄NO₂ [M+H]: 264.1019, found: 264.1024.

IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 2947, 2210, 1609, 1426, 1241, 1036, 750, 538.

1-(4-fluorophenyl)-3-phenylprop-2-yn-1-one (4ja):



Yellow solid, 78% yield, M.P. 45°C.

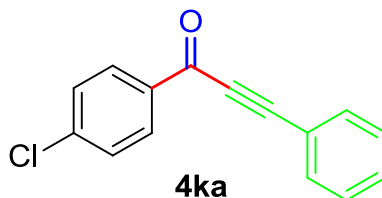
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.23-8.28 (m, 2H), 7.67-7.70 (m, 2H), 7.41-7.56 (m, 3H), 7.17-7.22 (m, 2H),

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 86.6, 93.4, 115.7, 115.9, 119.9, 128.7, 130.9, 132.2, 132.3, 133.0, 133.4, 133.4, 165.2, 167.7, 176.3.

HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C₁₅H₁₀FO [M+H]: 225.0710, found: 225.0705.

IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 2210, 1630, 1222, 1028, 845, 730.

1-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-phenylprop-2-yn-1-one (4ka):



White solid, 68% yield, M.P. 105°C.

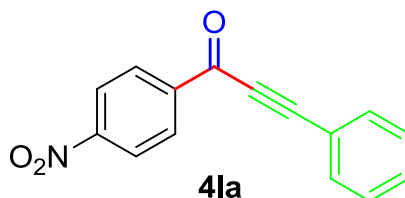
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.15-8.17 (m, 2H), 7.68-7.70 (m, 3H), 7.42-7.7.51 (m, 5H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 86.6, 93.6, 12.0, 128.7, 129.0, 130.9, 131.0, 133.1, 135.3, 140.7 176.7.

HRMS (ESI) calcd. for $C_{15}H_{10}ClO$ $[M+H]^+$: 241.0415, found: 241.0407.

IR (KBr, cm^{-1}) 2203, 1657, 1213, 1002, 743, 675.

1-(4-nitrophenyl)-3-phenylprop-2-yn-1-one (4la):



Yellowish solid, 92% yield, M.P. 134°C.

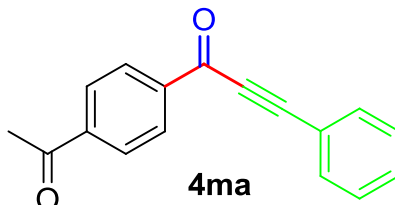
1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 8.30 (s, 4H), 7.63-7.66 (m, 2H), 7.37-7.47 (m, 3H).

^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 85.5, 94.4, 118.4, 122.9, 127.9, 129.4, 130.4, 132.3, 140.0, 149.9, 174.9.

HRMS (ESI) calcd. for $C_{15}H_9NO_3$ $[M+H]^+$: 251.0543, found: 251.0533.

IR (KBr, cm^{-1}) 2203, 1630, 1288, 1097, 764.

1-(4-acetylphenyl)-3-phenylprop-2-yn-1-one (4ma):



White solid, 38% yield, M.P. 82°C.

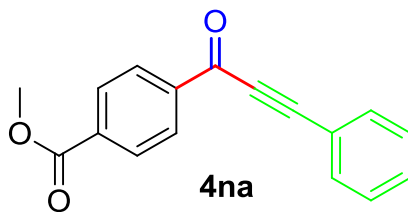
1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 8.27-8.29 (m, 2H), 8.17-8.19 (m, 2H), 7.70-7.72 (m, 2H), 7.43-7.54 (m, 3H), 3.97 (s, 3H).

^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 52.5, 86.8, 94.2, 119.8, 128.8, 129.4, 129.8, 131.1, 133.2, 134.7, 139.9, 166.1, 177.2.

HRMS (ESI) calcd. for $C_{17}H_{12}NaO_2$ $[M+Na]^+$: 271.0730, found: 271.0726.

IR (KBr, cm^{-1}) 2203, 1623, 1288, 1207, 1014, 757.

methyl 4-(3-phenylpropioloyl)benzoate (4na):



White solid, 47% yield, M.P. 79°C.

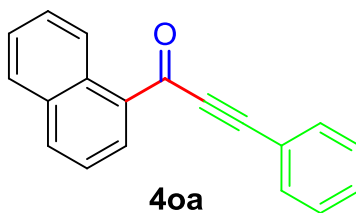
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.32 (d, *J* = 8.48, 2H), 8.10 (d, *J* = 8.48, 2H), 7.70-7.72 (m, 2H), 7.43-7.54 (m, 3H), 2.68 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 27.0, 86.8, 94.3, 119.8, 128.5, 128.8, 129.7, 131.1, 133.2, 139.9, 140.8, 177.1, 197.4.

HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C₁₇H₁₂NaO₃ [M+Na]: 287.0679, found: 287.0680.

IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 2210, 1734, 1637, 1281, 1111, 702.

1-(naphthalen-1-yl)-3-phenylprop-2-yn-1-one (4oa):



Yellow solid, 82% yield, M.P. 54°C.

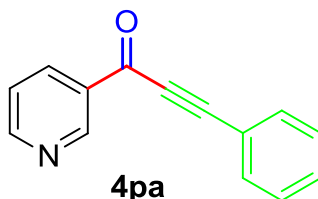
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.15 (d, *J* = 8.68, 1H), 8.57 (d, *J* = 1.12, 1H), 8.01 (d, *J* = 8.16, 1H), 7.83 (d, *J* = 8.12, 1H), 7.18-7.63 (m, 8H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 88.5, 91.7, 120.4, 124.5, 126.0, 126.8, 128.6, 128.7, 129.0, 130.6, 130.8, 133.0, 133.0.

HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C₁₉H₁₃O [M+Na]: 257.0961, found: 257.0951.

IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 2196, 1657, 1268, 1077, 804.

3-phenyl-1-(pyridin-3-yl)prop-2-yn-1-one (4pa):



White solid, 50% yield, M.P. 71 °C.

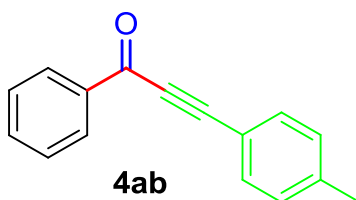
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.37 (d, *J* = 1.64, 1H), 8.77 (t, *J* = 1.52, 1H), 8.35 (d, *J* = 7.96, 1H), 7.44-7.46 (m, 2H), 7.34-7.44 (m, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 86.3, 94.8, 119.6, 123.6, 128.8 131.3, 132.2, 133.5, 136.2 151.4, 154.2, 176.4.

HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C₁₄H₉NNaO [M+Na]: 230.0576, found: 230.0578.

IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 2203, 1650, 1302, 1220, 1036, 716.

1-phenyl-3-(p-tolyl)prop-2-yn-1-one (4ab):



Yellow solid, 97% yield, M.P. 38 °C.

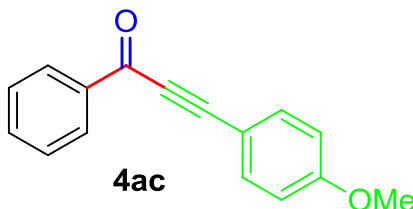
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.14-8.17(m, 2H), 7.43-7.58 (m, 5H), 7.15-7.19 (m, 2H), 2.33 (s, 3H),

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 20.8, 85.8, 92.8, 116.0, 127.6, 128.5, 128.5, 132.1, 133.0, 136.0, 140.5, 177.1.

HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C₁₆H₁₃O [M+H]: 221.0961, found: 221.0953.

IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 2203, 1637, 1275, 1008, 811, 702.

3-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1-phenylprop-2-yn-1-one (4ac):



White solid, 93% yield, M.P. 64 °C.

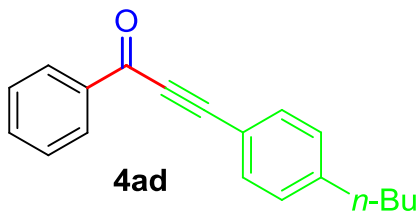
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.21-8.23 (m, 2H), 7.50-7.66 (m, 5H), 6.92-6.94 (m, 2H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 1.63 (*J*₁ = 9.44, *J*₂ = 7.64, 2H), 1.33-1.38 (m, 2H), 0.93 (*J* = 7.32, 3H).

^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 55.5, 86.9, 94.3, 111.9, 114.4, 128.6, 129.5, 133.9, 135.2, 137.1, 161.8, 178.1.

HRMS (ESI) calcd. for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{13}\text{O}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]$: 237.0910, found: 237.0906.

IR (KBr, cm^{-1}) 2920, 2203, 1657, 1288, 1002, 839, 689.

3-(4-butylphenyl)-1-phenylprop-2-yn-1-one (4ad):



Yellowish solid, 65% yield, M.P. 53°C.

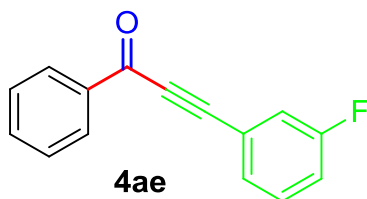
^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.2.1-8.24 (m, 2H), 7.49-7.64 (m, 5H), 7.22-7.25 (m, 2H), 2.65 (t, $J = 7.84$, 2H), 1.63 ($J_1 = 9.44$, $J_2 = 7.64$, 2H), 1.33-1.38 (m, 2H), 0.93 ($J = 7.32$, 3H).

^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 13.9, 22.3, 33.2 35.8, 86.8, 93.9, 117.2, 128.6, 128.9, 129.6, 133.2, 134.0, 137.0, 146.5.

HRMS (ESI) calcd. for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{19}\text{O}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]$: 263.1430, found: 263.1440.

IR (KBr, cm^{-1}) 2926, 2203, 1644, 1288, 1009, 695.

3-(3-fluorophenyl)-1-phenylprop-2-yn-1-one (4ae):



White solid, 95% yield, M.P. 48°C.

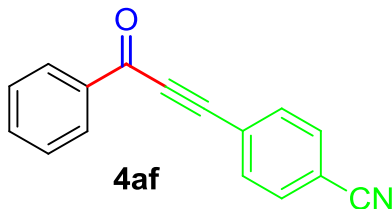
^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.12-8.15 (m, 2H), 7.28-7.59 (m, 6H), 7.12-7.15 (m, 1H).

^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 86.1, 90.0, 90.1, 117.1, 117.3, 118.5, 118.8, 120.9, 121.0, 127.7, 127.9, 127.9, 128.6, 129.4, 129.5, 133.3, 135.7, 160.0, 162.5, 176.7.

HRMS (ESI) calcd. for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{10}\text{FO}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]$: 225.0710, found: 225.0709.

IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 2933, 2203, 1657, 1234, 1018, 784, 685.

4-(3-oxo-3-phenylprop-1-yn-1-yl)benzonitrile (4af):



Yellowish solid, 96% yield, M.P. 137°C.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.8.19-8.21 (m, 2H), 7.65-7.79 (m, 5H), 7.52-7.56 (m, 2H).

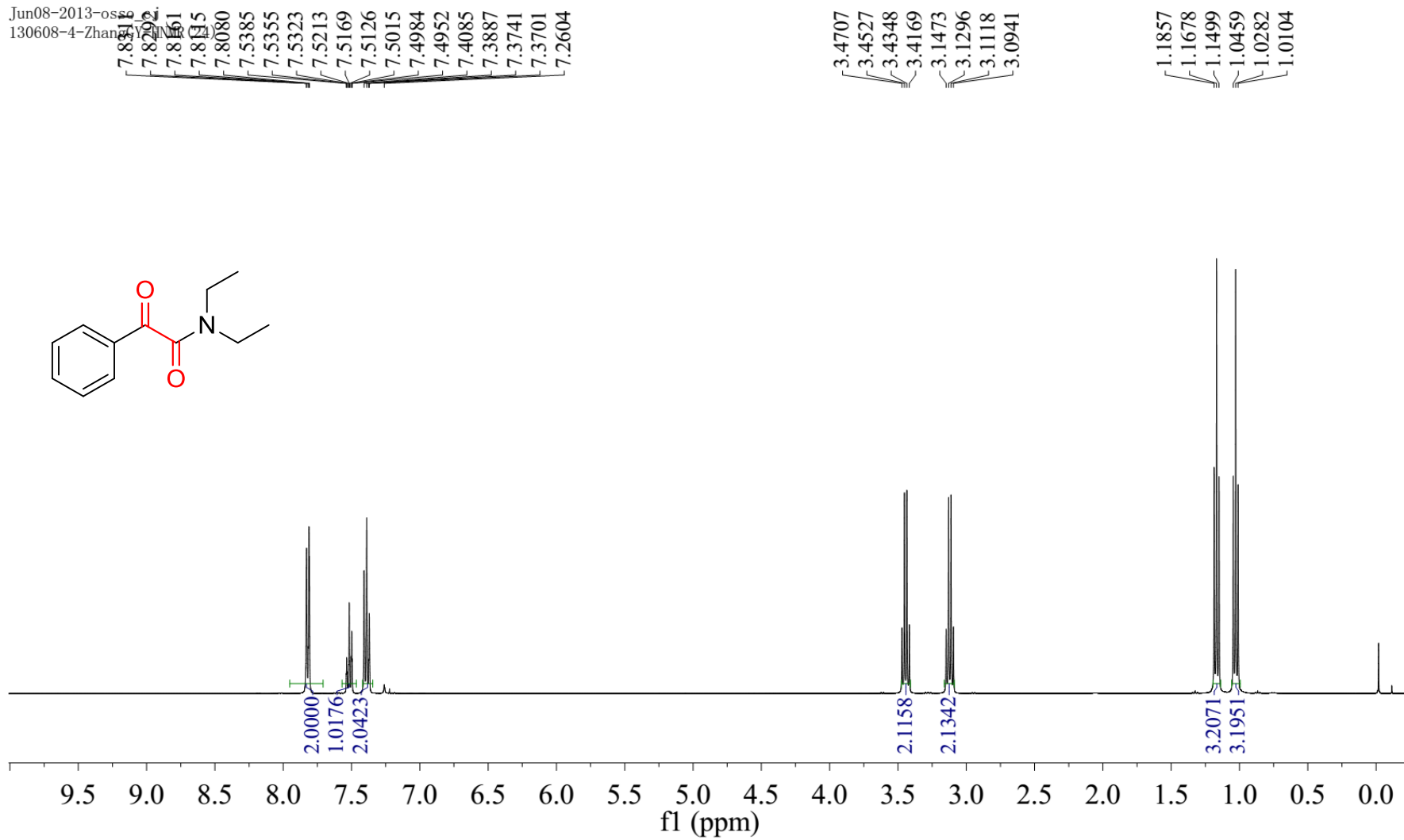
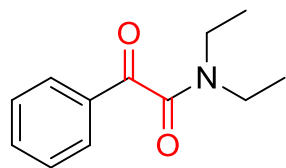
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 89.4, 89.6, 114.1, 117.9, 125.0, 128.8, 129.6, 132.3, 133.3, 134.6, 136.5, 177.5.

HRMS (ESI) calcd. for C₁₆H₁₉NO [M+Na]: 254.0720; found: 254.0721.

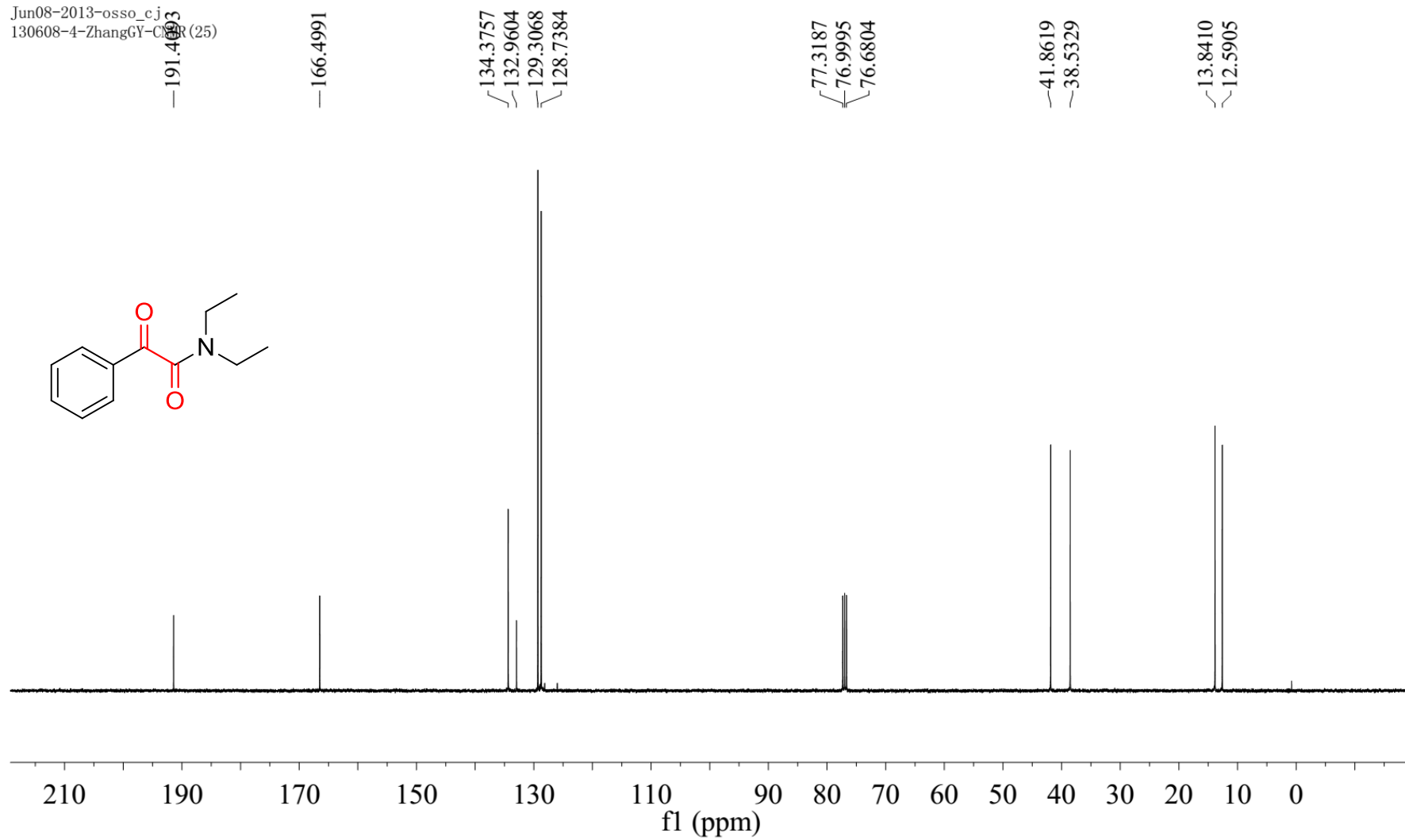
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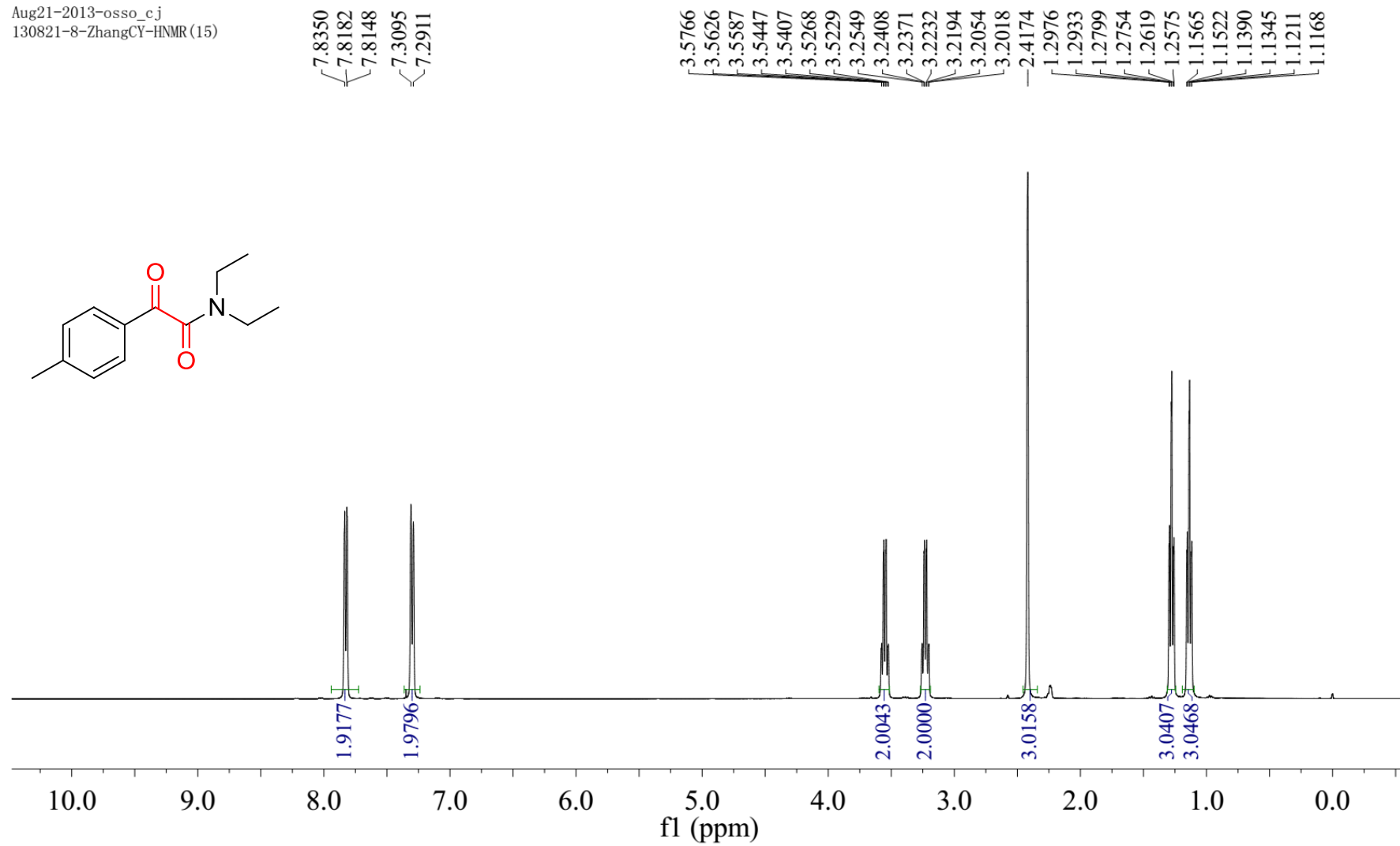
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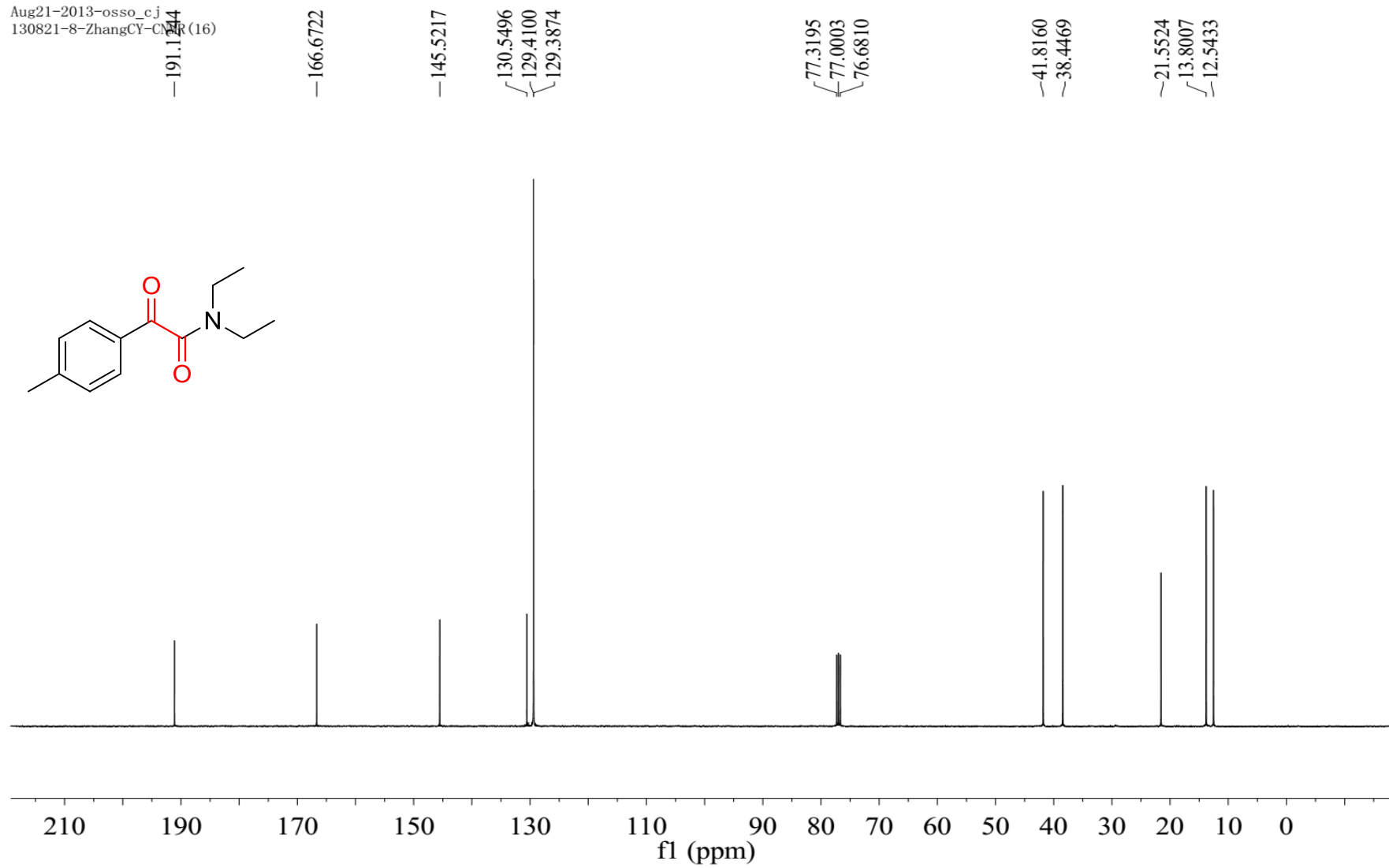
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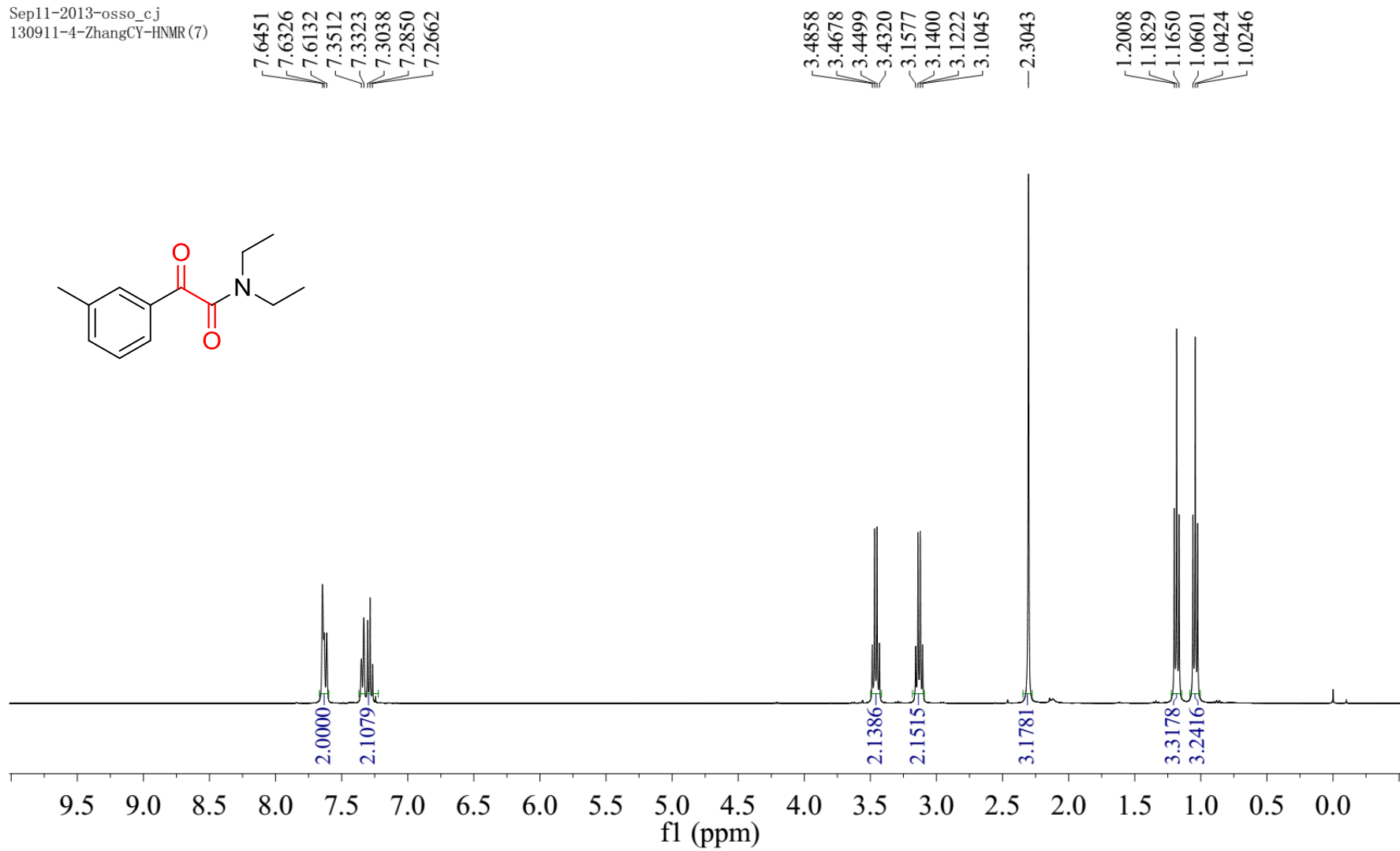
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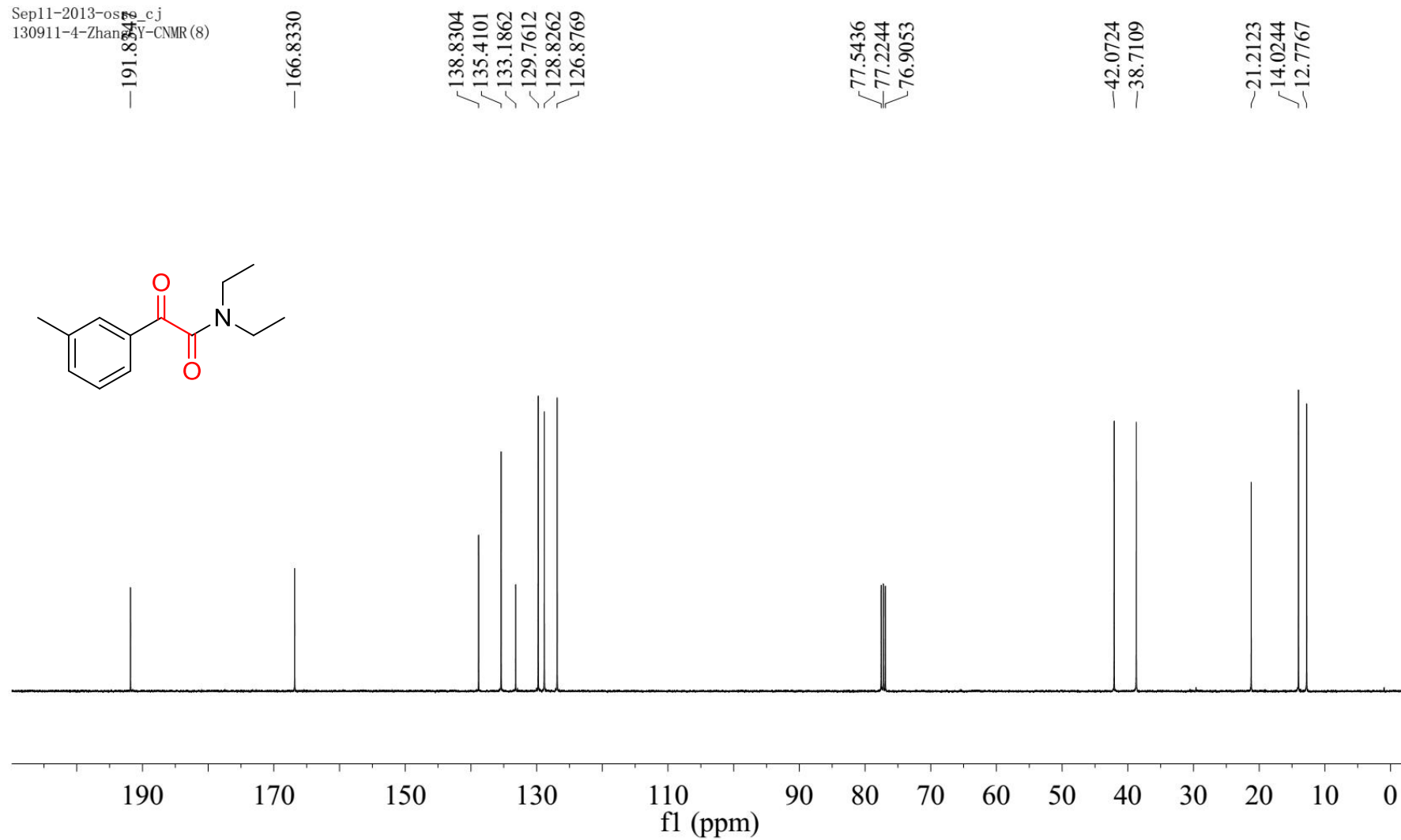
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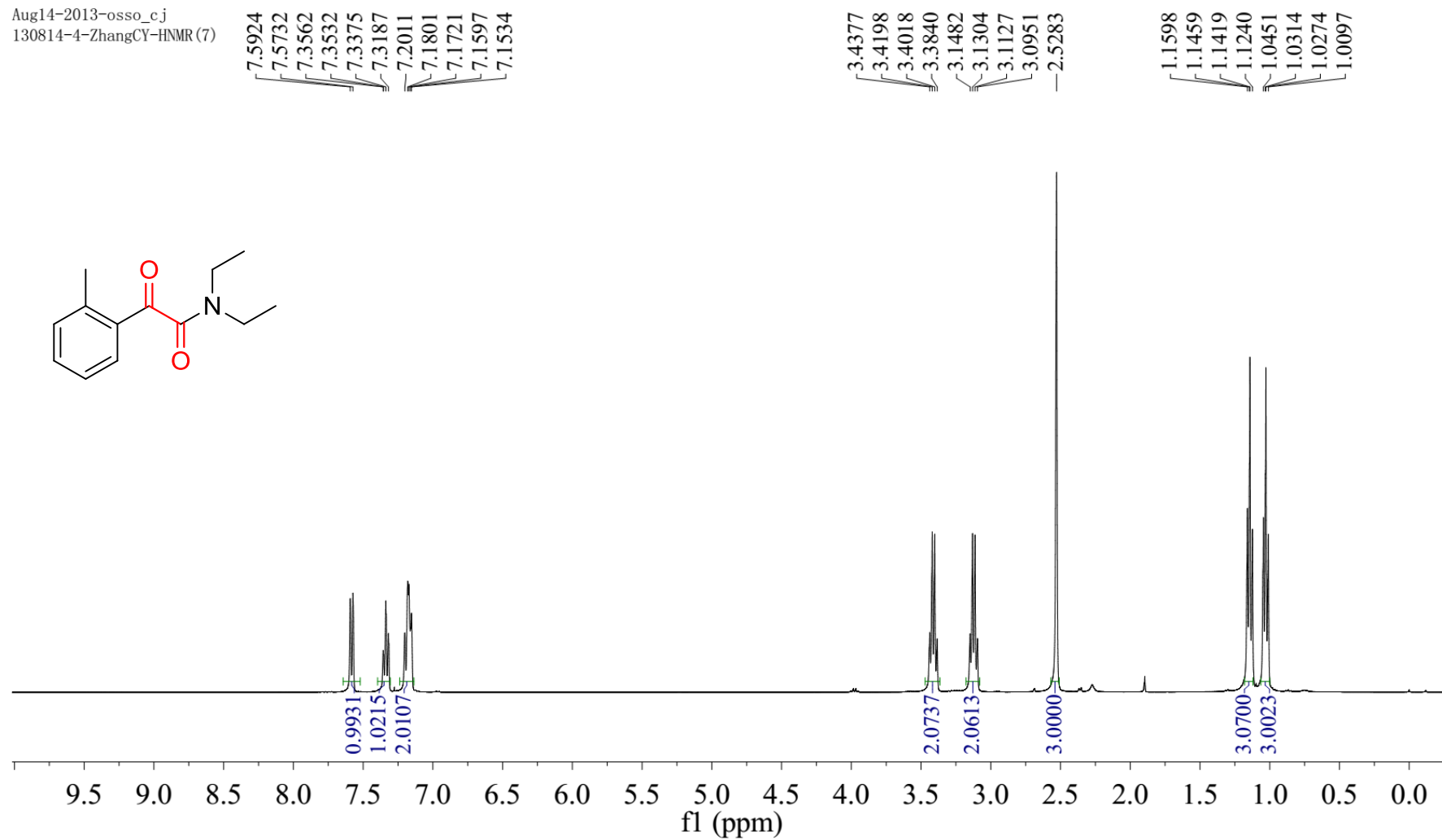
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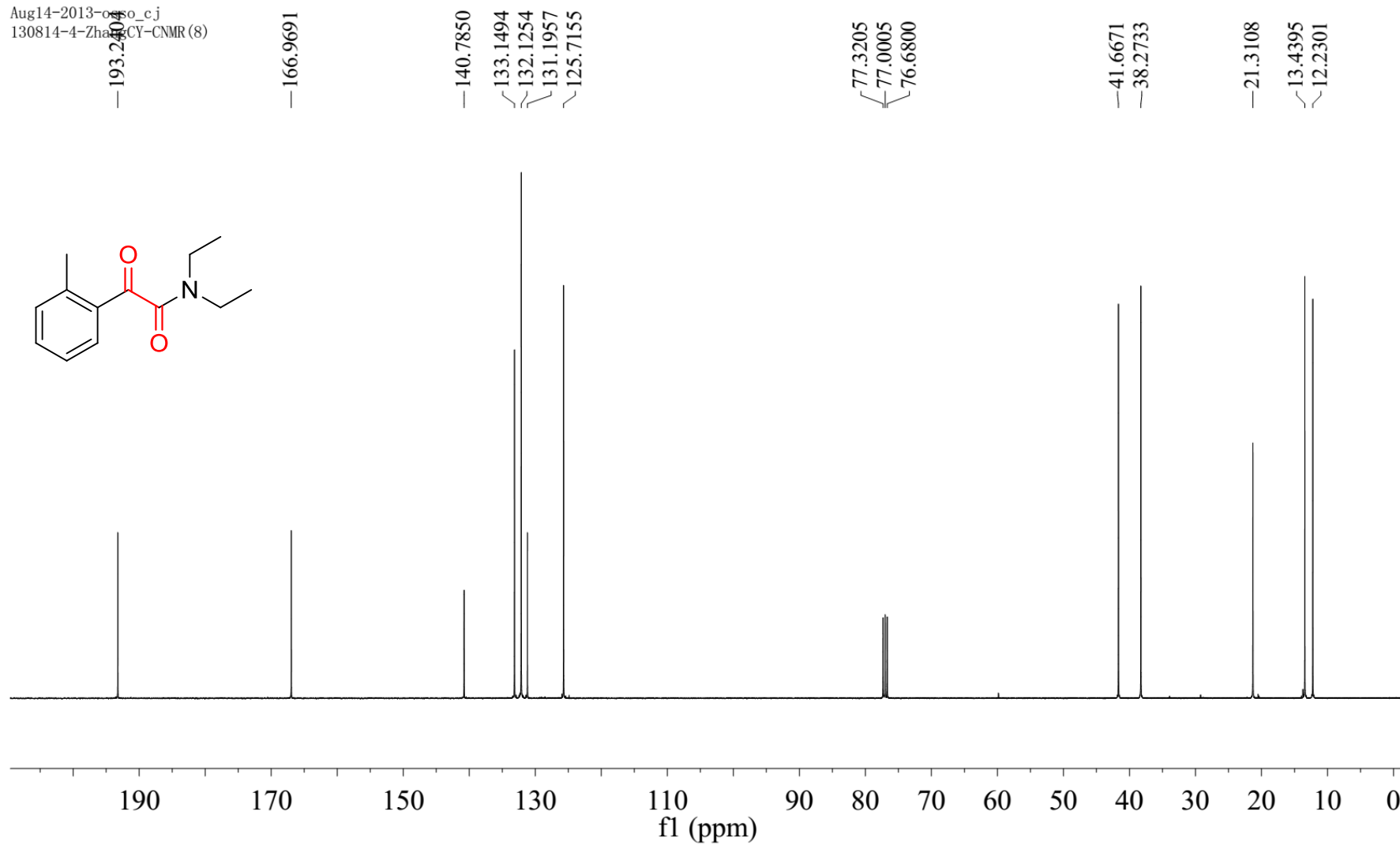
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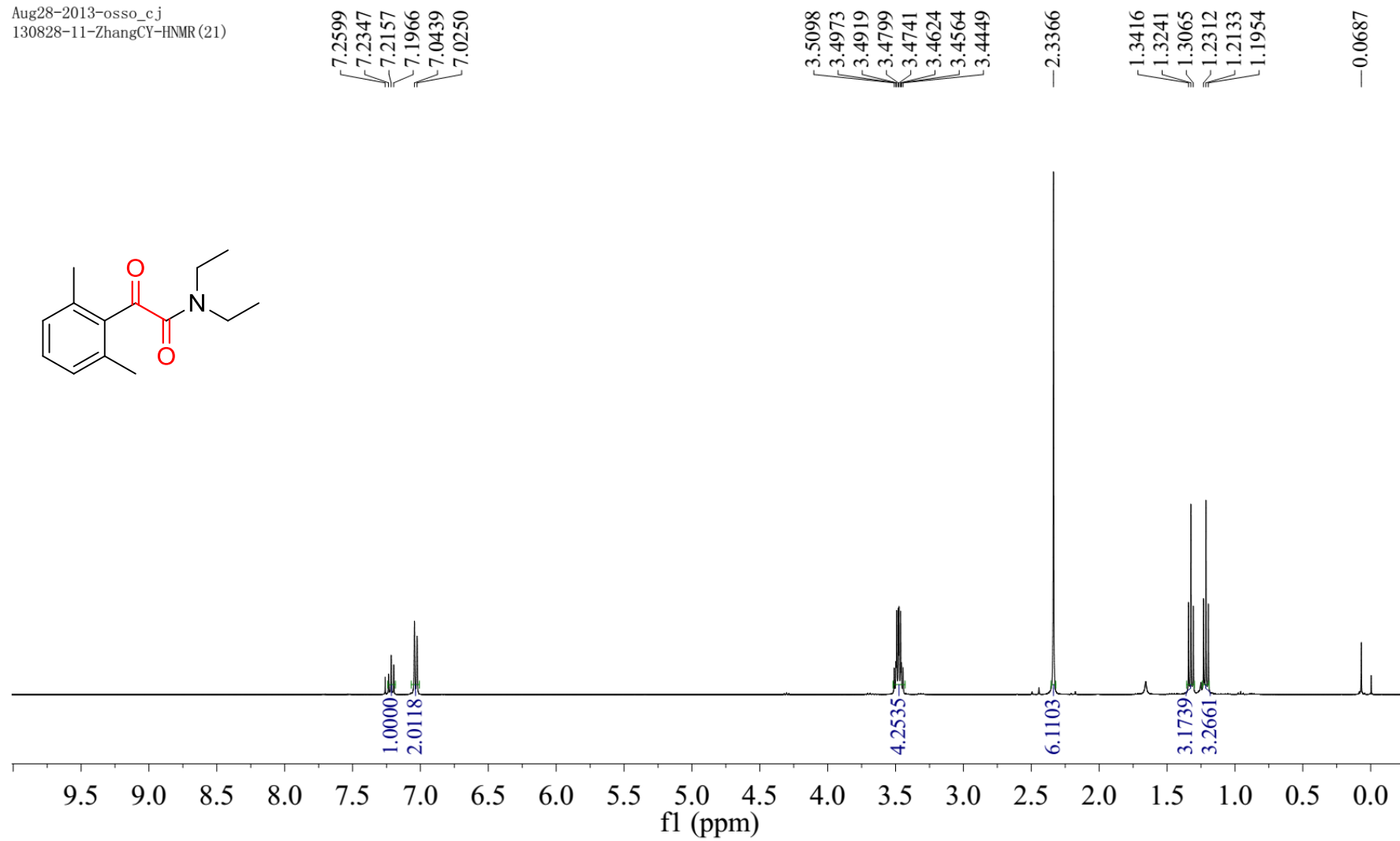
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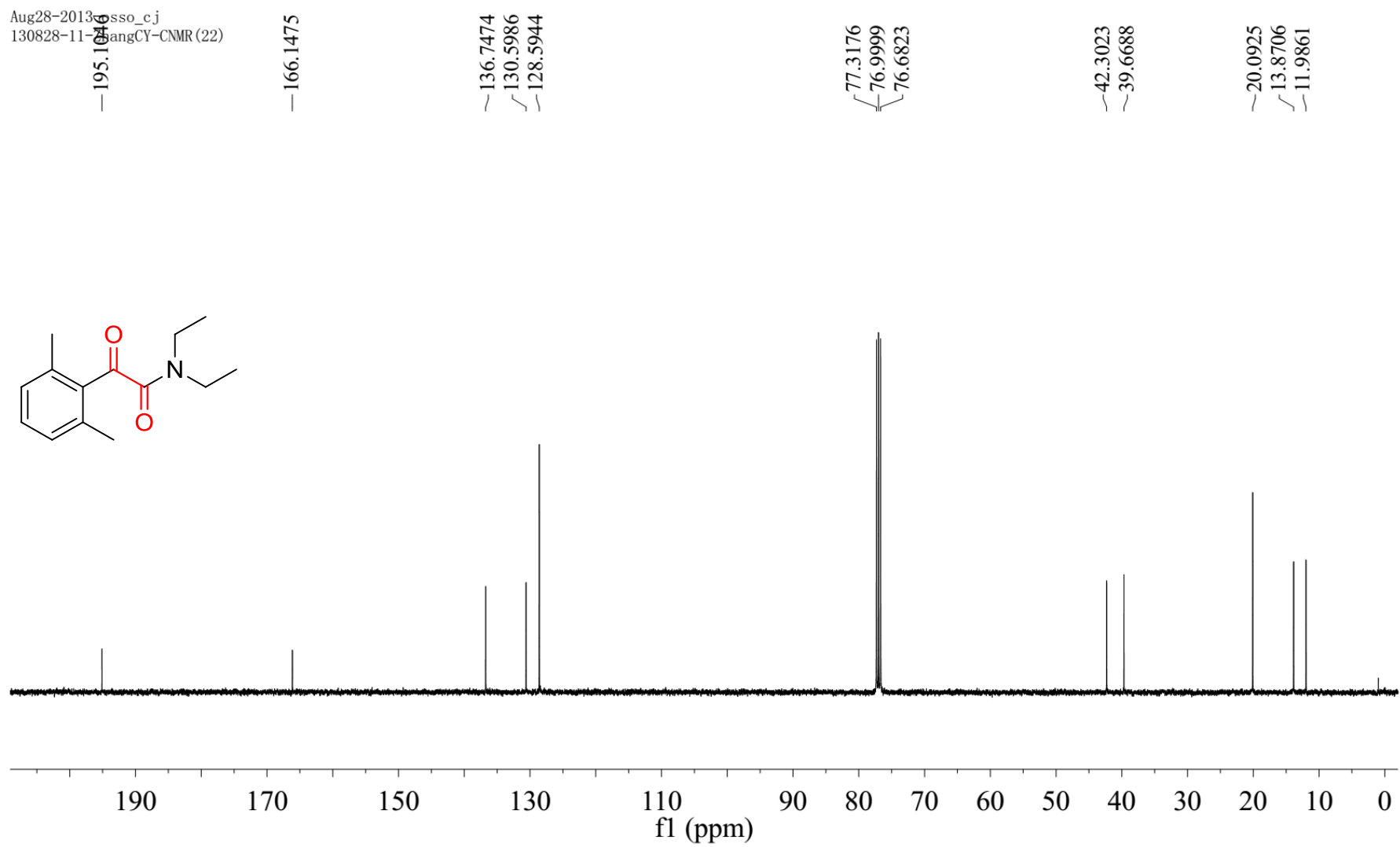
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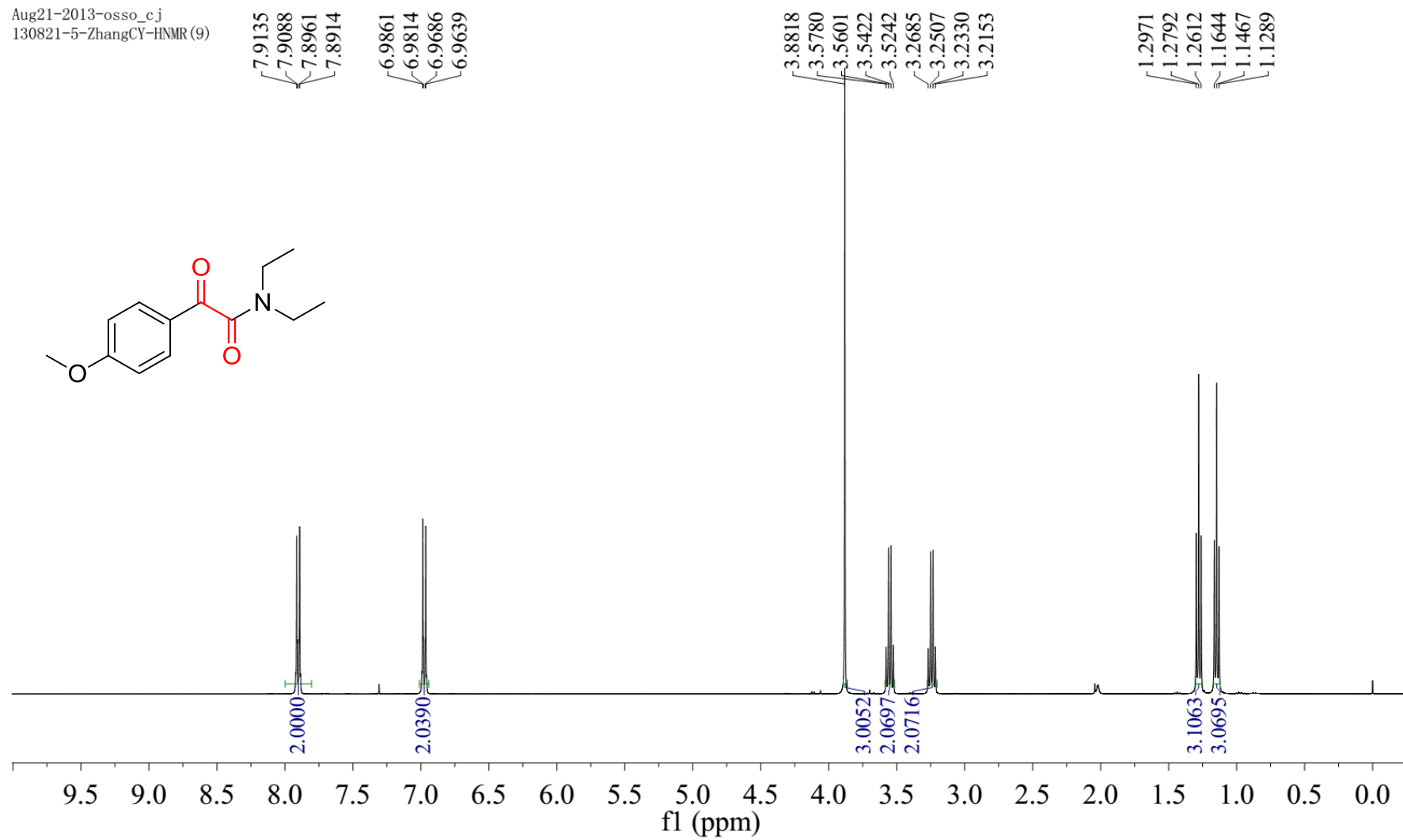
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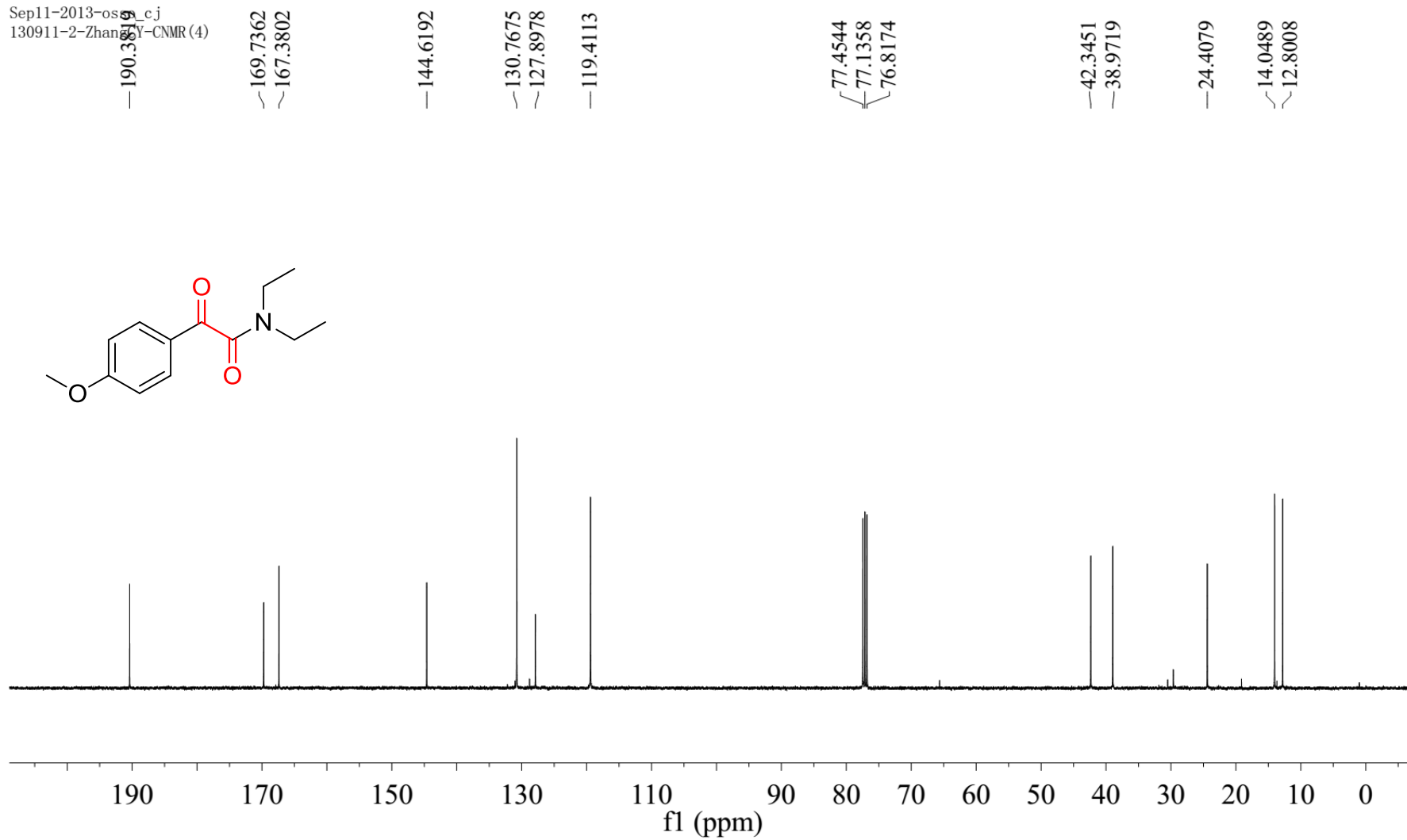
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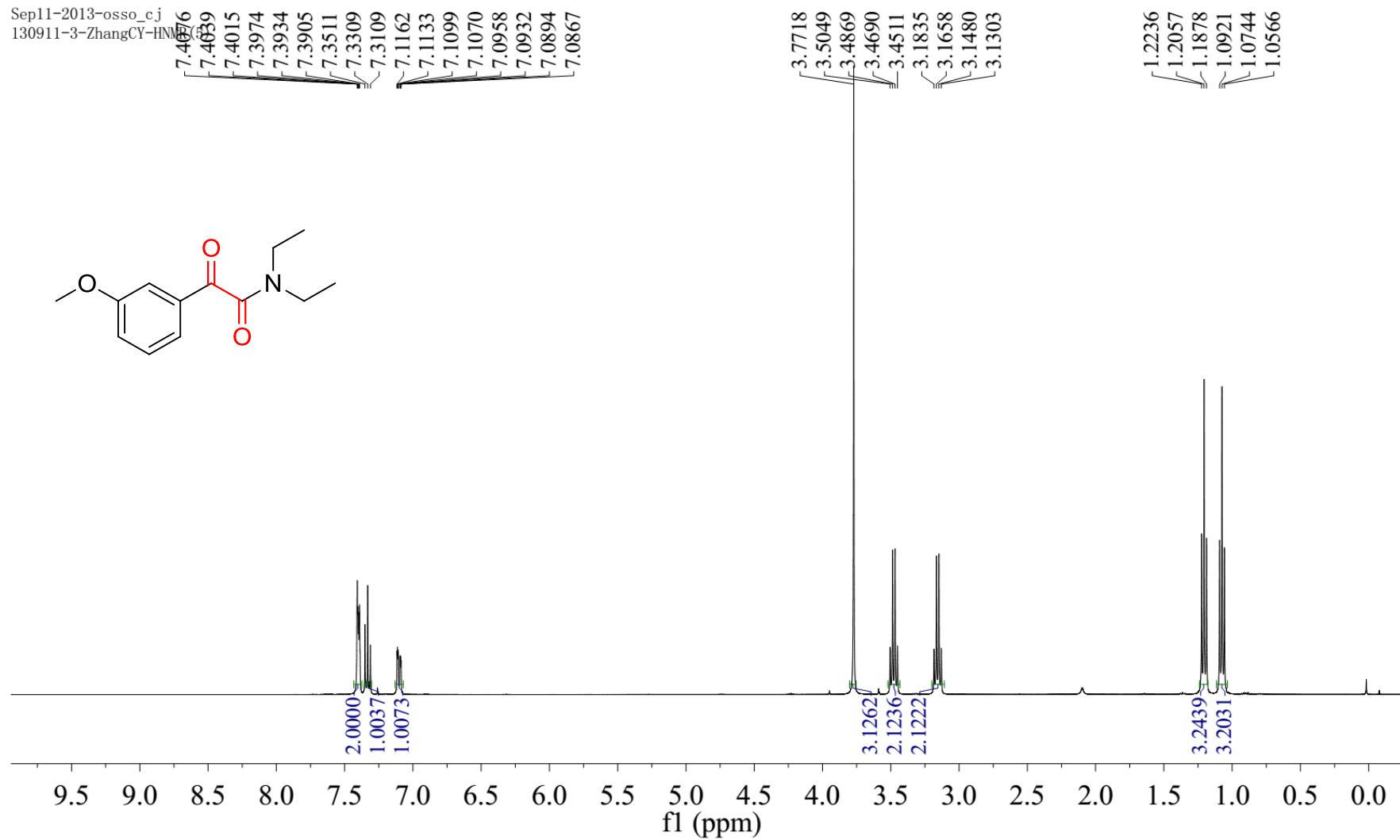
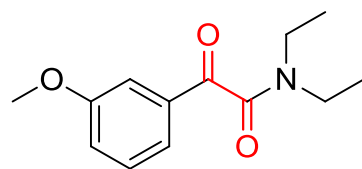
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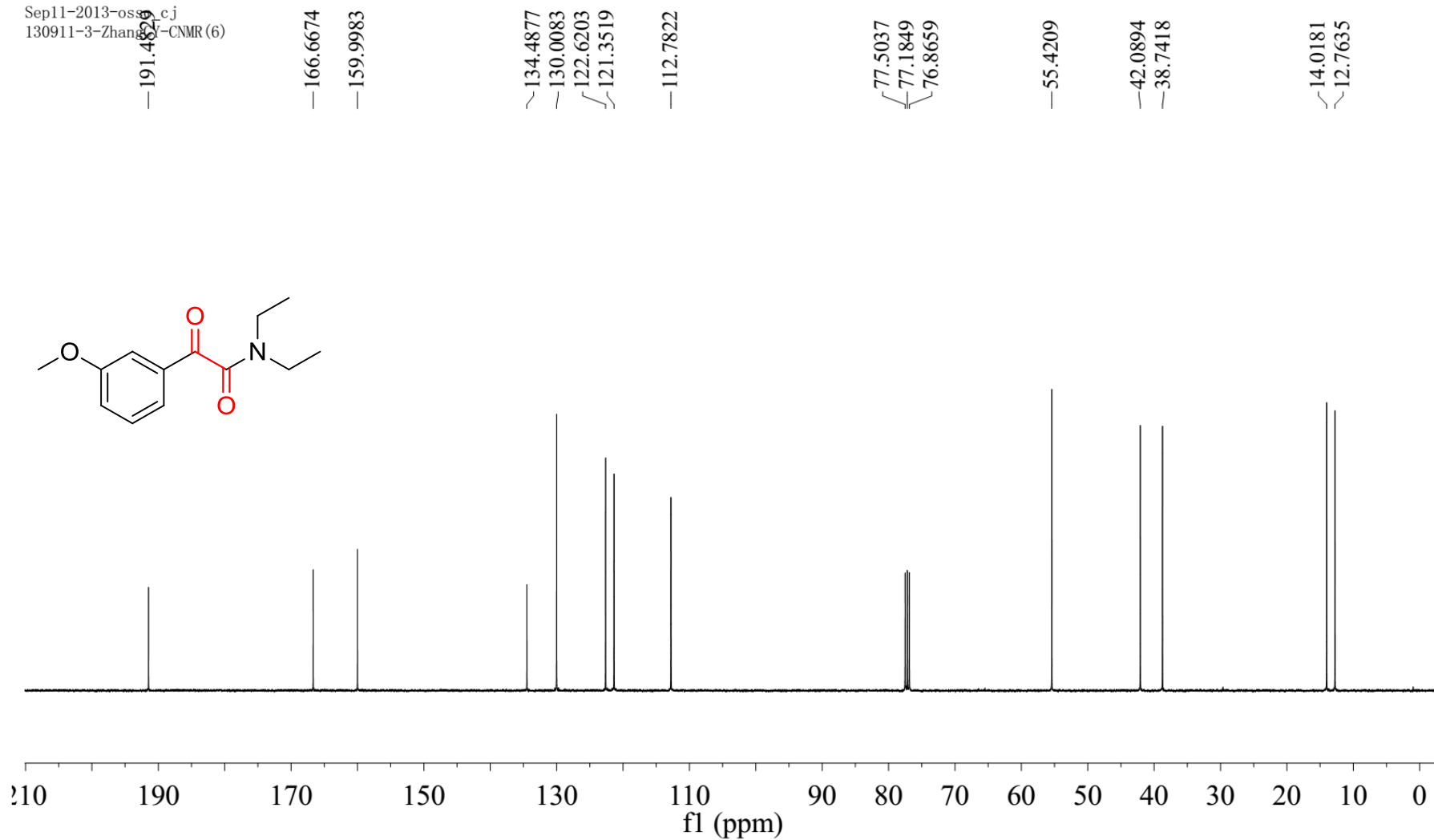
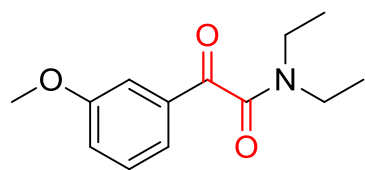
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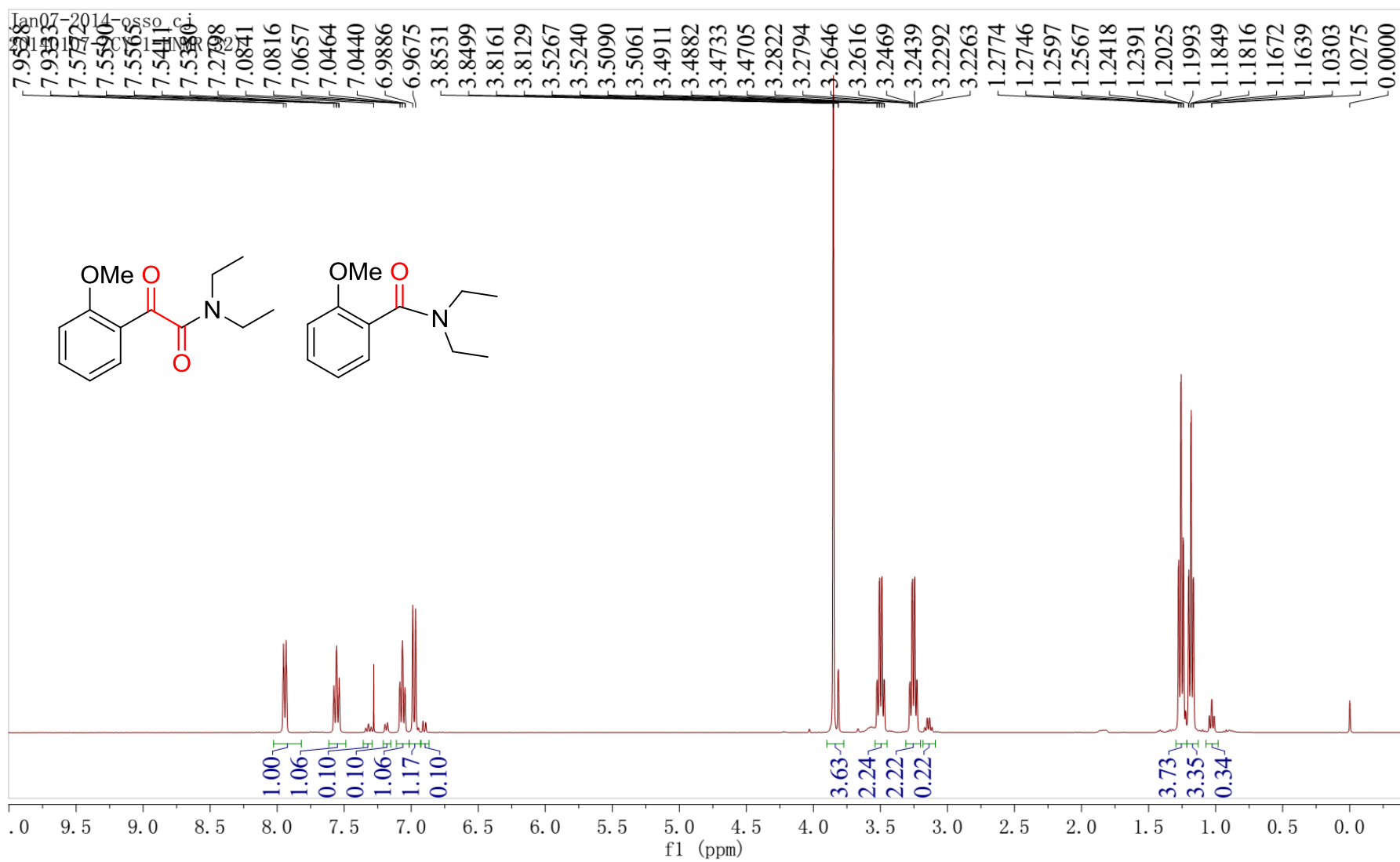


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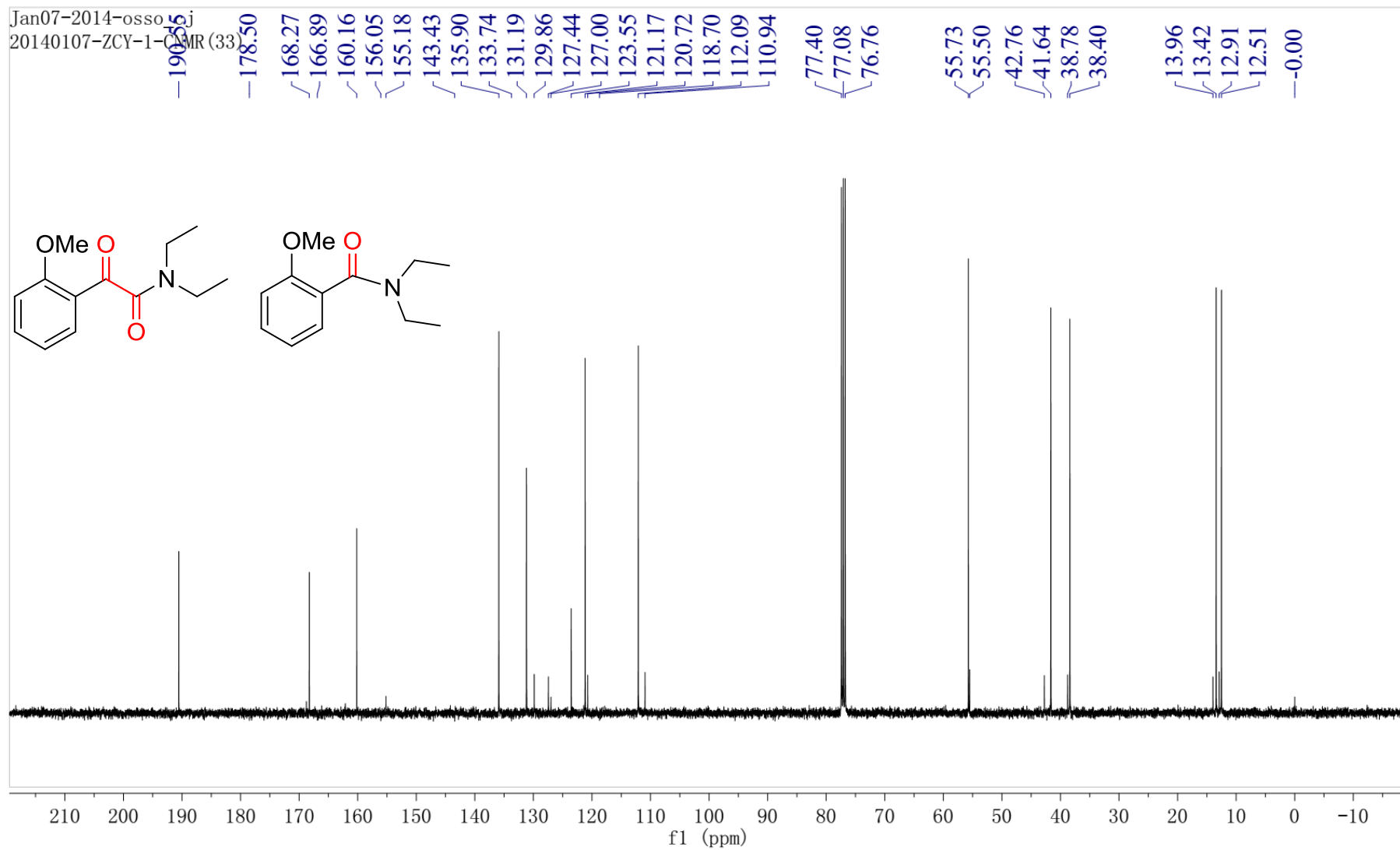


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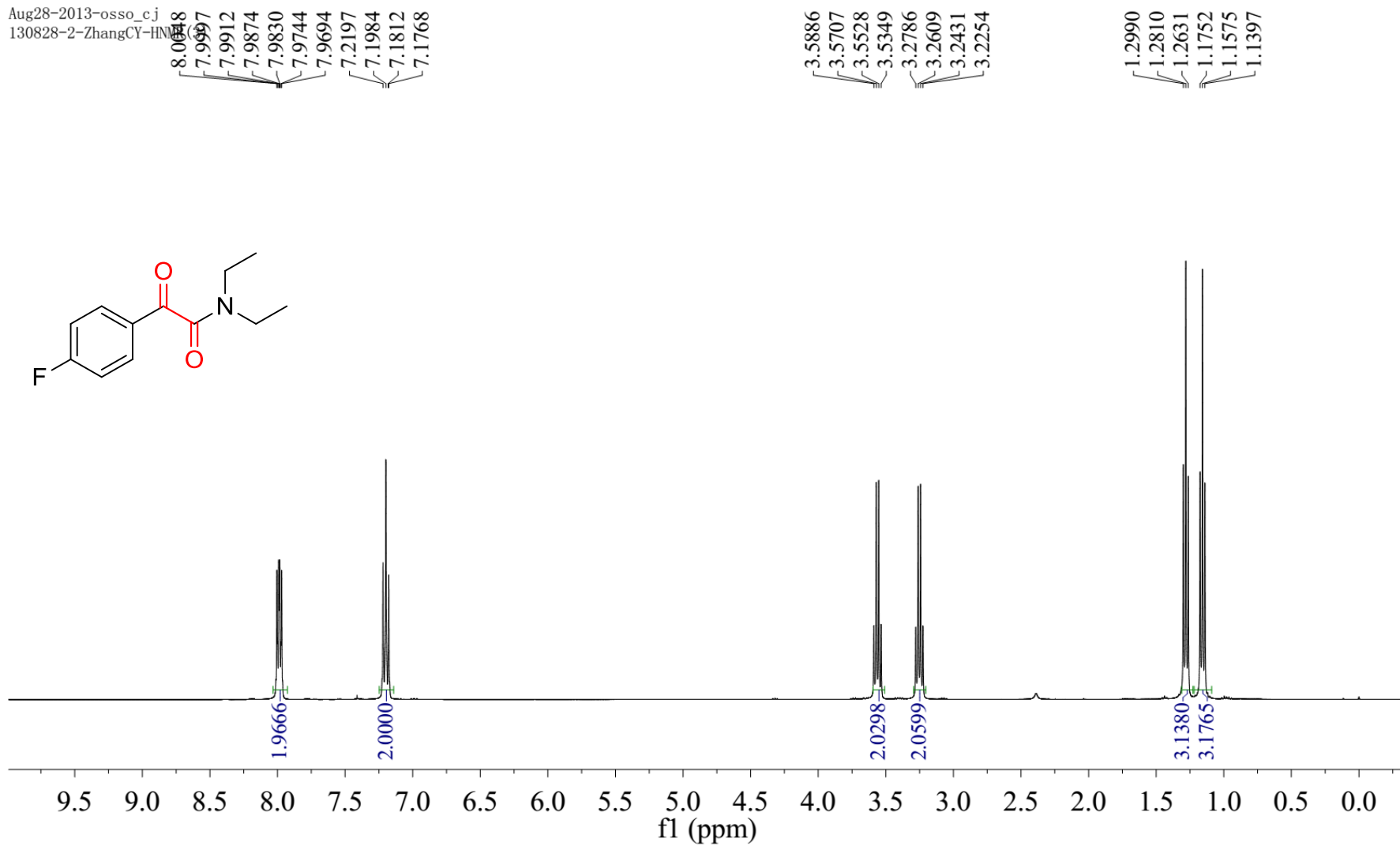
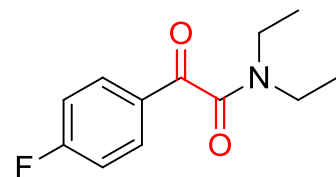




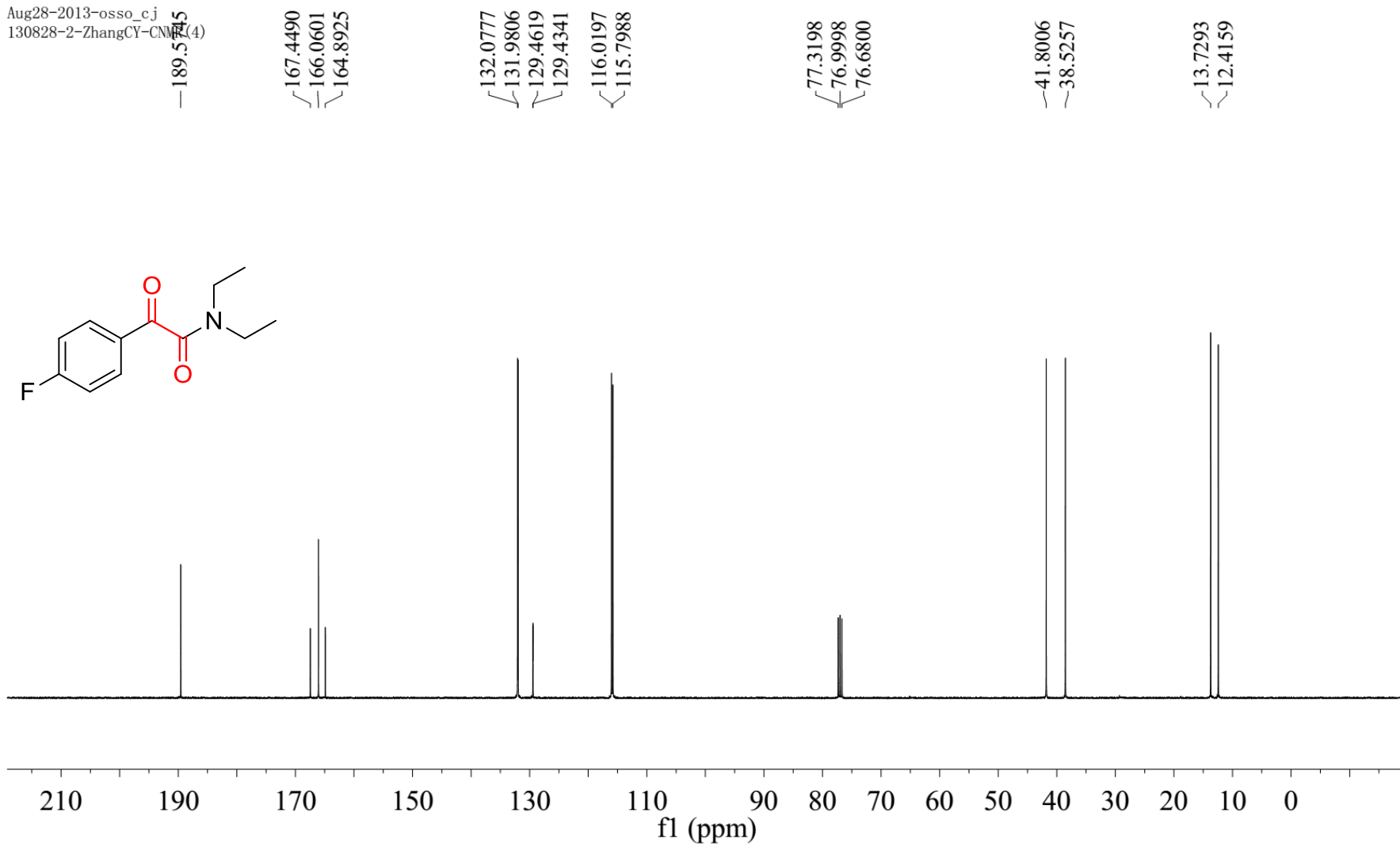
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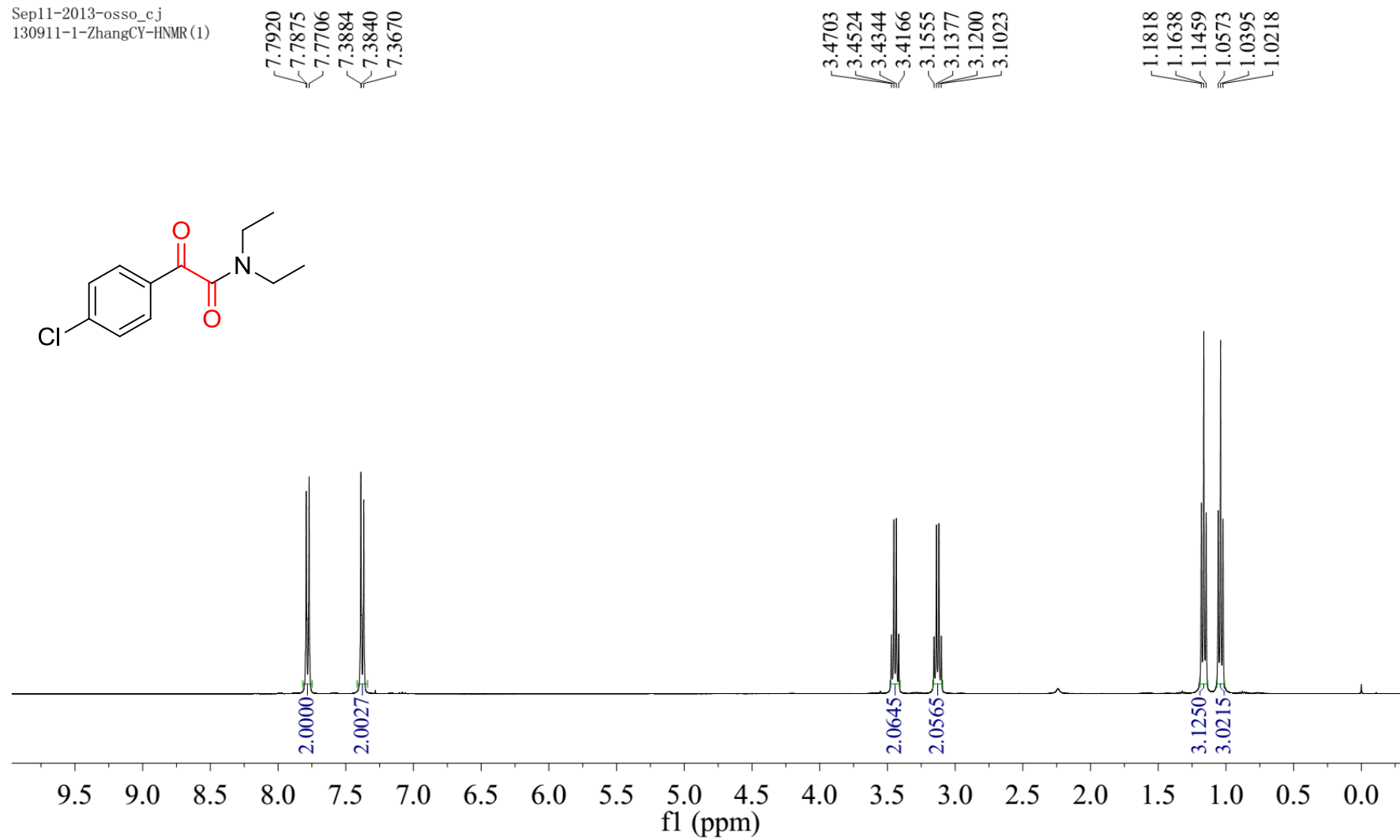
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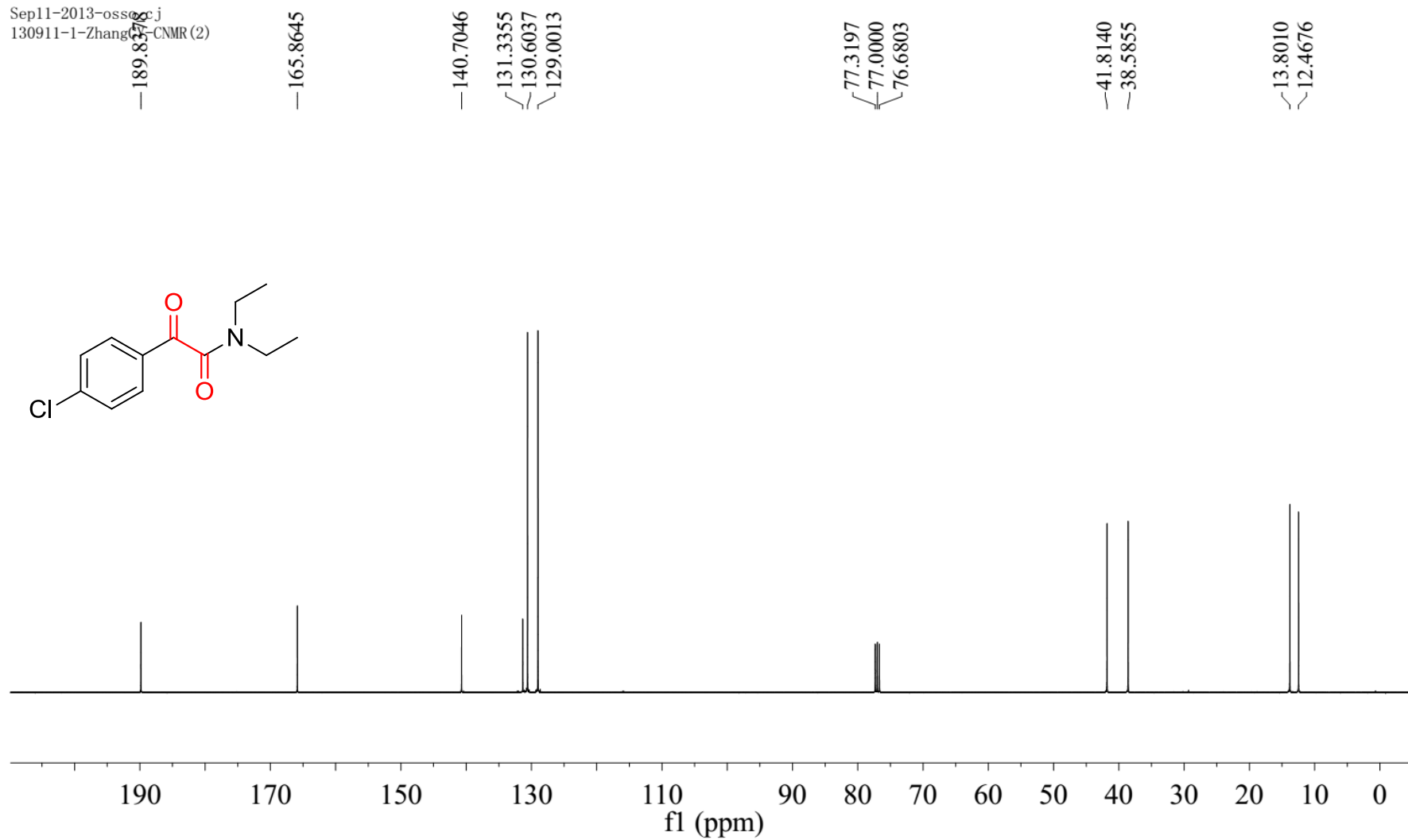
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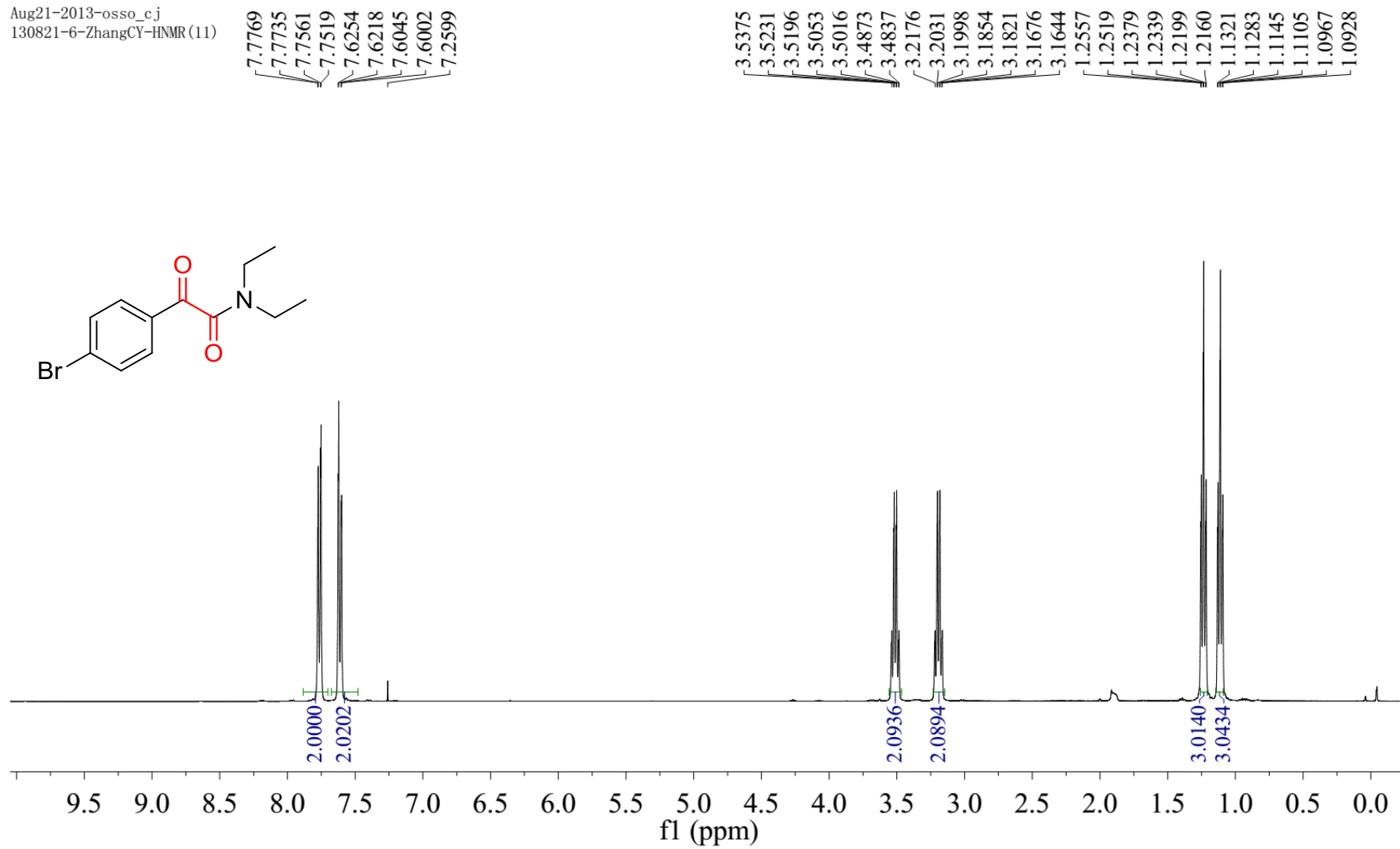
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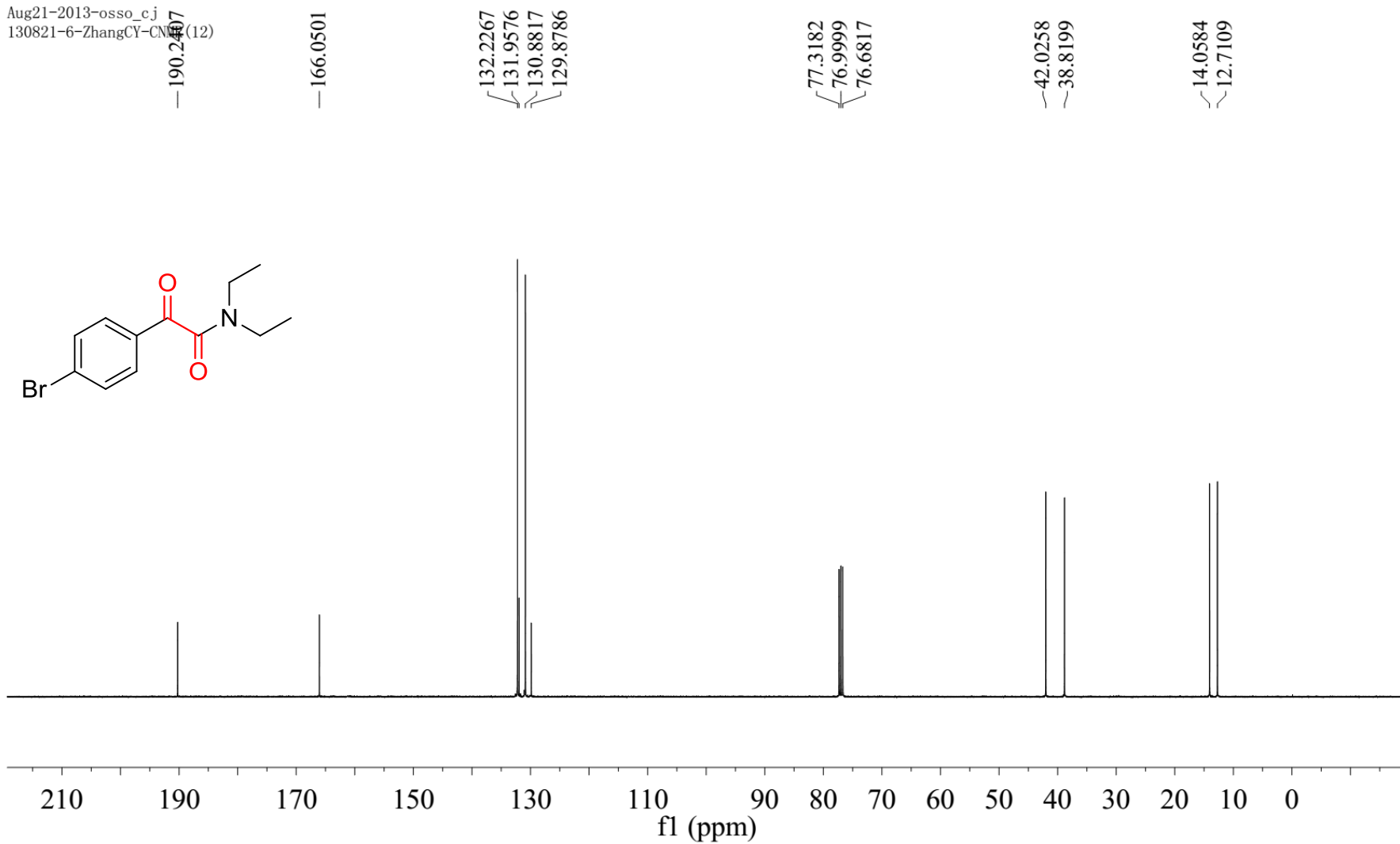
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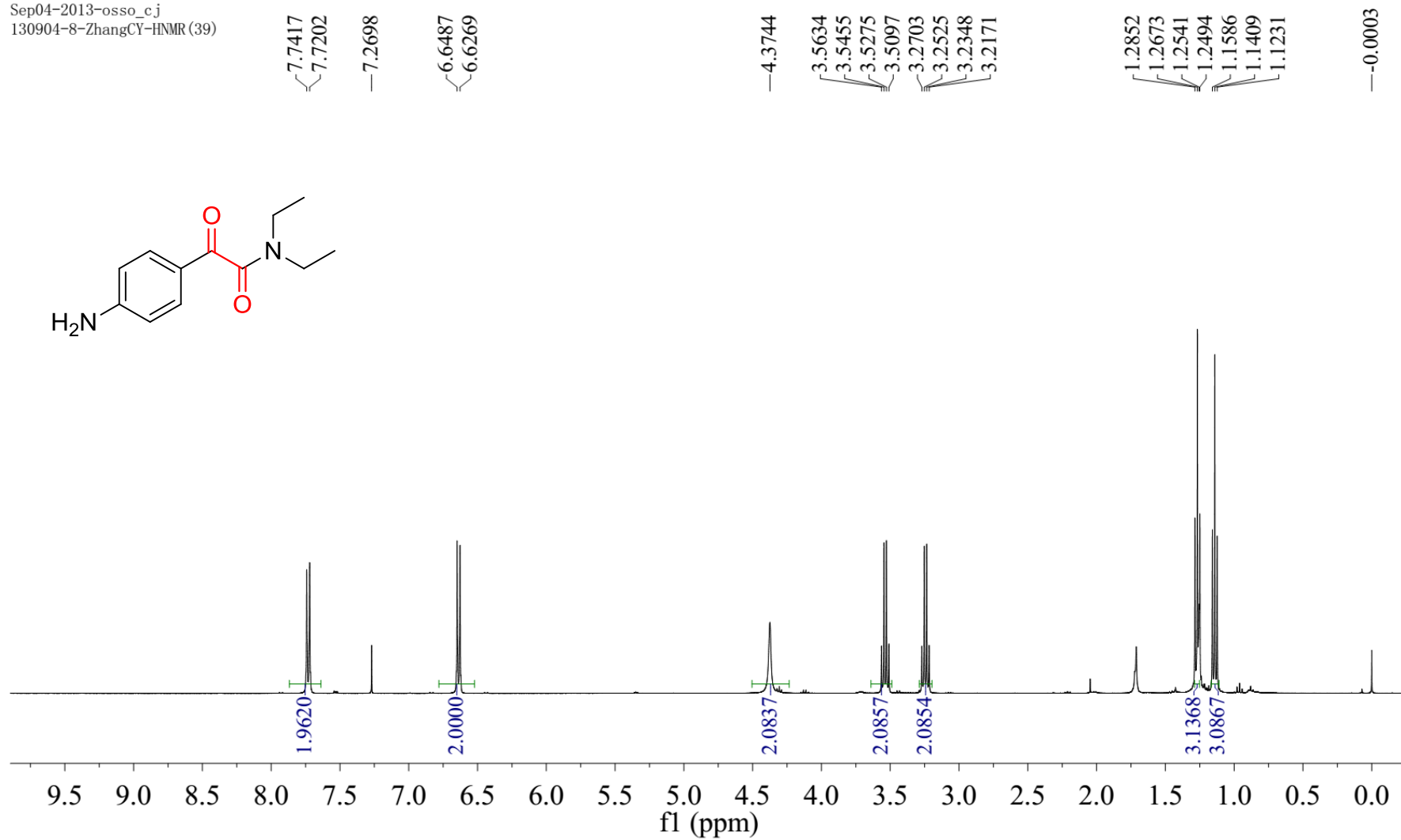
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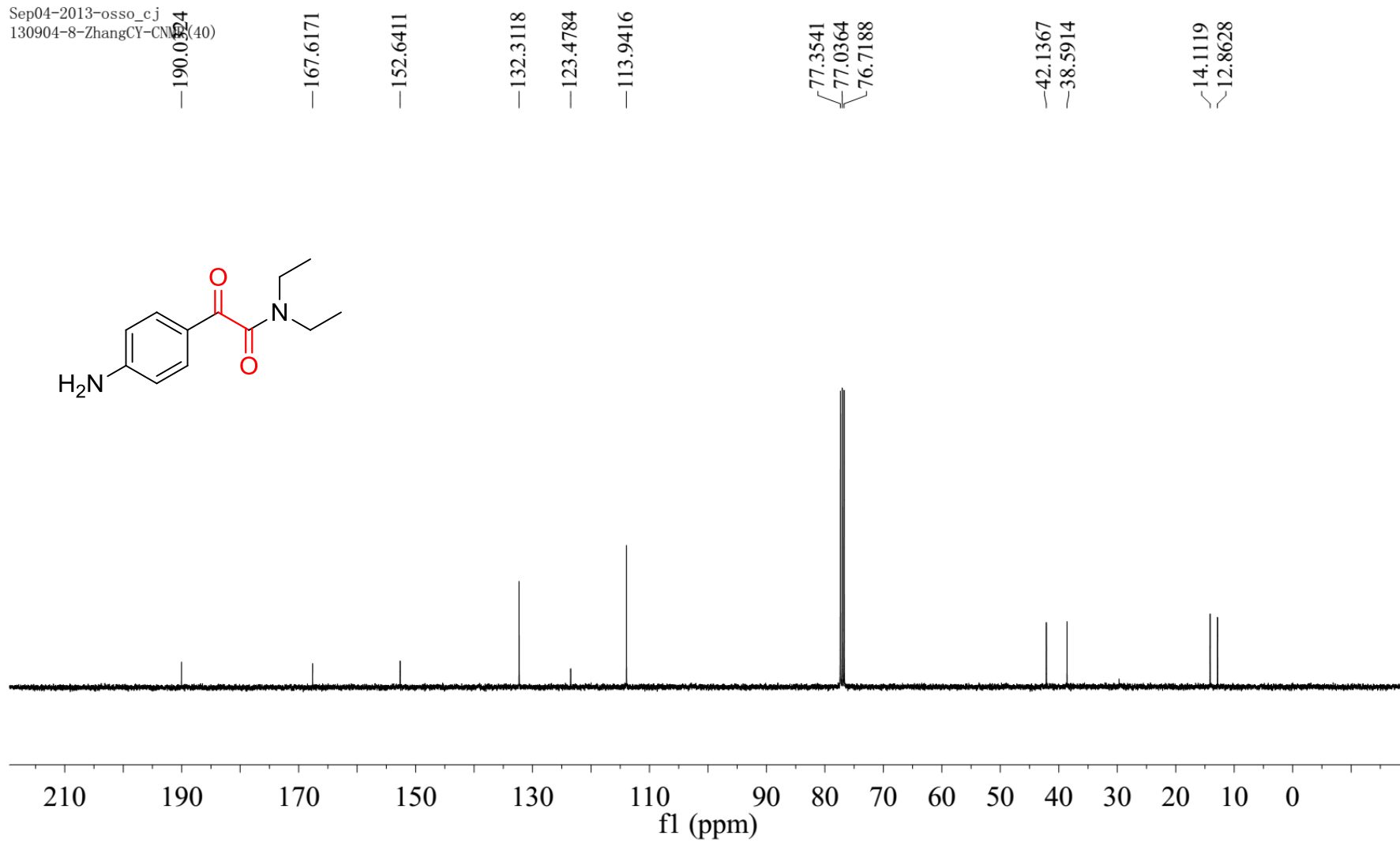
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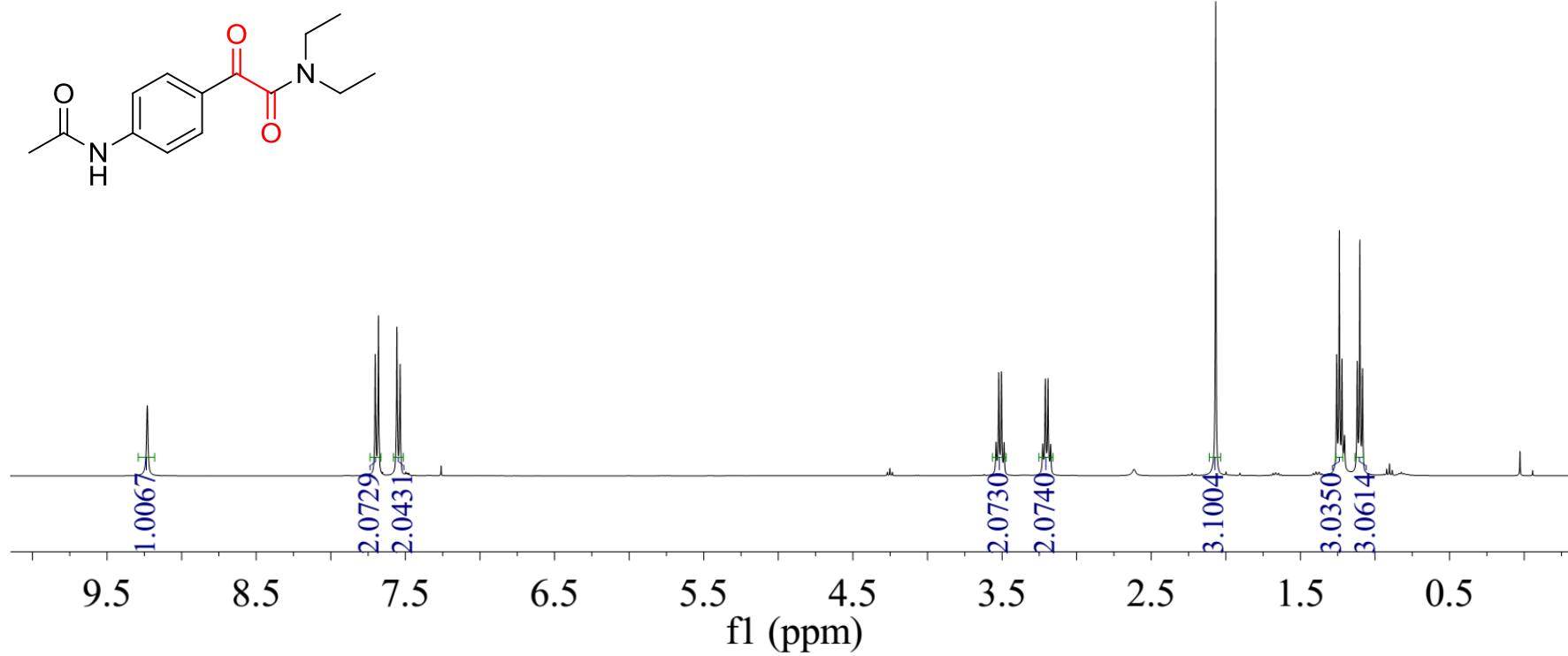
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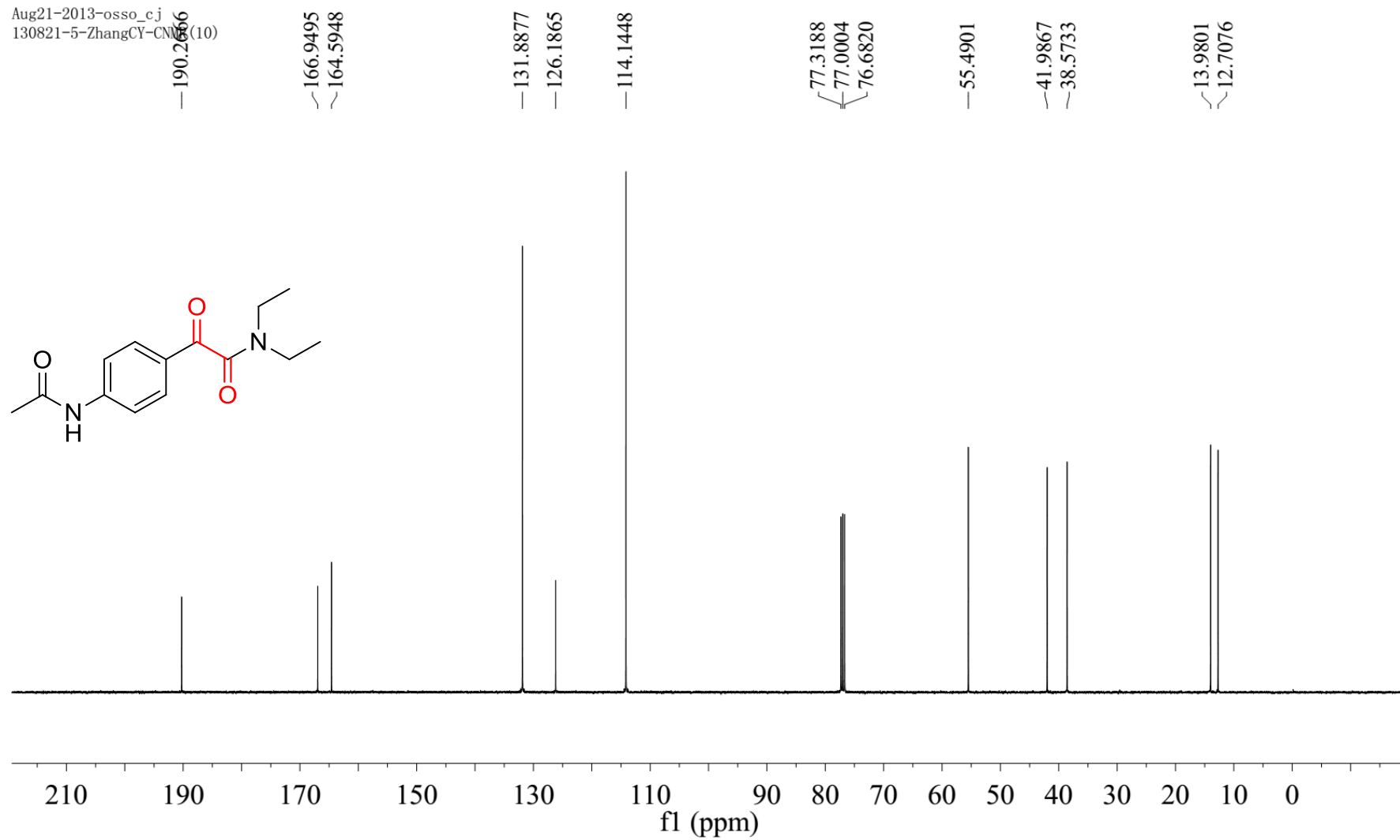
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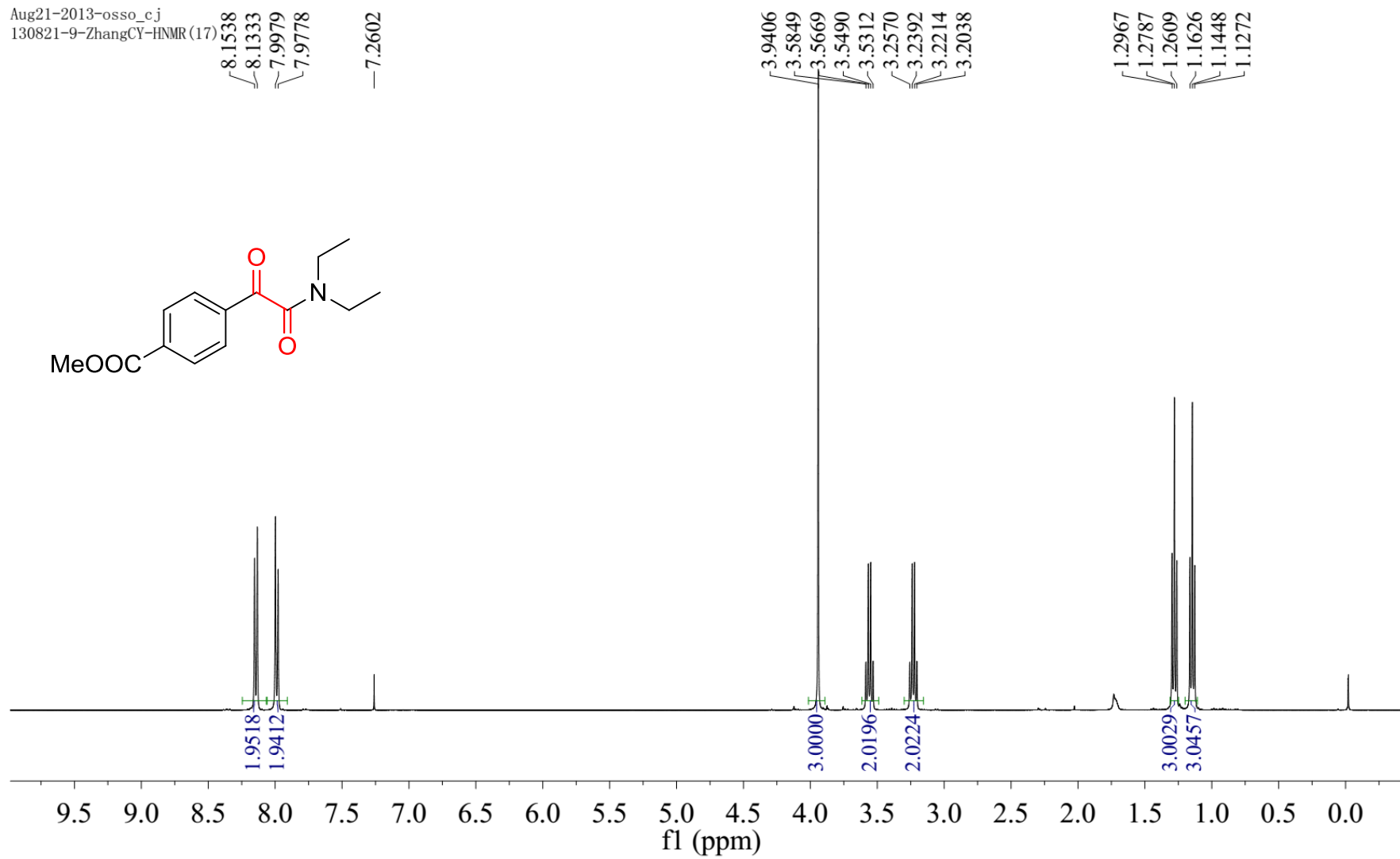
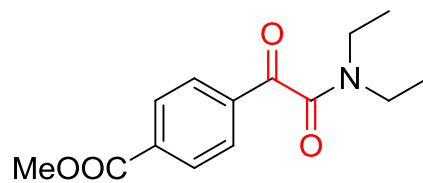
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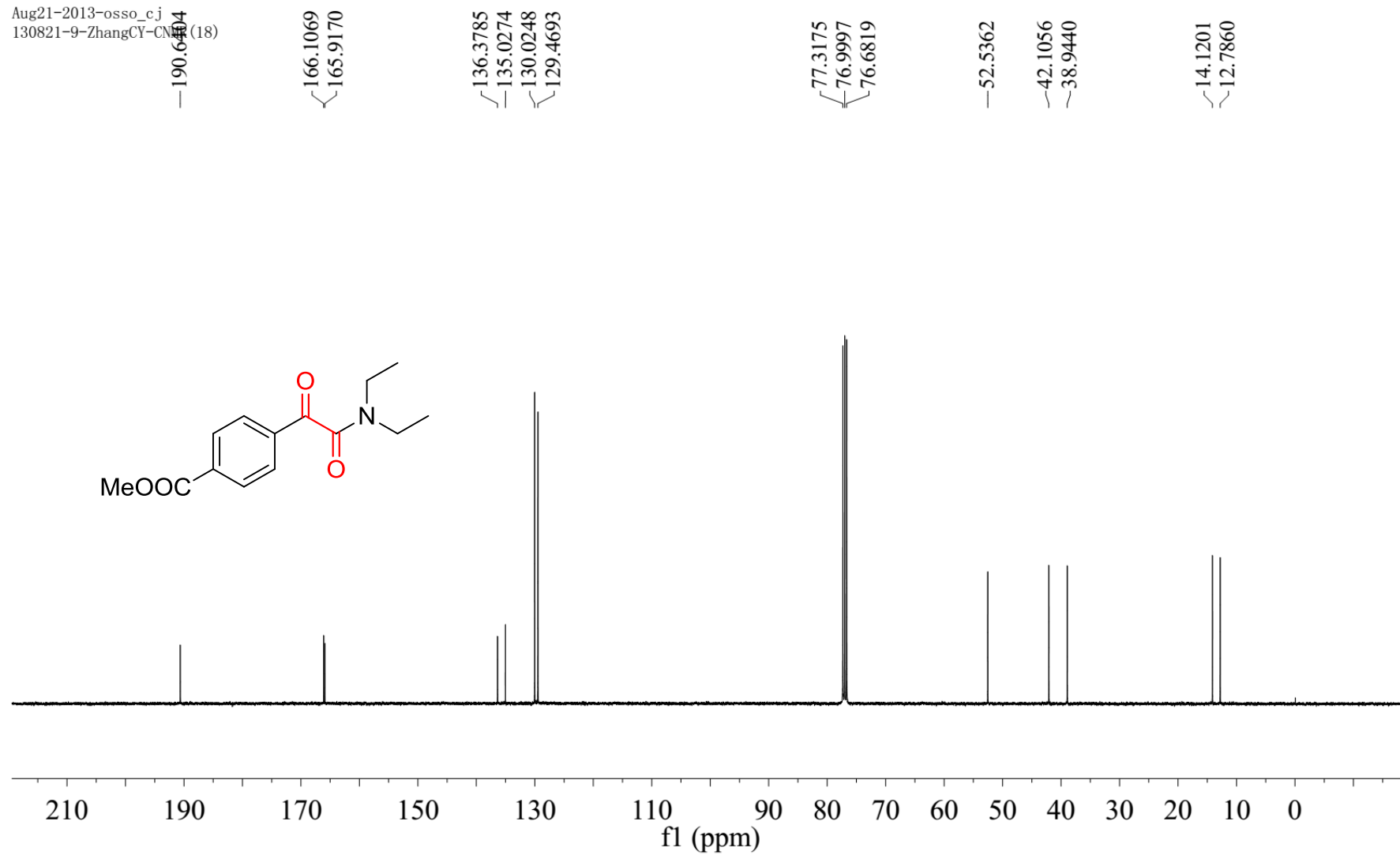
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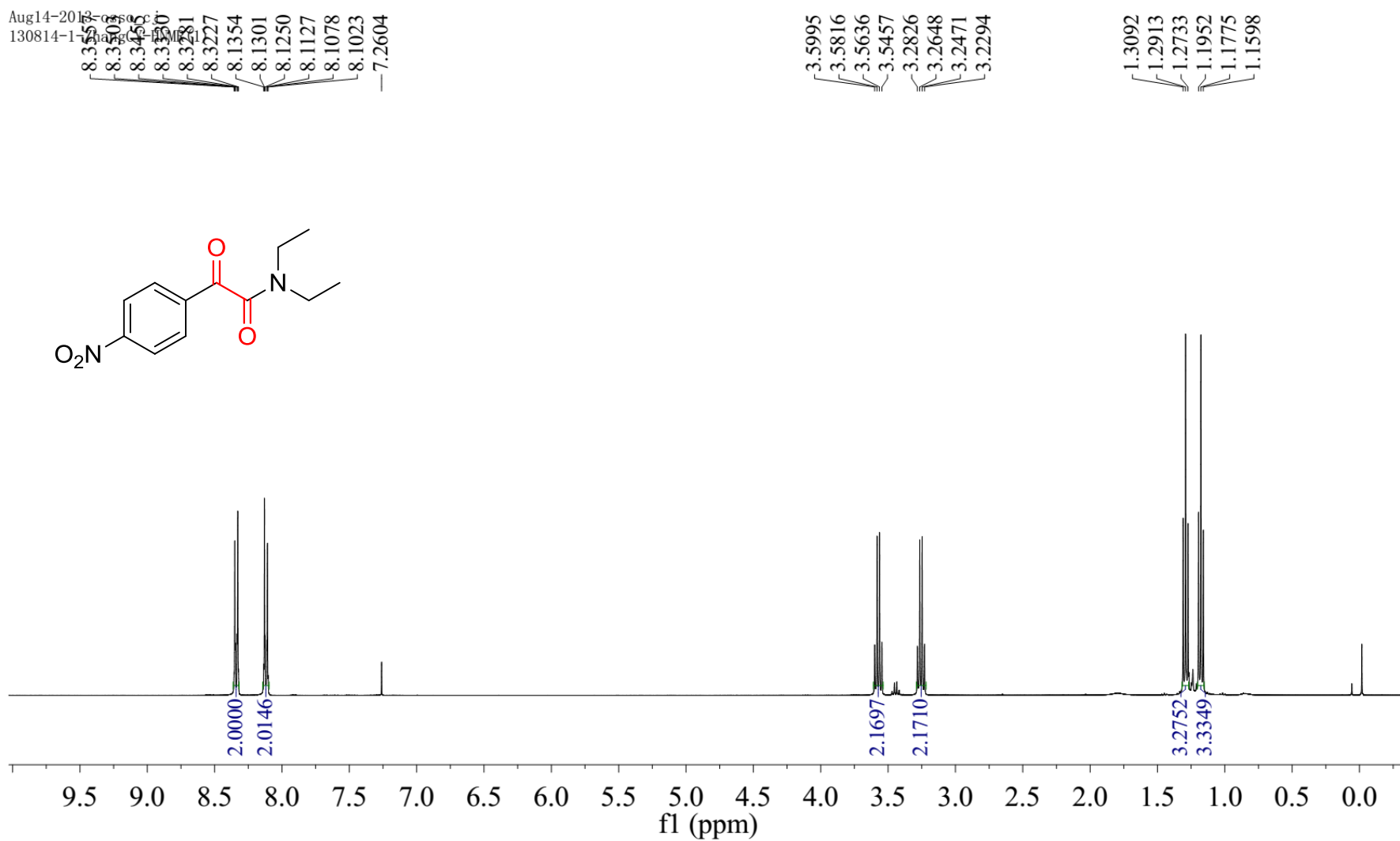
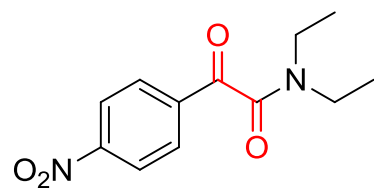
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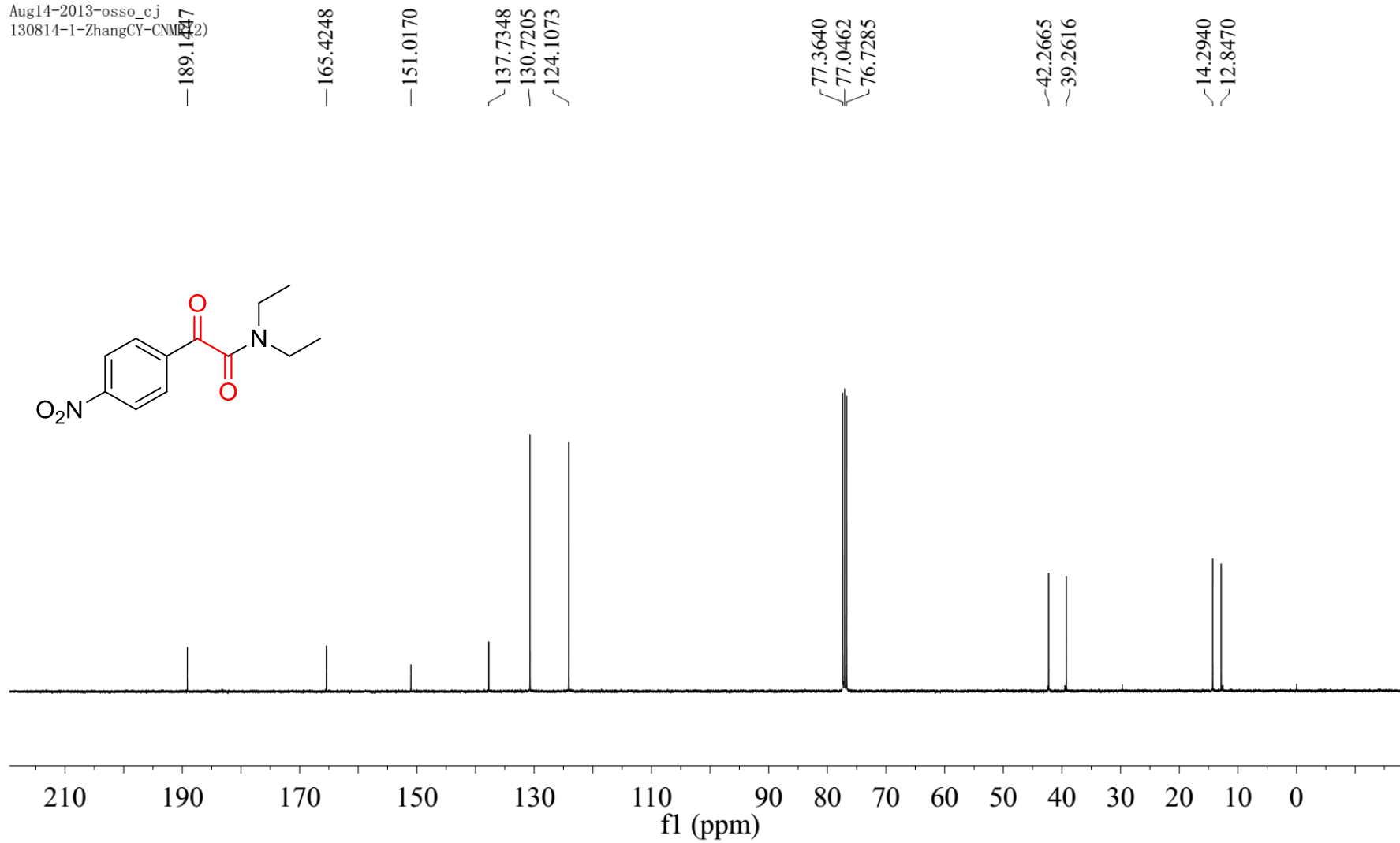
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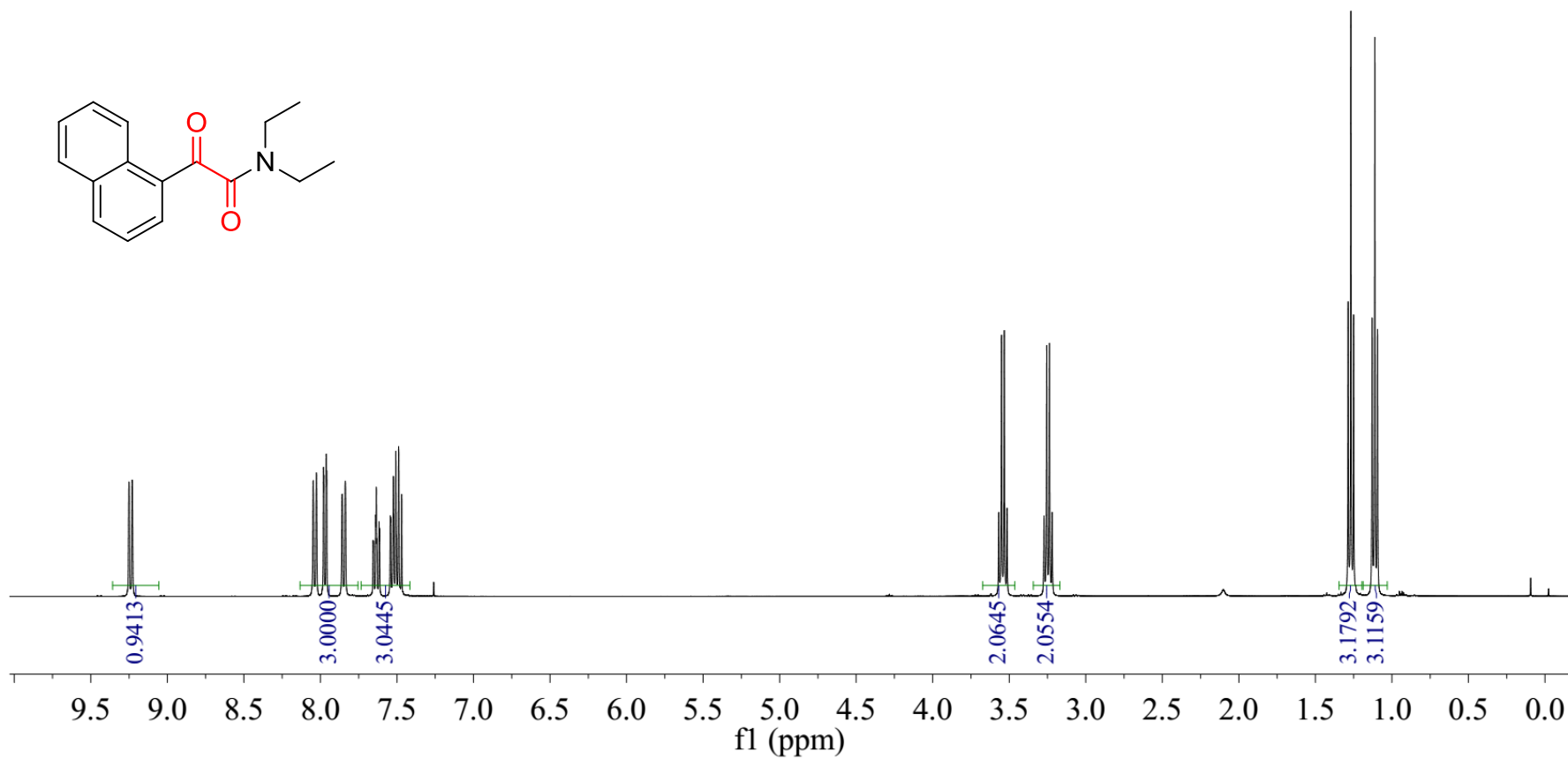
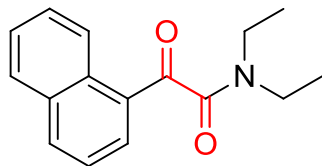
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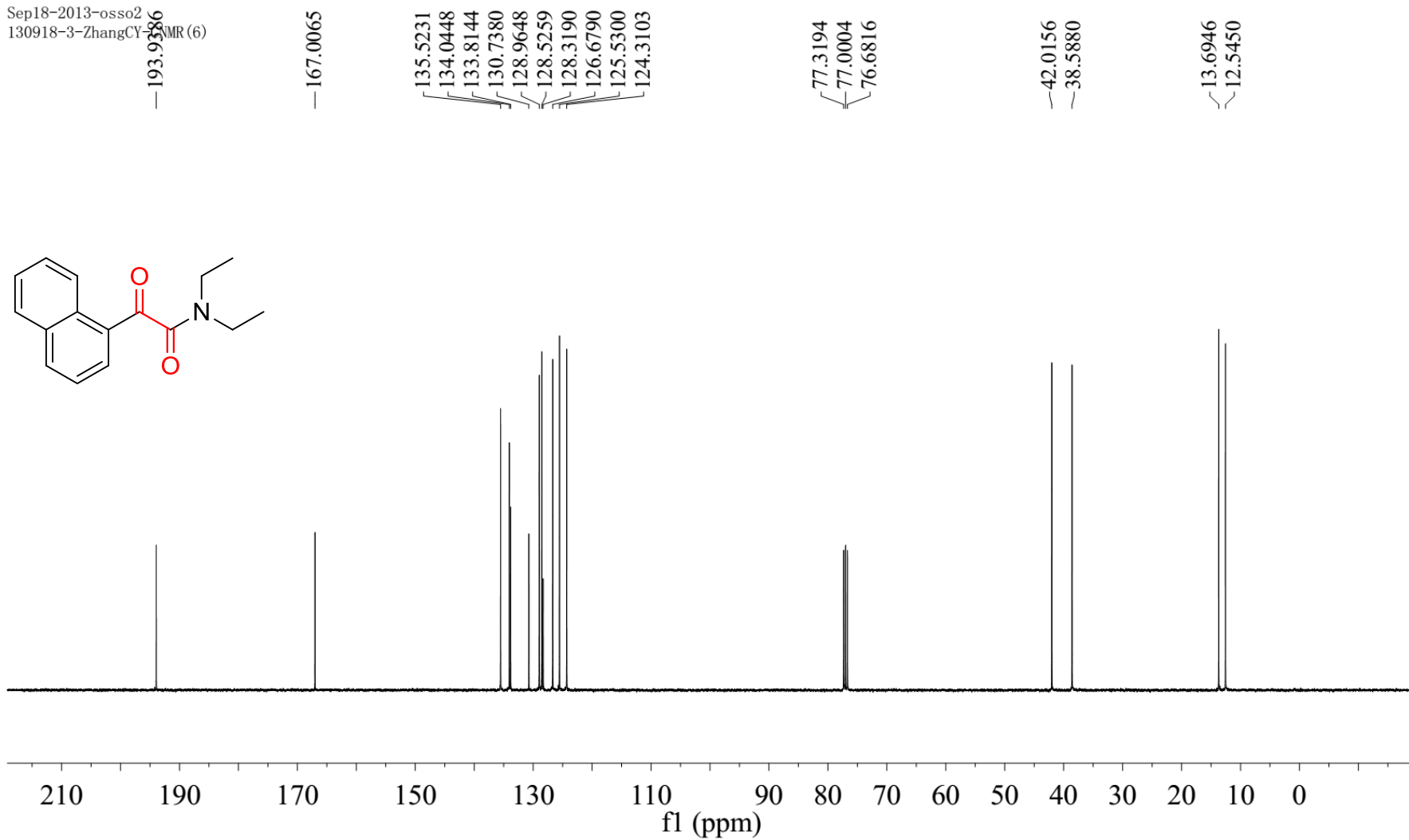
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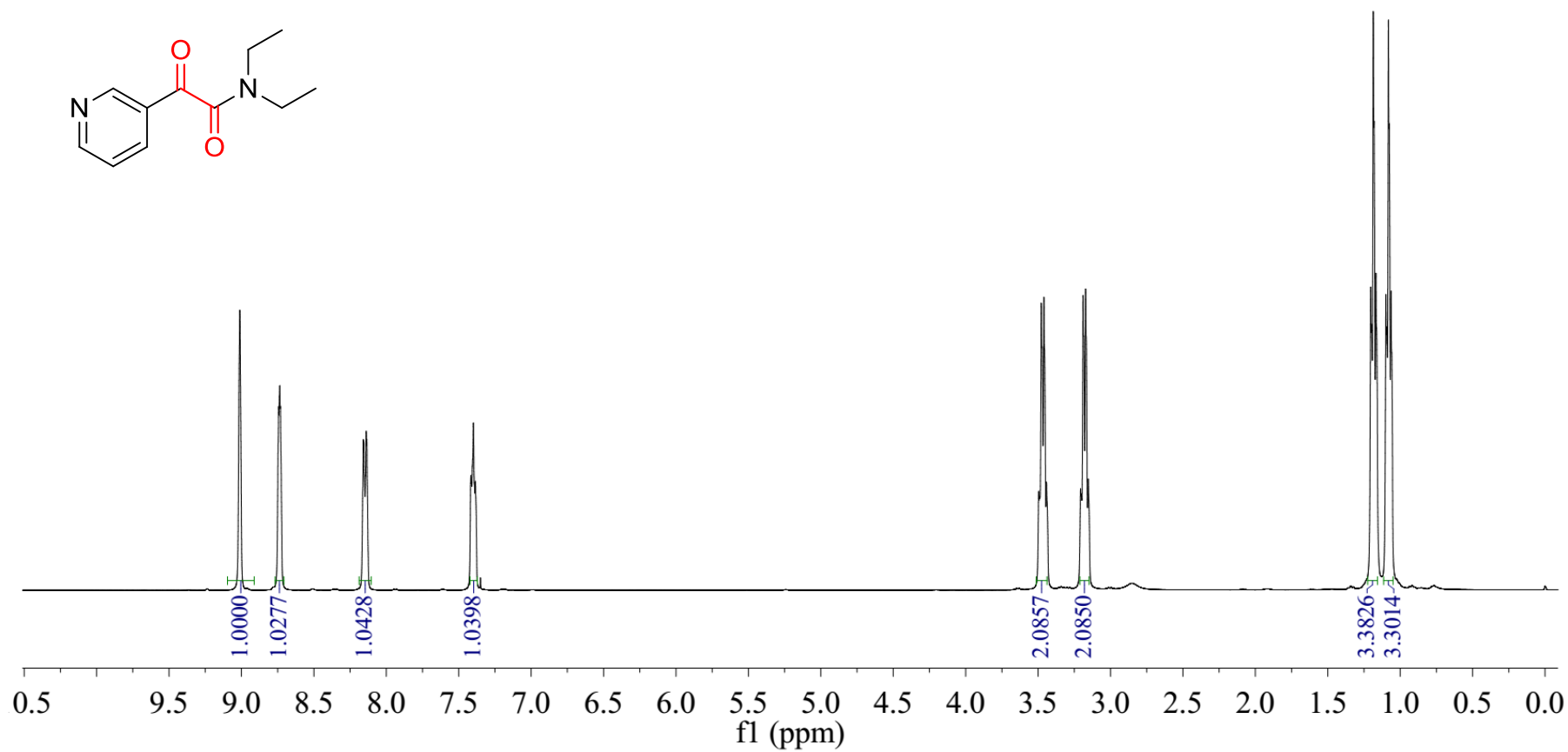
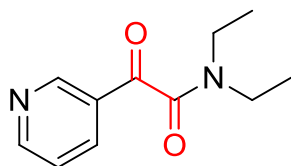
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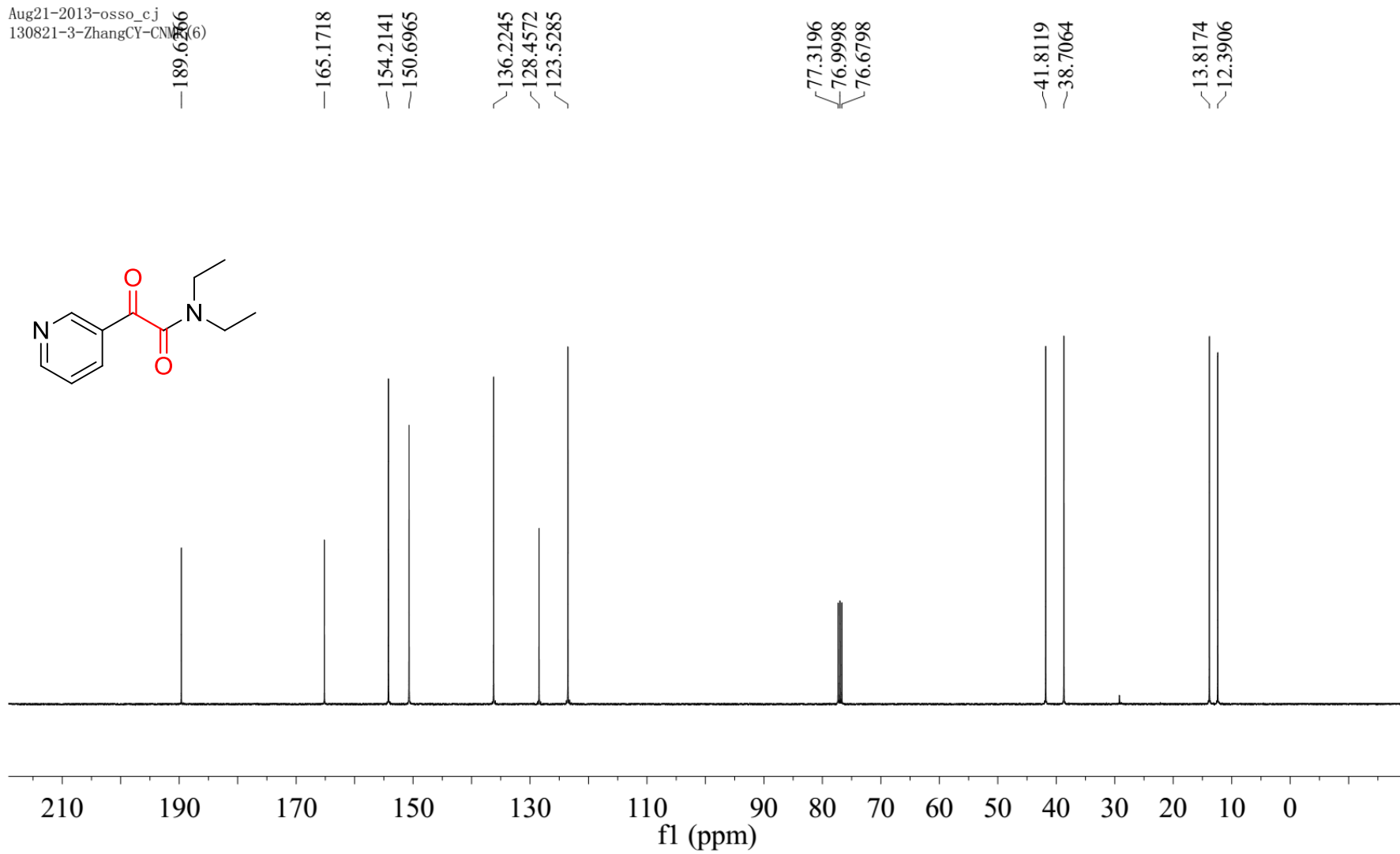
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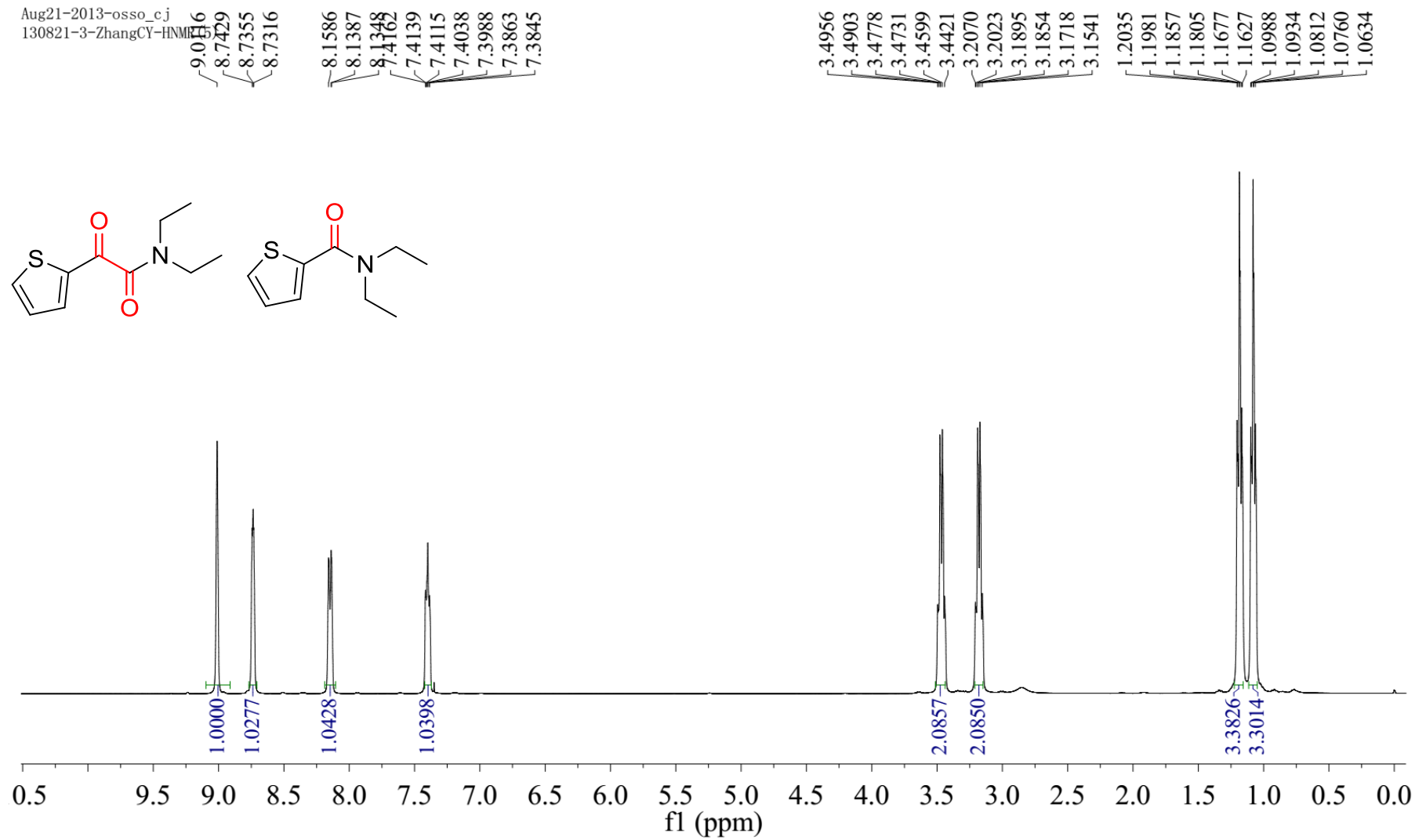
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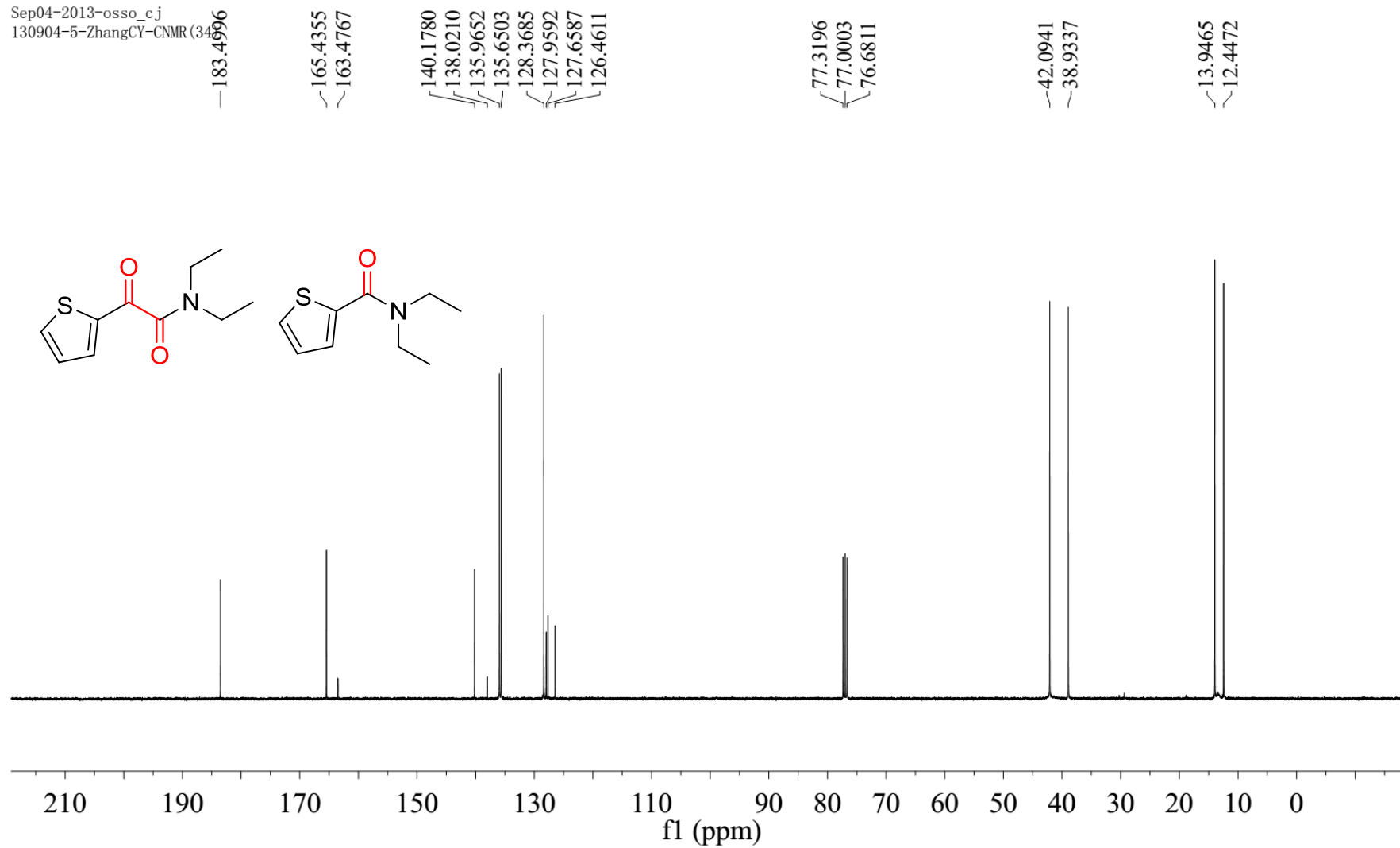
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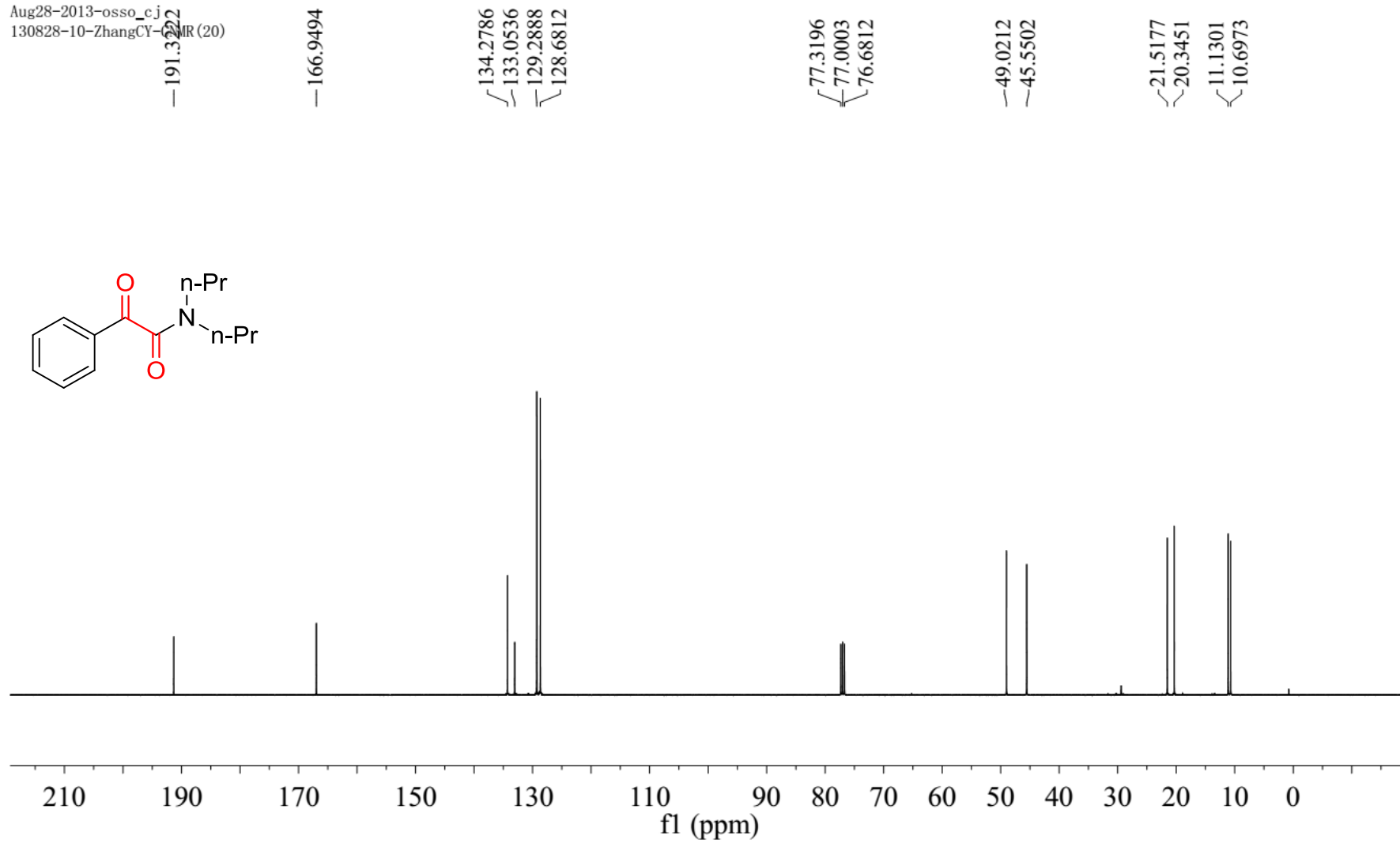
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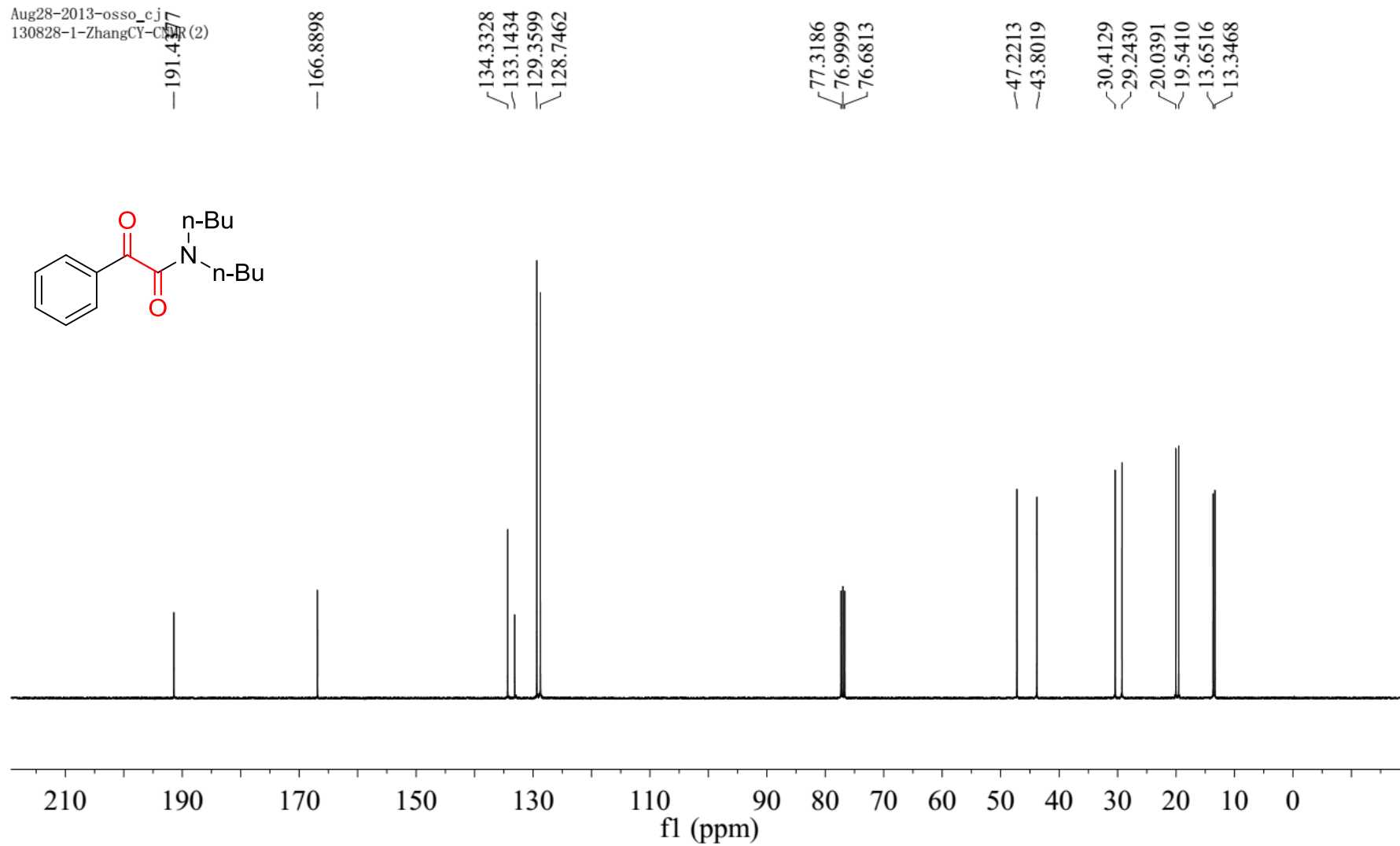
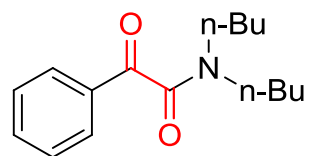
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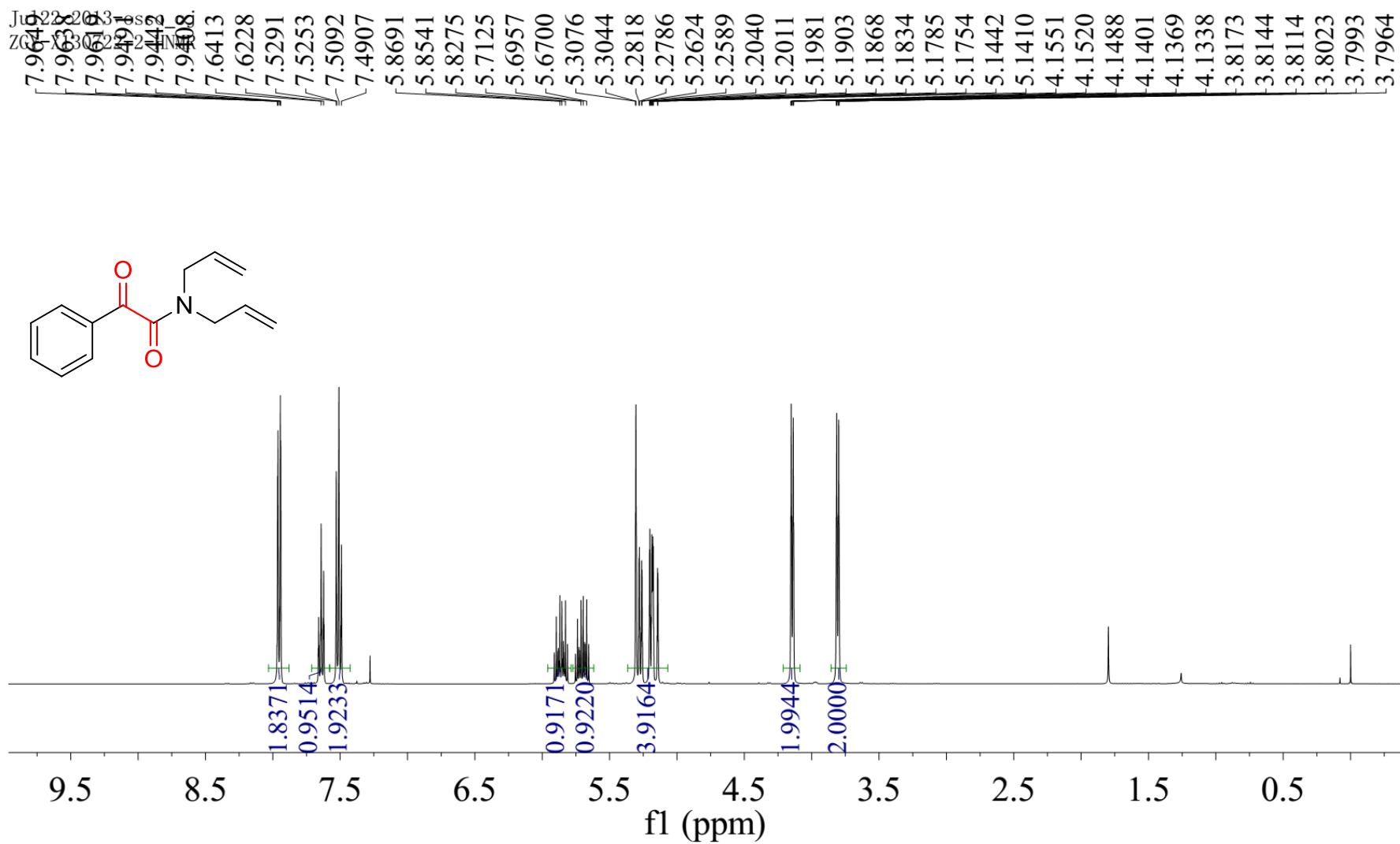


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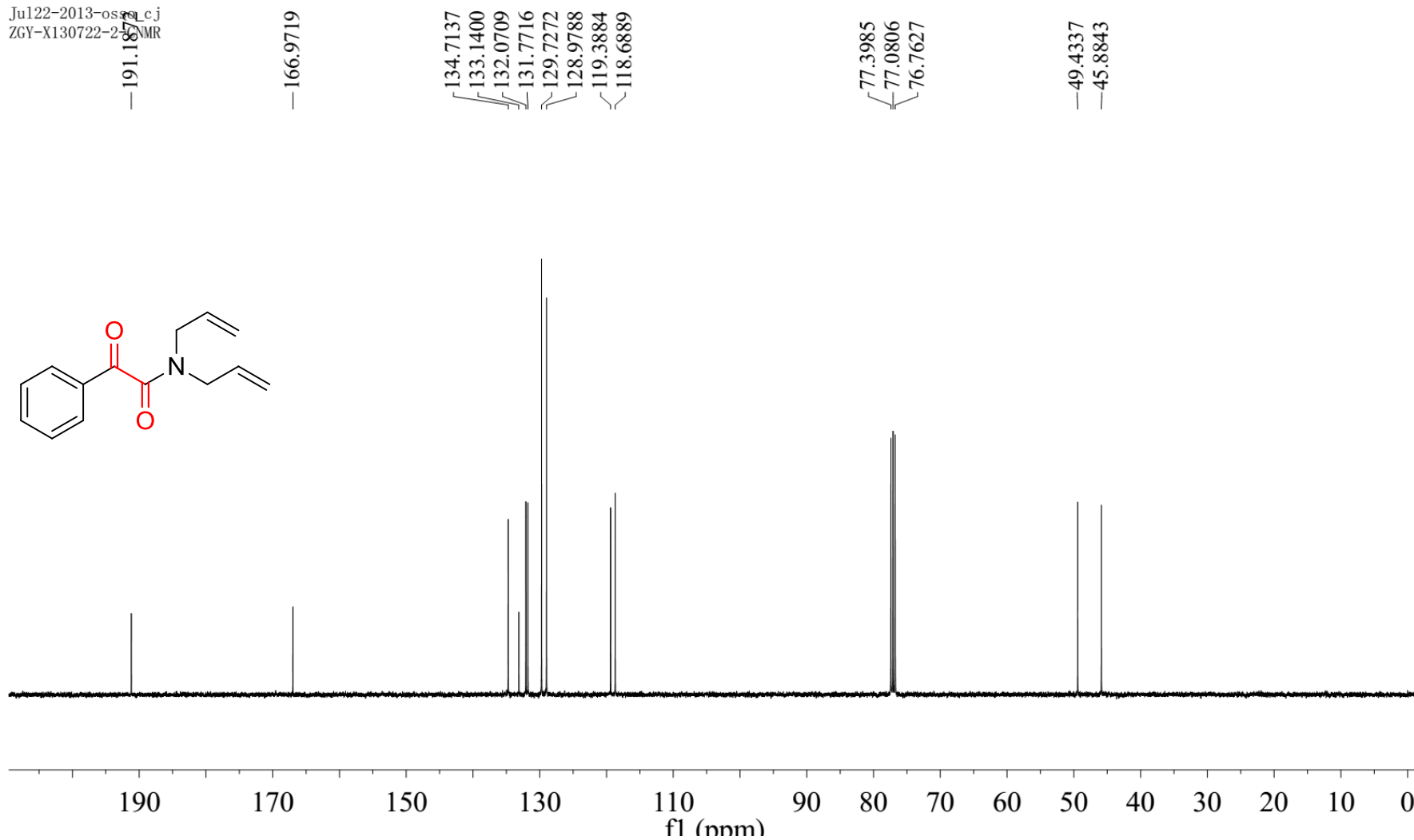


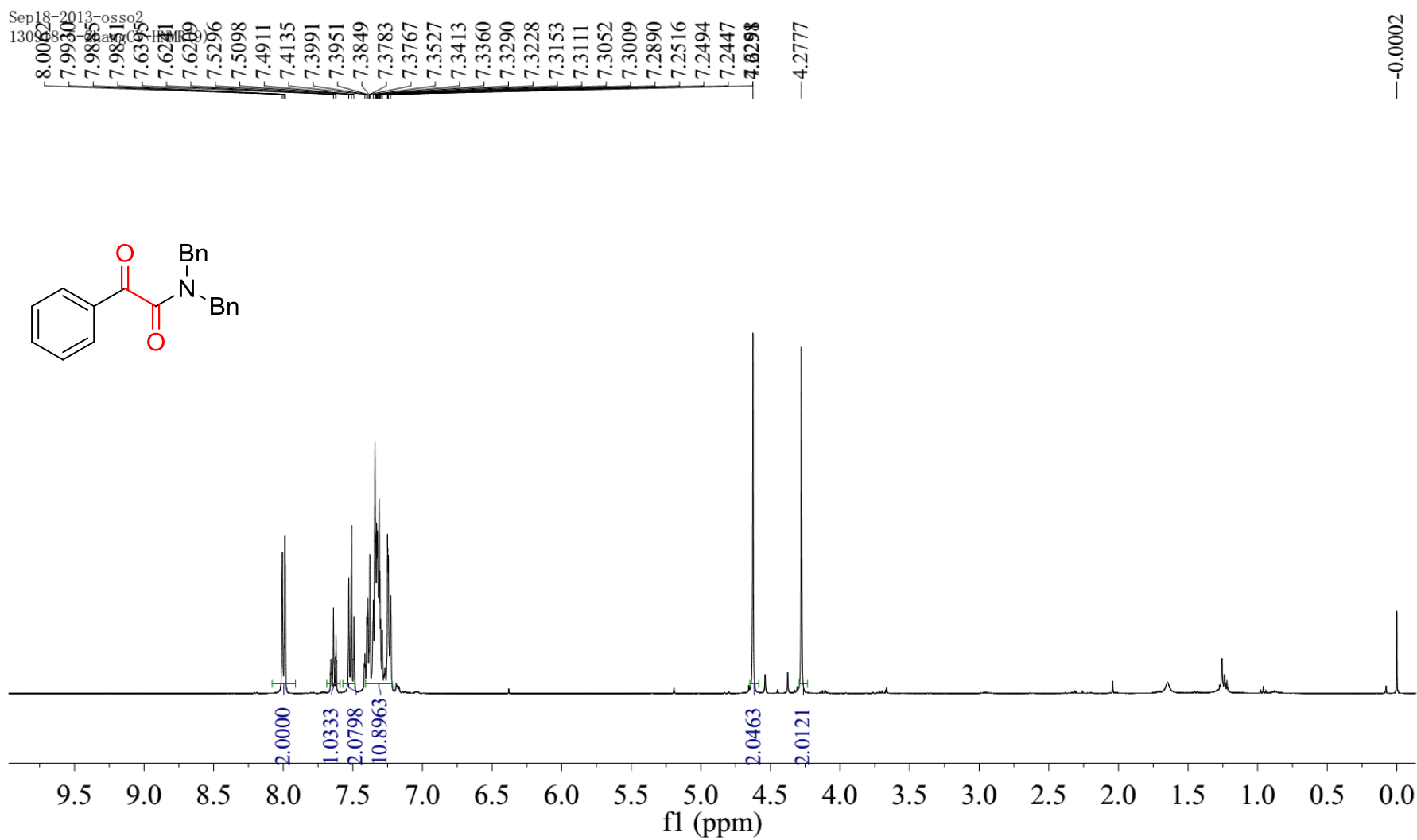
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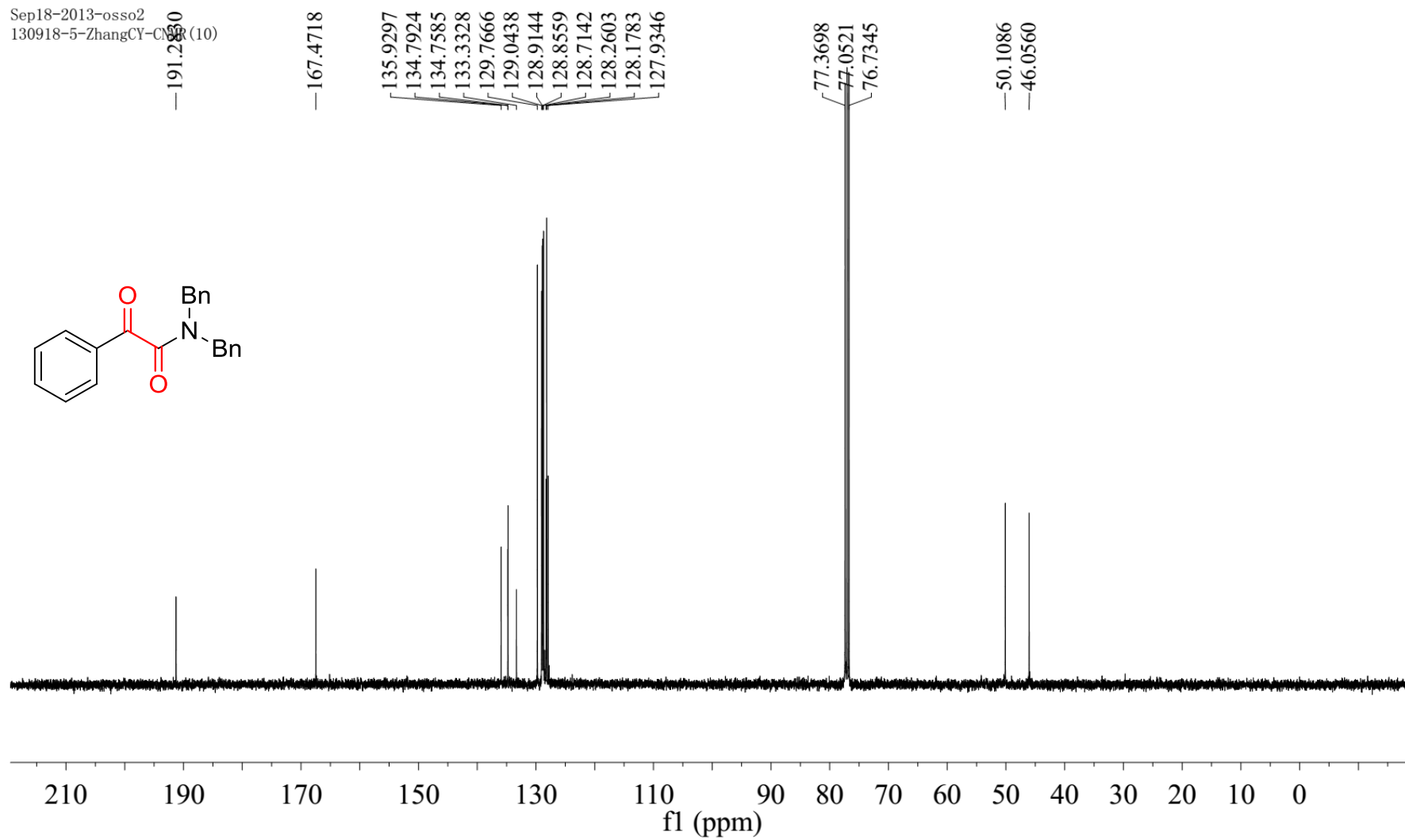


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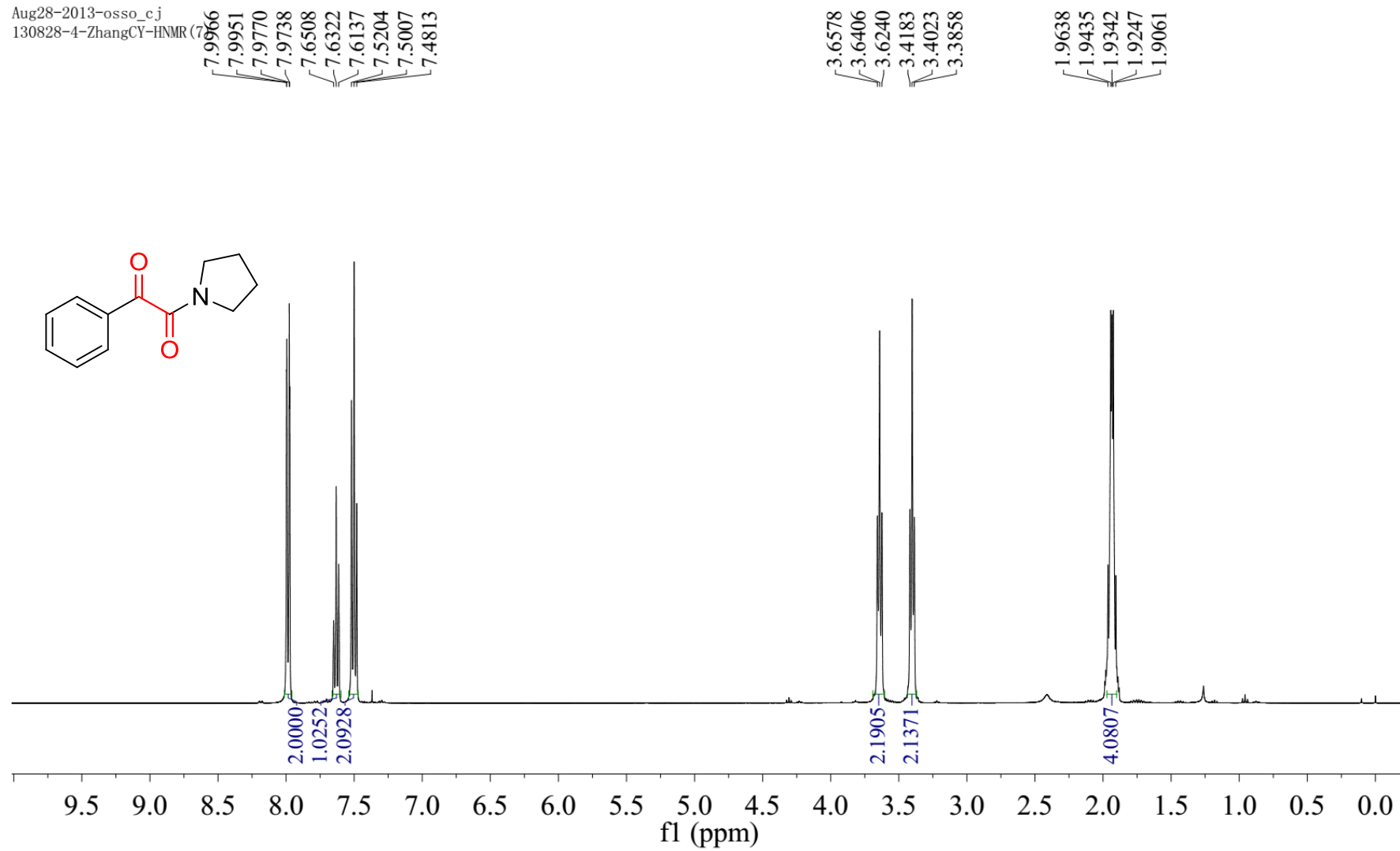




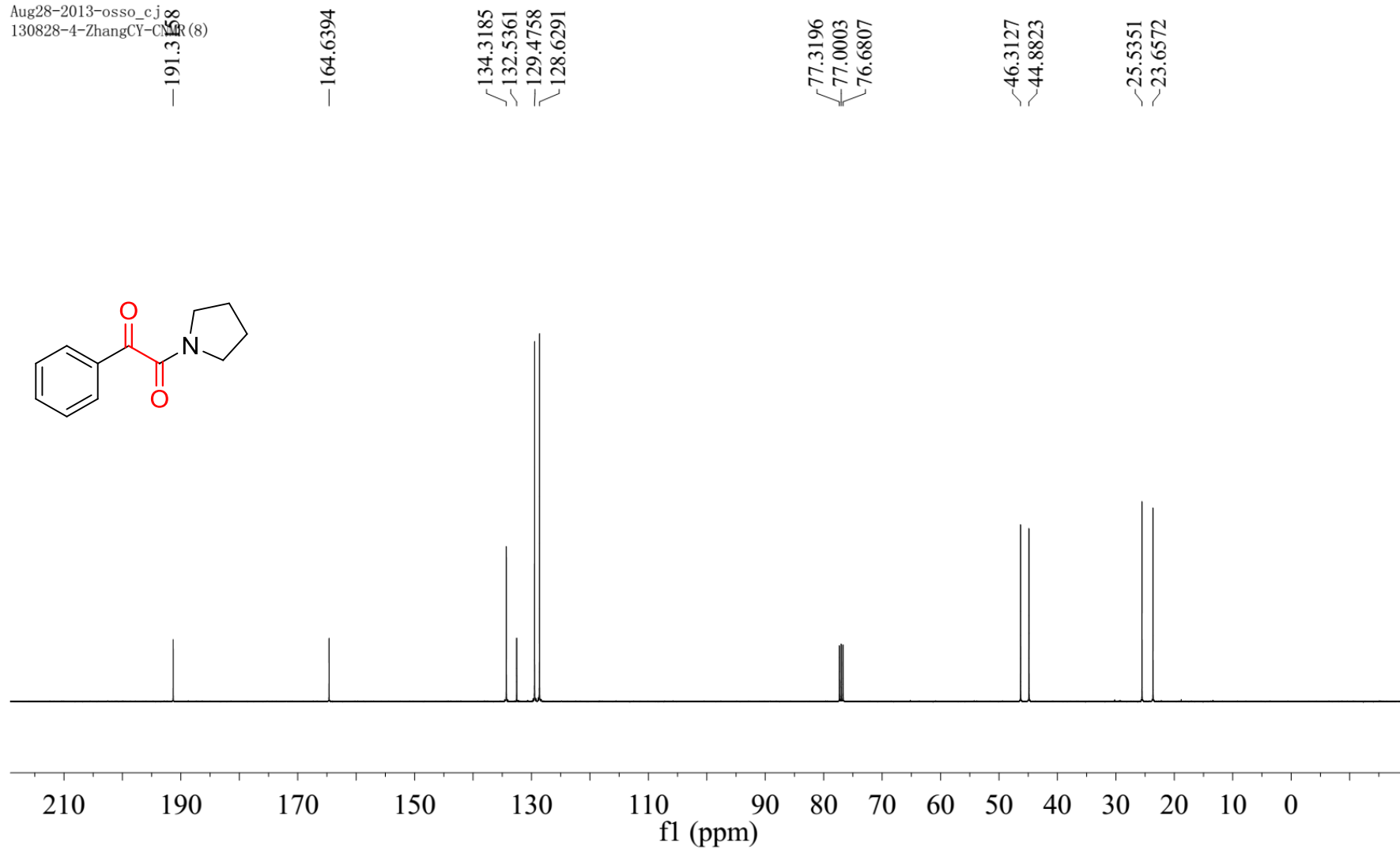
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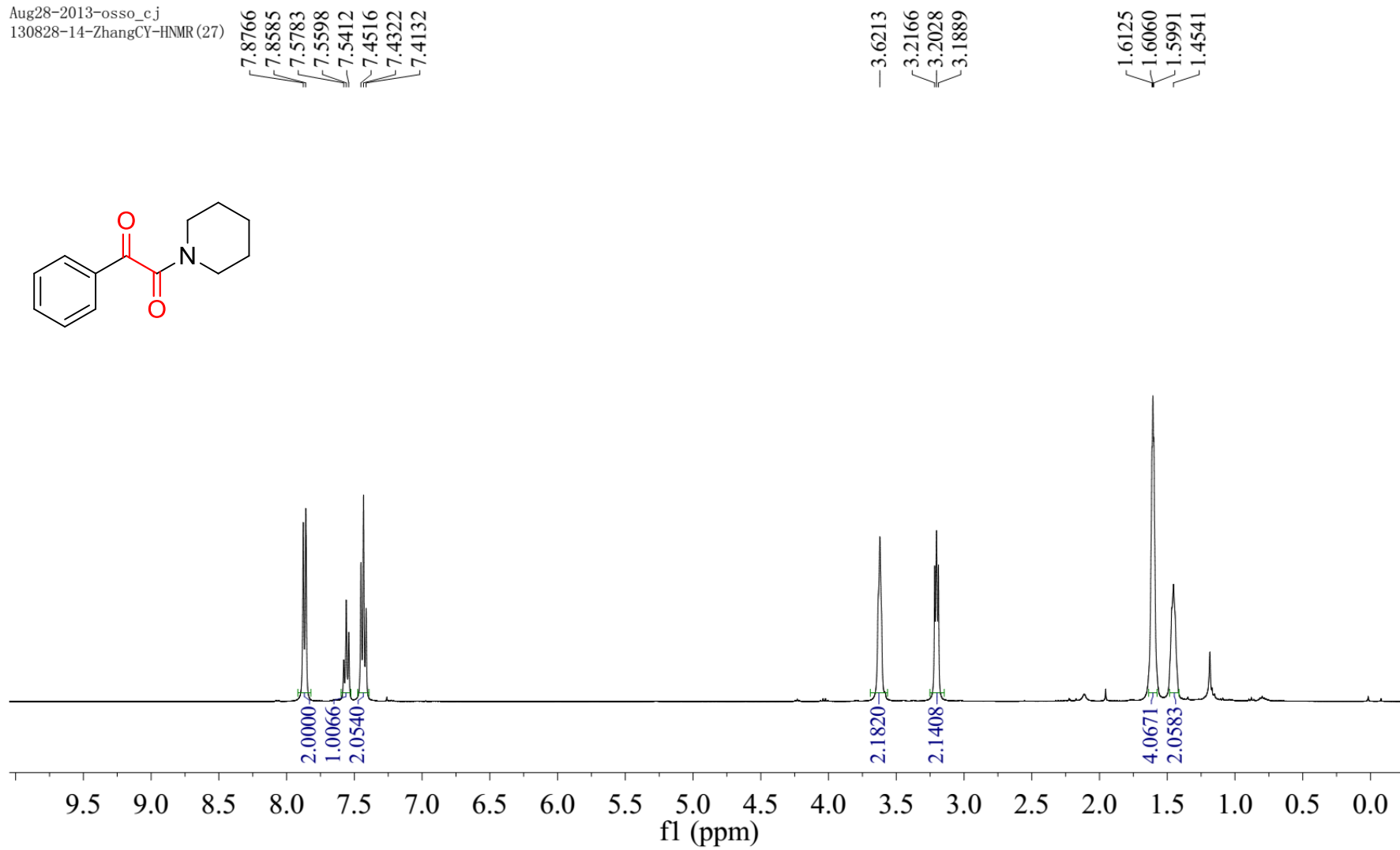
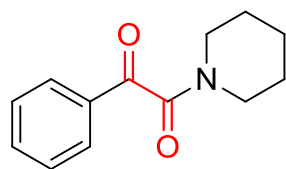
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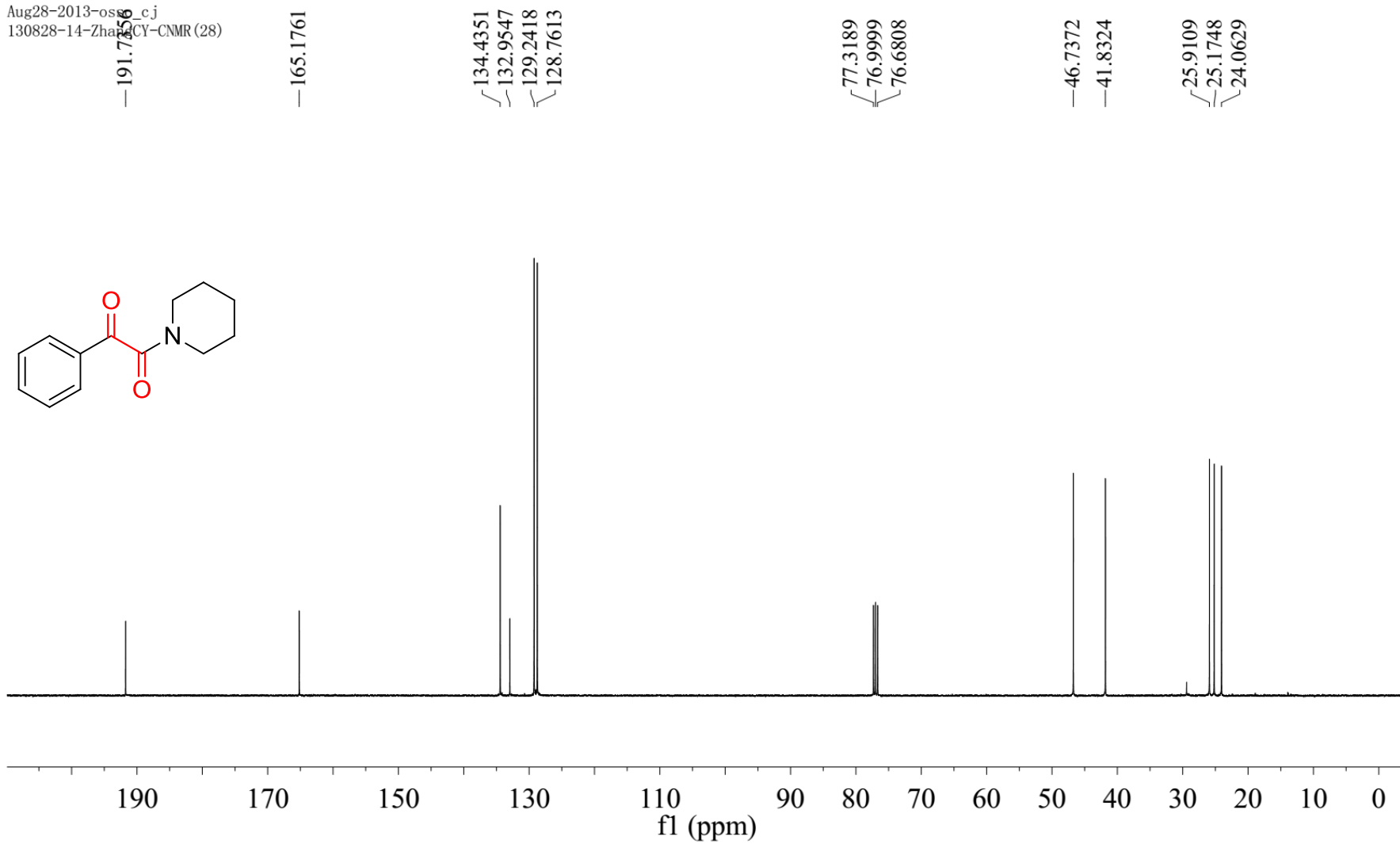
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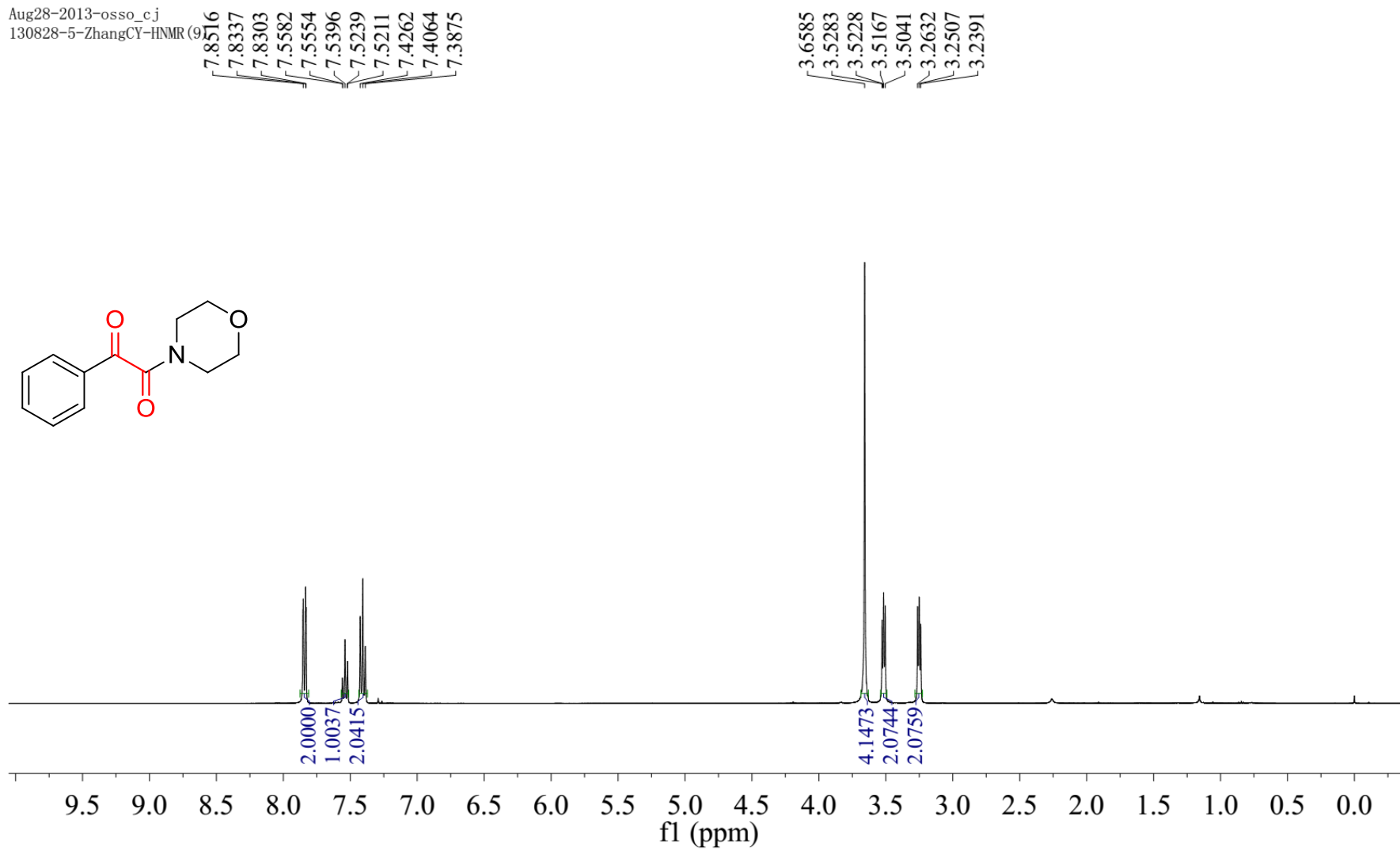
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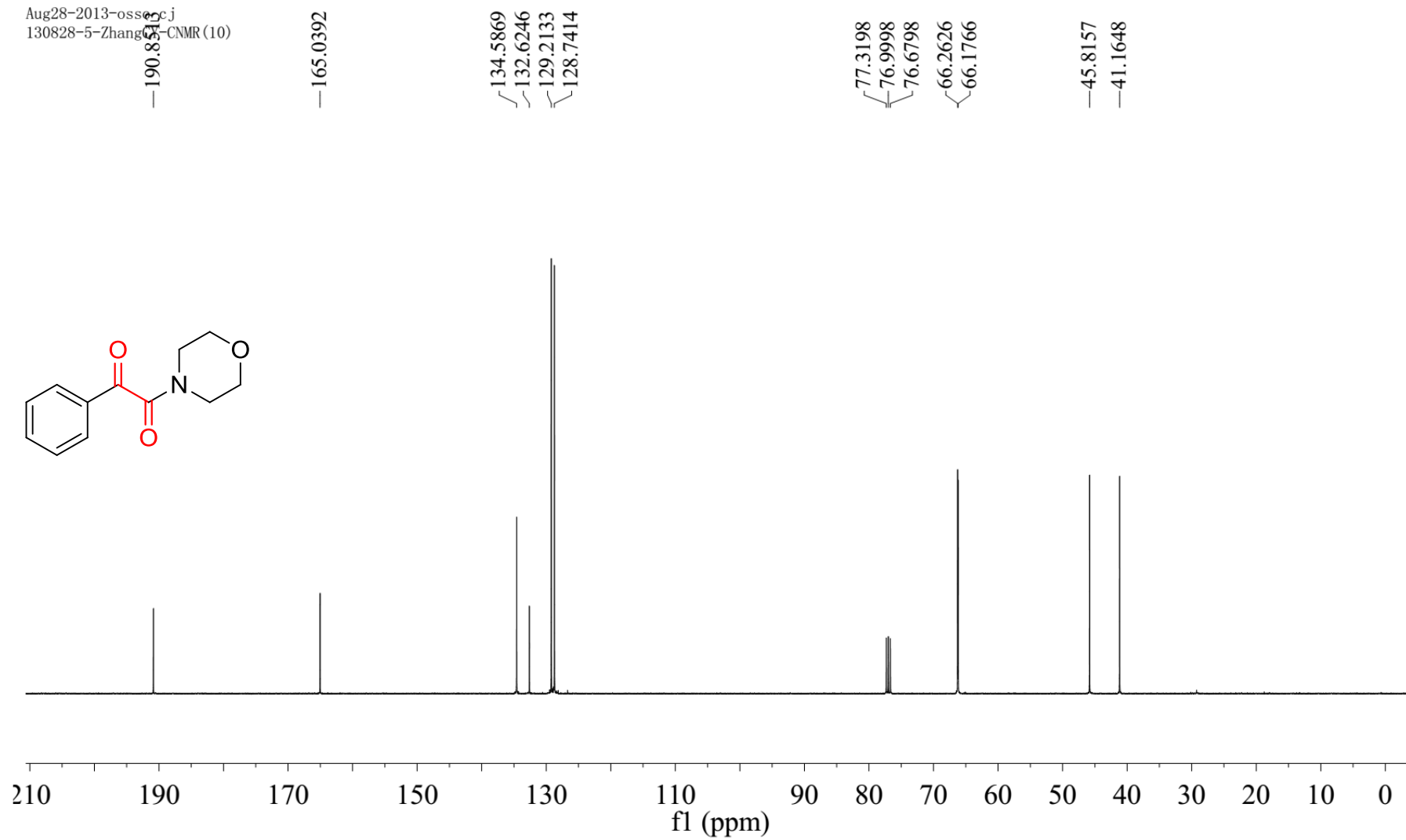
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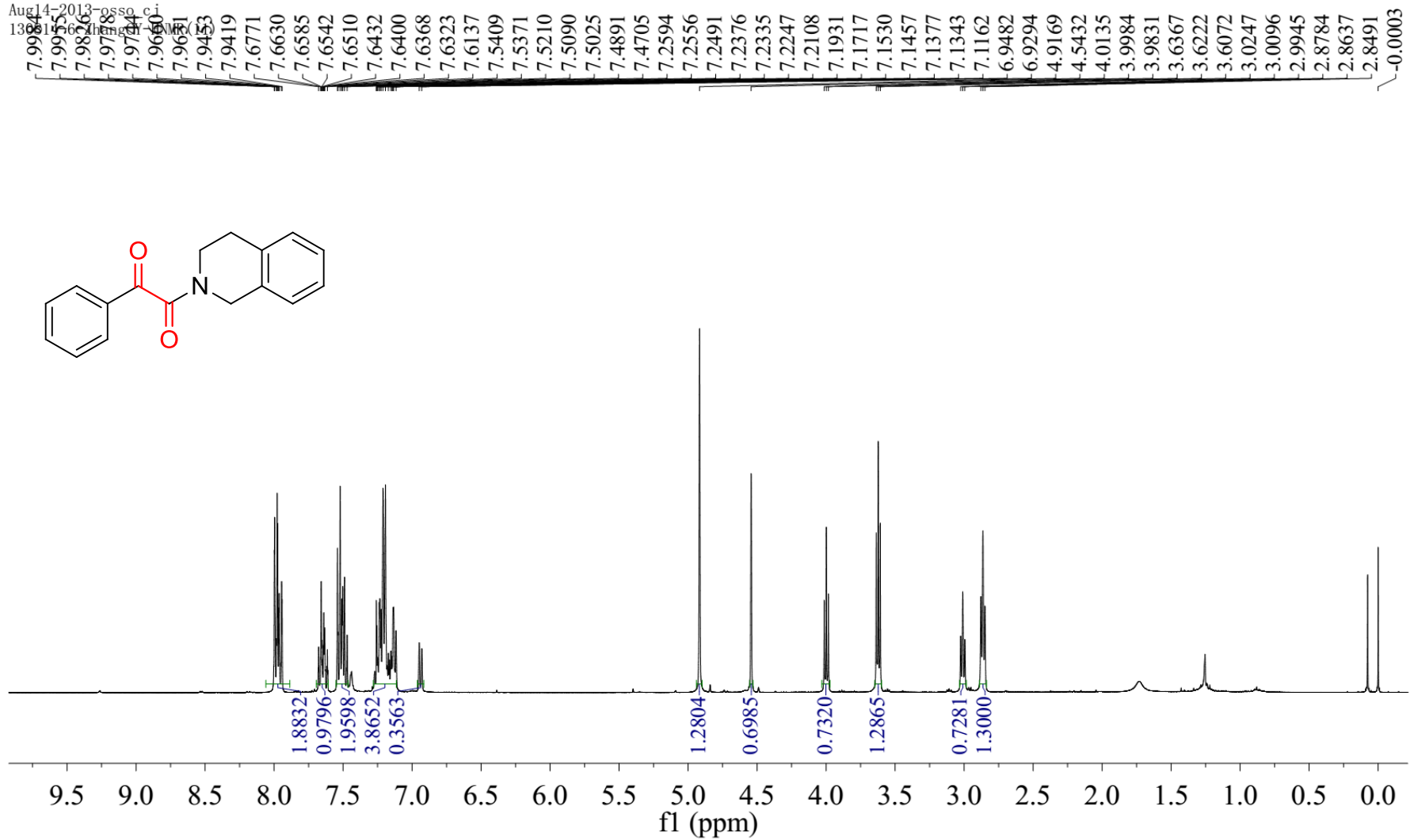
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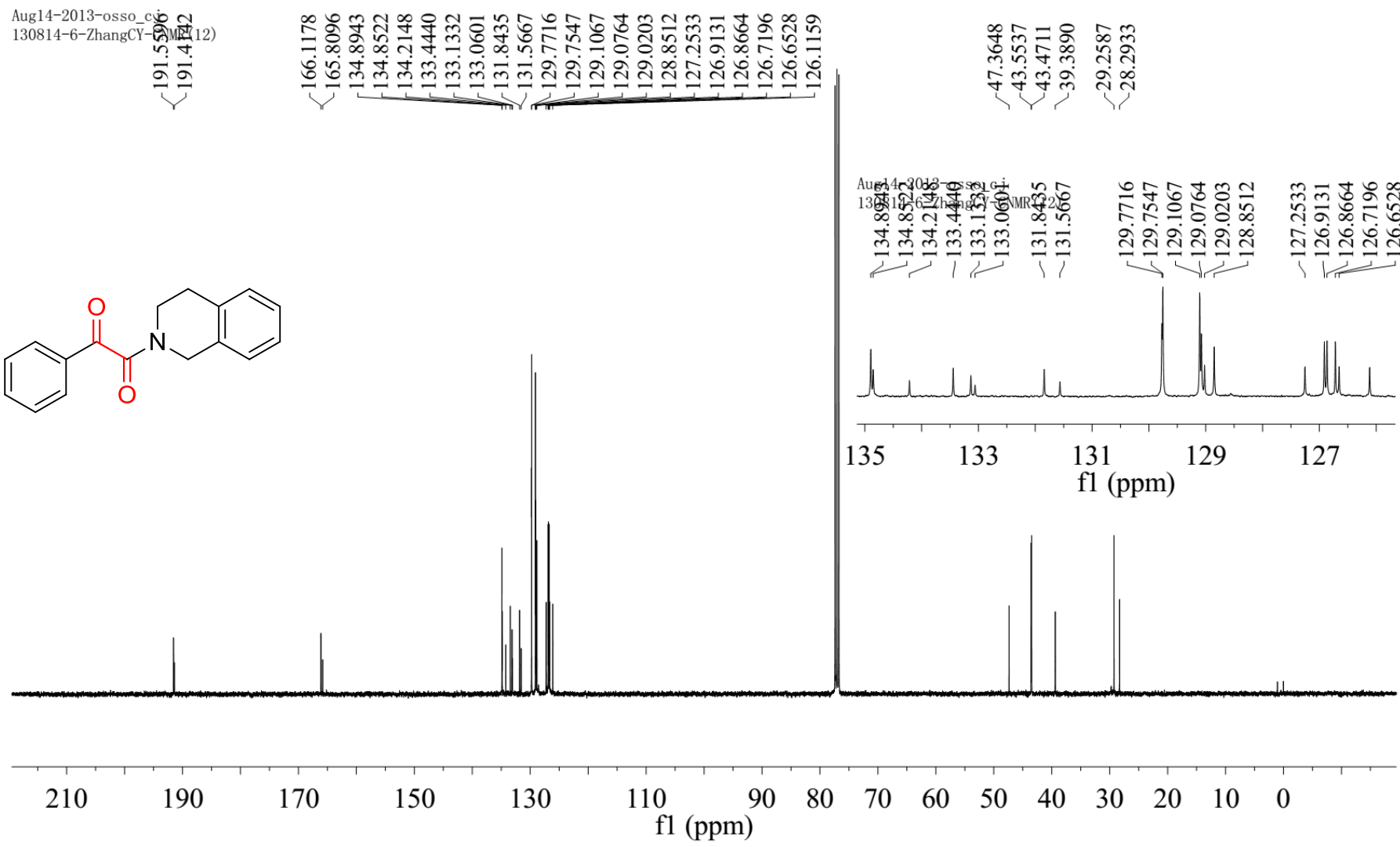
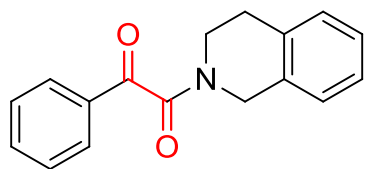
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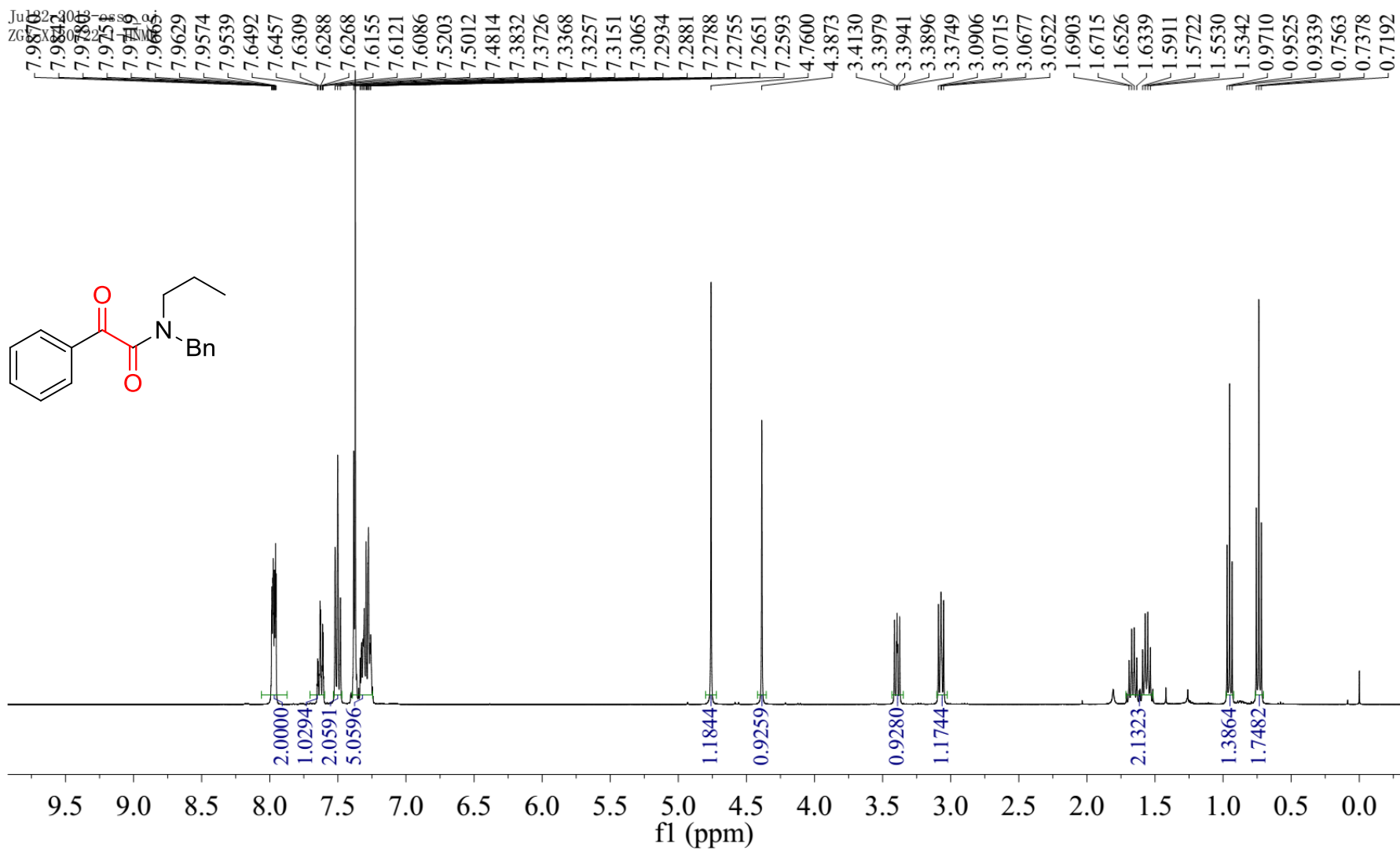


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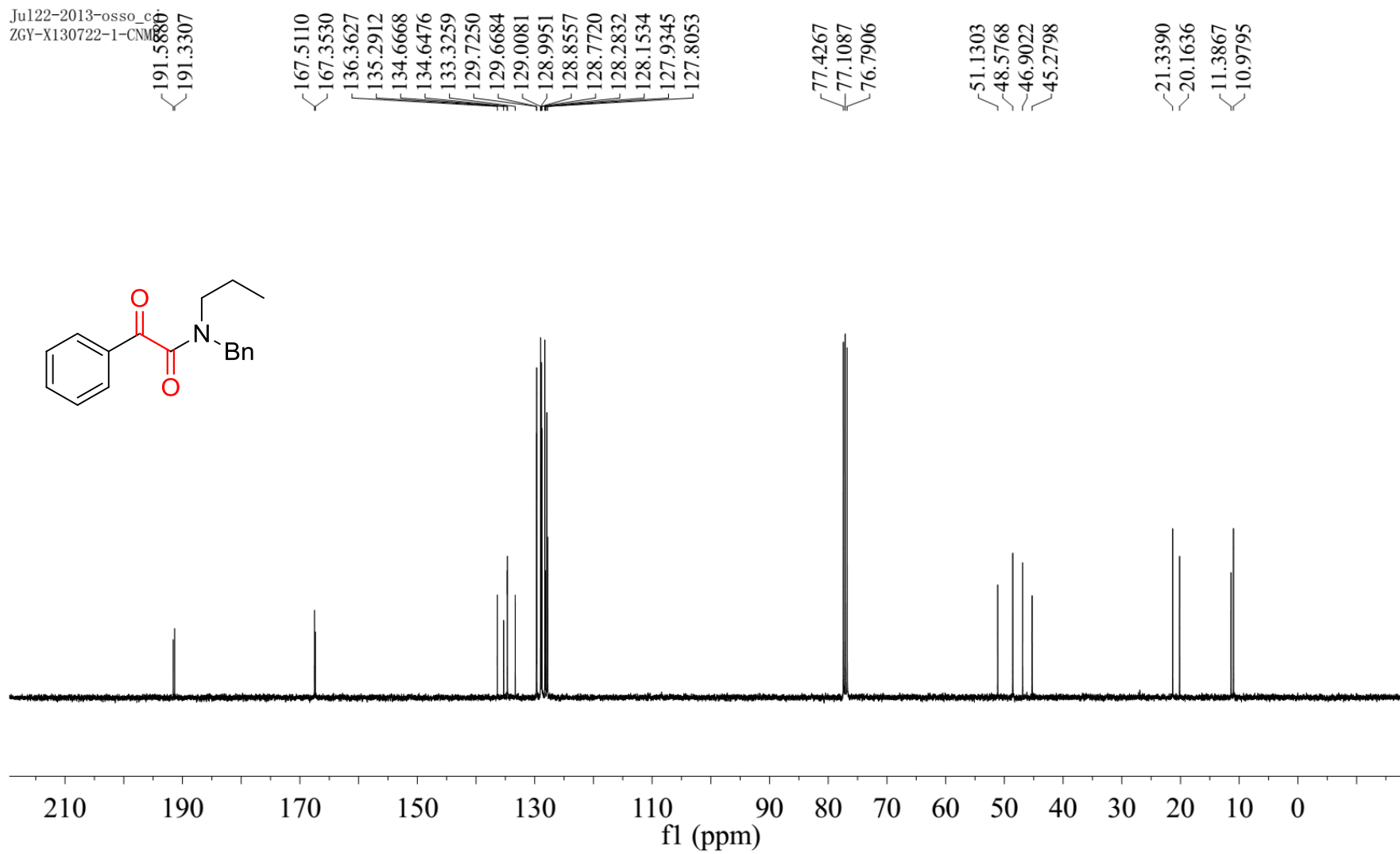
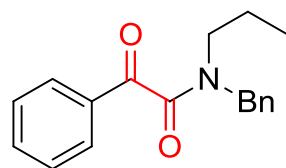


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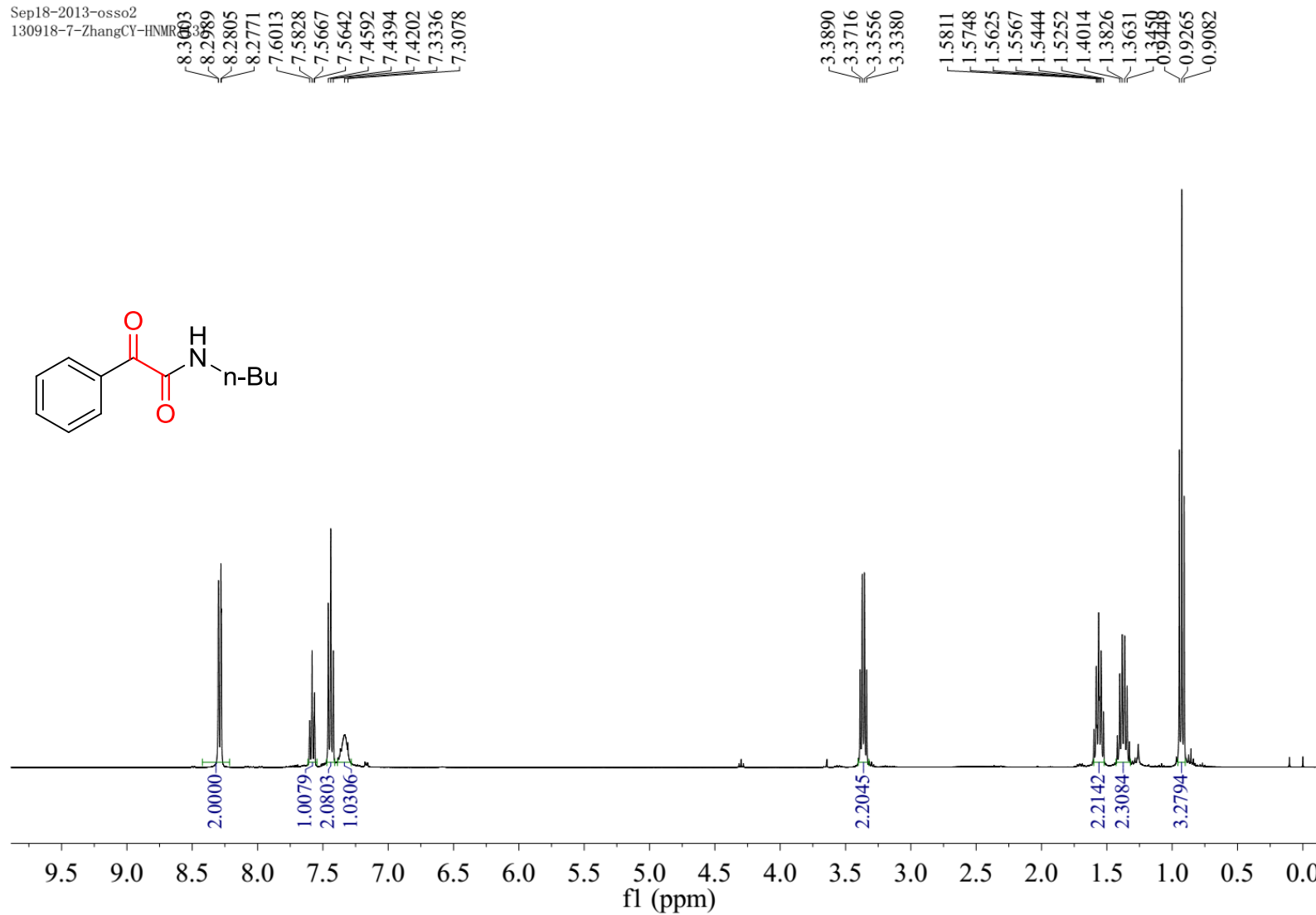
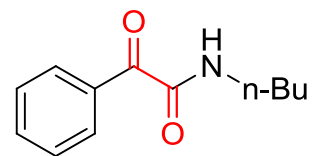




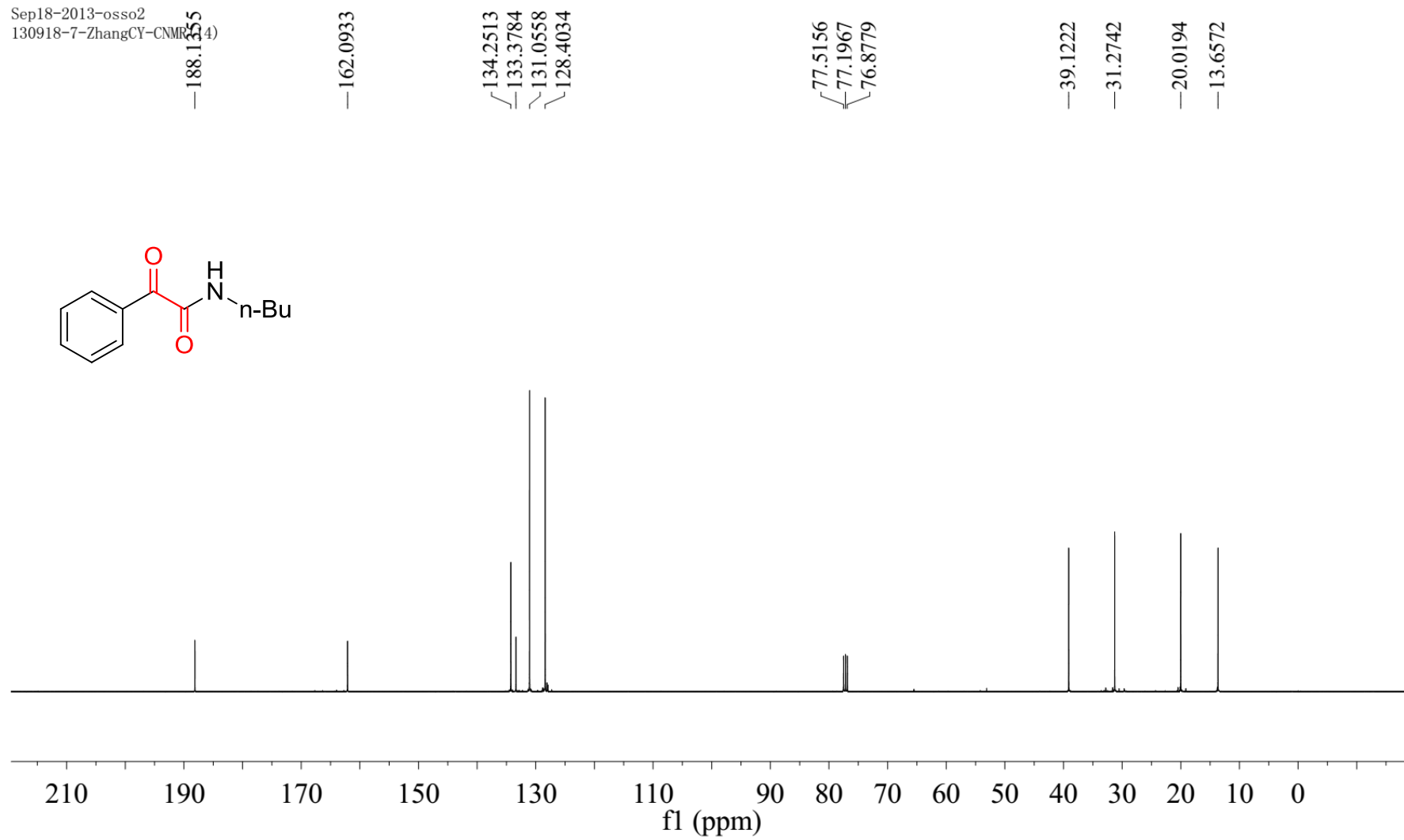
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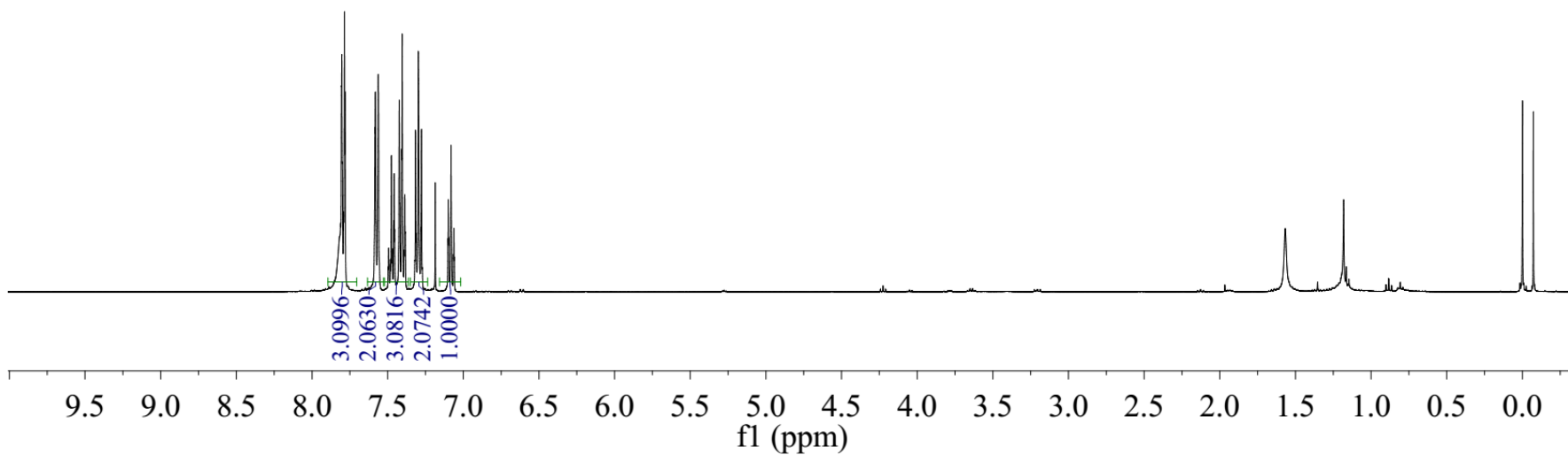
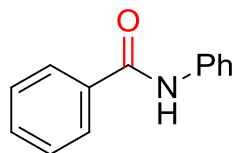
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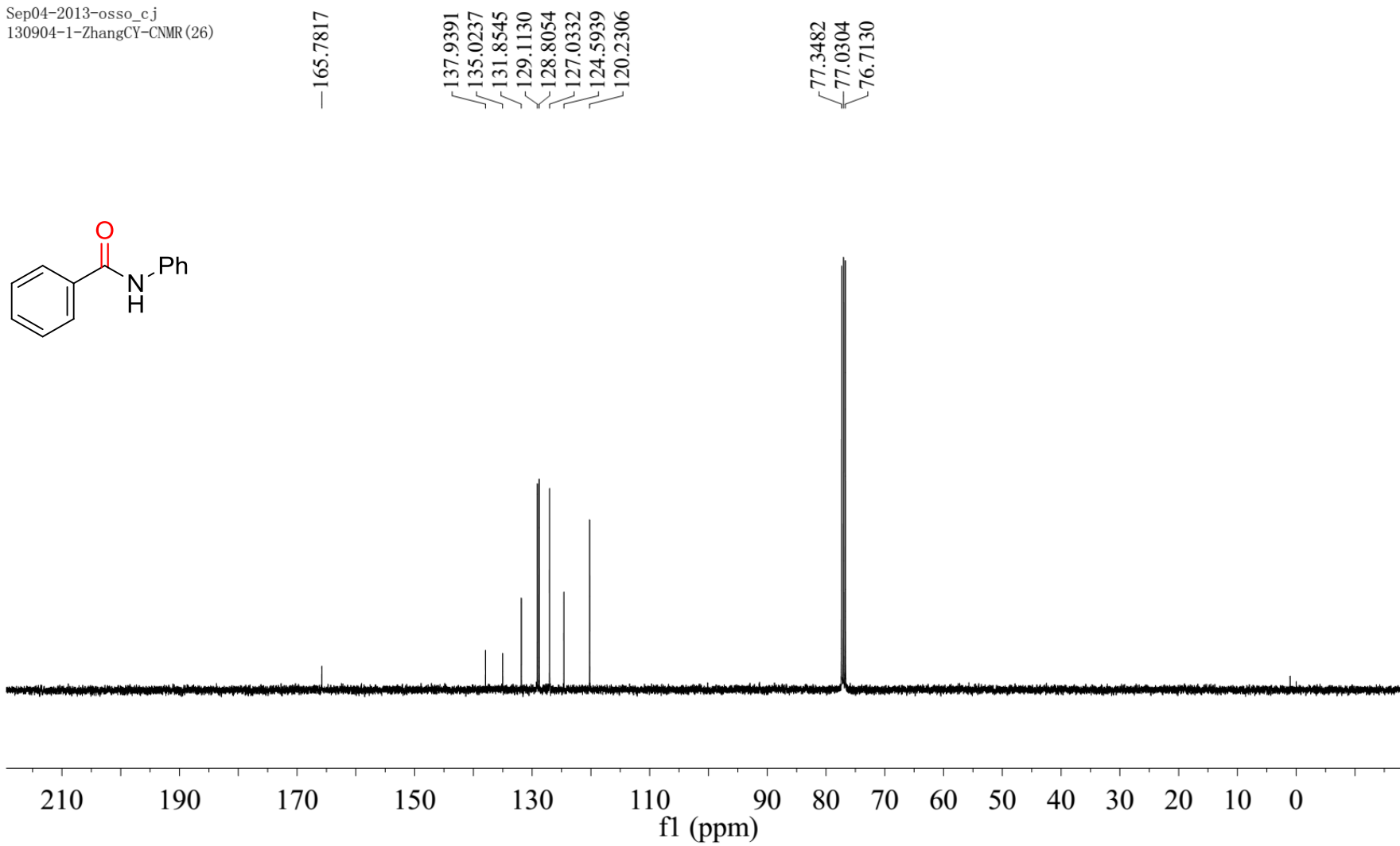
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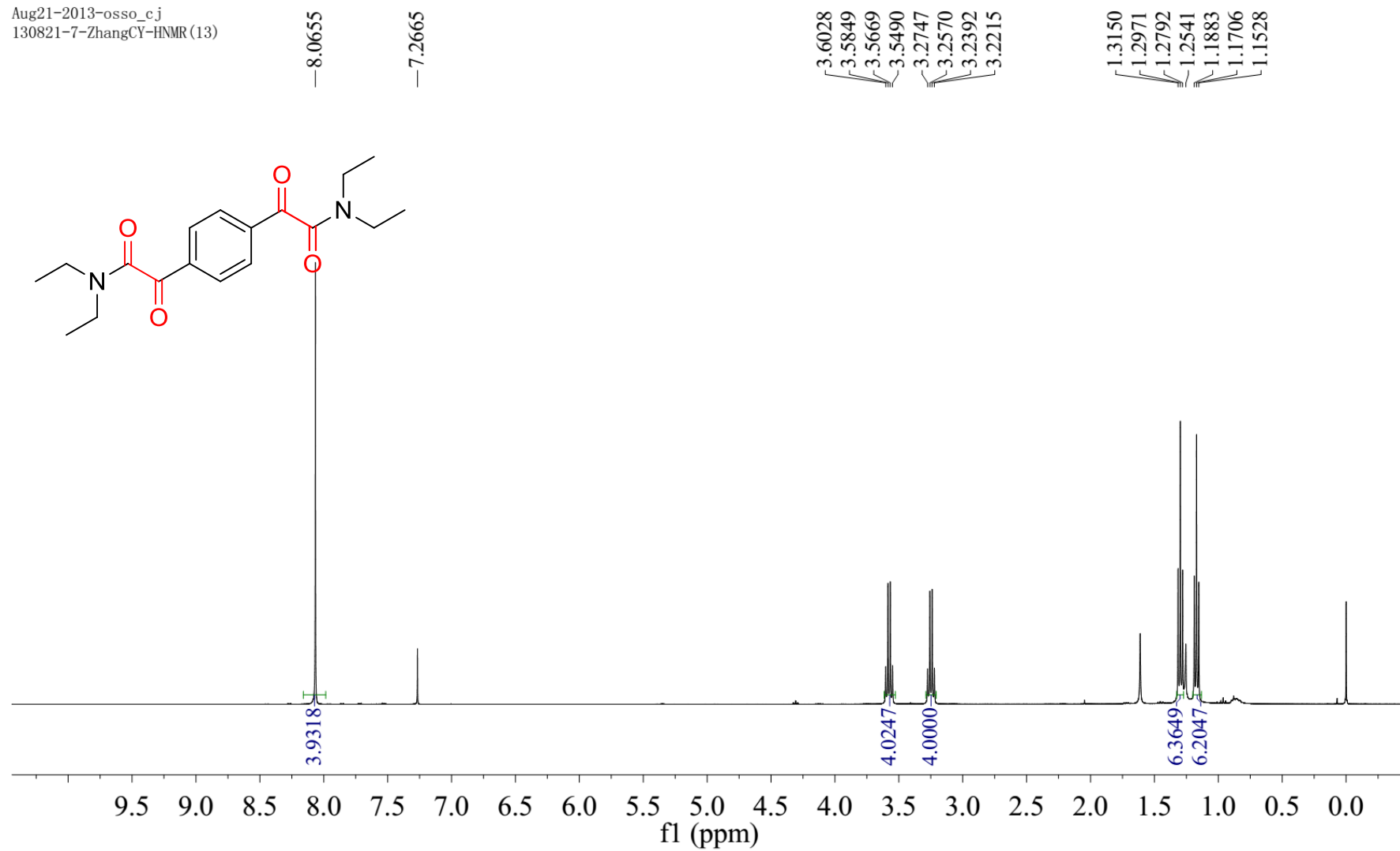
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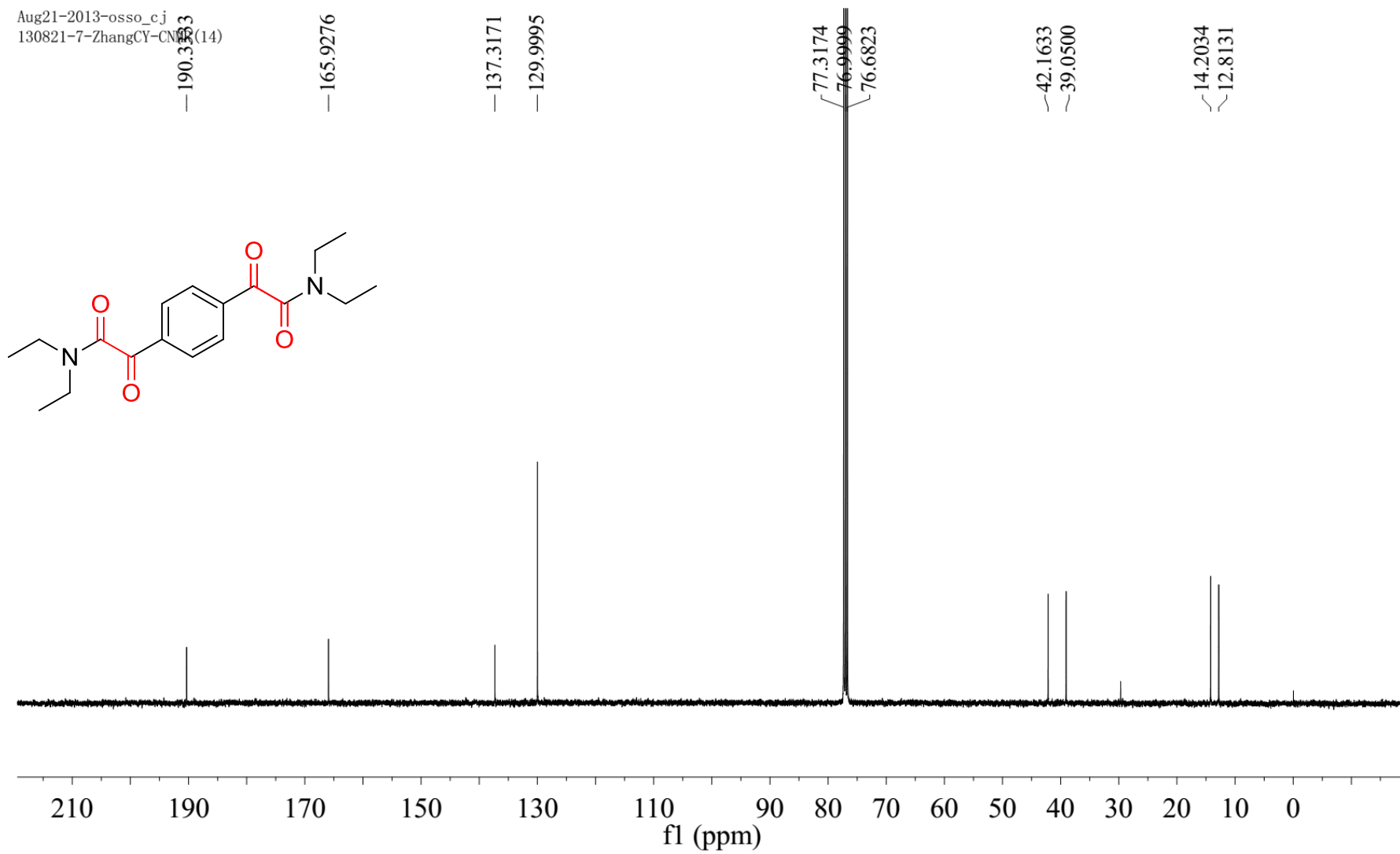
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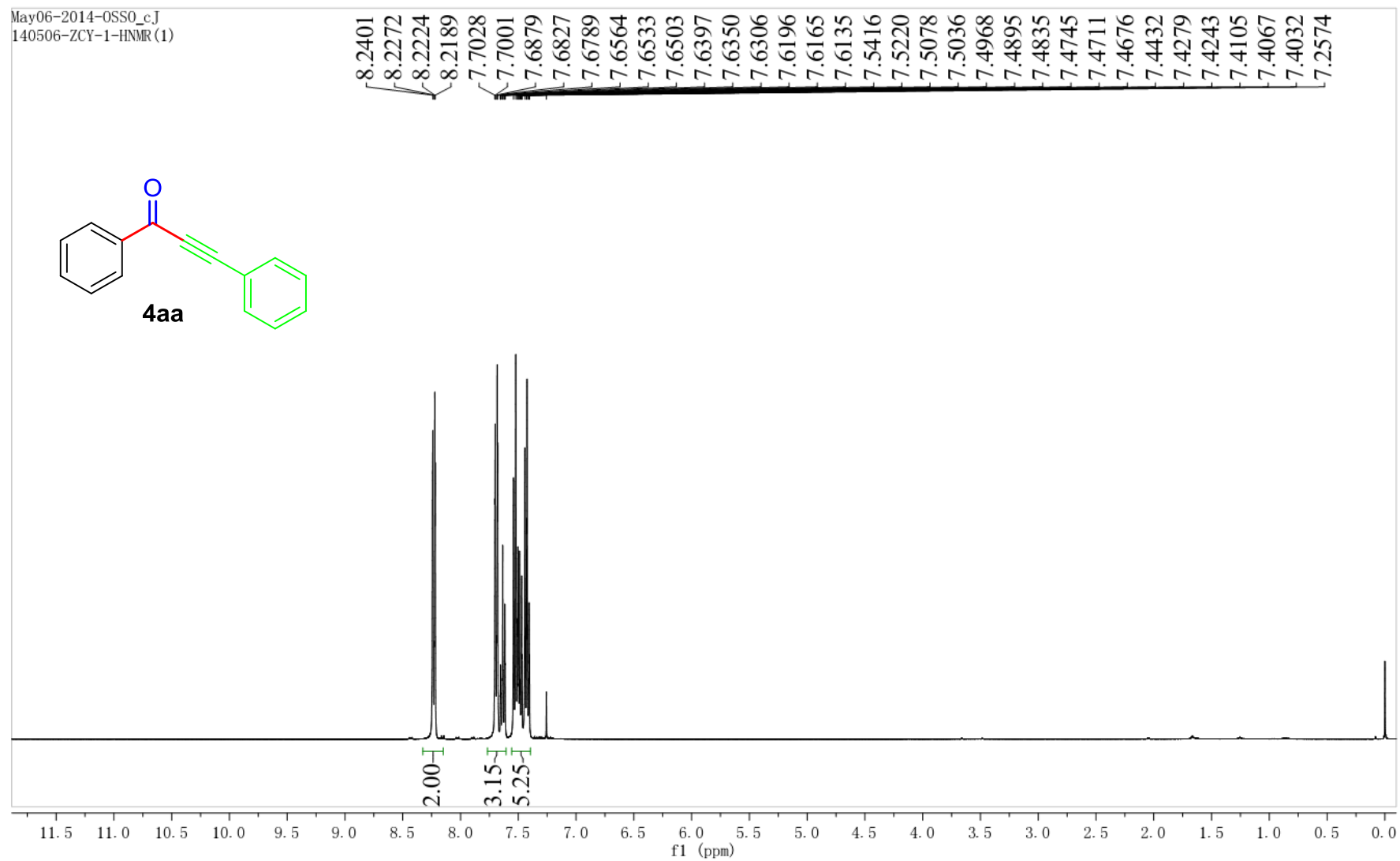
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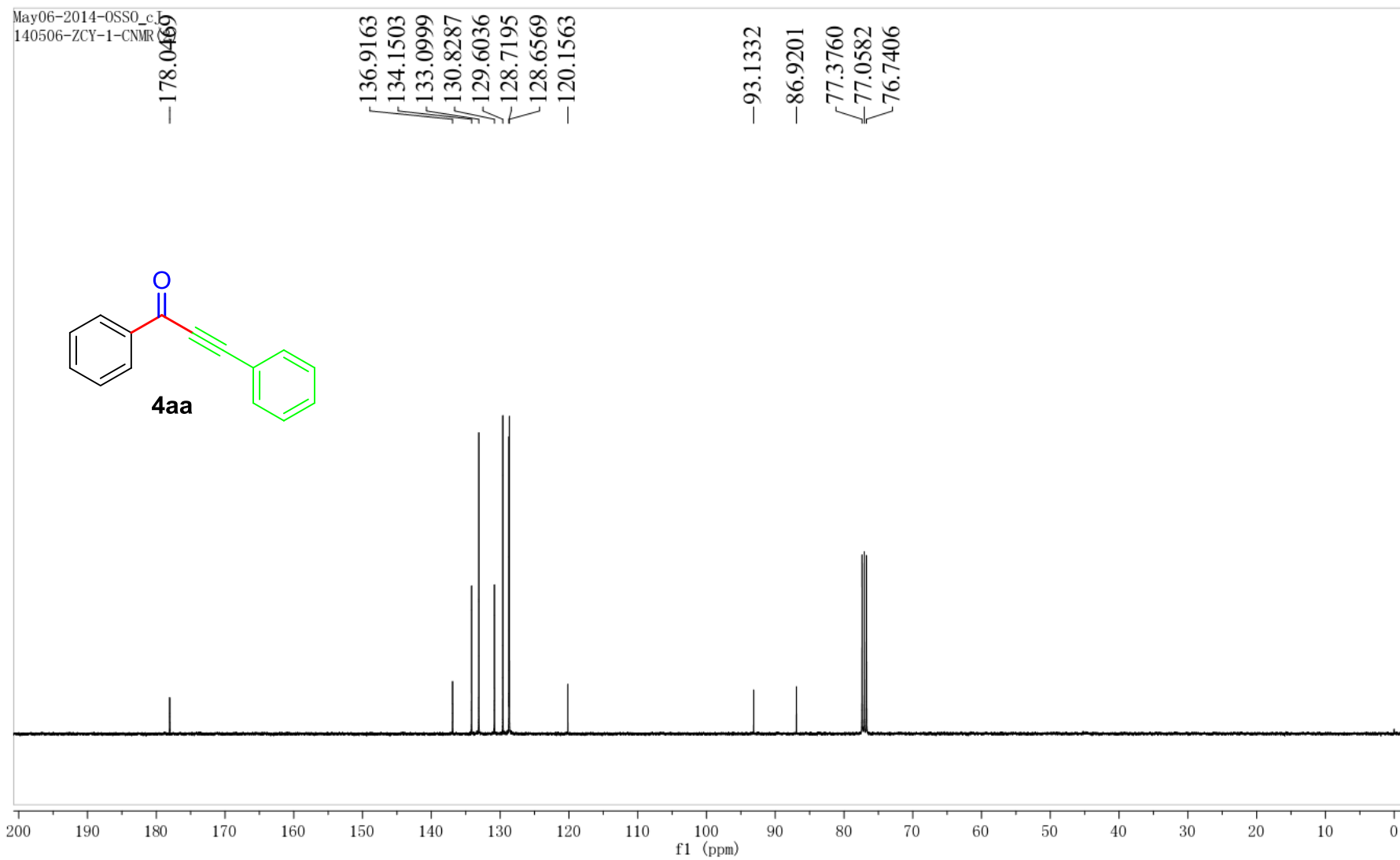


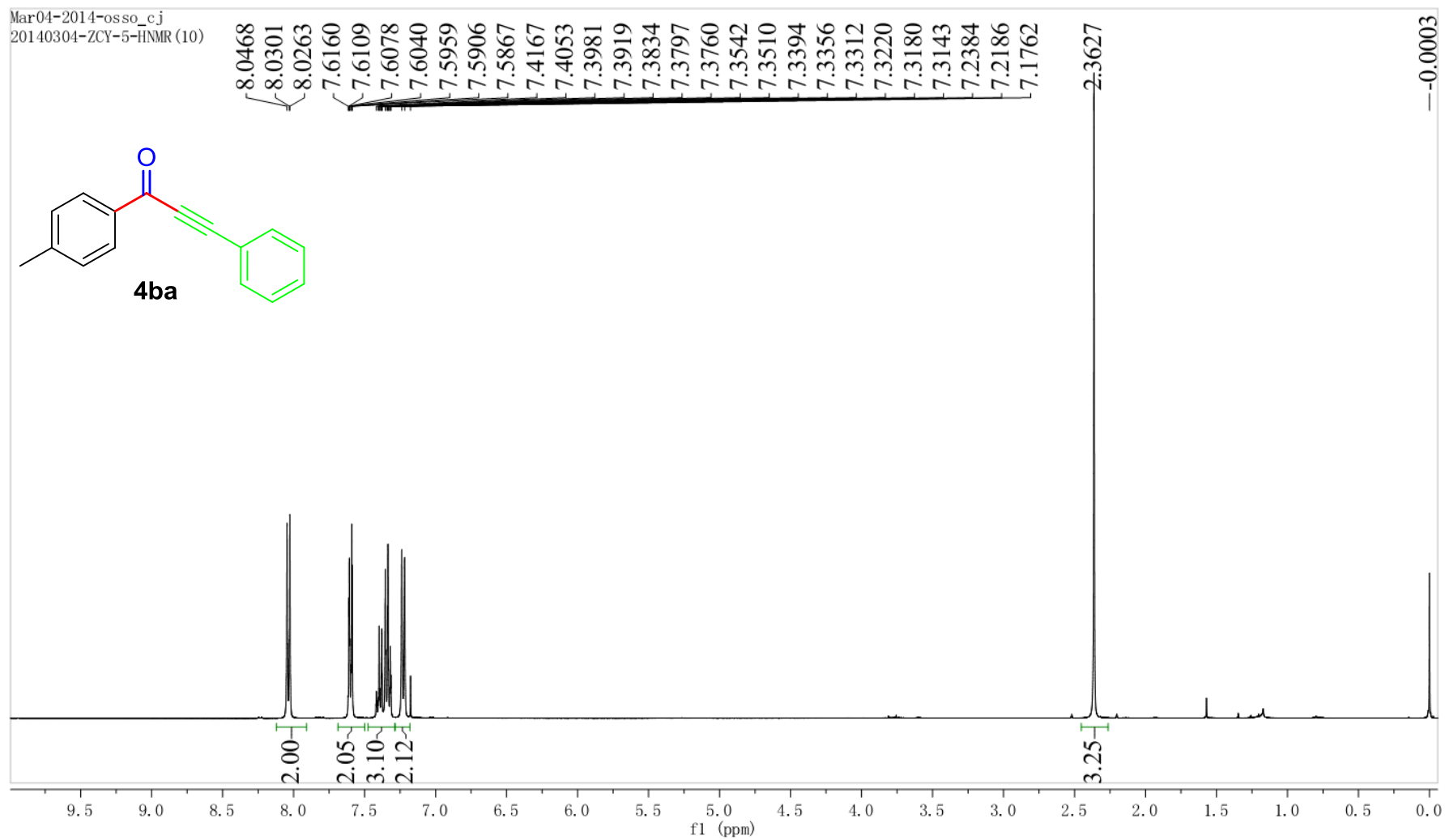
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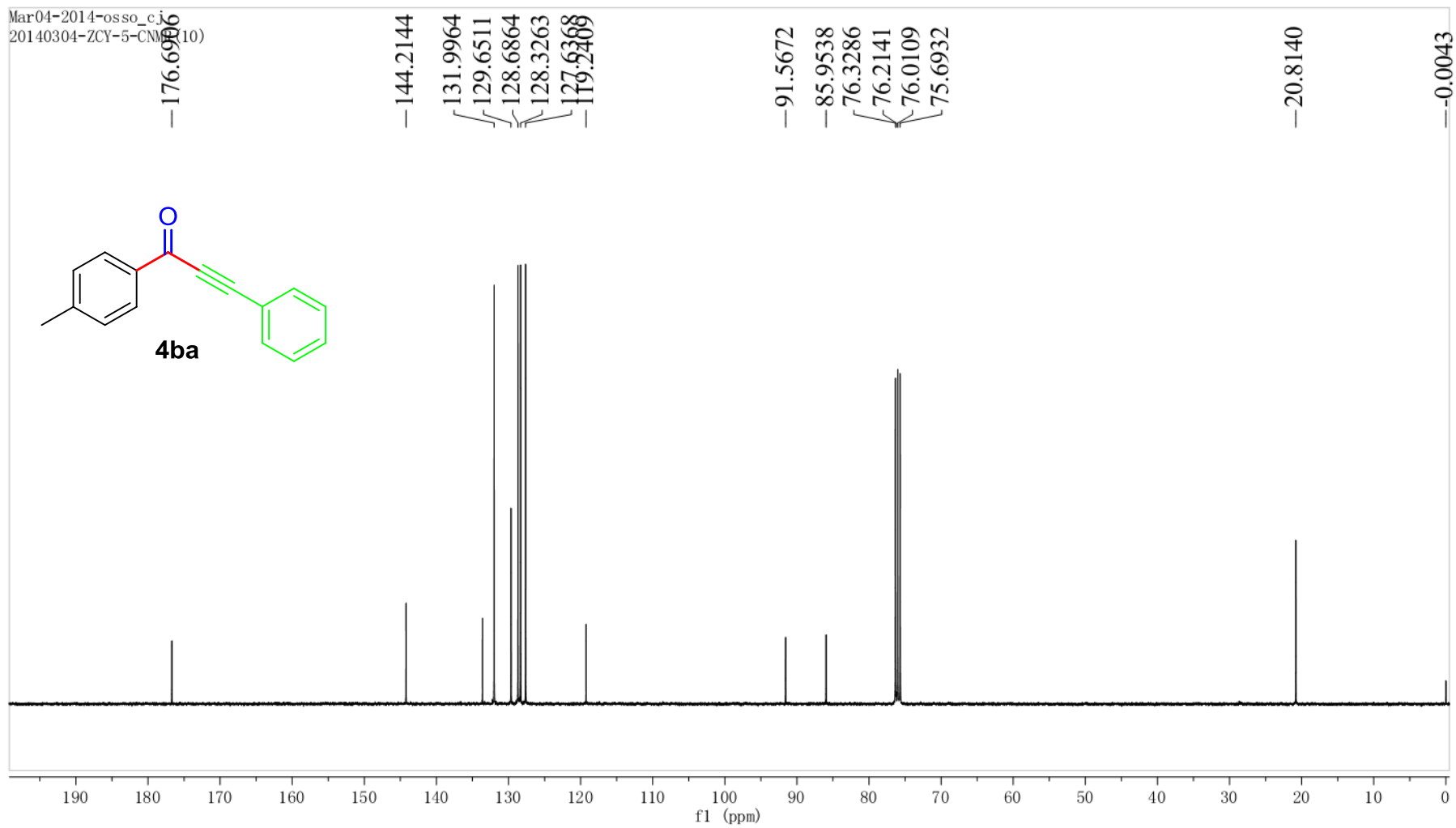
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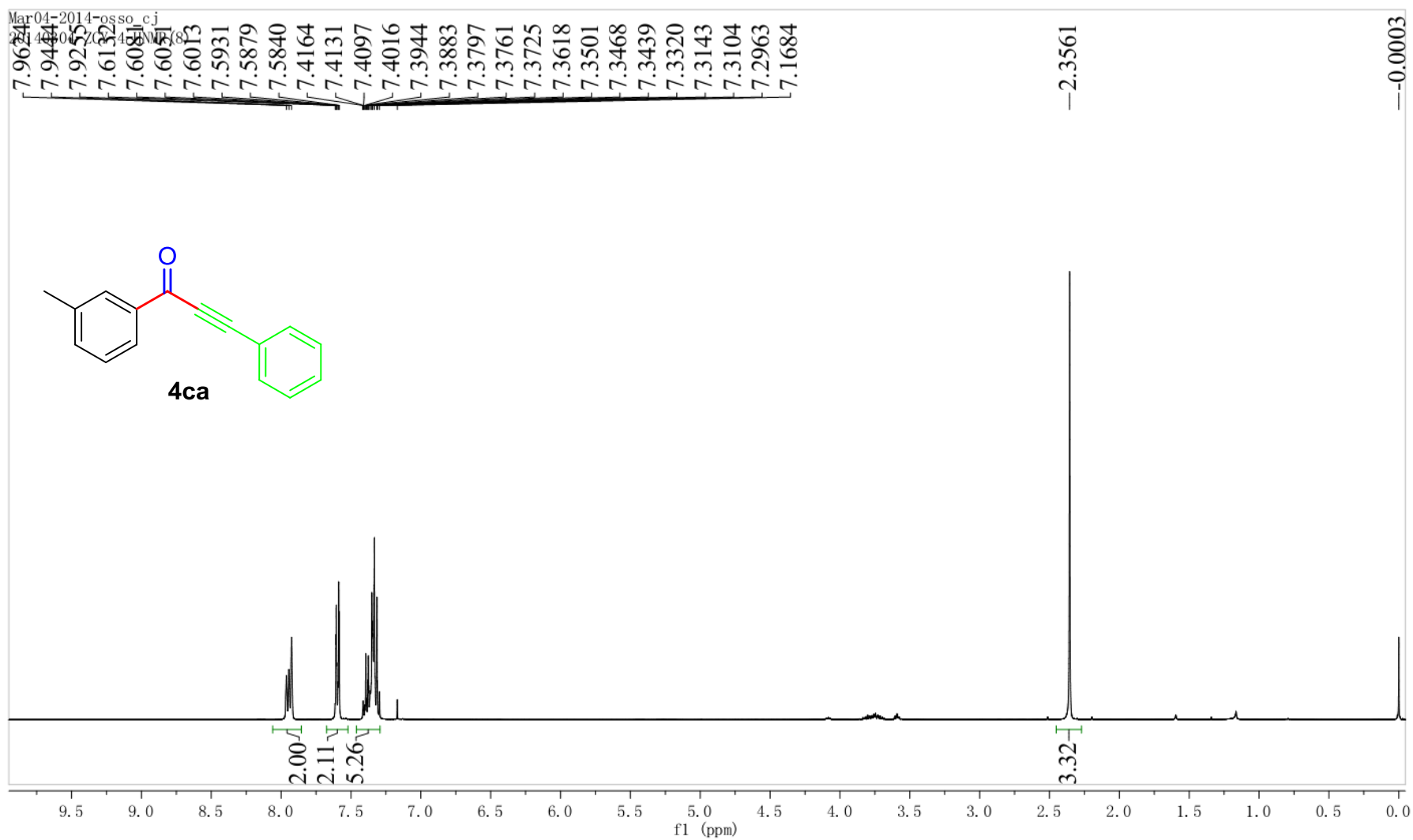




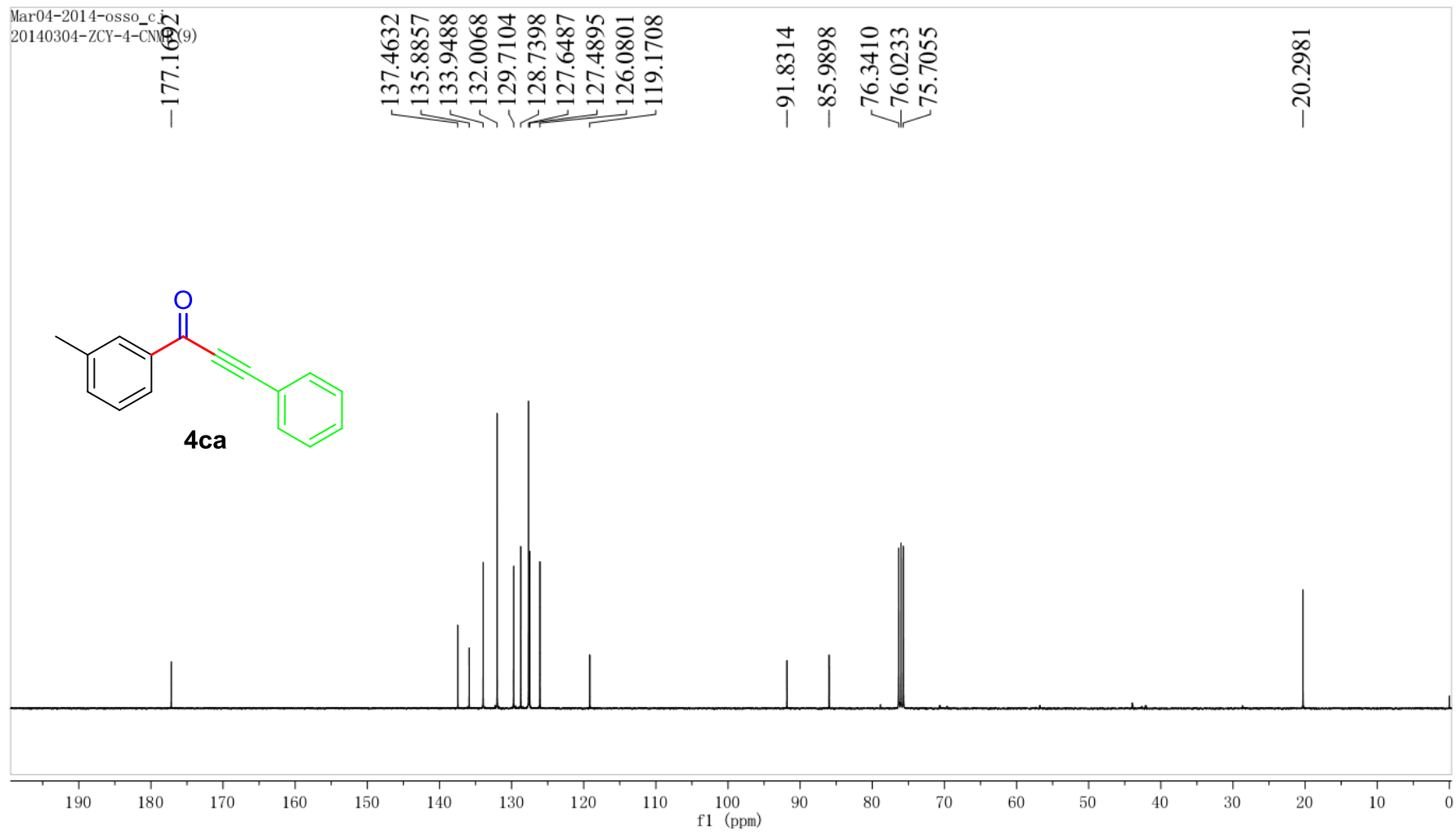


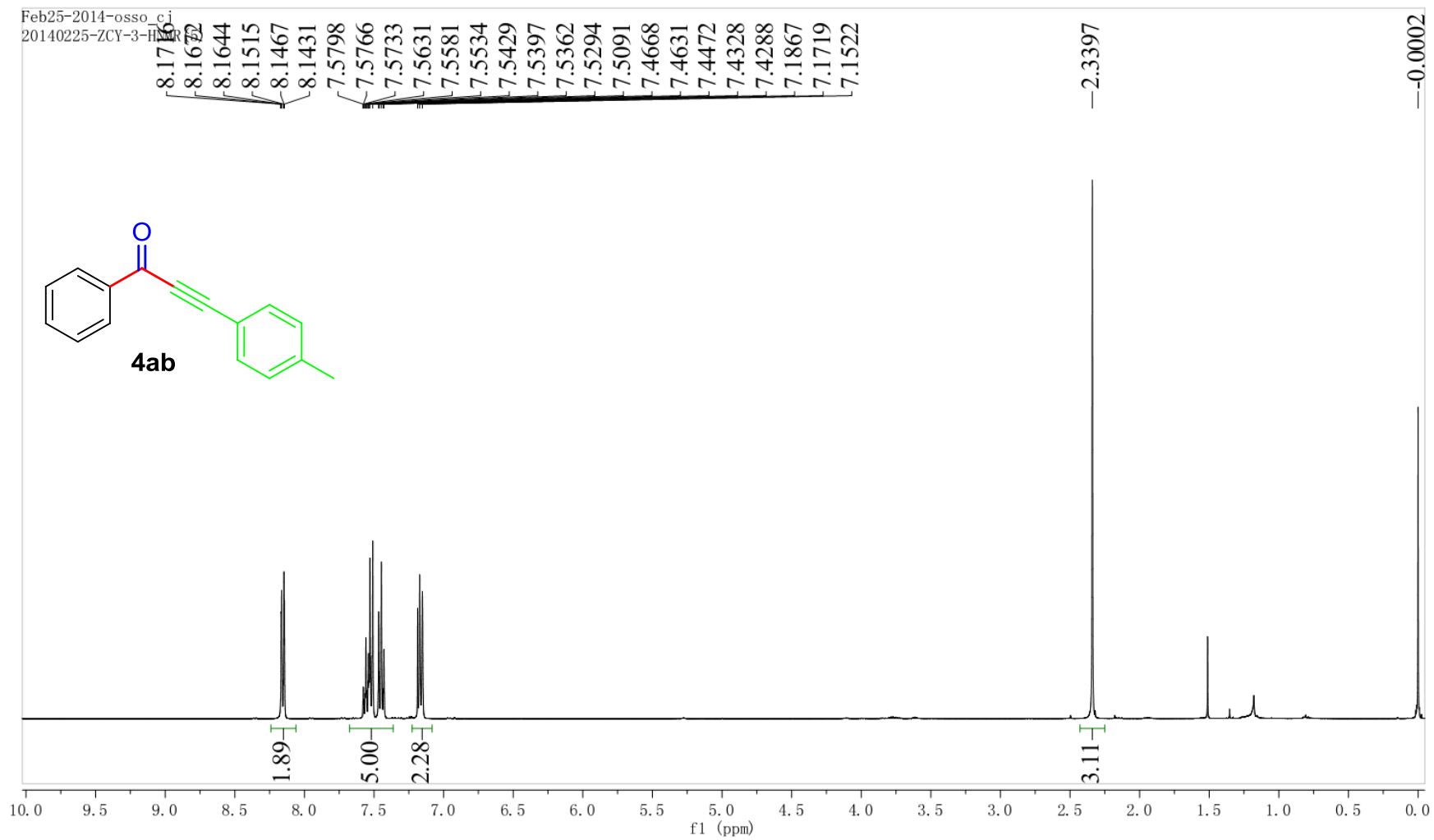
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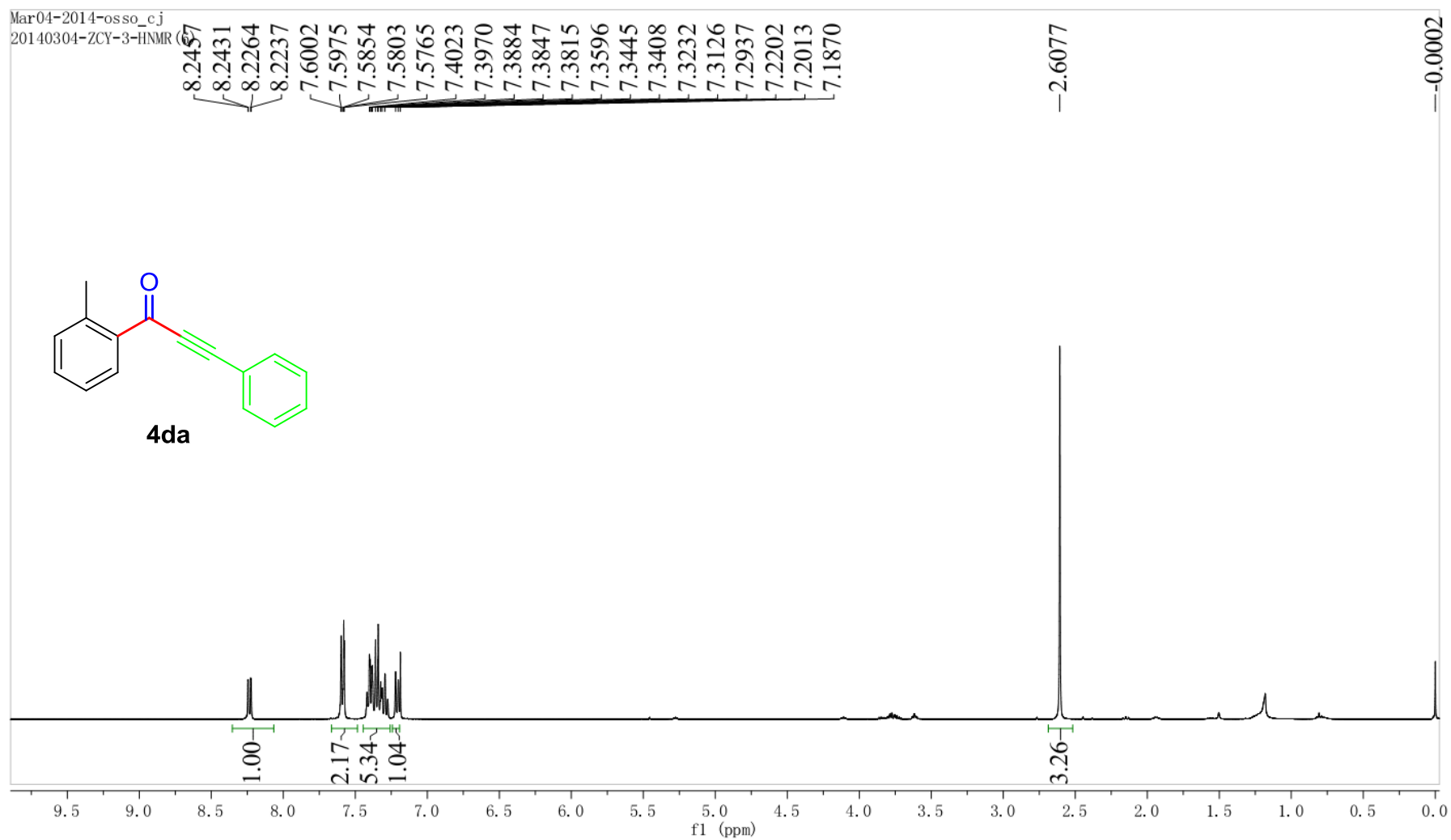


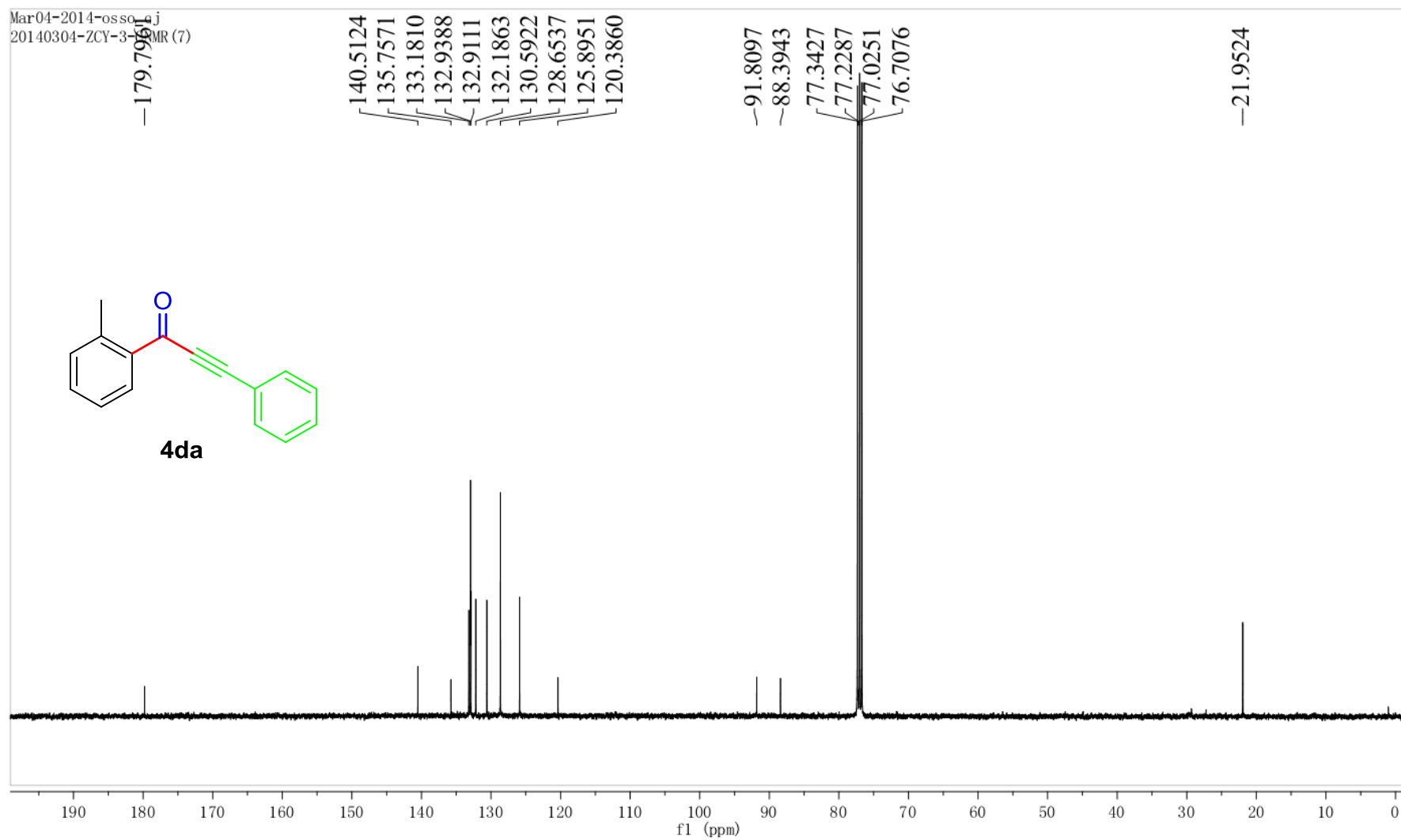


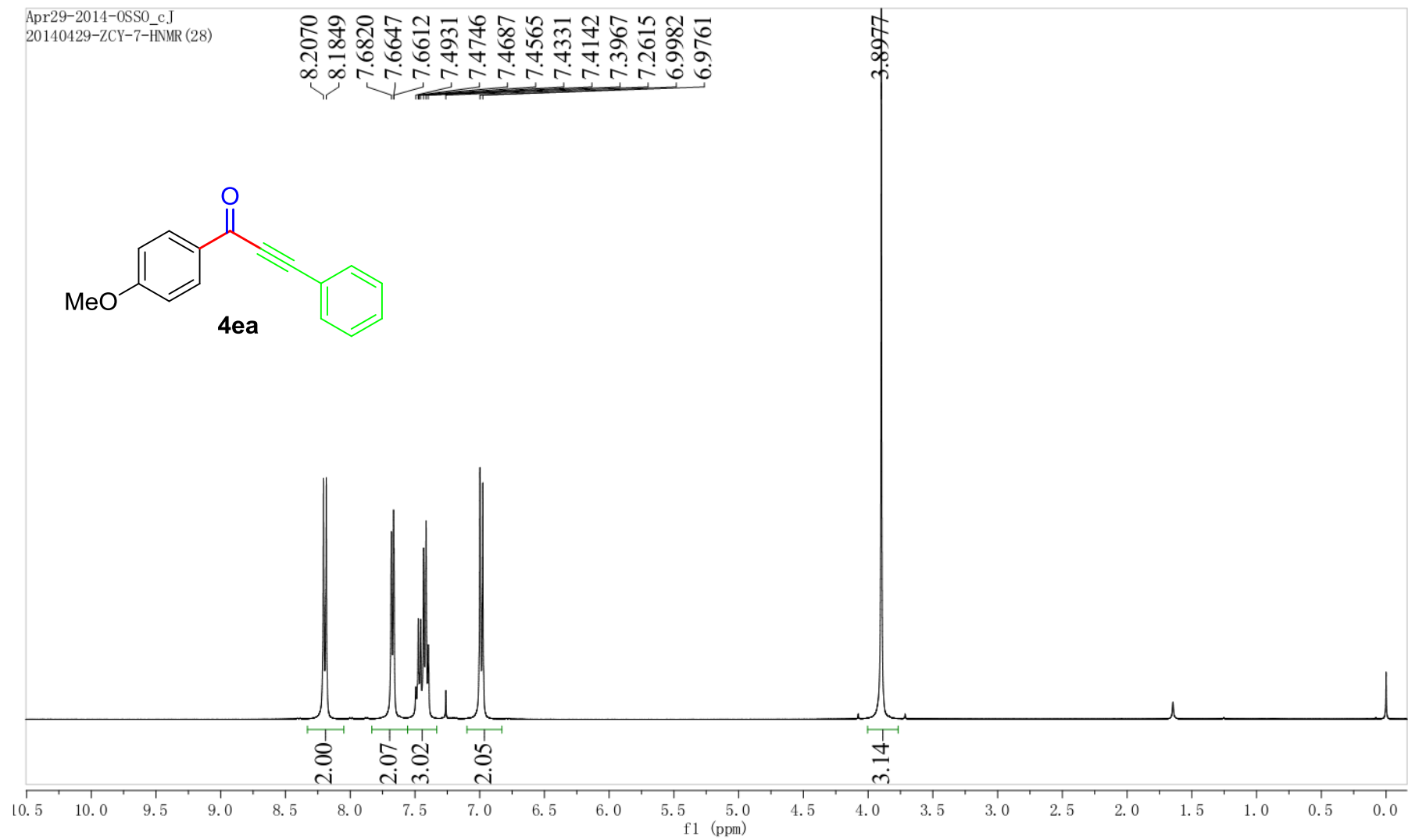
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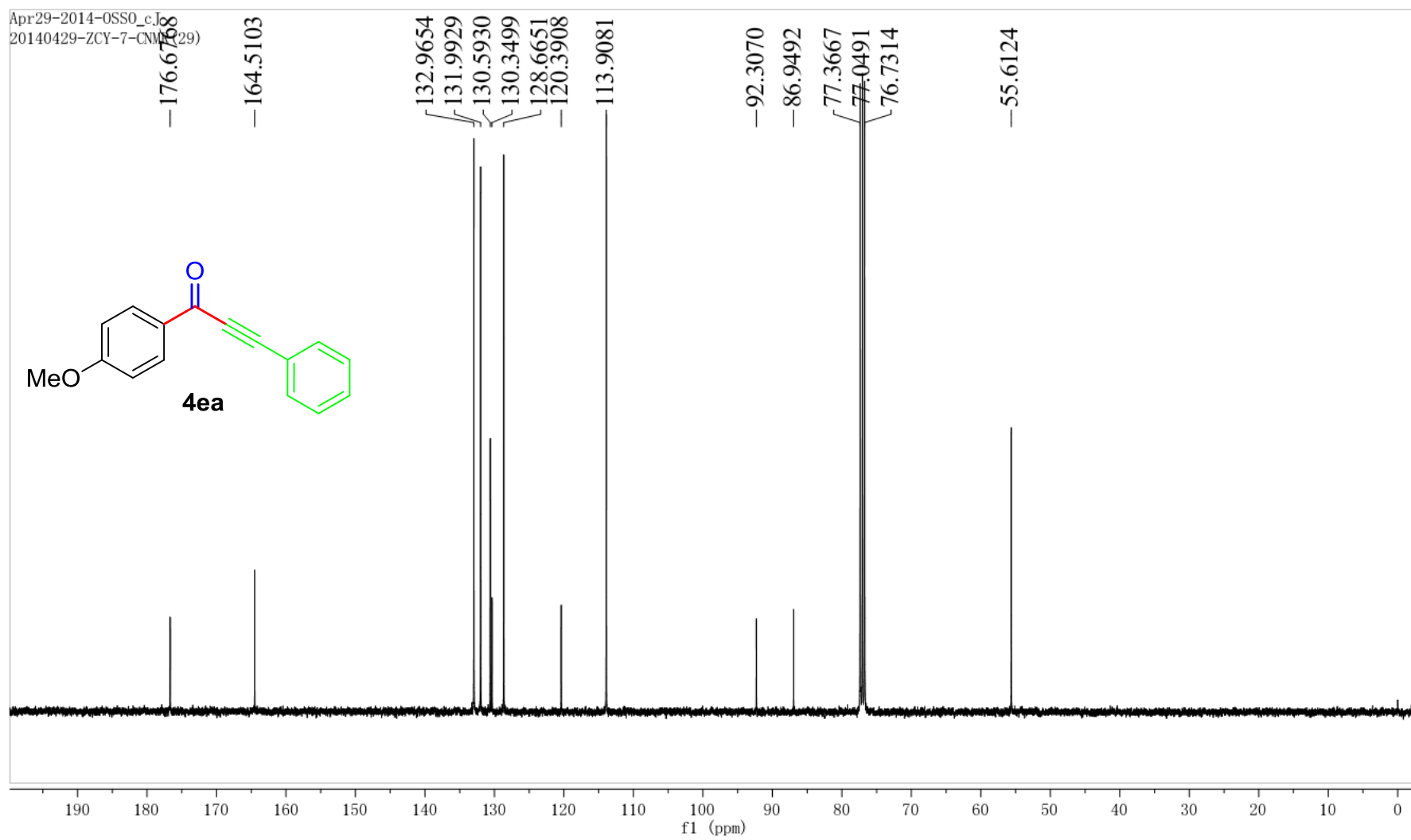


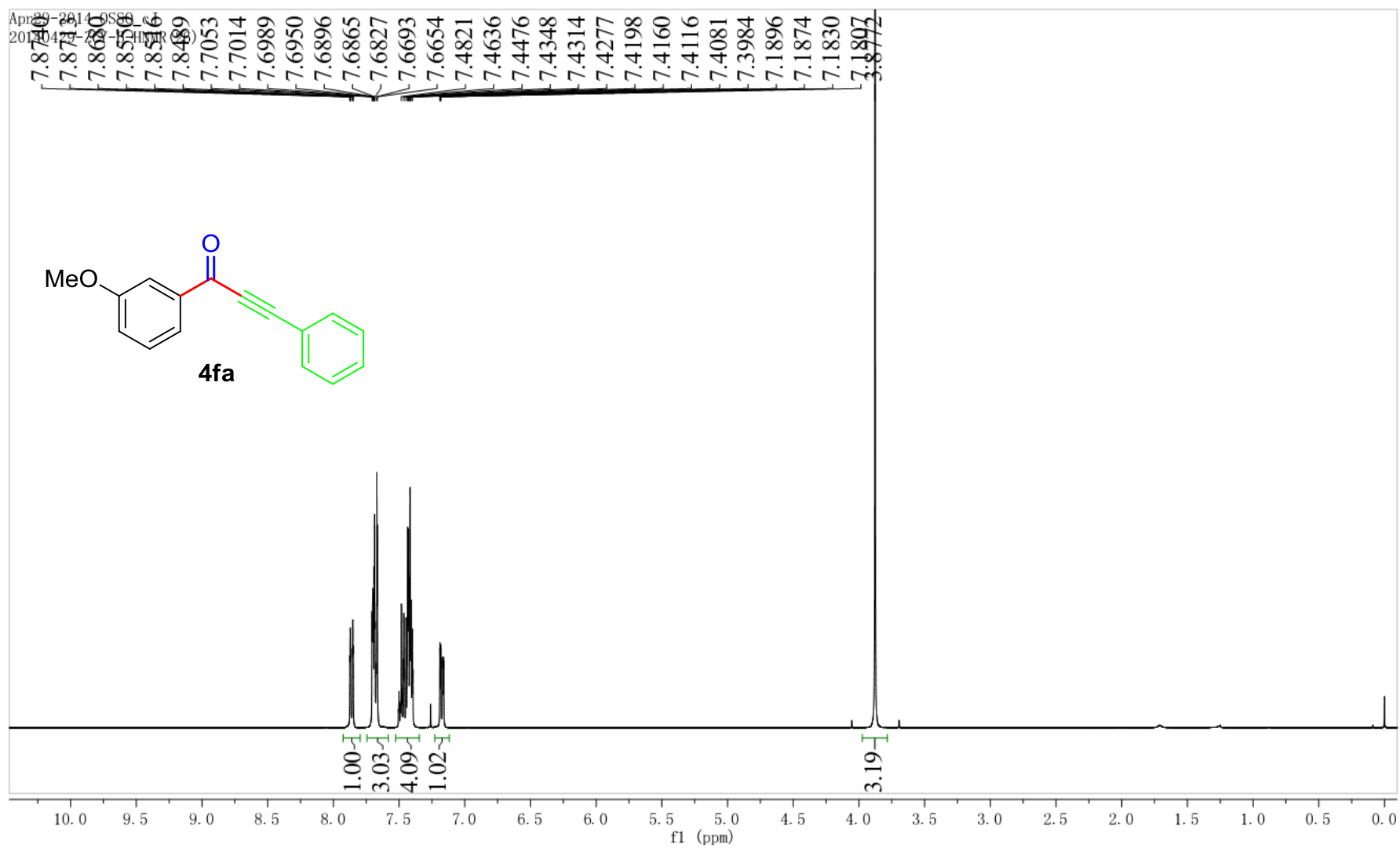


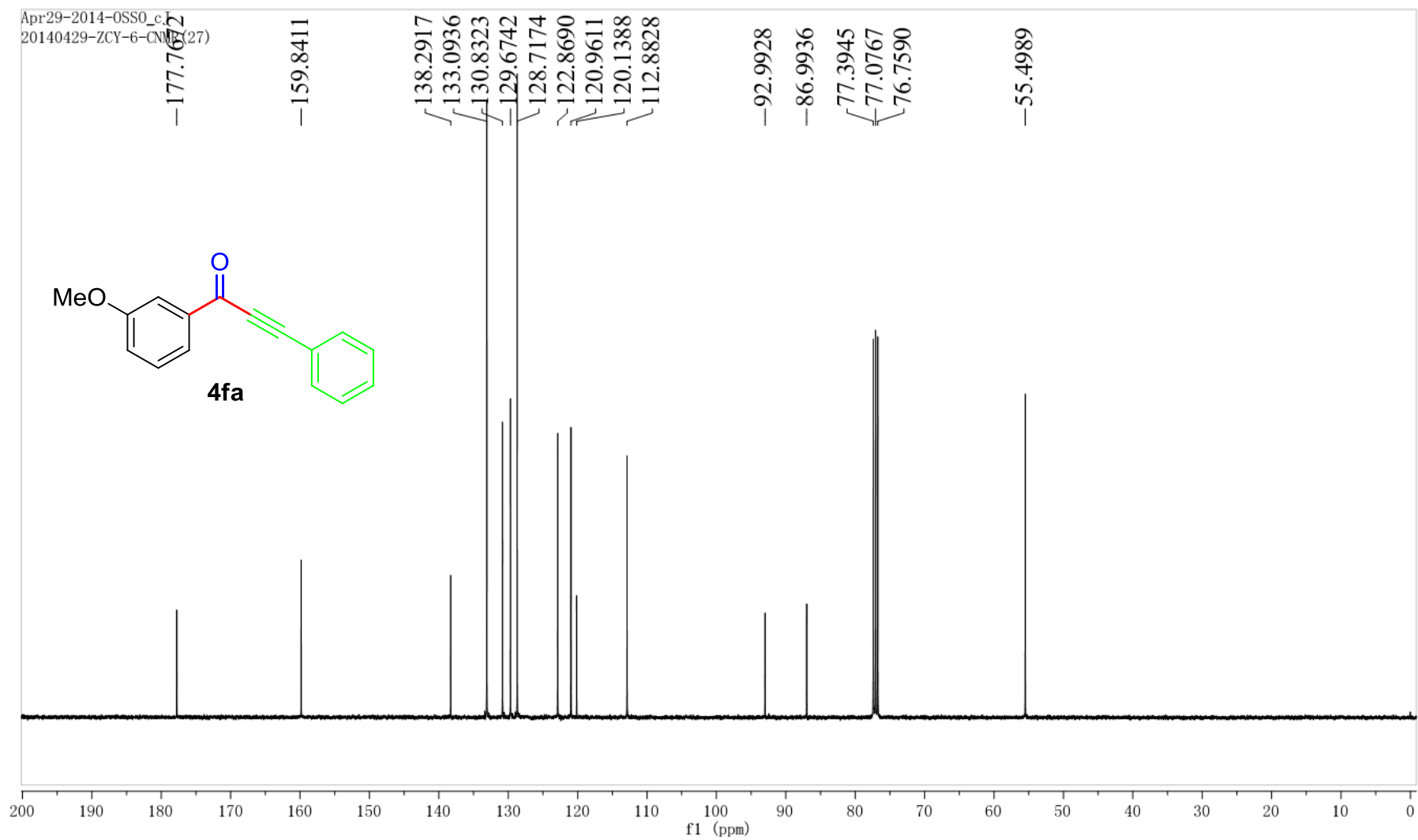




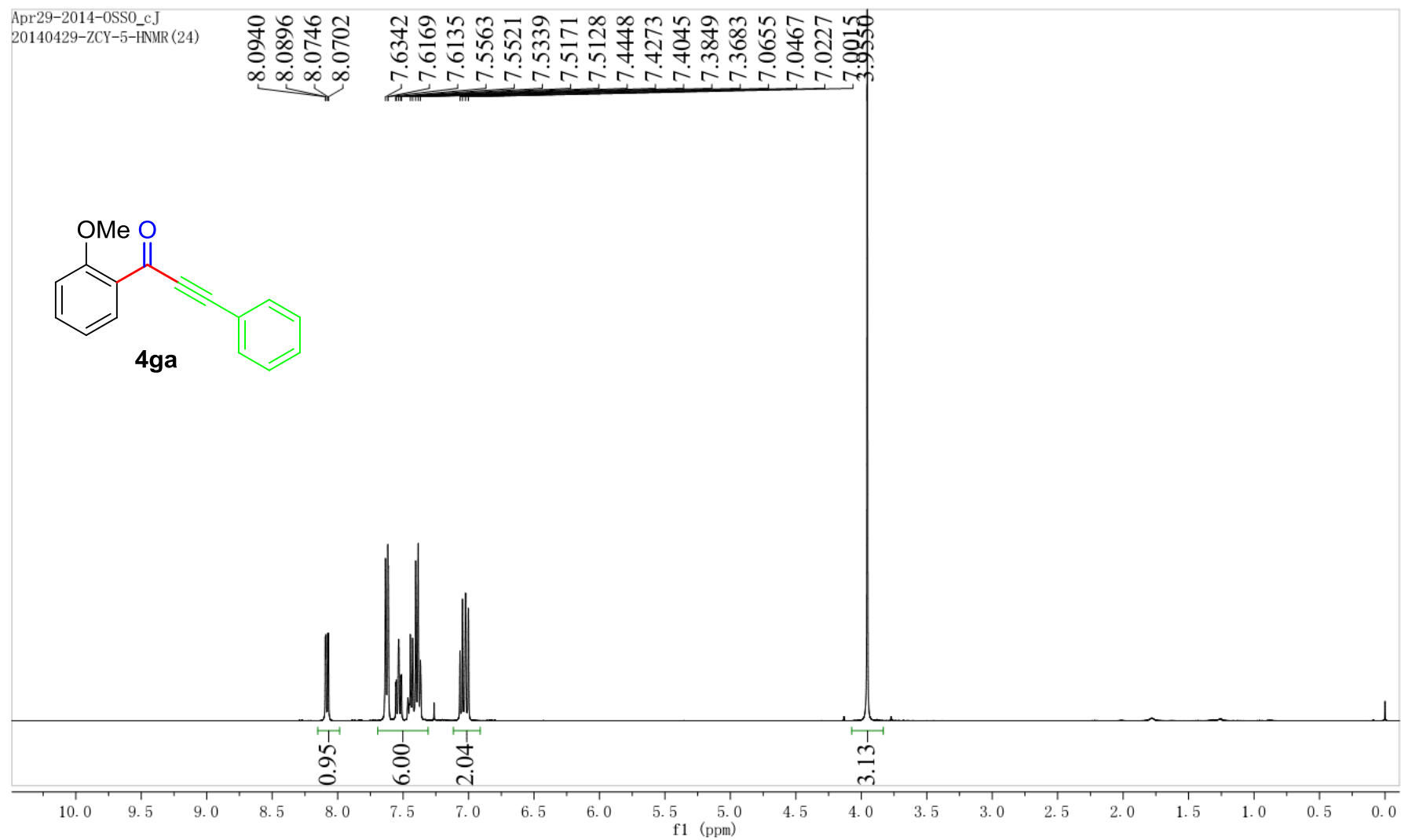




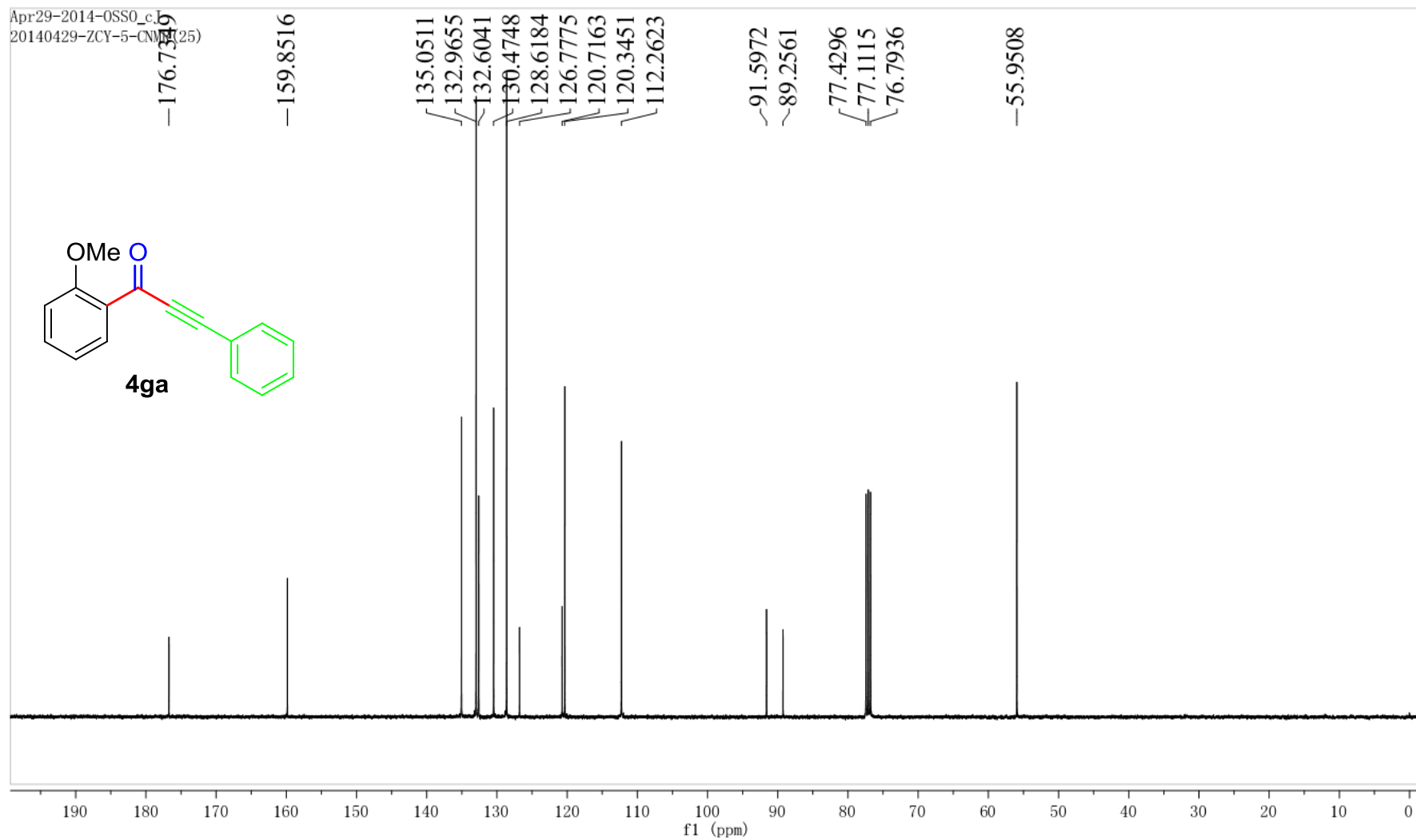


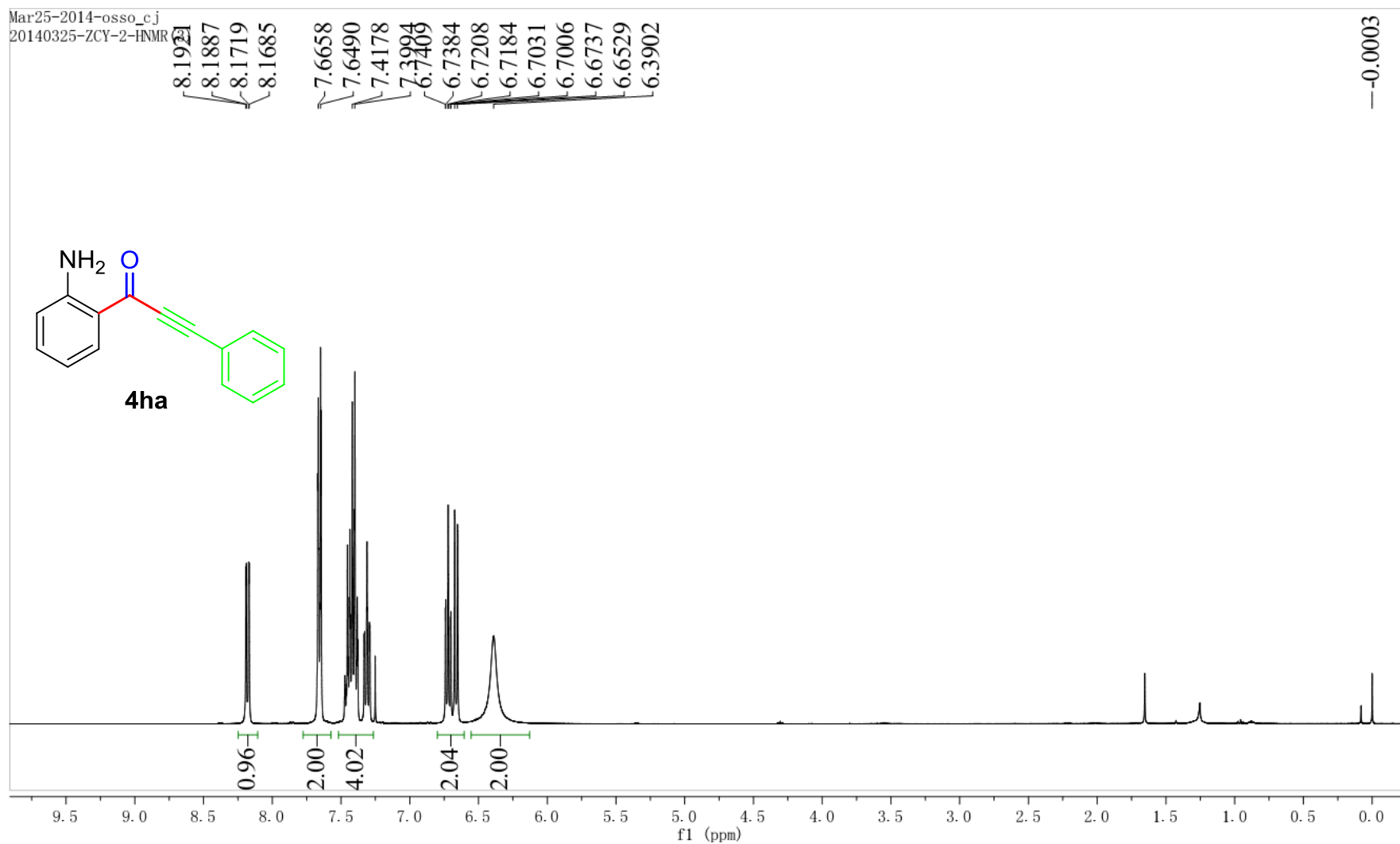


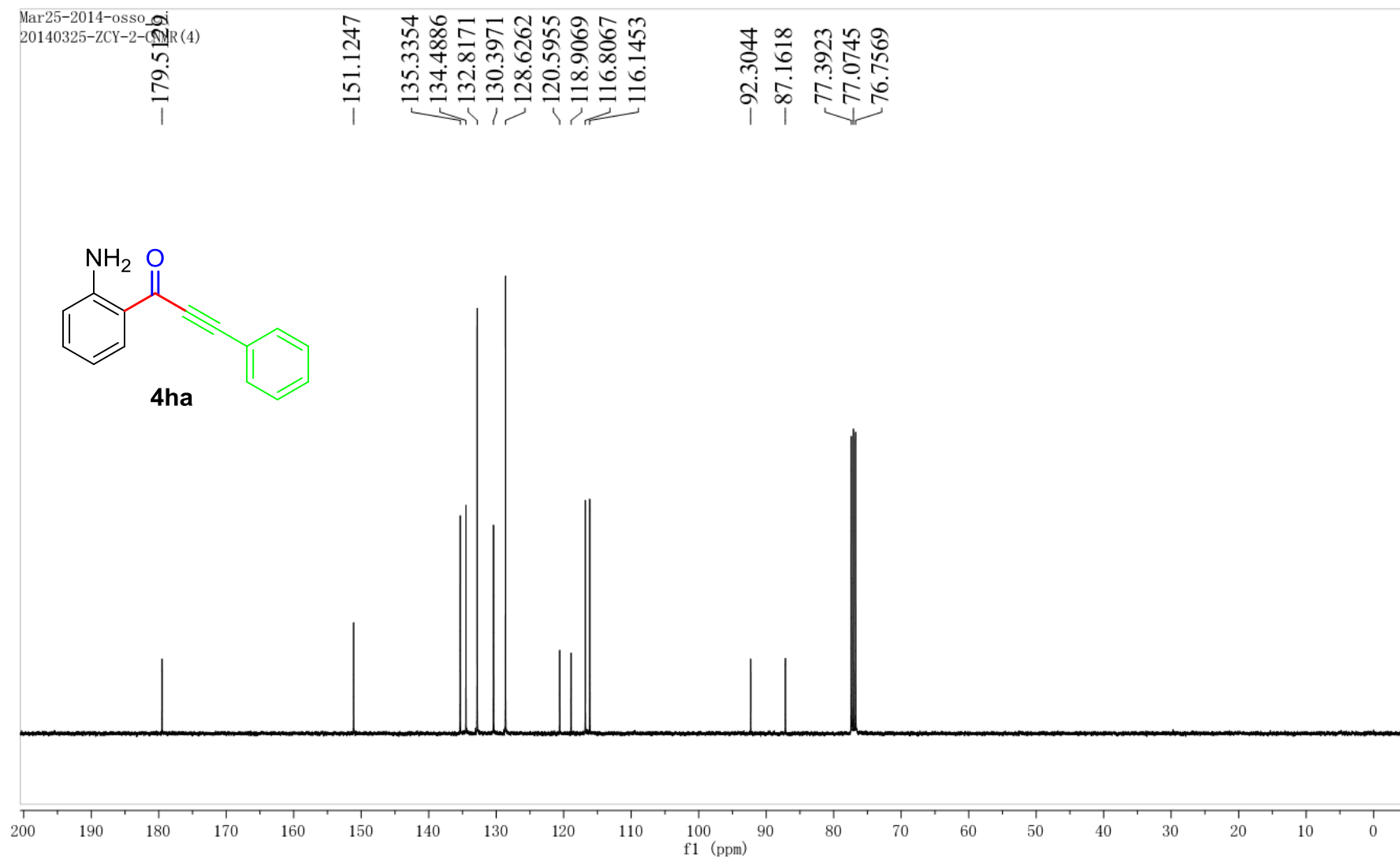
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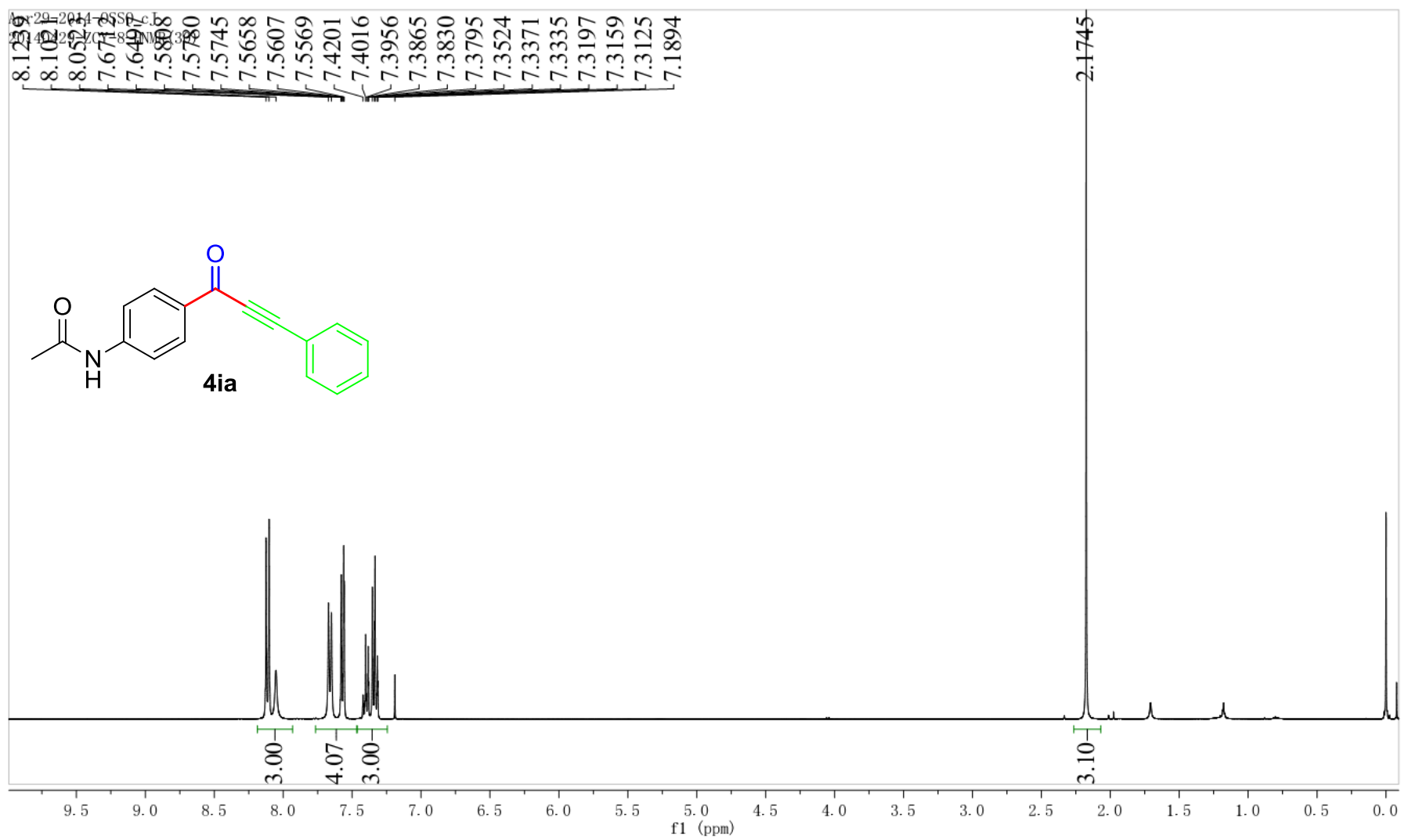


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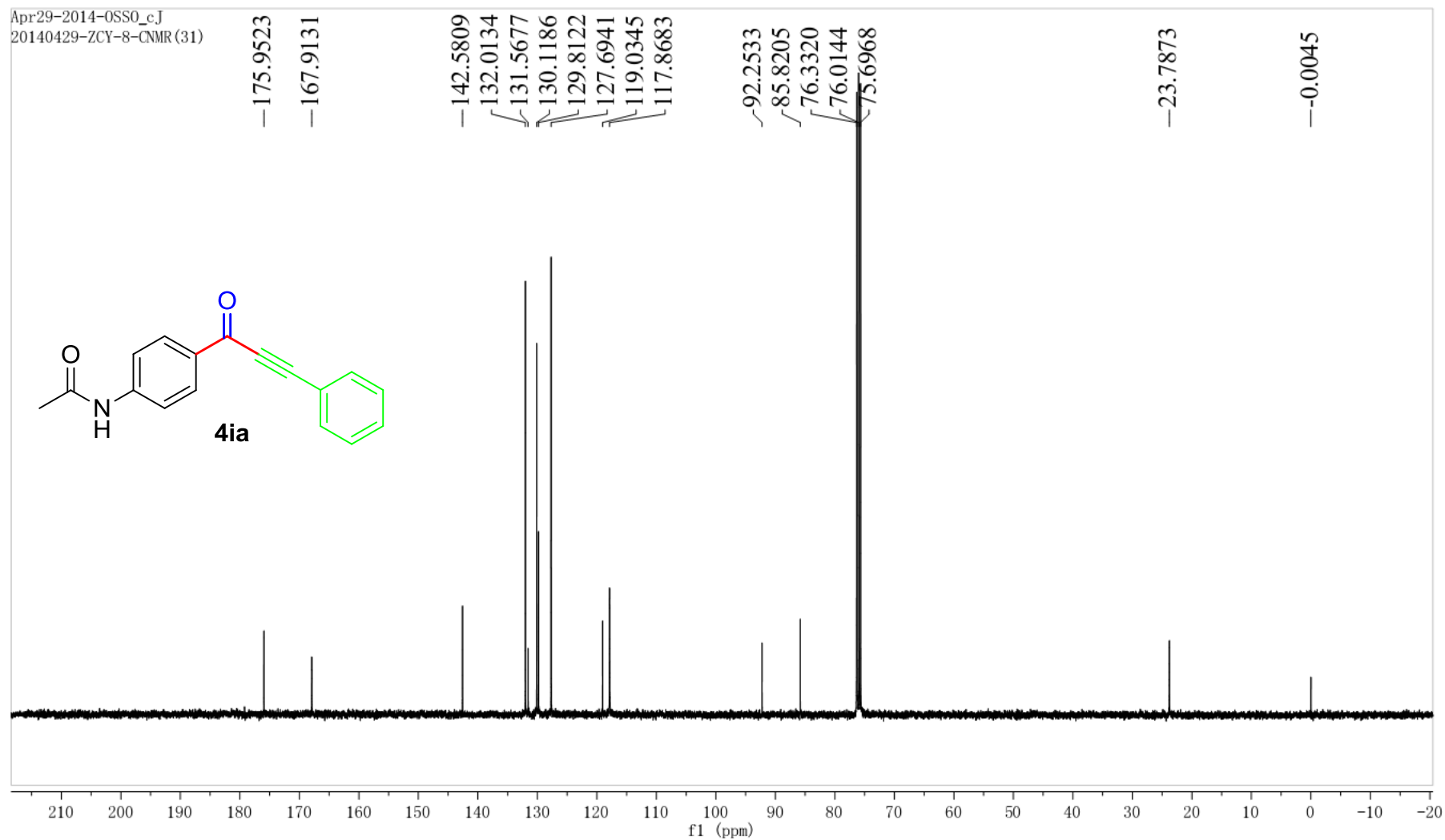


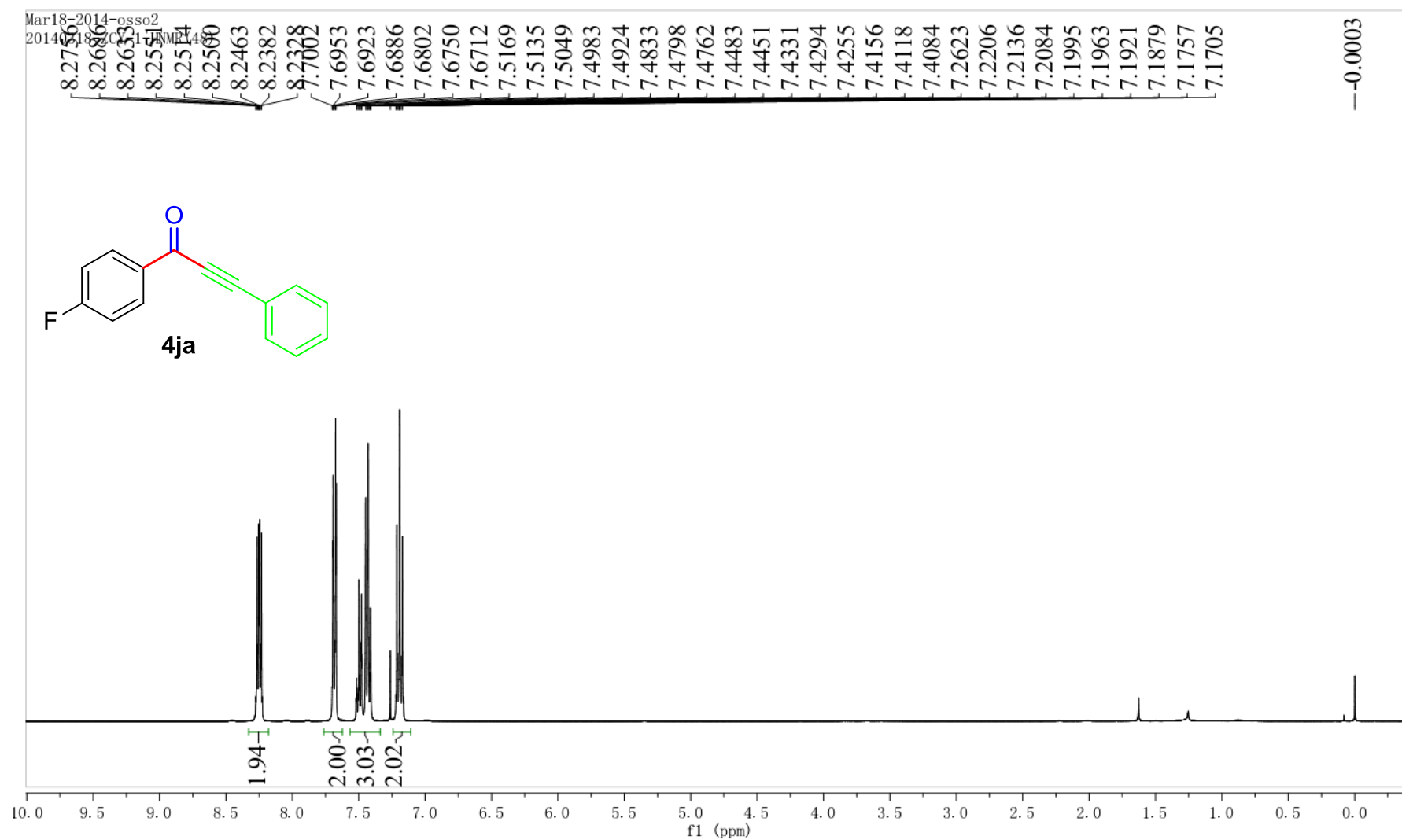


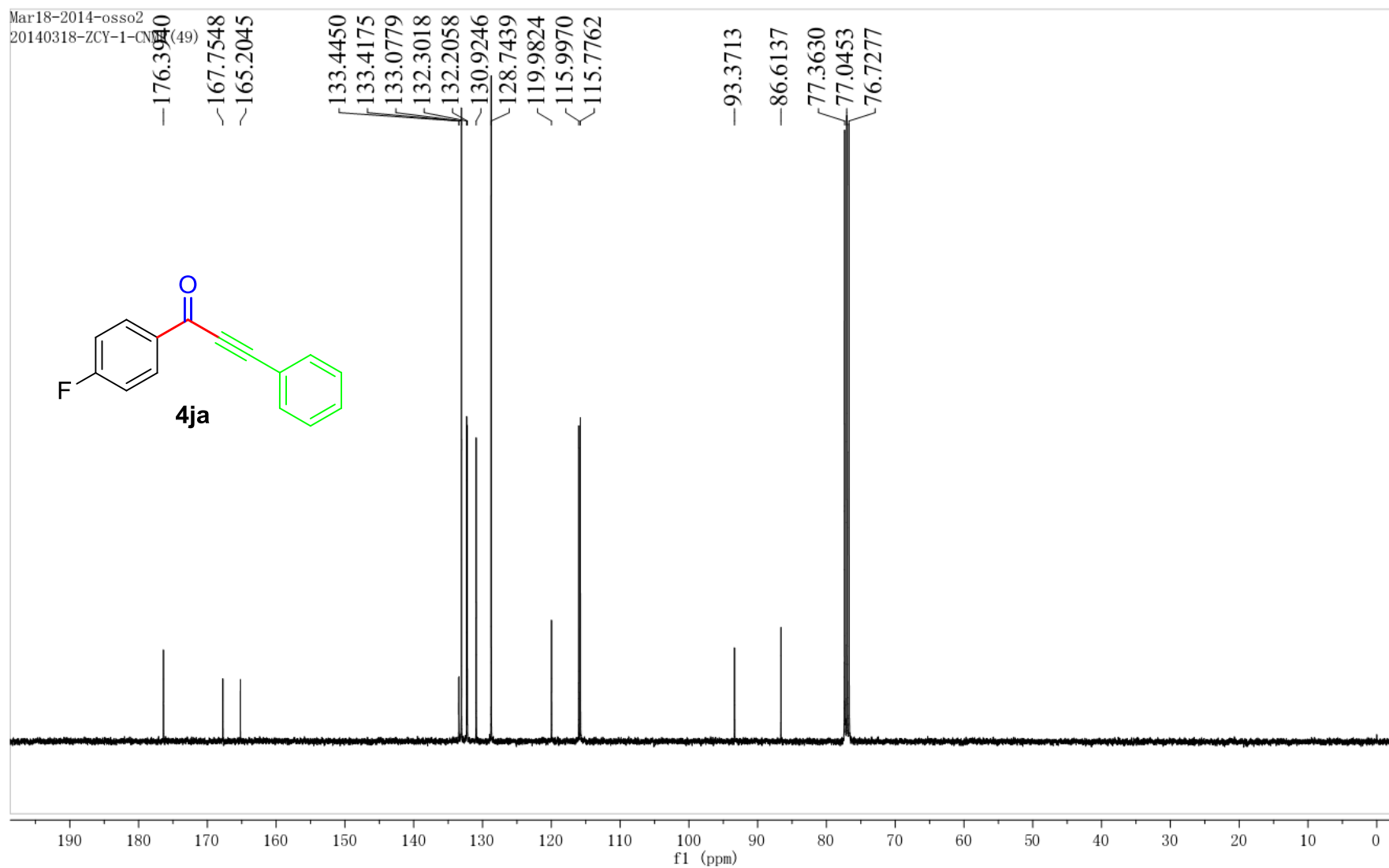


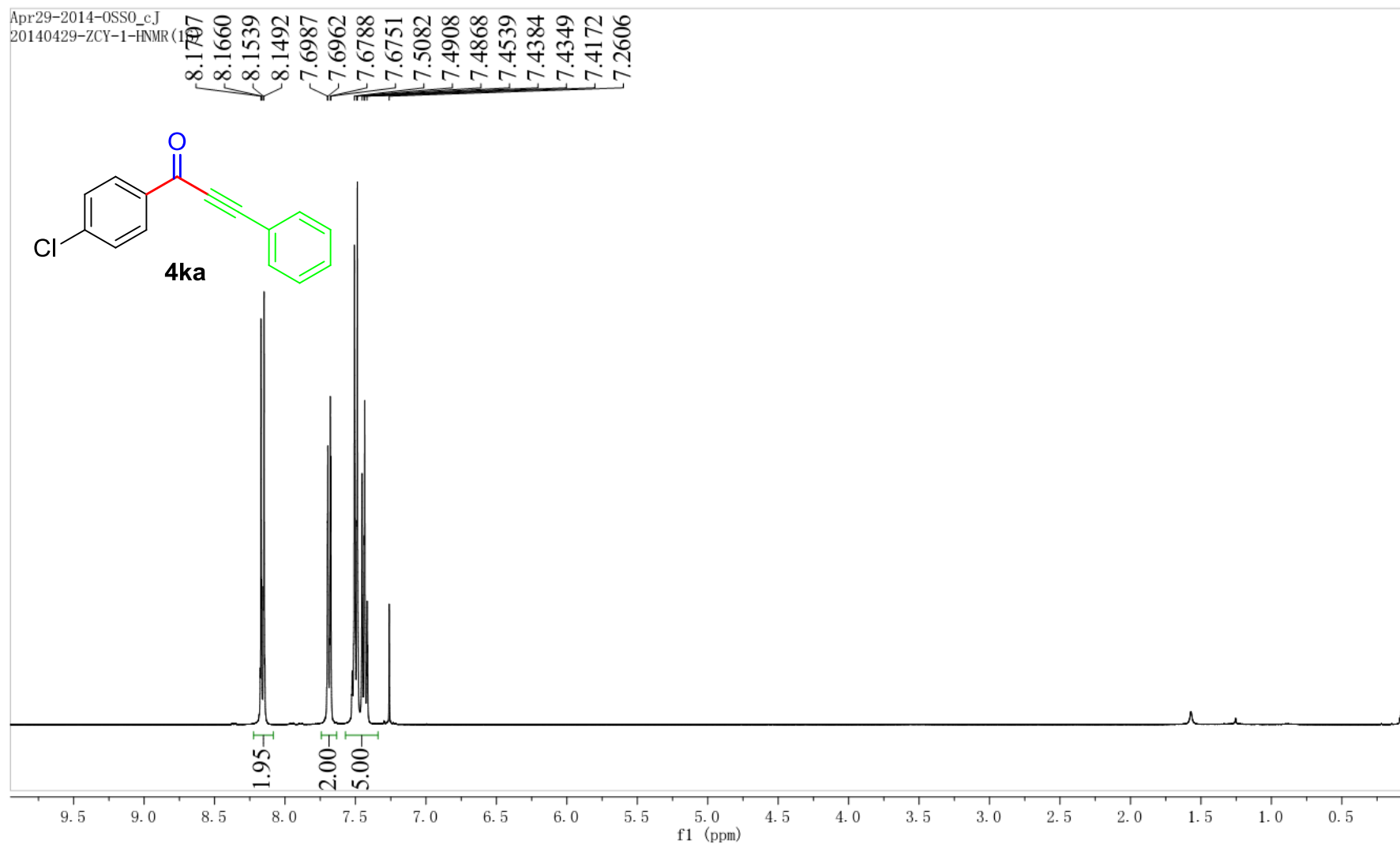


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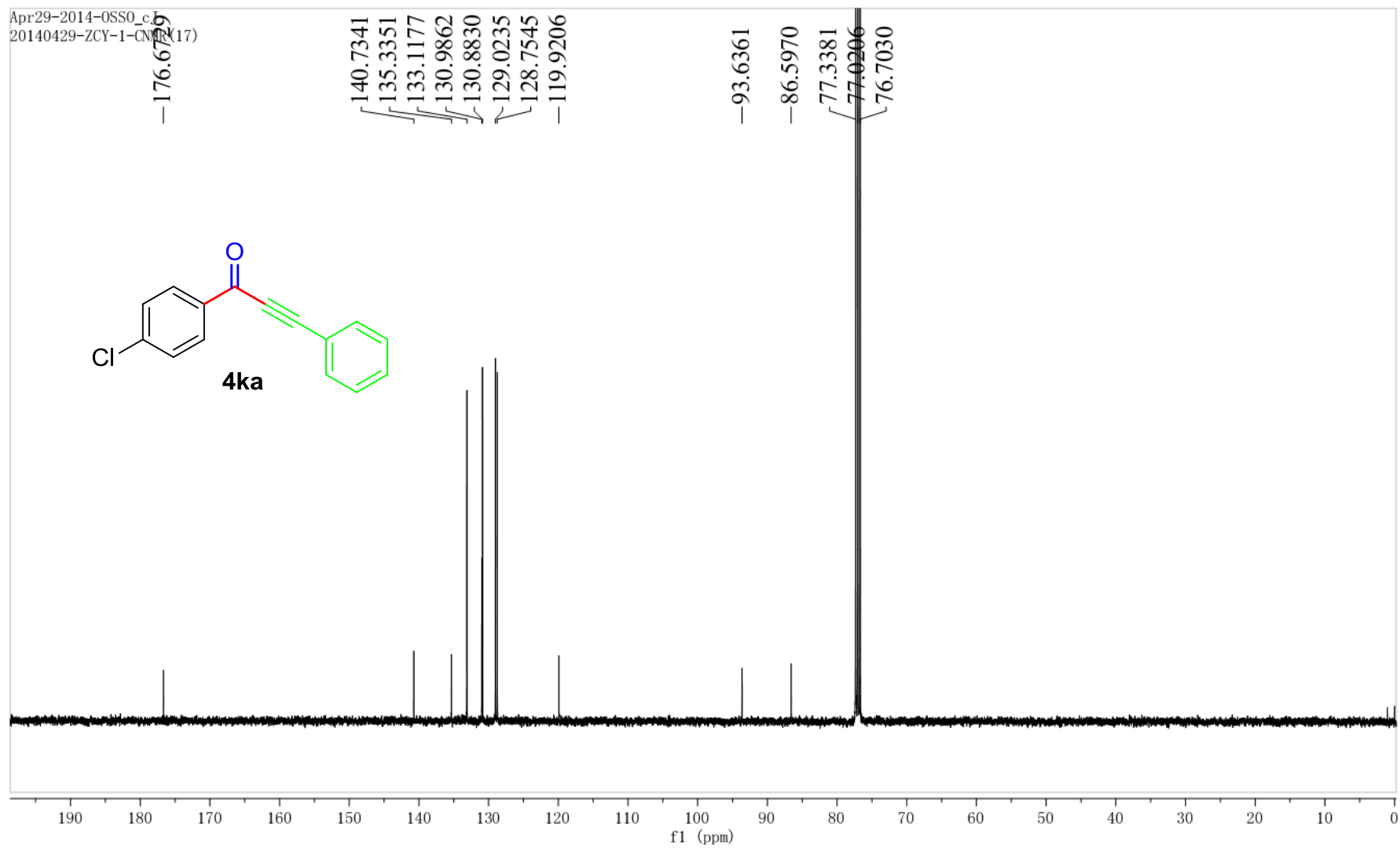




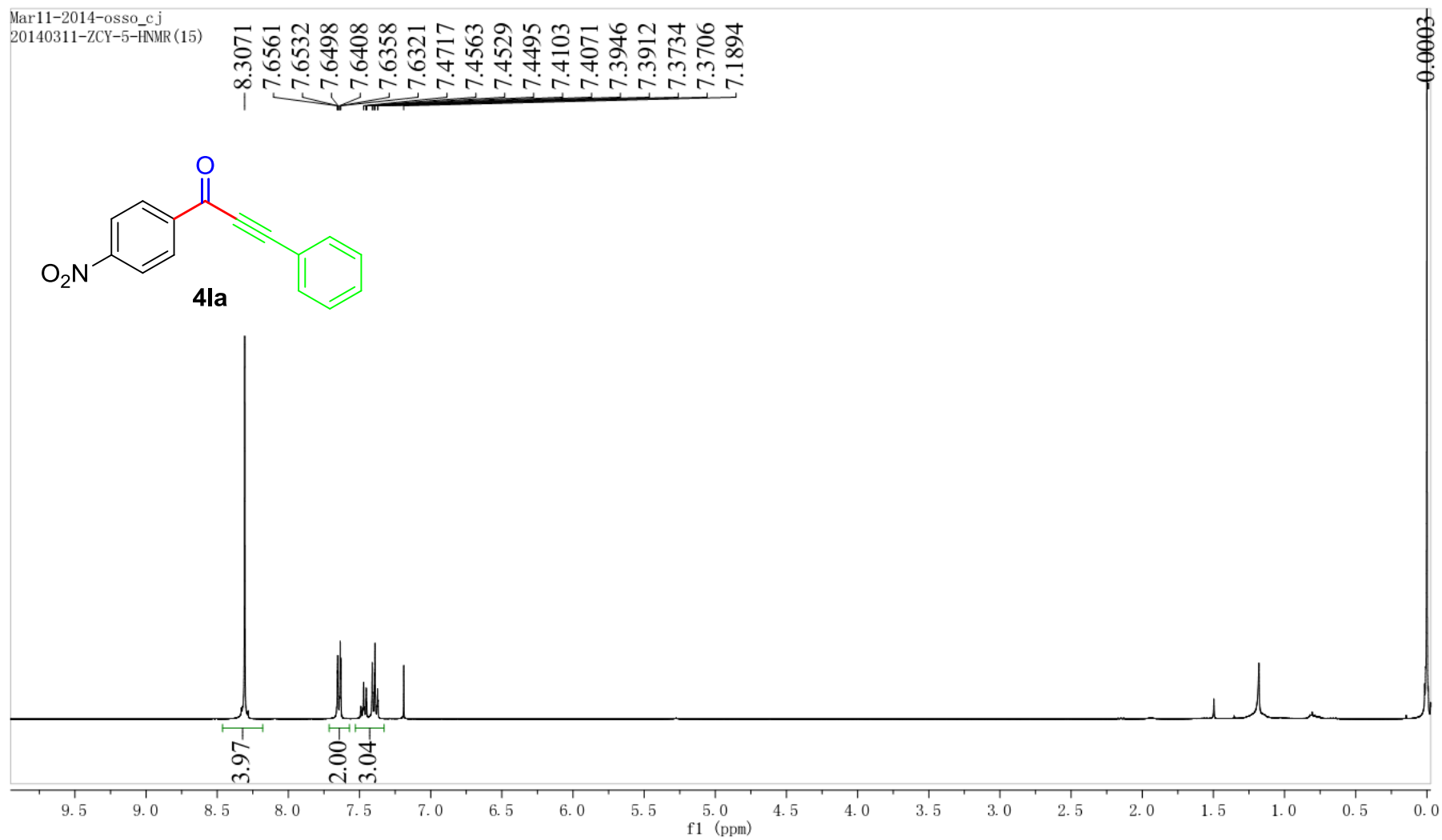




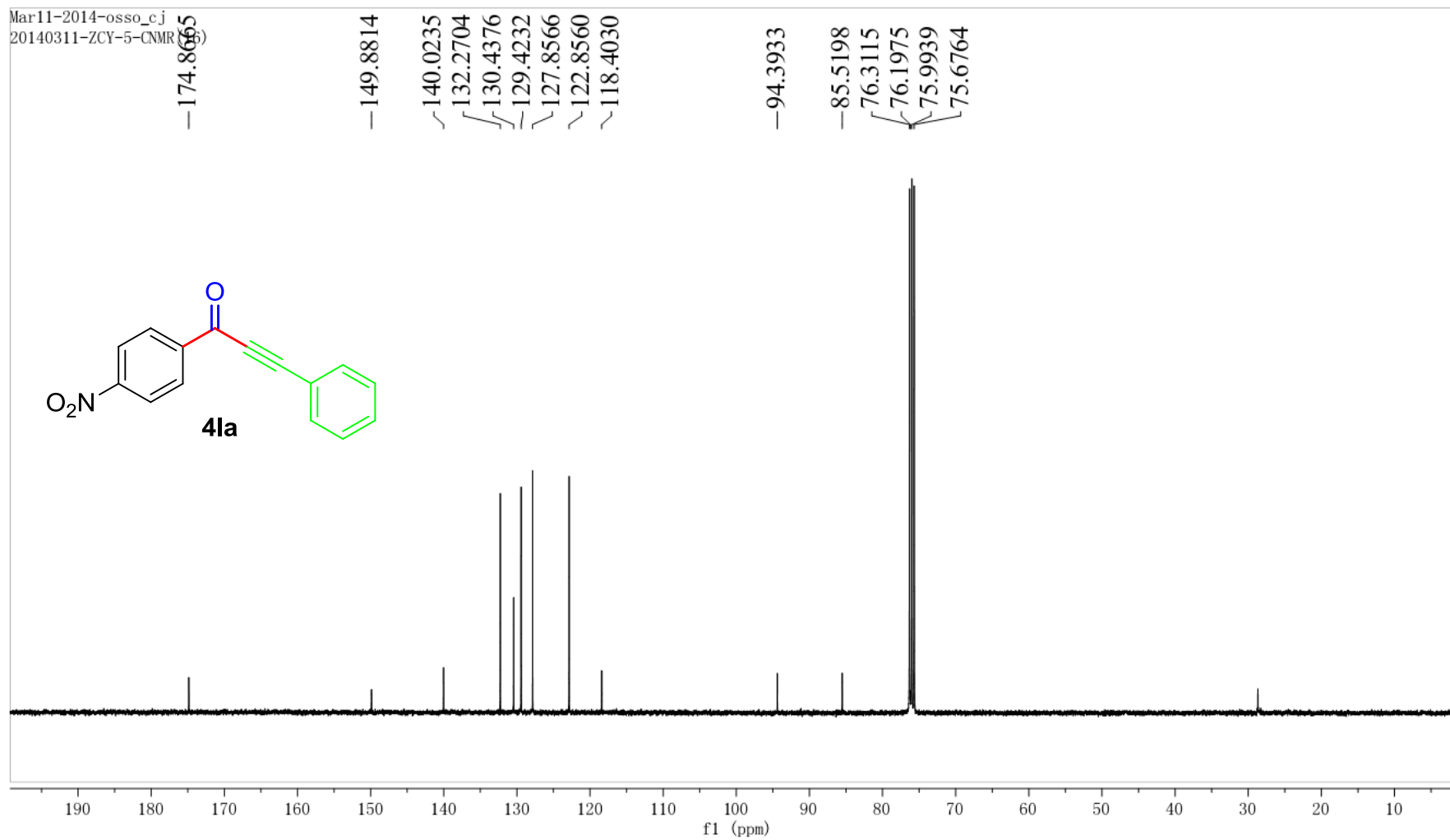
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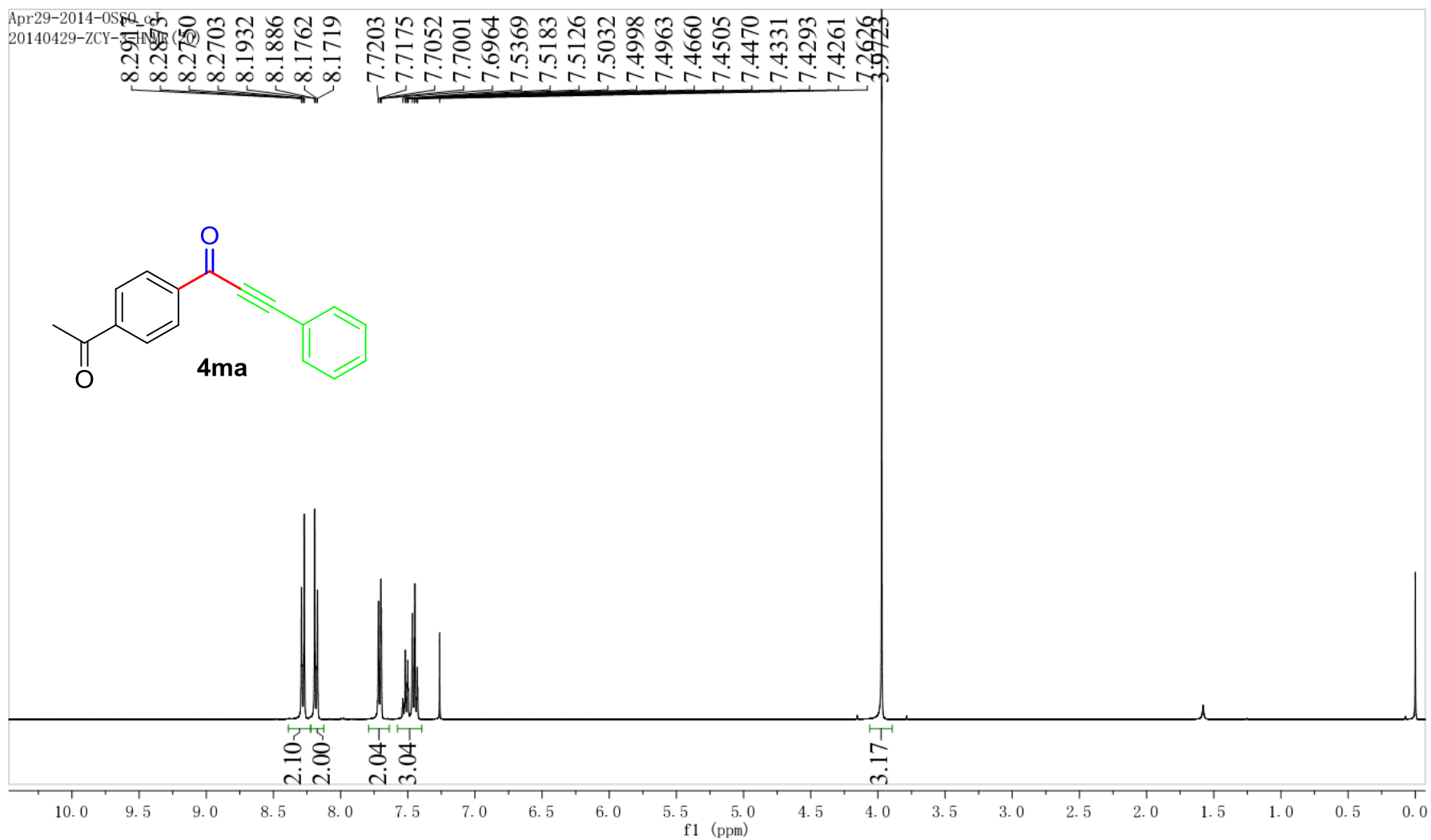
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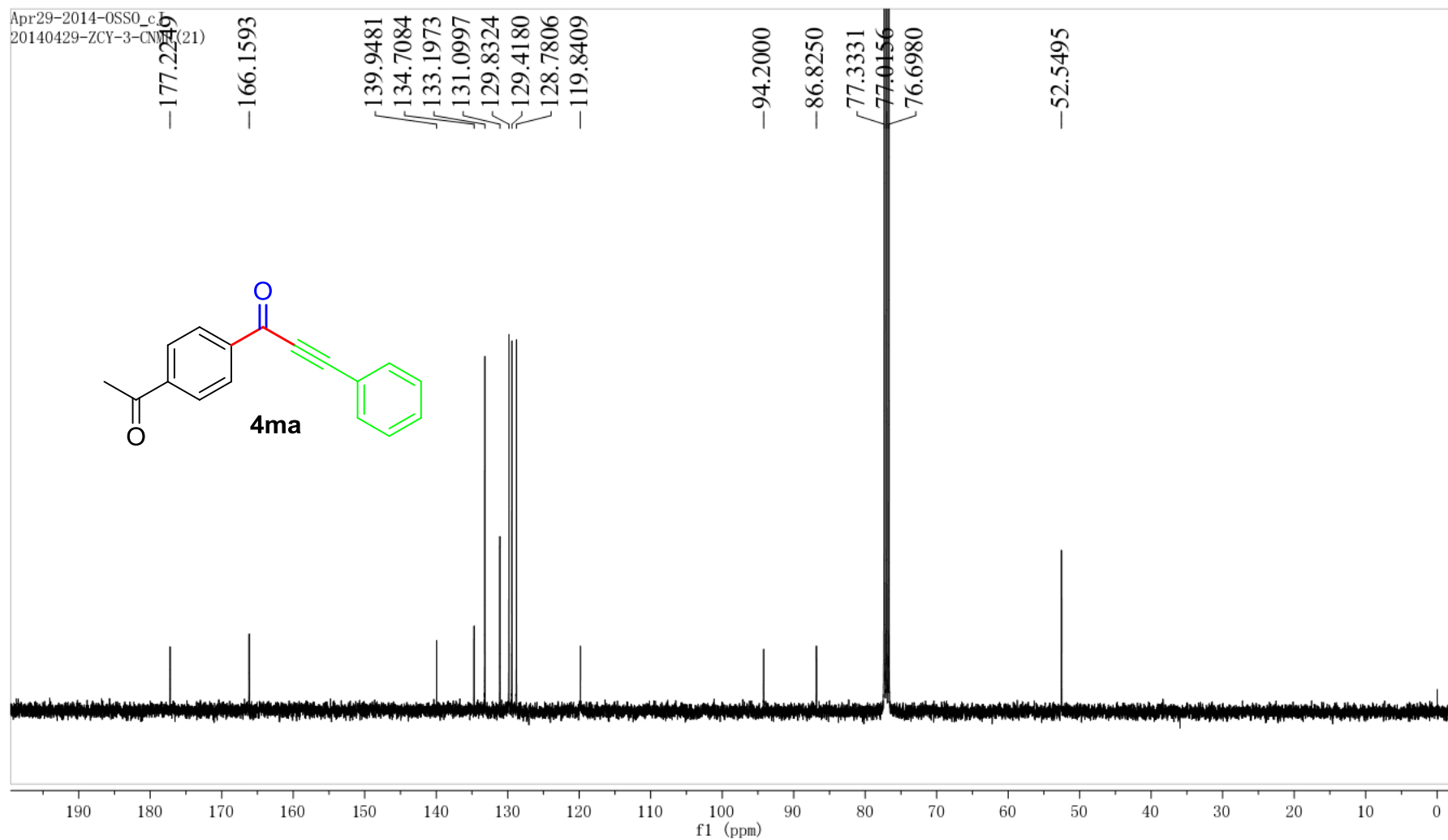


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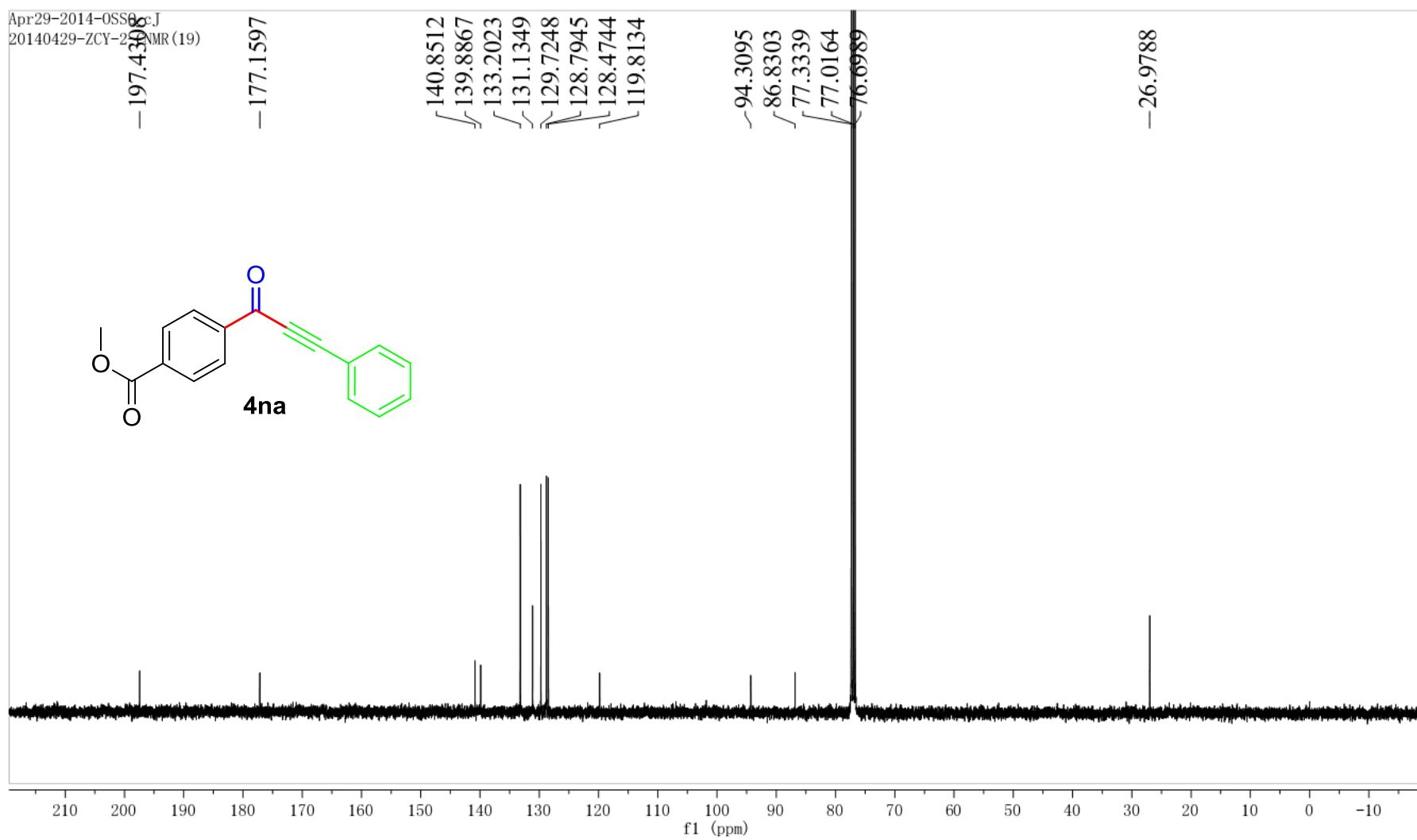


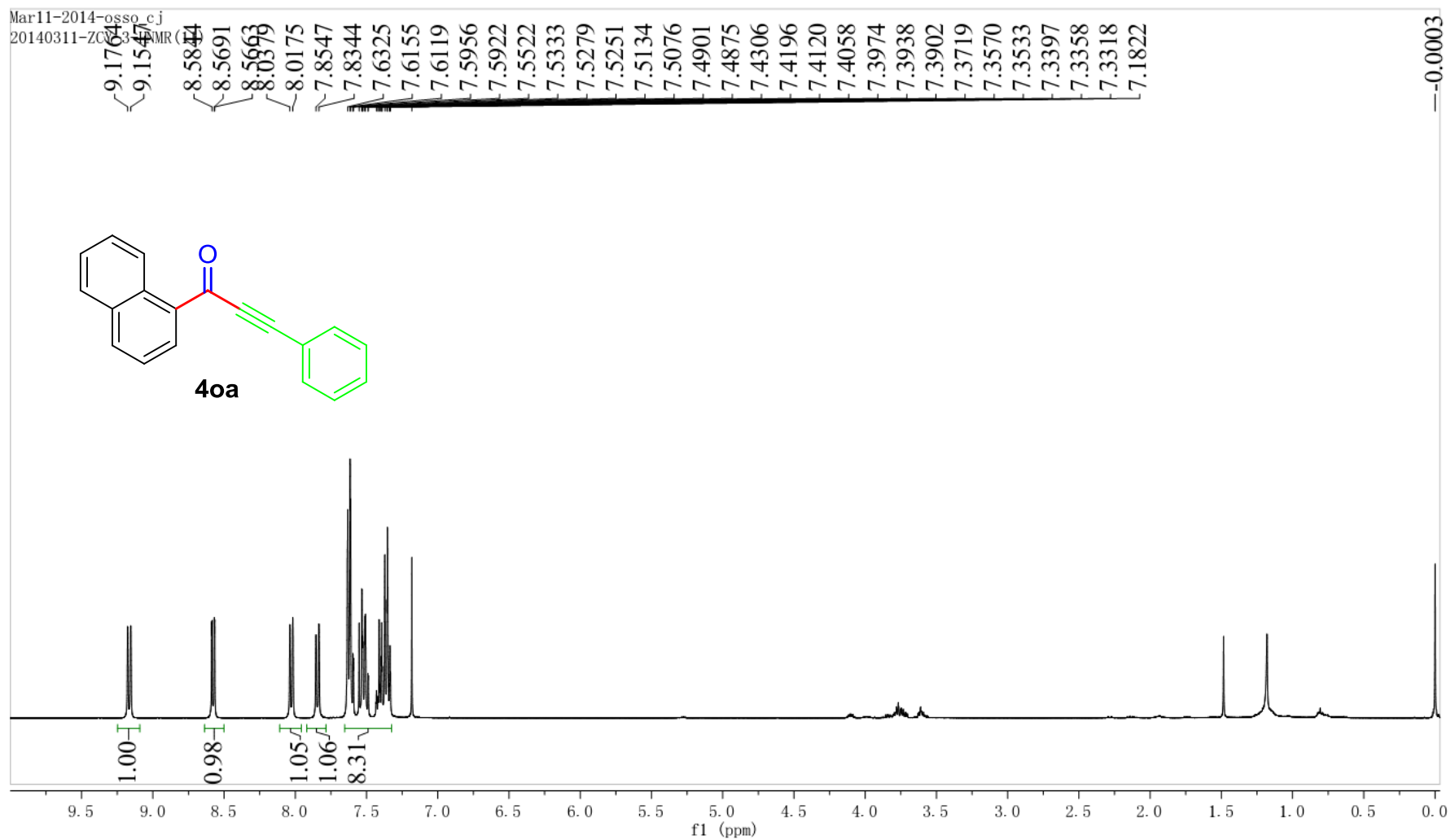
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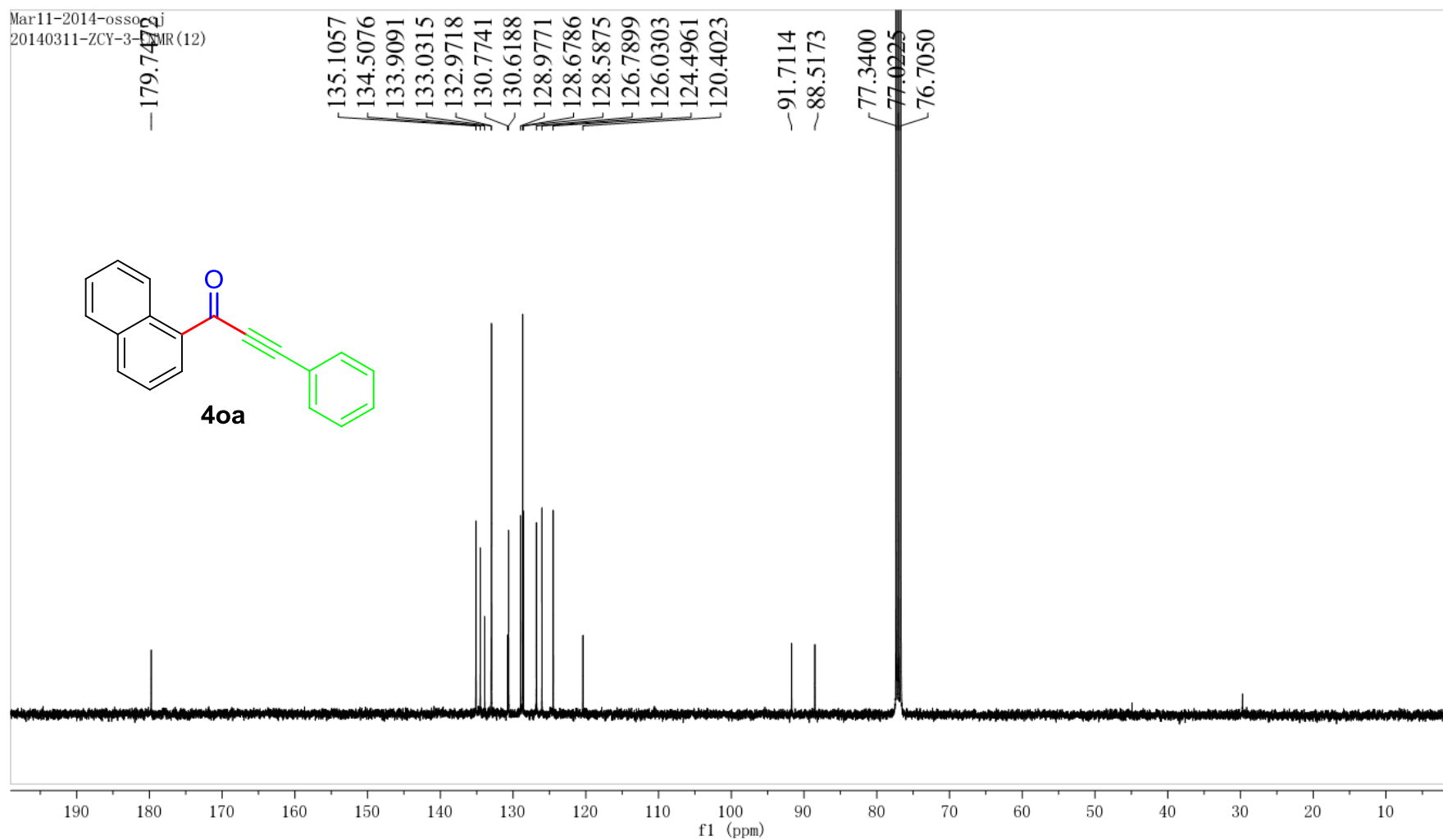


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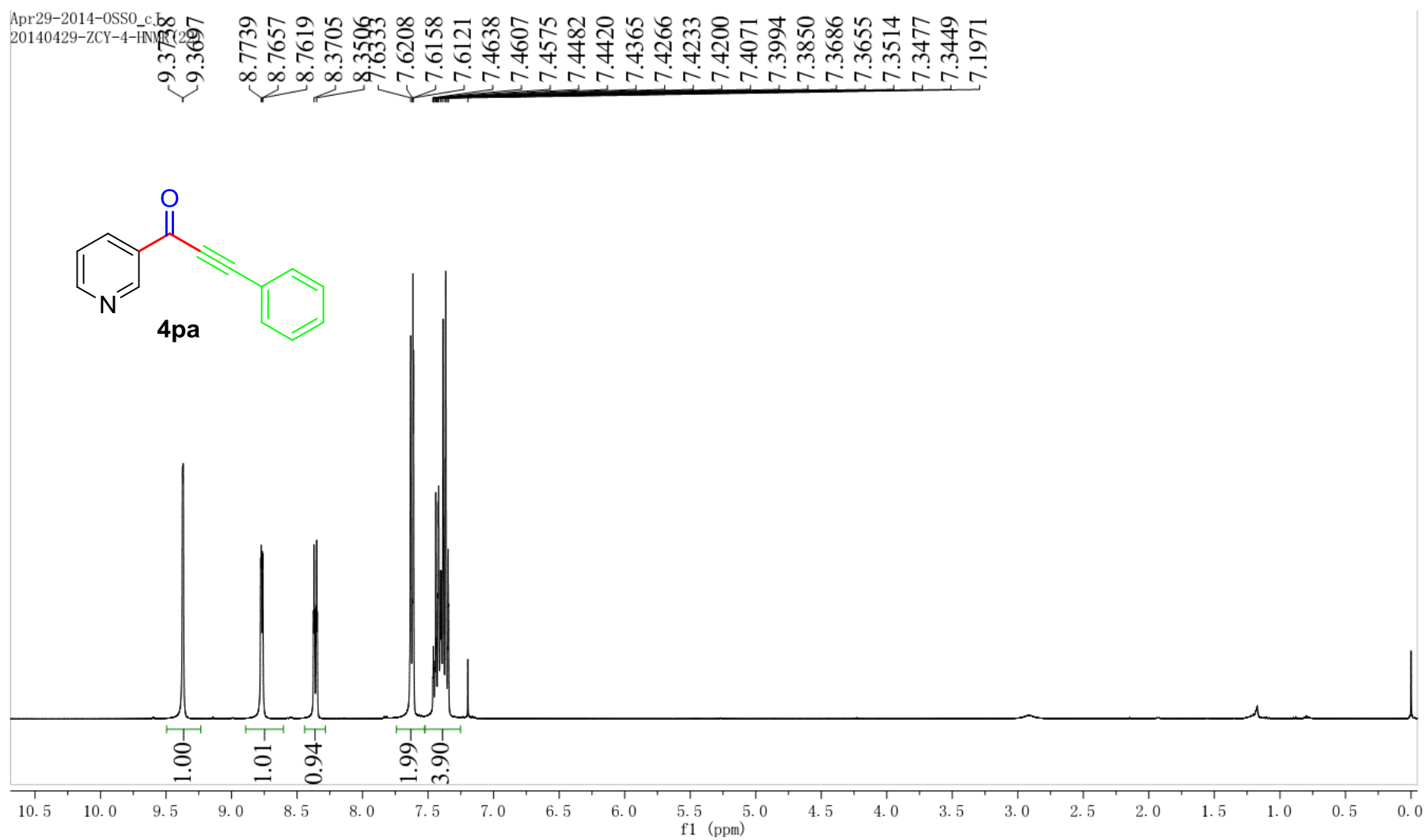


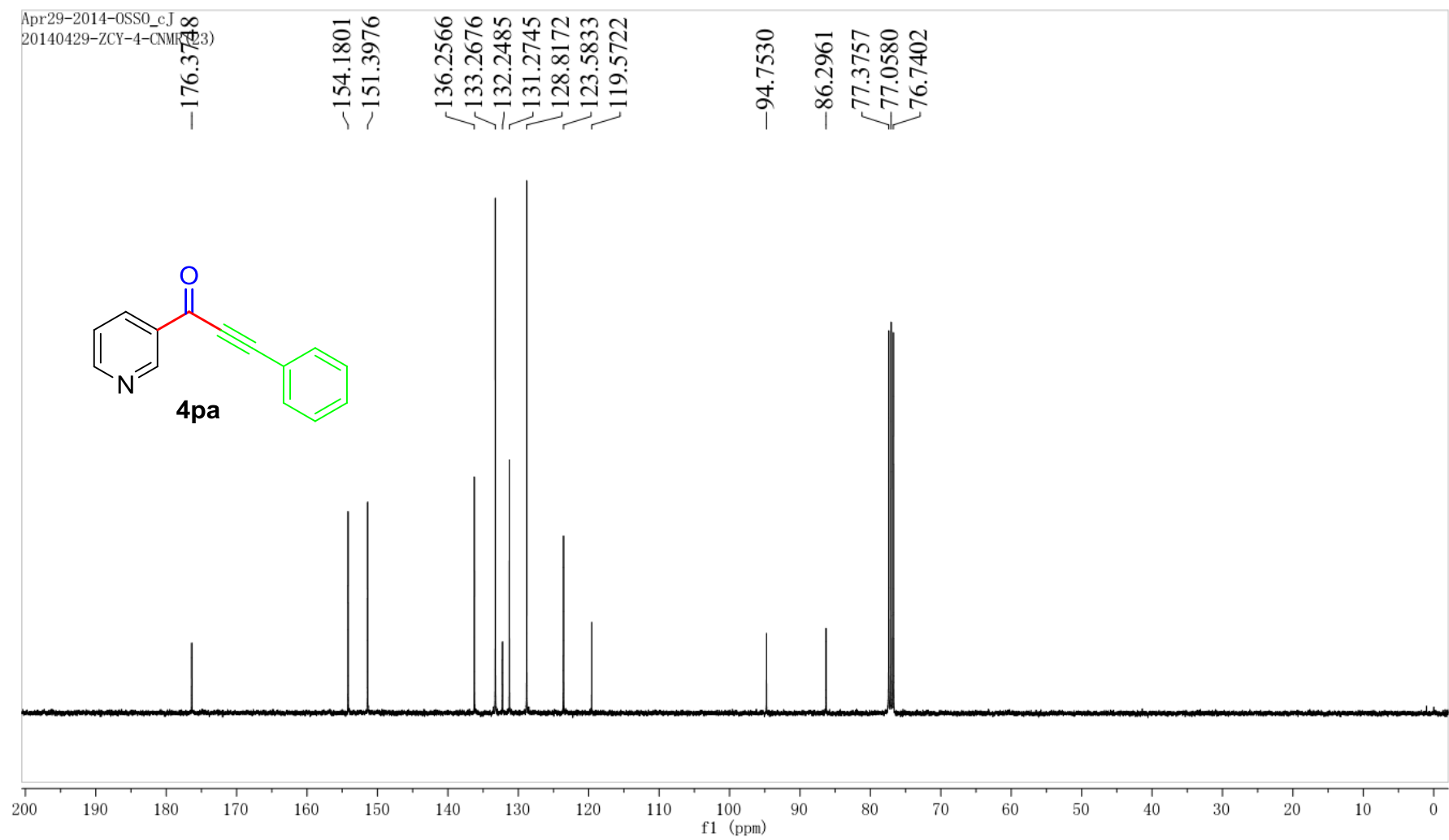


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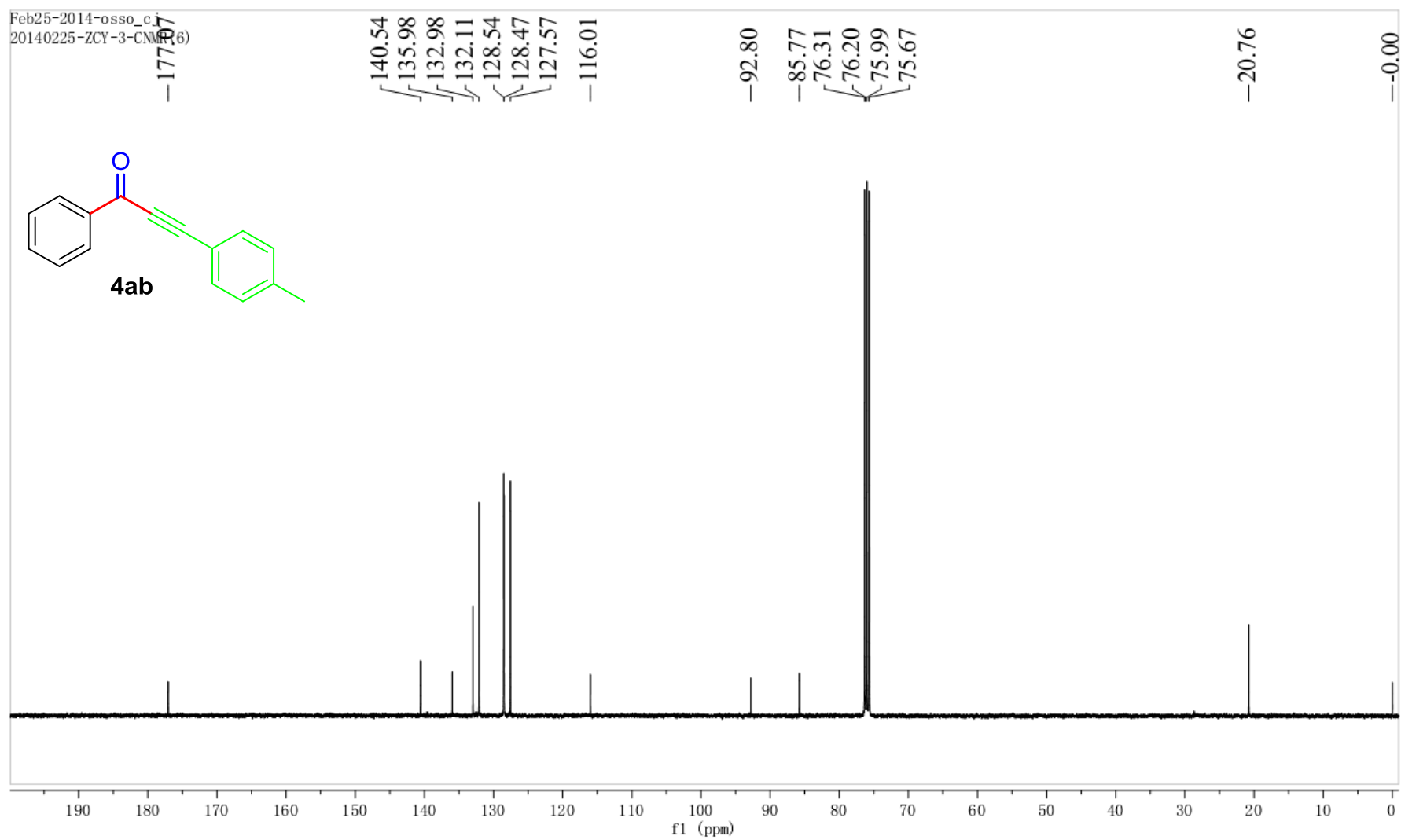


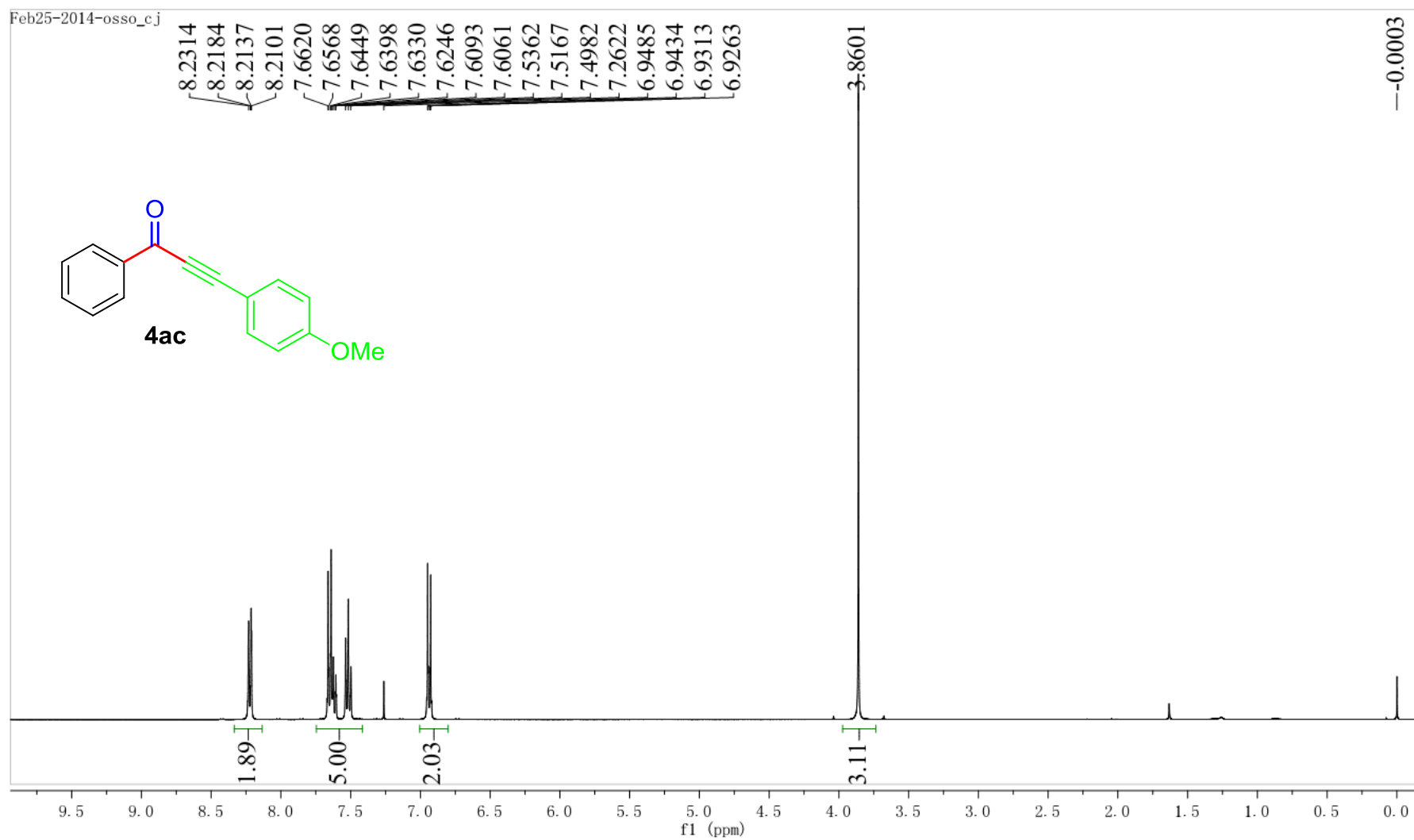
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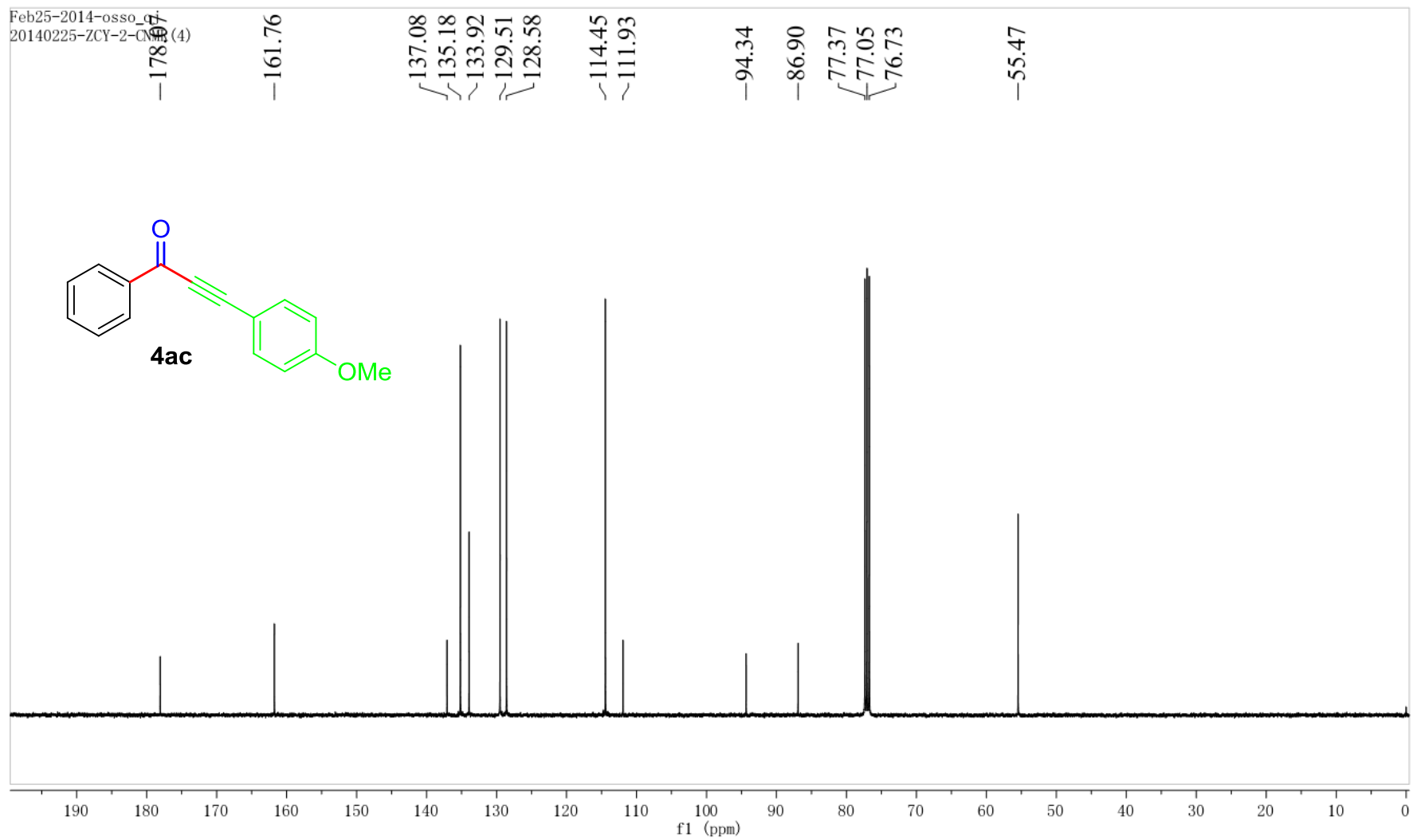


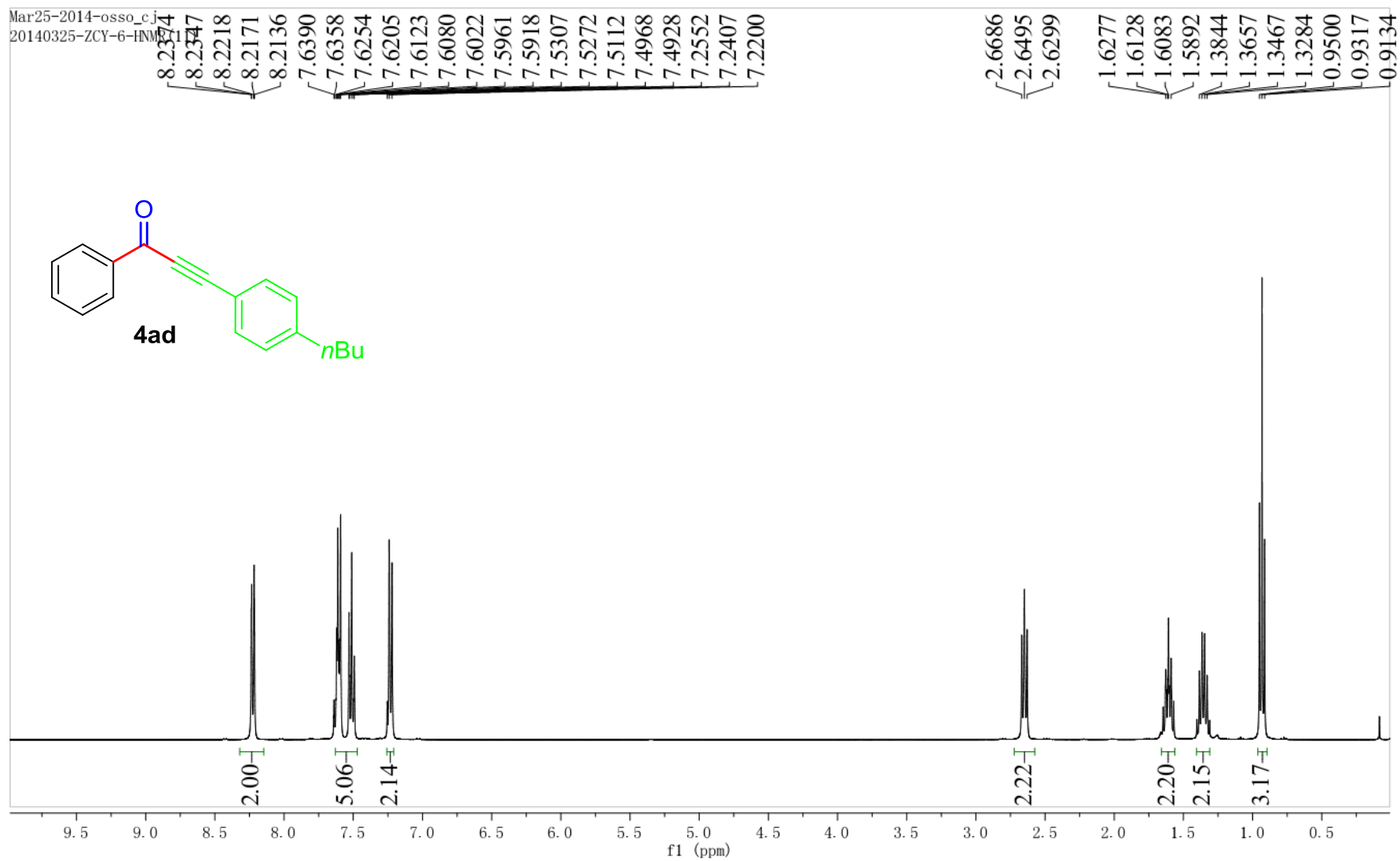
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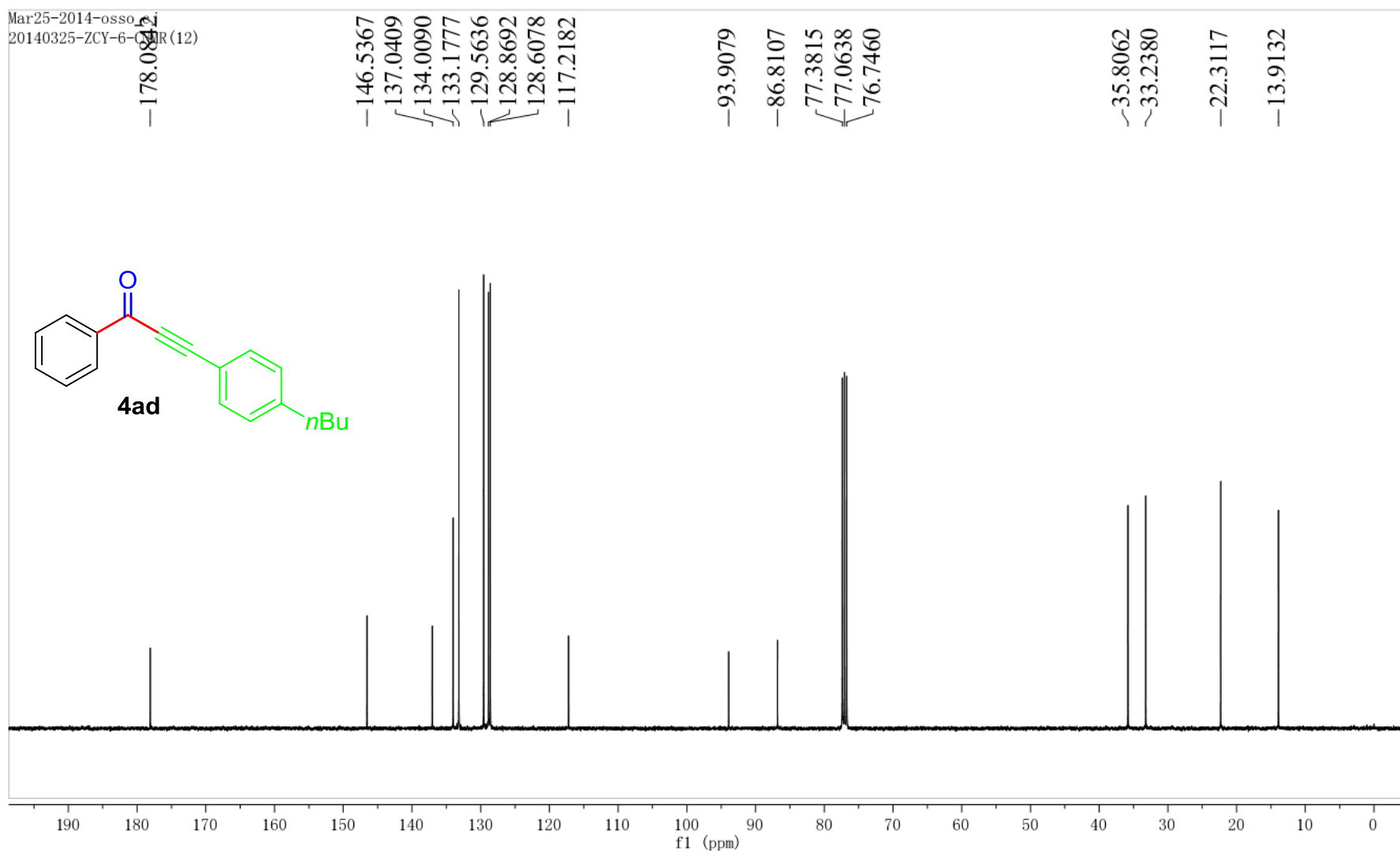


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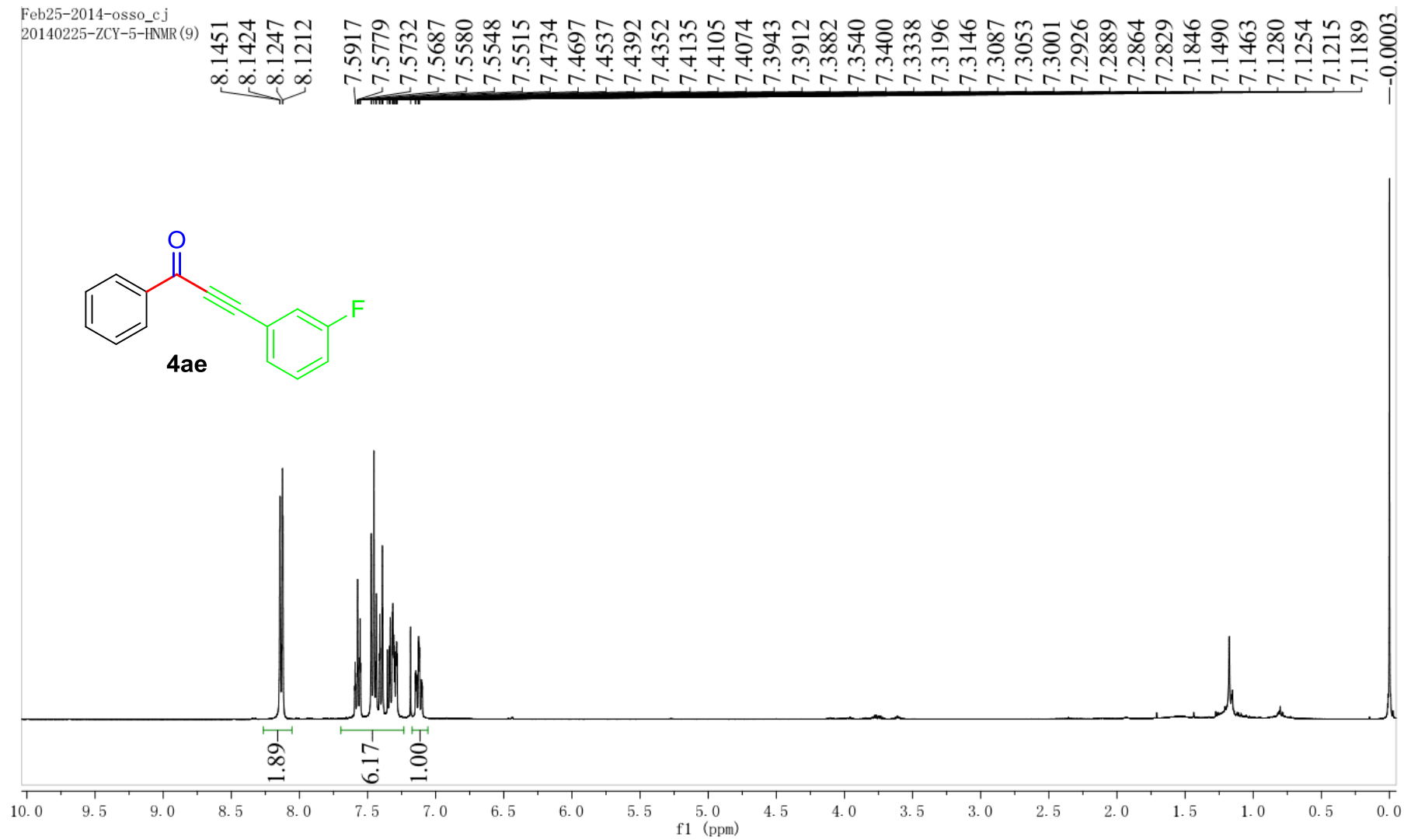


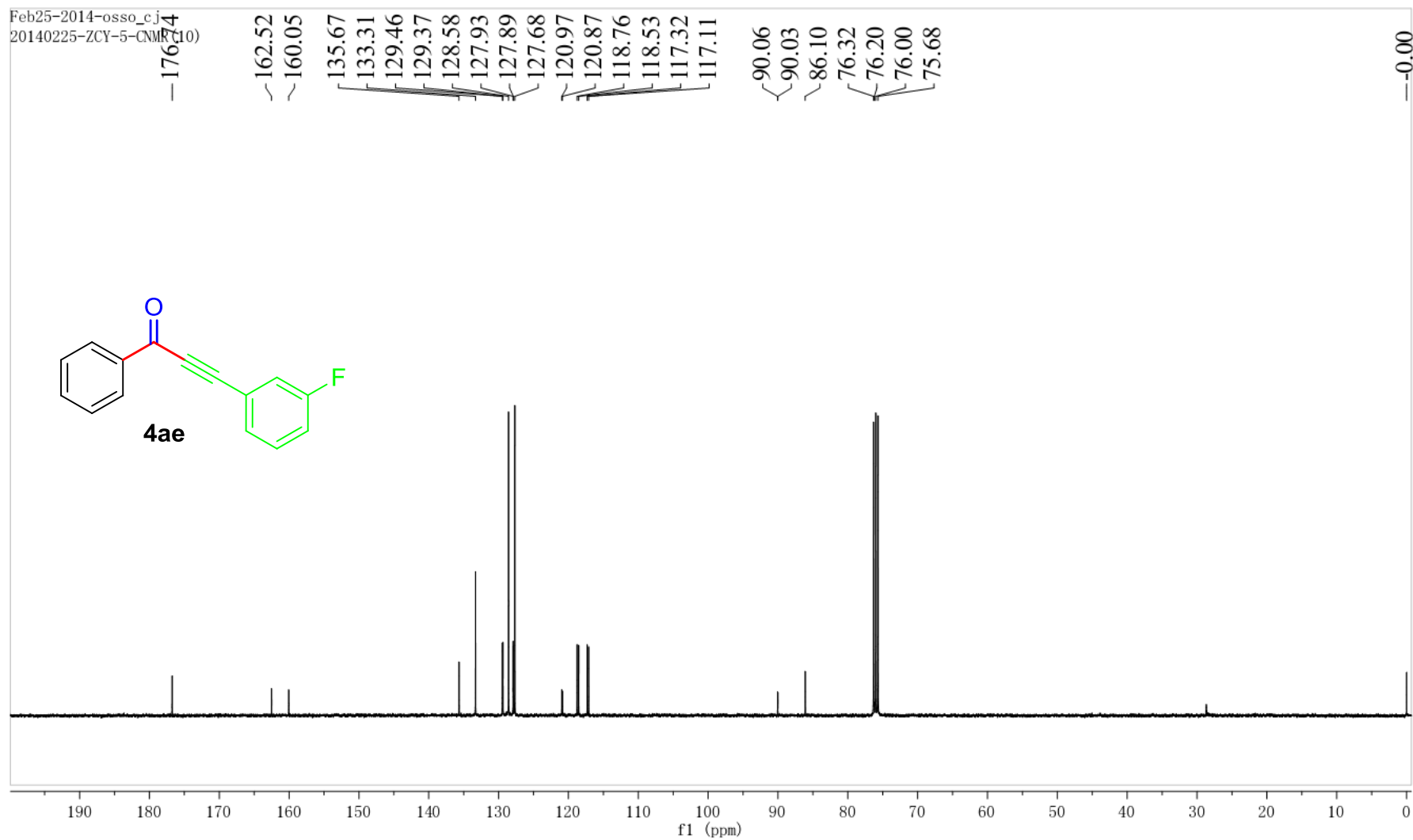


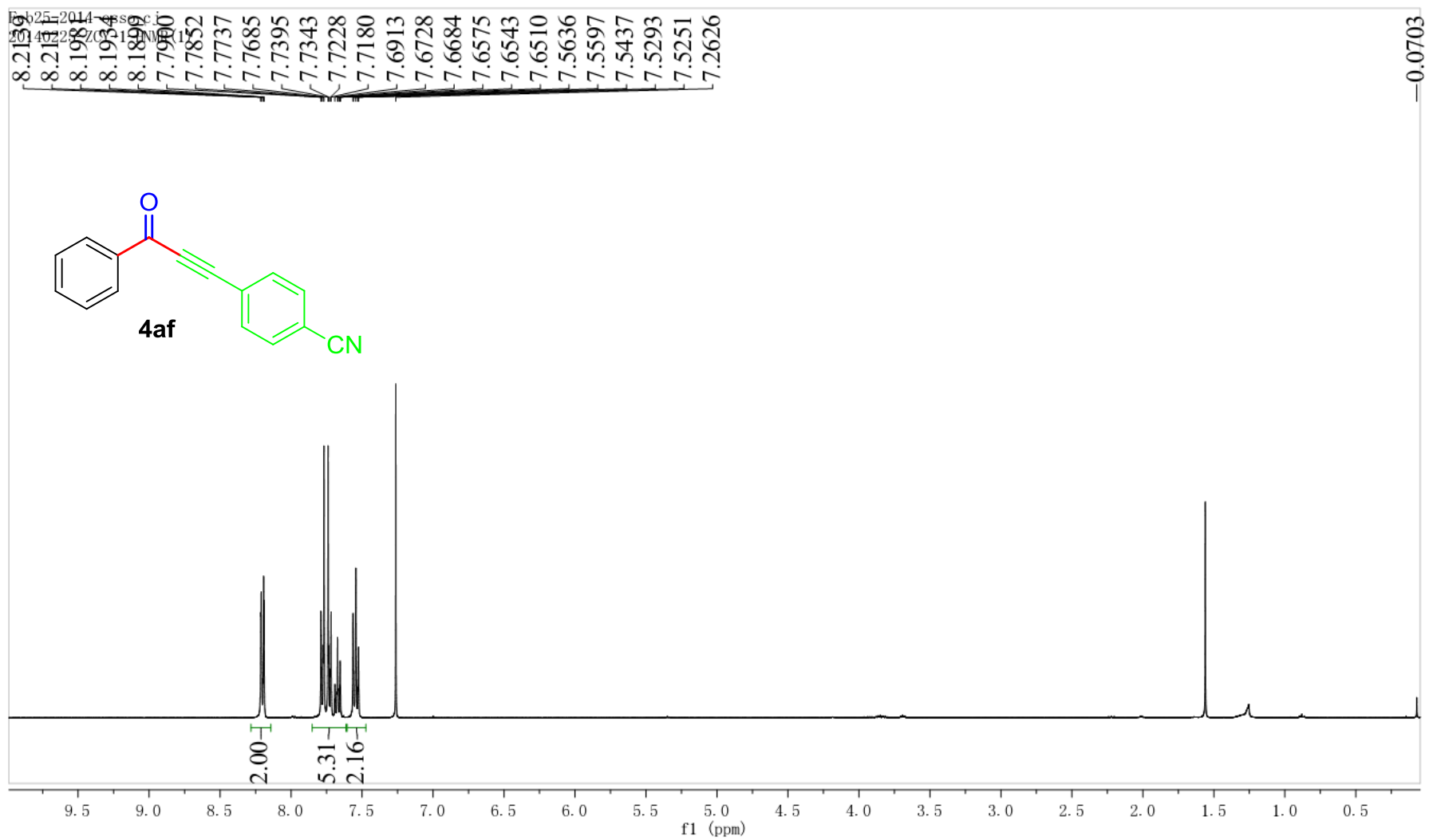
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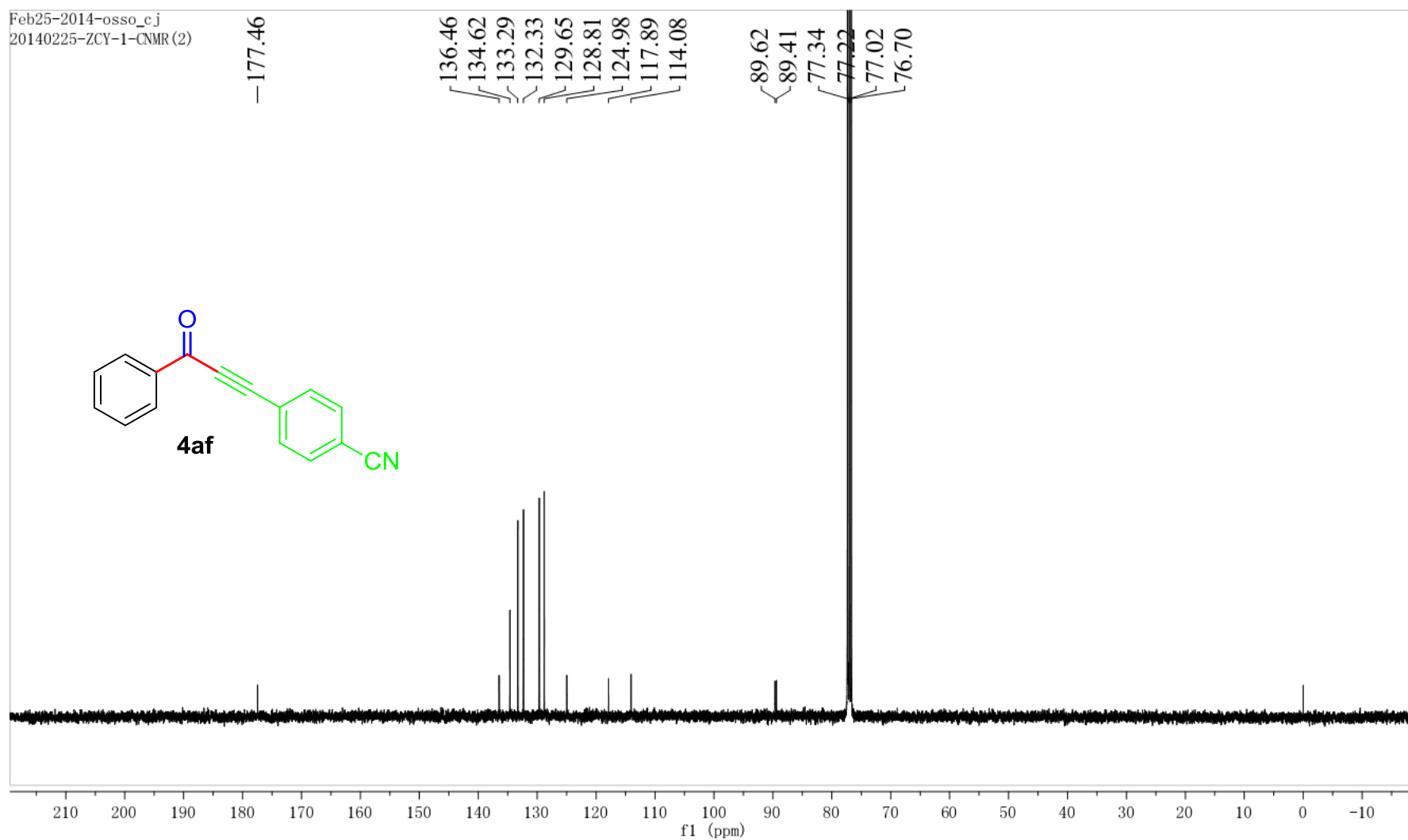
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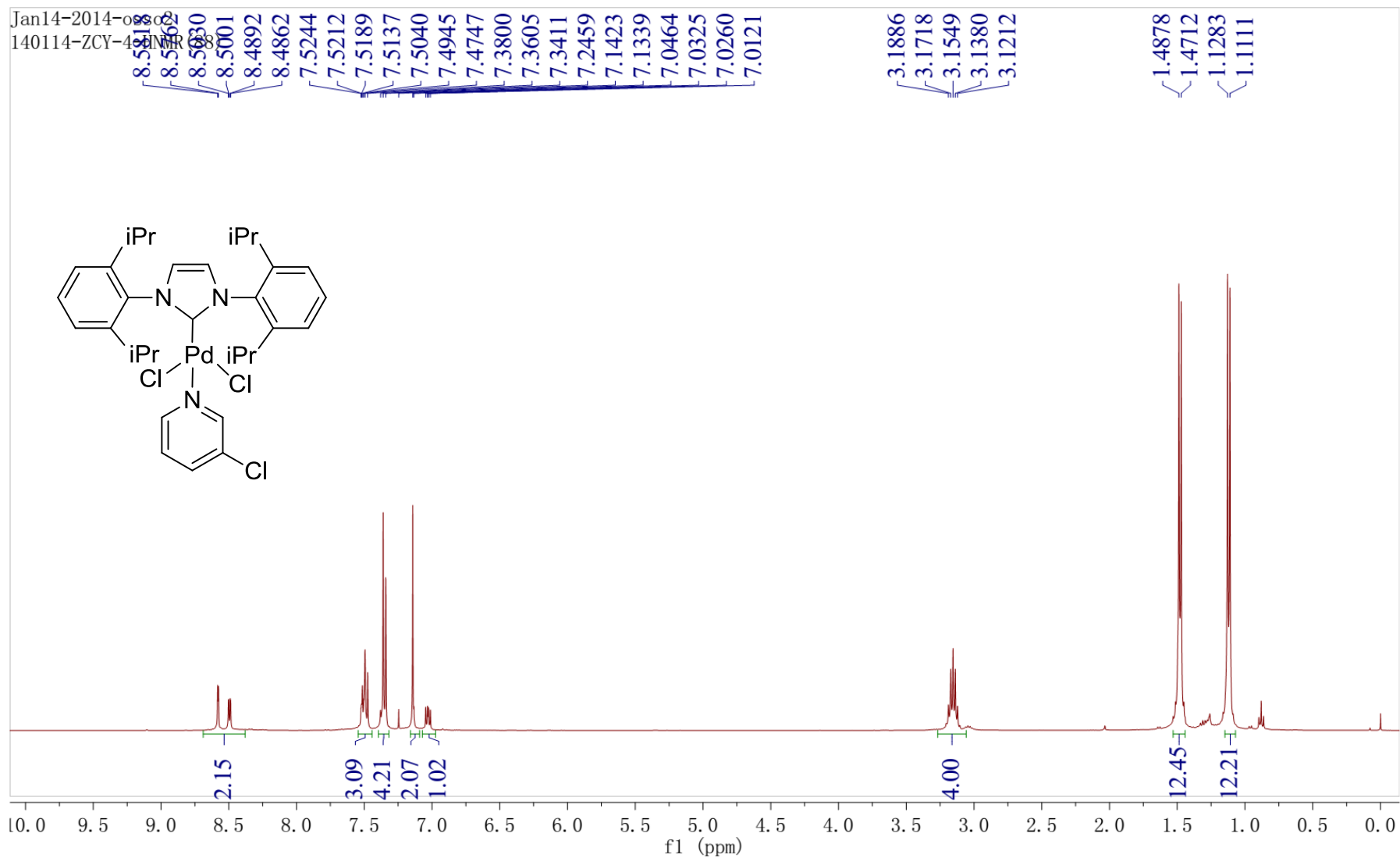




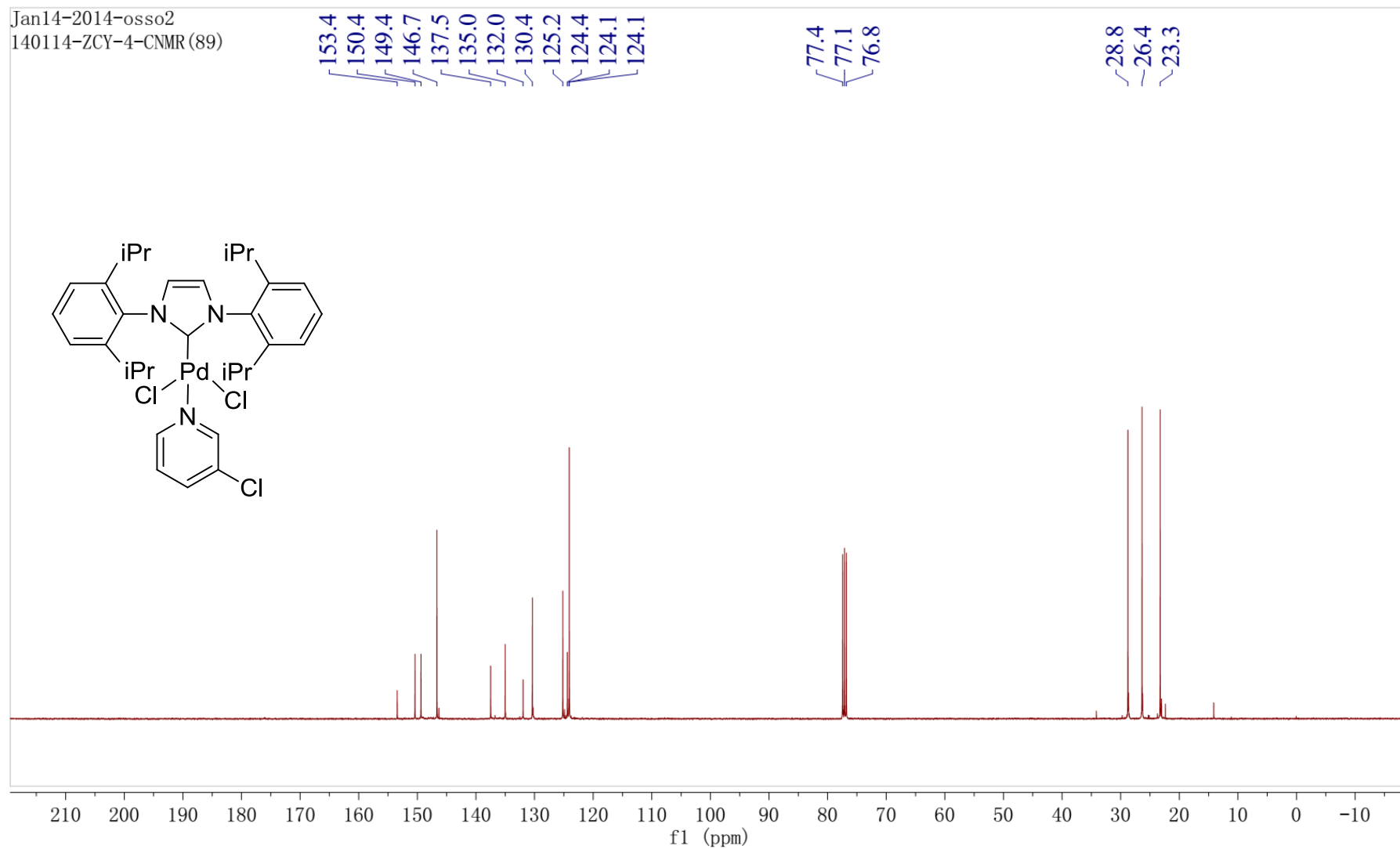


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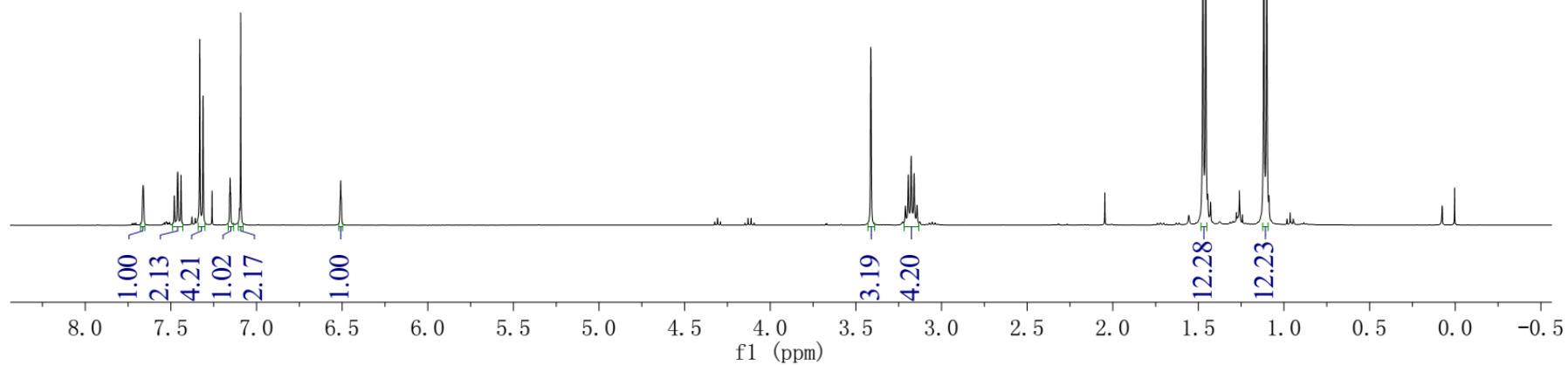
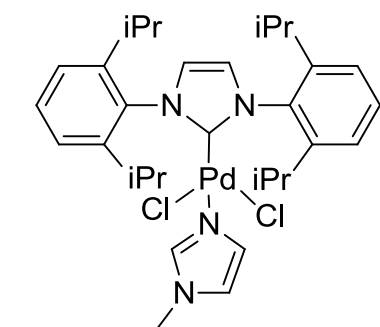




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