

**Isothiourea-mediated asymmetric Michael-lactonisation of trifluoromethylenones: a synthetic and mechanistic study**

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**Appendix I:  $^1\text{H}$  and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR Spectra for Novel Compounds and HPLC data**

### 1.1 General information

Reactions involving moisture sensitive reagents were carried out under an argon atmosphere using standard vacuum line techniques in addition to freshly distilled solvents. All glassware used was flame dried and cooled under vacuum.

Solvents (THF, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, toluene, hexane and Et<sub>2</sub>O) were obtained anhydrous and purified by an alumina column (Mbraun SPS-800). Petrol is defined as petroleum ether 40-60 °C. All other solvents and commercial reagents were used as supplied without further purification unless stated otherwise.

Room temperature (rt) refers to 20-25 °C. Temperatures of 0 °C and -78 °C were obtained using ice/water and CO<sub>2</sub>(s)/acetone baths respectively. Temperatures of 0 °C to -50 °C for overnight reactions were obtained using an immersion cooler (HAAKE EK 90). Reflux conditions were obtained using an oil bath equipped with a contact thermometer. *In vacuo* refers to the use of a Büchi Rotavapor R-2000 rotary evaporator with a Vacubrand CVC<sub>2</sub> vacuum controller or a Heidolph Laborota 4001 rotary evaporator with a vacuum controller.

Analytical thin layer chromatography was performed on pre-coated aluminium plates (Kieselgel 60 F<sub>254</sub> silica). TLC visualisation was carried out with ultraviolet light (254 nm), followed by staining with a 1% aqueous KMnO<sub>4</sub> solution. Flash column chromatography was performed on Kieselgel 60 silica in the solvent system stated.

<sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) spectra were acquired on either a Bruker Avance 300 (300 MHz, <sup>1</sup>H, 75 MHz <sup>13</sup>C), Bruker Avance II 400 (400 MHz, <sup>1</sup>H, 100 MHz <sup>13</sup>C) or a Bruker Avance II 400 (500 MHz, <sup>1</sup>H, 125 MHz <sup>13</sup>C) spectrometer at ambient temperature in the deuterated solvent stated. All chemical shifts are quoted in parts per million (ppm) relative to the residual solvent as the internal standard. All coupling constants, J, are quoted in Hz. Multiplicities are indicated by: s (singlet), d (doublet), t (triplet), q (quartet), ABq (AB quartet), sept (septet), oct (octet), m (multiplet), dd (doublet of doublets), ddd (doublet of doublet of doublets), dt (doublet of triplets) and td (triplet of doublets). The abbreviation Ar is used to denote aromatic, br to denote broad and app. to denote apparent.

Infrared spectra ( $\nu_{\text{max}}$ ) were recorded on a Perkin-Elmer Spectrum GX FT-IR spectrometer using either thin films on NaCl plates or KBr discs. Only the characteristic peaks are quoted. Melting points were recorded on an Electrothermal apparatus and are uncorrected.

HPLC analyses were obtained on two separate machines; a Gilson HPLC consisting of a Gilson 305 pump, Gilson 306 pump, Gilson 811C dynamic mixer, Gilson 805 manometric module, Gilson 401C dilutor, Gilson 213XL sample injector and sample detection was performed with a Gilson 118 UV/vis detector while the temperature was assumed to be 20 °C; a Shimadzu HPLC consisting of a DGU-20A5 degasser, LC-20AT liquid chromatograph, SIL-20AHT autosampler, CMB-20A communications bus module, SPD-M20A diode array detector and a CTO-20A column oven which allowed the temperature to be set from 25-40 °C. Separation was achieved using Chiralcel OD-H and OJ-H columns or Chiraldak AD-H, AS-H, IA, IB, IC and ID columns.

Mass spectrometry ( $m/z$ ) data were acquired by electrospray ionisation (ES), electron impact (EI) or nanospray ionisation (NSI) either at the University of St Andrews or the EPSRC National Mass Spectrometry Service Centre, Swansea. At the University of St Andrews, low and high resolution ESI MS were carried out on a

Micromass LCT spectrometer. At the EPSRC National Mass Spectrometry Service Centre, low resolution NSI MS was carried out on a Micromass Quattro II spectrometer and high resolution NSI MS on a Thermo Fisher LTQ Orbitrap XL spectrometer.

Optical rotations were measured on a Perkin Elmer Precisely/Model-341 polarimeter operating at the sodium D line with a 100 mm path cell.

## 1.2 General Experimental procedures

### General procedure A: Formation of trifluoromethyl enones.

Following the procedure outlined by Zhang *et al.*,<sup>4</sup> to a solution of diisopropylamine (2 equiv.) in THF was added nBuLi (2.5M in hexanes, 2 equiv.) at -78 °C and the solution was allowed to stir for 20 minutes. Diethyl methylphosphonate (1 equiv.) was added at -78 °C followed by a further 30 minutes of stirring. (Z)-2,2,2-trifluoro-N-phenylacetimidoyl chloride (1 equiv) was then added slowly followed by stirring at -78 °C for 1 h. A solution of the requisite aldehyde (1 equiv) in THF was then added dropwise at -78 °C. The reaction mixture was then warmed to rt over 2 h and stirred for 16 h. 2 M HCl (4 equiv.) was added and the reaction mixture was stirred for a further 4 h before being extracted with diethyl ether (x 3). The combined organic extracts were washed with sat. aq. NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, brine, dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered and concentrated *in vacuo* to give the crude reaction mixture.

### General procedure B: Michael addition-lactonization with DHPB (Racemic Protocol).

To a solution of acid (1 equiv.) in DCM (~1 mL per 0.2 mmol of acid) were added DIPEA (1.5 equiv.) and pivaloyl chloride (1.5 equiv.) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at 0 °C for 20 minutes. The requisite Michael acceptor (1 equiv.), Lewis base (1-20 mol%) and DIPEA (2.5 equiv.) were then added in that order at the required temperature. The reaction mixture was stirred at the required temperature until complete by TLC and was subsequently quenched by addition of 1M HCl. Once warmed to rt, the reaction mixture was poured into water and extracted twice with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. The combined organics were dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered and concentrated *in vacuo* to give the crude reaction mixture.

### General procedure C: Michael addition-lactonization with chiral isothioureas (Asymmetric Protocol).

To a solution of acid (1 equiv.) in DCM (~1 mL per 0.2 mmol of acid) were added DIPEA (1.5 equiv.) and pivaloyl chloride (1.5 equiv.) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at 0 °C for 20 minutes. The requisite Lewis base (1-20 mol%), Michael acceptor (1 equiv.) and DIPEA (2.5 equiv.) were then added in that order at the required temperature. The reaction mixture was stirred at the required temperature until complete by TLC and was subsequently quenched by addition of 1M HCl. Once warmed to rt, the reaction mixture was poured into water and extracted twice with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. The combined organics were dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered and concentrated *in vacuo* to give the crude reaction mixture.

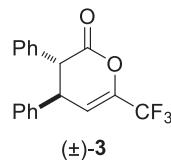
**General procedure D: LiAlH<sub>4</sub> Mediated Rearrangements.**

To a solution of lactone (1 equiv.) in THF at rt was added 2M LiAlH<sub>4</sub> in THF (4 equiv.) and the reaction mixture was allowed to stir for 10 minutes at rt. The reaction mixture was quenched by addition of sat. aq. NaHCO<sub>3</sub> and extracted with diethyl ether (x 3). The combined organic extracts were dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered and concentrated *in vacuo* to give crude the crude reaction mixture.

**1.3 Reaction Optimisation**

**Optimisation studies on compound 3**

**3,4-diphenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2H-pyran-2-one**



Following general procedure B, phenyl acetic acid (27.2 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9 µL, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0 µL, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), DHPB **71** (7.60 mg, 0.04 mmol), enone **2** (40.0 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87 µL, 0.5 mmol) for 30 minutes at rt gave crude lactone **(±)-3** (86:14 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 3.5:96.5) gave lactone **(±)-3** (96:4 dr) as a white solid (41.9 mg, 66%); mp 90-92 °C;  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  (KBr) 3084, 3032, 2962 (C-H), 1774 (C=O), 1702, 1606, δ<sub>H</sub> (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 3.89 (1H, d, *J* 8.8, C(3)H), 3.92-3.98 (1H, m, C(4)H), 6.06 (1H, d, *J* 3.5, C(5)H), 6.94-6.96 (2H, m, ArH), 6.99-7.03 (2H, m, ArH), 7.17-7.24 (6H, m, ArH); δ<sub>C</sub> (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 44.8 (C(4)), 52.8 (C(3)), 110.7 (q, *J* 3.5, C(5)), 118.5 (q, *J* 270, CF<sub>3</sub>), 127.4 (ArC), 128.1 (ArC), 128.2 (ArC), 128.3 (ArC), 128.9 (ArC), 129.2 (ArC), 135.1 (4ry ArC), 138.8 (4ry ArC), 140.9 (q, *J* 38, C(6)), 165.8 (C(2)); δ<sub>F</sub> (282 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -72.6 (CF<sub>3</sub>); *m/z* (NSI<sup>+</sup>) 336 ([M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>, 100%); HRMS (NSI<sup>+</sup>) C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>17</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> ([M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>) requires 336.1206; found 336.1205 (-0.3 ppm).

*Asymmetric Catalyst Screen:*

All reactions for 15 minutes at rt.

(-)Tetramisole hydrochloride **4** (4.82 mg, 0.02 mmol, 10 mol%) gave crude lactone **(3S,4S)-3** (87:13 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 3.5:96.5) gave lactone **(3S,4S)-3** (97:3 dr) as a white solid (38.6 mg, 61%); Chiral HPLC Chiraldak AD-H (5% IPA:hexane, flow rate 1 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm) t<sub>R</sub>(3*R*,4*R*): 10.6 min, t<sub>R</sub>(3*S*,4*S*): 12.0 min, 89% ee.

Benzotetramisole **(2R)-5** (5.04 mg, 0.02 mmol, 10 mol%) gave crude lactone **(3S,4S)-3** (82:18 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 3.5:96.5) gave lactone **(3S,4S)-3** (95:5 dr) as a white solid

(48.5 mg, 76%); Chiral HPLC Chiraldak AD-H (5% IPA:hexane, flow rate 1 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm) t<sub>R</sub>(3*R*,4*R*): 10.5 min, t<sub>R</sub>(3*S*,4*S*): 11.7 min, 77% ee.

Ph/*i*-Pr isothiourea catalyst (2*S*,3*R*)-**6** (6.17 mg, 0.02 mmol, 10 mol%) gave crude lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-**3** (85:15 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 3.5:96.5) gave lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-**3** (97:3 dr) as a white solid (46.3 mg, 73%); Chiral HPLC Chiraldak AD-H (5% IPA:hexane, flow rate 1 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm) t<sub>R</sub>(3*R*,4*R*): 10.6 min, t<sub>R</sub>(3*S*,4*S*): 11.8 min, 95% ee.

#### Temperature Screen:

All reactions with Ph/*i*-Pr isothiourea catalyst (2*S*,3*R*)-**6** (6.17 mg, 0.02 mmol, 10 mol%)

Reaction for 3 h at -30 °C gave crude lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-**3** (86:14 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 3.5:96.5) gave lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-**3** (97:3 dr) as a white solid (50.1 mg, 79%); Chiral HPLC Chiraldak AD-H (5% IPA:hexane, flow rate 1 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm) t<sub>R</sub>(3*R*,4*R*): 11.0 min, t<sub>R</sub>(3*S*,4*S*): 12.4 min, 96% ee.

Reaction for 4 h at -78 °C gave crude lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-**3** (90:10 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 3.5:96.5) gave lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-**3** (98:2 dr) as a white solid (52.5 mg, 83%); Chiral HPLC Chiraldak AD-H (5% IPA:hexane, flow rate 1 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm) t<sub>R</sub>(3*R*,4*R*): 10.8 min, t<sub>R</sub>(3*S*,4*S*): 12.1 min, 99% ee.

#### Catalyst Loading Screen:

All reactions at -78 °C for 16 h.

Ph/*i*-Pr isothiourea catalyst (2*S*,3*R*)-**6** (3.09 mg, 0.01 mmol, 5 mol%) gave crude lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-**3** (90:10 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 3.5:96.5) gave lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-**3** (98:2 dr) as a white solid (50.8 mg, 80%); [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> -227.2 (*c* 0.25, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); Major diastereoisomer: Chiral HPLC Chiraldak AD-H (5% IPA:hexane, flow rate 1 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm) t<sub>R</sub>(3*R*,4*R*): 11.0 min, t<sub>R</sub>(3*S*,4*S*): 12.3 min, 99% ee. Minor diastereoisomer: Chiral HPLC Chiraldak IB (5% IPA:hexane, flow rate 1 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm, 30 °C) t<sub>R</sub>(3*S*,4*R*): 6.4 min, t<sub>R</sub>(3*R*,4*S*): 9.0 min, 99% ee.

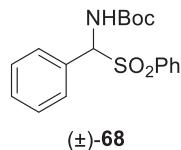
Ph/*i*-Pr isothiourea catalyst (2*S*,3*R*)-**6** (1.23 mg, 0.004 mmol, 2 mol%) gave crude lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-**3** (90:10 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 3.5:96.5) gave lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-**3** (98:2 dr) as a white solid (50.5 mg, 79%); Chiral HPLC Chiraldak AD-H (5% IPA:hexane, flow rate 1 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm) t<sub>R</sub>(3*R*,4*R*): 11.5 min, t<sub>R</sub>(3*S*,4*S*): 12.9 min, 99% ee.

Ph/*i*-Pr isothiourea catalyst (2*S*,3*R*)-**6** (0.62 mg, 0.002 mmol, 1 mol%) gave crude lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-**3** (90:10 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 3.5:96.5) gave lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-**3** (98:2 dr) as a white solid

(50.2 mg, 79%); Chiral HPLC Chiraldak AD-H (5% IPA:hexane, flow rate 1 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm) t<sub>R</sub>(3*R*,4*R*): 11.3 min, t<sub>R</sub>(3*S*,4*S*): 12.6 min, 99% *ee*.

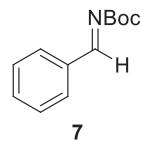
#### 1.4 Improved synthesis of HBTM-2.1

##### *tert*-butyl (phenyl(phenylsulfonyl)methyl)carbamate



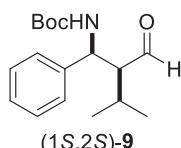
Following the method described by List *et al.*,<sup>9</sup> to a stirred solution of *tert*-butyl carbamate (60.0 g, 0.51 mol) in THF (225 mL) in a 2 L three neck round bottom flask equipped with an overhead stirrer was added water (450 mL), sodium benzenesulfinate (92.3 g, 0.52 mol), benzaldehyde (53.2 mL, 0.52 mmol) and formic acid (110 mL, 2.92 mol). The reaction mixture was stirred for 24 h at rt. The resulting precipitate was filtered and washed with water (200 mL) followed by hexane/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (91/9) (2 × 200 mL). Stirring the combined liquors from filtration and the water wash for a further 24 h provided a second, smaller quantity of solid. The combined solids were dried in an oven at 90 °C until a constant weight was obtained, giving sulfone (±)-68 as a white solid (138 g, 78%); mp 164–165 °C (hexane/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); {lit.<sup>9</sup> mp 153–154 °C (hexane/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>)}; δ<sub>H</sub> (300 MHz, *d*<sub>6</sub>-DMSO) 1.18 (9H, s, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 6.02 (1H, d, *J* 10.7, CH), 7.39–7.43 (3H, m, ArH), 7.61–7.66 (4H, m, ArH), 7.73 (1H, t, *J* 7.4, ArH), 7.85–7.87 (2H, m, ArH) 8.73 (1H, d, *J* 10.7, NH).

##### *tert*-butyl benzylidene carbamate



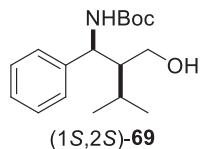
To a stirred solution of potassium carbonate (397 g, 2.88 mol) in water (2.06 L) in a 5 L three neck round bottom flask equipped with an overhead stirrer was added a slurry of sulfone (±)-68a in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1.20 L). The biphasic reaction mixture was stirred at rt for 2.5 h then separated. The aqueous phase was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (2 × 200 mL), the organic portions combined, dried with MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated *in vacuo*. Further drying at 2 mbar for 2 h provided imine 7 as a colorless oil (58.0 g, 98%); δ<sub>H</sub> (300 MHz, (CD<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CO) 1.54 (9H, s, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 7.54–7.57 (2H, m, ArH), 7.62–7.64 (1H, m, ArH), 7.94–7.97 (2H, m, ArH), 8.80 (1H, s, CH).

##### *tert*-butyl ((1*S*,2*S*)-2-formyl-3-methyl-1-phenylbutyl)carbamate



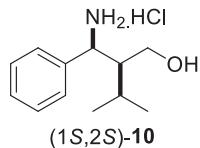
Following the method described by List *et al.*,<sup>9</sup> to a stirred solution of imine **7** (58.0 g, 0.28 mol) in CH<sub>3</sub>CN (2.50 L) in a flame dried 5 L three neck round bottom flask equipped with an overhead stirrer under argon was added isovaleraldehyde (59.3 mL, 0.57 mol). The resulting solution was cooled to 0 °C in an ice/brine bath. (S)-proline (6.51 g, 565 mmol) was added and the reaction mixture was stirred for 14 h at 0 °C before warming to rt. Water (800 mL), Et<sub>2</sub>O (500 mL) and brine (100 mL) was added and the organic layer was separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O (2 × 200 mL). The organic extracts were combined, dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered and concentrated *in vacuo*. Trituration of the resulting solid with hexane (2 × 300 mL) gave aldehyde (1*S,2S*)-**9** (>99:1 dr) as a white solid (77.9 g, 94%); mp 142–146 °C (hexane); {lit.<sup>9</sup> mp 141–142 °C (hexane)}; [α]<sup>20</sup><sub>D</sub> –66.7 (c 1.0 in CHCl<sub>3</sub>); {lit.<sup>9</sup> [α]<sup>20</sup><sub>D</sub> –70.9 (c 0.81 in CHCl<sub>3</sub>)}; δ<sub>H</sub> (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 1.03 (3H, d, *J* 6.9, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.14 (3H, d, *J* 6.9, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.41 (9H, s, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 2.08–2.13 (1H, m, C(3)H), 2.47–2.51 (1H, m, C(2)H), 4.91–5.11 (2H, m, C(1)H and NH), 7.23–7.35 (5H, m, ArH), 9.50 (1H, d, *J* 4.3, C(O)H); Chiral HPLC Chiralcel OD-H (2% IPA:hexane, flow rate 1 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 220 nm, 30 °C) t<sub>R</sub>(3*R,4R*): 8.19 min, t<sub>R</sub>(3*S,4S*): 9.43 min, >99% ee

**tert-butyl ((1*S,2S*)-2-(hydroxymethyl)-3-methyl-1-phenylbutyl)carbamate**



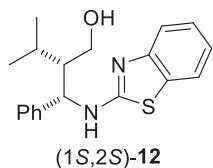
Following a slightly modified method of that described by Smith *et al.*,<sup>10</sup> to a slurry of aldehyde (1*S,2S*)-**9** (77.0 g, 0.26 mmol) in methanol (1.50 L) at 2 °C in a 3 L three neck round bottom flask equipped with an overhead stirrer was added NaBH<sub>4</sub> (15.0 g 0.40 mol) portion wise over 30 mins and the reaction mixture was left to stir for 1 h at rt. Saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> was added (100 mL) drop wise over 10 mins forming a white precipitate. The methanol was removed *in vacuo* and water (1.00 L) and CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (750 mL) was added. The layers were separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (2 × 250 mL). The organic extracts were combined, dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered and concentrated *in vacuo* and dried for 2 h at 2 mbar to give alcohol (1*S,2S*)-**69** as a white solid (67.3 g, 87%); mp 92–94 °C; {lit.<sup>10</sup> mp 106–108 °C}; [α]<sup>20</sup><sub>D</sub> 26.4 (c 1.0 in CHCl<sub>3</sub>); {lit.<sup>10</sup> [α]<sup>20</sup><sub>D</sub> –26.7 (c 0.7 in CHCl<sub>3</sub>)}; δ<sub>H</sub> (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 0.85 (3H, d, *J* 6.9, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.00 (3H, d, *J* 6.4, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.42 (9H, s, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 1.71–1.87 (3H, m, C(2)H, C(3)H), 3.51 (1H, dd, *J* 11.5, 8.7 CHH), 3.67–3.69 (1H, m, CHH), 5.00 (1H, br s, C(1)H), 5.51–5.53 (1H, d, *J* 8.7, NH), 7.24–7.37 (5H, m, ArH).

**(S)-2-((S)-amino(phenyl)methyl)-3-methylbutan-1-ol hydrochloride**



To a slurry of alcohol (*1S,2S*)-**69** (67.0 g, 0.23 mol) in dioxane (200 mL) was added 4M HCl in dioxane (285 mL, 1.14 mol) drop wise over 30 mins and the reaction mixture was left to stir for 12 h at rt. 150 mL of dioxane was removed *in vacuo* and the solution cooled to 15 °C to precipitate a white solid. Et<sub>2</sub>O (100 mL) was added and the precipitate was filtered, washed with Et<sub>2</sub>O (2 × 200 mL) and the resulting white solid dried (15 mbar, 45 °C) for 2 h to give amino alcohol (*1S,2S*)-**10** as a white solid (41.5 g, 79%); mp 142–144 °C; {lit.<sup>10</sup> mp 168–170 °C}; [α]<sup>20</sup><sub>D</sub> –25.0 (c 1.0 in CH<sub>3</sub>OH); {lit.<sup>10</sup> [α]<sup>20</sup><sub>D</sub> –22.9 (c 0.98 in CH<sub>3</sub>OH)}; δ<sub>H</sub> (300 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD) 0.83 (3H, d, *J* 6.8, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.14 (3H, d, *J* 6.7, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.54 (1H, dq, *J* 13.7, 6.8, C(3)H), 2.00–2.09 (1H, m, C(2)H), 3.48 (1H, app. td, *J* 10.5, 9.8, CHH), 3.75 (1H, dd, *J* 10.7, 4.6, CHH), 4.58 (1H, d, *J* 4.2 CHN), 7.40–7.55 (5H, m, ArH).

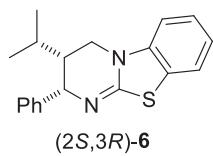
**(*S*)-2-((*S*)-(benzo[d]thiazol-2-ylamino)(phenyl)methyl)-3-methylbutan-1-ol**



(*1S,2S*)-**12**

To a slurry of (*1S,2S*)-**10** (41.0 g, 0.178 mol) in chlorobenzene (250 mL) was added *i*Pr<sub>2</sub>NEt (121 mL, 0.696 mol), 2-chlorobenzothiazole (24.6 mL, 0.189 mol) and the mixture heated to reflux for 70 h. The reaction mixture was cooled to rt, washed with water (2 × 200 mL), dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered and concentrated *in vacuo*. The resulting solid was stirred in hexane (250 mL) for 15 mins, filtered and dried at 2 mbar for 2 h to provide alcohol (*1S,2S*)-**12** as a white solid (51.8 g, 89%); mp 136–139 °C; {lit.<sup>10</sup> mp 137–139 °C}; [α]<sup>20</sup><sub>D</sub> –52.3 (c 1.0 in CHCl<sub>3</sub>); {lit.<sup>10</sup> [α]<sup>20</sup><sub>D</sub> –54.8 (c 0.5 in CHCl<sub>3</sub>)}; δ<sub>H</sub> (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 0.84 (3H, d, *J* 6.8, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.16 (3H, d, *J* 6.8, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.65–1.72 (1H, m, C(3)H), 2.17–2.23 (1H, m, C(2)H), 3.70 (1H, app. t, *J* 10.5, CHH), 3.96 (1H, dd, *J* 10.8, 3.9, CHH), 4.96 (1H, d, *J* 3.76 CHN), 7.03–7.09 (1H, m, ArH), 7.25–7.39 (4H, m, ArH), 7.45 (1H, app d, *J* 8.0, ArH), 7.53–7.55 (3H, m, ArH).

**(*2S,3R*)-3-isopropyl-2-phenyl-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-benzo[4,5]thiazolo[3,2-a]pyrimidine**



(*2S,3R*)-**6**

To a solution of alcohol (*1S,2S*)-**12** (50.0 g, 0.15 mol) and Et<sub>3</sub>N (64.0 mL, 0.46 mol) in anhydrous CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1.00 L) at 5 °C under argon was added methanesulfonylchloride (17.8 mL, 0.23 mol) over 10 mins and the solution allowed to warm to rt. The solution was stirred for 1.5 h at which time NMR spectroscopic analysis indicated the consumption of alcohol (*1S,2S*)-**53**. Methanol (50 mL) was added followed by Et<sub>3</sub>N (64.0 mL, 0.46 mol) and the solution heated to reflux for 1.5 h at which time NMR spectroscopic analysis indicated the formation of isothiourea (*2S,3R*)-**6**. The solution was cooled to rt, washed with water (2 × 400 mL) dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude light brown solid was suspended in EtOAc (250 mL) and heated to reflux for 5 mins causing partial dissolution of the crude solid. Upon cooling to rt and stirring for 1 h, the slurry was

cooled to 0 °C in a ice/water bath for a further 15 mins then filtered to provide a white solid. The solid was dried at 2 mbar for 5 h to give isothiourea (2*S*,3*R*)-**6** as a colorless crystalline solid (40.2 g, 85%); C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>20</sub>N<sub>2</sub>S requires C, 74.07; H, 6.68; N, 9.03%; found C, 74.13; H, 6.61; N, 9.02%; mp 189-190 °C; {lit.<sup>10</sup> mp 136-138 °C}; [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> +355.0 (c 1.0 in CHCl<sub>3</sub>); {lit.<sup>10</sup> [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> +288.4 (c 0.5 in CHCl<sub>3</sub>)}; δ<sub>H</sub> (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 0.89 (3H, d, *J* 6.6, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.18 (3H, d, *J* 6.4, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.30-1.42 (1H, m, CH(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>), 1.95-2.05 (1H, m, C(2)H), 3.40 (1H, app. t, *J* 11.5, CHH), 3.93 (1H, ddd, *J* 11.6, 5.2, 1.7, CHH), 4.97 (1H, dd, *J* 4.4, 1.5, C(3)H), 6.86 (1H, d, *J* 7.9, ArH), 7.08 (1H, td, *J* 7.6, 1.0, ArH), 7.24-7.40 (7H, m, ArH); Chiral HPLC Chiraldak AD-H (20% IPA:hexane, flow rate 1 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 254 nm) t<sub>R</sub>(2*S*,3*R*): 17.6 min >99% ee.

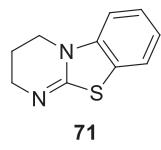
### 1.5 Synthesis of starting materials – DHPB and trifluoromethylenones

#### 3-(benzo[d]thiazol-2-ylamino)propan-1-ol



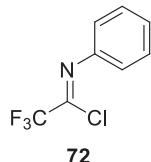
Following the procedure described by Birman *et al.*,<sup>1</sup> to a sealed pressure tube was charged 2-chlorobenzothiazole (1.02 mL, 8.00 mmol), iPr<sub>2</sub>NEt (2.11 mL, 12.0 mmol) and 3-amino-1-propanol (0.61 mL, 8.00 mmol). The tubes were purged with argon and then sealed and heated at 110 °C for 24 h. The reaction mixture was allowed to cool to rt. Chromatographic purification (eluent iPrOH:CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> 10:90) gave alcohol **70** as a white solid (1.24 g, 80%); mp 120-122 °C; {lit.<sup>1</sup> mp 123-124 °C}; δ<sub>H</sub> (400 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD) 1.89 (2H, quintet, *J* 6.6, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.54 (2H, t, *J* 6.9, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.69 (2H, t, *J* 6.2 CH<sub>2</sub>), 7.06 (1H, td, *J* 7.6, 1.0, ArH), 7.22-7.28 (1H, m, ArH), 7.42 (1H, dd, *J* 8.1, 0.6, ArH), 7.57 (1H, dd, *J* 7.9, 0.6, ArH).

#### 3,4-dihydro-2*H*-benzo[4,5]thiazolo[3,2-a]pyrimidine (DHPB)



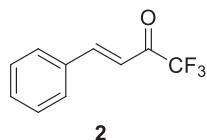
Following the procedure described by Birman *et al.*,<sup>1</sup> to a solution of **70** (4.97 g, 25.6 mmol) in dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (250 mL) at 0 °C under argon was added triethylamine (10.7 mL, 76.8 mmol) and MsCl (2.99 mL, 38.4 mmol). The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at 0 °C for 1 h. The solution was then warmed to rt and methanol (6 mL) was added to quench any remaining MsCl. A further portion of triethylamine (42.0 mL, 302 mmol) was added to the solution and it was stirred at reflux overnight. The cooled reaction mixture was washed with water, dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered and concentrated *in vacuo*. Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>3</sub>N:iPrOH:CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> 1:9:89) gave DHPB **71** as a white solid (4.41 g, 91%); mp 120-121 °C; {lit.<sup>1</sup> mp 122-123 °C}; δ<sub>H</sub> (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 1.95 (2H, quintet, *J* 5.7, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.50 (2H, t, *J* 5.6, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.70 (2H, t, *J* 6.1 CH<sub>2</sub>), 6.66 (1H, dd, *J* 8.0, 0.7, ArH), 6.91 (1H, td, *J* 7.6, 1.1, ArH), 7.11 (1H, td, *J* 7.6, 1.1, ArH), 7.19-7.22 (1H, m, ArH).

**(Z)-2,2,2-trifluoro-N-phenylacetimidoyl chloride**



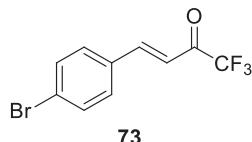
Following the procedure outlined by Tamura *et al.*,<sup>2</sup> a solution of triphenylphosphine (34.6 g, 132 mmol), triethylamine (7.39 mL, 53.0 mmol), trifluoroacetic acid (3.37 mL, 44.0 mmol) and CCl<sub>4</sub> (21 mL) was stirred for 10 minutes before aniline (4.83 mL, 53.0 mmol) was added and the reaction mixture was stirred at reflux for 3 h. The reaction mixture was then concentrated *in vacuo* and the residue taken up in hexane. The precipitate was filtered and washed several times with hexane. The filtered was concentrated *in vacuo* and the residual oil was purified by distillation to give imine **72** as a yellow oil (3.08 g, 34%); bp 50-52 °C (5 mmHg); {lit.<sup>2</sup> bp 55-56 °C (11 mmHg)}; δ<sub>H</sub> (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 6.98-7.02 (2H, m, ArH), 7.18-7.24 (1H, m, ArH), 7.31-7.38 (2H, m, ArH); δ<sub>F</sub> (282 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -72.1 (CF<sub>3</sub>).

**(E)-1,1,1-trifluoro-4-phenylbut-3-en-2-one**



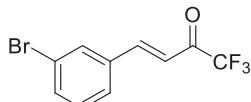
Following general procedure A, diisopropylamine (5.44 mL, 40 mmol) and nBuLi (2.5M in hexanes, 16 mL, 40 mmol) in THF (80 mL), diethyl methylphosphonate (2.96 mL, 20 mmol), imine **72** (4.16 g, 20 mmol) and benzaldehyde (2.04 mL, 20 mmol) in THF (20 mL) followed by 2 M HCl (40 mL, 80 mmol) gave crude reaction mixture. Chromatographic purification (eluent CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>:petrol 5:95) gave enone **2** as a light yellow oil (3.63 g, 91%); δ<sub>H</sub> (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 6.96 (1H, d, *J* 16.0, C(3)H), 7.37-7.45 (3H, m, ArH), 7.57-7.59 (2H, m, ArH), 7.91 (1H, d, *J* 16.0, C(4)H); δ<sub>F</sub> (470 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -77.6 (CF<sub>3</sub>).

**(E)-4-(4-bromophenyl)-1,1,1-trifluorobut-3-en-2-one**



Following general procedure A, diisopropylamine (0.68 mL, 5 mmol) and nBuLi (2.5M in hexanes, 2 mL, 5 mmol) in THF (10 mL), diethyl methylphosphonate (0.37 mL, 2.5 mmol), imine **72** (0.52 g, 2.5 mmol) and 4-bromobenzaldehyde (463 mg, 2.5 mmol) in THF (2.5 mL) followed by 2 M HCl (5 mL, 10 mmol) gave crude reaction mixture. Chromatographic purification (eluent CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>:petrol 3:97) gave enone **73** as a light yellow solid (521 mg, 75%); mp 40-42 °C; {lit.<sup>5</sup> mp 56-57 °C}; δ<sub>H</sub> (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 6.94 (1H, dd, *J* 16.0, 0.8 C(3)H), 7.41-7.45 (2H, m, ArH), 7.51-7.55 (2H, m, ArH), 7.83 (1H, d, *J* 16.0, C(4)H); δ<sub>F</sub> (470 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -78.1 (CF<sub>3</sub>).

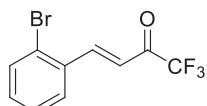
**(E)-4-(3-bromophenyl)-1,1,1-trifluorobut-3-en-2-one**



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Following general procedure A, diisopropylamine (0.68 mL, 5 mmol) and nBuLi (2.5M in hexanes, 2 mL, 5 mmol) in THF (10 mL), diethyl methylphosphonate (0.37 mL, 2.5 mmol), imine **72** (0.52 g, 2.5 mmol) and 3-bromobenzaldehyde (463 mg, 2.5 mmol) in THF (2.5 mL) followed by 2 M HCl (5 mL, 10 mmol) gave crude reaction mixture. Chromatographic purification (eluent CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>:petrol 3:97) gave enone **74** as a light yellow oil (433 mg, 62%);  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  (film) 3067, 2921 (C-H), 1722 (C=O), 1611, 1561;  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 6.93 (1H, dd, *J* 16.0, 0.8, C(3)H), 7.26 (1H, t, *J* 7.9, ArH), 7.48 (1H, d, *J* 7.8, ArH), 7.55 (1H, ddd, *J* 8.0, 1.9, 1.0, ArH), 7.71 (1H, t, *J* 1.8, ArH), 7.80 (1H, d, *J* 16.0, C(4)H);  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 116.3 (q, *J* 289, CF<sub>3</sub>), 117.9 (C(3)), 123.4 (4ry ArC), 127.9 (ArC), 130.7 (ArC), 131.7 (ArC), 135.0 (ArC), 135.3 (4ry ArC), 148.2 (C(4)), 179.8 (q, *J* 35, C(2));  $\delta_{\text{F}}$  (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -78.2 (CF<sub>3</sub>); *m/z* (NSI<sup>+</sup>) 279 ([M+H]<sup>+</sup>, 100%); HRMS (NSI<sup>+</sup>) C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>7</sub><sup>79</sup>BrF<sub>3</sub>O<sup>+</sup> ([M+H]<sup>+</sup>) requires 278.9627; found 278.9626 (-0.3 ppm).

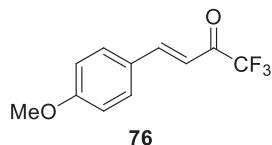
**(E)-4-(2-bromophenyl)-1,1,1-trifluorobut-3-en-2-one**



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Following general procedure A, diisopropylamine (0.68 mL, 5 mmol) and nBuLi (2.5M in hexanes, 2 mL, 5 mmol) in THF (10 mL), diethyl methylphosphonate (0.37 mL, 2.5 mmol), imine **72** (0.52 g, 2.5 mmol) and 2-bromobenzaldehyde (0.29 mL, 2.5 mmol) in THF (2.5 mL) followed by 2 M HCl (5 mL, 10 mmol) gave crude reaction mixture. Chromatographic purification (eluent CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>:petrol 5:95) gave enone **75** as a light yellow oil (453 mg, 65%);  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  (film) 3070, 2923 (C-H), 1724 (C=O), 1603, 1564;  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 6.89 (1H, dd, *J* 16.0, 0.7, C(3)H), 7.18-7.34 (2H, m, ArH), 7.62 (2H, ddd, *J* 15.9, 7.7, 1.7, ArH), 8.29 (1H, d, *J* 16.0, C(4)H);  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 116.3 (q, *J* 289, CF<sub>3</sub>), 119.1 (C(3)), 127.0 (4ry ArC), 128.0 (ArC), 128.2 (ArC), 133.0 (ArC), 133.3 (4ry ArC), 133.9 (ArC), 148.3 (C(4)), 179.8 (q, *J* 36, C(2));  $\delta_{\text{F}}$  (282 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -78.0 (CF<sub>3</sub>); *m/z* (NSI<sup>+</sup>) 279 ([M+H]<sup>+</sup>, 100%); HRMS (NSI<sup>+</sup>) C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>7</sub><sup>79</sup>BrF<sub>3</sub>O<sup>+</sup> ([M+H]<sup>+</sup>) requires 278.9627; found 278.9626 (-0.3 ppm).

**(E)-1,1,1-trifluoro-4-(4-methoxyphenyl)but-3-en-2-one**

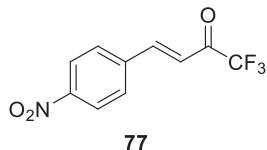


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Following general procedure A, diisopropylamine (0.68 mL, 5 mmol) and nBuLi (2.5M in hexanes, 2 mL, 5 mmol) in THF (10 mL), diethyl methylphosphonate (0.37 mL, 2.5 mmol), imine **72** (0.52 g, 2.5 mmol) and 4-

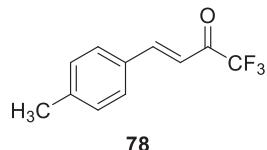
methoxybenzaldehyde (0.31 mL, 2.5 mmol) in THF (2.5 mL) followed by 2 M HCl (5 mL, 10 mmol) gave crude reaction mixture. Chromatographic purification (eluent CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>:petrol 30:70) gave enone **76** as a yellow solid (455 mg, 79%); mp 30-32 °C; {lit.<sup>6</sup> mp 35-37 °C}; δ<sub>H</sub> (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 3.81 (3H, s, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 6.82 (1H, dd, *J* 15.8, 0.8, C(3)H), 6.87-6.90 (2H, m, ArH), 7.52-7.56 (2H, m, ArH), 7.87 (1H, d, *J* 15.8, C(4)H); δ<sub>F</sub> (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -78.0 (CF<sub>3</sub>).

**(E)-1,1,1-trifluoro-4-(4-nitrophenyl)but-3-en-2-one**



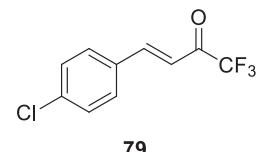
Following general procedure A, diisopropylamine (0.68 mL, 5 mmol) and nBuLi (2.5M in hexanes, 2 mL, 5 mmol) in THF (10 mL), diethyl methylphosphonate (0.37 mL, 2.5 mmol), imine **72** (0.52 g, 2.5 mmol) and 4-nitrobenzaldehyde (378 mg, 2.5 mmol) in THF (2.5 mL) followed by 2 M HCl (5 mL, 10 mmol) gave crude reaction mixture. Chromatographic purification (eluent CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>:petrol 30:70) gave enone **77** as a yellow solid (428 mg, 70%); mp 80-82 °C; {lit.<sup>4</sup> mp 98-99 °C}; δ<sub>H</sub> (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 7.05 (1H, dd, *J* 16.1, 0.7, C(3)H), 7.72-7.76 (2H, m, ArH), 7.91 (1H, d, *J* 16.1, C(4)H), 8.23-8.26 (2H, m, ArH); δ<sub>F</sub> (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -78.2 (CF<sub>3</sub>).

**(E)-1,1,1-trifluoro-4-(*p*-tolyl)but-3-en-2-one**



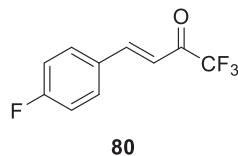
Following general procedure A, diisopropylamine (0.68 mL, 5 mmol) and nBuLi (2.5M in hexanes, 2 mL, 5 mmol) in THF (10 mL), diethyl methylphosphonate (0.37 mL, 2.5 mmol), imine **72** (0.52 g, 2.5 mmol) and 4-methylbenzaldehyde (0.30 mL, 2.5 mmol) in THF (2.5 mL) followed by 2 M HCl (5 mL, 10 mmol) gave crude reaction mixture. Chromatographic purification (eluent CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>:petrol 5:95) gave enone **78** as a light yellow solid (476 mg, 89%); mp 30-32 °C; {lit.<sup>7</sup> mp 35 °C}; δ<sub>H</sub> (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 2.44 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 7.00 (1H, dd, *J* 15.9, 0.7, C(3)H), 7.28-7.30 (2H, m, ArH), 7.57 (2H, d, *J* 8.2, ArH), 7.98 (1H, d, *J* 15.9, C(4)H); δ<sub>F</sub> (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -78.0 (CF<sub>3</sub>).

**(E)-4-(4-chlorophenyl)-1,1,1-trifluorobut-3-en-2-one**



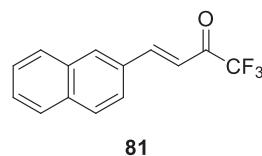
Following general procedure A, diisopropylamine (0.68 mL, 5 mmol) and nBuLi (2.5M in hexanes, 2 mL, 5 mmol) in THF (10 mL), diethyl methylphosphonate (0.37 mL, 2.5 mmol), imine **72** (0.52 g, 2.5 mmol) and 4-chlorobenzaldehyde (351 mg, 2.5 mmol) in THF (2.5 mL) followed by 2 M HCl (5 mL, 10 mmol) gave crude reaction mixture. Chromatographic purification (eluent CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>:petrol 5:95) gave enone **79** as a white solid (444 mg, 76%); mp 42-44 °C; {lit.<sup>4</sup> mp 59-61 °C}; δ<sub>H</sub> (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 6.92 (1H, dd, *J* 16.0, 0.8 C(3)H), 7.34-7.39 (2H, m, ArH), 7.49-7.54 (2H, m, ArH), 7.85 (1H, d, *J* 16.0, C(4)H); δ<sub>F</sub> (282 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -78.1 (CF<sub>3</sub>).

**(E)-1,1,1-trifluoro-4-(4-fluorophenyl)but-3-en-2-one**



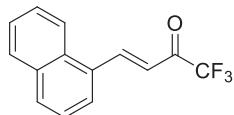
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**(E)-1,1,1-trifluoro-4-(naphthalen-2-yl)but-3-en-2-one**



Following general procedure A, diisopropylamine (0.68 mL, 5 mmol) and nBuLi (2.5M in hexanes, 2 mL, 5 mmol) in THF (10 mL), diethyl methylphosphonate (0.37 mL, 2.5 mmol), imine **72** (0.52 g, 2.5 mmol) and 2-naphthaldehyde (391 mg, 2.5 mmol) in THF (2.5 mL) followed by 2 M HCl (5 mL, 10 mmol) gave crude reaction mixture. Chromatographic purification (eluent CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>:petrol 5:95) gave enone **81** as a light yellow solid (476 mg, 76%); mp 65-67 °C; {lit.<sup>8</sup> mp 62-64 °C}; δ<sub>H</sub> (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 7.06 (1H, dd, *J* 15.9, 0.7, C(3)H), 7.47-7.54 (2H, m, ArH), 7.68 (1H, dd, *J* 8.6, 1.7, ArH), 7.79-7.85 (3H, m, ArH), 8.01 (1H, s, ArH), 8.07 (1H, d, *J* 15.9, C(4)H); δ<sub>F</sub> (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -78.0 (CF<sub>3</sub>).

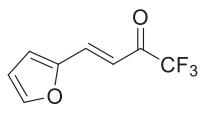
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**82**

Following general procedure A, diisopropylamine (0.68 mL, 5 mmol) and nBuLi (2.5M in hexanes, 2 mL, 5 mmol) in THF (10 mL), diethyl methylphosphonate (0.37 mL, 2.5 mmol), imine **72** (0.52 g, 2.5 mmol) and 1-naphthaldehyde (0.34 mL, 2.5 mmol) in THF (2.5 mL) followed by 2 M HCl (5 mL, 10 mmol) gave crude reaction mixture. Chromatographic purification (eluent CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>:petrol 5:95) gave enone **82** as a yellow oil (555 mg, 82%); δ<sub>H</sub> (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 7.08 (1H, d, *J* 15.7, C(3)*H*), 7.45-7.60 (3H, m, Ar*H*), 7.84-7.88 (2H, m, Ar*H*), 7.94 (1H, d, *J* 8.2, Ar*H*), 8.15 (1H, d, *J* 8.5, Ar*H*), 8.80 (1H, d, *J* 15.7, C(4)*H*); δ<sub>F</sub> (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -78.0 (CF<sub>3</sub>).

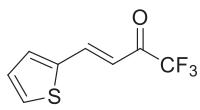
**(E)-1,1,1-trifluoro-4-(furan-2-yl)but-3-en-2-one**



**83**

Following general procedure A, diisopropylamine (0.68 mL, 5 mmol) and nBuLi (2.5M in hexanes, 2 mL, 5 mmol) in THF (10 mL), diethyl methylphosphonate (0.37 mL, 2.5 mmol), imine **72** (0.52 g, 2.5 mmol) and furfuraldehyde (0.21 mL, 2.5 mmol) in THF (2.5 mL) followed by 2 M HCl (5 mL, 10 mmol) gave crude reaction mixture. Chromatographic purification (eluent CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>:petrol 10:90) gave enone **83** as a yellow oil (273 mg, 57%); δ<sub>H</sub> (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 6.51 (1H, dd, *J* 3.5, 1.8, Ar*H*), 6.80-6.85 (2H, m, C(3)*H* and Ar*H*), 7.54-7.55 (1H, m, Ar*H*), 7.62 (1H, d, *J* 15.6, C(4)*H*); δ<sub>F</sub> (282 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -78.1 (CF<sub>3</sub>).

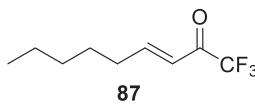
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**84**

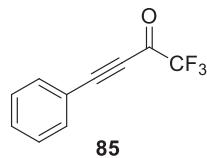
Following general procedure A, diisopropylamine (0.68 mL, 5 mmol) and nBuLi (2.5M in hexanes, 2 mL, 5 mmol) in THF (10 mL), diethyl methylphosphonate (0.37 mL, 2.5 mmol), imine **72** (0.52 g, 2.5 mmol) and thiophene-2-carbaldehyde (0.23 mL, 2.5 mmol) in THF (2.5 mL) followed by 2 M HCl (5 mL, 10 mmol) gave crude reaction mixture. Chromatographic purification (eluent CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>:petrol 10:90) gave enone **84** as a light yellow oil (460 mg, 89%); δ<sub>H</sub> (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 6.71 (1H, d, *J* 15.6, C(3)*H*), 7.08 (1H, dd, *J* 5.0, 3.8, Ar*H*), 7.41 (1H, d, *J* 3.6, Ar*H*), 7.51 (1H, d, *J* 5.0, Ar*H*), 8.00 (1H, d, *J* 15.6, C(4)*H*); δ<sub>F</sub> (282 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -78.0 (CF<sub>3</sub>).

**(E)-1,1,1-trifluororonon-3-en-2-one**



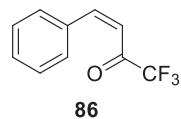
Following general procedure A, diisopropylamine (1.36 mL, 10.0 mmol) and nBuLi (2.5M in hexanes, 4 mL, 10.0 mmol) in THF (20 mL), diethyl methylphosphonate (0.74 mL, 5.00 mmol), imine **72** (1.04 g, 5.00 mmol) and hexanal (0.61 mL, 5.00 mmol) in THF (10 mL) followed by 2 M HCl (10 mL, 20 mmol) gave crude reaction mixture. Chromatographic purification (eluent CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>:petrol 10:90) gave enone **87** as a light yellow oil (740 mg, 76%); δ<sub>H</sub> (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 0.93 (3H, t, *J* 7.1, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.33-1.37 (4H, m, 2CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.53-1.58 (2H, m, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.36 (2H, qd, *J* 7.4, 1.2, CH<sub>2</sub>C=), 6.44 (1H, dd, *J* 15.8, 0.9, C(3)H), 7.36 (1H, dt, *J* 15.3, 7.4, C(4)H).

**1,1,1-trifluoro-4-phenylbut-3-yn-2-one**



To a solution of phenylacetylene (1.00 mL, 9.12 mmol) in THF (25 mL) at -78 °C was added n-BuLi (3.65 mL, 9.12 mmol) and the reaction mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 20 minutes. A solution of ethyl trifluoroacetate (1.09 mL, 9.12 mmol) in THF (15 mL) was added followed by boron trifluoride diethyl etherate (1.37 mL, 10.9 mmol) and the reaction mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 2 h. The reaction mixture was quenched by dropwise addition of sat. aq. NaCl and extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O (x 3). The combined organic extracts were dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered and concentrated *in vacuo* to give the crude reaction mixture. Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 20:80) gave alkyne **85** as a yellow oil (1.80 g, quant.); δ<sub>H</sub> (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 7.36-7.41 (2H, m, Ar(3)H), 7.48-7.54 (1H, m, Ar(4)H), 7.60-7.64 (2H, m, Ar(2)H); δ<sub>F</sub> (282 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -78.3 (CF<sub>3</sub>).

**(Z)-1,1,1-trifluoro-4-phenylbut-3-en-2-one**

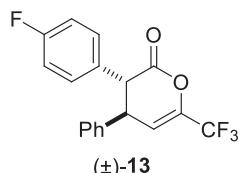


To a solution of alkyne **85** (1.80 g, 9.10 mmol) in THF (50 mL) at rt was added 5% Palladium on calcium carbonate (968 mg, 0.46 mmol) and hydrogen gas was bubbled through the solution using an appended balloon for 4 h at rt. The reaction mixture was filtered through celite and the filtrate was concentrated *in vacuo* to give the crude reaction mixture. Chromatographic purification (eluent 100% petrol) gave enone **86** as a light yellow oil (730 mg, 40%); ν<sub>max</sub> (film) 3067, 2965 (C-H), 1719 (C=O), 1593, 1568; δ<sub>H</sub> (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 6.52 (1H, dd, *J* 12.9, 0.7, C(3)H), 7.29 (1H, d, *J* 12.9, C(4)H), 7.42-7.50 (3H, m, ArH), 7.87-7.91 (2H, m, Ar(2)H); δ<sub>C</sub> (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 116.3 (q, *J* 290, CF<sub>3</sub>), 116.7 (C(3)), 128.4 (ArC), 131.2 (ArC), 131.6 (ArC(4)), 133.7 (4ry

*ArC(1)), 151.9 (C(4)), 179.1 (q, *J* 34.3, C(2));  $\delta_F$  (282 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -79.0 (CF<sub>3</sub>); *m/z* (APCI<sup>+</sup>) 201 ([M+H]<sup>+</sup>, 100%); HRMS (APCI<sup>+</sup>) C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>8</sub>F<sub>3</sub>O<sup>+</sup> ([M+H]<sup>+</sup>) requires 201.0522; found 201.0520 (-0.9 ppm).*

### 1.6 Examples – acid and enone variation

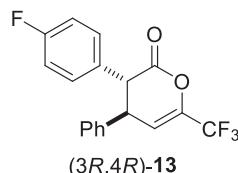
#### 3-(4-fluorophenyl)-4-phenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one



(±)-13

Following general procedure B, 4-fluorophenylacetic acid (30.8 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), DHPB **71** (7.60 mg, 0.04 mmol), enone **2** (40.0 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 1 h at rt gave crude lactone (±)-13 (83:17 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 5:95) gave lactone (±)-13 (>99:1 dr) as a white solid (53.6 mg, 80%); mp 79–81 °C;  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  (KBr) 3088, 2928 (C–H), 1772 (C=O), 1702, 1611, 1518;  $\delta_H$  (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 3.83–3.94 (2H, m, C(3)H and C(4)H), 6.07 (1H, d, *J* 2.9, C(5)H), 6.87–6.97 (6H, m, ArH), 7.17–7.24 (3H, m, ArH);  $\delta_C$  (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 44.9 (C(4)), 52.1 (C(3)), 111.0 (q, *J* 3.5, C(5)), 115.9 (d, *J* 21.5, ArC), 118.4 (q, *J* 270, CF<sub>3</sub>), 127.4 (ArC), 128.2 (ArC), 129.2 (ArC), 130.2 (d, *J* 8.2, ArC), 130.7 (d, *J* 3.4, 4ry ArC), 138.5 (4ry ArC), 140.9 (q, *J* 38.0, C(6)), 162.3 (d, *J* 246, 4ry ArC), 165.7 (C(2));  $\delta_F$  (282 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -72.6 (CF<sub>3</sub>), -114.2 (ArF); *m/z* (NSI<sup>+</sup>) 354 ([M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>, 100%); HRMS (NSI<sup>+</sup>) C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>16</sub>F<sub>4</sub>NO<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> ([M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>) requires 354.1112; found 354.1115 (+0.9 ppm).

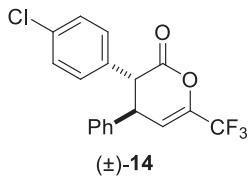
#### (3*R*,4*R*)-3-(4-fluorophenyl)-4-phenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one



(3*R*,4*R*)-13

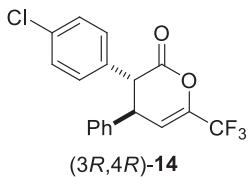
Following general procedure C, 4-fluorophenylacetic acid (30.8 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), Ph/i-Pr isothiourea catalyst (2*S*,3*R*)-**6** (3.09 mg, 0.01 mmol, 5 mol%), enone **2** (40.0 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 16 h at -78 °C gave crude lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-13 (90:10 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 5:95) gave lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-13 (>99:1 dr) as a white solid (54.3 mg, 81%);  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  -256.0 (*c* 0.1, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); Chiral HPLC Chiralcel OD-H (10% IPA:hexane, flow rate 1 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm) t<sub>R</sub>(3*R*,4*R*): 19.2 min, t<sub>R</sub>(3*S*,4*S*): 39.4 min, 99% ee.

#### 3-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-phenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one



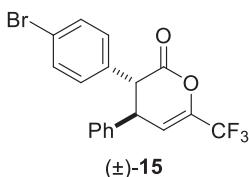
Following general procedure B, 4-chlorophenylacetic acid (34.1 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), DHPB **71** (7.60 mg, 0.04 mmol), enone **2** (40.0 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 1 h at rt gave crude lactone ( $\pm$ )-**14** (84:16 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 5:95) gave lactone ( $\pm$ )-**14** (>99:1 dr) as a white solid (56.0 mg, 79%); mp 91–93 °C;  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  (KBr) 3086, 3031 (C–H), 1771 (C=O), 1701, 1602;  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 3.84 (1H, d, *J* 10.2, C(3)*H*), 3.89–3.93 (1H, m, C(4)*H*), 6.06 (1H, d, *J* 2.8, C(5)*H*), 6.89–6.93 (4H, m, Ar*H*), 7.17–7.23 (5H, m, Ar*H*);  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 44.7 (C(4)), 52.3 (C(3)), 111.1 (q, *J* 3.4, C(5)), 118.4 (q, *J* 270, CF<sub>3</sub>), 127.4 (ArC), 128.2 (ArC), 129.1 (ArC), 129.2 (ArC), 129.9 (ArC), 133.3 (4ry ArC), 134.1 (4ry ArC), 138.4 (4ry ArC), 140.9 (q, *J* 38.0, C(6)), 165.5 (C(2));  $\delta_{\text{F}}$  (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -72.6 (CF<sub>3</sub>); *m/z* (NSI<sup>+</sup>) 353 ([M+H]<sup>+</sup>, 100%); HRMS (NSI<sup>+</sup>) C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>13</sub><sup>35</sup>ClF<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> ([M+H]<sup>+</sup>) requires 353.0551; found 353.0551 (+0.1 ppm).

#### (3*R*,4*R*)-3-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-phenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one



Following general procedure C, 4-chlorophenylacetic acid (34.1 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), Ph-*i*-Pr isothiourea catalyst (2*S*,3*R*)-**6** (3.09 mg, 0.01 mmol, 5 mol%), enone **2** (40.0 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 16 h at -78 °C gave crude lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-**14** (91:9 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 5:95) gave lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-**14** (>99:1 dr) as a white solid (58.2 mg, 83%);  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  -226.0 (*c* 0.25, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); Chiral HPLC Chiralcel OD-H (5% IPA:hexane, flow rate 1 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm) t<sub>R</sub>(3*R*,4*R*): 25.4 min, t<sub>R</sub>(3*S*,4*S*): 40.3 min, 96% ee.

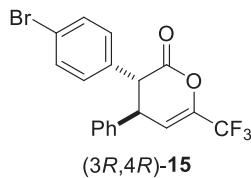
#### 3-(4-bromophenyl)-4-phenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one



Following general procedure B, 4-bromophenylacetic acid (43.0 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), DHPB **71** (7.60 mg, 0.04 mmol), enone **2** (40.0 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 30 minutes at rt gave crude lactone ( $\pm$ )-**15** (84:16 dr).

Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 3.5:96.5) gave lactone ( $\pm$ )-**15** (>99:1 dr) as a white solid (56.2 mg, 71%); mp 66–68 °C;  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  (KBr) 3089, 3030, 2961 (C–H), 1784 (C=O), 1700;  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 3.83 (1H, d, *J* 10.2, C(3)H), 3.88–3.95 (1H, m, C(4)H), 6.06 (1H, d, *J* 2.6, C(5)H), 6.83–6.87 (2H, m, ArH), 6.90–6.94 (2H, m, ArH), 7.17–7.24 (3H, m, ArH), 7.32–7.36 (2H, m, ArH);  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 44.7 (C(4)), 52.3 (C(3)), 111.0 (q, *J* 3.3, C(5)), 118.4 (q, *J* 270, CF<sub>3</sub>), 122.3 (4ry ArC), 127.4 (ArC), 128.2 (ArC), 129.3 (ArC), 130.2 (ArC), 132.0 (ArC), 133.9 (4ry ArC), 138.4 (4ry ArC), 140.7 (q, *J* 37.9, C(6)), 165.4 (C(2));  $\delta_{\text{F}}$  (282 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -72.6 (CF<sub>3</sub>); *m/z* (NSI<sup>+</sup>) 414 ([M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>, 61%); HRMS (NSI<sup>+</sup>) C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>16</sub><sup>79</sup>BrF<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> ([M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>) requires 414.0311; found 414.0310 (-0.2 ppm).

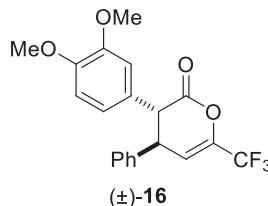
**(3*R*,4*R*)-3-(4-bromophenyl)-4-phenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one**



(3*R*,4*R*)-**15**

Following general procedure C, 4-bromophenylacetic acid (43.0 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9 μL, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0 μL, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), Ph-*i*-Pr isothiourea catalyst (2*S*,3*R*)-**6** (3.09 mg, 0.01 mmol, 5 mol%), enone **2** (40.0 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87 μL, 0.5 mmol) for 16 h at -78 °C gave crude lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-**15** (90:10 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 3.5:96.5) gave lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-**15** (>99:1 dr) as a white solid (56.9 mg, 72%);  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  -198.5 (*c* 0.2, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); Chiral HPLC Chiralpak AD-H (2% IPA:hexane, flow rate 1 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm) t<sub>R</sub>(3*S*,4*S*): 23.5 min, t<sub>R</sub>(3*R*,4*R*): 25.5 min, 95% ee.

**3-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-4-phenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one**

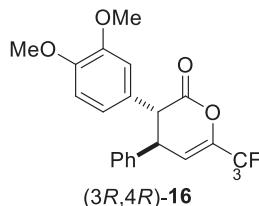


( $\pm$ )-**16**

Following general procedure B, 3,4-dimethoxyphenylacetic acid (39.2 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9 μL, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0 μL, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), DHPB **71** (7.60 mg, 0.04 mmol), enone **2** (40.0 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87 μL, 0.5 mmol) for 1 h at rt gave crude lactone ( $\pm$ )-**16** (80:20 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 30:70) gave lactone ( $\pm$ )-**16** (84:16 dr) as a colourless oil (60.0 mg, 79%);  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  (thin film) 3088, 3006, 2934 (C–H), 1790 (C=O), 1698, 1594, 1516;  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 3.71 (3H, s, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 3.78 (3H, s, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 3.84 (1H, d, *J* 8.8, C(3)H), 3.89–3.94 (1H, m, C(4)H), 6.07 (1H, d, *J* 3.5, C(5)H), 6.48 (1H, d, *J* 2.1, ArH), 6.57 (1H, dd, *J* 8.3, 2.1, ArH), 6.70 (1H, d, *J* 8.3, ArH), 6.94–6.98 (2H, m, ArH), 7.17–7.25 (3H, m, ArH);  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 45.0 (C(4)), 52.4 (C(3)), 55.9 (OCH<sub>3</sub>), 55.9 (OCH<sub>3</sub>), 110.7 (q, *J* 3.5, C(5)), 112.8 (ArC), 111.3 (ArC), 118.5 (q, *J* 270, CF<sub>3</sub>), 120.6 (ArC), 127.4 (ArC) 127.4 (4ry ArC),

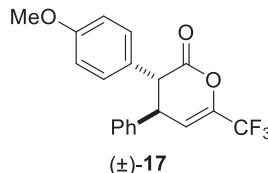
128.1 (*ArC*), 129.2 (*ArC*), 138.9 (4ry *ArC*), 140.9 (q, *J* 38.0, *C*(6)), 148.8 (4ry *ArC*), 149.1 (4ry *ArC*), 165.9 (*C*(2));  $\delta_F$  (282 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -72.6 (CF<sub>3</sub>); *m/z* (NSI<sup>+</sup>) 379 ([M+H]<sup>+</sup>, 100%); HRMS (NSI<sup>+</sup>) C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>18</sub>F<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> ([M+H]<sup>+</sup>) requires 379.1152; found 379.1149 (-0.7 ppm).

**(3*R*,4*R*)-3-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-4-phenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one**



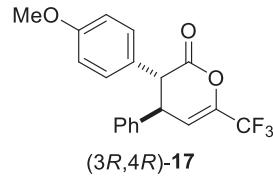
Following general procedure C, 3,4-dimethoxyphenylacetic acid (39.4 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), Ph/*i*-Pr isothiourea catalyst (2*S*,3*R*)-6 (3.09 mg, 0.01 mmol, 5 mol%), enone 2 (40.0 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 16 h at -78 °C gave crude lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-16 (90:10 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 30:70) gave lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-16 (92:8 dr) as a white solid (66.1 mg, 87%);  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  -268.0 (*c* 0.1, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); Chiral HPLC Chiralpak AD-H (5% IPA:hexane, flow rate 1 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm) t<sub>R</sub>(3*S*,4*S*): 19.6 min, t<sub>R</sub>(3*R*,4*R*): 21.1 min, 98% *ee*.

**3-(4-methoxyphenyl)-4-phenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one**



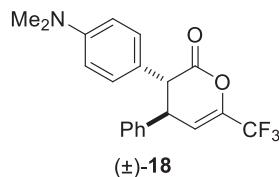
Following general procedure B, p-methoxyphenylacetic acid (33.2 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), DHPB 71 (7.60 mg, 0.04 mmol), enone 2 (40.0 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 1 h at rt gave crude lactone (±)-17 (82:18 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 10:90) gave lactone (±)-17 (>99:1 dr) as a white solid (52.0 mg, 75%); mp 90-92 °C;  $\nu_{\max}$  (KBr) 3033, 2961 (C-H), 2840, 1784 (C=O), 1700, 1614, 1586, 1516;  $\delta_H$  (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 3.69 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.84 (1H, d, *J* 9.0, C(3)*H*), 3.89-3.93 (1H, m, C(4)*H*), 6.05 (1H, d, *J* 3.5, C(5)*H*), 6.73-6.76 (2H, m, Ar*H*), 6.91-6.96 (4H, m, Ar*H*), 7.17-7.23 (3H, m, Ar*H*);  $\delta_C$  (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 44.8 (C(4)), 52.0 (C(3)), 55.3 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 110.8 (q, *J* 3.5, C(5)), 114.3 (Ar*C*), 118.5 (q, *J* 270, CF<sub>3</sub>), 127.0 (4ry Ar*C*), 127.4 (Ar*C*), 128.0 (Ar*C*), 129.2 (Ar*C*), 129.4 (Ar*C*), 138.9 (4ry Ar*C*), 140.8 (q, *J* 37.9, C(6)), 159.3 (4ry Ar*C*), 166.1 (C(2));  $\delta_F$  (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -72.6 (CF<sub>3</sub>); *m/z* (NSI<sup>+</sup>) 366 ([M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>, 100%); HRMS (NSI<sup>+</sup>) C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>19</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup> ([M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>) requires 366.1312; found 366.1318 (+1.8 ppm).

**(3*R*,4*R*)-3-(4-methoxyphenyl)-4-phenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one**



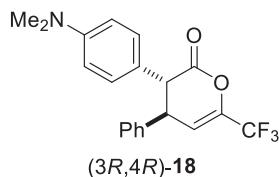
Following general procedure C, p-methoxyphenylacetic acid (33.2 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), Ph/i-Pr isothiourea catalyst (2*S*,3*R*)-6 (3.09 mg, 0.01 mmol, 5 mol%), enone **2** (40.0 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 16 h at -78 °C gave crude lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-17 (92:8 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 10:90) gave lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-17 (98:2 dr) as a white solid (58.9 mg, 85%);  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  -199.5 (*c* 0.2, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); Chiral HPLC Chiralpak AD-H (2% IPA:hexane, flow rate 1 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm) t<sub>R</sub>(3*R*,4*R*): 28.7 min, t<sub>R</sub>(3*S*,4*S*): 31.2 min, 98% ee.

### 3-(4-(dimethylamino)phenyl)-4-phenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one



Following general procedure B, 2-(4-(dimethylamino)phenyl)acetic acid (35.8 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), DHPB **71** (7.60 mg, 0.04 mmol), enone **2** (40.0 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 1 h at rt gave crude lactone (±)-18 (80:20 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 15:85) gave lactone (±)-18 (85:15 dr) as a yellow oil (64.6 mg, 89%);  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  (thin film) 3088, 3031, 2922 (C-H), 1790 (C=O), 1698, 1615, 1525;  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 2.85 (6H, s, 2 NCH<sub>3</sub>), 3.83 (1H, d, *J* 7.6, C(3)H), 3.88-3.93 (1H, m, C(4)H), 6.04 (1H, d, *J* 4.1, C(5)H), 6.53-6.58 (2H, m, ArH), 6.87-6.91 (2H, m, ArH), 6.98-7.01 (2H, m, ArH), 7.15-7.25 (3H, m, ArH);  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 40.4 (2 NCH<sub>3</sub>), 44.8 (C(4)), 51.8 (C(3)), 110.4 (q, *J* 3.4, C(5)), 112.6 (ArC), 118.6 (q, *J* 270, CF<sub>3</sub>), 122.4 (4ry ArC), 127.4 (ArC), 127.9 (ArC), 128.7 (ArC), 129.2 (ArC), 139.3 (4ry ArC), 140.8 (q, *J* 37.8, C(6)), 150.2 (4ry ArC), 166.3 (C(2));  $\delta_{\text{F}}$  (282 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -72.6 (CF<sub>3</sub>); *m/z* (NSI<sup>+</sup>) 362 ([M+H]<sup>+</sup>, 100%); HRMS (NSI<sup>+</sup>) C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>19</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> ([M+H]<sup>+</sup>) requires 362.1362; found 362.1362 (-0.1 ppm).

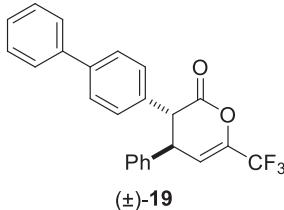
### (3*R*,4*R*)-3-(4-(dimethylamino)phenyl)-4-phenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one



Following general procedure C, 2-(4-(dimethylamino)phenyl)acetic acid (35.8 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), Ph/i-Pr isothiourea catalyst (2*S*,3*R*)-6 (3.09 mg, 0.01 mmol, 5 mol%), enone **2** (40.0 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 16

h at -78 °C gave crude lactone (*3R,4R*)-**18** (95:5 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 15:85) gave lactone (*3R,4R*)-**18** (95:5 dr) as a colourless oil (57.5 mg, 80%);  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  -286.5 (*c* 0.2, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); Chiral HPLC Chiraldpak AD-H (2% IPA:hexane, flow rate 2 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm) t<sub>R</sub>(*3R,4R*): 14.9 min, t<sub>R</sub>(*3S,4S*): 16.8 min, 99% *ee*.

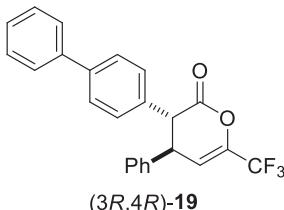
**3-([1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl)-4-phenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one**



(±)-**19**

Following general procedure B, biphenylacetic acid (42.4 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9 μL, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0 μL, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), DHPB **71** (7.60 mg, 0.04 mmol), enone **2** (40.0 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87 μL, 0.5 mmol) for 1 h at rt gave crude lactone (±)-**19** (85:15 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 5:95) gave lactone (±)-**19** (98:2 dr) as a white solid (57.5 mg, 73%);  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  (KBr) 3085, 3031 (C-H), 1771 (C=O), 1705, 1600; δ<sub>H</sub> (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 3.92-4.01 (2H, s, C(3)H and C(4)H), 6.08 (1H, d, *J* 3.4, C(5)H), 6.96-6.99 (2H, m, ArH), 7.06-7.09 (2H, m, ArH), 7.15-7.37 (6H, m, ArH), 7.42-7.49 (4H, m, ArH); δ<sub>C</sub> (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 44.8 (C(4)), 52.5 (C(3)), 110.8 (q, *J* 3.4, C(5)), 118.5 (q, *J* 270, CF<sub>3</sub>), 127.1 (ArC), 127.4 (ArC), 127.6 (ArC), 127.6 (ArC), 128.1 (ArC), 128.7 (ArC), 128.8 (ArC), 129.2 (ArC), 134.0 (4ry ArC), 138.8 (4ry ArC), 140.3 (4ry ArC), 140.9 (q, *J* 38.0, C(6)), 141.0 (4ry ArC), 165.8 (C(2)); δ<sub>F</sub> (282 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -72.6 (CF<sub>3</sub>); *m/z* (NSI<sup>+</sup>) 395 ([M+H]<sup>+</sup>, 100%); HRMS (NSI<sup>+</sup>) C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>18</sub>F<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> ([M+H]<sup>+</sup>) requires 395.1253; found 395.1246 (-1.9 ppm).

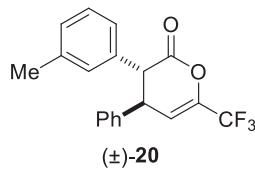
**(3*R,4R*)-3-([1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl)-4-phenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one**



(3*R,4R*)-**19**

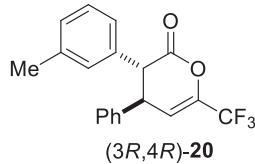
Following general procedure C, biphenylacetic acid (42.4 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9 μL, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0 μL, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), Ph/i-Pr isothiourea catalyst (2*S,3R*)-**6** (3.09 mg, 0.01 mmol, 5 mol%), enone **2** (40.0 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87 μL, 0.5 mmol) for 16 h at -78 °C gave crude lactone (*3R,4R*)-**19** (90:10 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 5:95) gave lactone (*3R,4R*)-**19** (98:2 dr) as a white solid (70.4 mg, 89%);  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  -297.0 (*c* 0.1, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); Chiral HPLC Chiraldpak AD-H (2% IPA:hexane, flow rate 2 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm) t<sub>R</sub>(*3S,4S*): 14.0 min, t<sub>R</sub>(*3R,4R*): 16.8 min, 98% *ee*.

**4-phenyl-3-(*m*-tolyl)-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one**



Following general procedure B, *m*-tolylacetic acid (30.0 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), DHPB **71** (7.60 mg, 0.04 mmol), enone **2** (40.0 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 1 h at rt gave crude lactone ( $\pm$ )-**20** (84:16 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 3:97) gave lactone ( $\pm$ )-**20** (97:3 dr) as a white solid (49.9 mg, 75%); mp 52-54 °C;  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  (KBr) 3079, 3031 (C-H), 2921, 1779 (C=O), 1698, 1611;  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 2.23 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.87 (1H, d, *J* 8.1, C(3)*H*), 3.92-3.96 (1H, m, C(4)*H*), 6.05 (1H, d, *J* 3.8, C(5)*H*), 6.81-6.84 (2H, m, Ar*H*), 6.97-7.02 (3H, m, Ar*H*), 7.11 (1H, t, *J* 7.6, Ar*H*), 7.16-7.24 (3H, m, Ar*H*);  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 21.4 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 44.8 (C(4)), 52.7 (C(3)), 110.5 (q, *J* 3.5, C(5)), 118.5 (q, *J* 270, CF<sub>3</sub>), 125.1 (ArC), 127.4 (ArC), 128.1 (ArC), 128.8 (ArC), 128.9 (ArC), 129.2 (ArC), 135.1 (4ry ArC), 138.7 (4ry ArC), 138.9 (4ry ArC), 140.8 (q, *J* 38.0, C(6)), 165.8 (C(2));  $\delta_{\text{F}}$  (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -72.7 (CF<sub>3</sub>); *m/z* (NSI<sup>+</sup>) 350 ([M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>, 100%); HRMS (NSI<sup>+</sup>) C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>19</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> ([M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>) requires 350.1362; found 350.1367 (+1.3 ppm).

**(3*R*,4*R*)-4-phenyl-3-(*m*-tolyl)-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one**

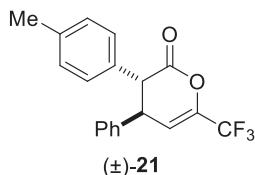


Following general procedure C, *m*-tolylacetic acid (30.0 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), Ph-*i*-Pr isothiourea catalyst (2*S*,3*R*)-**6** (3.09 mg, 0.01 mmol, 5 mol%), enone **2** (40.0 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 16 h at -78 °C gave crude lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-**20** (94:6 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 3:97) gave lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-**20** (99:1 dr) as a white solid (60.1 mg, 91%);  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  -219.5 (*c* 0.2, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); Chiral HPLC Chiralcel OD-H (2% IPA:hexane, flow rate 1 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm) t<sub>R</sub>(3*R*,4*R*): 18.4 min, t<sub>R</sub>(3*S*,4*S*): 27.7 min, >99% ee.

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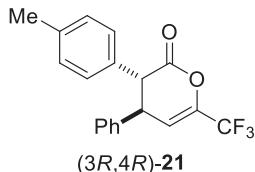
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**4-phenyl-3-(*p*-tolyl)-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one**



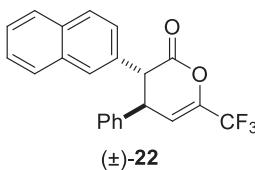
Following general procedure B, *p*-tolylacetic acid (30.0 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), DHPB **71** (7.60 mg, 0.04 mmol), enone **2** (40.0 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 1 h at rt gave crude lactone ( $\pm$ )-**21** (84:16 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 3:97) gave lactone ( $\pm$ )-**21** (94:6 dr) as a white solid (55.6 mg, 84%); mp 88-90 °C;  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  (KBr) 3083, 3030 (C-H), 1773 (C=O), 1700, 1519;  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 2.23 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.87 (1H, d, *J* 8.6, C(3)*H*), 3.92-3.95 (1H, m, C(4)*H*), 6.04 (1H, d, *J* 3.7, C(5)*H*), 6.90-6.92 (2H, m, Ar*H*), 6.95-6.98 (2H, m, Ar*H*), 7.02-7.04 (2H, m, Ar*H*), 7.15-7.23 (3H, m, Ar*H*);  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 21.1 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 44.7 (C(4)), 52.4 (C(3)), 110.7 (q, *J* 3.5, C(5)), 118.5 (q, *J* 270, CF<sub>3</sub>), 127.4 (ArC), 128.0 (ArC), 128.0 (ArC), 129.2 (ArC), 129.7 (ArC), 132.0 (4ry ArC), 138.0 (4ry ArC), 138.9 (4ry ArC), 140.8 (q, *J* 38.0, C(6)), 166.0 (C(2));  $\delta_{\text{F}}$  (282 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -72.6 (CF<sub>3</sub>); *m/z* (NSI<sup>+</sup>) 350 ([M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>, 100%); HRMS (NSI<sup>+</sup>) C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>19</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> ([M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>) requires 350.1362; found 350.1366 (+1.0 ppm).

**(3*R*,4*R*)-4-phenyl-3-(*p*-tolyl)-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one**



Following general procedure C, *p*-tolylacetic acid (30.0 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), Ph/*i*-Pr isothiourea catalyst (2*S*,3*R*)-**6** (3.09 mg, 0.01 mmol, 5 mol%), enone **2** (40.0 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 16 h at -78 °C gave crude lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-**21** (93:7 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 3:97) gave lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-**21** (98:2 dr) as a white solid (49.8 mg, 75%);  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  -219.0 (*c* 0.2, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); Chiral HPLC Chiraldpak AD-H (2% IPA:hexane, flow rate 1 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm) t<sub>R</sub>(3*S*,4*S*): 14.0 min, t<sub>R</sub>(3*R*,4*R*): 16.4 min, 98% ee.

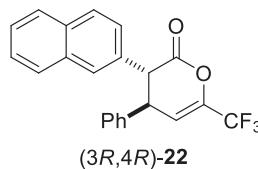
**3-(naphthalen-2-yl)-4-phenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one**



Following general procedure B, 2-naphthylacetic acid (37.2 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), DHPB **71** (7.60 mg, 0.04 mmol), enone **2** (40.0 mg,

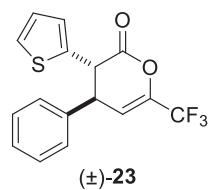
0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 1 h at rt gave crude lactone ( $\pm$ )-**22** (86:14 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 5:95) gave lactone ( $\pm$ )-**22** (95:5 dr) as a colourless oil (55.9 mg, 76%);  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  (thin film) 3088, 2962 (C-H), 1791 (C=O), 1701, 1602, 1509;  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 4.05 (2H, s, C(3)H and C(4)H), 6.07 (1H, s, C(5)H), 6.96-6.98 (2H, m, ArH), 7.13-7.19 (4H, m, ArH), 7.36-7.40 (3H, m, ArH), 7.61-7.64 (1H, m, ArH), 7.71-7.74 (2H, m, ArH);  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 44.7 (C(4)), 52.9 (C(3)), 110.8 (q, *J* 3.5, C(5)), 118.5 (q, *J* 270, CF<sub>3</sub>), 125.5 (ArC), 126.5 (ArC), 126.5 (ArC), 127.4 (ArC), 127.7 (ArC), 127.9 (ArC), 128.1 (ArC), 128.9 (ArC), 129.2 (ArC), 132.3 (4ry ArC), 132.8 (4ry ArC), 133.2 (4ry ArC), 138.7 (4ry ArC), 140.9 (q, *J* 38.0, C(6)), 165.8 (C(2));  $\delta_{\text{F}}$  (282 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -72.6 (CF<sub>3</sub>); *m/z* (NSI<sup>+</sup>) 386 ([M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>, 56%); HRMS (NSI<sup>+</sup>) C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>19</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> ([M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>) requires 386.1362; found 386.1364 (+0.4 ppm).

**(3*R*,4*R*)-3-(naphthalen-2-yl)-4-phenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one**



Following general procedure C, 2-naphthylacetic acid (37.2 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), Ph/i-Pr isothiourea catalyst (2*S*,3*R*)-**6** (3.09 mg, 0.01 mmol, 5 mol%), enone **2** (40.0 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 16 h at -78 °C gave crude lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-**22** (94:6 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 5:95) gave lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-**22** (98:2 dr) as a colourless oil (64.5 mg, 88%);  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  -289.0 (*c* 0.1, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); Chiral HPLC Chiralcel OD-H (20% IPA:hexane, flow rate 1 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm) t<sub>R</sub>(3*R*,4*R*): 18.0 min, t<sub>R</sub>(3*S*,4*S*): 27.6 min, 97% *ee*.

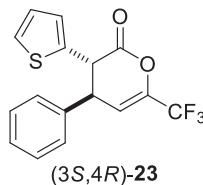
**4-phenyl-3-(thiophen-2-yl)-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one**



Following general procedure B, 2-(thiophen-2-yl)acetic acid (28.4 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), DHPB **71** (7.60 mg, 0.04 mmol), enone **2** (40.0 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 1 h at -78 °C gave crude lactone ( $\pm$ )-**23** (82:18 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 5:95) gave lactone ( $\pm$ )-**23** (95:5 dr) as a white solid (45.7 mg, 71%); mp 51-53 °C;  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  (KBr) 3084, 2921 (C-H), 1775 (C=O), 1702;  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 3.98-4.01 (1H, m, C(4)H), 4.24 (1H, d, *J* 6.8, C(3)H), 6.09 (1H, d, *J* 4.5, C(5)H), 6.78 (1H, dt, *J* 3.5, 0.9, ArH), 6.85 (1H, dd, *J* 5.1, 3.6, ArH), 7.03-7.06 (2H, m, ArH), 7.18-7.29 (4H, m, ArH);  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 45.3 (C(4)), 48.1 (C(3)), 109.9 (q, *J* 3.5, C(5)), 118.4 (q, *J* 270, CF<sub>3</sub>), 125.9 (ArC), 127.0 (ArC), 127.1 (ArC), 127.2 (ArC), 128.4 (ArC), 129.4 (ArC), 136.5 (4ry ArC), 138.2 (4ry ArC), 141.1 (q, *J* 38.2, C(6)), 164.4 (C(2));  $\delta_{\text{F}}$  (282 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -

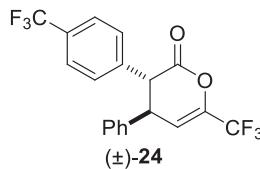
72.7 ( $\text{CF}_3$ );  $m/z$  ( $\text{NSI}^+$ ) 342 ( $[\text{M}+\text{NH}_4]^+$ , 100%); HRMS ( $\text{NSI}^+$ )  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{15}\text{F}_3\text{NO}_2\text{S}^+$  ( $[\text{M}+\text{NH}_4]^+$ ) requires 342.0770; found 342.0775 (+1.4 ppm).

**(3*S*,4*R*)-4-phenyl-3-(thiophen-2-yl)-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one**



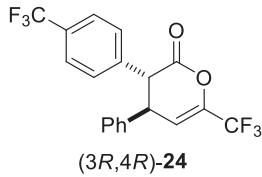
Following general procedure C, 2-(thiophen-2-yl)acetic acid (28.4 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), Ph/i-Pr isothiourea catalyst (*2S,3R*)-**6** (3.09 mg, 0.01 mmol, 5 mol%), enone **2** (40.0 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.5 mmol) for 16 h at -78 °C gave crude lactone (*3R,4R*)-**23** (87:13 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent  $\text{Et}_2\text{O}$ :petrol 5:95) gave lactone (*3R,4R*)-**23** (96:4 dr) as a white solid (48.4 mg, 75%);  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  -248.0 (*c* 0.25,  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ); Chiral HPLC Chiralpak AD-H (2% IPA:hexane, flow rate 2 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm)  $t_R$ (*3S,4R*): 5.8 min,  $t_R$ (*3R,4S*): 8.4 min, 89% *ee*.

**4-phenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one**



Following general procedure B, 2-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)acetic acid (40.8 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), DHPB **71** (7.60 mg, 0.04 mmol), enone **2** (40.0 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.5 mmol) for 16 h at rt gave crude lactone (±)-**24** (81:19 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent  $\text{Et}_2\text{O}$ :petrol 5:95) gave lactone (±)-**24** (>99:1 dr) as a white solid (35.0 mg, 45%); mp 80–82 °C;  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  (KBr) 3030, 2926 (C–H), 1780 (C=O), 1621;  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) 3.94–3.96 (2H, m, C(3)*H* and C(4)*H*), 6.09 (1H, d, *J* 2.3, C(5)*H*), 6.91–6.93 (2H, m, Ar*H*), 7.10 (2H, d, *J* 8.1, Ar*H*), 7.19–7.22 (3H, m, Ar*H*), 7.48 (2H, d, *J* 8.1, Ar*H*);  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) 44.7 (C(4)), 52.6 (C(3)), 111.1 (q, *J* 3.3, C(5)), 118.4 (q, *J* 270,  $\text{CF}_3$ ), 123.8 (q, *J* 271,  $\text{CF}_3$ ), 125.8 (q, *J* 3.6, ArC), 127.4 (ArC), 128.3 (ArC), 129.0 (ArC), 129.3 (ArC), 130.4 (q, *J* 32.4, 4ry ArC), 138.1 (4ry ArC), 138.8 (4ry ArC), 141.0 (q, *J* 38.2, C(6)), 165.2 (C(2));  $\delta_{\text{F}}$  (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) -63.2 ( $\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{CF}_3$ ), -72.6 ( $\text{CF}_3$ );  $m/z$  ( $\text{NSI}^+$ ) 404 ( $[\text{M}+\text{NH}_4]^+$ , 82%); HRMS ( $\text{NSI}^+$ )  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{16}\text{F}_6\text{NO}_2^+$  ( $[\text{M}+\text{NH}_4]^+$ ) requires 404.1080; found 404.1080 (+0.1 ppm).

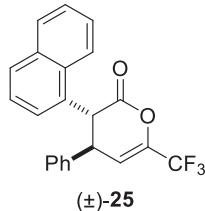
**(3*R*,4*R*)-4-phenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one**



(3*R*,4*R*)-24

Following general procedure C, 2-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)acetic acid (40.8 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), Ph/i-Pr isothiourea catalyst (2*S*,3*R*)-6 (3.09 mg, 0.01 mmol, 5 mol%), enone 2 (40.0 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 72 h at -30 °C gave crude lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-24 (86:14 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 5:95) gave lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-24 (99:1 dr) as a white solid (46.2 mg, 60%);  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  -153.6 (*c* 0.125, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); Chiral HPLC Chiralpak AD-H (2% IPA:hexane, flow rate 1 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm) t<sub>R</sub>(3*S*,4*S*): 16.2 min, t<sub>R</sub>(3*R*,4*R*): 18.8 min, 64% *ee*.

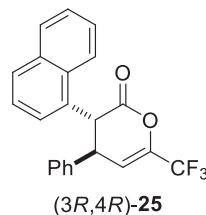
### 3-(naphthalen-1-yl)-4-phenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one



(±)-25

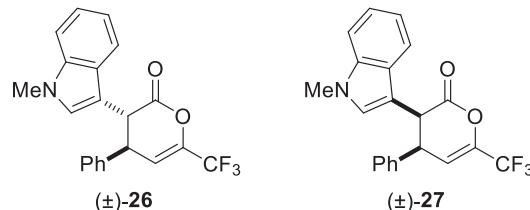
Following general procedure B, 1-naphthylacetic acid (37.2 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), DHPB 71 (7.60 mg, 0.04 mmol), enone 2 (40.0 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 1 h at rt gave crude lactone (±)-25 (90:10 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 4:96) gave lactone (±)-25 (91:9 dr) as a colourless oil (66.2 mg, 90%);  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  (thin film) 3087, 2962 (C-H), 1780 (C=O), 1702, 1600, 1512;  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 4.09-4.13 (1H, m, C(4)*H*), 4.64 (1H, d, *J* 6.7, C(3)*H*), 6.03 (1H, d, *J* 4.5, C(5)*H*), 6.98-7.01 (2H, m, Ar*H*), 7.12 (1H, d, *J* 6.8, Ar*H*), 7.16-7.23 (3H, m, Ar*H*), 7.29 (1H, t, *J* 7.7, Ar*H*), 7.40-7.49 (2H, m, Ar*H*), 7.72-7.82 (3H, m, Ar*H*);  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 44.3 (C(4)), 49.6 (C(3)), 110.4 (q, *J* 3.5, C(5)), 118.6 (q, *J* 270, CF<sub>3</sub>), 122.8 (ArC), 125.3 (ArC), 125.8 (ArC), 126.0 (ArC), 126.9 (ArC), 127.2 (ArC), 128.2 (ArC), 129.2 (ArC), 129.4 (ArC), 129.6 (ArC), 130.5 (4ry ArC), 131.5 (4ry ArC), 134.3 (4ry ArC), 139.2 (4ry ArC), 140.8 (q, *J* 38.0, C(6)), 165.6 (C(2));  $\delta_{\text{F}}$  (282 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -72.6 (CF<sub>3</sub>); *m/z* (NSI<sup>+</sup>) 369 ([M+H]<sup>+</sup>, 100%); HRMS (NSI<sup>+</sup>) C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>16</sub>F<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> ([M+H]<sup>+</sup>) requires 369.1097; found 369.1087 (-2.7 ppm).

### (3*R*,4*R*)-3-(naphthalen-1-yl)-4-phenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one



Following general procedure C, 1-naphthylacetic acid (37.2 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), Ph*i*-Pr isothiourea catalyst (*2S,3R*)-**6** (3.09 mg, 0.01 mmol, 5 mol%), enone **2** (40.0 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 16 h at -78 °C gave crude lactone (*3R,4R*)-**25** (67:33 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 4:96) gave lactone (*3R,4R*)-**25** (71:29 dr) as a colourless oil (65.0 mg, 88%);  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  -303.0 (c 0.1, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); Chiral HPLC Chiralcel OD-H (5% IPA:hexane, flow rate 1 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm) t<sub>R</sub>(*3S,4S*): 18.5 min, t<sub>R</sub>(*3R,4R*): 26.0 min, 97% ee.

3-(1-methyl-1*H*-indol-3-yl)-4-phenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one



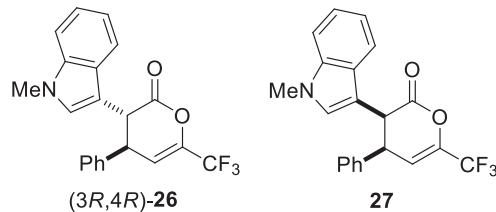
Following general procedure B, 2-(1-methyl-1*H*-indol-3-yl)acetic acid (37.8 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), DHPB **71** (7.60 mg, 0.04 mmol), enone **2** (40.0 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 1 h at rt gave crude lactone ( $\pm$ )-**26** and ( $\pm$ )-**27** (68:32 dr).

Major (*anti*) Diastereoisomer: Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 10:90) gave lactone ( $\pm$ )-**26** (96:4 dr) as a white solid (50.1 mg, 68%); mp 126–128 °C;  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  (KBr) 3033, 2939 (C–H), 1780 (C=O), 1699, 1616, 1544;  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 3.66 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 4.06–4.08 (1H, m, C(4)H), 4.26 (1H, d, *J* 4.8, C(3)H), 6.05 (1H, d, *J* 5.1, C(5)H), 6.78 (1H, s, ArH), 7.07–7.12 (3H, m, ArH), 7.18–7.28 (5H, m, ArH), 7.52 (1H, d, *J* 7.9, ArH);  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 32.9 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 44.0 (C(4)), 44.7 (C(3)), 108.4 (4ry ArC), 109.6 (q, *J* 3.4, C(5)), 109.8 (ArC), 118.6 (ArC), 118.6 (q, *J* 270, CF<sub>3</sub>), 119.9 (ArC), 122.4 (ArC), 126.1 (4ry ArC), 126.6 (ArC), 127.1 (ArC), 128.1 (ArC), 129.4 (ArC), 137.0 (4ry ArC), 139.1 (4ry ArC), 141.1 (q, *J* 37.7, C(6)), 165.2 (C(2));  $\delta_{\text{F}}$  (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -72.6 (CF<sub>3</sub>); *m/z* (NSI<sup>+</sup>) 389 ([M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>, 100%); HRMS (NSI<sup>+</sup>) C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>20</sub>F<sub>3</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> ([M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>) requires 389.1471; found 389.1474 (+0.7 ppm).

Minor (*syn*) Diastereoisomer: Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 10:90) gave lactone ( $\pm$ )-27 (>99:1 dr) as a yellow oil (15.0 mg, 20%);  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  (KBr) 3032, 2934 (C-H), 1791 (C=O), 1700, 1616, 1550;  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 3.55 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 4.00 (1H, td, *J* 6.4, 1.4, C(4)*H*), 4.64 (1H, d, *J* 6.7, C(3)*H*), 6.23 (1H, d, *J*

6.0, C(5)H), 6.40 (1H, s, ArH), 6.86-6.71 (2H, m, ArH), 7.00 (1H, ddd, *J* 7.9, 6.9, 1.1, ArH), 7.05-7.09 (2H, m, ArH), 7.12-7.16 (2H, m, ArH), 7.19-7.23 (2H, m, ArH);  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 32.8 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 42.7 (C(4)), 42.9 (C(3)), 104.8 (4ry ArC), 109.5 (ArC), 111.5 (q, *J* 3.4, C(5)), 117.7 (ArC), 118.7 (q, *J* 270, CF<sub>3</sub>), 119.4 (ArC), 121.8 (ArC), 127.2 (4ry ArC), 128.2 (ArC), 128.6 (ArC), 128.8 (ArC), 135.6 (4ry ArC), 136.2 (4ry ArC), 141.8 (q, *J* 37.7, C(6)), 166.0 (C(2));  $\delta_{\text{F}}$  (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -72.4 (CF<sub>3</sub>); *m/z* (NSI<sup>+</sup>) 372 ([M+H]<sup>+</sup>, 18%); HRMS (NSI<sup>+</sup>) C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>17</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> ([M+H]<sup>+</sup>) requires 372.1206; found 372.1211 (+1.4 ppm).

**(3*R*,4*R*)-3-(1-methyl-1*H*-indol-3-yl)-4-phenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one**

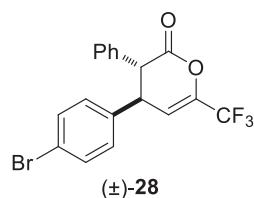


Following general procedure C, 2-(1-methyl-1*H*-indol-3-yl)acetic acid (37.8 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), Ph-*i*-Pr isothiourea catalyst (2*S*,3*R*)-5 (3.09 mg, 0.01 mmol, 5 mol%), enone **2** (40.0 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 16 h at -30 °C gave crude lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-**26** and **27** (74:26 dr).

Major (*anti*) Diastereoisomer: Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 10:90) gave lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-**26** (98:2 dr) as a yellow solid (50.2 mg, 68%);  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  -164.0 (*c* 0.225, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); Chiral HPLC Chiraldpak AD-H (5% IPA:hexane, flow rate 1 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm) t<sub>R</sub>(3*R*,4*R*): 21.1 min, t<sub>R</sub>(3*S*,4*S*): 34.9 min, 96% *ee*.

Minor (*syn*) Diastereoisomer: Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 10:90) gave lactone **27** (>99:1 dr) as a yellow oil (19.1 mg, 26%);  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  +47.5 (*c* 0.2, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); Chiral HPLC Chiraldpak AD-H (2% IPA:hexane, flow rate 1 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm) t<sub>R</sub>: 16.0 min, t<sub>R</sub>: 20.0 min, 28% *ee*.

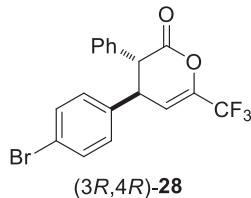
**4-(4-bromophenyl)-3-phenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one**



Following general procedure B, phenylacetic acid (27.2 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), DHPB **71** (7.60 mg, 0.04 mmol), enone **73** (55.8 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 1 h at rt gave crude lactone (±)-**28** (86:14 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 4.5:95.5) gave lactone (±)-**28** (>99:1 dr) as a white solid (46.4 mg, 58%); mp 58-60 °C;  $v_{\text{max}}$  (KBr) 3088, 3033, 2926 (C-H), 1780 (C=O), 1703;  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 3.82 (1H, d, *J* 9.6,

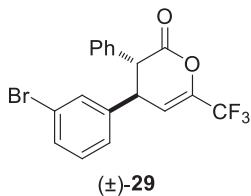
C(3)H), 3.91–3.96 (1H, m, C(4)H), 6.02 (1H, dd, *J* 3.4, 0.5, C(5)H), 6.80–6.83 (2H, m, ArH), 6.97–7.00 (2H, m, ArH), 7.21–7.26 (3H, m, ArH), 7.30–7.34 (2H, m, ArH);  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 44.3 (*C*(4)), 52.6 (*C*(3)), 110.2 (q, *J* 3.4, *C*(5)), 118.4 (q, *J* 270, CF<sub>3</sub>), 122.1 (4ry *ArC*), 128.3 (*ArC*), 128.3 (*ArC*), 129.0 (*ArC*), 129.1 (*ArC*), 132.3 (*ArC*), 134.6 (4ry *ArC*), 137.8 (4ry *ArC*), 141.2 (q, *J* 38.1, *C*(6)), 165.4 (*C*(2));  $\delta_{\text{F}}$  (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -72.7 (CF<sub>3</sub>); *m/z* (NSI<sup>+</sup>) 414 ([M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>, 62%); HRMS (NSI<sup>+</sup>) C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>16</sub><sup>79</sup>BrF<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> ([M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>) requires 414.0311; found 414.0311 (+0.0 ppm).

**(3*R*,4*R*)-4-(4-bromophenyl)-3-phenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one**



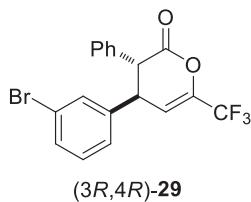
Following general procedure C, phenylacetic acid (27.2 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), Ph/*i*-Pr isothiourea catalyst (2*S*,3*R*)-6 (3.09 mg, 0.01 mmol, 5 mol%), enone 73 (55.8 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 16 h at -78 °C gave crude lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-28 (88:12 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 4.5:95.5) gave lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-28 (99:1 dr) as a white solid (54.0 mg, 68%);  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  -252.0 (*c* 0.1, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); Chiral HPLC Chiralcel OD-H (5% IPA:hexane, flow rate 1 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm) t<sub>R</sub>(3*R*,4*R*): 26.9 min, t<sub>R</sub>(3*S*,4*S*): 30.8 min, 98% *ee*.

**4-(3-bromophenyl)-3-phenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one**



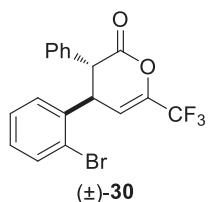
Following general procedure B, phenylacetic acid (27.2 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), DHPB 71 (7.60 mg, 0.04 mmol), enone 74 (55.8 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 1 h at rt gave crude lactone (±)-29 (88:12 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 4.5:95.5) gave lactone (±)-29 (>99:1 dr) as a white solid (57.6 mg, 73%); mp 70–72 °C;  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  (KBr) 3083, 2960 (C–H), 1774 (C=O), 1702, 1592, 1570;  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 3.85 (1H, d, *J* 9.3, C(3)H), 3.89–3.96 (1H, m, C(4)H), 6.02 (1H, dd, *J* 3.2, C(5)H), 6.84 (1H, dd, *J* 6.6, 1.2, ArH), 6.98–7.12 (4H, m, ArH), 7.21–7.33 (4H, m, ArH);  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 44.4 (*C*(4)), 52.6 (*C*(3)), 109.9 (q, *J* 3.5, *C*(5)), 118.4 (q, *J* 270, CF<sub>3</sub>), 123.1 (4ry *ArC*), 126.1 (*ArC*), 128.3 (*ArC*), 128.4 (*ArC*), 129.1 (*ArC*), 130.5 (*ArC*), 130.7 (*ArC*), 131.3 (*ArC*), 134.5 (4ry *ArC*), 141.0 (4ry *ArC*), 141.3 (q, *J* 38.2, *C*(6)), 165.3 (*C*(2));  $\delta_{\text{F}}$  (282 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -72.7 (CF<sub>3</sub>); *m/z* (NSI<sup>+</sup>) 414 ([M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>, 68%); HRMS (NSI<sup>+</sup>) C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>16</sub><sup>79</sup>BrF<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> ([M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>) requires 414.0311; found 414.0313 (+0.5 ppm).

**(3*R*,4*R*)-4-(3-bromophenyl)-3-phenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one**



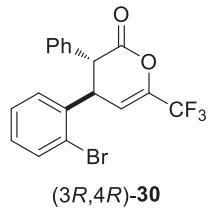
Following general procedure C, phenylacetic acid (27.2 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), Ph/i-Pr isothiourea catalyst (2*S*,3*R*)-**6** (3.09 mg, 0.01 mmol, 5 mol%), enone **74** (55.8 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 16 h at -78 °C gave crude lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-**29** (80:20 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 4.5:95.5) gave lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-**29** (99:1 dr) as a white solid (51.0 mg, 64%);  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  -227.0 (*c* 0.1, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); Chiral HPLC Chiralcel OD-H (5% IPA:hexane, flow rate 1 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm) t<sub>R</sub>(3*R*,4*R*): 24.3 min, t<sub>R</sub>(3*S*,4*S*): 47.5 min, 97% ee.

**4-(2-bromophenyl)-3-phenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one**



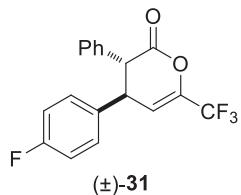
Following general procedure B, phenylacetic acid (27.2 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), DHPB **71** (7.60 mg, 0.04 mmol), enone **75** (55.8 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 1 h at rt gave crude lactone (±)-**30** (85:15 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 4:96) gave lactone (±)-**30** (96:4 dr) as a white solid (64.0 mg, 81%); mp 78-80 °C;  $\nu_{\max}$  (KBr) 3083, 3037, 2926 (C-H), 1778 (C=O), 1709, 1567;  $\delta_H$  (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 4.12 (1H, d, *J* 5.6, C(3)H), 4.49-4.52 (1H, m, C(4)H), 5.99 (1H, d, *J* 5.1, C(5)H), 7.07-7.11 (2H, m, ArH), 7.20-7.29 (6H, m, ArH), 7.51 (1H, dd, *J* 8.1, 1.1, ArH);  $\delta_C$  (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 43.6 (C(4)), 50.9 (C(3)), 109.0 (q, *J* 3.4, C(5)), 118.4 (q, *J* 270, CF<sub>3</sub>), 124.1 (4ry ArC), 127.7 (ArC), 128.3 (ArC), 128.4 (ArC), 128.5 (ArC), 129.1 (ArC), 129.9 (ArC), 133.9 (ArC), 134.8 (4ry ArC), 136.9 (4ry ArC), 141.8 (q, *J* 38.0, C(6)), 165.2 (C(2));  $\delta_F$  (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -72.6 (CF<sub>3</sub>); *m/z* (NSI<sup>+</sup>) 414 ([M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>, 85%); HRMS (NSI<sup>+</sup>) C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>16</sub><sup>79</sup>BrF<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> ([M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>) requires 414.0311; found 414.0314 (+0.7 ppm).

**(3*R*,4*R*)-4-(2-bromophenyl)-3-phenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one**



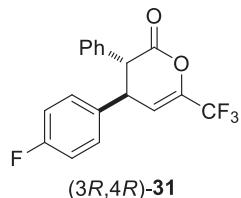
Following general procedure C, phenylacetic acid (27.2 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), Ph/i-Pr isothiourea catalyst (*2S,3R*)-**6** (3.09 mg, 0.01 mmol, 5 mol%), enone **75** (55.8 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 16 h at -78 °C gave crude lactone (*3R,4R*)-**30** (87:13 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 3:97) gave lactone (*3R,4R*)-**30** (95:5 dr) as a white solid (68.0 mg, 86%);  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  -214.0 (*c* 0.25, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); Chiral HPLC Chiralcel OD-H (5% IPA:hexane, flow rate 1 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm) t<sub>R</sub>(*3R,4R*): 8.8 min, t<sub>R</sub>(*3S,4S*): 18.5 min, 97% ee.

#### 4-(4-fluorophenyl)-3-phenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one



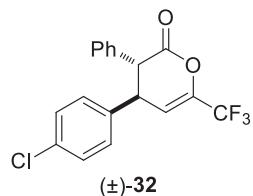
Following general procedure B, phenylacetic acid (27.2 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), DHPB **71** (7.60 mg, 0.04 mmol), enone **76** (43.6 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 1 h at rt gave crude lactone (±)-**31** (85:15 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 5:95) gave lactone (±)-**31** (99:1 dr) as a white solid (52.0 mg, 73%); mp 80-82 °C;  $\nu_{\max}$  (KBr) 3086, 3037, 2926 (C-H), 1774 (C=O), 1703, 1605, 1512;  $\delta_H$  (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 3.82 (1H, d, *J* 9.5, C(3)*H*), 3.93-3.97 (1H, m, C(4)*H*), 6.04 (1H, dd, *J* 3.5, 0.5, C(5)*H*), 6.86-6.93 (4H, m, Ar*H*), 6.97-7.00 (2H, m, Ar*H*), 7.20-7.25 (3H, m, Ar*H*);  $\delta_C$  (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 44.1 (C(4)), 53.0 (C(3)), 110.6 (q, *J* 3.3, C(5)), 116.1 (d, *J* 21.4, ArC), 118.4 (q, *J* 270, CF<sub>3</sub>), 128.2 (ArC), 128.3 (ArC), 129.0 (ArC), 129.1 (d, *J* 8.3, ArC), 134.5 (d, *J* 3.0, 4ry ArC), 134.7 (4ry ArC), 141.1 (q, *J* 38.0, C(6)), 162.3 (d, *J* 246, 4ry ArC), 165.6 (C(2));  $\delta_F$  (470 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -72.2 (CF<sub>3</sub>), -113.7 (ArF); *m/z* (NSI<sup>+</sup>) 354 ([M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>, 100%); HRMS (NSI<sup>+</sup>) C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>16</sub>F<sub>4</sub>NO<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> ([M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>) requires 354.1112; found 354.1115 (+0.9 ppm).

#### (*3R,4R*)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-3-phenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one



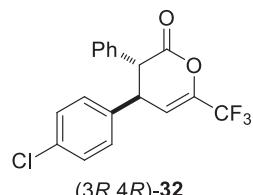
Following general procedure C, phenylacetic acid (27.2 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), Ph/i-Pr isothiourea catalyst (2*S*,3*R*)-**6** (3.09 mg, 0.01 mmol, 5 mol%), enone **76** (43.6 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 16 h at -78 °C gave crude lactone (*3R,4R*)-**31** (86:14 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 5:95) gave lactone (*3R,4R*)-**31** (>99:1 dr) as a white solid (57.2 mg, 85%);  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  -302.0 (*c* 0.1, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); Chiral HPLC Chiralpak AD-H (2% IPA:hexane, flow rate 2 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm) t<sub>R</sub>(*3R,4R*): 10.9 min, t<sub>R</sub>(*3S,4S*): 22.3 min, 98% ee.

#### 4-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-phenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one



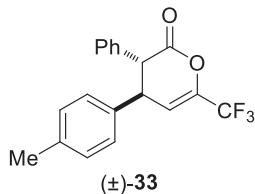
Following general procedure B, phenylacetic acid (27.2 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), DHPB **71** (7.60 mg, 0.04 mmol), enone **77** (46.9 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 1 h at rt gave crude lactone ( $\pm$ )-**32** (87:12 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 5:95) gave lactone ( $\pm$ )-**32** (>99:1 dr) as a white solid (51.2 mg, 73%); mp 64-66 °C;  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  (KBr) 3086, 3034 (C-H), 1774 (C=O), 1702, 1597;  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 3.82 (1H, d, *J* 9.6, C(3)*H*), 3.93-3.96 (1H, m, C(4)*H*), 6.02 (1H, d, *J* 3.3, C(5)*H*), 6.86-6.88 (2H, m, Ar*H*), 6.97-7.00 (2H, m, Ar*H*), 7.15-7.26 (5H, m, Ar*H*);  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 44.2 (C(4)), 52.7 (C(3)), 110.3 (q, *J* 3.3, C(5)), 118.4 (q, *J* 270, CF<sub>3</sub>), 128.3 (ArC), 128.3 (ArC), 128.8 (ArC), 129.0 (ArC), 129.3 (ArC), 134.0 (4ry ArC), 134.6 (4ry ArC), 137.2 (4ry ArC), 141.2 (q, *J* 38.2, C(6)), 165.5 (C(2));  $\delta_{\text{F}}$  (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -72.7 (CF<sub>3</sub>); *m/z* (NSI<sup>+</sup>) 370 ([M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>, 95%); HRMS (NSI<sup>+</sup>) C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>16</sub><sup>35</sup>ClF<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> ([M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>) requires 370.0816; found 370.0818 (+0.5 ppm).

#### (*3R,4R*)-4-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-phenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one



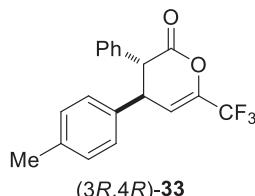
Following general procedure C, phenylacetic acid (27.2 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), Ph/i-Pr isothiourea catalyst (2*S*,3*R*)-**6** (3.09 mg, 0.01 mmol, 5 mol%), enone **77** (46.9 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 16 h at -78 °C gave crude lactone (*3R,4R*)-**32** (88:12 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 5:95) gave lactone (*3R,4R*)-**32** (>99:1 dr) as a white solid (52.4 mg, 74%);  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  -353.0 (*c* 0.1, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); Chiral HPLC Chiralpak AD-H (2% IPA:hexane, flow rate 2 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm) t<sub>R</sub>(*3R,4R*): 10.2 min, t<sub>R</sub>(*3S,4S*): 30.3 min, >99% ee.

**3-phenyl-4-(*p*-tolyl)-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one**



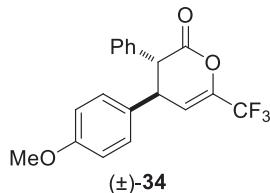
Following general procedure B, phenylacetic acid (27.2 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), DHPB **71** (7.60 mg, 0.04 mmol), enone **78** (42.8 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 1 h at rt gave crude lactone ( $\pm$ )-**33** (85:15 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 4:96) gave lactone ( $\pm$ )-**33** (93:7 dr) as a white solid (43.0 mg, 65%); mp 60–62 °C;  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  (KBr) 3098, 3033, 2940 (C–H), 1778 (C=O), 1701, 1635, 1516;  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 2.22 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.86–3.93 (2H, m, C(3)H and C(4)H), 6.03 (1H, d, *J* 3.3, C(5)H), 6.84 (2H, d, *J* 8.1, ArH), 6.99–7.04 (4H, m, ArH), 7.18–7.25 (3H, m, ArH);  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 21.1 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 44.4 (C(4)), 52.8 (C(3)), 110.9 (q, *J* 3.3, C(5)), 118.5 (q, *J* 270, CF<sub>3</sub>), 127.2 (ArC), 128.2 (ArC), 128.2 (ArC), 128.9 (ArC), 129.8 (ArC), 135.2 (4ry ArC), 135.7 (4ry ArC), 137.9 (4ry ArC), 140.7 (q, *J* 38.0, C(6)), 165.9 (C(2));  $\delta_{\text{F}}$  (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -72.6 (CF<sub>3</sub>); *m/z* (NSI<sup>+</sup>) 350 ([M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>, 95%); HRMS (NSI<sup>+</sup>) C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>19</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> [M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup> requires 350.1362; found 350.1368 (+1.6 ppm).

**(3*R*,4*R*)-3-phenyl-4-(*p*-tolyl)-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one**



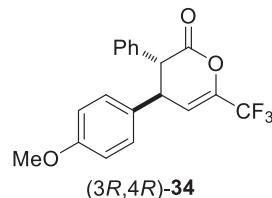
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**4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-phenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one**



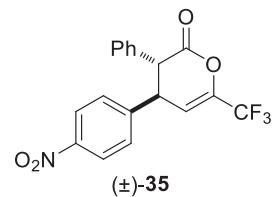
Following general procedure B, phenylacetic acid (27.2 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), DHPB **71** (7.60 mg, 0.04 mmol), enone **79** (46.0 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 1 h at rt gave crude lactone ( $\pm$ )-**34** (85:15 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 10:90) gave lactone ( $\pm$ )-**34** (87:13 dr) as a colourless oil (57.8 mg, 83%);  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  (KBr) 3090, 3033, 2938 (C-H), 1780 (C=O), 1700, 1612, 1585, 1514;  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 3.68 (3H, s, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 3.85 (1H, d, *J* 8.8, C(3)H), 3.88-3.91 (1H, m, C(4)H), 6.03 (1H, d, *J* 3.4, C(5)H), 6.71-6.73 (2H, m, ArH), 6.85-6.87 (2H, m, ArH), 7.00-7.02 (2H, m, ArH), 7.18-7.24 (3H, m, ArH);  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 44.0 (C(4)), 53.0 (C(3)), 55.3 (OCH<sub>3</sub>), 111.1 (q, *J* 3.4, C(5)), 114.5 (ArC), 118.5 (q, *J* 270, CF<sub>3</sub>), 128.1 (4ry ArC), 128.3 (ArC), 128.5 (ArC), 128.9 (ArC), 130.7 (4ry ArC), 135.2 (4ry ArC), 140.7 (q, *J* 38.0, C(6)), 159.2 (4ry ArC), 165.9 (C(2));  $\delta_{\text{F}}$  (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -72.6 (CF<sub>3</sub>); *m/z* (NSI<sup>+</sup>) 366 ([M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>, 100%); HRMS (NSI<sup>+</sup>) C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>19</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup> ([M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>) requires 366.1312; found 366.1316 (+1.2 ppm).

**(3*R*,4*R*)-4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-phenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one**



Following general procedure C phenylacetic acid (27.2 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), Ph/i-Pr isothiourea catalyst (2*S*,3*R*)-**6** (3.09 mg, 0.01 mmol, 5 mol%), enone **79** (46.0 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 16 h at -78 °C gave crude lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-**34** (94:6 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 7.5:92.5) gave lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-**34** (96:4 dr) as a white solid (65.0 mg, 93%);  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20}$  -345.0 (*c* 0.1, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); Chiral HPLC Chiralpak AD-H (5% IPA:hexane, flow rate 1 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm) t<sub>R</sub>(3*R*,4*R*): 19.4 min, t<sub>R</sub>(3*S*,4*S*): 24.4 min, 98% ee.

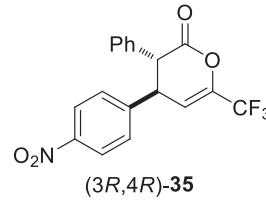
**4-(4-nitrophenyl)-3-phenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one**



Following general procedure B, phenylacetic acid (27.2 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), DHPB **71** (7.60 mg, 0.04 mmol), enone **80** (49.0 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 10 min at -78 °C gave crude lactone ( $\pm$ )-**35** (84:16 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 10:90) gave lactone ( $\pm$ )-**35** (>99:1 dr) as a white solid (41.0 mg, 56%); mp 102-104 °C;  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  (KBr) 3089, 2925, 2854 (C-H), 1778 (C=O), 1707, 1608, 1518;  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 3.84 (1H, d, *J* 10.4, C(3)H), 4.09-4.14 (1H, m, C(4)H), 6.05 (1H, d, *J* 3.0, C(5)H), 6.96-6.98 (2H, m,

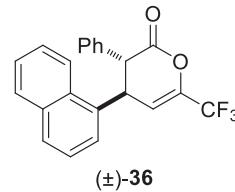
ArH), 7.10-7.13 (2H, m, ArH), 7.21-7.25 (3H, m, ArH), 8.03-8.07 (2H, m, ArH);  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 44.6 (C(4)), 52.4 (C(3)), 109.4 (q, *J* 3.4, C(5)), 118.3 (q, *J* 270, CF<sub>3</sub>), 124.3 (*ArC*), 128.4 (*ArC*), 128.6 (*ArC*), 129.2 (*ArC*), 133.9 (4ry *ArC*), 141.9 (q, *J* 38.3, C(6)), 145.9 (4ry *ArC*), 147.6 (4ry *ArC*), 164.9 (C(2));  $\delta_{\text{F}}$  (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -72.7 (CF<sub>3</sub>); *m/z* (NSI<sup>+</sup>) 381 ([M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>, 74%); HRMS (NSI<sup>+</sup>) C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>16</sub>F<sub>3</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> ([M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>) requires 381.1057; found 381.1059 (+0.6 ppm).

**(3*R*,4*R*)-4-(4-nitrophenyl)-3-phenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one**



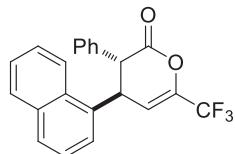
Following general procedure C phenylacetic acid (27.2 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), Ph/i-Pr isothiourea catalyst (2*S*,3*R*)-**6** (3.09 mg, 0.01 mmol, 5 mol%), enone **80** (49.0 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 16 h at -78 °C gave crude lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-**35** (73:27 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 25:75) gave lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-**35** (>99:1 dr) as a white solid (47.4 mg, 65%);  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  -216.2 (*c* 0.5, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); Chiral HPLC Chiralpak AD-H (20% IPA:hexane, flow rate 1 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm) t<sub>R</sub>(3*R*,4*R*): 15.0 min, t<sub>R</sub>(3*S*,4*S*): 29.9 min, 86% ee.

**4-(naphthalen-1-yl)-3-phenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one**



Following general procedure B, phenylacetic acid (27.2 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), DHPB **71** (7.60 mg, 0.04 mmol), enone **81** (50.0 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 1 h at rt gave crude lactone (±)-**36** (89:11 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 4:96) gave lactone (±)-**36** (97:3 dr) as a white solid (63.3 mg, 88%); mp 118-120 °C;  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  (KBr) 3094, 3038, 2875 (C-H), 1774 (C=O), 1708, 1596, 1513;  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 4.20 (1H, d, *J* 5.3, C(3)*H*), 4.75-4.77 (1H, m, C(4)*H*), 6.15 (1H, d, *J* 5.0, C(5)*H*), 7.16-7.28 (6H, m, ArH), 7.35 (1H, t, *J* 7.7, ArH), 7.42-7.48 (2H, m, ArH), 7.73 (1H, d, *J* 8.2, ArH), 7.77-7.83 (2H, m, ArH);  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 40.0 (C(4)), 51.5 (C(3)), 109.8 (q, *J* 3.3, C(5)), 118.5 (q, *J* 270, CF<sub>3</sub>), 122.1 (*ArC*), 124.7 (*ArC*), 125.6 (*ArC*), 126.1 (*ArC*), 127.0 (*ArC*), 127.6 (*ArC*), 128.4 (*ArC*), 129.0 (*ArC*), 129.3 (*ArC*), 129.6 (*ArC*), 130.4 (4ry *ArC*), 133.7 (4ry *ArC*), 134.4 (4ry *ArC*), 135.6 (4ry *ArC*), 141.5 (q, *J* 37.9, C(6)), 165.4 (C(2));  $\delta_{\text{F}}$  (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -72.5 (CF<sub>3</sub>); *m/z* (NSI<sup>+</sup>) 386 ([M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>, 57%); HRMS (NSI<sup>+</sup>) C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>19</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> ([M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>) requires 386.1362; found 386.1366 (+0.9 ppm).

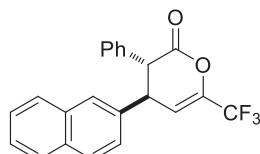
**(3*R*,4*R*)-4-(naphthalen-1-yl)-3-phenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one**



(3*R*,4*R*)-36

Following general procedure C, phenylacetic acid (27.2 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), Ph*i*-Pr isothiourea catalyst (2*S*,3*R*)-6 (3.09 mg, 0.01 mmol, 5 mol%), enone **81** (50.0 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 16 h at -78 °C gave crude lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-36 (94:6 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 4:96) gave lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-36 (99:1 dr) as a white solid (66.7 mg, 91%);  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  -284.0 (*c* 0.1, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); Chiral HPLC Chiraldak AD-H (2% IPA:hexane, flow rate 2 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm) t<sub>R</sub>(3*R*,4*R*): 8.5 min, t<sub>R</sub>(3*S*,4*S*): 10.3 min, 98% ee.

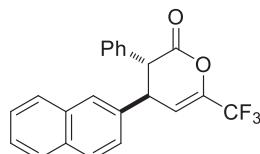
**4-(naphthalen-2-yl)-3-phenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one**



(±)-37

Following general procedure B, phenylacetic acid (27.2 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), DHPB **71** (7.60 mg, 0.04 mmol), enone **82** (50.0 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 1 h at rt gave crude lactone (±)-37 (88:12 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 4:96) gave lactone (±)-37 (97:3 dr) as a white solid (61.0 mg, 83%); mp 60-62 °C;  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  (KBr) 3062, 2927 (C-H), 1771 (C=O), 1700, 1634, 1601, 1509;  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 4.00 (1H, d, *J* 8.9, C(3)*H*), 4.08-4.14 (1H, m, C(4)*H*), 6.12 (1H, d, *J* 3.3, C(5)*H*), 7.01-7.07 (3H, m, Ar*H*), 7.17-7.22 (3H, m, Ar*H*), 7.37-7.43 (3H, m, Ar*H*), 7.64-7.73 (3H, m, Ar*H*);  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 44.9 (C(4)), 52.6 (C(3)), 110.7 (q, *J* 3.4, C(5)), 118.5 (q, *J* 270, CF<sub>3</sub>), 124.9 (ArC), 126.5 (ArC), 126.5 (ArC), 126.7 (ArC), 127.7 (ArC), 127.8 (ArC), 128.2 (ArC), 128.3 (ArC), 129.0 (ArC), 129.2 (ArC), 132.8 (4ry ArC), 133.3 (4ry ArC), 135.0 (4ry ArC), 136.0 (4ry ArC), 140.8 (q, *J* 37.9, C(6)), 165.8 (C(2));  $\delta_{\text{F}}$  (282 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -72.5 (CF<sub>3</sub>); *m/z* (NSI<sup>+</sup>) 386 ([M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>, 75%); HRMS (NSI<sup>+</sup>) C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>19</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> ([M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>) requires 386.1362; found 386.1365 (+0.7 ppm).

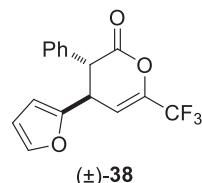
**(3*R*,4*R*)-4-(naphthalen-2-yl)-3-phenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one**



(3*R*,4*R*)-37

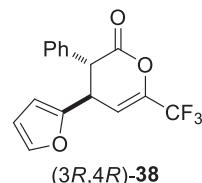
Following general procedure C, phenylacetic acid (27.2 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), Ph/i-Pr isothiourea catalyst (2*S*,3*R*)-**6** (3.09 mg, 0.01 mmol, 5 mol%), enone **82** (50.0 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 16 h at -78 °C gave crude lactone (*3R,4R*)-**37** (90:10 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 5:95) gave lactone (*3R,4R*)-**37** (98:2 dr) as a white solid (59.8 mg, 81%);  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  -294.4 (*c* 0.25, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); Chiral HPLC Chiralpak AD-H (2% IPA:hexane, flow rate 2 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm) t<sub>R</sub>(*3R,4R*): 11.1 min, t<sub>R</sub>(*3S,4S*): 26.8 min, >99% ee.

#### 4-(furan-2-yl)-3-phenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one



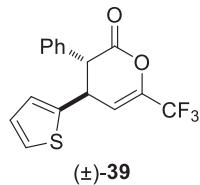
Following general procedure B, phenylacetic acid (27.2 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), DHPB **71** (7.60 mg, 0.04 mmol), enone **83** (38.0 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 1 h at rt gave crude lactone (±)-**38** (88:12 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 5:95) gave lactone (±)-**38** (>99:1 dr) as a white solid (54.0 mg, 88%); mp 61-63 °C;  $\nu_{\max}$  (KBr) 3033, 2940, 2879 (C-H), 1780 (C=O), 1703, 1635, 1510;  $\delta_H$  (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 4.04-4.09 (1H, m, C(4)H), 4.16 (1H, d, *J* 7.1, C(3)H), 5.94 (1H, d, *J* 3.3, C(5)H), 6.03 (1H, d, *J* 4.4, ArH), 6.18 (1H, dd, *J* 3.3, 1.9, ArH), 7.09-7.12 (2H, m, ArH), 7.24-7.31 (4H, m, ArH);  $\delta_C$  (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 38.3 (C(4)), 49.5 (C(3)), 107.6 (ArC), 107.8 (q, *J* 3.5, C(5)), 110.5 (ArC), 118.4 (q, *J* 270, CF<sub>3</sub>), 127.8 (ArC), 128.4 (ArC), 129.1 (ArC), 134.7 (4ry ArC), 141.2 (q, *J* 38.1, C(6)), 143.0 (ArC), 150.4 (4ry ArC), 165.4 (C(2));  $\delta_F$  (282 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -72.9 (CF<sub>3</sub>); *m/z* (NSI<sup>+</sup>) 326 ([M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>, 100%); HRMS (NSI<sup>+</sup>) C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>15</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup> ([M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>) requires 326.0999; found 326.1003 (+1.4 ppm).

#### (*3R,4R*)-4-(furan-2-yl)-3-phenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one



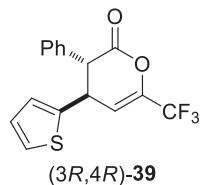
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**3-phenyl-4-(thiophen-2-yl)-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one**



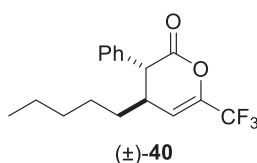
Following general procedure B, phenylacetic acid (27.2 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), DHPB **71** (7.60 mg, 0.04 mmol), enone **84** (41.2 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 1 h at rt gave crude lactone **(±)-39** (84:16 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 5:95) gave lactone **(±)-39** (99:1 dr) as a white solid (50.1 mg, 77%); mp 58-60 °C;  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  (KBr) 3088, 3034, 2923, 2865 (C-H), 1774 (C=O), 1703;  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 4.00 (1H, d, *J* 8.1, C(3)H), 4.24-4.27 (1H, m, C(4)H), 6.11 (1H, d, *J* 4.1, C(5)H), 6.65-6.66 (1H, m, ArH), 6.81 (1H, dd, *J* 5.1, 3.5, ArH), 7.06-7.09 (2H, m, ArH), 7.13 (1H, dd, *J* 5.1, 1.1, ArH), 7.23-7.29 (3H, m, ArH);  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 39.8 (C(4)), 53.3 (C(3)), 110.2 (q, *J* 3.5, C(5)), 118.4 (q, *J* 270, CF<sub>3</sub>), 125.4 (*ArC*), 125.7 (*ArC*), 127.3 (*ArC*), 128.1 (*ArC*), 128.4 (*ArC*), 129.1 (*ArC*), 134.7 (4ry *ArC*), 140.8 (q, *J* 38.2, C(6)), 141.1 (4ry *ArC*), 165.3 (C(2));  $\delta_{\text{F}}$  (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -72.8 (CF<sub>3</sub>); *m/z* (NSI<sup>+</sup>) 342 ([M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>, 97%); HRMS (NSI<sup>+</sup>) C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>15</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>S<sup>+</sup> ([M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>) requires 342.0770; found 342.0775 (+1.4 ppm).

**(3*R*,4*R*)-3-phenyl-4-(thiophen-2-yl)-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one**



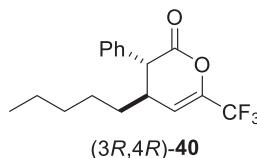
Following general procedure C, phenylacetic acid (27.2 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), Ph/i-Pr isothiourea catalyst (2*S*,3*R*)-**6** (3.09 mg, 0.01 mmol, 5 mol%), enone **84** (41.2 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 16 h at -78 °C gave crude lactone **(3*R*,4*R*)-39** (88:12 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 5:95) gave lactone **(3*R*,4*R*)-39** (98:2 dr) as a white solid (55.6 mg, 86%);  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  -258.0 (*c* 0.1, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); Chiral HPLC Chiraldak AD-H (2% IPA:hexane, flow rate 2 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm) t<sub>R</sub>(3*S*,4*S*): 6.8 min, t<sub>R</sub>(3*R*,4*R*): 9.1 min, 95% ee.

**4-pentyl-3-phenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one**



Following general procedure B, phenylacetic acid (27.2 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), DHPB **71** (7.60 mg, 0.04 mmol), enone **87** (38.8 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 1 h at rt gave crude lactone ( $\pm$ )-**40** (77:23 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 2:98) gave lactone ( $\pm$ )-**40** (90:10 dr) as a colourless oil (36.0 mg, 58%);  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  (Diamond Cell) 2957, 2932 (C-H), 1786 (C=O), 1713; Data for major diastereoisomer:  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 0.89 (3H, *J* 7.0, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.21-1.50 (8H, m, 4CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.85-2.87 (1H, m, C(4)H), 3.72 (1H, d, *J* 8.6, C(3)H), 6.03 (1H, d, *J* 3.8, C(5)H), 7.21-7.22 (2H, m, ArH), 7.35-7.43 (3H, m, ArH); Selected data for minor diastereoisomer  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 4.08 (1H, d, *J* 6.5, C(3)H), 6.12 (1H, d, *J* 5.0, C(5)H); Data for major diastereoisomer:  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 13.9 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 22.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 25.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 31.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 32.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 37.6 (C(4)), 50.1 (C(3)), 111.2 (q, *J* 3.3, C(5)), 118.5 (q, *J* 270, CF<sub>3</sub>), 128.1 (ArC), 128.2 (C(3)-ArC(4)), 129.1 (ArC), 135.4 (4ry C(3)-ArC(1)), 140.1 (q, *J* 37.9, C(6)), 166.9 (C(2)); Selected data for minor diastereoisomer:  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 26.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 29.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 31.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 36.9 (C(4)), 48.9 (C(3)), 112.4 (q, *J* 3.3, C(5)), 128.7 (ArC), 129.4 (ArC), 166.4 (C(2)); *m/z* (APCI<sup>+</sup>) 313 ([M+H]<sup>+</sup>, 100%); HRMS (APCI<sup>+</sup>) C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>20</sub>F<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> ([M+H]<sup>+</sup>) requires 313.1410; found 313.1408 (-0.6 ppm).

### (3*R*,4*R*)-4-pentyl-3-phenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one

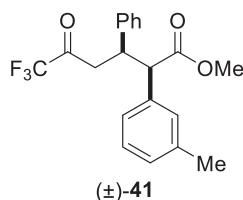


Following general procedure C, phenylacetic acid (27.2 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), Ph-*i*-Pr isothiourea catalyst (2*S*,3*R*)-**6** (3.09 mg, 0.01 mmol, 5 mol%), enone **87** (38.8 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 16 h at -78 °C gave crude lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-**40** (78:22 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 2:98) gave lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-**40** (86:14 dr) as a colourless oil (45.7 mg, 73%);  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  -73.0 (*c* 0.2, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); Chiral HPLC Chiralpak IB (2% IPA:hexane, flow rate 1 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm) t<sub>R</sub>(3*R*,4*R*): 7.0 min, t<sub>R</sub>(3*S*,4*S*): 7.7 min, 98% ee.

## 1.7 Product Derivatisations

### Methanolysis

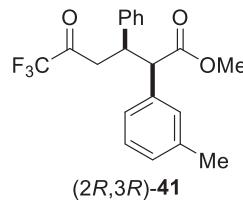
#### methyl 6,6,6-trifluoro-5-oxo-3-phenyl-2-(*m*-tolyl)hexanoate



Following general procedure B, *m*-tolylacetic acid (30.0 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), DHPB **71** (7.60 mg, 0.04 mmol), enone **2** (40.0 mg,

0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 1 h at rt followed by addition of MeOH (2 mL) and stirring at rt overnight gave crude ester ( $\pm$ )-**41** (80:20 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 10:90) gave ester ( $\pm$ )-**41** (82:18 dr) as a white solid (62.0 mg, 85%); mp 58–60 °C;  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  (KBr) 3031, 2958, 1761 (C=O), 1732 (C=O), 1605;  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 2.15 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.08 (1H, dd, *J* 18.3, 3.8, C(4)H), 3.29 (1H, dd, *J* 18.4, 9.4, C(4)H), 3.60 (3H, s, CO<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.76 (1H, d, *J* 10.3, C(2)H), 3.82–3.90 (1H, m, C(3)H), 6.80–6.84 (3H, m, ArH), 6.93–7.09 (6H, m, ArH);  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 21.3 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 40.6 (C(4)), 43.4 (C(3)), 52.3 (CO<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 56.9 (C(2), 115.3 (q, *J* 290, CF<sub>3</sub>), 125.5 (ArC), 127.1 (ArC), 128.0 (ArC), 128.3 (ArC), 128.4 (ArC), 129.1 (ArC), 136.0 (4ry ArC), 138.1 (4ry ArC), 139.6 (4ry ArC), 173.2 (C(1)), 189.2 (q, *J* 35.2, C(5));  $\delta_{\text{F}}$  (282 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -80.0 (CF<sub>3</sub>); *m/z* (NSI<sup>+</sup>) 382 ([M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>, 50%); HRMS (NSI<sup>+</sup>) C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>23</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup> ([M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>) requires 382.1625; found 382.1627 (+0.6 ppm).

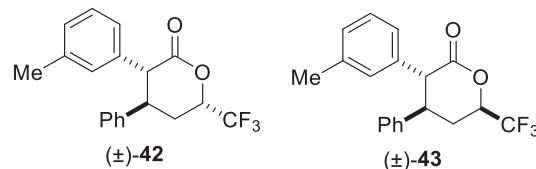
**(2*R*,3*R*)-methyl 6,6,6-trifluoro-5-oxo-3-phenyl-2-(*m*-tolyl)hexanoate**



Following general procedure C, *m*-tolylacetic acid (30.0 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), Ph/i-Pr isothiourea catalyst (2*S*,3*R*)-**6** (3.09 mg, 0.01 mmol, 5 mol%), enone **2** (40.0 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 16 h at -78 °C, followed by addition of MeOH (2 mL) and stirring at rt overnight gave crude ester (*2R,3R*)-**41** (92:8 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 10:90) gave ester (*2R,3R*)-**41** (92:8 dr) as a white solid (52.6 mg, 72%);  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  -130.4 (*c* 0.25, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); Chiral HPLC Chiralpak AD-H (5% IPA:hexane, flow rate 1 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm) t<sub>R</sub>(2*S*,3*S*): 4.4 min, t<sub>R</sub>(2*R*,3*R*): 5.1 min, 97% ee.

**Hydrogenation**

**4-phenyl-3-(*m*-tolyl)-6-(trifluoromethyl)tetrahydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one**

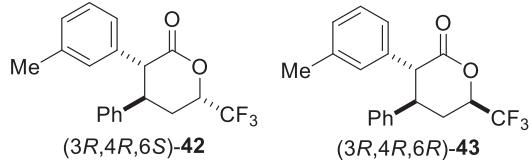


To a solution of lactone ( $\pm$ )-**20** (100 mg, 0.30 mmol) (90:10 dr) in EtOAc (5 mL) was added 10% Pd/C (31.9 mg, 0.03 mmol). Hydrogen gas (1 balloon) was bubbled through the solution and the reaction mixture was stirred at rt for 16 h. The reaction mixture was filtered through Celite and washed several times with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. Concentration *in vacuo* gave crude lactones ( $\pm$ )-**42** and ( $\pm$ )-**43** (47:53 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 20:80) gave:

Lactone ( $\pm$ )-**42** (87:13 dr) as a colourless oil (47.1 mg, 47%);  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  (thin film) 3031, 2923 (C-H), 1756 (C=O), 1606;  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 2.16-2.26 (4H, s, CH<sub>3</sub> and C(5)H), 2.37-2.46 (1H, m, C(5)H), 3.46 (1H, q, J 6.6, C(4)H), 3.93 (1H, d, J 8.0, C(3)H), 4.70-4.76 (1H, m, C(6)H), 6.77-6.80 (2H, m, ArH), 6.91-7.25 (7H, m, ArH);  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 21.4 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 27.3 (C(5), 42.5 (C(4)), 52.5 (C(3)), 74.1 (q, J 33.0, C(6)), 123.3 (q, J 279, CF<sub>3</sub>), 125.5 (ArC), 126.9 (ArC), 127.6 (ArC), 128.4 (ArC), 128.6 (ArC), 129.1 (ArC), 129.2 (ArC), 137.0 (4ry ArC), 138.4 (4ry ArC), 140.6 (4ry ArC), 169.6 (C(2));  $\delta_{\text{F}}$  (282 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -77.7 (CF<sub>3</sub>); *m/z* (ES<sup>+</sup>) 357 ([M+Na]<sup>+</sup>, 100%); HRMS (ES<sup>+</sup>) C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>17</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NaO<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> ([M+Na]<sup>+</sup>) requires 357.1078; found 357.1076 (-0.6 ppm).

Lactone ( $\pm$ )-**43** (>99:1 dr) as a white solid (53.4 mg, 53%); mp 96-98 °C;  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  (KBr) 3071, 3031, 2921 (C-H), 1743 (C=O), 1612;  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 2.16 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.23-2.37 (2H, m, C(5)H<sub>2</sub>), 3.26 (1H, td, J 11.8, 3.9, C(4)H), 3.72 (1H, d, J 11.5, C(3)H), 4.83-4.94 (1H, m, C(6)H), 6.65-6.70 (2H, m, ArH), 6.91-6.94 (3H, m, ArH), 7.01 (1H, t, J 7.5, ArH), 7.10-7.20 (3H, m, ArH);  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 21.4 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 29.4 (C(5), 45.1 (C(4)), 55.5 (C(3)), 76.0 (q, J 33.8, C(6)), 122.6 (q, J 278, CF<sub>3</sub>), 125.7 (ArC), 127.1 (ArC), 127.6 (ArC), 128.5 (ArC), 128.9 (ArC), 129.3 (ArC), 136.7 (4ry ArC), 138.4 (4ry ArC), 140.0 (4ry ArC), 169.4 (C(2));  $\delta_{\text{F}}$  (282 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -79.8 (CF<sub>3</sub>); *m/z* (ES<sup>+</sup>) 357 ([M+Na]<sup>+</sup>, 100%); HRMS (ES<sup>+</sup>) C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>17</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NaO<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> ([M+Na]<sup>+</sup>) requires 357.1078; found 357.1087 (+2.5 ppm).

**(3R,4R,6S)-4-phenyl-3-(*m*-tolyl)-6-(trifluoromethyl)tetrahydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one and (3R,4R,6R)-4-phenyl-3-(*m*-tolyl)-6-(trifluoromethyl)tetrahydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one**

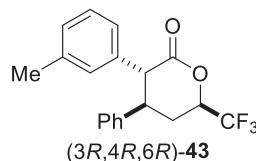


To a solution of lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-**20** (96:4 dr) (100 mg, 0.30 mmol) in EtOAc (5 mL) was added 10% Pd/C (31.9 mg, 0.03 mmol). Hydrogen gas (1 balloon) was bubbled through the solution and the reaction mixture was stirred at rt for 16 h. The reaction mixture was filtered through Celite and washed several times with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. Concentration *in vacuo* gave crude lactones (3*R*,4*R*,6*S*)-**42** and (3*R*,4*R*,6*R*)-**43** (47:53 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 20:80) gave:

Lactone (3*R*,4*R*,6*S*)-**42** (>99:1 dr) as a colourless oil (45.6 mg, 45%);  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  -100.0 (*c* 0.1, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); Chiral HPLC Chiraldak AD-H (5% IPA:hexane, flow rate 1 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm) *t*<sub>R</sub>(3*R*,4*R*,6*S*): 17.8 min, *t*<sub>R</sub>(3*S*,4*S*,6*R*): 36.4 min, 97% ee.

Lactone (*3R,4R,6R*)-**43** (>99:1 dr) as a white solid (51.6 mg, 51%);  $[\alpha]_D^{20} -252.7$  (*c* 0.15, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); Chiral HPLC Chiraldak AD-H (5% IPA:hexane, flow rate 1 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm)  $t_R(3R,4R,6R)$ : 14.6 min,  $t_R(3S,4S,6S)$ : 41.8 min, 98% *ee*.

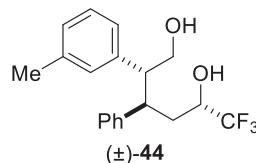
**(3*R*,4*R*,6*R*)-4-phenyl-3-(*m*-tolyl)-6-(trifluoromethyl)tetrahydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one**



To a solution of lactone (*3R,4R*)-**20** (96:4 dr) (100 mg, 0.30 mmol) in EtOAc (3 mL) was added 5% Rh(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>Cl (14.0 mg, 0.015 mmol). The reaction mixture was heated at 80 °C under a 50 bar pressure of Hydrogen gas for 16 h. The reaction mixture was filtered through Celite and washed several times with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. Concentration *in vacuo* gave crude lactone (*3R,4R,6R*)-**43** (96:4 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 20:80) gave lactone (*3R,4R,6R*)-**43** (>99:1 dr) as a white solid (96.3 mg, 96%); Chiral HPLC Chiraldak AD-H (5% IPA:hexane, flow rate 1 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm)  $t_R(3R,4R,6R)$ : 14.6 min,  $t_R(3S,4S,6S)$ : 41.8 min, 98% *ee*.

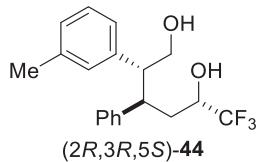
**Reductive Ring Opening**

**6,6,6-trifluoro-3-phenyl-2-(*m*-tolyl)hexane-1,5-diol**



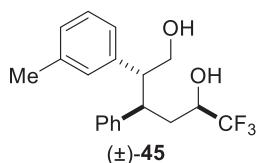
To a solution of lactone ( $\pm$ )-**42** (50.0 mg, 0.15 mmol) (87:13 dr) in THF (1 mL) at 0 °C was added 2M LiAlH<sub>4</sub> in THF (0.23 mL, 0.45 mmol) and the reaction mixture was allowed to stir for 10 minutes at rt. The reaction mixture was quenched by addition of sat. aq. NaHCO<sub>3</sub> and extracted with diethyl ether (x 3). The combined organic extracted were dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered and concentrated *in vacuo* to give crude diol ( $\pm$ )-**44** (87:13 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 60:40) gave diol ( $\pm$ )-**44** (>99:1 dr) as a white solid (43.6 mg, 86%); mp 102-104 °C;  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  (KBr) 3412 (O-H), 2924 (C-H), 2854;  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 1.92-2.00 (1H, m, C(4)H), 2.13-2.20 (4H, m, C(4)H and CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.11 (1H, q, *J* 6.9, C(3)H), 3.29 (1H, q, *J* 7.1, C(2)H), 3.78 (1H, dd, *J* 10.7, 6.7, C(1)H), 3.84-3.94 (2H, m, C(1)H and C(5)H), 6.57-6.59 (2H, m, ArH), 6.86-6.90 (3H, m, ArH), 6.97-7.00 (1H, m, ArH), 7.05-7.13 (3H, m, ArH);  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 21.4 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 33.8 (C(4)), 43.5 (C(3)), 51.7 (C(2)), 64.9 (C(1)), 69.1 (q, *J* 30.5, C(5)), 125.3 (q, *J* 281, CF<sub>3</sub>), 126.1 (ArC), 126.8 (ArC), 127.7 (ArC), 128.0 (ArC), 128.1 (ArC), 129.0 (ArC), 129.9 (ArC), 137.7 (4ry ArC), 138.8 (4ry ArC), 140.7 (4ry ArC);  $\delta_{\text{F}}$  (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -80.0 (CF<sub>3</sub>); *m/z* (ES<sup>+</sup>) 361 ([M+Na]<sup>+</sup>, 100%); HRMS (ES<sup>+</sup>) C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>21</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NaO<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> ([M+Na]<sup>+</sup>) requires 361.1391; found 361.1380 (-3.2 ppm).

**(2*R*,3*R*,5*S*)-6,6,6-trifluoro-3-phenyl-2-(*m*-tolyl)hexane-1,5-diol**



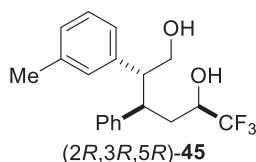
To a solution of lactone (*3R,4R,6S*)-42 (50.0 mg, 0.15 mmol) (>99:1 dr) in THF (1 mL) at 0 °C was added 2M LiAlH<sub>4</sub> in THF (0.23 mL, 0.45 mmol) and the reaction mixture was allowed to stir for 10 minutes at rt. The reaction mixture was quenched by addition of sat. aq. NaHCO<sub>3</sub> and extracted with diethyl ether (x 3). The combined organic extracted were dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered and concentrated *in vacuo* to give crude diol (2*R*,3*R*,5*S*)-44 (>99:1 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 60:40) gave diol (2*R*,3*R*,5*R*)-44 (>99:1 dr) as a white solid (42.3 mg, 83%); [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> -19.0 (c 0.1, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); Chiral HPLC Chiraldak IB (5% IPA:hexane, flow rate 1 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm) t<sub>R</sub>(2*S*,3*S*,5*R*): 8.2 min, t<sub>R</sub>(2*R*,3*R*,5*S*): 9.3 min, 96% ee.

**6,6,6-trifluoro-3-phenyl-2-(*m*-tolyl)hexane-1,5-diol**



To a solution of lactone (±)-43 (50.0 mg, 0.15 mmol) (>99:1 dr) in THF (1 mL) at 0 °C was added 2M LiAlH<sub>4</sub> in THF (0.23 mL, 0.45 mmol) and the reaction mixture was allowed to stir for 10 minutes at rt. The reaction mixture was quenched by addition of sat. aq. NaHCO<sub>3</sub> and extracted with diethyl ether (x 3). The combined organic extracted were dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered and concentrated *in vacuo* to give crude diol (±)-45 (>99:1 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O) gave diol (±)-45 (>99:1 dr) as a colourless oil (44.4 mg, 88%); ν<sub>max</sub> (thin film) 3334 (O-H), 3030, 2925 (C-H), 1606, 1589; δ<sub>H</sub> (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 1.67 (1H, br s, OH), 1.84-1.93 (1H, m, C(4)H), 2.06 (1H, ddd, J 14.2, 10.9, 3.5, C(4)H), 2.15 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.83 (1H, br s, OH), 2.93-3.00 (1H, m, C(2)H), 3.32-3.43 (2H, m, C(3)H and C(5)H), 3.83 (2H, d, J 6.3, C(1)H<sub>2</sub>), 6.64-6.67 (2H, m, ArH), 6.83-6.87 (3H, m, ArH), 6.98 (1H, t, J 7.7, ArH), 7.01-7.12 (3H, m, ArH); δ<sub>C</sub> (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 21.4 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 33.1 (C(4)), 42.2 (C(3)), 53.4 (C(2)), 64.6 (C(1)), 68.3 (q, J 31.0, C(5)), 125.3 (q, J 280, CF<sub>3</sub>), 126.1 (ArC), 126.7 (ArC), 127.6 (ArC), 128.0 (ArC), 128.2 (ArC), 128.9 (ArC), 129.8 (ArC), 137.7 (4ry ArC), 139.5 (4ry ArC), 140.1 (4ry ArC); δ<sub>F</sub> (282 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -80.5 (CF<sub>3</sub>); *m/z* (ES<sup>+</sup>) 361 ([M+Na]<sup>+</sup>, 100%); HRMS (ES<sup>+</sup>) C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>21</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NaO<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> ([M+Na]<sup>+</sup>) requires 361.1391; found 361.1398 (+1.9 ppm).

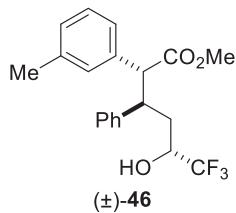
**(2*R*,3*R*,5*R*)-6,6,6-trifluoro-3-phenyl-2-(*m*-tolyl)hexane-1,5-diol**



To a solution of lactone (*3R,4R,6R*)-**43** (50.0 mg, 0.15 mmol) (>99:1 dr) in THF (1 mL) at 0 °C was added 2M LiAlH<sub>4</sub> in THF (0.23 mL, 0.45 mmol) and the reaction mixture was allowed to stir for 10 minutes at rt. The reaction mixture was quenched by addition of sat. aq. NaHCO<sub>3</sub> and extracted with diethyl ether (x 3). The combined organic extracted were dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered and concentrated *in vacuo* to give crude diol (*2R,3R,5R*)-**45** (>99:1 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O) gave diol (*2R,3R,5R*)-**45** (>99:1 dr) as a colourless oil (41.5 mg, 82%);  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  -17.0 (*c* 0.1, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); Chiral HPLC Chiralcel OD-H (10% IPA:hexane, flow rate 1 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm) t<sub>R</sub>(*2R,3R,5R*): 6.1 min, t<sub>R</sub>(*2S,3S,5S*): 7.5 min, 98% *ee*.

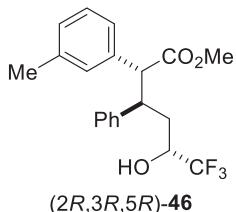
### Methanol Ring Opening

#### methyl 6,6,6-trifluoro-5-hydroxy-3-phenyl-2-(*m*-tolyl)hexanoate



To a solution of lactone ( $\pm$ )-**43** (50.0 mg, 0.15 mmol) (>99:1 dr) in methanol (5 mL) was added DMAP (3.66 mg, 0.03 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred at 40 °C for 5 h before being concentrated *in vacuo* to give crude alcohol ( $\pm$ )-**46** (>99:1 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 20:80) gave alcohol ( $\pm$ )-**46** (>99:1 dr) as a white solid (47.9 mg, 87%); mp 78–80 °C;  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  (KBr) 3431 (O-H), 3030, 2958 (C-H), 1728 (C=O), 1700, 1608;  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 1.91–2.03 (2H, m, C(4)H), 2.12 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.53 (1H, d, *J* 7.0, OH), 3.43–3.48 (1H, m, C(5)H), 3.56–3.63 (4H, m, C(3)H and CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.70 (1H, d, *J* 7.9 C(2)H), 6.80–6.84 (3H, m, ArH), 6.89–6.94 (3H, m, ArH), 6.98–7.02 (1H, m, ArH), 7.05–7.09 (2H, m, ArH);  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 21.3 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 34.4 (C(4)), 44.6 (C(3)), 52.4 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 57.8 (C(2)), 68.3 (q, *J* 31.0, C(5)), 125.1 (q, *J* 280, CF<sub>3</sub>), 125.5 (ArC), 126.9 (ArC), 128.0 (ArC), 128.1 (ArC), 128.4 (ArC), 128.5 (ArC), 129.1 (ArC), 136.6 (4ry ArC), 137.9 (4ry ArC), 139.5 (4ry ArC), 174.0 (C(1));  $\delta_{\text{F}}$  (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -80.5 (CF<sub>3</sub>); *m/z* (EI<sup>+</sup>) 366 ([M]<sup>+</sup>, 12%); HRMS (EI<sup>+</sup>) C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>21</sub>F<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup> ([M]<sup>+</sup>) requires 366.1443; found 366.1451 (+2.2 ppm).

#### (*2R,3R,5R*)-methyl 6,6,6-trifluoro-5-hydroxy-3-phenyl-2-(*m*-tolyl)hexanoate

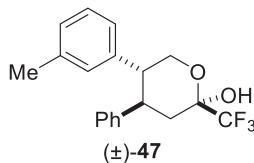


To a solution of lactone (*3R,4R,6R*)-**43** (50.0 mg, 0.15 mmol) (>99:1 dr) in methanol (5 mL) was added DMAP (3.66 mg, 0.03 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred at 40 °C for 5 h before being concentrated *in vacuo* to give crude alcohol (*2R,3R,5R*)-**46** (>99:1 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 20:80) gave alcohol (*2R,3R,5R*)-**46** (>99:1 dr) as a white solid (49.3 mg, 90%);  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  -169.0 (*c* 0.1, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); Chiral HPLC Chiralcel OD-H (10% IPA:hexane, flow rate 1 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm) t<sub>R</sub>(*2R,3R,5R*): 6.1 min, t<sub>R</sub>(*2S,3S,5S*): 7.5 min, 98% *ee*.

Chiralpak AD-H (5% IPA:hexane, flow rate 1 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm) t<sub>R</sub>(2S,3S,5S): 7.4 min, t<sub>R</sub>(2R,3R,5R): 12.8 min, 98% ee.

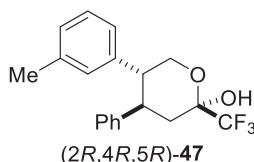
### LiAlH<sub>4</sub> Reduction / Cyclisations

#### 4-phenyl-5-(*m*-tolyl)-2-(trifluoromethyl)tetrahydro-2*H*-pyran-2-ol



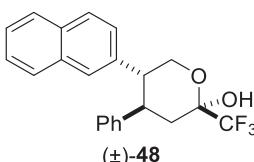
Following general procedure D, lactone ( $\pm$ )-**20** (100 mg, 0.30 mmol) (90:10 dr) and 2M LiAlH<sub>4</sub> in THF (0.60 mL, 1.2 mmol) in THF (1 mL) for 10 minutes at rt gave crude pyran ( $\pm$ )-**47** (90:10 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 10:90) gave pyran ( $\pm$ )-**47** (>99:1 dr) as a colourless oil (77.3 mg, 81%);  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  (thin film) 3418 (O-H), 3030, 2941 (C-H), 1705, 1608, 1591; δ<sub>H</sub> (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 1.94 (1H, t, *J* 13.1, C(3)*H*), 2.12-2.15 (4H, m, C(3)*H* and CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.74 (1H, br s, OH), 3.08 (1H, td, *J* 11.7, 4.6, C(5)*H*), 3.43 (1H, td, 12.2, 3.8, C(4)*H*), 3.86 (1H, dd, *J* 11.4, 4.7, C(6)*H*), 4.00 (1H, t, *J* 11.5, C(6)*H*), 6.81-6.83 (3H, m, Ar*H*), 6.96-7.03 (4H, m, Ar*H*), 7.07-7.10 (2H, m, Ar*H*); δ<sub>C</sub> (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 21.4 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 35.3 (C(3)), 40.7 (C(4)), 47.2 (C(5)), 67.2 (C(6)), 94.5 (q, *J* 32.0, C(2)), 122.7 (q, *J* 284, CF<sub>3</sub>), 125.2 (ArC), 126.6 (ArC), 127.6 (ArC), 127.8 (ArC), 128.3 (ArC), 128.5 (ArC), 128.9 (ArC), 138.0 (4ry ArC), 138.5 (4ry ArC), 142.0 (4ry ArC); δ<sub>F</sub> (470 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -87.1 (CF<sub>3</sub>); *m/z* (ES<sup>+</sup>) 359 ([M+Na]<sup>+</sup>, 100%); HRMS (ES<sup>-</sup>) C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>18</sub>F<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> ([M-H]<sup>+</sup>) requires 335.1259; found 335.1258 (-0.4 ppm).

#### (2*R*,4*R*,5*R*)-4-phenyl-5-(*m*-tolyl)-2-(trifluoromethyl)tetrahydro-2*H*-pyran-2-ol



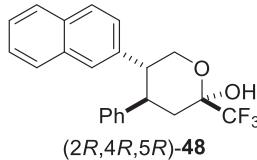
Following general procedure D, lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-**20** (100 mg, 0.30 mmol) (96:4 dr) and 2M LiAlH<sub>4</sub> in THF (0.60 mL, 1.2 mmol) in THF (1 mL) for 10 minutes at rt gave crude pyran (2*R*,4*R*,5*R*)-**47** (96:4 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 10:90) gave pyran (2*R*,4*R*,5*R*)-**47** (>99:1 dr) as a colourless oil (77.1 mg, 80%); [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> -38.3 (c 1.0, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); Chiral HPLC Chiralpak IB (5% IPA:hexane, flow rate 1 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm) t<sub>R</sub>(2*R*,4*R*,5*R*): 5.8 min, t<sub>R</sub>(2*S*,4*S*,5*S*): 7.3 min, 97% ee.

#### 5-(naphthalen-2-yl)-4-phenyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)tetrahydro-2*H*-pyran-2-ol



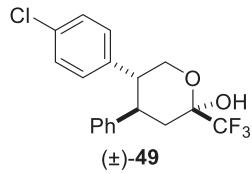
Following general procedure D, lactone ( $\pm$ )-**22** (42.8 mg, 0.12 mmol) (95:5 dr) and 2M LiAlH<sub>4</sub> in THF (0.23 mL, 0.47 mmol) in THF (1 mL) for 10 minutes at rt gave crude pyran ( $\pm$ )-**48** (95:5 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 15:85) gave pyran ( $\pm$ )-**48** (>99:1 dr) as a white solid (38.3 mg, 89%); mp 111–113 °C;  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  (KBr) 3490 (O-H), 3031, 2941 (C-H);  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 2.00 (1H, td, *J* 13.0, 2.6, C(3)H), 2.20 (1H, dd, *J* 13.6, 4.0, C(3)H), 2.75 (1H, d, *J* 2.7, OH), 3.30 (1H, td, *J* 11.7, 4.7, C(5)H), 3.58 (1H, td, 12.1, 4.0, C(4)H), 3.94 (1H, dd, *J* 11.4, 4.7, C(6)H), 4.12 (1H, t, *J* 11.5, C(6)H), 6.94–6.98 (1H, m, ArH), 7.03–7.08 (4H, m, ArH), 7.17–7.19 (1H, m, ArH), 7.29–7.35 (2H, m, ArH), 7.49 (1H, s, ArH), 7.58–7.65 (3H, m, ArH);  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 35.4 (C(3)), 40.8 (C(4)), 47.4 (C(5)), 67.1 (C(6)), 94.5 (q, *J* 32.0, C(2)), 122.7 (q, *J* 284, CF<sub>3</sub>), 125.7 (ArC), 126.0 (ArC), 126.2 (ArC), 126.7 (ArC), 127.2 (ArC), 127.5 (ArC), 127.6 (ArC), 127.6 (ArC), 128.2 (ArC), 128.6 (ArC), 132.5 (4ry ArC), 133.4 (4ry ArC), 136.1 (4ry ArC), 141.8 (4ry ArC);  $\delta_{\text{F}}$  (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) –87.6 (CF<sub>3</sub>); *m/z* (ES<sup>+</sup>) 371 ([M-H]<sup>+</sup>, 100%); HRMS (ES<sup>+</sup>) C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>18</sub>F<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> ([M-H]<sup>+</sup>) requires 371.1259; found 371.1272 (+3.6 ppm).

**(2*R*,4*R*,5*R*)-5-(naphthalen-2-yl)-4-phenyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)tetrahydro-2*H*-pyran-2-ol**



Following general procedure D, lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-**22** (39.8 mg, 0.11 mmol) (98:2 dr) and 2M LiAlH<sub>4</sub> in THF (0.22 mL, 0.44 mmol) in THF (1 mL) for 10 minutes at rt gave crude pyran (2*R*,4*R*,5*R*)-**48** (98:2 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 15:85) gave pyran (2*R*,4*R*,5*R*)-**48** (>99:1 dr) as a white solid (36.7 mg, 90%);  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  –98.7 (*c* 0.15, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); Chiral HPLC Chiraldak AD-H (5% IPA:hexane, flow rate 1 mL min<sup>–1</sup>, 211 nm) t<sub>R</sub>(2*R*,4*R*,5*R*): 11.9 min, t<sub>R</sub>(2*S*,4*S*,5*S*): 17.6 min, 97% ee.

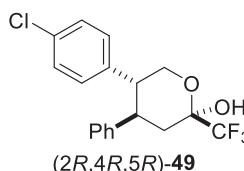
**5-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-phenyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)tetrahydro-2*H*-pyran-2-ol**



Following general procedure D, lactone ( $\pm$ )-**14** (42.2 mg, 0.12 mmol) (>99:1 dr) and 2M LiAlH<sub>4</sub> in THF (0.24 mL, 0.48 mmol) in THF (1 mL) for 10 minutes at rt gave crude pyran ( $\pm$ )-**49** (>99:1 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 15:85) gave pyran ( $\pm$ )-**49** (>99:1 dr) as a colourless oil (39.9 mg, 93%);  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  (thin film) 3399 (O-H), 3031, 2940 (C-H) 1600;  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 1.95 (1H, td, *J* 13.0, 2.1, C(3)H), 2.15 (1H, dd, *J* 13.5, 3.8, C(3)H), 2.72 (1H, d, *J* 2.2, OH), 3.09 (1H, td, *J* 11.7, 4.7, C(5)H), 3.38 (1H, td, 12.1, 3.9, C(4)H), 3.85 (1H, dd, *J* 11.4, 4.6, C(6)H), 4.00 (1H, t, *J* 11.5, C(6)H), 6.95–7.13 (9H, m, ArH);  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 35.2 (C(3)), 41.0 (C(4)), 46.9 (C(5)), 66.8 (C(6)), 94.4 (q, *J* 31.9, C(2)), 122.6 (q, *J* 283, CF<sub>3</sub>), 126.9

(*ArC*), 127.5 (*ArC*), 128.6 (*ArC*), 128.7 (*ArC*), 129.4 (*ArC*), 132.7 (4ry *ArC*), 137.1 (4ry *ArC*), 141.4 (4ry *ArC*);  $\delta_F$  (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -87.6 (CF<sub>3</sub>); *m/z* (ES<sup>-</sup>) 355 ([M-H]<sup>+</sup>, 100%); HRMS (ES<sup>-</sup>) C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>15</sub><sup>35</sup>ClF<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> ([M-H]<sup>+</sup>) requires 355.0713; found 355.0716 (+0.8 ppm).

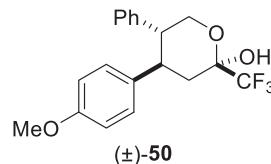
**(2*R*,4*R*,5*R*)-5-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-phenyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)tetrahydro-2*H*-pyran-2-ol**



(2*R*,4*R*,5*R*)-49

Following general procedure D, lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-14 (42.2 mg, 0.12 mmol) (>99:1 dr) and 2M LiAlH<sub>4</sub> in THF (0.22 mL, 0.44 mmol) in THF (1 mL) for 10 minutes at rt gave crude pyran (2*R*,4*R*,5*R*)-49 (>99:1 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 15:85) gave pyran (2*R*,4*R*,5*R*)-49 (>99:1 dr) as a colourless oil (40.3 mg, 94%);  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  -67.0 (*c* 0.1, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); Chiral HPLC Chiraldak AD-H (5% IPA:hexane, flow rate 1 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm) t<sub>R</sub>(2*R*,4*R*,5*R*): 10.7 min, t<sub>R</sub>(2*S*,4*S*,5*S*): 18.5 min, 92% *ee*.

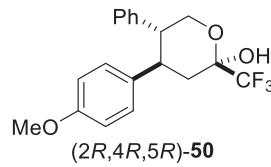
**4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-5-phenyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)tetrahydro-2*H*-pyran-2-ol**



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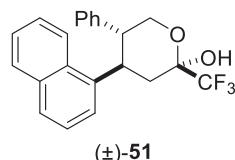
Following general procedure D, lactone (±)-34 (49.7 mg, 0.14 mmol) (87:13 dr) and 2M LiAlH<sub>4</sub> in THF (0.29 mL, 0.57 mmol) in THF (1 mL) for 10 minutes at rt gave crude pyran (±)-50 (87:13 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 15:85) gave pyran (±)-50 (>99:1 dr) as a colourless oil (41.3 mg, 82%);  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  (thin film) 3391 (O-H), 3031, 2939 (C-H), 1612, 1515;  $\delta_H$  (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 1.92 (1H, td, *J* 13.0, 2.5, C(3)*H*), 2.12 (1H, dd, *J* 13.5, 4.0, C(3)*H*), 2.77 (1H, d, *J* 2.6, OH), 3.06 (1H, td, *J* 11.7, 4.7, C(5)*H*), 3.34-3.43 (1H, m, C(4)*H*), 3.62 (3H, s, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 3.87 (1H, dd, *J* 11.4, 4.8, C(6)*H*), 4.02 (1H, t, *J* 11.5, C(6)*H*), 6.60-6.65 (2H, m, Ar*H*), 6.91-6.96 (2H, m, Ar*H*), 7.01-7.14 (5H, m, Ar*H*);  $\delta_C$  (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 35.4 (C(3)), 40.0 (C(4)), 47.7 (C(5), 55.1 (OCH<sub>3</sub>), 67.1 (C(6)), 94.4 (q, *J* 32.0, C(2)), 113.8 (*ArC*), 122.7 (q, *J* 284, CF<sub>3</sub>), 126.9 (*ArC*), 128.2 (*ArC*), 128.4 (*ArC*), 128.5 (*ArC*), 134.0 (4ry *ArC*), 138.7 (4ry *ArC*), 158.1 (4ry *ArC*);  $\delta_F$  (282 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -87.6 (CF<sub>3</sub>), -116.6 (ArF); *m/z* (ES<sup>-</sup>) 351 ([M-H]<sup>+</sup>, 100%); HRMS (ES<sup>-</sup>) C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>18</sub>F<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup> ([M-H]<sup>+</sup>) requires 351.1208; found 351.1204 (-1.1 ppm).

**(2*R*,4*R*,5*R*)-4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-5-phenyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)tetrahydro-2*H*-pyran-2-ol**



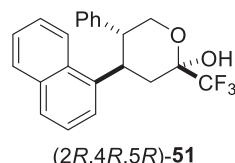
Following general procedure D, lactone (*3R,4R*)-**34** (49.7 mg, 0.14 mmol) (96:4 dr) and 2M LiAlH<sub>4</sub> in THF (0.29 mL, 0.57 mmol) in THF (1 mL) for 10 minutes at rt gave crude pyran (*2R,4R,5R*)-**50** (96:4 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 15:85) gave pyran (*2R,4R,5R*)-**50** (>99:1 dr) as a colourless oil (46.8 mg, 93%);  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  -39.0 (*c* 0.1, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); Chiral HPLC Chiralpak AD-H (5% IPA:hexane, flow rate 1 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm) t<sub>R</sub>(*2R,4R,5R*): 12.7 min, t<sub>R</sub>(*2S,4S,5S*): 44.4 min, 98% *ee*.

#### 4-(naphthalen-1-yl)-5-phenyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)tetrahydro-2*H*-pyran-2-ol



Following general procedure D, lactone (±)-**36** (52.8 mg, 0.14 mmol) (97:3 dr) and 2M LiAlH<sub>4</sub> in THF (0.29 mL, 0.57 mmol) in THF (1 mL) for 10 minutes at rt gave crude pyran (±)-**51** (97:3 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 15:85) gave pyran (±)-**51** (>99:1 dr) as a white solid (49.0 mg, 92%); mp 132–134 °C;  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  (KBr) 3517 (O-H), 3065, 2948 (C-H), 1599;  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 1.85 (1H, t, *J* 12.9, C(3)*H*), 2.36 (1H, dd, *J* 13.7, 3.3, C(3)*H*), 2.81 (1H, s, OH), 3.54 (1H, td, *J* 11.4, 4.5, C(5)*H*), 4.00 (1H, dd, *J* 11.5, 4.6, C(6)*H*), 4.10 (1H, t, *J* 11.4, C(6)*H*), 4.48 (1H, td, 12.0, 3.3, C(4)*H*), 6.96 (1H, t, *J* 7.3, Ar*H*), 7.03 (2H, t, *J* 7.5, Ar*H*) 7.11 (2H, d, *J* 7.3, Ar*H*), 7.22 (1H, t, *J* 7.6, Ar*H*), 7.27 (1H, d, *J* 6.9 Ar*H*), 7.38 (1H, t, *J* 7.5, Ar*H*), 7.47–7.50 (1H, m, Ar*H*), 7.54 (1H, d, *J* 7.9, Ar*H*), 7.72 (1H, d, *J* 8.1, Ar*H*), 8.17 (1H, d, *J* 8.6, Ar*H*);  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 33.9 (C(4)), 36.0 (C(3)), 45.9 (C(5)), 68.1 (C(6)), 94.6 (q, *J* 32.1, C(2)), 122.3 (Ar*H*), 122.6 (q, *J* 283, CF<sub>3</sub>), 123.8 (Ar*C*), 125.5 (Ar*C*), 125.5 (Ar*C*), 126.4 (Ar*C*), 127.0 (Ar*C*), 127.1 (Ar*C*), 128.0 (Ar*C*), 128.6 (Ar*C*), 129.1 (Ar*C*), 131.4 (4ry Ar*C*), 134.0 (4ry Ar*C*), 137.7 (4ry Ar*C*) 138.4 (4ry Ar*C*);  $\delta_{\text{F}}$  (470 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -87.0 (CF<sub>3</sub>), -116.6 (Ar*F*); *m/z* (ES<sup>-</sup>) 371 ([M-H]<sup>+</sup>, 100%); HRMS (ES<sup>-</sup>) C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>18</sub>F<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> ([M-H]<sup>+</sup>) requires 371.1259; found 371.1258 (-0.3 ppm).

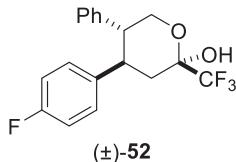
#### (*2R,4R,5R*)-4-(naphthalen-1-yl)-5-phenyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)tetrahydro-2*H*-pyran-2-ol



Following general procedure D, lactone (*3R,4R*)-**36** (52.8 mg, 0.14 mmol) (99:1 dr) and 2M LiAlH<sub>4</sub> in THF (0.29 mL, 0.57 mmol) in THF (1 mL) for 10 minutes at rt gave crude pyran (*2R,4R,5R*)-**51** (99:1 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 15:85) gave pyran (*2R,4R,5R*)-**51** (>99:1 dr) as a white solid

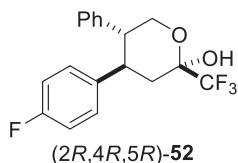
(50.7 mg, 95%);  $[\alpha]_D^{20} +159.6$  (*c* 0.25, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); Chiral HPLC Chiraldak IB (5% IPA:hexane, flow rate 1 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm) t<sub>R</sub>(2*S*,4*S*,5*S*): 9.7 min, t<sub>R</sub>(2*R*,4*R*,5*R*): 13.0 min, 98% *ee*.

#### 4-(4-fluorophenyl)-5-phenyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)tetrahydro-2*H*-pyran-2-ol



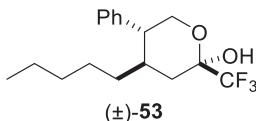
Following general procedure D, lactone (±)-31 (40.3 mg, 0.12 mmol) (99:1 dr) and 2M LiAlH<sub>4</sub> in THF (0.24 mL, 0.48 mmol) in THF (1 mL) for 10 minutes at rt gave crude pyran (±)-52 (99:1 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 15:85) gave pyran (±)-52 (>99:1 dr) as a colourless oil (38.3 mg, 94%);  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  (thin film) 3419 (O-H), 3032, 2941 (C-H), 1704, 1606; δ<sub>H</sub> (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 1.93 (1H, td, *J* 13.0, 2.4, C(3)*H*), 2.13 (1H, dd, *J* 13.4, 3.9, C(3)*H*), 2.72 (1H, d, *J* 2.5, OH), 3.04 (1H, td, *J* 11.7, 4.7, C(5)*H*), 3.42 (1H, ddd, 14.5, 9.8, 4.4, C(4)*H*), 3.88 (1H, dd, *J* 11.4, 4.7, C(6)*H*), 4.04 (1H, t, *J* 11.5, C(6)*H*), 6.77-6.79 (2H, m, Ar*H*), 6.96-7.13 (7H, m, Ar*H*); δ<sub>C</sub> (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 35.2 (C(3)), 40.3 (C(4)), 47.8 (C(5)), 66.9 (C(6)), 94.4 (q, *J* 32.1, C(2)), 115.3 (d, *J* 21.1, ArC), 122.6 (q, *J* 283, CF<sub>3</sub>), 127.1 (ArC), 128.1 (ArC), 128.6 (ArC), 128.9 (d, *J* 7.8, ArC), 137.5 (d, *J* 3.0, 4ry ArC), 138.3 (4ry ArC), 161.5 (d, *J* 243, 4ry ArC); δ<sub>F</sub> (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -87.6 (CF<sub>3</sub>), -116.6 (ArF); *m/z* (ES<sup>-</sup>) 339 ([M-H]<sup>+</sup>, 100%); HRMS (ES<sup>-</sup>) C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>15</sub>F<sub>4</sub>O<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> ([M-H]<sup>+</sup>) requires 339.1008; found 339.1014 (+1.8 ppm).

#### (2*R*,4*R*,5*R*)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-5-phenyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)tetrahydro-2*H*-pyran-2-ol



Following general procedure D, lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-31 (40.3 mg, 0.12 mmol) (>99:1 dr) and 2M LiAlH<sub>4</sub> in THF (0.22 mL, 0.44 mmol) in THF (1 mL) for 10 minutes at rt gave crude pyran (2*R*,4*R*,5*R*)-52 (>99:1 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 15:85) gave pyran (2*R*,4*R*,5*R*)-52 (>99:1 dr) as a colourless oil (37.9 mg, 93%);  $[\alpha]_D^{20} -52.0$  (*c* 0.1, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); Chiral HPLC Chiraldak AD-H (5% IPA:hexane, flow rate 1 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm) t<sub>R</sub>(2*R*,4*R*,5*R*): 8.4 min, t<sub>R</sub>(2*S*,4*S*,5*S*): 26.0 min, 98% *ee*.

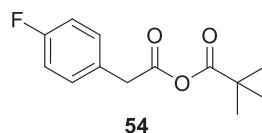
#### 4-pentyl-5-phenyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)tetrahydro-2*H*-pyran-2-ol



Following general procedure D, lactone (±)-40 (50.0 mg, 0.27 mmol) (90:10 dr) and 2M LiAlH<sub>4</sub> in THF (0.54 mL, 1.1 mmol) in THF (1 mL) for 10 minutes at rt gave crude pyran (±)-53 (90:10 dr). Chromatographic

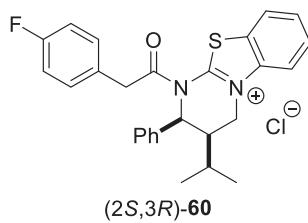
purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 10:90) gave pyran ( $\pm$ )-**53** (>99:1 dr) as a colourless oil (41.0 mg, 80%);  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  (Diamond Cell) 3408 (O-H), 2957, 2932 (C-H), 1602;  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 0.84 (3H, t, *J* 7.11, CH<sub>3</sub>), 0.96-1.31 (8H, m, 4CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.51 (1H, app t, *J* 12.7, C(3)HH), 2.18 (1H, dd, *J* 13.3, 3.9, C(3)HH), 2.22-2.29 (1H, m, C(4)H), 2.61 (1H, td, *J* 11.6, 4.7, C(5)H), 2.68 (1H, br s, OH), 3.80 (1H, dd, *J* 11.3, 4.7, C(6)HH), 3.95 (1H, t, *J* 11.6, C(6)HH), 7.22 (2H, d, *J* 7.2, C(5)Ar(2,6)H), 7.29 (1H, t, *J* 7.3, C(5)Ar(4)H), 7.36 (2H, t, *J* 7.5, C(5)Ar(3,5)H);  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 14.0 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 22.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 25.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 31.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 32.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 33.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 33.5 (C(4)), 48.1 (C(5)), 66.9 (C(6)), 94.5 (q, *J* 31.8, C(2)), 122.8 (q, *J* 284, CF<sub>3</sub>), 127.1 (C(5)-ArC(4)), 128.2 (ArC), 128.7 (ArC), 139.5 (C(5)-4ry ArC(1)); *m/z* (APCI<sup>+</sup>) 316 ([M]<sup>+</sup>, 100%); HRMS (APCI<sup>+</sup>) C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>27</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> ([M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>) requires 334.1988; found 334.1986 (-0.7 ppm).

### 2-(4-fluorophenyl)acetic pivalic anhydride



To a solution of 4-fluorophenylacetic acid (100 mg, 0.65 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (3 mL) at rt was added DIPEA (0.17 mL, 0.98 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (0.12 mL, 0.98 mmol). The reaction mixture was allowed to stir for 15 minutes before being concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude reaction mixture was treated with petrol (10 mL) and then filtered to remove inorganic salts. The filtrate was concentrated in vacuo to give mixed anhydride **54** as a yellow oil (150 mg, 97%) which was used crude without further purification.  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (400 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) 1.09 (9H, s, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 3.66 (2H, s, CH<sub>2</sub>), 6.93-6.99 (2H, m, Ar(3,5)H), 7.15-7.20 (2H, m, Ar(2,6)H);  $\delta_{\text{F}}$  (376 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) -116.2 (ArF).

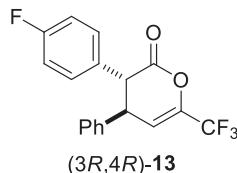
### (2*S*,3*R*)-1-(2-(4-fluorophenyl)acetyl)-3-isopropyl-2-phenyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydrobenzo[4,5]thiazolo[3,2-a]pyrimidin-5-i um chloride



To a solution of 4-fluorophenylacetyl chloride (100 mg, 0.58 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (2 mL) was added isothiourea (2*S*,3*R*)-**6** (178 mg, 0.58 mmol) and the reaction mixture was allowed to stir at rt for 10 minutes before being filtered to give salt (2*S*,3*R*)-**60** as a light yellow solid (257 mg, 92%); mp 102-104 °C (dec);  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  (KBr) 2925 (C-H), 1712 (C=O), 1603, 1535, 1511;  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (400 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) 0.95 (3H, d, *J* 6.7, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.42 (3H, d, *J* 6.6, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.65-1.74 (1H, m, CH(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>), 3.13-3.21 (1H, m, C(3)H), 3.66 (1H, d, *J* 17.7, CHH), 3.95 (1H, app. t, *J* 13.0, C(4)HH), 4.79 (1H, dd, *J* 13.3, 4.4, C(4)HH), 5.51 (1H, d, *J* 17.8, CHH), 6.60 (1H, d, *J* 4.2, C(2)H), 6.95-6.99 (2H, m, 4-FAr(3,5)H), 7.15-7.18 (2H, m, ArH), 7.19-7.23 (2H, m, 4-FAr(2,6)H), 7.42-7.48 (3H, m, ArH), 7.66-

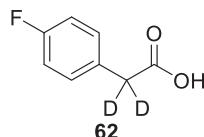
7.70 (1H, m, ArH), 7.81 (1H, td, *J* 7.9, 1.0), 8.02 (1H, d, *J* 8.4, ArH), 8.10 (1H, d, *J* 7.6, ArH);  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  (125 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) 19.6 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 21.9 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 26.8 (CH(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>), 39.8 (C(3)), 40.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 44.8 (C(4)), 61.5 (C(2)), 114.2 (ArC), 115.4 (d, *J* 21.3, 4-FArC(3,5)), 123.4 (ArC), 126.2 (ArC), 127.1 (ArC), 127.7 (d, *J* 3.0, 4-FArC(1)), 127.9 (ArC), 129.6 (ArC), 129.9 (ArC), 129.9 (ArC), 131.9 (d, *J* 8.0, 4-FArC(2,6)), 134.6 (ArC), 136.1 (ArC), 160.7 (C=N), 162.2 (d, *J* 24.5, 4-FArC(4)), 173.7 (C=O);  $\delta_{\text{F}}$  (376 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) -116.3 (ArF); *m/z* (ES<sup>+</sup>) 445 ([M]<sup>+</sup>, 100%); HRMS (ES<sup>+</sup>) C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>26</sub>FN<sub>2</sub>OS<sup>+</sup> ([M]<sup>+</sup>) requires 445.1750; found 445.1743 (-1.4 ppm).

**(3*R*,4*R*)-3-(4-fluorophenyl)-4-phenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one**



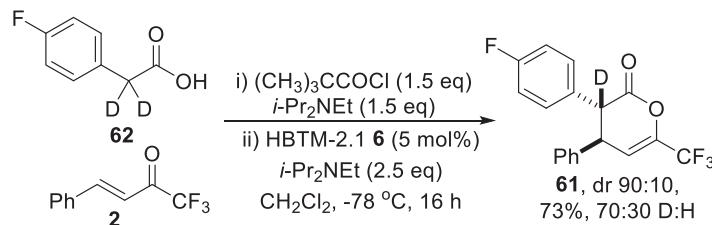
Following general procedure C, 4-fluorophenylacetic acid (30.8 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), acyl ammonium (*2S,3R*)-**60** (4.81 mg, 0.01 mmol, 5 mol%), enone **2** (40.0 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 16 h at -78 °C gave crude lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-**13** (90:10 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 5:95) gave lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-**13** (>99:1 dr) as a white solid (59.3 mg, 88%);  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  -256.0 (*c* 0.1, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); Chiral HPLC Chiralcel OD-H (10% IPA:hexane, flow rate 1 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm) t<sub>R</sub>(3*R*,4*R*): 19.2 min, t<sub>R</sub>(3*S*,4*S*): 39.4 min, 99% ee.

**2-d<sup>2</sup>-(4-fluorophenyl)acetic acid**



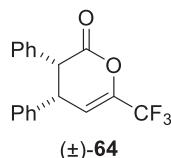
To a solution of 4-fluorophenylacetic acid (1.00 g, 6.49 mmol) in D<sub>2</sub>O (6 mL) was added K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (3.59 g, 26.0 mmol) and the reaction mixture was heated at reflux for 16 h. The crude reaction mixture was acidified by careful addition of 8M HCl and extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. The organic layer was separated, dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered and concentrated *in vacuo*. The whole process was repeated a further 3 times to give acid **62** as a white solid (570 mg, 56%) which was 99% deuterated according to <sup>1</sup>H NMR; mp 83-84 °C;  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  (Diamond Cell) 3200-2520 (CO<sub>2</sub>H), 2922 (C-H), 1692 (C=O), 1608, 1512;  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 7.02-7.10 (2H, m, Ar(3,5)H), 7.25-7.32 (2H, m, Ar(2,6)H), 11.9 (1H, s, OH);  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 116.0 (d, *J* 21.4, ArC(3,5)), 129.3 (ArC(1)), 131.4 (d, *J* 8.0, ArC(2,6)), 163.0 (d, *J* 244, ArC(4)), 178.7 (C=O); *m/z* (ES<sup>+</sup>) 155 ([M-H]<sup>+</sup>, 100%); HRMS (NSI<sup>+</sup>) C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>4</sub>D<sub>2</sub>FO<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> ([M-H]<sup>+</sup>) requires 155.0483; found 155.0484 (+0.7 ppm).

**Reaction using 2-d<sup>2</sup>-(4-fluorophenyl)acetic acid**



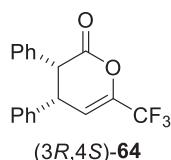
Following general procedure D, acetic acid **62** (31.2 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), Ph/i-Pr isothiourea catalyst (2*S*,3*R*)-**6** (3.08 mg, 0.01 mmol, 5 mol%), enone **2** (40.0 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 16 h at -78 °C gave crude lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-**61** (90:10 dr) with 30% proton incorporation observed at C(3). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 5:95) gave lactone (3*R*,4*R*)-**63** (>99:1 dr) as a white solid (49.0 mg, 73%).

### 3,4-diphenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one



Following general procedure C, phenyl acetic acid (27.2 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), Ph/i-Pr isothiourea catalyst ( $\pm$ )-**6** (3.09 mg, 0.01 mmol), enone **2** (40.0 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 1 h at -78 °C gave crude lactone ( $\pm$ )-**64** (81:19 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 3:97) gave lactone ( $\pm$ )-**64** (92:8 dr) as a white solid (46.2 mg, 73%); mp 100-102 °C;  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  (KBr) 3094, 2922 (C-H), 1790 (C=O), 1705; Data for major diastereoisomer:  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 3.86-3.91 (1H, m, C(4)H), 4.23 (1H, d, *J* 7.1, C(3)H), 6.23 (1H, dd, *J* 5.9, 0.6, C(5)H), 6.63-6.66 (2H, m, ArH), 6.69-6.72 (2H, m, ArH), 7.05-7.23 (6H, m, ArH);  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 44.4 (C(4)), 51.0 (C(3)), 111.3 (q, *J* 3.4, C(5)), 118.6 (q, *J* 270, CF<sub>3</sub>), 128.0 (ArC), 128.1 (ArC), 128.4 (ArC), 128.5 (ArC), 128.8 (ArC), 129.6 (ArC), 132.6 (4ry ArC), 134.7 (4ry ArC), 141.6 (q, *J* 38, C(6)), 165.5 (C(2));  $\delta_{\text{F}}$  (282 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -72.5 (CF<sub>3</sub>); *m/z* (APCI<sup>+</sup>) 319 ([M+H]<sup>+</sup>, 100%); HRMS (APCI<sup>+</sup>) C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>14</sub>F<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> ([M+H]<sup>+</sup>) requires 319.0940; found 319.0944 (+1.1 ppm).

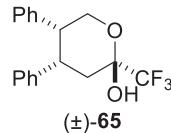
### (3*R*,4*S*)-3,4-diphenyl-6-(trifluoromethyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-one



Following general procedure C, phenylacetic acid (27.2 mg, 0.20 mmol), DIPEA (51.9  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) and pivaloyl chloride (37.0  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL), Ph/i-Pr isothiourea catalyst (2*S*,3*R*)-**6** (3.09 mg, 0.01 mmol, 5 mol%), enone **2** (40.0 mg, 0.20 mmol) and DIPEA (87  $\mu$ L, 0.5 mmol) for 1 h at -78 °C gave crude

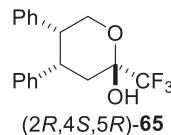
lactone (*3R,4S*)-**64** (85:15 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 3:97) gave lactone (*3R,4S*)-**64** (91:9 dr) as a white solid (47.3 mg, 74%);  $[\alpha]_D^{20} +370.0$  (*c* 0.2, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); Chiral HPLC Chiralpak IB (5% IPA:hexane, flow rate 1 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm) t<sub>R</sub>(*3S,4R*): 6.5 min, t<sub>R</sub>(*3R,4S*): 9.2 min, 99% *ee*.

#### **4,5-diphenyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)tetrahydro-2*H*-pyran-2-ol**



Following general procedure D, lactone ( $\pm$ )-**64** (37 mg, 0.12 mmol) (92:8 dr) and 2M LiAlH<sub>4</sub> in THF (0.23 mL, 0.46 mmol) in THF (1 mL) for 10 minutes at rt gave crude pyran ( $\pm$ )-**65** (92:8 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 15:85) gave pyran ( $\pm$ )-**65** (93:7 dr) as a white solid (30.2 mg, 81%); mp 130–132 °C;  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  (Diamond Cell) 3526 (O-H), 3029, 2944 (C-H), 1700, 1618; Data for major diastereoisomer:  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 1.82 (1H, dd, *J* 13.2, 3.3, C(3)HH), 2.21 (1H, t, *J* 13.5, C(3)HH), 2.73 (1H, br s, OH), 2.94 (1H, t, *J* 4.0, C(5)H), 3.73 (1H, dt, 14.0, 4.0, C(4)H), 4.21 (1H, d, *J* 11.5, C(6)HH), 4.53 (1H, dd, *J* 11.5, 3.5, C(6)HH), 6.68–6.71 (2H, m, ArH), 6.87–6.89 (2H, m, ArH), 7.00–7.10 (6H, m, ArH);  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 26.4 (C(3)), 38.6 (C(4)), 45.2 (C(5)), 66.8 (C(6)), 94.7 (q, *J* 32.1, C(2)), 122.9 (q, *J* 284, CF<sub>3</sub>), 126.6 (ArC), 126.7 (ArC), 127.6 (ArC), 127.9 (ArC), 128.1 (ArC), 129.7 (ArC), 138.8 (4ry ArC), 141.3 (4ry ArC);  $\delta_{\text{F}}$  (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) -87.8 (CF<sub>3</sub>); *m/z* (APCI<sup>+</sup>) 340 ([M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>, 100%); HRMS (APCI<sup>+</sup>) C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>21</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> ([M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>) requires 340.1519; found 340.1517 (-0.6 ppm).

#### **(*2R,4S,5R*)-4,5-diphenyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)tetrahydro-2*H*-pyran-2-ol**

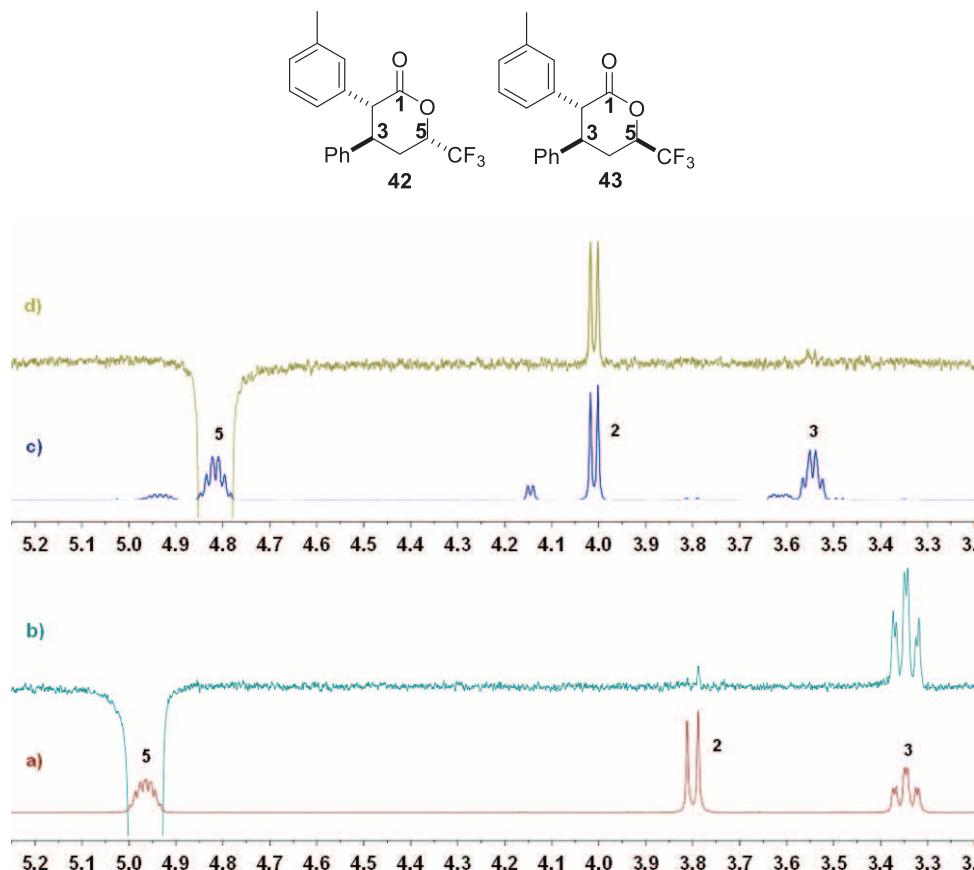


Following general procedure D, lactone (*3R,4S*)-**64** (84 mg, 0.26 mmol) (92:8 dr) and 2M LiAlH<sub>4</sub> in THF (0.53 mL, 1.06 mmol) in THF (1 mL) for 10 minutes at rt gave crude pyran (*2R,4S,5R*)-**65** (92:8 dr). Chromatographic purification (eluent Et<sub>2</sub>O:petrol 15:85) gave pyran (*2R,4S,5R*)-**65** (94:6 dr) as a white solid (65.0 mg, 76%);  $[\alpha]_D^{20} -232$  (*c* 0.2, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); Chiral HPLC Chiralcel OJ-H (5% IPA:hexane, flow rate 1 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm) t<sub>R</sub>(*2S,4R,5S*): 13.2 min, t<sub>R</sub>(*2R,4S,5R*): 15.5 min, 99% *ee*.

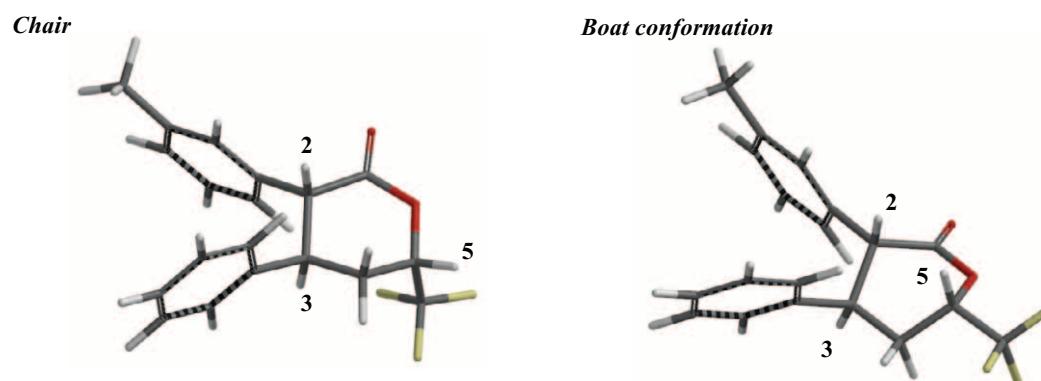
#### **1.8 NMR Analysis**

The stereochemistry of lactone **42** was assigned on the basis of the NOE observed between H5 and H3 (Figure 1). In the case of the diastereomeric lactone **43**, a surprisingly strong NOE between H5 and H2 was observed. This can be explained by the presence of a boat conformation, which according to DFT calculations at the B3LYP/6-31G\*\* level of theory, is only about 6 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup> higher in energy than the more stable chair conformation (Figure 2). Further evidence about the stereochemistry of **43** was provided by analysis of the

coupling pattern of the H5 resonance (Figure 3). Simulation of the ddq coupling pattern by Bruker Topspin DAISY module shows a  $^3J_{\text{HH}}$  coupling constant of 12.2 Hz which is in accordance with an axial position of H5 in the minimum energy chair conformation of **43**. The structure of **43**, obtained by MM conformational search and geometry optimisation at B3LYP/6-31G\*\* level of theory, is shown in Figure 3c. The H4a-C-C-H5 dihedral angle of 170.8° corresponds to coupling constant of 11.7 Hz, calculated by the Althona equation, which is in good agreement with the experimental data.



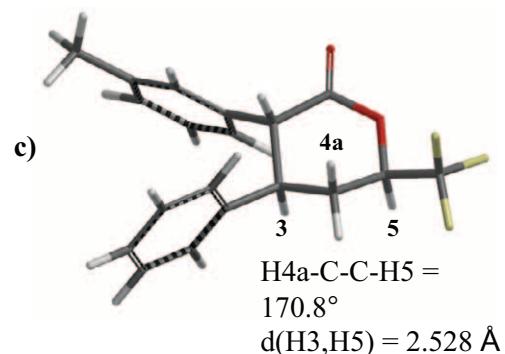
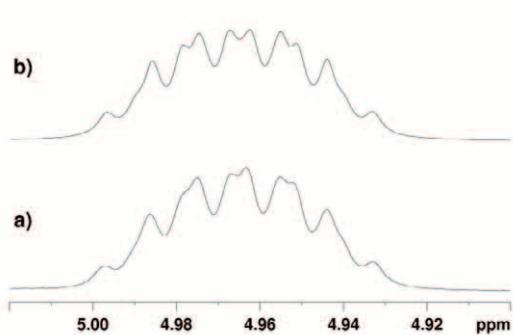
**Figure 1**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of **43** (a) and **42** (c) and corresponding 1D gs-NOESY spectra (b, d) acquired upon selective irradiation of H5. NOEs observed for H3 and H2 enables stereochemical assignment of **43** and **42** respectively.



$$E_{\text{rel}} = 0.0 \text{ kJ.mol}^{-1}, d(\text{H2,H5}) = 4.163 \text{ \AA}$$
$$d(\text{H3,H5}) = 3.812 \text{ \AA}$$

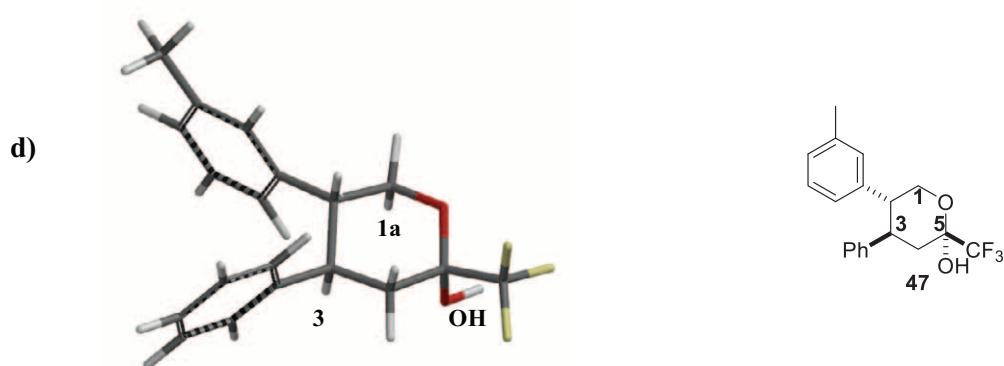
$$E_{\text{rel}} = 6.4 \text{ kJ.mol}^{-1}, d(\text{H2,H5}) = 2.319 \text{ \AA}$$
$$d(\text{H3,H5}) = 3.834 \text{ \AA}$$

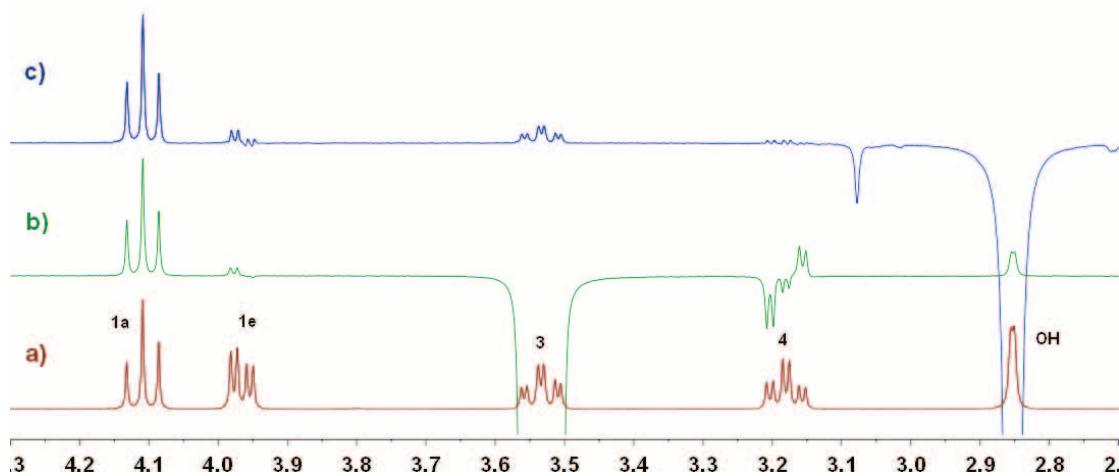
**Figure 2** Geometries of both chair and boat conformations of **42** calculated at the B3LYP/6-31G\*\* level of theory, corresponding relative energies and distances between H2, H3 and H5 protons.



**Figure 3** Experimental (a) and simulated (b) ddq coupling pattern of the H5 resonance of compound **43** which enables us to derive coupling constants 12.2, 5.5 and 3.18 Hz. c) The structure of minimum energy conformation of **43** obtained by MM conformational search and geometry optimisation at the B3LYP/6-31G\*\* level of theory.

The 1D gs-NOESY spectra of **47** shows NOEs between OH, H3 and H1a resonances (Figure 4). This implies a R-configuration at C5 which places the hydroxyl group in an axial position along with protons H3 and H1a as shown by the structure of minimum energy conformation of **47** obtained by MM conformational search and geometry optimisation at B3LYP/6-31G\*\* level of theory.



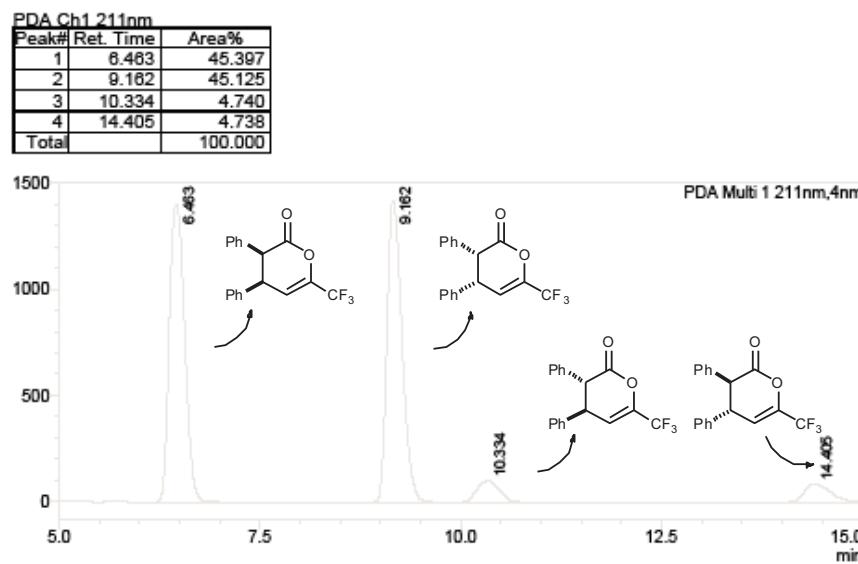


**Figure 4** <sup>1</sup>H NMR of **47** (a) and corresponding 1D gs-NOESY spectra acquired upon selective irradiation of H3 (b) and OH (c). NOEs observed between OH, H3 and H1a enables the stereochemical assignment of **47**. d) The structure of minimum energy conformation of **47** obtained by MM conformational search and geometry optimisation at B3LYP/6-31G\*\* level of theory.

### 1.9 Mechanistic and kinetic studies

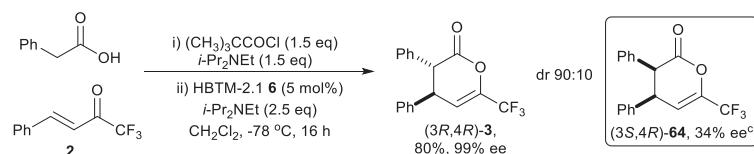
#### Determination of all stereoisomers

#### Racemic sample of both diastereoisomers

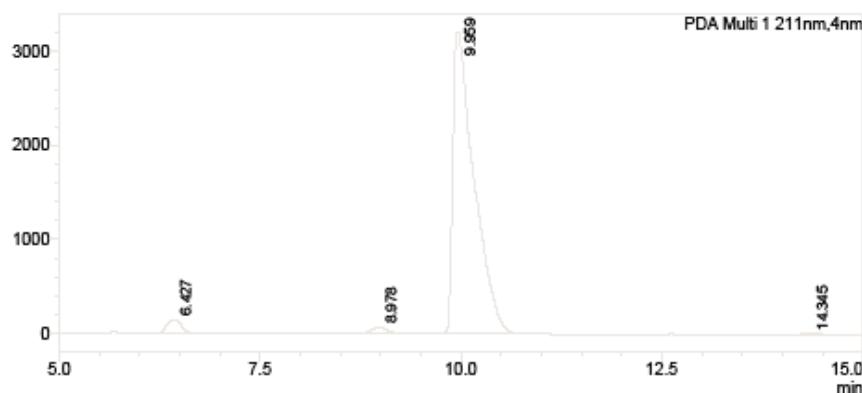


Chiral HPLC Chiraldak IB (5% IPA:hexane, flow rate 1 mL min<sup>-1</sup>, 211 nm, 30 °C) Syn Diastereoisomer: t<sub>R</sub>(3S,4R): 6.5 min, t<sub>R</sub>(3R,4S): 9.2 min; Anti Diastereoisomer: t<sub>R</sub>(3R,4R): 10.3 min, t<sub>R</sub>(3S,4S): 14.4 min

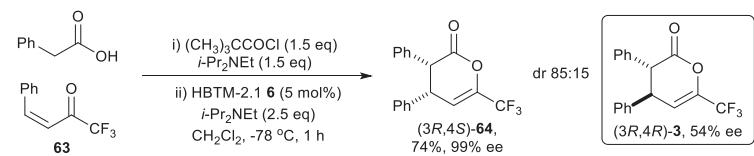
### Reaction using (*E*)-enone



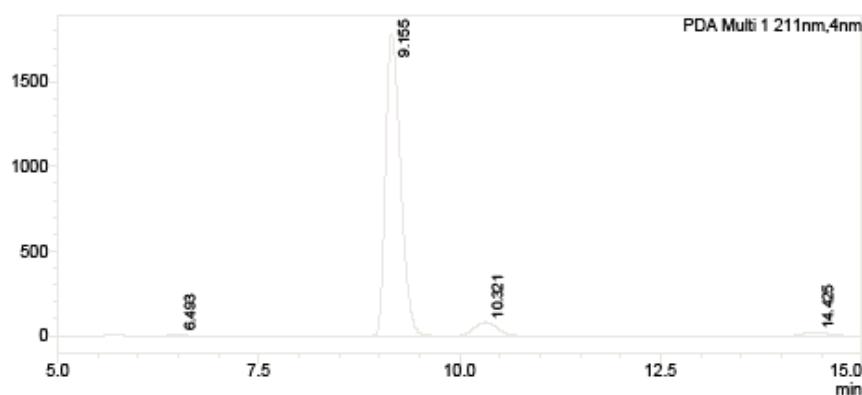
PDA Ch1 211nm		
Peak#	Ret. Time	Area%
1	6.427	3.255
2	8.978	1.607
3	9.959	94.912
4	14.345	0.227
Total		100.000



### Reaction using (*Z*)-enone



PDA Ch1 211nm		
Peak#	Ret. Time	Area%
1	6.493	0.447
2	9.155	91.385
3	10.321	6.309
4	14.425	1.879
Total		100.000



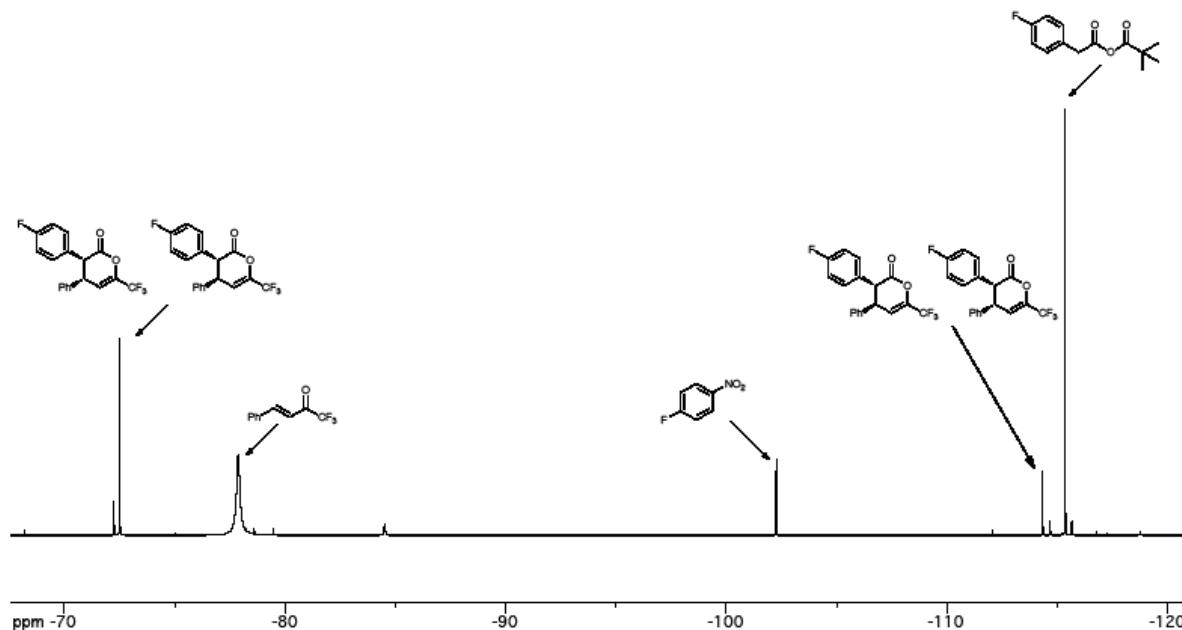
### Kinetic Studies

To complement these synthetic studies, kinetic investigations aimed to establish the catalytic cycle were performed. 4-Fluorophenylacetic acid (preactivated with pivaloyl chloride and Hunig's base to prepare the mixed anhydride **54** *in situ*) and trifluoromethylenone **2** were used as model substrates in order to measure reaction progress by *in situ*  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR spectroscopic analysis. The reactions were performed in  $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$  at -78 °C using HBTM 2.1 **6**.

### General Experimental Procedure For Kinetic Studies

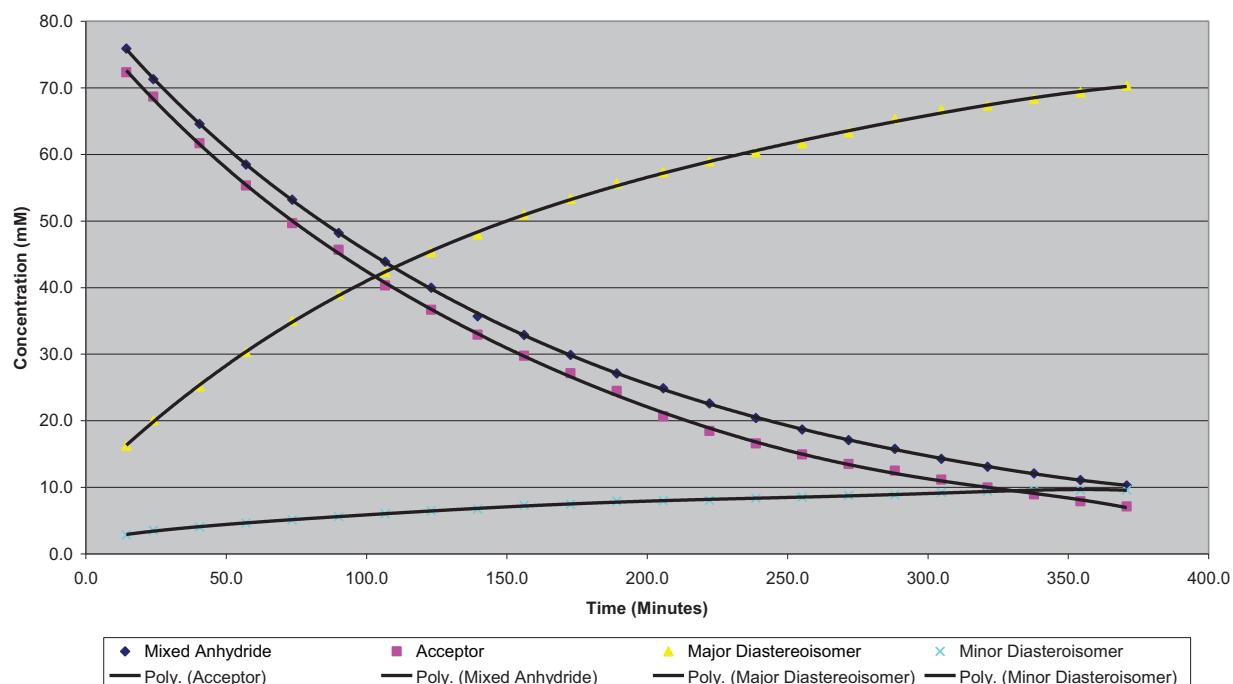
To an NMR tube was added the required amount of 4-fluorophenylacetic acid, 1-fluoro-4-nitrobenzene, DIPEA, pivaloyl chloride and  $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ . Subsequently, at -78 °C was added the required amount of isothiourea (*2S,3R*)-**6**, enone **2** and DIPEA. The reaction was followed dynamically by  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR at -78 °C.

A typical  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR spectrum is shown below in which the key species are clearly visible and highlighted, including both diastereoisomers of the forming lactone **3** and **64**, 4-fluoronitrobenzene (standard), trifluoromethylenone **2** and mixed anhydride **54**.

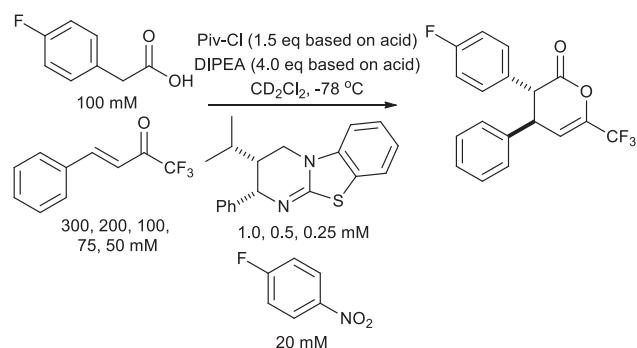


A typical kinetic profile is shown below for the reaction with reactant concentrations: 100 mM Acid, 100 mM Acceptor, 20 mM Standard, 0.5 mM catalyst. It is clearly visible that both the major and minor diastereoisomers of lactone **3** and **64** increase in concentration over time while the concentration of both the mixed anhydride **54** and enone **2** decrease over time. Typically the reactions were approximately 20% complete by the time of the first obtained data point.

### Trifluoro Acceptor Kinetics



Kinetic runs for eight combinations of initial concentrations of anhydride, acceptor and catalyst were performed (see table). Data for the concentrations of both the mixed anhydride and the enone acceptor are given below. Data were fitted (using MATLAB® R2011a) using plots of log concentrations (of either anhydride or enone) vs time. Only data either the anhydride or enone has not fallen to zero is presented and fitted. While plots of the natural log of the concentration of the anhydride vs time are linear in all cases, the plots of the natural log of the enone acceptor vs time are only (coincidentally) linear when anhydride and enone concentration are equal throughout the reaction. The fitted “t = 0” intercept concentrations of the anhydride and observed rate constants  $k_{\text{obs}}$  are shown in the table.



Run	[acceptor 2] / mM	[4-fluorophenylacetic acid] / mM	[catalyst 6] / mM	[anhydride] <sub>0</sub> / mM	$k_{obs} \times 10^3$
1	100	100	0.5	80.2±1	5.64±0.03
2	50	100	0.5	74.4±1	4.5±0.1
3	75	100	0.5	74.5±1	4.09±0.02
4	200	100	0.5	69.8±1	4.57±0.03
5	300	100	0.5	69.3±1	4.71±0.03
6	100	100	0.25	66.7±1	3.11±0.01
7	100	100	1.0	65.5±1	12.17±0.07
8	100	100* (d <sub>2</sub> )	0.5	72.0±1	1.47±0.01

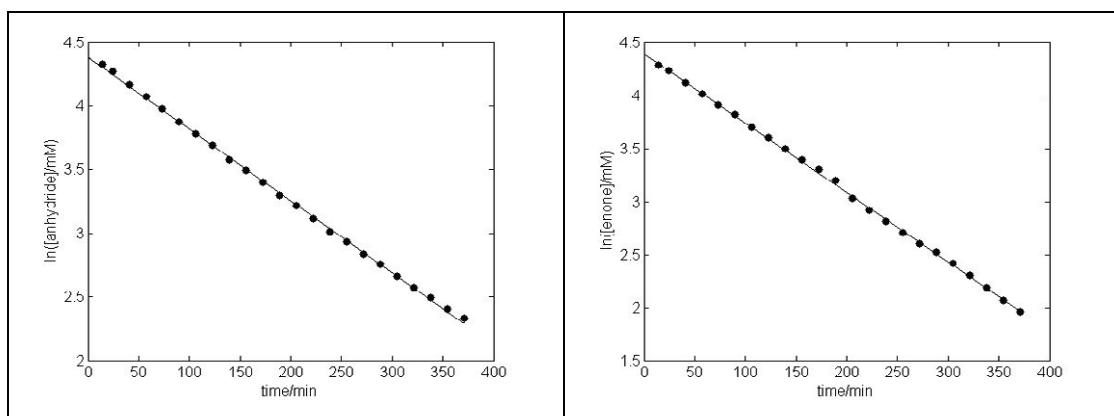
\*2-d<sup>2</sup>-(4-fluorophenyl)acetic acid used

**Data from NMR experiments.** Concentrations are calculated based on 20 nM internal standard. See table above for initial conditions. Plots of ln([anhydride]/mM) and ln([enone]/mM) vs time are included for each run.

### Run 1

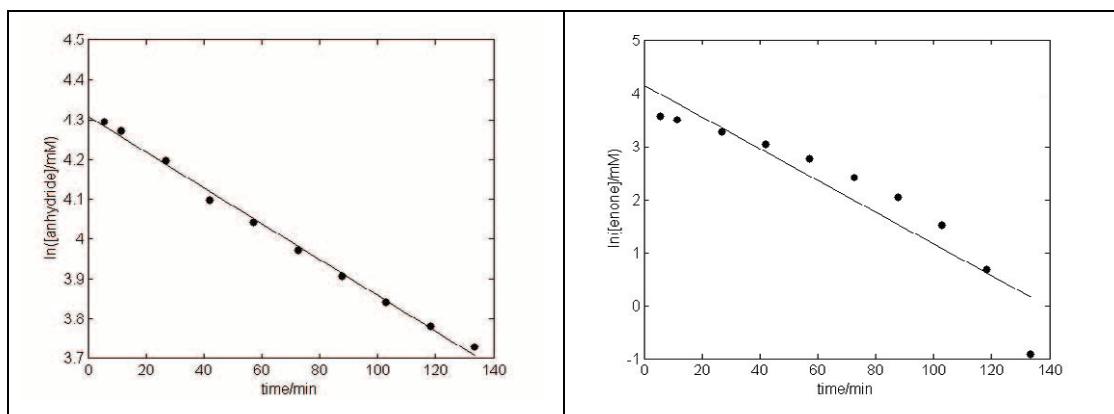
Time (minutes)	Concentration anhydride / mM	Concentration enone / mM
14.40	75.9	72.33
24.02	71.3	68.67
40.52	64.6	61.67
57.03	58.5	55.33
73.55	53.2	49.67
90.07	48.2	45.67
106.58	43.9	40.33
123.00	40.0	36.67
139.60	35.7	32.93
156.10	32.9	29.77
172.65	29.9	27.13
189.17	27.1	24.47
205.67	24.9	20.67
222.20	22.6	18.47
238.70	20.4	16.6

255.22	18.7	14.93
271.73	17.1	13.5
288.23	15.8	12.5
304.75	14.3	11.17
321.27	13.1	9.97
337.80	12.1	8.93
354.32	11.1	7.9
370.82	10.3	7.13



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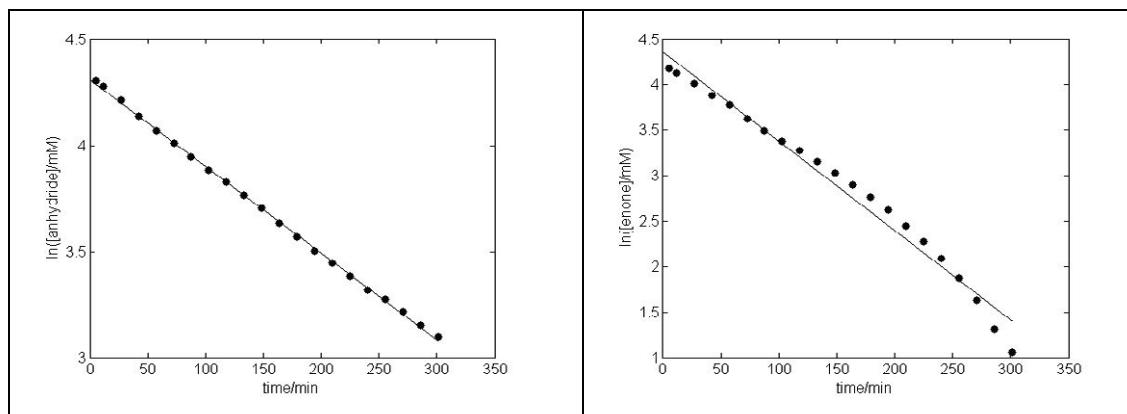
Time (minutes)	Concentration anhydride / mM	Concentration enone / mM
5.52	73.30	35.33
11.53	71.60	32.93
26.77	66.50	26.53
42.00	60.30	20.90
57.25	57.00	15.90
72.48	53.10	11.23
87.72	49.70	7.67
102.97	46.60	4.53
118.20	43.80	1.97
133.45	41.60	0.40



### Run 3

Time (minutes)	Concentration anhydride / mM	Concentration enone / mM
5.07	74.10	65.00
11.52	72.20	62.00
26.75	67.50	55.33
41.98	62.60	48.67
57.22	58.40	43.67
72.45	55.20	37.67
87.70	51.70	32.97
102.92	48.70	29.37
118.17	45.90	26.37
133.40	43.10	23.37
148.65	40.60	20.67
163.88	37.90	18.23
179.12	35.50	15.87
194.37	33.20	13.77
209.58	31.40	11.57
224.82	29.50	9.67
240.07	27.60	8.10
255.30	26.40	6.53
270.55	25.00	5.10
285.78	23.40	3.70
301.03	22.20	2.88
316.27	20.70	1.73
331.50	20.00	1.07
346.75	19.20	0.50

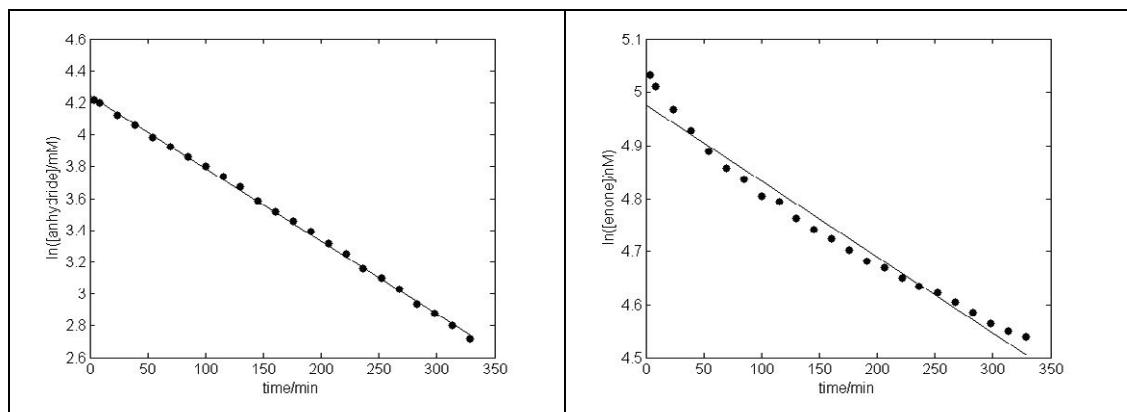
361.98	18.50	0.29
377.22	18.20	0.00



#### Run 4

Time (minutes)	Concentration anhydride / mM	Concentration enone / mM
3.4	67.7	153.30
8.4	66.6	150.00
23.6	61.6	143.70
38.9	58.0	138.00
54.1	53.7	132.67
69.4	50.7	128.67
84.6	47.4	126.00
99.8	44.8	122.00
115.1	42.0	120.67
130.3	39.3	117.00
145.6	36.1	114.67
160.8	33.7	112.67
176.0	31.7	110.33
191.3	29.8	108.00
206.5	27.5	106.67
221.8	25.8	104.67
236.0	23.5	103.00
252.2	22.2	101.67
267.5	20.7	100.00
282.7	18.8	98.00
298.0	17.8	96.00

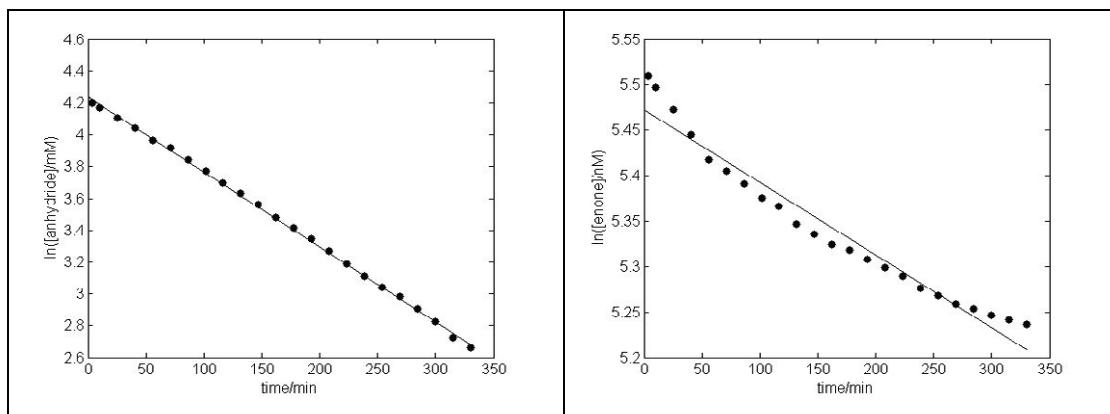
313.2	16.5	94.67
328.4	15.2	93.67



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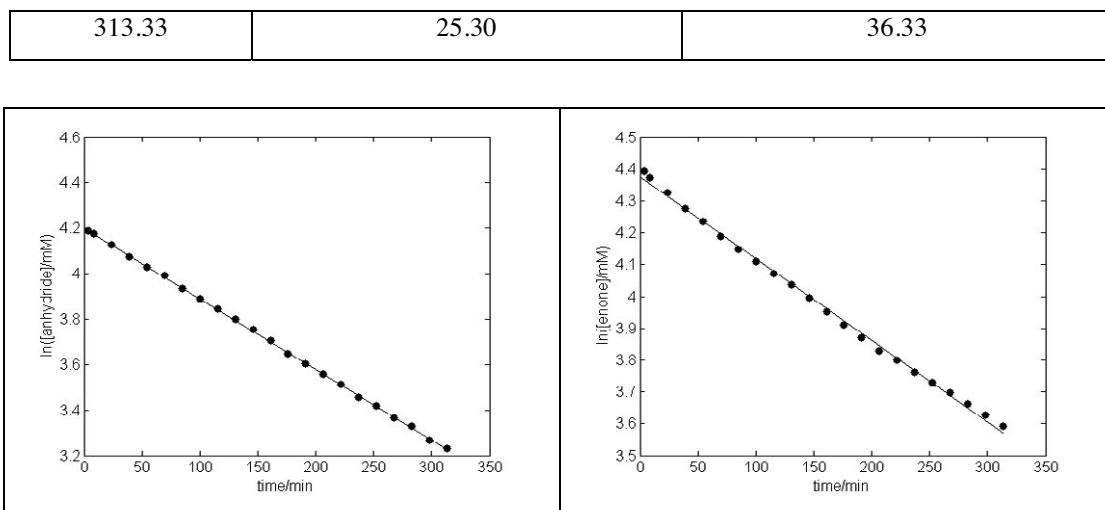
Time (minutes)	Concentration anhydride / mM	Concentration enone / mM
4.0	66.6	247.00
9.9	64.7	244.00
25.2	60.8	238.00
40.4	56.9	231.67
55.7	52.8	225.33
70.9	50.3	222.67
86.2	46.6	219.33
101.4	43.5	216.00
116.6	40.4	214.00
131.9	37.7	210.00
147.1	35.3	207.67
162.4	32.4	205.33
177.6	30.4	204.00
192.8	28.3	202.00
208.1	26.3	200.00
223.3	24.2	198.23
238.5	22.4	195.67
253.8	20.9	194.00
269.0	19.7	192.33
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314.7	15.3	189.00
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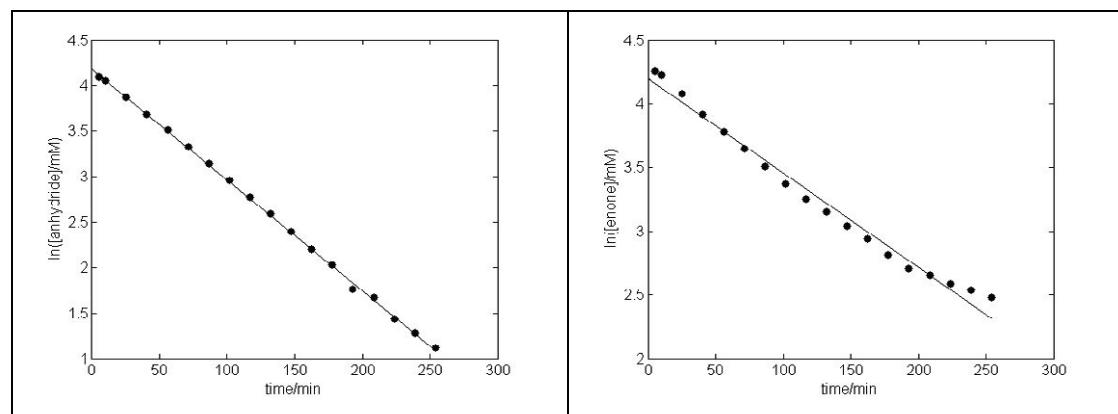
### Run 6

Time (minutes)	Concentration anhydride / mM	Concentration enone / mM
3.70	65.80	81.00
8.52	65.00	79.33
23.75	61.90	75.66
39.00	58.80	72.00
54.23	56.30	69.00
69.48	54.20	66.00
84.72	51.10	63.33
99.97	48.90	61.00
115.20	46.70	58.66
130.43	44.70	56.66
145.68	42.80	54.33
160.92	40.70	52.00
176.15	38.33	50.00
191.40	36.70	48.00
206.63	35.10	46.00
221.88	33.50	44.67
237.13	31.70	43.00
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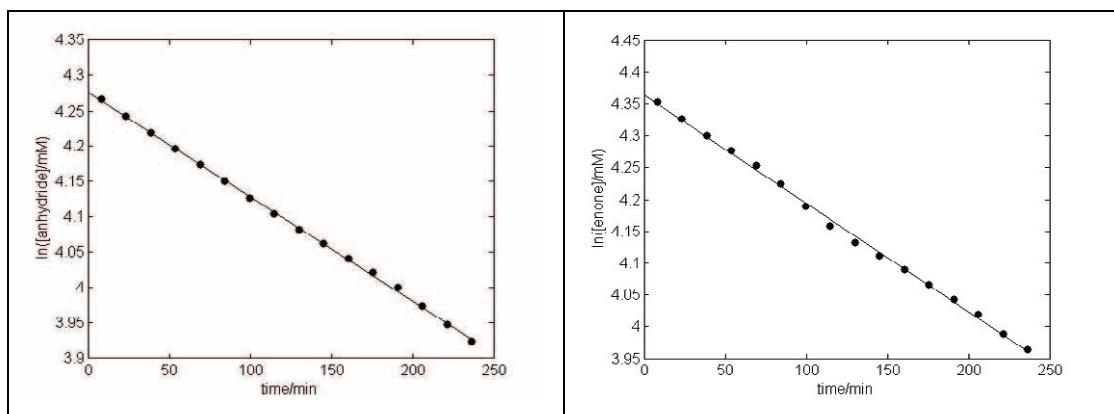
### Run 7

Time (minutes)	Concentration anhydride / mM	Concentration enone / mM
5.18	60.3	70.67
10.13	57.4	68.33
25.38	48	59.00
40.62	40	50.33
55.87	33.4	43.67
71.12	27.8	38.33
86.35	23.3	33.33
101.60	19.2	29.00
116.85	16	25.97
132.08	13.3	23.33
147.30	11	21.00
162.53	9.09	18.87
177.78	7.61	16.67
193.02	5.8	15.00
208.28	5.33	14.20
223.53	4.19	13.33
238.77	3.6	12.60
254.02	3.05	11.90



### Run 8

Time (minutes)	Concentration anhydride / mM	Concentration enone / mM
8.1	71.3	77.7
23.3	69.6	75.7
38.6	68.0	73.7
53.8	66.5	72.0
69.1	65.0	70.3
84.3	63.5	68.3
99.6	62.0	66.0
114.8	60.6	64.0
130.0	59.3	62.3
145.3	58.1	61.0
160.5	56.9	59.7
175.7	55.8	58.3
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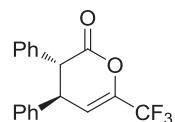


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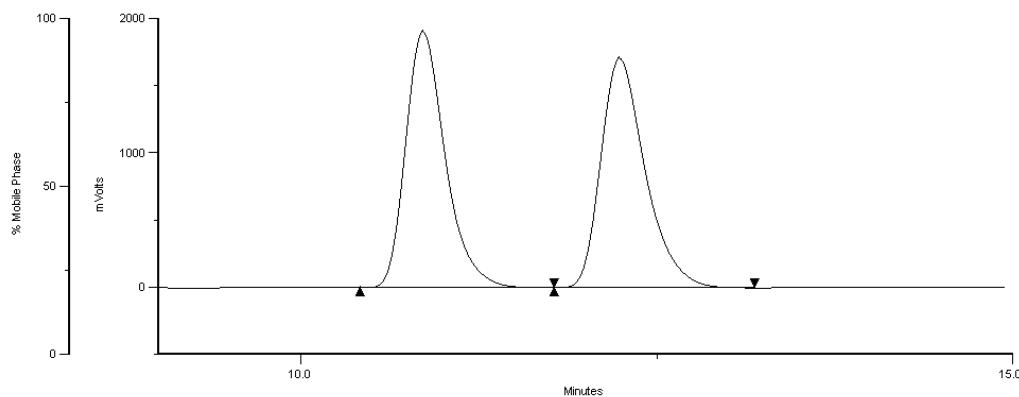
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## HPLC Data

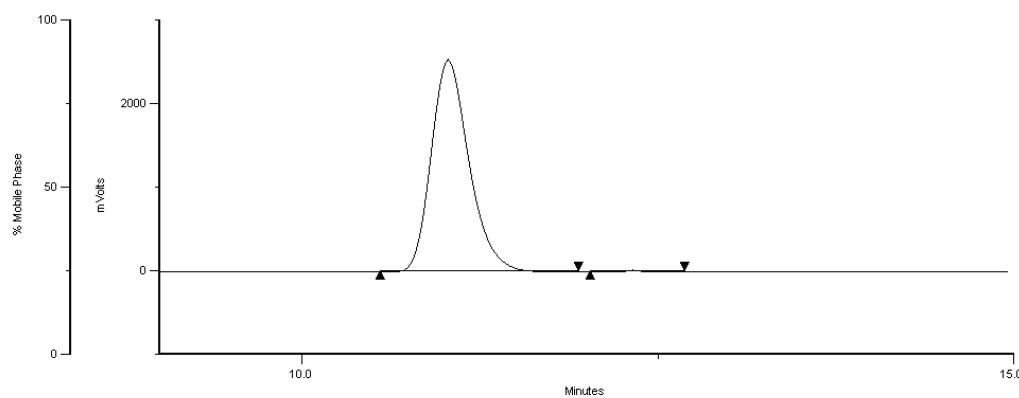
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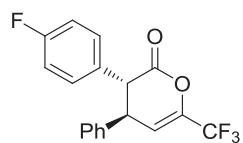
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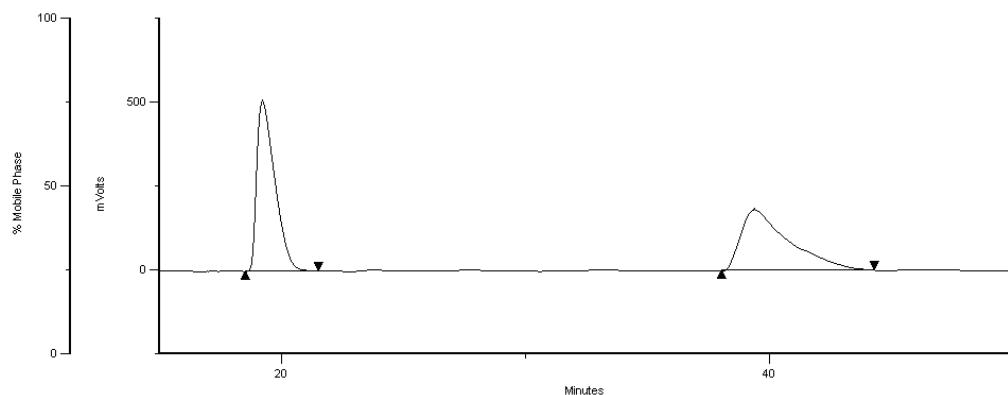
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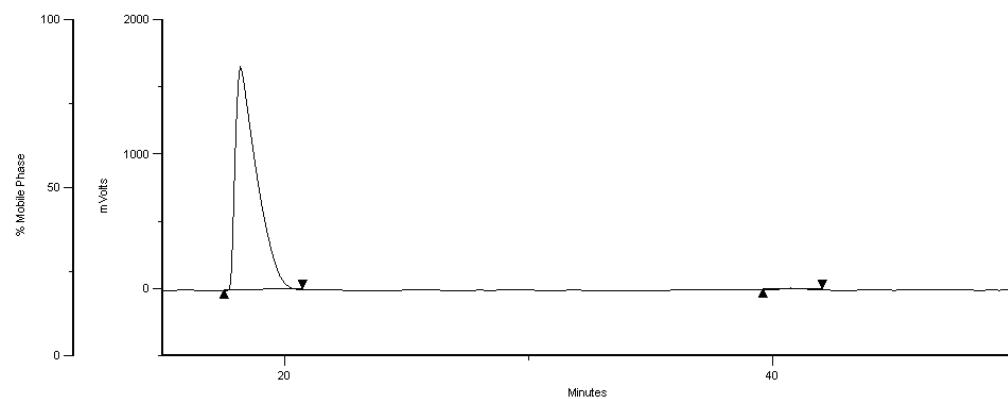
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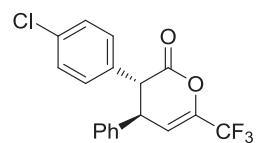
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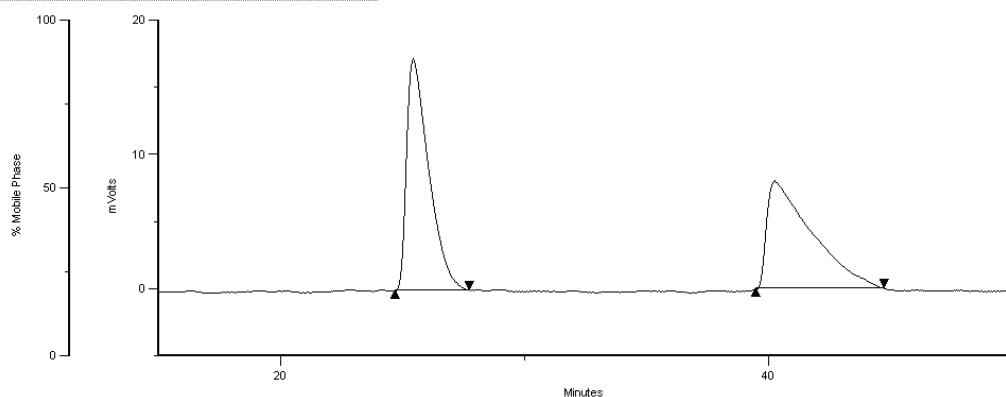
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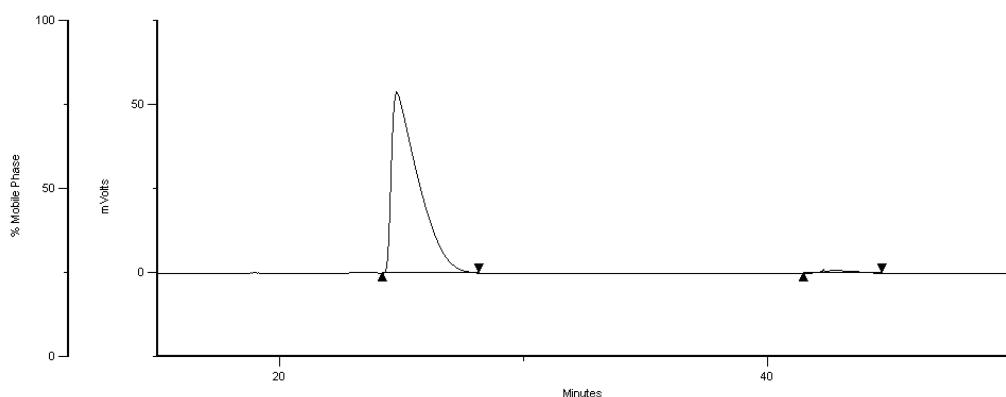
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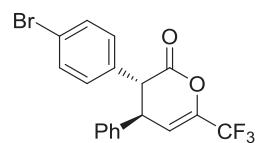
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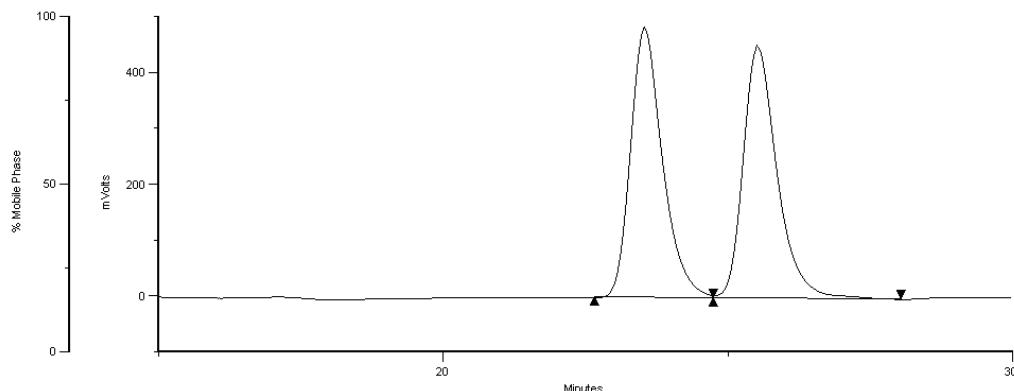
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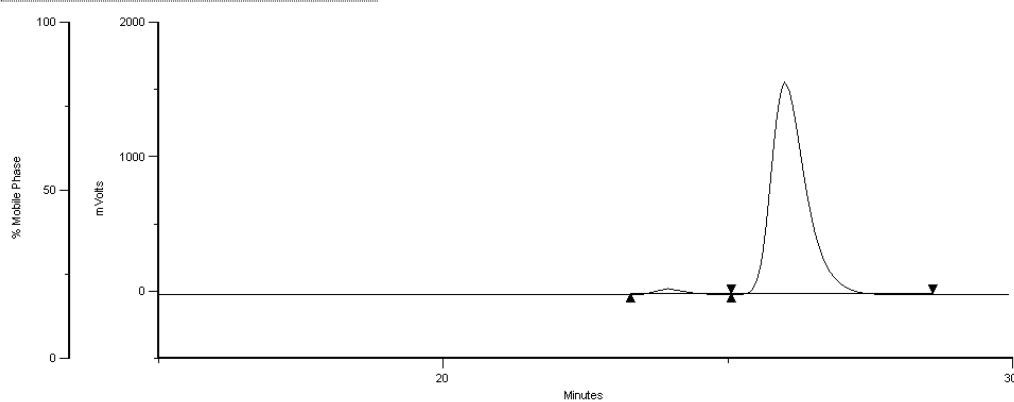
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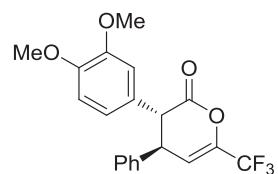
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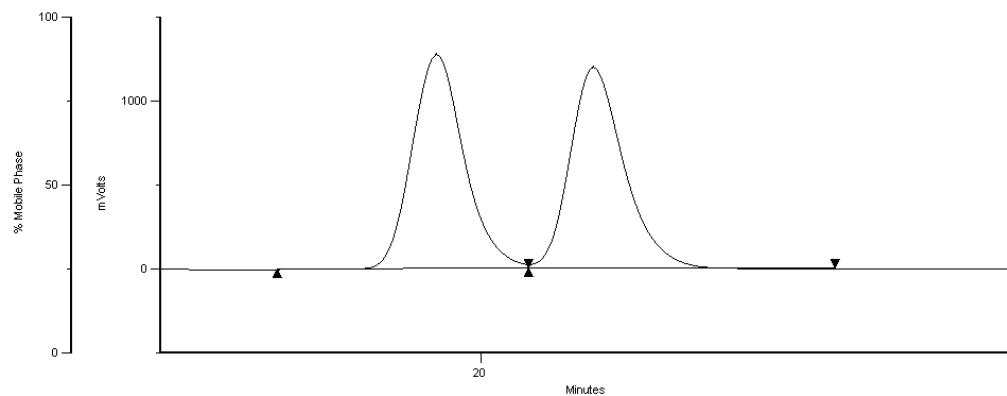
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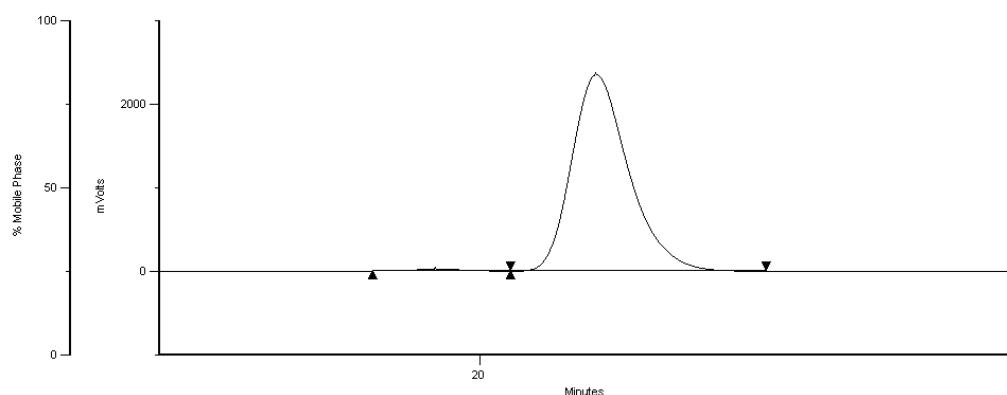
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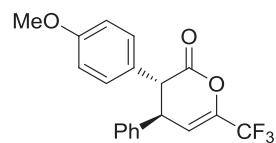
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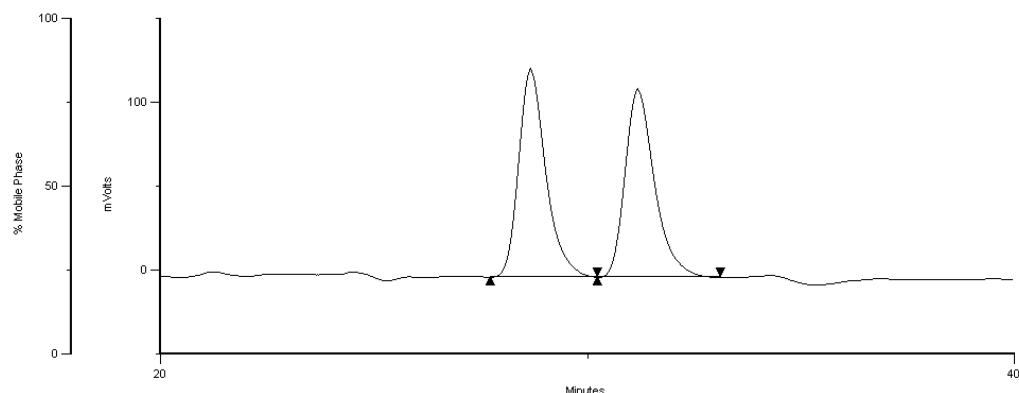
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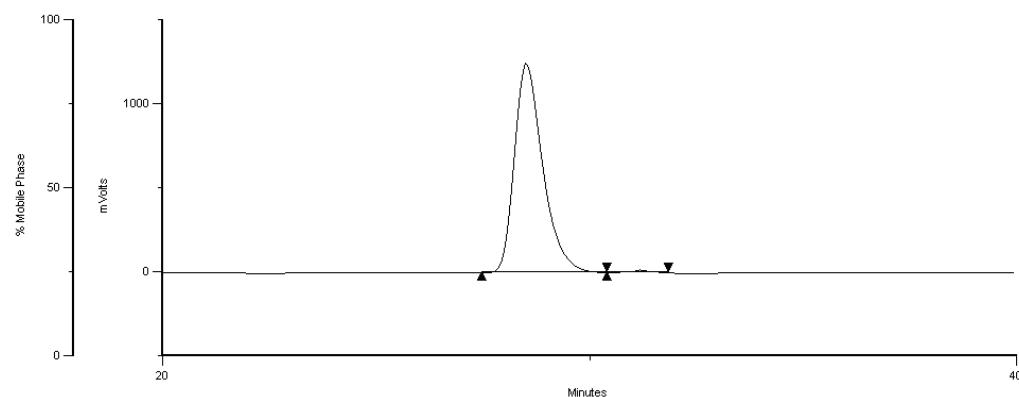
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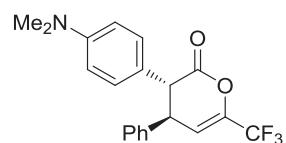
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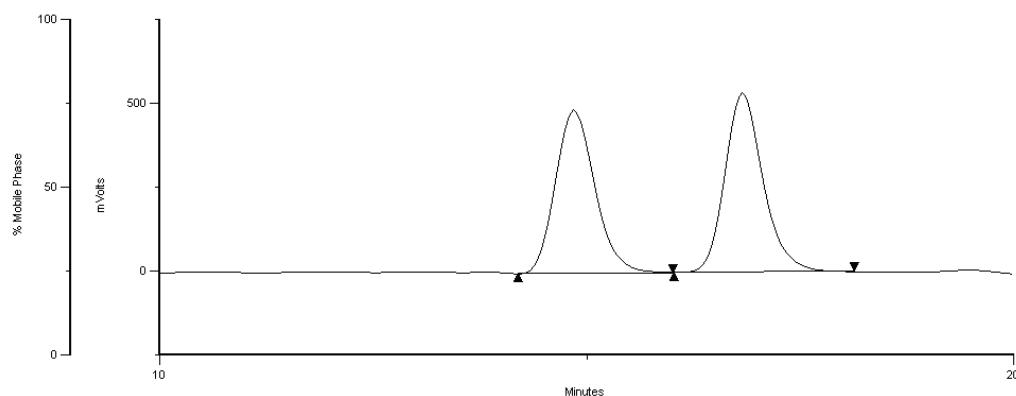
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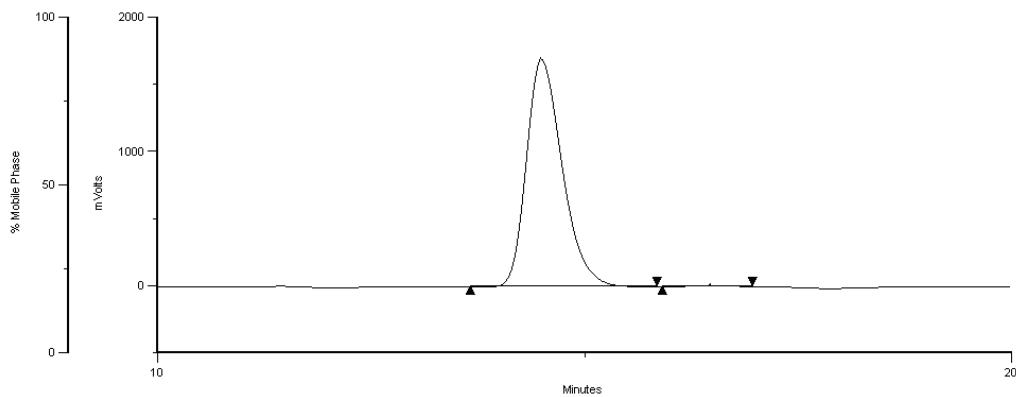
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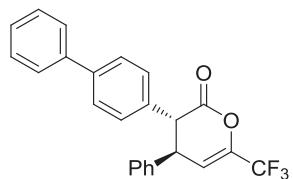
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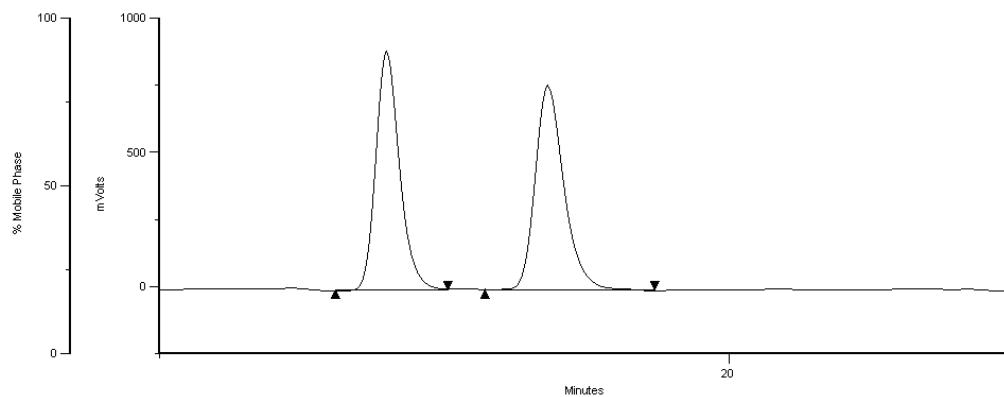
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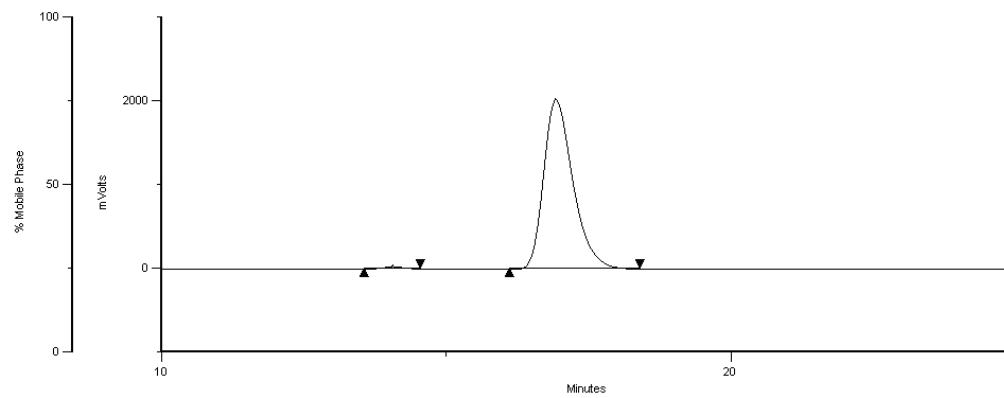
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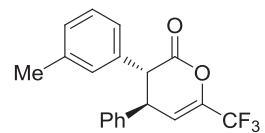
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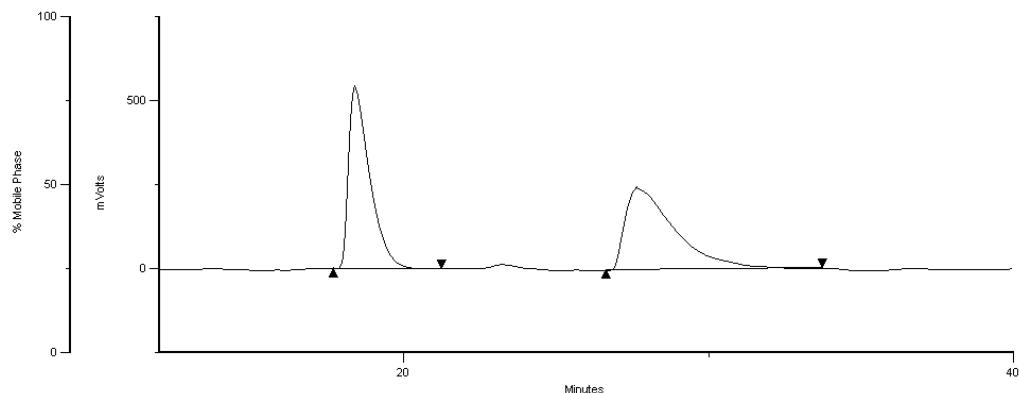
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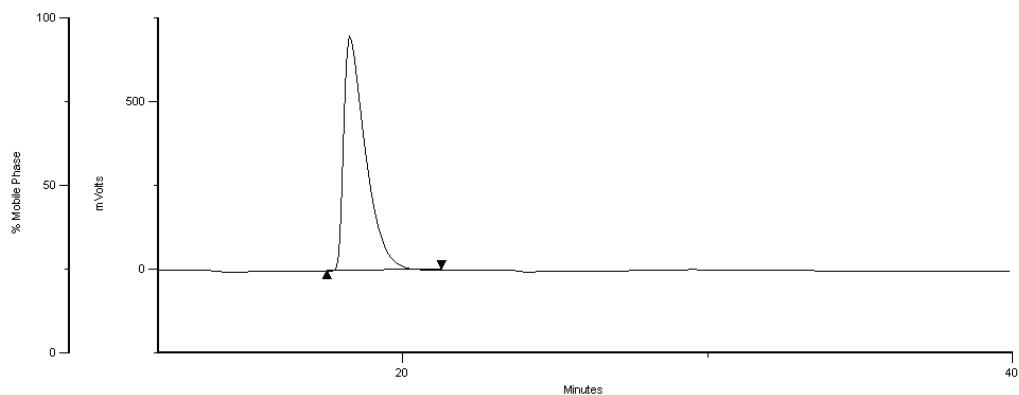
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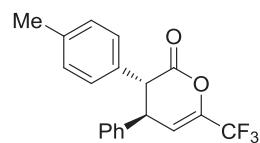
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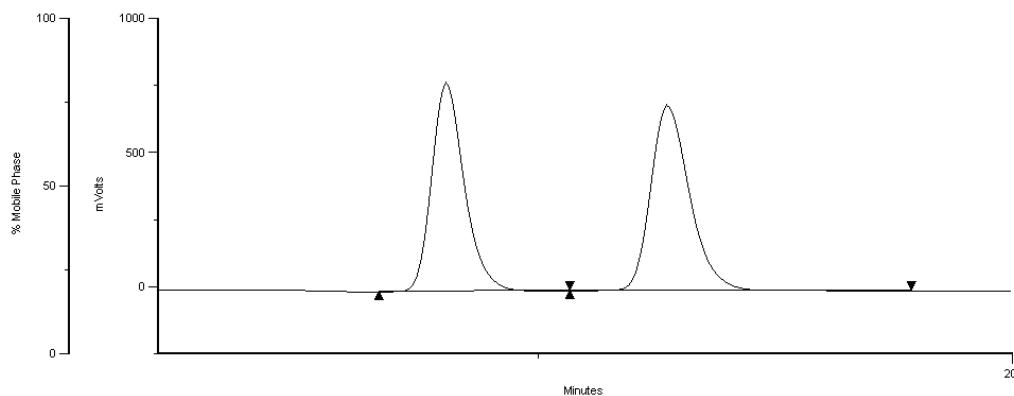
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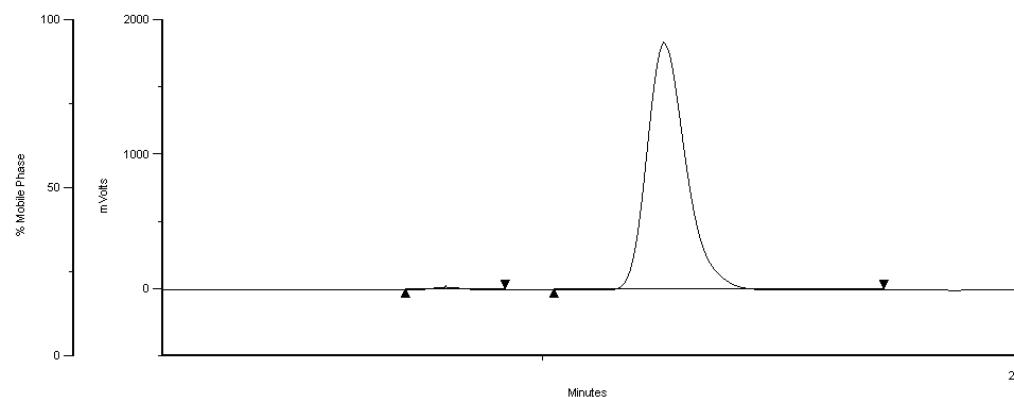
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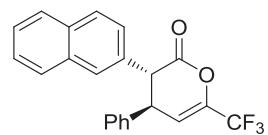
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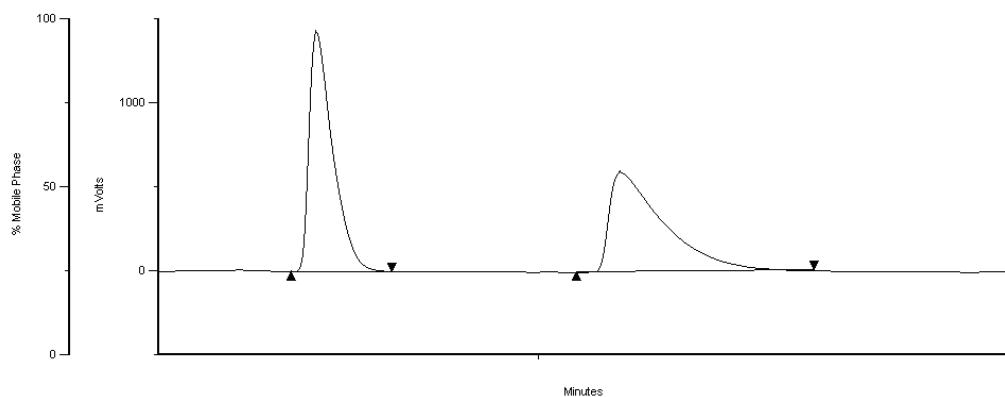
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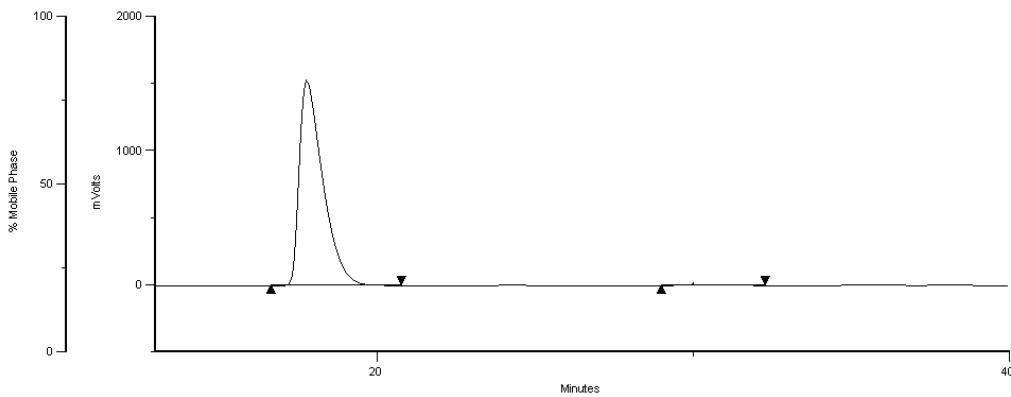
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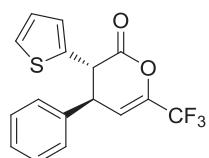
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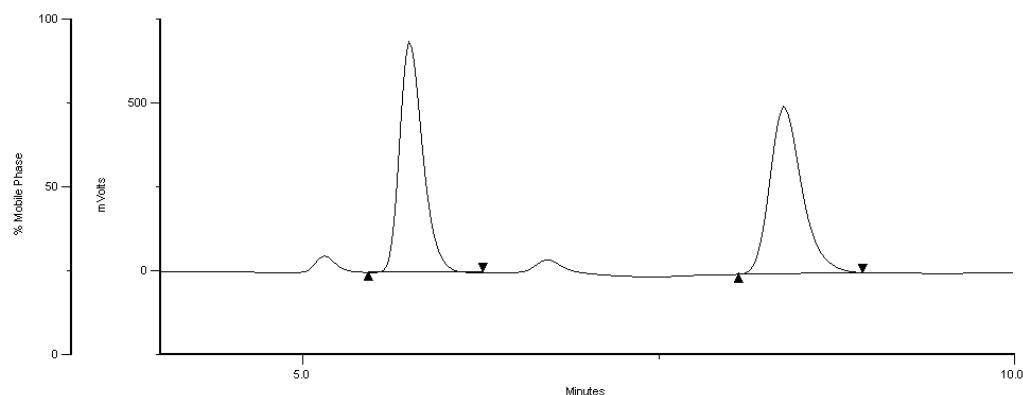
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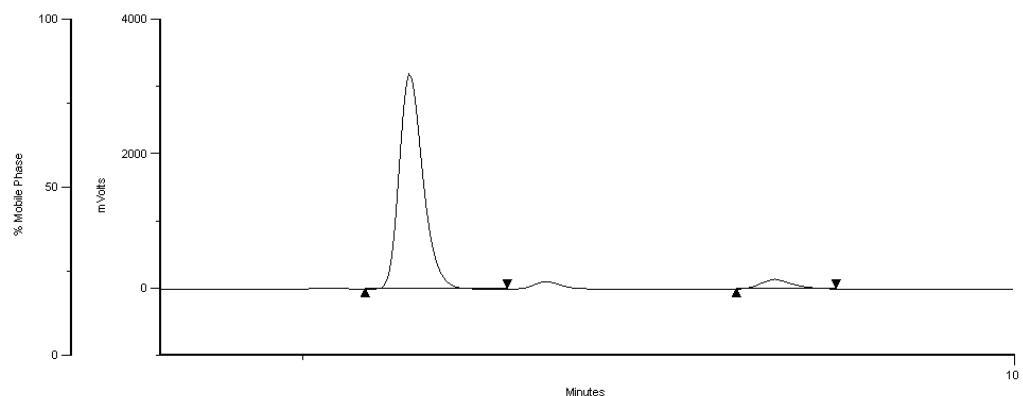
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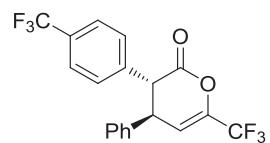
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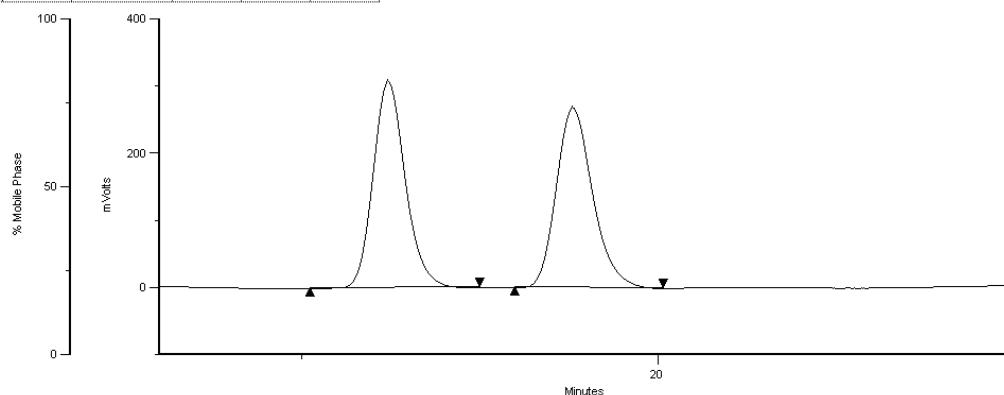
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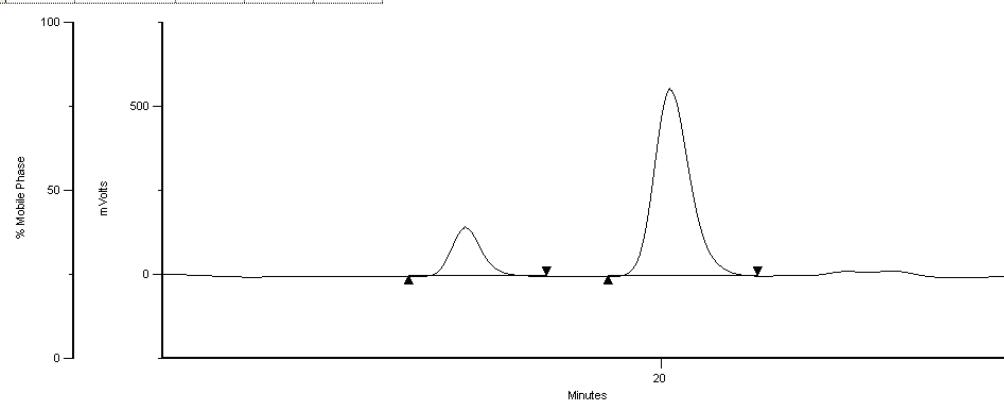
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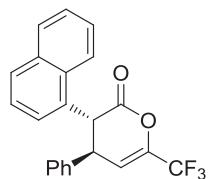
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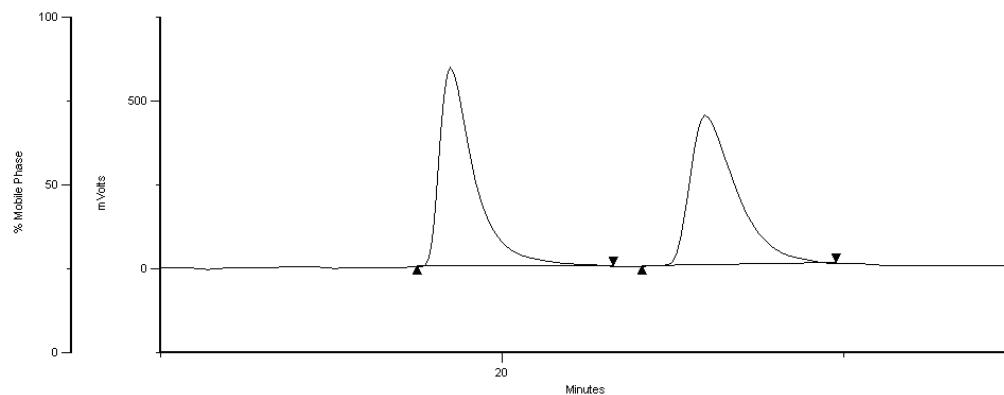
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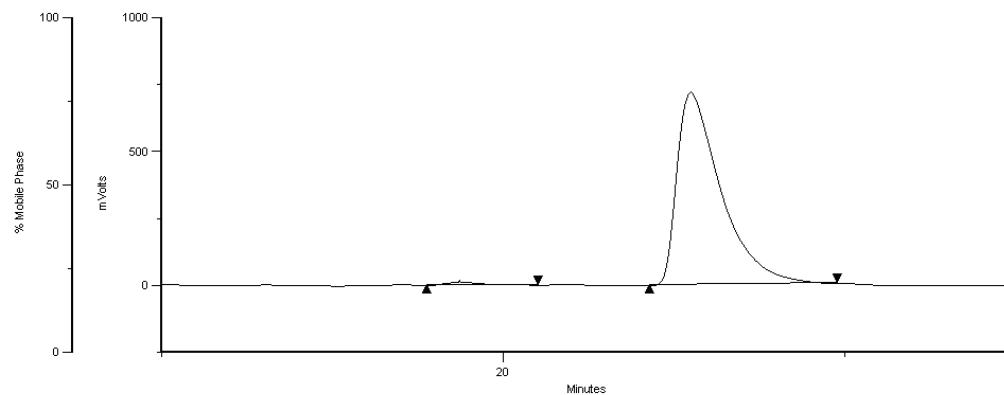
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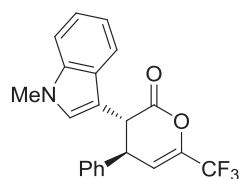
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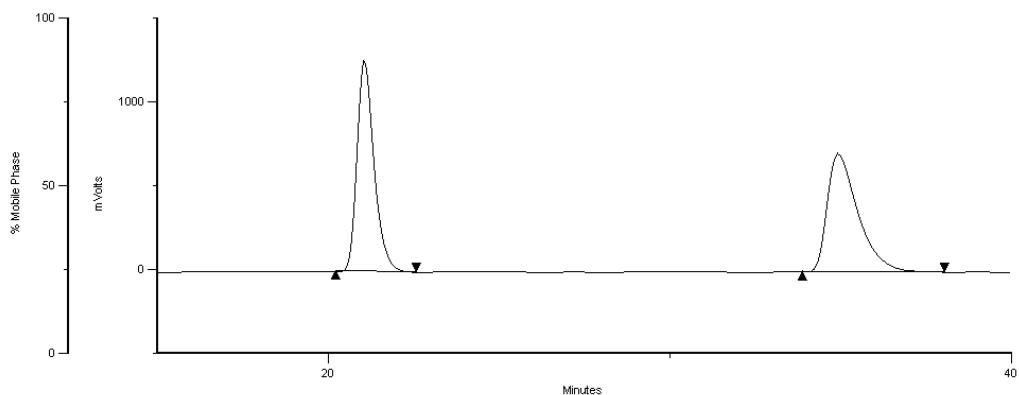
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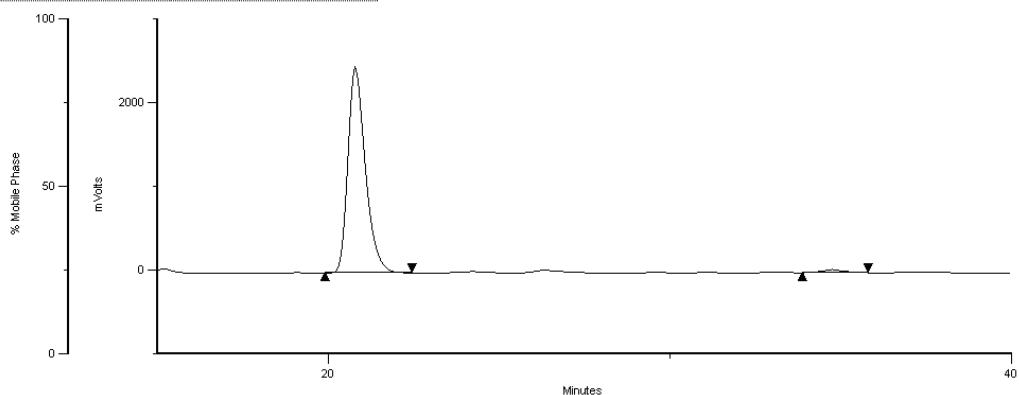
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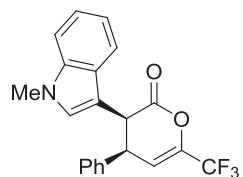
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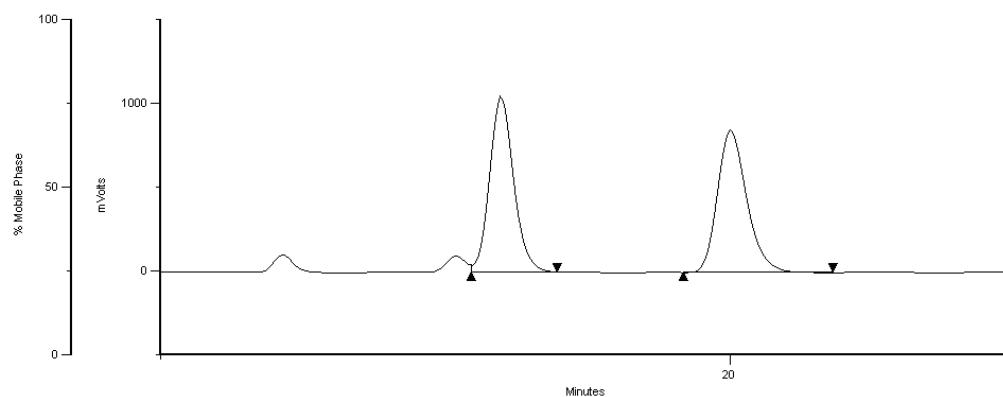
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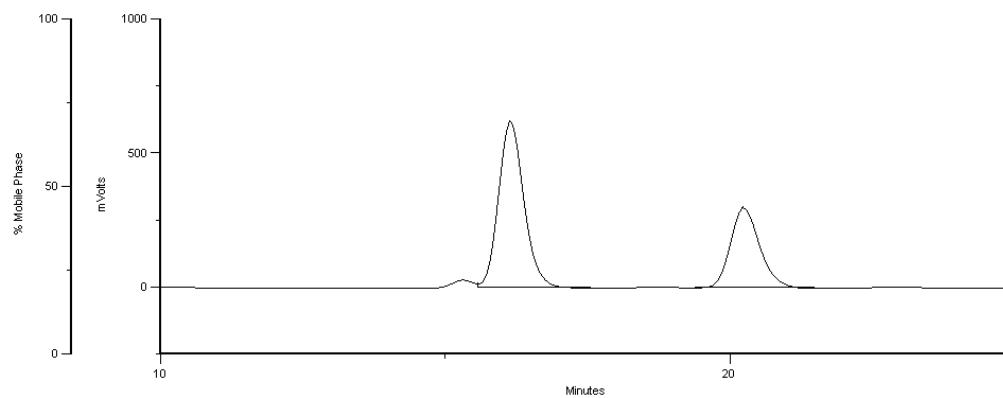
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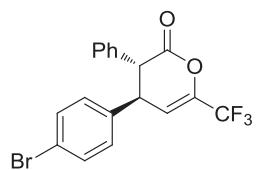
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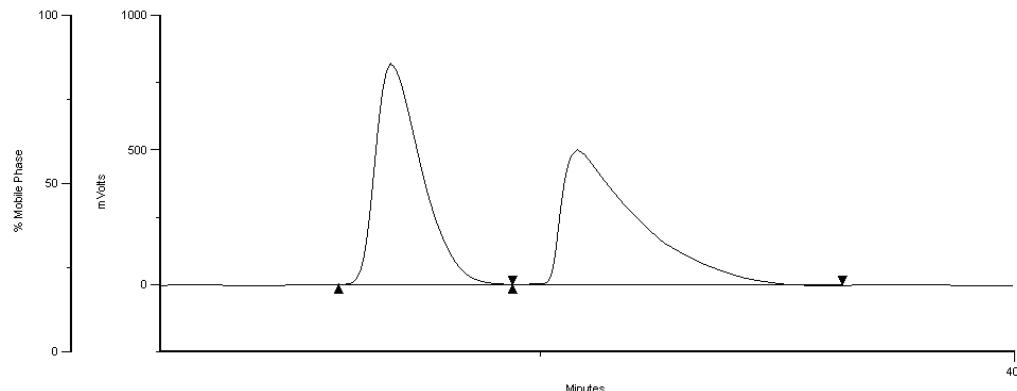
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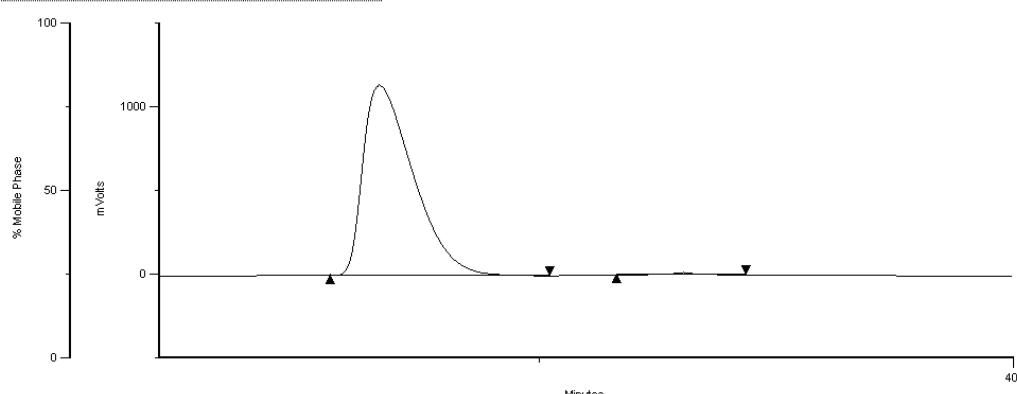
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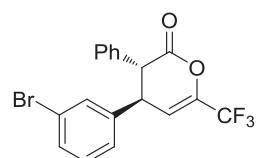
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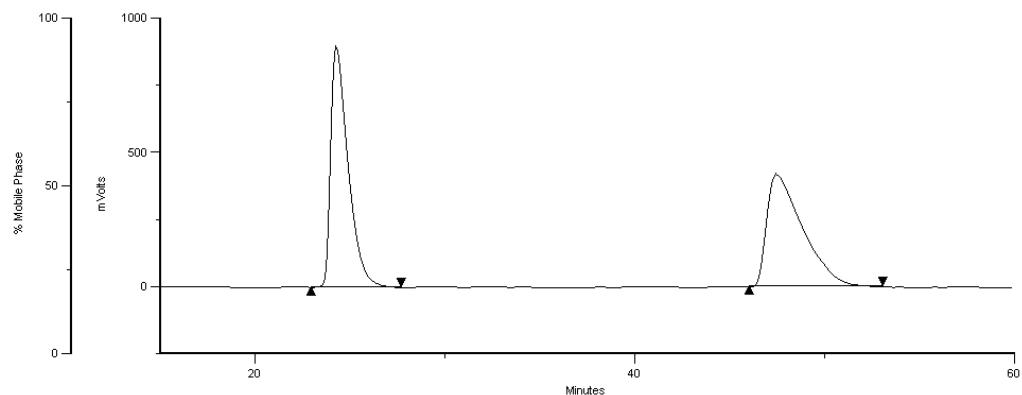
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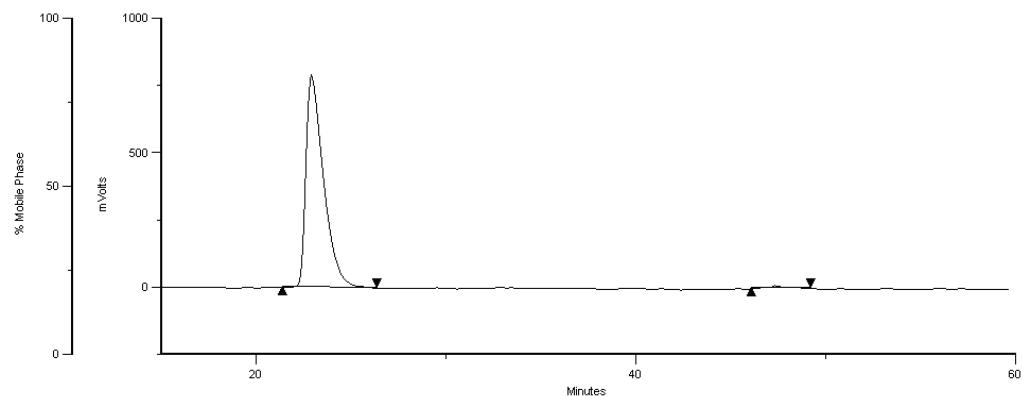
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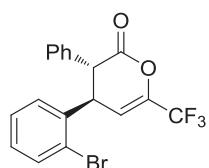
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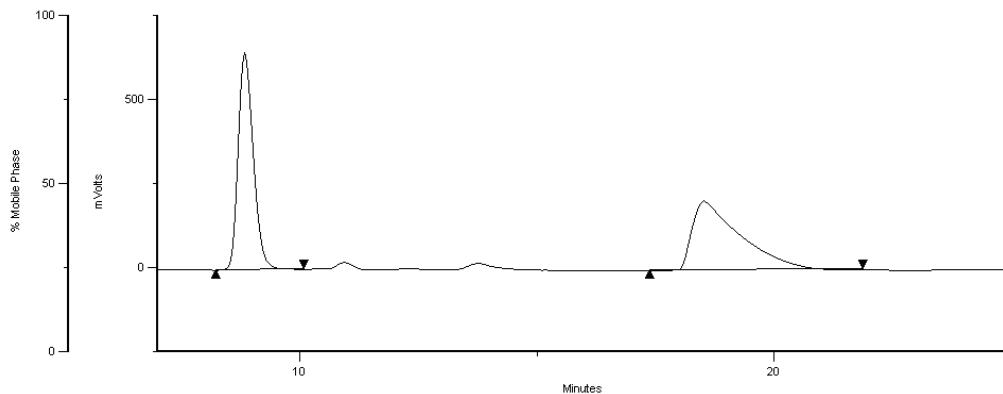
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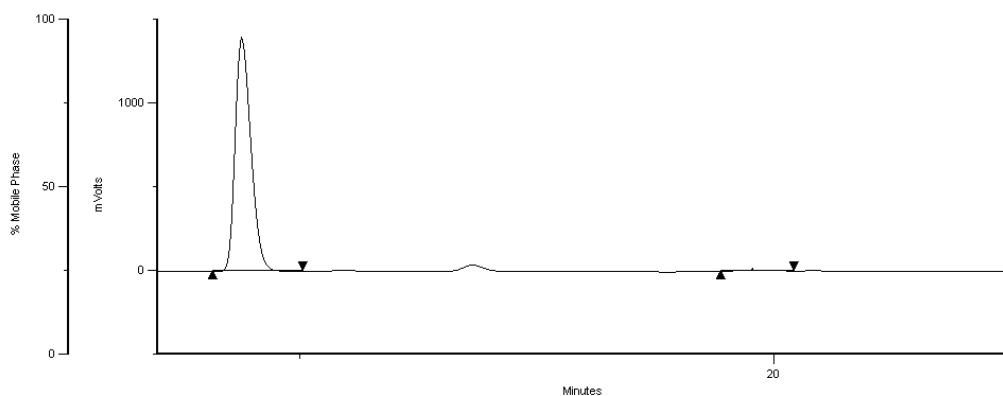
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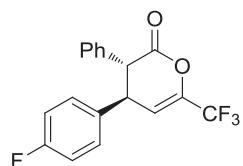
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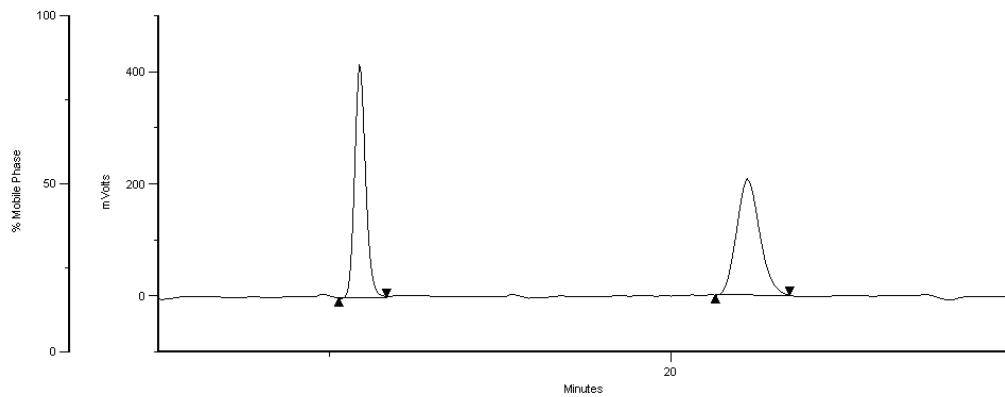
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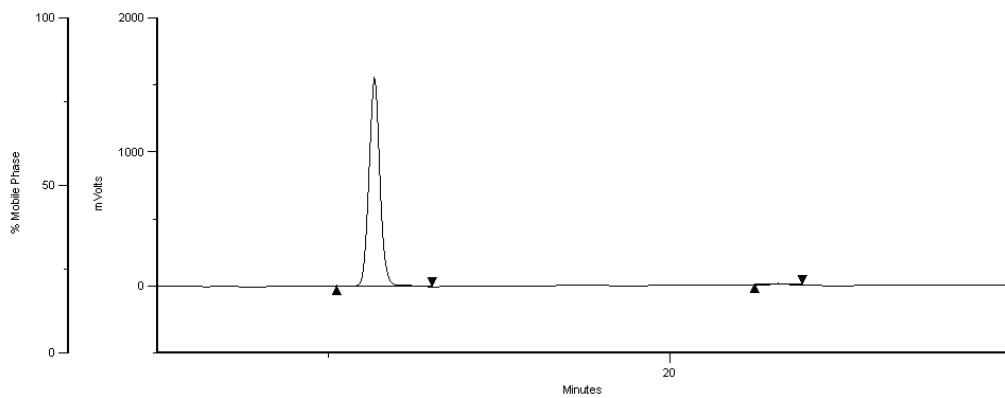
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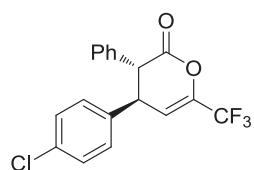
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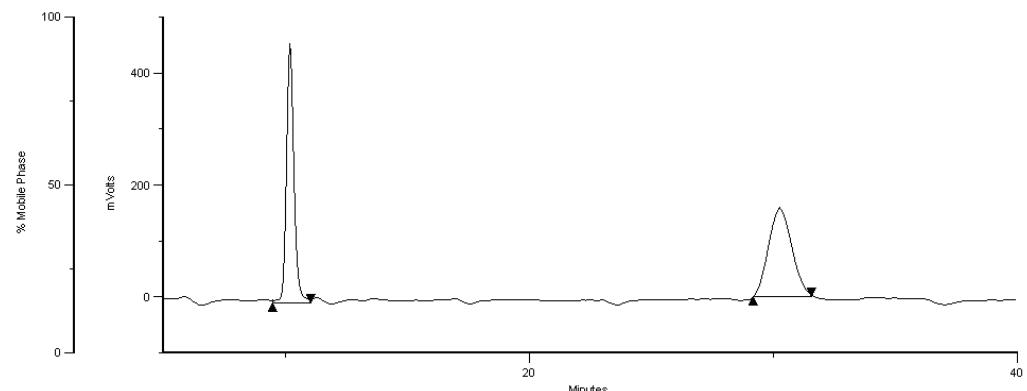
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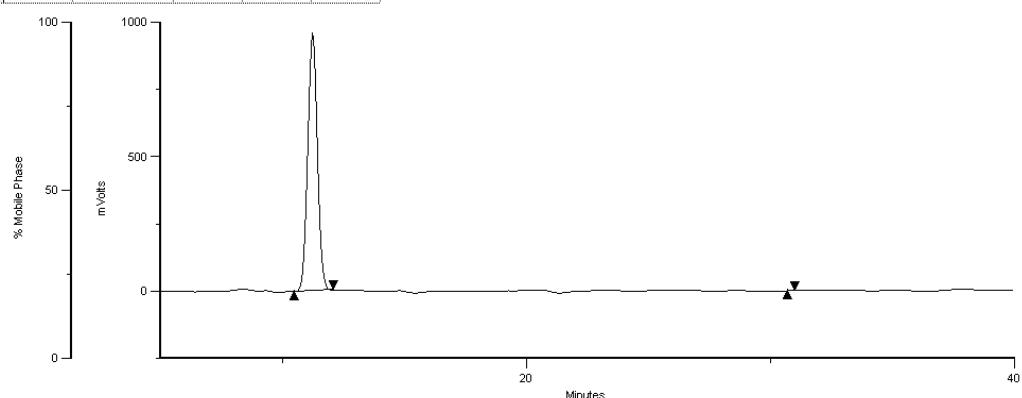
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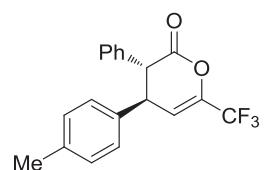
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2	1.00	*2	30.26	17978774.00	51.74



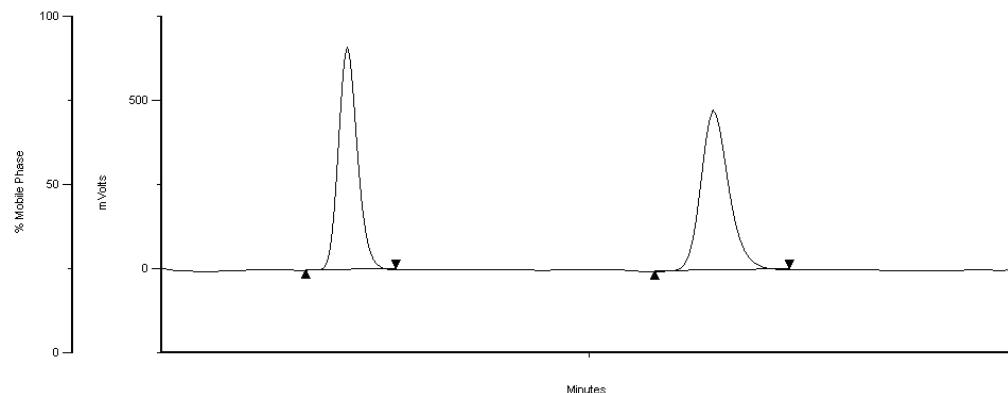
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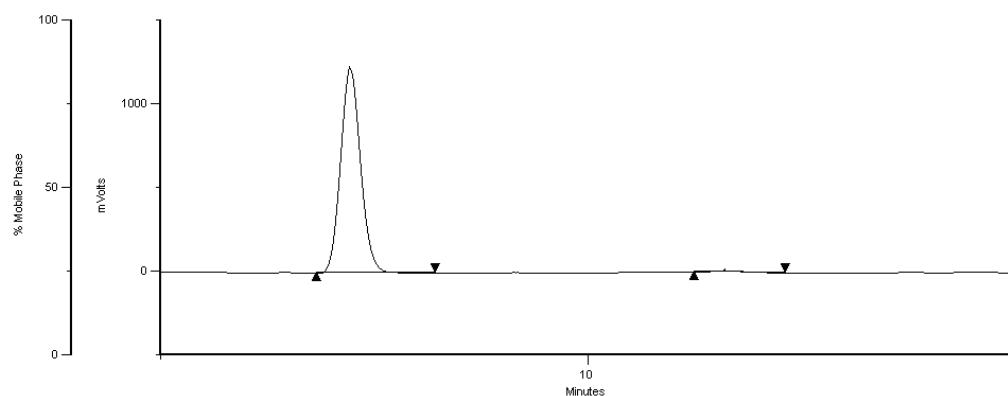
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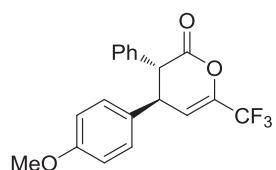
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2	*2	11.46	18245392.00	51.51



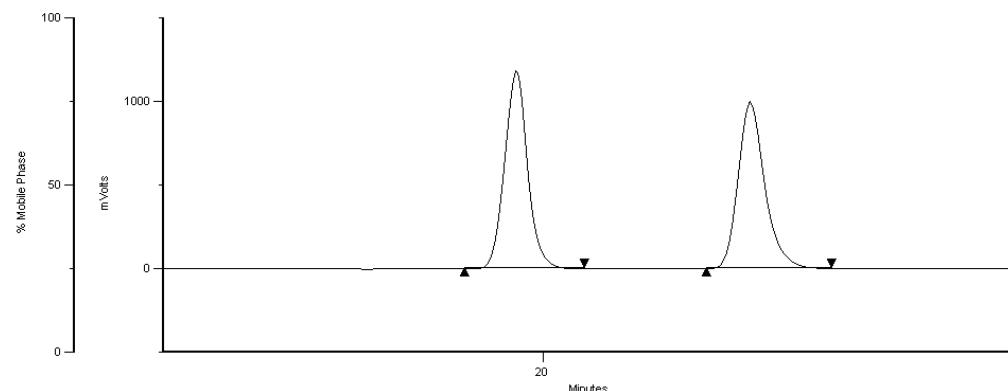
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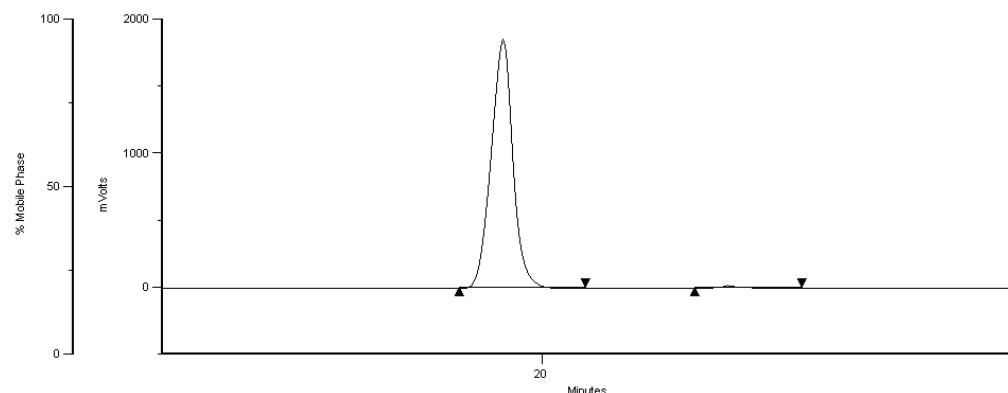
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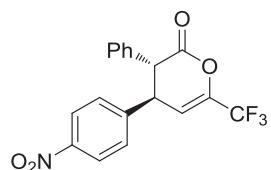
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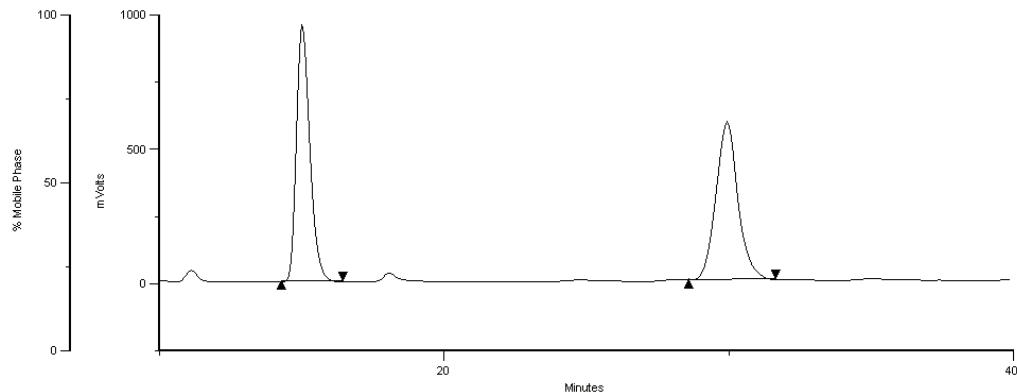
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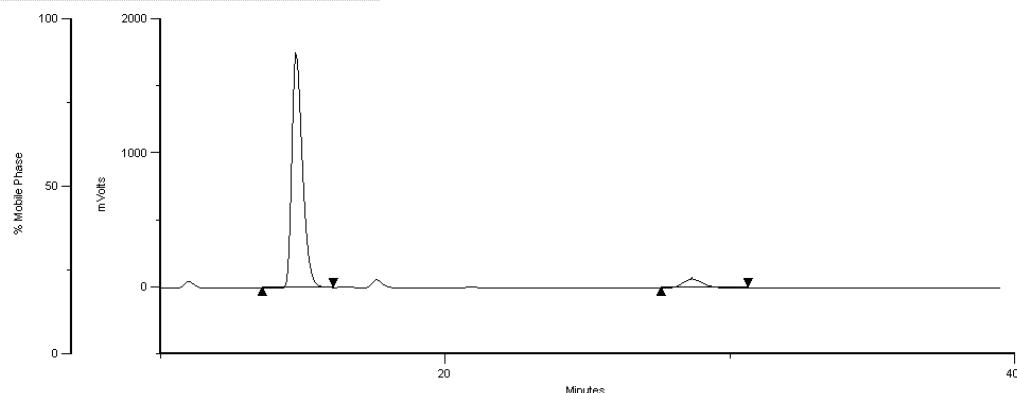
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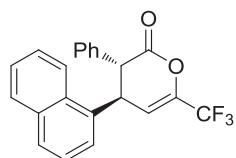
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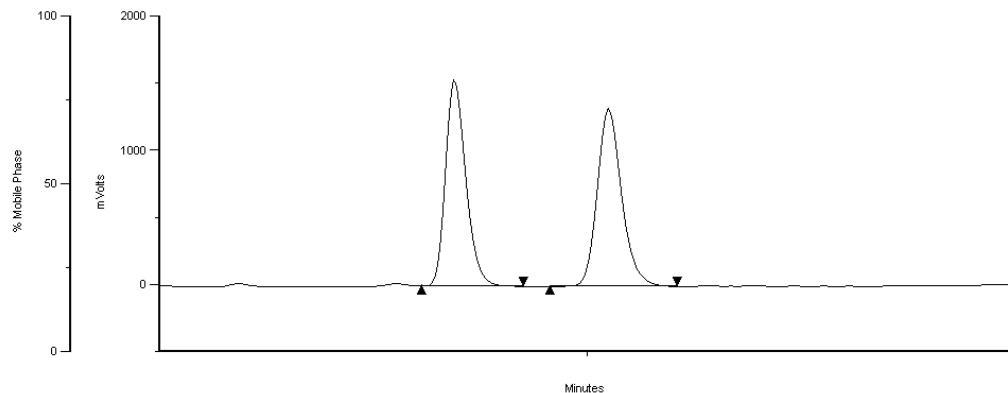
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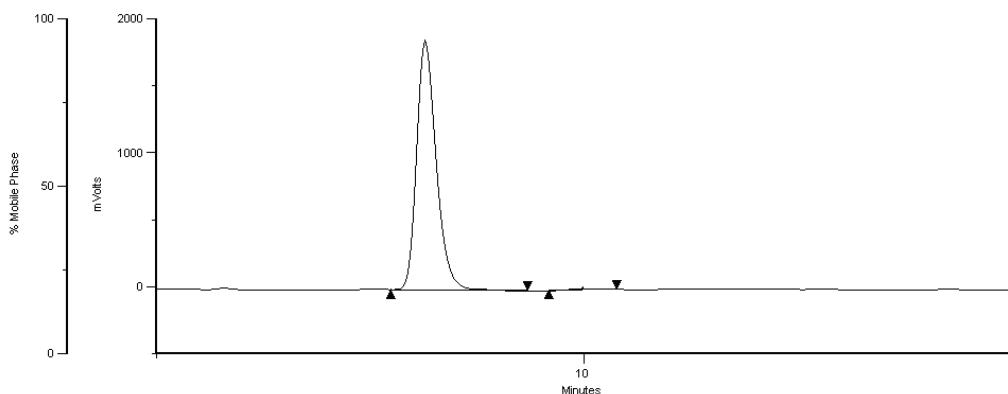
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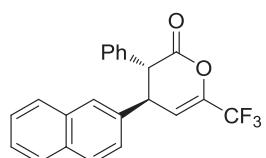
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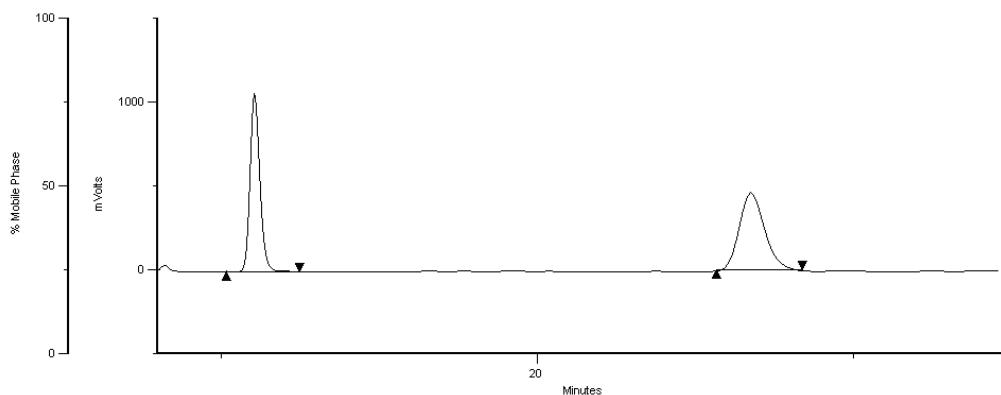
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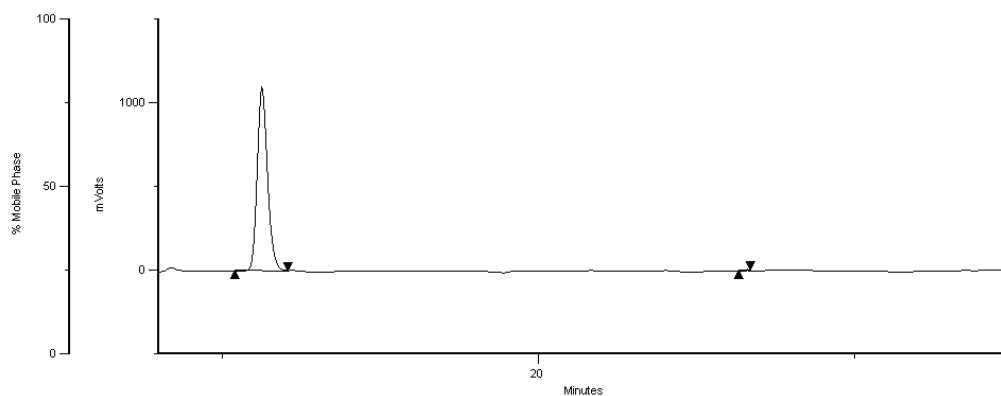
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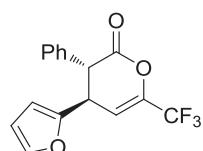
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2	*2	26.77	44185632.00	52.89



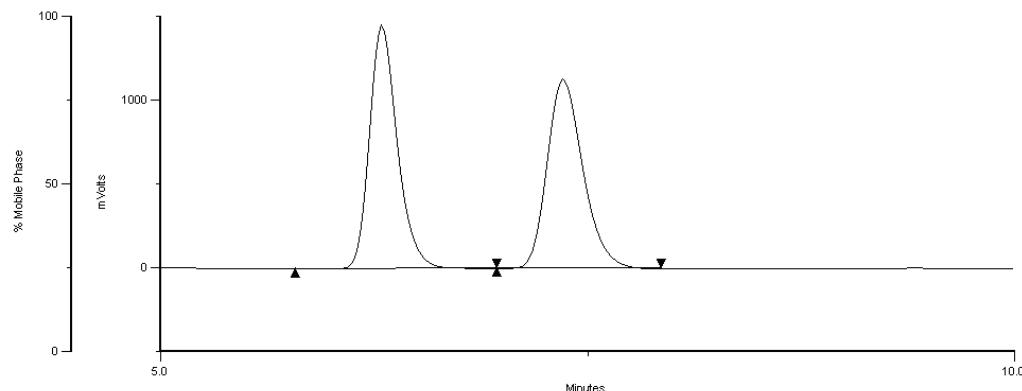
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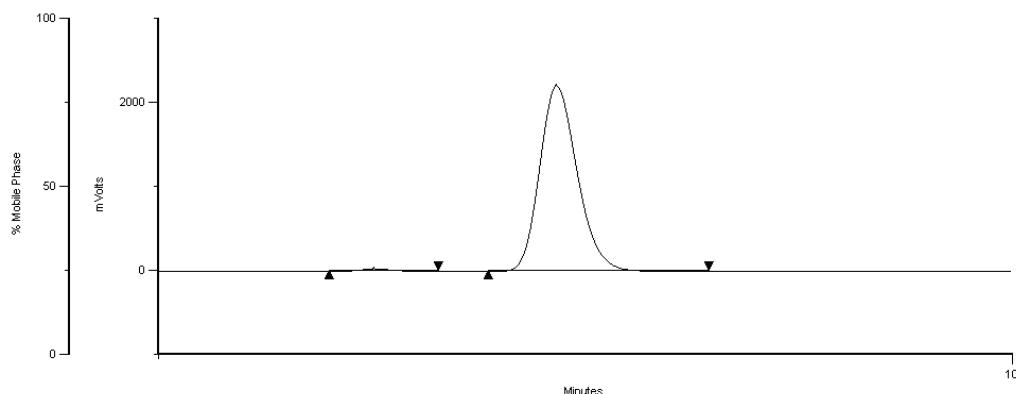
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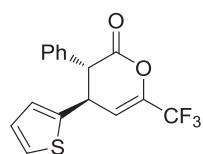
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	2	2	7.36	27726804.00	49.86



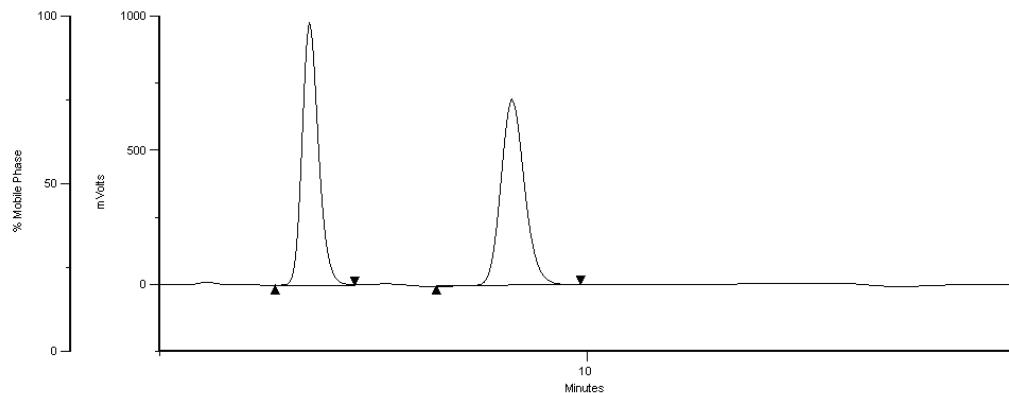
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	2	*2	7.33	36686908.00	98.85



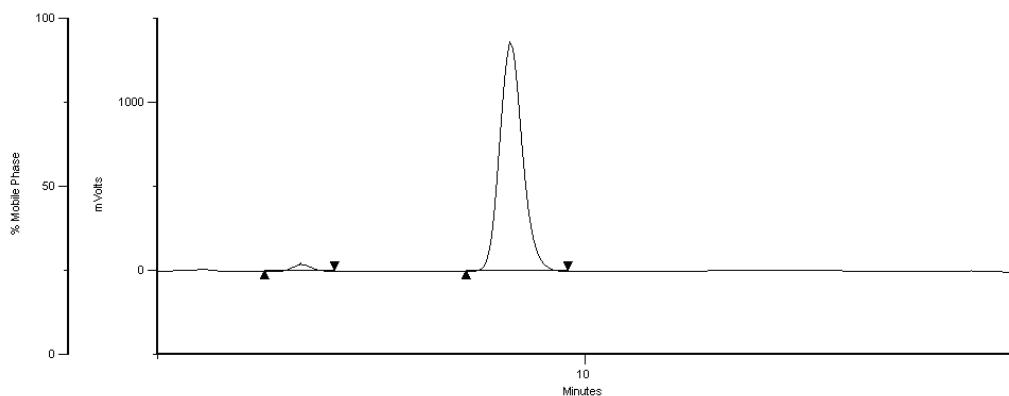
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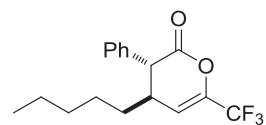
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	2	*2	9.13	22735388.00	50.38



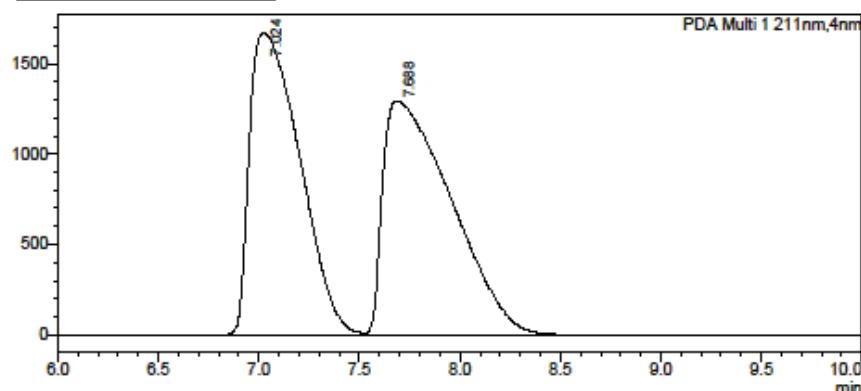
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	2	*2	9.13	42223548.00	97.54



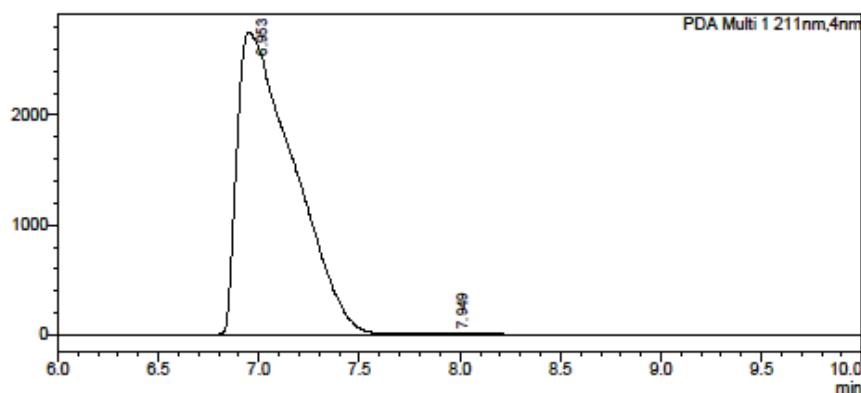
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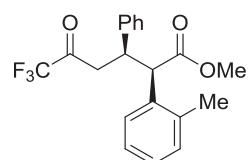
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2	7.688	51.303
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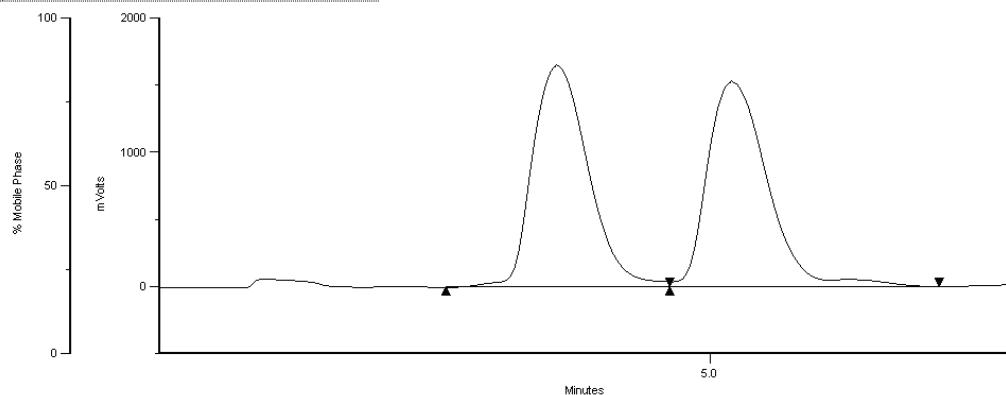
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Peak#	Ret. Time	Area%
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Total		100.000



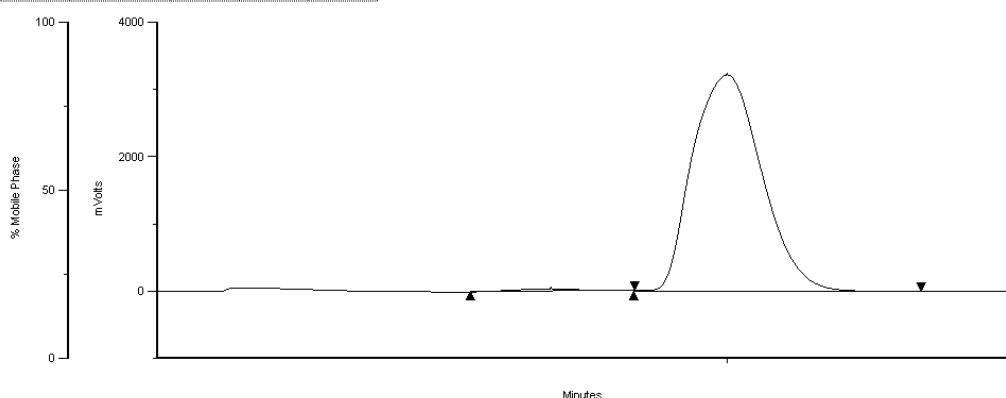
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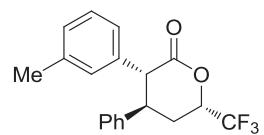
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2	2	5.08	39248932.00	50.09



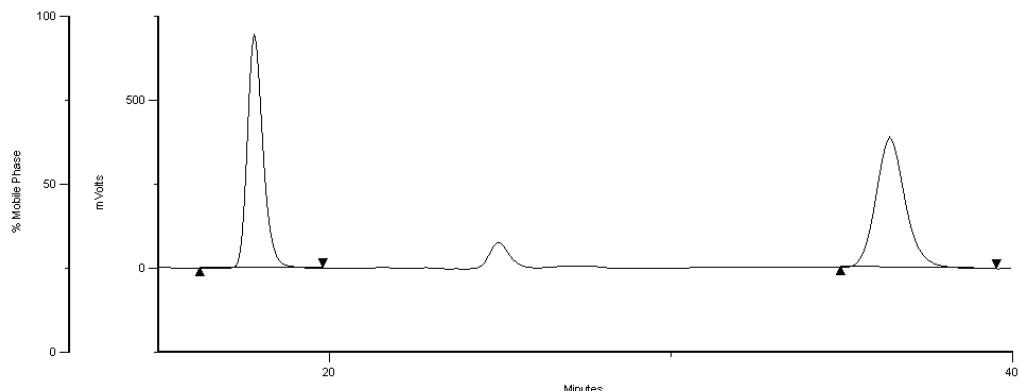
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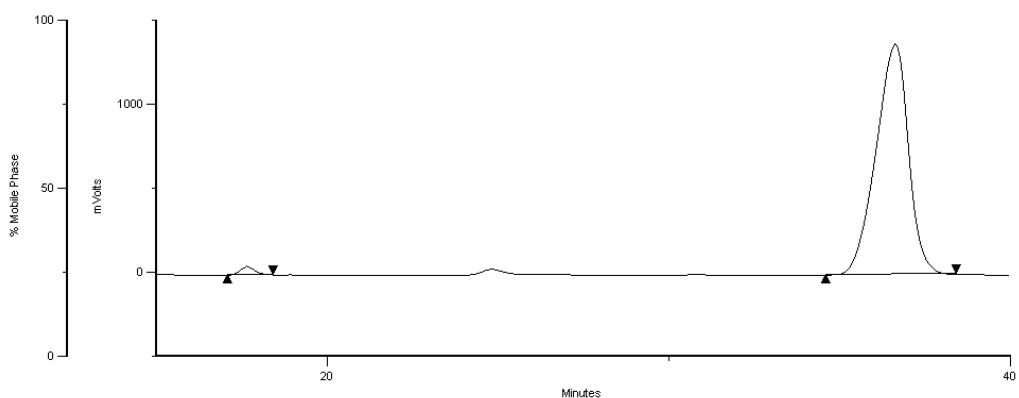
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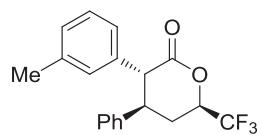
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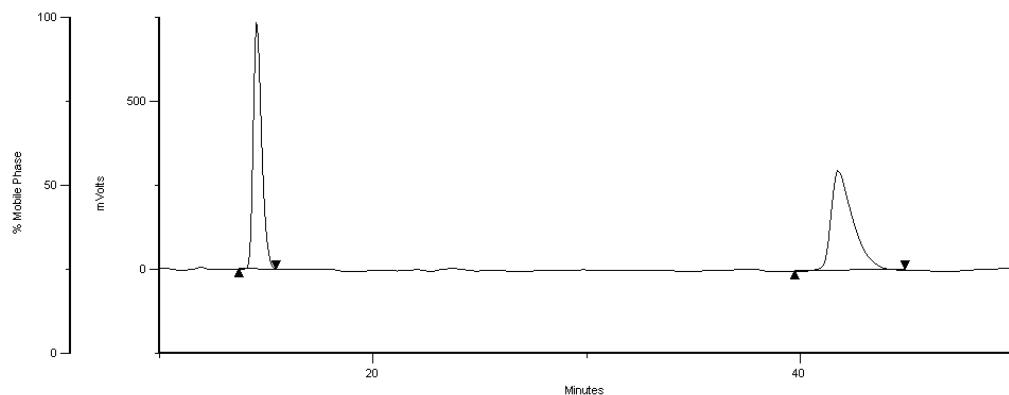
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2	*2	36.64	51535952.00	98.33



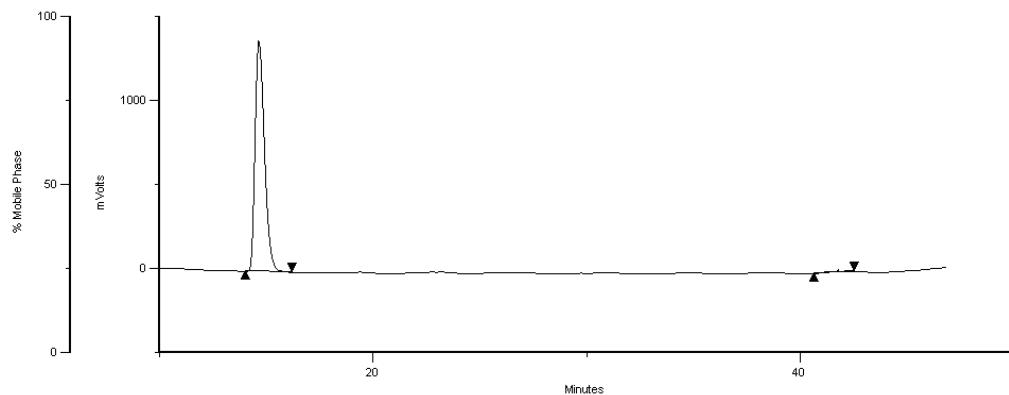
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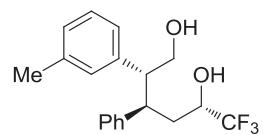
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	1.00	*2	41.80	36010920.00	51.52



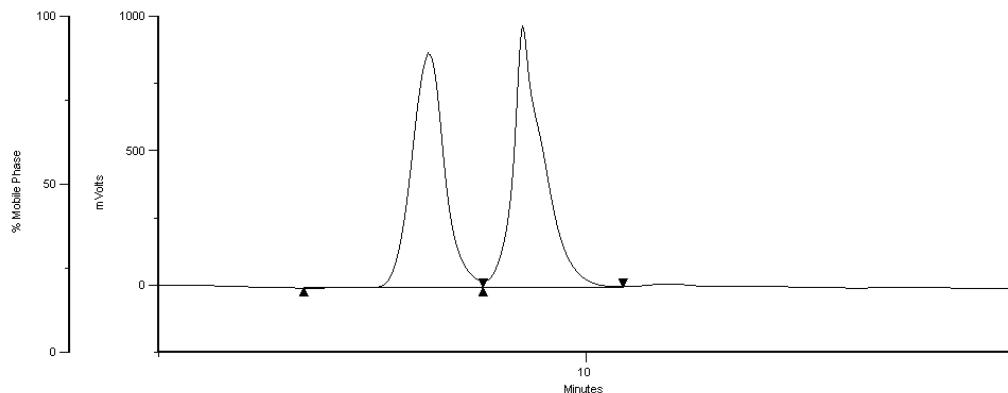
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	1.00	*2	41.72	693353.06	0.98



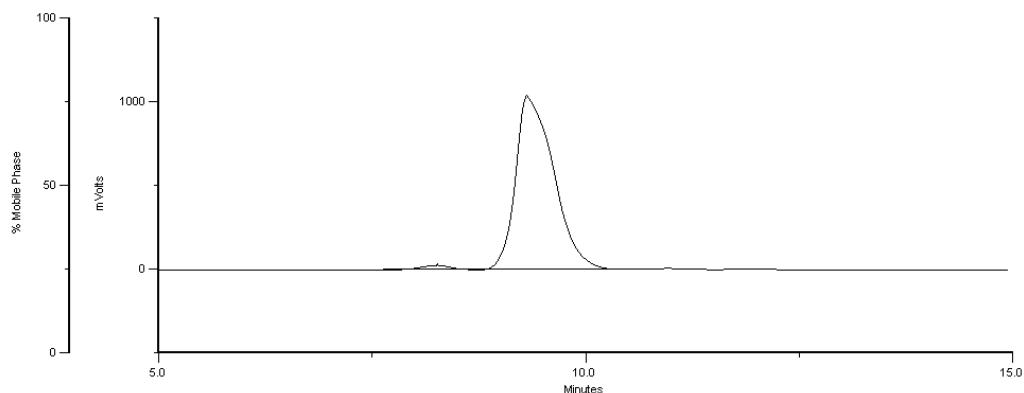
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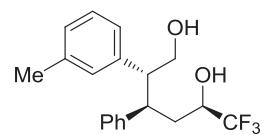
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2	2	9.27	40185584.00	50.55



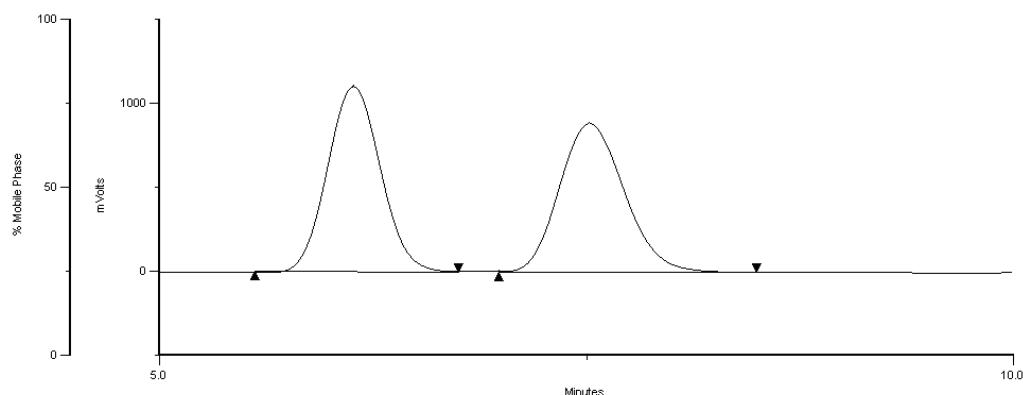
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2	2	9.32	34255616.00	97.77



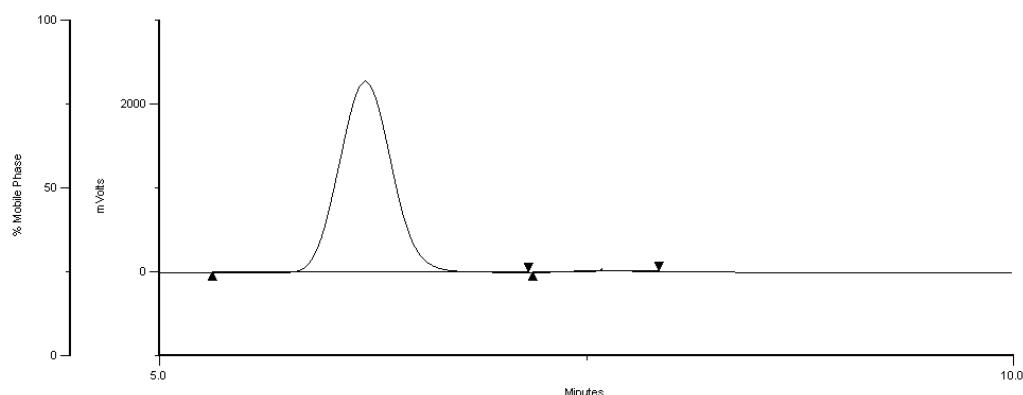
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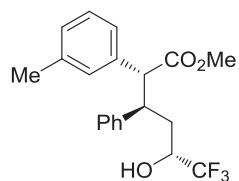
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2	1.00	*2	7.52	39571776.00	49.56



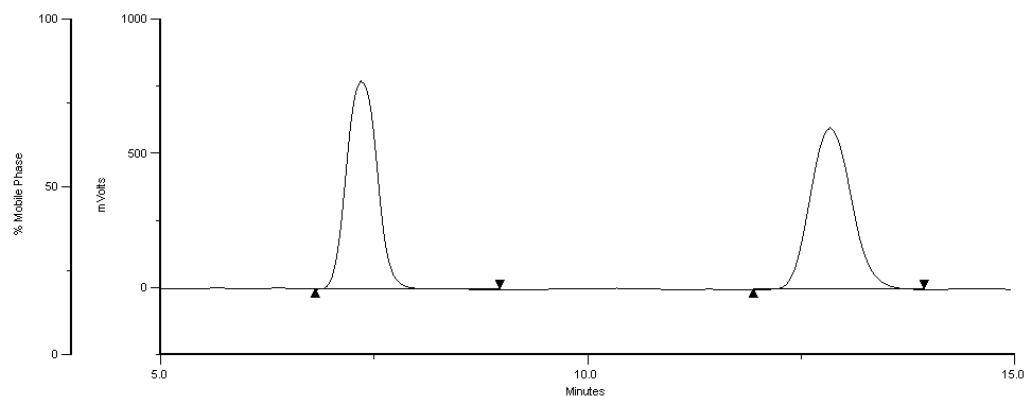
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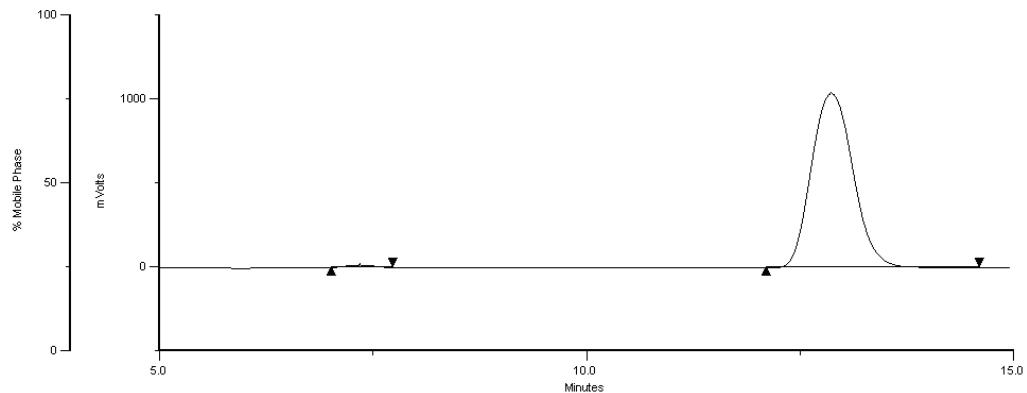
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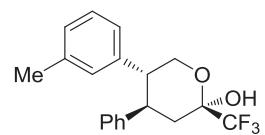
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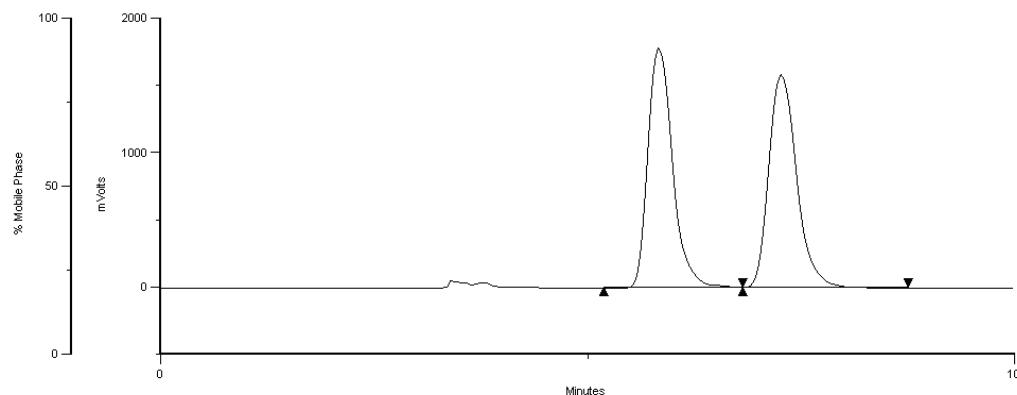
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2	1.00	*2	12.87	58706160.00	99.05



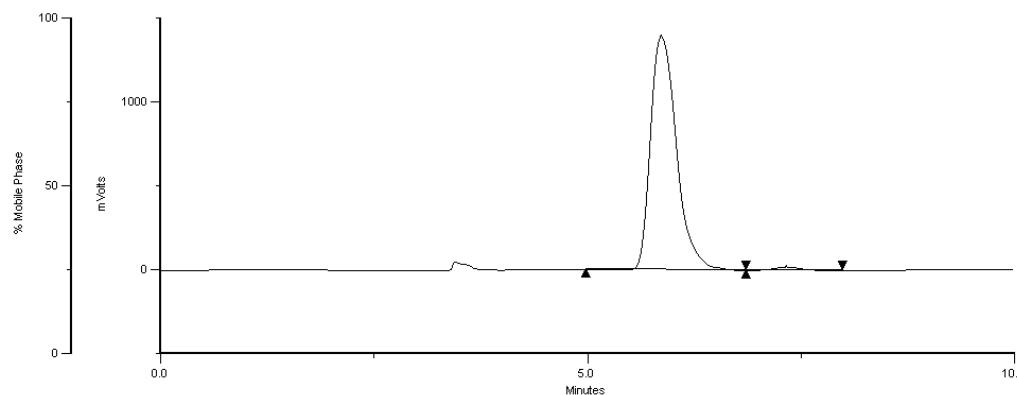
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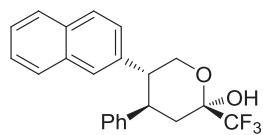
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2	2	7.27	30826064.00	50.11



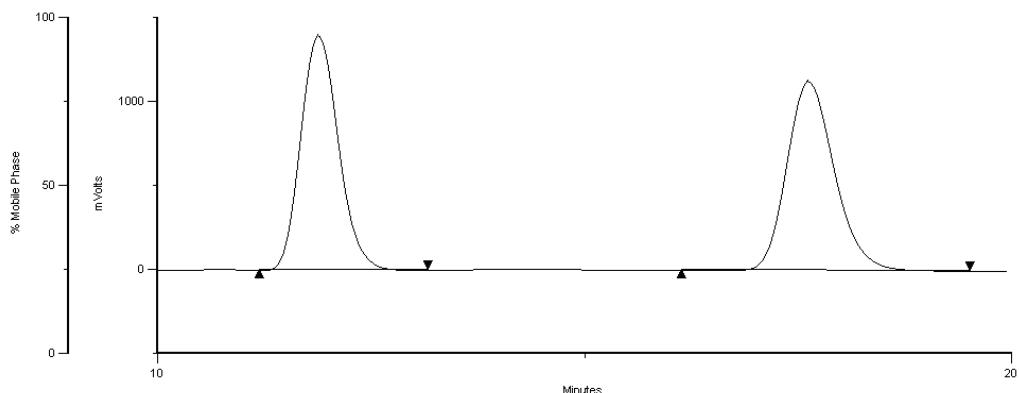
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2	2	7.34	713207.75	1.43



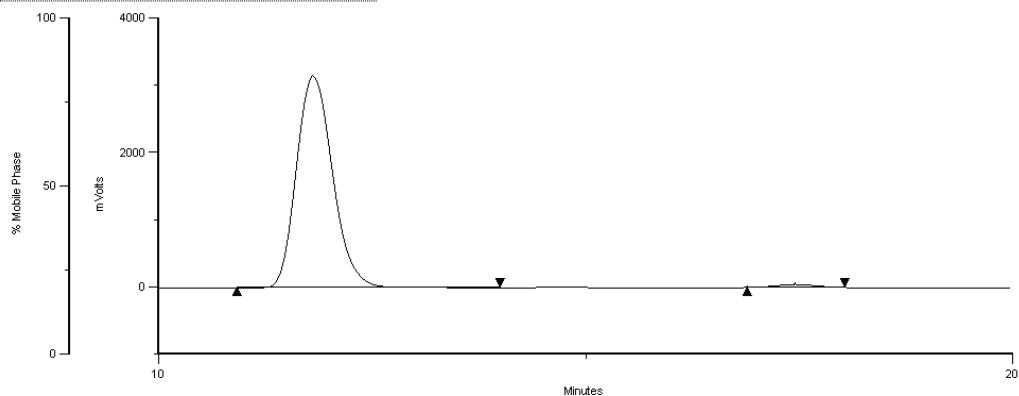
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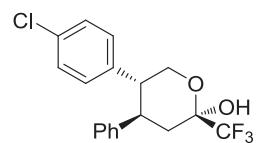
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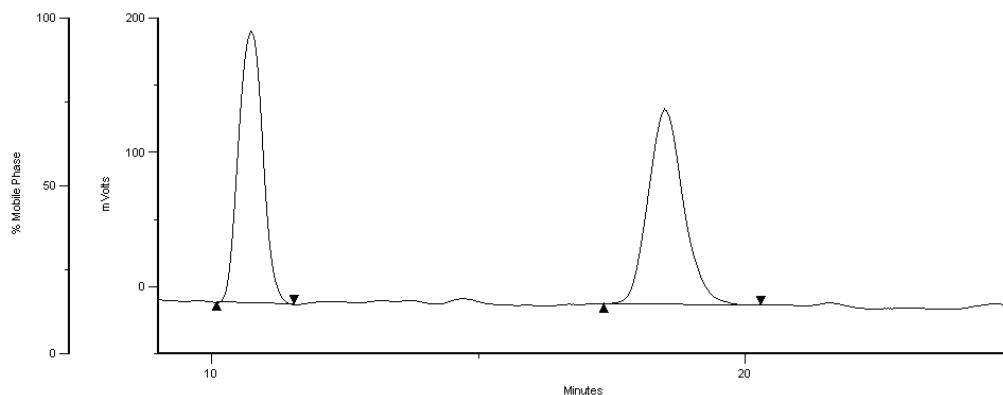
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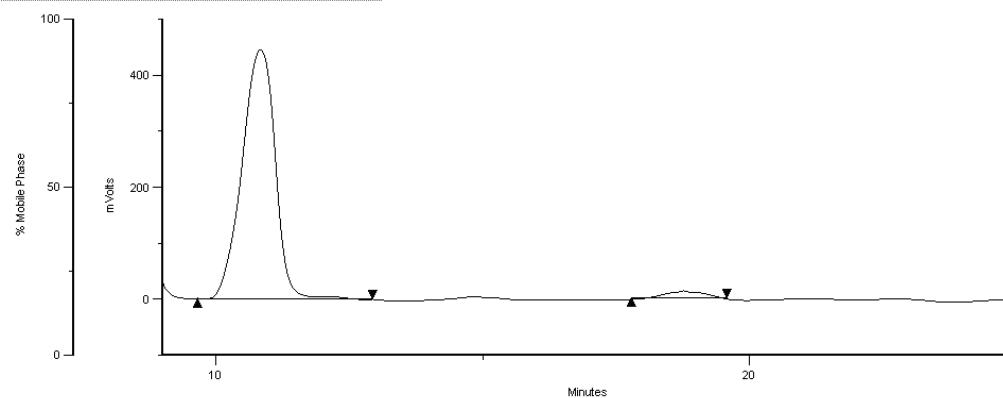
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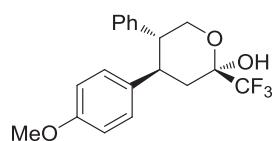
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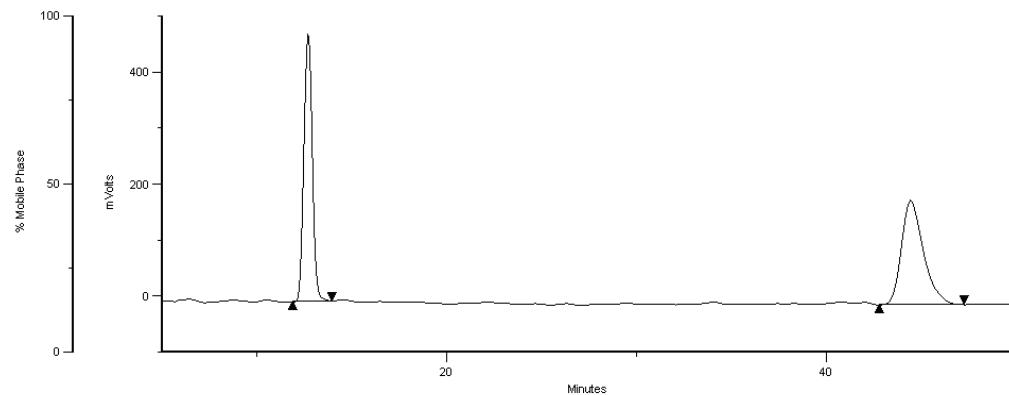
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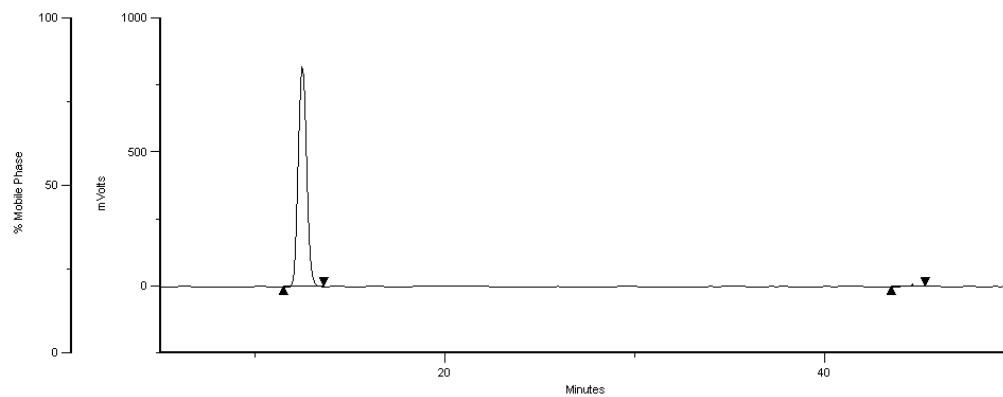
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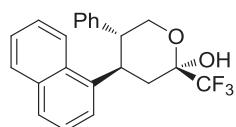
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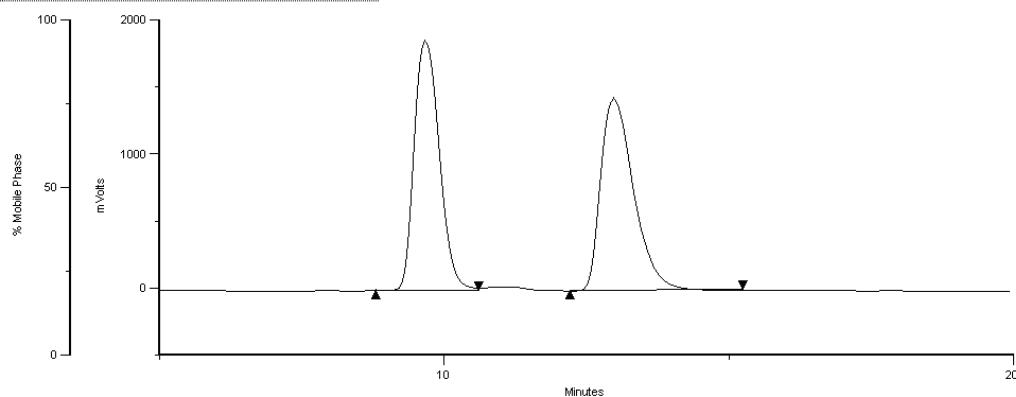
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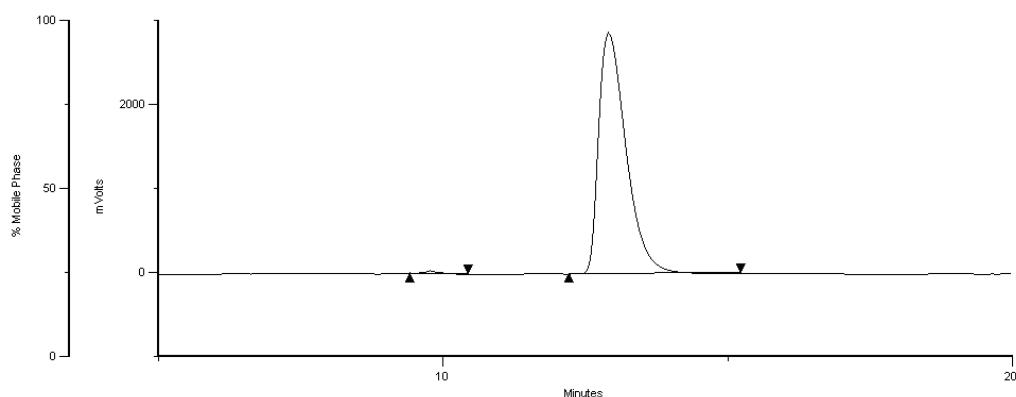
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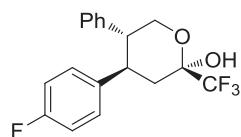
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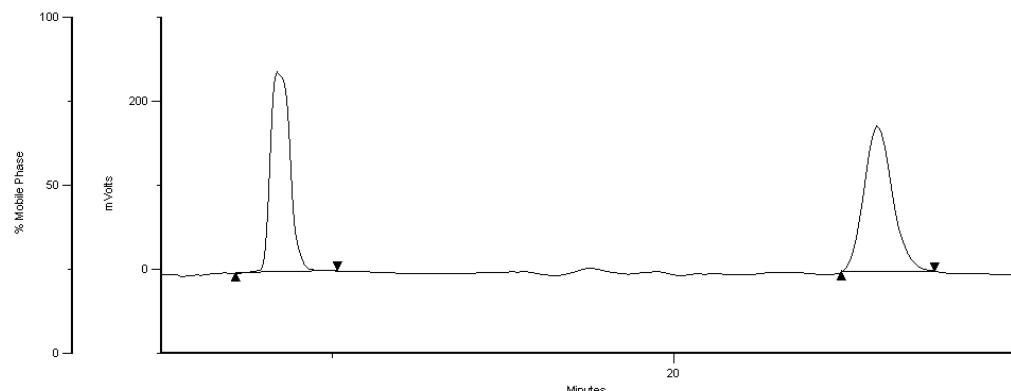
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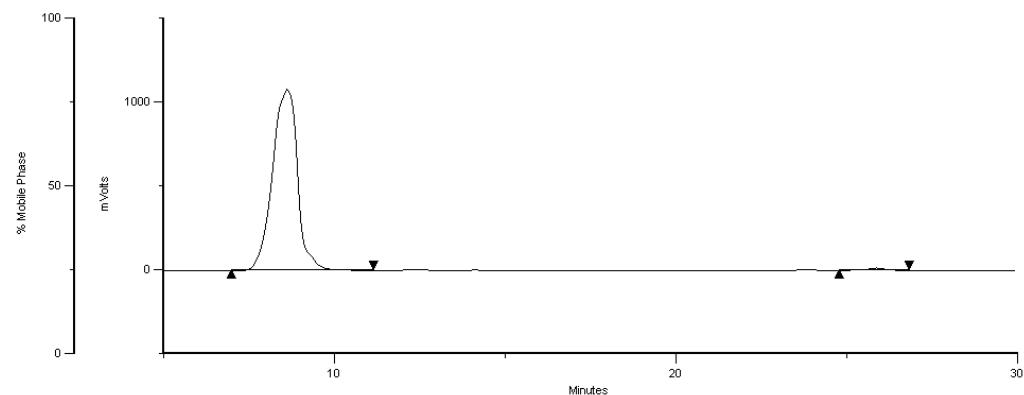
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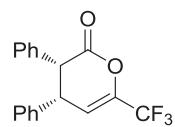
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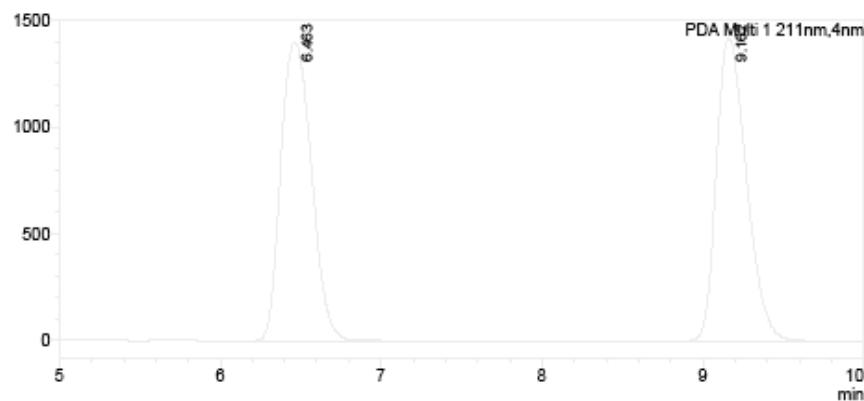
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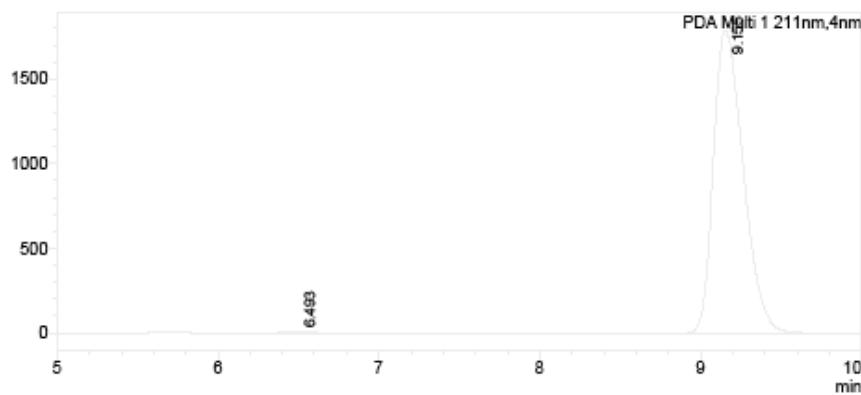
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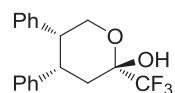
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Peak#	Ret. Time	Area%
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2	9.162	49.850
Total		100.000



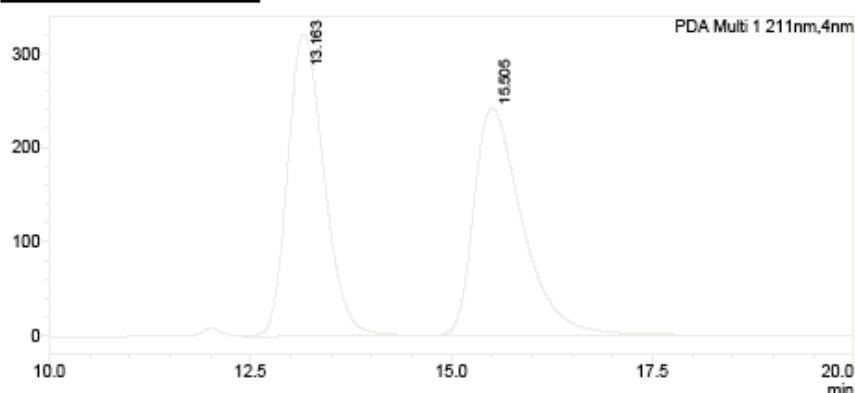
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2	9.155	99.528
Total		100.000



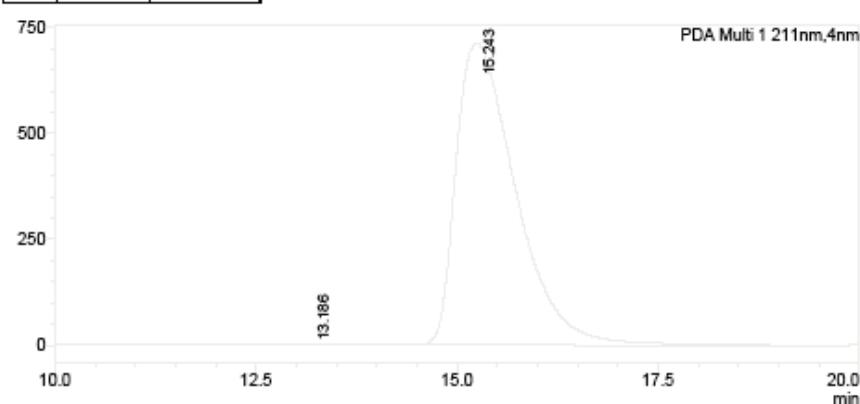
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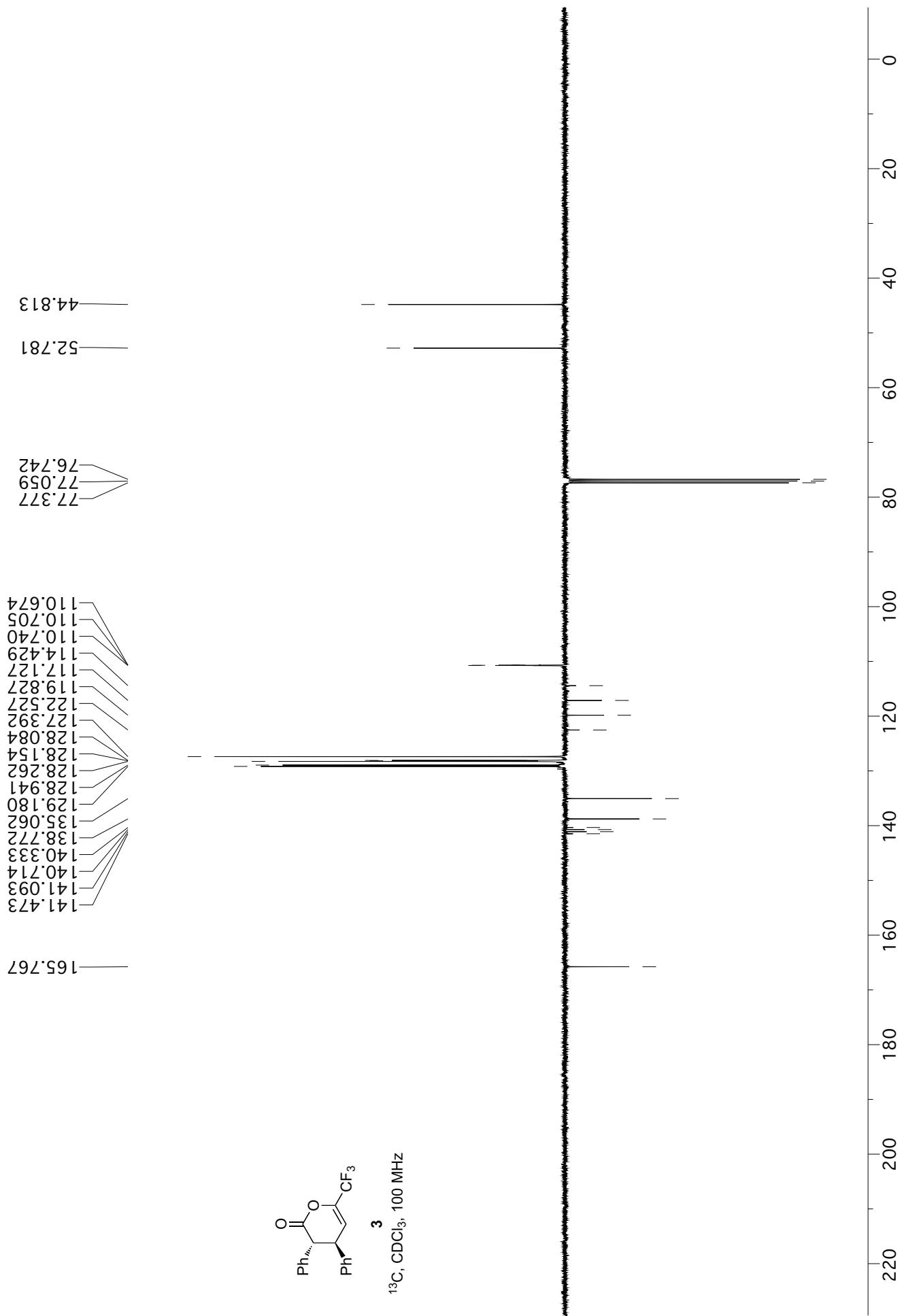


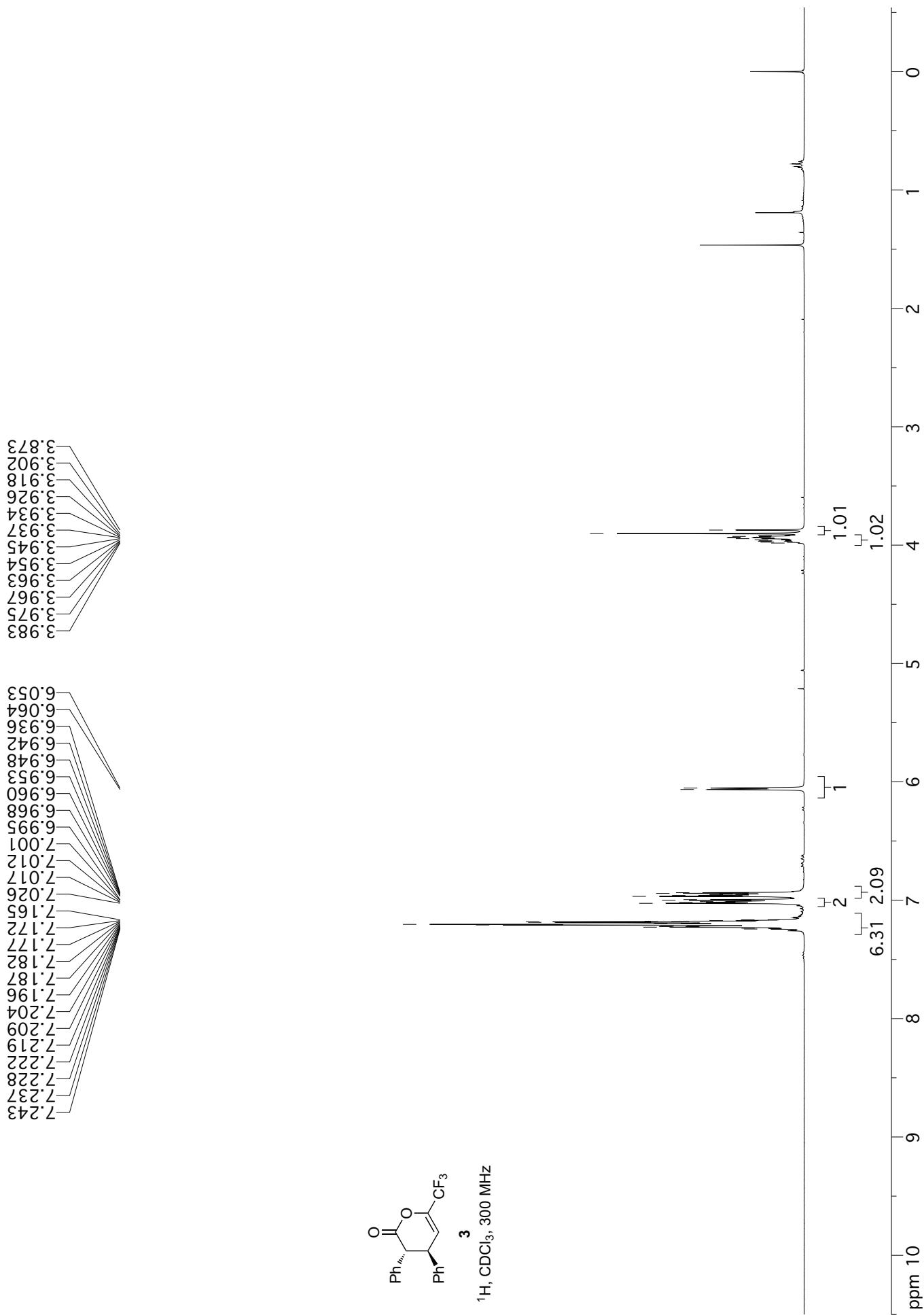
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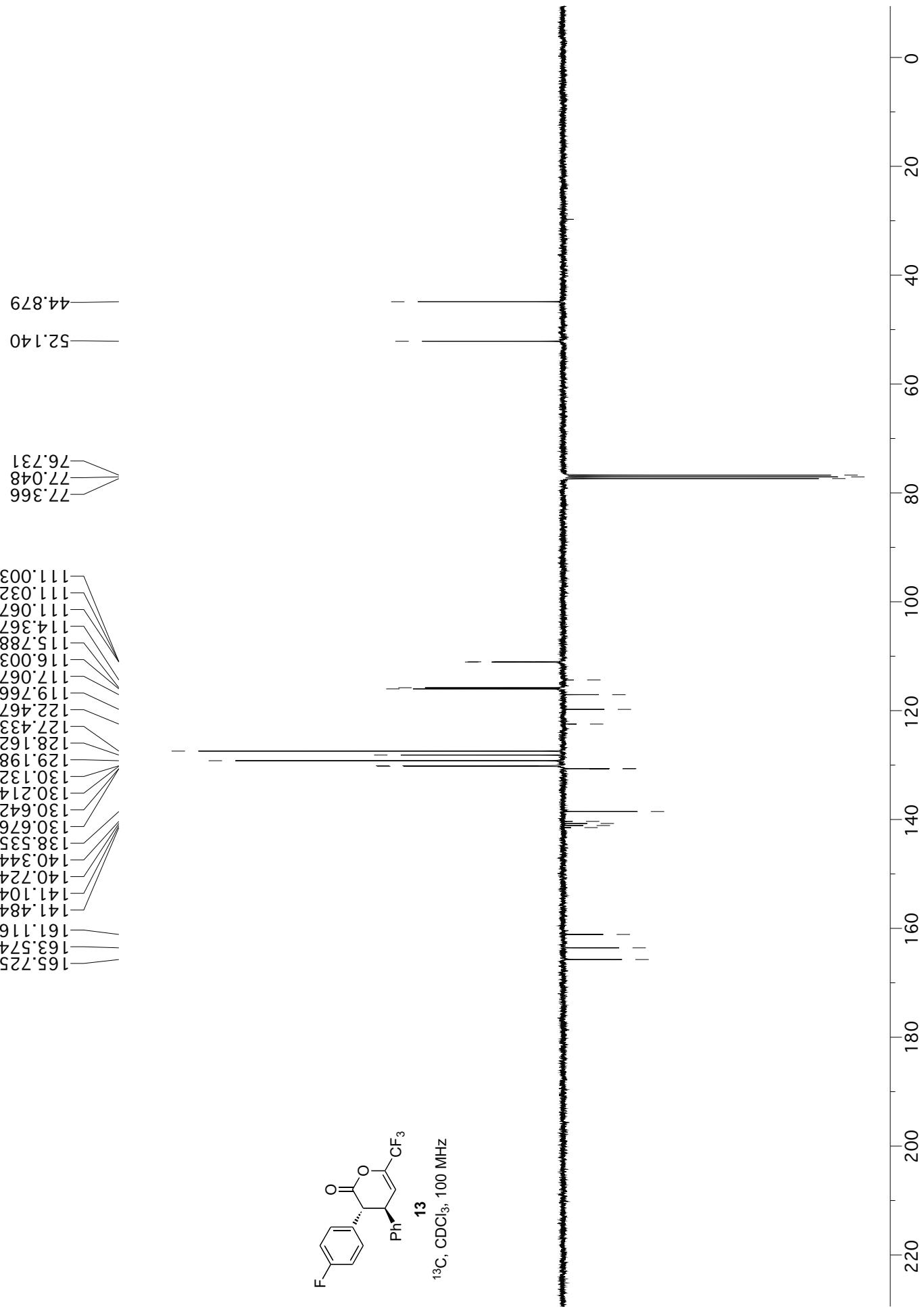


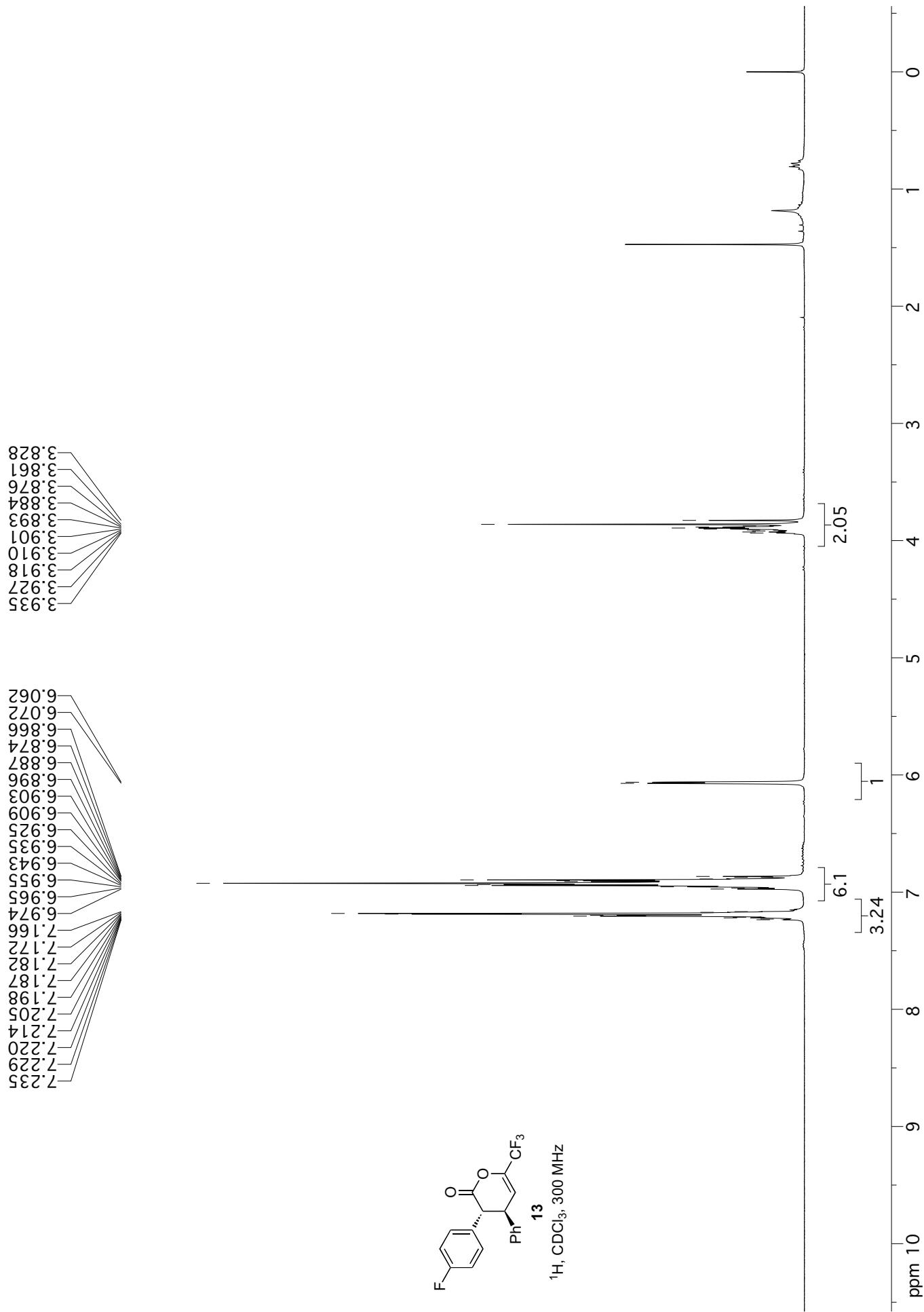
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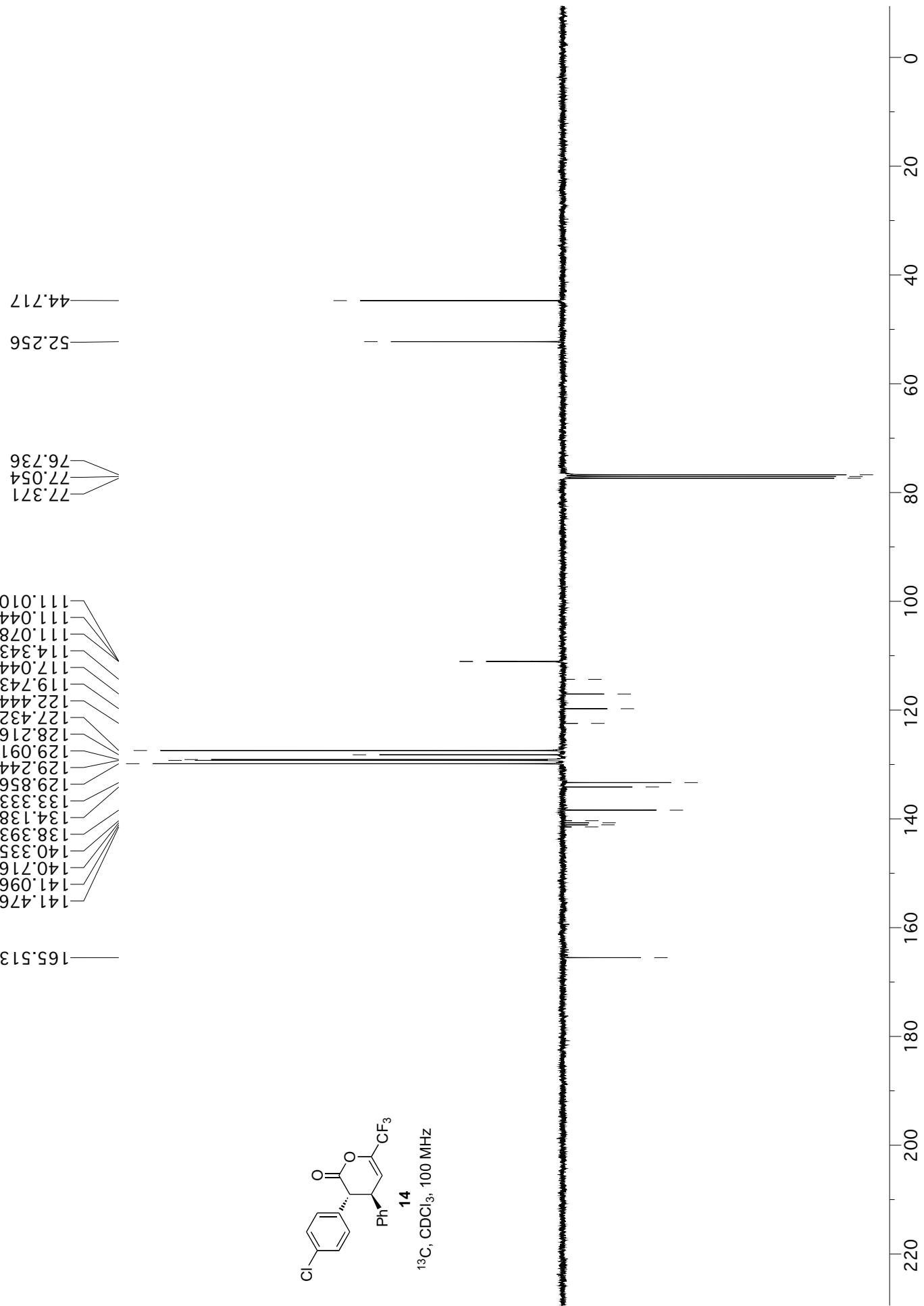


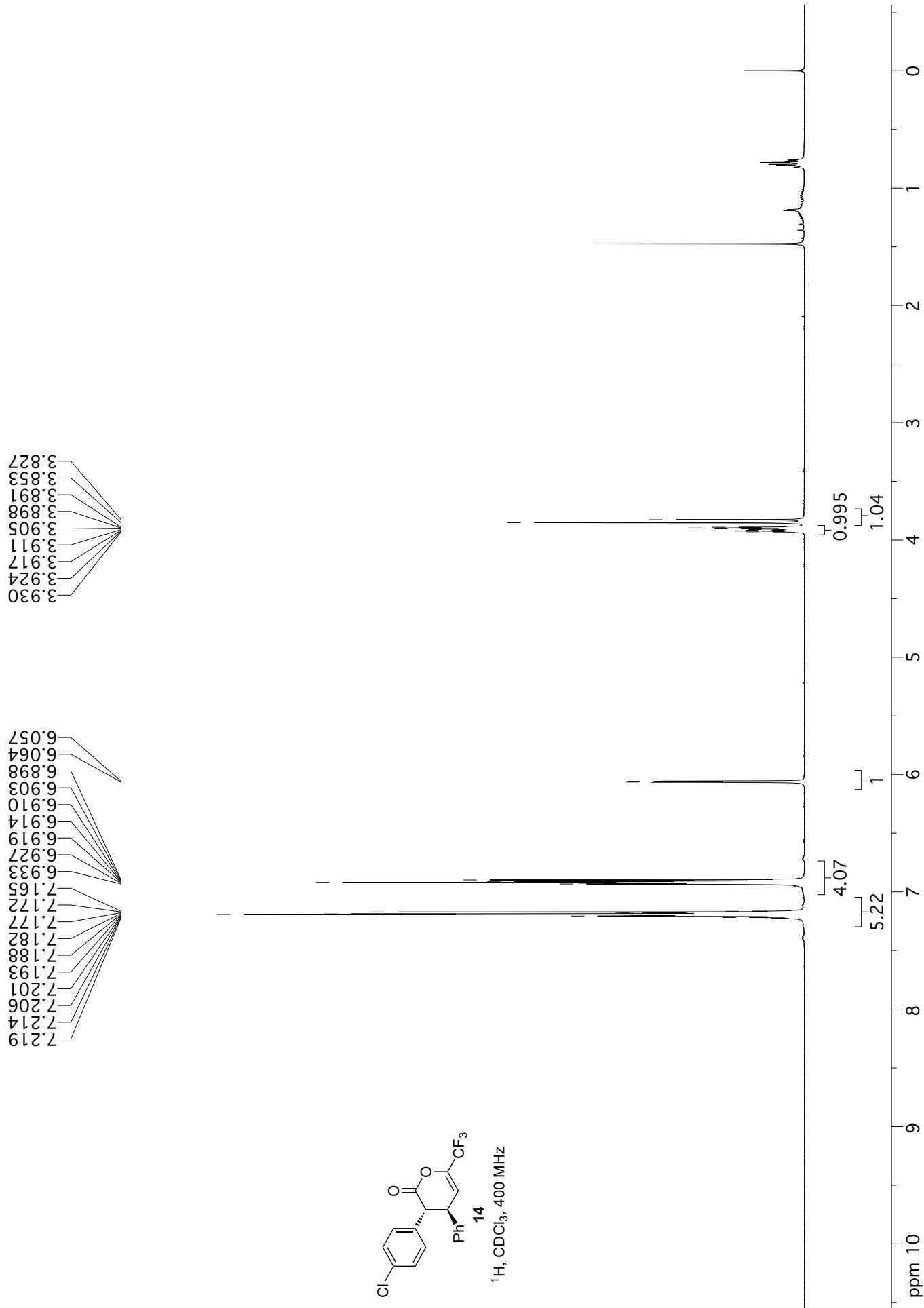


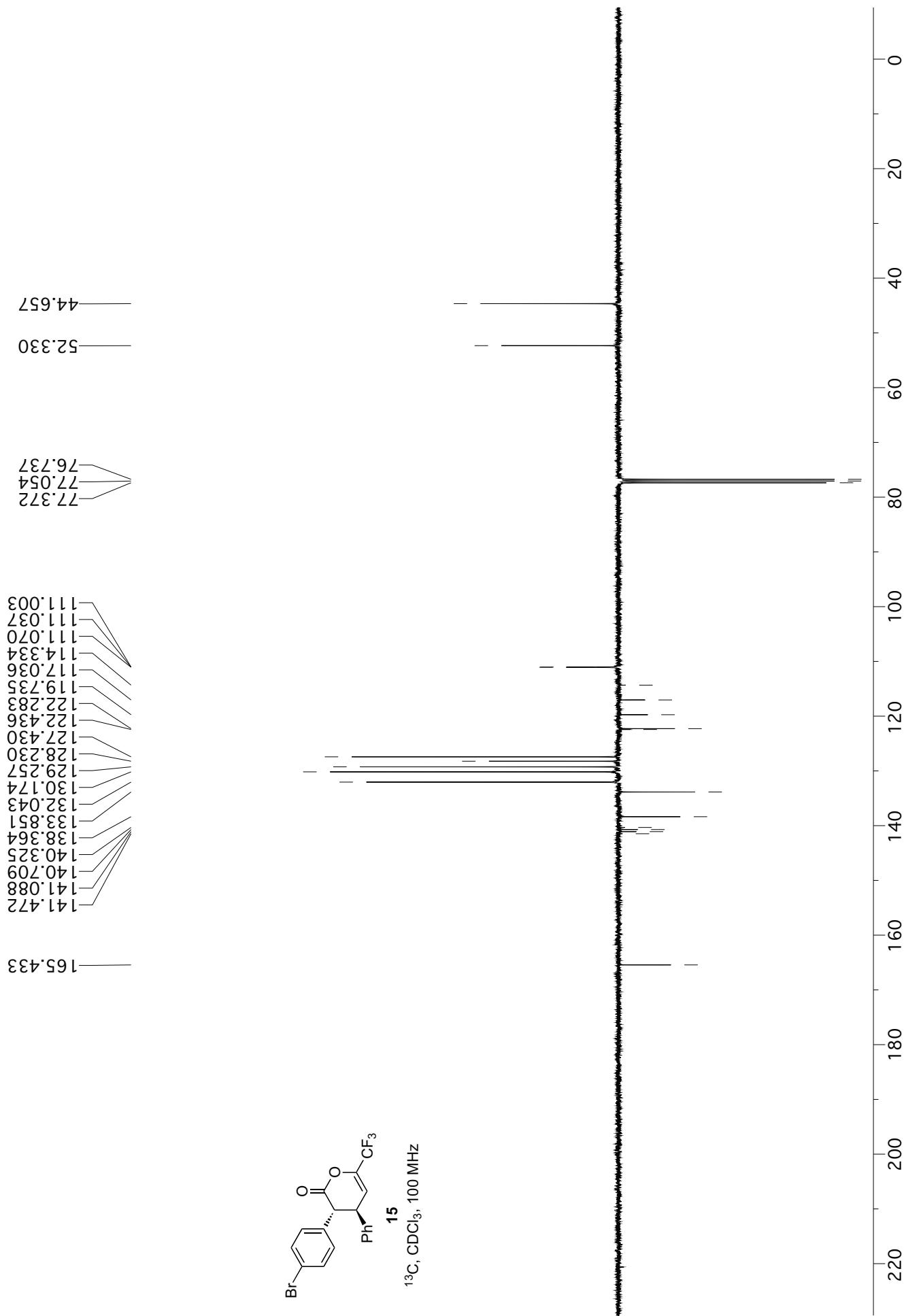


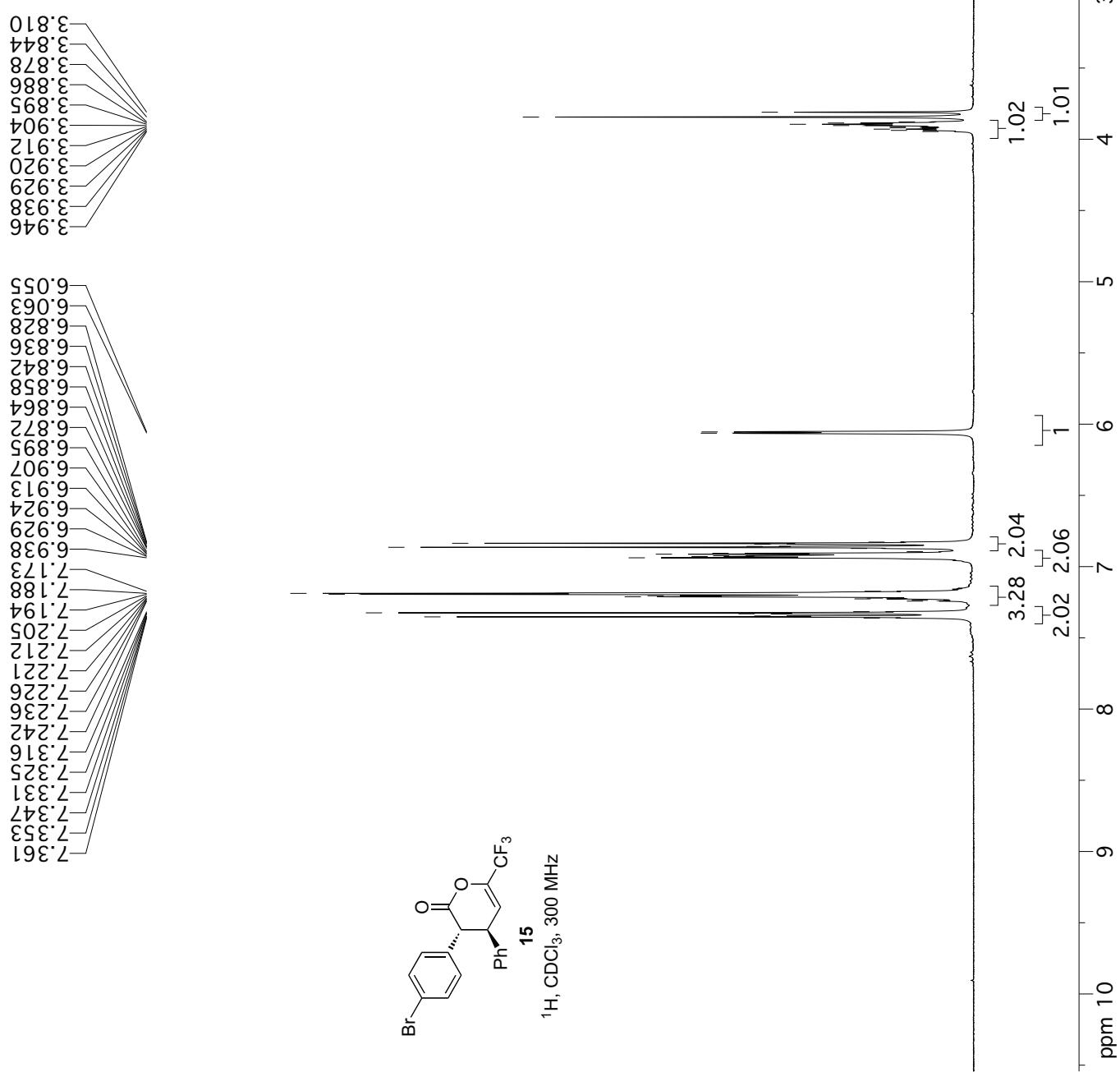


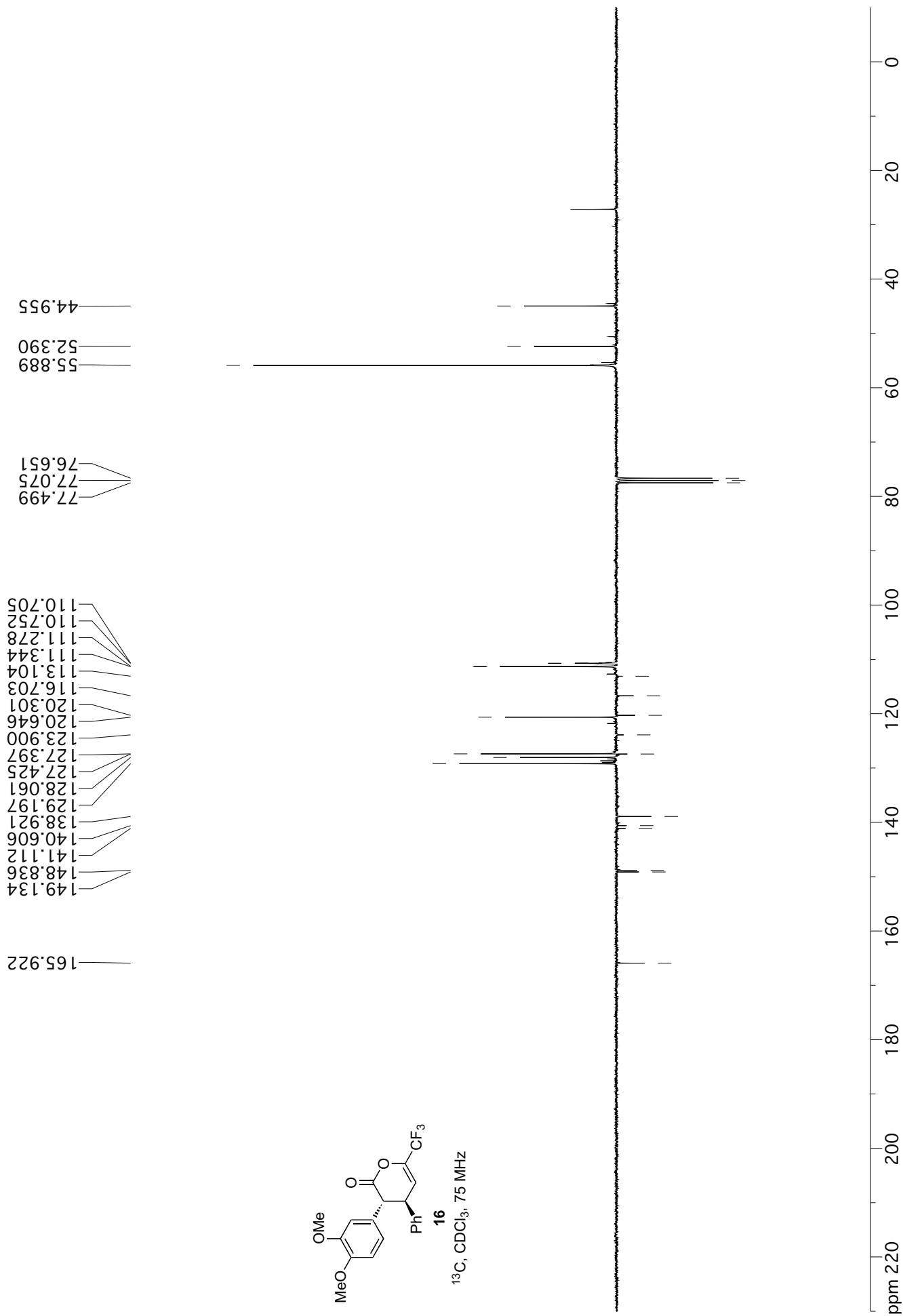


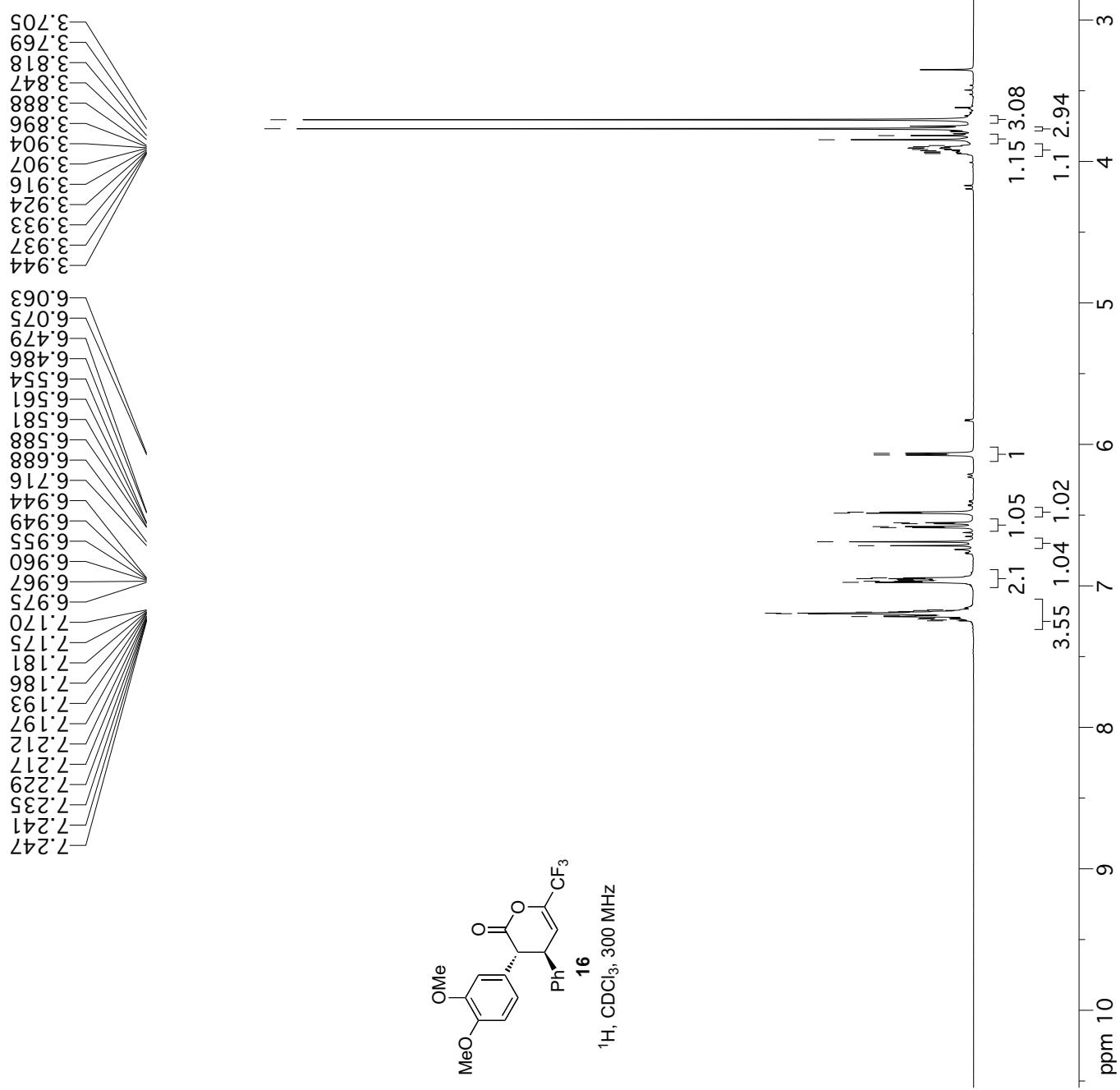


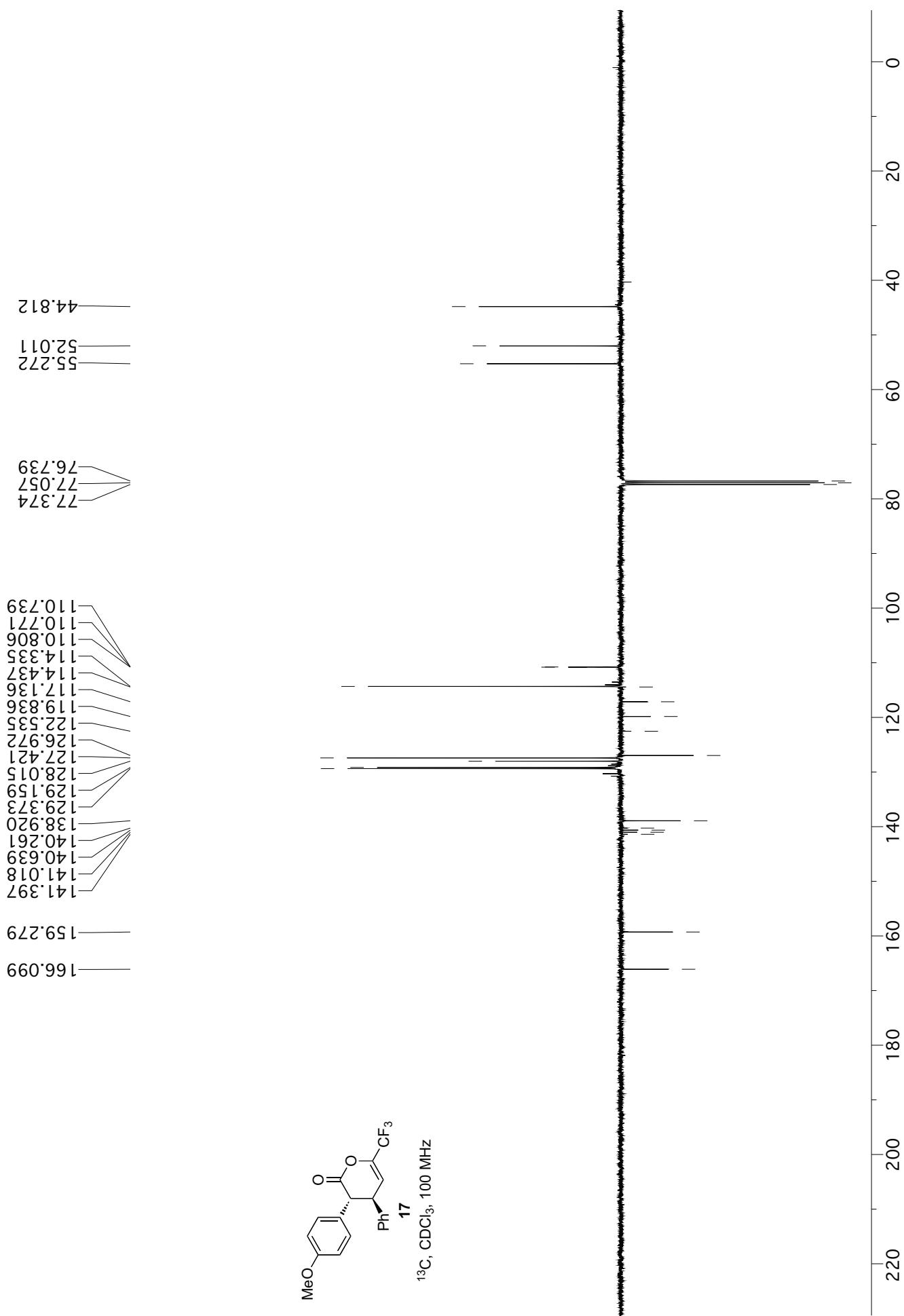


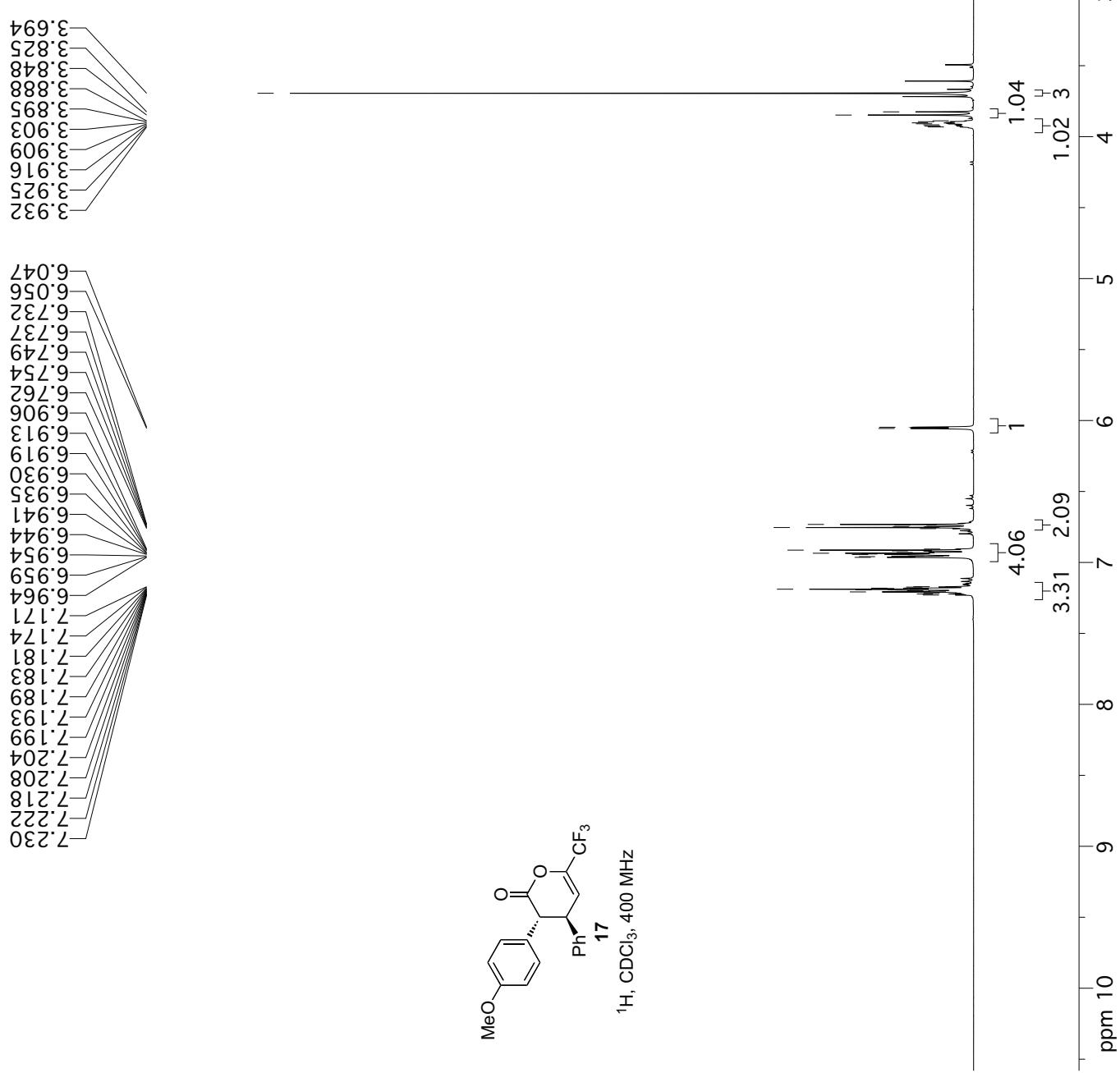


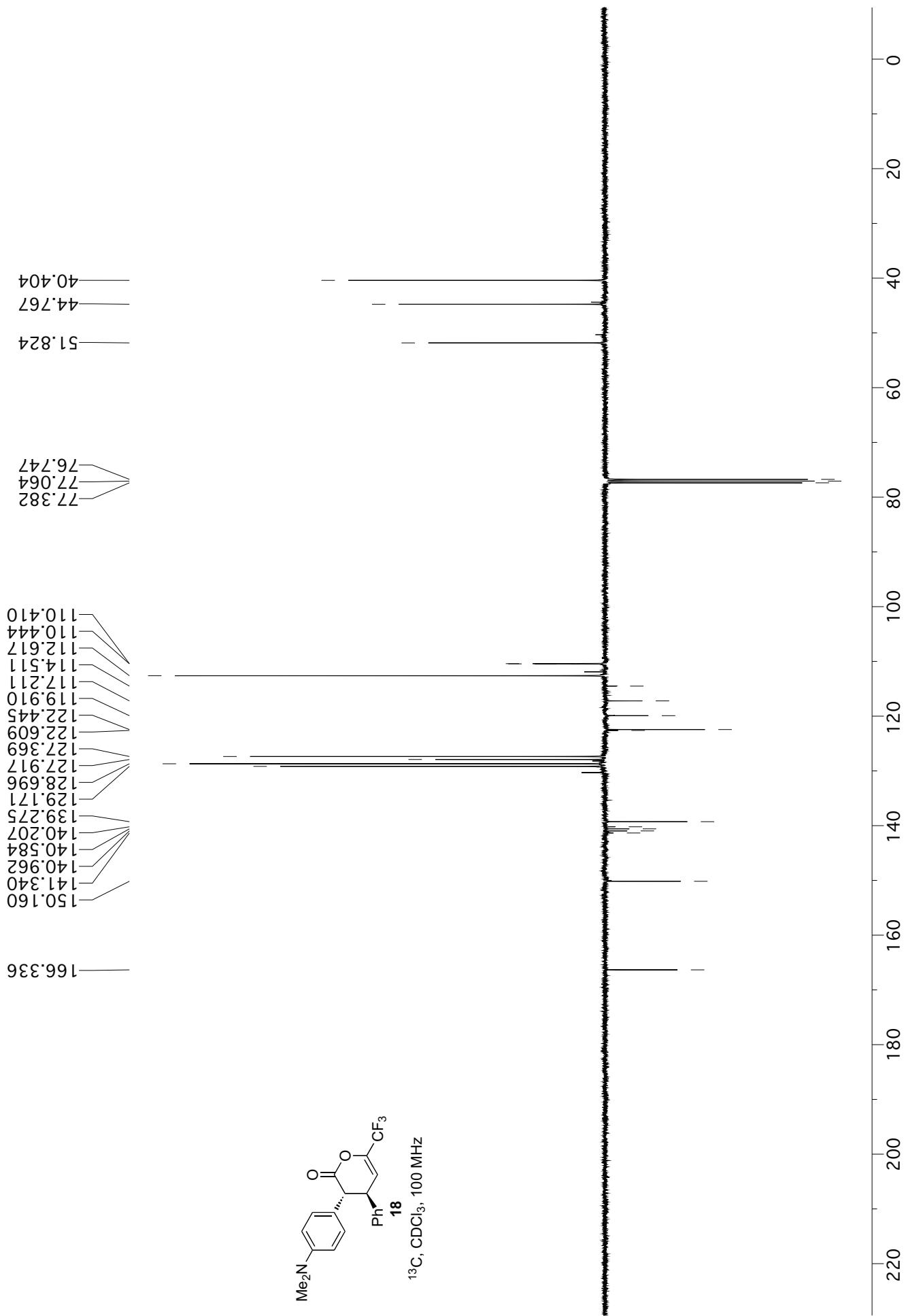


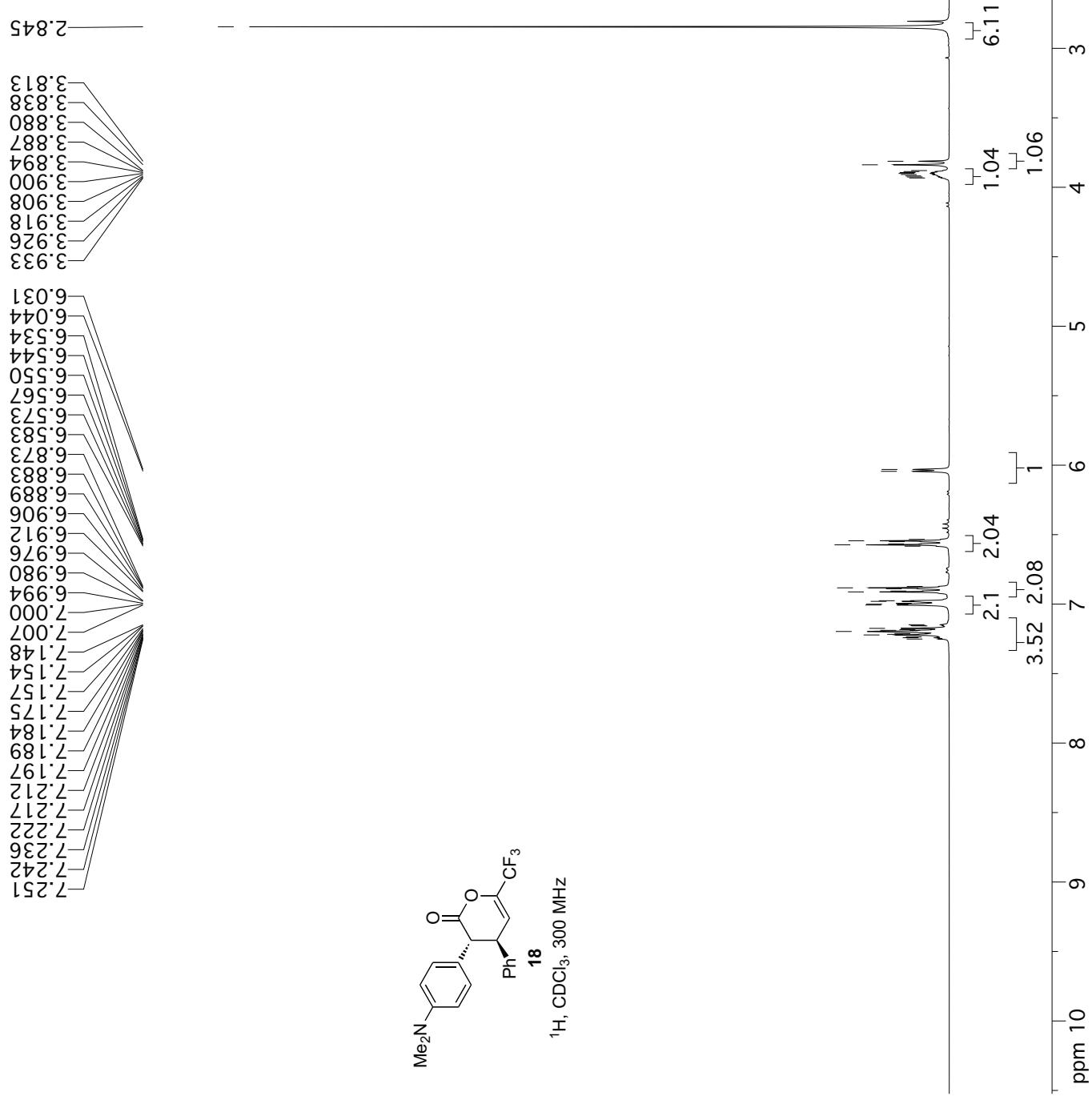


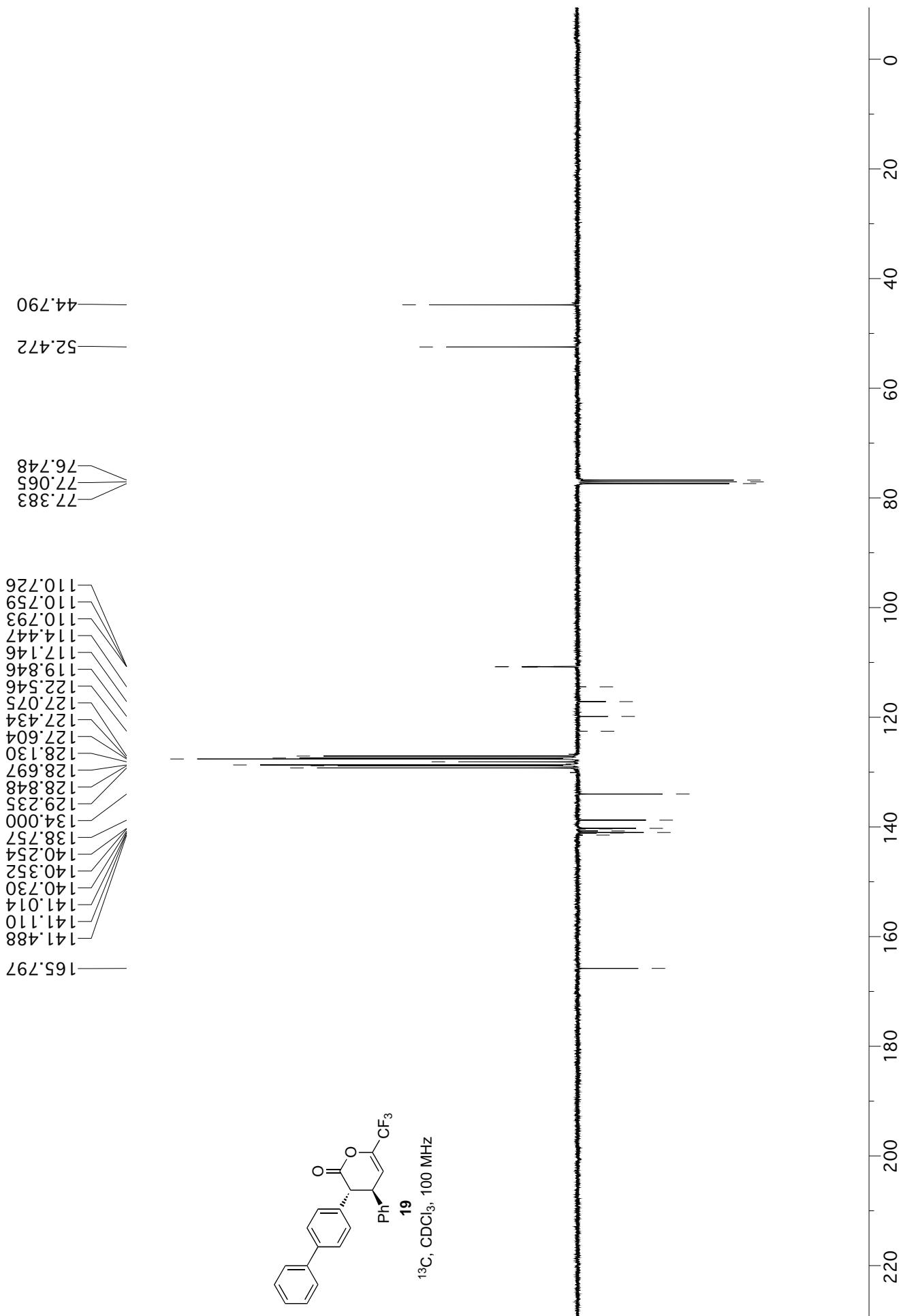


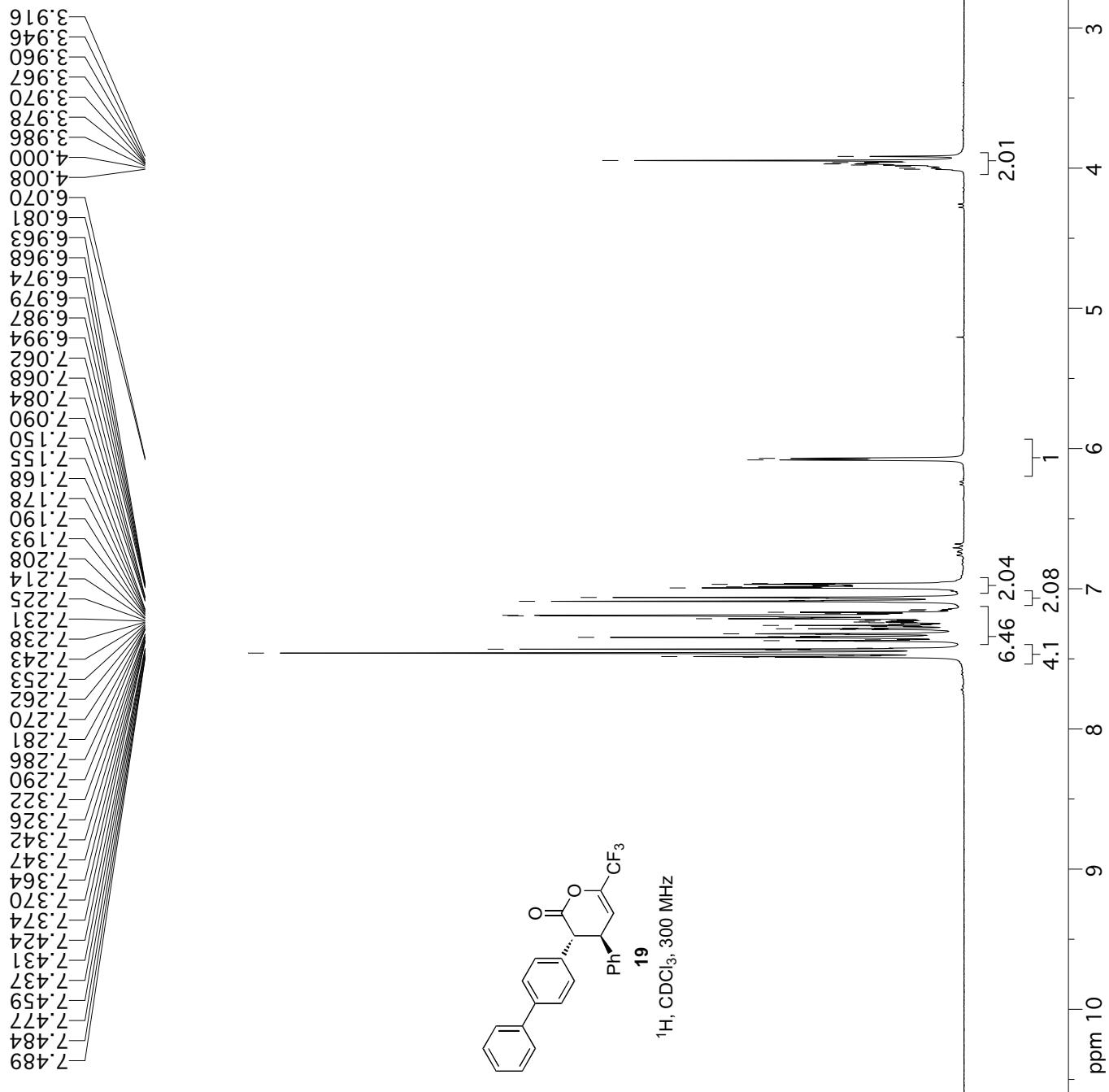


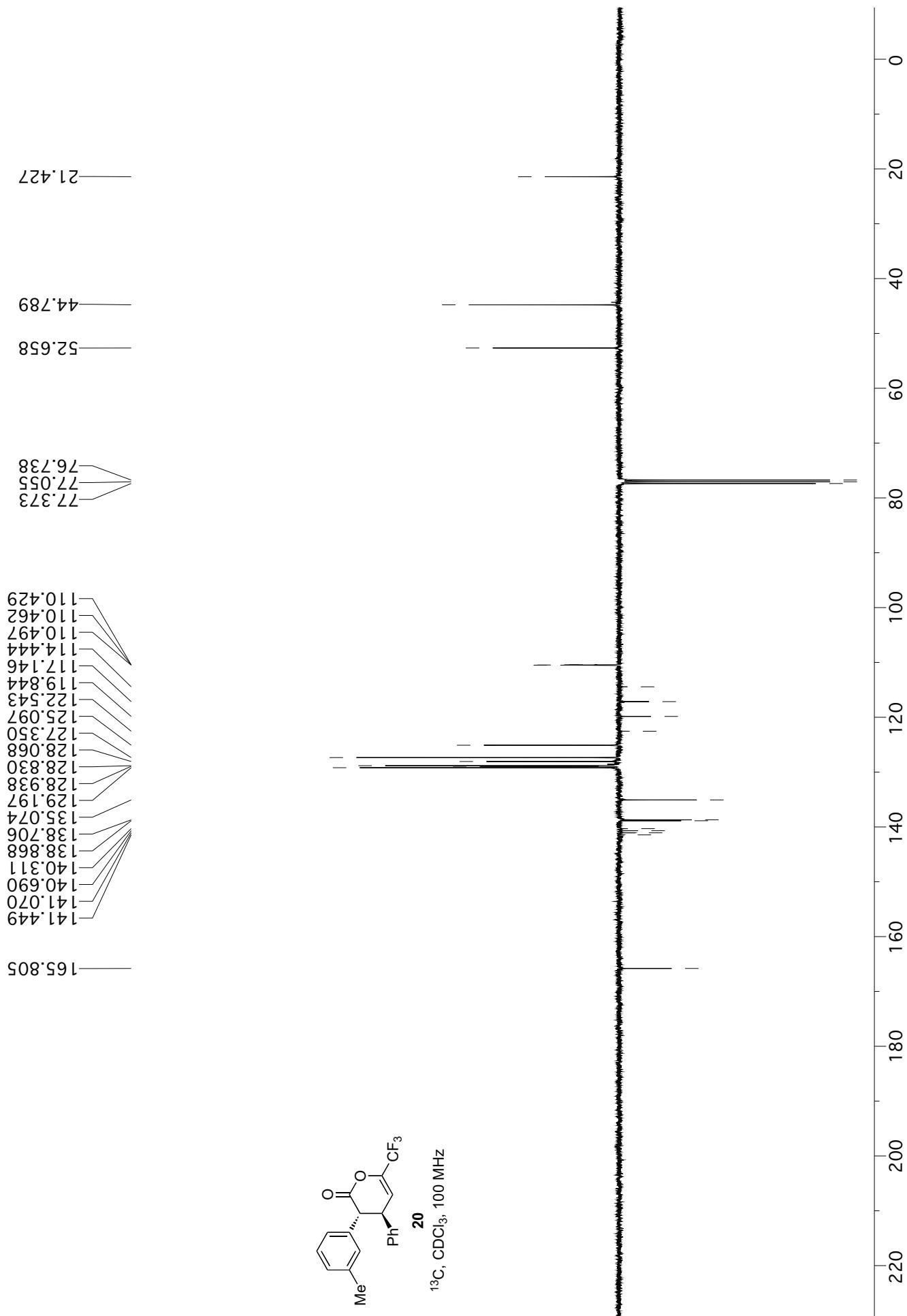


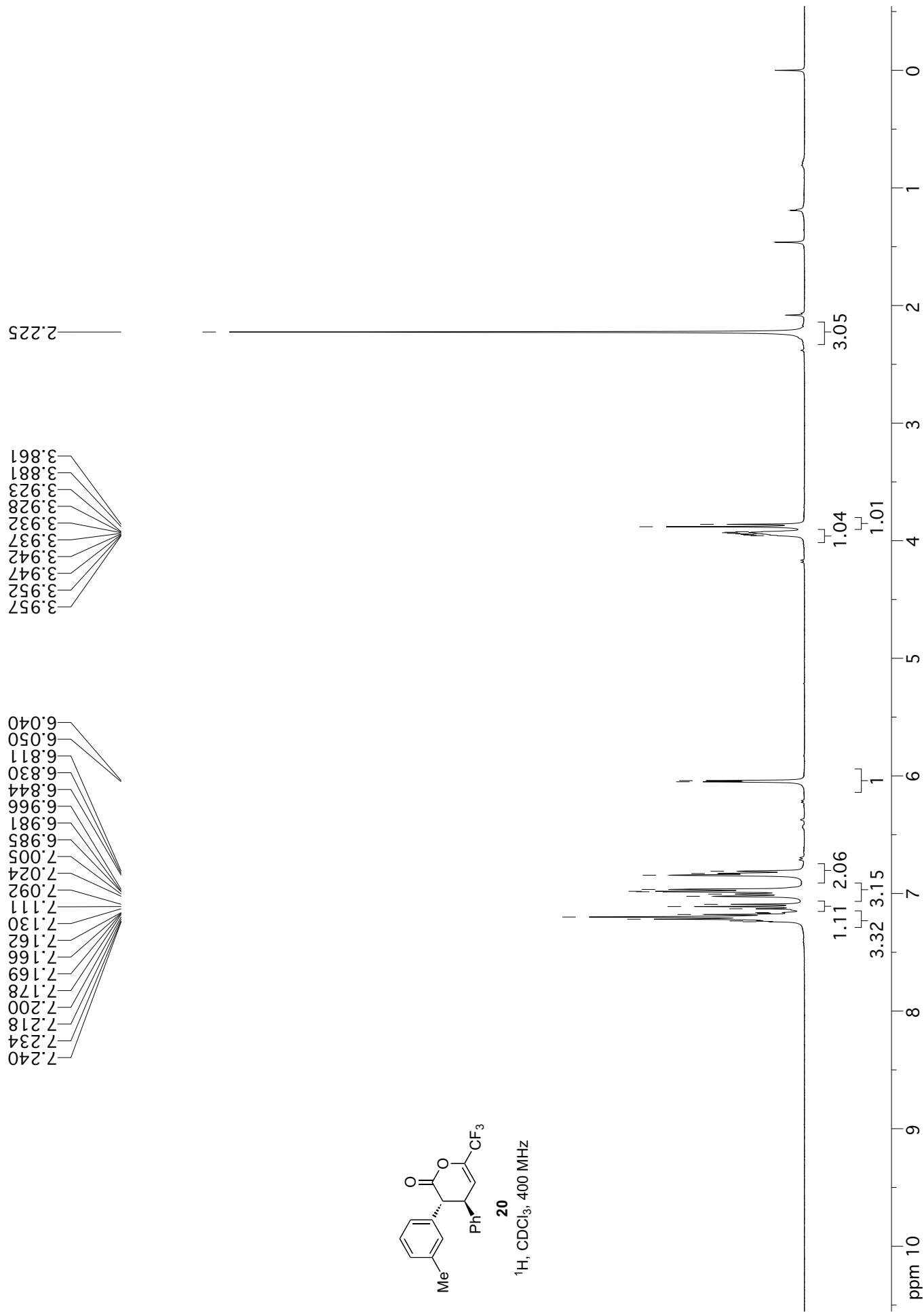


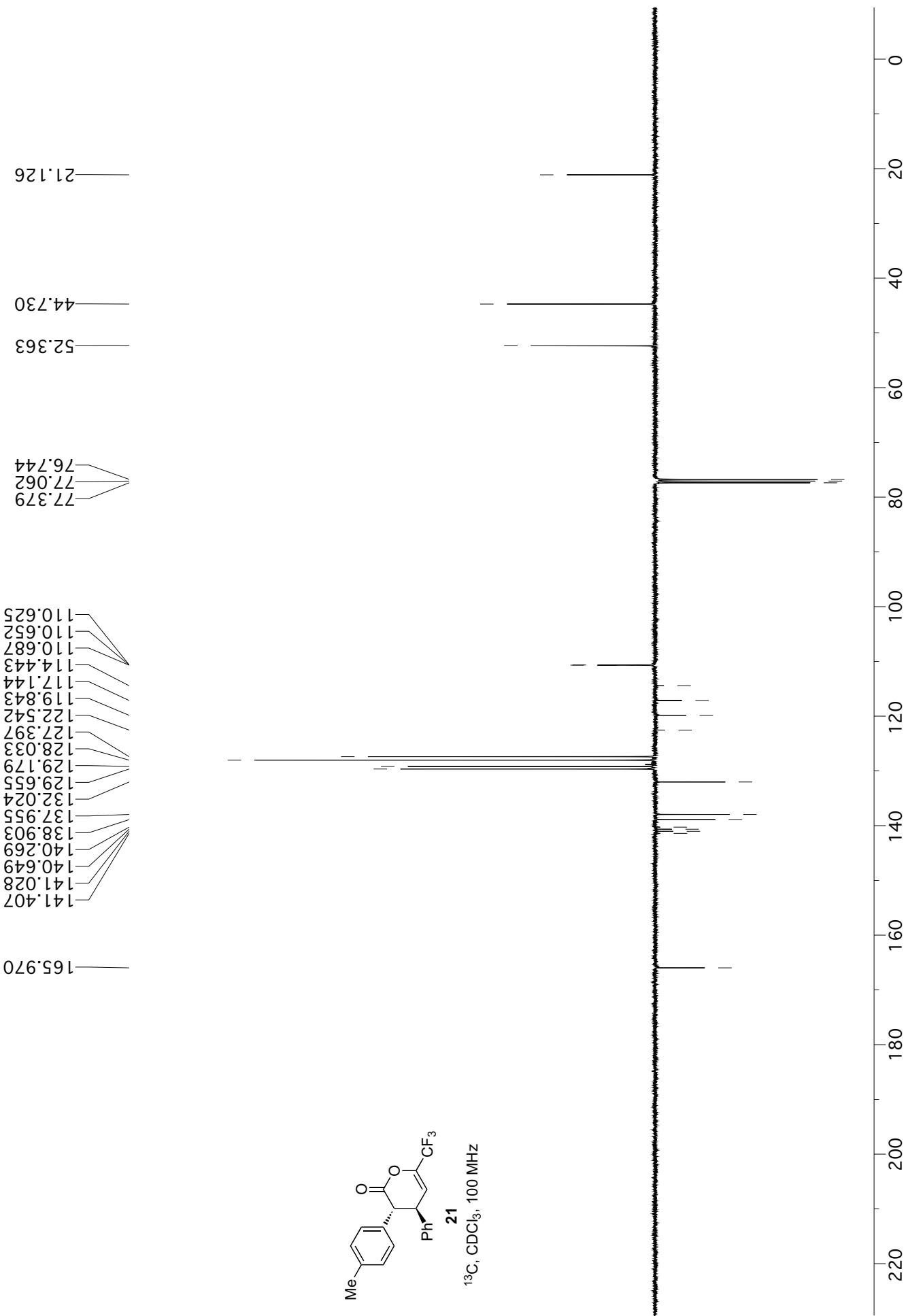


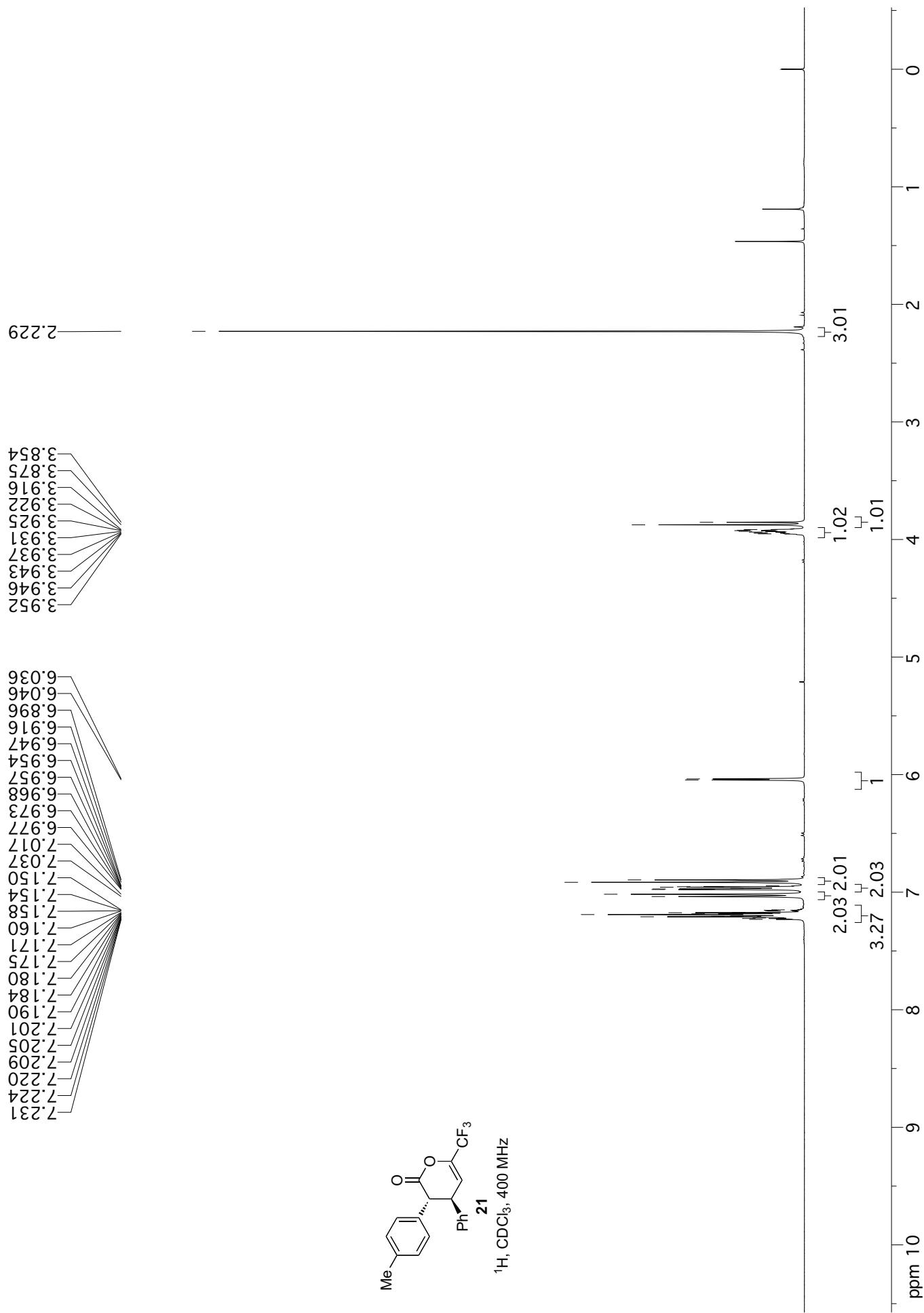


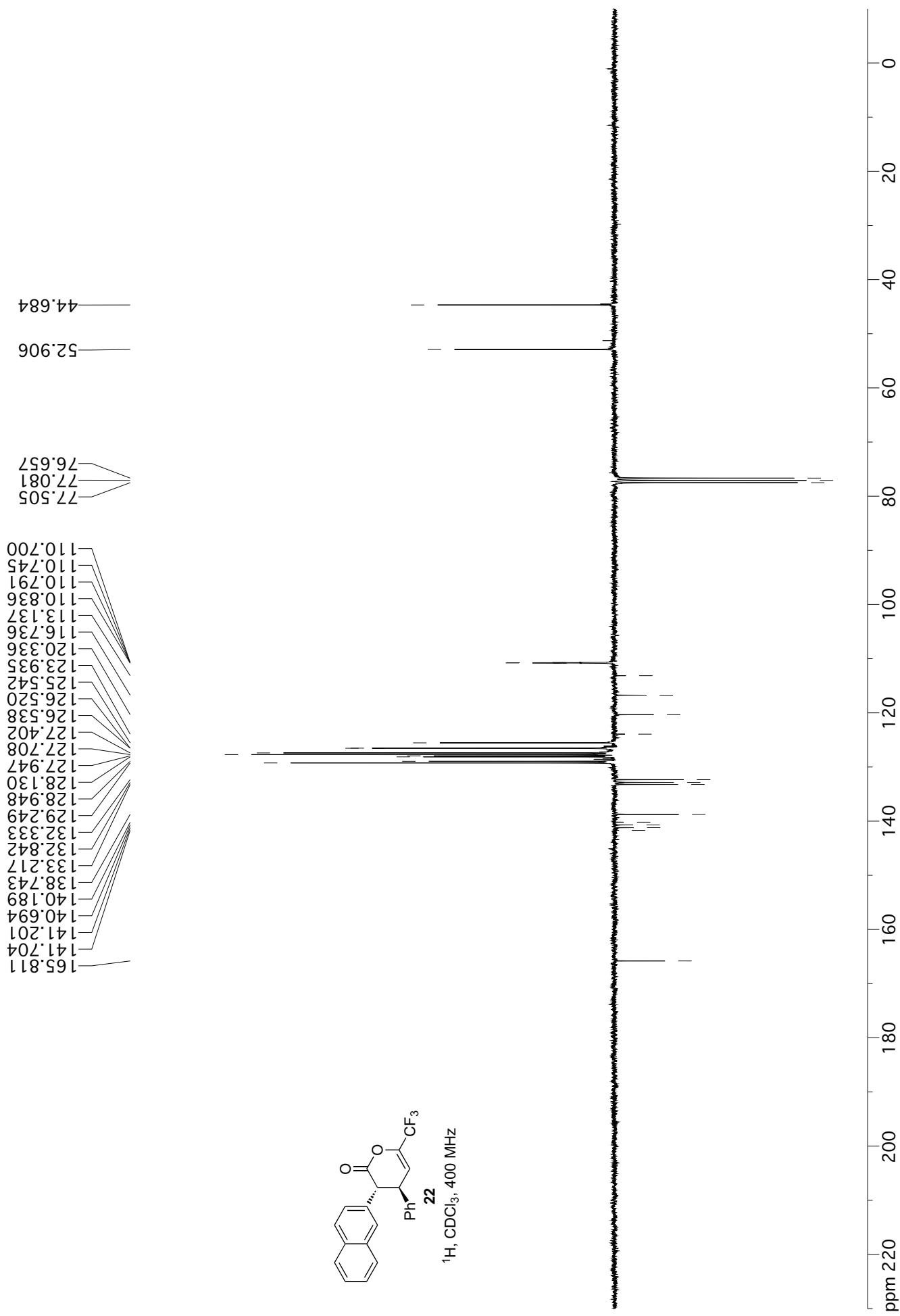


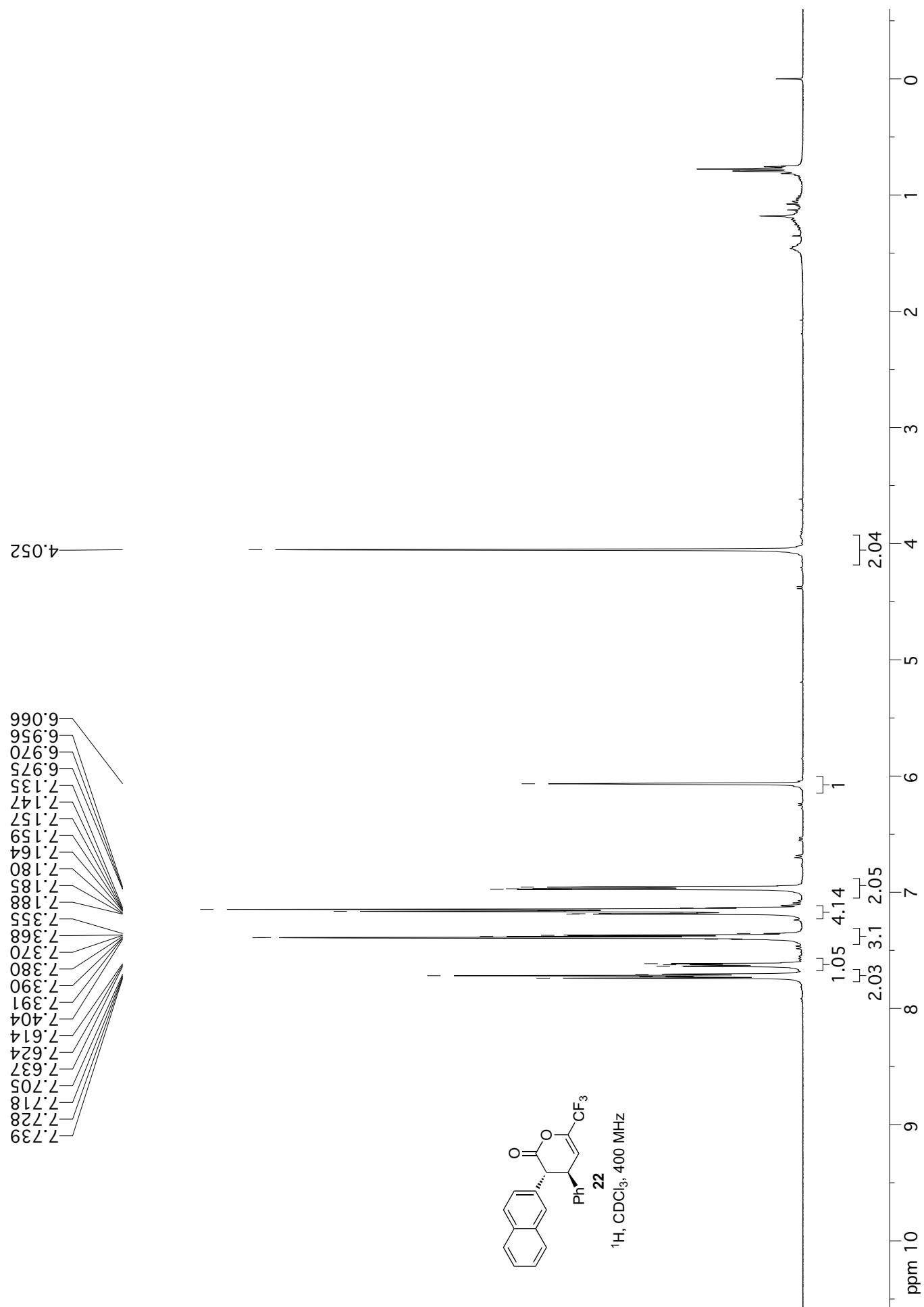


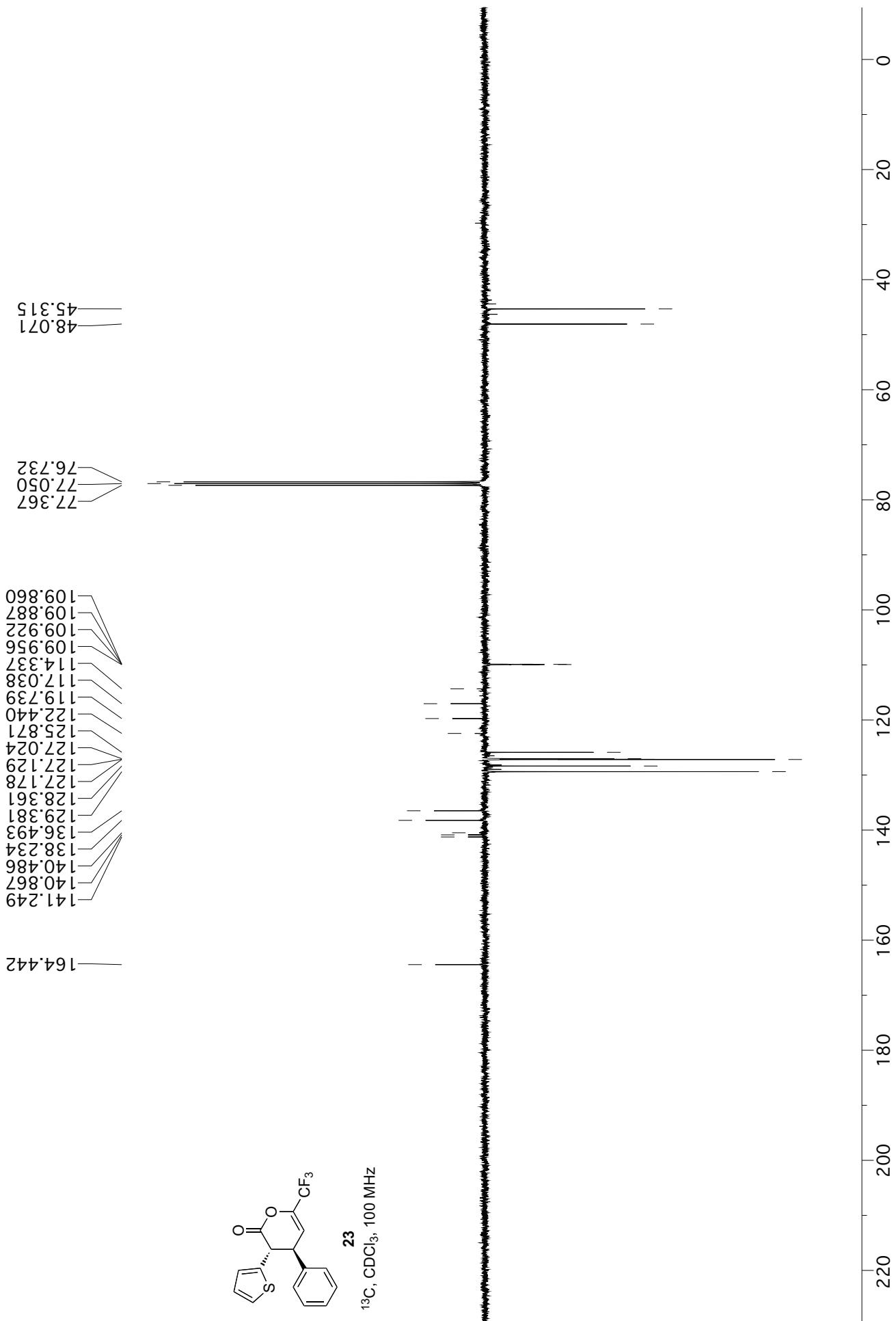


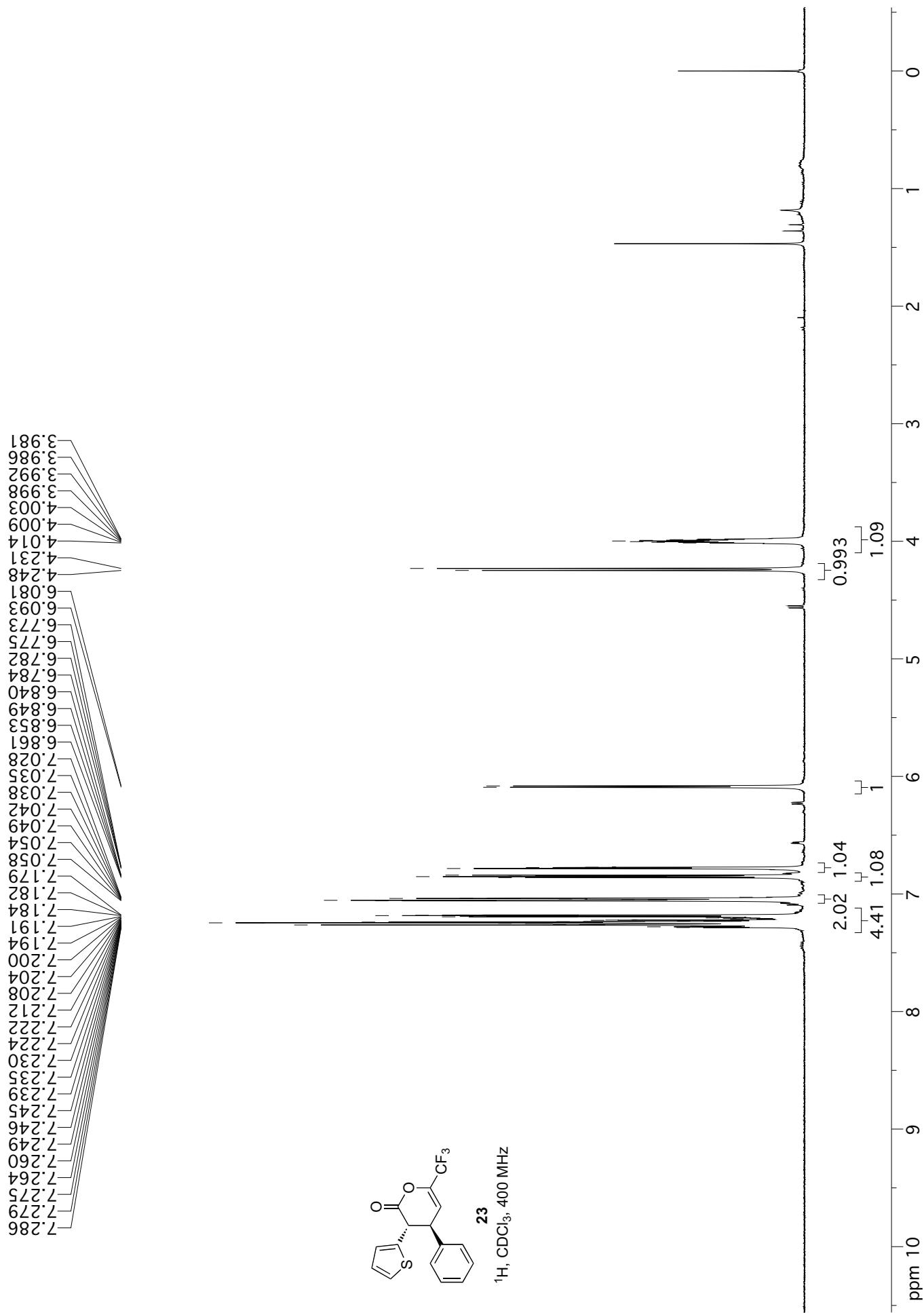


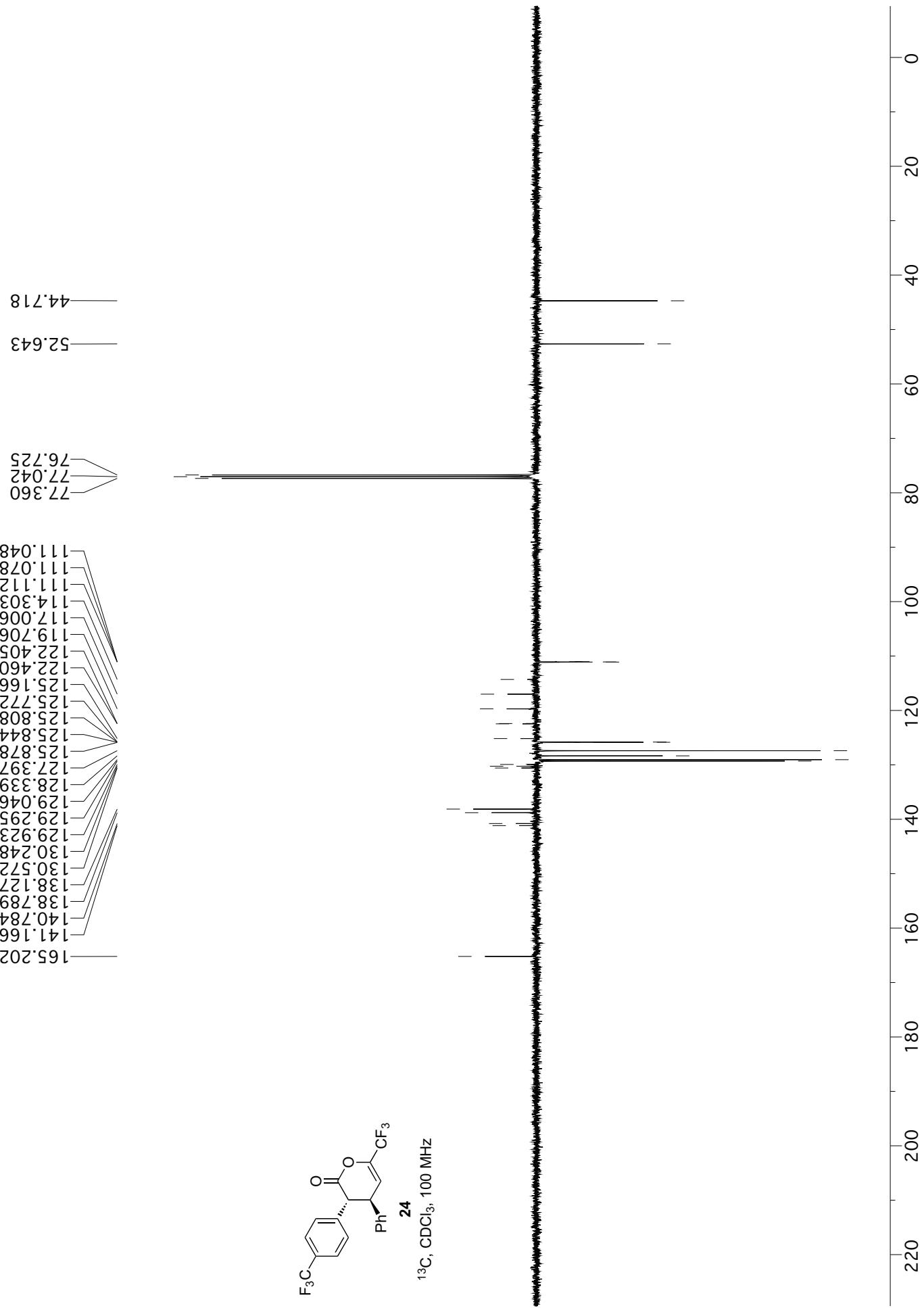


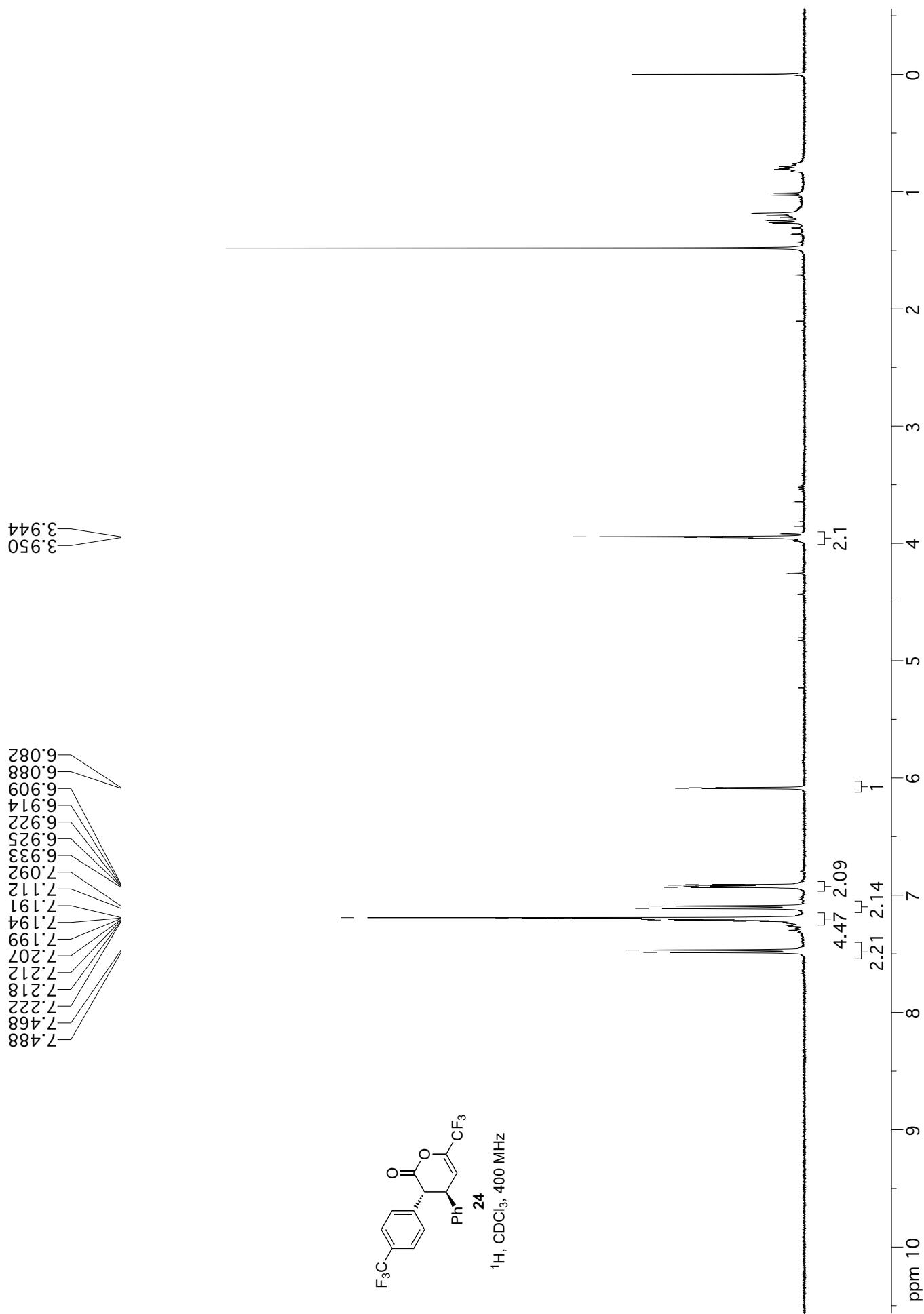


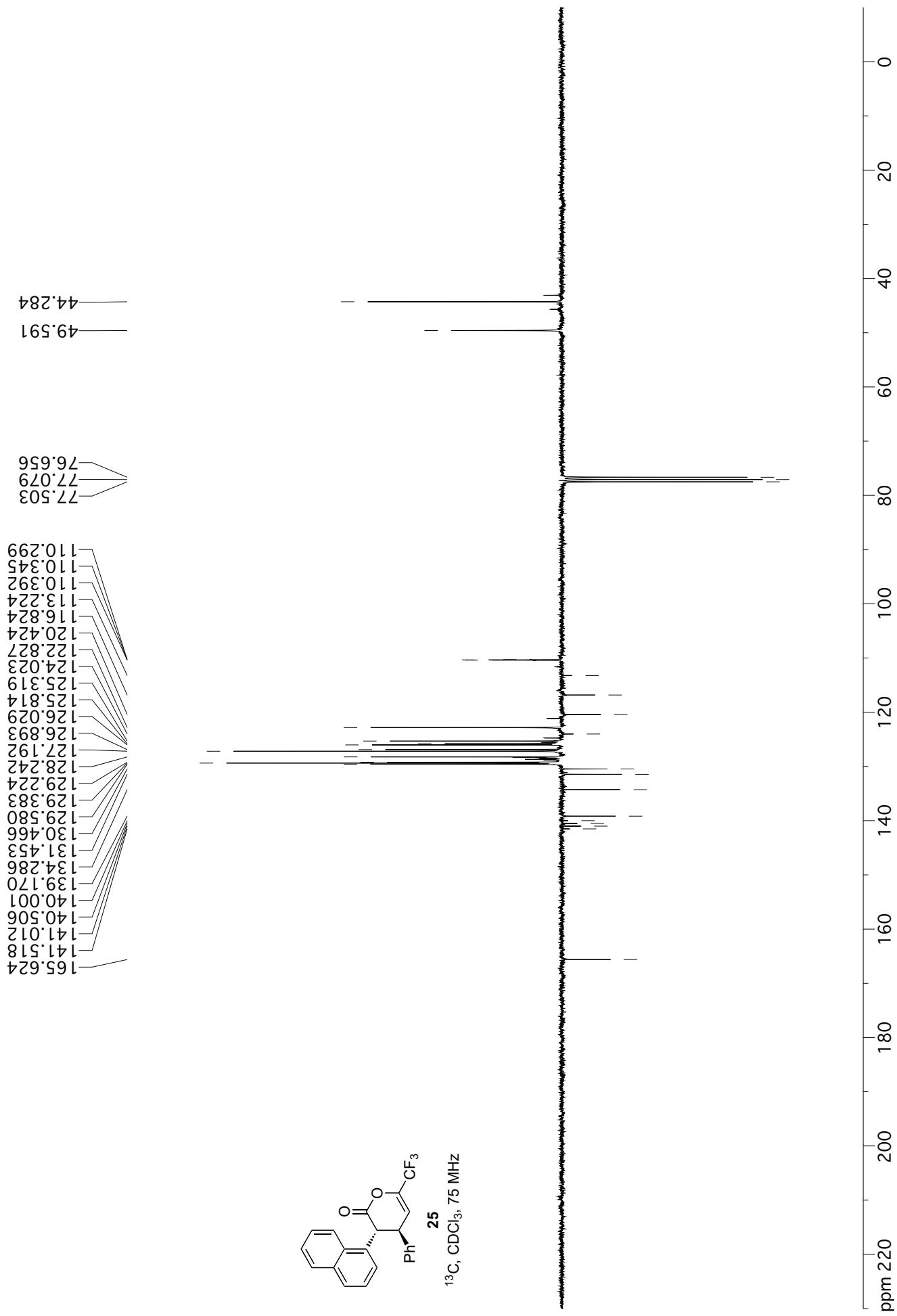


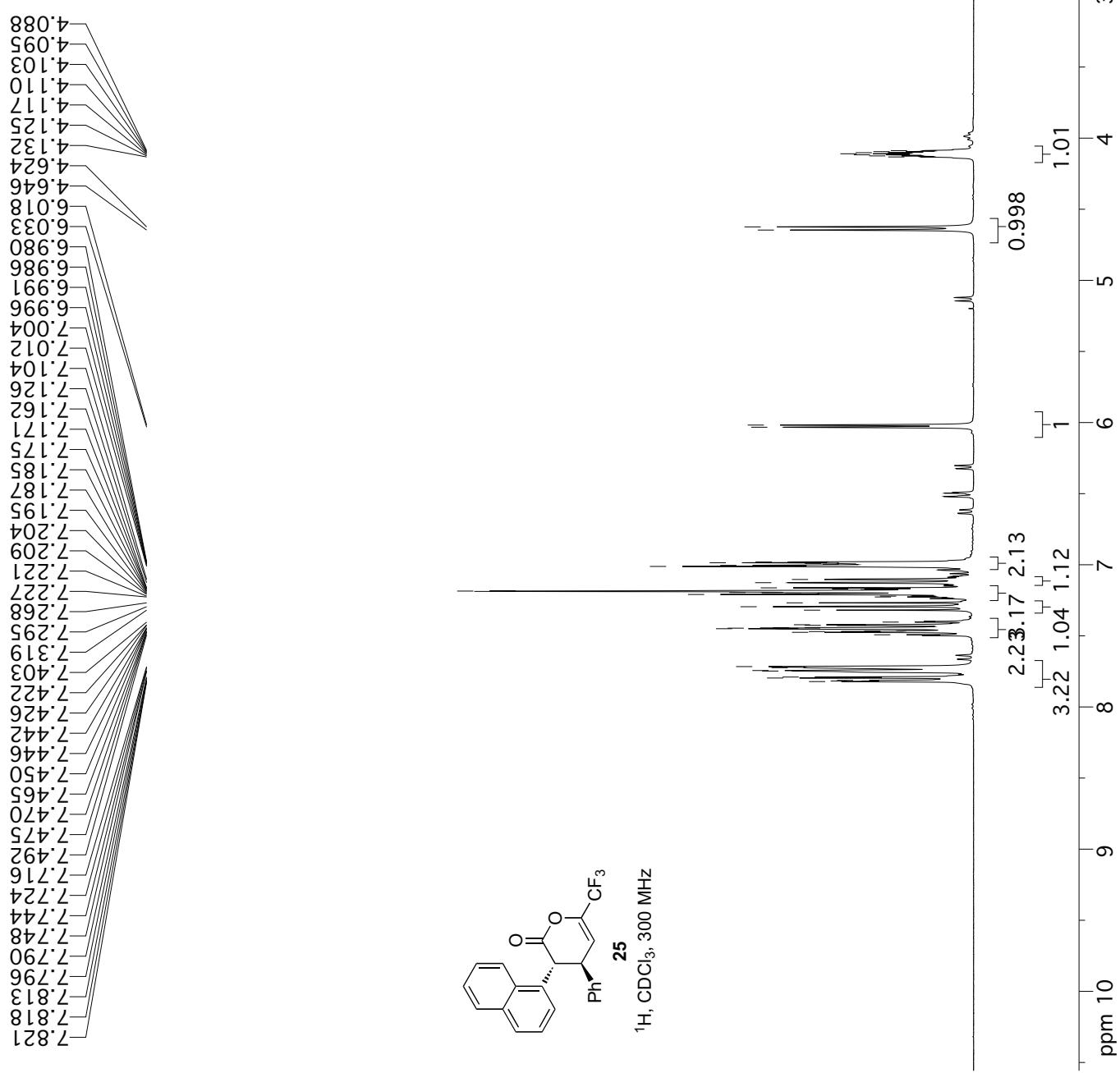


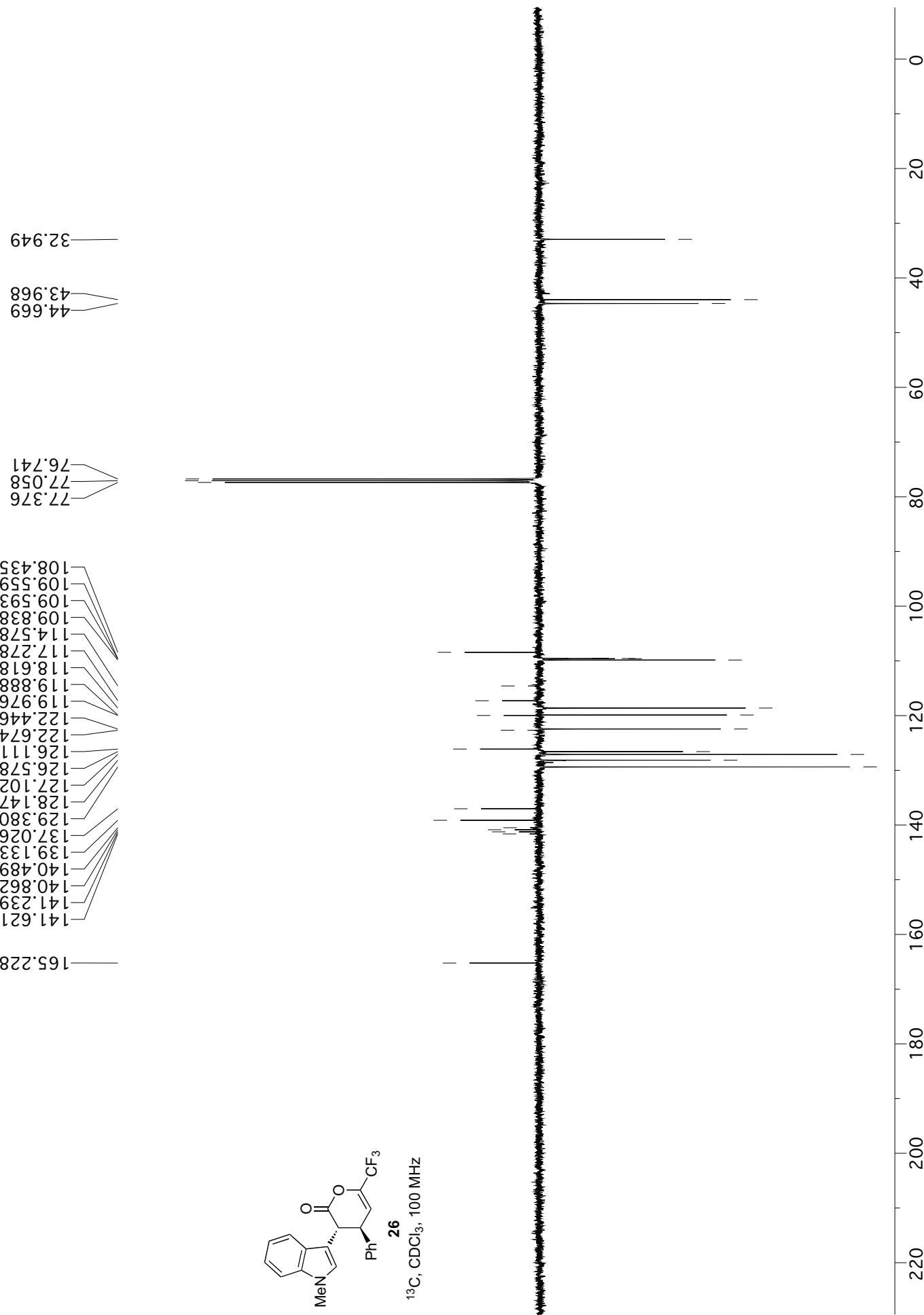


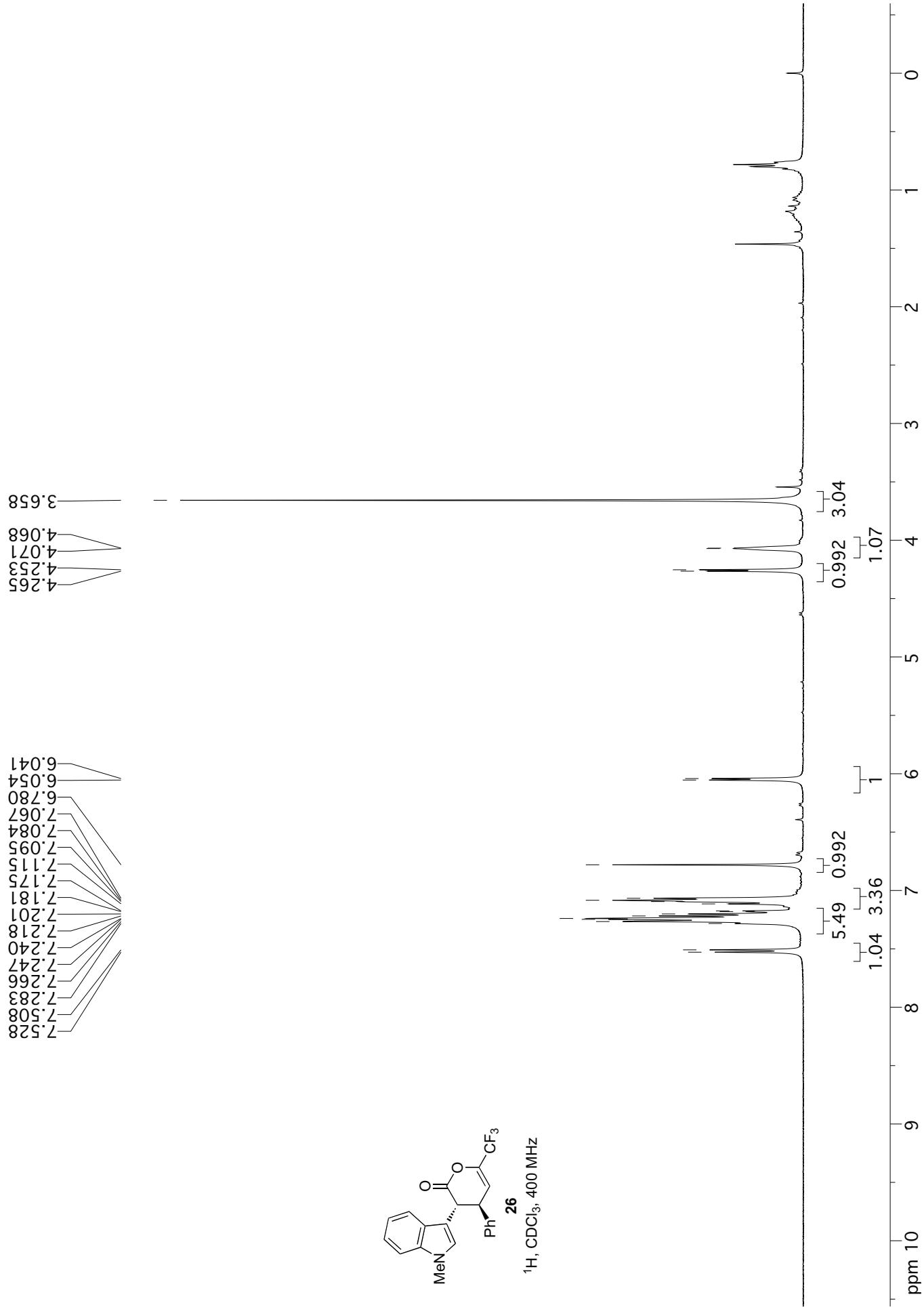


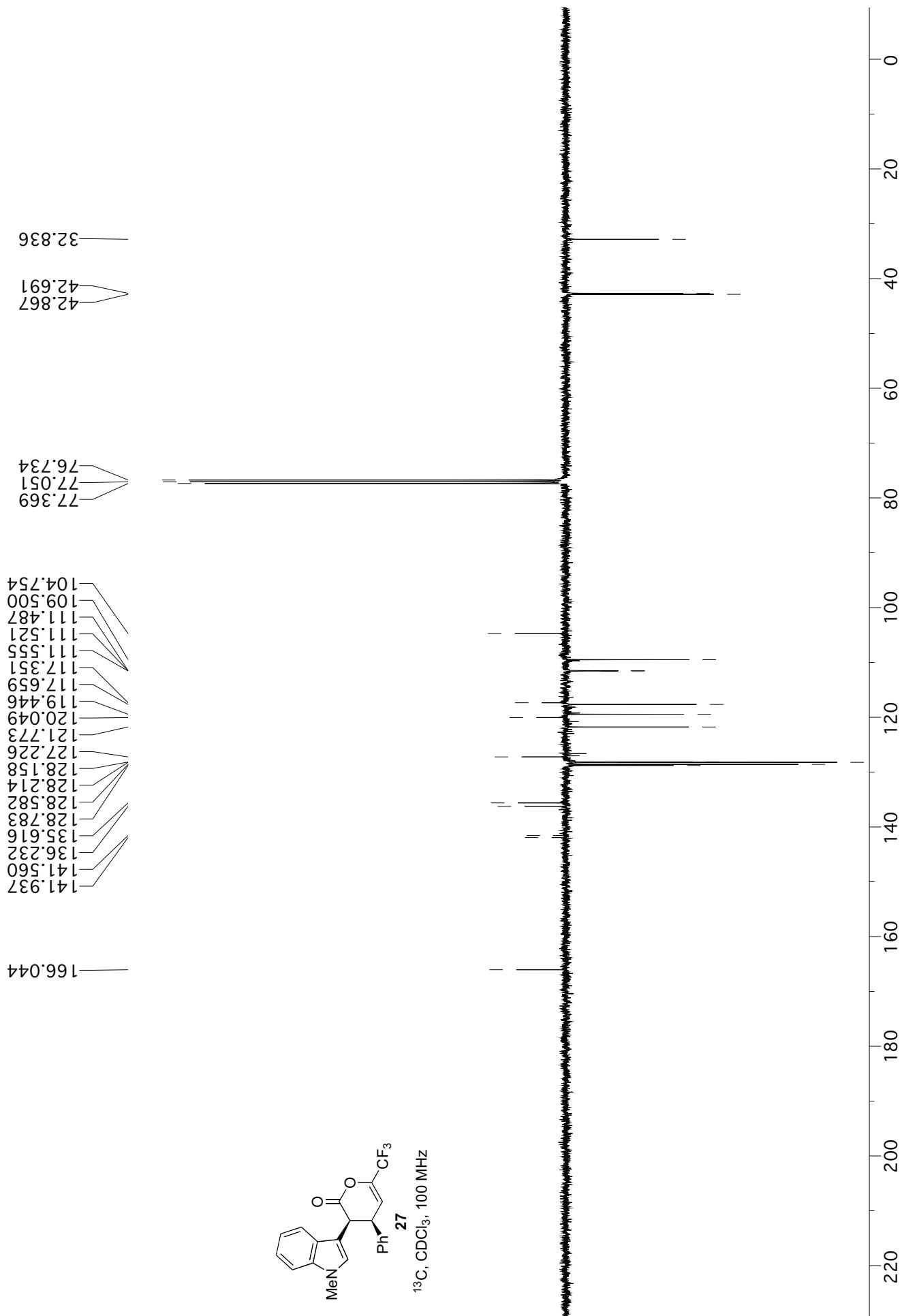


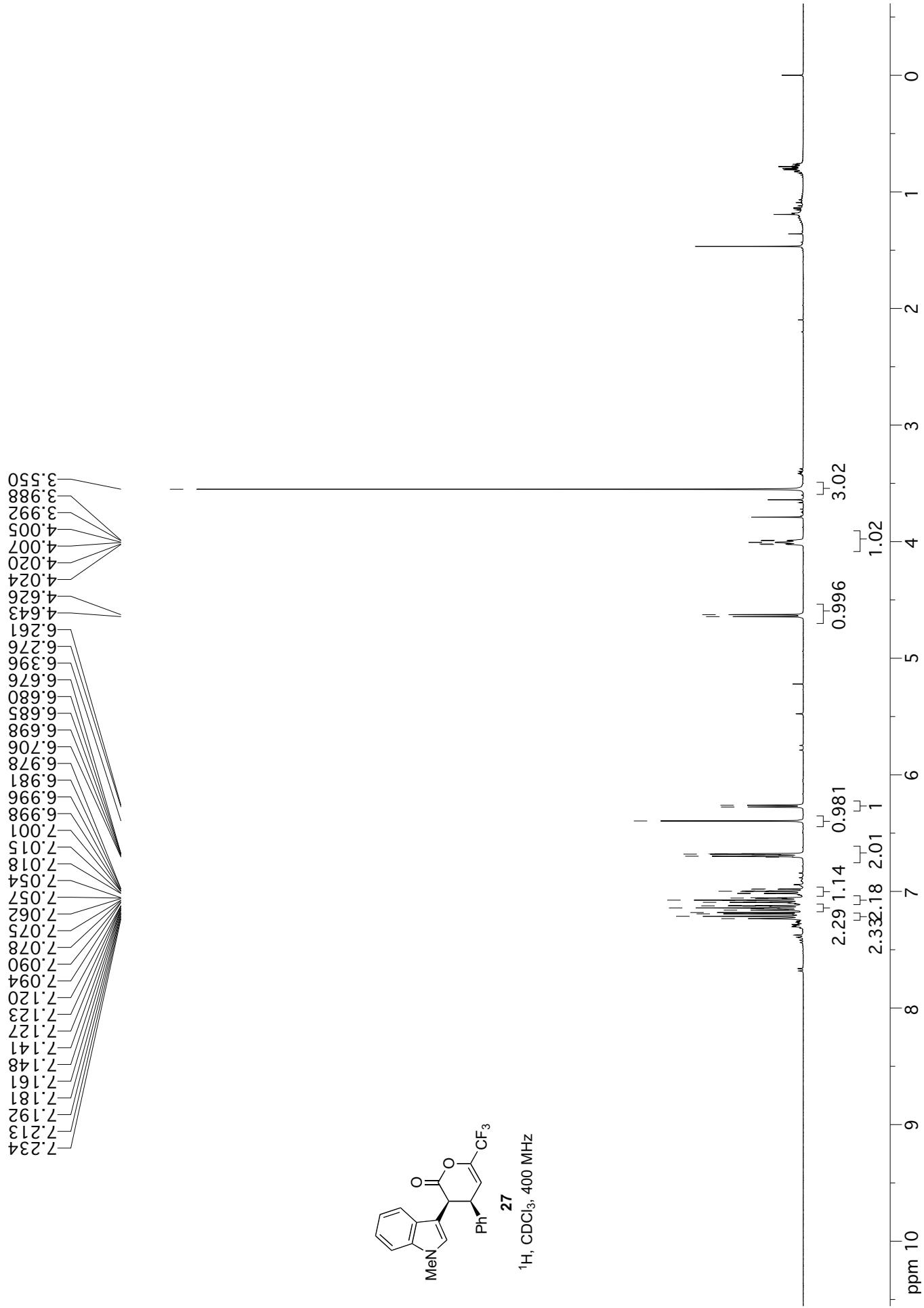


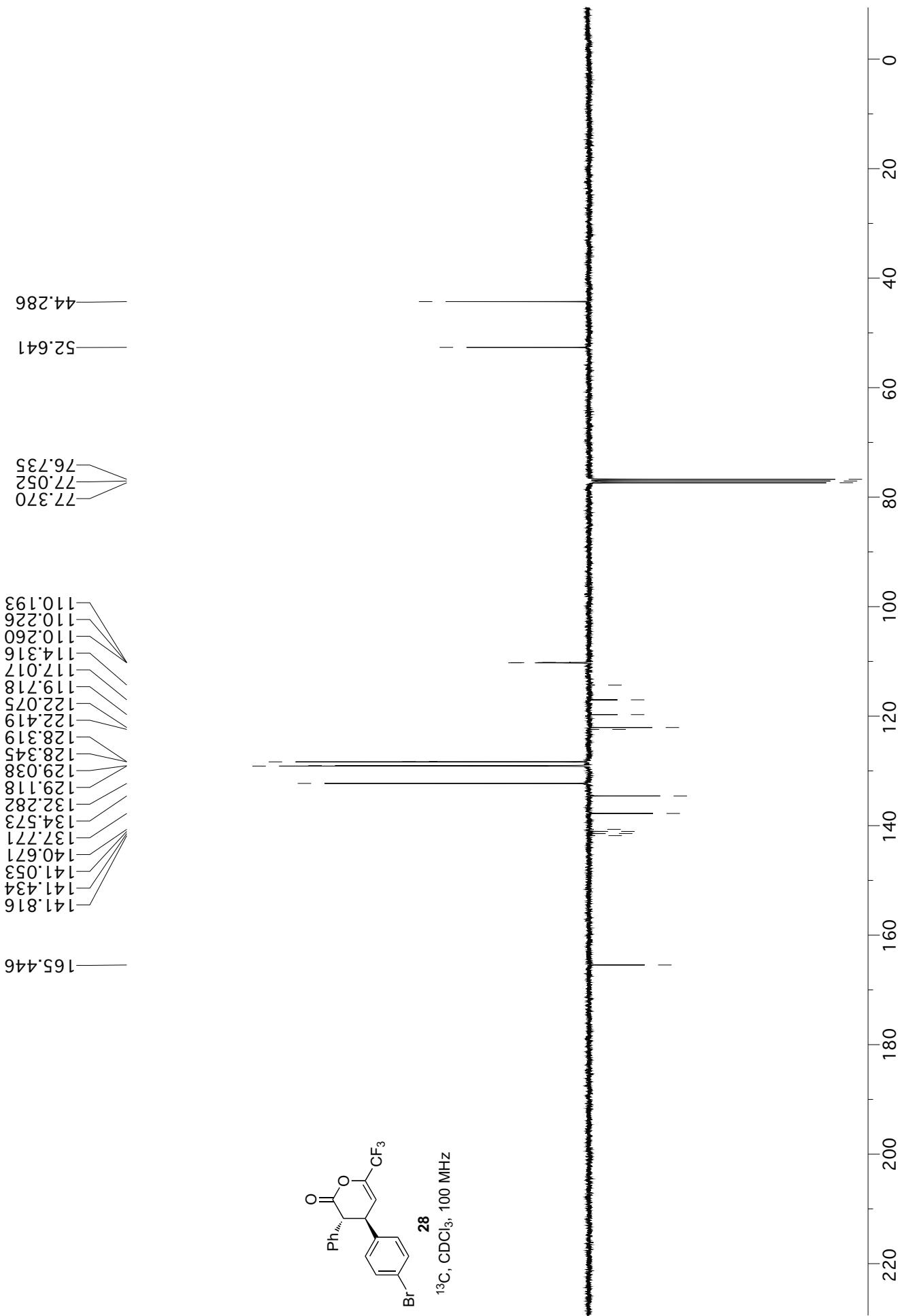


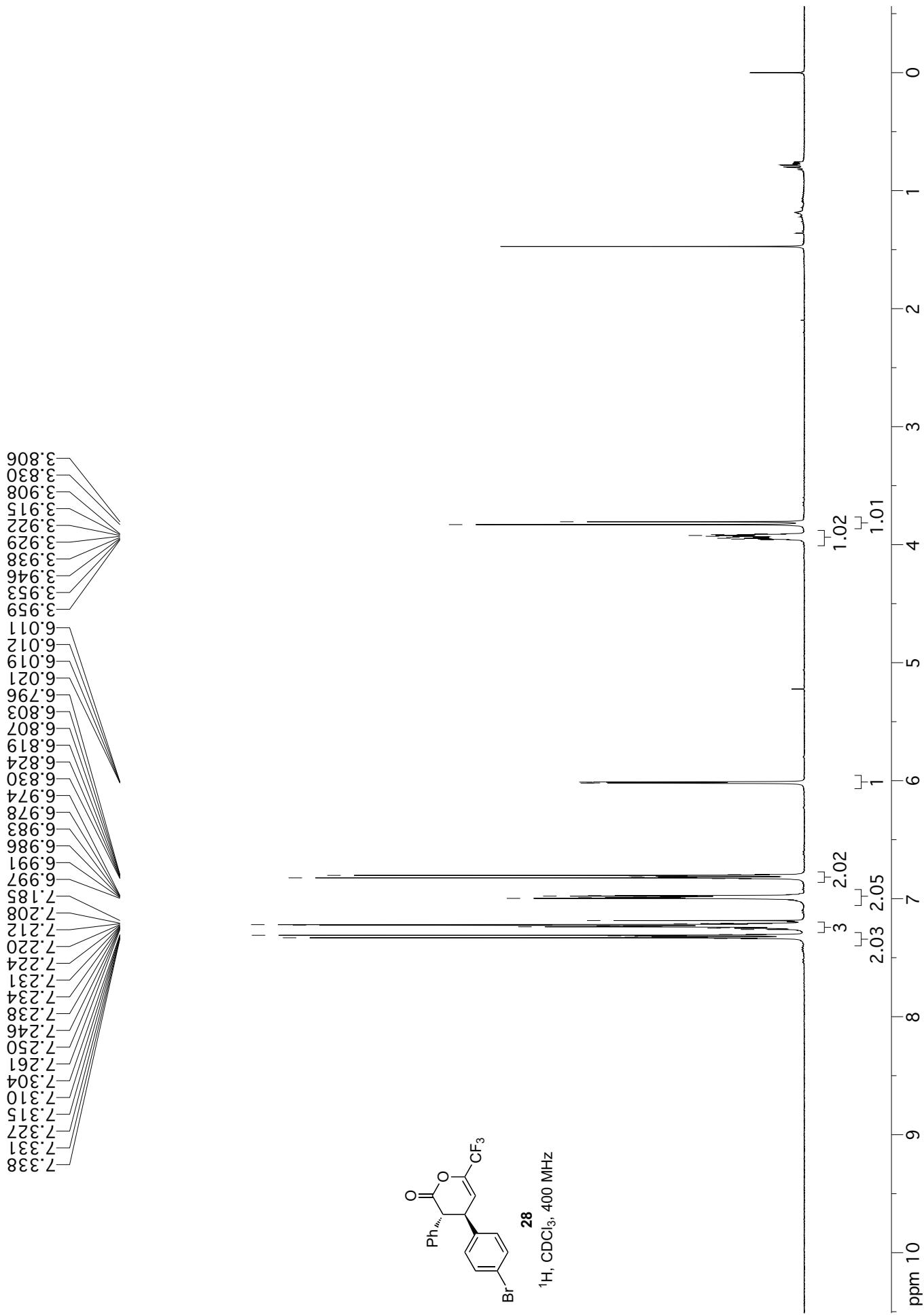


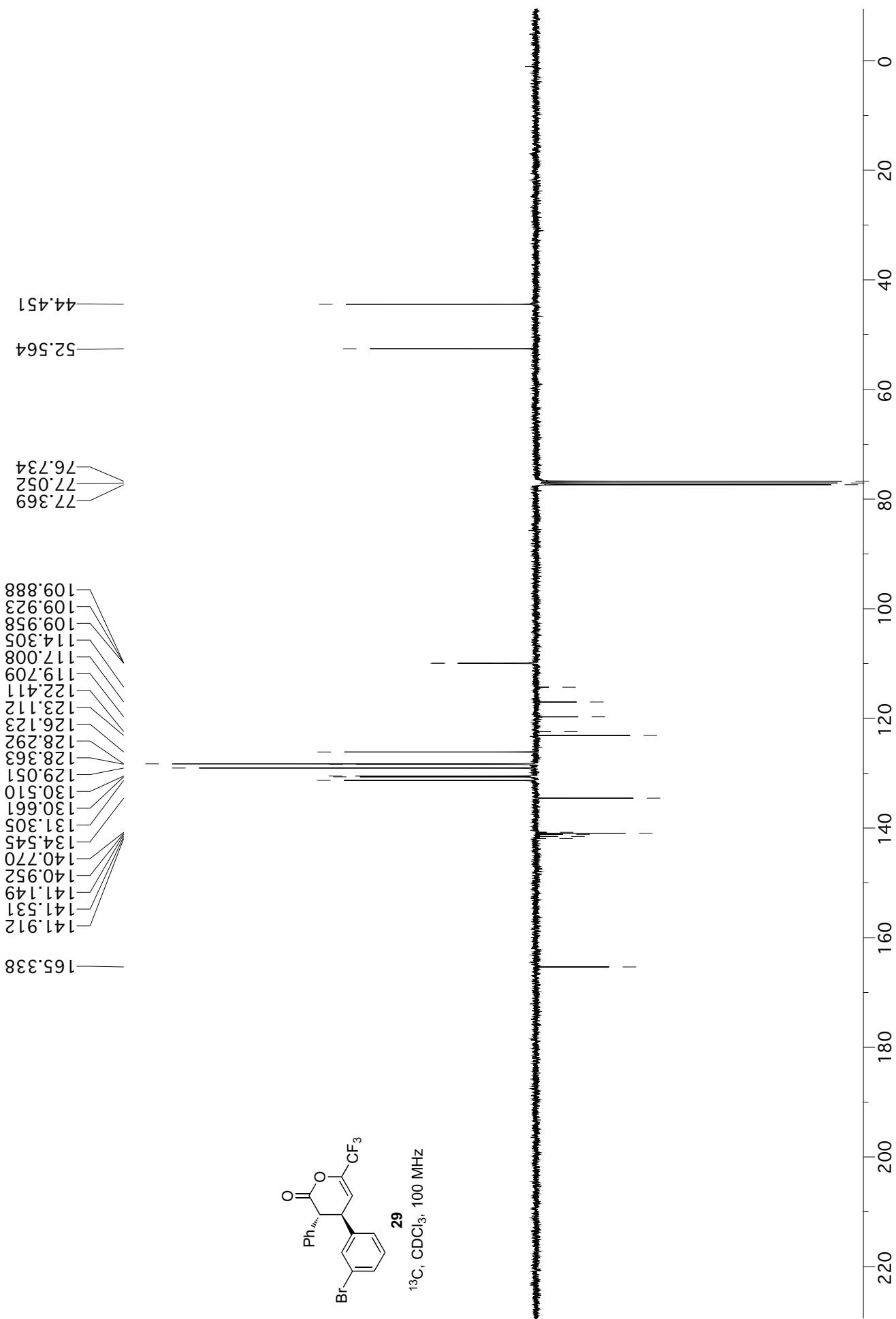


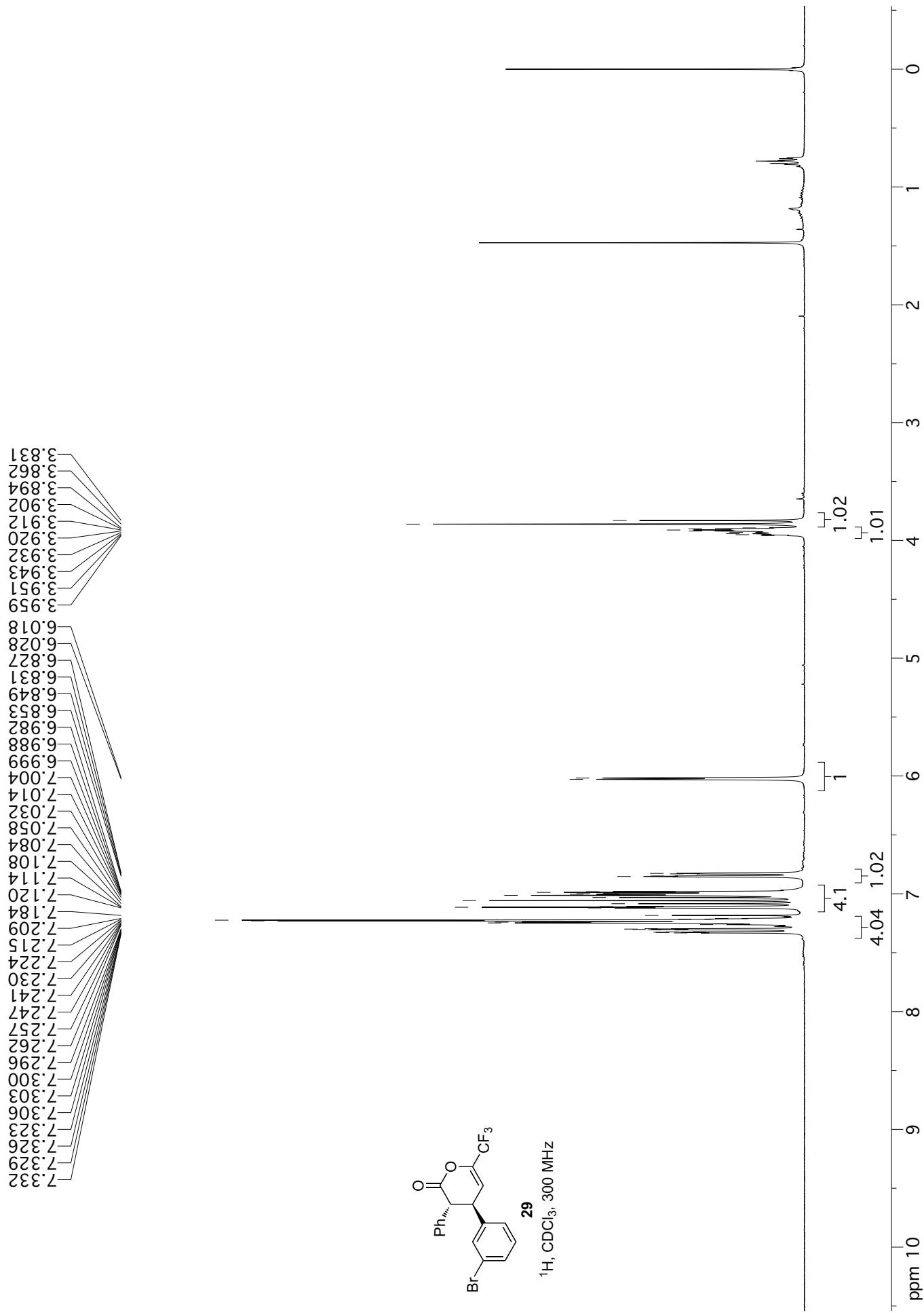


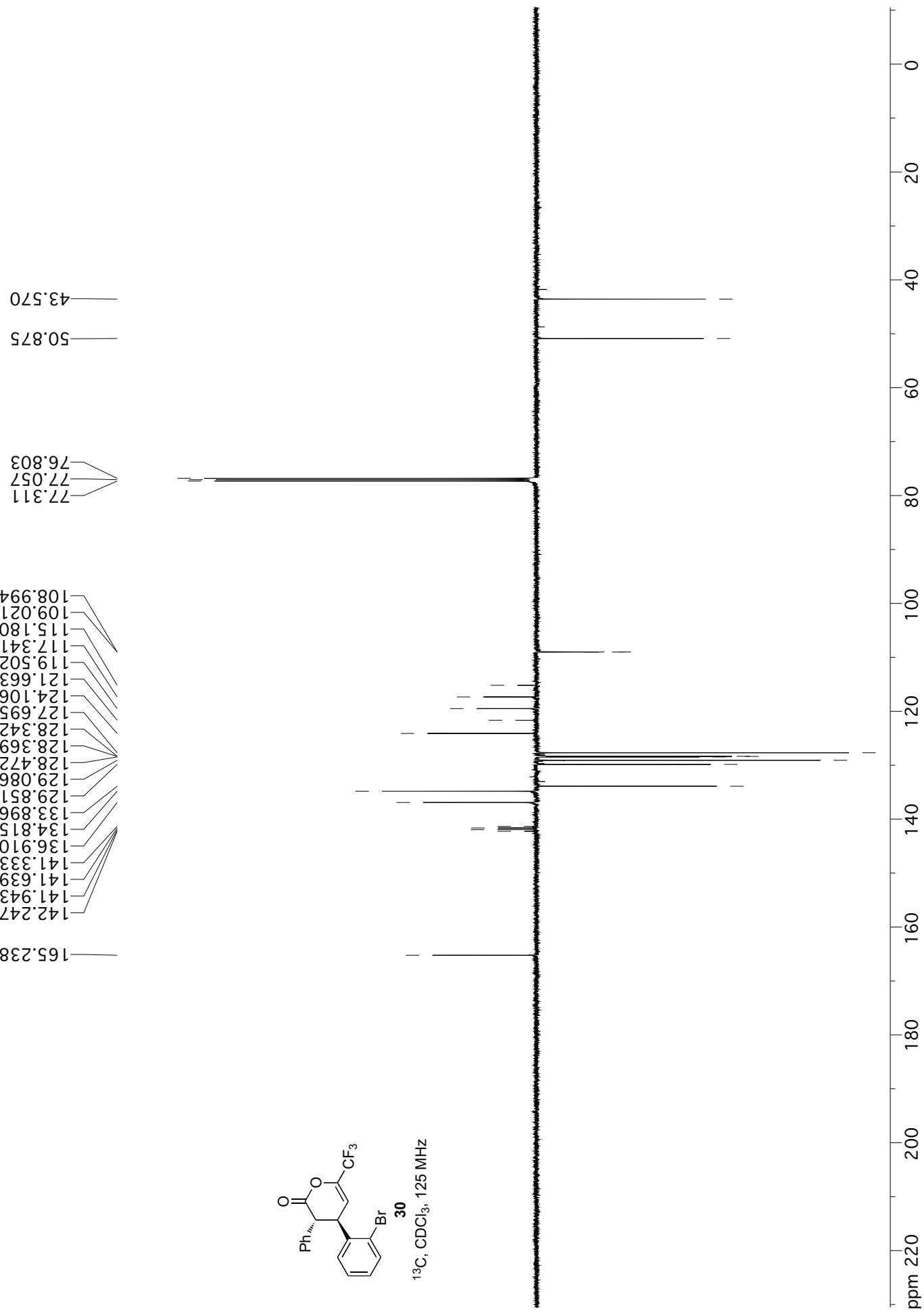


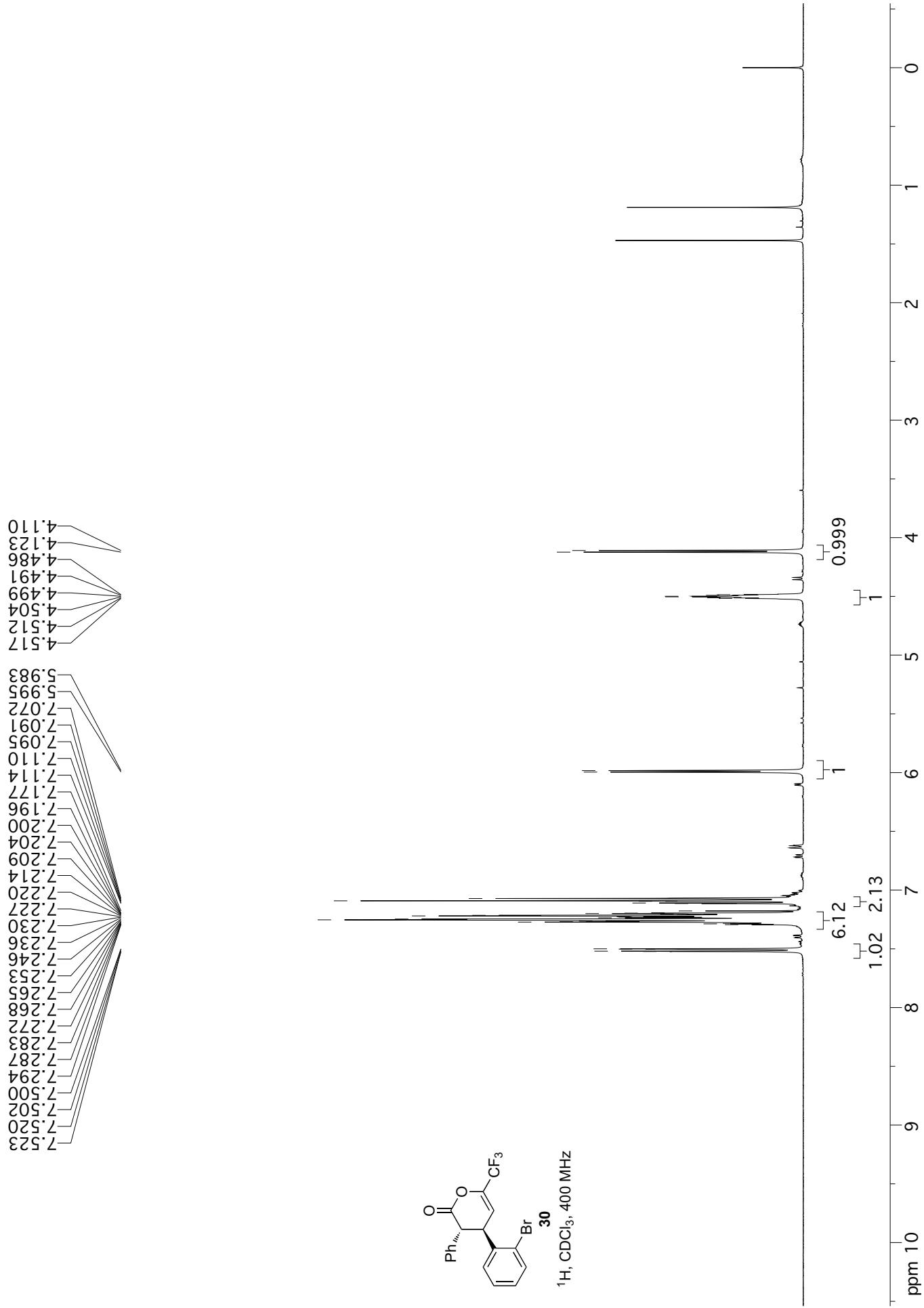


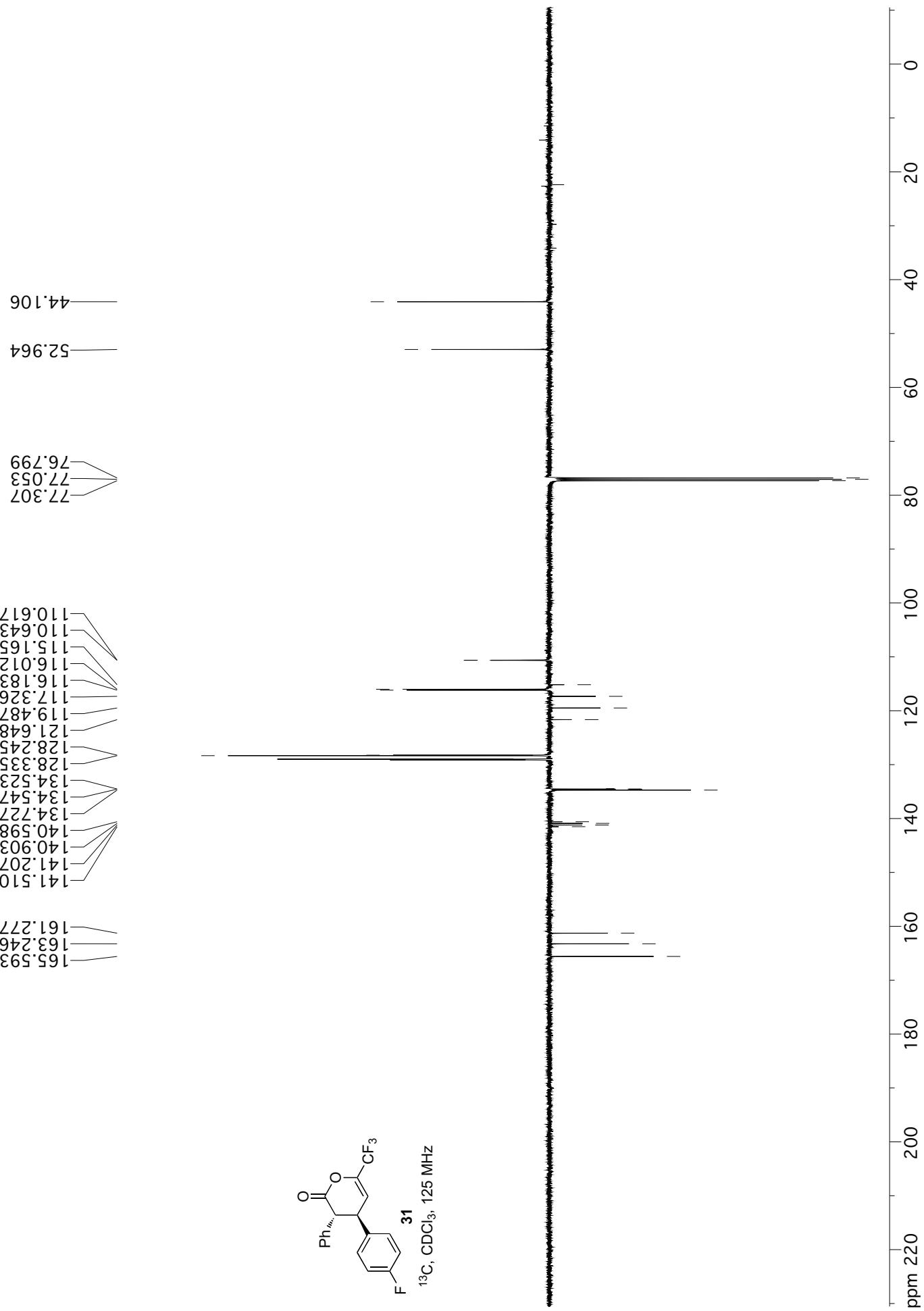


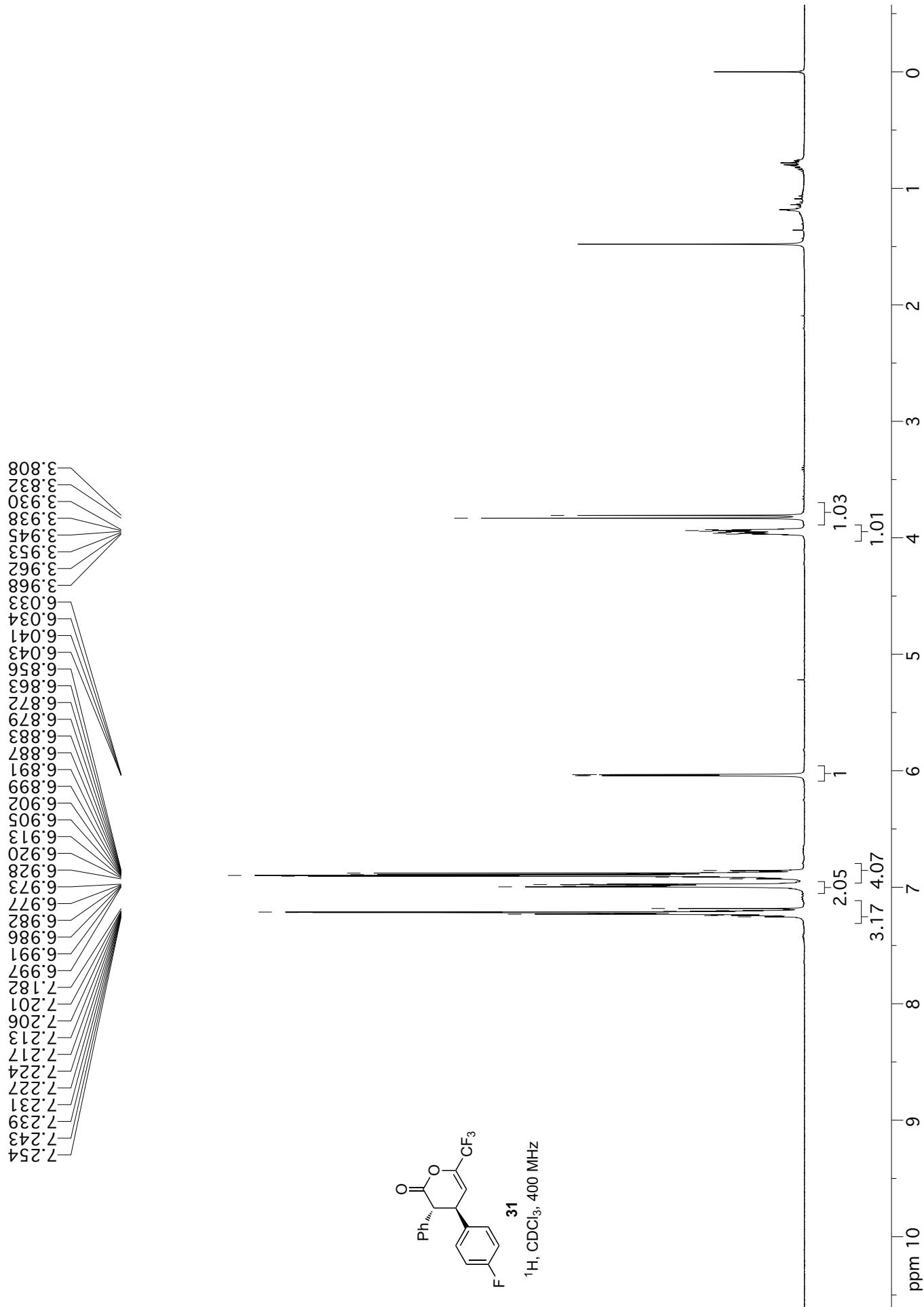


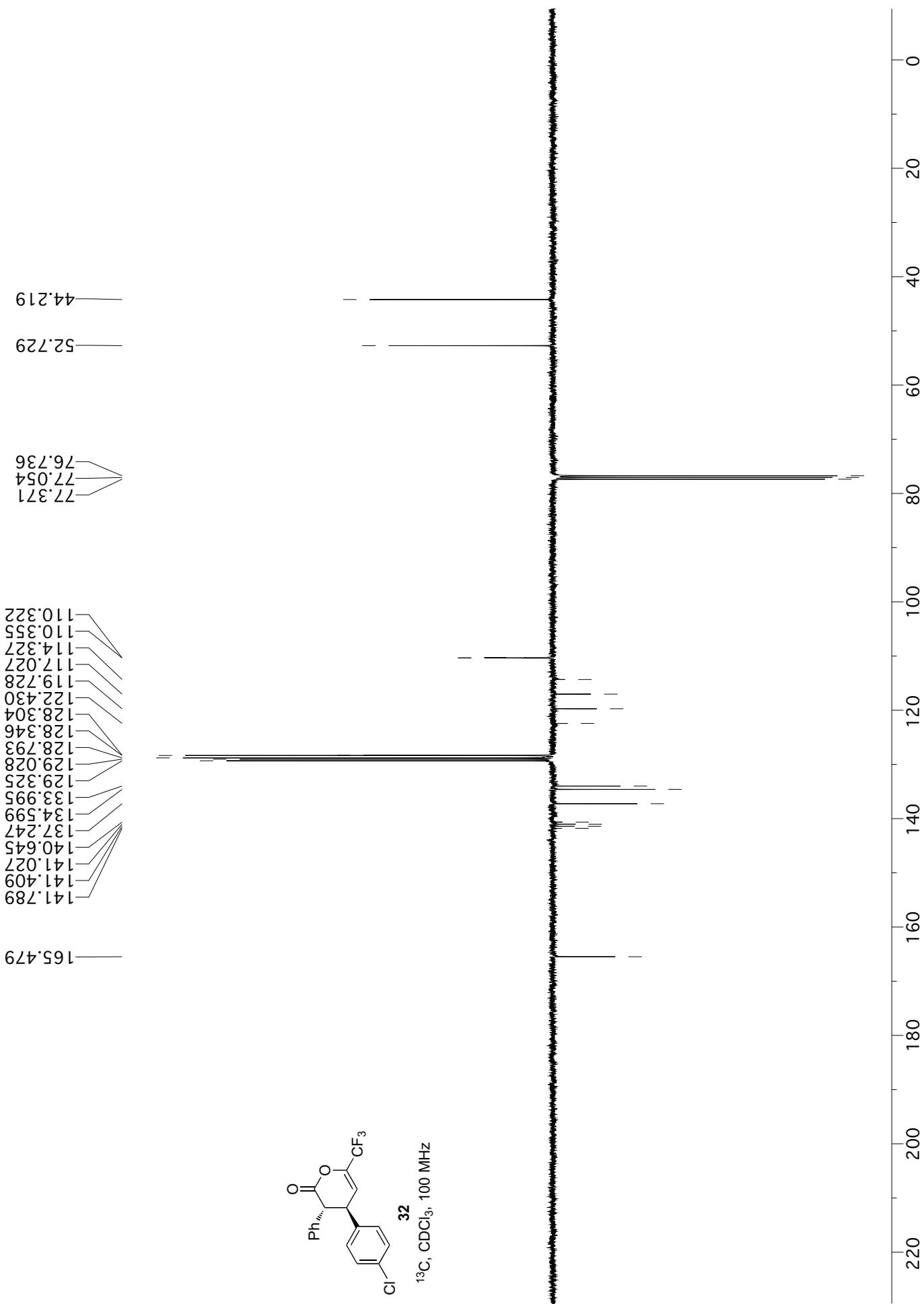


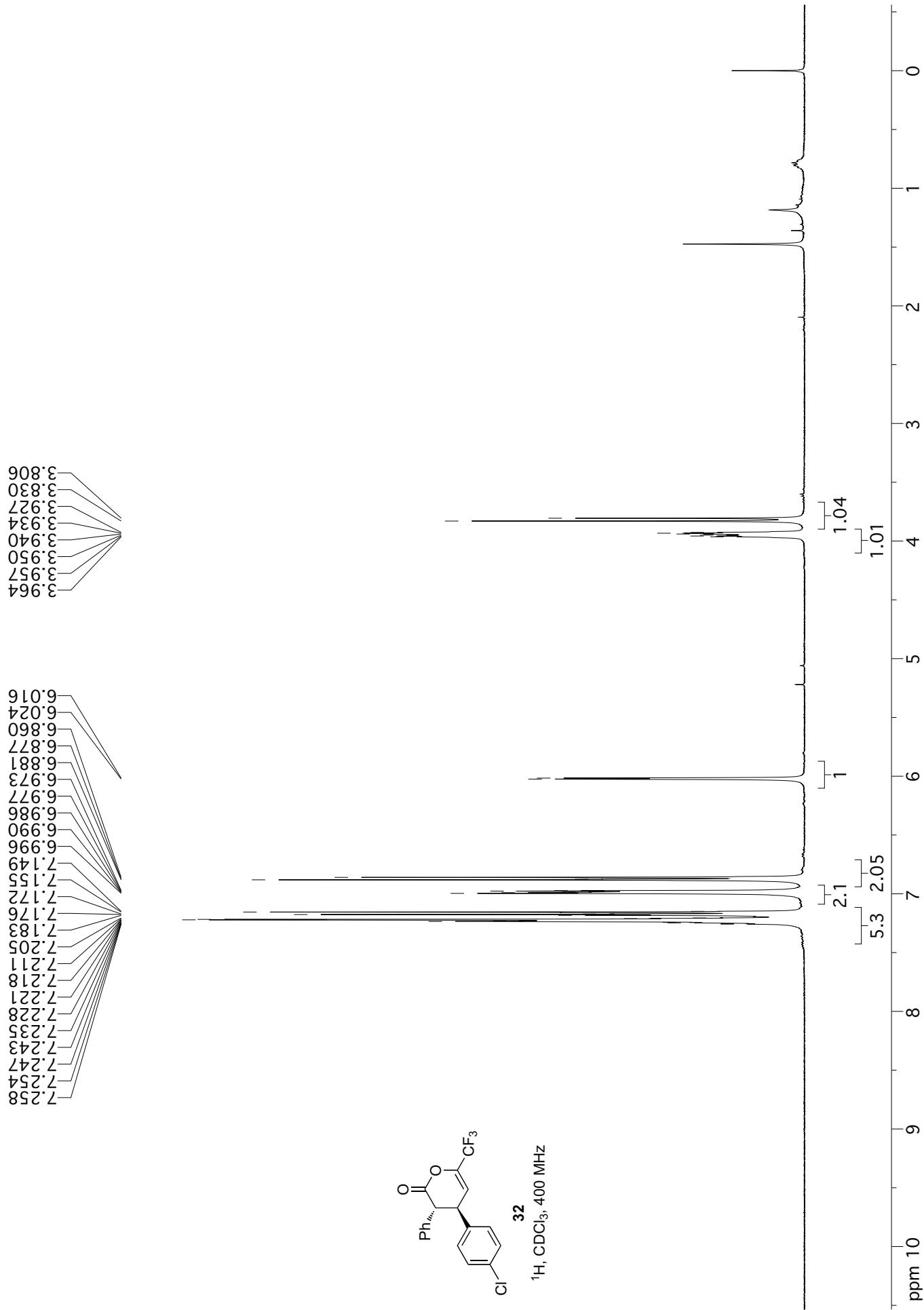


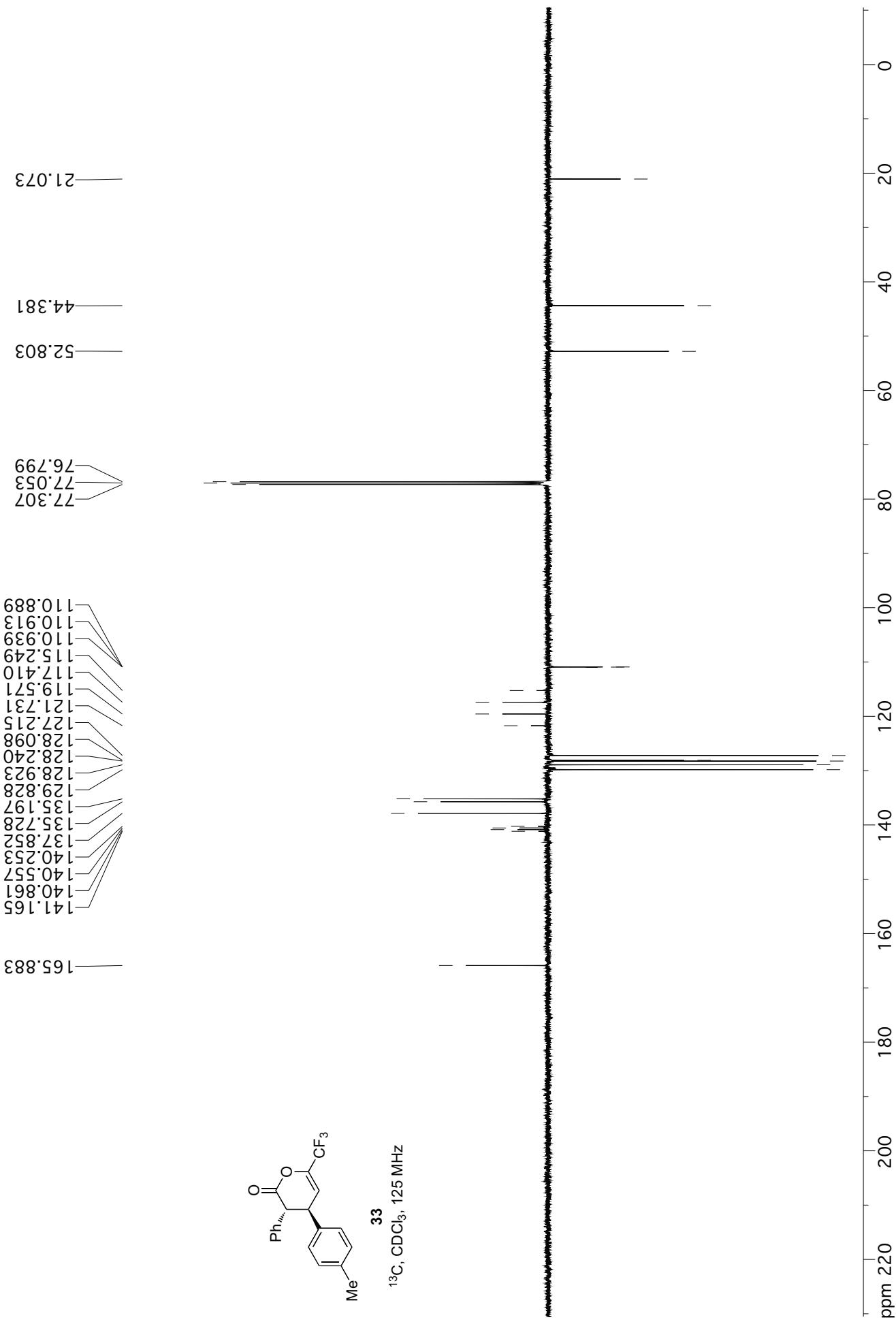


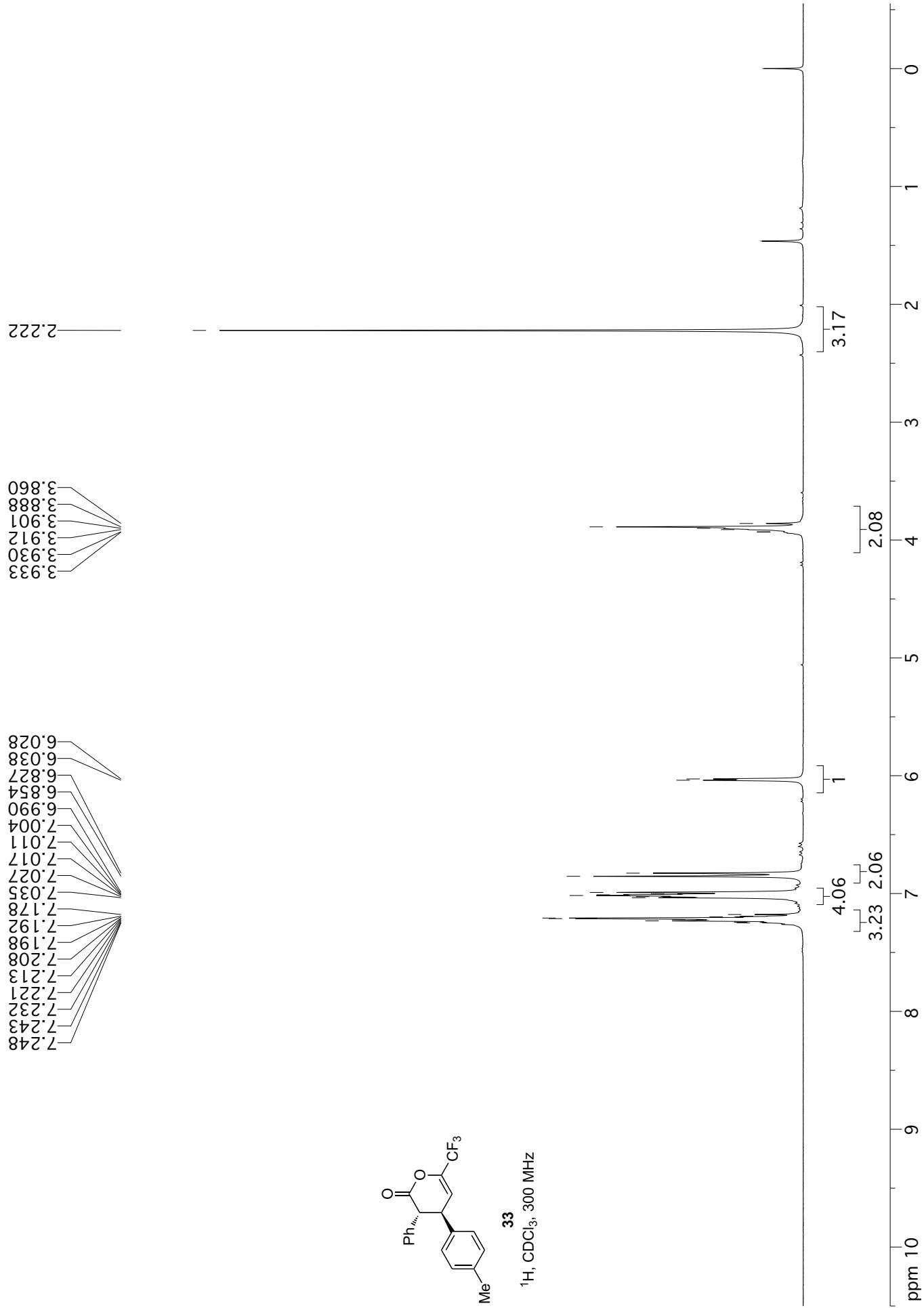


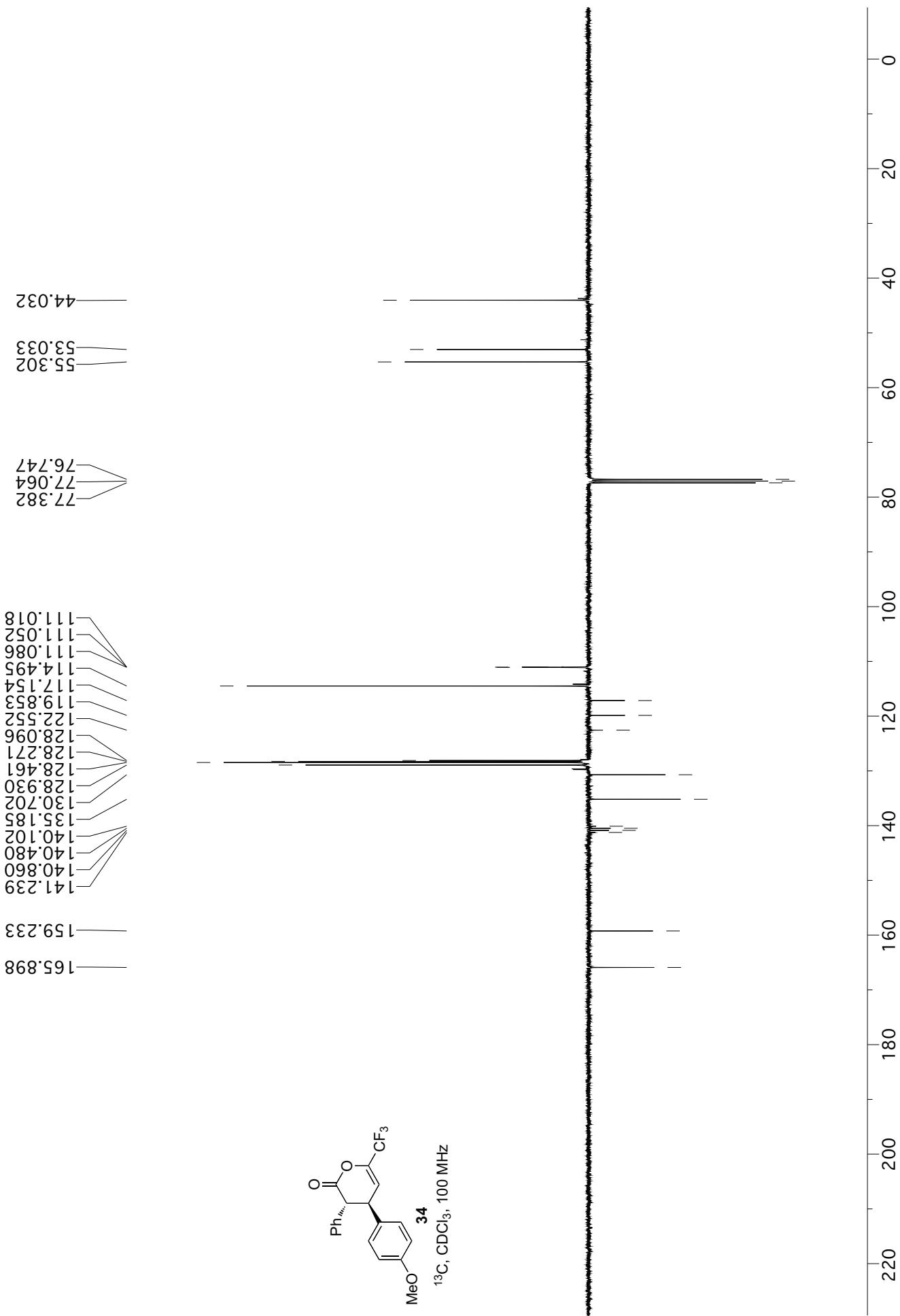


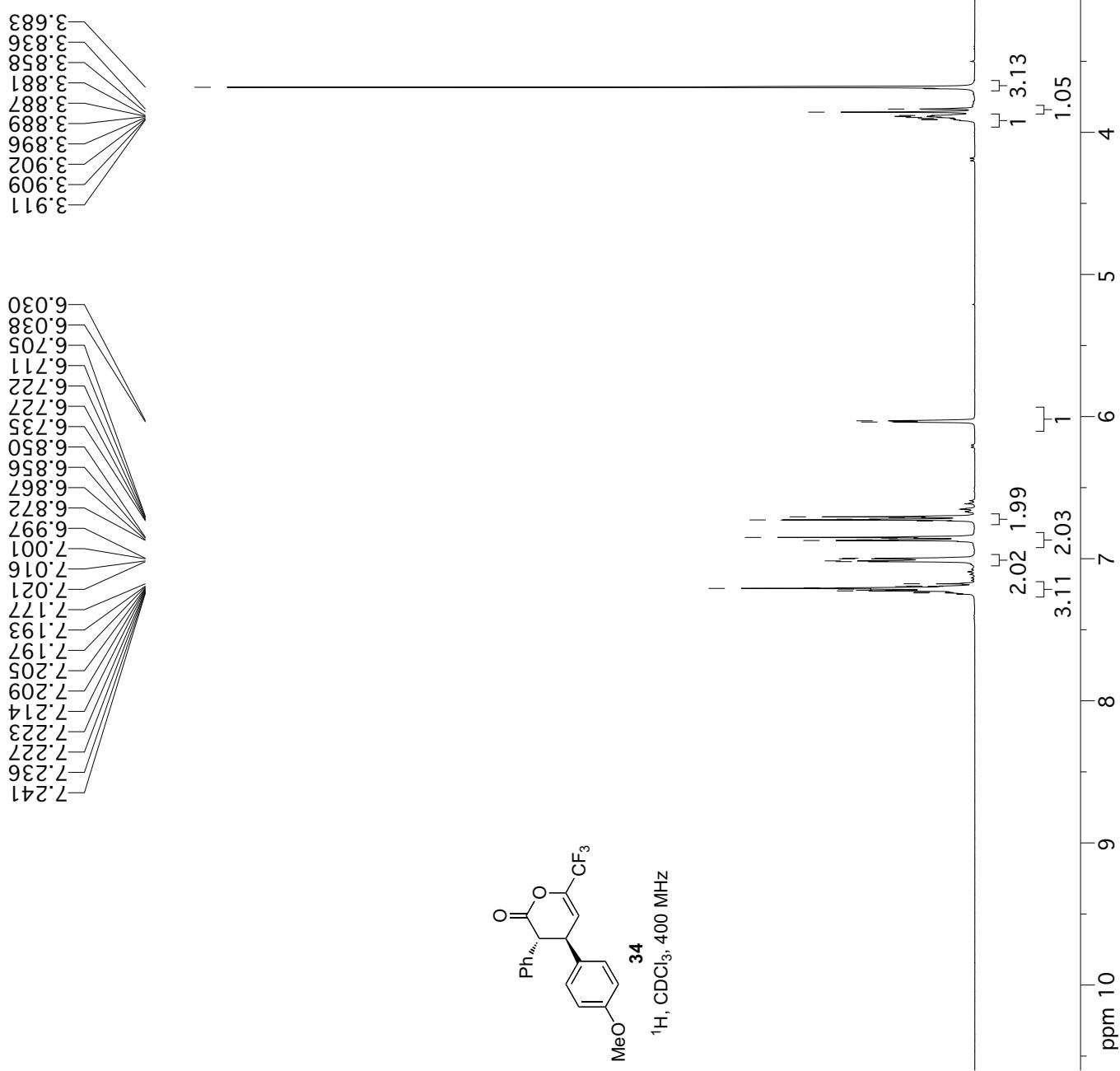


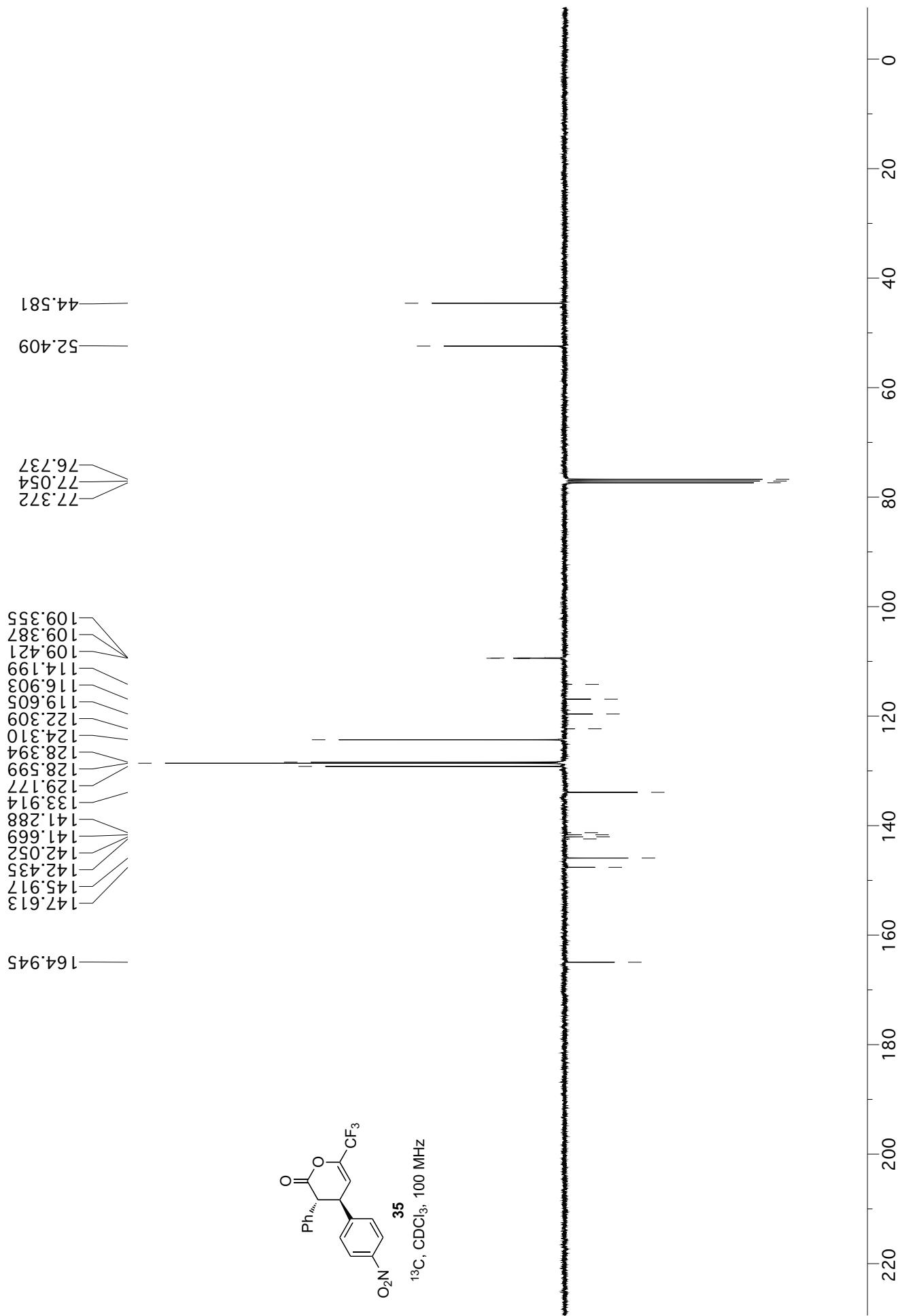


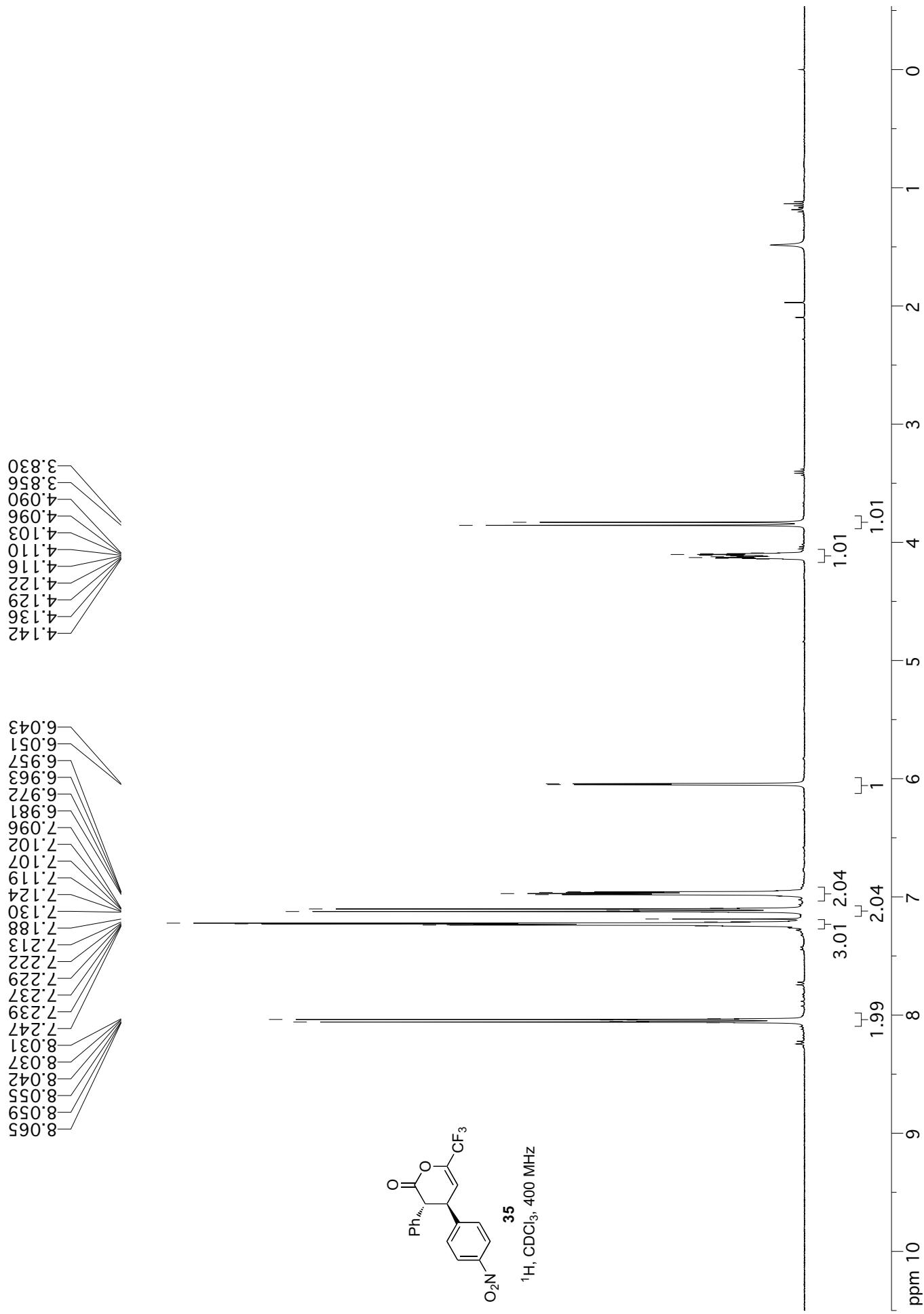


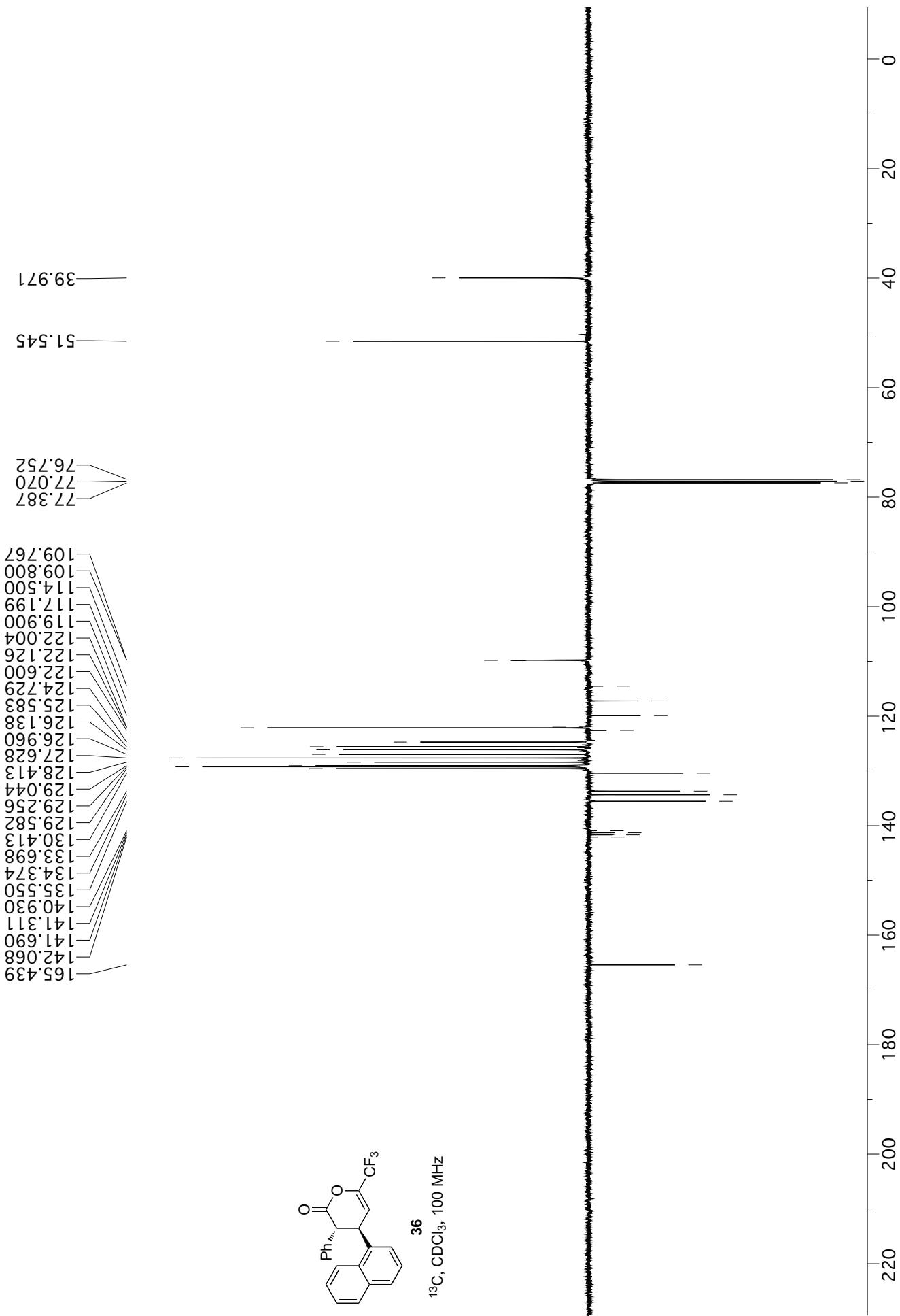


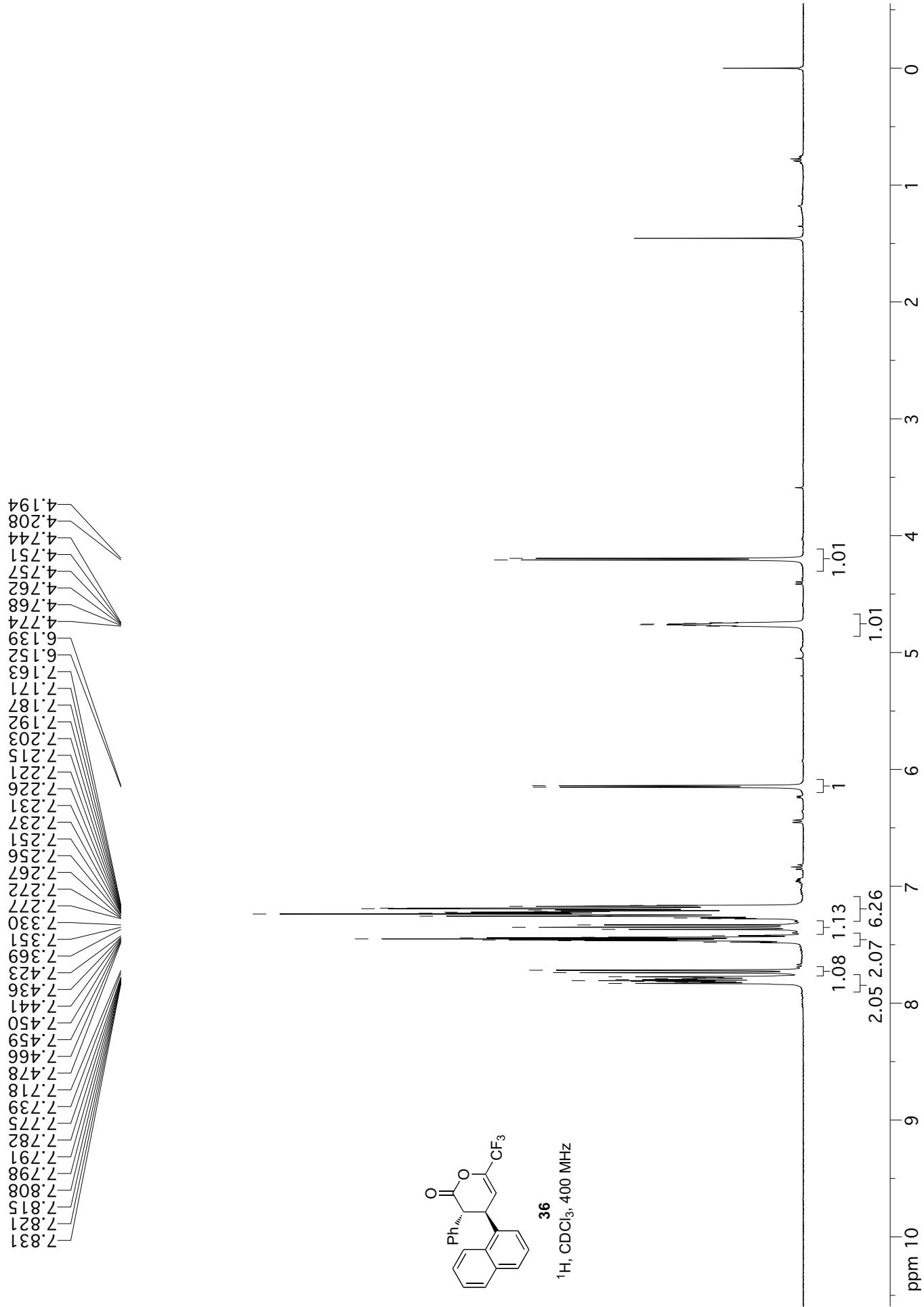


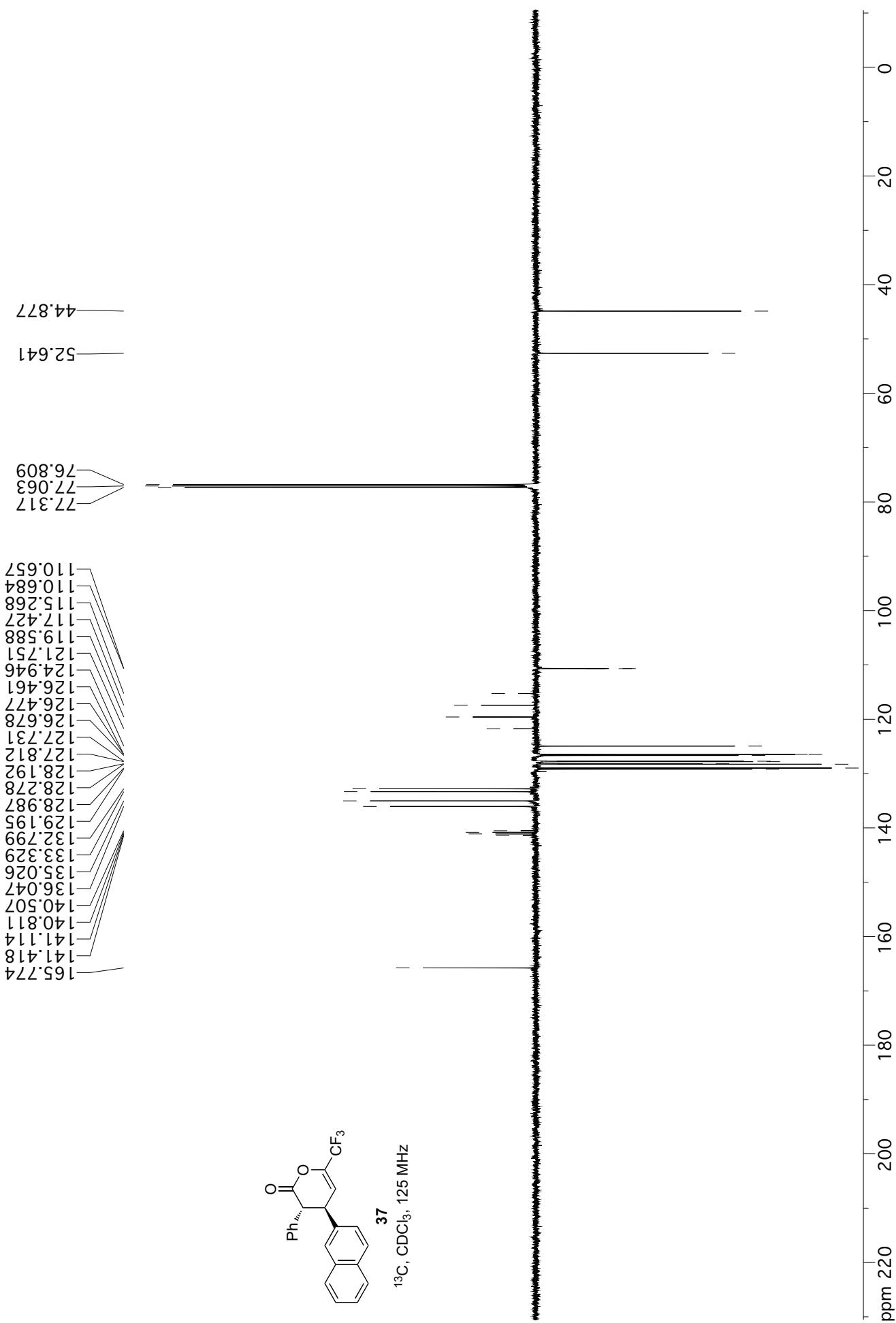


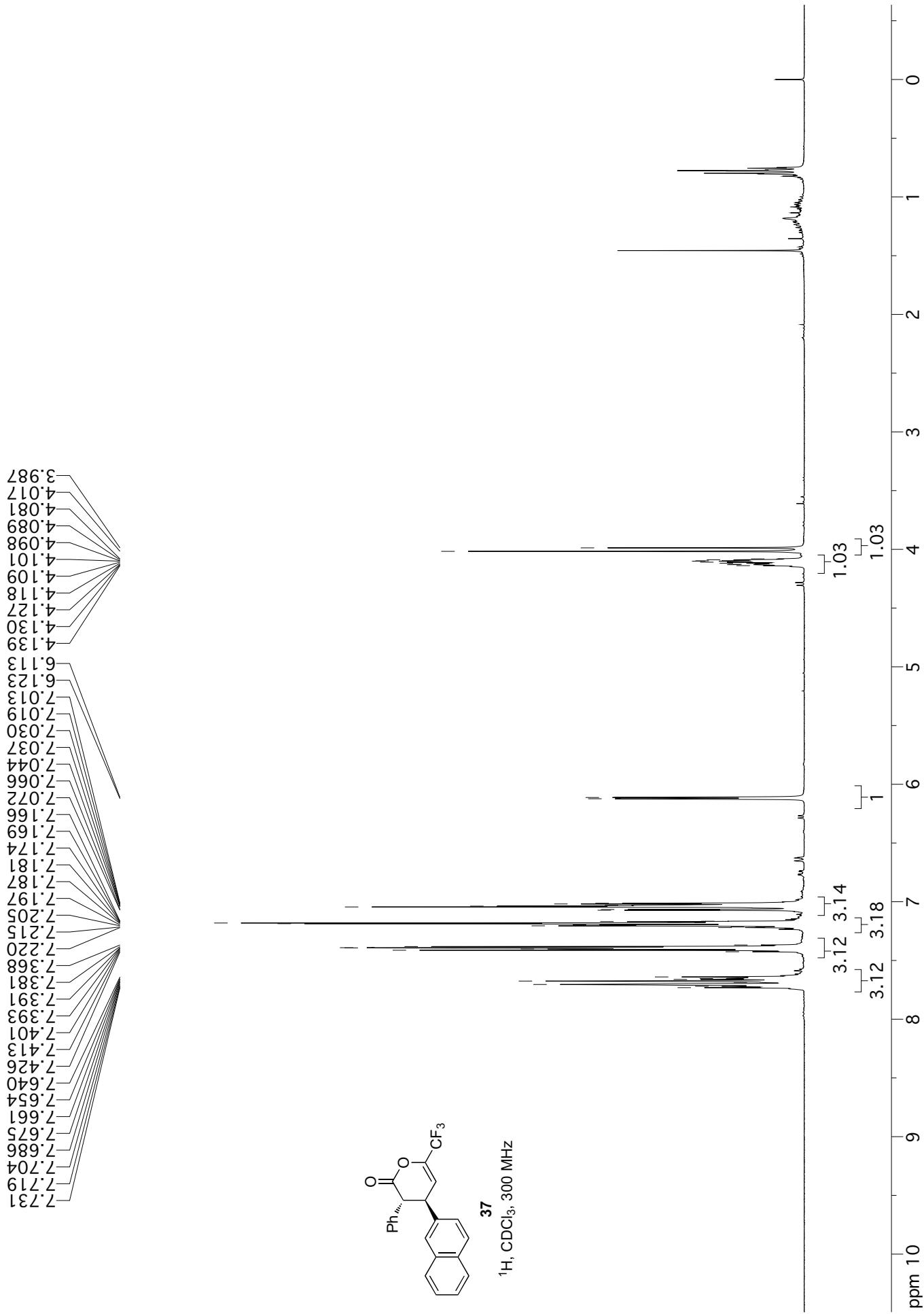


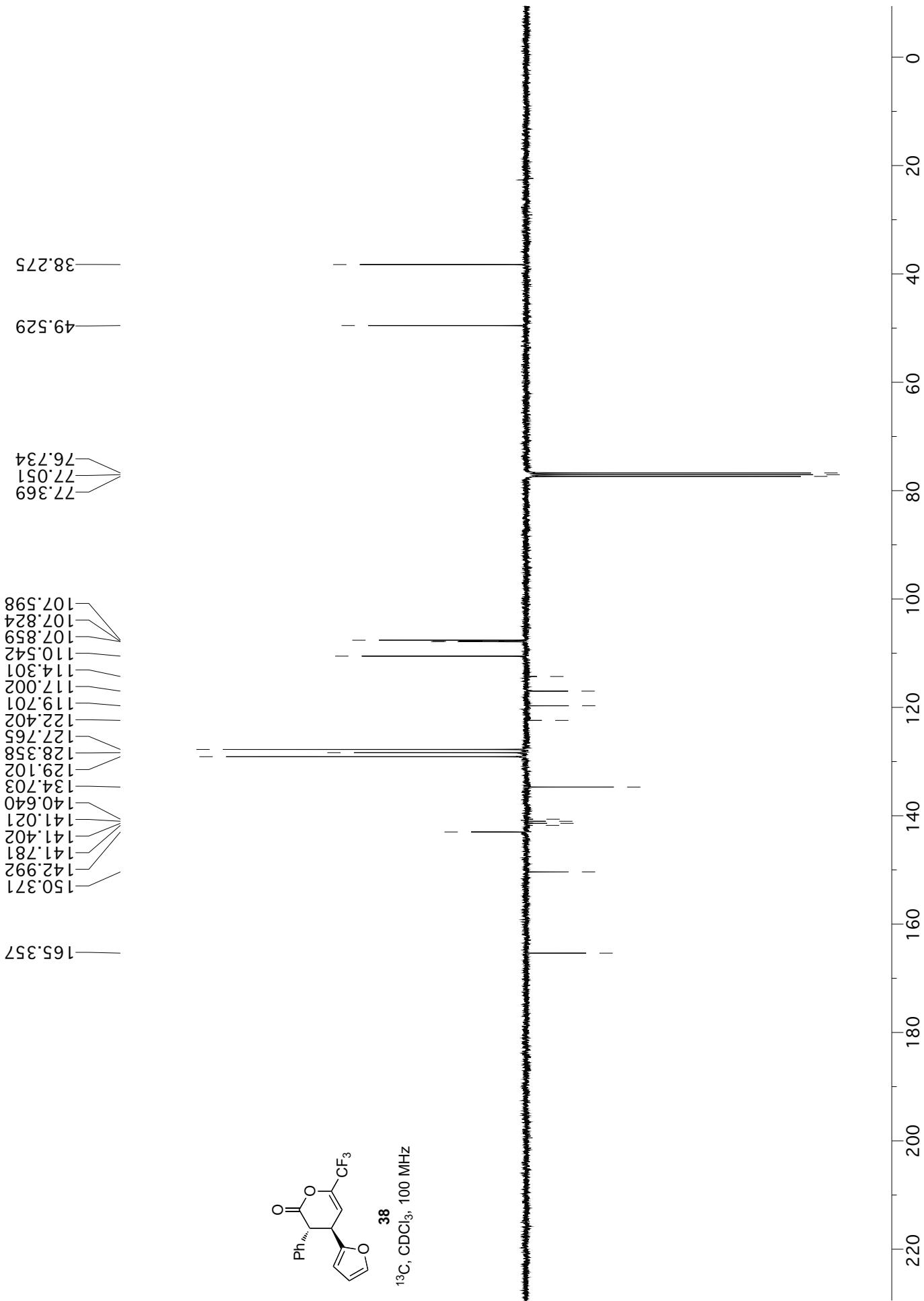


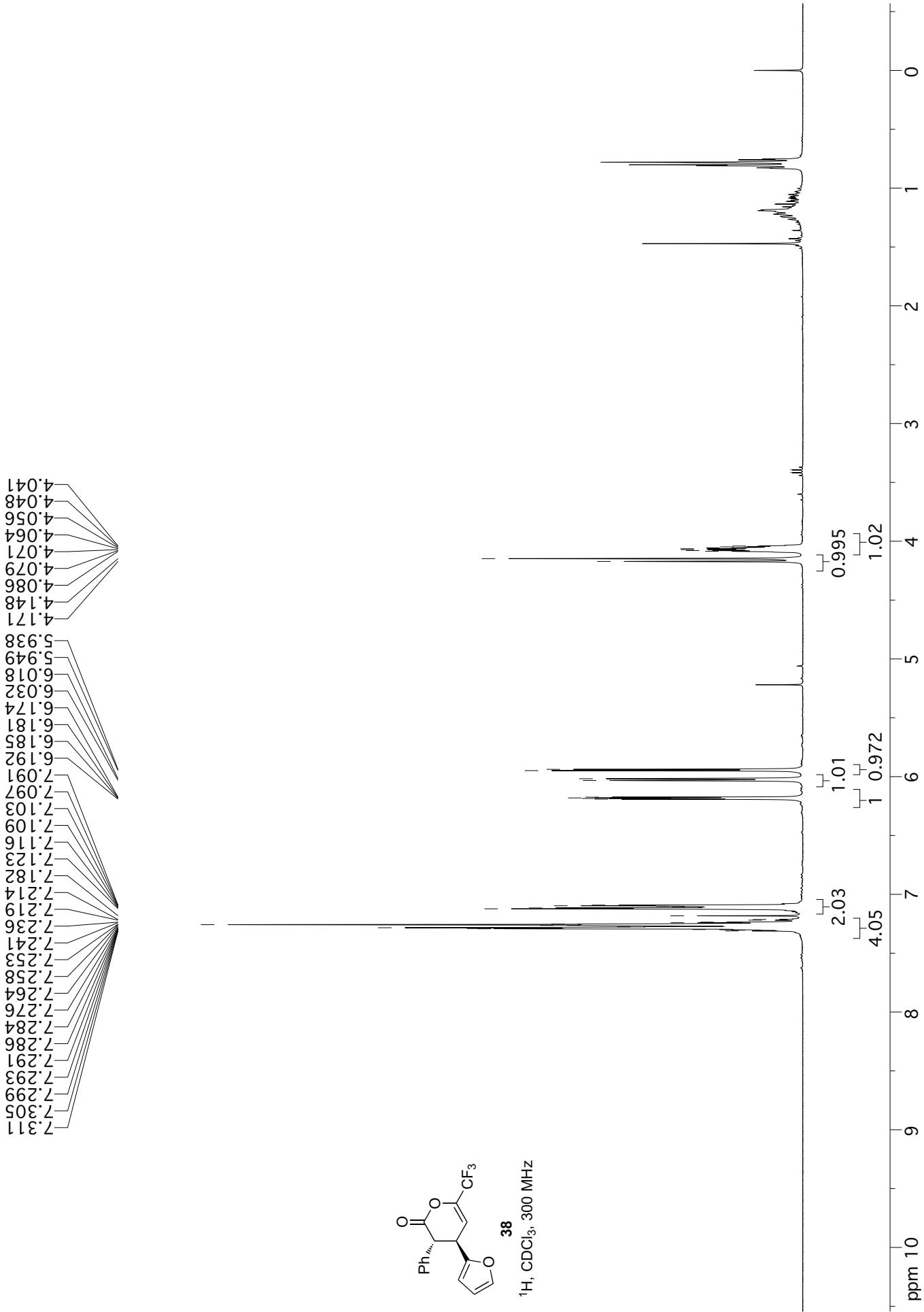


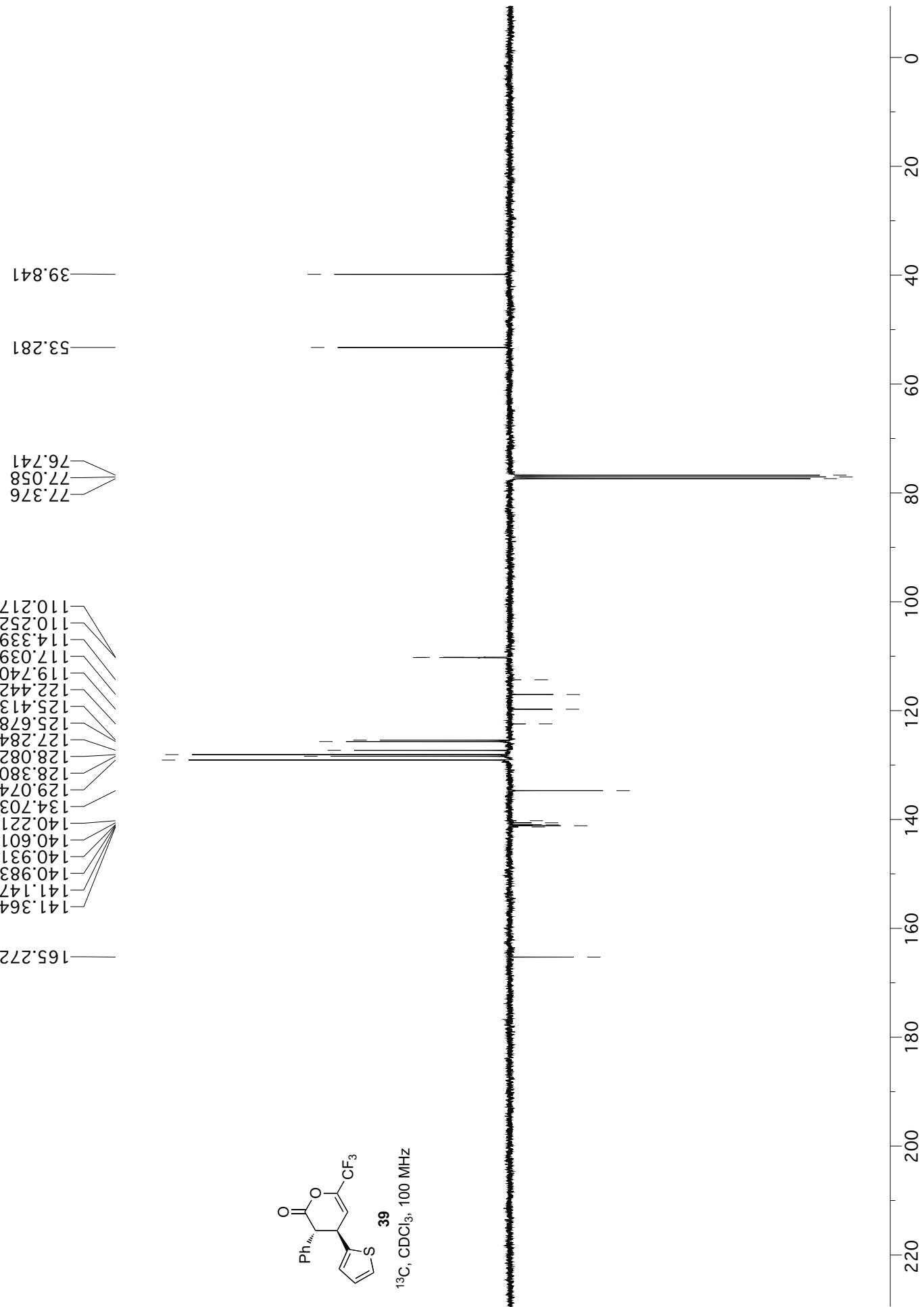


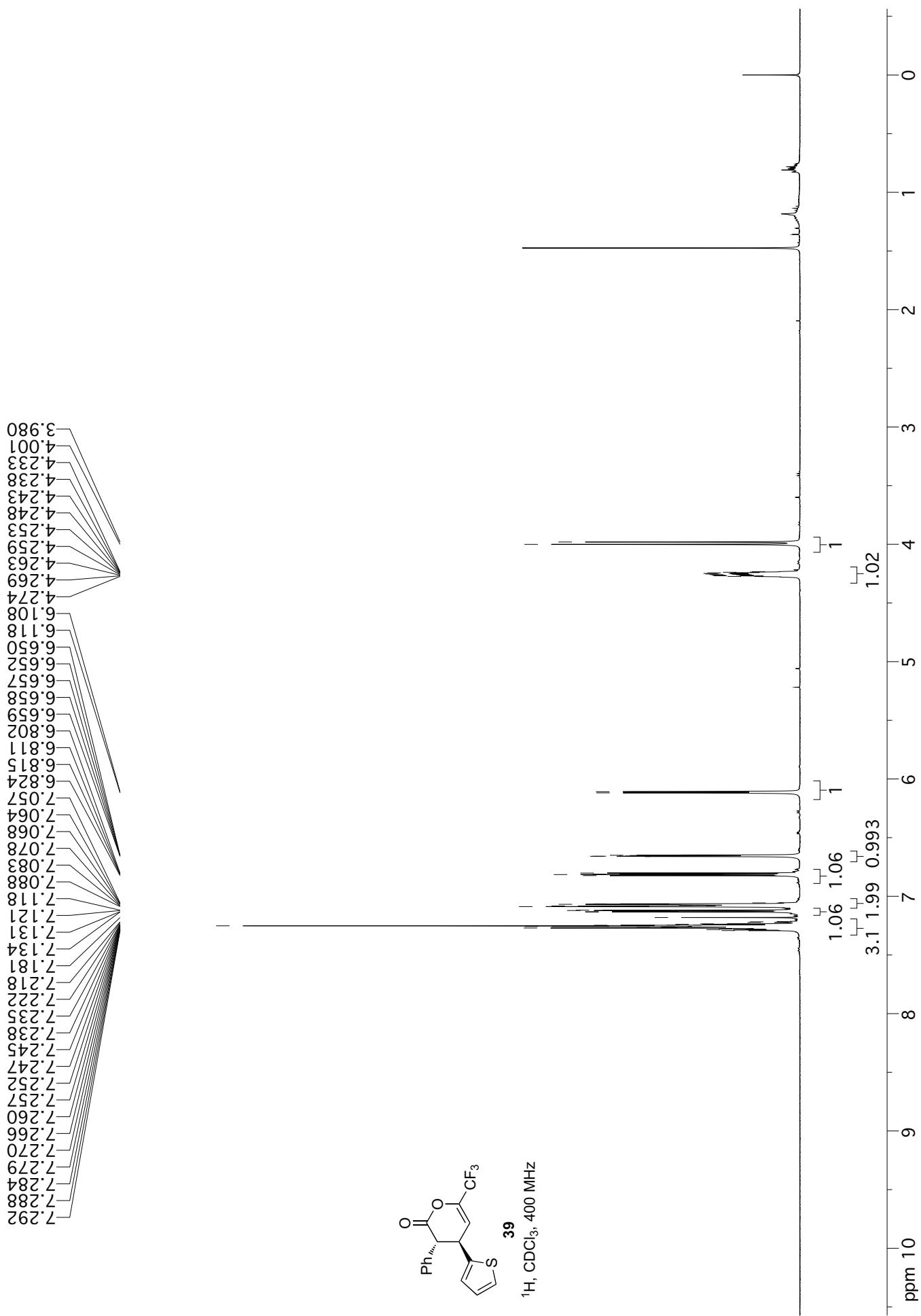


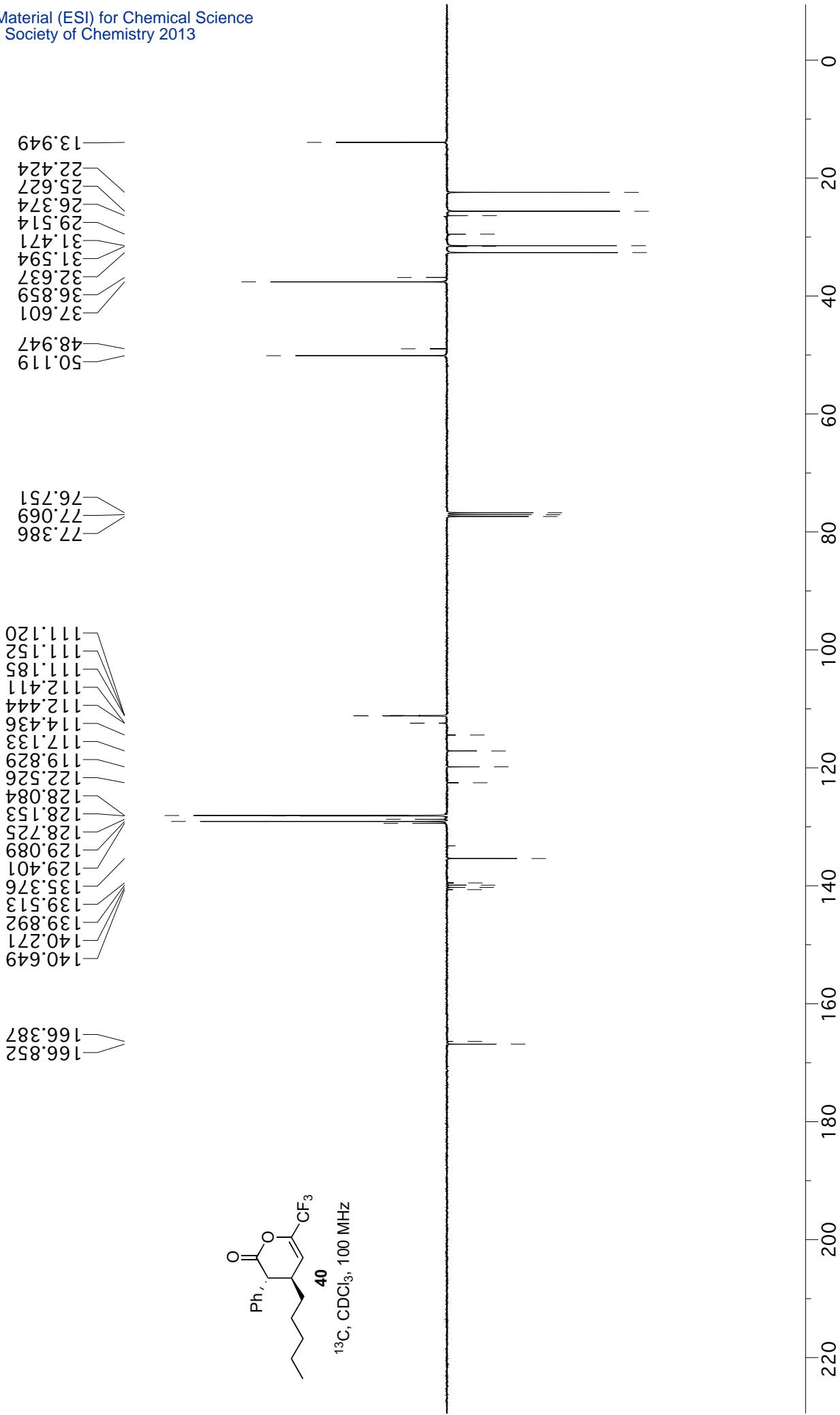


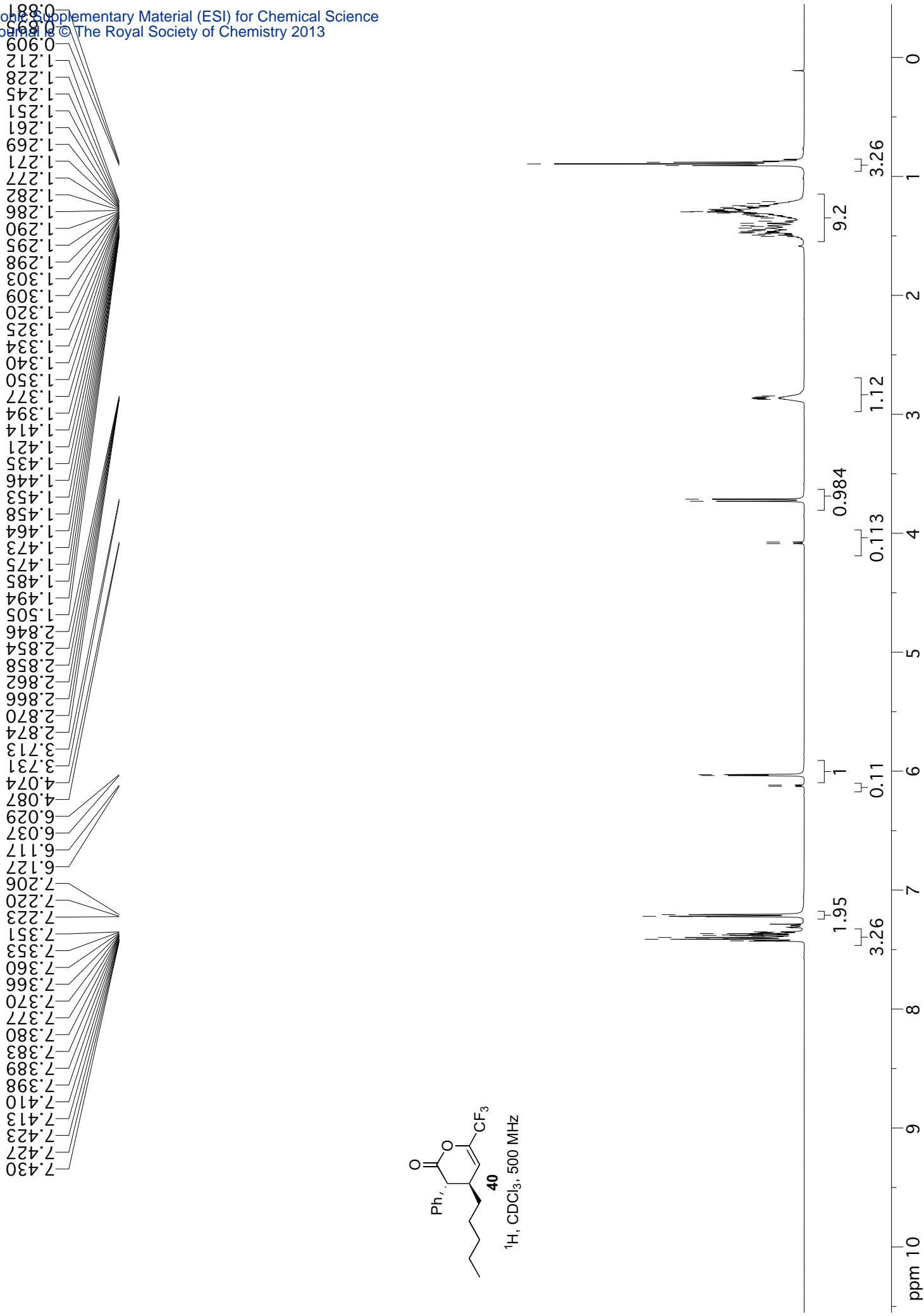


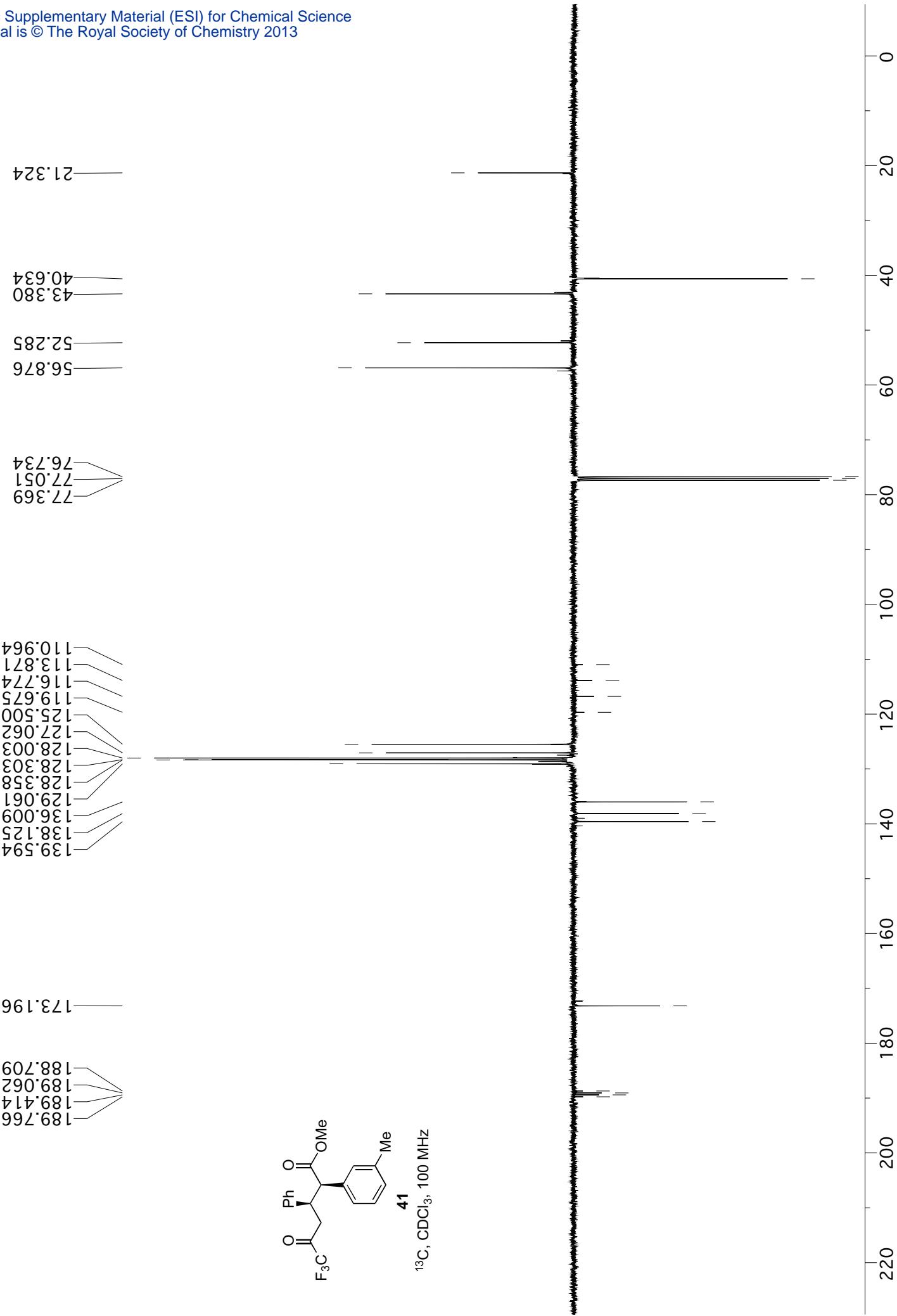


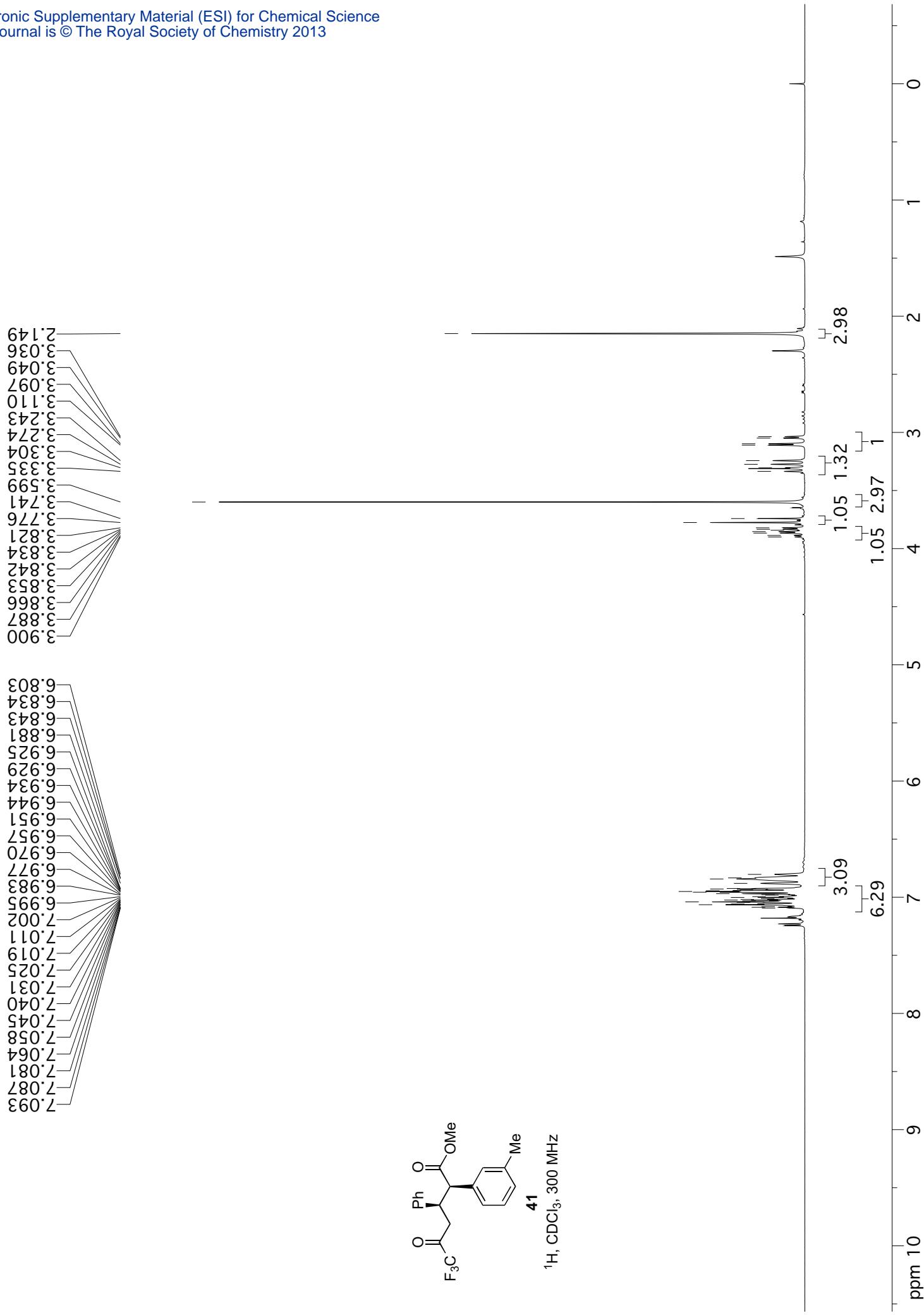


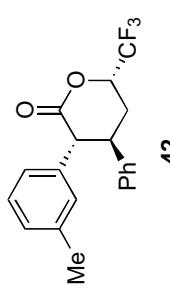
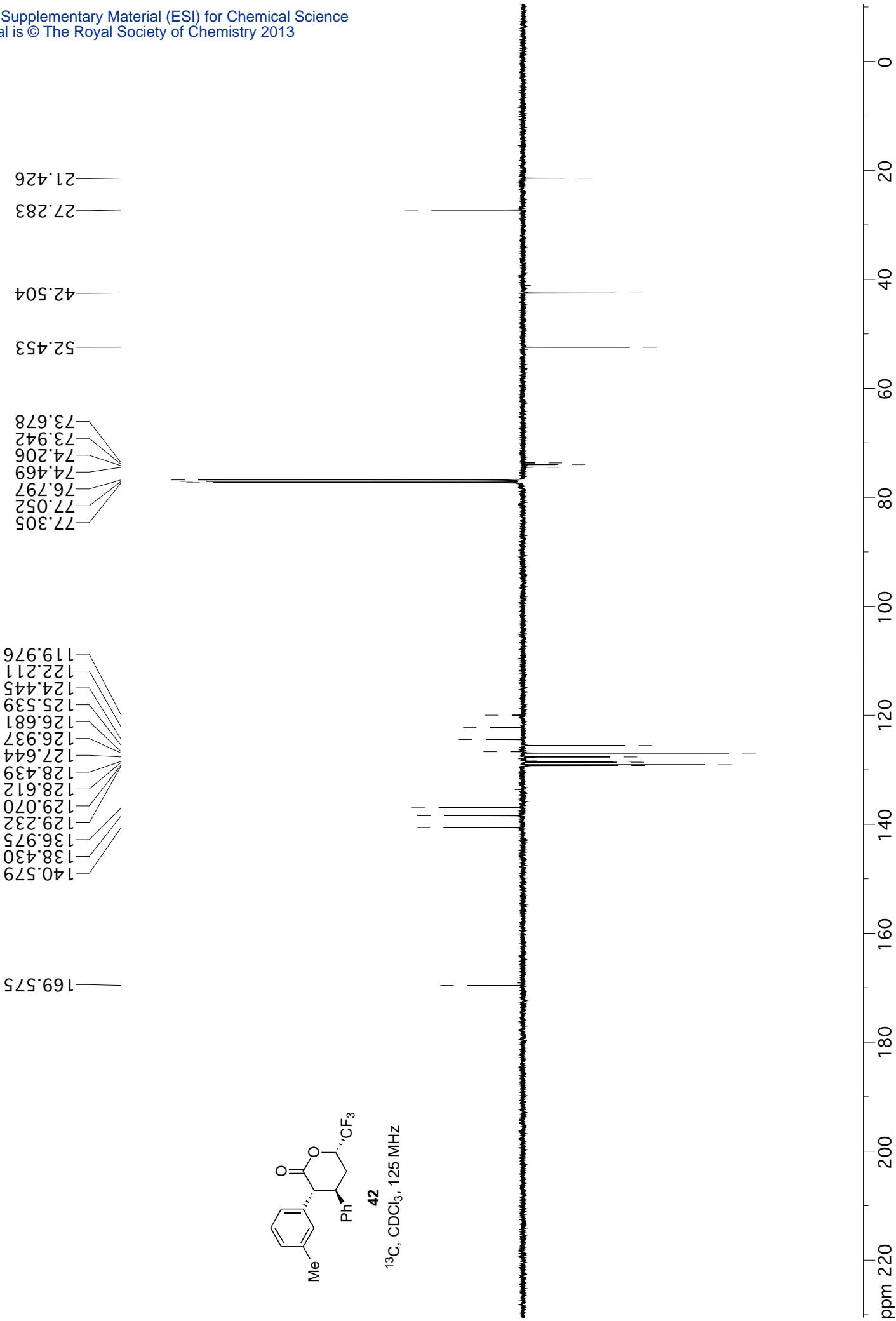


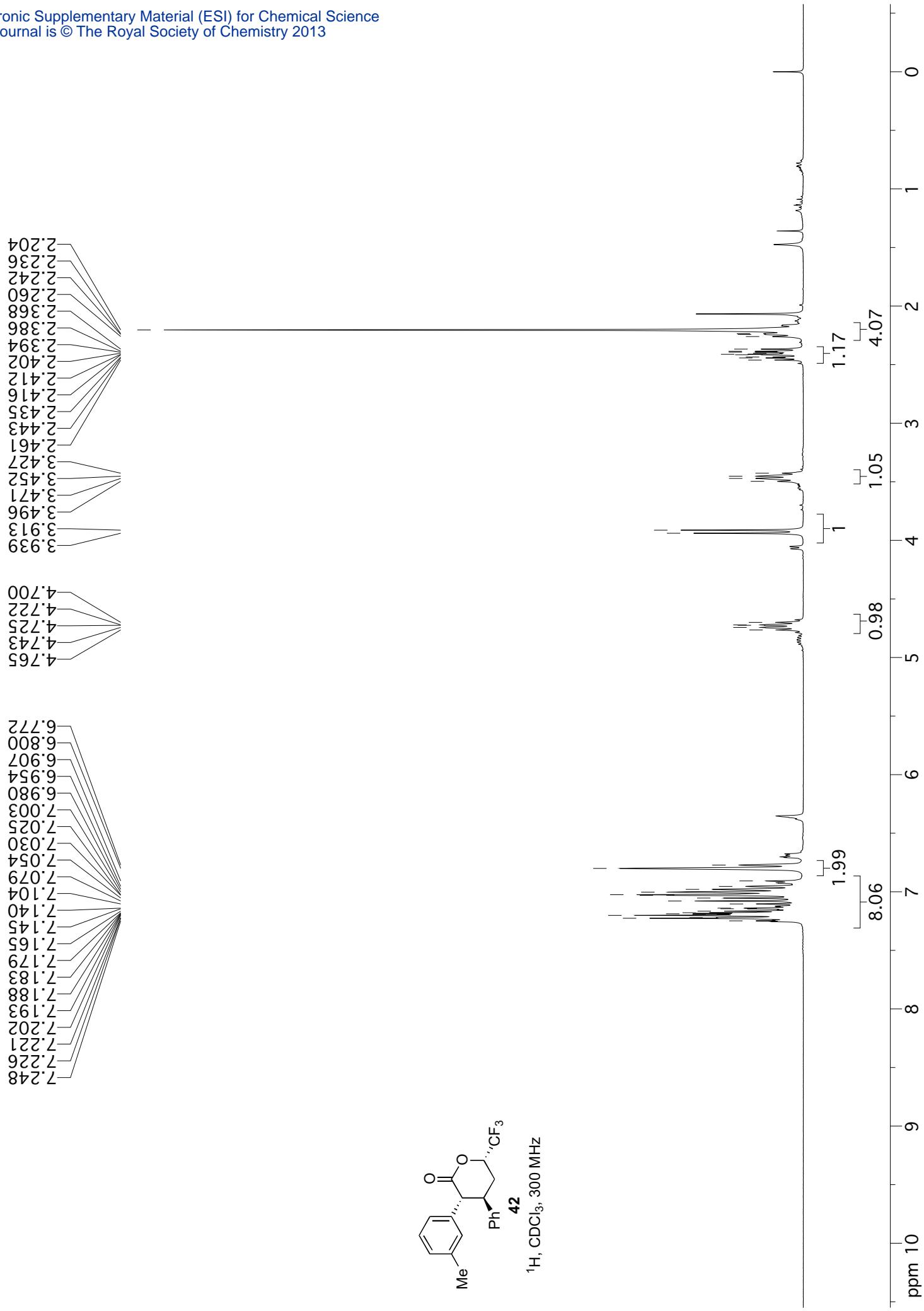




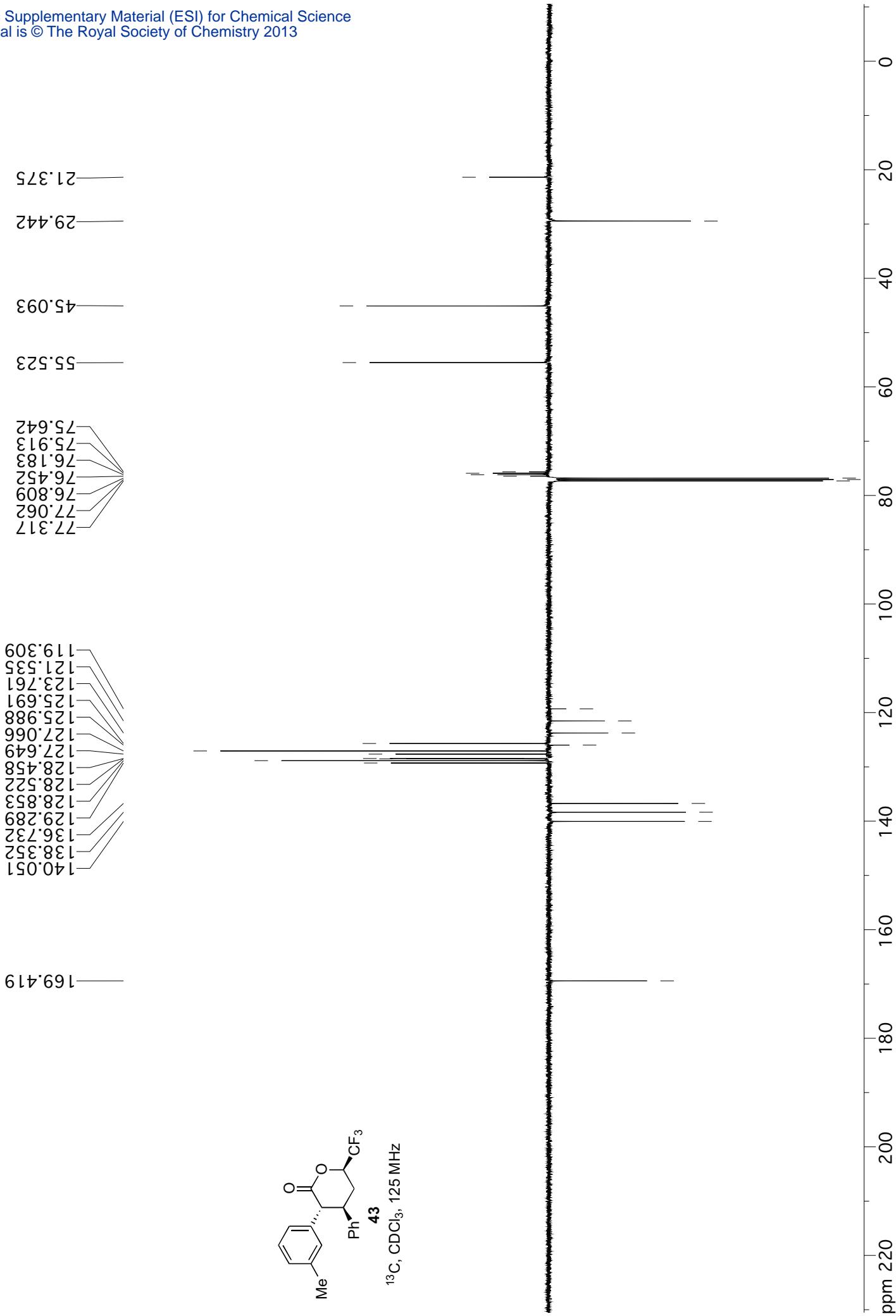


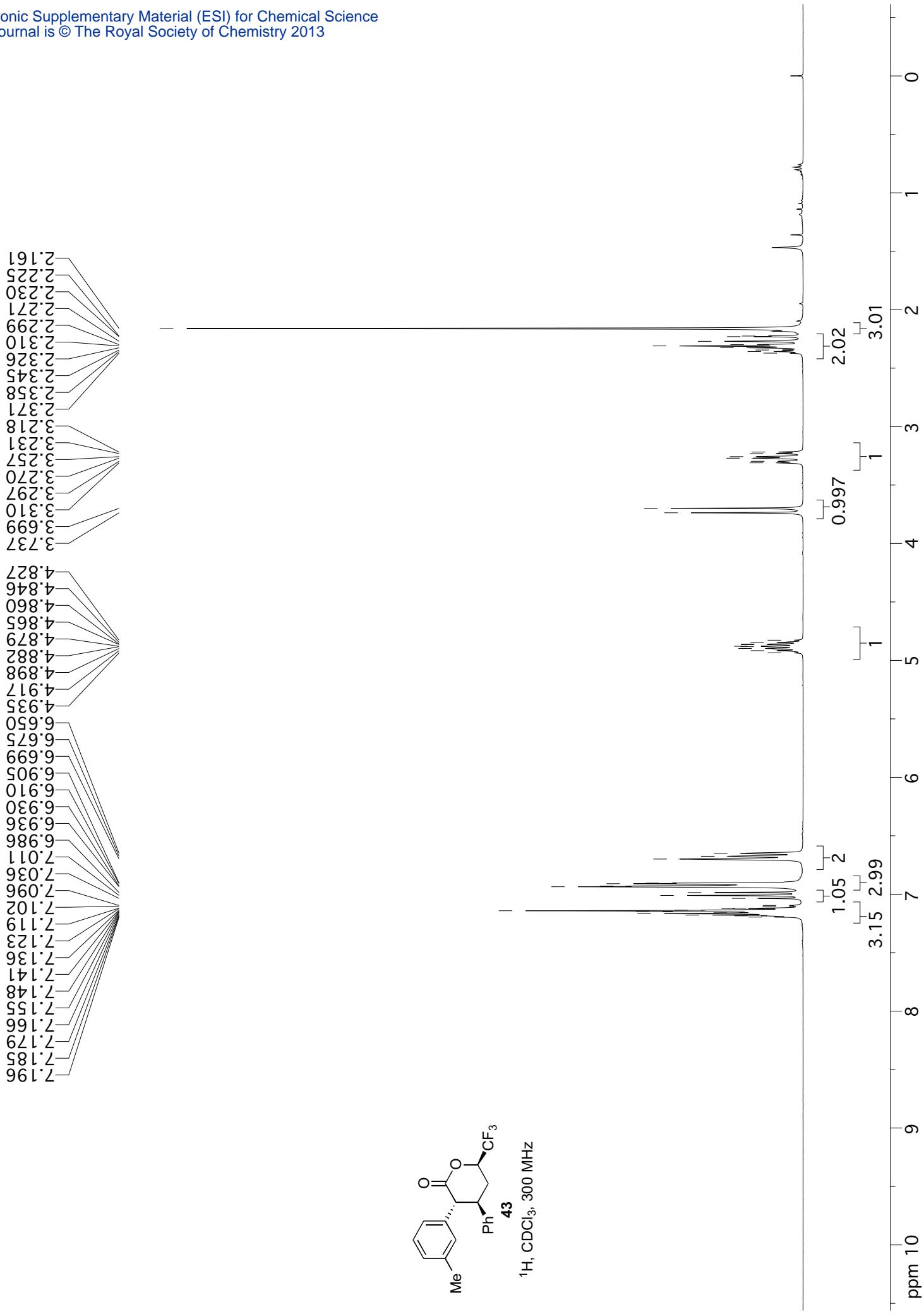


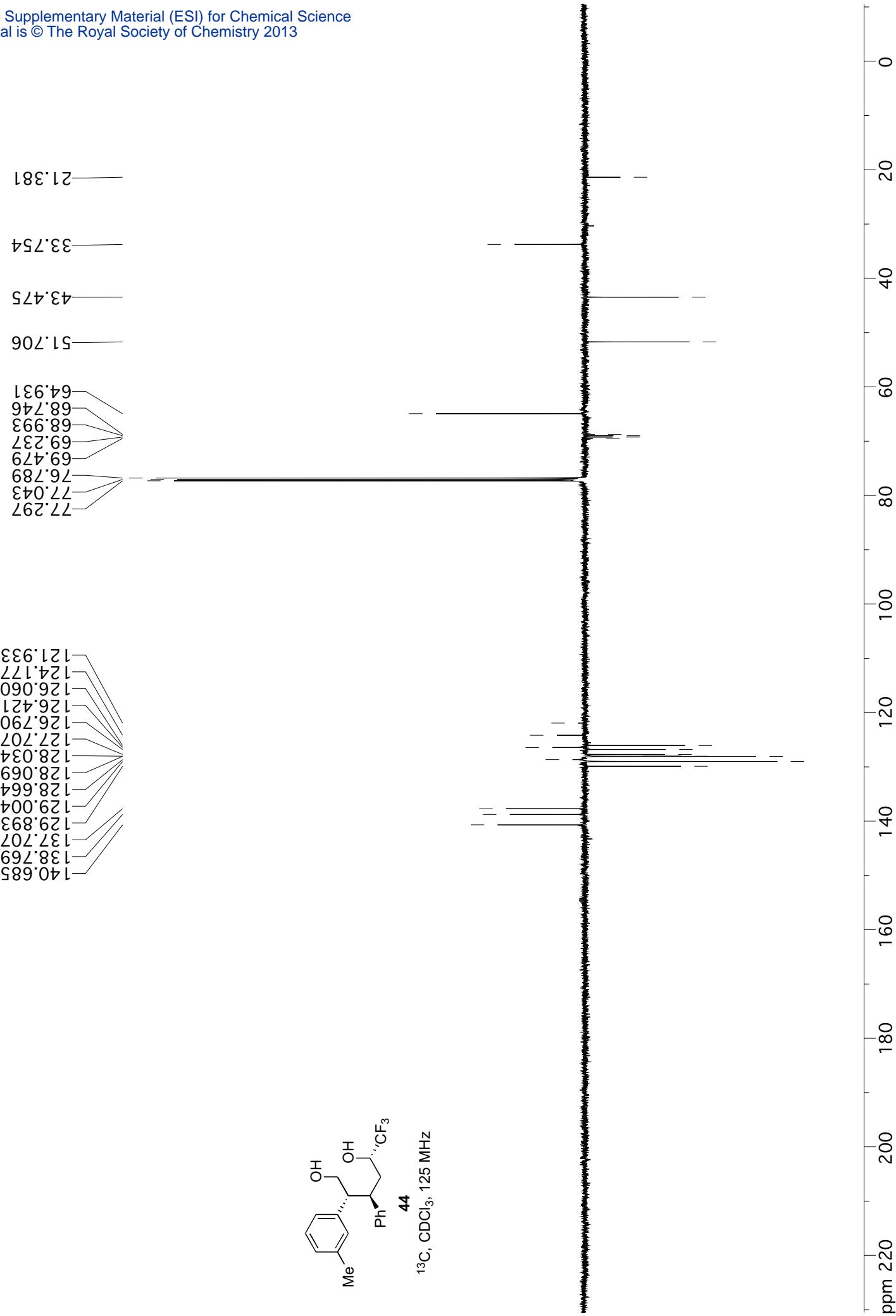


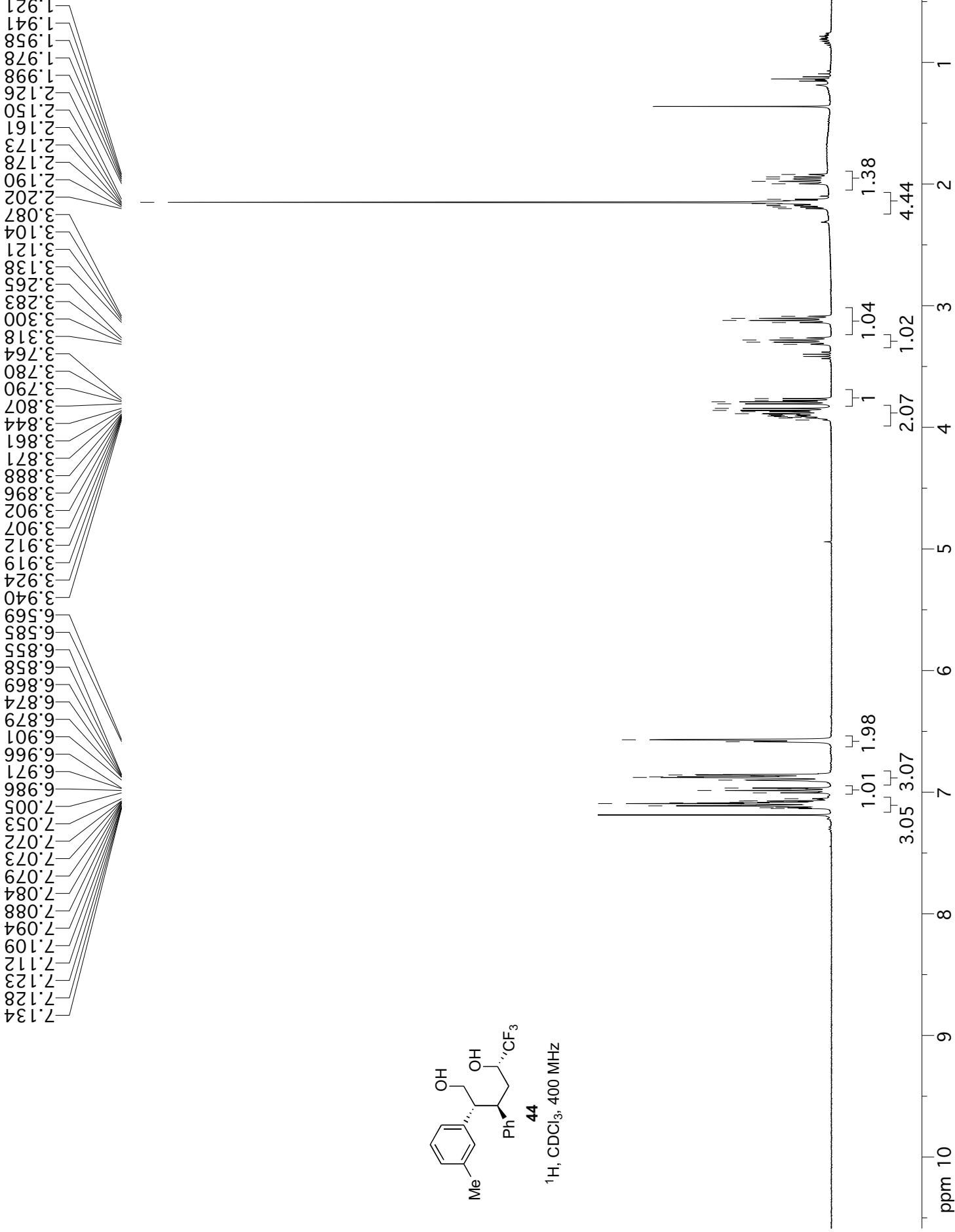


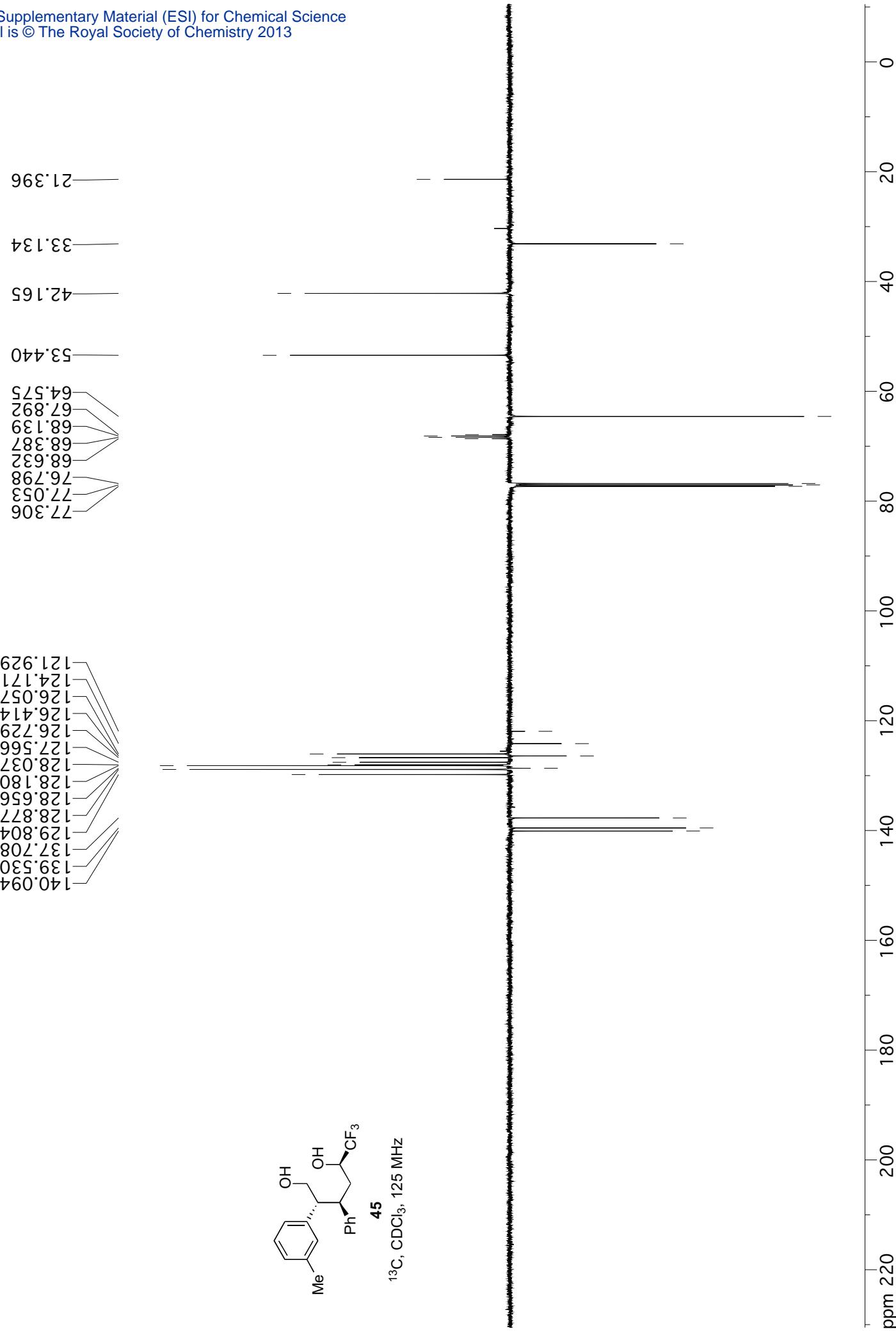
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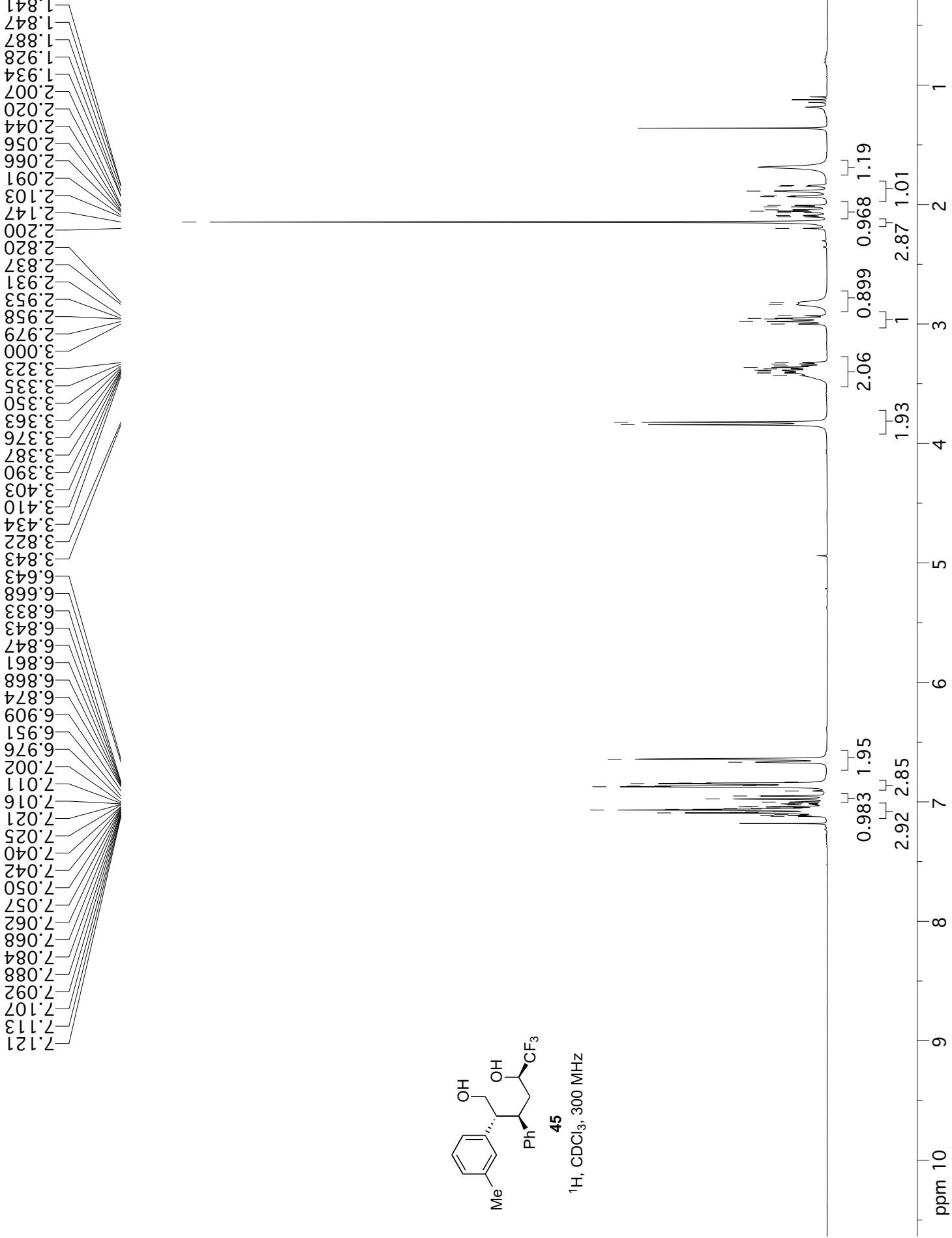


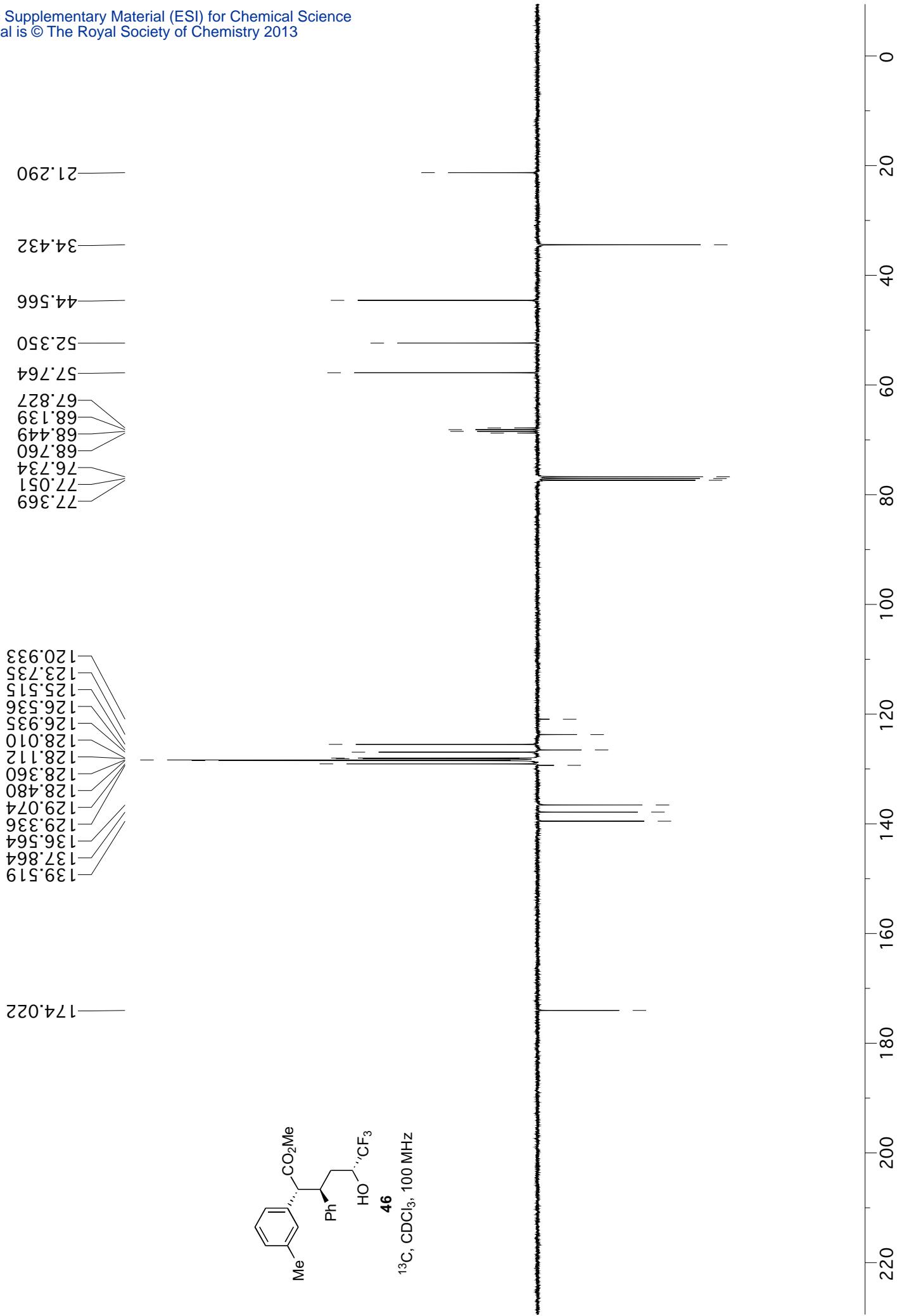


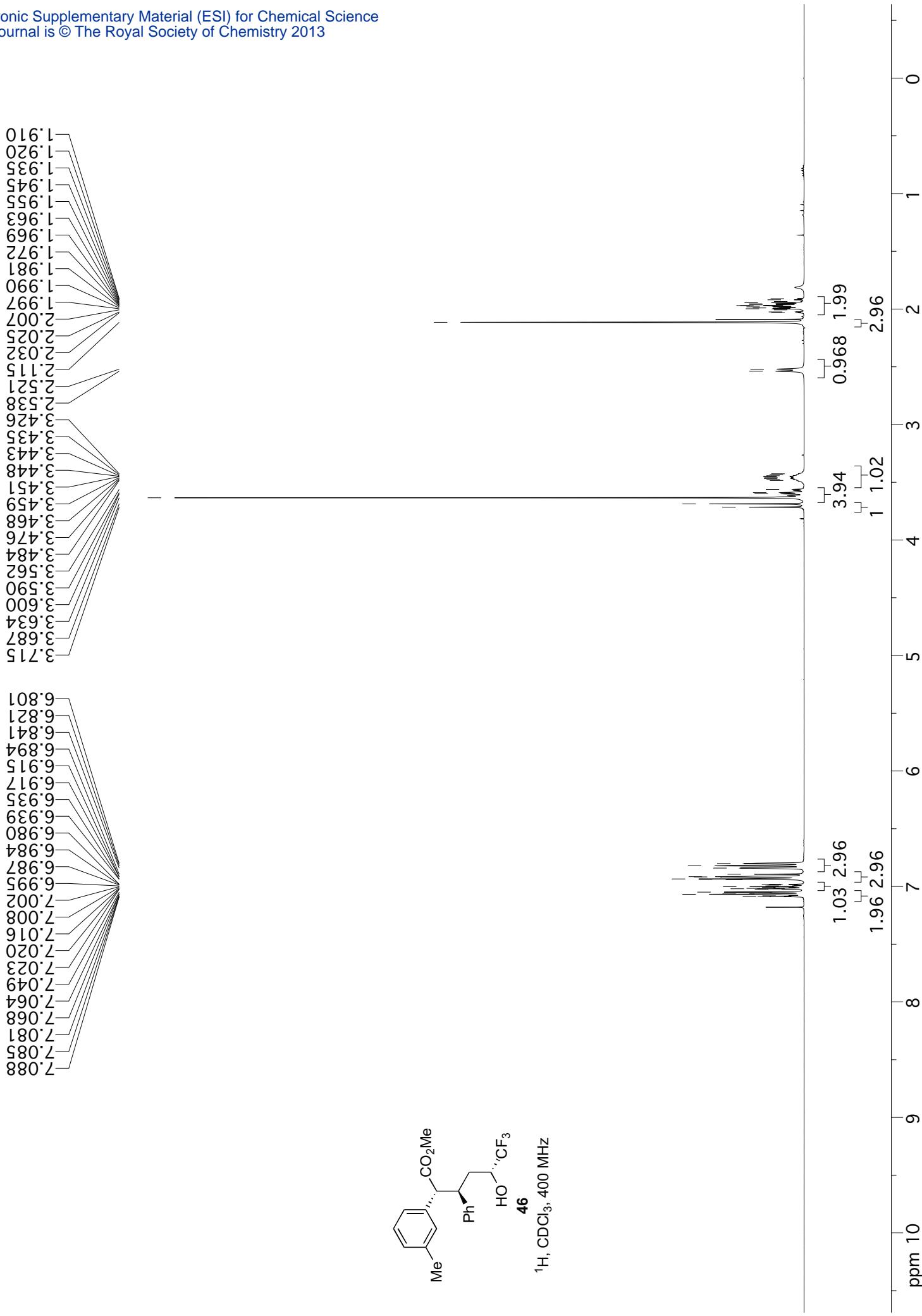


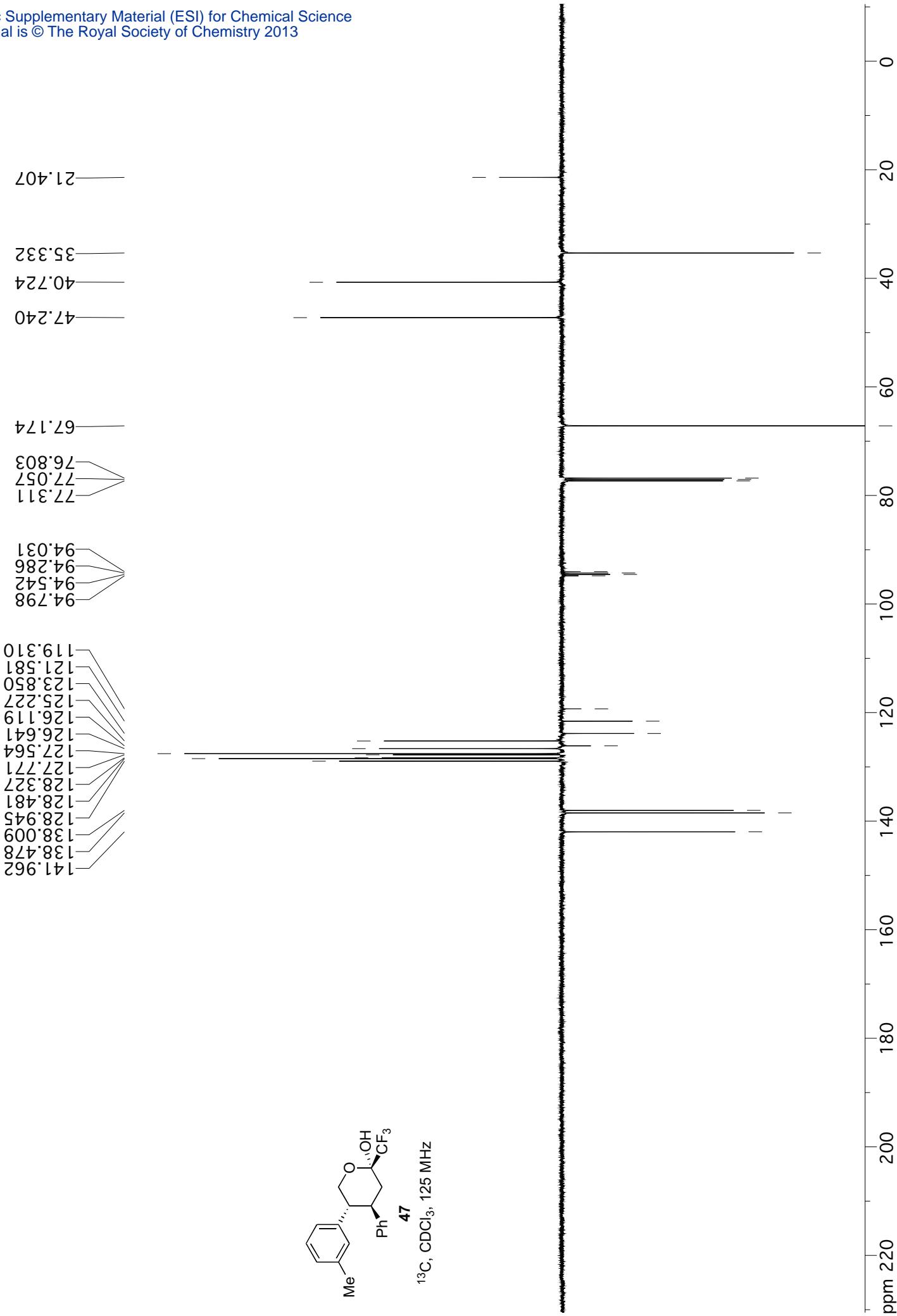


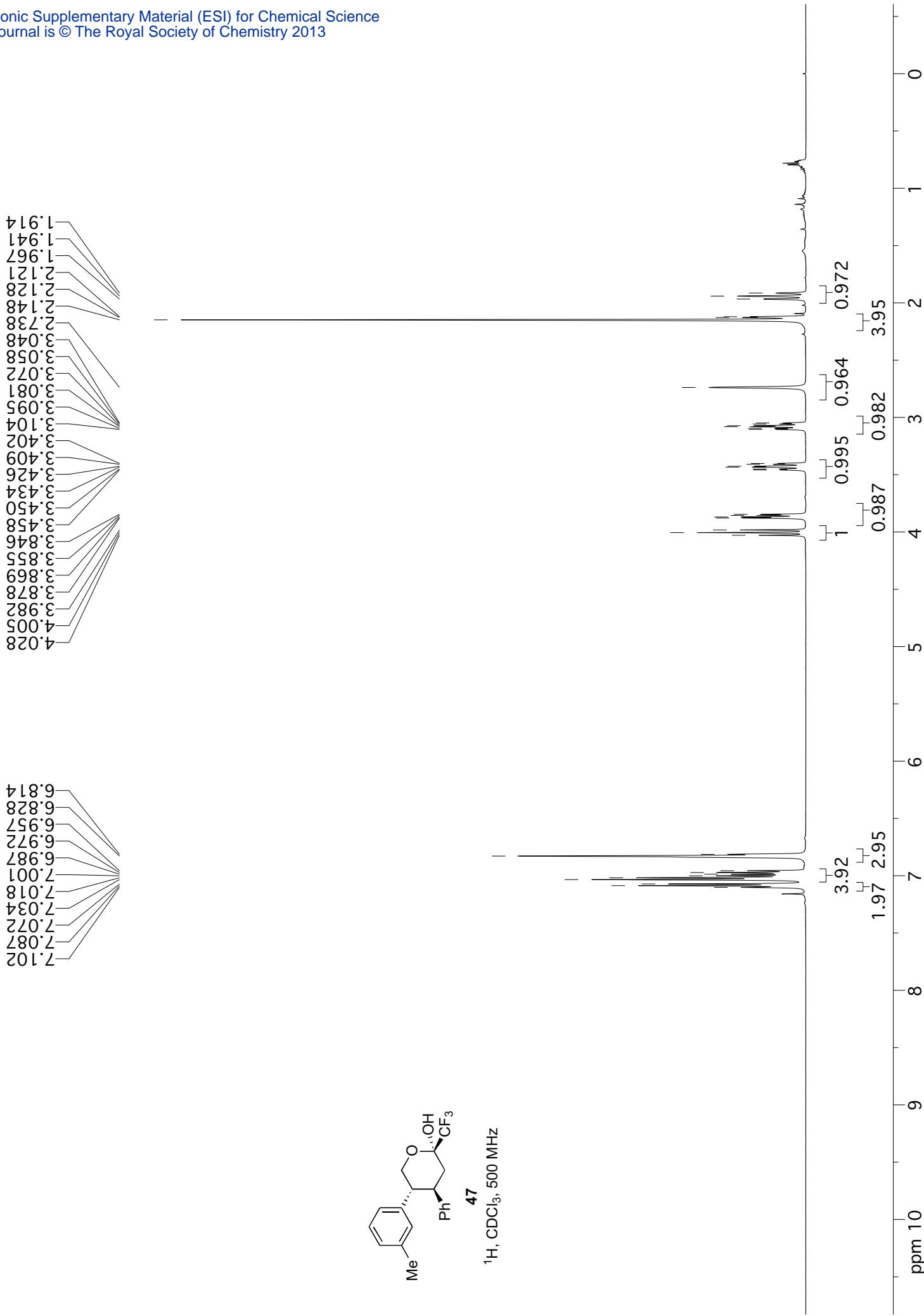


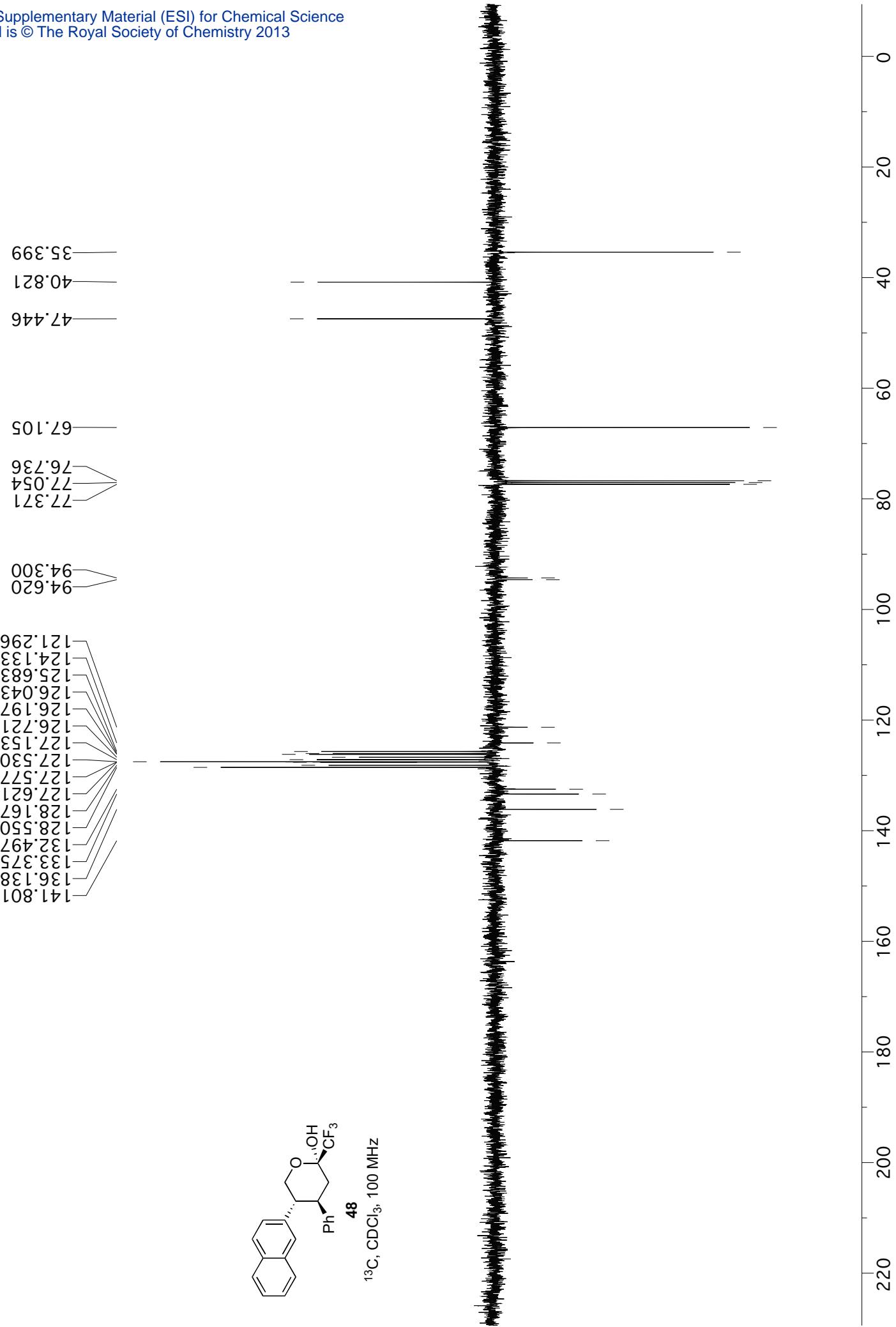


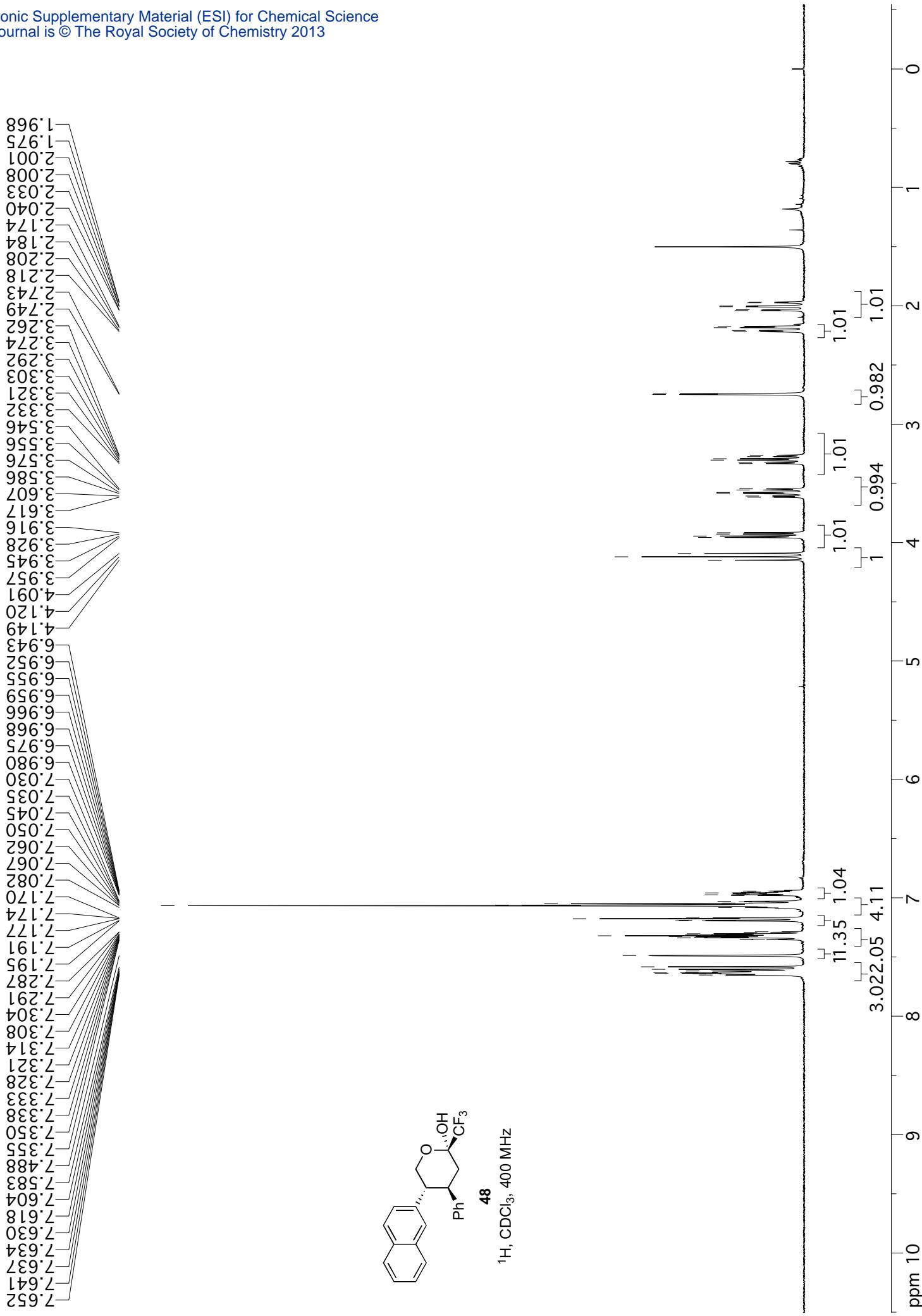


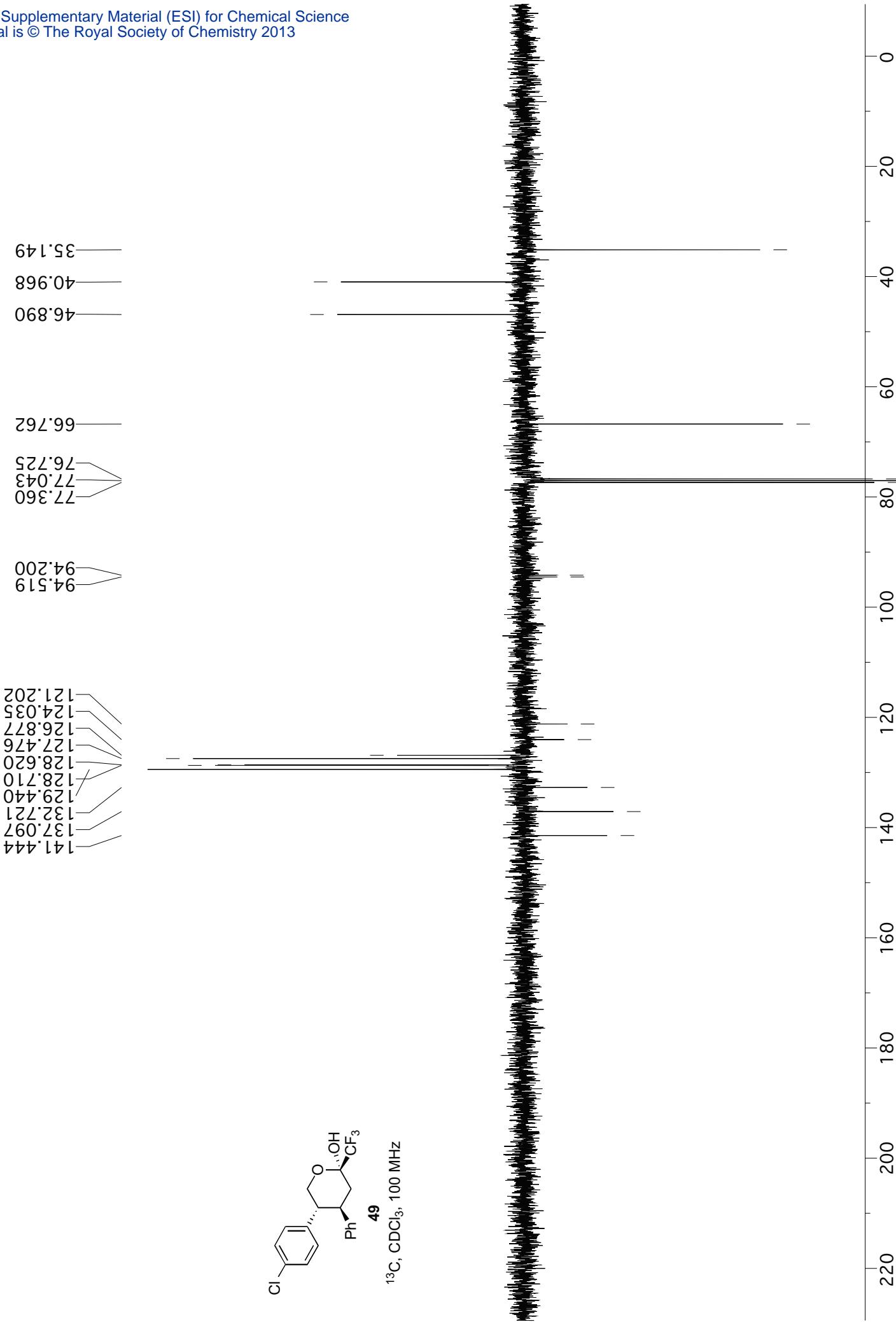


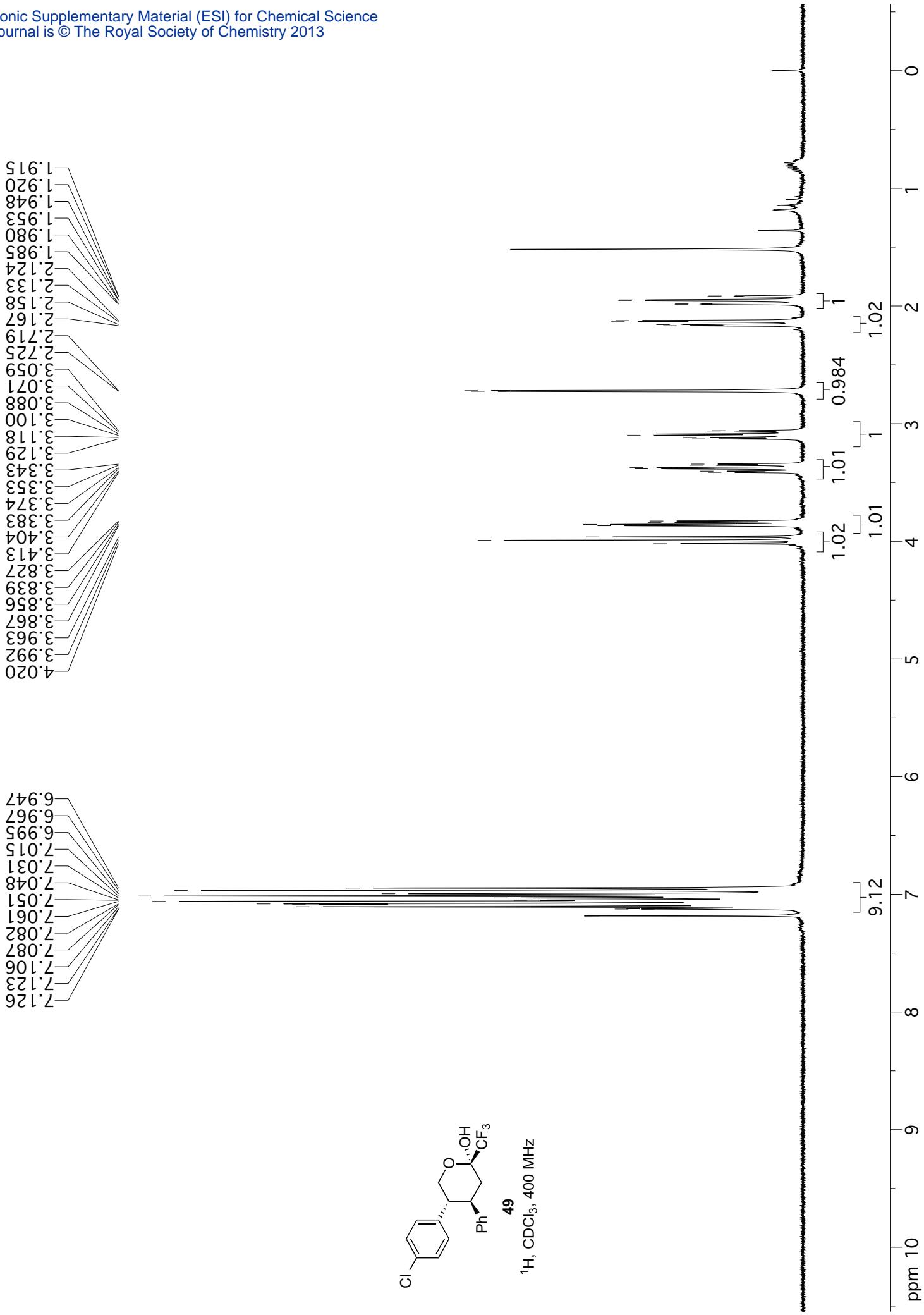












$^1\text{H}$ ,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz  
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