

## Electronic Supplementary Information

### Solvent-free *N*-iodosuccinimide-promoted synthesis of spiroimidazolines from alkenes and amidines under ball-milling conditions

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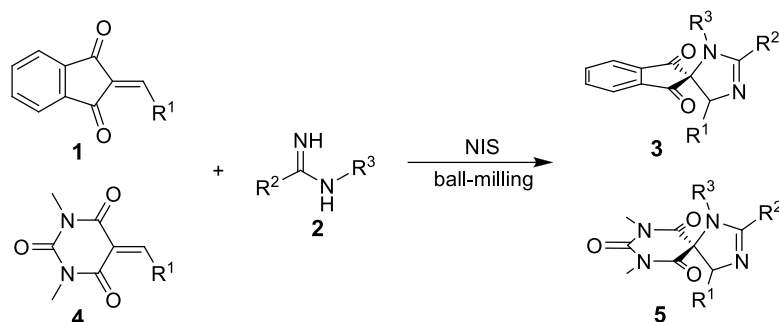
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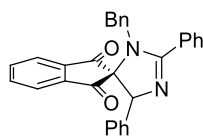
## 1. General information

All reagents were obtained from commercial sources and used without further purification. NMR spectra were recorded on a 400 MHz NMR spectrometer (400 MHz for  $^1\text{H}$  NMR; 101 MHz for  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR chemical shifts were determined relative to internal TMS at  $\delta$  0.0 ppm.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR chemical shifts were determined relative to  $\text{CDCl}_3$  at  $\delta$  77.16 ppm. Data for  $^1\text{H}$  NMR and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR are reported as follows: chemical shift ( $\delta$ , ppm), multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, m = multiplet, sept = septet). High-resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were measured with ESI-TOF in a positive mode. Ball-milling reactions were performed in a MM400 mixer mill (Retsch GmbH, Haan, Germany).

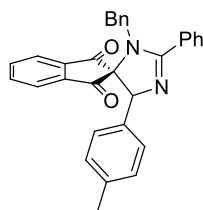
## 2. Synthesis and characterization of 3 and 5



A mixture of alkenes (0.2 mmol), amidines (0.3 mmol) and NIS (0.24 mmol) together with a stainless ball (10 mm in diameter) were introduced into a stainless steel jar (10 mL). The reaction vessel along with another identical empty vessel was closed and fixed on the vibration arms of a Retsch MM400 mixer mill, and was vibrated vigorously at a rate of 1800 rounds per minute (30 Hz) at room temperature for 20 min. After completion of the reaction, the reaction vessel was washed with acetone three times ( $3 \times 6$  mL), and the combined solution was evaporated to remove the solvent in vacuo. The residue was separated by flash column chromatography on silica gel with acetone/petroleum ether as the eluent to afford spiroimidazolines.

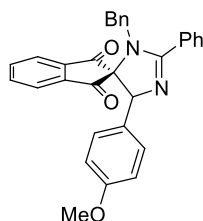


**3-Benzyl-2,5-diphenyl-3,5-dihydrospiro[imidazole-4,2'-indene]-1,3'-dione (3aa).** General procedure was followed to afford **3aa** as a yellow solid (79.4 mg, 90% yield);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.87–7.81 (m, 2H), 7.73 (d,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.67 (td,  $J = 7.4, 1.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.61 (td,  $J = 7.4, 1.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.53–7.45 (m, 3H), 7.40 (d,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.13–6.94 (m, 10H), 5.60 (s, 1H), 4.59 (d,  $J = 14.8$  Hz, 1H), 4.11 (d,  $J = 14.8$  Hz, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  199.4, 196.0, 167.4, 141.1, 140.9, 136.9, 136.1, 135.54, 135.49, 130.6, 130.4, 129.4 (2C), 128.8 (2C), 128.7 (2C), 128.1 (2C), 127.95 (4C), 127.92, 127.8, 123.0, 122.9, 80.3, 79.8, 50.6; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for  $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{23}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$   $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$  443.1760, found 443.1761.



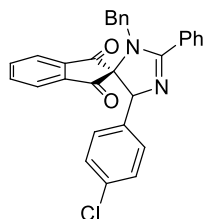
**3-Benzyl-2-phenyl-5-*p*-tolyl-3,5-dihydrospiro[imidazole-4,2'-indene]-1',3'-dione (3ba).**

General procedure was followed to afford **3ba** as a yellow solid (74.0 mg, 81% yield); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.87–7.80 (m, 2H), 7.73 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.67 (td, *J* = 7.3, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (td, *J* = 7.3, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.52–7.45 (m, 3H), 7.43 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.06–6.95 (m, 5H), 6.88 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 6.84 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 5.57 (s, 1H), 4.58 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 4.11 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 2.20 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 199.5, 196.1, 167.2, 141.1, 141.0, 137.4, 136.0, 135.53, 135.48, 133.9, 130.6, 130.4, 129.4 (2C), 128.9 (2C), 128.71 (2C), 128.65 (2C), 128.1 (2C), 127.9, 127.8 (2C), 123.0, 122.9, 80.2, 79.6, 50.6, 21.2; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>25</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> [M + H]<sup>+</sup> 457.1916, found 457.1926.



**3-Benzyl-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-phenyl-3,5-dihydrospiro[imidazole-4,2'-indene]-1',3'-dione (3ca).**

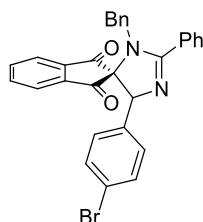
General procedure was followed to afford **3ca** as a yellow solid (71.0 mg, 75% yield); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.86–7.80 (m, 2H), 7.74–7.71 (m, 1H), 7.67 (td, *J* = 7.3, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (td, *J* = 7.3, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.52–7.46 (m, 3H), 7.46–7.42 (m, 1H), 7.06–6.96 (m, 5H), 6.88 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 6.61 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 5.55 (s, 1H), 4.59 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 4.12 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 3.69 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 199.5, 196.1, 167.1, 159.1, 141.1, 140.9, 136.1, 135.52, 135.50, 130.6, 130.4, 129.4 (2C), 129.14 (2C), 129.05, 128.8 (2C), 128.7 (2C), 128.1 (2C), 127.9, 123.0, 122.9, 113.3 (2C), 80.4, 79.5, 55.2, 50.6; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>25</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> [M + H]<sup>+</sup> 473.1865, found 473.1878.



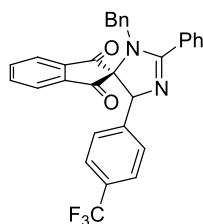
**3-Benzyl-5-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-phenyl-3,5-dihydrospiro[imidazole-4,2'-indene]-1',3'-dione (3da).**

General procedure was followed to afford **3da** as a yellow solid (79.9 mg, 84% yield); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.86–7.79 (m, 2H), 7.74–7.71 (m, 1H), 7.69 (td, *J* = 7.0, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (td, *J* = 7.0, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.53–7.44 (m, 4H), 7.06 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.04–6.95 (m, 5H), 6.91 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 5.56 (s, 1H), 4.58 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 4.11 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 199.2, 195.9, 167.6, 141.1, 140.8, 136.3, 135.8, 135.6, 135.2, 133.7, 130.5,

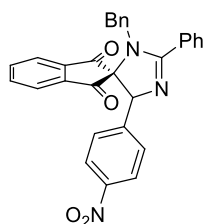
130.4, 129.5 (2C), 129.3 (2C), 128.8 (4C), 128.2 (2C), 128.1 (2C), 128.0, 123.1, 123.0, 79.8, 78.9, 50.6; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>22</sub><sup>35</sup>ClN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> [M + H]<sup>+</sup> 477.1370, found 477.1369.



**3-Benzyl-5-(4-bromophenyl)-2-phenyl-3,5-dihydrospiro[imidazole-4,2'-indene]-1',3'-dione (3ea).** General procedure was followed to afford **3ea** as a yellow solid (89.8 mg, 86% yield); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.86–7.79 (m, 2H), 7.74–7.71 (m, 1H), 7.69 (td, *J* = 6.9, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (td, *J* = 6.9, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.53–7.45 (m, 4H), 7.21 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.03–6.95 (m, 5H), 6.86 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 5.55 (s, 1H), 4.57 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 4.11 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 199.2, 195.9, 167.6, 141.1, 140.8, 136.3, 136.1, 135.8, 135.2, 131.1 (2C), 130.5, 130.3, 129.6 (2C), 129.5 (2C), 128.8 (4C), 128.1 (2C), 128.0, 123.08, 123.06, 122.0, 79.7, 78.9, 50.6; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>22</sub><sup>79</sup>BrN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> [M + H]<sup>+</sup> 521.0865, found 521.0861.

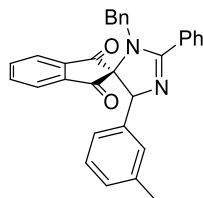


**3-Benzyl-2-phenyl-5-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-3,5-dihydrospiro[imidazole-4,2'-indene]-1',3'-dione (3fa).** General procedure was followed to afford **3fa** as a yellow solid (87.6 mg, 86% yield); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.87–7.81 (m, 2H), 7.74 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (td, *J* = 7.2, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (td, *J* = 7.2, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.55–7.47 (m, 3H), 7.43 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.35 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.11 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.04–6.95 (m, 5H), 5.64 (s, 1H), 4.58 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 4.12 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 199.1, 195.8, 167.9, 141.2, 141.1, 140.7, 136.4, 135.9, 135.1, 130.6, 130.3, 130.0 (q, *J* = 32.3 Hz), 129.5 (2C), 128.83 (2C), 128.79 (2C), 128.3 (2C), 128.13 (2C), 128.07, 124.9 (q, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 2C), 124.1 (q, *J* = 272.2 Hz), 123.1, 123.0, 79.6, 78.8, 50.6; <sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ -62.53 (s, 3F); HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>22</sub>F<sub>3</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> [M + H]<sup>+</sup> 511.1633, found 511.1635.



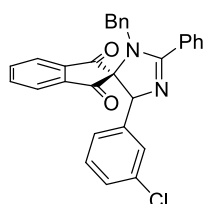
**3-Benzyl-5-(4-nitrophenyl)-2-phenyl-3,5-dihydrospiro[imidazole-4,2'-indene]-1',3'-dione (3ga).** General procedure was followed to afford **3ga** as a yellow solid (83.7 mg, 86% yield); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.97 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.88–7.81 (m, 2H), 7.77–7.73 (m, 1H), 7.73

(td,  $J = 7.5, 1.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.67 (td,  $J = 7.0, 1.9$  Hz, 1H), 7.57–7.49 (m, 3H), 7.44 (d,  $J = 7.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.18 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H), 7.03–6.94 (m, 5H), 5.68 (s, 1H), 4.58 (d,  $J = 14.7$  Hz, 1H), 4.13 (d,  $J = 14.7$  Hz, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  198.8, 195.7, 168.1, 147.5, 144.7, 141.0, 140.6, 136.6, 136.1, 134.8, 130.8, 130.0, 129.5 (2C), 128.90 (2C), 128.85 (2C), 128.76 (2C), 128.17, 128.15 (2C), 123.3, 123.2 (2C), 123.1, 79.1, 78.3, 50.6; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for  $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_3\text{O}_4$   $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$  488.1610, found 488.1612.



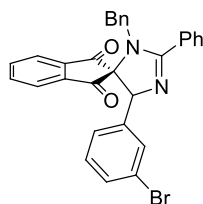
**3-Benzyl-2-phenyl-5-*m*-tolyl-3,5-dihydrospiro[imidazole-4,2'-indene]-1',3'-dione (3ha).**

General procedure was followed to afford **3ha** as a yellow solid (76.6 mg, 84% yield);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.88–7.81 (m, 2H), 7.74 (d,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.67 (td,  $J = 7.4, 1.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.62 (td,  $J = 7.4, 1.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.53–7.45 (m, 3H), 7.41 (d,  $J = 7.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.07–6.96 (m, 5H), 6.94 (t,  $J = 7.4$  Hz, 1H), 6.89 (d,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 1H), 6.78 (s, 1H), 6.70 (d,  $J = 7.3$  Hz, 1H), 5.57 (s, 1H), 4.58 (d,  $J = 14.8$  Hz, 1H), 4.12 (d,  $J = 14.8$  Hz, 1H), 2.12 (s, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  199.5, 196.0, 167.2, 141.2, 141.0, 137.5, 136.8, 136.0, 135.5, 135.4, 130.6, 130.4, 129.4 (2C), 128.9 (2C), 128.7 (2C), 128.6, 128.5, 128.1 (2C), 127.9, 127.7, 124.9, 123.0, 122.8, 80.4, 79.8, 50.6, 21.3; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for  $\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{25}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$   $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$  457.1916, found 457.1919.



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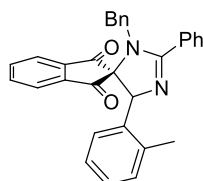
General procedure was followed to afford **3ia** as a yellow solid (85.4 mg, 90% yield);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.87–7.81 (m, 2H), 7.76–7.73 (m, 1H), 7.70 (td,  $J = 7.1, 1.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.66 (td,  $J = 7.1, 1.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.54–7.48 (m, 3H), 7.48–7.44 (m, 1H), 7.09 (ddd,  $J = 7.9, 1.9, 1.1$  Hz, 1H), 7.04–6.95 (m, 7H), 6.82 (d,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 1H), 5.56 (s, 1H), 4.58 (d,  $J = 14.8$  Hz, 1H), 4.12 (d,  $J = 14.8$  Hz, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  199.1, 195.7, 167.7, 141.0, 140.8, 139.1, 136.3, 135.8, 135.2, 134.1, 130.6, 130.3, 129.5 (2C), 129.2, 128.82 (2C), 128.80 (2C), 128.2, 128.12 (2C), 128.08, 128.02, 126.0, 123.1, 123.0, 79.8, 78.8, 50.6; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for  $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{22}^{35}\text{ClN}_2\text{O}_2$   $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$  477.1370, found 477.1377.



**3-Benzyl-5-(3-bromophenyl)-2-phenyl-3,5-dihydrospiro[imidazole-4,2'-indene]-1',3'-dione (3ja).**

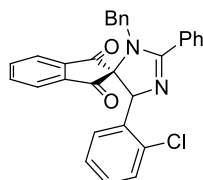
General procedure was followed to afford **3ja** as a yellow solid (97.3 mg, 93% yield);  $^1\text{H}$

NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.87–7.80 (m, 2H), 7.75 (d,  $J$  = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (td,  $J$  = 7.1, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (td,  $J$  = 7.1, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.54–7.48 (m, 3H), 7.46 (d,  $J$  = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 7.24 (d,  $J$  = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.10 (s, 1H), 7.05–6.97 (m, 5H), 6.95 (t,  $J$  = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.88 (d,  $J$  = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 5.54 (s, 1H), 4.58 (d,  $J$  = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 4.12 (d,  $J$  = 14.8 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  199.1, 195.7, 167.7, 141.0, 140.8, 139.4, 136.3, 135.8, 135.2, 131.05, 130.99, 130.6, 130.3, 129.5 (3C), 128.83 (2C), 128.80 (2C), 128.1 (2C), 128.0, 126.5, 123.2, 123.0, 122.2, 79.8, 78.8, 50.6; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>22</sub><sup>79</sup>BrN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> [M + H]<sup>+</sup> 521.0865, found 521.0867.



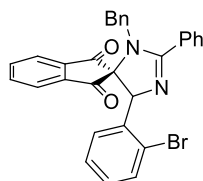
**3-Benzyl-2-phenyl-5-o-tolyl-3,5-dihydrospiro[imidazole-4,2'-indene]-1',3'-dione (3ka).**

General procedure was followed to afford **3ka** as a yellow solid (79.5 mg, 87% yield); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.88–7.81 (m, 2H), 7.73–7.68 (m, 1H), 7.65 (td,  $J$  = 7.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.60 (td,  $J$  = 7.2, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.52–7.46 (m, 3H), 7.45 (dd,  $J$  = 7.7, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 7.43–7.38 (m, 1H), 7.19 (t,  $J$  = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.07–6.95 (m, 6H), 6.74 (d,  $J$  = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 5.86 (s, 1H), 4.59 (d,  $J$  = 14.9 Hz, 1H), 4.15 (d,  $J$  = 14.9 Hz, 1H), 1.67 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  199.7, 195.9, 167.0, 141.3, 140.2, 136.2, 135.5 (2C), 135.0, 134.9, 130.6, 130.4, 130.2, 129.7, 129.4 (2C), 128.8 (2C), 128.7 (2C), 128.1 (2C), 127.9, 127.7, 126.1, 122.8, 122.6, 79.8, 76.0, 50.5, 19.2; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>25</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> [M + H]<sup>+</sup> 457.1916, found 457.1914.



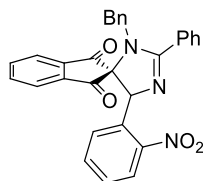
**3-Benzyl-5-(2-chlorophenyl)-2-phenyl-3,5-dihydrospiro[imidazole-4,2'-indene]-1',3'-dione (3la).**

General procedure was followed to afford **3la** as a yellow solid (85.2 mg, 89% yield); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.88–7.81 (m, 2H), 7.72 (d,  $J$  = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (td,  $J$  = 7.4, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.64–7.58 (m, 2H), 7.53–7.46 (m, 3H), 7.41 (d,  $J$  = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.30 (td,  $J$  = 7.6, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 7.09 (td,  $J$  = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.04–6.93 (m, 6H), 6.07 (s, 1H), 4.54 (d,  $J$  = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 4.16 (d,  $J$  = 15.0 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  199.1, 196.0, 167.5, 142.1, 140.1, 135.8, 135.7, 135.24, 135.23, 132.8, 131.6, 130.5, 130.4, 129.4 (2C), 129.1, 128.84 (2C), 128.78 (2C), 128.5, 128.0 (2C), 127.9, 127.0, 122.9, 122.6, 78.3, 75.1, 50.4; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>22</sub><sup>35</sup>ClN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> [M + H]<sup>+</sup> 477.1370, found 477.1376.



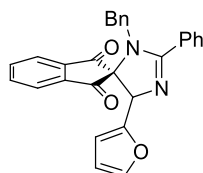
**3-Benzyl-5-(2-bromophenyl)-2-phenyl-3,5-dihydrospiro[imidazole-4,2'-indene]-1',3'-dione**

**(3ma)**. General procedure was followed to afford **3ma** as a yellow solid (93.4 mg, 90% yield);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.88–7.81 (m, 2H), 7.74 (d,  $J = 7.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.66 (td,  $J = 7.4, 1.1$  Hz, 1H), 7.61 (td,  $J = 7.4, 1.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.59 (dd,  $J = 7.8, 1.7$  Hz, 1H), 7.53–7.46 (m, 3H), 7.41 (d,  $J = 7.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.35 (td,  $J = 7.6, 1.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.16 (dd,  $J = 8.0, 1.1$  Hz, 1H), 7.05–6.93 (m, 6H), 6.07 (s, 1H), 4.54 (d,  $J = 15.0$  Hz, 1H), 4.18 (d,  $J = 15.0$  Hz, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  199.1, 195.9, 167.5, 142.3, 140.2, 136.8, 135.8, 135.7, 135.2, 132.0, 131.9, 130.5, 130.4, 129.44, 129.38 (2C), 128.84 (2C), 128.78 (2C), 128.0 (2C), 127.9, 127.5, 123.4, 123.0, 122.7, 78.2, 77.3, 50.4; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for  $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{22}^{79}\text{BrN}_2\text{O}_2$   $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$  521.0865, found 521.0869.



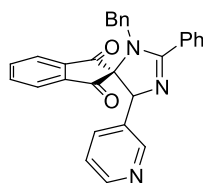
**3-Benzyl-5-(2-nitrophenyl)-2-phenyl-3,5-dihydrospiro[imidazole-4,2'-indene]-1',3'-dione**

**(3na)**. General procedure was followed to afford **3na** as a yellow solid (88.9 mg, 91% yield);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.89 (dd,  $J = 8.0, 1.3$  Hz, 1H), 7.88–7.83 (m, 2H), 7.82–7.75 (m, 2H), 7.72 (td,  $J = 7.7, 1.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.67 (td,  $J = 7.5, 0.9$  Hz, 1H), 7.56 (td,  $J = 7.5, 1.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.54–7.47 (m, 3H), 7.43–7.34 (m, 2H), 6.98–6.89 (m, 5H), 6.15 (s, 1H), 4.46 (d,  $J = 15.3$  Hz, 1H), 4.25 (d,  $J = 15.3$  Hz, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  199.6, 196.0, 167.6, 147.1, 142.0, 140.5, 135.9, 135.5, 135.0, 134.1, 133.6, 132.7, 130.8, 130.1, 129.2 (2C), 128.9 (3C), 128.8 (2C), 128.1 (2C), 128.0, 124.2, 123.1, 122.7, 76.3, 73.4, 50.3; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for  $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_3\text{O}_4$   $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$  488.1610, found 488.1619.



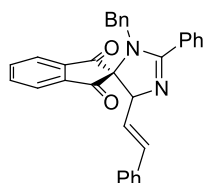
**3-Benzyl-5-(furan-2-yl)-2-phenyl-3,5-dihydrospiro[imidazole-4,2'-indene]-1',3'-dione (3oa)**

General procedure was followed to afford **3oa** as a yellow solid (67.6 mg, 78% yield);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.83–7.77 (m, 2H), 7.77–7.68 (m, 3H), 7.66–7.60 (m, 1H), 7.52–7.44 (m, 3H), 7.05–6.94 (m, 6H), 6.30 (d,  $J = 3.2$  Hz, 1H), 6.22 (dd,  $J = 3.2, 1.8$  Hz, 1H), 5.61 (s, 1H), 4.53 (d,  $J = 14.9$  Hz, 1H), 4.15 (d,  $J = 14.9$  Hz, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  198.8, 195.4, 167.7, 151.1, 142.1, 141.0, 140.9, 136.1, 135.6, 135.2, 130.5, 130.3, 129.4 (2C), 128.9 (2C), 128.7 (2C), 128.1 (2C), 128.0, 123.3, 122.8, 110.6, 108.9, 77.9, 73.4, 50.4; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for  $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{21}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3$   $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$  433.1552, found 433.1558.



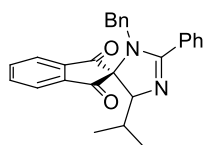
**3-Benzyl-2-phenyl-5-(pyridin-3-yl)-3,5-dihydrospiro[imidazole-4,2'-indene]-1',3'-dione (3pa)**

General procedure was followed to afford **3pa** as a yellow oil (79.2 mg, 89% yield);  $^1\text{H NMR}$  (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.36 (d,  $J = 4.4$  Hz, 1H), 8.00 (s, 1H), 7.87–7.80 (m, 2H), 7.74 (d,  $J = 7.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.70 (t,  $J = 7.3$  Hz, 1H), 7.64 (t,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.59 (d,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 1H), 7.55–7.47 (m, 3H), 7.43 (d,  $J = 7.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.16 (dd,  $J = 7.7, 4.9$  Hz, 1H), 7.05–6.93 (m, 5H), 5.60 (s, 1H), 4.58 (d,  $J = 14.8$  Hz, 1H), 4.14 (d,  $J = 14.8$  Hz, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C NMR}$  (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  198.8, 195.9, 168.0, 149.3, 148.8, 141.0, 140.6, 136.5, 136.14, 136.05, 135.0, 132.9, 130.6, 130.2, 129.5 (2C), 128.83 (2C), 128.76 (2C), 128.12 (2C), 128.08, 123.3, 123.2, 123.0, 79.4, 76.8, 50.6; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for  $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_3\text{O}_2$   $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$  444.1712, found 444.1714.



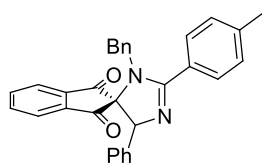
**(E)-3-Benzyl-2-phenyl-5-styryl-3,5-dihydrospiro[imidazole-4,2'-indene]-1',3'-dione (3qa).**

General procedure by extending the reaction time to 30 min was followed to afford **3qa** as a yellow solid (68.5 mg, 73% yield);  $^1\text{H NMR}$  (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.83–7.76 (m, 2H), 7.76–7.65 (m, 4H), 7.51–7.43 (m, 3H), 7.24–7.12 (m, 5H), 7.08–6.95 (m, 5H), 6.32 (d,  $J = 15.8$  Hz, 1H), 6.11 (dd,  $J = 15.8, 8.6$  Hz, 1H), 5.06 (d,  $J = 8.6$  Hz, 1H), 4.51 (d,  $J = 14.8$  Hz, 1H), 4.23 (d,  $J = 14.8$  Hz, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C NMR}$  (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  199.0, 196.3, 166.7, 141.02, 140.99, 136.3, 136.2, 135.8, 135.3, 133.9, 130.42, 130.38, 129.5 (2C), 128.8 (2C), 128.7 (2C), 128.4 (2C), 128.1 (2C), 128.0, 127.9, 126.7 (2C), 125.8, 123.2 (2C), 78.7, 77.9, 50.4; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for  $\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{25}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$   $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$  469.1916, found 469.1916.



**3-Benzyl-5-isopropyl-2-phenyl-3,5-dihydrospiro[imidazole-4,2'-indene]-1',3'-dione (3ra).**

General procedure was followed to afford **3ra** as a yellow solid (74.2 mg, 91% yield);  $^1\text{H NMR}$  (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.84 (d,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.76 (td,  $J = 7.3, 0.9$  Hz, 1H), 7.73–7.66 (m, 3H), 7.64 (d,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.46–7.39 (m, 3H), 7.01–6.89 (m, 5H), 4.42 (d,  $J = 15.2$  Hz, 1H), 4.21 (d,  $J = 8.5$  Hz, 1H), 4.00 (d,  $J = 15.2$  Hz, 1H), 2.01–1.88 (m, 1H), 1.16 (d,  $J = 6.6$  Hz, 3H), 0.52 (d,  $J = 6.6$  Hz, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C NMR}$  (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  200.2, 197.5, 164.7, 141.5, 140.6, 136.0, 135.9, 135.6, 130.6, 130.1, 129.1 (2C), 128.7 (2C), 128.6 (2C), 127.9 (2C), 127.7, 123.3, 122.6, 83.0, 76.8, 50.2, 30.6, 21.3, 20.3; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for  $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{25}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$   $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$  409.1916, found 409.1922.

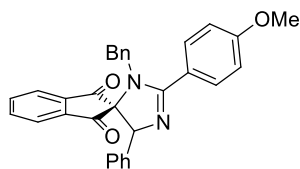


**3-Benzyl-5-phenyl-2-p-tolyl-3,5-dihydrospiro[imidazole-4,2'-indene]-1',3'-dione (3ab).**

General procedure was followed to afford **3ab** as a yellow solid (76.2 mg, 83% yield);  $^1\text{H NMR}$  (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.73 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H), 7.72 (d,  $J = 7.3$  Hz, 1H), 7.66 (t,  $J = 7.3$  Hz, 1H),

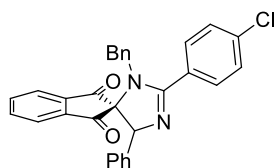


7.60 (t,  $J = 7.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.39 (d,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.29 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H), 7.12–6.93 (m, 10H), 5.58 (s, 1H), 4.61 (d,  $J = 14.9$  Hz, 1H), 4.12 (d,  $J = 14.9$  Hz, 1H), 2.42 (s, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  199.5, 196.1, 167.4, 141.1, 140.9, 140.5, 137.0, 136.1, 135.6, 135.5, 129.41 (2C), 129.38 (2C), 128.8 (2C), 128.1 (2C), 128.0 (2C), 127.92 (2C), 127.87, 127.81, 127.6, 123.0, 122.8, 80.2, 79.8, 50.6, 21.6; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for  $\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{25}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$   $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$  457.1916, found 457.1915.



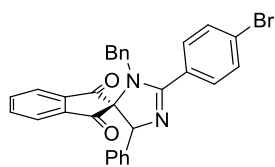
**3-Benzyl-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-5-phenyl-3,5-dihydrospiro[imidazole-4,2'-indene]-1',3'-dione**

**(3ac).** General procedure was followed to afford **3ac** as a yellow solid (70.9 mg, 75% yield);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.79 (d,  $J = 8.8$  Hz, 2H), 7.74 (d,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.67 (td,  $J = 7.4$ , 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (td,  $J = 7.4$ , 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (d,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.12–7.03 (m, 5H), 7.03–6.93 (m, 7H), 5.58 (s, 1H), 4.63 (d,  $J = 15.0$  Hz, 1H), 4.15 (d,  $J = 15.0$  Hz, 1H), 3.86 (s, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  199.5, 196.2, 167.2, 161.3, 141.1, 141.0, 137.1, 136.1, 135.7, 135.5, 130.4 (2C), 129.3 (2C), 128.1 (2C), 127.99 (2C), 127.95 (2C), 127.88, 127.85, 123.0, 122.9, 122.7, 114.1 (2C), 80.3, 79.7, 55.5, 50.7; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for  $\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{25}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3$   $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$  473.1865, found 473.1865.



**3-Benzyl-2-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-phenyl-3,5-dihydrospiro[imidazole-4,2'-indene]-1',3'-dione**

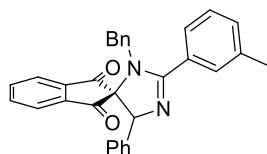
**(3ad).** General procedure was followed to afford **3ad** as a yellow solid (85.9 mg, 90% yield);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.77 (d,  $J = 8.5$  Hz, 2H), 7.74 (d,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 1H), 7.68 (td,  $J = 7.4$ , 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (td,  $J = 7.4$ , 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.46 (d,  $J = 8.5$  Hz, 2H), 7.40 (d,  $J = 7.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.13–6.98 (m, 8H), 6.97–6.91 (m, 2H), 5.58 (s, 1H), 4.55 (d,  $J = 14.9$  Hz, 1H), 4.10 (d,  $J = 14.9$  Hz, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  199.2, 195.9, 166.4, 141.1, 140.9, 136.6, 136.5, 136.2, 135.6, 135.3, 130.2 (2C), 129.3 (2C), 129.03 (2C), 128.99, 128.2 (2C), 128.00 (3C), 127.95, 127.91 (2C), 123.1, 122.9, 80.5, 79.7, 50.6; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for  $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{22}^{35}\text{ClN}_2\text{O}_2$   $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$  477.1370, found 477.1371.



**3-Benzyl-2-(4-bromophenyl)-5-phenyl-3,5-dihydrospiro[imidazole-4,2'-indene]-1',3'-dione**

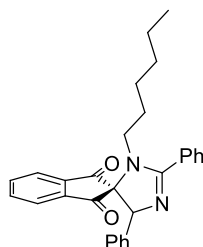
**(3ae).** General procedure was followed to afford **3ae** as a yellow solid (91.7 mg, 88% yield);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.74 (d,  $J = 7.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.70 (d,  $J = 8.5$  Hz, 2H), 7.68 (td,  $J = 7.5$ , 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.619 (d,  $J = 8.5$  Hz, 2H), 7.616 (td,  $J = 7.5$ , 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (d,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.13–6.97 (m, 8H), 6.97–6.91 (m, 2H), 5.58 (s, 1H), 4.54 (d,  $J = 14.9$  Hz, 1H), 4.10 (d,  $J = 14.9$  Hz, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  199.2, 195.9, 166.5, 141.1, 140.9, 136.6, 136.2, 135.6, 135.3, 132.0 (2C), 130.4 (2C), 129.5, 129.3 (2C), 128.2 (2C), 128.01, 127.99 (2C), 127.95, 127.90 (2C), 124.8,

123.0, 122.9, 80.4, 79.7, 50.6; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>22</sub><sup>79</sup>BrN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> [M + H]<sup>+</sup> 521.0865, found 521.0863.



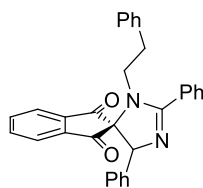
**3-Benzyl-5-phenyl-2-m-tolyl-3,5-dihydrospiro[imidazole-4,2'-indene]-1',3'-dione (3af).**

General procedure was followed to afford **3af** as a yellow solid (75.3 mg, 82% yield); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.73 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.69–7.64 (m, 2H), 7.64–7.57 (m, 2H), 7.40 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.30 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.12–6.93 (m, 10H), 5.59 (s, 1H), 4.59 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 4.11 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 2.42 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 199.4, 196.0, 167.6, 141.1, 140.9, 138.6, 136.9, 136.1, 135.6, 135.5, 131.1, 130.4, 129.6, 129.4 (2C), 128.5, 128.1 (2C), 127.93 (2C), 127.91 (2C), 127.87, 127.81, 125.7, 123.0, 122.8, 80.3, 79.7, 50.6, 21.5; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>25</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> [M + H]<sup>+</sup> 457.1916, found 457.1913.



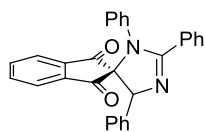
**3-Hexyl-2,5-diphenyl-3,5-dihydrospiro[imidazole-4,2'-indene]-1',3'-dione (3ag).**

General procedure was followed to afford **3ag** as a yellow oil (69.8 mg, 80% yield); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.06 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.85 (td, *J* = 7.5, 0.7 Hz, 1H), 7.79–7.73 (m, 2H), 7.74 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.54–7.47 (m, 4H), 7.13–7.04 (m, 3H), 6.99–6.92 (m, 2H), 5.56 (s, 1H), 3.29 (ddd, *J* = 14.5, 9.4, 6.3 Hz, 1H), 2.96 (ddd, *J* = 14.5, 9.8, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 1.31–0.97 (m, 8H), 0.75 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 199.9, 196.3, 167.7, 141.1, 140.9, 136.9, 136.5, 136.0, 130.8, 130.2, 128.7 (2C), 128.5 (2C), 128.0 (2C), 127.9 (2C), 127.8, 123.5, 123.2, 81.5, 80.3, 46.1, 31.1, 30.2, 26.3, 22.4, 13.9; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>29</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> [M + H]<sup>+</sup> 437.2229, found 437.2230.

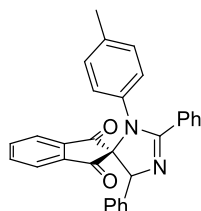


**3-Phenethyl-2,5-diphenyl-3,5-dihydrospiro[imidazole-4,2'-indene]-1',3'-dione (3ah).**

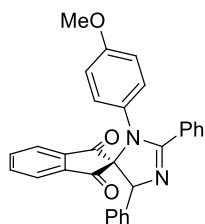
General procedure was followed to afford **3ah** as a yellow solid (78.5 mg, 86% yield); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.06 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.85 (td, *J* = 7.5, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 7.74 (td, *J* = 7.5, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 7.67–7.61 (m, 2H), 7.51 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.49–7.42 (m, 3H), 7.16–7.05 (m, 6H), 6.98–6.93 (m, 2H), 6.93–6.88 (m, 2H), 5.57 (s, 1H), 3.53 (ddd, *J* = 14.8, 9.9, 6.5 Hz, 1H), 3.21 (ddd, *J* = 14.8, 9.7, 5.7 Hz, 1H), 2.63 (ddd, *J* = 13.6, 9.7, 6.5 Hz, 1H), 2.53 (ddd, *J* = 13.6, 9.9, 5.7 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 199.8, 196.5, 167.6, 141.3, 141.0, 138.1, 136.8, 136.6, 136.0, 130.6, 130.3, 128.8 (2C), 128.7 (2C), 128.6 (2C), 128.5 (2C), 128.1 (2C), 128.0 (3C), 126.5, 123.6, 123.3, 82.1, 80.5, 47.7, 36.8; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>25</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> [M + H]<sup>+</sup> 457.1916, found 457.1920.



**2,3,5-Triphenyl-3,5-dihydrospiro[imidazole-4,2'-indene]-1',3'-dione (3ai).** General procedure was followed to afford **3ai** as a yellow solid (76.9 mg, 90% yield);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.01 (d,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.80 (t,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.69 (t,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.62 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H), 7.46 (d,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.37 (t,  $J = 7.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.29 (t,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 2H), 7.17–6.97 (m, 8H), 6.95 (d,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 2H), 5.77 (s, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  199.0, 195.7, 164.5, 141.8, 141.2, 139.6, 136.6 (2C), 136.0, 130.4, 129.9, 129.4 (2C), 129.0 (2C), 128.2 (4C), 128.1 (3C), 127.3 (2C), 126.5, 123.7, 123.4, 83.5, 80.1; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for  $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{21}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$   $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$  429.1603, found 429.1601.

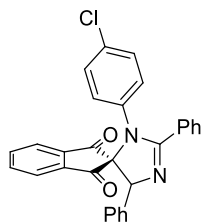


**2,5-Diphenyl-3-*p*-tolyl-3,5-dihydrospiro[imidazole-4,2'-indene]-1',3'-dione (3aj).** General procedure was followed to afford **3aj** as a yellow solid (81.4 mg, 92% yield);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.00 (d,  $J = 7.7$  Hz, 1H), 7.77 (td,  $J = 7.5, 0.9$  Hz, 1H), 7.66 (td,  $J = 7.5, 0.9$  Hz, 1H), 7.65–7.60 (m, 2H), 7.44 (d,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.36 (t,  $J = 7.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.27 (t,  $J = 7.4$  Hz, 2H), 7.16–7.08 (m, 3H), 7.06–7.00 (m, 2H), 6.86 (d,  $J = 8.8$  Hz, 2H), 6.84 (d,  $J = 8.8$  Hz, 2H), 5.76 (s, 1H), 2.14 (s, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  199.2, 195.8, 164.6, 141.7, 141.2, 137.0, 136.7, 136.5, 136.3, 135.9, 130.2, 129.9, 129.6 (2C), 129.3 (2C), 128.11 (2C), 128.08 (2C), 128.02 (2C), 127.99, 127.3 (2C), 123.6, 123.3, 83.4, 79.9, 21.0; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for  $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{23}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$   $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$  443.1760, found 443.1755.



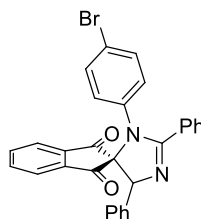
**3-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-2,5-diphenyl-3,5-dihydrospiro[imidazole-4,2'-indene]-1',3'-dione (3ak).** General procedure was followed to afford **3ak** as a yellow solid (82.5 mg, 90% yield);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.00 (d,  $J = 7.7$  Hz, 1H), 7.78 (td,  $J = 7.5, 0.9$  Hz, 1H), 7.66 (td,  $J = 7.5, 1.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.64–7.59 (m, 2H), 7.44 (d,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.35 (t,  $J = 7.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.27 (t,  $J = 7.4$  Hz, 2H), 7.14–7.08 (m, 3H), 7.06–7.01 (m, 2H), 6.98 (d,  $J = 9.0$  Hz, 2H), 6.58 (d,  $J = 9.0$  Hz, 2H), 5.75 (s, 1H), 3.63 (s, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  199.3, 195.9, 164.8, 158.1, 141.8, 141.3, 136.8, 136.5, 135.9, 132.4, 130.2, 129.8, 129.5 (2C), 129.3 (2C), 128.10 (2C), 128.08 (2C), 128.05 (2C), 127.99, 123.6, 123.3, 114.0 (2C), 83.7, 79.7, 55.3; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for  $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{23}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3$   $[\text{M} +$

H]<sup>+</sup> 459.1709, found 459.1711.



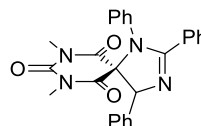
**3-(4-Chlorophenyl)-2,5-diphenyl-3,5-dihydrospiro[imidazole-4,2'-indene]-1',3'-dione (3al).**

General procedure was followed to afford **3al** as a yellow solid (82.4 mg, 89% yield); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.02 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.81 (td, *J* = 7.5, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (td, *J* = 7.5, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 7.64–7.59 (m, 2H), 7.45 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.31 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.17–7.08 (m, 3H), 7.02 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.03–6.98 (m, 2H), 6.90 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 5.75 (s, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 198.7, 195.5, 164.2, 141.7, 141.1, 138.3, 136.7, 136.3, 136.1, 132.1, 130.6, 129.5, 129.3 (2C), 129.1 (2C), 128.6 (2C), 128.3 (2C), 128.2, 128.1 (4C), 123.7, 123.5, 83.5, 80.1; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>20</sub><sup>35</sup>ClN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> [M + H]<sup>+</sup> 463.1213, found 463.1221.



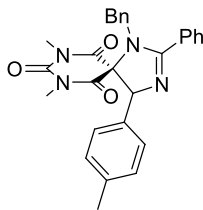
**3-(4-Bromophenyl)-2,5-diphenyl-3,5-dihydrospiro[imidazole-4,2'-indene]-1',3'-dione (3am).**

General procedure was followed to afford **3am** as a yellow solid (95.3 mg, 94% yield); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.02 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.81 (td, *J* = 7.5, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (td, *J* = 7.5, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 7.64–7.59 (m, 2H), 7.46 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.32 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.17 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.15–7.08 (m, 3H), 7.03–6.98 (m, 2H), 6.82 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 5.75 (s, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 198.6, 195.5, 164.1, 141.7, 141.1, 138.8, 136.7, 136.3, 136.1, 132.1 (2C), 130.6, 129.5, 129.3 (2C), 128.8 (2C), 128.4 (2C), 128.2, 128.1 (4C), 123.7, 123.5, 120.1, 83.4, 80.1; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>20</sub><sup>79</sup>BrN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> [M + H]<sup>+</sup> 507.0708, found 507.0700.

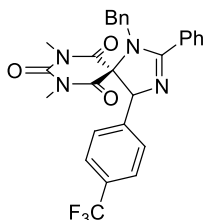


**1-Benzyl-7,9-dimethyl-2,4-diphenyl-1,3,7,9-tetraazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene-6,8,10-trione (5aa).**

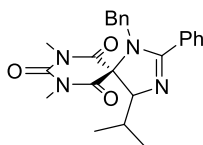
General procedure was followed to afford **5aa** as a white solid (63.7 mg, 70% yield); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.80–7.73 (m, 2H), 7.51–7.45 (m, 3H), 7.32–7.27 (m, 3H), 7.23–7.12 (m, 7H), 5.61 (s, 1H), 4.55 (d, *J* = 13.8 Hz, 1H), 4.18 (d, *J* = 13.8 Hz, 1H), 3.12 (s, 3H), 2.53 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 169.7, 167.5, 166.0, 149.8, 136.3, 134.5, 130.4, 130.3 (3C), 128.8, 128.7 (4C), 128.4 (2C), 128.32, 128.27 (2C), 127.5 (2C), 83.1, 80.0, 50.8, 29.1, 28.0; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>25</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>3</sub> [M + H]<sup>+</sup> 453.1927, found 453.1930.



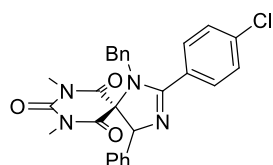
**1-Benzyl-7,9-dimethyl-2-phenyl-4-p-tolyl-1,3,7,9-tetraazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene-6,8,10-trione (5ba).** General procedure was followed to afford **5ba** as a white solid (62.5 mg, 67% yield);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.79–7.72 (m, 2H), 7.50–7.43 (m, 3H), 7.23–7.17 (m, 3H), 7.17–7.12 (m, 2H), 7.09 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 2H), 7.04 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 2H), 5.57 (s, 1H), 4.54 (d,  $J = 13.9$  Hz, 1H), 4.18 (d,  $J = 13.9$  Hz, 1H), 3.12 (s, 3H), 2.55 (s, 3H), 2.30 (s, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  169.7, 167.4, 166.0, 149.9, 138.6, 134.6, 133.2, 130.5, 130.3 (3C), 129.0 (2C), 128.7 (2C), 128.6 (2C), 128.2 (3C), 127.4 (2C), 83.1, 80.1, 50.8, 29.0, 28.0, 21.3; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for  $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{27}\text{N}_4\text{O}_3$   $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$  467.2083, found 467.2086.



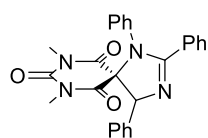
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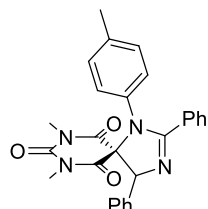
**1-Benzyl-4-isopropyl-7,9-dimethyl-2-phenyl-1,3,7,9-tetraazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene-6,8,10-trione (5da).** General procedure was followed to afford **5da** as a white solid (67.0 mg, 80% yield);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.69–7.63 (m, 2H), 7.47–7.40 (m, 3H), 7.29–7.20 (m, 3H), 7.14–7.09 (m, 2H), 4.42 (d,  $J = 14.3$  Hz, 1H), 4.29 (d,  $J = 9.7$  Hz, 1H), 3.98 (d,  $J = 14.3$  Hz, 1H), 3.22 (s, 3H), 2.94 (s, 3H), 1.99–1.86 (m, 1H), 1.18 (d,  $J = 6.5$  Hz, 3H), 0.71 (d,  $J = 6.5$  Hz, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  170.9, 167.0, 164.2, 150.0, 134.5, 130.6, 130.1, 129.7 (2C), 128.7 (2C), 128.6 (2C), 128.53, 128.46 (2C), 87.8, 74.9, 50.8, 30.5, 29.0, 28.3, 21.2, 20.4; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for  $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{27}\text{N}_4\text{O}_3$   $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$  419.2083, found 419.2090.



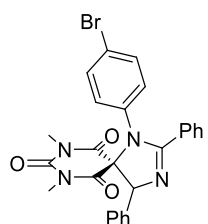
**1-Benzyl-2-(4-chlorophenyl)-7,9-dimethyl-4-phenyl-1,3,7,9-tetraazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene-6,8,10-trione (5ad).** General procedure was followed to afford **5ad** as a white solid (69.1 mg, 71% yield);  $^1\text{H NMR}$  (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.68 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 2H), 7.44 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 2H), 7.31–7.27 (m, 3H), 7.23–7.19 (m, 3H), 7.18–7.12 (m, 4H), 5.59 (s, 1H), 4.51 (d,  $J = 13.9$  Hz, 1H), 4.16 (d,  $J = 13.9$  Hz, 1H), 3.14 (s, 3H), 2.53 (s, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C NMR}$  (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  169.5, 166.6, 165.9, 149.7, 136.5, 136.0, 134.4, 130.2 (2C), 130.1 (2C), 129.0 (3C), 128.8, 128.5 (2C), 128.4, 128.3 (2C), 127.5 (2C), 83.0, 80.3, 50.9, 29.1, 28.0; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for  $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{24}^{35}\text{ClN}_4\text{O}_3$   $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$  487.1537, found 487.1530.



**7,9-Dimethyl-1,2,4-triphenyl-1,3,7,9-tetraazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene-6,8,10-trione (5ai).** General procedure was followed to afford **5ai** as a white solid (77.6 mg, 89% yield);  $^1\text{H NMR}$  (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.60–7.55 (m, 2H), 7.40–7.33 (m, 4H), 7.31–7.24 (m, 4H), 7.15 (t,  $J = 7.3$  Hz, 2H), 7.09 (t,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.04–6.99 (m, 2H), 5.78 (s, 1H), 3.41 (s, 3H), 2.54 (s, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C NMR}$  (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  169.0, 165.8, 164.7, 150.1, 139.2, 136.0, 130.5, 129.7, 129.3 (2C), 129.2, 128.9 (2C), 128.6 (2C), 128.2 (2C), 127.8 (2C), 126.9 (2C), 126.5, 83.7, 83.0, 29.6, 28.3; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for  $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{23}\text{N}_4\text{O}_3$   $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$  439.1770, found 439.1770.

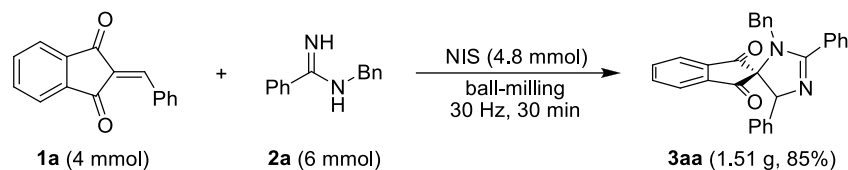


**7,9-Dimethyl-2,4-diphenyl-1-p-tolyl-1,3,7,9-tetraazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene-6,8,10-trione (5aj).** General procedure was followed to afford **5aj** as a white solid (79.8 mg, 88% yield);  $^1\text{H NMR}$  (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.60–7.55 (m, 2H), 7.39–7.32 (m, 4H), 7.31–7.24 (m, 4H), 6.94 (s, 4H), 5.76 (s, 1H), 3.40 (s, 3H), 2.52 (s, 3H), 2.23 (s, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C NMR}$  (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  169.2, 165.8, 164.9, 150.1, 136.6, 136.5, 136.1, 130.4, 129.8, 129.5 (2C), 129.3 (2C), 129.2, 128.6 (2C), 128.1 (2C), 127.8 (2C), 127.1 (2C), 83.7, 83.2, 29.5, 28.3, 21.1; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for  $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{25}\text{N}_4\text{O}_3$   $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$  453.1927, found 453.1933.



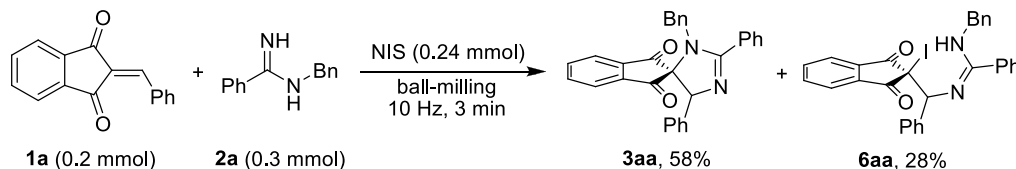
**1-(4-Bromophenyl)-7,9-dimethyl-2,4-diphenyl-1,3,7,9-tetraazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene-6,8,10-trione (5am)**. General procedure was followed to afford **5am** as a white solid (95.3 mg, 92% yield); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.59–7.54 (m, 2H), 7.39 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.37–7.33 (m, 3H), 7.31 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.28–7.22 (m, 4H), 6.92 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 5.75 (s, 1H), 3.41 (s, 3H), 2.52 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 168.8, 165.6, 164.4, 149.9, 138.3, 135.7, 132.0 (2C), 130.7, 129.3 (2C), 129.2 (2C), 128.7 (2C), 128.6 (2C), 128.3 (2C), 127.7 (2C), 120.1, 83.8, 83.0, 29.6, 28.3; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>22</sub><sup>79</sup>BrN<sub>4</sub>O<sub>3</sub> [M + H]<sup>+</sup> 517.0875, found 517.0875.

### 3. Typical procedure for the gram-scale synthesis of **3aa**

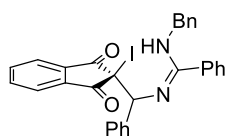


A mixture of **1a** (468 mg, 2 mmol), **2a** (631 mg, 3 mmol) and NIS (540 mg, 2.4 mmol) together with a stainless ball (12 mm in diameter) were introduced into a stainless steel jar (10 mL). The same mixture was also introduced into another parallel jar. The two reaction vessels were closed and fixed on the vibration arms of a Retsch MM400 mixer mill, and were vibrated vigorously at a rate of 1800 rounds per minute (30 Hz) at room temperature for 30 min. After completion of the reaction, the reaction vessels were washed with acetone three times (3 × 6 mL), and the combined solution was evaporated to remove the solvent in vacuo. The residue was separated by flash column chromatography on silica gel with acetone/petroleum ether (1:6) as the eluent to afford **3aa** as a yellow solid (1.51 g, 85%).

### 4. Synthesis and characterization of **6aa**



A mixture of **1a** (0.2 mmol), **2a** (0.3 mmol) and NIS (0.24 mmol) together with a stainless ball (10 mm in diameter) were introduced into a stainless steel jar (10 mL). The reaction vessel along with another identical empty vessel were closed and fixed on the vibration arms of a Retsch MM400 mixer mill, and were vibrated at a rate of 600 rounds per minute (10 Hz) at room temperature for 3 min. After completion of the reaction, the reaction vessel was washed with acetone three times (3 × 6 mL), and the combined solution was evaporated to remove the solvent in vacuo. The residue was separated by flash column chromatography on silica gel with acetone/petroleum ether (1:6) as the eluent to afford **6aa** as a yellow solid (31.8 mg, 28%), along with **3aa** (51.0 mg, 58%) and recovered **1a** (4.6 mg, 10%).



***N*-Benzyl-*N'*-((2-iodo-1,3-dioxo-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yl)(phenyl)methyl)benzimidamide (6aa).** <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.00 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.84–7.80 (m, 2H), 7.78 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.71 (td, *J* = 7.3, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.67 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.51–7.45 (m, 3H), 7.33–7.21 (m, 6H), 7.17–7.12 (m, 2H), 7.02 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 5.11 (s, 1H), 4.88 (d, *J* = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 4.05 (d, *J* = 15.8 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 199.7, 196.4, 170.9, 142.5, 141.5, 136.2, 135.8, 135.3, 134.3, 130.8, 130.3, 128.9 (2C), 128.85 (2C), 128.80 (2C), 128.6 (2C), 128.4, 128.05 (2C), 128.02 (2C), 127.9, 123.9, 123.8, 81.3, 69.4, 49.5; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>23</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> [M – I]<sup>+</sup> 443.1754, found 443.1753.



## 5. NMR spectra of 3, 5 and 6aa

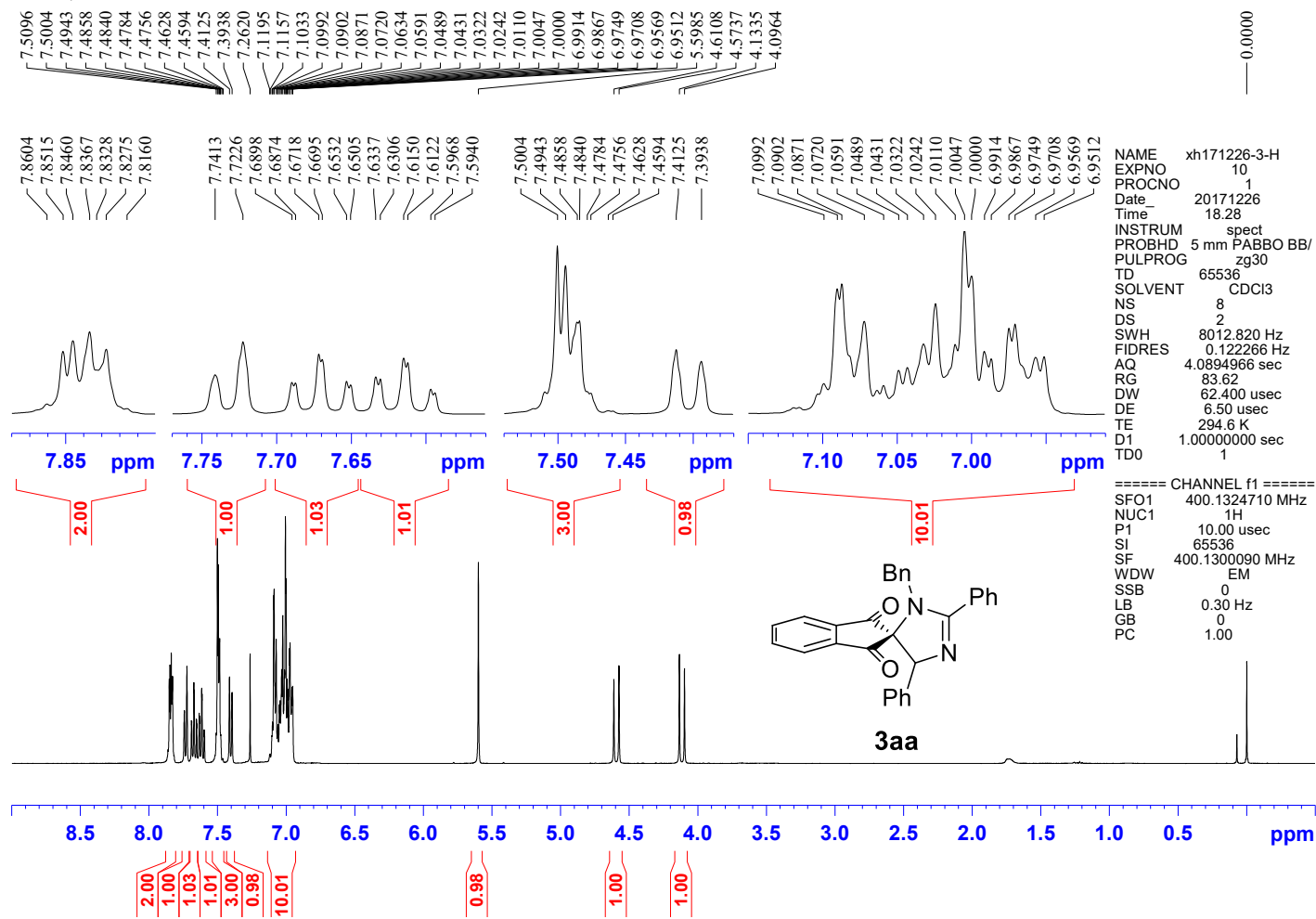


Figure S1. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 3aa

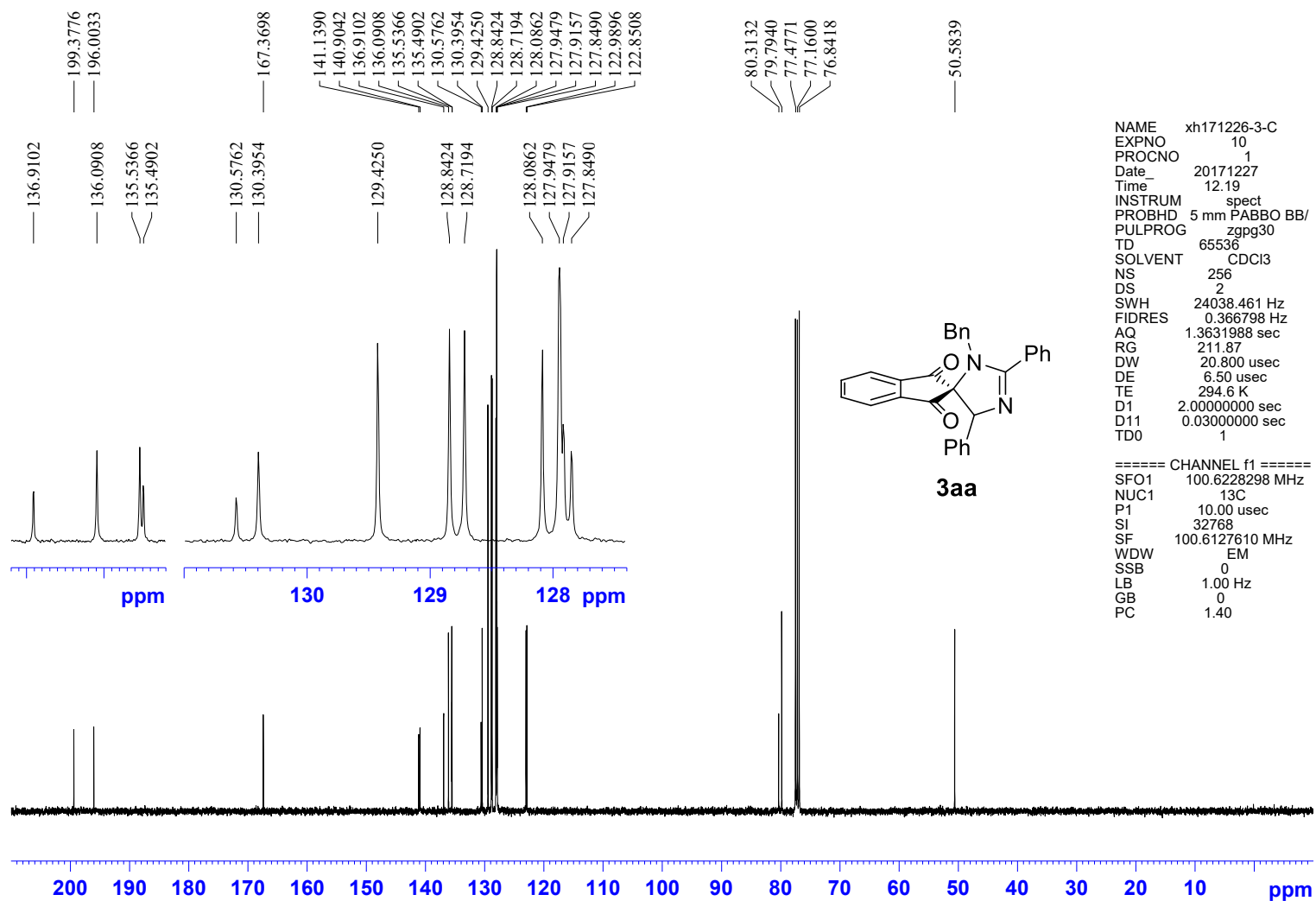


Figure S2. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 3aa

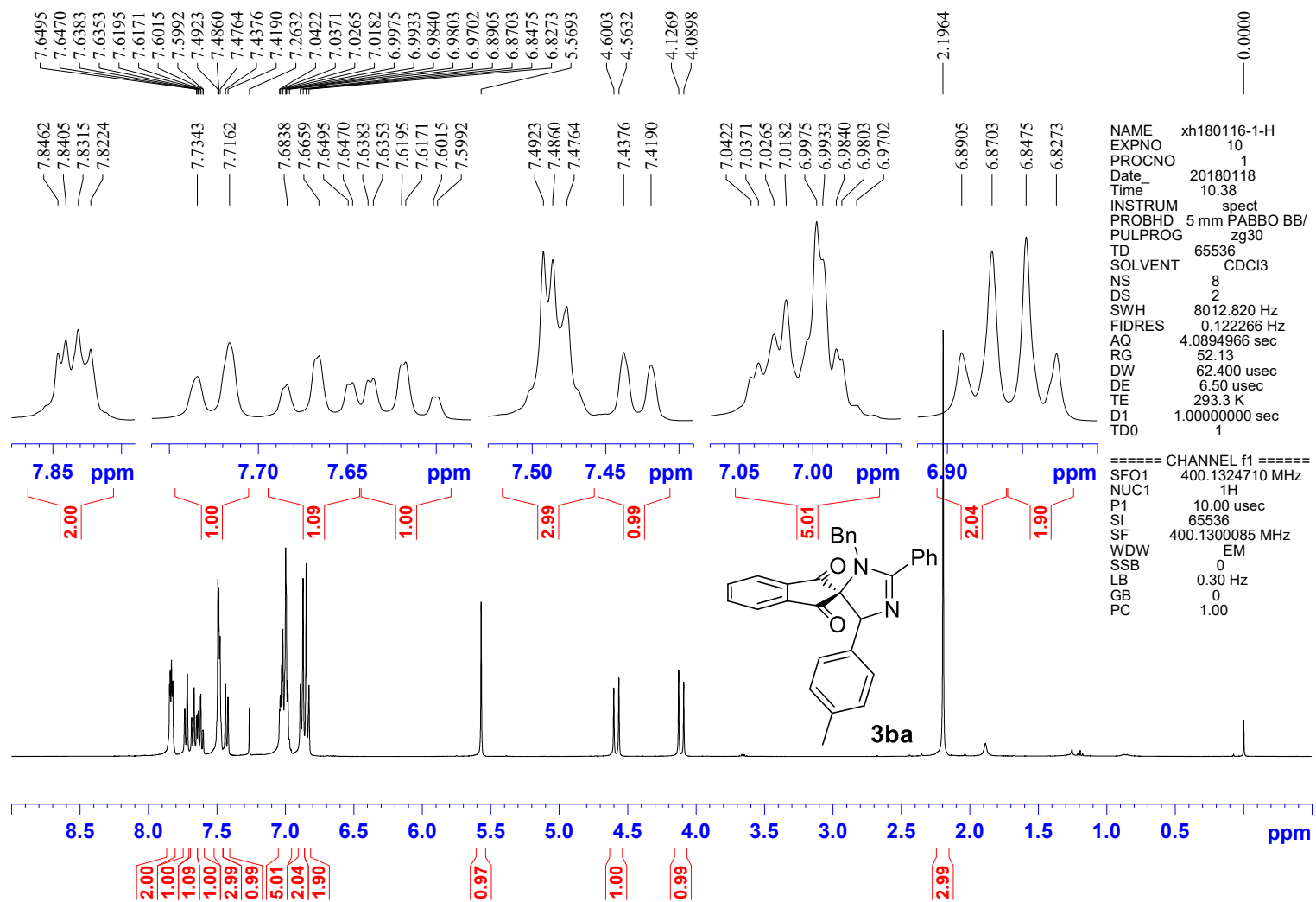


Figure S3. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 3ba

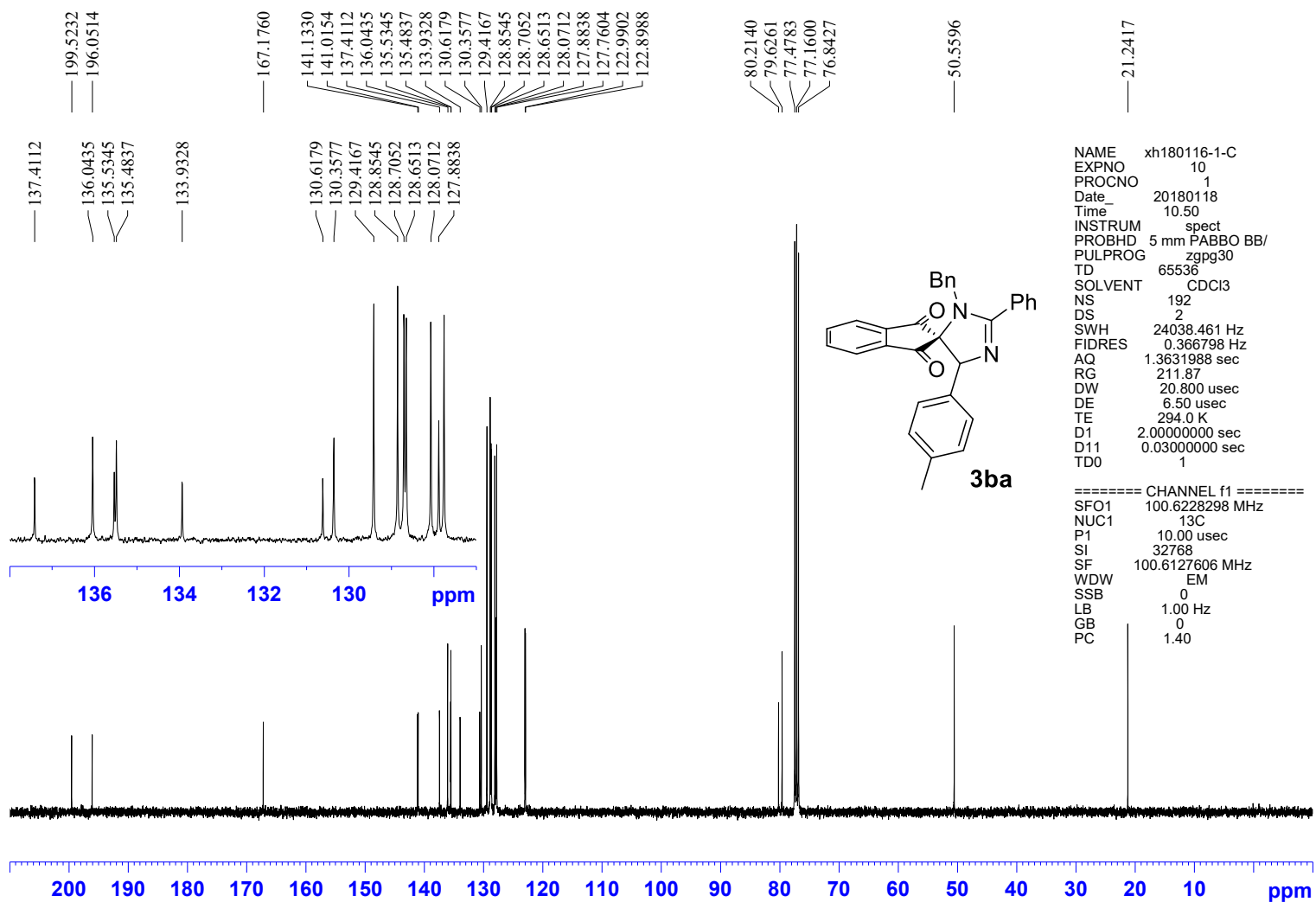


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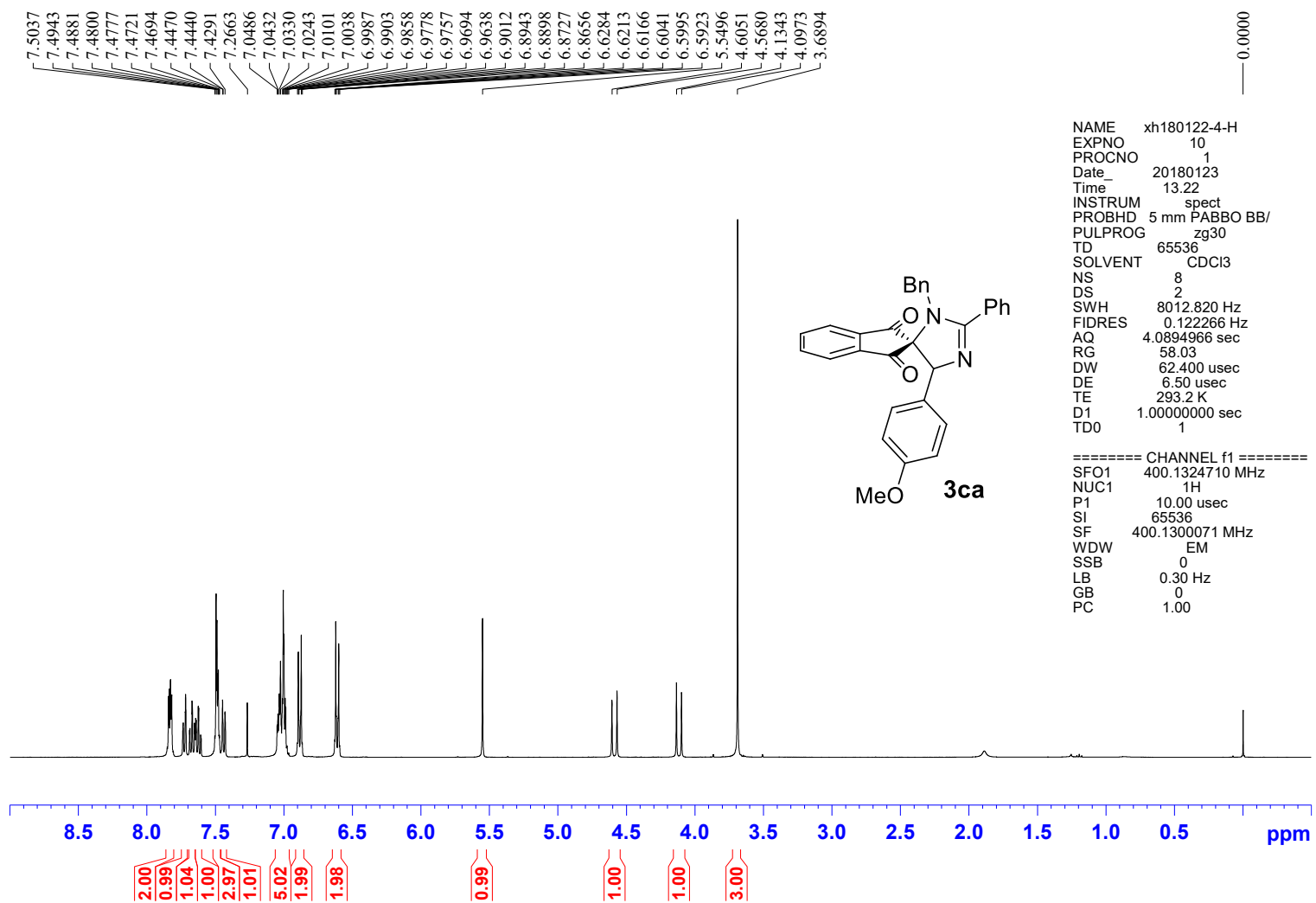


Figure S5. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 3ca

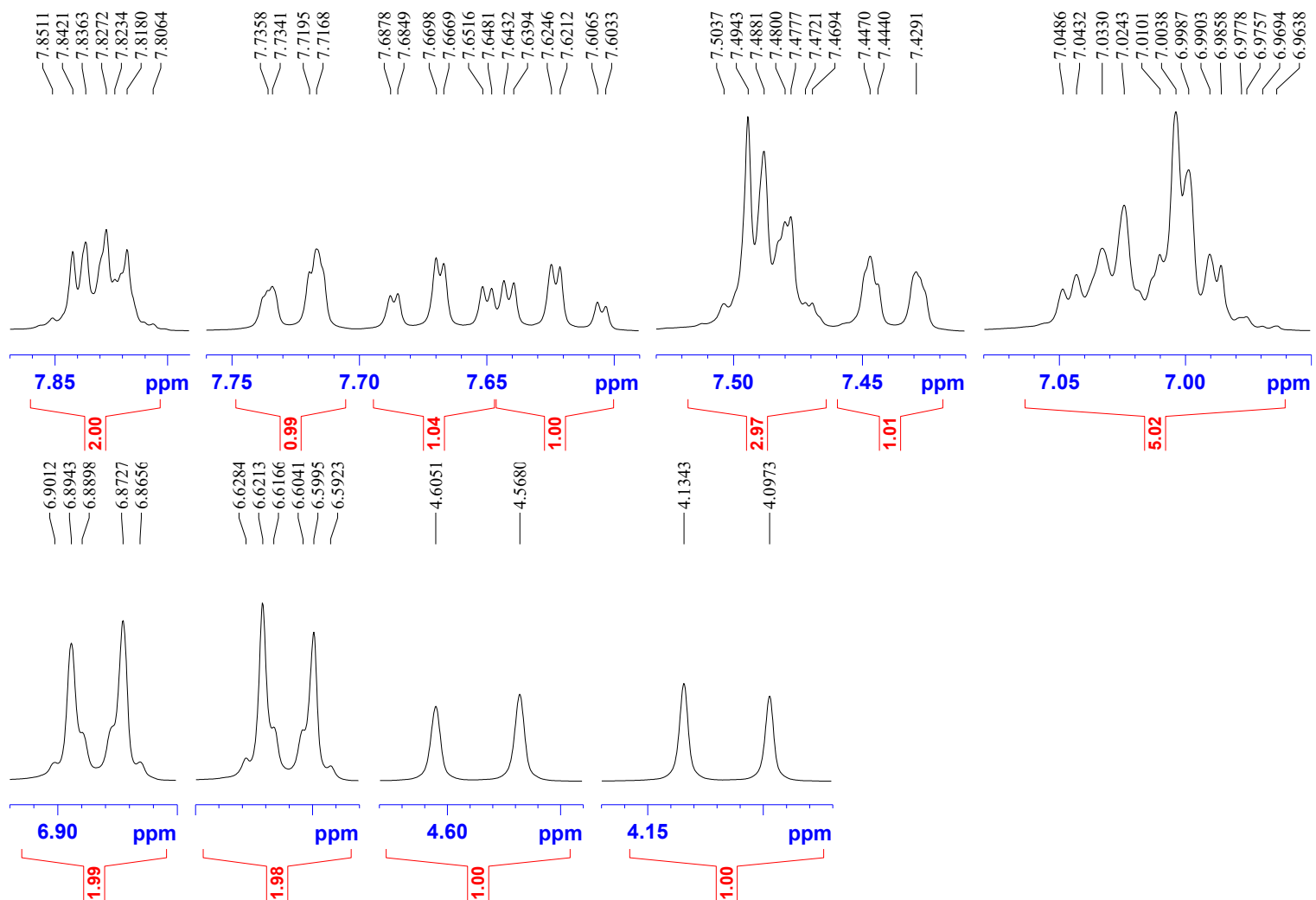


Figure S6. Expanded  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of compound 3ca

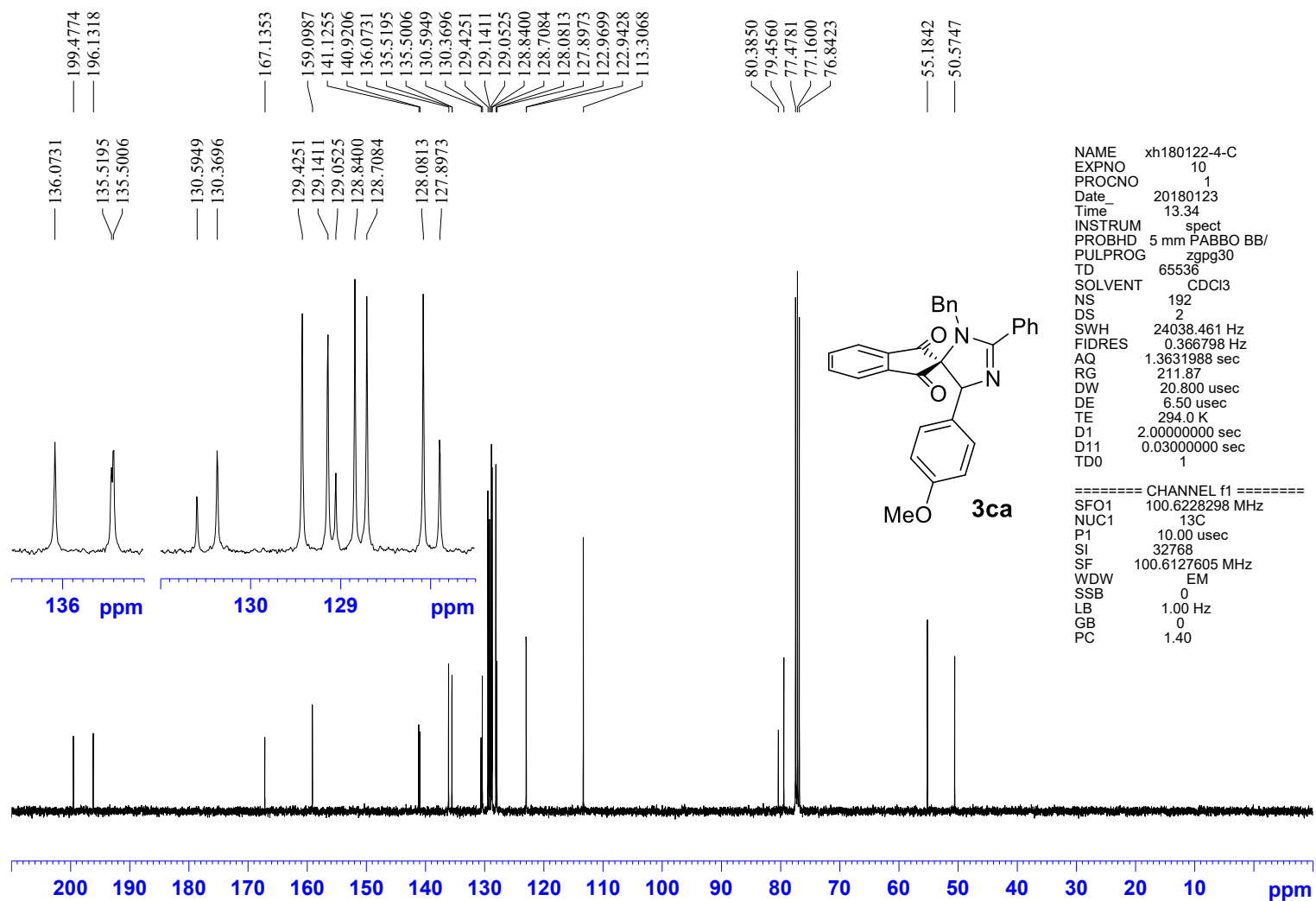
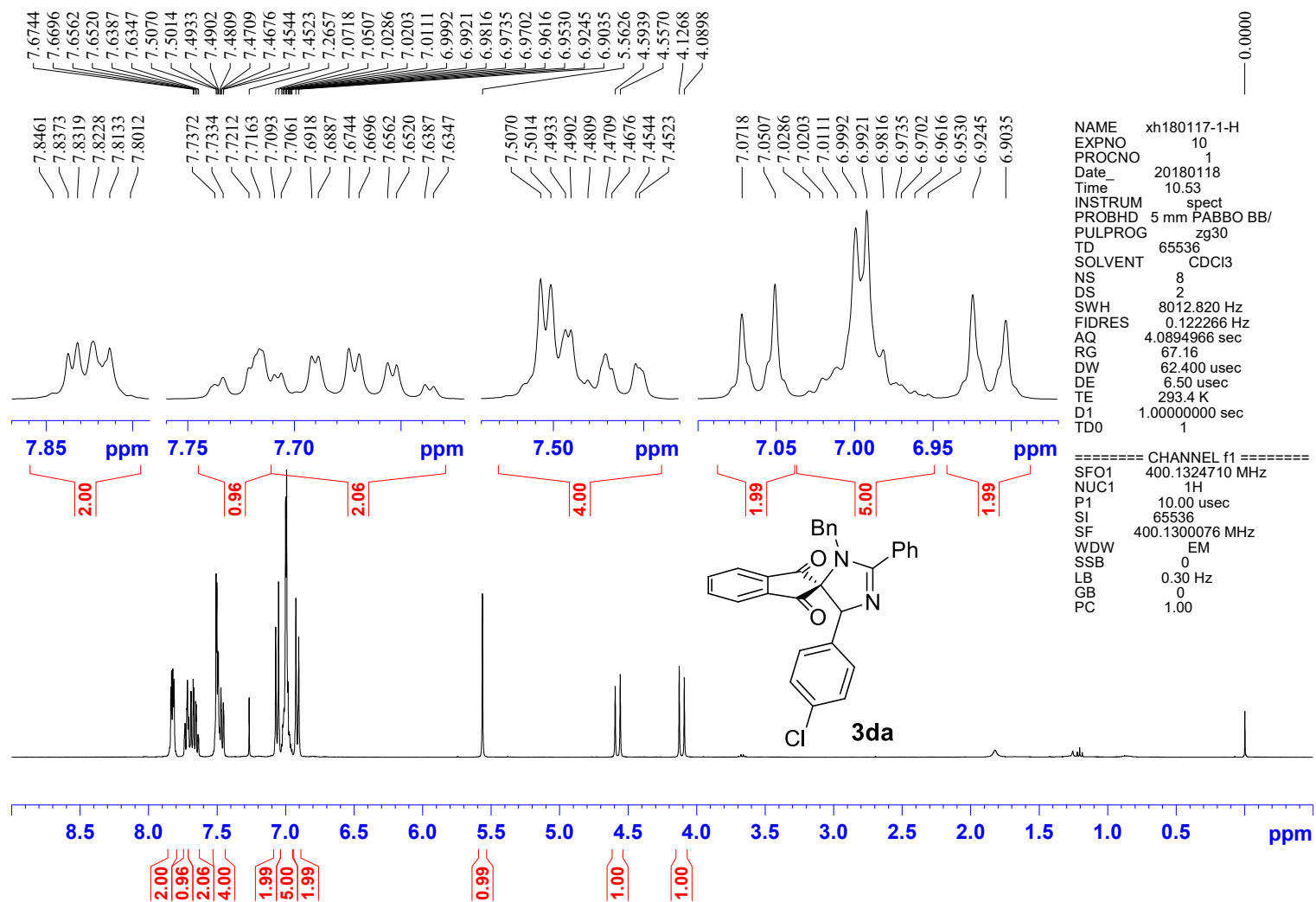


Figure S7. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 3ca





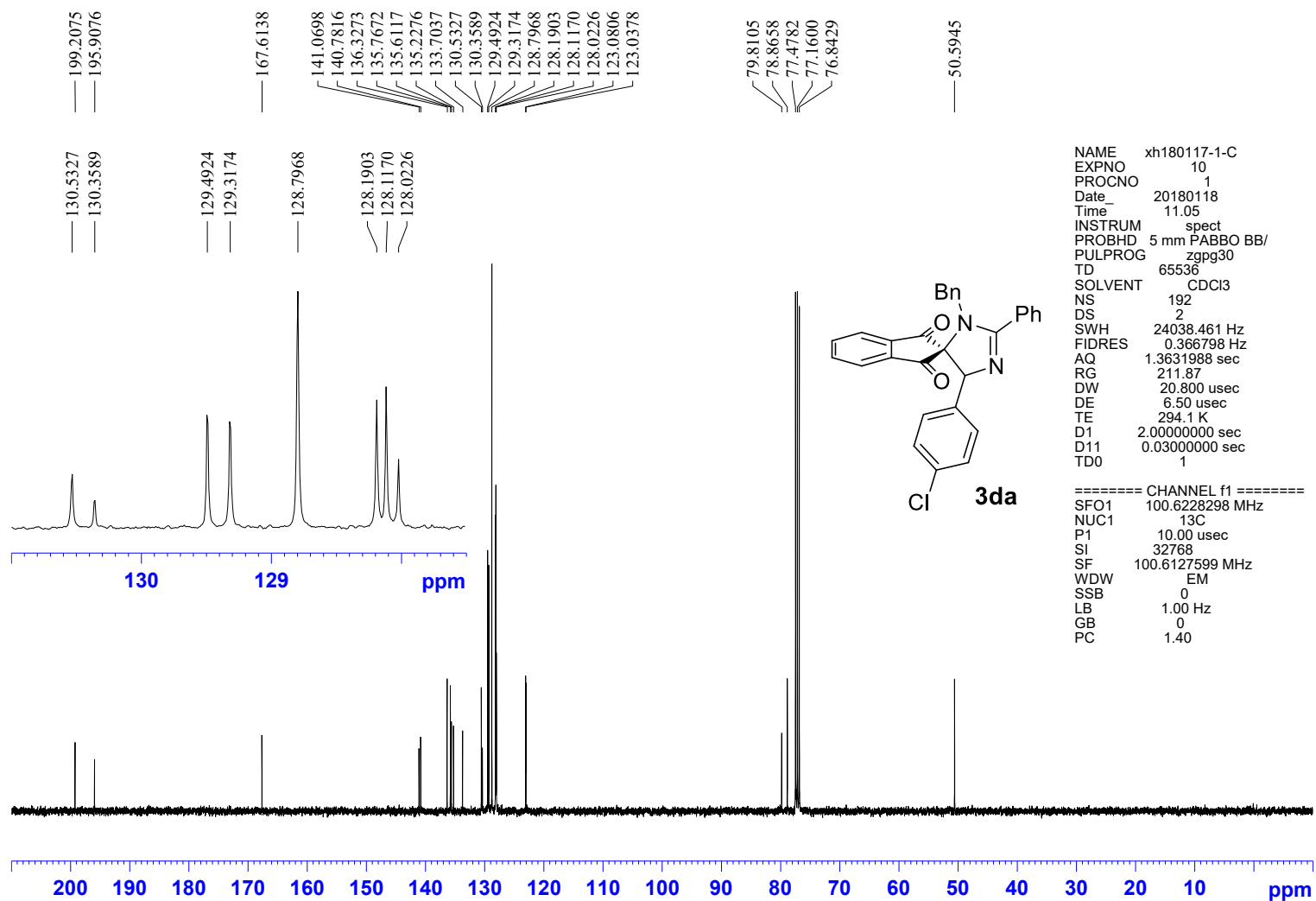


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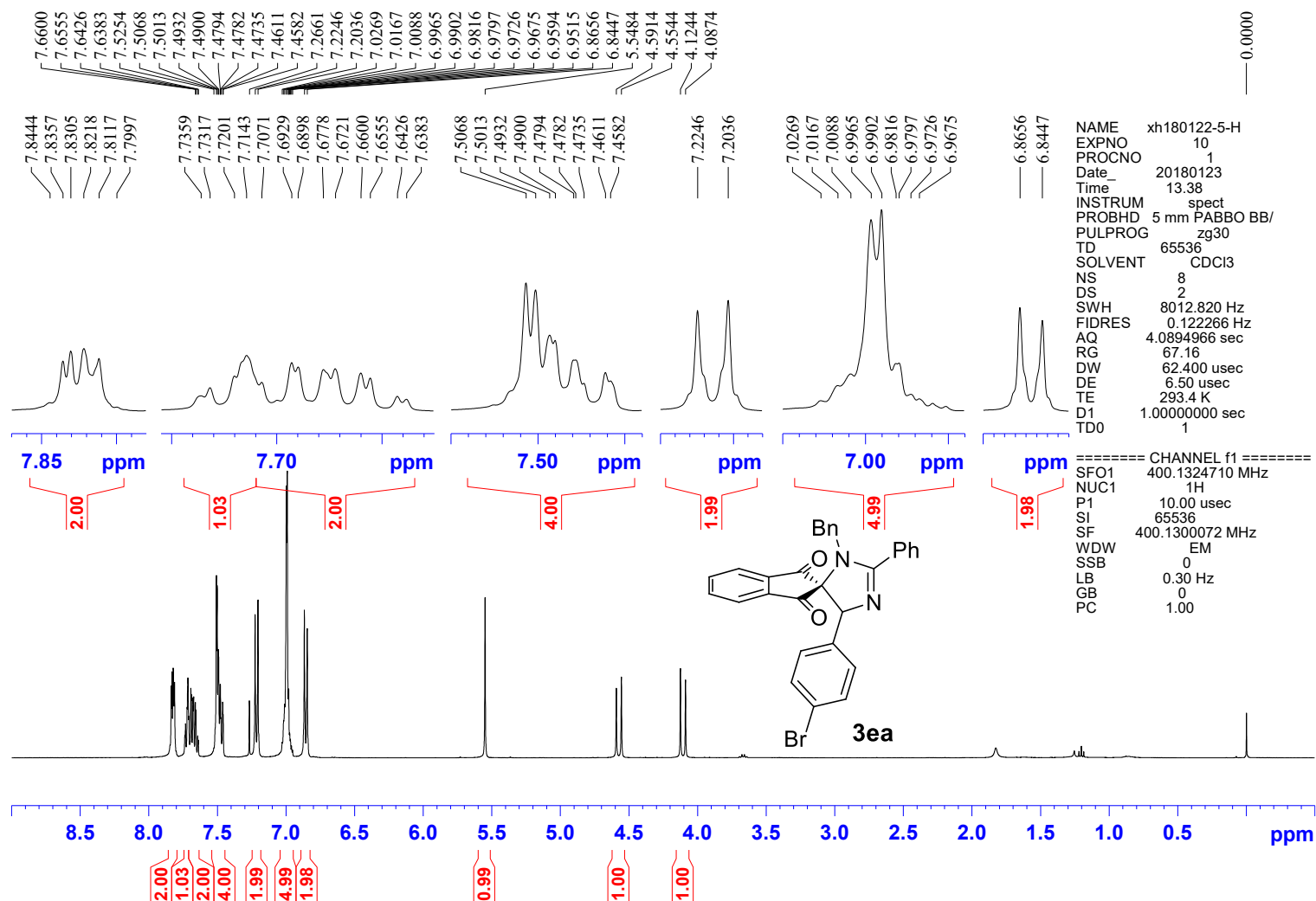


Figure S10.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of compound 3ea

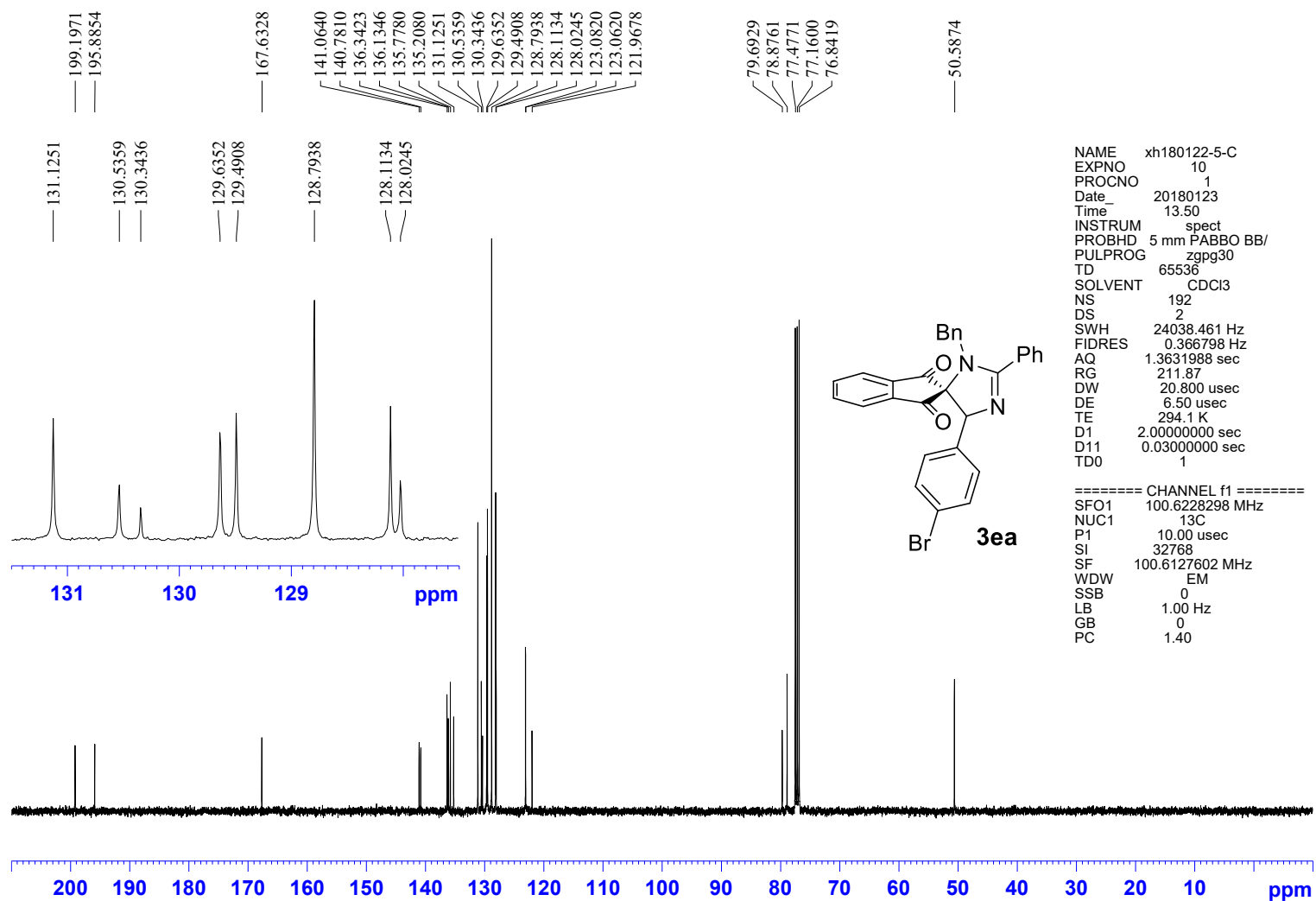


Figure S11. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 3ea

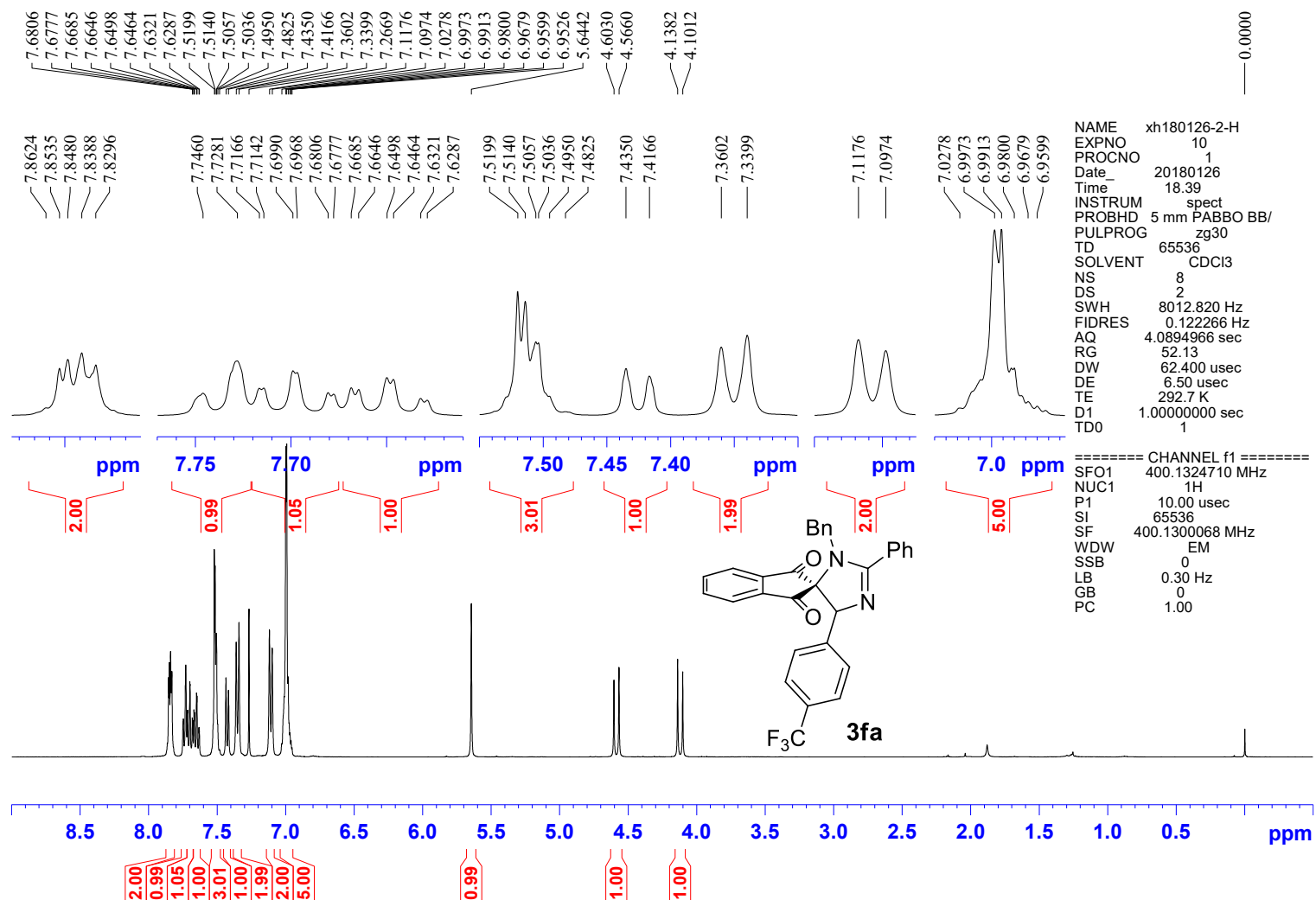


Figure S12. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound **3fa**



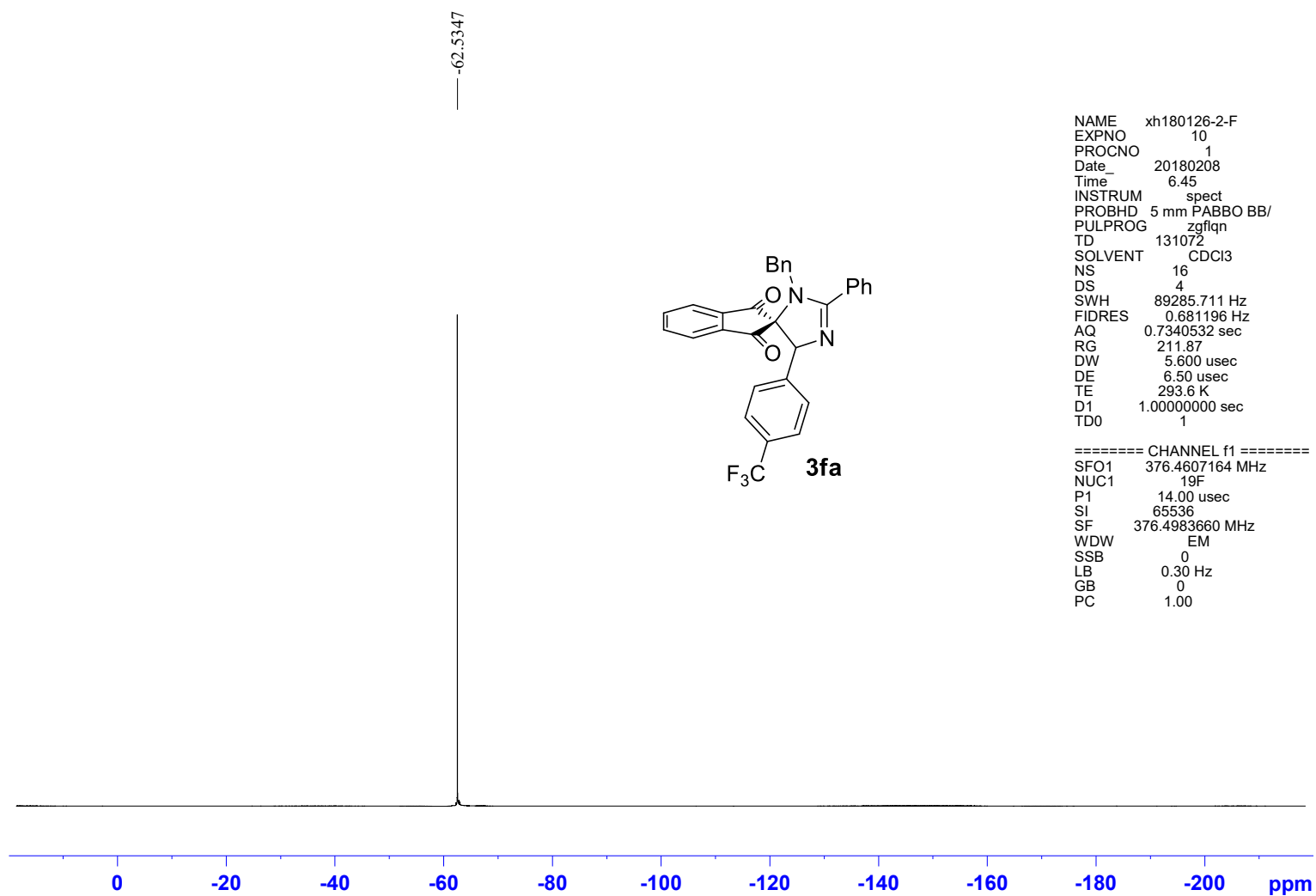


Figure S14.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of compound 3fa

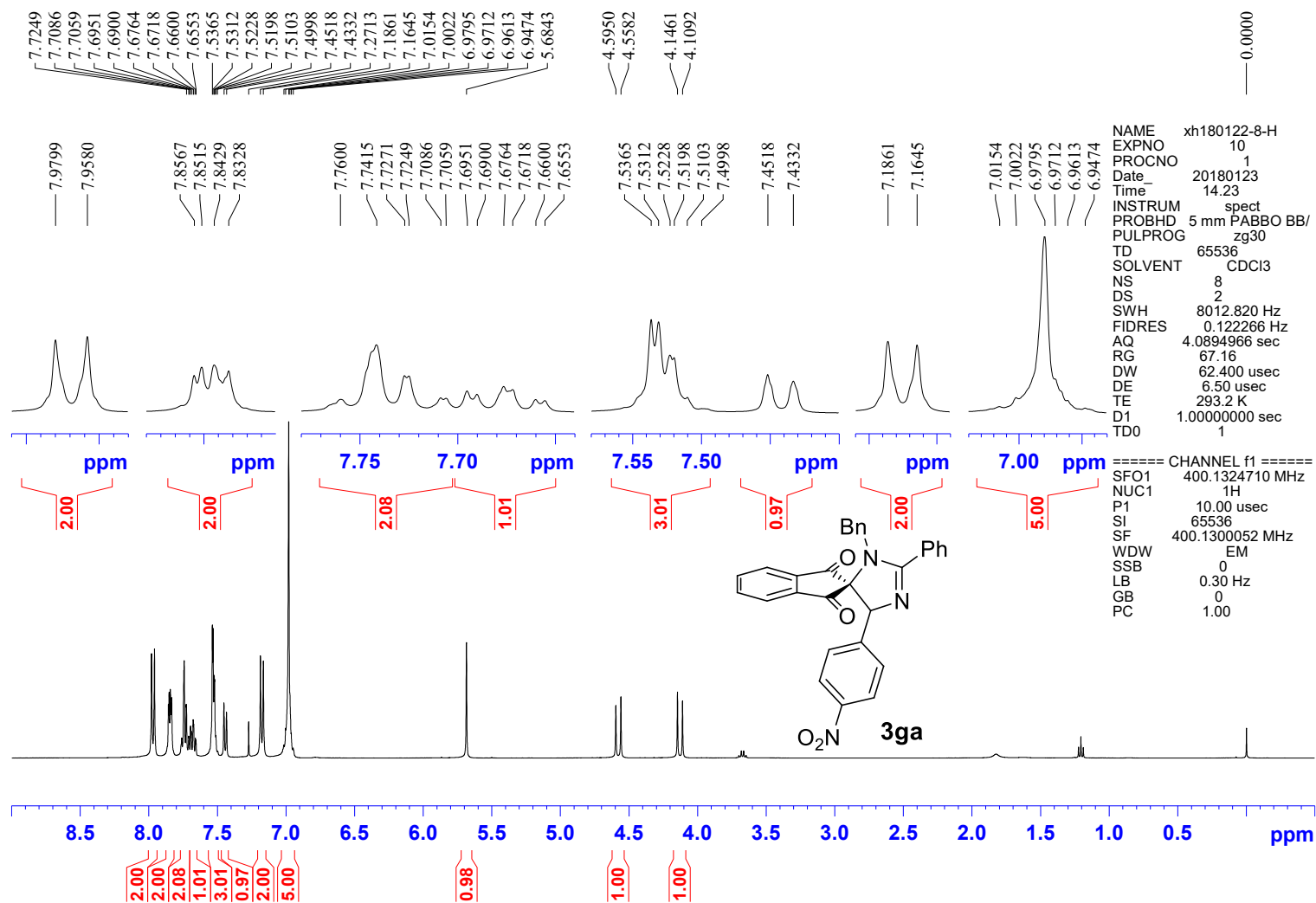


Figure S15.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of compound **3ga**

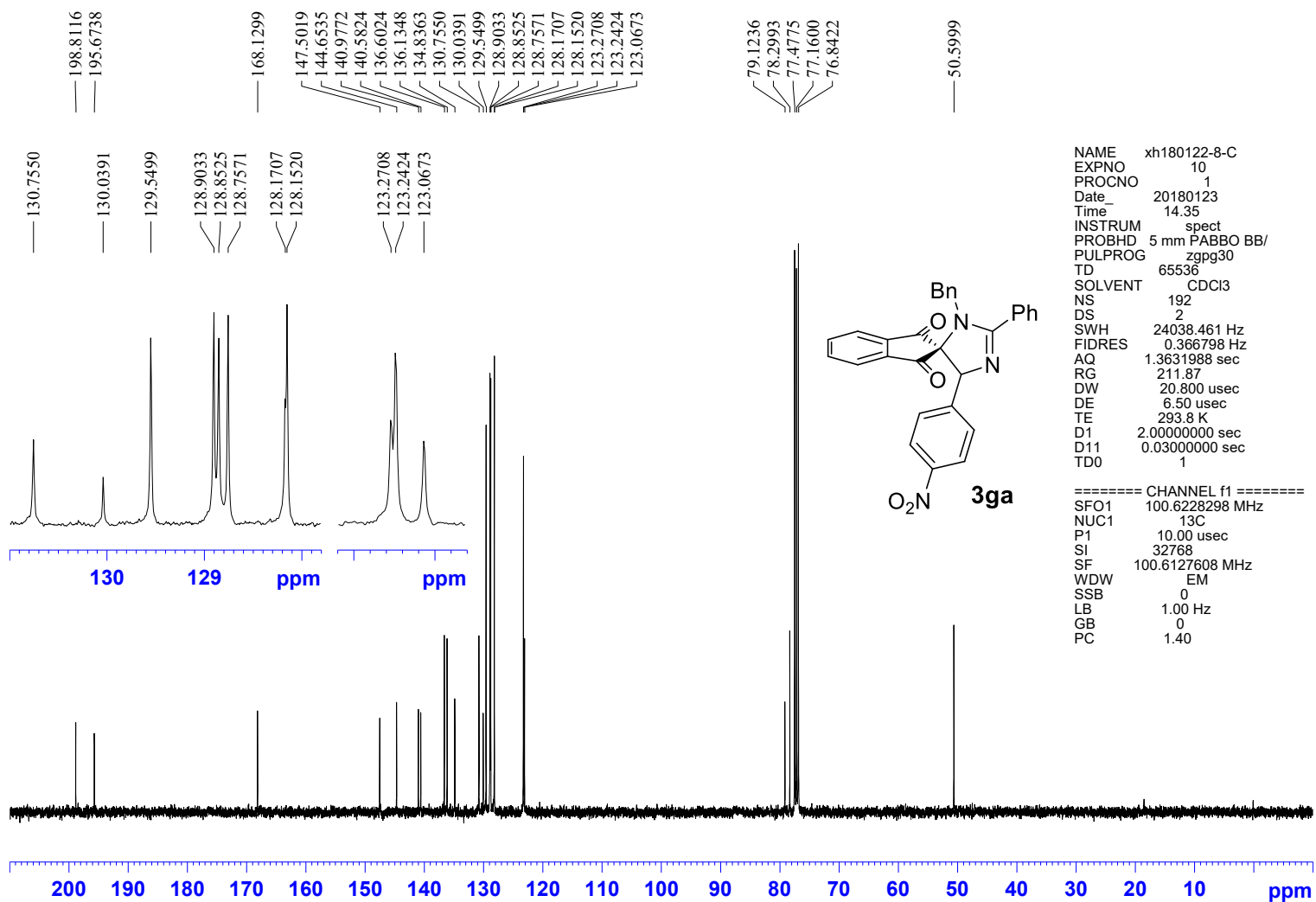


Figure S16. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 3ga



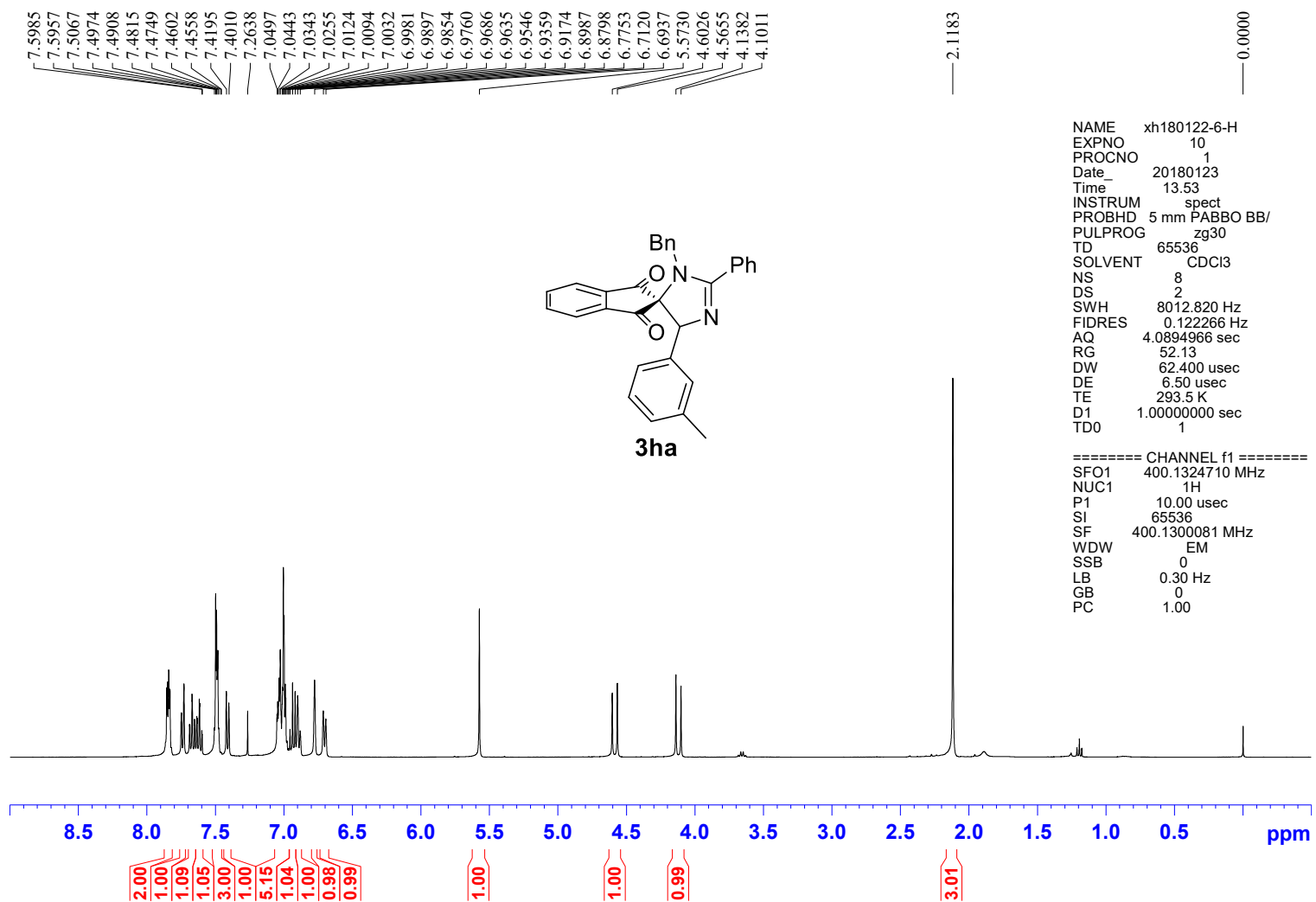


Figure S17. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 3ha

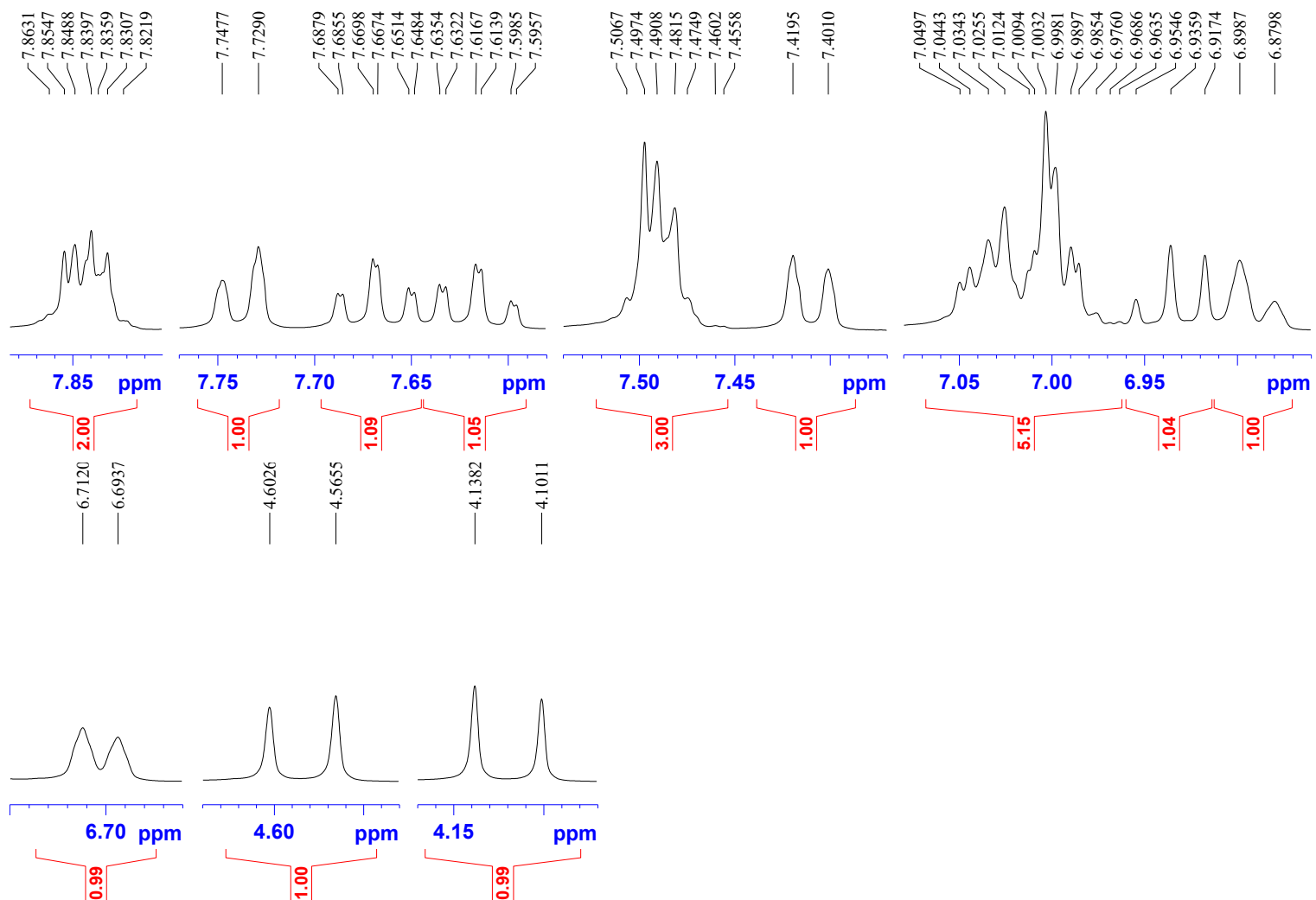


Figure S18. Expanded <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 3ha

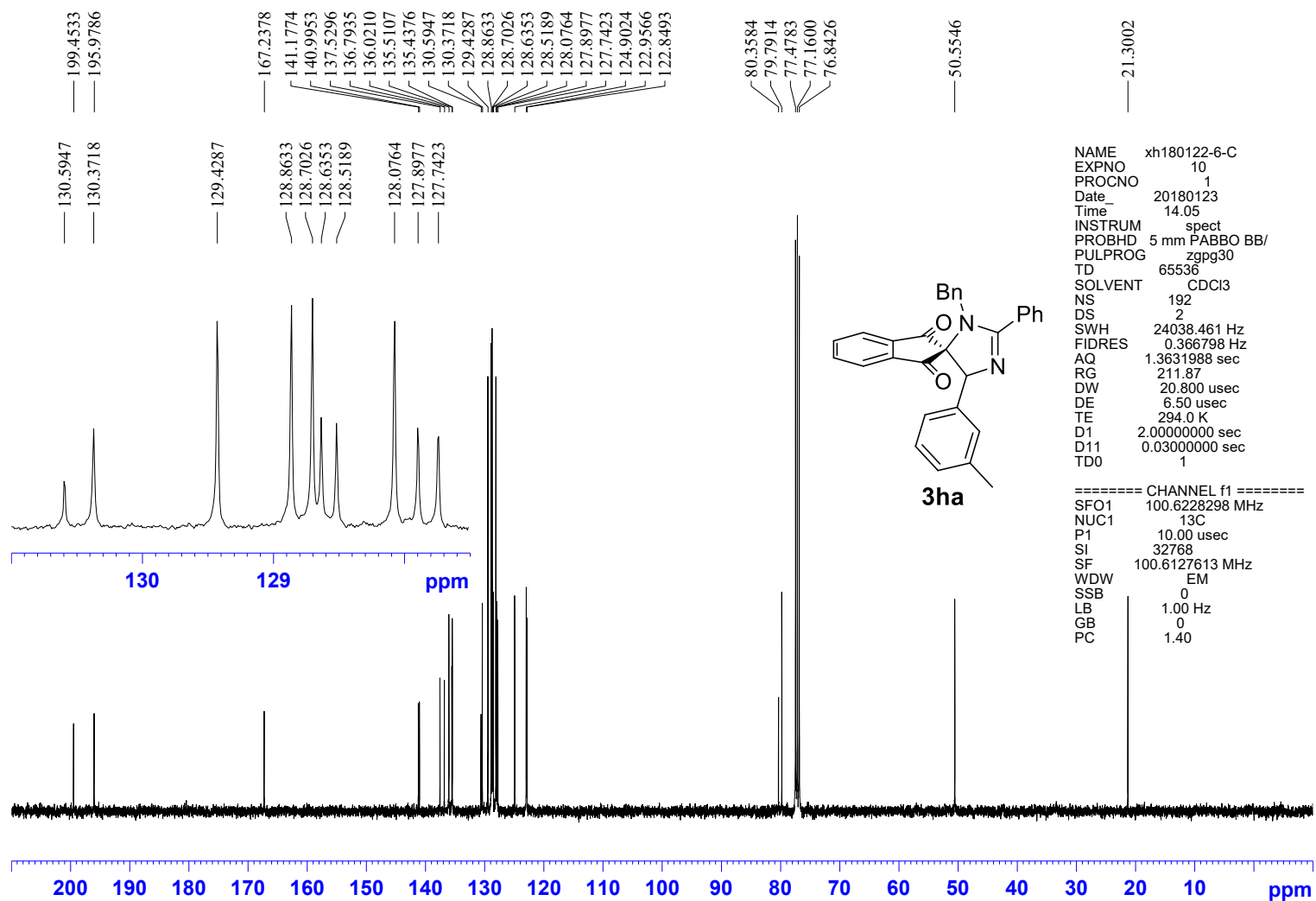


Figure S19. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 3ha

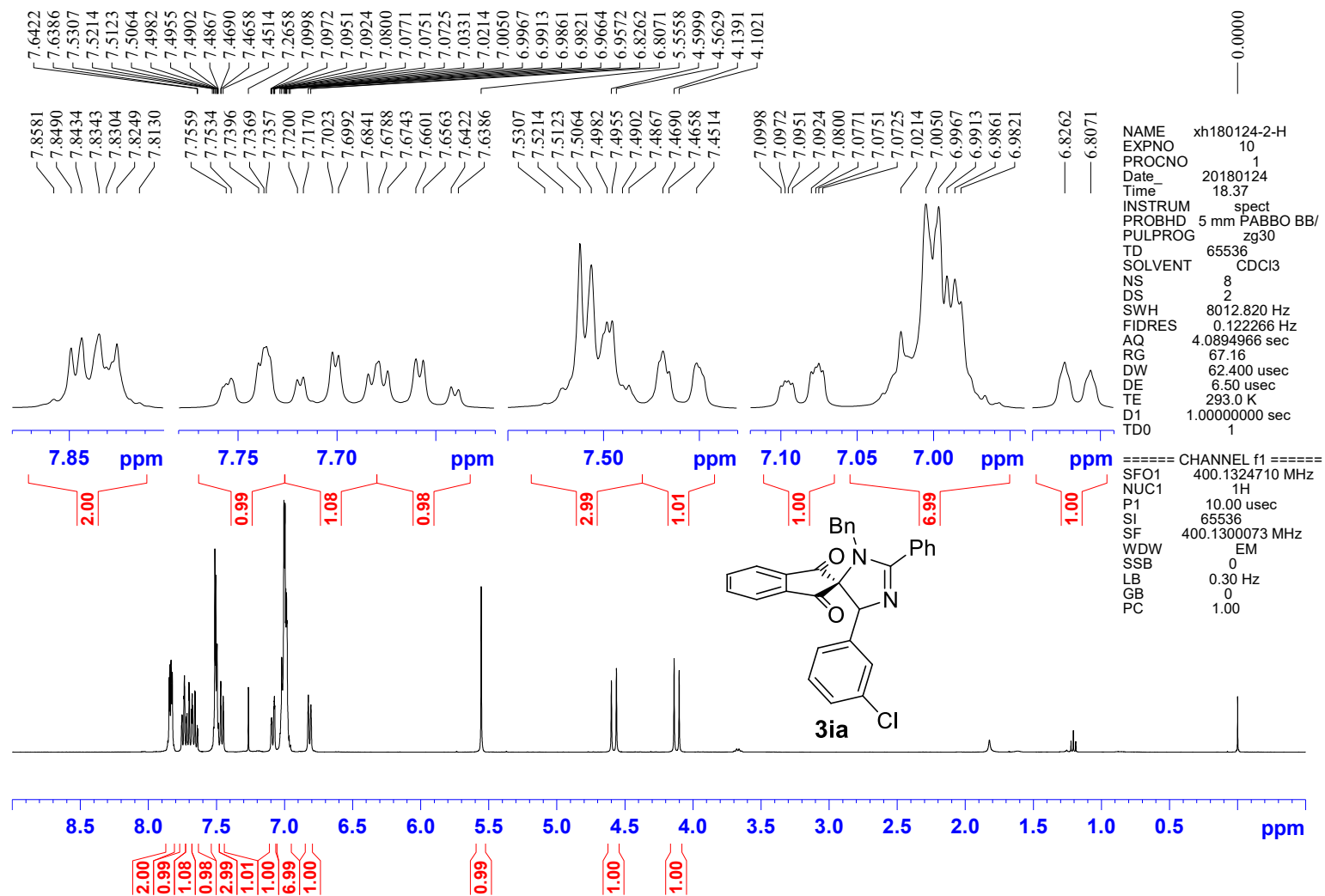


Figure S20.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of compound 3ia

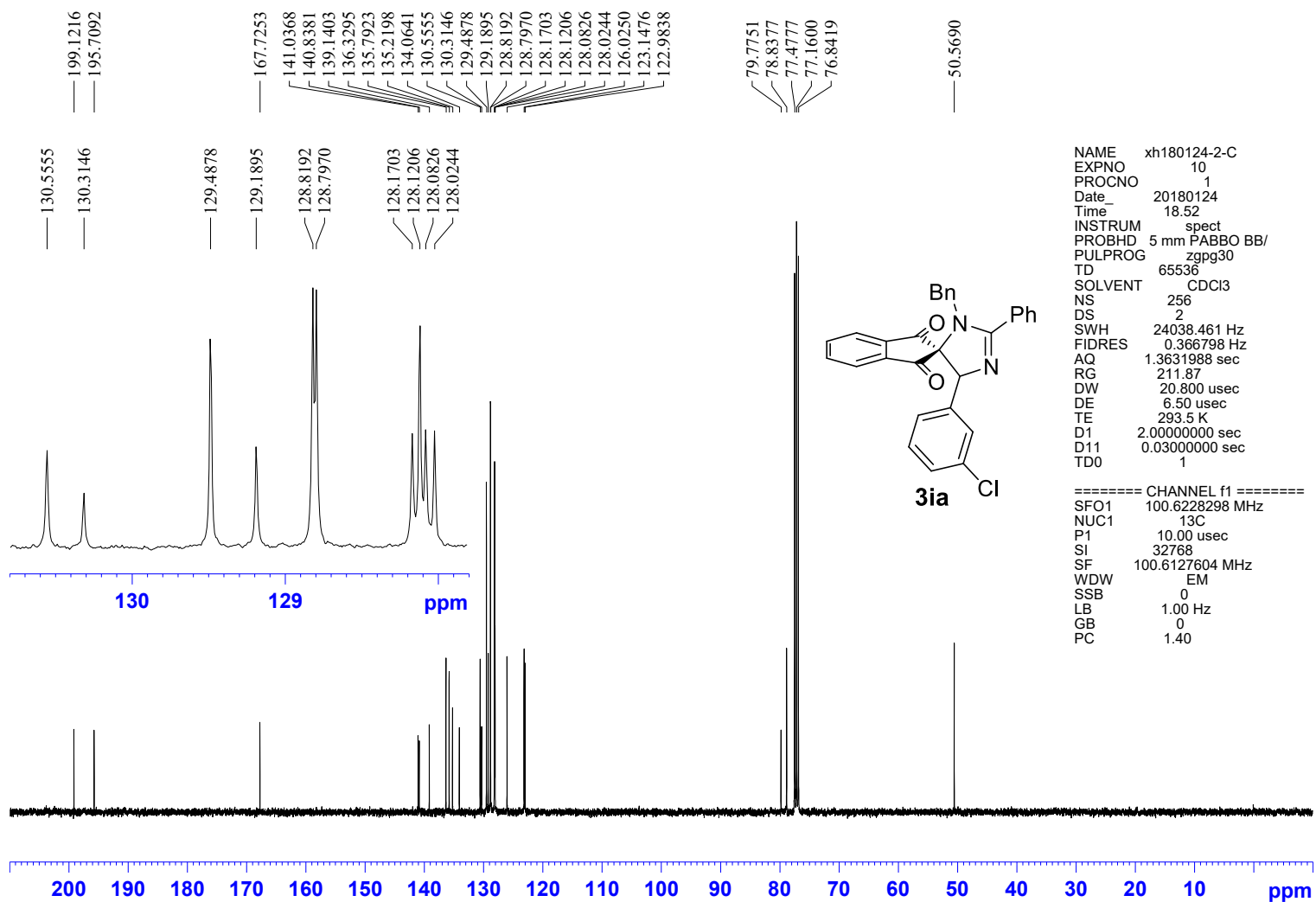


Figure S21. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound **3ia**

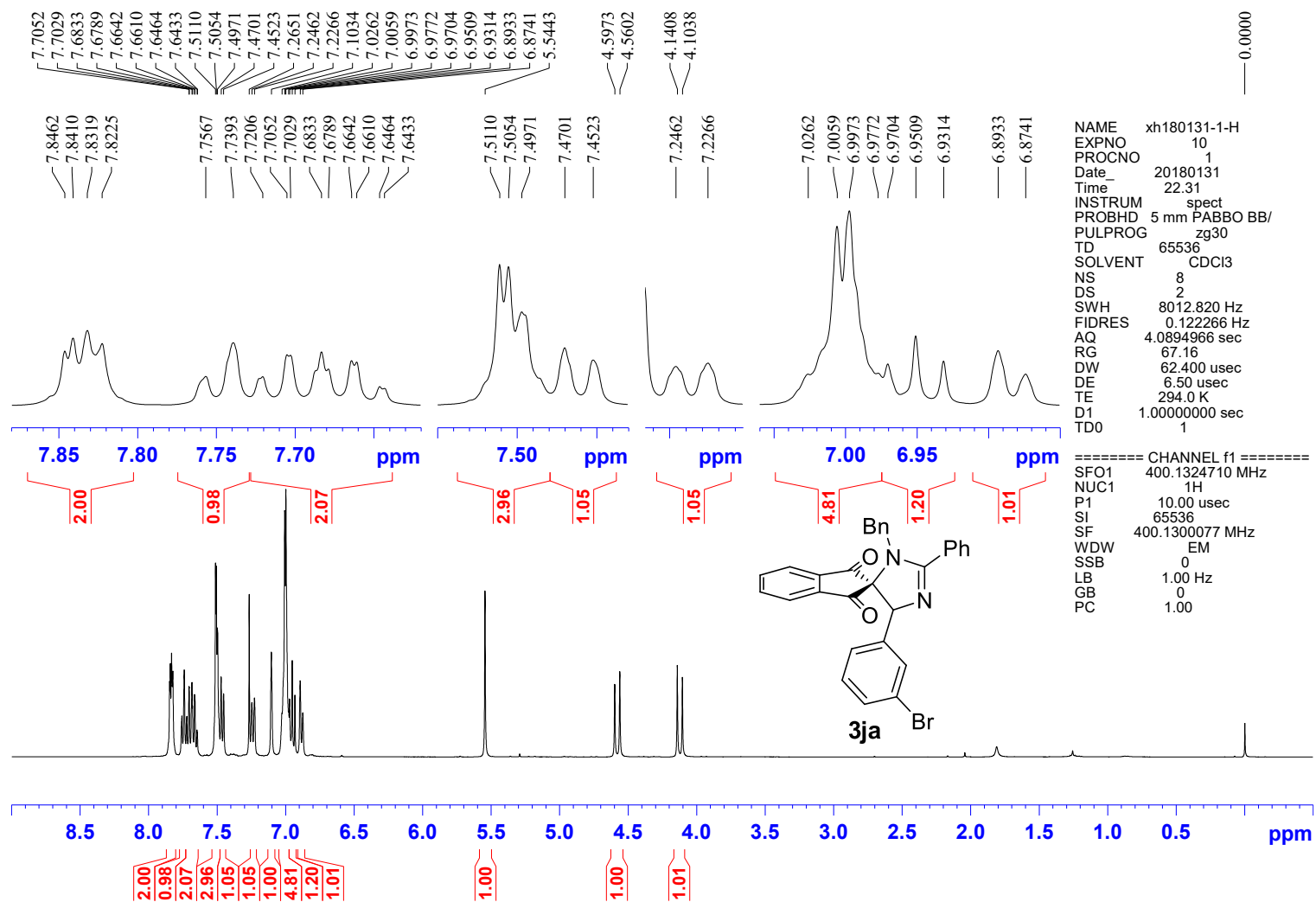


Figure S22. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 3ja

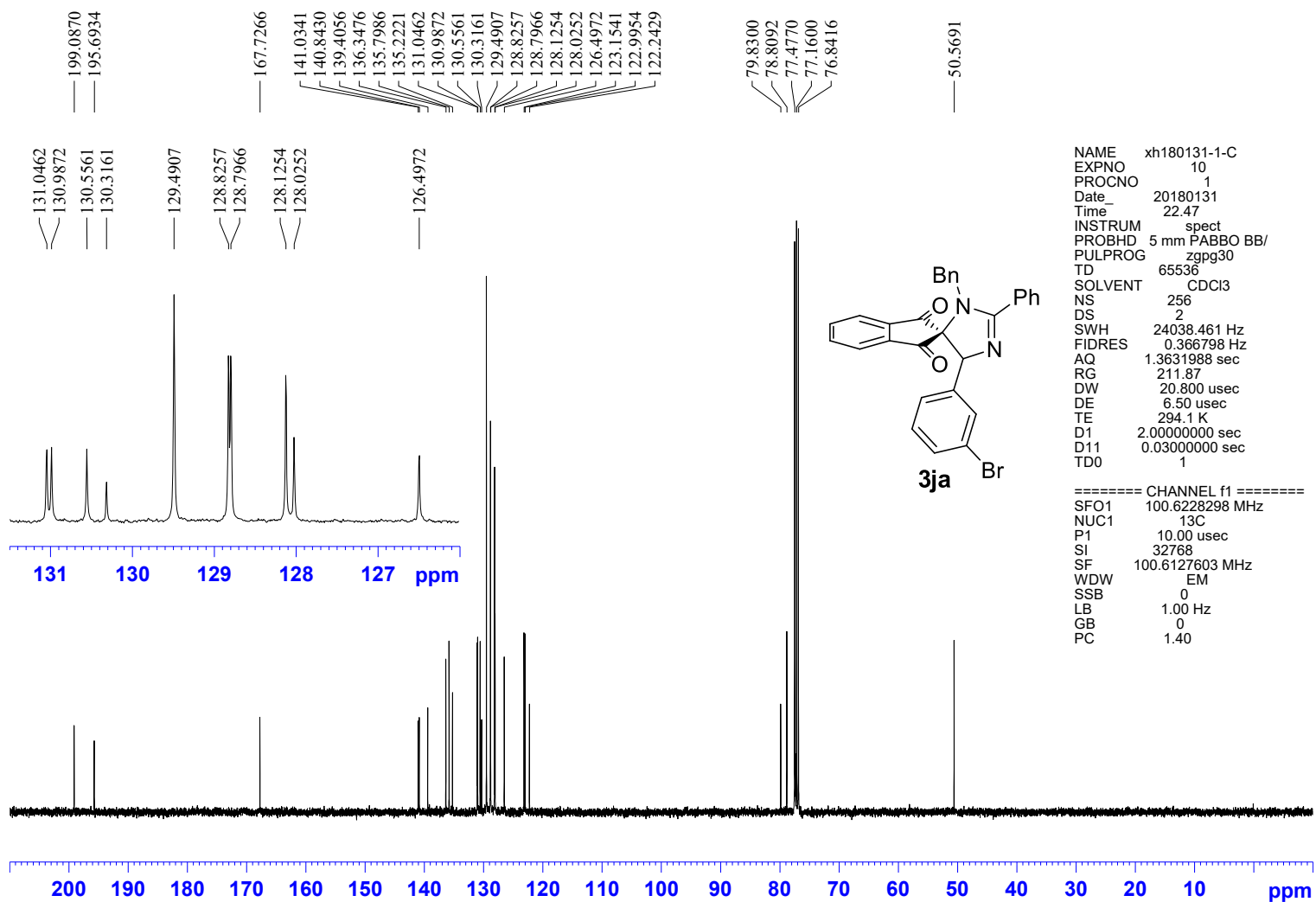


Figure S23. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 3ja

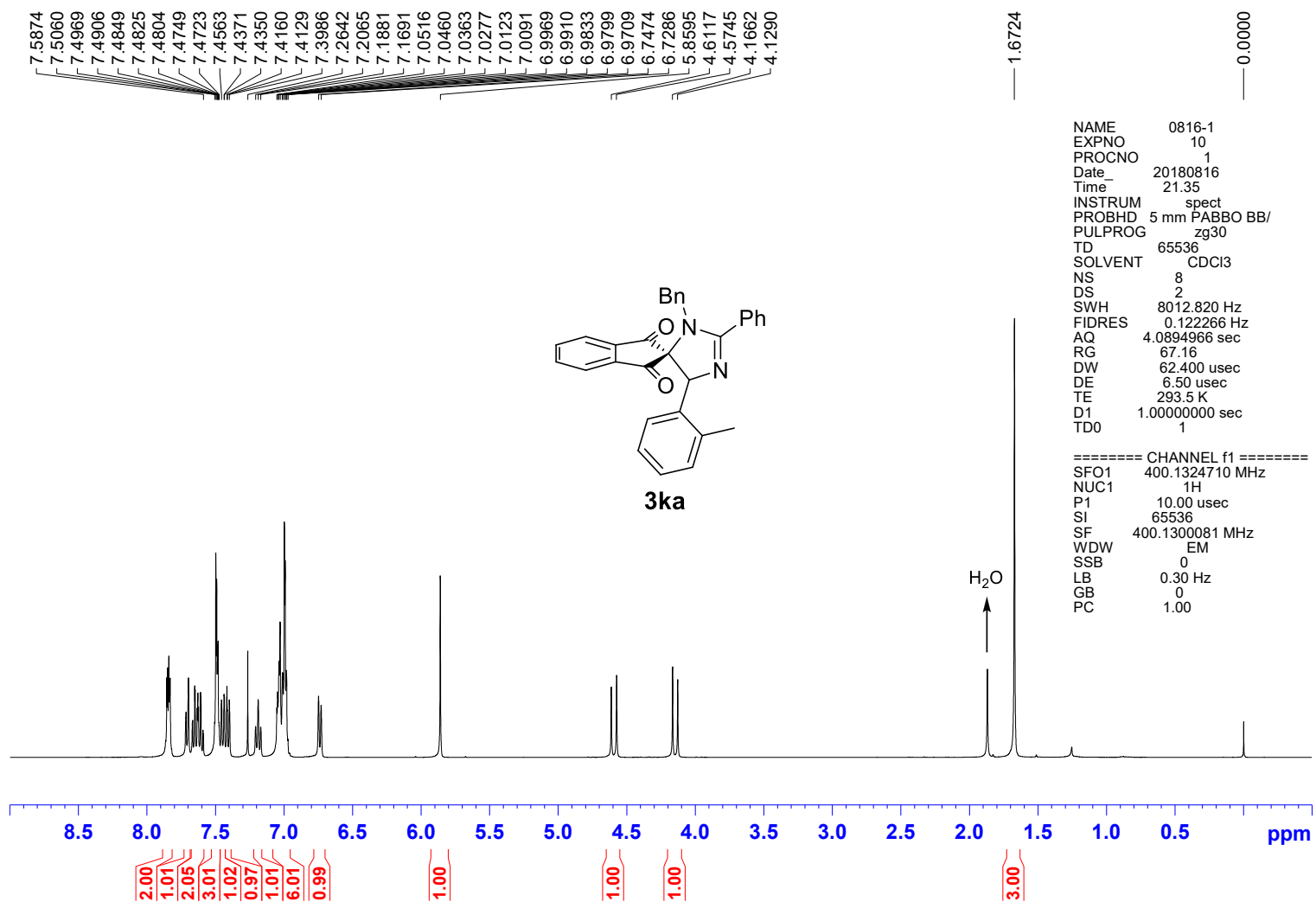


Figure S24. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 3ka



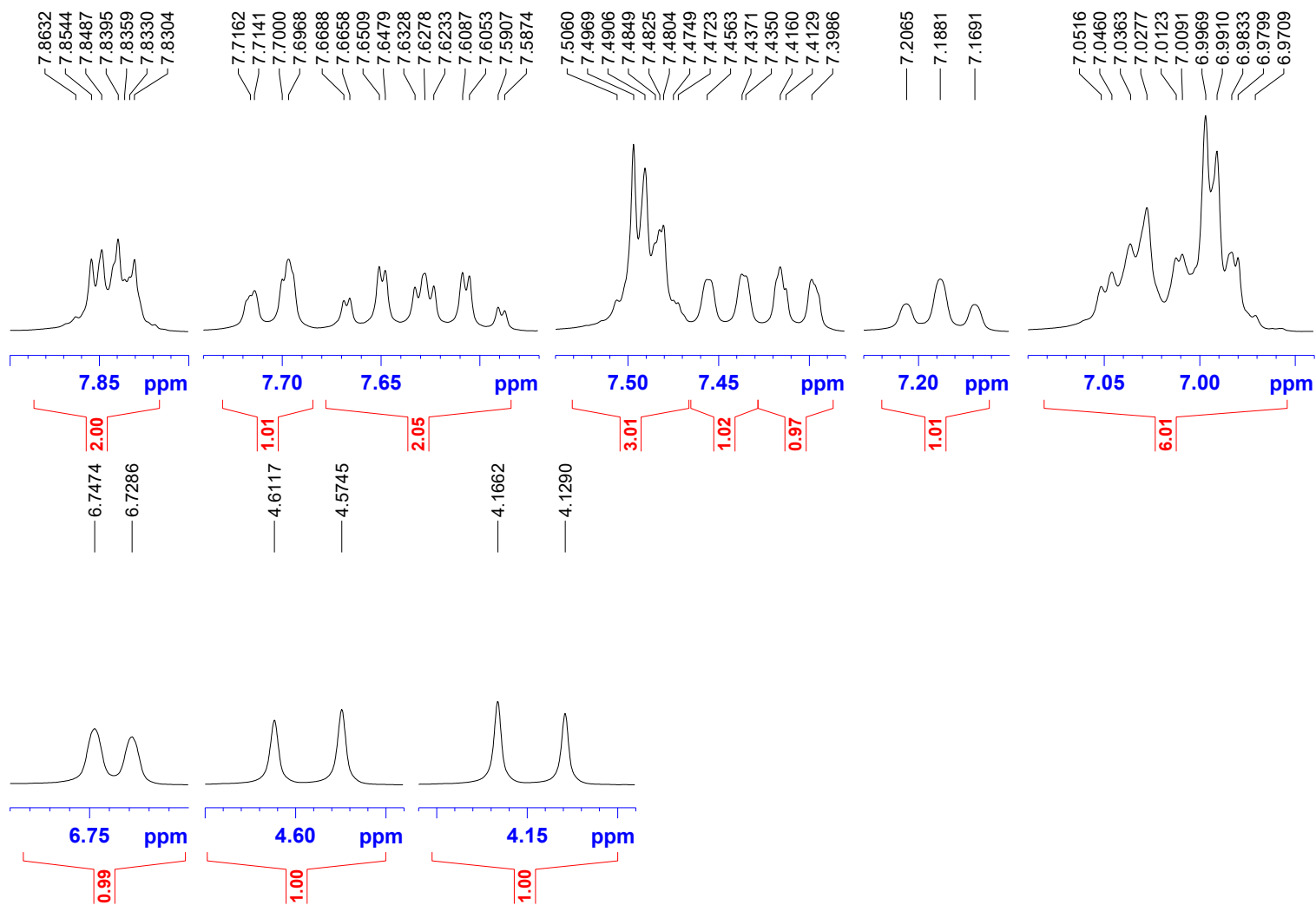


Figure S25. Expanded <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 3ka

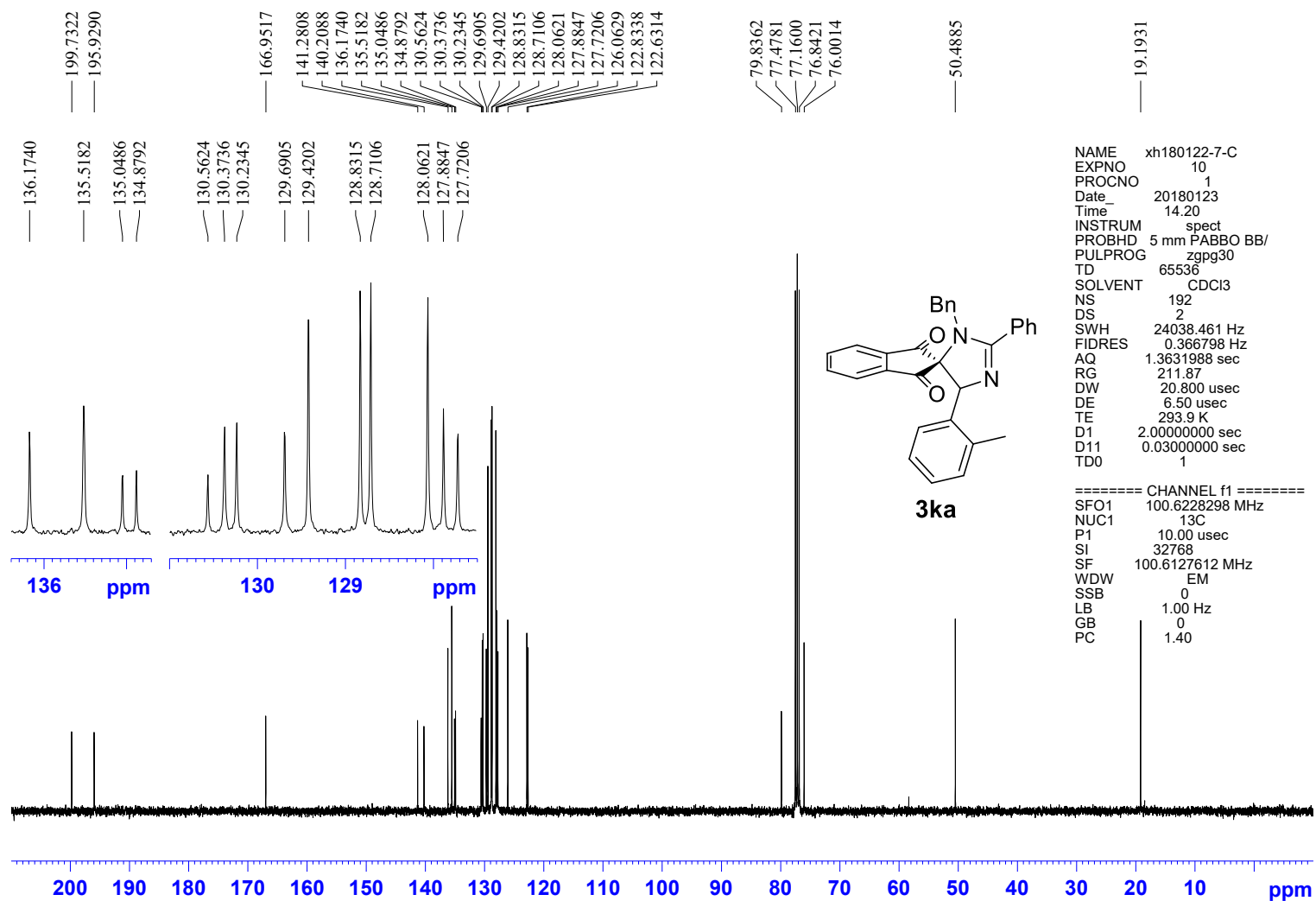


Figure S26. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 3ka

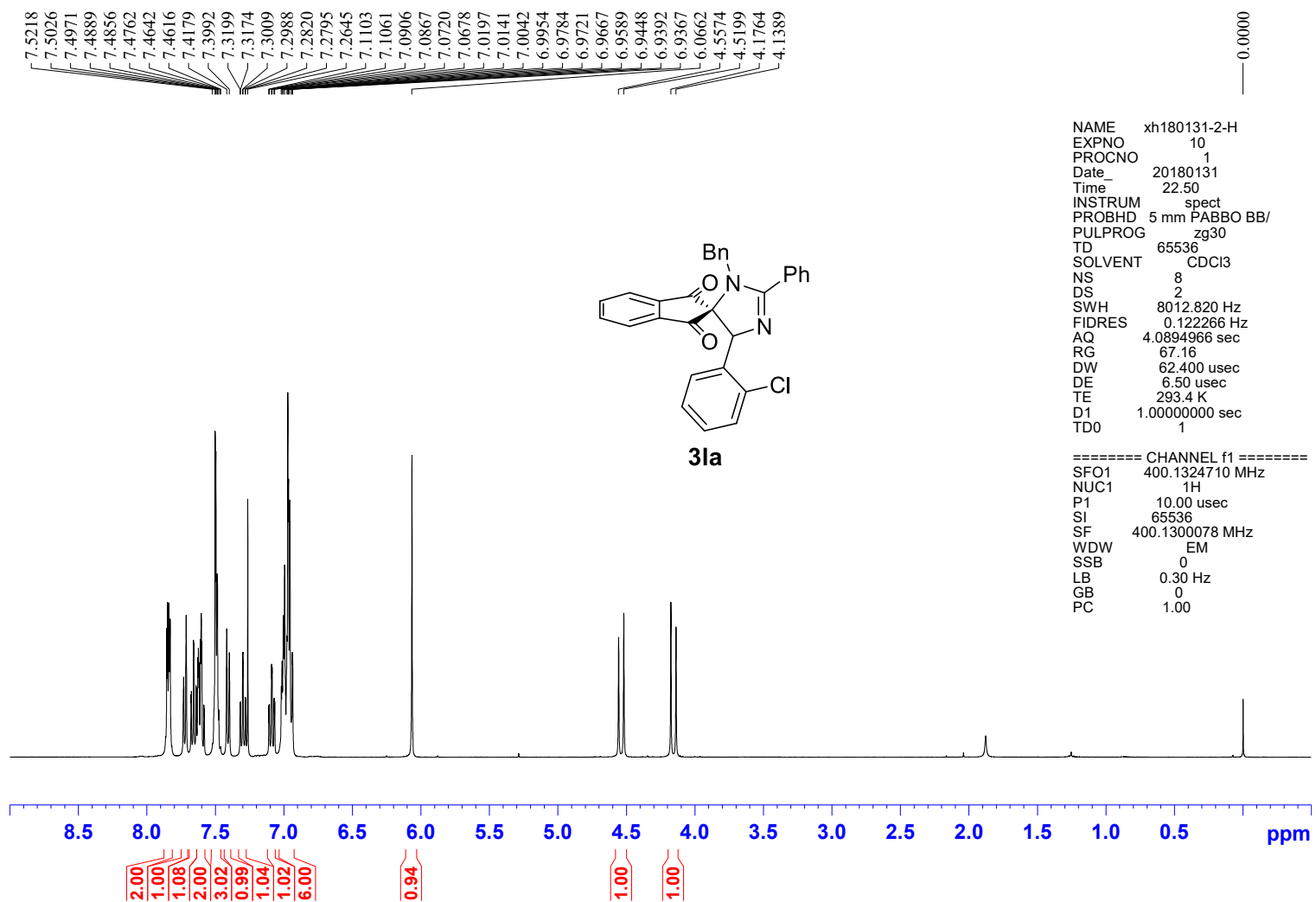


Figure S27.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of compound 3la

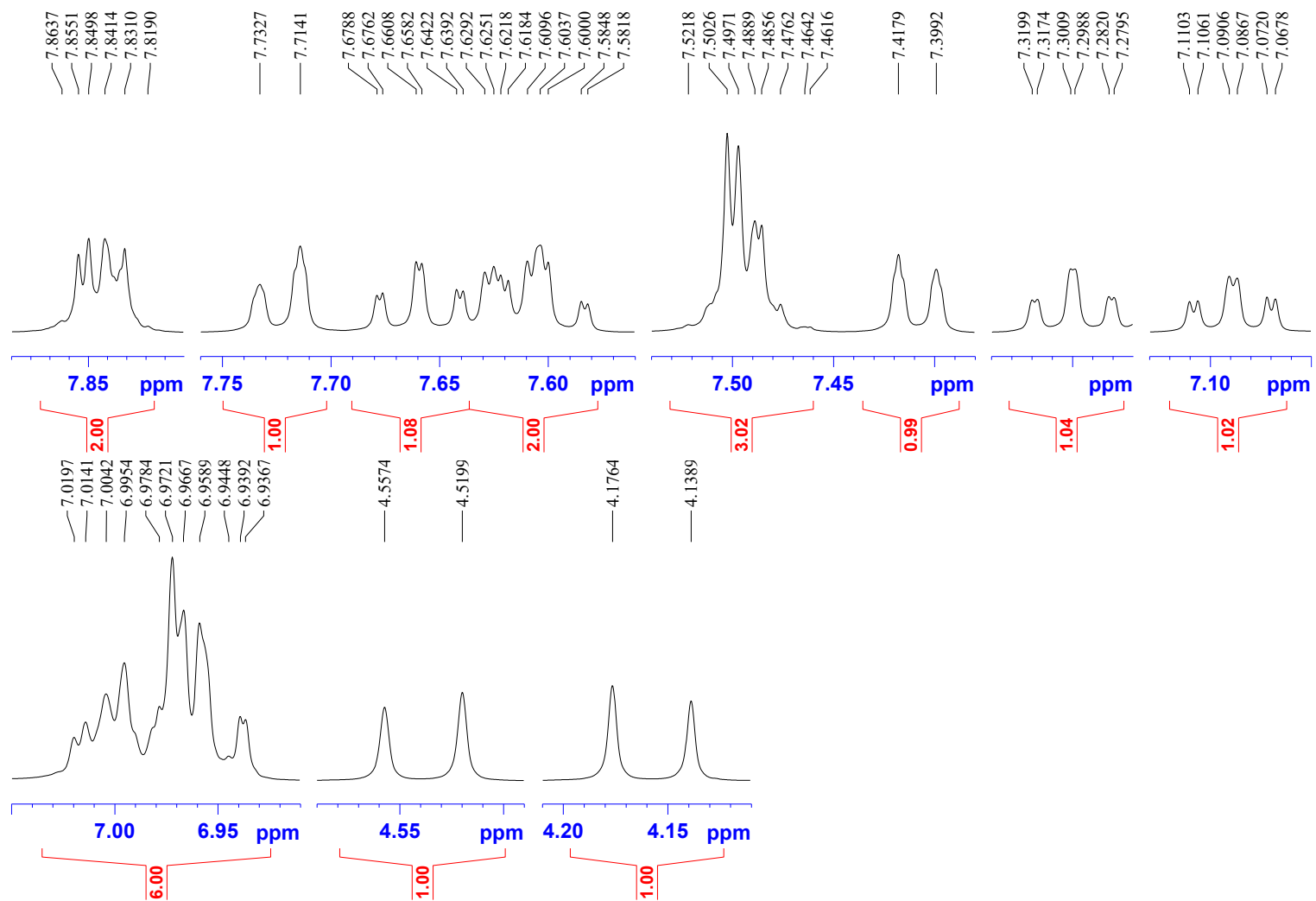


Figure S28. Expanded <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 3la

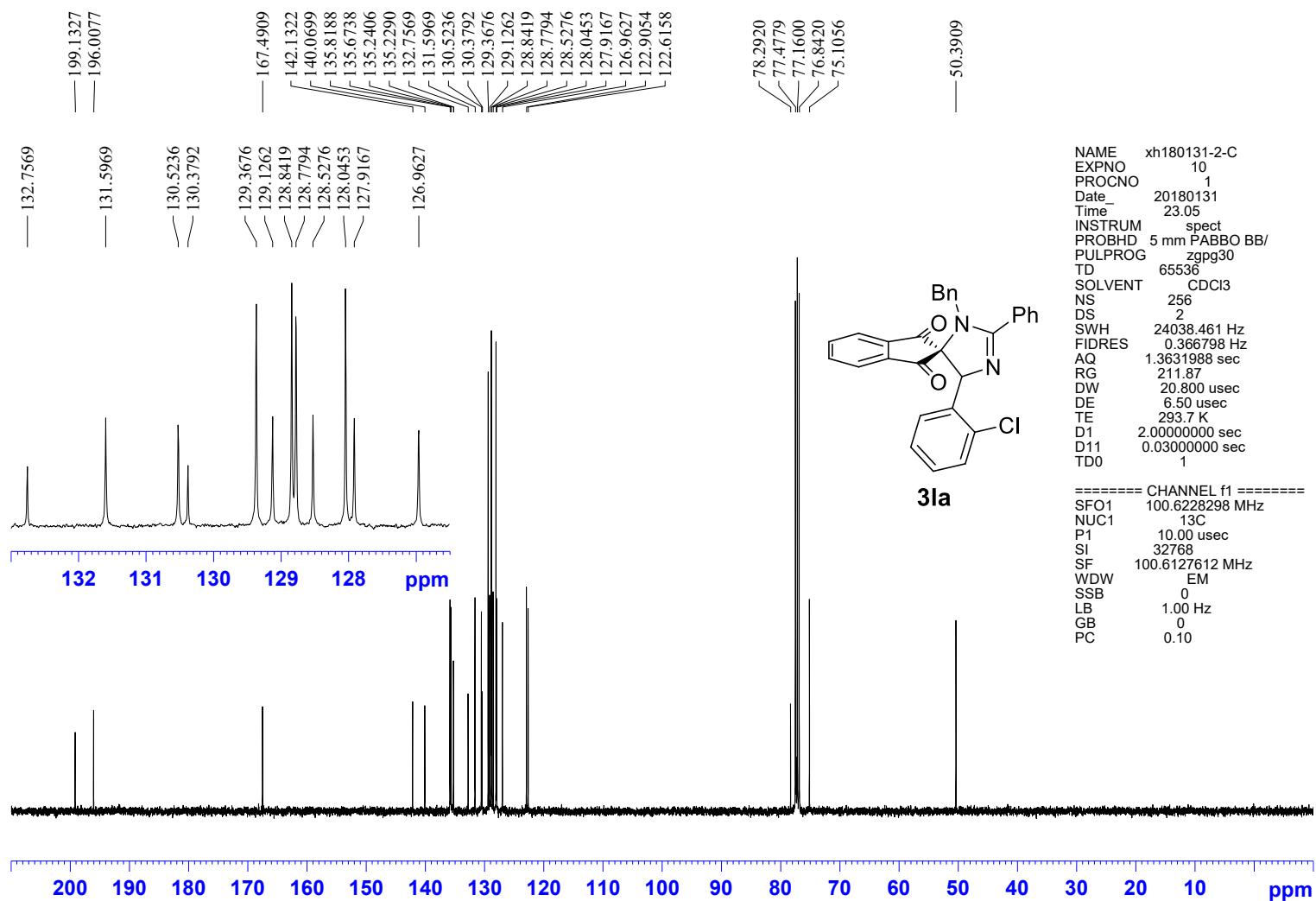


Figure S29. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 3la

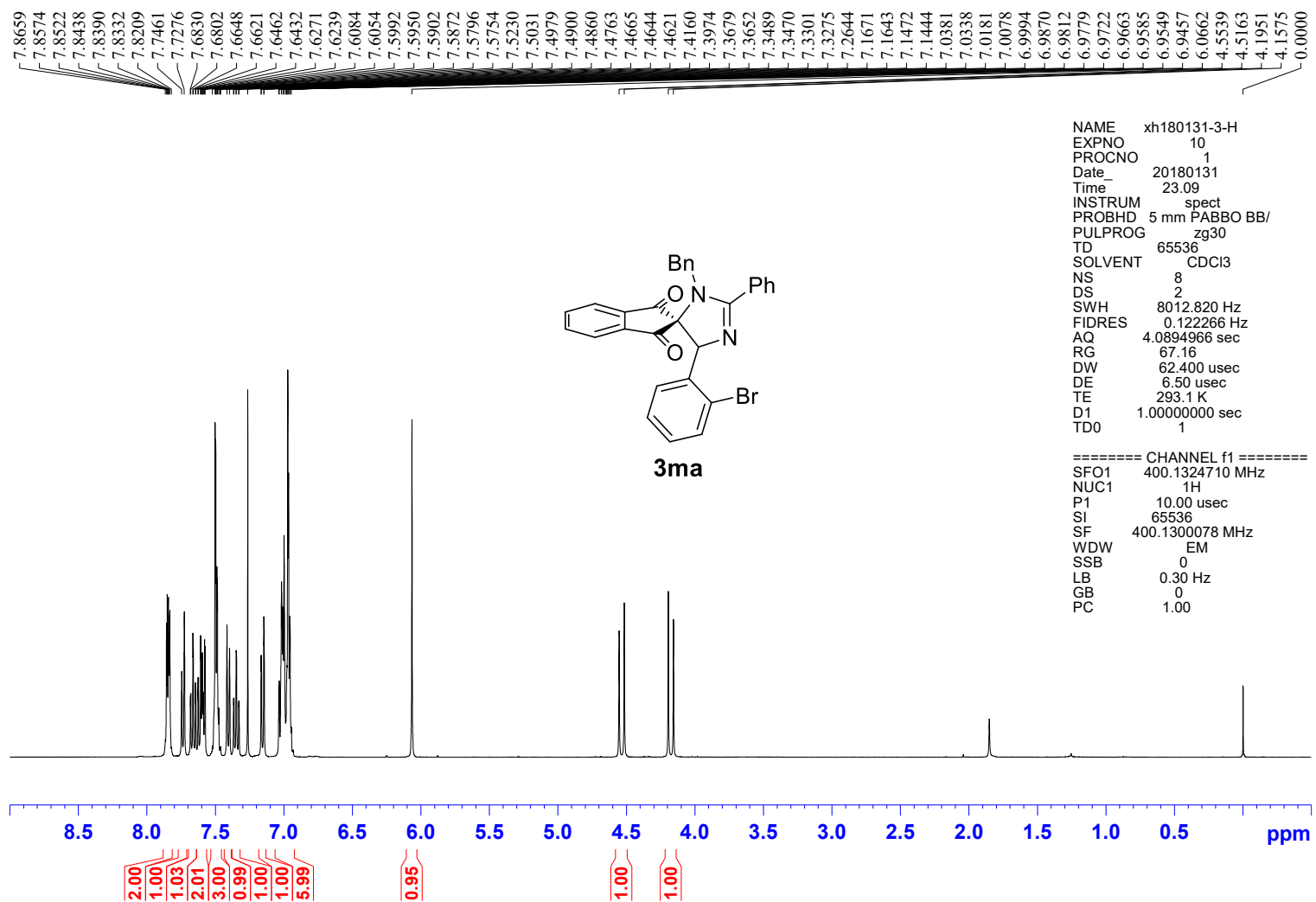


Figure S30. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 3ma

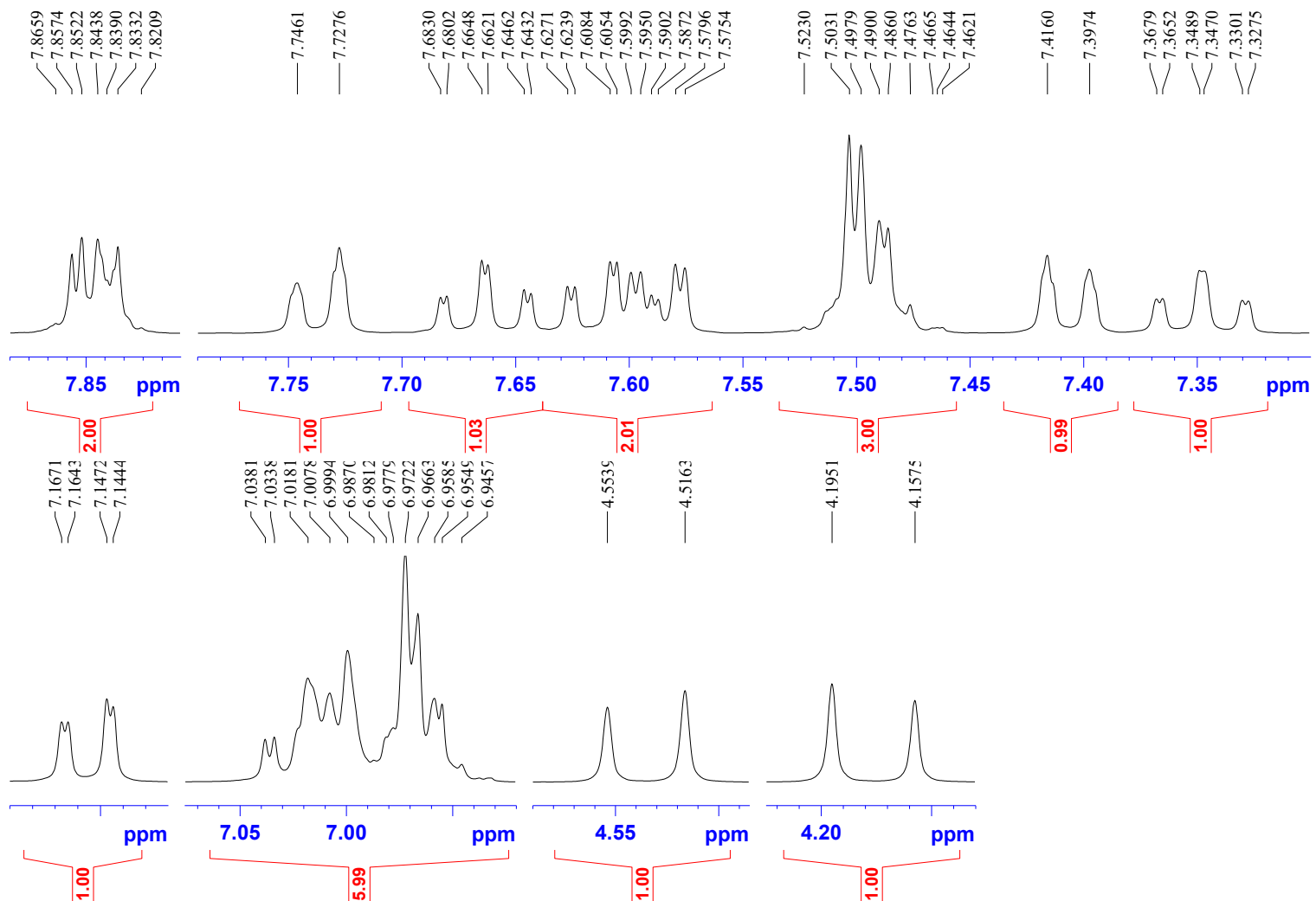


Figure S31. Expanded <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 3ma





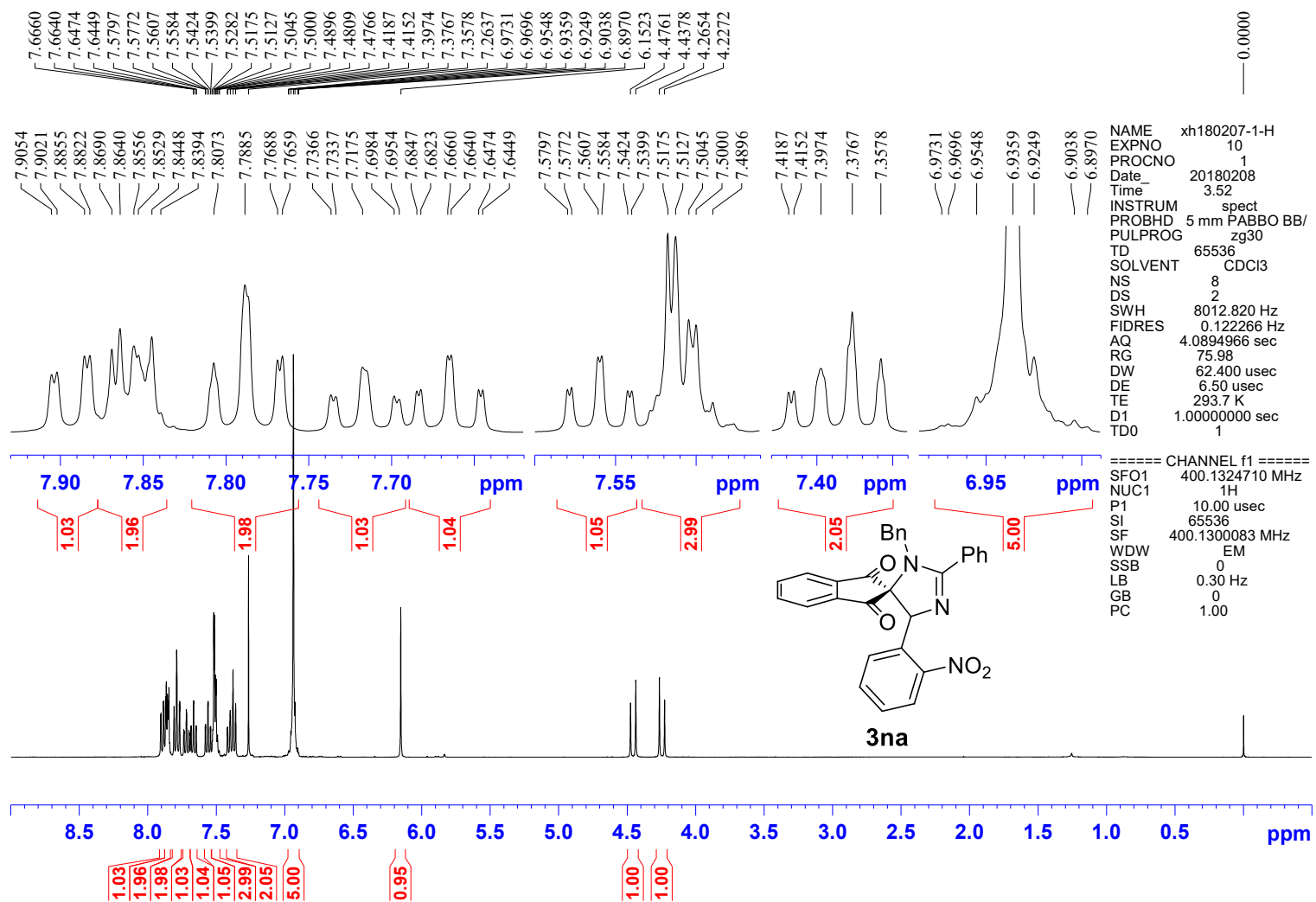


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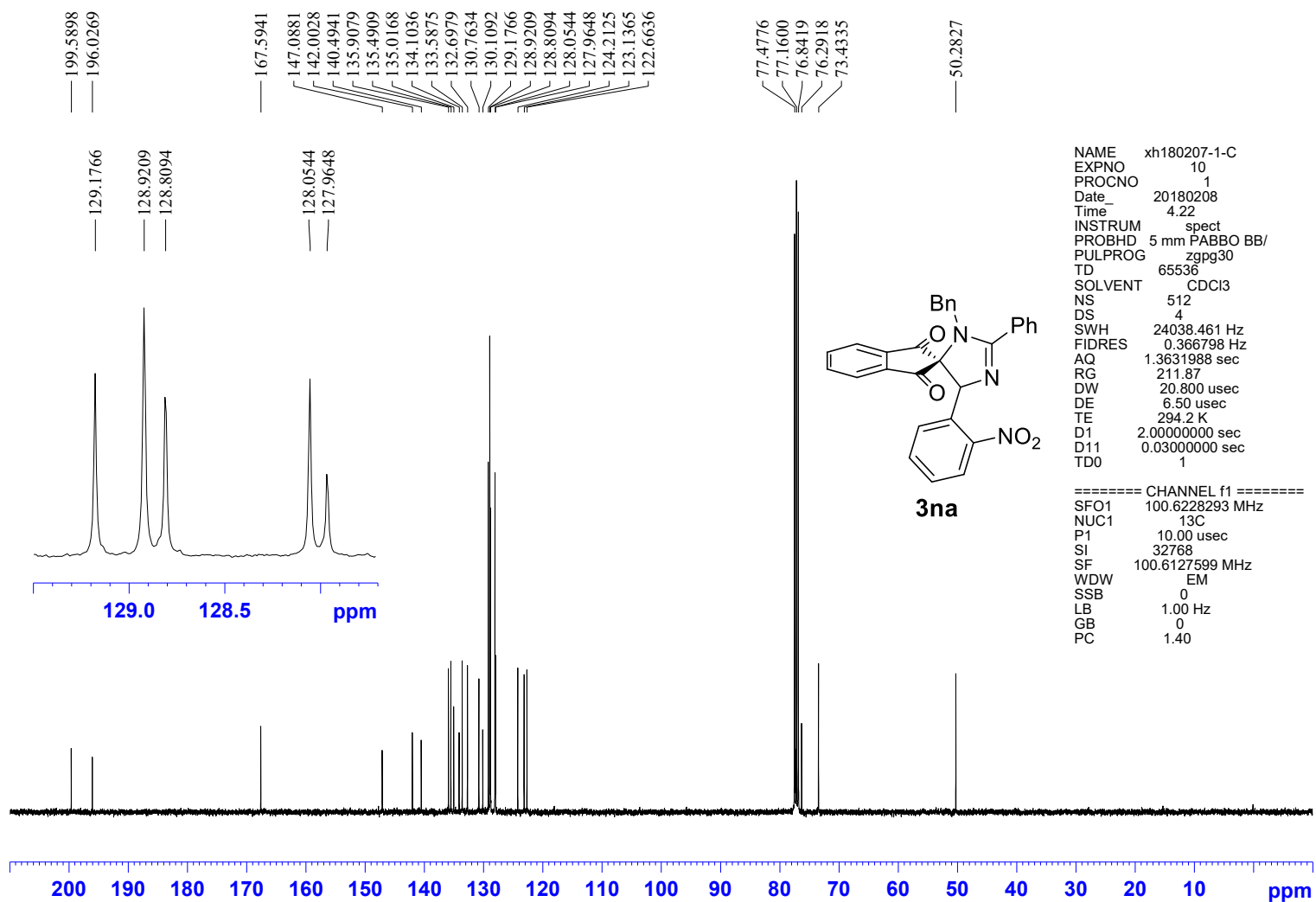


Figure S34. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 3na

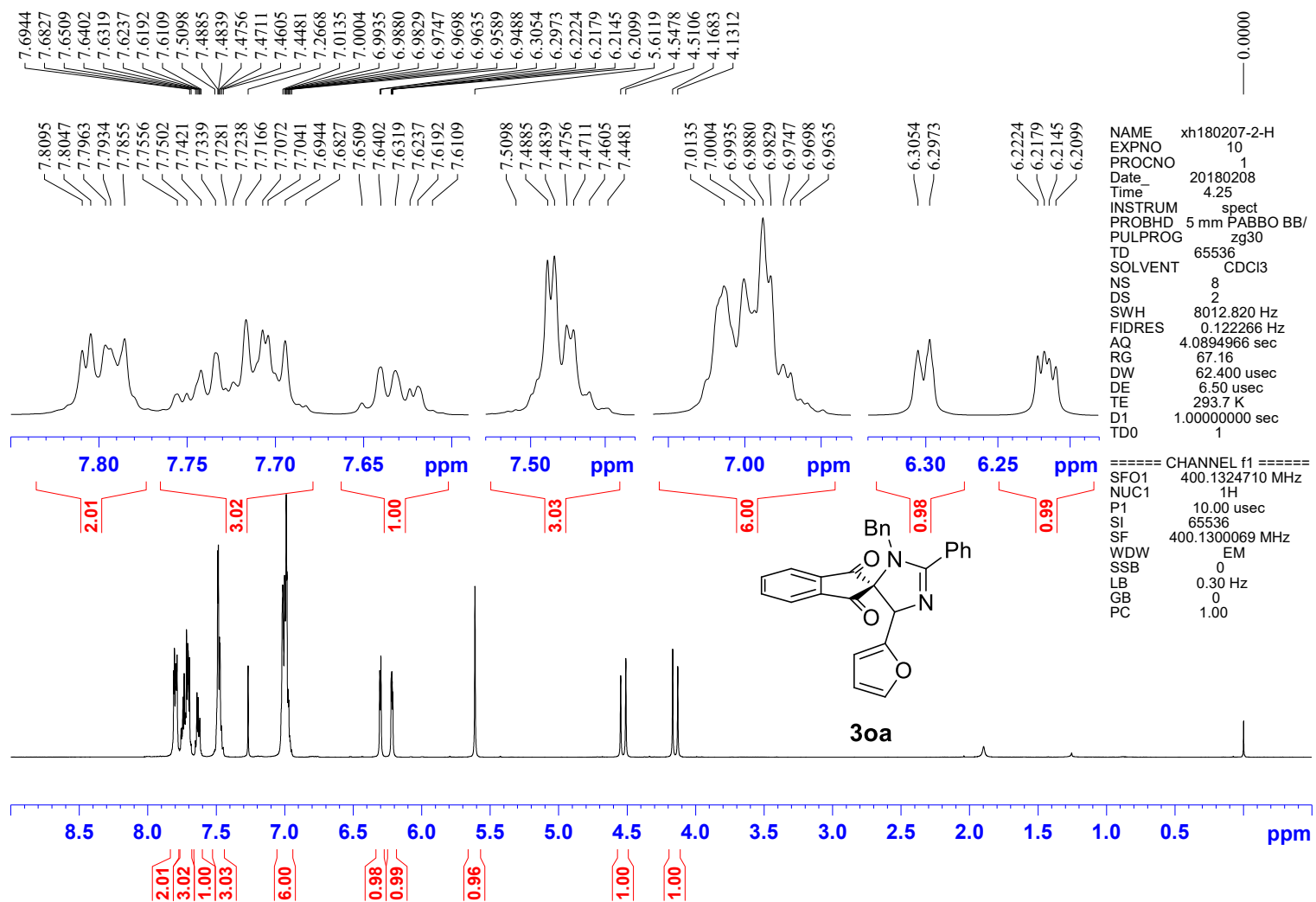


Figure S35. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 30a

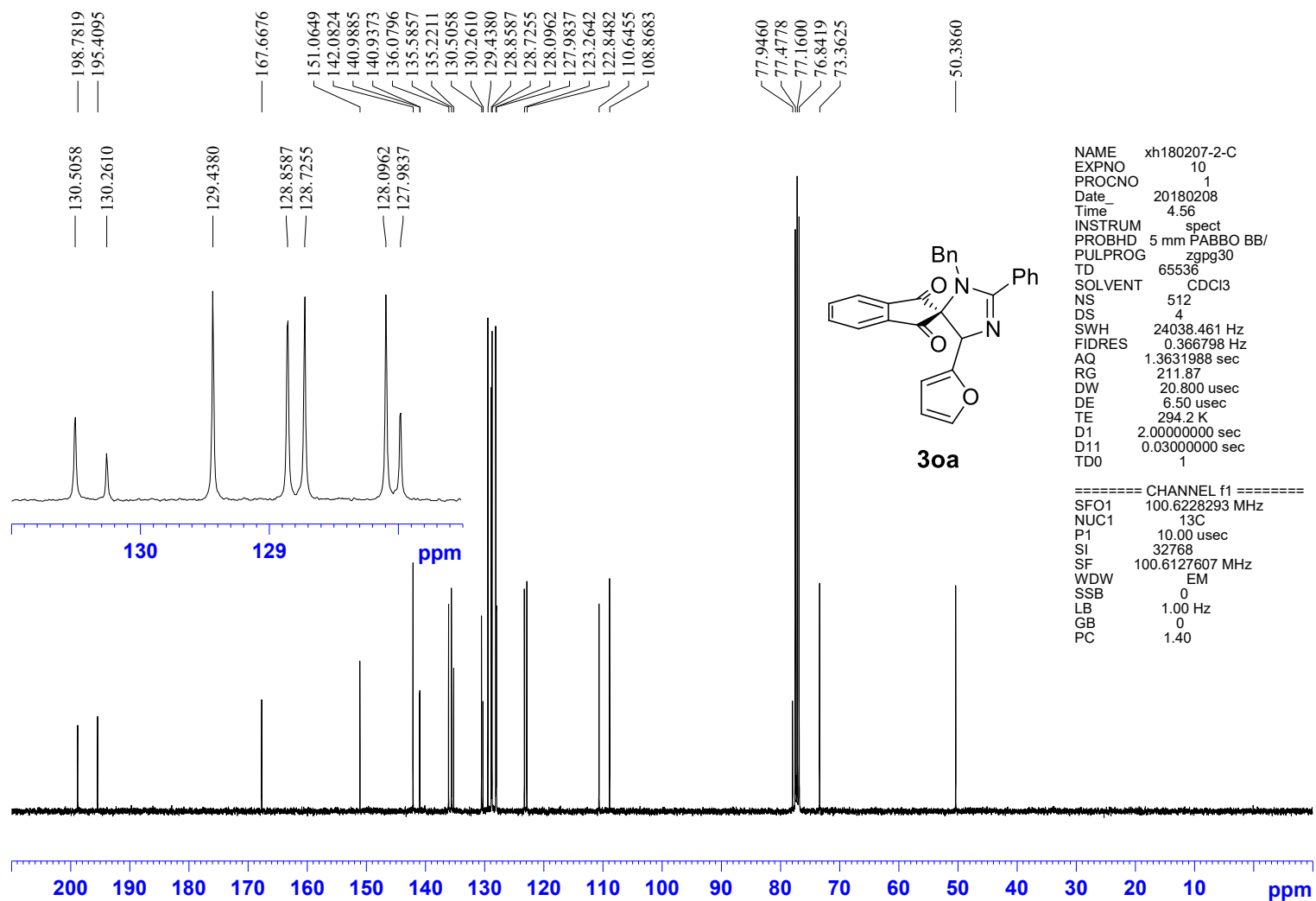


Figure S36. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 30a

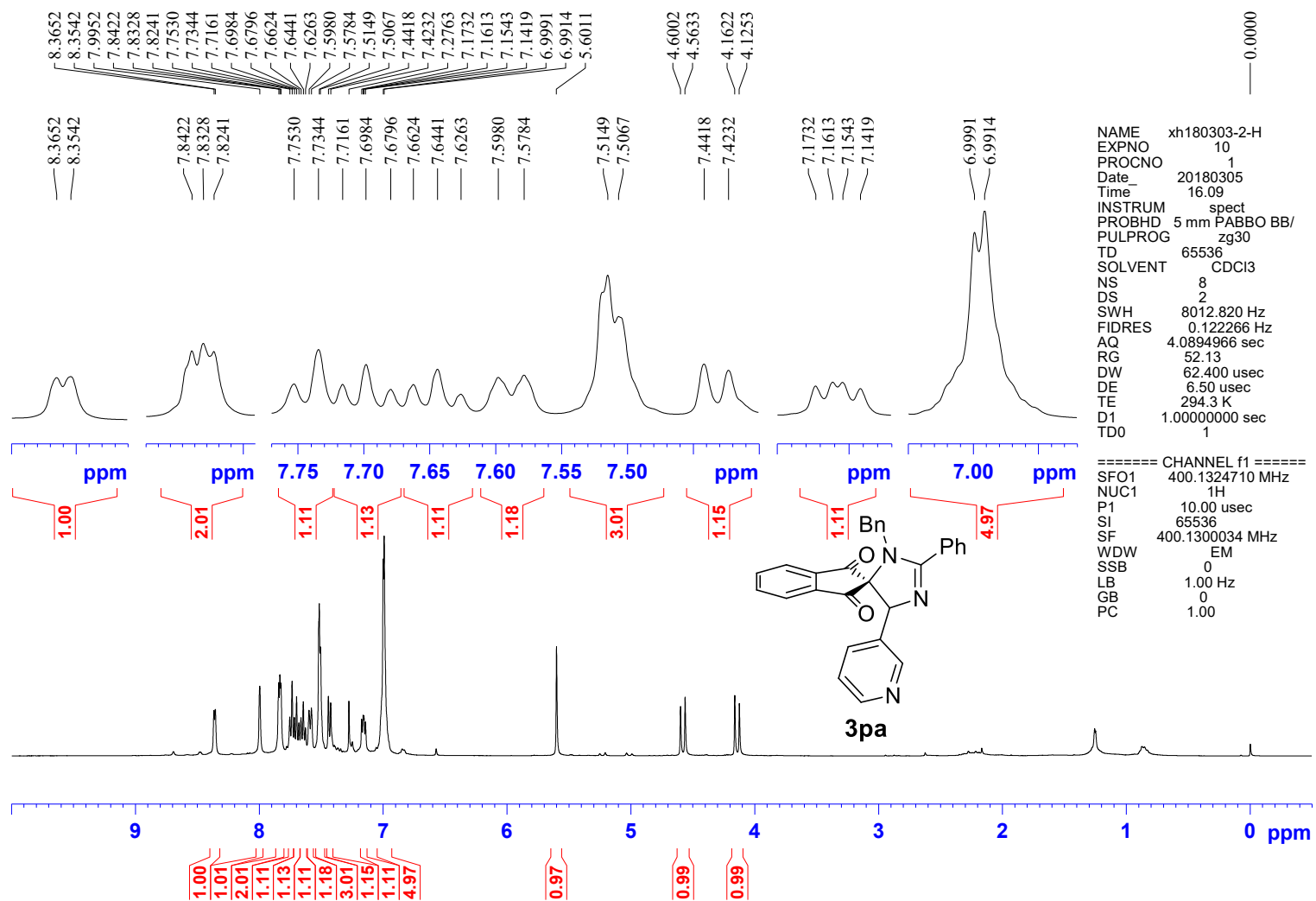


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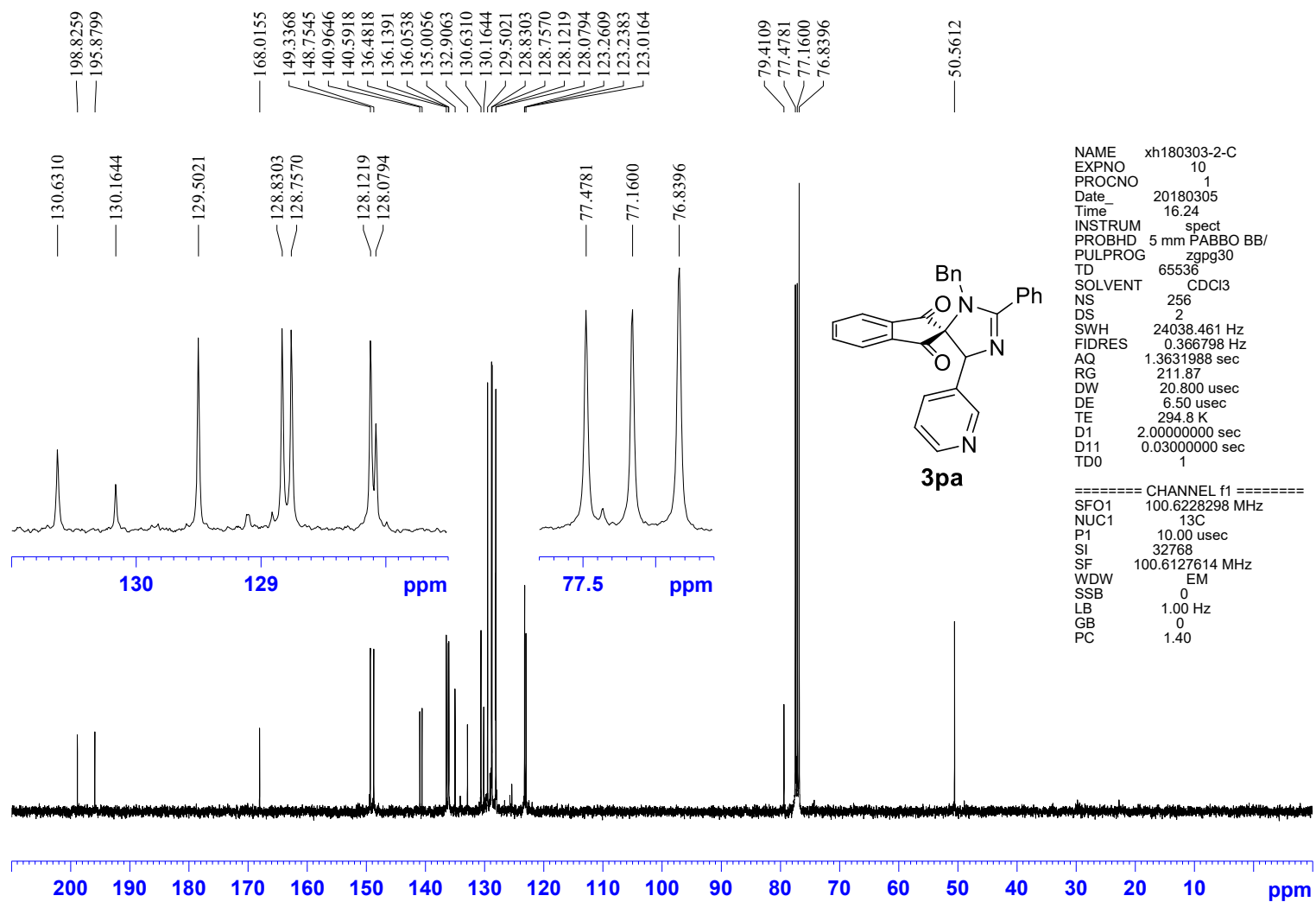


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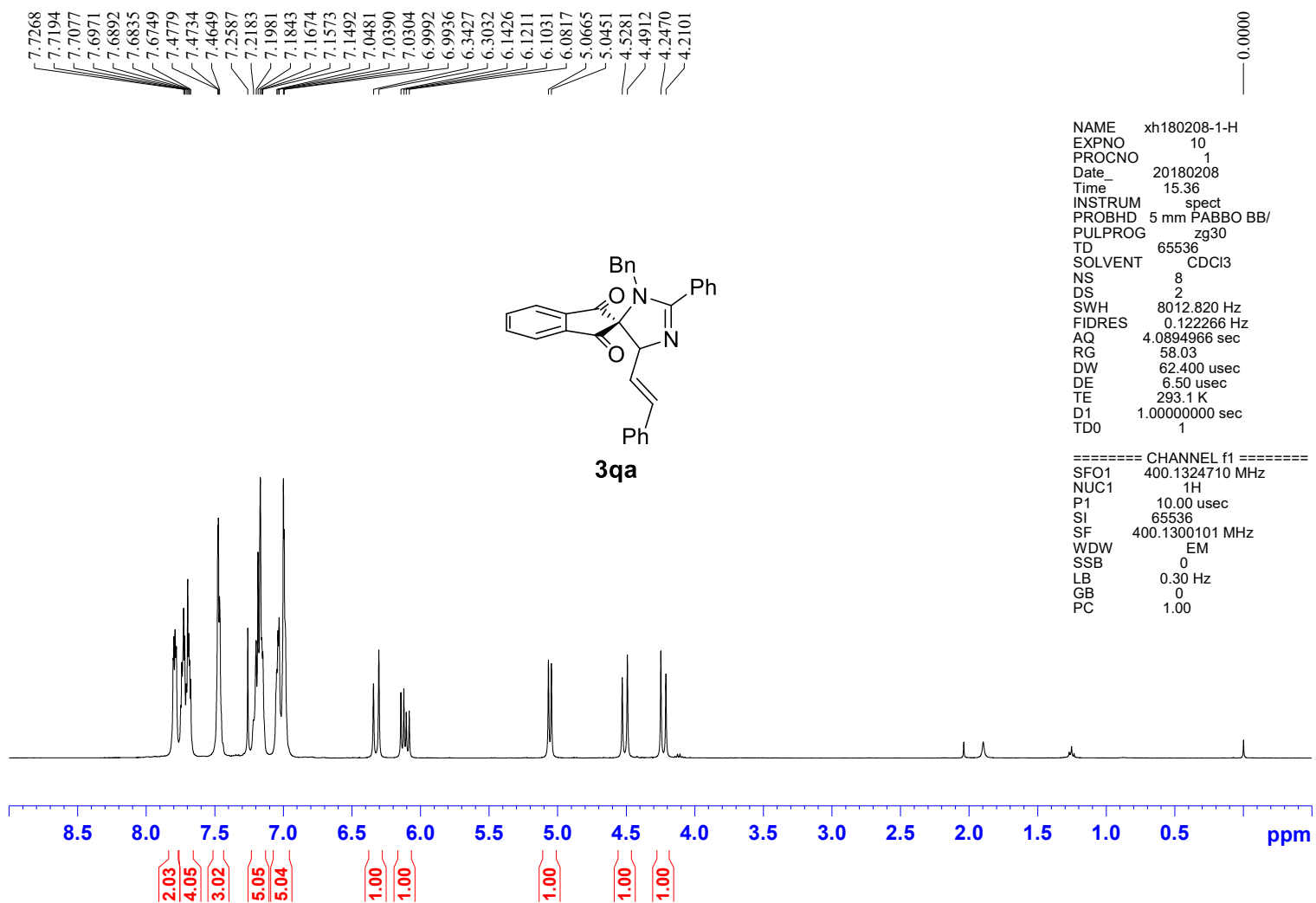


Figure S39. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 3qa

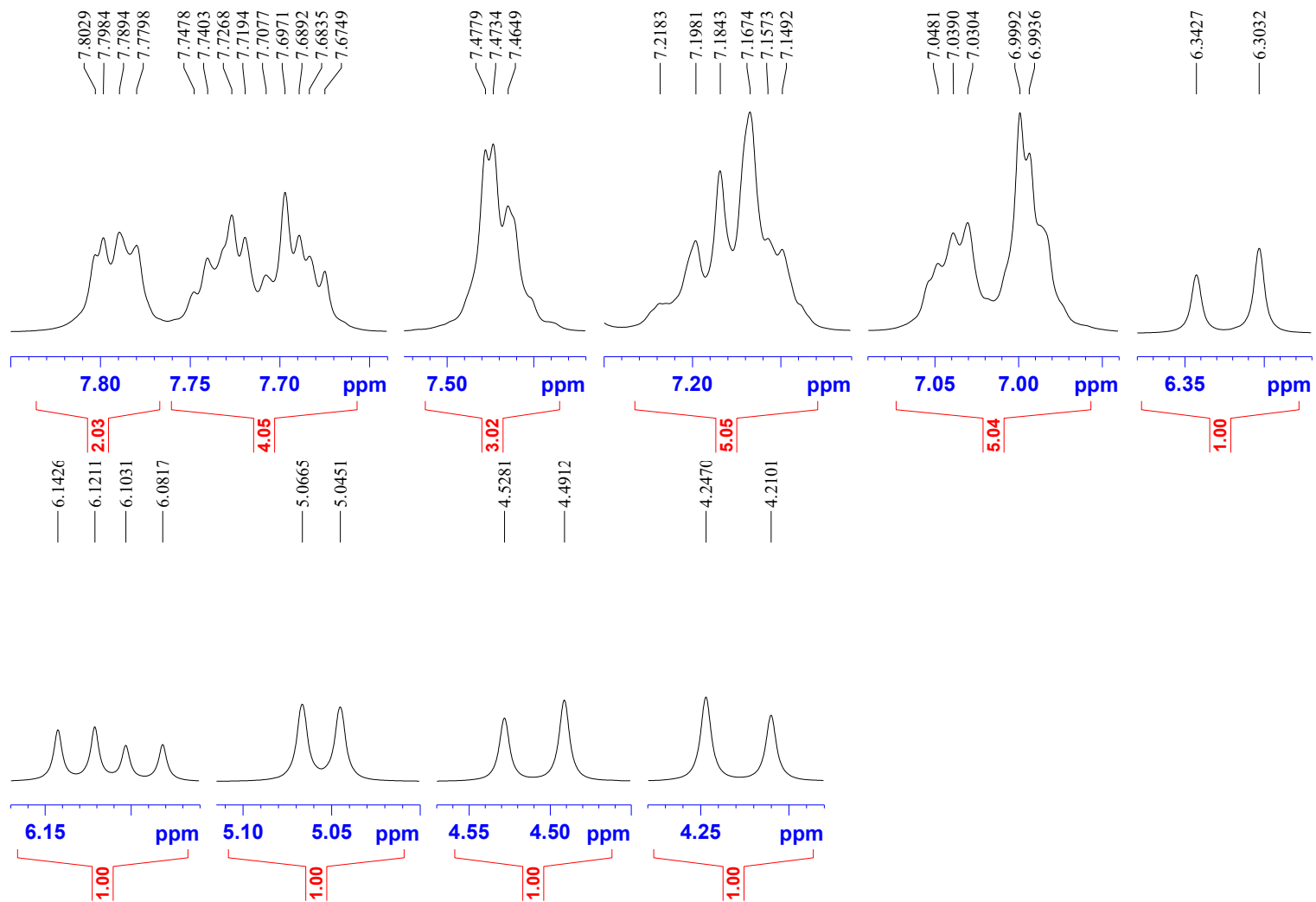


Figure S40. Expanded <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 3qa



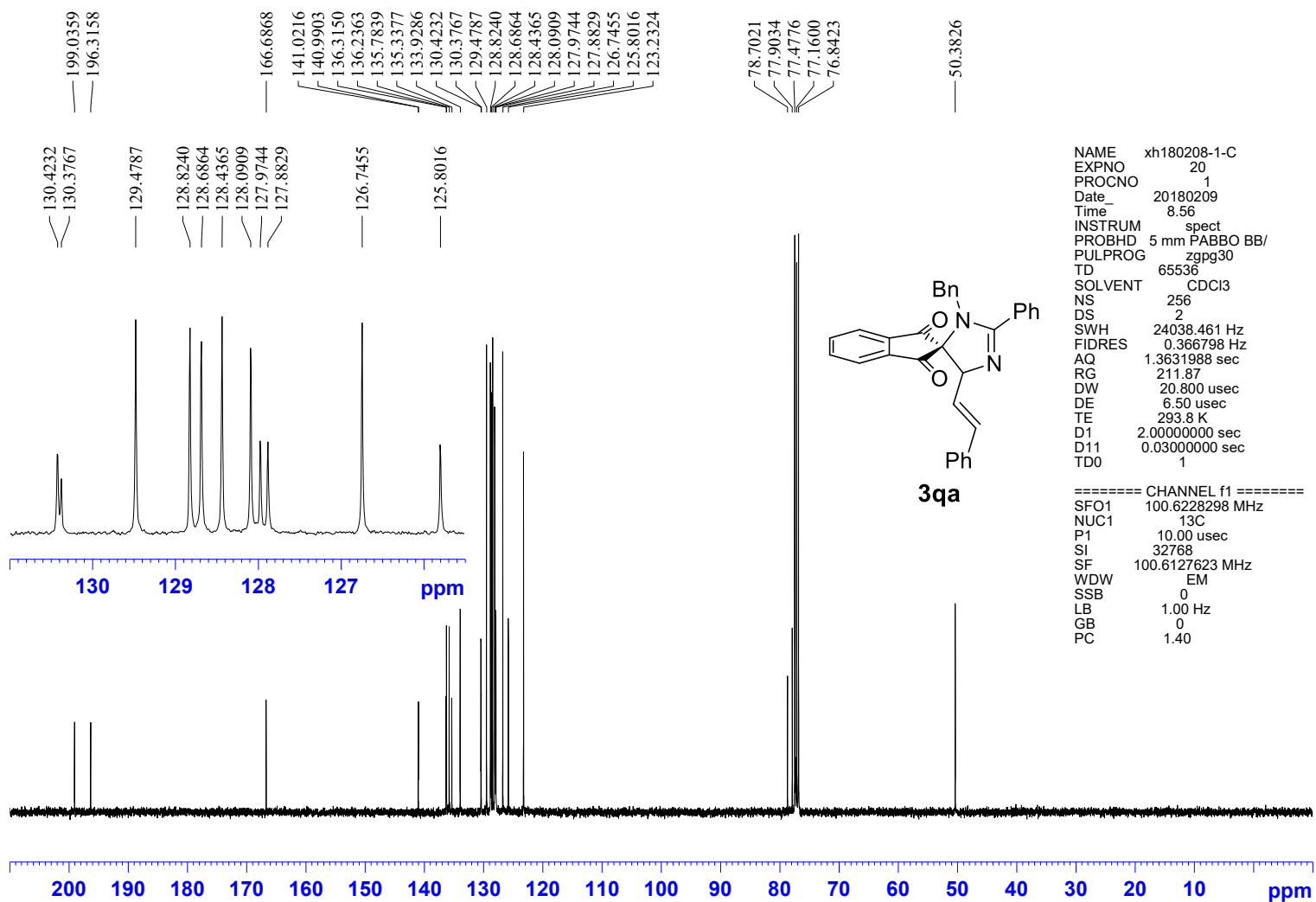


Figure S41.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of compound 3qa

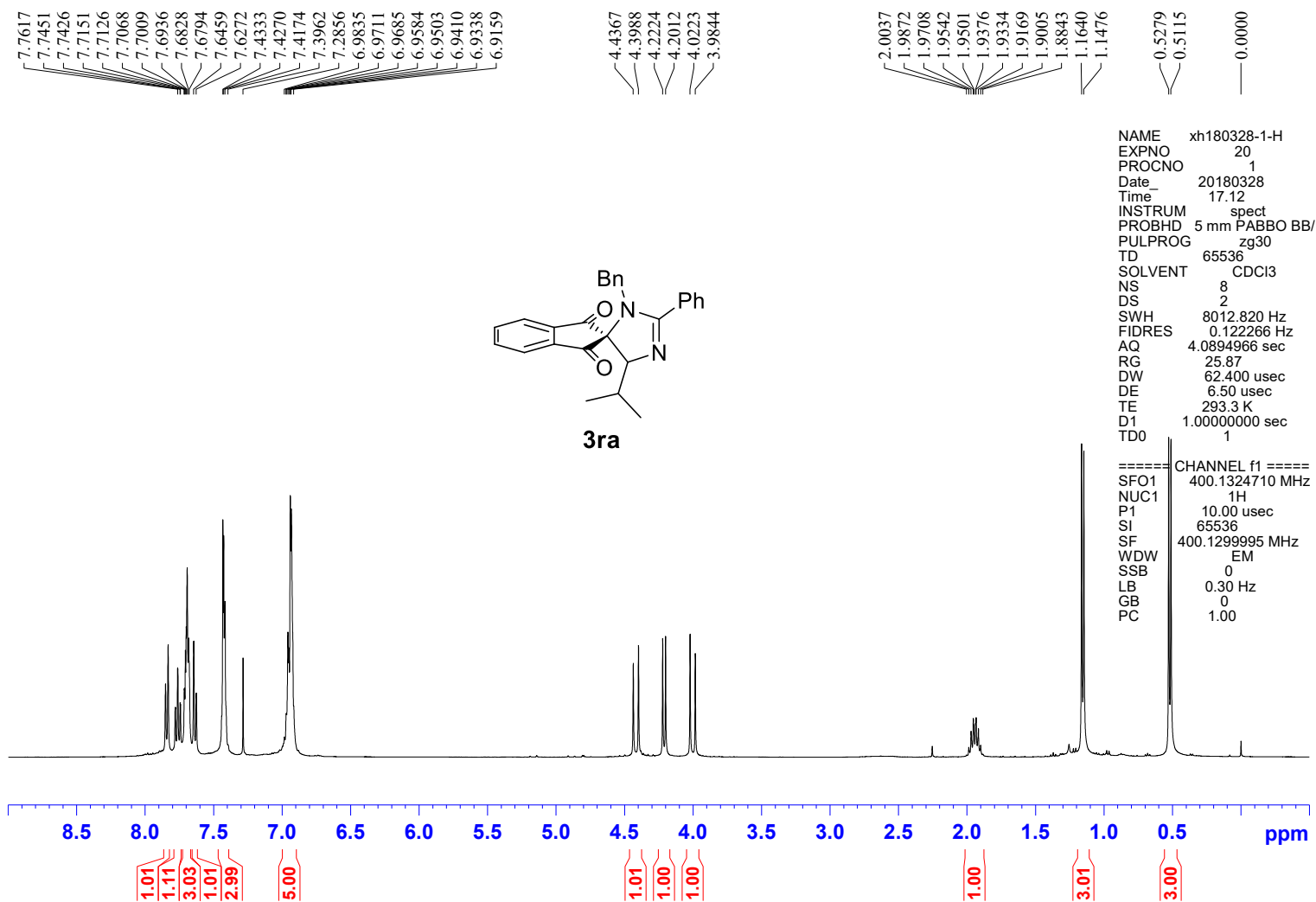


Figure S42.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of compound **3ra**

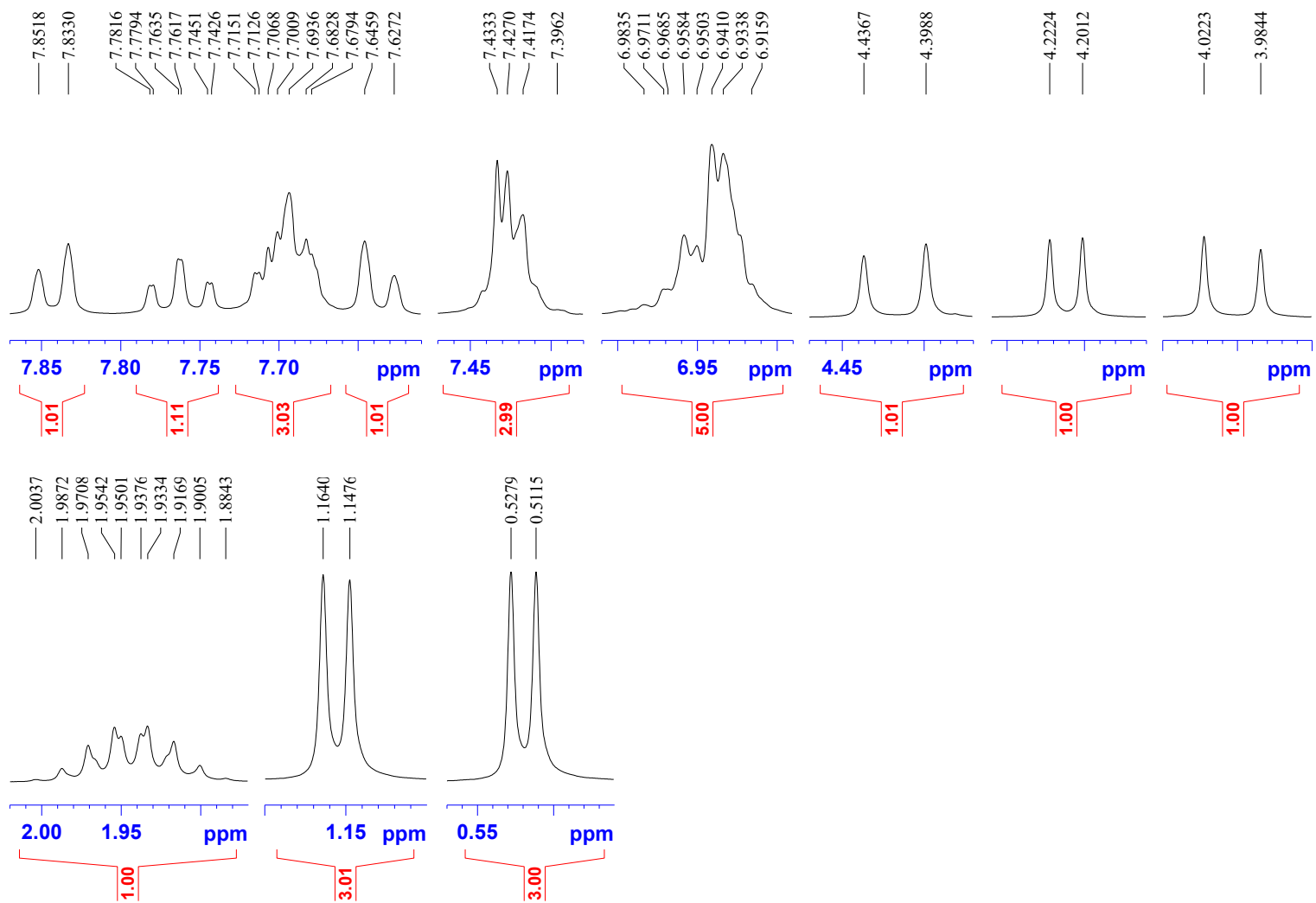


Figure S43. Expanded <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 3ra

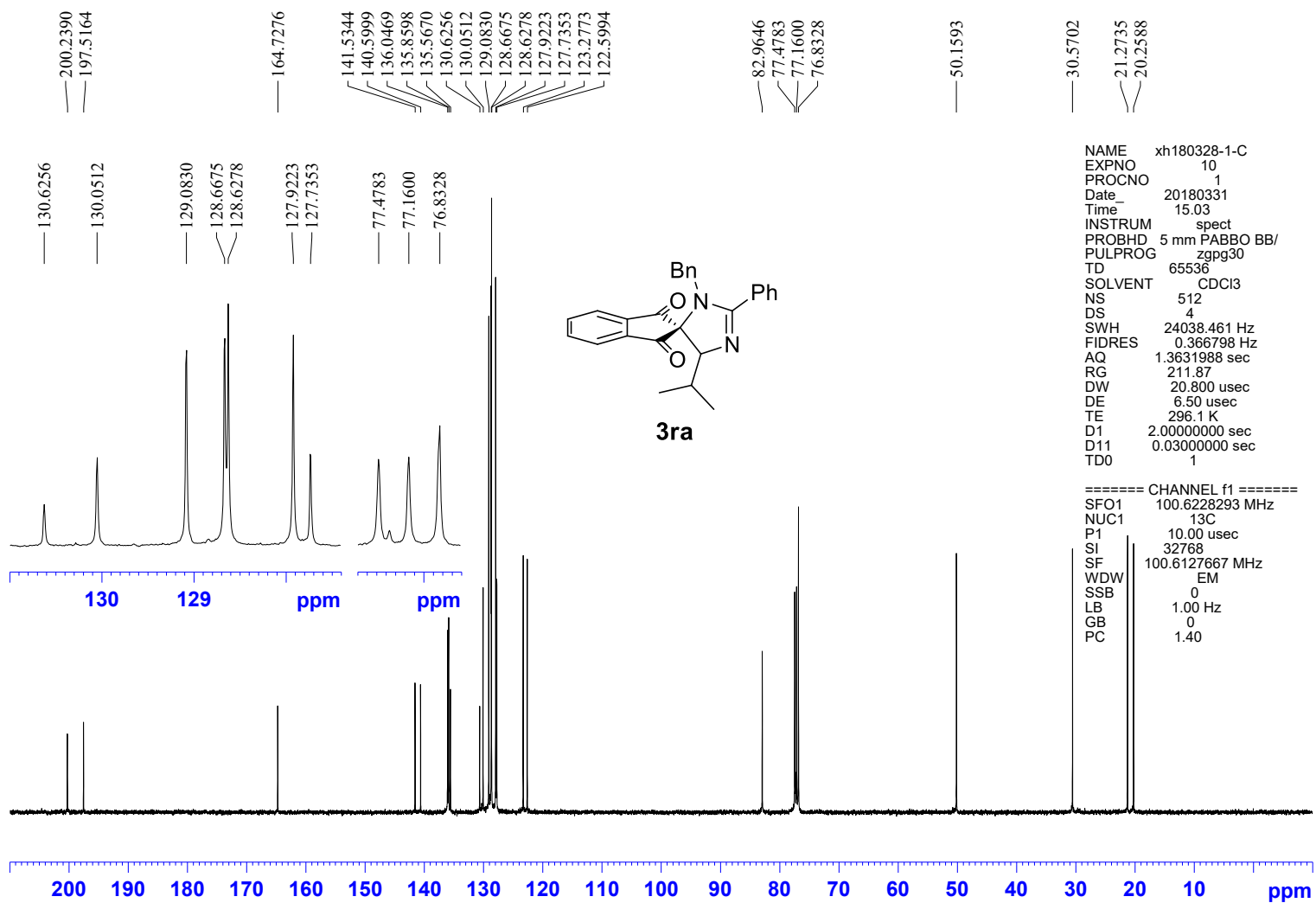


Figure S44. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 3ra

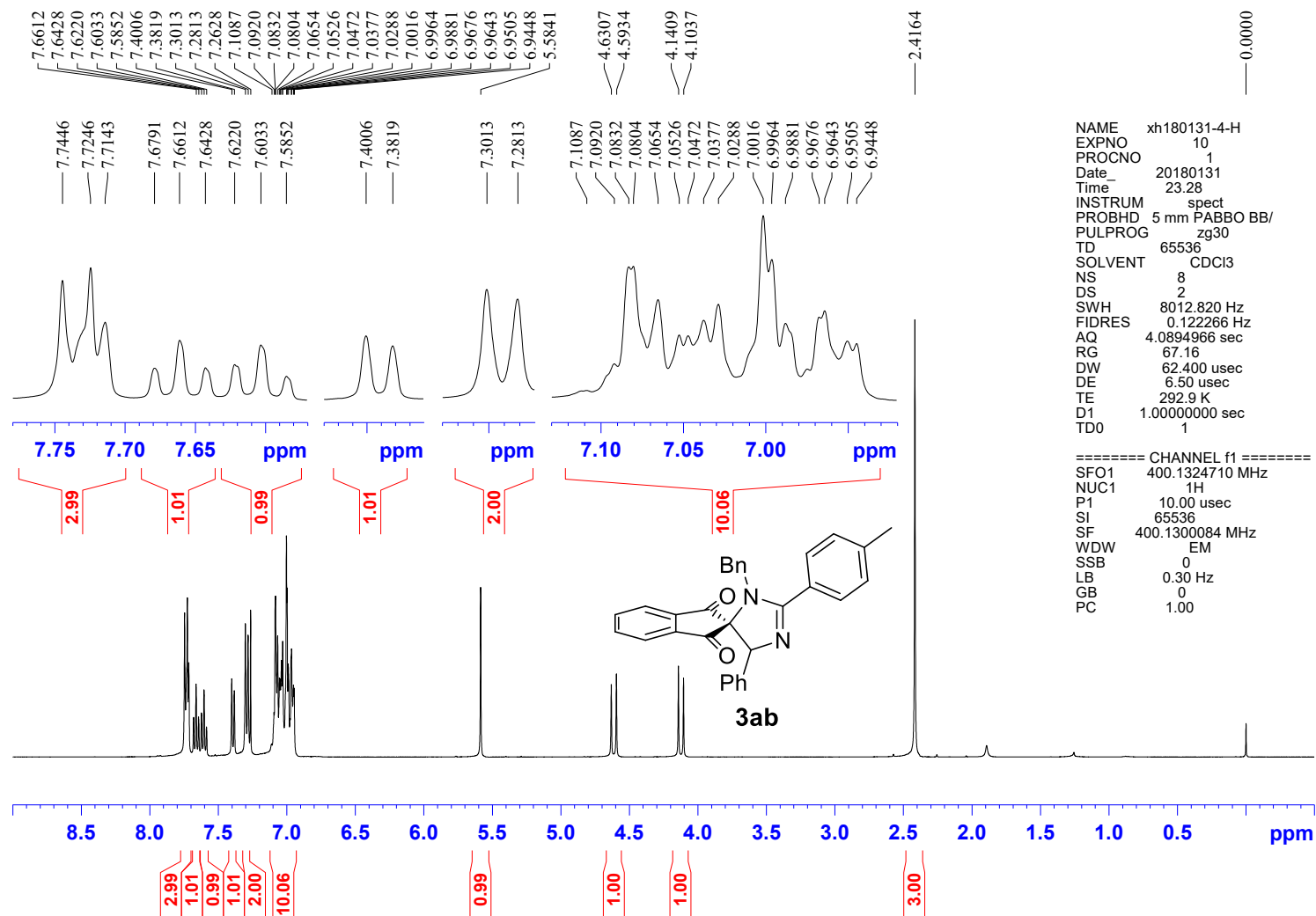


Figure S45. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 3ab

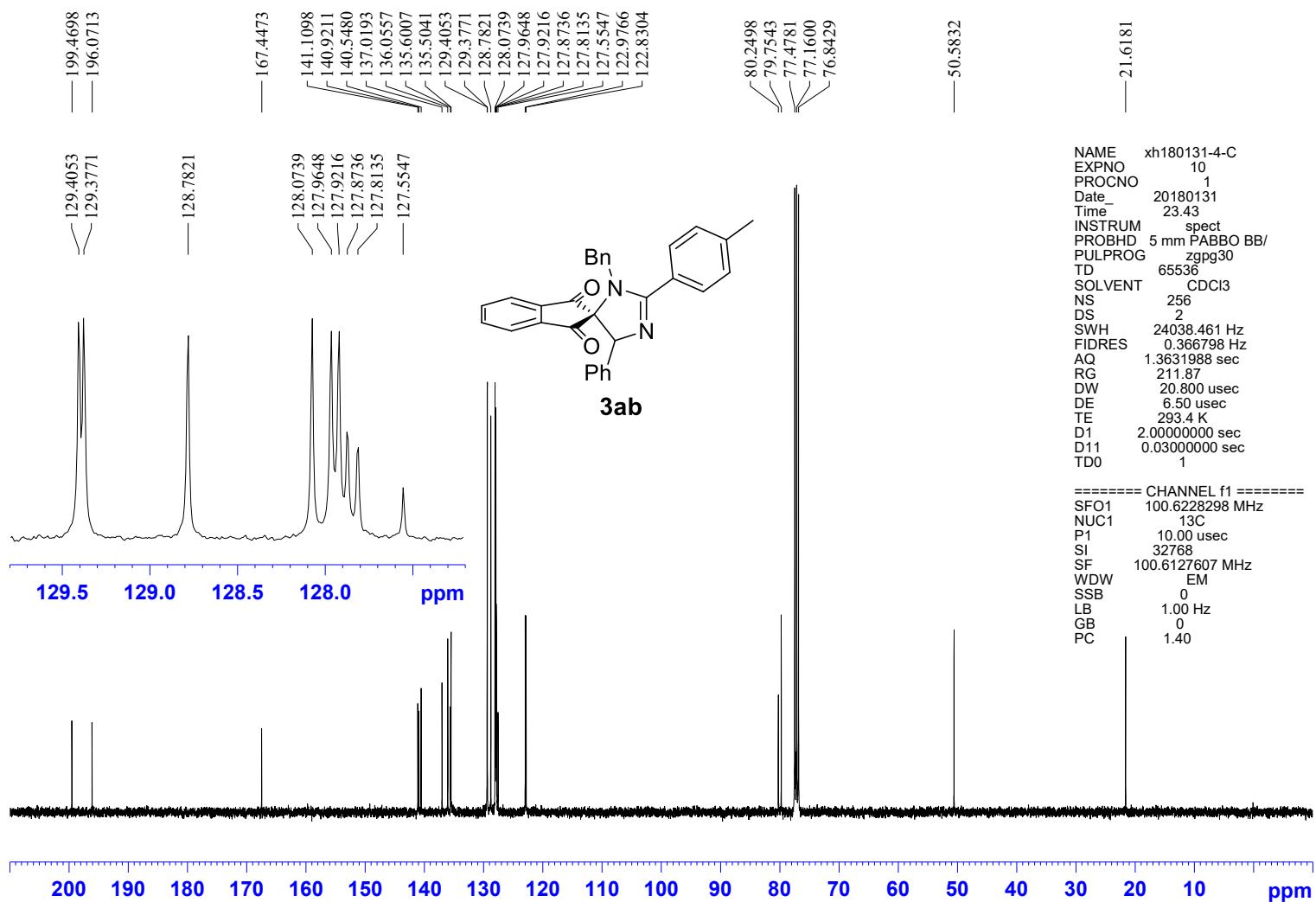


Figure S46. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 3ab

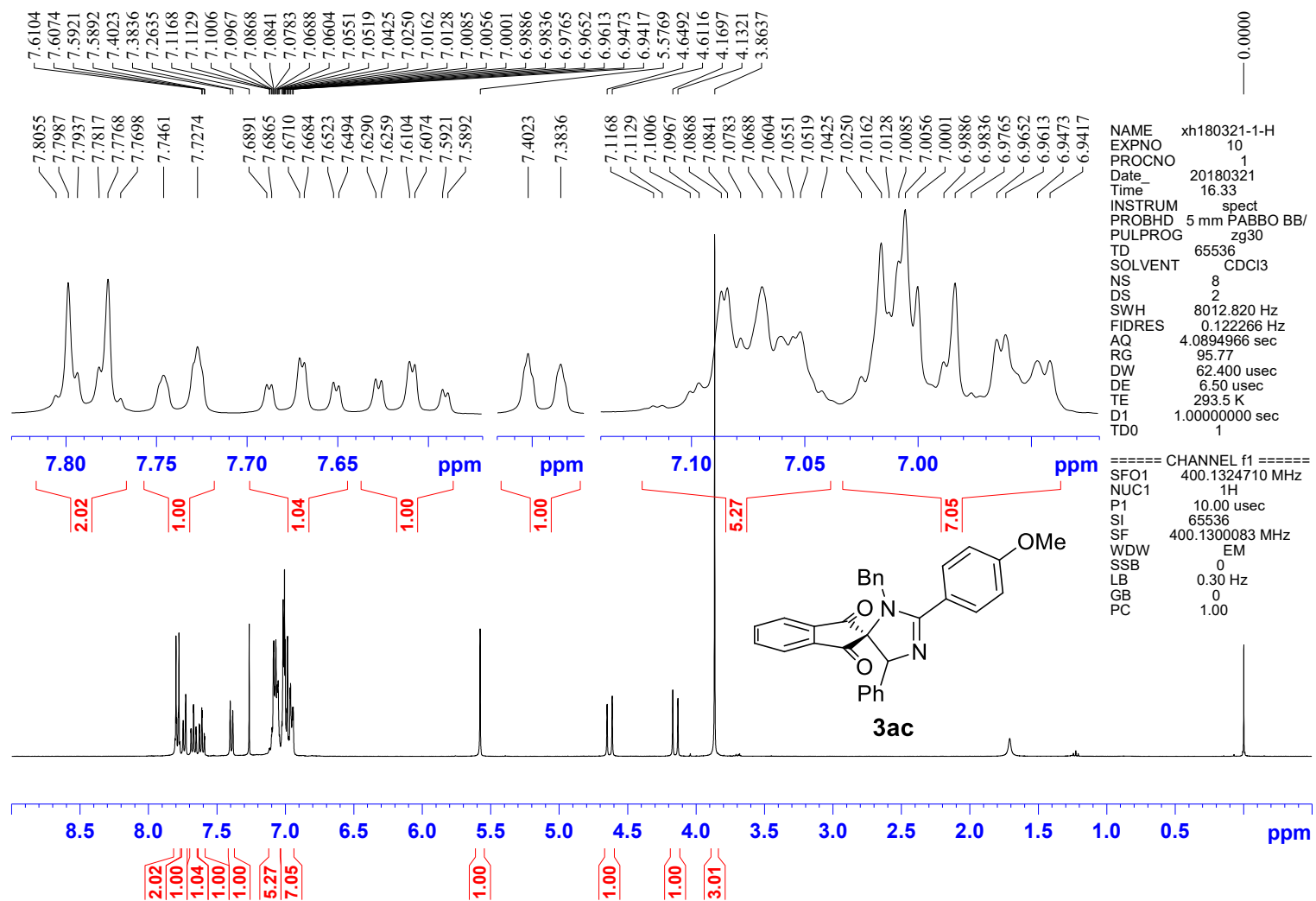


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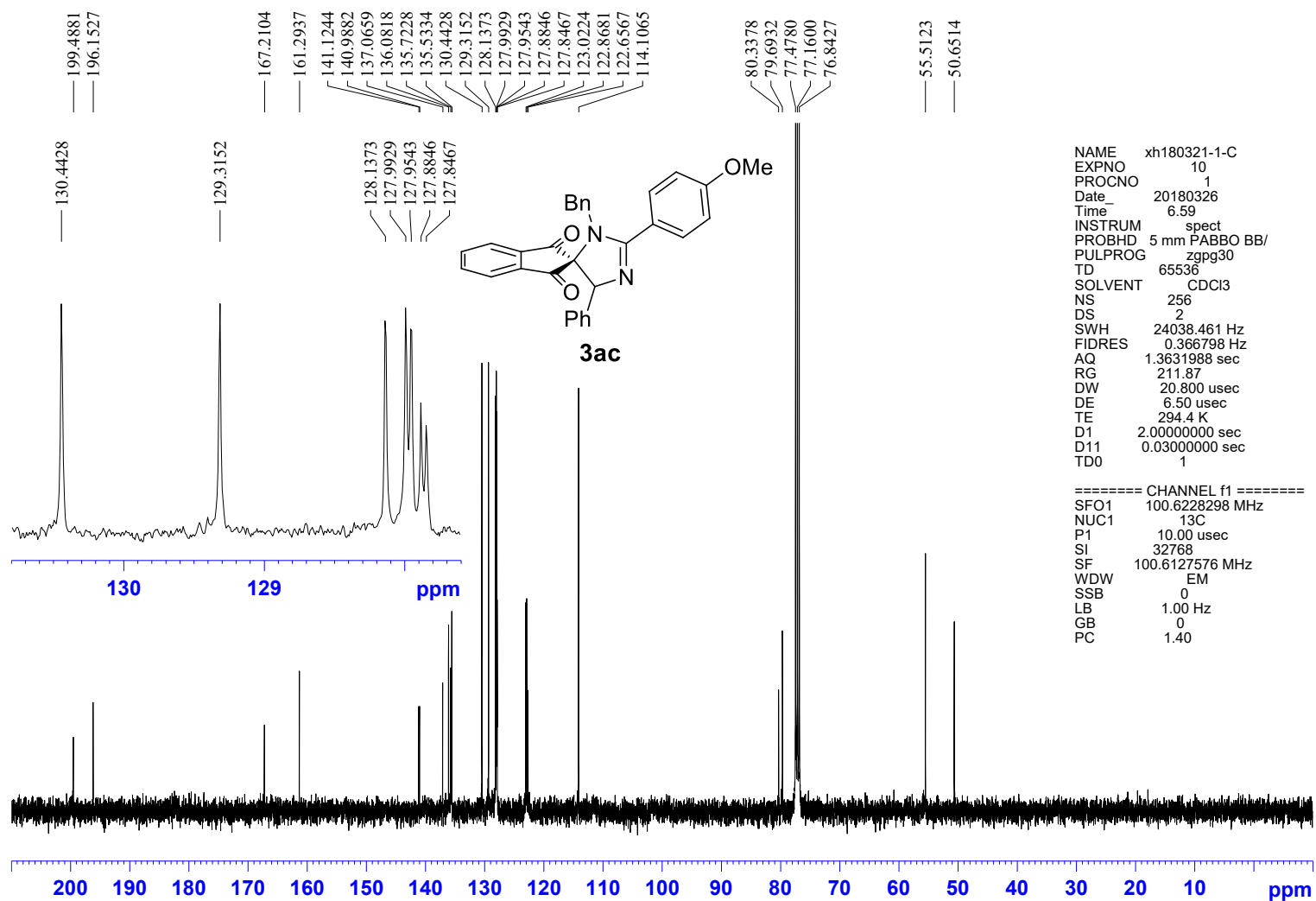


Figure S48. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 3ac



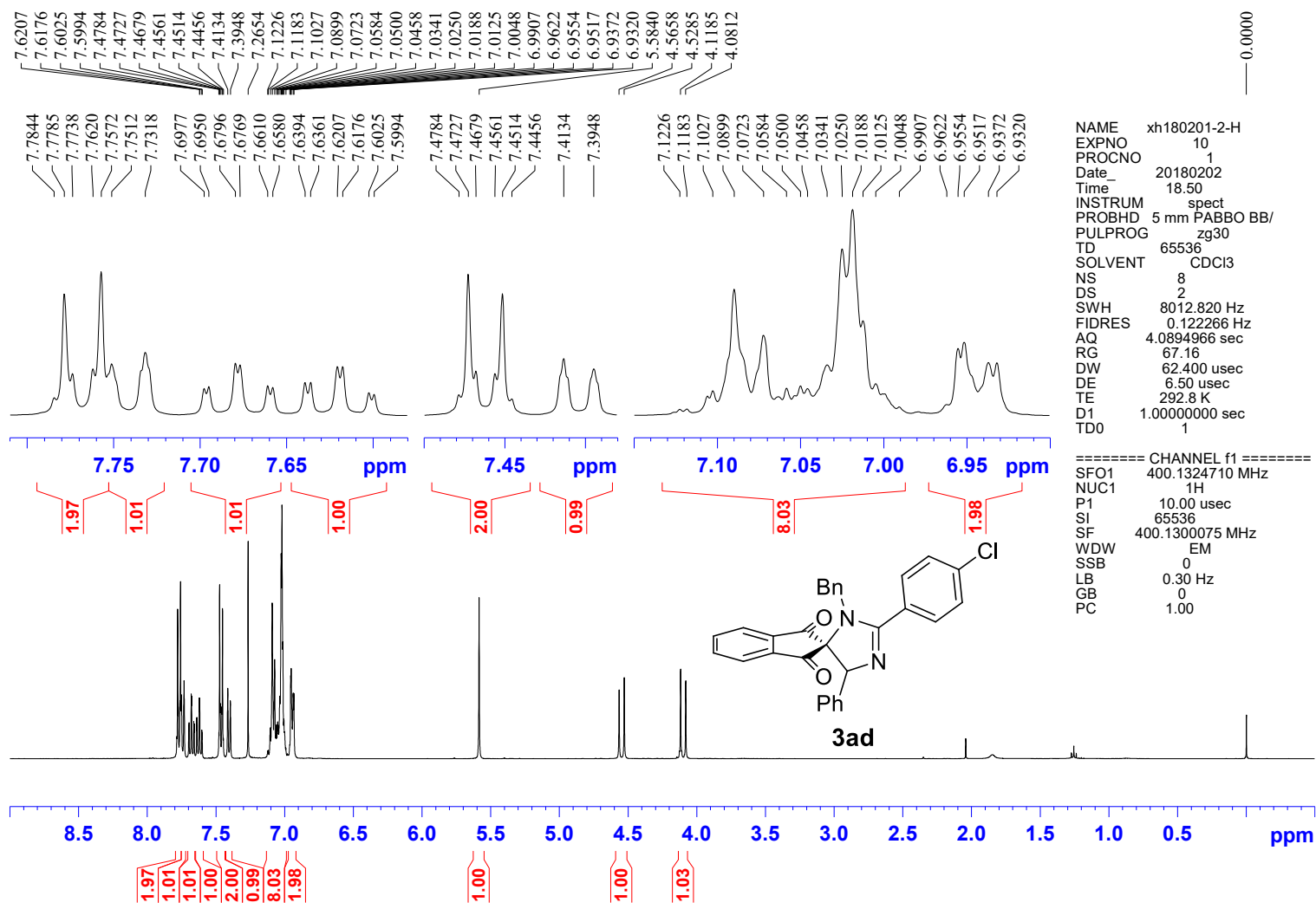


Figure S49. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound **3ad**

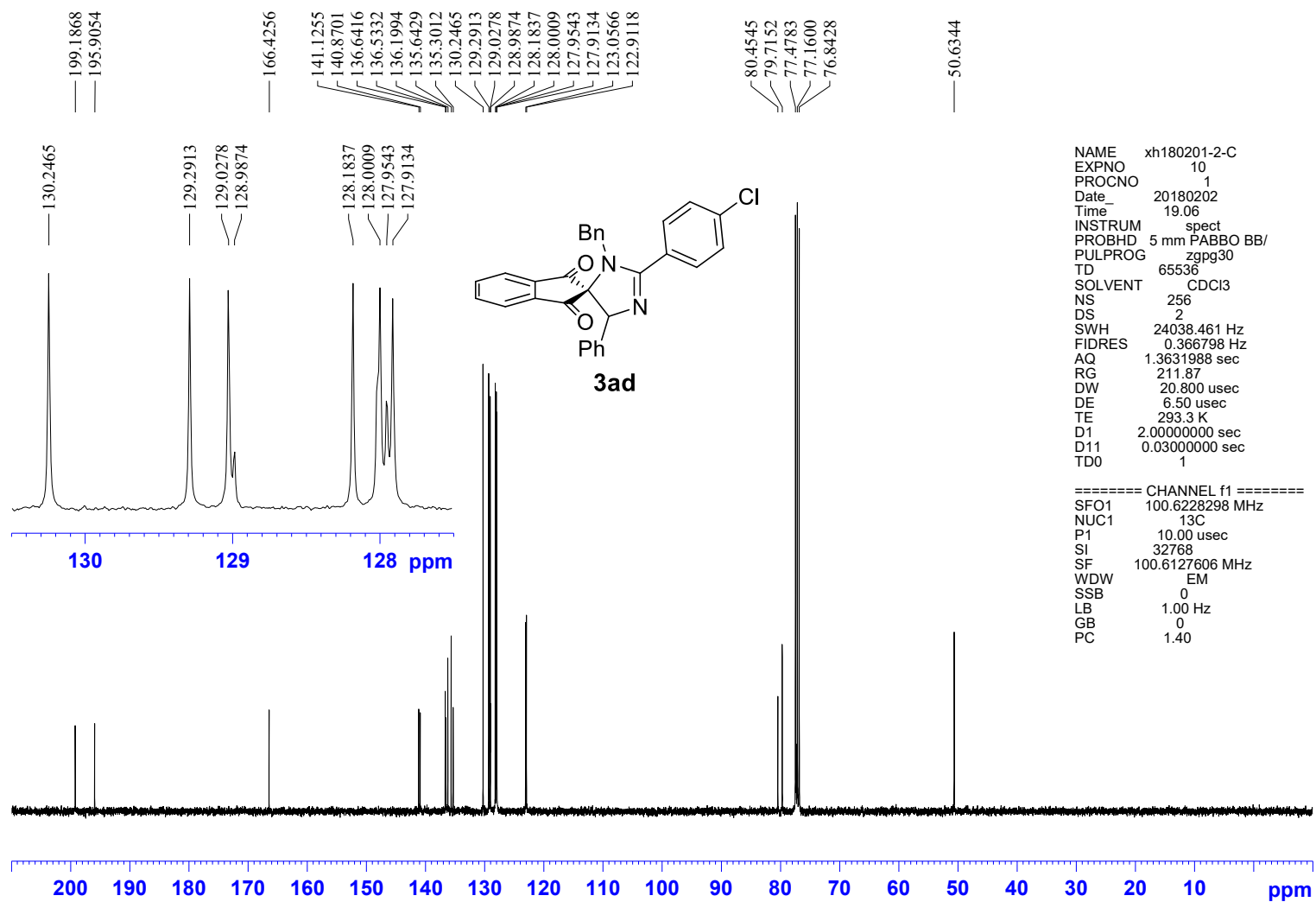


Figure S50.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of compound 3ad

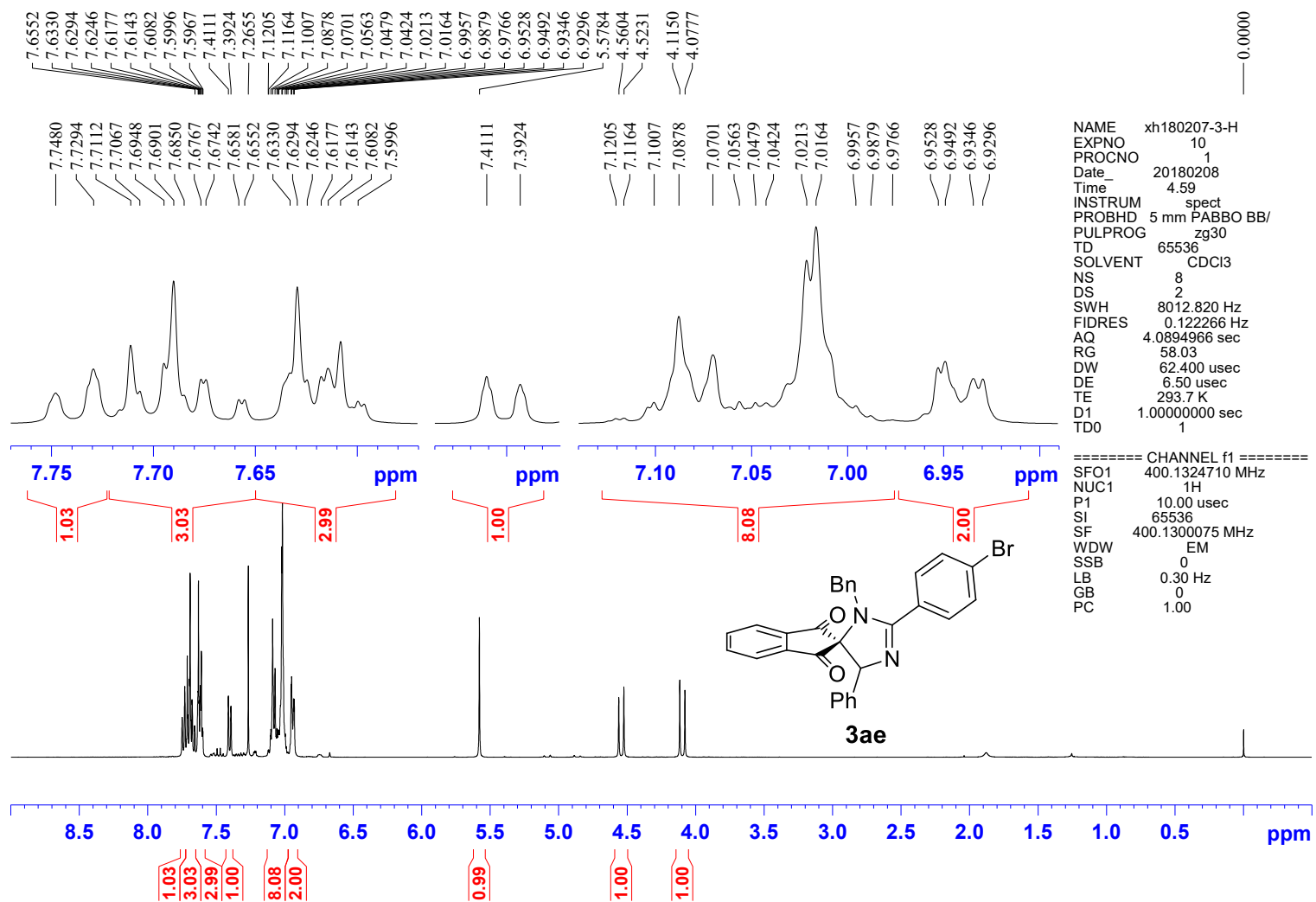


Figure S51. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 3ae

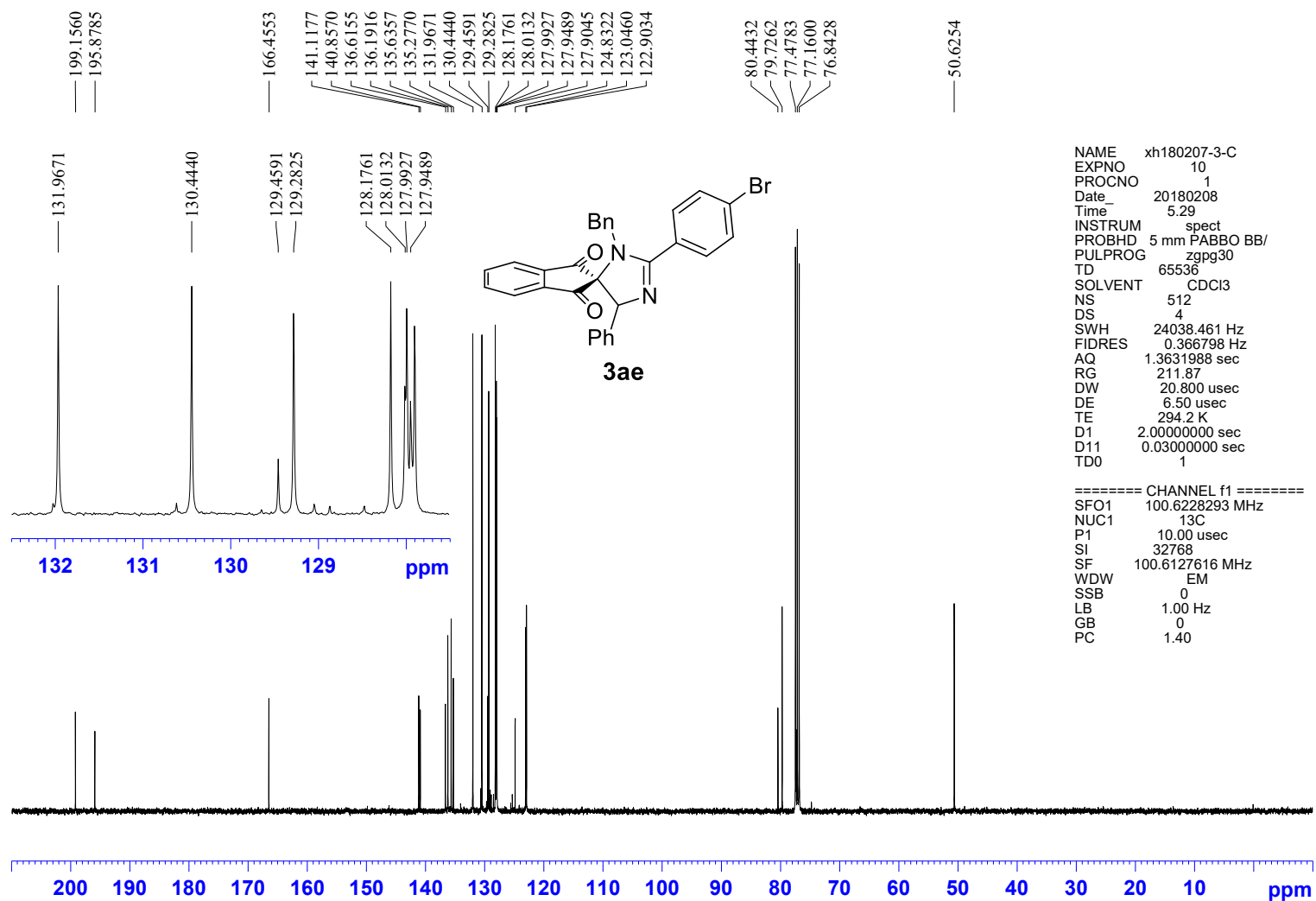


Figure S52. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound **3ae**



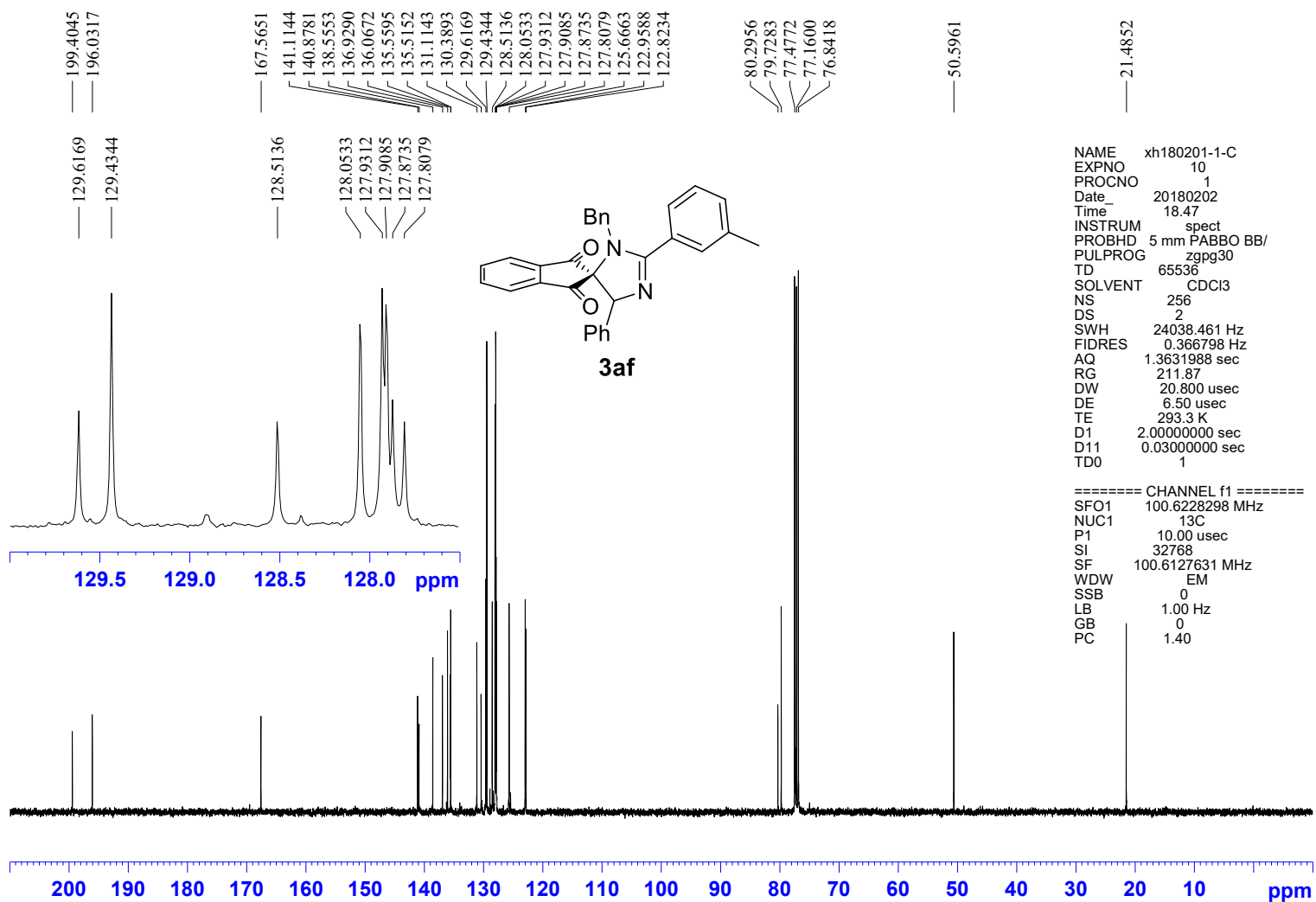


Figure S54.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of compound **3af**

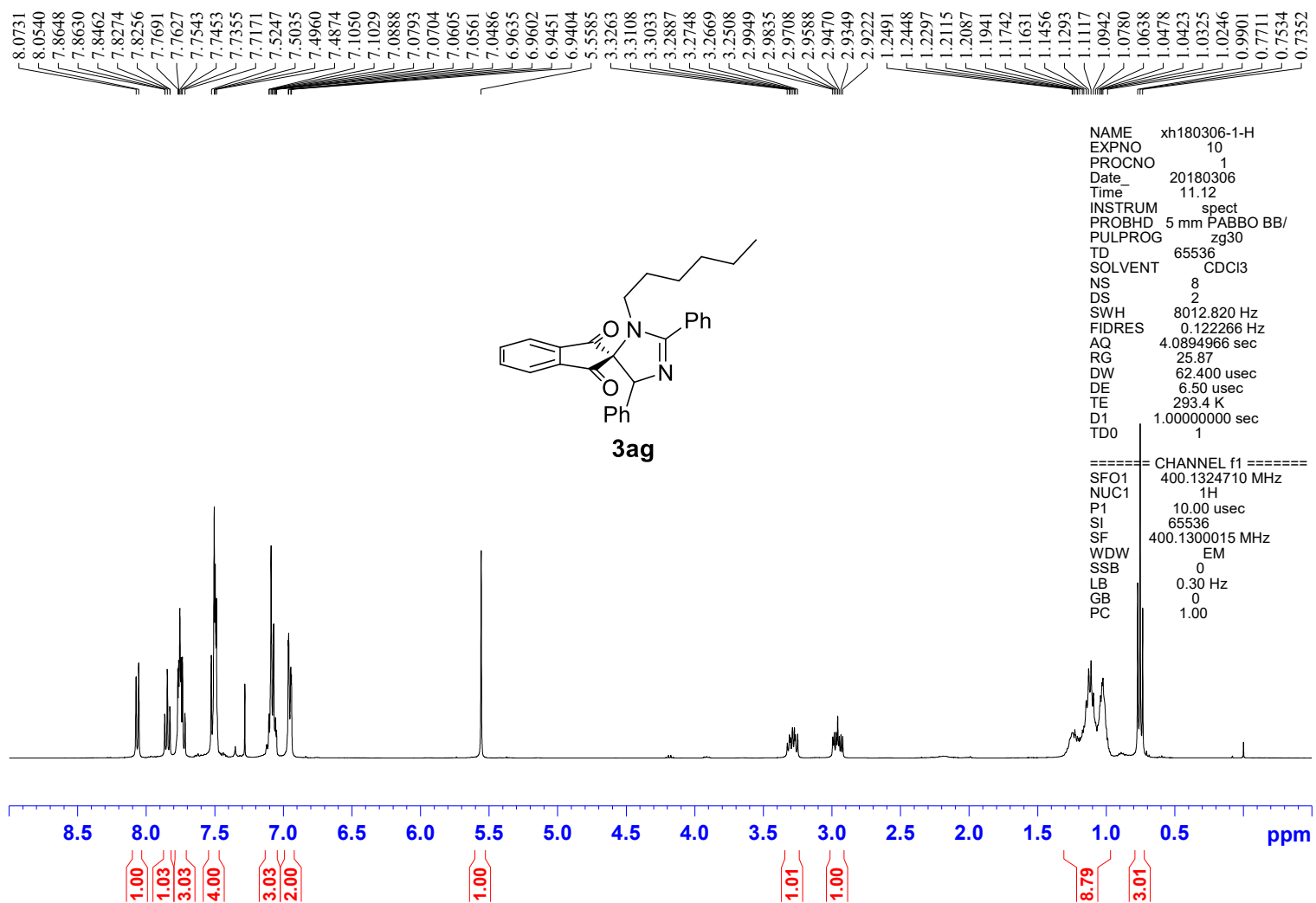


Figure S55. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound **3ag**

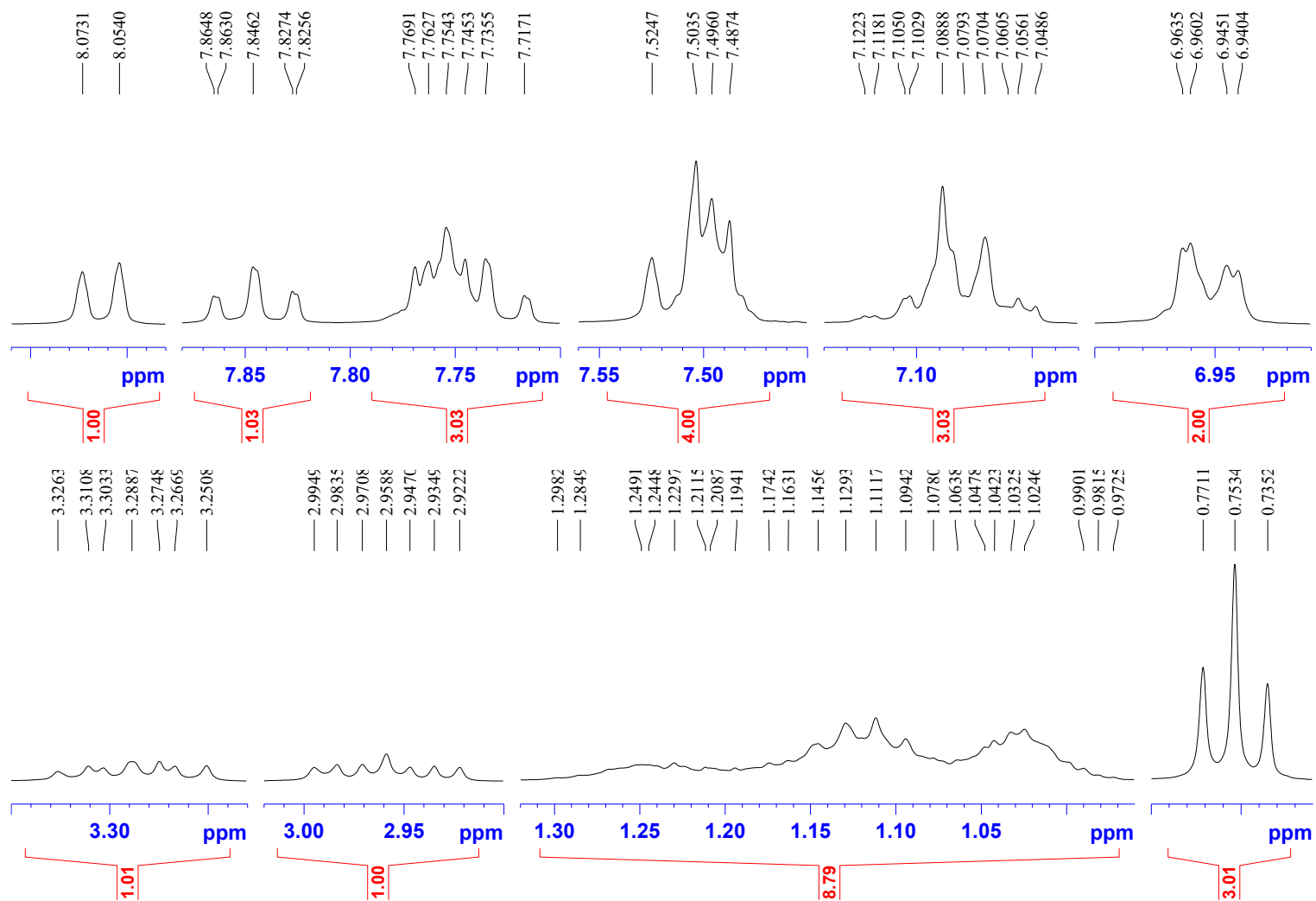


Figure S56. Expanded  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of compound 3ag



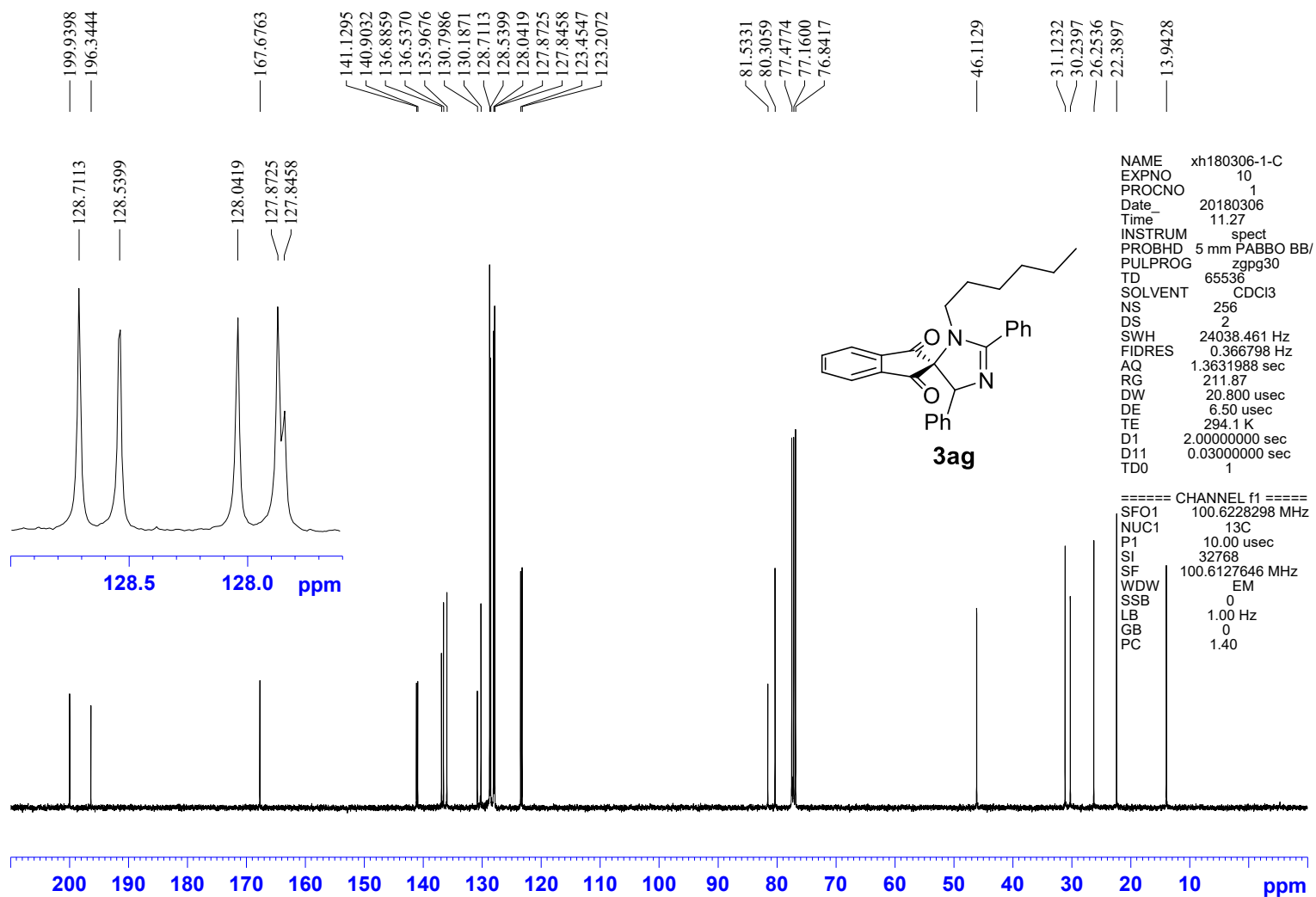


Figure S57. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 3ag

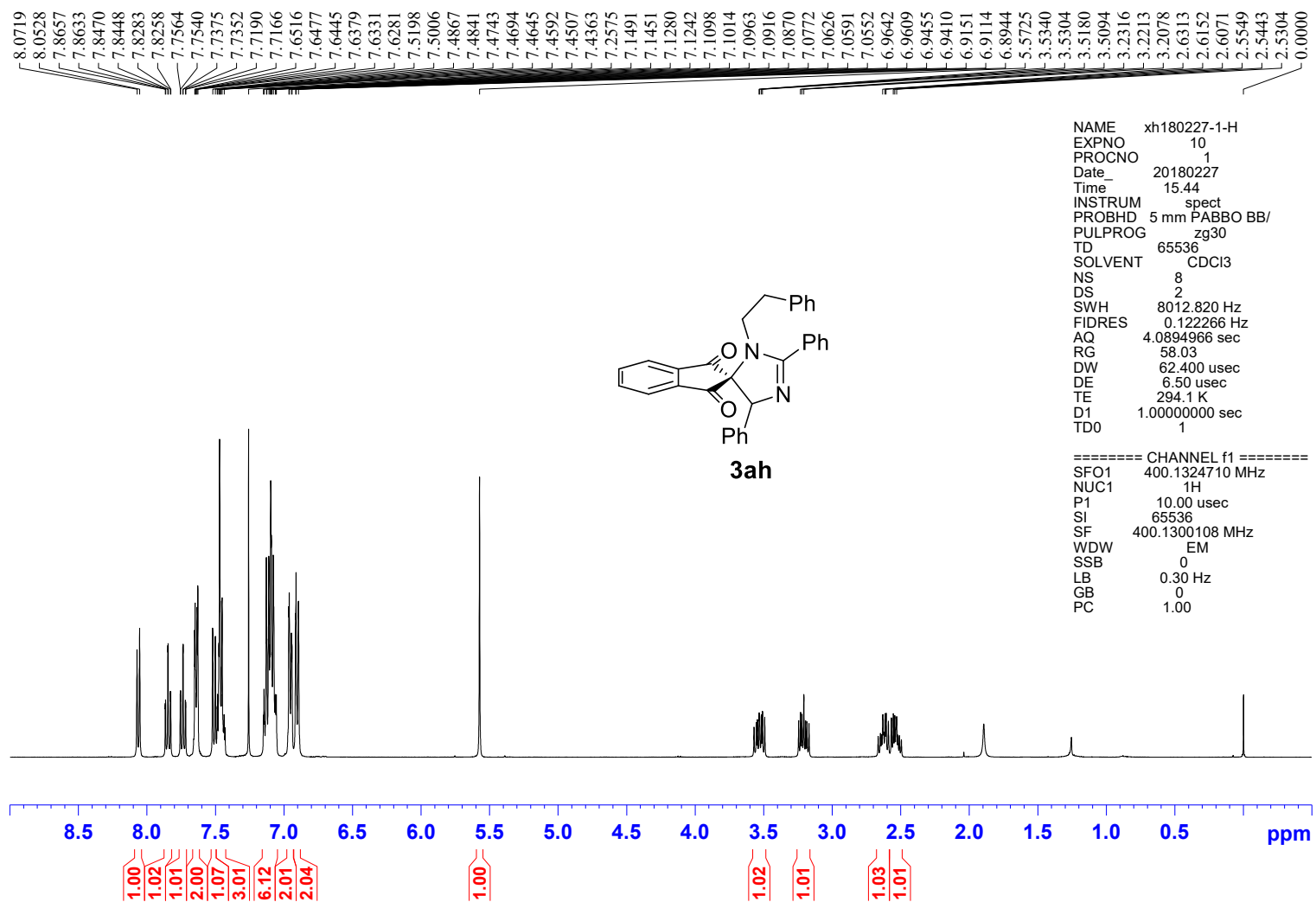


Figure S58. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 3ah

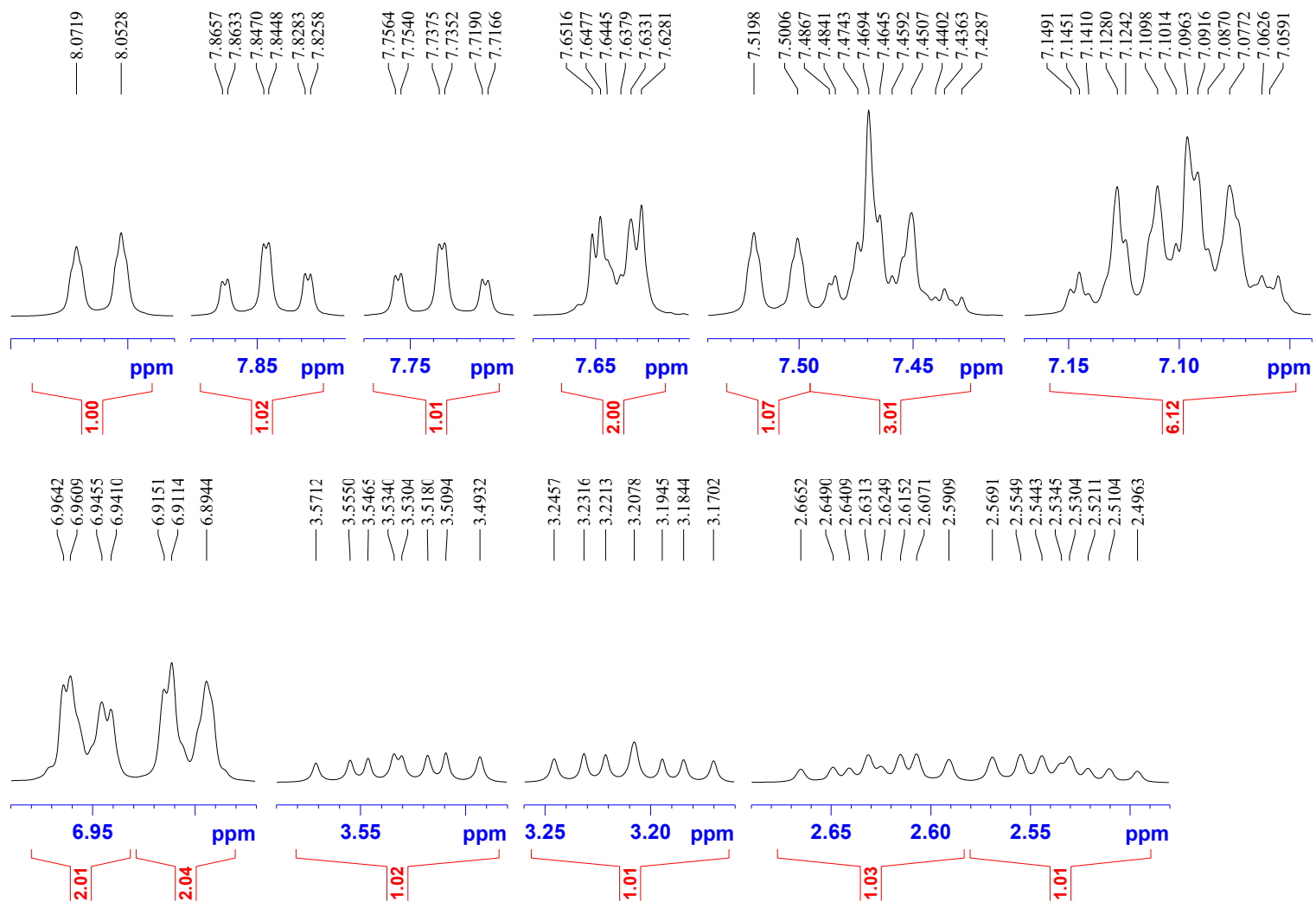


Figure S59. Expanded <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 3ah

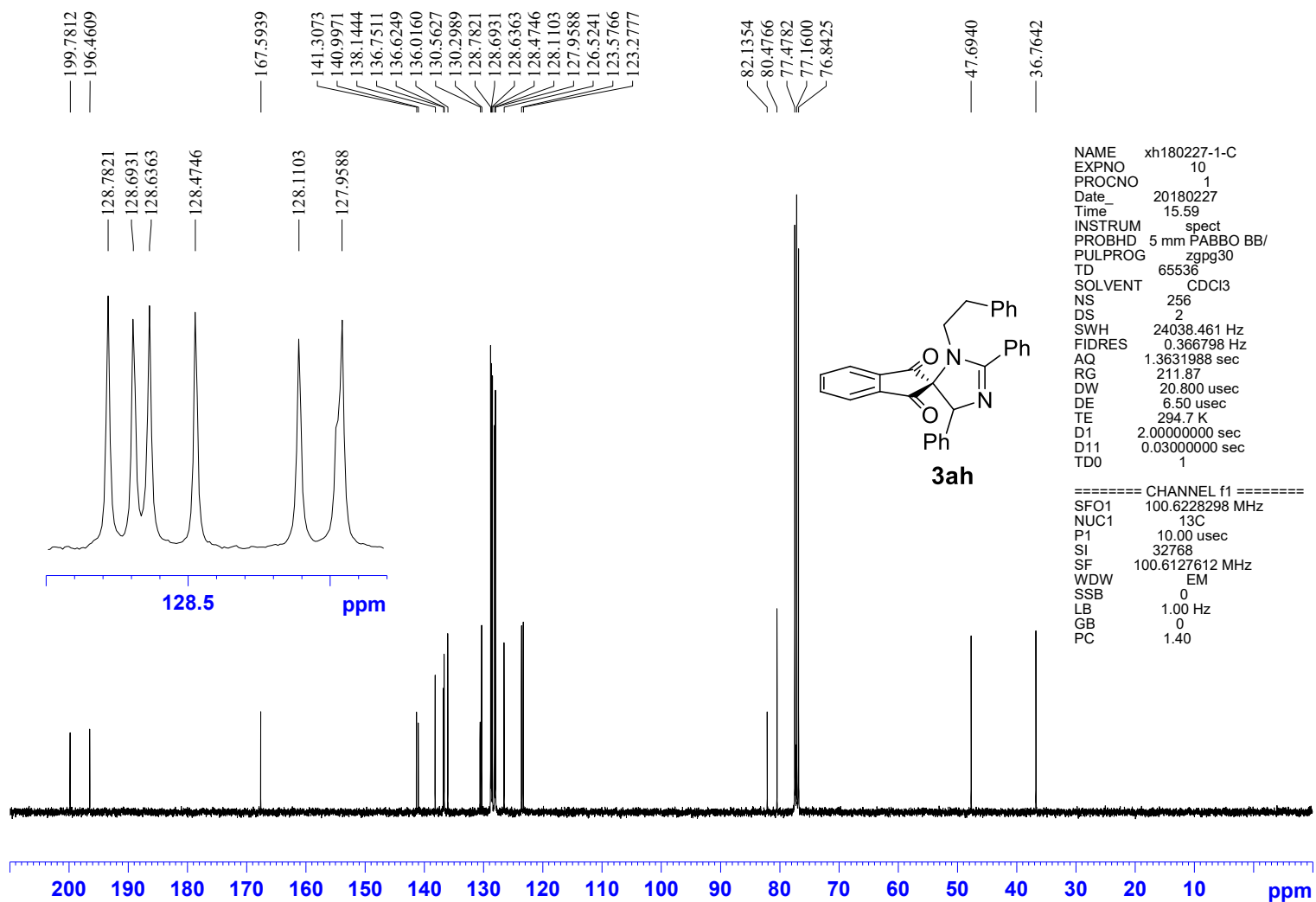


Figure S60. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 3ah

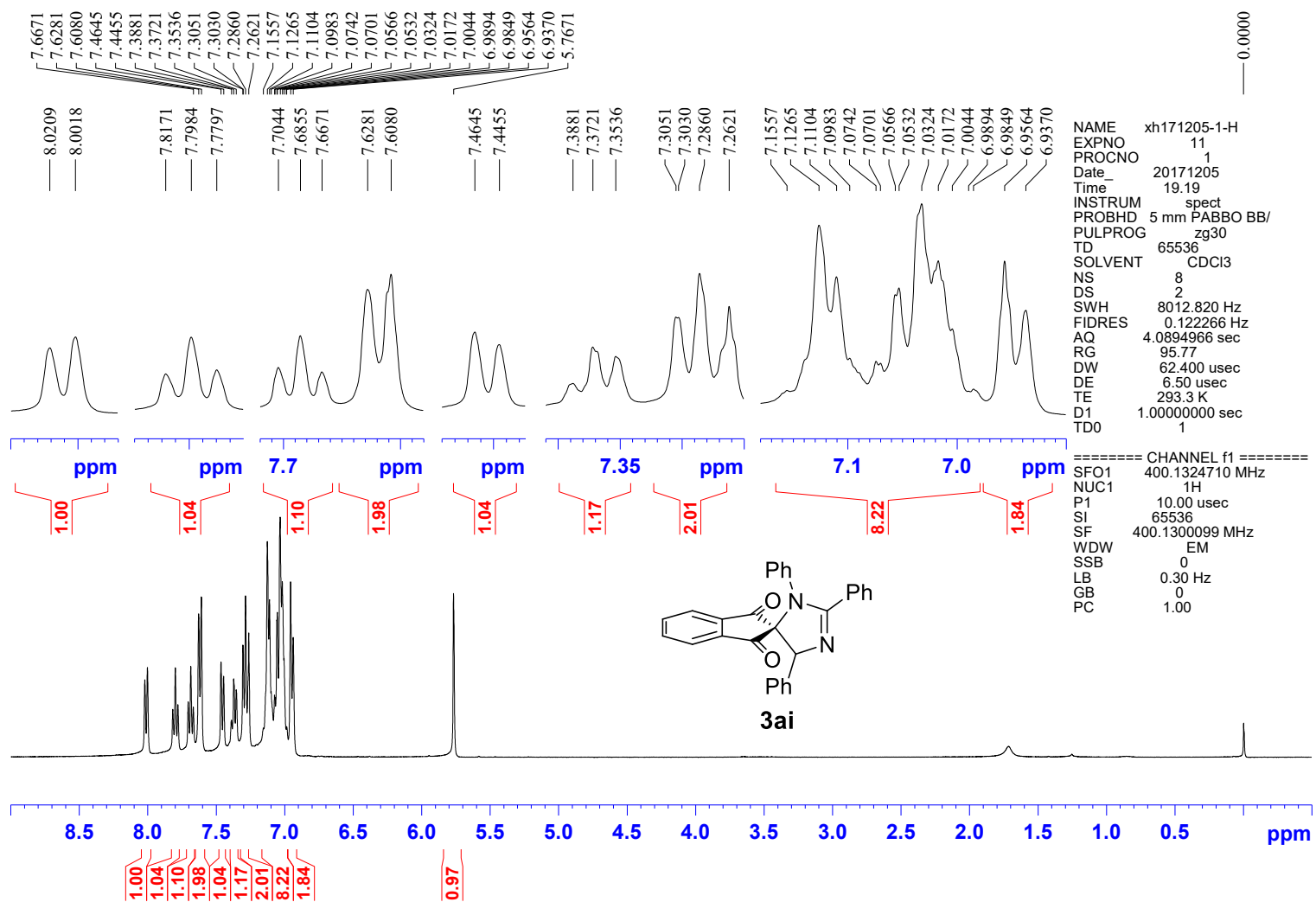


Figure S61.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of compound 3ai

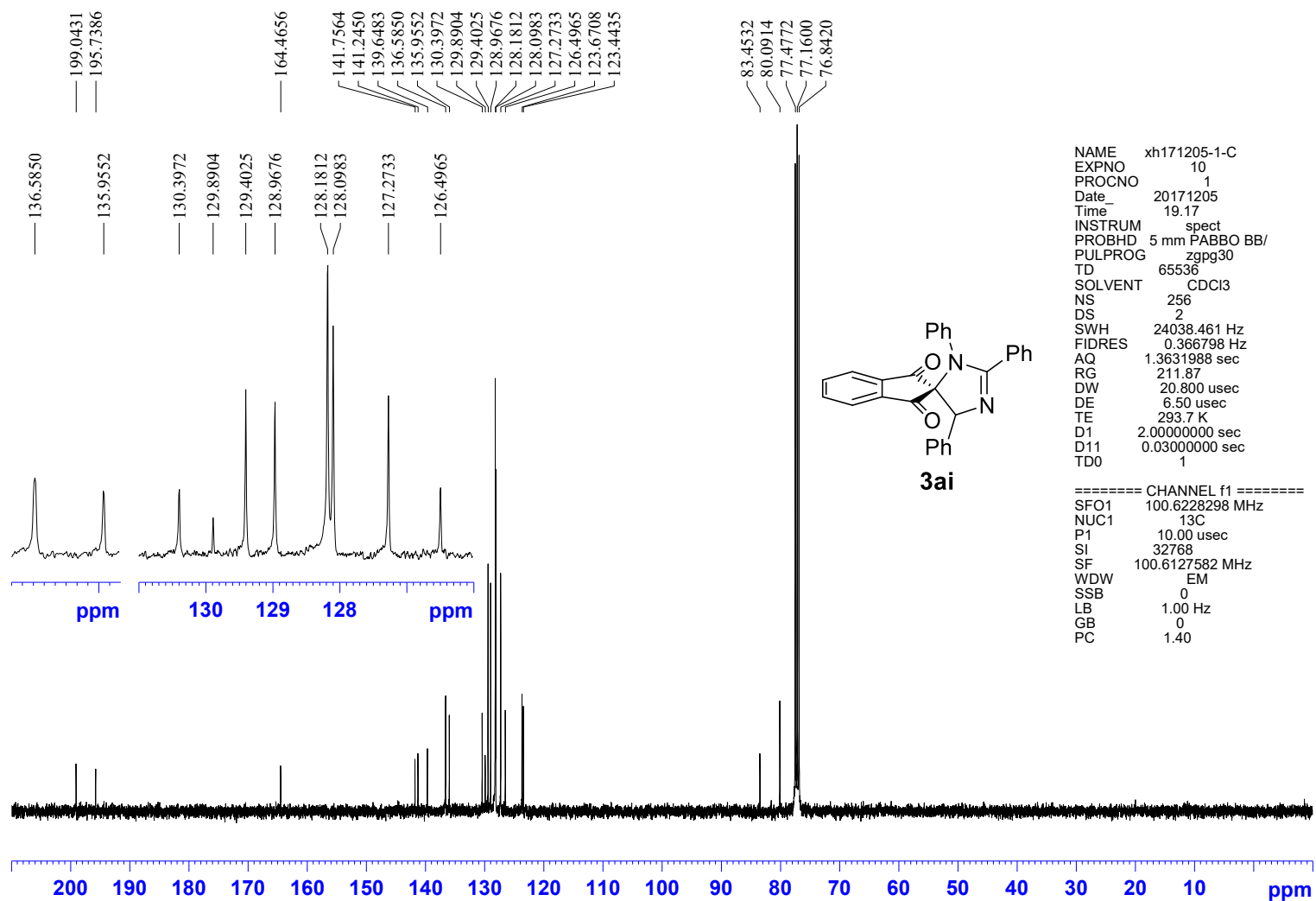


Figure S62. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 3ai

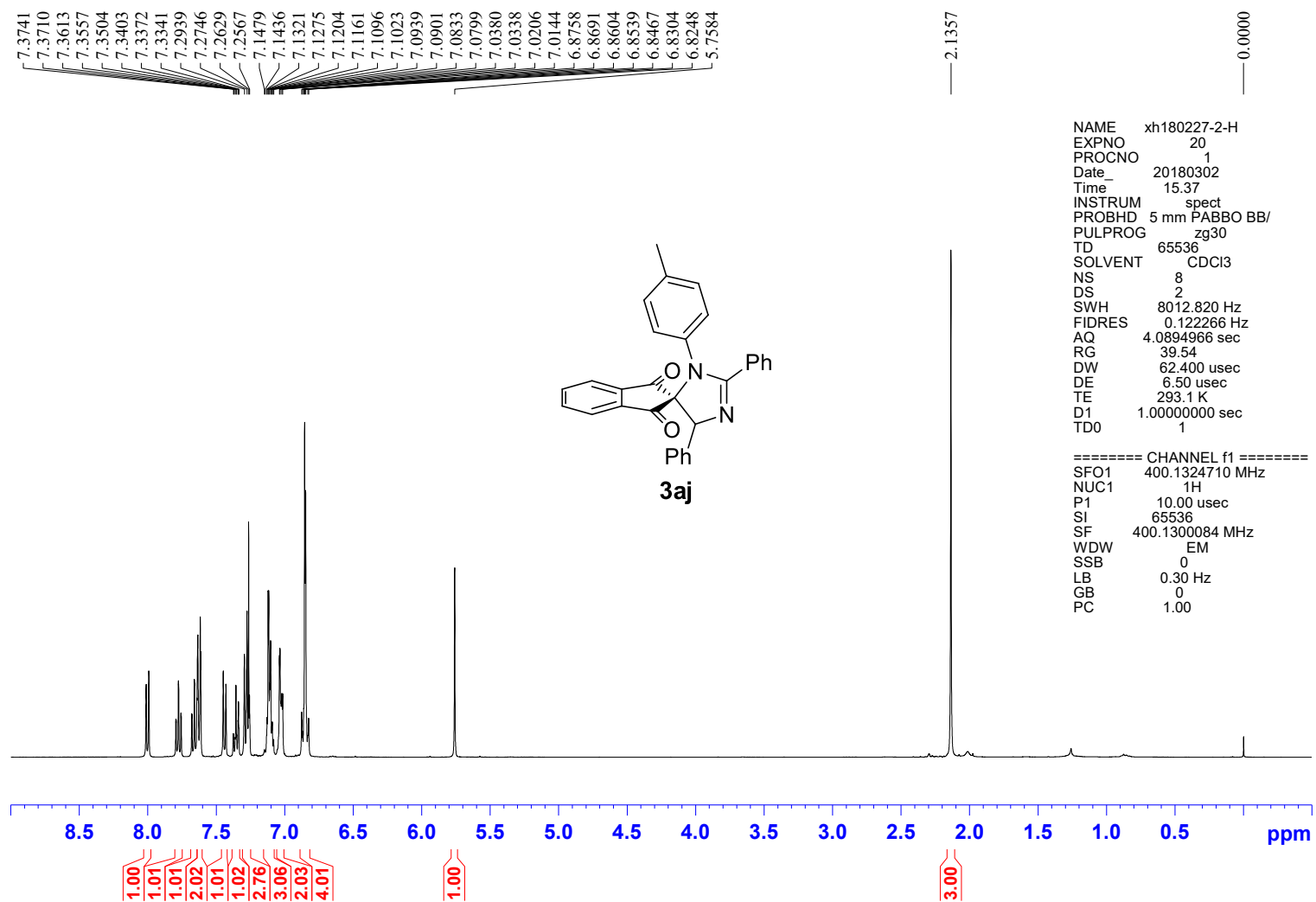


Figure S63.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of compound 3aj

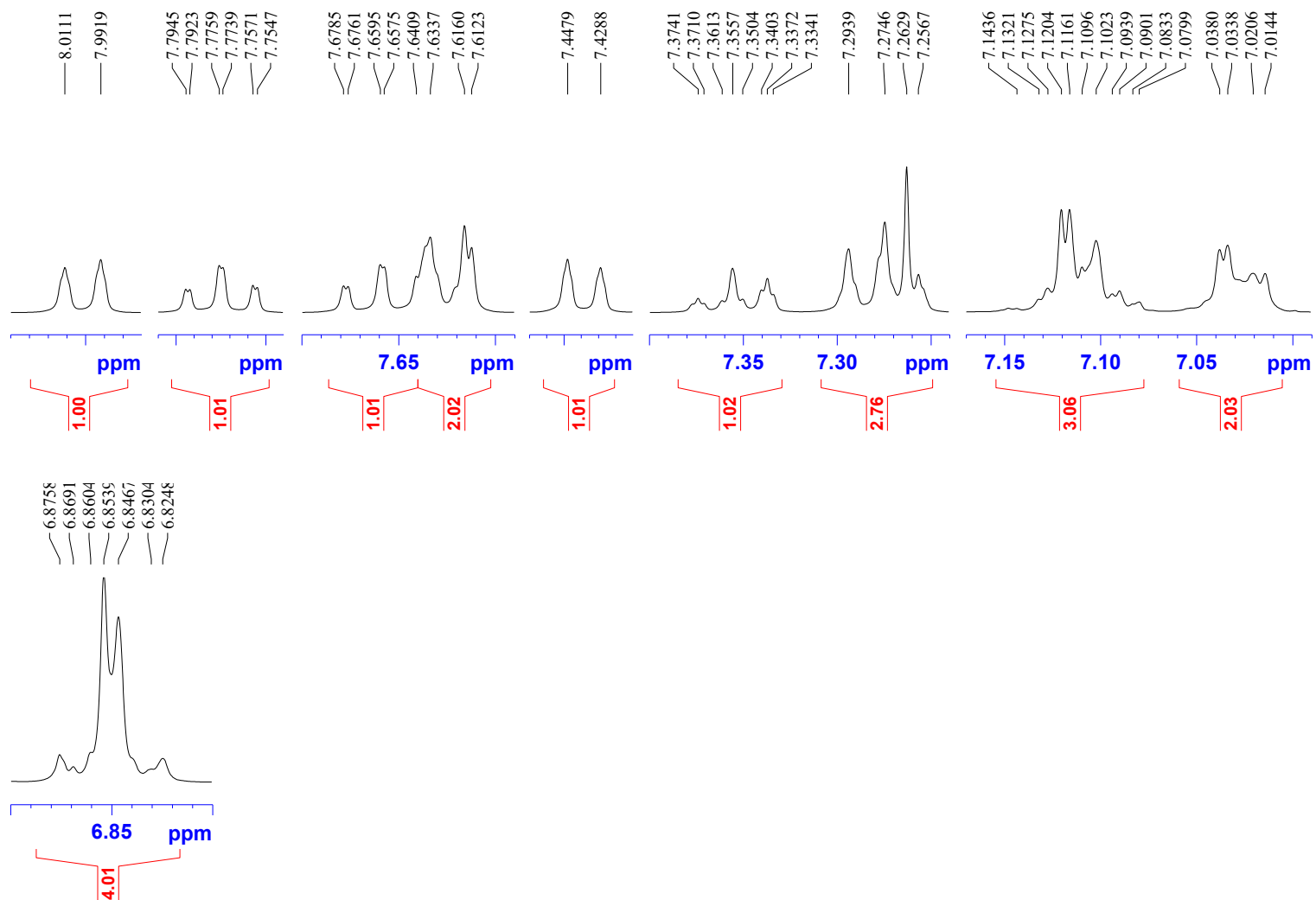


Figure S64. Expanded <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 3aj





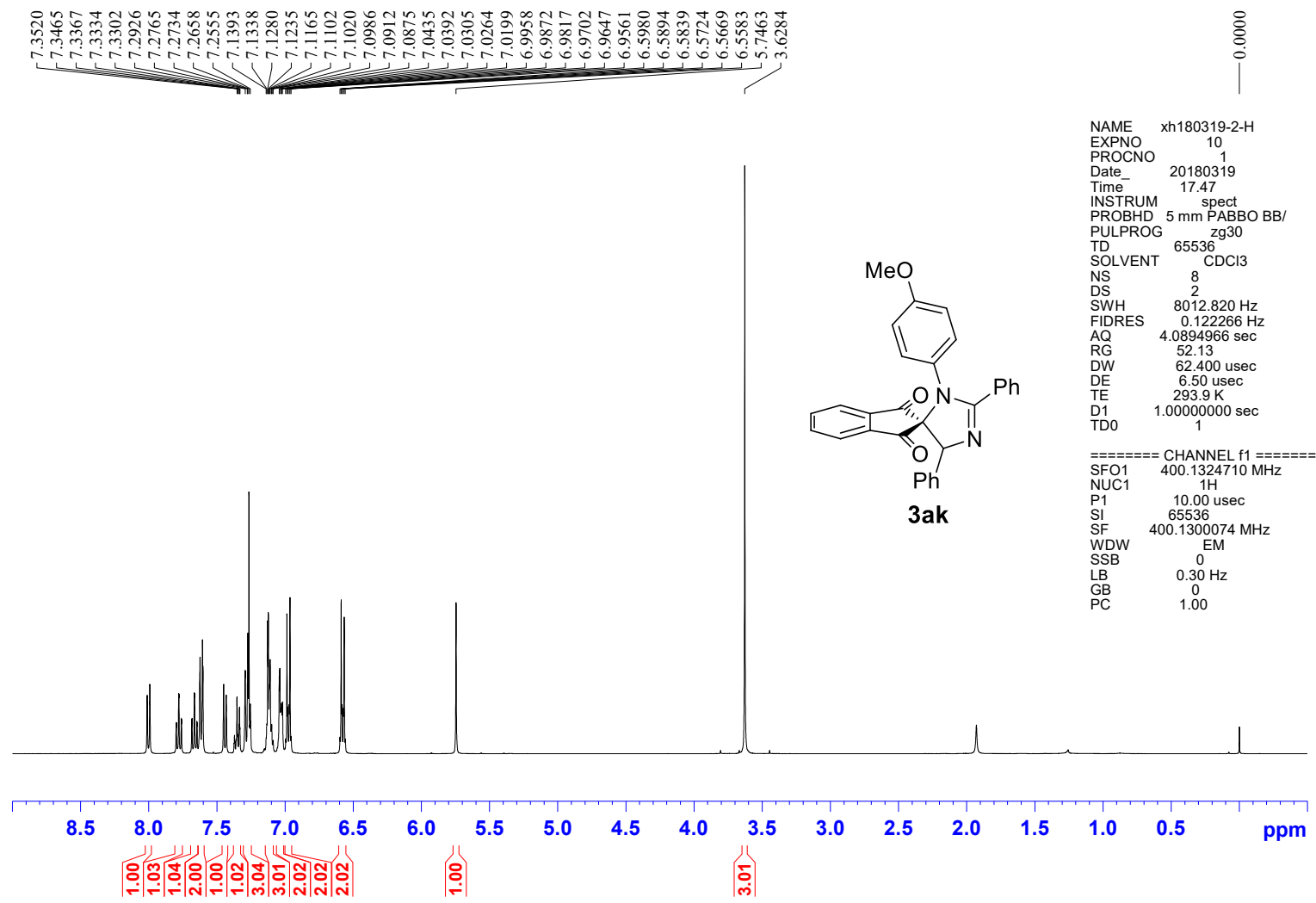


Figure S66. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 3ak

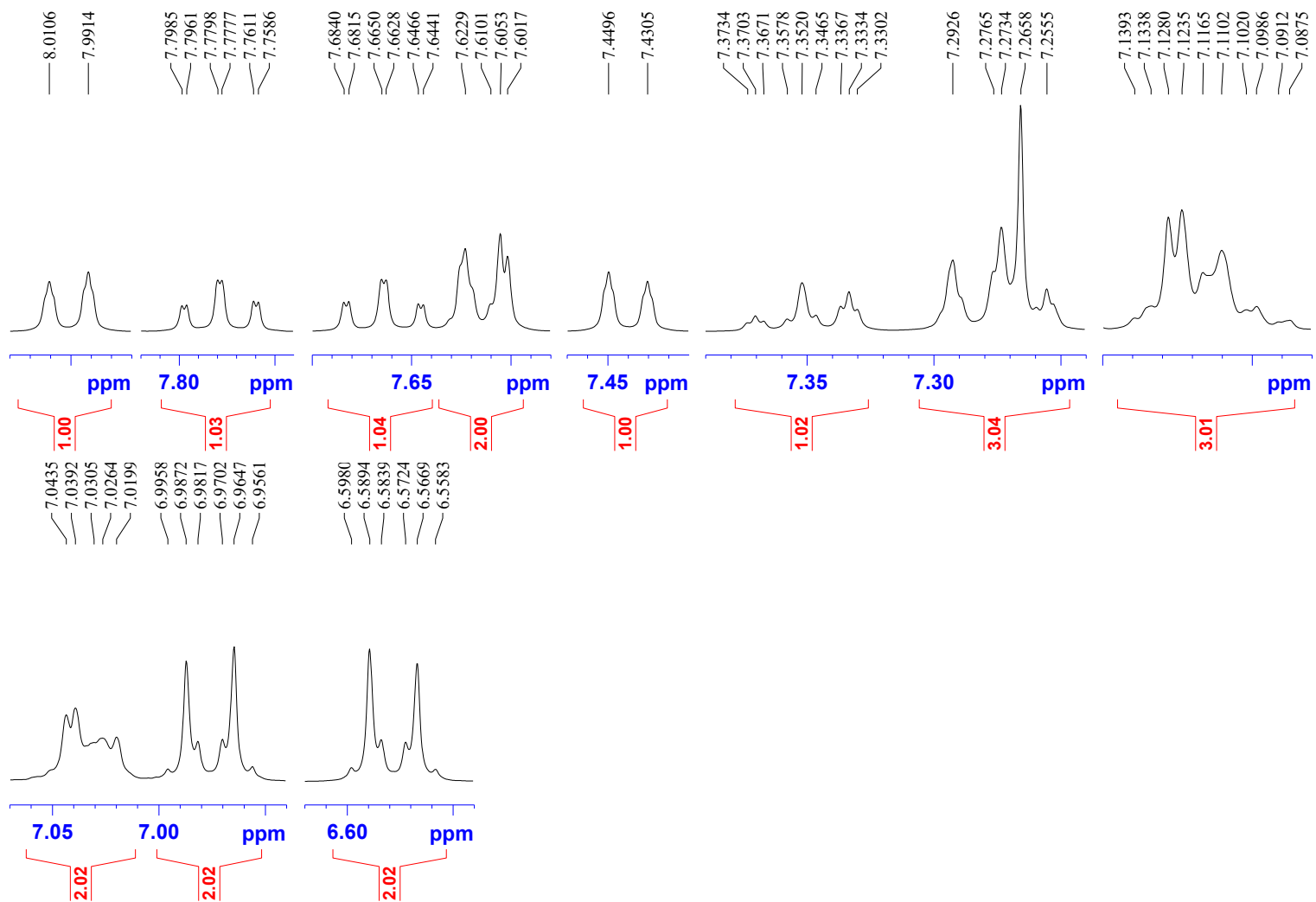


Figure S67. Expanded <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 3ak

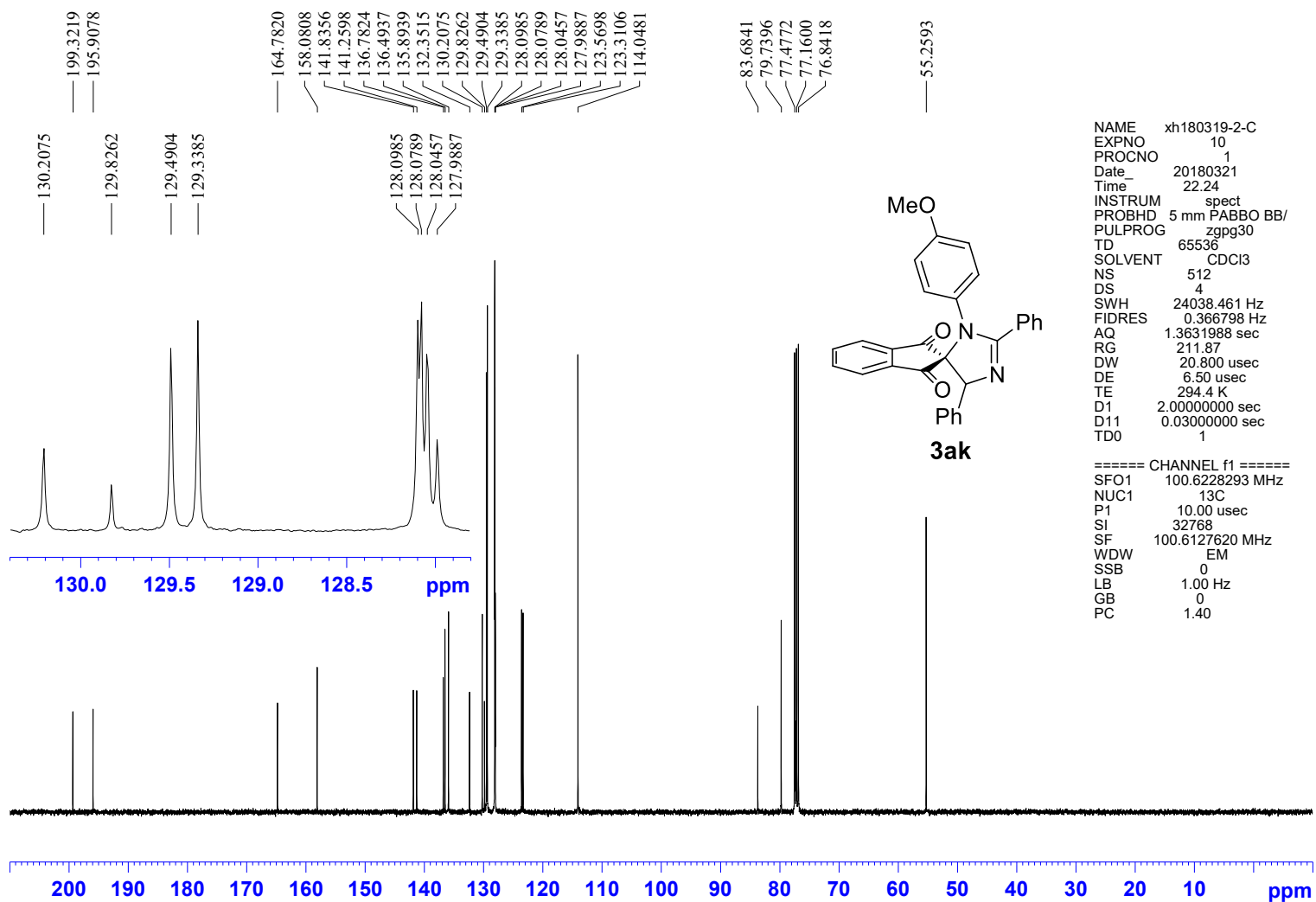


Figure S68. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 3ak

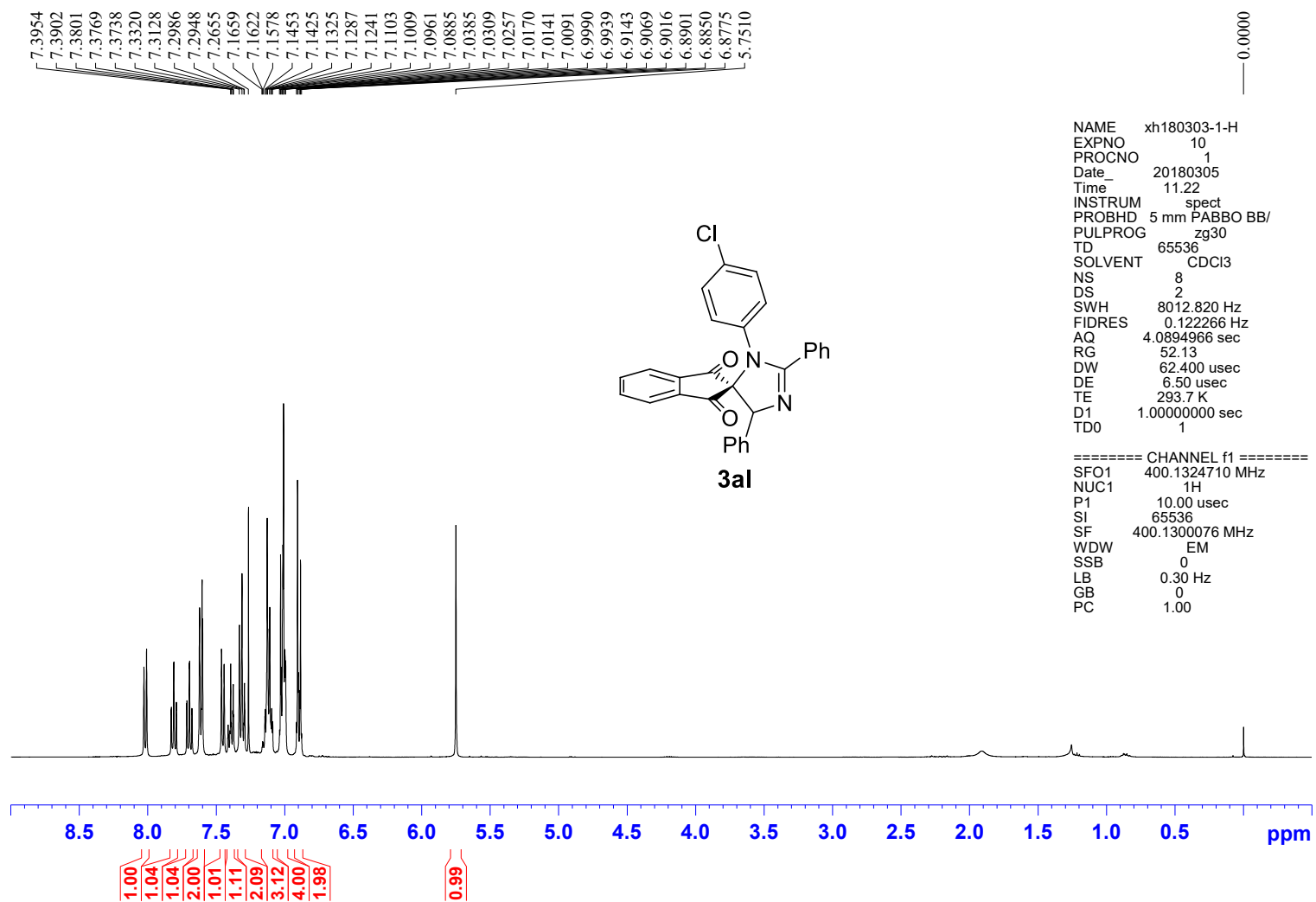


Figure S69.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of compound 3al

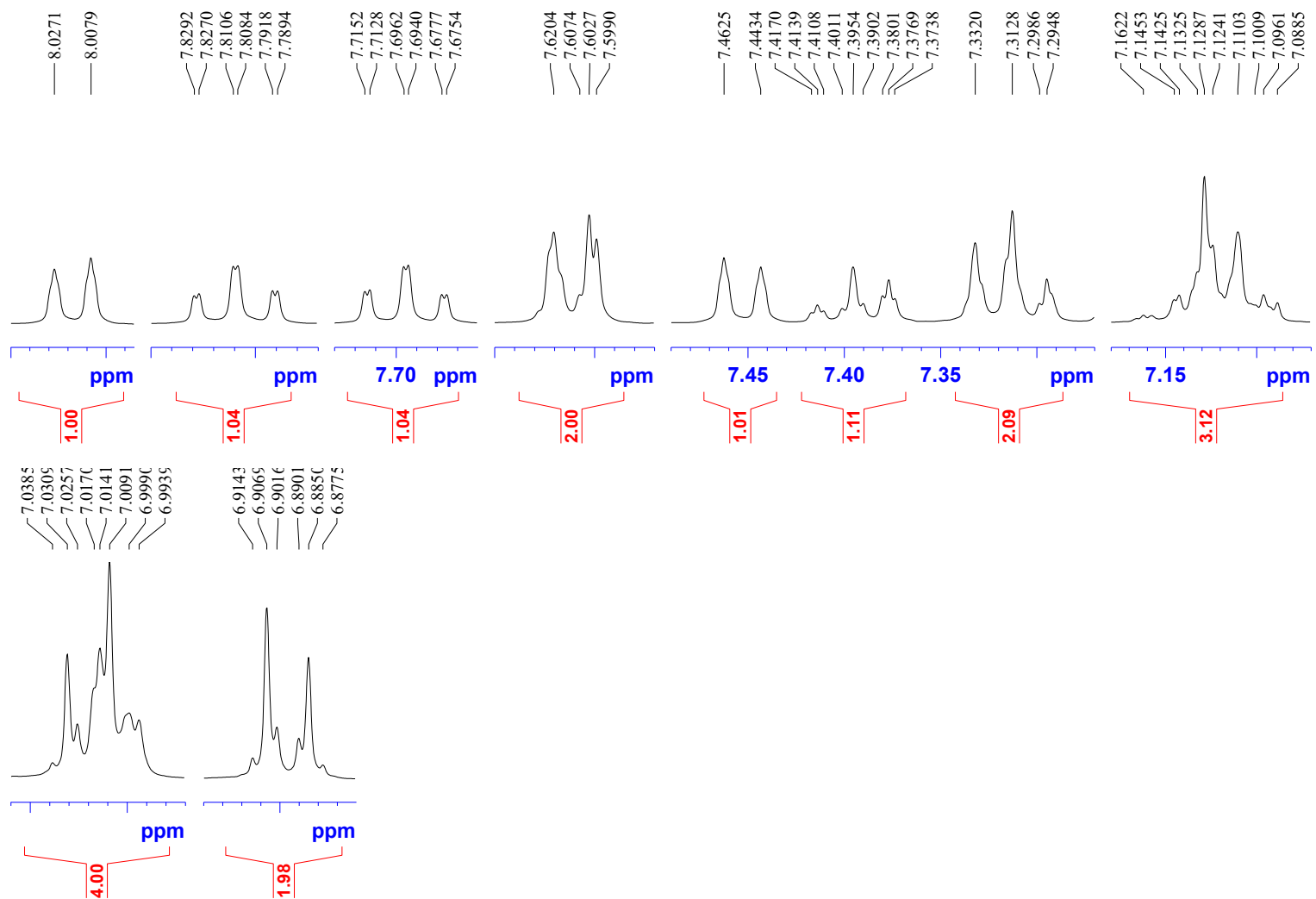


Figure S70. Expanded <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 3al

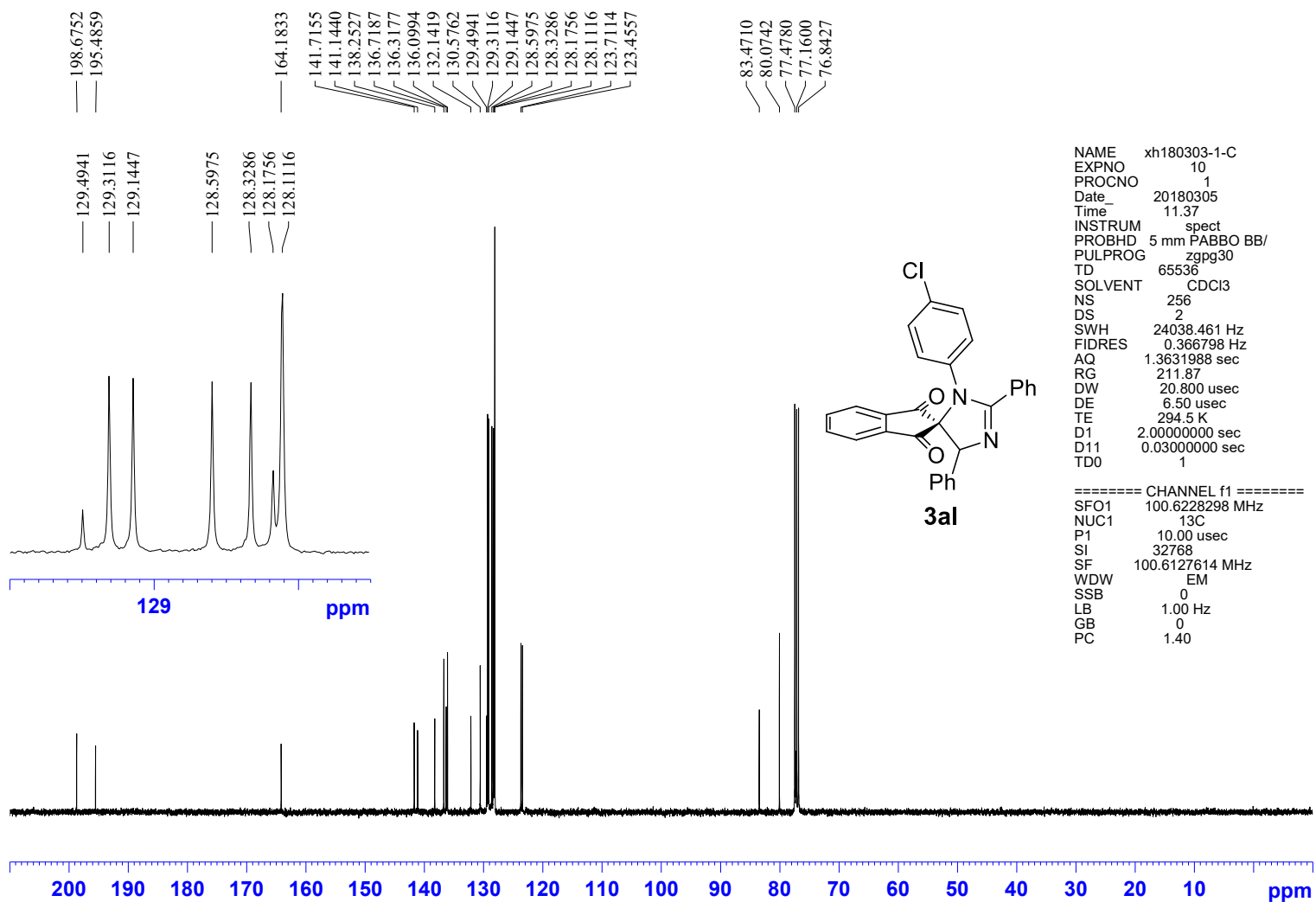


Figure S71. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 3al

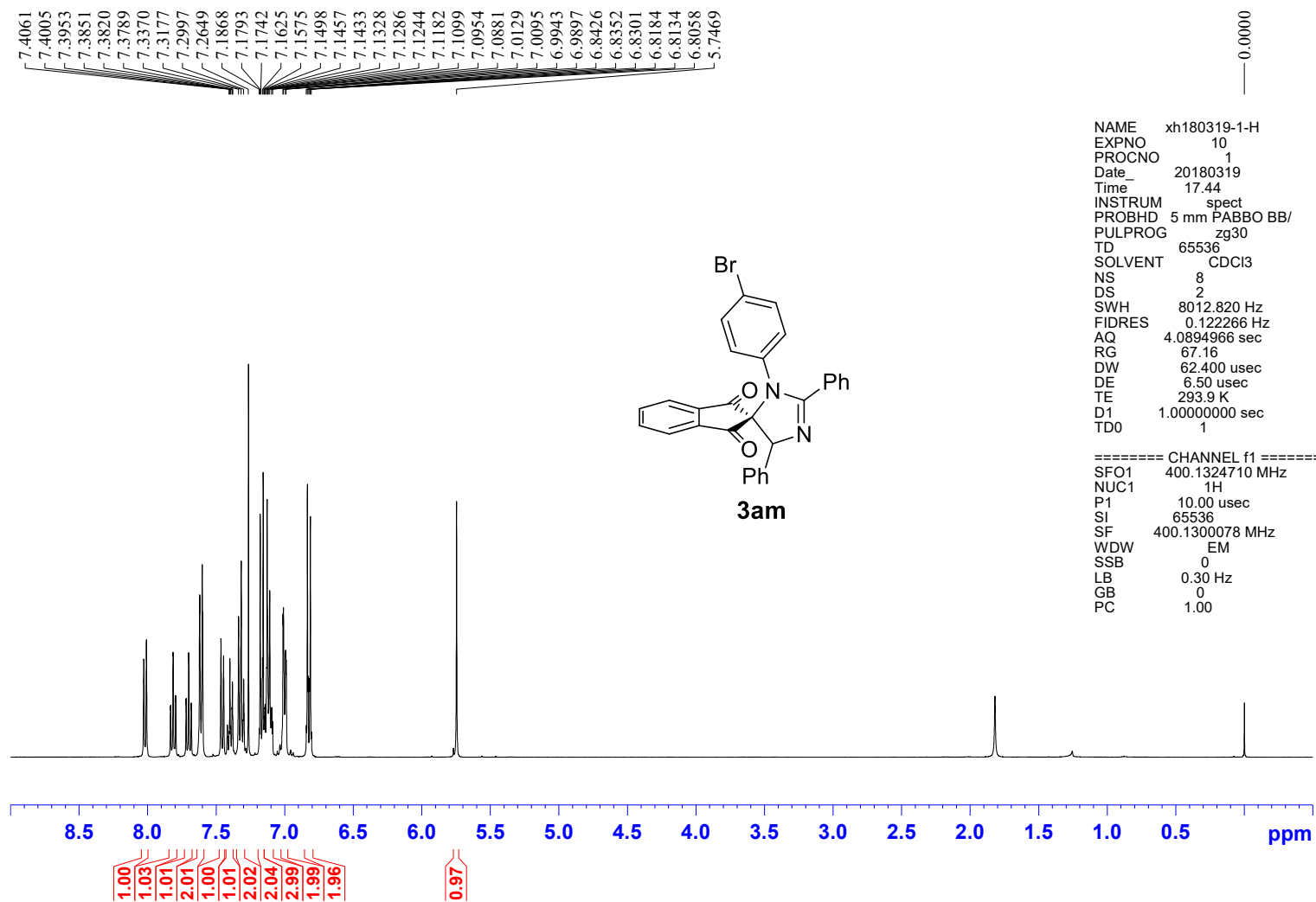


Figure S72. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 3am



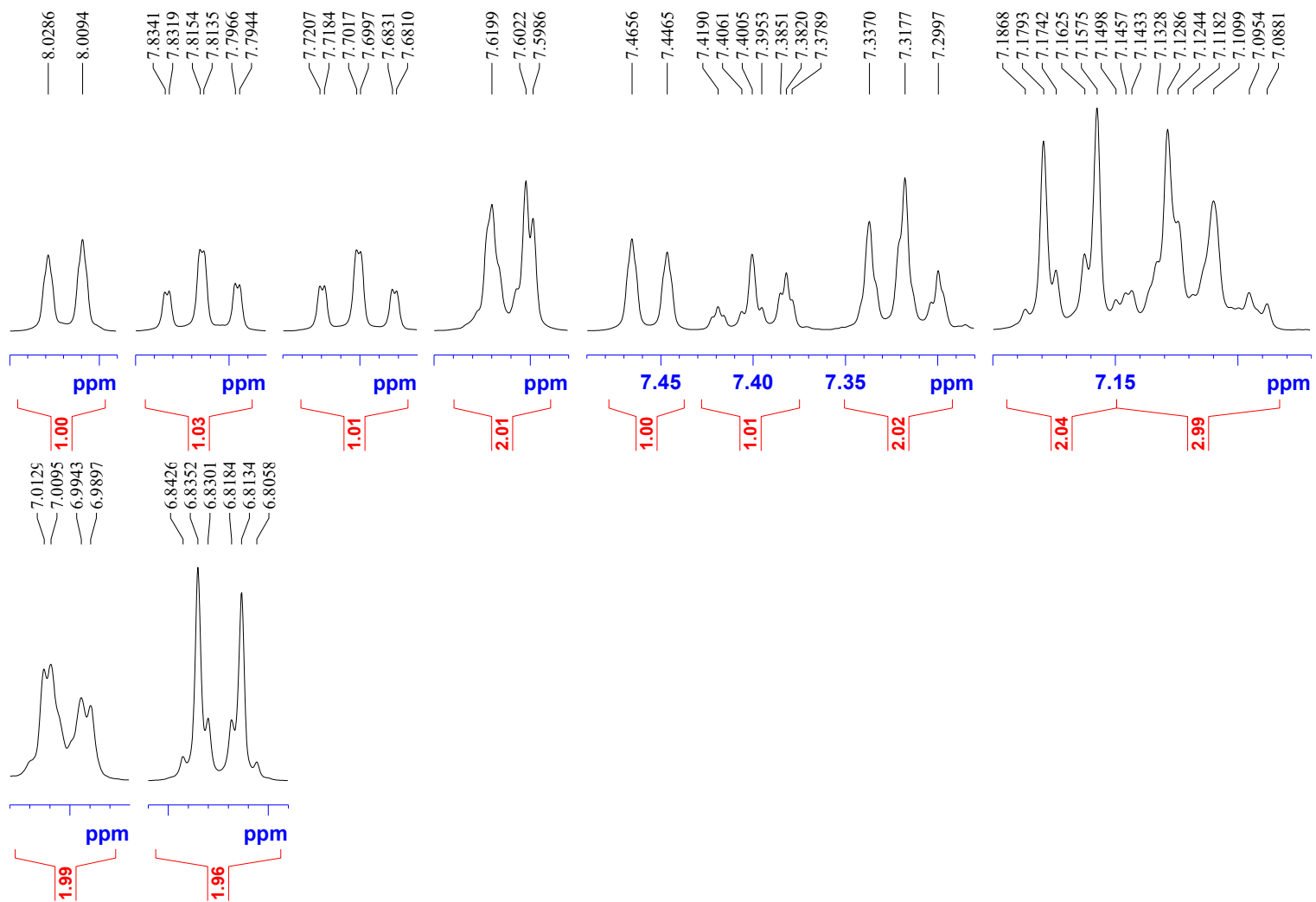


Figure S73. Expanded <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 3am

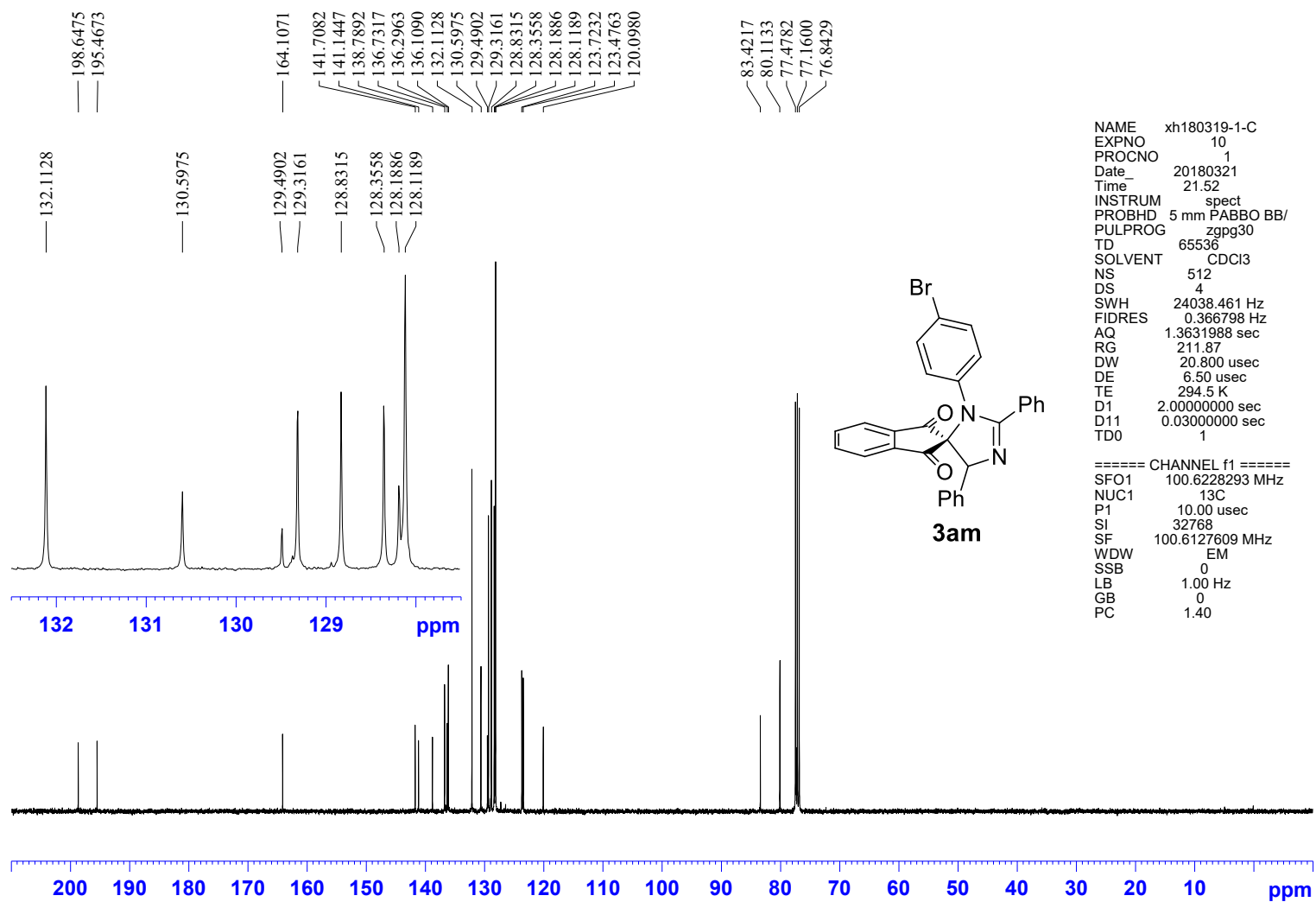


Figure S74. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 3am

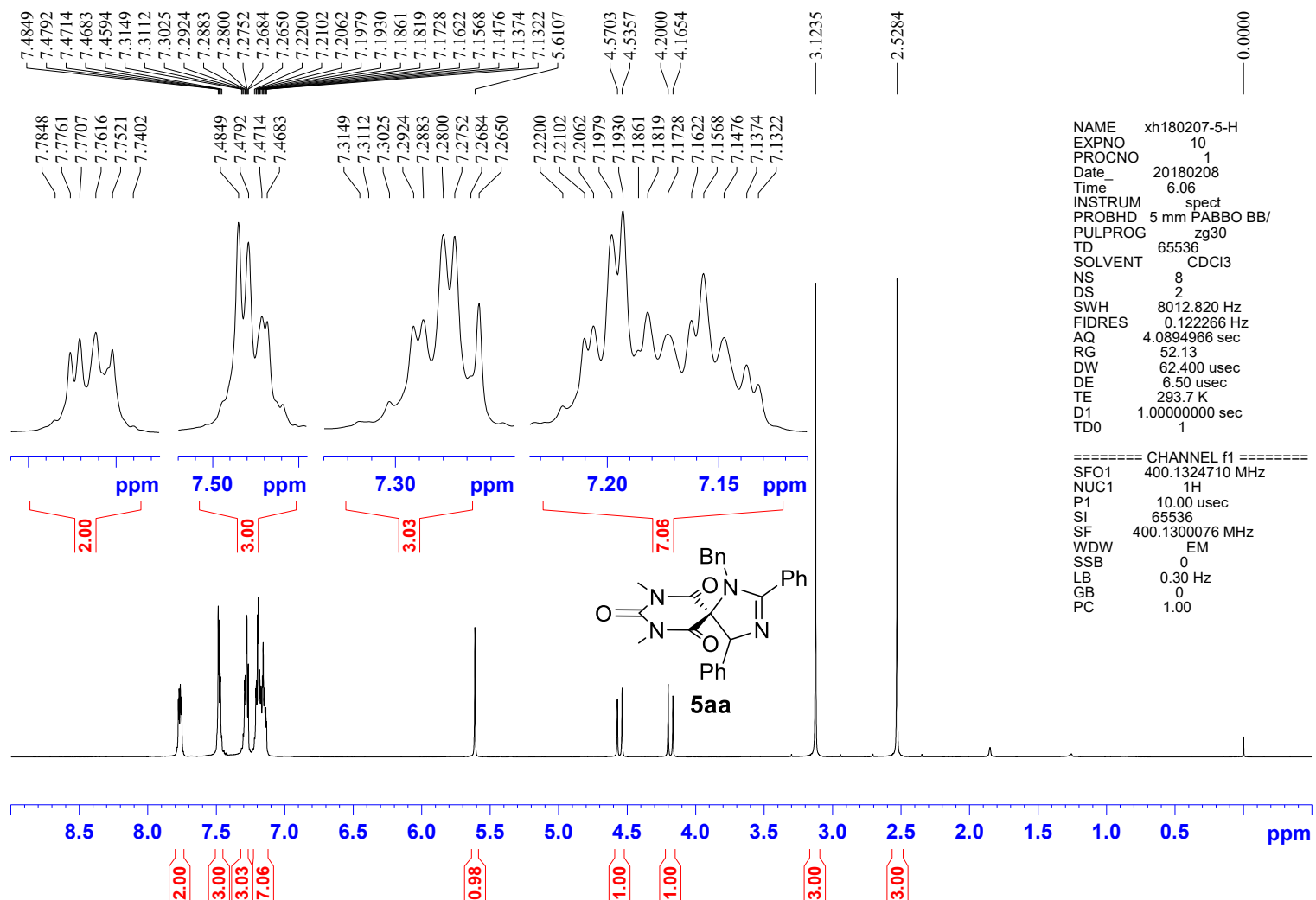


Figure S75. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 5aa

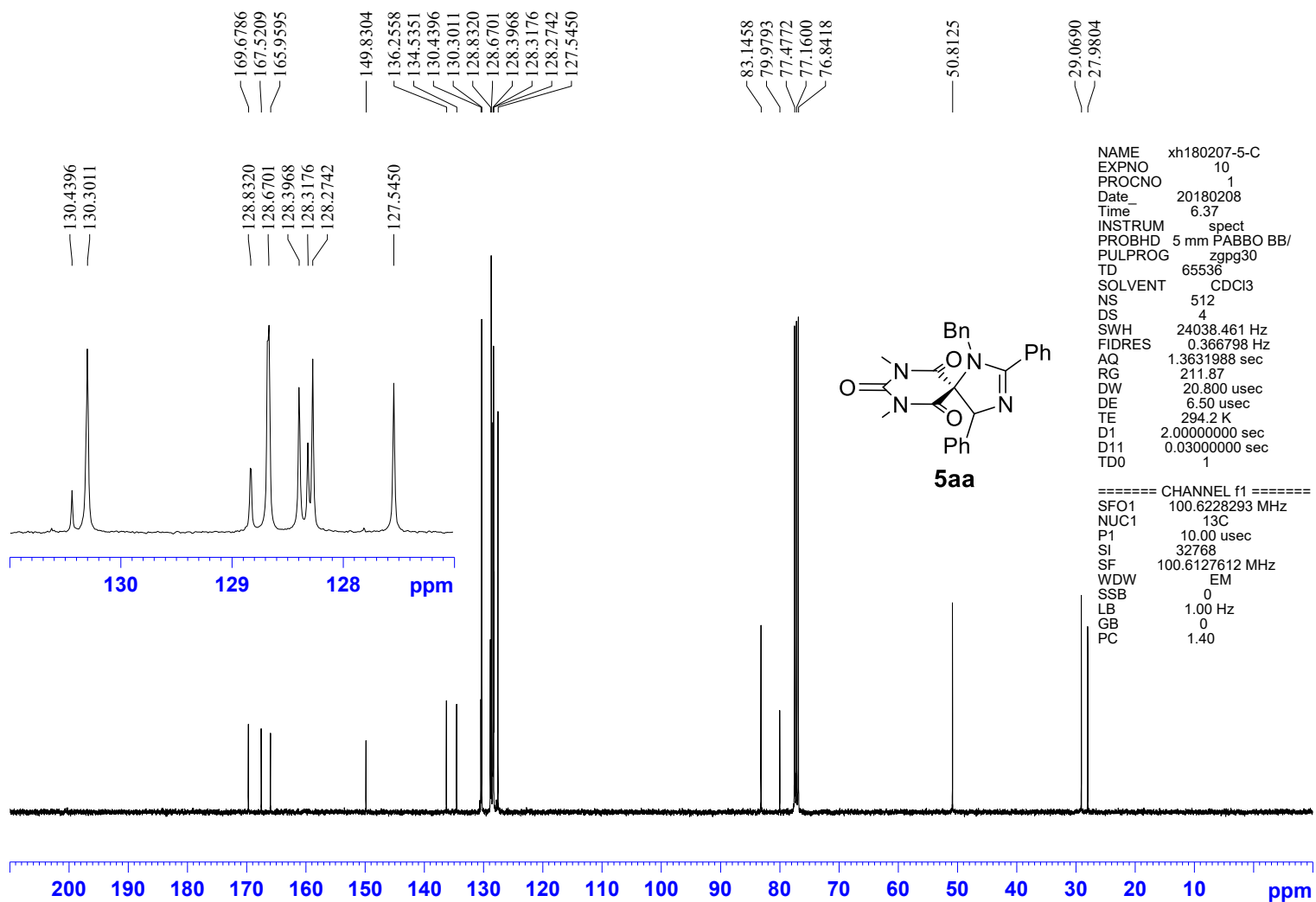


Figure S76. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound **5aa**

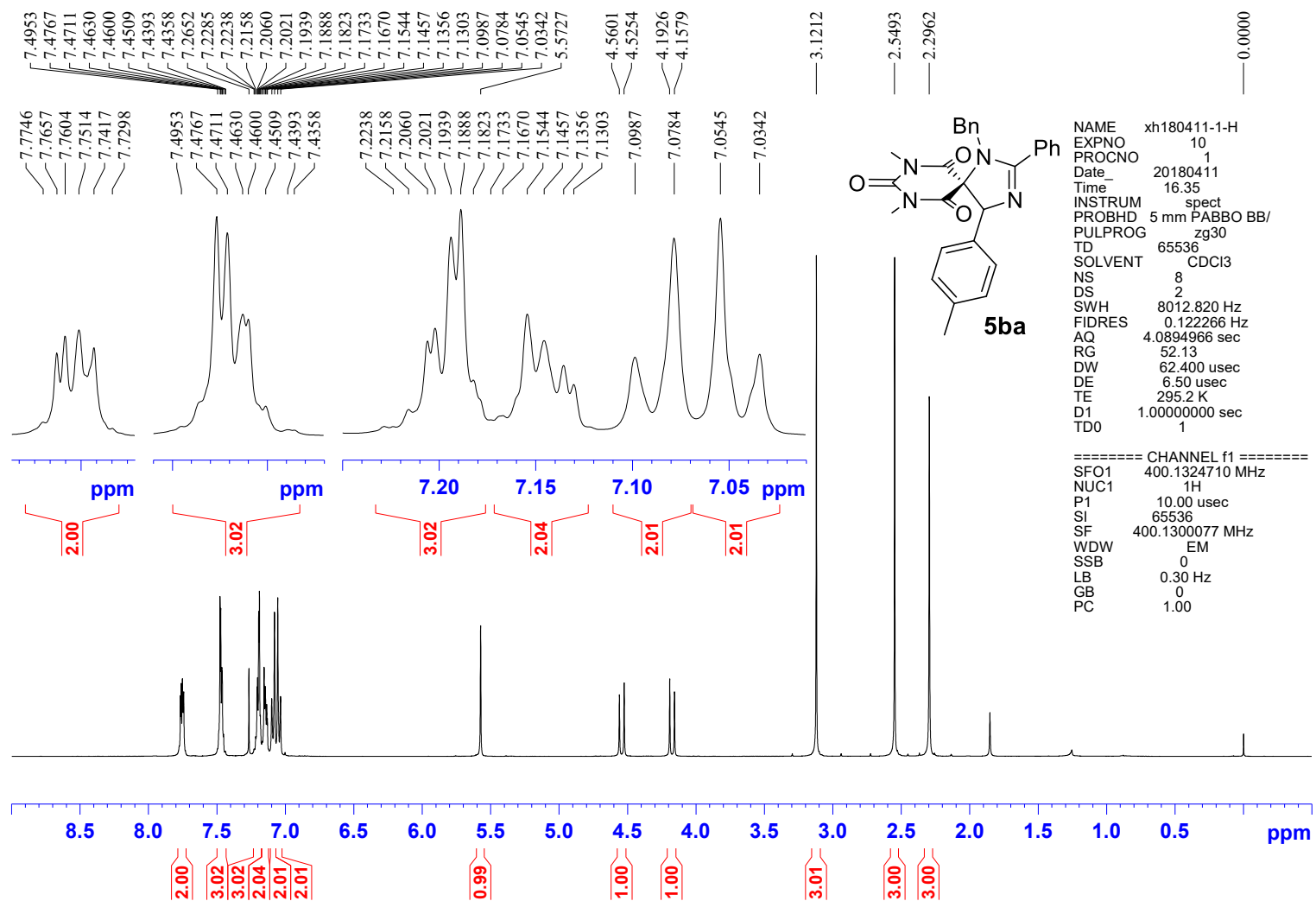


Figure S77. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 5ba

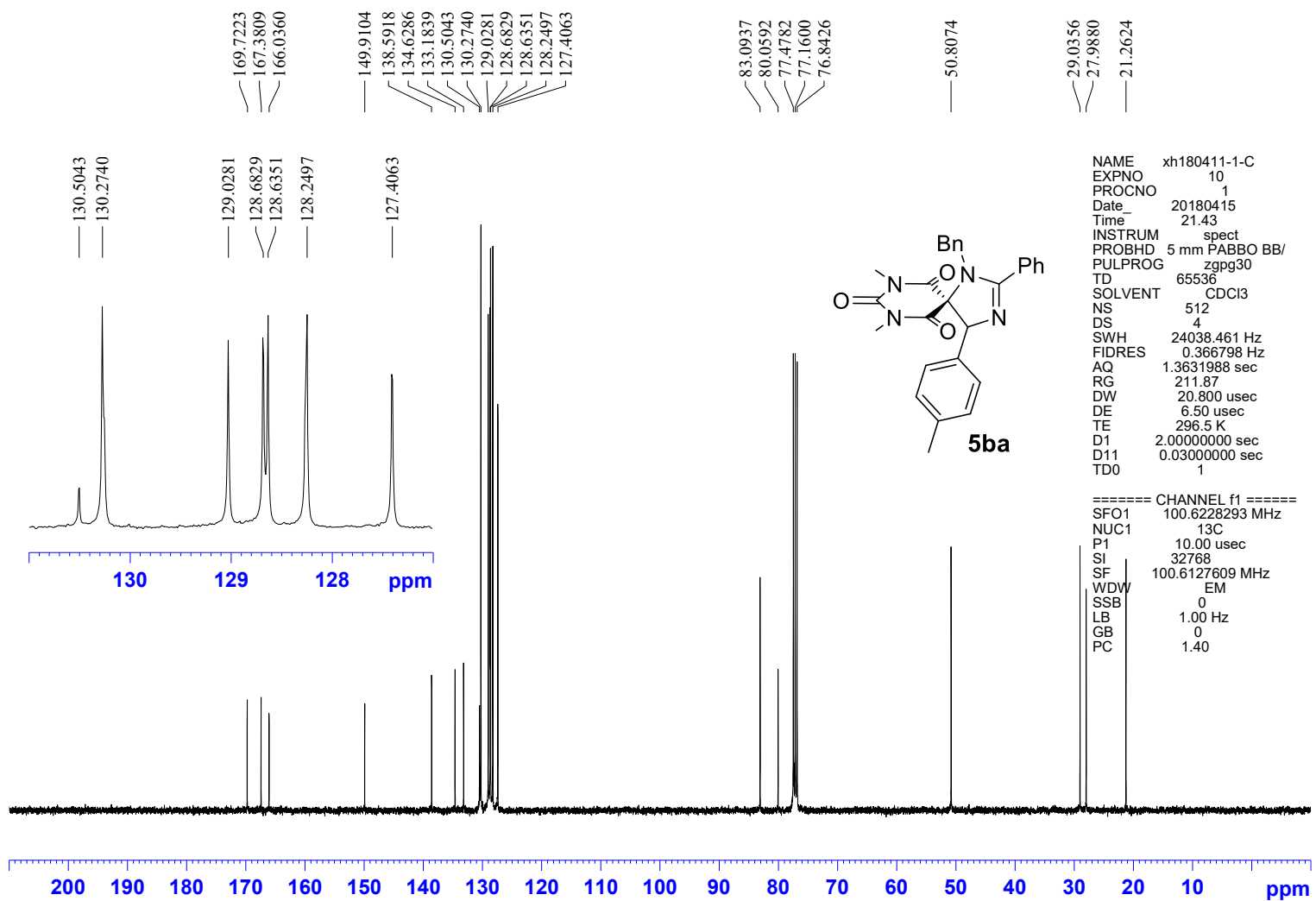


Figure S78. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 5ba



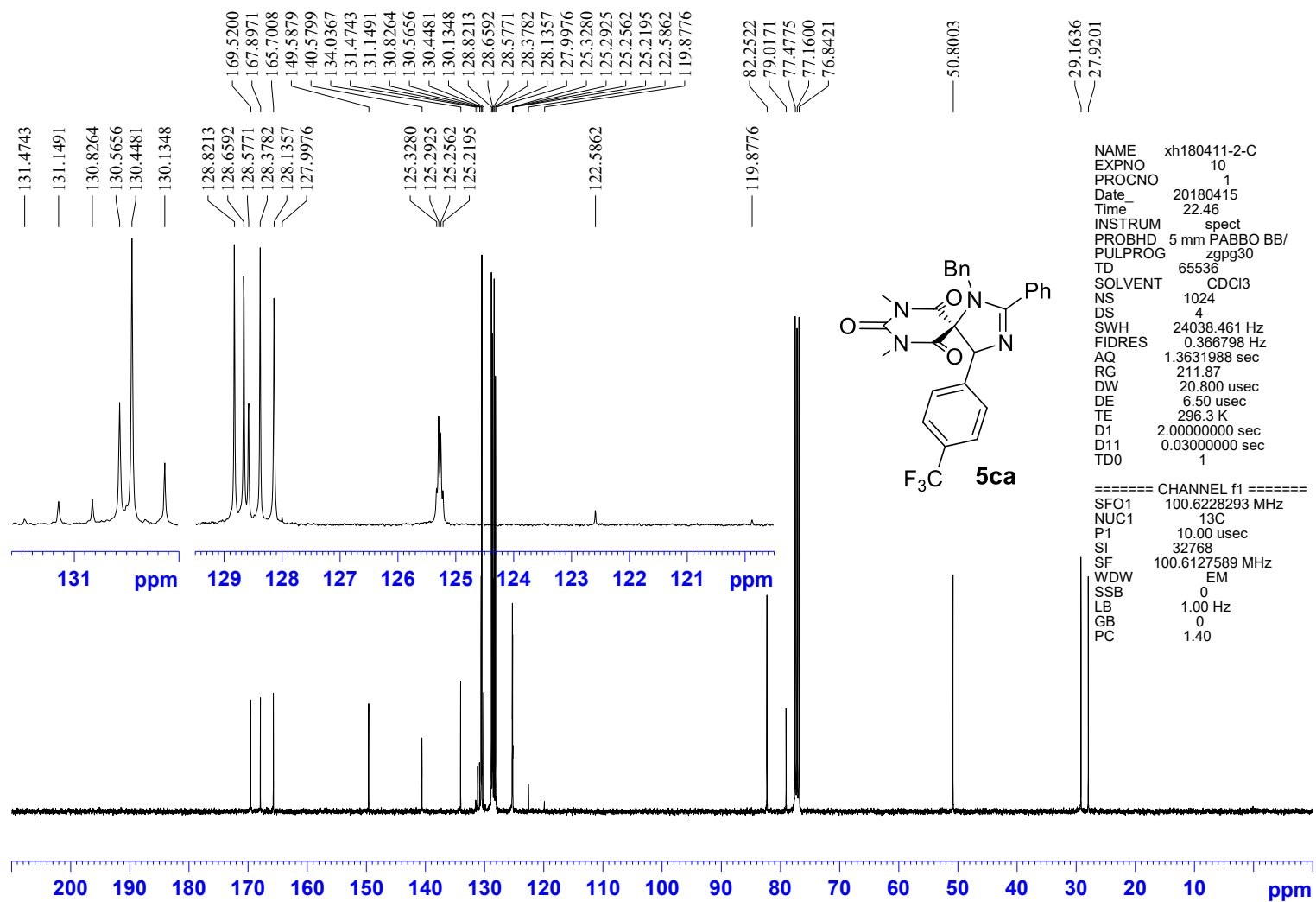


Figure S80. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 5ca



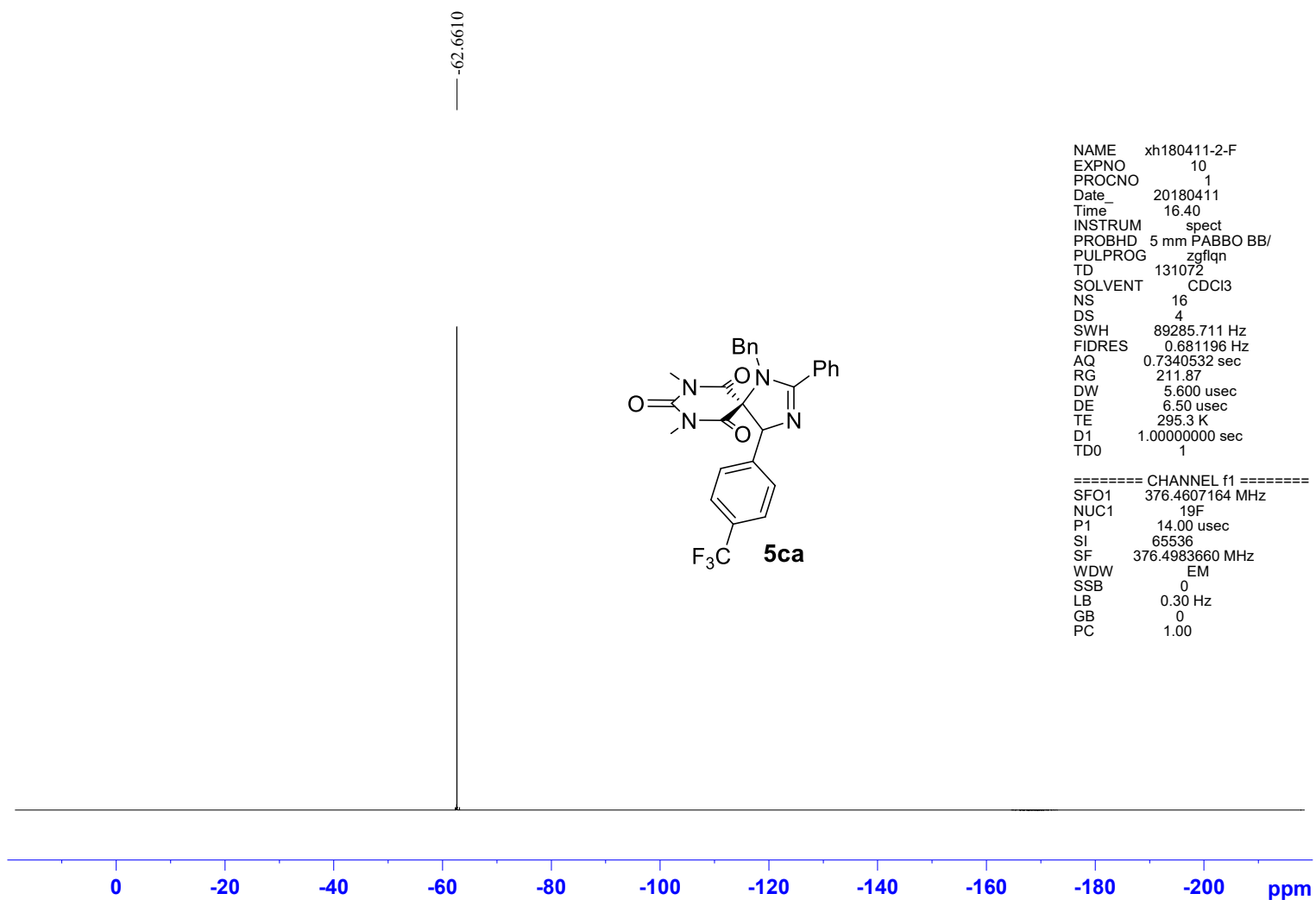


Figure S81.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of compound **5ca**



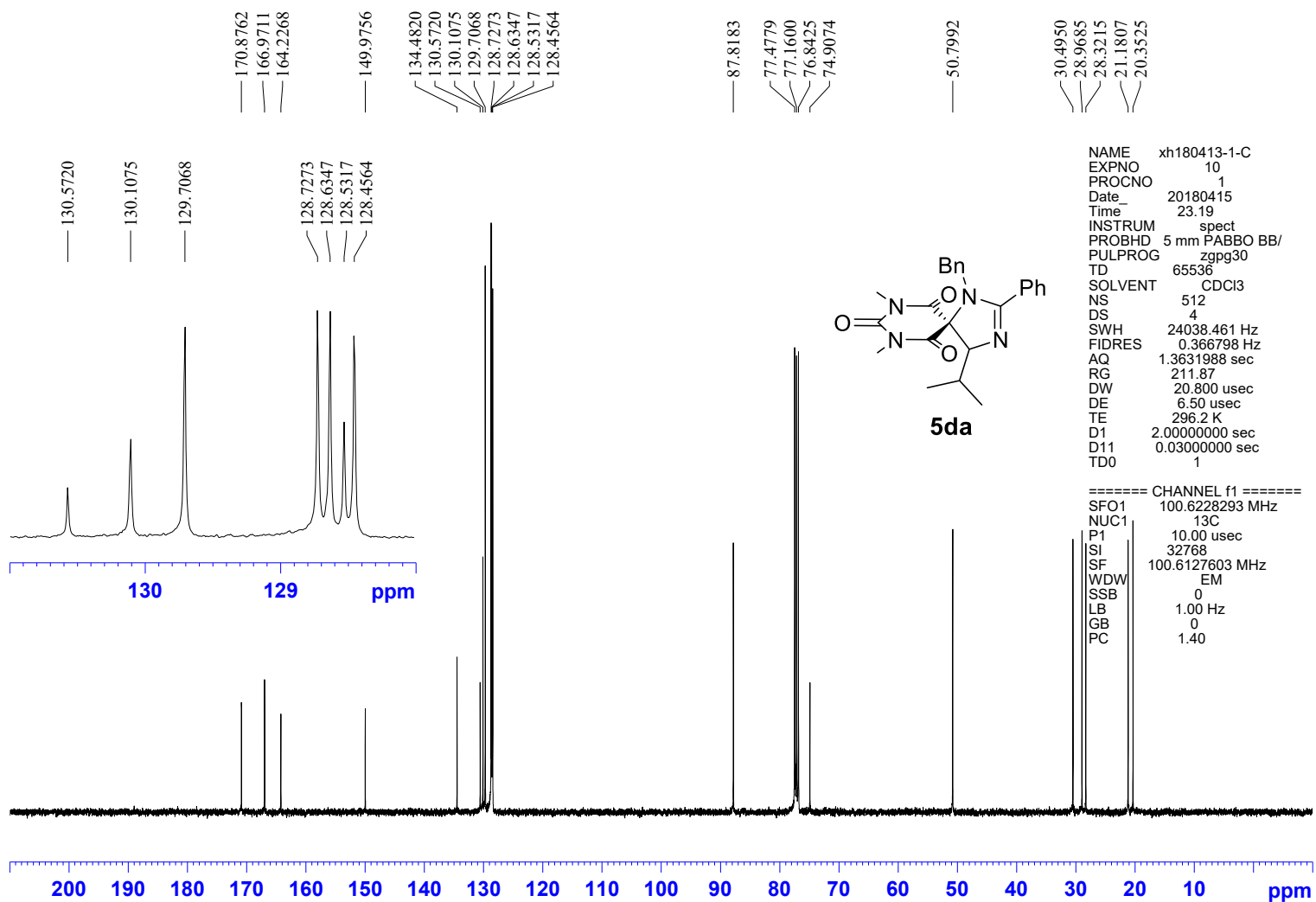


Figure S83. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 5da

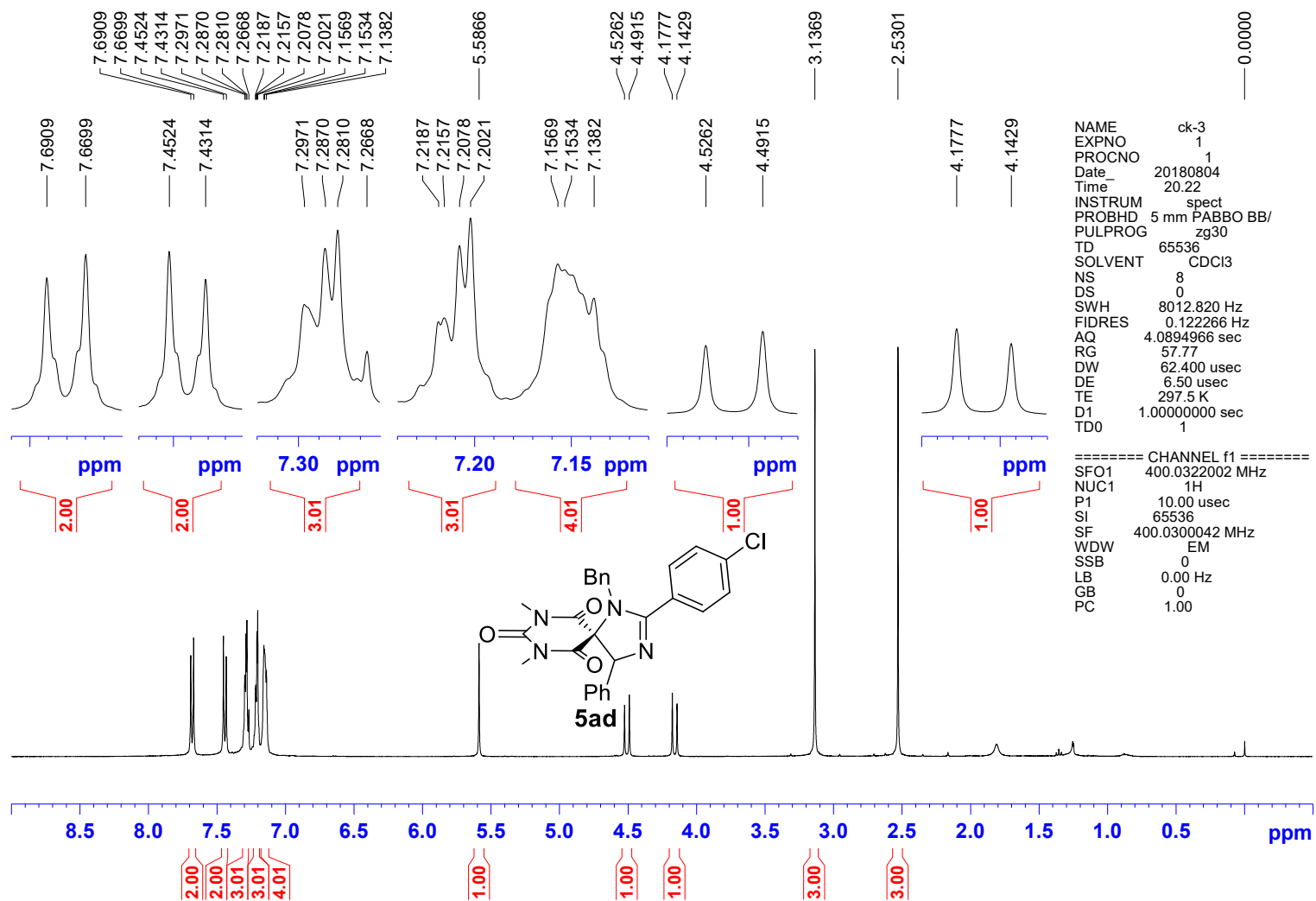


Figure S84. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 5ad

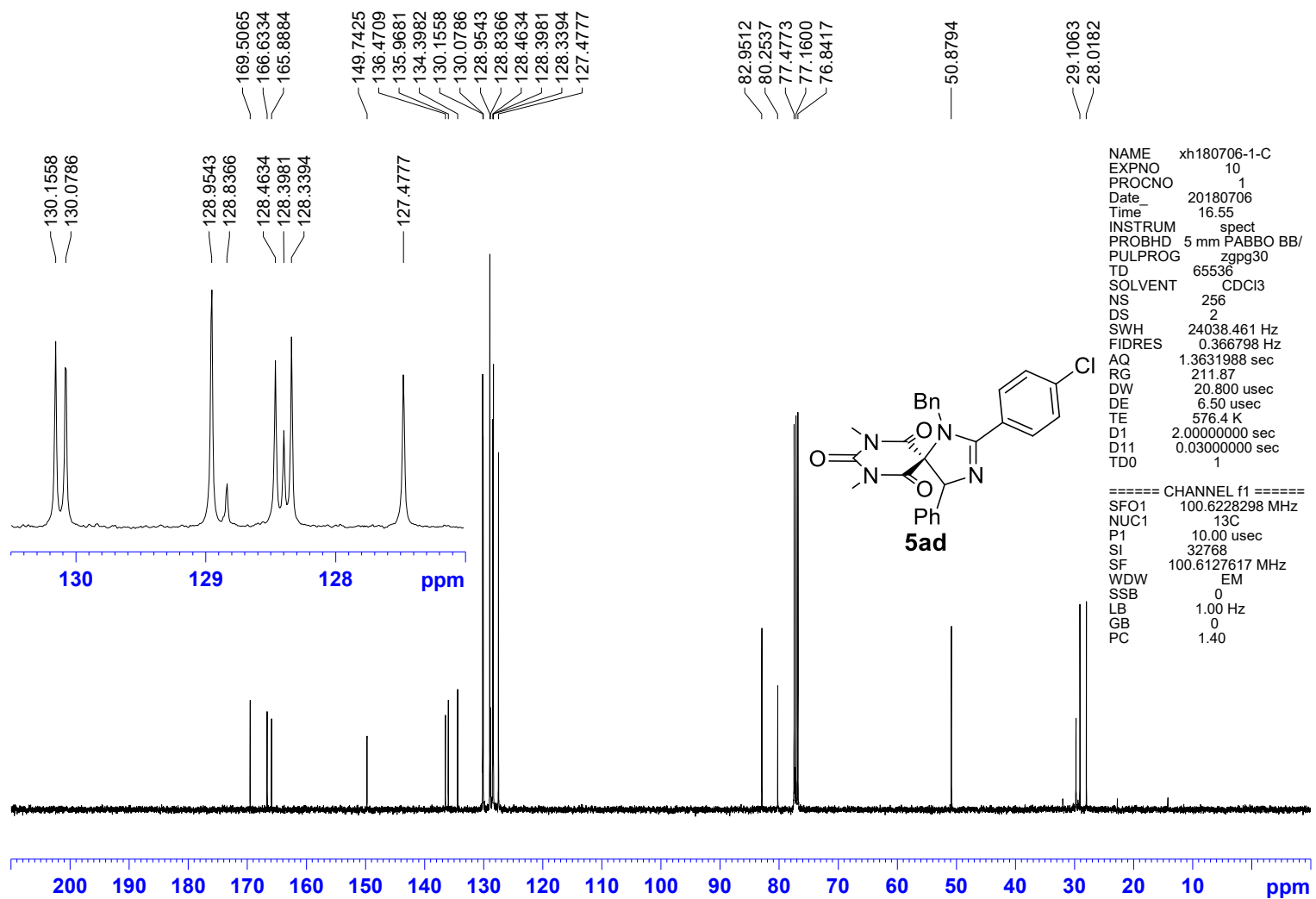


Figure S85.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of compound 5ad

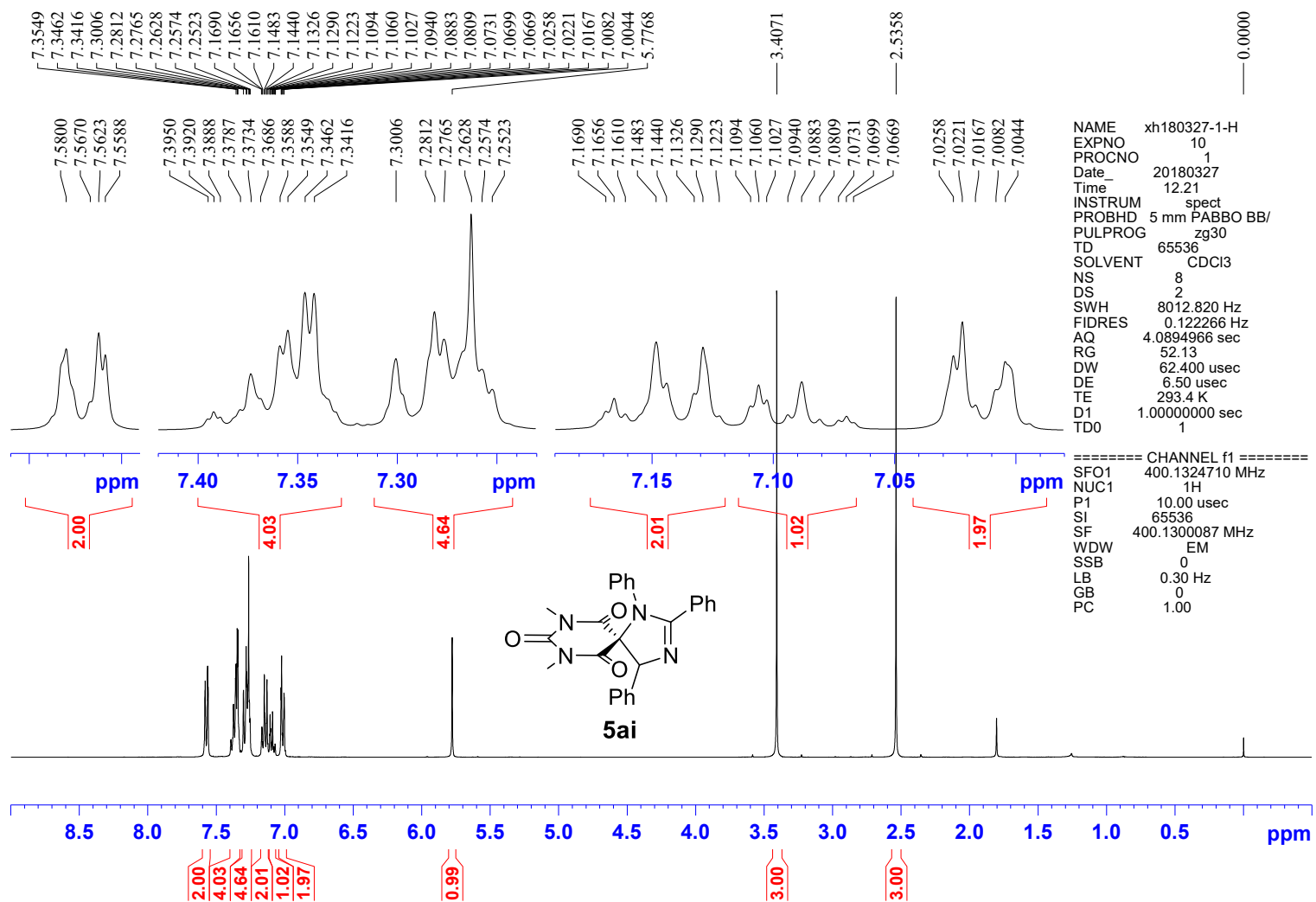


Figure S86.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of compound 5ai

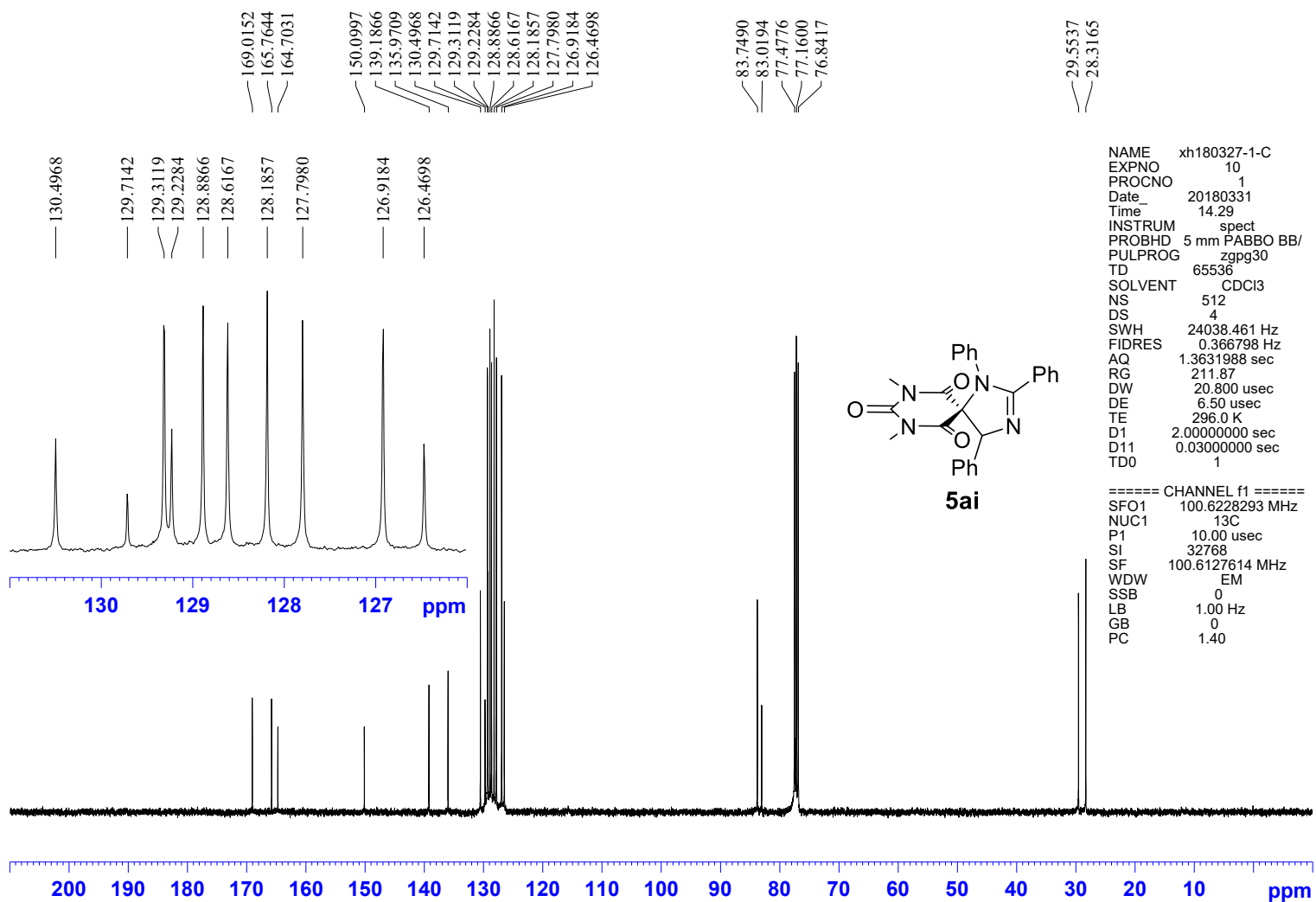


Figure S87.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of compound 5ai

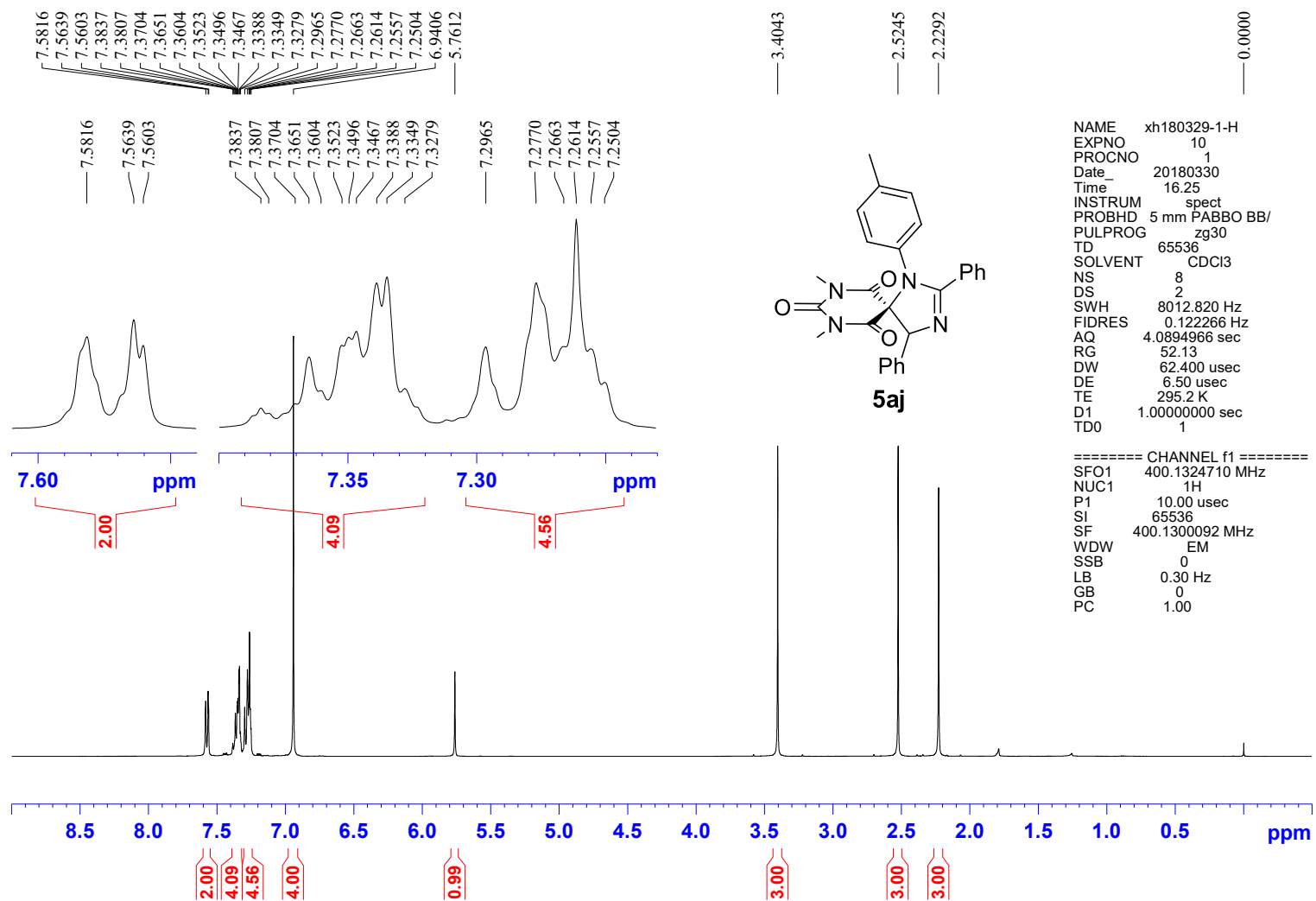


Figure S88. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound **5aj**



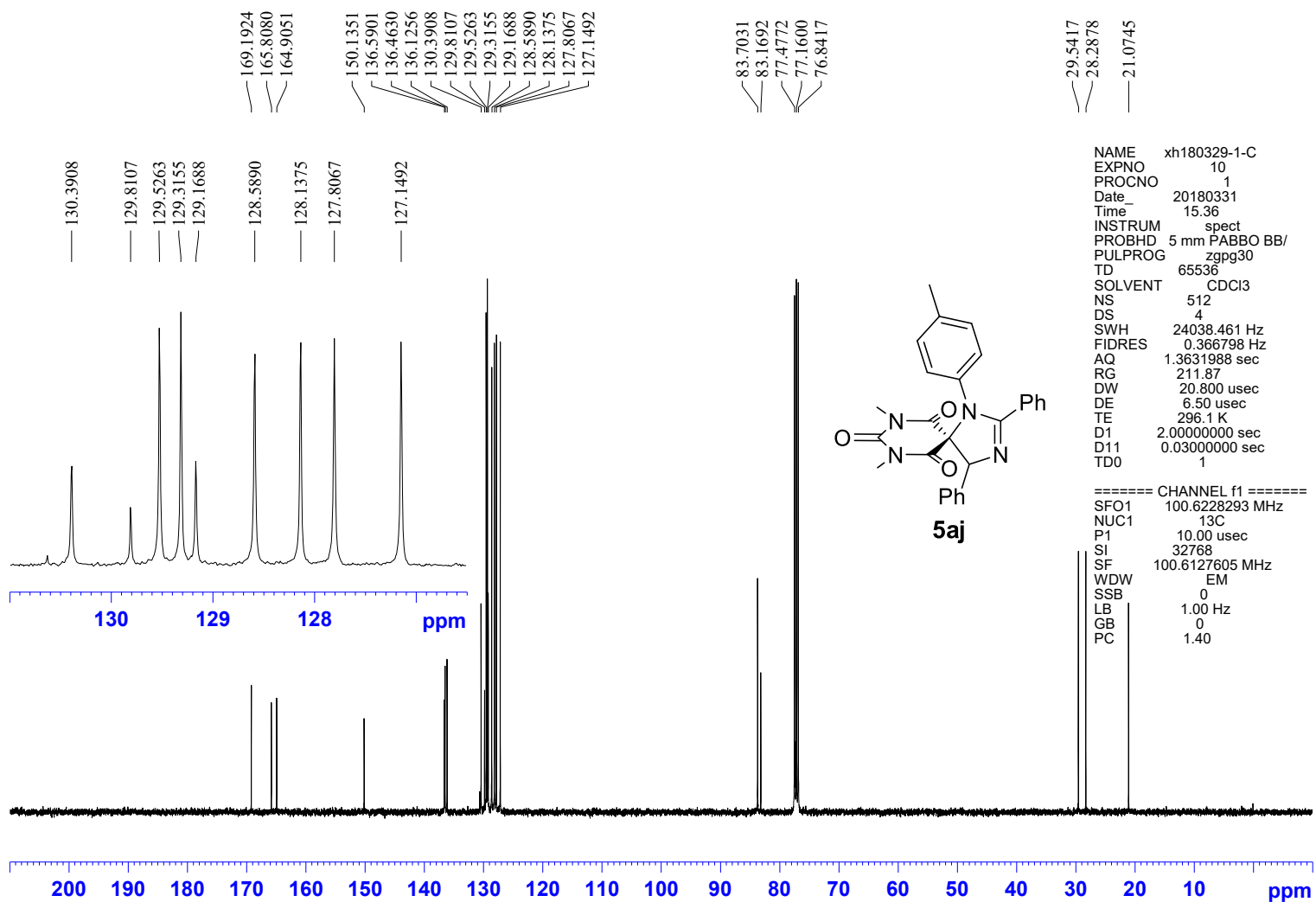


Figure S89. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound **5aj**

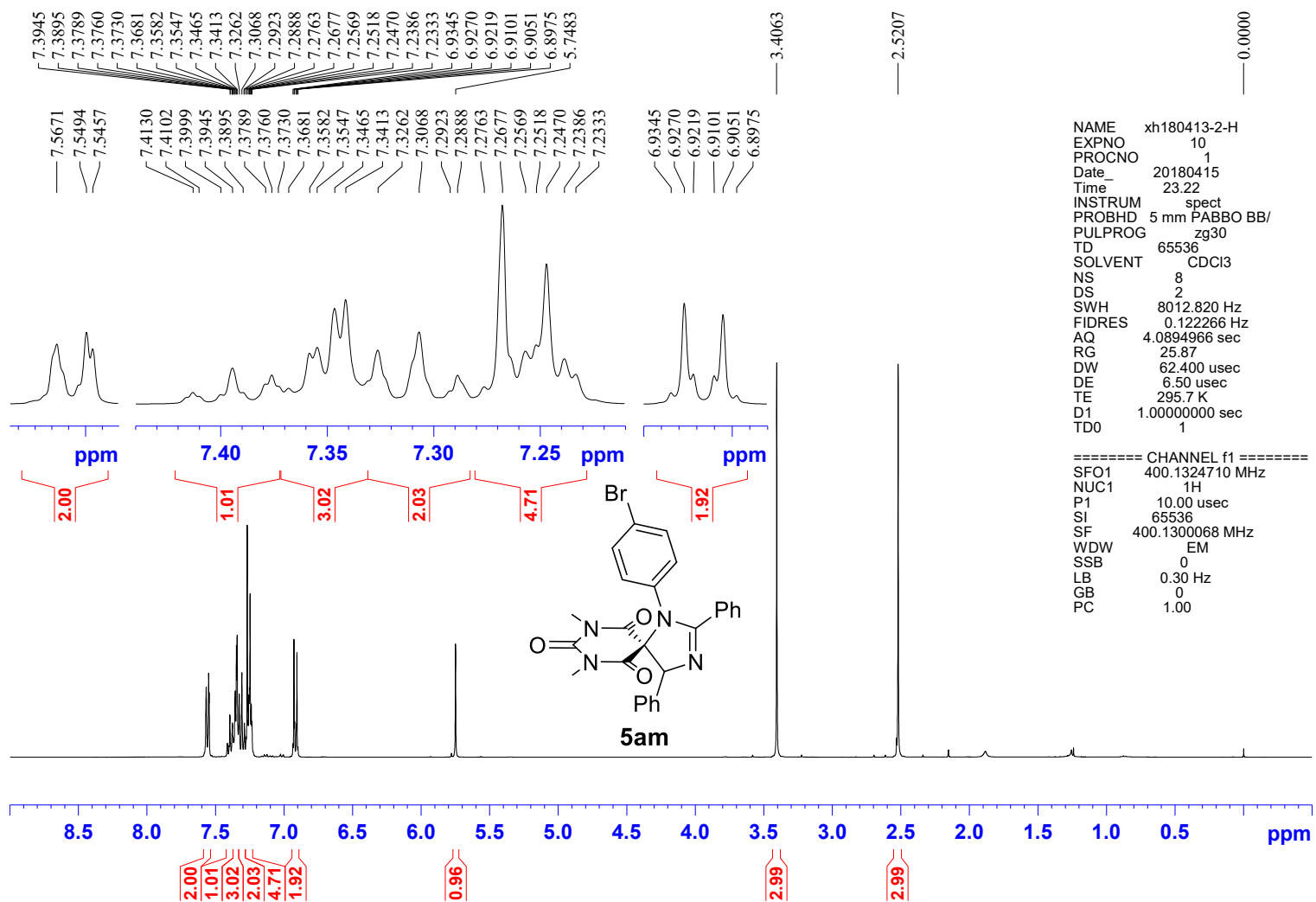


Figure S90. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 5am

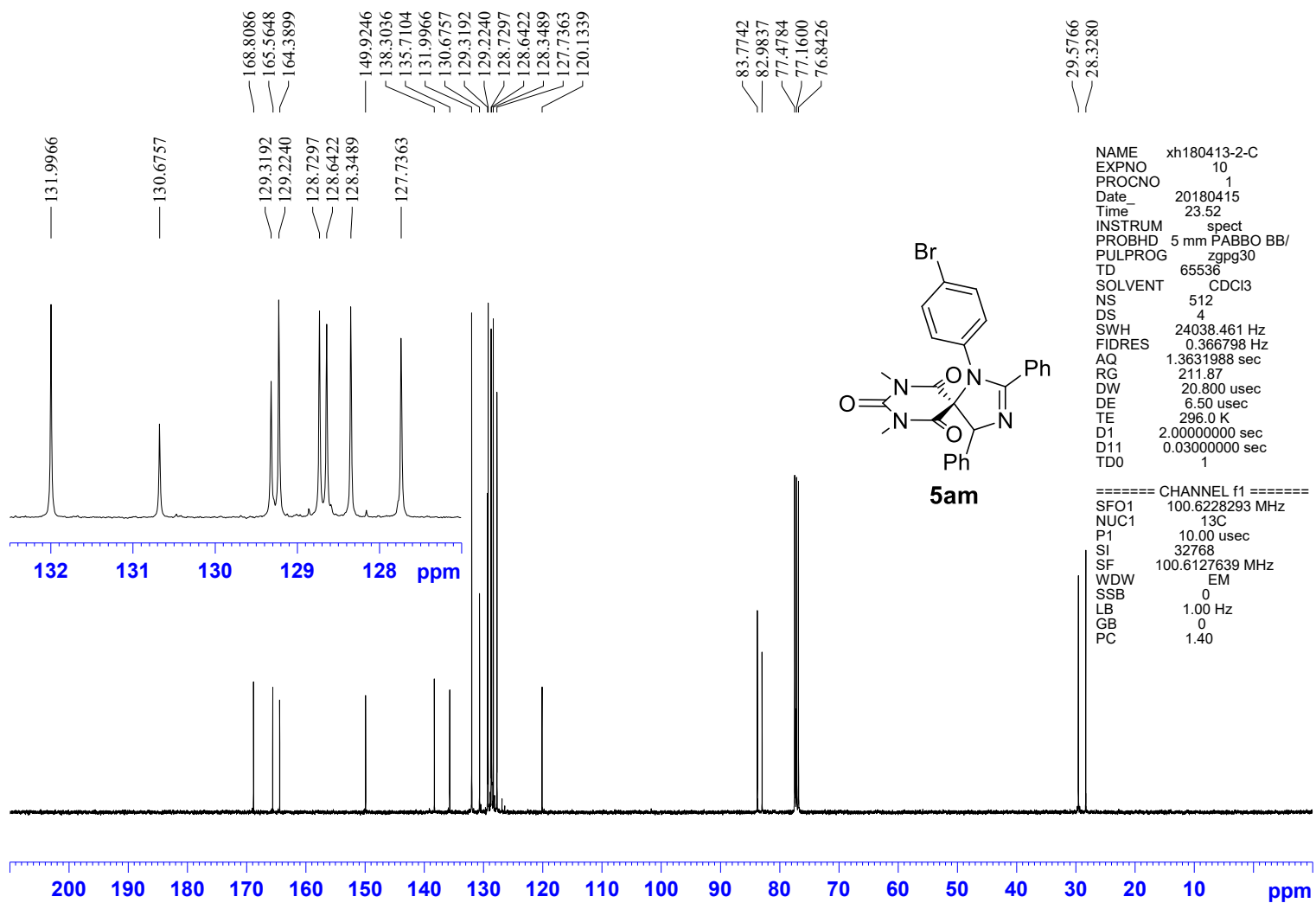


Figure S91. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 5am

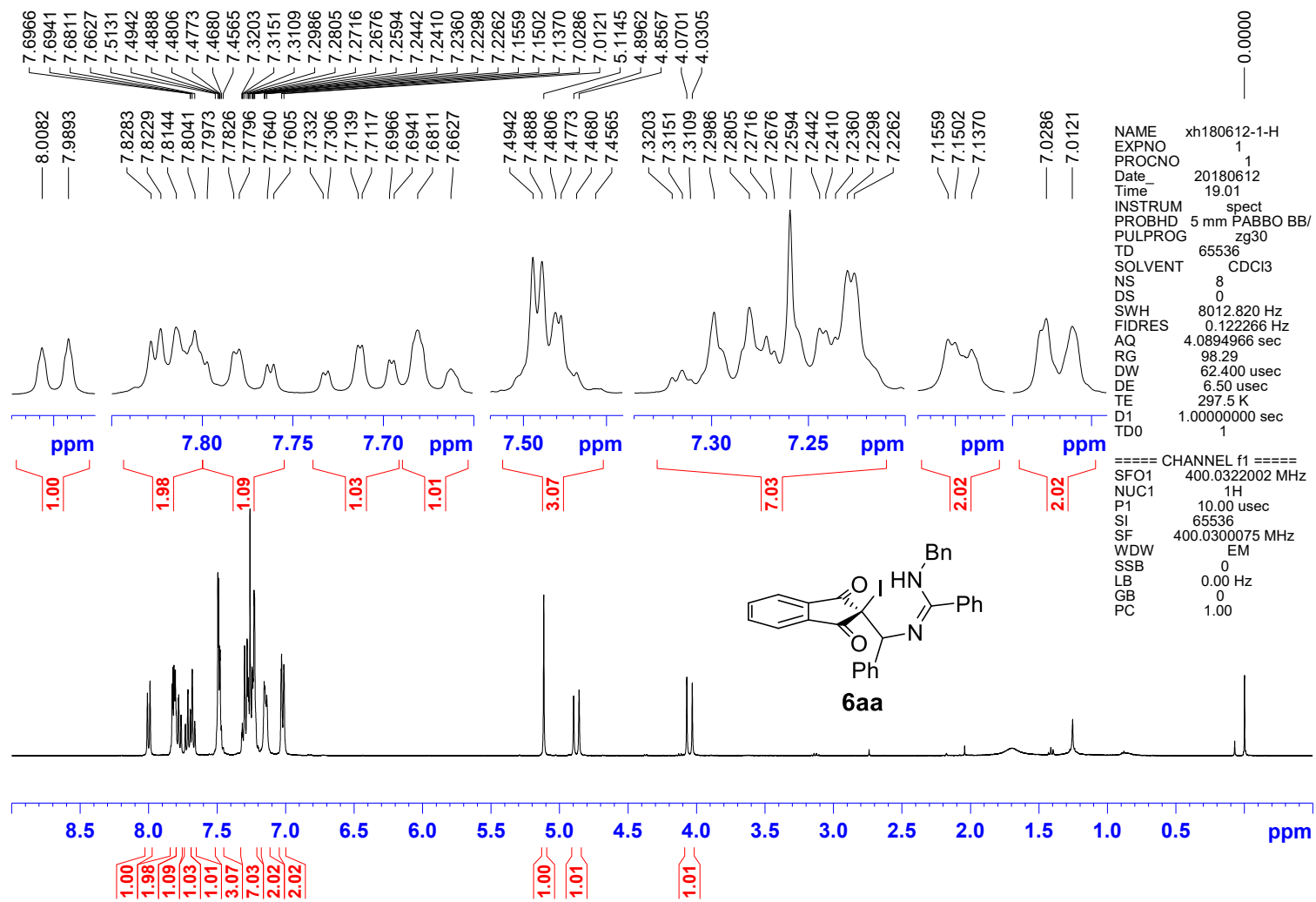


Figure S92.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of compound 6aa

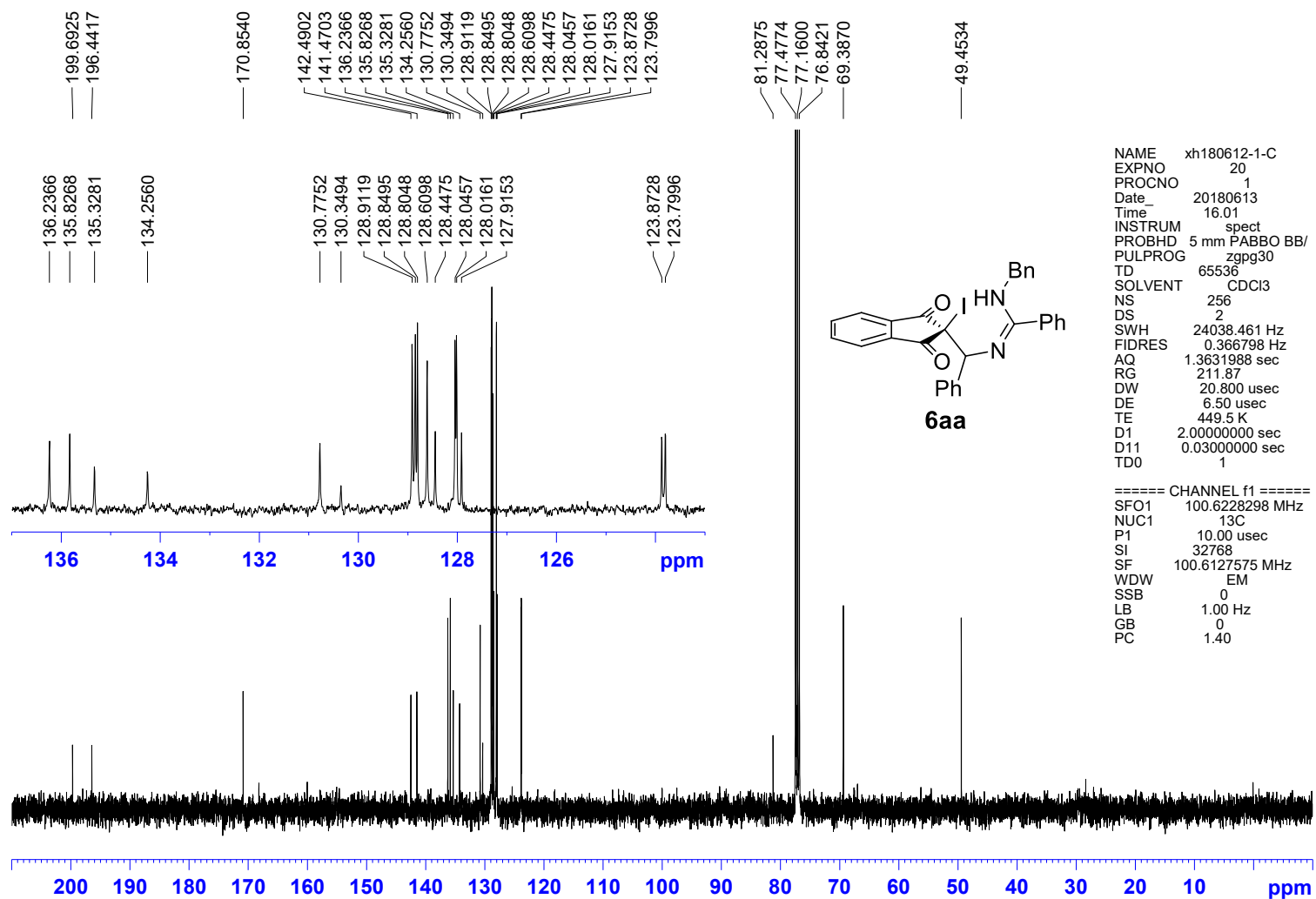


Figure S93. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of compound 6aa

## 6. Single-crystal X-ray crystallography of 3la

Single crystals of **3la** were obtained by slow evaporation from a mixture of acetone/*n*-hexane at 5 °C. Single-crystal X-ray diffraction data were collected on a diffractometer (Gemini S Ultra, Agilent Technologies) equipped with a CCD area detector using graphite-monochromated CuK $\alpha$  radiation ( $\lambda = 1.54184 \text{ \AA}$ ) in the scan range  $9.132 < 2\theta < 142.318^\circ$ . The structure was solved with direct methods using SHELXS-97 and refined with full-matrix least-squares refinement using the SHELXL-97 program within OLEX2. Crystallographic data have been deposited in the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre as deposition number CCDC 1829368.

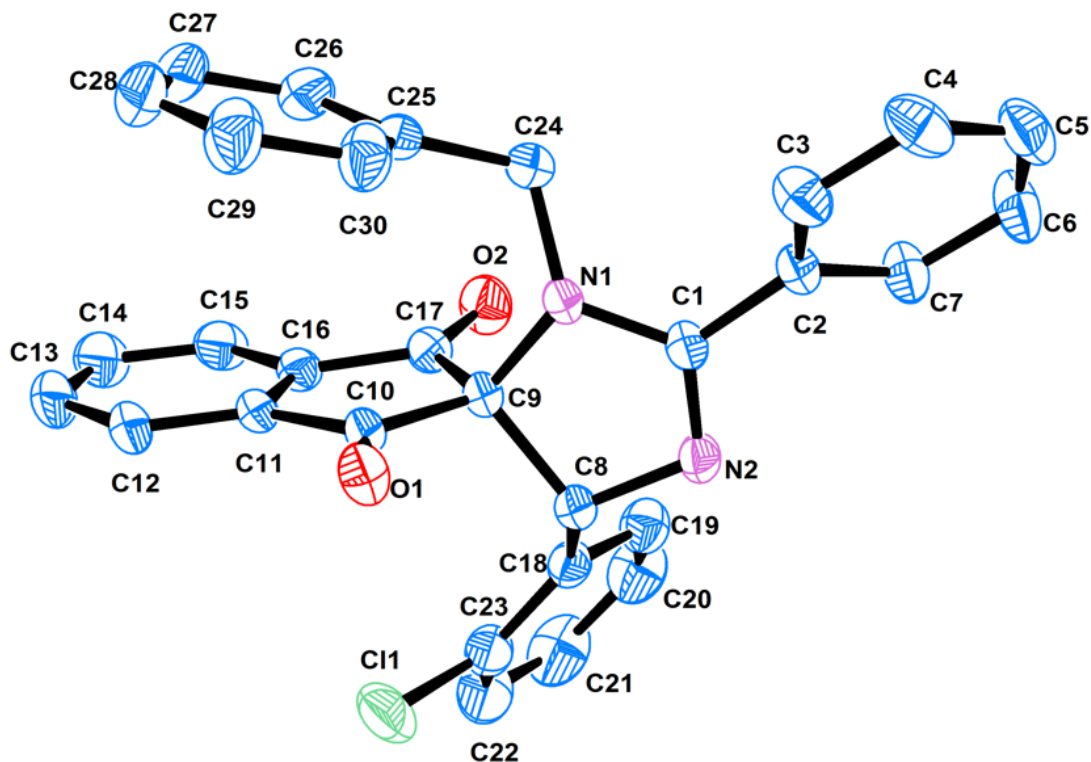


Figure S94. ORTEP Diagrams of 3la with 30% thermal ellipsoids

**Table S1 Crystal data and structure refinement for 3la.**

Identification code	1829368
Empirical formula	C <sub>30</sub> H <sub>21</sub> ClN <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub>
Formula weight	476.94
Temperature/K	291(2)
Crystal system	triclinic
Space group	P-1
a/Å	8.5511(3)
b/Å	10.4286(3)
c/Å	14.3935(4)
α/°	88.875(2)
β/°	87.601(2)
γ/°	68.209(3)
Volume/Å <sup>3</sup>	1190.78(7)
Z	2
ρ <sub>calc</sub> /cm <sup>3</sup>	1.330
μ/mm <sup>-1</sup>	1.664
F(000)	496.0
Crystal size/mm <sup>3</sup>	0.310 × 0.250 × 0.240
Radiation	CuKα (λ = 1.54184)
2θ range for data collection/°	9.132 to 142.318
Index ranges	-10 ≤ h ≤ 9, -12 ≤ k ≤ 11, -17 ≤ l ≤ 17
Reflections collected	7629
Independent reflections	4450 [R <sub>int</sub> = 0.0172, R <sub>sigma</sub> = 0.0180]
Data/restraints/parameters	4450/0/316
Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>	1.040
Final R indexes [I ≥ 2σ (I)]	R <sub>1</sub> = 0.0464, wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.1270
Final R indexes [all data]	R <sub>1</sub> = 0.0501, wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.1306
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å <sup>-3</sup>	0.16/-0.46