

Supporting Information

Generation of Gold Carbenes in Water: Efficient Intermolecular Trapping of the α -Oxo Gold Carbenoids by Indoles and Anilines

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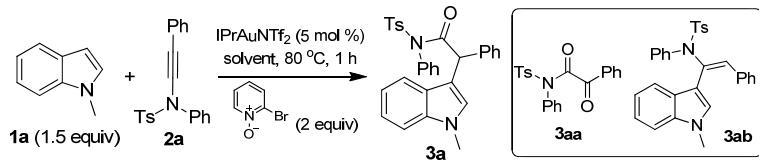
General Information. Ethyl acetate (ACS grade), hexanes (ACS grade) and anhydrous 1, 2-dichloroethane (ACS grade) were obtained commercially and used without further purification. Methylene chloride, tetrahydrofuran and diethyl ether were purified according to standard methods unless otherwise noted. Commercially available reagents were used without further purification. Reactions were monitored by thin layer chromatography (TLC) using silicycle pre-coated silica gel plates. Flash column chromatography was performed over silica gel (300-400 mesh). Infrared spectra were recorded on a Nicolet AVATER FTIR330 spectrometer as thin film and are reported in reciprocal centimeter (cm^{-1}). Mass spectra were recorded with Micromass QTOF2 Quadrupole/Time-of-Flight Tandem mass spectrometer using electron spray ionization.

^1H NMR spectra and ^{13}C NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker AV-400 spectrometer and a Bruker AV-500 spectrometer in chloroform-d₃. For ^1H NMR spectra, chemical shifts are reported in ppm with the internal TMS signal at 0.0 ppm as a standard. For ^{13}C NMR spectra, chemical shifts are reported in ppm with the internal chloroform signal at 77.0 ppm as a standard.

Table 1. Effects of oxidant on the oxidative gold catalysis

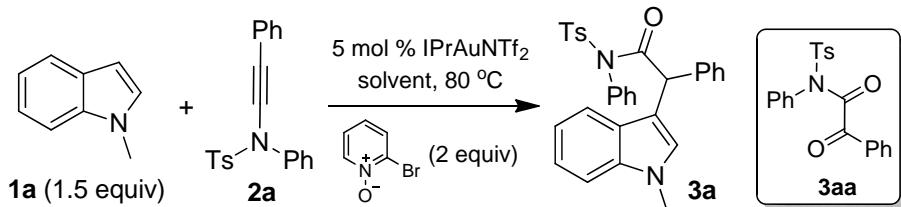
Entry	Oxidant	Yield [%]		
		3a	3aa	3ab
1		88	<2	<2
2		<5	<5	30
3		67	10	<2
4		76	6	<2
5		87	<2	<2

Table 2. Effects of solvent on the oxidative gold catalysis



Entry	Solvent	Yield [%]		
		3a	3aa	3ab
1	DCE	26	35	<2
2	toluene	23	52	<2
3	CH ₃ CN	40	43	<2
4	CH ₃ NO ₂	42	35	<2
5	DMF	60	34	<2
6	DMSO	<5	83	<2
7	CH ₃ CH ₂ OH	28	14	<2
8	CF ₃ CH ₂ OH	30	16	<2
9	H ₂ O	88	<2	<2

Kinetic Experiments:



Ynamide **2a** (104.2 mg, 0.30 mmol), 2-bromopyridine *N*-oxide (104.4 mg, 0.60 mmol), and IPrAuNTf₂ (13.5 mg, 0.015 mmol) were added in this order to a mixture of the indole **1a** (59.1 mg, 0.45 mmol) in a certain solvent (3.0 mL), and the reaction mixture was then stirred at 80 °C. The reaction was quenched with a drop of Et₃N at different time. The reaction diluted with DCM (30 mL) and washed with H₂O (2 × 15 mL). The resulting solution was extracted again with DCM (30 mL) and the combined organic layers were dried with MgSO₄. The mixture was then concentrated and the crude mixture was analyzed by ¹H NMR to determine the reaction yield (**2a**, **3a**, **3aa**) by using diethyl phthalate as the internal standard.

Figure 1 Kinetic study of the reaction in DCE

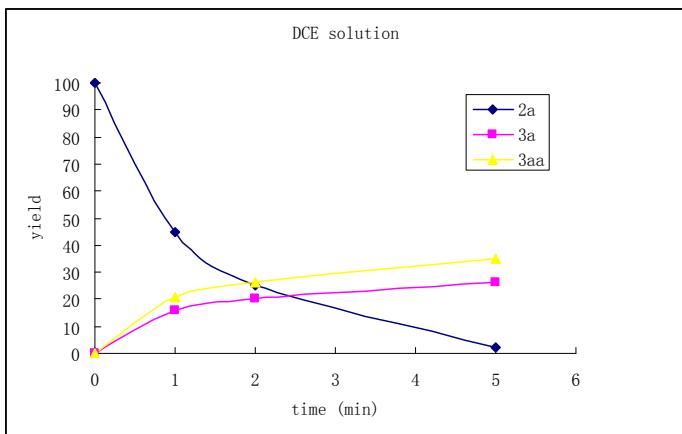


Figure 2 Kinetic study of the reaction in DCE/H₂O = 1/1

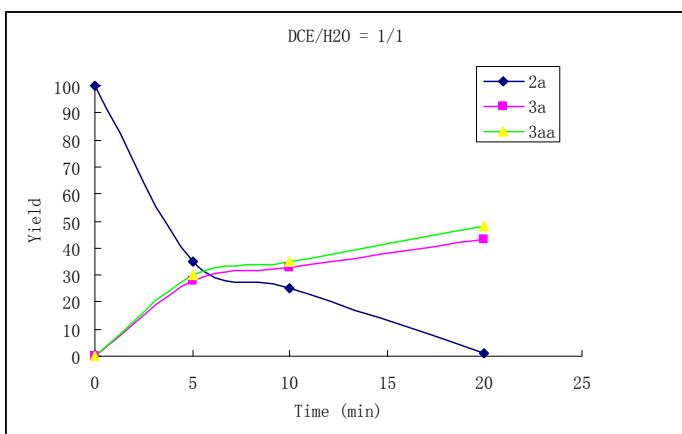


Figure 3 Kinetic study of the reaction in H₂O

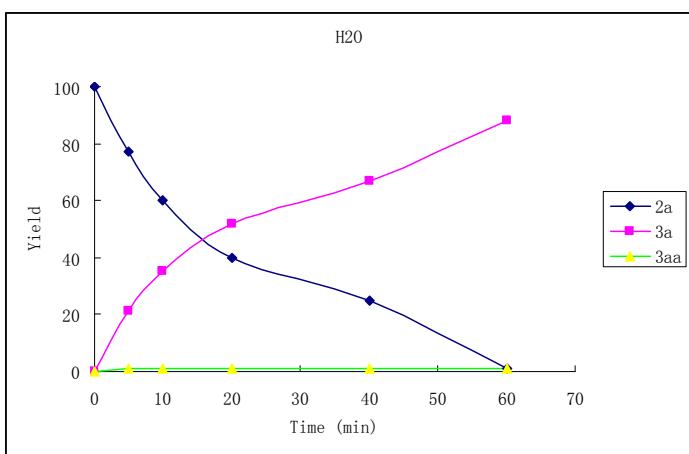
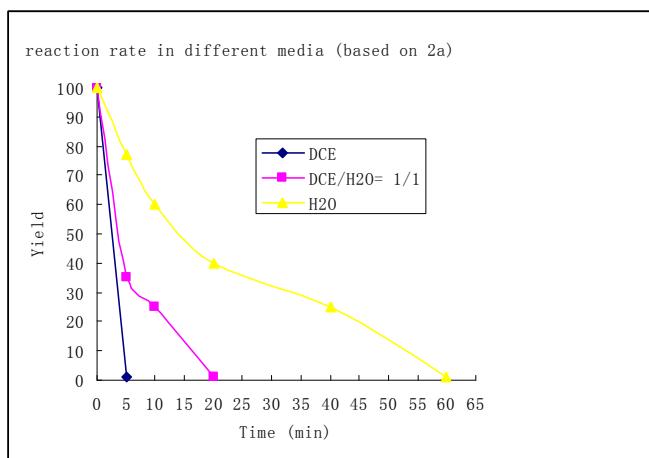
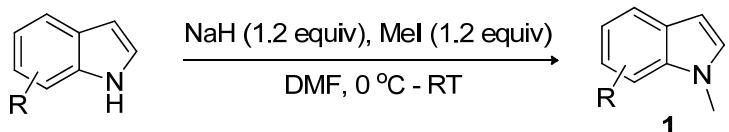


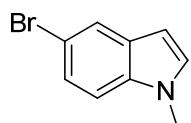
Figure 4 Reaction rate in different media (based on **2a**)



Representative synthetic procedures for the preparation of *N*-methylindoles **1**.¹



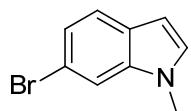
5-bromo-1-methyl-1H-indole (**1b**)



1b

This compound is known and the spectroscopic data match those reported.² ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.72 (d, 1H, J = 2.0 Hz), 7.26 (d, 1H, J = 2.0 Hz), 7.16 (d, 1H, J = 8.4 Hz), 7.02 (d, 1H, J = 3.2 Hz), 6.40 (dd, 1H, J = 0.8 Hz, J = 3.2 Hz), 3.75 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 135.3, 130.1, 129.9, 124.2, 123.2, 112.6, 110.6, 100.5, 32.9.

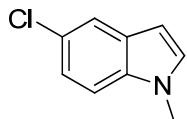
6-bromo-1-methyl-1H-indole (**1c**)



1c

This compound is known and the spectroscopic data match those reported.³ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.46 – 7.42 (m, 2H), 7.17 (dd, 1H, J = 1.6 Hz, J = 8.4 Hz), 6.95 (d, 1H, J = 3.2 Hz), 6.41 (dd, 1H, J = 0.8 Hz, J = 3.6 Hz), 3.66 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 137.4, 129.3, 127.2, 122.4, 121.9, 115.0, 112.2, 101.1, 32.7.

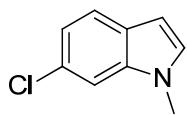
5-chloro-1-methyl-1H-indole (1d)



1d

This compound is known and the spectroscopic data match those reported.² ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.57 (s, 1H), 7.25 – 7.13 (m, 2H), 7.05 (s, 1H), 6.41 (s, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 135.1, 130.0, 129.4, 125.0, 121.7, 120.1, 110.1, 100.5, 32.9.

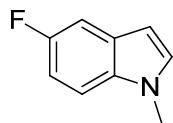
6-chloro-1-methyl-1H-indole (1e)



1e

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.50 (d, 1H, J = 0.4 Hz), 7.33 (d, 1H, J = 0.8 Hz), 7.10 (dd, 1H, J = 0.4 Hz, J = 8.4 Hz), 7.04 (d, 1H, J = 3.2 Hz), 6.48 (d, 1H, J = 3.2 Hz), 3.75 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 137.0, 129.4, 127.5, 126.9, 121.6, 119.9, 109.2, 101.2, 32.7; IR (neat): 2922, 1706, 1512, 1476, 1440, 1420, 1330, 1277, 1240, 1198, 1172, 1145, 1081, 1062, 793, 777, 718; MS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₉H₈ClNNa]⁺: 188.0; Found: 188.0; HRMS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₉H₈ClNNa]⁺: 188.0243; Found: 188.0250.

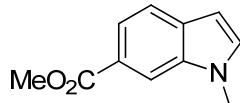
5-fluoro-1-methyl-1H-indole (1f)



1f

This compound is known and the spectroscopic data match those reported.⁴ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.27 – 7.18 (m, 2H), 7.06 (s, 1H), 6.95 (s, 1H), 6.42 (s, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.8 (d, *J* = 232.4 Hz), 133.4, 130.3, 128.6 (d, *J* = 10.4 Hz), 109.9, 109.7 (t, *J* = 4.8 Hz), 105.4 (d, *J* = 23.2 Hz), 100.8 (d, *J* = 4.7 Hz), 33.0.

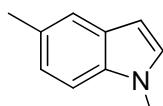
methyl 1-methyl-1H-indole-6-carboxylate (1g)



1g

This compound is known and the spectroscopic data match those reported.⁵ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.10 (s, 1H), 7.79 (dd, 1H, *J* = 1.2 Hz, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.62 (d, 1H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.20 (d, 1H, *J* = 3.2 Hz), 6.52 (dd, 1H, *J* = 0.4 Hz, *J* = 2.8 Hz), 3.94 (s, 3H), 3.85 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 168.1, 135.9, 132.0, 131.9, 123.0, 120.3, 120.2, 111.6, 101.2, 51.8, 32.8.

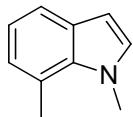
1,5-dimethyl-1H-indole (1h)



1h

This compound is known and the spectroscopic data match those reported.² ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.41 – 7.38 (m, 1H), 7.18 (d, 1H, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 7.02 (dd, 1H, *J* = 1.6 Hz, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 6.96 (d, 1H, *J* = 3.2 Hz), 6.37 (dd, 1H, *J* = 0.8 Hz, *J* = 3.2 Hz), 3.70 (s, 3H), 2.43 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 135.1, 128.75, 128.71, 128.3, 123.0, 120.4, 108.7, 100.2, 32.7, 21.3.

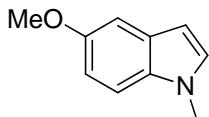
1,7-dimethyl-1H-indole (1i)



1i

This compound is known and the spectroscopic data match those reported.⁴ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.43 (d, 1H, J = 7.6 Hz), 6.98 – 6.86 (m, 3H), 6.40 (d, 1H, J = 2.8 Hz), 4.01 (s, 3H), 2.74 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 135.4, 130.3, 129.6, 124.1, 121.1, 119.5, 119.0, 100.8, 36.6, 19.6.

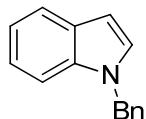
5-methoxy-1-methyl-1H-indole (1j)



1j

This compound is known and the spectroscopic data match those reported.⁴ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.17 (d, 1H, J = 9.2 Hz), 7.07 (s, 1H, J = 2.4 Hz), 6.97 (d, 1H, J = 3.2 Hz), 6.87 (dd, 1H, J = 2.4 Hz, J = 8.8 Hz), 6.38 (dd, 1H, J = 0.4 Hz, J = 3.2 Hz), 3.82 (s, 3H), 3.70 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 153.9, 132.0, 129.2, 128.7, 111.7, 109.8, 102.4, 100.3, 55.8, 32.8.

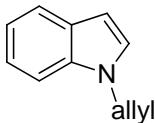
1-benzyl-1H-indole (1k)



1k

This compound is known and the spectroscopic data match those reported.⁶ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.63 (d, 1H, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.28 – 7.20 (m, 4H), 7.17 – 7.04 (m, 5H), 6.53 (dd, 1H, J = 0.4 Hz, J = 3.2 Hz), 5.25 (s, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 137.5, 136.3, 128.7, 128.2, 127.5, 126.7, 121.6, 120.9, 119.5, 109.6, 101.6, 50.0.

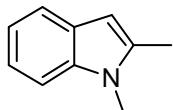
1-allyl-1H-indole (1l)



1l

This compound is known and the spectroscopic data match those reported.⁷ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.62 (d, 1H, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.31 (d, 1H, J = 8.0 Hz), 7.24 – 7.16 (m, 1H), 7.13 – 7.05 (m, 2H), 6.51 (d, 1H, J = 2.4 Hz), 6.04 – 5.92 (m, 1H), 5.18 (d, 1H, J = 10.0 Hz), 5.08 (d, 1H, J = 17.2 Hz), 4.71 (d, 2H, J = 5.2 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 136.0, 133.4, 128.6, 127.7, 121.4, 120.9, 119.3, 117.2, 109.5, 101.3, 48.8.

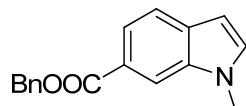
1,2-dimethyl-1H-indole (1m)



1m

This compound is known and the spectroscopic data match those reported.² ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.50 (d, 1H, J = 7.2 Hz), 7.23 (d, 1H, J = 8.0 Hz), 7.13 (t, 1H, J = 7.2 Hz), 7.05 (t, 1H, J = 7.2 Hz), 6.22 (s, 1H), 3.62 (s, 3H), 2.39 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 137.3, 136.7, 127.9, 120.3, 119.5, 119.2, 108.6, 99.5, 29.3, 12.6.

benzyl 1-methyl-1H-indole-6-carboxylate (1n)

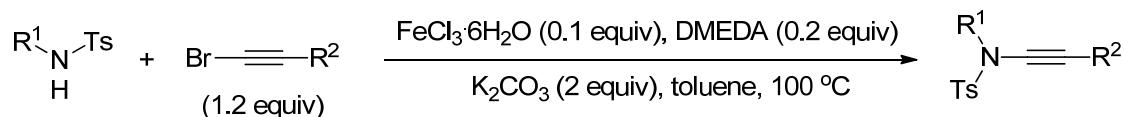


1n

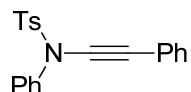
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0.8 Hz, $J = 2.8$ Hz), 5.40 (s, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.6, 136.5, 136.0, 132.2, 132.1, 128.5, 128.1, 128.0, 123.0, 120.4, 120.3, 111.8, 101.3, 66.4, 33.0.

Representative synthetic procedures for the preparation of ynamides 2:⁹



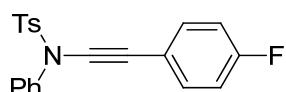
4-methyl-N-phenyl-N-(phenylethyynyl)benzenesulfonamide (2a)



2a

This compound is known and the spectroscopic data match those reported.⁹ ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.62 (d, 2H, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 7.41 – 7.23 (m, 12H), 2.43 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 144.9, 138.9, 132.9, 131.4, 129.4, 129.0, 128.3, 128.2, 127.9, 126.2, 122.6, 82.9, 70.4, 21.6.

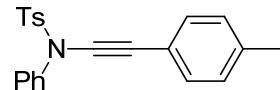
N-((4-fluorophenyl)ethynyl)-4-methyl-N-phenylbenzenesulfonamide (2b)



2b

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.60 (d, 2H, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 7.38 – 7.26 (m, 9H), 6.99 – 6.94 (m, 2H), 2.41 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 163.5, 161.0, 145.0, 138.7, 133.4 (d, $J = 33.2$ Hz), 129.4, 129.0, 128.1 (d, $J = 34.4$ Hz), 126.1, 118.5 (d, $J = 14.0$ Hz), 115.5, 115.3, 82.5, 69.3, 21.5; IR (neat): 3069, 2920, 2242, 1888, 1598, 1508, 1489, 1374, 1230, 1175, 1090, 836, 768, 691, 668, 580, 550, 529; MS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{16}\text{FNNaO}_2\text{S}]^+$: 388.1; Found: 388.1; HRMS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{16}\text{FNNaO}_2\text{S}]^+$: 388.0783; Found: 388.0783.

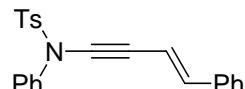
4-methyl-N-phenyl-N-(p-tolylethynyl)benzenesulfonamide (2c)



2c

This compound is known and the spectroscopic data match those reported.¹⁰ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.65 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 7.36 – 7.28 (m, 9H), 7.13 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 2.46 (s, 3H), 2.37 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 144.8, 139.1, 138.1, 133.0, 131.5, 129.4, 129.0, 128.2, 128.1, 126.2, 119.4, 82.2, 70.5, 21.6, 21.4.

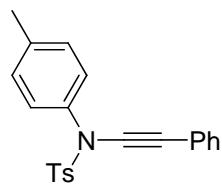
(E)-4-methyl-N-phenyl-N-(4-phenylbut-3-en-1-yn-1-yl)benzenesulfonamide (2d)



2d

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.64 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.41 – 7.28 (m, 12H), 6.89 (d, 1H, *J* = 16.0 Hz), 6.29 (d, 1H, *J* = 16.0 Hz), 2.47 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 144.9, 139.9, 138.9, 136.3, 133.1, 129.5, 129.0, 128.7, 128.4, 128.2, 126.2, 126.1, 107.3, 84.9, 70.1, 21.6; IR (neat): 2923, 2221, 2092, 1596, 1488, 1371, 1187, 1174, 1088, 689, 578; MS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₂₃H₁₉NNaO₂S]⁺: 396.1; Found: 396.1; HRMS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₂₃H₁₉NNaO₂S]⁺: 396.1034; Found: 396.1029.

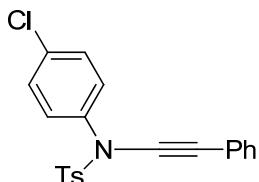
4-methyl-N-(phenylethynyl)-N-(p-tolyl)benzenesulfonamide (2e)



2e

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.62 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.40 – 7.34 (m, 2H), 7.32 – 7.24 (m, 5H), 7.20 – 7.10 (m, 4H), 2.43 (s, 3H), 2.34 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 144.8, 138.4, 136.4, 133.1, 131.3, 129.6, 129.4, 128.3, 128.2, 127.8, 126.2, 122.7, 83.3, 70.2, 21.6, 21.1; IR (neat): 2920, 2237, 1600, 1506, 1372, 1186, 1171, 1089, 912, 750, 691, 669, 571, 550; MS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₂₂H₁₉NNaO₂S]⁺: 384.1; Found: 384.1; HRMS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₂₂H₁₉NNaO₂S]⁺: 384.1034; Found: 384.1029.

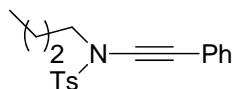
N-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-methyl-N-(phenylethynyl)benzenesulfonamide (2f)



2f

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.67 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.45 – 7.41 (m, 2H), 7.40 – 7.27 (m, 9H), 2.48 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 145.2, 137.4, 133.9, 132.5, 131.3, 129.5, 129.1, 128.2, 128.1, 128.0, 127.3, 122.2, 82.4, 70.9, 21.6; IR (neat): 2923, 2239, 2096, 1597, 1485, 1372, 1275, 1259, 1173, 1088, 749, 664, 560; MS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₂₁H₁₆ClNNaO₂S]⁺: 404.0; Found: 404.0; HRMS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₂₁H₁₆ClNNaO₂S]⁺: 404.0488; Found: 404.0492.

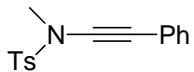
4-methyl-N-(phenylethynyl)-N-propylbenzenesulfonamide (2g)



2g

This compound is known and the spectroscopic data match those reported.⁹ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.83 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 7.38 – 7.32 (m, 4H), 7.31 – 7.24 (m, 3H), 3.39 (t, 2H, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 2.43 (s, 3H), 1.73 – 1.64 (m, 2H), 1.43 – 1.35 (m, 2H), 0.92 (t, 3H, *J* = 7.2 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 144.4, 134.6, 131.2, 129.6, 128.2, 127.6, 122.9, 82.4, 70.5, 51.3, 29.9, 21.5, 19.4, 13.5.

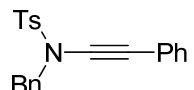
N,4-dimethyl-N-(phenylethynyl)benzenesulfonamide (2g')



2g'

This compound is known and the spectroscopic data match those reported.¹¹ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.82 (d, 2H, J = 8.0 Hz), 7.37 – 7.33 (m, 4H), 7.28 – 7.24 (m, 3H), 3.12 (s, 3H), 2.42 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 144.7, 132.9, 131.2, 129.7, 128.1, 127.7, 127.6, 122.4, 83.8, 68.8, 39.1, 21.4.

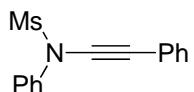
N-benzyl-4-methyl-N-(phenylethynyl)benzenesulfonamide (2h)



2h

This compound is known and the spectroscopic data match those reported.¹¹ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.82 (d, 2H, J = 8.4 Hz), 7.38 – 7.32 (m, 7H), 7.29 – 7.25 (m, 5H), 4.61 (s, 2H), 2.47 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 144.6, 134.7, 134.4, 131.1, 129.7, 128.8, 128.5, 128.3, 128.2, 127.7, 127.6, 122.8, 82.7, 71.3, 55.7, 21.6.

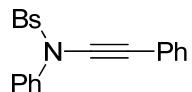
N-phenyl-N-(phenylethynyl)methanesulfonamide (2i)



2i

This compound is known and the spectroscopic data match those reported.¹² ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.60 – 7.56 (m, 2H), 7.46 – 7.41 (m, 4H), 7.38 – 7.34 (m, 1H), 7.32 – 7.29 (m, 3H), 3.15 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 138.7, 131.5, 129.5, 128.3, 128.2, 125.5, 122.3, 82.0, 71.0, 36.8.

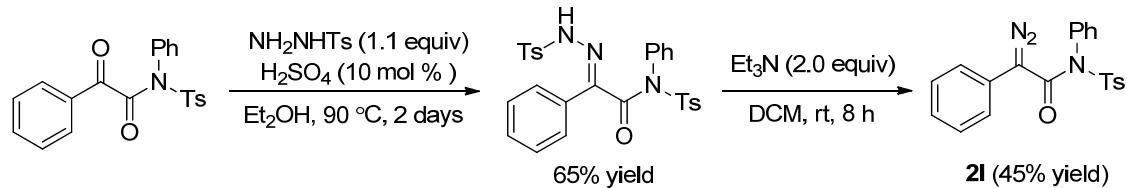
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2j

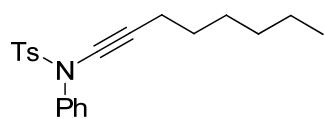
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.67 – 7.57 (m, 4H), 7.40 – 7.28 (m, 10H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 138.6, 134.7, 132.2, 131.5, 129.6, 129.2, 128.5, 128.3, 128.2, 126.2, 122.2, 82.4, 70.8; IR (neat): 3065, 2925, 2240, 1885, 1592, 1504, 1483, 1374, 1229, 1160, 1070, 835, 768, 693, 665, 580; MS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₂₀H₁₄BrNNaO₂S]⁺: 434.0; Found: 433.9; HRMS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₂₀H₁₄BrNNaO₂S]⁺: 433.9826; Found: 433.9832.

2-diazo-N,2-diphenyl-N-tosylacetamide (2l)



Compound **2l** was prepared according to the known procedure.¹³ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.66 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 7.36 – 7.24 (m, 9H), 7.20 – 7.16 (m, 1H), 7.14 – 7.09 (m, 2H), 2.42 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.1, 144.5, 136.0, 134.9, 129.3, 129.2, 129.1(5), 129.1(1), 129.0, 128.9, 127.2, 125.7, 124.9, 21.6; IR (neat): 3066, 2920, 2853, 2086(s), 1672(s), 1597, 1496, 1486, 1365, 1328, 1243, 1186, 1172, 1134, 1088, 756, 704, 694, 586, 561; MS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₂₁H₁₇N₃NaO₃S]⁺: 414.1; Found: 414.1; HRMS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₂₁H₁₇N₃NaO₃S]⁺: 414.0888; Found: 414.0889.

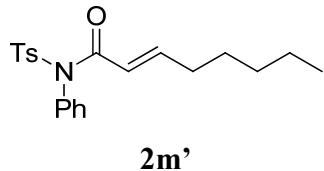
4-methyl-N-(oct-1-yn-1-yl)-N-phenylbenzenesulfonamide (2m)



2m

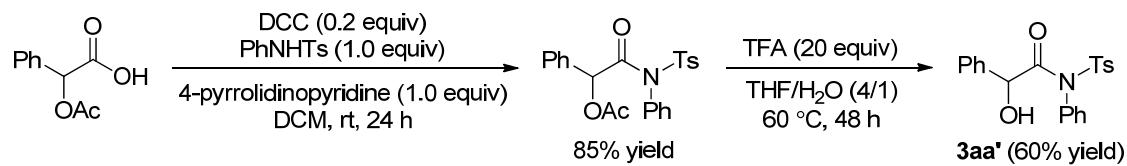
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.58 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 7.33 – 7.27 (m, 7H), 2.44 (s, 3H), 2.31 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 1.54 – 1.51 (m, 2H), 1.40 – 1.30 (m, 6H), 0.91 (t, 3H, *J* = 7.2 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 144.5, 139.4, 133.1, 129.3, 128.8, 128.2, 127.8, 126.0, 73.8, 70.4, 31.3, 28.8, 28.4, 22.5, 21.6, 18.4, 14.0; IR (neat): 3405, 2921, 2851, 1630, 1594, 1487, 1370, 1174, 921, 811, 704, 579; MS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₂₁H₂₅NNaO₂S]⁺: 378.2; Found: 378.1; HRMS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₂₁H₂₅NNaO₂S]⁺: 378.1504; Found: 378.1497.

(E)-N-phenyl-N-tosyloct-2-enamide (2m')



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.92 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 7.48 – 7.46 (m, 3H), 7.32 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 7.33 – 7.26 (m, 2H), 6.98 – 6.91 (m, 1H), 5.45 (d, 1H, *J* = 15.2 Hz), 2.43 (s, 3H), 2.00 – 1.95 (m, 2H), 1.28 – 1.11 (m, 8H), 0.80 (t, 3H, *J* = 7.2 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.2, 151.0, 144.6, 136.2, 140.0, 130.2, 129.5, 129.2, 129.1, 121.1, 32.1, 30.9, 27.4, 22.1, 21.5, 13.7; IR (neat): 3408, 2921, 2851, 1691, 1658, 1631, 1484, 1451, 1124, 1089, 749, 549; MS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₂₁H₂₅NNaO₃S]⁺: 394.1; Found: 394.1; HRMS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₂₁H₂₅NNaO₃S]⁺: 394.1453; Found: 394.1456.

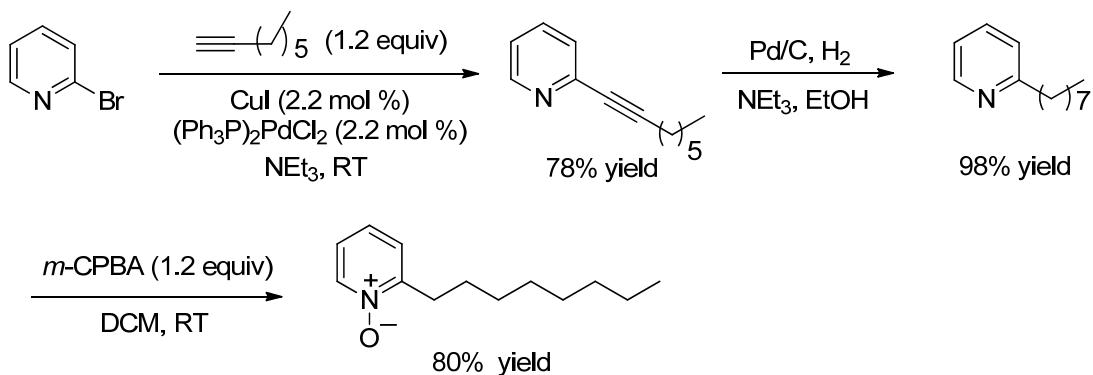
2-hydroxy-N,2-diphenyl-N-tosylacetamide (3aa')



Compound **3aa'** was prepared according to the known procedure.¹⁴ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.91 (d, 2H, *J* = 9.6 Hz), 7.43 (t, 1H, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.40 (d, 2H, *J* = 8 Hz), 7.33 – 7.20 (m, 3H), 7.17 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 6.83 (s, 2H), 6.73 (d, 2H, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 4.78 (s, 1H), 2.49 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 173.0, 145.4, 137.1, 135.4, 133.9, 130.7,

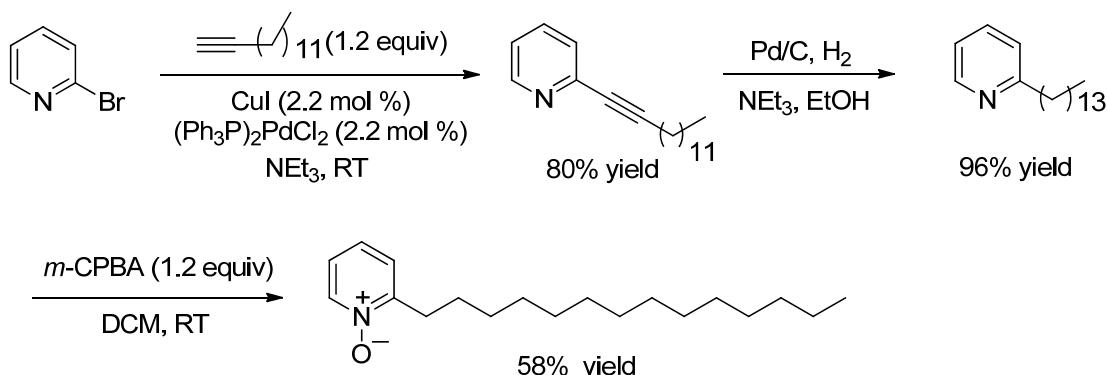
130.2, 129.5, 129.3, 129.2, 128.8, 128.7, 127.5, 73.5, 21.7; IR (neat): 3484(bs), 3069, 3032, 2922, 2853, 2256, 1699(s), 1596, 1488, 1454, 1365, 1286, 1172, 1087, 912, 735, 696; MS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{19}\text{NNaO}_4\text{S}]^+$: 404.1; Found: 404.1; HRMS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{19}\text{NNaO}_4\text{S}]^+$: 404.0932; Found: 404.0930.

2-octylpyridine 1-oxide

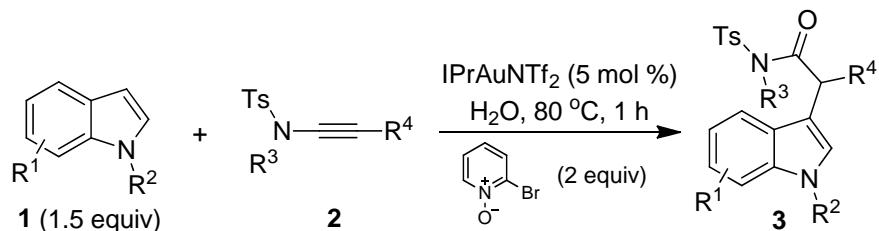


The above water-insoluble *N*-oxide was prepared according to the known procedure.¹⁵ ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.17 (d, 1H, $J = 6.4$ Hz), 7.19 – 7.09 (m, 2H), 7.08 – 7.02 (m, 1H), 2.84 (t, 2H, $J = 7.6$ Hz), 1.71 – 1.58 (m, 2H), 1.41 – 1.11 (m, 10H), 0.79 (t, 3H, $J = 6.8$ Hz); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 152.6, 139.5, 125.4, 125.1, 123.1, 31.7, 30.3, 29.3, 29.2, 29.0, 25.9, 22.5, 13.9; IR (neat): 2594, 2924, 2853, 1488, 1437, 1245, 1178, 1119, 850, 765; MS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{21}\text{NNaO}]^+$: 230.2; Found: 230.1; HRMS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{21}\text{NNaO}]^+$: 230.1521; Found: 230.1515.

2-tetradecylpyridine 1-oxide



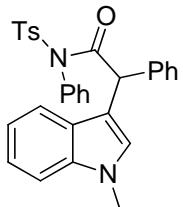
The above water-insoluble *N*-oxide was prepared according to the known procedure.¹⁵ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.18 (d, 1H, *J* = 6.4 Hz), 7.21 – 7.10 (m, 2H), 7.09 – 7.02 (m, 1H), 2.84 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 1.73 – 1.51 (m, 2H), 1.42 – 1.07 (m, 22H), 0.80 (t, 3H, *J* = 6.8 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 152.5, 139.4, 125.3, 125.1, 123.0, 31.7, 30.3, 29.6, 29.5, 29.4, 29.3, 29.2, 29.1, 29.0, 25.8, 22.5, 13.9; IR (neat): 2923, 2852, 1464, 1439, 1275, 1260, 1179, 1075, 750; MS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₁₉H₃₃NNaO]⁺: 314.2; Found: 314.2; HRMS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₁₉H₃₃NNaO]⁺: 314.2460; Found: 314.2458.



General procedure for the synthesis of 3:

Ynamide **2** (0.30 mmol), 2-bromopyridine *N*-oxide (104.4 mg, 0.60 mmol), and IPrAuNTf₂ (13.5 mg, 0.015 mmol) were added in this order to a suspension of the indole **1** (0.45 mmol) in H₂O (3.0 mL) at room temperature. The reaction mixture was stirred at 80 °C and the progress of the reaction was monitored by TLC. The reaction typically took 1 h. Upon completion, the reaction diluted with DCM (30 mL) and washed with H₂O (2 × 15 mL). The resulting solution was extracted again with DCM (30 mL) and the combined organic layers were dried with MgSO₄. The mixture was then concentrated and the residue was purified by chromatography on silica gel (eluent: hexanes/ethyl acetate) to afford the desired product **3**.

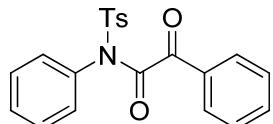
2-(1-methyl-1H-indol-3-yl)-N,2-diphenyl-N-tosylacetamide (3a)



3a

Compound **3a** was prepared in 86% yield by the reaction of indole **1a** with ynamide **2a** according to the general procedure (Table 2, entry 1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.93 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 7.46 (t, 1H, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.36 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.29 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.23 – 7.08 (m, 7H), 7.01 – 6.97 (m, 2H), 6.91 – 6.89 (m, 2H), 6.68 (s, 1H), 4.92 (s, 1H), 3.64 (s, 3H), 2.44 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.9, 144.7, 137.8, 136.8, 136.1, 136.0, 130.3, 130.0, 129.5, 129.3, 129.2, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 127.2, 126.6, 121.7, 119.1, 118.3, 111.6, 109.2, 48.5, 32.7, 21.6; IR (neat): 2923, 2250, 1701(s), 1594, 1488, 1361, 1172, 1144, 1087, 741, 695, 563; MS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₃₀H₂₆N₂NaO₃S]⁺: 517.1; Found: 517.1; HRMS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₃₀H₂₆N₂NaO₃S]⁺: 517.1562; Found: 517.1564.

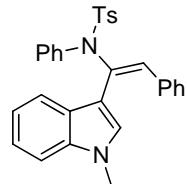
oxo-N,2-diphenyl-N-tosylacetamide (3aa)



3aa

This compound is known and the spectroscopic data match those reported.¹⁶ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.94 – 7.91 (m, 2H), 7.75 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.66 – 7.63 (m, 1H), 7.54 – 7.50 (m, 2H), 7.45 – 7.33 (m, 5H), 7.13 (d, 2H, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 2.47 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 187.6, 166.6, 145.9, 134.6, 134.1, 133.5, 132.7, 130.6, 130.1, 129.8, 129.6, 129.5, 129.1, 128.9, 21.7.

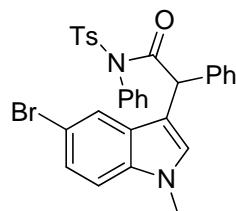
(E)-4-methyl-N-(1-(1-methyl-1H-indol-3-yl)-2-phenylvinyl)-N-phenylbenzenesulfonamide (**3ab**)



3ab

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.60 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.41 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.27 - 7.17 (m, 8H), 7.12 - 7.05 (m, 6H), 6.85 – 6.80 (m, 1H), 6.54 (s, 1H), 3.67 (s, 3H), 2.41 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 143.2, 140.1, 138.4, 136.8, 136.0, 133.8, 131.3, 129.3, 128.8, 128.6, 127.9, 127.8, 127.8, 126.9, 126.8, 125.9, 121.5, 121.2, 119.6, 111.5, 109.0, 32.9, 21.5; IR: 2958, 2921, 2849, 1596, 1491, 1472, 1351, 1163, 1090, 742, 695, 667; MS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₃₀H₂₆N₂NaO₂S]⁺: 501.2; Found: 501.1; HRMS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₃₀H₂₆N₂NaO₂S]⁺: 501.1613; Found: 501.1615.

2-(5-bromo-1-methyl-1H-indol-3-yl)-N,2-diphenyl-N-tosylacetamide (**3b**)

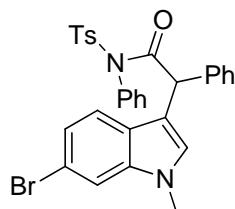


3b

Compound **3b** was prepared in 83% yield by the reaction of indole **1b** with ynamide **2a** according to the general procedure (Table 2, entry 2). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.96 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.54 (t, 1H, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 7.43 (t, 2H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.35 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.26 – 7.20 (m, 4H), 7.14 – 7.09 (m, 3H), 7.08 – 7.00 (m, 3H), 6.77 (s, 1H), 4.90 (s, 1H), 3.66 (s, 3H), 2.48 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.6, 144.8, 137.4, 135.9, 135.8, 135.4, 130.3, 130.1, 129.6, 129.5, 129.3, 129.2, 128.5, 128.4, 128.2, 127.3, 124.6, 120.8, 112.6, 111.2, 110.8, 48.3, 32.9, 21.7; IR (neat): 3063, 3027, 2928, 2253, 1702(s), 1594, 1488, 1363, 1173, 1149, 1126, 1087, 910, 800, 732, 696, 652, 567; MS (ES⁺)

Calculated for $[C_{30}H_{25}BrN_2NaO_3S]^+$: 595.1; Found: 595.2; HRMS (ES⁺) Calculated for $[C_{30}H_{25}BrN_2NaO_3S]^+$: 595.0667; Found: 595.0672.

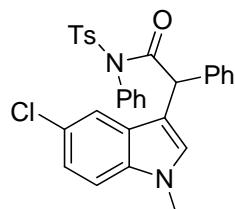
2-(6-bromo-1-methyl-1H-indol-3-yl)-N,2-diphenyl-N-tosylacetamide (3c)



3c

Compound **3c** was prepared in 92% yield by the reaction of indole **1c** with ynamide **2a** according to the general procedure (Table 2, entry 3). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.91 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.45 (t, 1H, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.38 – 7.33 (m, 3H), 7.28 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.18 – 7.14 (m, 3H), 7.11 – 7.06 (m, 2H), 6.99 – 6.94 (m, 3H), 6.75 (d, 1H, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 6.63 (s, 1H), 4.87 (s, 1H), 3.57 (s, 3H), 2.43 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.6, 144.8, 137.6, 137.5, 135.9, 135.8, 130.3, 130.0, 129.5, 129.3, 128.9, 128.4, 128.3, 127.3, 125.4, 122.4, 119.6, 115.4, 112.3, 112.0, 48.4, 32.7, 21.6; IR (neat): 2923, 2250, 1702(s), 1594, 1475, 1360, 1172, 1143, 1087, 912, 764, 747, 695, 563; MS (ES⁺) Calculated for $[C_{30}H_{25}BrN_2NaO_3S]^+$: 595.1; Found: 595.1; HRMS (ES⁺) Calculated for $[C_{30}H_{25}BrN_2NaO_3S]^+$: 595.0667; Found: 595.0671.

2-(5-chloro-1-methyl-1H-indol-3-yl)-N,2-diphenyl-N-tosylacetamide (3d)

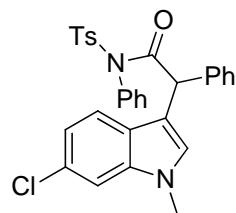


3d

Compound **3d** was prepared in 82% yield by the reaction of indole **1d** with ynamide **2a** according to the general procedure (Table 2, entry 4). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.92 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 7.50 – 7.47 (m, 1H), 7.41 – 7.36 (m, 2H), 7.30 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.0 Hz),

7.20 – 7.17 (m, 3H), 7.13 – 7.05 (m, 4H) , 7.00 – 6.96 (m, 2H), 6.83 (d, 1H, J = 1.2 Hz) , 6.73 (s, 1H), 4.85 (s, 1H) , 3.63 (s, 3H) , 2.44 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 171.6, 144.8, 137.5, 136.0, 135.2, 130.4, 130.1, 129.7, 129.6, 129.3, 129.2, 128.5, 128.4, 127.5, 127.4, 125.1, 122.1, 117.8, 111.4, 110.4, 48.4, 32.9, 21.7; IR (neat): 2926, 2253, 1702(s), 1488, 1477, 1361, 1187, 1172, 1147, 1087, 795, 695, 652, 564; MS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{25}\text{ClN}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 551.1; Found: 551.1; HRMS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{25}\text{ClN}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 551.1172; Found: 551.1170.

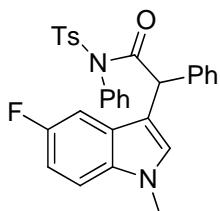
2-(6-chloro-1-methyl-1H-indol-3-yl)-N,2-diphenyl-N-tosylacetamide (3e)



3e

Compound **3e** was prepared in 84% yield by the reaction of indole **1e** with ynamide **2a** according to the general procedure (Table 2, entry 5). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.91 (d, 2H, J = 8.4 Hz), 7.47 – 7.44 (m, 1H), 7.36 (t, 2H, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.29 (d, 2H, J = 8.0 Hz), 7.20 – 7.16 (m, 4H), 7.10 – 7.06 (m, 2H), 6.98 – 6.95 (m, 2H), 6.87 – 6.83 (m, 1H), 6.81 – 6.78 (m, 1H), 6.65 (s, 1H), 4.87 (s, 1H), 3.59 (s, 3H), 2.44 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 171.6, 144.8, 137.6, 137.2, 136.0, 135.9, 130.3, 130.0, 129.6, 129.3, 129.2, 129.0, 128.5, 128.4, 127.8, 127.3, 125.1, 119.8, 119.2, 112.0, 109.3, 48.5, 32.8, 21.6; IR (neat): 2923, 1703(s), 1597, 1488, 1453, 1361, 1327, 1172, 1148, 1087, 747, 696, 568; MS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{25}\text{ClN}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 551.1; Found: 551.1; HRMS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{25}\text{ClN}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 551.1172; Found: 551.1181.

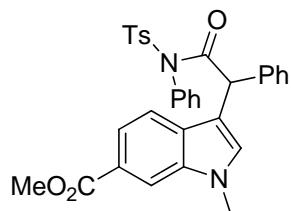
2-(5-fluoro-1-methyl-1H-indol-3-yl)-N,2-diphenyl-N-tosylacetamide (3f)



3f

Compound **3f** was prepared in 79% yield by the reaction of indole **1f** with ynamide **2a** according to the general procedure except that using 1.0 equiv of indole **1f** and 1.5 equiv of ynamide **2a** (**2a** was added in two portions, 1 equiv at the beginning and the residue in 1 h later) (Table 2, entry 6). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.92 (d, 2H, J = 8.4 Hz), 7.50 – 7.44 (m, 1H), 7.40 – 7.34 (m, 2H), 7.29 (d, 2H, J = 8.0 Hz), 7.21 – 7.16 (m, 3H), 7.12 – 7.06 (m, 3H), 7.02 – 6.94 (m, 2H), 6.86 (td, 1H, J = 2.4 Hz, J = 8.8 Hz), 6.71 (s, 1H), 6.51 (dd, 1H, J = 2.4 Hz, J = 9.6 Hz), 4.83 (s, 1H), 3.62 (s, 3H), 2.43 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 171.6, 157.6 (d, J = 233.4 Hz), 144.8, 137.5, 136.0 (d, J = 6.5 Hz), 133.4, 130.3, 130.0, 129.9, 129.5, 129.3, 129.2, 128.5, 128.4, 127.3, 111.6, 110.1 (d, J = 21.5 Hz), 110.0, 109.9, 103.2 (d, J = 23.6 Hz), 48.5, 32.9, 21.6; IR (neat): 3060, 3029, 2923, 2850, 2250, 1702(s), 1594, 1489, 1360, 1172, 1145, 1087, 910, 695; MS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{25}\text{FN}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 535.1; Found: 535.1; HRMS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{25}\text{FN}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 535.1468; Found: 535.1472.

methyl 1-methyl-3-(2-(4-methyl-N-phenylphenylsulfonamido)-2-oxo-1-phenylethyl)-1H-indole-6-carboxylate (3g)

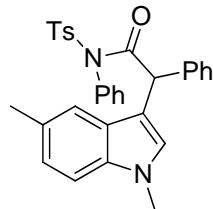


3g

Compound **3g** was prepared in 75% yield by the reaction of indole **1g** with ynamide **2a** according to the general procedure except that using 1.0 equiv of indole **1g** and 1.5 equiv of ynamide **2a** (**2a** was added in two portions, 1 equiv at the beginning and the residue in 1 h later) (Table 2, entry 7). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.99 (s, 1H), 7.92 (d, 2H, J =

8.4 Hz), 7.59 (dd, 1H, J = 1.2 Hz J = 8.4 Hz), 7.47 (t, 1H, J = 7.2 Hz), 7.37 (t, 2H, J = 8.0 Hz), 7.29 (d, 2H, J = 8.0 Hz), 7.21 – 7.16 (m, 3H), 7.08 (d, 2H, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.01 – 6.96 (m, 2H), 6.90 (d, 1H, J = 8.4 Hz), 6.85 (s, 1H), 4.93 (s, 1H), 3.90 (s, 3H), 3.70 (s, 3H), 2.44 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 171.6, 167.9, 144.8, 137.4, 136.1, 135.9, 135.8, 131.6, 130.3, 130.0, 129.9, 129.6, 129.3, 128.5, 128.4, 127.3, 123.4, 120.2, 117.8, 112.2, 111.7, 99.9, 51.8, 48.4, 32.9, 21.6; IR (neat): 2923, 2253, 1709(s), 1596, 1488, 1361, 1268, 1173, 1148, 1087, 768, 745, 696, 568; MS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{28}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_5\text{S}]^+$: 575.2; Found: 575.2; HRMS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{28}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_5\text{S}]^+$: 575.1617; Found: 575.1620.

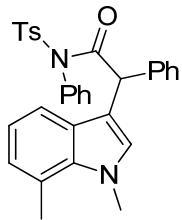
2-(1,5-dimethyl-1H-indol-3-yl)-N,2-diphenyl-N-tosylacetamide (3h)



3h

Compound **3h** was prepared in 92% yield by the reaction of indole **1h** with ynamide **2a** according to the general procedure (Table 2, entry 8). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.91 (d, 2H, J = 8.4 Hz), 7.44 (t, 1H, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.33 (t, 2H, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.27 (d, 2H, J = 8.4 Hz), 7.17 – 7.14 (m, 3H), 7.10 – 7.05 (m, 3H), 7.01 – 6.97 (m, 2H), 6.95 – 6.92 (dd, 1H, J = 1.2 Hz, J = 8.0 Hz), 6.65 (s, 1H), 6.60 (s, 1H), 4.90 (s, 1H), 3.57 (s, 3H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 2.26 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 171.9, 144.6, 137.9, 136.1, 136.0, 135.2, 130.3, 129.8, 129.4, 129.2, 129.1, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 127.1, 126.8, 123.3, 117.8, 110.8, 108.9, 48.4, 32.7, 21.5, 21.3; IR (neat): 3060, 3024, 2917, 2856, 2253, 1702(s), 1591, 1489, 1454, 1360, 1172, 1143, 1087, 912, 742, 694, 564; MS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{28}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 531.2; Found: 531.2; HRMS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{28}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 531.1718; Found: 531.1720.

2-(1,7-dimethyl-1H-indol-3-yl)-N,2-diphenyl-N-tosylacetamide (3i)

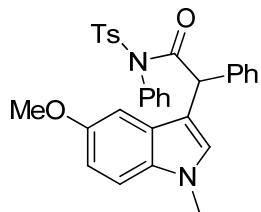


3i

Compound **3i** was prepared in 85% yield by the reaction of indole **1i** with ynamide **2a** according to the general procedure except with 1.05 equiv of indole **1i** (Table 2, entry 9).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.92 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 7.46 (t, 1H, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 7.36 (t, 2H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.29 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.18 – 7.14 (m, 3H), 7.10 (d, 2H, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 6.99 – 6.96 (m, 2H), 6.80 (d, 1H, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 6.76 – 6.67 (m, 2H), 6.57 (s, 1H), 4.87 (s, 1H), 3.90 (s, 3H), 2.67 (s, 3H), 2.44 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.8, 144.6, 137.8, 136.1, 136.0, 135.5, 130.3, 129.9, 129.5, 129.3, 129.2, 128.4, 128.3, 127.6, 127.1, 124.4, 121.2, 119.3, 116.3, 111.3, 48.4, 36.7, 21.6, 19.5; IR (neat): 2920, 1703(s), 1597, 1488, 1454, 1360, 1275, 1259, 1172, 1147, 1124, 1087, 763, 748, 695, 564; MS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₃₁H₂₈N₂NaO₃S]⁺: 531.2; Found: 531.2; HRMS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₃₁H₂₈N₂NaO₃S]⁺: 531.1718; Found: 531.1722.

2-(5-methoxy-1-methyl-1H-indol-3-yl)-N,2-diphenyl-N-tosylacetamide (**3j**)

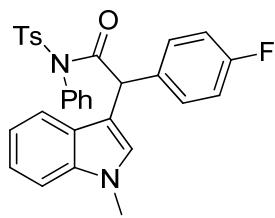


3j

Compound **3j** was prepared in 94% yield by the reaction of indole **1j** with ynamide **2a** according to the general procedure except using H₂O/DCE = 10/1 as the solvent (Table 2, entry 10). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.90 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 7.43 (t, 1H, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 7.33 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.25 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.19 – 7.14 (m, 3H), 7.11 – 7.06 (m, 3H), 7.02 – 6.99 (m, 2H), 6.78 (dd, 1H, *J* = 2.0 Hz, *J* = 8.8 Hz), 6.60 (s, 1H), 6.37 (d, 1H, *J* = 2.0 Hz), 4.86 (s, 1H), 3.64 (s, 3H), 3.56 (s, 3H), 2.39 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz,

CDCl_3) δ 171.8, 153.7, 144.6, 137.7, 136.0, 135.9, 132.1, 130.2, 129.8, 129.4, 129.1, 128.8, 128.4, 128.3, 127.1, 126.8, 111.7, 110.7, 109.9, 100.3, 55.6, 48.4, 32.7, 21.5; IR (neat): 2920, 2830, 1702(s), 1591, 1491, 1453, 1361, 1212, 1172, 1145, 1087, 695, 564; MS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{28}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_4\text{S}]^+$: 547.2; Found: 547.1; HRMS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{28}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_4\text{S}]^+$: 547.1667; Found: 547.1663.

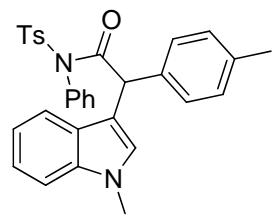
2-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-(1-methyl-1H-indol-3-yl)-N-phenyl-N-tosylacetamide (3k)



3k

Compound **3k** was prepared in 84% yield by the reaction of indole **1a** with ynamide **2b** according to the general procedure except with 1.05 equiv of indole **1a** (Table 2, entry 11). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.93 – 7.90 (m, 2H), 7.48 – 7.44 (m, 1H), 7.36 (t, 2H, J = 7.5 Hz), 7.31 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 7.23 – 7.20 (m, 1H), 7.16 – 7.12 (m, 1H), 7.10 – 7.07 (m, 2H), 6.99 – 6.95 (m, 2H), 6.91 – 6.83 (m, 4H), 6.67 (s, 1H), 4.90 (s, 1H), 3.65 (s, 3H), 2.44 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 171.8, 162.1 (d, J = 244.5 Hz), 144.8, 136.9, 136.1 (d, J = 8.4 Hz), 133.7, 130.3, 130.2 (d, J = 8.1 Hz), 130.1, 129.6, 129.4, 129.3, 128.2, 126.5, 121.9, 119.3, 118.3, 115.2 (d, J = 21.3 Hz), 111.5, 109.4, 99.9, 47.8, 32.8, 21.7; IR (neat): 3055, 2923, 2850, 1704(s), 1597, 1507, 1488, 1361, 1225, 1173, 1145, 1087, 742, 694, 565; MS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{25}\text{FN}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 535.1; Found: 535.1; HRMS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{25}\text{FN}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 535.1468; Found: 535.1475.

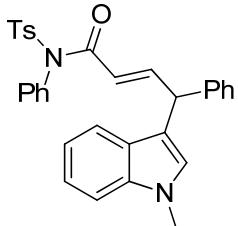
2-(1-methyl-1H-indol-3-yl)-N-phenyl-2-(p-tolyl)-N-tosylacetamide (3l)



3l

Compound **3l** was prepared in 79% yield by the reaction of indole **1a** with ynamide **2c** according to the general procedure except with 1.05 equiv of indole **1a** (Table 2, entry 12). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.92 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 7.46 (t, 1H, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 7.36 (t, 2H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.29 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 7.22 – 7.19 (m, 1H), 7.15 – 7.07 (m, 3H), 6.98 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 6.91 – 6.86 (m, 4H), 6.68 (s, 1H), 4.88 (s, 1H), 3.65 (s, 3H), 2.44 (s, 3H), 2.26 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 172.0, 144.6, 136.8, 136.2, 136.1, 134.9, 130.4, 129.9, 129.5, 129.3, 129.2, 129.1, 128.4, 128.3, 126.6, 121.7, 119.1, 118.3, 111.9, 109.2, 48.2, 32.7, 21.6, 21.0; IR (neat): 2920, 2253, 1704(s), 1591, 1488, 1361, 1172, 1143, 1118, 1087, 912, 817, 740, 694, 565; MS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₃₁H₂₈N₂NaO₃S]⁺: 531.2; Found: 531.2; HRMS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₃₁H₂₈N₂NaO₃S]⁺: 531.1718; Found: 531.1716.

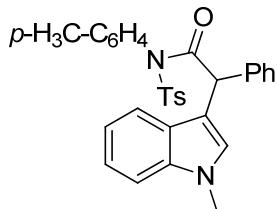
(E)-4-(1-methyl-1H-indol-3-yl)-N,4-diphenyl-N-tosylbut-2-enamide (**3m**)



3m

Compound **3m** was prepared in 88% yield by the reaction of indole **1a** with ynamide **2d** according to the general procedure (Table 2, entry 13). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.88 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.42 – 7.29 (m, 6H), 7.25 – 7.13 (m, 7H), 7.12 – 7.03 (m, 3H), 6.96 – 6.92 (m, 1H), 6.58 (s, 1H), 5.44 (dd, 1H, *J* = 1.2 Hz *J* = 15.2 Hz), 4.83 (d, 1H, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 3.66 (s, 3H), 2.42 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.3, 150.8, 144.7, 140.9, 137.2, 136.2, 135.9, 130.2, 129.6, 129.5, 129.3, 129.2, 128.4, 128.1, 127.1, 126.7, 122.0, 121.7, 119.2, 119.0, 114.6, 109.2, 45.4, 32.6, 21.6; IR (neat): 3057, 3024, 2926, 2856, 2253, 1691(s), 1633, 1597, 1488, 1363, 1329, 1260, 1187, 1173, 1162, 1088, 908, 737, 696, 575; MS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₃₂H₂₈N₂NaO₃S]⁺: 543.2; Found: 543.2; HRMS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₃₂H₂₈N₂NaO₃S]⁺: 543.1718; Found: 543.1718.

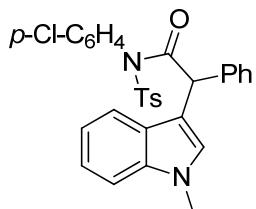
2-(1-methyl-1H-indol-3-yl)-2-phenyl-N-(p-tolyl)-N-tosylacetamide (3n)



3n

Compound **3n** was prepared in 88% yield by the reaction of indole **1a** with ynamide **2e** according to the general procedure (Table 2, entry 14). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.91 (d, 2H, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 7.27 (d, 2H, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 7.22 – 7.11 (m, 7H), 7.04 – 6.95 (m, 4H), 6.94 – 6.87 (s, 2H), 6.68 (s, 1H), 4.96 (s, 1H), 3.62 (s, 3H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 2.39 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 171.9, 144.5, 140.2, 137.9, 136.8, 136.1, 133.4, 130.2, 129.9, 129.3, 129.2, 128.5, 128.3, 127.1, 126.6, 121.7, 118.9, 118.3, 111.7, 109.2, 48.4, 32.6, 21.6, 21.2; IR (neat): 3054, 2920, 2844, 1702(s), 1596, 1360, 1331, 1171, 1143, 1087, 898, 764, 746, 698, 669, 561; MS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{28}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 531.2; Found: 531.2; HRMS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{28}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 531.1718; Found: 531.1716.

N-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-(1-methyl-1H-indol-3-yl)-2-phenyl-N-tosylacetamide (3o)

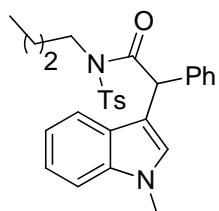


3o

Compound **3o** was prepared in 97% yield by the reaction of indole **1a** with ynamide **2f** according to the general procedure (Table 2, entry 15). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.89 (d, 2H, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 7.34 – 7.27 (m, 4H), 7.21 – 7.12 (m, 5H), 7.03 – 6.97 (m, 4H), 6.94 – 6.91 (m, 2H), 6.67 (s, 1H), 4.92 (s, 1H), 3.64 (s, 3H), 2.44 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 171.5, 144.9, 137.6, 136.8, 136.2, 135.7, 134.5, 131.6, 129.7, 129.3,

129.2, 128.5, 128.3, 127.3, 126.5, 121.9, 119.2, 118.2, 111.4, 109.3, 48.7, 32.7, 21.6; IR (neat): 3060, 3029, 2926, 2850, 1705(s), 1597, 1487, 1362, 1172, 1144, 1088, 1011, 912, 744, 565; MS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{25}\text{ClN}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 551.1; Found: 551.1; HRMS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{25}\text{ClN}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 551.1172; Found: 551.1180.

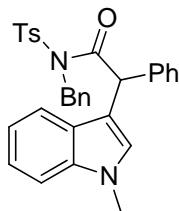
2-(1-methyl-1H-indol-3-yl)-2-phenyl-N-propyl-N-tosylacetamide (3p)



3p

Compound **3p** was prepared in 93% yield by the reaction of indole **1a** with ynamide **2g** according to the general procedure (Table 2, entry 16). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.64 (d, 2H, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 7.28 – 7.14 (m, 8H), 7.09 (d, 2H, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 7.01 – 6.95 (m, 1H), 6.57 (s, 1H), 5.83 (s, 1H), 3.92 – 3.75 (m, 2H), 3.62 (s, 3H), 2.32 (s, 3H), 1.81 – 1.71 (m, 2H), 1.40 – 1.32 (m, 2H), 0.92 (t, 3H, $J = 7.6$ Hz); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 172.3, 144.2, 138.2, 136.9, 136.6, 129.2, 128.6, 128.4, 128.1, 127.8, 127.1, 126.7, 121.8, 119.2, 118.7, 111.6, 109.2, 48.1, 47.0, 32.6, 32.5, 21.4, 20.0, 13.6; IR (neat): 3060, 2926, 2853, 1701(s), 1597, 1488, 1466, 1453, 1360, 1187, 1172, 1145, 1087, 736, 695, 652, 563; MS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{30}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 497.2; Found: 497.2; HRMS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{30}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 497.1875; Found: 497.1877.

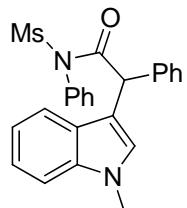
N-benzyl-2-(1-methyl-1H-indol-3-yl)-2-phenyl-N-tosylacetamide (3q)



3q

Compound **3q** was prepared in 87% yield by the reaction of indole **1a** with ynamide **2h** according to the general procedure (Table 2, entry 17). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.69 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.40 – 7.32 (m, 5H), 7.21 – 7.12 (m, 7H), 7.00 (d, 1H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 6.95 – 6.90 (m, 3H), 6.41 (s, 1H), 5.57 (s, 1H), 5.16 (d, 1H, *J* = 16.8 Hz), 4.99 (d, 1H, *J* = 16.8 Hz), 3.56 (s, 3H), 2.35 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 172.4, 144.4, 137.7, 137.0, 136.9, 136.1, 129.2, 128.9, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 127.9, 127.8, 127.1, 127.0, 126.6, 121.9, 119.2, 118.5, 110.9, 109.2, 49.7, 48.2, 32.6, 21.5; IR (neat): 3063, 3027, 2926, 2850, 2250, 1702(s), 1597, 1495, 1454, 1351, 1167, 1113, 912, 814, 742, 700, 664, 545; MS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₃₁H₂₈N₂NaO₃S]⁺: 531.2; Found: 531.2; HRMS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₃₁H₂₈N₂NaO₃S]⁺: 531.1718; Found: 531.1718.

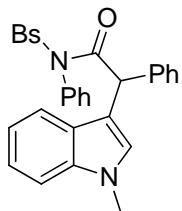
2-(1-methyl-1H-indol-3-yl)-N-(methylsulfonyl)-N,2-diphenylacetamide (3r)



3r

Compound **3r** was prepared in 70% yield by the reaction of indole **1a** with ynamide **2i** according to the general procedure (Table 2, entry 18). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.49 (t, 1H, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.40 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.23 – 7.25 (m, 4H), 7.23 – 7.07 (m, 6H), 7.06 – 6.97 (m, 2H), 5.06 (s, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 2.47 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 173.5, 137.7, 136.8, 135.2, 130.1, 129.6, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 127.4, 126.5, 121.8, 119.2, 118.2, 111.3, 109.3, 48.3, 42.2, 32.8; IR (neat): 2958, 2923, 2870, 1696, 1596, 1494, 1467, 1450, 1290, 1080, 908, 811, 739, 698, 580; MS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₂₄H₂₂N₂NaO₃S]⁺: 441.1; Found: 441.1; HRMS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₂₄H₂₂N₂NaO₃S]⁺: 441.1249; Found: 441.1253.

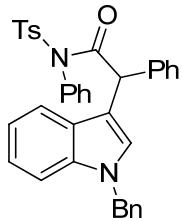
N-((4-bromophenyl)sulfonyl)-2-(1-methyl-1H-indol-3-yl)-N,2-diphenylacetamide (3s)



3s

Compound **3s** was prepared in 90% yield by the reaction of indole **1a** with ynamide **2j** according to the general procedure (Table 2, entry 19). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.93 (d, 2H, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 7.67 (d, 2H, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 7.51 (t, 1H, $J = 7.6$ Hz), 7.40 (t, 2H, $J = 7.6$ Hz), 7.29 – 7.15 (m, 5H), 7.10 (d, 2H, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 7.06 – 6.98 (m, 2H), 6.97 – 6.88 (m, 2H), 6.68 (s, 1H), 4.94 (s, 1H), 3.68 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 172.0, 137.7, 137.5, 136.7, 135.6, 131.9, 130.8, 130.2, 129.6, 128.9, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 127.3, 126.4, 121.2, 119.2, 118.1, 111.3, 109.3, 48.5, 32.7; IR (neat): 3063, 2926, 2254, 1703, 1598, 1530, 1489, 1470, 1360, 1326, 1280, 1050, 1030, 931, 839, 625; MS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{23}\text{BrN}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 581.1; Found: 581.0; HRMS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{23}\text{BrN}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 581.0510; Found: 581.0512.

2-(1-benzyl-1H-indol-3-yl)-N,2-diphenyl-N-tosylacetamide (**3t**)

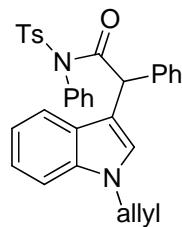


3t

Compound **3t** was prepared in 86% yield by the reaction of indole **1k** with ynamide **2a** according to the general procedure (Table 2, entry 20). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.90 (d, 2H, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 7.43 (t, 1H, $J = 7.6$ Hz), 7.33 (t, 2H, $J = 7.2$ Hz), 7.29 – 7.20 (m, 5H), 7.19 – 7.13 (m, 4H), 7.11 – 7.05 (m, 3H), 7.03 – 6.99 (m, 4H), 6.93 – 6.85 (m, 2H), 6.76 (s, 1H), 5.17 (s, 2H), 4.95 (s, 1H), 2.39 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 171.7, 144.6, 137.7, 137.4, 136.5, 136.1, 136.0, 130.3, 129.9, 129.5, 129.3, 129.2, 128.7, 128.6, 128.4, 127.8, 127.6, 127.2, 126.8, 126.5, 121.9, 119.4, 118.6, 112.2, 109.8, 50.0,

48.6, 21.6; IR (neat): 3060, 3027, 2923, 2853, 1702(s), 1596, 1488, 1466, 1453, 1360, 1305, 1264, 1187, 1172, 1145, 1087, 812, 738, 695, 652, 563; MS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{36}\text{H}_{30}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 593.2; Found: 593.2; HRMS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{36}\text{H}_{30}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 593.1875; Found: 593.1877.

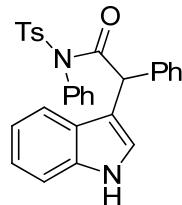
2-(1-allyl-1H-indol-3-yl)-N,2-diphenyl-N-tosylacetamide (3u)



3u

Compound **3u** was prepared in 82% yield by the reaction of indole **1I** with ynamide **2a** according to the general procedure (Table 2, entry 21). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.92 (d, 2H, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 7.44 (t, 1H, $J = 7.6$ Hz), 7.34 (t, 2H, $J = 7.6$ Hz), 7.27 (d, 2H, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 7.21 – 7.14 (m, 4H), 7.11 – 7.07 (m, 3H), 7.02 – 6.98 (m, 2H), 6.91 – 6.86 (m, 2H), 6.71 (s, 1H), 5.94 – 5.83 (m, 1H), 5.15 – 5.11 (m, 1H), 5.02 – 4.97 (m, 1H), 4.93 (s, 1H), 4.56 (d, 2H, $J = 5.2$ Hz), 2.42 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 171.7, 144.6, 137.7, 136.2, 136.1, 136.0, 133.2, 130.3, 129.9, 129.5, 129.3, 129.2, 128.5, 128.3, 127.3, 127.2, 126.8, 121.7, 119.2, 118.4, 117.2, 111.9, 109.6, 48.7, 48.5, 21.9; IR (neat): 3027, 3060, 2923, 2853, 2253, 1706(s), 1597, 1487, 1471, 1363, 1167, 1145, 1086, 912, 738, 691; MS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{28}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 543.2; Found: 543.1; HRMS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{28}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 543.1718; Found: 543.1718.

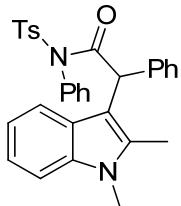
2-(1H-indol-3-yl)-N,2-diphenyl-N-tosylacetamide (3v)



3v

Compound **3v** was prepared in 70% yield by the reaction of 1*H*-indole with ynamide **2a** according to the general procedure except with 1.05 equiv of 1*H*-indole (Table 2, entry 22). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 10.9 (s, 1H), 7.84 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.54 – 7.38 (m, 5H), 7.30 (d, 1H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.23 – 7.10 (m, 5H), 7.05 – 6.91 (m, 3H), 6.79 (s, 2H), 6.70 (s, 1H), 4.88 (s, 1H), 2.44 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 171.2, 145.0, 137.9, 136.1, 135.7, 135.4, 130.2, 130.1, 129.6, 129.5, 128.7, 128.4, 128.3, 127.1, 125.7, 123.9, 121.4, 118.8, 117.8, 111.6, 111.3, 48.1, 21.2; IR (neat): 3354(bs), 2918, 2849, 1686, 1658, 1632, 1486, 1469, 1454, 1423, 1369, 1259, 1173, 1162, 1085, 763, 747, 691, 564; MS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₂₉H₂₄N₂NaO₃S]⁺: 503.1; Found: 503.1; HRMS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₂₉H₂₄N₂NaO₃S]⁺: 503.1405; Found: 503.1401.

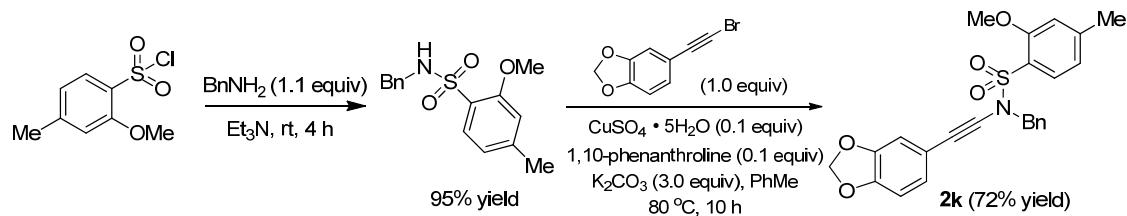
2-(1,2-dimethyl-1*H*-indol-3-yl)-N,2-diphenyl-N-tosylacetamide (**3w**)



3w

Compound **3w** was prepared in 76% yield by the reaction of indole **1m** with ynamide **2a** according to the general procedure (eq 1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.85 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 7.40 – 7.35 (m, 1H), 7.27 – 7.12 (m, 8H), 7.10 – 7.05 (m, 3H), 7.00 (d, 1H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 6.95 – 6.74 (m, 3H), 4.94 (s, 1H), 3.50 (s, 3H), 2.43 (s, 3H), 1.65 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 172.2, 144.6, 138.5, 136.3, 136.1, 135.9, 135.1, 130.3, 129.6, 129.4, 129.2, 128.9, 128.7, 128.1, 126.8, 120.5, 119.3, 118.6, 108.4, 106.1, 49.2, 29.4, 21.6, 9.7; IR (neat): 3060, 3029, 2917, 2853, 1701(s), 1594, 1487, 1471, 1365, 1187, 1173, 1149, 1087, 740, 696, 562; MS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₃₁H₂₈N₂NaO₃S]⁺: 531.2; Found: 531.2; HRMS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₃₁H₂₈N₂NaO₃S]⁺: 531.1718; Found: 531.1719.

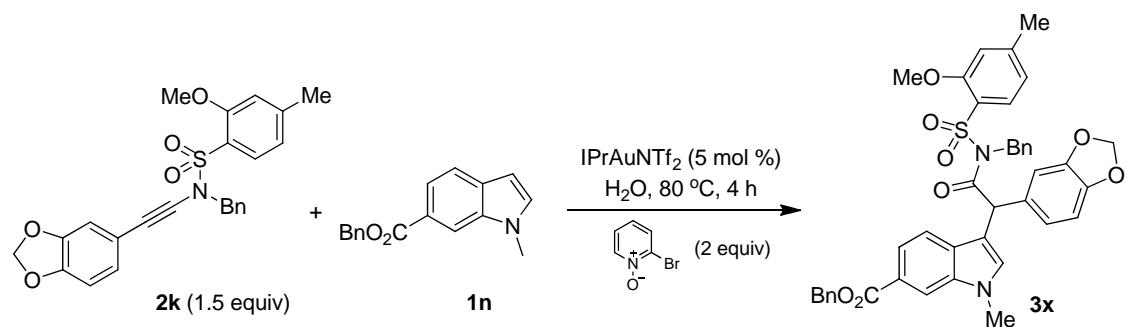
N-(benzo[d][1,3]dioxol-5-ylethynyl)-N-benzyl-2-methoxy-4-methylbenzenesulfonamide (2k)



Compound **2k** was prepared in 68% yield (2 steps) according to the known procedure.¹⁷

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.85 (d, 1H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.35 – 7.26 (m, 5H), 6.85 (d, 1H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 6.79 (s, 1H), 6.73 – 6.60 (m, 3H), 5.87 (s, 2H), 4.70 (s, 2H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 2.40 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.9, 147.2, 147.8, 146.8, 135.4, 131.7, 128.6, 128.3, 127.9, 125.7, 123.0, 120.9, 116.2, 112.9, 111.4, 108.1, 101.0, 81.0, 70.9, 55.9, 55.7, 21.9; IR (neat): 2922, 2853, 2253, 1704(s), 1600, 1487, 1345, 1285, 1250, 1174, 1160, 1144, 1036, 932, 747; MS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₂₄H₂₁NNaO₅S]⁺: 458.1; Found: 458.1; HRMS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₂₄H₂₁NNaO₅S]⁺: 458.1038; Found: 458.1040.

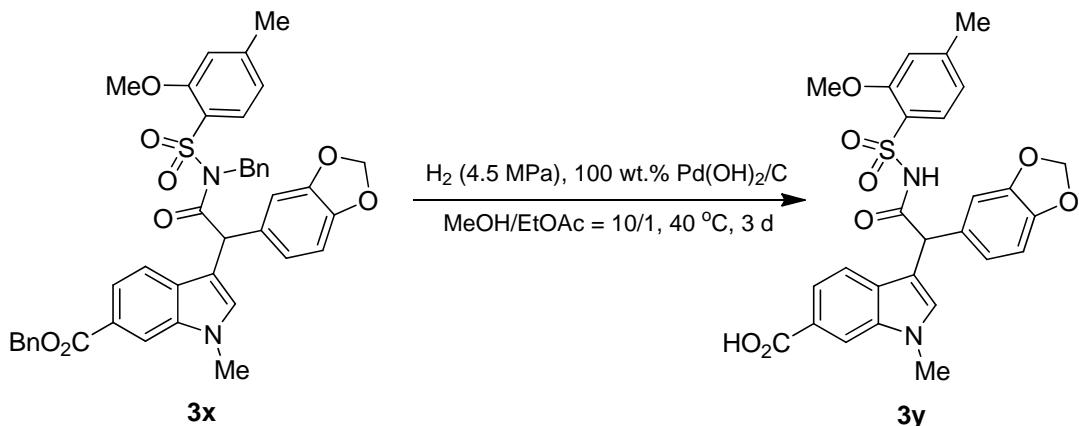
benzyl 3-(1-(benzo[d][1,3]dioxol-5-yl)-2-(N-benzyl-2-methoxy-4-methylphenylsulfonamido)-2-oxoethyl)-1-methyl-1H-indole-6-carboxylate (3x)



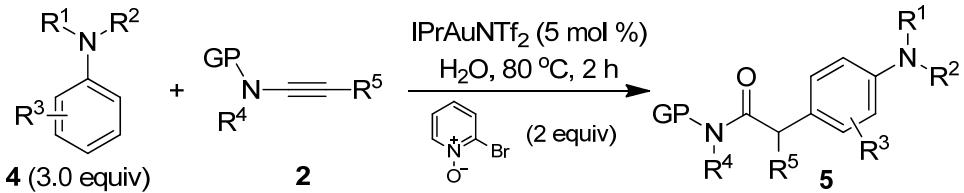
Compound **3x** was prepared in 65% yield by the reaction of indole **1n** with ynamide **2k** according to the general procedure except that using 1.0 equiv of indole **1n** and 1.5 equiv of ynamide **2k** (**2k** was added in two portions, 1 equiv at the beginning and the residue in 1 h later) (Scheme 2). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.00 (s, 1H), 7.96 (d, 1H, *J* = 8.0

Hz), 7.67 (dd, 1H, J = 1.2 Hz, J = 8.4 Hz), 7.47 – 7.27 (m, 10H), 7.11 – 7.02 (m, 1H), 6.81 (d, 1H, J = 7.6 Hz), 6.69 (s, 1H), 6.67 – 6.55 (m, 2H), 6.44 (s, 2H), 5.85 (dd, 2H, J = 1.2 Hz, J = 5.2 Hz), 5.38 (s, 2H), 5.04 (s, 2H), 3.67 (s, 3H), 3.55 (s, 3H), 2.33 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 172.4, 167.4, 158.2, 156.5, 147.6, 147.1, 146.6, 137.4, 136.4, 136.2, 131.3, 128.5, 128.1, 128.0, 121.6, 121.4, 120.4, 112.4, 111.7, 109.1, 107.9, 100.9, 66.4, 55.7, 50.3, 47.7, 32.9, 21.9; IR (neat): 3357, 2920, 2850, 1704(s), 1600, 1487, 1345, 1239, 1204, 1036, 929, 746; MS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{41}\text{H}_{36}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_8\text{S}]^+$: 739.2; Found: 739.2; HRMS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{41}\text{H}_{36}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_8\text{S}]^+$: 739.2090; Found: 739.2097.

3-(1-(benzo[d][1,3]dioxol-5-yl)-2-(2-methoxy-4-methylphenylsulfonamido)-2-oxoethyl)-1-methyl-1H-indole-6-carboxylic acid (3y)



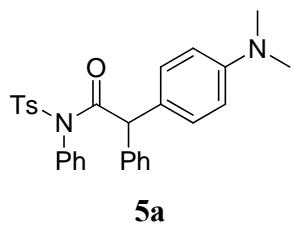
Compound **3y** was prepared in 95% yield according to the known procedure¹⁸ except that catalyst ($\text{Pd}(\text{OH})_2/\text{C}$) was added in two portions, 50 wt. % at the beginning and another 50 wt. % in 2 d later). This compound is known and the spectroscopic data match those reported.⁸ ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CD_3OD) δ 7.98 (s, 1H), 7.80 (s, 1H), 7.68 (d, 1H, J = 8.0 Hz), 7.51 (d, 1H, J = 8.4 Hz), 7.18 (d, 1H, J = 8.4 Hz), 6.87 (s, 1H), 6.78 (d, 1H, J = 8.4 Hz), 6.67 (s, 1H), 6.61 (s, 2H), 6.56 (s, 1H), 5.80 (d, 2H, J = 5.2 Hz), 5.02 (s, 1H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 3.39 (s, 3H), 2.29 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO) δ 171.2, 170.0, 169.0, 157.3, 148.1, 147.2, 136.6, 132.9, 132.4, 131.8, 130.5, 124.5, 124.2, 122.4, 121.4, 120.6, 118.9, 114.0, 112.7, 112.5, 109.3, 108.9, 101.8, 56.6, 48.5, 33.4, 22.2; IR (neat): 2917, 2849, 1722, 1667, 1597, 1435, 1404, 1330, 1276, 1102, 1079, 756; MS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{41}\text{H}_{36}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_8\text{S}]^+$: 559.1; Found: 559.1; HRMS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{41}\text{H}_{36}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_8\text{S}]^+$: 559.1151; Found: 559.1151.



General procedure for the synthesis of 5:

Ynamide **2** (0.30 mmol), 2-bromopyridine *N*-oxide (104.4 mg, 0.60 mmol), and IPrAuNTf₂ (13.5 mg, 0.015 mmol) were added in this order to a suspension of the tertiary aniline **4** (0.90 mmol) in H₂O (3.0 mL) at room temperature. The reaction mixture was stirred at 80 °C and the progress of the reaction was monitored by TLC. The reaction typically took 2 h. Upon completion, the reaction diluted with DCM (30 mL) and washed with H₂O (2 × 15 mL). The resulting solution was extracted again with DCM (30 mL) and the combined organic layers were dried with MgSO₄. The mixture was then concentrated and the residue was purified by chromatography on silica gel (eluent: hexanes/ethyl acetate) to afford the desired product **5**.

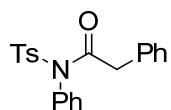
2-(4-(dimethylamino)phenyl)-N,2-diphenyl-N-tosylacetamide (5a)



Compound **5a** was prepared in 89% yield by the reaction of aniline **4a** with ynamide **2a** according to the general procedure. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.92 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 7.47 (t, 1H, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.39 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.31 (d, 2H, *J* = 4 Hz), 7.23 – 7.11 (m, 3H), 7.04 (d, 2H, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 6.97 – 6.88 (m, 2H), 6.77 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.8 Hz), 6.55 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.8 Hz), 4.60 (s, 1H), 2.89 (s, 6H), 2.46 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 172.0, 149.7, 144.6, 138.6, 136.1, 136.0, 130.5, 129.8, 129.4, 129.3, 129.2, 129.1, 128.6,

128.3, 127.0, 125.1, 112.4, 56.1, 40.4, 21.6; IR (neat): 2918(bs), 2849, 1703, 1612, 1520, 1488, 1356, 1171, 1087, 694, 567, 549; MS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{28}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 507.2; Found: 507.1; HRMS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{28}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 507.1718; Found: 507.1721.

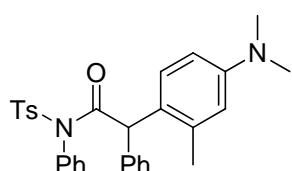
N,2-diphenyl-N-tosylacetamide (3ac)



3ac

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.91 (d, 2H, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 7.51 – 7.41 (m, 3H), 7.32 (d, 2H, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 7.20 – 7.16 (m, 5H), 6.90 – 6.87 (m, 2H), 3.38 (s, 2H), 2.44 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 170.1, 144.9, 136.1, 136.0, 132.9, 130.3, 130.0, 129.7, 129.3, 129.2, 129.1, 128.4, 127.1, 43.4, 21.6.

2-(4-(dimethylamino)-2-methylphenyl)-N,2-diphenyl-N-tosylacetamide (5b)

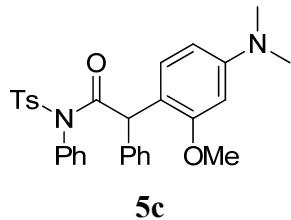


5b

Compound **5b** was prepared in 90% yield by the reaction of aniline **4b** with ynamide **2a** according to the general procedure (Table 3, entry 1). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.96 (d, 2H, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 7.46 (t, 1H, $J = 7.6$ Hz), 7.42 – 7.31 (m, 4H), 7.24 – 7.15 (m, 3H), 7.05 – 6.91 (m, 4H), 6.85 (d, 1H, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 6.46 (dd, 1H, $J = 8.4$ Hz, $J = 2.4$ Hz), 6.39 (d, 1H, $J = 2.4$ Hz), 4.73 (s, 1H), 2.91 (s, 6H), 2.46 (s, 3H), 1.52 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 172.2, 149.7, 144.5, 137.3, 136.8, 136.0, 135.8, 130.3, 129.6, 129.2, 129.1, 128.6, 128.1, 126.9, 123.5, 114.3, 110.0, 53.2, 40.3, 21.5, 19.3; IR (neat): 3063(bs), 2928, 2850, 2253, 1703, 1610, 1511, 1488, 1359, 1187, 1086, 808, 731, 695, 584; MS

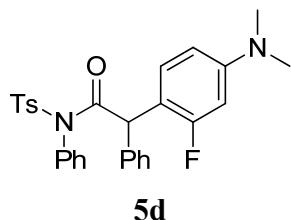
(ES⁺) Calculated for [C₃₀H₃₀N₂NaO₃S]⁺: 521.2; Found: 521.2; HRMS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₃₀H₃₀N₂NaO₃S]⁺: 521.1875; Found: 521.1871.

2-(4-(dimethylamino)-2-methoxyphenyl)-N,2-diphenyl-N-tosylacetamide (5c)



Compound **5c** was prepared in 88% yield by the reaction of aniline **4c** with ynamide **2a** according to the general procedure (Table 3, entry 2). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.97 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 7.49 – 7.29 (m, 5H), 7.25 – 7.16 (m, 3H), 7.14 – 6.80 (m, 4H), 6.47 (d, 1H, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 6.18 – 6.05 (m, 2H), 4.87 (s, 1H), 3.57 (s, 3H), 2.89 (s, 6H), 2.47 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 172.4, 156.9, 151.2, 144.3, 136.3, 136.0, 130.4, 129.5, 129.4, 129.2, 129.0, 128.9, 128.7, 127.0, 115.5, 104.3, 95.5, 54.7, 50.5, 40.5, 21.5; IR (neat): 3448(bs), 2918, 2849, 1704, 1614, 1448, 1452, 1275, 1260, 1143, 1088, 1031, 764, 695, 572; MS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₃₀H₃₀N₂NaO₄S]⁺: 537.2; Found: 537.2; HRMS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₃₀H₃₀N₂NaO₄S]⁺: 537.1824; Found: 537.1825.

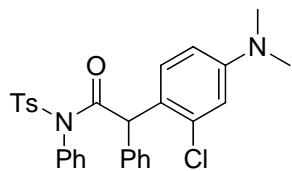
2-(4-(dimethylamino)-2-fluorophenyl)-N,2-diphenyl-N-tosylacetamide (5d)



Compound **5d** was prepared in 75% yield by the reaction of aniline **4d** with ynamide **2a** according to the general procedure (Table 3, entry 3). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.95 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 7.47 (t, 1H, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.42 – 7.29 (m, 4H), 7.27 – 7.17 (m, 3H), 7.13 – 6.97 (m, 2H), 6.95 – 6.88 (m, 2H), 6.75 (t, 1H, *J* = 8.8 Hz), 6.31 (dd, 1H, *J* = 8.8 Hz, *J* = 2.4 Hz), 6.25 (dd, 1H, *J* = 8.8 Hz, *J* = 2.4 Hz), 4.90 (s, 1H), 2.87 (s, 6H), 2.46 (s,

3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 171.5, 160.8 (d, $J = 241.4$ Hz), 151.2 (d, $J = 10.8$ Hz), 144.5, 136.3, 136.0, 135.7, 130.2, 130.1 (d, $J = 5.5$ Hz), 129.8, 129.2, 129.1, 129.0, 128.8, 128.4, 127.4, 112.1 (d, $J = 15.4$ Hz), 107.7 (d, $J = 2.0$ Hz), 98.6 (d, $J = 26.4$ Hz), 49.2 (d, $J = 2.6$ Hz), 40.1, 21.5; IR (neat): 3340(bs), 2918, 2849, 1705, 1630, 1590, 1521, 1480, 1450, 1368, 1187, 1145, 1030, 978, 659, 570; MS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{27}\text{FN}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 525.2; Found: 525.1; HRMS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{27}\text{FN}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 525.1624; Found: 525.1628.

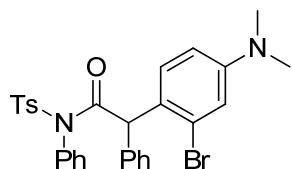
2-(2-chloro-4-(dimethylamino)phenyl)-N,2-diphenyl-N-tosylacetamide (5e)



5e

Compound **5e** was prepared in 65% yield by the reaction of aniline **4e** with ynamide **2a** according to the general procedure (Table 3, entry 4). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.95 (d, 2H, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 7.44 (t, 1H, $J = 7.6$ Hz), 7.41–7.30 (m, 4H), 7.26–7.15 (m, 4H), 6.98–6.81 (m, 3H), 6.75 (d, 1H, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 6.56 (d, 1H, $J = 2.8$ Hz), 6.43 (dd, 1H, $J = 8.8$ Hz, $J = 2.4$ Hz), 5.01 (s, 1H), 2.87 (s, 6H), 2.47 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 171.4, 150.3, 144.5, 136.5, 136.1, 135.5, 134.4, 130.5, 130.3, 129.8, 129.3, 129.2, 129.0, 128.4, 122.8, 127.3, 112.4, 110.7, 53.6, 40.1, 21.6; IR (neat): 2918(bs), 2849, 1704, 1607, 1511, 1488, 1452, 1358, 1196, 1172, 1145, 1086, 694, 565, 549; MS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{27}\text{ClN}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 541.1; Found: 541.1; HRMS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{27}\text{ClN}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 541.1329; Found: 541.1327.

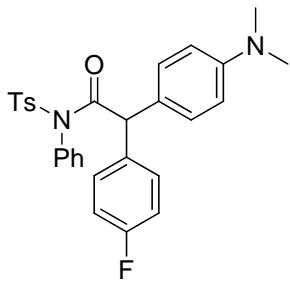
2-(2-bromo-4-(dimethylamino)phenyl)-N,2-diphenyl-N-tosylacetamide (5f)



5f

Compound **5f** was prepared in 63% yield by the reaction of aniline **4f** with ynamide **2a** according to the general procedure (Table 3, entry 5). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.95 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 7.44 (t, 1H, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.41 – 7.27 (m, 4H), 7.25 – 7.14 (m, 3H), 7.11 – 6.83 (m, 4H), 6.82 – 6.72 (m, 2H), 6.49 (dd, 1H, *J* = 8.8 Hz, *J* = 2.4 Hz), 5.00 (s, 1H), 2.87 (s, 6H), 2.47 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.4, 150.3, 144.6, 136.7, 136.0, 135.5, 130.7, 130.4, 129.8, 129.3, 129.2, 129.0, 128.4, 122.4, 127.2, 125.6, 124.3, 115.6, 111.2, 56.1, 40.1, 21.6; IR (neat): 2918(bs), 2851, 1714, 1617, 1508, 1468, 1450, 1356, 1186, 1152, 1145, 1066, 698, 564, 546; MS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₂₉H₂₇BrN₂NaO₃S]⁺: 585.1; Found: 585.1; HRMS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₂₉H₂₇BrN₂NaO₃S]⁺: 585.0823; Found: 585.0825.

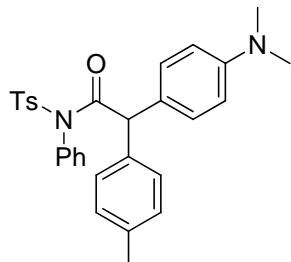
2-(4-(dimethylamino)phenyl)-2-(4-fluorophenyl)-N-phenyl-N-tosylacetamide (5g)



5g

Compound **5g** was prepared in 87% yield by the reaction of aniline **4a** with ynamide **2b** according to the general procedure (Table 3, entry 6). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.93 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 7.48 (t, 1H, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.40 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.33 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.06 (d, 2H, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 6.99 – 6.82 (m, 4H), 6.75 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 6.56 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.8 Hz), 4.60 (s, 1H), 2.91 (s, 6H), 2.46 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.9, 161.7 (d, *J* = 244.2 Hz), 149.7, 144.6, 135.9 (d, *J* = 6 Hz), 134.4 (d, *J* = 3.1 Hz), 130.3, 130.2, 130.1, 129.9, 129.3, 129.2, 129.1, 129.0, 124.7, 115.1 (d, *J* = 21.3 Hz), 112.3, 55.3, 40.3, 21.6; IR (neat): 2918, 2849, 1703, 1611, 1521, 1489, 1452, 1355, 1169, 1142, 1087, 694, 566, 541; MS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₂₉H₂₇FN₂NaO₃S]⁺: 525.2; Found: 525.1; HRMS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₂₉H₂₇FN₂NaO₃S]⁺: 525.1624; Found: 525.1625.

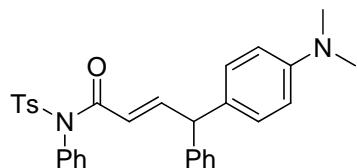
2-(4-(dimethylamino)phenyl)-N-phenyl-2-(p-tolyl)-N-tosylacetamide (5h)



5h

Compound **5h** was prepared in 80% yield by the reaction of aniline **4a** with ynamide **2c** according to the general procedure (Table 3, entry 7). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.94 (d, 2H, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 7.48 (t, 1H, $J = 7.6$ Hz), 7.40 (t, 2H, $J = 7.6$ Hz), 7.32 (d, 2H, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 7.08 (d, 2H, $J = 7.6$ Hz), 7.01 (d, 2H, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 6.84 (d, 2H, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 6.79 (d, 2H, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 6.57 (d, 2H, $J = 8.8$ Hz), 4.60 (s, 1H), 2.90 (s, 6H), 2.46 (s, 3H), 2.28 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 172.2, 149.7, 144.5, 137.3, 136.8, 136.0, 135.8, 130.3, 129.6, 129.2, 129.1, 128.6, 128.1, 126.9, 123.5, 114.3, 110.0, 53.2, 40.3, 21.5, 19.3; IR (neat): 3448, 2917, 2849, 1709, 1611, 1520, 1488, 1451, 1359, 1127, 1115, 1087, 813, 694, 578, 563(bs), 3048, 3020, 2920, 2101, 1513, 1481, 1446, 801, 757, 652, 604; MS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{30}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 521.2; Found: 521.2; HRMS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{30}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 521.1875; Found: 521.1877.

(E)-4-(4-(dimethylamino)phenyl)-N,4-diphenyl-N-tosylbut-2-enamide (5i)

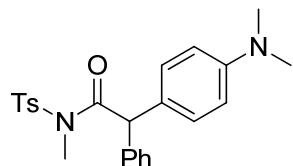


5i

Compound **5i** was prepared in 86% yield by the reaction of aniline **4a** with ynamide **2d** according to the general procedure (Table 3, entry 8). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.91 (d, 2H, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 7.51 – 7.39 (m, 3H), 7.38 - 7.28 (m, 3H), 7.24 – 7.10 (m, 5H), 6.97

(dd, 2H, $J = 6.4$ Hz, $J = 2.4$ Hz), 6.83 (d, 2H, $J = 8.8$ Hz), 6.58 (d, 2H, $J = 8.8$ Hz), 5.39 (dd, 1H, $J = 14.8$ Hz, $J = 1.2$ Hz), 4.53 (d, 1H, $J = 7.6$ Hz), 2.89 (s, 6H), 2.44 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 165.1, 151.4, 149.3, 144.7, 141.8, 136.1, 135.9, 130.2, 129.6, 129.5, 129.3, 129.1, 128.8, 128.7, 128.3, 128.1, 126.5, 122.2, 112.5, 52.5, 40.5, 21.6; IR (neat): 3026(bs), 2919, 2849, 1690, 1632, 1519, 1488, 1358, 1223, 1187, 1159, 1088, 1029, 973, 813, 696, 578, 514; MS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{30}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 533.2; Found: 533.2; HRMS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{30}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 533.1875; Found: 533.1875.

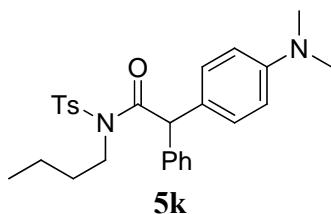
2-(4-(dimethylamino)phenyl)-N-methyl-2-phenyl-N-tosylacetamide (5j)



5j

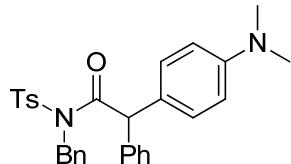
Compound **5j** was prepared in 78% yield by the reaction of aniline **4a** with ynamide **2g**' according to the general procedure (Table 3, entry 9). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.62 (d, 2H, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 7.31 – 7.15 (m, 5H), 7.09 (d, 2H, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 6.96 (d, 2H, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 6.61 (d, 2H, $J = 8.8$ Hz), 5.63 (s, 1H), 3.31 (s, 3H), 2.92 (s, 6H), 2.41 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 172.7, 149.6, 144.4, 138.8, 135.9, 129.5, 129.4, 128.7, 128.3, 127.8, 126.9, 125.3, 112.4, 55.8, 40.4, 33.3, 21.5; IR (neat): 3032(bs), 2923, 2802, 2252, 1698, 1615, 1521, 1494, 1353, 1200, 1186, 1166, 1071, 911, 811, 695, 590, 547; MS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{26}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 445.2; Found: 445.1; HRMS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{26}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 445.1562; Found: 445.1569.

N-butyl-2-(4-(dimethylamino)phenyl)-2-phenyl-N-tosylacetamide (5k)



Compound **5k** was prepared in 82% yield by the reaction of aniline **4a** with ynamide **2g** according to the general procedure (Table 3, entry 10). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.68 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 7.28 – 7.18 (m, 5H), 7.07 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 6.93 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 6.61 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.8 Hz), 5.55 (s, 1H), 3.87 (td, 2H, *J* = 3.6 Hz, *J* = 7.4 Hz), 2.93 (s, 6H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 1.85 – 1.69 (m, 2H), 1.44 – 1.33 (m, 2H), 0.96 (t, 3H, *J* = 7.6 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 172.3, 149.6, 144.2, 138.9, 136.6, 129.4, 129.3, 128.6, 128.2, 127.8, 126.8, 125.3, 112.4, 55.6, 46.7, 40.3, 32.3, 21.4, 19.9, 13.5; IR (neat): 3463(bs), 2958, 2918, 1695, 1612, 1521, 1494, 1450, 1350, 1275, 1166, 1083, 912, 764, 698, 588; MS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₂₇H₃₂N₂NaO₃S]⁺: 487.2; Found: 487.2; HRMS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₂₇H₃₂N₂NaO₃S]⁺: 487.2031; Found: 487.2031.

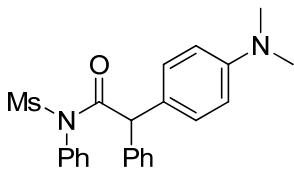
N-benzyl-2-(4-(dimethylamino)phenyl)-2-phenyl-N-tosylacetamide (5l)



5l

Compound **5l** was prepared in 96% yield by the reaction of aniline **4a** with ynamide **2h** according to the general procedure (Table 3, entry 11). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.73 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.46 – 7.31 (m, 5H), 7.28 – 7.22 (m, 2H), 7.20 – 7.12 (m, 3H), 6.89 – 6.81 (m, 2H), 6.75 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 6.56 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.8 Hz), 5.25 – 4.96 (m, 3H), 2.91 (s, 6H), 2.46 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 172.6, 149.7, 144.5, 138.4, 137.1, 136.3, 129.3, 129.2, 128.9, 128.6, 128.5, 128.3, 127.7, 126.9, 126.7, 124.7, 112.4, 55.8, 49.5, 40.4, 21.6; IR (neat): 3440(bs), 2917, 2849, 1703, 1611, 1520, 1494, 1453, 1352, 1166, 1087, 1030, 763, 698, 546; MS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₃₀H₃₀N₂NaO₃S]⁺: 521.2; Found: 521.2; HRMS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₃₀H₃₀N₂NaO₃S]⁺: 521.1875; Found: 521.1877.

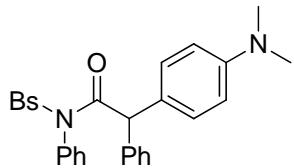
2-(4-(dimethylamino)phenyl)-N-(methylsulfonyl)-N,2-diphenylacetamide (5m)



5m

Compound **5m** was prepared in 97% yield by the reaction of aniline **4a** with ynamide **2i** according to the general procedure (Table 3, entry 12). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.47 – 7.31 (m, 3H), 7.28 – 7.16 (m, 3H), 7.12 – 7.01 (m, 4H), 6.93 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.8 Hz), 6.62 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.8 Hz), 4.75 (s, 1H), 3.45 (s, 3H), 2.94 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 173.5, 149.6, 138.3, 135.1, 130.1, 129.9, 129.4, 129.3, 128.5, 128.4, 127.1, 124.8, 112.5, 56.0, 42.0, 40.3; IR (neat): 3447(bs), 2917, 2849, 1703, 1161, 1520, 1489, 1353, 1275, 1260, 1141, 693, 754, 539; MS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₂₃H₂₄N₂NaO₃S]⁺: 431.1; Found: 431.1; HRMS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₂₃H₂₄N₂NaO₃S]⁺: 431.1405; Found: 431.1408.

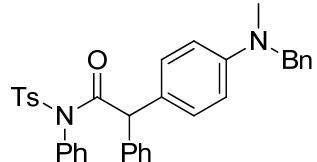
N-((4-bromophenyl)sulfonyl)-2-(4-(dimethylamino)phenyl)-N,2-diphenylacetamide (5n)



5n

Compound **5n** was prepared in 90% yield by the reaction of aniline **4a** with ynamide **2j** according to the general procedure (Table 3, entry 13). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.93 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 7.67 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.8 Hz), 7.50 (t, 1H, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.42 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.30 – 7.16 (m, 3H), 7.06 (d, 2H, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 6.97 (dd, 2H, *J* = 6.4 Hz, *J* = 2.4 Hz), 6.79 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.8 Hz), 6.58 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.8 Hz), 4.64 (s, 1H), 2.92 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 172.2, 149.6, 138.2, 137.8, 135.5, 131.8, 130.7, 130.3, 130.0, 129.4, 129.2, 128.8, 128.4, 128.3, 127.0, 124.5, 112.3, 56.1, 40.3; IR (neat): 3456(bs), 2914, 2847, 1711, 1612, 1521, 1487, 1389, 1362, 1172, 1141, 1085, 1067, 815, 744, 563; MS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₂₈H₂₅BrN₂NaO₃S]⁺: 571.1; Found: 571.1; HRMS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₂₈H₂₅BrN₂NaO₃S]⁺: 571.0667; Found: 571.0665.

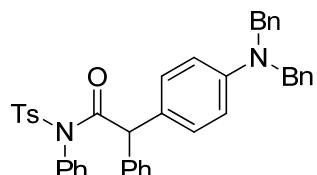
2-(4-(benzyl(methyl)amino)phenyl)-N,2-diphenyl-N-tosylacetamide (5o)



5o

Compound **5o** was prepared in 94% yield by the reaction of aniline **4g** with ynamide **2a** according to the general procedure (Table 3, entry 14). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.93 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 7.47 (t, 1H, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.43 – 7.27 (m, 7H), 7.24 – 7.16 (m, 5H), 7.09 – 7.01 (m, 2H), 6.99 – 6.90 (m, 2H), 6.75 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.8 Hz), 6.57 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.8 Hz), 4.61 (s, 1H), 4.49 (s, 2H), 2.99 (s, 3H), 2.45 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 172.0, 148.7, 144.6, 138.7, 138.4, 135.9, 130.4, 129.8, 129.4, 129.3, 129.2, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 126.9, 126.8, 126.5, 125.0, 112.1, 56.4, 56.1, 38.5, 21.6; IR (neat): 3063(bs), 2920, 2847, 1703, 1616, 1520, 1489, 1356, 1172, 1142, 1087, 812, 695, 657, 550; MS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₃₅H₃₂N₂NaO₃S]⁺: 583.2; Found: 583.2; HRMS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₃₅H₃₂N₂NaO₃S]⁺: 583.2031; Found: 583.2033.

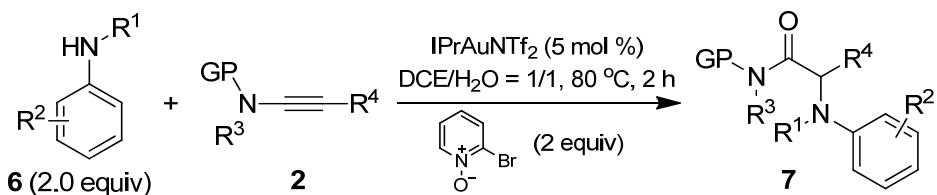
2-(4-(dibenzylamino)phenyl)-N,2-diphenyl-N-tosylacetamide (5p)



5p

Compound **5p** was prepared in 70% yield by the reaction of aniline **4h** with ynamide **2a** according to the general procedure (Table 3, entry 15). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.91 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 7.46 (t, 1H, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.42 – 7.18 (m, 17H), 7.02 (d, 2H, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 6.97 – 6.85 (m, 2H), 6.68 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.8 Hz), 6.55 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.8 Hz), 4.61 (s, 4H), 4.58 (s, 1H), 2.43 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 172.0, 148.2, 144.6, 138.4, 138.1, 135.9, 130.4, 129.8, 129.5, 129.3, 129.2, 129.1, 128.6, 128.5, 128.3, 127.0, 126.8, 126.5, 125.4, 112.3, 56.1, 54.2, 21.6; IR (neat): 3063(bs), 2917, 2853, 2252, 1703, 1616, 1519, 1493, 1361, 1187, 1172, 1144, 1088, 911, 812, 732, 695; MS (ES⁺) Calculated for

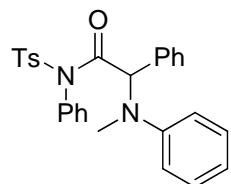
$[C_{41}H_{36}N_2NaO_3S]^+$: 659.2; Found: 659.2; HRMS (ES⁺) Calculated for $[C_{41}H_{36}N_2NaO_3S]^+$: 659.2344; Found: 659.2350.



General procedure for the synthesis of 7:

Ynamide **2** (0.30 mmol), 2-bromopyridine *N*-oxide (104.4 mg, 0.60 mmol), and IPrAuNTf₂ (13.5 mg, 0.015 mmol) were added in this order to a suspension of the secondary or primary aniline **6** (0.60 mmol) in DCE/H₂O (3.0 mL) at room temperature. The reaction mixture was stirred at 80 °C and the progress of the reaction was monitored by TLC. The reaction typically took 2 h. Upon completion, the reaction diluted with DCM (30 mL) and washed with H₂O (2 × 15 mL). The resulting solution was extracted again with DCM (30 mL) and the combined organic layers were dried with MgSO₄. The mixture was then concentrated and the residue was purified by chromatography on silica gel (eluent: hexanes/ethyl acetate) to afford the desired product **7**.

2-(methyl(phenyl)amino)-N,2-diphenyl-N-tosylacetamide (**7a**)

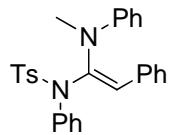


7a

Compound **7a** was prepared in 81% yield by the reaction of aniline **6a** with ynamide **2a** according to the general procedure. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.82 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 7.29 – 7.12 (m, 8H), 7.05 – 6.90 (m, 2H), 6.89 – 6.86 (m, 3H), 6.62 (t, 1H, *J* = 7.6

Hz), 6.40 (d, 2H, J = 8.0 Hz), 5.17 (s, 1H), 2.62 (s, 3H), 2.35 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 171.4, 149.1, 144.9, 135.8, 134.9, 134.7, 129.4, 129.3, 129.1, 129.0, 128.7, 128.6, 117.8, 113.0, 65.3, 34.0, 21.6. IR (neat): 3063, 3029, 2924, 2254, 1705(s), 1610, 1521, 1496, 1453, 1359, 1171, 1087, 910, 732, 695, 570; MS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{26}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 493.2; Found: 493.2; HRMS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{26}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 493.1562; Found: 493.1569.

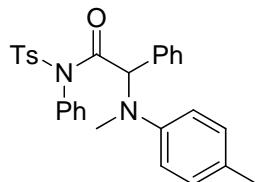
(E)-4-methyl-N-(1-(methyl(phenyl)amino)-2-phenylvinyl)-N-phenylbenzenesulfonamide (3ad)



3ad

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.56 (d, 2H, J = 8.0 Hz), 7.26 – 7.17 (m, 12H), 7.00 – 6.97 (m, 2H), 6.88 – 6.81 (m, 3H), 6.13 (s, 1H), 2.69 (s, 3H), 2.43 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 144.9, 143.7, 140.3, 138.4, 137.2, 134.9, 129.7, 129.3, 128.7, 128.6, 128.3, 128.1, 127.5, 120.0, 116.4, 114.8, 38.7, 21.6; IR: 2950, 2920, 2839, 1597, 1492, 14752, 1352, 1165, 1090, 740, 695, 661; MS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{26}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_2\text{S}]^+$: 477.2; Found: 477.1; HRMS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{26}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_2\text{S}]^+$: 477.1613; Found: 477.1610.

2-(methyl(p-tolyl)amino)-N,2-diphenyl-N-tosylacetamide (7b)

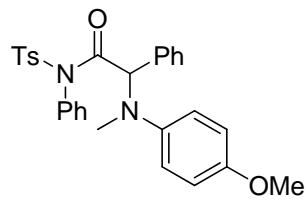


7b

Compound **7b** was prepared in 88% yield by the reaction of aniline **6b** with ynamide **2a** according to the general procedure (Table 4, entry 1). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.42 – 7.40 (d, 2H, J = 7.2 Hz), 7.39 – 7.27 (m, 8H), 7.04 – 6.96 (m, 6H), 6.48 (d, 2H, J = 8.8

Hz), 5.27 (s, 1H), 2.73 (s, 3H), 2.51 (s, 3H), 2.78 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 171.5, 147.1, 144.9, 135.9, 135.0, 134.8, 129.9, 129.5, 129.3, 129.2, 129.1, 128.8, 128.5, 113.6, 65.8, 34.2, 21.6, 20.2. IR (neat): 3029, 2922, 2253, 1708(s), 1617, 1596, 1518, 1488, 1364, 1173, 912, 740, 694; MS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{28}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 507.2; Found: 507.2; HRMS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{28}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 507.1718; Found: 507.1718.

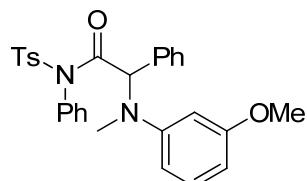
2-((4-methoxyphenyl)(methyl)amino)-N,2-diphenyl-N-tosylacetamide (7c)



7c

Compound **7c** was prepared in 81% yield by the reaction of aniline **6c** with ynamide **2a** according to the general procedure (Table 4, entry 2). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.92 (d, 2H, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 7.39 – 7.24 (m, 8H), 7.00 – 6.92 (m, 4H), 6.72 (d, 2H, $J = 8.8$ Hz), 6.52 (d, 2H, $J = 8.8$ Hz), 5.13 (s, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 2.67 (s, 3H), 2.48 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 171.4, 152.7, 144.8, 143.8, 135.0, 134.8, 130.0, 129.9, 129.3, 129.2, 129.1, 128.8, 128.5, 128.2, 116.1, 114.4, 66.9, 55.6, 34.7, 21.6. IR (neat): 3066, 3029, 2923, 2833, 2253, 1708(s), 1596, 1511, 1488, 1363, 1247, 1173, 1036, 814, 696; MS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{28}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_4\text{S}]^+$: 523.2; Found: 523.2; HRMS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{28}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_4\text{S}]^+$: 523.1667; Found: 523.1670.

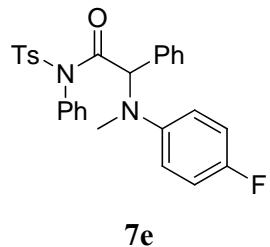
2-((3-methoxyphenyl)(methyl)amino)-N,2-diphenyl-N-tosylacetamide (7d)



7d

Compound **7d** was prepared in 88% yield by the reaction of aniline **6d** with ynamide **2a** according to the general procedure (Table 4, entry 3). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.93 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 7.36 – 7.26 (m, 8H), 7.07 – 6.98 (m, 5H), 6.32 – 6.30 (m, 1H), 6.14 – 6.08 (m, 2H), 5.28 (s, 1H), 3.73 (s, 3H), 2.71 (s, 3H), 2.48 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.3, 160.6, 150.5, 144.9, 135.0, 134.7, 130.0, 129.7, 129.4, 129.3, 129.1, 128.7, 128.6, 128.3, 105.9, 102.8, 99.7, 65.4, 55.0, 34.2, 21.6; IR (neat): 2957, 2926, 2256, 1708(s), 1608, 1497, 1453, 1364, 1172, 1107, 910, 733, 695; MS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₂₉H₂₈N₂NaO₄S]⁺: 523.2; Found: 523.2; HRMS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₂₉H₂₈N₂NaO₄S]⁺: 523.1667; Found: 523.1669.

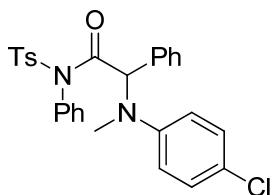
2-((4-fluorophenyl)(methyl)amino)-N,2-diphenyl-N-tosylacetamide (7e)



7e

Compound **7e** was prepared in 86% yield by the reaction of aniline **6e** with ynamide **2a** according to the general procedure (Table 4, entry 4). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.92 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 7.36 – 7.27 (m, 8H), 6.99 – 6.81 (m, 6H), 6.49 – 6.45 (m, 2H), 5.17 (s, 1H), 2.95 (s, 3H), 2.48 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.2, 156.1 (d, *J* = 235.6 Hz), 145.8 (d, *J* = 1.1 Hz), 145.0, 135.8, 134.9, 134.5, 130.0, 129.9, 129.3, 129.1, 128.7, 128.6, 128.3, 115.3 (d, *J* = 22.0 Hz), 115.0 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz), 66.4, 34.6, 21.6; IR (neat): 3066, 3032, 2920, 2253, 1708(s), 1596, 1509, 1488, 1364, 1231, 1188, 1173, 1105, 1088, 911, 814, 734, 694; MS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₂₈H₂₅FN₂NaO₃S]⁺: 511.1; Found: 511.1; HRMS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₂₈H₂₅FN₂NaO₃S]⁺: 511.1468; Found: 511.1470.

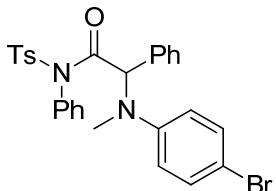
2-((4-chlorophenyl)(methyl)amino)-N,2-diphenyl-N-tosylacetamide (7f)



7f

Compound **7f** was prepared in 95% yield by the reaction of aniline **6f** with ynamide **2a** according to the general procedure (Table 4, entry 5). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.91 (d, 2H, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 7.40 – 7.26 (m, 8H), 7.08 – 6.96 (m, 6H), 6.42 (d, 2H, $J = 10.8$ Hz), 5.22 (s, 1H), 2.69 (s, 3H), 2.48 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 171.1, 147.8, 145.1, 134.9, 134.3, 130.1, 129.4, 129.1, 128.7, 128.6, 128.4, 122.7, 114.3, 65.7, 34.3, 21.7; IR (neat): 3063, 3032, 2917, 2258, 1709(s), 1596, 1497, 1452, 1364, 1307, 1173, 1107, 1087, 912, 810, 735, 697; MS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{25}\text{ClN}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 527.1; Found: 527.1; HRMS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{25}\text{ClN}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 527.1172; Found: 527.1172.

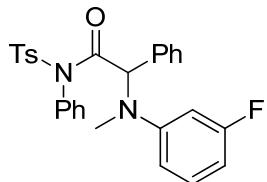
2-((4-bromophenyl)(methyl)amino)-N,2-diphenyl-N-tosylacetamide (**7g**)



7g

Compound **7g** was prepared in 99% yield by the reaction of aniline **6g** with ynamide **2a** according to the general procedure (Table 4, entry 6). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.89 (d, 2H, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 7.34 – 7.23 (m, 8H), 7.17 (d, 2H, $J = 8.8$ Hz), 6.95 (d, 4H, $J = 6.8$ Hz), 6.36 – 6.33 (m, 2H), 5.19 (s, 1H), 2.66 (s, 3H), 2.46 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 171.0, 148.1, 145.1, 135.7, 134.9, 134.2, 131.6, 130.1, 129.9, 129.4, 129.1, 128.7, 128.6, 128.5, 114.7, 109.8, 65.5, 34.3, 21.7; IR (neat): 3066, 3032, 2926, 2253, 1709(s), 1592, 1494, 1452, 1364, 1307, 1173, 1106, 1087, 911, 809, 733, 696, 571; MS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{25}\text{BrN}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 571.1; Found: 571.1; HRMS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{25}\text{BrN}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 571.0667; Found: 571.0669.

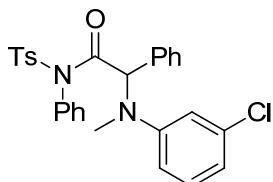
2-((3-fluorophenyl)(methyl)amino)-N,2-diphenyl-N-tosylacetamide (7h)



7h

Compound **7h** was prepared in 89% yield by the reaction of aniline **6h** with ynamide **2a** according to the general procedure (Table 4, entry 7). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.94 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.41 – 7.26 (m, 8H), 7.06 – 6.97 (m, 5H), 6.44 – 6.39 (m, 1H), 6.28 – 6.16 (m, 2H), 5.24 (s, 1H), 2.71 (s, 3H), 2.48 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.1, 163.8 (d, *J* = 241.2 Hz), 150.8 (d, *J* = 10.3 Hz), 145.1, 135.8, 134.9, 134.3, 130.2, 130.1, 130.0, 129.5, 129.4, 129.1, 128.8, 128.7, 128.5, 108.2, 104.2 (d, *J* = 21.3 Hz), 99.9 (d, *J* = 26.0 Hz), 65.2, 34.2, 21.6; IR (neat): 3063, 3032, 2923, 2258, 1708(s), 1616, 1597, 1497, 1452, 1365, 1172, 1106, 1088, 1005, 910, 733, 695; MS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₂₈H₂₅FN₂NaO₃S]⁺: 511.1; Found: 511.1; HRMS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₂₈H₂₅FN₂NaO₃S]⁺: 511.1468; Found: 511.1470.

2-((3-chlorophenyl)(methyl)amino)-N,2-diphenyl-N-tosylacetamide (7i)

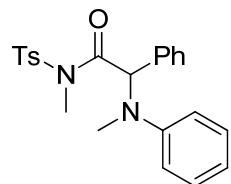


7i

Compound **7i** was prepared in 93% yield by the reaction of aniline **6i** with ynamide **2a** according to the general procedure (Table 4, entry 8). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.93 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 7.42 – 7.26 (m, 9H), 7.05 – 6.97 (m, 4H), 6.70 (d, 1H, *J* = 1.2 Hz), 6.46 – 6.39 (m, 2H), 5.21 (s, 1H), 2.70 (s, 3H), 2.48 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.0, 150.1, 145.1, 134.9, 130.2, 130.0, 129.5, 129.4, 129.1, 128.8, 128.7, 128.6, 117.7, 112.7, 111.0, 65.1, 34.2, 21.7; IR (neat): 3066, 3035, 2923, 2256, 1707(s), 1594, 1563,

1488, 1452, 1365, 1173, 1088, 989, 911, 734, 698; MS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{25}\text{ClN}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 527.1; Found: 527.1; HRMS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{25}\text{ClN}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 527.1172; Found: 527.1174.

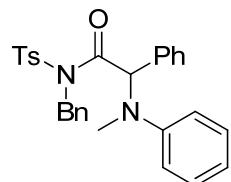
N-methyl-2-(methyl(phenyl)amino)-2-phenyl-N-tosylacetamide (7j)



7j

Compound **7j** was prepared in 76% yield by the reaction of aniline **6a** with ynamide **2g'** according to the general procedure (Table 4, entry 9). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.52 – 7.49 (d, 2H, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 7.35 – 7.24 (m, 3H), 7.25 – 7.11 (m, 6H), 6.81 – 6.75 (m, 3H), 6.38 (s, 1H), 3.24 (s, 3H), 2.74 (s, 3H), 2.39 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 172.3, 149.4, 144.8, 135.2, 134.9, 129.5, 129.3, 129.0, 128.9, 128.3, 127.8, 117.9, 113.0, 65.5, 34.4, 33.0, 21.6; IR (neat): 3405(bs), 3066, 3029, 2926, 1708(s), 1597, 1503, 1488, 1367, 1160, 1085, 911, 745, 696, 600, 566; MS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{24}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 431.1; Found: 431.1; HRMS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{24}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 431.1405; Found: 431.1408.

N-benzyl-2-(methyl(phenyl)amino)-2-phenyl-N-tosylacetamide (7k)

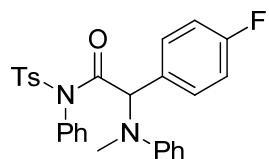


7k

Compound **7k** was prepared in 85% yield by the reaction of aniline **6a** with ynamide **2h** according to the general procedure (Table 4, entry 10). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.44 (d, 2H, $J = 5.6$ Hz), 7.42 – 7.28 (m, 10H), 7.10 – 6.96 (m, 4H), 6.74 (t, 1H, $J = 7.2$ Hz), 6.39 (d, 2H, $J = 7.6$ Hz), 5.90 (s, 1H), 5.27 (d, 1H, $J = 16.8$ Hz), 4.64 (d, 1H, $J =$

16.8 Hz), 2.66 (s, 3H), 2.49 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 171.2, 149.1, 144.9, 136.3, 135.8, 134.7, 129.4, 129.1, 129.0, 128.9, 128.6, 117.7, 113.0, 65.6, 49.3, 34.1, 21.6; IR (neat): 3066, 3029, 2917, 2258, 1708(s), 1597, 1503, 1453, 1353, 1167, 1103, 1088, 911, 749, 729, 589; MS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{28}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 507.2; Found: 507.2; HRMS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{28}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 507.1718; Found: 507.1718.

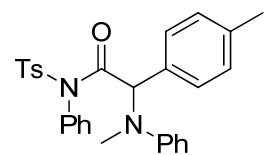
2-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-(methyl(phenyl)amino)-N-phenyl-N-tosylacetamide (7l)



7l

Compound **7l** was prepared in 80% yield by the reaction of aniline **6a** with ynamide **2b** according to the general procedure (Table 4, entry 11). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.90 (d, 2H, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 7.41 – 7.20 (m, 5H), 7.16 – 7.06 (m, 2H), 7.05 – 6.87 (m, 6H), 6.71(t, 1H, $J = 7.6$ Hz), 6.46 (d, 2H, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 5.22 (s, 1H), 2.70 (s, 3H), 2.46 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 171.2, 162.5 (d, $J = 246.5$ Hz), 148.9, 145.1, 135.8, 134.9, 130.6 (d, $J = 3.2$ Hz), 130.5, 130.4, 130.1, 129.9, 129.4, 129.2, 129.0, 118.1, 115.6 (d, $J = 21.5$ Hz), 113.2, 64.8, 34.1, 21.7; IR (neat): 3436, 2918, 2849, 1706(s), 1596, 1362, 1292, 1226, 1152, 1086, 991, 692; MS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{25}\text{FN}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 511.1; Found: 511.1; HRMS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{25}\text{FN}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 511.1468; Found: 511.1470.

2-(methyl(phenyl)amino)-N-phenyl-2-(p-tolyl)-N-tosylacetamide (7m)

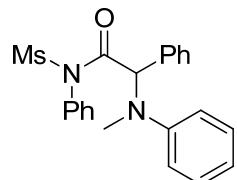


7m

Compound **7m** was prepared in 83% yield by the reaction of aniline **6a** with ynamide **2c** according to the general procedure (Table 4, entry 12). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.90 (d, 2H, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 7.41 – 7.20 (m, 5H), 7.17 – 6.90 (m, 6H), 6.84 (d, 2H, $J = 8.4$

Hz), 6.69 (t, 1H, J = 7.6 Hz), 6.48 (d, 2H, J = 8.0 Hz), 5.20 (s, 1H), 2.69 (s, 3H), 2.45 (s, 3H), 2.33 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 171.6, 149.1, 144.8, 138.1, 135.9, 135.0, 131.6, 129.9, 129.3, 129.1, 128.9, 128.7, 117.7, 112.9, 65.1, 34.0, 21.6, 21.1; IR (neat): 3057, 2923, 1709(s), 1597, 1503, 1452, 1365, 1174, 1106, 1088, 1033, 964, 892, 736, 695; MS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{28}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 507.2; Found: 507.2; HRMS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{28}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 507.1718; Found: 507.1720.

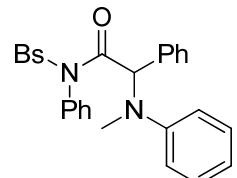
2-(methyl(phenyl)amino)-N-(methylsulfonyl)-N,2-diphenylacetamide (7n)



7n

Compound **7n** was prepared in 82% yield by the reaction of aniline **6a** with ynamide **2i** according to the general procedure (Table 4, entry 13). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.41 – 7.36 (m, 4H), 7.33 – 7.23 (m, 4H), 7.19 – 7.16 (m, 2H), 7.10 – 6.80 (m, 3H), 6.68 (d, 2H, J = 8.4 Hz), 5.40 (s, 1H), 3.45 (s, 3H), 2.84 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 173.0, 149.2, 134.4, 134.1, 130.2, 129.4, 129.2, 128.9, 128.7, 128.5, 118.2, 113.2, 65.5, 42.3, 34.1; IR (neat): 3060, 3027, 2931, 2256, 1708(s), 1597, 1503, 1453, 1356, 1317, 1153, 1107, 964, 911, 736, 695, 539; MS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 417.1; Found: 417.1; HRMS (ES^+) Calculated for $[\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_3\text{S}]^+$: 417.1249; Found: 417.1245.

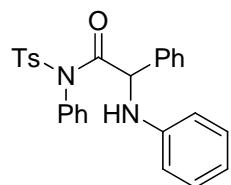
N-((4-bromophenyl)sulfonyl)-2-(methyl(phenyl)amino)-N,2-diphenylacetamide (7o)



7o

Compound **7o** was prepared in 81% yield by the reaction of aniline **6a** with ynamide **2j** according to the general procedure (Table 4, entry 14). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.90 – 7.86 (m, 2H), 7.68 – 7.64 (m, 2H), 7.40 – 7.35 (m, 1H), 7.33 – 7.25 (m, 5H), 7.15 – 7.09 (m, 2H), 7.00 – 6.96 (m, 4H), 6.75 – 6.71 (m, 1H), 6.49 (d, 2H), 5.25 (s, 1H), 2.71 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.6, 149.1, 137.8, 134.6, 134.5, 132.1, 130.6, 130.2, 130.0, 129.5, 129.2, 129.1, 128.7, 128.6, 128.4, 118.1, 113.2, 65.6, 34.1; IR (neat): 3063, 2920, 2853, 1709(s), 1597, 1573, 1503, 1488, 1368, 1153, 1106, 1068, 745, 696, 600, 564; MS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₂₇H₂₃BrN₂NaO₃S]⁺: 557.1; Found: 557.0; HRMS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₂₇H₂₃BrN₂NaO₃S]⁺: 557.0510; Found: 557.0512.

N,2-diphenyl-2-(phenylamino)-N-tosylacetamide (**7p**)



7p

Compound **7p** was prepared in 78% yield by the reaction of aniline **6j** with ynamide **2a** according to the general procedure (Table 4, entry 15). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.87 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 7.51 (t, 1H, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.40 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.31 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 7.27 – 7.15 (m, 3H), 7.06 – 6.96 (m, 4H), 6.86 (d, 2H, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 6.65 (t, 1H, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 6.37 (d, 2H, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 4.82 (d, 1H, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 4.66 (d, 1H, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 2.45 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.2, 145.6, 145.1, 136.1, 135.6, 134.7, 130.7, 130.3, 129.6, 129.4, 129.14, 129.11, 128.8, 128.5, 127.9, 118.4, 113.5, 60.6, 21.7; IR (neat): 3387 (bs), 3061, 3029, 2920, 2862, 1703 (s), 1616, 1596, 1519, 1488, 1364, 1305, 1173, 1087, 929, 696, 569; MS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₂₇H₂₄N₂NaO₃S]⁺: 479.1; Found: 479.1; HRMS (ES⁺) Calculated for [C₂₇H₂₄N₂NaO₃S]⁺: 479.1405; Found: 479.1405.

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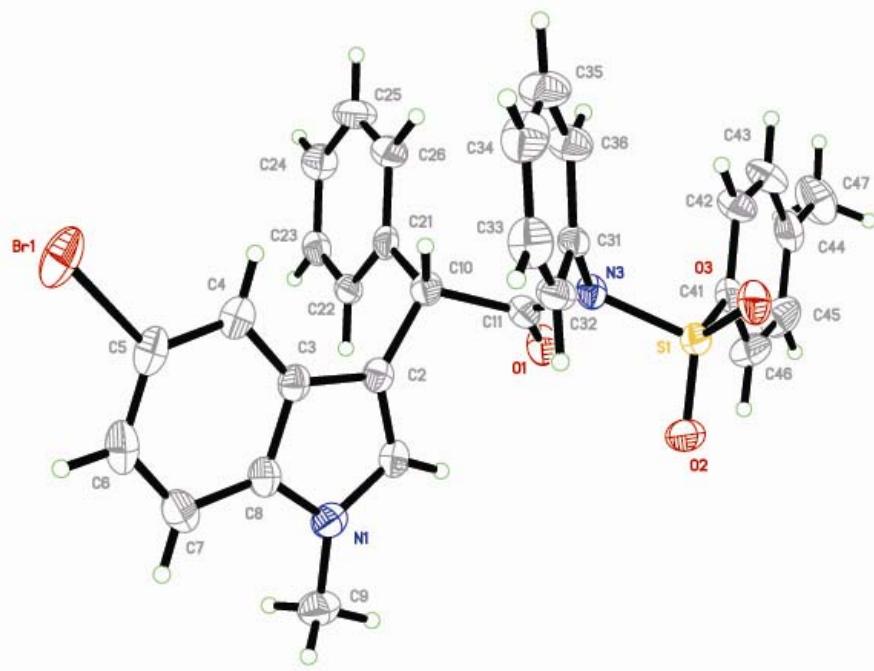


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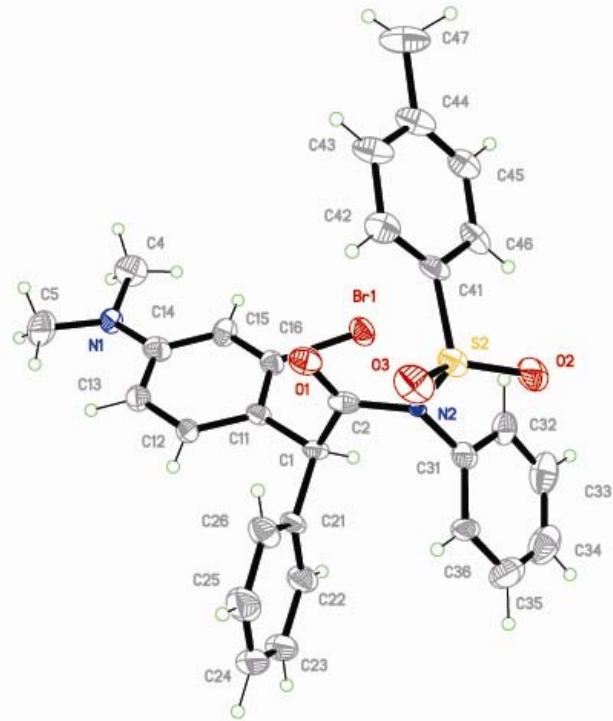
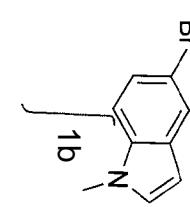
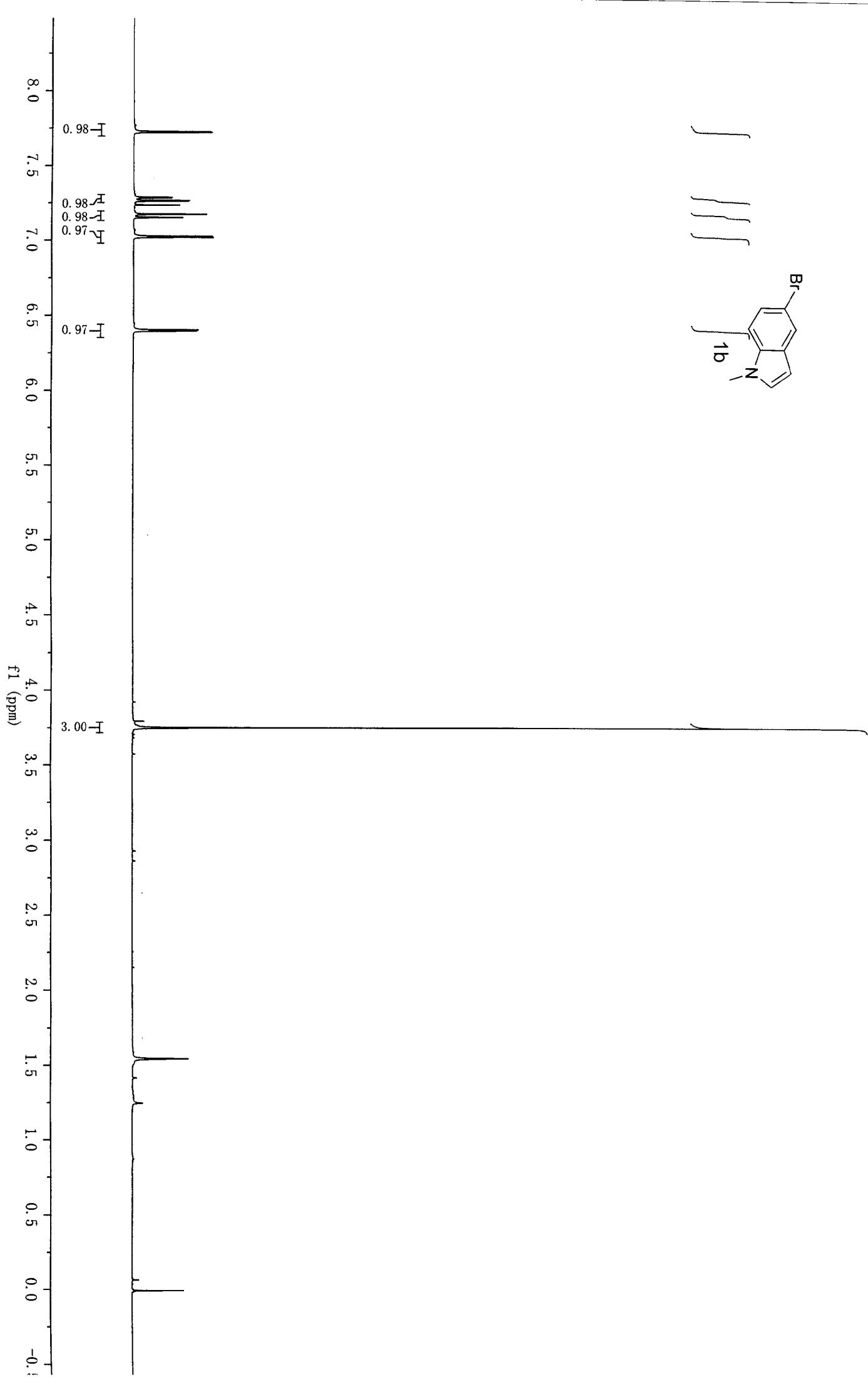
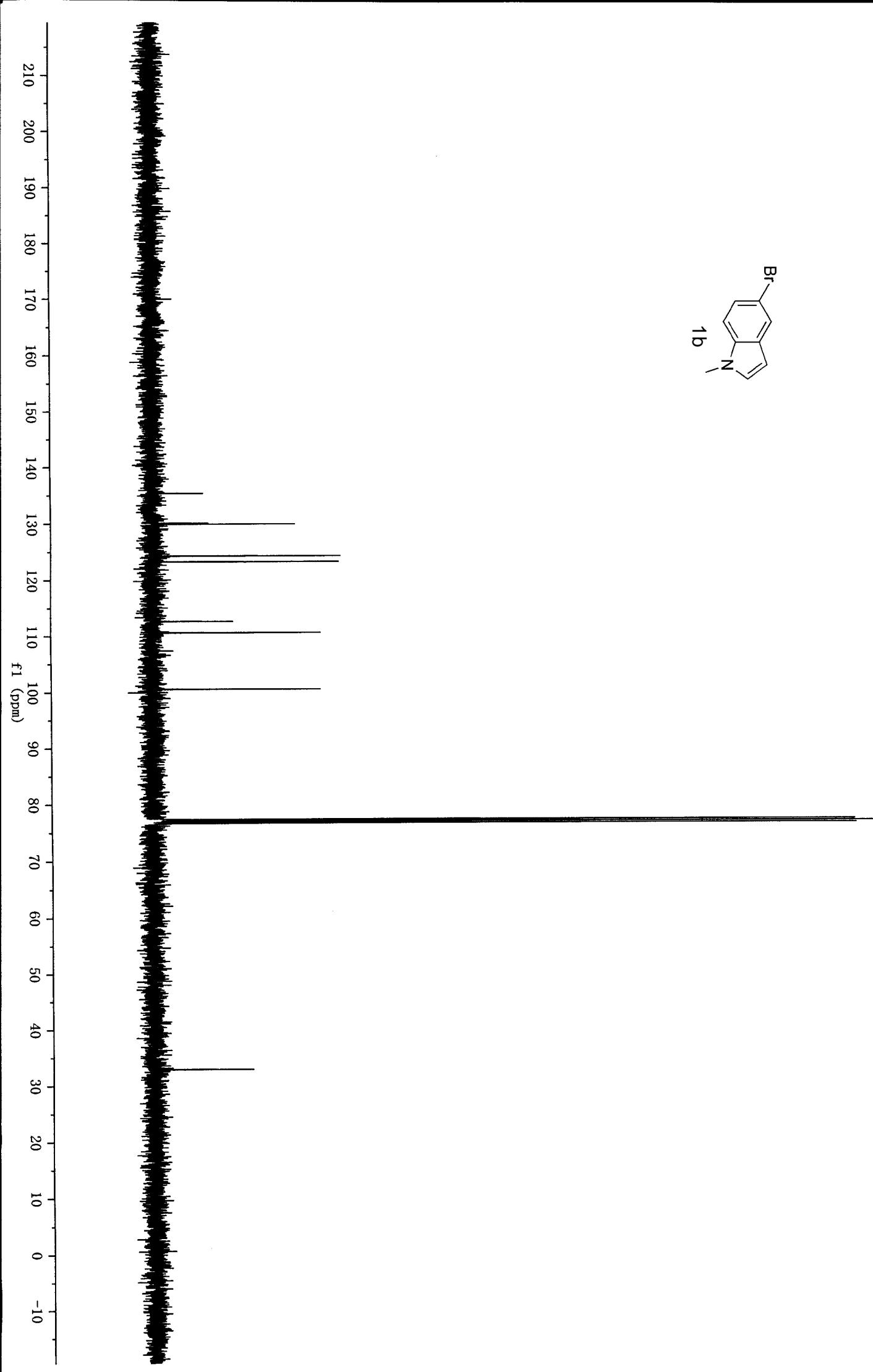
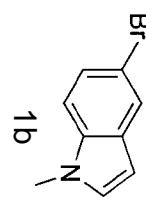
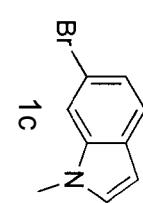
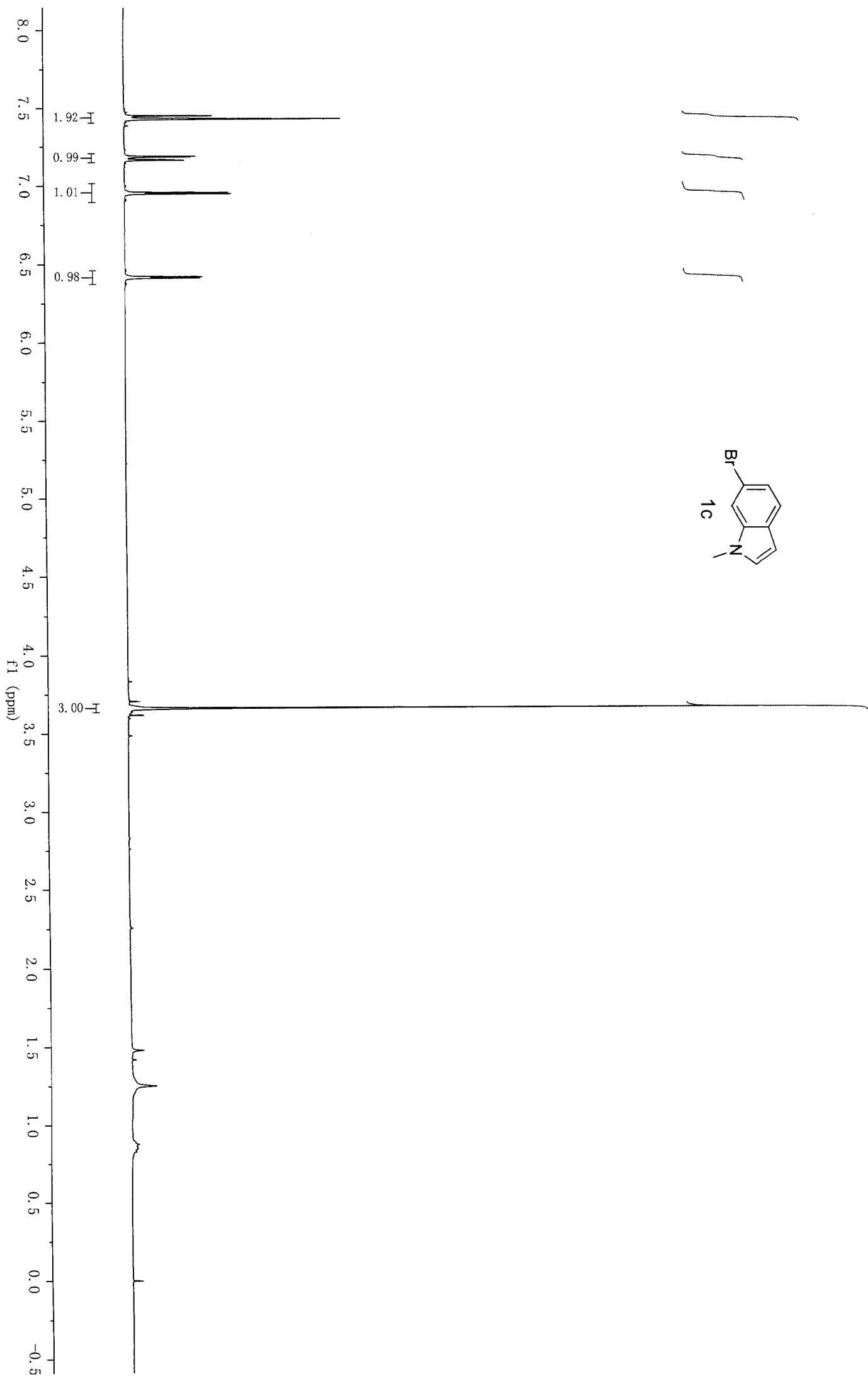
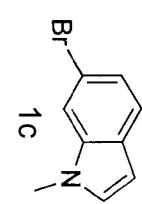
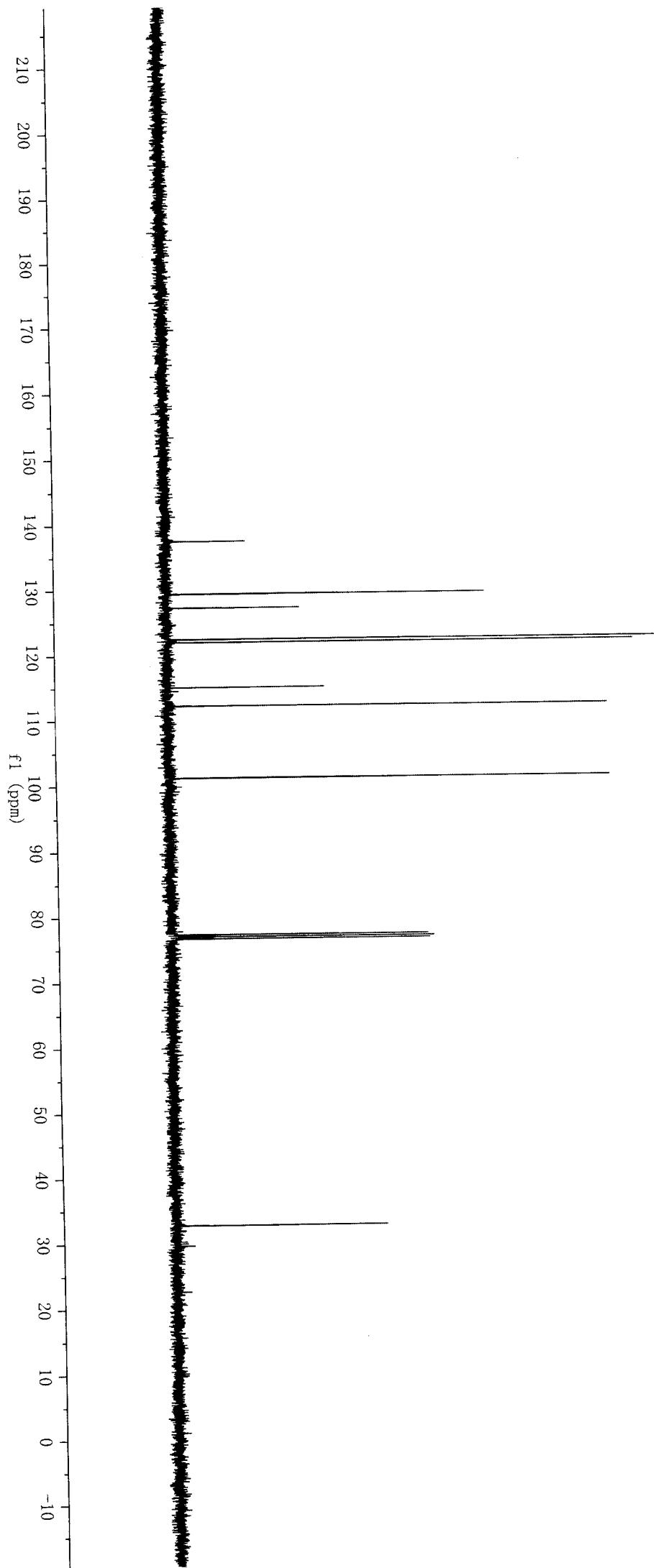


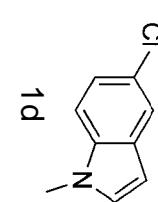
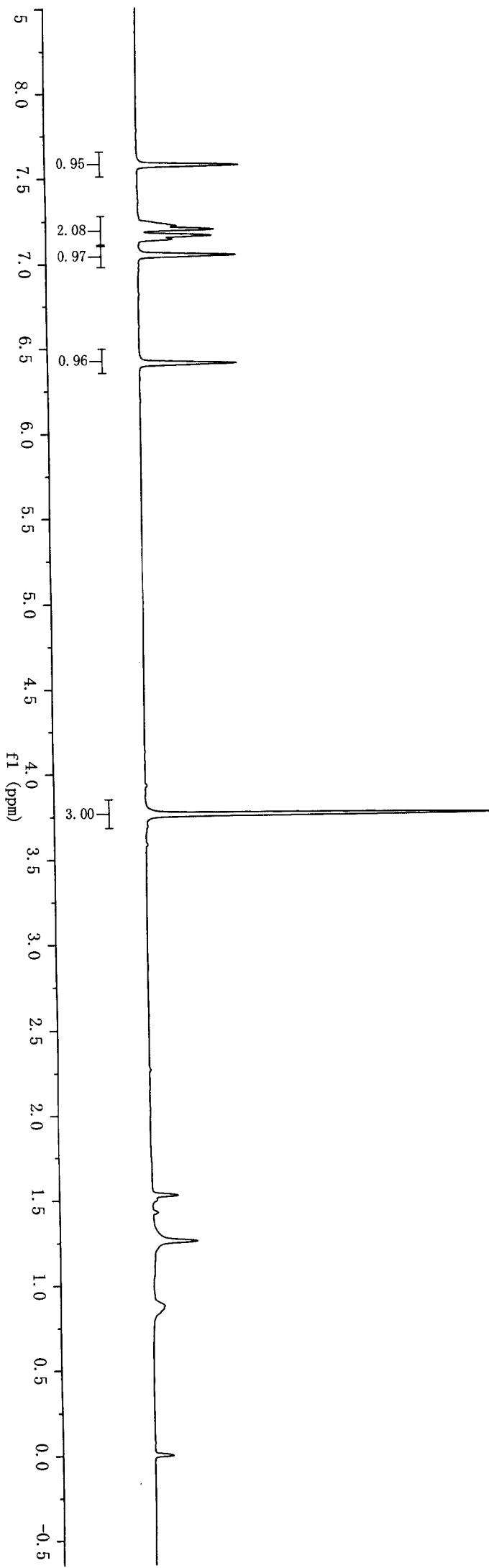
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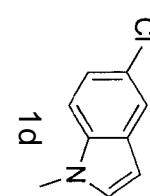
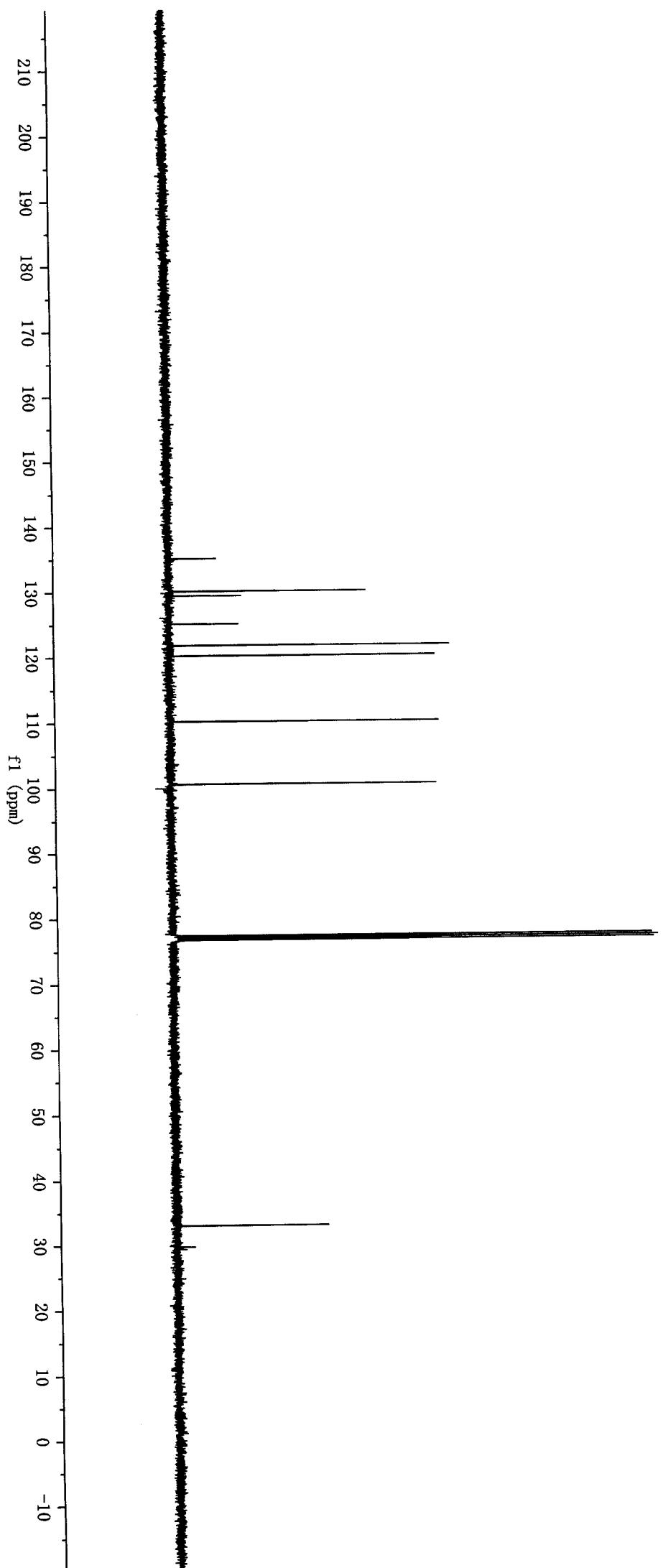




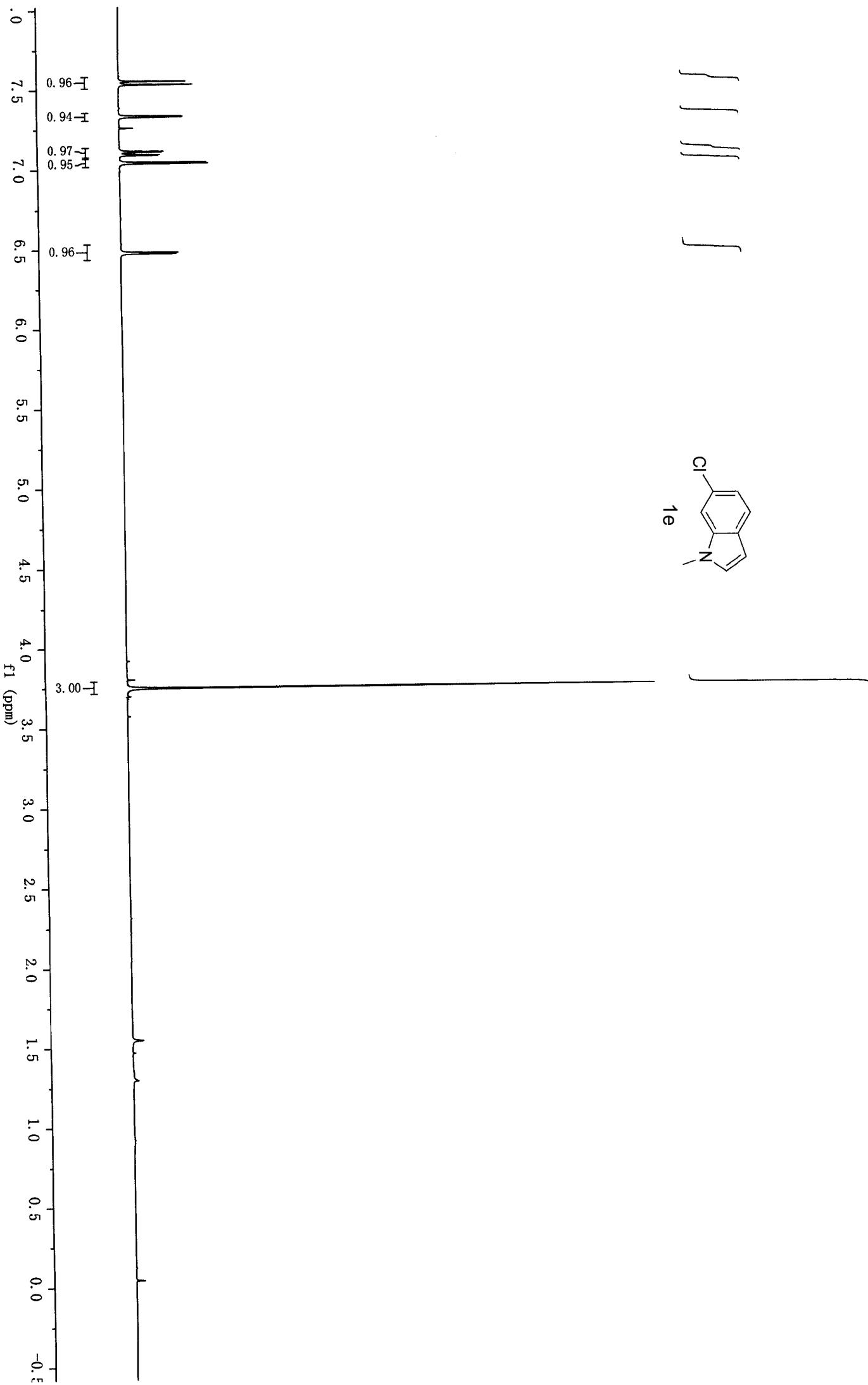
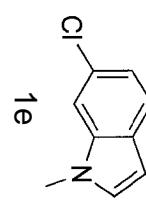


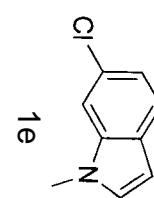
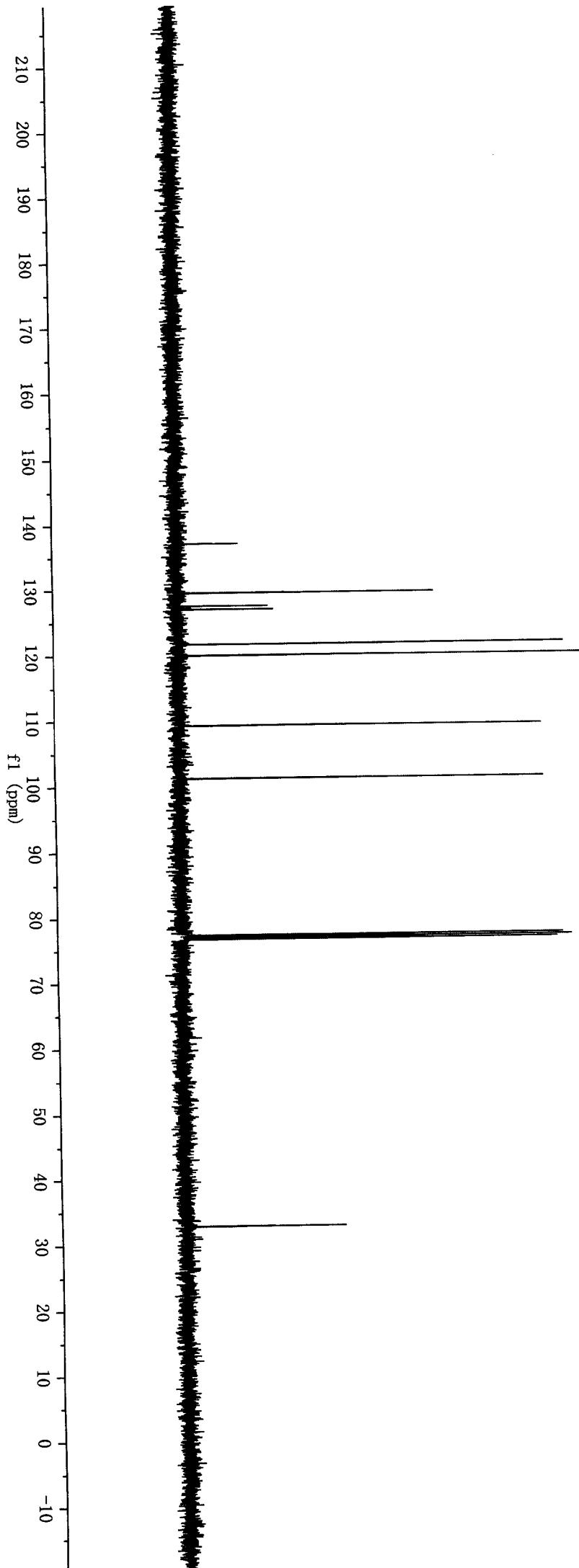


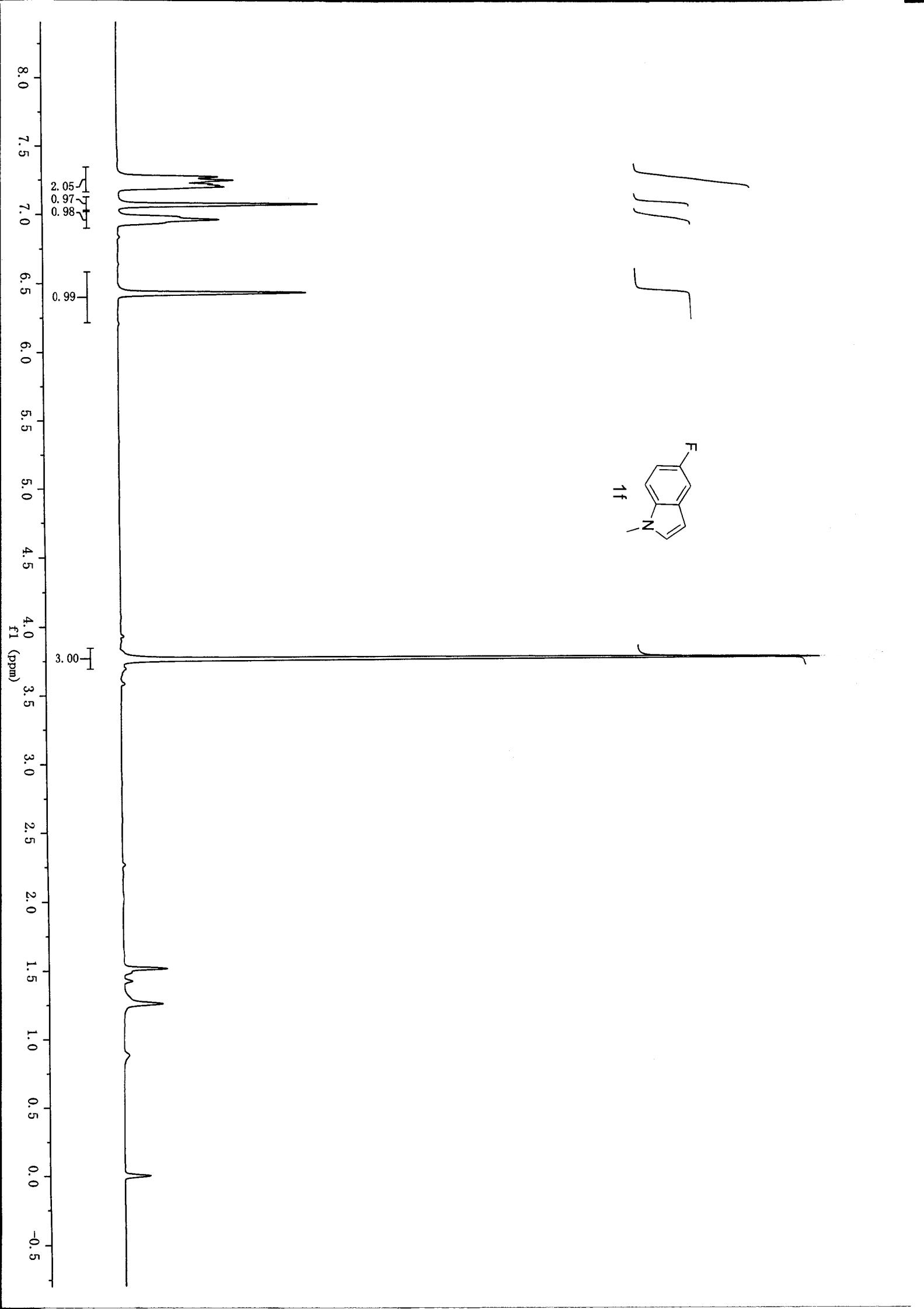


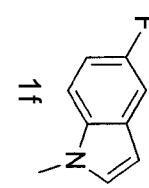
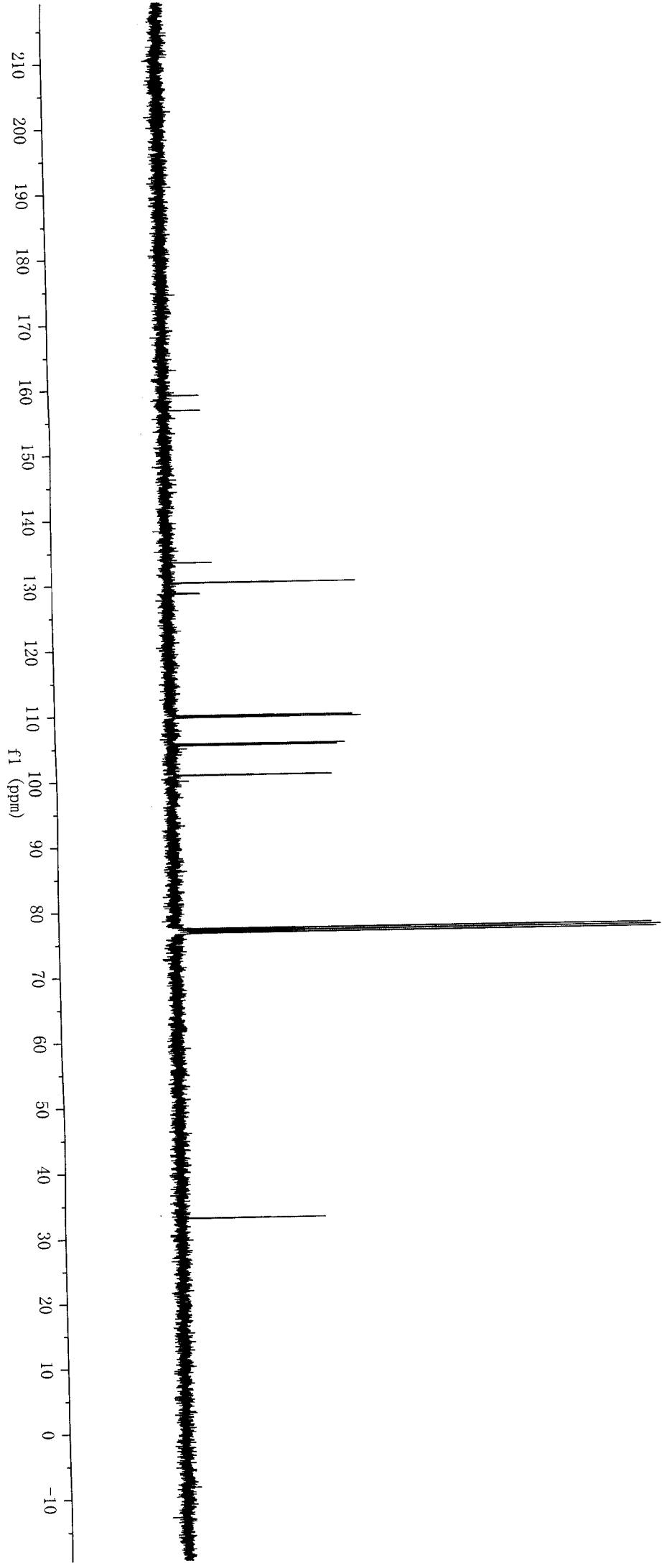


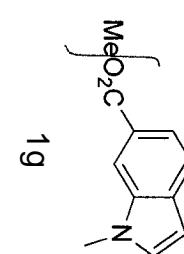
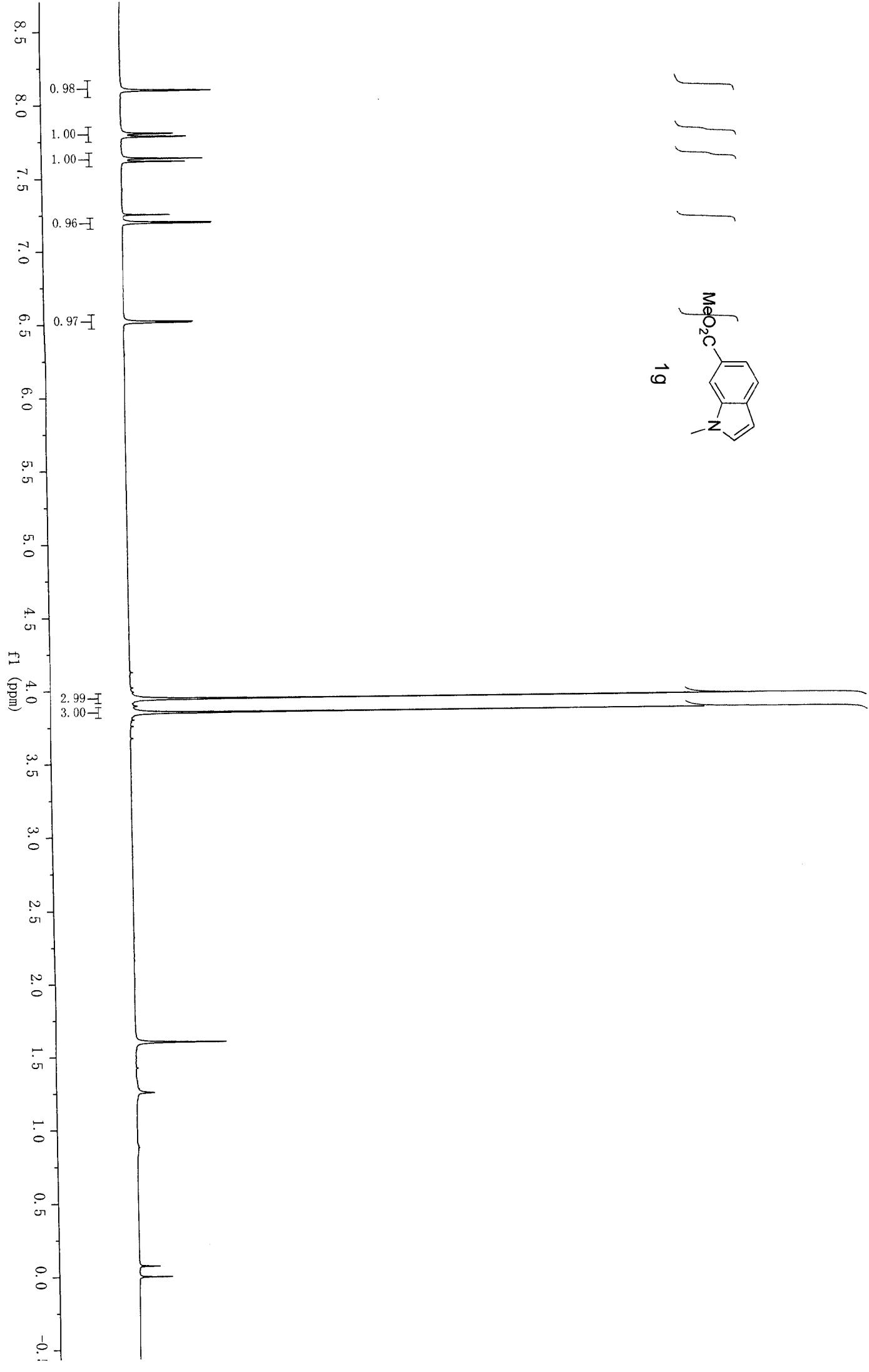
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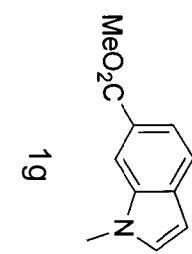
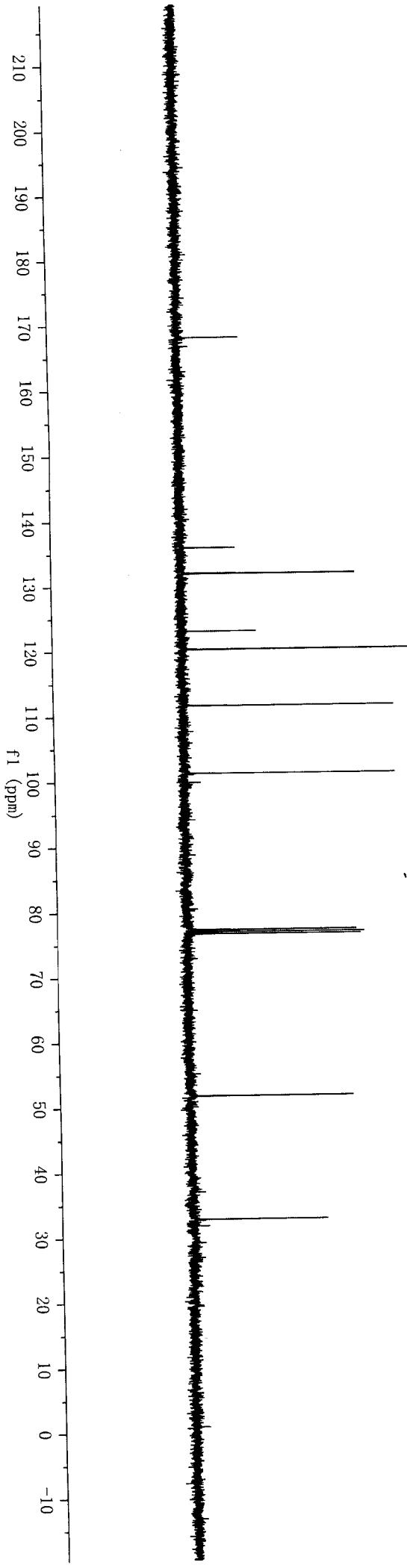


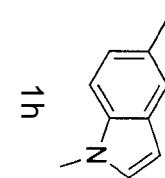
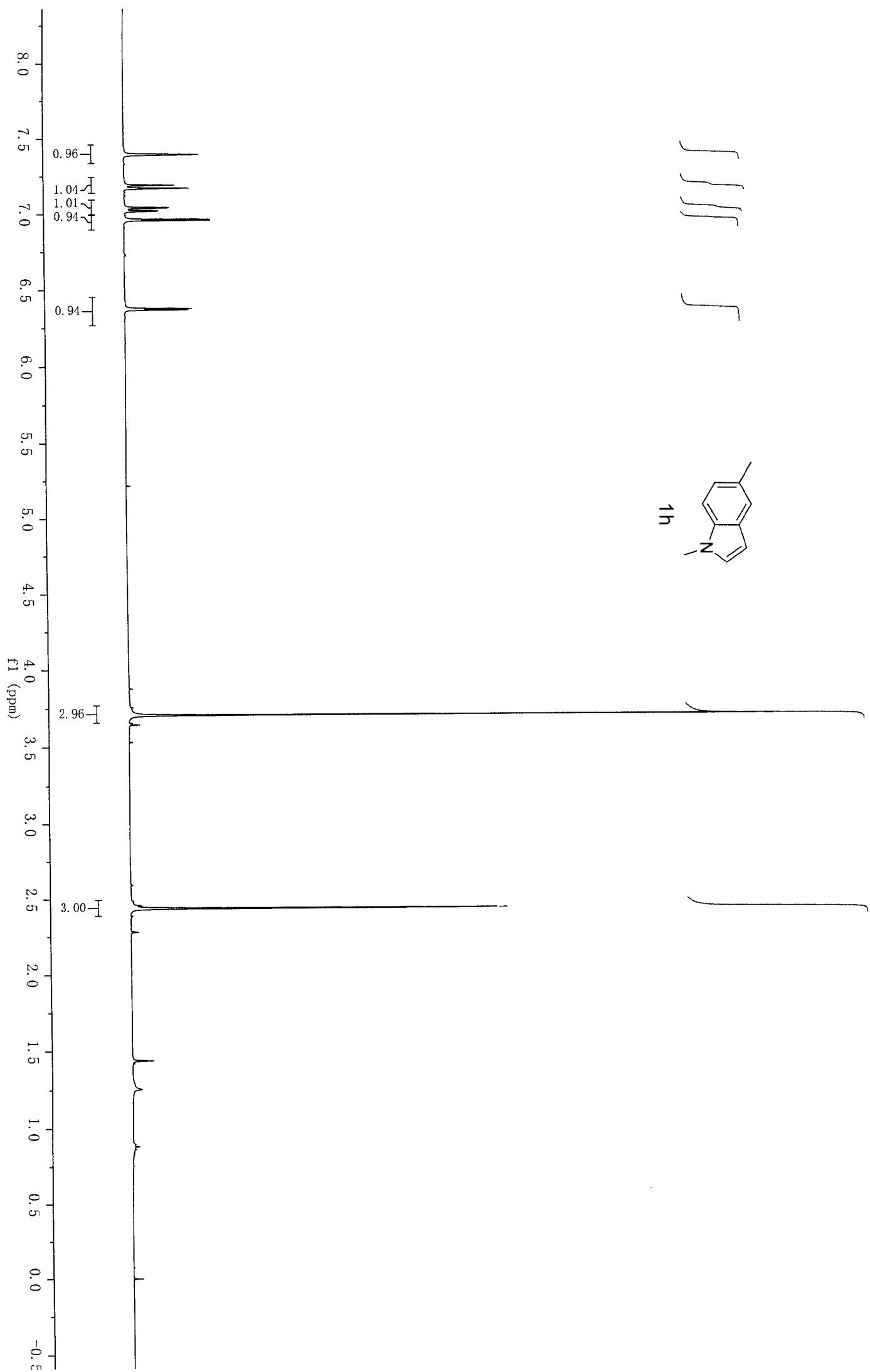


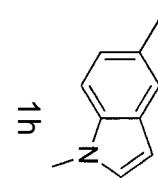
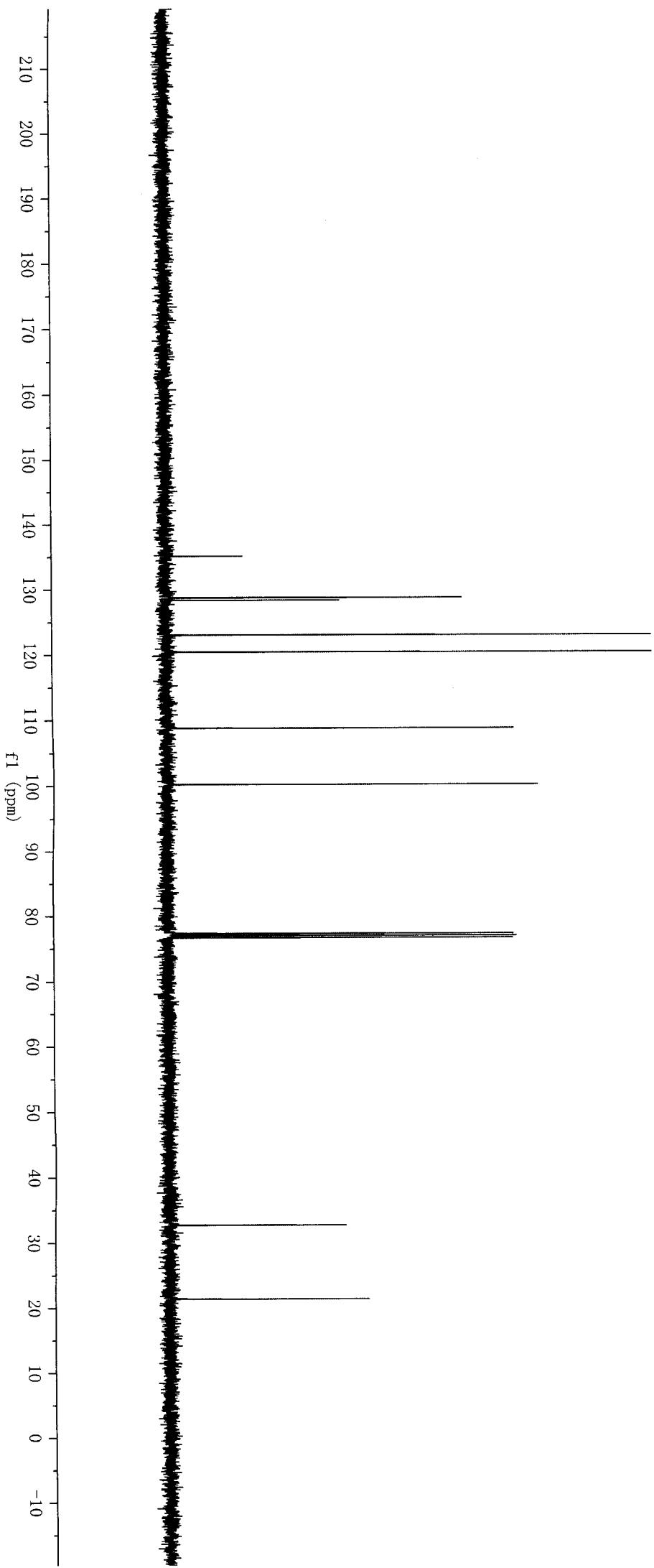


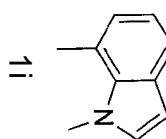
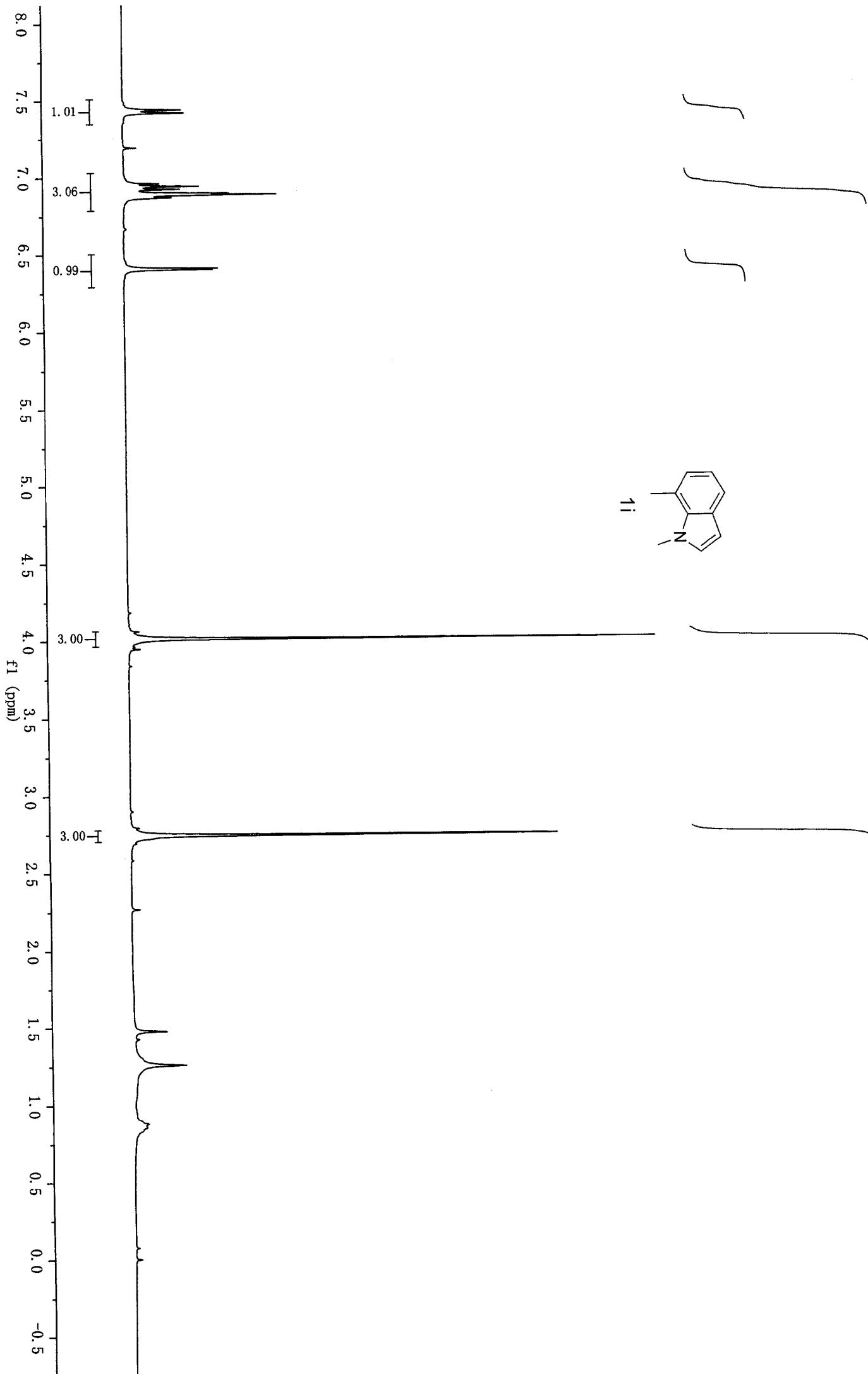


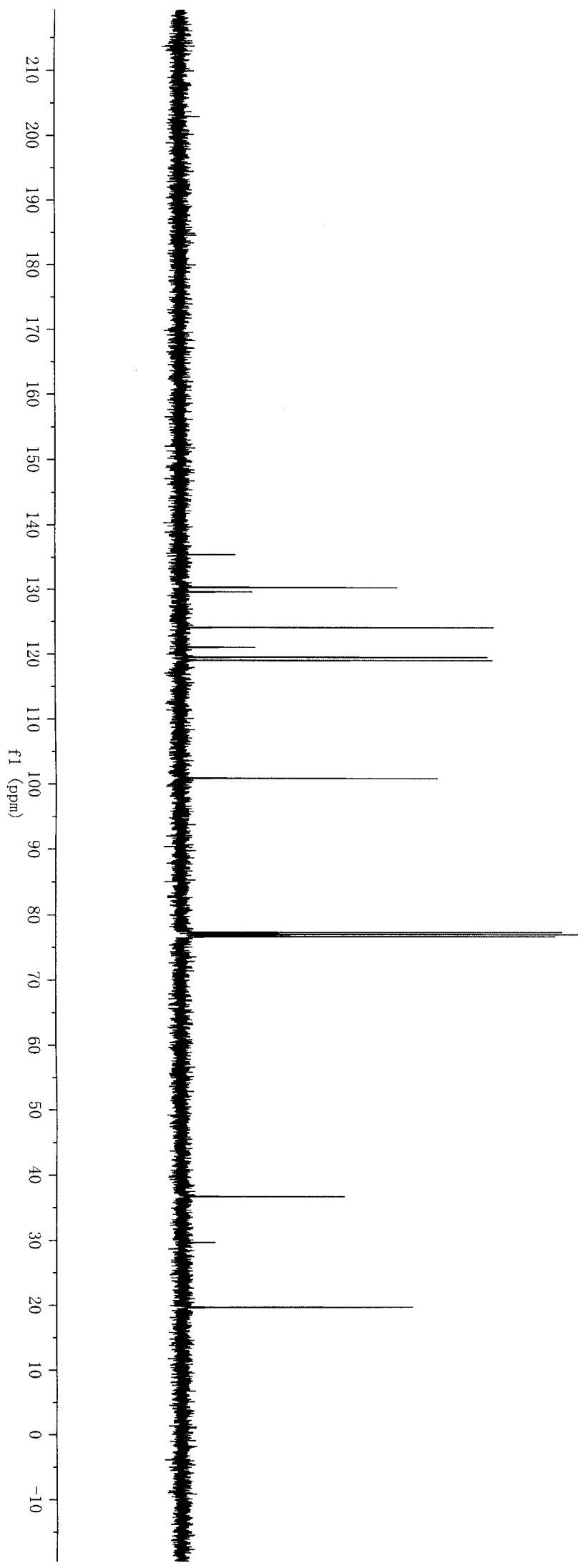




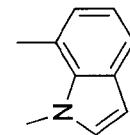


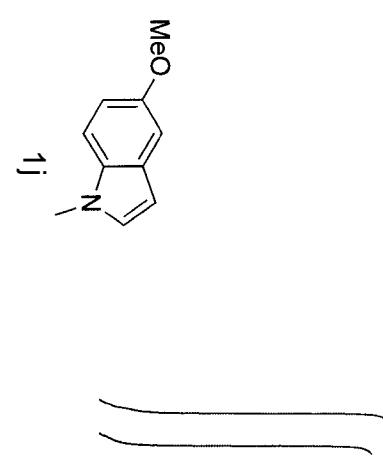
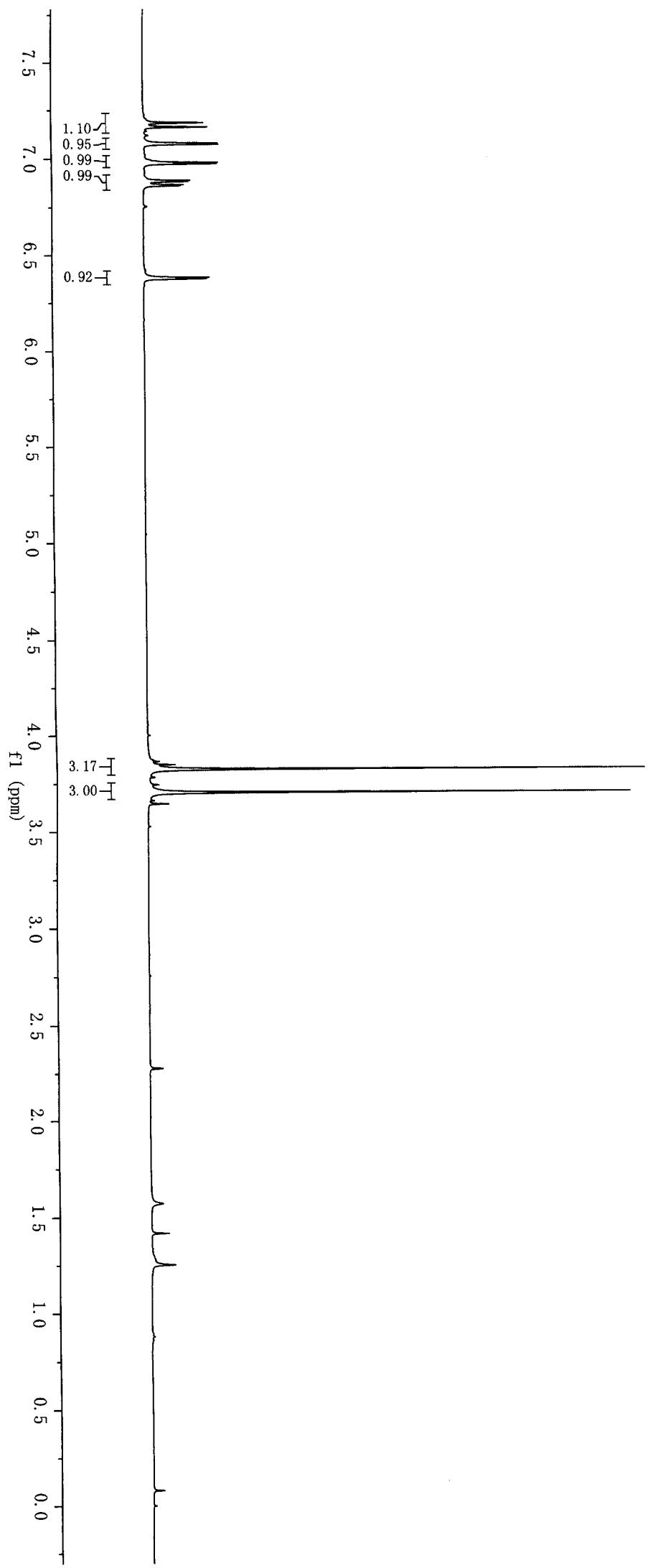






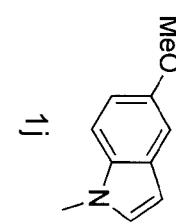
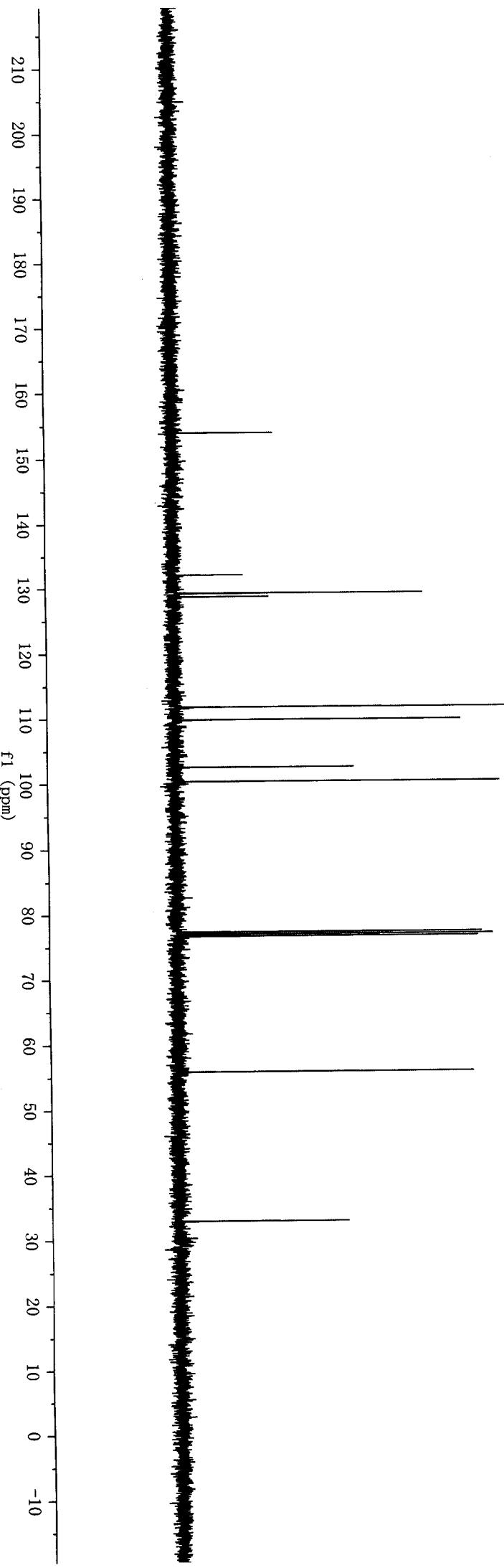
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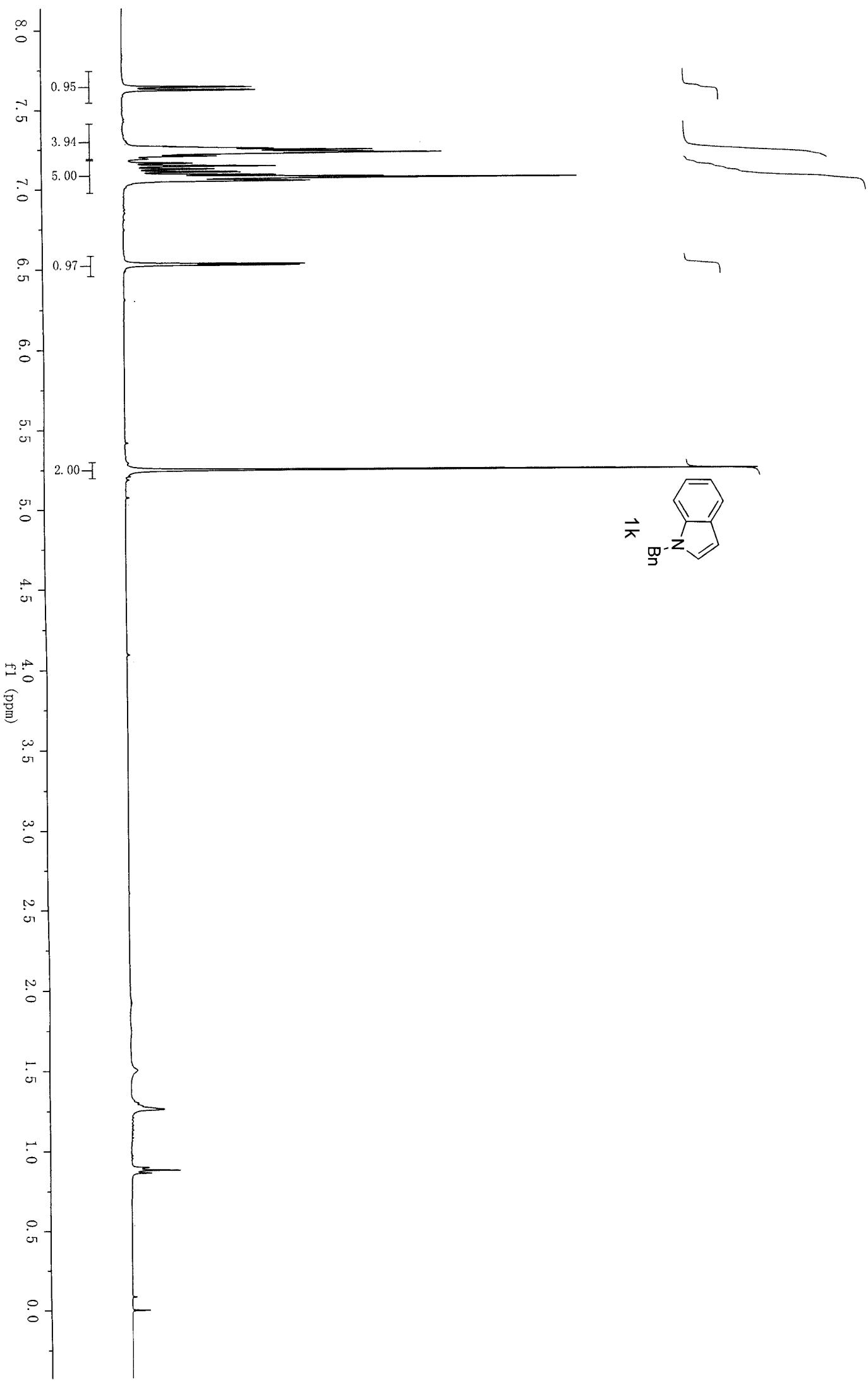


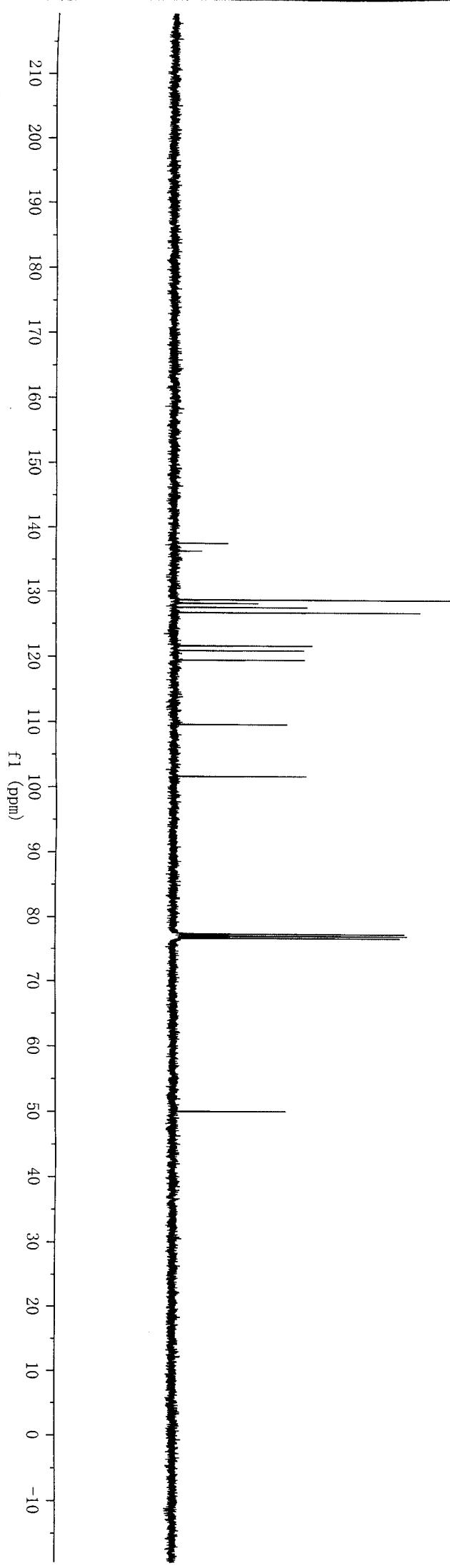


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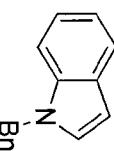
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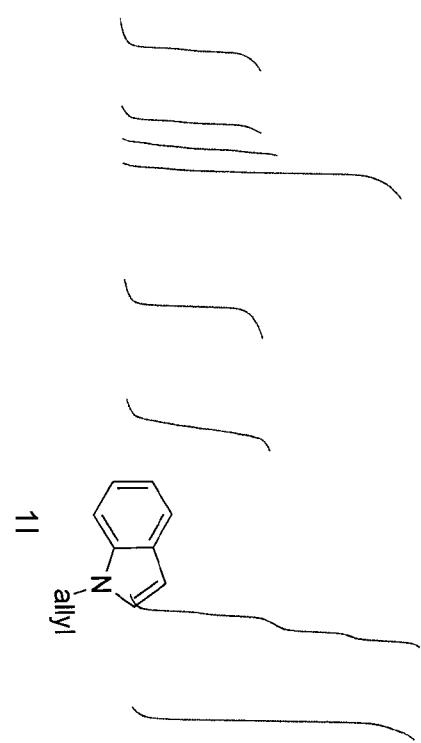
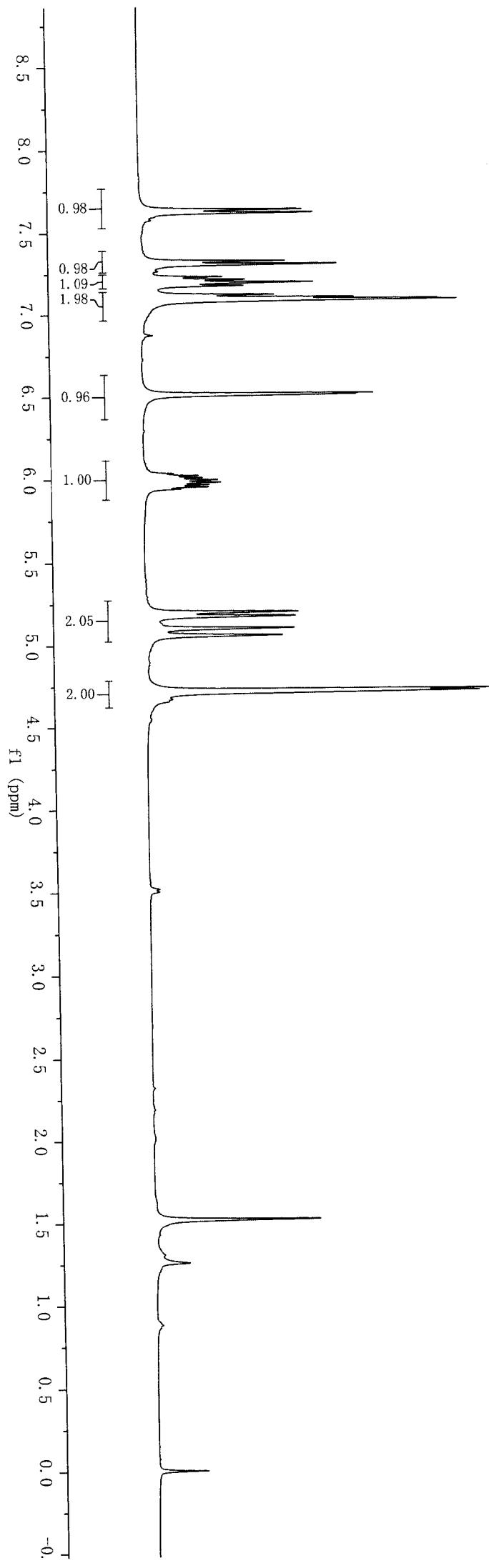


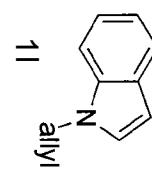
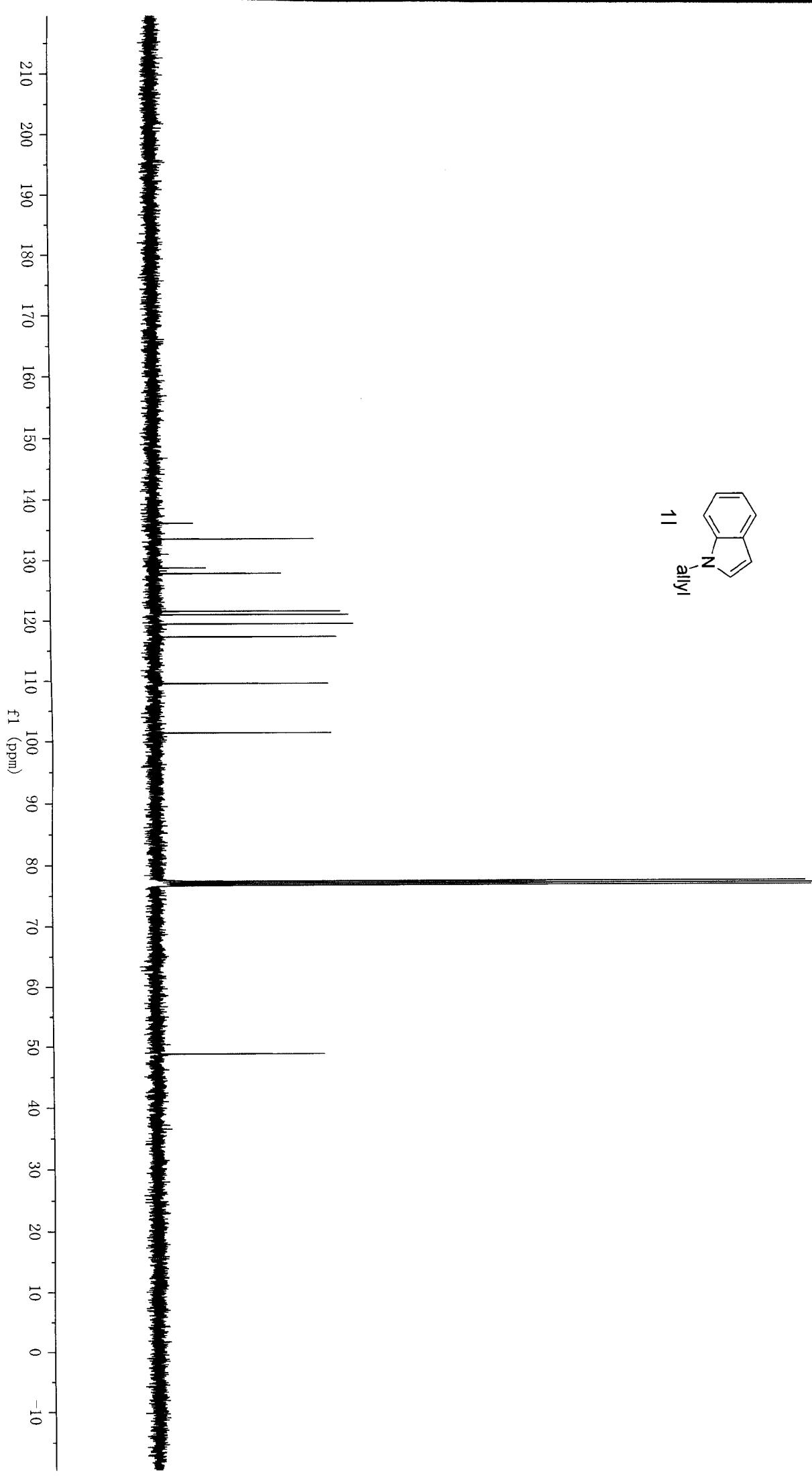


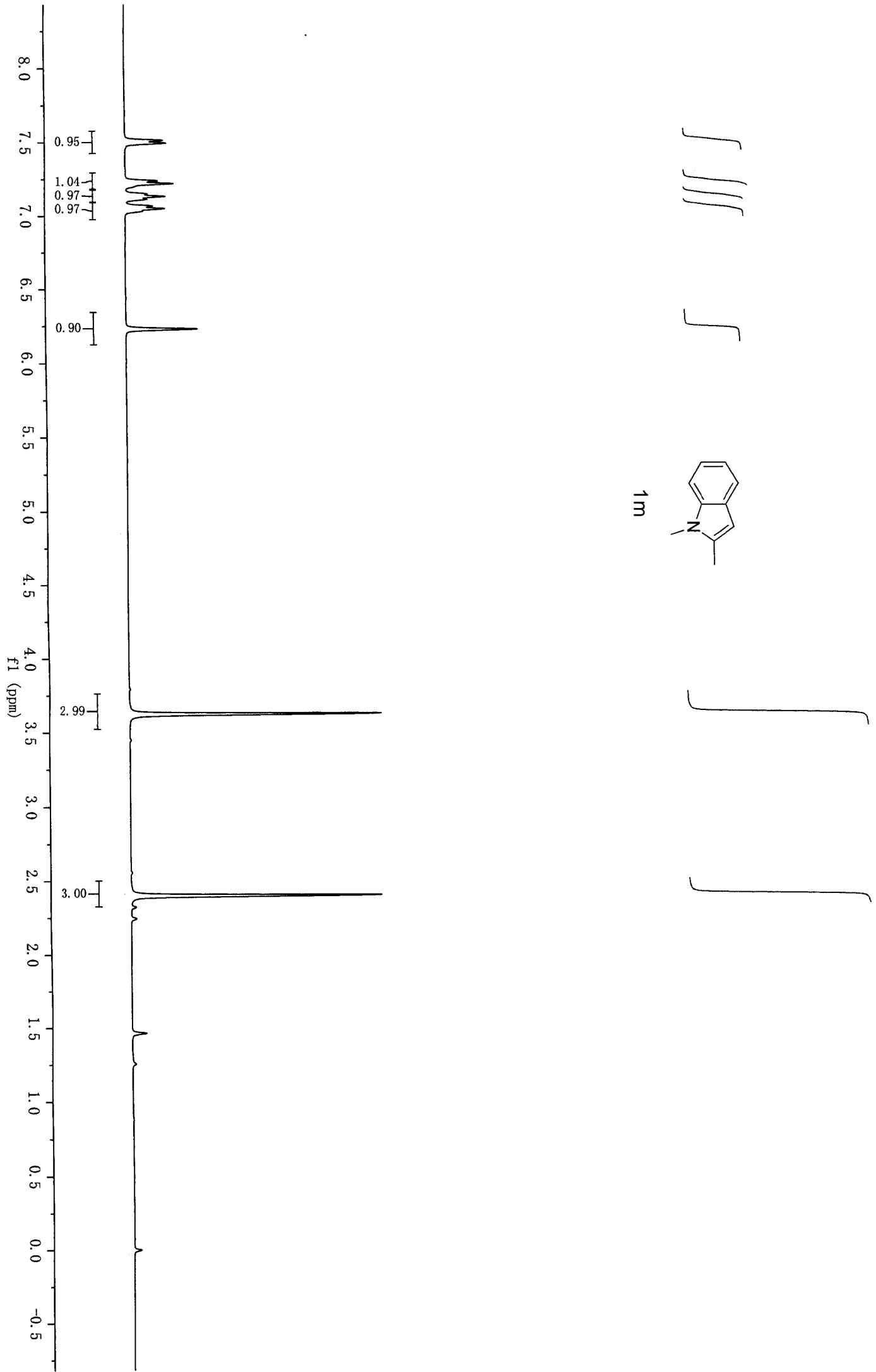


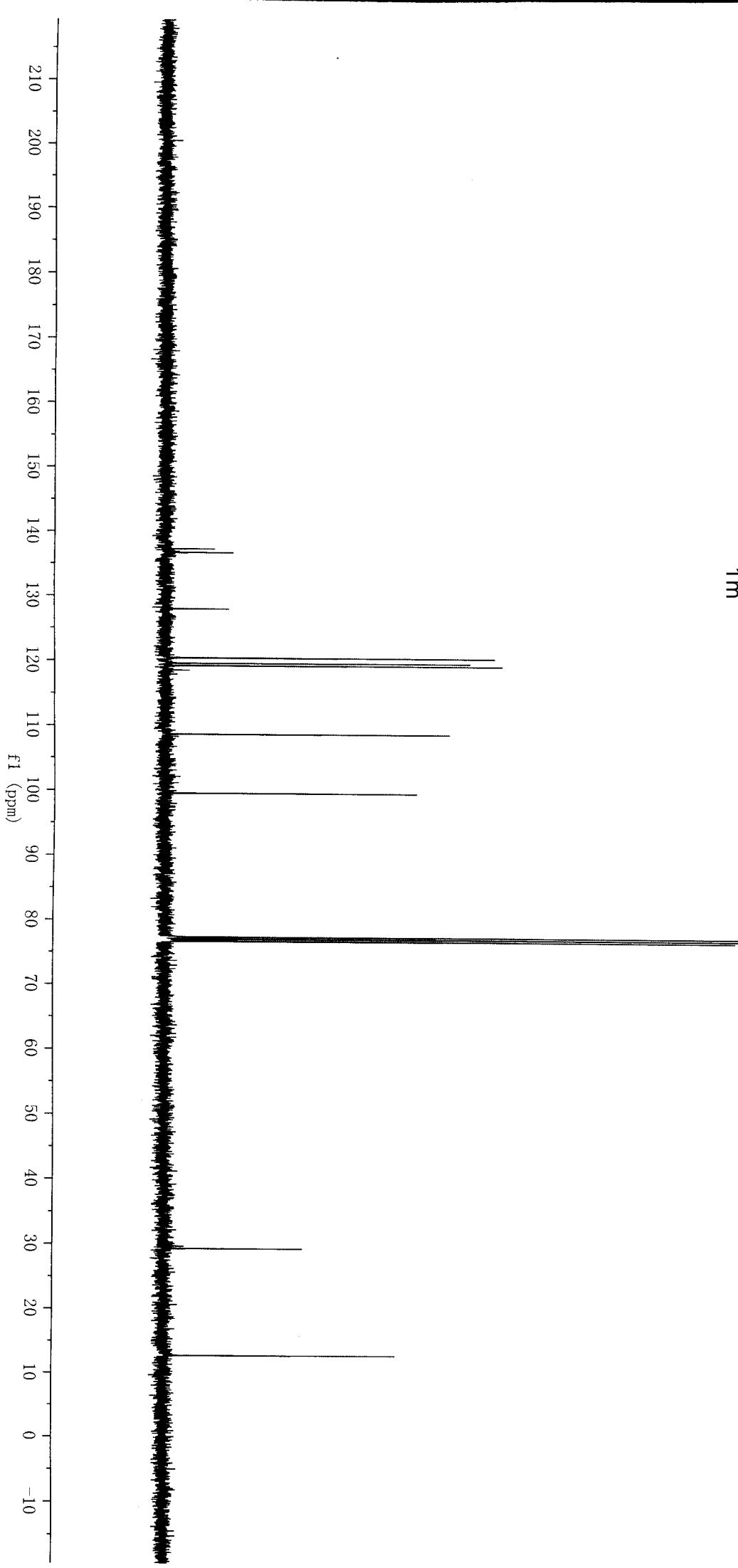
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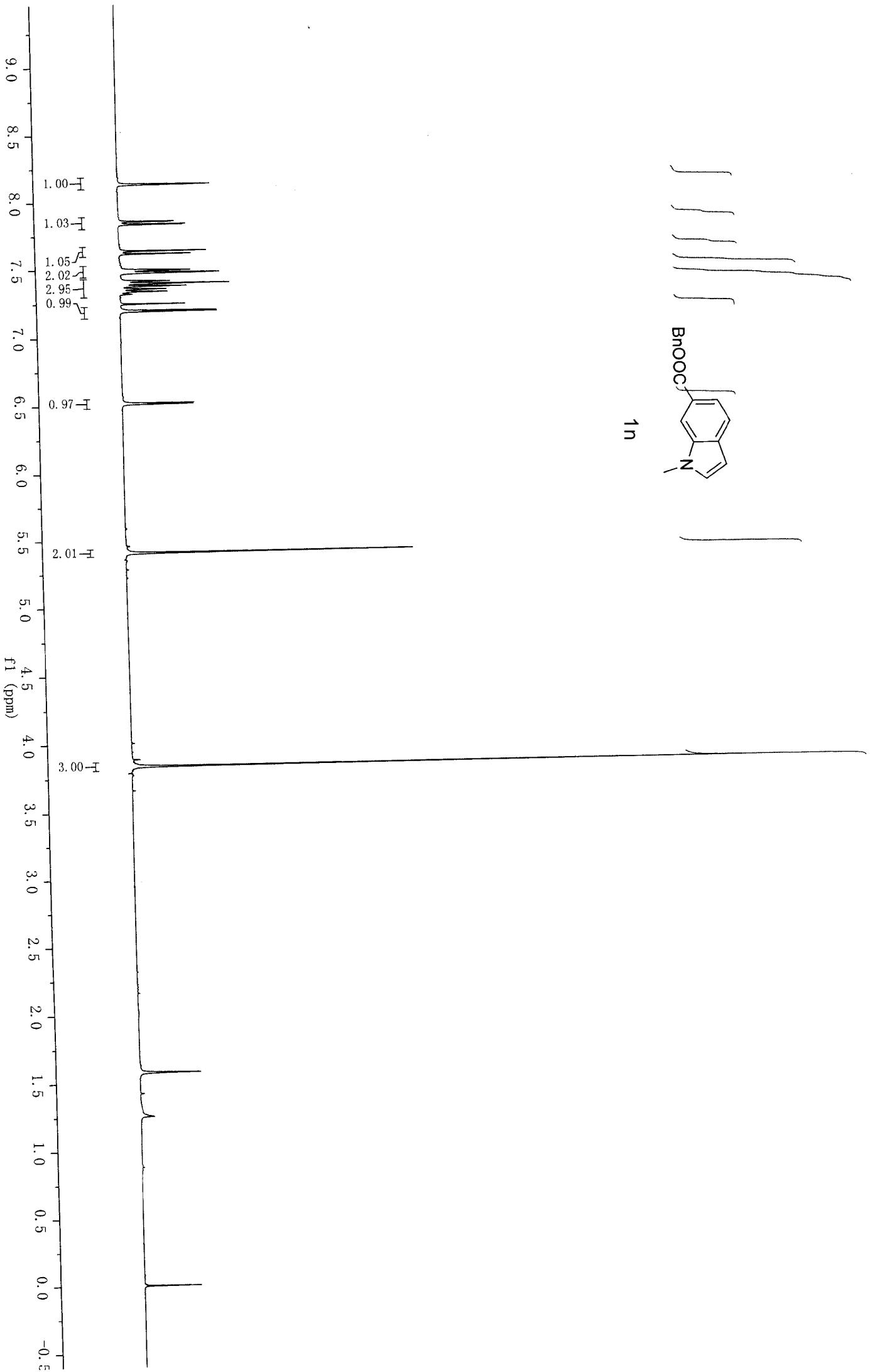


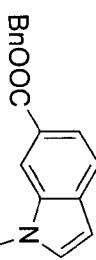




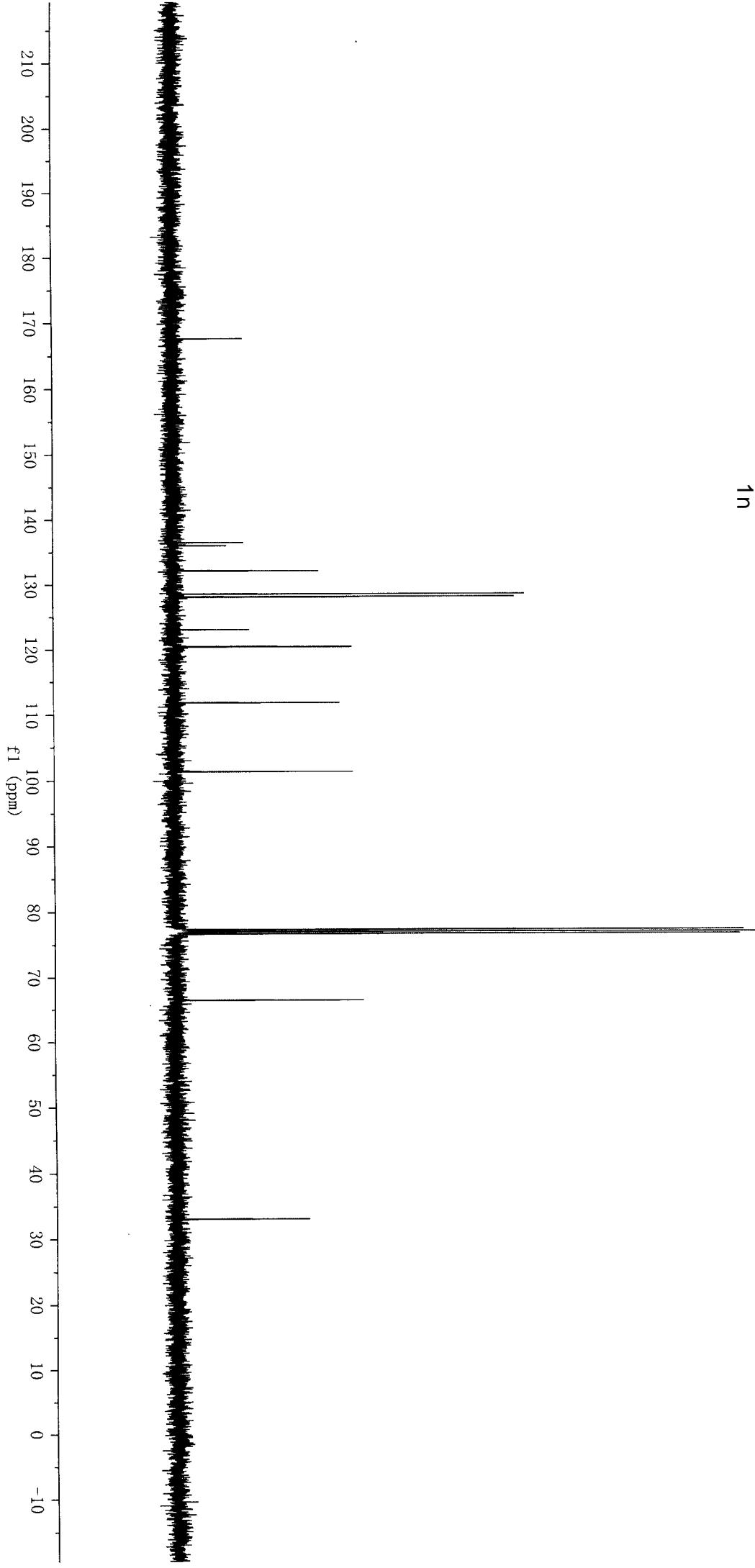


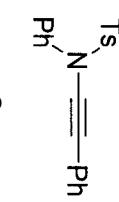
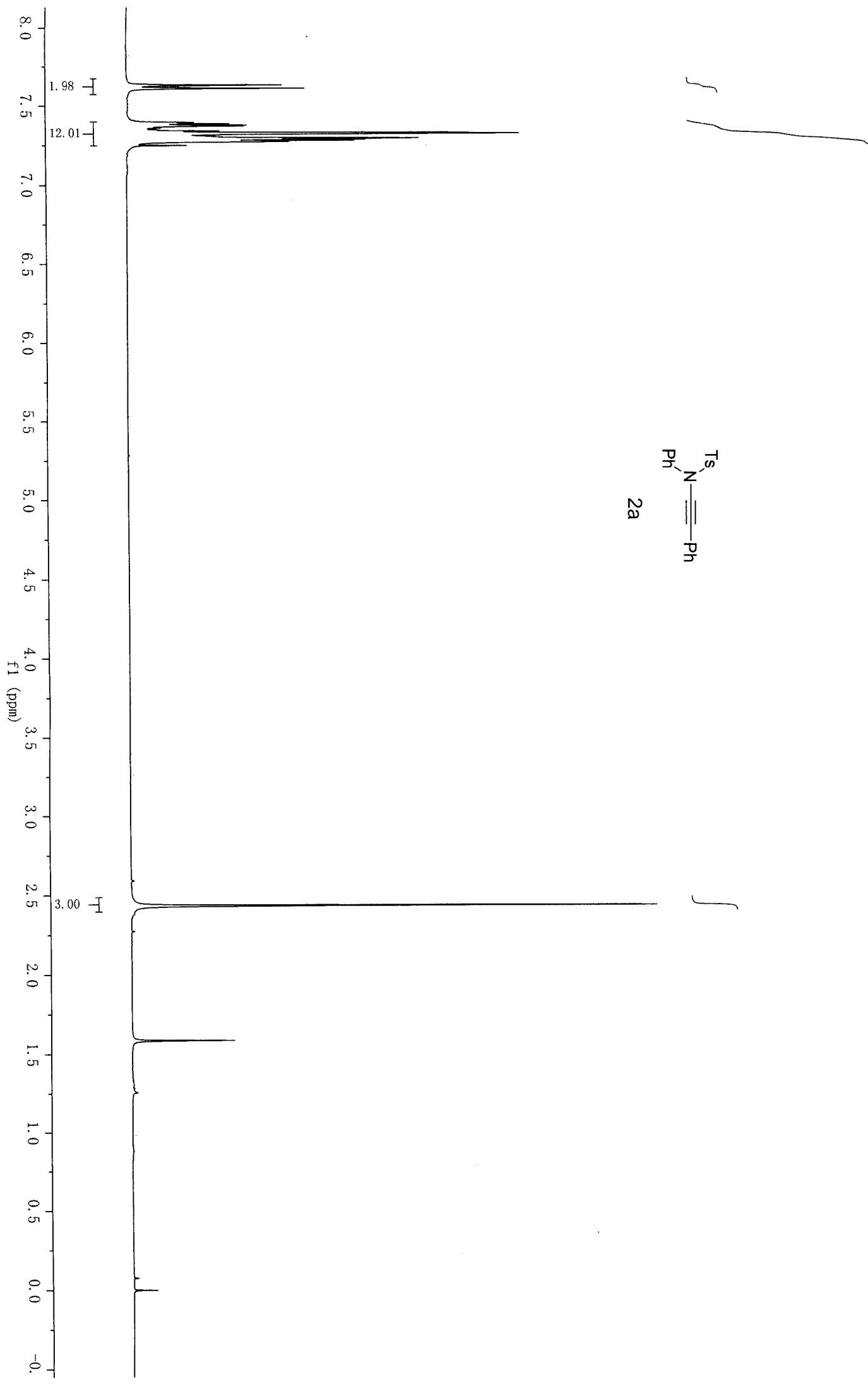




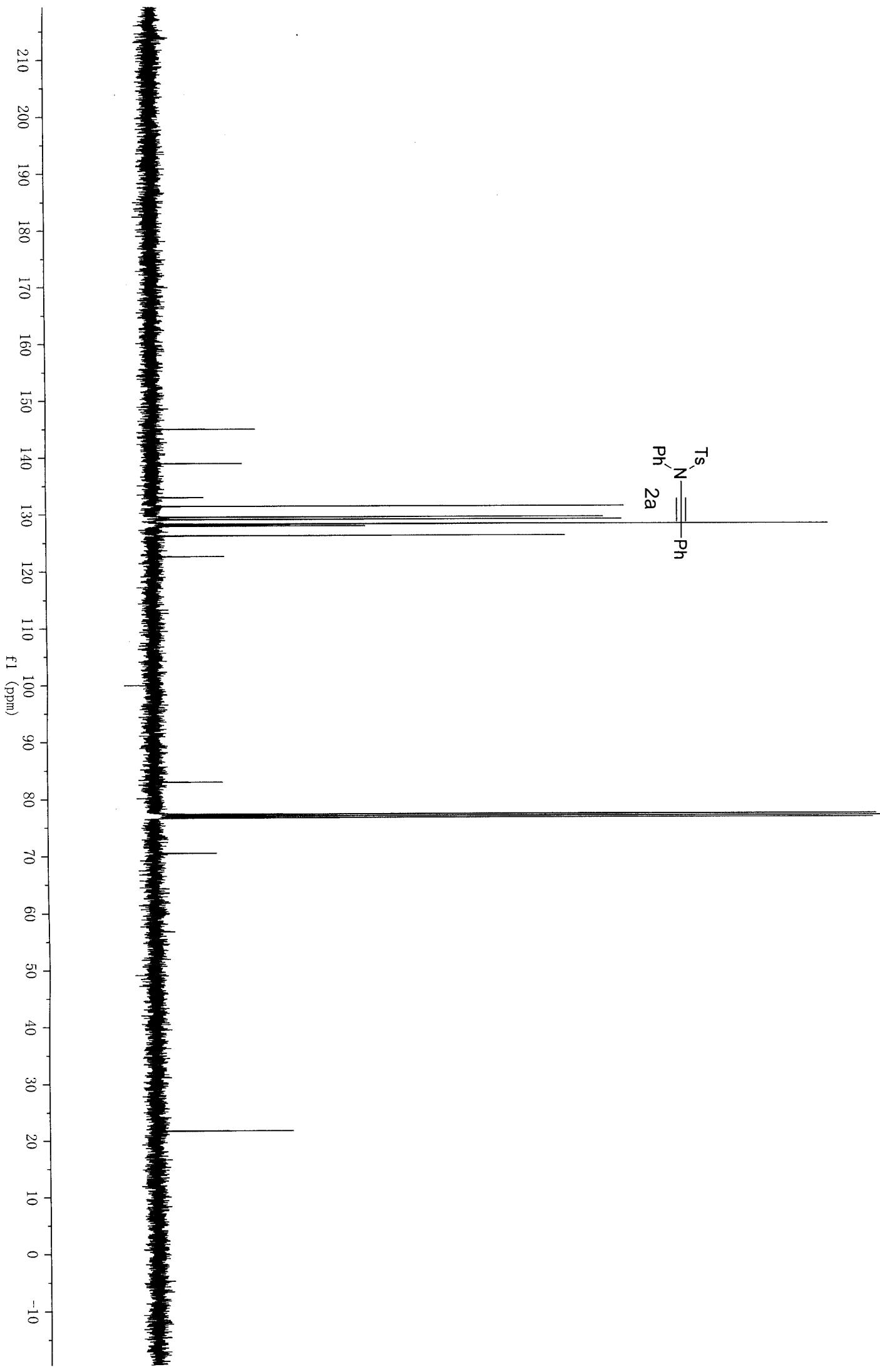


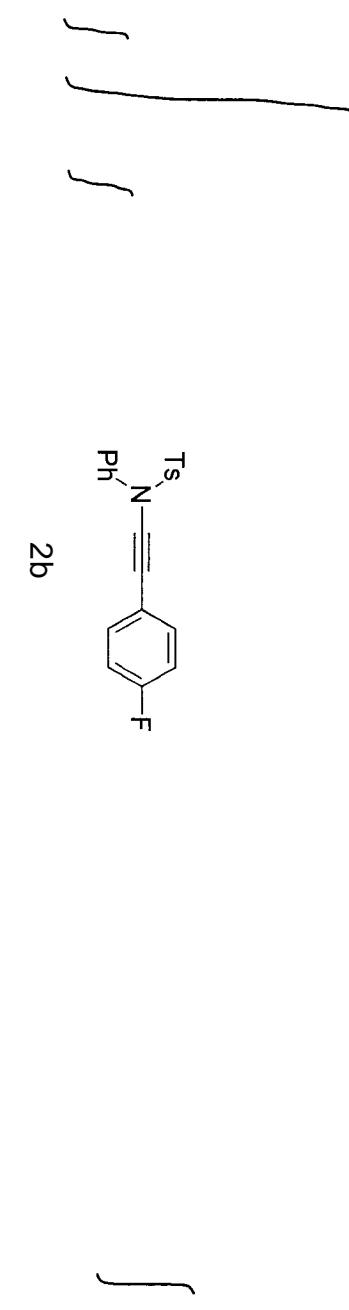
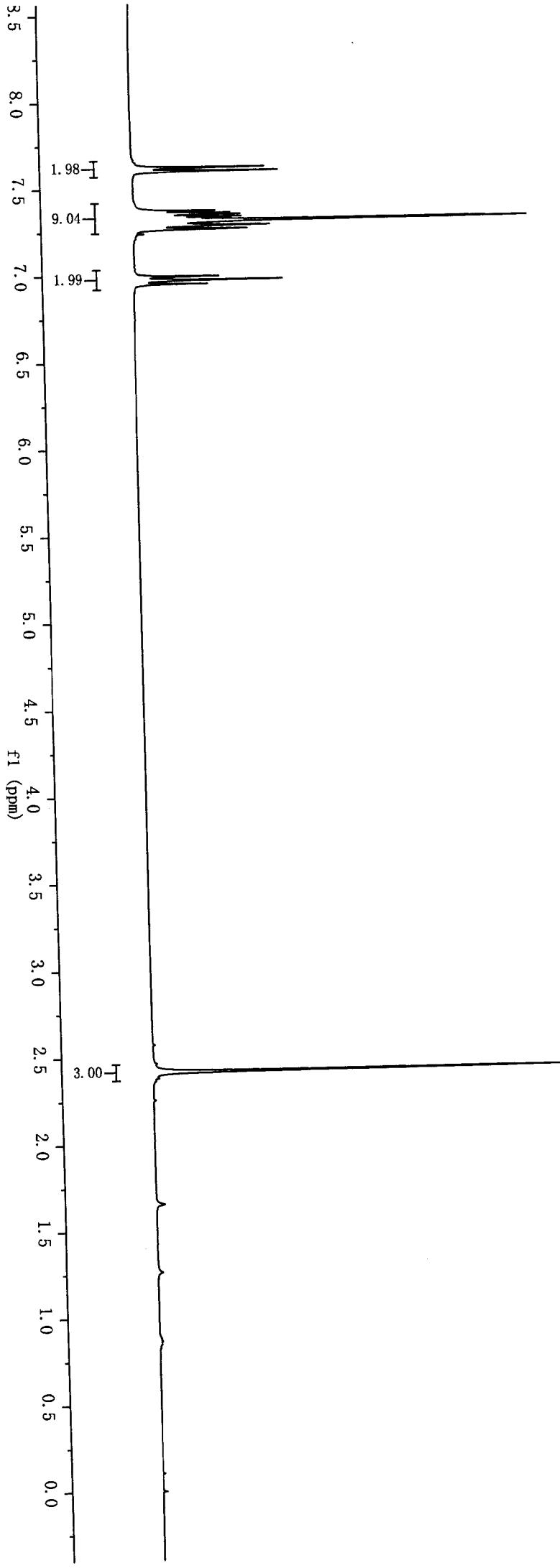
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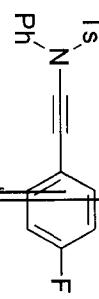
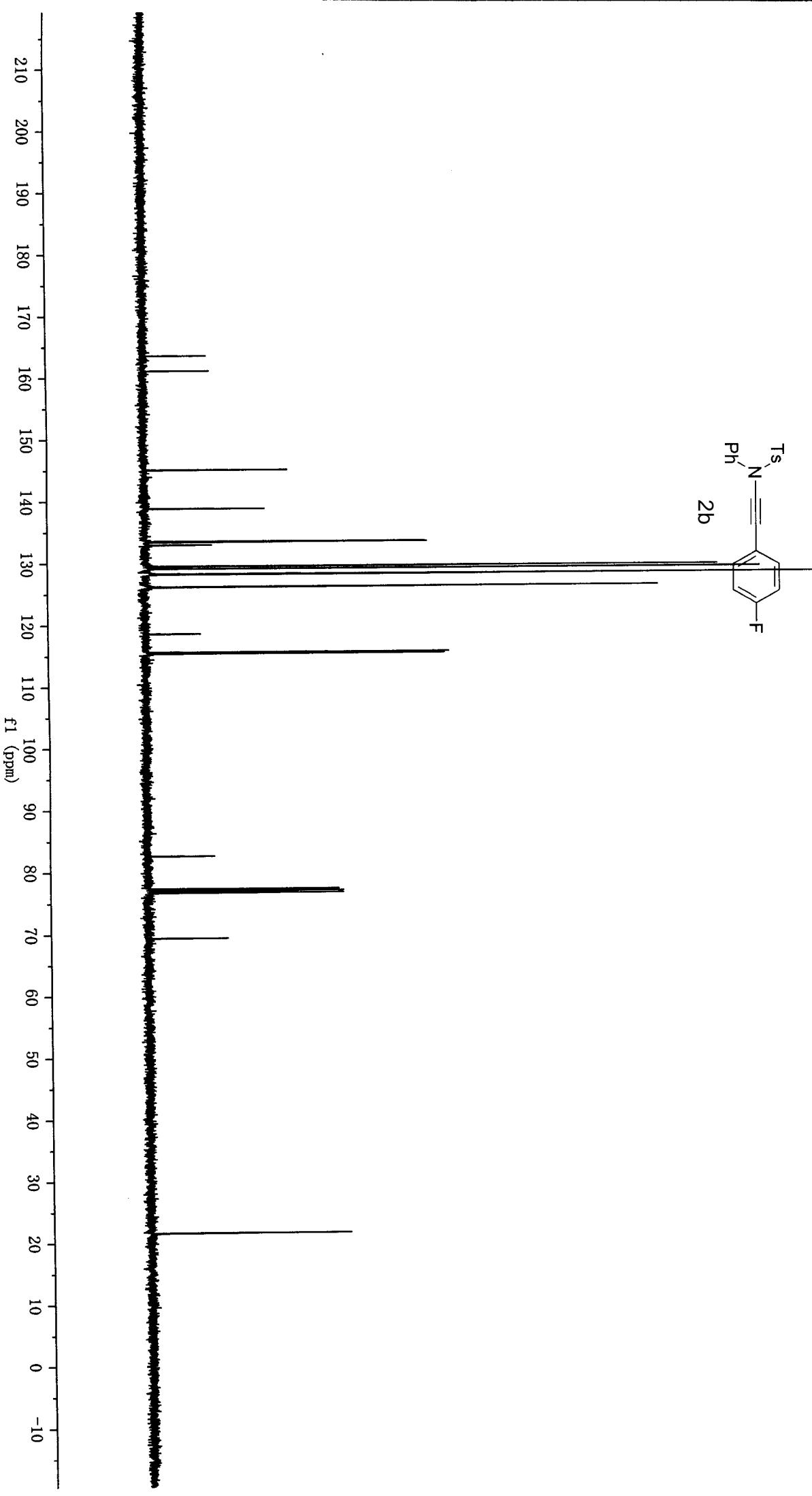


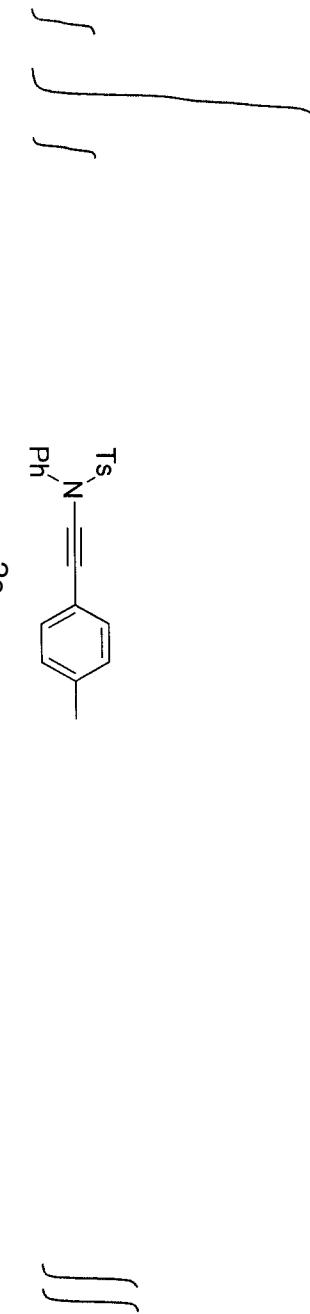
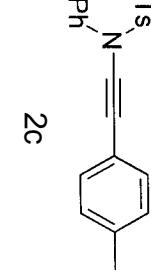
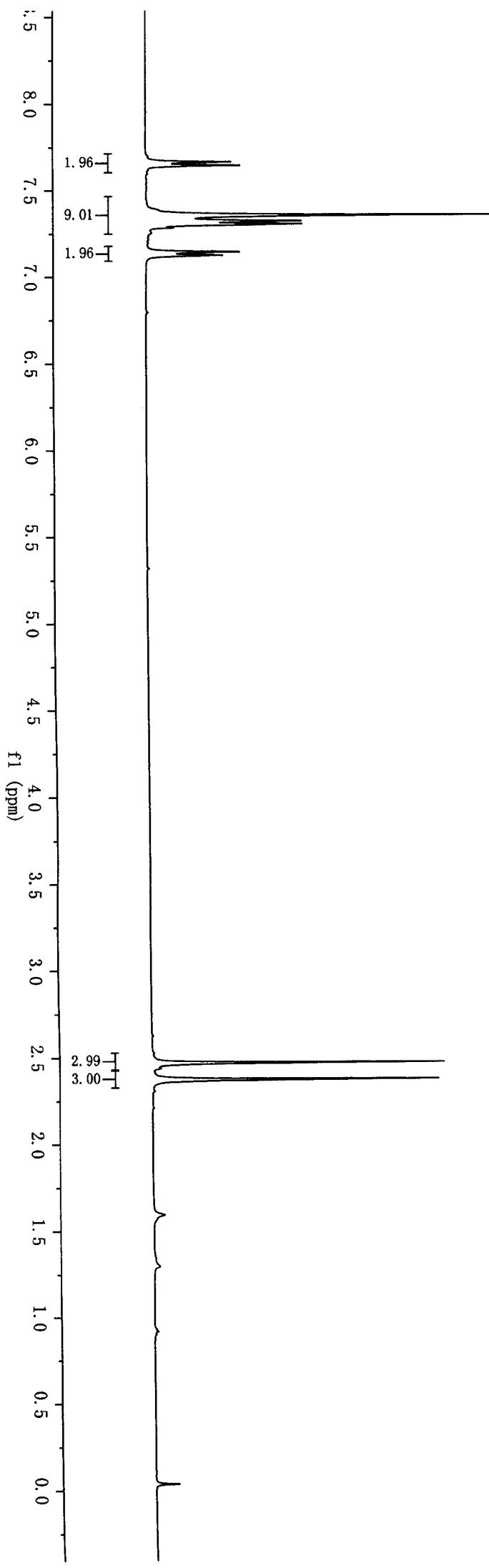


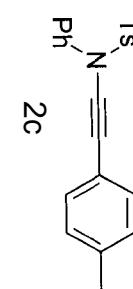
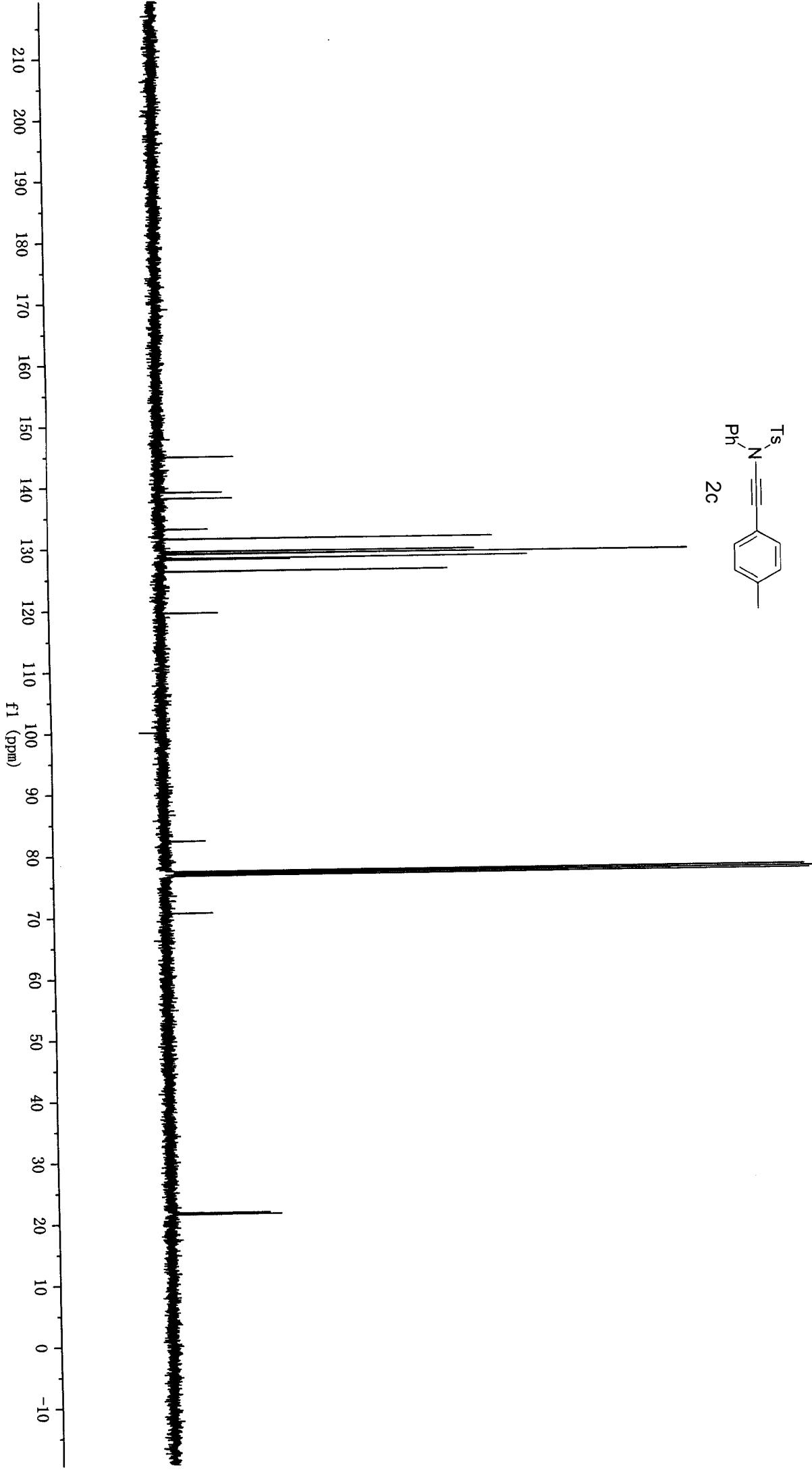
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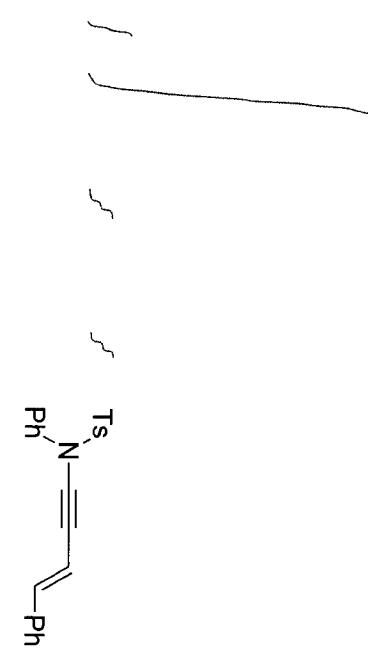
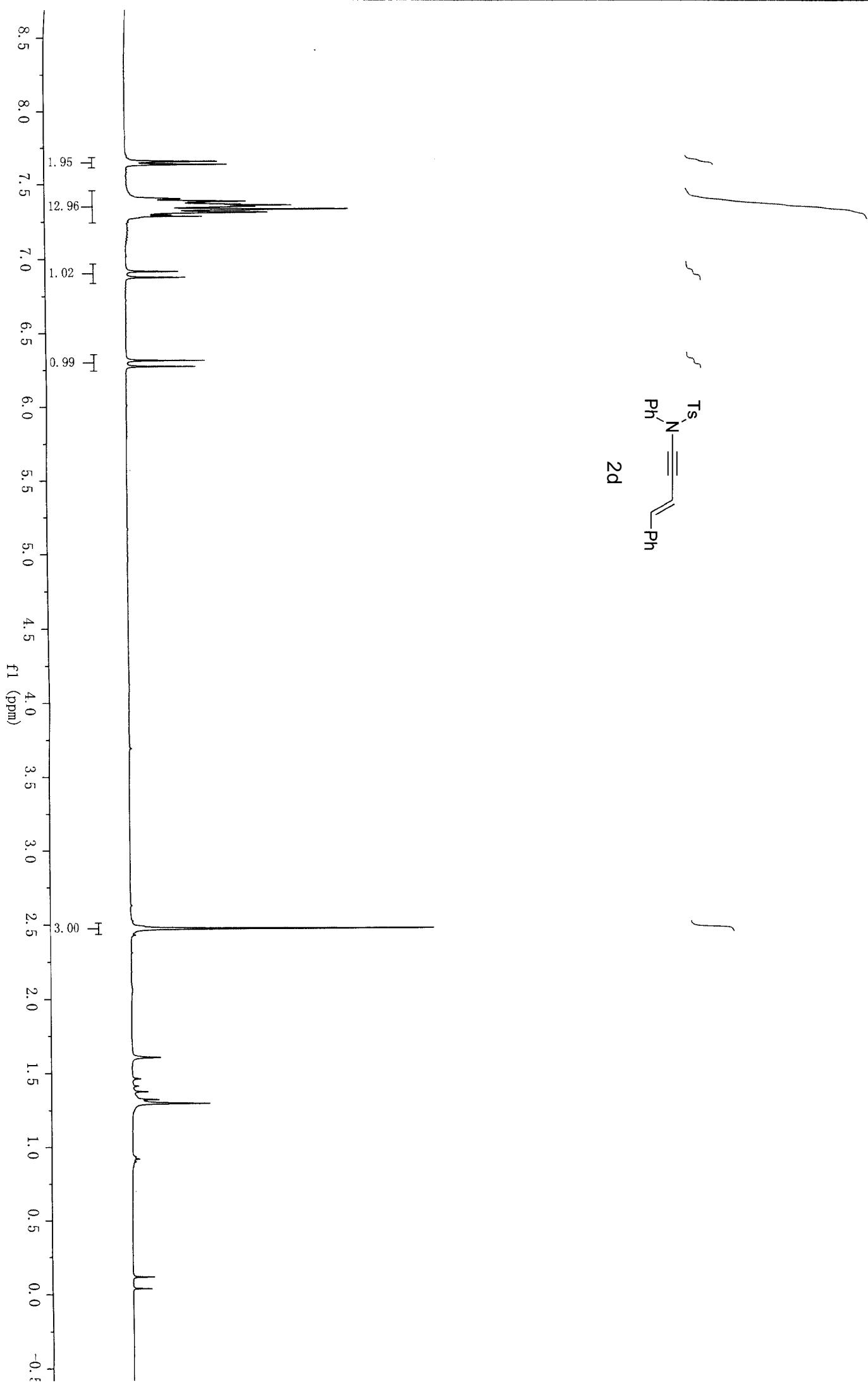


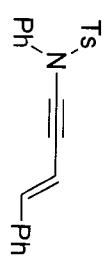




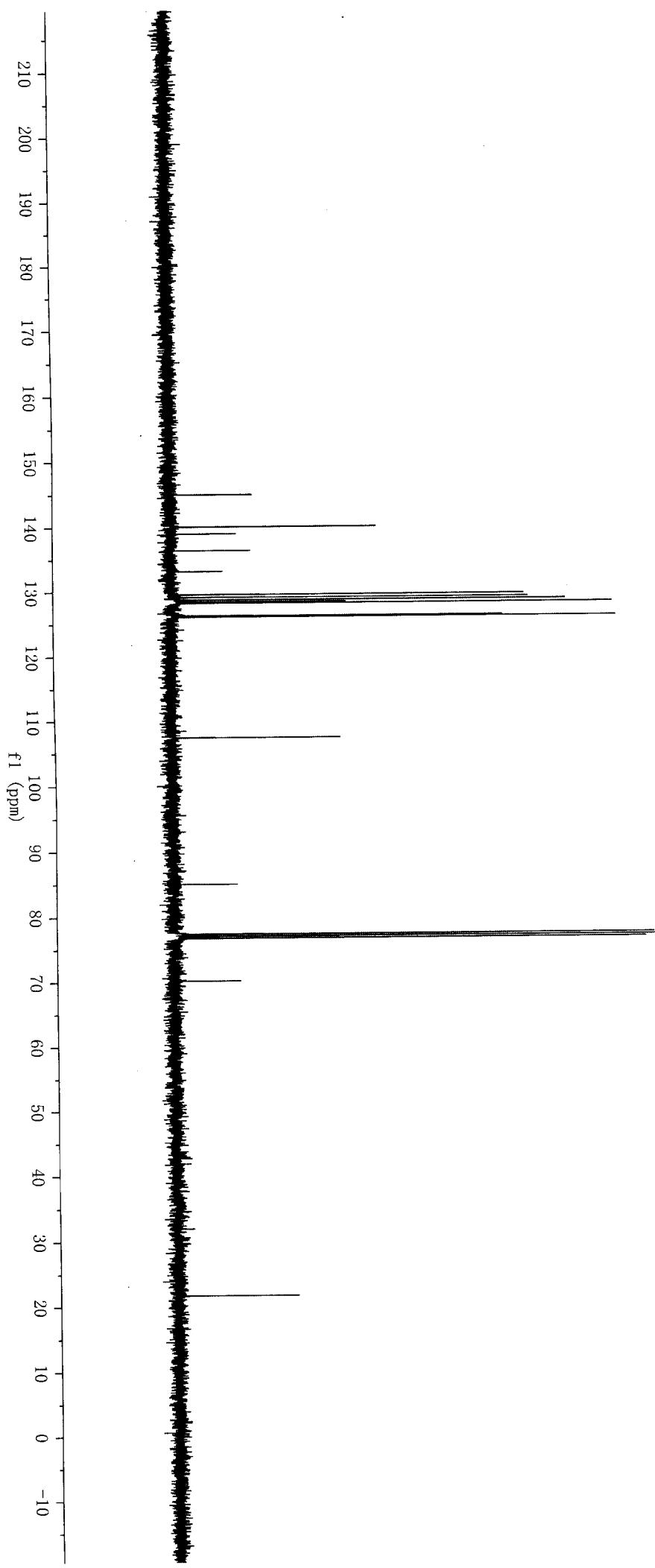


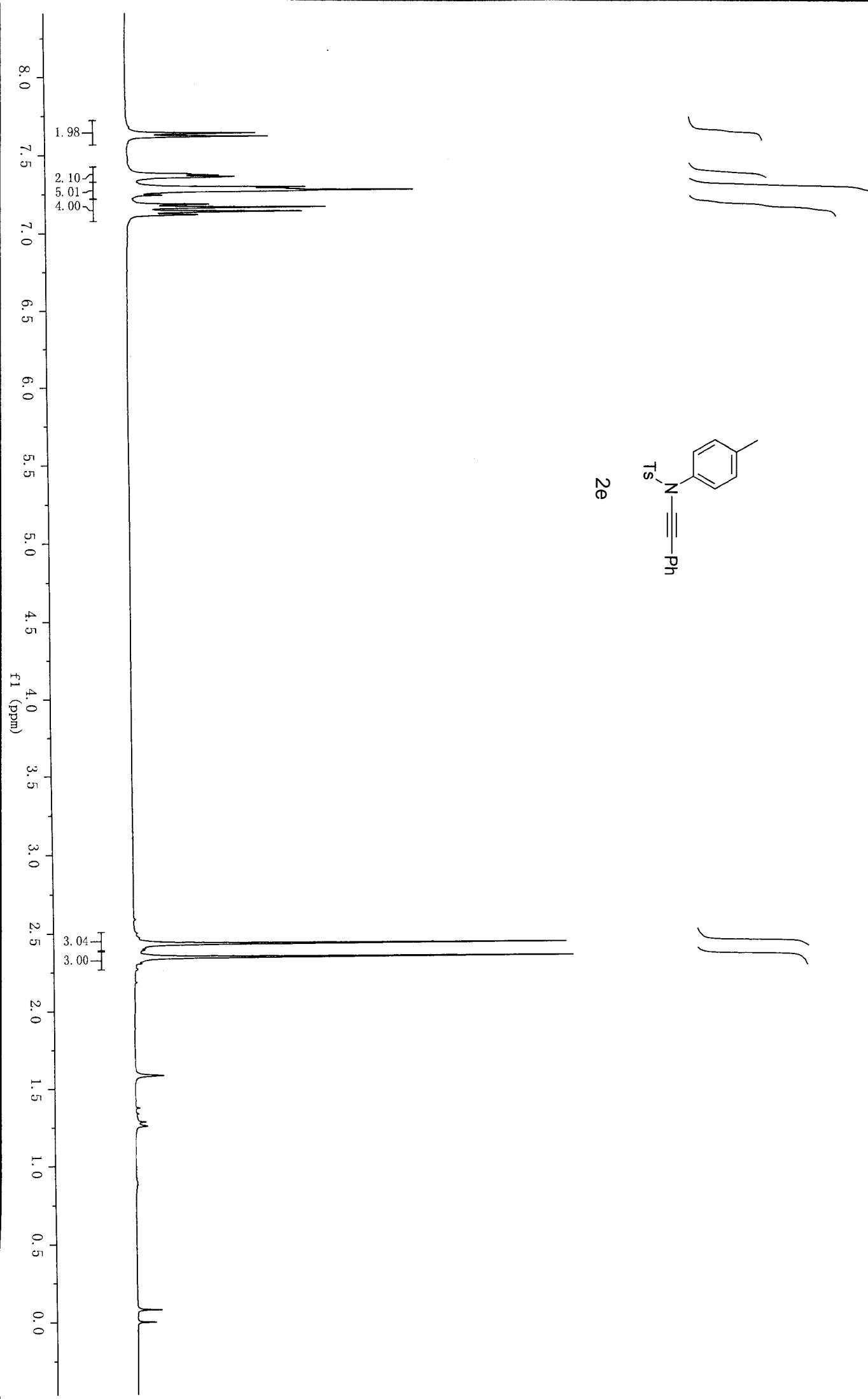


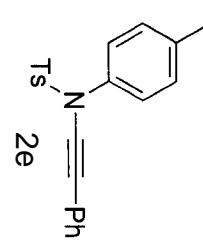
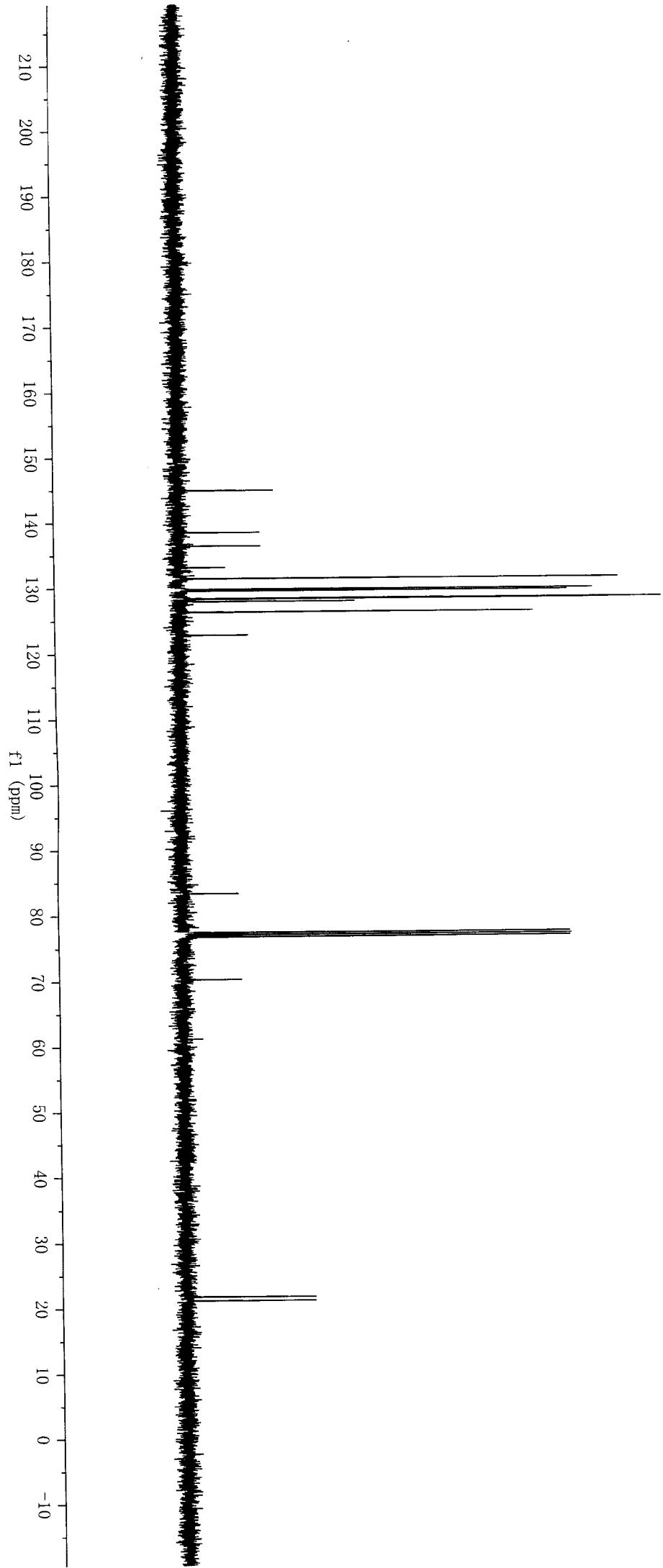


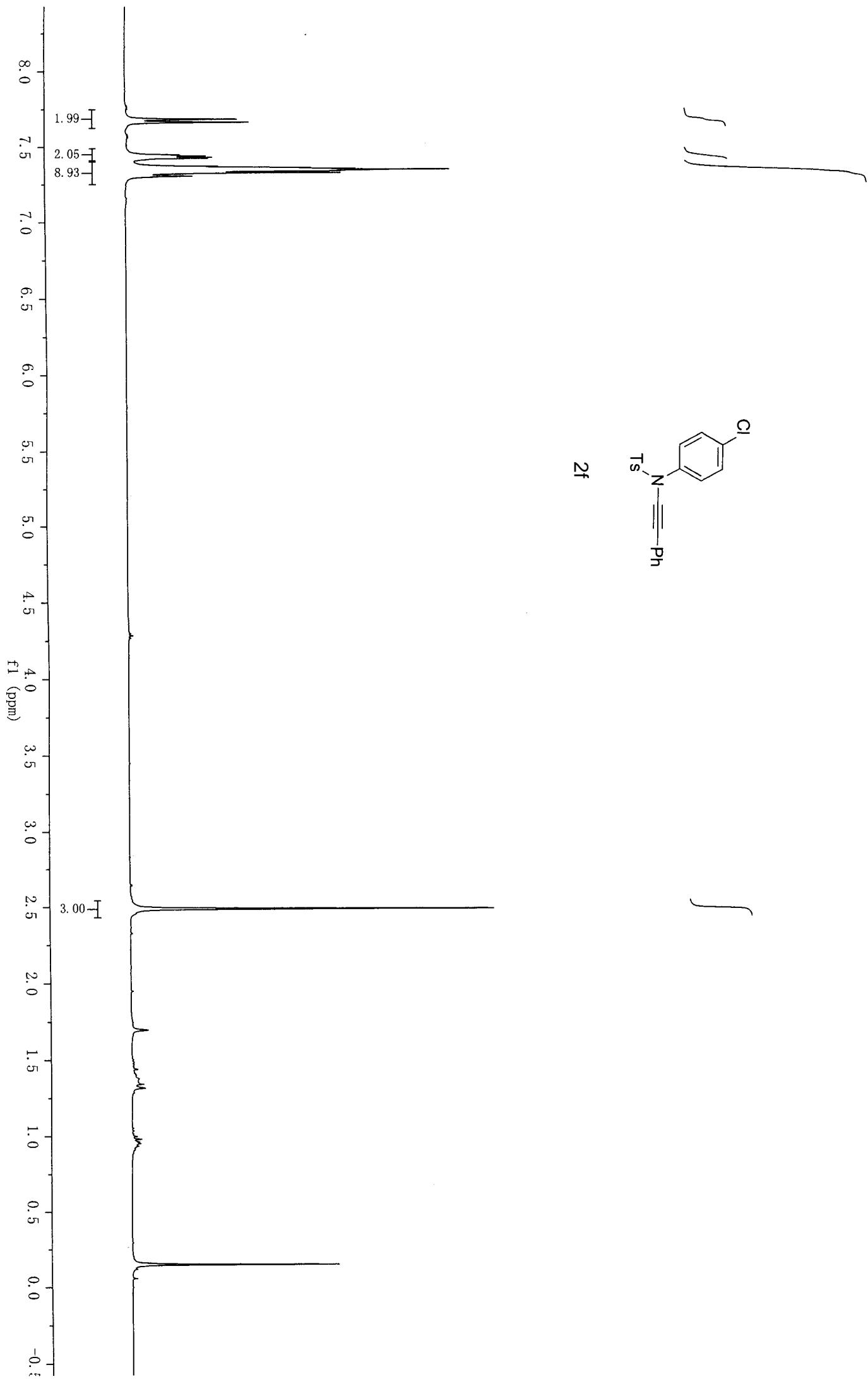


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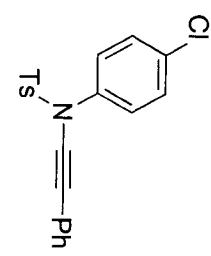


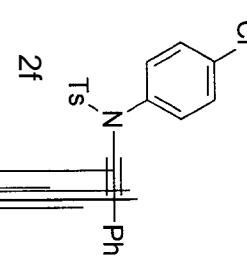
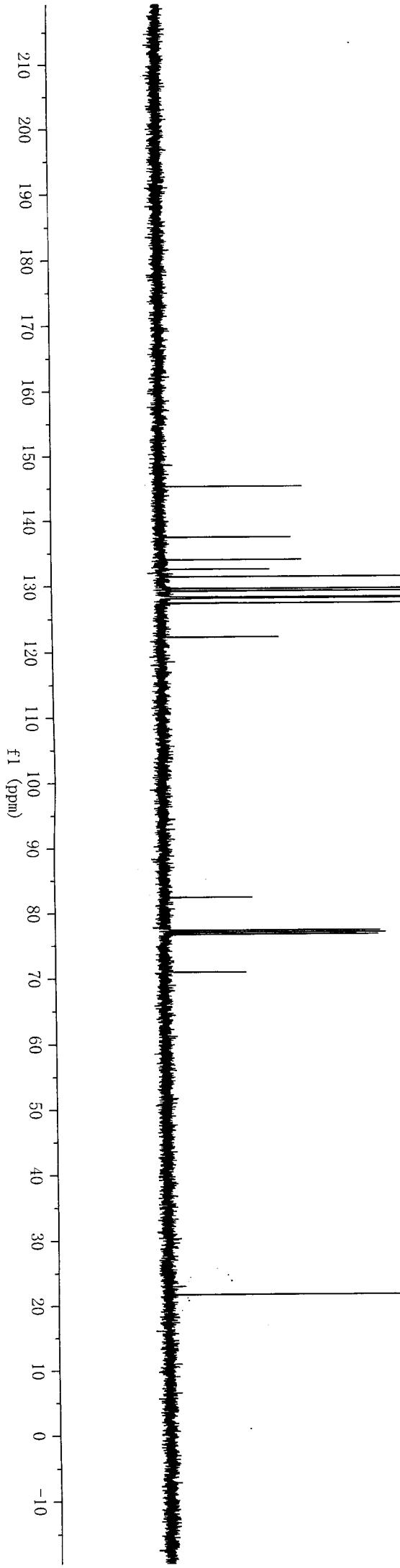


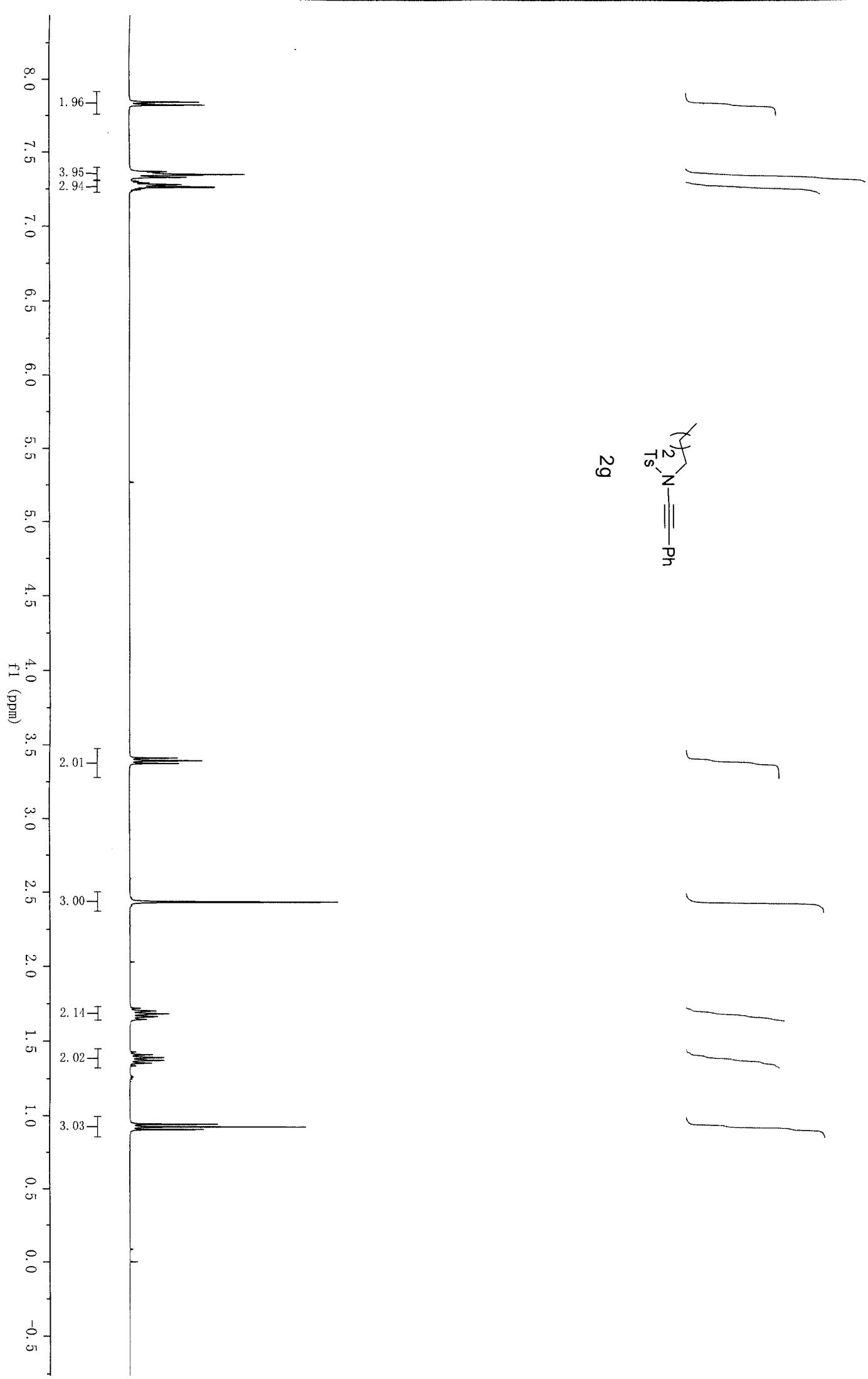


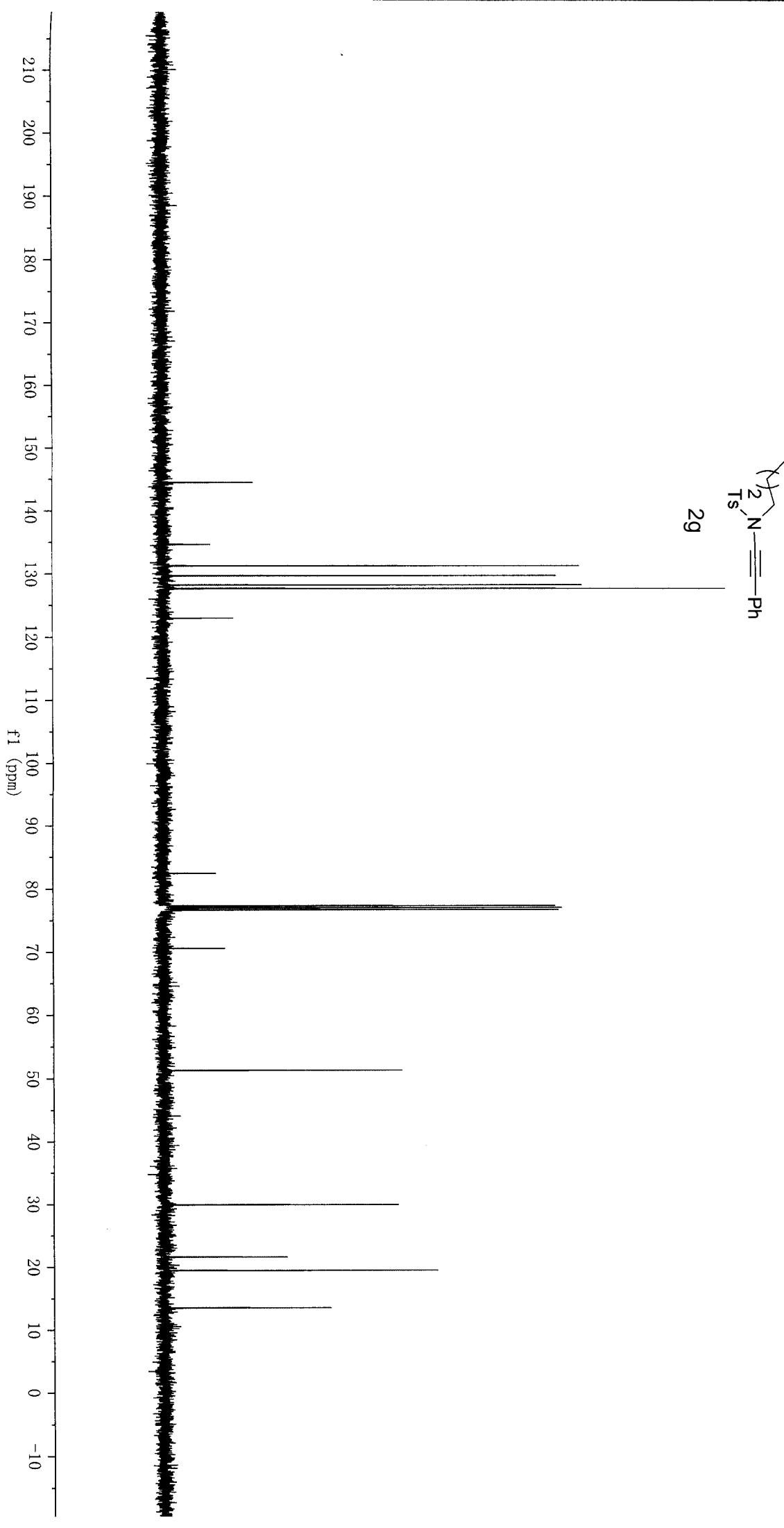


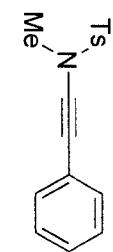
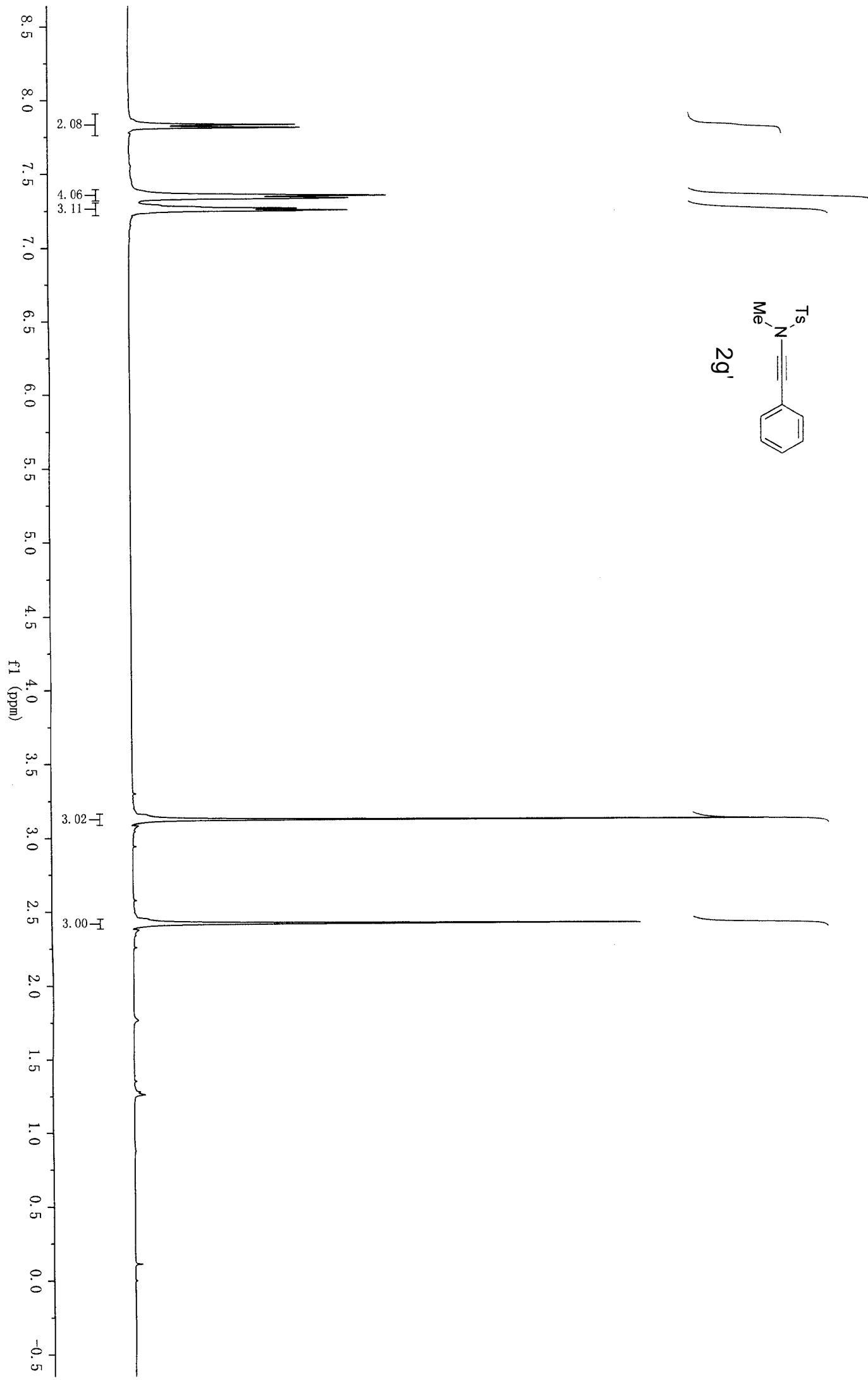
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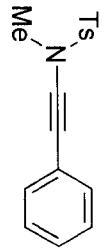




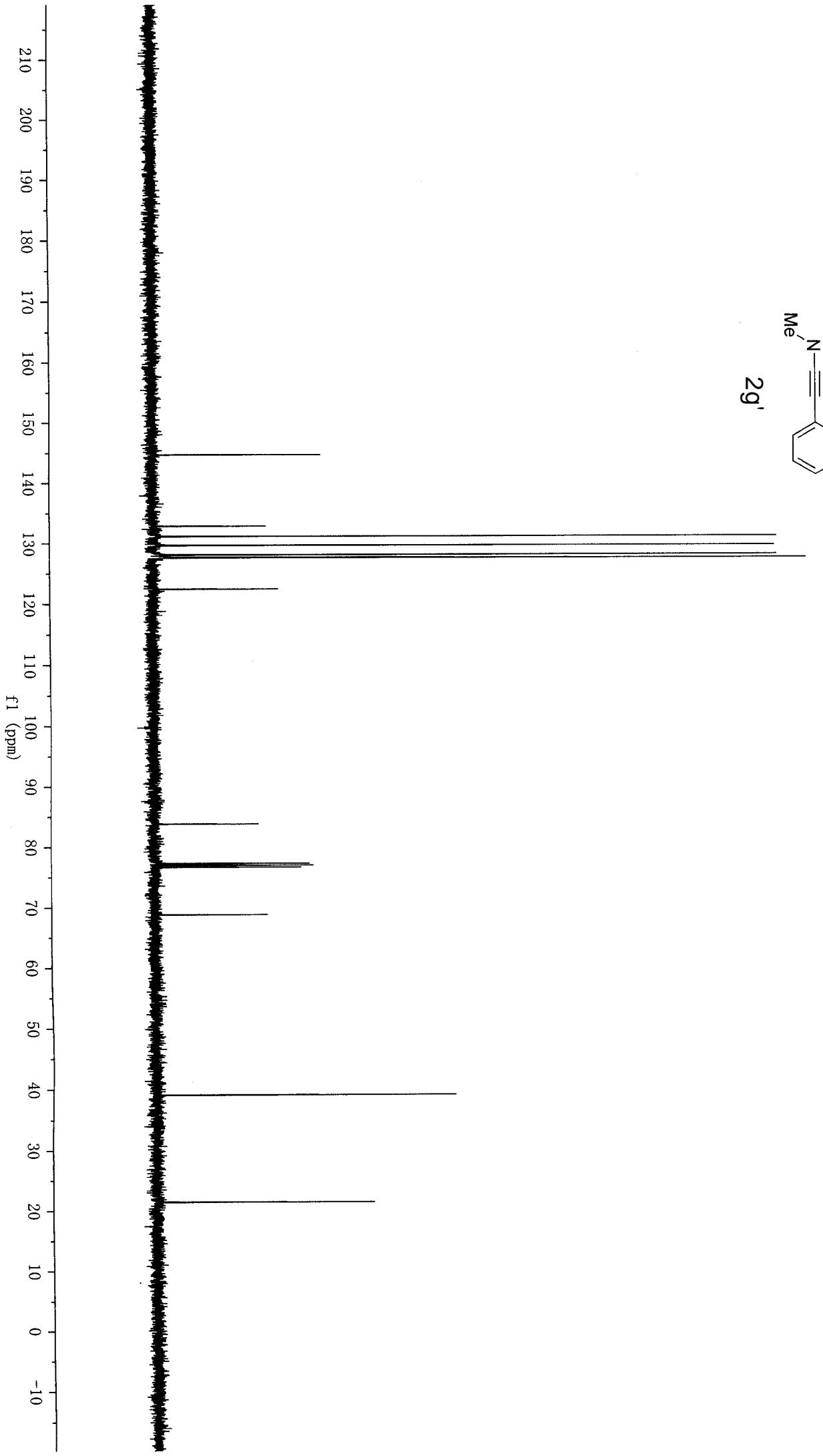


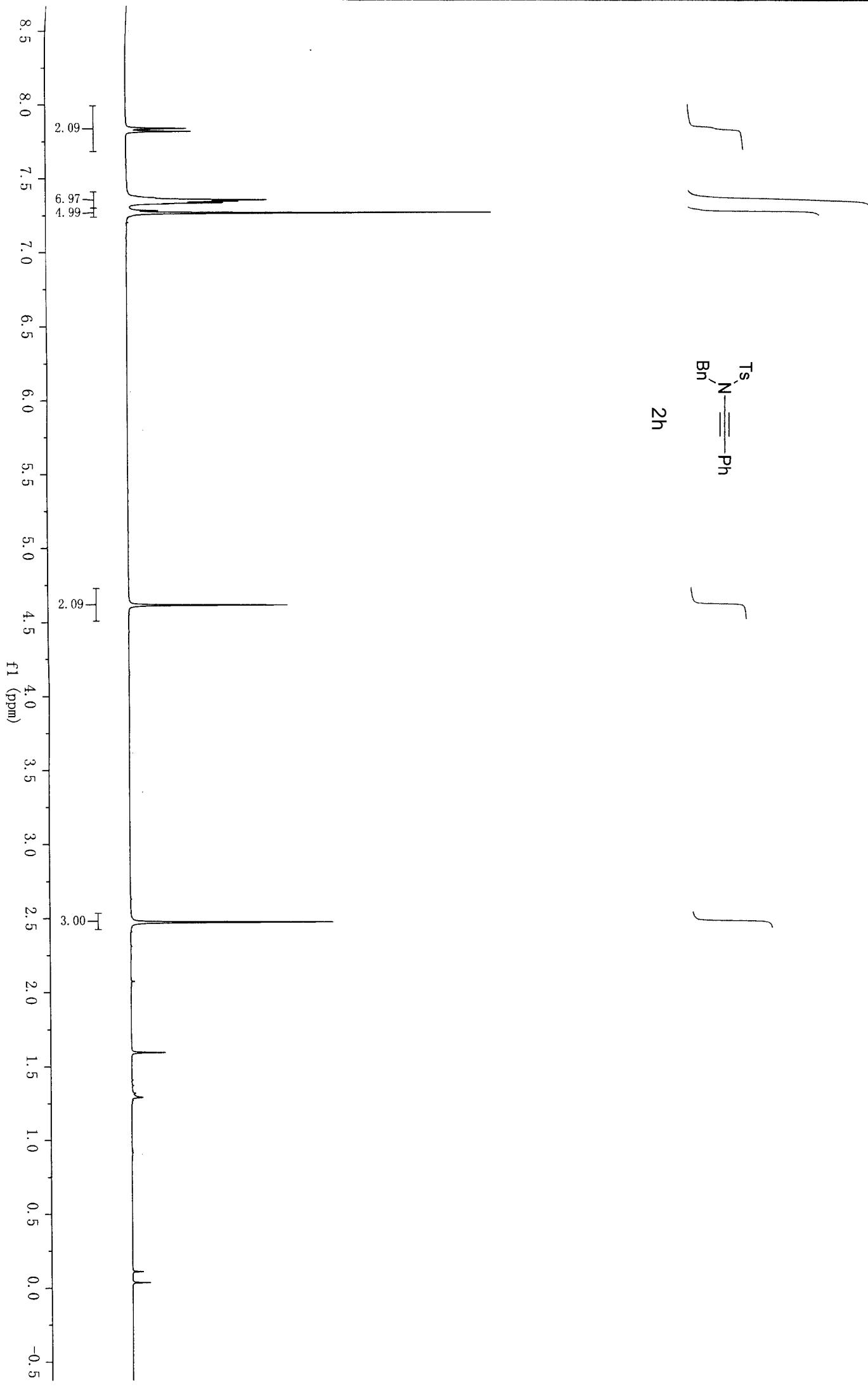




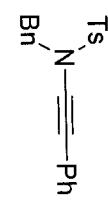


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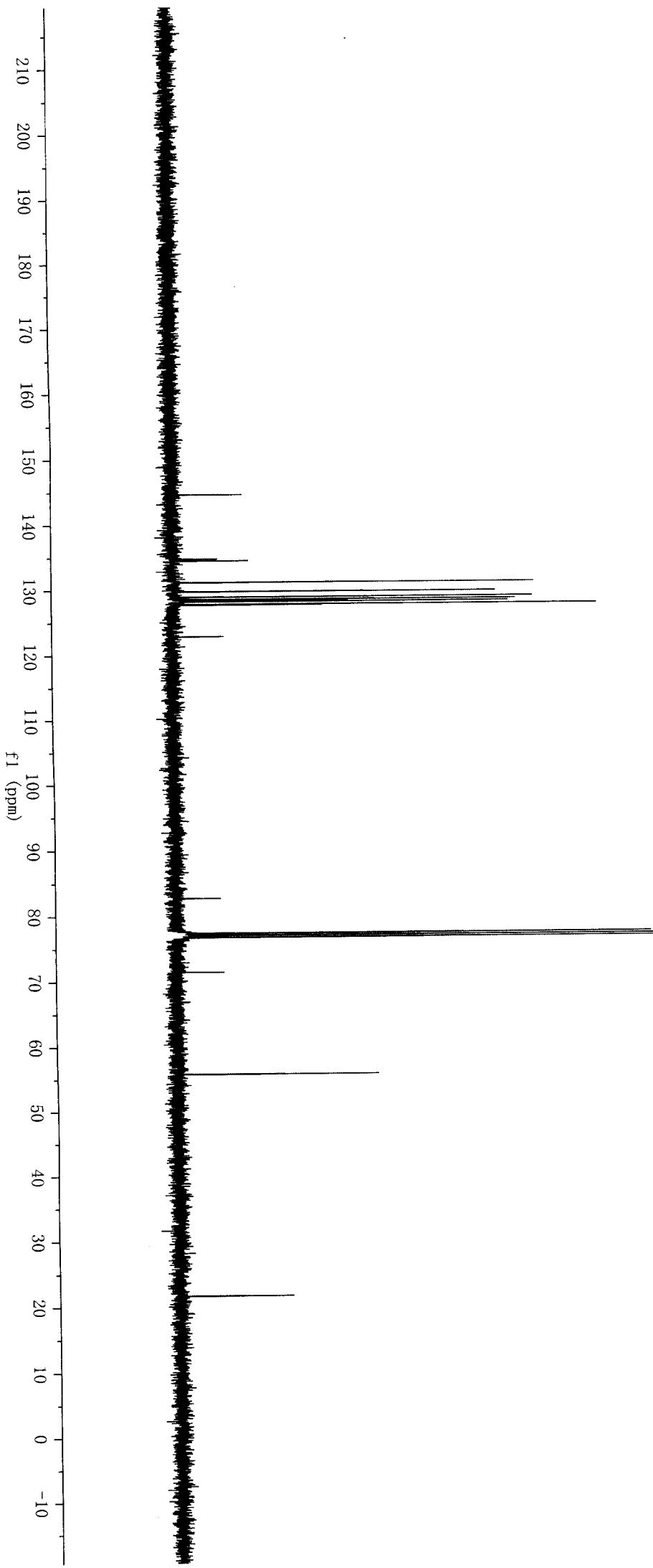


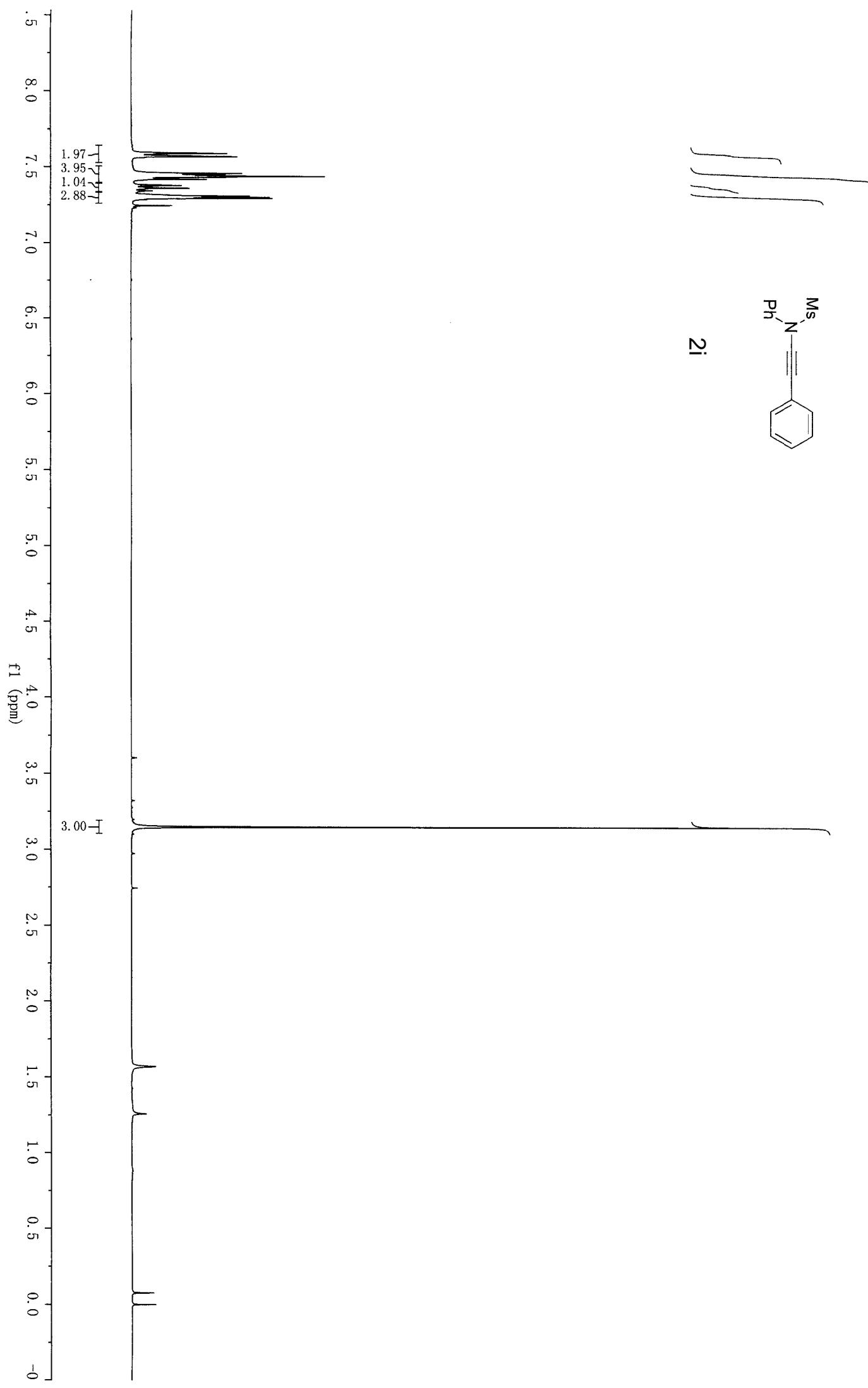


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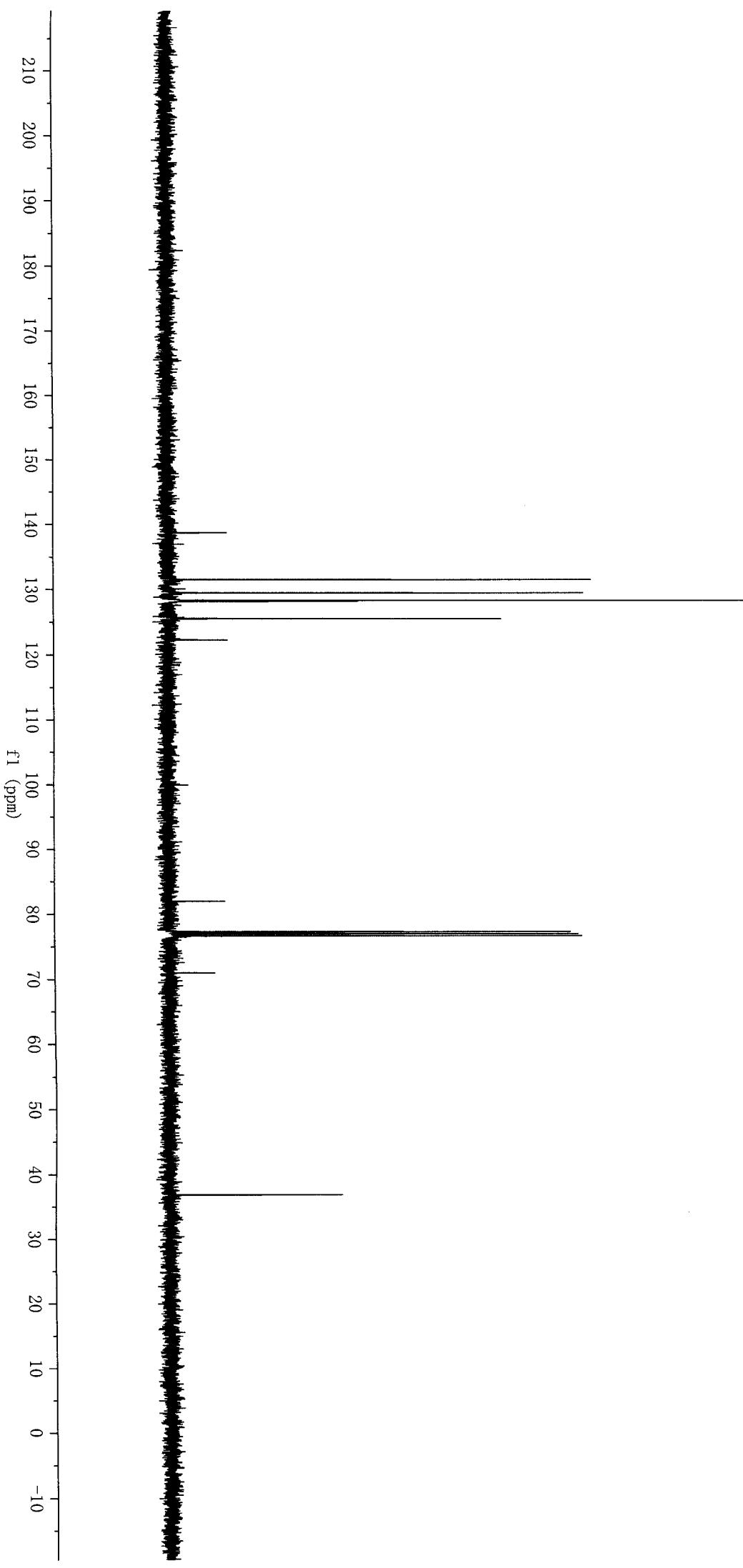
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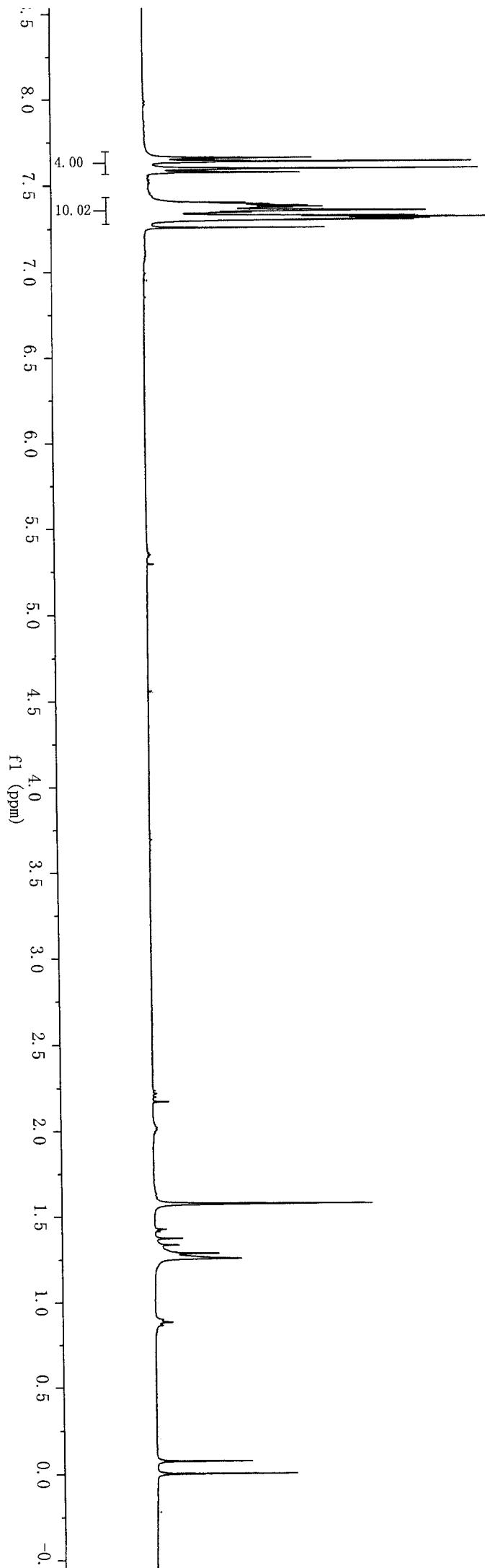




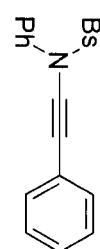


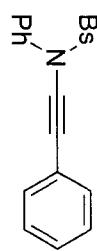
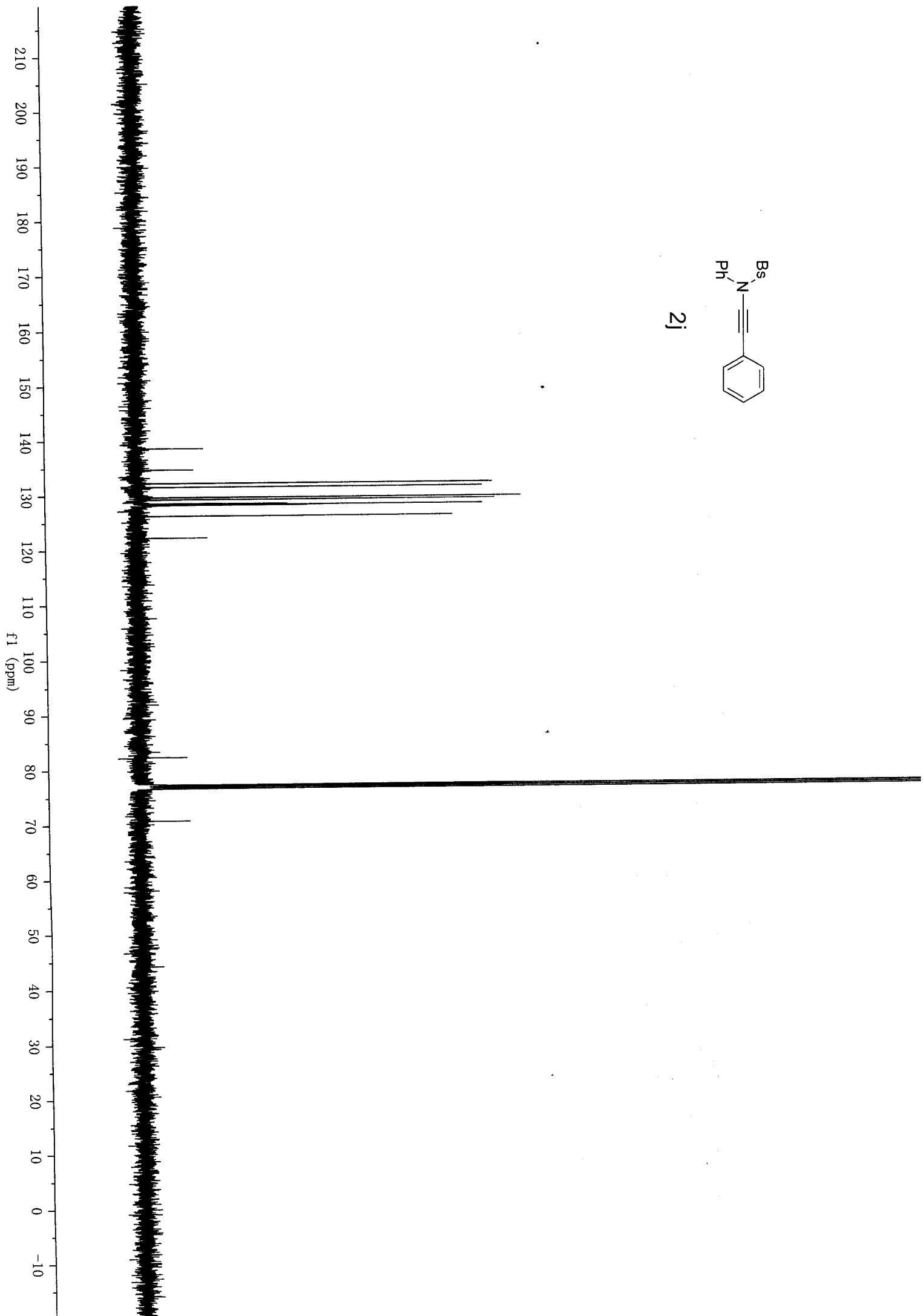
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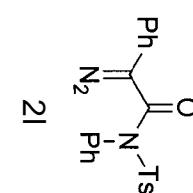
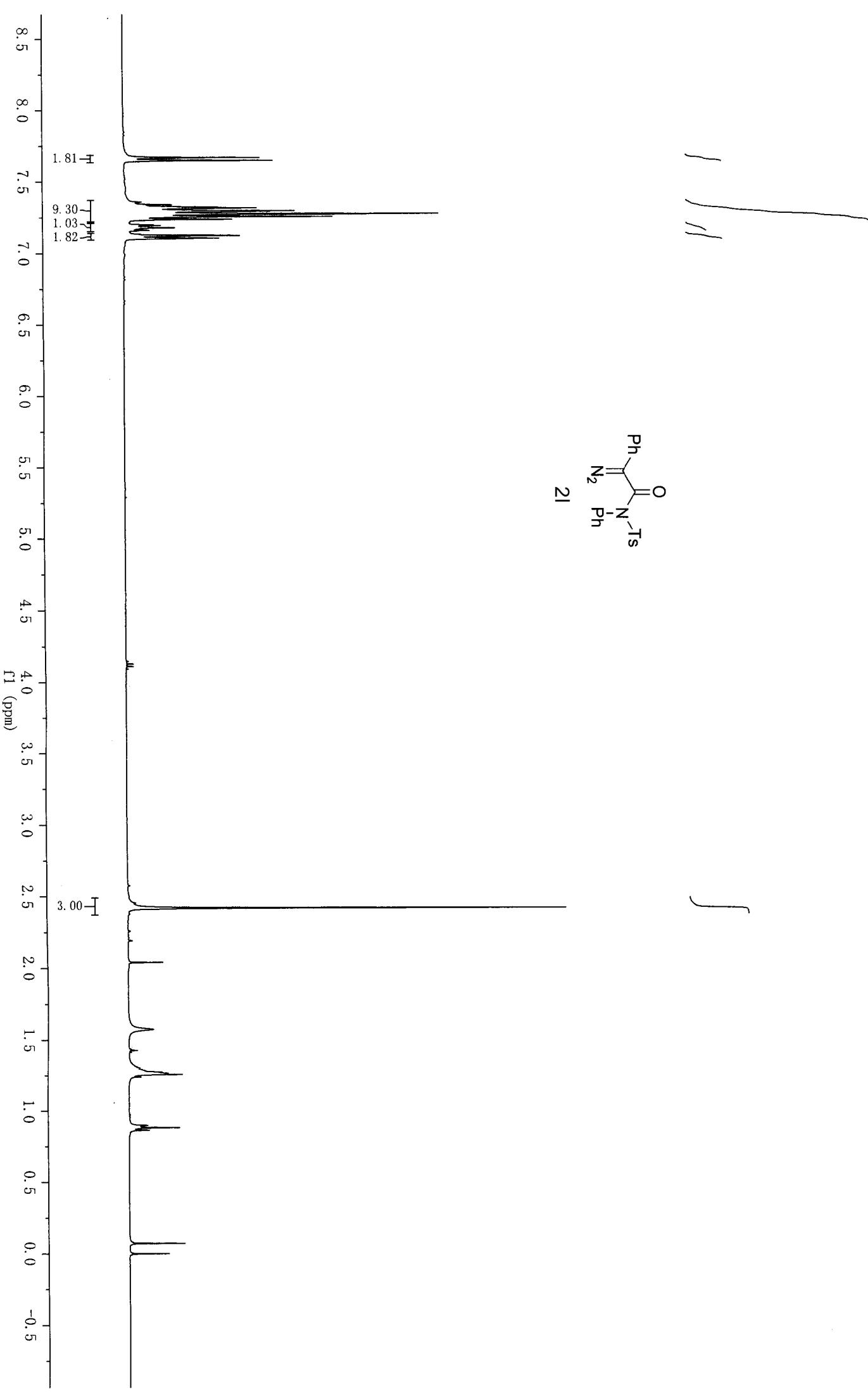


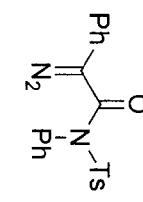
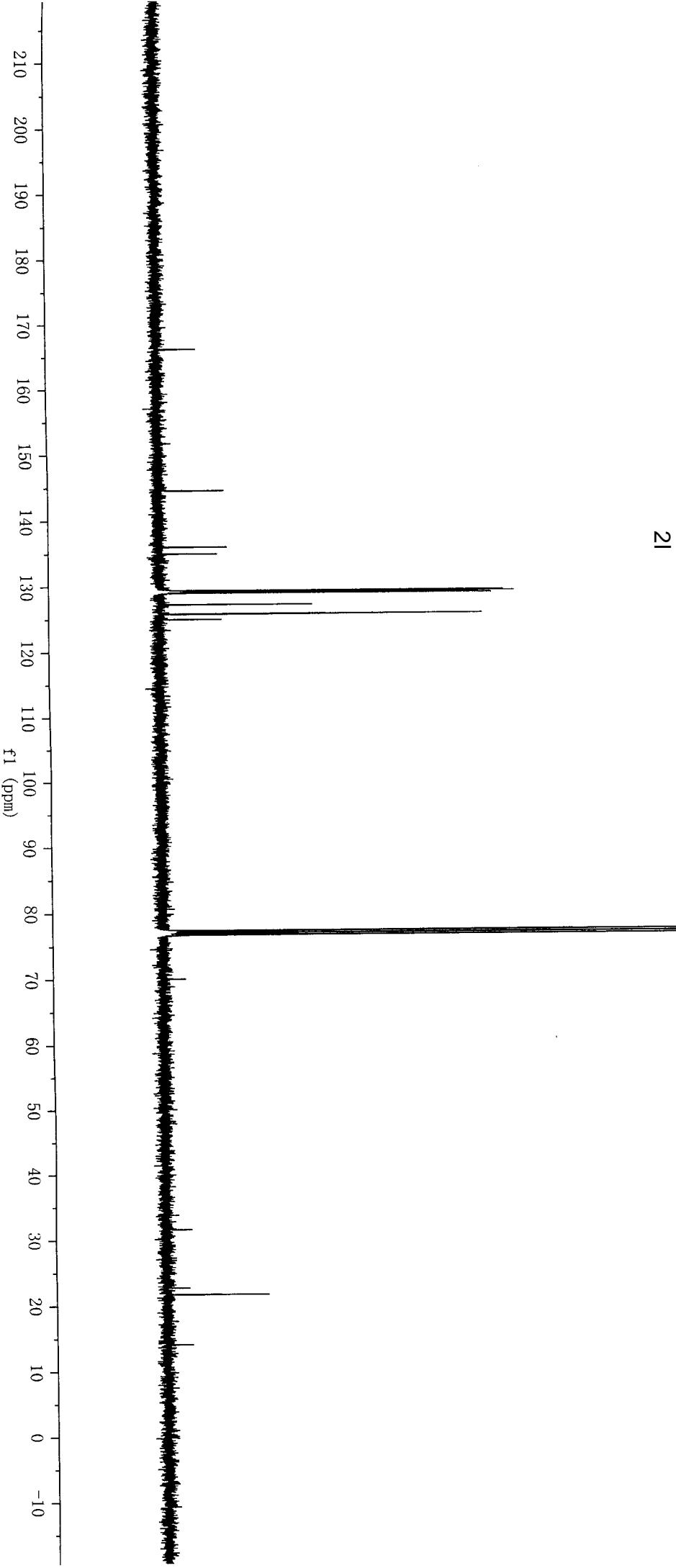


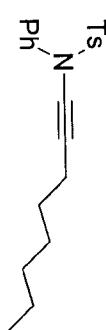
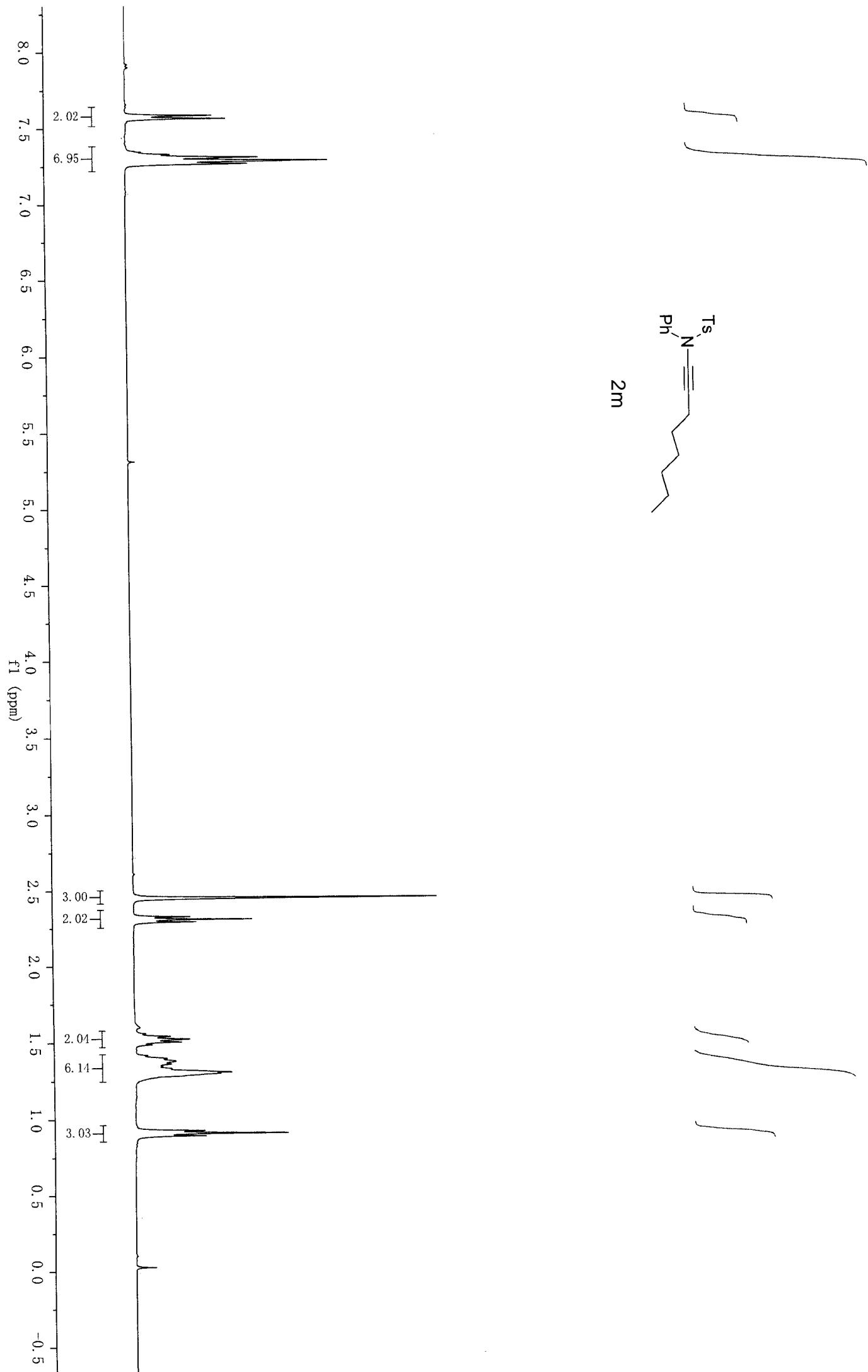
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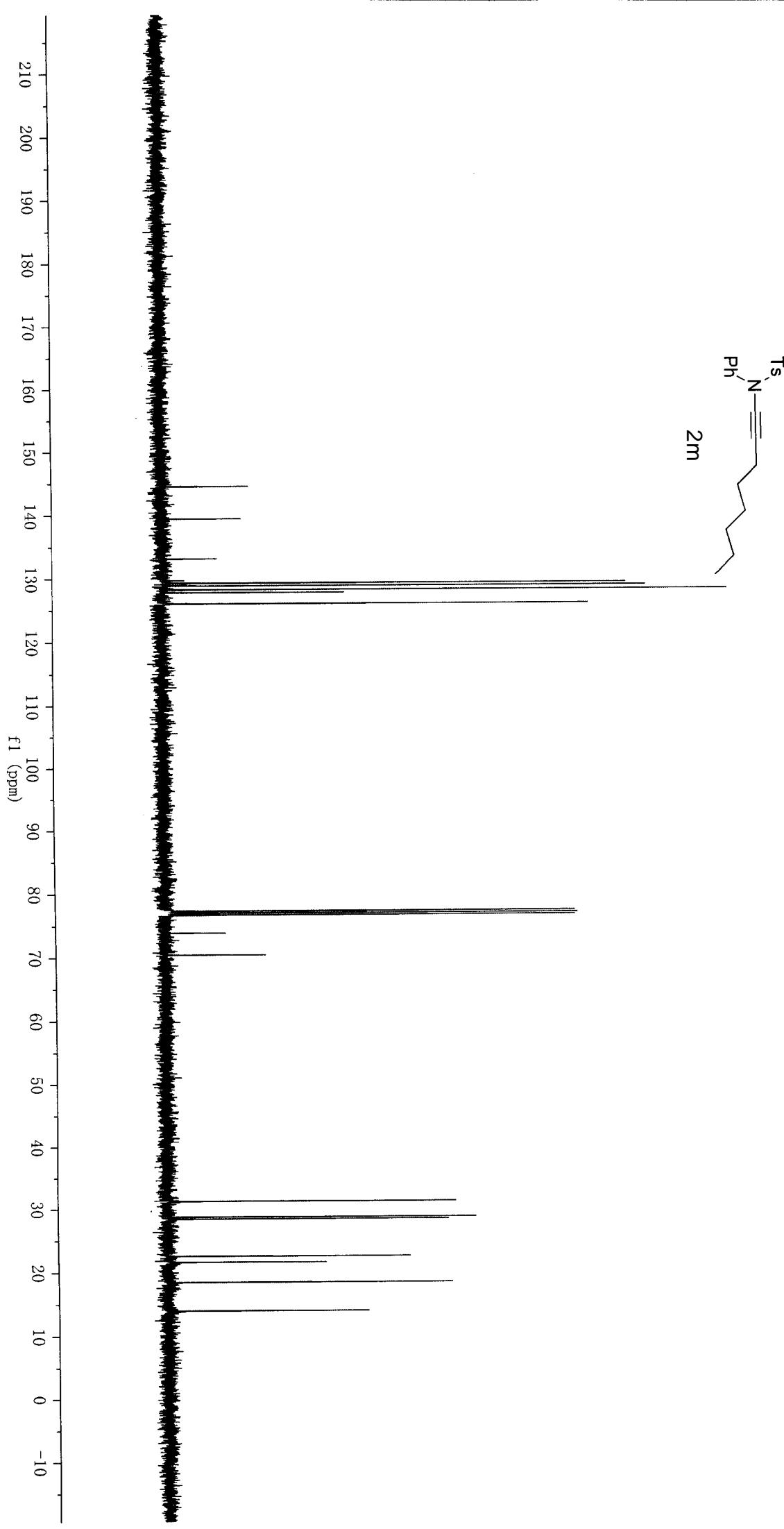


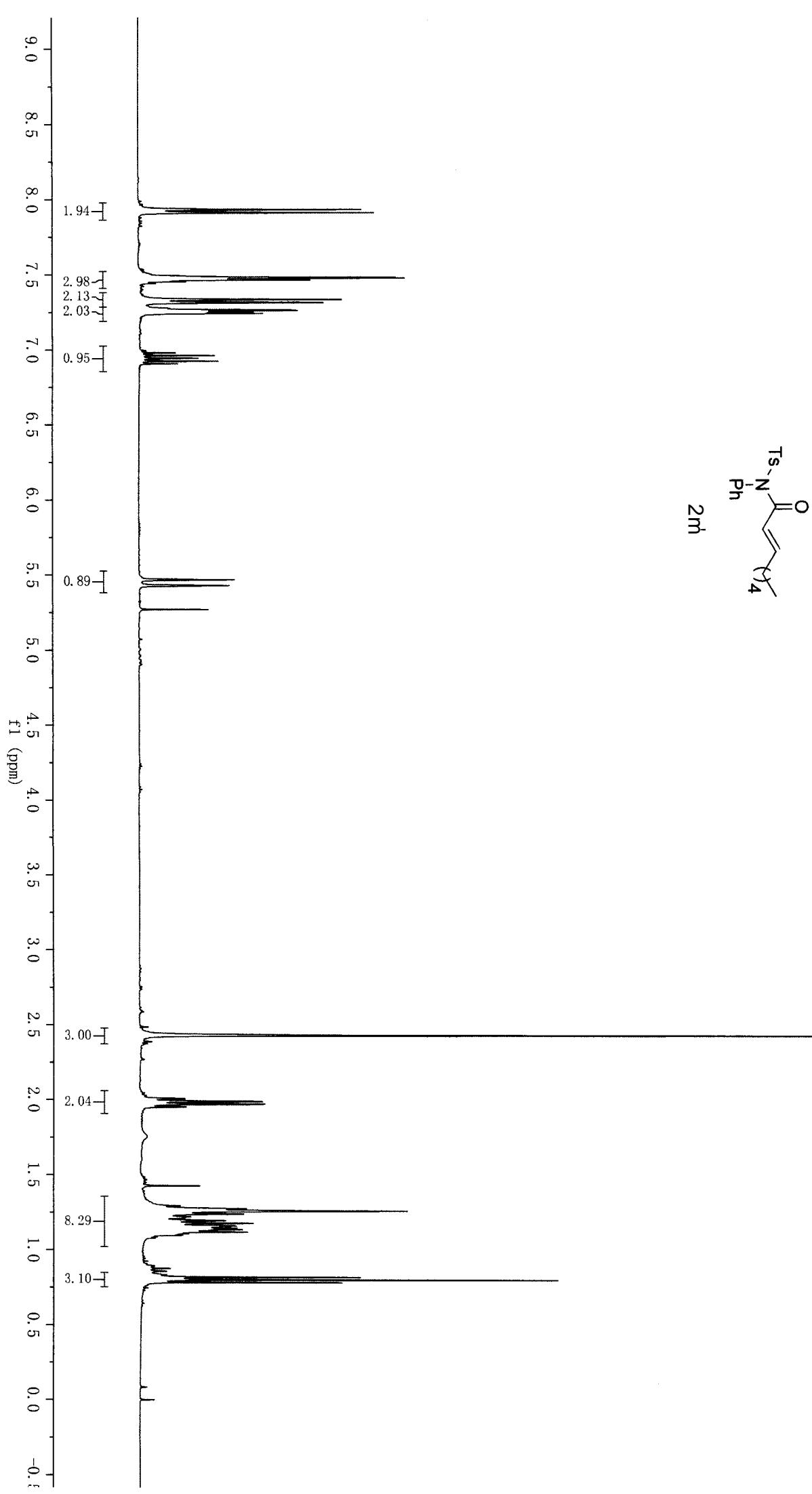


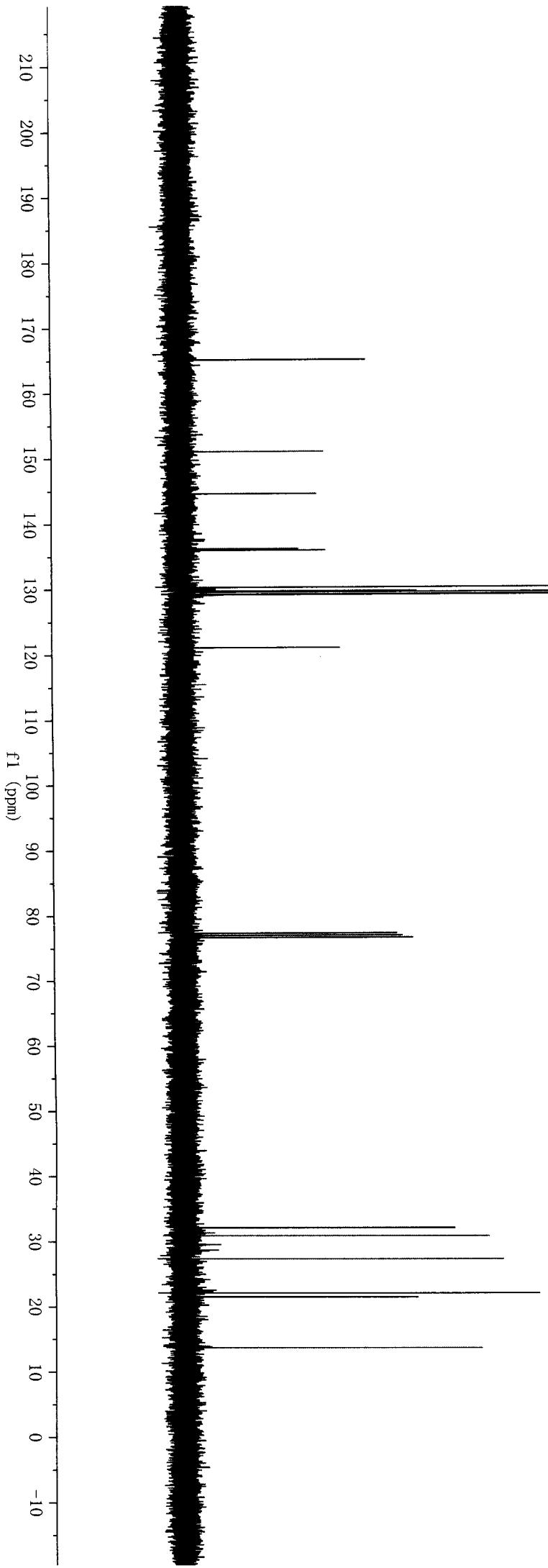
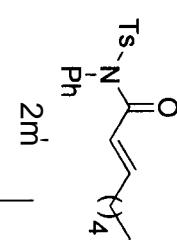


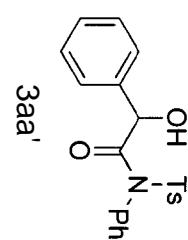
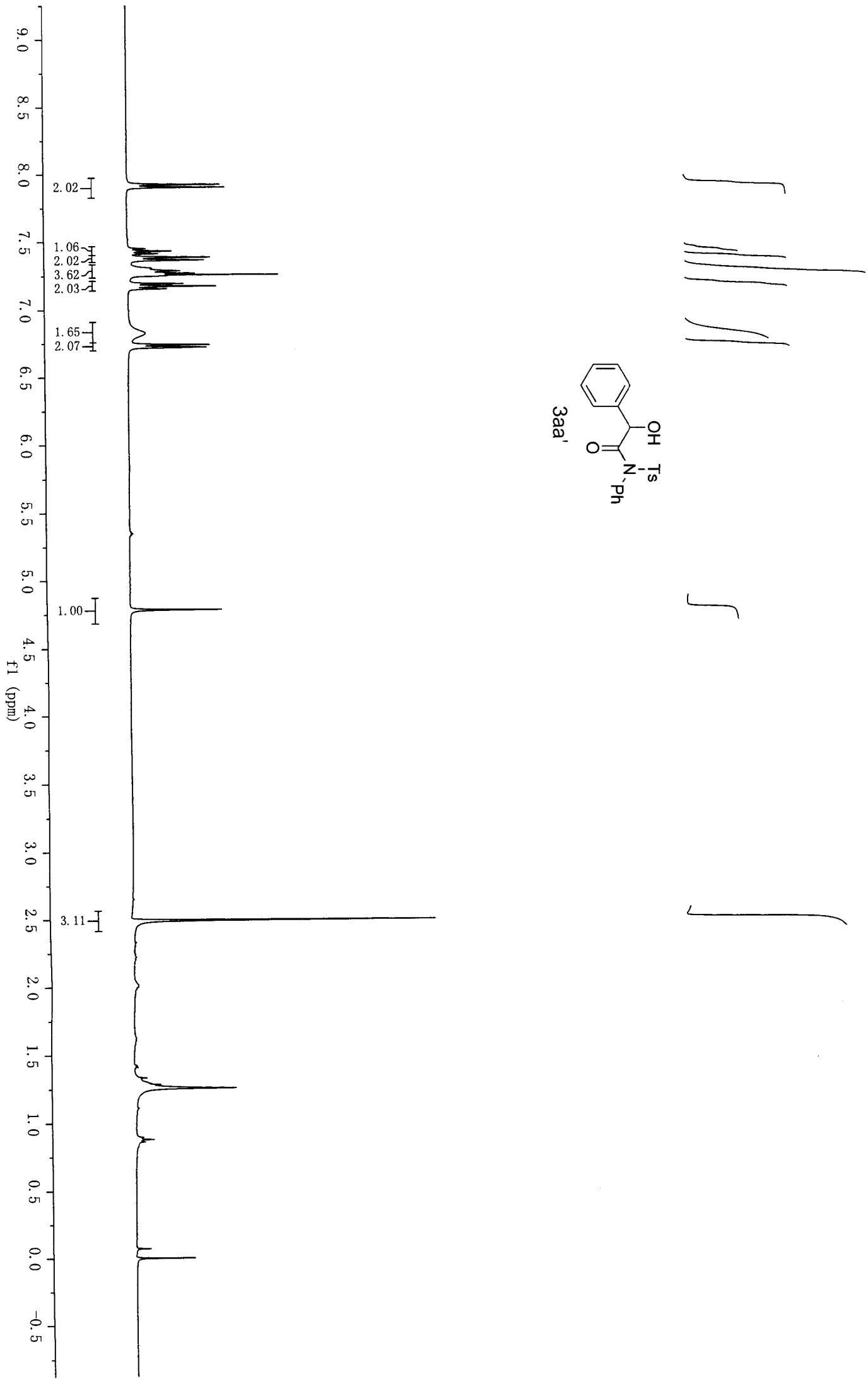


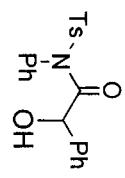
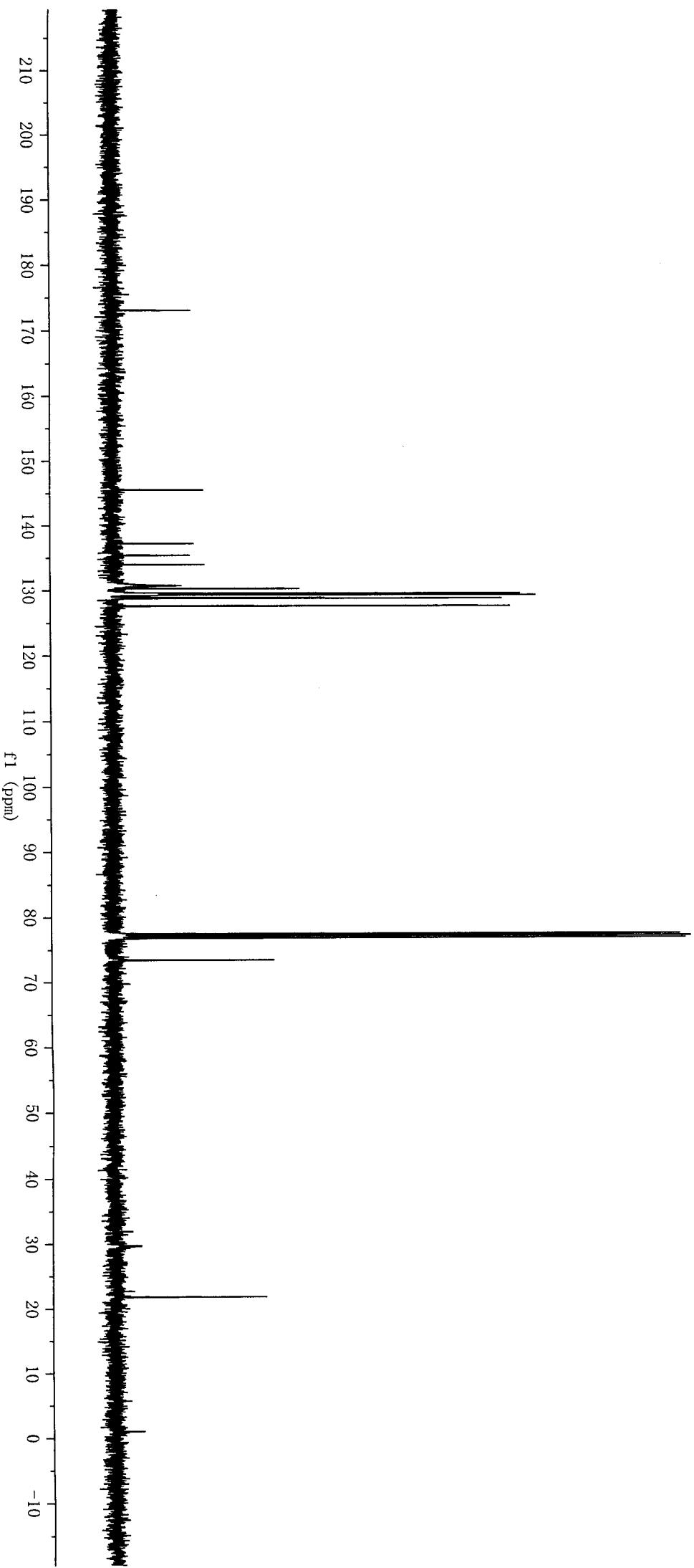




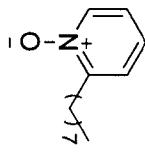
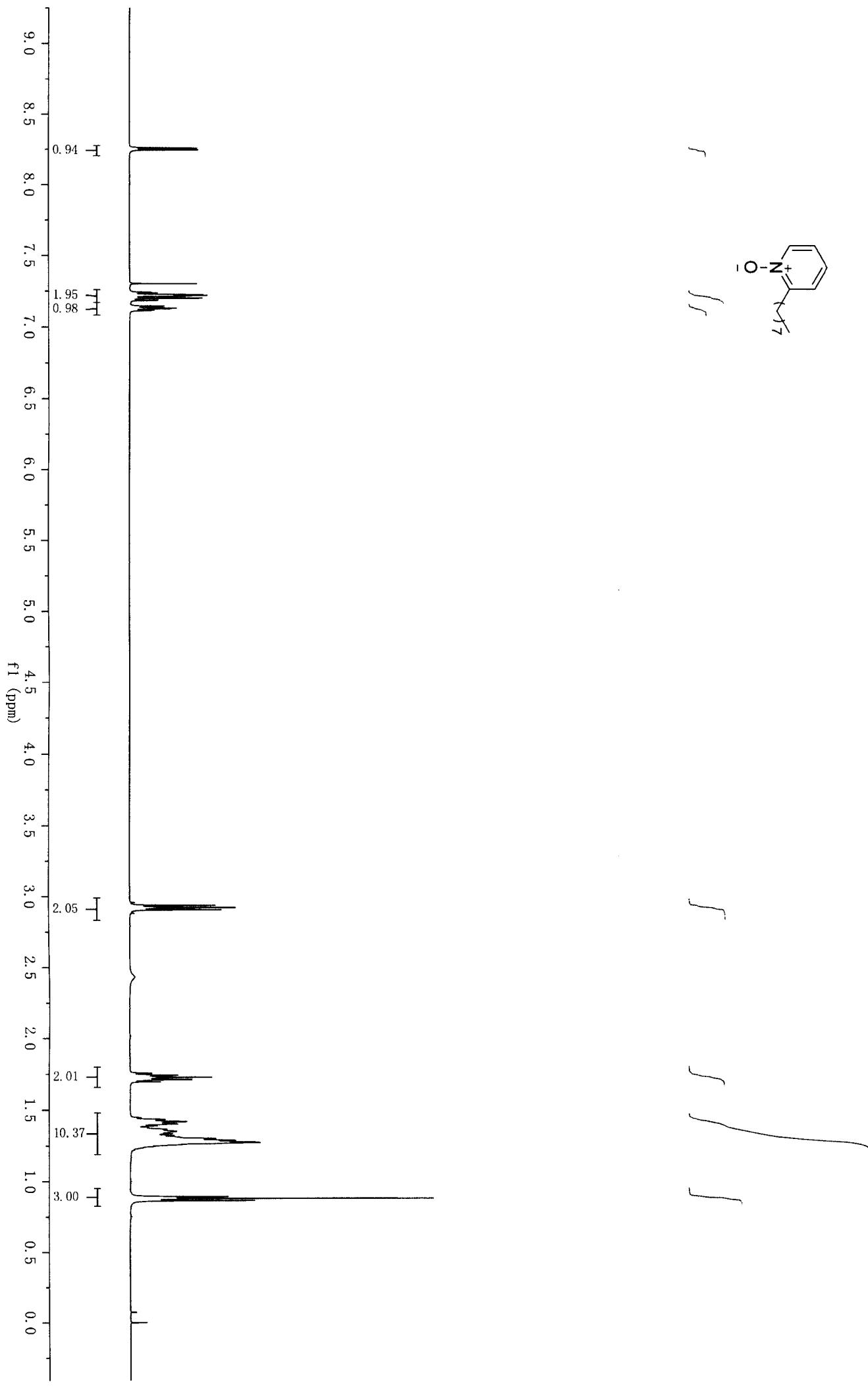


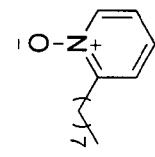
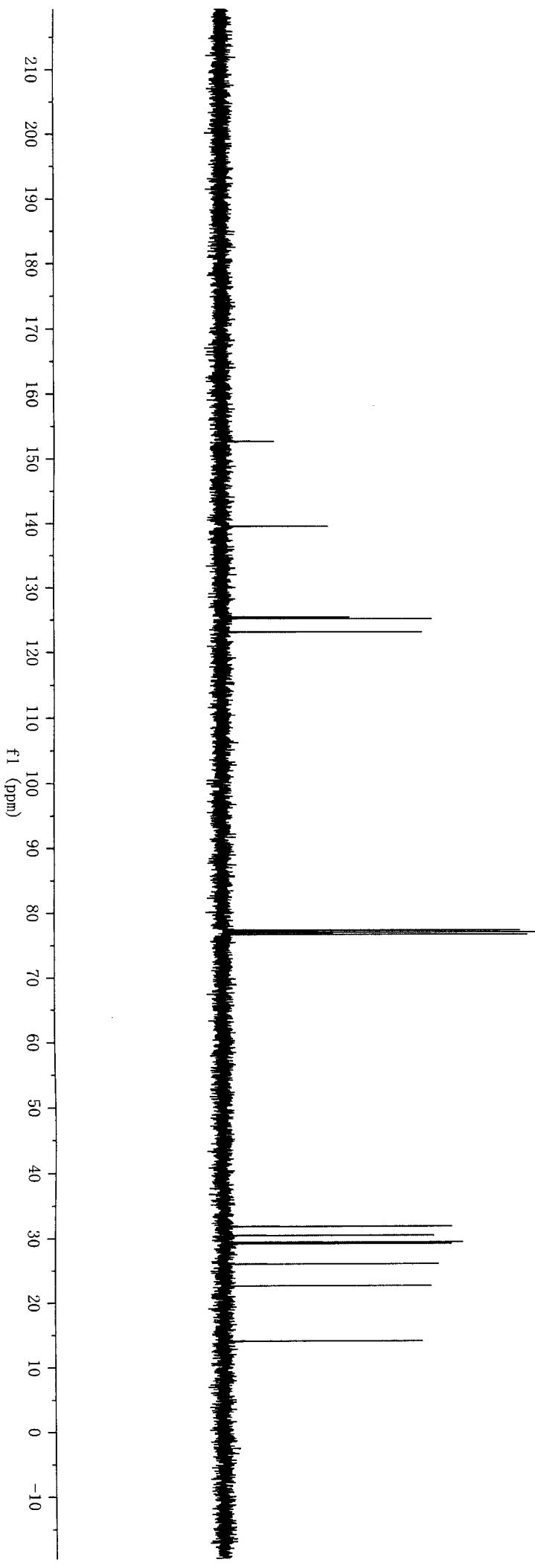


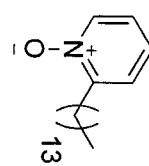
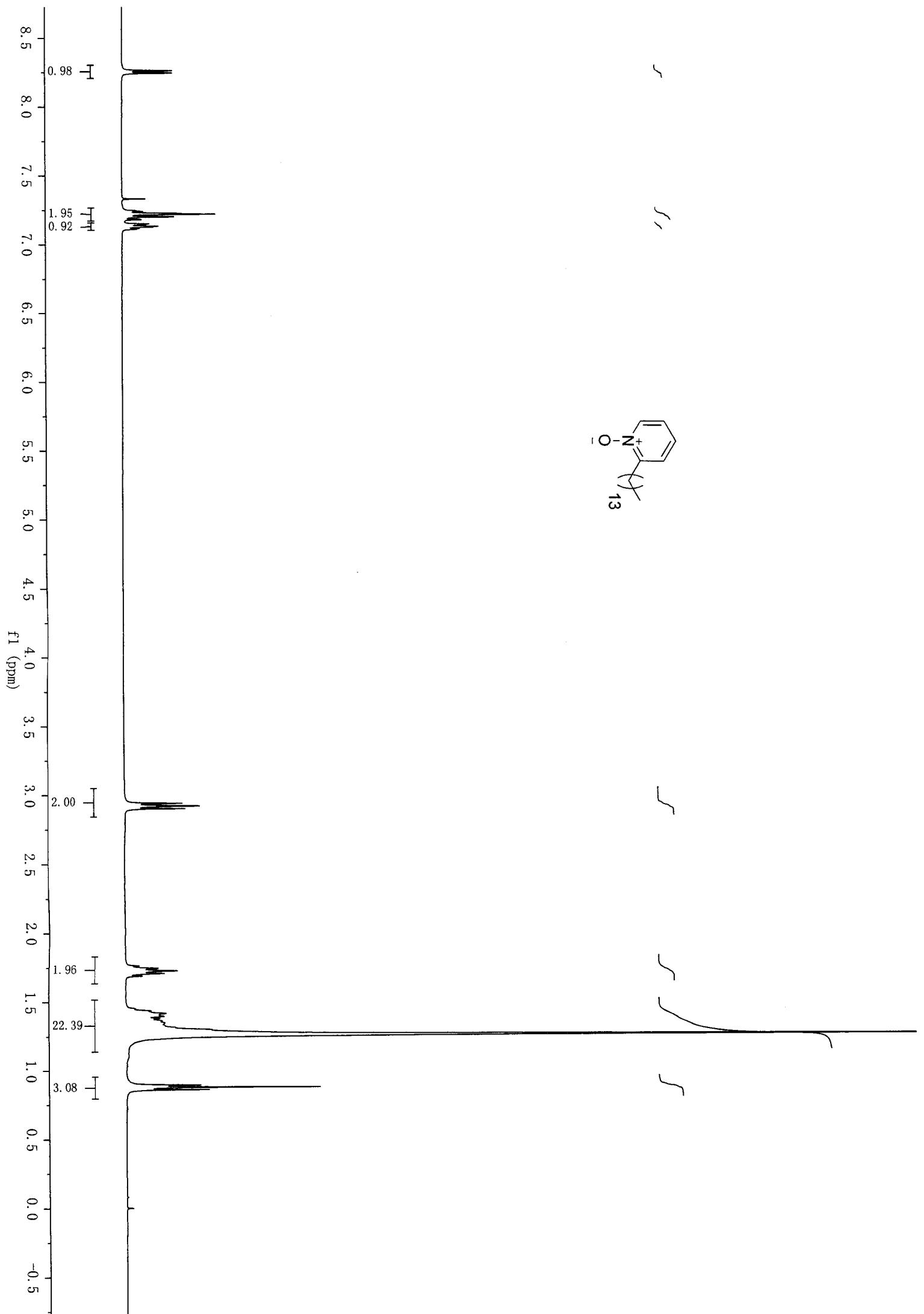


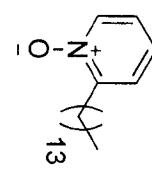
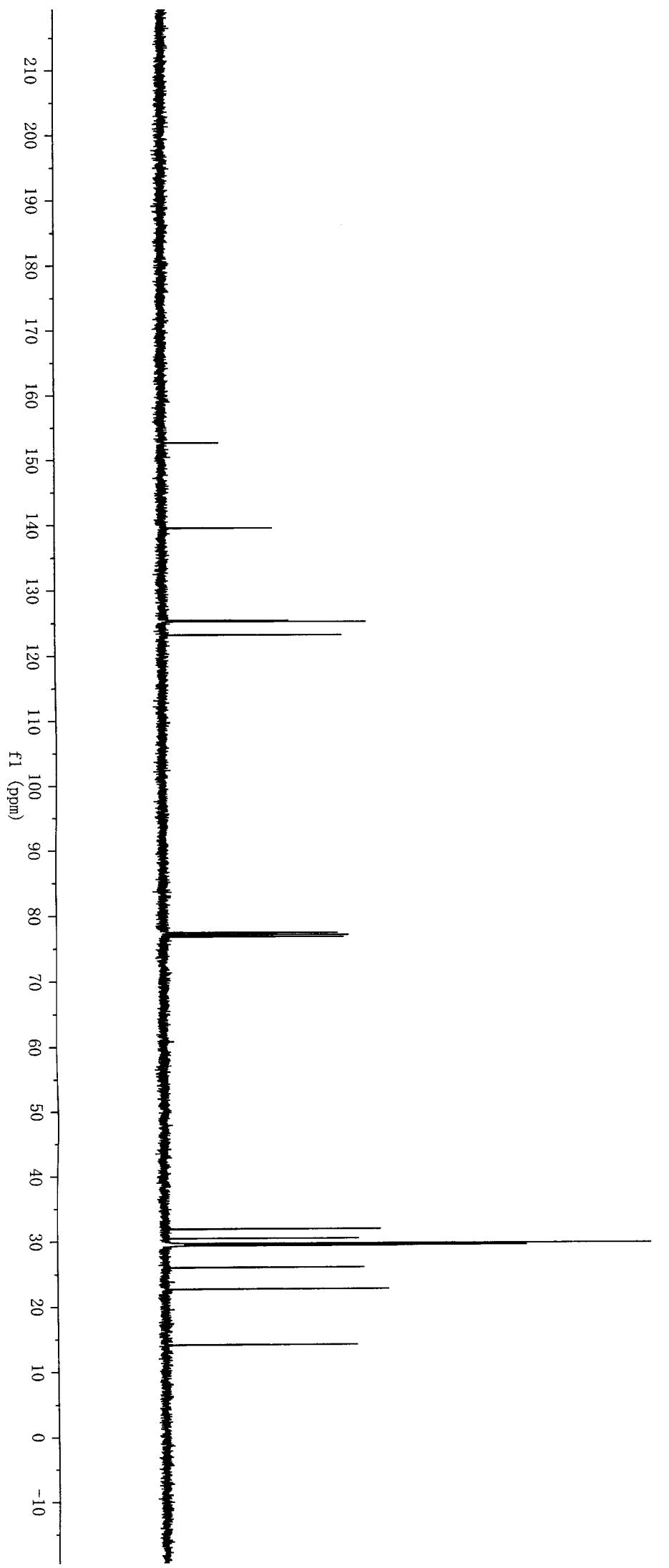


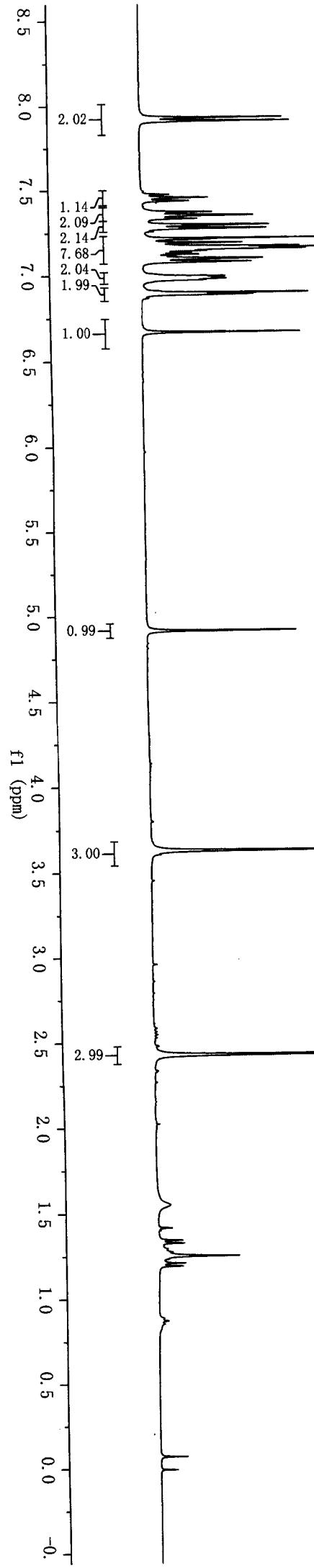
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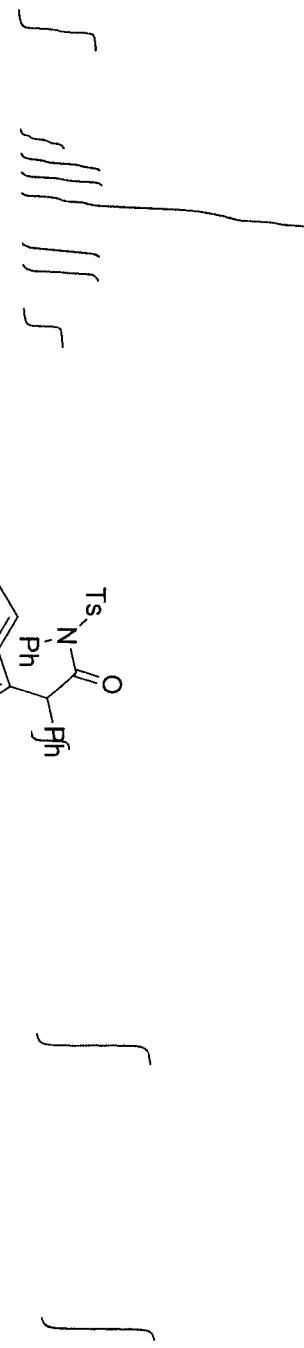
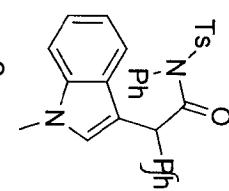


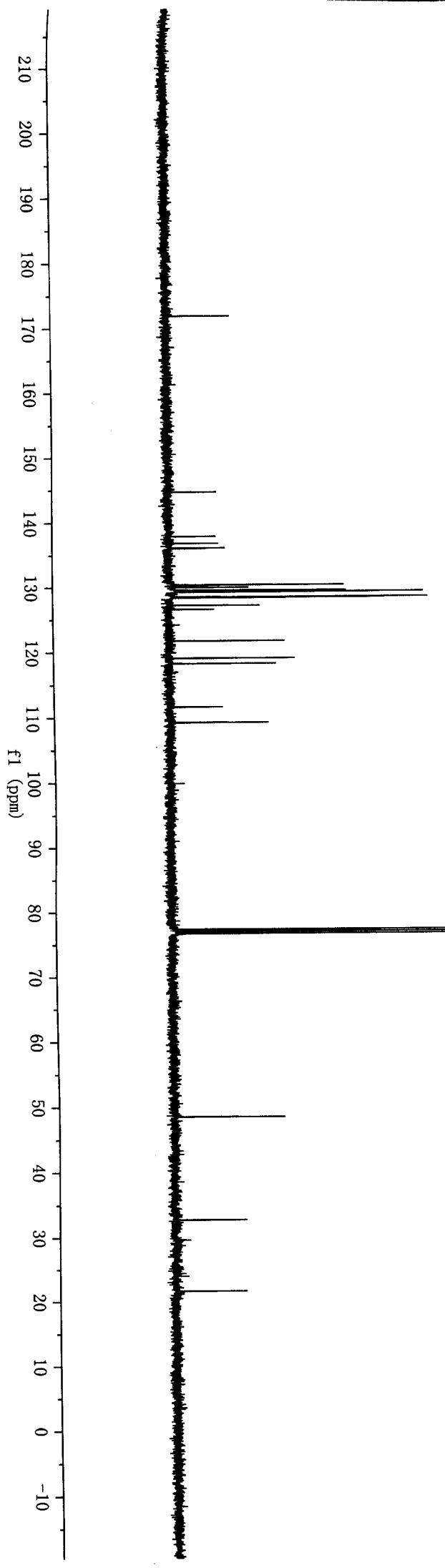




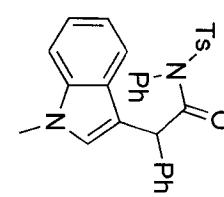


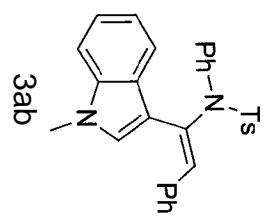
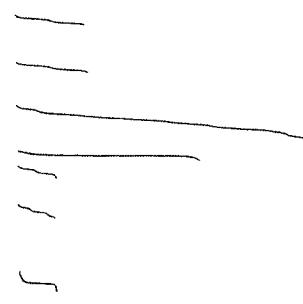
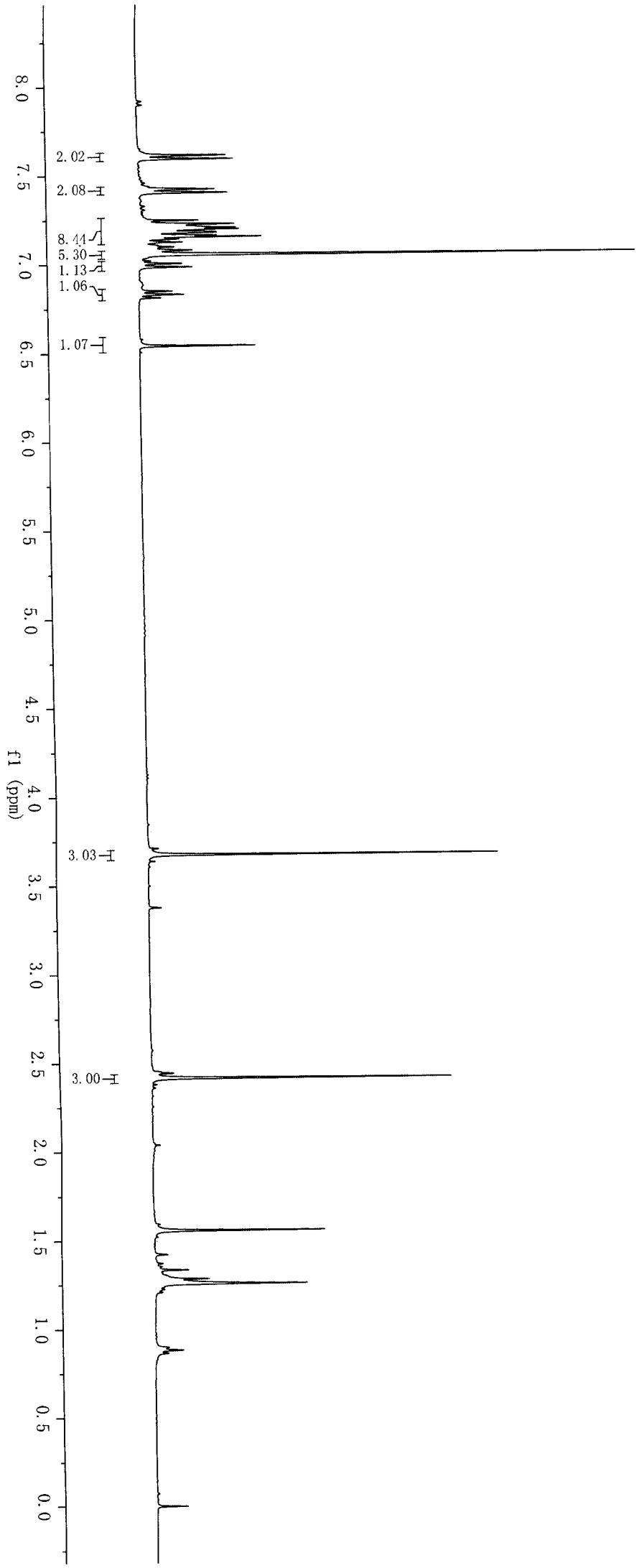
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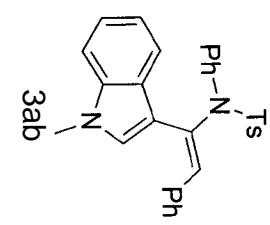
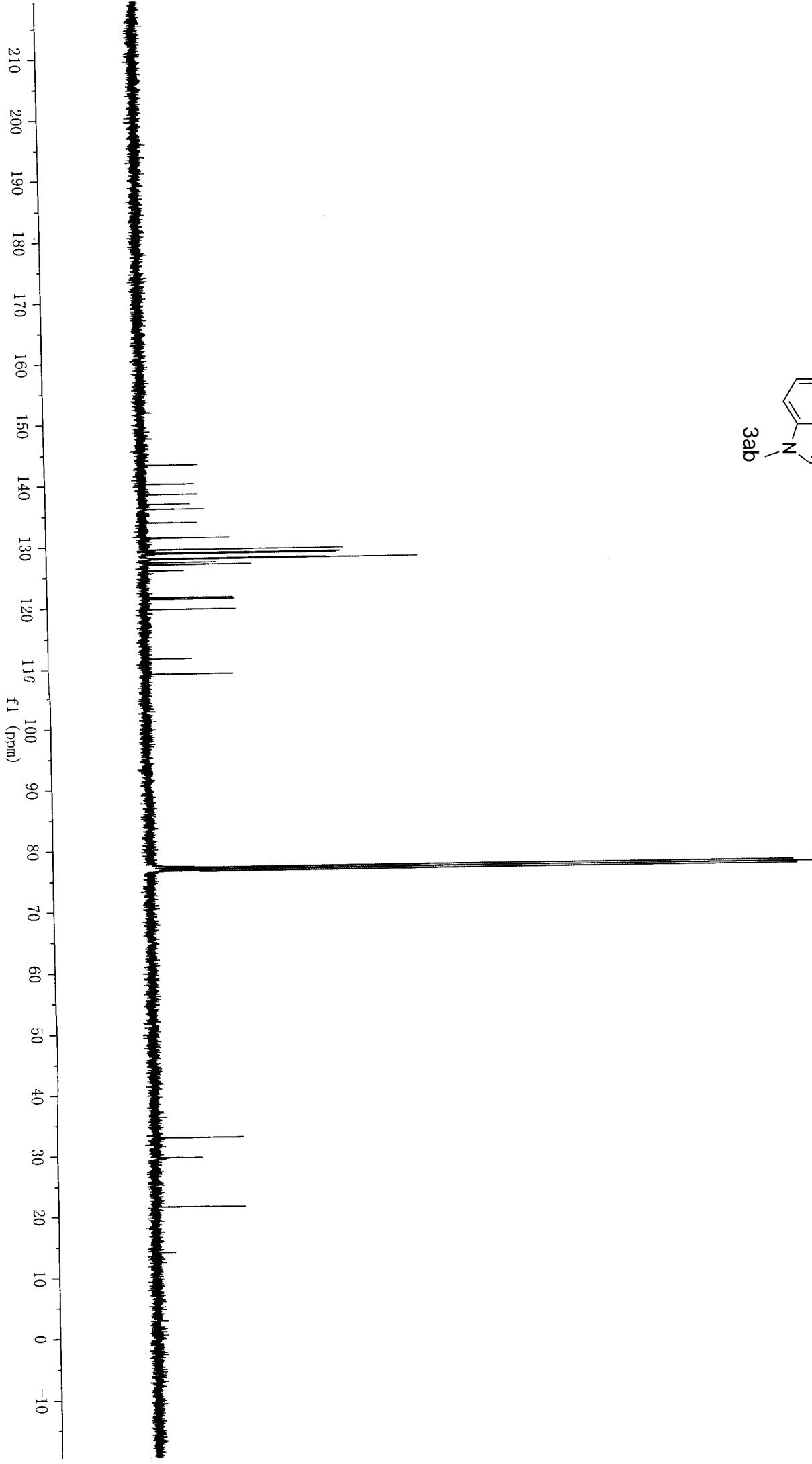


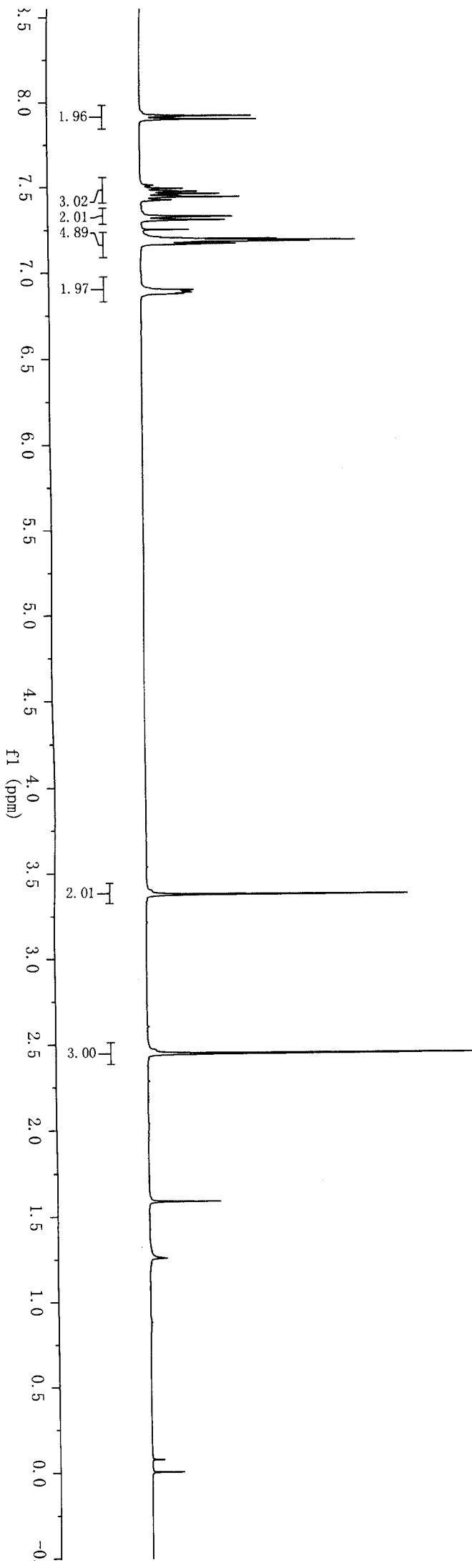


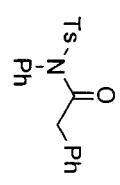
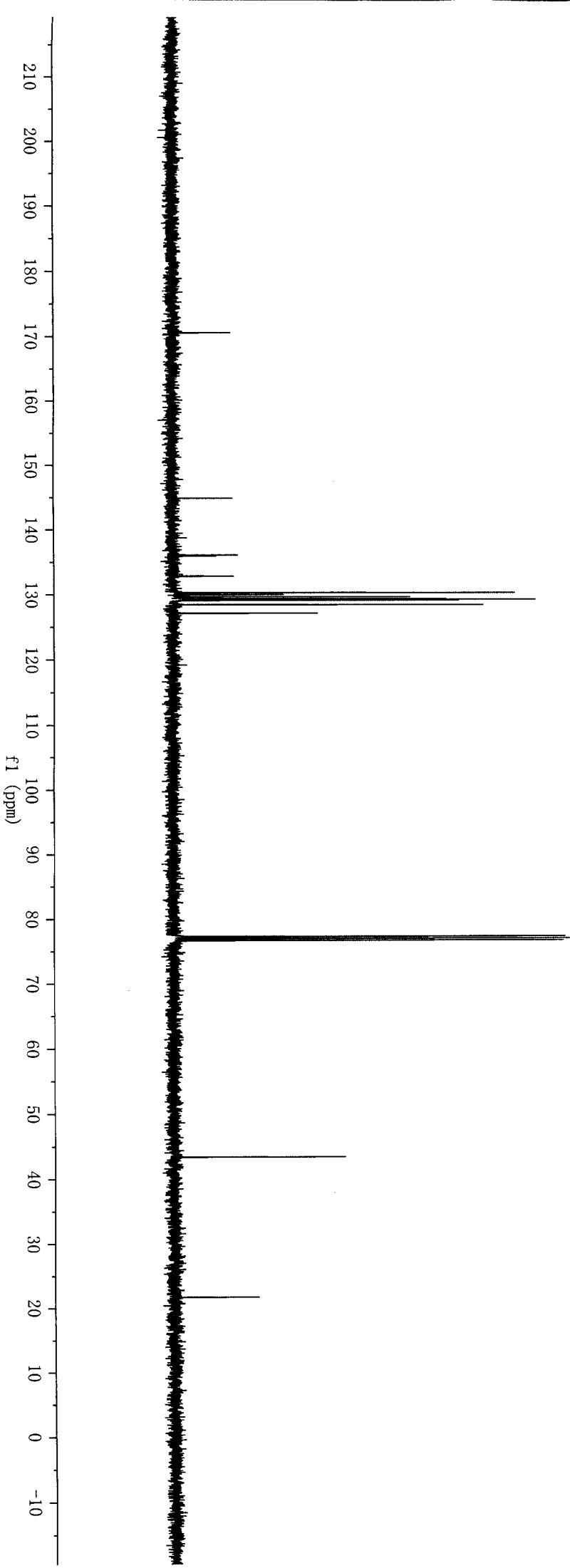
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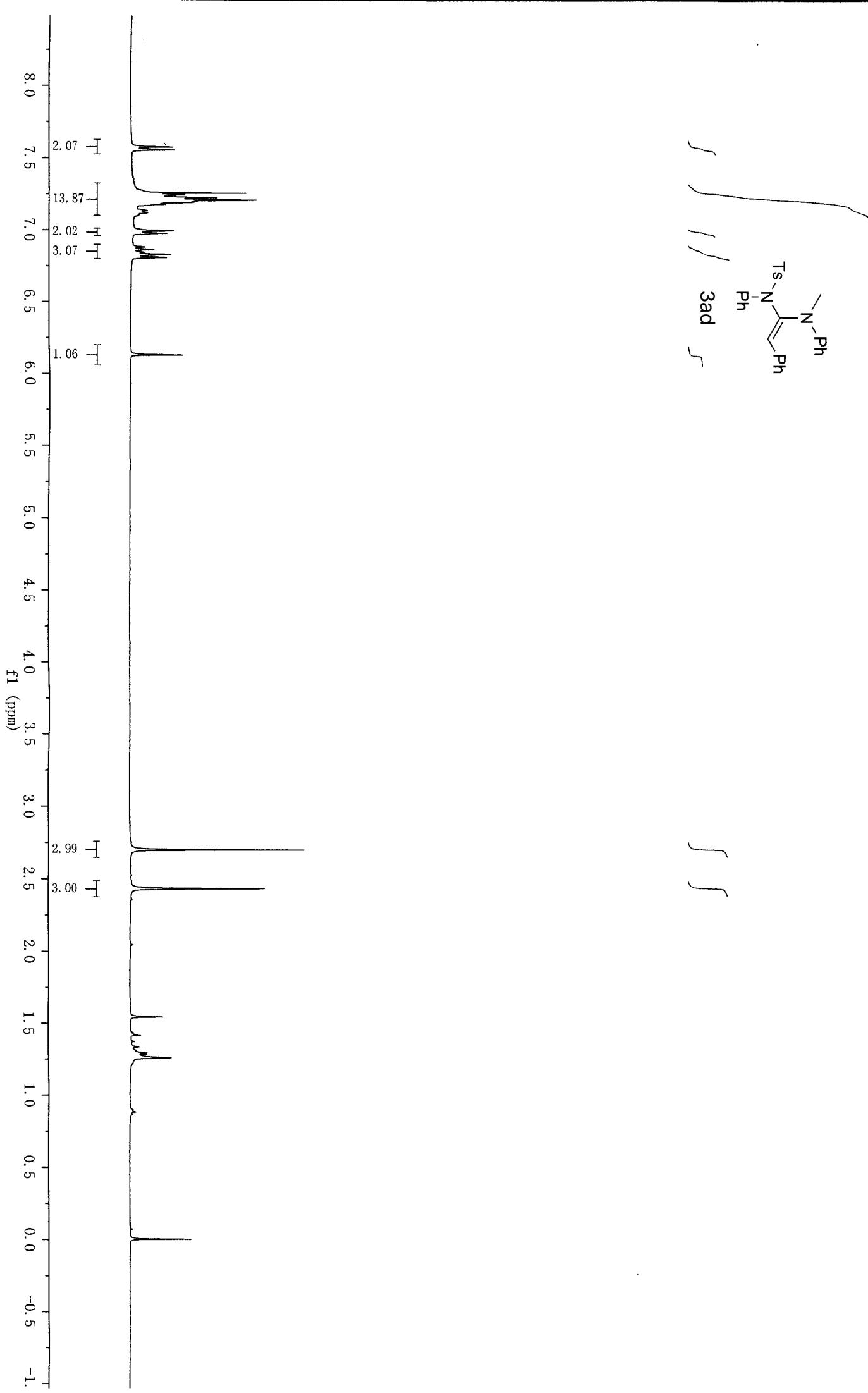


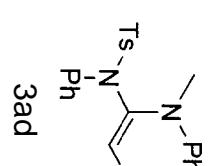




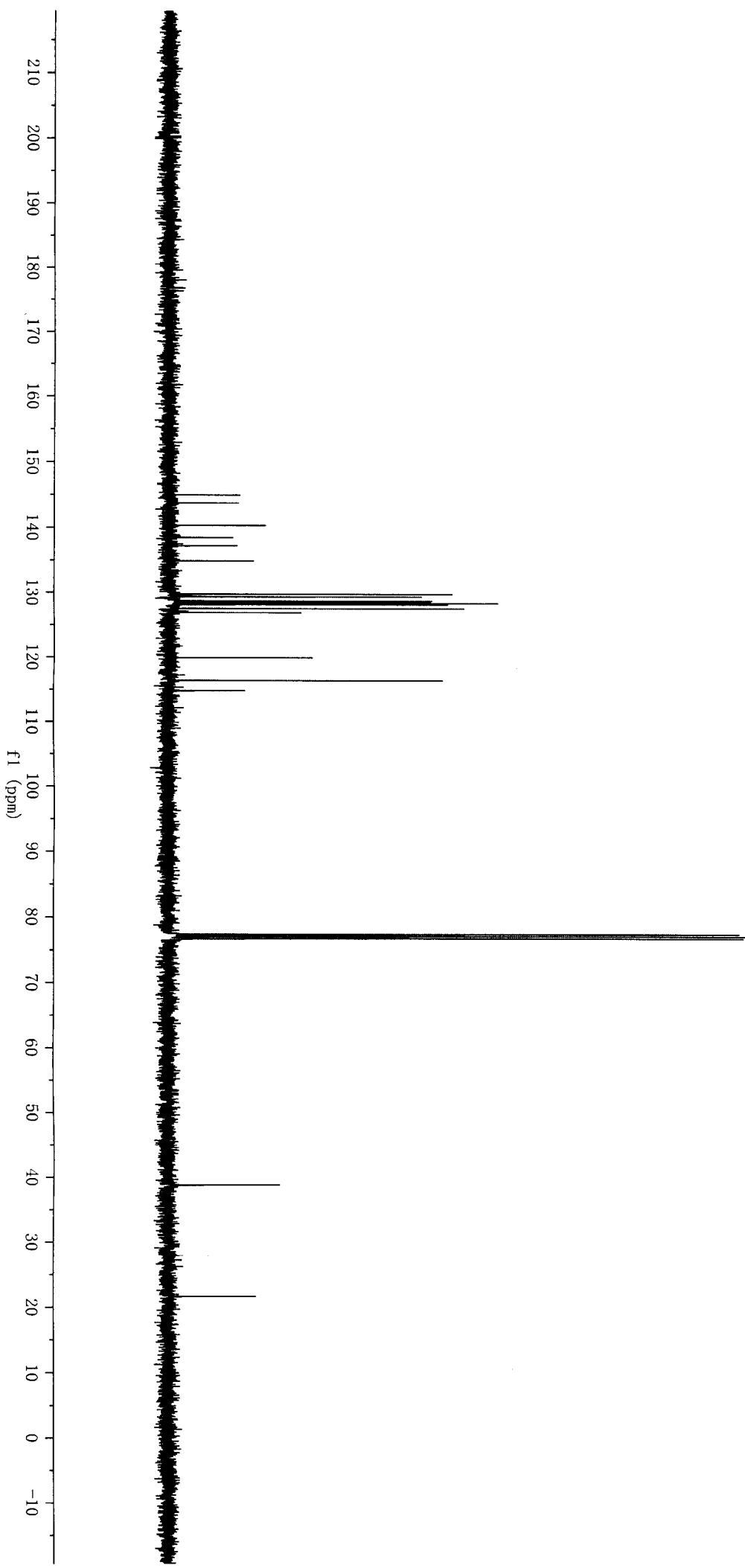


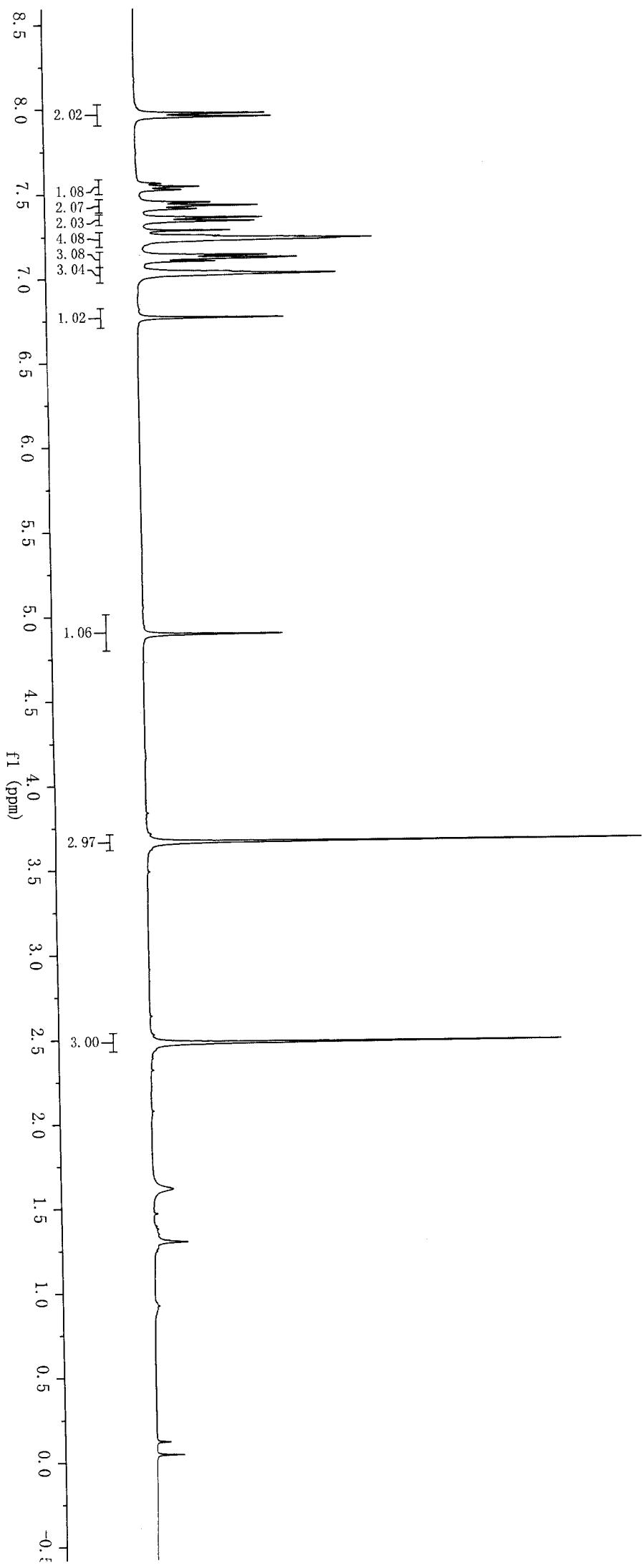




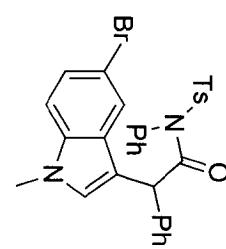


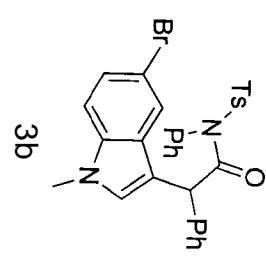
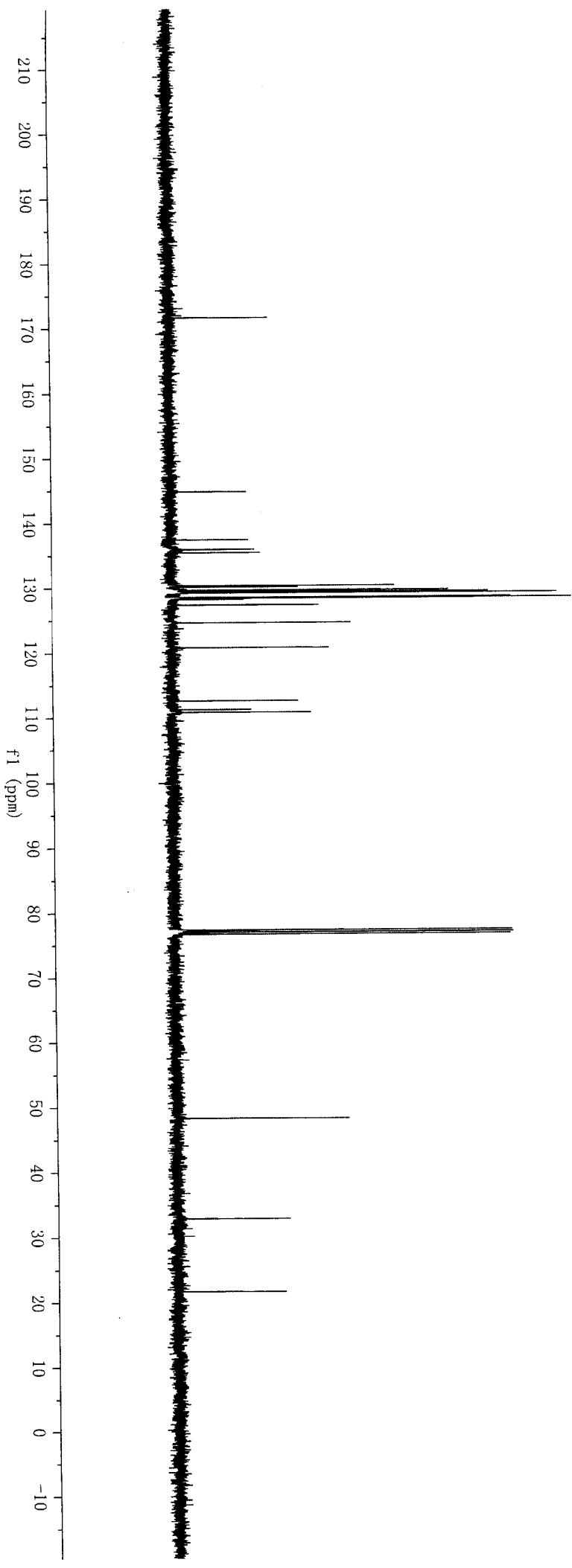
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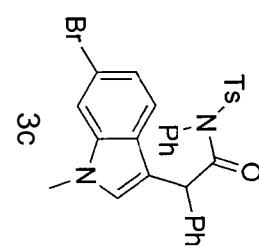
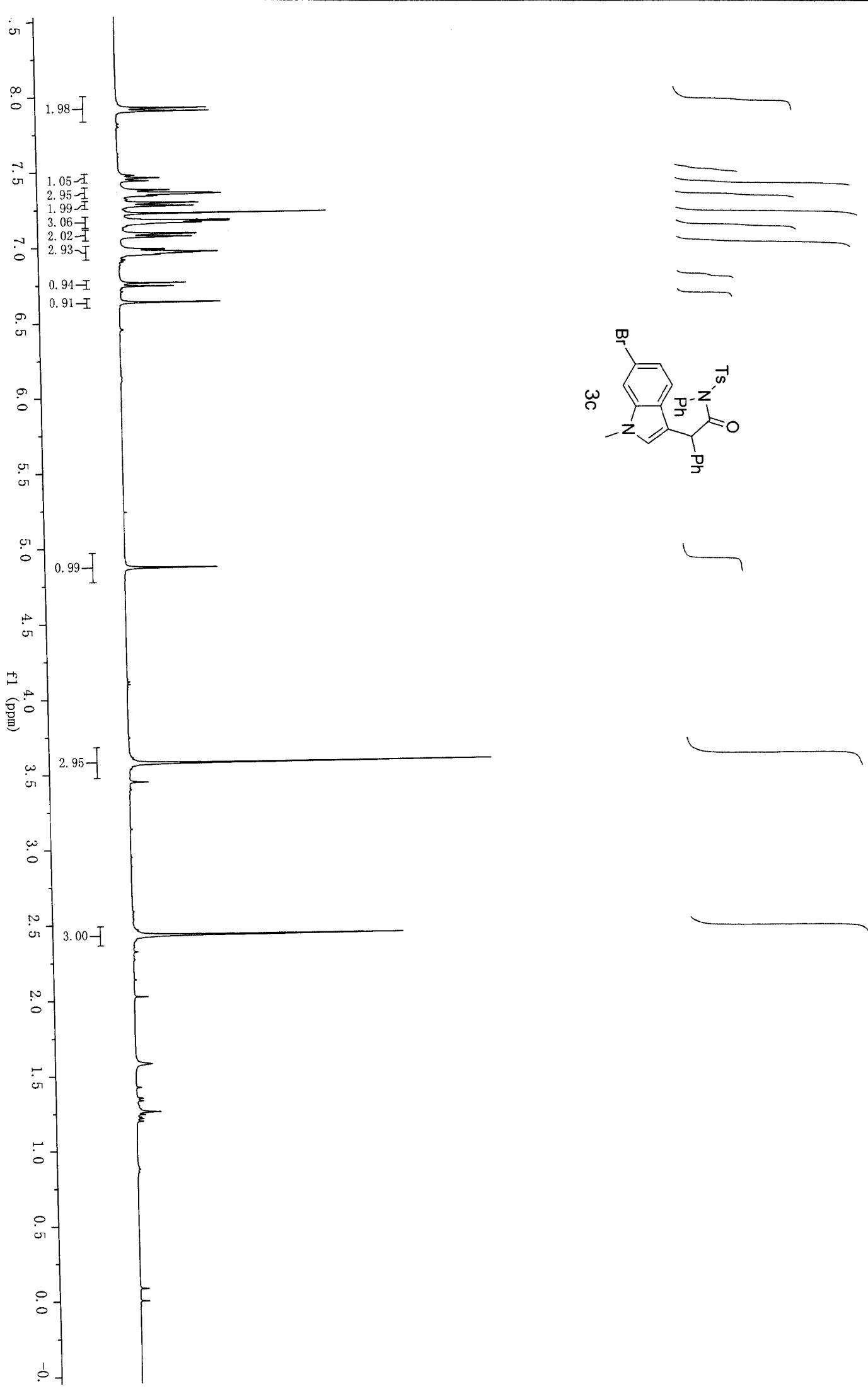


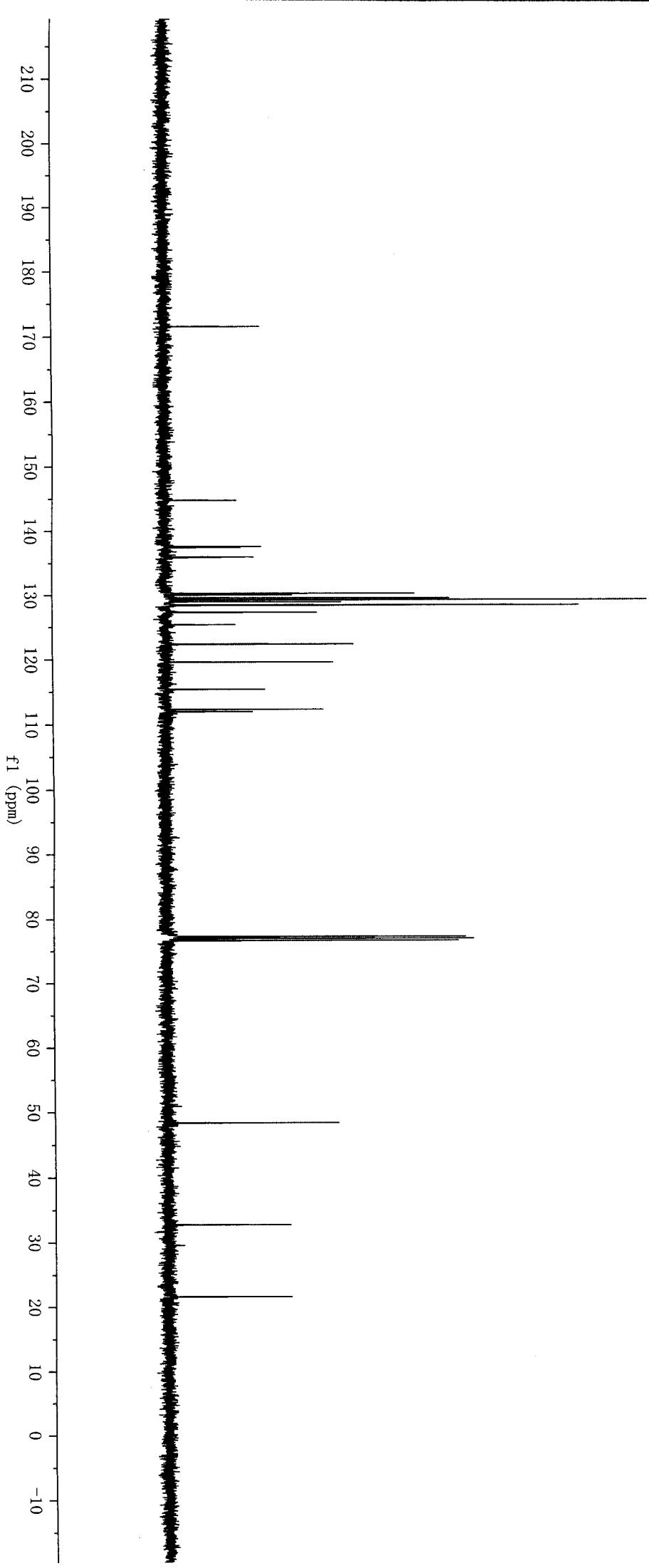


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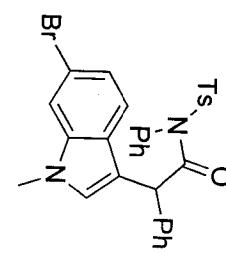


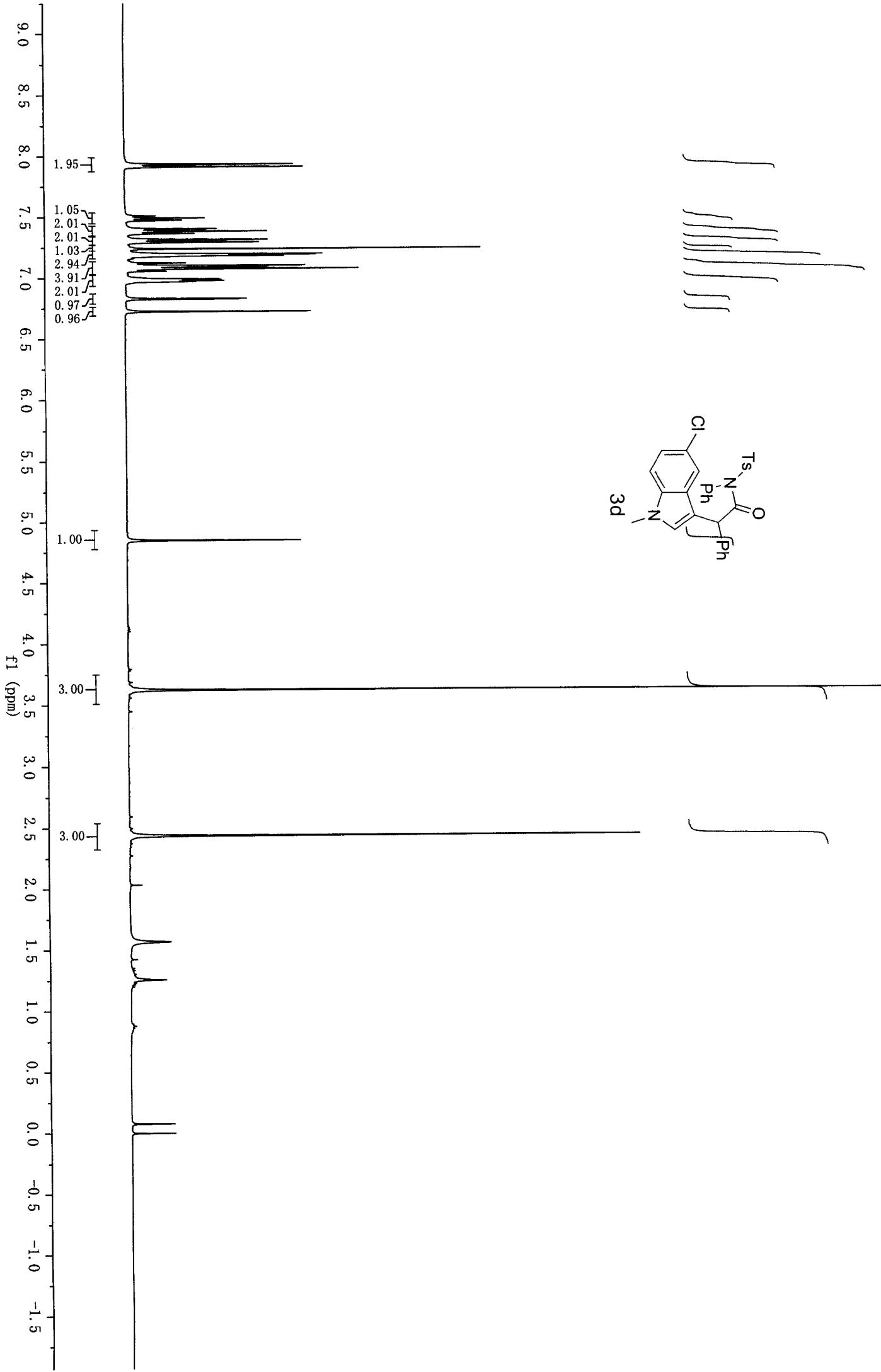


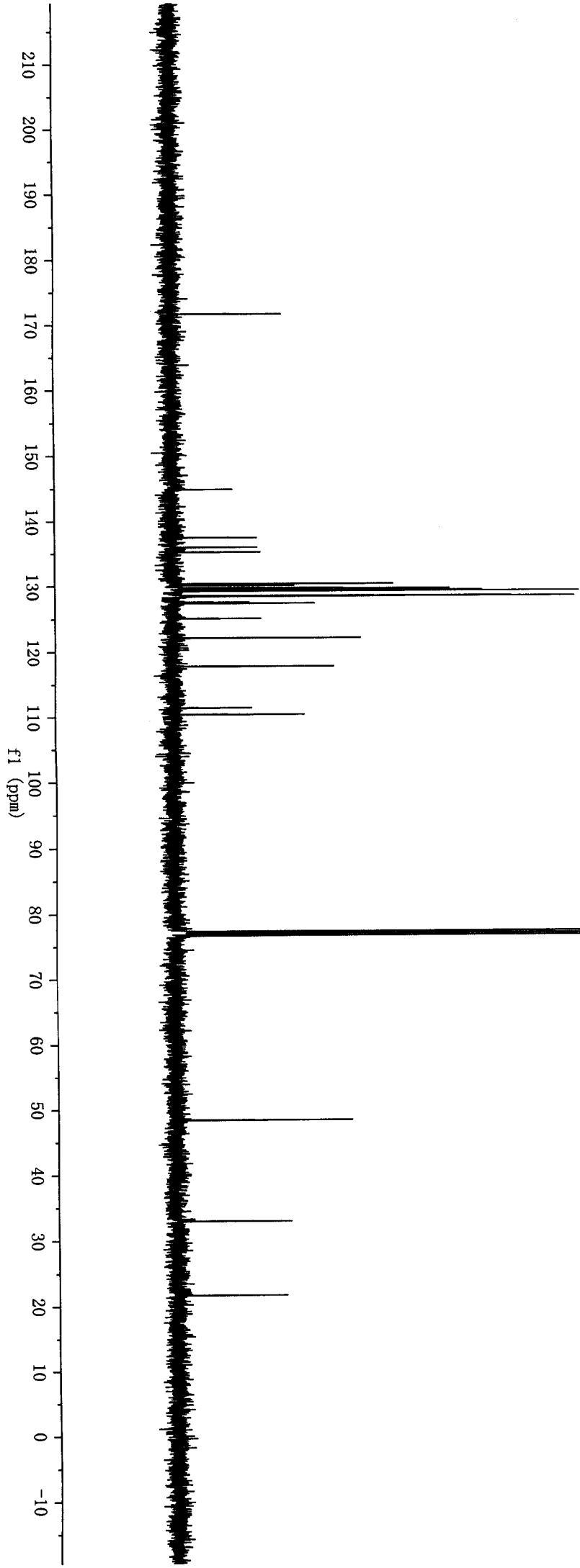




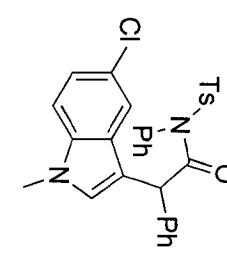
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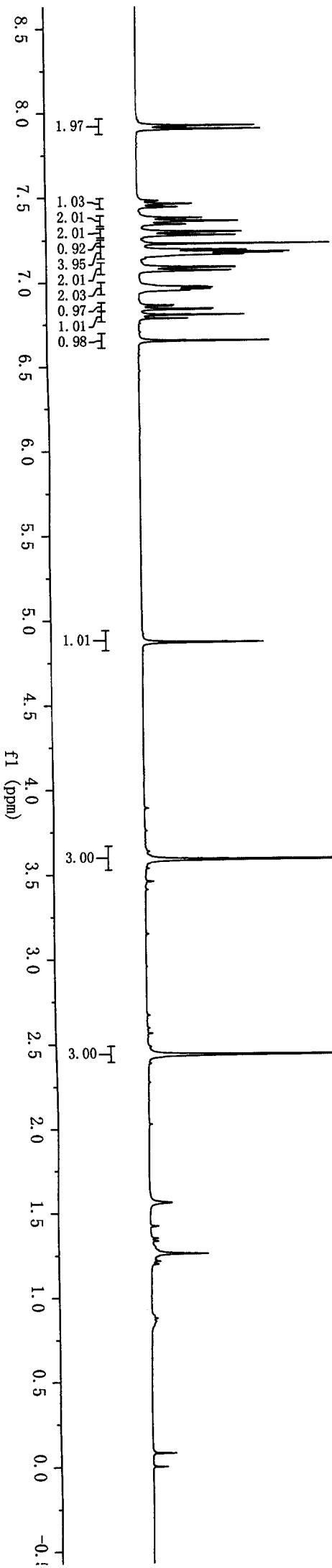




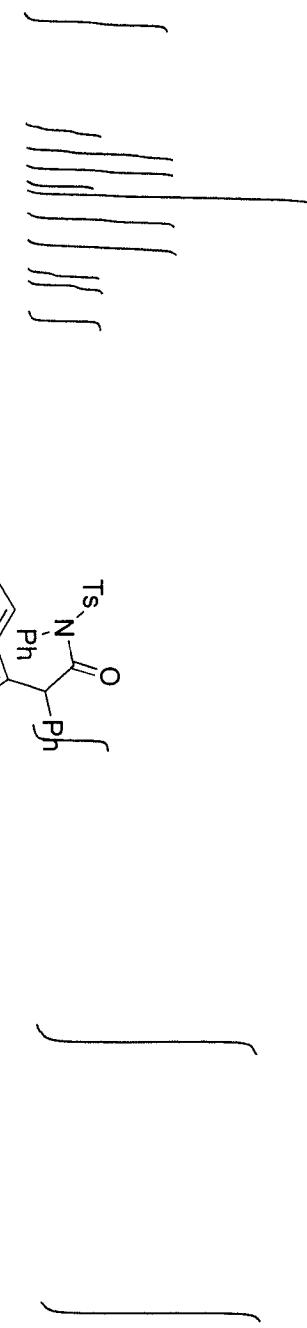
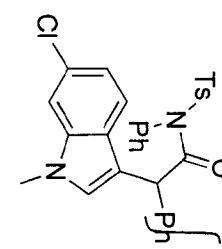


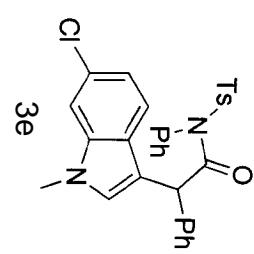
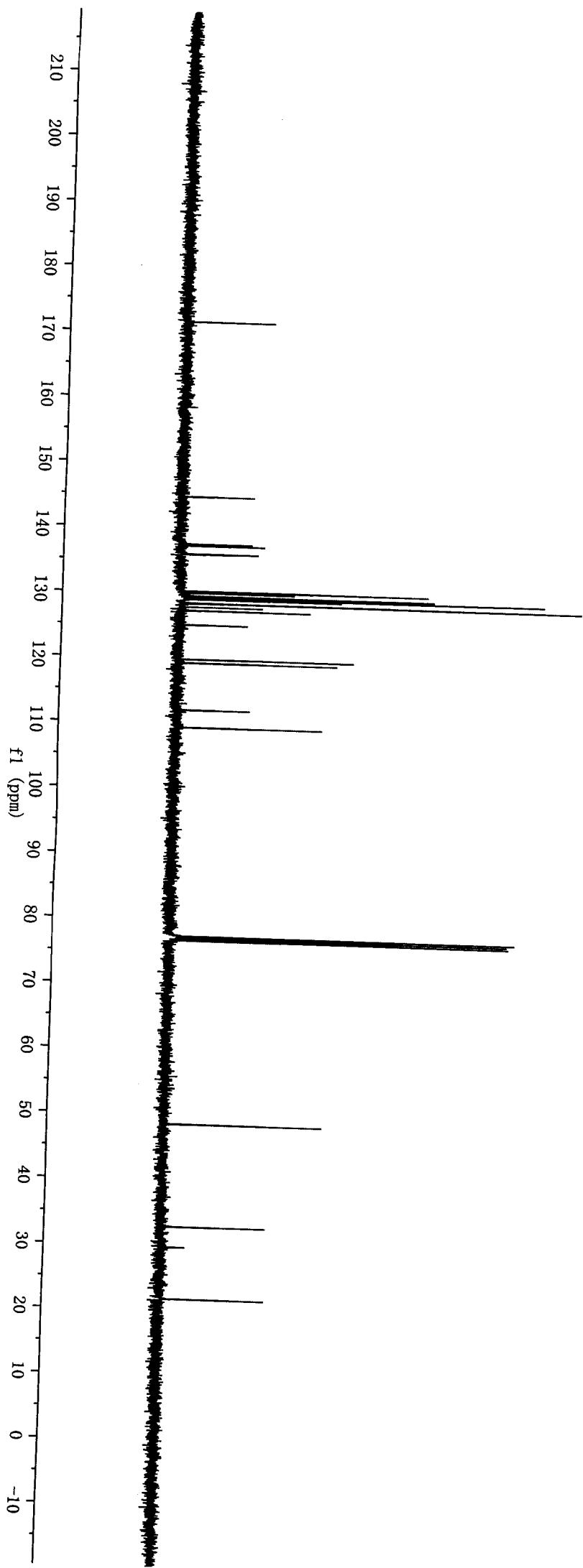
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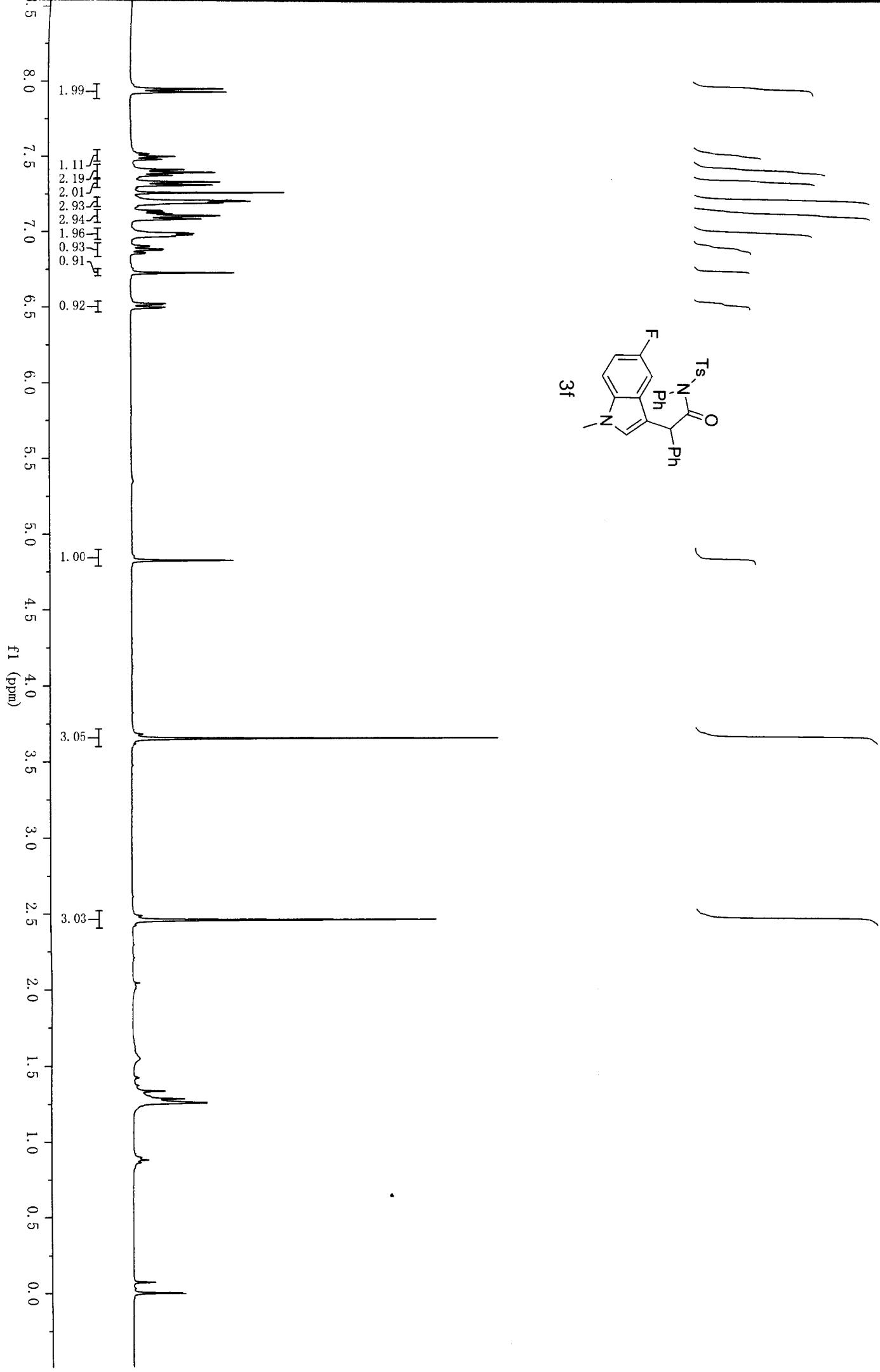


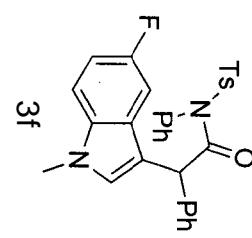
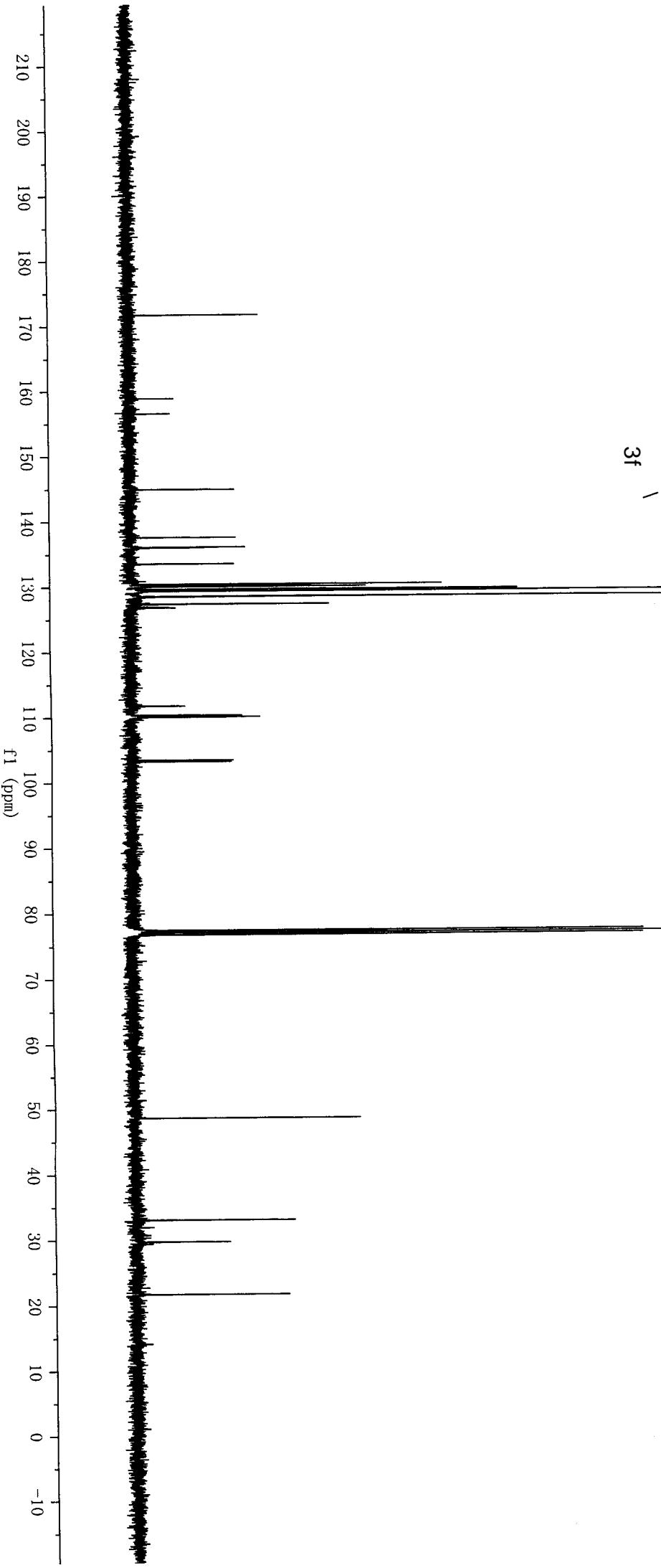


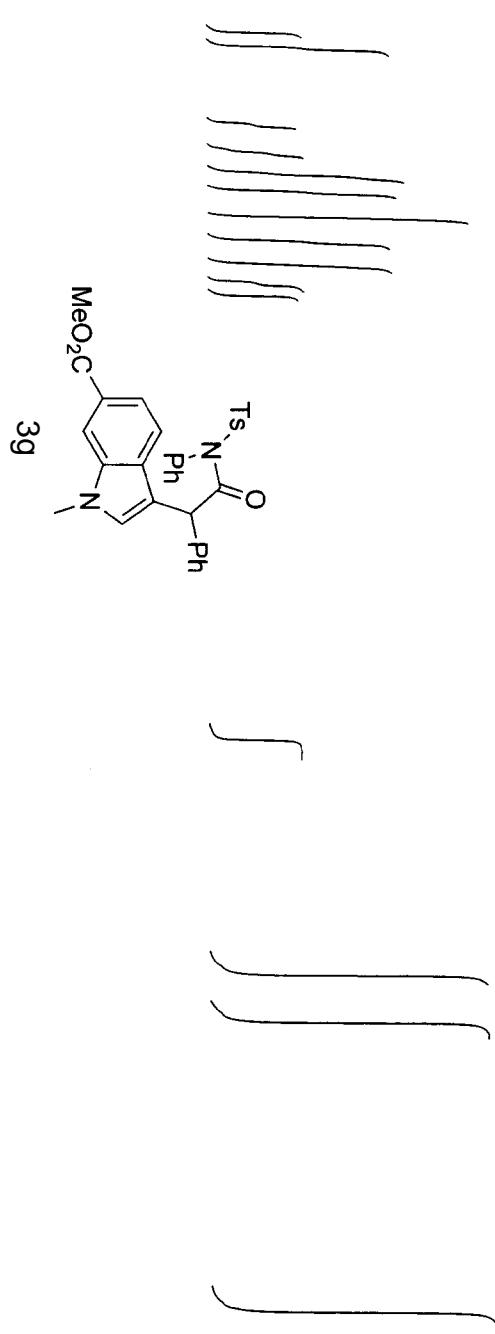
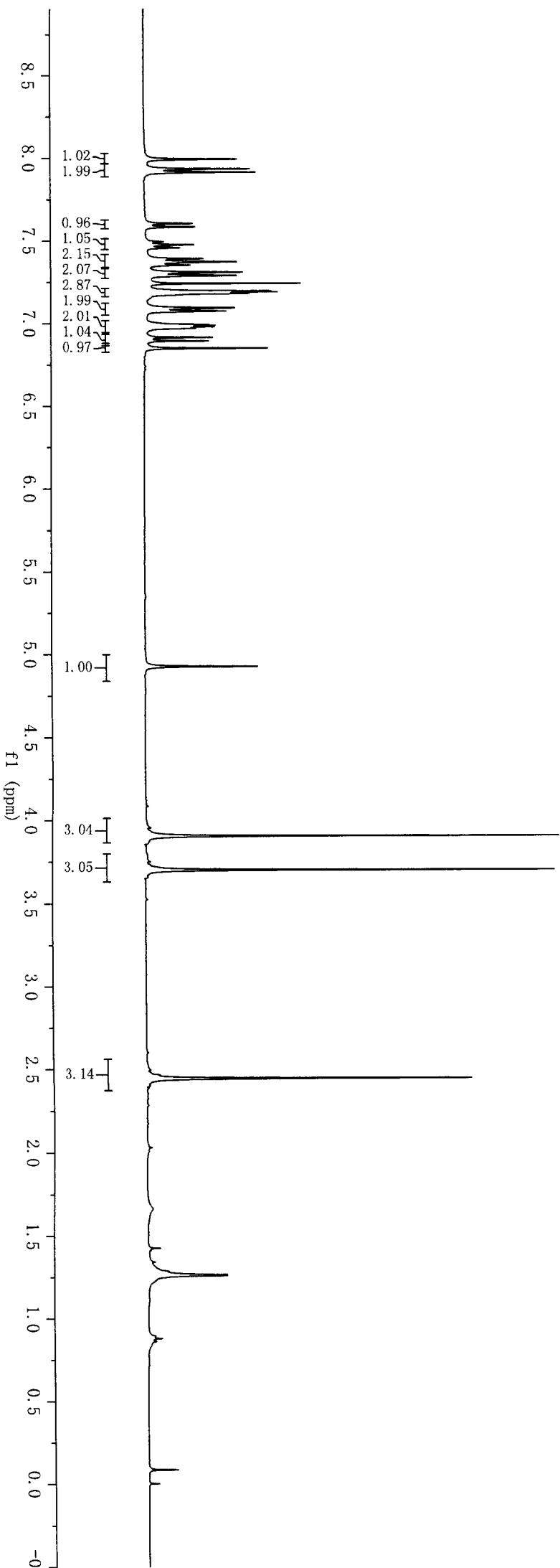
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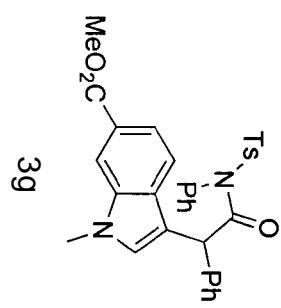
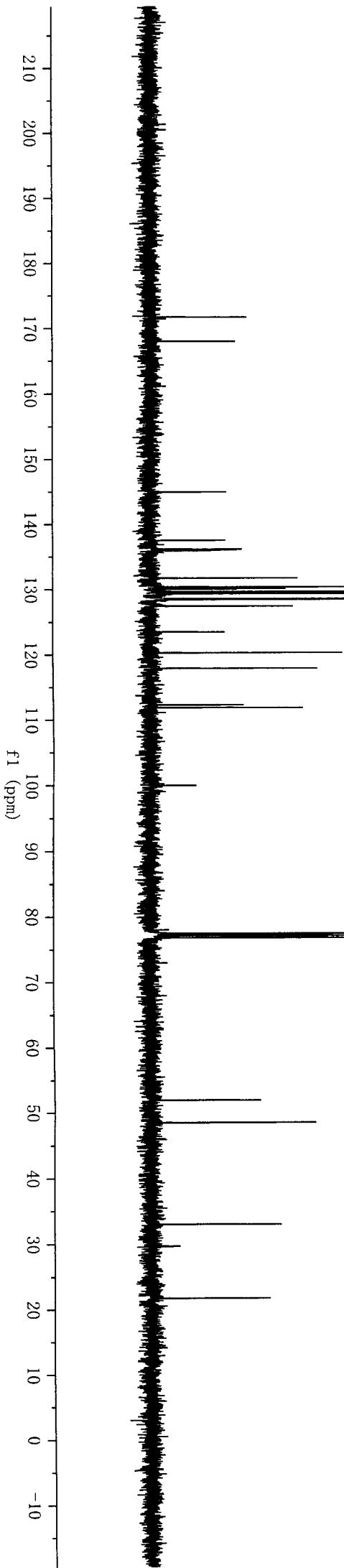


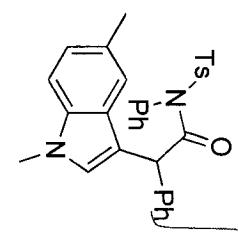
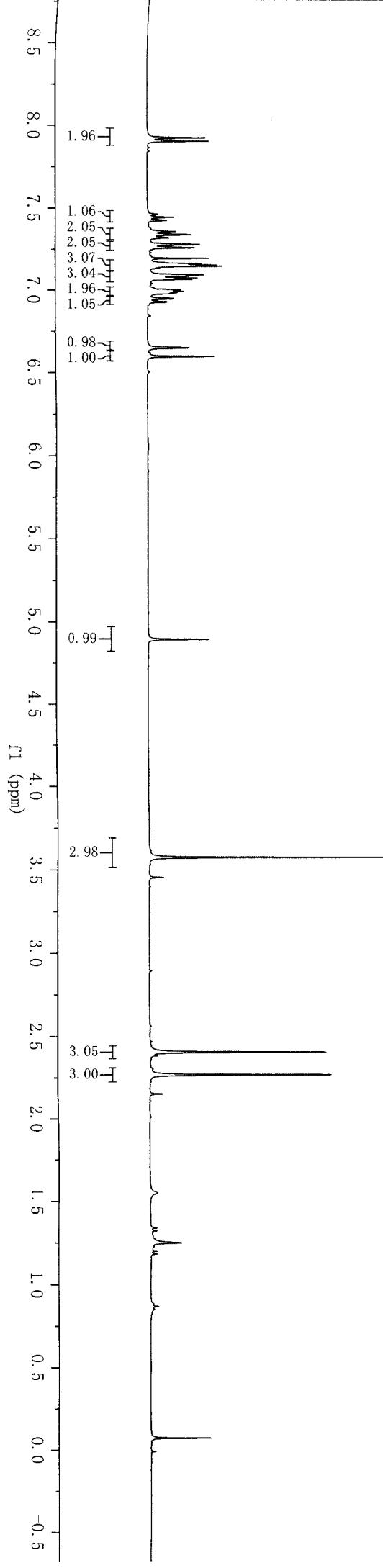


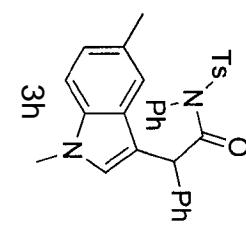
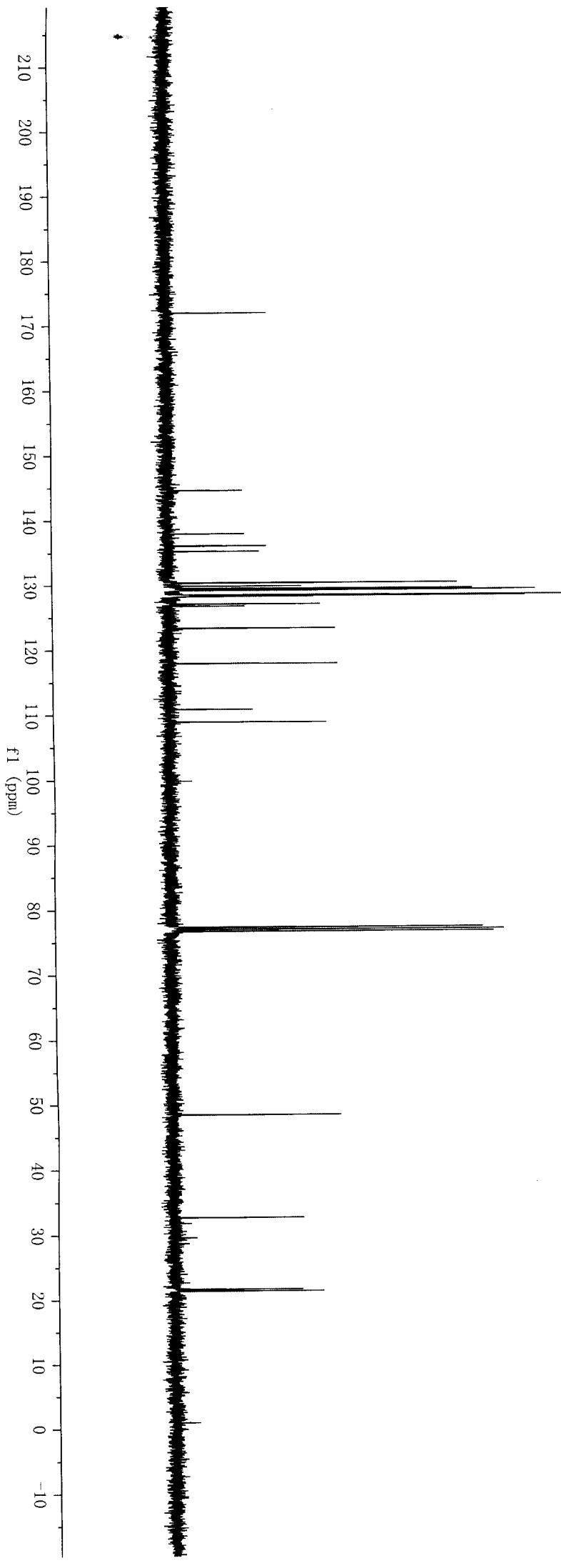


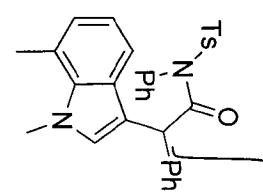
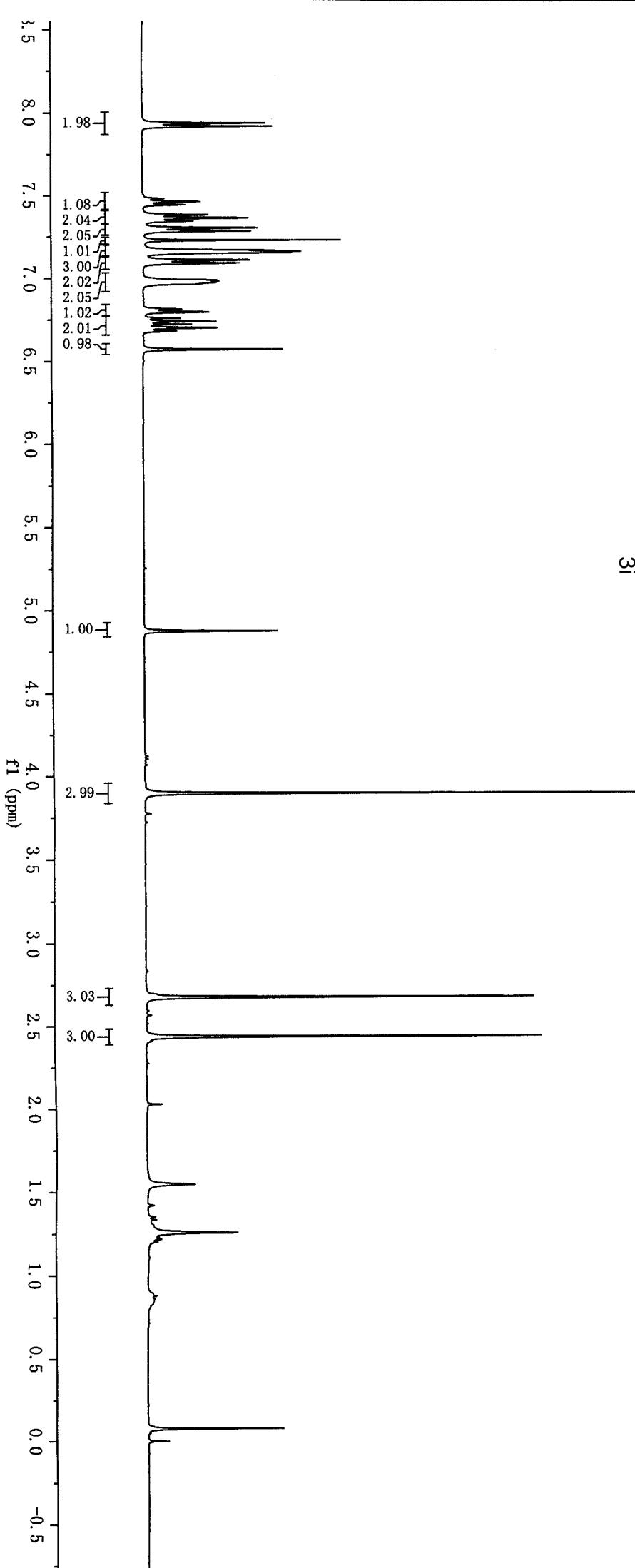


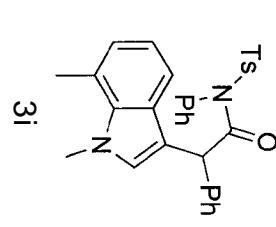
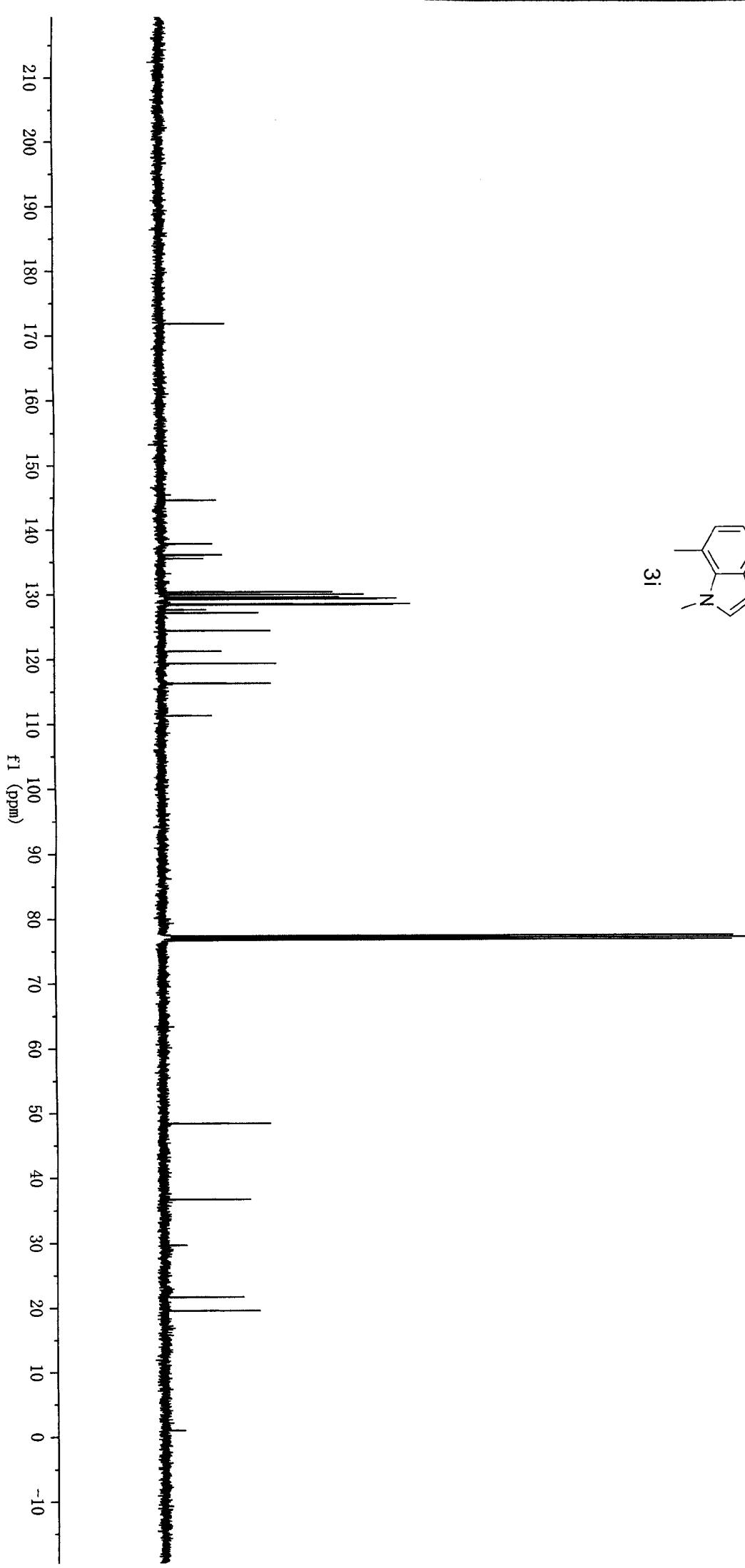


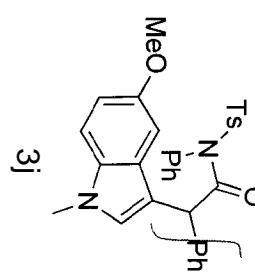
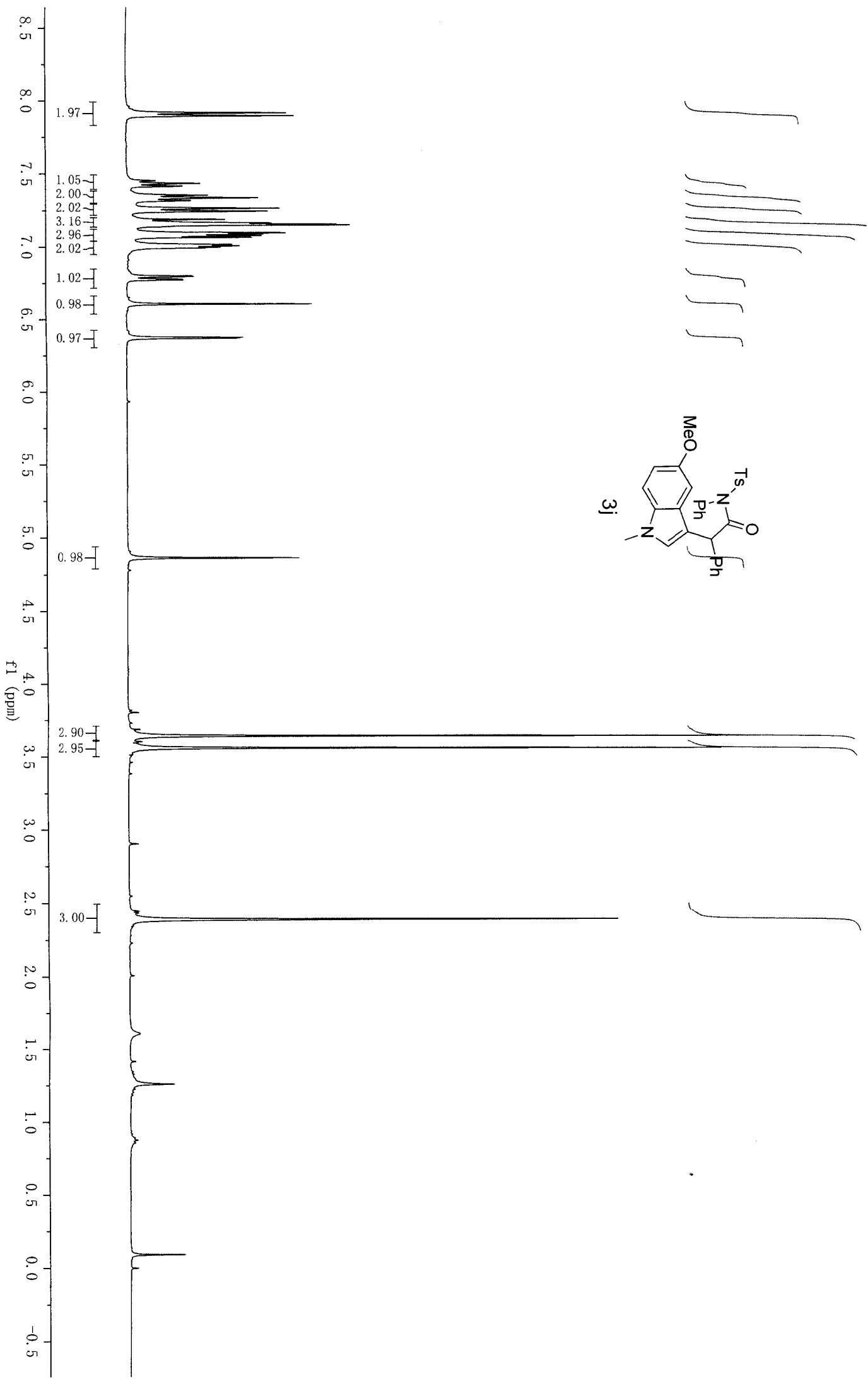


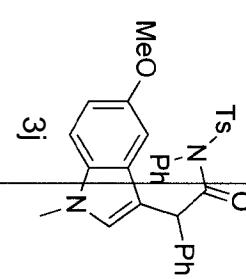
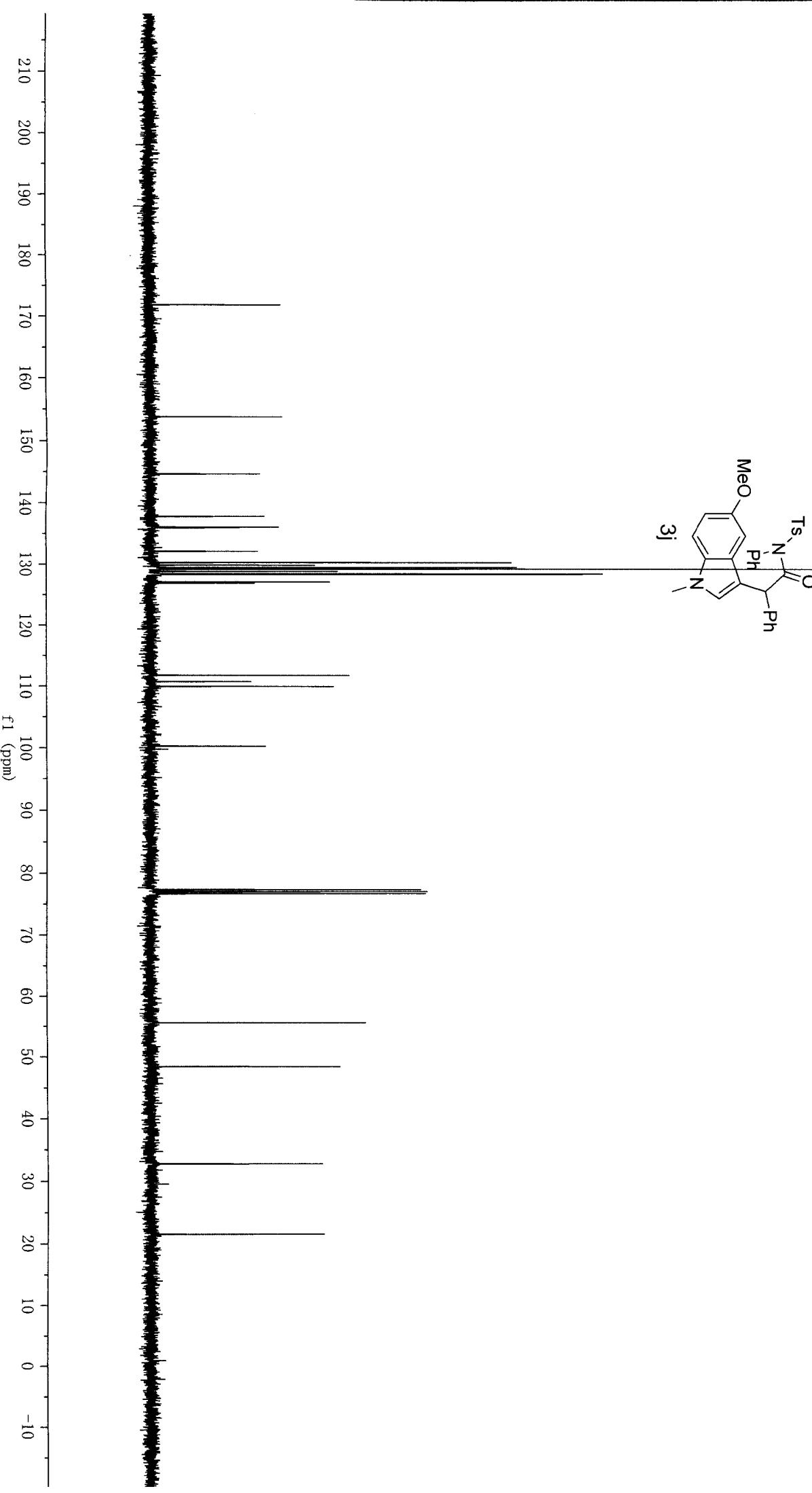


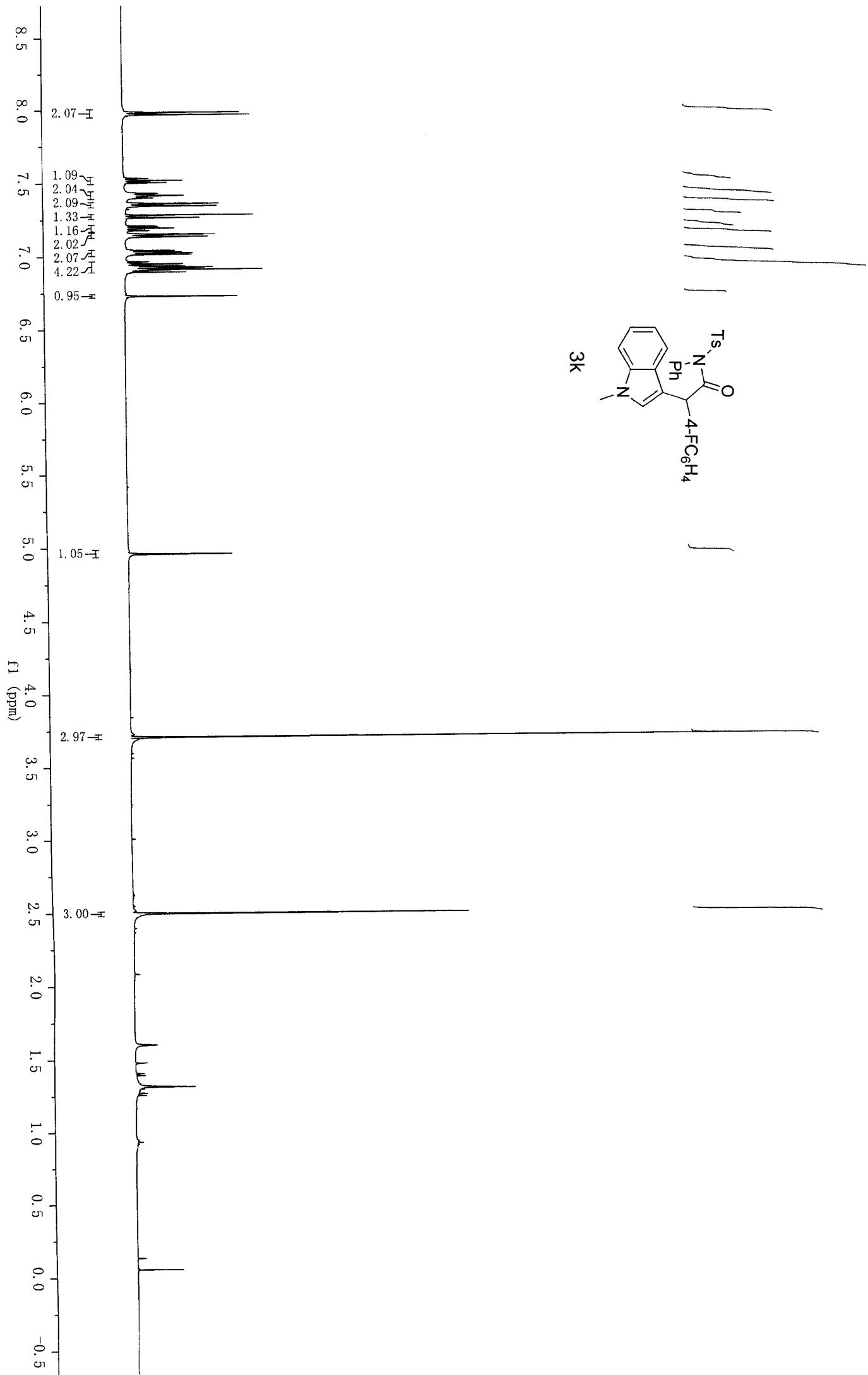




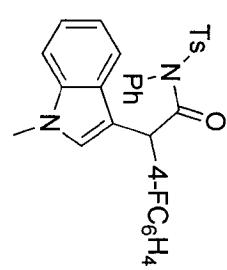


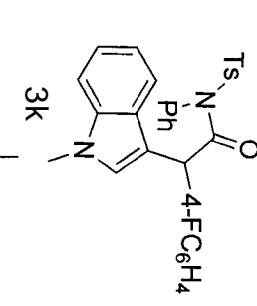
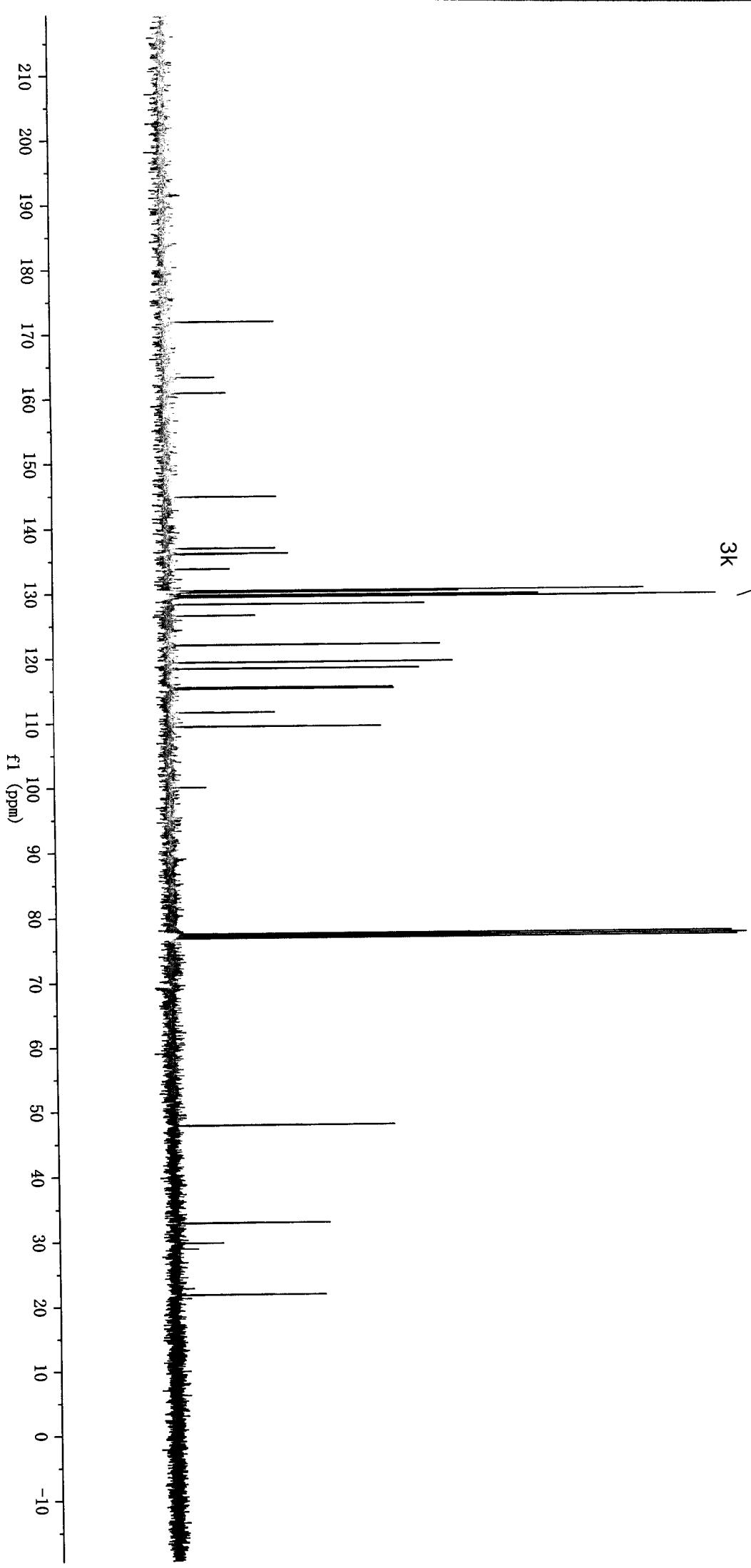


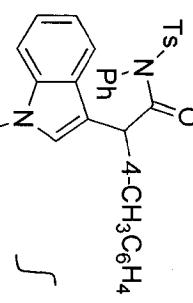
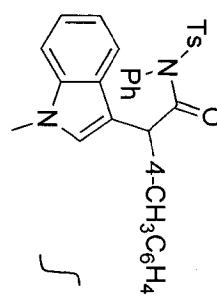
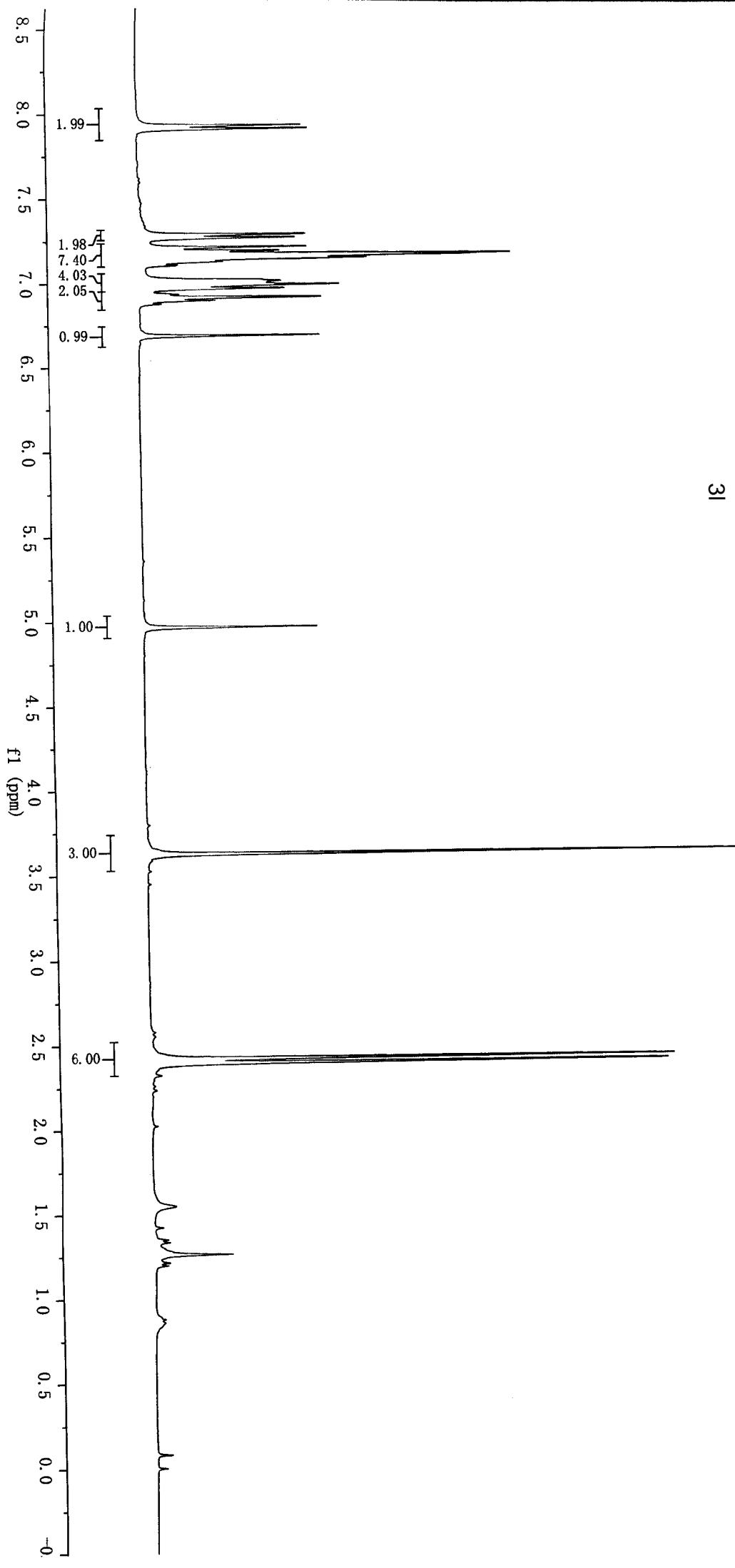


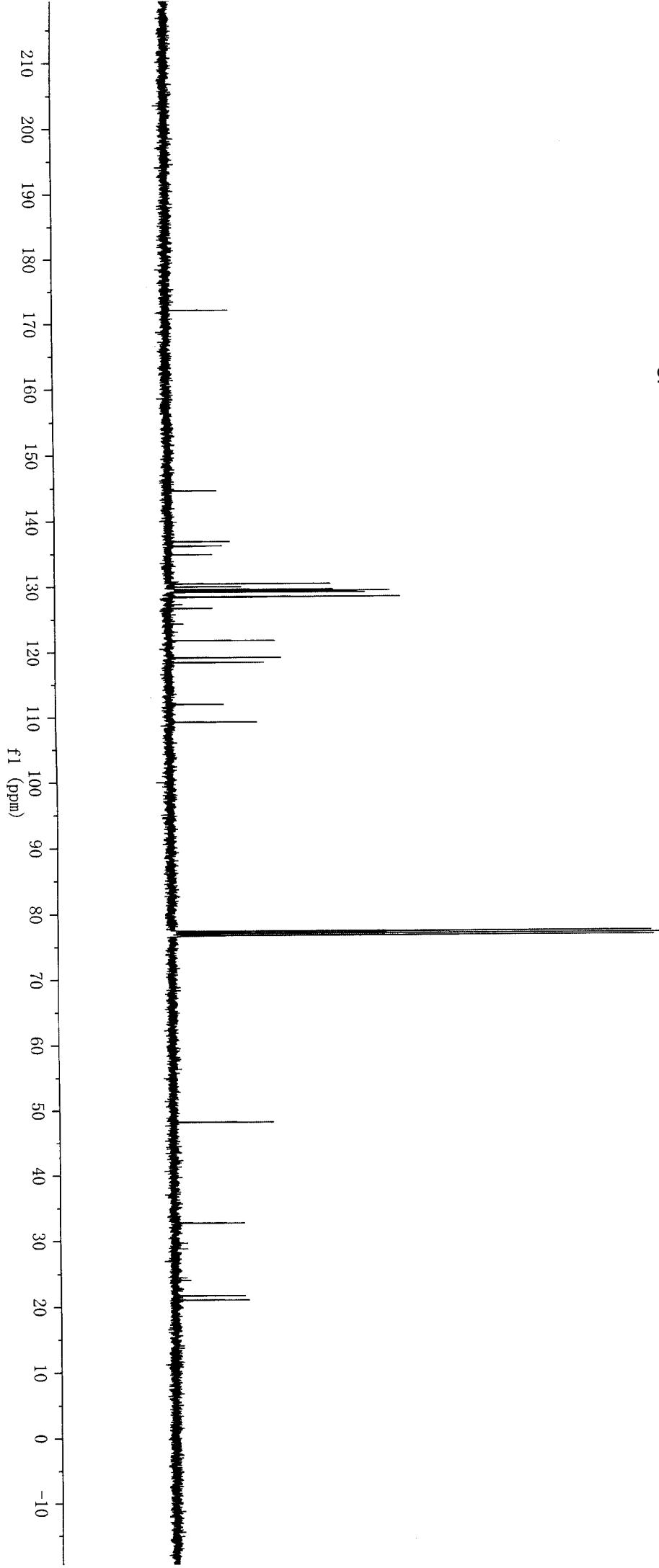


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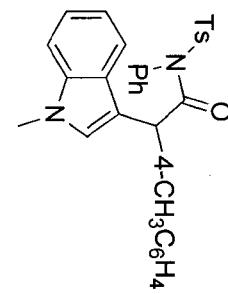


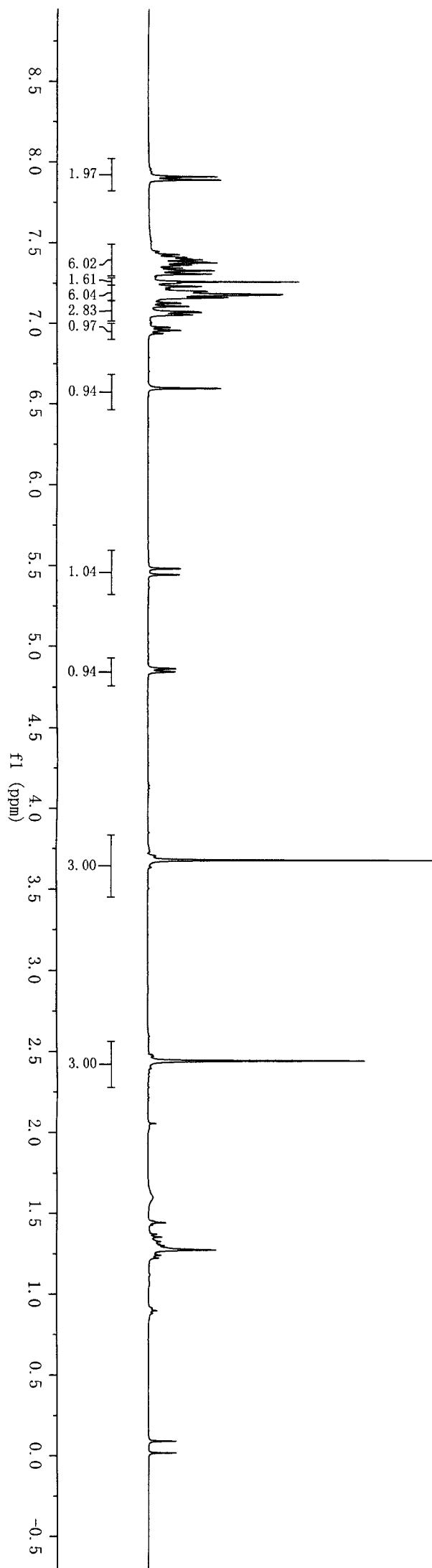




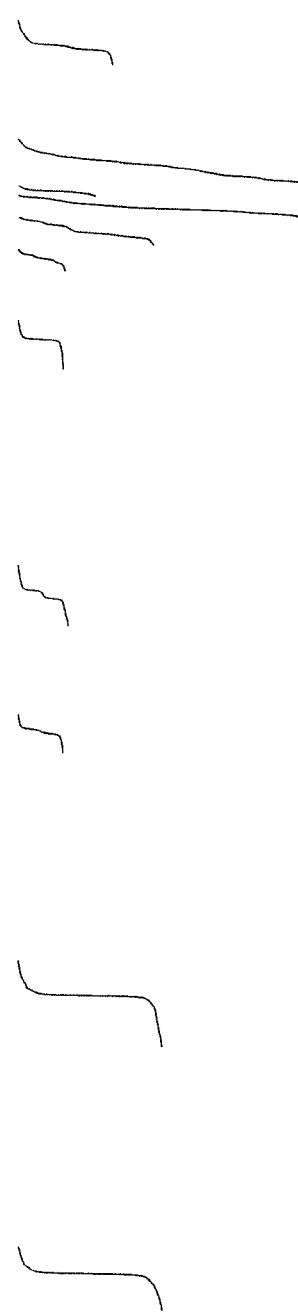
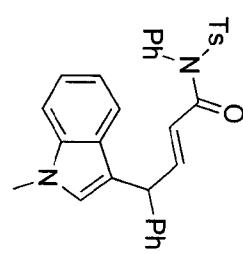


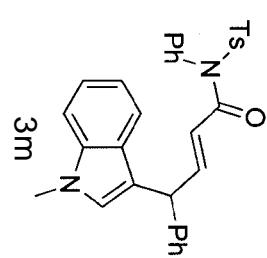
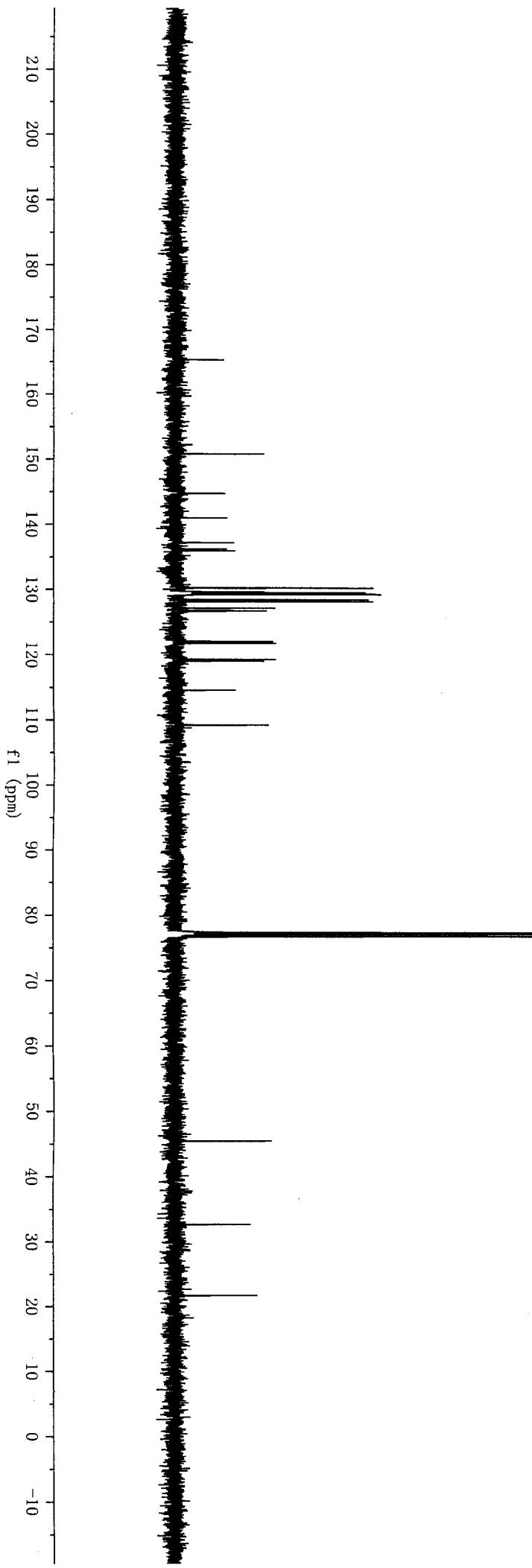
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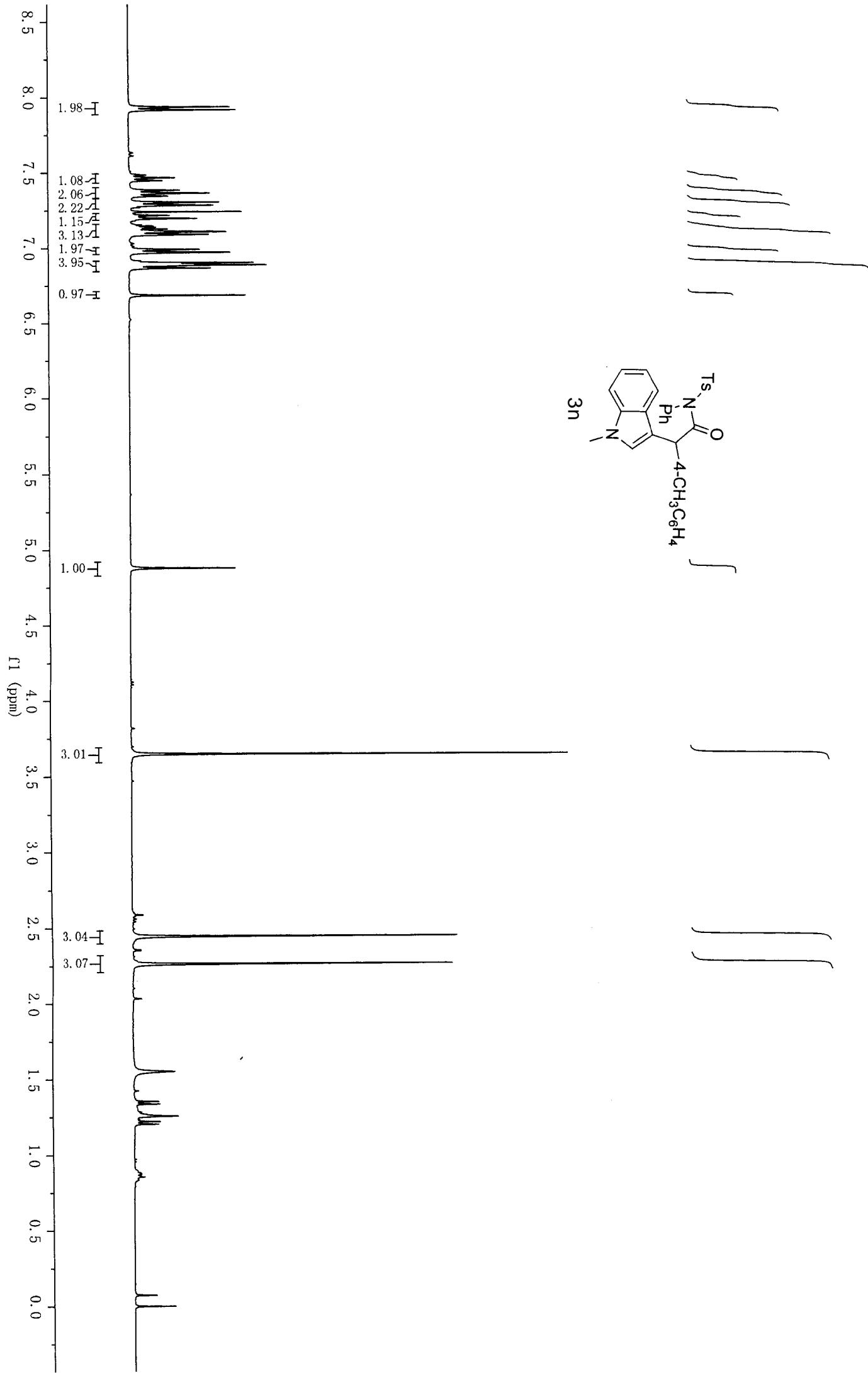




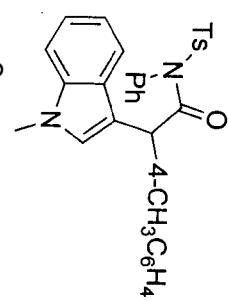
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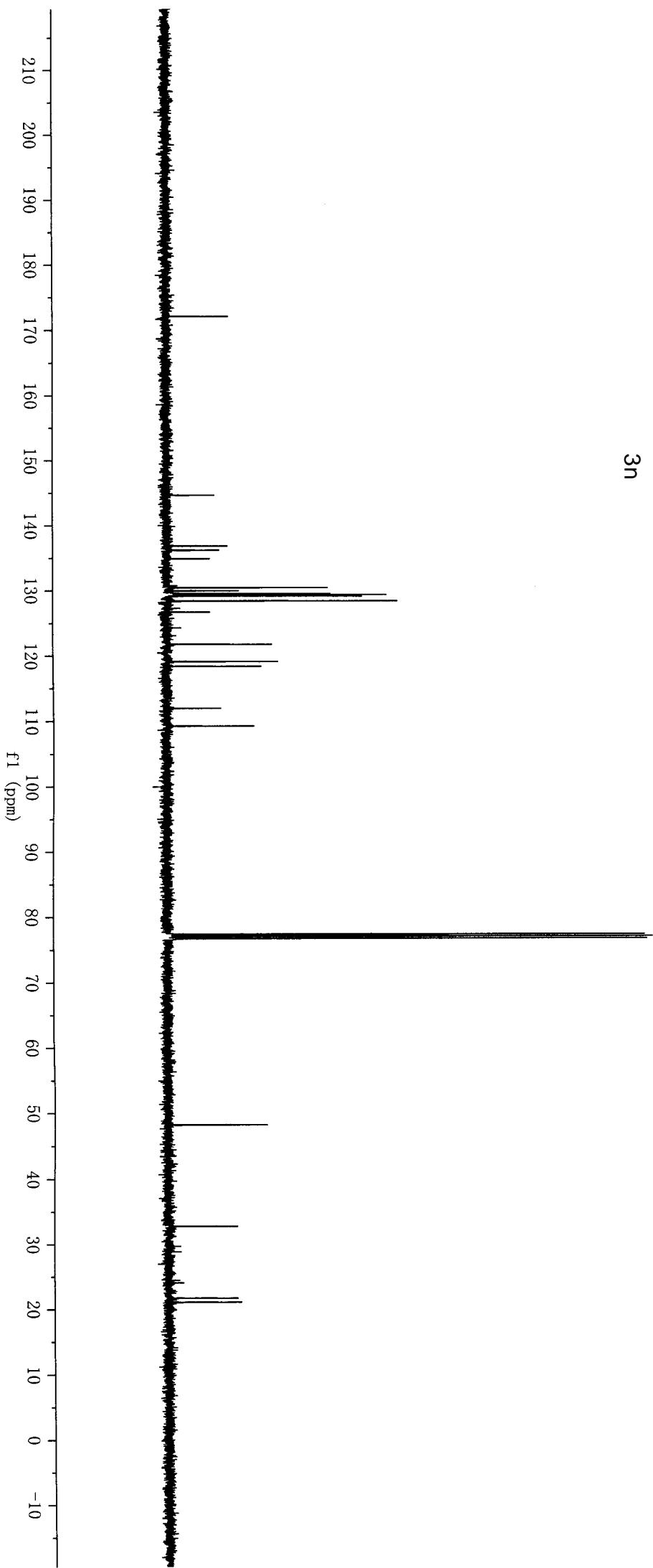




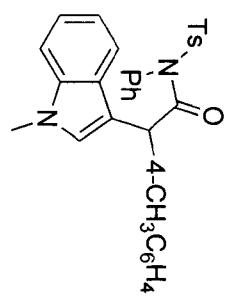


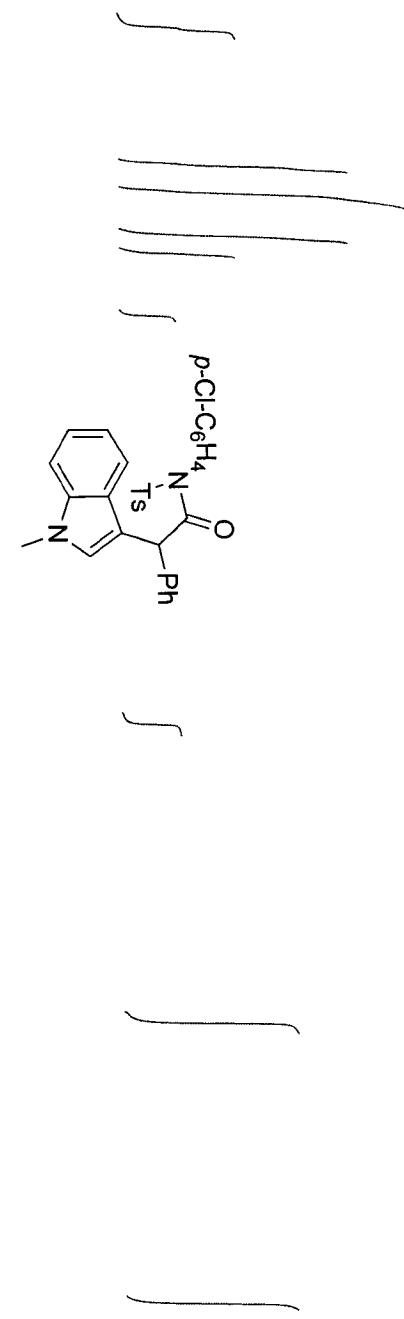
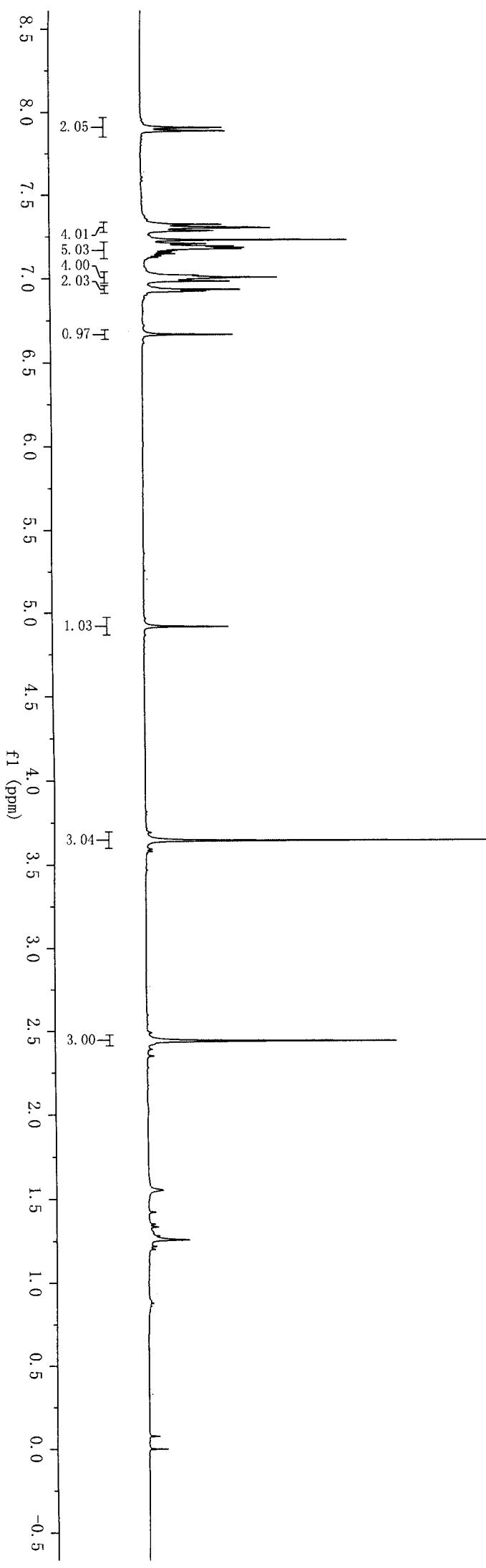
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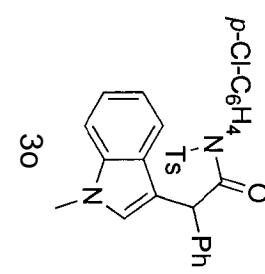
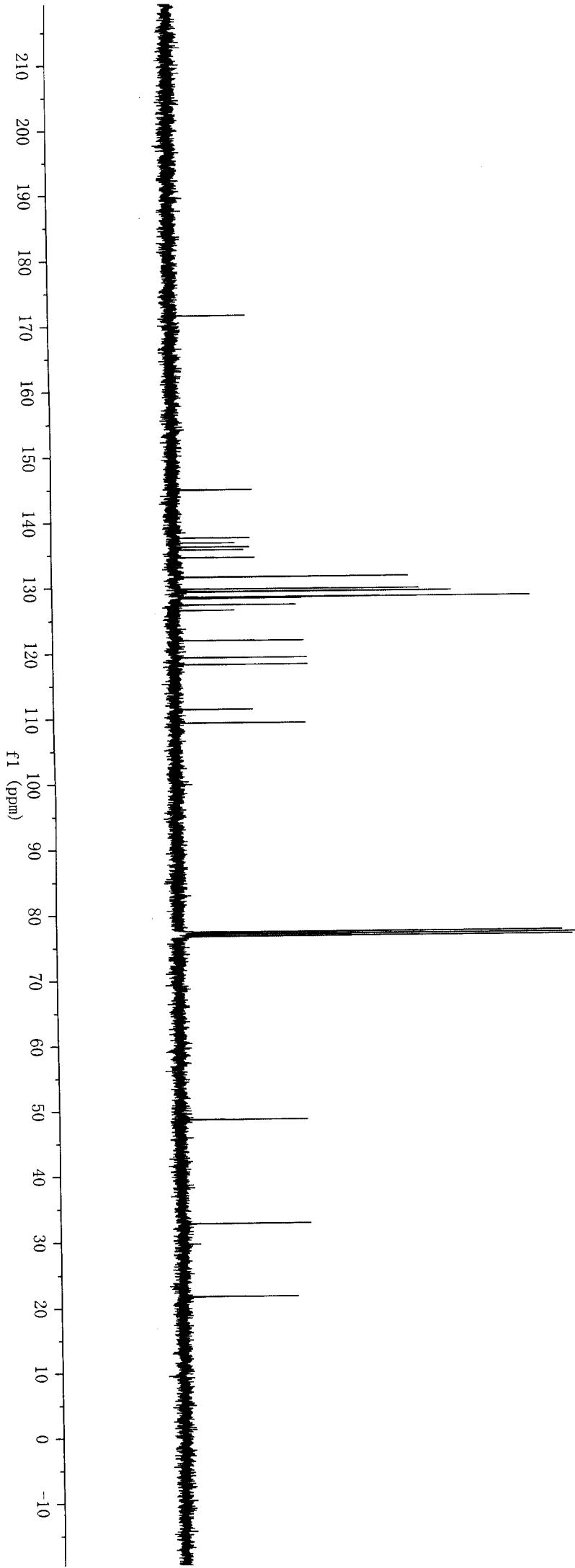


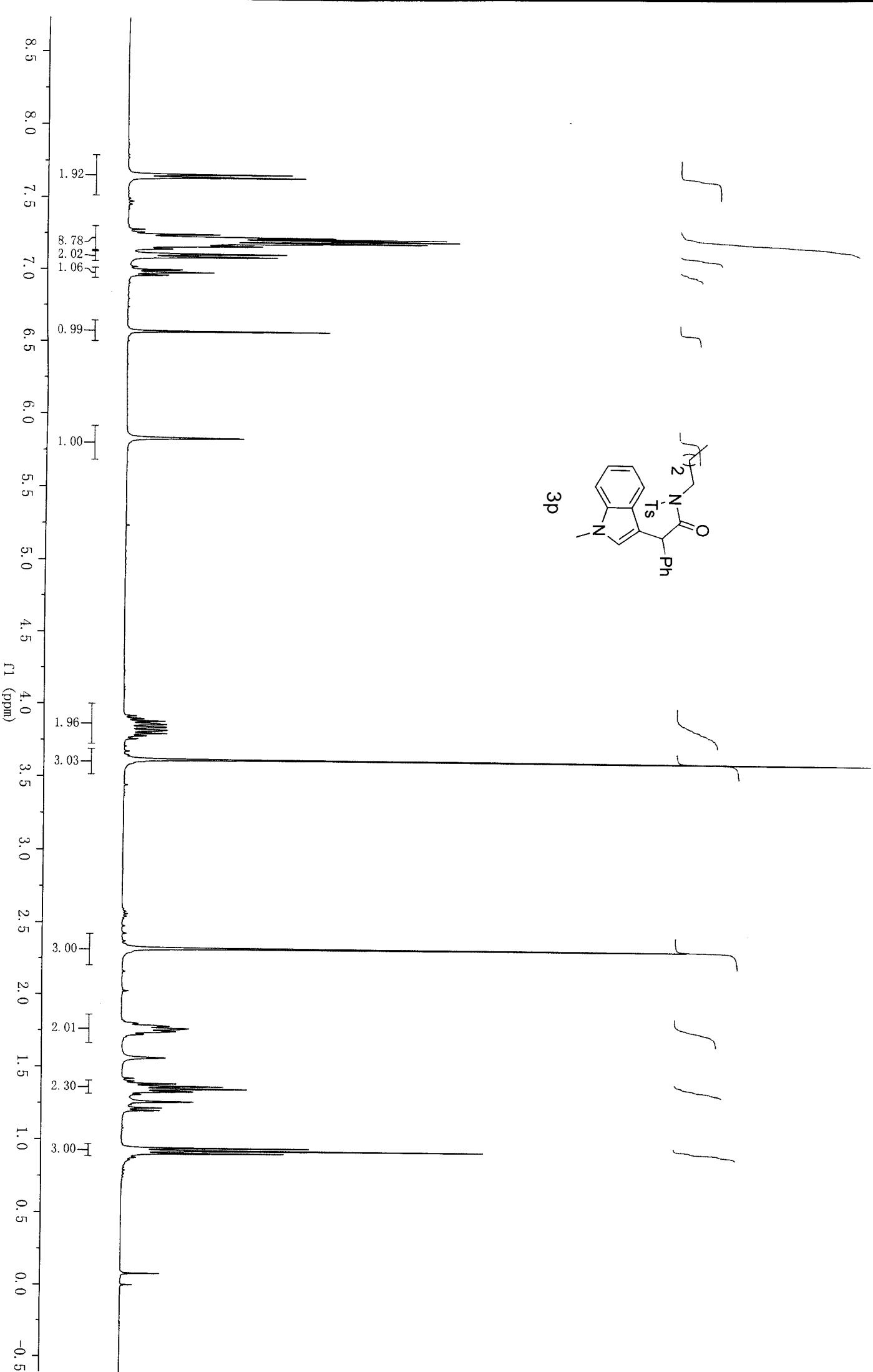


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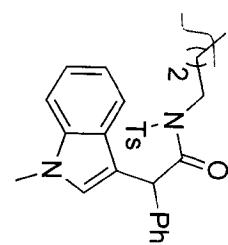


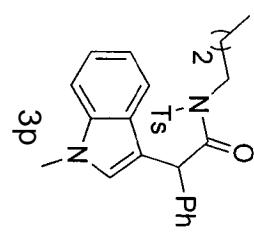
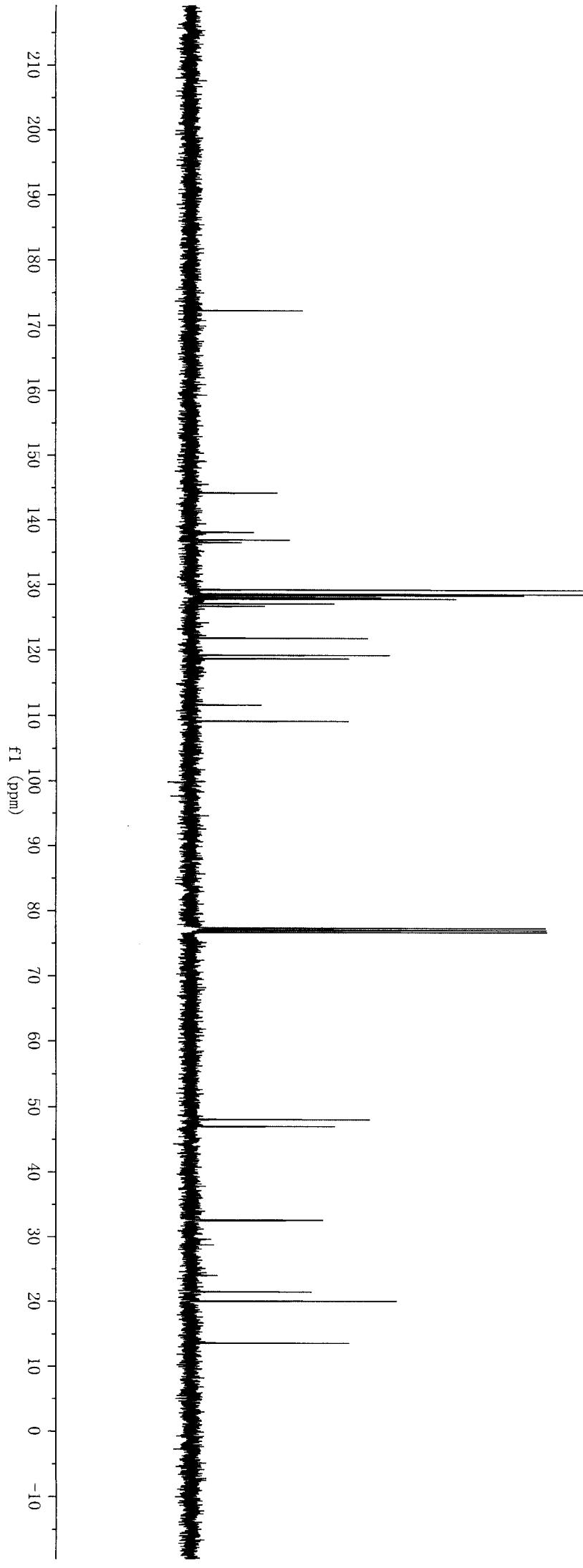


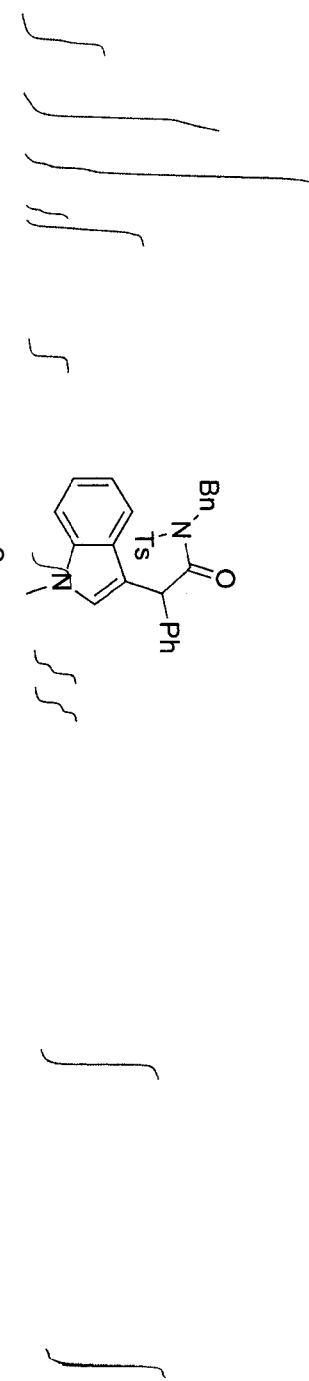
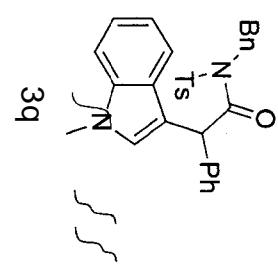
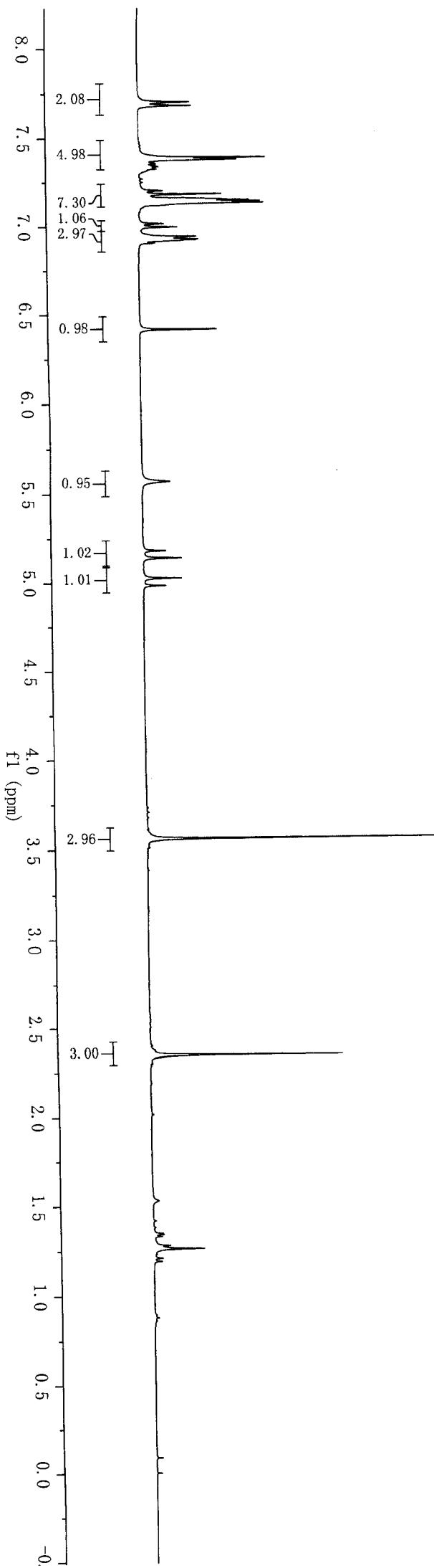


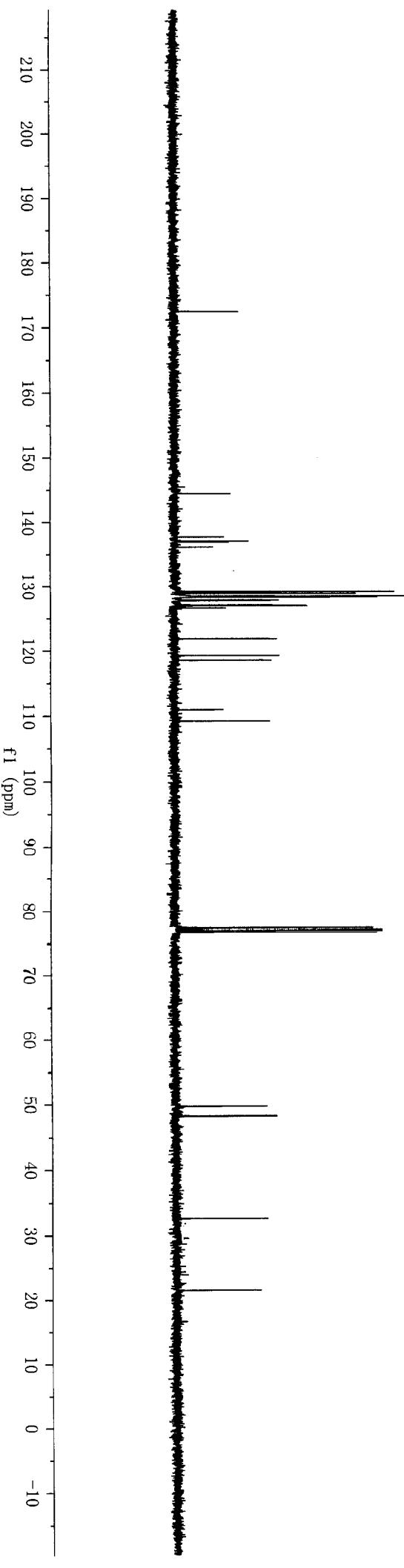


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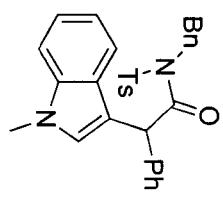


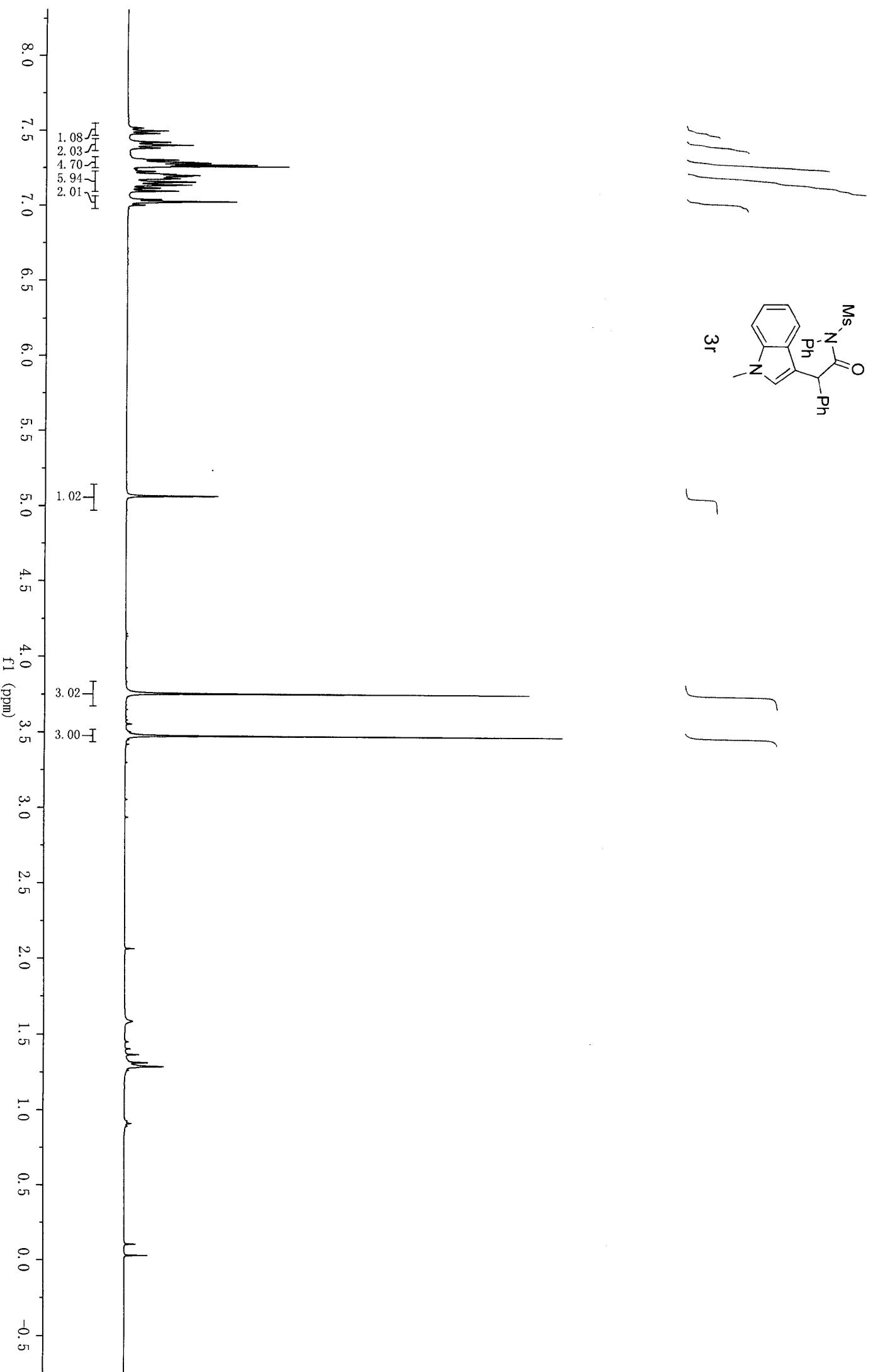


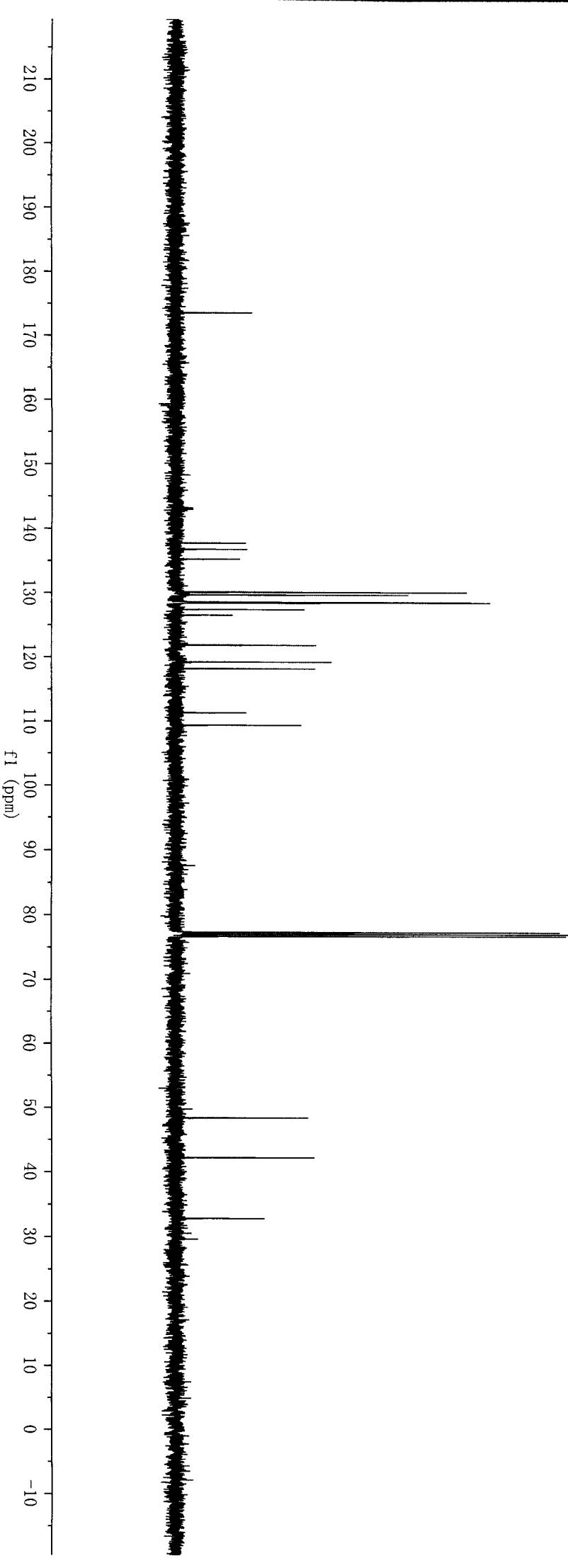




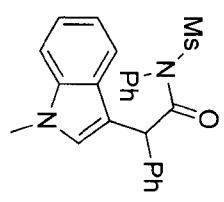
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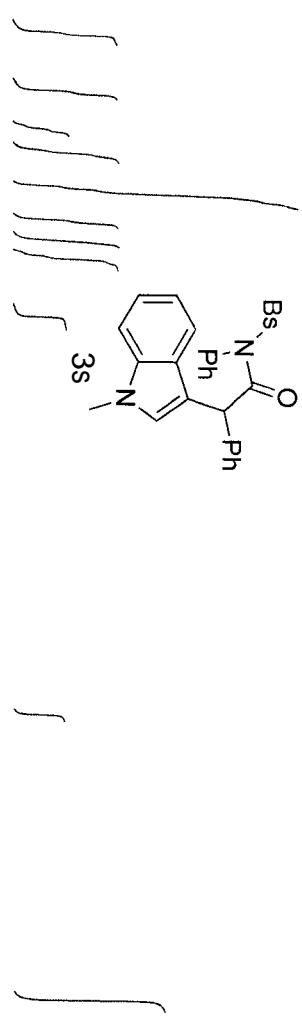
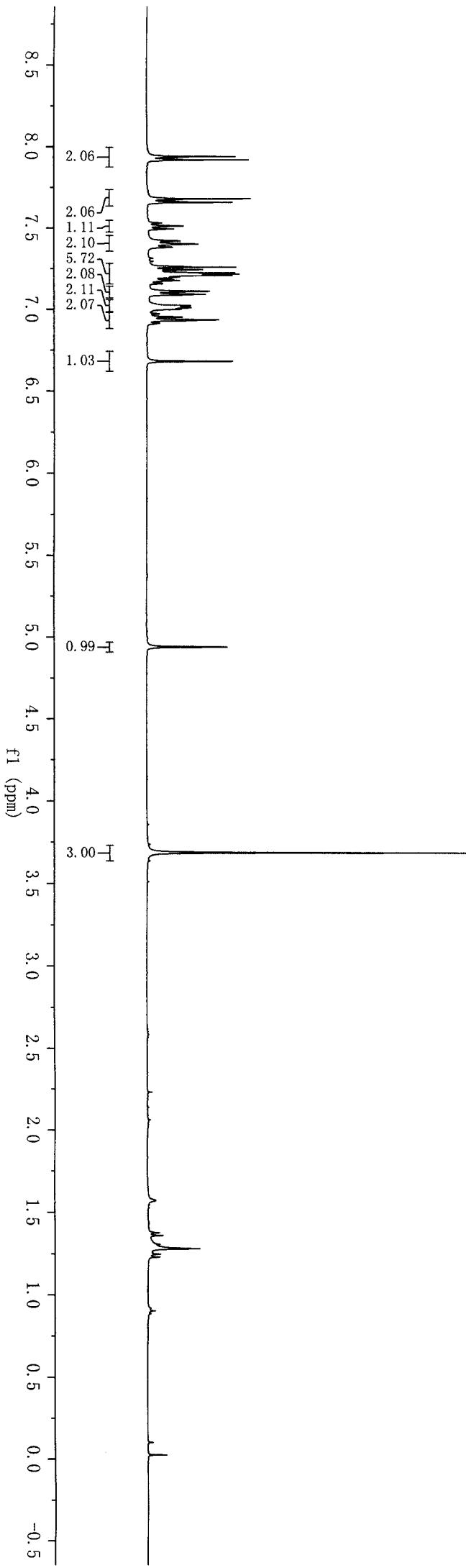


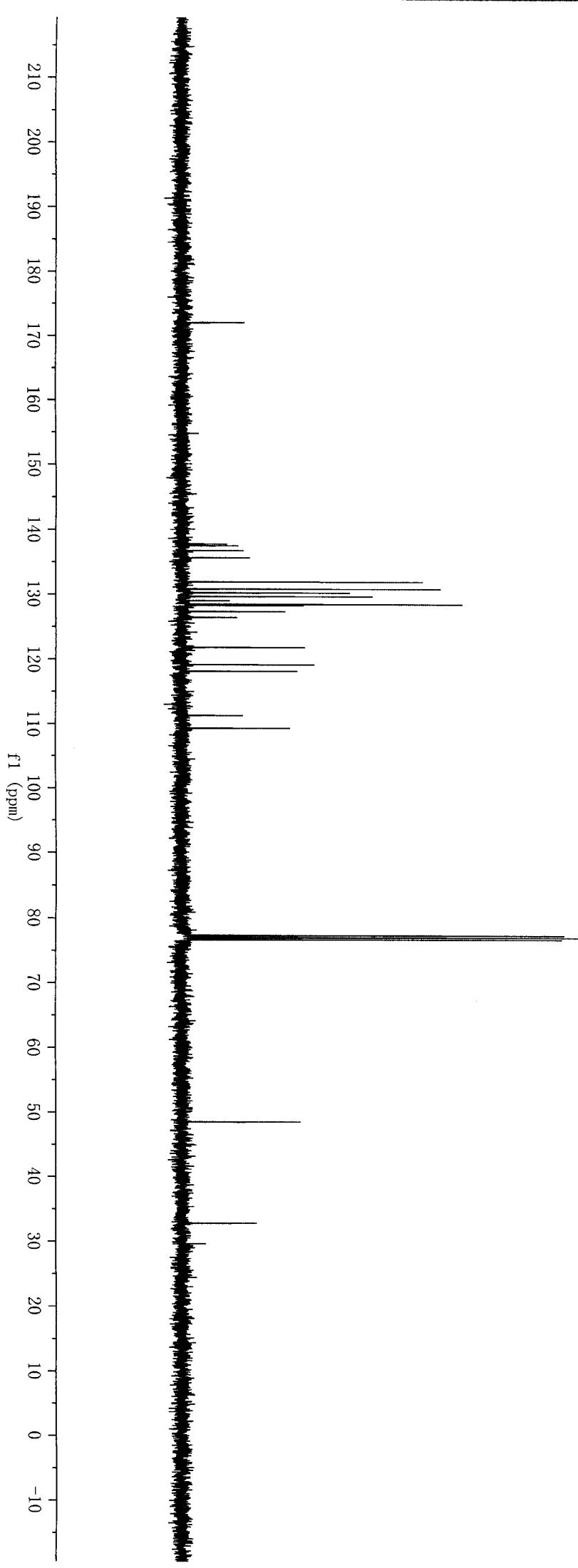




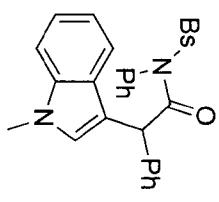
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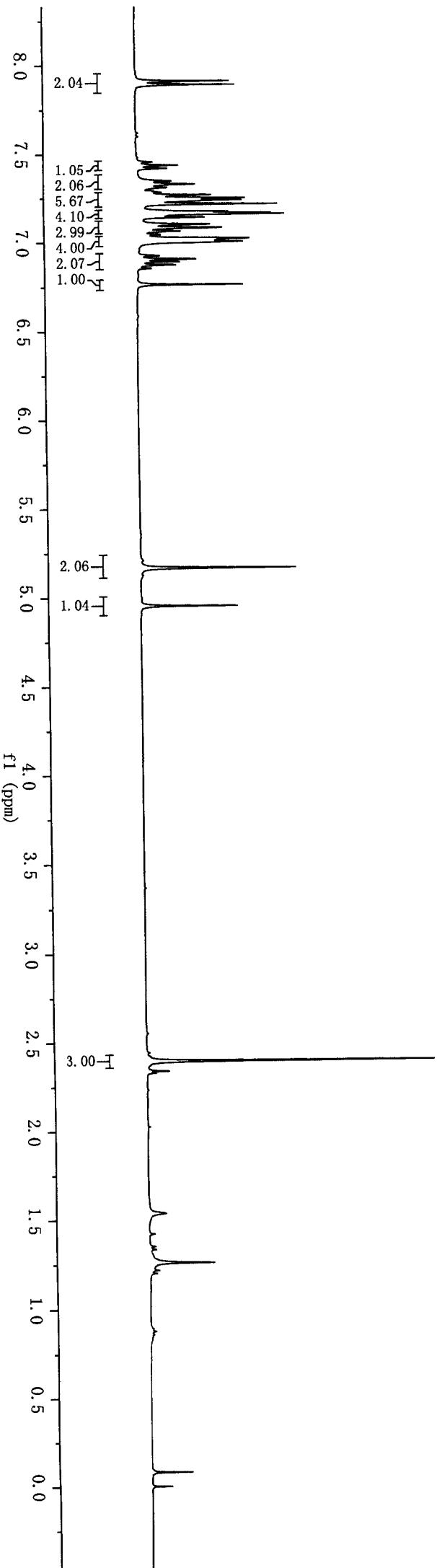




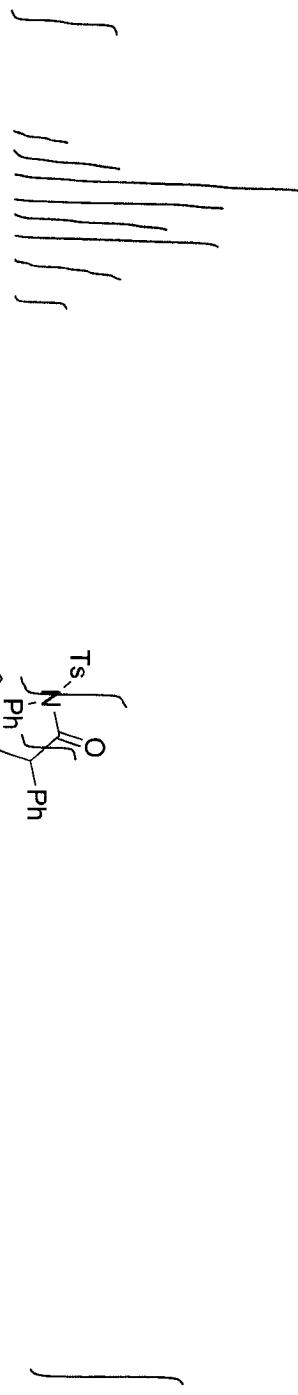
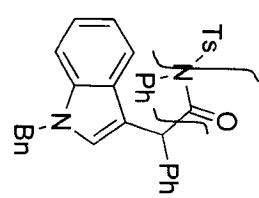


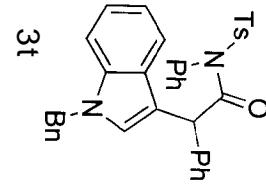
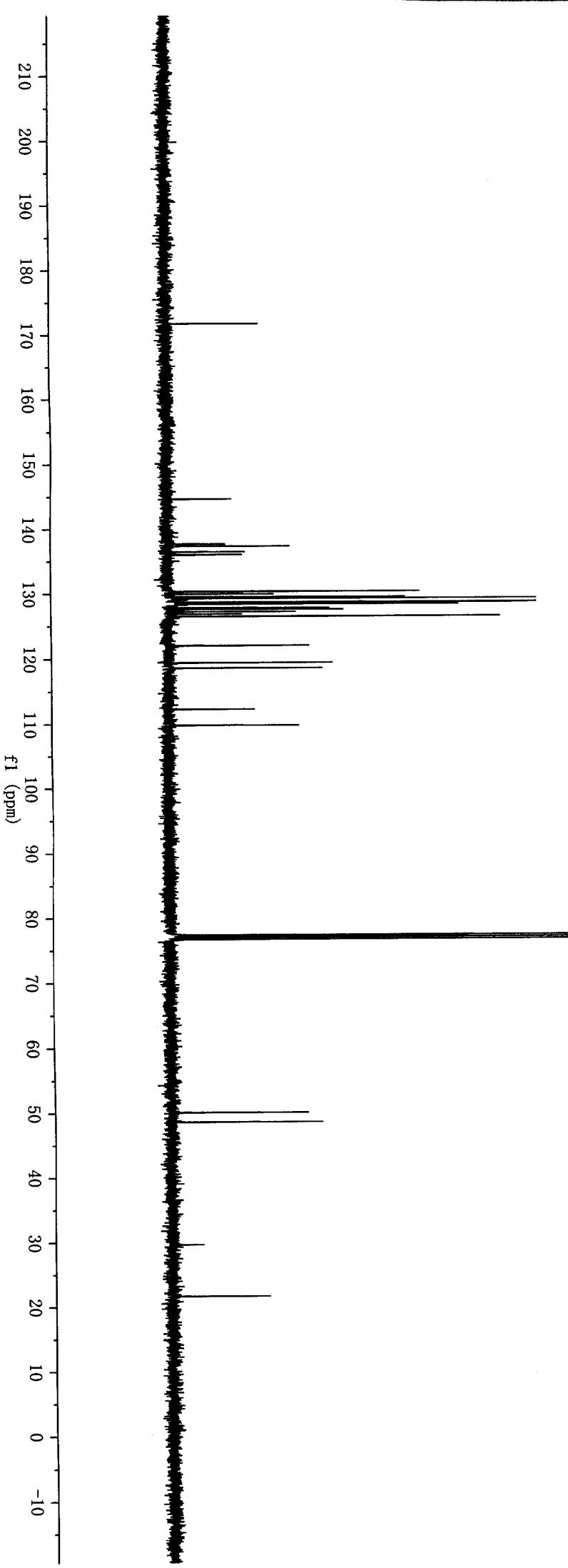
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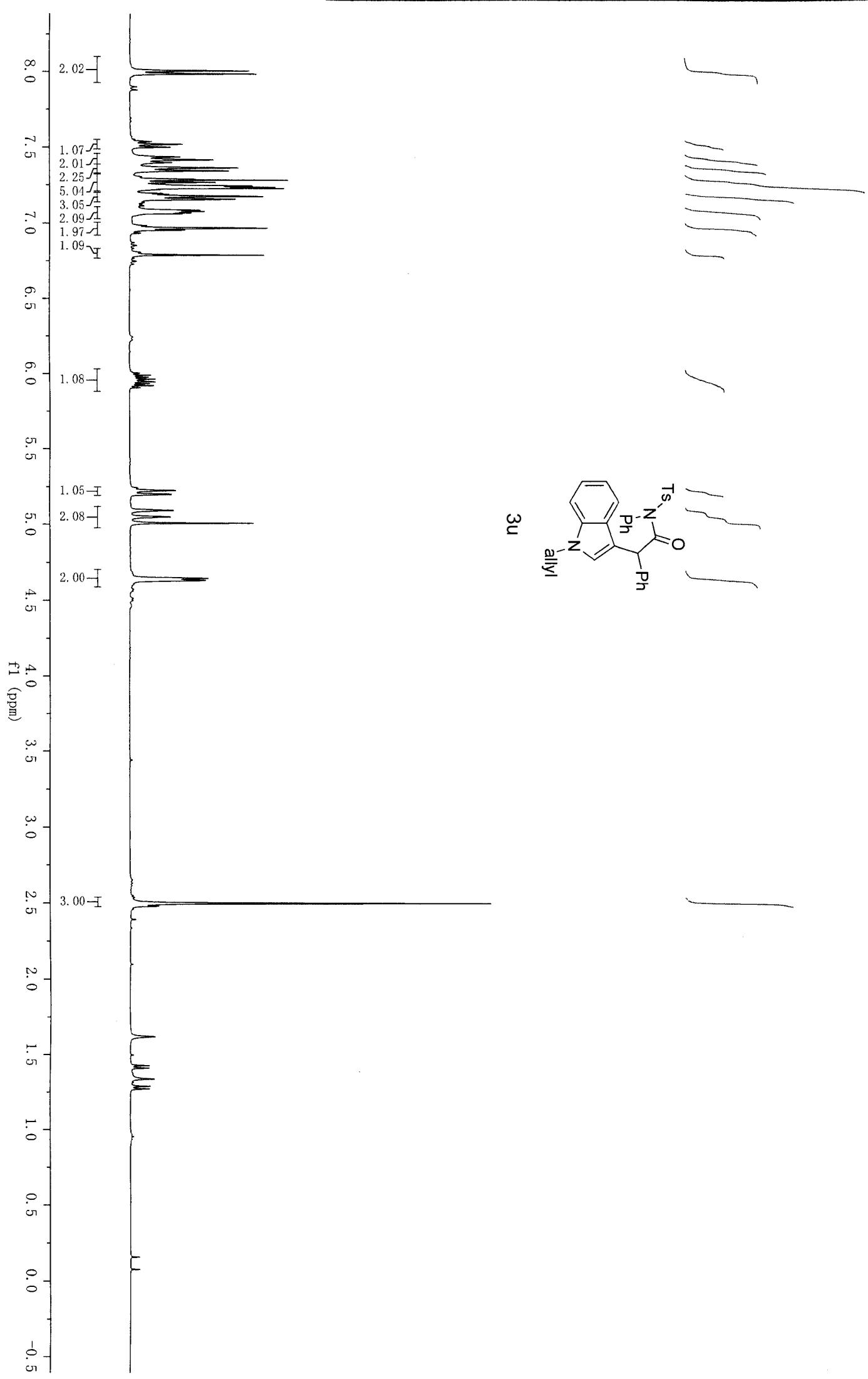


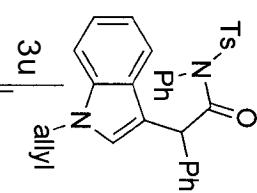
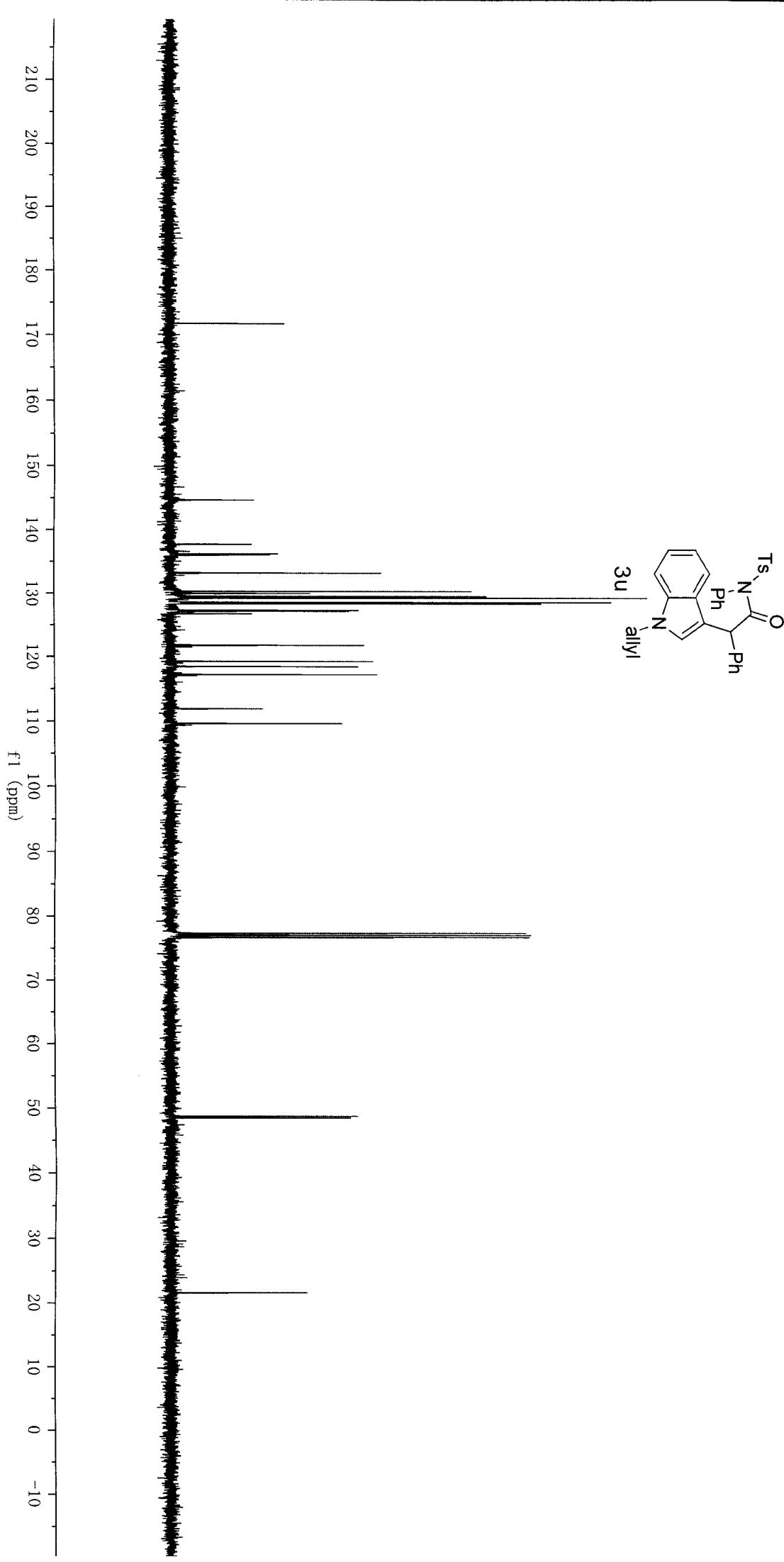


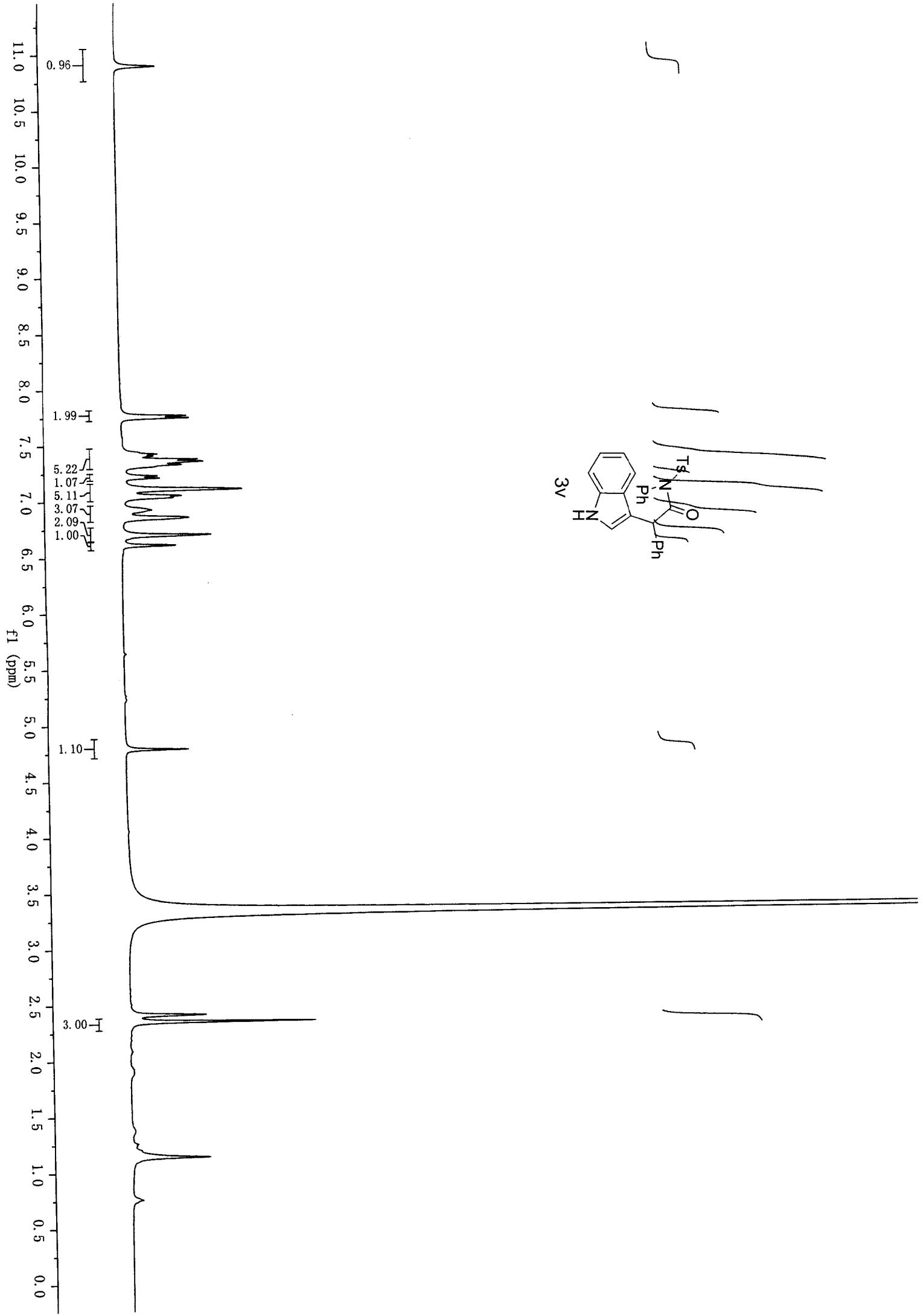
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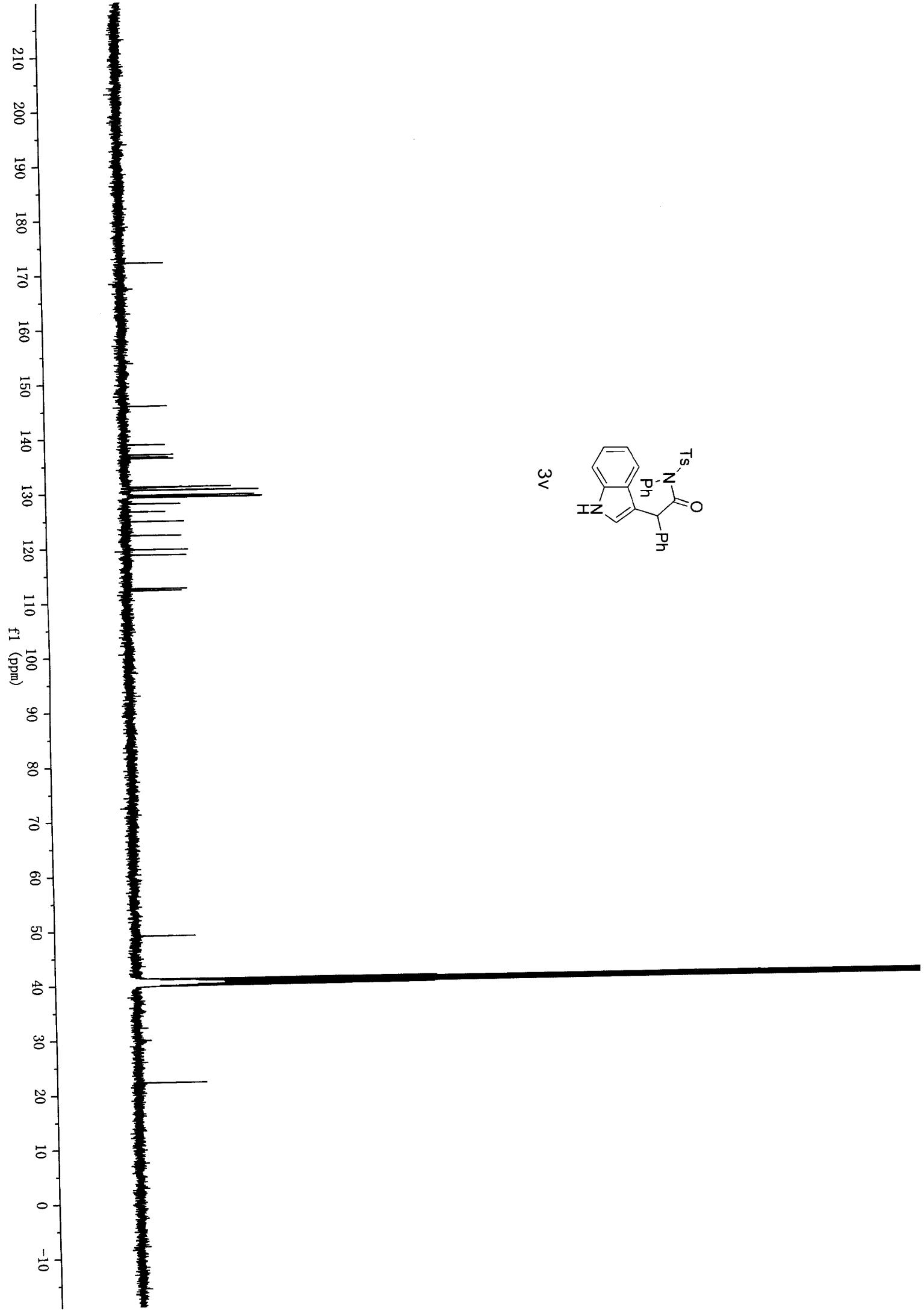




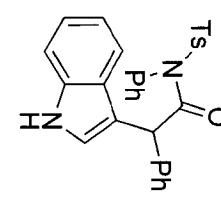


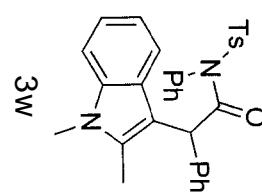
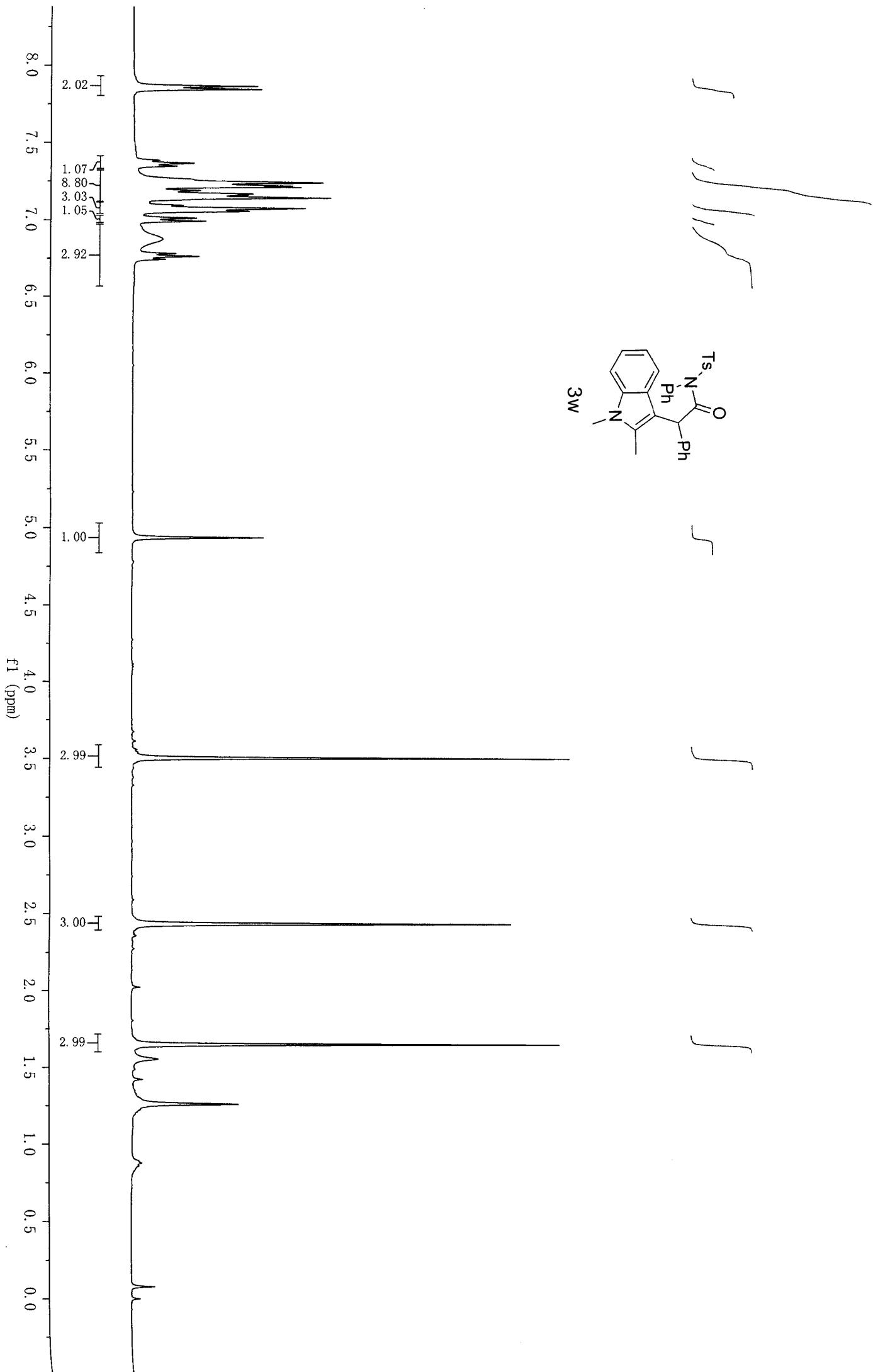


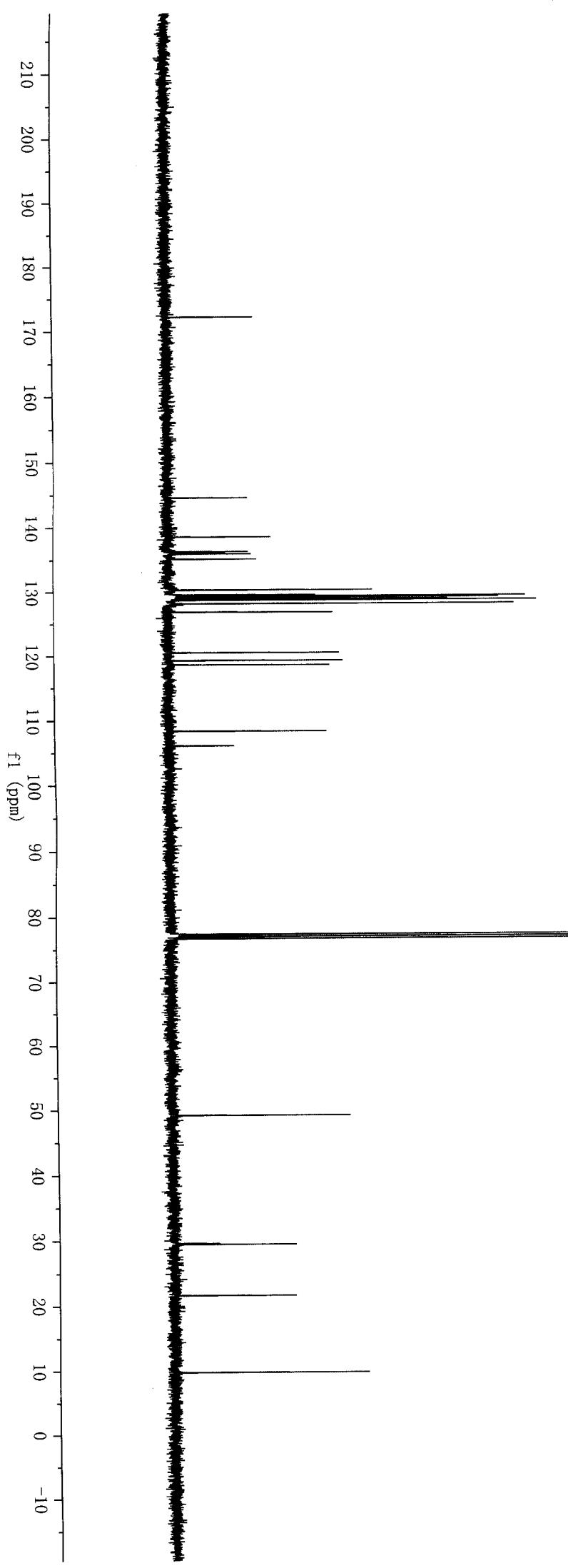




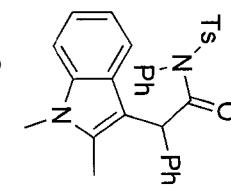
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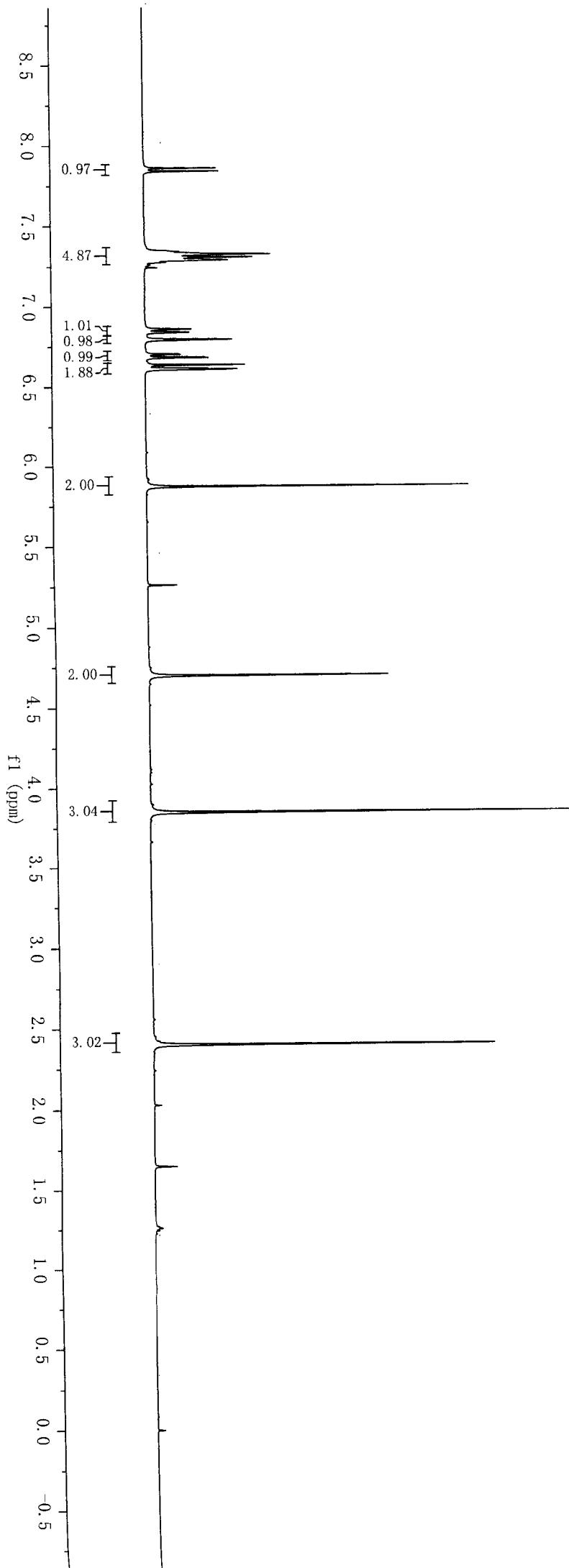




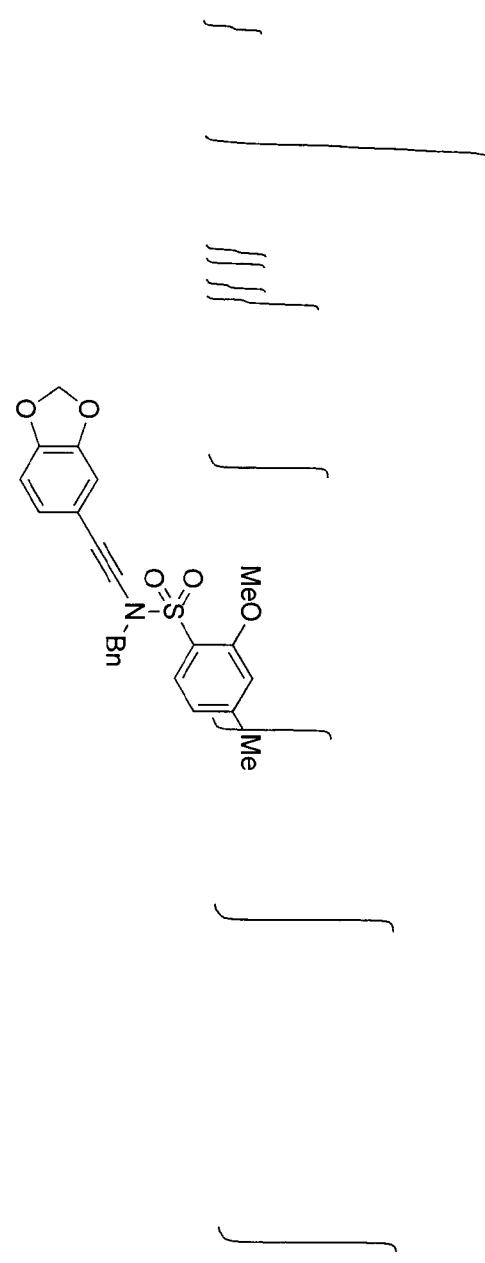


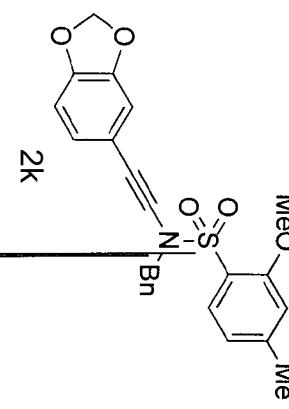
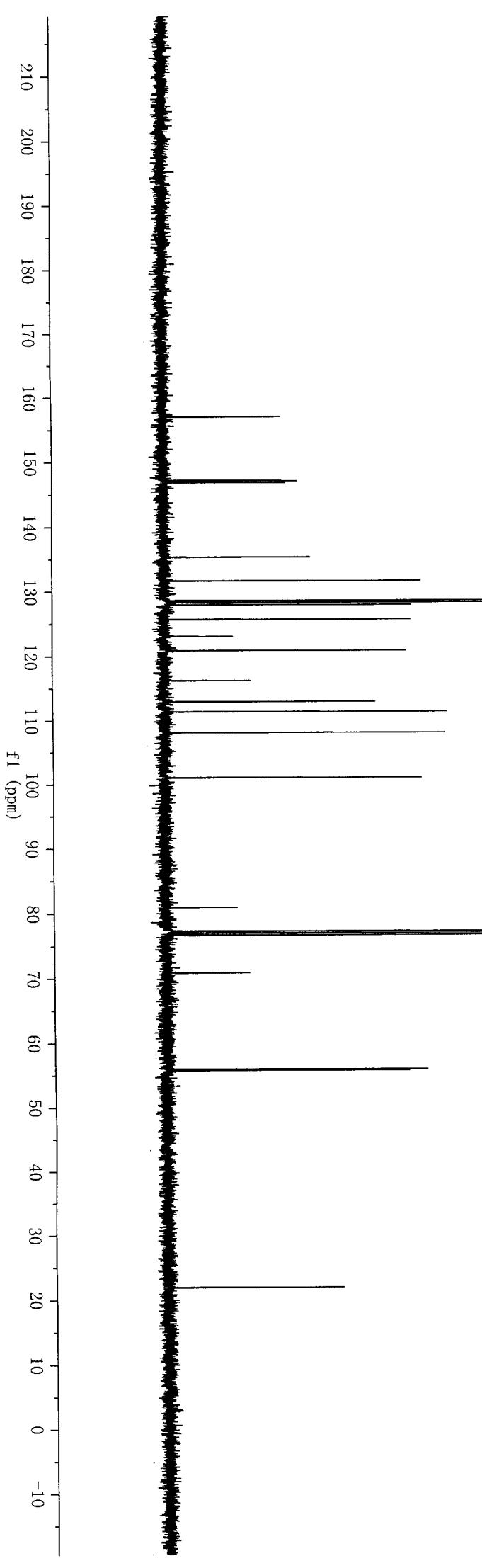
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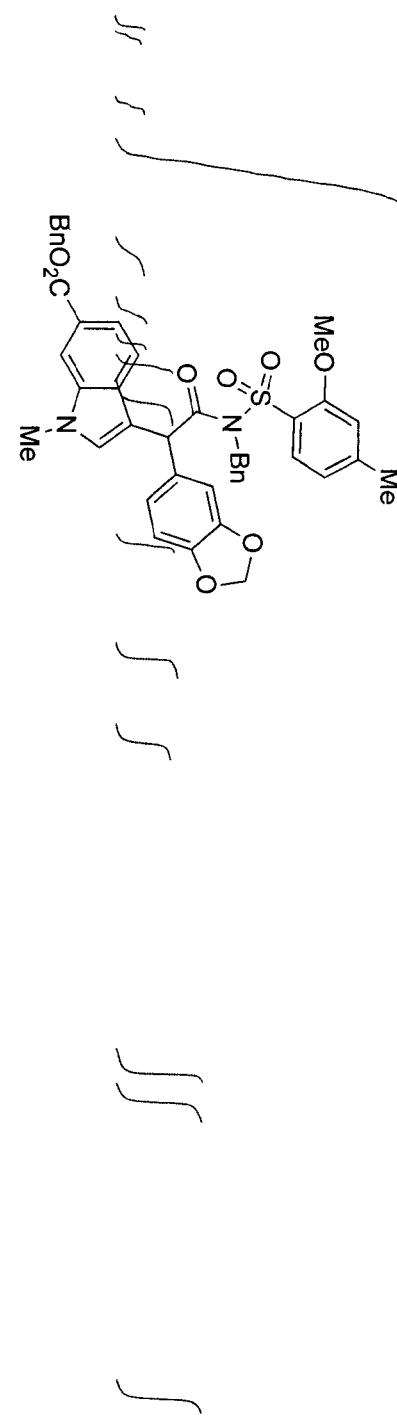
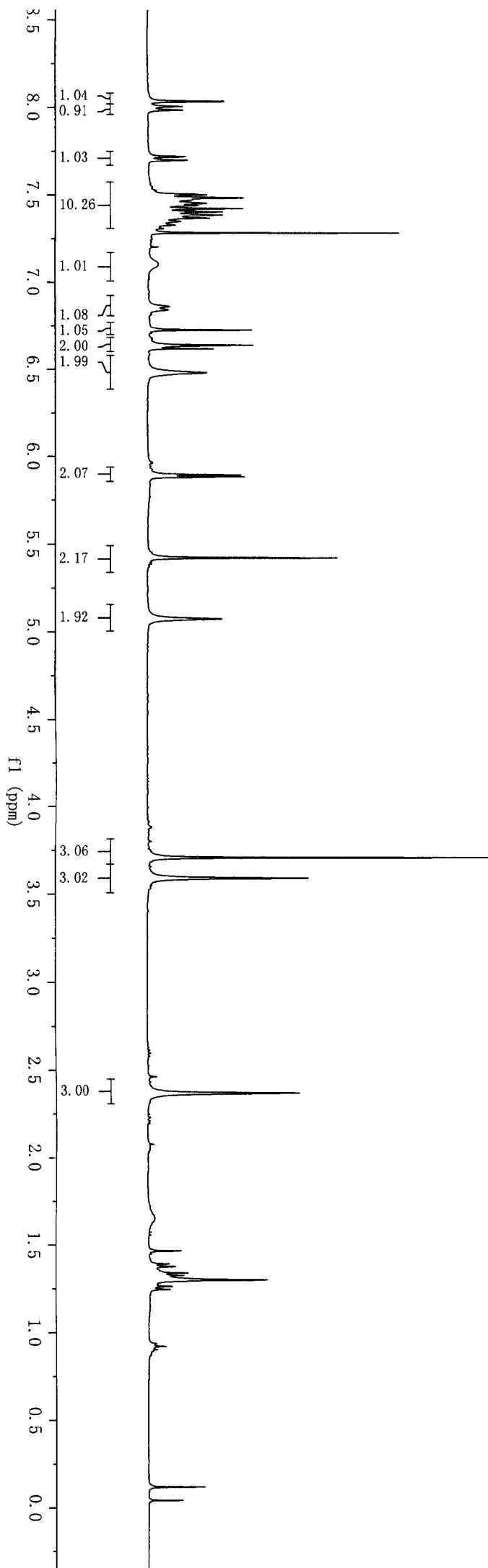


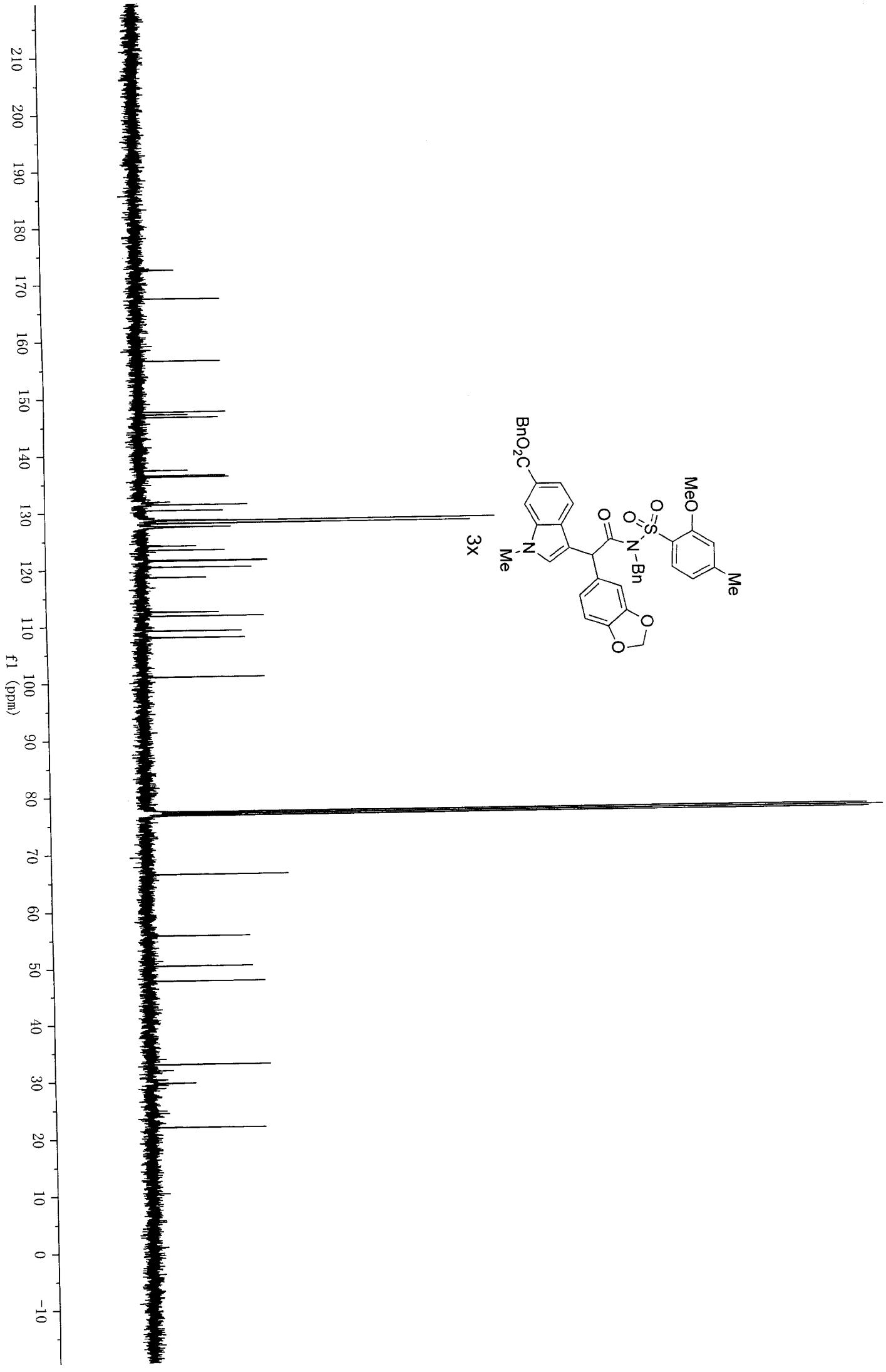


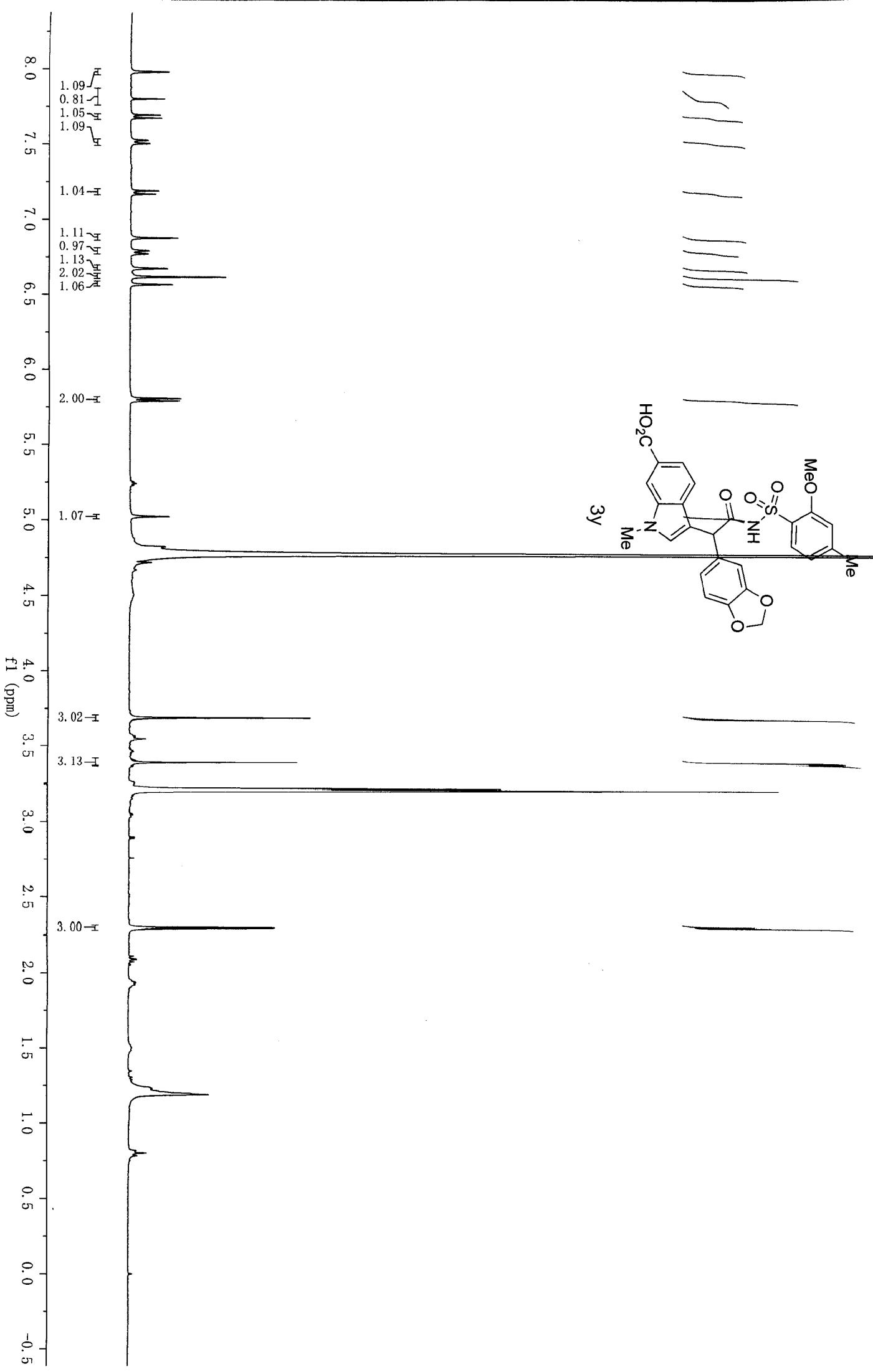
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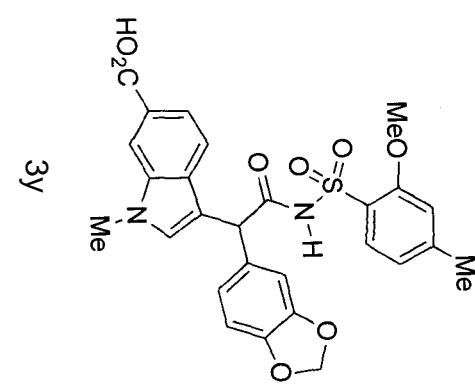
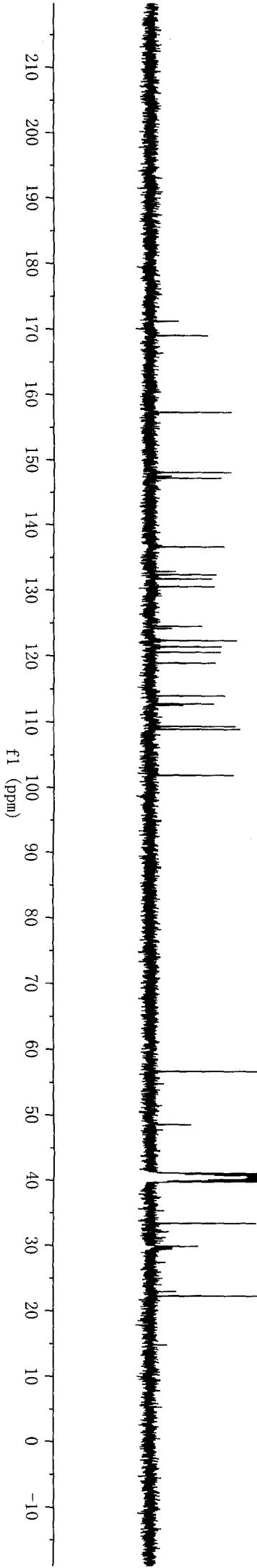


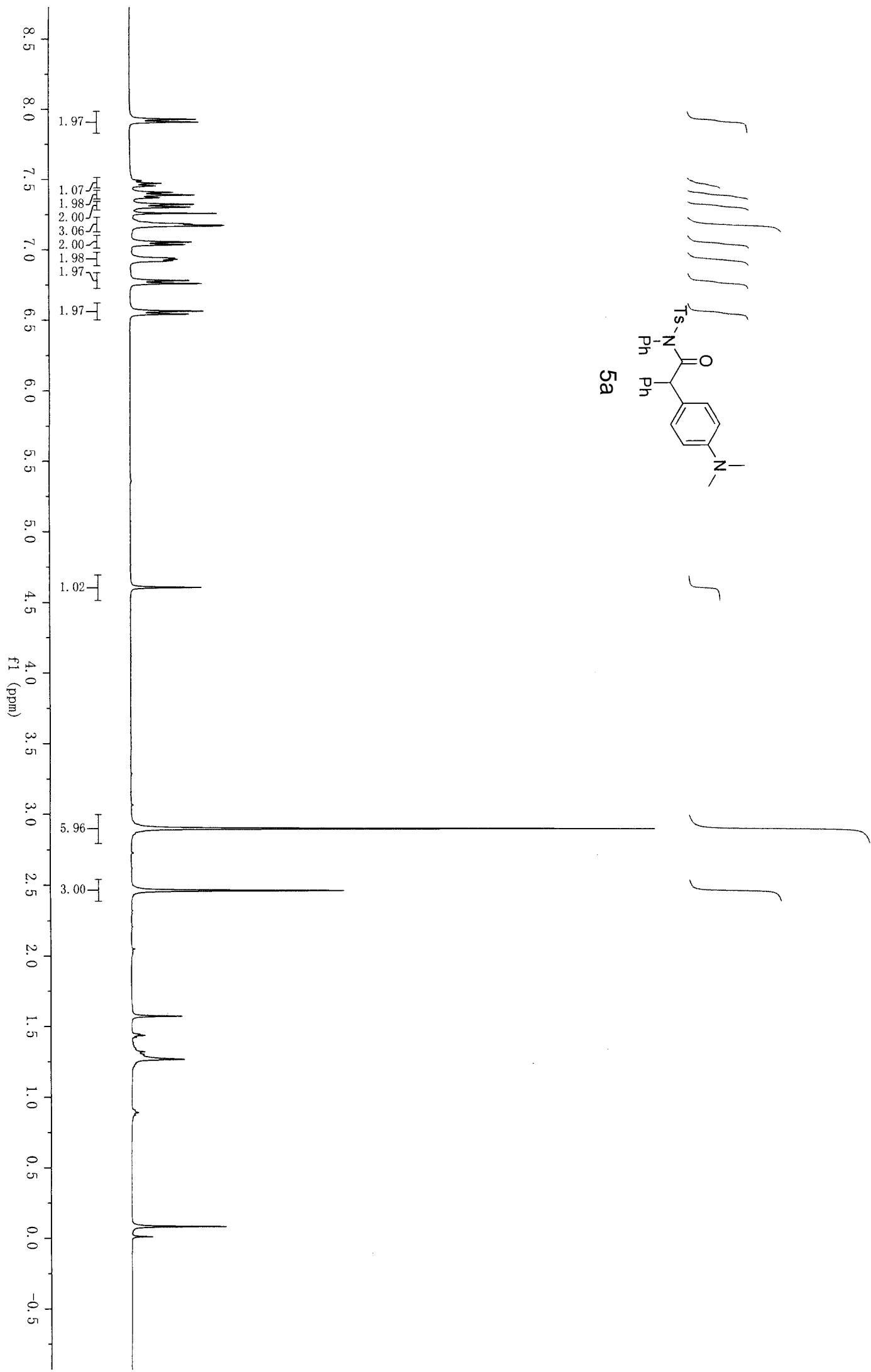


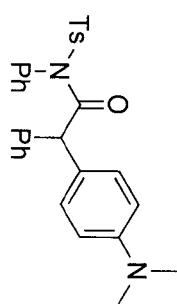
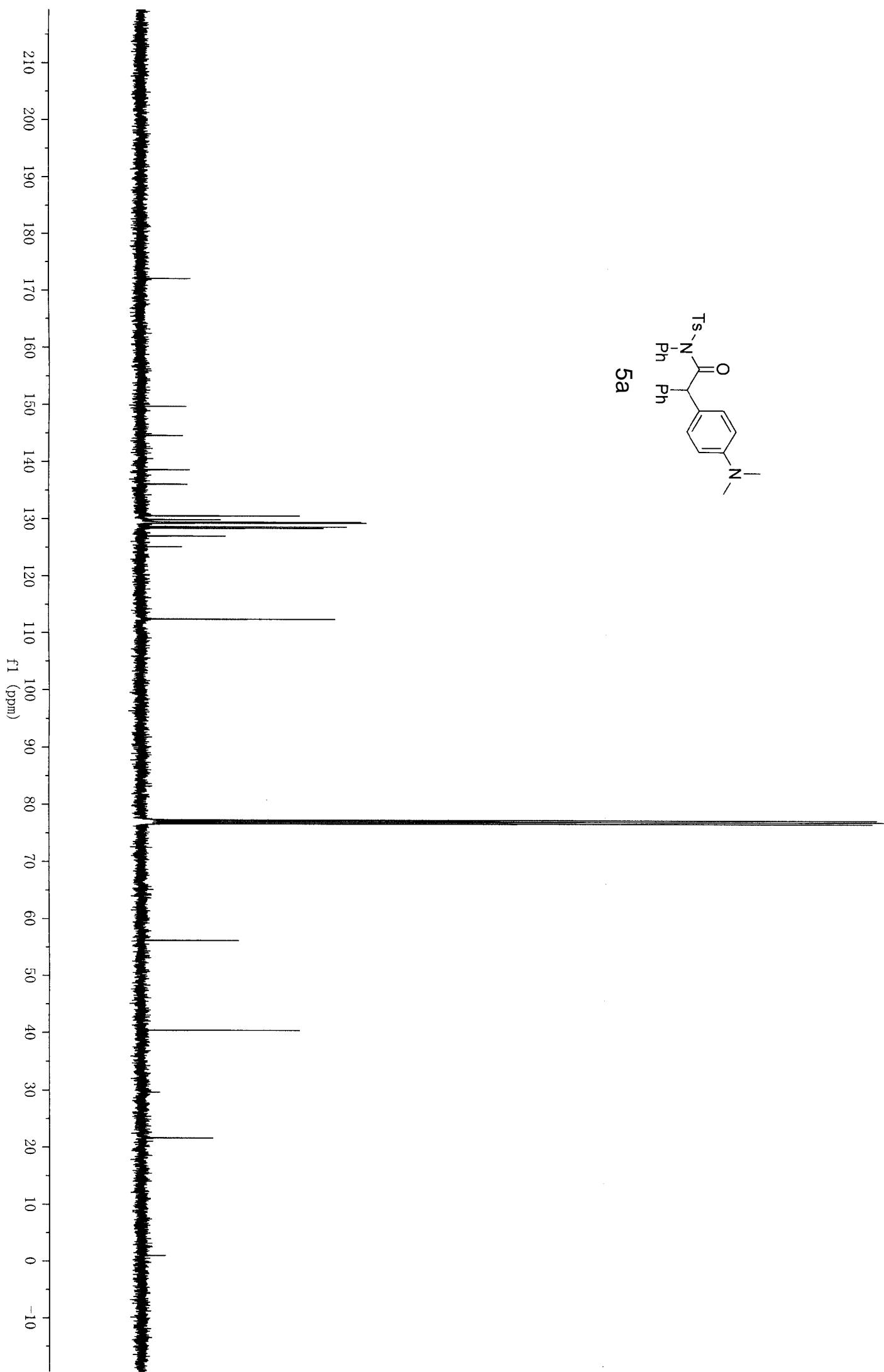


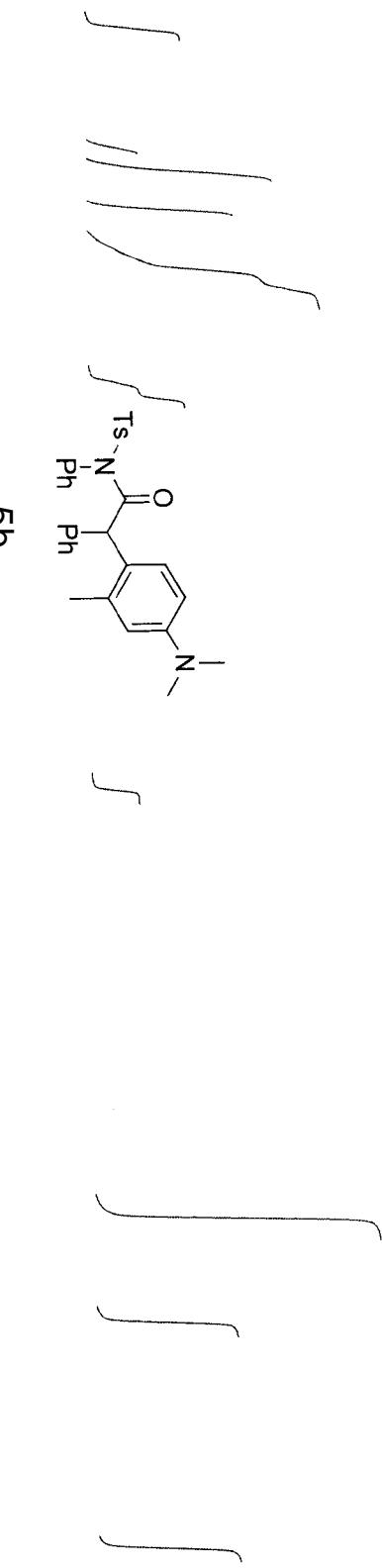
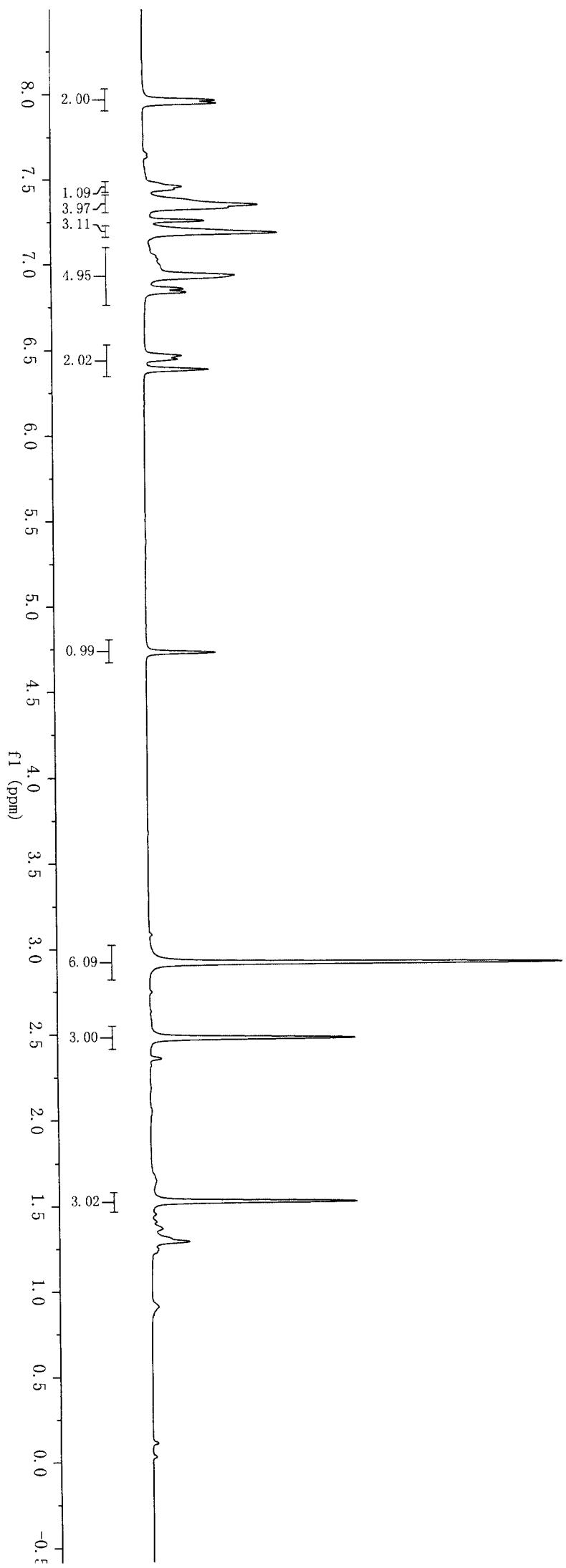


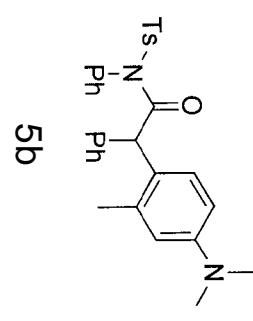
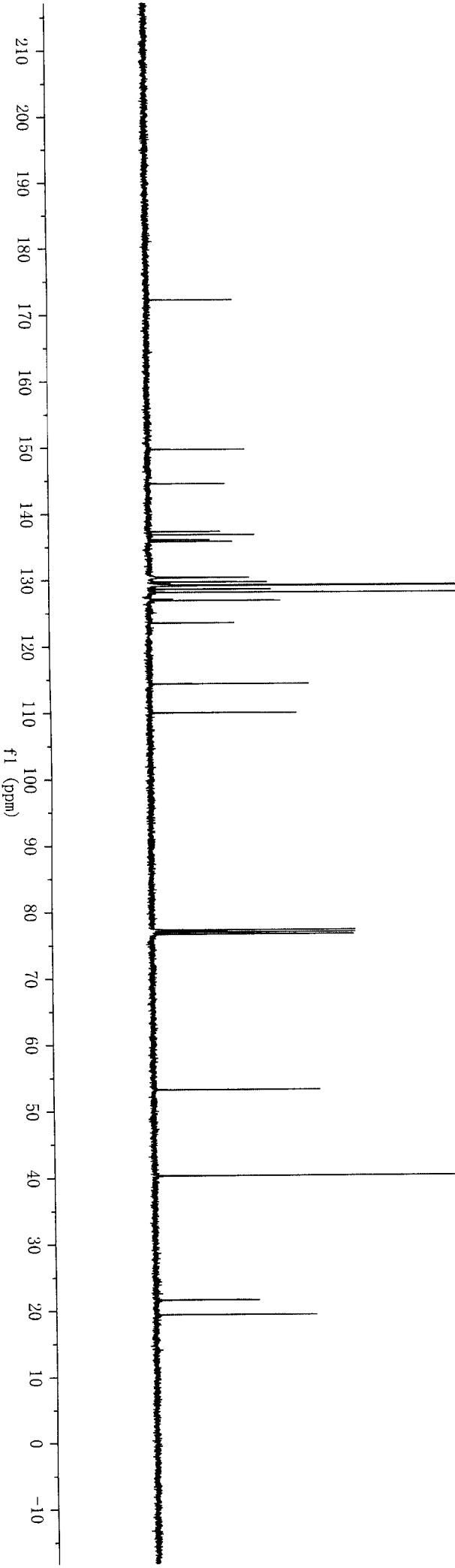


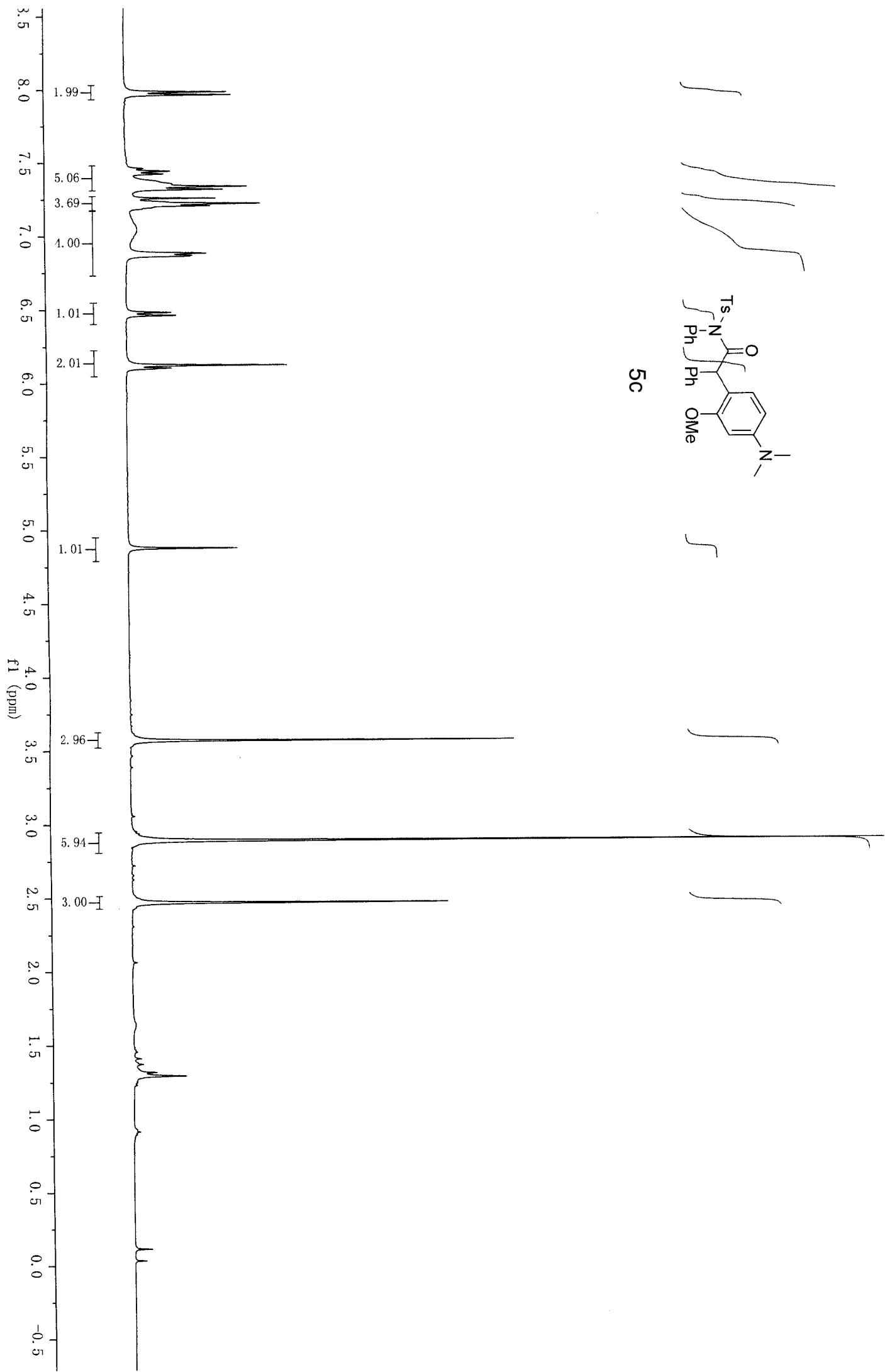


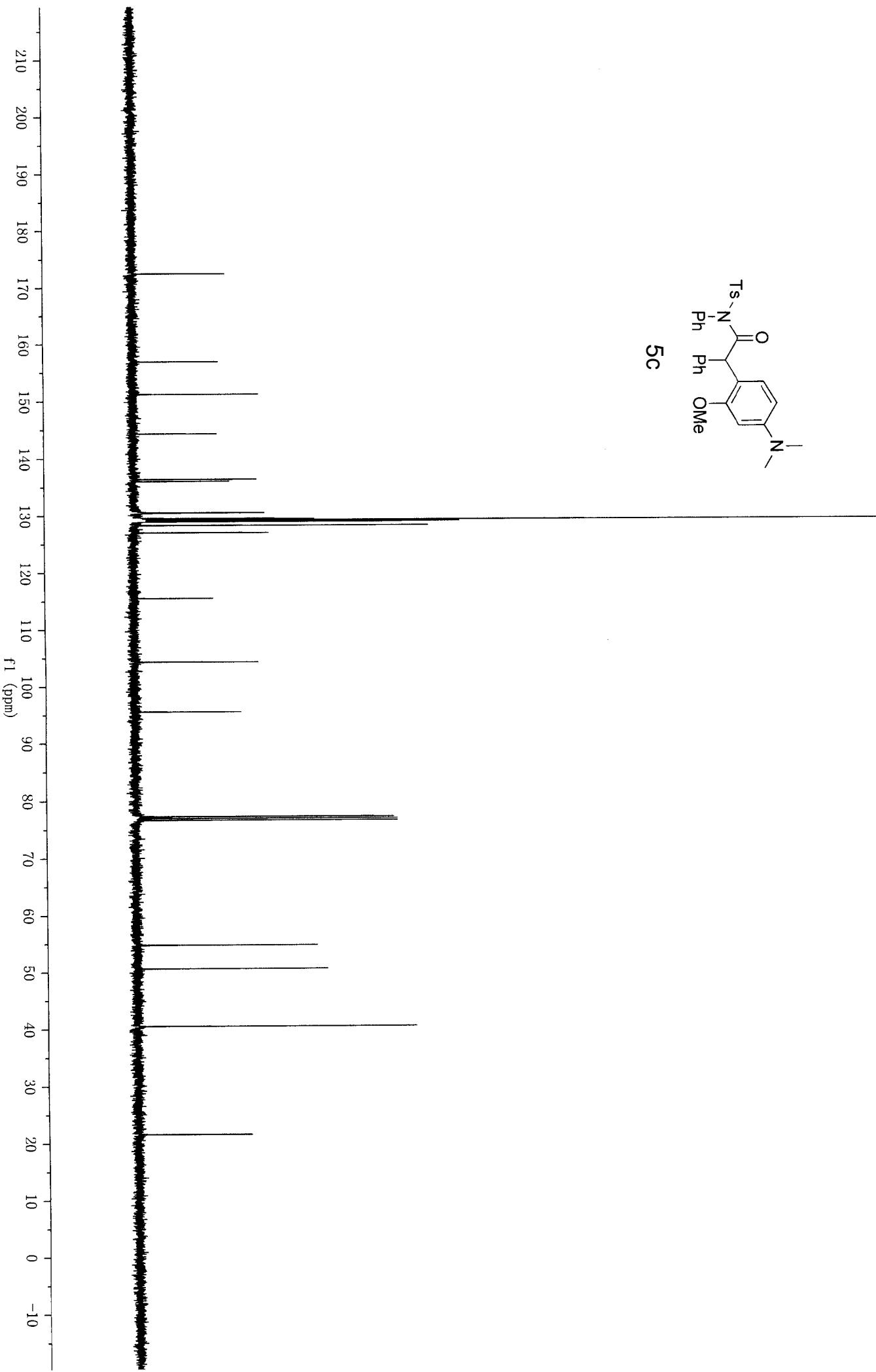




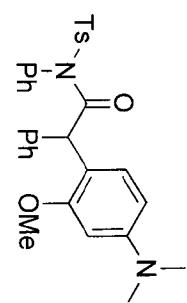


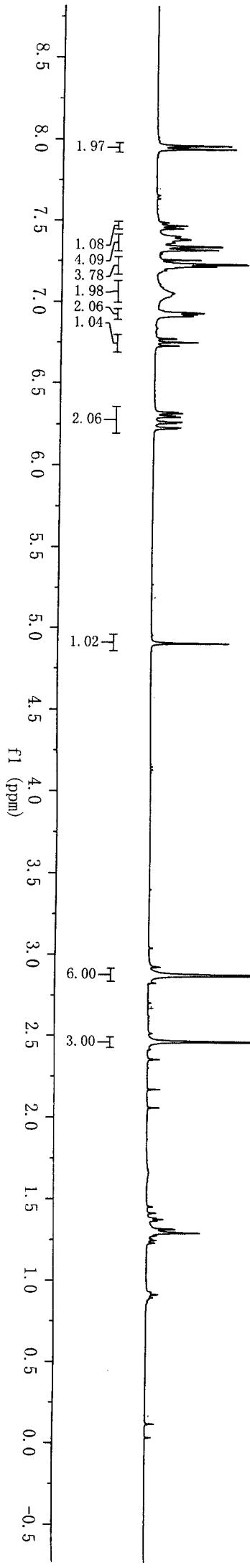




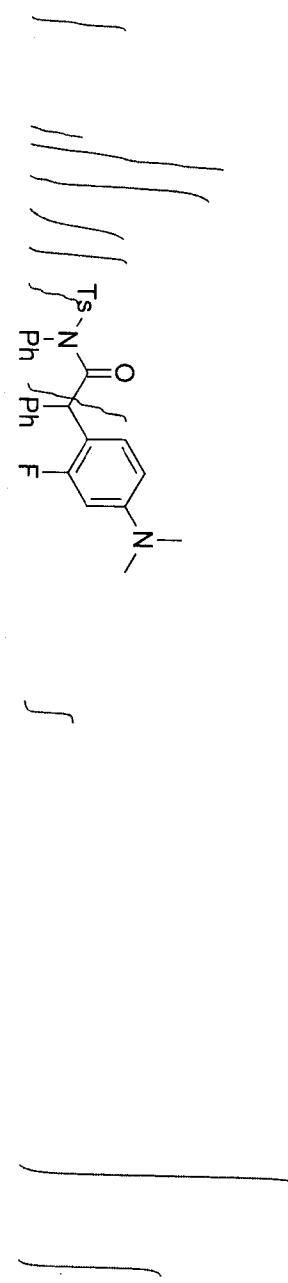


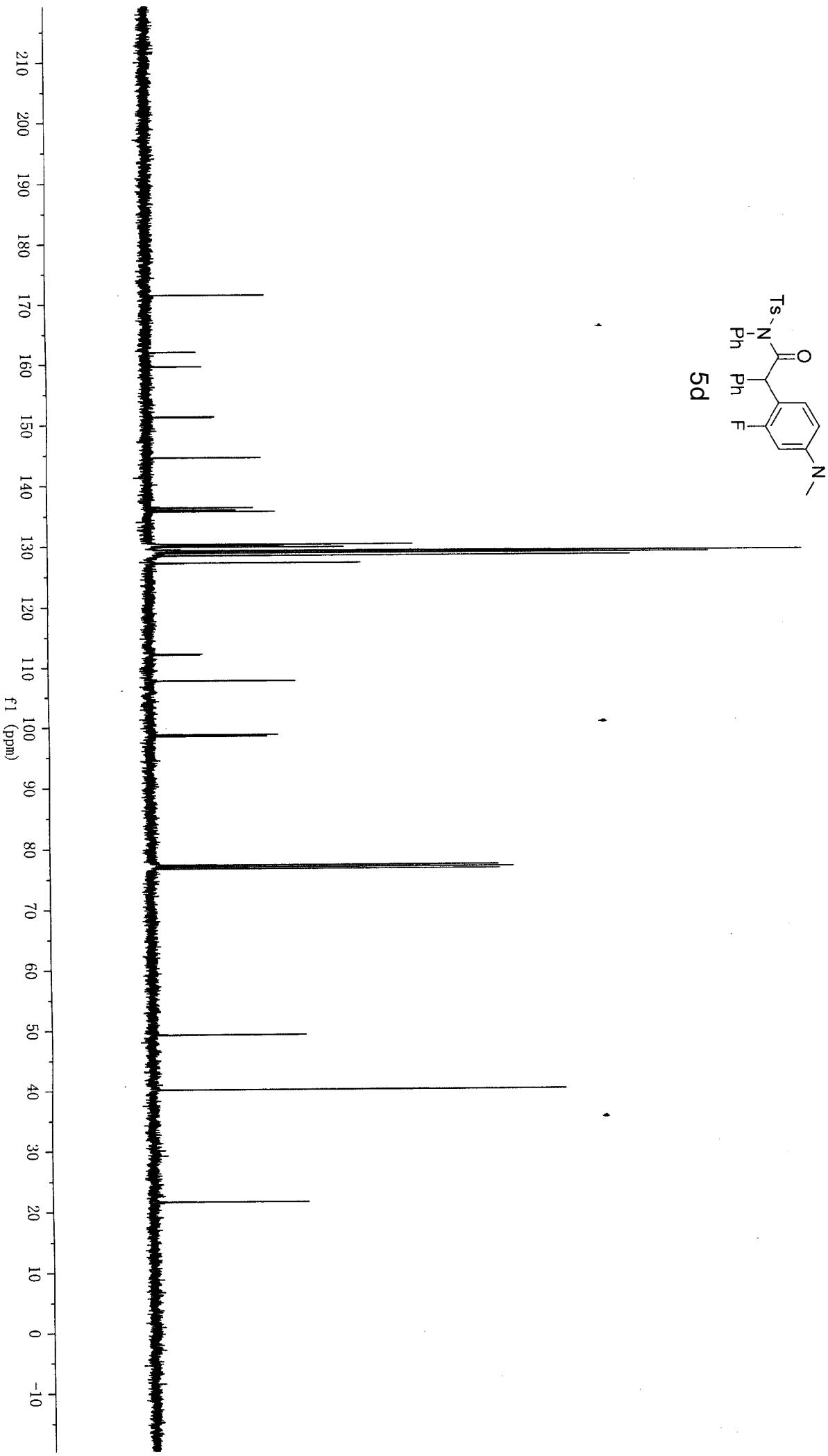
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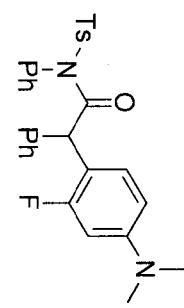


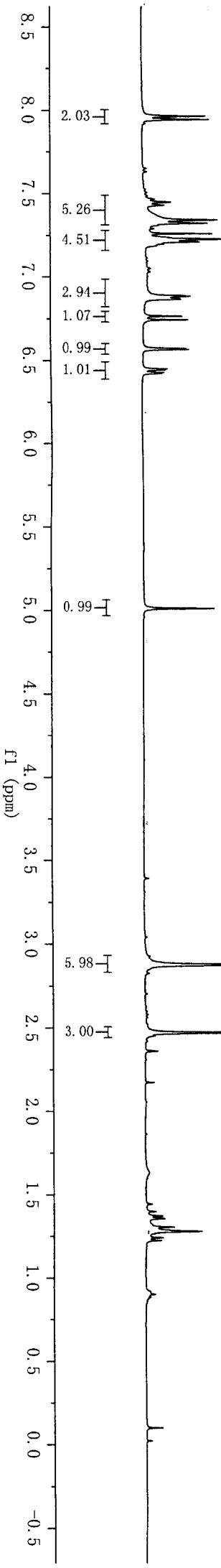
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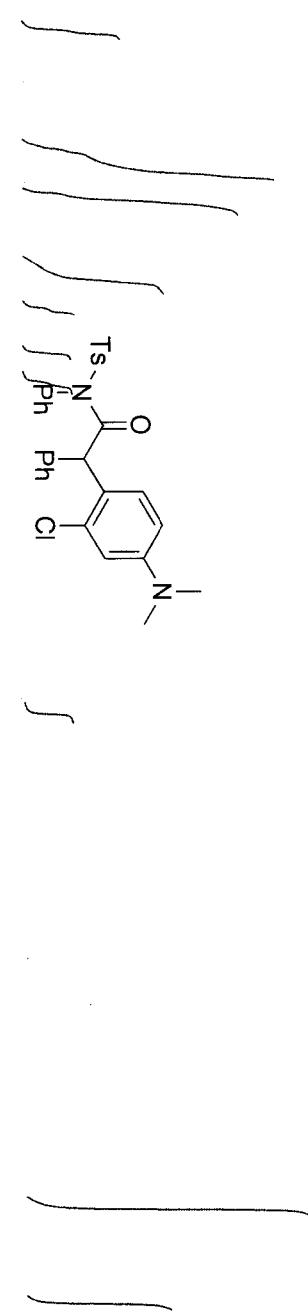


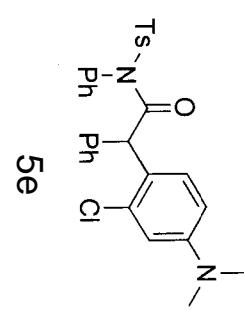
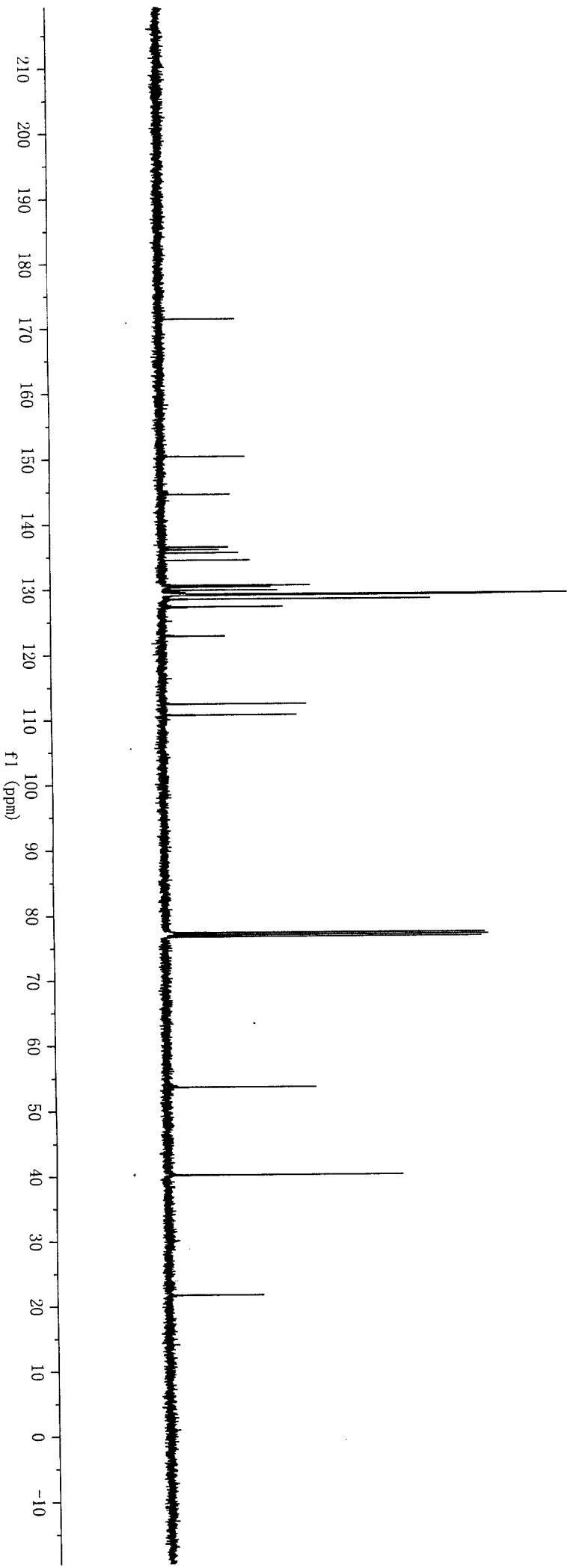
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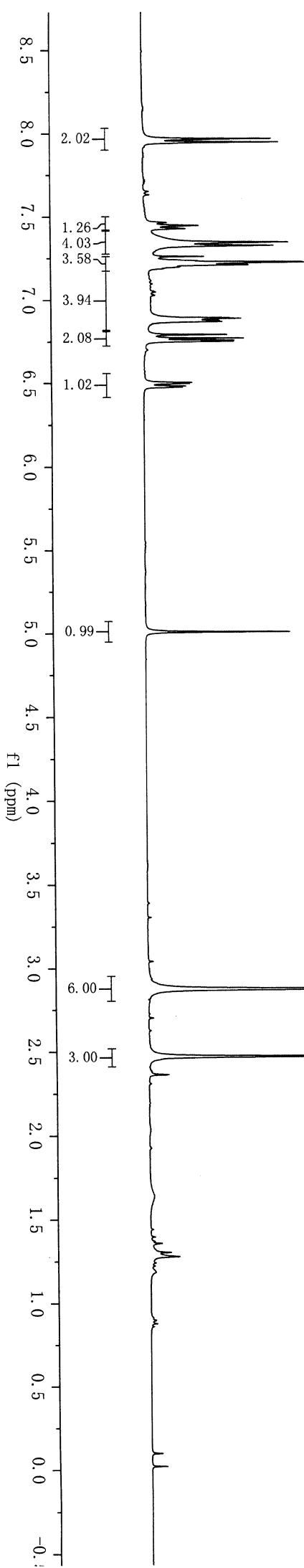




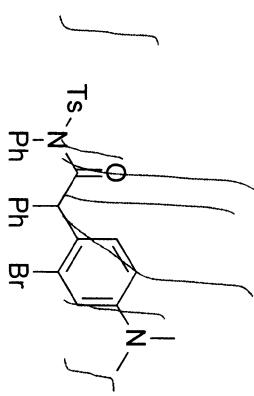
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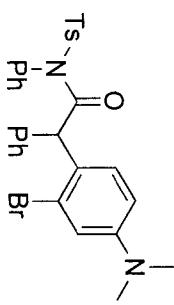


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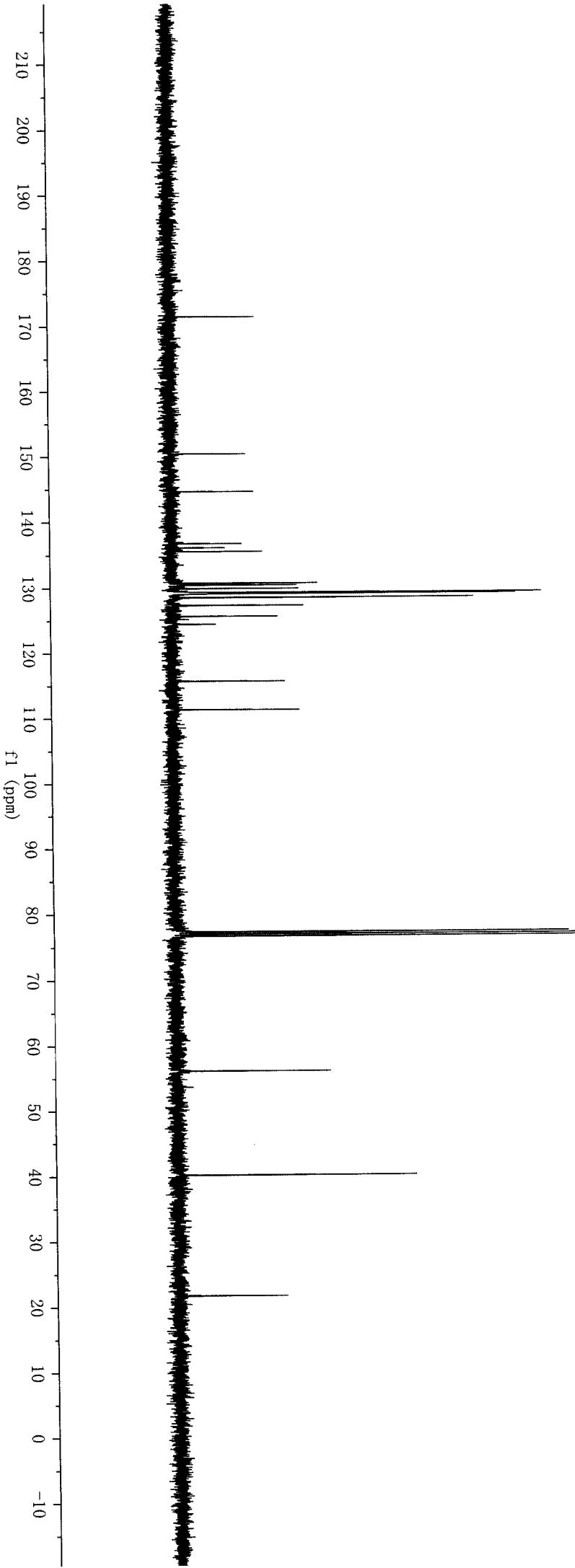


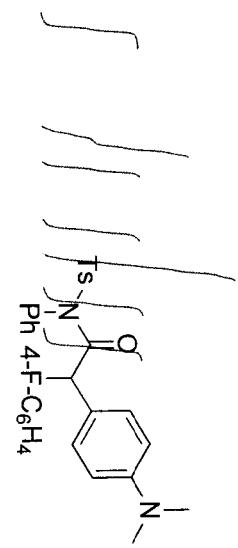
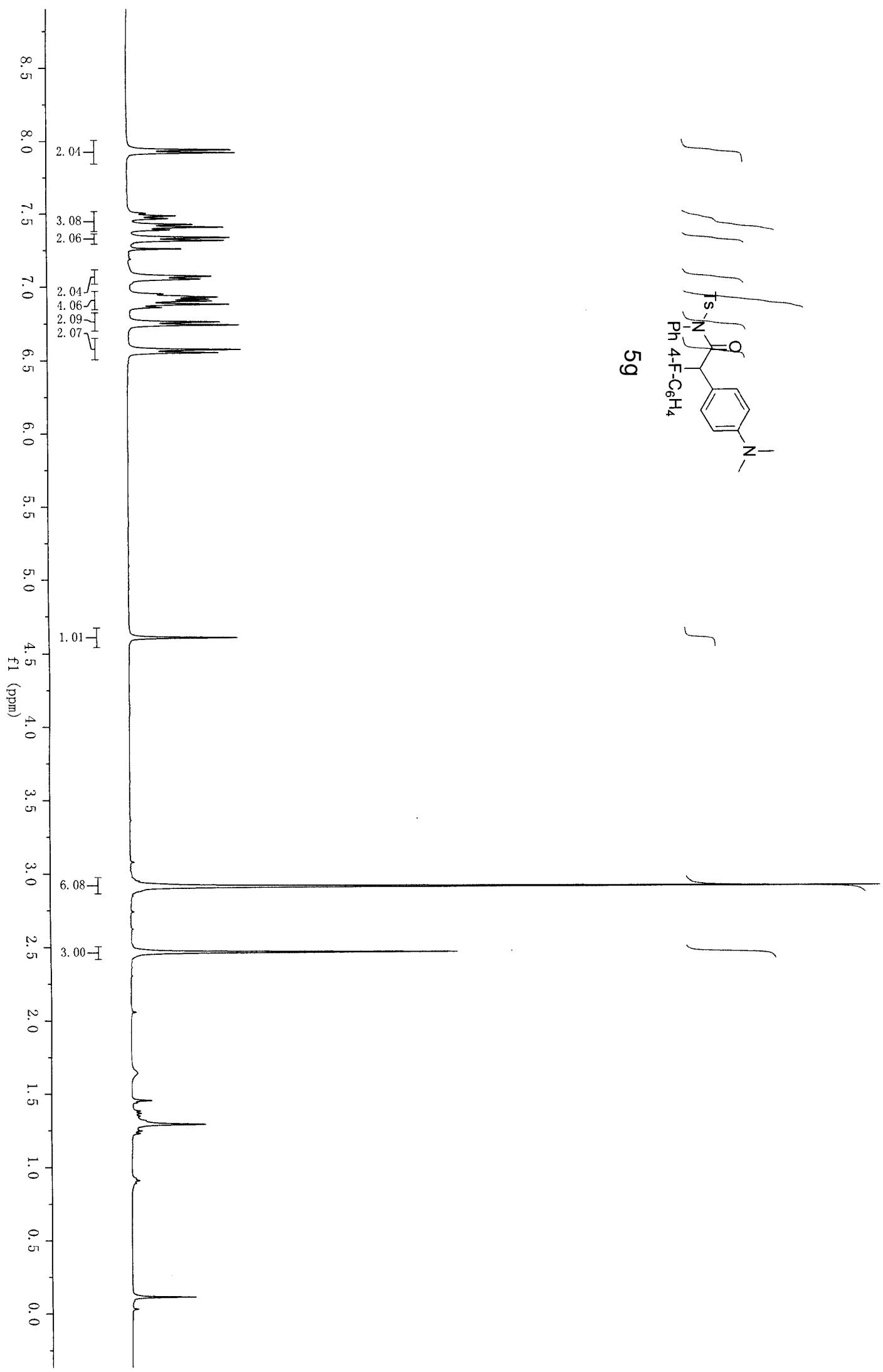
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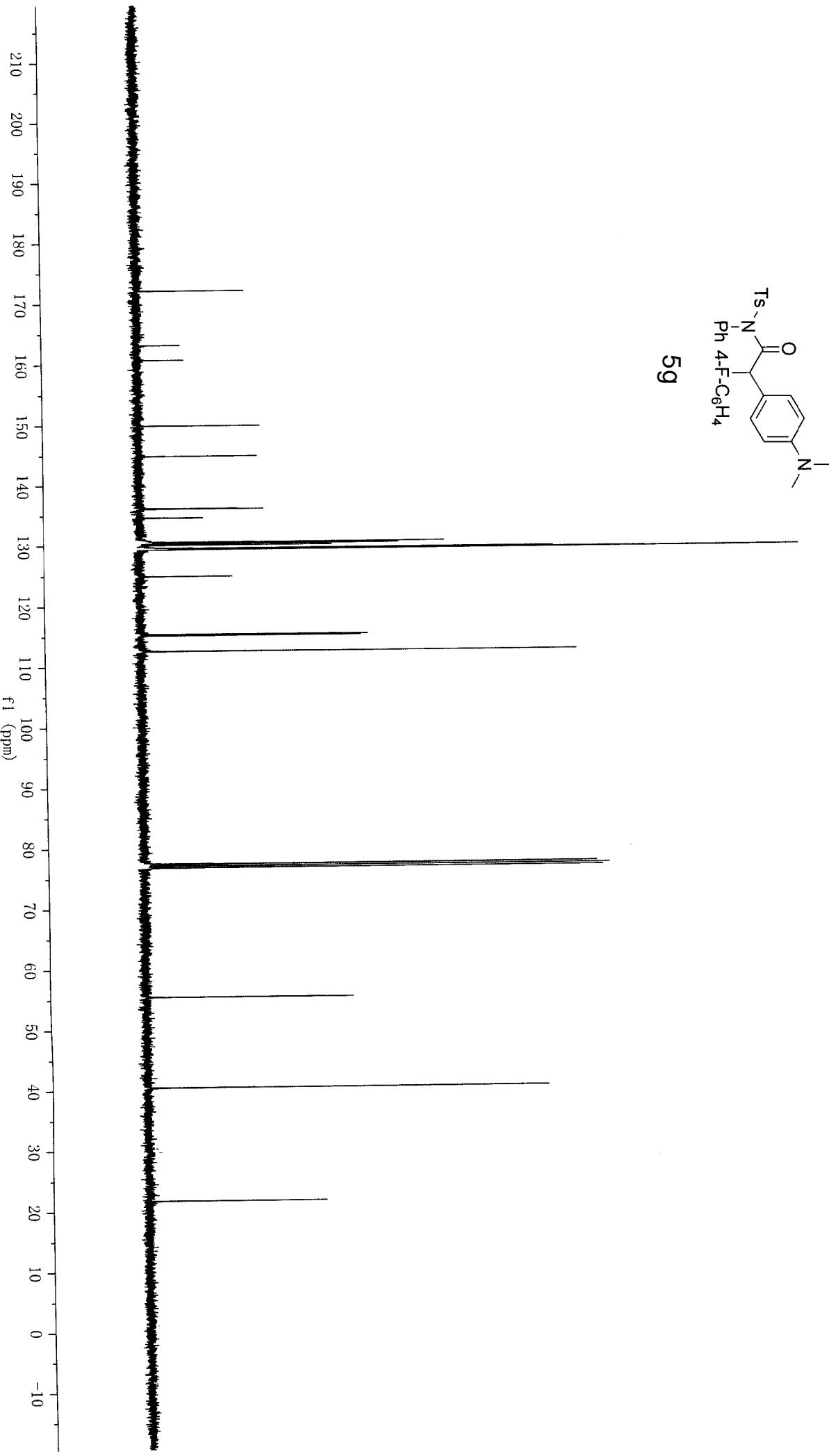
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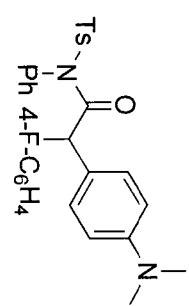
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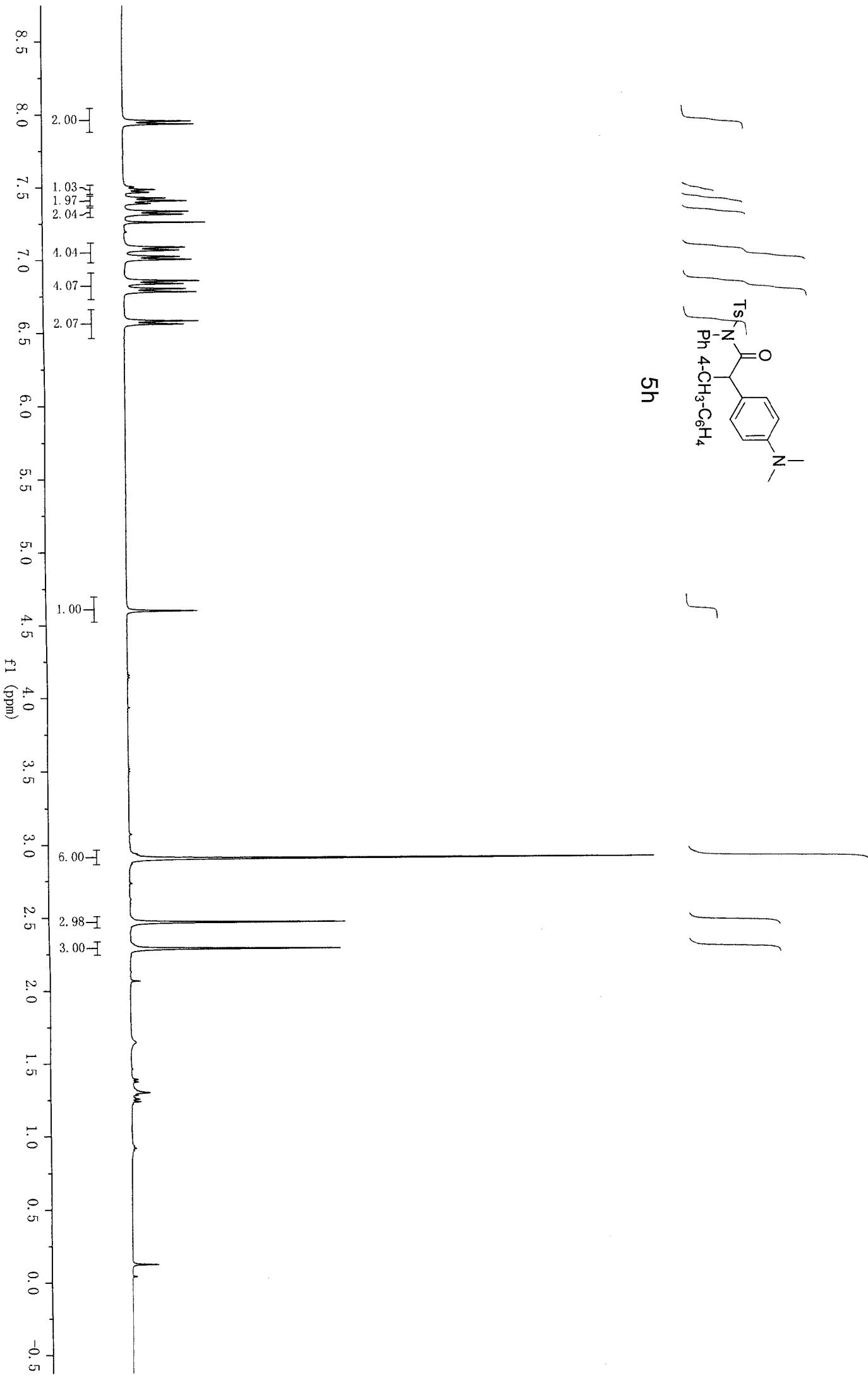


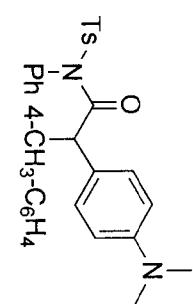
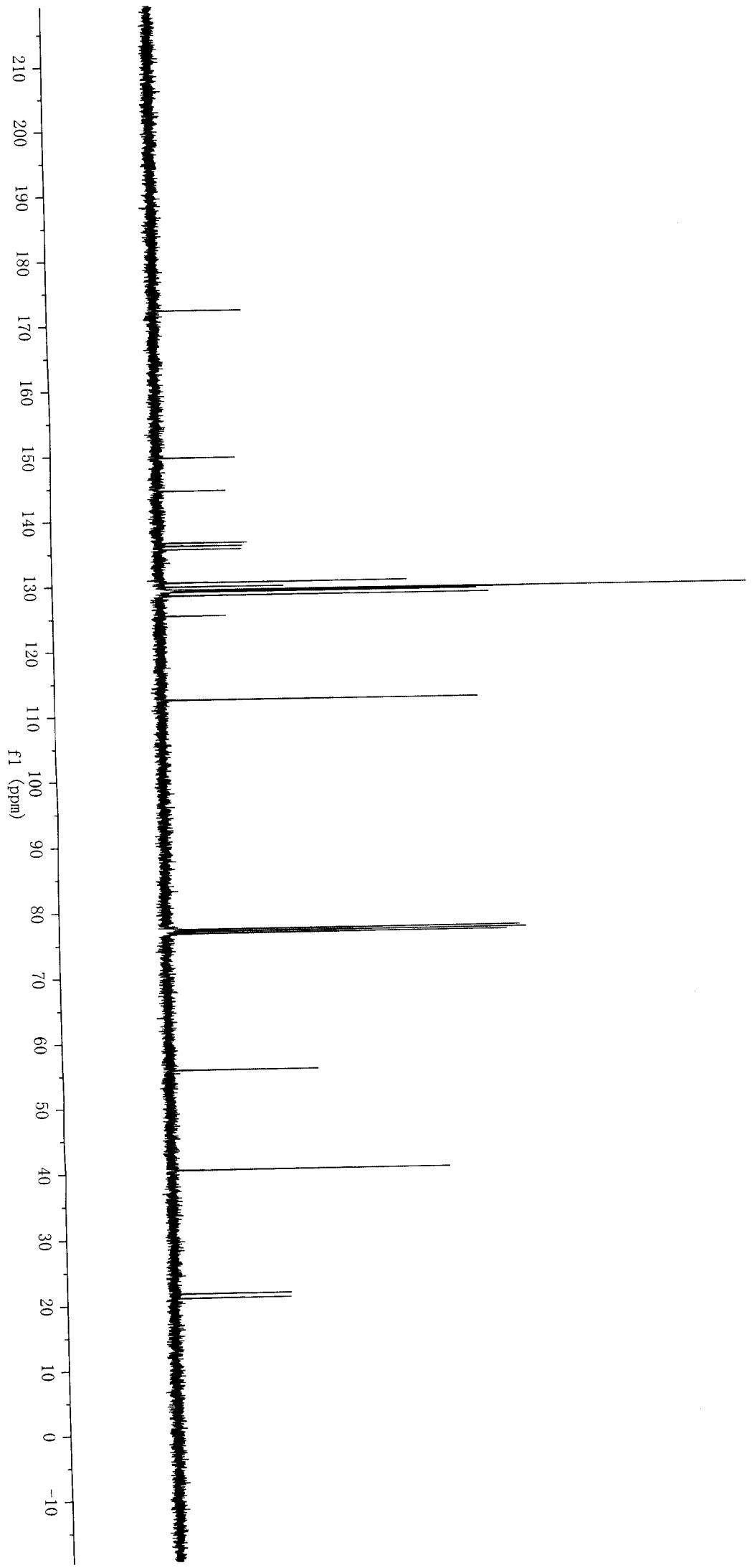


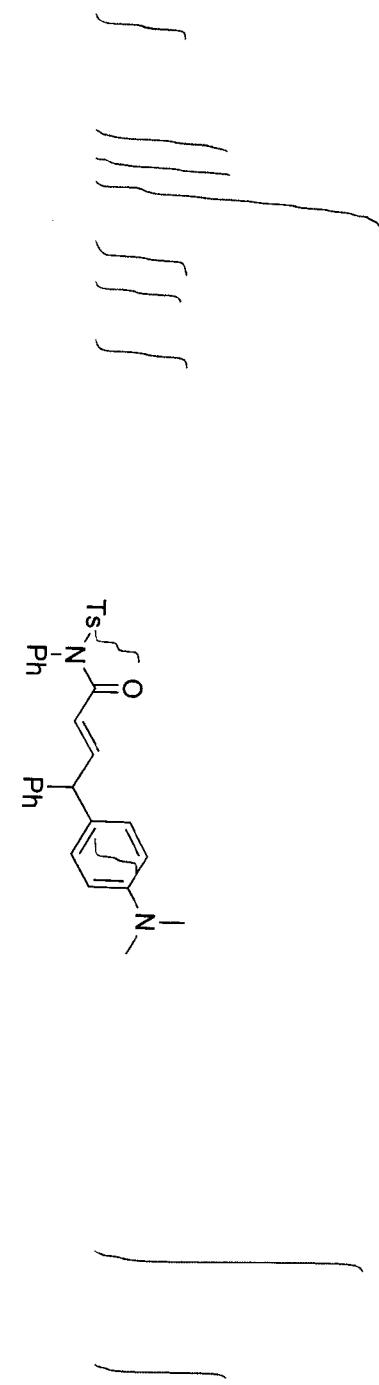
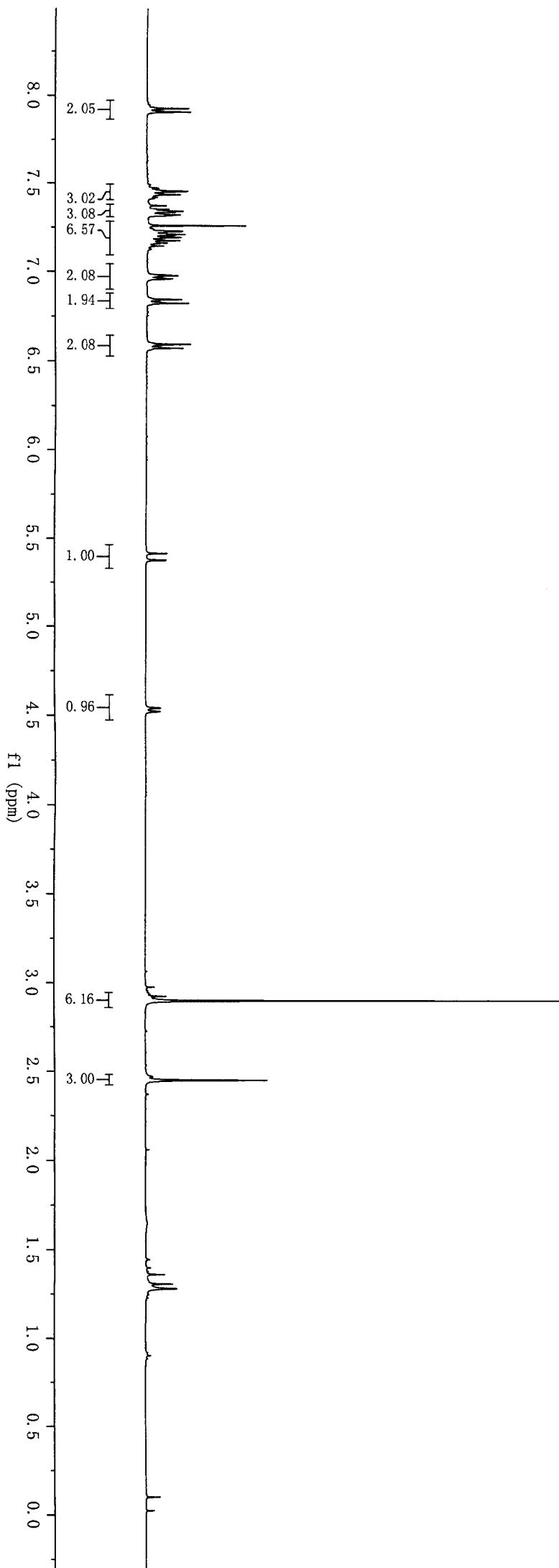


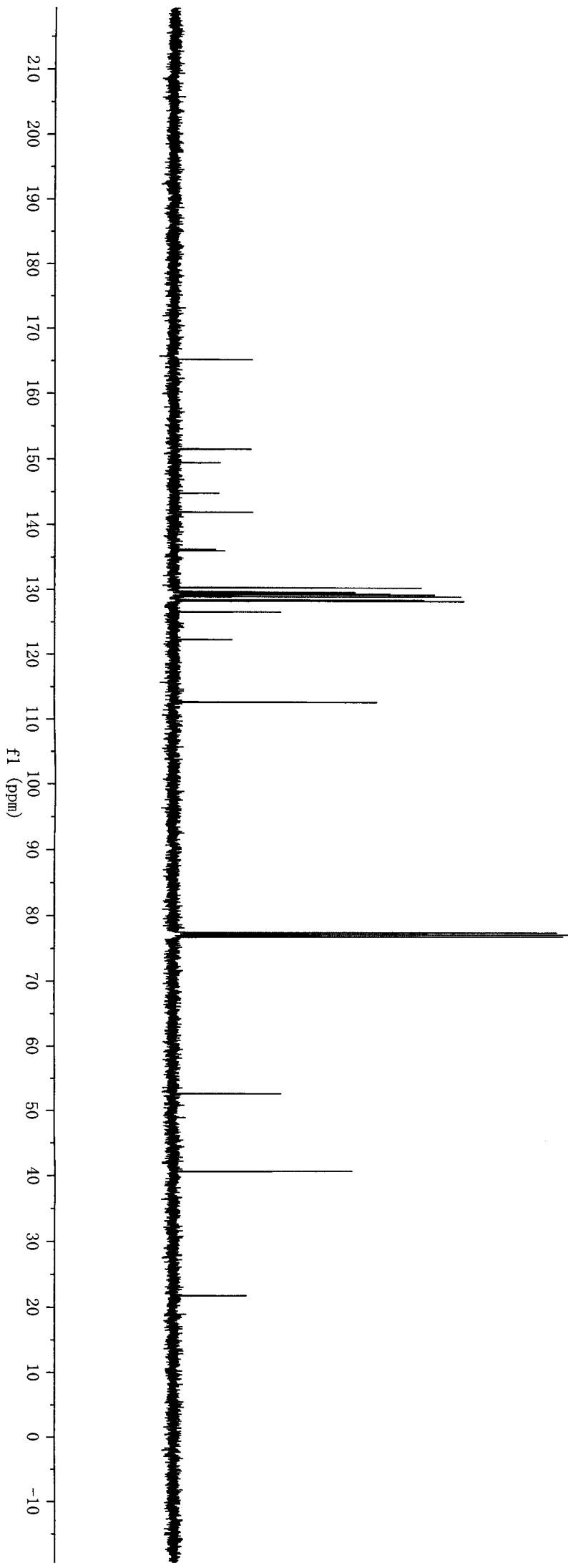
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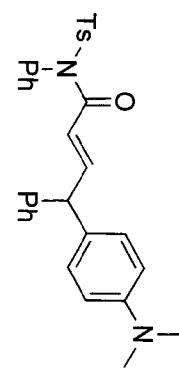


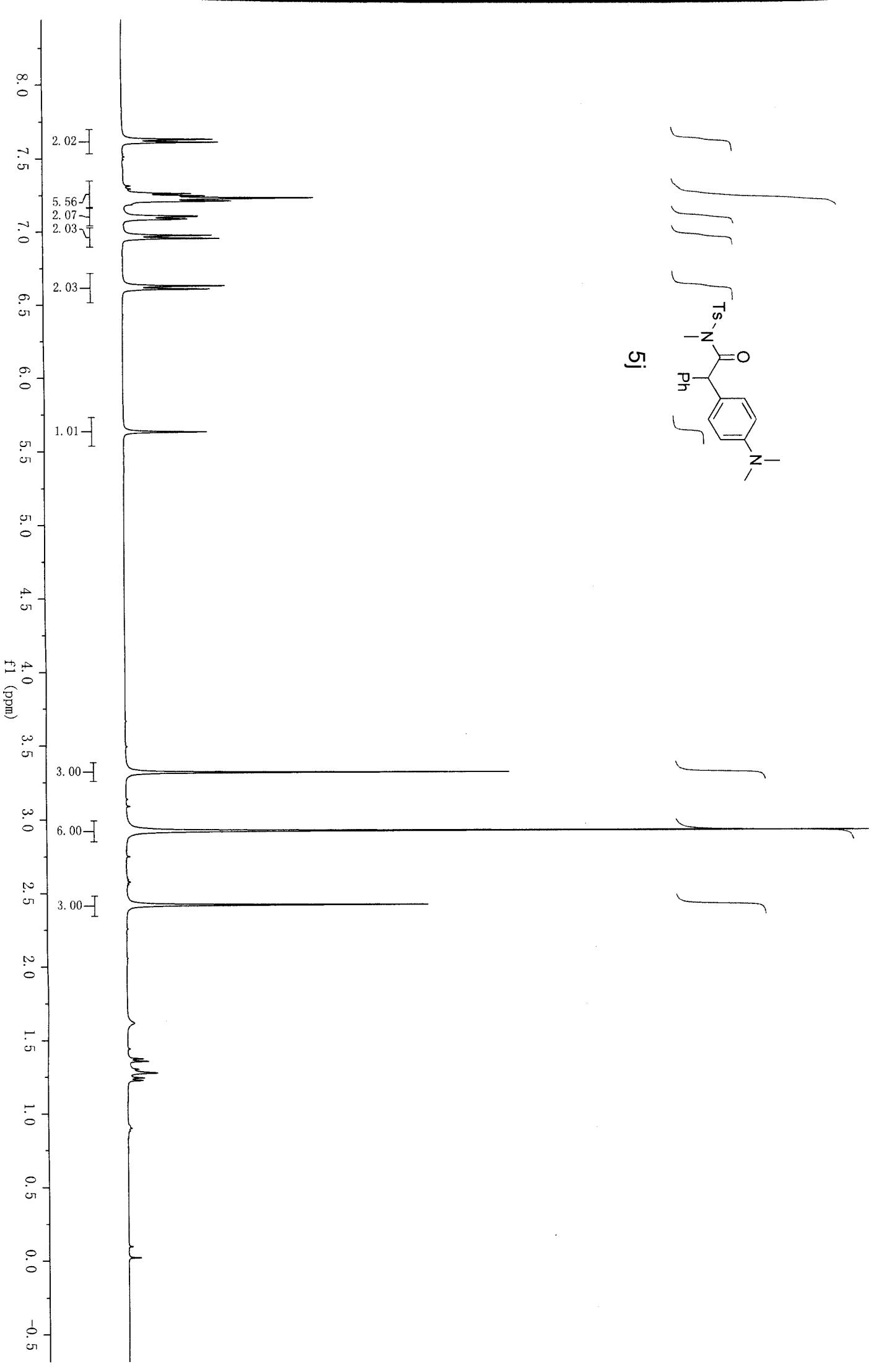


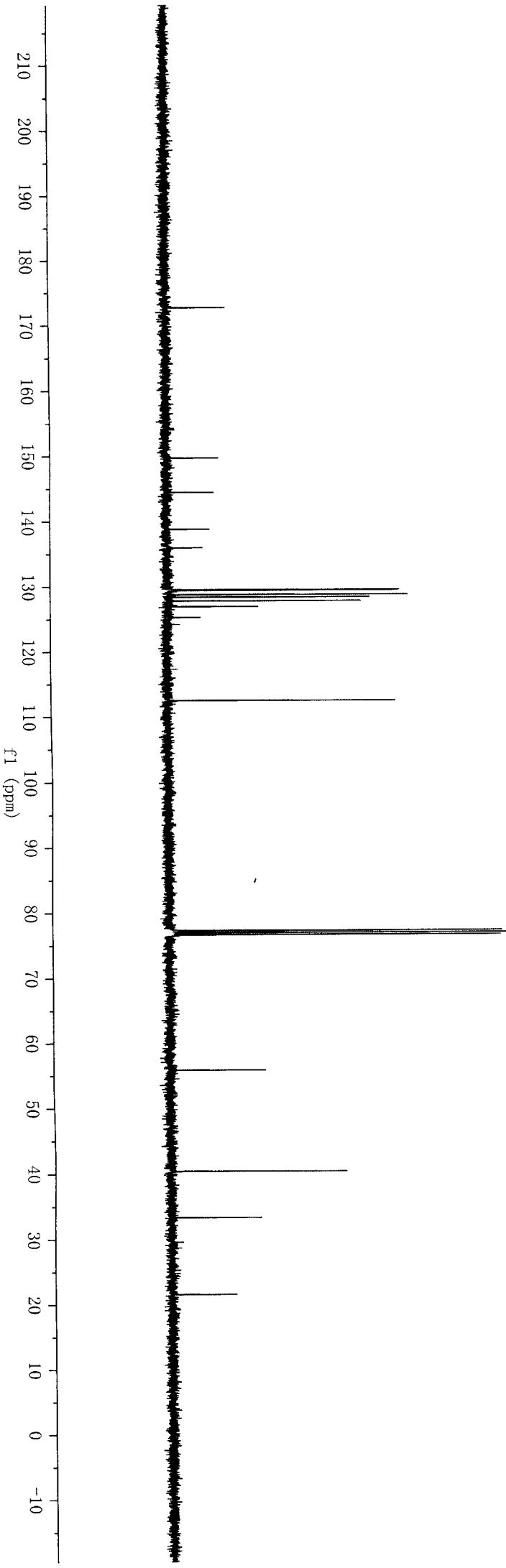




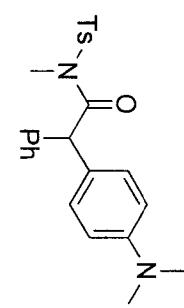
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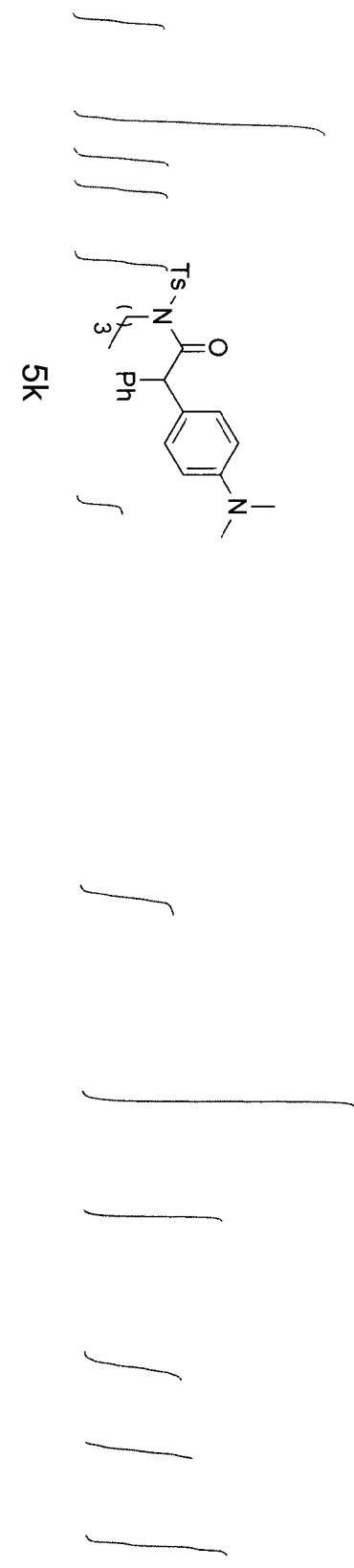
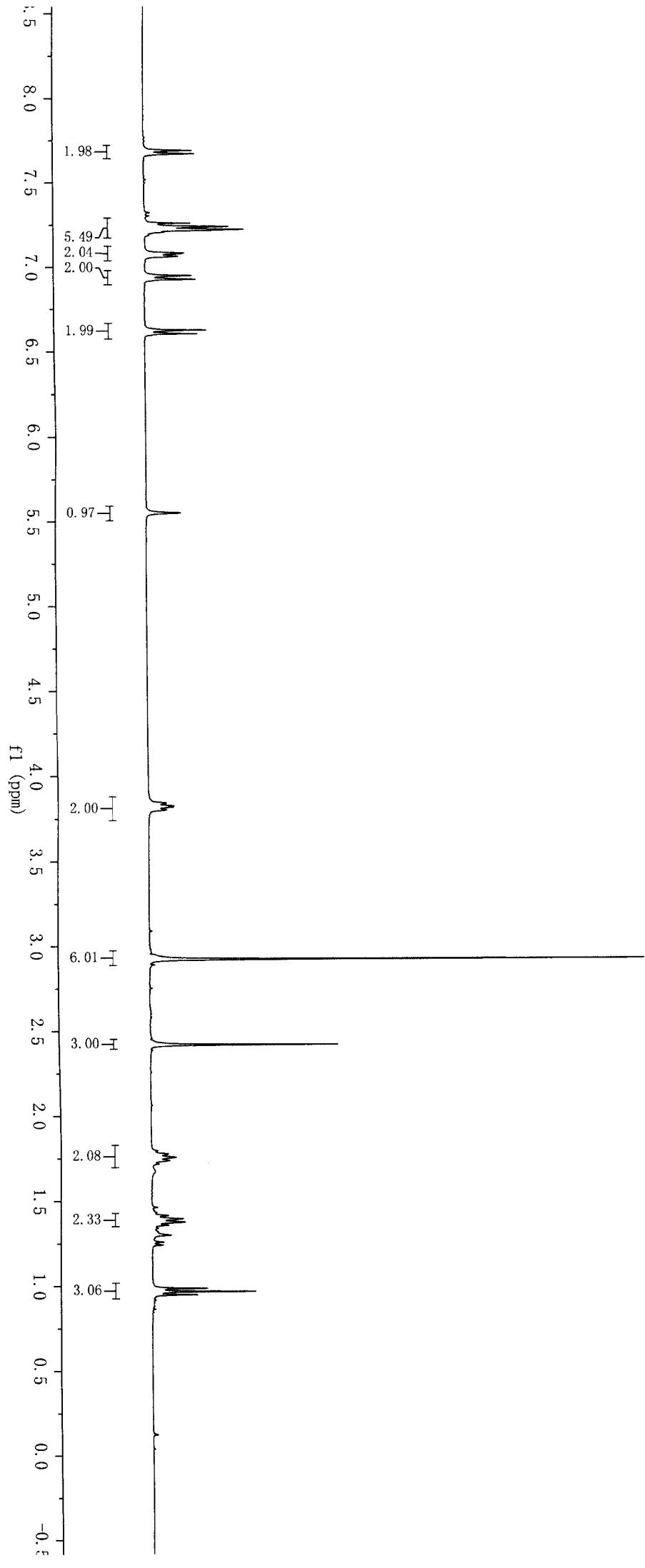


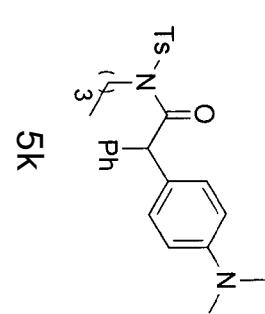
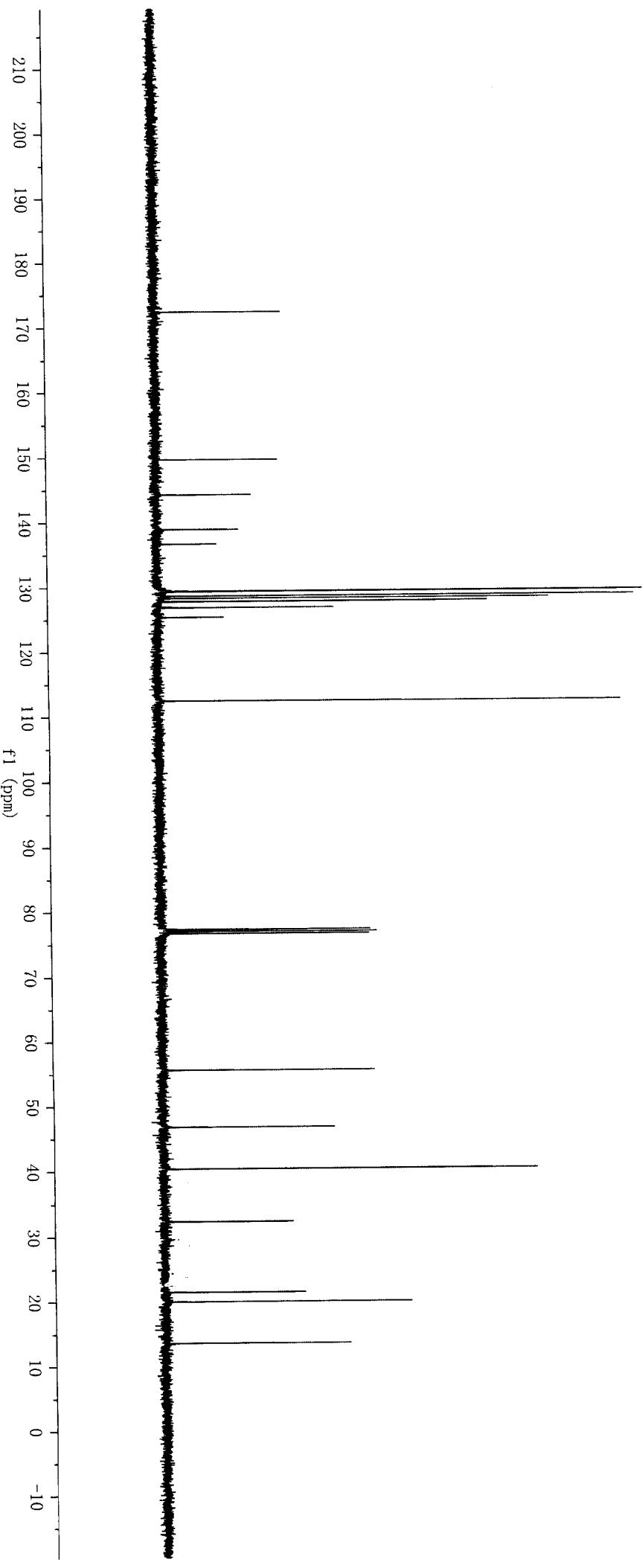


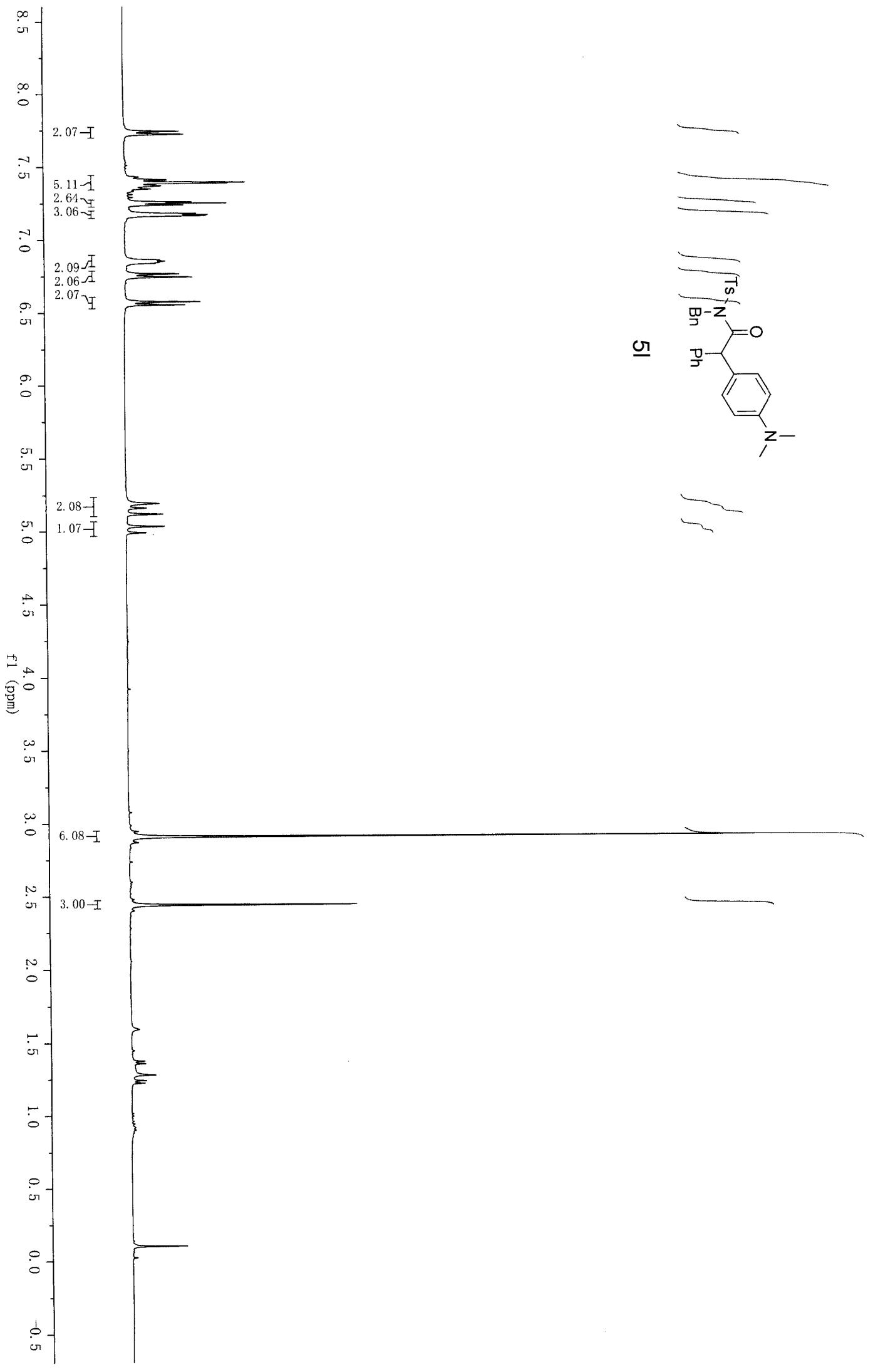


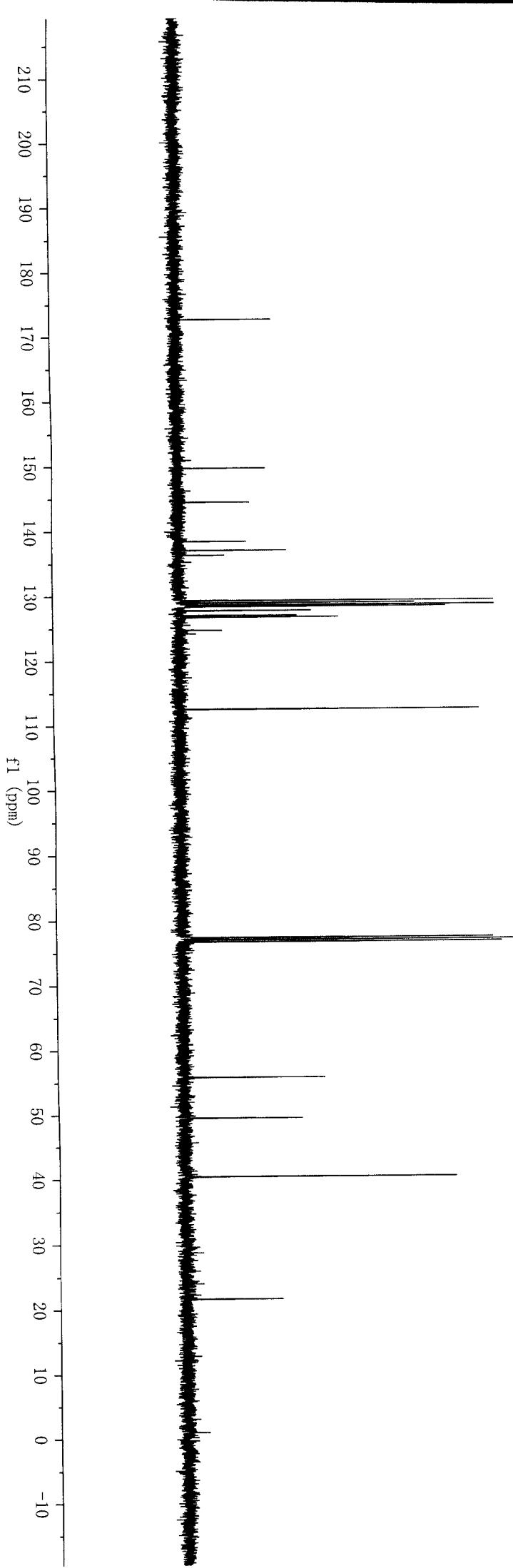
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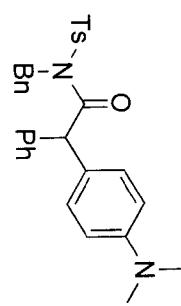


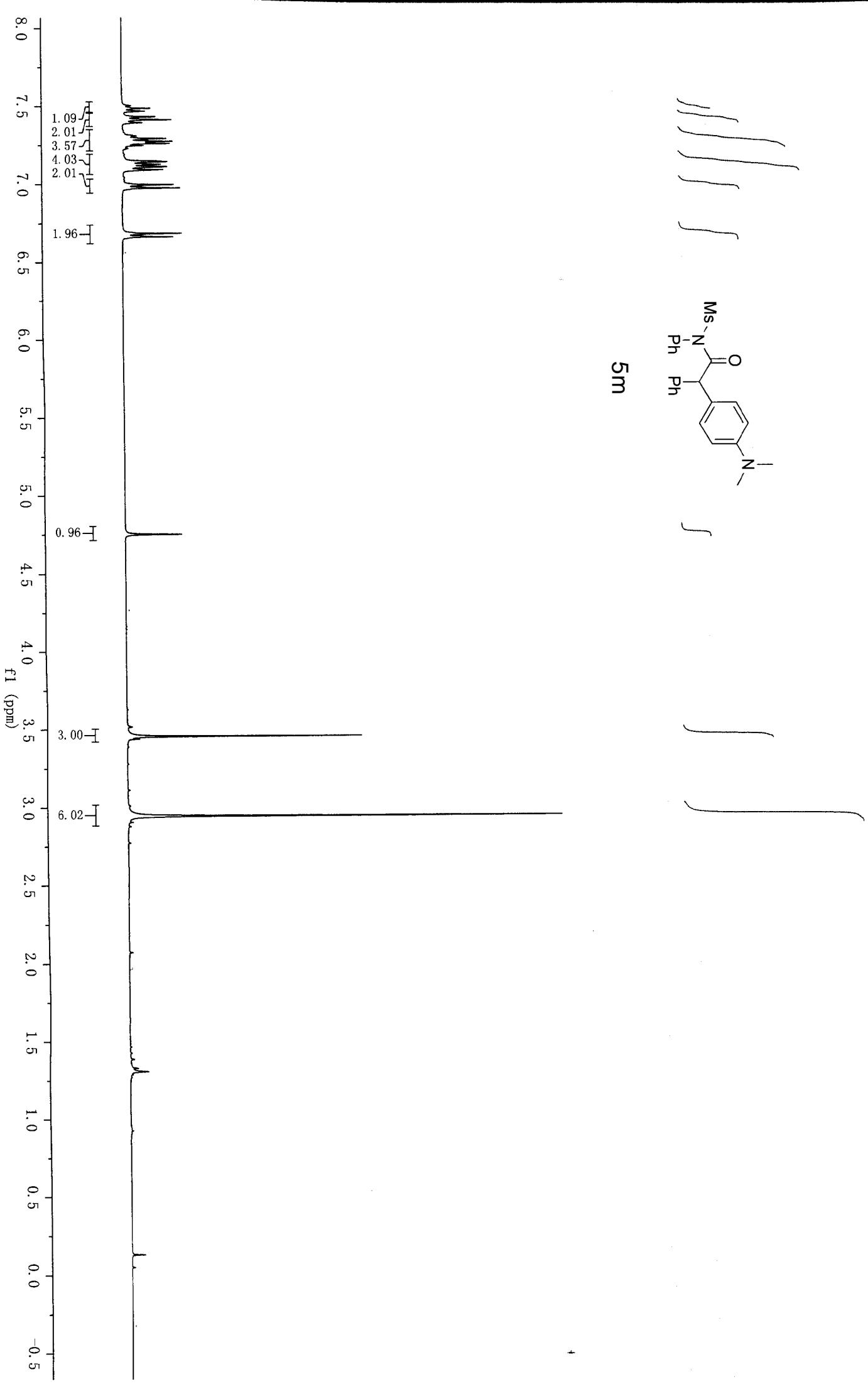


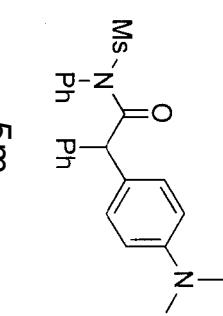
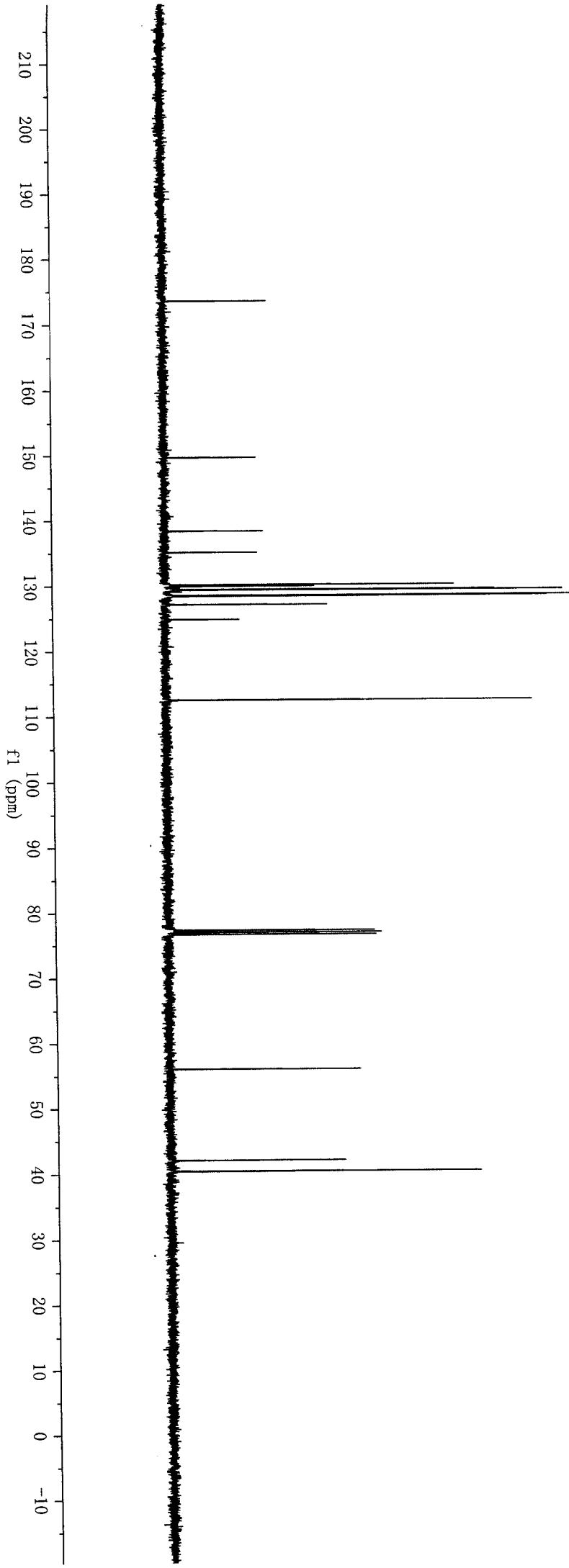


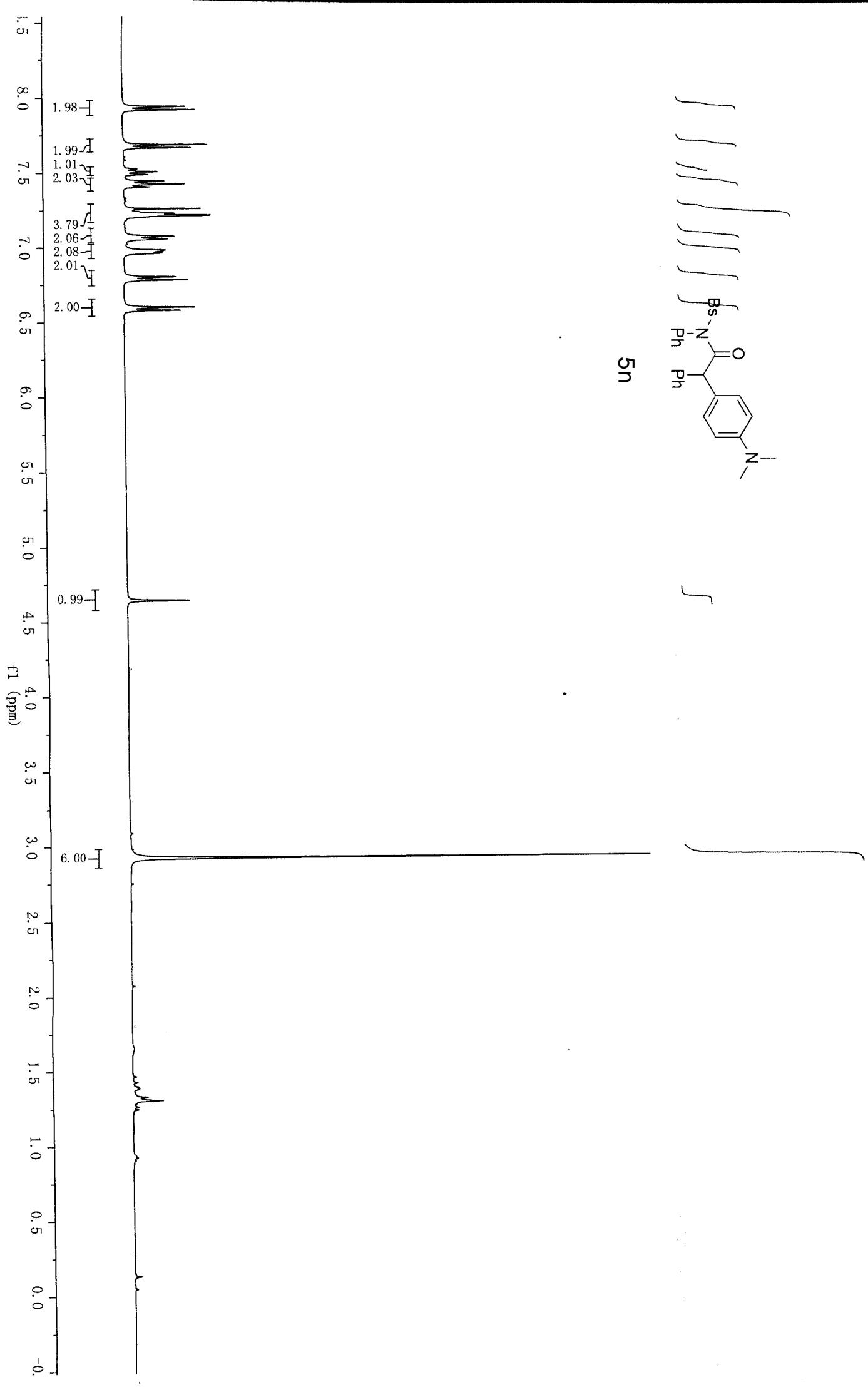


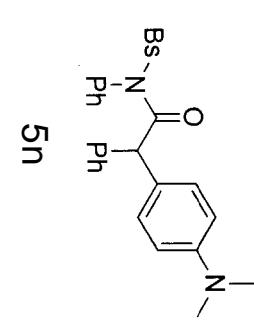
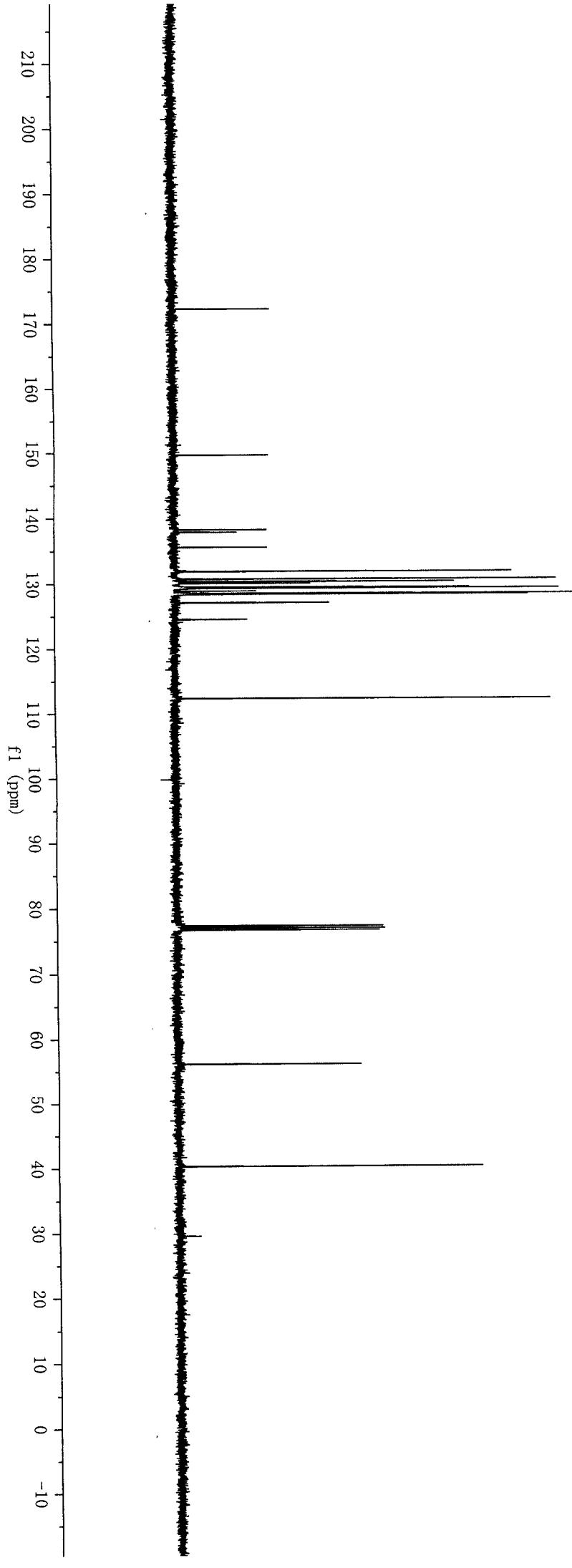
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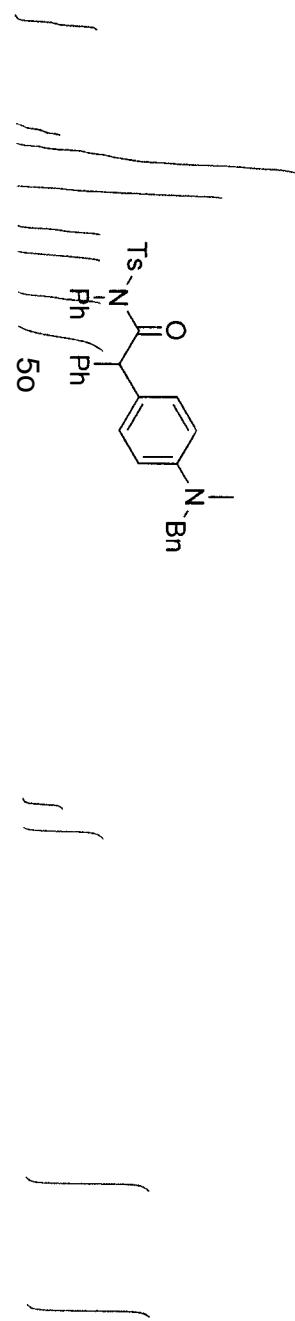
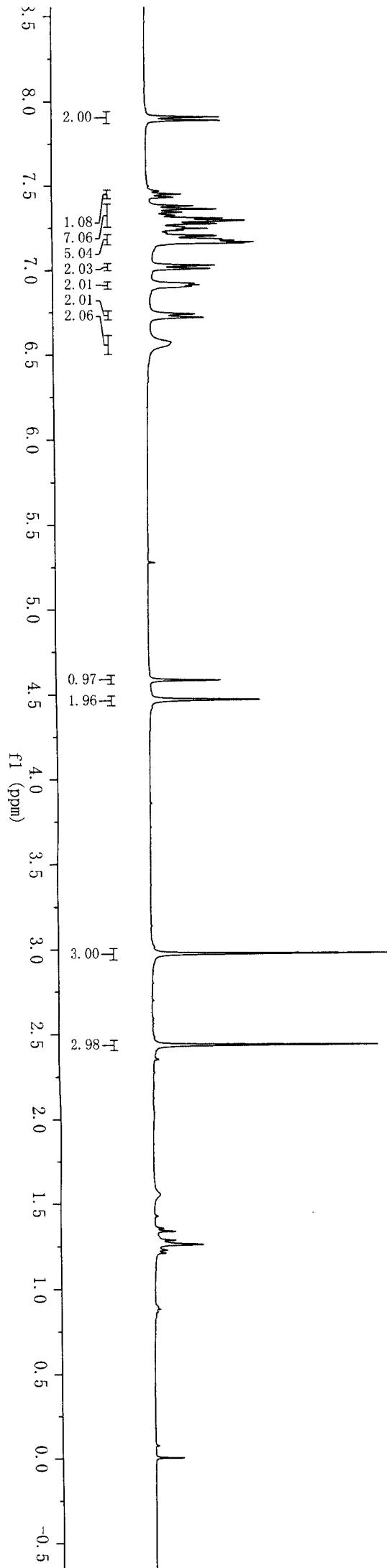


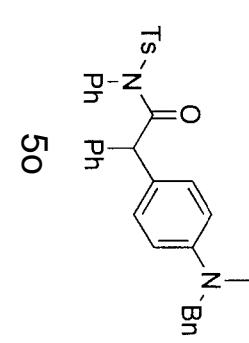
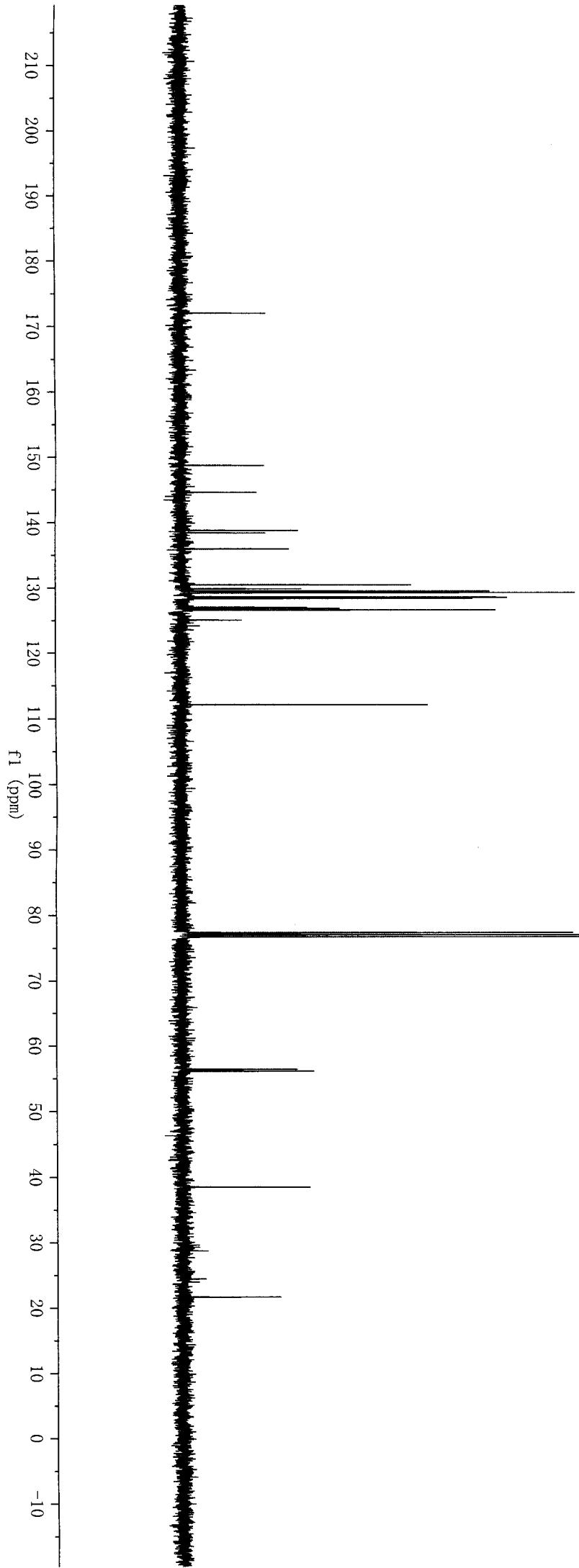


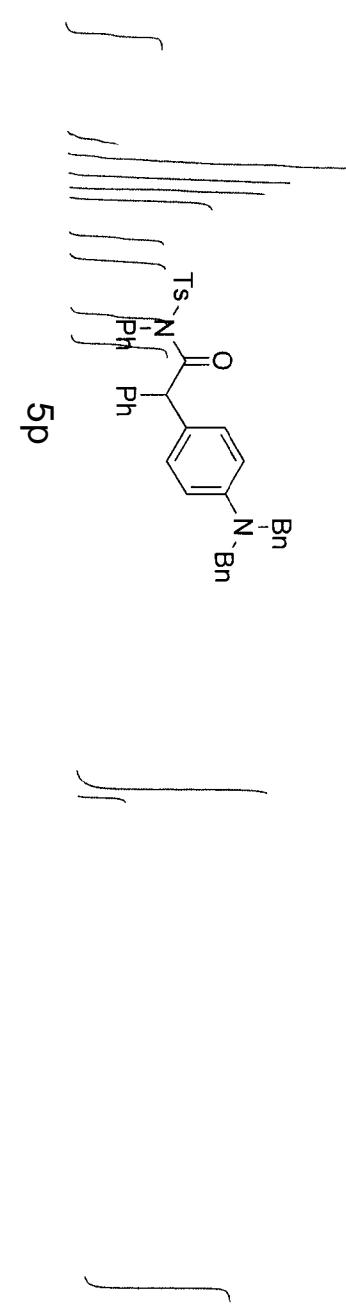
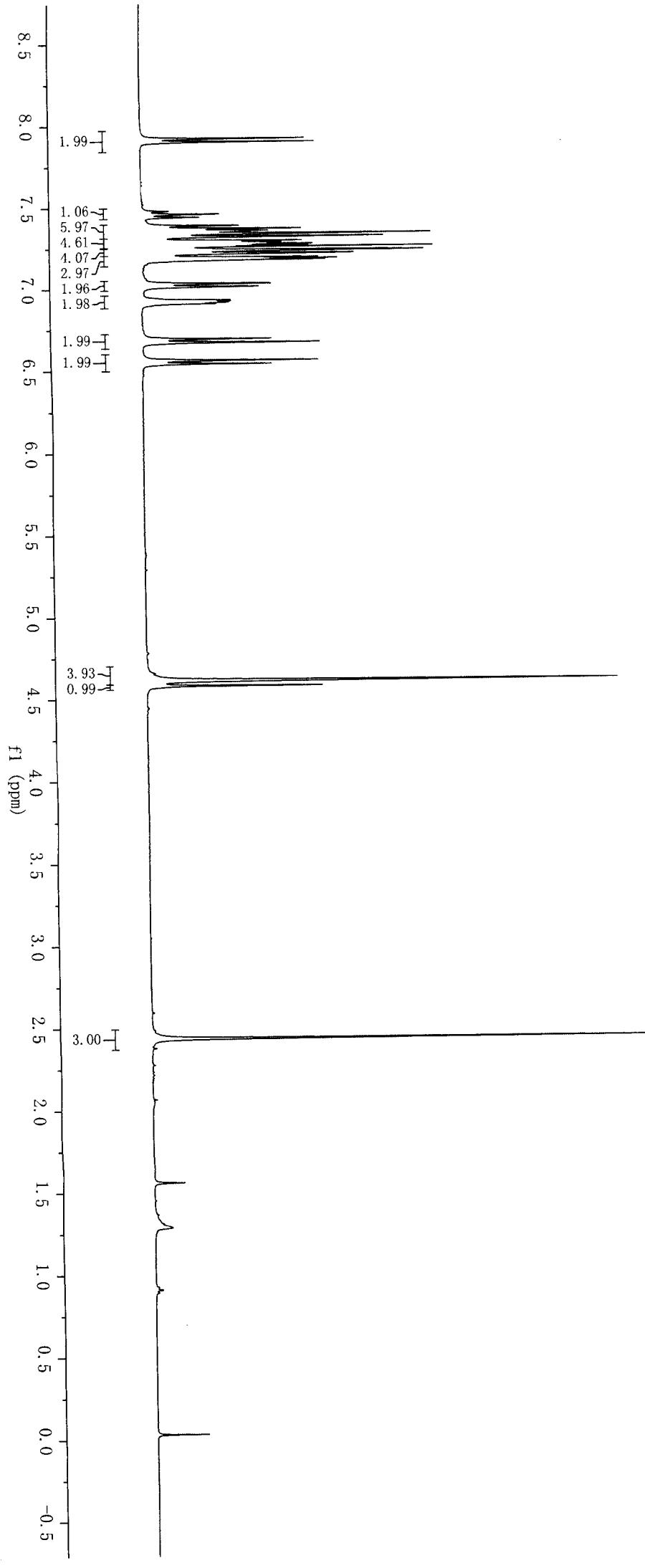


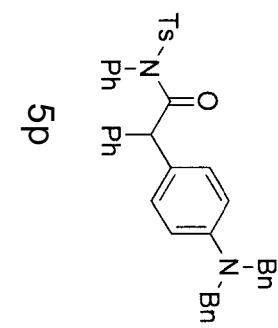
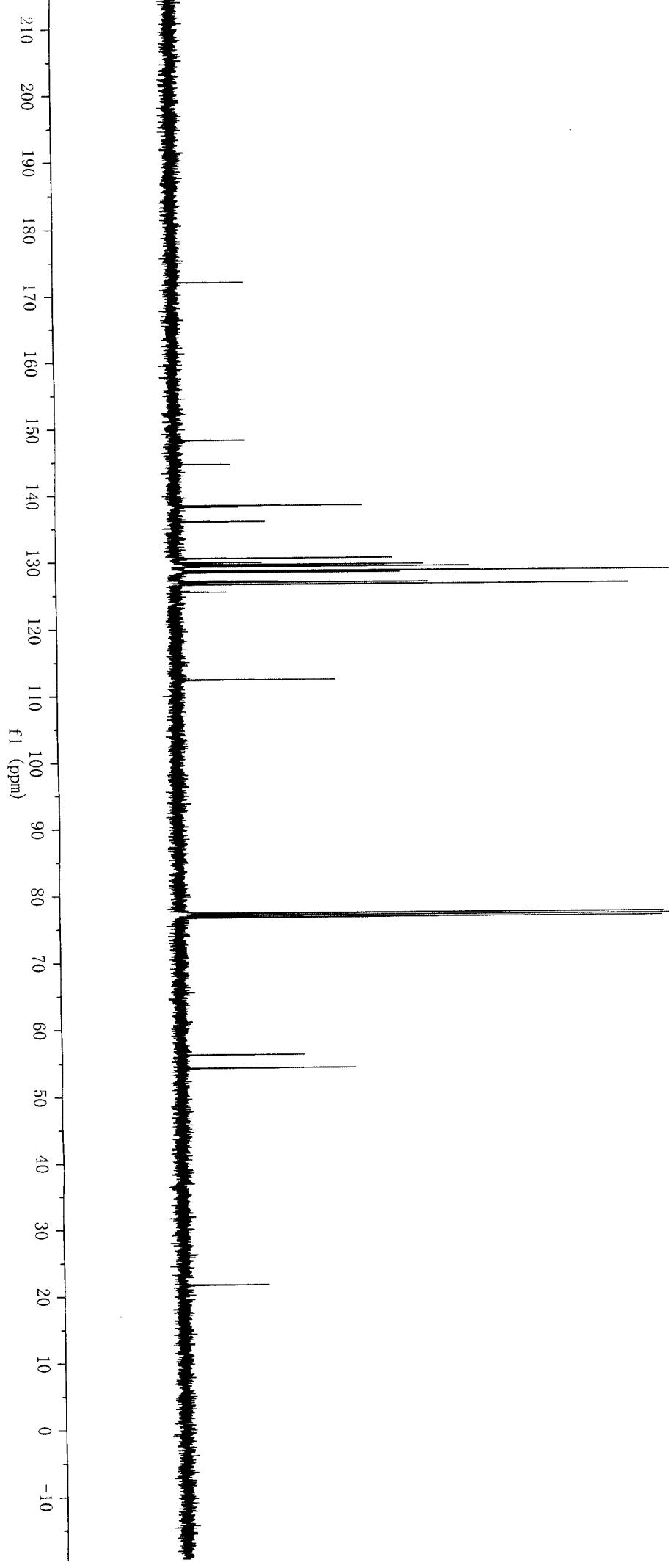


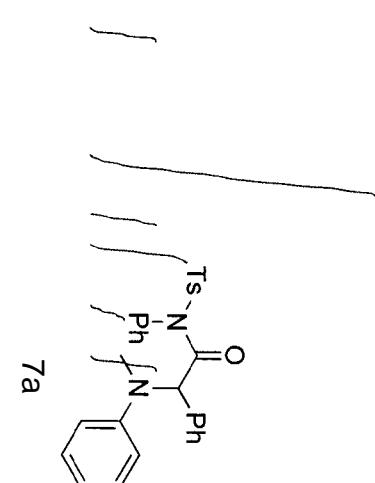
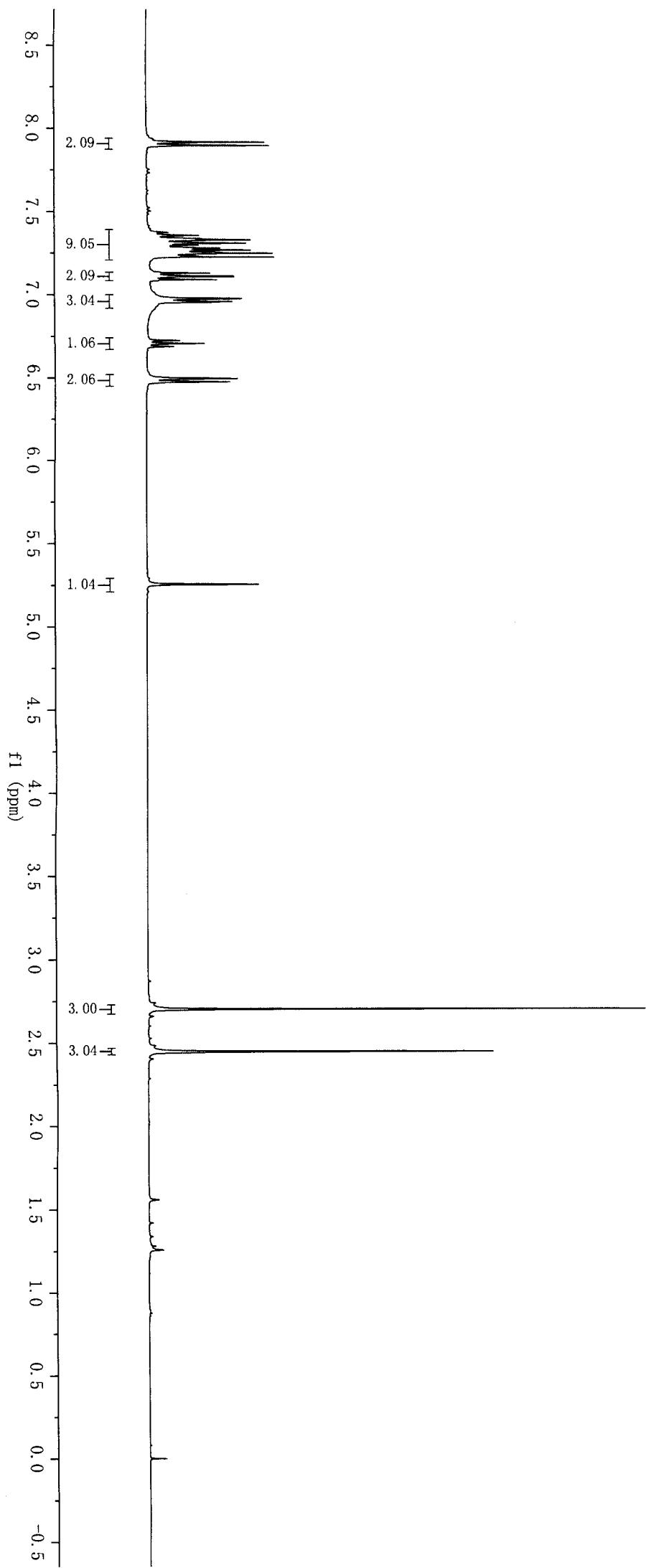


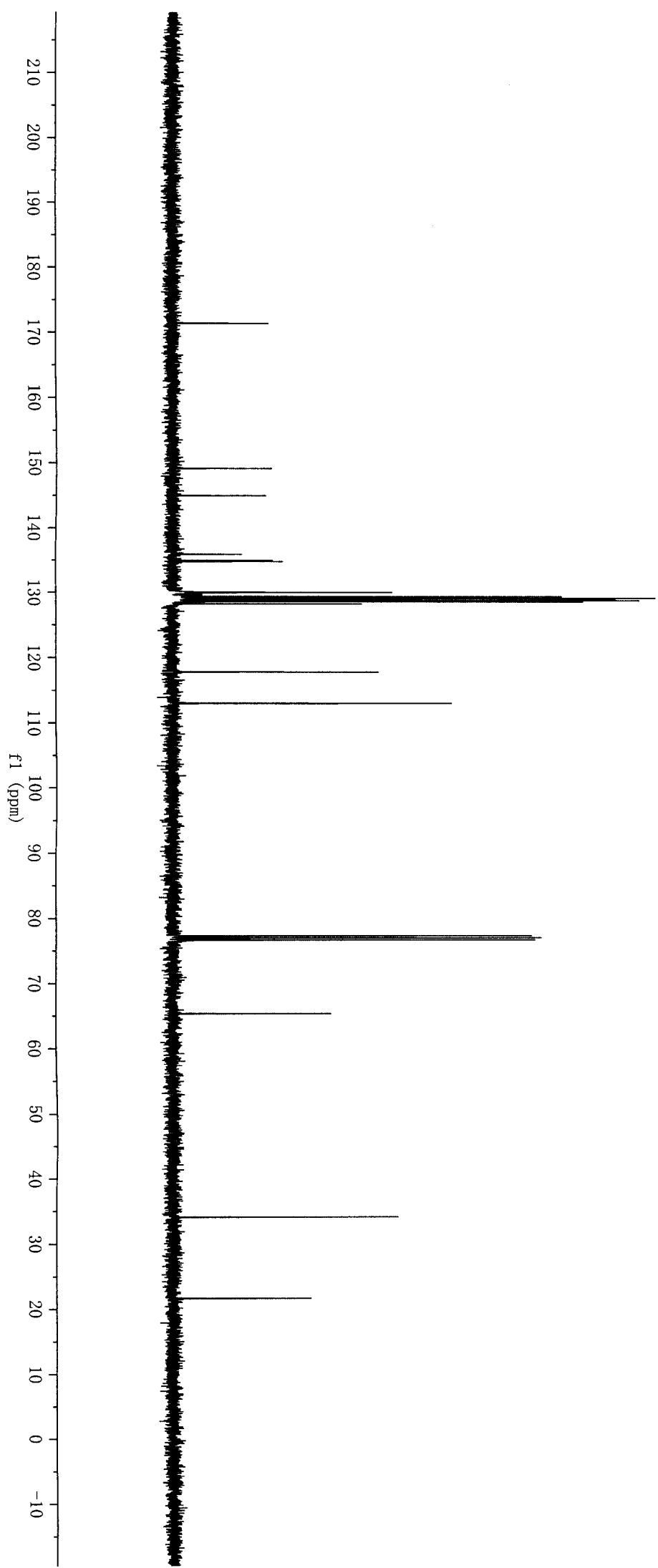




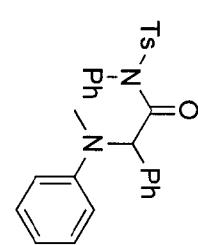


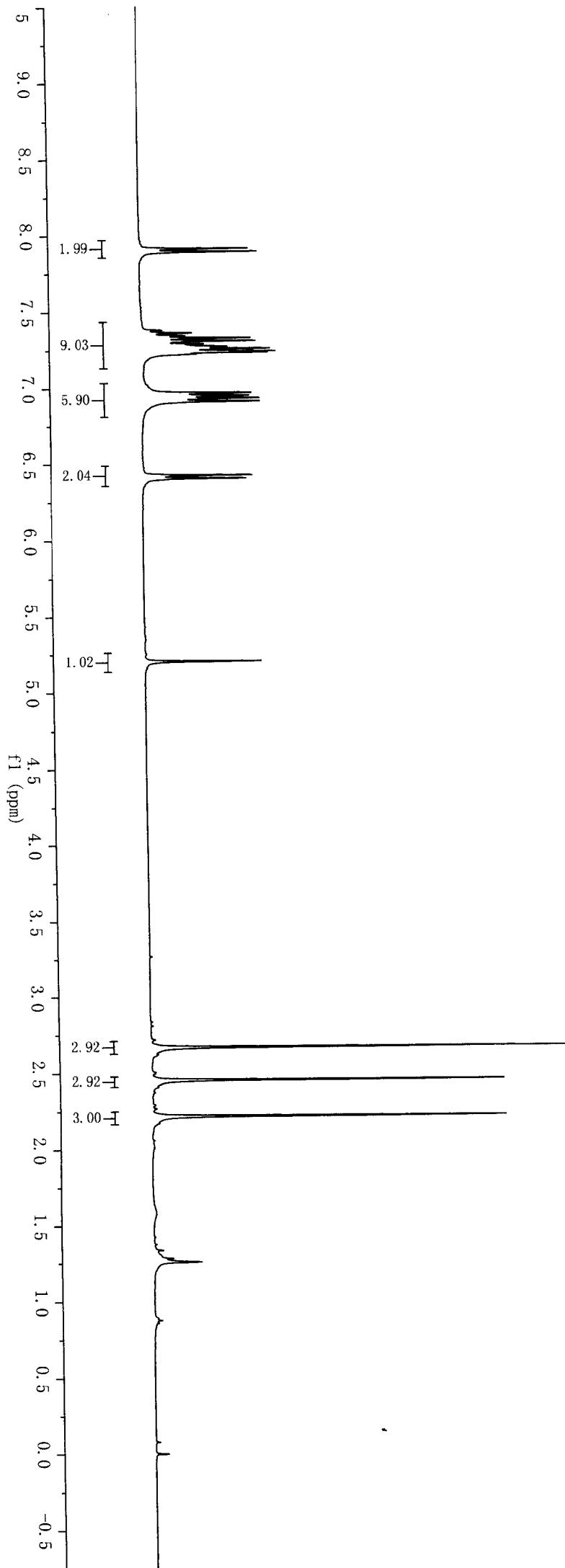




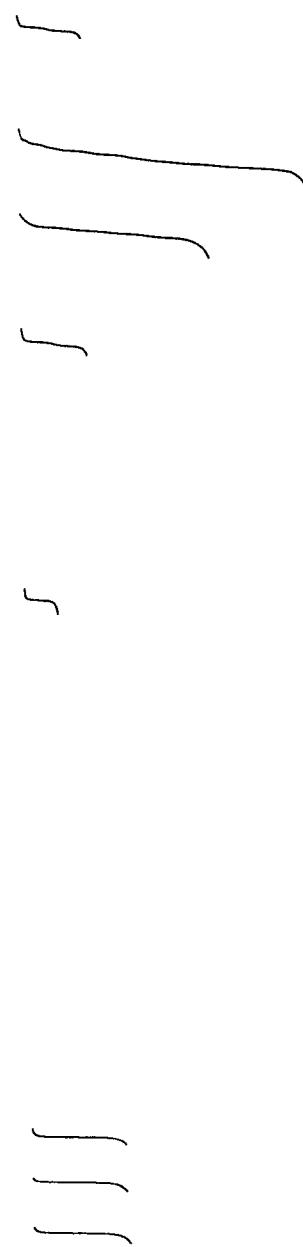
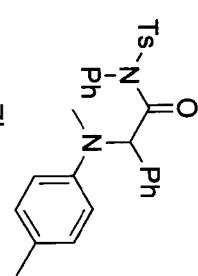


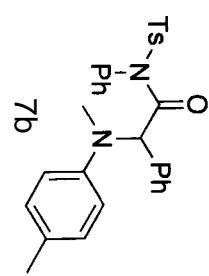
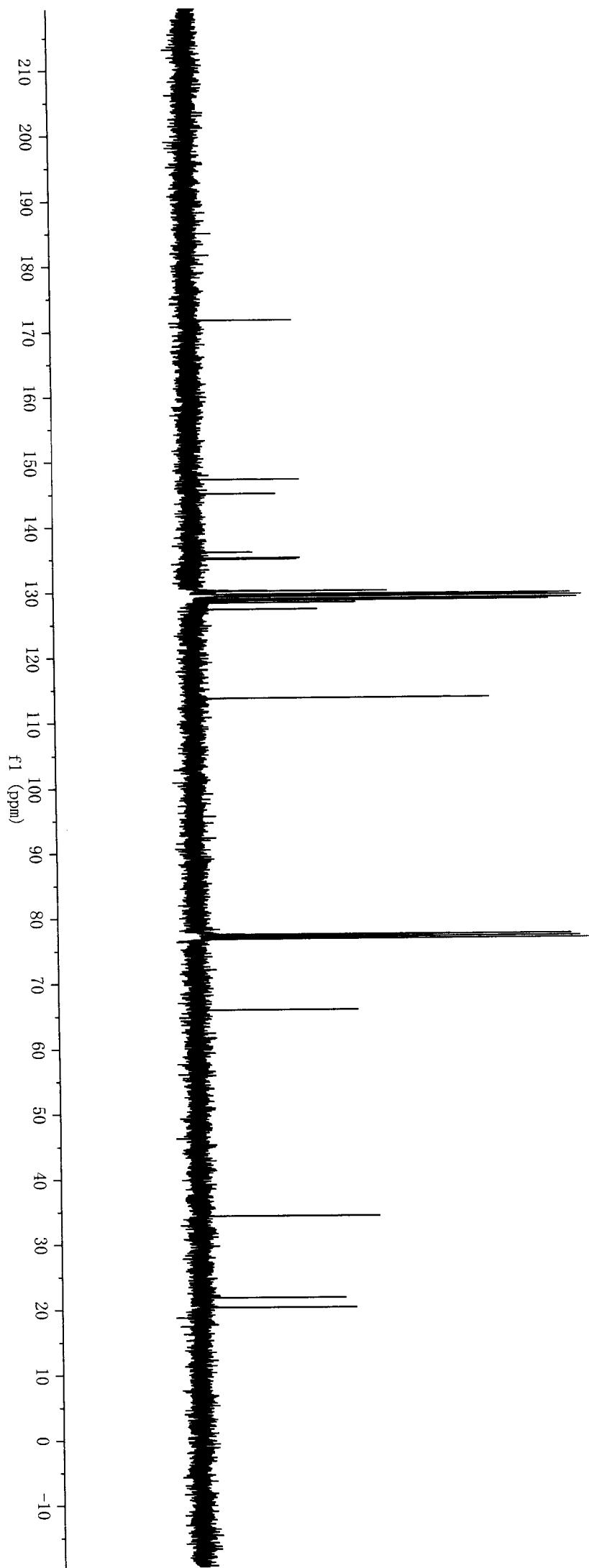
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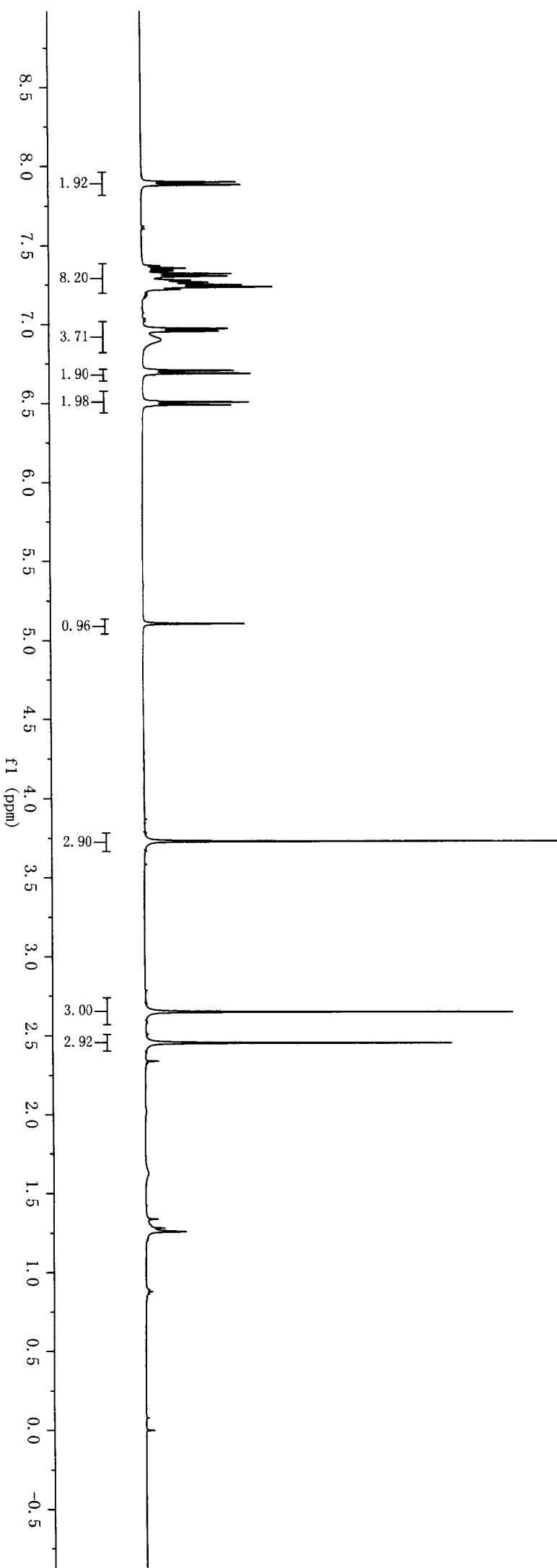




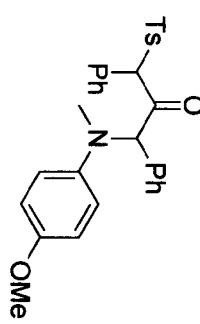
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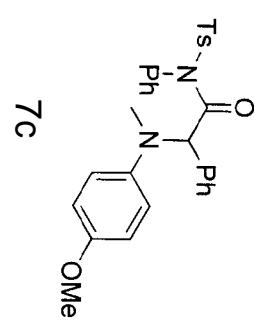
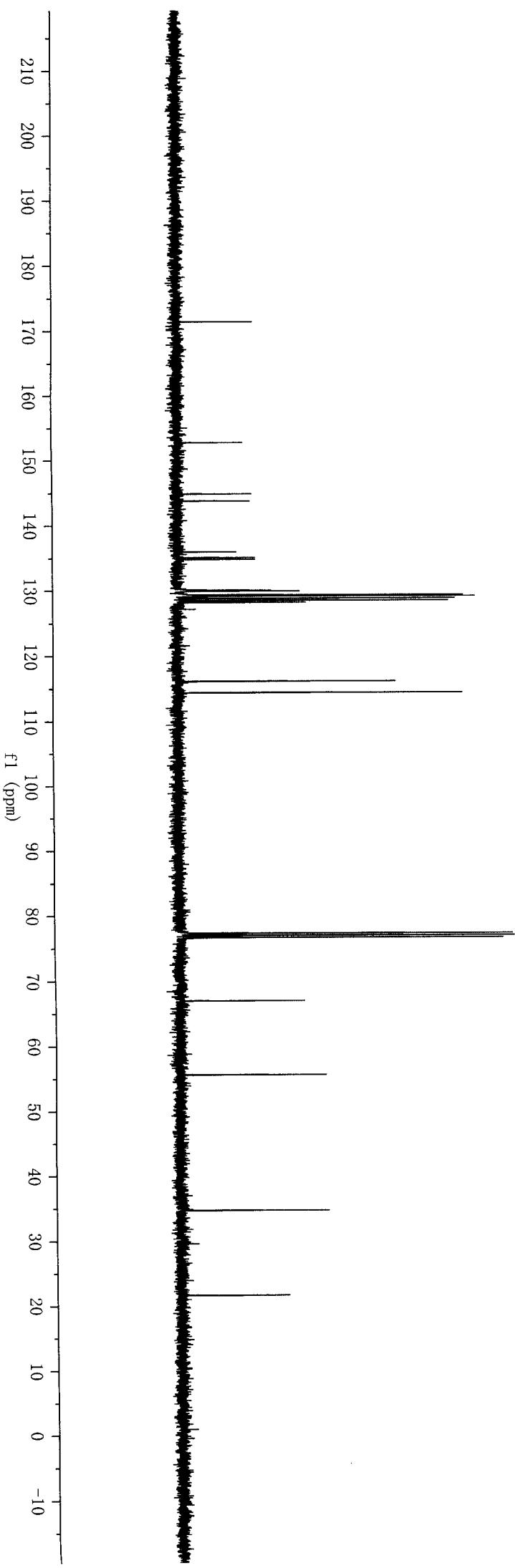


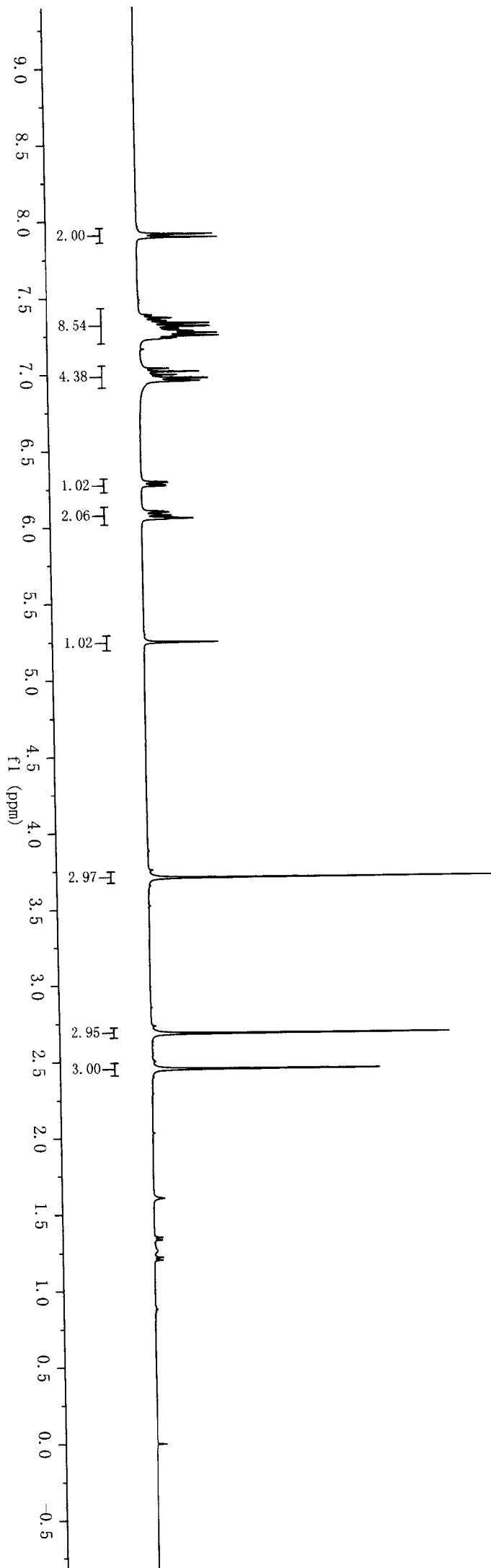




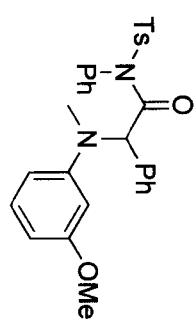
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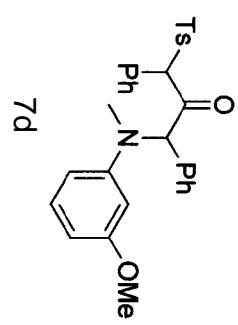
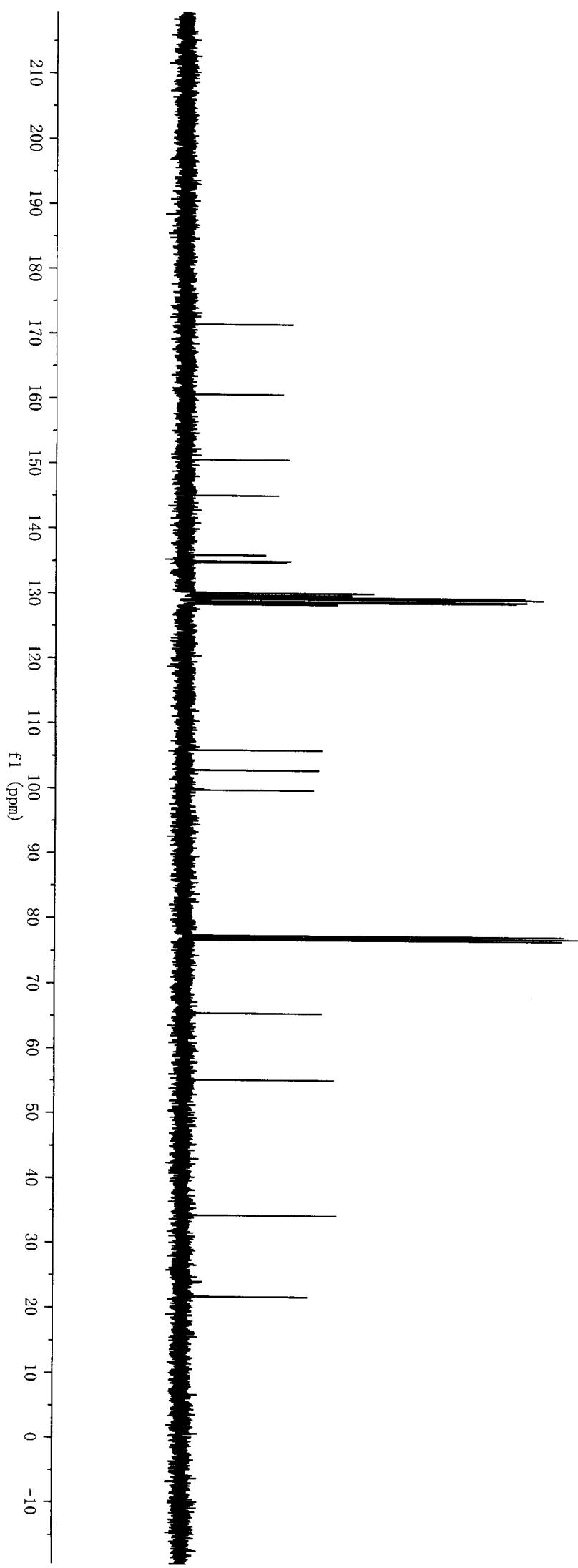


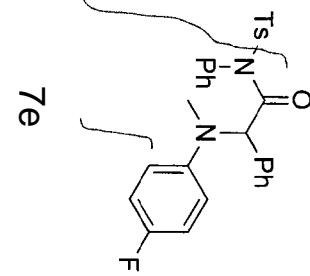
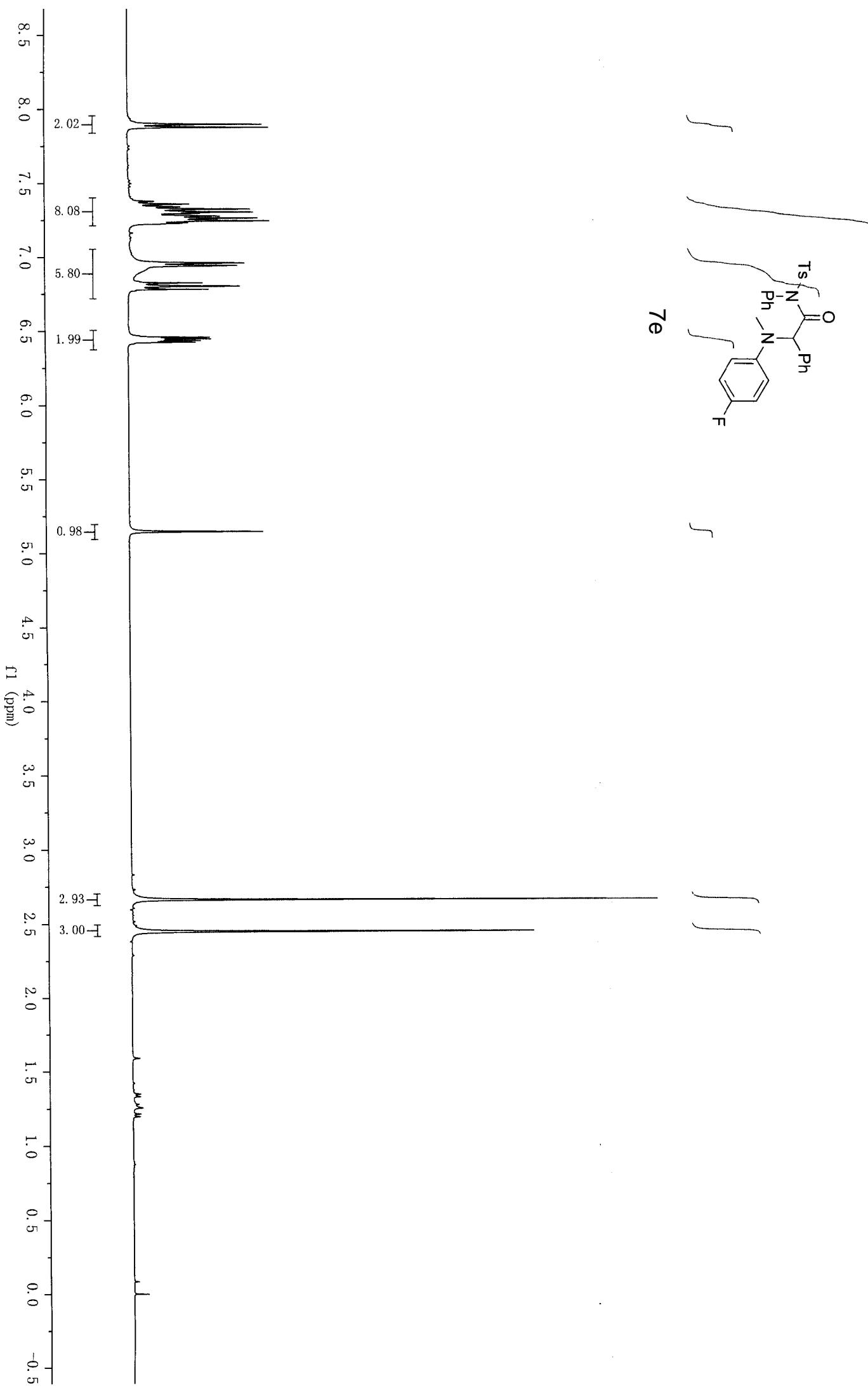


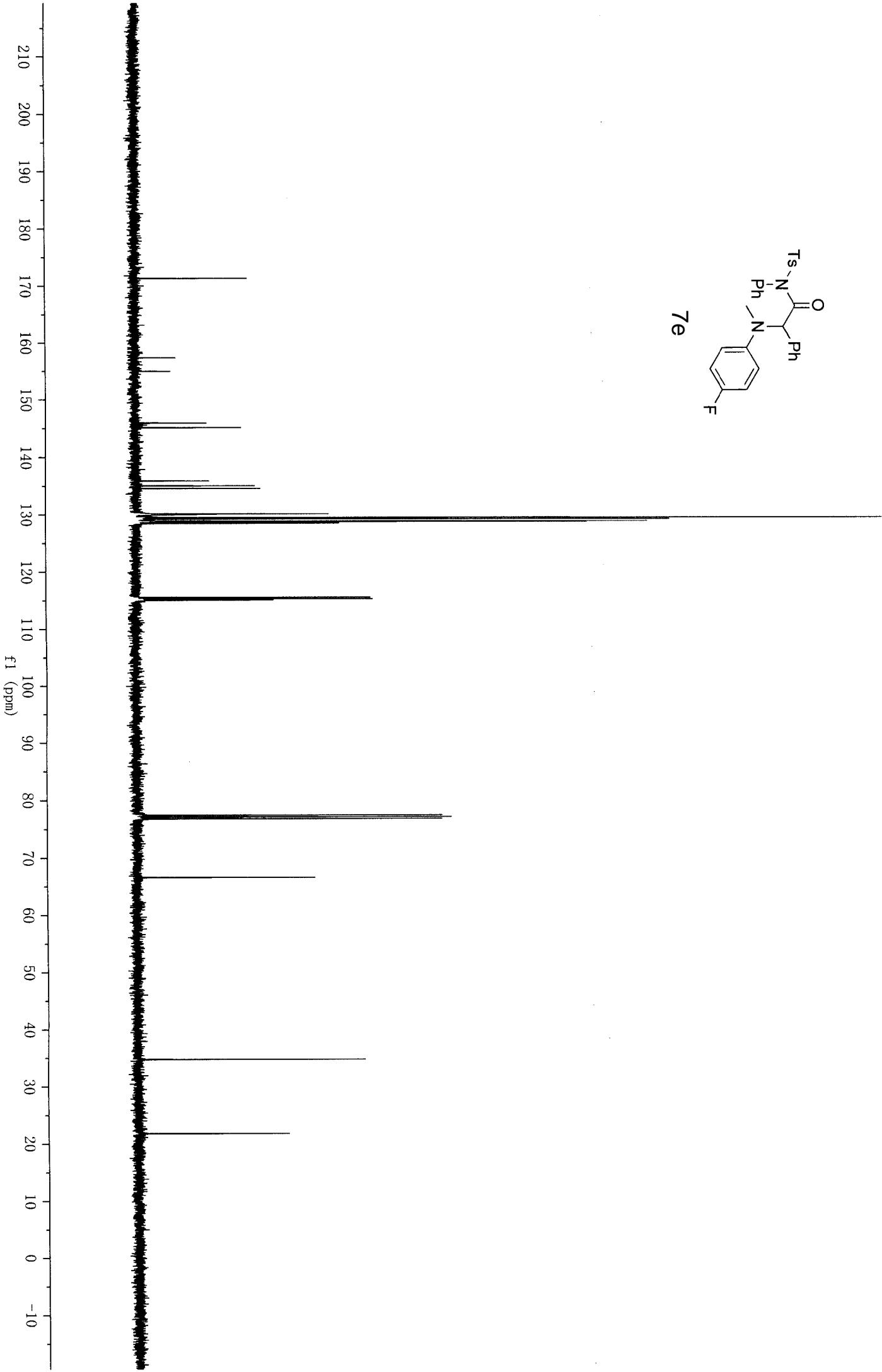


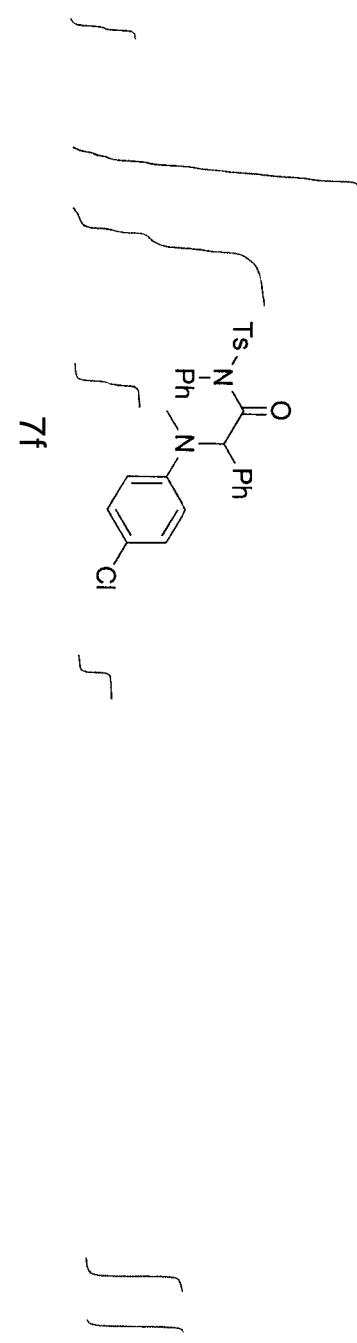
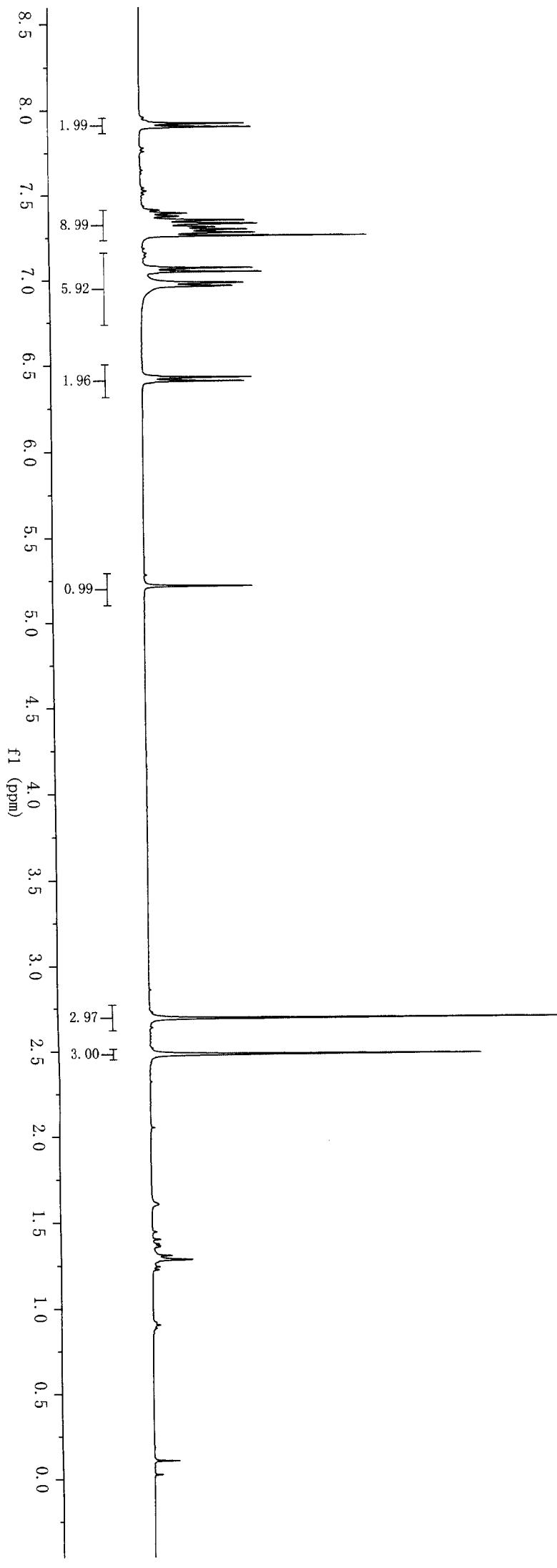
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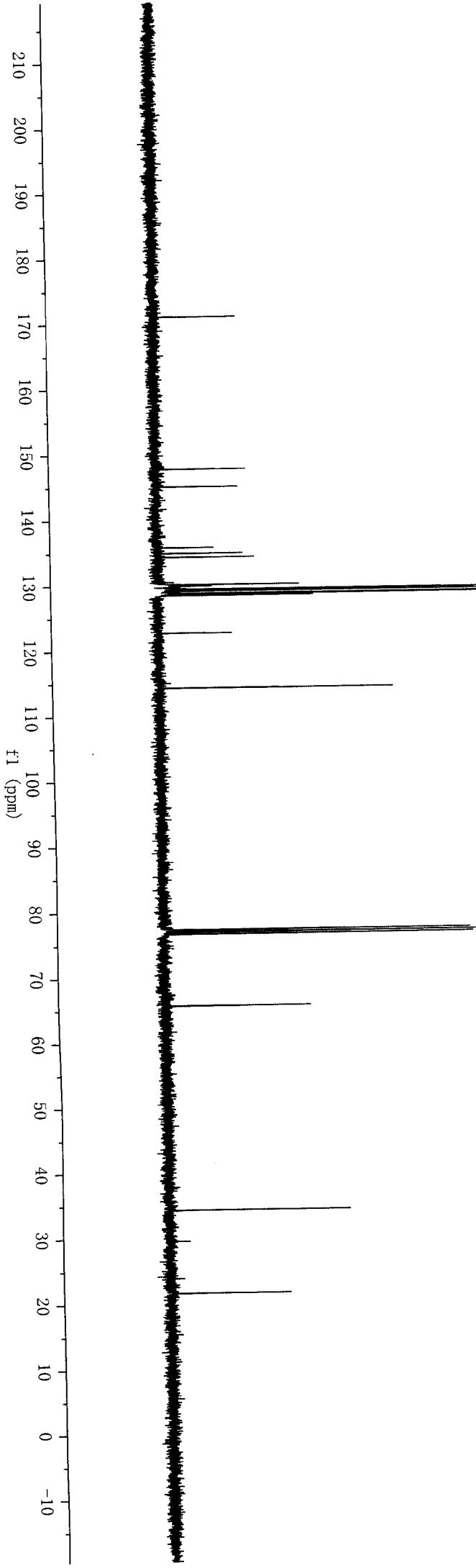
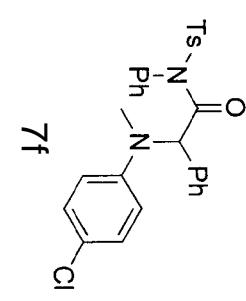


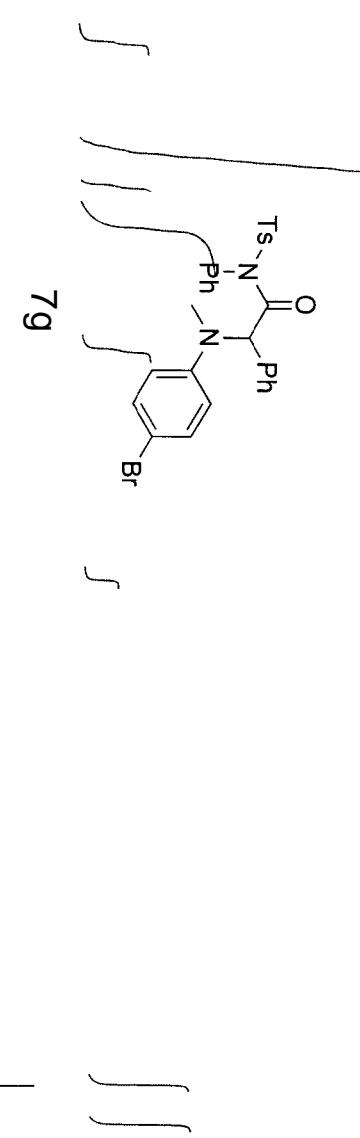
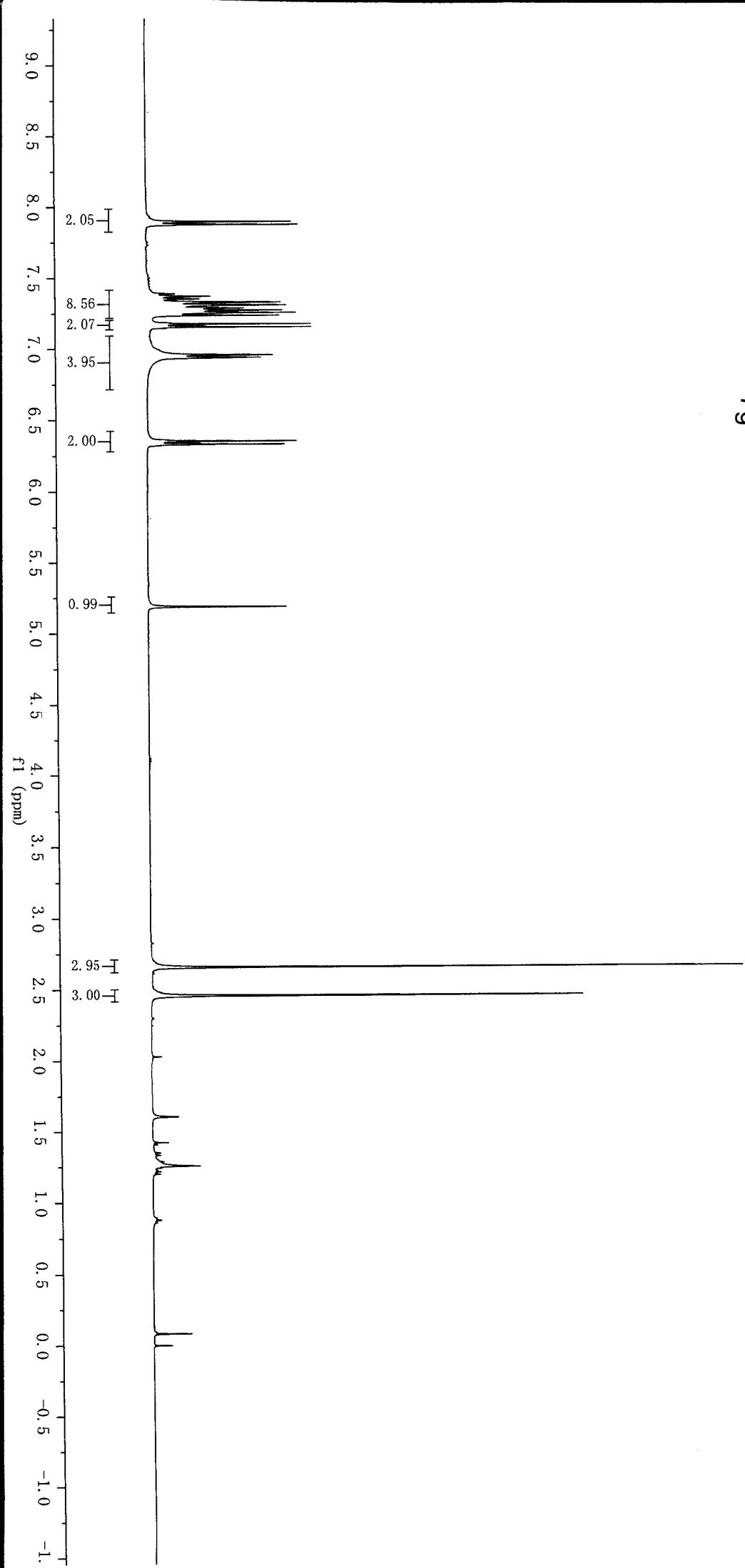


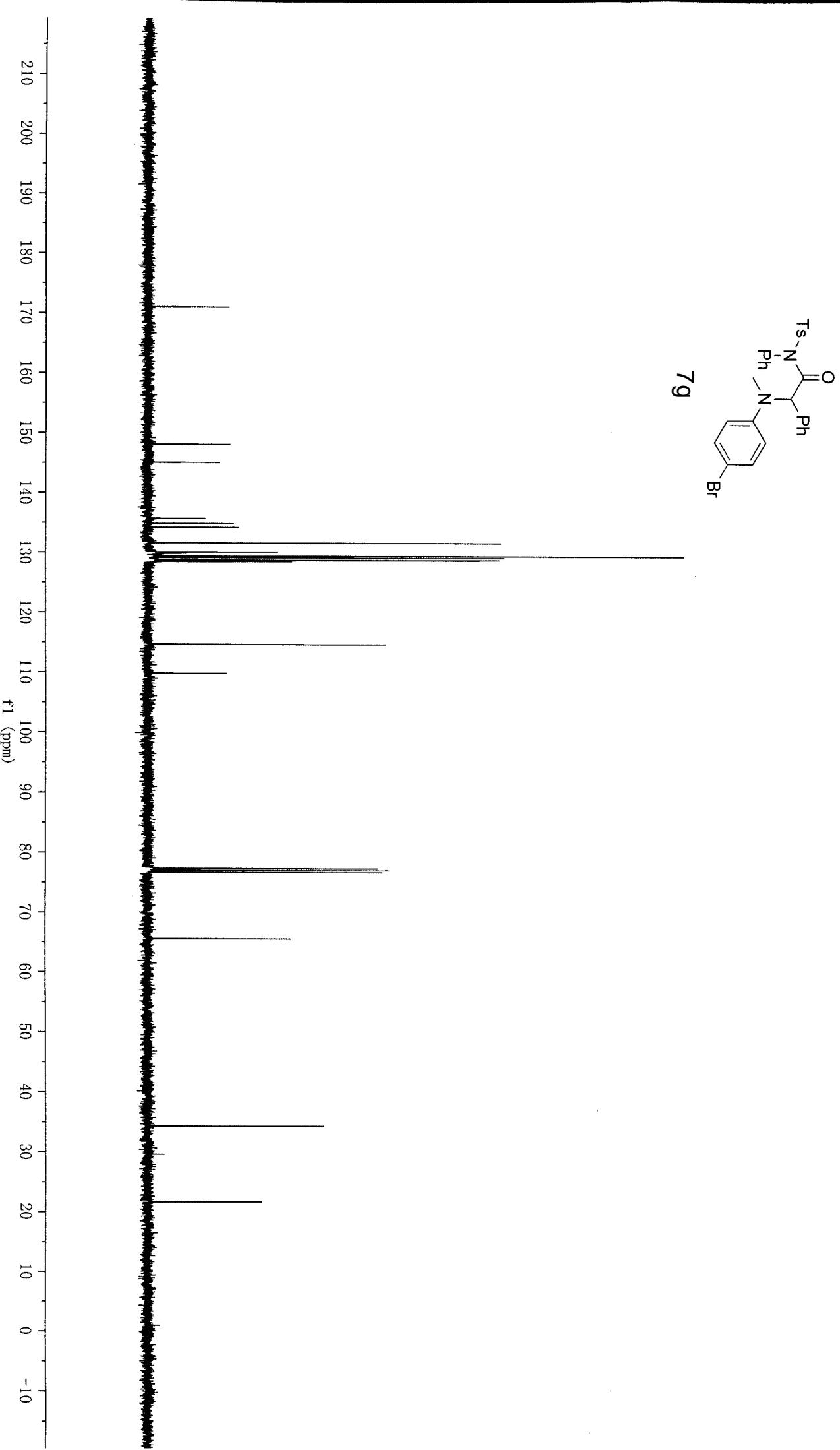




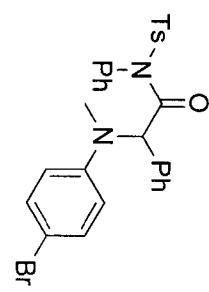


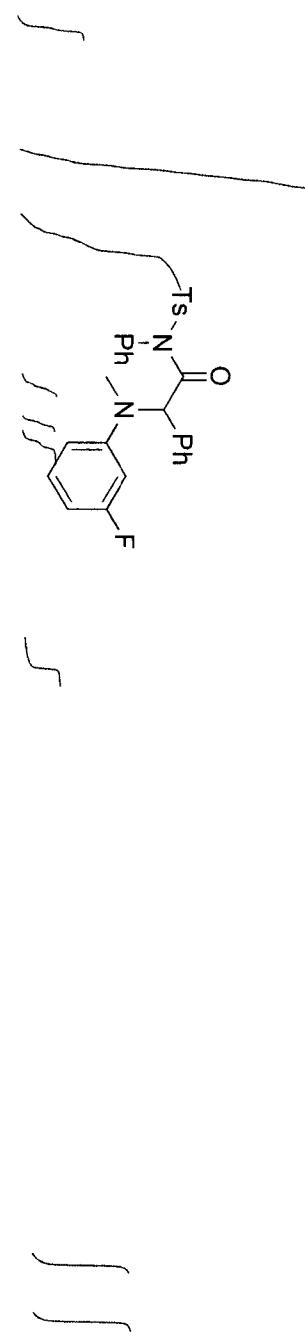
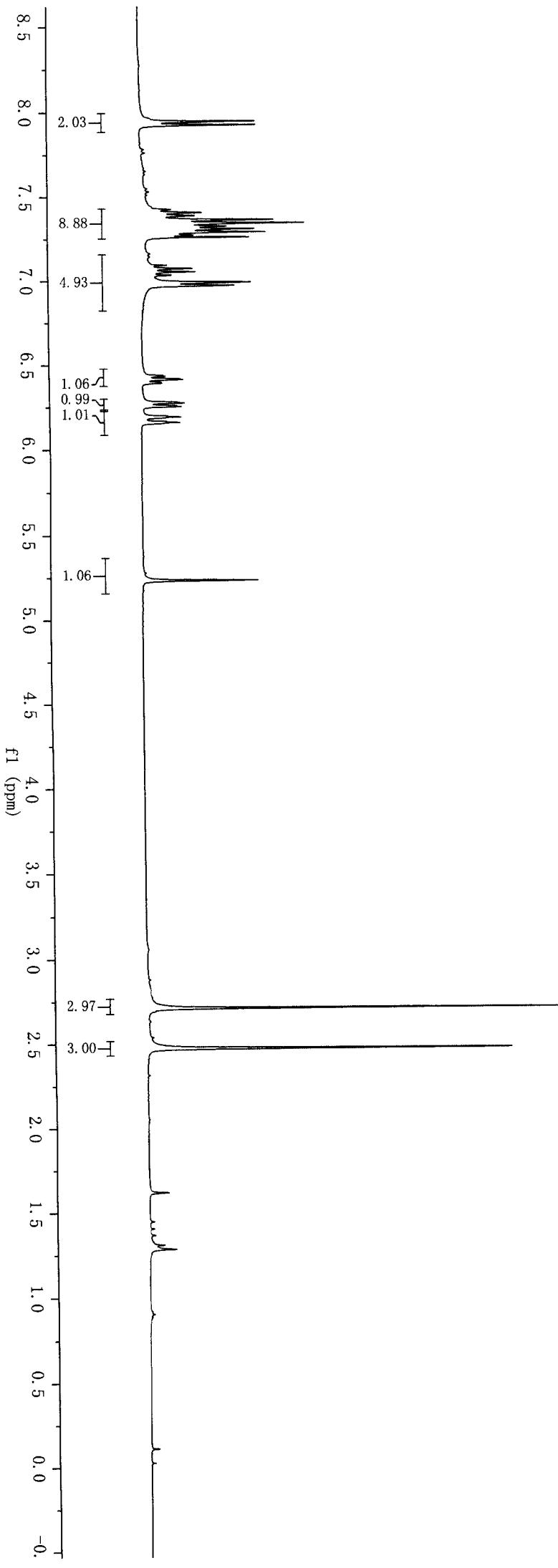


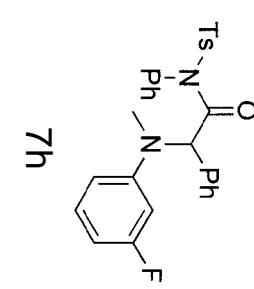
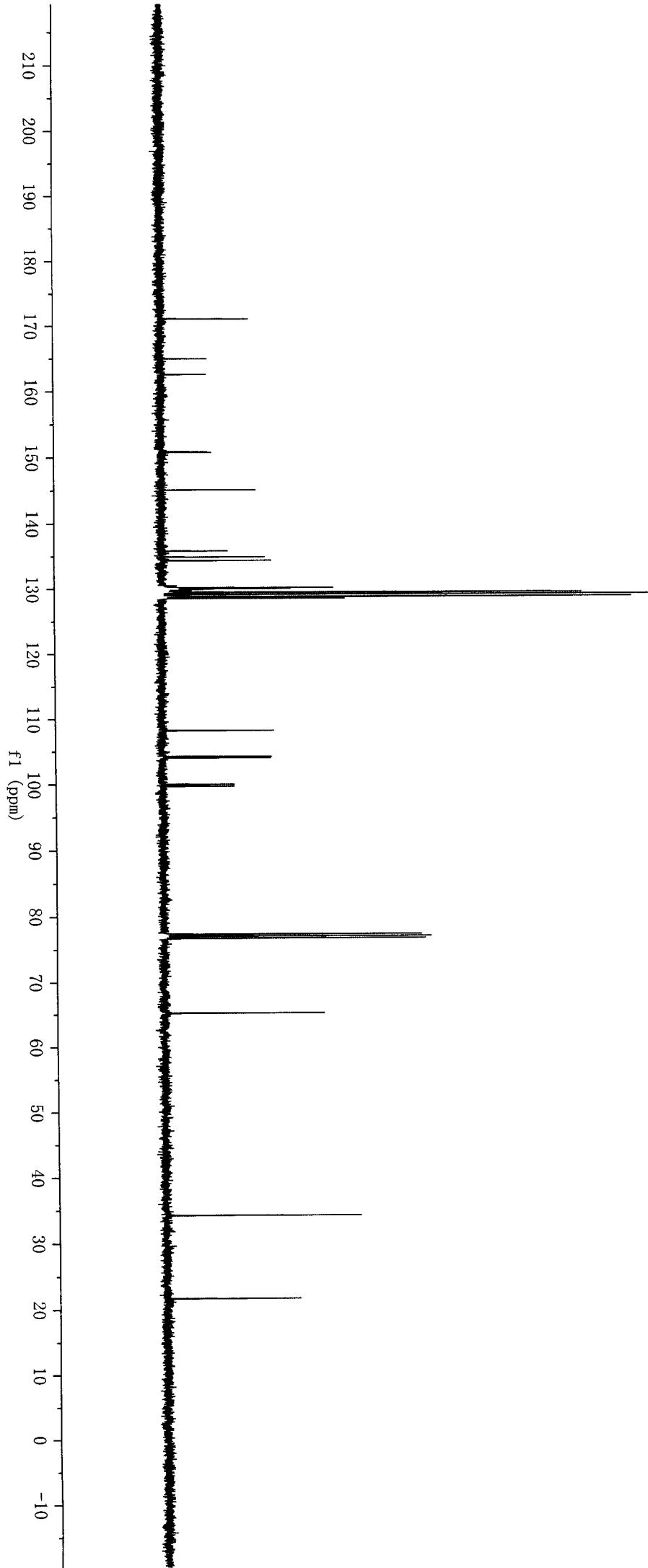


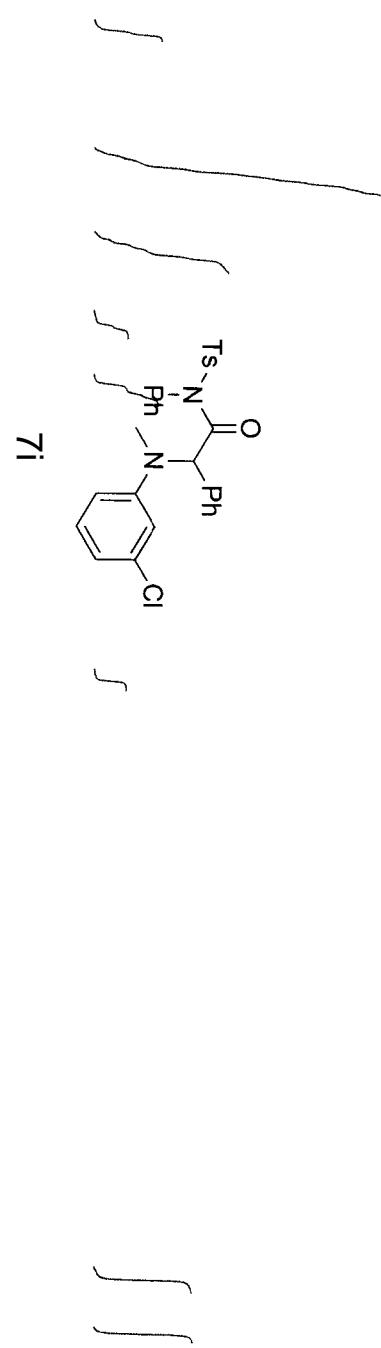
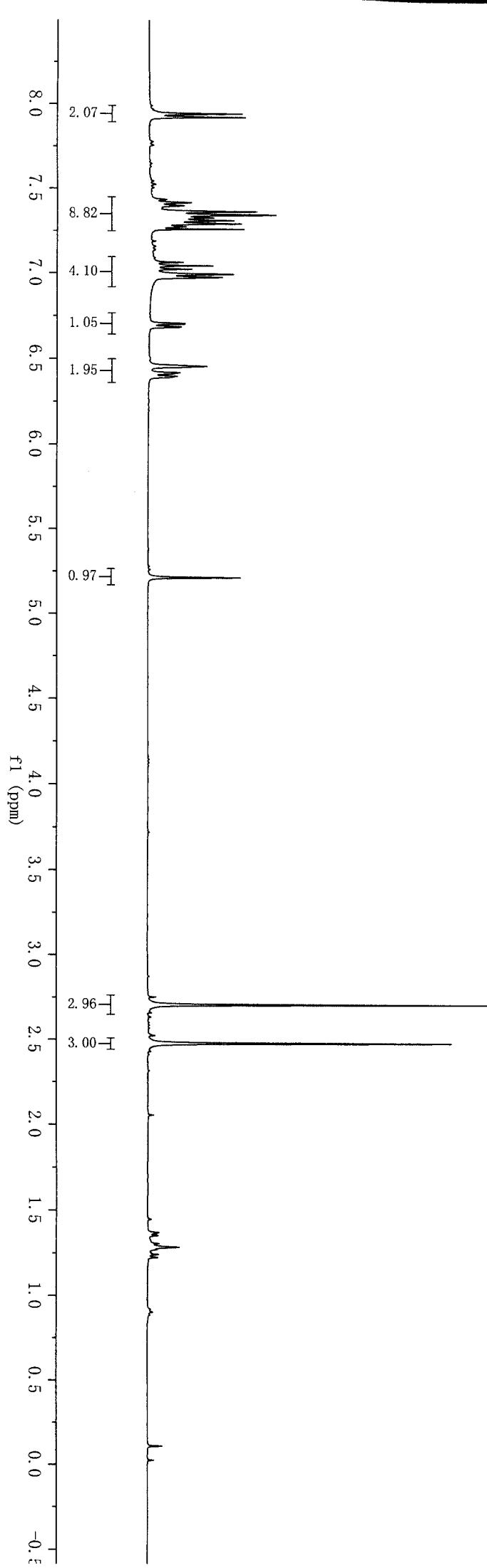


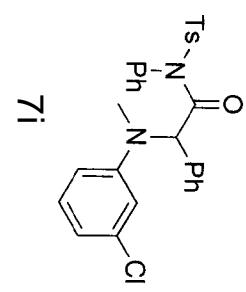
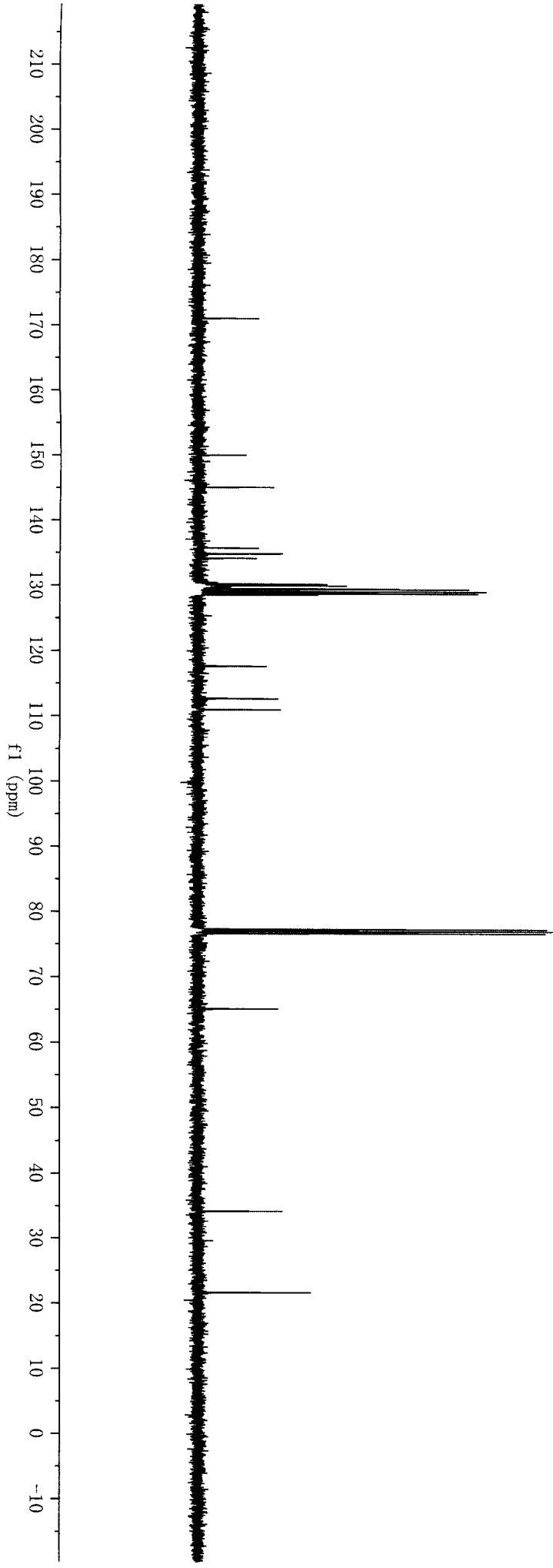
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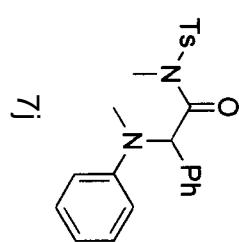
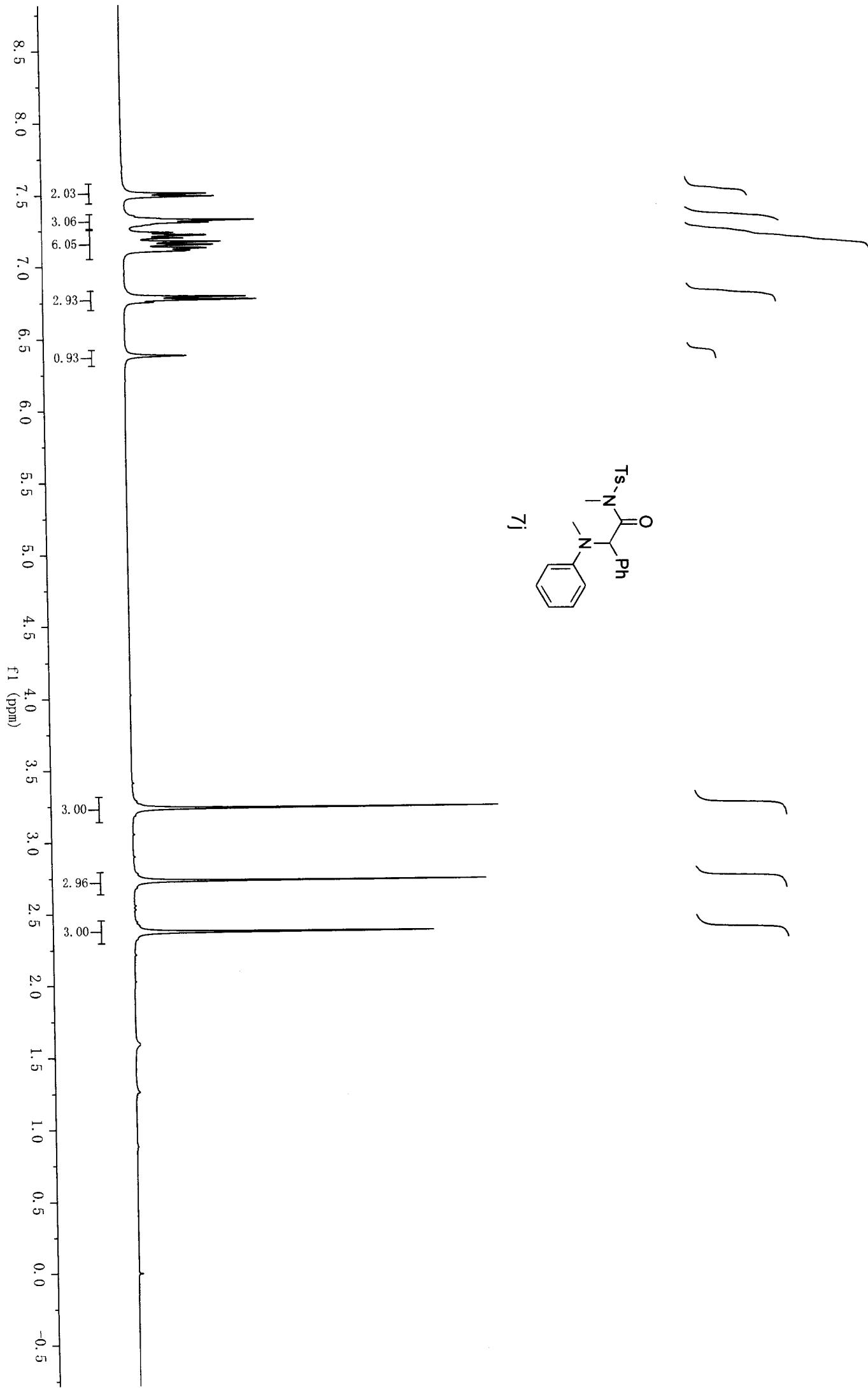


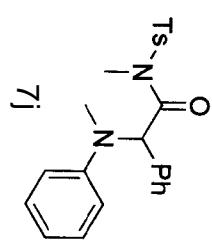
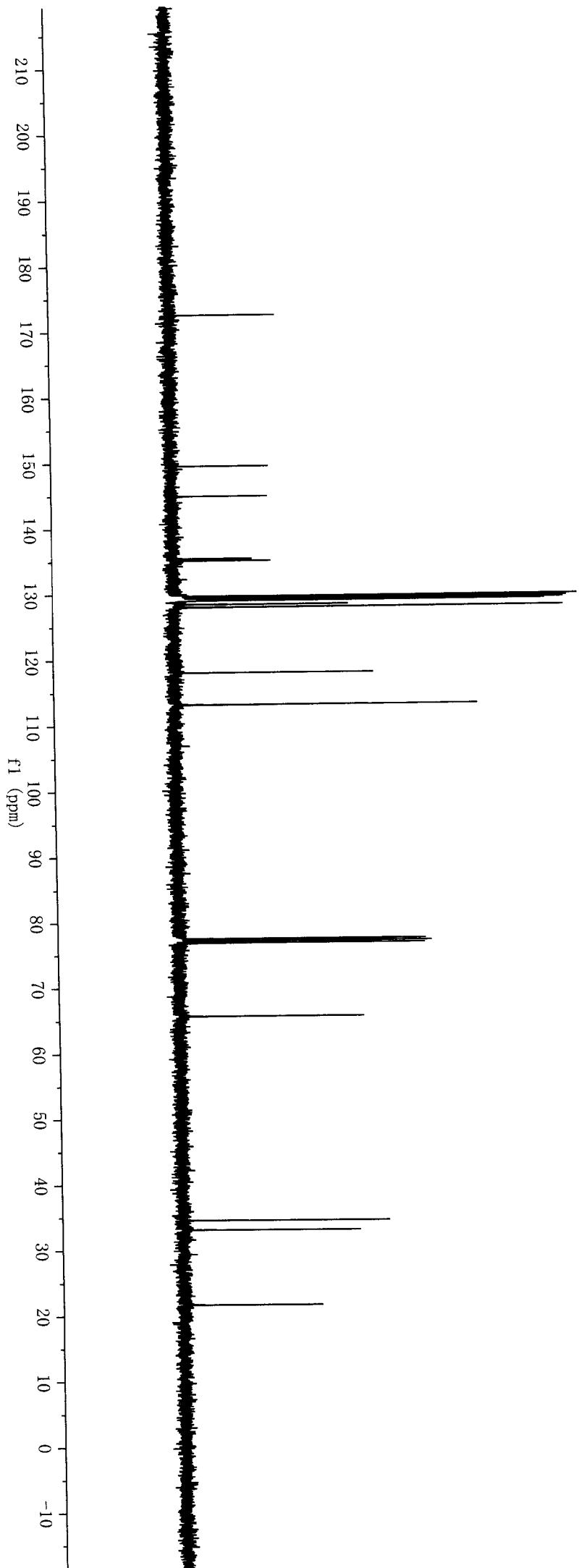


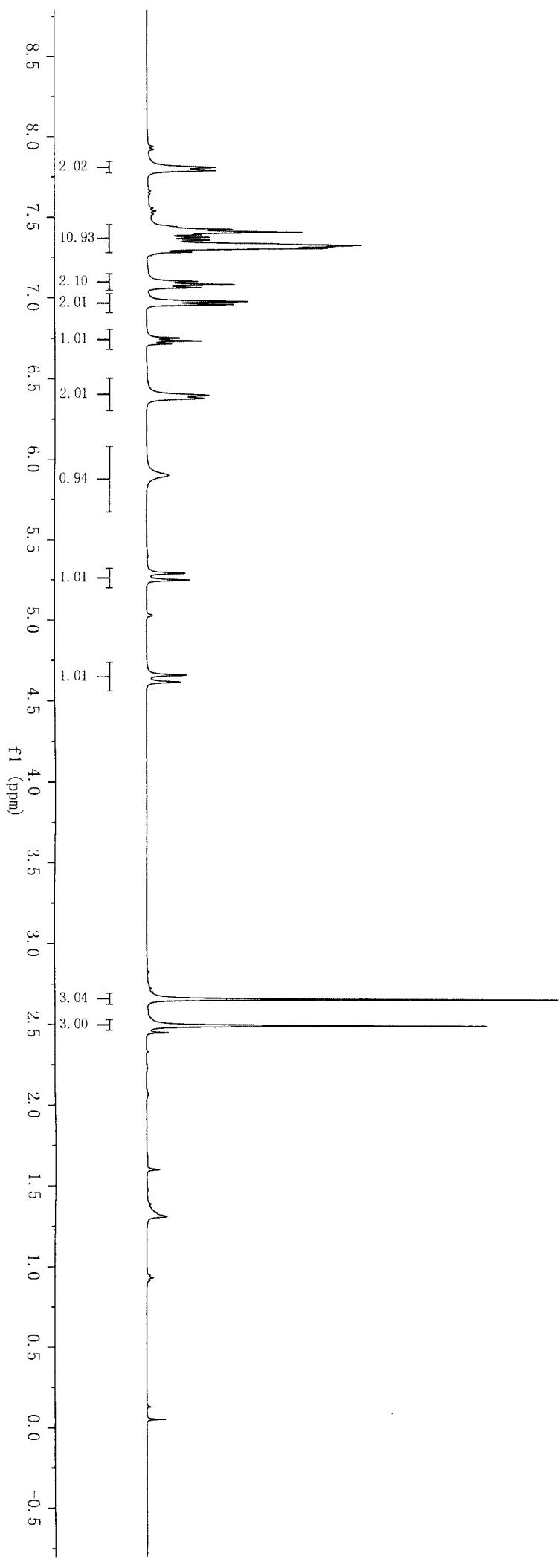




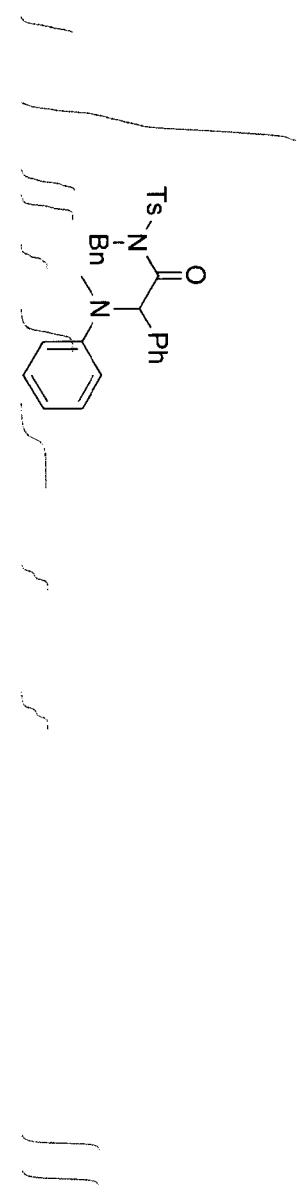


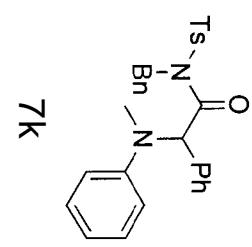
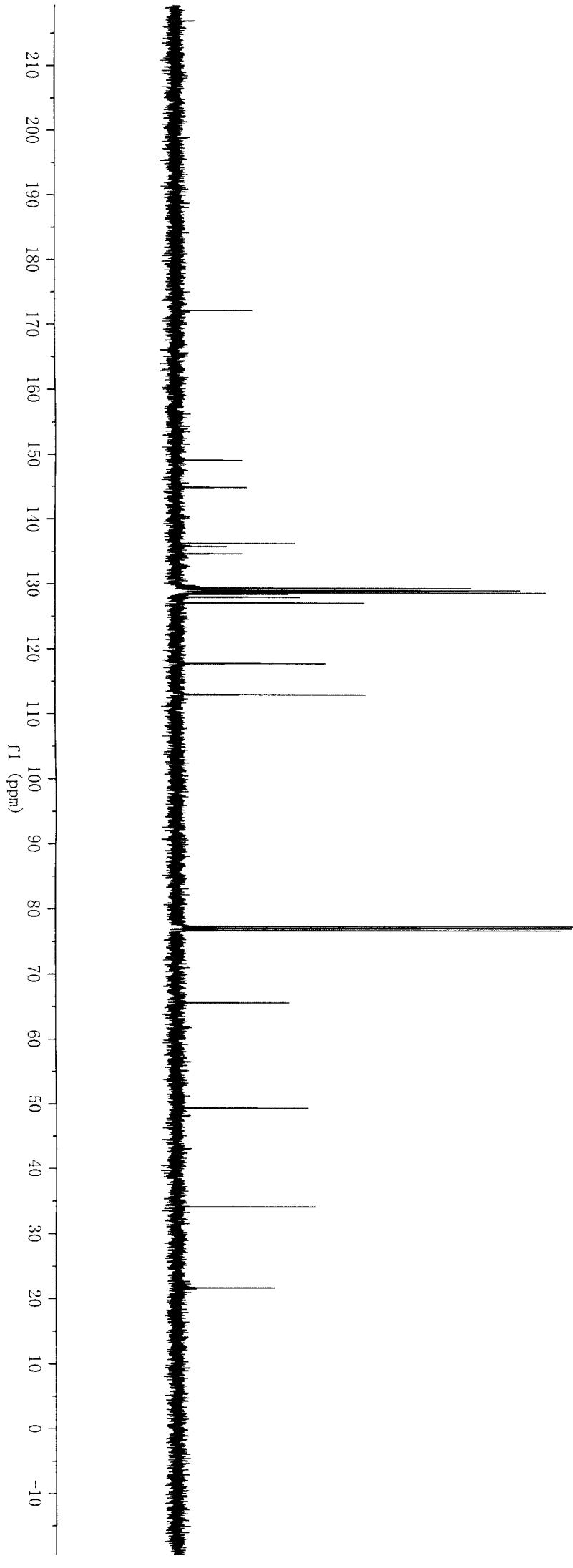


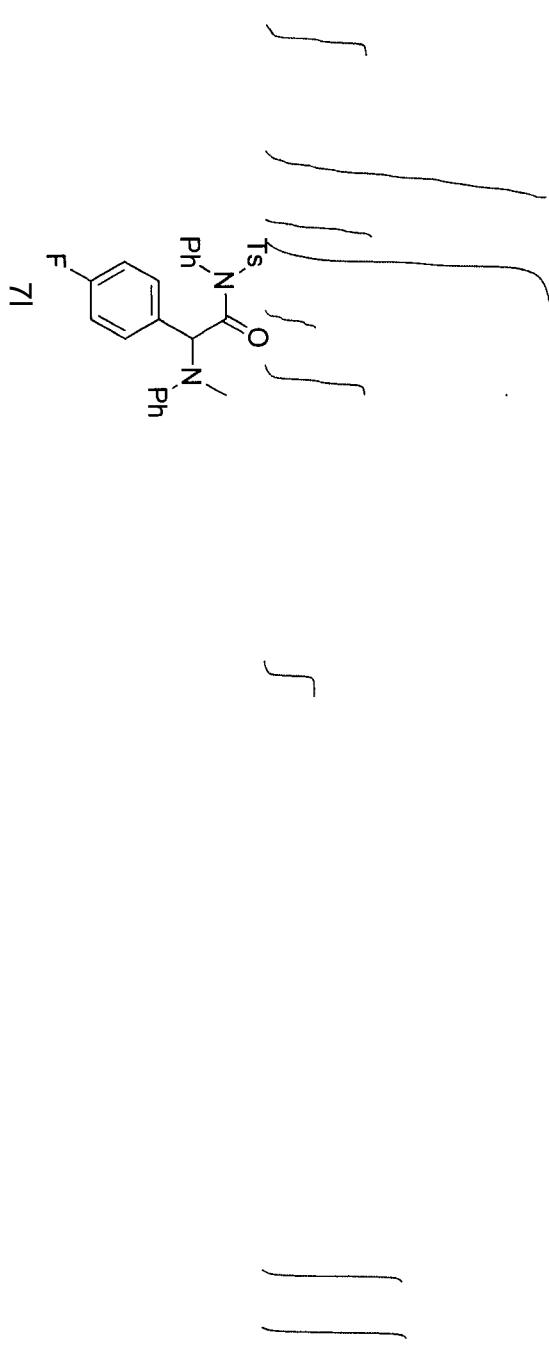
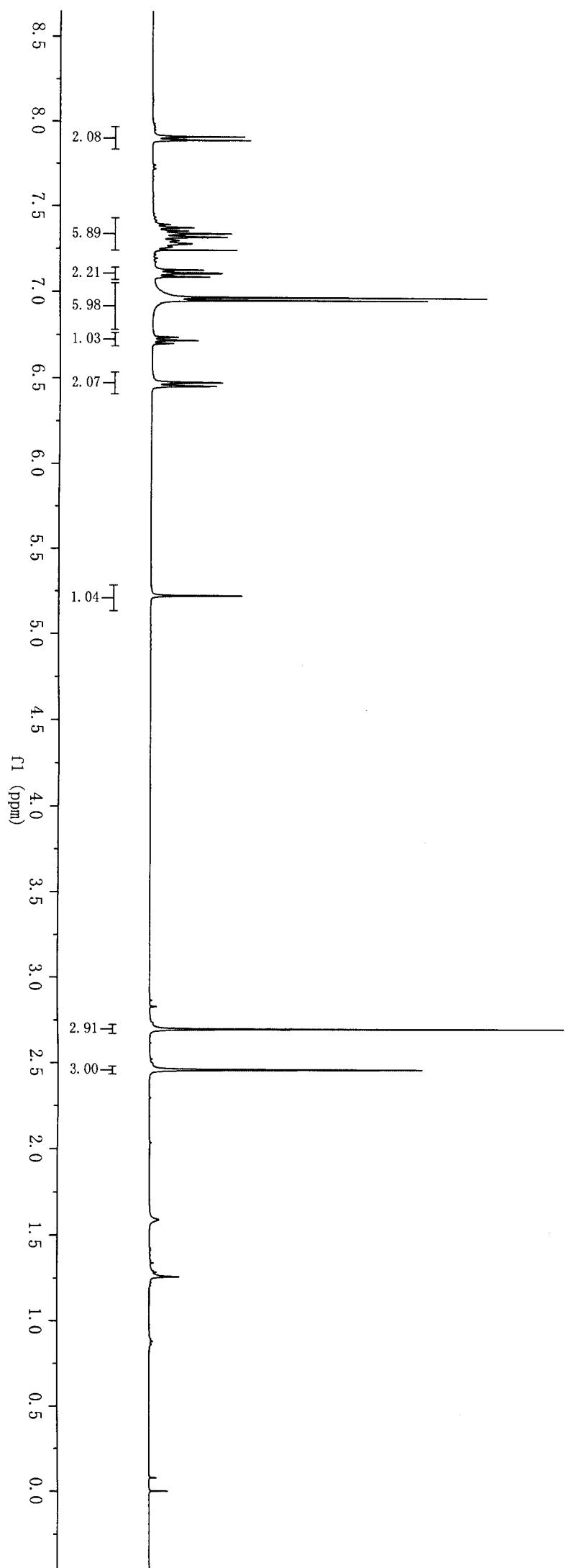


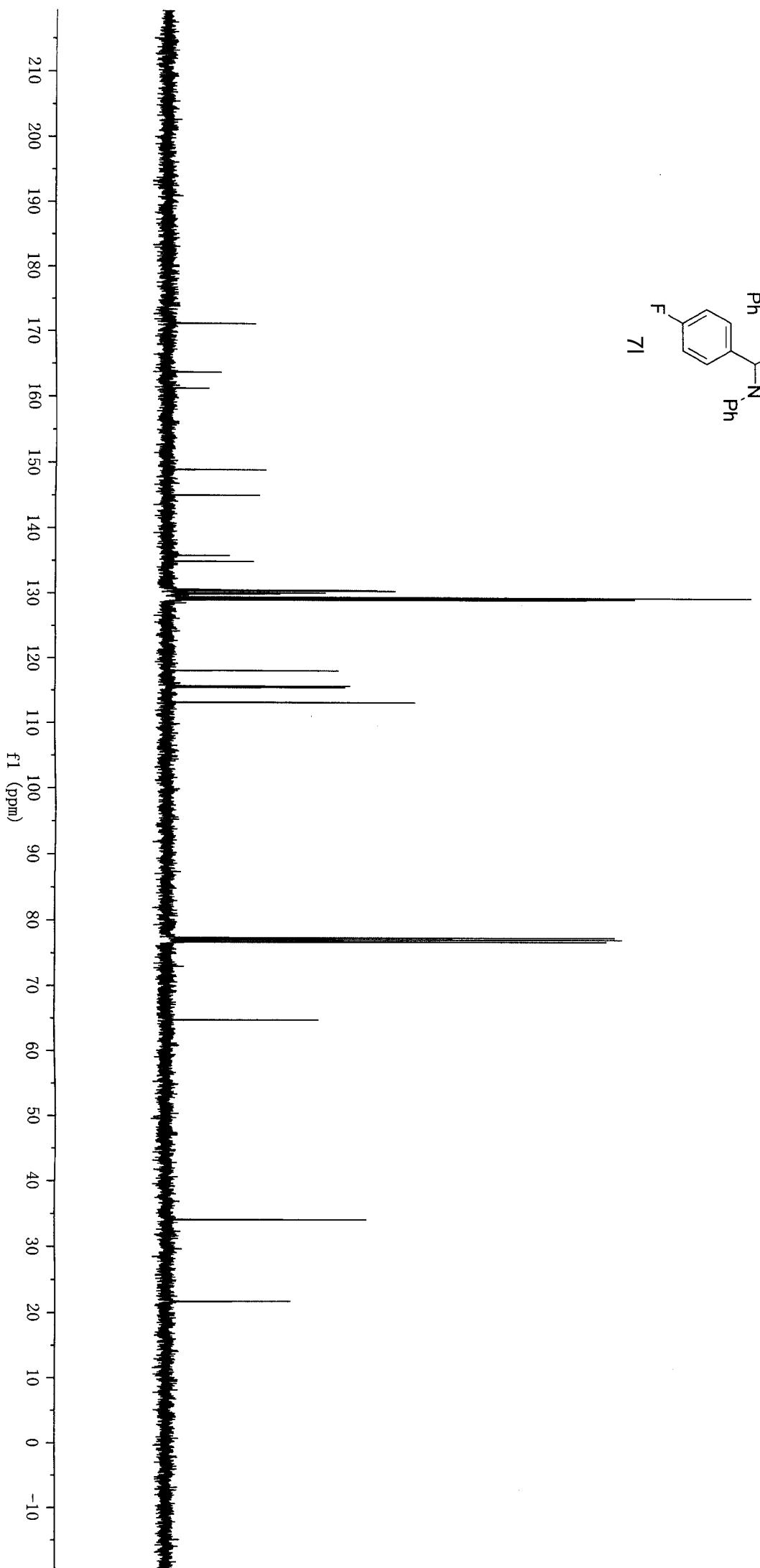


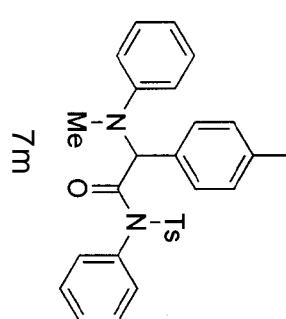
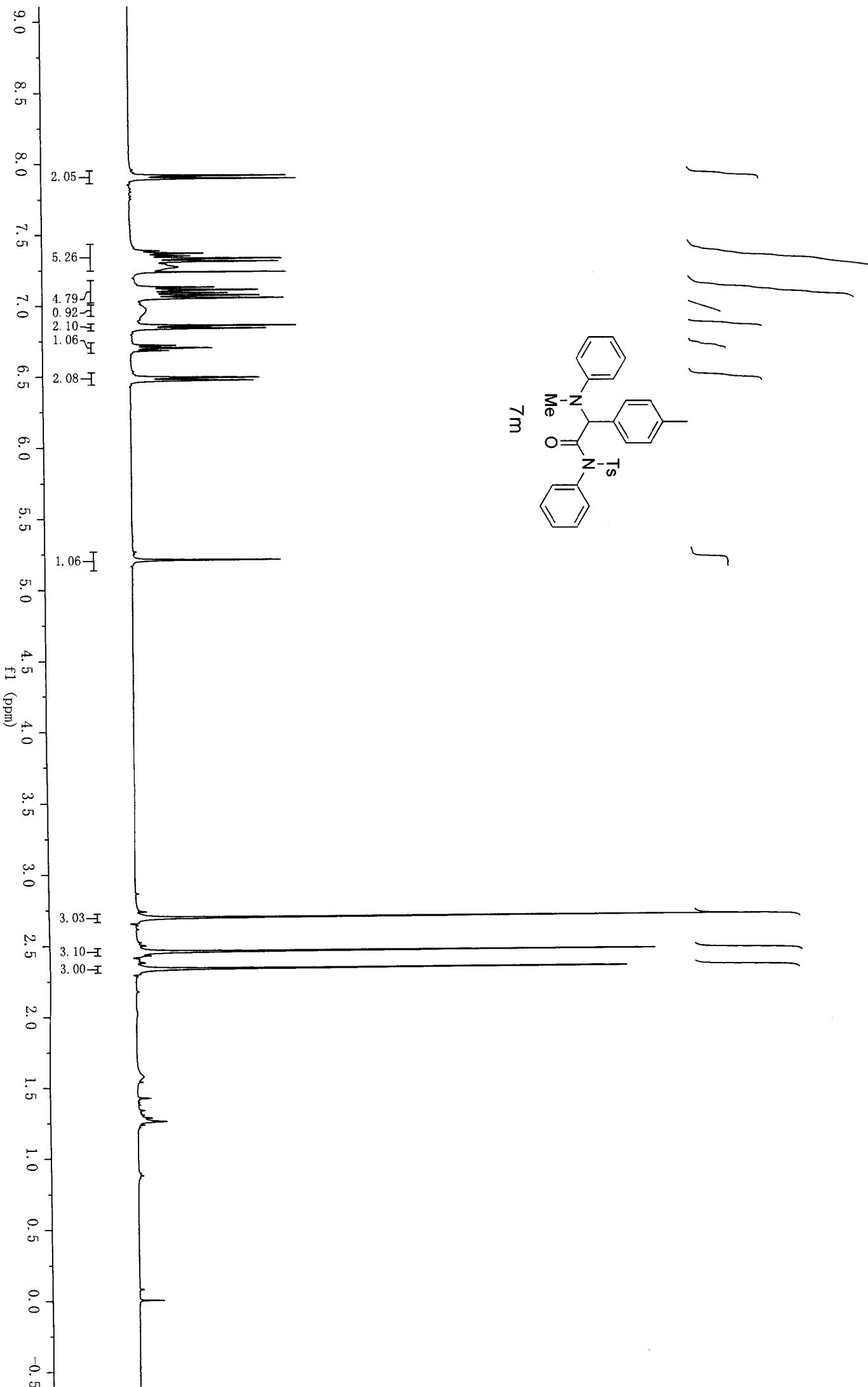
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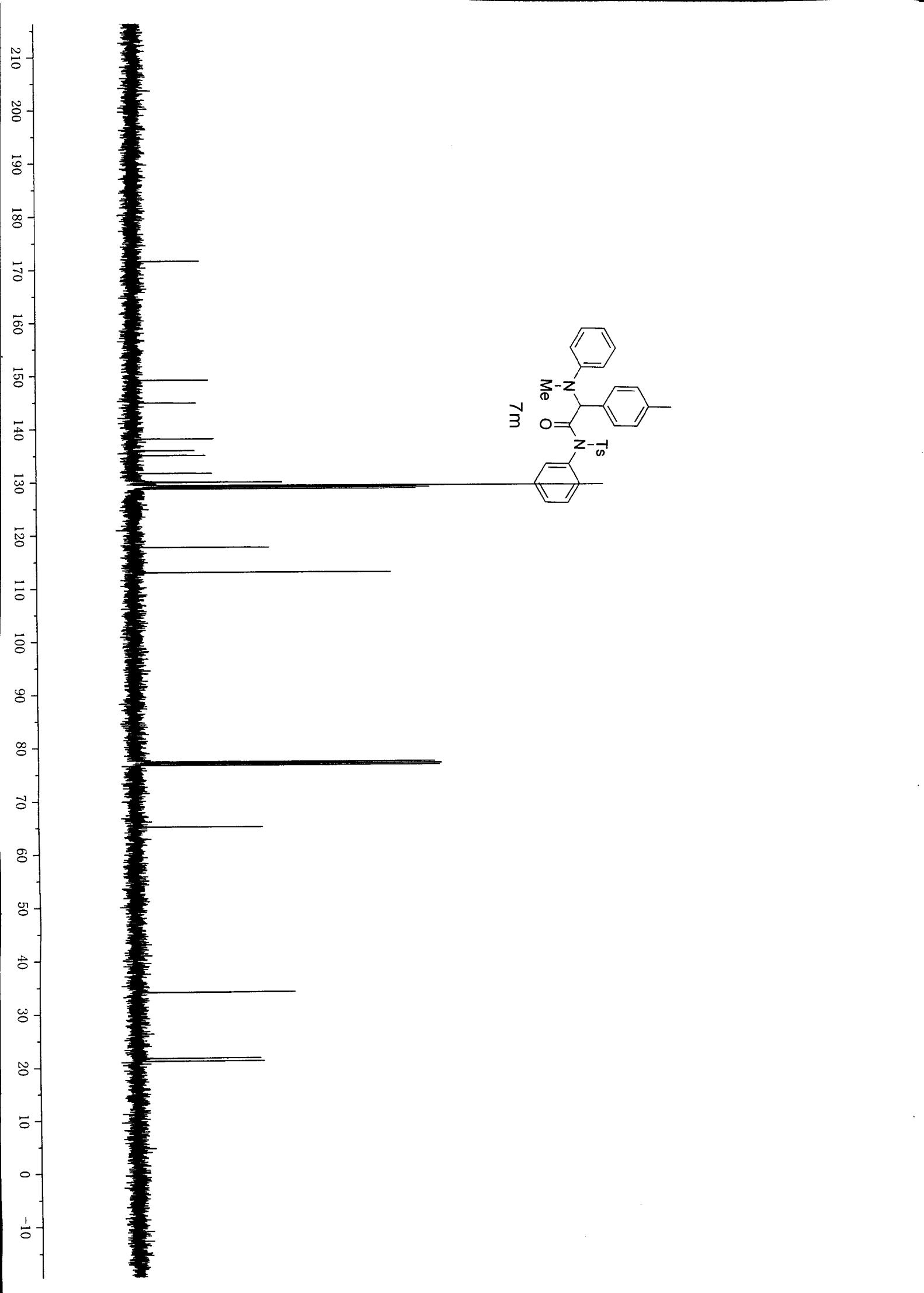


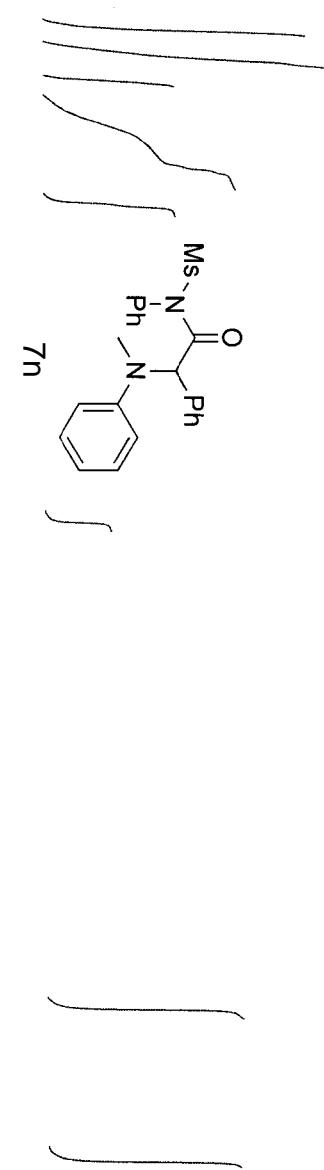
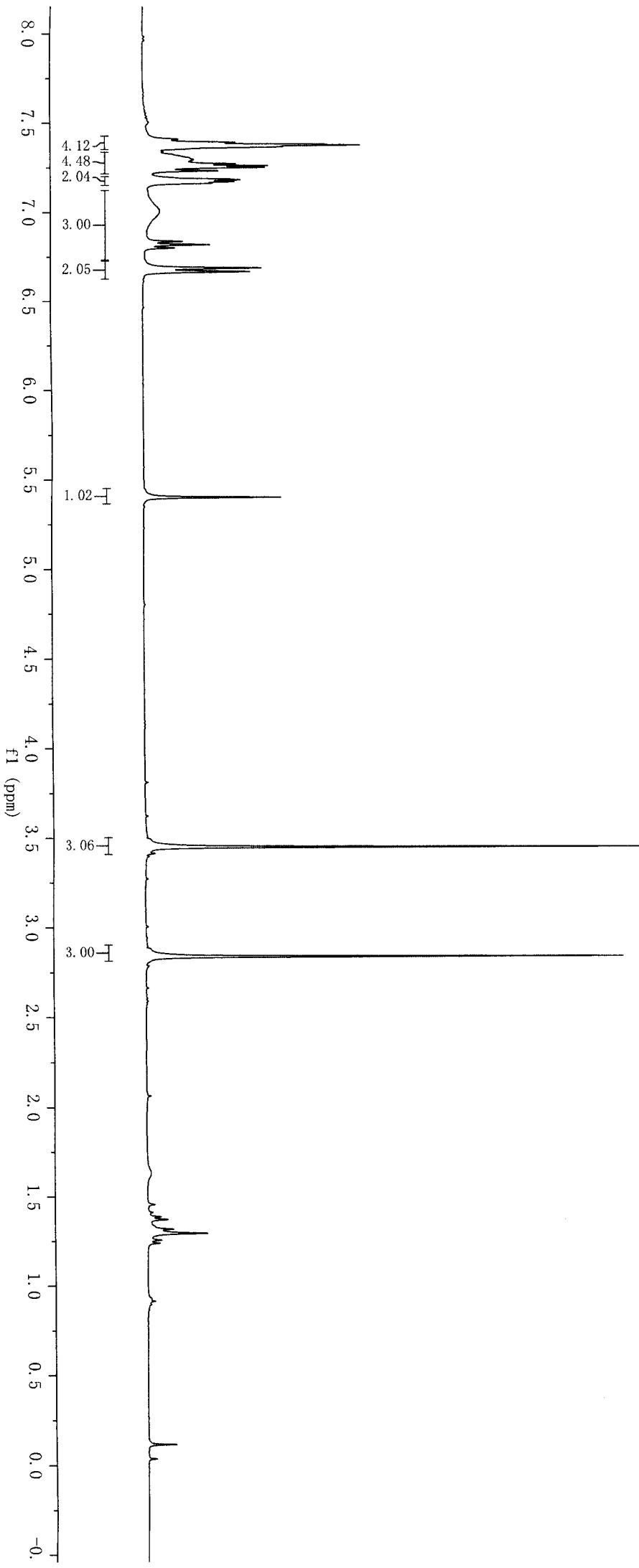


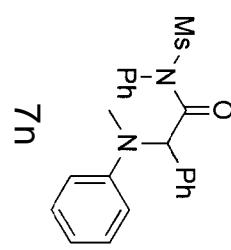




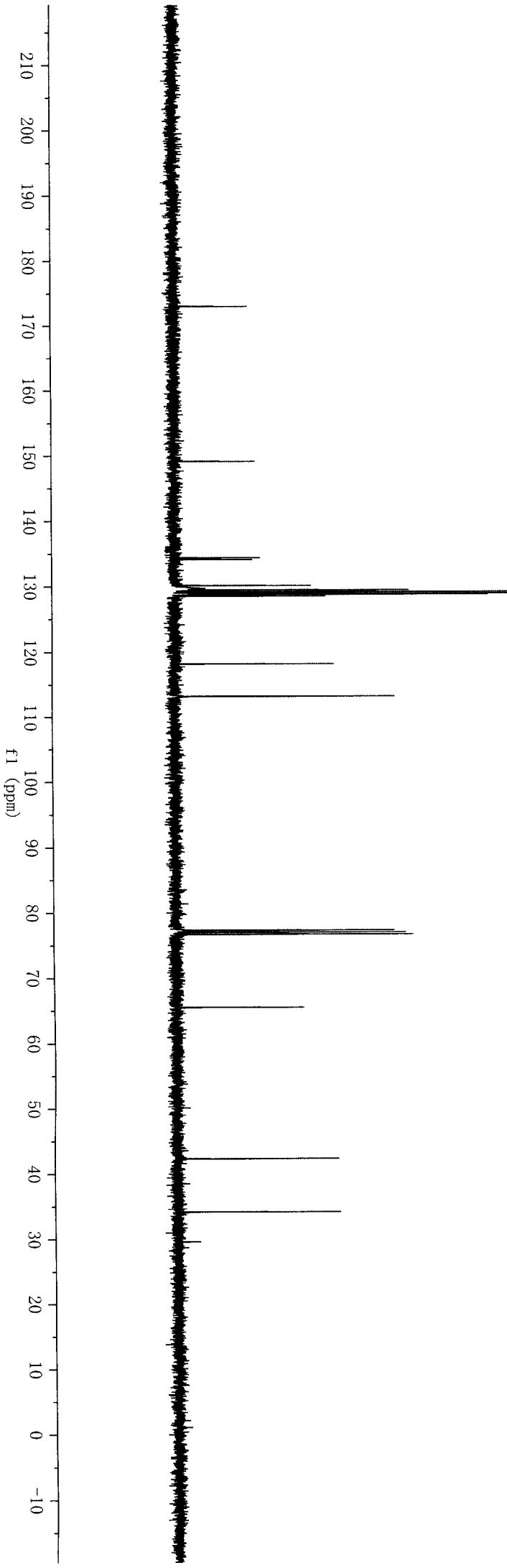


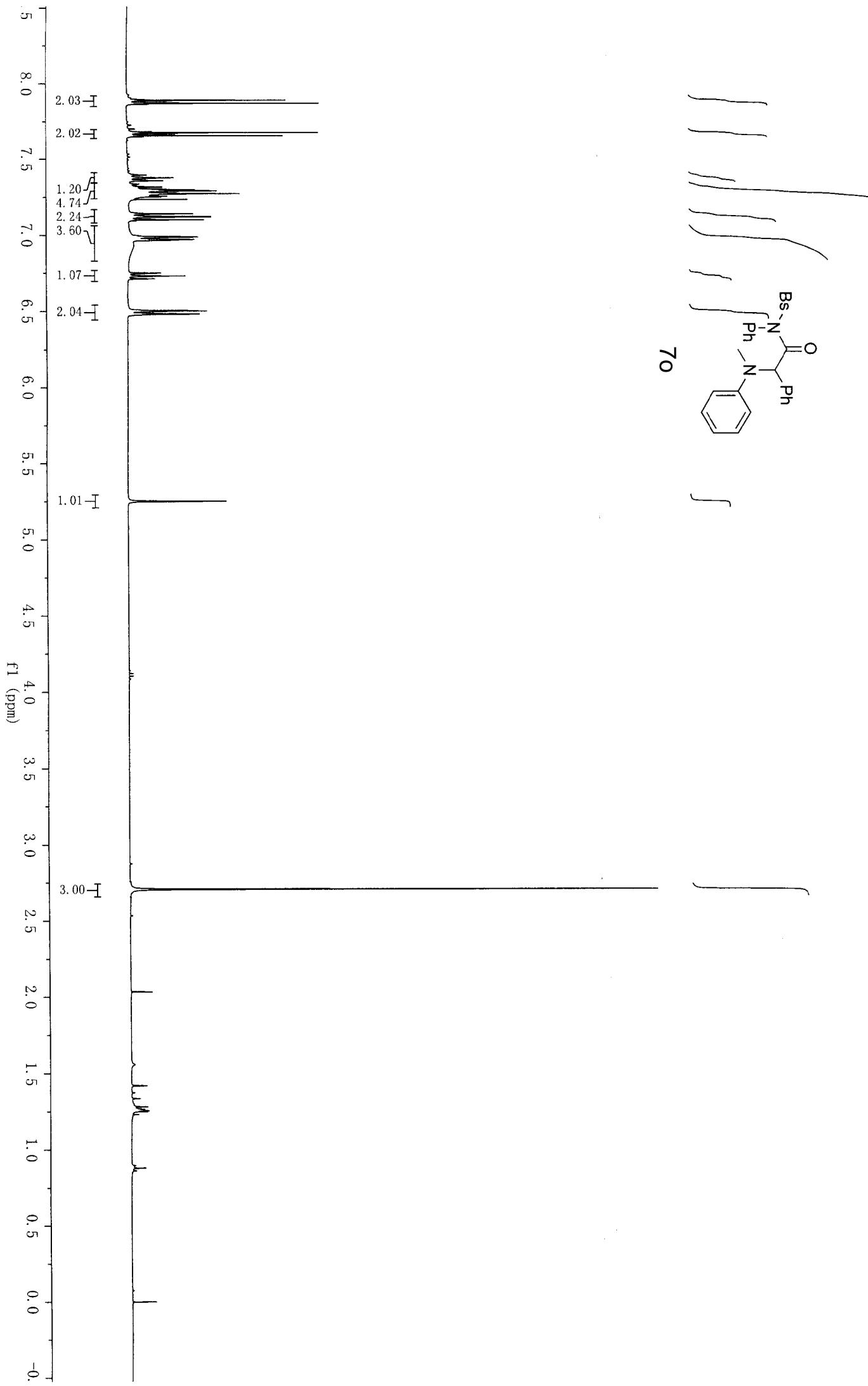






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