

**Highly Efficient and Practical Resolution of
2,3:6,7-Dibenzobicyclo-[3.3.1]nona-2,6-diene-4,8-dione And
Stereoselective Synthesis of It Chiral Diamine Derivatives**

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Supporting Information

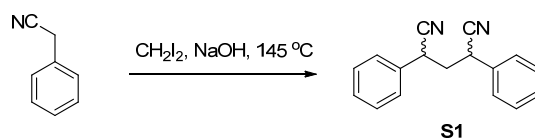
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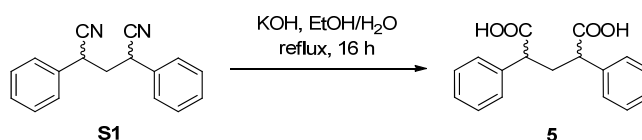
General Information

Proton nuclear magnetic resonance were recorded on Bruker-400MHz instruments internally referenced to tetramethylsilane (0.0 ppm) or the residue of CDCl_3 (7.26 ppm) signal and $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ (2.50 ppm) signal. HRMS spectra were recorded on P-SIMS-Gly of Bruker Daltonics Inc. Solvents were distilled using standard techniques. Tetrahydrofuran was distilled over sodium under an atmosphere of nitrogen. Toluene was distilled over calcium hydride under an atmosphere of nitrogen. Methanol was dried by magnesium.

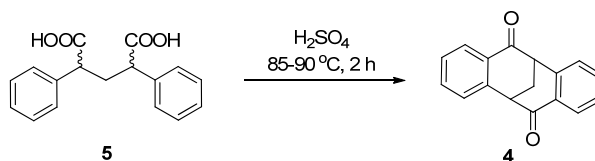
Preparation of the diketone ($\pm$)-4



The phenylacetonitrile (46.0 mL, 0.40 mol, 2.0 eq) and diiodomethane (16.1 mL, 0.20 mol, 1.0 eq) were added to the powder NaOH (16.0 g, 0.40 mol, 2.0 eq), and the mixture was stirred at 145 °C for 2 h. After cooling to room temperature, a mixture of water/diethyl ether (1:1, 100 mL) was added and the aqueous phase was extracted with Et_2O (3×100 mL). The combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtrated and concentrated. Excess phenylacetonitrile was removed by distillation under reduced pressure (4 mmHg), and the resulting crude 2,4-diphenylpentanedinitrile (32.1 g, 65%) was used in next step without purification.



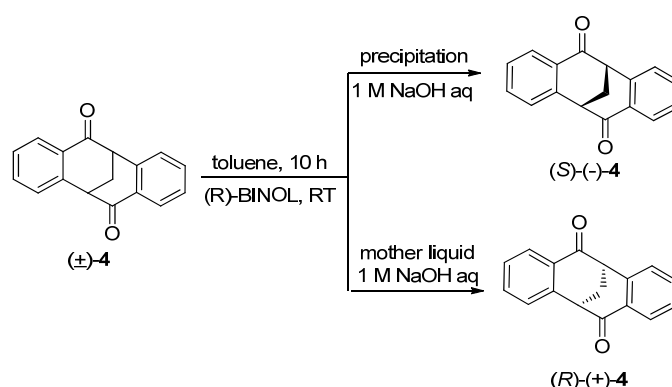
A mixture of 2,4-diphenylpentanedinitrile (32.1 g, 0.13 mol) in EtOH (350 mL), 5 N KOH (350 mL) was stirred reflux for 16 h. After cooling to room temperature, ethanol was removed by evaporation, and the resulting mixture was extrated with Et_2O (3×100 mL) and the organic layers were discarded. The aqueous layer was acidified with concentrated hydrochloric acid to pH = 2-3 and extracted with EtOAc (3×200 mL). The combined organic layer was washed with water and brine, dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtrated and concented. The resulting crude 2,4-diphenylpentanedioic acid (36.8 g, 99.7 %) was used in next step directly without purification.



H_2SO_4 (98%, 49 ml) was added to 2,4-diphenylpentanedioic acid (7.30 g, 25.7 mmol) and the resulting mixture was stirred at 85-90 °C for 2 h. After cooling to room temperature the mixture was poured to a beach containing crashed ice. The yellowish

solid was collected by filtration and the filtrate was extracted with toluene three times. The combined organic layer was washed with brine and dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated with evaporation to give a yellowish solid. The combined solid diketone ($\pm$)-**4** (4.95 g, 78%) was pure enough for spectra characterization and was used in next step without purification. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.94 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2 H), 7.54-7.40 (m, 4 H), 7.39-7.28 (m, 2 H), 4.00 (t, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 2 H), 2.97 (t, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 2 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 194.3, 140.0, 134.5, 128.82, 128.79, 128.76, 128.2, 48.8, 32.2; HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₇H₁₃O₂ [M⁺+H] 249.0910, found 249.0905.

Resolution of diketone ($\pm$)-**4** with (R)-BINOL



(R)-(+)-1,1'-Bi-2-naphthol (8.50 g, 30.0 mmol, 0.60 eq) was added to a solution of diketone ($\pm$)-**4** (12.40 g, 50.0 mmol, 1.0 eq) and toluene (250 mL). The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 10 h, filtrated and solid was washed with cold toluene.

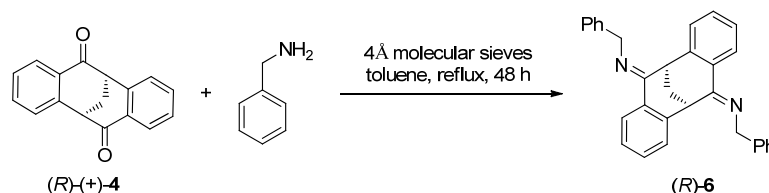
The inclusion complex solid was added to a mixture of toluene (250 mL) and aqueous NaOH solution (1 M, 250 mL) and stirred at room temperature until all solid was dissolved. After separation, the organic layer was washed with 1 N NaOH (2 $\times$ 250 mL), and the combined aqueous phase was extracted with toluene (2 $\times$ 250 mL). The combined organic layer was washed with water and dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated to give white solid (S)-(-)-**4** (6.03g, 49%, 94.1% ee). The solid was recrystallized from CH₂Cl₂/EtOAc to give (S)-(-)-**4** (5.25 g, 42%, 99.8% ee). [α]_D²³ -383 (c 0.30, CHCl₃). HPLC (Chiralcel OD-H, iospropanol/hexane = 3:97, flow: 1.0 mL/min, λ = 254 nm).

The mother liquid was washed with 1 N NaOH (3 $\times$ 250 mL), the aqueous phase was extracted with toluene (2 $\times$ 250 mL), the combined organic layer was washed with water and dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated to afford (R)-(+)-**4** (6.37 g, 51%, 83.9% ee). The obtained solid was recrystallized from CH₂Cl₂/EtOAc to give (R)-(+)-**4** (5.43 g, 44%, 99.5% ee). [α]_D²³ = +383 (c 0.30, CHCl₃). HPLC (Chiralcel OD-H, iospropanol/hexane = 3:97, flow: 1.0 mL/min, λ = 254 nm).

The combined aqueous phase was acidified with 1 N HCl to pH~4, and the solid

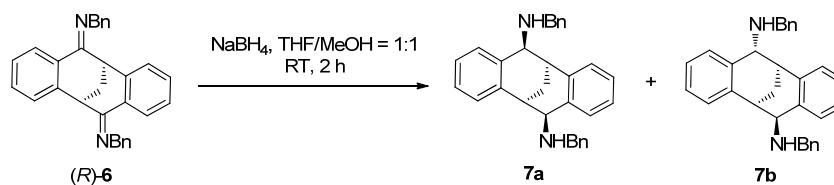
was collected by filtration, washed with H₂O and dried under air to give (*R*)-(+)-1,1'-Bi-2-naphthol (8.24 g, 97%, 99.1% ee). HPLC (Chiralcel AD-H, isopropanol/hexane = 10:90, flow: 0.5 mL/min, λ = 254 nm).

Preparation of the imine (*R*)-6



Under nitrogen atmosphere, a mixture of (*R*)-(+)-4 (1.24 g, 5.00 mmol, 1.0 eq), benzylamine (2.0 mL, 20.0 mmol, 4.0 eq), flame dried molecular sieves (4Å, powdered, 6.00 g) and toluene (15 mL) was stirred at reflux temperature for 48 h. After cooling to room temperature, the mixture was filtered through a pad of celite and the solid cake was washed with toluene. The filtrate was concentrated with evaporation and the resulting solid was recrystallized from EtOAc and CH₂Cl₂ to give the pure (*R*)-6 (1.77 g, 83%). $[\alpha]_D^{23} = +530$ (c 0.34, CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.21 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2 H), 7.47 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 4 H), 7.39 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 4 H), 7.33-7.15 (m, 8 H), 5.24 (s, 4 H), 4.72 (t, J = 3.2 Hz, 2 H), 2.59 (t, J = 3.2 Hz, 2 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 164.2, 140.3, 137.8, 132.9, 130.6, 128.5, 128.2, 127.6, 127.5, 127.2, 126.8, 55.2, 35.2, 31.2; HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₃₁H₂₇N₂ [M⁺+H] 427.2169, found 427.2160.

Preparation of the amine 7a and 7b



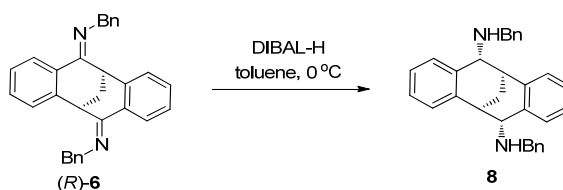
NaBH₄ (0.151 g, 4.00 mmol, 8.0 eq) was slowly added to a mixture of (*R*)-6 (0.213 g, 0.50 mmol, 1.0 eq) in THF (3.0 mL) and MeOH (3.0 mL) at 0 °C and stirred at room temperature for 2 h. The mixture was quenched with 1 N HCl and neutralized with aqueous sat. NaHCO₃. The resulting mixture was extracted with EtOAc and the combined organic layer was washed with brine and dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated with evaporation. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica (5% ethyl acetate/hexanes) to afford the desired product **7a** (0.181 g, 84%) and **7b** (30 mg, 14%), as well as a small amount of uncharacterized mixtures.

7a, $[\alpha]_D^{23} = +20$ (c 0.52, CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.92 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2 H), 7.56 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 4 H), 7.37 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 4 H), 7.27 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2 H), 7.20-7.05 (m, 6 H), 4.38 (d, J = 13.6 Hz, 2 H), 4.17-4.06 (m, 4 H), 3.55-3.48 (m, 2 H),

2.42 (t, $J = 3.2$ Hz, 2 H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 140.9, 139.8, 135.6, 128.9, 128.4, 128.2, 128.1, 127.0, 126.9, 126.3, 61.6, 51.1, 34.0, 30.6; HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{31}\text{N}_2$ [$\text{M}^+ + \text{H}$] 431.2482, found 431.2473.

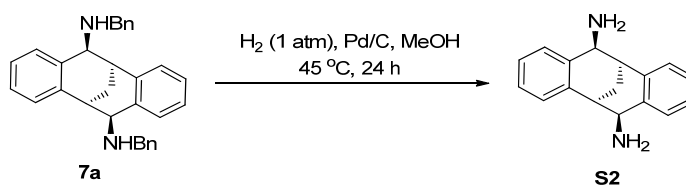
7b, $[\alpha]_D^{23} = +12$ (c 0.30, CHCl_3). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.80 (t, $J = 4.4$ Hz, 1 H), 7.56 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2 H), 7.50 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2 H), 7.38 (q, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 4 H), 7.33-7.24 (m, 2 H), 7.16-7.05 (m, 6 H), 7.00 (s, 1 H), 4.38 (d, $J = 13.6$ Hz, 1 H), 4.20-4.07 (m, 3 H), 4.05 (d, $J = 13.6$ Hz, 1 H), 3.68 (s, 1 H), 3.55 (t, $J = 4.4$ Hz, 1 H), 3.32 (s, 1 H), 2.71 (dd, $J = 2.8$ Hz, 12.0 Hz, 1 H), 2.06 (dd, $J = 3.6$ Hz, 12.0 Hz, 1 H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 140.9, 140.5, 139.1, 139.0, 138.1, 136.0, 130.7, 129.4, 128.6, 128.41, 128.39, 128.3, 128.1, 127.7, 127.2, 126.95, 126.93, 126.8, 126.6, 126.5, 63.6, 60.6, 52.5, 51.1, 36.4, 33.5, 24.3; HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{31}\text{N}_2$ [$\text{M}^+ + \text{H}$] 431.2482, found 431.2482.

Preparation of the amine 8

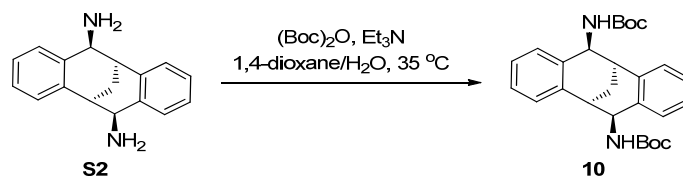


Under nitrogen atmosphere, the DIBAL-H (1.0 mol/L, 2.5 mL, 2.50 mmol, 5.0 eq) was slowly added to a mixture of (R)-6 (0.213 g, 0.50 mmol, 1.0 eq) in toluene (5.0 mL) at 0 °C and stirred for 2 h. Saturated potassium sodium tartrate solution was slowly added to the mixture to quench this reaction, after stirred for another 30 min at rt. The solid was filtered off and washed with EtOAc. The mixture was extracted with EtOAc, and the combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and concentrated. The crude product **8** (0.214 g, 99.5%) was pure enough for spectra characterization and was used in next step without purification. $[\alpha]_D^{23} = -24$ (c 0.20, CHCl_3). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.50 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 4 H), 7.45-7.35 (m, 4 H), 7.30 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2 H), 7.16-7.09 (m, 2 H), 7.09-7.02 (m, 4 H), 7.02-6.96 (m, 2 H), 4.20 (d, $J = 13.2$ Hz, 2 H), 4.08 (d, $J = 13.2$ Hz, 2 H), 3.62 (d, $J = 2.0$ Hz, 2 H), 3.37-3.25 (m, 2 H), 2.39 (t, $J = 2.8$ Hz, 2 H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 140.6, 139.7, 137.3, 130.2, 128.9, 128.5, 128.4, 127.2, 127.1, 126.6, 62.7, 52.4, 36.2, 18.4; HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{31}\text{N}_2$ [$\text{M}^+ + \text{H}$] 431.2482, found 431.2474.

Preparation of the amine 10



The reaction was conducted by following the known procedure with slight modification:^[1] A 10 ml flask containing a mixture of 10% Pd/C (0.130 g), **7a** (0.213 g, 0.50 mmol) in MeOH (4 mL) was purged with H₂ and stirred at 45 °C for 24 h with a hydrogen balloon. After cooling to room temperature, the mixture was filtered through a pad of celite, washed with EtOAc and concentrated to afford the desired diamine **S2** (0.121 g, 97%) which was used in next step without further purification.

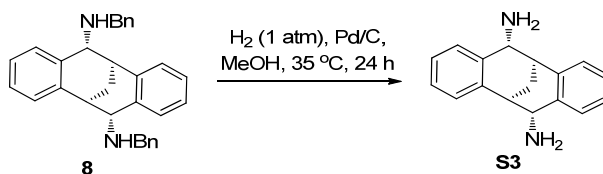


A mixture of diamine **S2** (0.121 g, 0.48 mmol, 1.0 eq), di-tert-butyl dicarbonate ester (0.3 mL, 1.45 mmol, 3.0 eq), triethylamine (0.20 mL, 1.45 mmol, 3.0 eq) in 1,4-dioxane/H₂O (2:1, 7.5 mL) was stirred at 35 °C for 12 h. After cooling to room temperature, the 1,4-dioxane was removed by evaporation. The residue was extracted with EtOAc, washed with brine, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated. The crude product was purified by column chromatography on silica (5% ethyl acetate/hexanes) to afford the desired product **10** (0.202 g, 93%). **A pair of stereomers (~7:1) was observed by ¹H NMR at room temperature presumable due to the partially inhibited rotation of the amide functionality. The high temperature (70 °C, DMSO-*d*₆) ¹H NMR clearly showed a single isomer.**

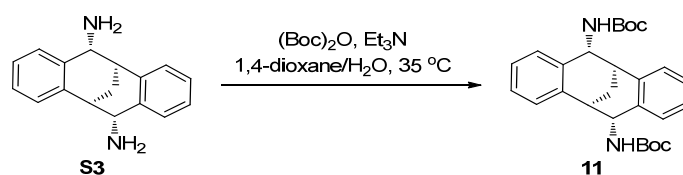
$$[\alpha]_D^{23} = +65 \text{ (c 0.52, CHCl}_3\text{)}.$$

¹H NMR (400 MHz, **CDCl**₃): δ 7.35-7.26 (m, 2 H), 7.24-7.15 (m, 4 H), 7.14-7.01 (m, 2 H), 5.24 (dd, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 10.0 Hz, 2 H), 4.50 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 2 H), 3.45-3.28 (m, 2 H), 2.44 (t, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 2 H), 1.55 (s, 18 H); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, **70 °C, DMSO-*d*₆**): δ 7.25-7.13 (m, 6 H), 7.05-6.97 (m, 2 H), 5.62 (s, 2 H), 5.08 (dd, *J* = 5.2 Hz, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 3.36-3.25 (m, 2 H), 2.36 (t, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 2 H), 1.51 (s, 18 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, **CDCl**₃): δ 156.0, 136.7, 135.7, 130.6, 127.4, 127.2, 126.7, 79.7, 54.5, 36.7, 29.5, 28.6; HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₂₇H₃₅O₄N₂ [*M*⁺+*H*] 451.2591, found 451.2587.

Preparation of the amine **11**



A 10 ml flask containing a mixture of 10% Pd/C (0.130 g), **8** (0.215 g, 0.50 mmol) in MeOH (4 mL) was purged with H₂ and stirred at 45 °C for 24 h with a hydrogen balloon. After cooling to room temperature, the mixture was filtered through a pad of celite, washed with EtOAc and concentrated to afford the desired diamine **S3** (0.120 g, 96%) which was used in next step without further purification.



A mixture of diamine **S3** (0.120 g, 0.48 mmol, 1.0 eq), di-tert-butyl dicarbonate ester (0.30 mL, 1.45 mmol, 3.0 eq), triethylamine (0.20 mL, 1.45 mmol, 3.0 eq) in 1,4-dioxane/H₂O (2:1, 7.5 mL) was stirred at 35 °C for 12 h. After cooling to room temperature, the 1,4-dioxane was removed by evaporation. The residue was extracted with EtOAc, washed with brine, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated. The crude product was purified by column chromatography on silica (5% ethyl acetate/hexanes) to afford the product **11** (0.178 g, 83%). **A pair of isomers due to partially inhibited rotations were observed.**

$$[\alpha]_D^{23} = +55 \text{ (c 0.32, CHCl}_3\text{)}.$$

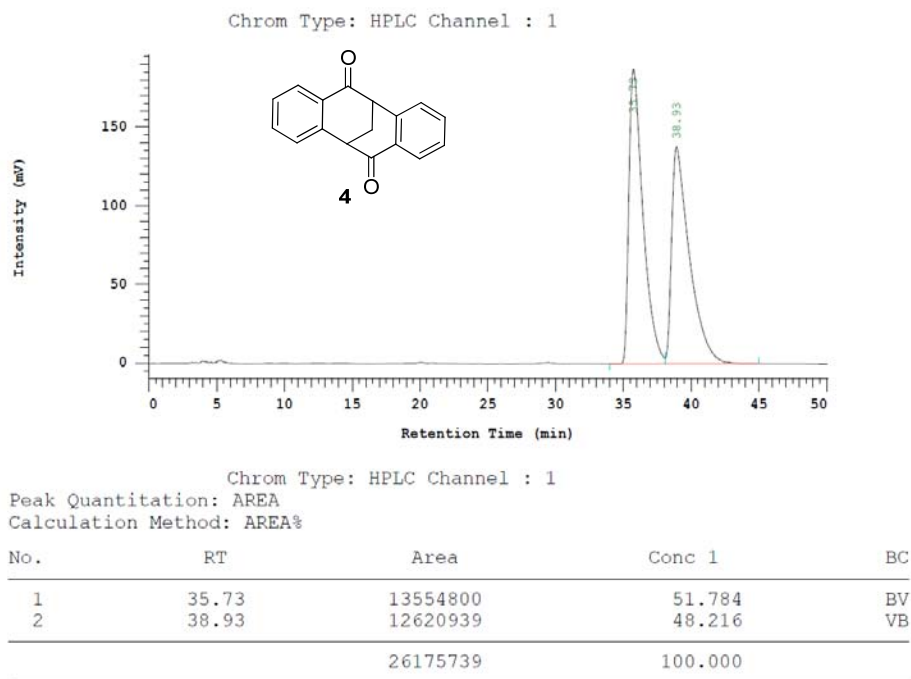
¹H NMR (400 MHz, **CDCl**₃): δ 7.81 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2 H), 7.58-7.50 (m, 2 H), 7.47 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 4 H), 5.34 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2 H), 4.98 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2 H), 3.73 (s, 2 H), 2.46 (s, 2 H), 1.85 (s, 18 H); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, **70 °C, DMSO-*d*₆**): δ 7.28 (dd, *J* = 0.7 Hz, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2 H), 7.20 (td, *J* = 1.6 Hz, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 3 H), 7.11 (td, *J* = 1.6 Hz, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 3 H), 7.06 (dd, *J* = 1.2 Hz, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2 H), 4.51 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2 H), 3.10 (s, 2 H), 2.22 (t, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 2 H), 1.49 (s, 18 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, **CDCl**₃): δ 155.0, 139.1, 133.7, 130.5, 129.8, 128.1, 127.4, 79.6, 55.4, 38.1, 28.5, 19.3. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₂₇H₃₅O₄N₂ [*M*⁺+*H*] 451.2591, found 451.2583.

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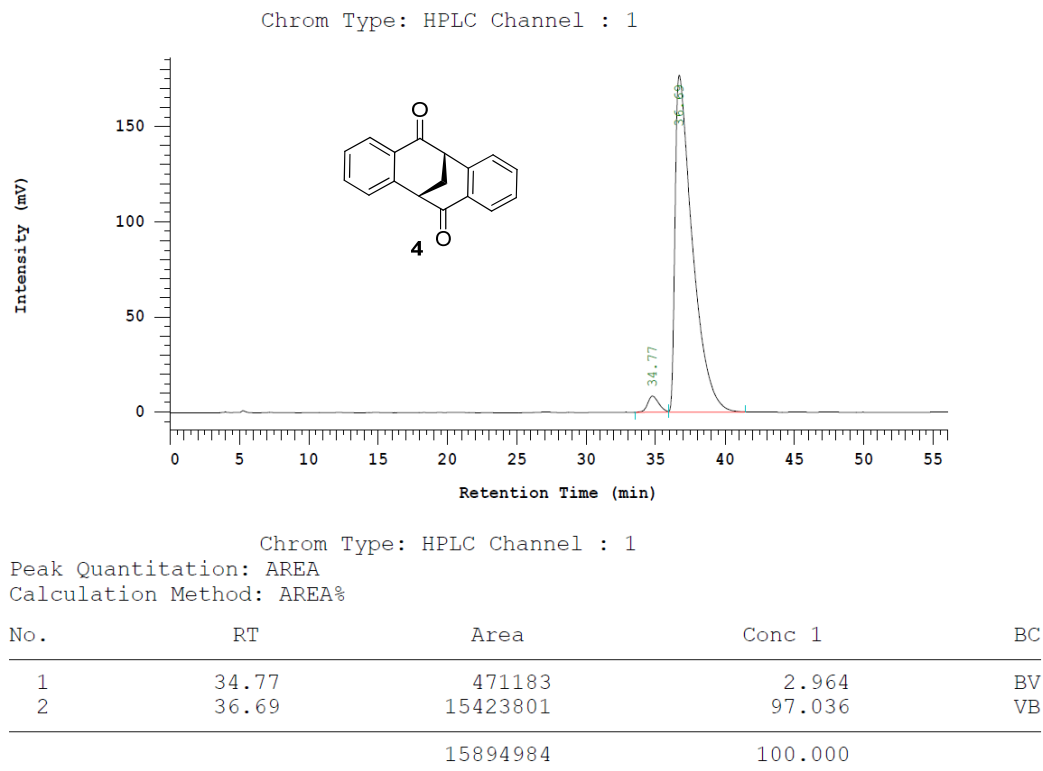
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HPLC (Chiralcel OD-H, 3% 2-propanol in hexane, flow: 1.0 mL/min).

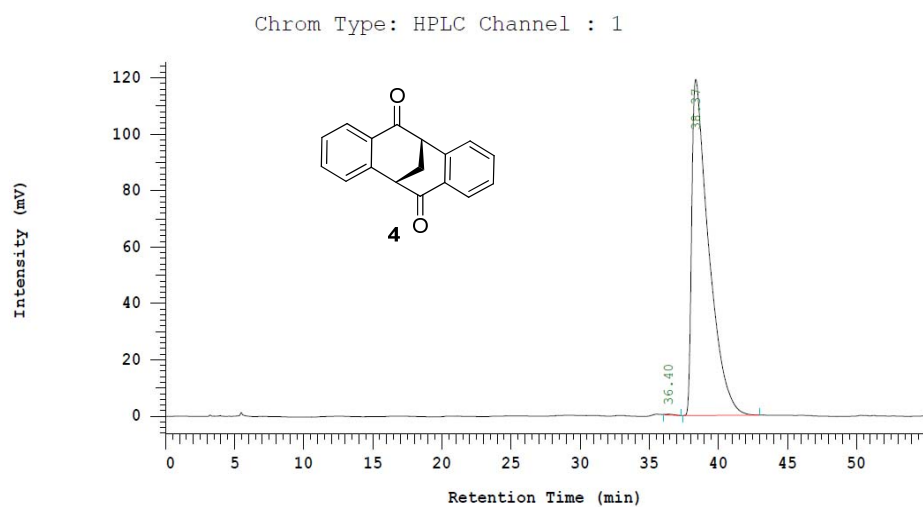
The diketone (±)-4



The diketone (-)-4 (94.1% ee)



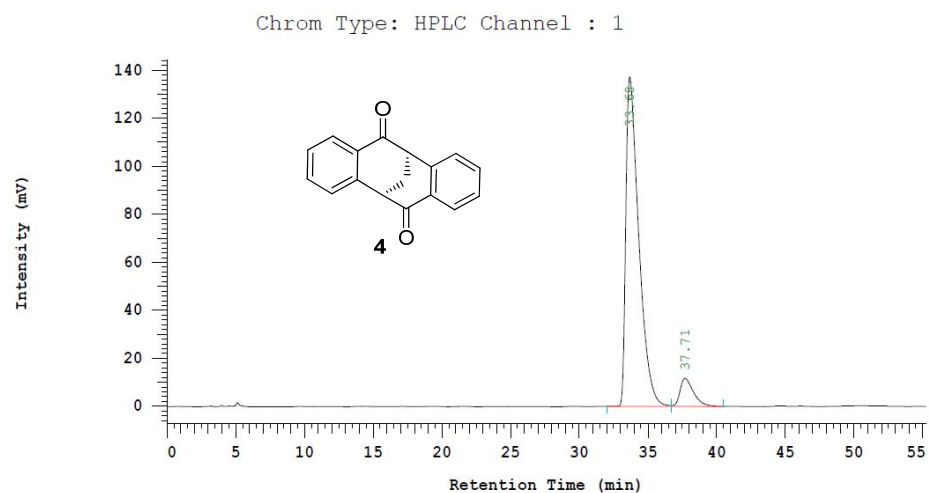
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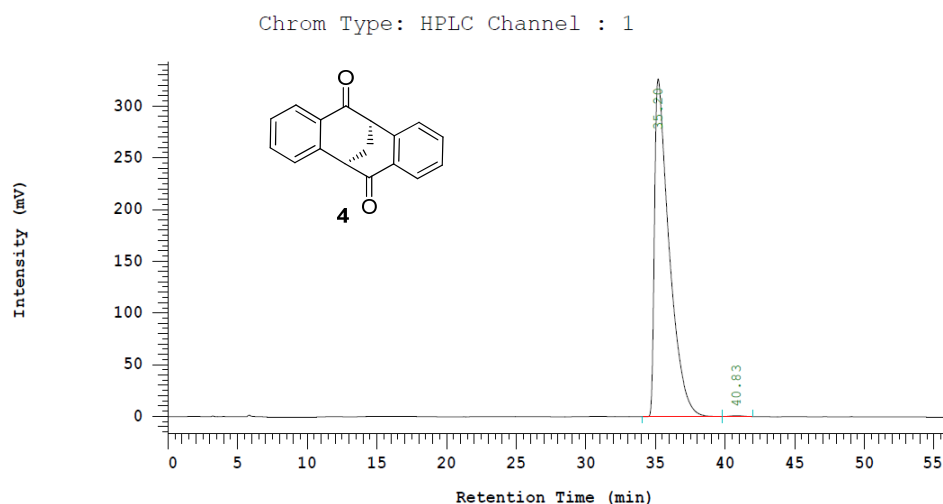
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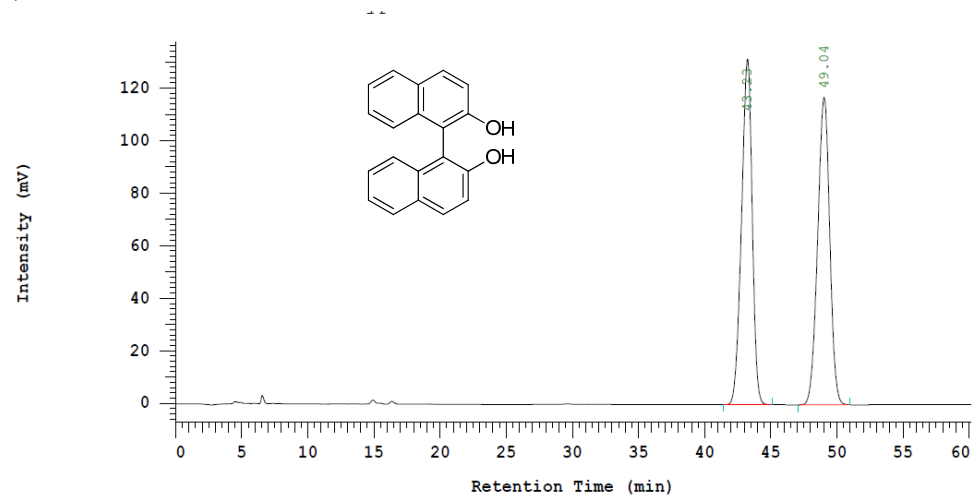


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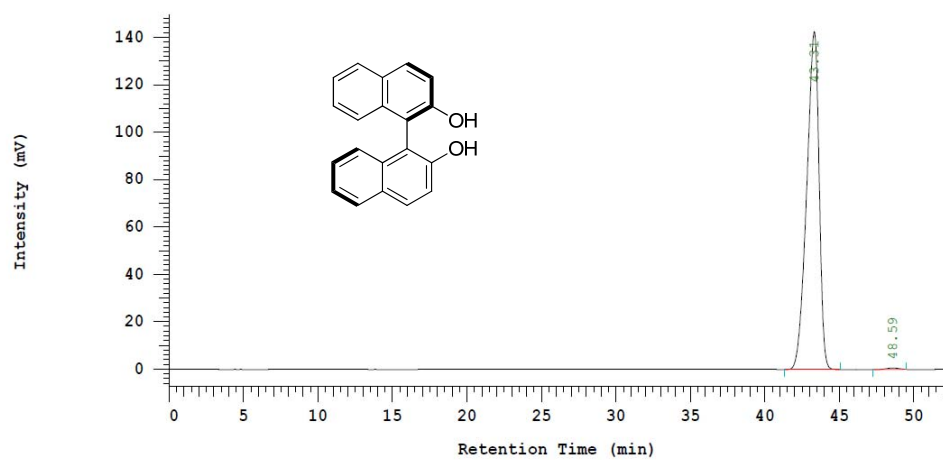
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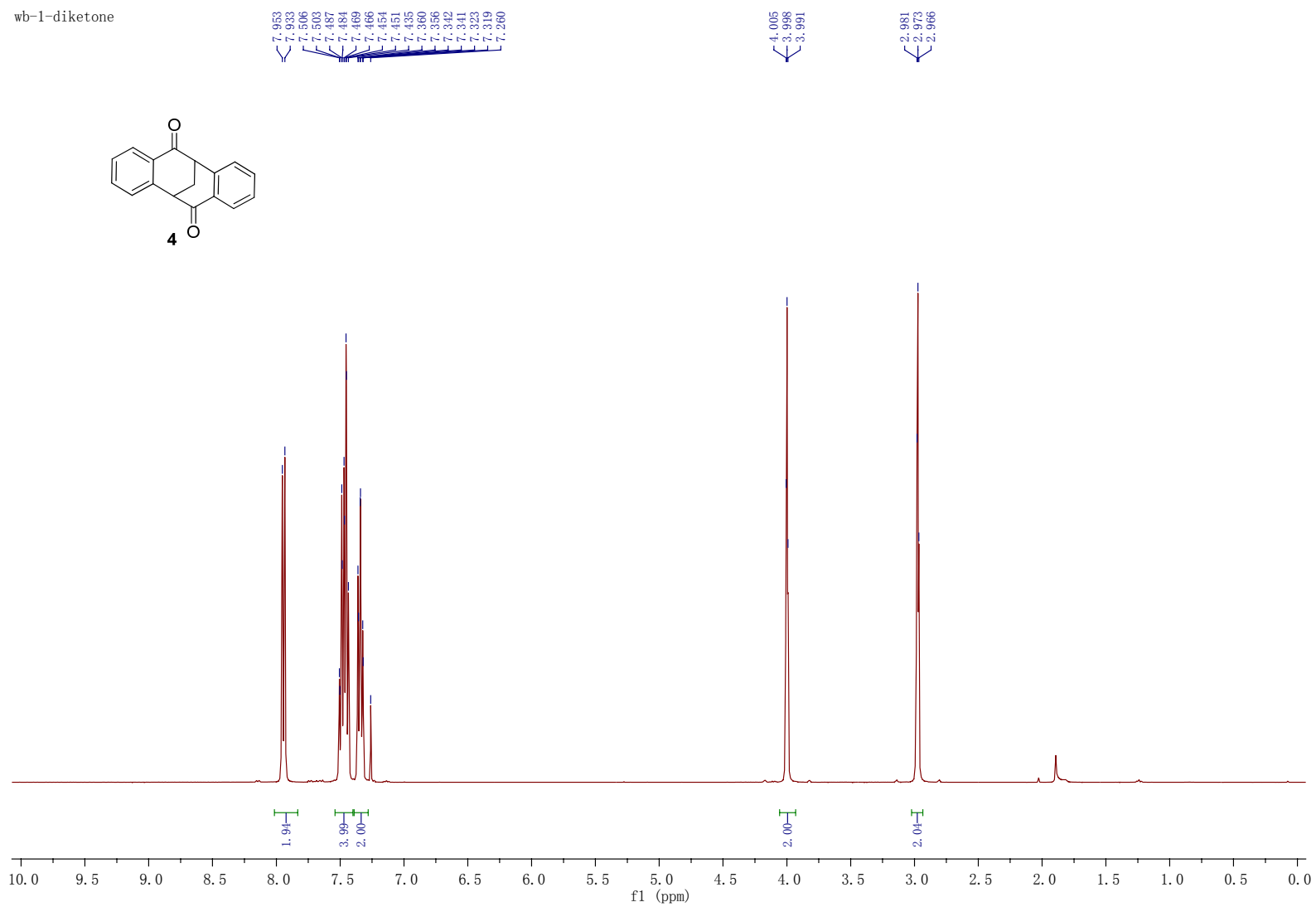


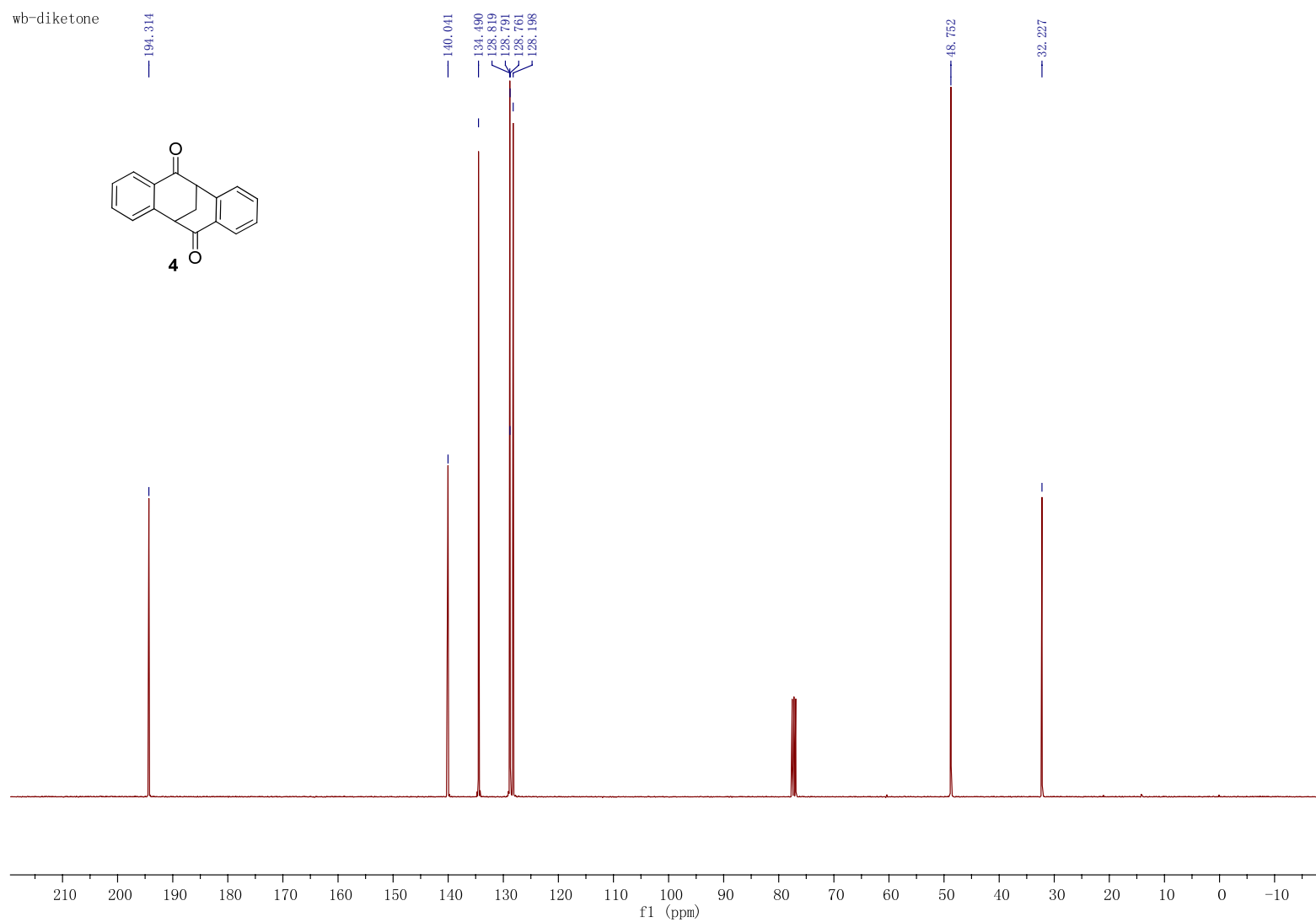
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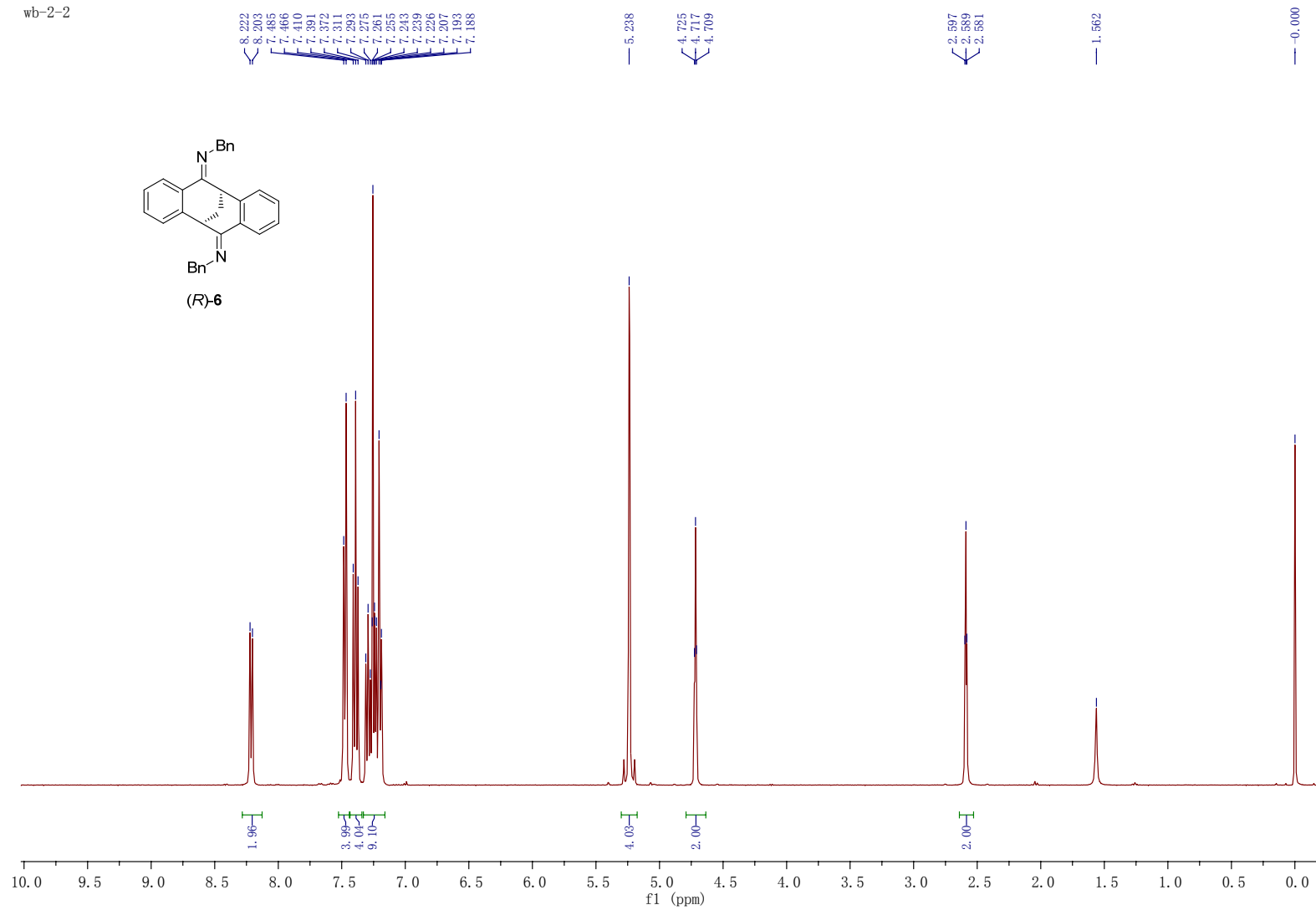
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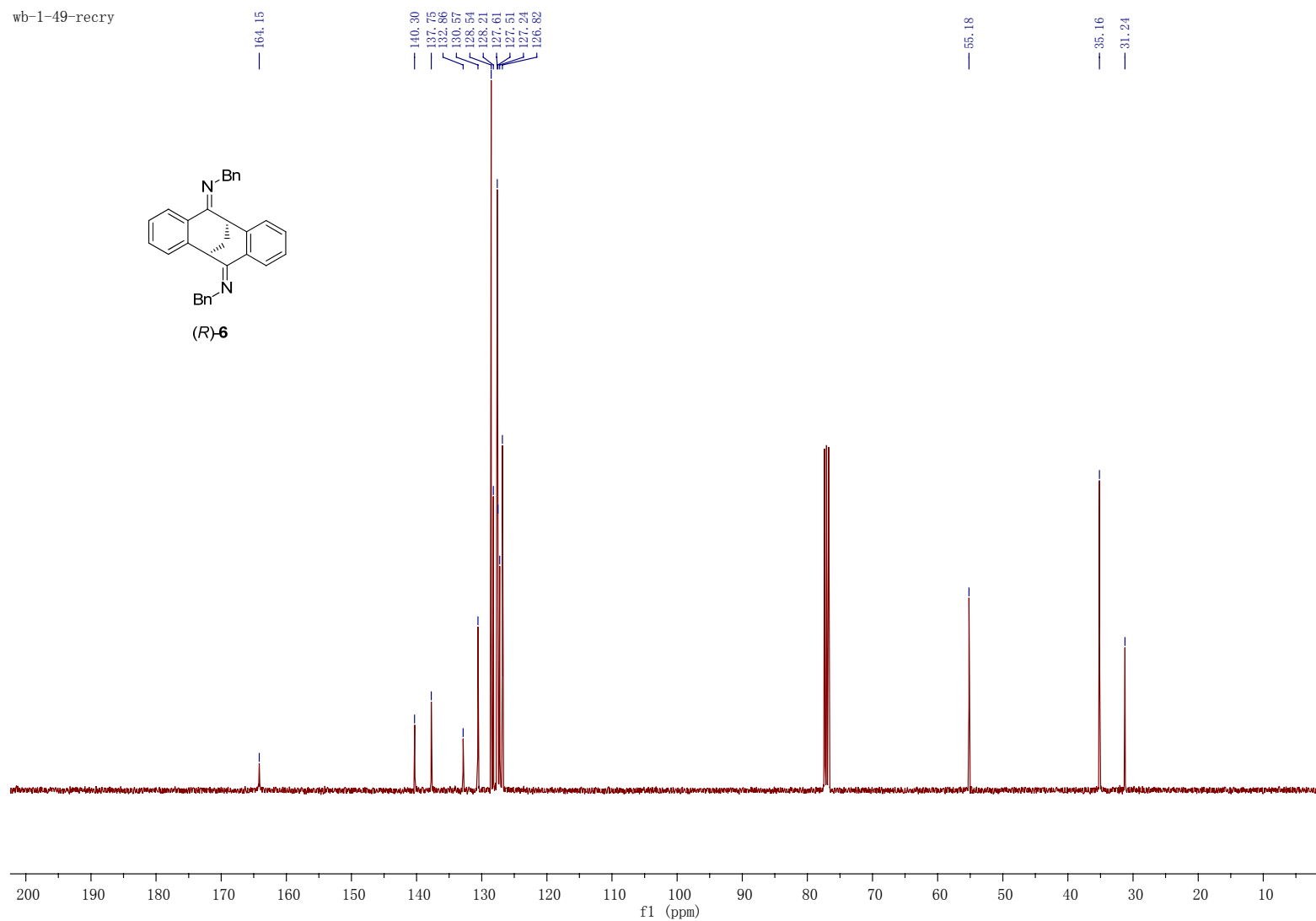
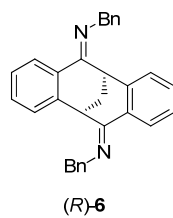




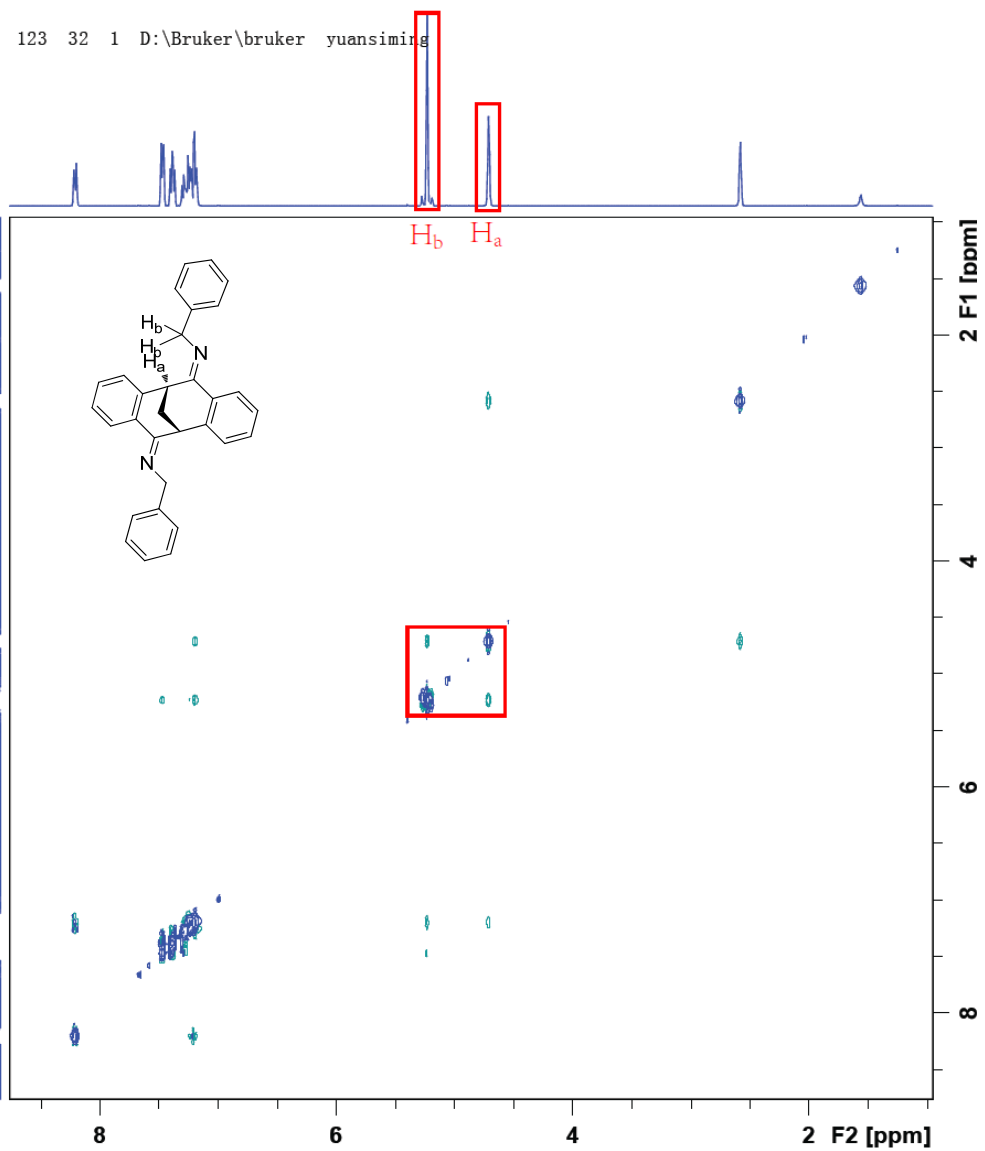
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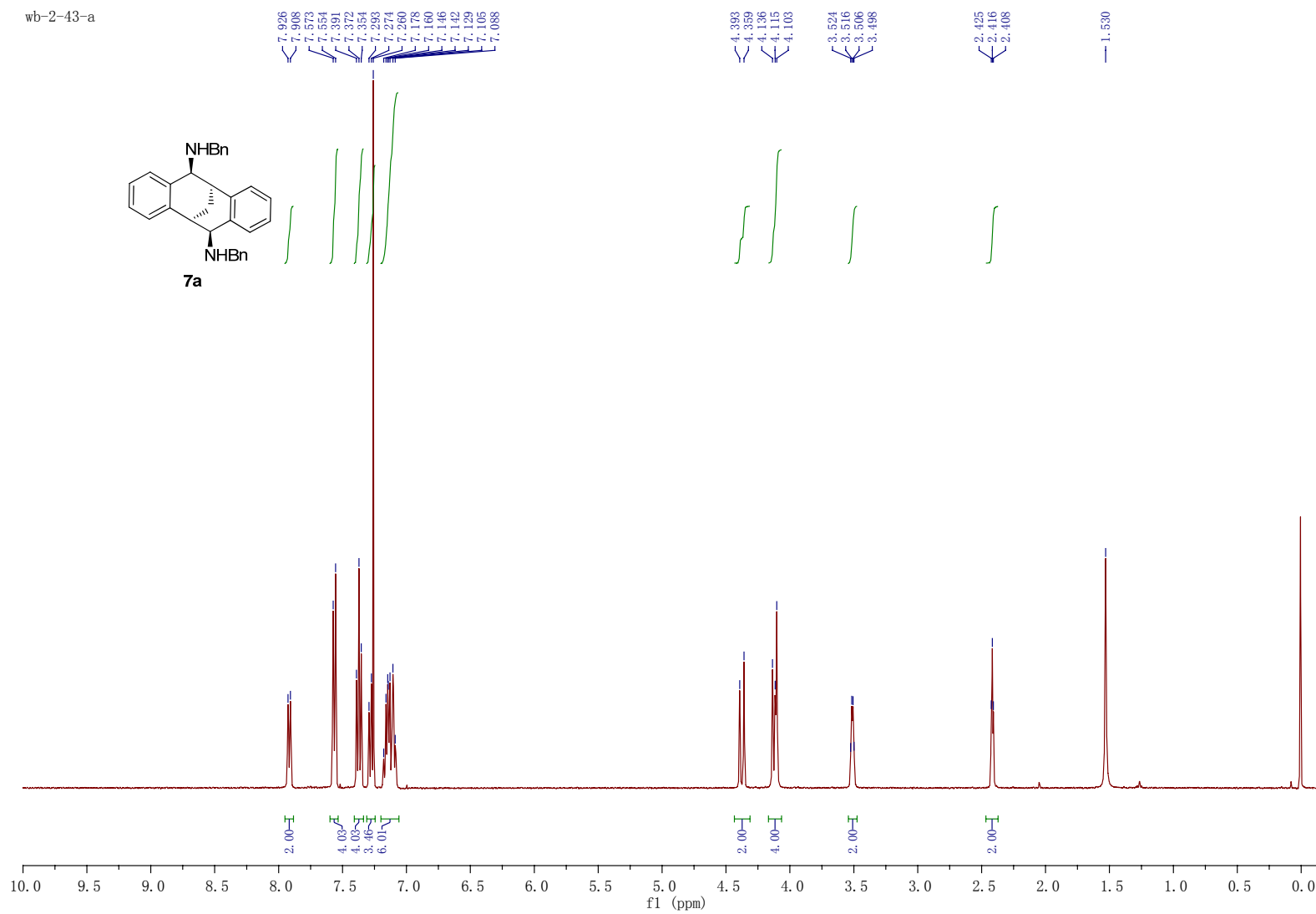
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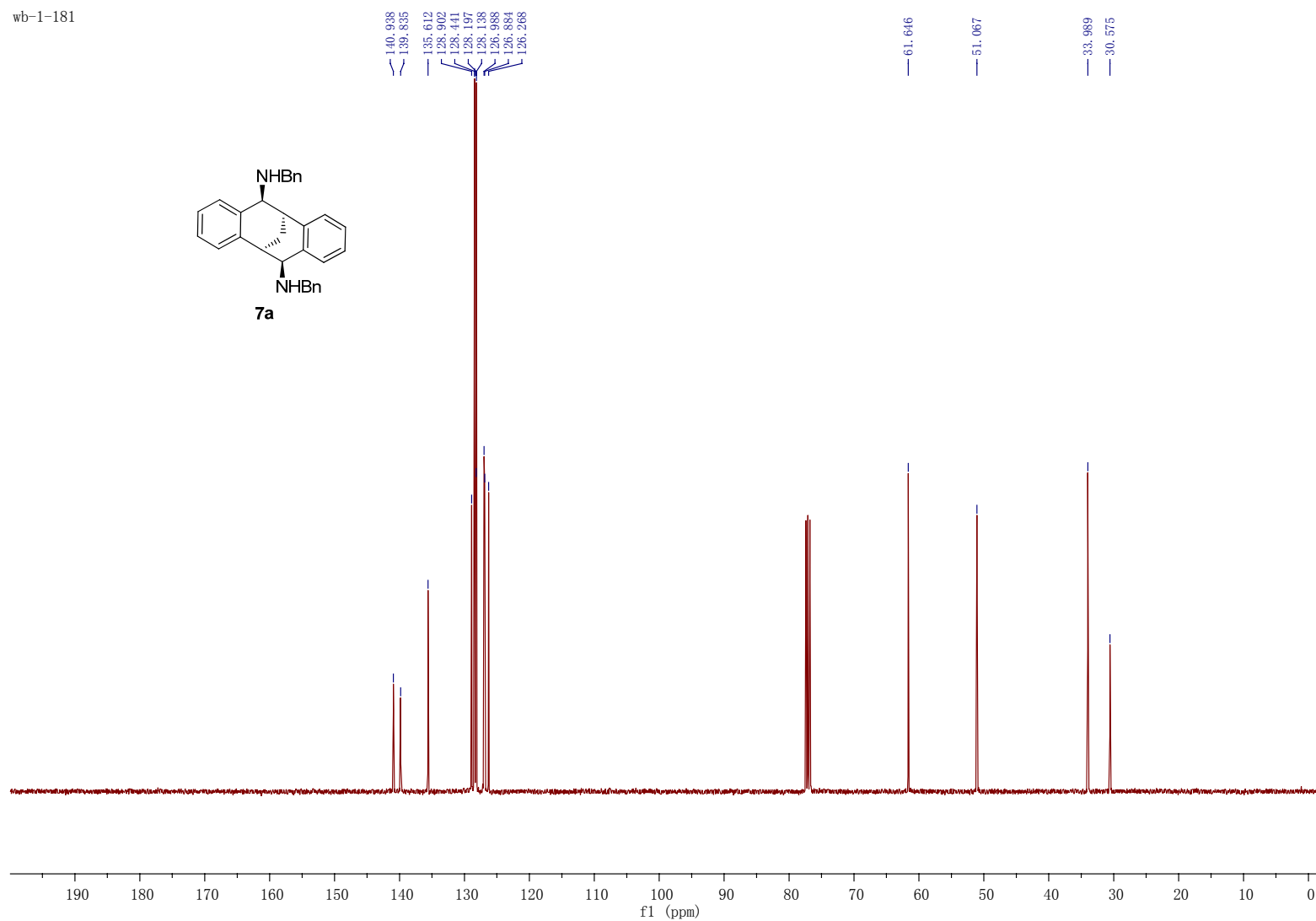
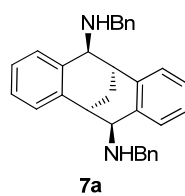
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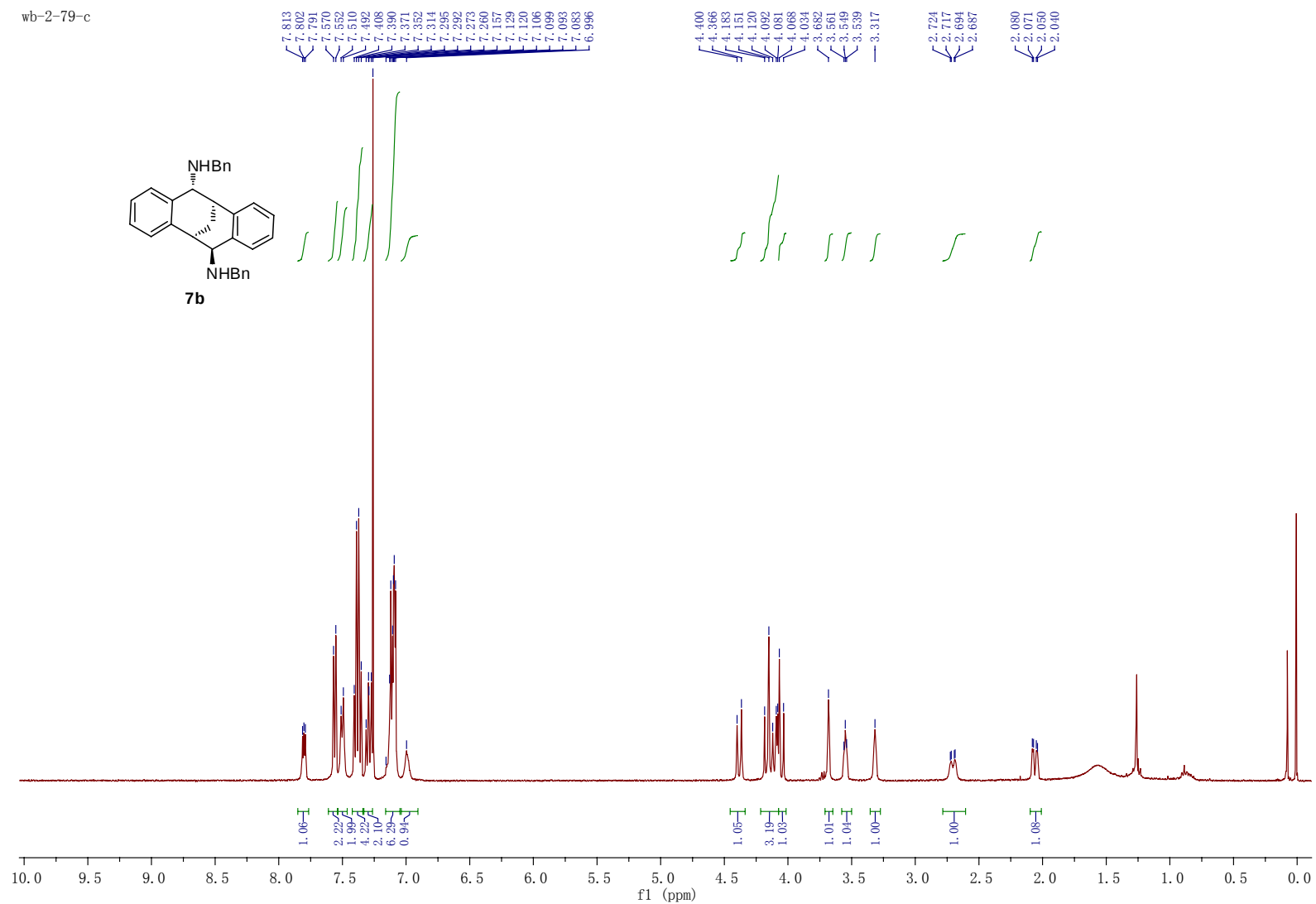
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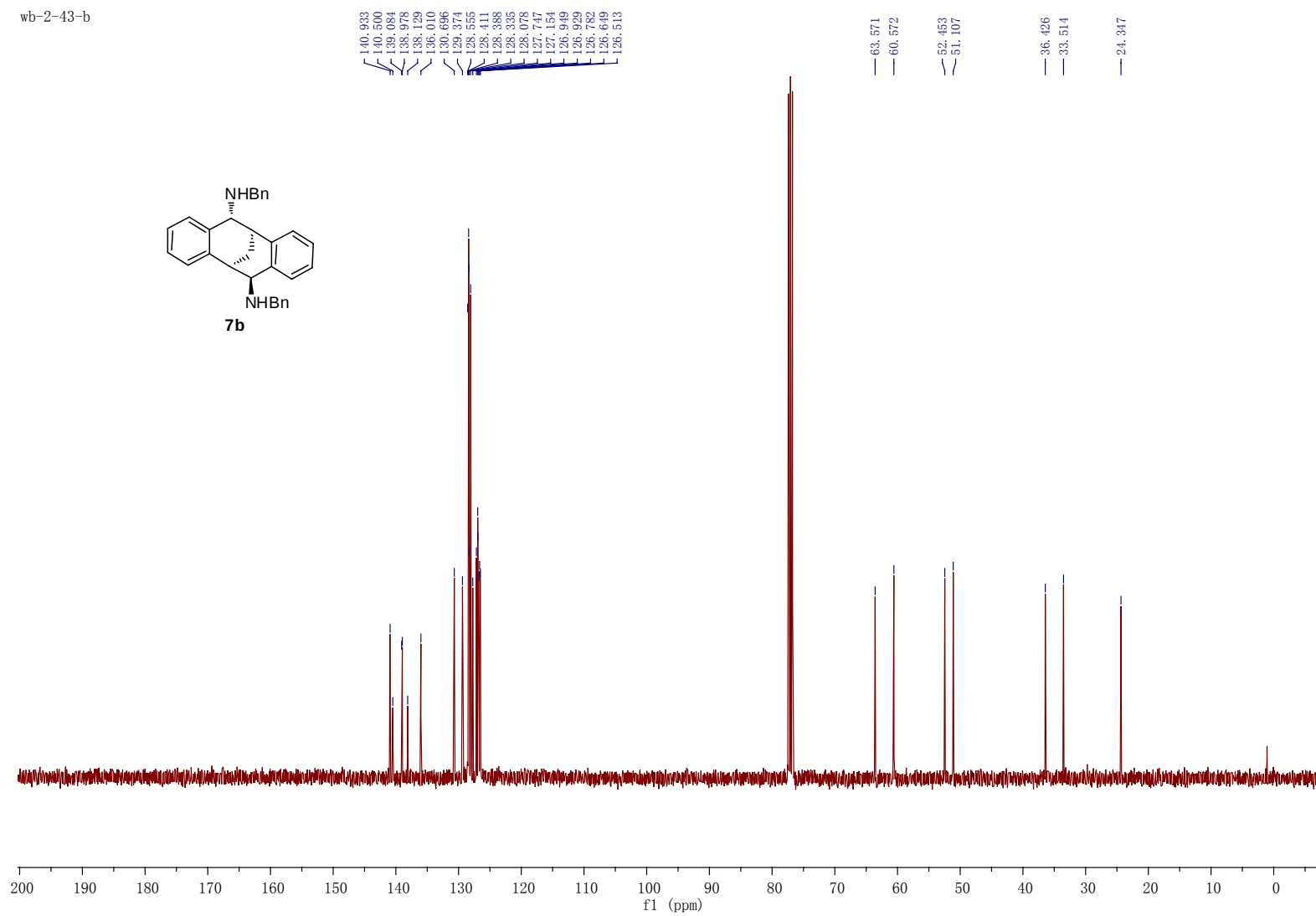
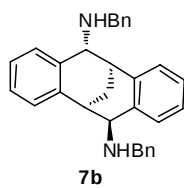
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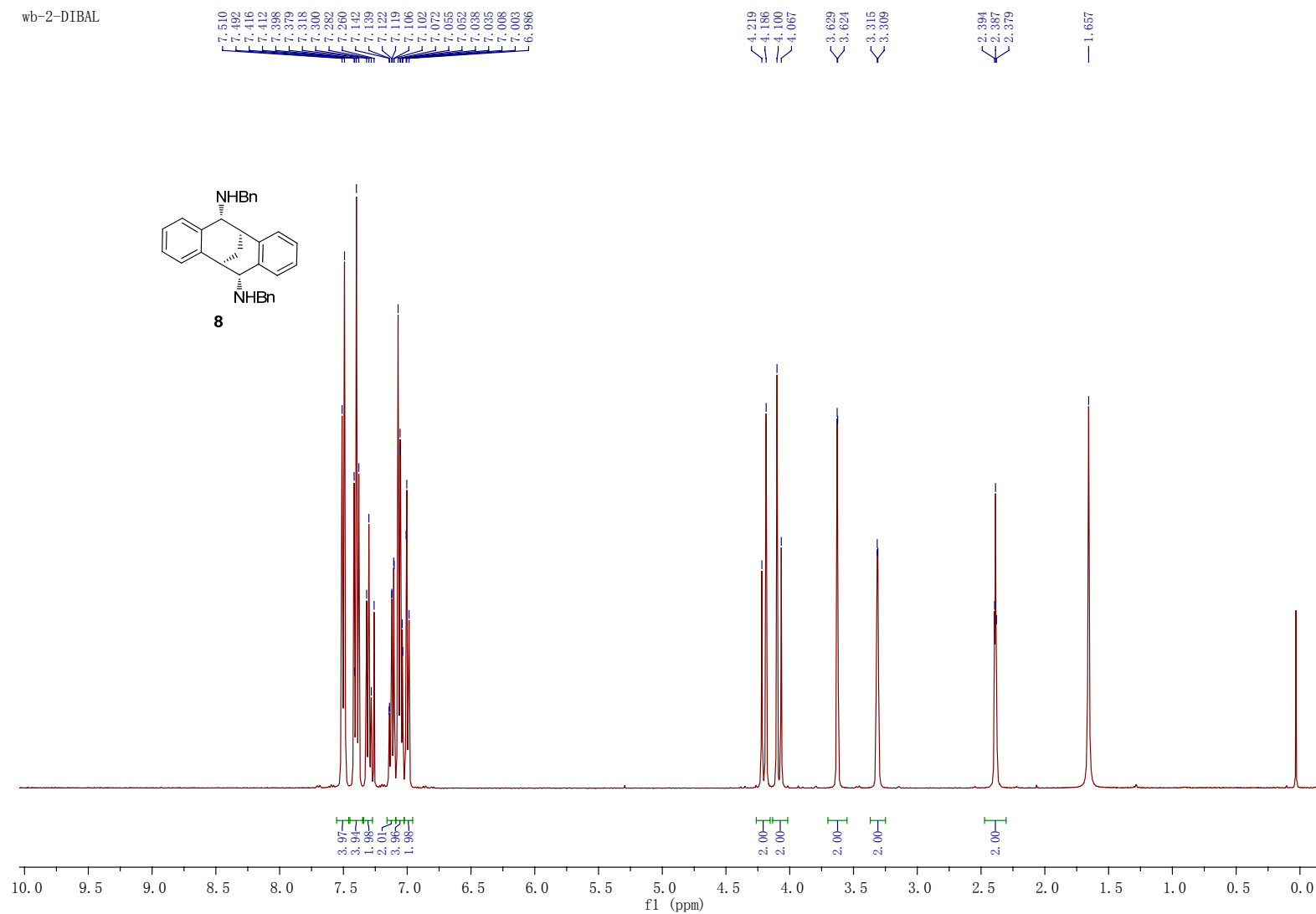
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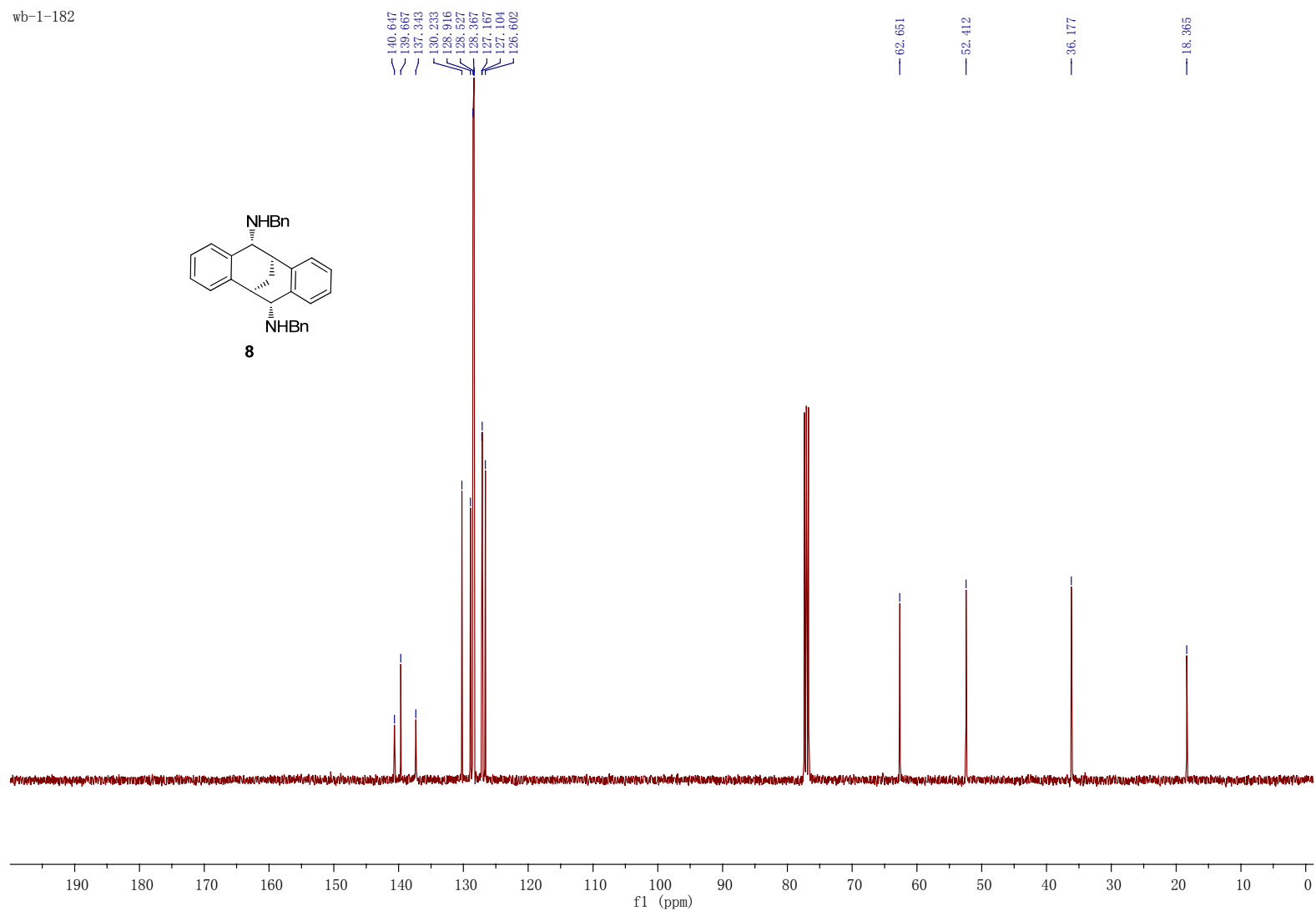
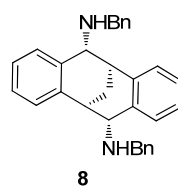
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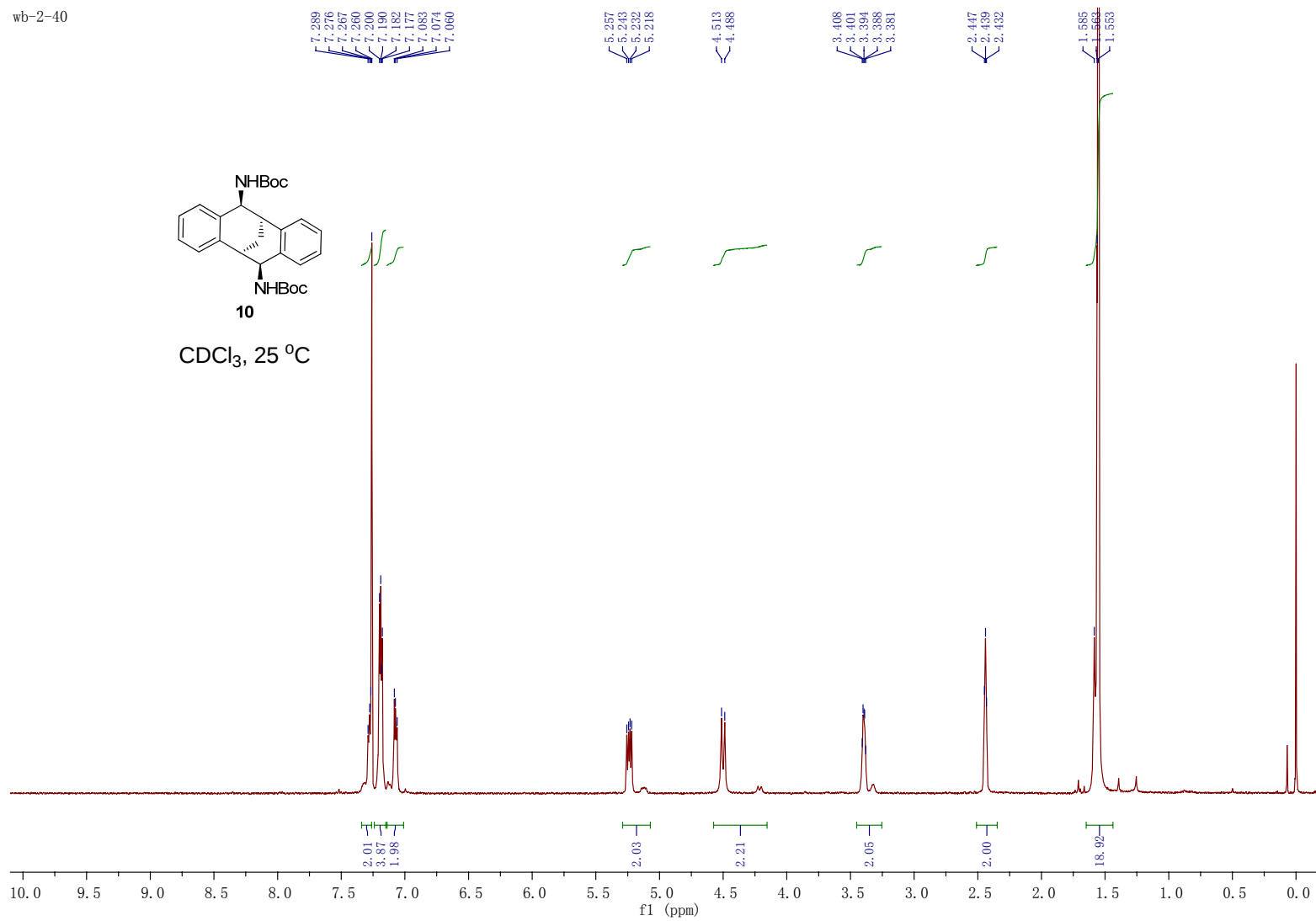
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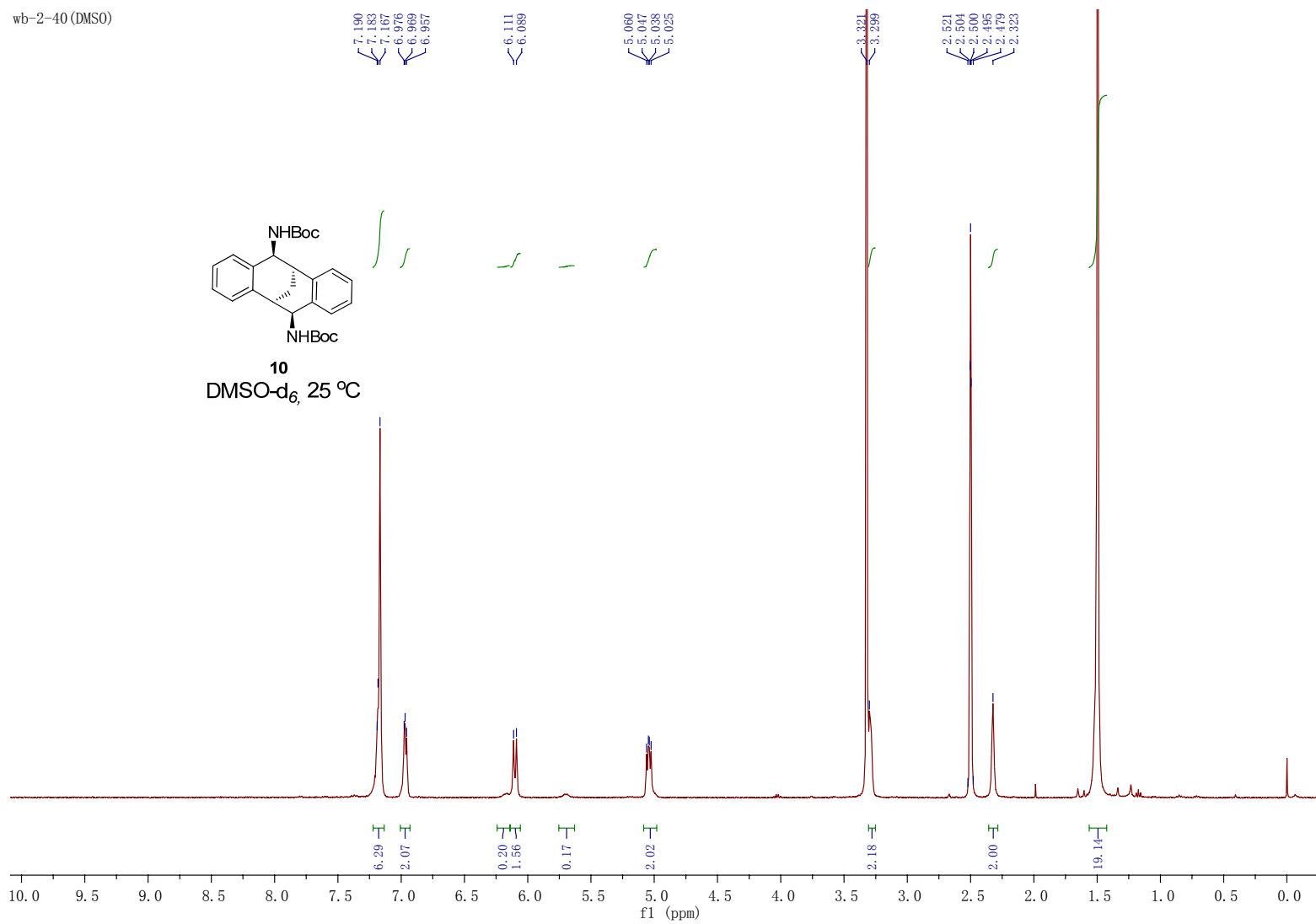
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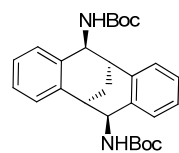
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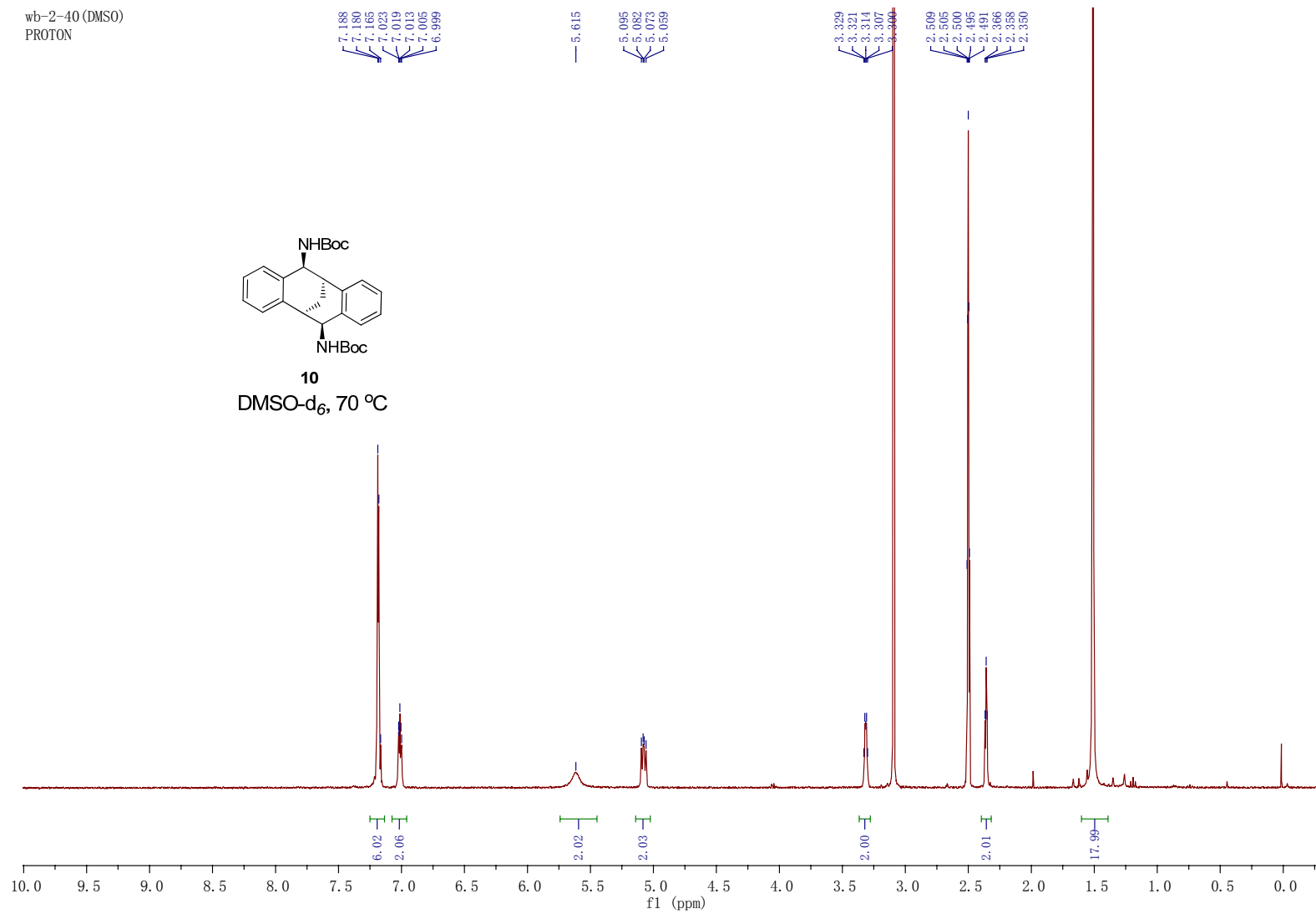
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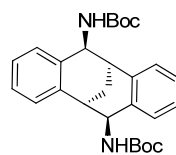
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PROTON



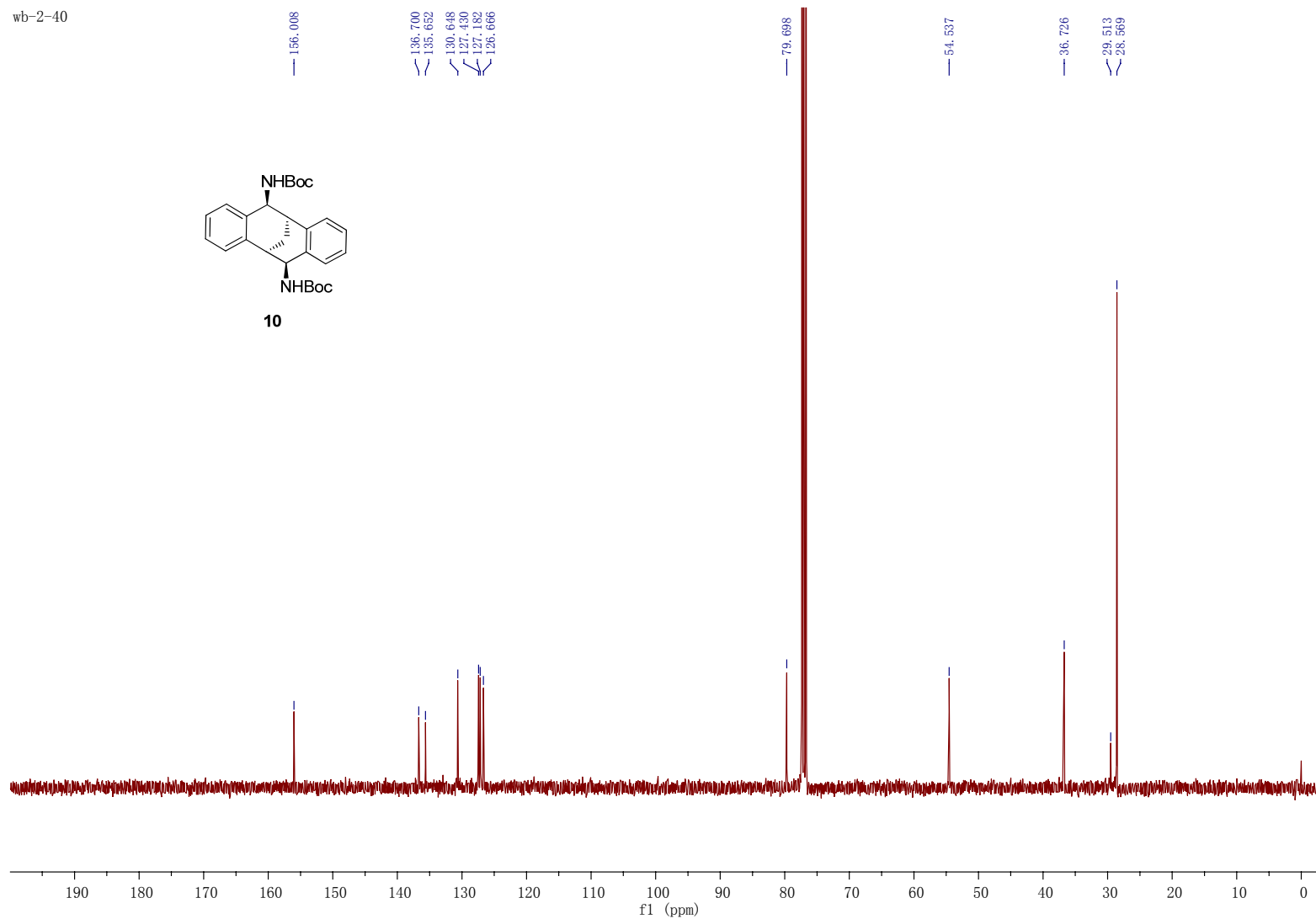
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DMSO-d₆, 70 °C



wb-2-40



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wb-DIBAL-Boc

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7.797
7.600
7.562
7.552
7.541
7.534
7.522
7.472
7.462

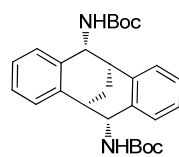
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5.336
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4.973

3.730

2.464

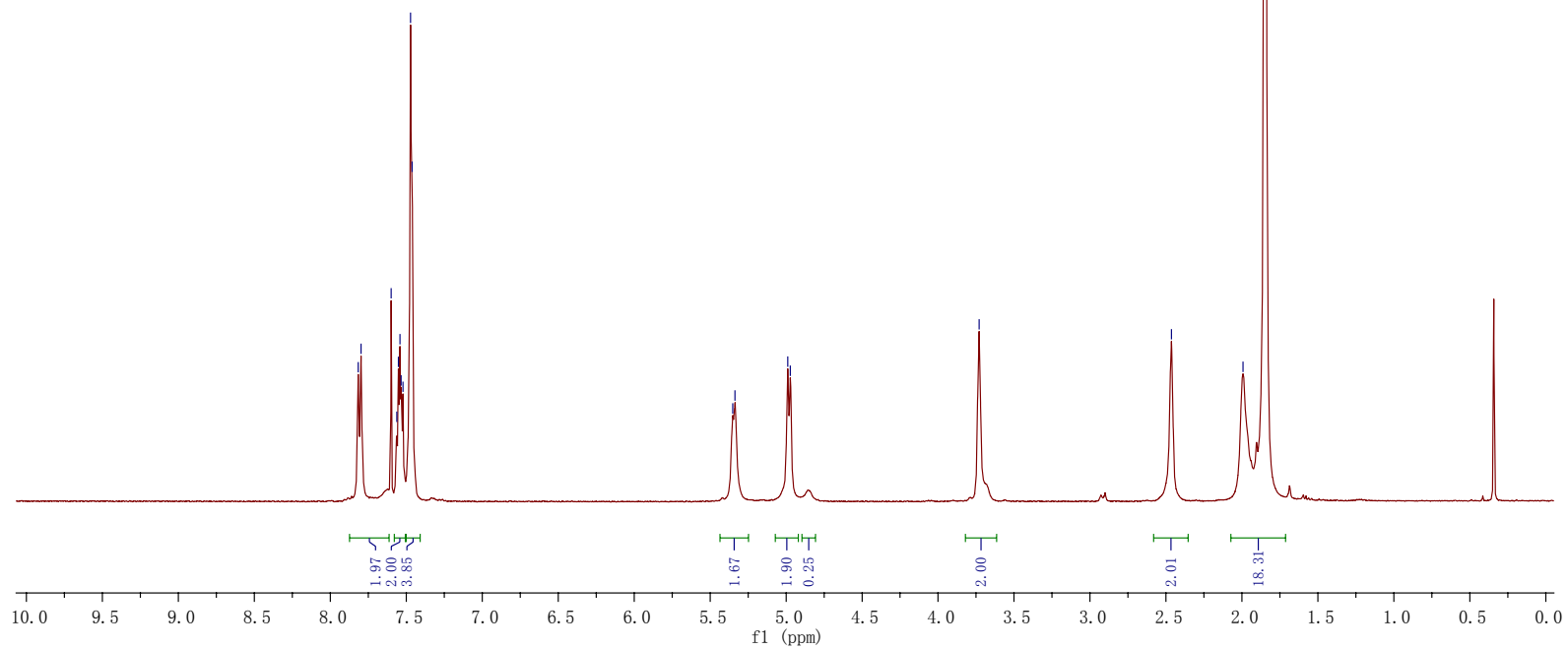
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1.944

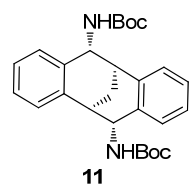


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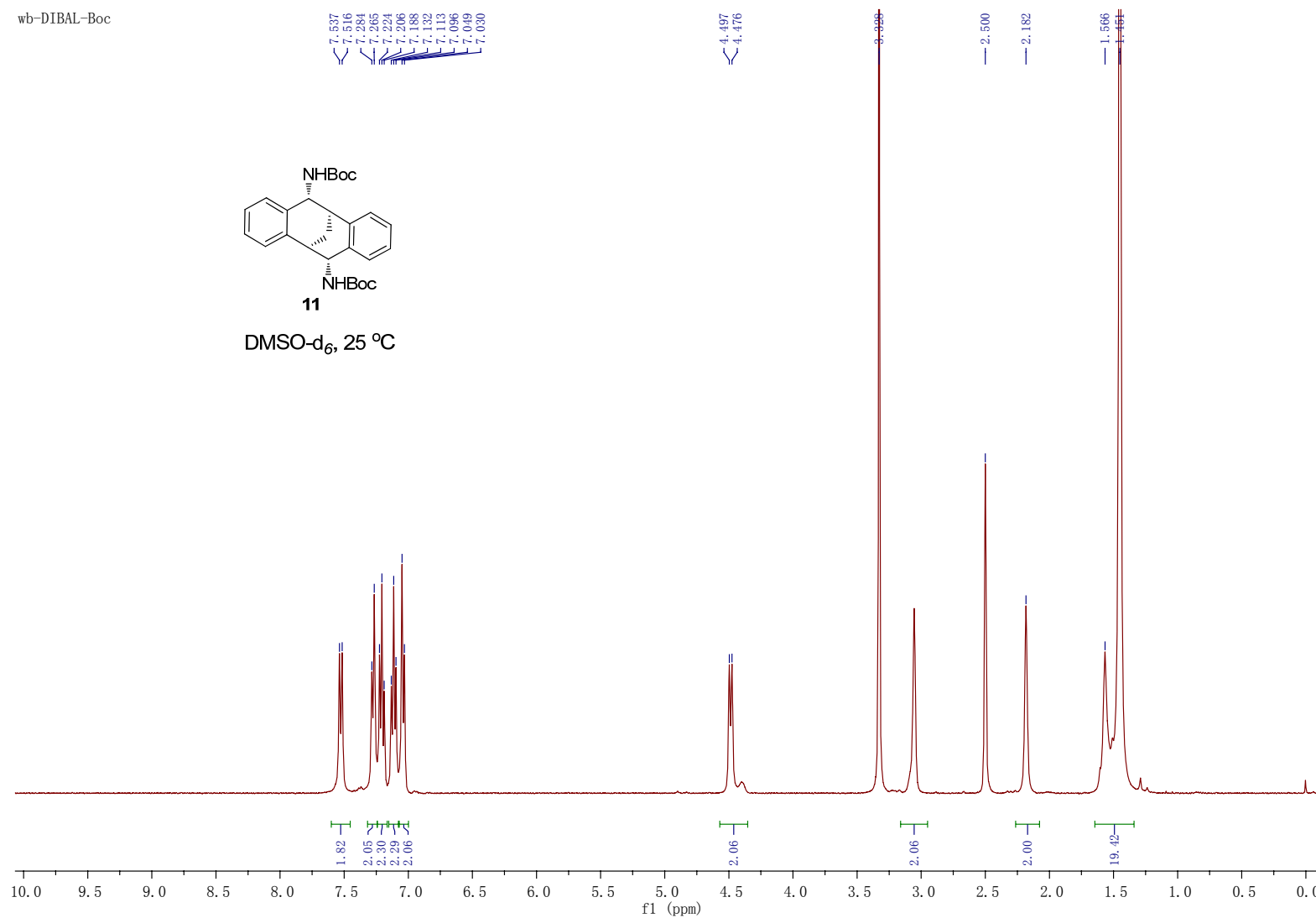
CDCl₃, 25 °C



wb-DIBAL-Boc



DMSO-d₆, 25 °C



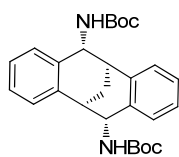
105L13_WB_DIBAL_Boc 70 °
PROTON

7.295
7.278
7.222
7.218
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7.200
7.185
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7.113
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4.497

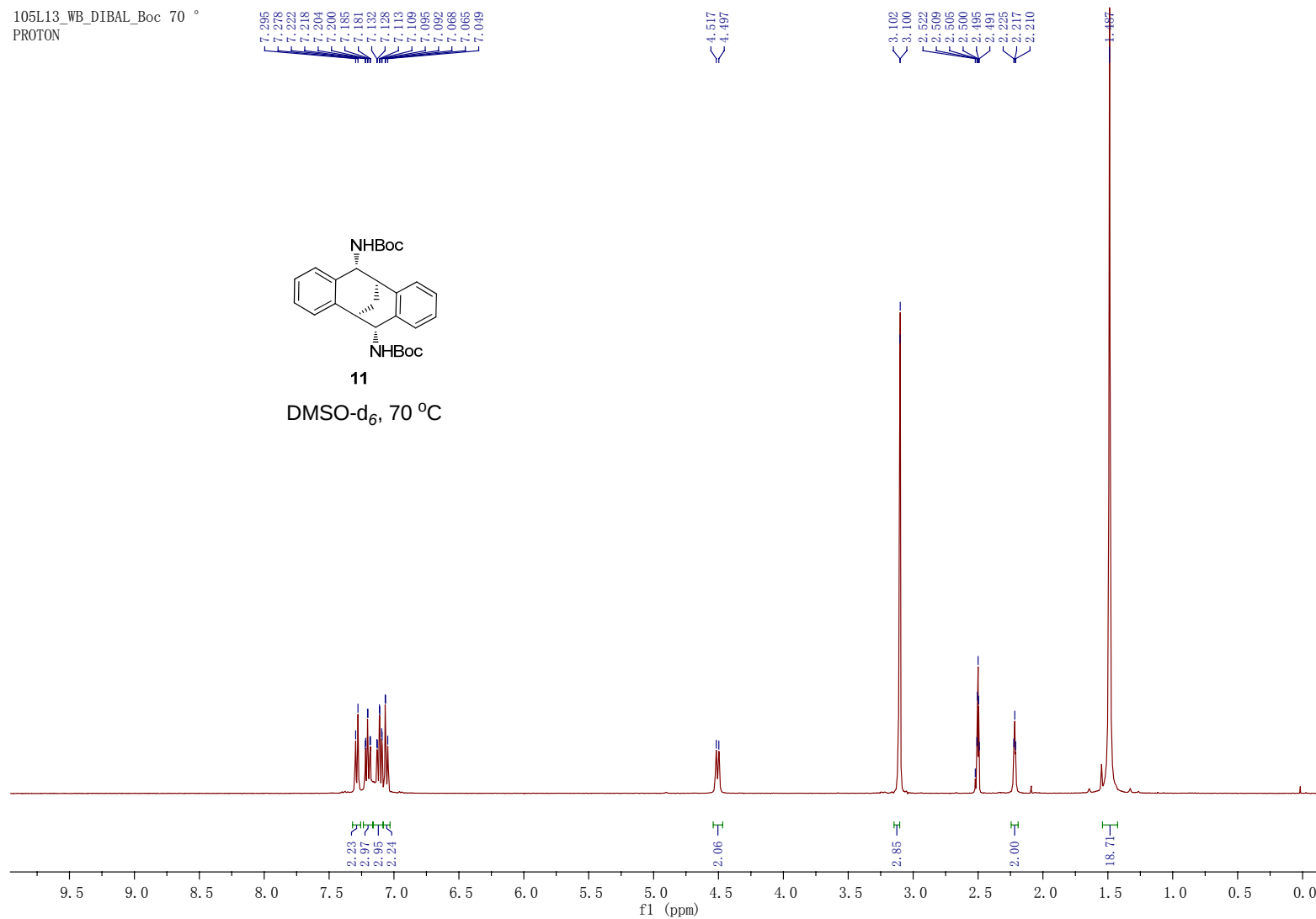
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3.100
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2.509
2.505
2.500
2.495
2.491
2.225
2.217
2.210

1.465



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DMSO-d₆, 70 °C



wb-DIBAL-Boc

