

Electronic Supporting Information for
Fluorinated Polyhedral Oligomeric Silsesquioxane

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1. Instrumentation

¹H, ¹³C NMR, ²⁹Si nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) spectra were recorded on a Bruker DRX 400 MHz spectrometer in CDCl₃ at room temperature. Spectrometer operating frequencies were 400.13 MHz (¹H), 100.61 MHz (¹³C), and 79.46 MHz (²⁹Si). Tetramethylsilane was used as an internal standard for ¹H, ¹³C, and external standard for ²⁹Si NMR spectra. ¹⁹F NMR spectra (operating frequencies: 276.47 MHz) were recorded on AV400 MHz, and instrument default calibration (CFCl₃) was used. Thermogravimetric analysis (TGA) was performed in a Perkin-Elmer thermogravimetric analyzer (TGA 7) in nitrogen or in air at a heating rate of 20 °C/min. Differential scanning calorimetry (DSC) experiments were studied on a TA instrument DSC 2920 under a heating and cooling rate of 10 °C/min in nitrogen. Elemental analysis was conducted on a Perkin-Elmer 240C elemental analyzer for C, H, and S determination at the Chemical and Molecular Analysis Center, Department of Chemistry, National University of Singapore.

Spin coating for water contact angle was conducted on Rame-Hart Contact angle goniometer, with 5 wt.% of FluoroPOSS in PMMA solution (10 mg/mL in CHCl₃).

Atomic Force Microscopy (AFM) experiments: FluoroPOSS was dissolved in mr-I PMMA (bought from Micro Resist Technology GmbH) at a concentration of 0.3 mg/mL and 1 mg/mL. The rotation speed during spin coating was set 2000 rpm and last for 30s. Nanotribology experiments were performed by a Nanoscope III scanning probe microscopy (Veeco-Digital Instruments (DI), Santa Barbara). Commercially available V shaped Si₃N₄ cantilevers (DI) were used. Each cantilever was calibrated after a given experiment by measuring the thermal excitation of the tip to compute its spring constant. Tapping mode AFM scans was performed in air using a non-coated silicon tip with a spring constant of 10 N/m~20N/m (Nanosensors, Wetzlar, Germany). Features on the nanometer scale were imaged on a minimum of three different areas on the sample.

2. NMR spectra

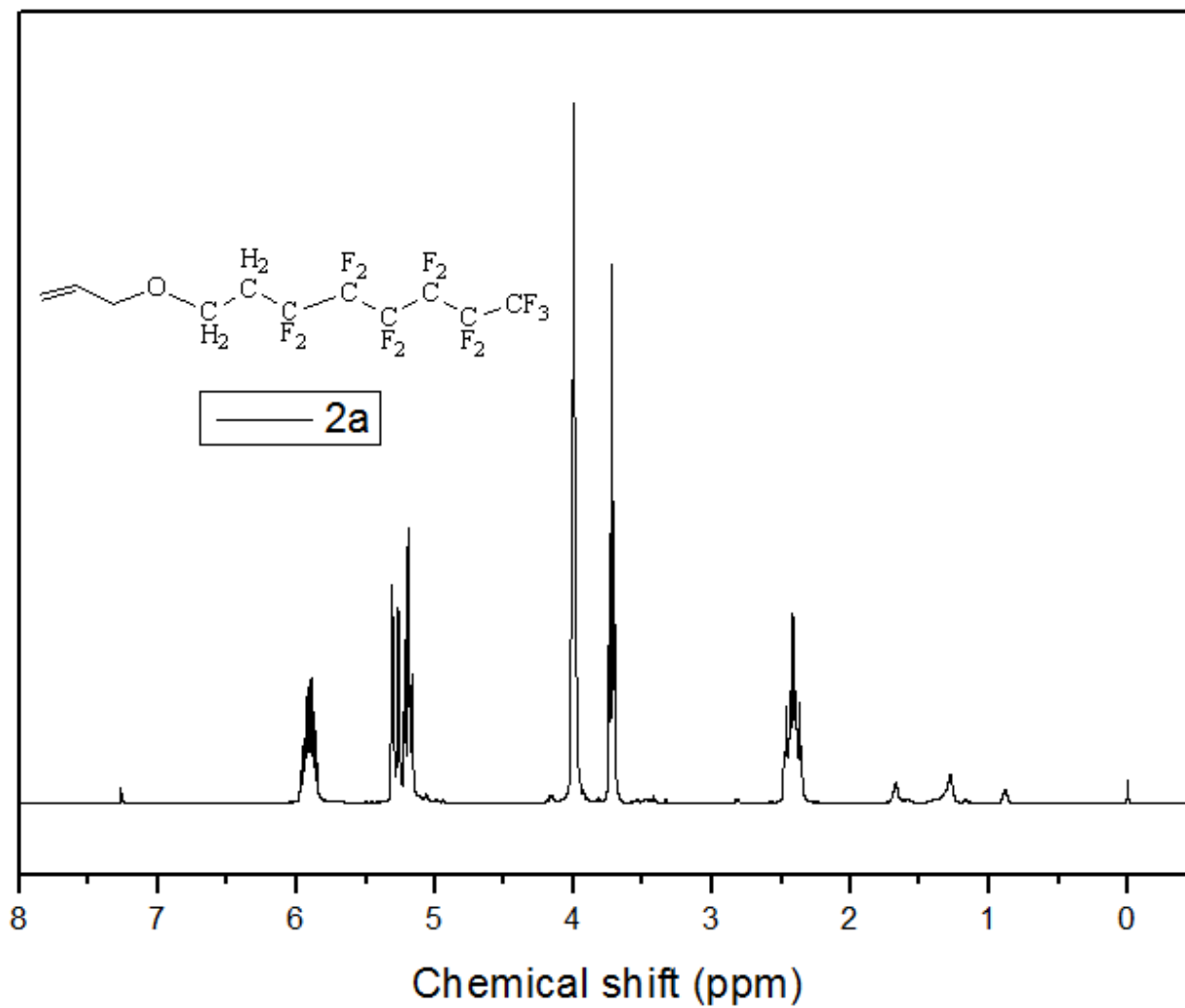


Figure S1: ^1H NMR of compound **2a** in CDCl_3 at room temperature.

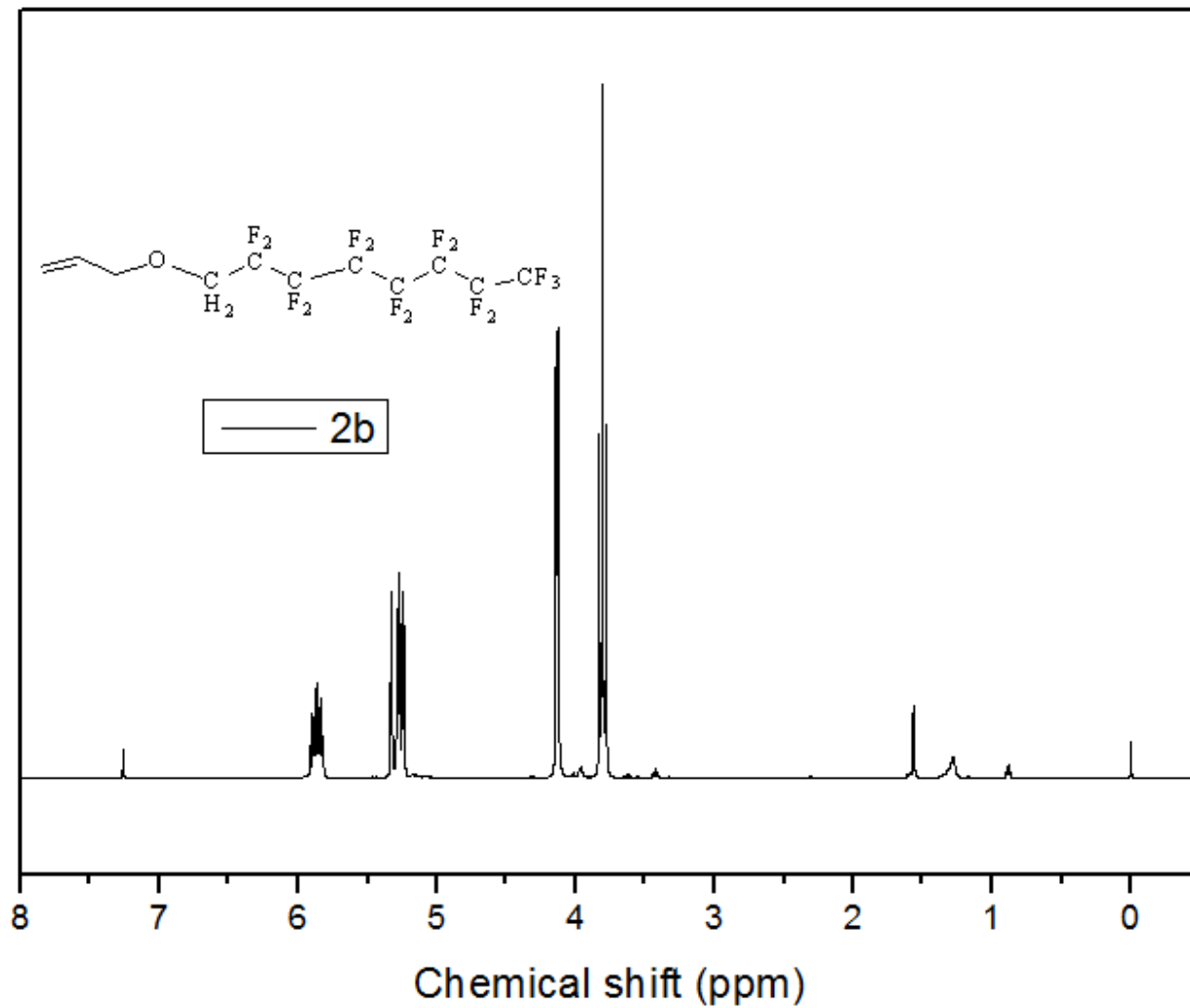


Figure S2: ¹H NMR of compound **2b** in CDCl₃ at room temperature.

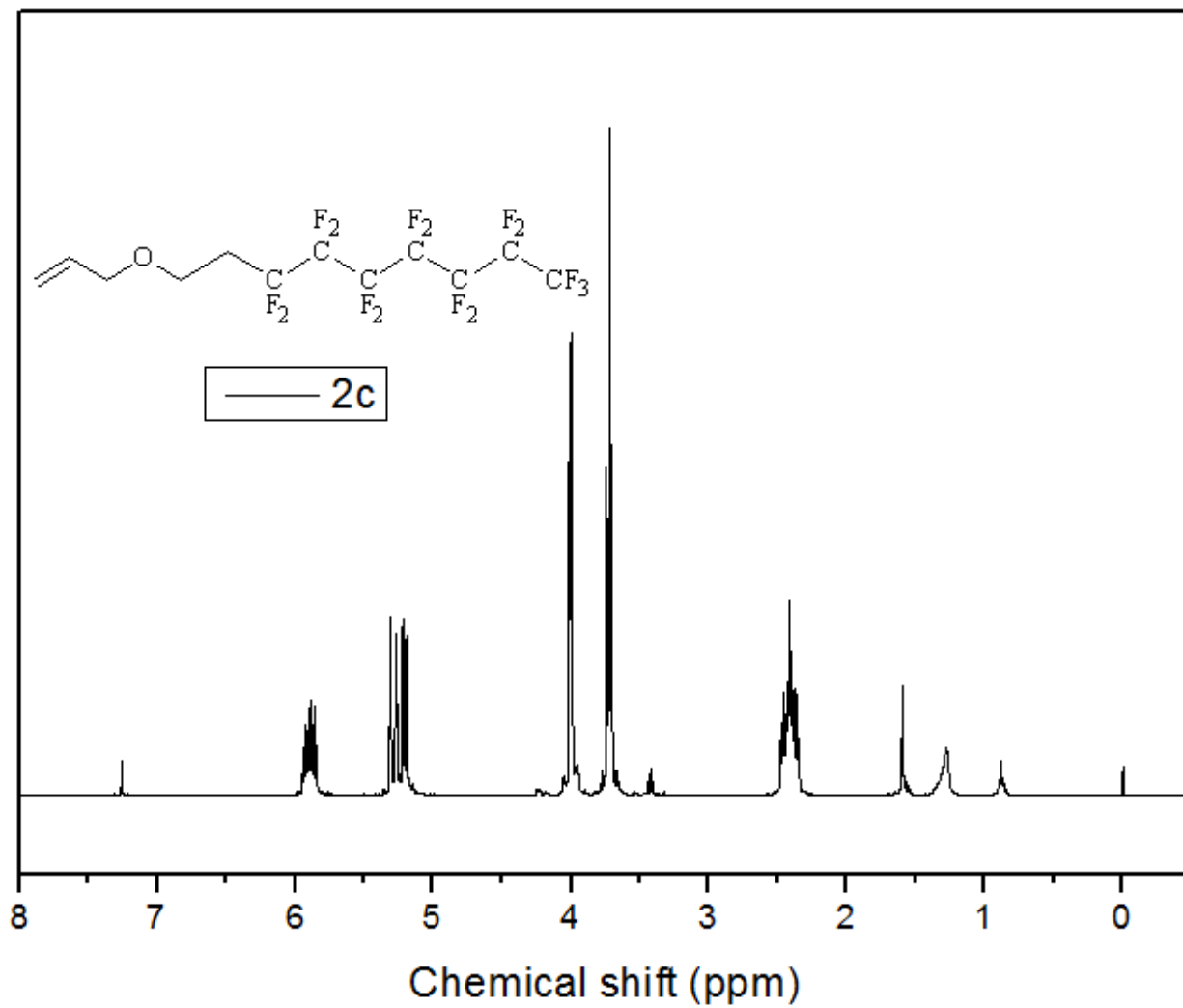


Figure S3: ^1H NMR of compound **2c** in CDCl_3 at room temperature.

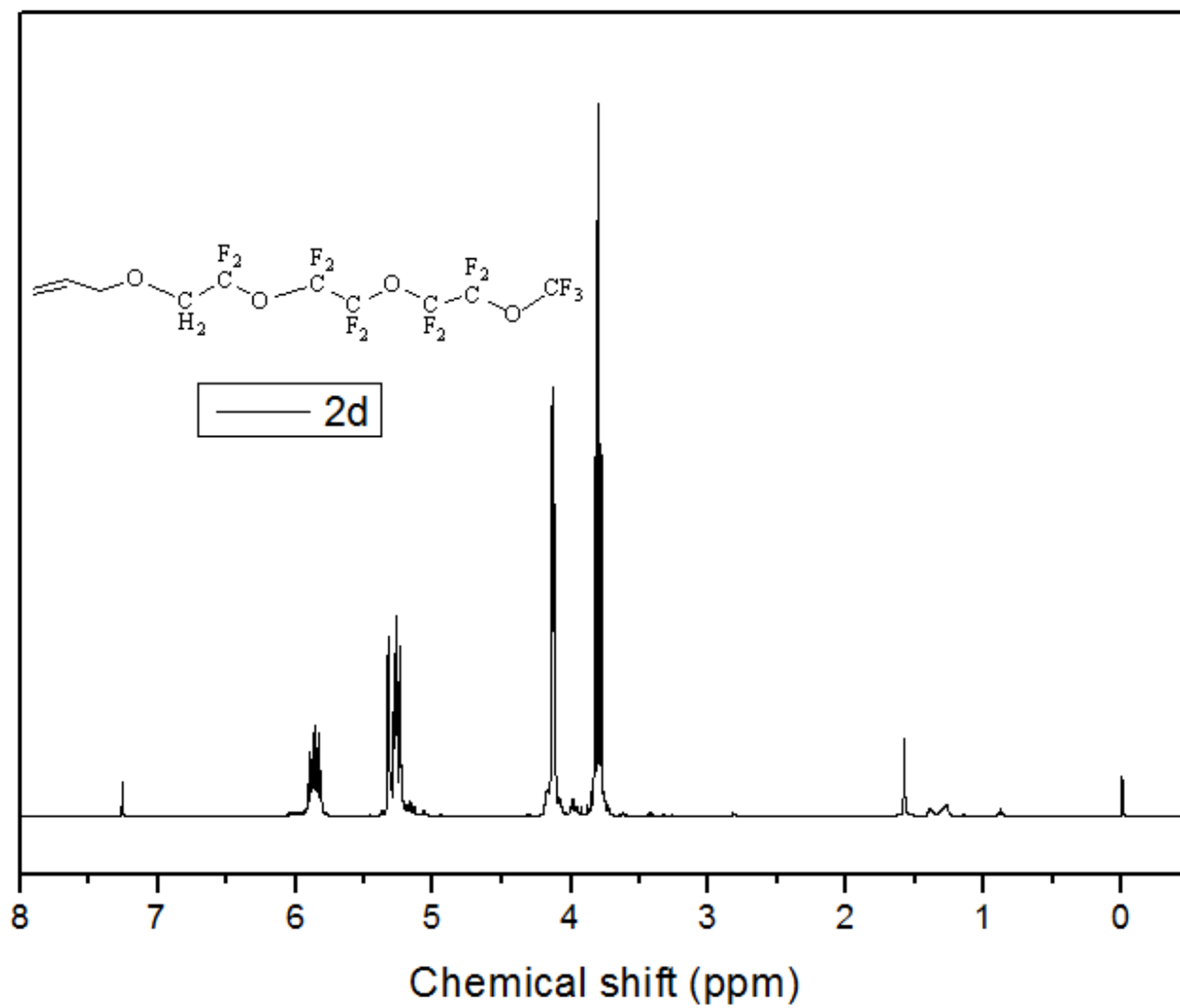


Figure S4: ^1H NMR of compound **2d** in CDCl_3 at room temperature.

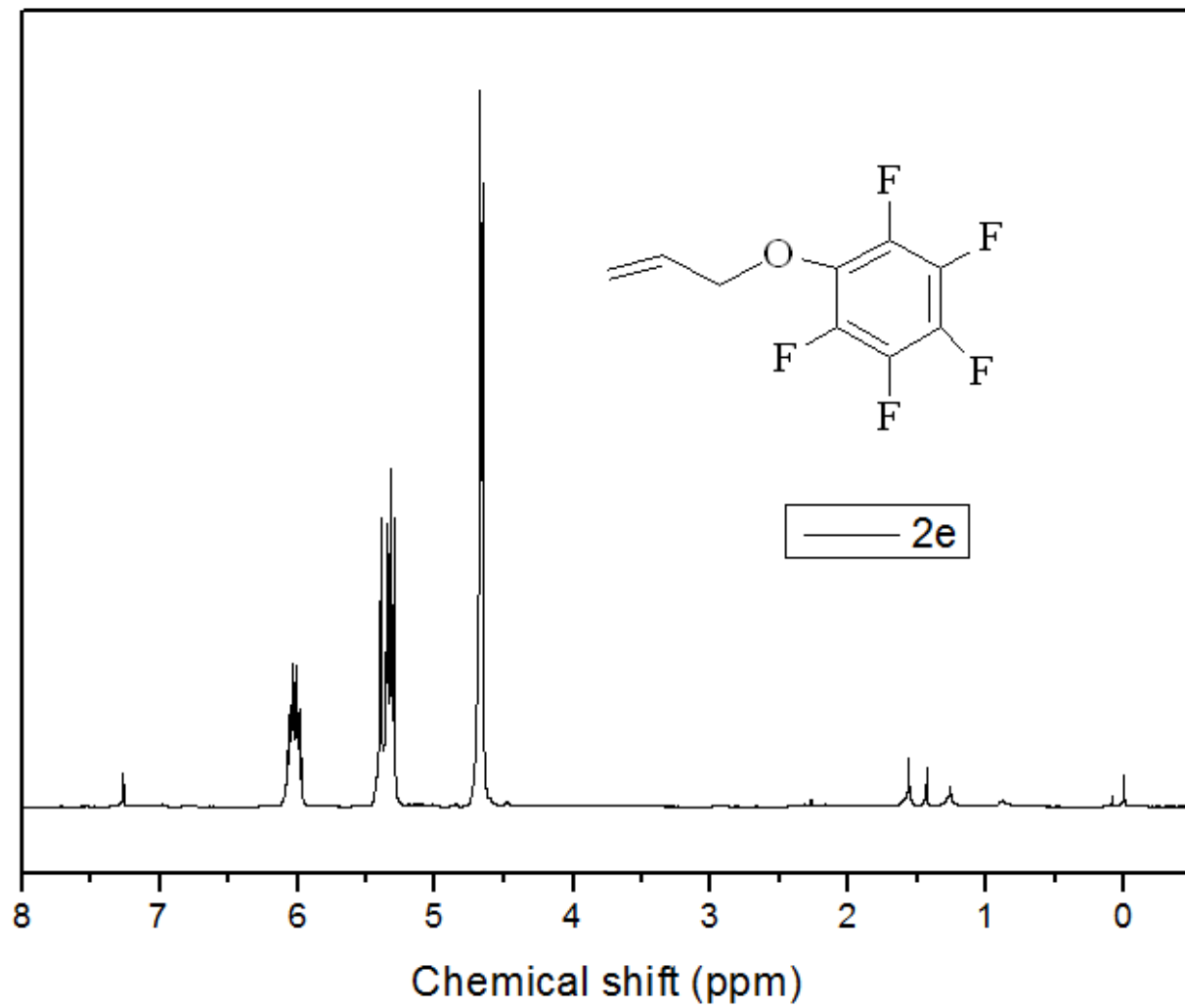


Figure S5: ^1H NMR of compound **2e** in CDCl_3 at room temperature.

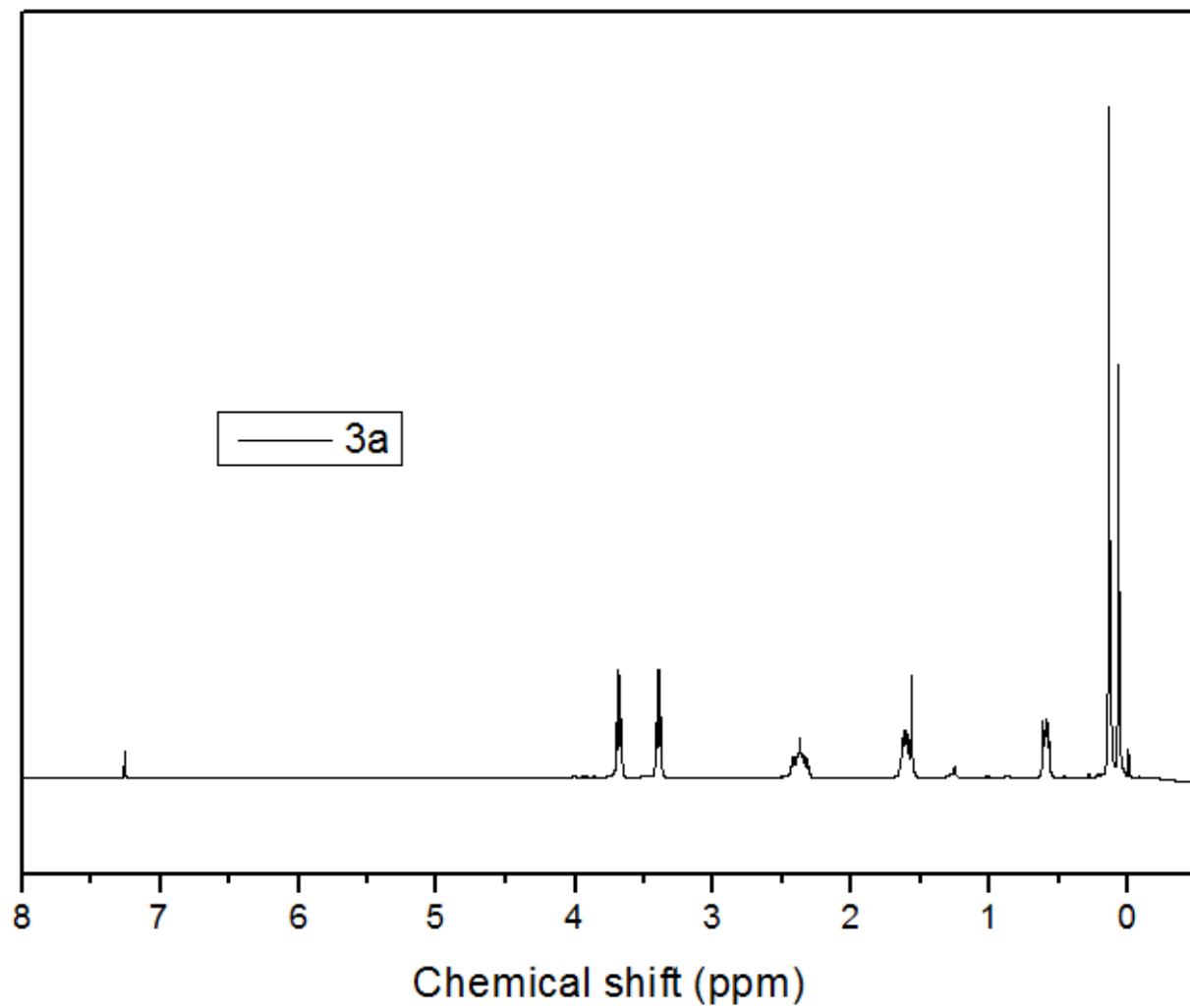


Figure S6: ^1H NMR of compound **3a** in CDCl_3 at room temperature.

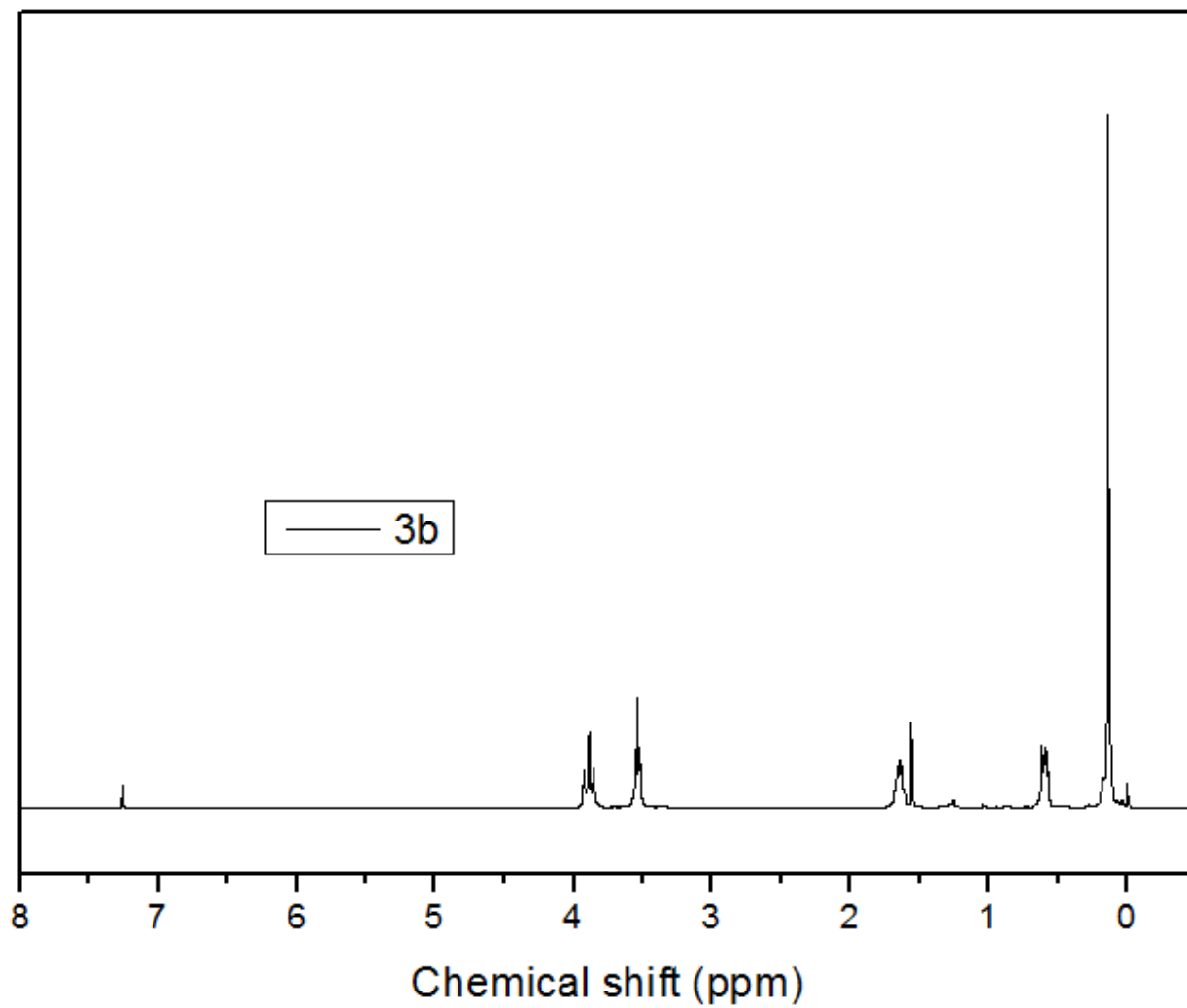


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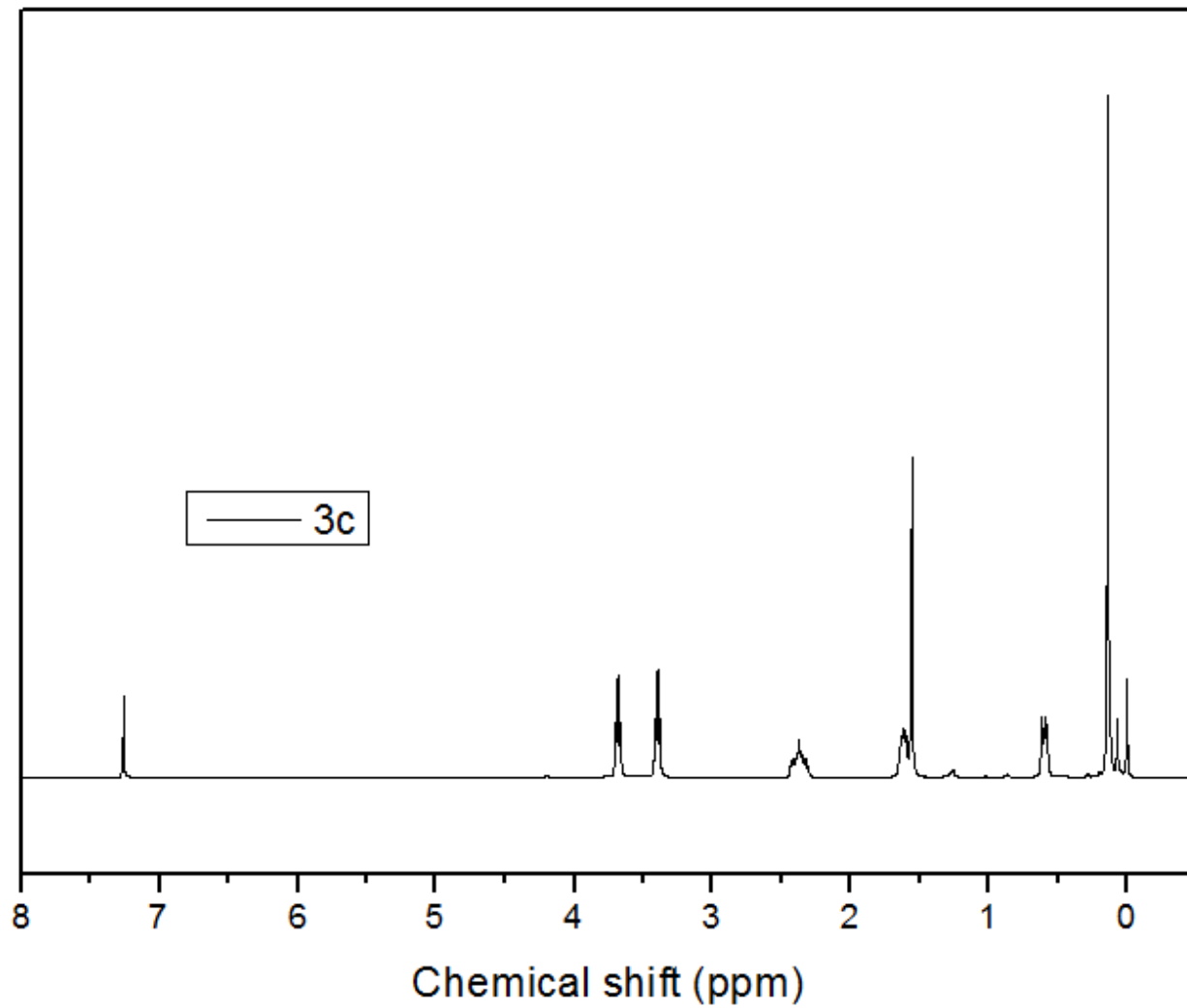


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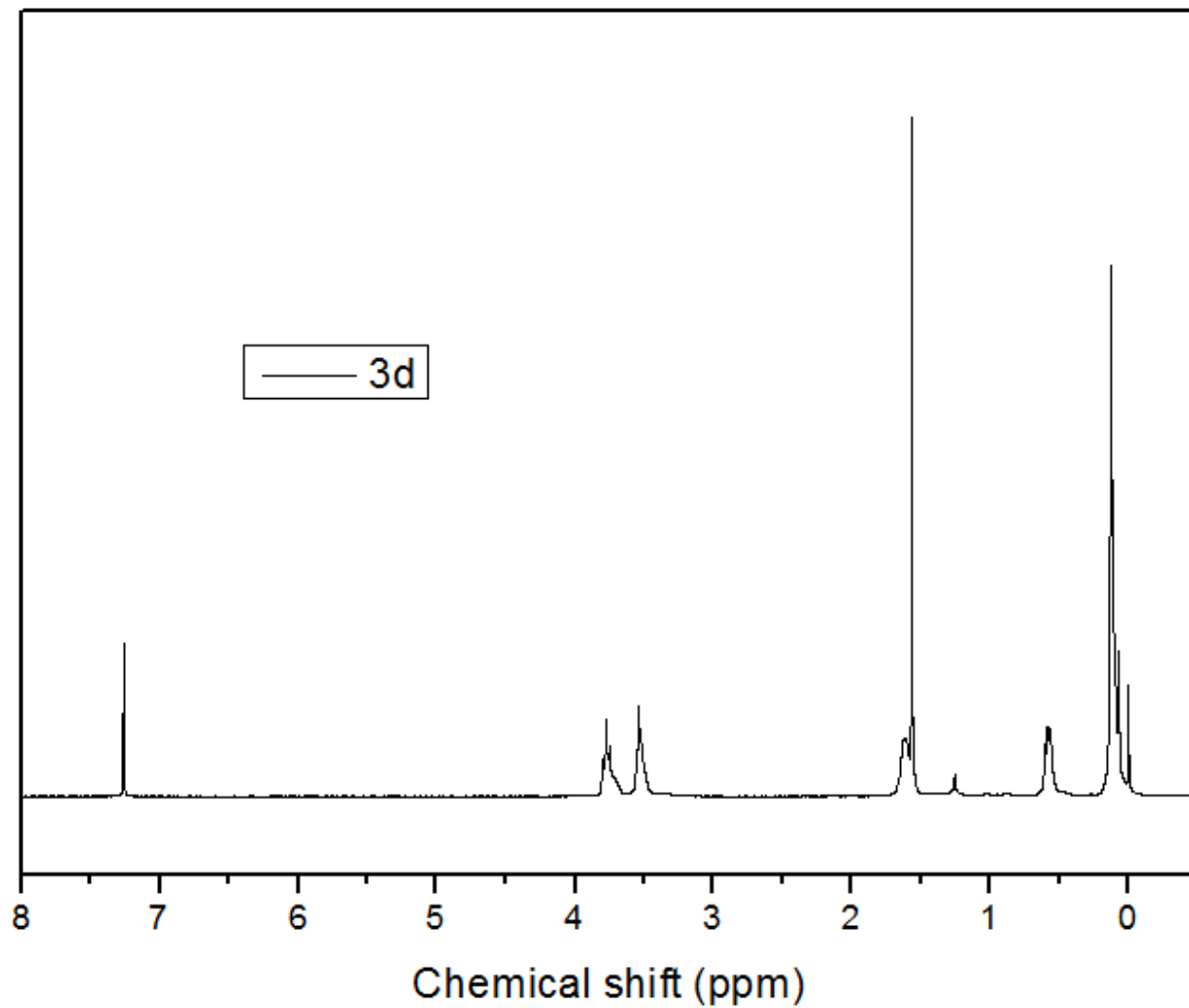


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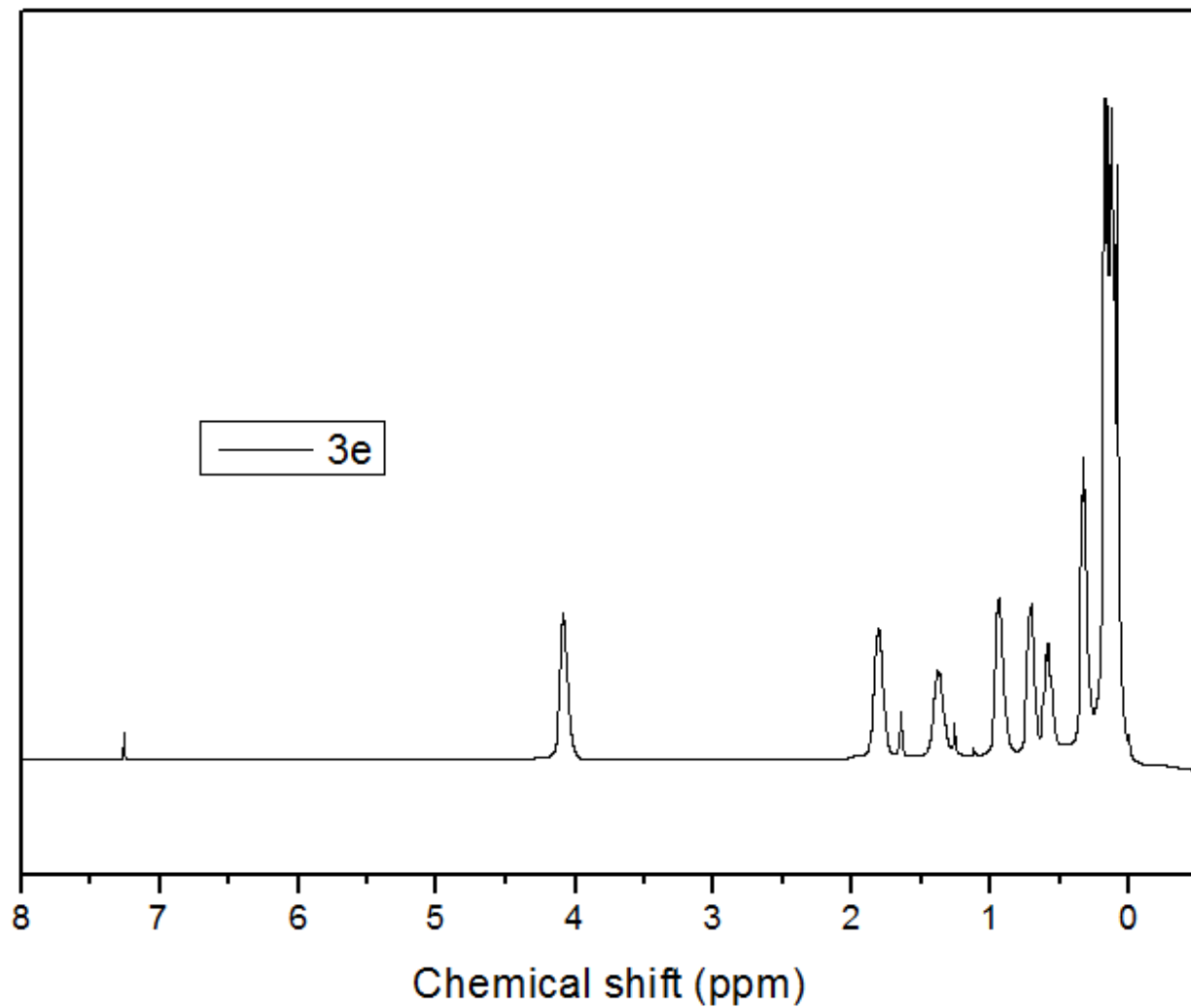


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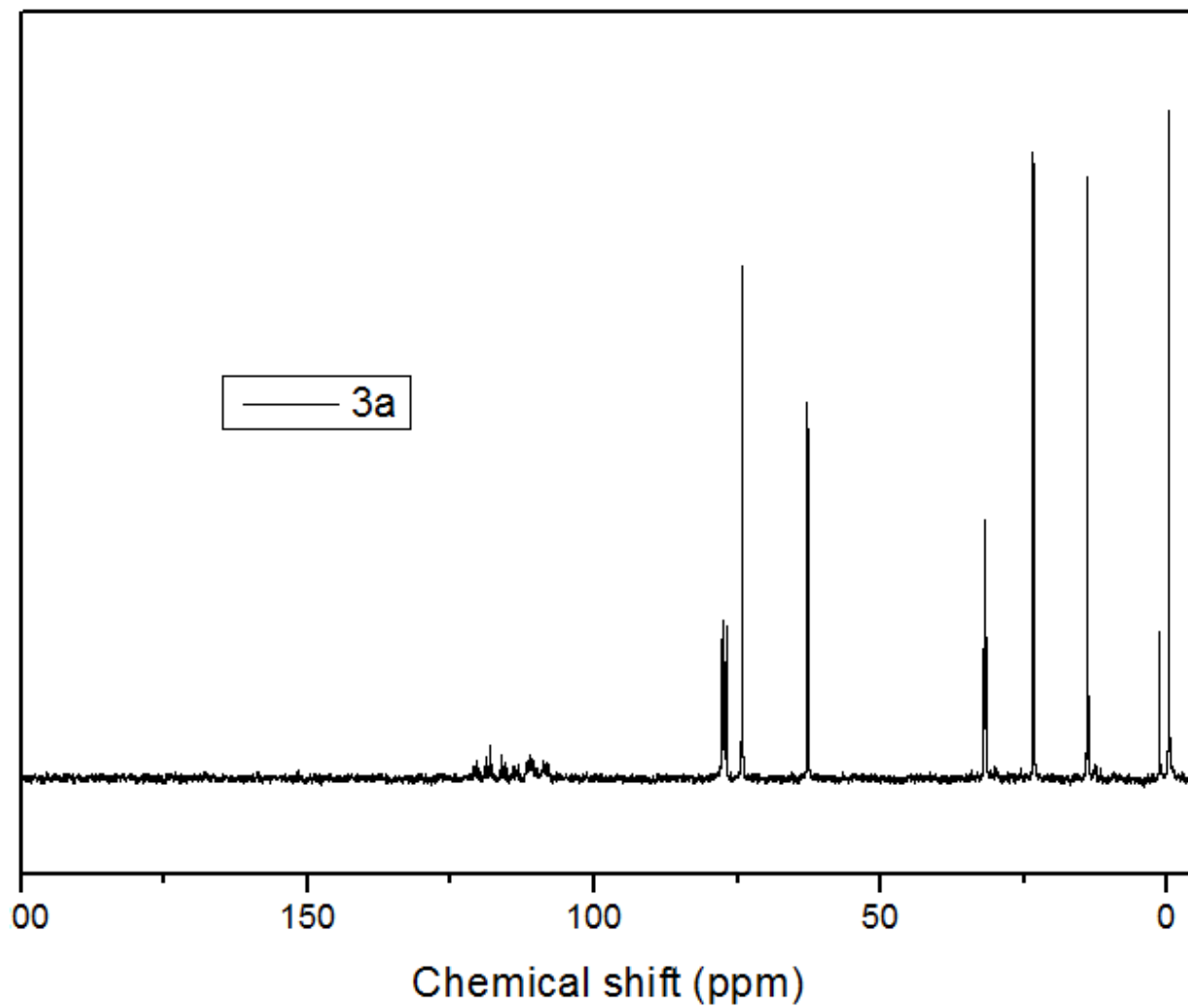


Figure S11: ^{13}C NMR of compound **3a** in CDCl_3 at room temperature.

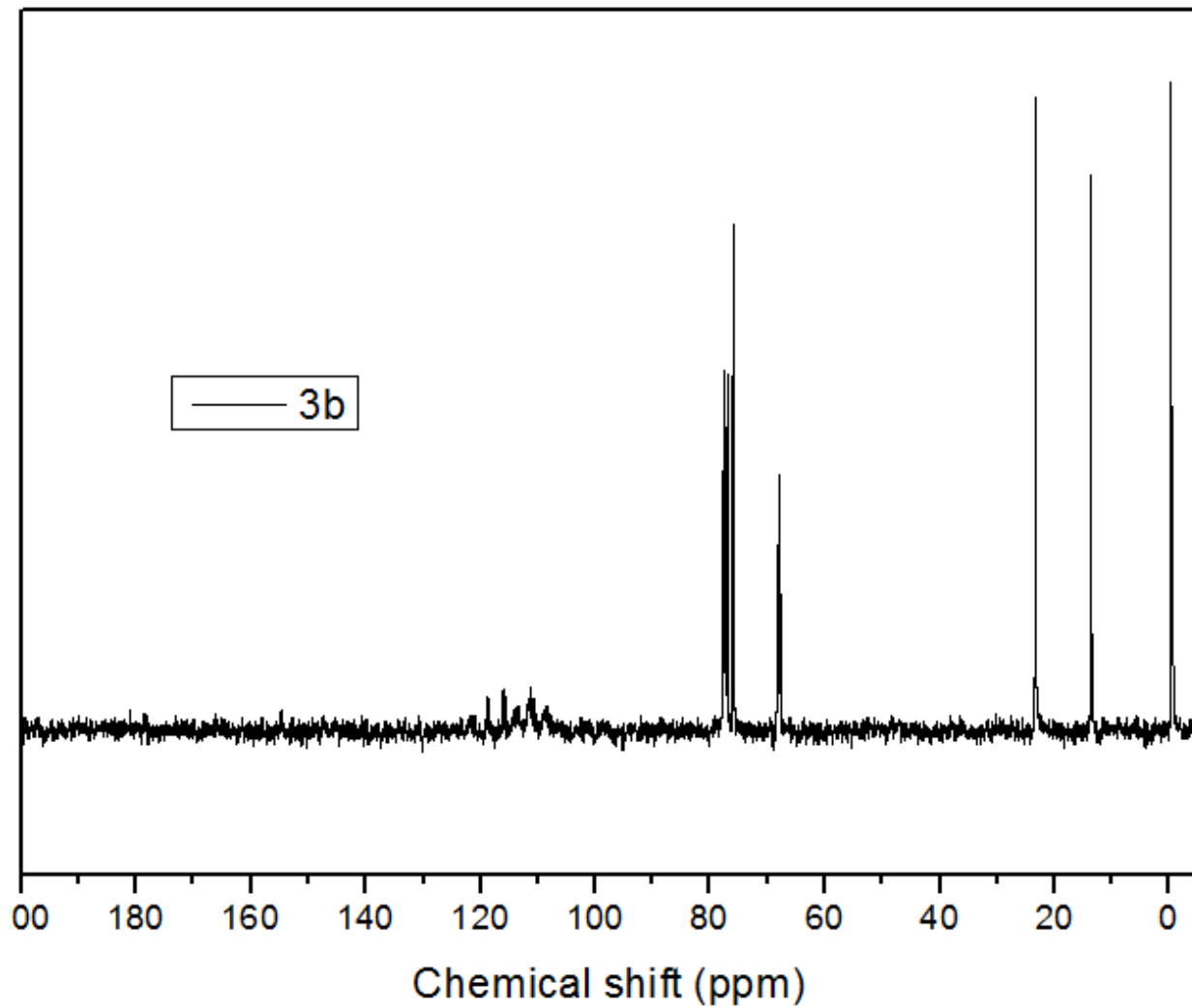


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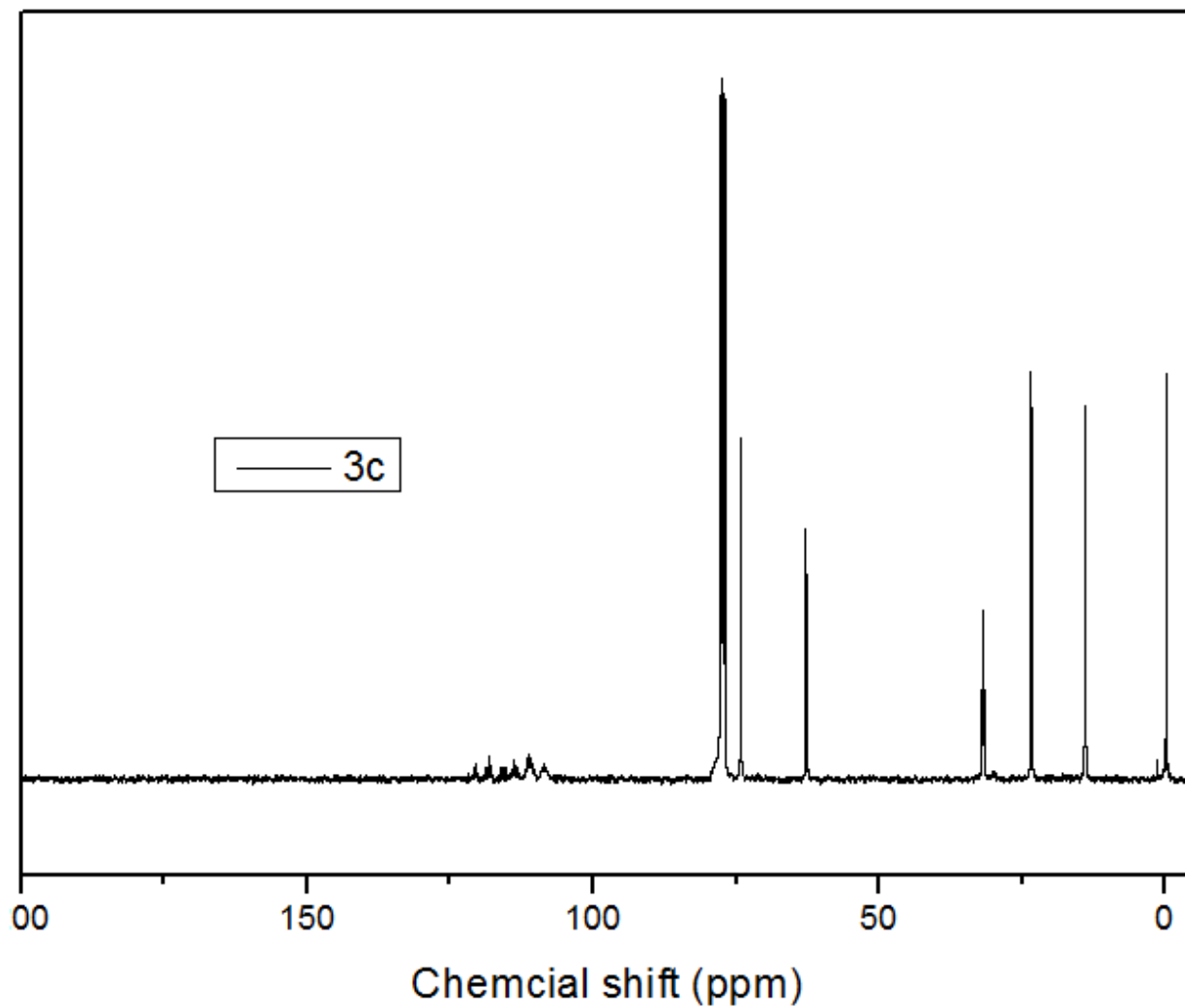


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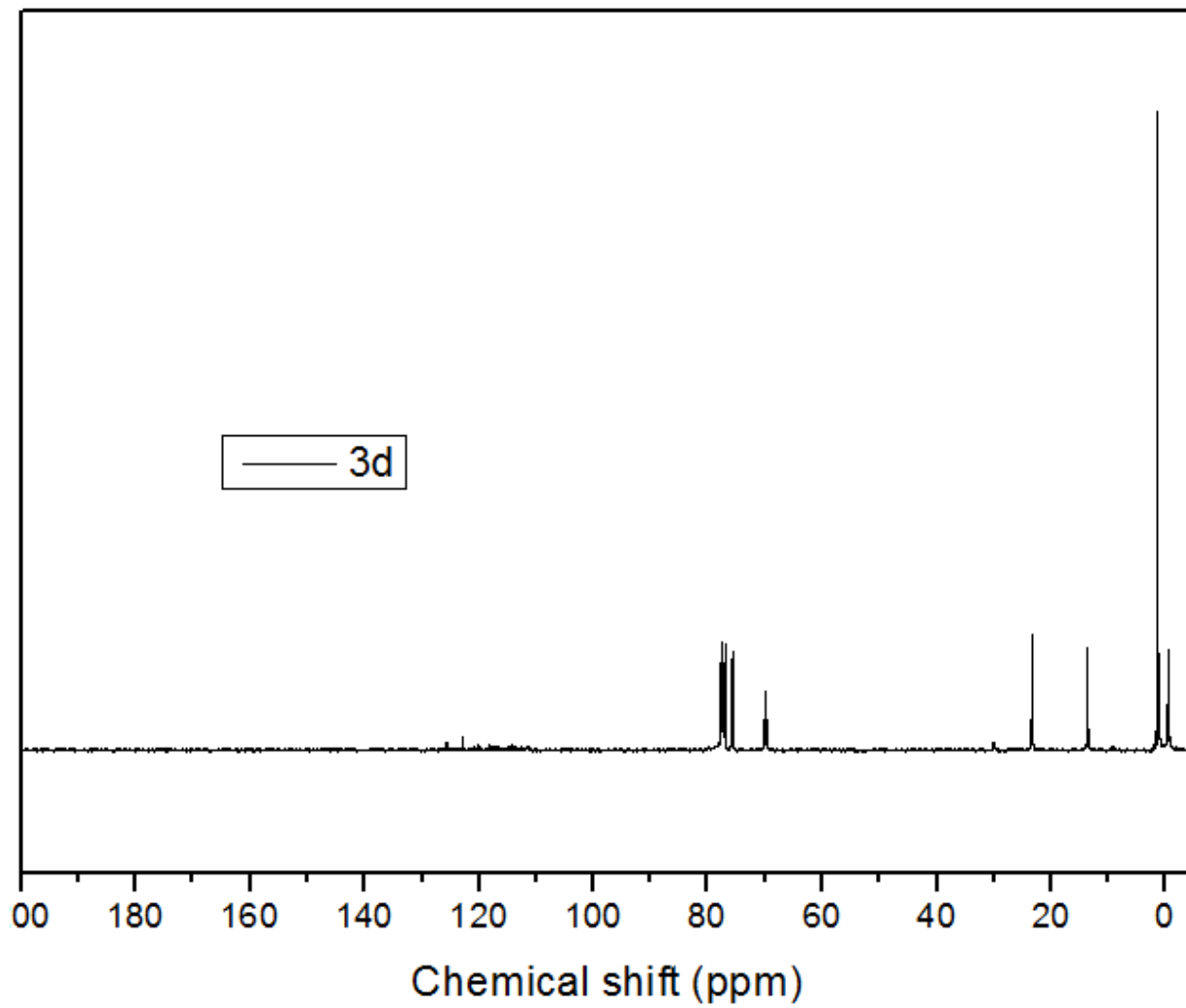


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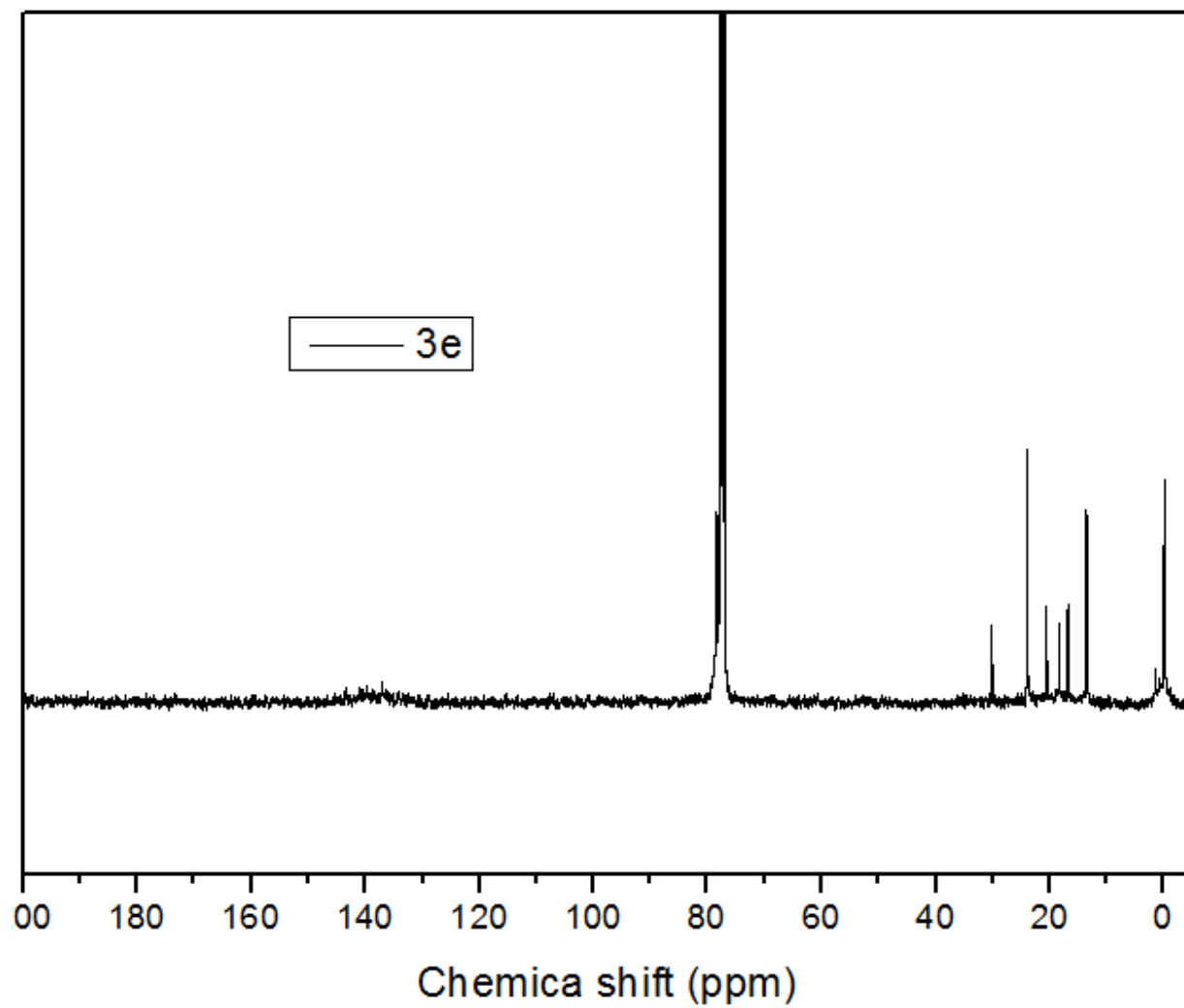


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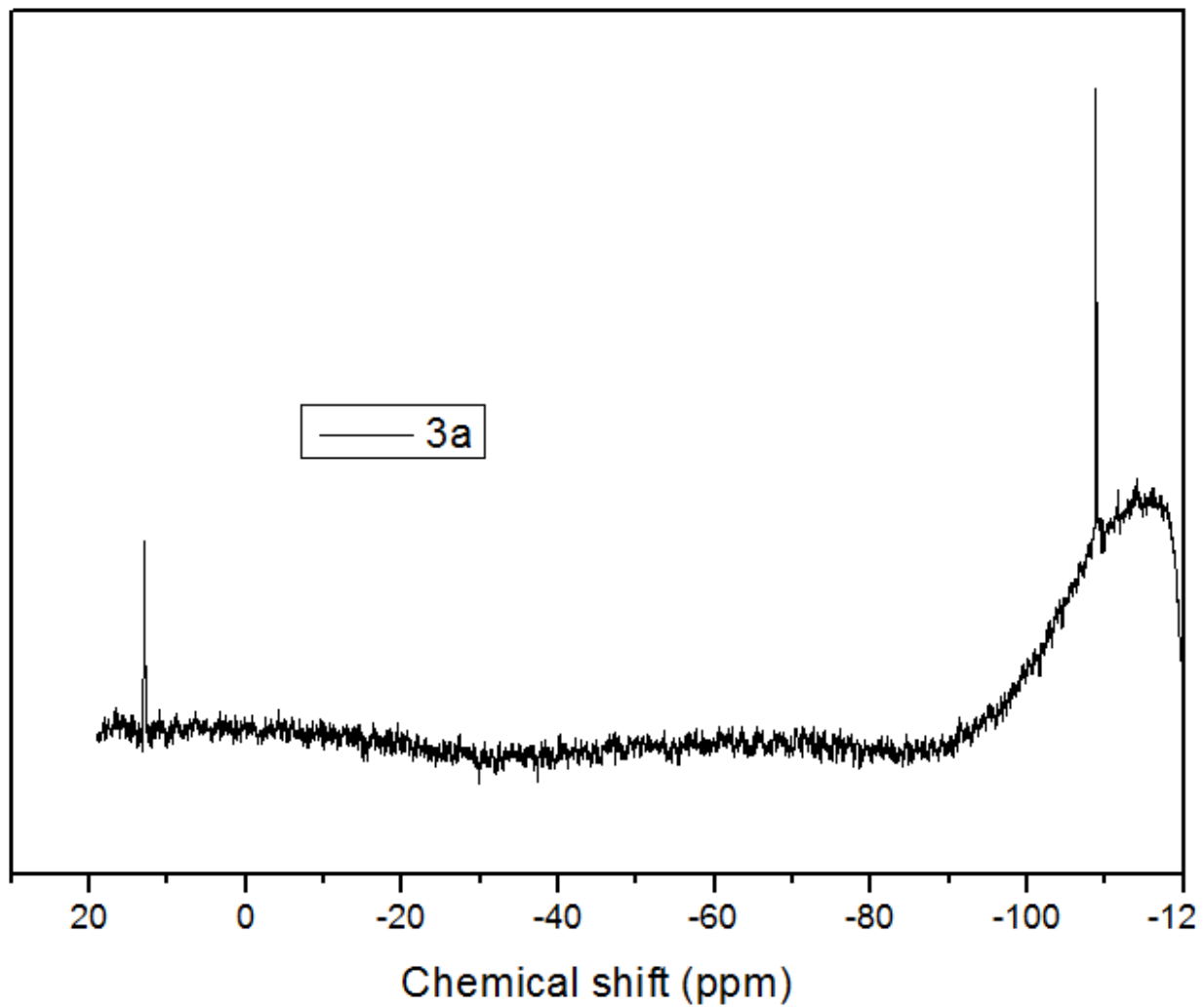


Figure S16: ^{29}Si NMR of compound **3a** in CDCl_3 at room temperature.

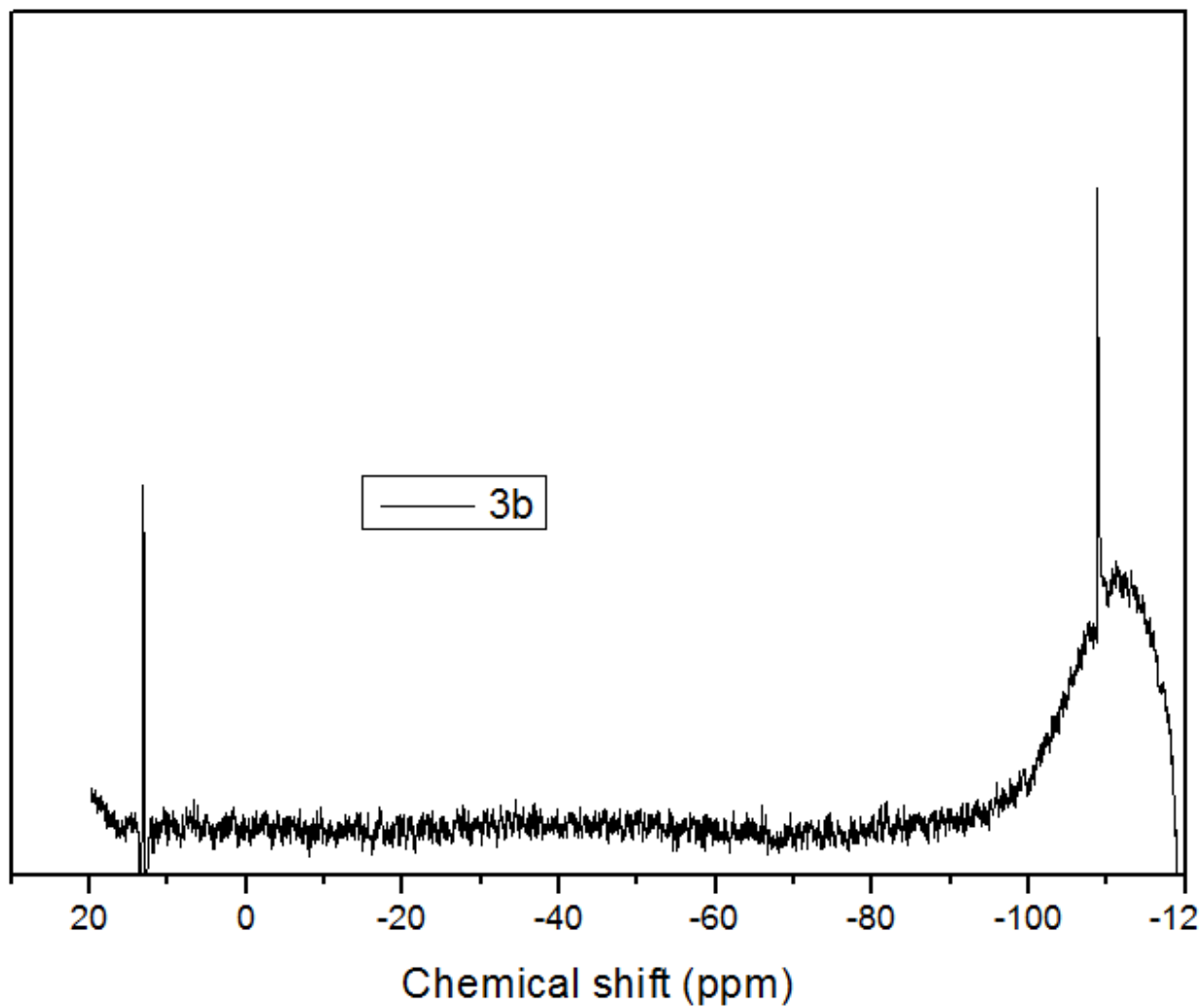


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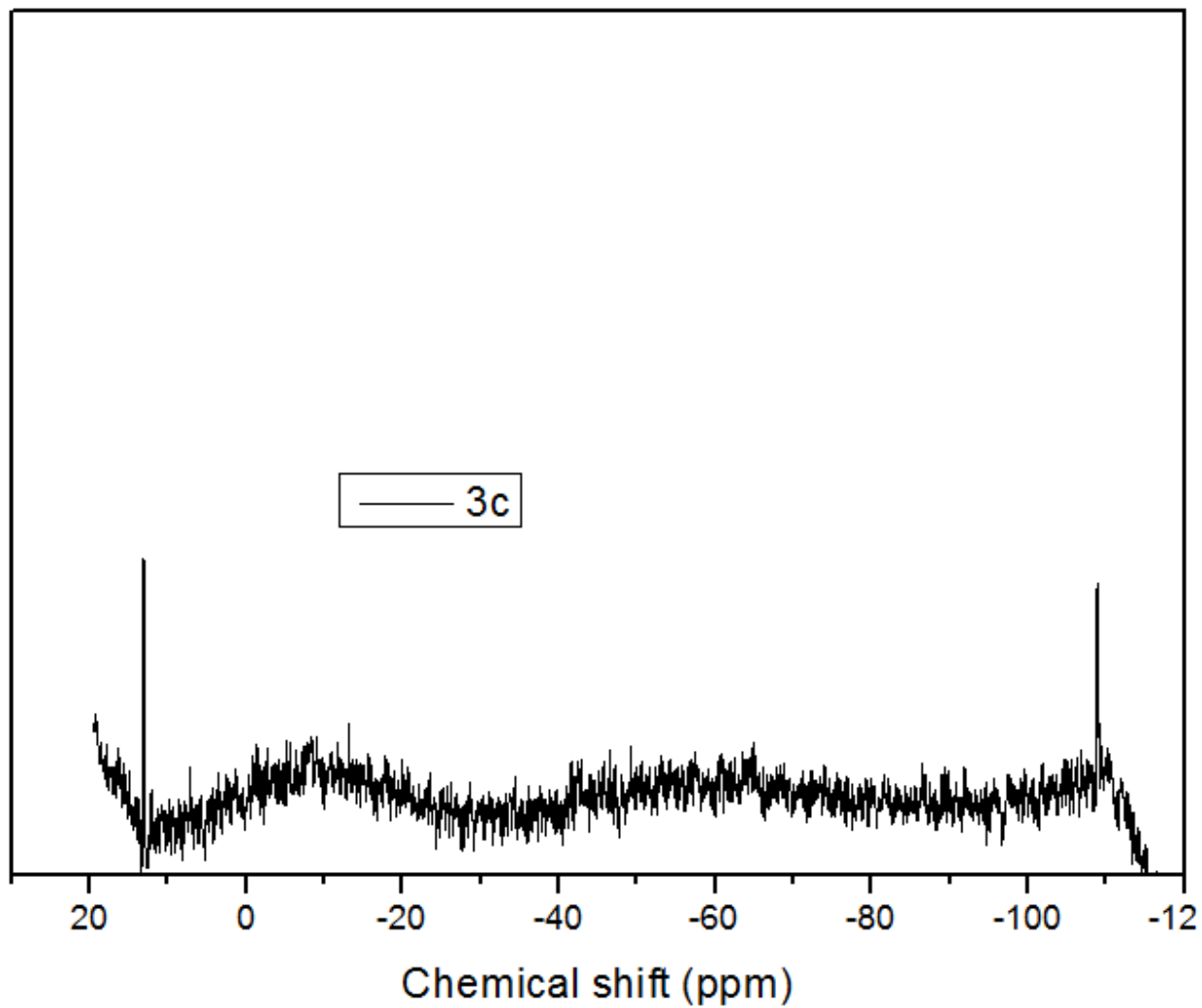


Figure S18: ^{29}Si NMR of compound **3c** in CDCl_3 at room temperature.

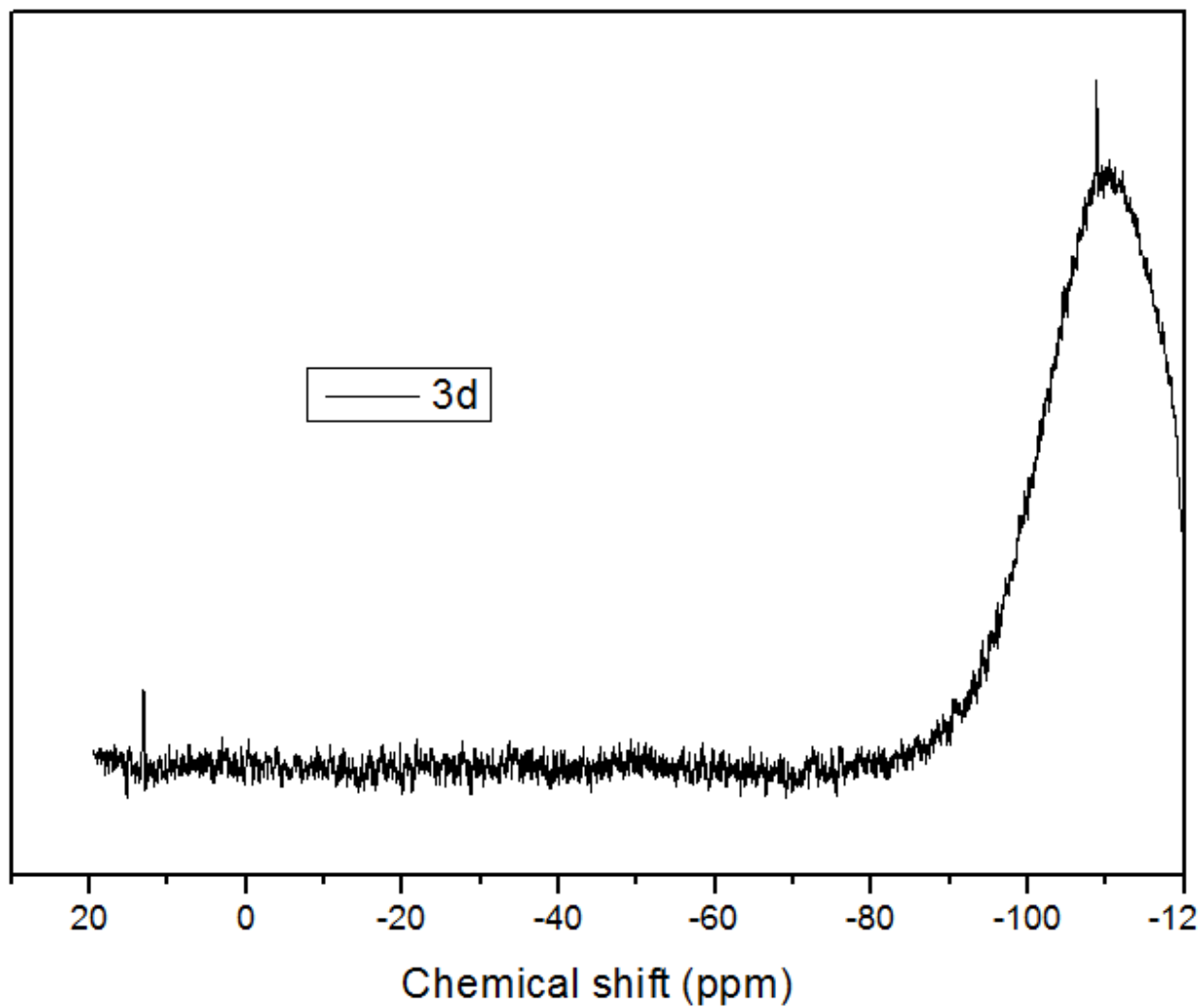


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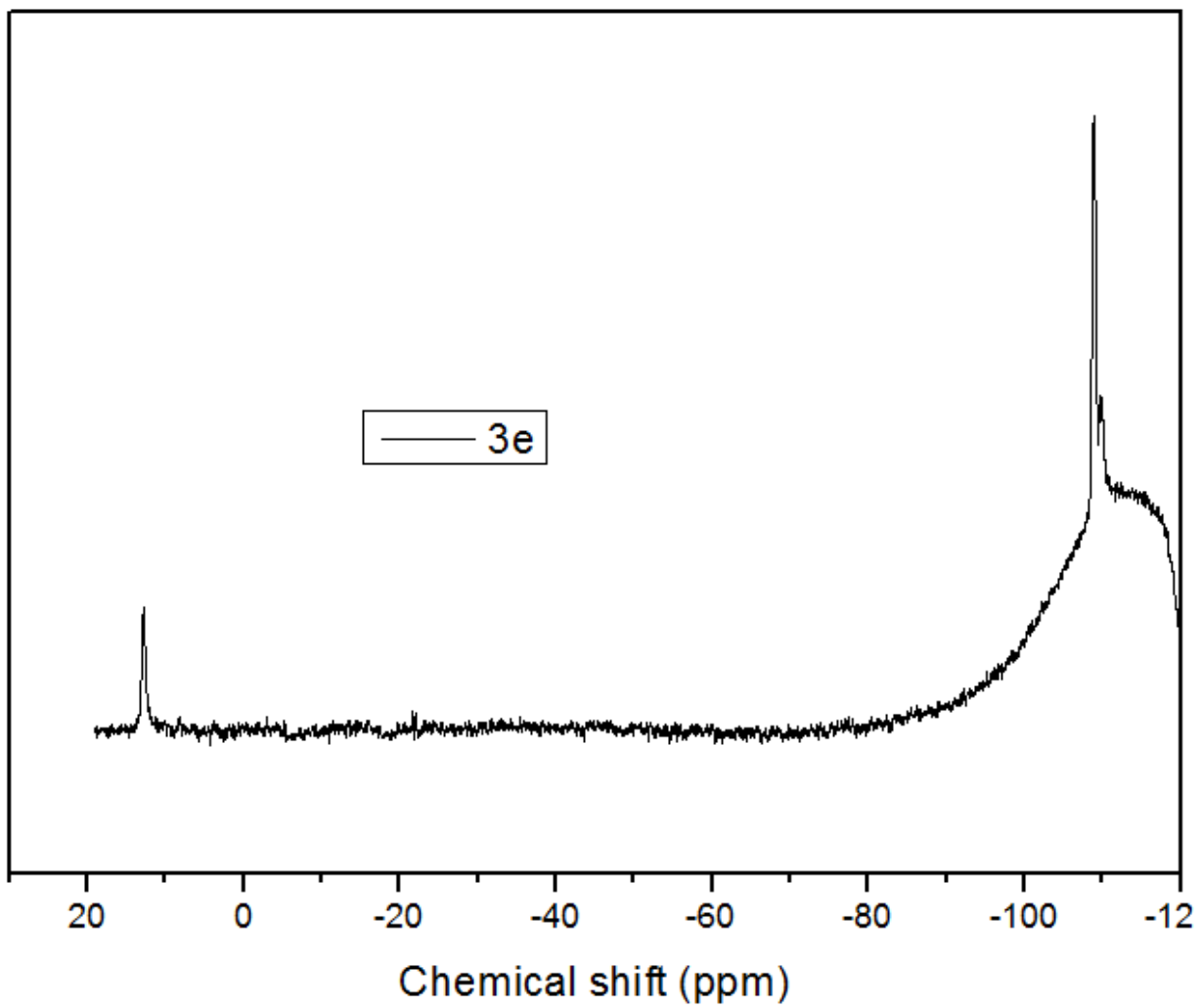


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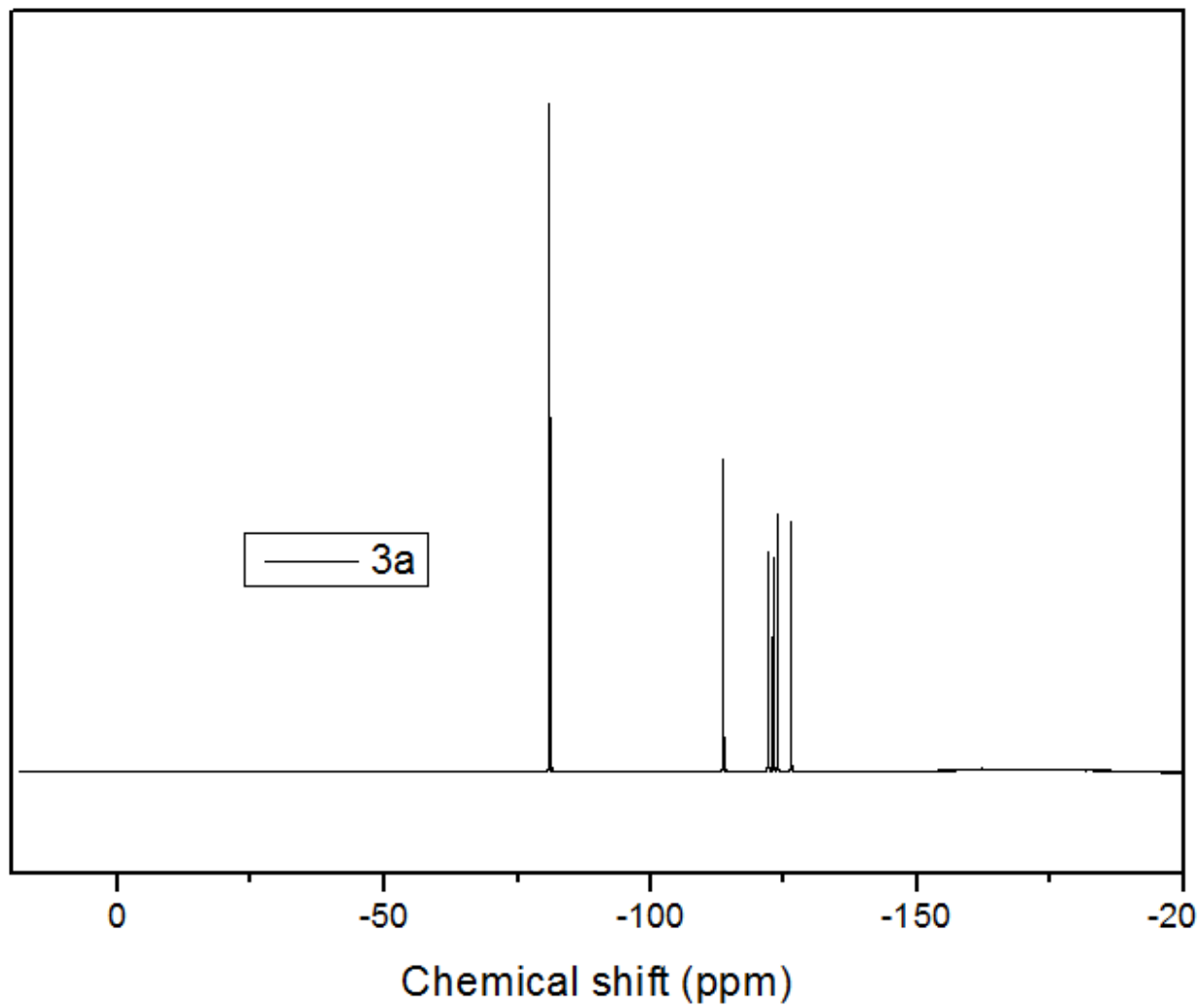


Figure S21: ^{19}F NMR of compound **3a** in CDCl_3 at room temperature.

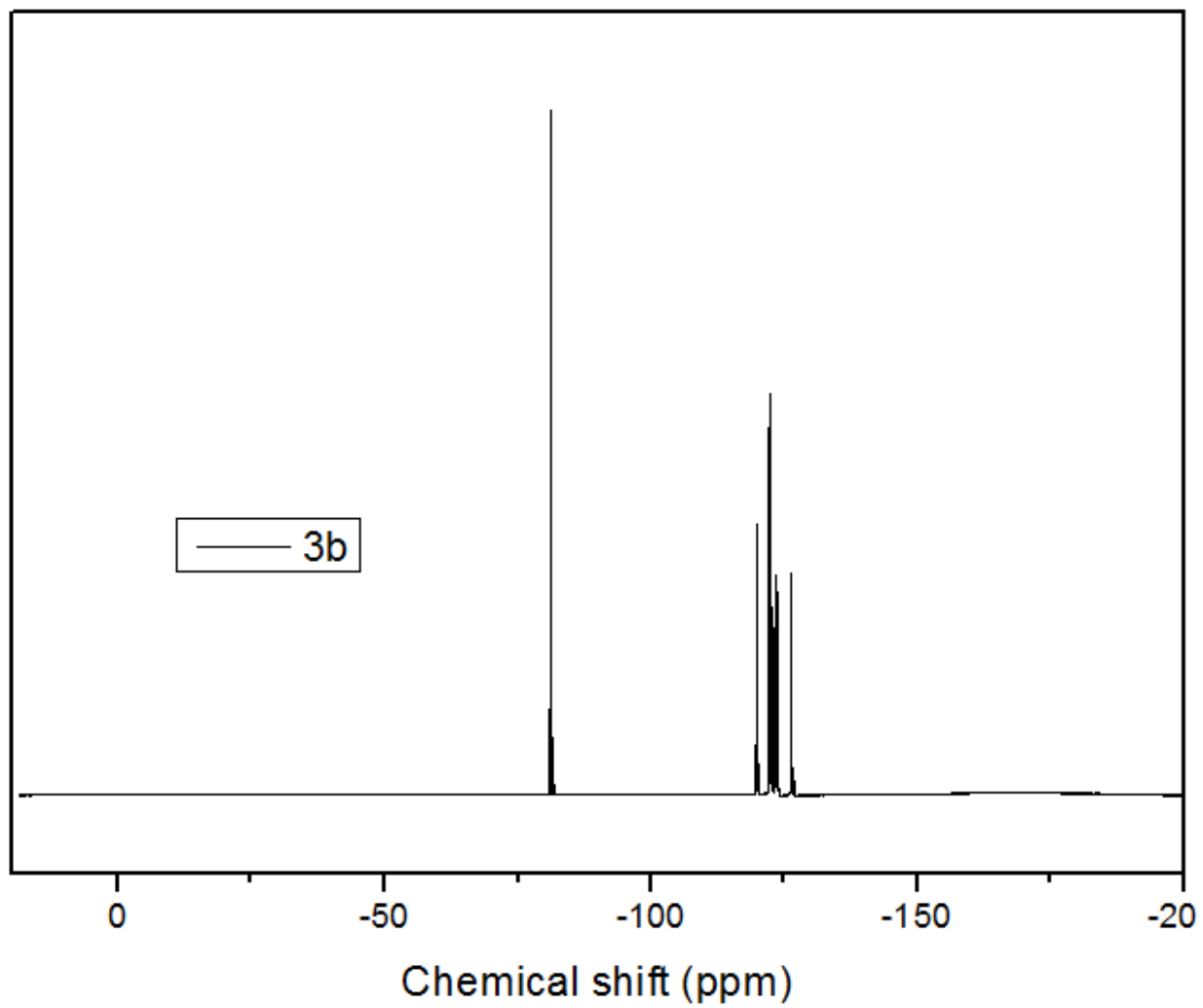


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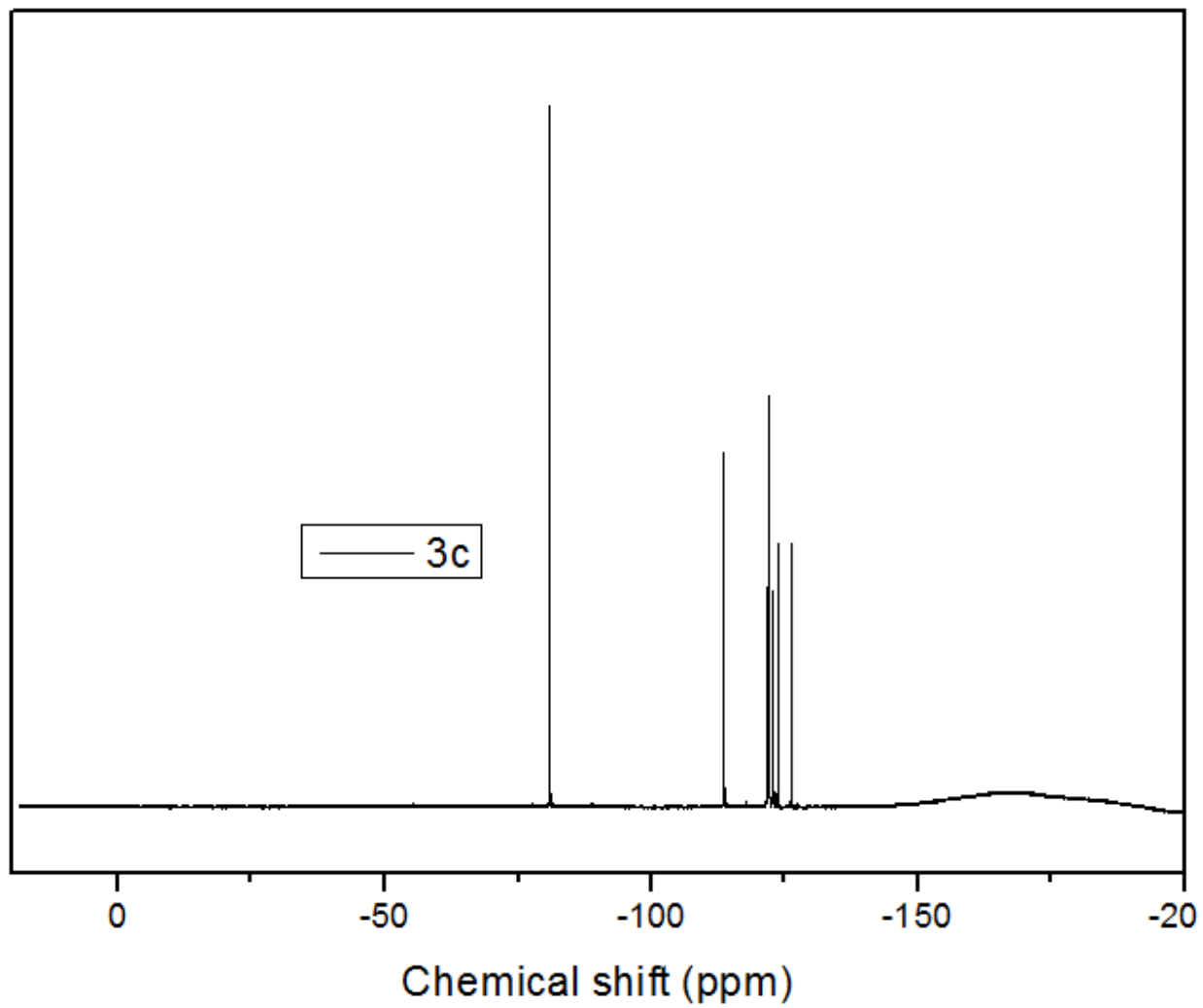


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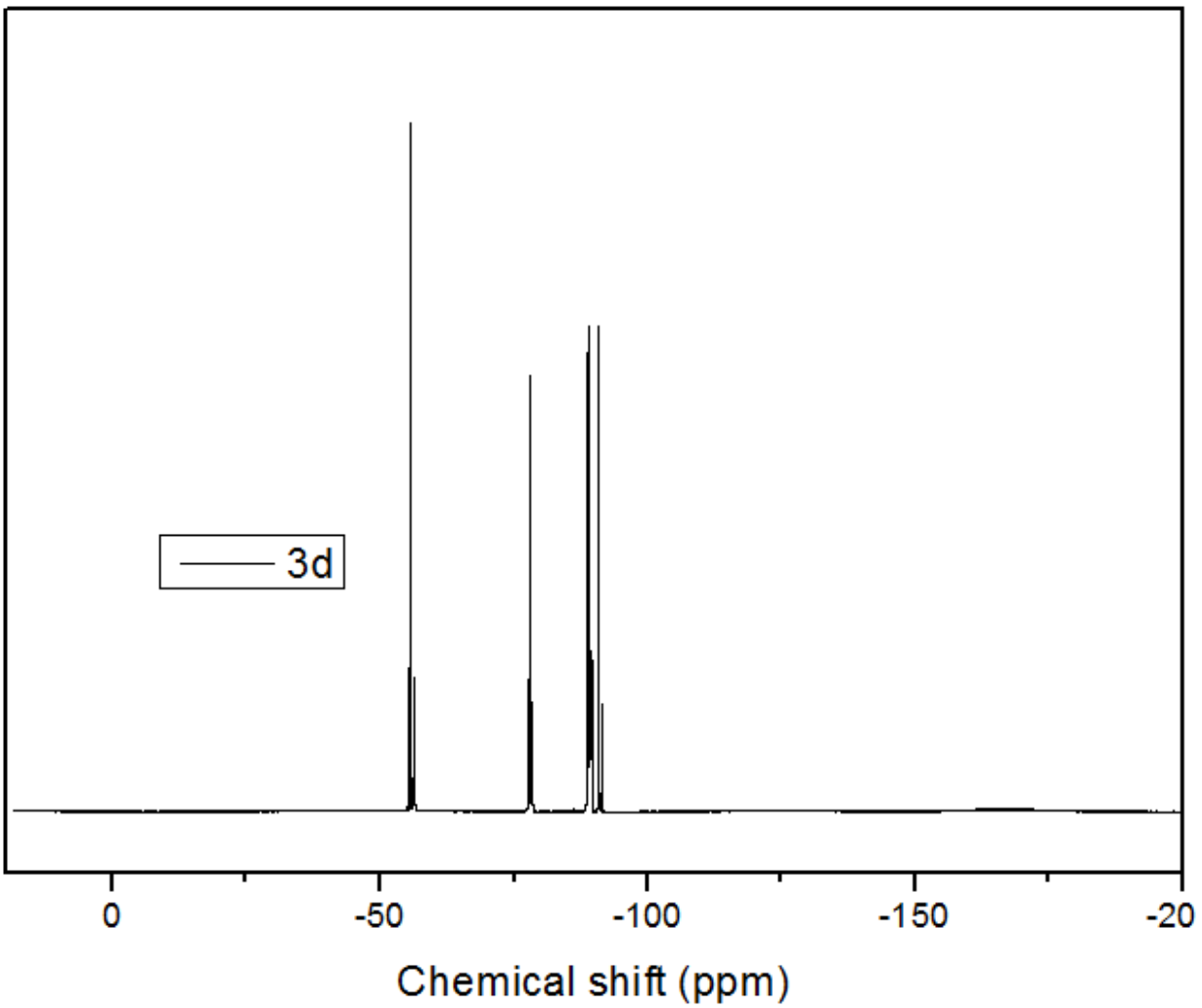


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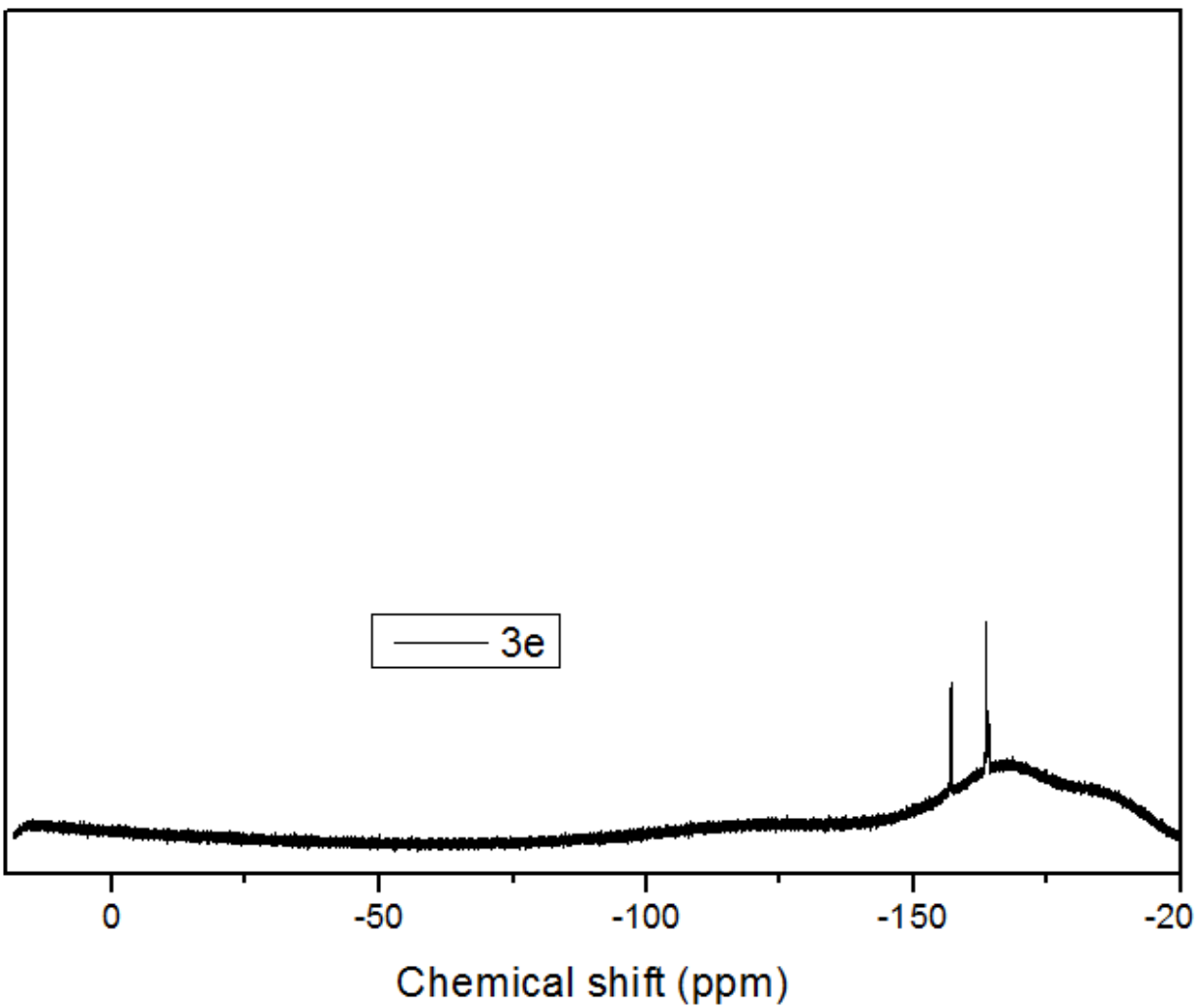


Figure S25: ^{19}F NMR of compound **3e** in CDCl_3 at room temperature.