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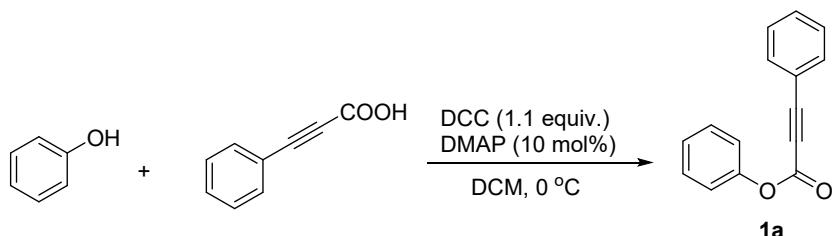
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1. General Information

Unless otherwise indicated, Commercial substrates, solvents and reagents were not further purified. The reactions process were monitored by TLC and visualized by UV light (254 nm and 365 nm). Column chromatography was performed using silica gel (300-400 mesh). ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded in CDCl₃ 400 (or 600) and 100 (or 150) MHz respectively, and both are reported in units of parts per million (ppm) downfield from tetramethylsilan (SiMe₄, δ = 0.0 ppm). The chemical shift of NMR relative to solvent signal is reported that CDCl₃ (δ = 7.26 ppm for ¹H NMR and δ = 77.00 ppm for ¹³C NMR), High resolution mass spectrometry (HRMS) data were recorded by a Thermo Finnigan LCQ-Advantage spectrometer.

2. Experimental procedures

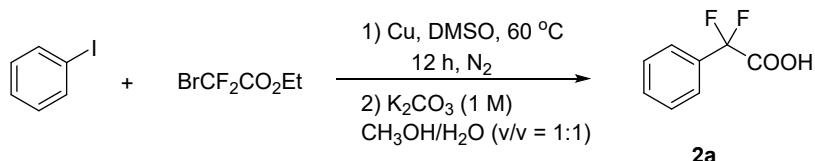
2.1 General Procedure for preparation of 1¹



Scheme 2-1

To a 50 mL round-bottom flask were added phenol (11 mmol, 1.1 g), 3-phenylpropionic acid (10 mmol, 1.5 g) and 20 mL of dichloromethane solution at room temperature, followed by dicyclohexylcarbodiimide (DCC, 11 mmol, 2.3 g) and 4-dimethylaminopyridine (DMAP, 1 mmol, 122.2 mg), respectively. and stirred at 0 °C for 1h, followed by 4 h at room temperature.. The reaction was quenched with water and extracted with ethyl acetate. The combined organic layers were dried with Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by silica gel column chromatography (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate = 50:1, v/v) to obtain a white solid phenyl 3-phenylpropiolate **1a** in 88% yield after vacuum drying (Scheme 2-1). Other substituted phenylpropiolate compounds were prepared by the same method described above.

2.2 General Procedure for preparation of 2²



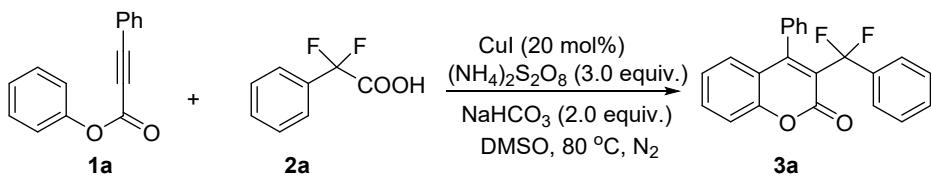
Scheme 2-2

In a 50 mL round bottom flask under air, iodobenzene (10 mmol, 2.1 g) and ethyl bromodifluoroacetate (10 mmol, 1.3 mL) were added to a suspension of copper powder (26 mmol, 1.7 g) in dimethyl sulfoxide (26 mL, 0.4 M)., The reaction mixture was stirred

magnetically at 60 °C for 12 h. After the reaction was completed and cooled to room temperature, the remaining copper powder in the reaction solution was removed by filtration, and then the filtrate was poured into 100 mL of water, at which time a large amount of white flocculent material was produced. The filtrate was extracted with ethyl acetate (3×50 mL) and the combined organic phases were washed with water (3×50 mL), dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated by rotary evaporator. The product was used for next step without further purification

In a 50 mL round bottom flask, The crude product obtained was added to a mixture of methanol (30 mL) and 1 M K₂CO₃ aq. (30 mL) and stirred at room temperature for 2 h. Then 1 M HCl was added dropwise to the bottle under ice bath conditions and acidified to pH = 1. After removing a large amount of methanol by distillation under reduced pressure, the aqueous phase was extracted with ethyl acetate (3 × 50 mL) and the combined organic phases were washed with saturated brine (2 × 50 mL), washed with water (2 × 15 mL), dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated in vacuum. The resulting crude product was purified by fast silica gel column chromatography (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate = 5:1, v/v) to give a white solid α,α -difluorophenylacetic acid in 63% yield after vacuum drying (Scheme 2-2). Other substituted α,α -difluoroarylacetic acid compounds were prepared by the same method described above.

2.3 General Procedure for preparation of 3-difluoroarylmethylated coumarins 3



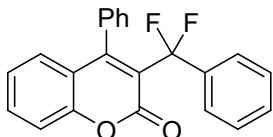
Scheme 2-3

A mixture of phenyl 3-phenylpropiolate **1a** (0.5 mmol, 111.1 mg), α,α -difluorophenylacetic acid **2a** (0.75 mmol, 129.1 mg), CuI (0.1 mmol, 18.9 mg), (NH₄)₂S₂O₈ (1.5 mmol, 228.2 mg), and NaHCO₃ (1 mmol, 84.0 mg) in 3 mL of DMSO under N₂ atmosphere In a 10 mL Schlenk tube was stirred at 80 °C for 3 h. Then the reaction mixture was quenched with water, the aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate (3 × 30 mL), The combined organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄. The filtrate was concentrated by rotary evaporator and the crude product obtained was purified by silica gel column chromatography (*n*-hexane/ethyl acetate = 30:1, v/v) to give the target product **3a** (Scheme 2-3) as a white solid in 60% yield after vacuum drying. The other substituted target products **3b-v** were prepared by referring to the above method.

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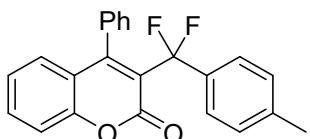
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3. Characterization data of compounds 3



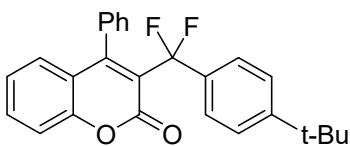
3-[difluoro(phenyl)methyl]-4-phenyl-2H-chromen-2-one (3a):

White solid (104 mg, 60%); m.p. 142–144 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.60 – 7.52 (m, 3H), 7.53 – 7.46 (m, 3H), 7.41 – 7.32 (m, 4H), 7.32 – 7.25 (m, 2H), 7.15 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H); ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -84.7 (s, 2F); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.5 (t, *J* = 3.0 Hz), 154.1, 153.1, 136.0 (t, *J* = 27.0 Hz), 134.3, 132.9, 130.0 (t, *J* = 2.0 Hz), 128.8, 128.5, 128.2, 128.1, 127.4 (t, *J* = 2.6 Hz), 125.5 (t, *J* = 5.0 Hz), 124.3, 121.1 (t, *J* = 26.6 Hz), 120.5, 119.1 (t, *J* = 245.0 Hz), 116.5; HRMS (ESI) : *m/z* calcd for C₂₂H₁₅F₂O₂ [M+H]⁺ 349.1035, mass found 349.1036.



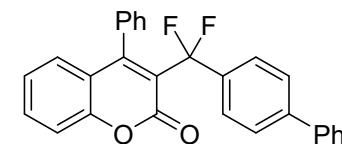
3-[difluoro(p-tolyl)methyl]-4-phenyl-2H-chromen-2-one (3b):

White solid (104 mg, 58%); m.p. 114–116 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.56 – 7.51 (m, 1H), 7.50 – 7.42 (m, 5H), 7.34 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.29 – 7.25 (m, 2H), 7.18 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.16 – 7.11 (m, 1H), 6.91 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 2.34 (s, 3H); ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -84.0 (s, 2F); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.5 (t, *J* = 3.0 Hz), 153.8 (t, *J* = 2.0 Hz), 153.0, 140.0 (t, *J* = 2.0 Hz), 134.3, 133.7 (t, *J* = 27.0 Hz), 132.8, 128.8, 128.8, 128.4, 128.0, 127.3 (t, *J* = 2.6 Hz), 125.4 (t, *J* = 5.0 Hz), 124.3, 121.1 (t, *J* = 26.0 Hz), 120.5, 119.2 (t, *J* = 245.6 Hz), 116.4, 21.3; HRMS (ESI) : *m/z* calcd for C₂₃H₁₇F₂O₂ [M+H]⁺ 363.1191, mass found 363.1186.



3-[{4-(tert-butyl)phenyl}difluoromethyl]-4-phenyl-2H-

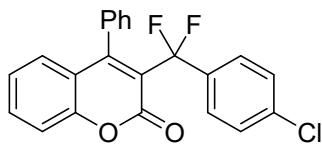
chromen-2-one (3c): Yellow solid (139 mg, 69%); m.p. 99–101 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.54 – 7.45 (m, 6H), 7.38 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.32 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.30 – 7.25 (m, 2H), 7.14 – 7.10 (m, 1H), 6.90 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 1.29 (s, 9H); ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -84.2 (s, 2F); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.4 (t, *J* = 3.0 Hz), 153.7 (t, *J* = 2.0 Hz), 153.0, 152.9 (t, *J* = 2.0 Hz), 134.4, 133.6 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz), 132.7, 128.8, 128.4, 128.0, 127.4 (t, *J* = 2.6 Hz), 125.3 (t, *J* = 5.6 Hz), 125.1, 124.3, 121.2 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz), 120.5, 119.2 (t, *J* = 245.0 Hz), 116.4, 34.6, 31.1; HRMS (ESI) : *m/z* calcd for C₂₆H₂₃F₂O₂ [M+H]⁺ 405.1661, mass found 405.1661.



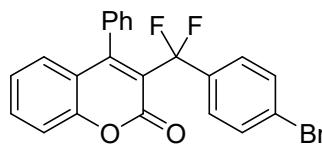
3-[(1,1'-biphenyl)-4-yldifluoromethyl]-4-phenyl-2H-

chromen-2-one (3d): Light yellow solid (131 mg, 62%); m.p. 169–171 °C; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.62 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.60 – 7.54 (m, 3H), 7.57 – 7.50 (m, 2H), 7.52 – 7.46 (m, 3H), 7.42 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.38 – 7.32 (m, 2H), 7.31 – 7.26 (m, 2H), 7.16 – 7.11 (m, 1H), 6.92 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 1.6 Hz, 1H); ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -84.5 (s, 2F); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.5, 154.1, 153.2, 142.8, 140.3, 135.5 (t, *J* = 12.0 Hz), 134.4, 132.9, 128.8, 128.8, 128.5, 128.1, 127.7, 127.5 (t, *J* = 2.2 Hz), 127.2, 126.9, 126.1 (t, *J* = 5.2 Hz)

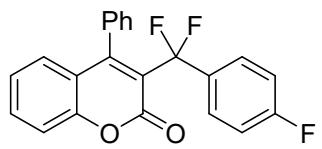
Hz), 124.3, 121.1 (t, J = 25.6 Hz), 120.6, 119.2 (t, J = 245.2 Hz), 116.5; **HRMS** (ESI) : m/z calcd for $C_{28}H_{19}F_2O_2$ [M+H]⁺ 425.1348, mass found 425.1342.



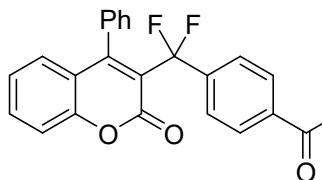
3-[(4-chlorophenyl)difluoromethyl]-4-phenyl-2H-chromen-2-one (3e): White solid (89 mg, 47%); m.p. 113-115 °C; **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.60 – 7.51 (m, 1H), 7.52 – 7.49 (m, 5H), 7.39 – 7.30 (m, 3H), 7.26 (dd, J = 6.6, 2.8 Hz, 2H), 7.20 – 7.11 (m, 1H), 6.92 (dd, J = 8.0, 1.6 Hz, 1H); **¹⁹F NMR** (376 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ -84.9 (s, 2F); **¹³C NMR** (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 157.5 (t, J = 3.0 Hz), 154.4, 153.0, 136.0 (t, J = 2.6 Hz), 135.1 (t, J = 7.6 Hz), 134.1, 133.1, 128.8, 128.6, 128.4, 128.1, 127.3 (t, J = 2.4 Hz), 127.1 (t, J = 5.6 Hz), 124.4, 120.5 (t, J = 26.4 Hz), 120.3, 118.6 (t, J = 245.6 Hz), 116.5; **HRMS** (ESI) : m/z calcd for $C_{22}H_{14}ClF_2O_2$ [M+H]⁺ 383.0645, mass found 383.0640.



3-[(4-bromophenyl)difluoromethyl]-4-phenyl-2H-chromen-2-one (3f): Light yellow solid (95 mg, 45%); m.p. 108-110 °C; **¹H NMR** (600 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.56 – 7.53 (m, 1H), 7.50 – 7.48 (m, 5H), 7.42 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.34 (dd, J = 8.4, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.26 – 7.24 (m, 2H), 7.16 – 7.13 (m, 1H), 6.91 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.6 Hz, 1H); **¹⁹F NMR** (565 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ -85.1 (s, 2F); **¹³C NMR** (150 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 157.4 (t, J = 3.0 Hz), 154.4, 153.1, 137.3, 135.7 (t, J = 27.8 Hz), 134.2, 133.0, 131.3, 128.8, 128.6, 128.2, 127.4 (t, J = 4.6 Hz), 124.4, 124.4 (t, J = 22.4 Hz), 120.6 (t, J = 25.6 Hz), 120.4, 118.7 (t, J = 246.0 Hz), 116.5; **HRMS** (ESI) : m/z calcd for $C_{22}H_{14}BrF_2O_2$ [M+H]⁺ 427.0140, mass found 427.0147.



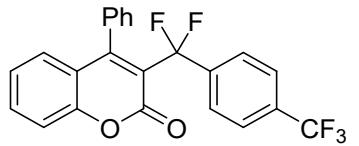
3-[difluoro(4-fluorophenyl)methyl]-4-phenyl-2H-chromen-2-one (3g): Light yellow solid (93 mg, 48%); m.p. 95-97°C; **¹H NMR** (600 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.58 – 7.52 (m, 3H), 7.54 – 7.47 (m, 3H), 7.35 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.28 – 7.23 (m, 2H), 7.16-7.13 (m, 1H), 7.04 (t, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 6.91 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.6 Hz, 1H); **¹⁹F NMR** (565 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ -83.9(d, 2F), -110.8, -110.9 (m, 1F); **¹³C NMR** (150 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 164.3, 162.7, 157.5 (t, J = 3.8 Hz), 154.2 (t, J = 2.2 Hz), 153.1, 134.3, 133.0, 132.7 (td, J = 27.0, 3.0 Hz), 128.8, 128.6, 128.2, 127.8 (td, J = 19.6, 9.0, 1.6 Hz), 127.4 (t, J = 3.0 Hz), 124.4, 120.9 (t, J = 25.6 Hz), 120.5, 118.7 (t, J = 246.0 Hz), 116.5, 115.2, 115.1; **HRMS** (ESI) : m/z calcd for $C_{22}H_{13}F_3NaO_2$ [M+Na]⁺ 389.0760, mass found 389.0761.



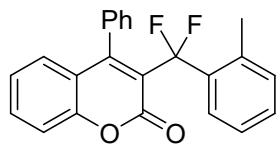
3-[(4-acetylphenyl)difluoromethyl]-4-phenyl-2H-chromen-2-one (3h): White solid (99 mg, 51%); m.p. 118-120 °C; **¹H NMR** (600 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.88 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.58 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.52 – 7.46 (m, 1H), 7.45 – 7.43 (m, 3H), 7.28 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.24 – 7.19 (m, 2H), 7.09 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.86 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 2.52 (s, 3H); **¹⁹F NMR** (376 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ -85.9 (s, 2F); **¹³C NMR** (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 197.4, 157.5 (t, J = 3.0 Hz), 154.7 (t, J = 2.0 Hz), 153.1, 140.9 (t, J = 27.0 Hz), 138.1, 134.1, 133.1, 128.9, 128.7, 128.2, 128.1, 127.4 (t, J = 3.0 Hz),

125.9 (t, $J = 5.0$ Hz), 124.5, 120.4 (t, $J = 25.6$ Hz), 118.6 (t, $J = 246.0$ Hz), 116.6, 116.5, 26.7; **HRMS (ESI)** : m/z calcd for $C_{24}H_{16}F_2NaO_3 [M+Na]^+$ 413.0960, mass found 413.0963.

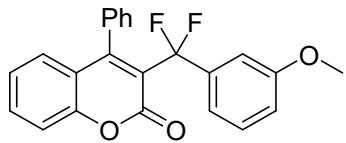
(^1H NMR of 3h was detected at 600 MHz)



3-[difluoro(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)methyl]-4-phenyl-2H-chromen-2-one (3i) : Yellow solid (64 mg, 31%); m.p. 107-109 °C; **^1H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.55 (dd, $J = 7.2, 2.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.52 – 7.48 (m, 3H), 7.43 – 7.33 (m, 3H), 7.30 – 7.23 (m, 2H), 7.06 (dd, $J = 8.6, 2.4$ Hz, 1H), 6.96 – 6.81 (m, 2H); **^{19}F NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -62.8 (s, F), -85.8 (s, 2F); **^{13}C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.3, 163.8, 157.3 (t, $J = 3.6$ Hz), 154.3 (d, $J = 13.0$ Hz), 153.7, 136.5 (t, $J = 26.6$ Hz), 134.2, 130.9 (d, $J = 10.0$ Hz), 130.1 (t, $J = 2.0$ Hz), 128.7, 128.3, 128.2, 127.4 (t, $J = 2.6$ Hz), 125.6 (t, $J = 5.6$ Hz), 120.1 (td, $J = 26.6, 2.8$ Hz), 119.1 (t, $J = 245.0$ Hz), 117.4 (d, $J = 3.0$ Hz), 112.6 (d, $J = 22.0$ Hz), 104.0 (d, $J = 25.0$ Hz); **HRMS (ESI)** : m/z calcd for $C_{23}H_{13}F_5NaO_2 [M+Na]^+$ 439.0728, mass found 439.0730.

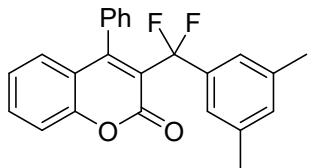


3-[difluoro(o-tolyl)methyl]-4-phenyl-2H-chromen-2-one (3j): White solid (83 mg, 46%); m.p. 143-145 °C; **^1H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.57 – 7.54 (m, 1H), 7.46 – 7.40 (m, 4H), 7.37 (dd, $J = 8.2, 1.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.25 – 7.24 (m, 1H), 7.24 – 7.20 (m, 2H), 7.19 – 7.10 (m, 3H), 6.98 (dd, $J = 8.2, 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 2.36 (s, 3H); **^{19}F NMR** (565 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -82.4 (s, 2F); **^{13}C NMR** (150 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 157.6 (t, $J = 3.0$ Hz), 154.6 (t, $J = 2.2$ Hz), 153.4, 135.7, 134.5 (t, $J = 24.0$ Hz), 134.3, 132.9, 131.8, 129.8, 128.8, 128.5, 128.1, 127.5 (t, $J = 2.2$ Hz), 127.0 (t, $J = 6.8$ Hz), 125.3, 124.3, 121.0 (t, $J = 10.6$ Hz), 120.4, 120.3 (t, $J = 244.6$ Hz), 116.6, 20.2 (t, $J = 2.2$ Hz); **HRMS (ESI)** : m/z calcd for $C_{23}H_{17}F_2O_2 [M+H]^+$ 363.1191, mass found 363.1201.

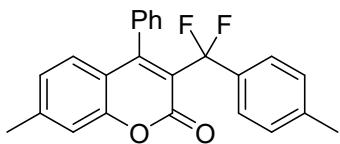


3-[difluoro(3-methoxyphenyl)methyl]-4-phenyl-2H-chromen-2-one (3k): White solid (119 mg, 63%); m.p. 127-129 °C; **^1H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.55 – 7.53 (m, 1H), 7.50 – 7.47 (m, 3H), 7.34 (dd, $J = 8.2, 1.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.29 – 7.26 (m, 3H), 7.15 – 7.13 (m, 1H), 7.12 – 7.11 (m, 2H), 6.93 – 6.90 (m, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H); **^{19}F NMR** (565 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -84.6 (s, 2F); **^{13}C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 159.3, 157.5 (t, $J = 3.0$ Hz), 154.1 (t, $J = 1.6$ Hz), 153.1, 138.0 (t, $J = 26.6$ Hz), 134.3, 132.9, 129.3, 128.8, 128.5, 128.1, 127.5 (t, $J = 2.6$ Hz), 124.3, 121.0 (t, $J = 26.0$ Hz), 120.5, 118.9 (t, $J = 241.5$ Hz) 117.8 (t, $J = 5.6$ Hz), 116.5, 115.8 (t, $J = 1.6$ Hz), 111.1 (t, $J = 5.6$ Hz), 55.3; **HRMS (ESI)** : m/z calcd for $C_{23}H_{17}F_2O_3 [M+H]^+$ 379.1140, mass found 379.1142.

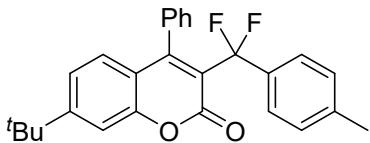
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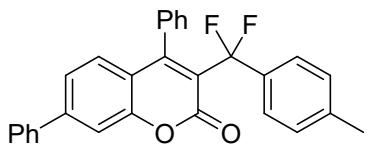
3-[(3,5-dimethylphenyl)difluoromethyl]-4-phenyl-2*H*-chromen-2-one (3l**):** Light yellow solid (95 mg, 51%); m.p. 91–93 °C; **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.60 – 7.56 (m, 1H), 7.52 (dd, *J* = 5.0, 1.6 Hz, 3H), 7.39 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.34 – 7.26 (m, 2H), 7.21 – 7.16 (m, 3H), 7.05 (s, 1H), 6.96 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 2.35 (s, 6H); **¹⁹F NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -84.0 (s, 2F); **¹³C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.5 (t, *J* = 3.0 Hz), 153.9 (t, *J* = 2.0 Hz), 153.1, 137.8, 136.4 (t, *J* = 8.6 Hz), 134.3, 132.8, 131.6 (t, *J* = 2.0 Hz), 128.7, 128.4, 128.0, 127.5 (t, *J* = 2.6 Hz), 124.3, 123.1 (t, *J* = 5.6 Hz), 121.2 (t, *J* = 26.0 Hz), 120.5, 119.2 (t, *J* = 244.6 Hz), 116.4, 21.3; **HRMS** (ESI) : *m/z* calcd for C₂₄H₁₉F₂O₂ [M+H]⁺ 377.1348, mass found 377.1356.



3-[difluoro(*p*-tolyl)methyl]-7-methyl-4-phenyl-2*H*-chromen-2-one (3n**):** White solid (67 mg, 37%); m.p. 138–140 °C; **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.48 – 7.46 (m, 3H), 7.44 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.26 – 7.24 (m, 2H), 7.21 – 7.13 (m, 3H), 6.95 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 6.78 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 2.34 (s, 3H); **¹⁹F NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -83.9 (s, 2F); **¹³C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.9 (t, *J* = 3.0 Hz), 153.9 (t, *J* = 1.6 Hz), 153.1, 144.4, 139.9 (t, *J* = 1.6 Hz), 134.6, 133.8 (t, *J* = 27.0 Hz), 128.8, 128.5, 128.3, 128.0, 127.3 (t, *J* = 2.6 Hz), 125.6, 125.4 (t, *J* = 5.0 Hz), 119.9 (t, *J* = 26.0 Hz), 119.3 (t, *J* = 244.0 Hz), 118.1, 116.5, 21.6, 21.3; **HRMS** (ESI) : *m/z* calcd for C₂₄H₁₉F₂O₂ [M+H]⁺ 377.1348, mass found 377.1348.

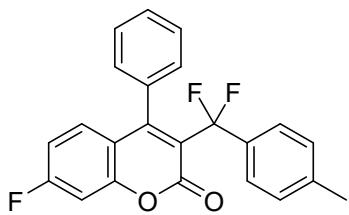


7-(tert-butyl)-3-[difluoro(*p*-tolyl)methyl]-4-phenyl-2*H*-chromen-2-one (3o**):** White solid (110 mg, 53%); m.p. 145–147 °C; **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.47 – 7.46 (m, 3H), 7.43 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.35 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.27 – 7.26 (m, 1H), 7.25–7.24 (m, 1H), 7.22 – 7.13 (m, 3H), 6.83 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 2.34 (s, 3H), 1.32 (s, 9H); **¹⁹F NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -83.8 (s, 2F); **¹³C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.9 (t, *J* = 3.0 Hz), 157.5, 153.8 (t, *J* = 2.0 Hz), 153.2, 139.9, 134.7, 134.0 (t, *J* = 27.0 Hz), 128.8, 128.3, 128.3, 128.0, 127.4 (t, *J* = 25.0 Hz), 125.4 (t, *J* = 5.6 Hz), 121.9, 120.2 (t, *J* = 26.0 Hz), 119.3 (t, *J* = 244.6 Hz), 118.1, 113.2, 35.2, 30.9, 21.3; **HRMS** (ESI) : *m/z* calcd for C₂₇H₂₅F₂O₂ [M+H]⁺ 419.1817, mass found 419.1823.

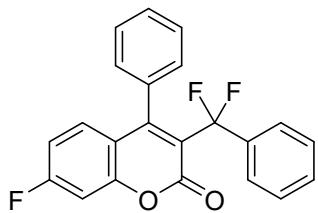


3-[difluoro(*p*-tolyl)methyl]-4,7-diphenyl-2*H*-chromen-2-one (3p**):** White solid (100 mg, 46%); m.p. 157–159 °C; **¹H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.59 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.56 (s, 1H), 7.49 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 4H), 7.46 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 3H), 7.42 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 7.30 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 7.18 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 6.96 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 2.35 (s, 3H); **¹⁹F NMR** (565 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -84.0 (s, 2F); **¹³C NMR** (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.7 (t, *J* = 3.0 Hz), 153.7, 153.5, 145.9, 140.0, 138.7, 134.5, 133.9 (t, *J* = 27.0 Hz), 129.2, 129.1, 128.8, 128.8, 128.5, 128.1, 127.5, 127.2, 125.5 (t, *J* = 5.2 Hz),

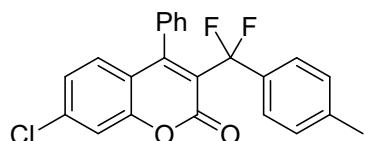
123.1, 120.8 (t, $J = 26.2$ Hz), 119.5, 119.3 (t, $J = 244.6$ Hz), 114.5, 21.3; **HRMS** (ESI) : m/z calcd for $C_{29}H_{20}F_2NaO_2 [M+Na]^+$ 461.1324, mass found 461.1318.



3-[difluoro(*p*-tolyl)methyl]-7-fluoro-4-phenyl-2*H*-chromen-2-one (3q**):** White solid (102 mg, 54%); m.p. 134-136 °C; **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.51 – 7.47 (m, 3H), 7.43 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.28 – 7.26 (m, 1H), 7.25 – 7.24 (m, 1H), 7.18 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.06 (dd, $J = 8.6, 2.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.95 – 6.82 (m, 2H), 2.35 (s, 3H); **¹⁹F NMR** (376 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ -84.1(s, 2F), -103.4(s, F); **¹³C NMR** (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 164.9(d, $J = 254.0$ Hz), 157.2 (t, $J = 3.6$ Hz), 154.2 (d, $J = 13.0$ Hz), 153.4, 140.1 (t, $J = 2.0$ Hz), 134.1, 133.5 (t, $J = 26.4$ Hz), 130.8 (d, $J = 10.0$ Hz), 128.8, 128.6, 128.2, 127.3 (t, $J = 2.6$ Hz), 125.4 (t, $J = 5.6$ Hz), 120.1 (td, $J = 26.6, 3.0$ Hz), 119.1 (t, $J = 245.0$ Hz), 117.3 (d, $J = 2.0$ Hz), 112.5 (d, $J = 23.0$ Hz), 104.0 (d, $J = 26.0$ Hz), 21.3; **HRMS** (ESI) : m/z calcd for $C_{23}H_{16}F_3O_2 [M+H]^+$ 381.1097, mass found 381.1099.

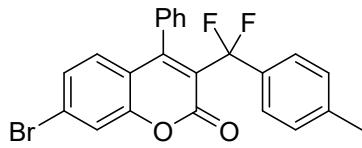


3-[difluoro(phenyl)methyl]-7-fluoro-4-phenyl-2*H*-chromen-2-one (3r**):** White solid (130 mg, 71%); m.p. 124-126 °C; **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.71 – 7.61 (m, 4H), 7.61 – 7.52 (m, 1H), 7.53 – 7.50 (m, 3H), 7.35 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.33 – 7.25 (m, 2H), 7.16 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 6.93 (dd, $J = 8.2, 1.6$ Hz, 1H); **¹⁹F NMR** (376 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ -84.8 (s, 2F), -103.4 (s, F); **¹³C NMR** (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 157.6 (t, $J = 3.6$ Hz), 154.9 (t, $J = 2.0$ Hz), 153.2, 140.3 (t, $J = 27.6$ Hz), 134.1, 133.3, 132.0 (q, $J = 33.0$ Hz), 129.0, 128.8, 128.3, 127.4 (t, $J = 2.6$ Hz), 126.2 (t, $J = 5.6$ Hz), 125.3 (q, $J = 4.0$ Hz), 124.6, 120.4, 120.4 (t, $J = 26.0$ Hz), 118.5 (t, $J = 246.0$ Hz), 116.6; **HRMS** (ESI) : m/z calcd for $C_{22}H_{14}F_3O_2 [M+H]^+$ 367.0940, mass found 367.0940.

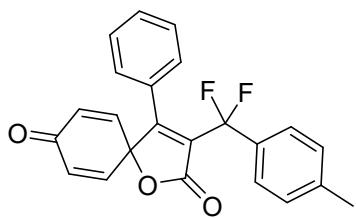


7-chloro-3-[difluoro(*p*-tolyl)methyl]-4-phenyl-2*H*-chromen-2-one (3s**):** Light yellow solid (85 mg, 43%); m.p. 161-163 °C; **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.51 – 7.47 (m, 3H), 7.43 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.35 (d, $J = 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.26 – 7.23 (m, 2H), 7.18 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.10 (dd, $J = 8.6, 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.83 (d, $J = 8.6$ Hz, 1H), 2.35 (s, 3H); **¹⁹F NMR** (376 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ -84.3 (s, 2F); **¹³C NMR** (150 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 156.9 (t, $J = 3.0$ Hz), 153.3, 153.2, 140.1, 138.8, 134.0, 133.6 (t, $J = 26.2$ Hz), 129.7, 128.8, 128.6, 128.2, 127.3 (t, $J = 2.2$ Hz), 125.4 (t, $J = 5.2$ Hz), 124.9, 121.2 (t, $J = 26.2$ Hz), 119.2, 119.1 (t, $J = 244.6$ Hz), 116.6, 21.2; **HRMS** (ESI) : m/z calcd for $C_{23}H_{15}ClF_2NaO_2 [M+Na]^+$ 419.0621, mass found 419.0626.

(¹H NMR and ¹⁹F NMR: 400Hz, ¹³C NMR: 600Hz)



7-bromo-3-[difluoro(*p*-tolyl)methyl]-4-phenyl-2*H*-chromen-2-one (3t**):** Yellow solid (99 mg, 45%); m.p. 148–150 °C; **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.51 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (d, *J* = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 2H), 7.43 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.27 – 7.23 (m, 3H), 7.18 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.76 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 2.35 (s, 3H); **¹⁹F NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -84.3 (s, 2F); **¹³C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.9 (t, *J* = 3.0 Hz), 153.2 (t, *J* = 2.0 Hz), 153.1, 140.1 (t, *J* = 1.6 Hz), 133.9, 133.4 (t, *J* = 26.6 Hz), 129.8, 128.8, 128.6, 128.2, 127.8, 127.3 (t, *J* = 3.0 Hz), 127.0, 125.4 (t, *J* = 5.6 Hz), 121.3 (t, *J* = 27.0 Hz), 119.9, 119.6, 119.1 (t, *J* = 245.0 Hz), 21.3; **HRMS (ESI)** : *m/z* calcd for C₂₃H₁₅BrF₂NaO₂ [M+Na]⁺ 463.0116, mass found 463.0119.

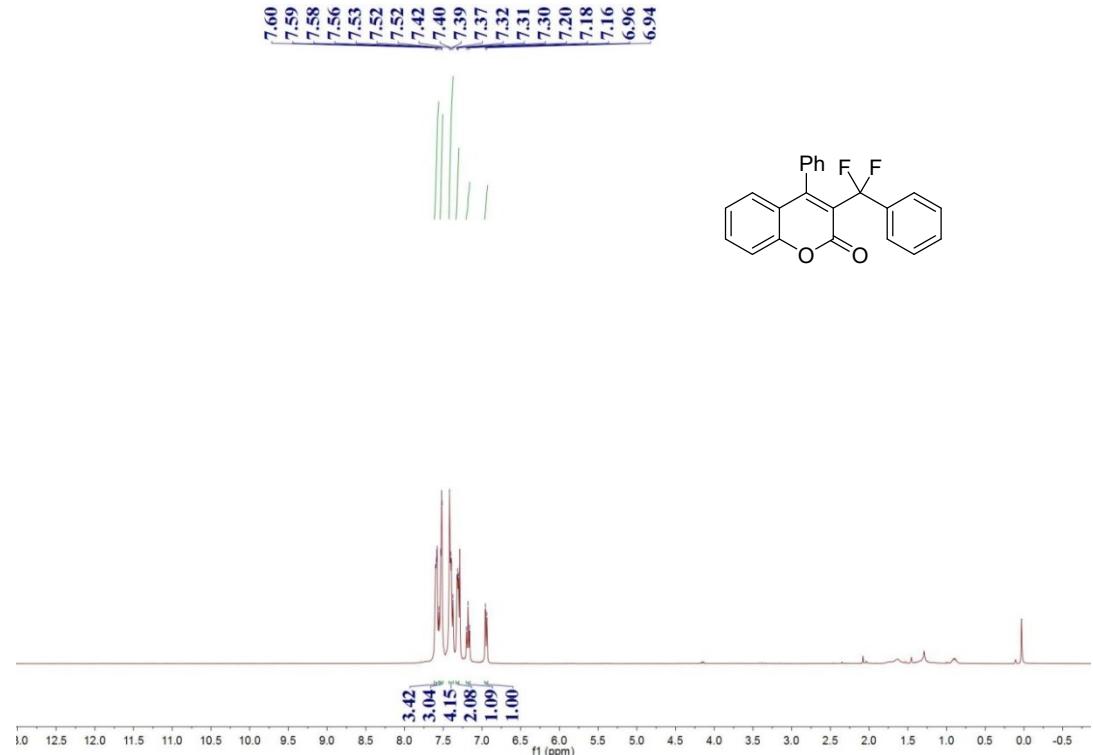


3-[difluoro(*p*-tolyl)methyl]-4-phenyl-1-oxaspiro[4.5]deca-3,6,9-triene-2,8-dione (3v**):** White solid (80 mg, 40%); m.p. 231–233 °C; **¹H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.42 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 3H), 7.38 – 7.35 (m, 2H), 7.23 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.09 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 6.64 (d, *J* = 10.2 Hz, 2H), 6.34 (d, *J* = 10.2 Hz, 2H), 2.40 (s, 3H); **¹⁹F NMR** (565 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -90.8. (s, 2F); **¹³C NMR** (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 183.2, 166.7 (t, *J* = 3.0 Hz), 164.3 (t, *J* = 2.2 Hz), 141.1, 140.9, 132.4, 132.0 (t, *J* = 27.0 Hz), 130.1, 129.3, 128.4, 128.1, 127.9, 127.4, 125.2 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz), 117.0 (t, *J* = 243.8 Hz), 82.3, 21.3; **HRMS (ESI)** : *m/z* calcd for C₂₃H₁₆F₂NaO₃ [M+Na]⁺ 401.0960, mass found 401.0960.

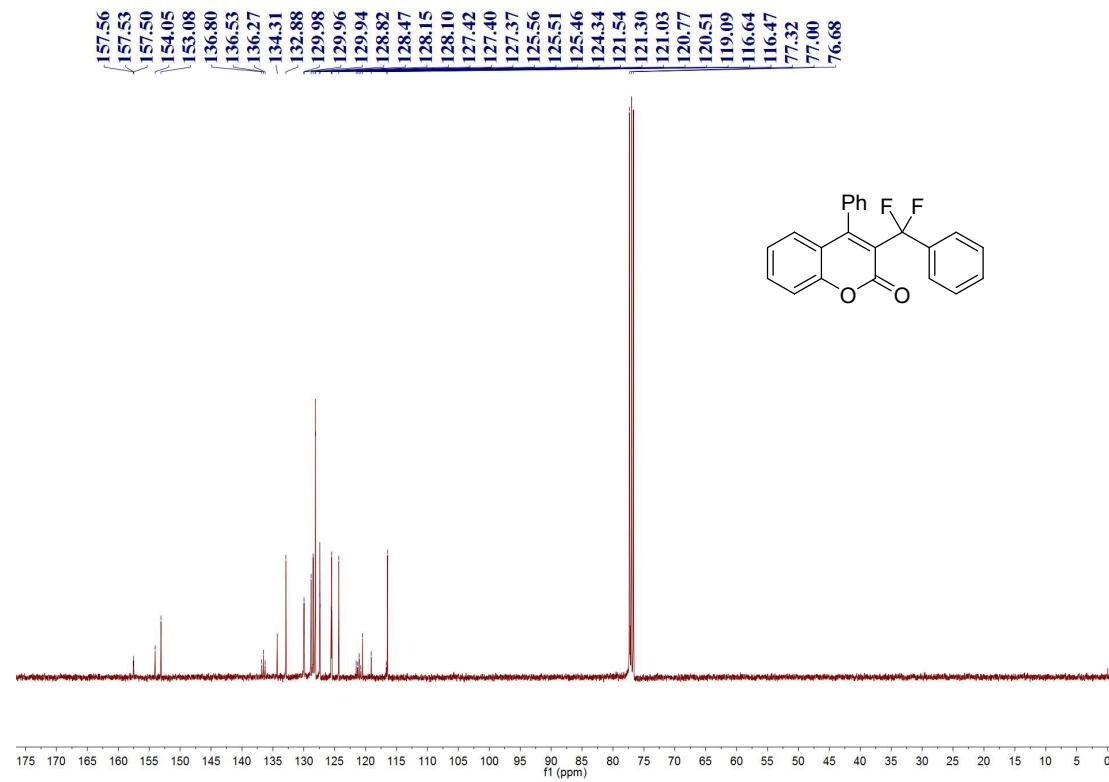
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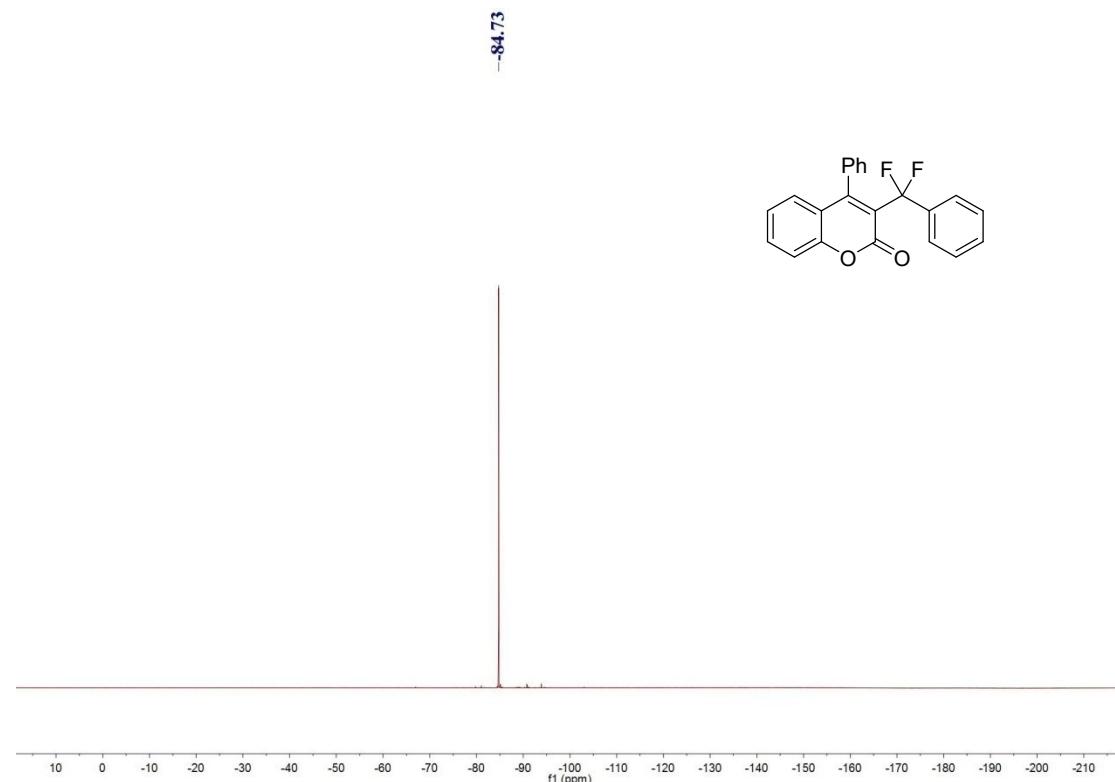
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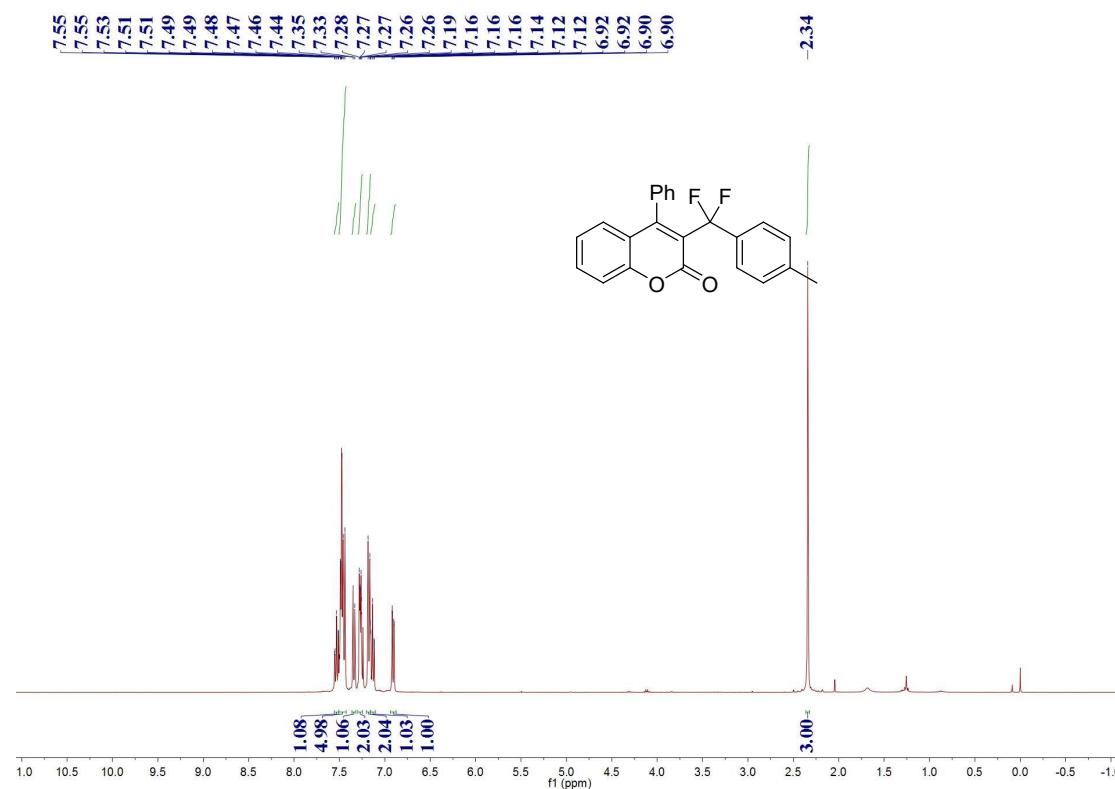


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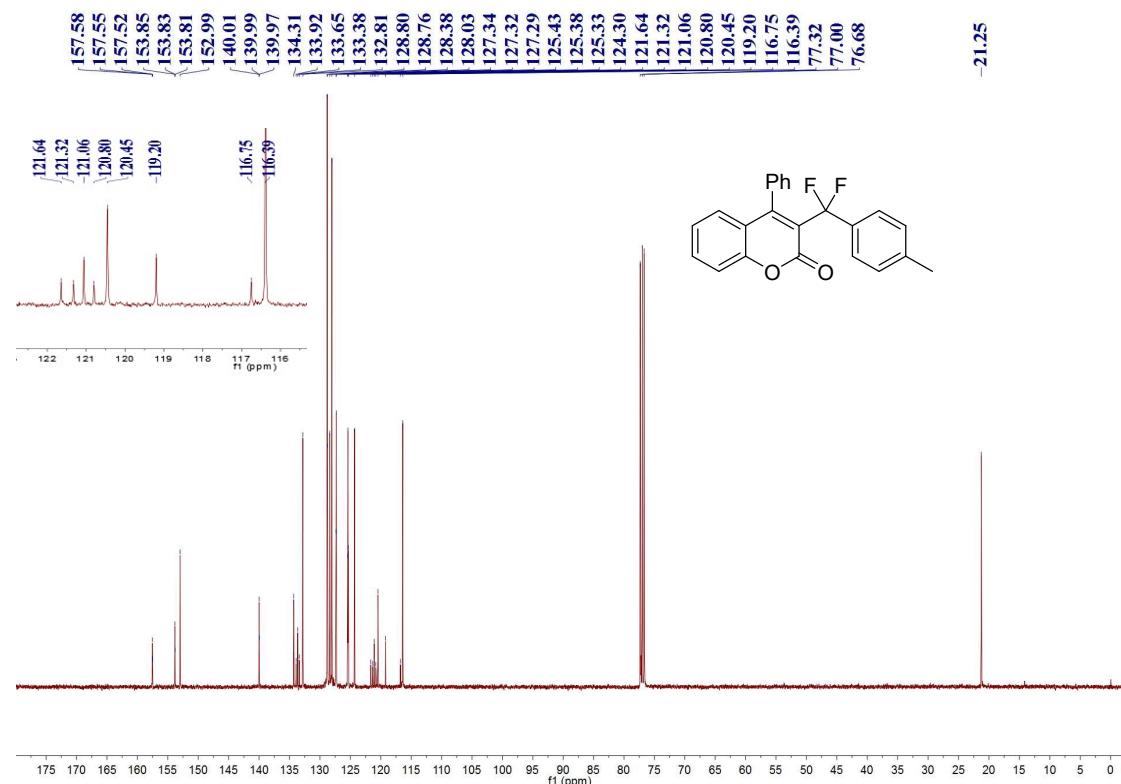


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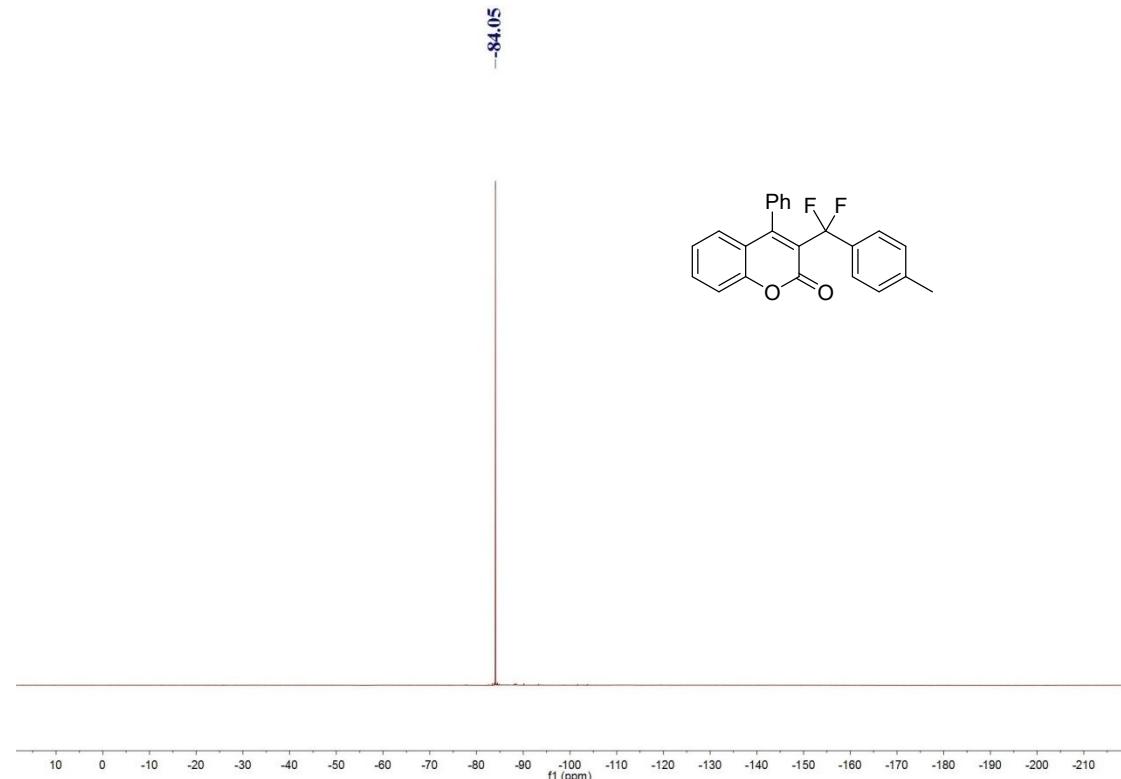
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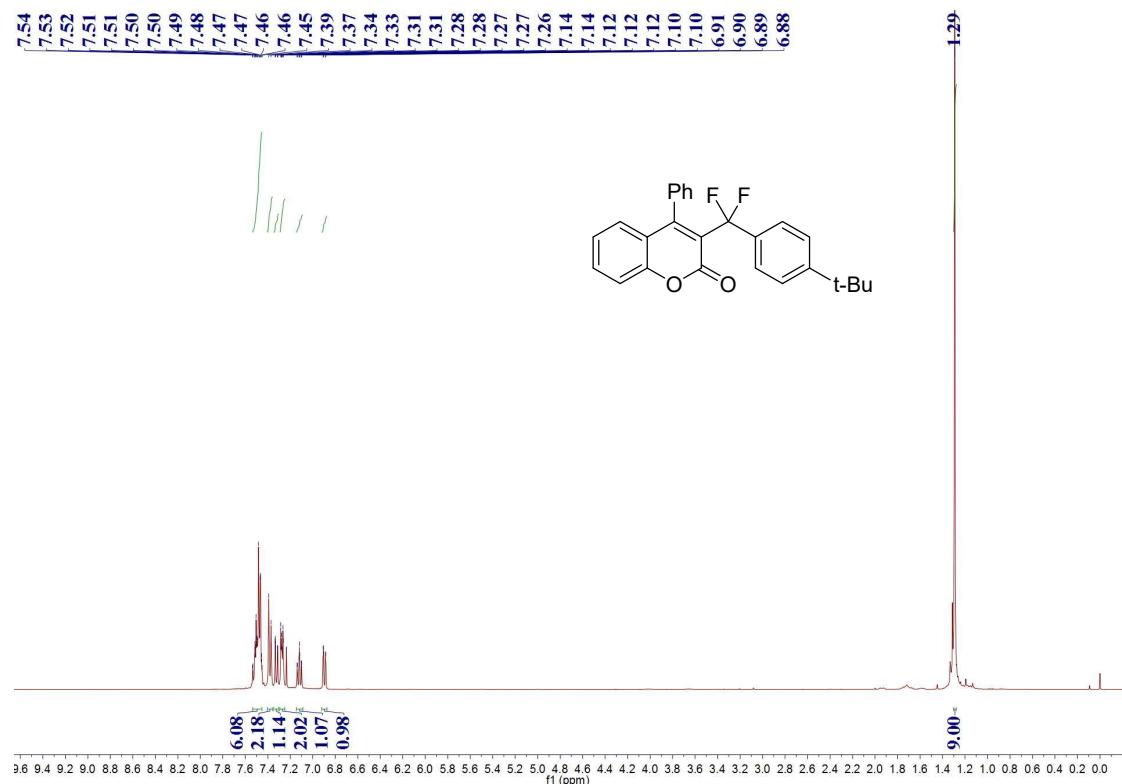


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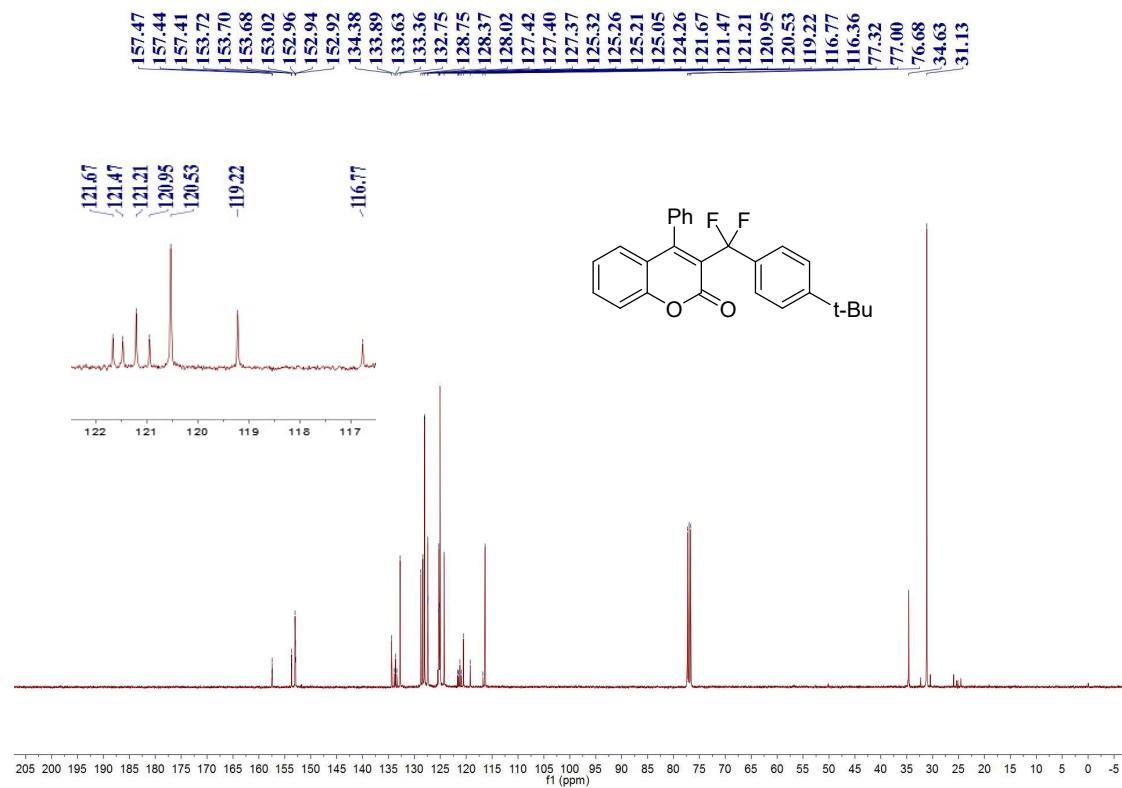


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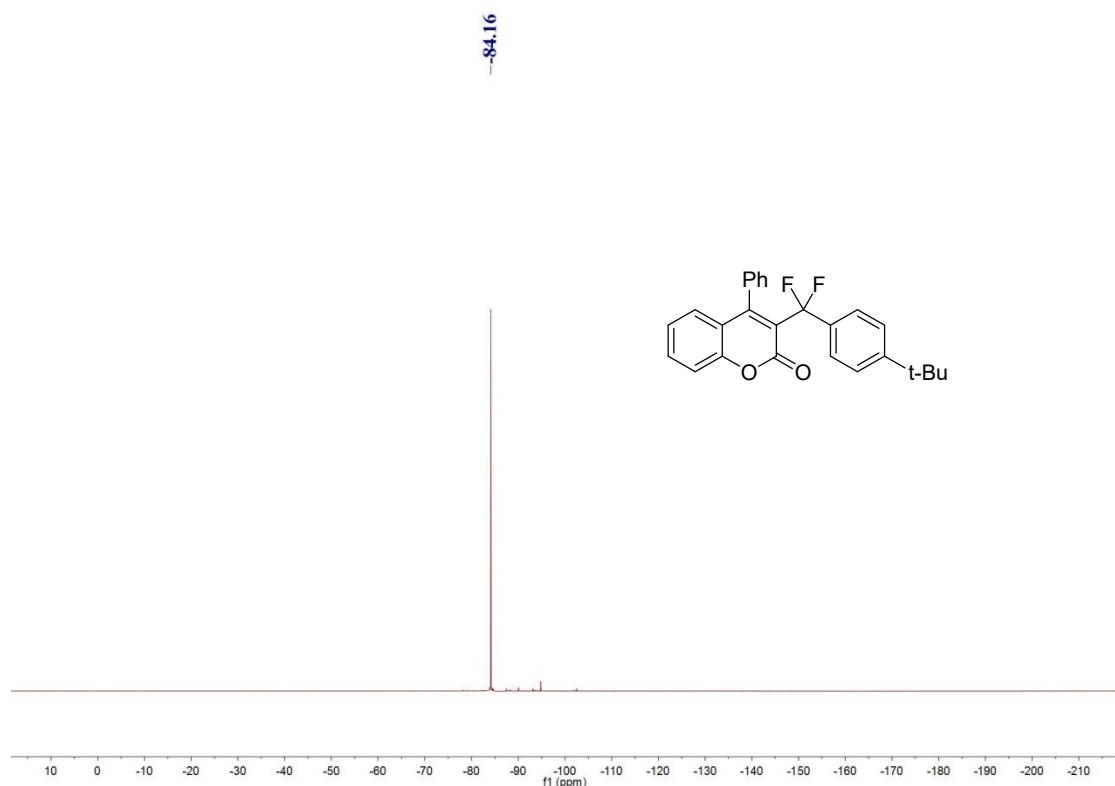
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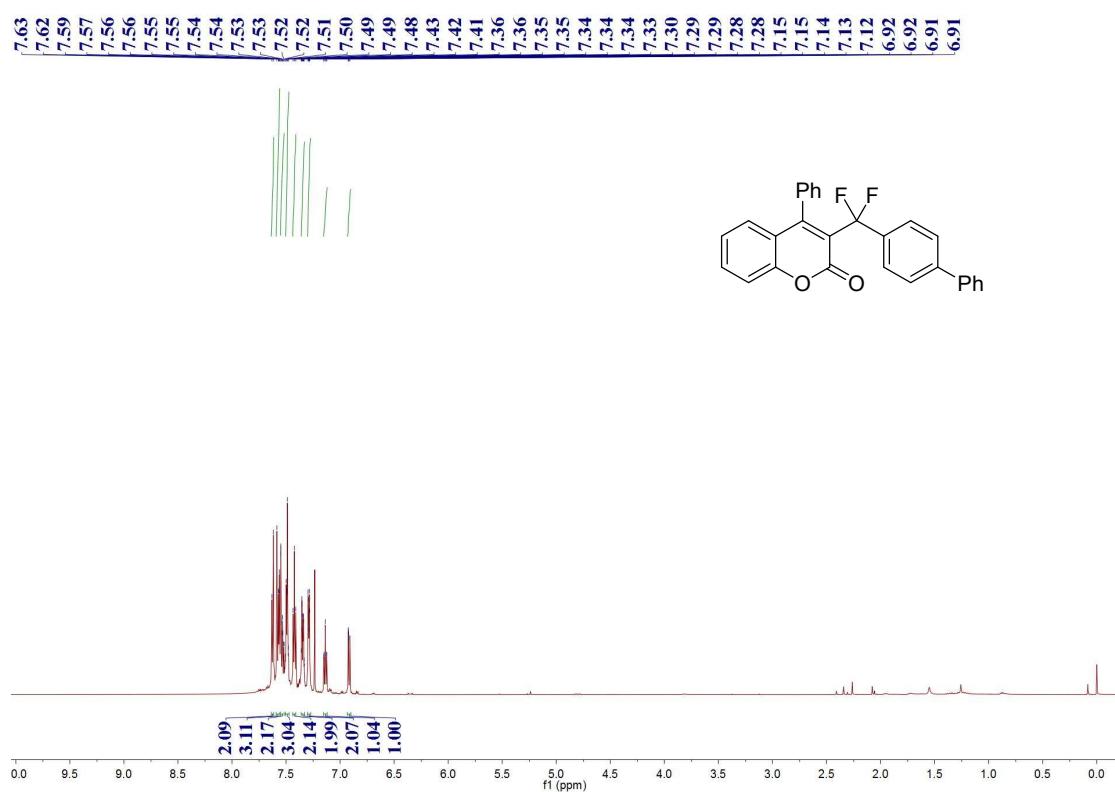


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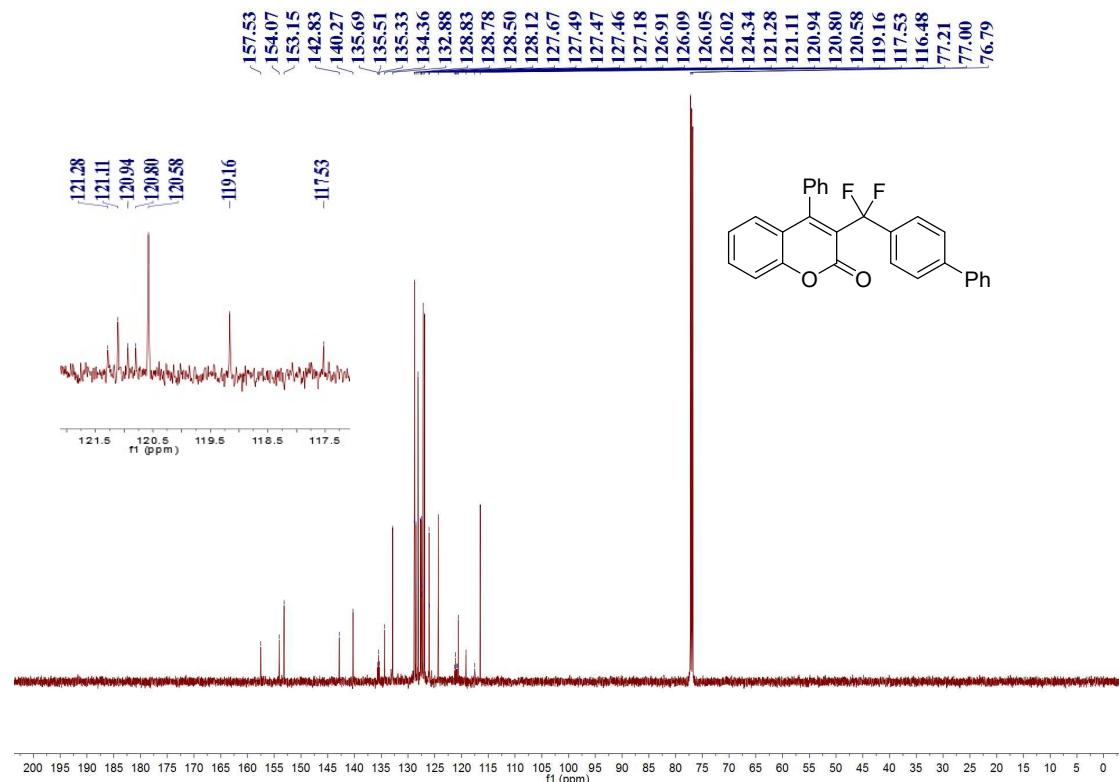


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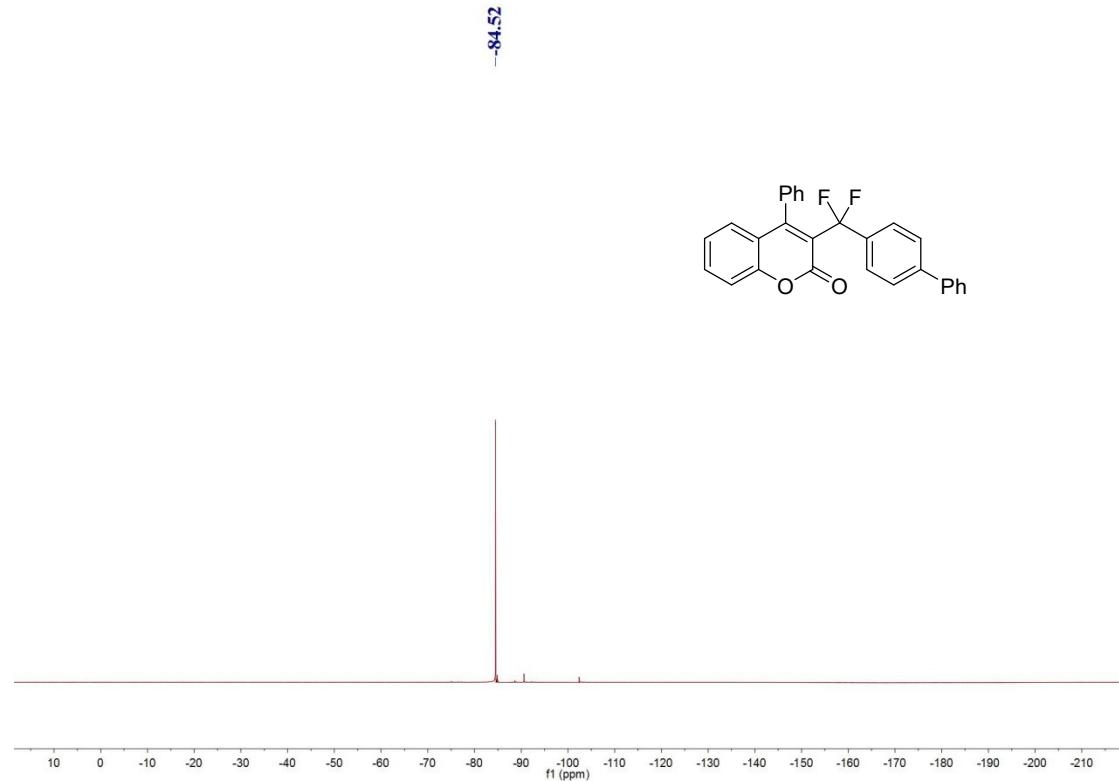
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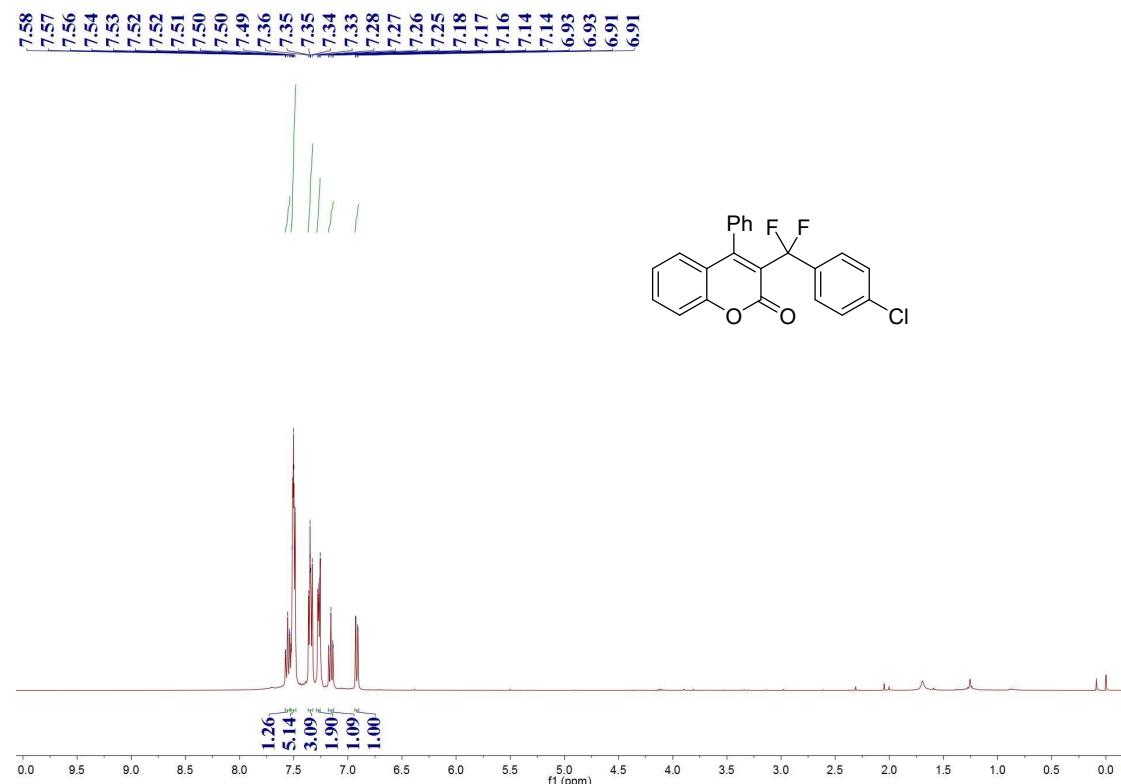


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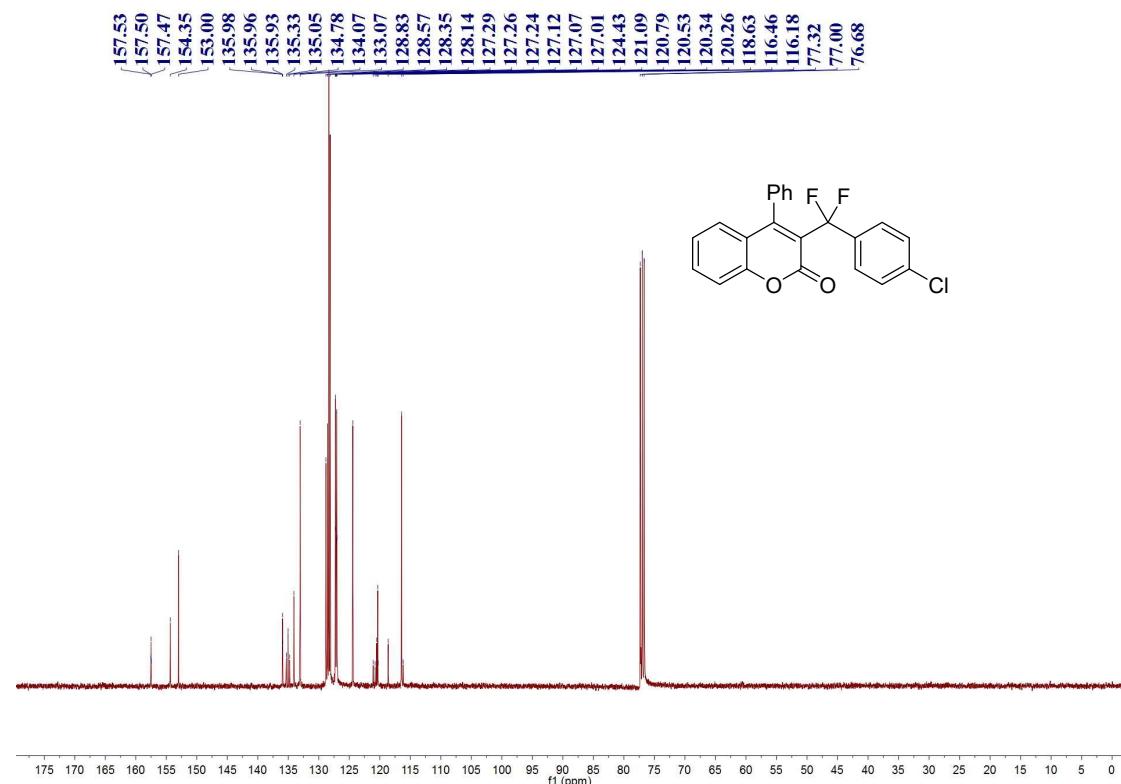


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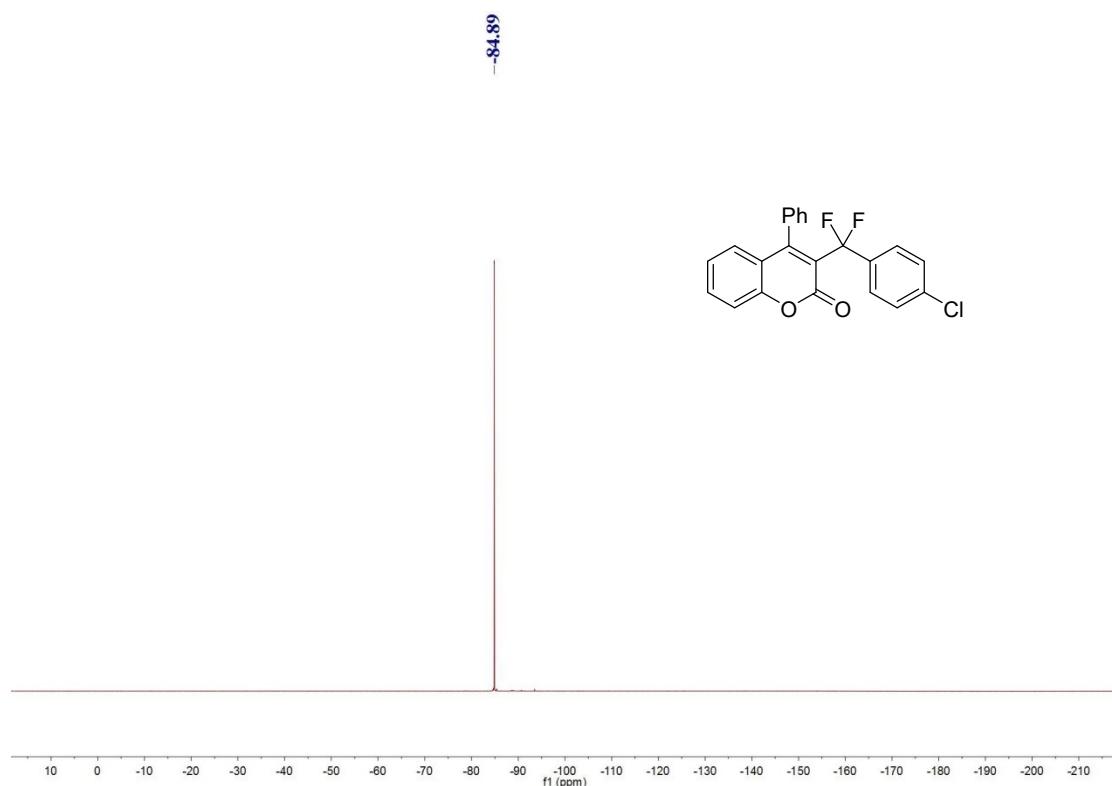
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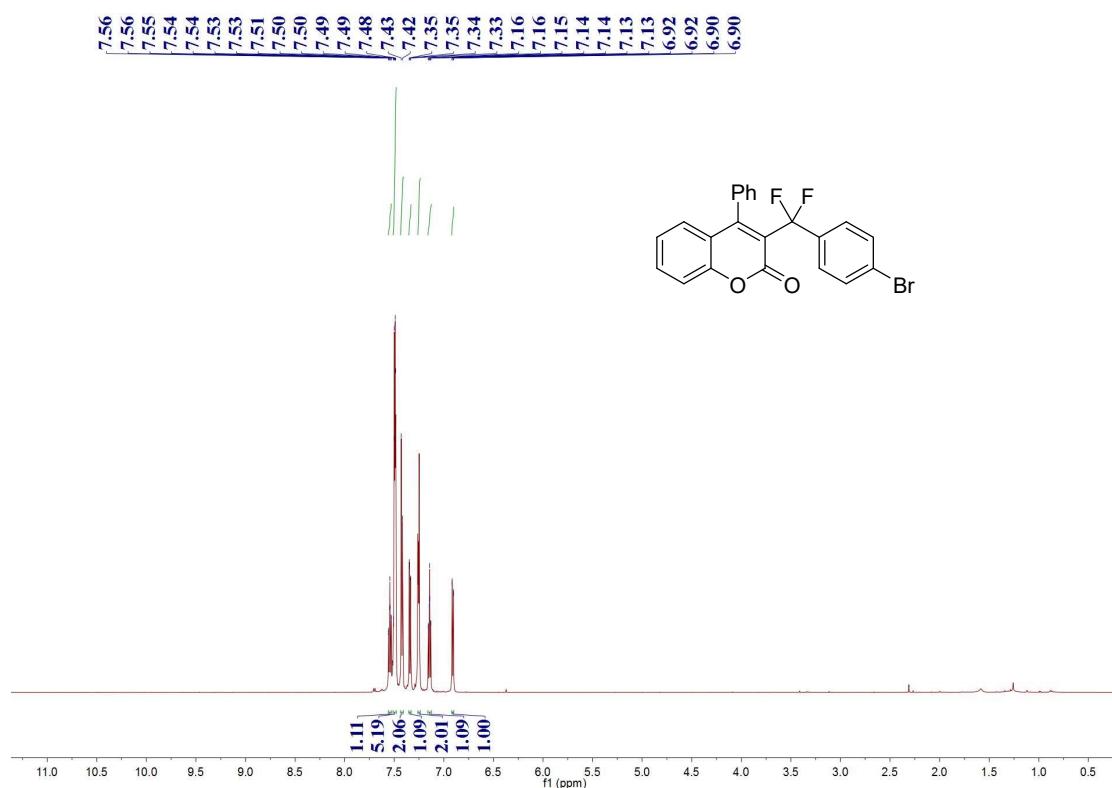


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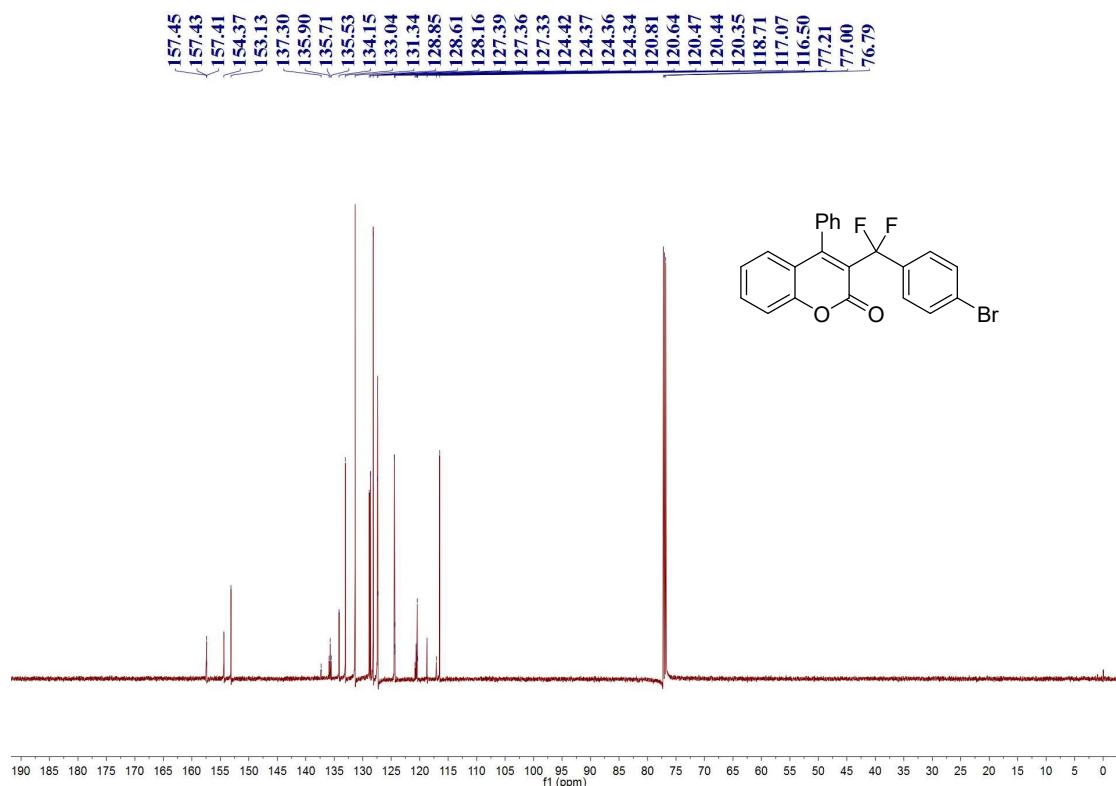


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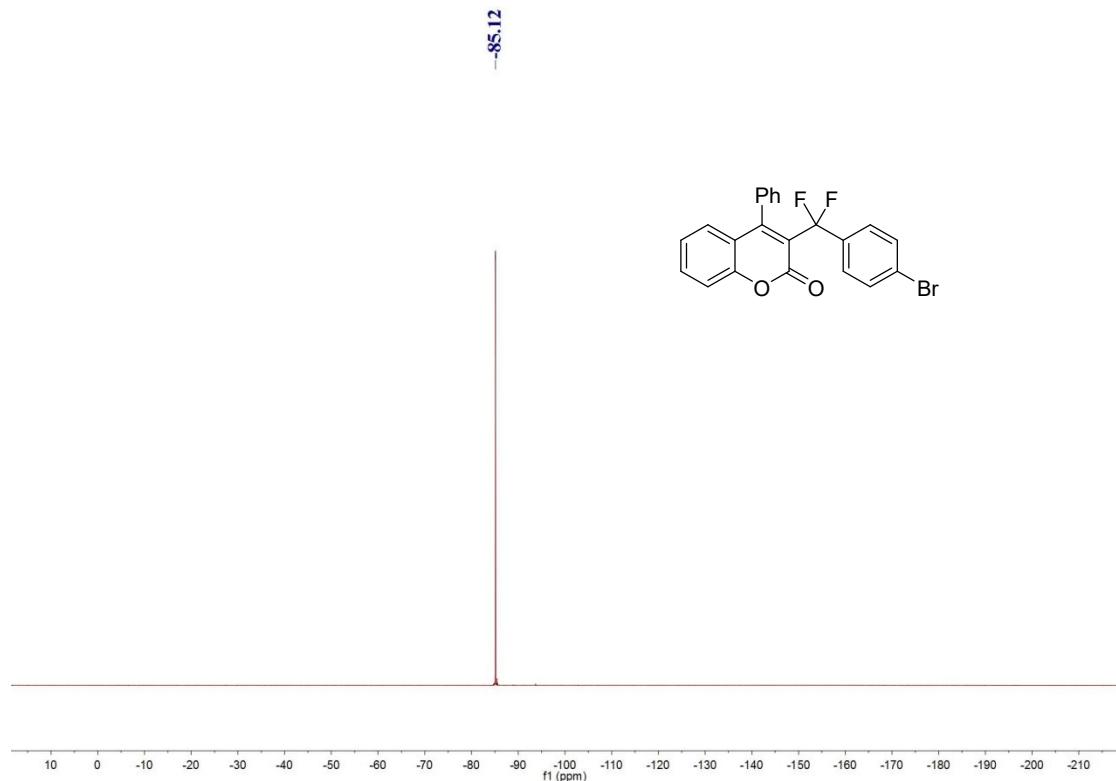
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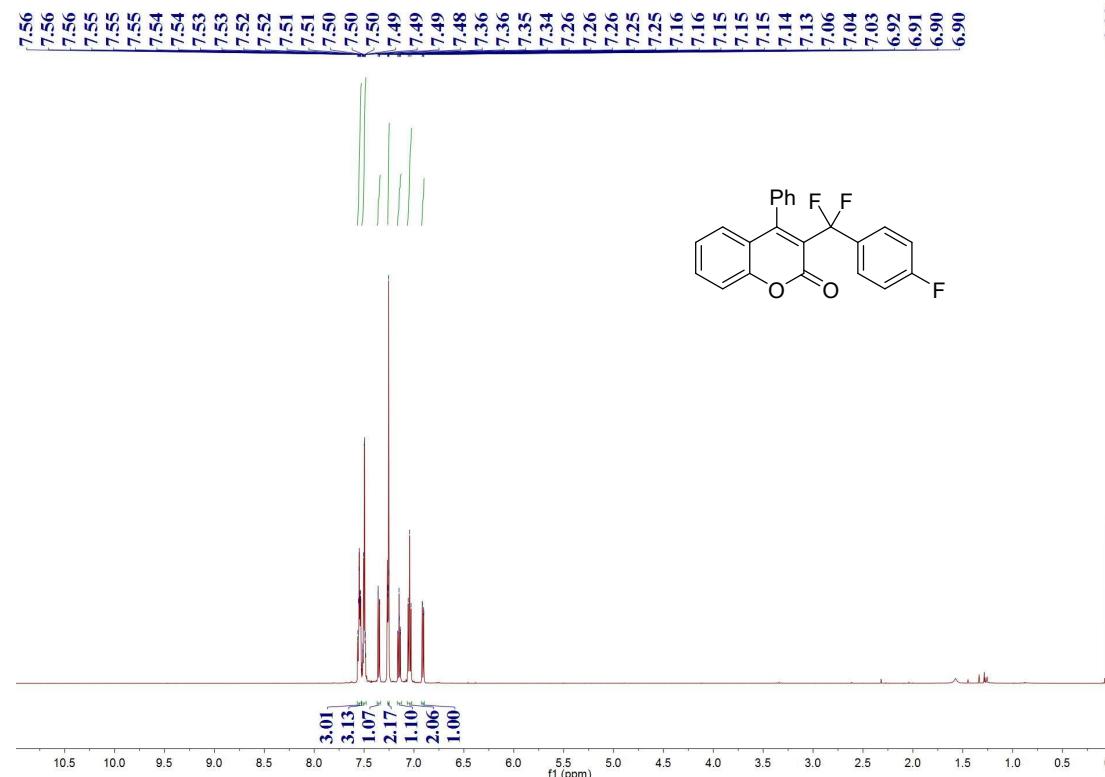


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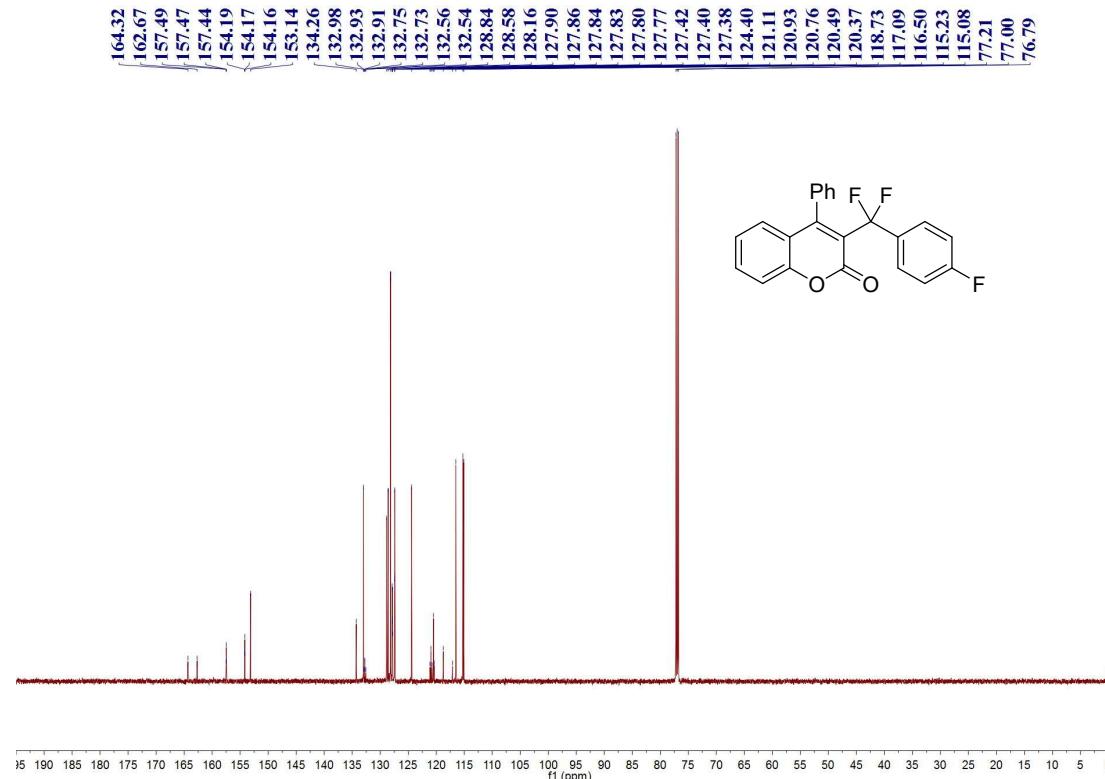


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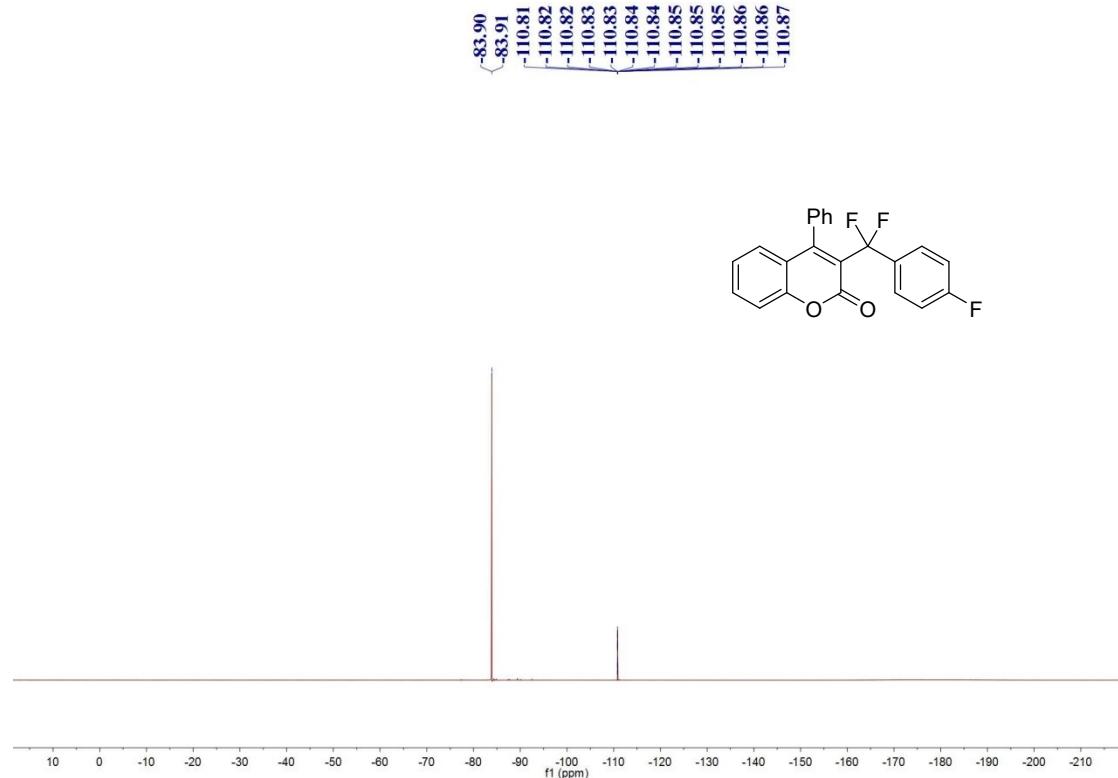
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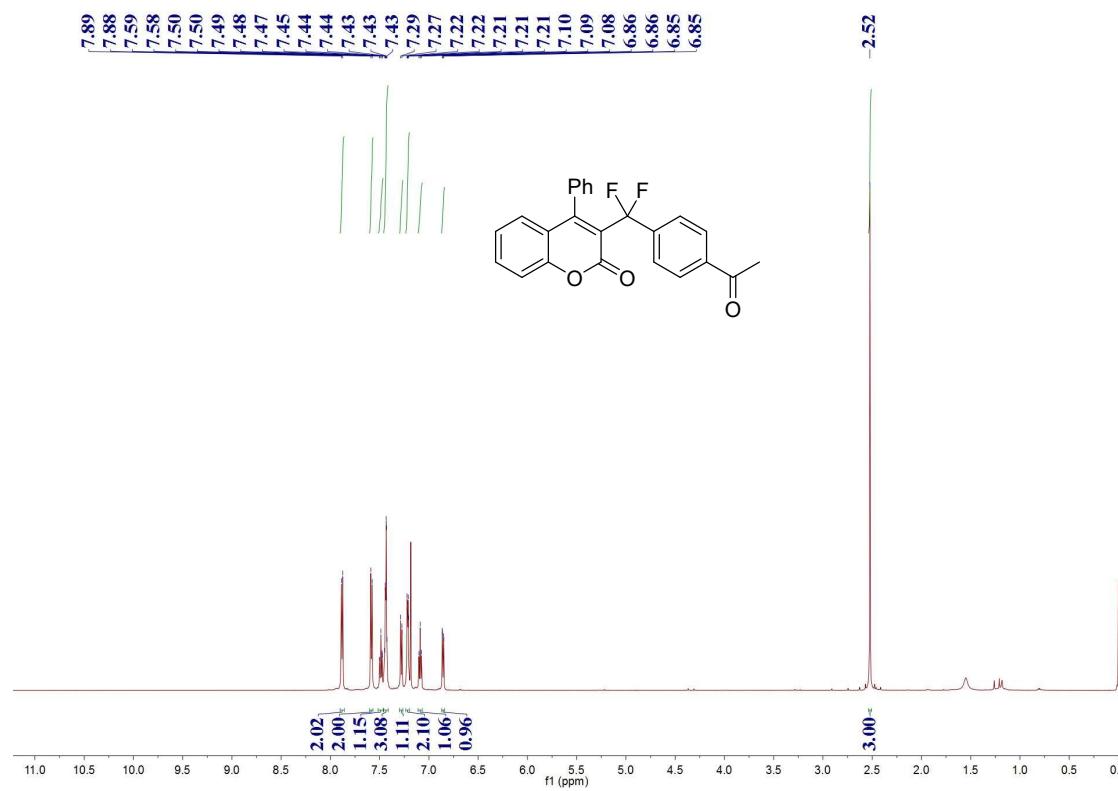


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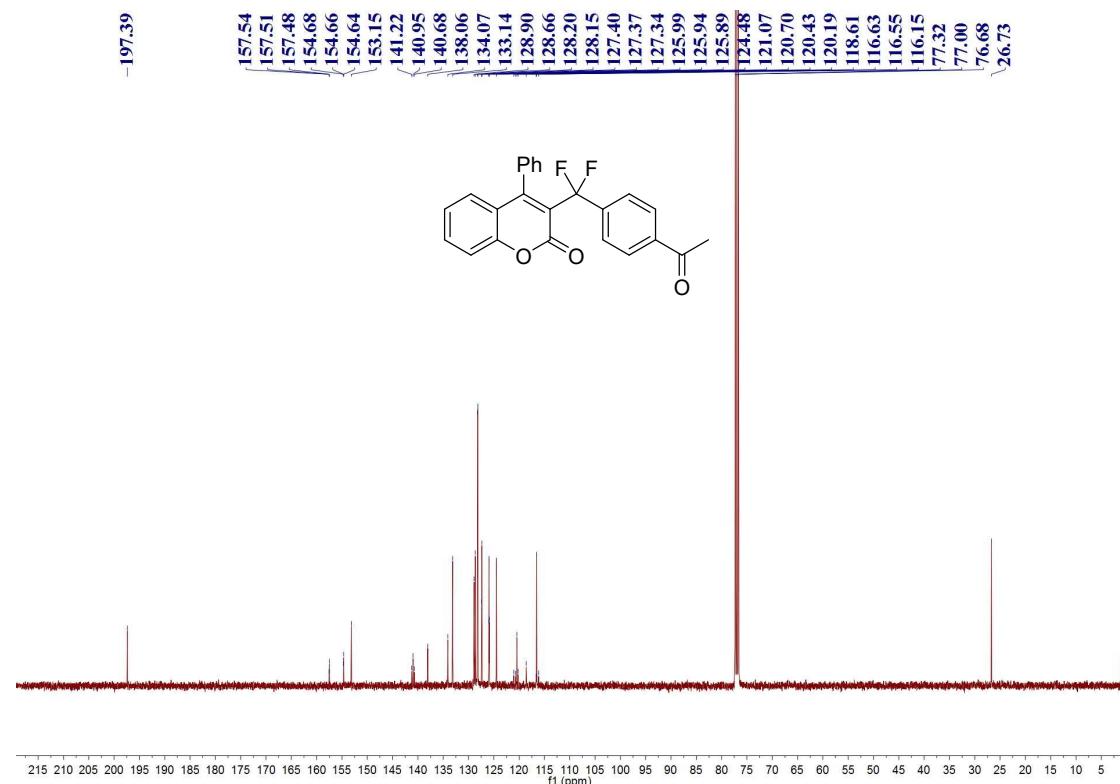


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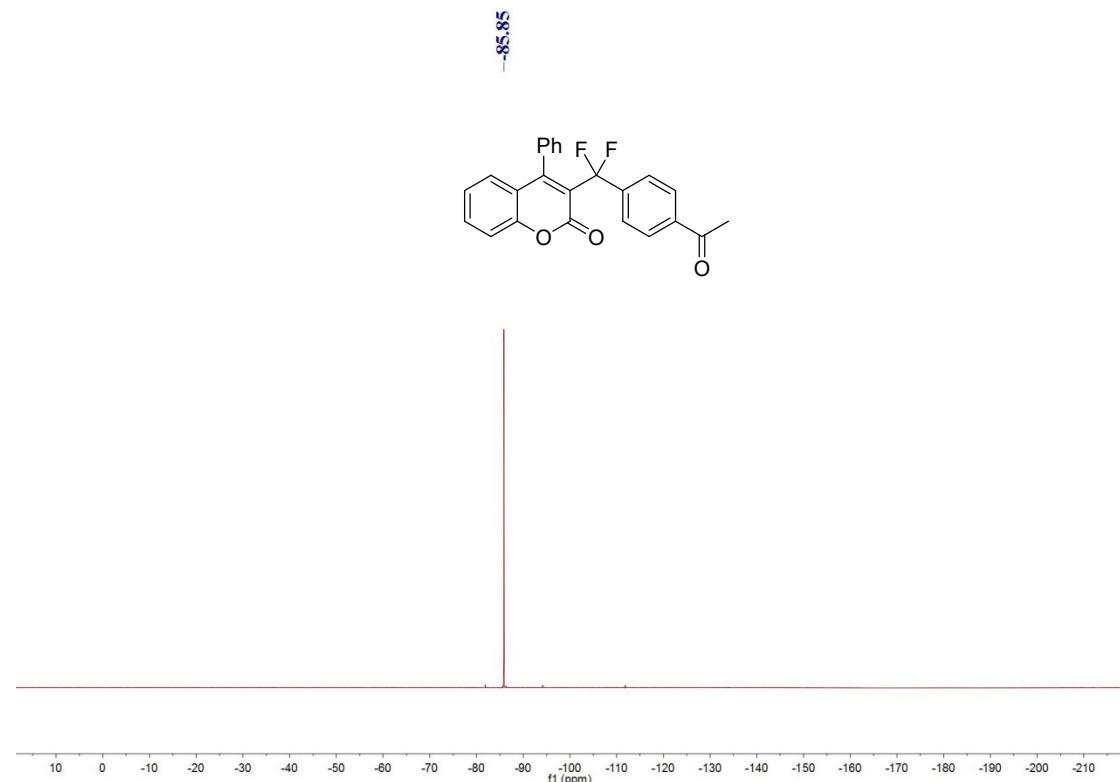
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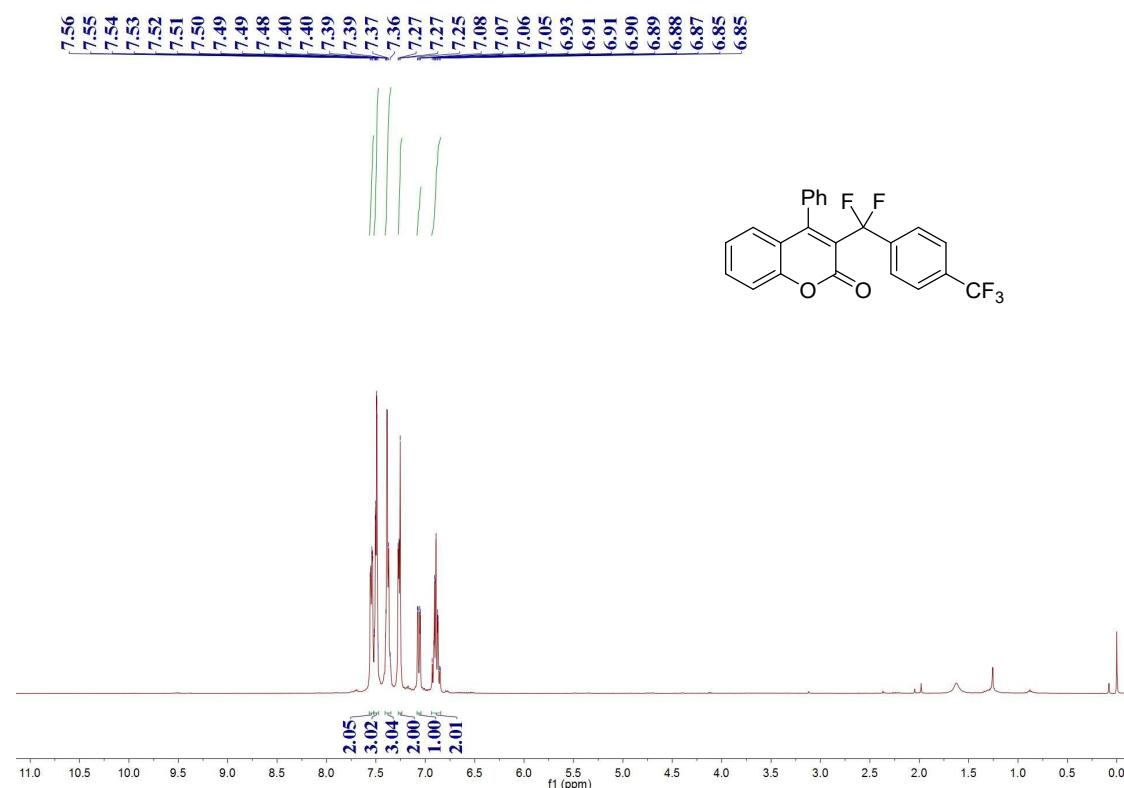


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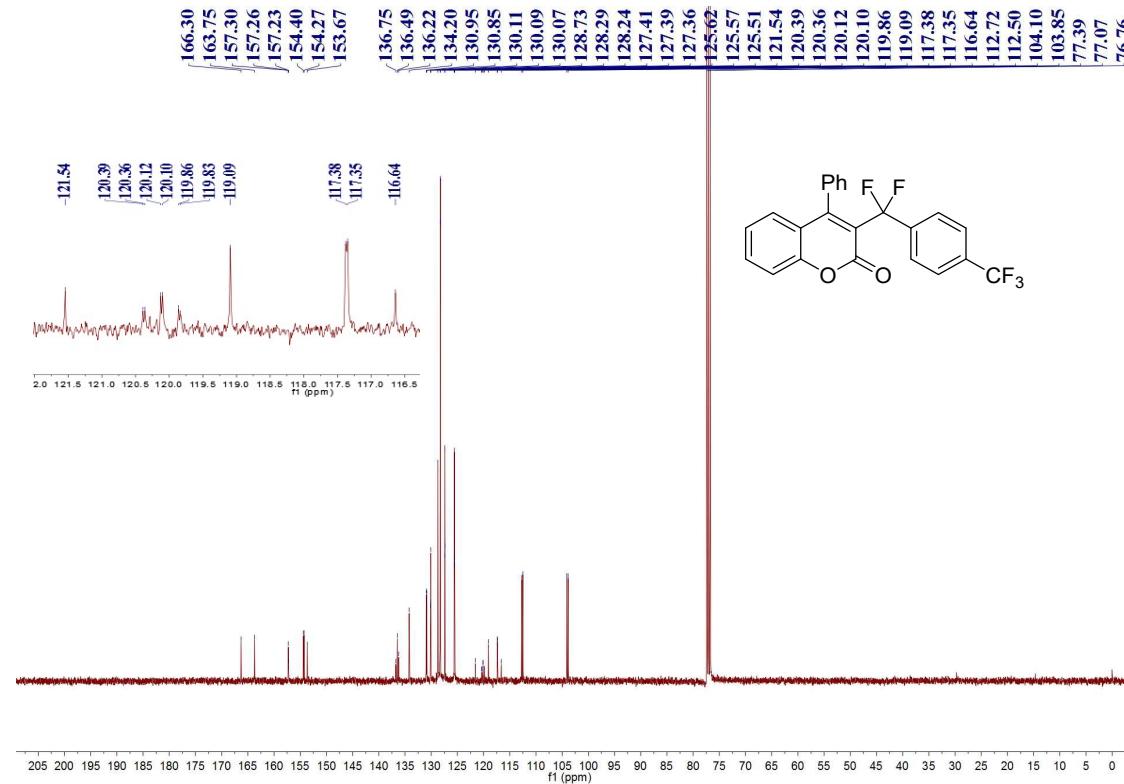


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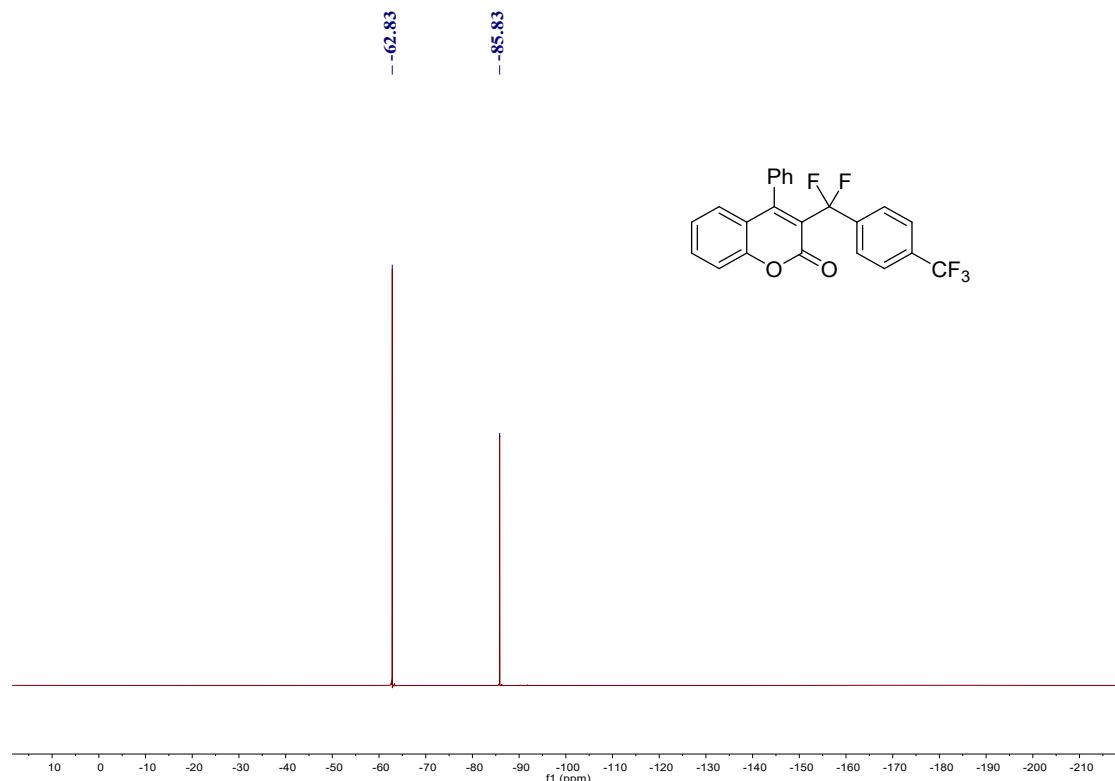
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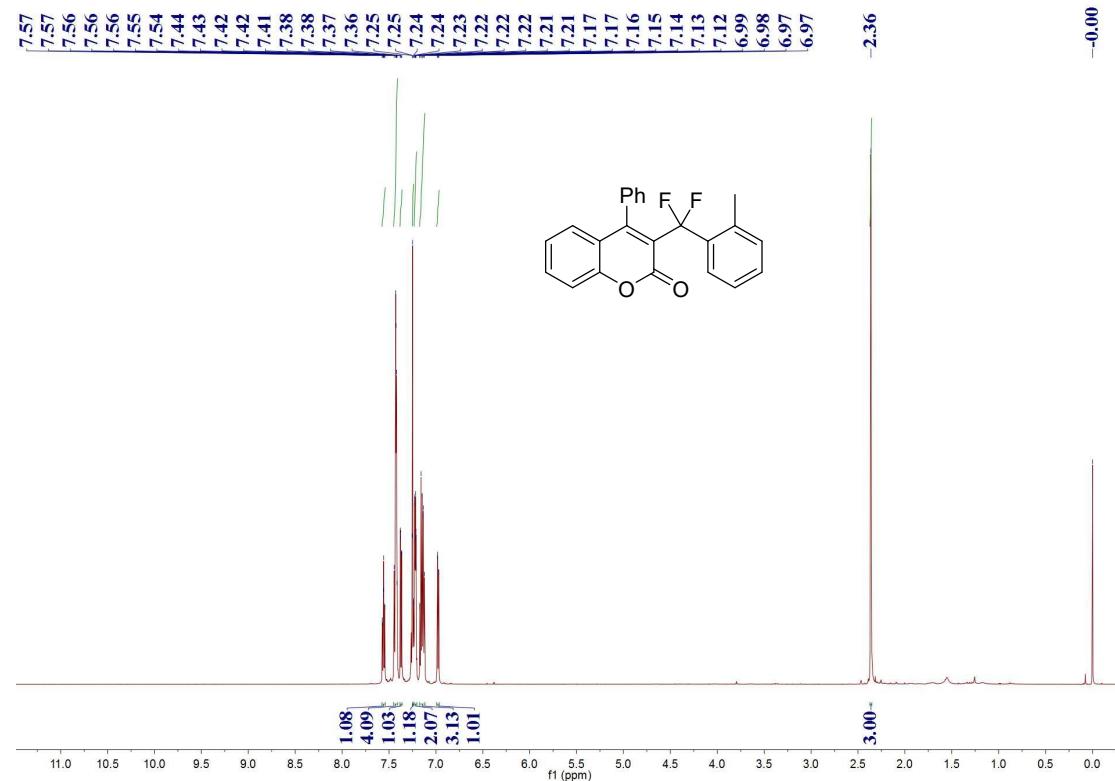


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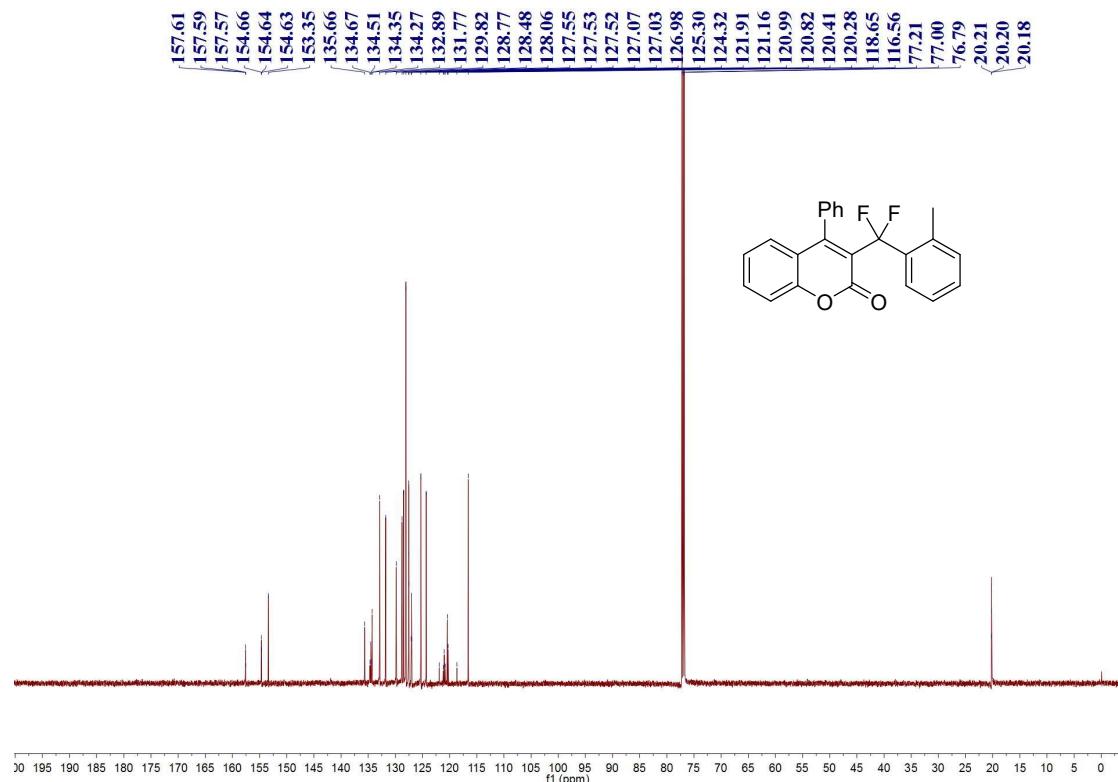


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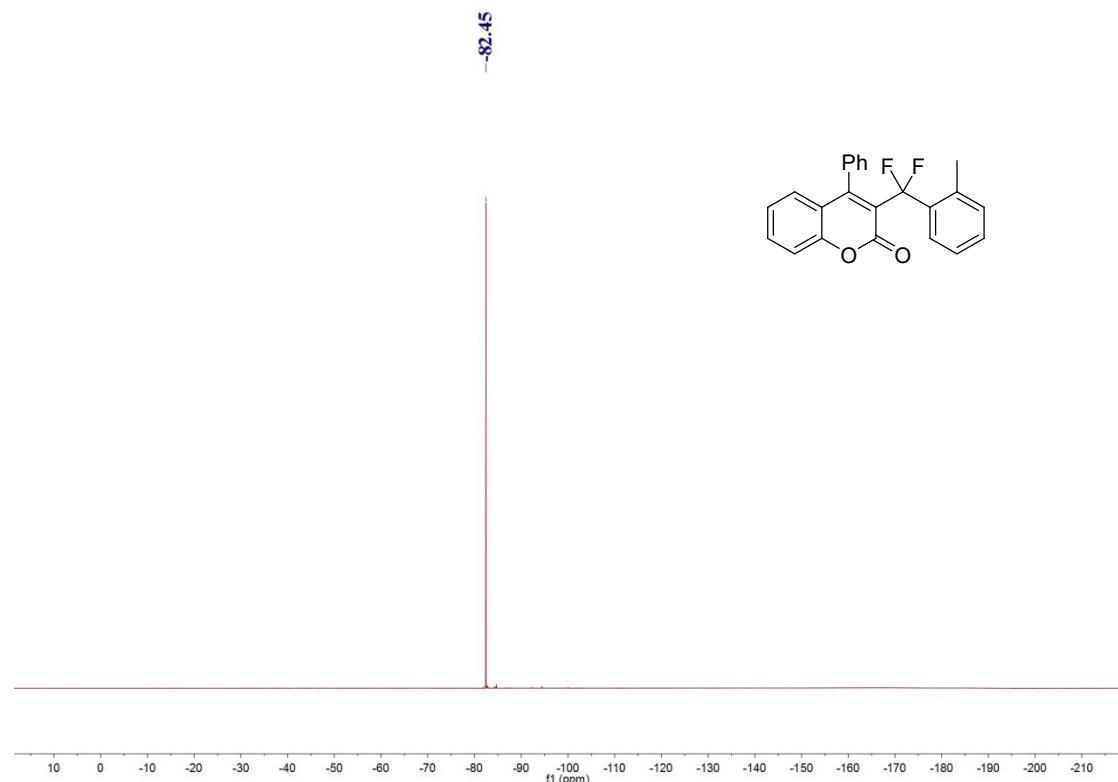
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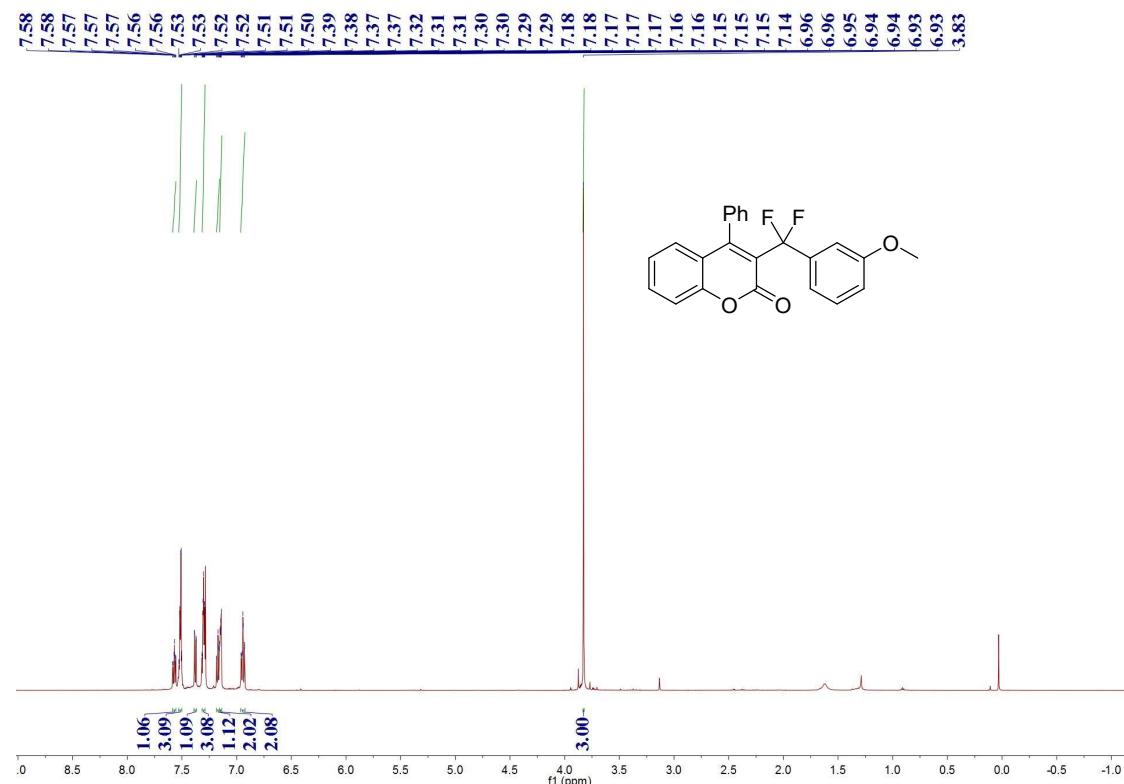


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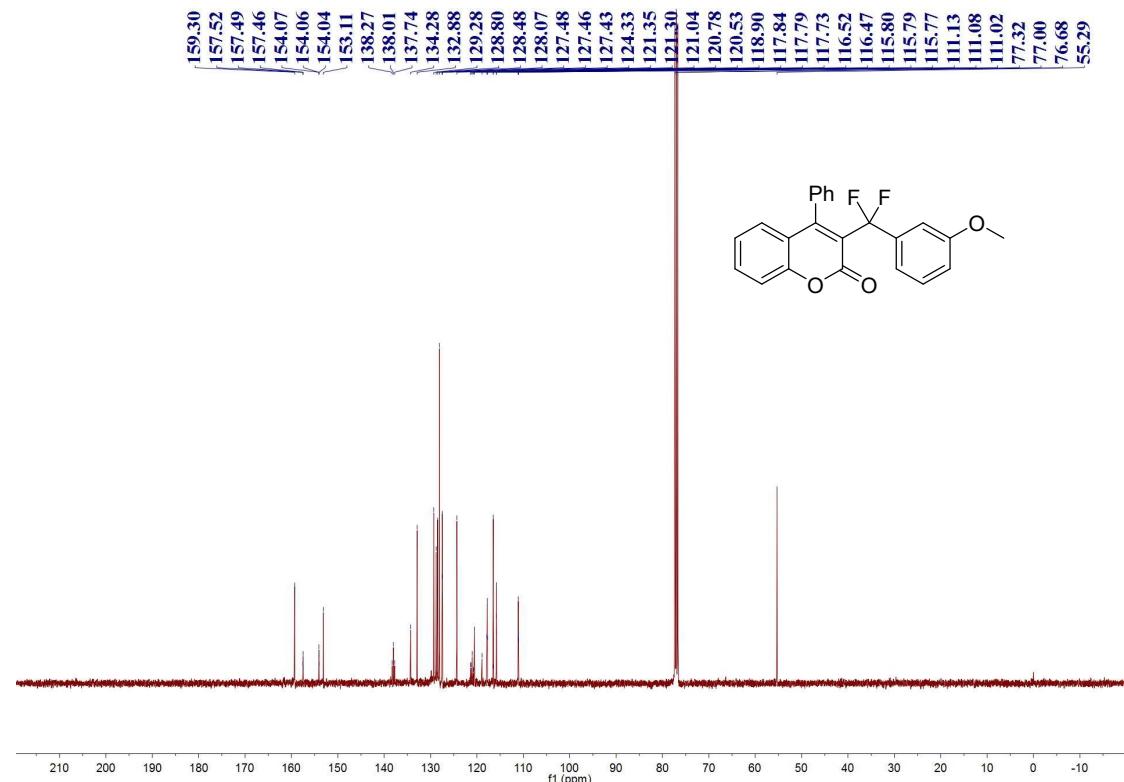


3-(difluoro(3-methoxyphenyl)methyl)-4-phenyl-2H-chromen-2-one (3k):

¹H NMR of **3k** in CDCl₃



¹³C NMR of **3k** in CDCl₃

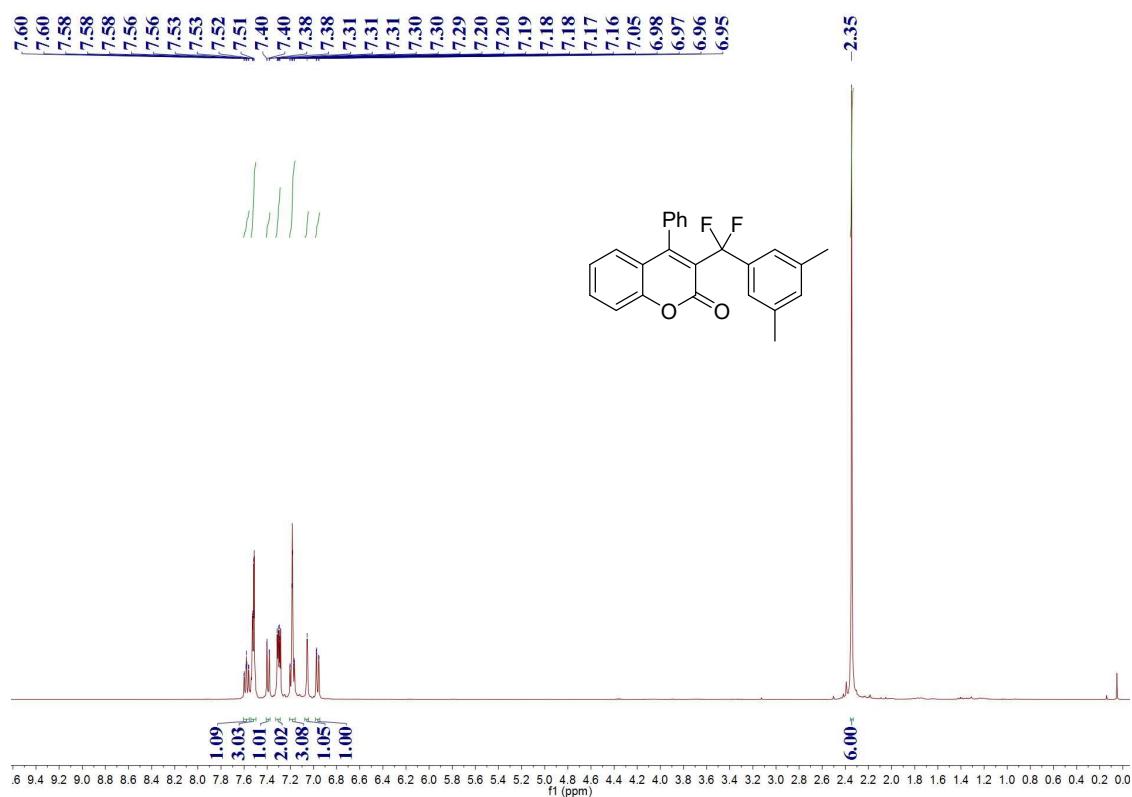


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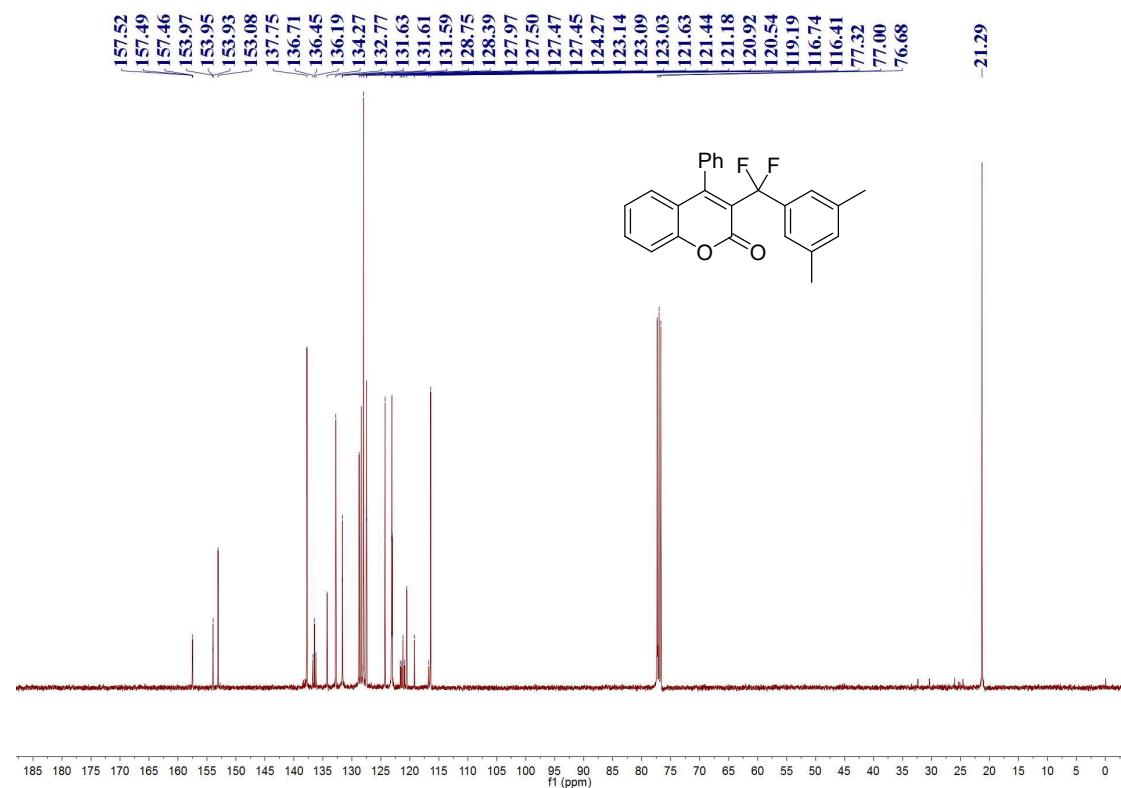


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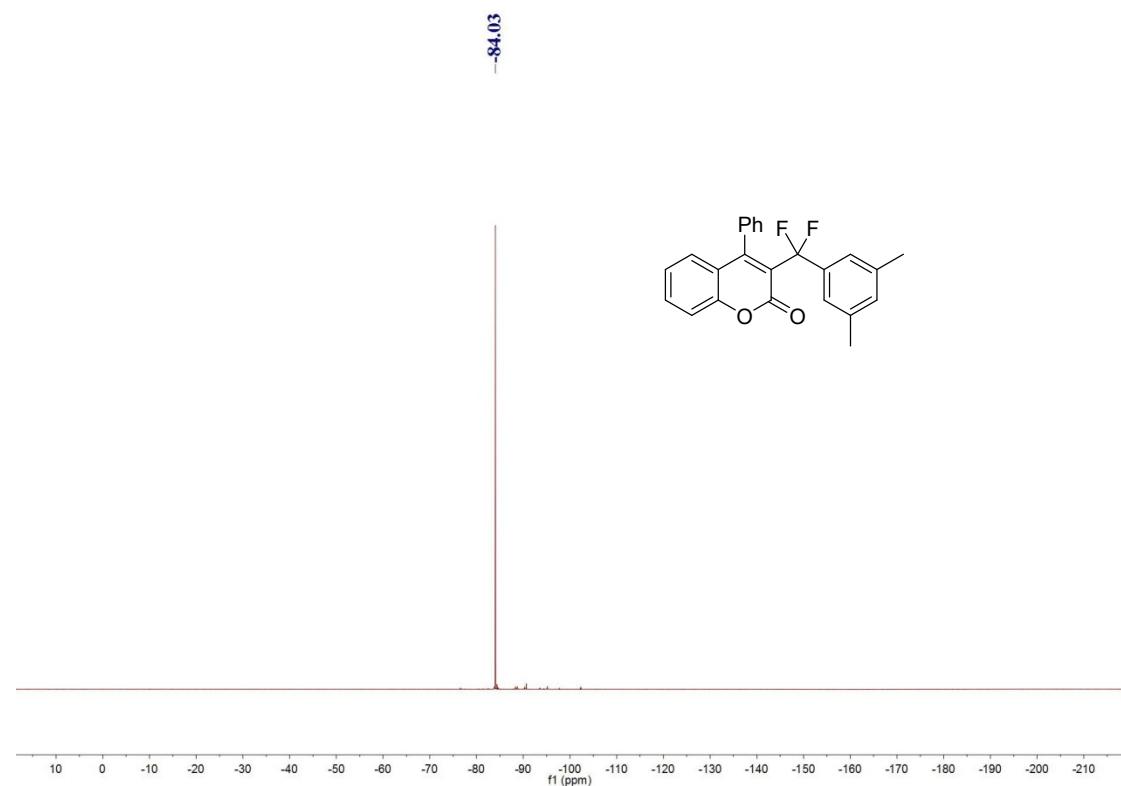
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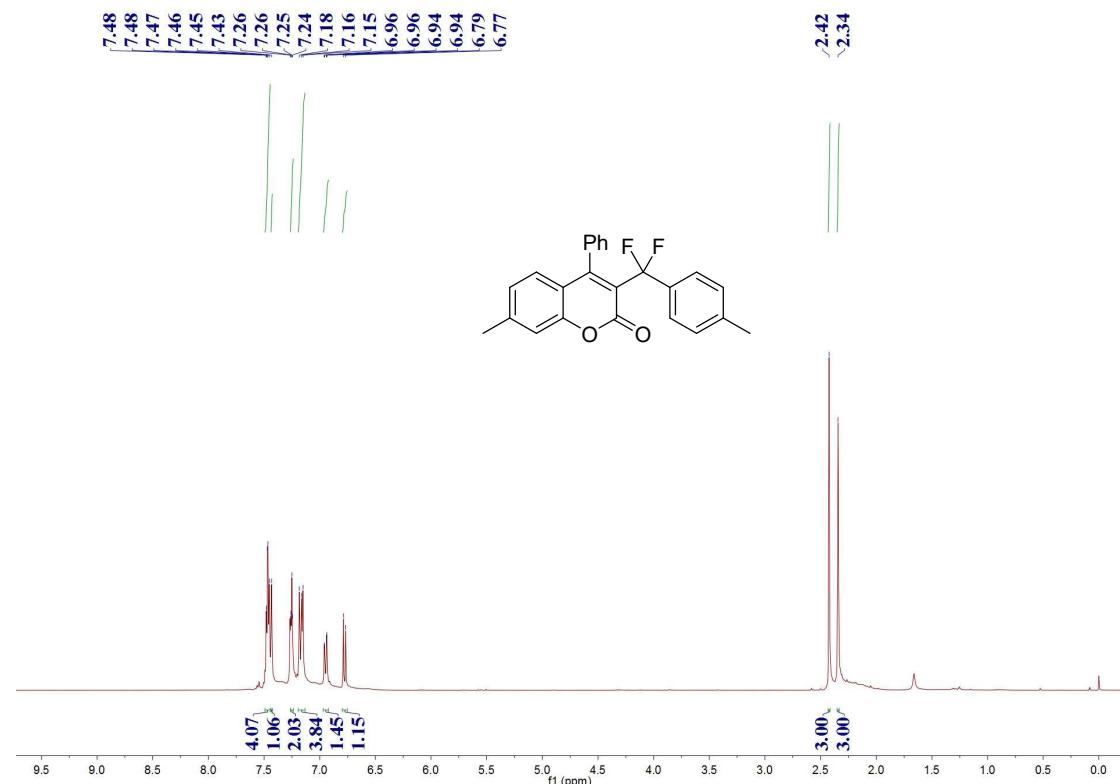


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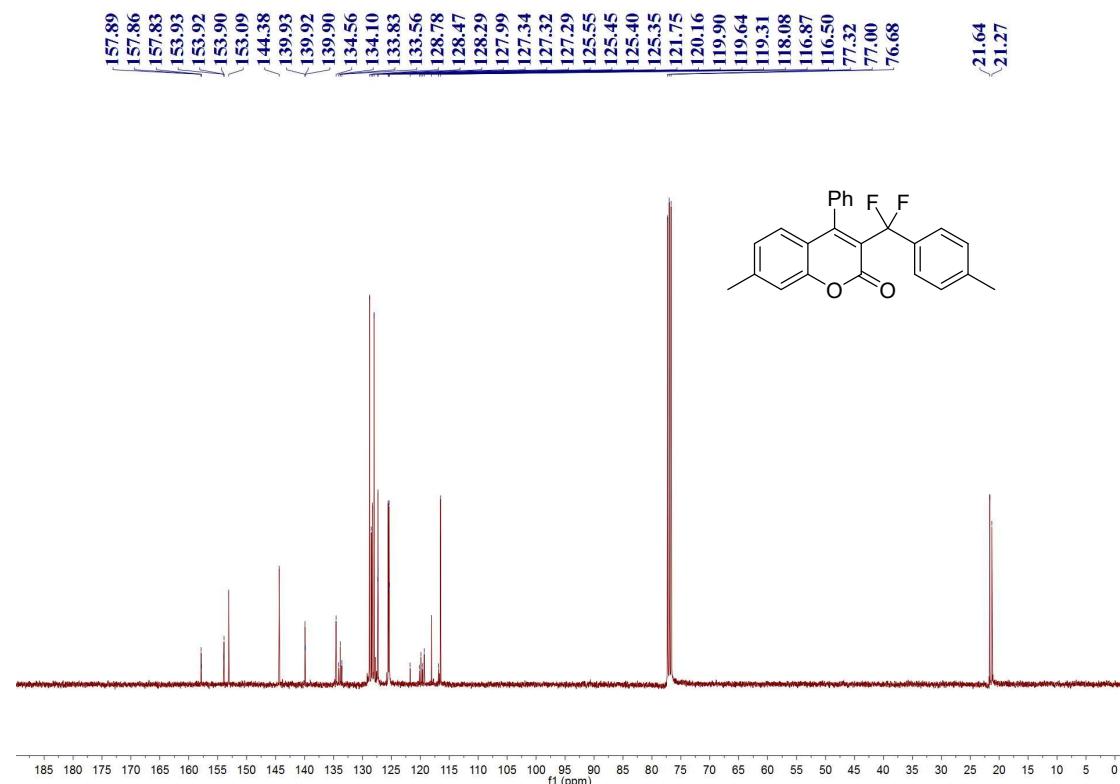


3-(difluoro(p-tolyl)methyl)-7-methyl-4-phenyl-2H-chromen-2-one (3n):

¹H NMR of **3n** in CDCl₃



¹³C NMR of **3n** in CDCl₃

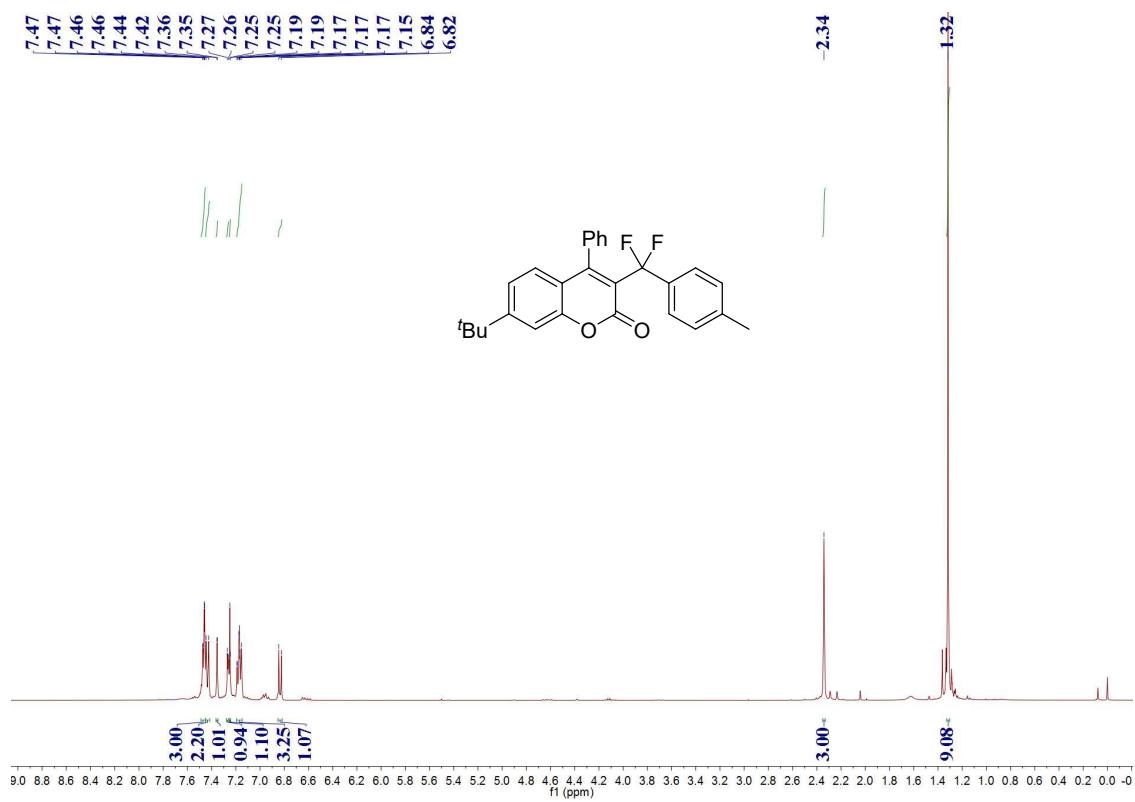


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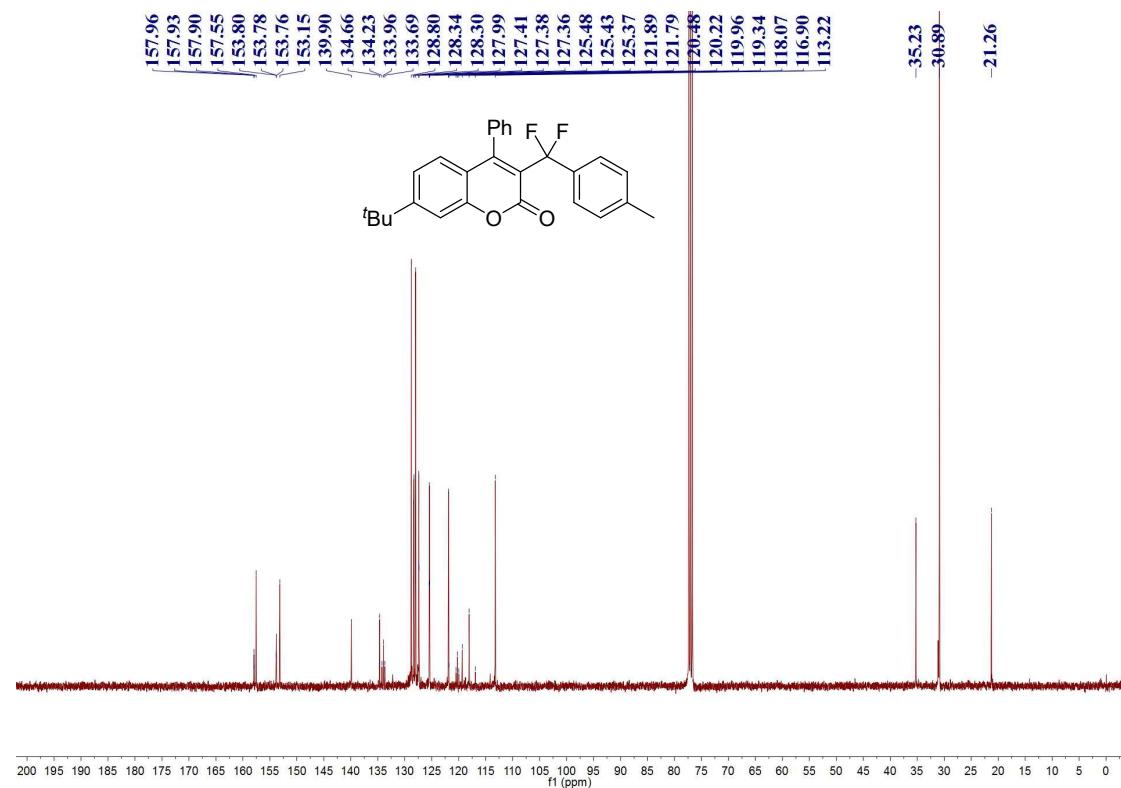


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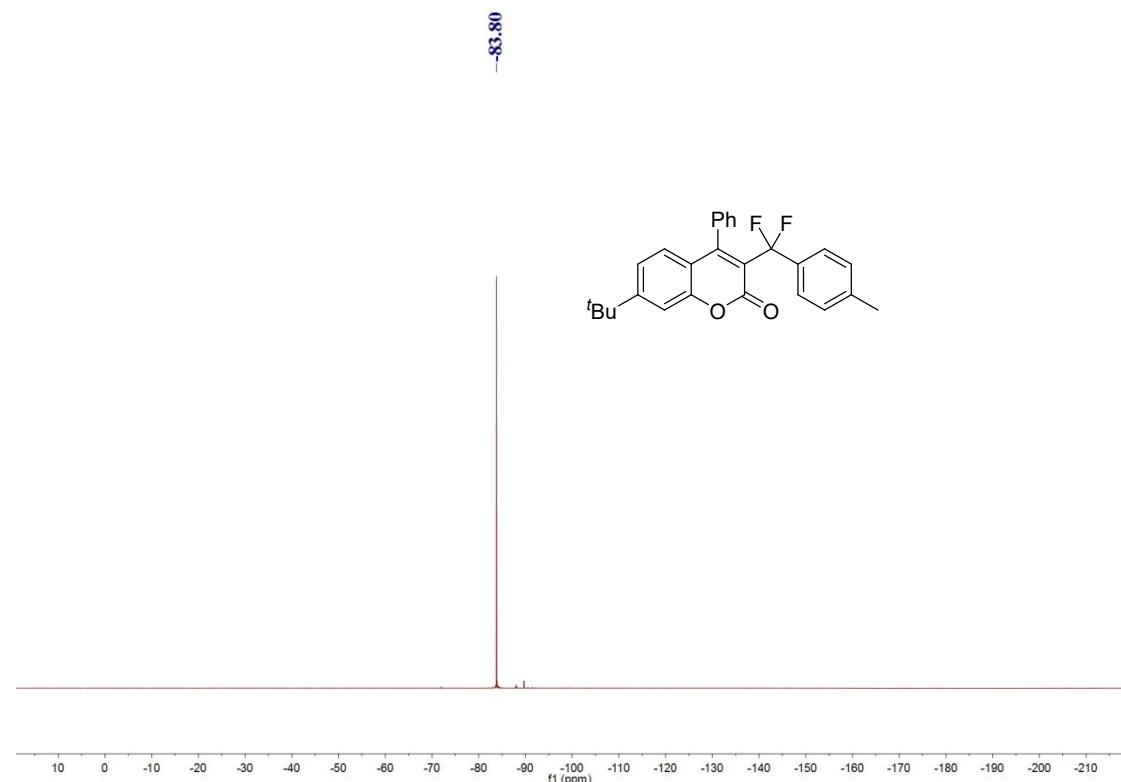
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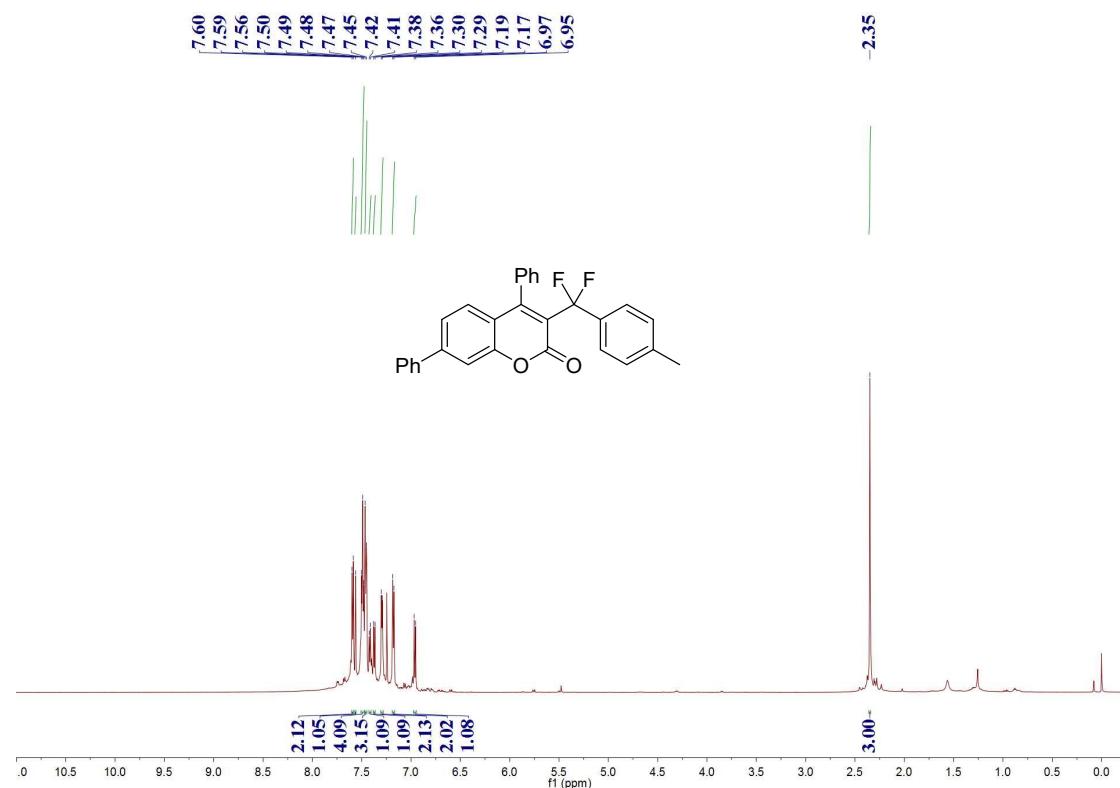


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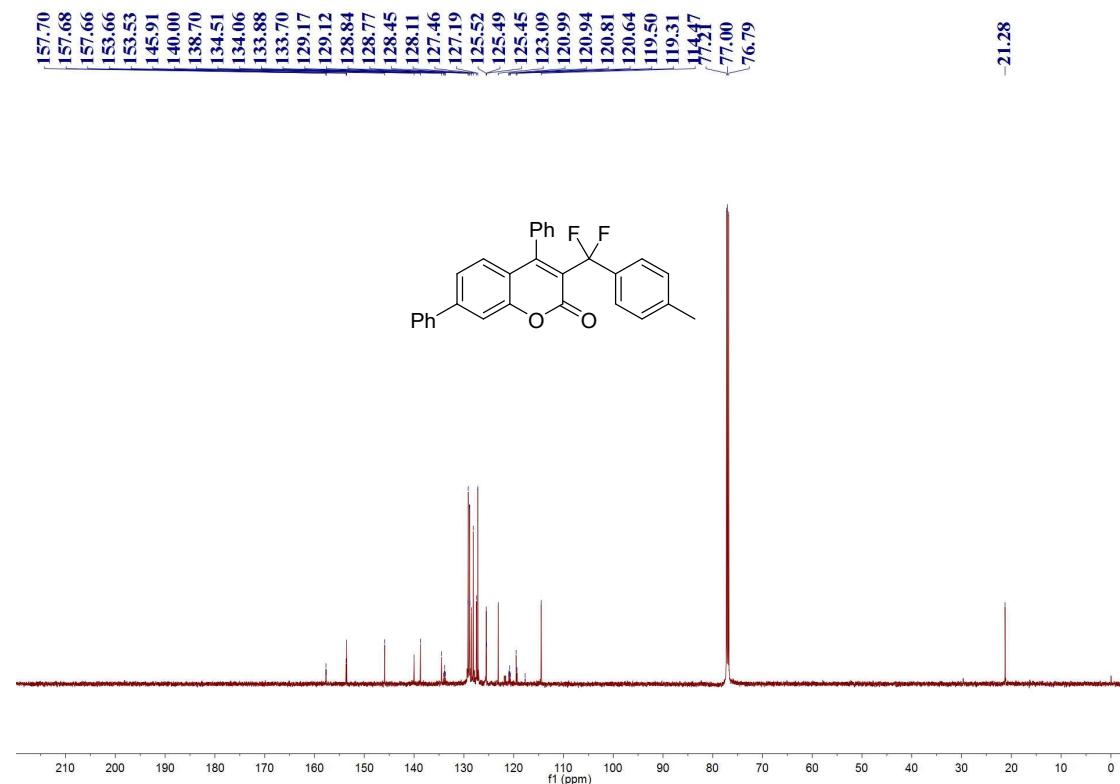


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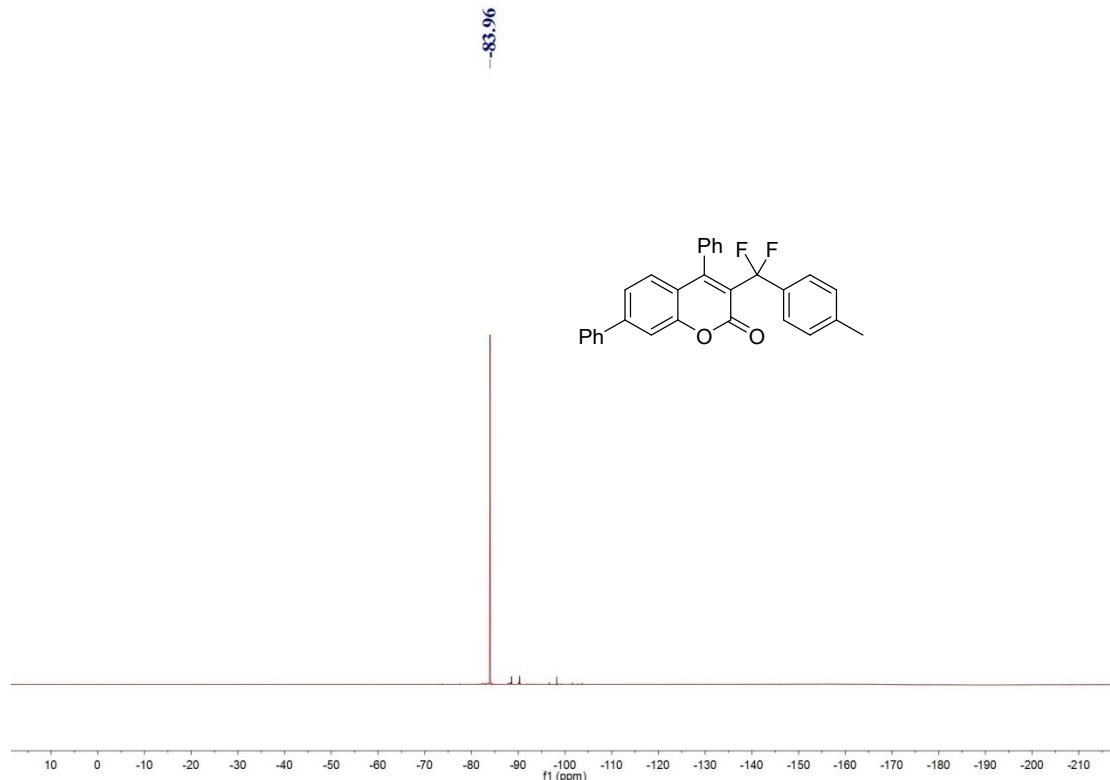
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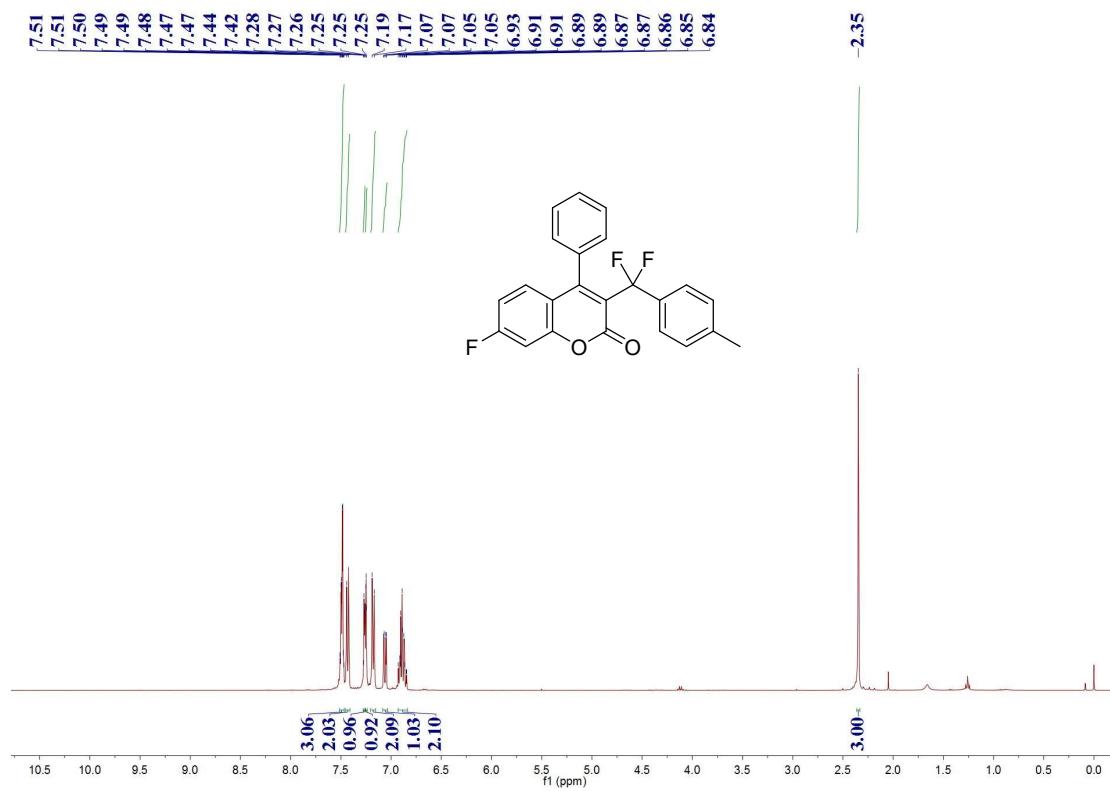


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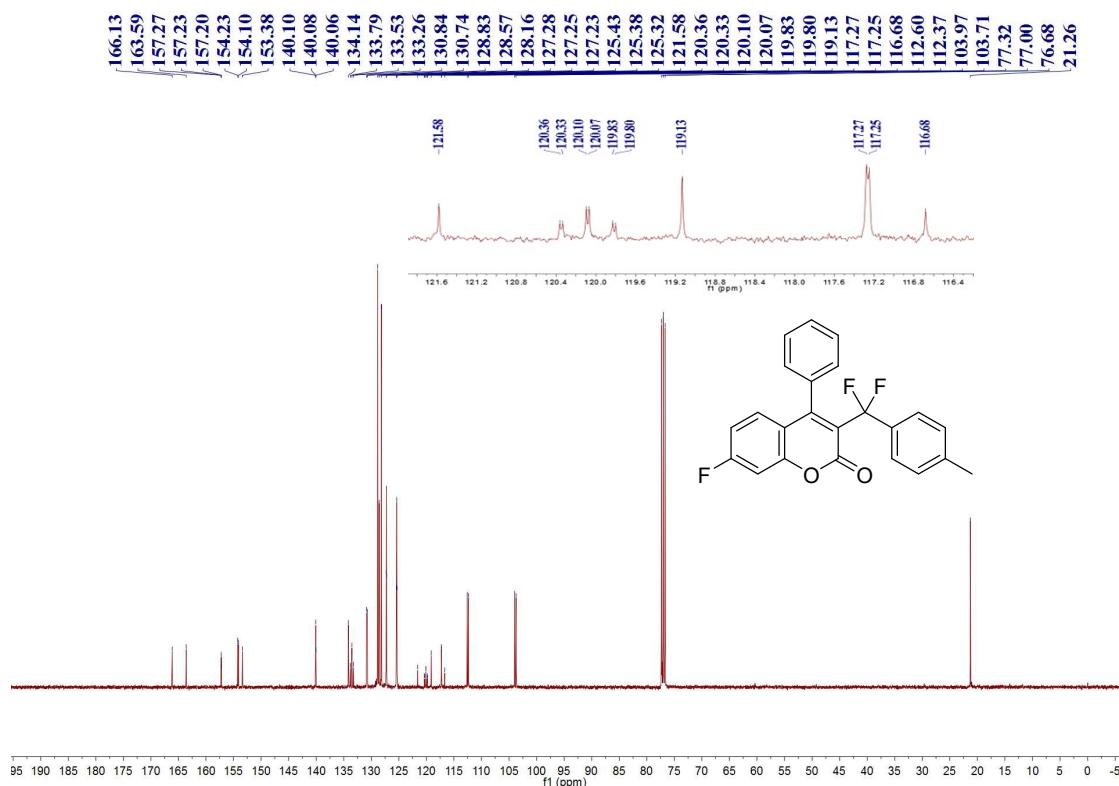


3-(difluoro(p-tolyl)methyl)-7-fluoro-4-phenyl-2H-chromen-2-one (3q):

¹H NMR of **3q** in CDCl₃

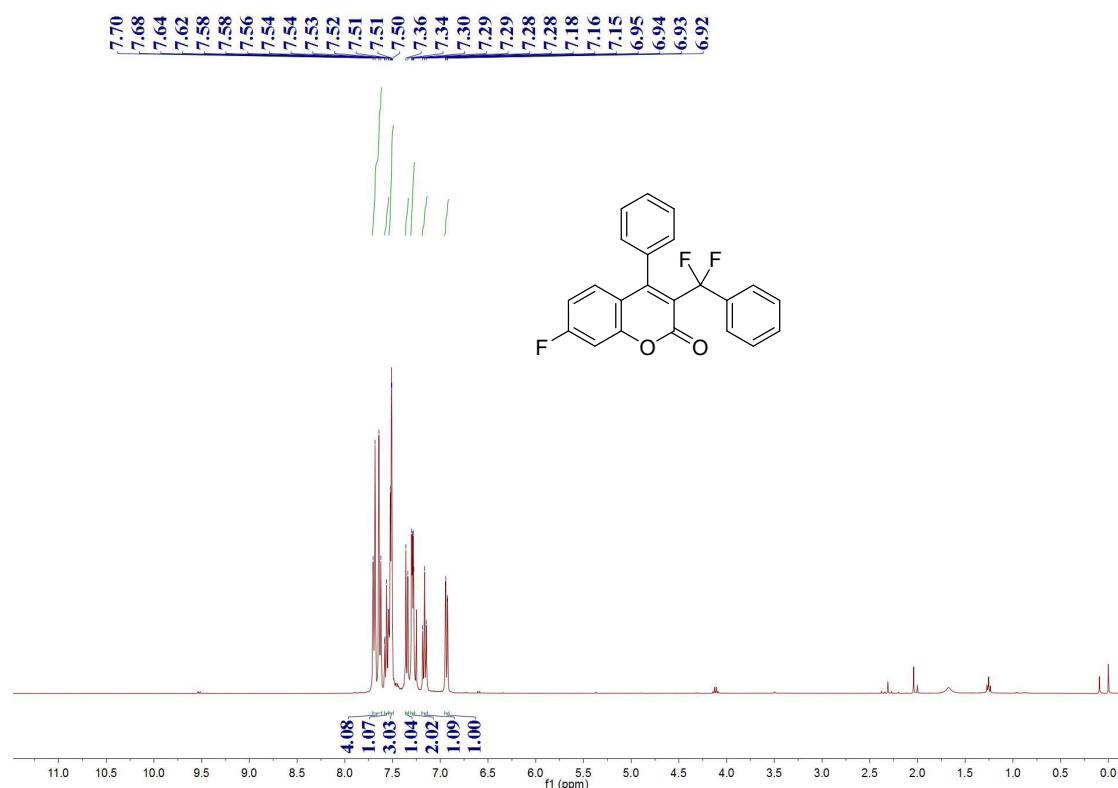


¹³C NMR of **3q** in CDCl₃

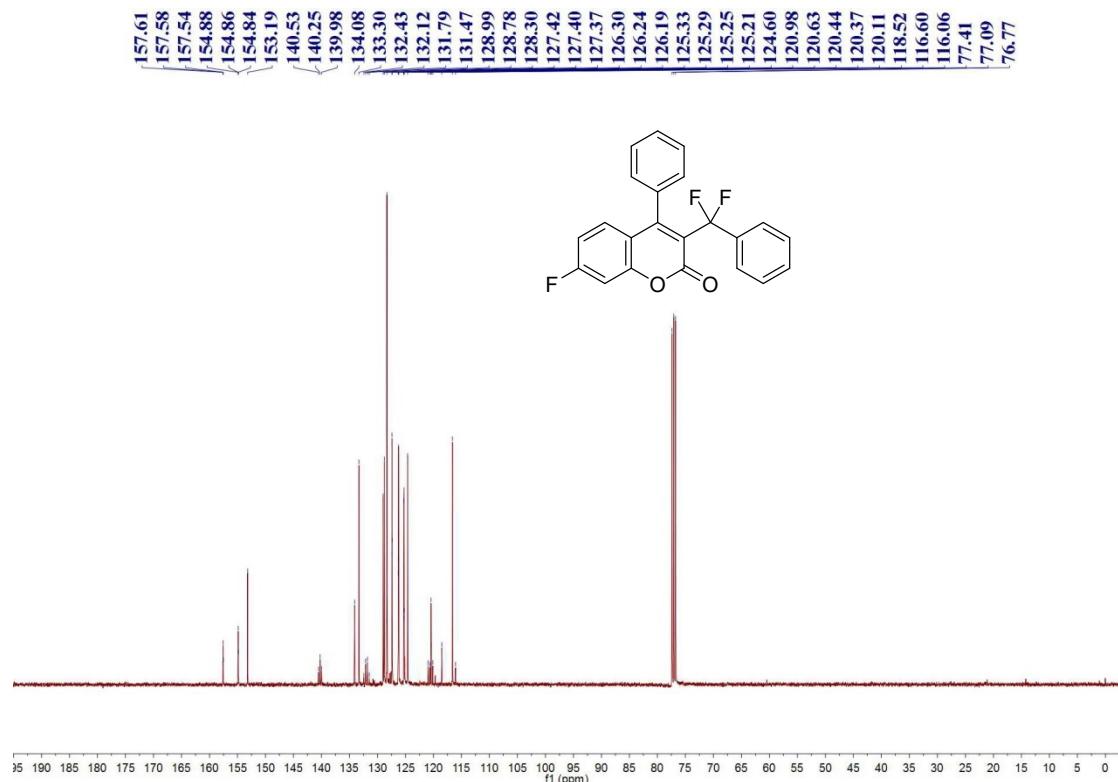


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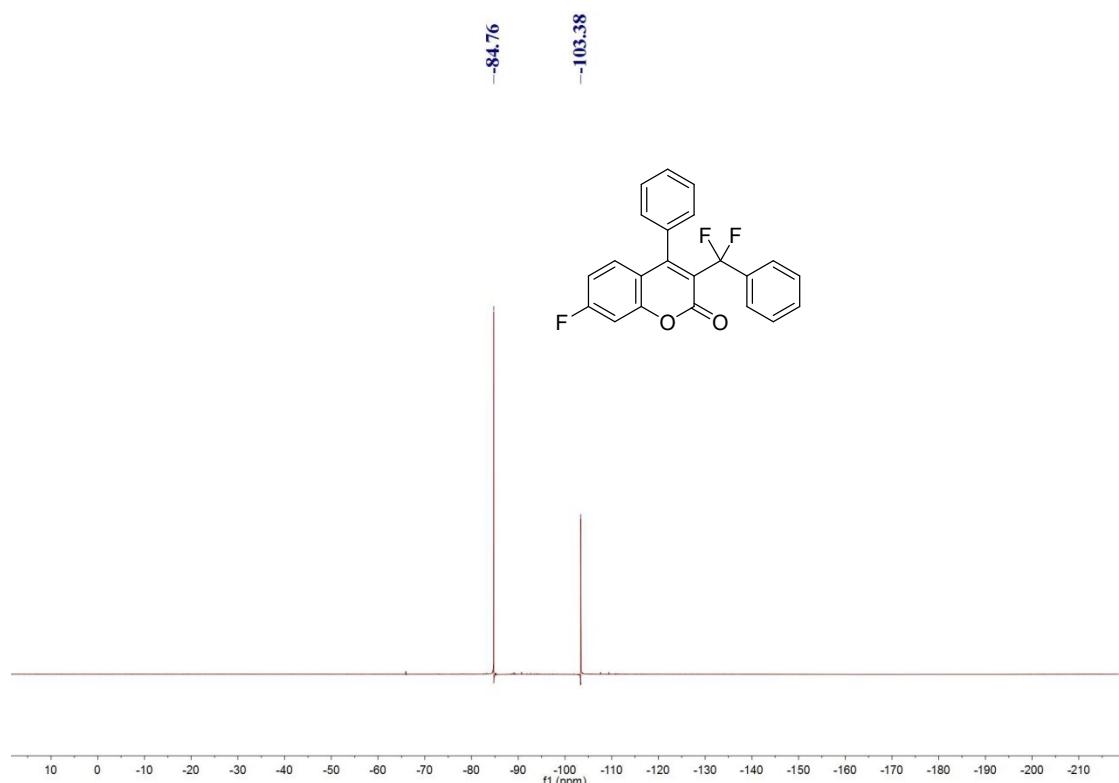
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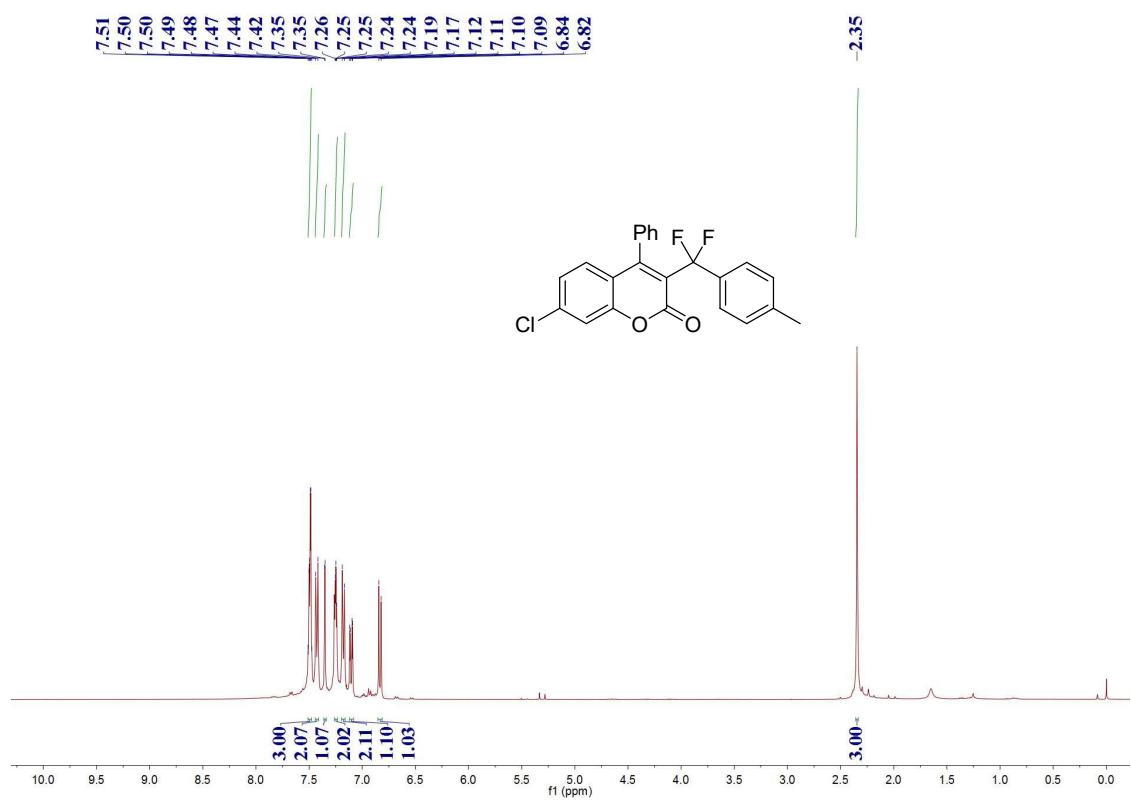


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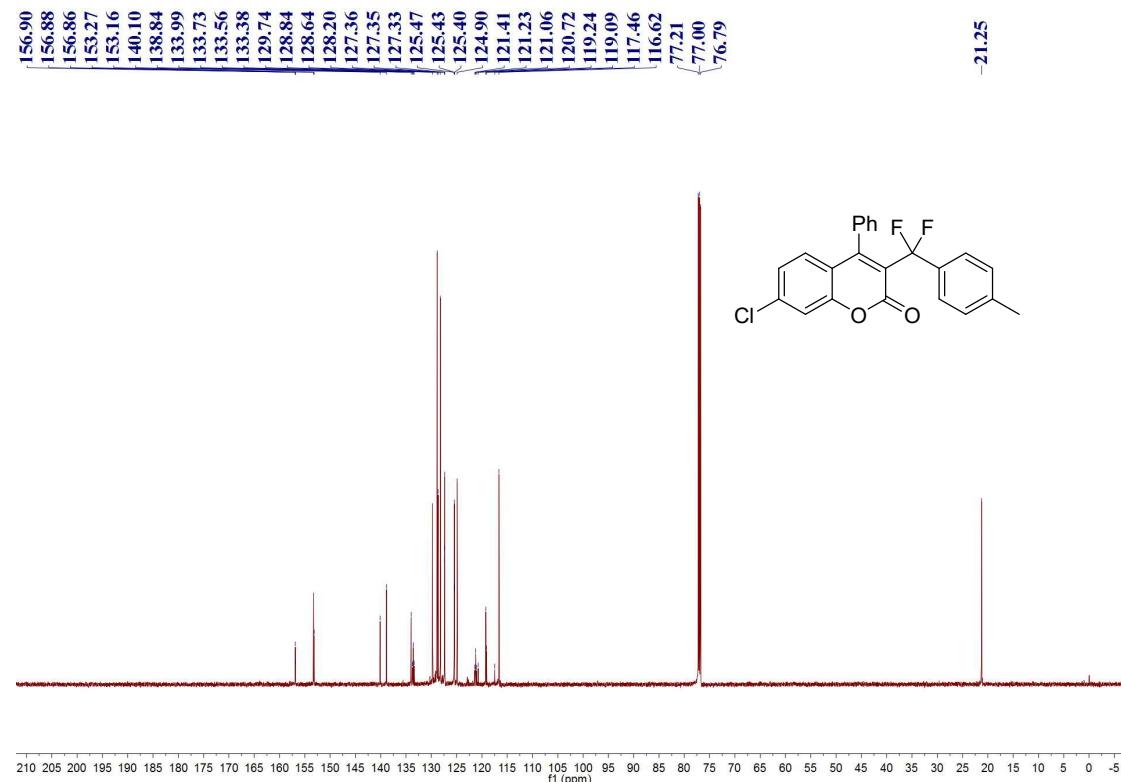


7-chloro-3-(difluoro(p-tolyl)methyl)-4-phenyl-2H-chromen-2-one (3s):

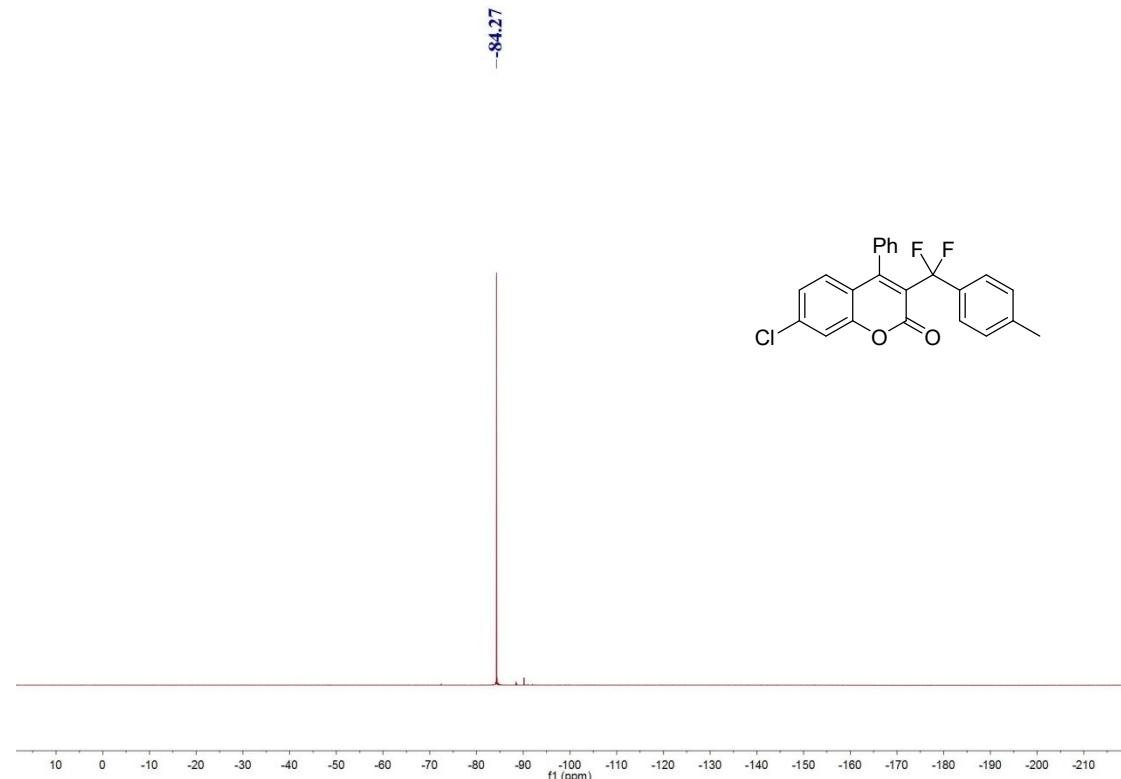
¹H NMR of **3s** in CDCl₃



¹³C NMR of **3s** in CDCl₃ (600Hz)

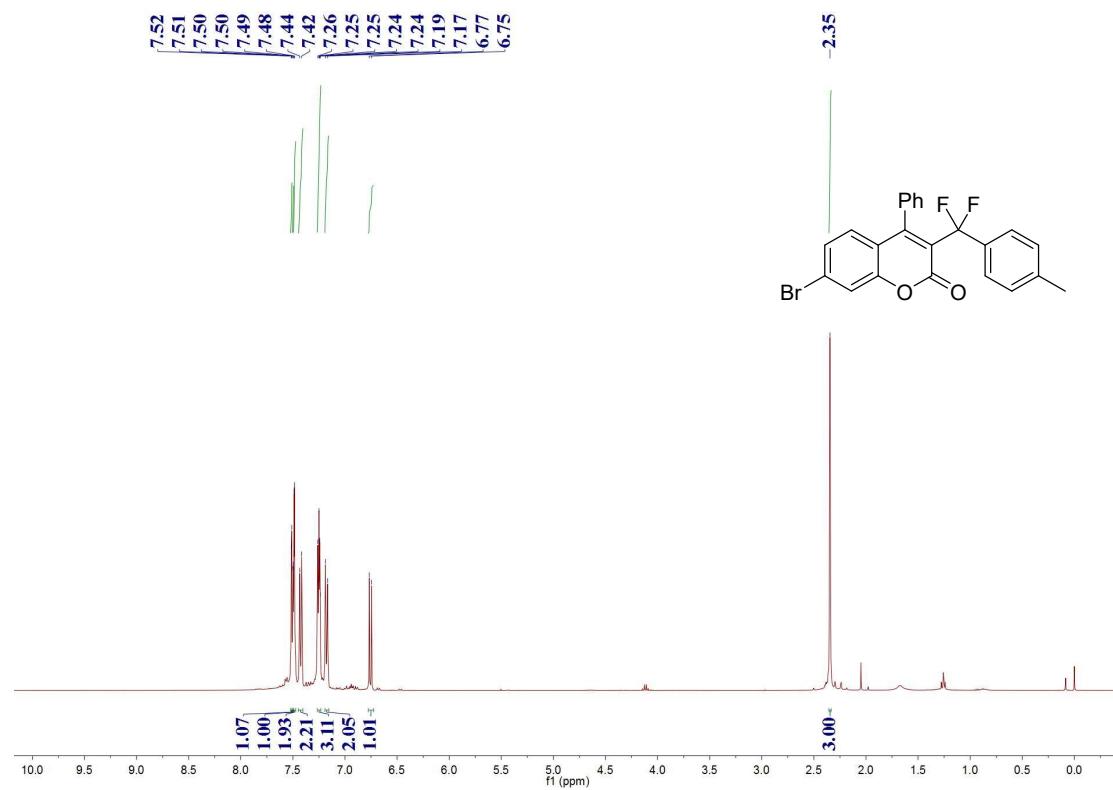


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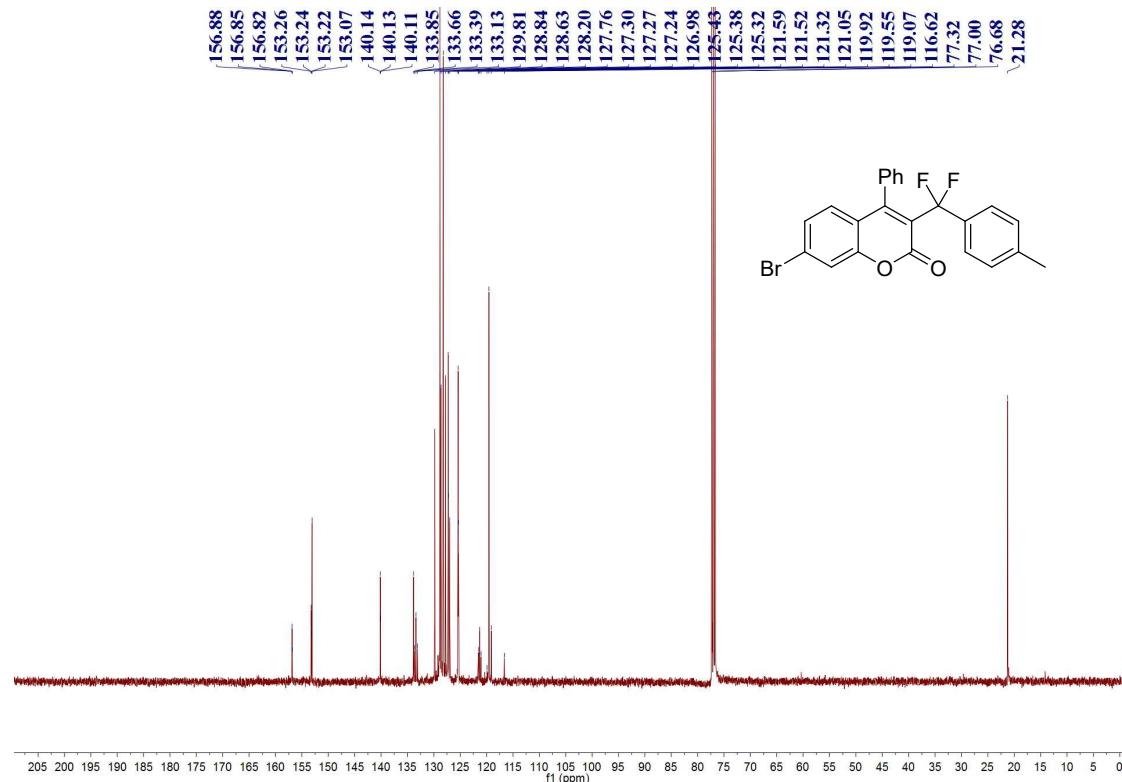


7-bromo-3-(difluoro(p-tolyl)methyl)-4-phenyl-2H-chromen-2-one (3t):

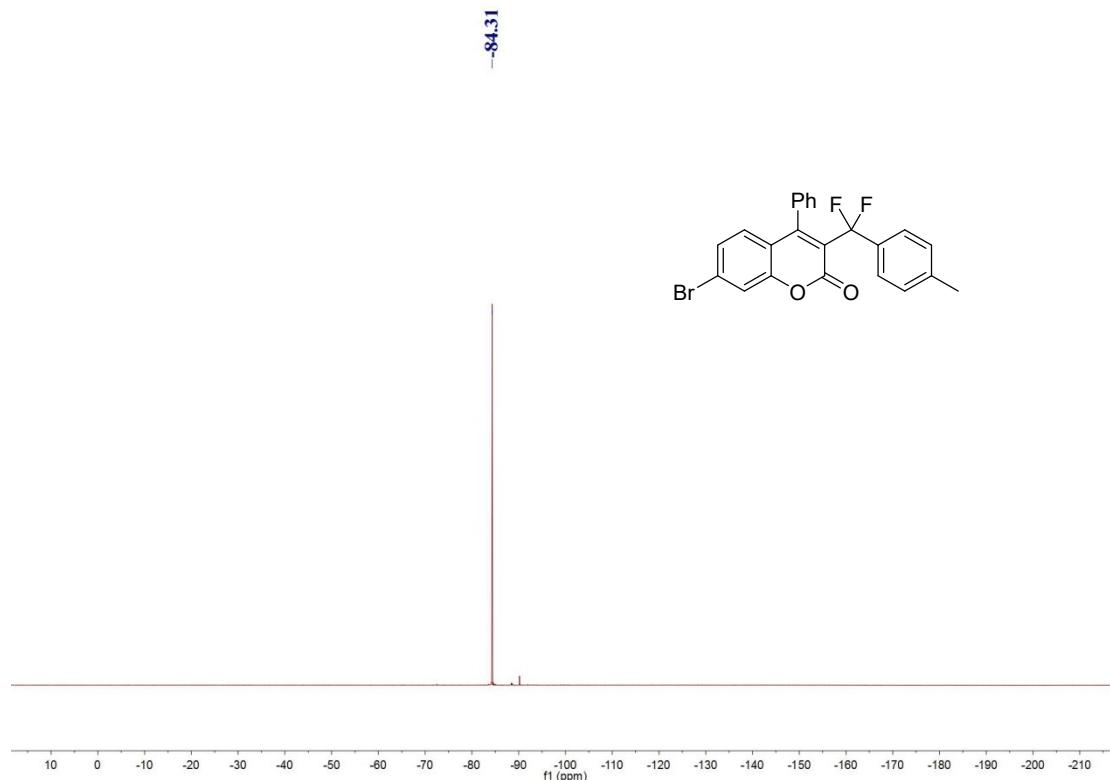
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¹³C NMR of **3t** in CDCl₃

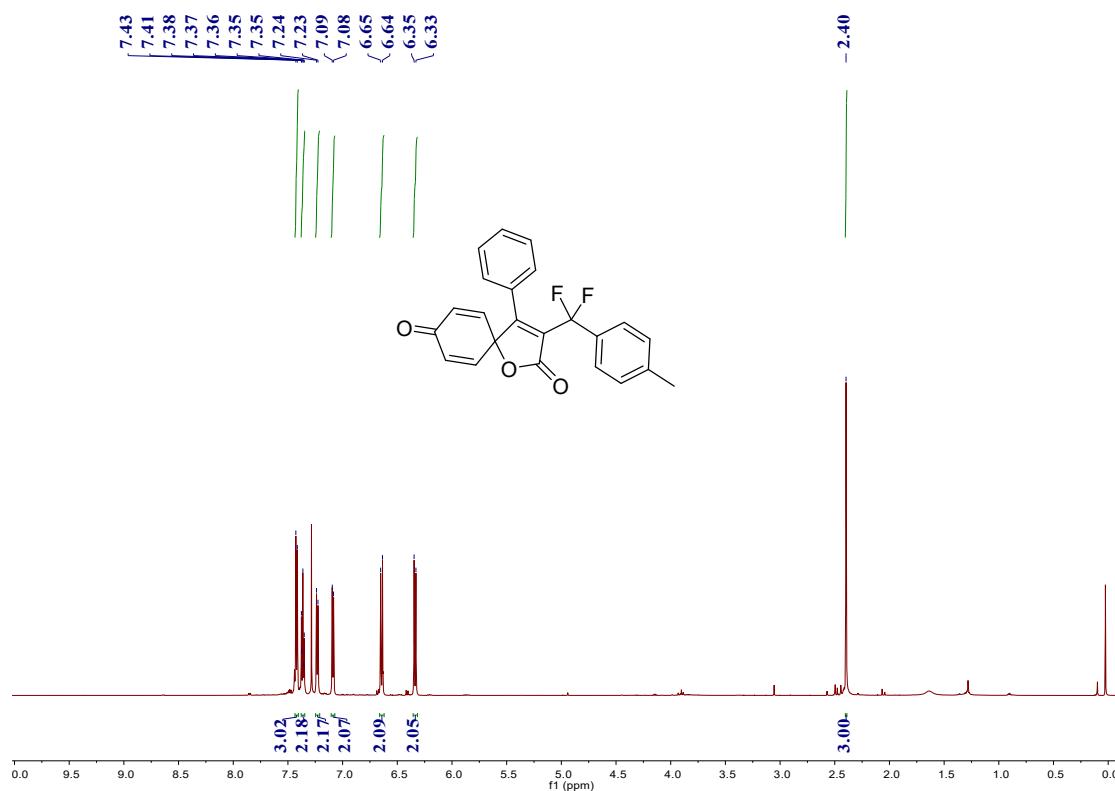


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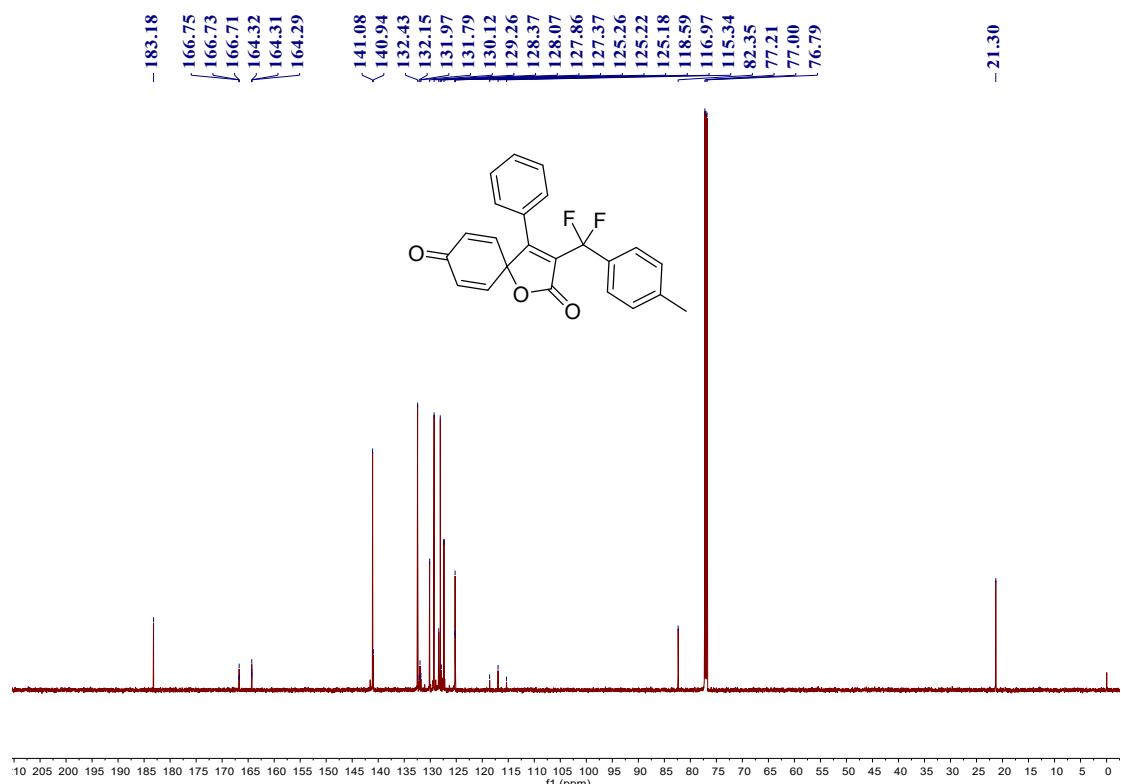


3-(difluoro(p-tolyl)methyl)-4-phenyl-1-oxaspiro[4.5]deca-3,6,9-triene-2,8-dione (3v**)**

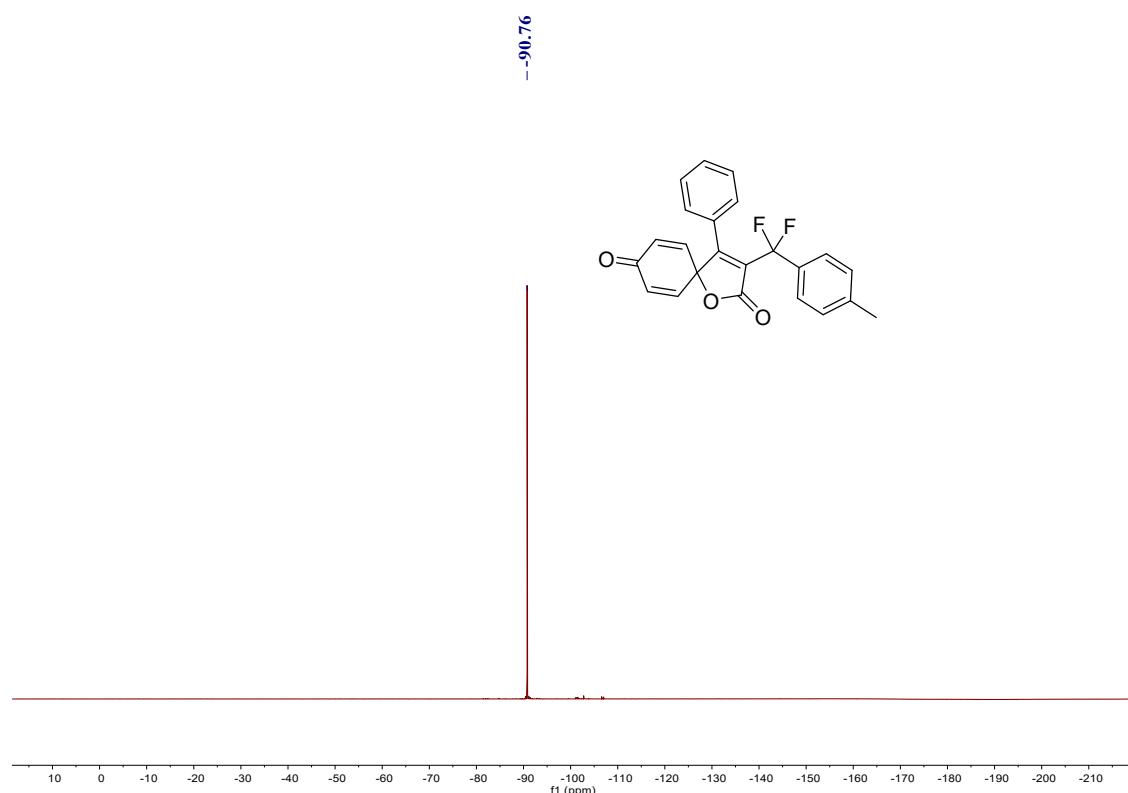
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¹³C NMR of **3v** in CDCl₃



¹⁹F NMR of **3v** in CDCl₃



5. X-ray structure of compound 3r.

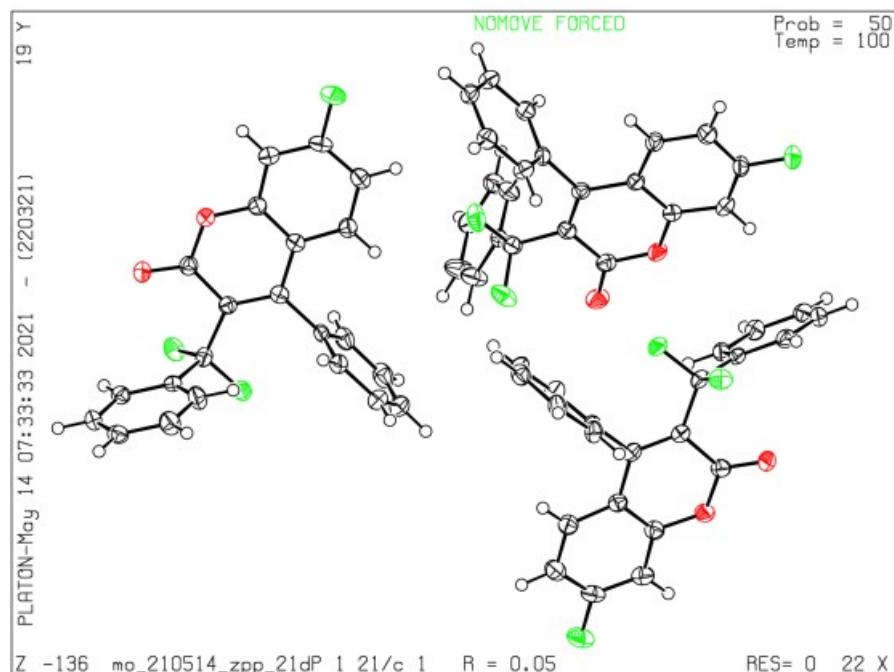


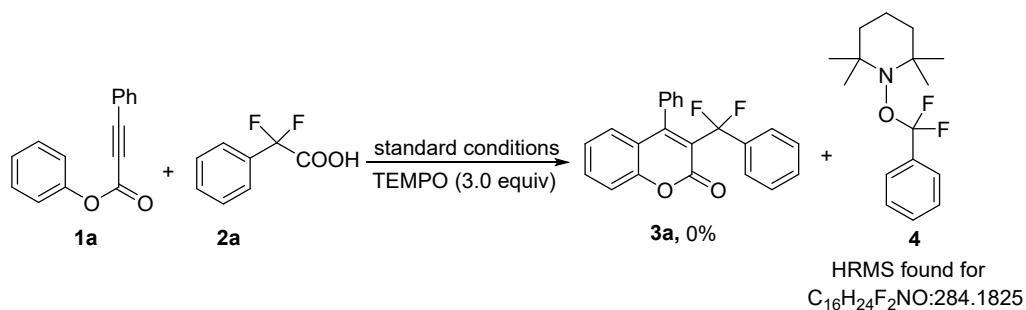
Table 1 Crystal data and structure refinement for 3r

Identification code	mo_210514_ZPP_21DJ_0m
Empirical formula	C ₂₂ H ₁₃ F ₃ O ₂
Formula weight	366.32
Temperature/K	100.0
Crystal system	monoclinic
Space group	P2 ₁ /c
a/Å	14.1040(6)
b/Å	15.1682(9)
c/Å	24.3684(12)
α/°	90
β/°	102.661(2)
γ/°	90
Volume/Å ³	5086.4(4)
Z	12

Continue to table 1

ρ_{calc} g/cm ³	1.435
μ/mm^{-1}	0.113
F(000)	2256.0
Crystal size/mm ³	0.16 × 0.09 × 0.08
Radiation	MoK α ($\lambda = 0.71073$)
2 Θ range for data collection/°	3.996 to 54.234
Index ranges	-16 ≤ h ≤ 18, -18 ≤ k ≤ 19, -29 ≤ l ≤ 31
Reflections collected	54654
Independent reflections	11216 [$R_{\text{int}} = 0.0787$, $R_{\text{sigma}} = 0.0564$]
Data/restraints/parameters	11216/0/730
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.031
Final R indexes [I>=2σ (I)]	$R_1 = 0.0479$, $wR_2 = 0.0954$
Final R indexes [all data]	$R_1 = 0.0856$, $wR_2 = 0.1133$
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å ⁻³	0.22/-0.29

6. HRMS data of compound 4



Compound Spectrum SmartFormula Report

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Comment			

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Scan End	1500 m/z	Set Charging Voltage	2000 V	Set Divert Valve	Source
		Set Corona	0 nA	Set APCI Heater	0 °C

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