

Electronic Supplementary Information (ESI):

Divergent Reaction: Metal & Oxidant Free Direct C-H Aryloxylation and Hydride Free Formal Reductive *N*-benzylation of *N*-heterocycles

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Experimental Section:

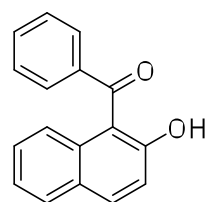
General: All reactions involving air- or moisture-sensitive reagents or intermediates were carried out in oven-dried glassware under an argon atmosphere. Dichloromethane (CH₂Cl₂) was freshly distilled from phosphorus(V)oxide (P₂O₅). Triethylamine (Et₃N) was distilled from CaH₂ and stored under argon. Commercial grade xylene, benzene and toluene were distilled before use. All other solvents and reagents were purified according to standard procedures or were used as received from Aldrich, Acros, Merck and Spectrochem. Microwave reactions were performed on CEM, Discover system. ¹H, ¹³C NMR spectroscopy: *Varian Mercury plus 400 MHz, Bruker 600 MHz* (at 298 K). Chemical shifts, δ (in ppm), are reported relative to TMS δ (¹H) 0.0 ppm, δ (¹³C) 0.0 ppm) which was used as the inner reference. Otherwise the solvents residual proton resonance and carbon resonance (CHCl₃, δ (¹H) 7.26 ppm, δ (¹³C) 77.2 ppm; CD₃OD, (¹H) 3.31 ppm, δ (¹³C) 49.0 ppm) were used for calibration. Column chromatography: Merck or Spectrochem silica gel 60-120 under gravity. IR: spectra were recorded on Perkin Elmer Instrument at normal temperature making KBr pellet grinding the sample with KBr (IR Grade). MS (ESI-HRMS): Mass spectra were recorded on a Agilent Accurate-Mass Q-TOF LC/MS 6520, and peaks are given in *m/z* (% of basis peak).

Experimental procedure:

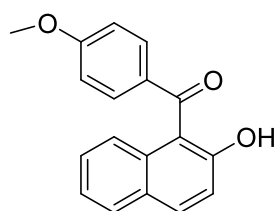
General procedure for preparation of ketones: GPI¹

2-naphthol (1.44 g, 10 mmol) in 10 mL of $\text{BF}_3 \cdot \text{OEt}_2$ was heated at 60 °C to make it soluble. Then benzoic acid (1.1 eq) was added to it and resulting reaction mixture was heated at 100 °C for 20 h. Reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and diluted with water (50 mL). Then the mixture was extracted with EtOAc (3×30 mL). Then the combined organic layers were dried (Na_2SO_4) and concentrated in vacuum. The crude product was purified by SiO_2 -gel column chromatography.

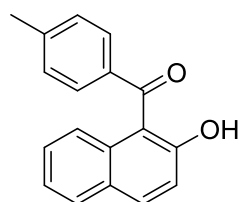
(2-Hydroxy-naphthalen-1-yl)-phenyl-methanone (1b):³ According to GPI: 2-naphthol (1.44 g, 10.00 mmol), benzoic acid (1.34 g, 11.00 mmol) in 10 mL $\text{BF}_3 \cdot \text{OEt}_2$ for 20 h and SiO_2 - column chromatography (EtOAc : Hexane, 1 : 20) gave **1b** as orange yellow crystal (1.61 g, 65%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ = 11.15 (s, 1H), 7.86 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.68 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.56 – 7.54 (m, 2H), 7.450 – 7.47 (m, 1H), 7.35 – 7.31 (m, 2H), 7.22 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.17 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.11 – 7.05 (m, 1H). LRMS (ESI) data calculated for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{11}\text{O}_2^-$ $[\text{M}-\text{H}]^-$: 247.07 ; found : 247.17



(2-Hydroxy-naphthalen-1-yl)-(4-methoxy-phenyl)-methanone (3a):² According to GPI: 2-naphthol (0.57 g, 4.00 mmol), 4-Methoxy-benzoic acid (0.66 g, 4.40 mmol) in 4 mL $\text{BF}_3 \cdot \text{OEt}_2$ for 20 hrs and SiO_2 -column chromatography (EtOAc : Hexane, 1 : 15) gave **3a** as yellow crystal, (0.49 g, 44 %). ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ = 10.59 (s, 1H), 7.91 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.76 – 7.75 (m, 1H), 7.66 – 7.63 (m, 2H), 7.42 – 7.41 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.29 – 7.27 (m, 1H), 7.23 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.21 – 7.18 (m, 1H), 6.89 – 6.86 (m, 2H), 3.86 (s, 3H). LRMS (ESI) data calculated for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{13}\text{O}_3^-$ $[\text{M}-\text{H}]^-$: 277.08 ; found : 277.20

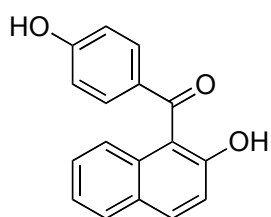


(2-Hydroxy-naphthalen-1-yl)-p-tolyl-methanone (3b): According to GPI: 2-naphthol(0.57 g, 4.00 mmol), 4-Methyl-benzoic acid (0.59 g, 4.40 mmol) in 4 mL $\text{BF}_3 \cdot \text{OEt}_2$ for 20 hrs and SiO_2 -column chromatography (EtOAc : Hexane, 1 : 30) gave **3b** as yellow crystal, (0.430 gm, 41%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ = 10.99 (s, 1H), 7.91 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.74 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.55 – 7.53



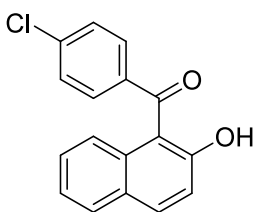
(m, 2H), 7.37 – 7.34 (m, 1H), 7.28 – 7.22 (m, 2H), 7.19 – 7.15 (m, 3H), 2.40 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 200.1, 160.9, 143.9, 137.7, 136.0, 132.6, 129.9, 129.4, 128.7, 128.6, 126.8, 126.5, 123.8, 119.3, 114.9, 21.9. LRMS (ESI) data calculated for C₁₈H₁₃O₂⁻ [M-H]⁻ : 261.09 ; found : 261.19

(2-hydroxynaphthalen-1-yl)(4-hydroxyphenyl)methanone (3c):¹ According to GPI: 2-



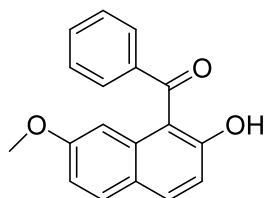
naphthol (0.58 g, 4.00 mmol), 4-hydroxy benzoic acid (0.61 g, 4.40 mmol) in 4 mL BF₃.OEt₂ for 16 h. and SiO₂ column chromatography (EtOAc : Hexane, 1 : 20) gave **3c** as whitish solid (0.42 g, 40%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 10.66 (s, 1H), 7.92 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.63 – 7.59 (m, 2H), 7.43 – 7.41(m, 1H), 7.29 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.25 – 7.23 (m, 1H), 7.21 – 7.19 (m, 1H), 6.84 – 6.80 (m, 2H). LRMS (ESI) data calculated for C₁₇H₁₁O₃⁻ [M-H]⁻ : 263.07 ; found : 263.17

(4-Chloro-phenyl)-(2-hydroxy-naphthalen-1-yl)-methanone (3d):³ According to GPI: 2-



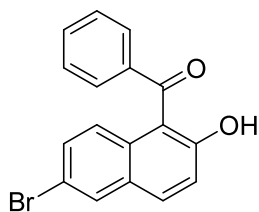
naphthol (0.28 g, 2.0 mmol), 4-Chloro-benzoic acid (0.34 g, 2.20 mmol) in 2 mL BF₃.OEt₂ for 52 h and SiO₂-column chromatography (EtOAc : Hexane 1 : 30) gave **3d** as brown solid (70 mg, 12%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz CDCl₃) δ = 11.09 (s, 1H), 7.94 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.77 – 7.75 (m, 1H), 7.59 – 7.57 (m, 2H), 7.39 – 7.37 (m, 2H), 7.31 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 7.26 – 7.18 (m, 2H). LRMS (ESI) data calculated for C₁₇H₁₀ClO₂⁻ [M-H]⁻ : 281.03 ; found : 281.14

(2-Hydroxy-7-methoxy-naphthalen-1-yl)-phenyl-methanone (3e): According to GPI: 7-



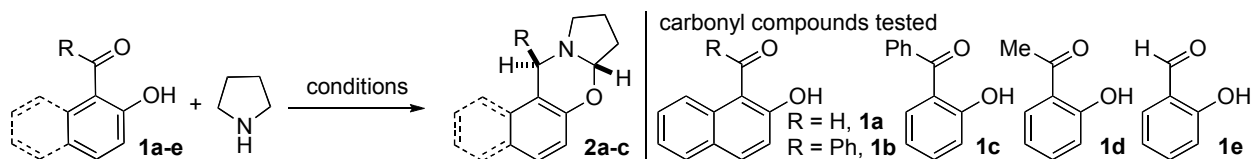
Methoxy-naphthalen-2-ol (0.52 g, 3.00 mmol), benzoic acid (0.40 g, 3.30 mmol) in 3 mL BF₃.OEt₂ for 16 hrs and SiO₂-column chromatography (EtOAc : Hexane, 1 : 20) gave **3e** as yellow solid (0.43 g, 51%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 11.66 (s, 1H), 7.86 – 7.84 (m, 1H), 7.63 – 7.61 (m, 3H), 7.57 – 7.53 (m, 1H), 7.45 – 7.42 (m, 2H), 7.08 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 6.89 – 6.88 (m, 1H), 6.59 (s, 1H), 3.27 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 200.9, 163.0, 158.3, 141.0, 136.7, 134.3, 132.39, 130.2, 129.3, 128.8, 123.9, 116.7, 116.1, 113.8, 106.7, 54.6. LRMS (ESI) data calculated for C₁₈H₁₃O₃⁻ [M-H]⁻ : 277.08 ; found : 277.19

(6-Bromo-2-hydroxy-naphthalen-1-yl)-phenyl-methanone (3f): According to GPI: 6-Bromo-naphthalen-2-ol (0.44 g, 2.00 mmol), benzoic acid (0.26 g, 2.20 mmol) in 2



mL $\text{BF}_3 \cdot \text{OEt}_2$ for 16 hrs and SiO_2 -column chromatography (EtOAc : Hexane, 1 : 15) gave **3f** as reddish brown, (0.15 g, 23%). $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ = 11.13 (s, 1H), 7.86 (s, 1H), 7.80 (d, J = 8 Hz, 1H), 7.60 – 7.54 (m, 3H), 7.41 – 7.38 (m, 2H), 7.25 – 7.18 (m, 2H), 7.14 – 7.12 (m, 1H). LRMS (ESI) data calculated for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{10}\text{BrO}_2^-$ $[\text{M}-\text{H}]^-$: 324.99 ; found : 325.10

Table s1. Screening of reaction condition and carbonyl compounds for direct C-H functionalization.^[a]



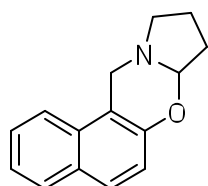
Entry	Carbonyl compound (eq.)	Solvent	Temperature	Reaction time	Additives	Isolated yield (%)
1	1a (0.5)	benzene	reflux	12 h	--	8
2	1a (0.5)	benzene	μw , 100 °C	10 min	--	38
3 ^[b]	1a (0.5)	benzene	μw , 100 °C	20 min	--	42
4	1a (0.5)	benzene	μw , 100 °C	20 min	DBU	25
5	1a (0.5)	benzene	μw , 100 °C	20 min	MgSO_4	15
6	1a (0.3)	ethanol	μw , 100 °C	20 min	--	15
7	1a (0.5)	xylene	μw , 170 °C	20 min	4Å MS	40
8	1a (2.5)	benzene	μw , 100 °C	20 min	--	65
9	1a (2.5)	toluene	μw , 130 °C	20 min	--	72
10	1a (2.5)	toluene	μw , 130 °C	40 min	--	72
11	1a (2.5)	toluene	μw , 130 °C	20 min	KOAc	39
12	1a (2.5)	toluene	μw , 130 °C	20 min	PTSA	15
13	1a (2.5)	toluene	μw , 130 °C	20 min	Et_3N	70
14	1b (1.2)	toluene	μw , 130 °C	20 min	--	86
15	1b (1.2)	toluene	μw , 145 °C	20 min	--	96
16	1b (1.2)	toluene	reflux	24 h	--	49
17	1c (1.2)	toluene	μw , 145 °C	20 min	--	43 ^[c]
18	1d (1.0)	toluene	μw , 145 °C	20 min	--	--
19	1e (1.0)	xylene	μw , 130 °C	20 min	--	--

[a] Reactions were carried out using 0.24 mmol of pyrrolidine in 1.5 mL of solvents. [b] 23% of reduced product was isolated along with oxazine. [c] diastereomeric ratio 3:1 was determined from $^1\text{H NMR}$ spectroscopy.

General procedure for the preparation of Oxazine : GP II

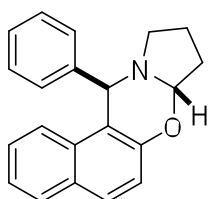
Aldehyde (2.5 eq) or ketone (0.29 mmol, 1.2 eq), toluene (1.5 mL) and amine (0.24 mmol, 1.0 eq) were added successively to an oven dried microwave reaction tube containing a stirring bar. Then the tube was sealed with cap and resulting solution was heated at 145 °C for 20 min under microwave irradiation (200 watt). Then the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature. After that the crude mixture was transferred to round bottom flask with DCM. Then the volatiles were removed under vacuum to give gummy liquid. The liquid was subjected to SiO₂-gel column chromatography to afford analytically pure oxazine.

8,9,10,12-tetrahydro-7aH-naphtho[1,2-e]pyrrolo[2,1-b][1,3]oxazine (**2a**):⁵



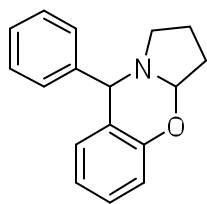
II: 2-Hydroxy naphthaldehyde (0.10 g, 0.60 mmol), pyrrolidine (20 μ L, 0.24 mmol) in 1 mL of toluene 130 °C under microwave irradiation for 20 min and SiO₂ column chromatography (EtOAc : Hexane, 1 : 30) gave **2a** brown solid (39 mg, 72%). ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.77 – 7.76 (m, 1H), 7.64 – 7.63 (m, 2H), 7.49 – 7.46 (m, 1H), 7.36 – 7.34 (m, 1H), 7.01 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 5.14 – 5.13 (m, 1H), 4.62 (d, J = 16.9 Hz, 1H), 4.28 (d, J = 17.0 Hz, 1H), 3.15 (td, J = 8.6, 3.1 Hz, 1H), 2.97 (q, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 2.24 – 2.14 (m, 2H), 2.09 – 1.96 (m, 2H). HRMS exact mass calculated for C₁₅H₁₆NO⁺ ([M+H]⁺) : 226.1226; Found : 226.1245.

rac-(7aS,12R)-12-phenyl-8,9,10,12-tetrahydro-7aH-naphtho[1,2-e]pyrrolo[2,1-



b][1,3]oxazine (**2b**): According to GP II: Pyrrolidine (20 μ L, 0.24 mmol), (2-hydroxynaphthalen-1-yl)(phenyl)methanone (72 mg, 0.29 mmol) in 1 mL of toluene 145 °C under microwave irradiation for 20 min and SiO₂ column chromatography (EtOAc : Hexane, 1 : 40) gave **2b**^{4,5} as white solid (69 mg, 96%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.70 – 7.67 (m, 1H), 7.65 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.33 – 7.29 (m, 1H), 7.21 – 7.13 (m, 7H), 7.00 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 5.38 (s, 1H), 5.02 – 4.99 (m, 1H), 3.29 – 3.22 (m, 1H), 2.84 (q, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 2.03 – 1.89 (m, 4H). HRMS exact mass calculated for C₂₁H₂₀NO⁺ ([M+H]⁺) : 302.1539; Found : 302.1533.

9-phenyl-2,3,3a,9-tetrahydro-1H-benzo[e]pyrrolo[2,1-b][1,3]oxazine (2c): According to GP

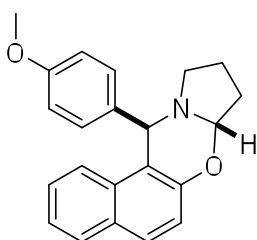


II: 2-Hydroxy benzophenone (48 μL , 0.29 mmol), pyrrolidine (20 μL , 0.24 mmol) in 1 mL of toluene 145 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ under microwave irradiation for 20 min and SiO_2 column chromatography (EtOAc : Hexane, 1 : 40) gave diastereomeric mixture (3:1) of **2c**⁴ as colorless oil (26 mg, 43%). ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ = 7.33 – 7.14 (m, 6H), 6.97 – 6.95 (m, 1H), 6.88 – 6.84 (m, 2H),

5.01 – 5.00 (m, 1H), 4.95 (s, 1H), 3.31 – 3.26 (m, 1H), 2.95 – 2.88 (m, 1H), 2.10 – 1.90 (m, 4H).

HRMS exact mass calculated for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{18}\text{NO}^+$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$) : 252.1383; Found : 252.1385

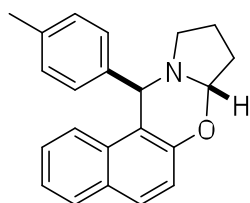
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b][1,3]oxazine (4a): According to GP II: Pyrrolidine (40 μL , 0.49 mmol), (2-hydroxynaphthalen-1-yl)(4-methoxyphenyl)methanone (0.16 g, 0.58 mmol) in 1.5 mL of toluene 145 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ under microwave irradiation for 20 min, SiO_2 column chromatography (EtOAc : Hexane 1 : 40) gave **4a**^{4, 5} as whitish solid (0.12 g, 74%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ =

7.75 – 7.73 (m, 1H), 7.70 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.41 – 7.37 (m, 1H), 7.31 – 7.23 (m, 2H), 7.17 – 7.15 (m, 2H), 7.06 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 6.81 – 6.77 (m, 2H), 5.40 (s, 1H), 5.09 – 5.08 (m, 1H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 3.34 – 3.27 (m, 1H), 2.91 – 2.85 (m, 1H), 2.14 – 1.93 (m, 4H). HRMS exact mass calculated for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{22}\text{NO}_2^+$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$) : 332.1645; Found : 332.1660.

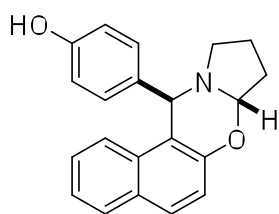
rac-(7aS,12R)-12-p-tolyl-8,9,10,12-tetrahydro-7aH-naphtho[1,2-e]pyrrolo[2,1-



b][1,3]oxazine (4b): According to GP II: Pyrrolidine (40 μL , 0.49 mmol), 2-hydroxynaphthalen-1-yl)(p-tolyl)methanone (0.15 g, 0.58 mmol) in 1.5 mL of toluene 145 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ under microwave irradiation for 20 min, SiO_2 column chromatography (EtOAc : Hexane, 1 : 40) gave **4b**^{4,5} as white solid

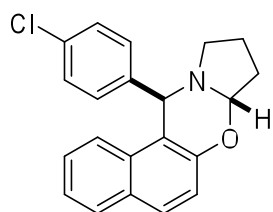
(92 mg, 61%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ = 7.62 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.58 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.30 – 7.27 (m, 1H), 7.17 – 7.11 (m, 2H), 7.04 – 7.02 (m, 2H), 6.98 – 6.94 (m, 3H), 5.30 (s, 1H), 5.00 – 4.98 (m, 1H), 3.19 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 2.78 (q, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 2.17 (s, 3H), 2.01 – 1.82 (m, 4H). HRMS exact mass calculated for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{22}\text{NO}^+$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$) : 316.1696; Found : 316.1773.

***rac*-4-((7a*S*,12*R*)-8,9,10,12-tetrahydro-7a*H*-naphtho[1,2-*e*]pyrrolo[2,1-*b*][1,3]oxazin-12-**



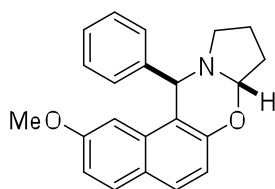
yl)phenol (4c): According to GP II: Pyrrolidine (30 μ L, 0.36 mmol), 2-hydroxynaphthalen-1-yl)(4-hydroxyphenyl)methanone (0.12 g, 0.44 mmol) in 1.5 mL of toluene and 1 mL xylene 145 $^{\circ}$ C under microwave irradiation for 40 min, SiO₂ column chromatography (EtOAc : Hexane, 1 : 10) gave **4c** as white solid (55 mg, 52%). FTIR (KBr): $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3441, 2917, 2850, 1625, 1568, 1432, 1421, 1229, 991, 899, 816, 668 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃ with added Methanol-*d*₄) δ = 7.64 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.60 (d, *J* = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 7.30 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.19 – 7.13 (m, 2H), 6.99 – 6.94 (m, 3H), 6.63 – 6.61 (m, 2H), 5.29 (s, 1H), 5.02 – 5.01 (m, 1H), 3.24 – 3.17 (m, 1H), 2.81 – 2.75 (m, 1H), 2.01 – 1.90 (m, 4H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃ with added Methanol-*d*₄) δ = 155.7, 150.9, 134.0, 132.0, 129.5, 128.7, 128.4, 128.0, 125.9, 122.6, 122.3, 118.1, 114.7, 110.3, 85.5, 55.6, 49.6, 31.4, 20.3. HRMS exact mass calculated for C₂₁H₂₀NO₂⁺ ([M+H]⁺): 318.1489; Found : 318.1488

***rac*-(7a*S*,12*R*)-12-(4-chlorophenyl)-8,9,10,12-tetrahydro-7a*H*-naphtho[1,2-*e*]pyrrolo[2,1-**



b][1,3]oxazine (4d): According to GP II: Pyrrolidine (16 μ L, 0.19 mmol), (4-chlorophenyl)(2-hydroxynaphthalen-1-yl)methanone (66 mg, 0.24 mmol) in 1 mL of toluene 145 $^{\circ}$ C under microwave irradiation for 40 min, SiO₂ column chromatography (EtOAc : Hexane, 1 : 40) gave **4d**^{4,5} as light yellow solid (44 mg, 67%). ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.77 – 7.73 (m, 1H), 7.71 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.32 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.31 – 7.26 (m, 2H), 7.23 – 7.20 (m, 2H), 7.18 – 7.16 (m, 2H), 7.06 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 5.40 (s, 1H), 5.01 – 4.99 (m, 1H), 3.31 (td, *J* = 8.3, 3.1 Hz, 1H), 2.90 (q, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 2.13 – 2.06 (m, 1H), 2.06 – 1.95 (m, 3H). HRMS exact mass calculated for C₂₁H₁₉ClNO⁺ ([M+H]⁺): 336.1150; Found : 336.1156

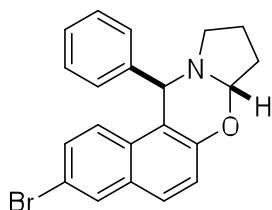
***rac*-(7a*S*,12*R*)-2-methoxy-12-phenyl-8,9,10,12-tetrahydro-7a*H*-naphtho[1,2-*e*]pyrrolo[2,1-**



b][1,3]oxazine (4e): According to GP II: Pyrrolidine (30 μ L, 0.36 mmol), (2-hydroxy-7-methoxynaphthalen-1-yl)(phenyl)methanone (0.12 g, 0.44 mmol) in 1.5 mL of toluene 145 $^{\circ}$ C under microwave irradiation for 40 min, crystallization and after washing (10 X 1 mL of cold EtOAc : Hexane, 1 : 30) gave **4e**⁴ as white solid (94 mg, 78%). ¹H

NMR (400 MHz CDCl₃) δ = 7.65 – 7.60 (m, 2H), 7.27 – 7.21 (m, 5H), 6.94 – 6.90 (m, 2H), 6.63 (s, 1H), 5.33 (s, 1H), 5.13 – 5.09 (m, 1H), 3.61 (s, 3H), 3.38 – 3.29 (m, 1H), 2.97 – 2.91 (m, 1H), 2.16 – 1.92 (m, 4H). HRMS exact mass calculated for C₂₂H₂₂NO₂⁺ ([M+H]⁺) : 332.1645; Found: 332.1654

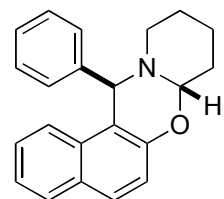
***rac*-(7aS,12R)-3-bromo-12-phenyl-8,9,10,12-tetrahydro-7aH-naphtho[1,2-e]pyrrolo[2,1-**



b][1,3]oxazine (4f): According to GP II: Pyrrolidine (20 μ L, 0.24 mmol), (6-bromo-2-hydroxynaphthalen-1-yl)(phenyl)methanone (95 mg, 0.29 mmol) in 1 mL of toluene 145 °C under microwave irradiation for 20 min and SiO₂ column chromatography (EtOAc : Hexane, 1 : 40) gave **4f**⁴ as brown solid (70 mg, 75%). ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ =

7.89 – 7.87 (m, 1H), 7.61 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (dd, J = 9.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.28 – 7.20 (m, 6H), 7.08 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 5.40 (s, 1H), 5.07 – 5.06 (m, 1H), 3.35 – 3.32 (m, 1H), 2.91 – 2.87 (m, 1H), 2.11 – 1.98 (m, 4H). HRMS exact mass calculated for C₂₁H₁₉BrNO₂⁺ ([M+H]⁺) : 380.0645; Found : 380.0639

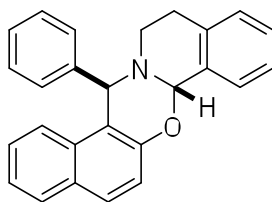
***rac*-(7aS,13R)-13-phenyl-7a,8,9,10,11,13-hexahydronaphtho[1,2-e]pyrido[2,1-b][1,3]oxazine**



(4g): According to GP II: Piperidine (30 μ L, 0.30 mmol), (2-hydroxynaphthalen-1-yl)(phenyl)methanone (90 mg, 0.36 mmol) in 1 mL of toluene 145 °C under microwave irradiation for 40 min and SiO₂ column chromatography (EtOAc : Hexane, 1 : 40) gave **4g**^{4,5} as white solid (43 mg, 45%). ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.77 – 7.76 (m, 1H), 7.73 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.37 – 7.34 (m, 1H), 7.28 – 7.23 (m, 7H), 7.14 – 7.12 (m, 1H), 5.17 (s, 1H), 4.90 – 4.88 (m, 1H), 2.87 – 2.83 (m, 2H), 1.98 – 1.95 (m, 1H), 1.81 – 1.72 (m, 3H), 1.60 – 1.97 (m, 2H). HRMS exact mass

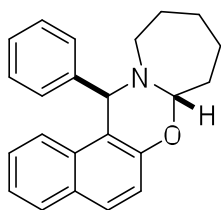
calculated for C₂₂H₂₂NO⁺ ([M+H]⁺) : 316.1696; Found : 316.1696

Oxazine (4h): According to GP II: 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline (42 μ L, 0.33 mmol), (2-hydroxynaphthalen-1-yl)(phenyl)methanone (0.10 g, 0.40 mmol) in 1.5 mL of toluene 20 min 145 °C under microwave irradiation and SiO₂ column chromatography (EtOAc : Hexane, 1 : 40) gave **4h** as white solid (81 mg, 66%). FTIR (KBr): $\tilde{\nu}$ = 2921, 2855, 1621, 1597, 1463, 1402, 1257, 1235, 1137, 1091, 1067, 985, 878, 857, 748, 725, 698 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.78 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.43 – 7.41 (m,



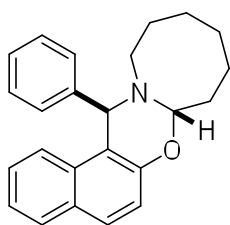
1H), 7.31 – 7.30 (m, 7H), 7.24 – 7.18 (m, 4H), 7.11 (d, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 1H), 5.65 (s, 1H), 5.43 (s, 1H), 3.40 – 3.24 (m, 2H), 3.11 – 3.08 (m, 1H), 2.89 – 2.85 (m, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) $\delta = 152.2, 142.6, 135.2, 133.3, 132.6, 129.5, 129.3, 129.1, 129.0, 128.98, 128.96, 128.8, 128.5, 127.6, 126.8, 126.4, 123.3, 122.9, 119.1, 111.1, 82.4, 62.9, 45.6, 29.6$. HRMS (ESI) exact mass calculated for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{22}\text{NO}^+$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$): 364.1696. Found: 364.1684.

***rac*-(7a*S*,13*R*)-13-Phenyl-7a,8,9,10,11,12-hexahydro-13H-7-oxa-12a-aza-cyclohepta**

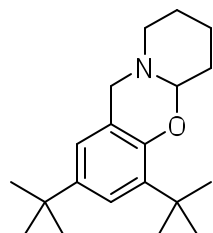


[b]phenanthrene (4i): According to GP II: Hexamethyleneimine (30 μL , 0.26 mmol), (2-hydroxynaphthalen-1-yl)(phenyl)methanone (79 mg, 0.32 mmol) in 1 mL of toluene 145°C under microwave irradiation for 40 min SiO_2 and column chromatography (EtOAc : Hexane, 1 : 40) gave **4i**^{4,5} as white solid (57 mg, 66%). ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) $\delta = 7.75 - 7.74$ (m, 1H), 7.71 (d, $J = 8.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.34 – 7.33 (m, 1H), 7.28 – 7.24 (m, 6H), 7.22 – 7.19 (m, 1H), 7.10 (dd, $J = 8.9, 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 5.29 (s, 1H), 4.87 – 4.85 (m, 1H), 3.26 – 3.22 (m, 1H), 2.69 – 2.67 (m, 1H), 2.22 – 2.17 (m, 1H), 1.89 – 1.82 (m, 2H), 1.78 – 1.71 (m, 2H), 1.67 – 1.64 (m, 1H), 1.50 – 1.44 (m, 1H), 1.43 – 1.35 (m, 1H). HRMS exact mass calculated for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{24}\text{NO}^+$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$) : 330.1852; Found : 330.1822

Oxazine (4j): According to GP II: Heptamethyleneimine (40 μL , 0.31 mmol), (2-hydroxynaphthalen-1-yl)(phenyl)methanone (94 mg, 0.37 mmol) in 1 mL of toluene first 40 min 100°C then another 10 min for 145°C under microwave irradiation and SiO_2 column chromatography (EtOAc : Hexane, 1 : 60) gave **4j**⁵ as light yellow solid (41 mg, 38%). ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) $\delta = 7.76 - 7.75$ (m, 1H), 7.71 (d, $J = 8.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.34 – 7.33 (m, 1H), 7.29 – 7.21 (m, 7H), 7.09 (d, $J = 8.9$ Hz, 1H), 5.28 (s, 1H), 4.70 – 4.67 (m, 1H), 3.28 – 3.23 (m, 1H), 2.59 – 2.55 (m, 1H), 1.98 – 1.87 (m, 5H), 1.55 – 1.51 (m, 2H), 1.48 – 1.43 (m, 3H). HRMS (ESI) exact mass calculated for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{26}\text{NO}^+$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$) : 344.2009; Found : 344.2098

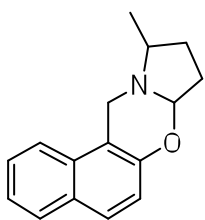


2,4-di-tert-butyl-5a,6,7,8,9,11-hexahydrobenzo[e]pyrido[2,1-b][1,3]oxazine (4k): According



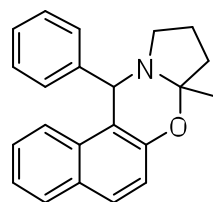
to GP II: Piperidine (35 μ L, 0.36 mmol), 3,5 di tert-butyl salicylaldehyde (0.10 g, 0.43 mmol) in 1.5 mL of toluene 30 min 145 $^{\circ}$ C under microwave irradiation and SiO₂ column chromatography (EtOAc : Hexane, 1:25) gave **4k** as yellowish oil (51 mg, 47%). FTIR (KBr): $\tilde{\nu}$ = 2949, 2865, 1652, 1641, 1479, 1449, 1360, 1226, 1128, 1103, 1069, 879, 870, 758 cm^{-1} . ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.15 (s, 1H), 6.81 (s, 1H), 4.85 – 4.83 (m, 1H), 4.30 (d, J = 16.1 Hz, 1H), 3.61 (d, J = 16.1 Hz, 1H), 2.94 – 2.90 (m, 1H), 2.54 – 2.51 (m, 1H), 2.01 – 1.98 (m, 1H), 1.87 – 1.83 (m, 1H), 1.78 – 1.70 (m, 3H), 1.61 – 1.57 (m, 1H), 1.40 (s, 9H), 1.29 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 150.3, 142.0, 136.4, 121.9, 121.7, 118.3, 86.3, 54.7, 48.2, 35.1, 34.4, 31.8, 30.7, 29.9, 25.5, 19.4. HRMS (ESI) exact mass calculated for C₂₀H₃₂NO⁺ ([M+H]⁺): 302.2478; Found : 302.2478.

10-methyl-8,9,10,12-tetrahydro-7aH-naphtho[1,2-e]pyrrolo[2,1-b][1,3]oxazine (4l):



According to GP II: 2-Hydroxy naphthaldehyde (86 mg, 0.50 mmol), 1-methyl pyrrolidine (20 μ L, 0.19 mmol) in 1 mL of toluene 130 $^{\circ}$ C under microwave irradiation for 20 min and SiO₂ column chromatography (EtOAc : Hexane, 1 : 20) gave inseparable regioisomeric mixture (~5:1) of **4l** as brown solid (22 mg, 46%). FTIR (KBr): $\tilde{\nu}$ = 2960, 2920, 2853, 1635, 1516, 1467, 1434, 1396, 1261, 1228, 1095, 1074, 1016, 860, 811, 746 cm^{-1} . ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.76 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.67 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.50 – 7.47 (m, 1H), 7.36 – 7.32 (m, 1H), 6.99 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 5.26 – 5.25 (m, 1H), 4.58 (d, J = 17.4 Hz, 1H), 4.27 (d, J = 17.5 Hz, 1H), 3.15 – 3.10 (m, 1H), 2.29 – 2.03 (m, 4H), 1.23 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 3H). HRMS (ESI) exact mass calculated for C₁₆H₁₈NO⁺ ([M+H]⁺): 240.1383; Found: 240.1381

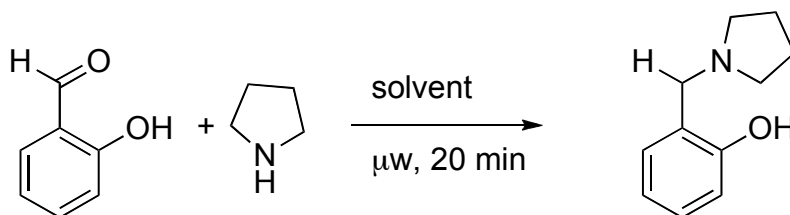
7a-methyl-12-phenyl-8,9,10,12-tetrahydro-7aH-naphtho[1,2-e]pyrrolo[2,1-b][1,3]oxazine (4m):



According to GP II: 2-methyl pyrrolidine (34 μ L, 0.33 mmol), (2-hydroxynaphthalen-1-yl)(phenyl)methanone (0.10 g, 0.40 mmol) in 1.5 mL of toluene 20 min 145 $^{\circ}$ C under microwave irradiation and SiO₂ column chromatography (EtOAc : Hexane, 1 : 30) gave inseparable regioisomeric mixture (~4:1) of **4m** as yellowish oil (85 mg, 82%). FTIR (KBr): $\tilde{\nu}$ = 2935, 2850, 1623, 1599, 1514, 1462, 1380, 1241, 1109, 1065, 972, 811, 746, 702, 623 cm^{-1} . ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃)

$\delta = 7.80 - 7.78$ (m, 1H), 7.75 (d, $J = 8.9$ Hz, 1H), $7.31 - 7.19$ (m, 8H), 7.09 (d, $J = 8.9$ Hz, 1H), 5.50 (s, 1H), $3.52 - 3.47$ (m, 1H), 2.99 (q, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 1H), $2.28 - 2.22$ (m, 1H), $2.10 - 2.07$ (m, 1H), $1.96 - 1.87$ (m, 2H), 1.04 (s, 3H). HRMS (ESI) exact mass calculated for $C_{22}H_{22}NO^+$ ($[M+H]^+$): 316.1696. Found: 316.1685

Table S2: Optimization of formal reductive amination

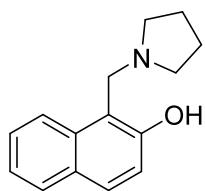


entry	pyrrolidine	solvent	temperature	Yield (%)
1	1.0 eq	Ethylene glycol	150 °C	36
2	1.0 eq	DMF	150 °C	41
3	2.0 eq	DMF	150 °C	67
4	2.0 eq	Ethylene glycol	150 °C	63
5	1.0 eq	no solvent	150 °C	30
6	2.0 eq	no solvent	150 °C	50
7	2.2 eq	m-xylene	170 °C	91

General procedure for formal reductive amination: GP III

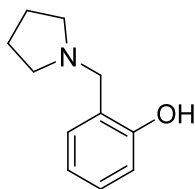
Aldehyde or ketone (0.82 mmol, 1.0 eq.), m-xylene (1.5 mL) and amine (1.8 mmol, 2.2 eq.) were added successively to an oven dried microwave reaction tube containing a stirring bar. Then the tube was sealed with cap and resulting solution was heated at 170 °C for 20 min under microwave irradiation (200 watt). Then the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature. Reaction mixture was quenched with aqueous 1N NH_4Cl solution (15 mL) extracted with (3×20 mL) EtOAc. Then combined organic layers were washed with brine (30 mL) dried (Na_2SO_4), concentrated in vacua. The crude product was purified by SiO_2 -gel column chromatography.

1-((pyrrolidin-1-yl)methyl)naphthalen-2-ol (5a): According to GP III: Pyrrolidine (0.12 mL, 1.45 mmol), 2-hydroxy-naphthaldehyde (0.10 g, 0.58 mmol) in 1.5 mL m-xylene, 170 °C under microwave irradiation for 20 min and SiO_2 -column chromatography (EtOAc/Hexane, 1:2) gave **5a**⁴ light brown liquid (97 mg, 74 %). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) $\delta = 10.65$ (s, 1H), $7.72 - 7.66$ (m, 2H), 7.60



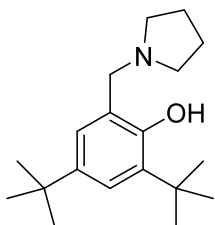
(d, $J = 8$ Hz, 1H), 7.37 – 7.34 (m, 1H), 7.22 – 7.19 (m, 1H), 7.09 – 7.07 (m, 1H), 4.14 (s, 2H), 2.58 (br. s, 4H), 1.74 (br. s, 4H). HRMS (ESI) exact mass calculated for $C_{15}H_{18}NO^+$ ($[M+H]^+$) : 228.1383; Found : 228.1378

2-Pyrrolidin-1-ylmethyl-phenol (5b): According to GP III: Pyrrolidine (0.15 mL, 1.8 mmol), salicylaldehyde (86 μ L, 0.82 mmol) in 1.5 mL *m*-xylene, 170 °C under microwave irradiation for 20 min and SiO_2 - column chromatography



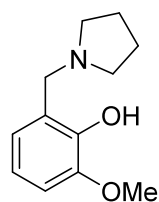
(EtOAc/Hexane, 1:7) gave **5b**⁵ as a light brown liquid (0.13 g, 91 %). ¹H NMR (600 MHz, $CDCl_3$) $\delta = 7.159$ (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.96 (d, $J = 7.20$ Hz, 1H), 6.81 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.75 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.81 (s, 2H), 2.62 (s, 4H), 1.84 (s, 4H). HRMS (ESI) exact mass calculated for $C_{11}H_{16}NO^+$ ($[M+H]^+$) : 178.1226; Found : 178.1232

2,4-Di-tert-butyl-6-pyrrolidin-1-ylmethyl-phenol (5c): According to GP III: Pyrrolidine (78 μ L, 0.95 mmol), 3,5-ditertiary butyl salicylaldehyde (0.10 g, 0.43 mmol) in 1.5 mL *m*-xylene, 170 °C under microwave irradiation for 20 min and SiO_2 -column chromatography (EtOAc/Hexane, 1:30) gave **5c**⁶ yellow solid product



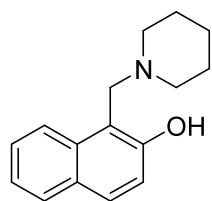
(92 mg, 74 %). ¹H NMR (600 MHz, $CDCl_3$) $\delta = 7.21$ (d, $J = 2.4$ Hz, 1H), 6.84 (d, $J = 2.4$ Hz, 1H), 3.80 (s, 2H), 2.63 (s, 4H), 1.85 – 1.84 (m, 4H), 1.43 (s, 9H), 1.29 (s, 9H). HRMS (ESI) exact mass calculated for $C_{19}H_{32}NO^+$ ($[M+H]^+$) : 290.2478; Found : 290.2486

2-[(Ethyl-methyl-amino)-methyl]-6-methoxy-phenol (5d): According to GP III: Pyrrolidine (0.12 mL, 1.45 mmol), *ortho*-vanillin (0.10 g, 0.66 mmol) in 1.5 mL *m*-xylene, 170 °C under microwave irradiation for 20 min and SiO_2 -column chromatography



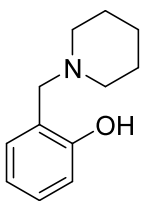
(EtOAc/Hexane, 1:1) gave **5d** yellow liquid product (83 mg, 61 %). FTIR (KBr): $\tilde{\nu} = 3451, 2933, 2833, 1639, 1478, 1414, 1240, 1075, 733, 709$ cm^{-1} . ¹H NMR (600 MHz, $CDCl_3$) $\delta = 6.80$ (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.71 (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.60 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 3.84 (s, 2H), 2.64 (br. s, 4H), 1.84-1.83 (m, 4H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$), $\delta = 148.07, 147.59, 122.78, 120.24, 118.60, 111.03, 58.63, 56.08, 53.63, 23.83$. HRMS (ESI) exact mass calculated for $C_{12}H_{18}NO_2^+$ ($[M+H]^+$): 208.1332, found: 208.1332.

1-Piperidin-1-ylmethyl-naphthalen-2-ol (5e): According to GP III: Piperidine (0.13 mL, 1.28



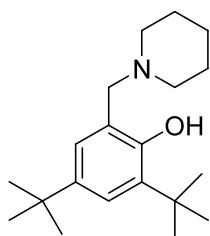
mmol), 2-hydroxy-naphthaldehyde (0.10 g, 0.58 mmol) in 1.5 mL *m*-xylene, 170 °C under microwave irradiation for 20 min and SiO₂-column chromatography (EtOAc/Hexane, 1:5) gave **5e**⁷ light brown liquid product (83 mg, 60 %). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.79 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.43-7.39 (m, 1H), 7.28-7.24 (m, 1H), 7.07 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 4.10 (s, 2H), 3.45-1.51 (m, 10H). HRMS (ESI) exact mass calculated for C₁₆H₂₀NO⁺ ([M+H]⁺): 242.1539; Found: 242.1544

2-Piperidin-1-ylmethyl-phenol (5f): According to GP III: Piperidine (0.18 mL, 1.82 mmol),



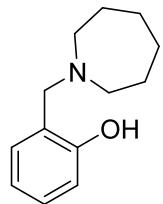
salicylaldehyde (87 μL, 0.82 mmol) in 1.5 mL *m*-xylene, 170 °C under microwave irradiation for 20 min and SiO₂-column chromatography (EtOAc/Hexane, 1:15) gave **5f**⁸ light brown liquid product (0.13 g, 80 %). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.17 – 7.13 (m, 1H), 6.96 – 6.94 (m, 1H), 6.81 (dd, *J*₁ = 8.4 Hz, *J*₂ = 0.8 Hz, 1H), 6.77 (td, *J*₁ = 7.2 Hz, *J*₂ = 0.8 Hz, 1H), 3.66 (s, 2H), 2.70-2.20 (m, 3H), 1.65-1.61 (m, 5H), 1.48-1.41 (m, 2H). HRMS (ESI) exact mass calculated for C₁₂H₁₈NO⁺ ([M+H]⁺): 192.1383; Found: 192.1397

2,4-Di-tert-butyl-6-piperidin-1-ylmethyl-phenol (5g): According to GP III: Piperidine (93



μL, 0.95 mmol), 3,5-ditertiary butyl salicylaldehyde (0.10 g, 0.43 mmol) in 1.5 mL *m*-xylene, 170 °C under microwave irradiation for 20 min and SiO₂-column chromatography (EtOAc/Hexane, 1:30) gave **5g**⁹ yellow solid product (89 mg, 67 %). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.20 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.81 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 3.63 (s, 2H), 2.98-1.43 (m, 10H), 1.42 (s, 9H), 1.27 (s, 9H). HRMS (ESI) exact mass calculated for C₂₀H₃₄NO⁺ ([M+H]⁺): 304.2635; Found: 304.2690

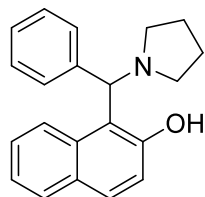
2-Azepan-1-ylmethyl-phenol (5h): According to GP III: Hexamethyleneimine (0.20 mL, 1.8



mmol), salicylaldehyde (86 μL, 0.82 mmol) in 1.5 mL *m*-xylene, 170 °C under microwave irradiation for 20 min and SiO₂-column chromatography (EtOAc/Hexane, 1:20) gave **5h** light brown liquid product (0.12 g, 72 %). FTIR (KBr): $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3472, 2926, 2848, 1635, 1479, 1258, 1145, 1045, 1033, 753 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.17-7.14 (m, 1H), 6.94 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.81 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.77-6.74 (m, 1H), 3.78 (s, 2H), 2.70 (s, 4H), 1.69 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 4H), 1.64-1.63 (m, 4H).

^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3), $\delta = 158.6, 128.8, 128.5, 122.4, 118.97, 116.2, 62.2, 55.4, 27.8, 26.8$. HRMS (ESI) exact mass calculated for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{20}\text{NO}^+$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$): 206.1539, found: 206.1538.

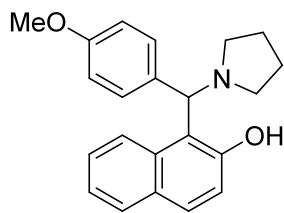
1-(Phenyl-pyrrolidin-1-yl-methyl)-naphthalen-2-ol (5i): According to GP III: Pyrrolidine (72



μL , 0.88 mmol), (2-Hydroxynaphthalen-1-yl)-phenyl-methanone (0.10 g, 0.40 mmol) in 1.5 mL *m*-xylene, 170 °C under microwave irradiation for 20 min and SiO_2 -column chromatography (EtOAc/Hexane 1:20) gave **5i**⁵ colourless solid product (75 mg, 62 %). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) $\delta = 7.87$ (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.69 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.65 (d, $J = 9.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.61 – 7.59 (m, 2H),

7.38-7.34 (m, 1H), 7.27-7.14 (m, 5H), 5.12 (s, 1H), 3.25-2.04 (m, 4H), 1.85 (s, 4H). HRMS (ESI) exact mass calculated for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{22}\text{NO}^+$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$) : 304.1696; Found : 304.1696

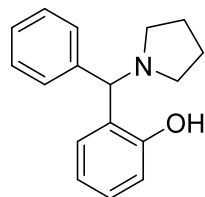
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Pyrrolidine (64 μL , 0.79 mmol), (2-Hydroxy-naphthalen-1-yl)-(4-methoxy-phenyl)-methanone (0.10 g, 0.36 mmol) in 1.5 mL *m*-xylene, 170 °C under microwave irradiation for 20 min and SiO_2 -column chromatography (EtOAc/Hexane, 1:7) gave **5j**⁵ light brown liquid (73 mg, 61 %). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) $\delta = 7.84$ (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H),

7.70-7.64 (m, 2H), 7.51- 7.49 (m, 2H), 7.38-7.34 (m, 1H), 7.24-7.13 (m, 2H), 6.78 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 5.08 (s, 1H), 3.71 (s, 3H), 3.25-2.04 (m, 4H), 1.84 (br. s, 4H). HRMS (ESI) exact mass calculated for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{24}\text{NO}_2^+$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$) : 334.1802; Found : 334.1808

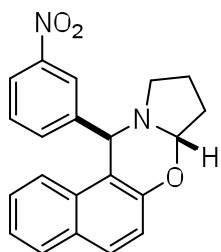
2-(2-Methylene-1-pyrrolidin-1-yl-pent-3-enyl)-phenol (5k): According to GPIII: Pyrrolidine



(92 μL , 1.12 mmol), 2- HydroxyBenzophenone (0.10 g, 0.51 mmol) in 1.5 mL *m*-xylene, 170 °C under microwave irradiation for 20 min and SiO_2 -column chromatography (EtOAc/Hexane, 1:30) gave **5k**¹⁰ light brown liquid (0.10 g, 80 %). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) $\delta = 7.47 - 7.45$ (m, 2H), 7.29 - 7.27 (m,

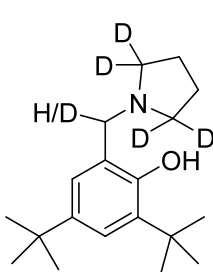
2H), 7.23-7.20 (m, 1H), 7.11-7.07 (m, 1H), 6.95 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.84 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.70 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 4.37 (s, 1H), 2.63-2.49 (m, 4H), 1.87 – 1.83 (m, 4H). HRMS (ESI) exact mass calculated for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{20}\text{NO}^+$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$) : 254.1539; Found : 254.1540

rac-(7aS,12R)-12-(3-nitrophenyl)-8,9,10,12-tetrahydro-7aH-naphtho[1,2-e]pyrrolo[2,1-



b][1,3]oxazine (15): According to GPII: 1-((3-nitrophenyl)(pyrrolidin-1-yl)methyl)naphthalen-2-ol (0.21 g, 0.60 mmol) (2-hydroxynaphthalen-1-yl)(phenyl)methanone (75 mg, 0.30 mmol) in 2 mL toluene 145 °C under microwave irradiation for 20 min and SiO₂ column chromatography (EtOAc : Hexane, 1 : 40) gave **2b** (19 mg, 21%) Compound **15**⁵ was obtained after preparative TLC. (10 mg, 9 %). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 8.25 (s, 1H), 8.10 – 8.08 (m, 1H), 7.80 – 7.75 (m, 2H), 7.46 – 7.37 (m, 2H), 7.30 – 7.28 (m, 3H), 7.12 – 7.06 (m, 1H), 5.51 (s, 1H), 4.96 – 4.94 (m, 1H), 3.40 – 3.36 (m 1H), 2.96 – 2.92 (m, 1H), 2.15 – 2.03 (m, 4H). HRMS (ESI) exact mass calculated for C₂₁H₁₉N₂O₃⁺ ([M+H]⁺) : 347.1390; Found : 347.1395

2-[(2,2,5,5-²H₄)pyrrolidin-1-ylmethyl]phenol (18) and 2-[(2,2,5,5-²H₄)pyrrolidin-1-

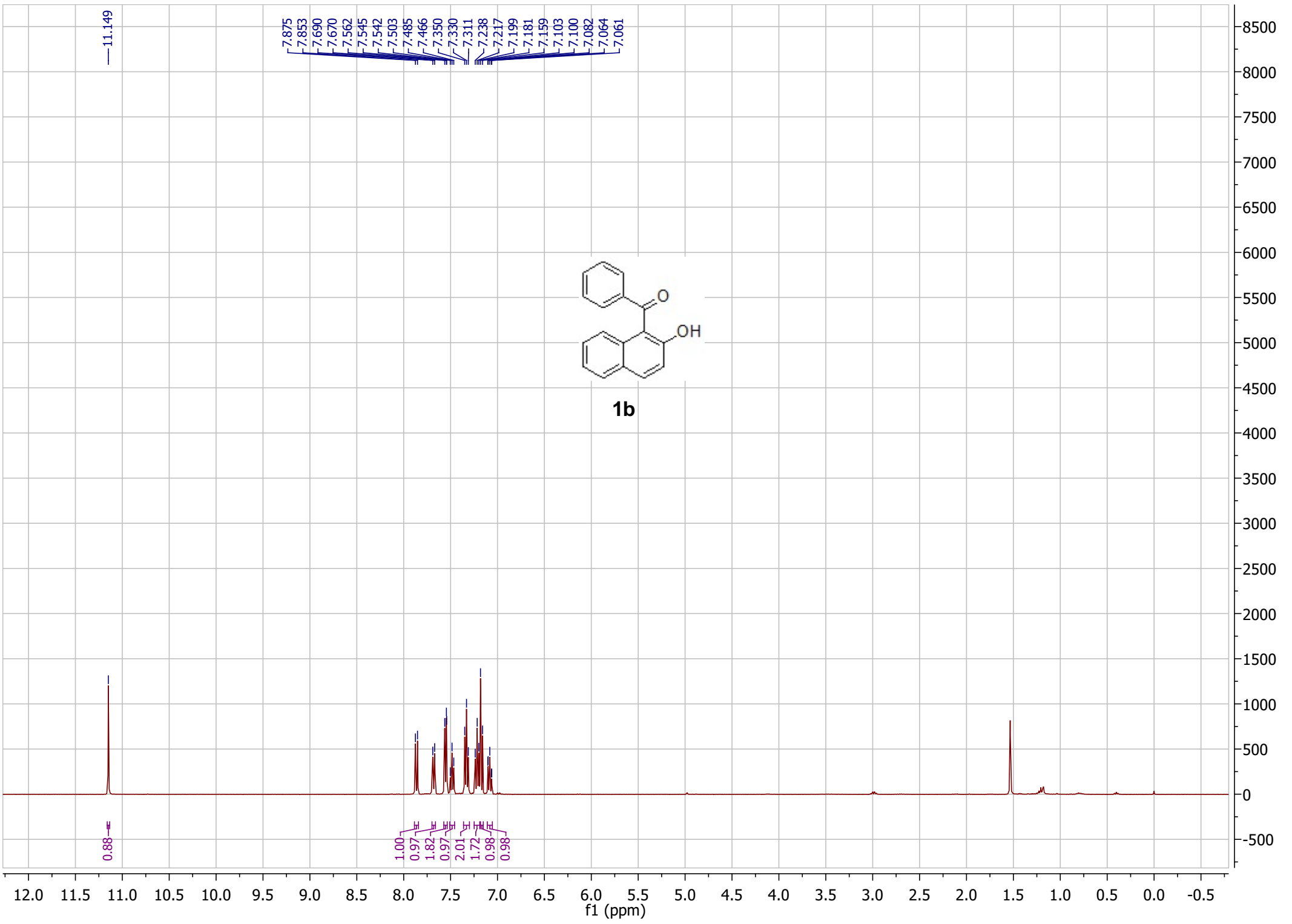


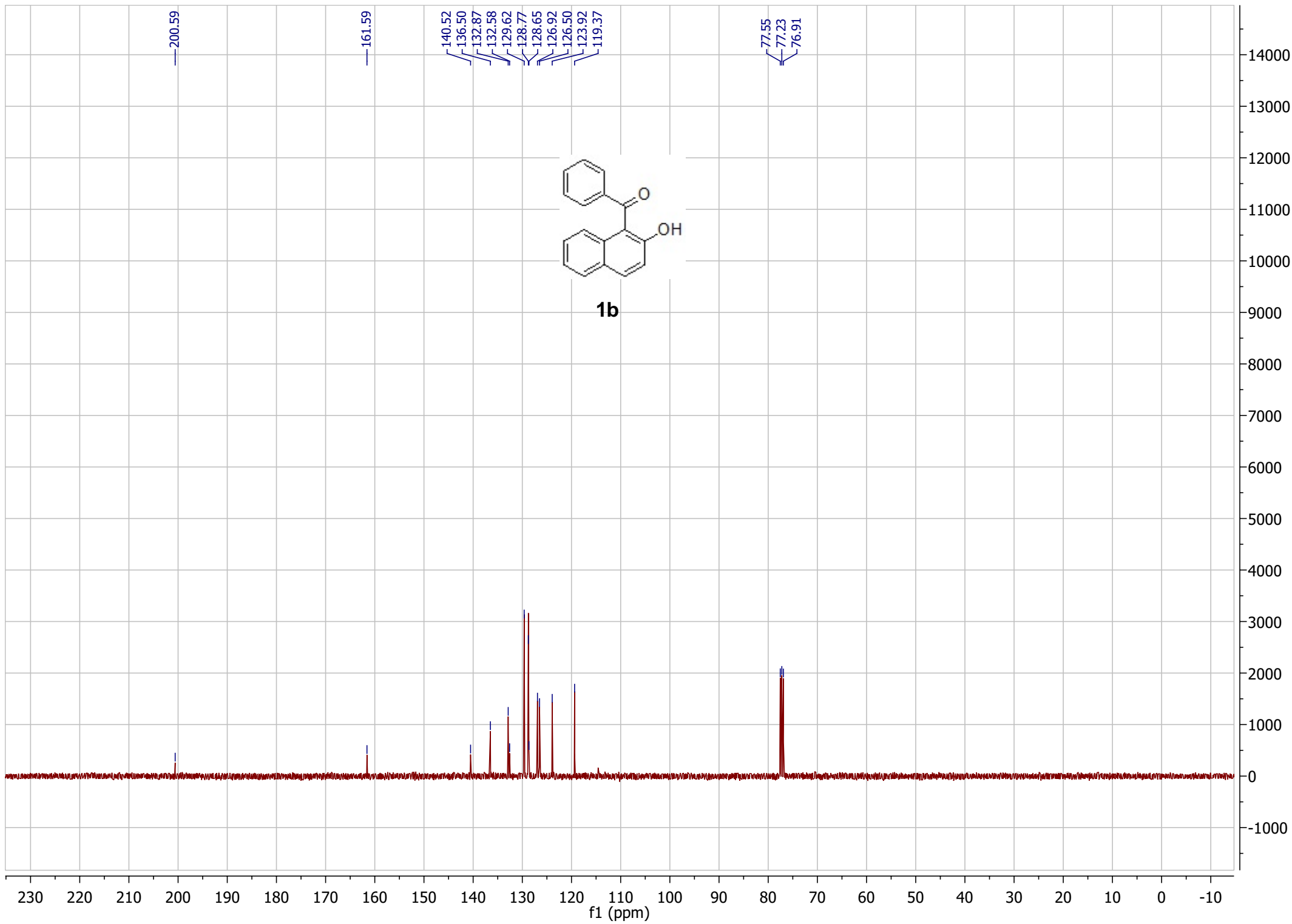
yl(²H₁)methyl]phenol (19): According to GP III: Deuterated Pyrrolidine (0.02 mL, 0.22 mmol), 3,5 ditertiary butyl salicylaldehyde (23 mg, 0.10 mmol) in 0.34 mL m-xylene 170 °C under microwave irradiation for 20 min and SiO₂-column chromatography (EtOAc/Hexane 1:50 to 1:30) gave inseparable 1:1 mixture of **18** & **19** as yellowish solid (15 mg, 50 %). FTIR (KBr): $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3450, 2955, 2924, 2862, 2204, 2078, 1639, 1567, 1558, 1479, 1433, 1360, 1248, 1235, 1203, 1123, 1002, 878, 819, 792, 647, 647, 524 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.2 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.82 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 3.79 (s, 1H), 3.76 (s, 0.5 H), 1.82 (s, 4H), 1.42 (s, 9H), 1.28 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃), δ = 154.72, 140.36, 135.48, 122.87, 122.81, 122.02, 59.84, 35.06, 34.35, 31.94, 29.84, 23.76. HRMS (ESI) exact mass calculated for (**18**) C₁₉H₂₈D₄NO ([M+H]⁺): 294.2729; found: 294.2733. HRMS (ESI) exact mass calculated for (**19**) C₁₉H₂₇D₅NO ([M+H]⁺): 295.2792; found: 295.2796.

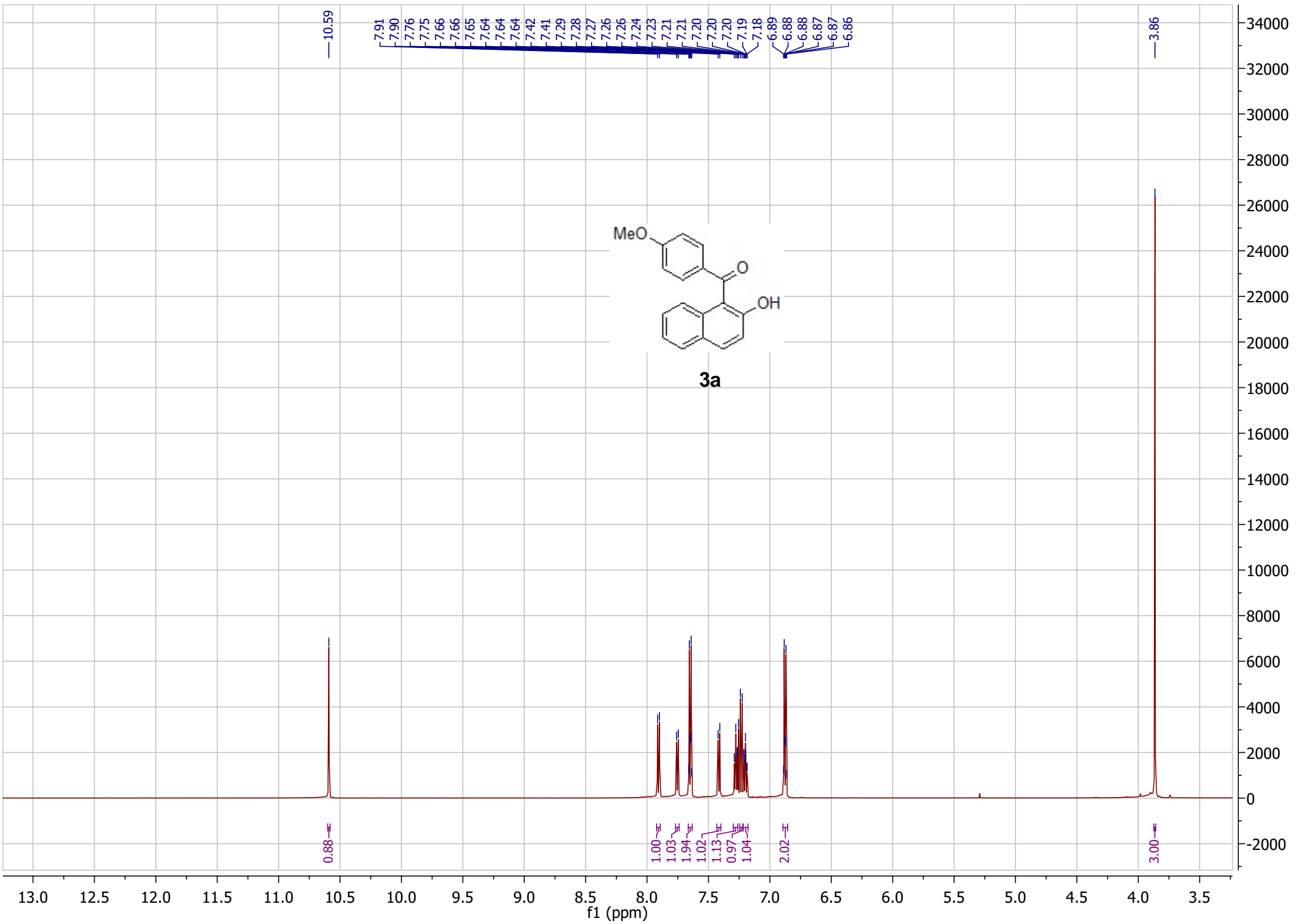
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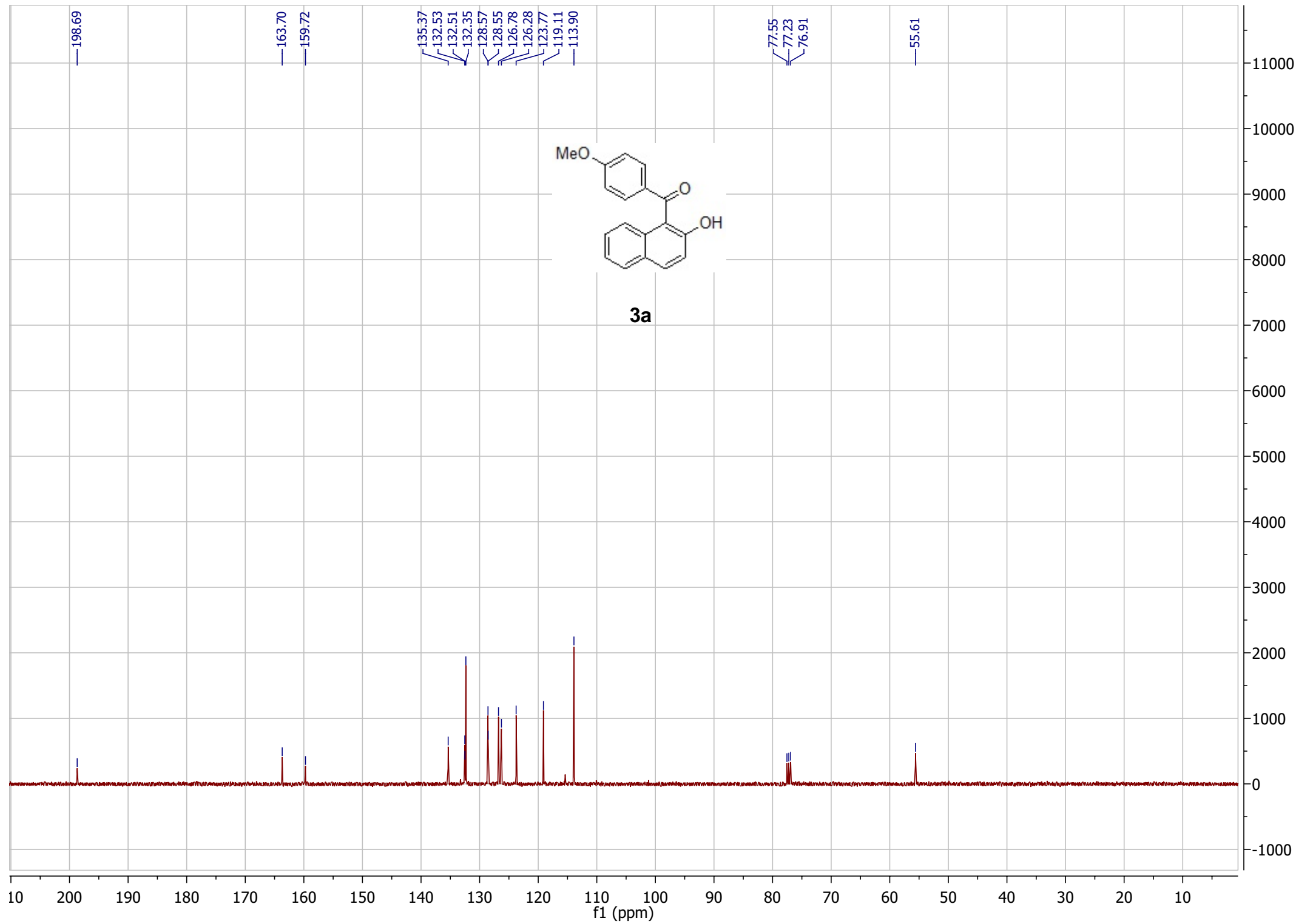
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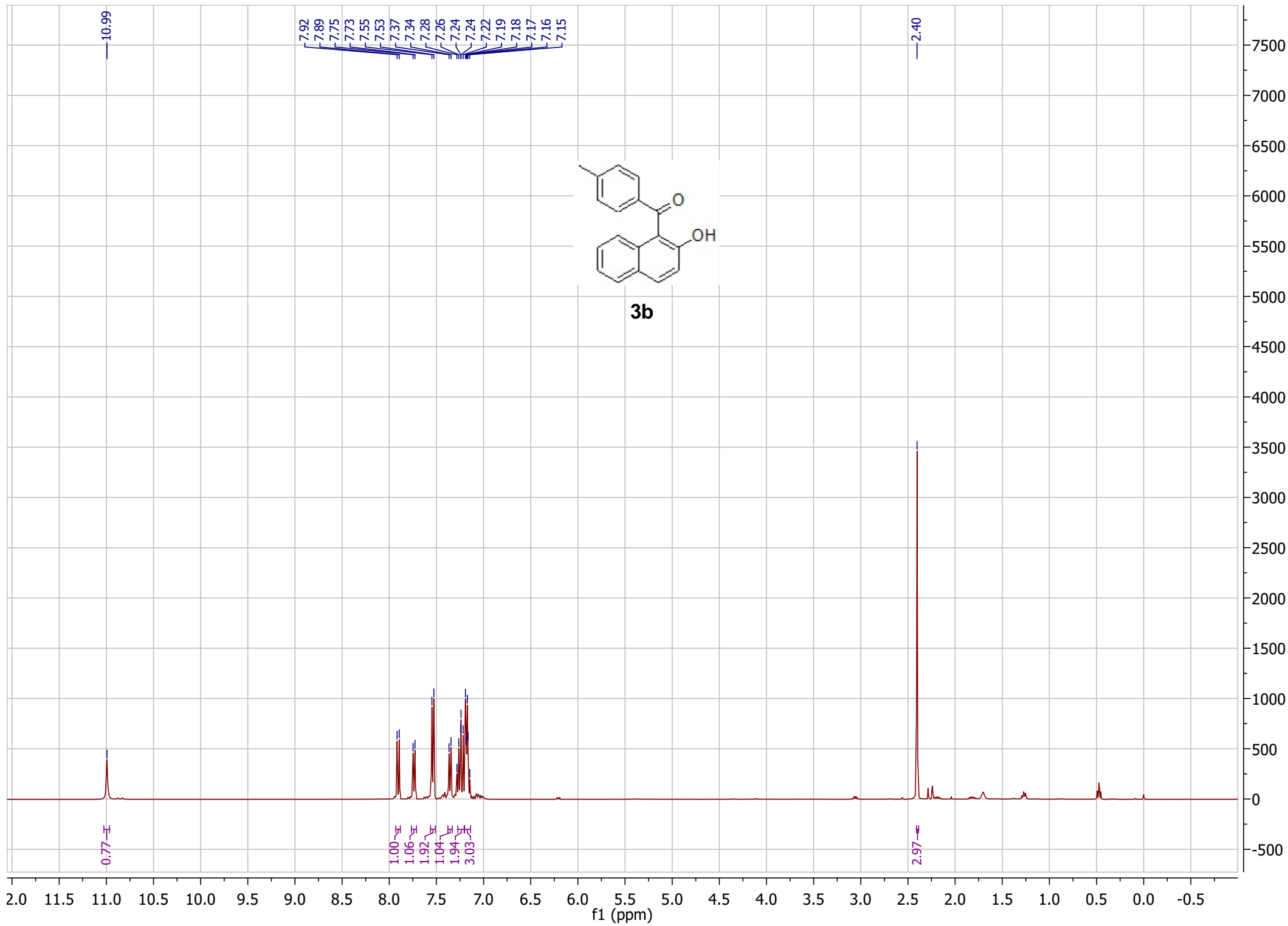
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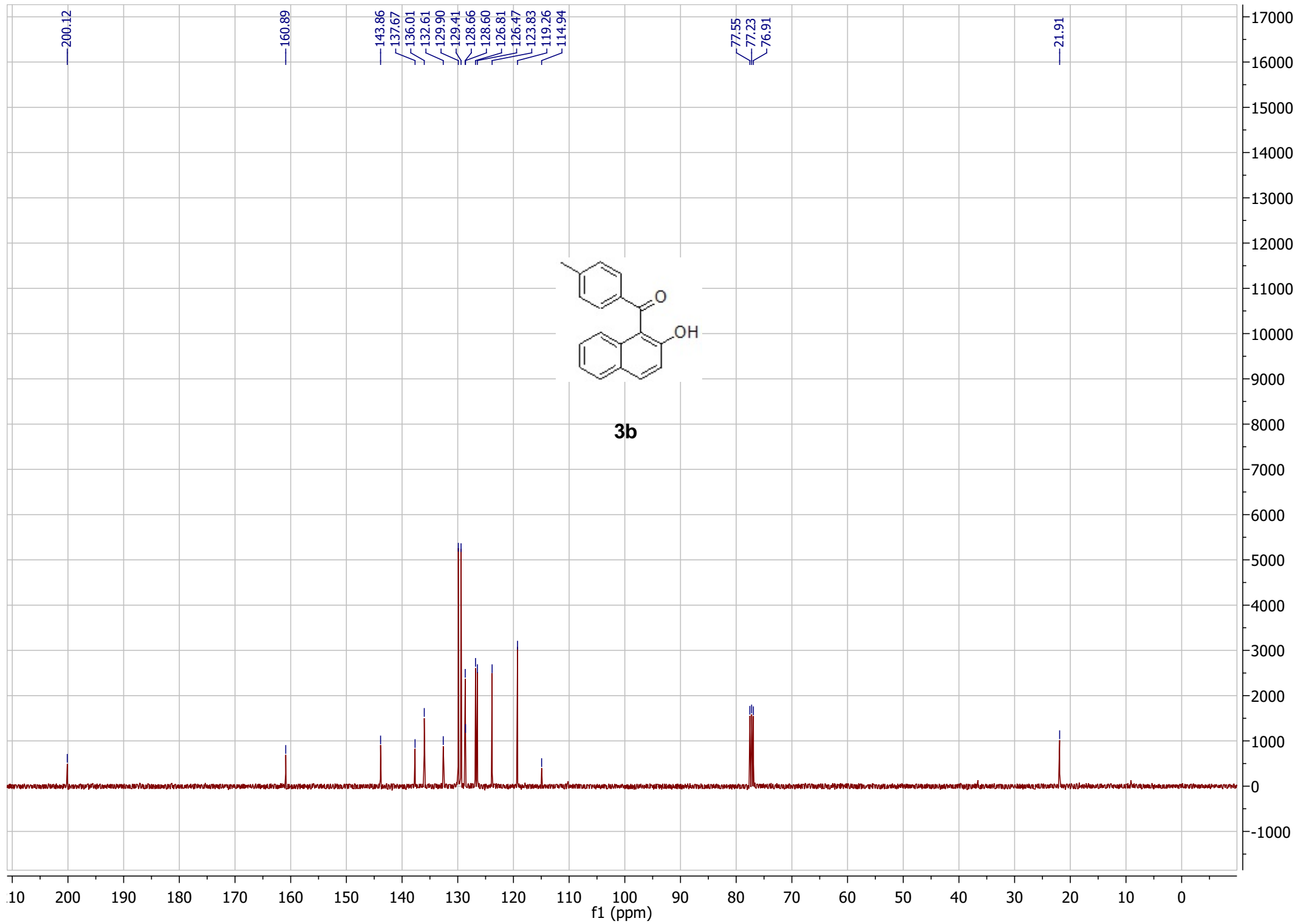


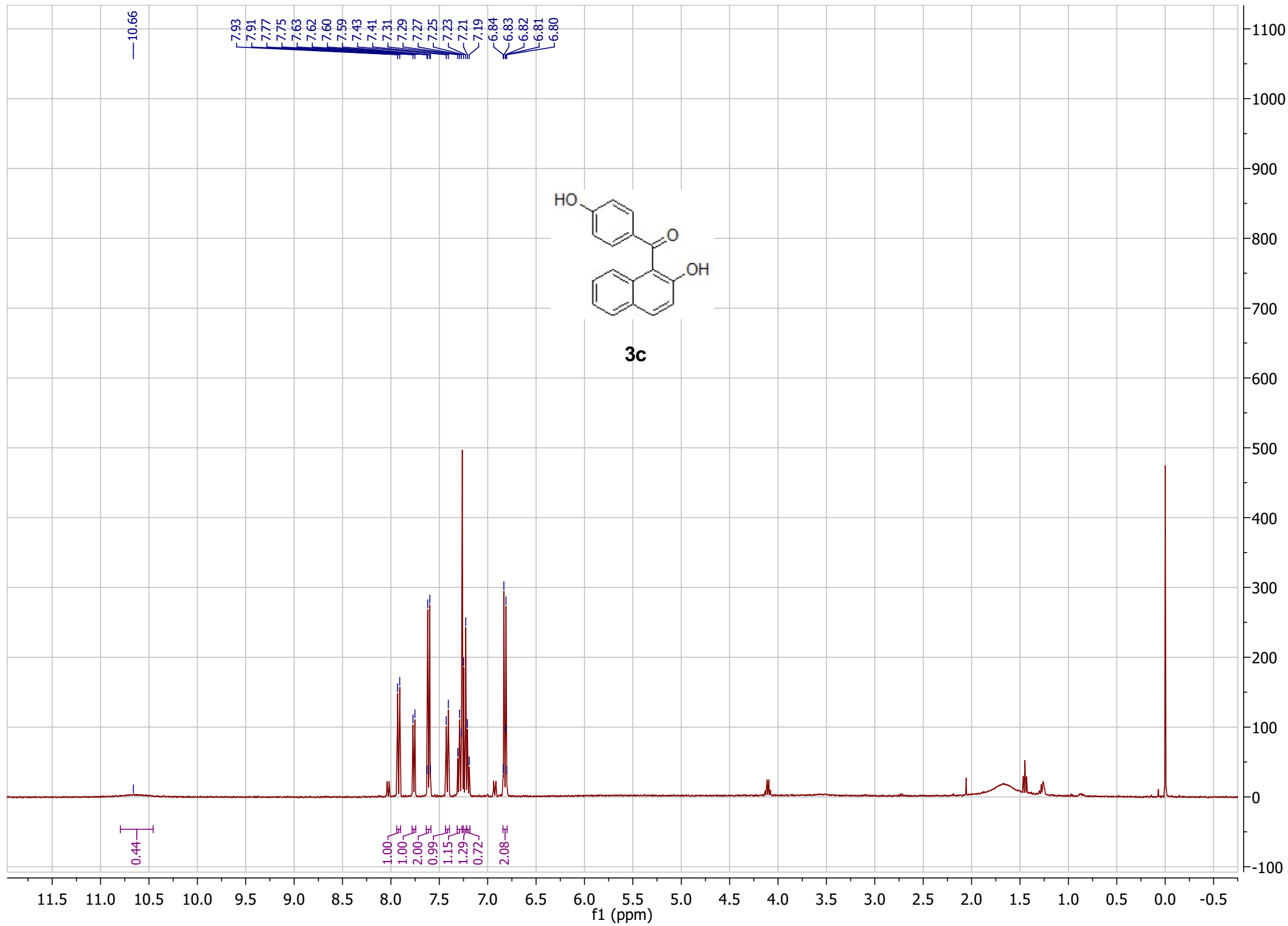


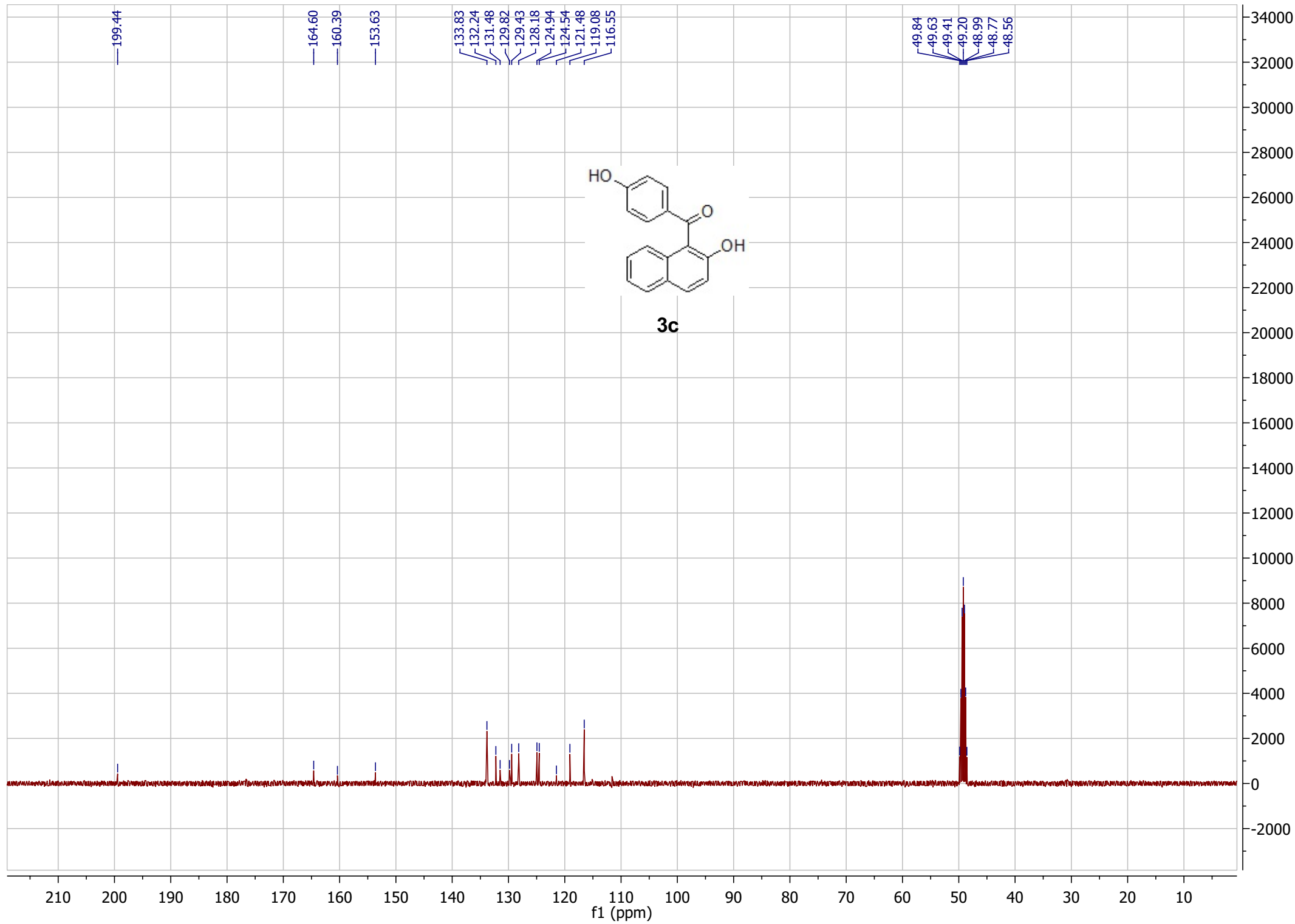


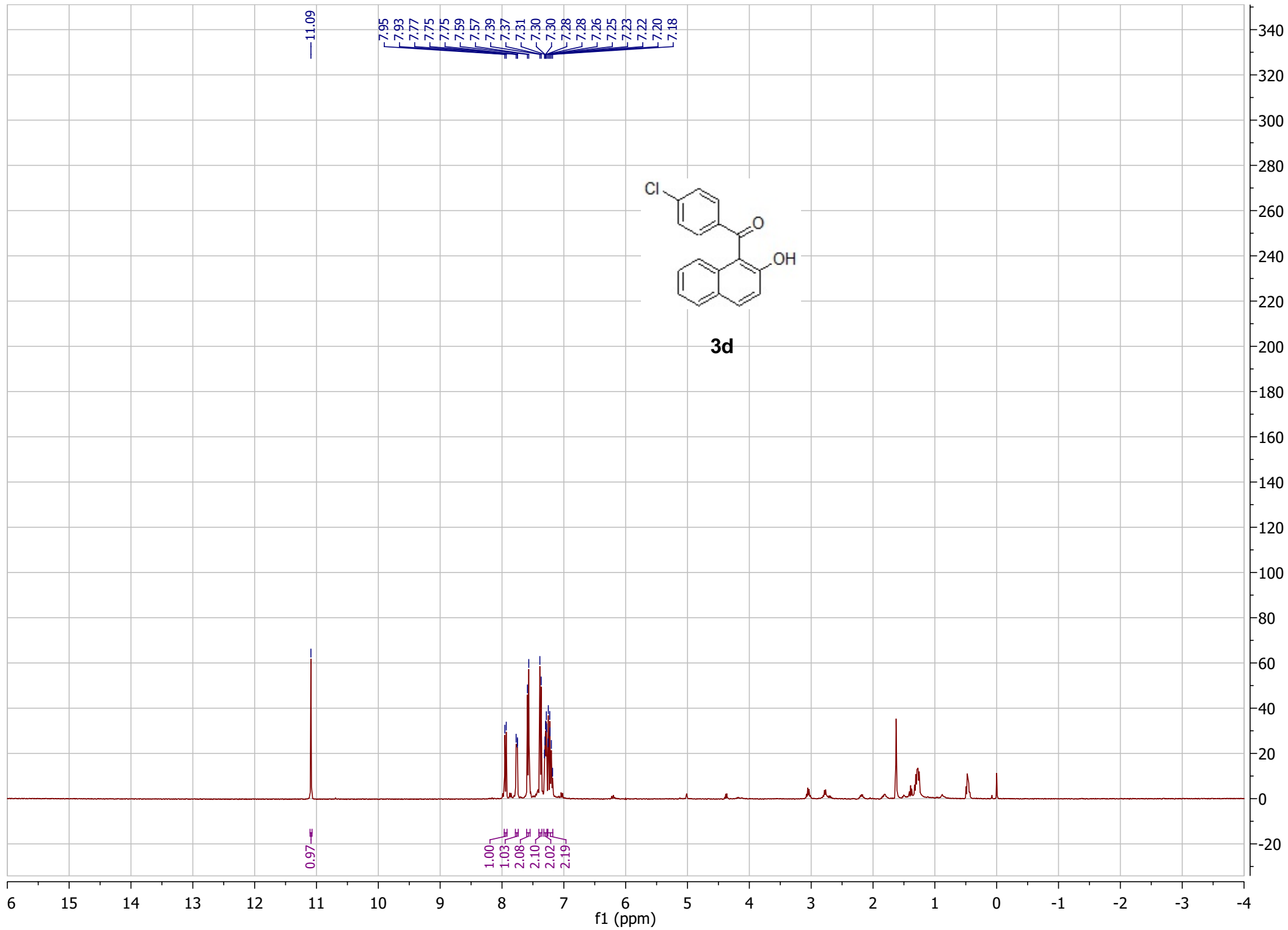


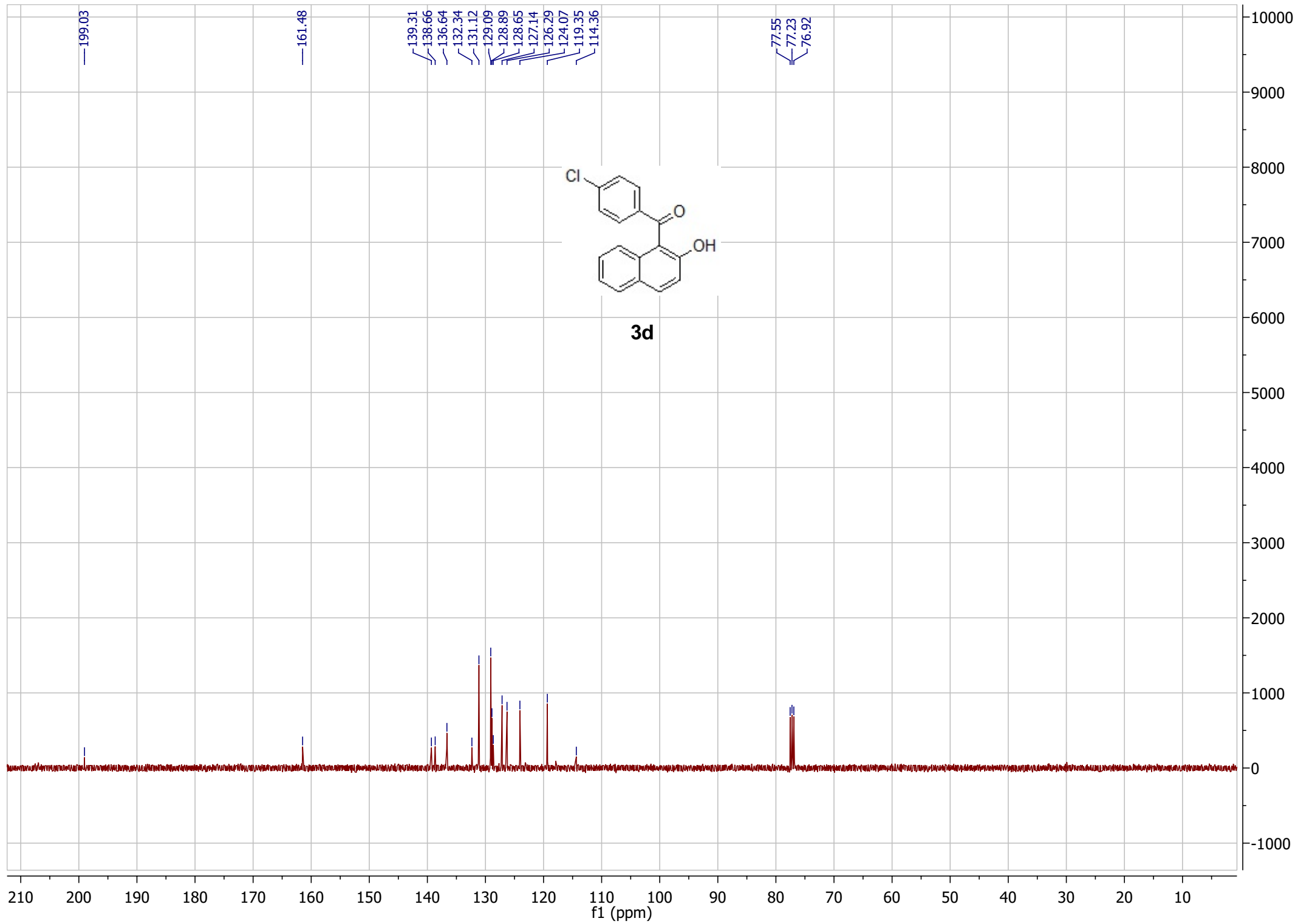


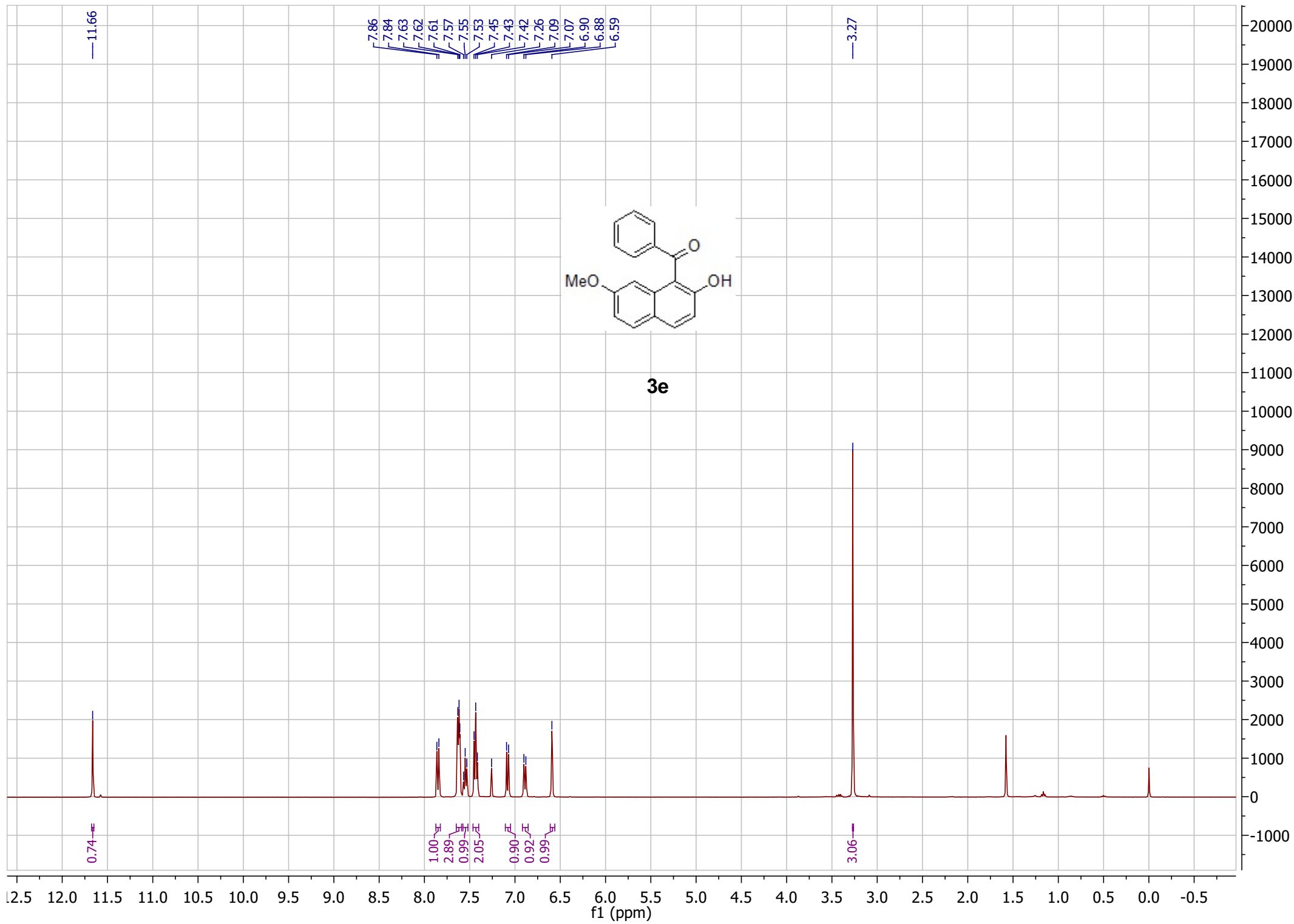


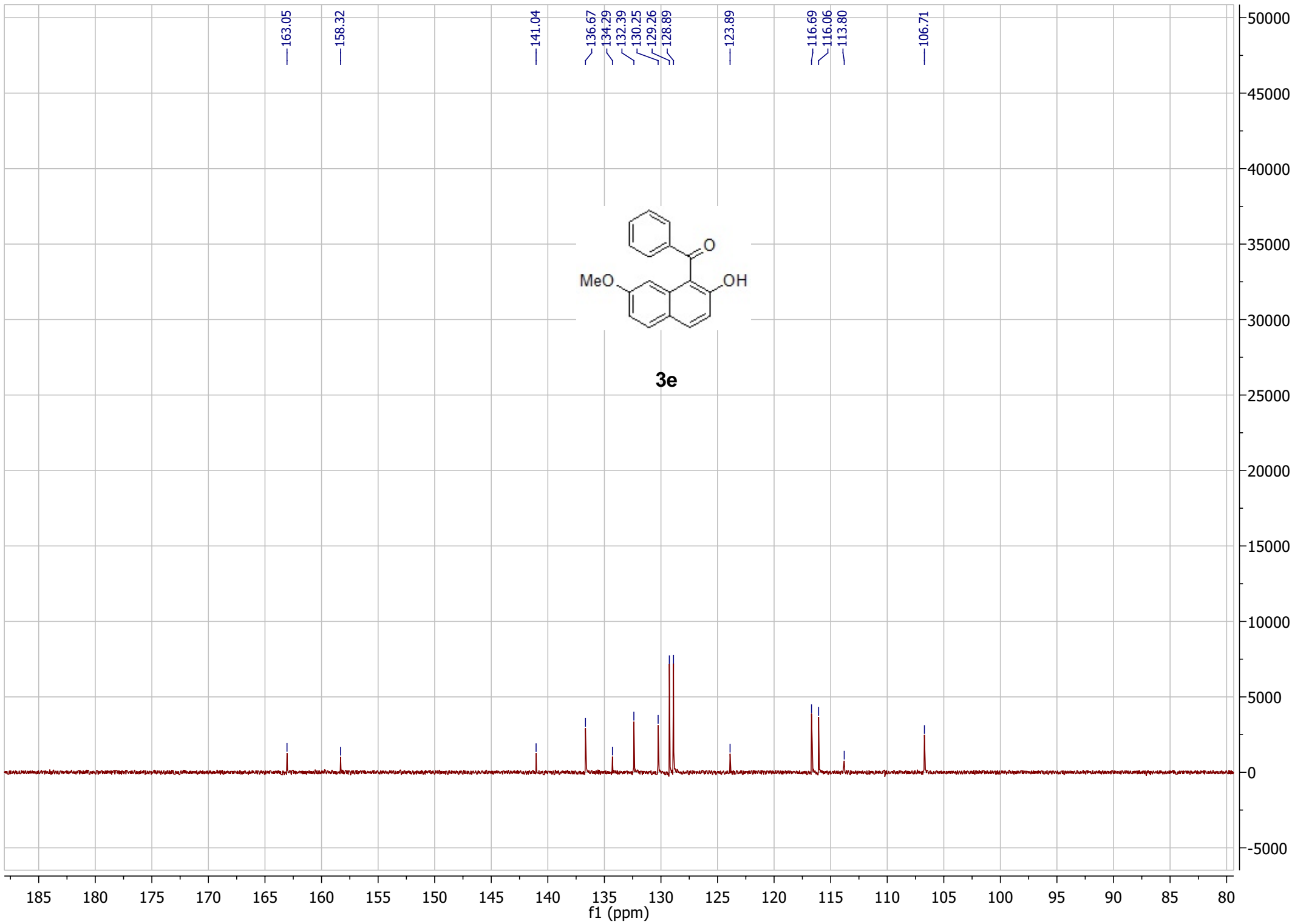


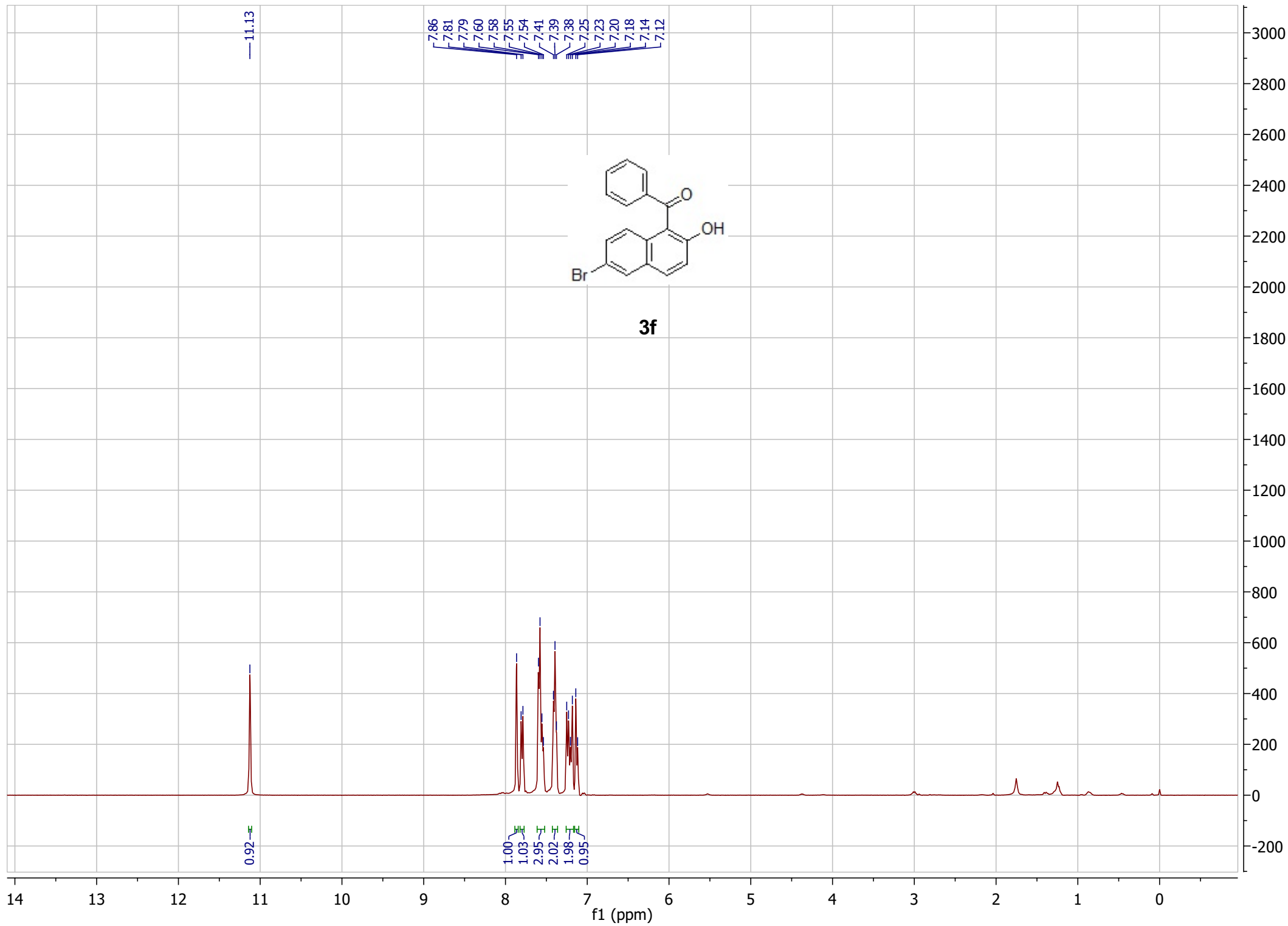


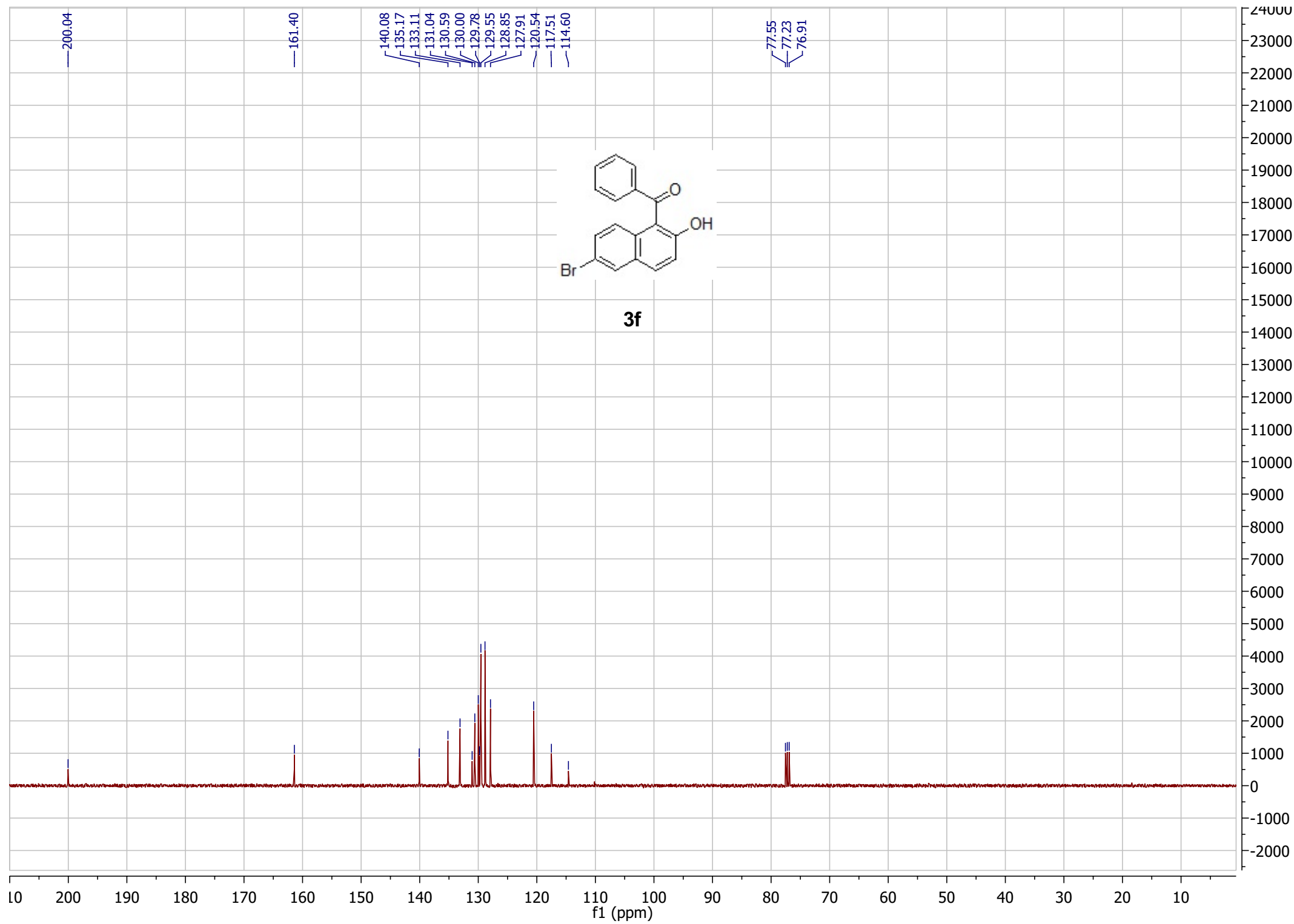


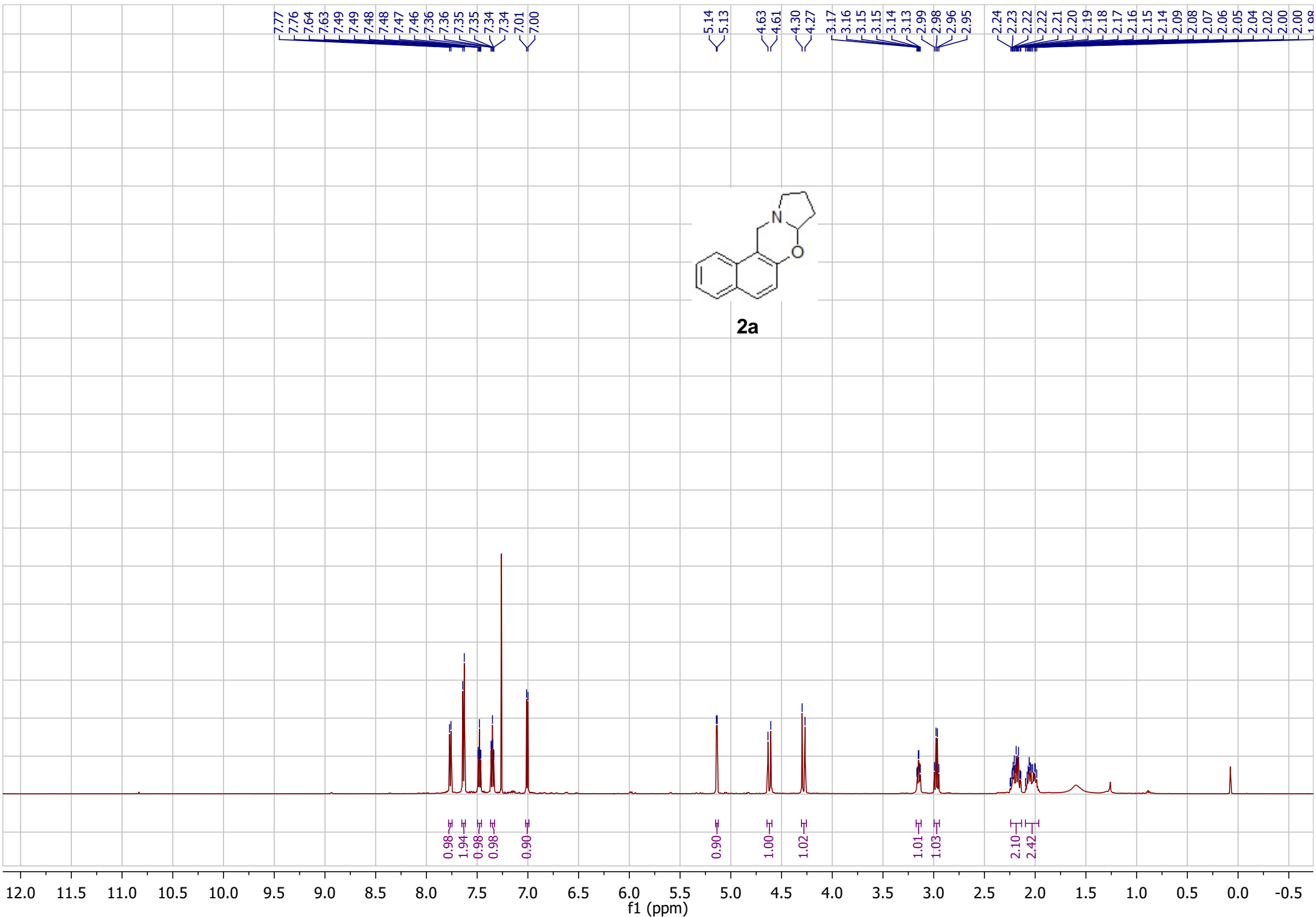


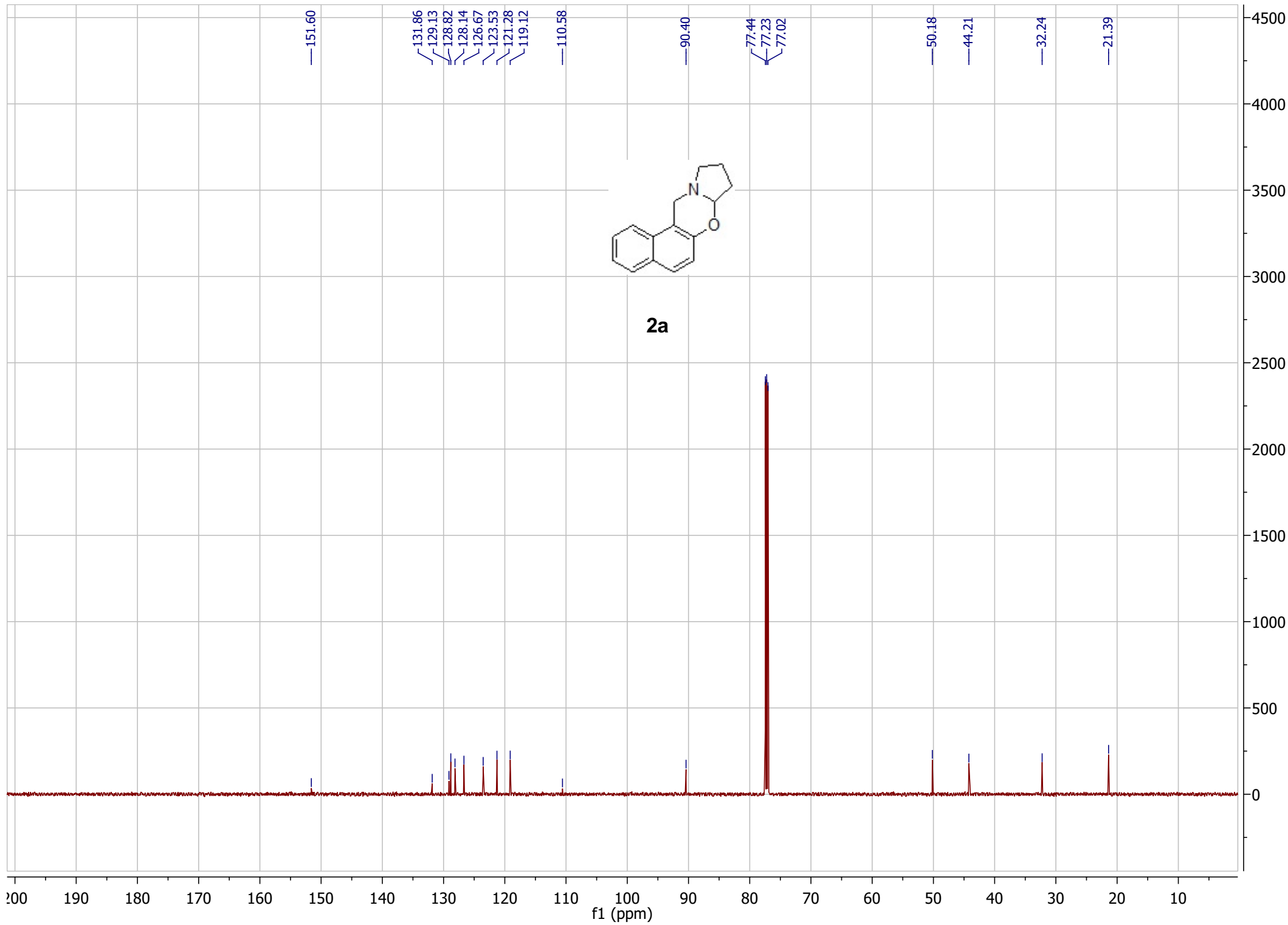


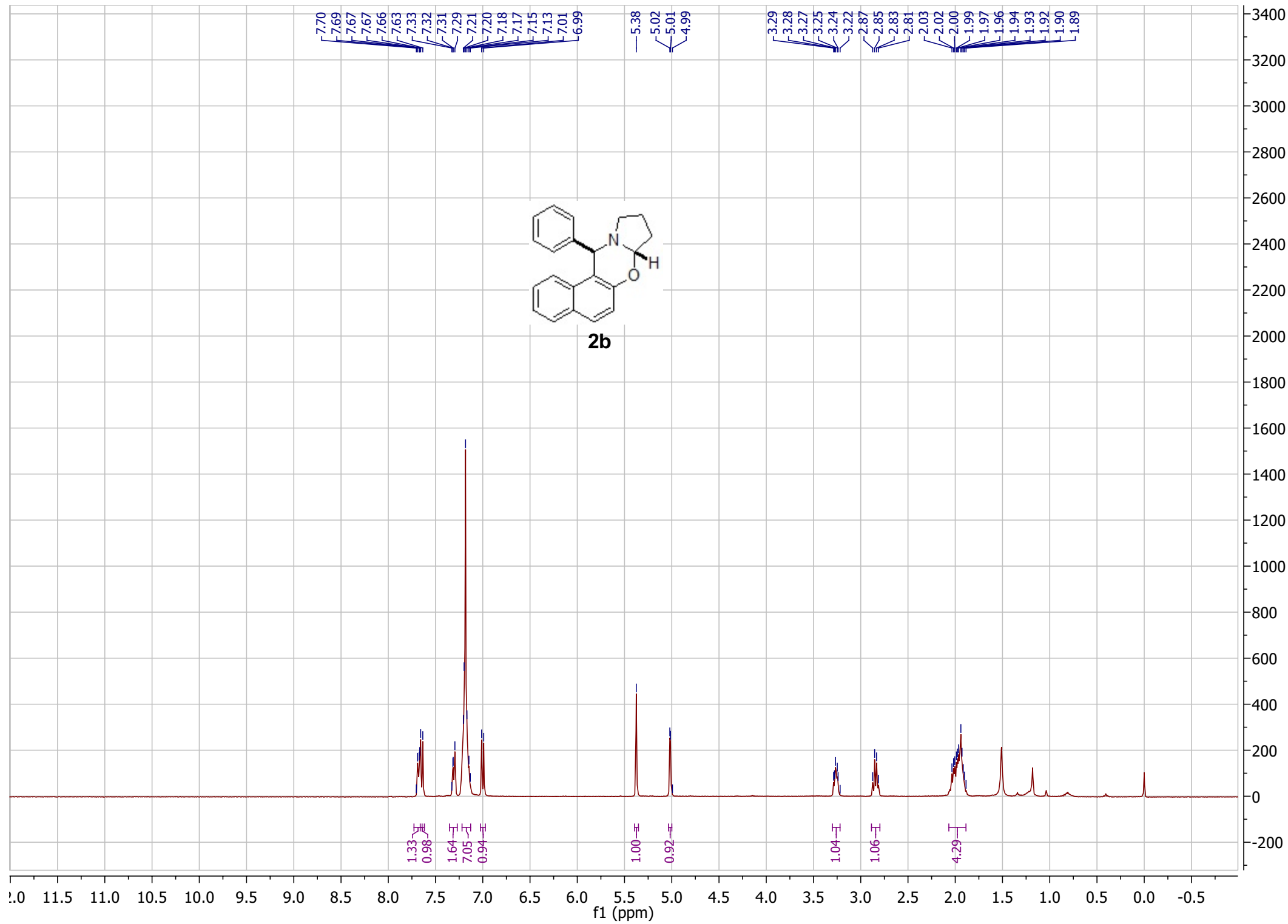


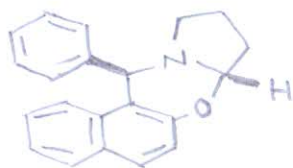




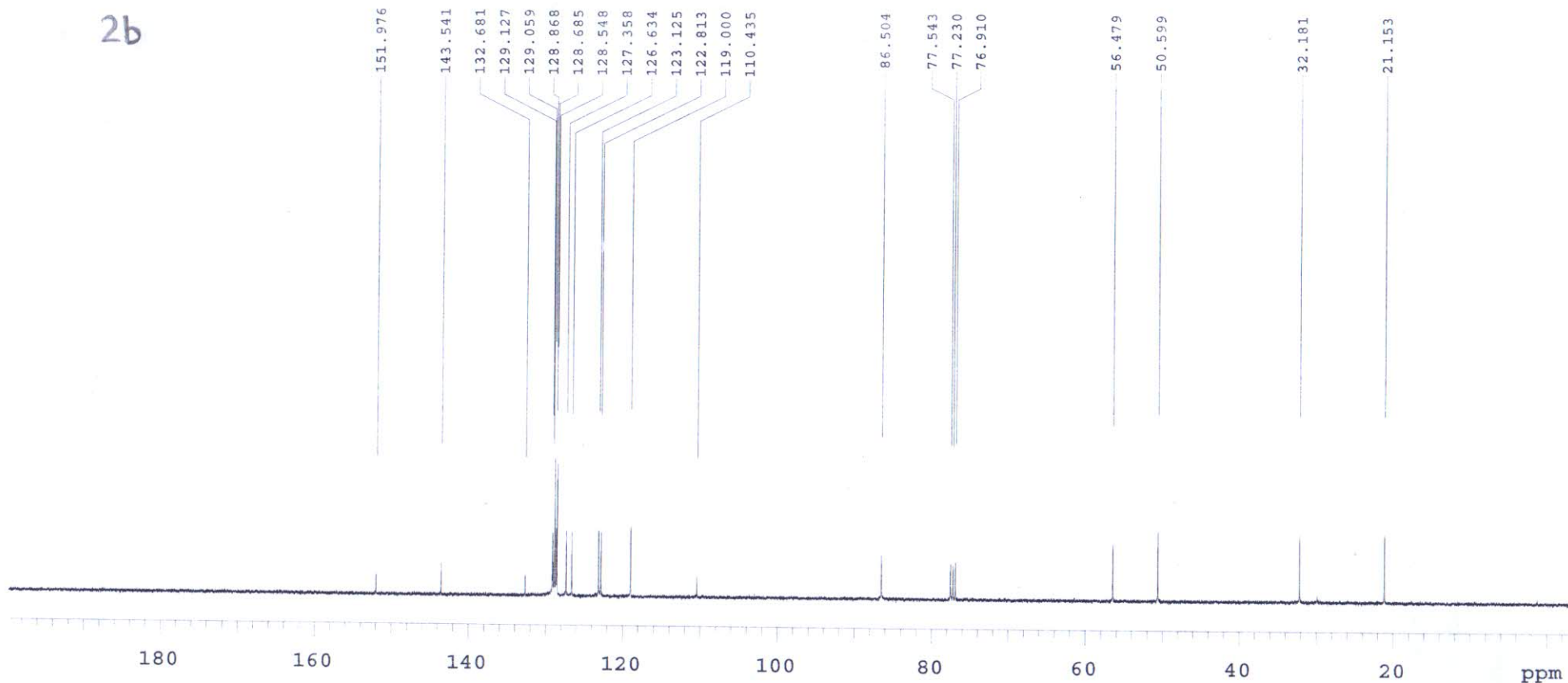








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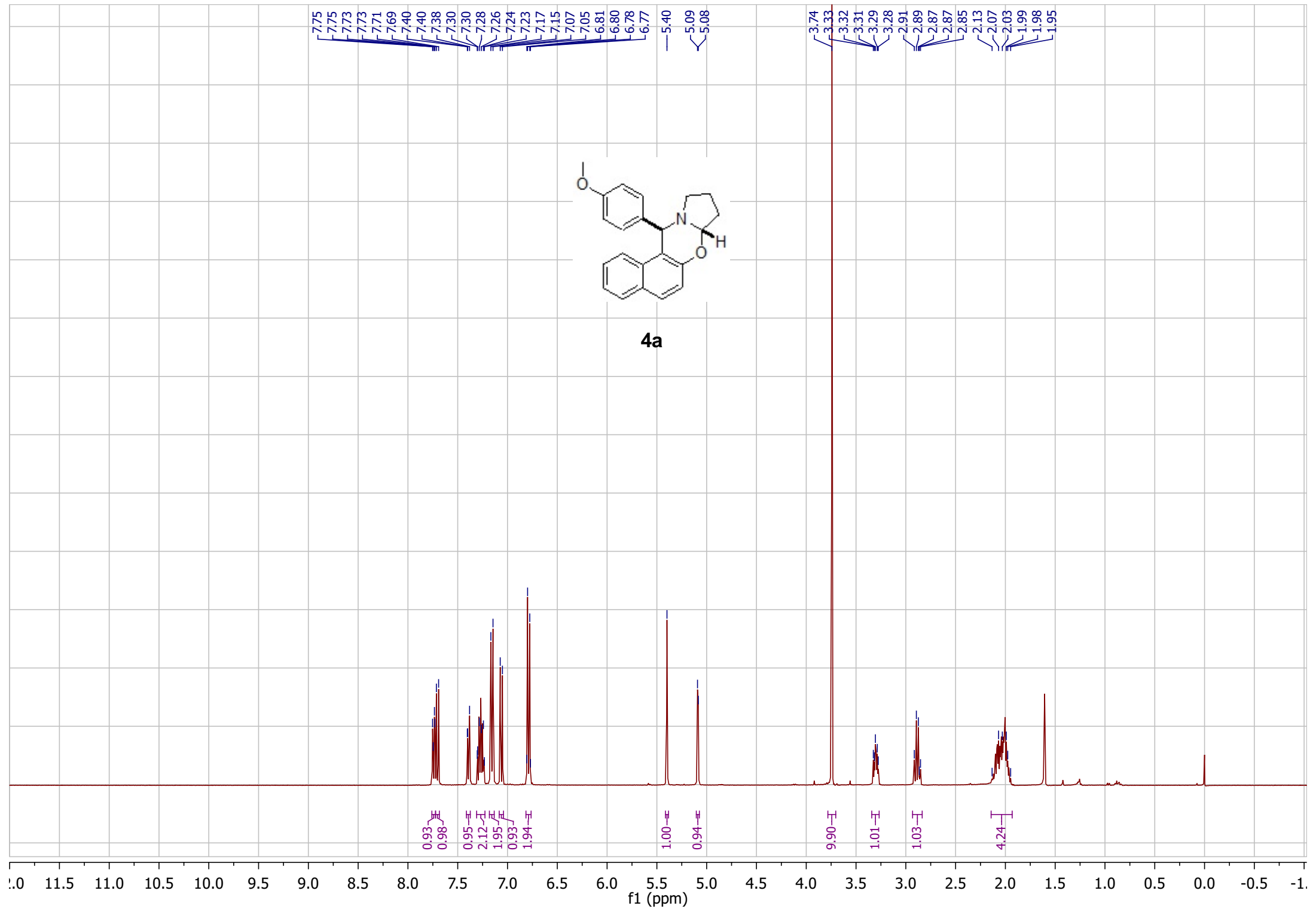
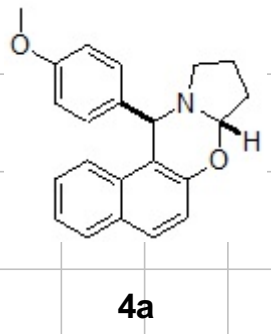
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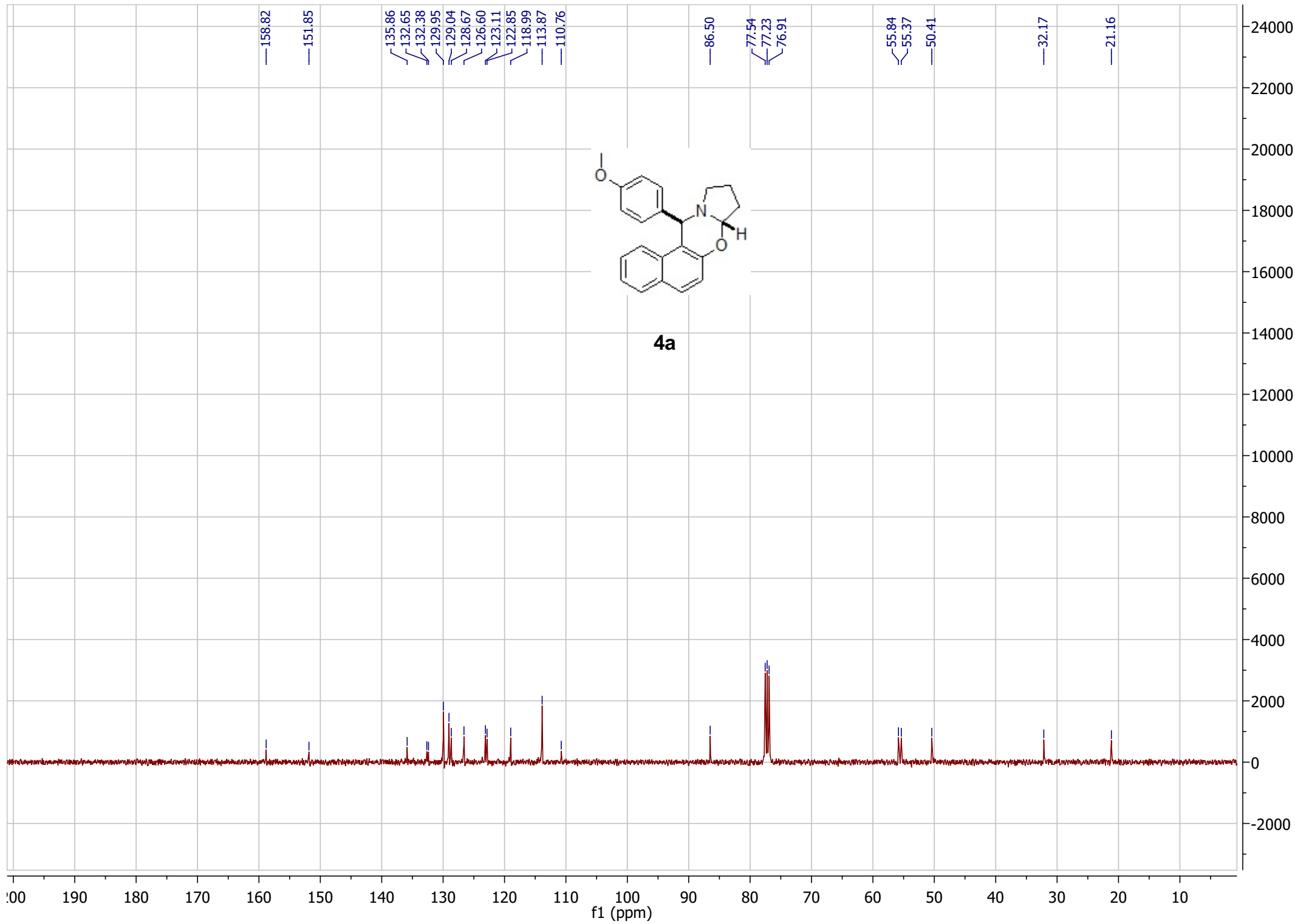
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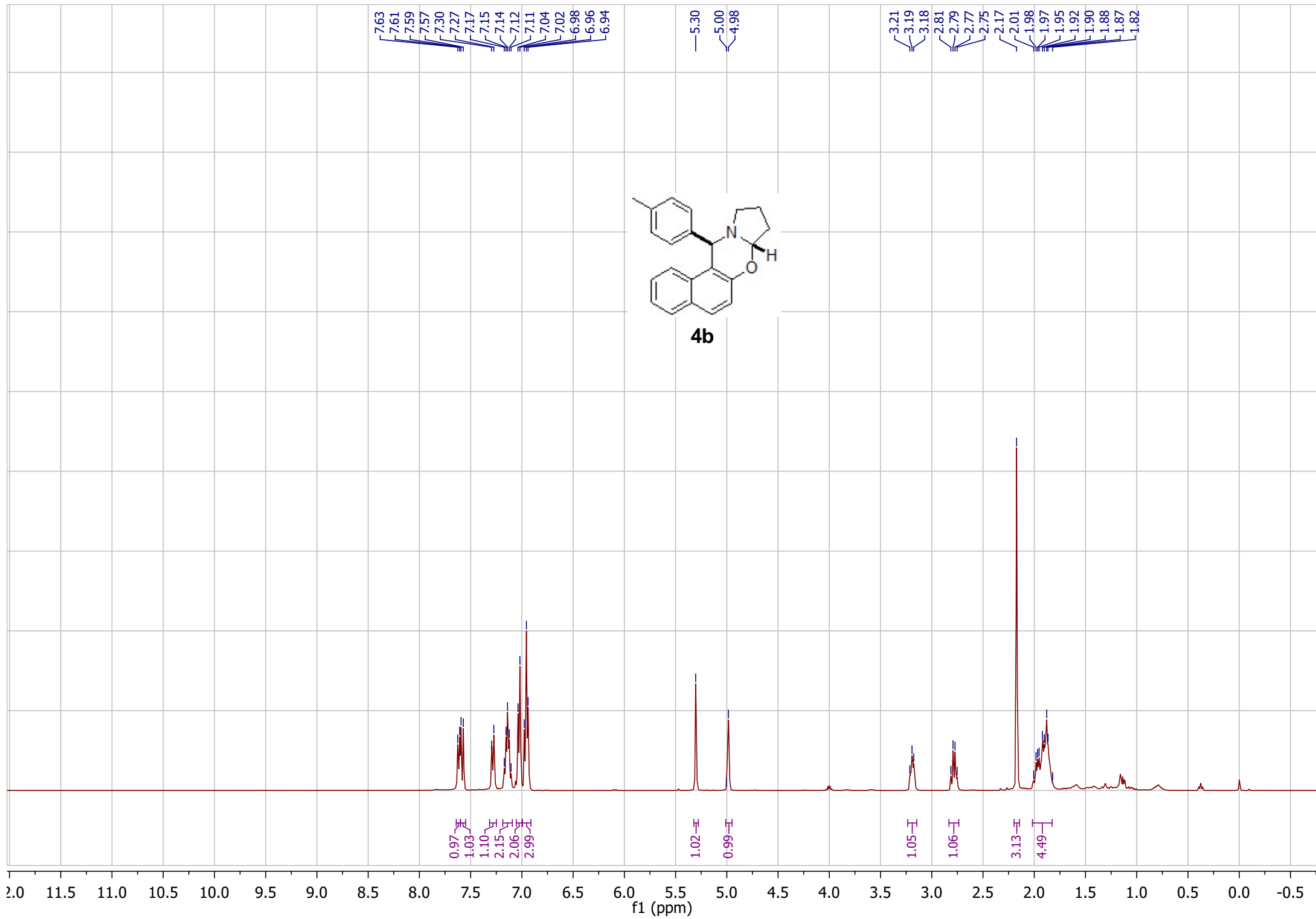
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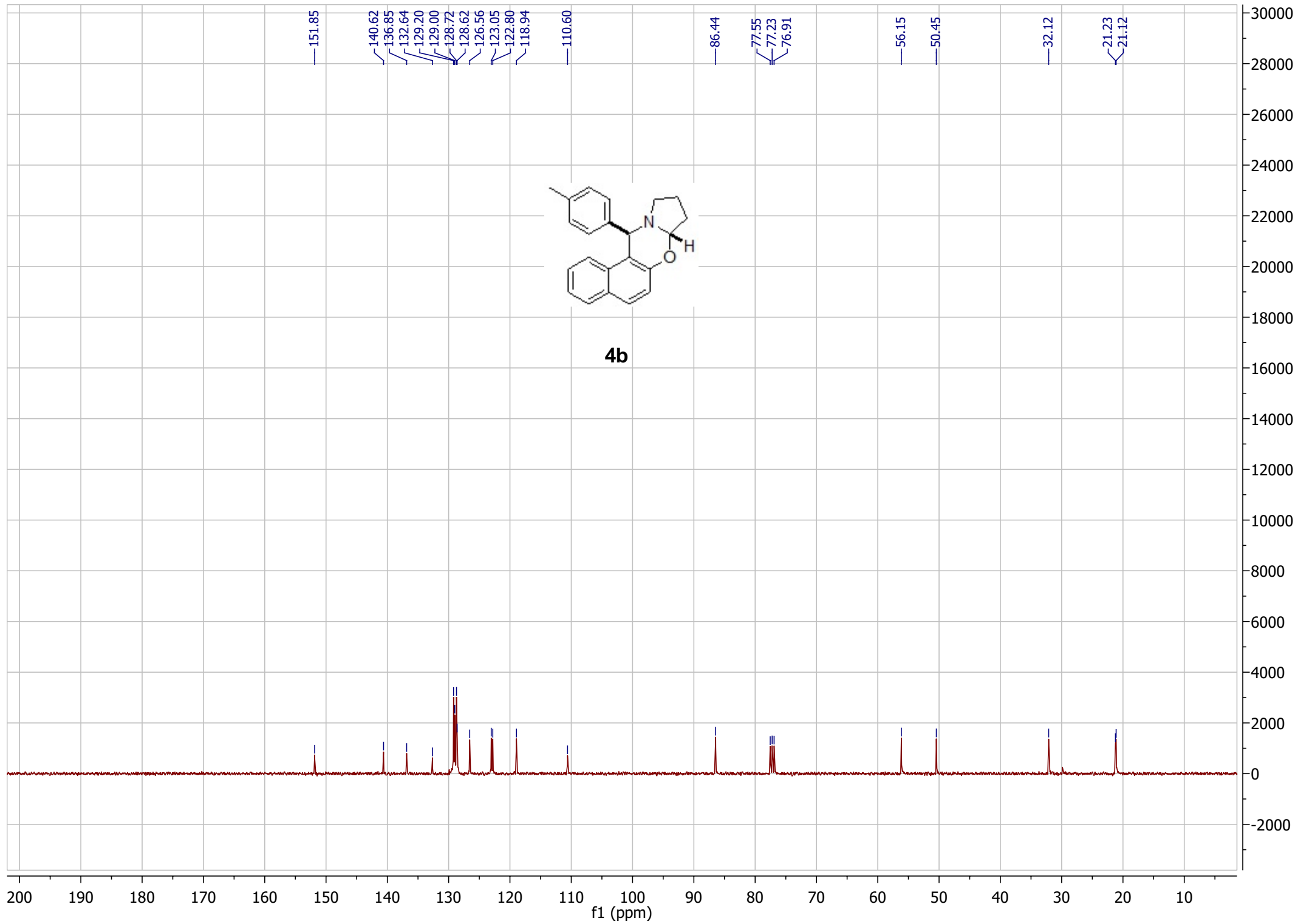
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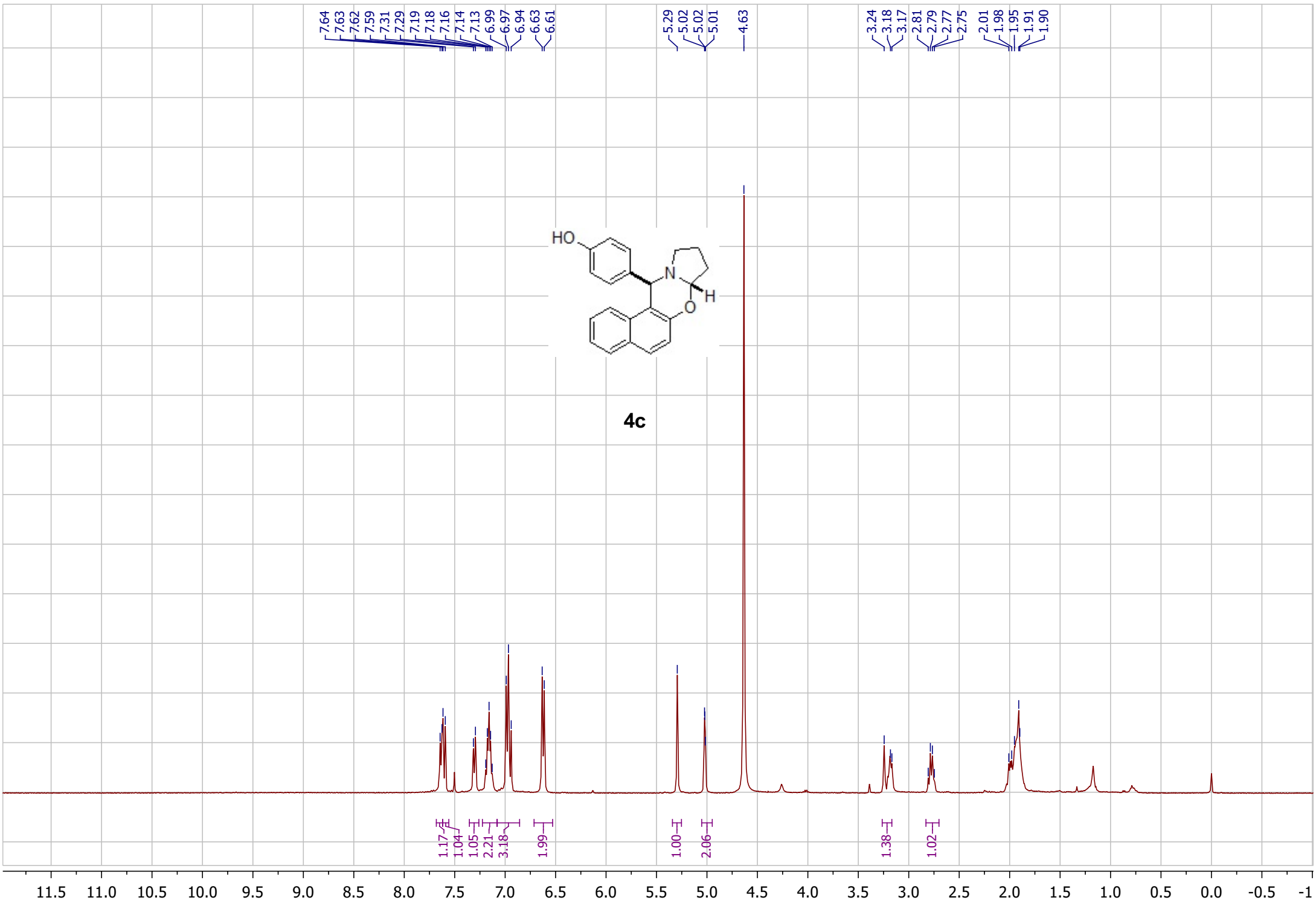
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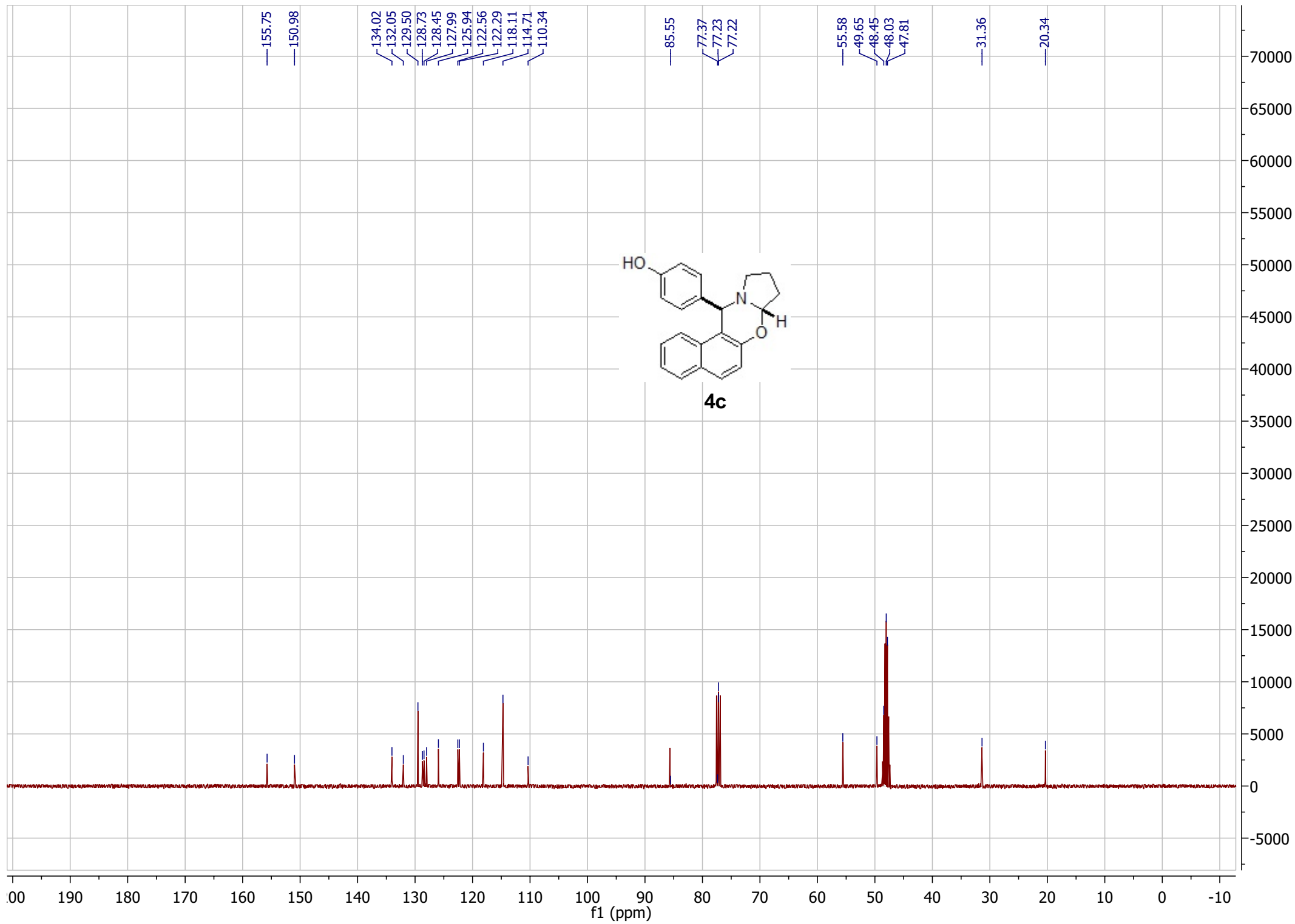


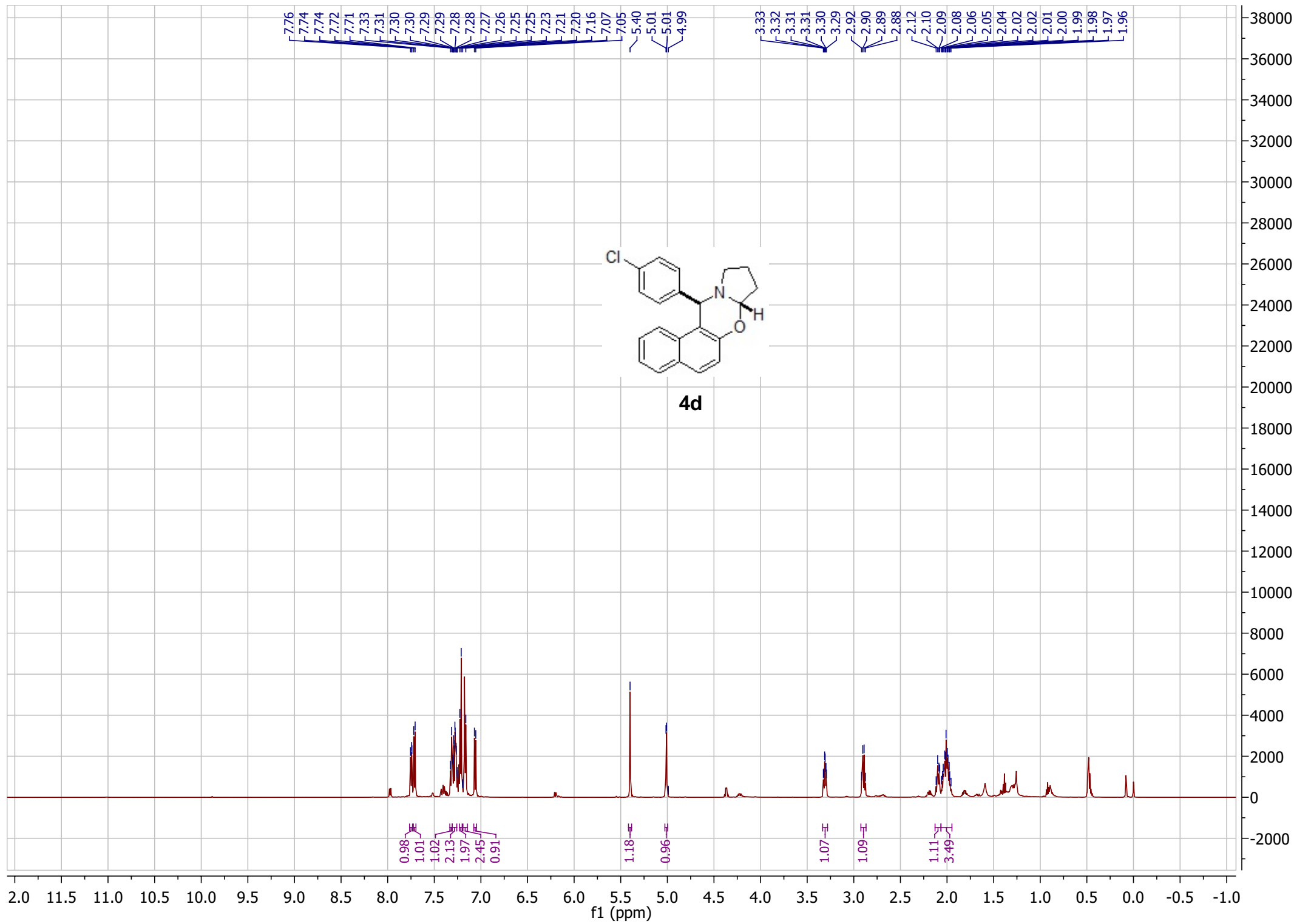


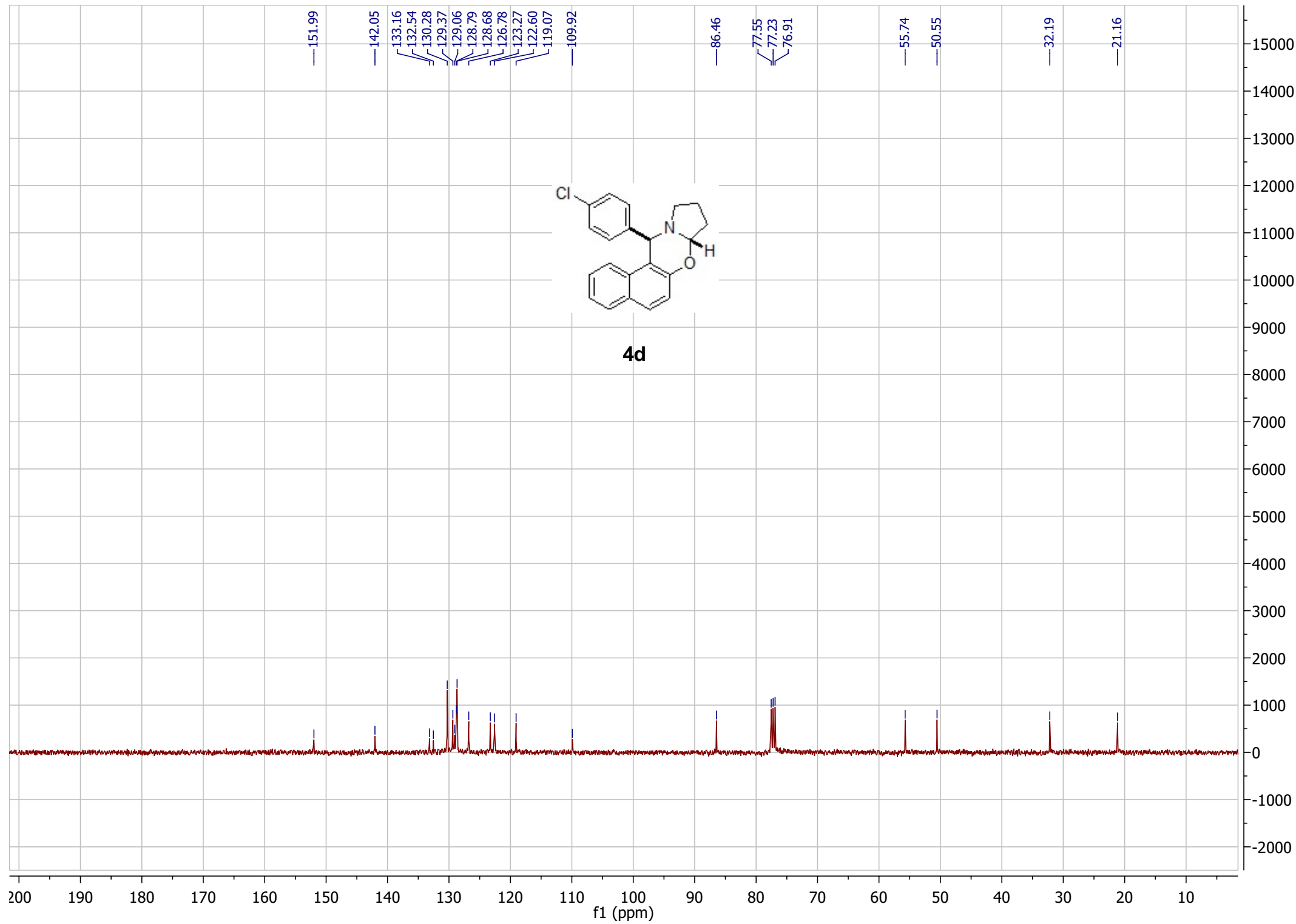


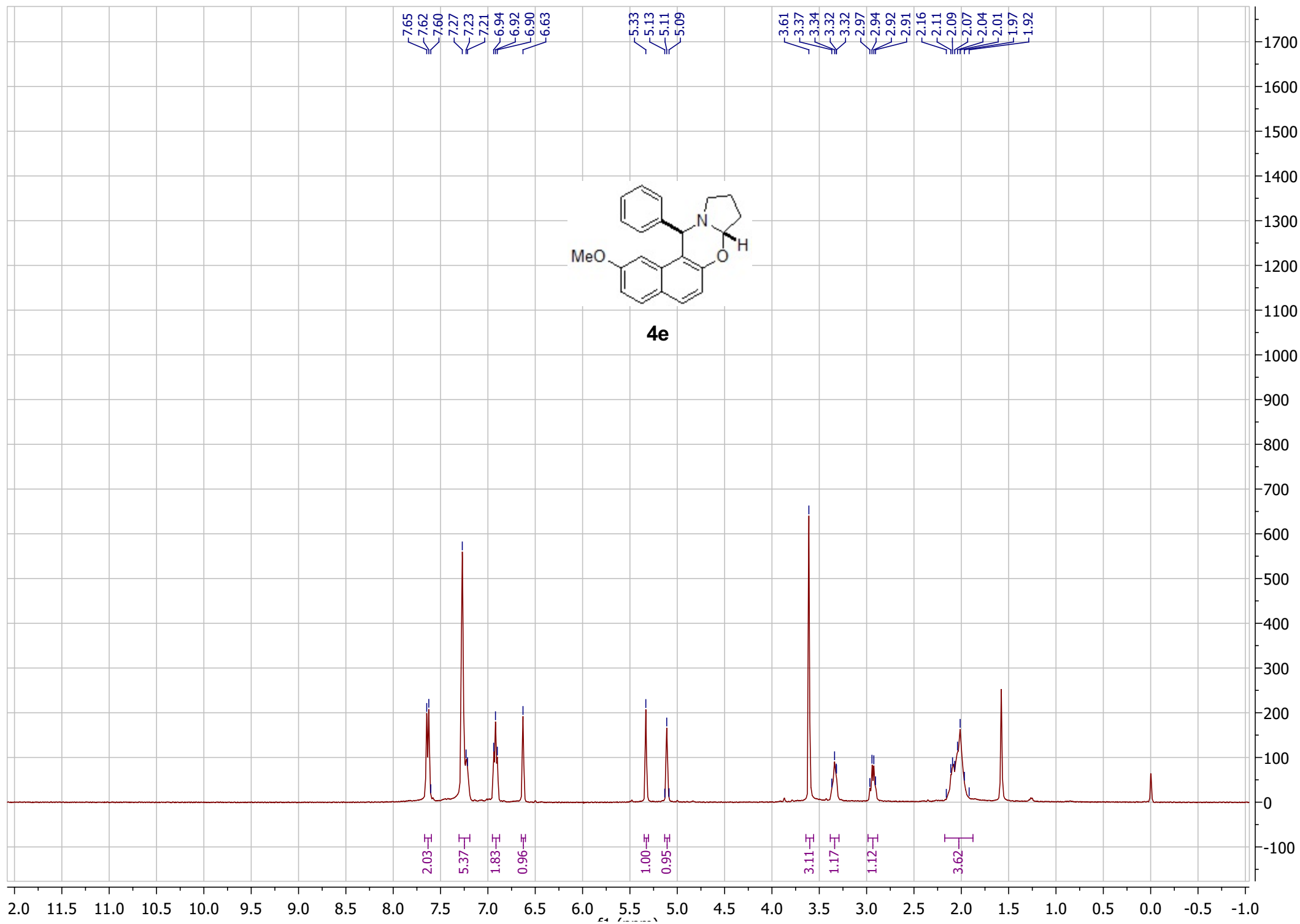


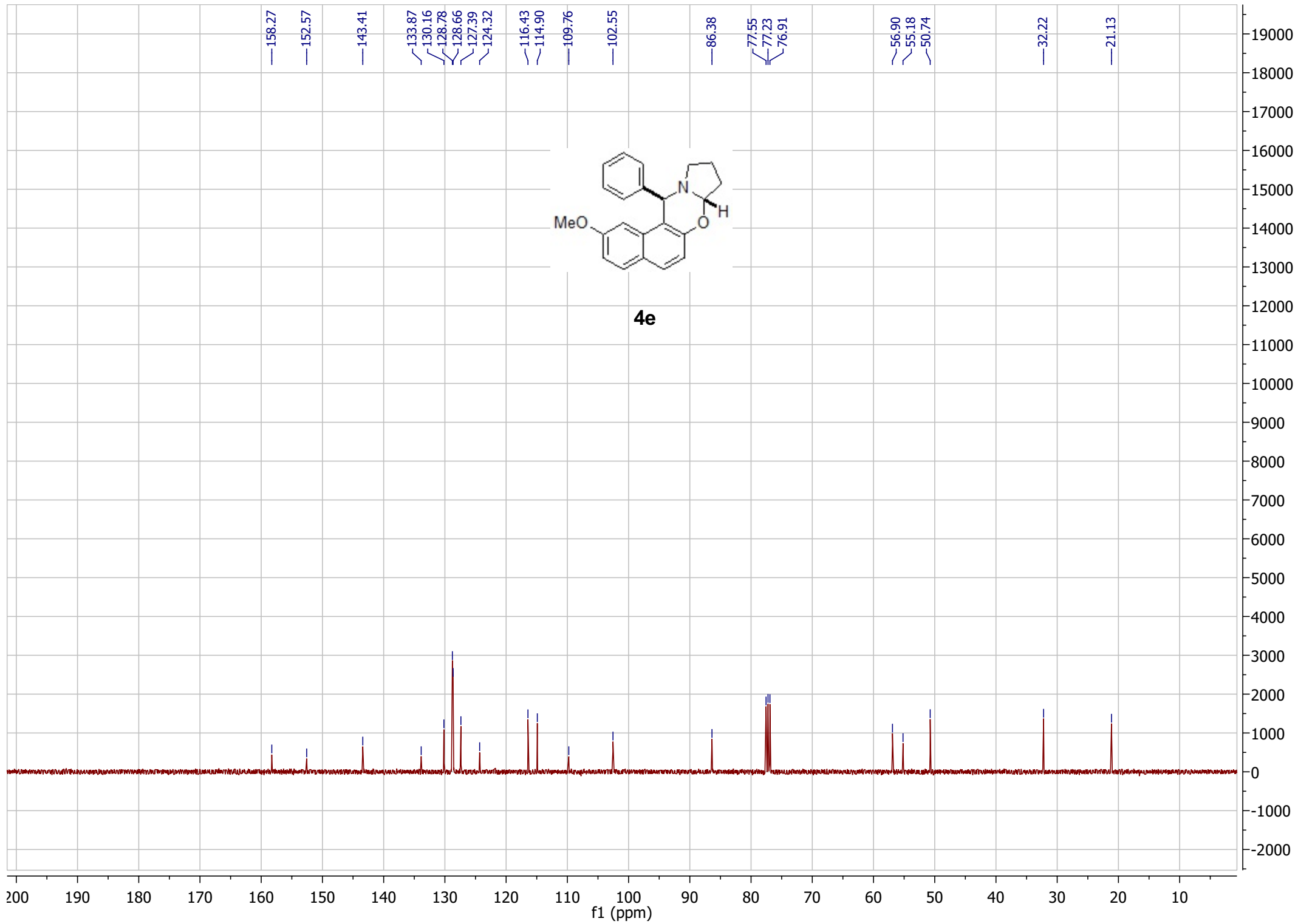


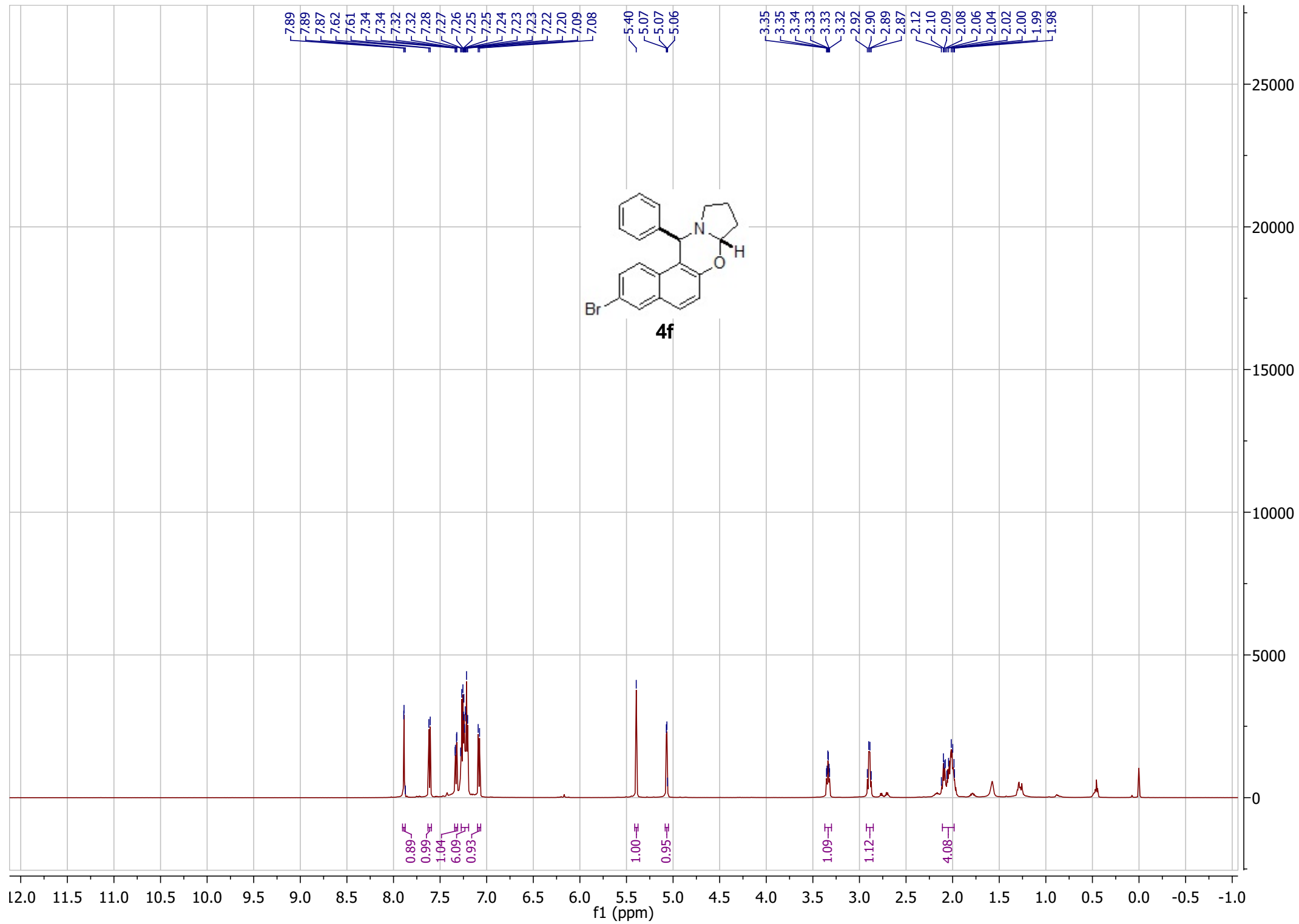


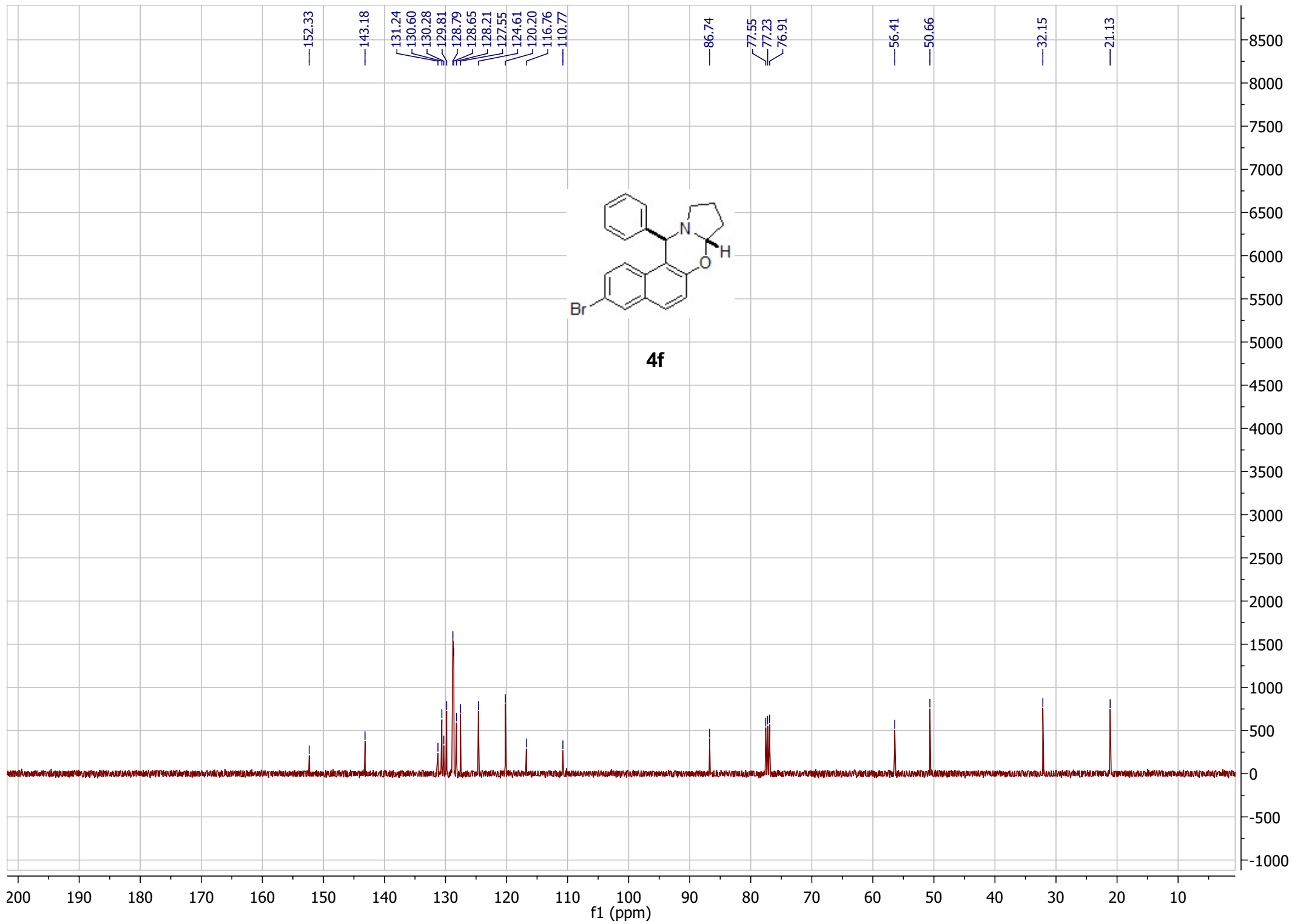


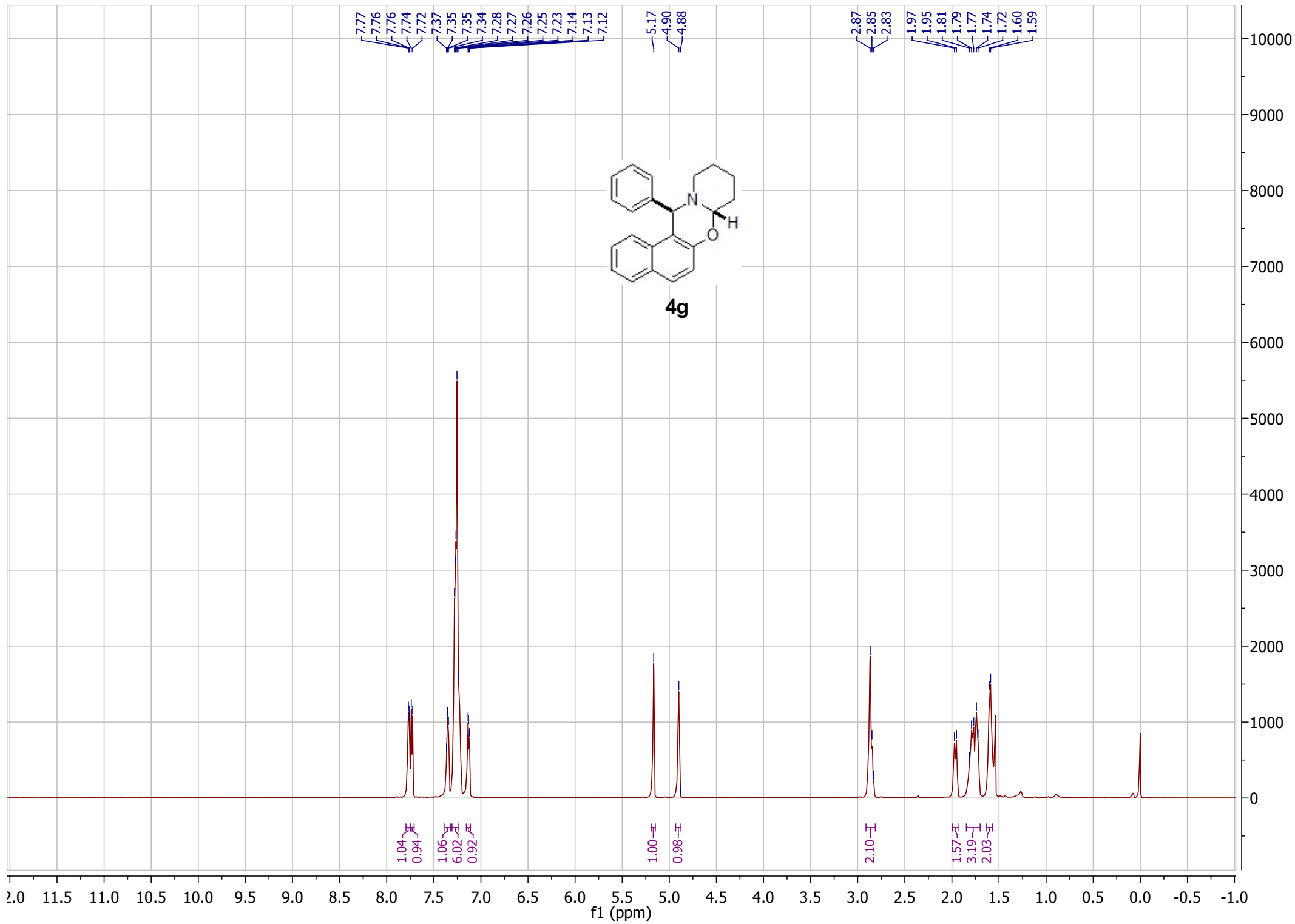


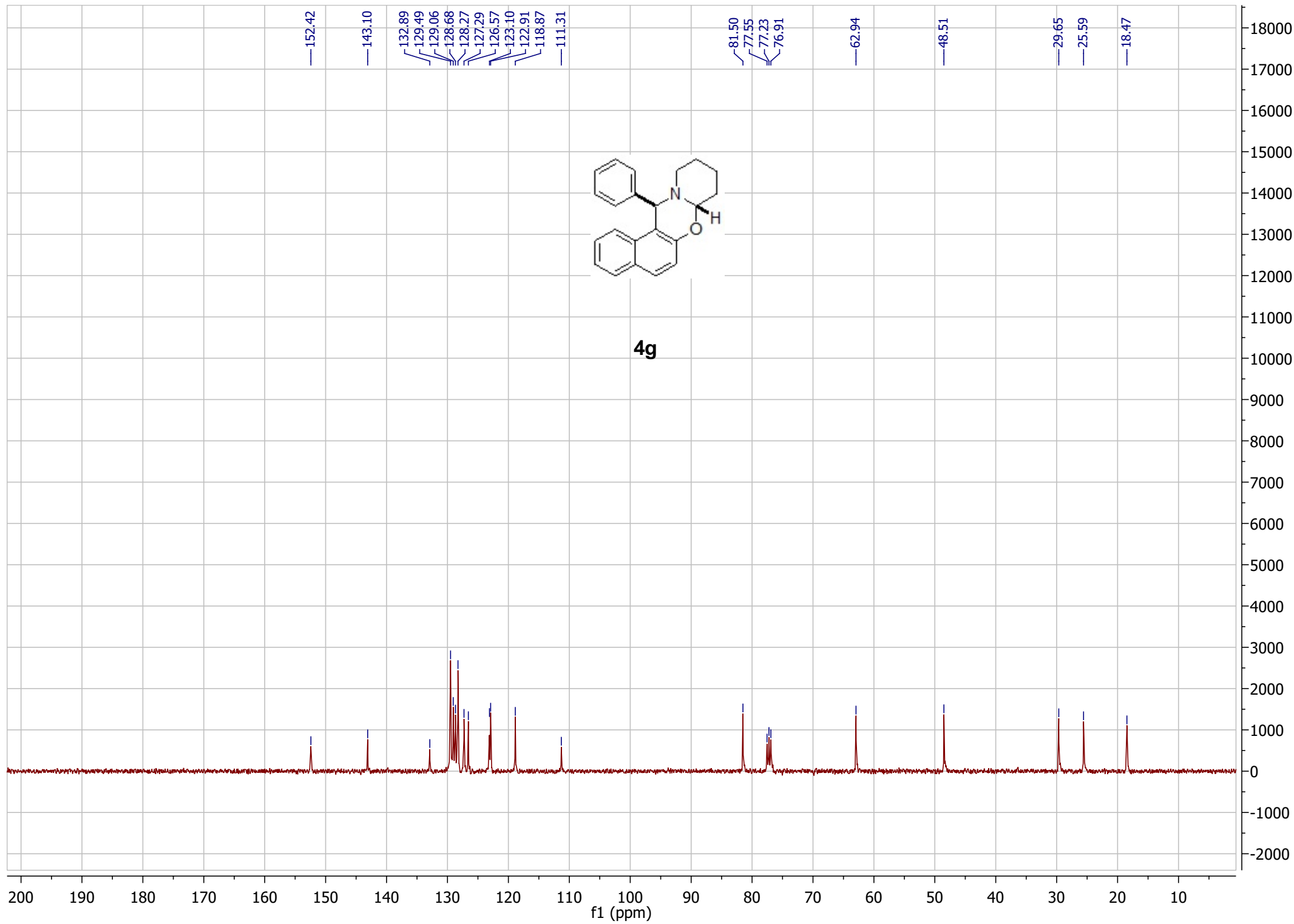


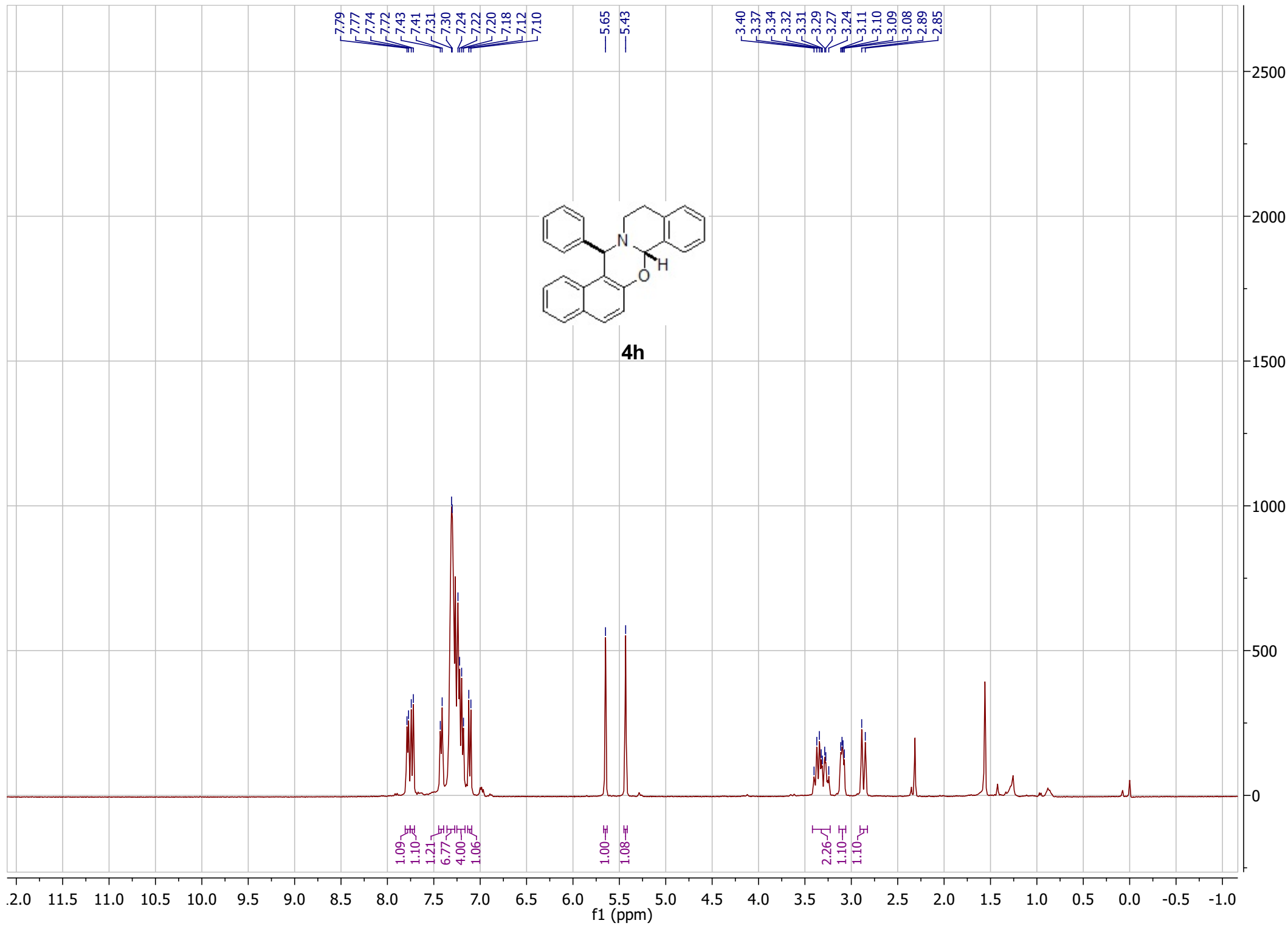


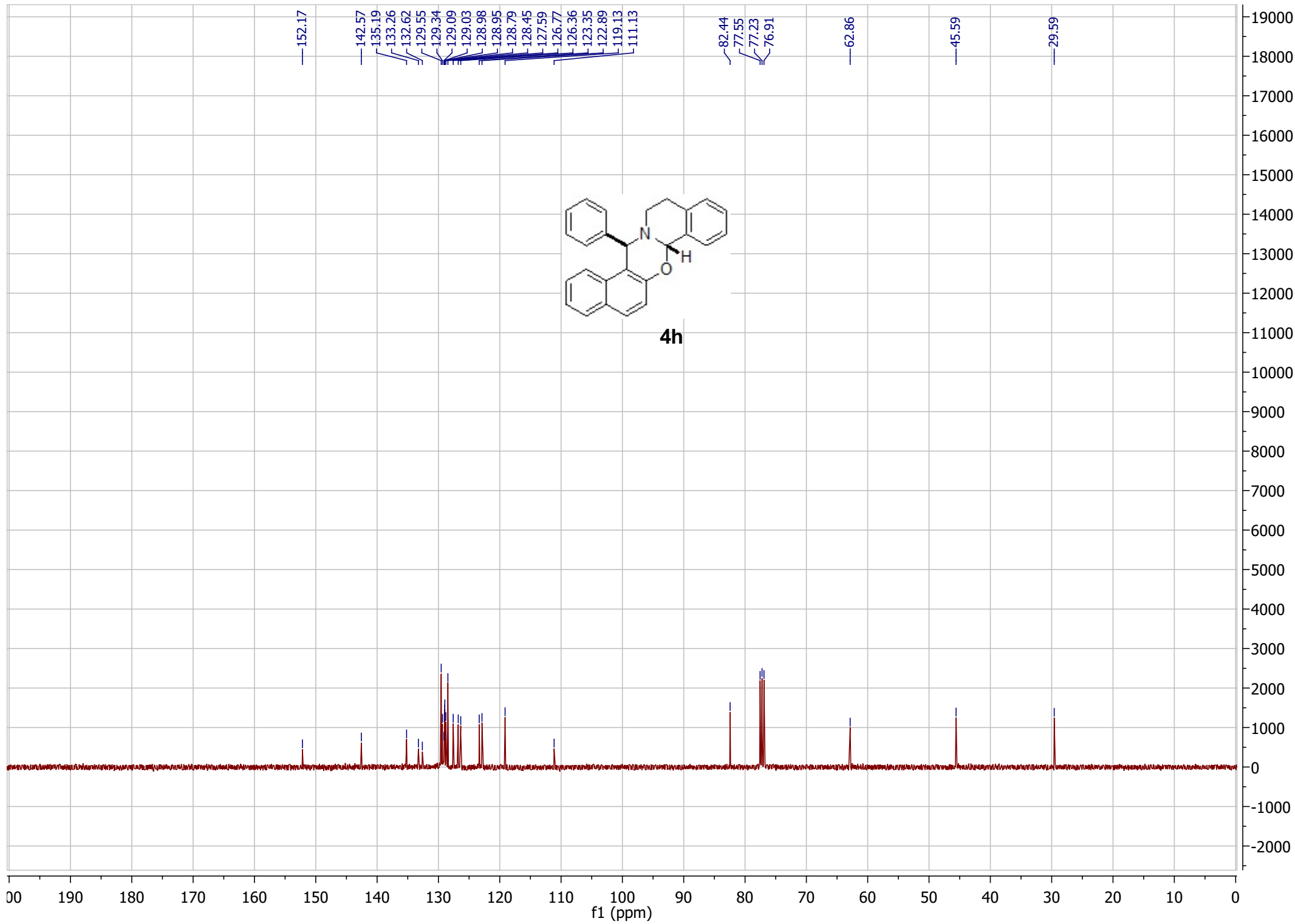


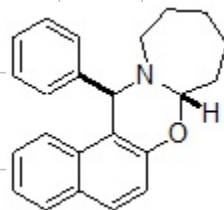




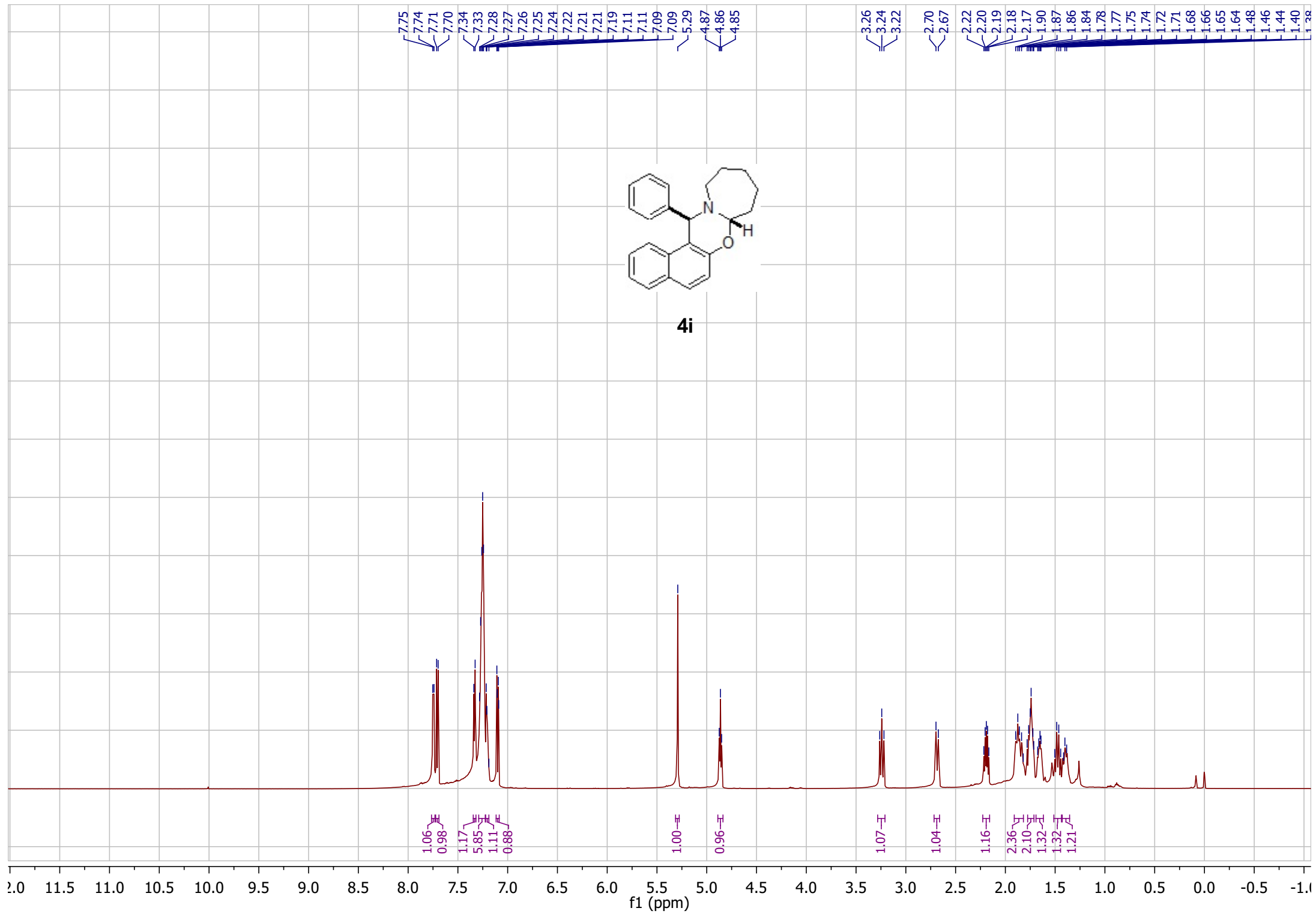


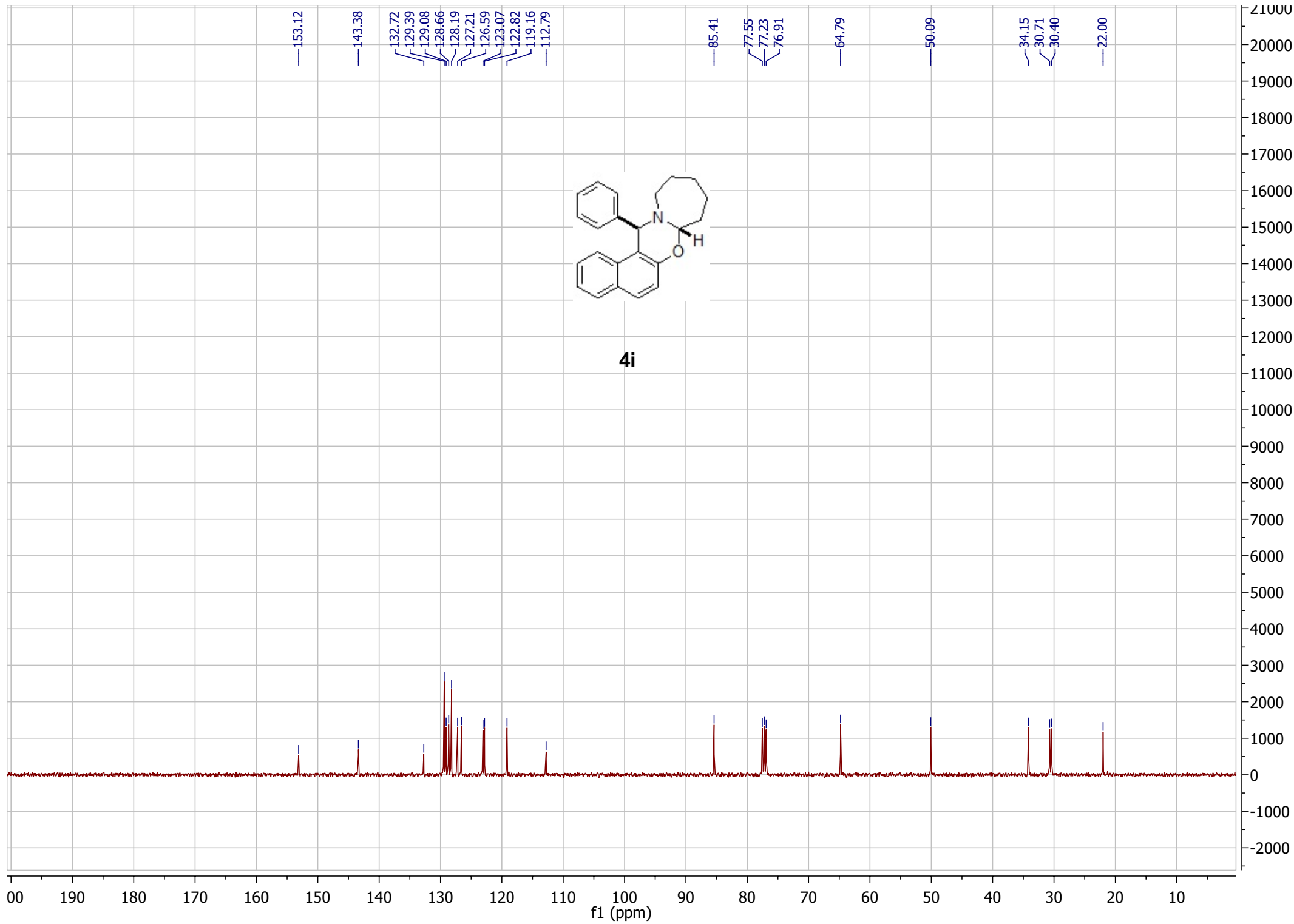


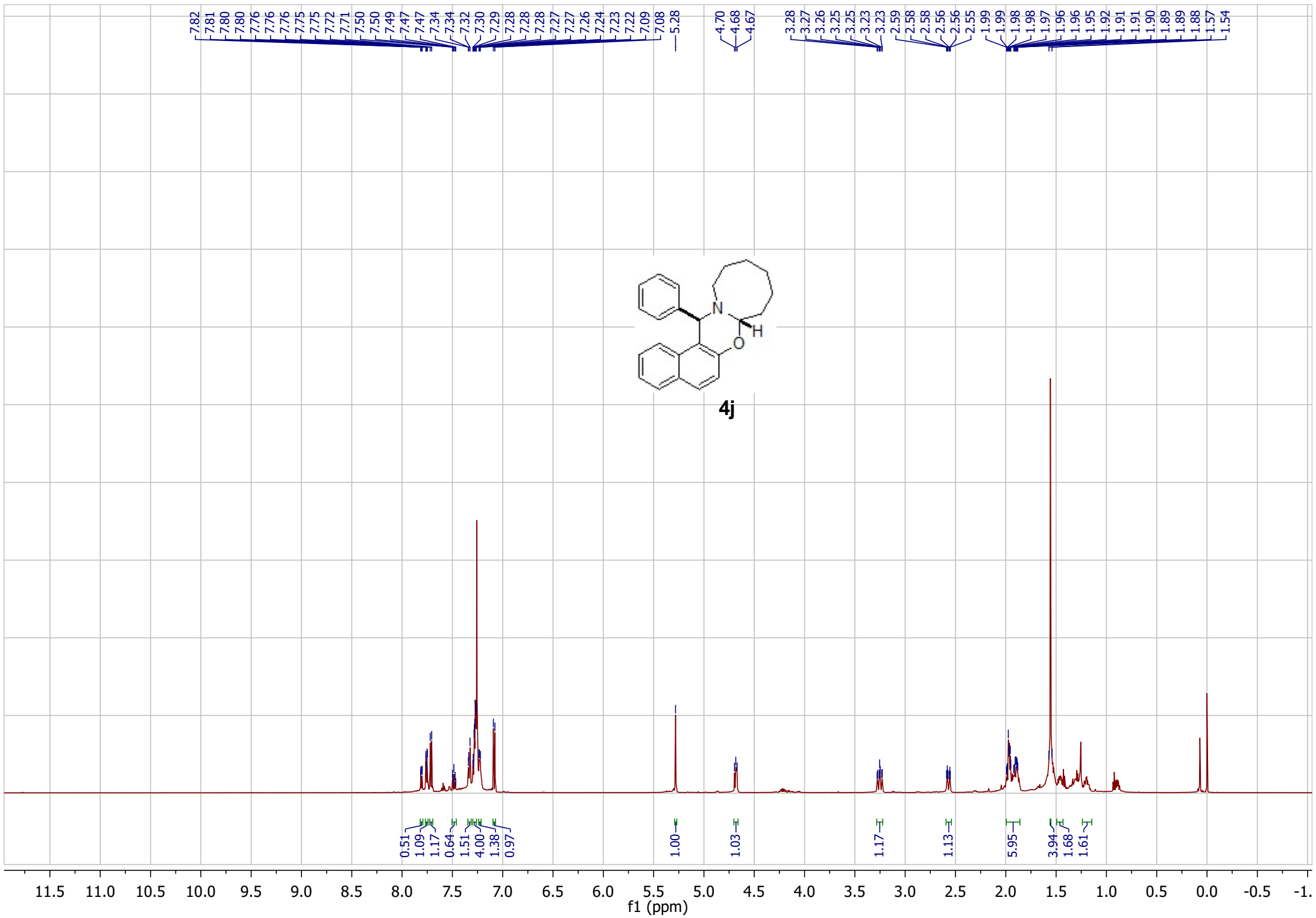




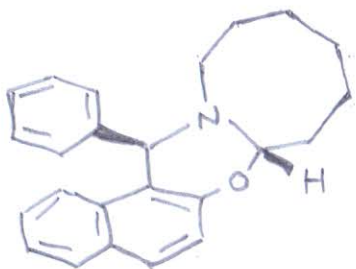
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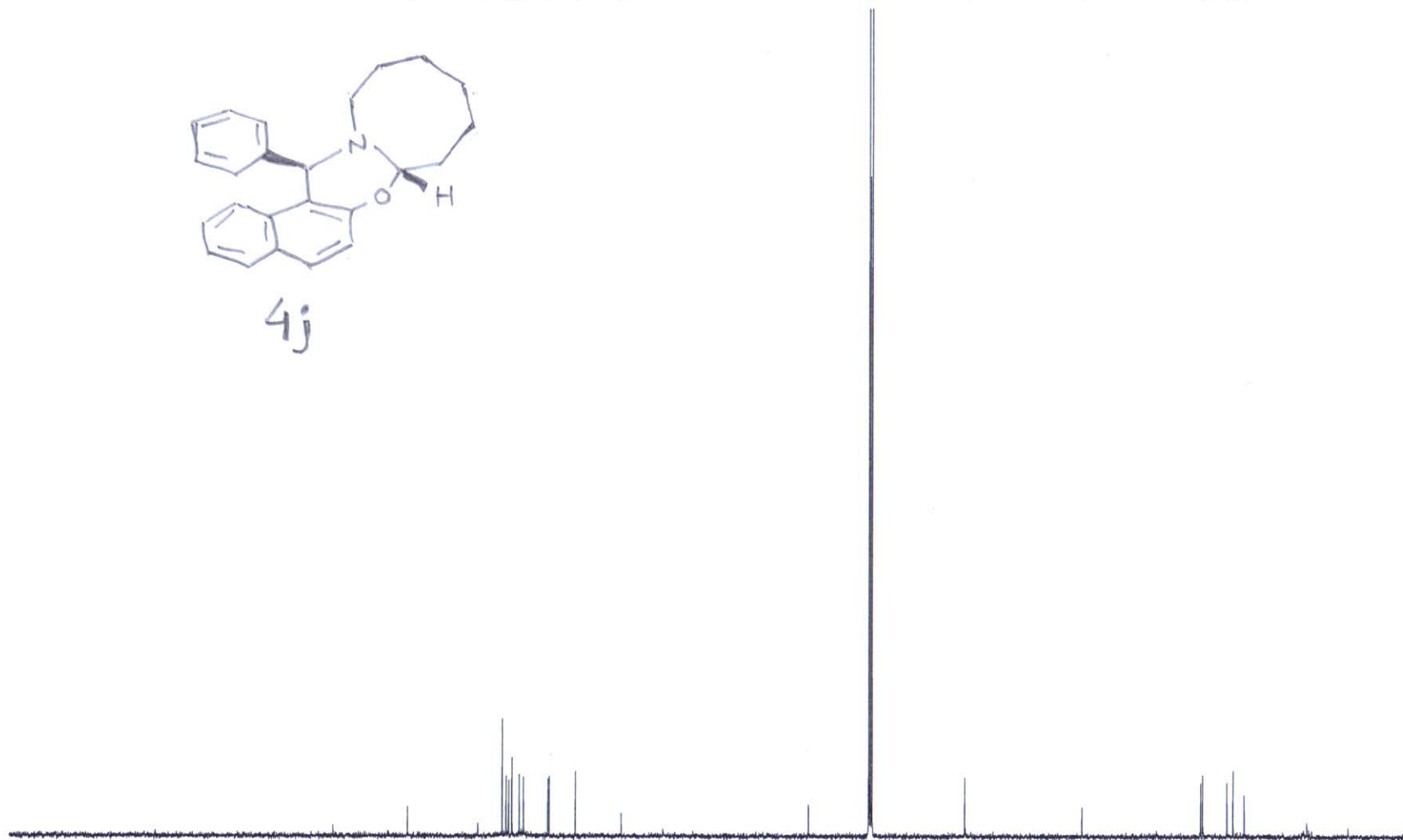




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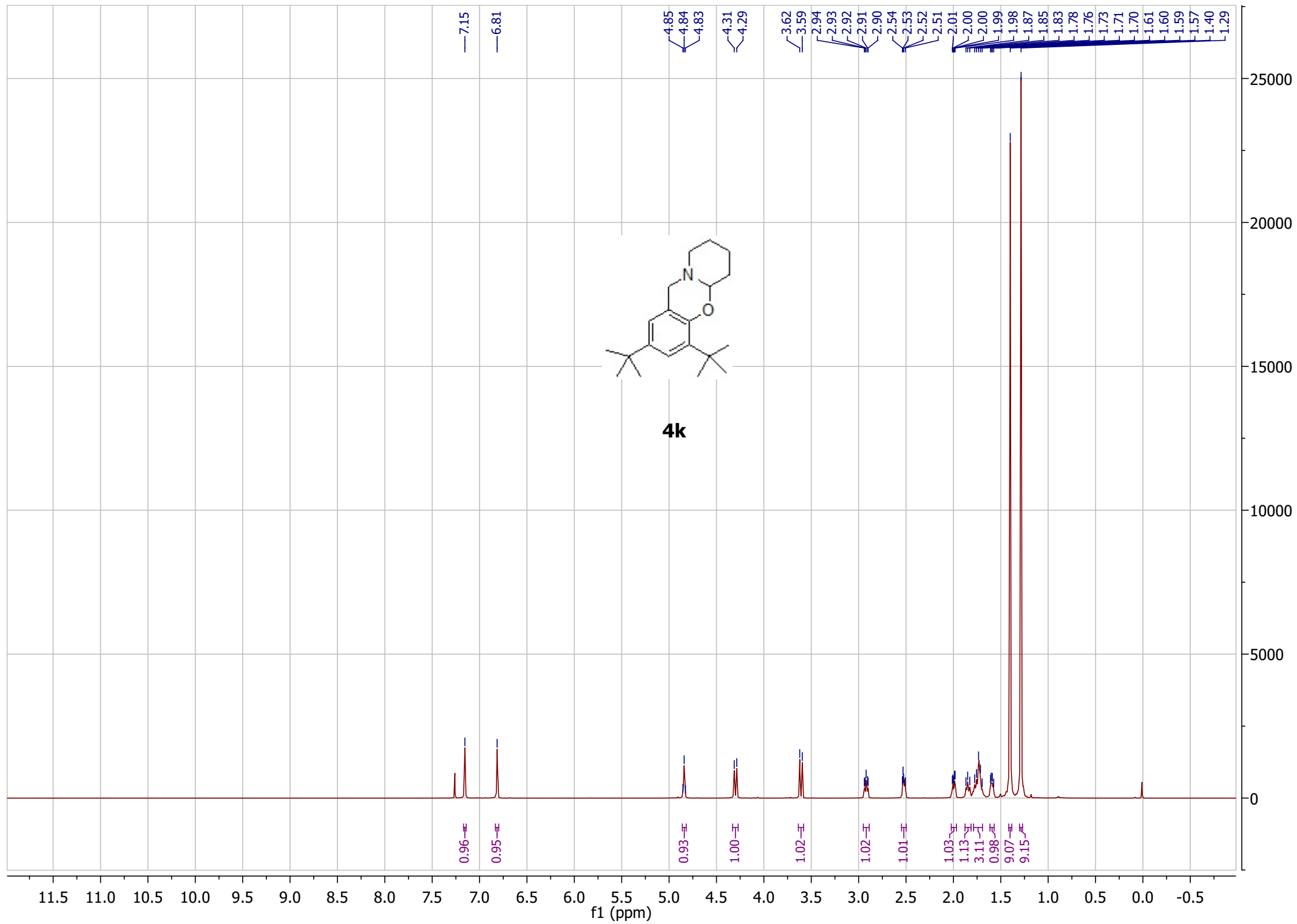
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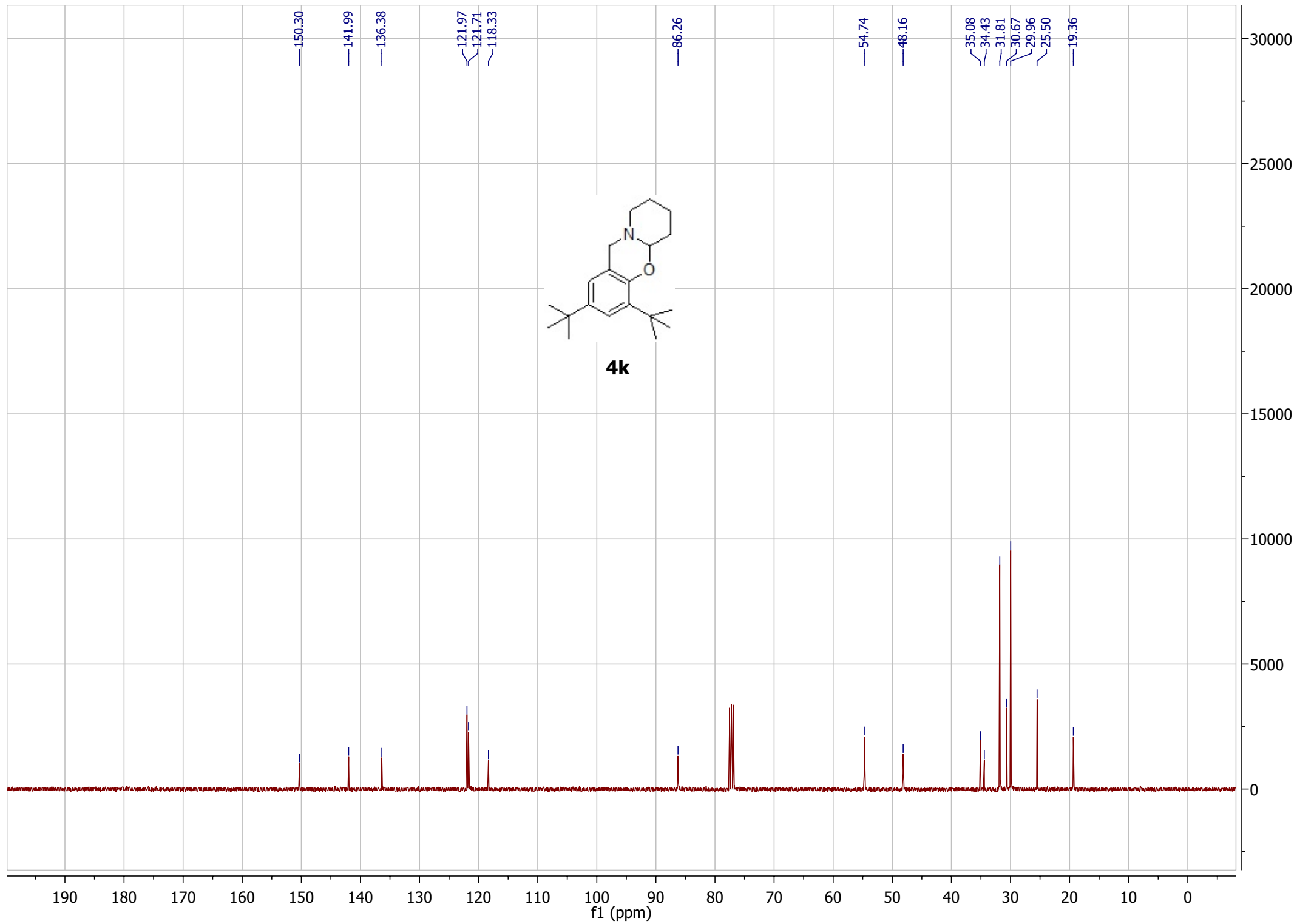
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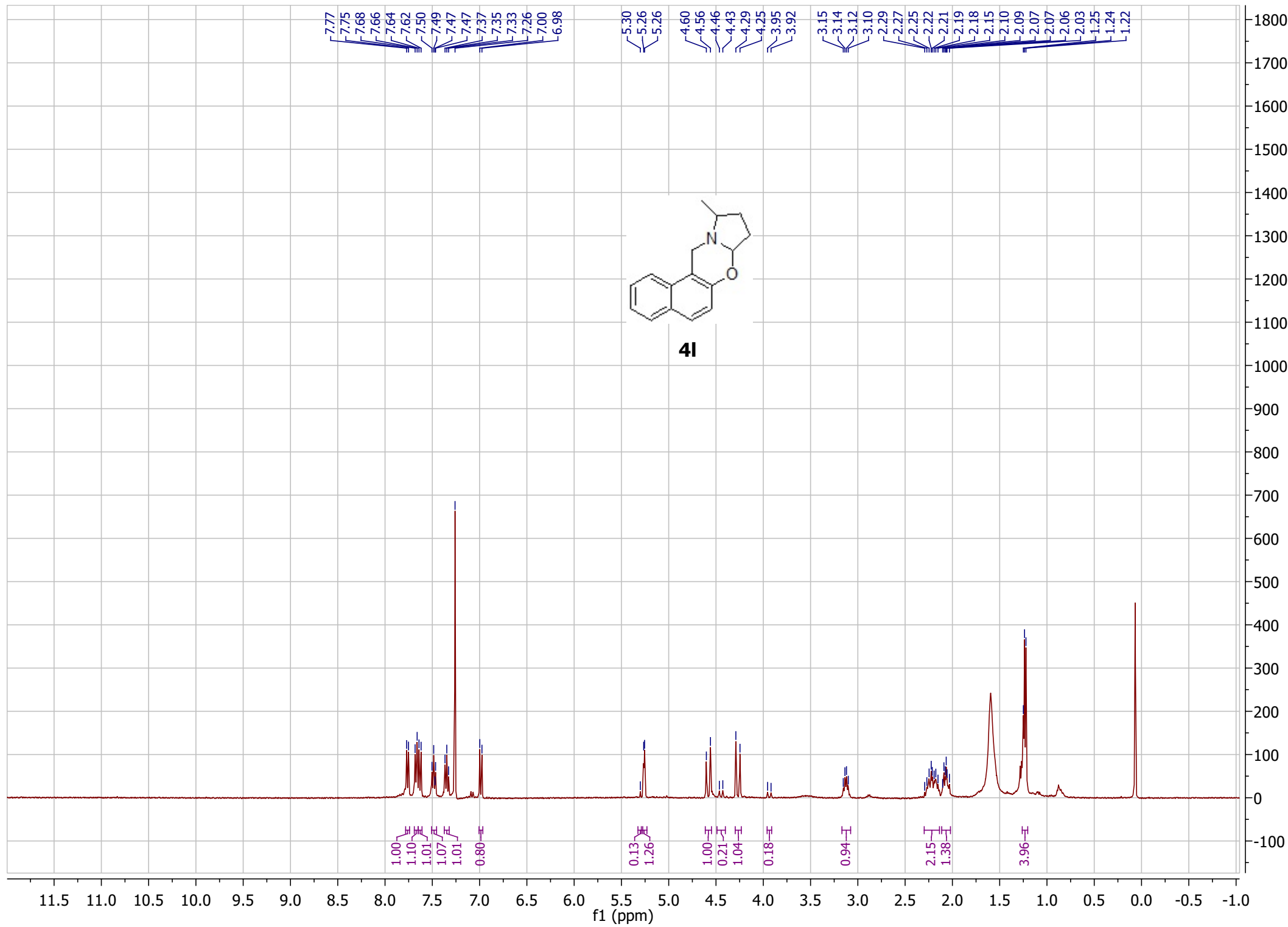
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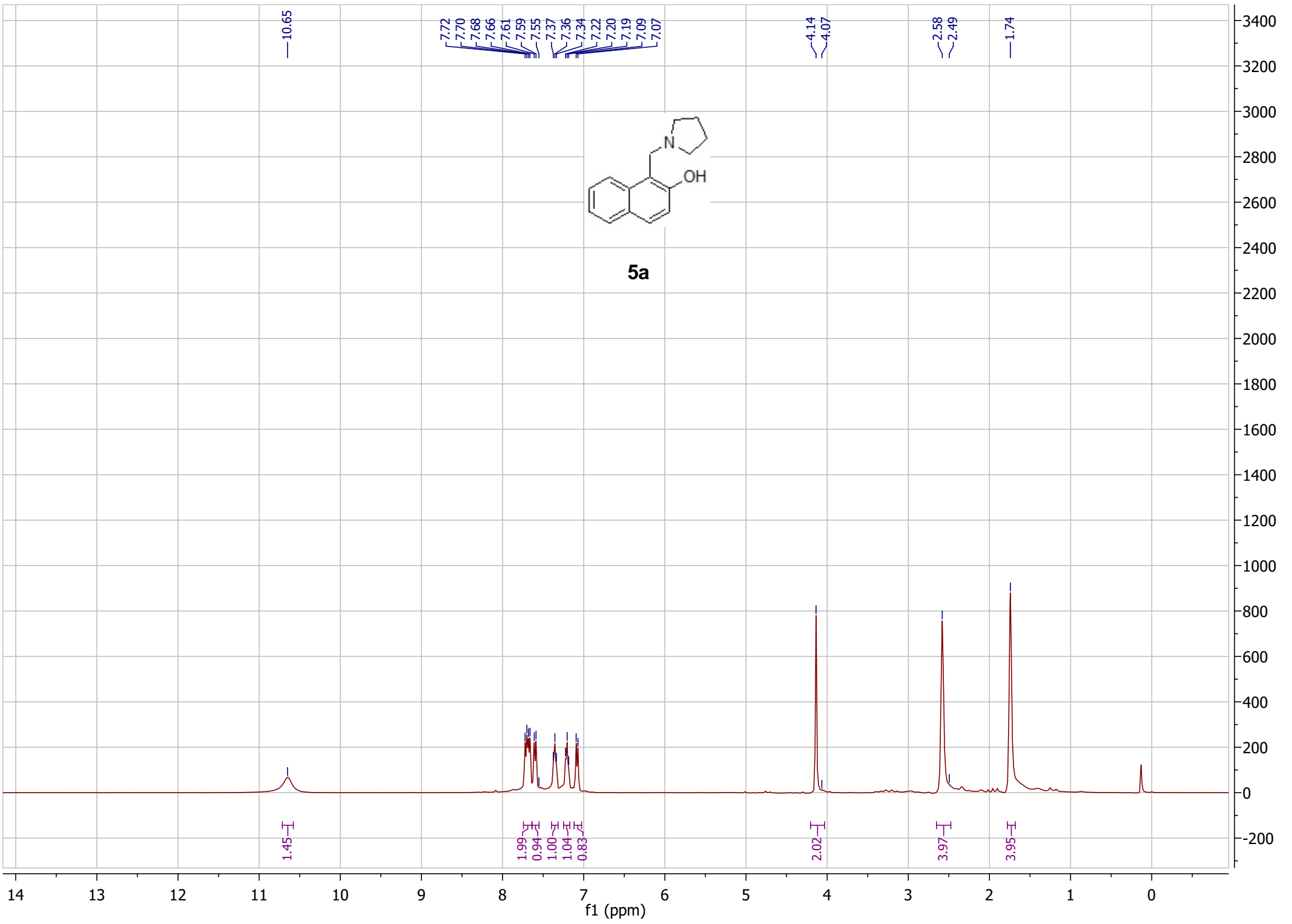
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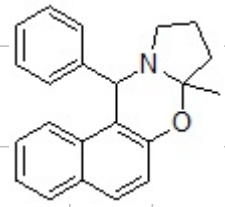
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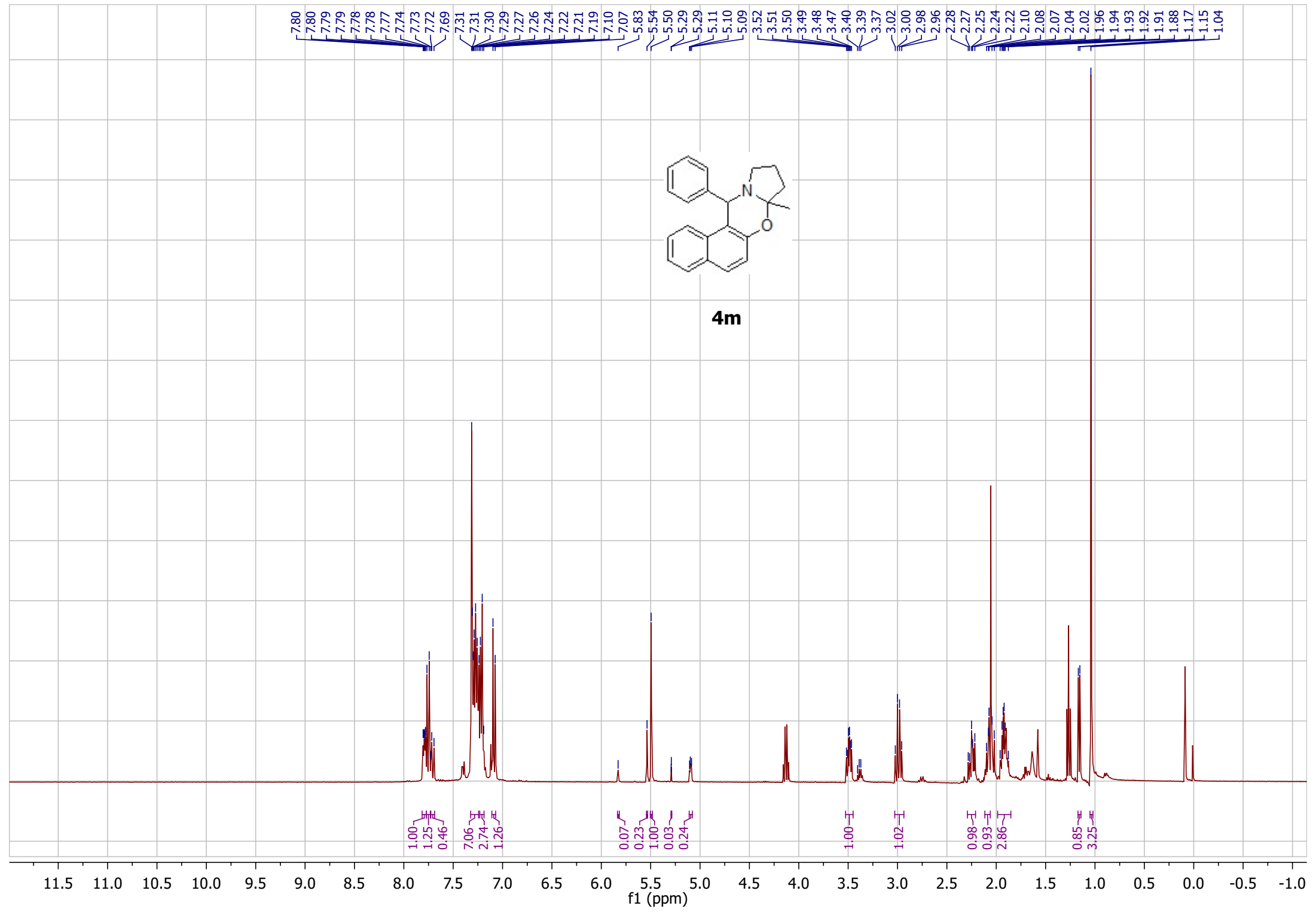


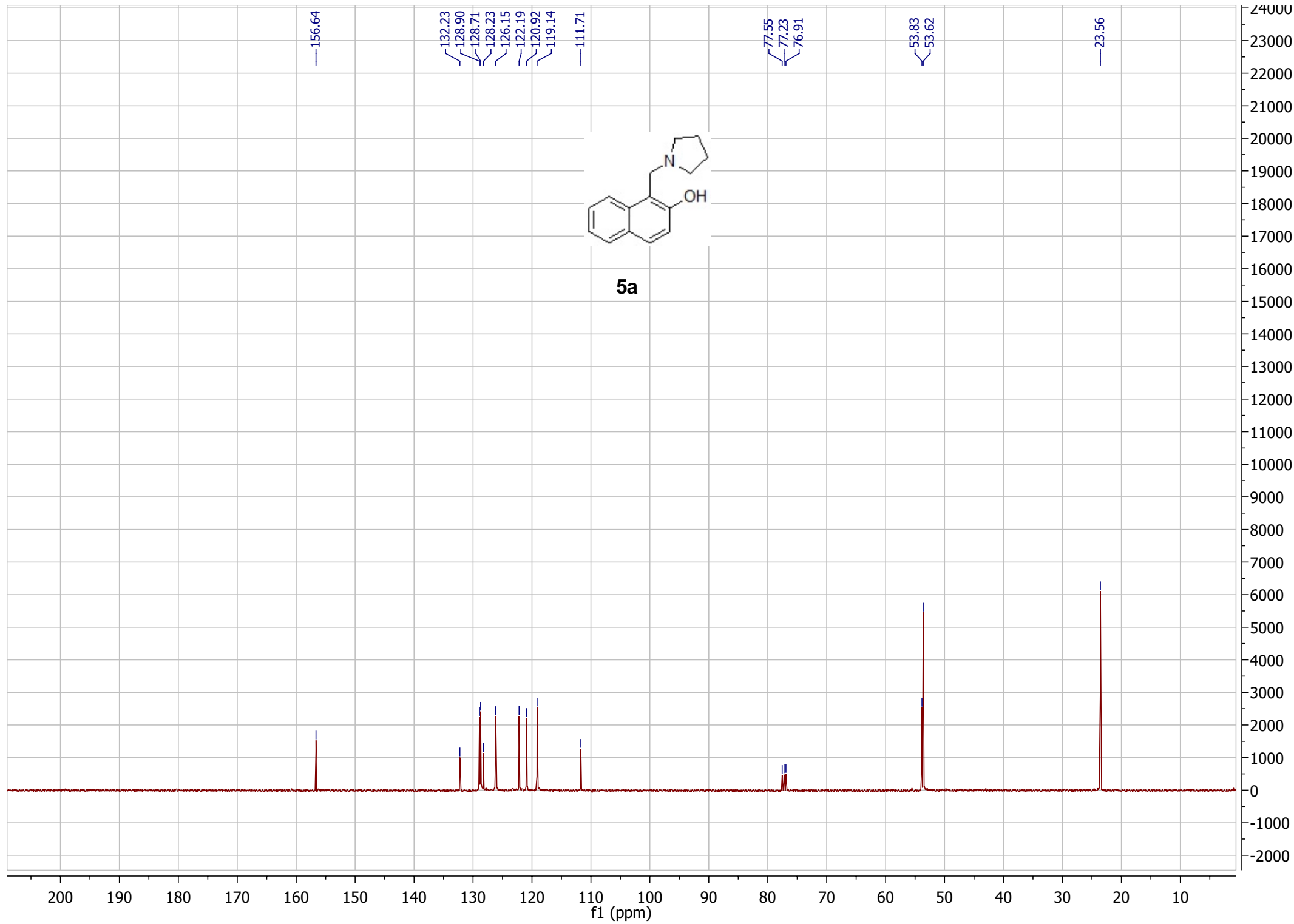






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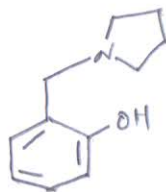
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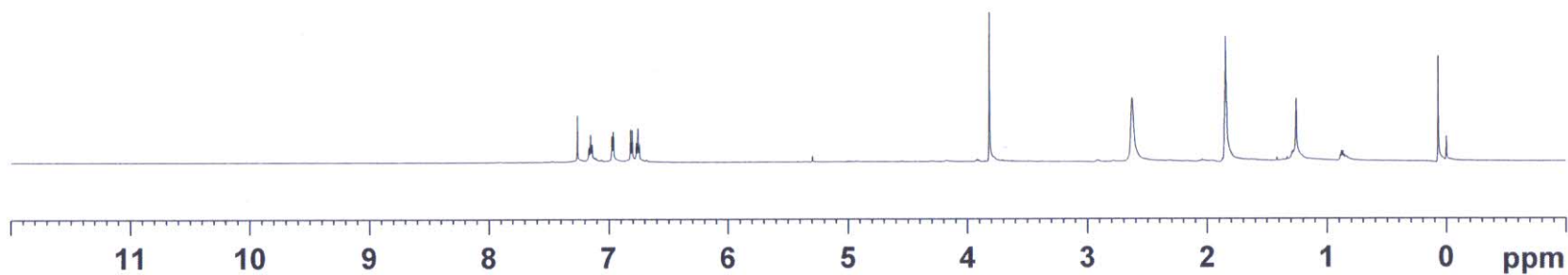
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TD0 1

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NUC1 1H
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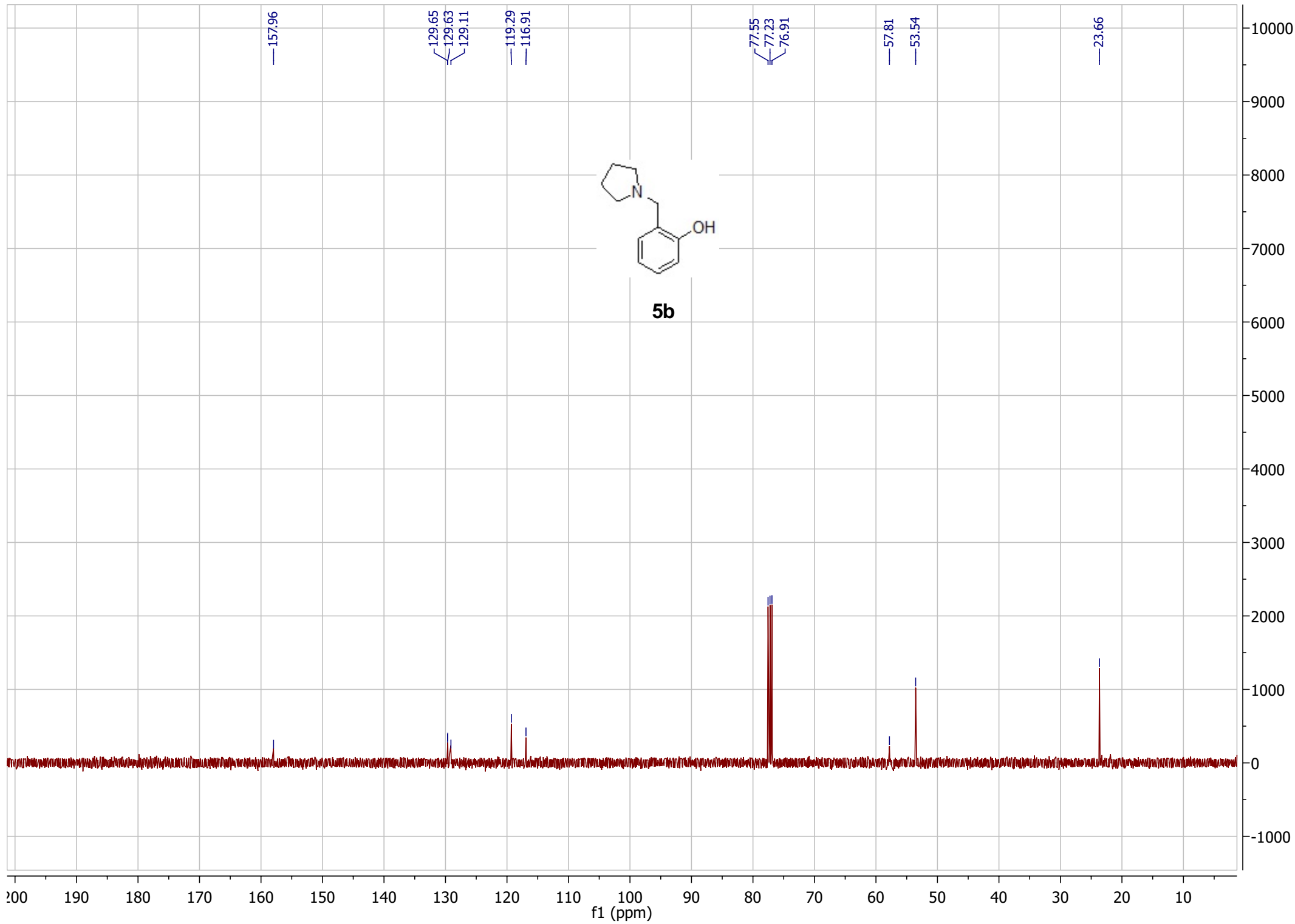


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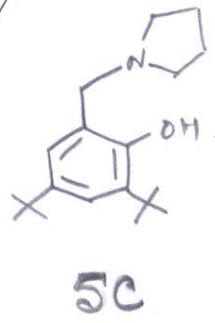
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CKJ-AH-2-08B-1H

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EXPNO 1
PROCNO 1

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Time 14.03
INSTRUM spect
PROBHD 5 mm PABBO BB/
PULPROG zg30
TD 32768
SOLVENT CDCl3
NS 16
DS 2
SWH 12019.230 Hz
FIDRES 0.366798 Hz
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RG 27.82
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TE 301.4 K
D1 1.00000000 sec
TD0 1

==== CHANNEL f1 =====
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NUC1 1H
P1 12.00 usec
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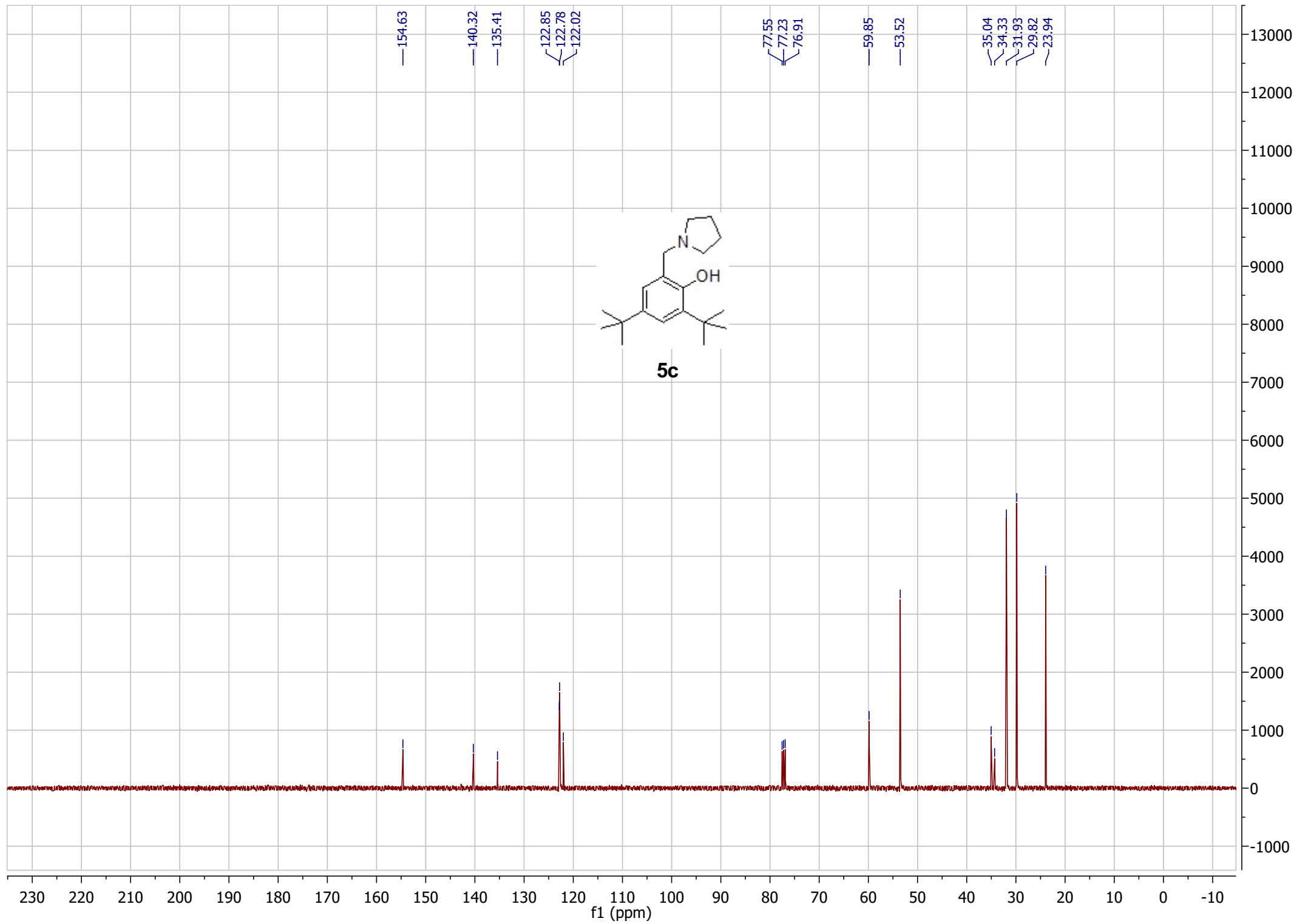
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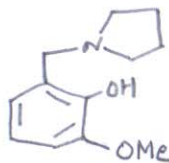
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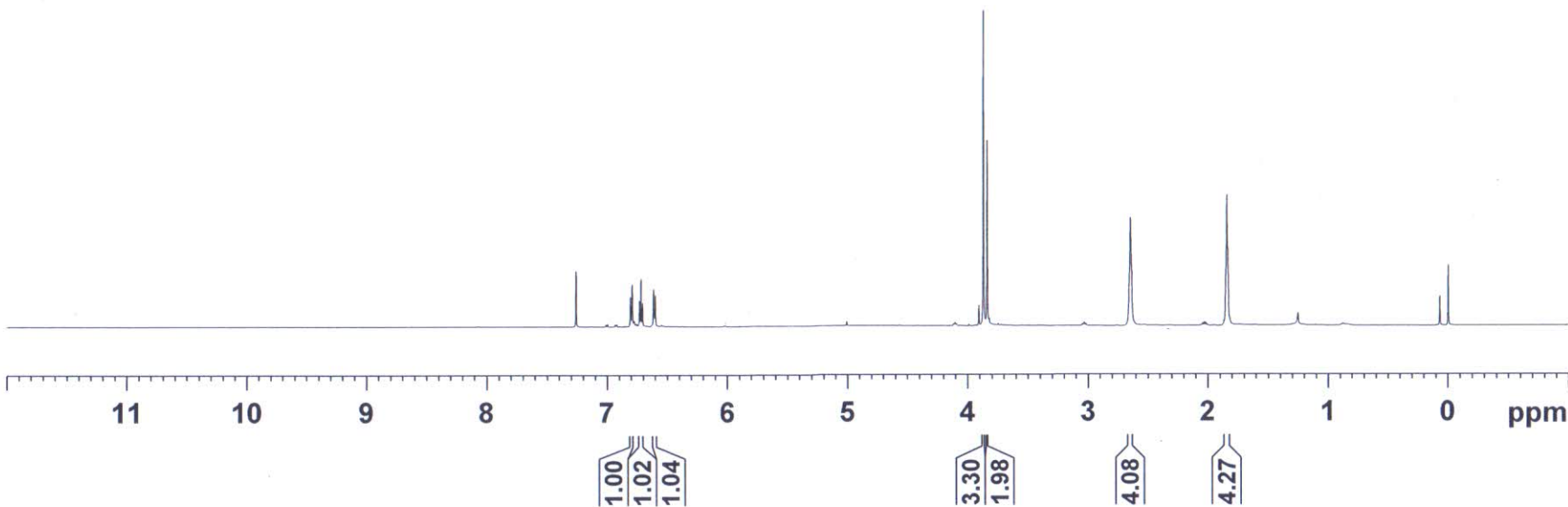
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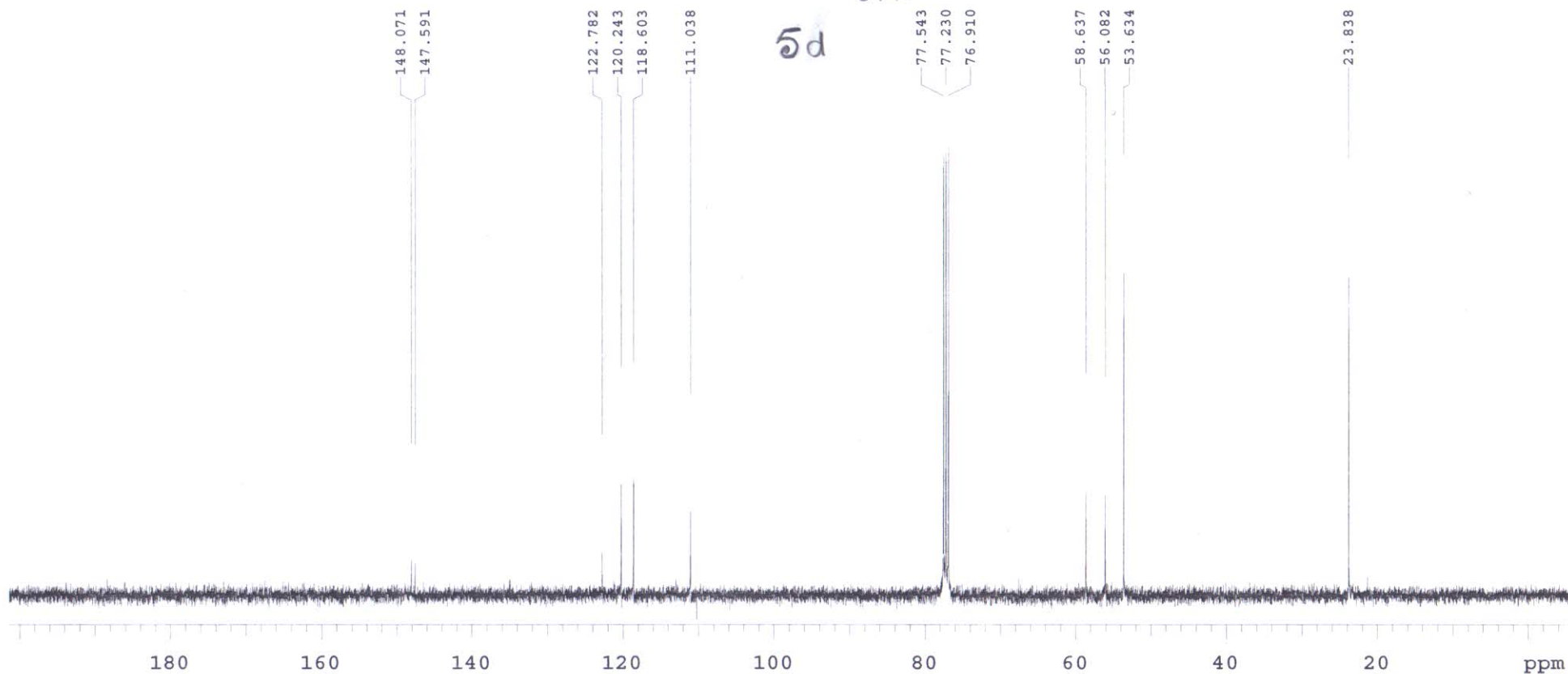
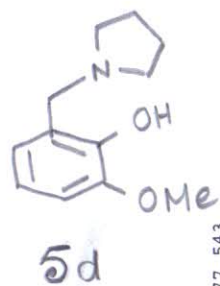
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EXPNO 1
PROCNO 1

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PULPROG zg30
TD 32768
SOLVENT CDC13
NS 16
DS 2
SWH 12019.230 Hz
FIDRES 0.366798 Hz
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TE 299.0 K
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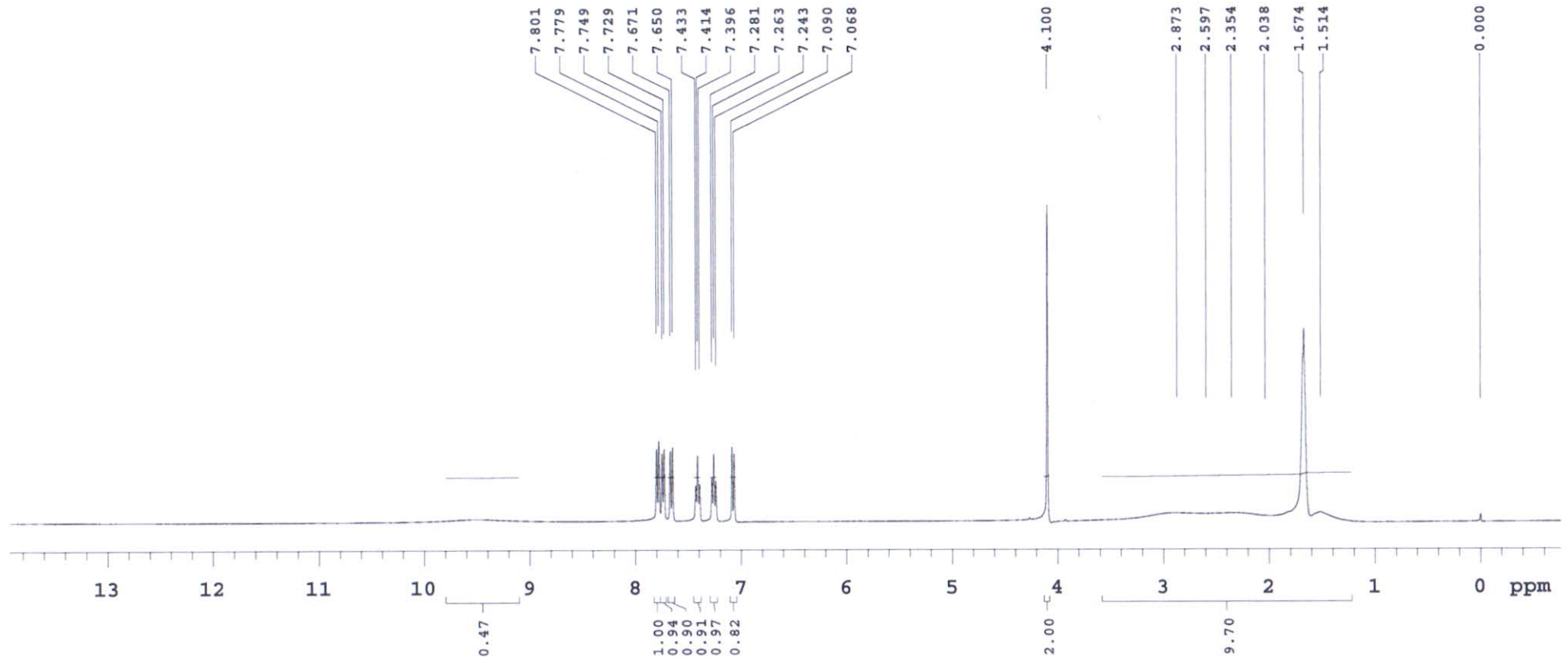
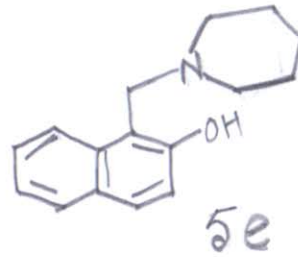
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F2 - Processing parameters
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WDW EM
SSB 0
LB 0.30 Hz
GB 0
PC 1.00





PULSE SEQUENCE Relax delay 1.000 sec Pulse 45.0 degrees Acq. time 1.304 sec Width 25125.6 Hz 2044 repetitions	OBSERVE C13, 100.5425817 DECOUPLE H1, 399.8529994 Power 42.0 dB continuously on WALTZ-16 modulated	DATA PROCESSING Line broadening 0.5 Hz FT size 65536 Total time 78 minutes	CKJ-AH-2-09D2-13C Solvent: cdcl3 Temp. 25.0 C / 298.1 K Operator: chem Mercury-400 "IITG-NMR"
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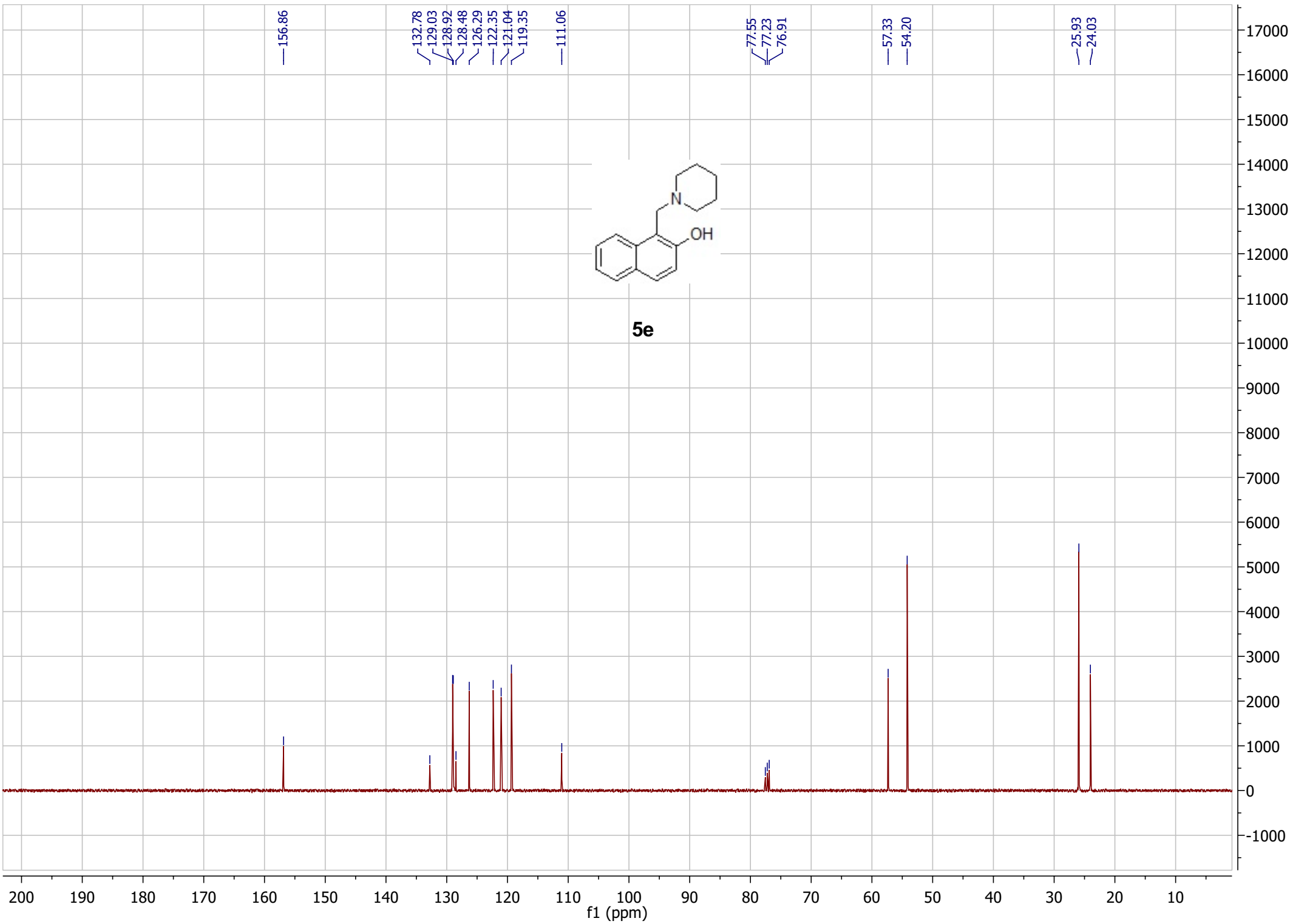
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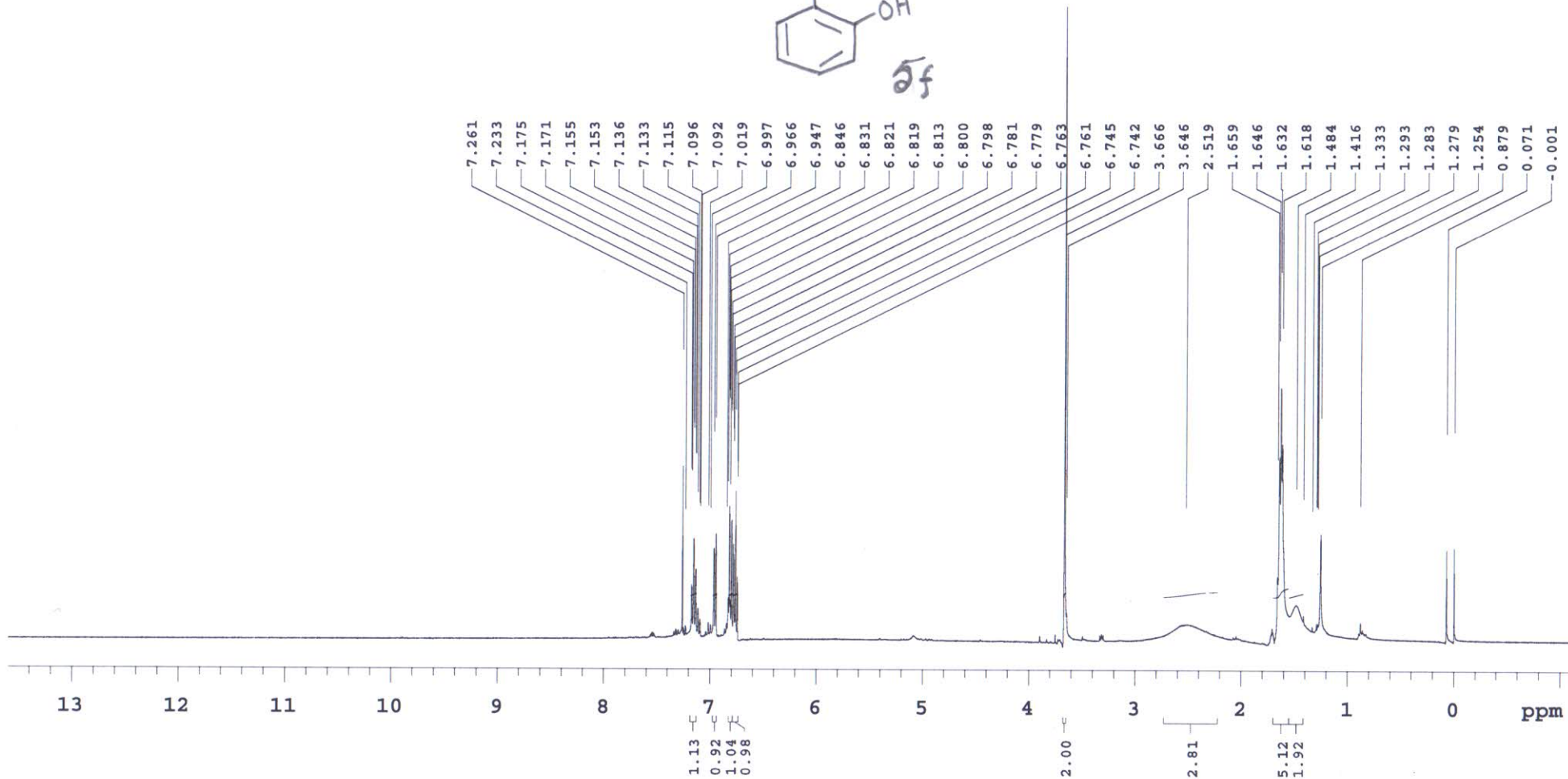
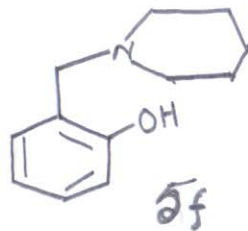
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DATA PROCESSING
 FT size 65536
 Total time 1 minutes

CKJ-AH-2-11

Solvent: cdcl3
 Temp. 25.0 C / 298.1 K
 Operator: chem
 File: CKJ-AH-2-11
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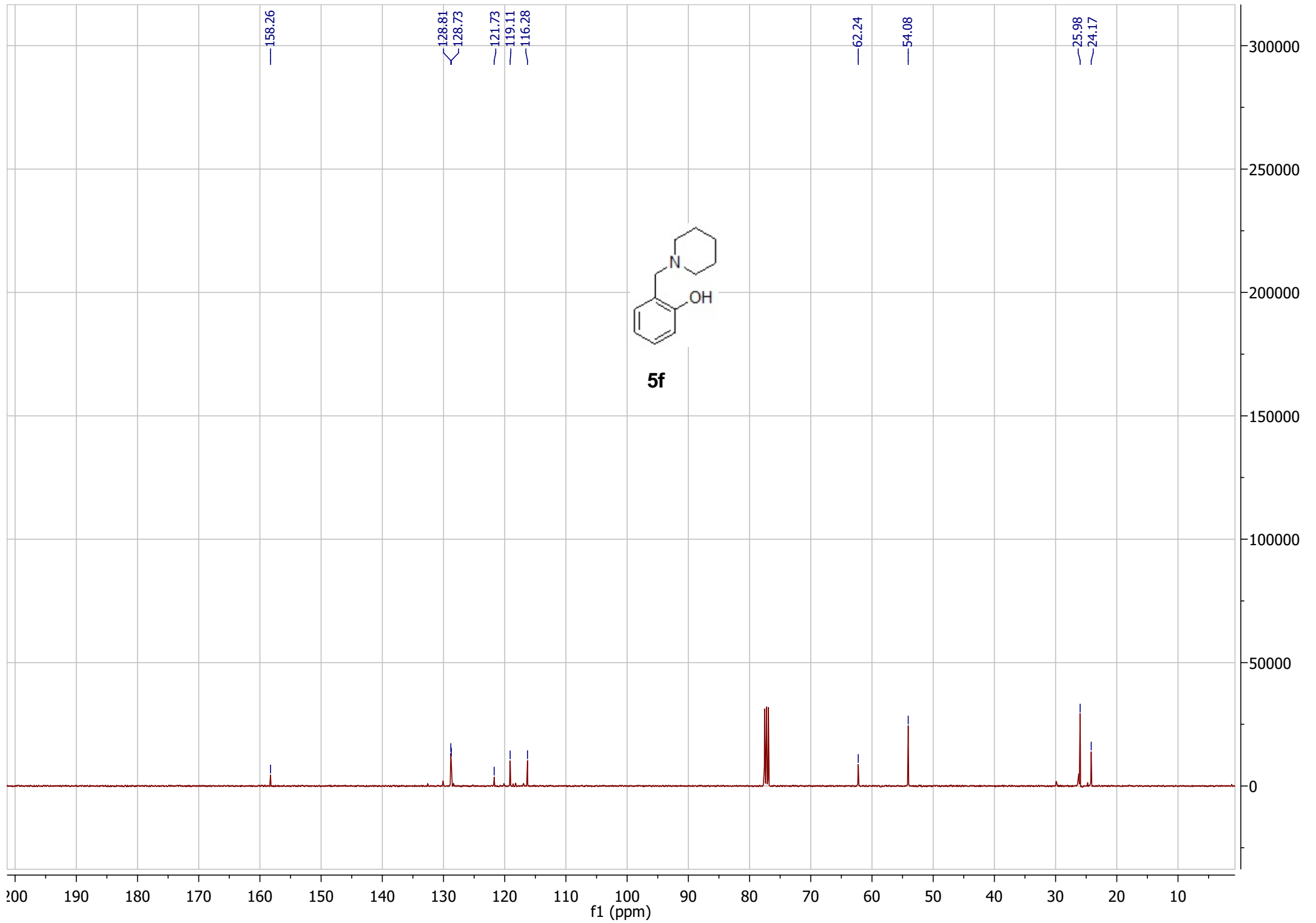
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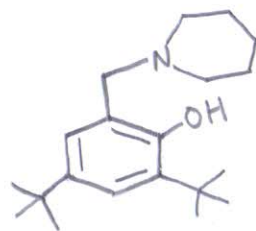
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 Total time 1 minutes

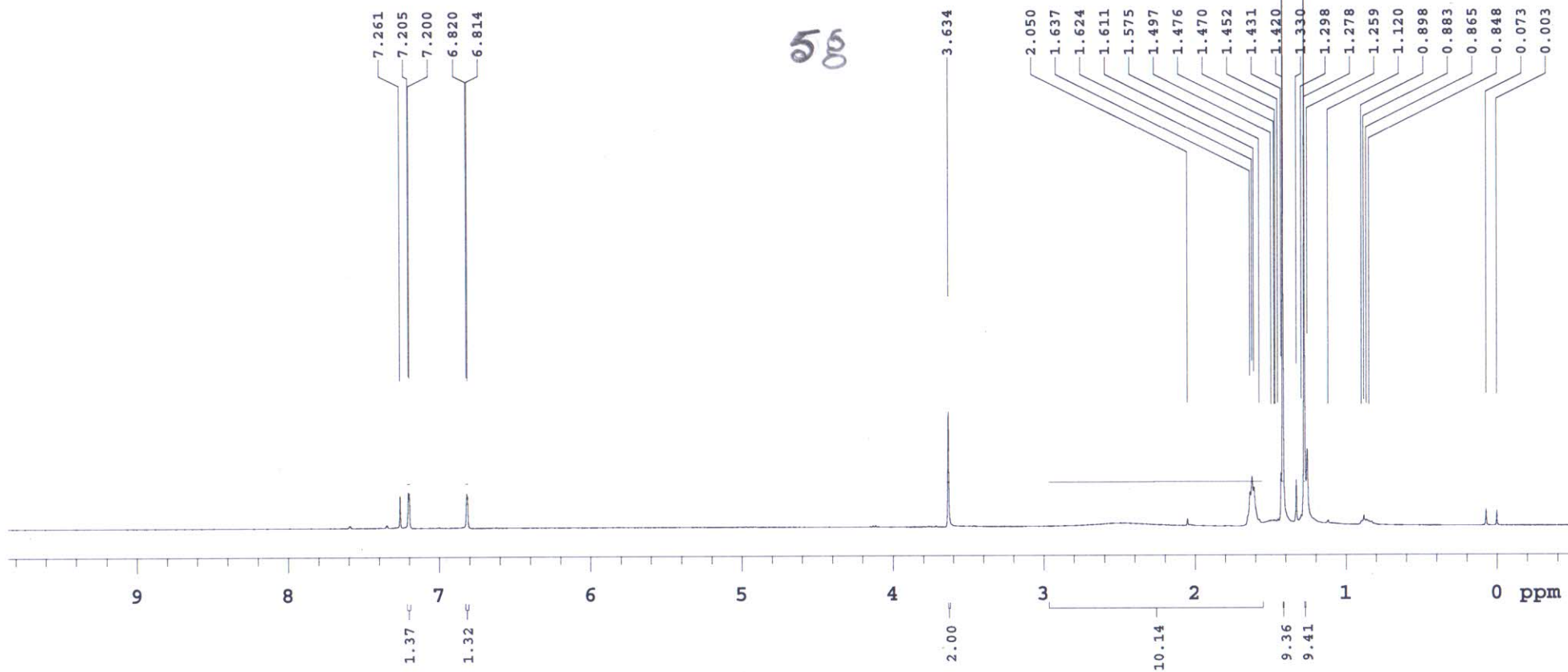
CKJ-AH-2-12C

Solvent: cdcl3
 Temp. 25.0 C / 298.1 K
 Operator: chem
 File: CKJ-AH-2-12C
 Mercury-400 "IITG-NMR"





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PULSE SEQUENCE

Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 2.561 sec
Width 6398.0 Hz
32 repetitions

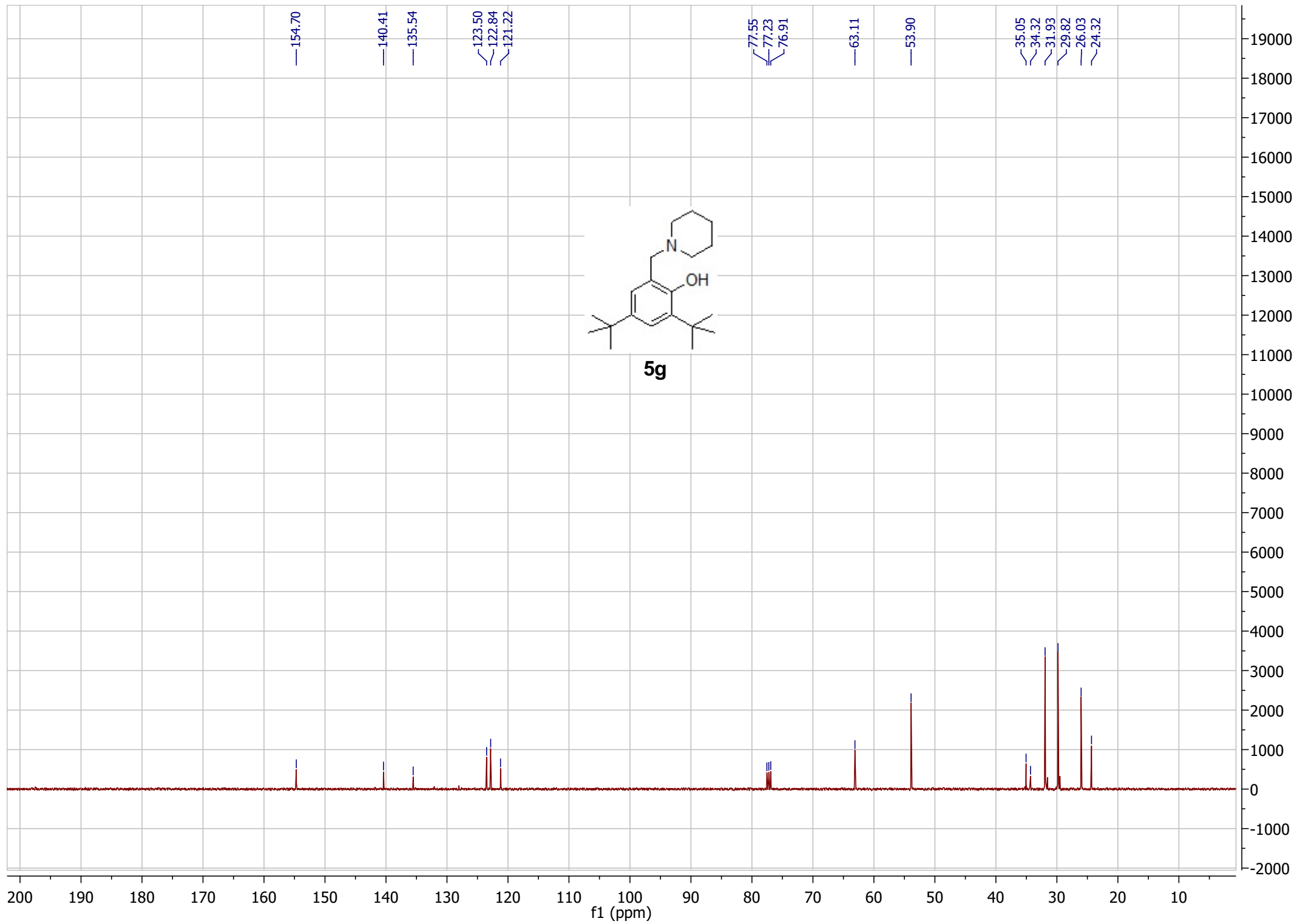
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DATA PROCESSING

FT size 32768
Total time 1 minutes

CKJ-AH-2-13A

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Temp. 25.0 C / 298.1 K
Operator: chem
File: CKJ-AH-2-13A
Mercury-400 "IITG-NMR"



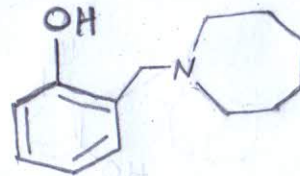
CKJ-AH-2-16C-1H

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6.936
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6.810
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6.757
6.745

3.780

2.708

1.698
1.690
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1.634



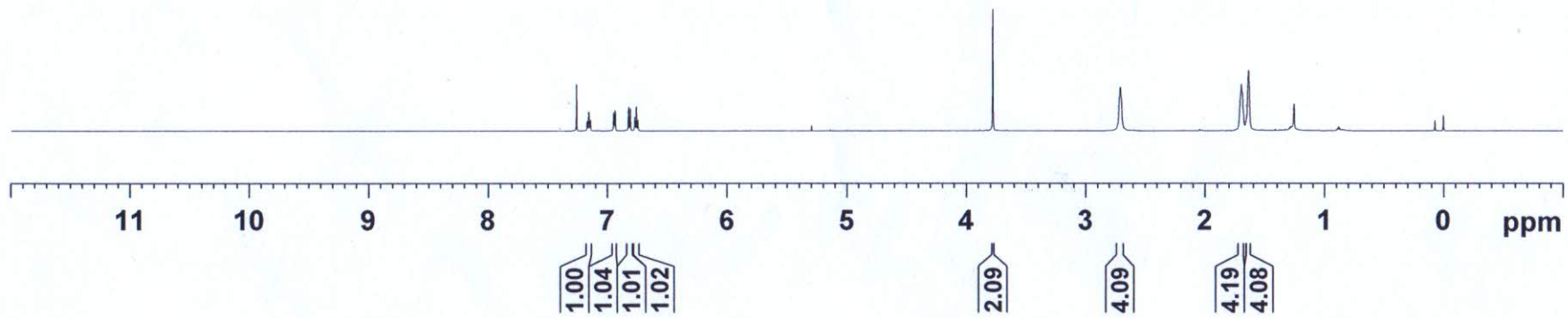
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Current Data Parameters
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EXPNO 1
PROCNO 1

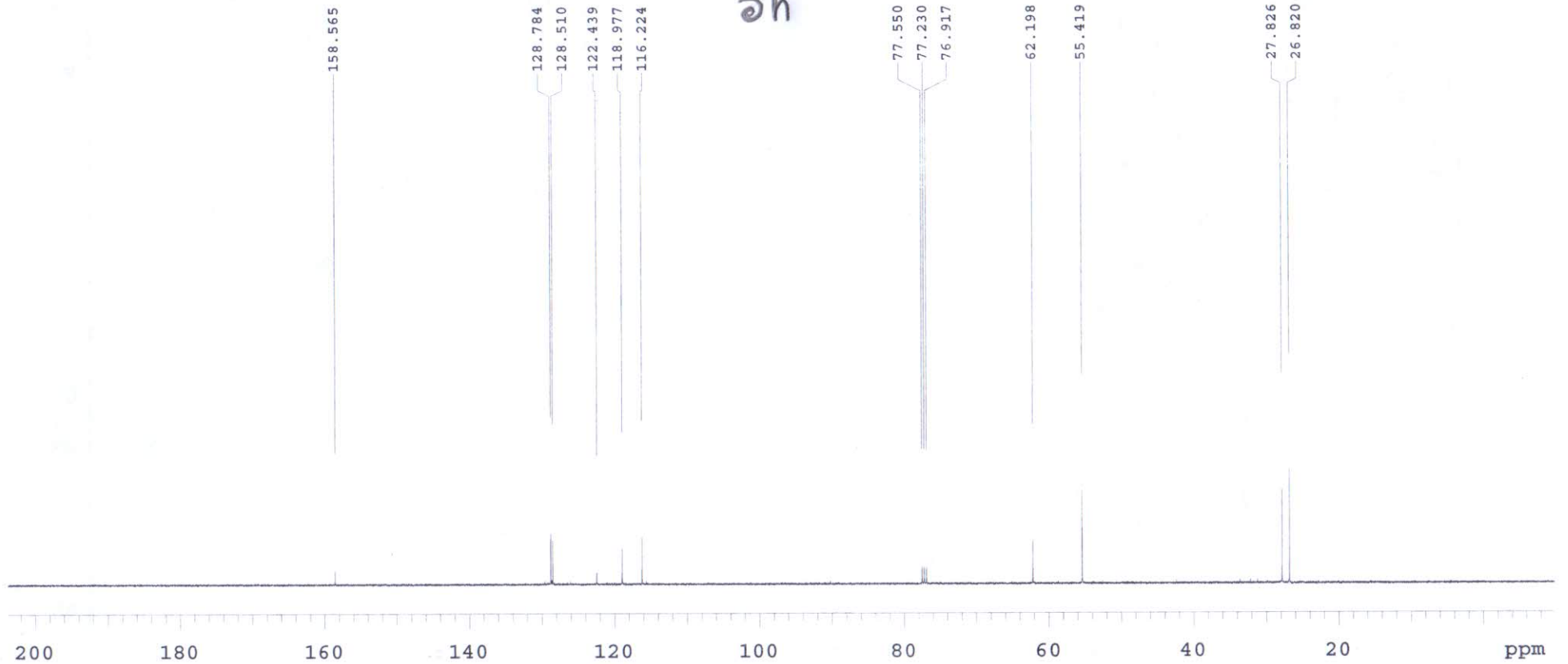
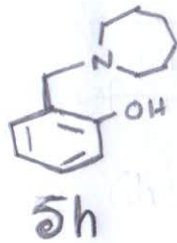
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TD 32768
SOLVENT CDCl3
NS 16
DS 2
SWH 12019.230 Hz
FIDRES 0.366798 Hz
AQ 1.3631488 sec
RG 99.36
DW 41.600 usec
DE 6.50 usec
TE 301.8 K
D1 1.00000000 sec
TDO 1

===== CHANNEL f1 =====
SFO1 600.1737063 MHz
NUC1 1H
P1 12.00 usec
PLW1 21.00000000 W

F2 - Processing parameters
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SSB 0
LB 0.30 Hz
GB 0
PC 1.00



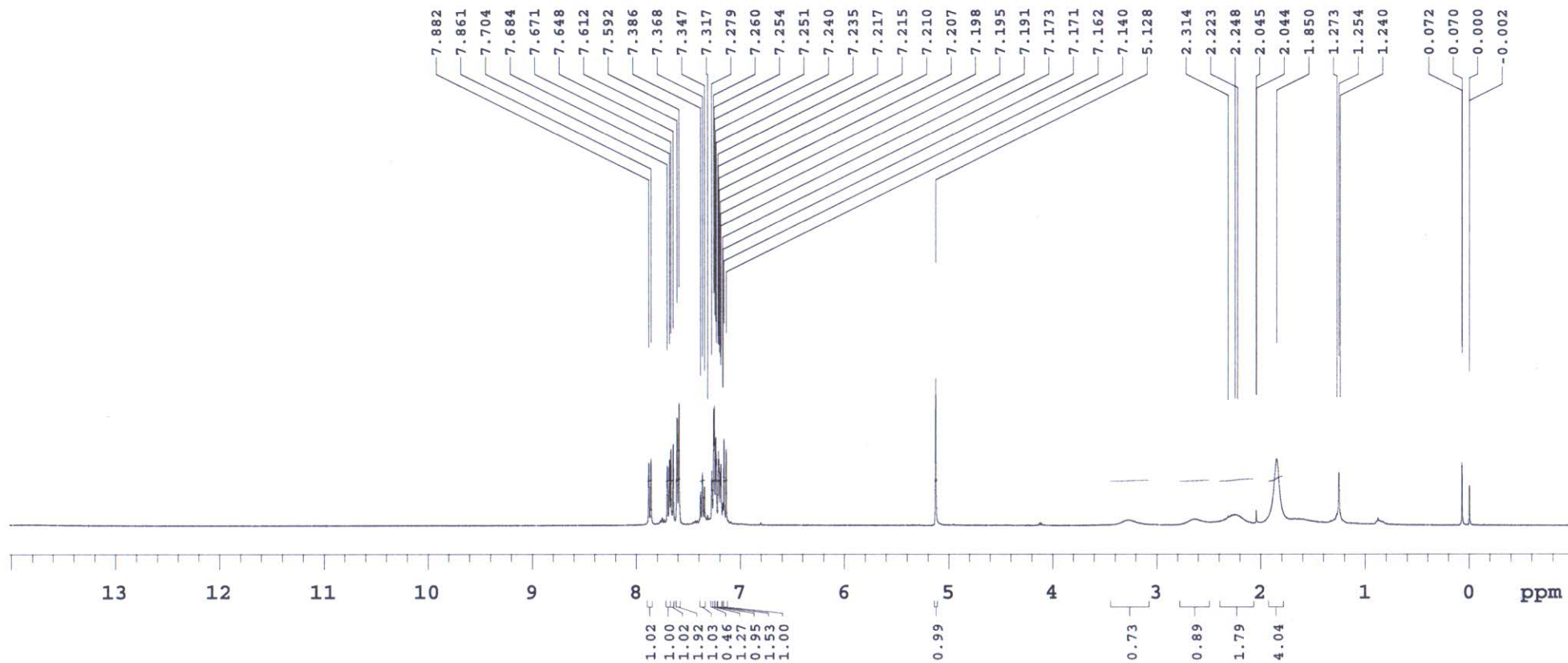
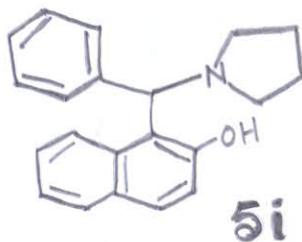
CKJ-AH-2-180



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Pulse 45.0 degrees Power 42 dB
Acq. time 1.304 sec continuously on
Width 25125.6 Hz WALTZ-16 modulated
384 repetitions

DATA PROCESSING: CKJ-AH-2-16C-13C
Line broadening 0.5 Hz
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Total time 14 minutes

Solvent: Cdc13
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Operator: chem
Mercury-400 "IITG-NMR"

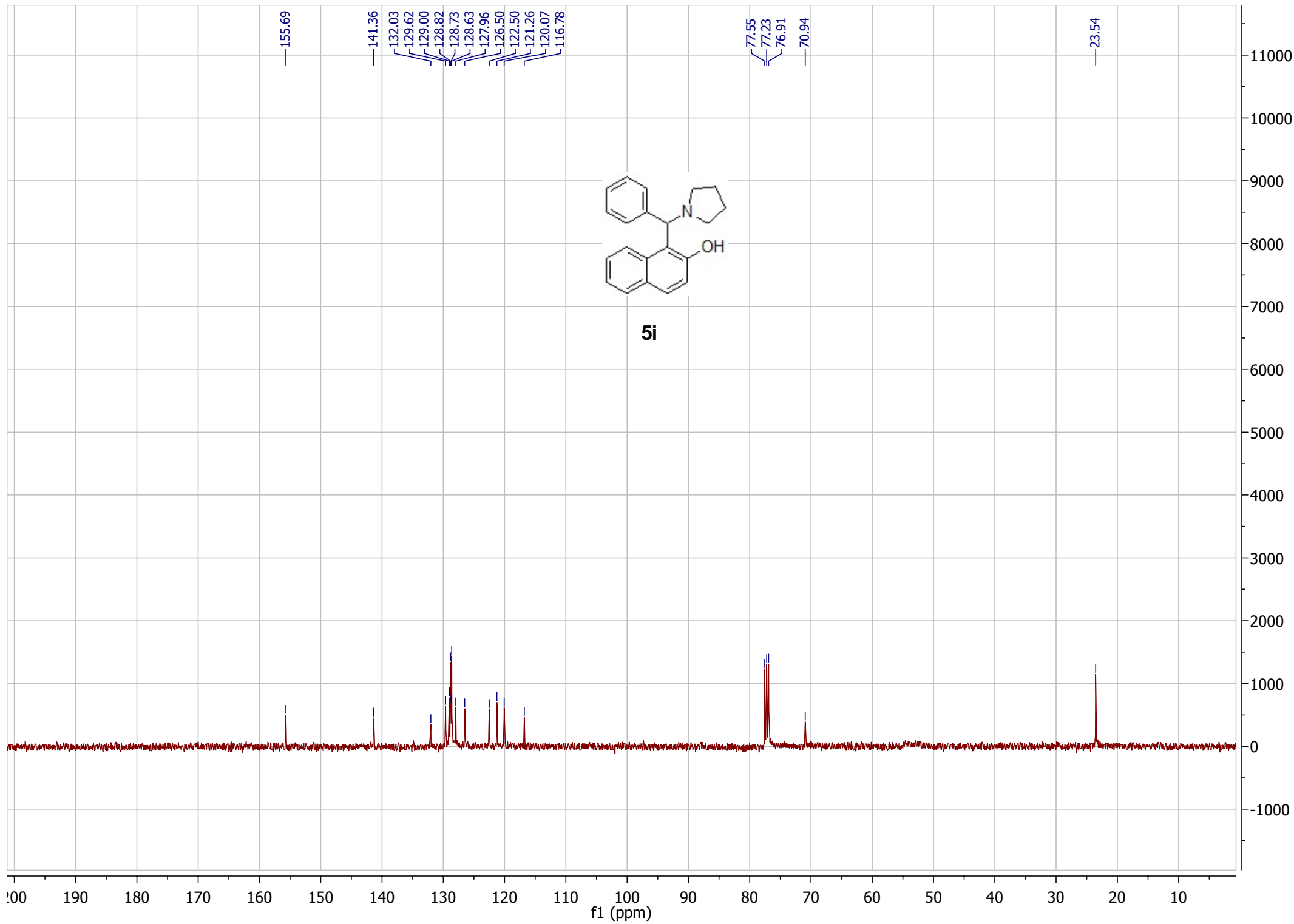


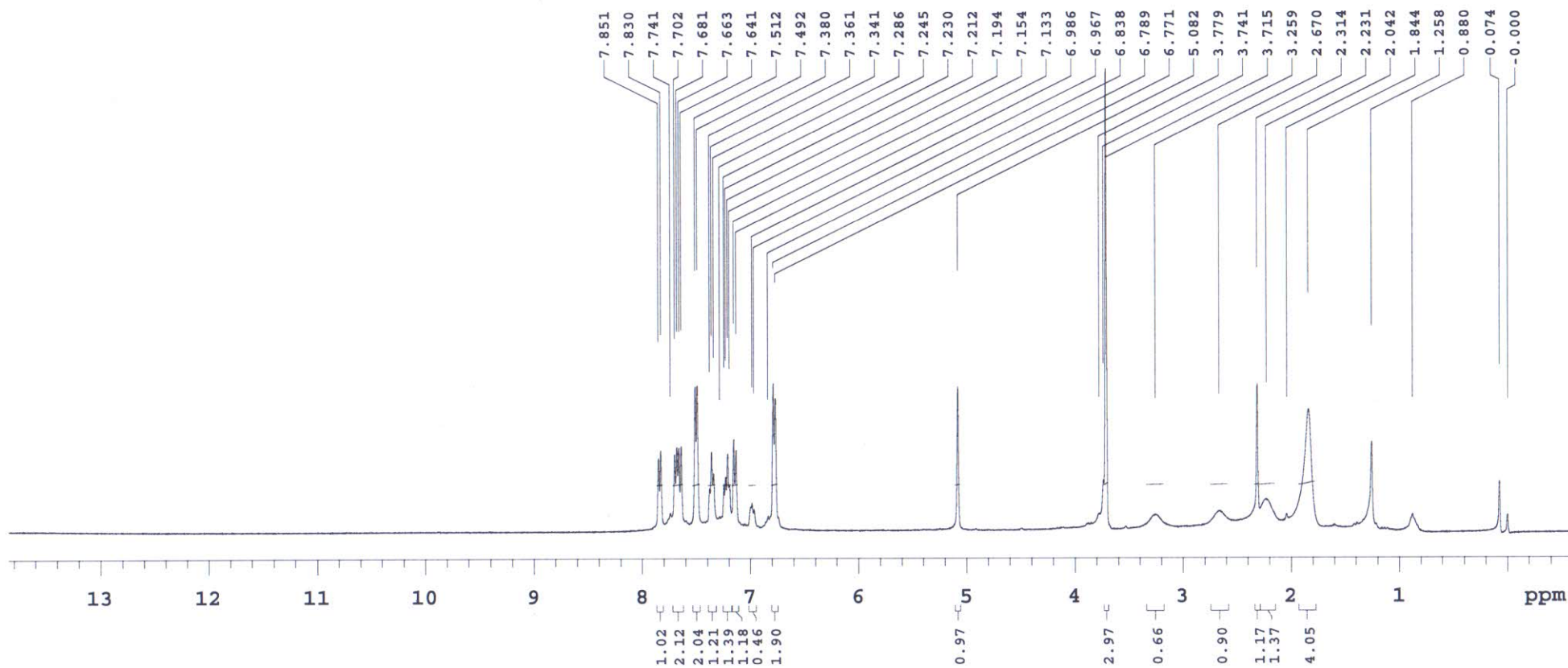
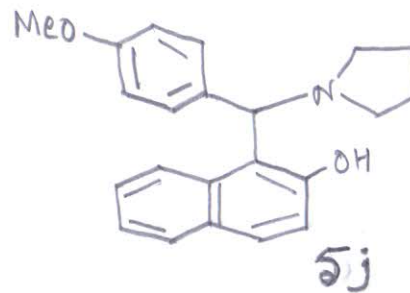
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 Pulse 45.0 degrees
 Acq. time 2.561 sec
 Width 8000.0 Hz
 32 repetitions

OBSERVE H1, 399.8509667

DATA PROCESSING
 FT size 65536
 Total time 1 minutes

CKJ-AH-2-10C
 Solvent: cdcl3
 Temp. 25.0 C / 298.1 K
 Operator: chem
 File: CKJ-AH-2-10C
 Mercury-400 "IITG-NMR"





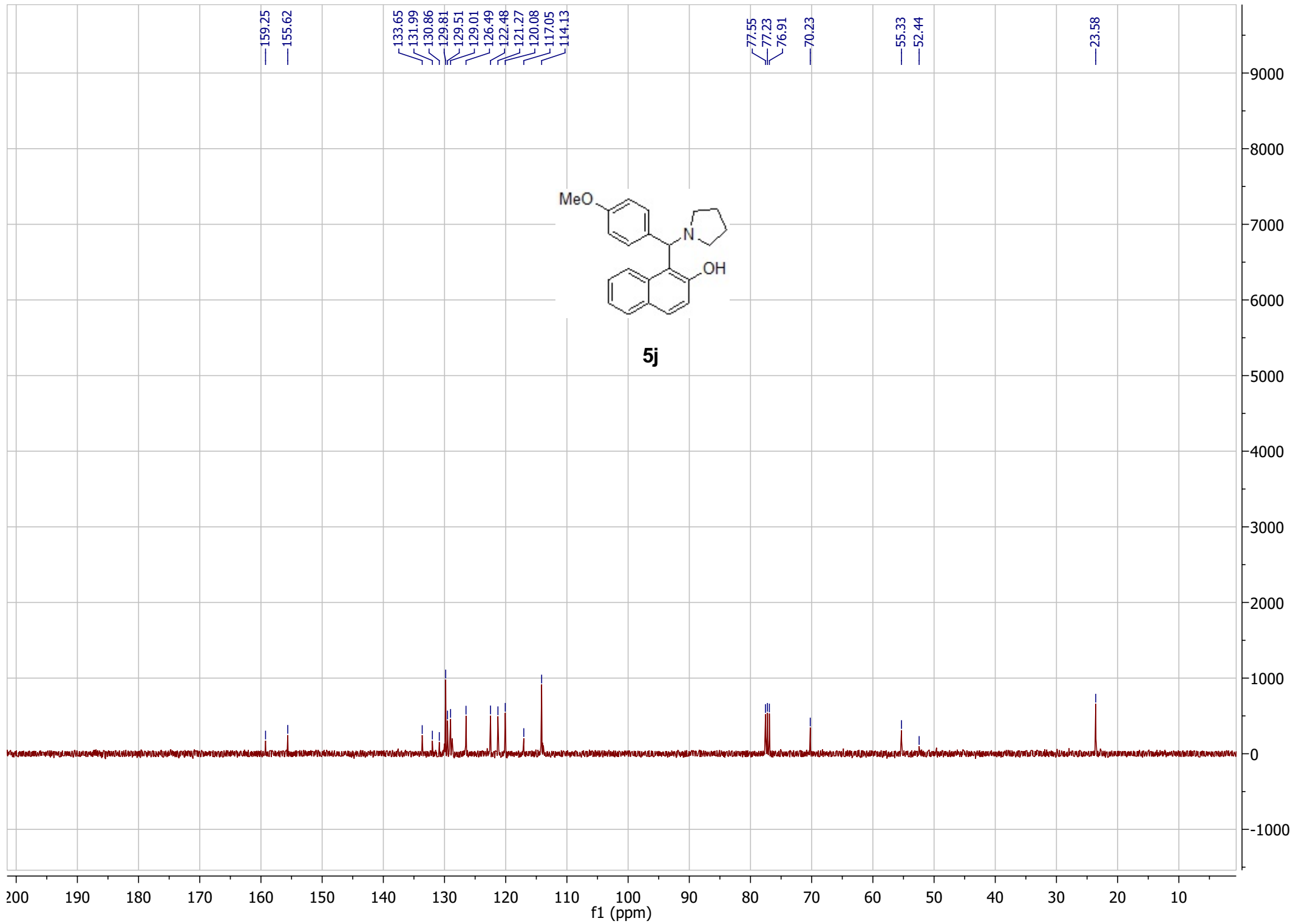
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Width 10000.0 Hz
32 repetitions

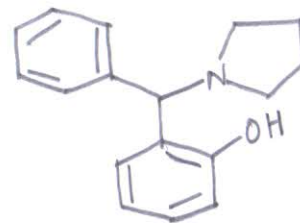
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DATA PROCESSING
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Total time 1 minutes

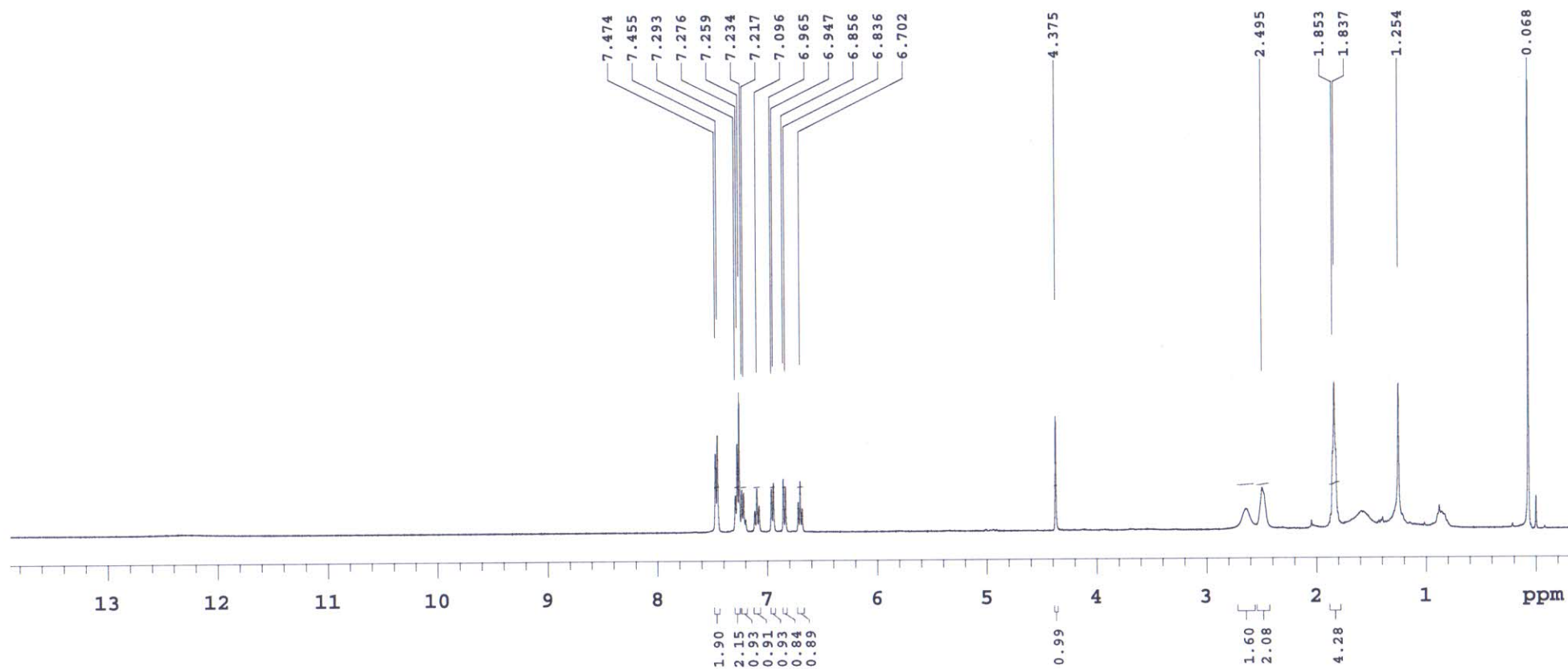
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Operator: chem
File: CKJ-AH-2-14C
Mercury-400 "IITG-NMR"





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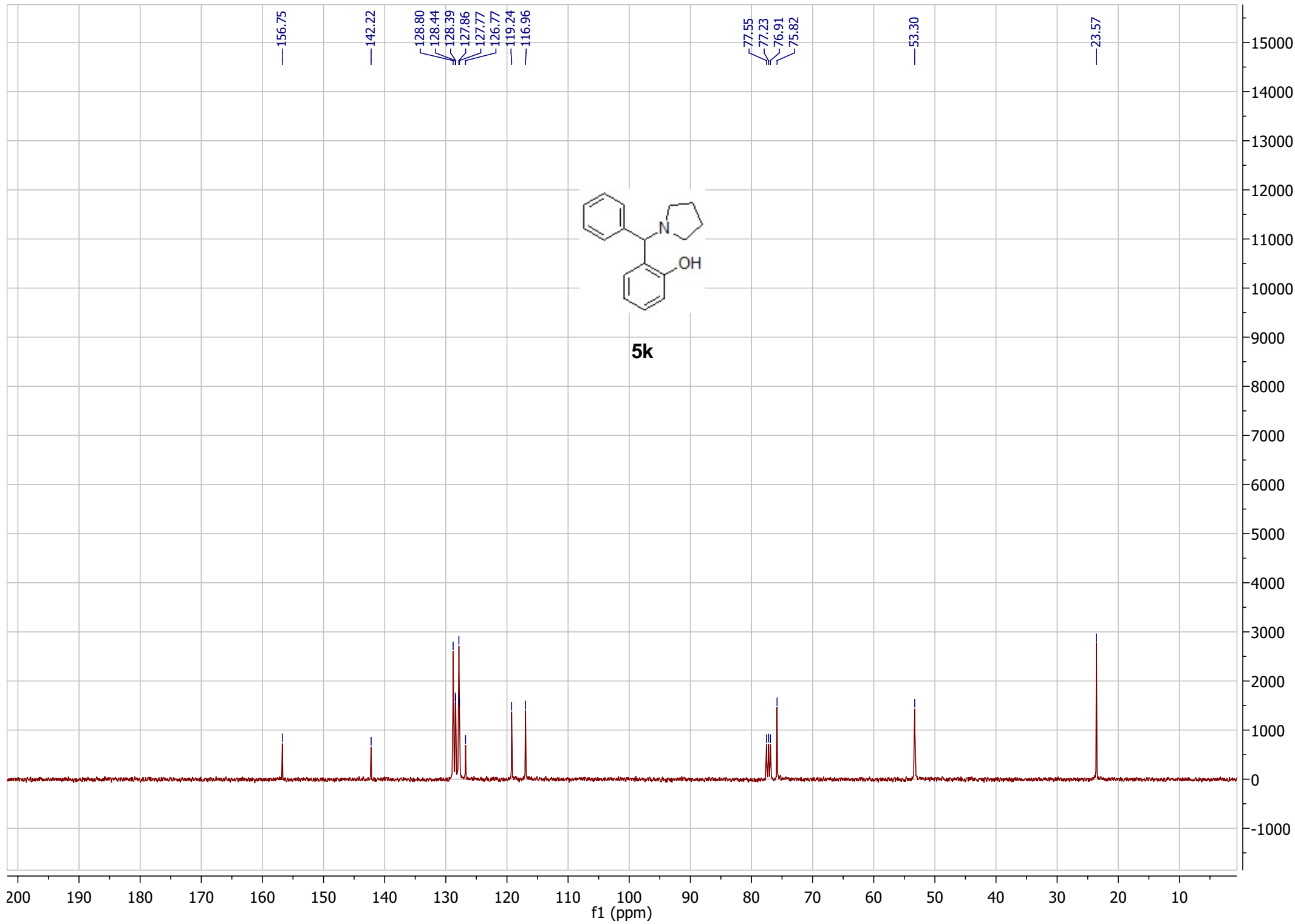
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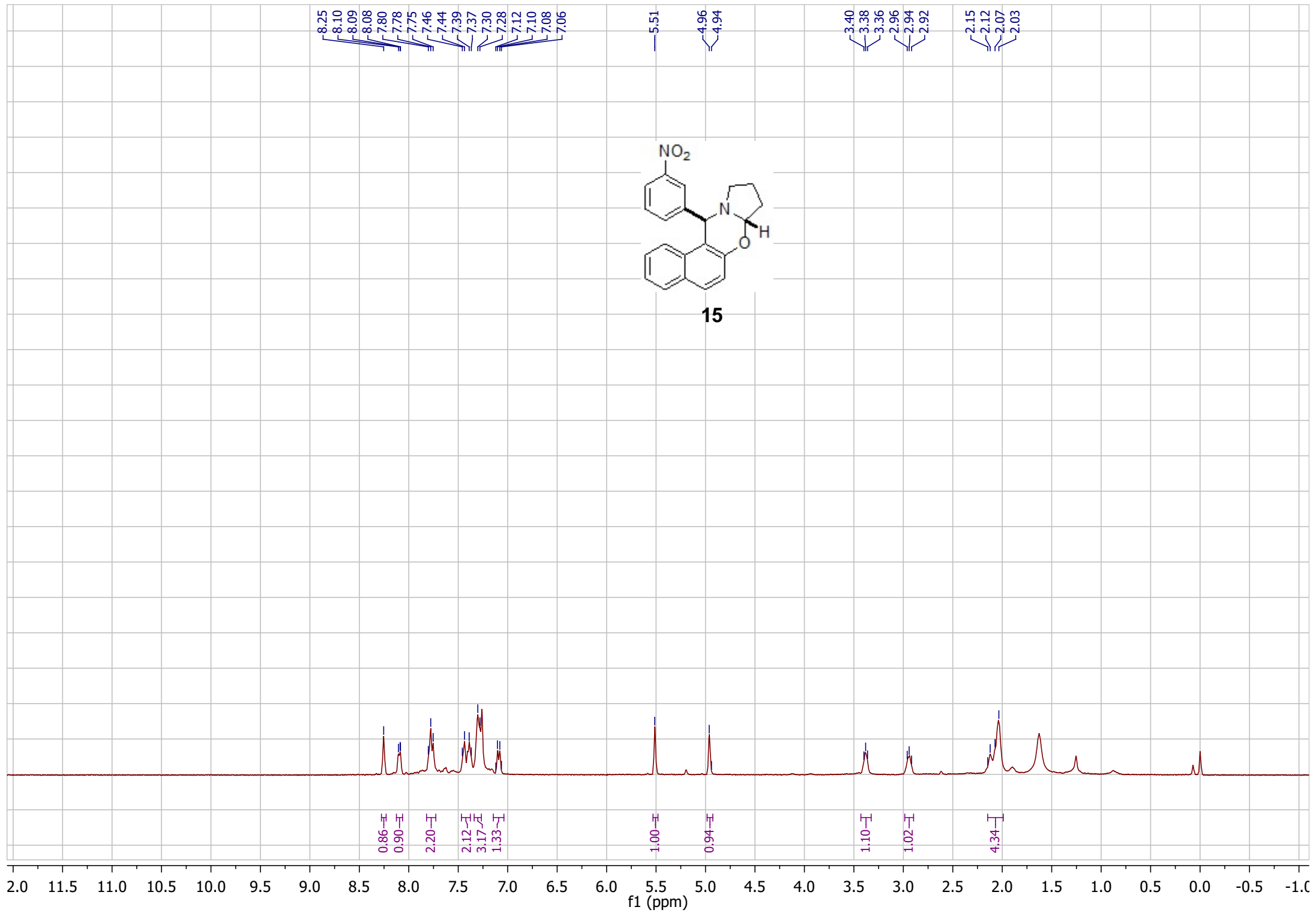
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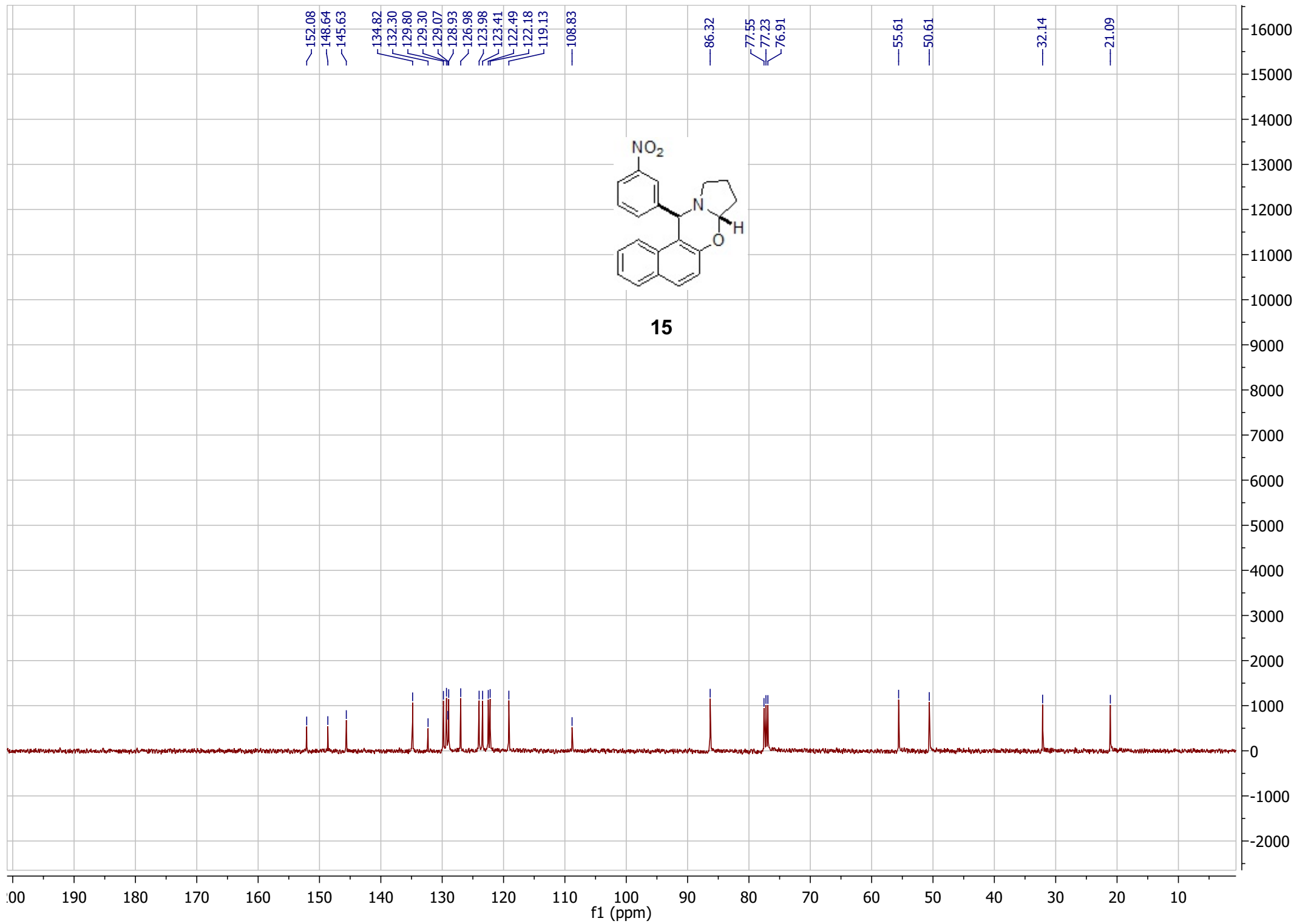
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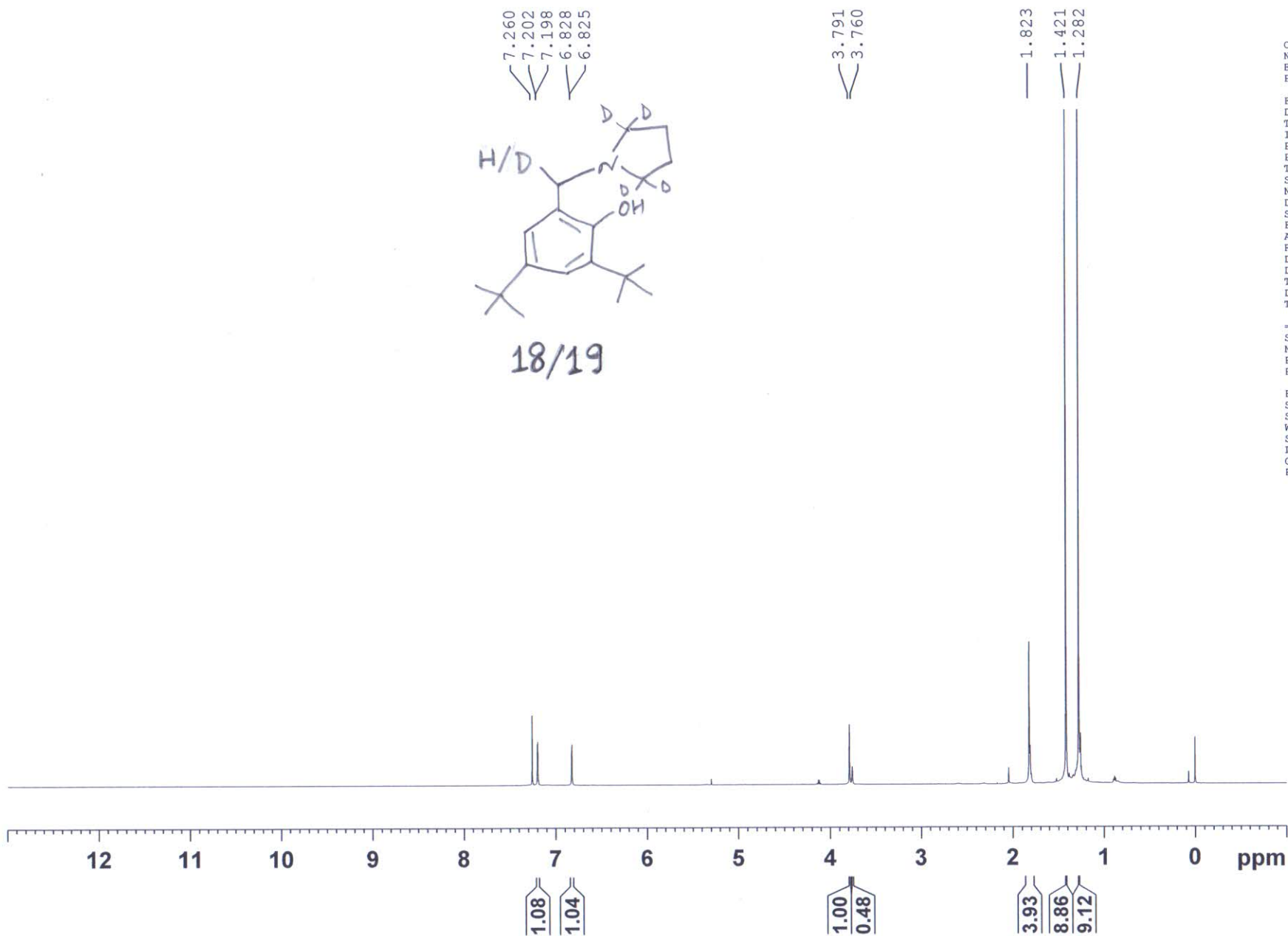
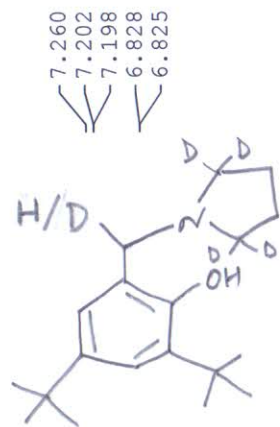
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 Mercury-400 "IITG-NMR"







CKJ-AH-2-30B1-1H



Current Data Parameters
NAME CKJ-AH-2-30B1-1H
EXPNO 1
PROCNO 1

F2 - Acquisition Parameters
Date_ 20140430
Time 17.30
INSTRUM spect
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PULPROG zg30
TD 32768
SOLVENT CDCl3
NS 16
DS 2
SWH 12019.230 Hz
FIDRES 0.366798 Hz
AQ 1.3631488 sec
RG 89.67
DW 41.600 usec
DE 6.50 usec
TE 300.6 K
D1 1.00000000 sec
TDO 1

===== CHANNEL f1 =====
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NUC1 1H
P1 12.00 usec
PLW1 21.00000000 W

F2 - Processing parameters
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SF 600.1700148 MHz
WDW EM
SSB 0
LB 0.30 Hz
GB 0
PC 1.00



Current Data Parameters
 NAME CKJ-AH-2-30B1-13C
 EXPNO 1
 PROCNO 1

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 Time 17.40
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 PULPROG zgpg30
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 SOLVENT CDC13
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 TE 301.4 K
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 TD0 1

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 P1 10.50 usec
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