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**Lewis acid-promoted cyclizations of *o*-alkyloxyphenyl-substituted ynamides  
to construct 2-amidobenzofurans**

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## Part I Experimental Part

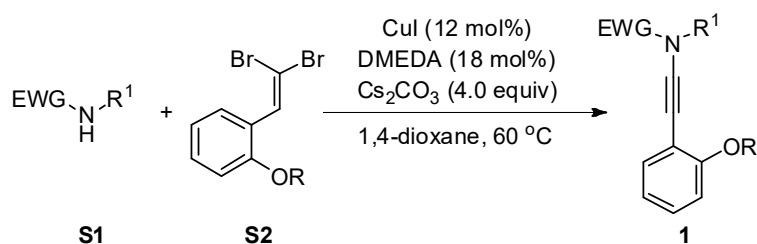
### General Information

Unless otherwise indicated, all starting materials were obtained from commercial supplies and used as received. *o*-Alkyloxyphenyl-substituted ynamides were prepared according to the literatures.<sup>1-12</sup> All acyl chlorides were purchased. All reactions were performed in oven-dried glassware under nitrogen atmosphere. Solvents were distilled prior to use. Chromatographic separations were performed using 200~300 mesh silica gel. <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were obtained on a Bruker's Ascend™ 400 NMR spectrometer using CDCl<sub>3</sub> as solvent with TMS or residual solvent as standard unless otherwise noted. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz) spectra were reported in ppm with the internal chloroform signal at 77.2 ppm as a standard. Infrared spectra were obtained on a PerkinElmer FT/IR spectrophotometer and relative intensities are expressed qualitatively as s (strong), m (medium), and w (weak). TLC analysis was performed using 254 nm polyester-backed plates and visualized using UV and KMnO<sub>4</sub> stain. High-resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were performed on a Bruker MicrOTOF-Q II mass spectrometer.

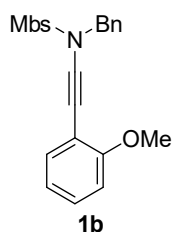
### 1.1 Synthesis of *o*-Alkyloxyphenyl-Substituted Ynamides.

*o*-Alkyloxyphenyl-substituted ynamides **1a**<sup>1</sup>, **1f**<sup>2</sup>, **1g**<sup>3</sup>, **1j**<sup>4</sup>, **1l**<sup>5</sup> and **1n**<sup>6</sup> were known compounds and synthesized according to corresponding literatures, the data were matched with reported values. *o*-Alkyloxyphenyl-substituted ynamides **1b**, **1c**, **1d**, **1e**, **1h**, **1i**, **1k**, **1m**, **1o** and **1p** were new compounds and synthesized according to literatures.<sup>1,5</sup>

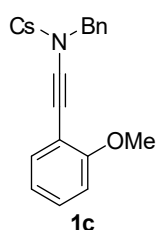
#### Synthesis of *o*-Alkyloxyphenyl-Substituted Ynamides **1b-1e**, **1h**, **1i**, **1k**, **1o** and **1p**.<sup>1</sup>



To an oven-dried flask were charged with amide **S1**<sup>7</sup> (832.0 mg, 3.00 mmol), 1,1-dibromo-1-alkene **S2**<sup>8</sup> (583.9 mg, 2.00 mmol), Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (2.6 g, 8.00 mmol), CuI (45.7 mg, 0.24 mmol) and 1,4-dioxane (3.8 mL). Then DMEDA (39.5 μL, 0.36 mmol) was added gradually to the flask. The reaction was stirred at 60 °C for 10.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 8:1~4:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1b** (711.6 mg, 1.75 mmol) in 87% yield.

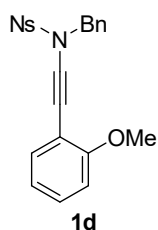


**1b:**  $R_f$  = 0.15 [6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid; mp = 75–76 °C;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.86 (dt, 2H,  $J$  = 9.0, 3.0 Hz), 7.39–7.36 (m, 2H), 7.30–7.27 (m, 3H), 7.22–7.17 (m, 2H), 6.93 (dt, 2H,  $J$  = 9.0, 3.0 Hz), 6.85–6.79 (m, 2H), 4.59 (s, 2H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 3.80 (s, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  163.6, 159.7, 134.7, 132.8, 130.1, 129.4, 129.1, 129.0, 128.5, 128.3, 120.4, 114.2, 112.3, 110.8, 86.8, 67.8, 55.9, 55.81, 55.79; IR (KBr) ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3436m, 2937w, 2234m, 1596m, 1496s, 1362s, 1132w; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{26}\text{NO}_5\text{S}$  [ $\text{M} + \text{MeOH} + \text{H}$ ] $^+$ : 440.1526; found 440.1520.



To an oven-dried flask were charged with amide **S1**<sup>9</sup> (845.3 mg, 3.00 mmol), 1,1-dibromo-1-alkene **S2**<sup>8</sup> (584.0 mg, 2.00 mmol),  $\text{Cs}_2\text{CO}_3$  (2.6 g, 8.00 mmol), CuI (45.7 mg, 0.24 mmol) and 1,4-dioxane (3.8 mL). Then DMEDA (39.5  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.36 mmol) was added gradually to the flask. The reaction was stirred at 60 °C for 10.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 10:1~6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1c** (591.9 mg, 1.44 mmol) in 72% yield.

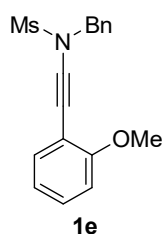
**1c:**  $R_f$  = 0.39 [6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid; mp = 78–79 °C;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.83 (dt, 2H,  $J$  = 8.6, 2.6 Hz), 7.42 (dt, 2H,  $J$  = 8.8, 2.5 Hz), 7.38–7.36 (m, 2H), 7.30–7.27 (m, 3H), 7.24–7.20 (m, 2H), 6.88–6.82 (m, 2H), 4.63 (s, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  159.9, 140.1, 136.3, 134.4, 133.0, 129.41, 129.36, 129.28, 129.1, 128.6, 128.5, 120.5, 111.9, 110.8, 86.2, 68.1, 56.3, 55.8; IR (KBr) ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3442s, 2935w, 2234w, 1495m, 1372s, 1097m; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{23}\text{ClNO}_4\text{S}$  [ $\text{M} + \text{MeOH} + \text{H}$ ] $^+$ : 444.1031; found 444.1029.



To an oven-dried flask were charged with amide **S1**<sup>7</sup> (876.9 mg, 3.00 mmol), 1,1-dibromo-1-alkene **S2**<sup>8</sup> (583.9 mg, 2.00 mmol),  $\text{Cs}_2\text{CO}_3$  (2.6 g, 8.00 mmol), CuI (45.7 mg, 0.24

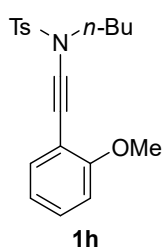
mmol) and 1,4-dioxane (3.8 mL). Then DMEDA (39.5  $\mu$ L, 0.36 mmol) was added gradually to the flask. The reaction was stirred at 60  $^{\circ}$ C for 10.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 10:1~6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1d** (405.6 mg, 0.96 mmol) in 48% yield.

**1d**:  $R_f$  = 0.32 [6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid; mp = 119–120  $^{\circ}$ C;  $^1$ H NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.24 (dt, 2H,  $J$  = 8.9, 2.4 Hz), 8.02 (dt, 2H,  $J$  = 9.0, 2.4 Hz), 7.38–7.35 (m, 2H), 7.29–7.22 (m, 5H), 6.90–6.85 (m, 2H), 4.69 (s, 2H), 3.85 (s, 3H);  $^{13}$ C NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  160.1, 150.4, 143.3, 134.0, 133.1, 129.8, 129.14, 129.13, 128.8, 128.7, 124.0, 120.6, 111.5, 110.8, 85.7, 68.4, 56.7, 55.9; IR (KBr) ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3442s, 2850w, 2242w, 1588w, 1365s, 1026m, 944w; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_2\text{O}_5\text{SNa}$  [ $\text{M} + \text{Na}$ ] $^+$ : 445.0829; found 445.0828.



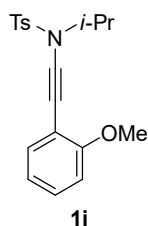
To an oven-dried flask were charged with amide **S1**<sup>10</sup> (555.7 mg, 3.00 mmol), 1,1-dibromo-1-alkene **S2**<sup>8</sup> (583.9 mg, 2.00 mmol),  $\text{Cs}_2\text{CO}_3$  (2.6 g, 8.00 mmol), CuI (45.7 mg, 0.24 mmol) and 1,4-dioxane (3.8 mL). Then DMEDA (39.5  $\mu$ L, 0.36 mmol) was added gradually to the flask. The reaction was stirred at 60  $^{\circ}$ C for 10.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 8:1~4:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1e** (554.0 mg, 1.76 mmol) in 88% yield.

**1e**:  $R_f$  = 0.18 [6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid; mp = 62–63  $^{\circ}$ C;  $^1$ H NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.57–7.55 (m, 2H), 7.42–7.34 (m, 3H), 7.31 (dd, 1H,  $J$  = 7.6, 1.7 Hz), 7.28–7.23 (m, 1H), 6.90–6.84 (m, 2H), 4.72 (s, 2H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 2.91 (s, 3H);  $^{13}$ C NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  160.1, 134.8, 133.1, 129.5, 129.3, 128.87, 128.81, 120.5, 111.9, 110.7, 86.1, 68.2, 56.1, 55.9, 38.9; IR (KBr) ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3439s, 2242w, 1497m, 1359s, 1162s, 1025m; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{22}\text{NO}_4\text{S}$  [ $\text{M} + \text{MeOH} + \text{H}$ ] $^+$ : 348.1264; found 348.1268.



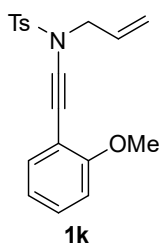
To an oven-dried flask were charged with amide **S1**<sup>11</sup> (628.0 mg, 3.00 mmol), 1,1-dibromo-1-alkene **S2**<sup>8</sup> (583.9 mg, 2.00 mmol), Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (2.6 g, 8.00 mmol), CuI (45.7 mg, 0.24 mmol) and 1,4-dioxane (3.8 mL). Then DMEDA (39.5 μL, 0.36 mmol) was added gradually to the flask. The reaction was stirred at 60 °C for 11.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 10:1~6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1h** (658.8 mg, 1.84 mmol) in 92% yield.

**1h**: *R*<sub>f</sub> = 0.31 [6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid; mp = 44–45 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.90 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.3 Hz), 7.35–7.31 (m, 3H), 7.25–7.21 (m, 1H), 6.90–6.83 (m, 2H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 3.39 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 2.44 (s, 3H), 1.75–1.67 (m, 2H), 1.41–1.34 (m, 2H), 0.92 (t, 3H, *J* = 7.3 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 159.8, 144.5, 134.8, 132.9, 129.8, 129.1, 127.9, 120.5, 112.5, 110.8, 86.3, 67.2, 55.8, 51.5, 29.9, 21.8, 19.6, 13.8; IR (KBr) (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 3428s, 2836w, 2236m, 1698w, 1495m, 1362s, 1090m; HRMS (ESI): *m/z* calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>28</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>S [M + MeOH + H]<sup>+</sup>: 390.1734; found 390.1730.



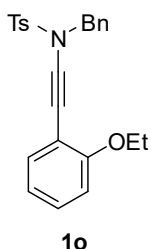
To an oven-dried flask were charged with amide **S1**<sup>12</sup> (639.9 mg, 3.00 mmol), 1,1-dibromo-1-alkene **S2**<sup>8</sup> (583.9 mg, 2.00 mmol), Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (2.6 g, 8.00 mmol), CuI (45.7 mg, 0.24 mmol) and 1,4-dioxane (3.8 mL). Then DMEDA (39.5 μL, 0.36 mmol) was added gradually to the flask. The reaction was stirred at 60 °C for 16.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 20:1~15:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1i** (607.0 mg, 1.77 mmol) in 88% yield.

**1i**: *R*<sub>f</sub> = 0.33 [10:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; colorless oil; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.91 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.2 Hz), 7.36–7.31 (m, 3H), 7.26–7.21 (m, 1H), 6.90–6.84 (m, 2H), 4.31–4.21 (m, 1H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 2.43 (s, 3H), 1.17 (d, 6H, *J* = 6.6 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 159.8, 144.4, 136.2, 132.6, 129.8, 128.9, 127.7, 120.5, 112.8, 110.8, 83.4, 69.2, 55.9, 52.9, 21.8, 20.8; IR (KBr) (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 2966w, 2235m, 1705m, 1495s, 1359s, 1246s, 1170s; HRMS (ESI): *m/z* calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>22</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>S [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 344.1315; found 344.1315.



To an oven-dried flask were charged with amide **S1**<sup>13</sup> (633.8 mg, 3.00 mmol), 1,1-dibromo-1-alkene **S2**<sup>8</sup> (583.9 mg, 2.00 mmol), Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (2.6 g, 8.00 mmol), CuI (45.7 mg, 0.24 mmol) and 1,4-dioxane (3.8 mL). Then DMEDA (39.5 μL, 0.36 mmol) was added gradually to the flask. The reaction was stirred at 60 °C for 11.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 10:1~6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1k** (609.8 mg, 1.79 mmol) in 89% yield.

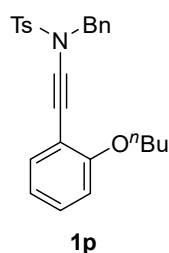
**1k**: *R*<sub>f</sub> = 0.32 [6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid; mp = 100–101 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.90 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.2 Hz), 7.34 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.30 (dd, 1H, *J* = 7.5, 1.7 Hz), 7.25-7.21 (m, 1H), 6.89-6.83 (m, 2H), 5.86-5.76 (m, 1H), 5.32-5.21 (m, 2H), 4.06 (d, 2H, *J* = 6.4 Hz), 3.85 (s, 3H), 2.44 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 159.9, 144.7, 134.9, 133.1, 131.0, 129.8, 129.2, 128.1, 120.5, 120.2, 112.3, 110.8, 86.2, 67.4, 55.9, 54.6, 21.8; IR (KBr) (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 3445s, 2834w, 2236m, 1597w, 1362s, 1168s, 1022m; HRMS (ESI): *m/z* calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>24</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>S [M + MeOH + H]<sup>+</sup>: 374.1421; found 374.1419.



To an oven-dried flask were charged with amide **S1**<sup>7</sup> (1.2 g, 4.50 mmol), 1,1-dibromo-1-alkene **S2**<sup>8</sup> (918.0 mg, 3.00 mmol), Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (3.9 g, 12.00 mmol), CuI (68.6 mg, 0.36 mmol) and 1,4-dioxane (5.6 mL). Then DMEDA (59.3 μL, 0.54 mmol) was added gradually to the flask. The reaction was stirred at 60 °C for 15.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 10:1~6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford *o*-ethoxyphenyl-substituted ynamide **1o** (1.10 g, 2.71 mmol) in 90% yield.

**1o**: *R*<sub>f</sub> = 0.39 [6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid; mp = 66–67 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.81 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 7.38-7.35 (m, 2H), 7.28-7.23 (m, 5H), 7.18-7.12 (m, 2H), 6.81-6.76 (m, 2H), 4.57 (s, 2H), 3.98 (q, 2H, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 2.37 (s, 3H), 1.36 (t, 3H, *J* = 7.2 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 159.0, 144.50, 144.48, 134.8, 134.7, 132.6, 129.6, 128.9, 128.5, 128.2, 127.7, 120.3,

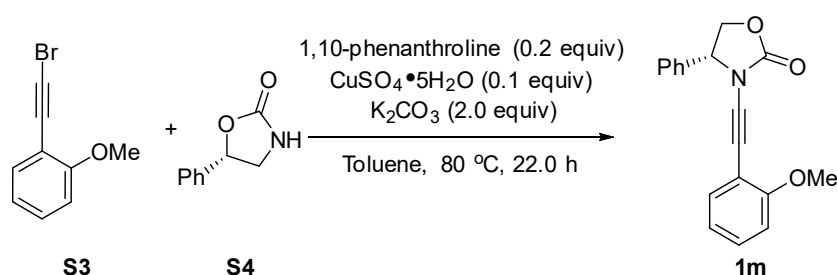
112.4, 111.9, 86.5, 67.9, 64.1, 55.9, 21.6, 14.9; IR (KBr) (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 3442s, 2979w, 2923w, 2236m, 1495m, 1358s; HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>24</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>S [M + H]<sup>+</sup>: 406.1471; found 406.1466.



To an oven-dried flask were charged with amide **S1**<sup>7</sup> (1.2 g, 4.50 mmol), 1,1-dibromo-1-alkene **S2**<sup>8</sup> (1.0 g, 3.00 mmol), Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (3.9 g, 12.00 mmol), CuI (68.6 mg, 0.36 mmol) and 1,4-dioxane (5.6 mL). Then DMEDA (59.3 μL, 0.54 mmol) was added gradually to the flask. The reaction was stirred at 60 °C for 13.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 12:1~8:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford *o*-butoxyphenyl-substituted ynamide **1p** (432.0 mg, 1.00 mmol) in 33% yield.

**1p**: *R*<sub>f</sub> = 0.46 [6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; colorless oil; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.79 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.36-7.34 (m, 2H), 7.28-7.22 (m, 5H), 7.19-7.13 (m, 2H), 6.81-6.76 (m, 2H), 4.57 (s, 2H), 3.91 (t, 2H, *J* = 6.4 Hz), 2.36 (s, 3H), 1.75-1.68 (m, 2H), 1.48-1.39 (m, 2H), 0.90 (t, 3H, *J* = 7.2 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 159.1, 144.4, 134.9, 134.7, 132.7, 129.6, 128.9, 128.8, 128.4, 128.2, 127.7, 120.1, 112.4, 111.7, 86.4, 68.2, 67.7, 55.9, 31.3, 21.6, 19.2, 13.9; IR (KBr) (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 3449s, 2958m, 2870w, 2234m, 1597w, 1365s; HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>28</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>S [M + H]<sup>+</sup>: 434.1784; found 434.1775.

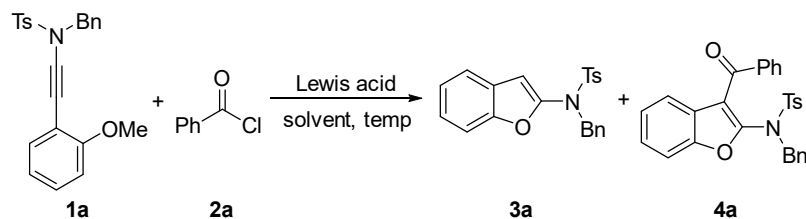
### Synthesis of *o*-Anisole-Substituted Ynamide **1m**.



To an oven-dried flask were charged with alkynyl bromide **S3**<sup>12</sup> (253.2 mg, 1.20 mmol), amide **S4** (163.2 mg, 1.00 mmol), CuSO<sub>4</sub>·5H<sub>2</sub>O (25.0 mg, 0.10 mmol), 1,10-phenanthroline (36.0 mg, 0.20 mmol) and K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (276.4 mg, 2.00 mmol), toluene (6.0 mL). The reaction was stirred at 80 °C for 22.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 4:1~2:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1m** (275.2 mg, 0.94 mmol) in 94% yield.

**1m:**  $R_f = 0.37$  [2:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid; mp = 110–111 °C;  $^1\text{H NMR}$  (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.46-7.39 (m, 5H), 7.23-7.19 (m, 2H), 6.83-6.76 (m, 2H), 5.16 (dd, 1H,  $J = 8.8, 7.1$  Hz), 4.77 (t, 1H,  $J = 8.8$  Hz), 4.31 (dd, 1H,  $J = 9.0, 7.1$  Hz), 3.72 (s, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C NMR}$  (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  160.0, 155.6, 136.3, 133.6, 129.7, 129.5, 129.3, 127.2, 120.4, 111.5, 110.8, 81.8, 70.9, 69.3, 62.4, 55.8; IR (KBr) ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 2965w, 2255w, 1757s, 1497m, 1252m, 1116m; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{20}\text{NO}_4$  [ $\text{M} + \text{MeOH} + \text{H}$ ] $^+$ : 294.1125; found 294.1119.

## 1.2 Optimization of the Intermolecular Reaction (Table S1).



Entry <sup>a</sup>	Catalyst (equiv)	Solvent	Temp (°C)	Time (h)	Yield <sup>b</sup> (%)	
					3a	4a
1	BF <sub>3</sub> ·Et <sub>2</sub> O (0.15)	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	30	11.0	19	56
2	AlCl <sub>3</sub> (0.15)	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	30	10.0	5	48
3	FeCl <sub>3</sub> (0.15)	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	30	3.0	7	78
4	ZnCl <sub>2</sub> (0.15)	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	30	10.0	23	74
5	ZnBr <sub>2</sub> (0.15)	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	30	6.0	34	50
6	SnCl <sub>4</sub> (0.15)	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	30	12.0	10	86
7	SnCl <sub>4</sub> (0.15)	DCE	30	5.0	7	87
8	SnCl <sub>4</sub> (0.15)	toluene	30	27.0	7	28
9	SnCl <sub>4</sub> (0.15)	THF	30	11.0	31	0
10	SnCl <sub>4</sub> (0.15)	EtOAc	30	32.0	43	0
11	SnCl <sub>4</sub> (0.3)	DCE	30	4.0	4	91
12	SnCl <sub>4</sub> (0.3)	DCE	50	2.5	0	97
13	SnCl <sub>4</sub> (0.3)	DCE	70	0.5	0	85
14 <sup>c</sup>	SnCl <sub>4</sub> (0.3)	DCE	50	3.0	13	82
15 <sup>d</sup>	SnCl <sub>4</sub> (0.3)	DCE	50	3.5	9	69
16 <sup>e</sup>	SnCl <sub>4</sub> (0.3)	DCE	50	2.5	0	96

<sup>a</sup>Unless otherwise specified, reactions were carried out using **1a** (0.20 mmol), **2a** (0.40 mmol) with catalyst in solvent (2.0 mL). <sup>b</sup>Isolated yields. <sup>c</sup>1.5 equiv of **2a** was used.

<sup>d</sup>1.2 equiv of **2a** was used. <sup>e</sup>**1a** (1.00 mmol) and **2a** (2.00 mmol) were added.

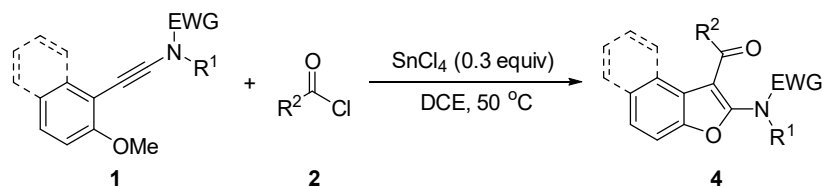
Entry 16: To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1a** (391.5 mg, 1.00 mmol), acyl chloride **2a** (232.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 2.00 mmol), DCE (10.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 M), and SnCl<sub>4</sub> (300.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.30 mmol, 1.0 M in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) at 50 °C. The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50 °C for 2.5 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 10:1~6:1 petroleum



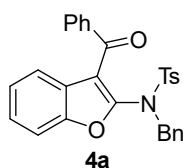
ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **4a** (461.8 mg, 0.96 mmol) in 96% yield.

### 1.3 Cyclization of *o*-Anisole-Substituted Ynamides with Acyl Chlorides.

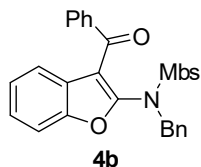
3-Acyl-2-amidobenzofurans **4a-4mm** were new compounds.



To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1a** (78.3 mg, 0.20 mmol), acyl chloride **2a** (46.4 μL, 0.40 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 M), and SnCl<sub>4</sub> (60.0 μL, 0.06 mmol, 1.0 M in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) at 50 °C. The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50 °C for 2.5 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 10:1~6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **4a** (93.5 mg, 0.19 mmol) in 97% yield.

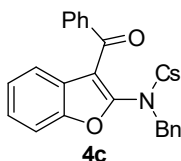


**4a**:  $R_f$  = 0.31 [6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid; mp = 136–137 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.60 (d, 2H,  $J$  = 8.2 Hz), 7.59-7.53 (m, 3H), 7.41 (d, 2H,  $J$  = 8.5 Hz), 7.36-7.29 (m, 3H), 7.24-7.15 (m, 8H), 4.77 (s, 2H), 2.34 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 190.1, 151.5, 149.1, 144.6, 137.9, 135.3, 134.4, 132.9, 129.9, 129.6, 129.4, 128.6, 128.4, 128.0, 126.8, 125.8, 124.0, 122.0, 115.6, 111.3, 54.2, 21.7, one carbon missing due to overlap, overlapped signal at 128.4 ppm; IR (KBr) (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 3448s, 2926w, 1568m, 1362s, 1177m, 1096w; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>24</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>S [M + H]<sup>+</sup>: 482.1421; found 482.1424.



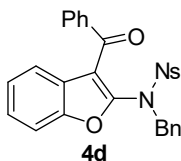
To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1b** (81.5 mg, 0.20 mmol), acyl chloride **2a** (46.4 μL, 0.40 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 M), and SnCl<sub>4</sub> (60.0 μL, 0.06 mmol, 1.0 M in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) at 50 °C. The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50 °C for 1.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 8:1~4:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **4b** (87.3 mg, 0.18 mmol) in 88% yield.

**4b**:  $R_f$  = 0.18 [6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid; mp = 120–121 °C;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.65 (dt, 2H,  $J$  = 9.0, 3.0 Hz), 7.59-7.53 (m, 3H), 7.43-7.40 (m, 2H), 7.37-7.29 (m, 3H), 7.21-7.18 (m, 6H), 6.84 (dt, 2H,  $J$  = 9.0, 3.0 Hz), 4.76 (s, 2H), 3.78 (s, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  190.1, 163.6, 151.5, 149.3, 137.9, 134.4, 132.9, 130.3, 129.74, 129.67, 129.4, 128.7, 128.41, 128.38, 126.9, 125.8, 124.0, 122.1, 115.6, 114.4, 111.3, 55.8, 54.1; IR (KBr) ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3442s, 2924w, 1499m, 1159s, 1026w; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{24}\text{NO}_5\text{S}$  [ $\text{M} + \text{H}$ ] $^+$ :498.1370; found 498.1371.



To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1c** (82.4 mg, 0.20 mmol), acyl chloride **2a** (46.4  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.40 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 M), and  $\text{SnCl}_4$  (60.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.06 mmol, 1.0 M in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) at 50 °C. The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50 °C for 9.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 10:1~6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-acetyl-2-amidobenzofuran **4c** (96.0 mg, 0.19 mmol) in 96% yield.

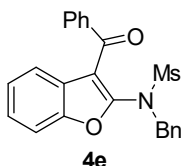
**4c**:  $R_f$  = 0.38 [6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid; mp = 112-113 °C;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.65 (dt, 2H,  $J$  = 8.6, 2.6 Hz), 7.60-7.55 (m, 3H), 7.43 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 8.3 Hz), 7.40-7.31 (s, 6H), 7.22-7.18 (m, 6H), 4.79 (s, 2H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  189.9, 151.5, 148.9, 140.2, 137.7, 137.0, 134.1, 133.2, 129.6, 129.5, 129.44, 129.39, 128.7, 128.5, 126.6, 126.0, 124.2, 122.1, 116.0, 111.4, 54.7, one carbon missing due to overlap, overlapped signal at 128.5 ppm; IR (KBr) ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3441s, 3088w, 1651s, 1362s, 1167m, 893m; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{21}\text{ClNO}_4\text{S}$  [ $\text{M} + \text{H}$ ] $^+$ : 502.0874; found 502.0875.



To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1d** (84.5 mg, 0.20 mmol), acyl chloride **2a** (46.4  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.40 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 M), and  $\text{SnCl}_4$  (60.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.06 mmol, 1.0 M in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) at 50 °C. The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50 °C for 11.5 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 10:1~6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-acetyl-2-amidobenzofuran **4d** (99.4 mg, 0.19 mmol) in 97% yield.

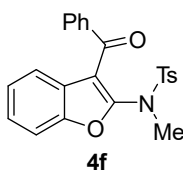
**4d**:  $R_f$  = 0.31 [6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid; mp = 150–151 °C;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,

CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.13 (dt, 2H,  $J$  = 8.9, 2.2 Hz), 7.87 (dt, 2H,  $J$  = 8.9, 2.4 Hz), 7.61-7.57 (m, 3H), 7.44 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 8.3 Hz), 7.40-7.31 (m, 4H), 7.24-7.17 (m, 6H), 4.89 (s, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  189.6, 151.5, 150.3, 148.6, 144.3, 137.4, 133.9, 133.5, 129.6, 129.3, 129.2, 128.8, 128.63, 128.56, 126.3, 126.2, 124.29, 124.27, 122.1, 116.4, 111.6, 55.7; IR (KBr) (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 3441s, 2850w, 1652s, 1449m, 1241m, 1061w; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>21</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>6</sub>S [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 513.1115; found 513.1118.



To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1e** (63.1 mg, 0.20 mmol), acyl chloride **2a** (46.4  $\mu$ L, 0.40 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 M), and SnCl<sub>4</sub> (60.0  $\mu$ L, 0.06 mmol, 1.0 M in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) at 50 °C. The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50 °C for 9.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 8:1~4:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **4e** (76.8 mg, 0.19 mmol) in 95% yield.

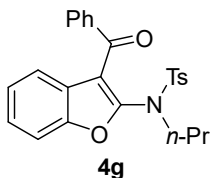
**4e**:  $R_f$  = 0.21 [6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; colorless oil; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.70-7.68 (m, 2H), 7.62-7.58 (m, 1H), 7.48 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 8.3 Hz), 7.45-7.41 (m, 2H), 7.36-7.30 (m, 2H), 7.25-7.18 (m, 6H), 4.80 (s, 2H), 3.08 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  190.5, 151.5, 150.6, 138.0, 134.5, 133.4, 129.6, 129.1, 128.9, 128.6, 126.4, 126.0, 124.2, 122.1, 114.7, 111.6, 55.1, 41.4, one carbon missing due to overlap, overlapped signal at 128.6 ppm; IR (KBr) (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 3450s, 2925w, 1675m, 1654m, 1160m, 1602w; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>20</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>S [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 406.1108; found 406.1107.



To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1f** (63.1 mg, 0.20 mmol), acyl chloride **2a** (46.4  $\mu$ L, 0.40 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 M), and SnCl<sub>4</sub> (60.0  $\mu$ L, 0.06 mmol, 1.0 M in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) at 50 °C. The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50 °C for 3.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 10:1~6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **4f** (73.7 mg, 0.18 mmol) in 91% yield.

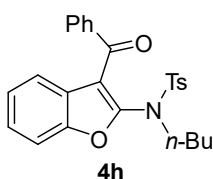
**4f**:  $R_f$  = 0.29 [6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid; mp = 129–130 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.86-7.83 (m, 2H), 7.70 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz), 7.63-7.59 (m, 1H), 7.53 (d, 2H,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz),

7.51-7.47 (m, 2H), 7.42-7.40 (m, 1H), 7.36 (td, 1H,  $J = 7.0, 1.4$  Hz), 7.31-7.27 (m, 1H), 7.19 (d, 2H,  $J = 8.1$  Hz), 3.19 (s, 3H), 2.37 (s, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  190.5, 151.5, 150.8, 144.6, 138.2, 134.5, 133.0, 129.9, 129.5, 128.4, 127.9, 126.7, 125.9, 124.3, 122.2, 114.2, 111.3, 37.1, 21.7; IR (KBr) ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3430s, 2844w, 1654s, 1449s, 1235w, 1169s; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{20}\text{NO}_4\text{S}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 406.1108; found 406.1109.



To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1g**<sup>3</sup> (68.7 mg, 0.20 mmol), acyl chloride **2a** (46.4  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.40 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 *M*), and  $\text{SnCl}_4$  (60.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.06 mmol, 1.0 *M* in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) at 50  $^\circ\text{C}$ . The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50  $^\circ\text{C}$  for 2.5 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 20:1~15:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **4g** (78.8 mg, 0.18 mmol) in 91% yield.

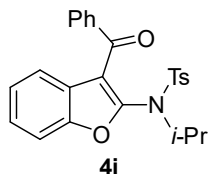
**4g**:  $R_f = 0.35$  [10:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid; mp = 89–90  $^\circ\text{C}$ ;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.86-7.83 (m, 2H), 7.63-7.58 (m, 3H), 7.49-7.42 (m, 4H), 7.39-7.34 (m, 1H), 7.26-7.22 (m, 1H), 7.15 (d, 2H,  $J = 8.0$  Hz), 3.59-3.56 (m, 2H), 2.33 (s, 3H), 1.63-1.55 (m, 2H), 0.87 (t, 3H,  $J = 7.3$  Hz);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  190.3, 151.6, 149.6, 144.3, 138.0, 135.7, 133.3, 129.83, 129.82, 128.5, 127.9, 126.8, 125.9, 124.1, 122.0, 116.2, 111.5, 52.9, 22.1, 21.7, 11.3; IR (KBr) ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3438w, 1649s, 1597s, 1448s, 1358s, 1234m, 1172s, 1107m; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{24}\text{NO}_4\text{S}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 434.1421; found 434.1422.



To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1h** (71.5 mg, 0.20 mmol), acyl chloride **2a** (46.4  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.40 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 *M*), and  $\text{SnCl}_4$  (60.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.06 mmol, 1.0 *M* in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) at 50  $^\circ\text{C}$ . The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50  $^\circ\text{C}$  for 4.5 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 10:1~6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **4h** (80.2 mg, 0.18 mmol) in 90% yield.

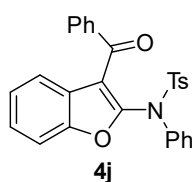
**4h**:  $R_f = 0.35$  [6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; colorless oil;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.86-7.83 (m, 2H), 7.63-7.58 (m, 3H), 7.49-7.42 (m, 4H), 7.36 (td, 1H,  $J = 7.2, 1.3$  Hz), 7.26-7.24 (m, 1H), 7.14 (d,

2H,  $J = 8.1$  Hz), 3.61 (t, 2H,  $J = 7.6$  Hz), 2.32 (s, 3H), 1.59-1.51 (m, 2H), 1.32-1.26 (m, 2H), 0.84 (t, 3H,  $J = 7.4$  Hz);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  190.3, 151.6, 149.6, 144.3, 138.0, 135.6, 133.2, 129.81, 129.79, 128.5, 127.9, 126.8, 125.9, 124.1, 122.0, 116.2, 111.5, 51.0, 30.8, 21.7, 19.9, 13.8; IR (KBr) ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3435s, 3608w, 2928m, 1167s, 1606s, 1449w; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{26}\text{NO}_4\text{S}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 448.1577; found 448.1577.



To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1i** (68.7 mg, 0.20 mmol), acyl chloride **2a** (46.4  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.40 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 *M*), and  $\text{SnCl}_4$  (60.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.06 mmol, 1.0 *M* in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) at 50  $^\circ\text{C}$ . The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50  $^\circ\text{C}$  for 4.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 20:1~15:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **4i** (67.3 mg, 0.16 mmol) in 78% yield.

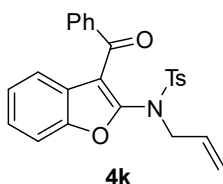
**4i**:  $R_f = 0.37$  [10:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid; mp = 120–121  $^\circ\text{C}$ ;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.95-7.92 (m, 2H), 7.79 (d, 2H,  $J = 8.3$  Hz), 7.64-7.60 (m, 1H), 7.52-7.46 (m, 3H), 7.41-7.36 (m, 2H), 7.26-7.22 (m, 3H), 4.22-4.12 (m, 1H), 2.37 (s, 3H), 1.09 (d, 6H,  $J = 6.7$  Hz);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  190.3, 151.8, 146.9, 144.2, 137.8, 136.7, 133.5, 130.1, 129.8, 128.6, 128.3, 126.7, 126.1, 123.9, 122.0, 119.2, 111.7, 54.2, 21.9, 21.7; IR (KBr) ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3442w, 1653s, 1597s, 1451s, 1342s, 1231m, 1123m; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{24}\text{NO}_4\text{S}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 434.1421; found 434.1424.



To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1j**<sup>3</sup> (75.5 mg, 0.20 mmol), acyl chloride **2a** (46.4  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.40 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 *M*), and  $\text{SnCl}_4$  (60.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.06 mmol, 1.0 *M* in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) at 50  $^\circ\text{C}$ . The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50  $^\circ\text{C}$  for 3.5 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 10:1~6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **4j** (63.7 mg, 0.14 mmol) in 68% yield.

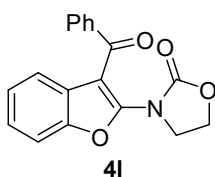
**4j**:  $R_f = 0.43$  [6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid, mp = 200–201  $^\circ\text{C}$ ;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.92-7.89 (m, 2H), 7.72-7.66 (m, 2H), 7.56-7.52 (m, 4H), 7.48 (d, 1H,  $J = 8.2$  Hz), 7.39 (td, 1H,  $J = 7.2, 1.4$  Hz), 7.30 (td, 1H,  $J = 7.8, 1.2$  Hz), 7.23-7.15 (m, 5H), 6.91-6.88 (m, 2H), 2.41 (s,

3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  190.5, 151.8, 150.6, 144.7, 138.8, 138.4, 135.3, 133.3, 129.9, 129.6, 129.2, 128.69, 128.65, 128.60, 126.8, 126.2, 124.4, 122.5, 115.1, 111.4, 21.8, one carbon missing due to overlap, overlapped signal at 128.69 ppm; IR (KBr) ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3442s, 2847w, 1664s, 1453m, 1241m, 1167s, 1072w; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{22}\text{NO}_4\text{S}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 468.1264; found 468.1264.



To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1k** (68.3 mg, 0.20 mmol), acyl chloride **2a** (46.4  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.40 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 M), and  $\text{SnCl}_4$  (60.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.06 mmol, 1.0 M in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) at 50  $^\circ\text{C}$ . The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50  $^\circ\text{C}$  for 4.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 10:1~6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **4k** (45.5 mg, 0.11 mmol) in 53% yield.

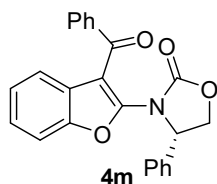
**4k**:  $R_f$  = 0.37 [6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid; mp = 100-101  $^\circ\text{C}$ ;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.85-7.83 (m, 2H), 7.63-7.59 (m, 3H), 7.51-7.43 (m, 4H), 7.36 (td, 1H,  $J$  = 7.2, 1.4 Hz), 7.27-7.23 (m, 1H), 7.17 (d, 2H,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz), 5.85-5.75 (m, 1H), 5.20 (dd, 1H,  $J$  = 17.1, 1.4 Hz), 5.11 (dd, 1H,  $J$  = 10.1, 1.2 Hz), 4.22 (d, 2H,  $J$  = 6.7 Hz), 2.35 (s, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  190.3, 151.6, 149.6, 144.5, 138.1, 135.5, 133.2, 131.8, 129.9, 129.8, 128.5, 128.0, 126.7, 125.9, 124.1, 122.2, 126.5, 116.0, 111.5, 53.6, 21.7; IR (KBr) ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3442s, 2850w, 1649s, 1448m, 1168s, 1059w; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{22}\text{NO}_4\text{S}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 432.1264; found 432.1264.



To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1l** (43.4 mg, 0.20 mmol), acyl chloride **2a** (46.4  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.40 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 M), and  $\text{SnCl}_4$  (60.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.06 mmol, 1.0 M in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) at 50  $^\circ\text{C}$ . The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50  $^\circ\text{C}$  for 1.5 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 4:1~2:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **4l** (55.4 mg, 0.18 mmol) in 90% yield.

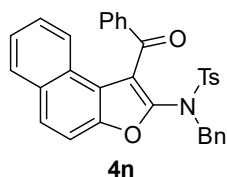
**4l**:  $R_f$  = 0.19 [2:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid, mp = 178-179  $^\circ\text{C}$ ;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.87-7.84 (m, 2H), 7.61-7.53 (m, 2H), 7.50-7.46 (m, 3H), 7.34 (td, 1H,  $J$  = 7.5, 1.4 Hz),

7.28-7.24 (m, 1H), 4.38 (t, 2H,  $J = 7.4$  Hz), 4.12 (t, 2H,  $J = 8.4$  Hz);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  190.3, 153.9, 151.0, 149.2, 138.6, 133.1, 129.1, 128.6, 126.8, 125.3, 124.5, 121.7, 111.2, 109.3, 63.1, 45.7; IR (KBr) ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3445s, 2848w, 1770s, 1597s, 1382w, 1023w; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{14}\text{NO}_4$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 308.0918; found 308.0917.



To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1m** (58.7 mg, 0.20 mmol), acyl chloride **2a** (46.4  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.40 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 *M*), and  $\text{SnCl}_4$  (60.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.06 mmol, 1.0 *M* in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) at 50  $^\circ\text{C}$ . The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50  $^\circ\text{C}$  for 2.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 4:1~2:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **4m** (63.6 mg, 0.17 mmol) in 83% yield.

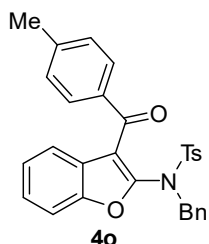
**4m**:  $R_f = 0.38$  [2:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; colorless oil;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.74-7.72 (m, 2H), 7.62-7.57 (m, 1H), 7.47-7.43 (m, 2H), 7.40-7.35 (m, 3H), 7.33-7.27 (m, 3H), 7.26-7.22 (m, 2H), 7.15-7.11 (m, 1H), 5.48 (t, 1H,  $J = 8.3$  Hz), 4.70 (t, 1H,  $J = 8.8$  Hz), 4.27 (t, 1H,  $J = 8.1$  Hz);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  190.2, 154.0, 151.1, 148.7, 138.5, 136.2, 133.1, 129.5, 129.33, 129.28, 128.6, 127.4, 126.5, 125.1, 124.1, 121.5, 111.3, 110.5, 71.0, 60.9; IR (KBr) ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3439s, 2926w, 1778s, 1655m, 1411m, 1114w; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{18}\text{NO}_4$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 384.1230; found 384.1221.



To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1n** (88.3 mg, 0.20 mmol), acyl chloride **2a** (46.4  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.40 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 *M*), and  $\text{SnCl}_4$  (60.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.06 mmol, 1.0 *M* in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) at 50  $^\circ\text{C}$ . The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50  $^\circ\text{C}$  for 45.0 minutes. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 10:1~6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **4n** (89.4 mg, 0.17 mmol) in 84% yield.

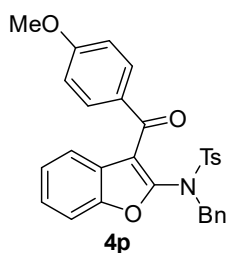
**4n**:  $R_f = 0.31$  [6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid; mp = 63–64  $^\circ\text{C}$ ;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.85 (d, 1H,  $J = 8.0$  Hz), 7.77 (d, 1H,  $J = 9.0$  Hz), 7.70-7.67 (m, 2H), 7.64 (d, 1H,  $J = 8.4$  Hz), 7.59 (d, 2H,  $J = 8.2$  Hz), 7.55-7.50 (m, 2H), 7.39-7.35 (m, 1H), 7.31-7.22 (m, 3H), 7.17-7.12 (m, 7H),

4.78 (s, 2H), 2.34 (s, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  191.4, 149.5, 146.2, 144.4, 137.5, 135.5, 134.5, 133.5, 131.0, 130.0, 129.8, 129.4, 129.1, 128.64, 128.59, 128.3, 128.0, 127.8, 127.2, 126.8, 125.1, 124.7, 121.1, 118.7, 112.0, 55.1, 21.7; IR (KBr) ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3438s, 2922w, 1629w, 1575w, 1360m, 1114s; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{33}\text{H}_{26}\text{NO}_4\text{S}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 532.1577; found 532.1589.



To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1a** (78.3 mg, 0.20 mmol), acyl chloride **2b** (52.9  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.40 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 *M*), and  $\text{SnCl}_4$  (60.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.06 mmol, 1.0 *M* in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) at 50  $^\circ\text{C}$ . The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50  $^\circ\text{C}$  for 3.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 10:1~6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **4o** (95.2 mg, 0.19 mmol) in 95% yield.

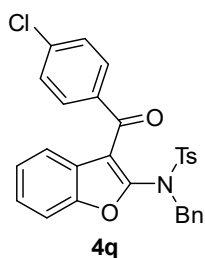
**4o**:  $R_f$  = 0.34 [6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid; mp = 105–106  $^\circ\text{C}$ ;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.62 (d, 2H,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz), 7.51 (d, 2H,  $J$  = 7.1 Hz), 7.41 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 8.2 Hz), 7.37 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 7.9 Hz), 7.33–7.29 (m, 1H), 7.25–7.14 (m, 10H), 4.80 (s, 2H), 2.43 (s, 3H), 2.34 (s, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  189.6, 151.5, 148.9, 144.5, 143.9, 135.4, 135.3, 134.6, 129.90, 129.87, 129.4, 129.1, 128.6, 128.3, 128.0, 126.9, 125.7, 123.9, 122.1, 115.9, 111.3, 54.4, 22.0, 21.7; IR (KBr) ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3425s, 2852w, 1652s, 1459m, 1167s, 1019w; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{26}\text{NO}_4\text{S}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 496.1577; found 496.1575.



To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1a** (78.3 mg, 0.20 mmol), acyl chloride **2c** (68.2 mg, 0.40 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 *M*), and  $\text{SnCl}_4$  (60.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.06 mmol, 1.0 *M* in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) at 50  $^\circ\text{C}$ . The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50  $^\circ\text{C}$  for 3.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 10:1~6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **4p** (96.2 mg, 0.19 mmol) in 94% yield.

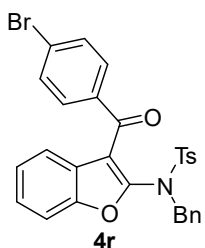


**4p**:  $R_f = 0.26$  [6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid; mp = 51–52 °C;  $^1\text{H NMR}$  (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.63–7.59 (m, 4H), 7.41–7.38 (m, 2H), 7.30 (td, 1H,  $J = 7.2, 1.1$  Hz), 7.25–7.18 (m, 6H), 7.16 (d, 2H,  $J = 7.9$  Hz), 6.82 (dt, 2H,  $J = 8.9, 2.8$  Hz), 4.81 (s, 2H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 2.33 (s, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C NMR}$  (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  188.4, 163.6, 151.4, 148.5, 144.5, 135.4, 134.6, 132.1, 130.6, 129.8, 129.3, 128.6, 128.3, 128.0, 127.0, 125.7, 123.9, 122.0, 115.9, 113.6, 111.3, 55.6, 54.4, 21.7; IR (KBr) ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3435s, 2925w, 1651w, 1450w, 1169m; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{26}\text{NO}_5\text{S}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 512.1526; found 512.1526.



To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1a** (78.3 mg, 0.20 mmol), acyl chloride **2d** (51.1  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.40 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 *M*), and  $\text{SnCl}_4$  (60.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.06 mmol, 1.0 *M* in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) at 50 °C. The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50 °C for 4.5 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 10:1~6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **4q** (84.6 mg, 0.16 mmol) in 82% yield.

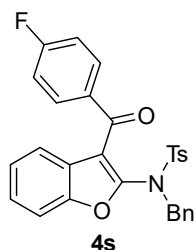
**4q**:  $R_f = 0.36$  [6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid; mp = 64–65 °C;  $^1\text{H NMR}$  (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.57 (d, 2H,  $J = 8.3$  Hz), 7.50 (d, 1H,  $J = 7.8$  Hz), 7.46 (d, 2H,  $J = 8.2$  Hz), 7.41 (d, 1H,  $J = 8.2$  Hz), 7.33 (td, 1H,  $J = 7.3, 1.1$  Hz), 7.28–7.19 (m, 10 H), 4.75 (s, 2H), 2.37 (s, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C NMR}$  (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  188.9, 151.5, 148.9, 144.8, 139.1, 136.2, 135.1, 134.2, 131.0, 129.97, 129.62, 128.74, 128.67, 128.56, 128.0, 126.8, 125.9, 124.2, 122.0, 115.2, 111.3, 53.8, 21.7; IR (KBr) ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3433s, 2850w, 1652m, 1366m, 1168s, 882m; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{23}\text{ClNO}_4\text{S}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 516.1031; found 516.1031.



To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1a** (78.3 mg, 0.20 mmol), acyl chloride **2e** (87.8 mg, 0.40 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 *M*), and  $\text{SnCl}_4$  (60.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.06 mmol, 1.0 *M* in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) at 50 °C. The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50 °C for 3.5 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by

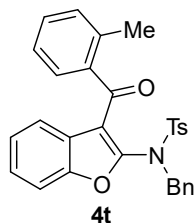
flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 10:1~6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **4r** (91.1 mg, 0.16 mmol) in 81% yield.

**4r**:  $R_f$  = 0.41 [6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid; mp = 47–48 °C;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.57 (d, 2H,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz), 7.50 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 7.4 Hz), 7.45–7.37 (m, 5H), 7.34 (td, 1H,  $J$  = 7.4, 1.4 Hz), 7.26–7.20 (m, 8H), 4.75 (s, 2H), 2.38 (s, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  189.1, 151.5, 148.9, 144.8, 136.7, 135.1, 134.2, 131.7, 131.1, 130.0, 129.6, 128.8, 128.6, 128.0, 127.8, 126.8, 125.9, 124.3, 122.0, 115.2, 111.3, 53.8, 21.8; IR (KBr) ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3442s, 3032w, 2852w, 1653m, 1365m, 1168m, 1010w; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{23}\text{BrNO}_4\text{S}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 560.0526; found 560.0523.



To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1a** (78.3 mg, 0.20 mmol), acyl chloride **2f** (47.3  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.40 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 M), and  $\text{SnCl}_4$  (60.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.06 mmol, 1.0 M in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) at 50 °C. The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50 °C for 5.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 10:1~6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **4s** (80.9 mg, 0.16 mmol) in 81% yield.

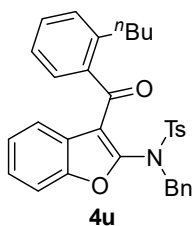
**4s**:  $R_f$  = 0.40 [6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid, mp = 122–123 °C;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.60–7.54 (m, 4H), 7.50 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 7.8 Hz), 7.42 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 8.2 Hz), 7.33 (td, 1H,  $J$  = 7.2, 1.4 Hz), 7.25–7.20 (m, 8H), 6.98 (t, 2H,  $J$  = 8.7 Hz), 4.75 (s, 2H), 2.37 (s, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  188.6, 165.6 (d,  $J$  = 252.4 Hz), 151.5, 148.7, 144.7, 135.1, 134.21, 134.18 (d,  $J$  = 2.9 Hz), 132.2 (d,  $J$  = 9.1 Hz), 130.0, 129.6, 128.7, 128.5, 128.0, 126.9, 125.9, 124.2, 122.0, 115.5 (d,  $J$  = 21.8), 115.4, 111.3, 53.8, 21.7; IR (KBr) ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3428m, 2850w, 1652s, 1362m, 1169s, 930w; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{23}\text{FNO}_4\text{S}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 500.1326; found 500.1325.



To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1a** (79.7 mg, 0.20 mmol), acyl chloride **2g** (52.2  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.40 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 M), and  $\text{SnCl}_4$  (60.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.06 mmol, 1.0 M in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) at 50 °C. The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50 °C for 3.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and

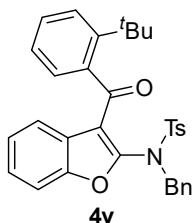
filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 10:1~8:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **4t** (85.3 mg, 0.17 mmol) in 86% yield.

**4t**:  $R_f$  = 0.38 [10:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; colorless oil;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.60 (d, 2H,  $J$  = 8.3 Hz), 7.42-7.28 (m, 5H), 7.24-7.14 (m, 8H), 7.05-6.97 (m, 2H), 4.70 (s, 2H), 2.391 (s, 3H), 2.386 (s, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  192.1, 151.4, 150.0, 144.6, 138.6, 138.0, 135.3, 134.2, 131.4, 131.0, 129.9, 129.5, 129.4, 128.6, 128.3, 128.1, 126.6, 125.7, 125.5, 124.2, 122.1, 116.2, 111.2, 53.7, 21.8, 20.1; IR (KBr) ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3450w, 1651m, 1597m, 1451s, 1366s, 1168s, 1089m; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{26}\text{NO}_4\text{S}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 496.1577; found 496.1565.



To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1a** (79.7 mg, 0.20 mmol), acyl chloride **2h** (78.7 mg, 0.40 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 M), and  $\text{SnCl}_4$  (60.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.06 mmol, 1.0 M in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) at 50  $^\circ\text{C}$ . The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50  $^\circ\text{C}$  for 3.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 30:1~20:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **4u** (90.6 mg, 0.17 mmol) in 84% yield.

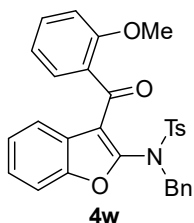
**4u**:  $R_f$  = 0.30 [10:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; colorless oil;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.67 (d, 2H,  $J$  = 8.3 Hz), 7.43-7.40 (m, 2H), 7.35-7.27 (m, 3H), 7.24 (s, 1H), 7.19-7.12 (m, 6H), 7.08-7.05 (m, 2H), 6.98-6.96 (m, 1H), 4.76 (s, 2H), 2.69 (t, 2H,  $J$  = 7.8 Hz), 2.41 (s, 3H), 1.57-1.51 (m, 2H), 1.32-1.25 (m, 2H), 0.85 (t, 3H,  $J$  = 7.3 Hz);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  192.0, 151.5, 150.6, 144.6, 142.6, 138.8, 135.6, 134.5, 130.9, 130.5, 129.9, 129.3, 129.2, 128.6, 128.28, 128.26, 126.4, 125.7, 125.5, 124.1, 122.1, 116.2, 111.4, 53.9, 34.1, 32.9, 22.9, 21.8, 14.1; IR (KBr) ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3450w, 1660m, 1598m, 1451m, 1365s, 1168s, 1090w; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{33}\text{H}_{32}\text{NO}_4\text{S}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 538.2047; found 538.2042.



To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1a** (79.7 mg, 0.20 mmol), acyl chloride **2i** (78.7 mg, 0.40 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 M), and  $\text{SnCl}_4$  (60.0  $\mu\text{L}$ ,

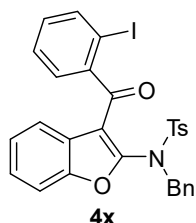
0.06 mmol, 1.0 M in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) at 50 °C. The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50 °C for 3.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 30:1~20:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **4v** (94.6 mg, 0.18 mmol) in 88% yield.

**4v**:  $R_f$  = 0.35 [10:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; colorless oil; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.88 (d, 2H,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz), 7.57 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 7.8 Hz), 7.40 (d, 2H,  $J$  = 8.2 Hz), 7.32 (d, 2H,  $J$  = 8.1 Hz), 7.28-7.26 (m, 2H), 7.23-7.10 (m, 5H), 6.93 (t, 1H,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz), 6.72 (dd, 1H,  $J$  = 7.6, 1.1 Hz), 6.15 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 7.9 Hz), 4.98 (s, 2H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 1.30 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 193.0, 152.2, 151.5, 147.5, 144.5, 140.6, 136.1, 134.9, 129.9, 129.7, 128.58, 128.56, 128.3, 128.1, 127.5, 127.2, 125.7, 125.5, 125.4, 123.9, 121.6, 115.4, 111.6, 53.3, 36.3, 32.1, 21.8; IR (KBr) (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 3442w, 1666m, 1556m, 1451s, 1365s, 1168s, 1090m; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for C<sub>33</sub>H<sub>32</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>S [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 538.2047; found 538.2036.



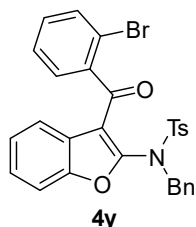
To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1a** (78.3 mg, 0.20 mmol), acyl chloride **2j** (57.6 μL, 0.40 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 M), and SnCl<sub>4</sub> (60.0 μL, 0.06 mmol, 1.0 M in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) at 50 °C. The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50 °C for 4.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 8:1~4:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **4w** (85.2 mg, 0.17 mmol) in 83% yield.

**4w**:  $R_f$  = 0.19 [6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid; mp = 72–73 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.71 (d, 2H,  $J$  = 8.3 Hz), 7.49 (td, 1H,  $J$  = 8.3, 1.7 Hz), 7.38 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 8.3 Hz), 7.28-7.24 (m, 2H), 7.21 (d, 2H,  $J$  = 8.1 Hz), 7.16-7.09 (m, 7H), 6.99-6.92 (m, 2H), 4.77 (s, 2H), 3.55 (s, 3H), 2.36 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 189.4, 157.8, 151.3, 150.5, 144.3, 135.9, 134.9, 132.9, 130.2, 129.7, 129.4, 128.9, 128.5, 128.2, 128.0, 126.1, 125.5, 123.9, 121.5, 120.5, 116.7, 111.6, 111.3, 55.6, 54.3, 21.7; IR (KBr) (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 3442s, 2848w, 1655s, 1485w, 1249m, 1103m; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>26</sub>NO<sub>5</sub>S [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 512.1526; found 512.1526.



To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1a** (78.3 mg, 0.20 mmol), acyl chloride **2k** (55.2  $\mu$ L, 0.40 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 M), and SnCl<sub>4</sub> (60.0  $\mu$ L, 0.06 mmol, 1.0 M in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) at 50 °C. The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50 °C for 4.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 10:1~6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **4x** (103.8 mg, 0.17 mmol) in 85% yield.

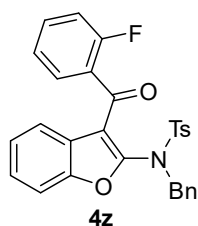
**4x**:  $R_f$  = 0.36 [6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid; mp = 90–91 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.87 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 7.9 Hz), 7.63 (d, 2H,  $J$  = 8.3 Hz), 7.42–7.30 (m, 4H), 7.26–7.20 (m, 5H), 7.19–7.13 (m, 3H), 7.10–7.08 (m, 2H), 4.69 (s, 2H), 2.41 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  191.2, 151.5, 151.3, 144.7, 143.9, 140.1, 135.5, 134.3, 131.7, 129.9, 129.8, 129.2, 128.7, 128.4, 128.24, 128.15, 126.2, 126.0, 124.5, 122.1, 114.8, 111.3, 92.5, 53.8, 21.8; IR (KBr) (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 3442s, 2845w, 1663m, 1451m, 1366m, 1265m, 1016w; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>23</sub>INO<sub>4</sub>S [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 608.0387; found 608.0383.



To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1a** (78.3 mg, 0.20 mmol), acyl chloride **2l** (52.8  $\mu$ L, 0.40 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 M), and SnCl<sub>4</sub> (60.0  $\mu$ L, 0.06 mmol, 1.0 M in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) at 50 °C. The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50 °C for 4.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 10:1~6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **4y** (93.4 mg, 0.17 mmol) in 83% yield.

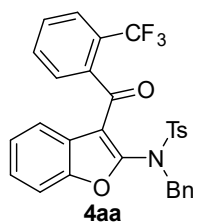
**4y**:  $R_f$  = 0.34 [6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid; mp = 118–119 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.63 (d, 2H,  $J$  = 8.2 Hz), 7.58–7.56 (m, 1H), 7.41 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 8.2 Hz), 7.37–7.32 (m, 3H), 7.31–7.23 (m, 4H), 7.21–7.13 (m, 4H), 7.09–7.07 (m, 2H), 4.68 (s, 2H), 2.42 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  189.9, 151.5, 151.2, 144.7, 140.8, 135.5, 134.3, 133.5, 131.7, 130.2, 129.9, 129.2, 128.7, 128.3, 128.2, 127.5, 126.010, 125.995, 124.5, 122.0, 119.9, 115.5, 111.3, 53.8, 21.8; IR (KBr)

(cm<sup>-1</sup>) 3446s, 2853w, 1654m, 1385w, 1265w, 1168s, 1057w; HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>23</sub>BrNO<sub>4</sub>S [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 560.0526; found 560.0522.



To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1a** (78.3 mg, 0.20 mmol), acyl chloride **2m** (47.3  $\mu$ L, 0.40 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 M), and SnCl<sub>4</sub> (60.0  $\mu$ L, 0.06 mmol, 1.0 M in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) at 50 °C. The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50 °C for 5.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 10:1~6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **4z** (82.8 mg, 0.17 mmol) in 83% yield.

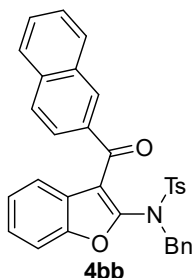
**4z**:  $R_f$  = 0.37 [6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; colorless oil; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.57 (d, 2H,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz), 7.53-7.47 (m, 2H), 7.40 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 8.2 Hz), 7.36-7.30 (m, 2H), 7.24-7.18 (m, 8H), 7.12 (td, 1H,  $J$  = 7.6, 0.9 Hz), 7.06-7.01 (m, 1H), 4.72 (s, 2H), 2.37 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  187.0, 160.5 (d,  $J$  = 254.0 Hz), 151.4, 150.3, 144.6, 135.3, 134.2, 133.5 (d,  $J$  = 8.6 Hz), 131.1 (d,  $J$  = 2.1 Hz), 129.9, 129.4, 128.6, 128.4, 128.0, 127.7 (d,  $J$  = 12.1 Hz), 126.2, 125.9, 124.4, 124.1 (d,  $J$  = 3.8 Hz), 121.8, 116.4 (d,  $J$  = 21.4 Hz), 116.3, 111.3, 53.9, 21.7; IR (KBr) (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 3428s, 2850w, 1655m, 1451s, 1292w, 1168s, 1006w; HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>23</sub>FNO<sub>4</sub>S [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 500.1326; found 500.1323.



To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1a** (78.3 mg, 0.20 mmol), acyl chloride **2n** (52.9  $\mu$ L, 0.40 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 M), and SnCl<sub>4</sub> (60.0  $\mu$ L, 0.06 mmol, 1.0 M in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) at 50 °C. The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50 °C for 8.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 10:1~6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **4aa** (83.3 mg, 0.15 mmol) in 76% yield.

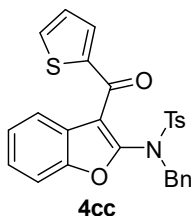
**4aa**:  $R_f$  = 0.30 [6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid; mp = 122–123 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.77 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 7.7 Hz), 7.70 (d, 2H,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz), 7.62 (t, 1H,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz), 7.55 (t, 1H,  $J$  = 7.5 Hz), 7.41 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 8.3 Hz), 7.32-7.23 (m, 4H), 7.17-7.07 (m, 6H), 6.98 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz),

4.74 (s, 2H), 2.42 (s, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  189.0, 152.0, 151.5, 144.8, 138.8 (q,  $J = 2.0$  Hz), 135.6, 134.3, 131.9, 130.4, 129.9, 128.9, 128.8, 128.6, 128.29, 128.27, 127.8 (q,  $J = 32.1$  Hz), 127.0 (q,  $J = 4.8$  Hz), 126.0, 125.7, 124.5, 123.7 (q,  $J = 272.5$  Hz), 121.8, 115.2, 111.5, 54.0, 21.8; IR (KBr) ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3446s, 2854w, 1667m, 1558m, 1314m, 1067w; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{23}\text{F}_3\text{NO}_4\text{S}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 550.1294; found 550.1293.



To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1a** (78.3 mg, 0.20 mmol), acyl chloride **2o** (76.3 mg, 0.40 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 M), and  $\text{SnCl}_4$  (60.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.06 mmol, 1.0 M in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) at 50  $^\circ\text{C}$ . The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50  $^\circ\text{C}$  for 1.5 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 10:1~6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **4bb** (100.8 mg, 0.19 mmol) in 95% yield.

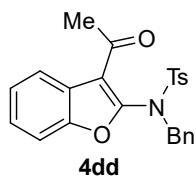
**4bb**:  $R_f = 0.31$  [6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; colorless oil;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.13 (s, 1H), 7.90 (d, 1H,  $J = 8.2$  Hz), 7.85 (d, 1H,  $J = 8.6$  Hz), 7.79 (d, 1H,  $J = 8.2$  Hz), 7.77-7.74 (m, 1H), 7.66 (d, 2H,  $J = 8.1$  Hz), 7.63-7.59 (m, 1H), 7.54-7.50 (m, 1H), 7.45 (d, 1H,  $J = 8.3$  Hz), 7.35-7.30 (m, 2H), 7.18-7.10 (m, 8H), 4.79 (s, 2H), 2.23 (s, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  189.8, 151.6, 149.3, 144.5, 135.8, 135.4, 135.2, 134.6, 132.4, 131.8, 130.0, 129.8, 129.2, 128.68, 128.64, 128.32, 128.29, 128.16, 127.9, 126.81, 126.75, 125.8, 125.2, 124.0, 122.0, 116.0, 111.5, 54.8, 21.6; IR (KBr) ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3434m, 2848w, 1653m, 1451m, 1362s, 1089m; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{33}\text{H}_{26}\text{NO}_4\text{S}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 532.1577; found 532.1577.



To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1a** (78.3 mg, 0.20 mmol), acyl chloride **2p** (42.8  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.40 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 M), and  $\text{SnCl}_4$  (60.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.06 mmol, 1.0 M in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) at 50  $^\circ\text{C}$ . The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50  $^\circ\text{C}$  for 2.5 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 10:1~6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford

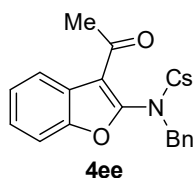
3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **4cc** (88.8 mg, 0.18 mmol) in 92% yield.

**4cc**:  $R_f$  = 0.32 [6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid; mp = 125–126 °C;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.64 (dd, 1H,  $J$  = 4.9, 1.2 Hz), 7.64–7.62 (m, 2H), 7.53 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 7.5 Hz), 7.41 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 8.3 Hz), 7.32 (td, 1H,  $J$  = 7.2, 1.2 Hz), 7.27–7.19 (m, 6H), 7.17–7.14 (m, 3H), 6.96 (dd, 1H,  $J$  = 4.9, 3.7 Hz), 4.86 (s, 2H), 2.35 (s, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  181.4, 151.5, 148.3, 144.6, 144.3, 135.4, 135.0, 134.6, 134.5, 129.8, 129.3, 128.7, 128.4, 128.03, 127.96, 126.5, 125.9, 124.0, 121.8, 115.9, 111.4, 54.8, 21.7; IR (KBr) ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3449s, 2854w, 1654w, 1355w, 1169m, 1089w; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{22}\text{NO}_4\text{S}_2$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 488.0983; found 488.0985.



To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1a** (78.3 mg, 0.20 mmol), acyl chloride **2q** (28.4  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.40 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 *M*), and  $\text{SnCl}_4$  (60.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.06 mmol, 1.0 *M* in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) at 50 °C. The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50 °C for 1.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 12:1~8:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **4dd** (66.0 mg, 0.16 mmol) in 79% yield.

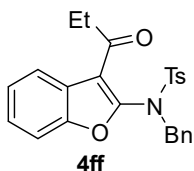
**4dd**:  $R_f$  = 0.39 [6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid; mp = 124–125 °C;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.18–8.15 (m, 1H), 7.66 (d, 2H,  $J$  = 8.3 Hz), 7.36–7.28 (m, 5H), 7.23–7.19 (m, 5H), 4.73 (s, 2H), 2.48 (s, 3H), 2.40 (s, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  194.7, 151.4, 149.9, 145.1, 134.7, 133.6, 130.1, 129.6, 128.87, 128.85, 128.29, 126.2, 125.8, 124.7, 123.7, 118.4, 110.7, 54.2, 29.1, 21.8; IR (KBr) ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3436m, 2926w, 1670s, 1449m, 1168s, 958w; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{22}\text{NO}_4\text{S}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 420.1264; found 420.1260.



To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1c** (82.4 mg, 0.20 mmol), acyl chloride **2q** (28.4  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.40 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 *M*), and  $\text{SnCl}_4$  (60.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.06 mmol, 1.0 *M* in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) at 50 °C. The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50 °C for 1.5 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 12:1~8:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **4ee** (70.8 mg, 0.16 mmol) in 80% yield.

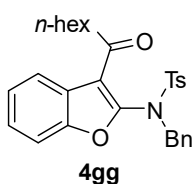


**4ee**:  $R_f = 0.49$  [6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid; mp = 136–137 °C;  $^1\text{H NMR}$  (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.17–8.14 (m, 1H), 7.71 (dt, 2H,  $J = 8.7, 2.4$  Hz), 7.52 (dt, 2H,  $J = 8.7, 2.4$  Hz), 7.39–7.30 (m, 3H), 7.25–7.20 (m, 5H), 4.75 (s, 2H), 2.39 (s, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C NMR}$  (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  194.4, 151.5, 149.3, 140.7, 136.3, 133.3, 129.8, 129.69, 129.67, 129.03, 128.97, 126.4, 125.7, 124.8, 123.8, 118.5, 110.8, 54.6, 29.2; IR (KBr) ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3441s, 2856w, 1665s, 1585m, 1371s, 1072m; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{19}\text{ClNO}_2\text{S}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 440.0718; found 440.0714.



To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1a** (78.3 mg, 0.20 mmol), acyl chloride **2r** (34.9  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.40 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 M), and  $\text{SnCl}_4$  (60.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.06 mmol, 1.0 M in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) at 50 °C. The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50 °C for 3.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 12:1~8:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **4ff** (73.1 mg, 0.17 mmol) in 84% yield.

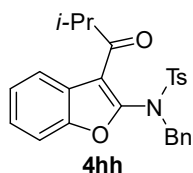
**4ff**:  $R_f = 0.38$  [6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid; mp = 75–76 °C;  $^1\text{H NMR}$  (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.15–8.13 (m, 1H), 7.66 (d, 2H,  $J = 8.4, 2.3$  Hz), 7.34–7.27 (m, 5H), 7.19–7.22 (m, 5H), 4.73 (s, 2H), 2.82 (q, 2H,  $J = 7.2$  Hz), 2.47 (s, 3H), 0.99 (t, 3H,  $J = 7.2$  Hz);  $^{13}\text{C NMR}$  (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  197.7, 151.5, 149.3, 145.0, 134.8, 133.8, 130.04, 129.60, 128.79, 128.77, 128.3, 126.1, 126.0, 124.6, 123.6, 118.0, 110.8, 54.3, 34.0, 21.8, 7.7; IR (KBr) ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3442s, 2850w, 1665s, 1449m, 1089m, 947w; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{24}\text{NO}_4\text{S}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 434.1421; found 434.1421.



To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1a** (78.3 mg, 0.20 mmol), acyl chloride **2s** (61.9  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.40 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 M), and  $\text{SnCl}_4$  (60.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.06 mmol, 1.0 M in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) at 50 °C. The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50 °C for 0.5 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 12:1~8:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **4gg** (75.0 mg, 0.15 mmol) in 77% yield.

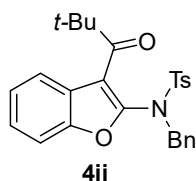
**4gg**:  $R_f = 0.43$  [6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; colorless oil;  $^1\text{H NMR}$  (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.15–8.13 (m, 1H), 7.67 (d, 2H,  $J = 8.1$  Hz), 7.35–7.30 (m, 5H), 7.24–7.20 (m, 5H), 4.74 (s, 2H), 2.76 (t, 2H,  $J =$

7.4 Hz), 2.48 (s, 3H), 1.52-1.45 (m, 2H), 1.33-1.20 (m, 6H), 0.90 (t, 3H,  $J = 6.8$  Hz);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  197.5, 151.5, 149.2, 145.0, 135.0, 134.0, 130.1, 129.7, 128.9, 128.8, 128.3, 126.12, 126.09, 124.6, 123.6, 118.2, 110.8, 54.2, 40.9, 31.9, 29.0, 23.6, 22.7, 21.9, 14.3; IR (KBr) ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3442s, 2851w, 1598m, 1365m, 1266w, 1168m; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{32}\text{NO}_4\text{S}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 490.2046; found 490.2043.



To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1a** (78.3 mg, 0.20 mmol), acyl chloride **2t** (41.4  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.40 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 M), and  $\text{SnCl}_4$  (60.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.06 mmol, 1.0 M in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) at 50  $^\circ\text{C}$ . The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50  $^\circ\text{C}$  for 45.0 minutes. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 12:1~8:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **4hh** (72.5 mg, 0.16 mmol) in 81% yield.

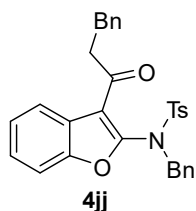
**4hh**:  $R_f = 0.38$  [6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid; mp = 124–125  $^\circ\text{C}$ ;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.04 (d, 1H,  $J = 7.1$  Hz), 7.60 (d, 2H,  $J = 8.4$  Hz), 7.33-7.28 (m, 5H), 7.27-7.24 (m, 2H), 7.23-7.20 (m, 3H), 4.76 (s, 2H), 3.60-3.50 (m, 1H), 2.45 (s, 3H), 0.91 (d, 6H,  $J = 6.8$  Hz);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  202.0, 151.5, 148.6, 144.9, 134.7, 134.0, 130.1, 129.6, 128.9, 128.7, 128.1, 126.4, 126.0, 124.4, 123.2, 116.7, 110.8, 53.7, 37.4, 21.8, 18.7, one carbon missing due to overlap, overlapped signal at 21.8 ppm; IR (KBr) ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3440s, 2853w, 1660s, 1451m, 1061m, 952w; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{26}\text{NO}_4\text{S}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 448.1577; found 448.1578.



To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1a** (78.3 mg, 0.20 mmol), acyl chloride **2u** (47.8  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.40 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 M), and  $\text{SnCl}_4$  (60.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.06 mmol, 1.0 M in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) at 50  $^\circ\text{C}$ . The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50  $^\circ\text{C}$  for 1.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 12:1~8:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **4ii** (75.7 mg, 0.16 mmol) in 82% yield.

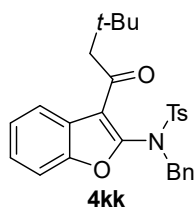
**4ii**:  $R_f = 0.44$  [6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid; mp = 117–118  $^\circ\text{C}$ ;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.60 (d, 2H,  $J = 8.3$  Hz), 7.43 (d, 1H,  $J = 7.9$  Hz), 7.32-7.25 (m, 4H), 7.24-7.22 (m, 3H),

7.21-7.18 (m, 3H), 4.80 (s, 2H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 1.16 (s, 9H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  206.3, 151.1, 144.6, 144.1, 135.4, 134.3, 129.9, 129.8, 128.6, 128.4, 127.9, 127.5, 125.5, 123.8, 121.4, 117.2, 111.0, 53.9, 45.2, 26.8, 21.8, two carbons missing due to overlap, overlapped signals at 26.8 ppm; IR (KBr) ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3442s, 2923m, 2852w, 1600m, 1356m, 1170s, 1012w; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{28}\text{NO}_4\text{S}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 462.1734; found 462.1732.



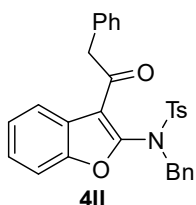
To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1a** (78.3 mg, 0.20 mmol), acyl chloride **2v** (61.3  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.40 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 *M*), and  $\text{SnCl}_4$  (60.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.06 mmol, 1.0 *M* in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) at 50  $^\circ\text{C}$ . The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50  $^\circ\text{C}$  for 3.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 12:1~8:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **4jj** (80.6 mg, 0.16 mmol) in 79% yield.

**4jj**:  $R_f$  = 0.39 [6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; mp = 102–103  $^\circ\text{C}$ ;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.15-8.12 (m, 1H), 7.64 (d, 2H,  $J$  = 8.3 Hz), 7.33-7.27 (m, 7H), 7.22-7.20 (m, 1H), 7.16 (d, 3H,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz), 7.13 (d, 2H,  $J$  = 7.1 Hz), 7.08-7.05 (m, 2H), 4.71 (s, 2H), 3.11 (t, 2H,  $J$  = 7.7 Hz), 2.89 (t, 2H,  $J$  = 7.1 Hz), 2.46 (s, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  196.1, 151.5, 149.4, 145.0, 141.4, 134.8, 133.7, 130.1, 129.6, 128.8, 128.7, 128.6, 128.4, 128.3, 126.2, 125.93, 125.92, 124.6, 123.5, 118.1, 110.8, 54.2, 42.0, 29.4, 21.8; IR (KBr) ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3448s, 2923w, 1668m, 1447m, 1165s, 1011w, 934w; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{28}\text{NO}_4\text{S}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 510.1730; found 510.1734.



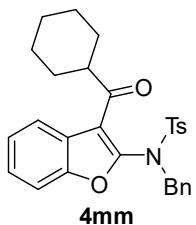
To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1a** (78.3 mg, 0.20 mmol), acyl chloride **2w** (56.1  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.40 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 *M*), and  $\text{SnCl}_4$  (60.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.06 mmol, 1.0 *M* in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) at 50  $^\circ\text{C}$ . The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50  $^\circ\text{C}$  for 2.5 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 12:1~8:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **4kk** (75.3 mg, 0.16 mmol) in 79% yield.

**4kk**:  $R_f = 0.44$  [6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid; mp = 164–165 °C;  $^1\text{H NMR}$  (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.10–8.07 (m, 1H), 7.60 (d, 2H,  $J = 8.4$  Hz), 7.32–7.31 (m, 3H), 7.30–7.22 (m, 7H), 4.76 (s, 2H), 2.69 (s, 2H), 2.45 (s, 3H), 0.84 (s, 9H);  $^{13}\text{C NMR}$  (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  197.3, 151.4, 148.5, 144.9, 134.9, 134.1, 130.1, 129.8, 129.0, 128.8, 128.1, 126.1, 126.0, 124.4, 123.3, 119.0, 110.7, 53.7, 52.4, 31.4, 29.7, 21.8, two carbons missing due to overlap, overlapped signals at 29.7 ppm; IR (KBr) ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3451s, 2928w, 1645m, 1452w, 1163m, 1008w; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{30}\text{NO}_4\text{S}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 476.1890; found 476.1887.



To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1a** (78.3 mg, 0.20 mmol), acyl chloride **2x** (52.9  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.40 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 M), and  $\text{SnCl}_4$  (60.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.06 mmol, 1.0 M in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) at 50 °C. The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50 °C for 45.0 minutes. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 10:1~6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **4ll** (78.6 mg, 0.16 mmol) in 79% yield.

**4ll**:  $R_f = 0.34$  [6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid; mp = 122–123 °C ;  $^1\text{H NMR}$  (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.12 (d, 1H,  $J = 7.6$  Hz), 7.67 (d, 2H,  $J = 8.2$  Hz), 7.35–7.32 (m, 4H), 7.31–7.26 (m, 6H), 7.25–7.21 (m, 3H), 6.97 (d, 2H,  $J = 7.2$  Hz), 4.79 (s, 2H), 4.13 (s, 2H), 2.48 (s, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C NMR}$  (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  194.4, 151.5, 149.6, 145.2, 134.7, 134.6, 133.9, 130.19, 130.15, 129.8, 129.1, 129.0, 128.34, 128.29, 126.7, 126.3, 126.0, 124.7, 123.7, 118.1, 110.7, 54.2, 47.1, 21.9; IR (KBr) ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3455s, 3092w, 2853w, 1671m, 1449m, 1282w, 1061m; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{26}\text{NO}_4\text{S}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 496.1577; found 496.1576.

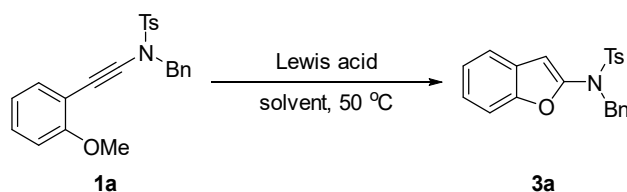


To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1a** (78.3 mg, 0.20 mmol), acyl chloride **2y** (53.7  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.40 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 M), and  $\text{SnCl}_4$  (60.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.06 mmol, 1.0 M in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) at 50 °C. The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50 °C for 2.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 10:1~6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford

3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **4mm** (62.7 mg, 0.13 mmol) in 64% yield.

**4mm**:  $R_f = 0.46$  [6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid; mp = 146–147 °C;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.08-8.06 (m, 1H), 7.65 (d, 2H,  $J = 8.1$  Hz), 7.33-7.28 (m, 5H), 7.25-7.21 (m, 5H), 4.73 (s, 2H), 3.33-3.26 (m, 1H), 2.47 (s, 3H), 1.73-1.67 (m, 4H), 1.34-1.17 (m, 6H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  201.3, 151.5, 148.7, 145.0, 134.8, 134.0, 130.1, 129.6, 128.9, 128.7, 128.3, 126.6, 126.0, 124.5, 123.4, 117.0, 110.7, 53.9, 47.5, 28.9, 26.1, 25.9, 21.9; IR (KBr) ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3446s, 2927m, 1669m, 1451m, 1165m, 950w; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{30}\text{NO}_4\text{S}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 488.1890; found 488.1888.

#### 1.4 Optimization of the Intramolecular Reaction (Table S2).



Entry <sup>a</sup>	Acid (equiv)	Solvent	Time (h)	Yield <sup>b</sup> (%)
1	$\text{SnCl}_4$ (0.3 eq)	DCE	26.0	62
2	$\text{SnCl}_4$ (0.6 eq)	DCE	7.0	68
3	$\text{ZnCl}_2$ (0.6 eq)	DCE	28.0	70 <sup>c</sup>
4	$\text{ZnBr}_2$ (0.6 eq)	DCE	30.0	68 <sup>d</sup>
5	$\text{FeCl}_3$ (0.6 eq)	DCE	8.0	49
6	$\text{AlCl}_3$ (0.6 eq)	DCE	47.0	40
7	$\text{BF}_3 \cdot \text{Et}_2\text{O}$ (0.6 eq)	DCE	30.0	28
8	$\text{SnCl}_4$ (1.0 eq)	DCE	4.0	51
9	$\text{ZnCl}_2$ (1.0 eq)	DCE	11.0	96
10	$\text{ZnBr}_2$ (1.0 eq)	DCE	14.0	84
11	$\text{ZnCl}_2$ (1.0 eq)	$\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$	23.0	86
12	$\text{ZnCl}_2$ (1.0 eq)	toluene	27.0	91
13	$\text{ZnCl}_2$ (1.0 eq)	THF	33.0	35
14	$\text{ZnCl}_2$ (1.0 eq)	EtOAc	28.0	53
15 <sup>e</sup>	$\text{ZnCl}_2$ (1.0 eq)	DCE	11.0	95

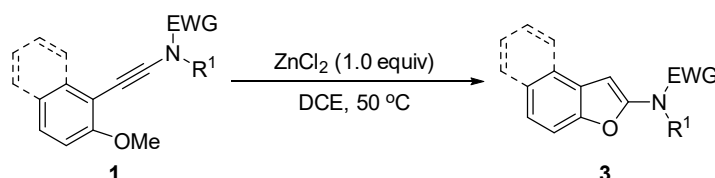
<sup>a</sup>Unless otherwise specified, reactions were carried out using **1a** (0.20 mmol) with Lewis acid in solvent (2.0 mL) at 50 °C. <sup>b</sup>Isolated yields. <sup>c</sup>Recovery of **1a**, 27%. <sup>d</sup>Recovery of **1a**, 30%. <sup>e</sup>**1a** (1.00 mmol) was added.

Entry 15: To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1a** (391.5 mg, 1.00 mmol), DCE (10.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 M), and  $\text{ZnCl}_2$  (136.3 mg, 1.00 mmol) at 50 °C. The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50 °C for 11.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography

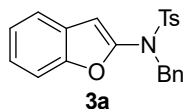
[gradient eluent: 15:1~10:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-unsubstituted 2-amidobenzofuran **3a** (358.5 mg, 0.95 mmol) in 95% yield.

## 1.5 Intramolecular Reaction of *o*-Anisole-Substituted Ynamides.

3-Unsubstituted 2-amidobenzofurans **3a**<sup>15</sup> and **3m**<sup>16</sup> were known compounds, the data were matched with the reported values. 3-Unsubstituted 2-amidobenzofurans **3b**, **3c**, **3d**, **3e**, **3f**, **3g**, **3h**, **3i**, **3j**, **3k**, **3l** and **3n** were new compounds.

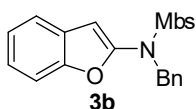


To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1a** (78.3 mg, 0.20 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 M), and ZnCl<sub>2</sub> (27.3 mg, 0.20 mmol) at 50 °C. The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50 °C for 11.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 15:1~10:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-unsubstituted 2-amidobenzofuran **3a** (72.4 mg, 0.19 mmol) in 96% yield.

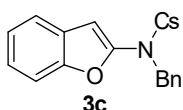


**3a**:  $R_f$  = 0.46 [8:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid; mp = 112–113 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.66 (d, 2H,  $J$  = 8.3 Hz), 7.46-7.43 (m, 1H), 7.31-7.29 (m, 4H), 7.27-7.24 (m, 3H), 7.23-7.21 (m, 2H), 7.17 (td, 1H,  $J$  = 7.4, 1.3 Hz), 6.48 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 0.6 Hz), 4.80 (s, 2H), 2.43 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  152.4, 147.8, 144.4, 135.8, 135.4, 129.9, 128.64, 128.57, 128.1, 128.0, 127.8, 124.6, 123.1, 121.3, 111.1, 103.1, 53.3, 21.8. Spectral data are in agreement with literature values.<sup>13</sup>

To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1b** (81.5 mg, 0.20 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 M), and ZnCl<sub>2</sub> (27.3 mg, 0.20 mmol) at 50 °C. The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50 °C for 9.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 12:1~8:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-unsubstituted 2-amidobenzofuran **3b** (63.6 mg, 0.16 mmol) in 81% yield.

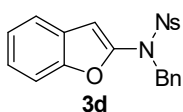


**3b:**  $R_f = 0.30$  [8:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid; mp = 127–128 °C;  $^1\text{H NMR}$  (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.70 (d, 2H,  $J = 8.4$  Hz), 7.43 (d, 1H,  $J = 7.6$  Hz), 7.31-7.29 (m, 3H), 7.26-7.19 (m, 4H), 7.16 (td, 1H,  $J = 7.2, 0.8$  Hz), 6.93 (dt, 2H,  $J = 8.9, 3.0$  Hz), 6.47-6.46 (m, 1H), 4.79 (s, 2H), 3.84 (s, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C NMR}$  (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  163.5, 152.4, 147.9, 135.5, 130.3, 129.9, 128.62, 128.56, 128.0, 124.6, 123.1, 121.3, 114.4, 111.1, 103.0, 55.8, 53.3, one carbon missing due to overlap, overlapped signal at 128.56 ppm; IR (KBr) ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3442s, 2917w, 1579m, 1454m, 1354m, 1160s; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{20}\text{NO}_4\text{S}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 394.1108; found 394.1108.



To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1c** (82.4 mg, 0.20 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 M), and  $\text{ZnCl}_2$  (27.3 mg, 0.20 mmol) at 50 °C. The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50 °C for 35.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 15:1~10:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-unsubstituted 2-amidobenzofuran **3c** (76.6 mg, 0.19 mmol) in 96% yield.

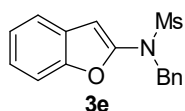
**3c:**  $R_f = 0.48$  [8:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid; mp = 70–71 °C;  $^1\text{H NMR}$  (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.68 (dt, 2H,  $J = 8.6, 2.6$  Hz), 7.45-7.40 (m, 3H), 7.31-7.27 (m, 3H), 7.26-7.20 (m, 4H), 7.16 (td, 1H,  $J = 7.5, 1.3$  Hz), 6.49 (d, 1H,  $J = 1.0$  Hz), 4.80 (s, 2H);  $^{13}\text{C NMR}$  (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  152.4, 147.2, 140.0, 137.4, 135.1, 129.6, 129.1, 128.7, 128.6, 128.2, 127.8, 124.9, 123.3, 121.4, 111.1, 103.5, 53.6; IR (KBr) ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3448s, 2920w, 1648w, 1452m, 1357s, 1165s; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{17}\text{ClNO}_3\text{S}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 398.0612; found 398.0615.



To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1d** (84.5 mg, 0.20 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 M), and  $\text{ZnCl}_2$  (27.3 mg, 0.20 mmol) at 50 °C. The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50 °C for 48.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 15:1~10:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-unsubstituted 2-amidobenzofuran **3d** (78.9 mg, 0.19 mmol) in 97% yield.

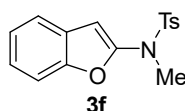
**3d:**  $R_f = 0.41$  [8:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; yellow solid; mp = 143–144 °C;  $^1\text{H NMR}$  (400 MHz,

CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.28 (dt, 2H,  $J = 8.9, 2.5$  Hz), 7.90 (dt, 2H,  $J = 8.9, 2.5$  Hz), 7.47 (d, 1H,  $J = 7.4$  Hz), 7.32-7.28 (m, 3H), 7.26-7.23 (m, 4H), 7.20 (td, 1H,  $J = 7.6, 1.4$  Hz), 6.54 (d, 1H,  $J = 0.4$  Hz), 4.84 (s, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  152.5, 150.4, 146.4, 144.7, 134.6, 129.0, 128.8, 128.7, 128.5, 127.7, 125.2, 124.4, 123.5, 121.6, 111.2, 104.2, 54.0; IR (KBr) (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 3442s, 2917w, 11610m, 1451m, 1167s, 1088w; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>17</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 409.0853; found 409.0856.



To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1e** (63.1 mg, 0.20 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 M), and ZnCl<sub>2</sub> (27.3 mg, 0.20 mmol) at 50 °C. The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50 °C for 23.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 12:1~8:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-unsubstituted 2-amidobenzofuran **3e** (58.8 mg, 0.20 mmol) in 98% yield.

**3e**:  $R_f = 0.28$  [8:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid; mp = 70–71 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.45 (d, 1H,  $J = 7.7$  Hz), 7.40 (d, 1H,  $J = 8.3$  Hz), 7.36-7.33 (m, 2H), 7.31-7.25 (m, 4H), 7.21-7.17 (m, 1H), 6.45 (s, 1H), 4.90 (s, 2H), 3.03 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  152.5, 147.7, 135.5, 128.8, 128.7, 128.3, 128.0, 124.9, 123.3, 121.5, 111.2, 102.8, 54.0, 40.1; IR (KBr) (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 3039s, 3108w, 2926w, 1454m, 1349s, 1041w; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>16</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>S [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 302.0845; found 302.0845.

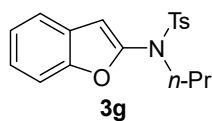


To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1f** (63.1 mg, 0.20 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 M), and ZnCl<sub>2</sub> (27.3 mg, 0.20 mmol) at 50 °C. The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50 °C for 24.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 15:1~10:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-unsubstituted 2-amidobenzofuran **3f** (36.8 mg, 0.12 mmol) in 61% yield.

**3f**:  $R_f = 0.45$  [8:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid; mp = 77–78 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.62 (dt, 2H,  $J = 8.4, 2.1$  Hz), 7.53-7.50 (m, 1H), 7.33-7.30 (m, 1H), 7.28-7.24 (m, 3H), 7.23-7.21 (m, 1H), 6.56 (d, 1H,  $J = 0.9$  Hz), 3.27 (s, 3H), 2.41 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  152.1, 149.7, 144.5, 134.3, 129.9, 128.2, 127.8, 124.4, 123.3, 121.2, 111.1, 99.6, 36.7, 21.7; IR (KBr) (cm<sup>-1</sup>)

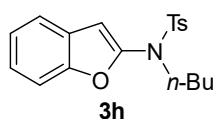


3439s, 2923w, 1597w, 1358m, 1166s, 1056w; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $C_{16}H_{16}NO_3S$   $[M+H]^+$ : 302.0845; found 302.0842.



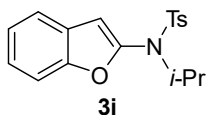
To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1g** (68.7 mg, 0.20 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 M), and  $ZnCl_2$  (27.3 mg, 0.20 mmol) at 50 °C. The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50 °C for 26.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 20:1~15:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-unsubstituted 2-amidobenzofuran **3g** (42.3 mg, 0.13 mmol) in 64% yield.

**3g**:  $R_f$  = 0.51 [10:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid; mp = 68–69 °C;  $^1H$  NMR (400 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ )  $\delta$  7.64 (d, 2H,  $J$  = 8.3 Hz), 7.54–7.52 (m, 1H), 7.33 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz), 7.28–7.20 (m, 4H), 6.62 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 0.7 Hz), 3.57 (t, 2H,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz), 2.42 (s, 3H), 1.60–1.51 (m, 2H), 0.92 (t, 3H,  $J$  = 7.4 Hz);  $^{13}C$  NMR (100 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ )  $\delta$  152.5, 148.1, 144.1, 135.8, 129.8, 128.1, 127.7, 124.7, 123.2, 121.3, 111.2, 103.0, 51.4, 21.9, 21.8, 11.1; IR (KBr) ( $cm^{-1}$ ) 3424m, 1597m, 1453m, 1356s, 1254w, 1164s, 1054m; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $C_{18}H_{20}NO_3S$   $[M+H]^+$ : 330.1158; found 330.1161.



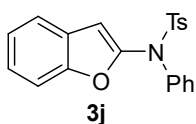
To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1h** (71.5 mg, 0.20 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 M), and  $ZnCl_2$  (27.3 mg, 0.20 mmol) at 50 °C. The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50 °C for 22.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 15:1~10:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-unsubstituted 2-amidobenzofuran **3h** (45.3 mg, 0.13 mmol) in 66% yield.

**3h**:  $R_f$  = 0.49 [8:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; colorless oil;  $^1H$  NMR (400 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ )  $\delta$  7.65 (d, 2H,  $J$  = 8.3 Hz), 7.54–7.52 (m, 1H), 7.35–7.32 (m, 1H), 7.28–7.25 (m, 3H), 7.24–7.20 (m, 1H), 6.61 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 0.6 Hz), 3.60 (t, 2H,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz), 2.42 (s, 3H), 1.55–1.47 (m, 2H), 1.40–1.33 (m, 2H), 0.87 (t, 3H,  $J$  = 7.3 Hz);  $^{13}C$  NMR (100 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ )  $\delta$  152.5, 148.2, 144.1, 135.8, 129.8, 128.1, 127.7, 124.7, 123.2, 121.3, 111.2, 103.0, 49.5, 30.6, 21.7, 19.7, 13.7; IR (KBr) ( $cm^{-1}$ ) 3442s, 2870w, 1611m, 1454m, 1257w, 1169s, 1093w; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $C_{19}H_{22}NO_3S$   $[M+H]^+$ : 344.1315; found 344.1320.



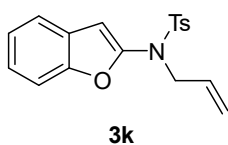
To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1i** (68.7 mg, 0.20 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 M), and ZnCl<sub>2</sub> (27.3 mg, 0.20 mmol) at 50 °C. The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50 °C for 24.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 10:1~8:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-unsubstituted 2-amidobenzofuran **3i** (46.1 mg, 0.14 mmol) in 70% yield.

**3i**:  $R_f$  = 0.55 [10:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid; mp = 128–129 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.79 (d, 2H,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz), 7.56 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz), 7.43 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 8.2 Hz), 7.34-7.30 (m, 3H), 7.26-7.22 (m, 1H), 6.58 (s, 1H), 4.44-4.34 (m, 1H), 2.45 (s, 3H), 1.12 (d, 6H,  $J$  = 6.7 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  153.1, 145.5, 143.9, 137.5, 129.8, 127.83, 127.77, 125.2, 123.1, 121.5, 111.6, 106.8, 52.4, 21.9, 21.8; IR (KBr) (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 3451w, 1608m, 1453m, 1345s, 1167s, 1084m, 1010m; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>20</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>S [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 330.1158; found 330.1155.



To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1j** (75.5 mg, 0.20 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 M), and ZnCl<sub>2</sub> (27.3 mg, 0.20 mmol) at 50 °C. The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50 °C for 22.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 15:1~10:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-unsubstituted 2-amidobenzofuran **3j** (53.2 mg, 0.15 mmol) in 73% yield.

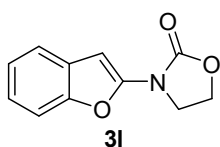
**3j**:  $R_f$  = 0.47 [8:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid; mp = 134–135 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.64 (dt, 2H,  $J$  = 8.3, 2.2 Hz), 7.53-7.50 (m, 1H), 7.37-7.34 (m, 3H), 7.33-7.30 (m, 3H), 7.28-7.23 (m, 3H), 7.20 (td, 1H,  $J$  = 8.5, 1.1 Hz), 6.66 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 0.9 Hz), 2.43 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  152.6, 148.8, 144.5, 139.2, 135.9, 129.7, 129.4, 128.6, 128.5, 128.3, 127.9, 125.0, 123.2, 121.5, 111.4, 102.8, 21.8; IR (KBr) (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 3442s, 2848w, 1599w, 1362m, 1161s, 1074w; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>18</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>S [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 364.1002; found 364.1005.



To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1k** (68.3 mg, 0.20 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 M), and ZnCl<sub>2</sub> (27.3 mg, 0.20 mmol) at 50 °C. The reaction

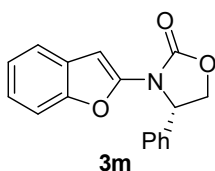
vessel was capped and stirred at 50 °C for 7.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 15:1~10:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-unsubstituted 2-amidobenzofuran **3k** (47.1 mg, 0.14 mmol) in 72% yield.

**3k**:  $R_f$  = 0.45 [8:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid; mp = 63–64 °C;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.66 (d, 2H,  $J$  = 8.3 Hz), 7.53–7.51 (m, 1H), 7.32 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 8.1 Hz), 7.29–7.25 (m, 3H), 7.21 (td, 1H,  $J$  = 7.4, 1.5 Hz), 6.59 (s, 1H), 5.87–5.77 (m, 1H), 5.20 (dd, 1H,  $J$  = 17.1, 1.4 Hz), 5.11 (dd, 1H,  $J$  = 10.1, 1.2 Hz), 4.24 (dt, 2H,  $J$  = 6.3, 1.4 Hz), 2.43 (s, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  152.5, 148.1, 144.3, 135.8, 132.1, 129.9, 128.0, 127.8, 124.7, 123.2, 121.3, 119.6, 111.2, 102.8, 52.5, 21.8; IR (KBr) ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3436m, 2922w, 1593m, 1453m, 1356s, 1090m; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{18}\text{NO}_3\text{S}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 328.1002; found 328.1002.



To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1l** (43.4 mg, 0.20 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 *M*), and  $\text{ZnCl}_2$  (27.3 mg, 0.20 mmol) at 50 °C. The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50 °C for 26.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 6:1~2:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-unsubstituted 2-amidobenzofuran **3l** (34.5 mg, 0.17 mmol) in 85% yield.

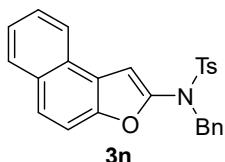
**3l**:  $R_f$  = 0.34 [2:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid; mp = 145–146 °C;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.50–7.47 (m, 1H), 7.39–7.36 (m, 1H), 7.24–7.17 (m, 2H), 7.65 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 0.7 Hz), 4.54 (t, 2H,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz), 4.22 (t, 2H,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  153.9, 150.6, 147.8, 129.3, 123.6, 122.9, 120.5, 110.5, 89.6, 62.8, 44.2. IR (KBr) ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3448m, 2923w, 1754s, 1604s, 1416s, 1113m, 1016w; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{10}\text{NO}_3$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 204.0655; found 204.0654.



To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1m** (58.7 mg, 0.20 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 *M*), and  $\text{ZnCl}_2$  (27.3 mg, 0.20 mmol) at 50 °C. The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50 °C for 50.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient

eluent: 10:1~6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-unsubstituted 2-amidobenzofuran **3m** (43.6 mg, 0.16 mmol) in 78% yield.

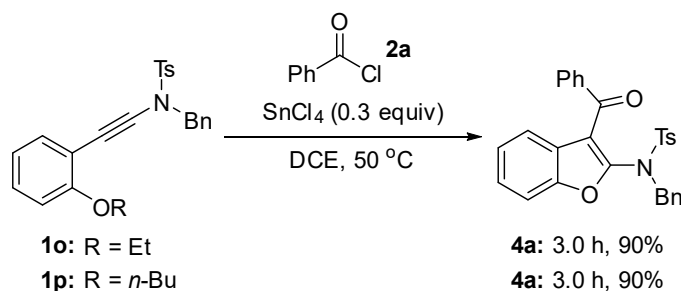
**3m**:  $R_f = 0.22$  [6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid; mp = 128–129 °C;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.42–7.40 (m, 1H), 7.35–7.27 (m, 5H), 7.25–7.22 (m, 1H), 7.15–7.09 (m, 2H), 6.60 (s, 1H), 5.50 (dd, 1H,  $J = 8.7, 5.0$  Hz), 4.80 (t, 1H,  $J = 8.7$  Hz), 4.30 (dd, 1H,  $J = 8.8, 5.0$  Hz);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  154.2, 150.9, 146.8, 138.3, 129.3, 129.1, 128.7, 126.3, 123.3, 123.2, 120.6, 110.7, 93.2, 70.8, 59.9. Spectral data are in agreement with literature values.<sup>14</sup>



To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1n** (88.3 mg, 0.20 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 M), and  $\text{ZnCl}_2$  (27.3 mg, 0.20 mmol) at 50 °C. The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50 °C for 22.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 15:1~10:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-unsubstituted 2-amidobenzofuran **3n** (83.2 mg, 0.19 mmol) in 97% yield.

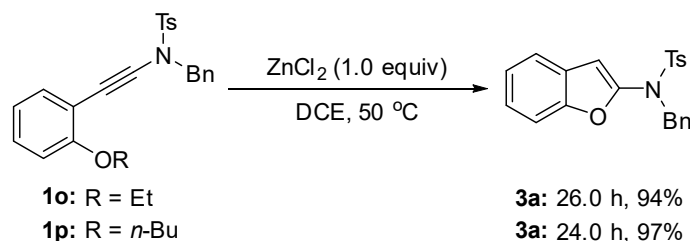
**3n**:  $R_f = 0.40$  [8:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid; mp = 115–116 °C;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.95 (d, 1H,  $J = 8.2$  Hz), 7.83 (d, 1H,  $J = 8.0$  Hz), 7.67–7.61 (m, 3H), 7.51–7.47 (m, 1H), 7.44–7.39 (m, 2H), 7.31 (d, 2H,  $J = 7.0$  Hz), 7.24–7.17 (m, 5H), 6.97 (s, 1H), 4.84 (s, 2H), 2.37 (s, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  149.8, 146.9, 144.3, 135.8, 135.4, 130.3, 129.9, 128.8, 128.6, 128.1, 127.7, 127.5, 126.6, 125.6, 124.9, 123.6, 123.3, 112.0, 102.8, 53.6, 21.7, one carbon missing due to overlap, overlapped signal at 128.6 ppm; IR (KBr) ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3438s, 2922w, 1629w, 1575w, 1360m, 1114s; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{22}\text{NO}_3\text{S}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 428.1315; found 428.1305.

## 1.6 Cyclizations of Other *o*-Alkyloxyphenyl-Substituted Ynamides (Scheme 2).



To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-alkyloxyphenyl-substituted ynamide **1o** (81.1 mg, 0.2 mmol) or **1p** (86.7 mg, 0.2 mmol), acyl chloride **2a** (46.4  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.40 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide

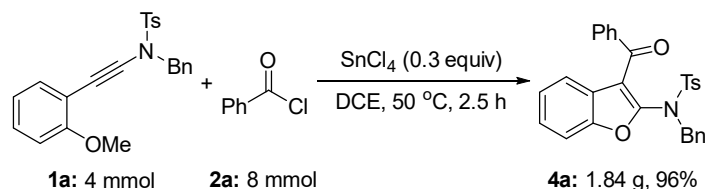
*concn* = 0.10 M), and SnCl<sub>4</sub> (60.0 μL, 0.06 mmol, 1.0 M in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) at 50 °C. The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50 °C for the corresponding reaction time. The reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 10:1~6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **4a**.



To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-alkoxyphenyl-substituted ynamide **1o** (81.1 mg, 0.2 mmol) or **1p** (86.7 mg, 0.2 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 M), and ZnCl<sub>2</sub> (27.3 mg, 0.20 mmol). The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50 °C for the corresponding reaction time. The reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 15:1~10:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-unsubstituted 2-amidobenzofuran **3a**.

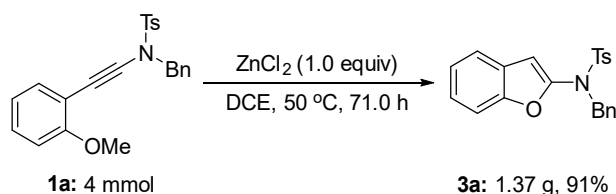
## 1.7 Gram-Scale Synthesis and Chemical Transformations (Scheme 3).

### Gram-Scale Intermolecular Cyclization.



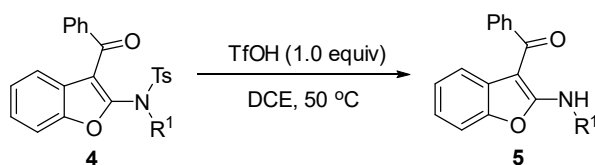
To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1a** (1.57 g, 4.00 mmol), acyl chloride **2a** (0.93 mL, 8.00 mmol), DCE (40.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 M), and SnCl<sub>4</sub> (1.20 mL, 1.20 mmol, 1.0 M in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) at 50 °C. The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50 °C for 2.5 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 10:1~6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **4a** (1.84 g, 3.82 mmol) in 96% yield.

### Gram-Scale Intramolecular Cyclization.

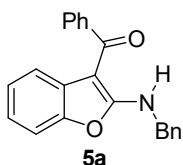


To an oven-dried sealed tube was added *o*-anisole-substituted ynamide **1a** (1.57 g, 4.00 mmol), DCE (40.0 mL, ynamide *concn* = 0.10 M), and ZnCl<sub>2</sub> (545.12 mg, 4.00 mmol) at 50 °C. The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50 °C for 71.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 15:1~10:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-unsubstituted 2-amidobenzofuran **3a** (1.37 g, 3.63 mmol) in 91% yield.

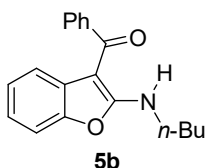
### Synthesis of 3-Acyl-2-Amidobenzofurans **5a**, **5b** and **5c**.



To an oven-dried sealed tube was added 3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **4a** (96.3 mg, 0.20 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL), and TfOH (17.7 μL, 0.20 mmol) in sequence. The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50 °C in an oil bath for 6.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 10:1~6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **5a** (64.4 mg, 0.20 mmol) in 98% yield.



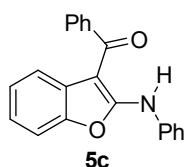
**5a**:  $R_f$  = 0.40 [6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; yellow solid; mp = 120–121 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 9.34 (t, 1H,  $J$  = 6.3 Hz), 7.70–7.67 (m, 2H), 7.52–7.45 (m, 3H), 7.42–7.35 (m, 4H), 7.33–7.24 (m, 2H), 7.05–6.97 (m, 2H), 6.89–6.87 (m, 1H), 4.81 (d, 2H,  $J$  = 6.4 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 190.0, 166.7, 149.6, 141.2, 137.3, 130.8, 129.0, 128.5, 128.0, 127.6, 127.5, 126.7, 124.0, 121.7, 118.9, 110.3, 94.0, 46.1; IR (KBr) (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 3432s, 2923w, 1642s, 1553w, 1478w, 1182m; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>18</sub>NO<sub>2</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 328.1332; found 328.1329.



To an oven-dried sealed tube was added 3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **4h** (89.5 mg, 0.20 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL), and TfOH (17.7 μL, 0.20 mmol) in sequence. The reaction vessel was capped and

stirred at 50 °C in an oil bath for 5.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 10:1~6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **5b** (54.2 mg, 0.18 mmol) in 92% yield.

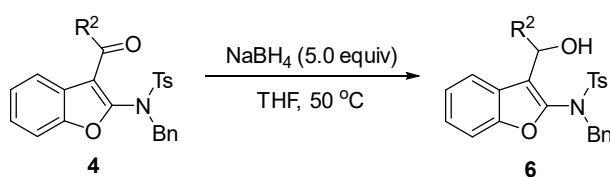
**5b**:  $R_f$  = 0.42 [6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; yellow solid; mp = 87–88 °C;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  9.06 (t, 1H,  $J$  = 6.3 Hz), 7.69-7.66 (m, 2H), 7.54-7.45 (m, 3H), 7.26-7.24 (m, 1H), 7.03-6.95 (m, 2H), 6.86-6.83 (m, 1H), 3.62 (dd, 2H,  $J$  = 13.5, 6.8 Hz), 1.77-1.69 (m, 2H), 1.54-1.44 (m, 2H), 0.99 (t, 3H,  $J$  = 7.4 Hz);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  189.6, 167.1, 149.6, 141.4, 130.6, 128.5, 127.5, 126.8, 123.9, 121.5, 118.7, 110.2, 93.7, 42.0, 32.2, 20.1, 13.9; IR (KBr) ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3440s, 2963w, 1645s, 1592w, 1494w, 1182m; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{20}\text{NO}_2$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 294.1489; found 294.1487.



To an oven-dried sealed tube was added 3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **4j** (93.5 mg, 0.20 mmol), DCE (2.0 mL), and TfOH (17.7  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.20 mmol) in sequence. The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50 °C in an oil bath for 6.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 15:1~10:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **5c** (58.8 mg, 0.19 mmol) in 94% yield.

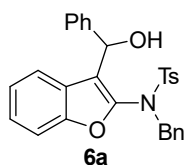
**5c**:  $R_f$  = 0.60 [6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; yellow solid; mp = 122–123 °C;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  11.3 (s, 1H), 7.75-7.73 (m, 2H), 7.59-7.49 (m, 5H), 7.45-7.41 (m, 2H), 7.38 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 7.7 Hz), 7.19 (t, 1H,  $J$  = 7.4 Hz), 7.10 (td, 1H,  $J$  = 7.5, 1.2 Hz), 7.05 (td, 1H,  $J$  = 7.8, 1.0 Hz), 6.96-6.94 (m, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  190.7, 163.0, 149.7, 140.9, 137.2, 131.2, 129.7, 128.6, 127.7, 125.6, 124.6, 124.3, 122.5, 120.1, 119.3, 110.7, 95.5; IR (KBr) ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3440s, 2921w, 1638s, 1561m, 1457w, 1167m; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{16}\text{NO}_2$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 314.1176; found 314.1166.

### Synthesis of 3-Alkyl-2-Amidobenzofurans **6a**, **6b** and **6c**.<sup>17</sup>

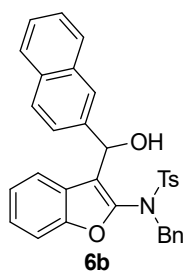


To an oven-dried sealed tube was added 3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **4a** (96.3 mg, 0.20 mmol), THF

(2.0 mL), and NaBH<sub>4</sub> (37.8 mg, 1.00 mmol) in sequence. The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50 °C in an oil bath for 24.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 10:1~6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-alkyl-2-amidobenzofuran **6a** (93.4 mg, 0.19 mmol) in 97% yield.



**6a**:  $R_f$  = 0.38 [6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid; mp = 142–143 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.71 (d, 2H,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz), 7.35 (d, 2H,  $J$  = 8.1 Hz), 7.31-7.23 (m, 6H), 7.19-7.14 (m, 4H), 6.96-6.86 (m, 4H), 5.85 (s, 1H), 4.98 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 10.6 Hz), 4.51 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 12.6 Hz), 2.48 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  152.5, 144.8, 144.1, 140.7, 135.2, 134.7, 130.1, 129.5, 129.1, 128.6, 128.04, 127.98, 126.9, 125.81, 125.78, 125.2, 123.0, 122.0, 121.4, 111.0, 66.3, 53.4, 21.9; IR (KBr) (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 3449s, 2848w, 1632w, 1451m, 1164s; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>25</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>SNa [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>: 506.1396; found 506.1392.

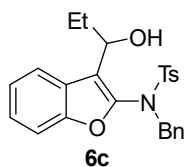


To an oven-dried sealed tube was added 3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **4bb** (106.3 mg, 0.20 mmol), THF (2.0 mL), and NaBH<sub>4</sub> (37.8 mg, 1.00 mmol) in sequence. The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50 °C in an oil bath for 24.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 10:1~6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-alkyl-2-amidobenzofuran **6b** (105.8 mg, 0.20 mmol) in 99% yield.

**6b**:  $R_f$  = 0.33 [6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; white solid; mp = 115–116 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.76-7.70 (m, 5H), 7.53 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 8.2 Hz), 7.44-7.37 (m, 2H), 7.34-7.23 (m, 8H), 7.15-7.10 (m, 1H), 6.84-6.81 (m, 2H), 6.60 (s, 1H), 6.01 (s, 1H), 5.02 (s, 1H), 4.51 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 11.5 Hz), 2.44 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  152.5, 144.9, 144.2, 138.2, 135.1, 134.7, 133.2, 132.6, 130.1, 129.5, 129.1, 128.7, 128.3, 128.0, 127.64, 127.59, 125.9, 125.8, 125.7, 125.2, 124.4, 124.0, 123.0, 122.0, 121.1, 111.0, 66.4, 53.3, 21.8; IR (KBr) (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 3441s, 2923w, 1626w, 1450m,



1352s, 1235w, 1165s; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $C_{33}H_{27}NO_4SNa$   $[M+Na]^+$ : 556.1553; found 556.1550.



To an oven-dried sealed tube was added 3-acyl-2-amidobenzofuran **4ff** (86.7 mg, 0.20 mmol), THF (2.0 mL), and  $NaBH_4$  (37.8 mg, 1.00 mmol) in sequence. The reaction vessel was capped and stirred at 50 °C in an oil bath for 72.0 h. After the reaction was judged to be complete by TLC, the reaction mixture was cooled to rt and filtered through a short pad of silica gel. Then the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash silica gel column chromatography [gradient eluent: 10:1~6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc] to afford 3-alkyl-2-amidobenzofuran **6c** (84.3 mg, 0.19 mmol) in 97% yield.

**6c**:  $R_f$  = 0.33 [6:1 petroleum ether/EtOAc]; colorless oil;  $^1H$  NMR (400 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ )  $\delta$  7.71 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 7.8 Hz), 7.65 (d, 2H,  $J$  = 8.3 Hz), 7.32-7.26 (m, 4H), 7.23-7.16 (m, 6H), 4.83 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 11.6 Hz), 4.56-4.46 (m, 2H), 2.46 (s, 3H), 1.97-1.86 (m, 1H), 1.61-1.50 (m, 1H), 0.56 (t, 3H,  $J$  = 7.9 Hz);  $^{13}C$  NMR (100 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ )  $\delta$  152.4, 144.6, 143.3, 135.4, 134.7, 130.0, 129.4, 128.7, 128.4, 128.0, 126.2, 125.2, 123.0, 121.9, 121.2, 111.2, 68.0, 53.3, 27.7, 21.8, 10.3; IR (KBr) ( $cm^{-1}$ ) 3432s, 2963w, 1631m, 1452m, 1357m, 1236w, 1166s; HRMS (ESI):  $m/z$  calcd for  $C_{25}H_{25}NO_4SNa$   $[M+Na]^+$ : 458.1396; found 458.1392.

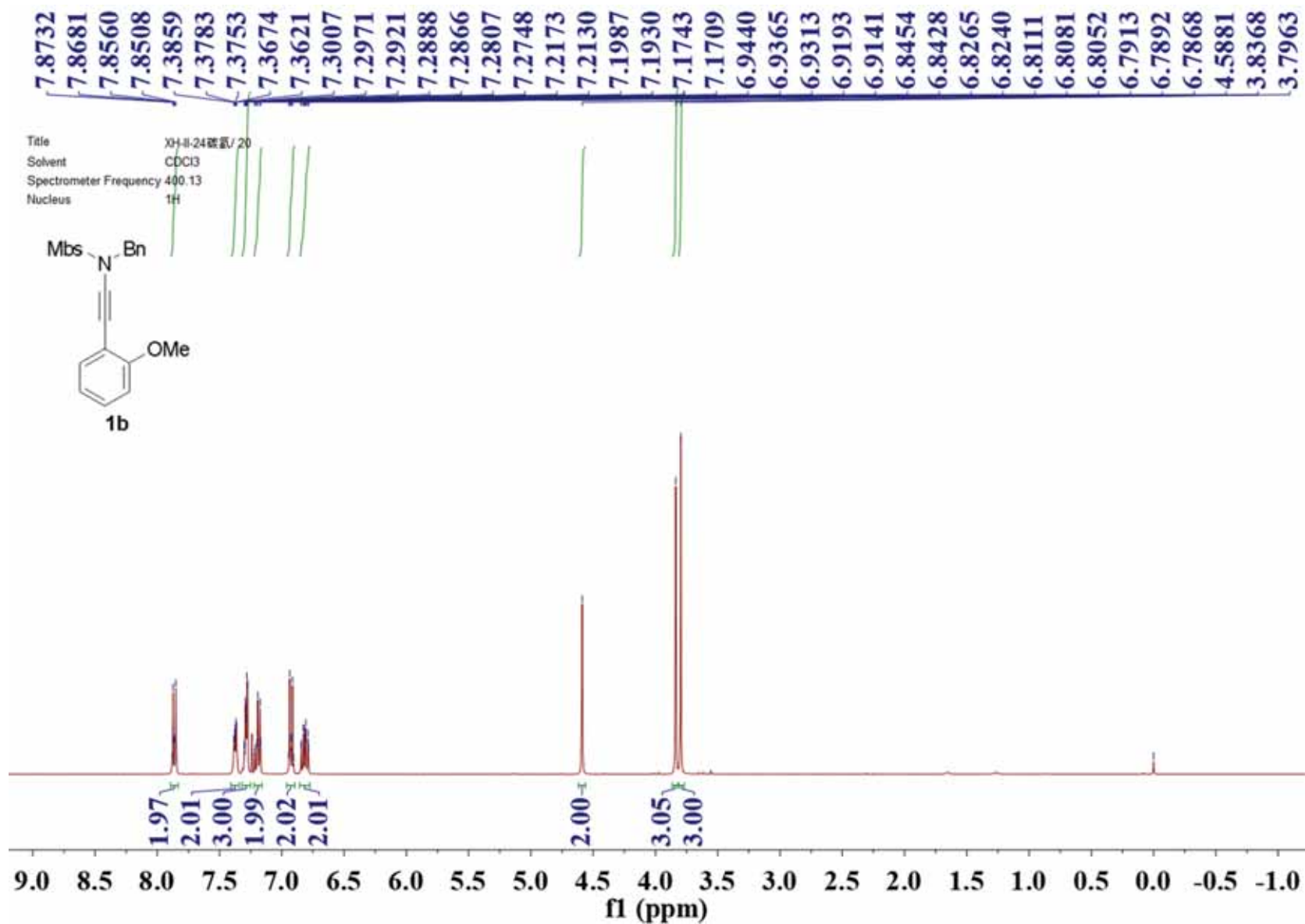
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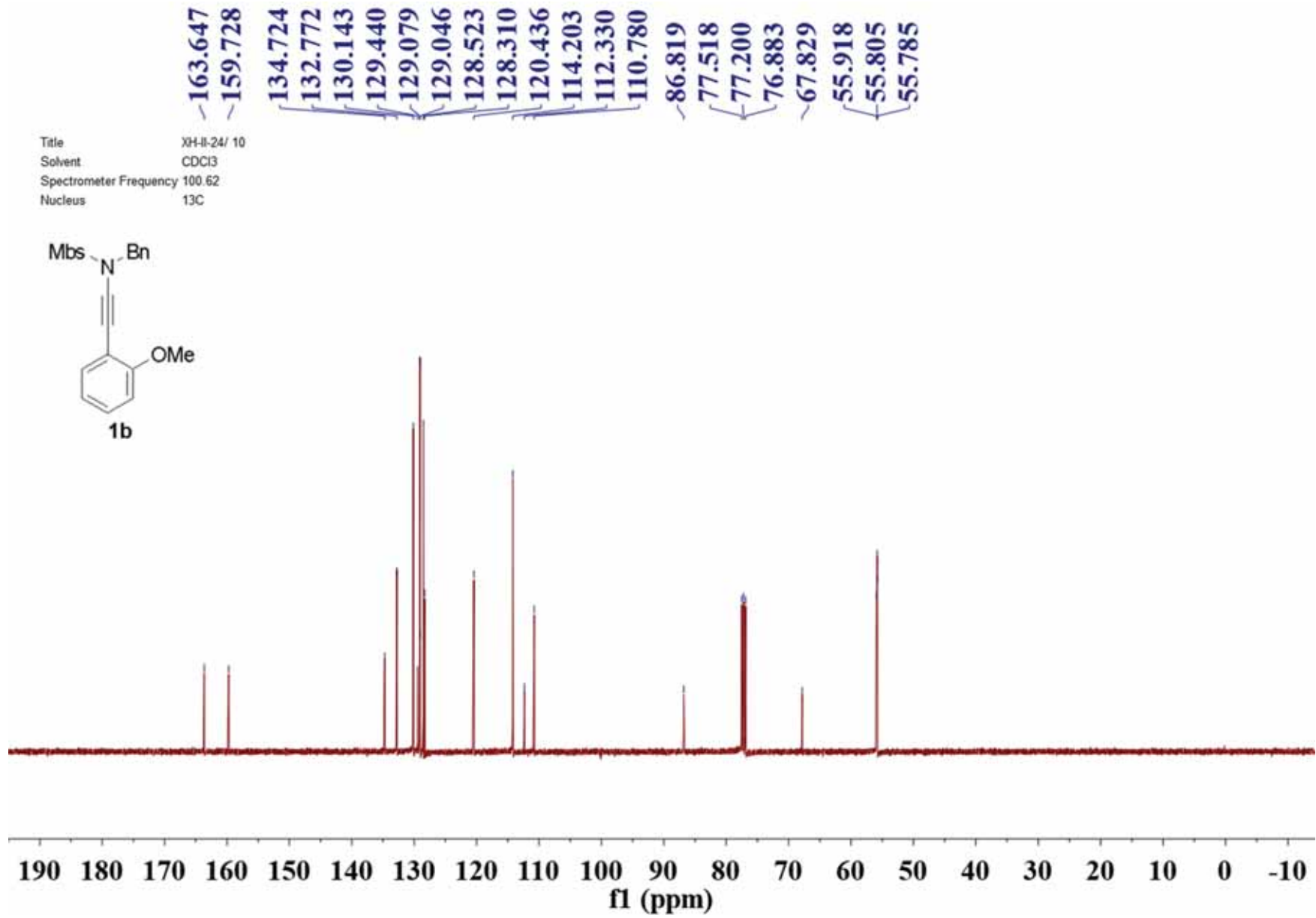
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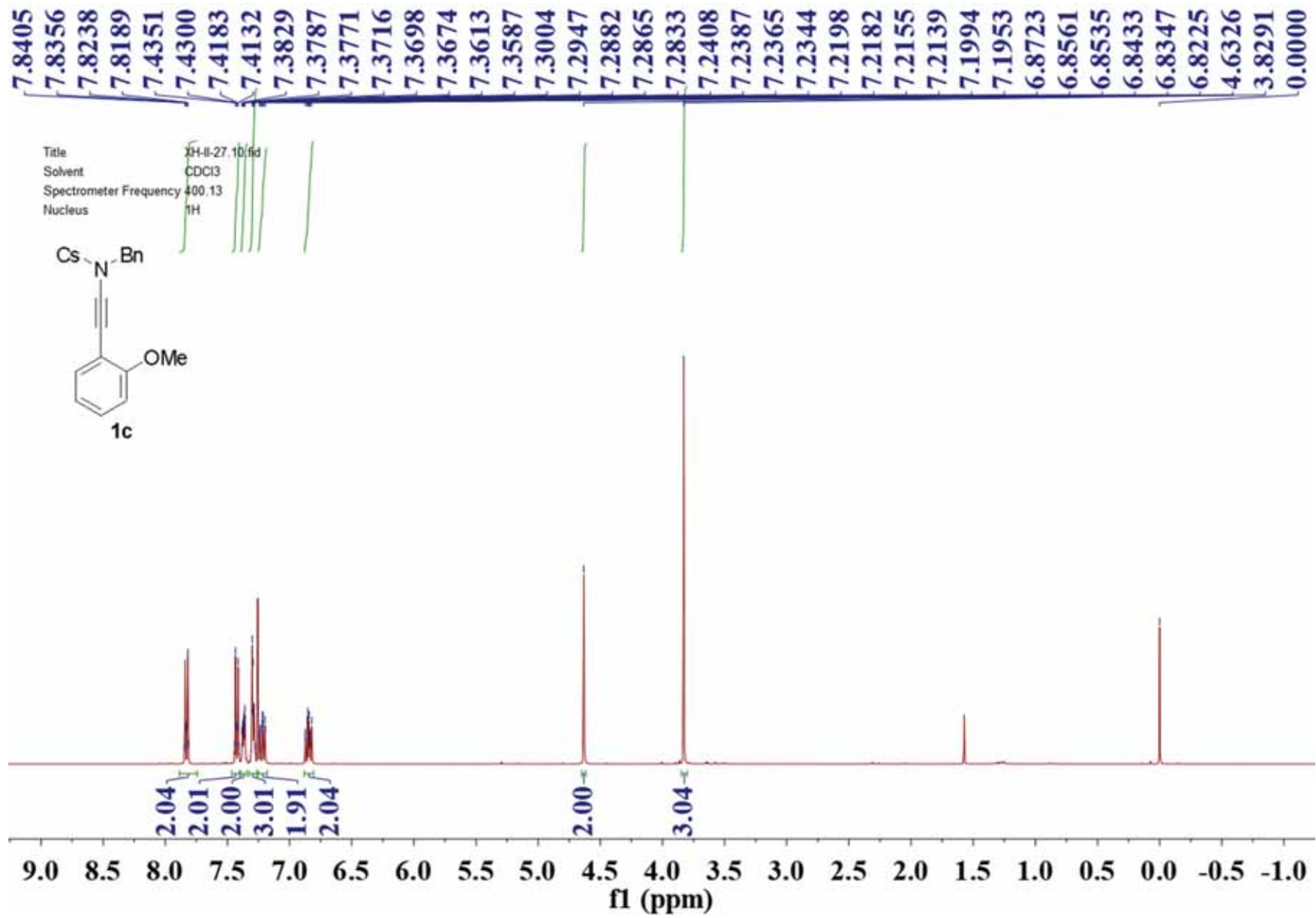
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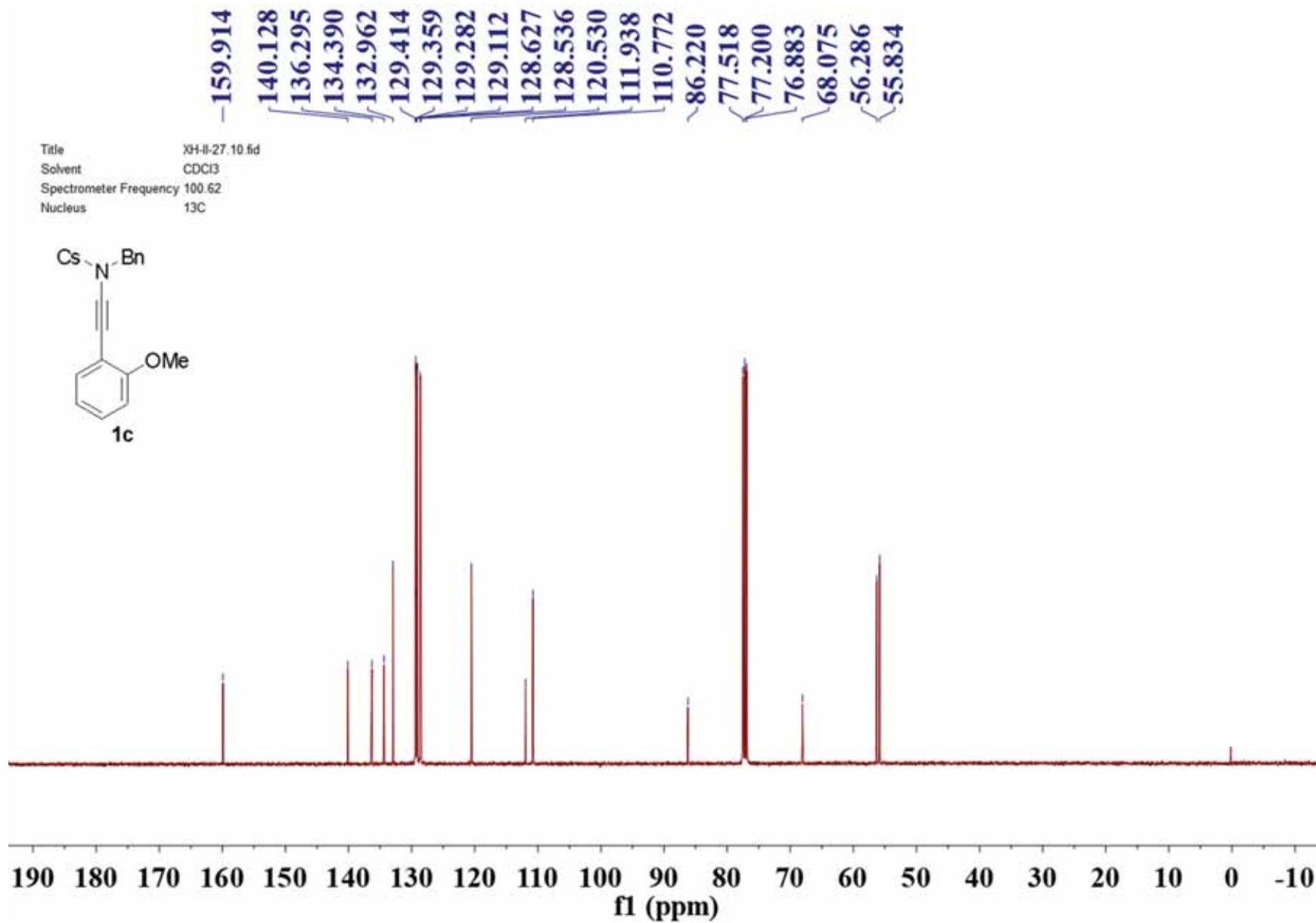
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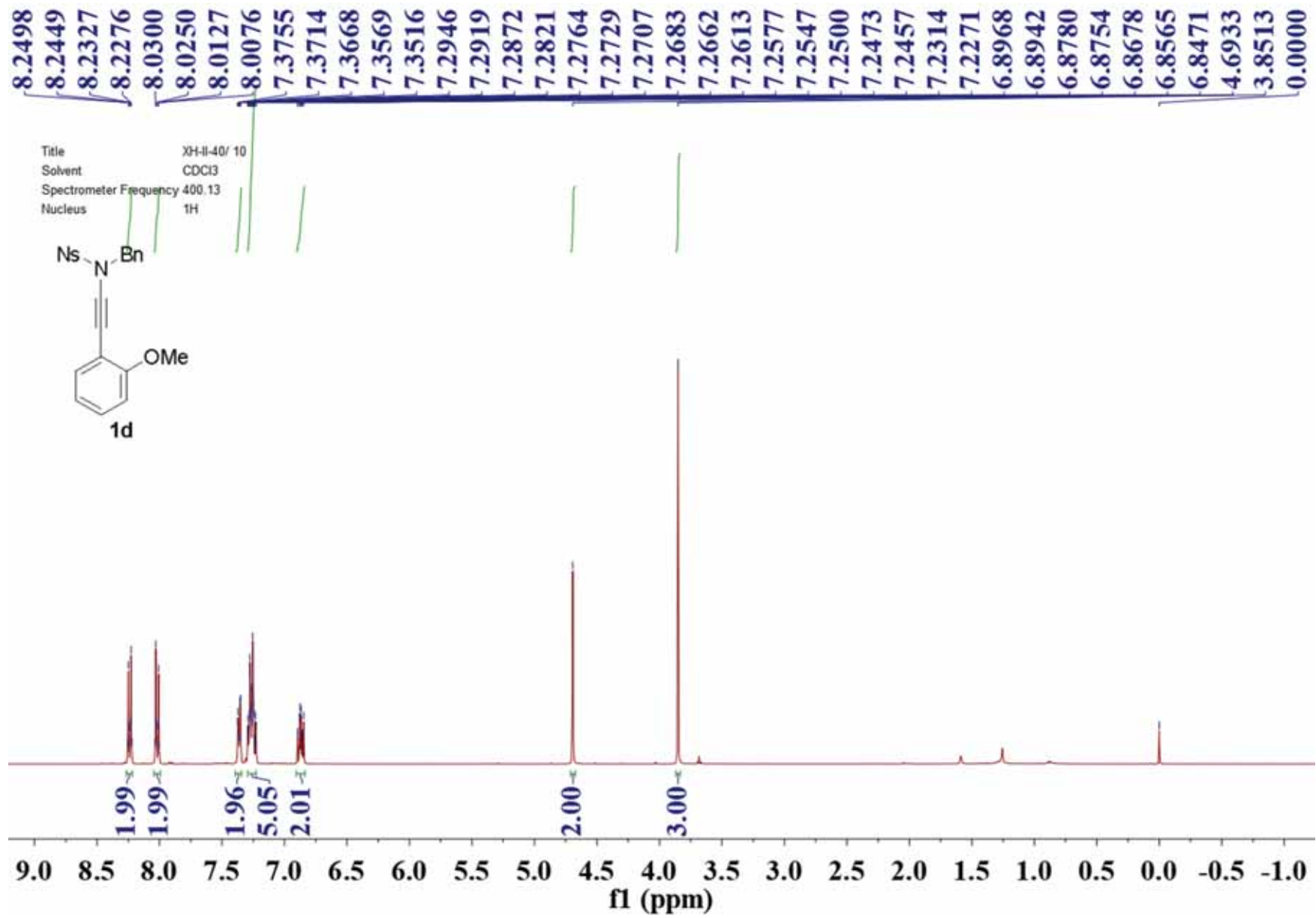
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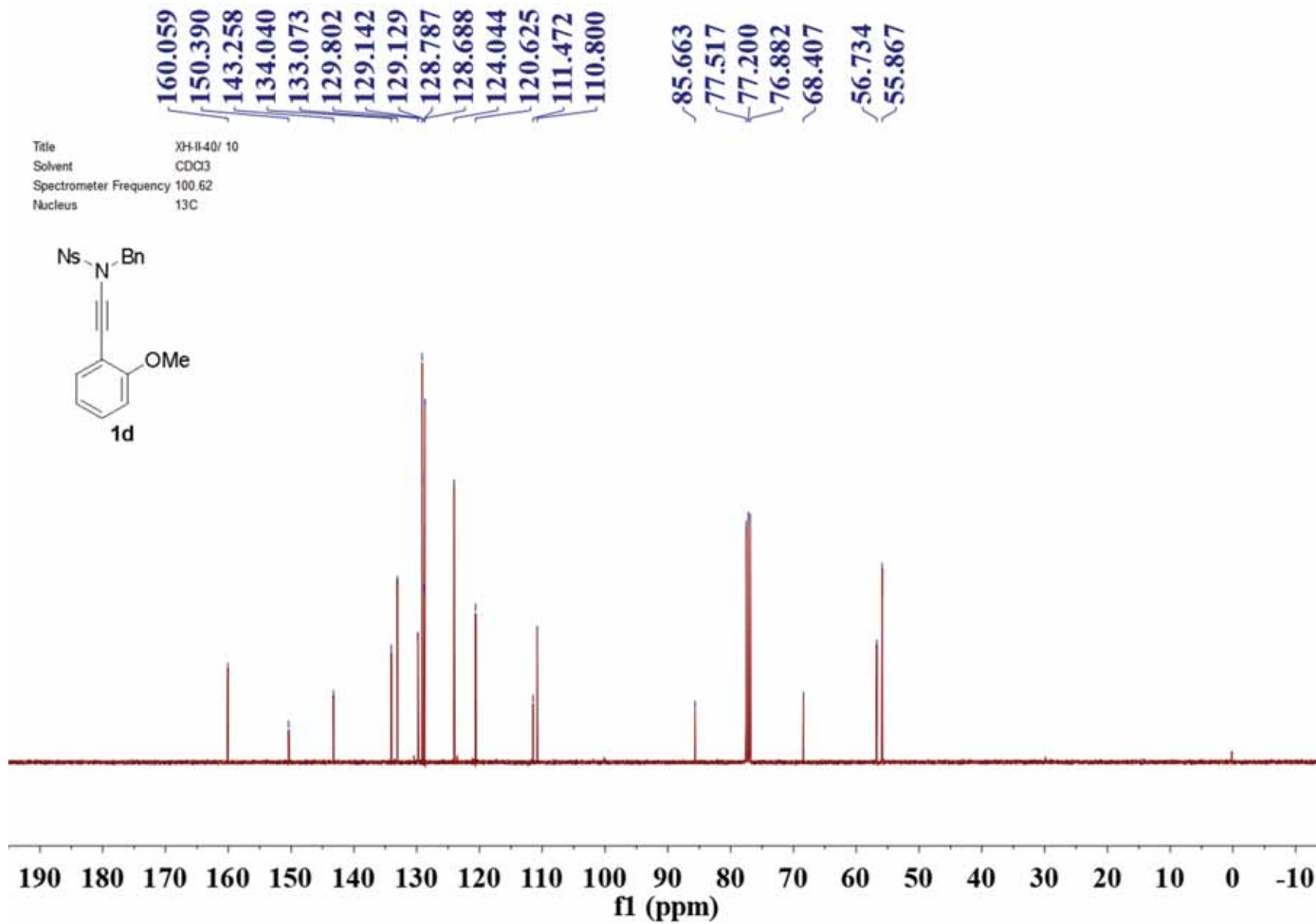




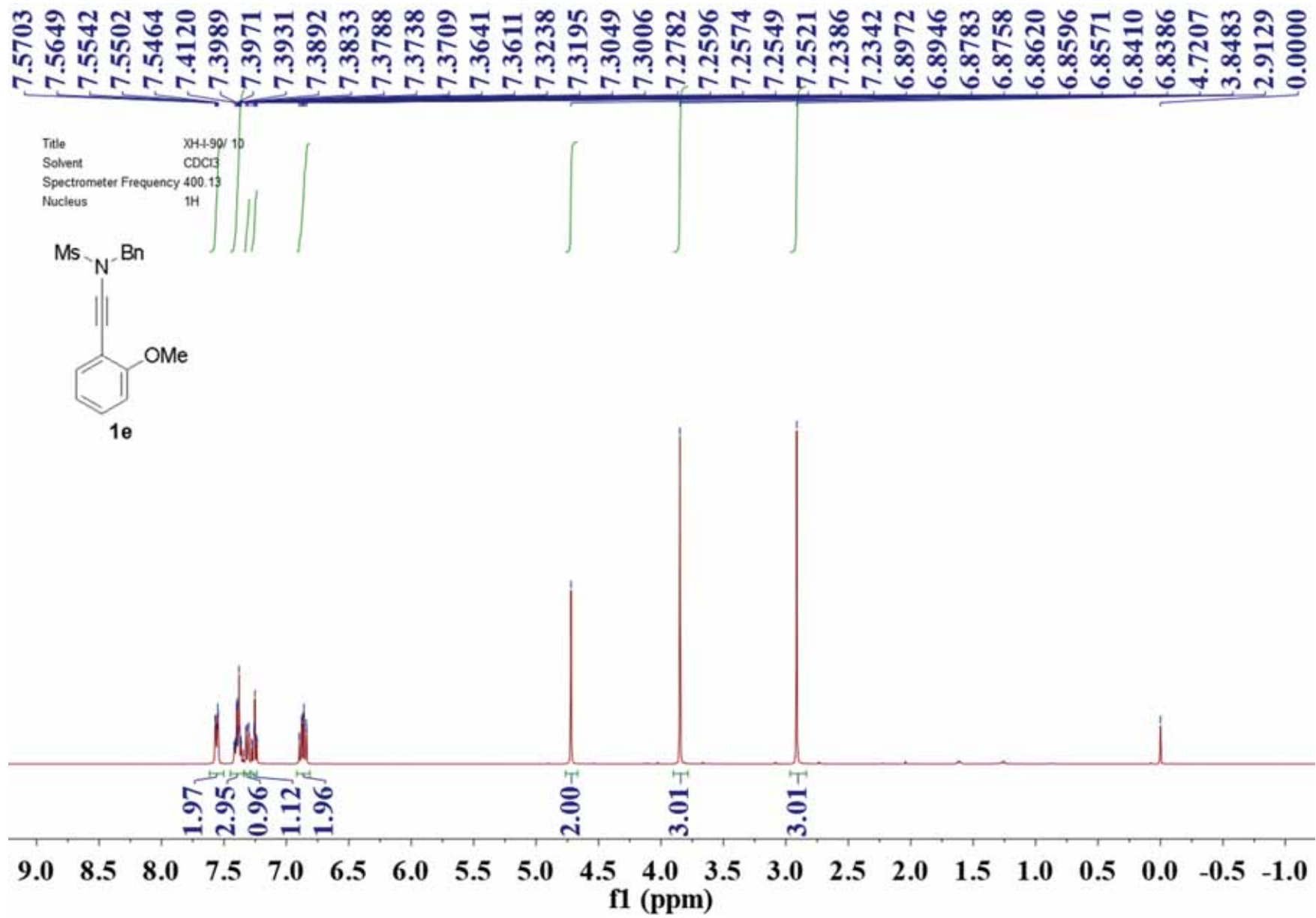




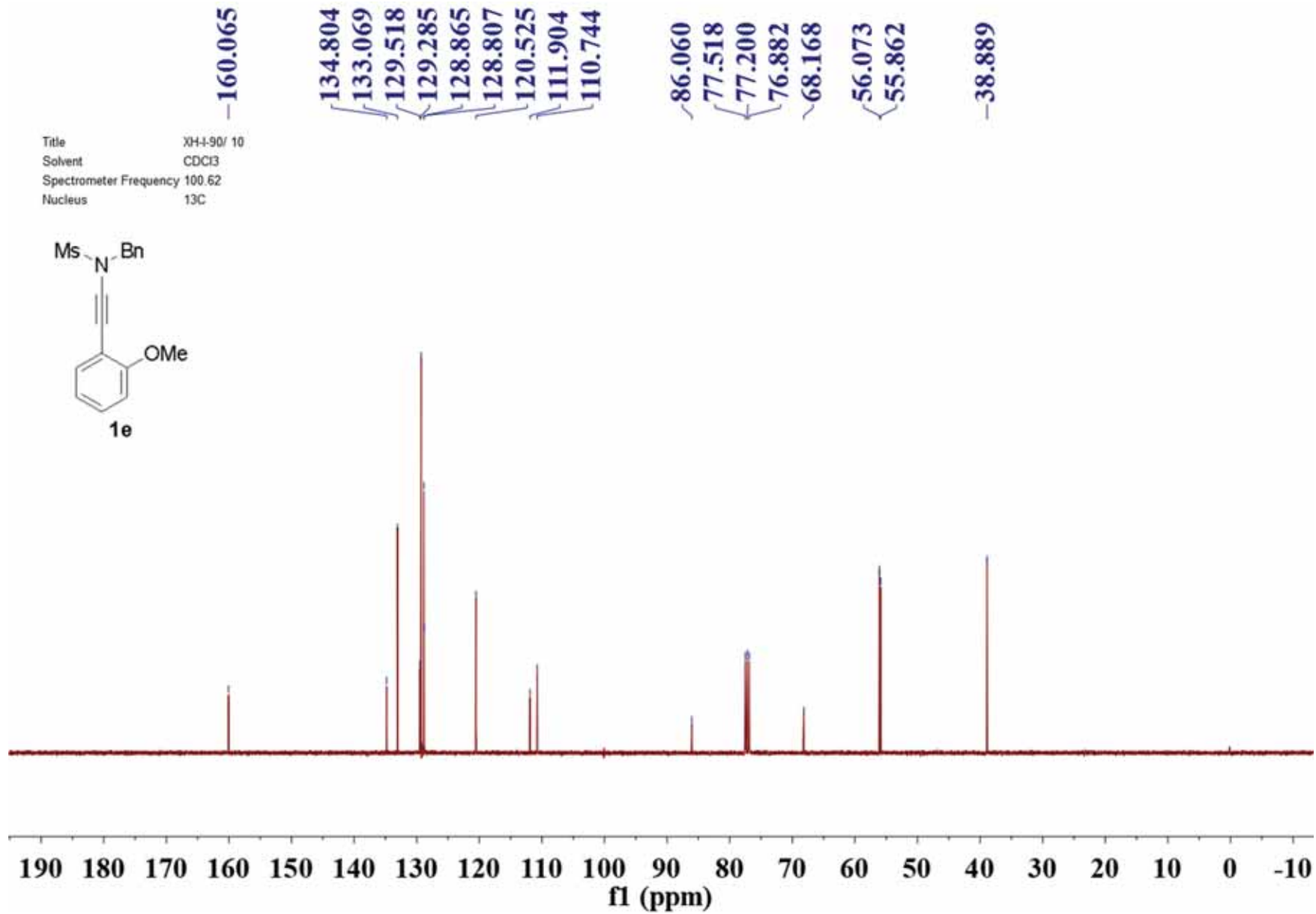
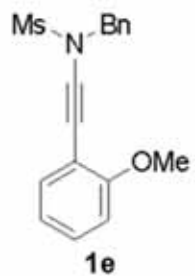


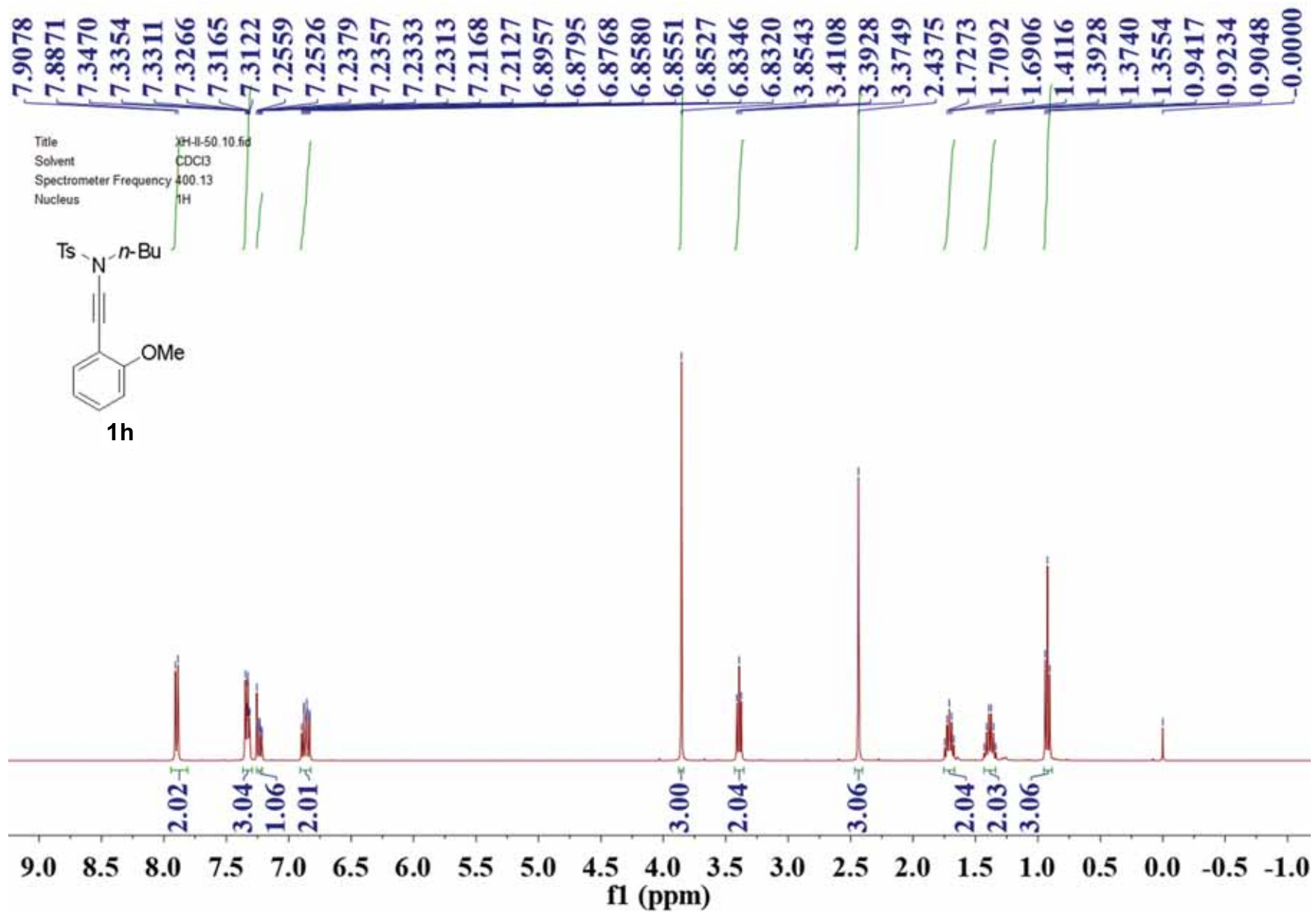


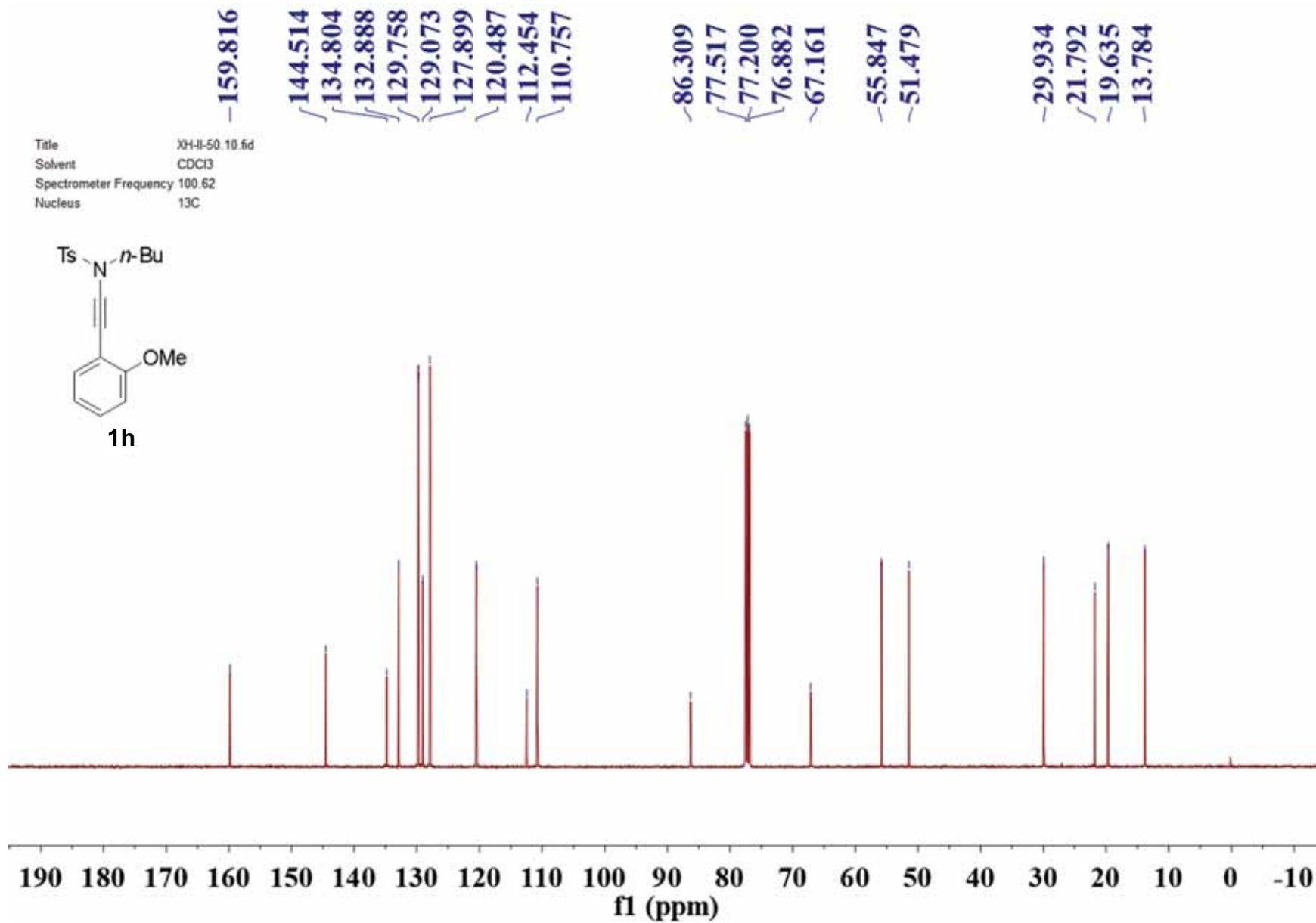


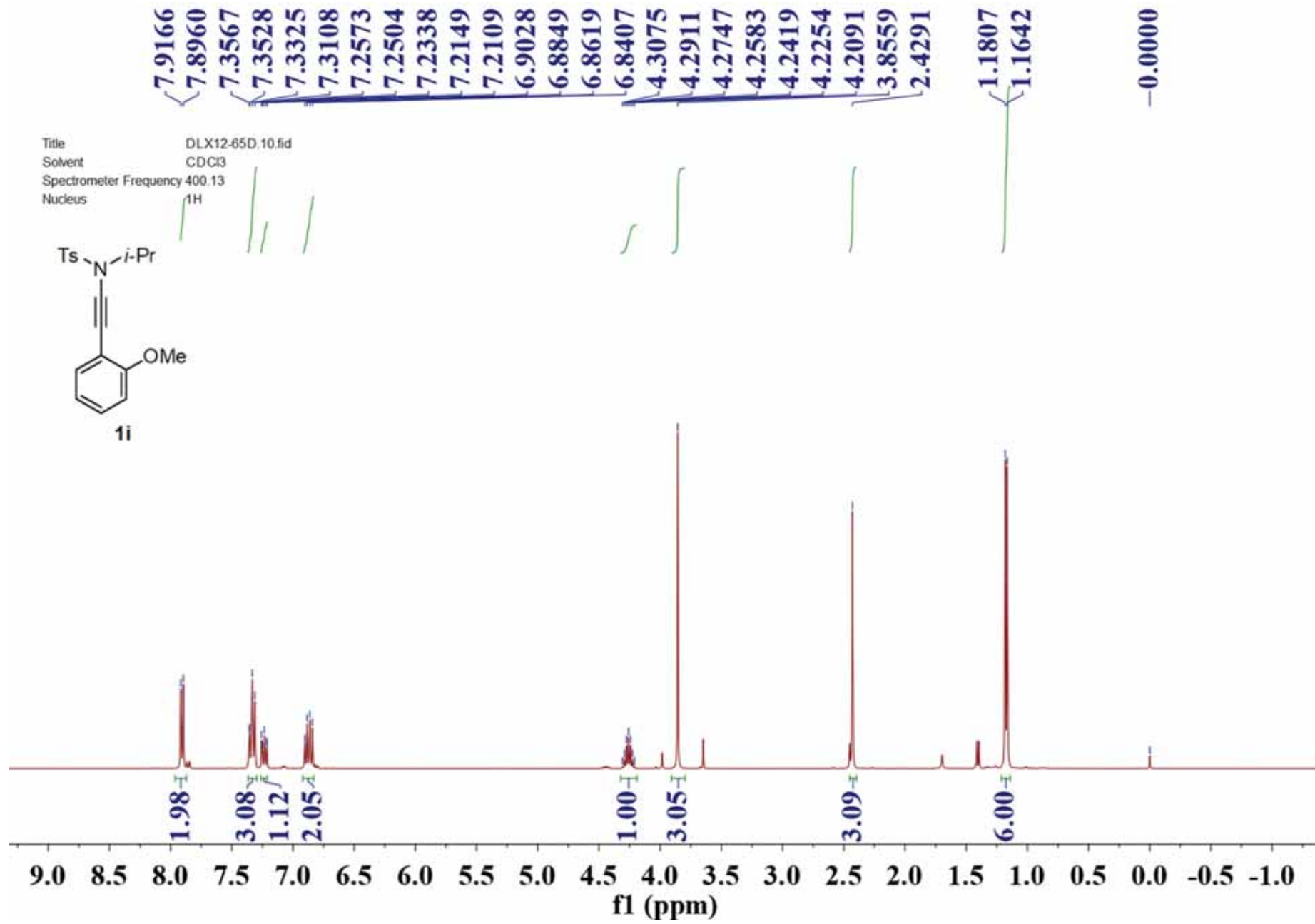


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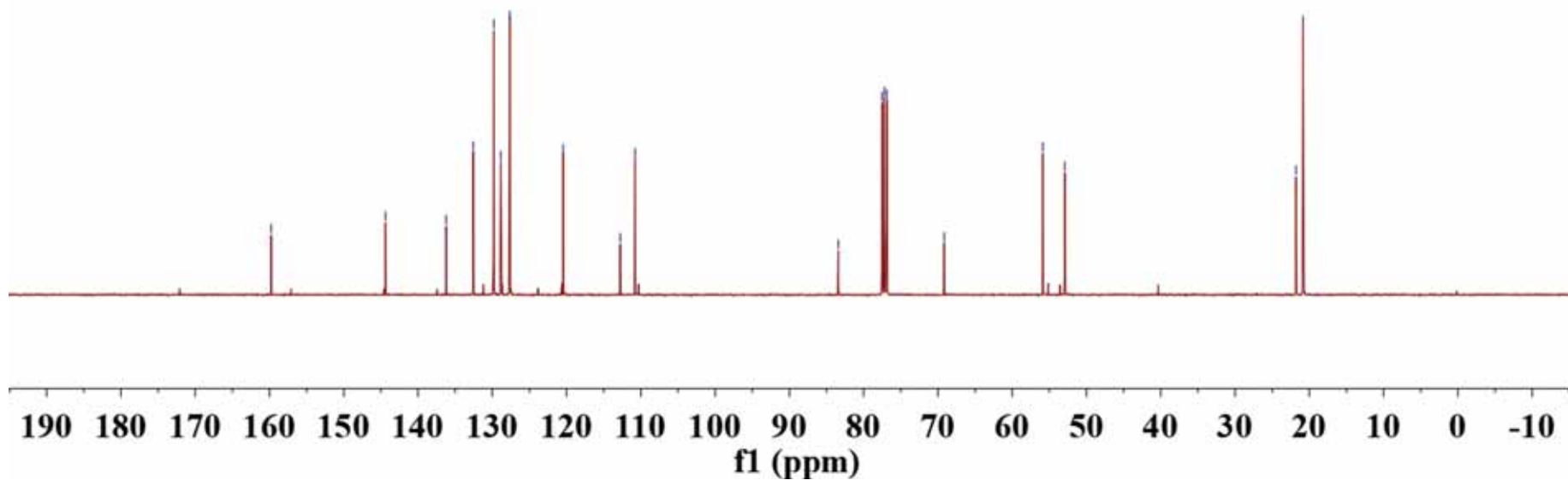
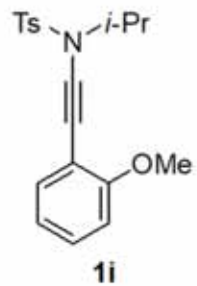


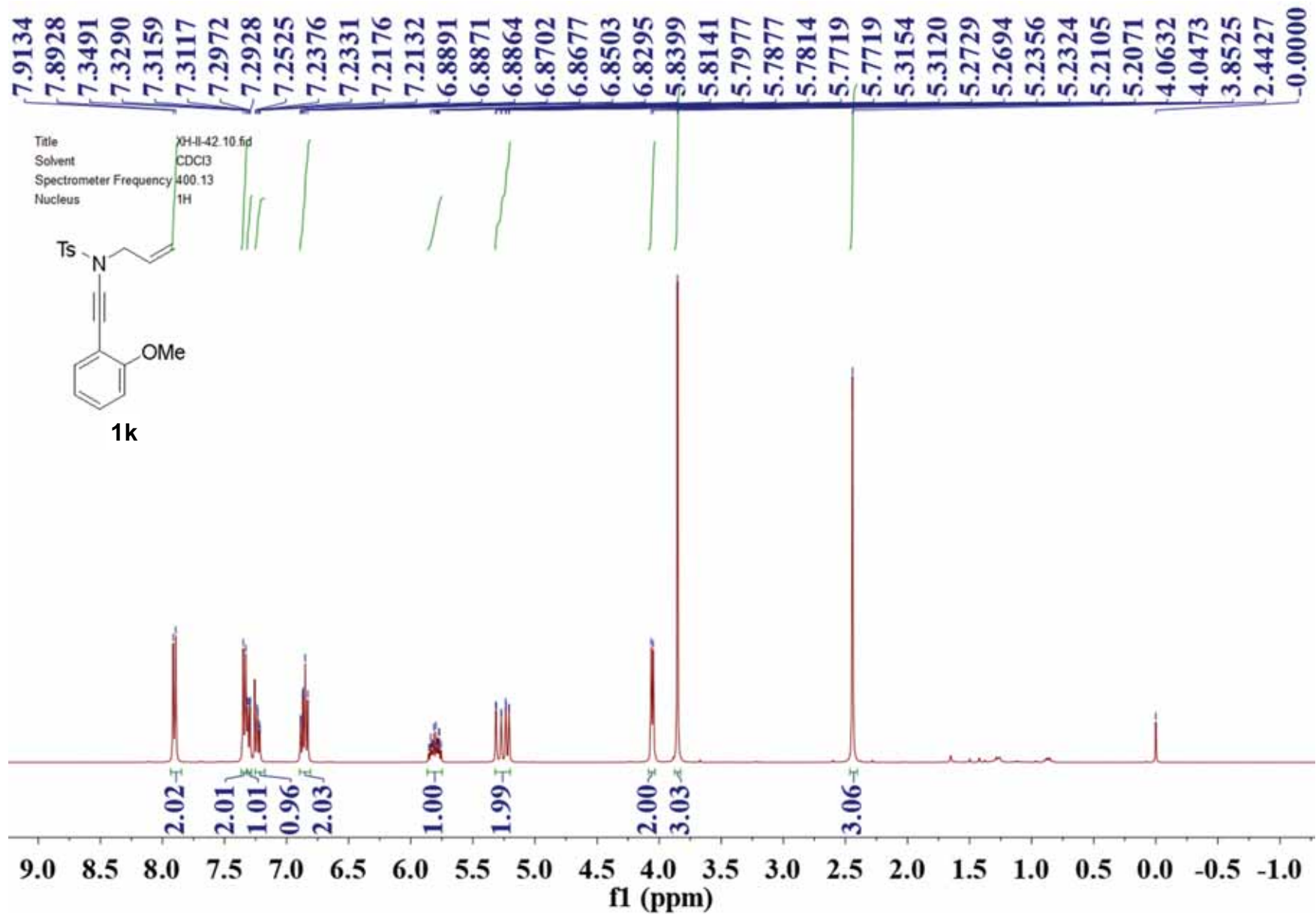
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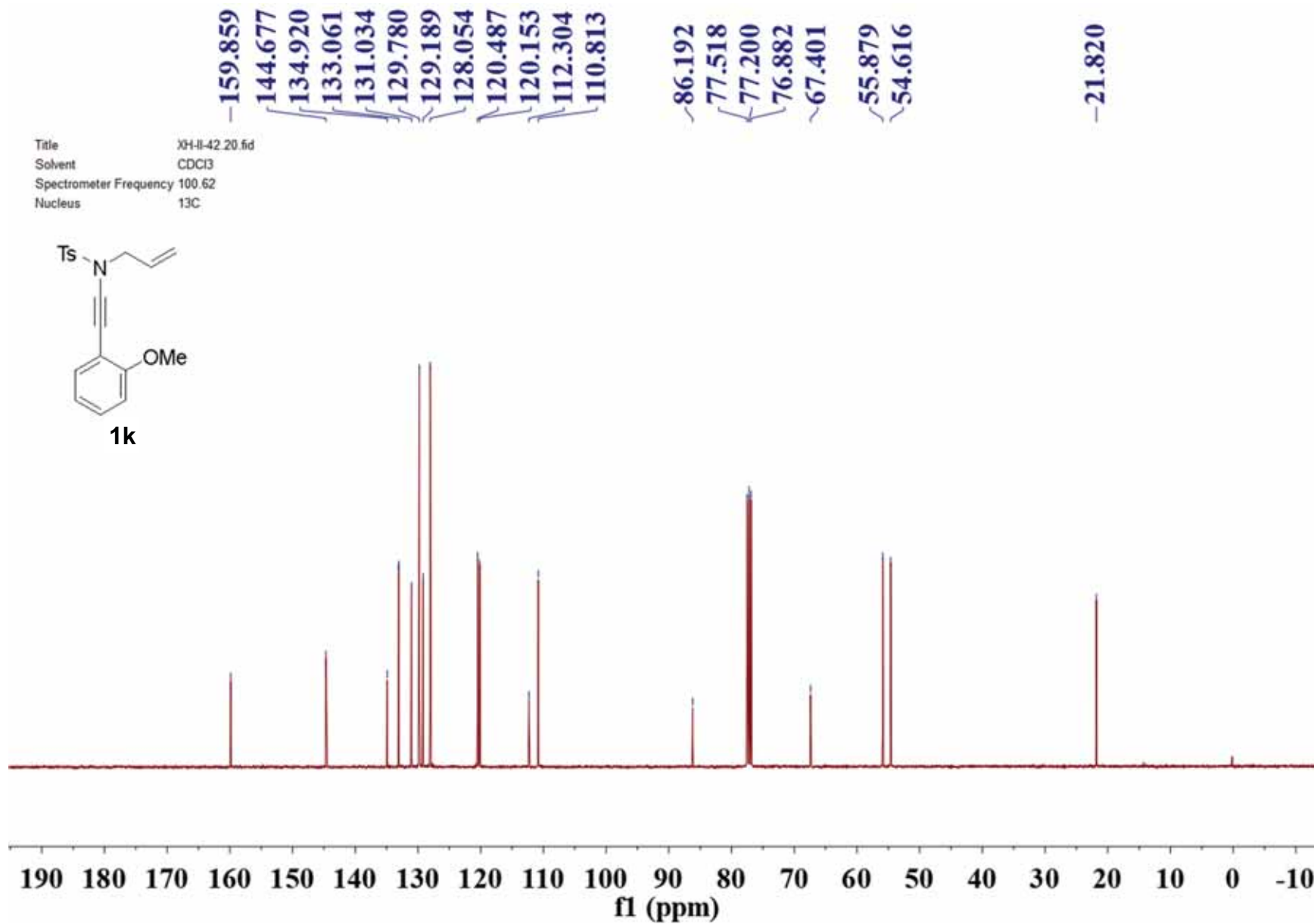
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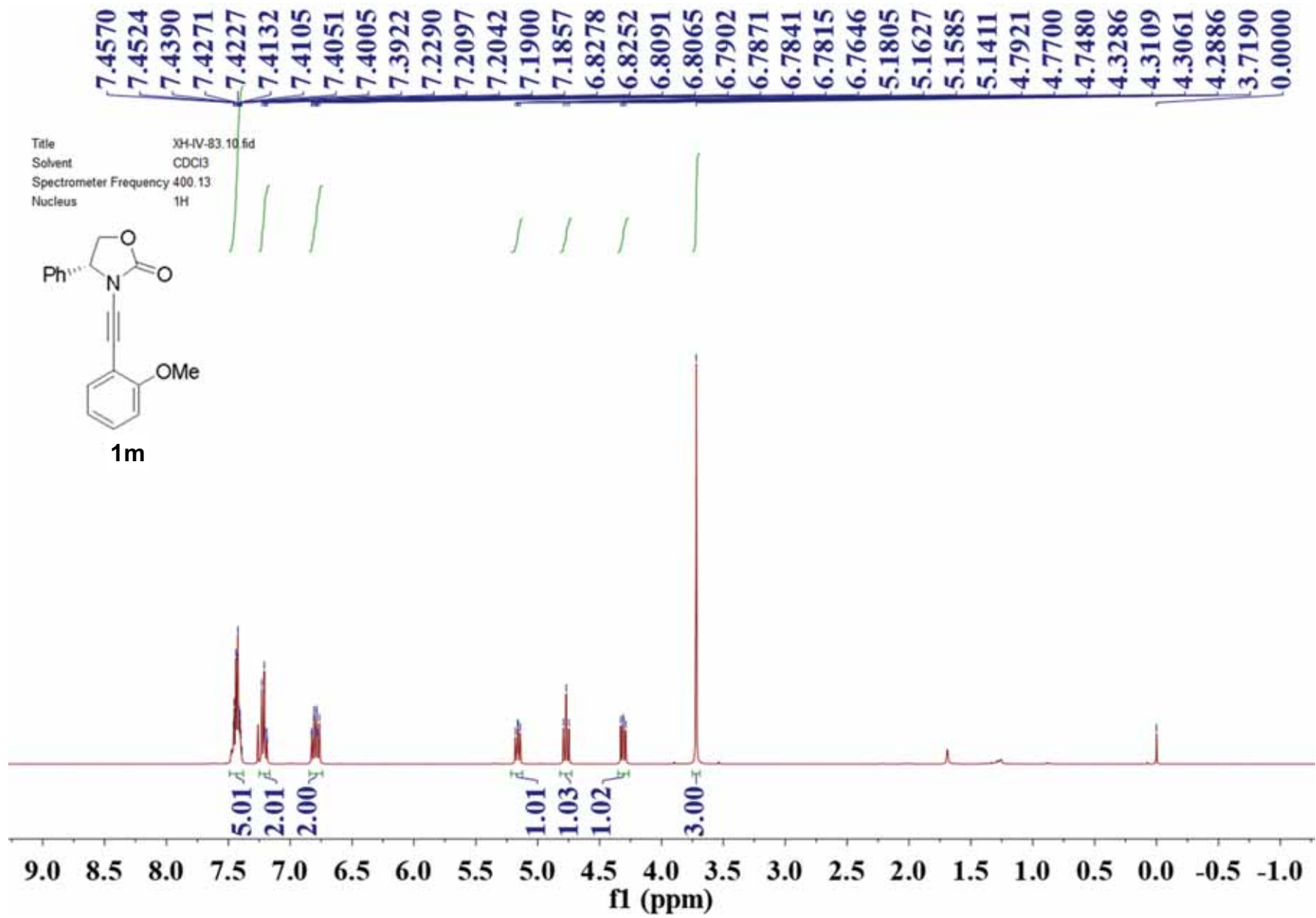
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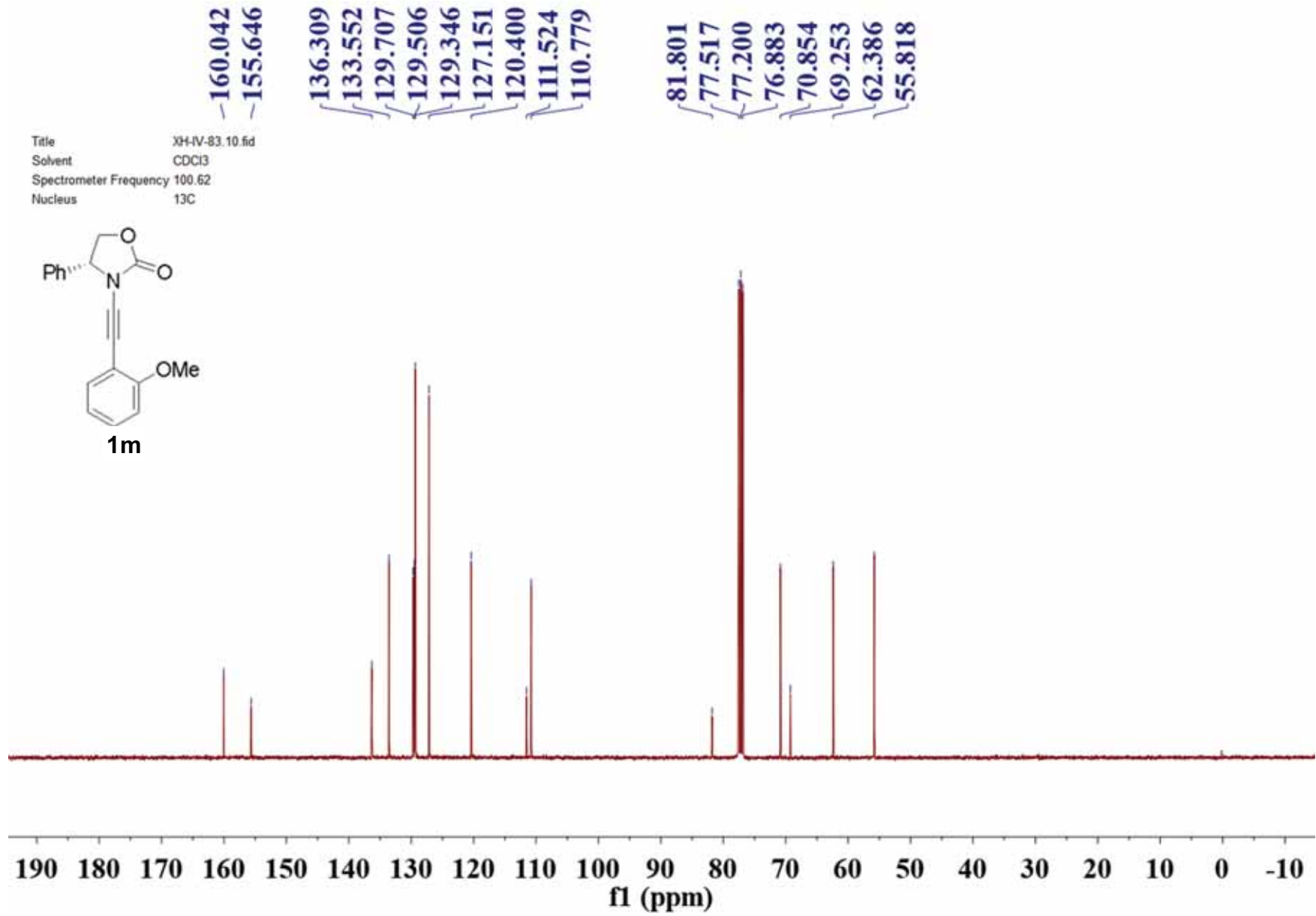


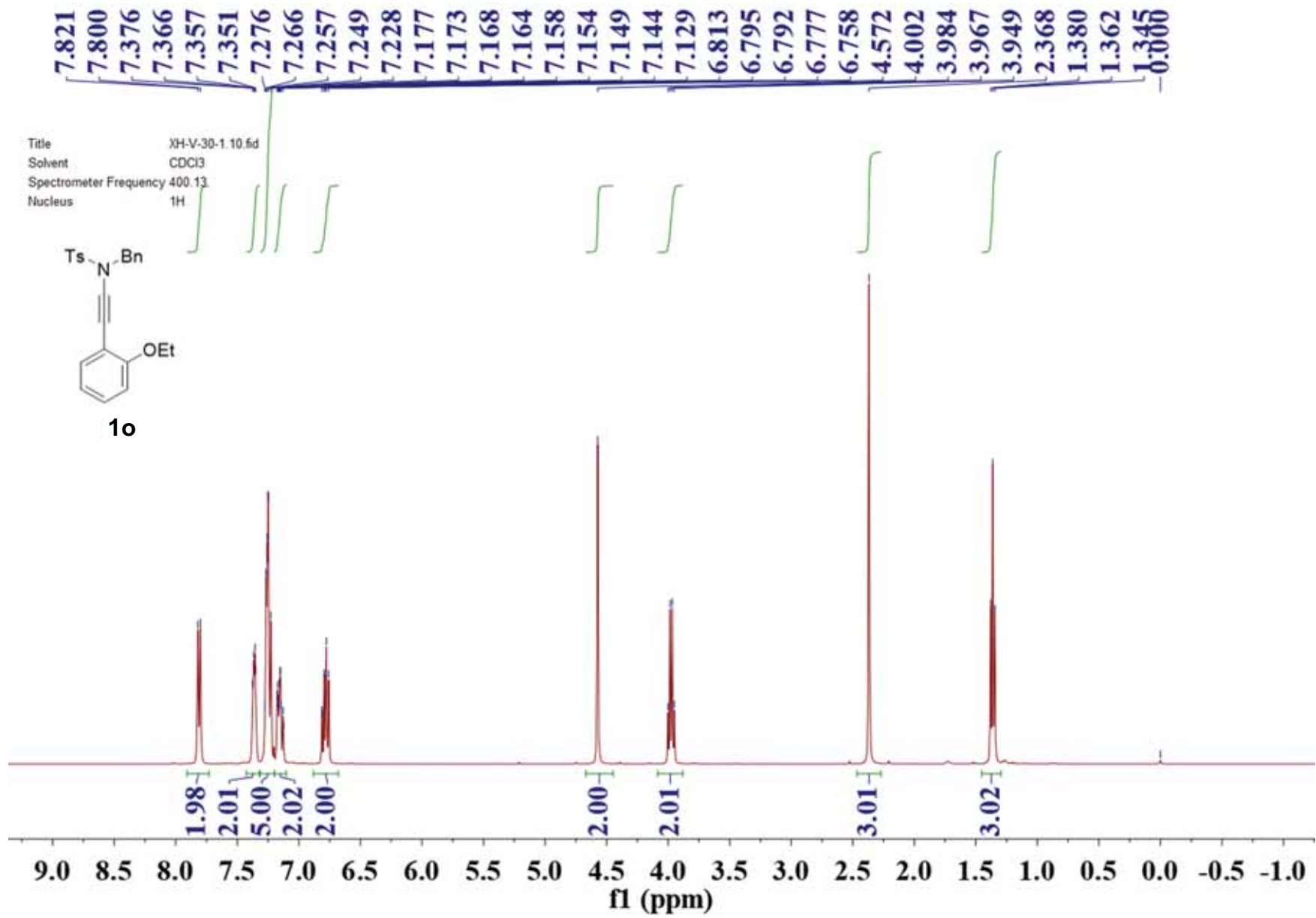


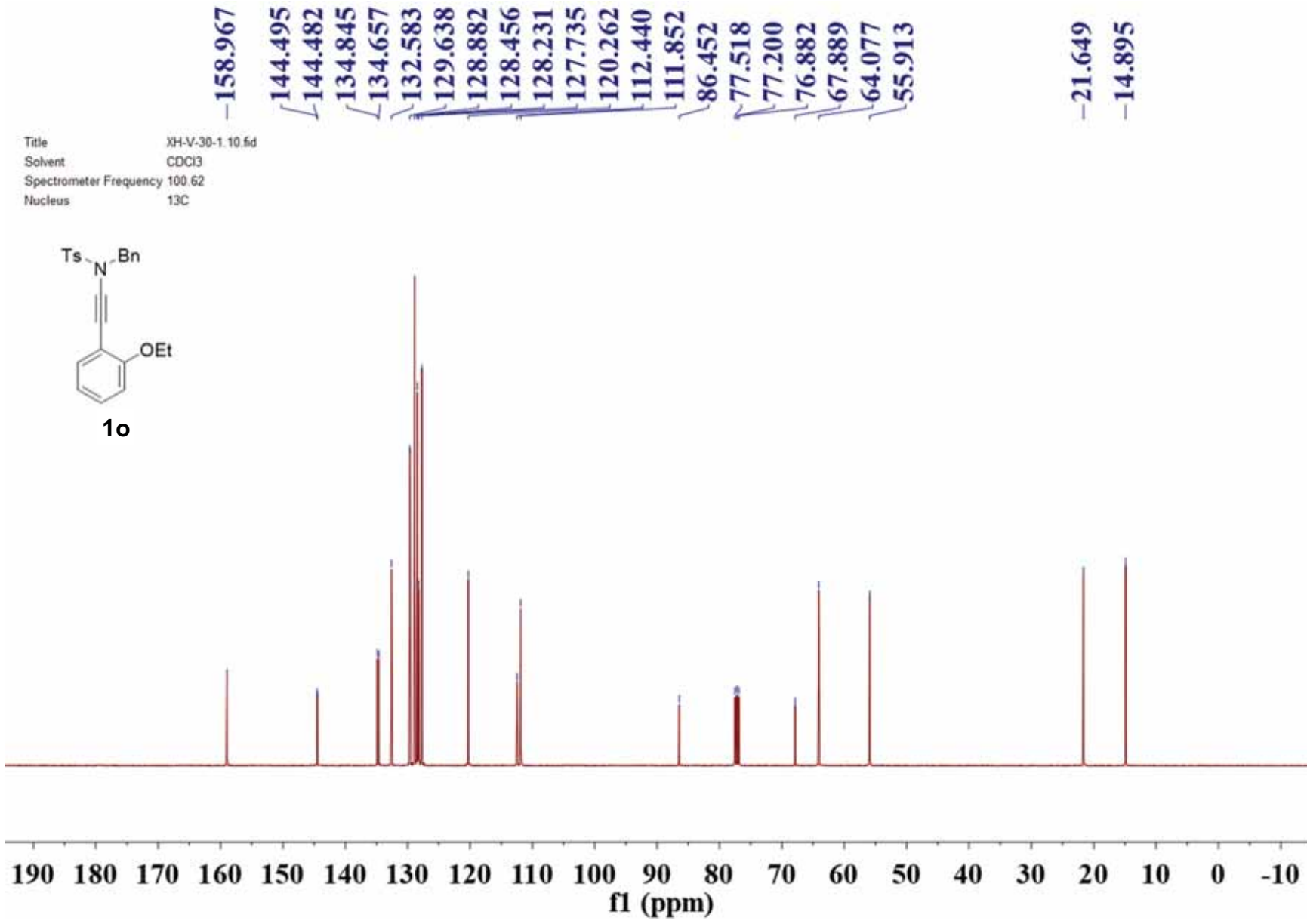


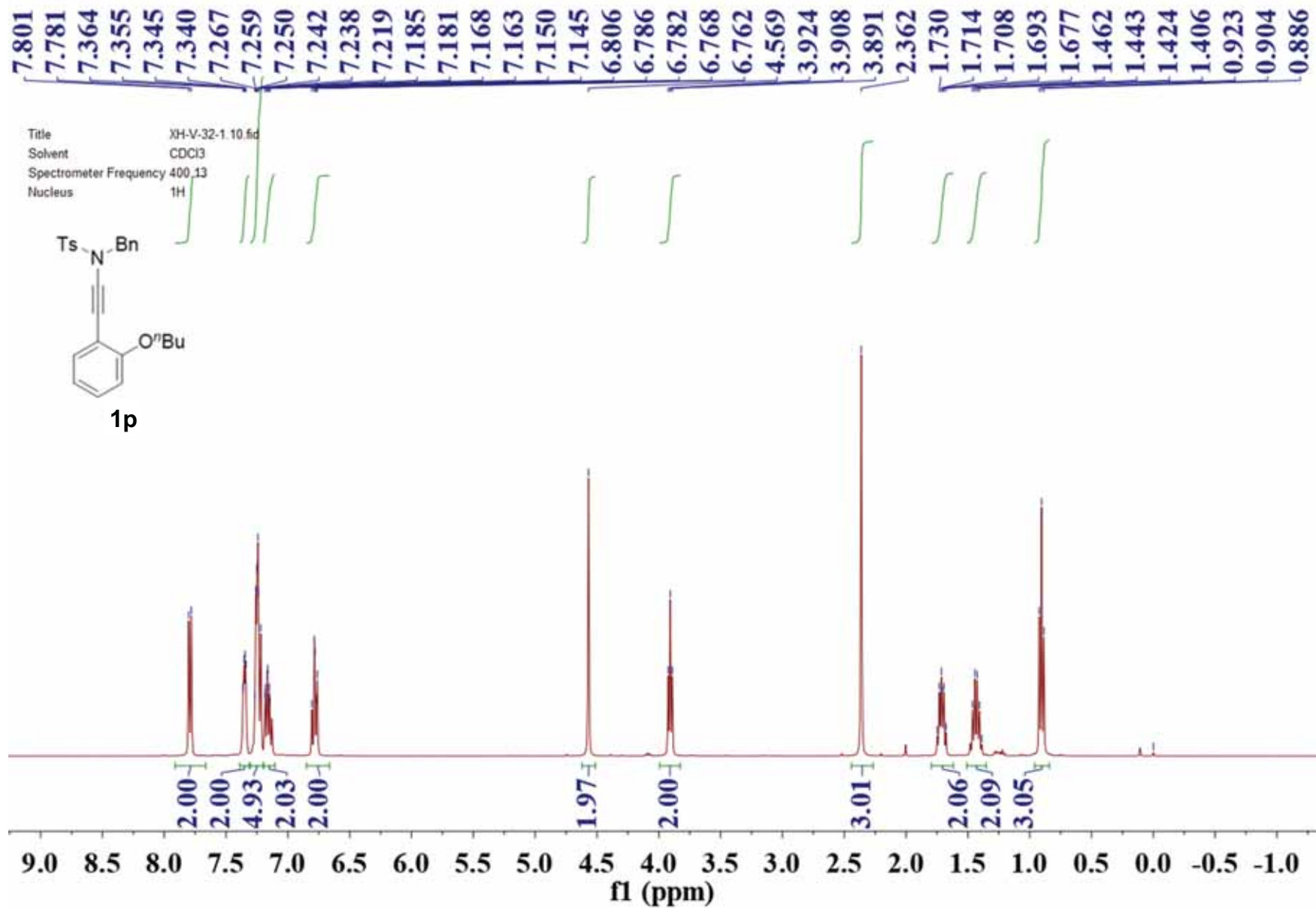




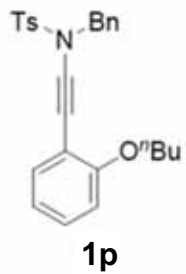






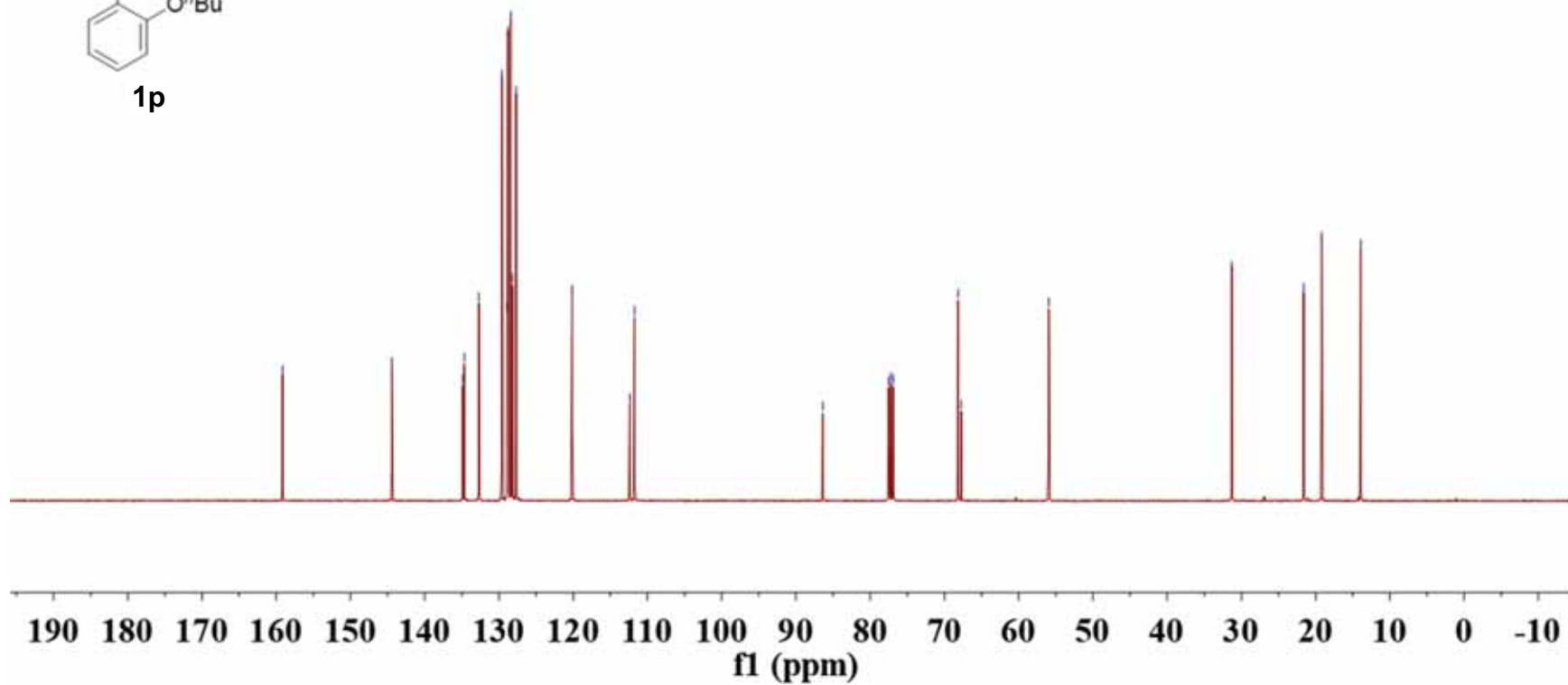


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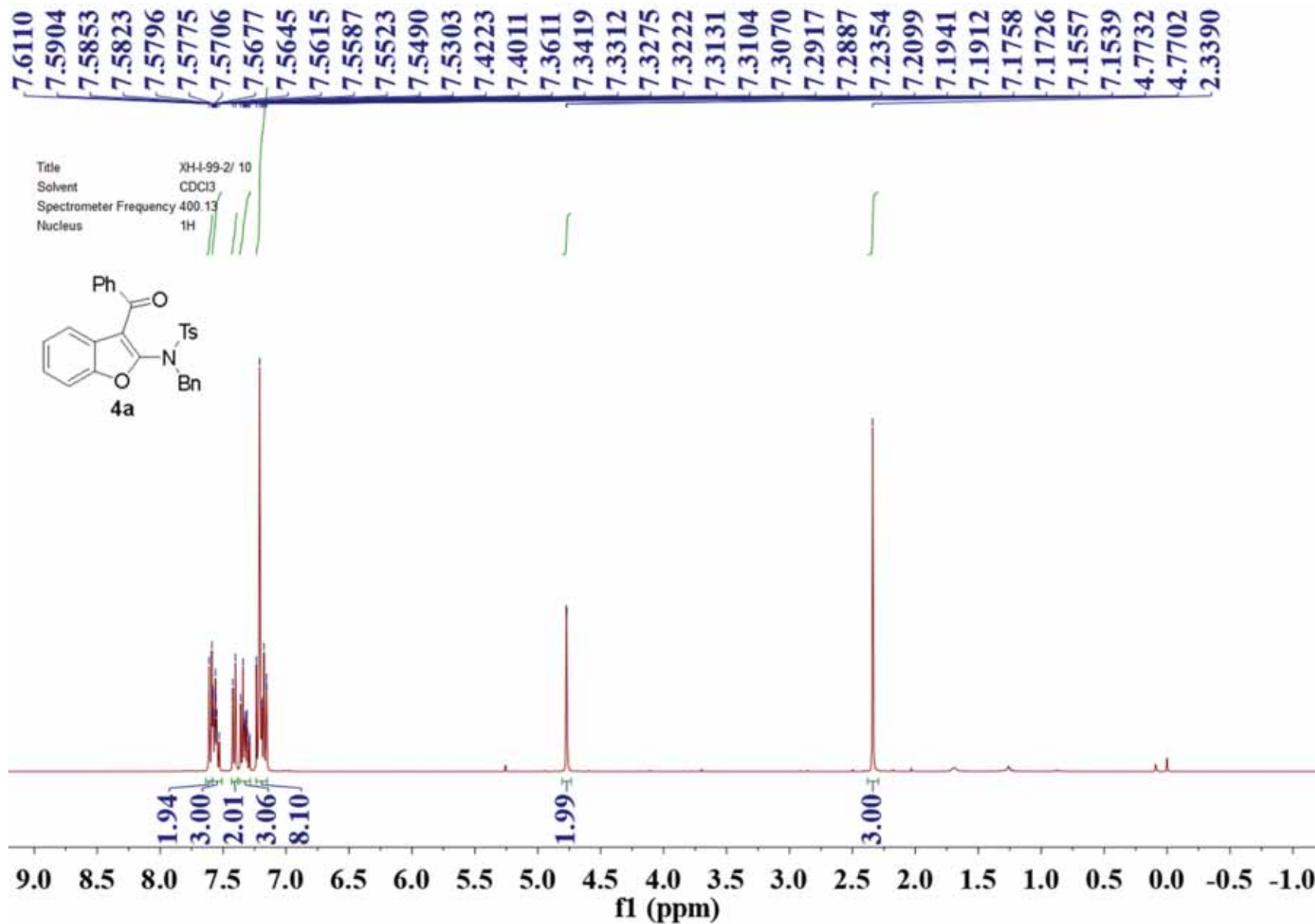


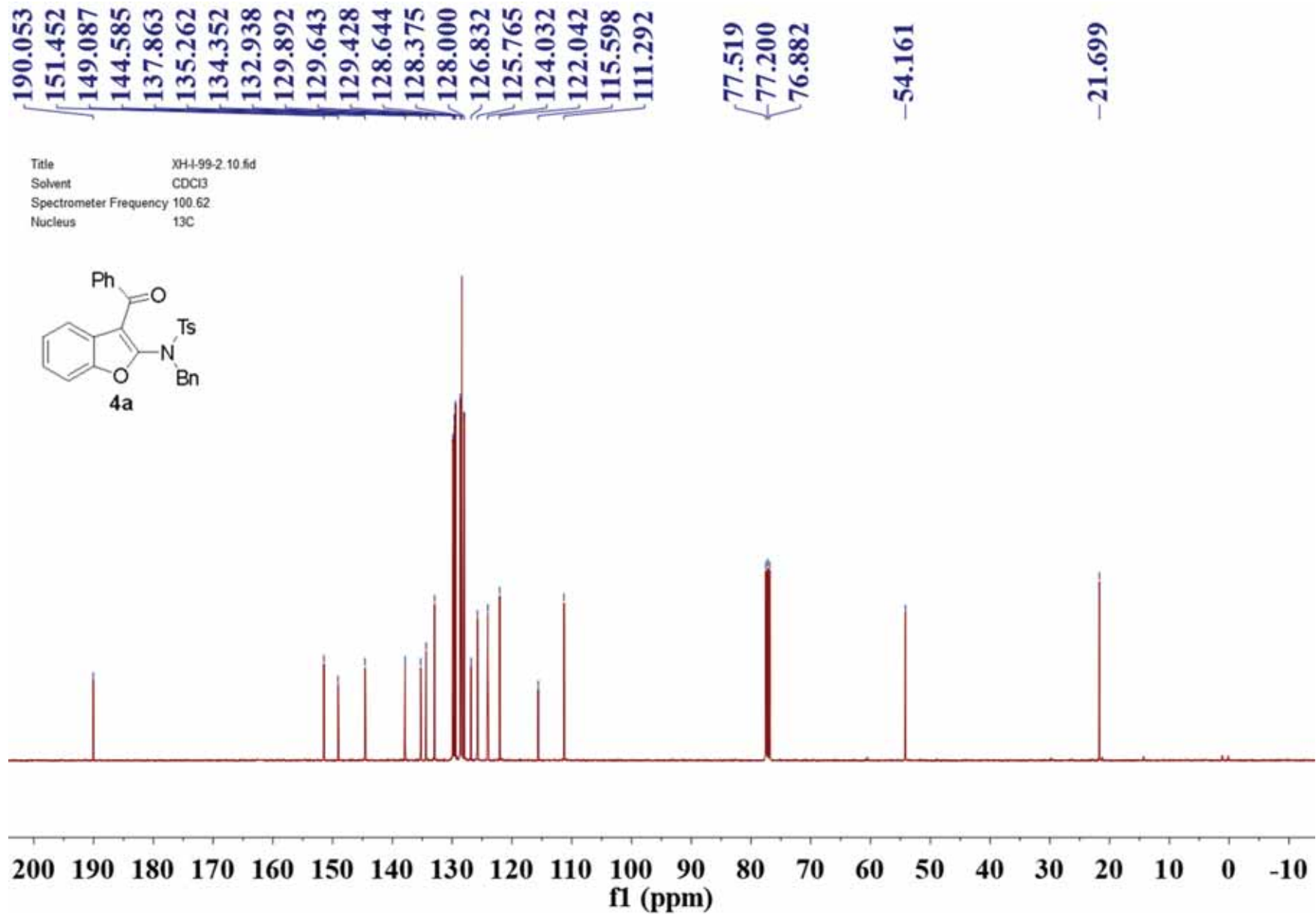
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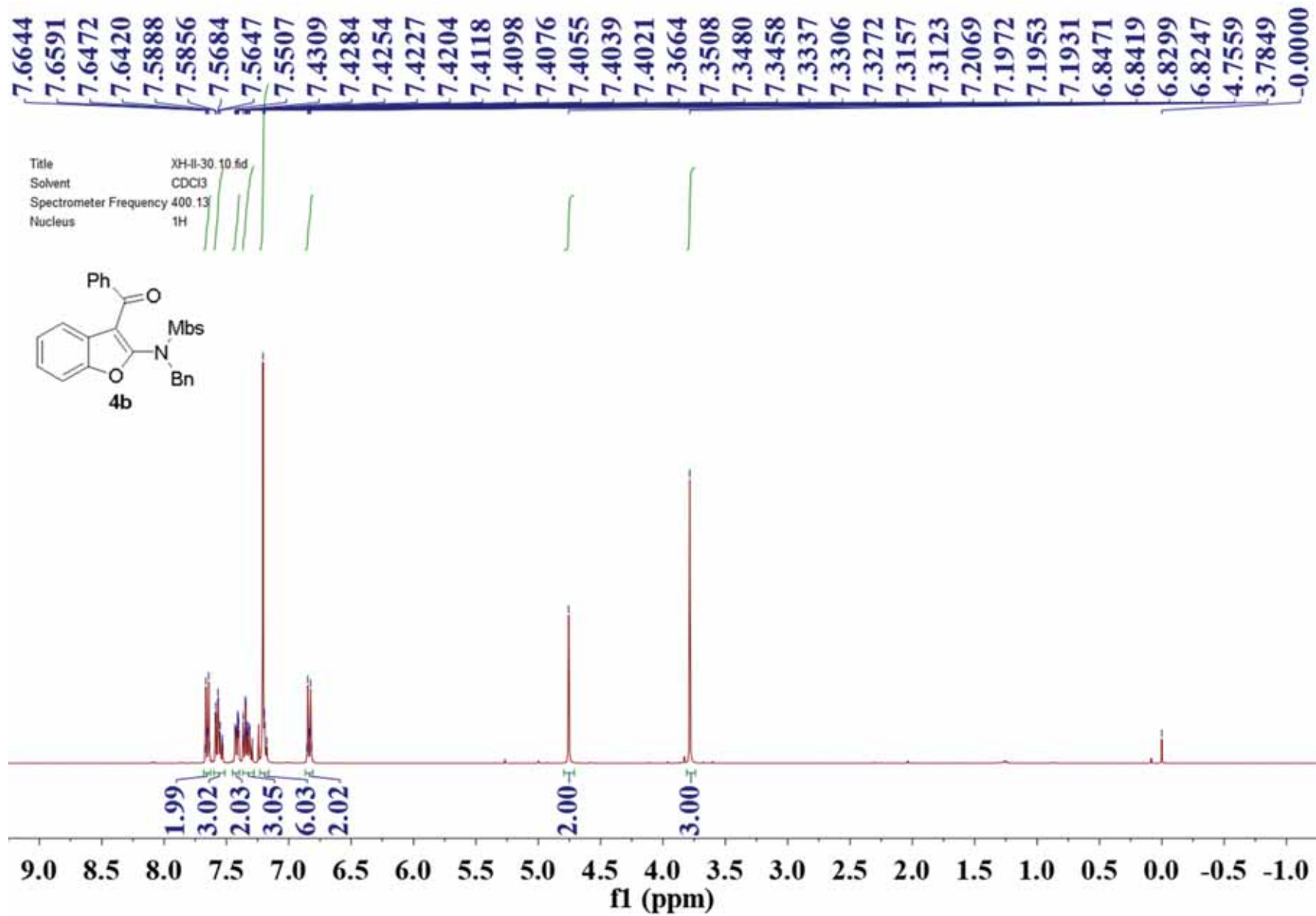


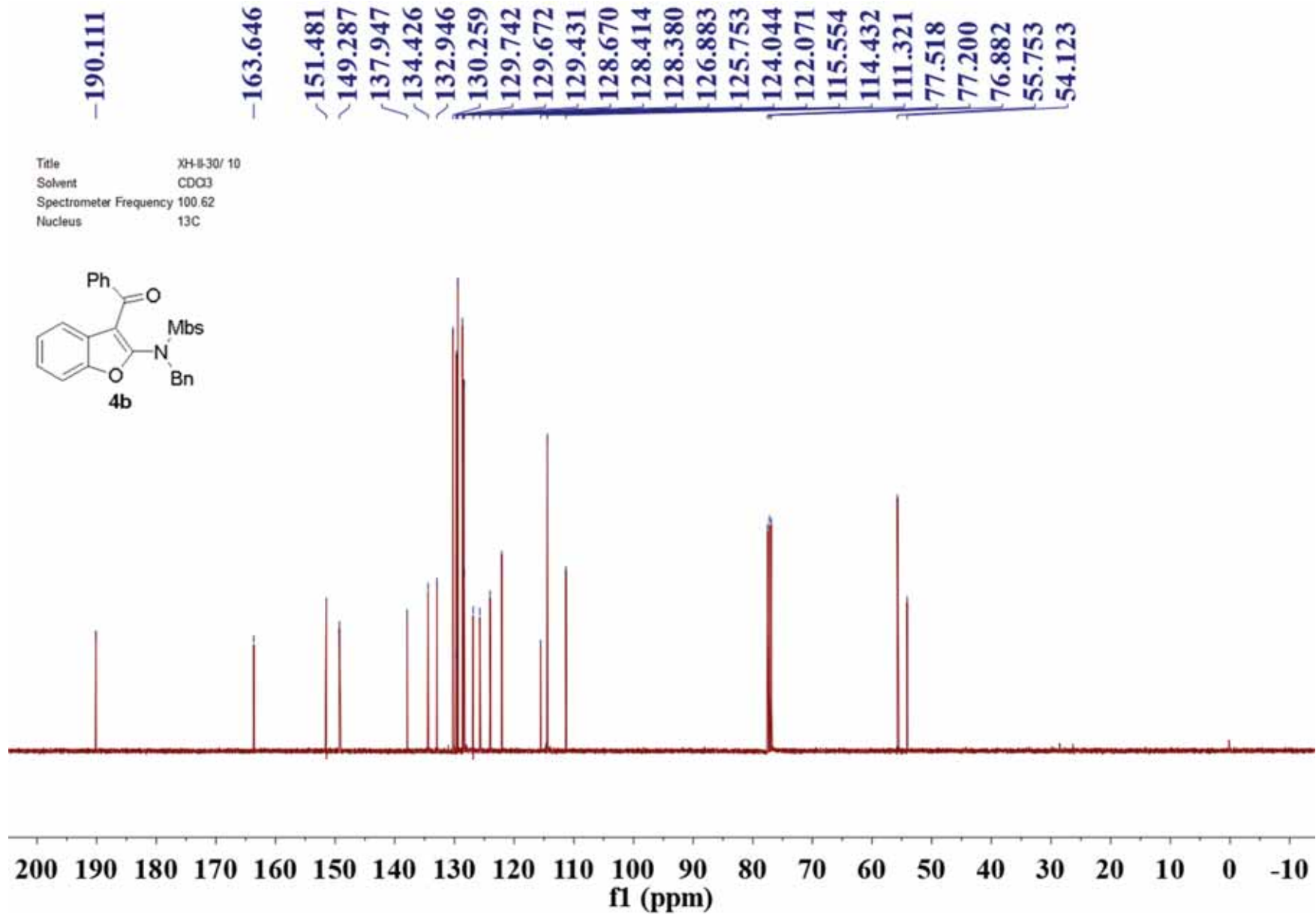
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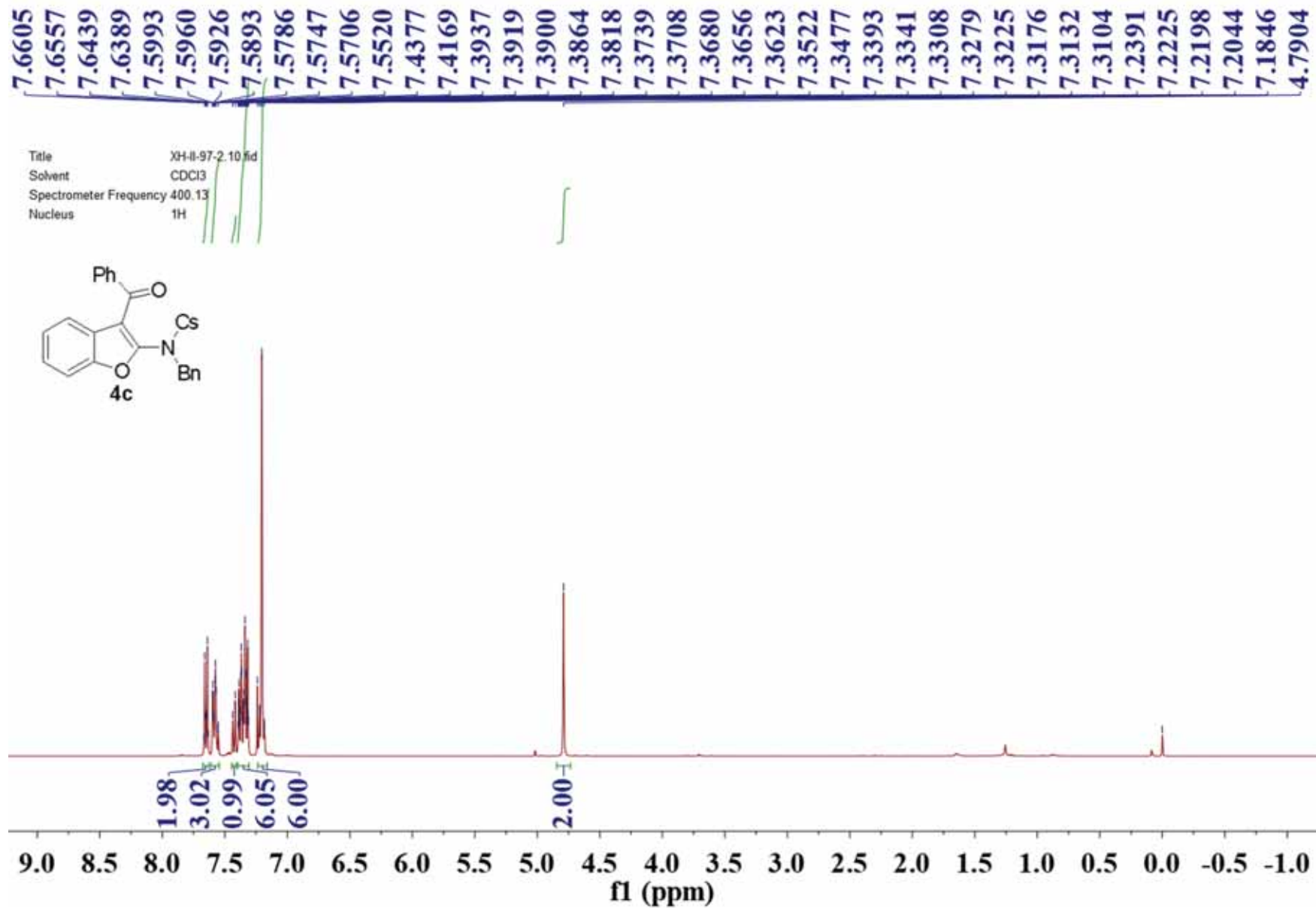






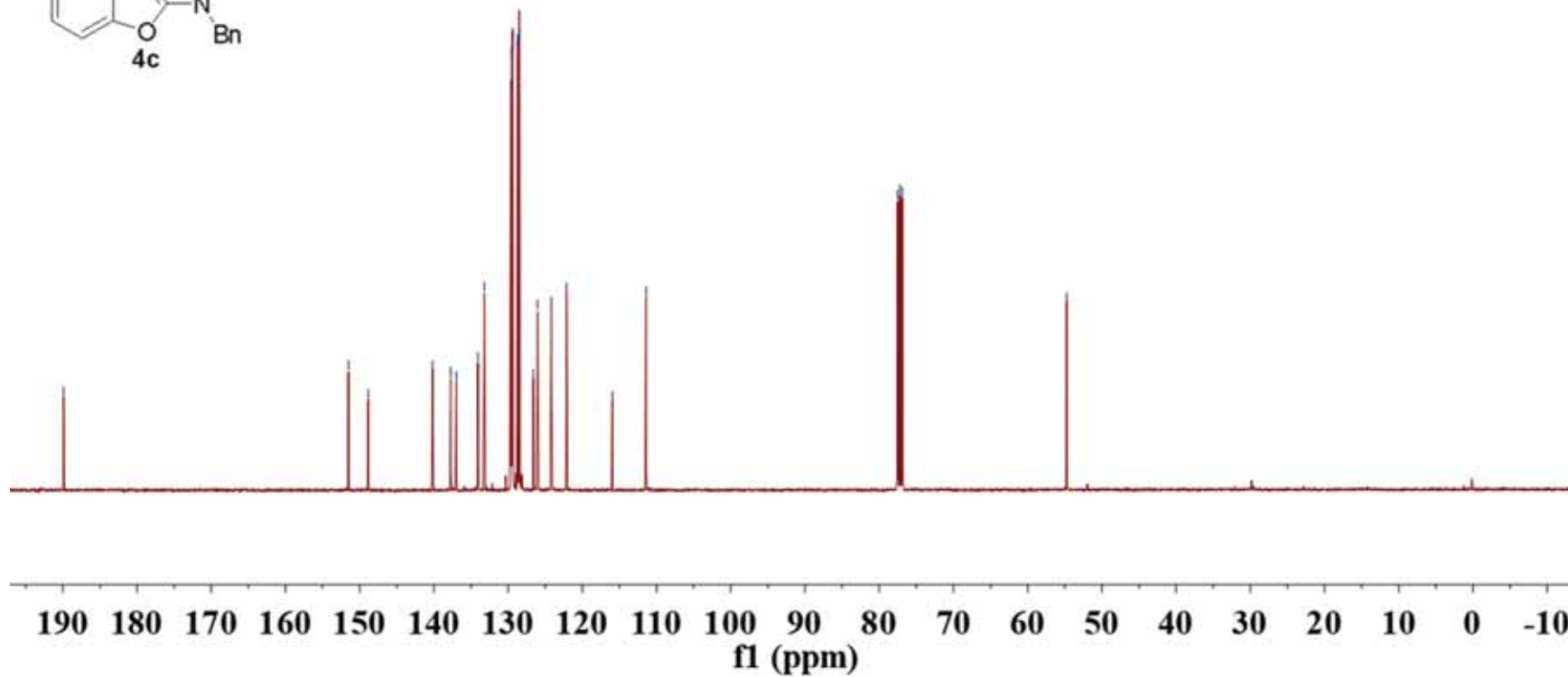
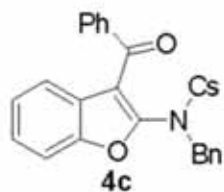


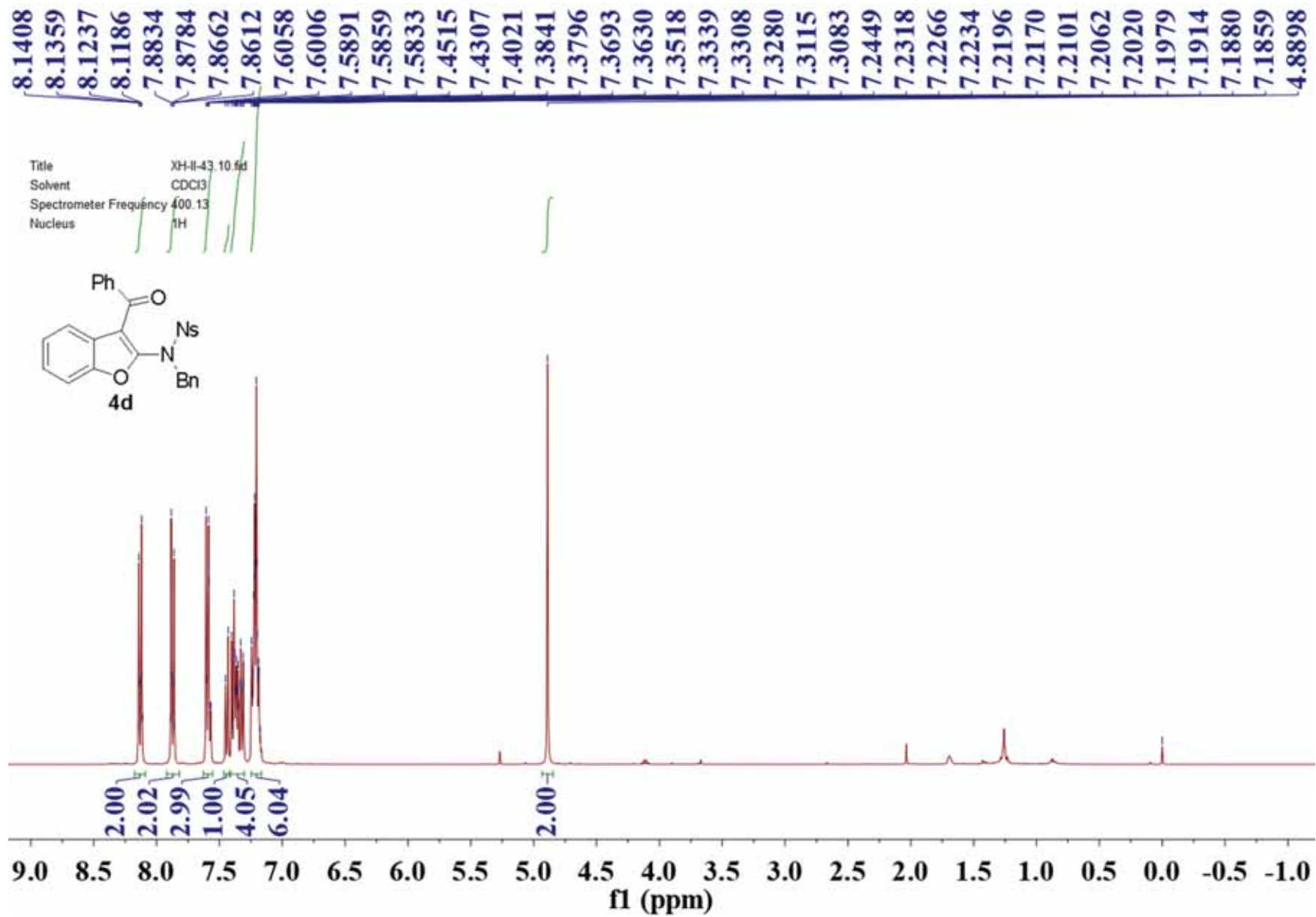




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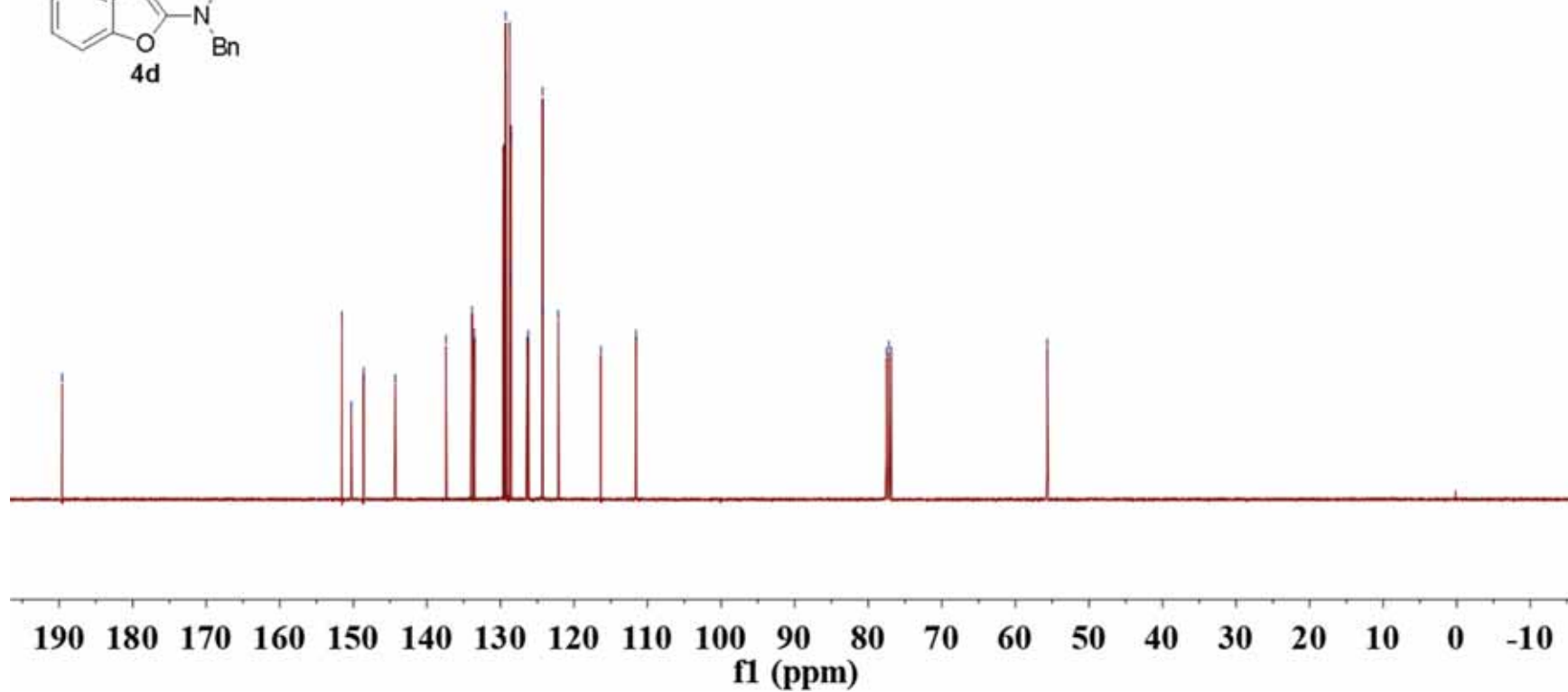
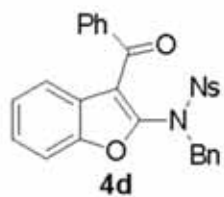
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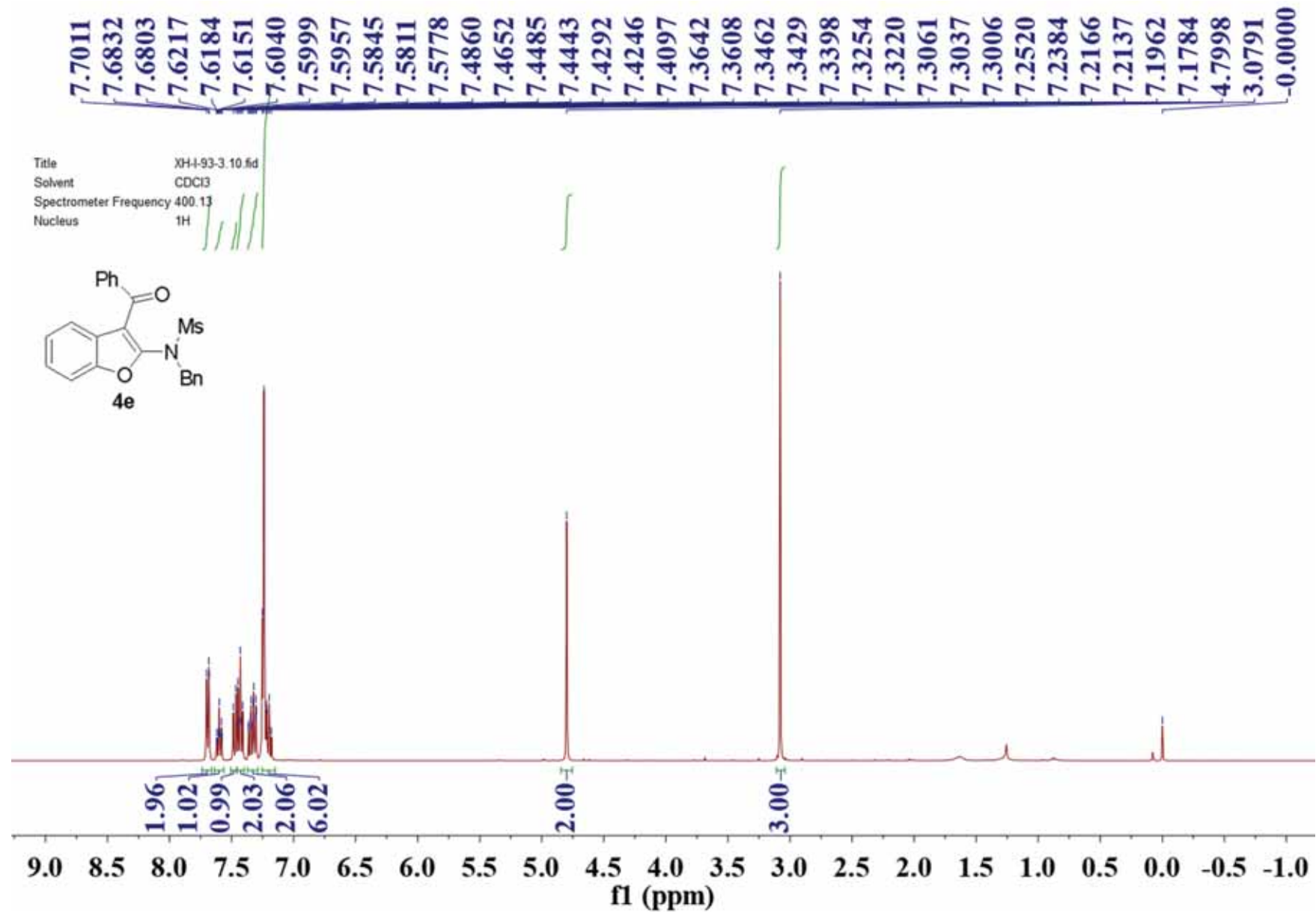


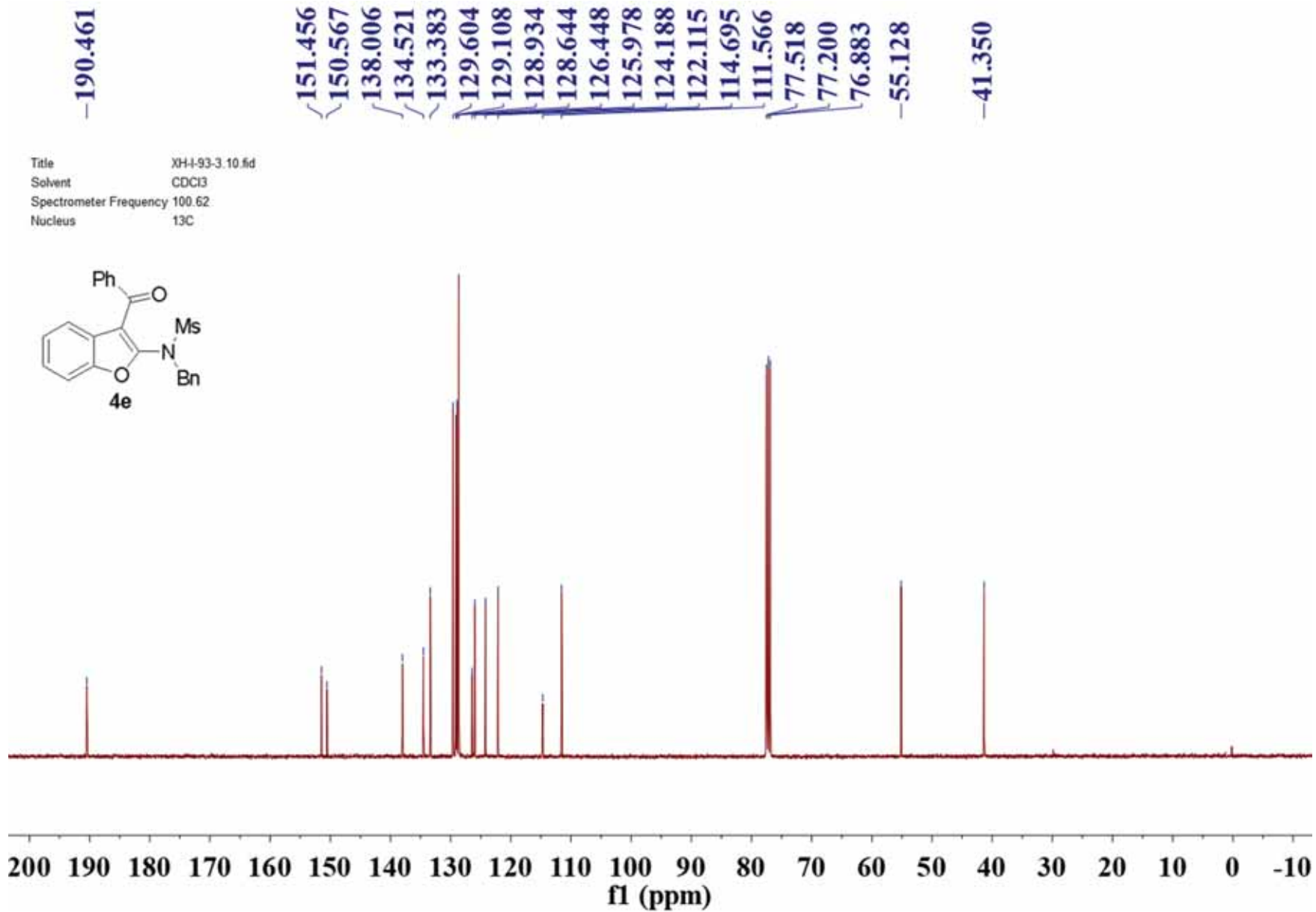


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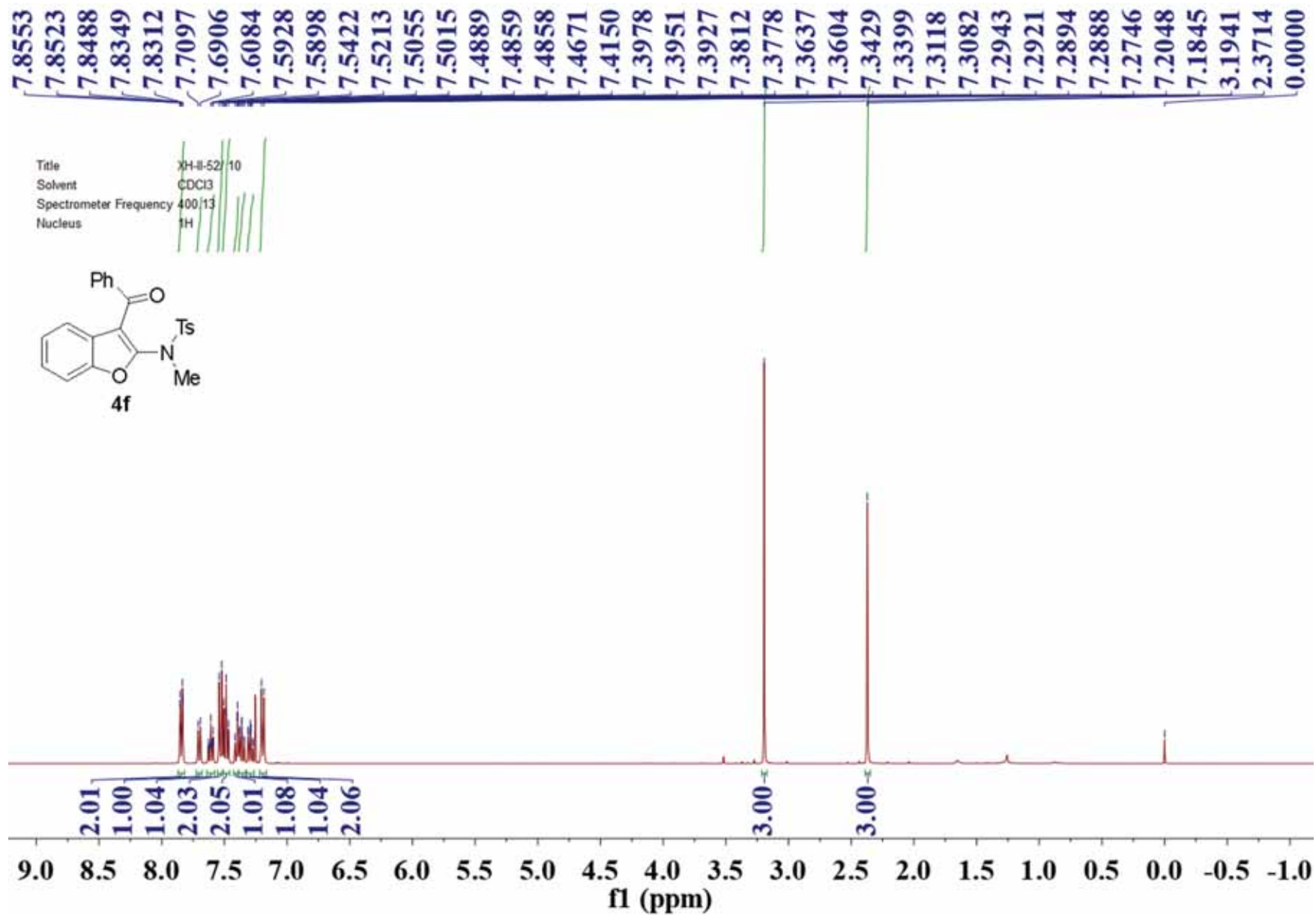
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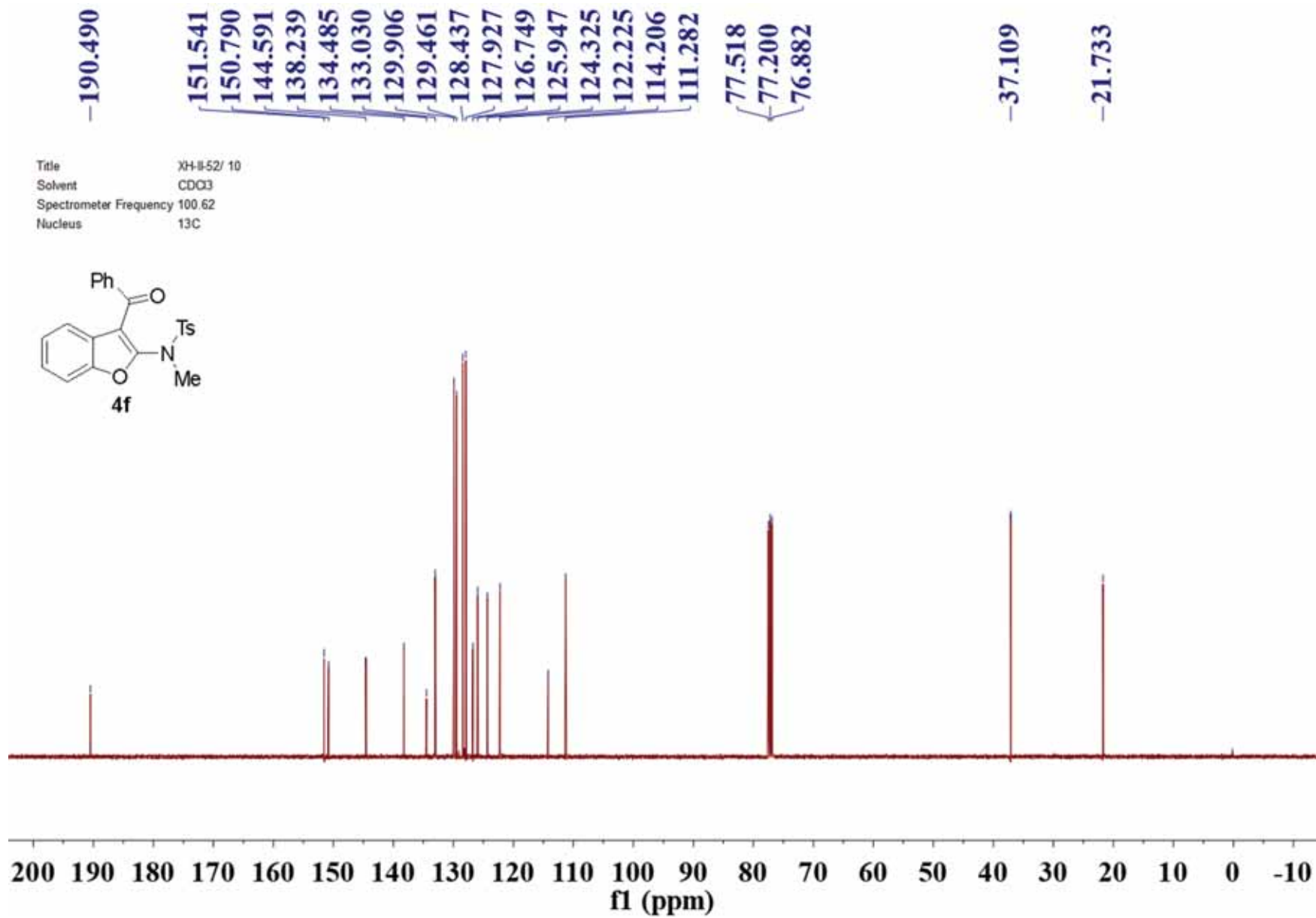


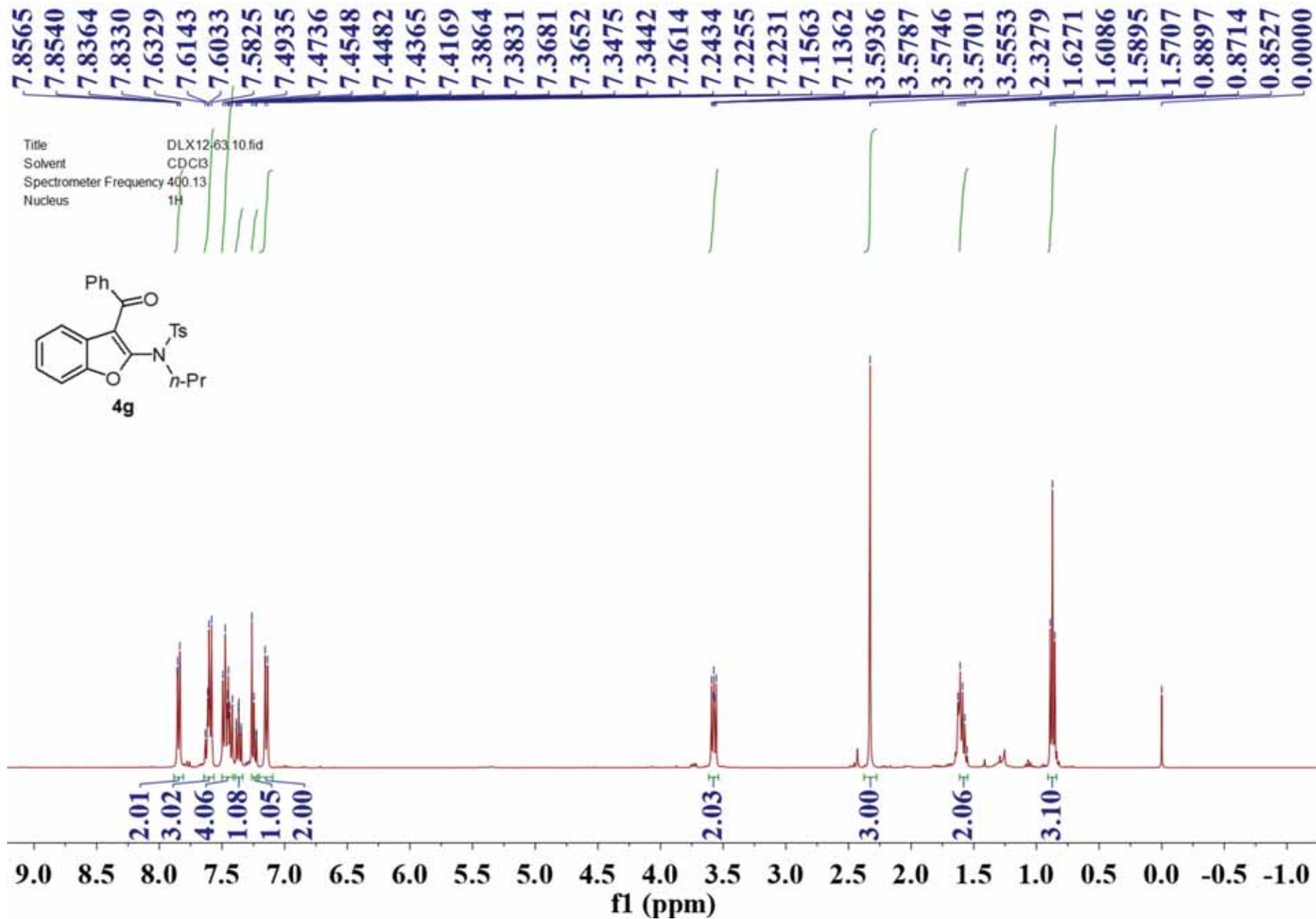


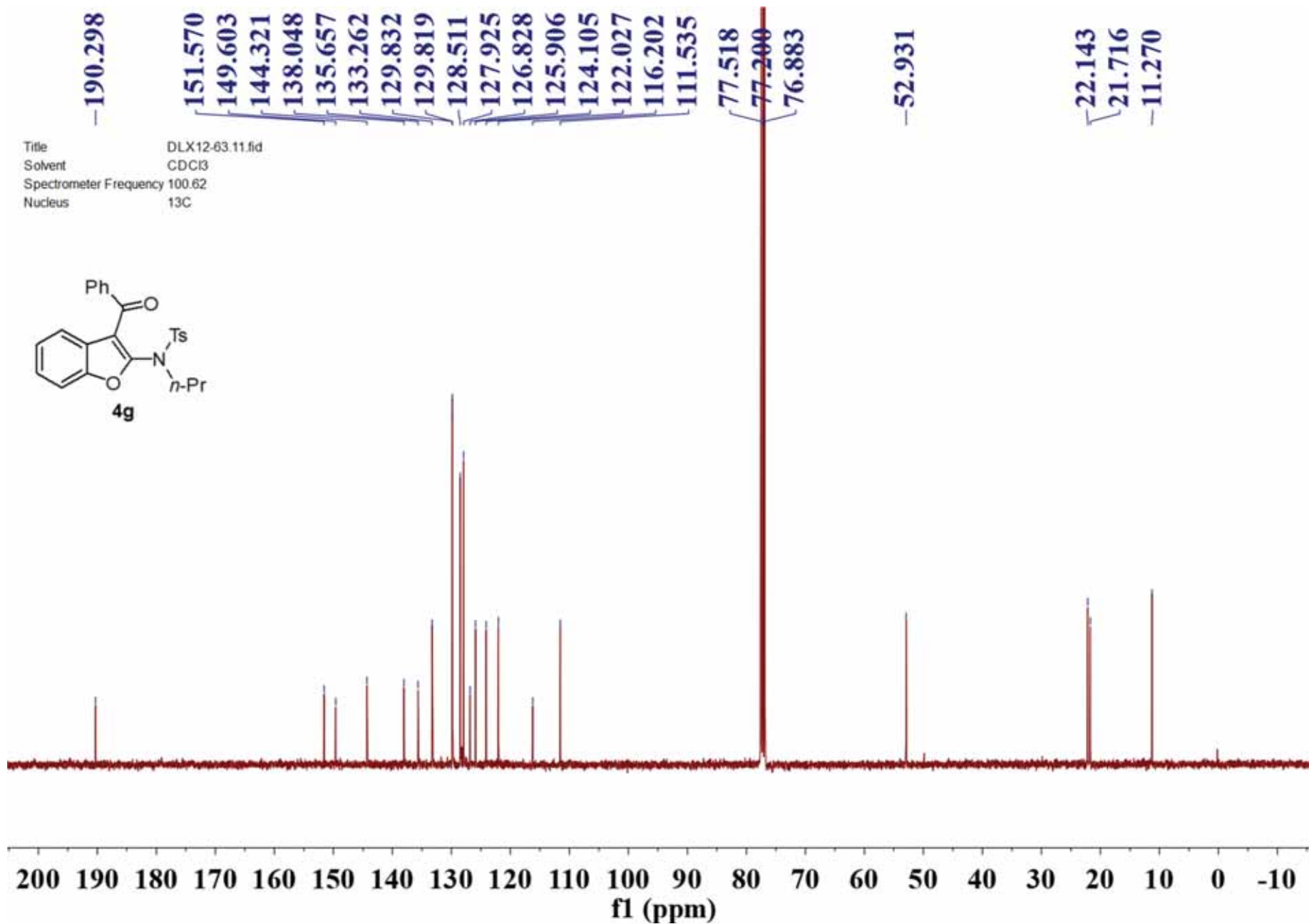


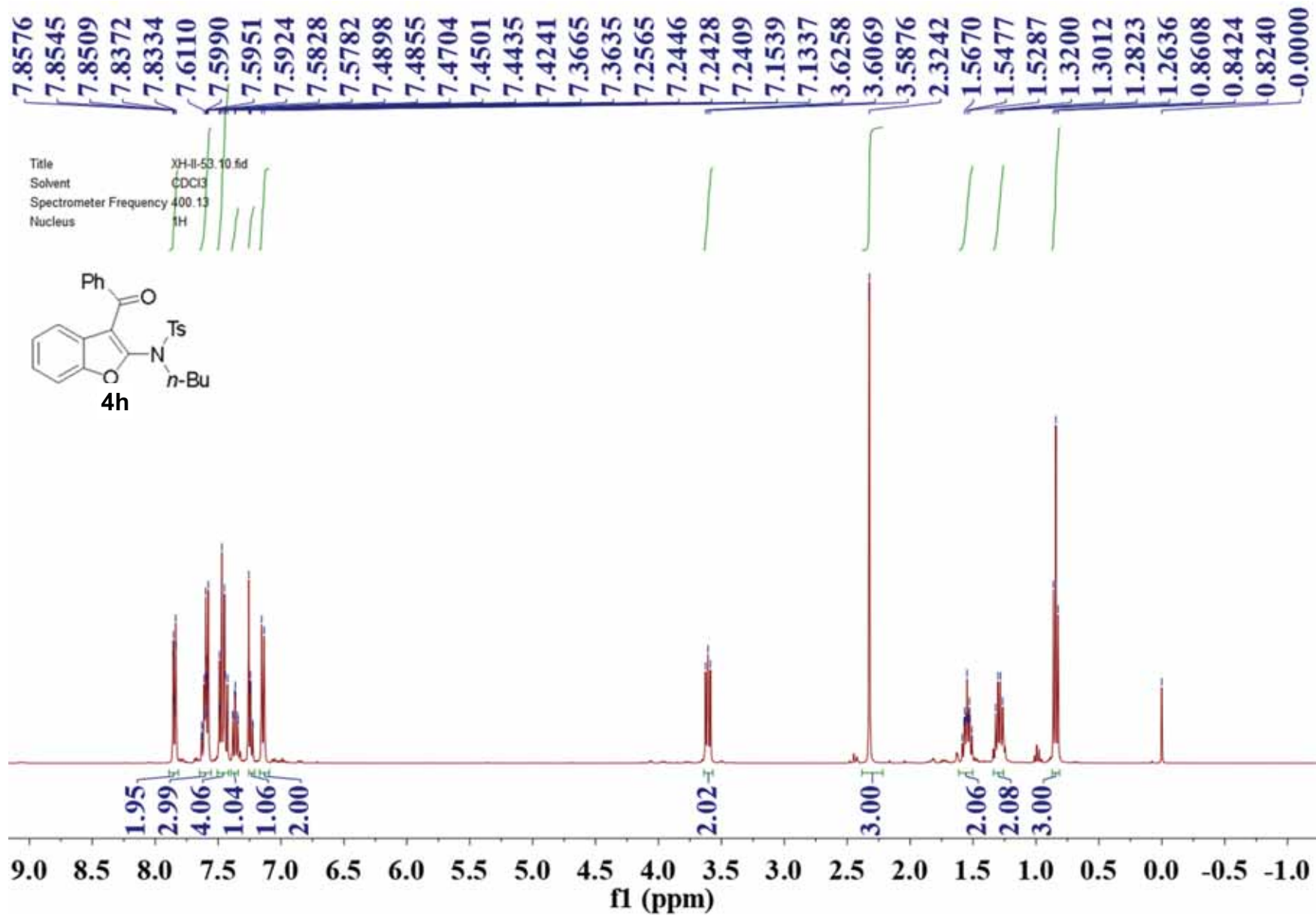


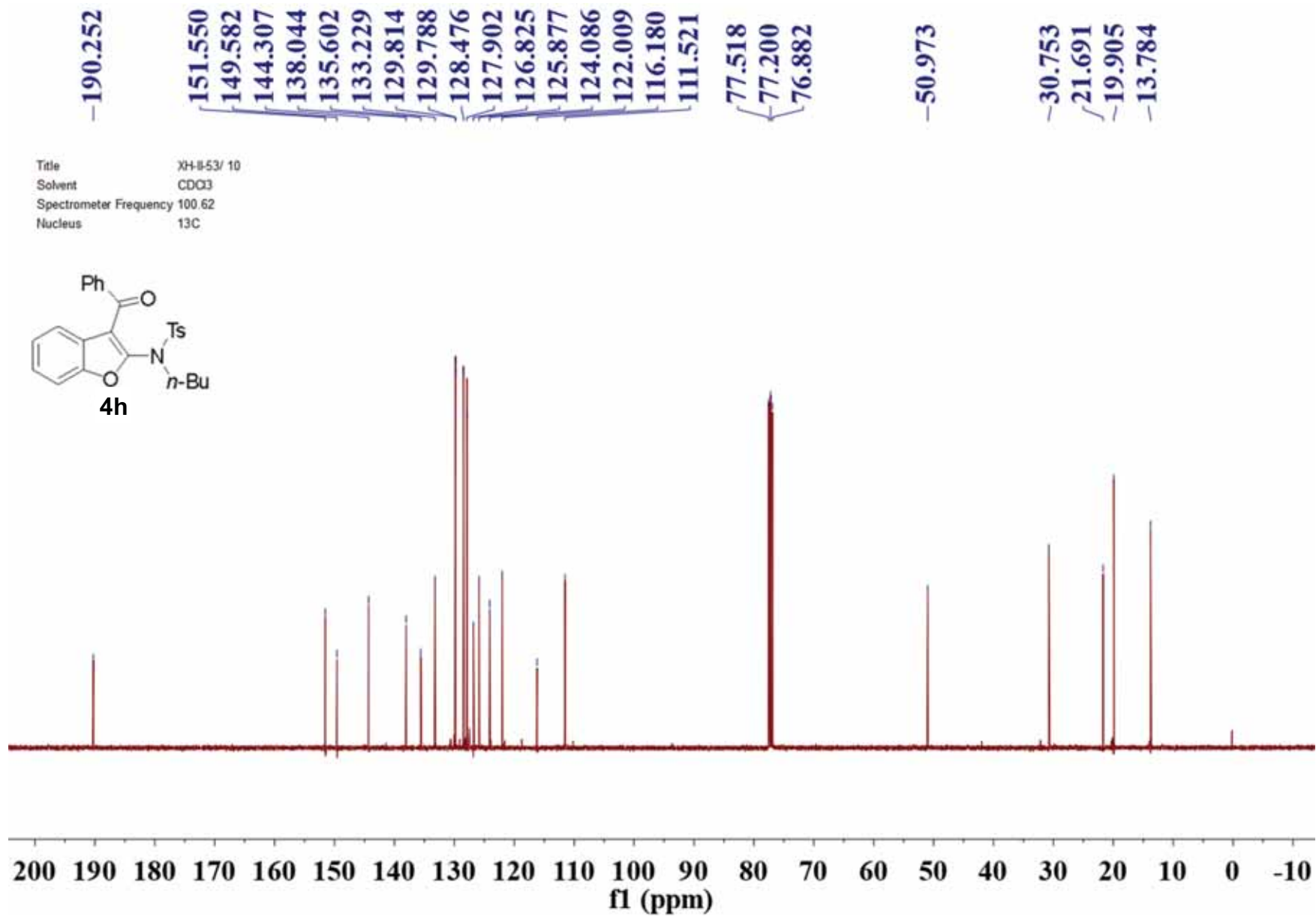


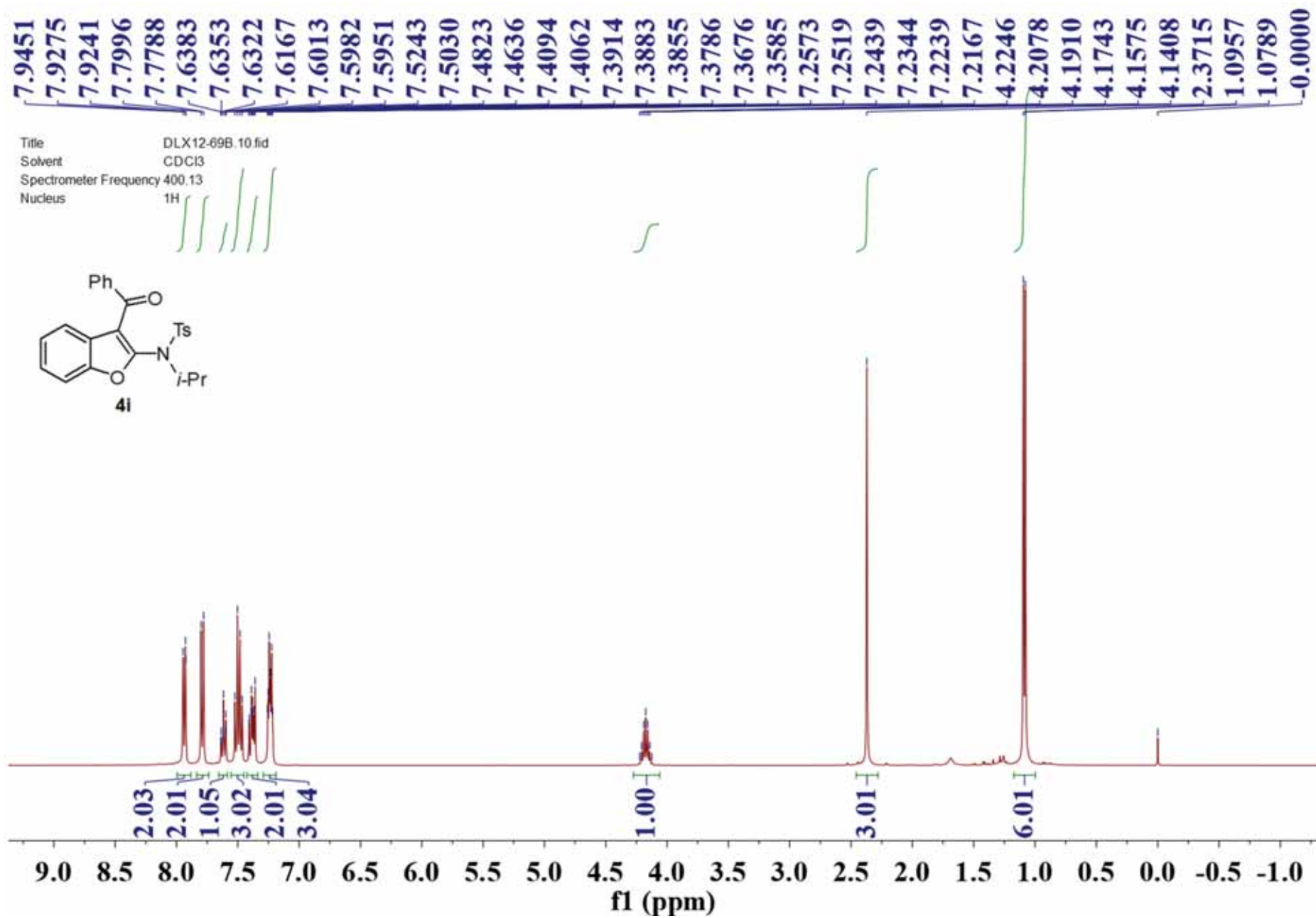


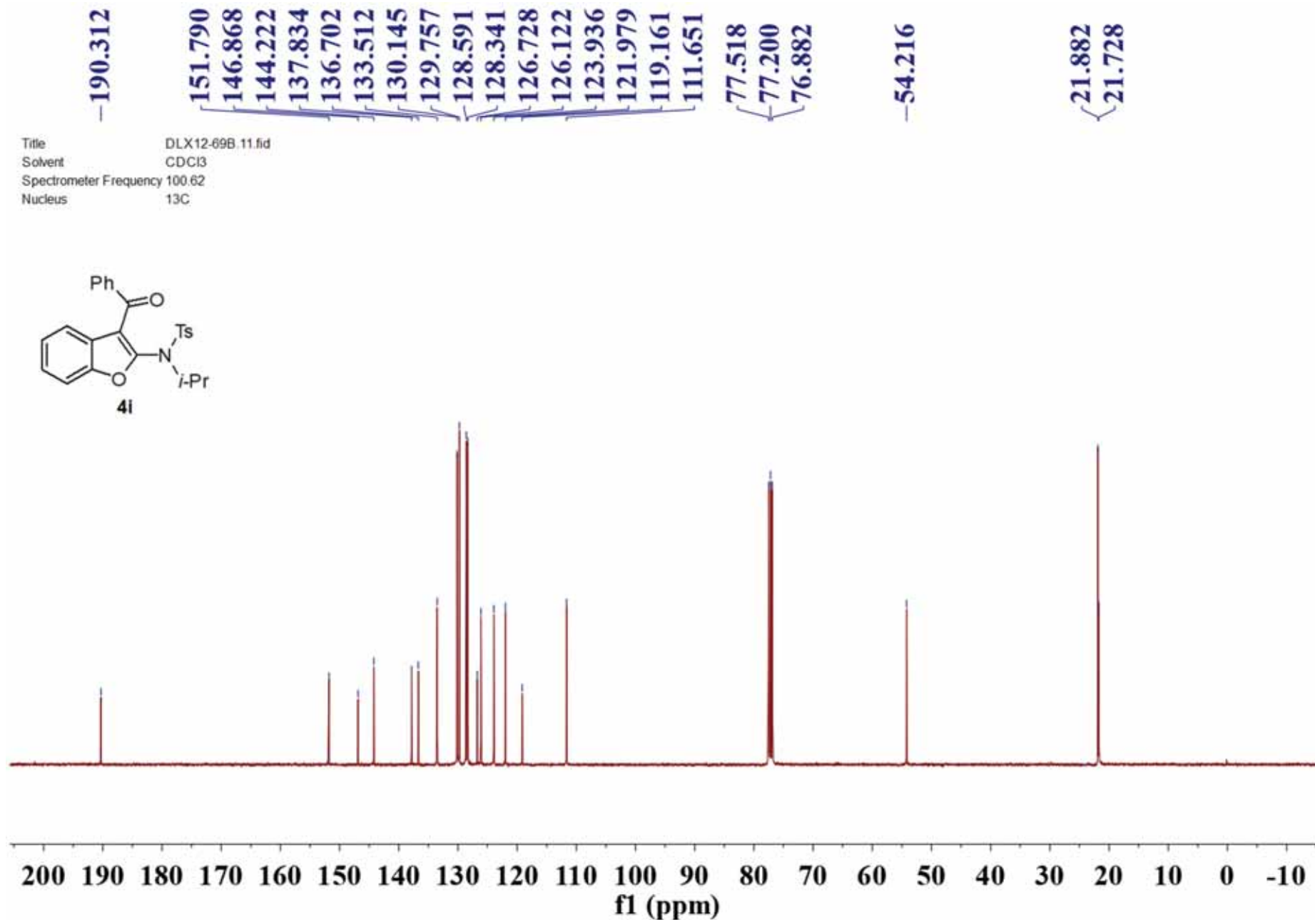




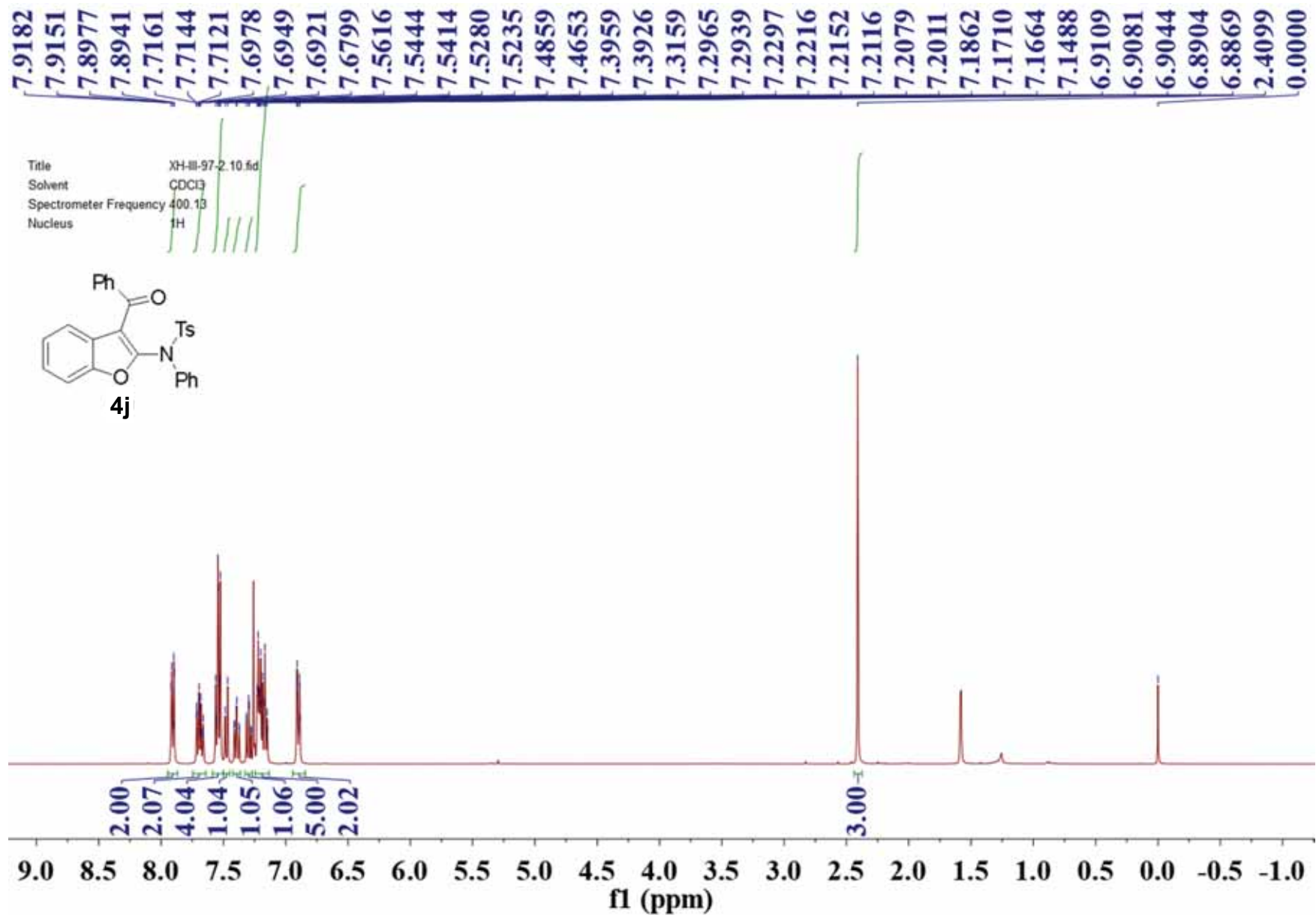


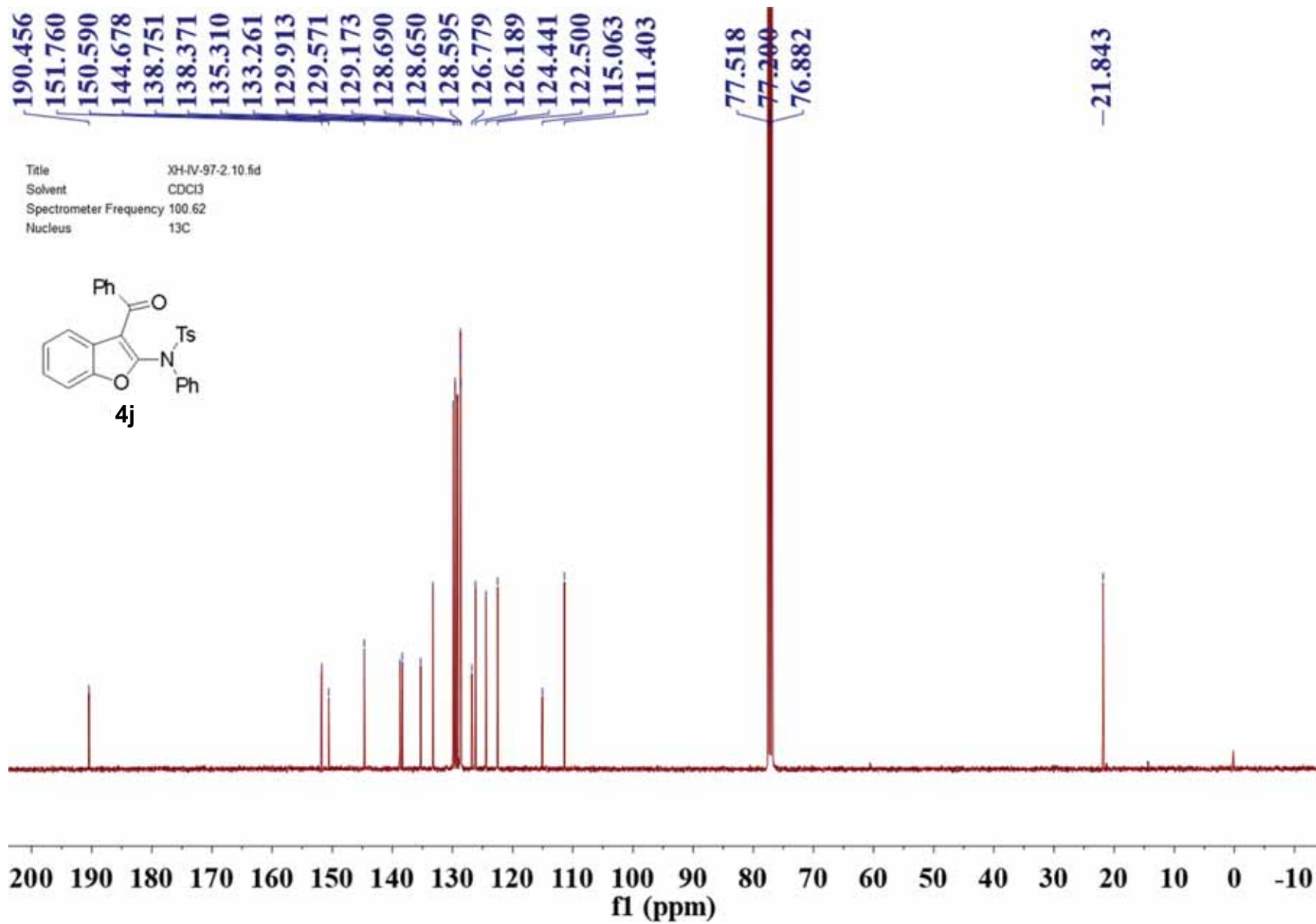


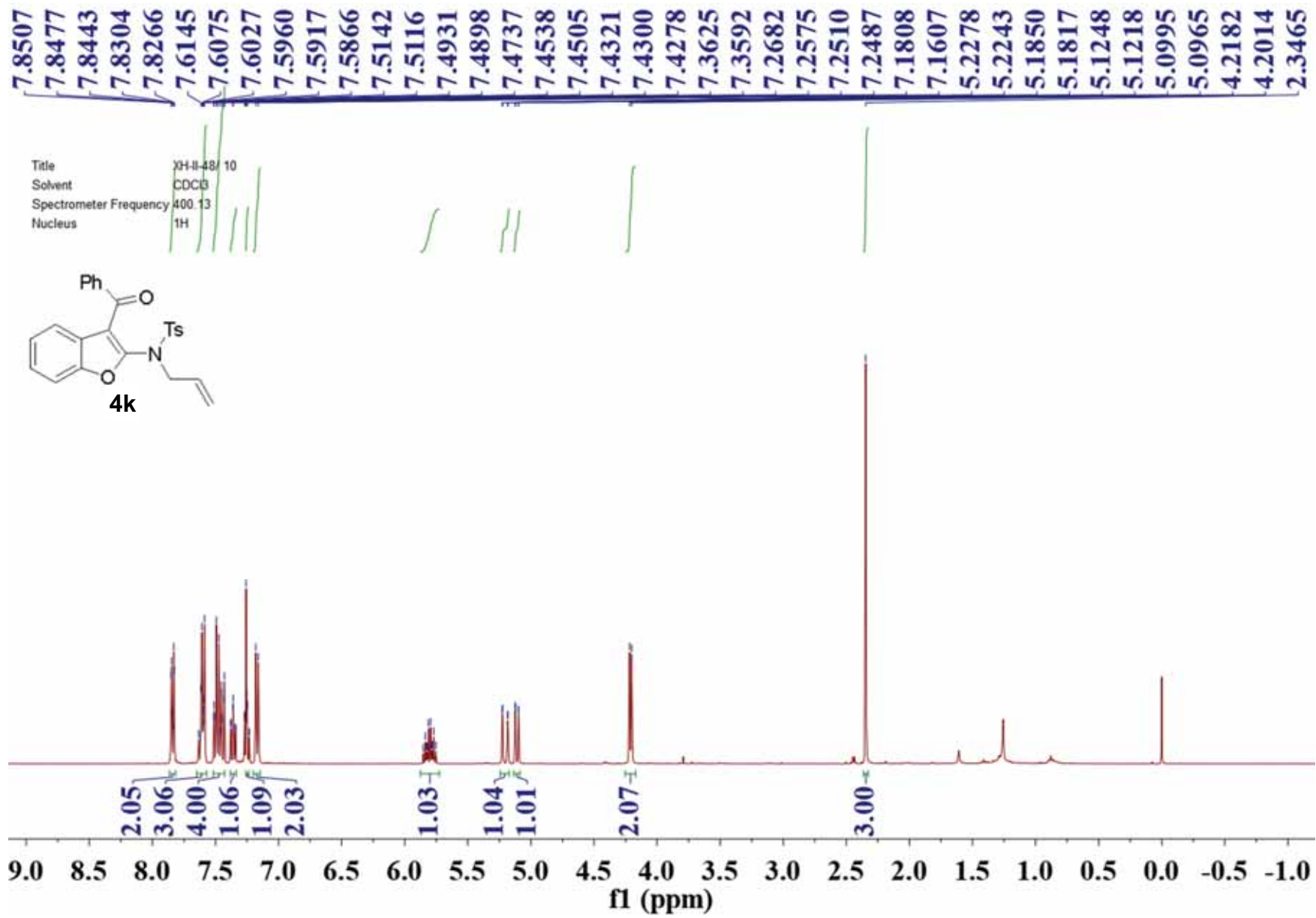


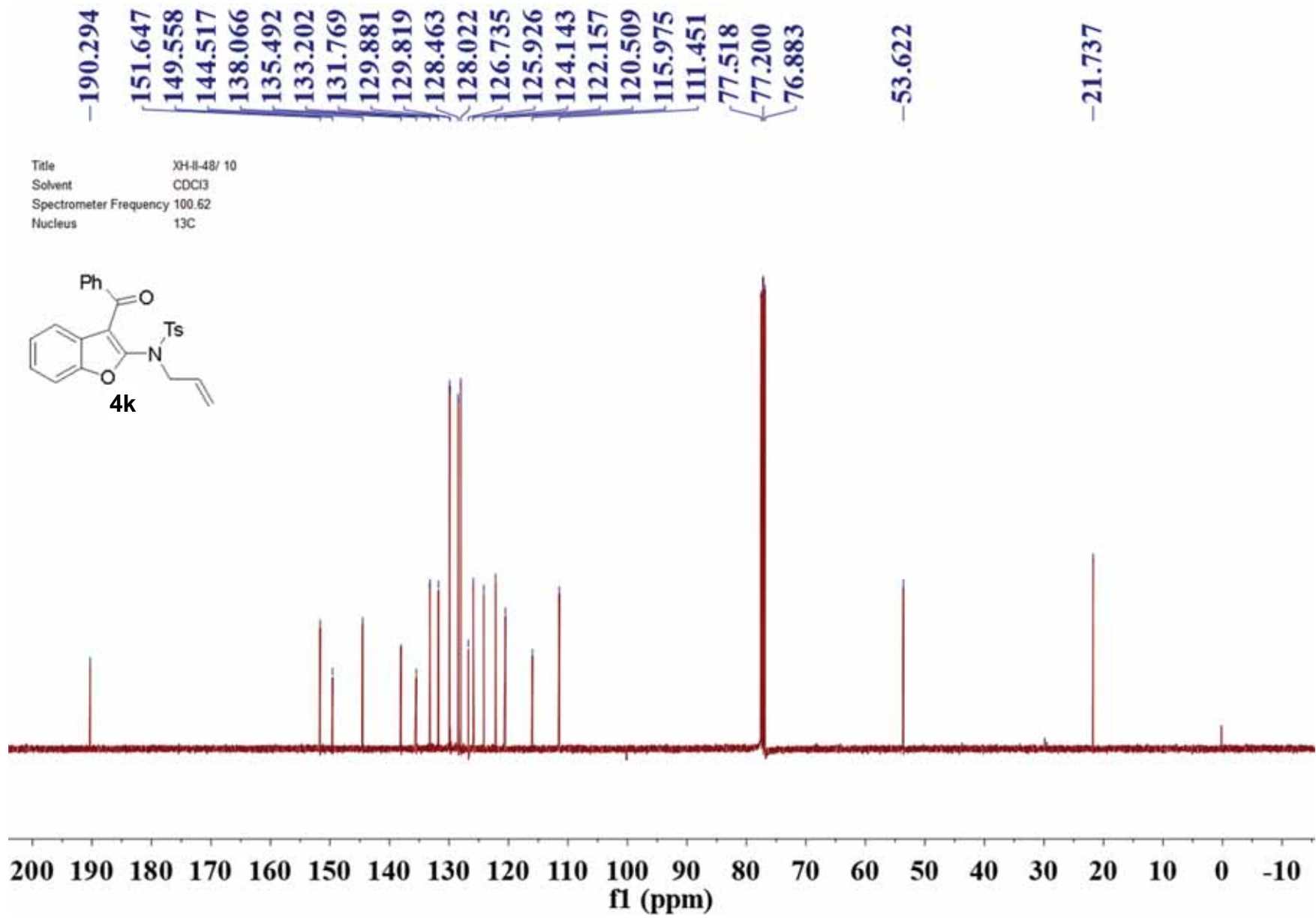






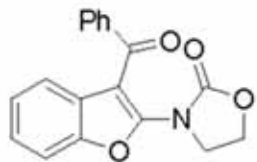




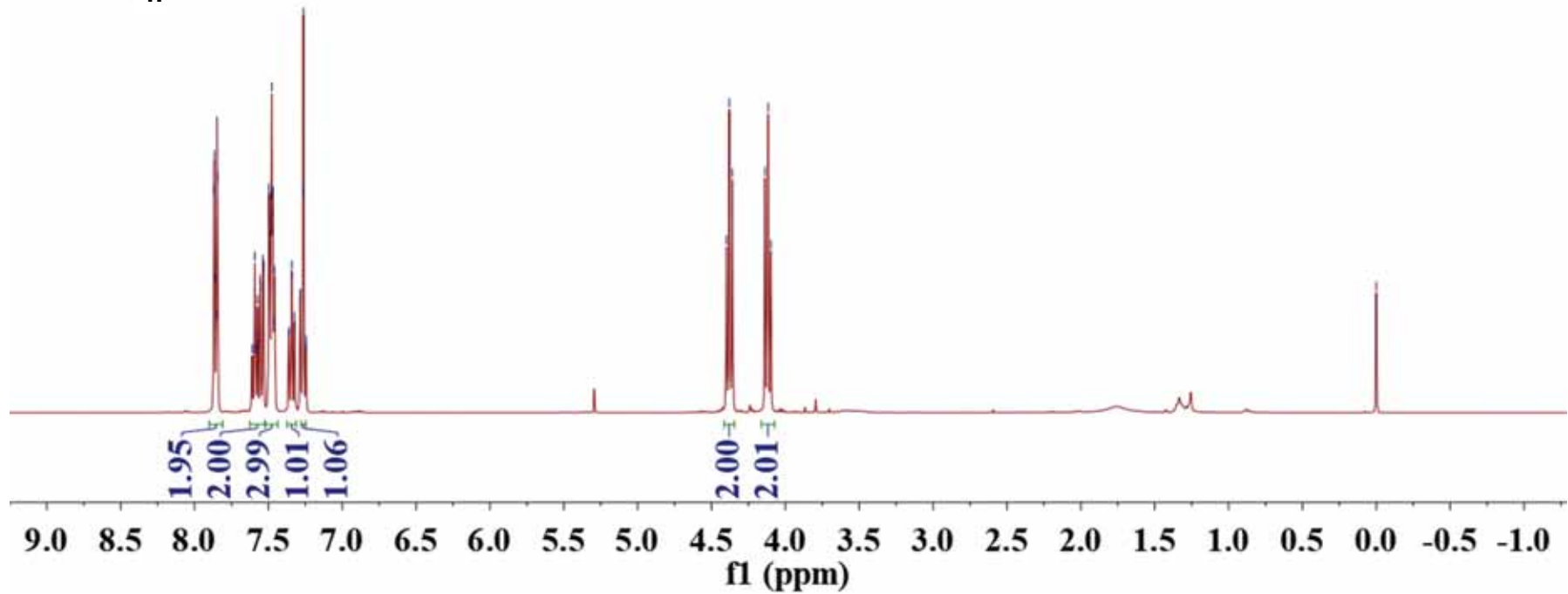


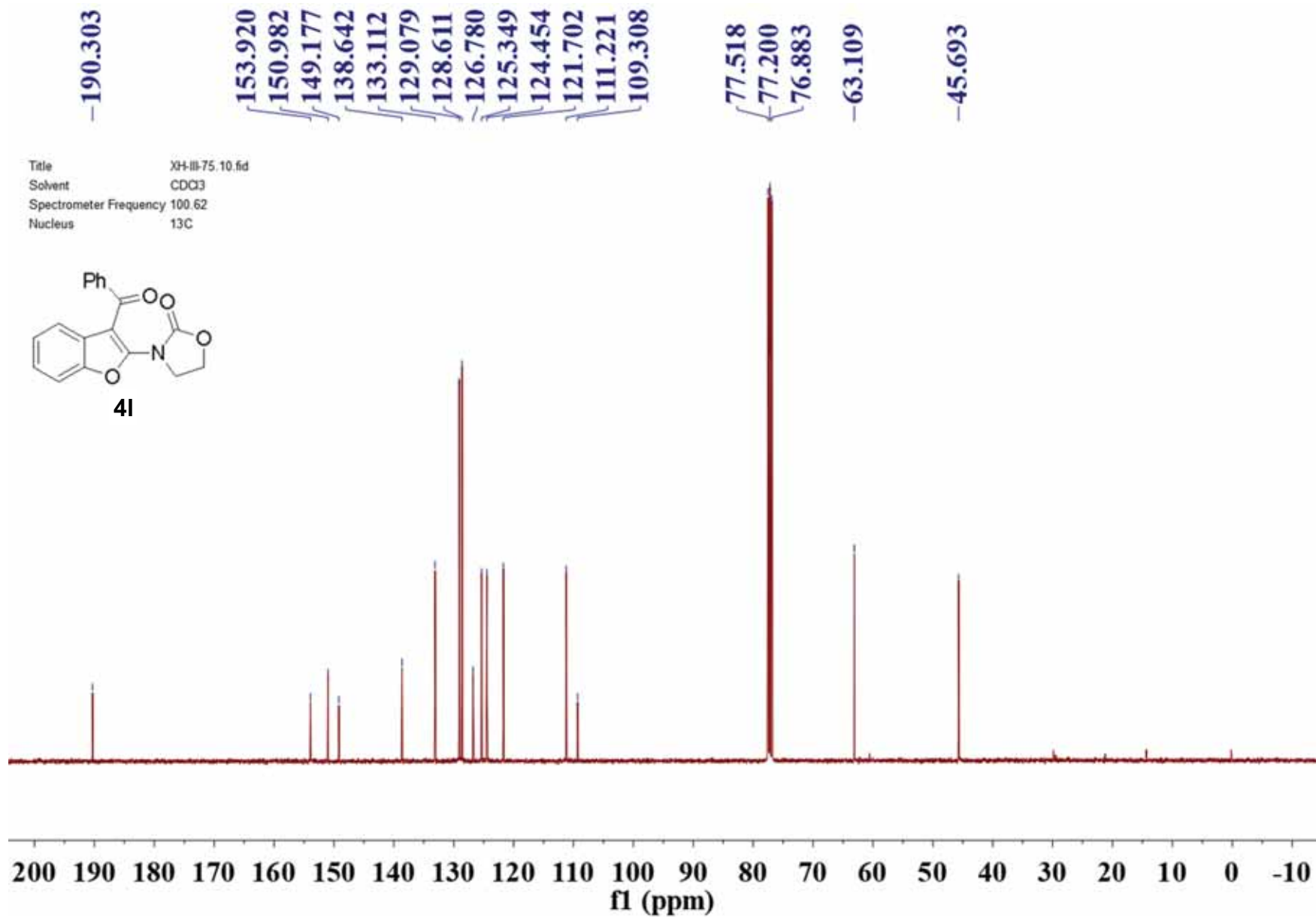
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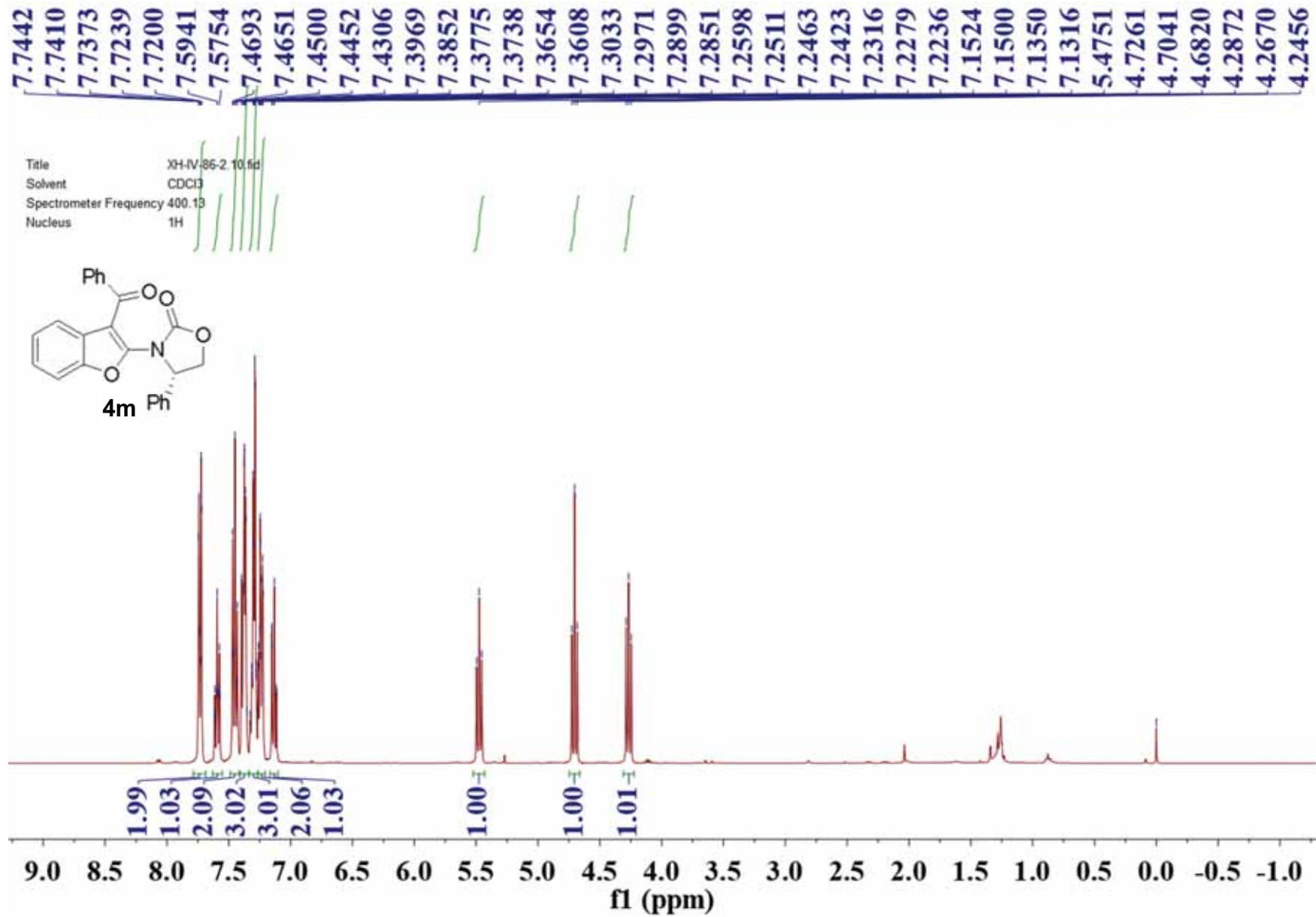
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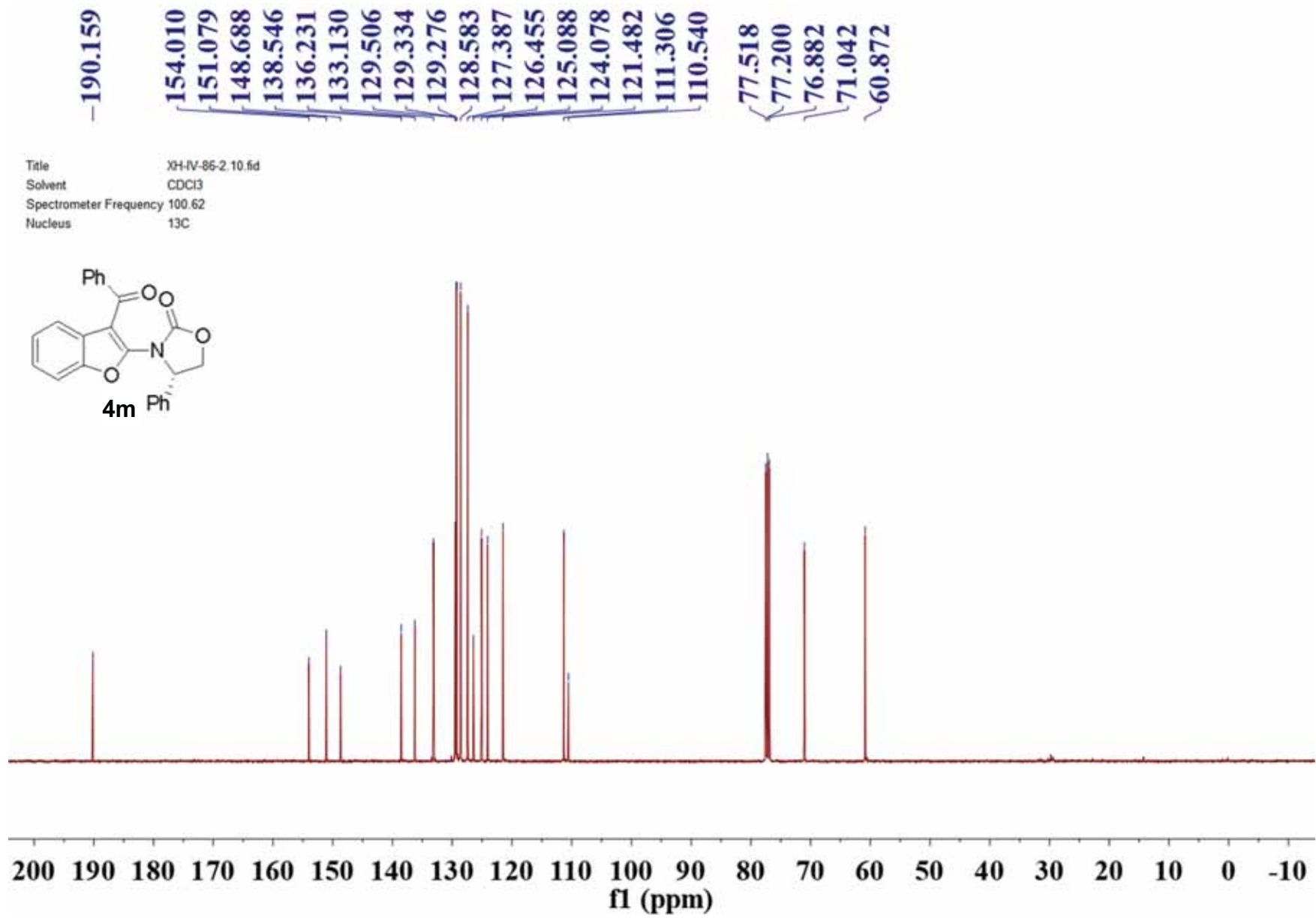


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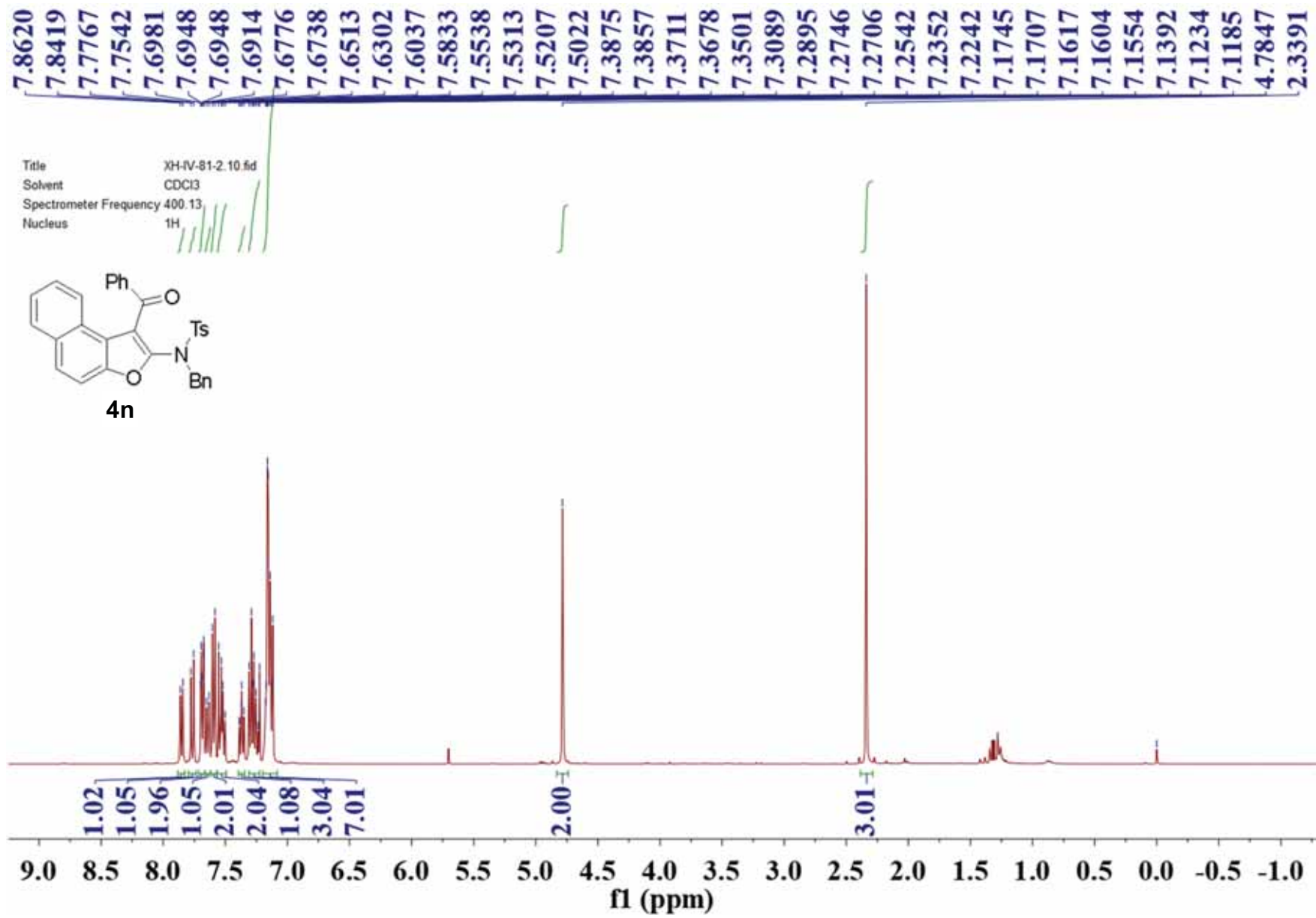








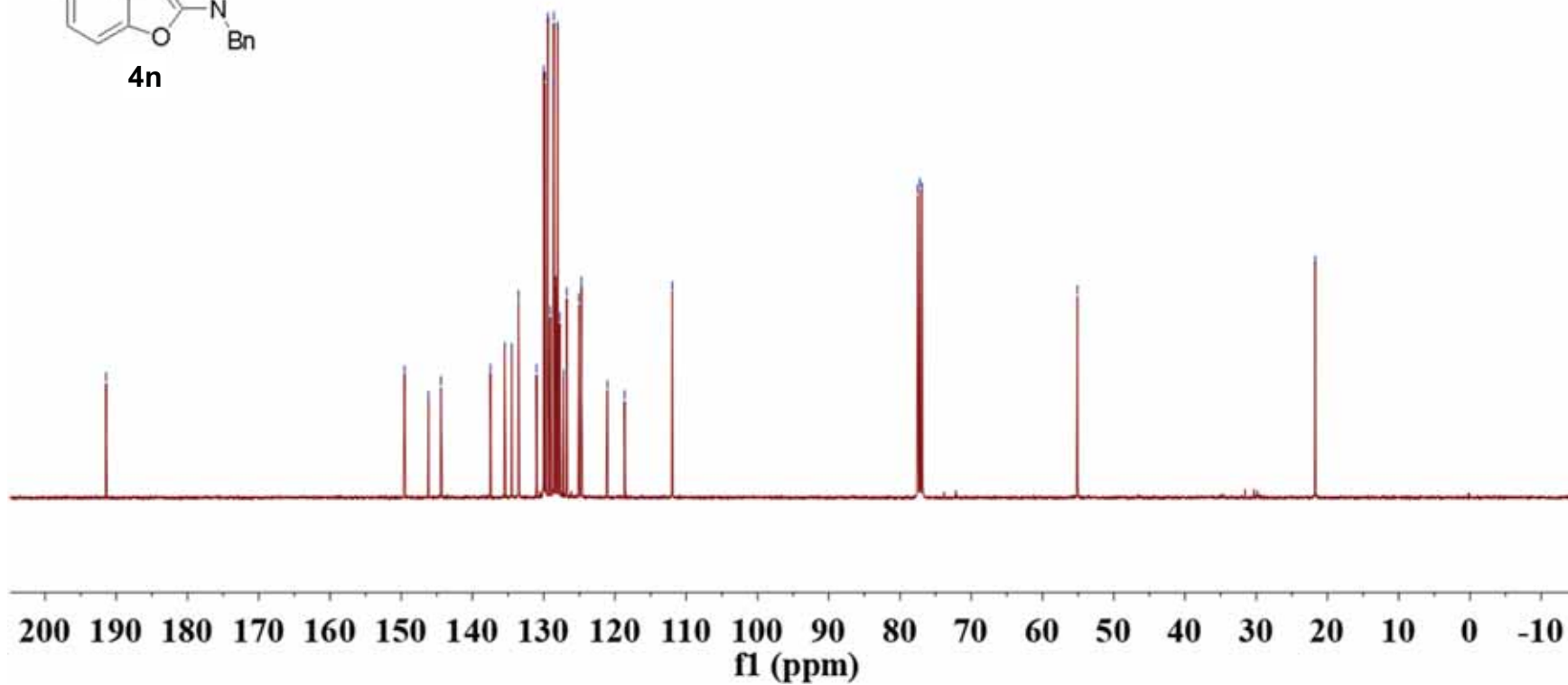
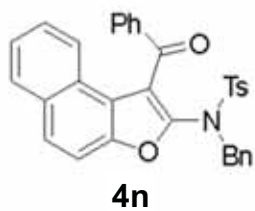


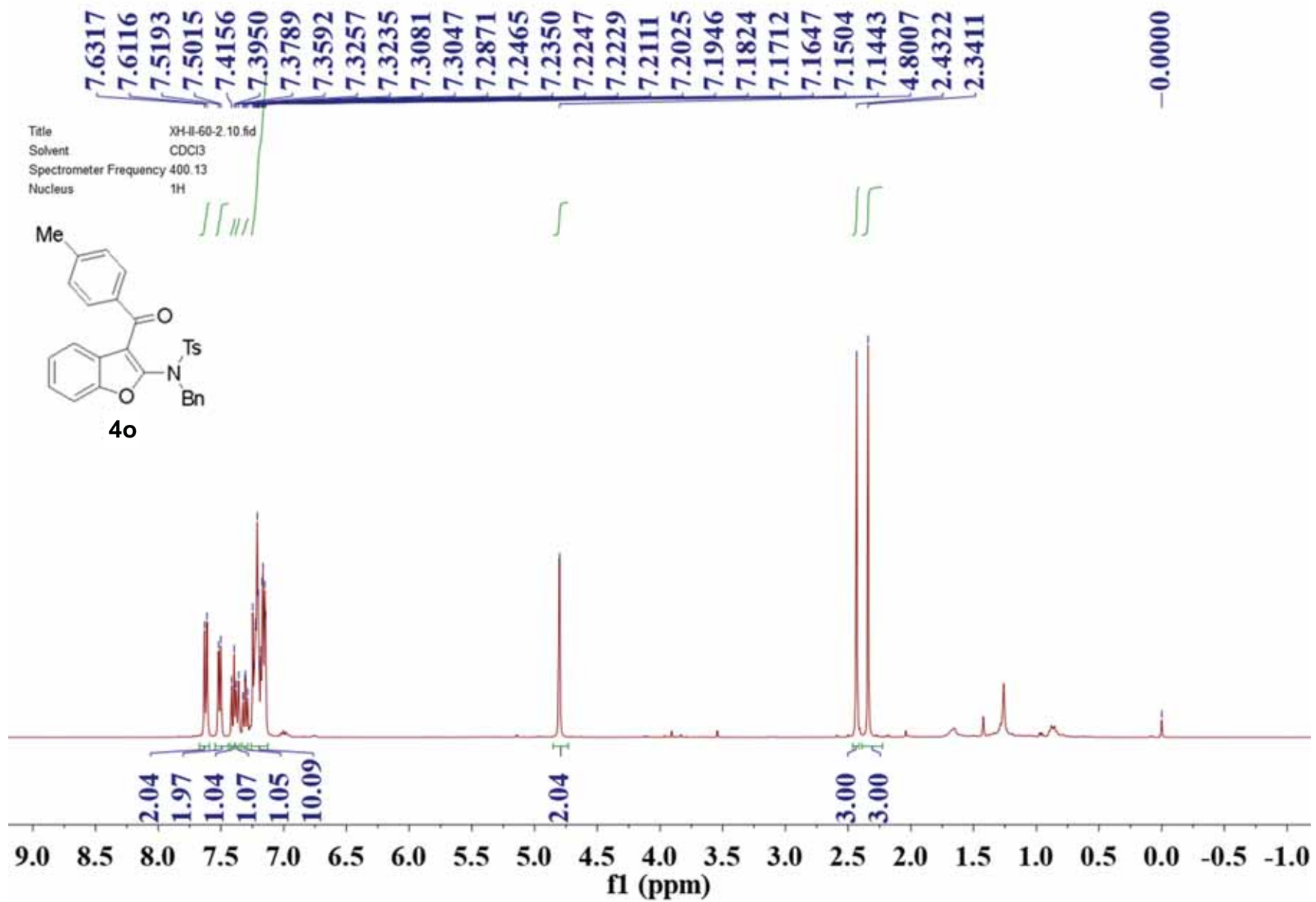


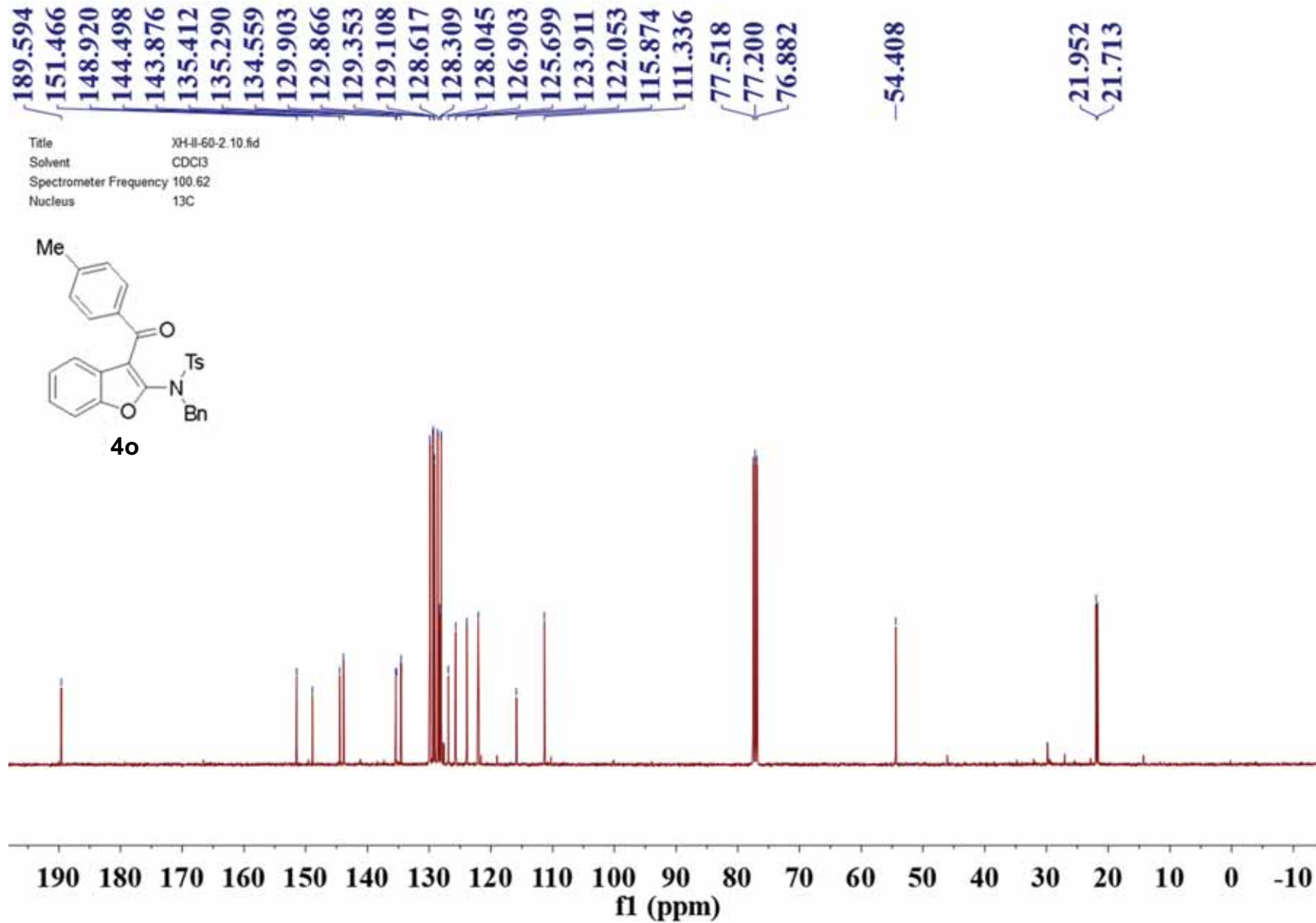
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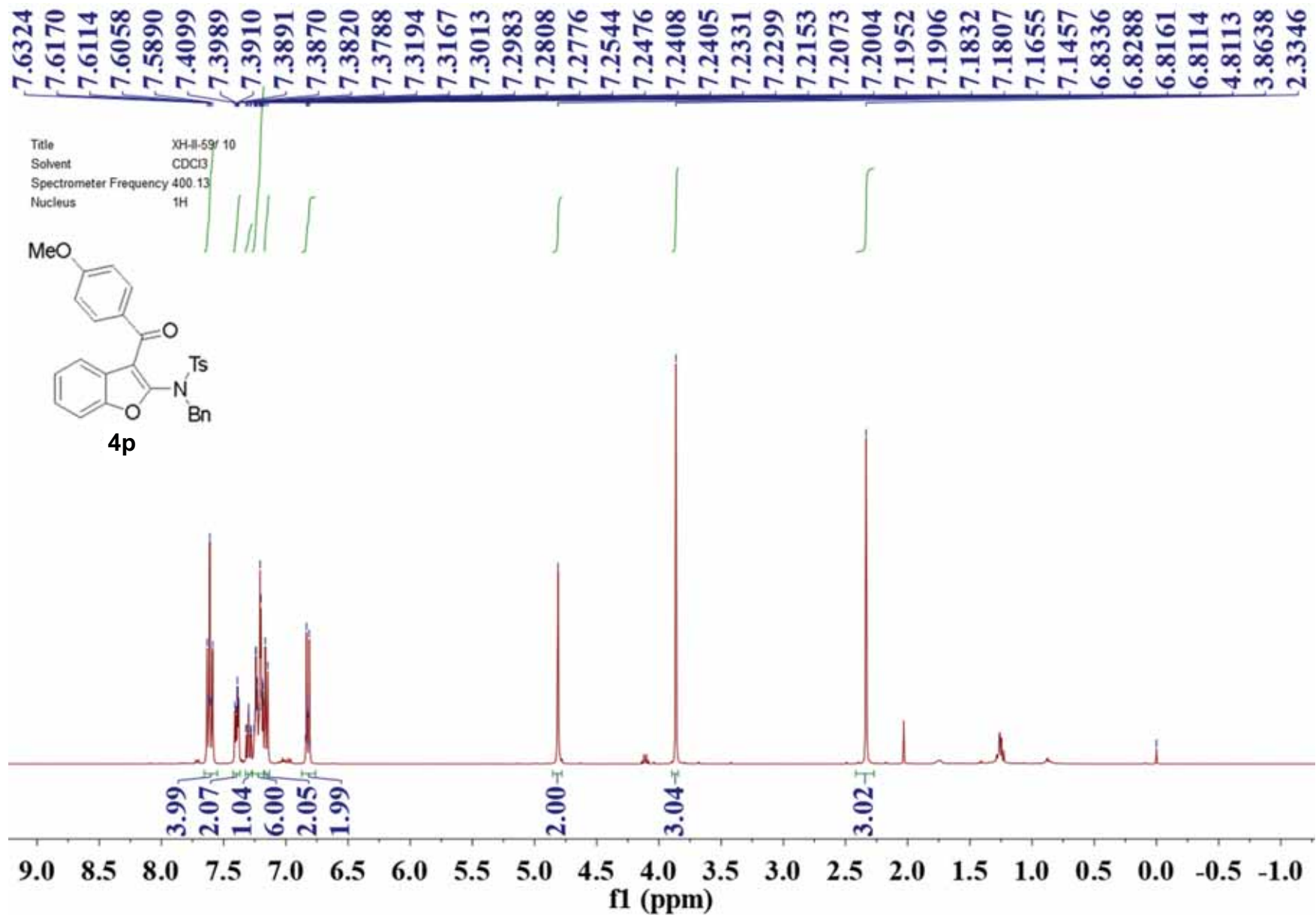
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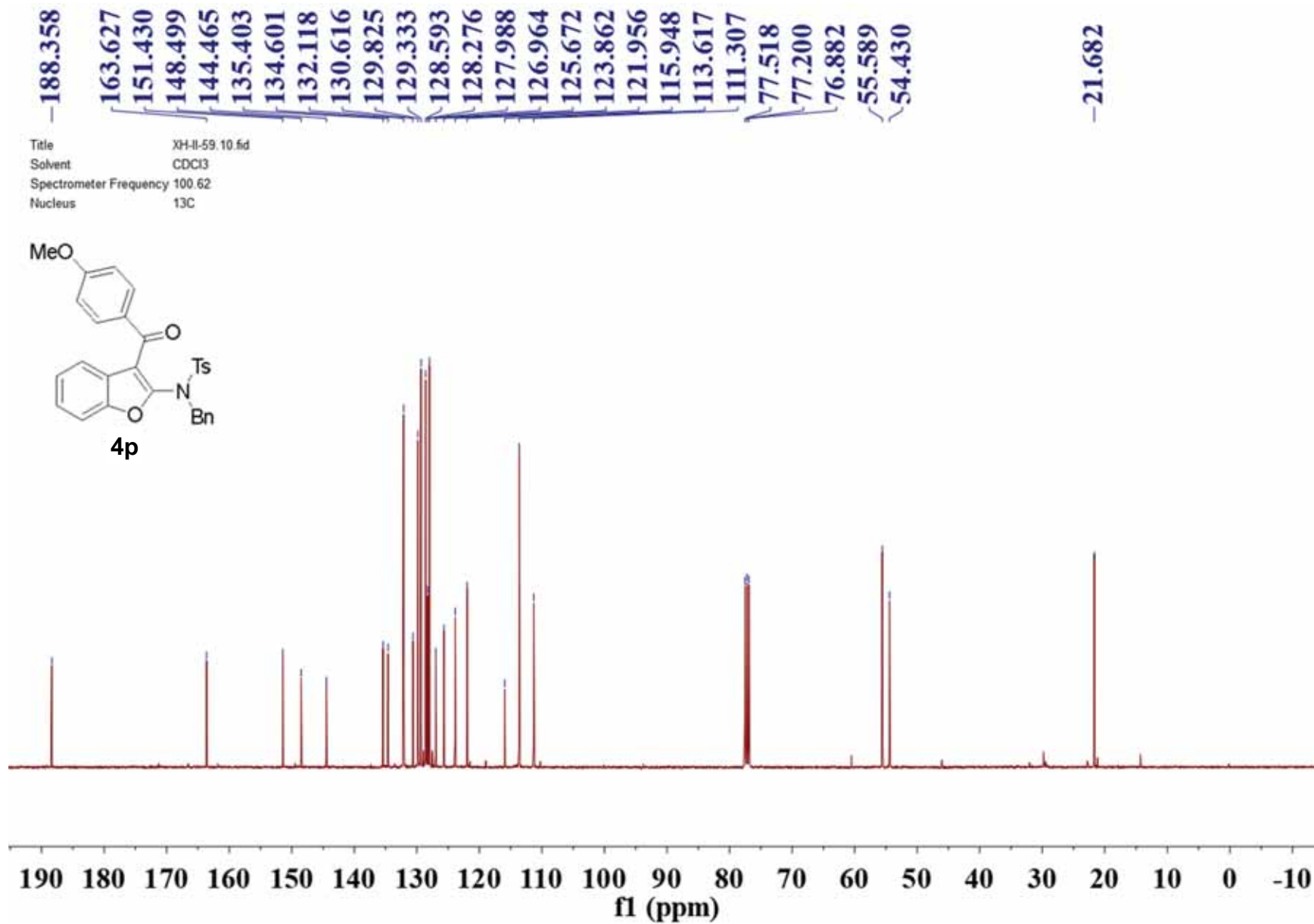
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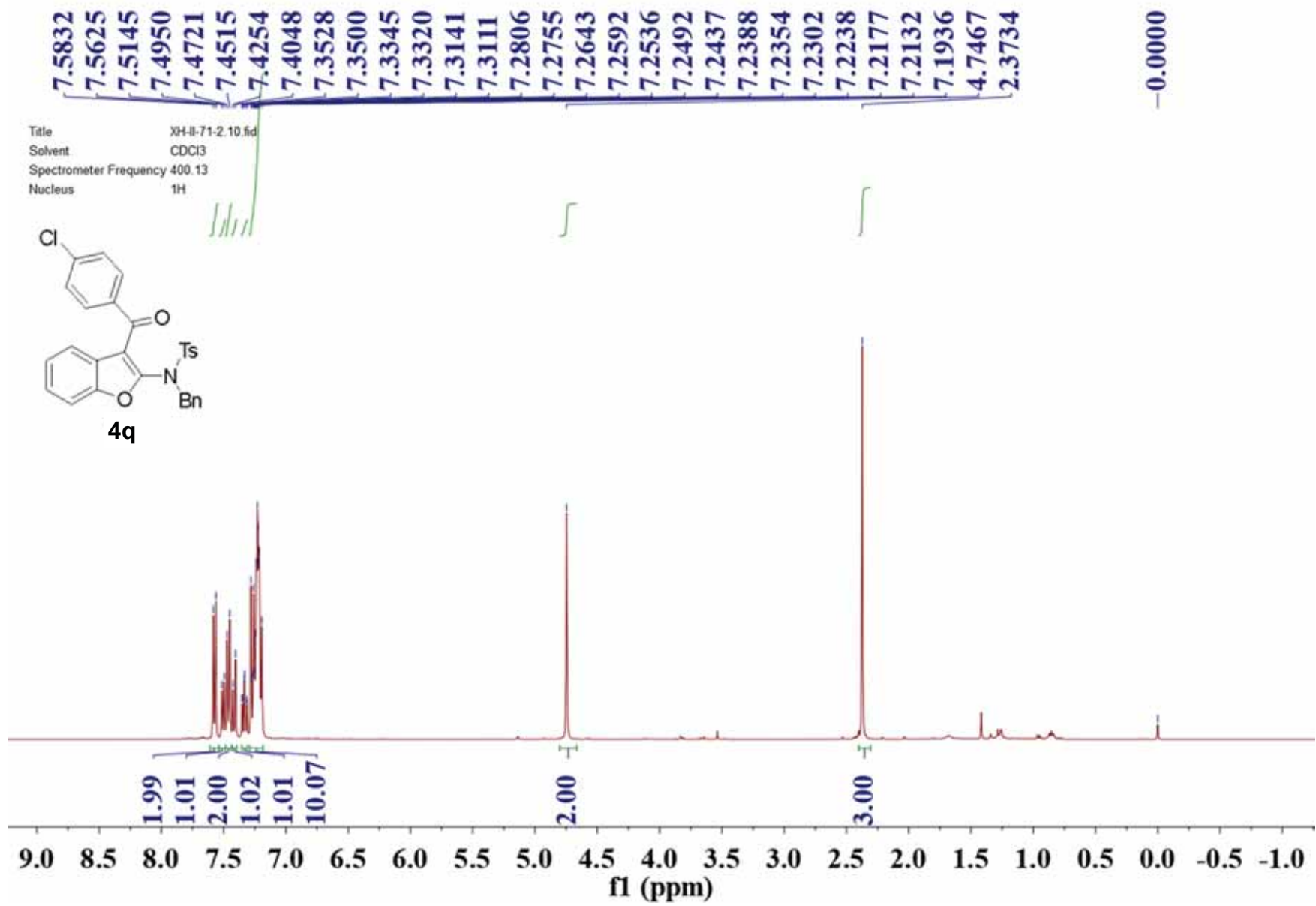


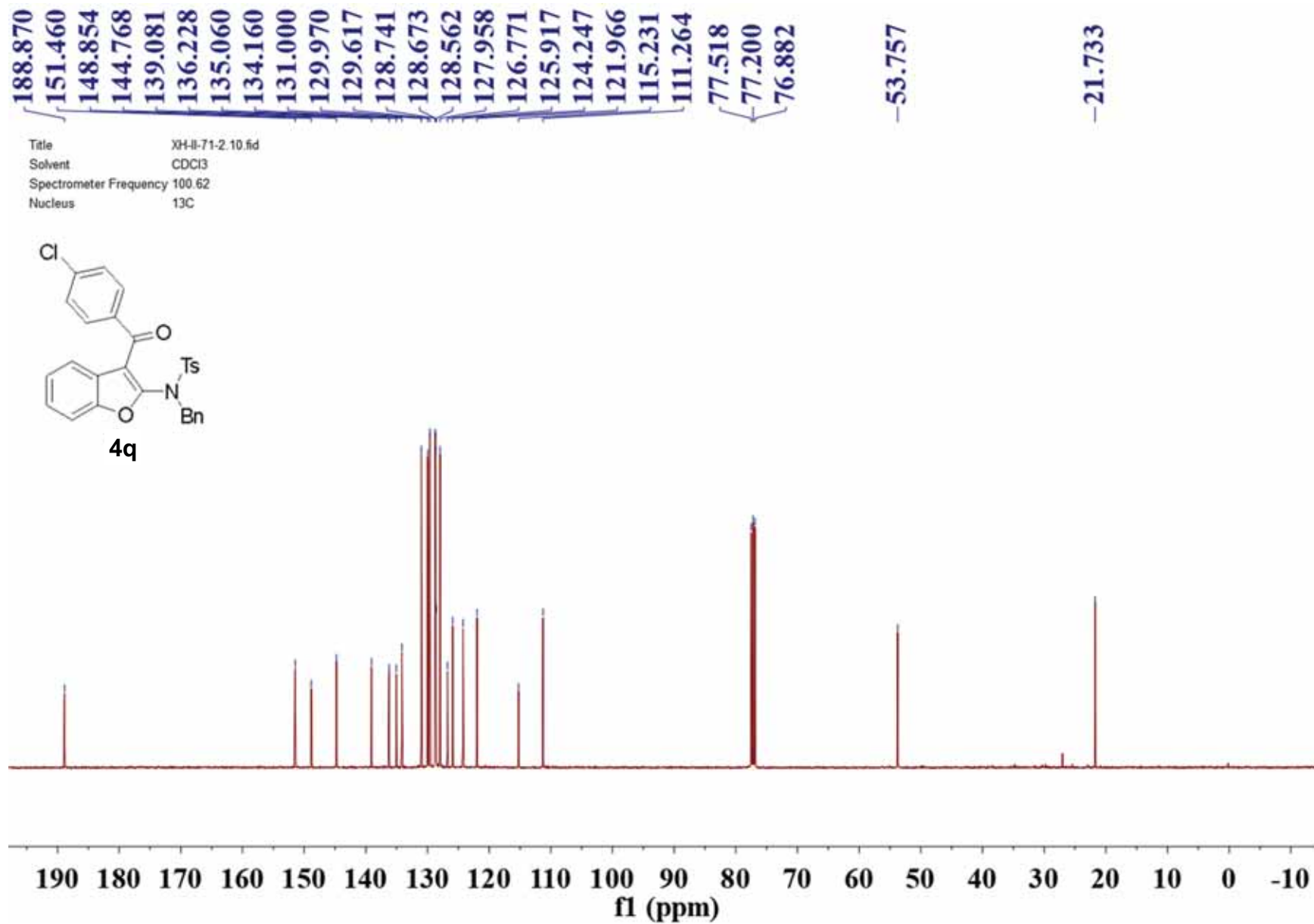




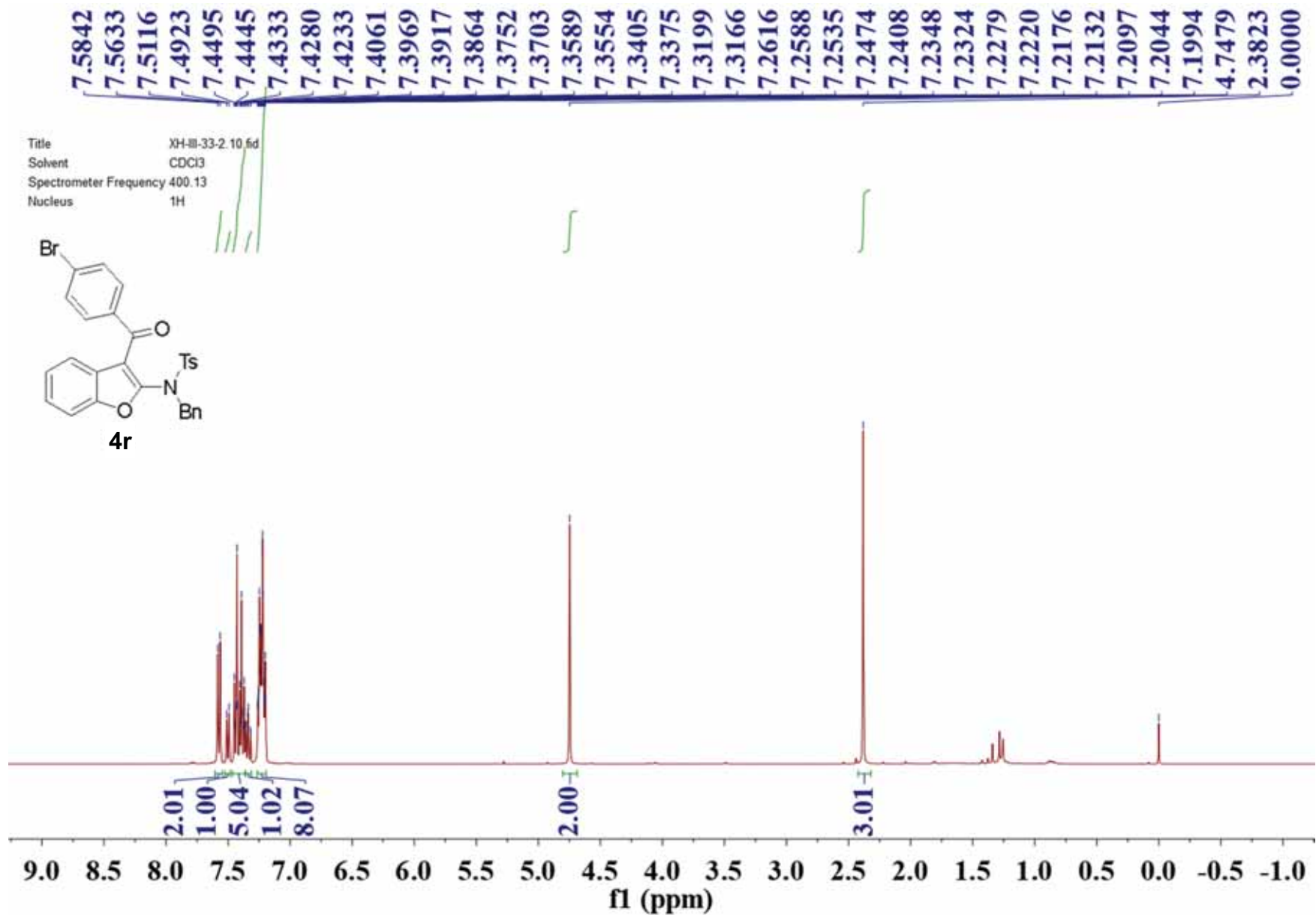


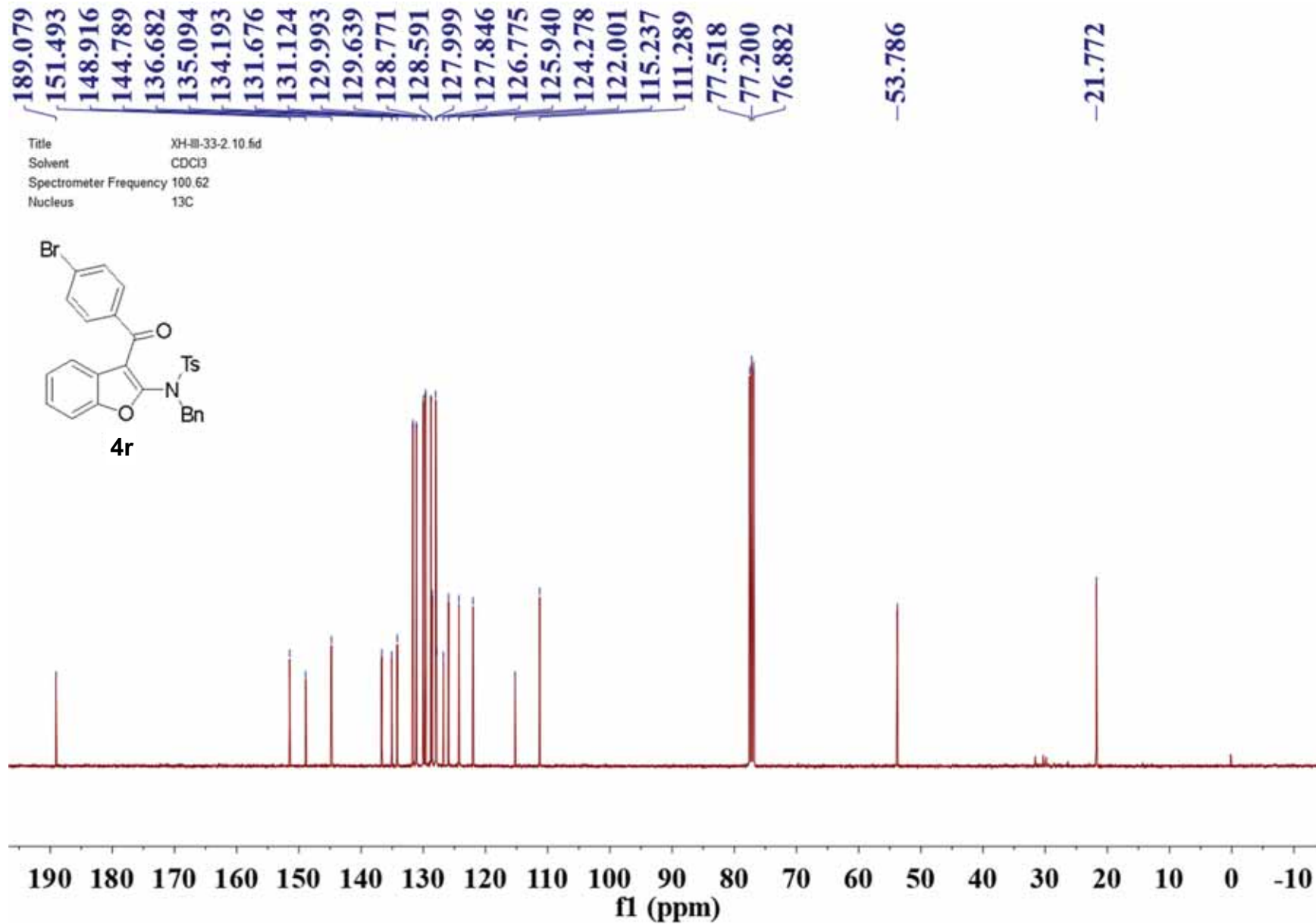


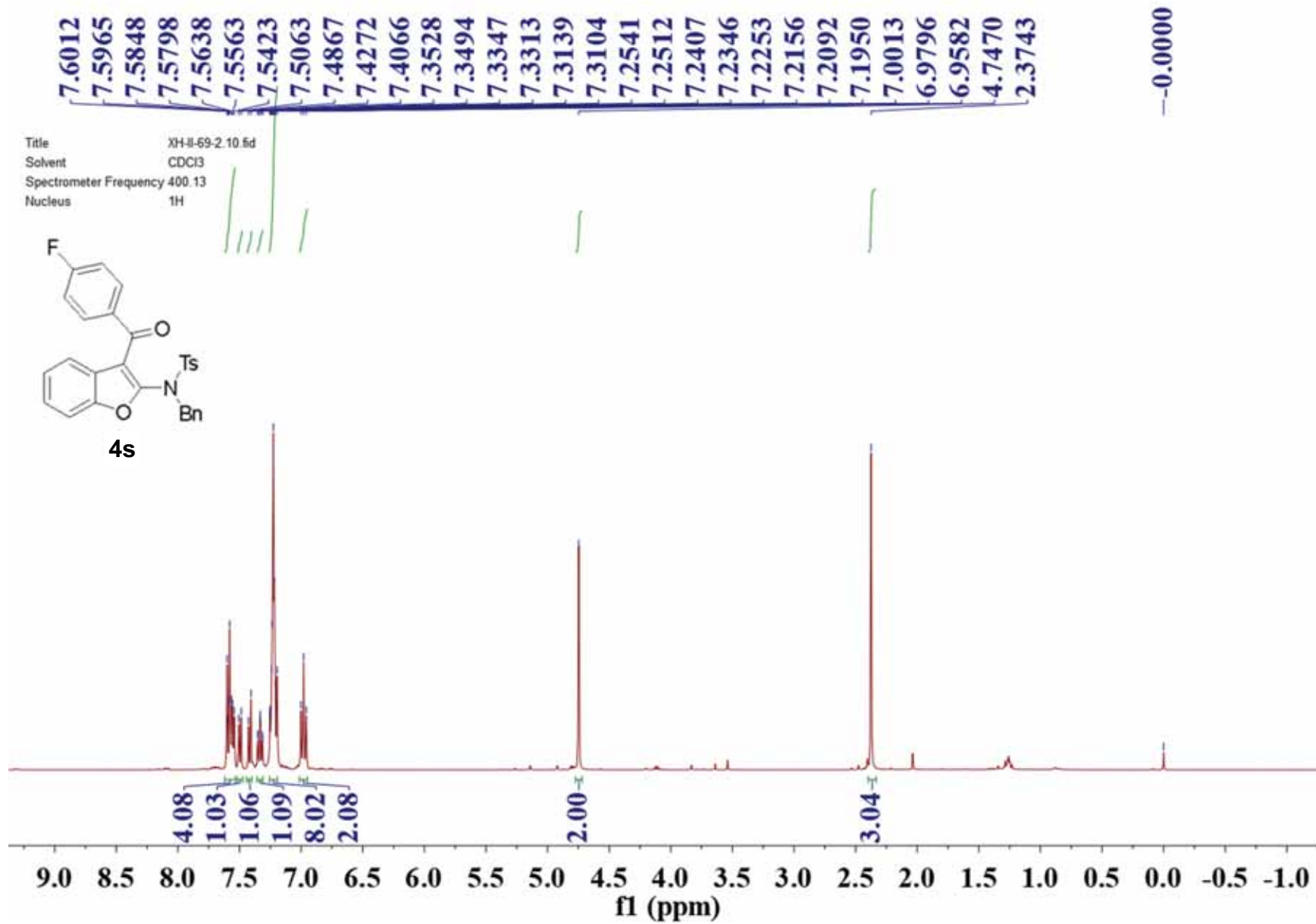


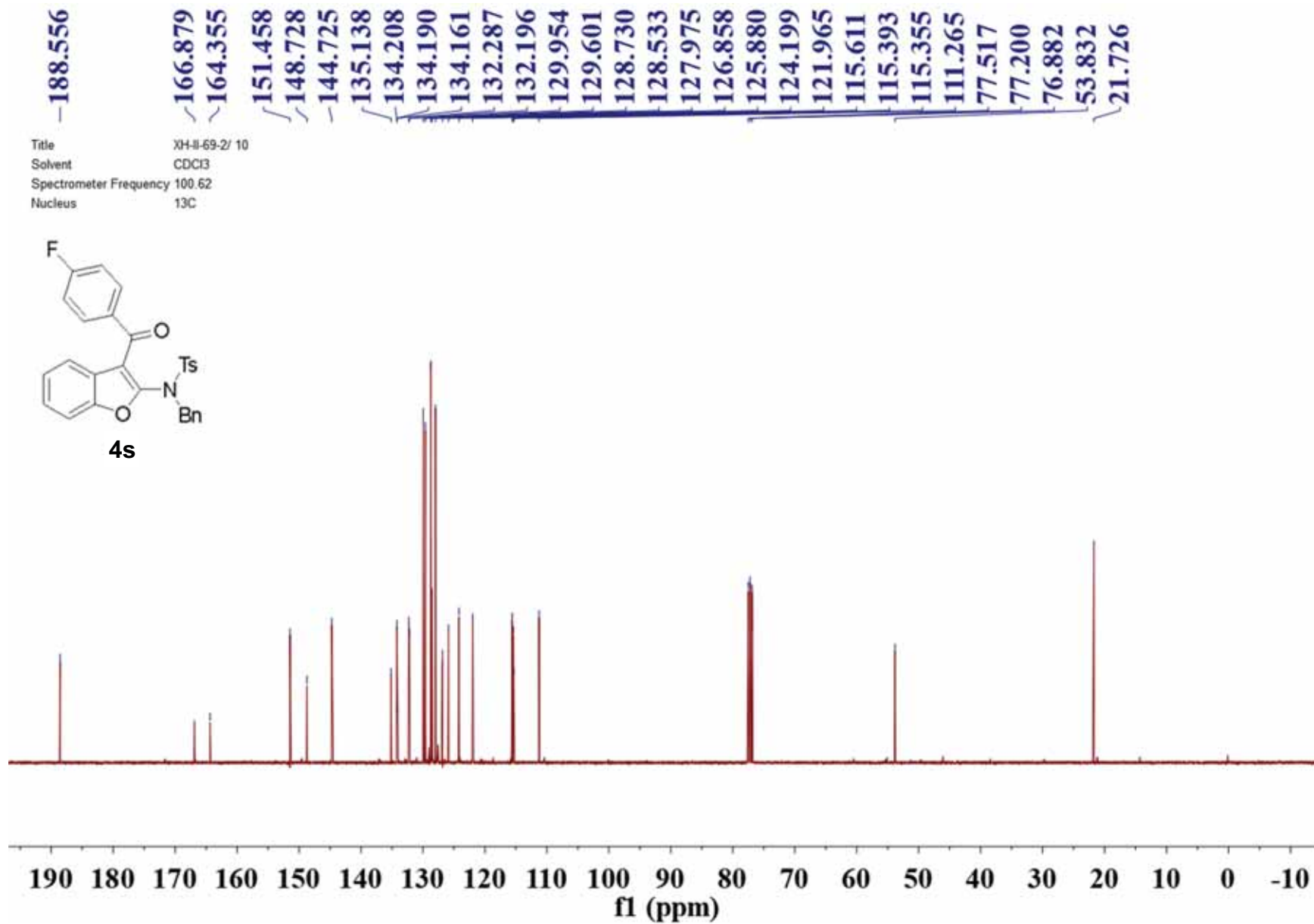


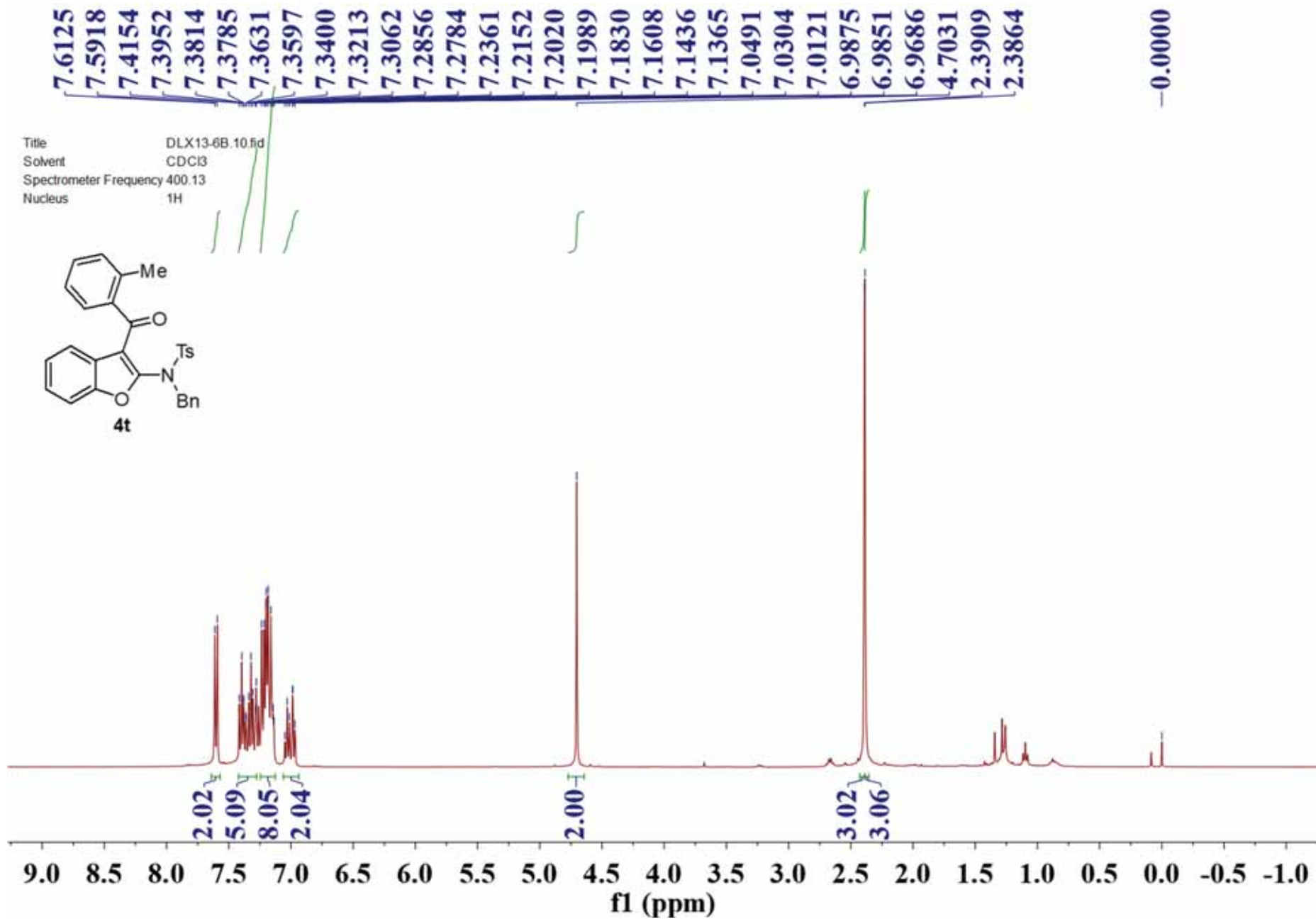






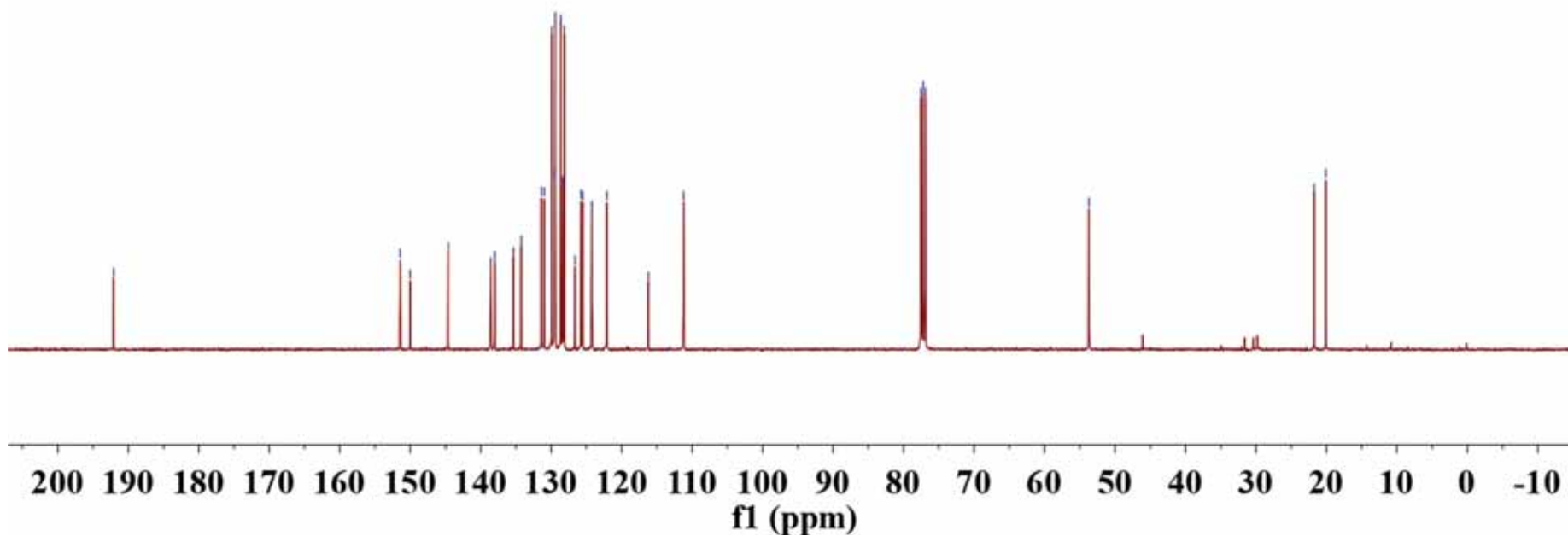
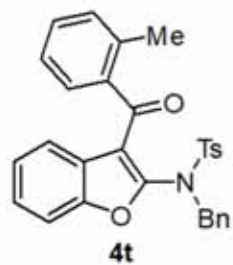


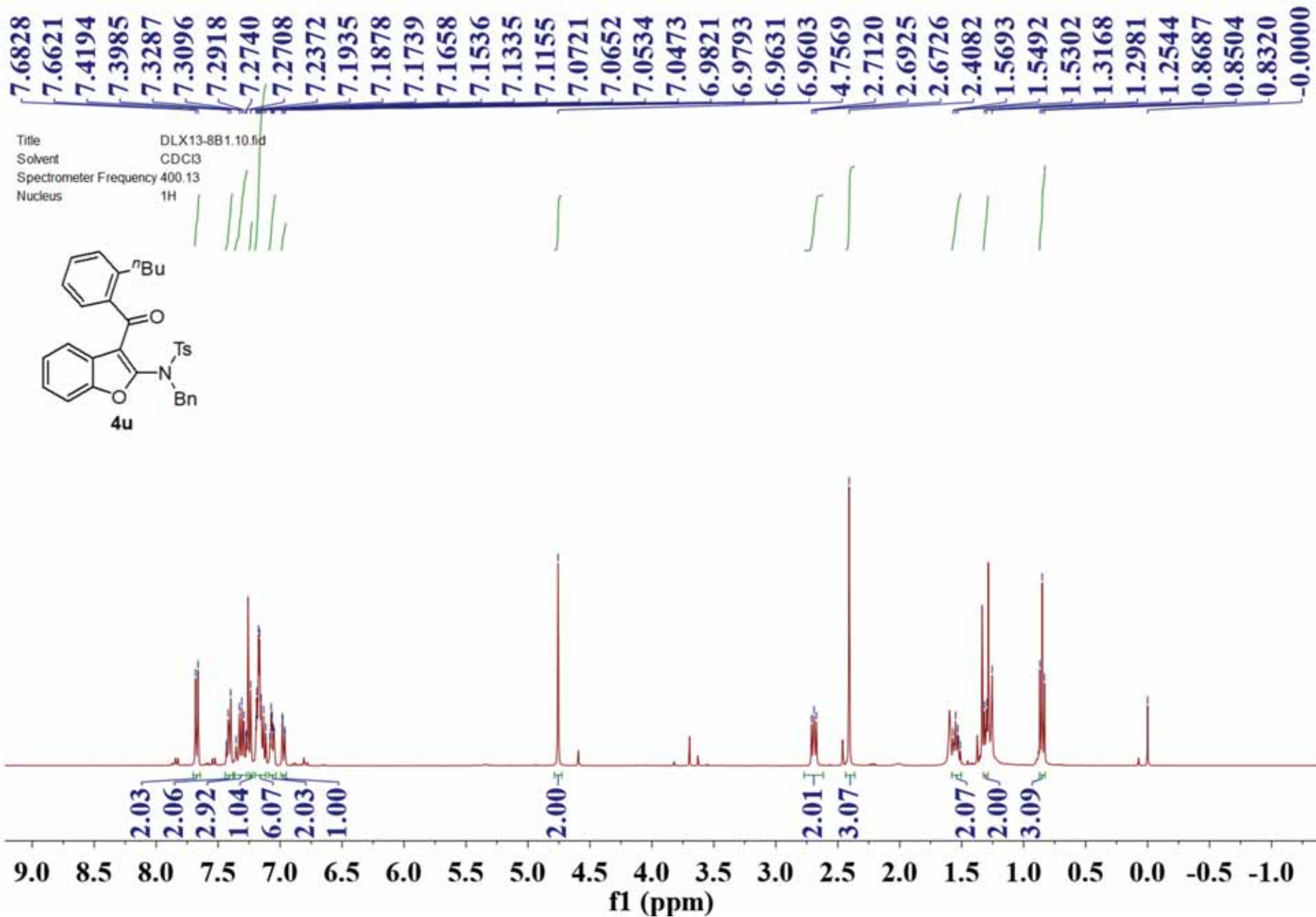


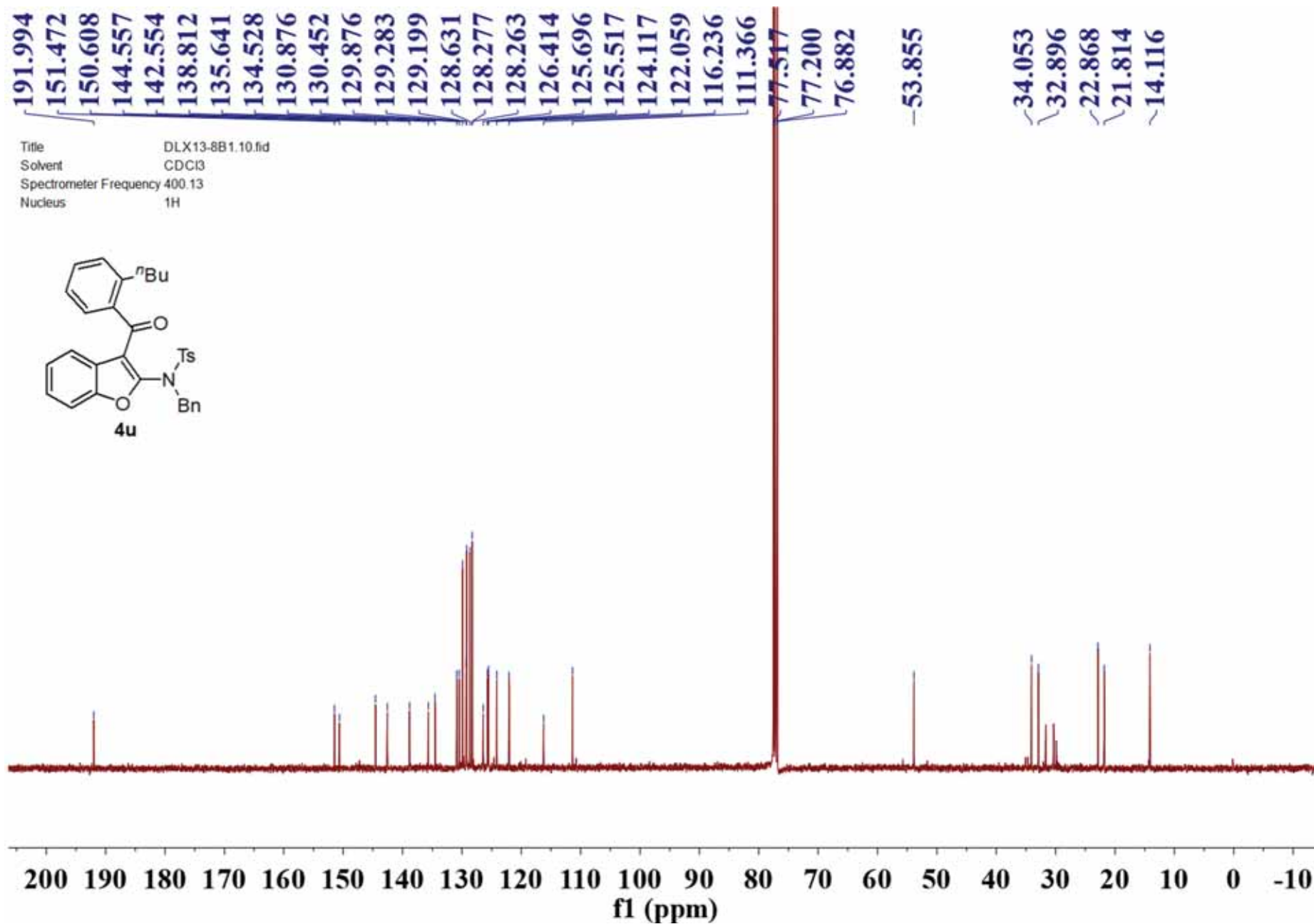


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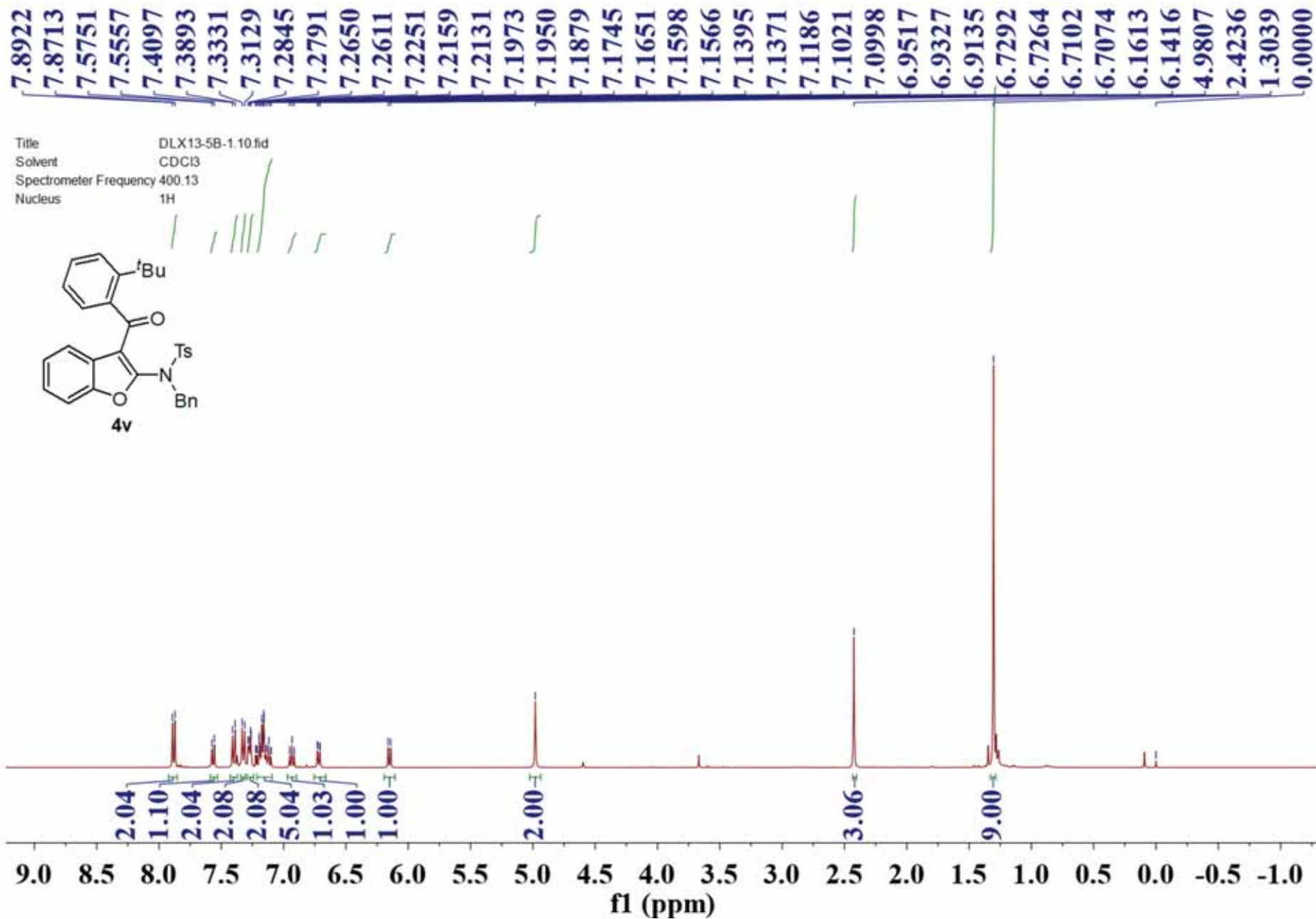
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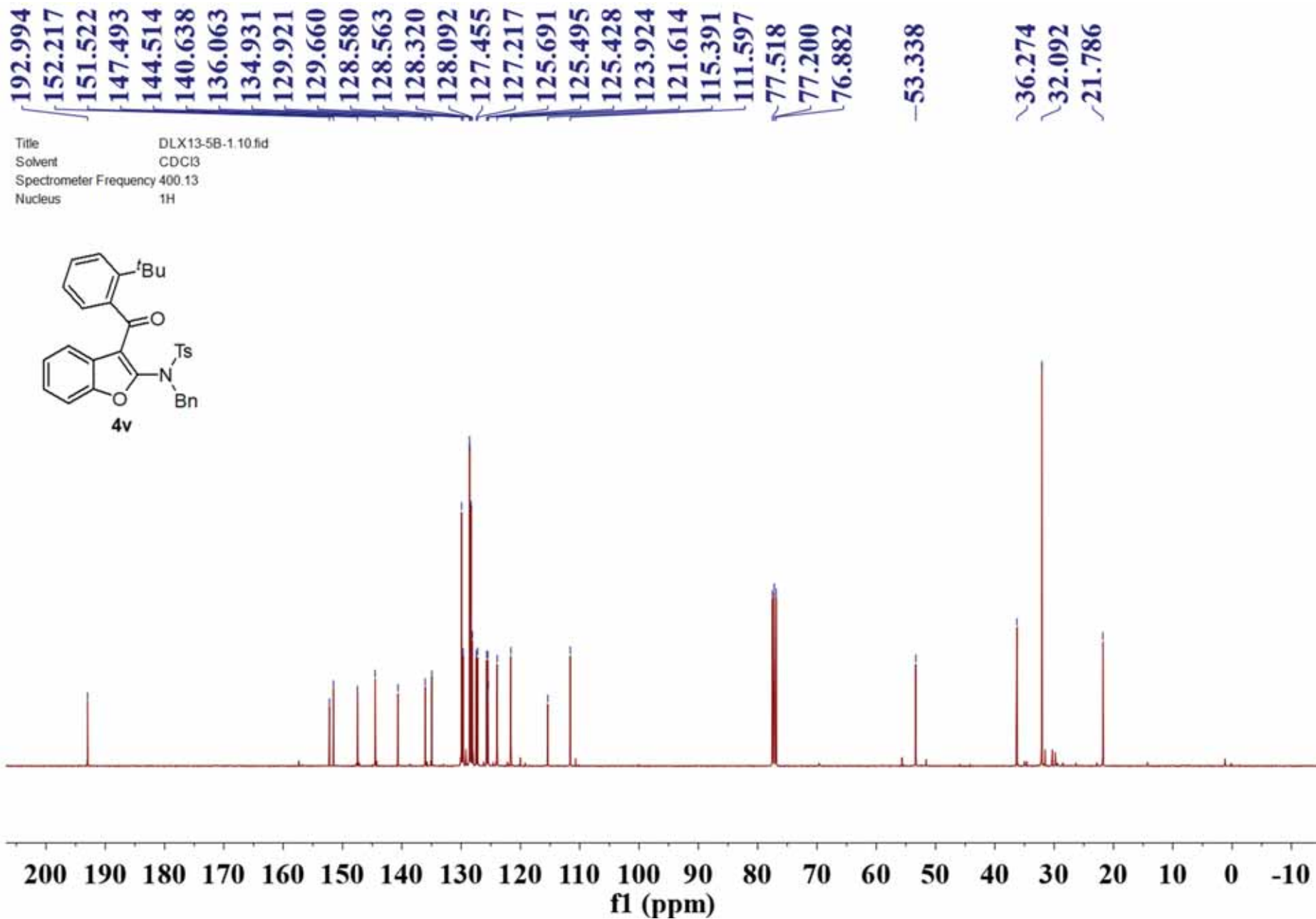


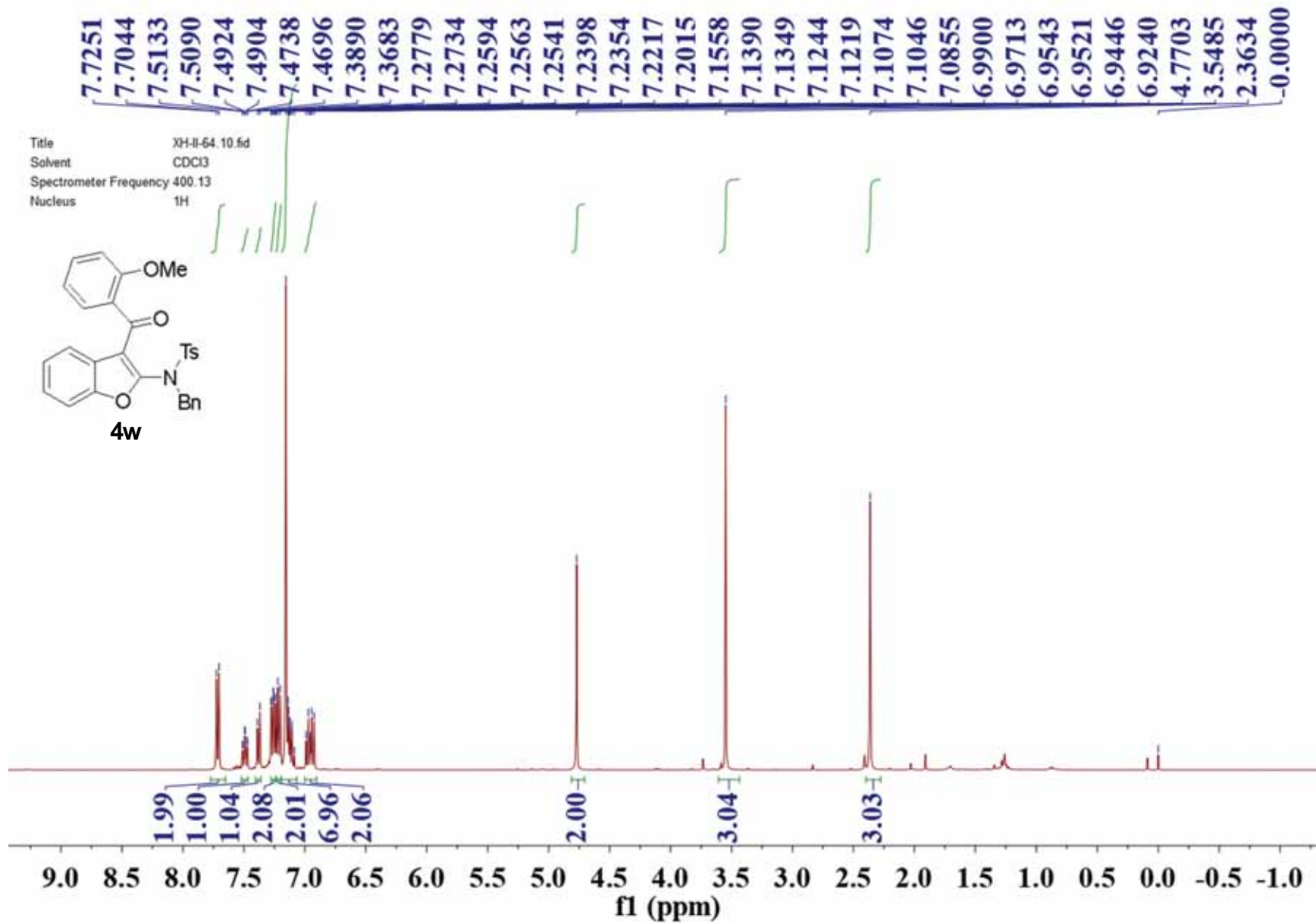








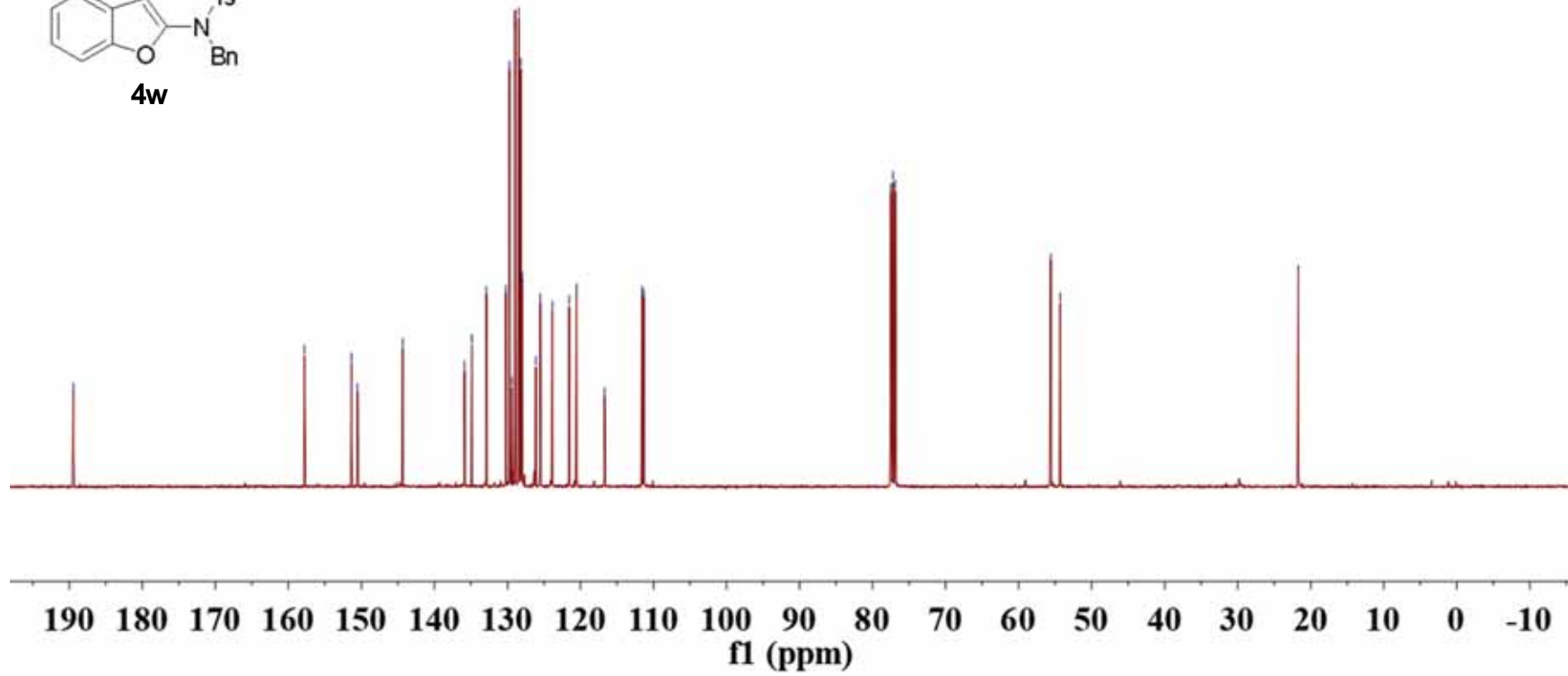
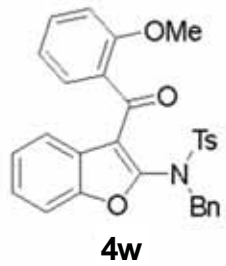


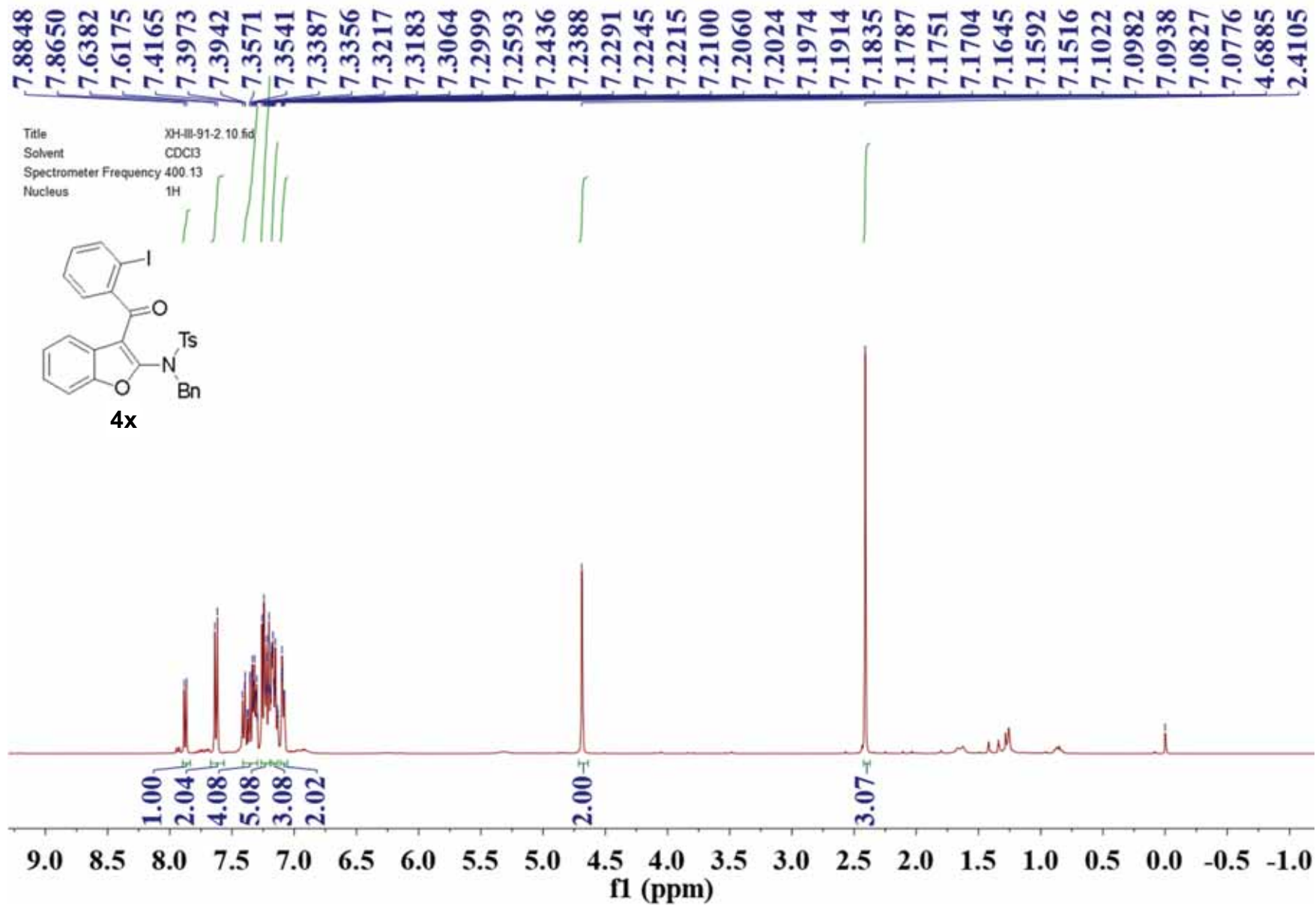


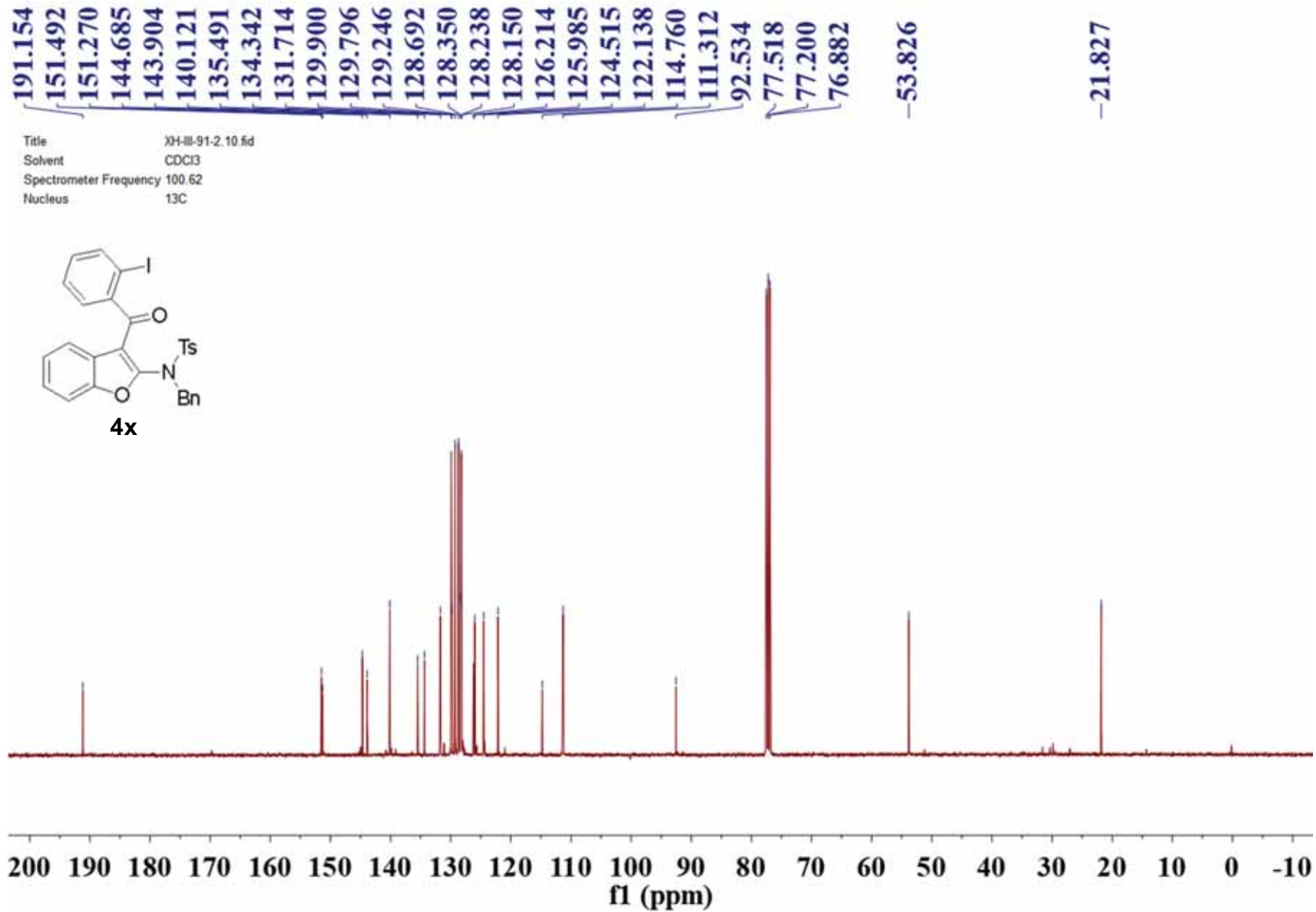
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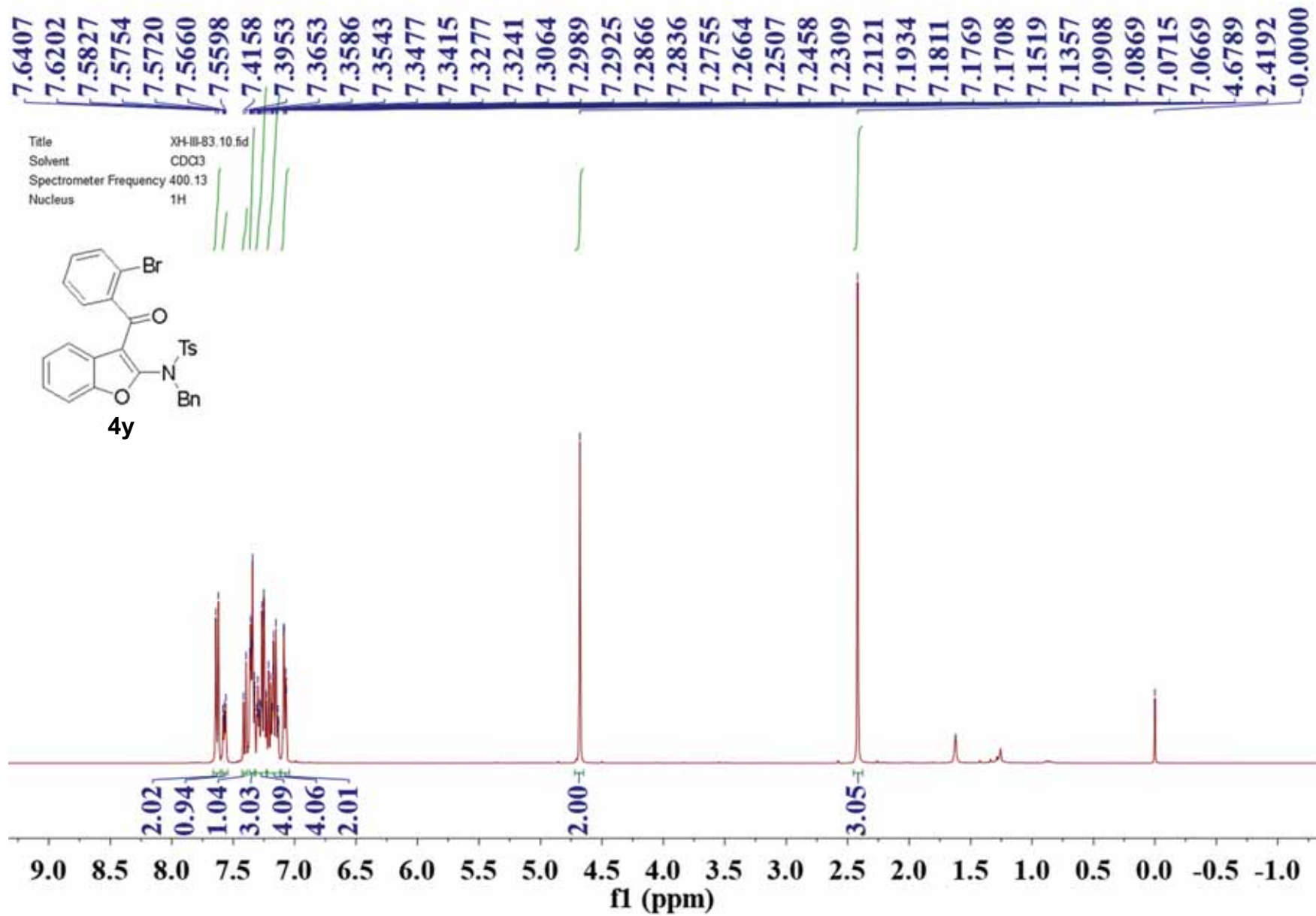
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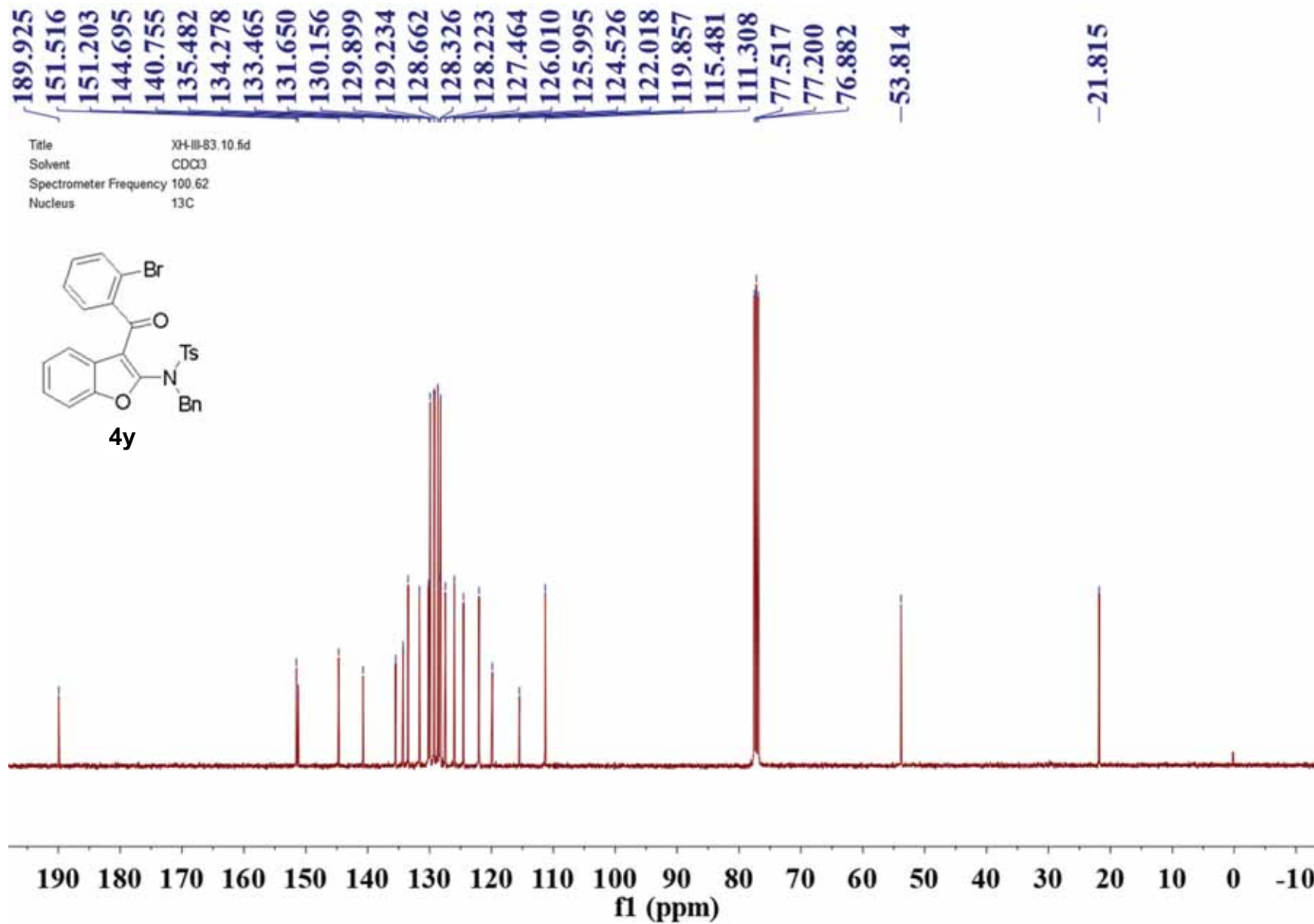
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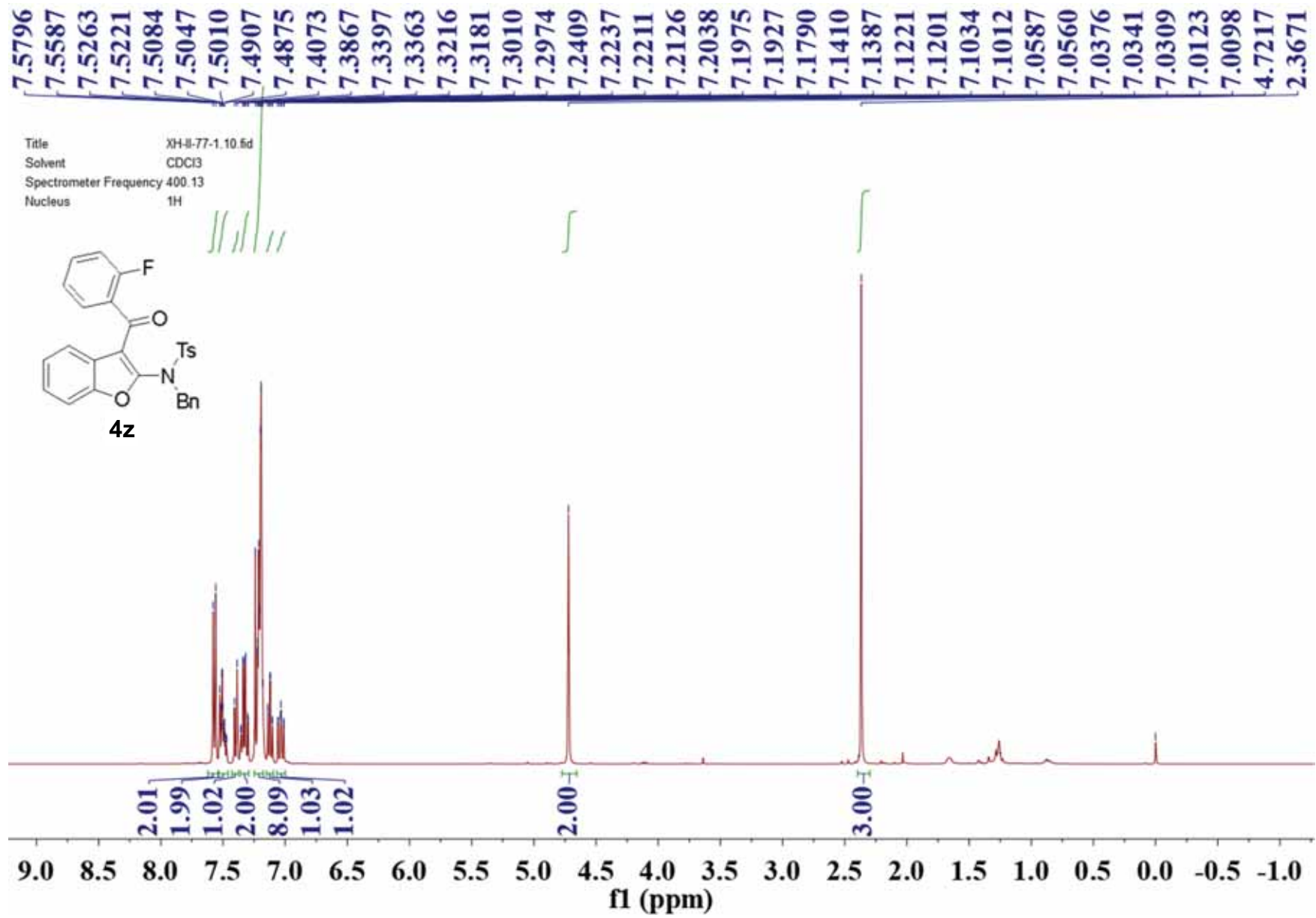


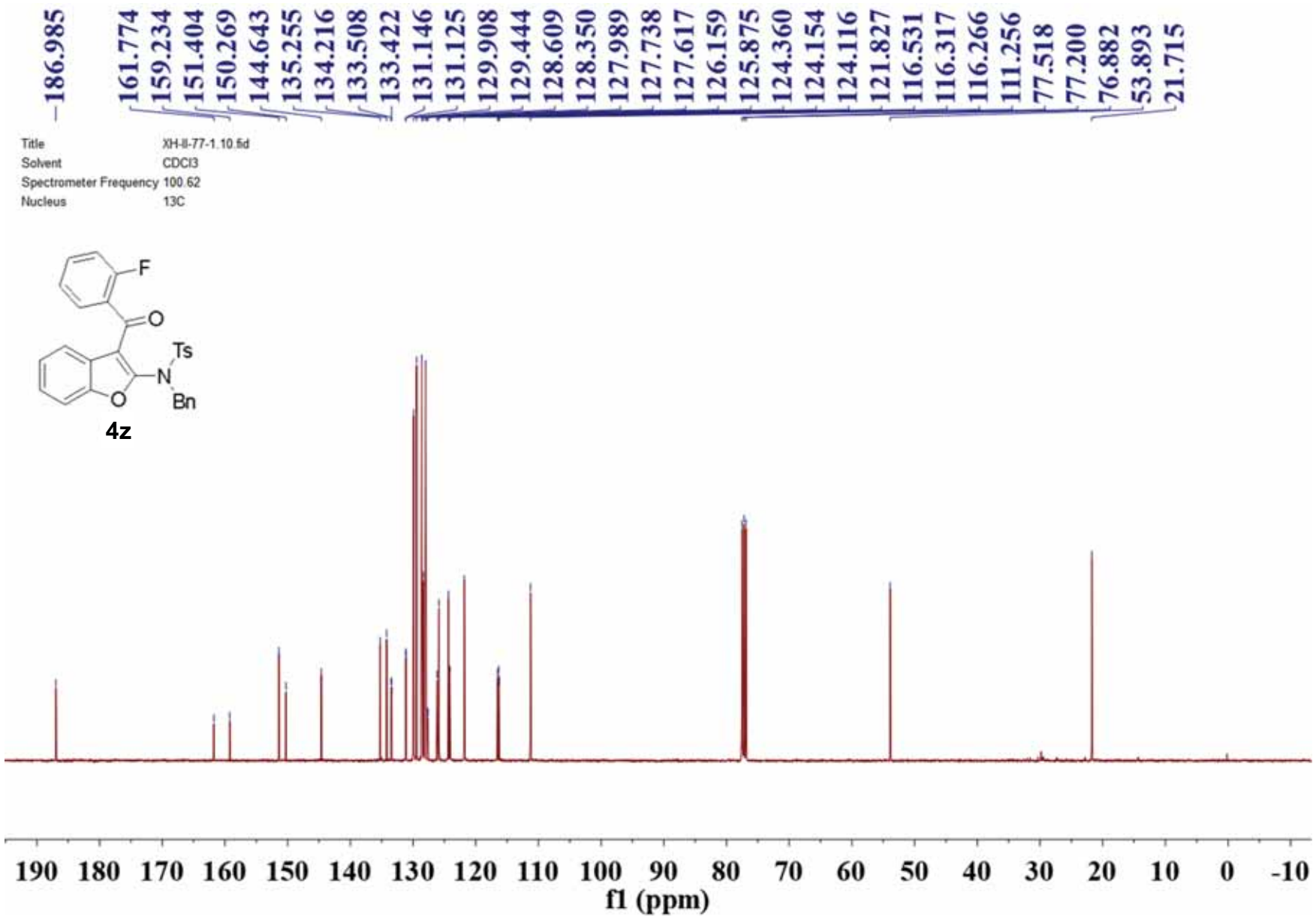


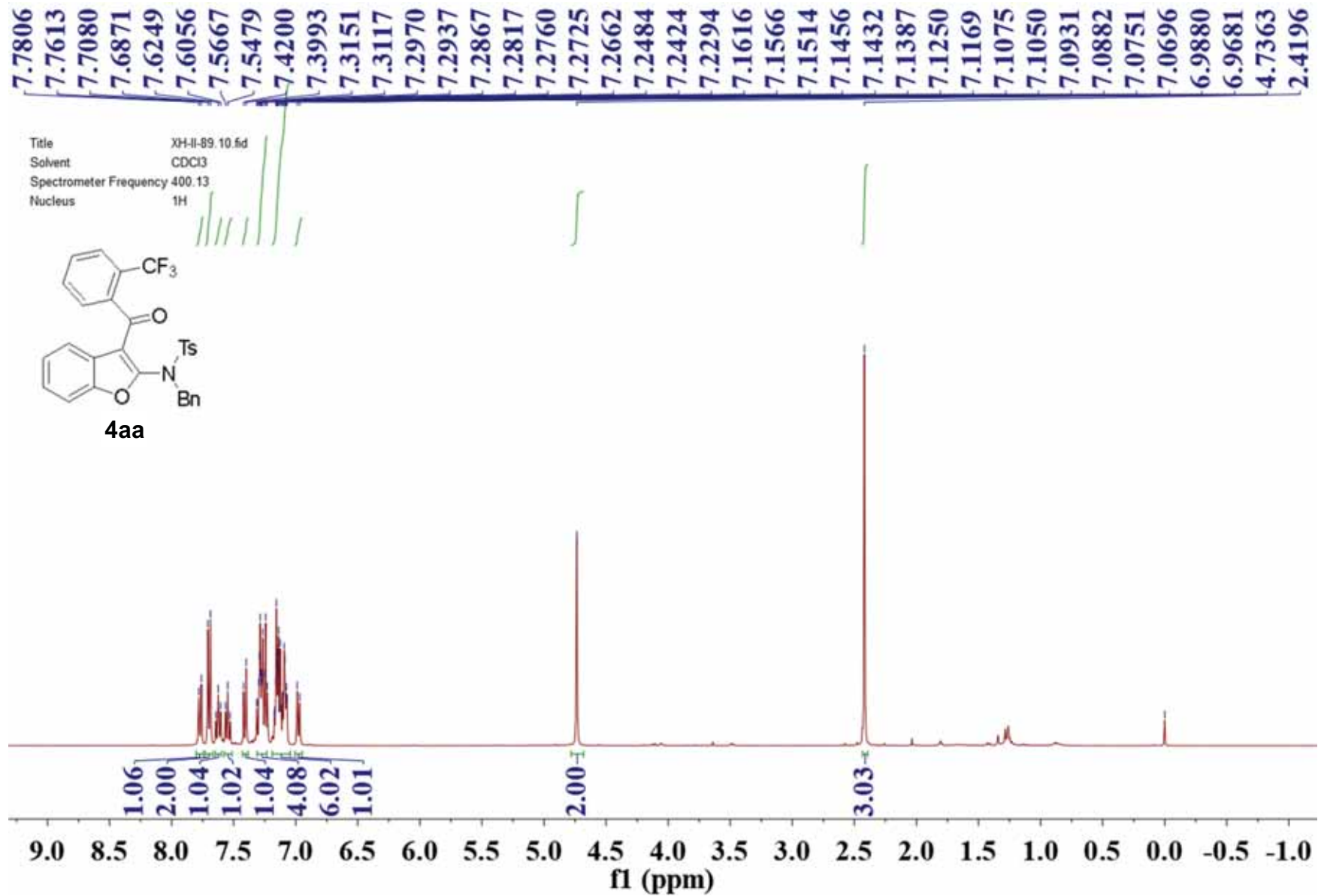






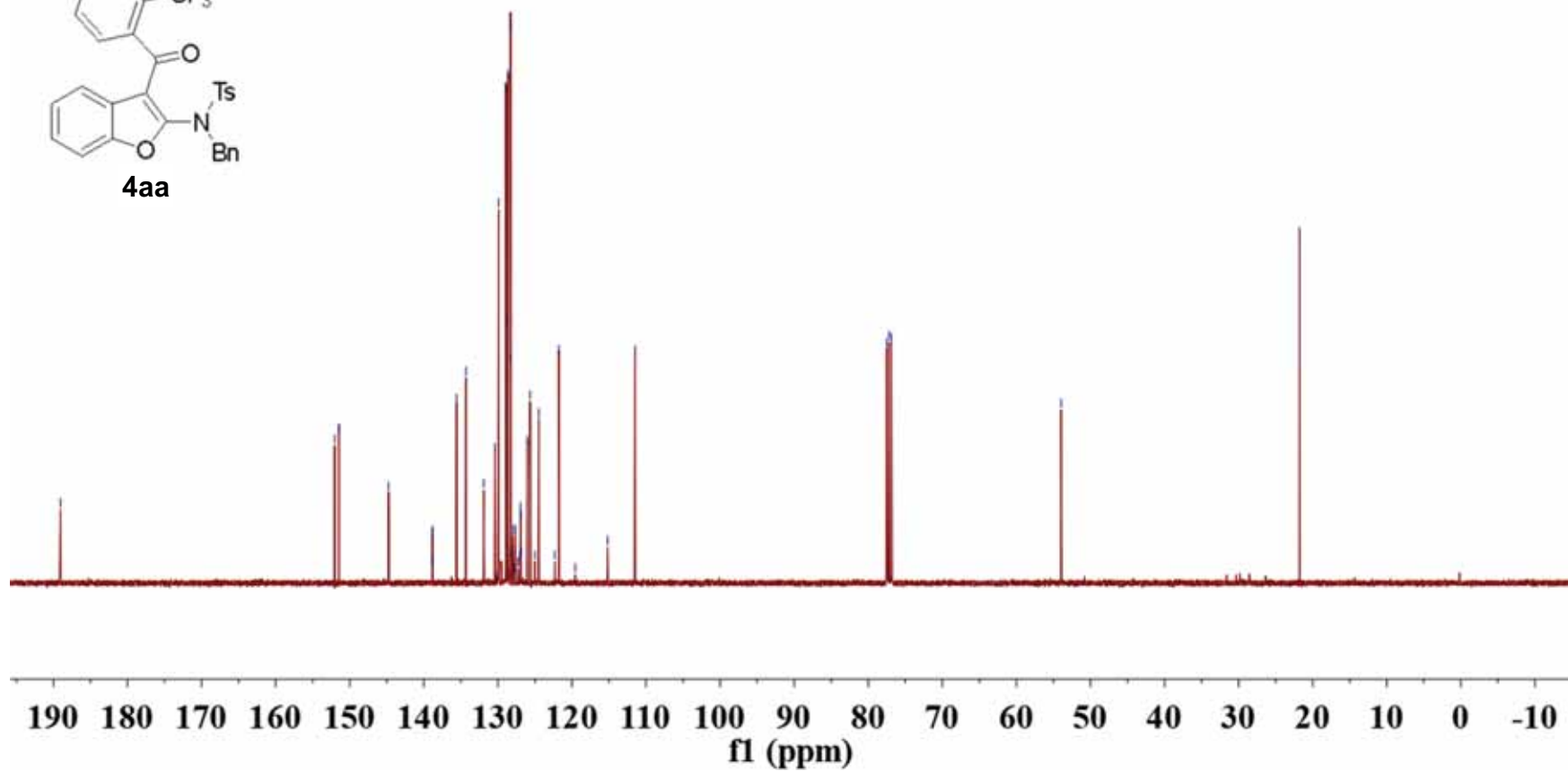
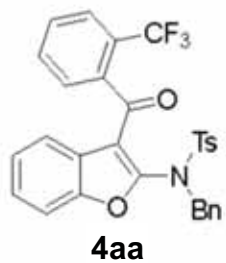


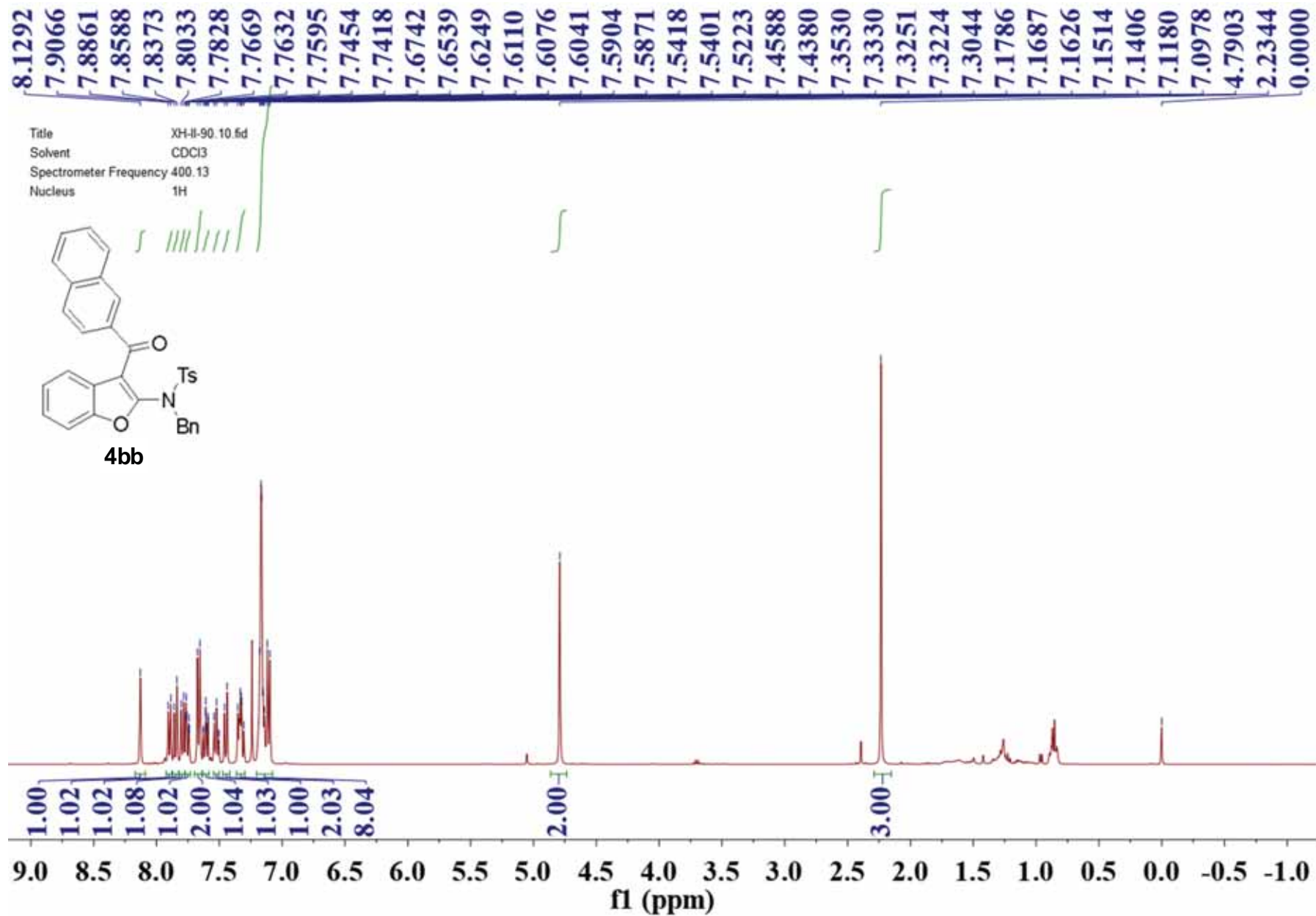


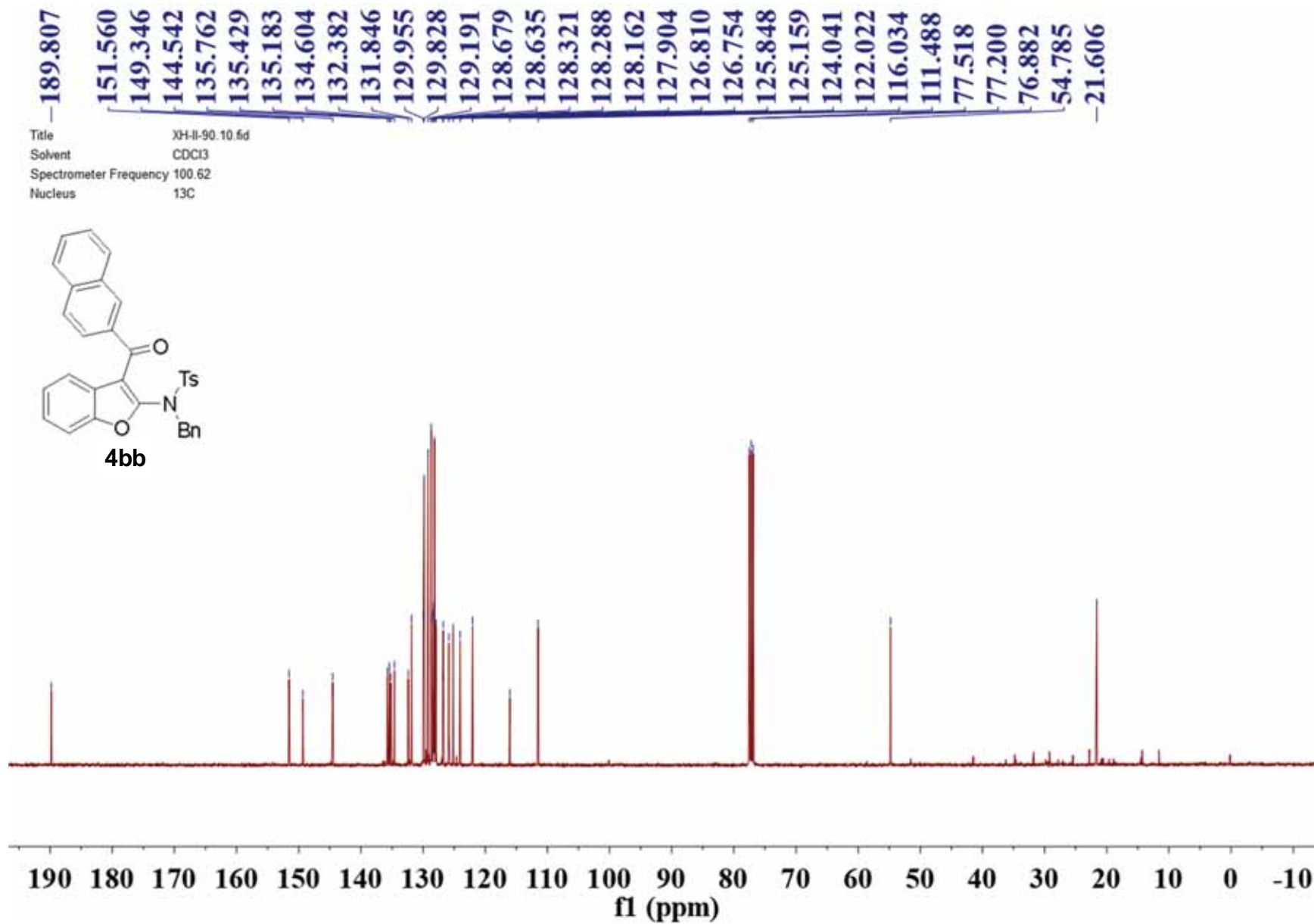


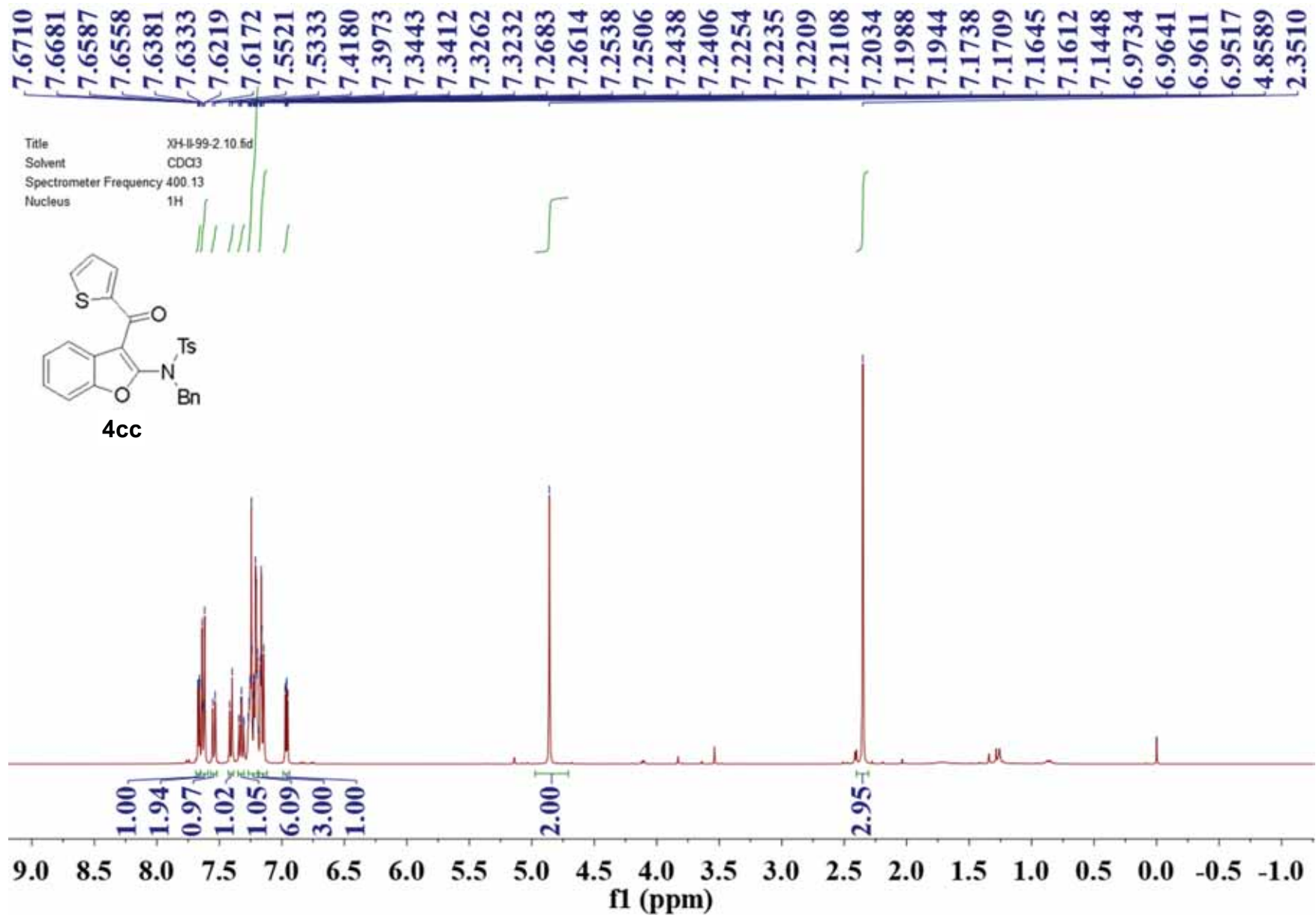
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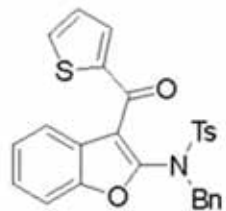




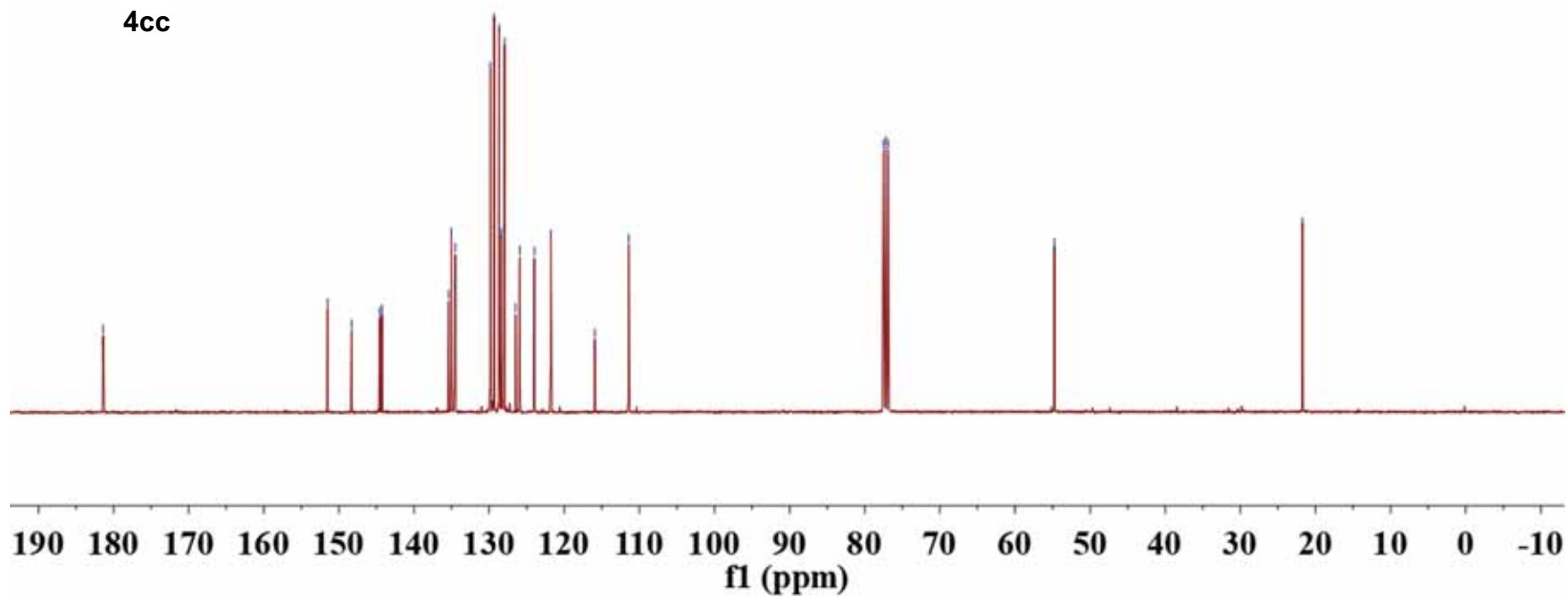


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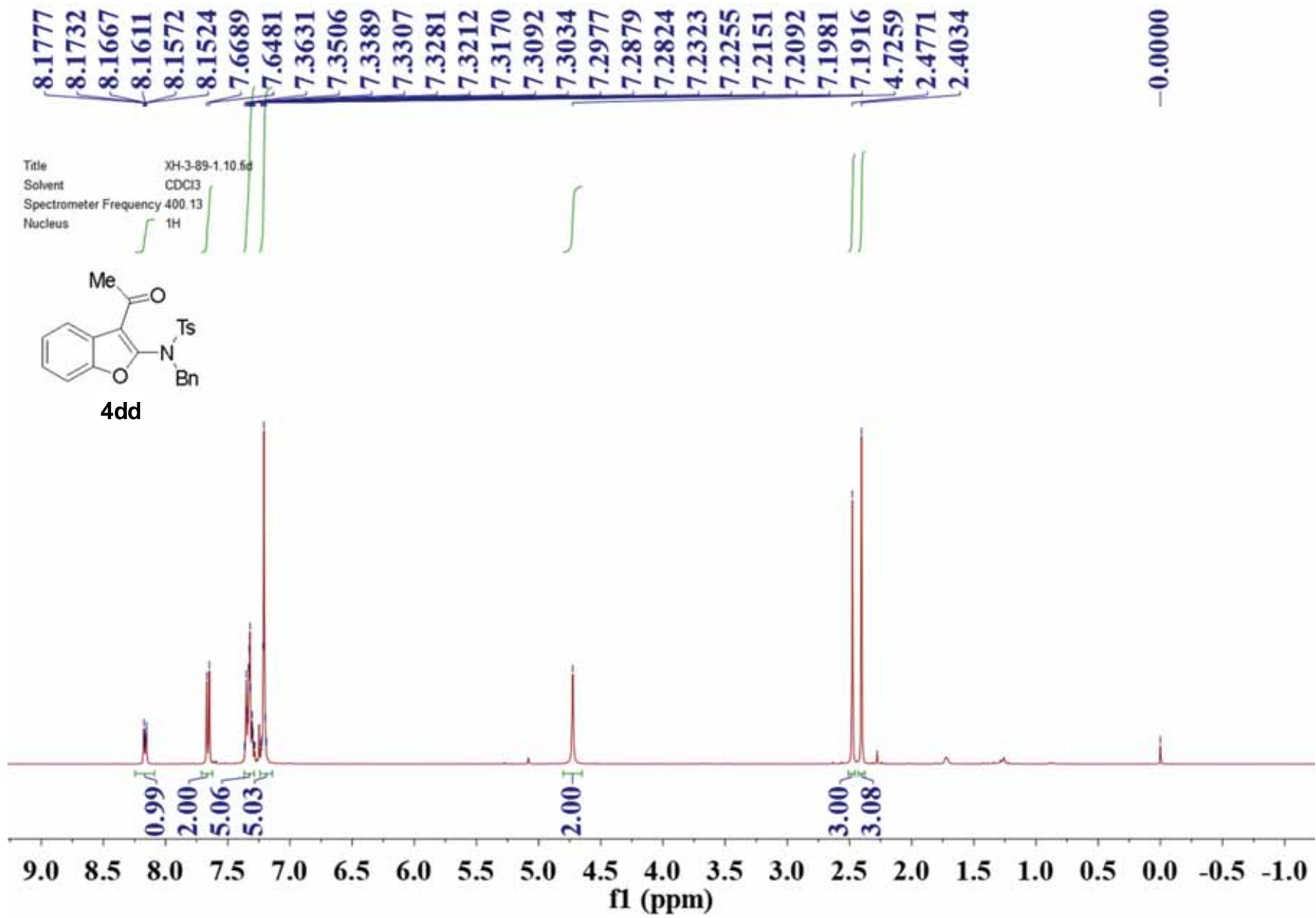
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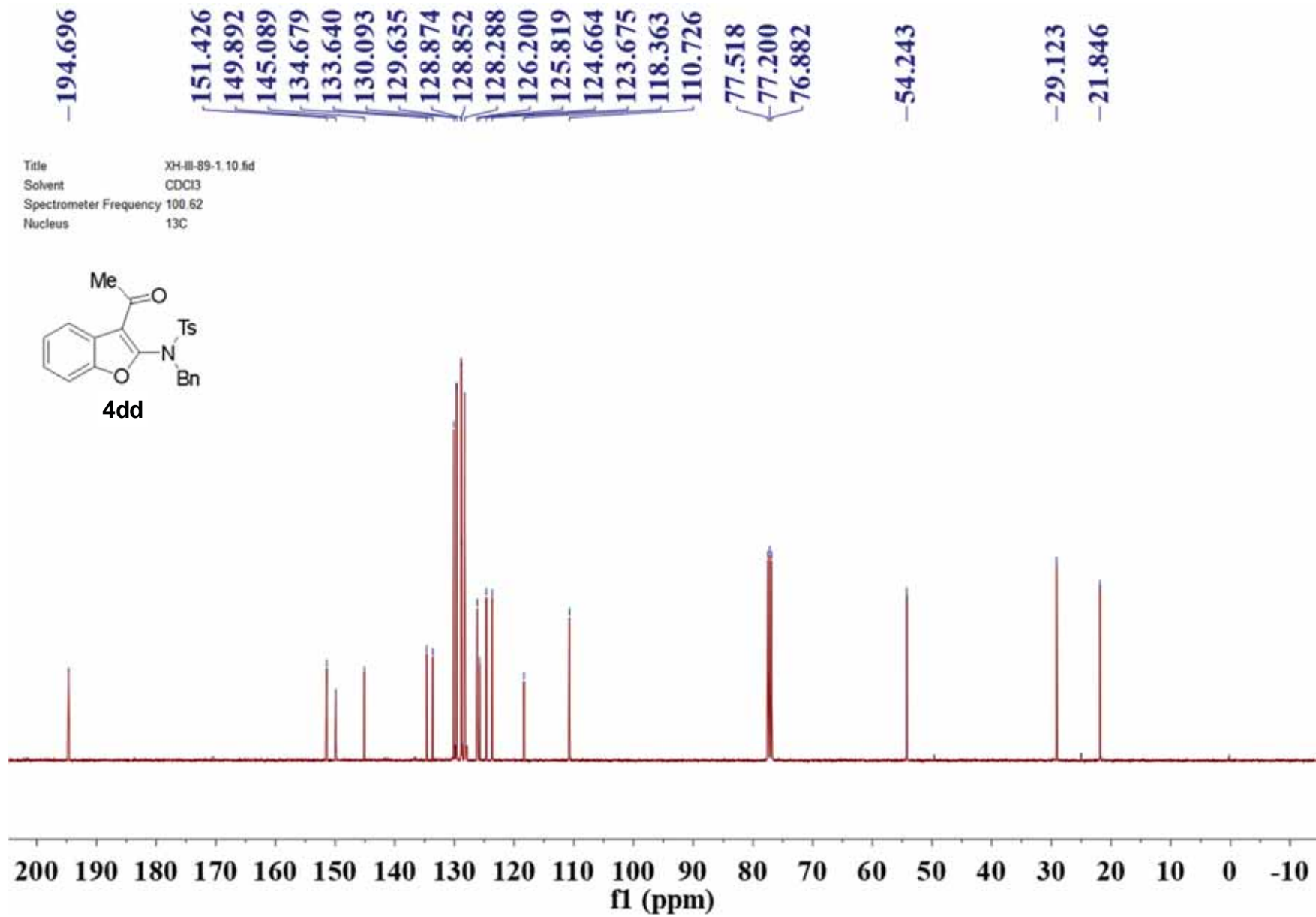


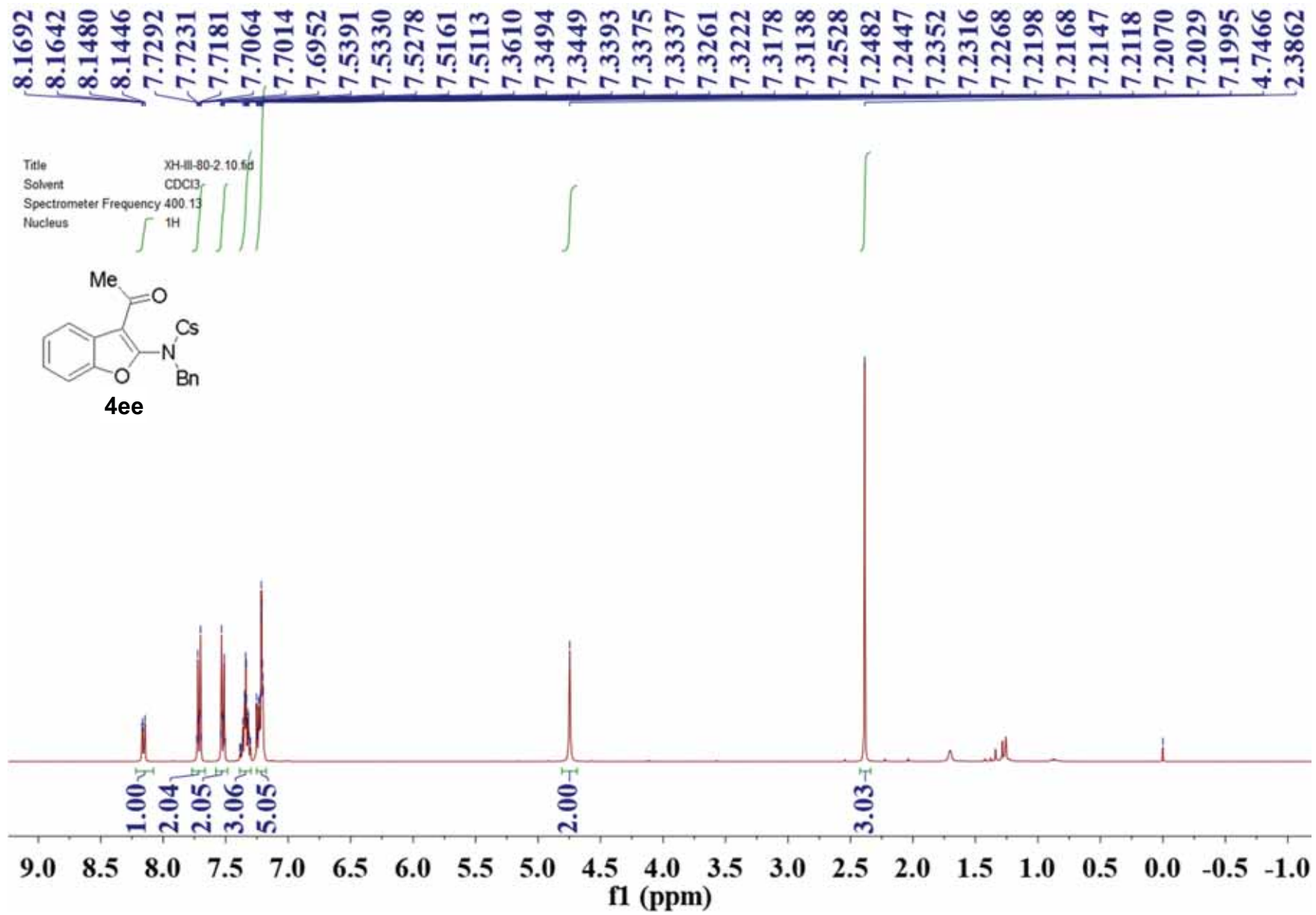
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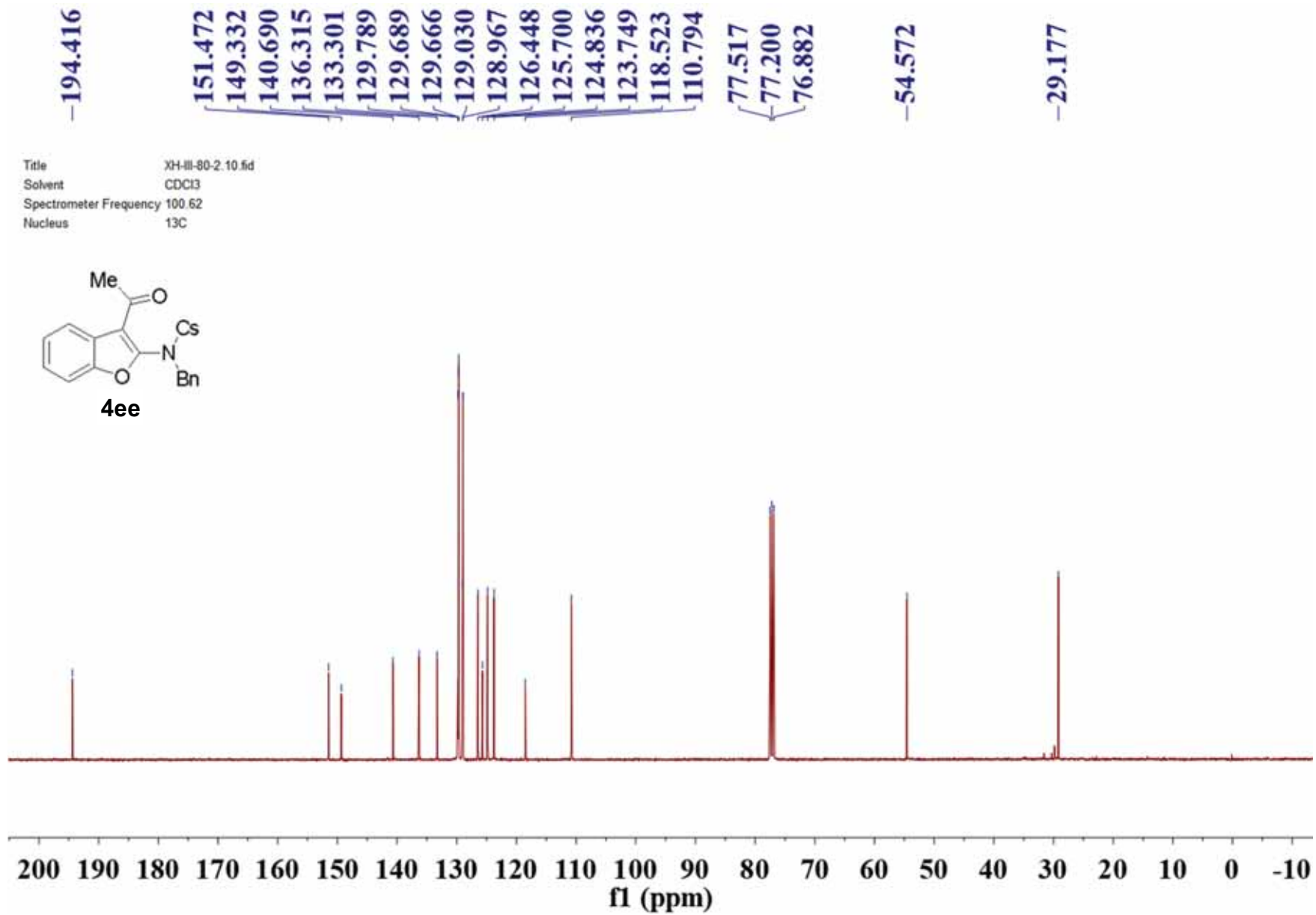


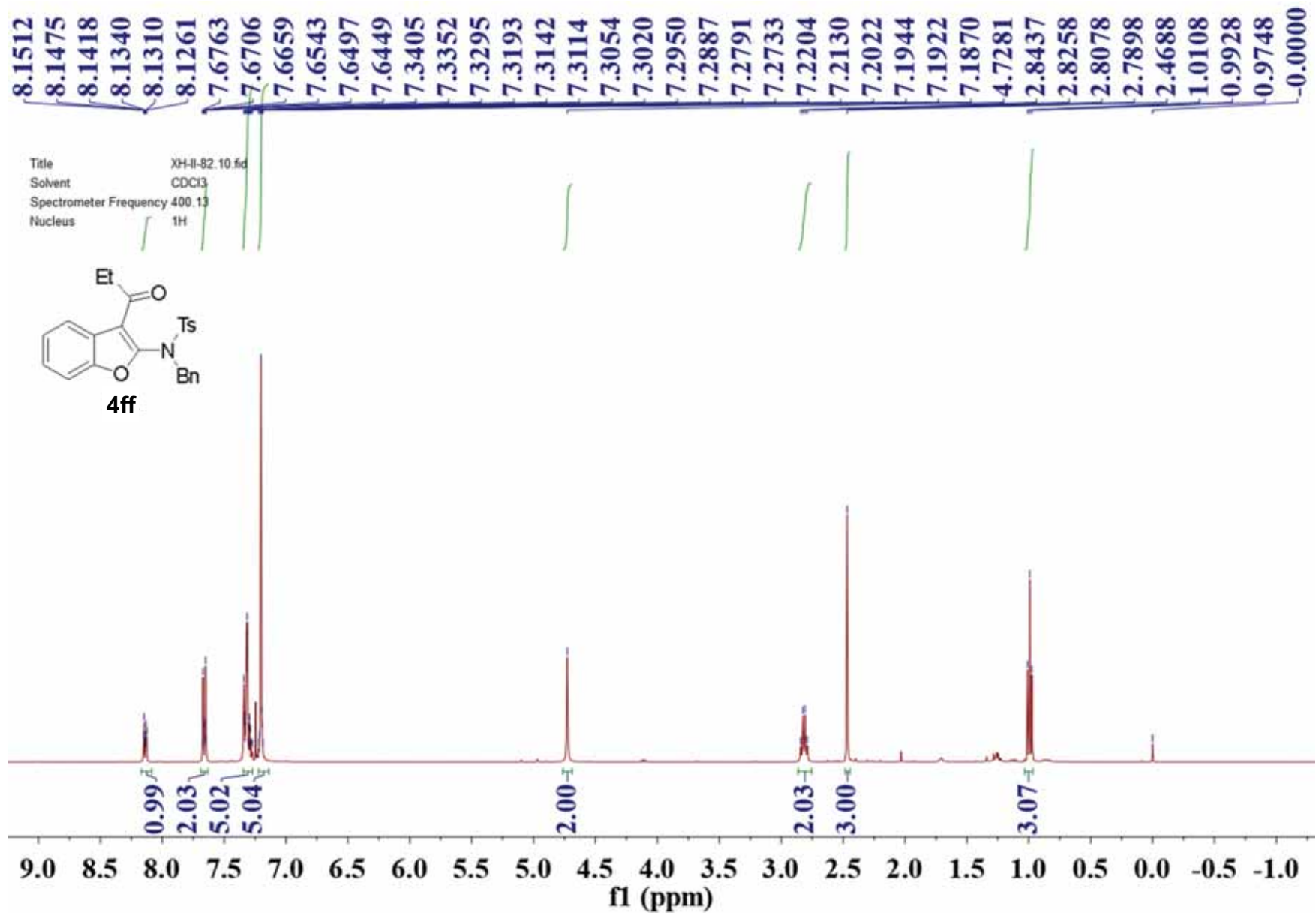


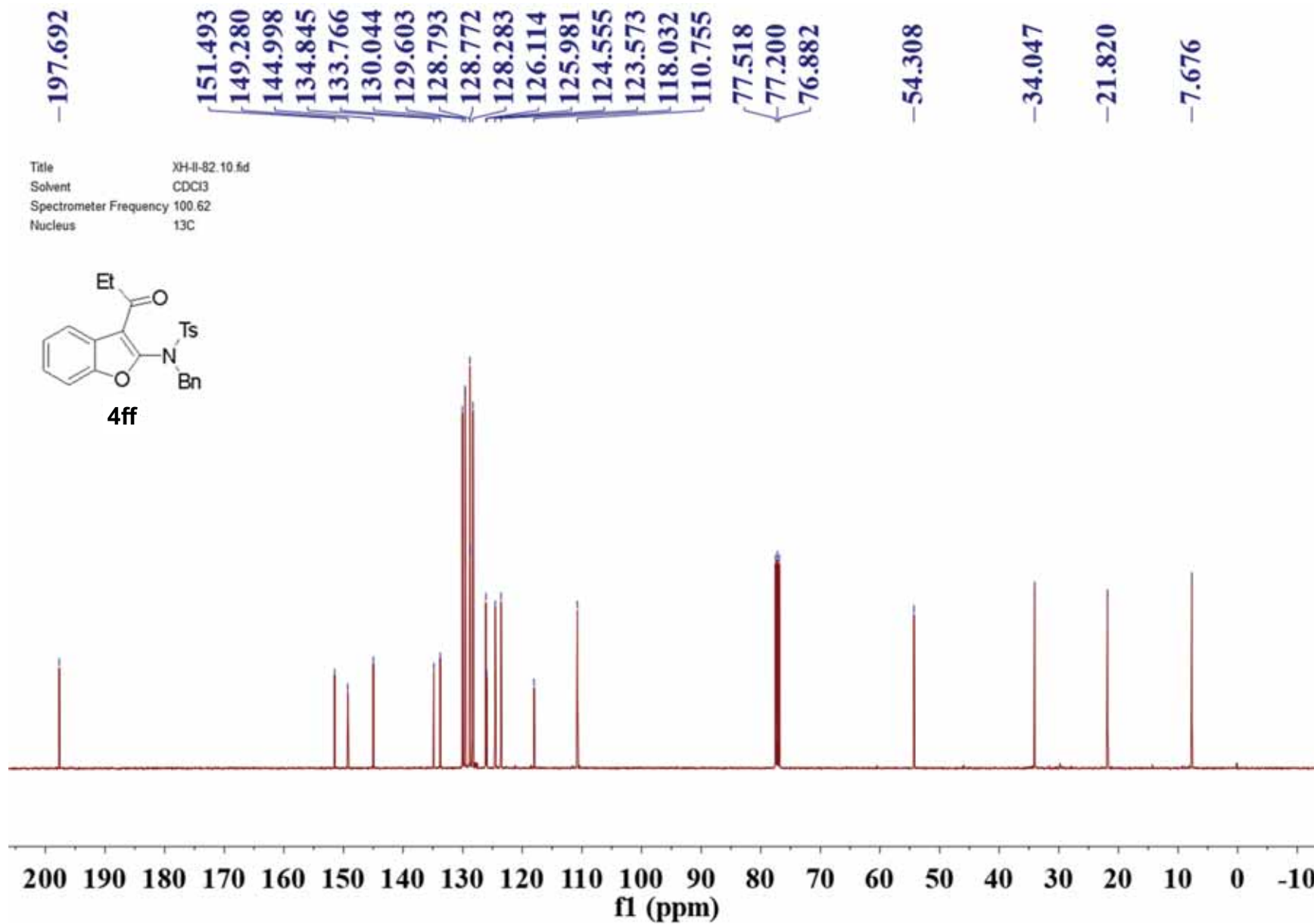


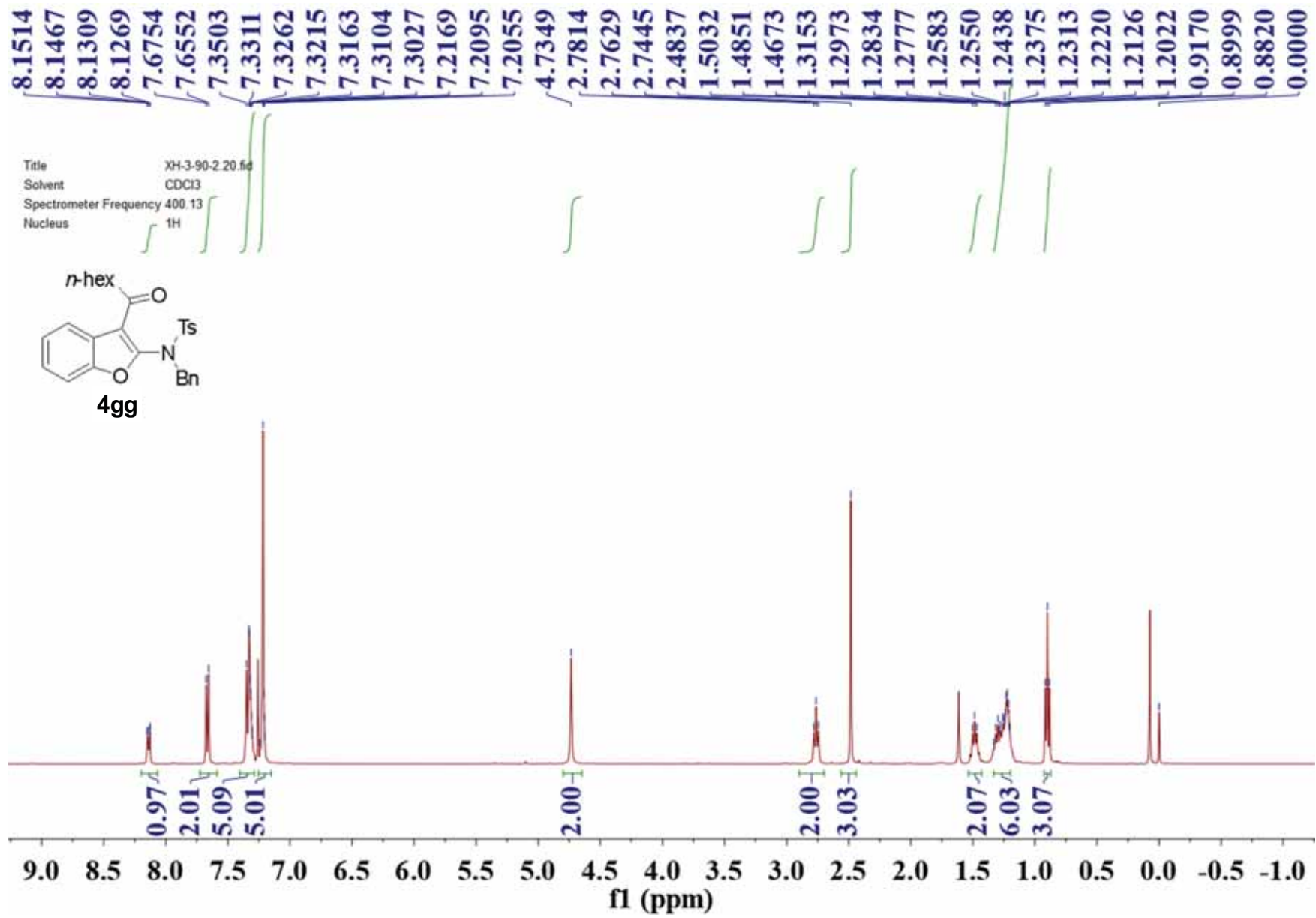


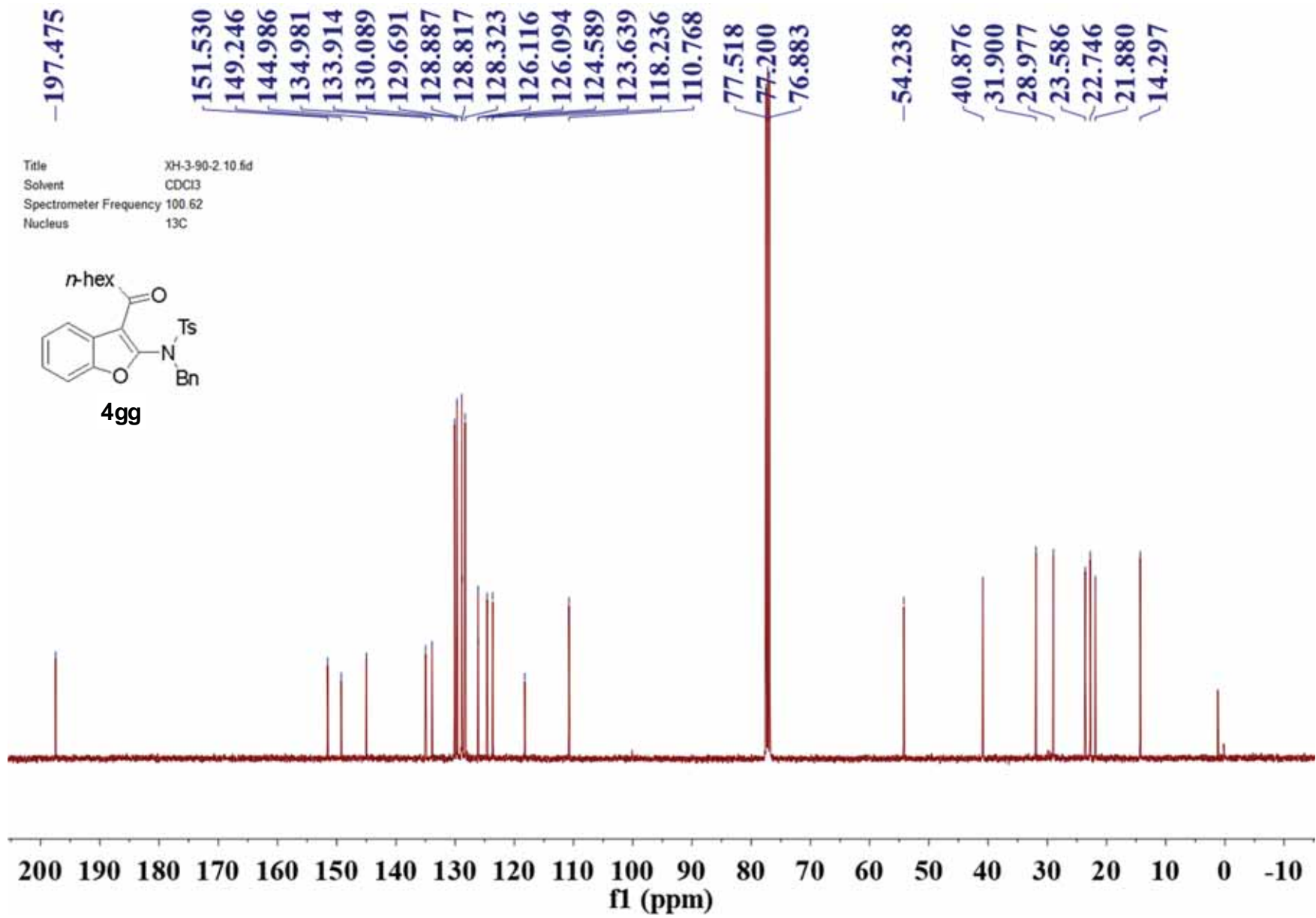




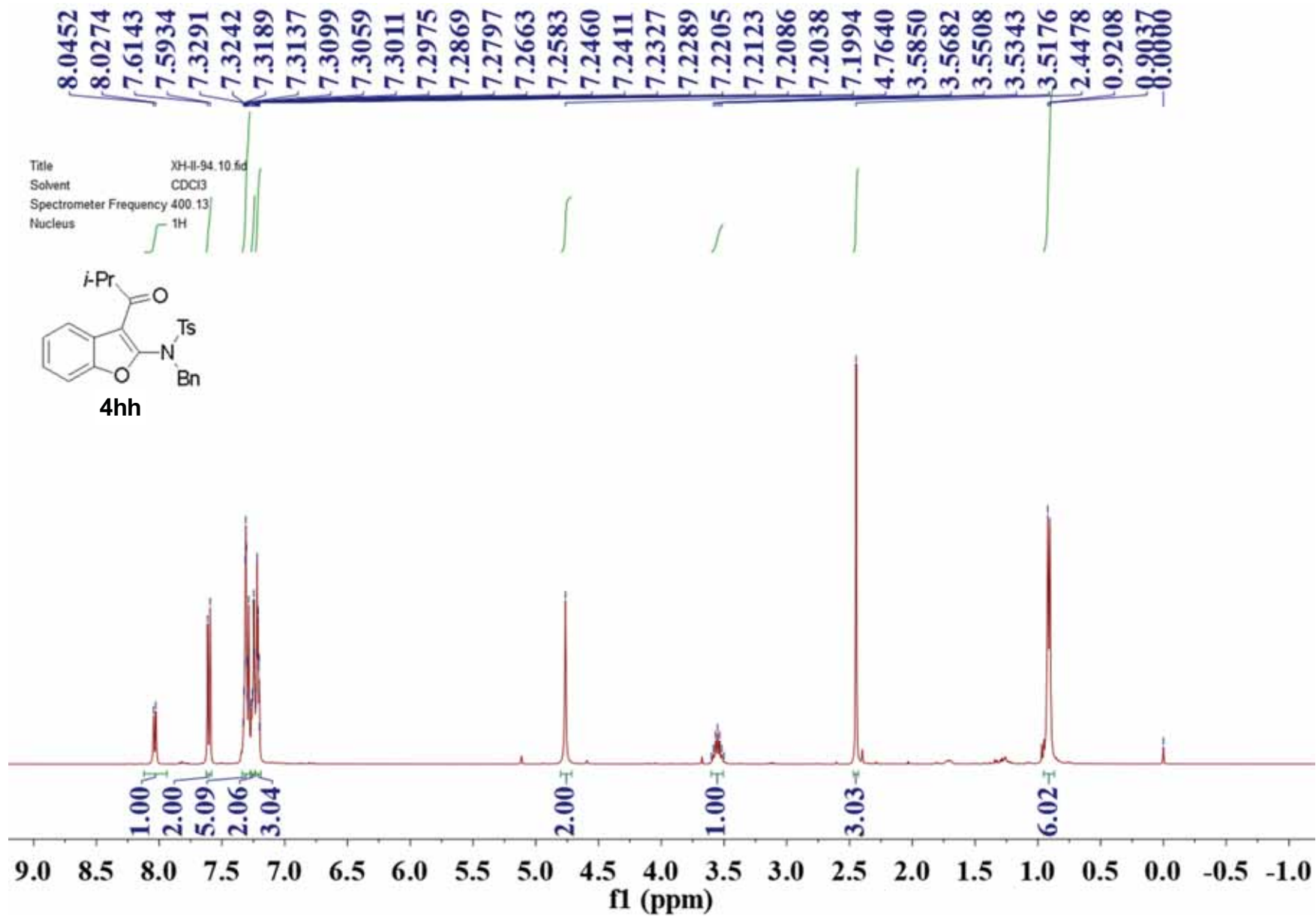


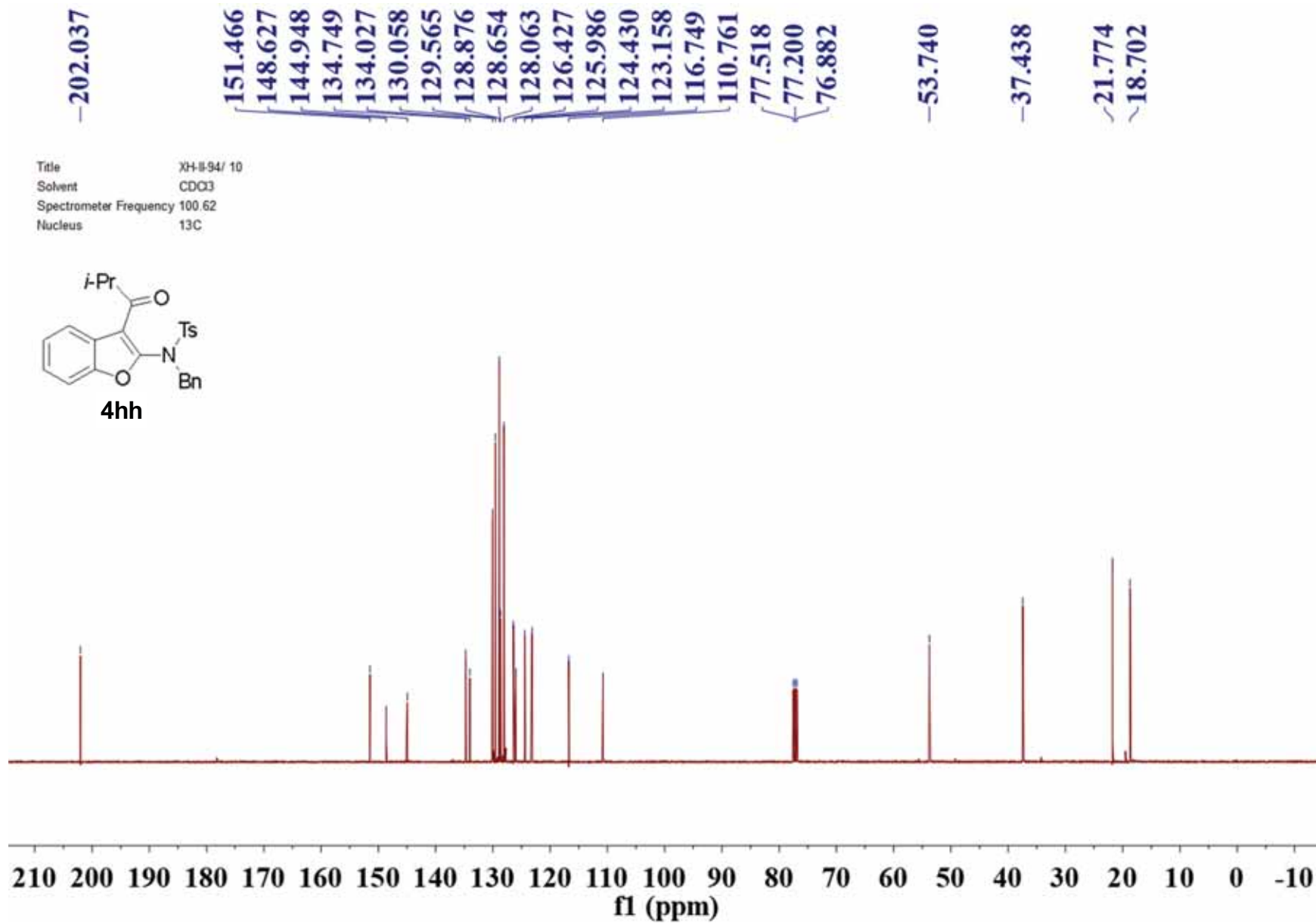


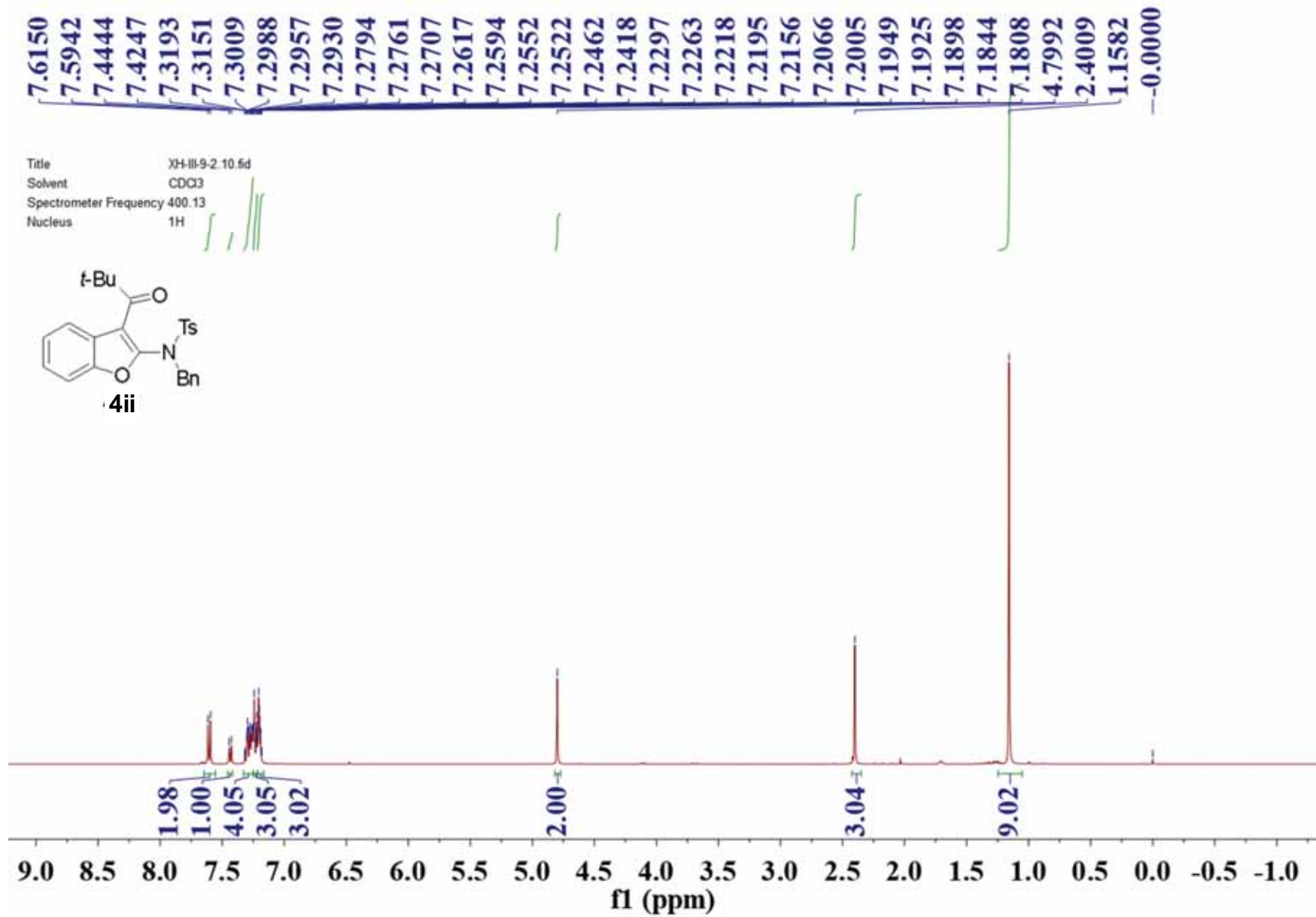


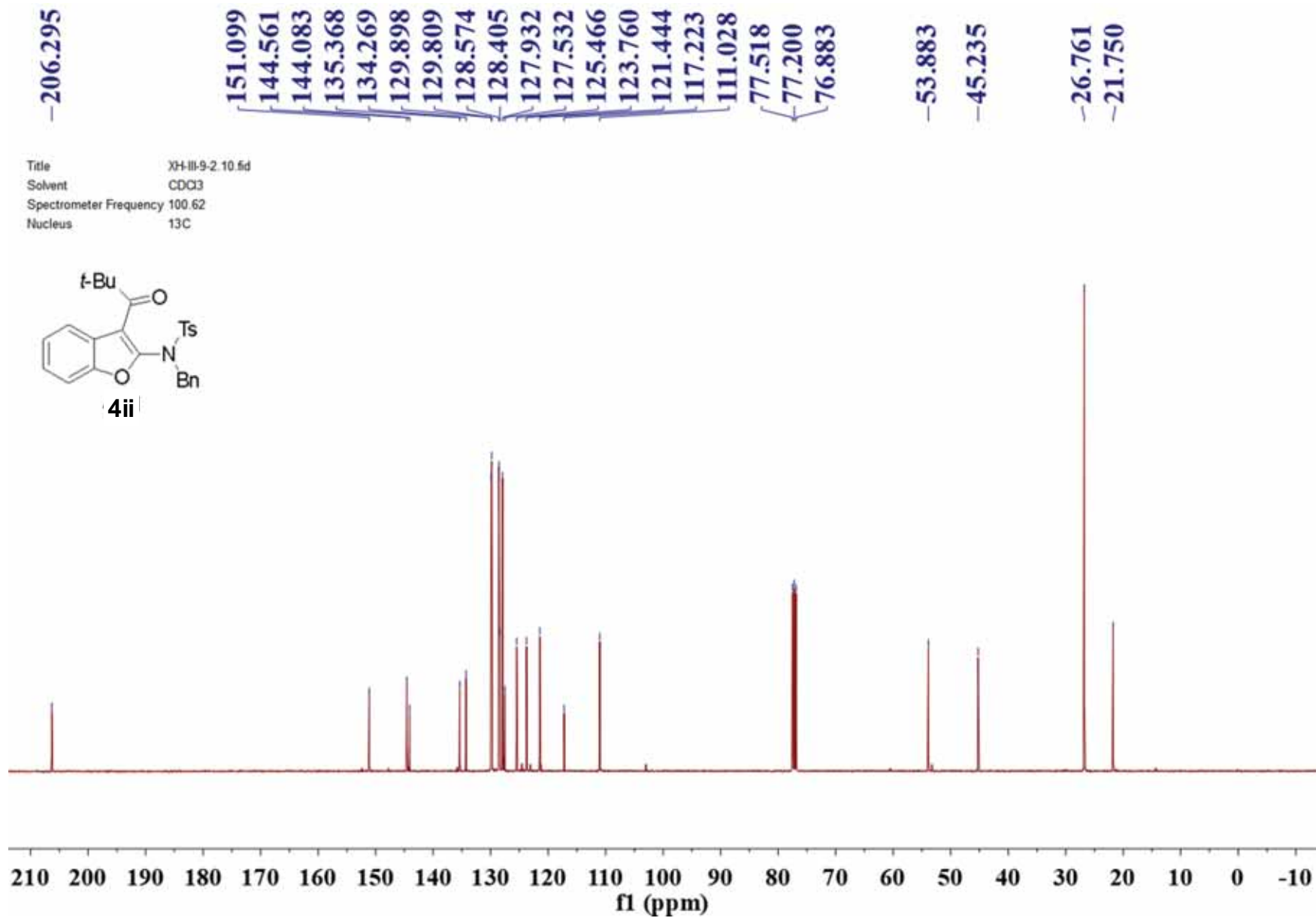


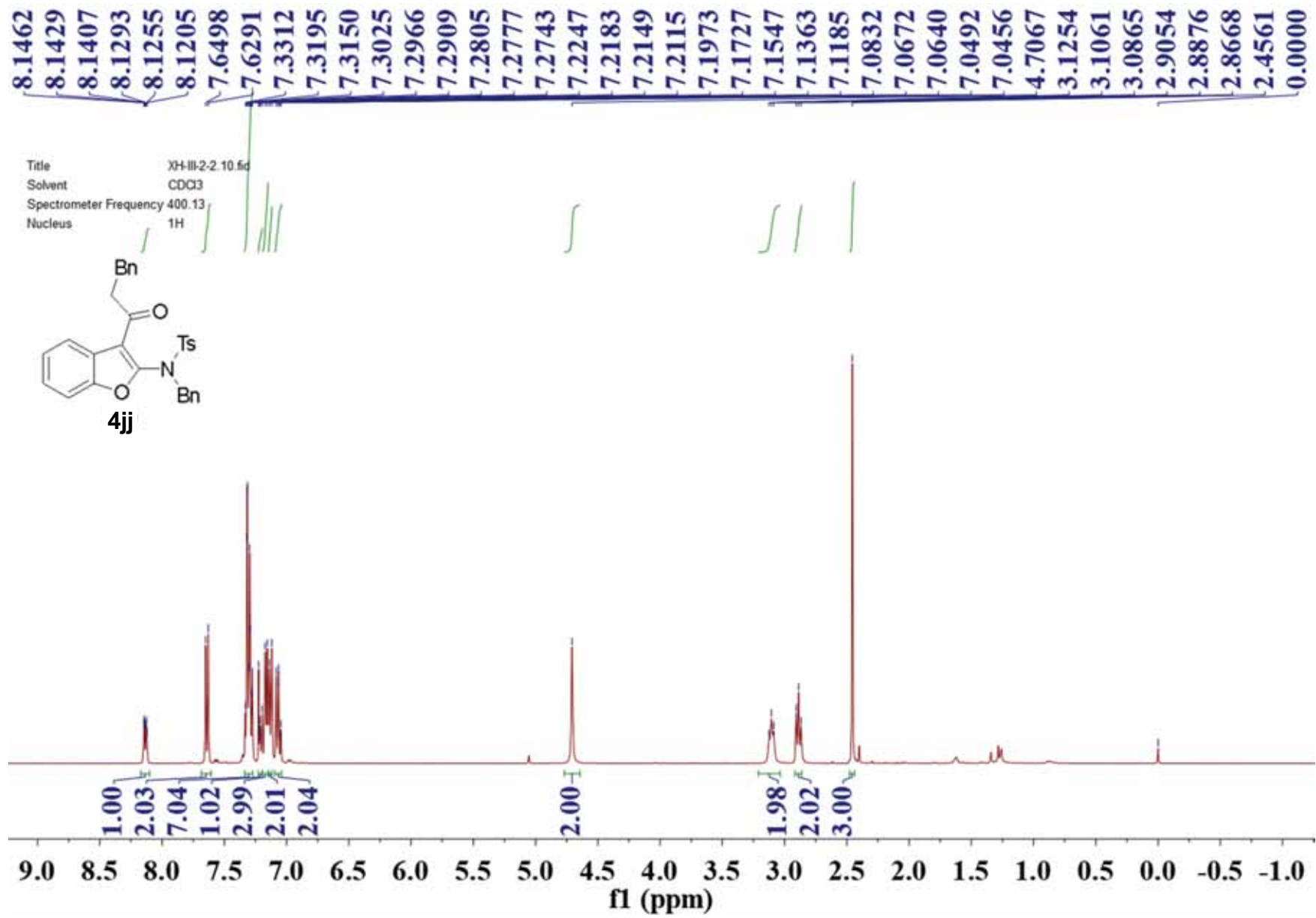












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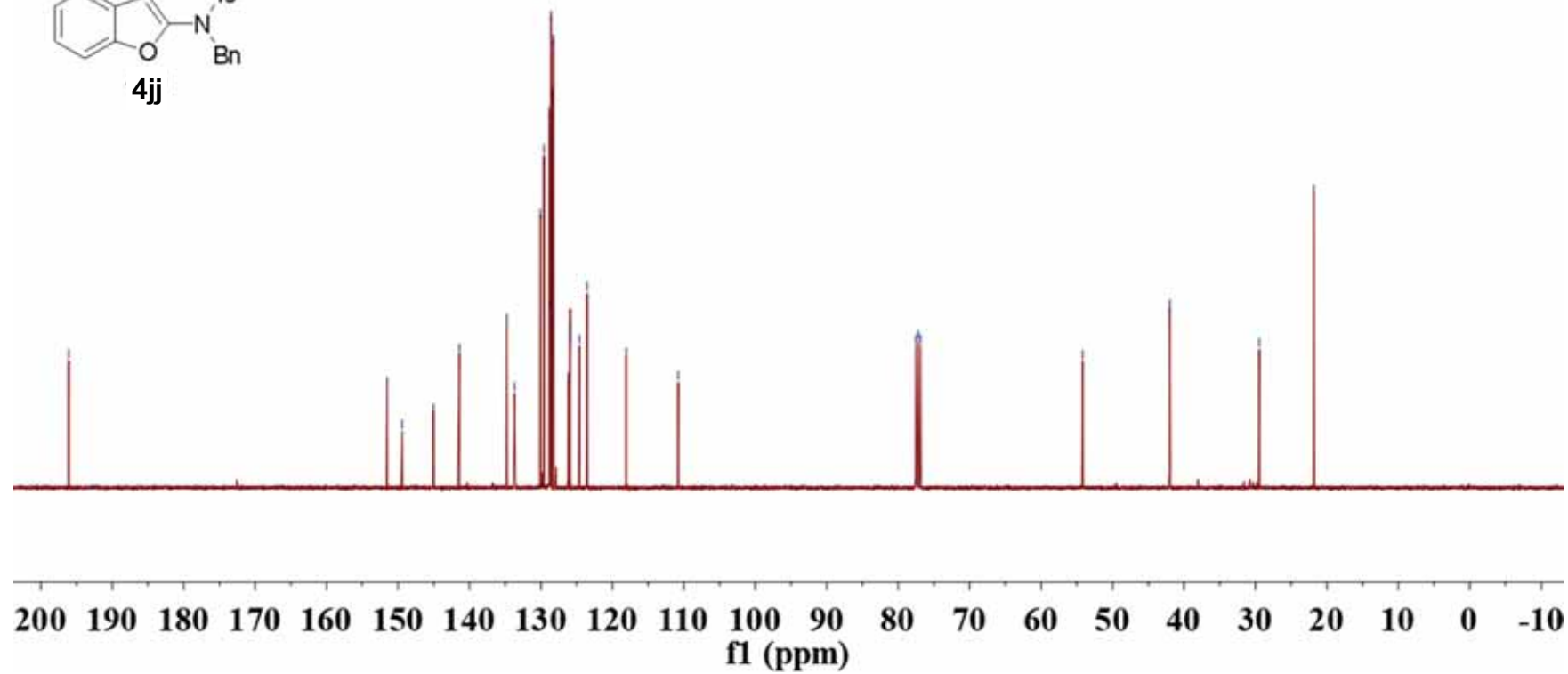
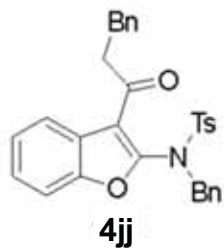
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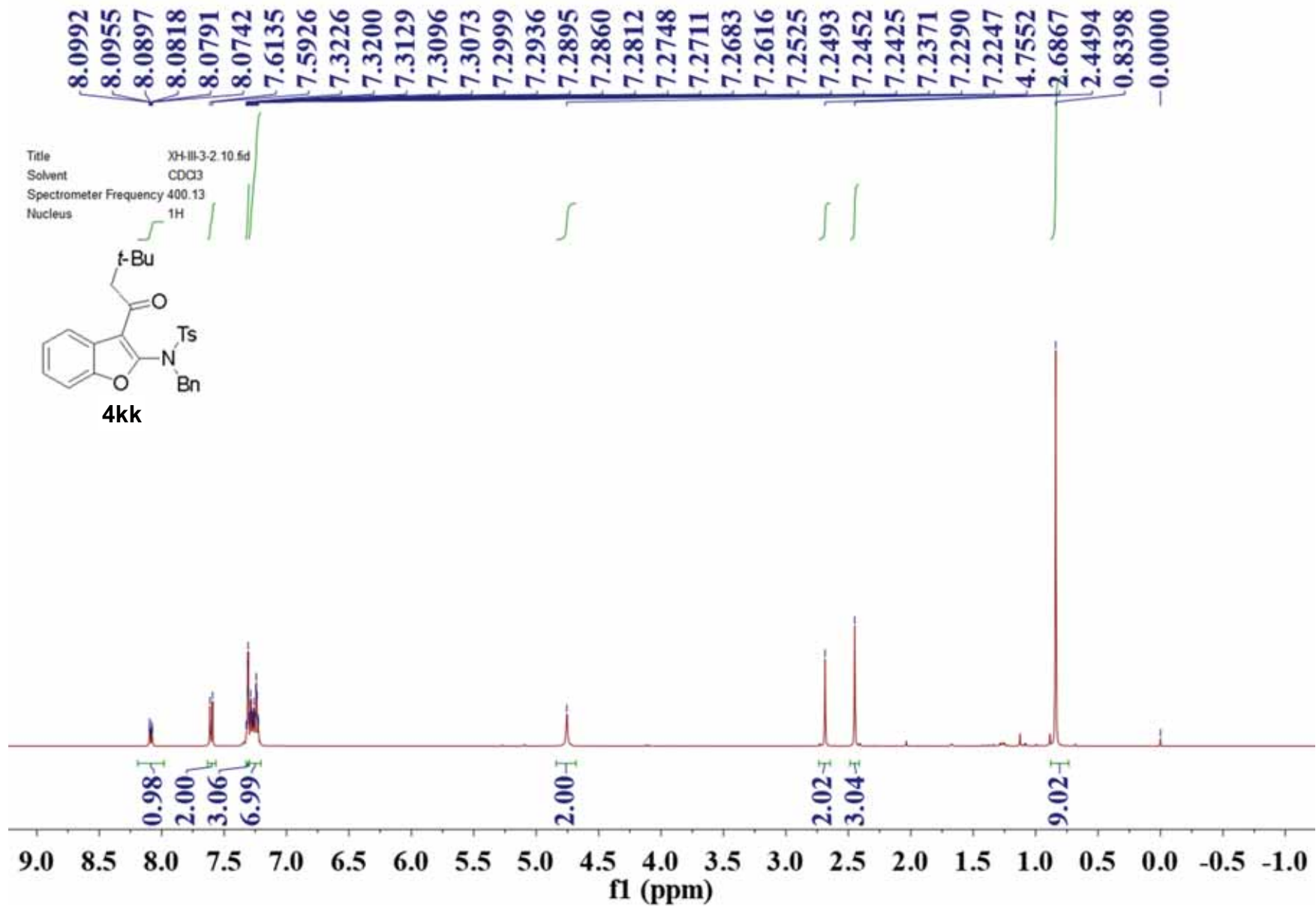
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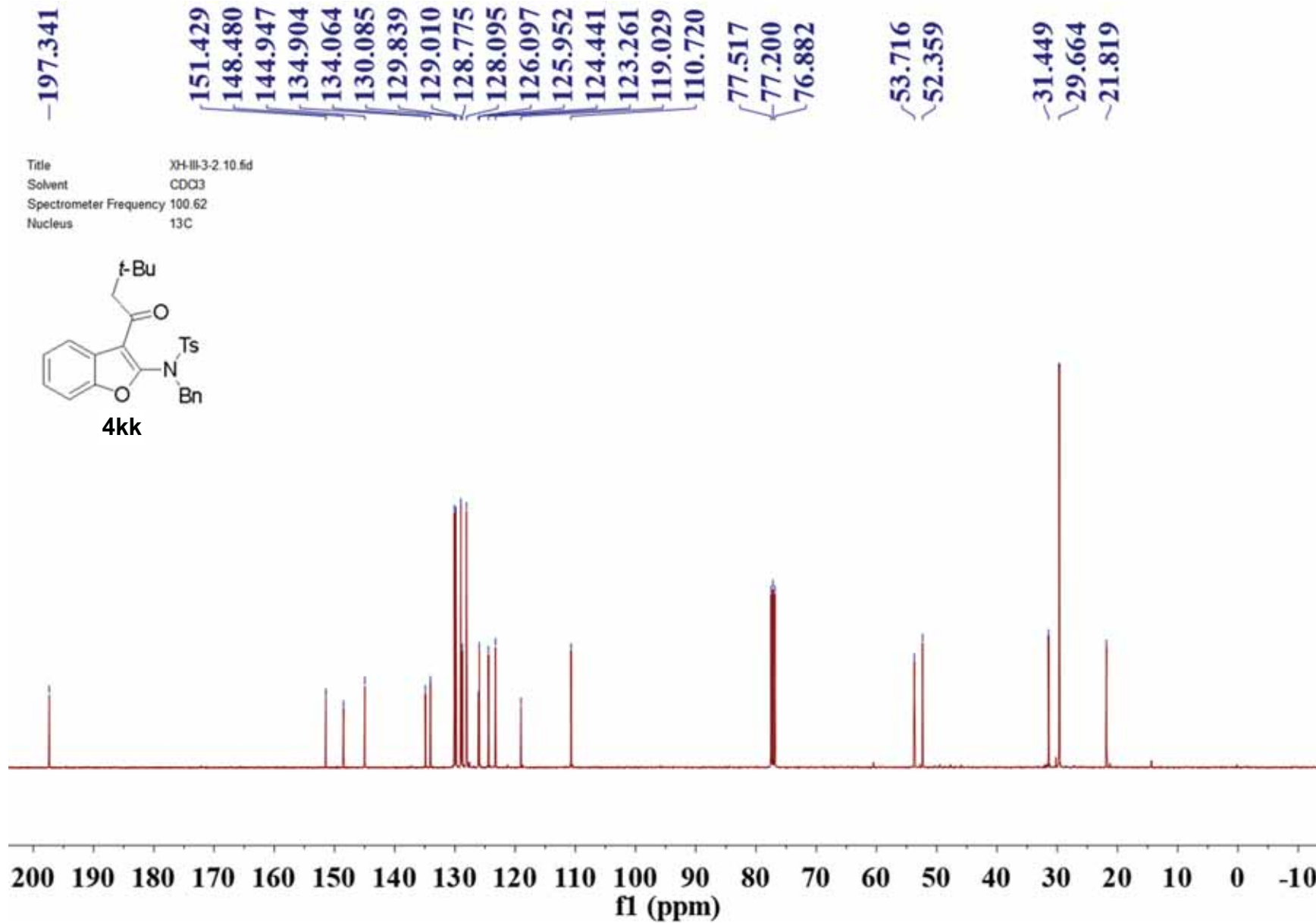
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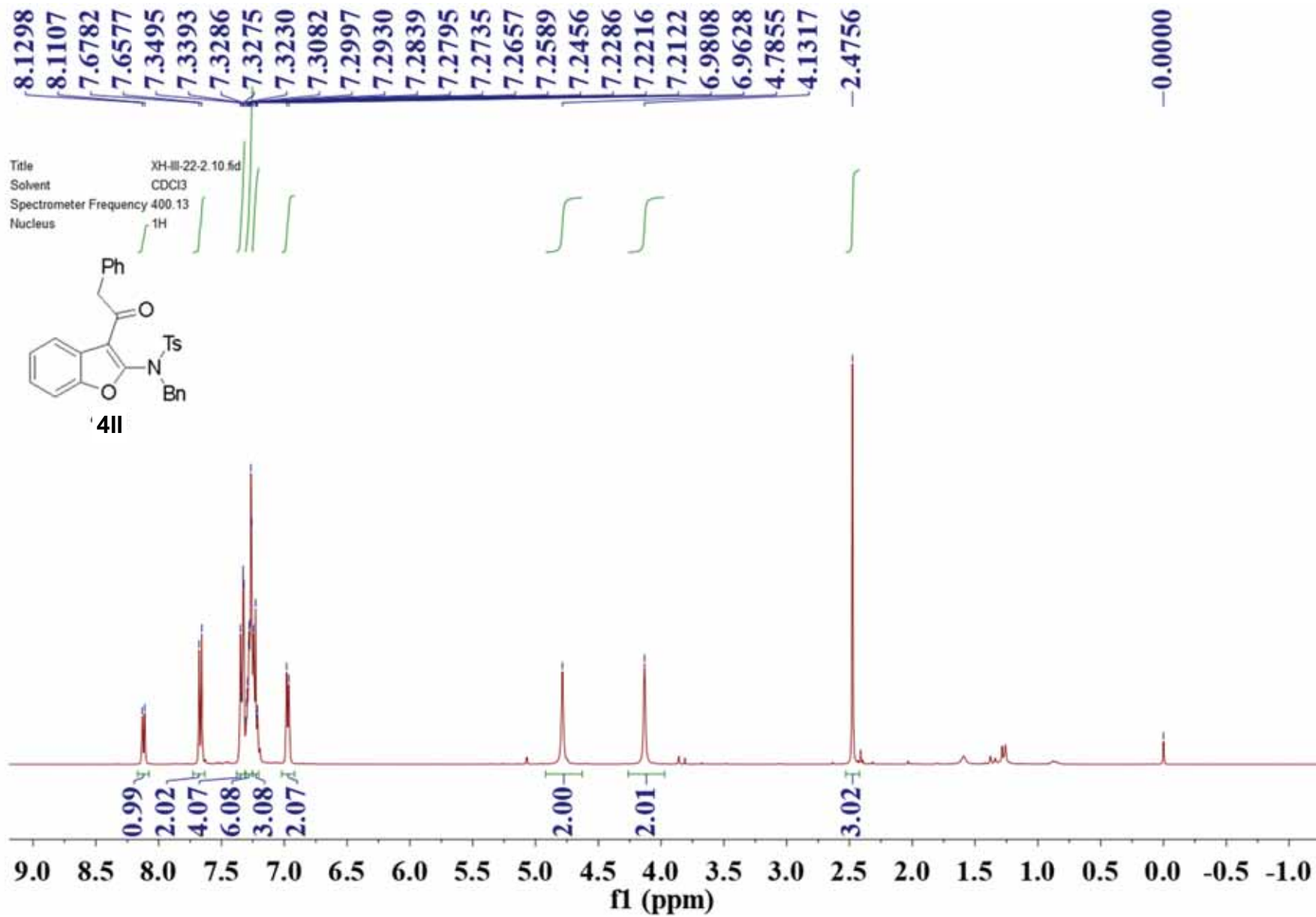
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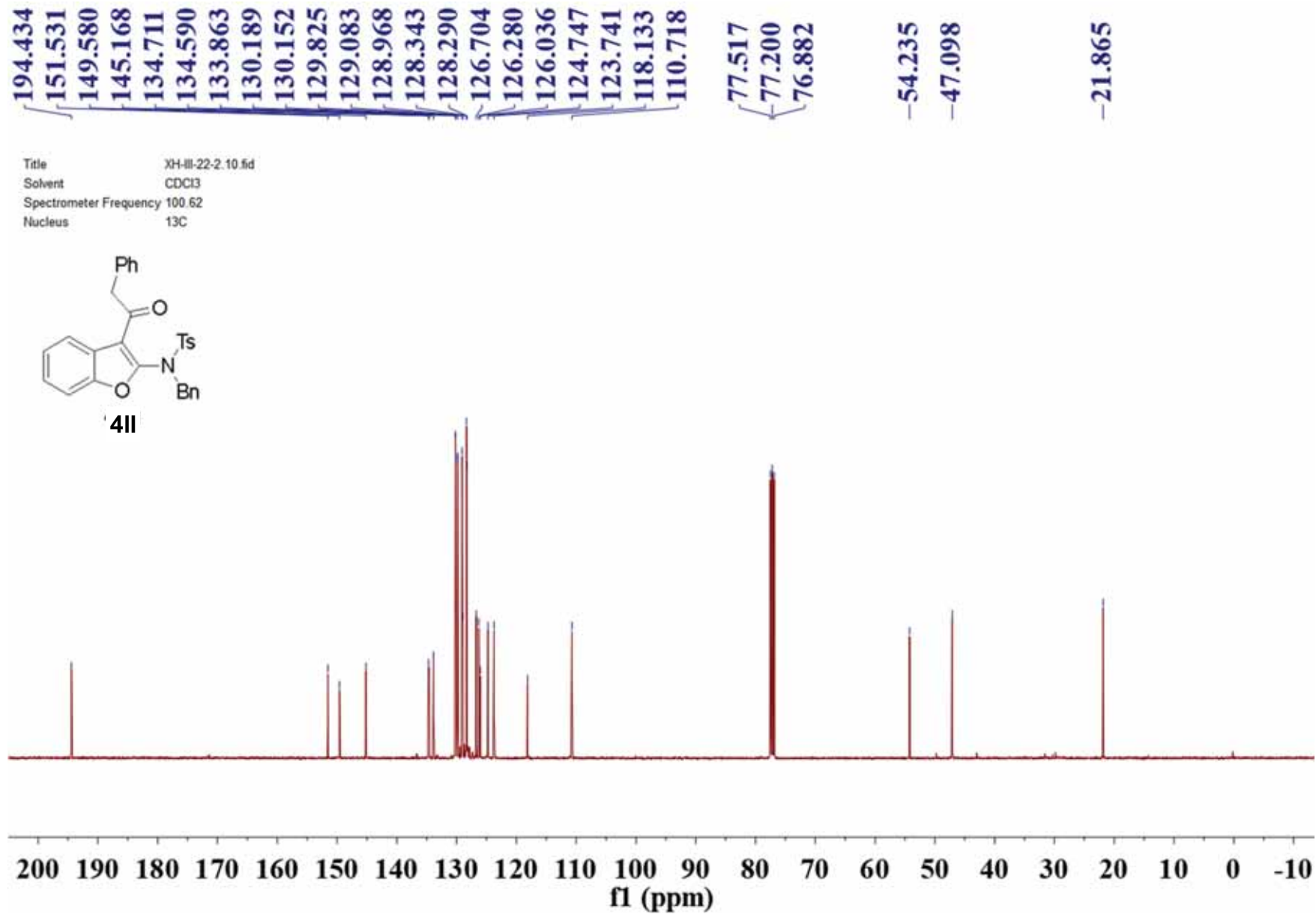


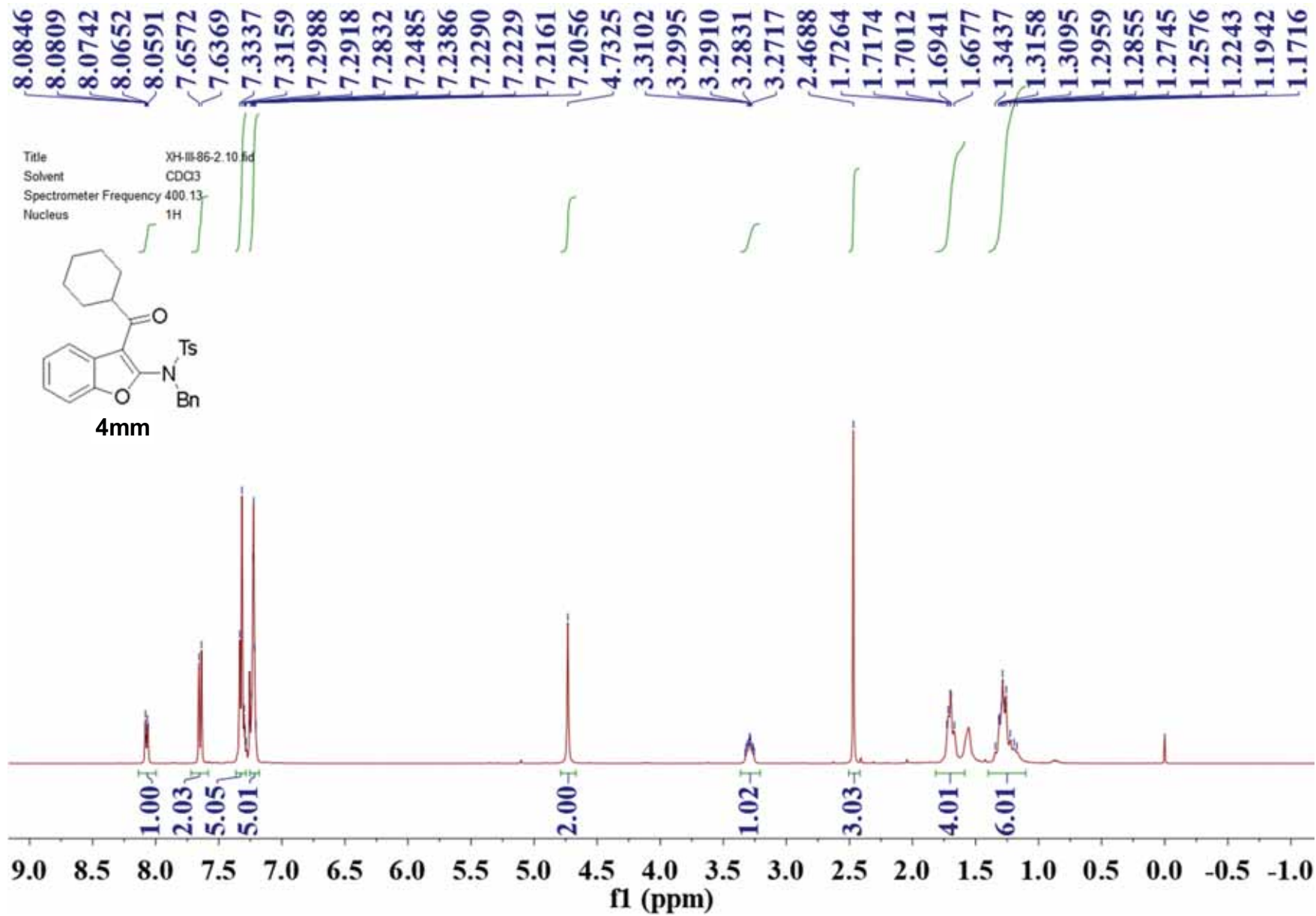


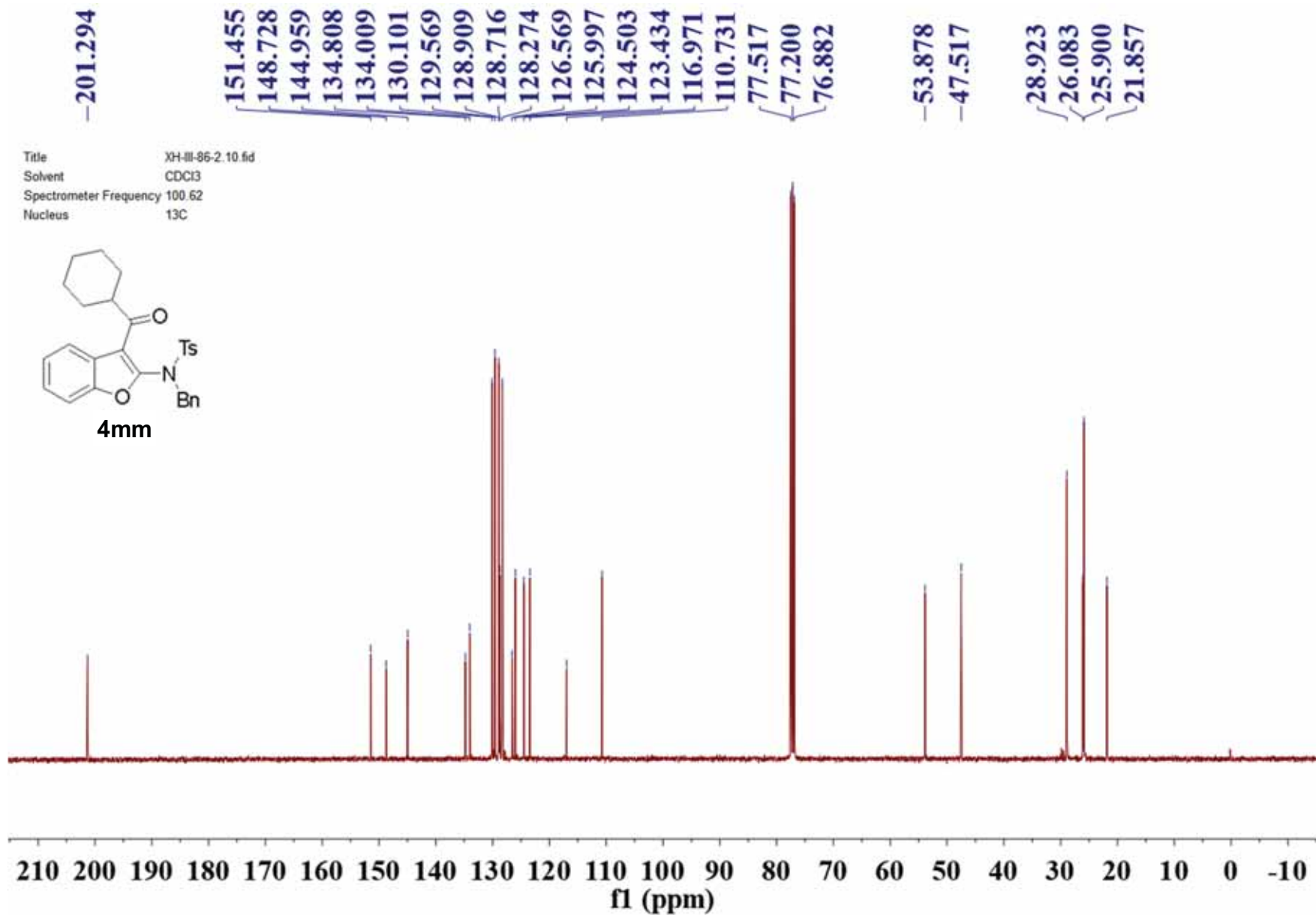




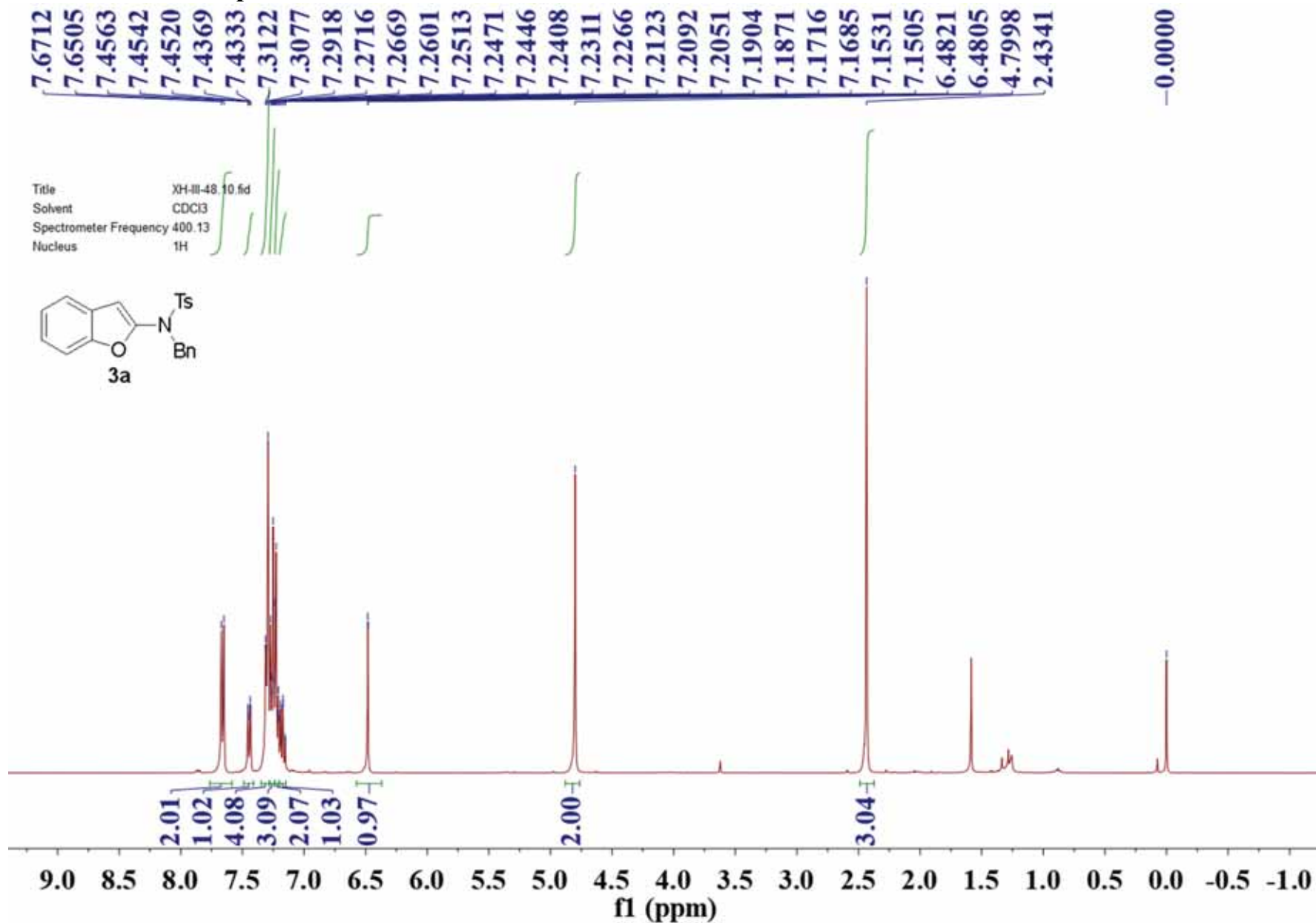


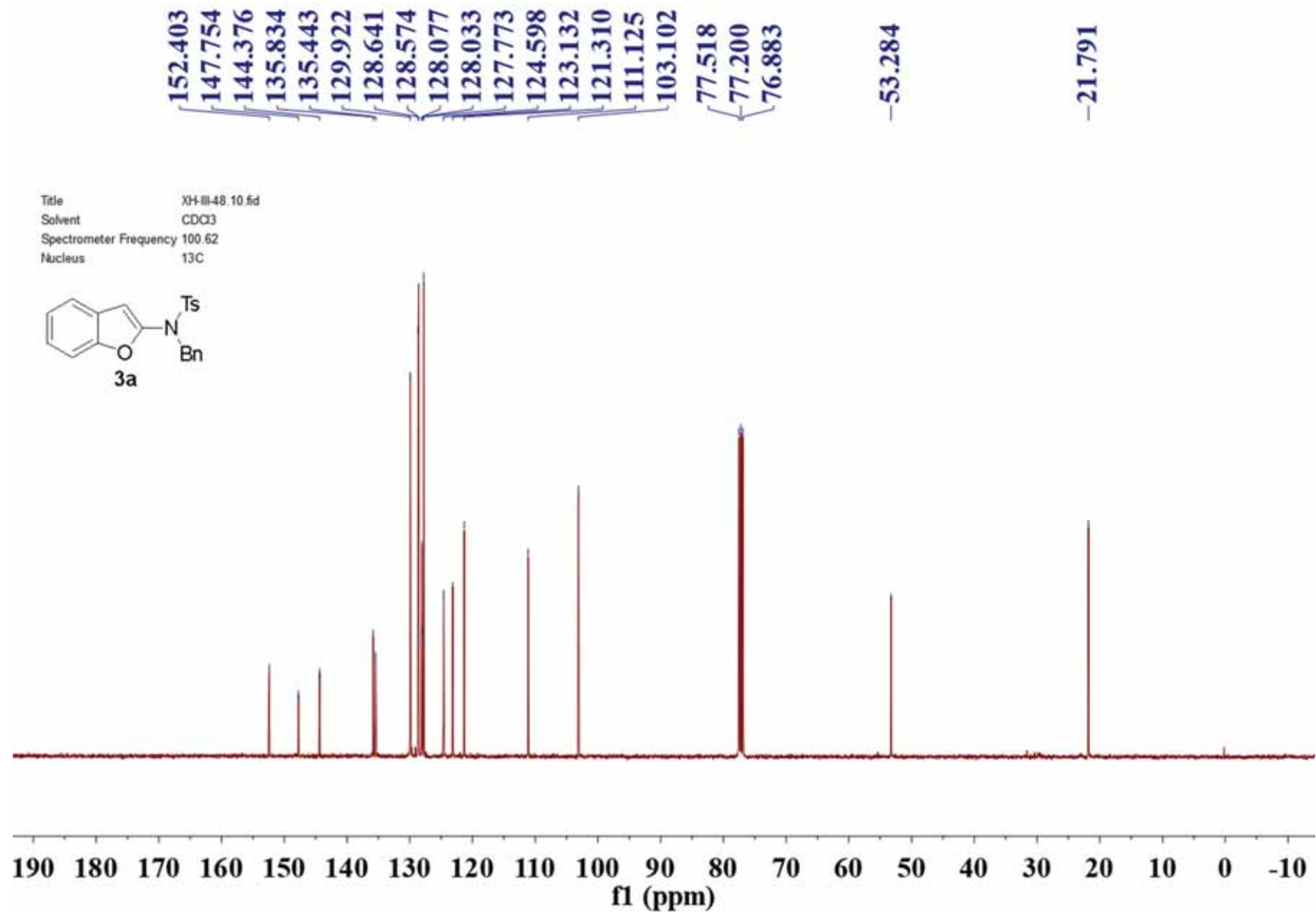


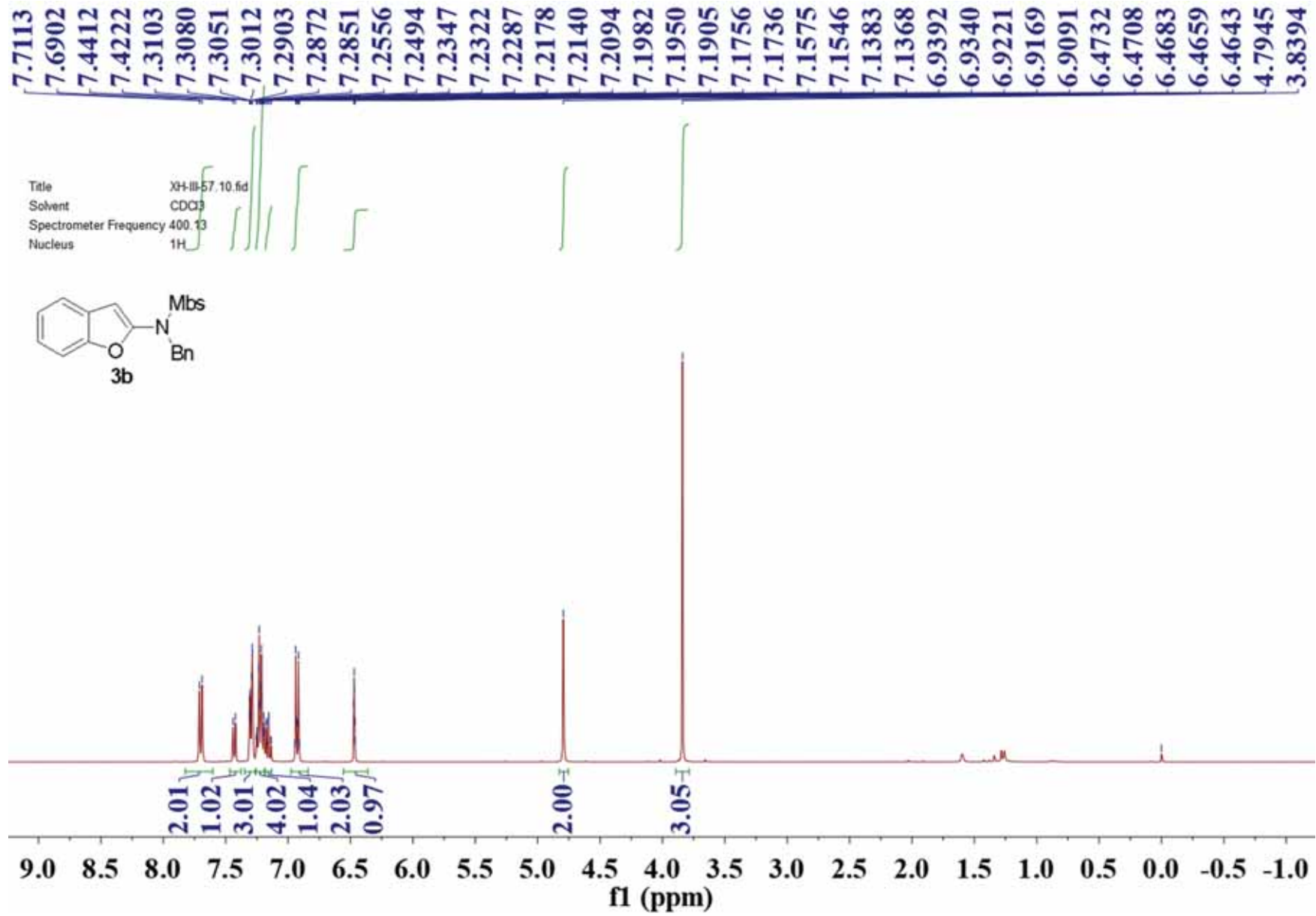




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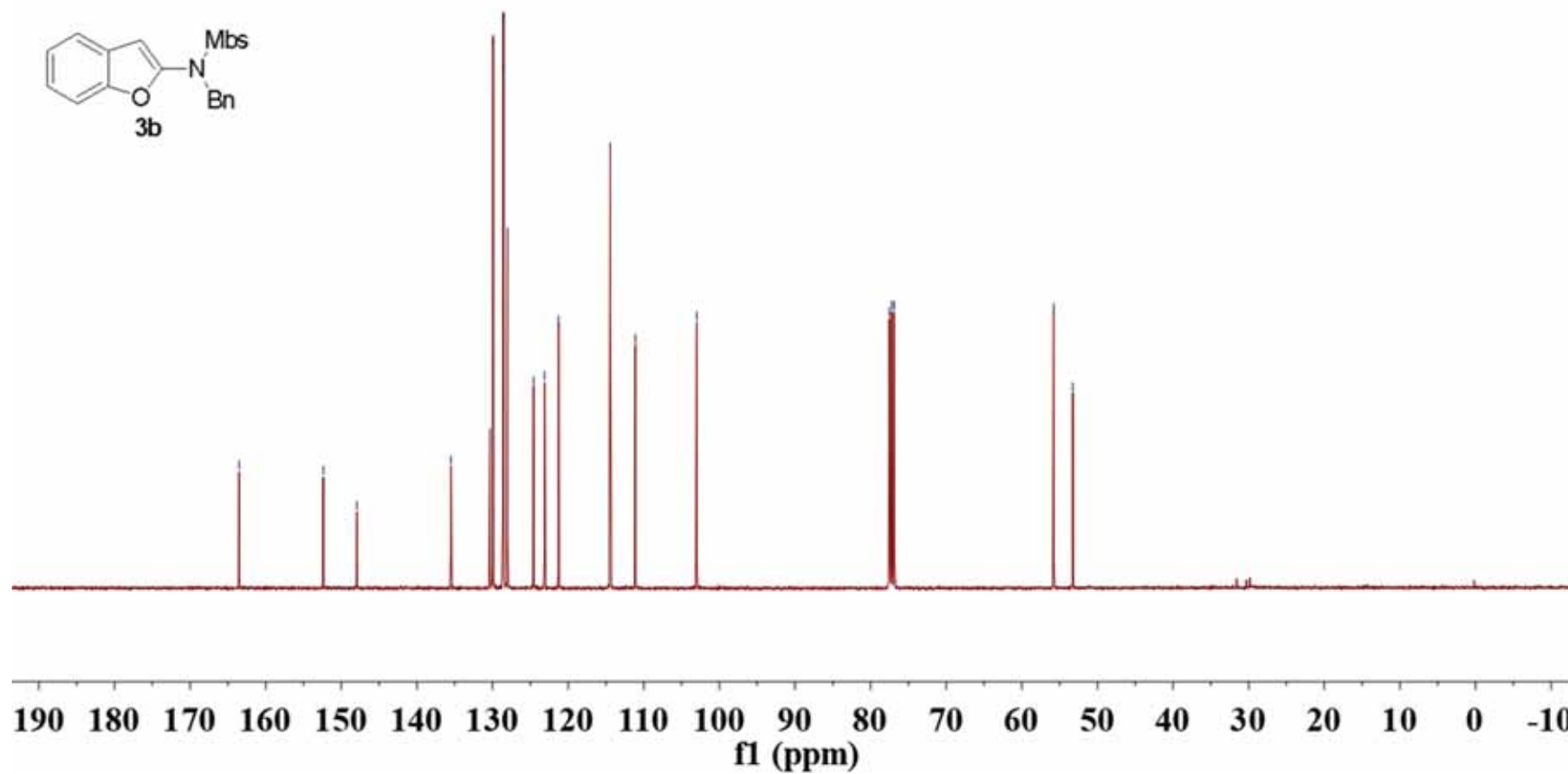
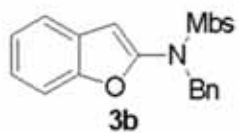




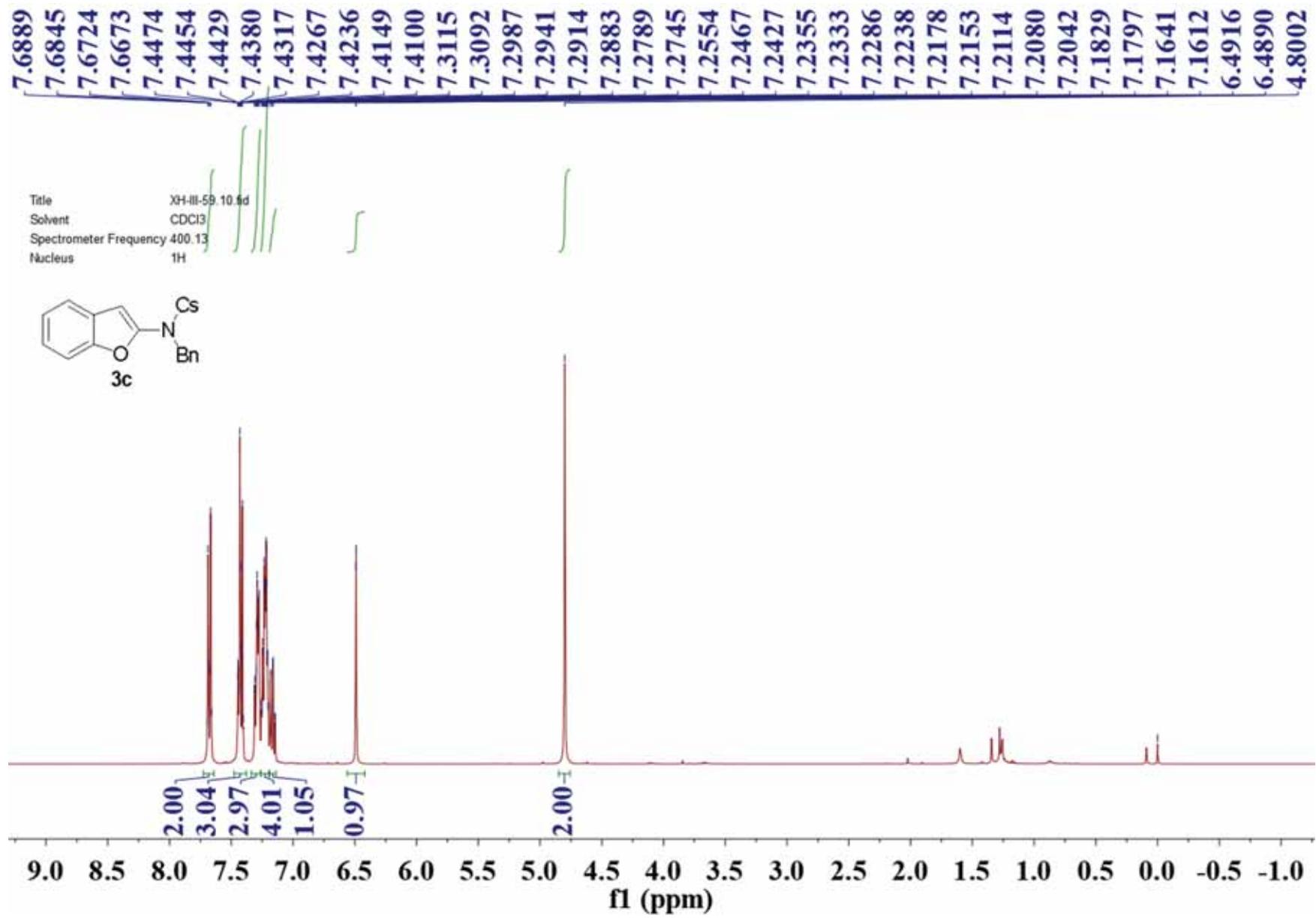


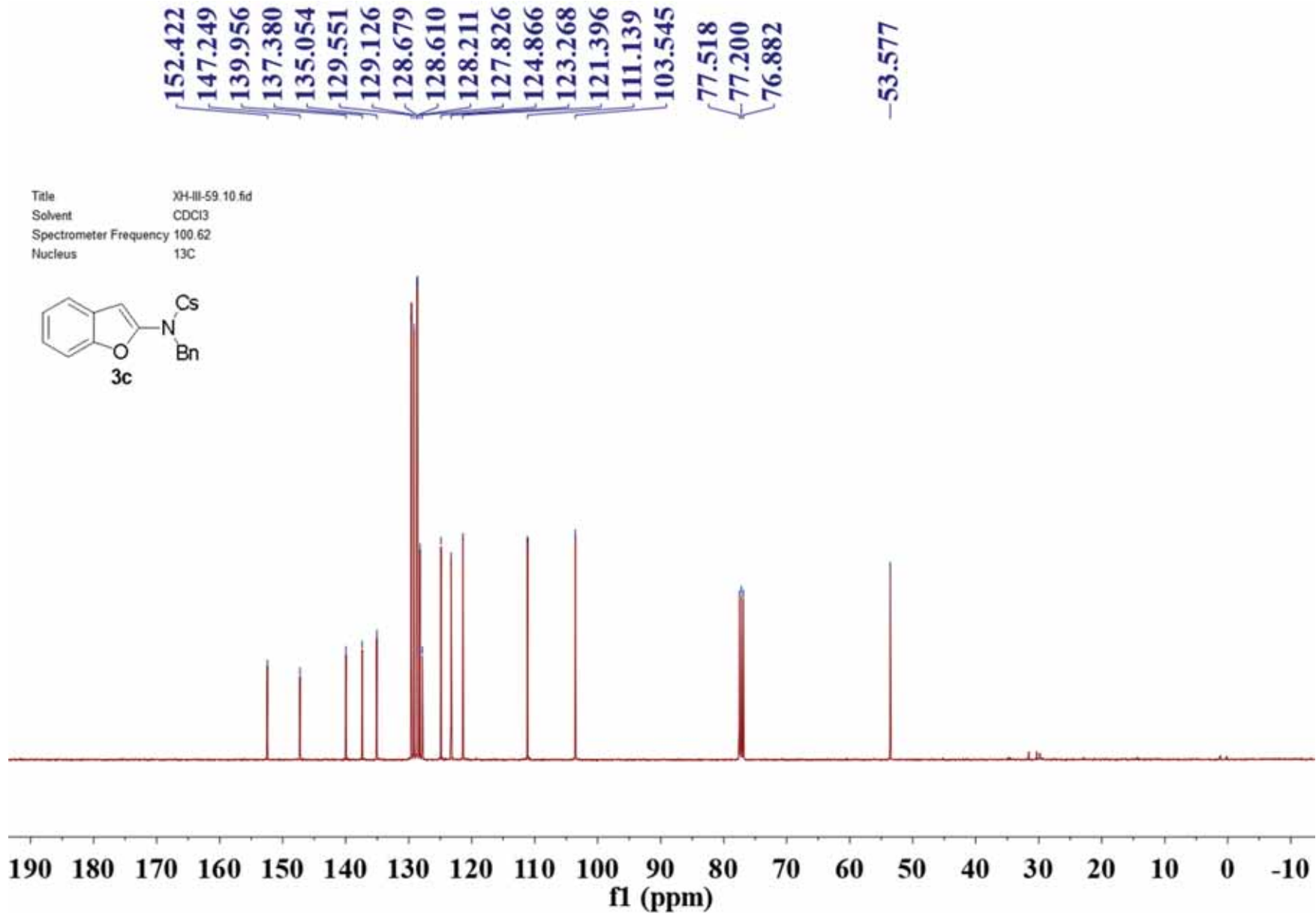
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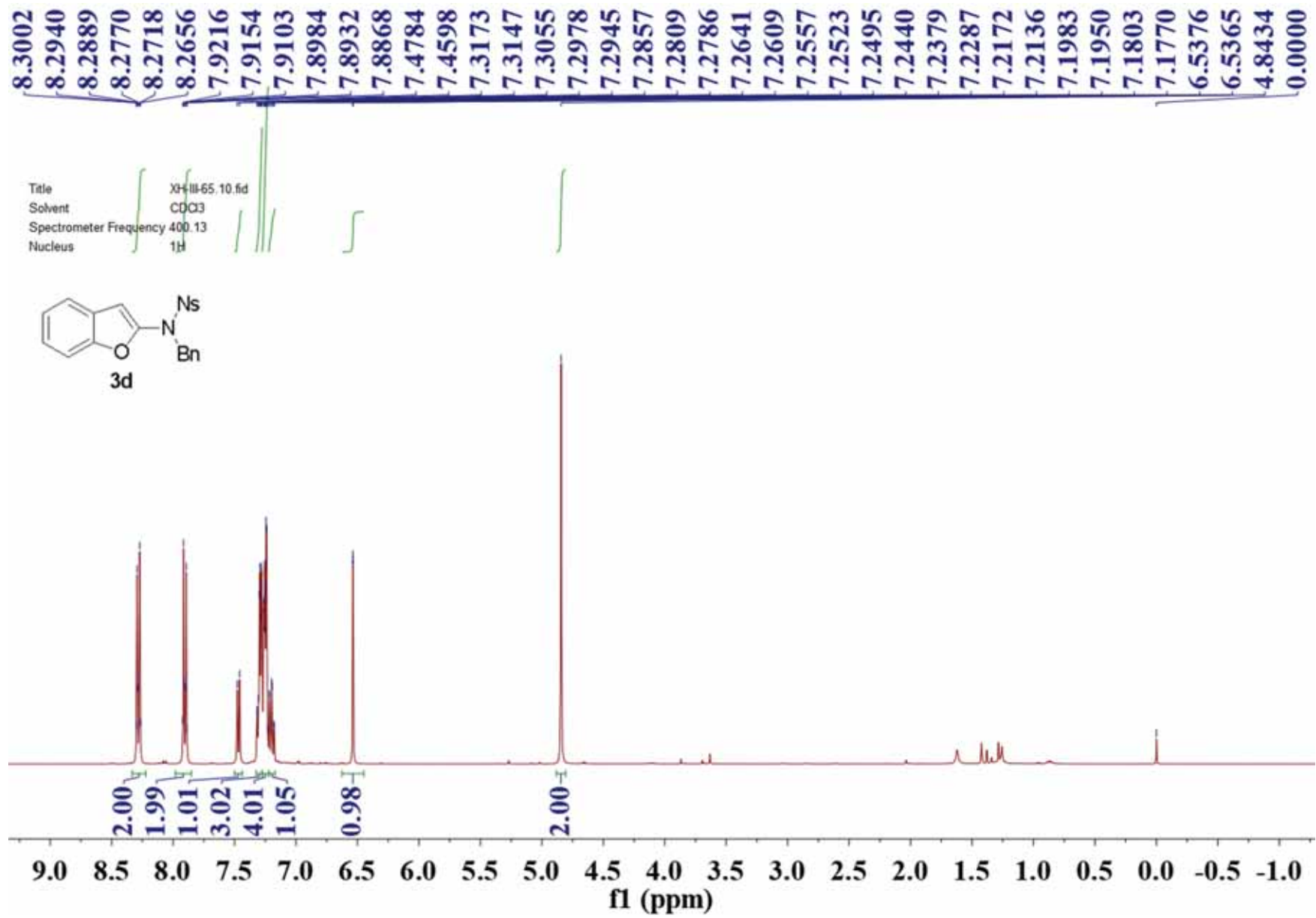
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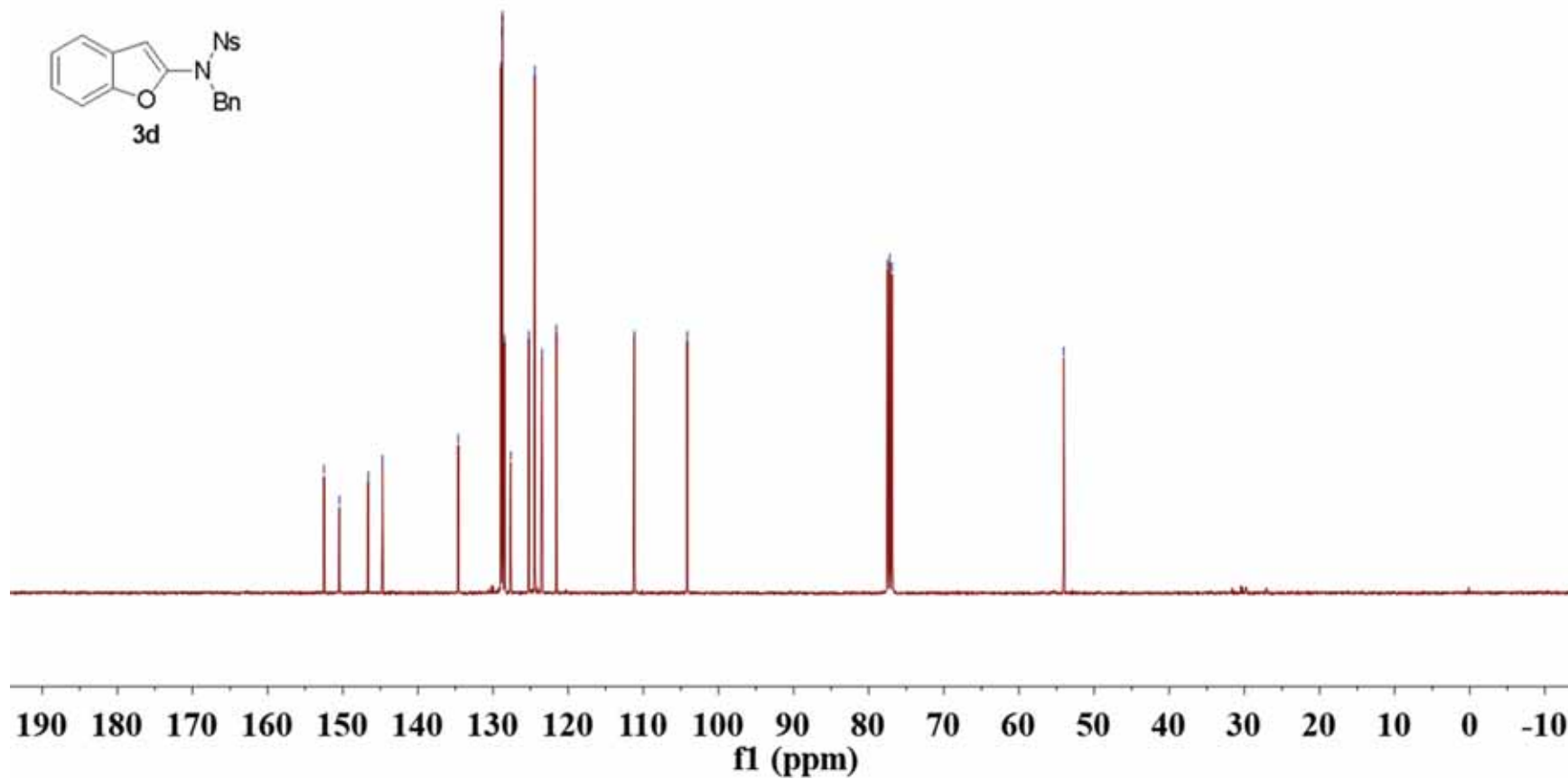
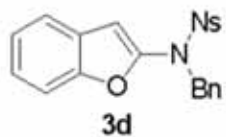


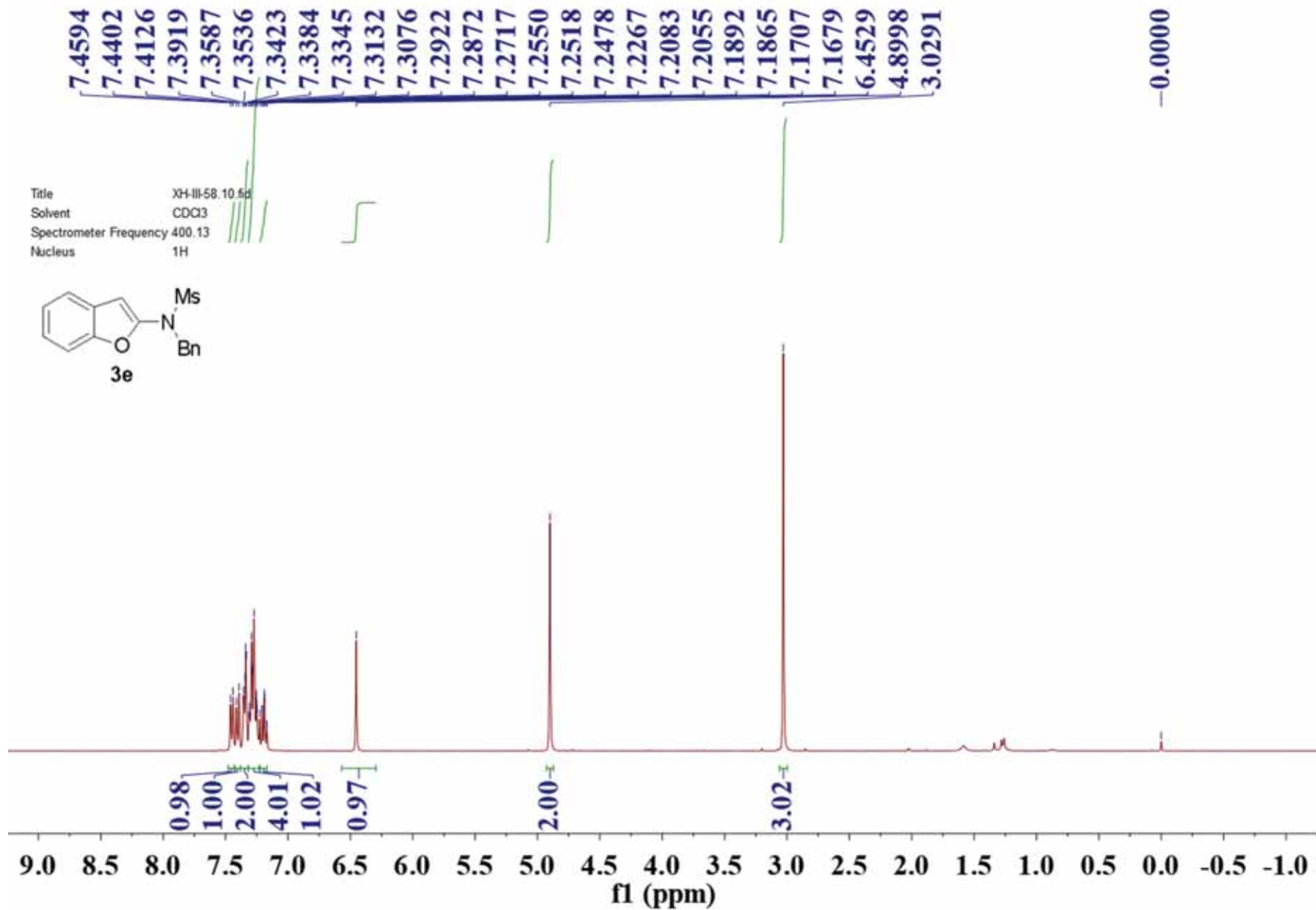


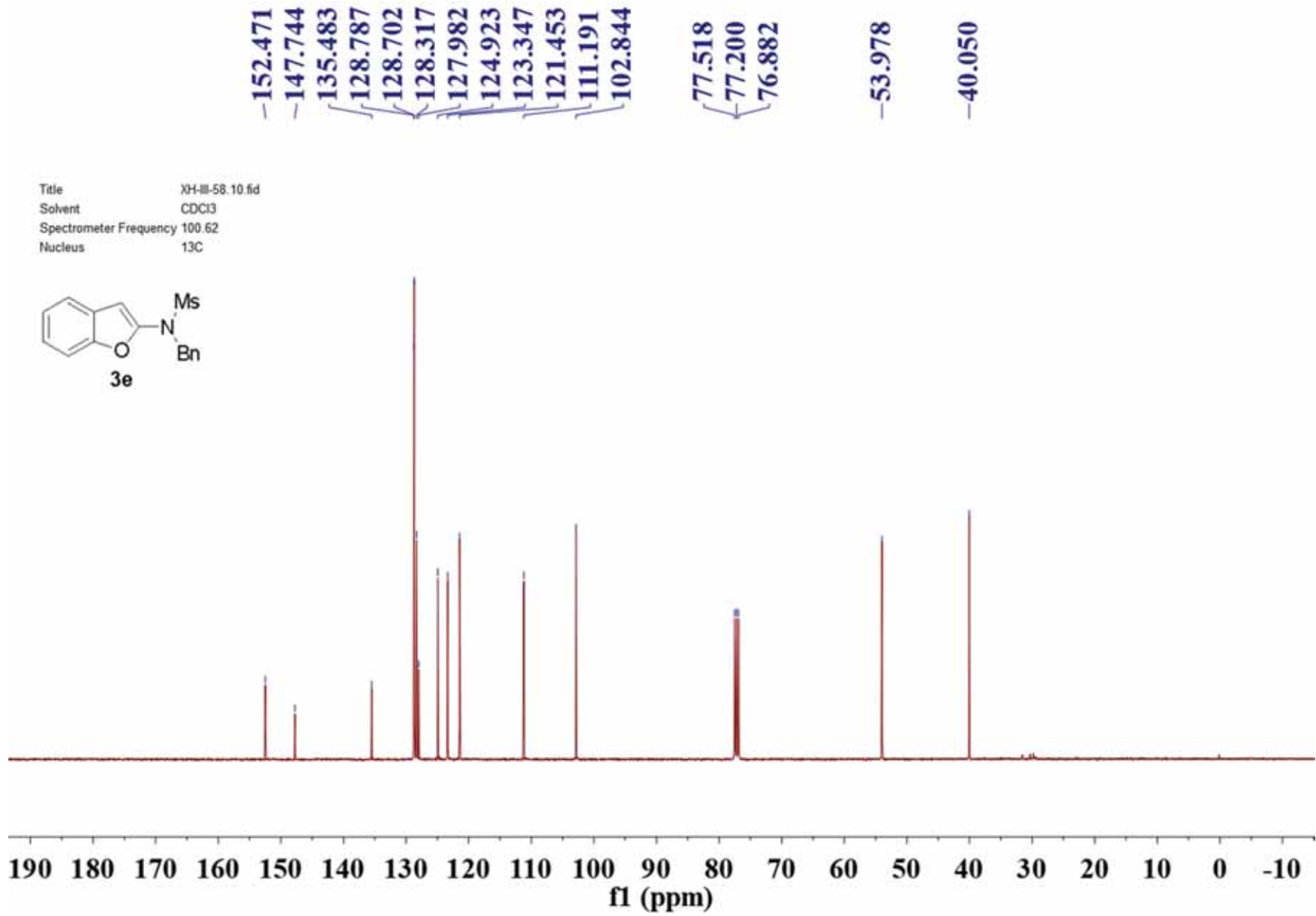


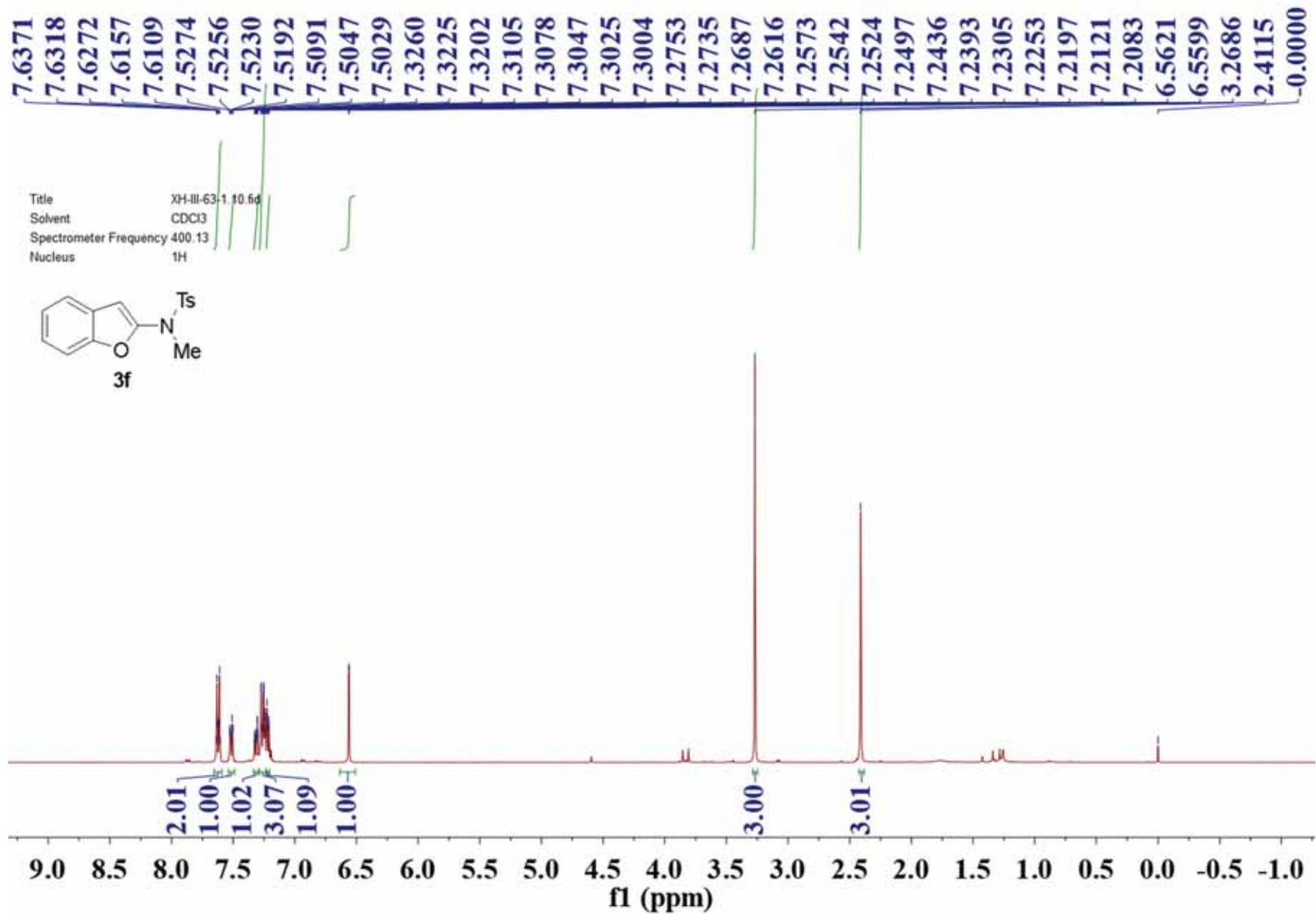
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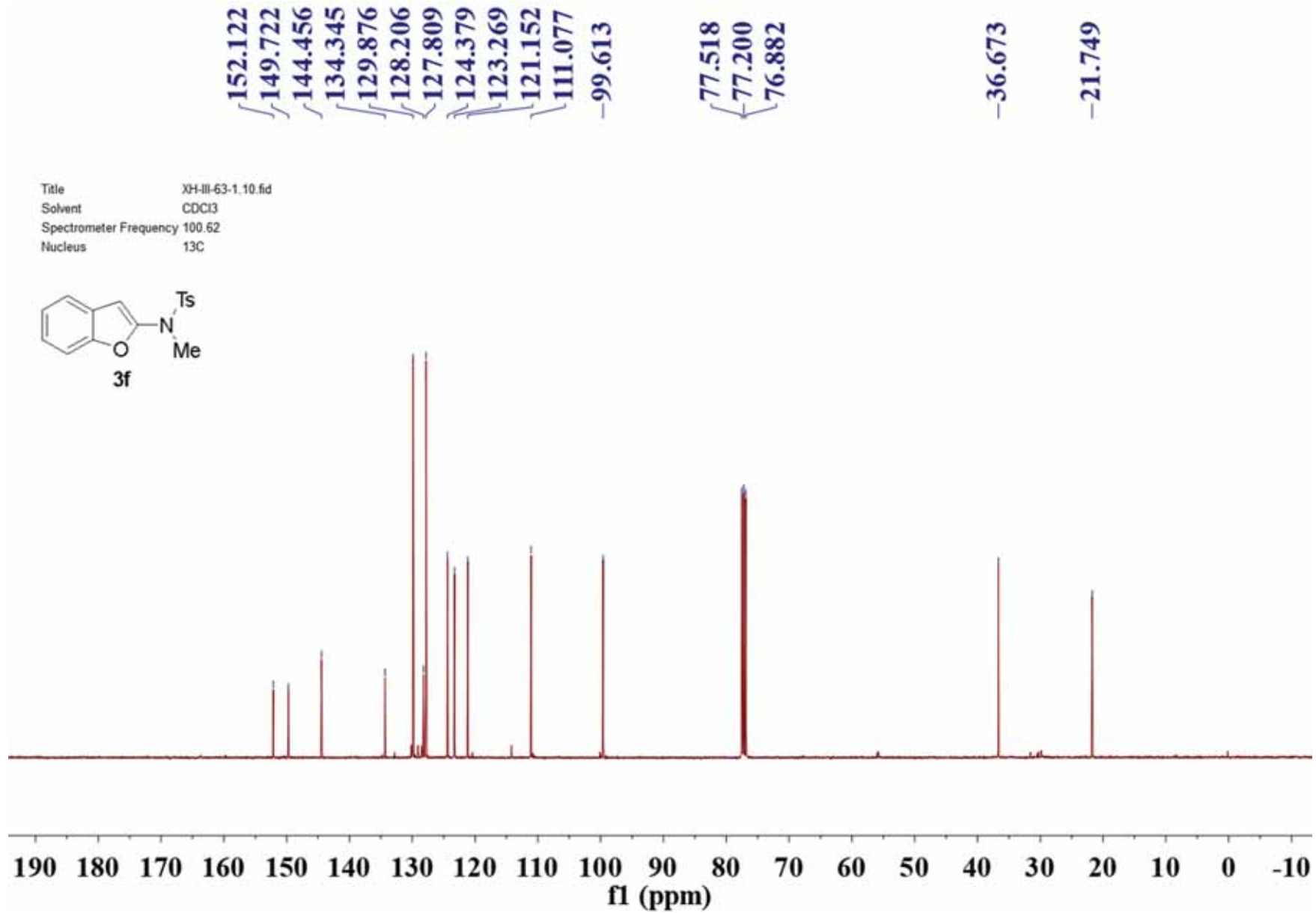
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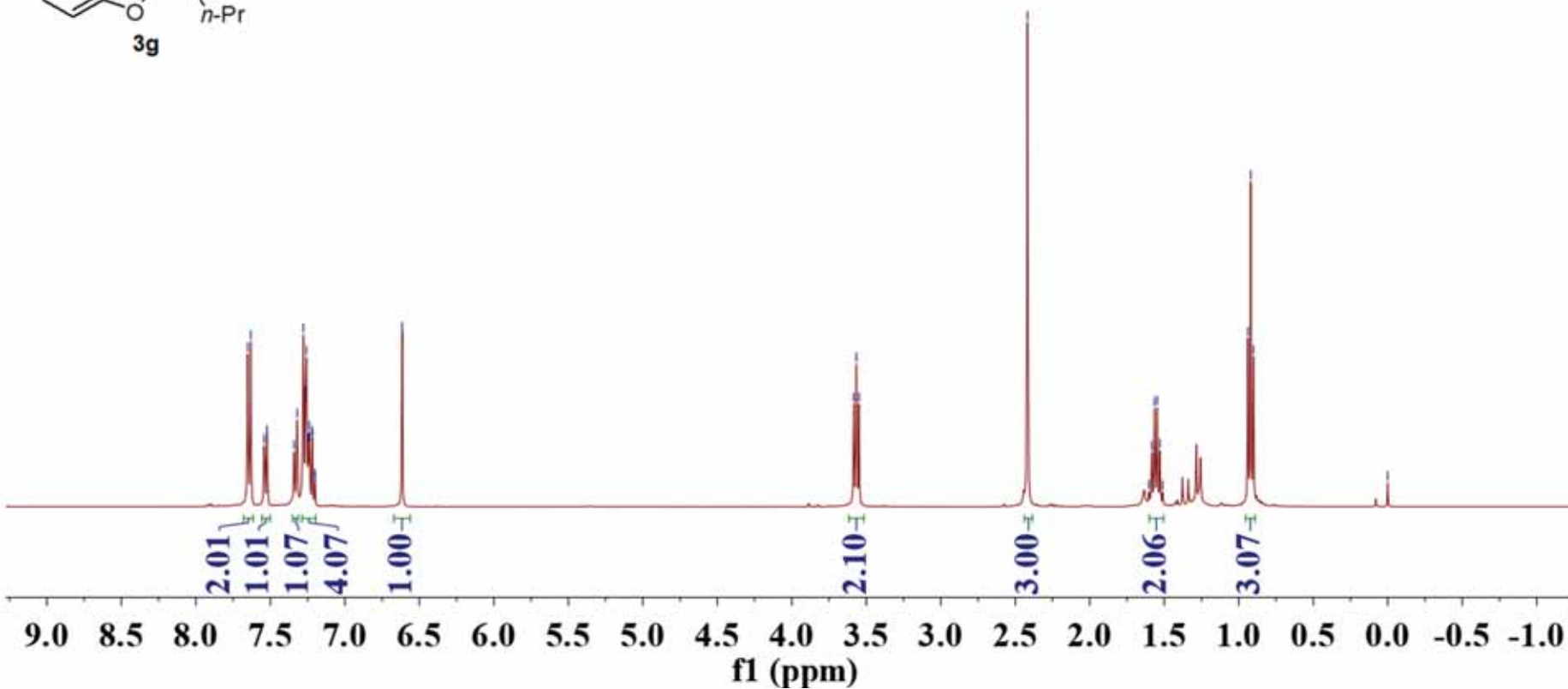
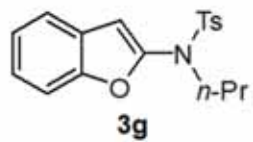






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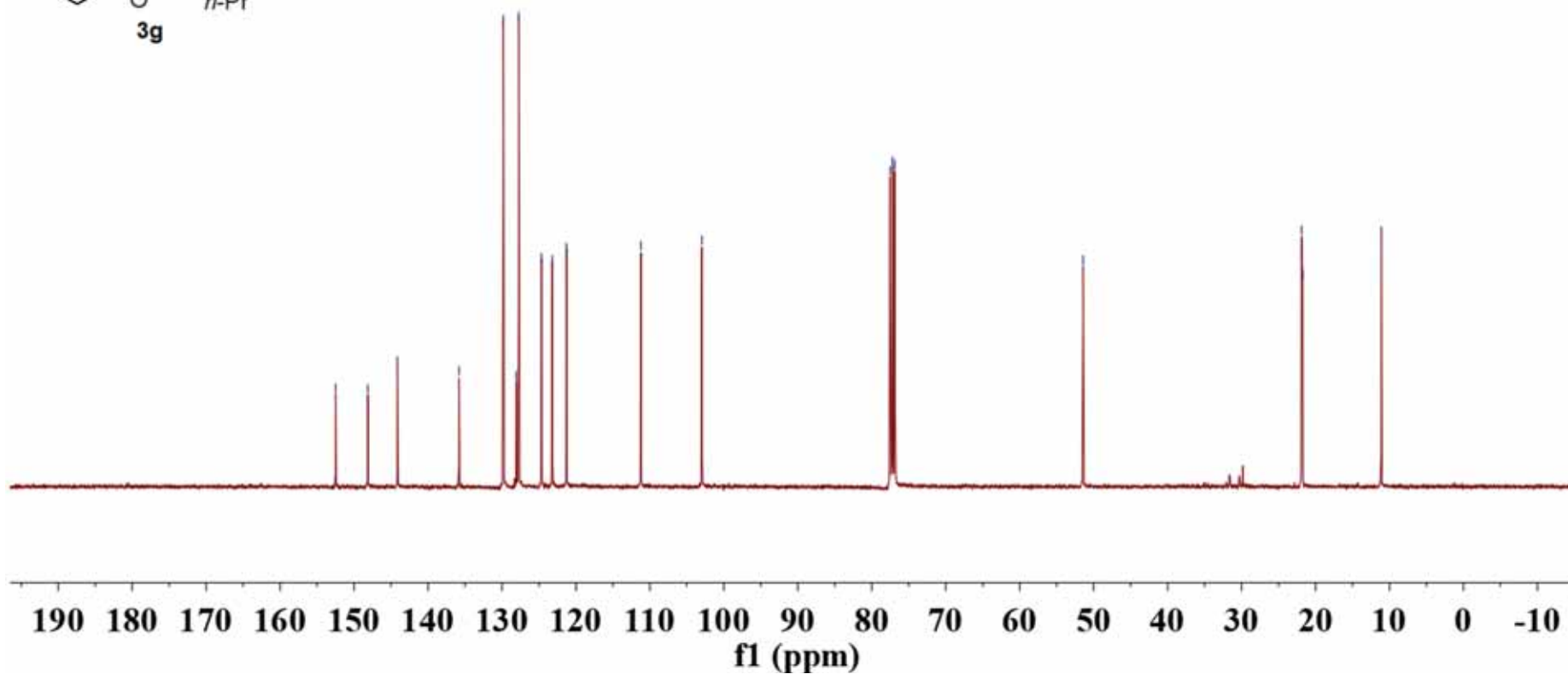
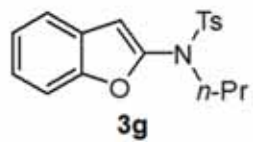
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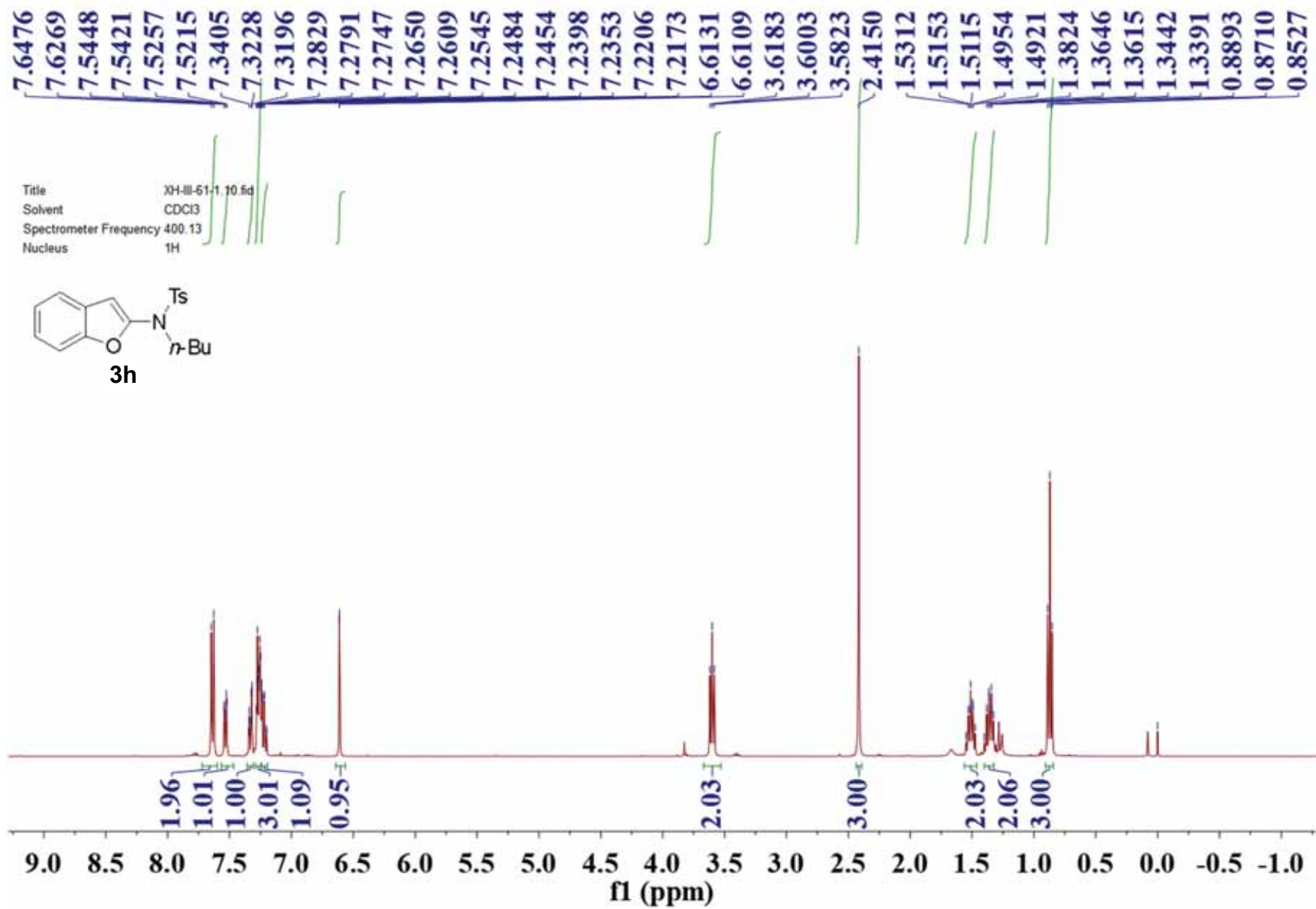
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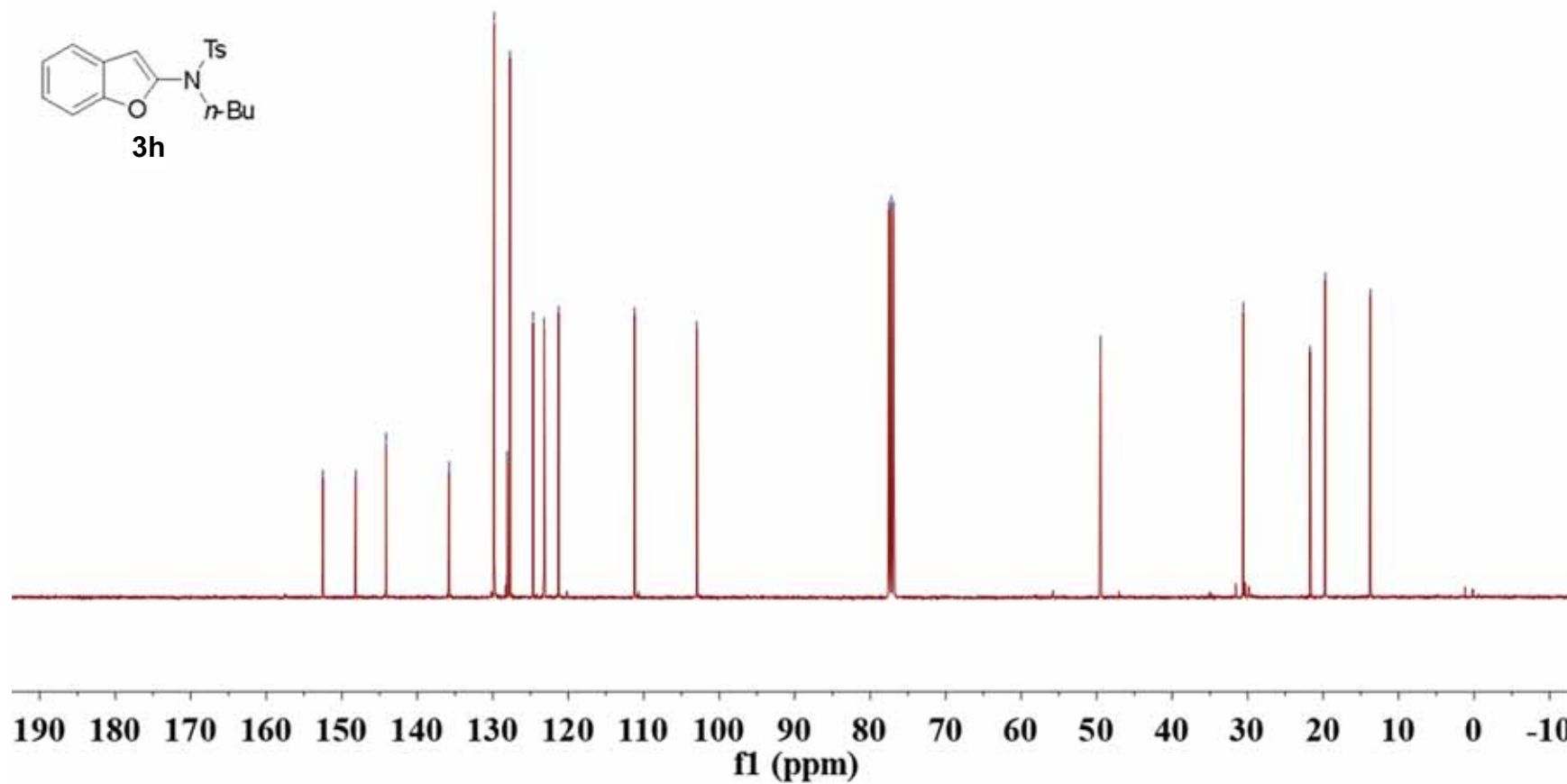
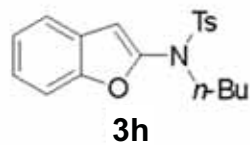
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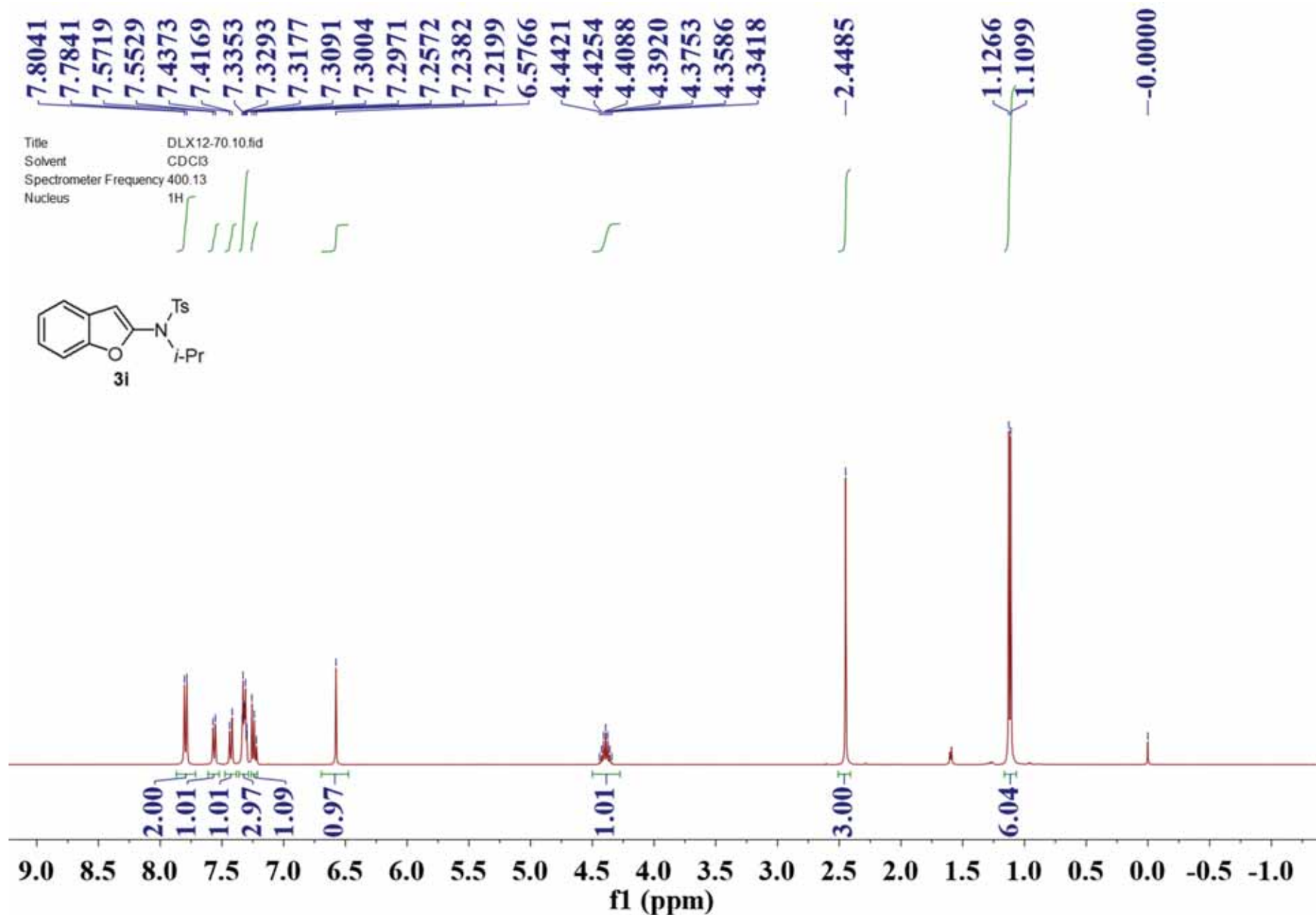




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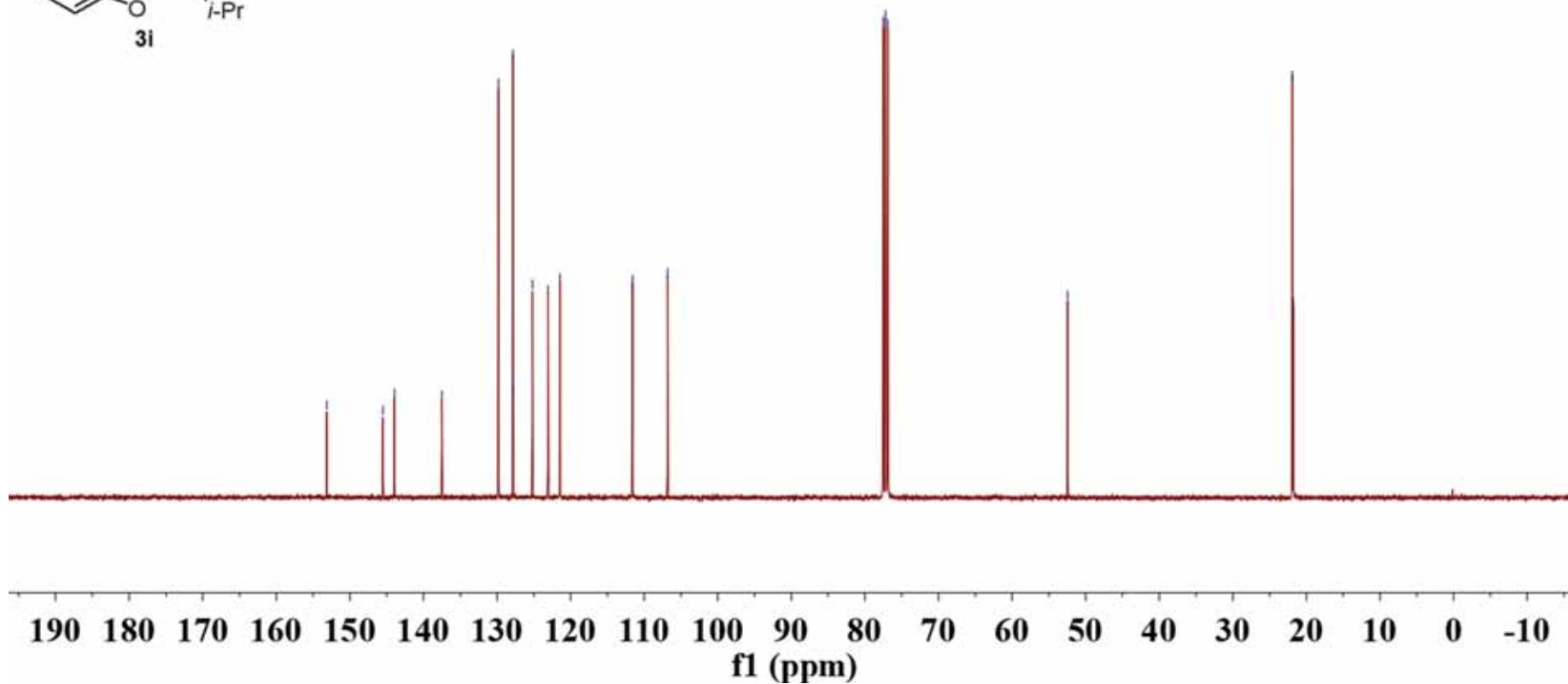
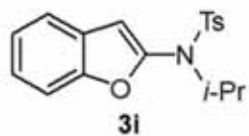
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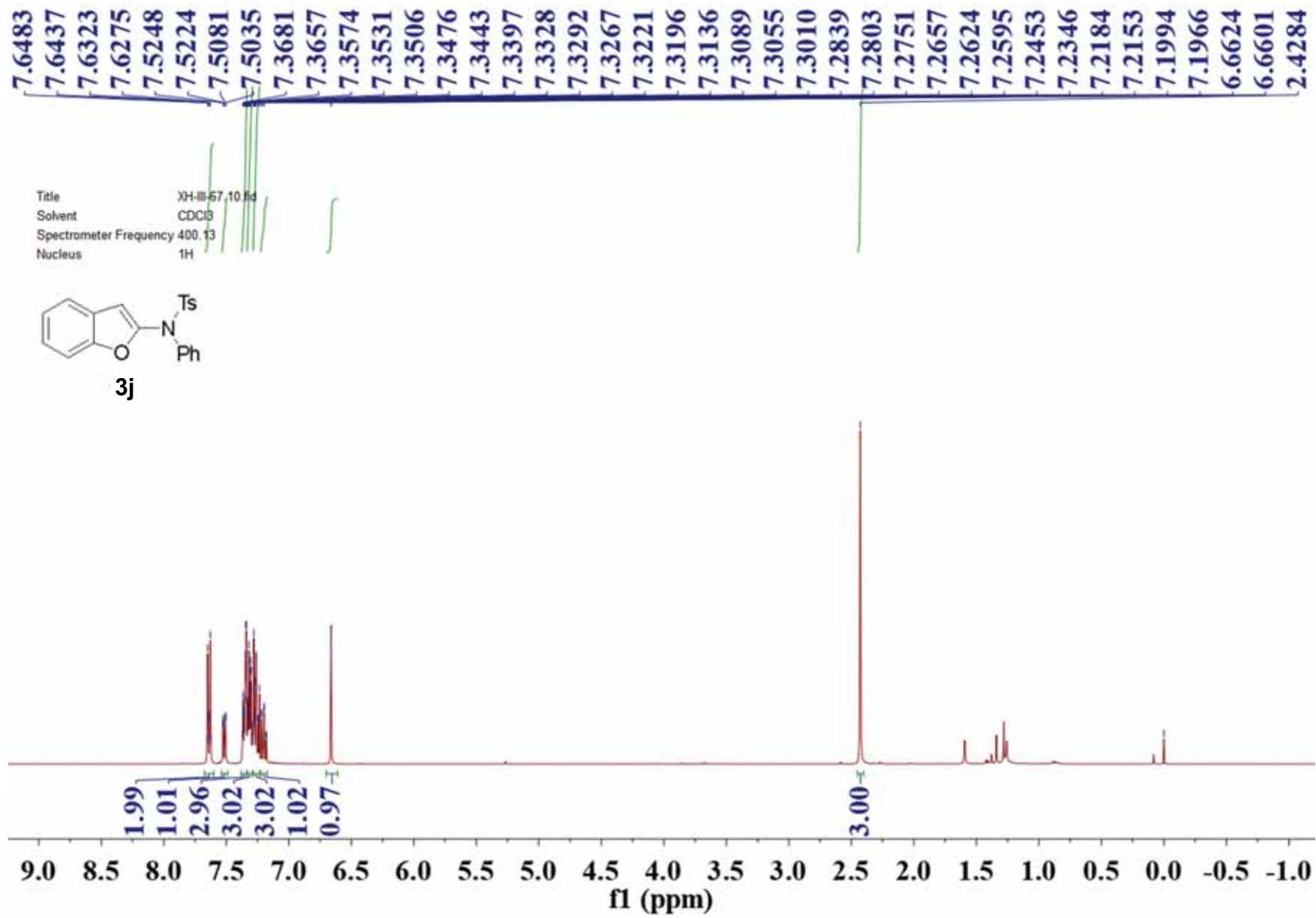
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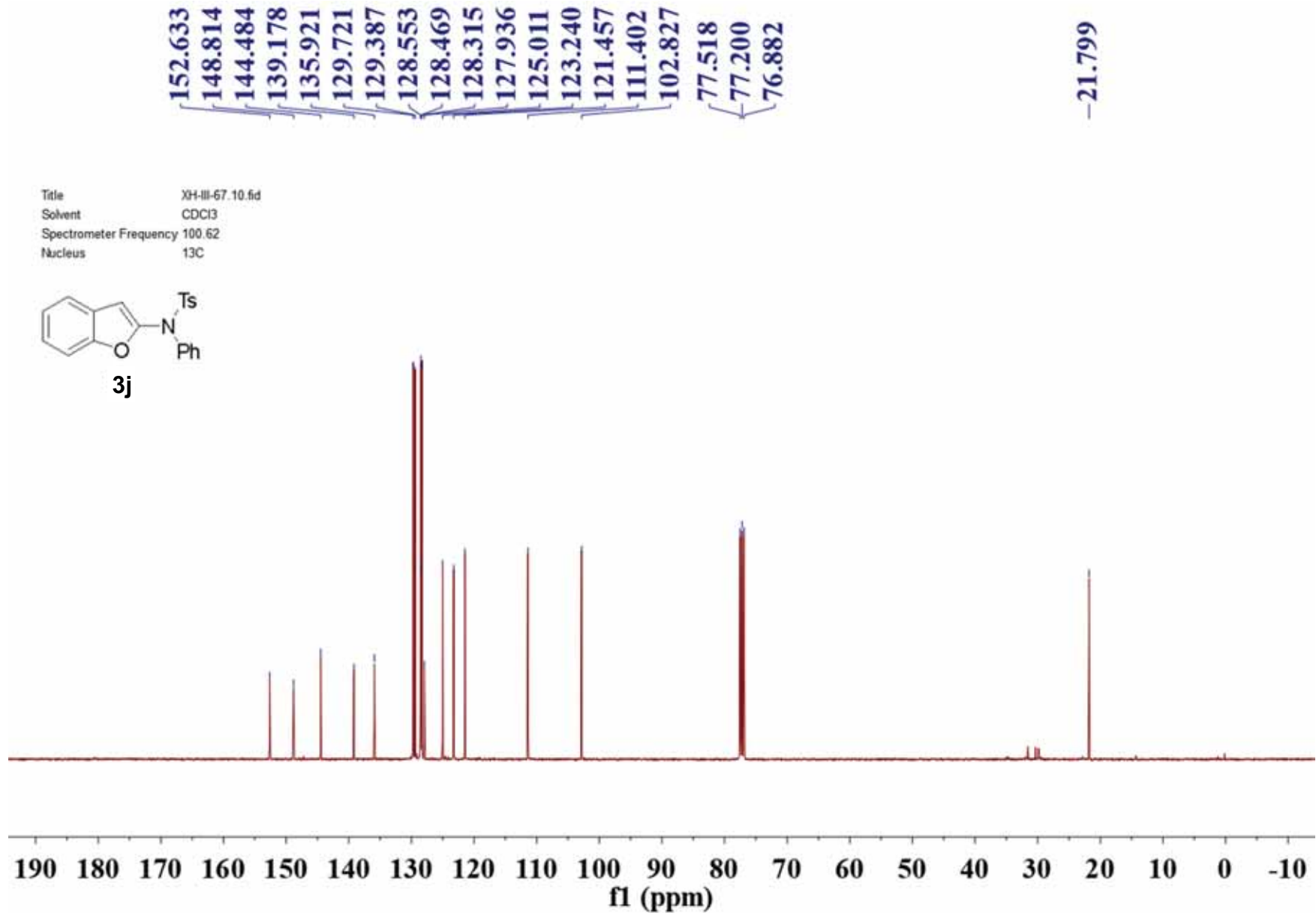
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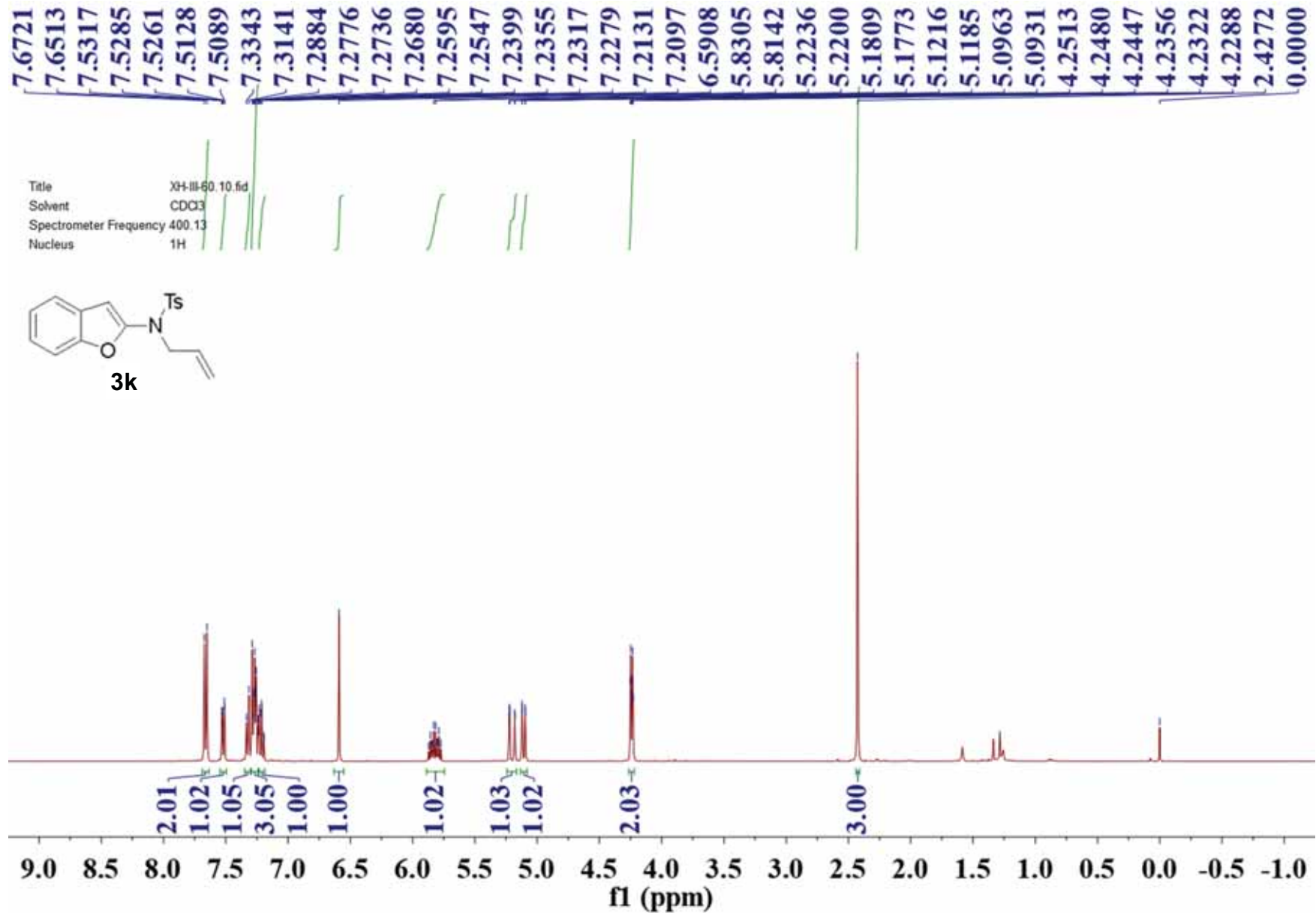
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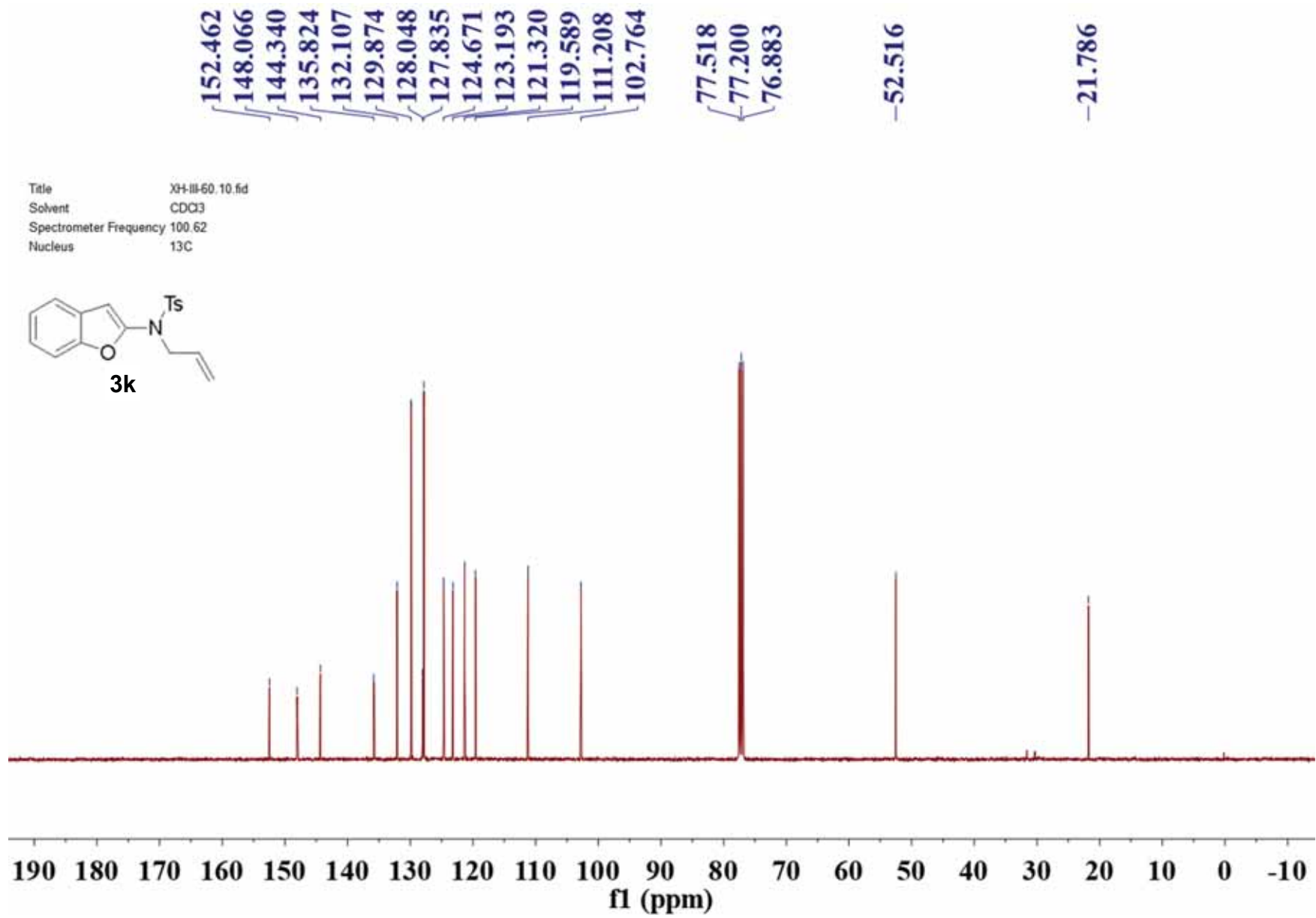


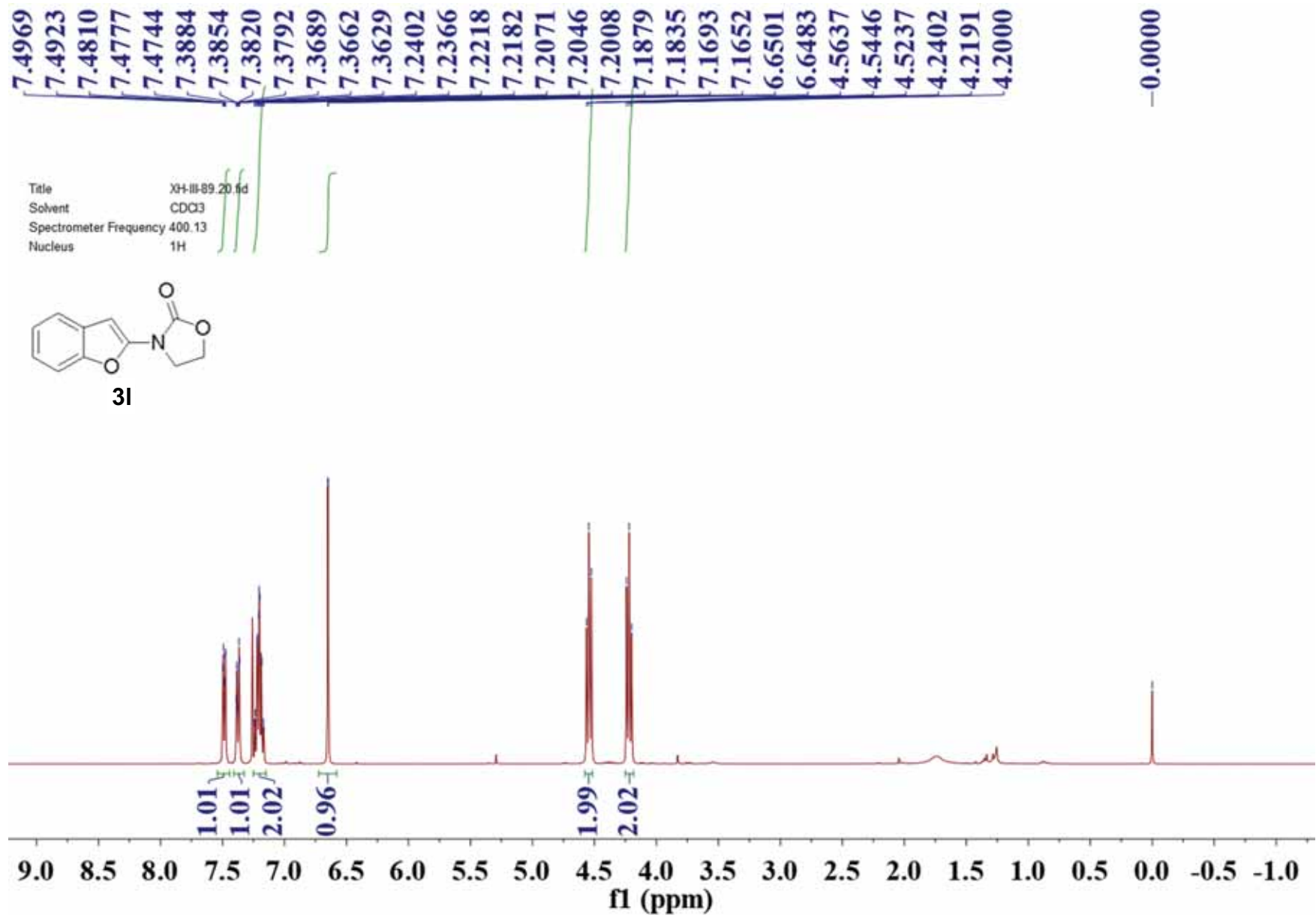


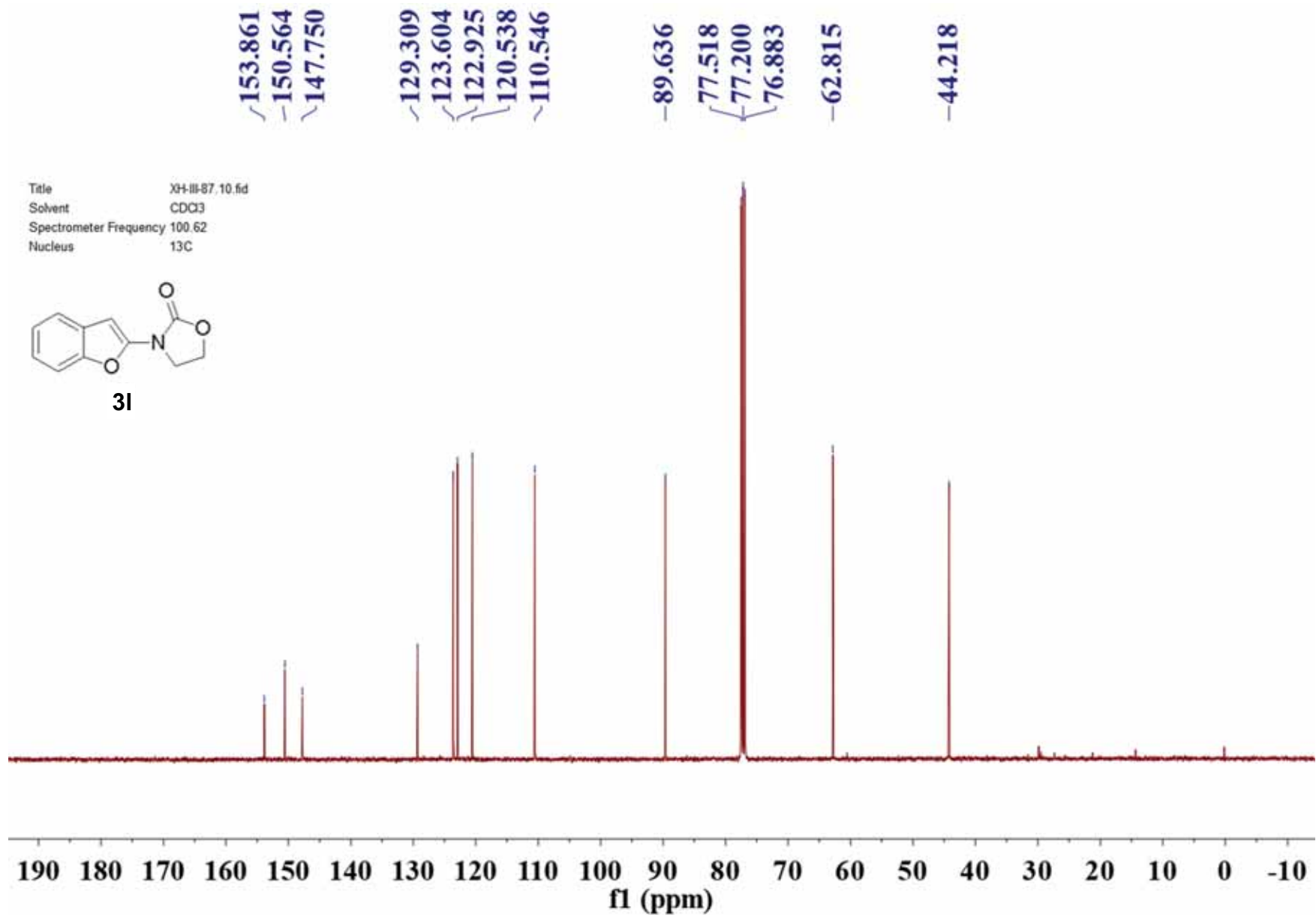


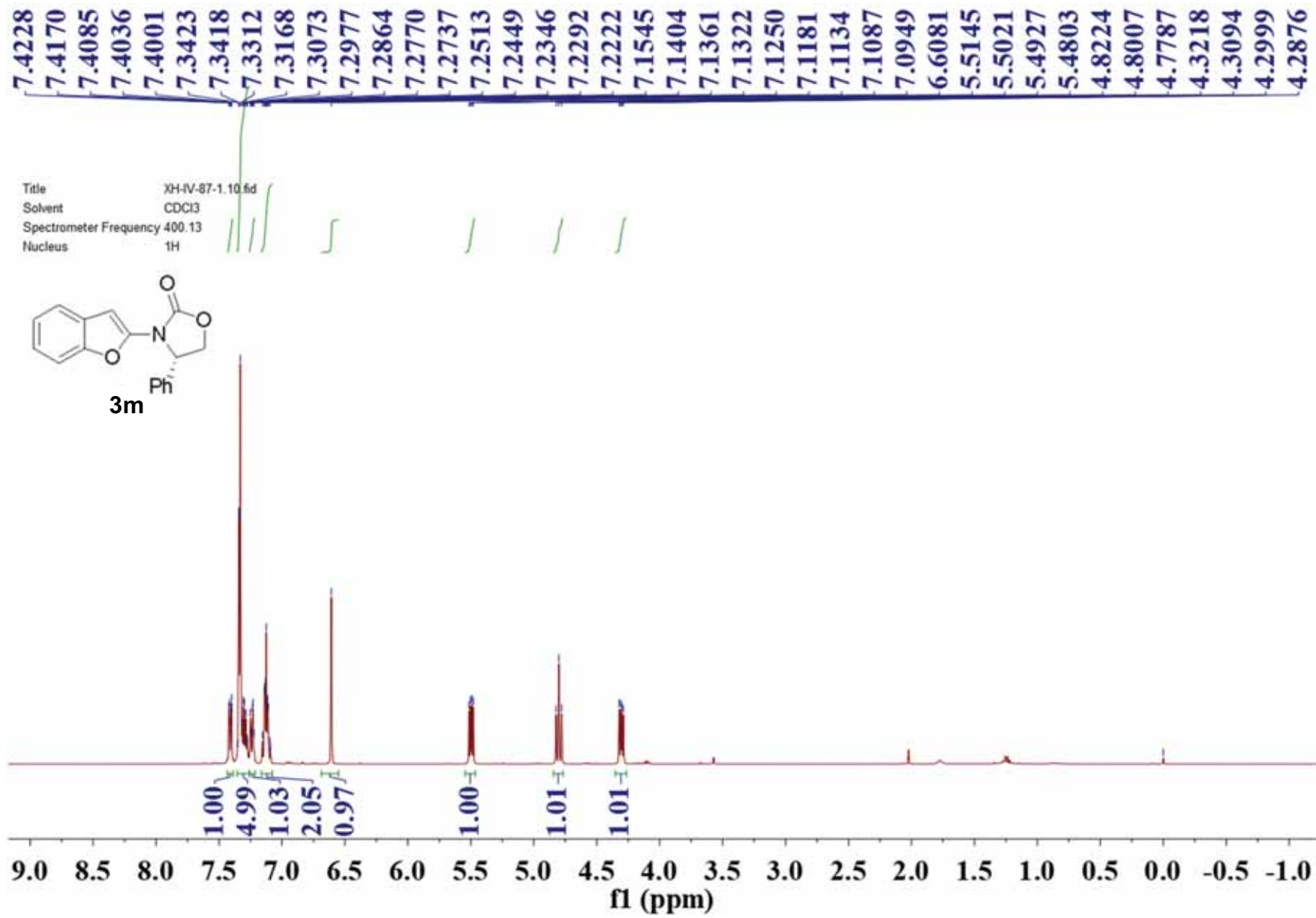


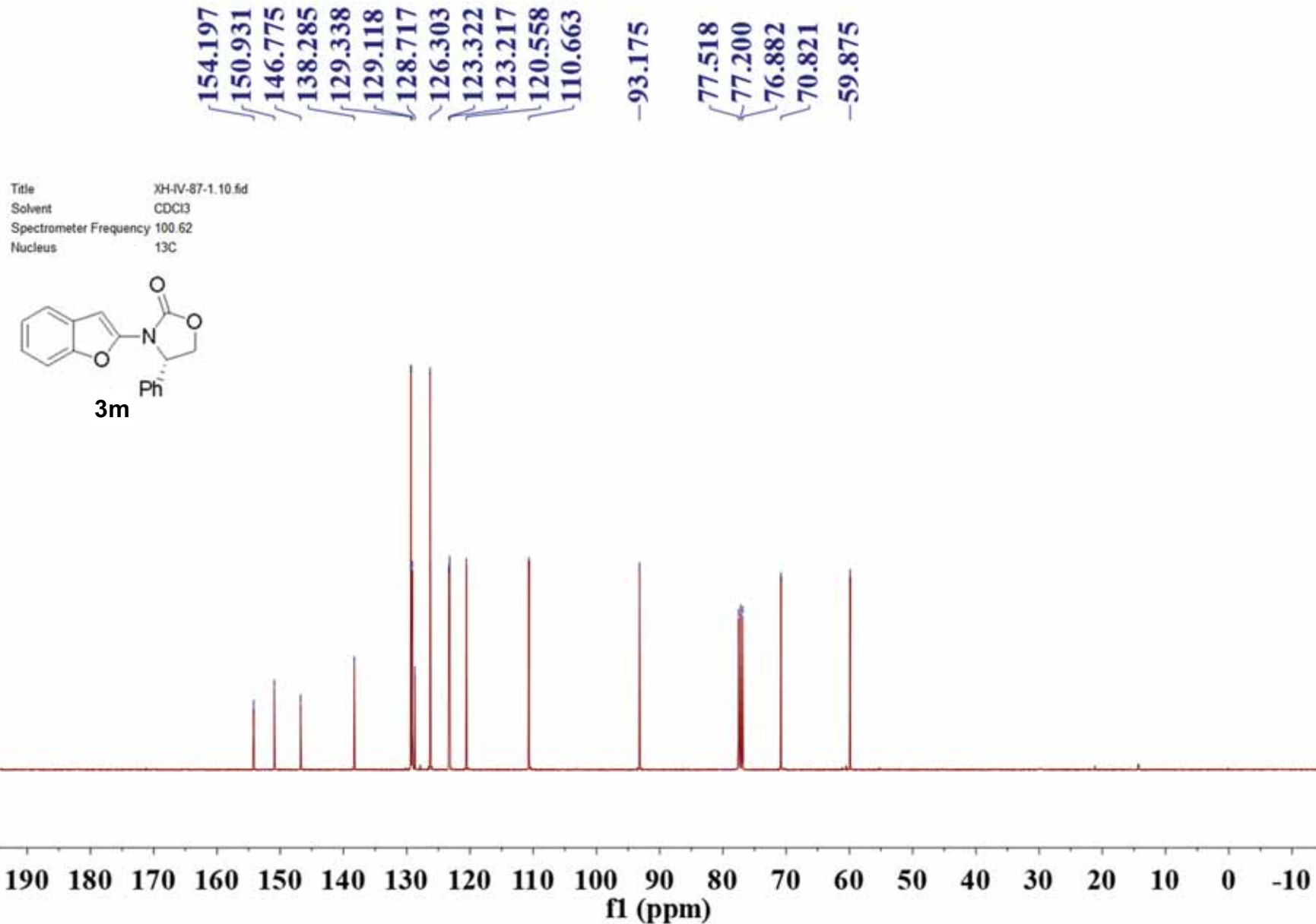


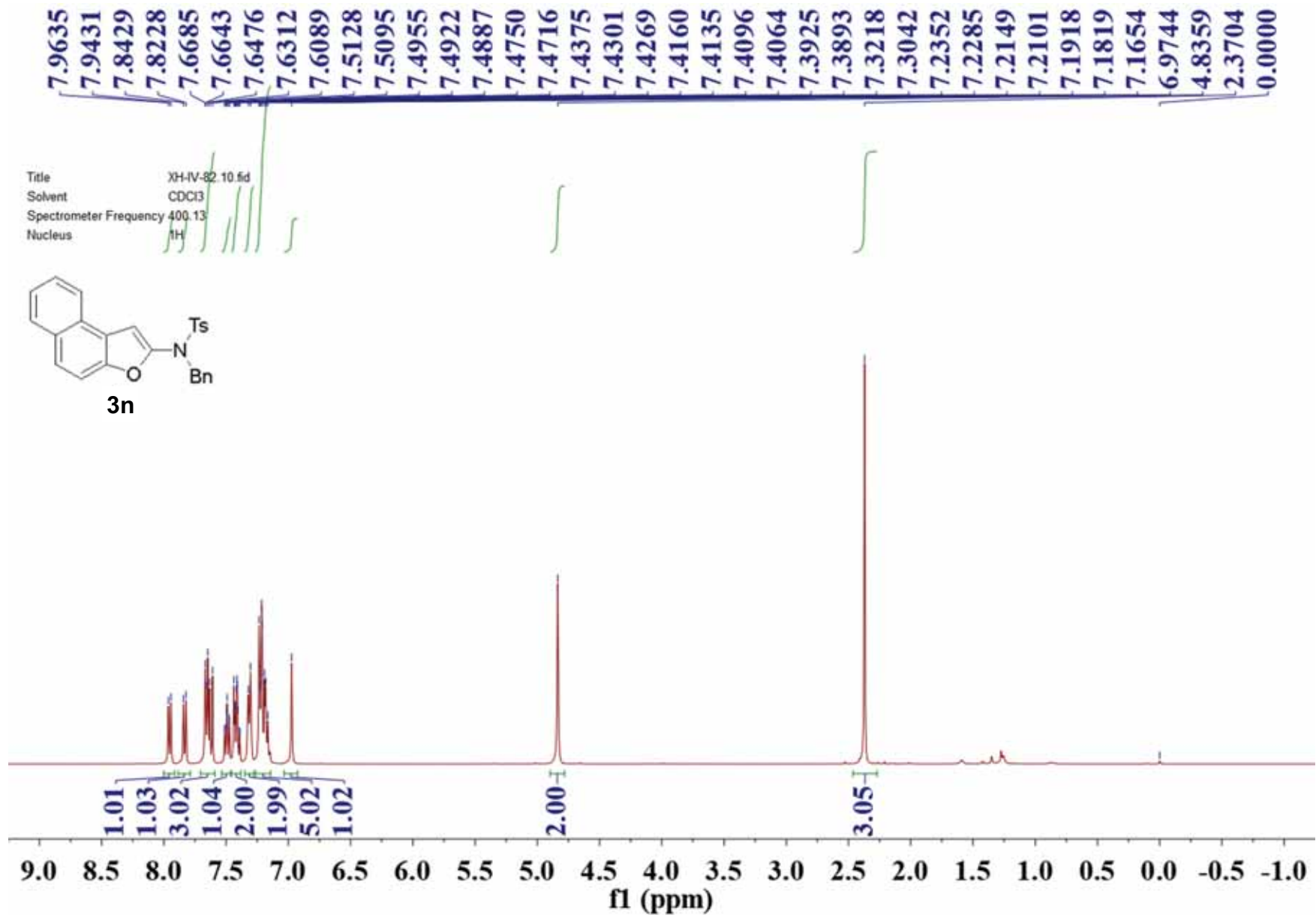






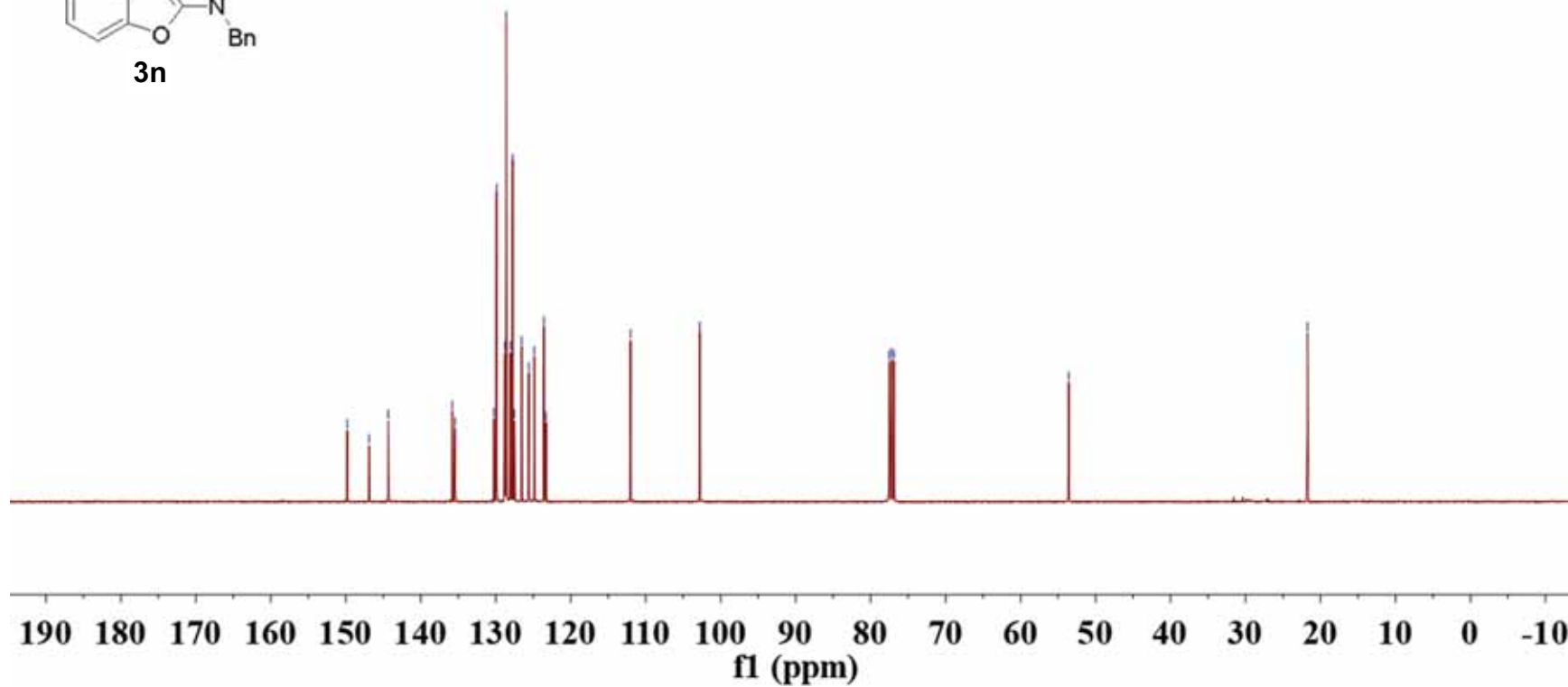
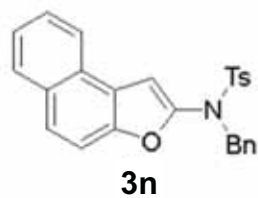






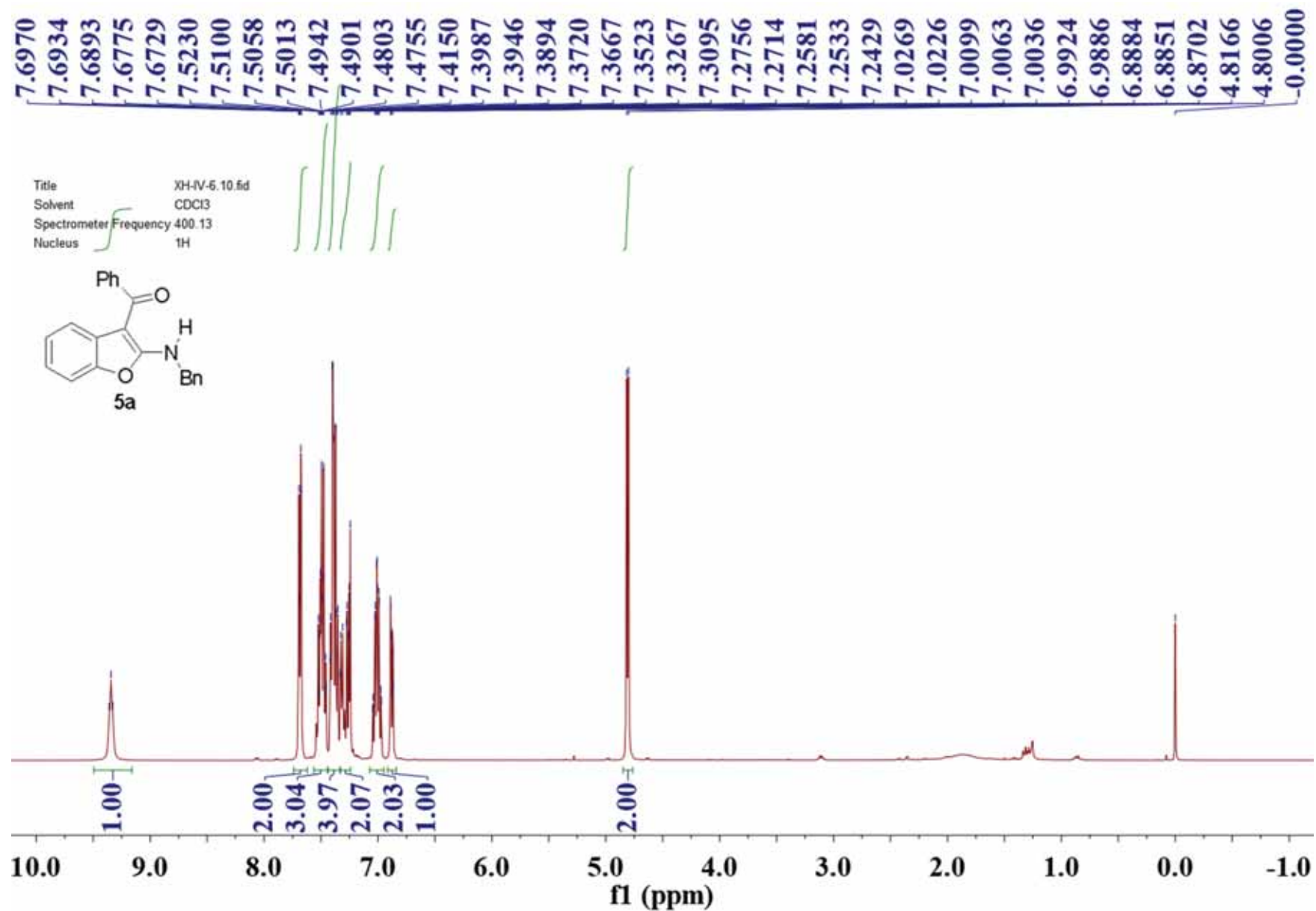
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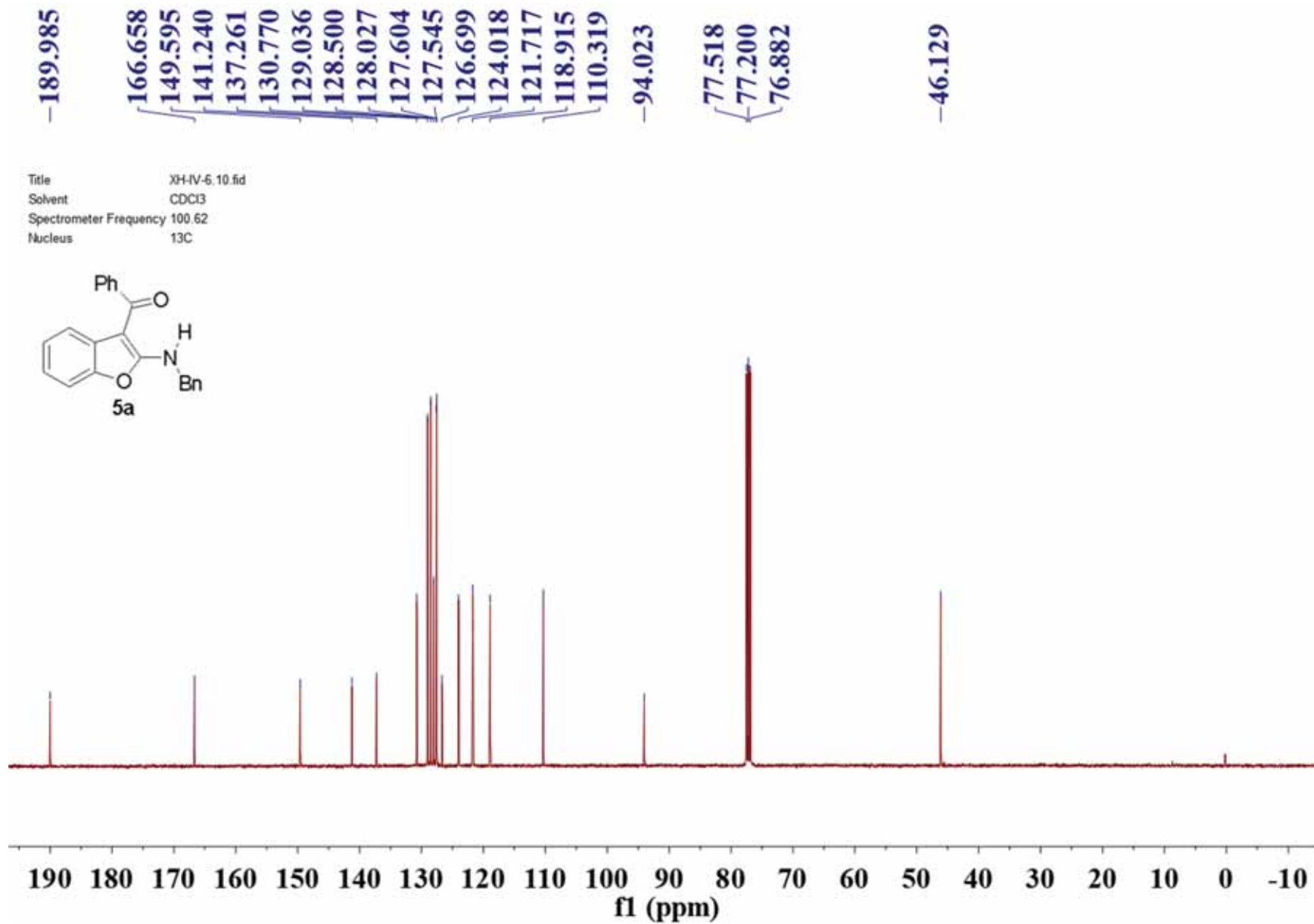
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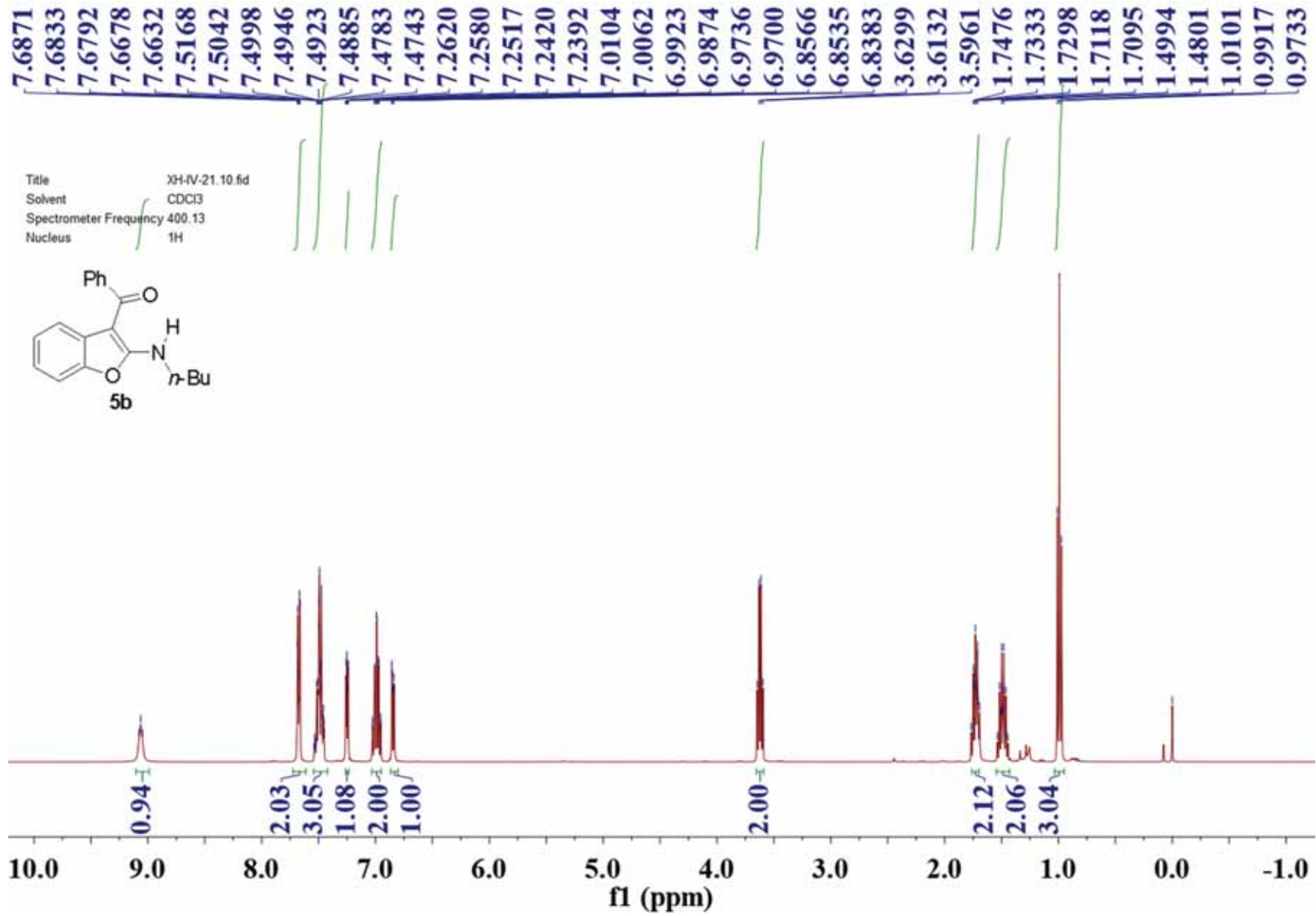


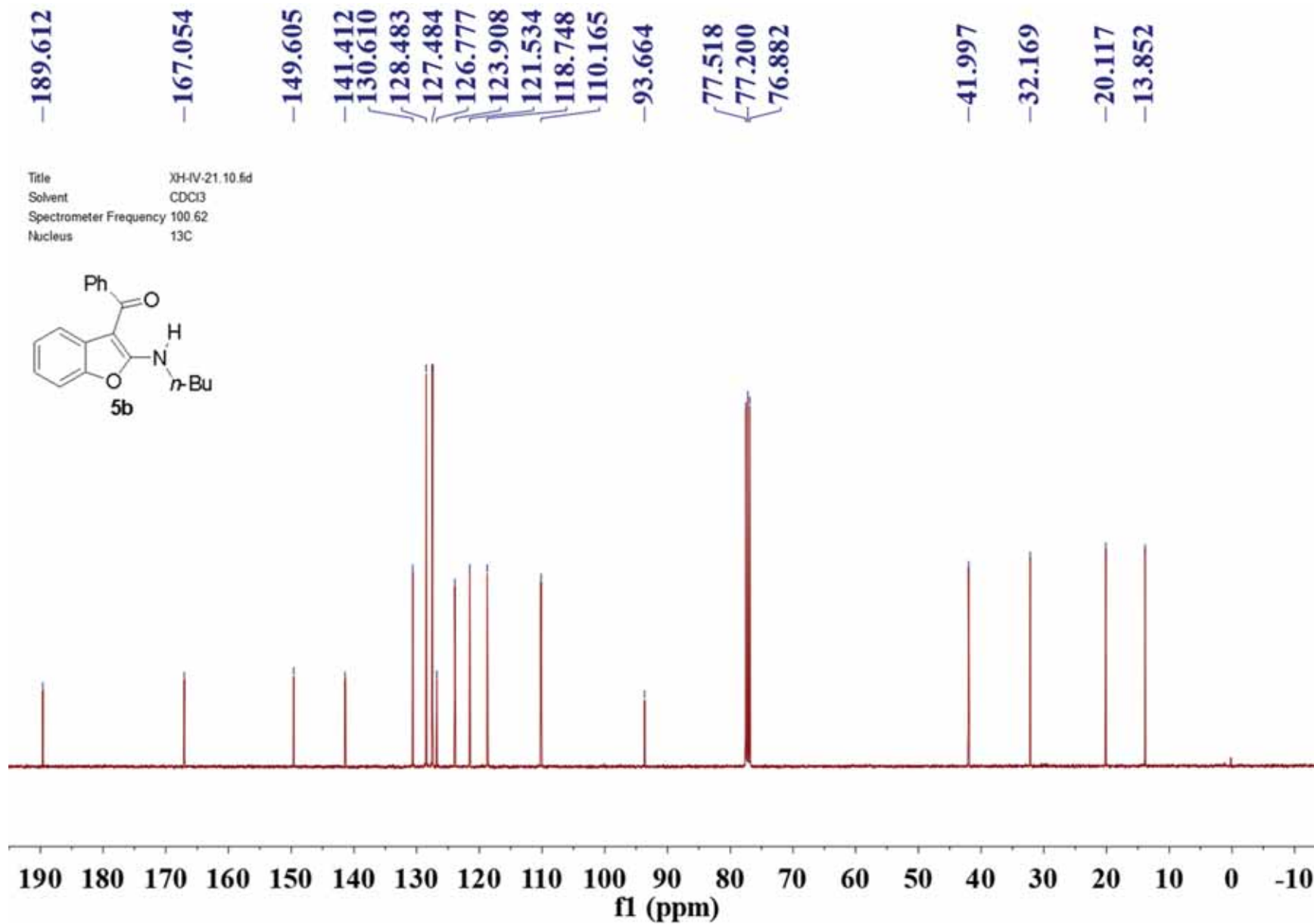


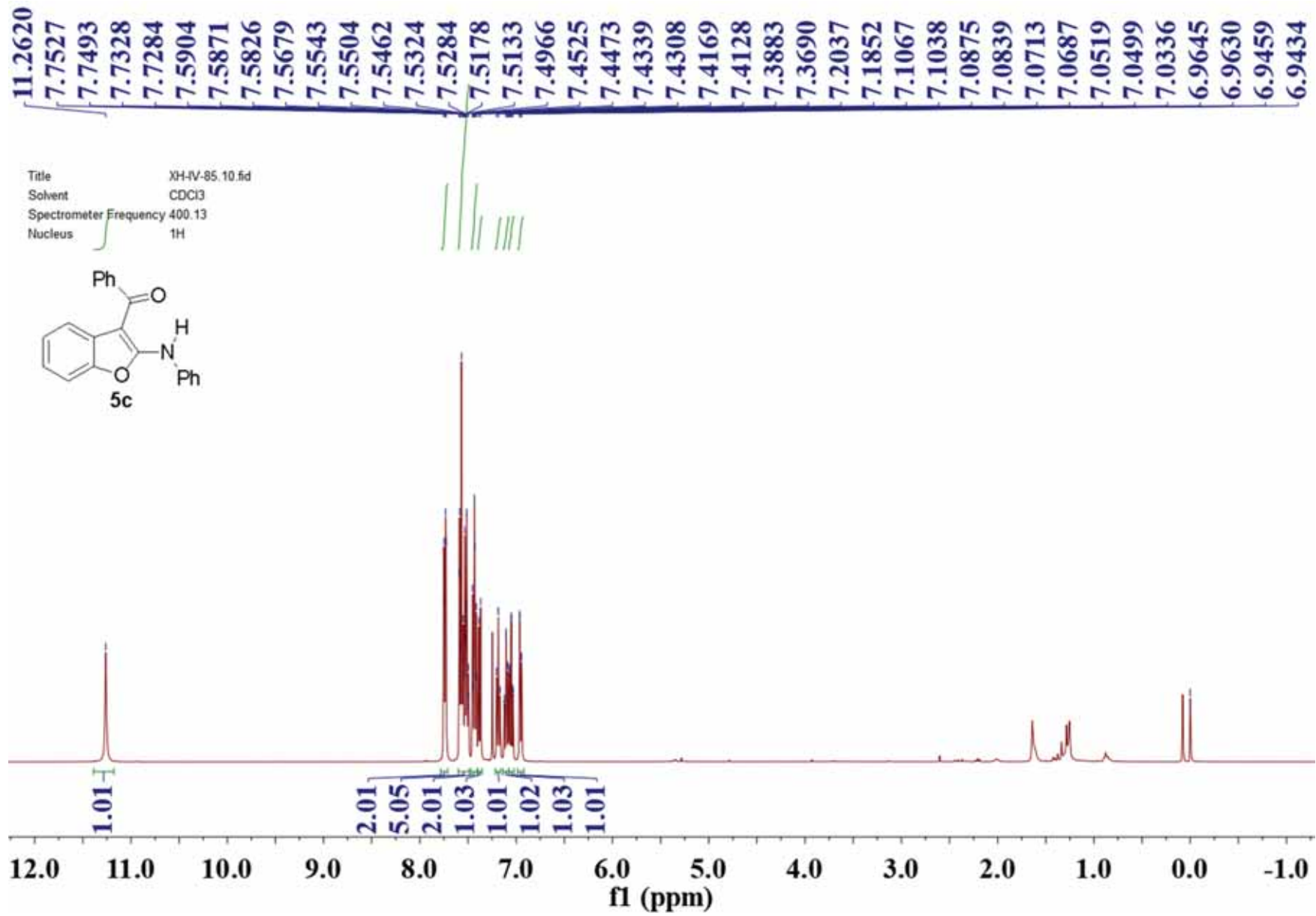
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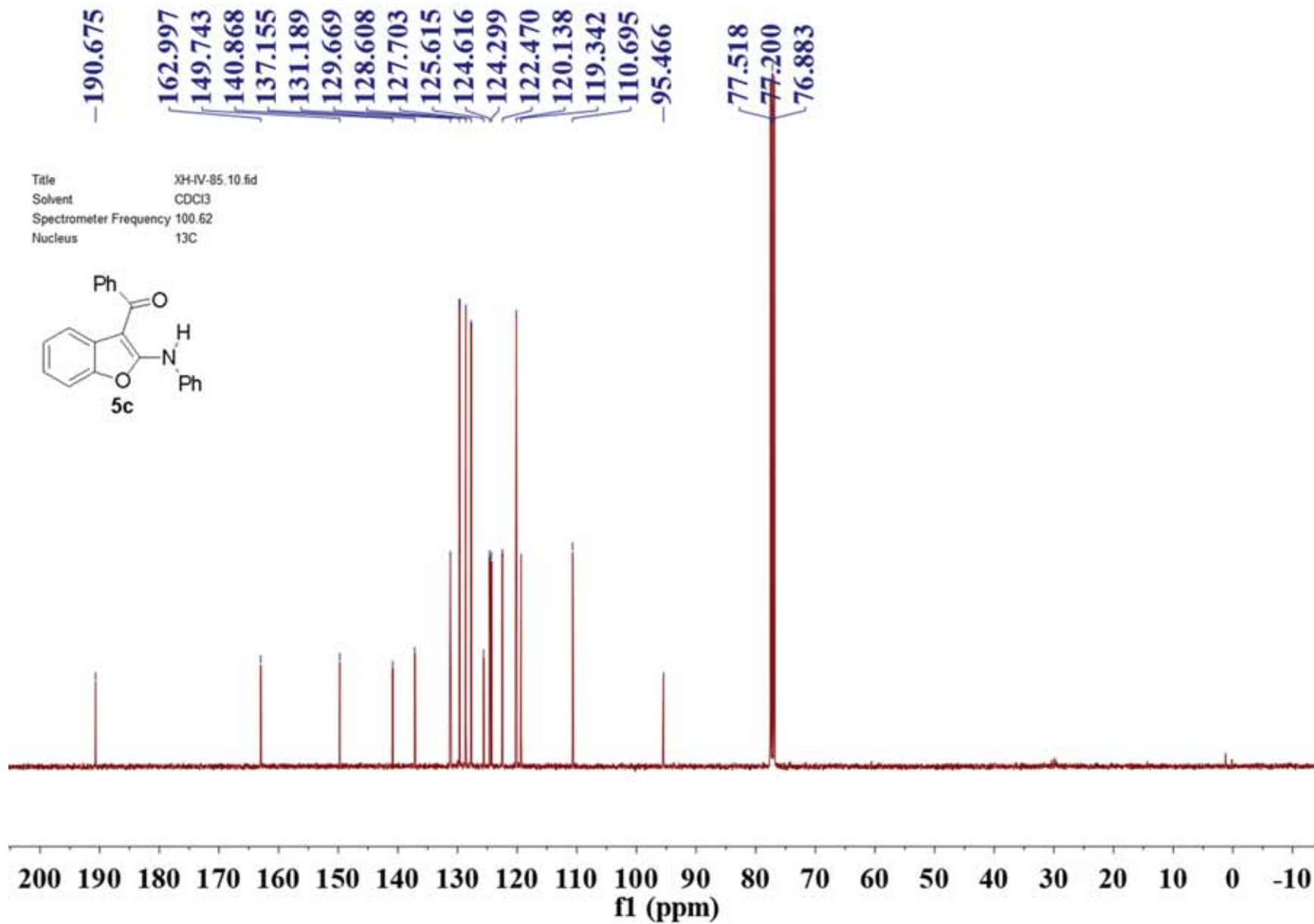




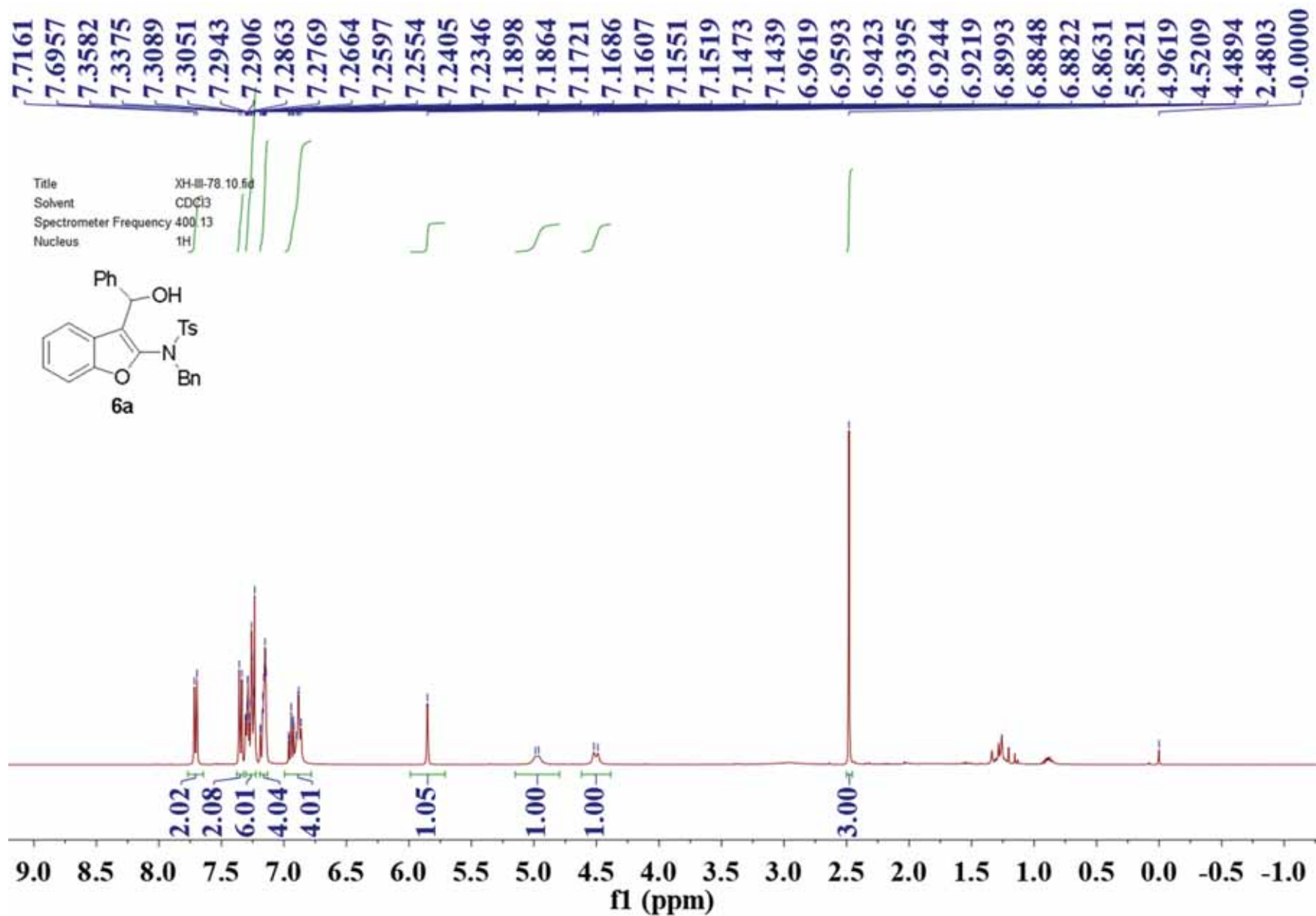






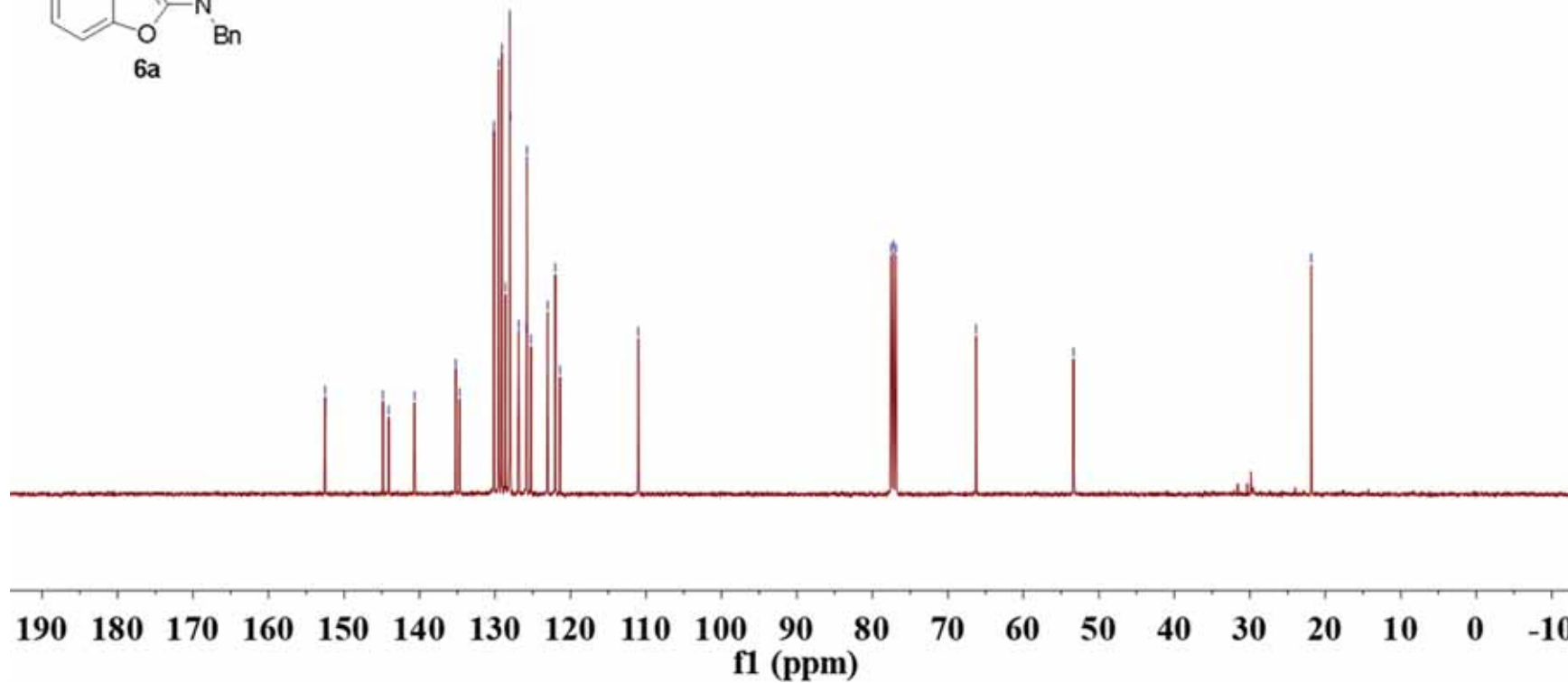
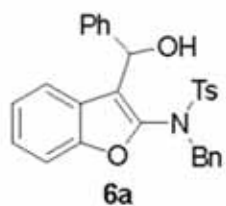


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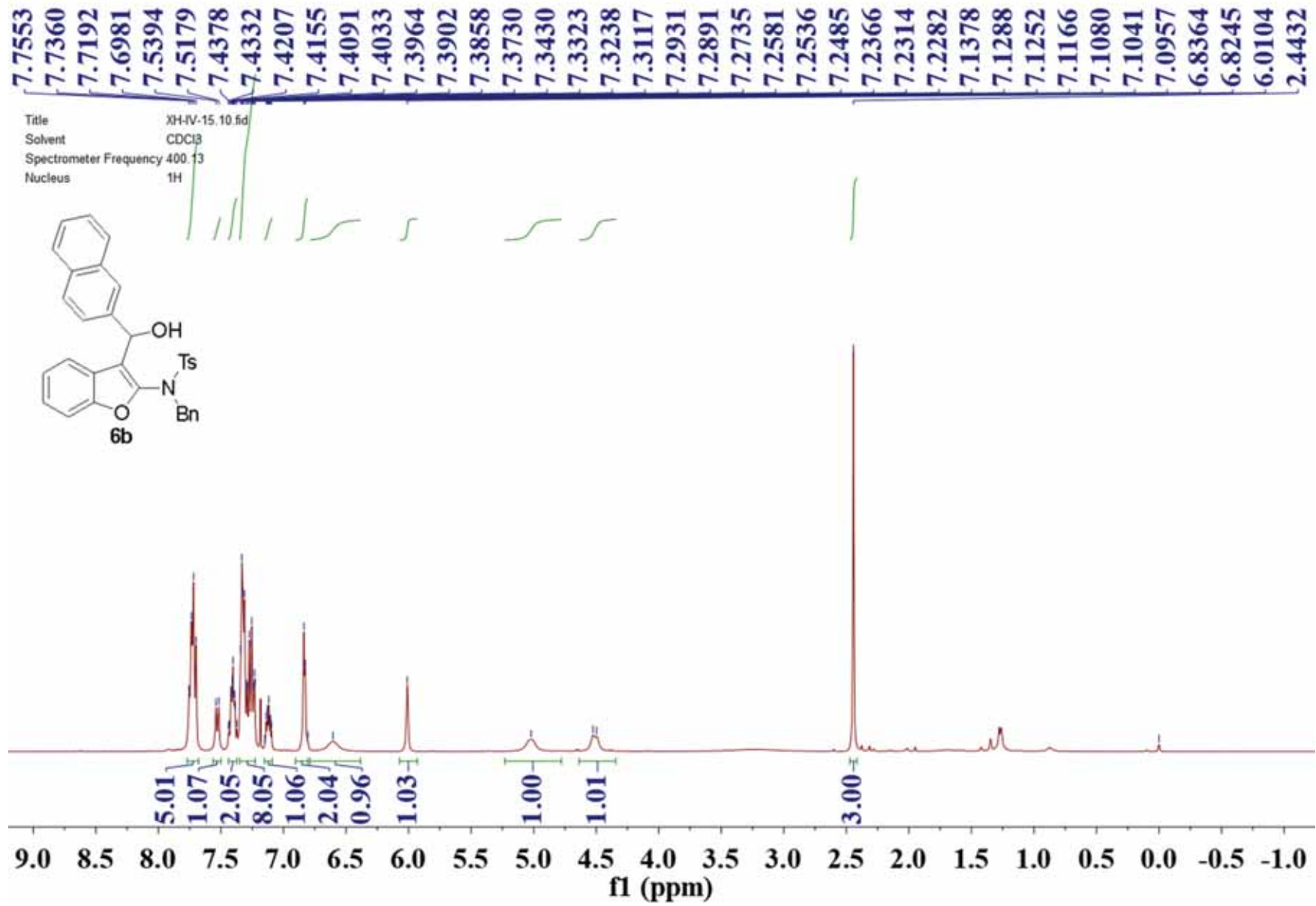


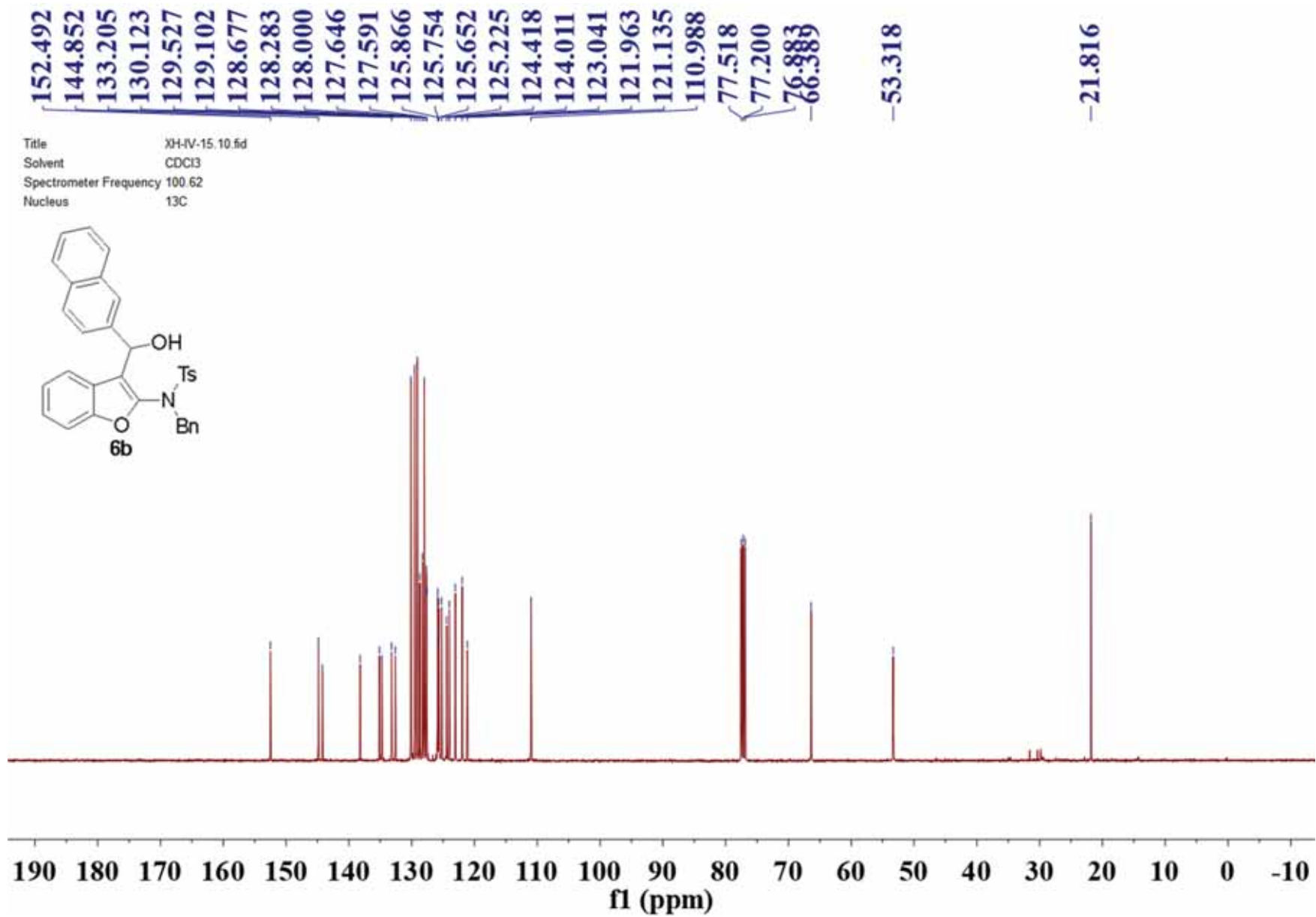
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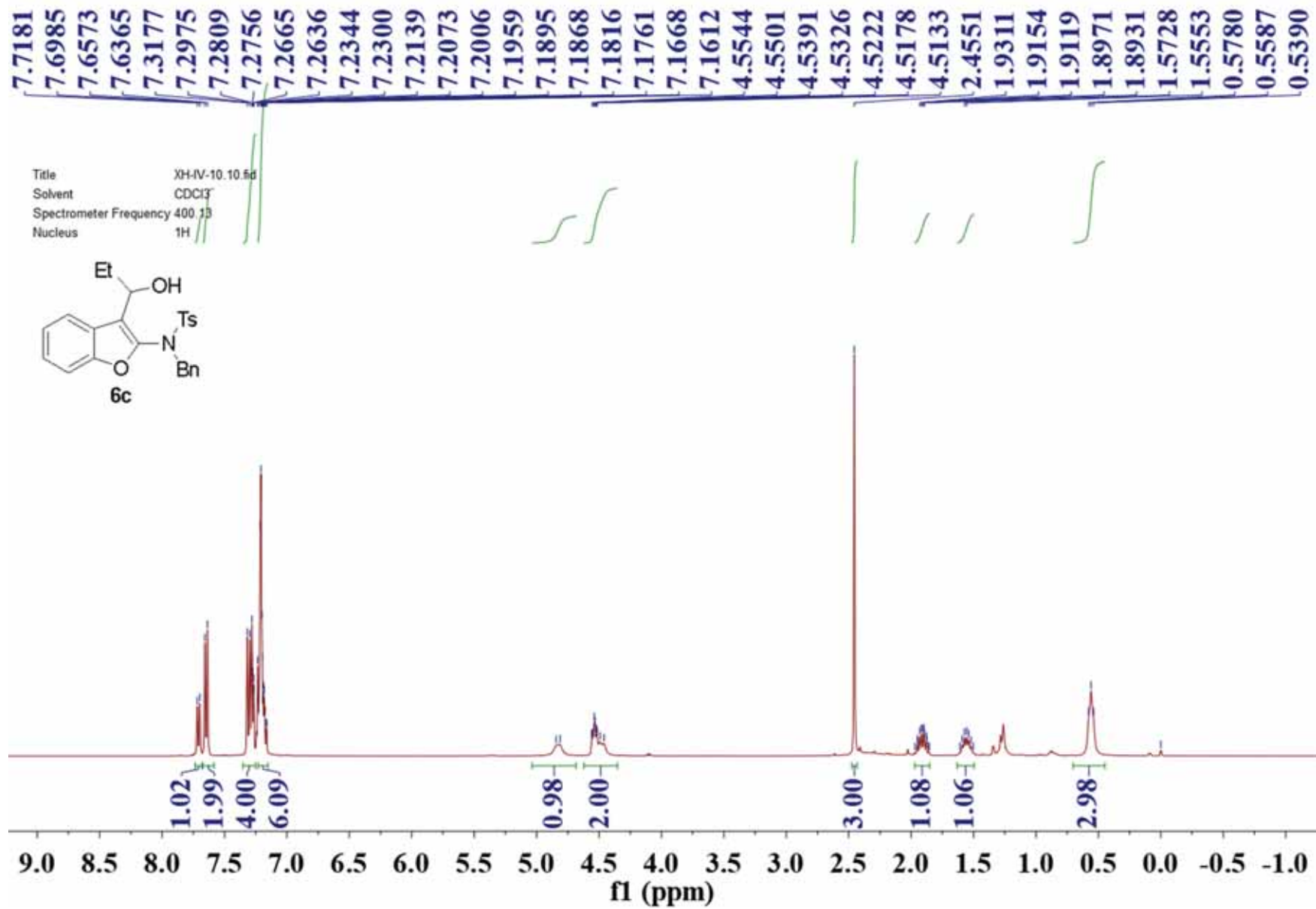
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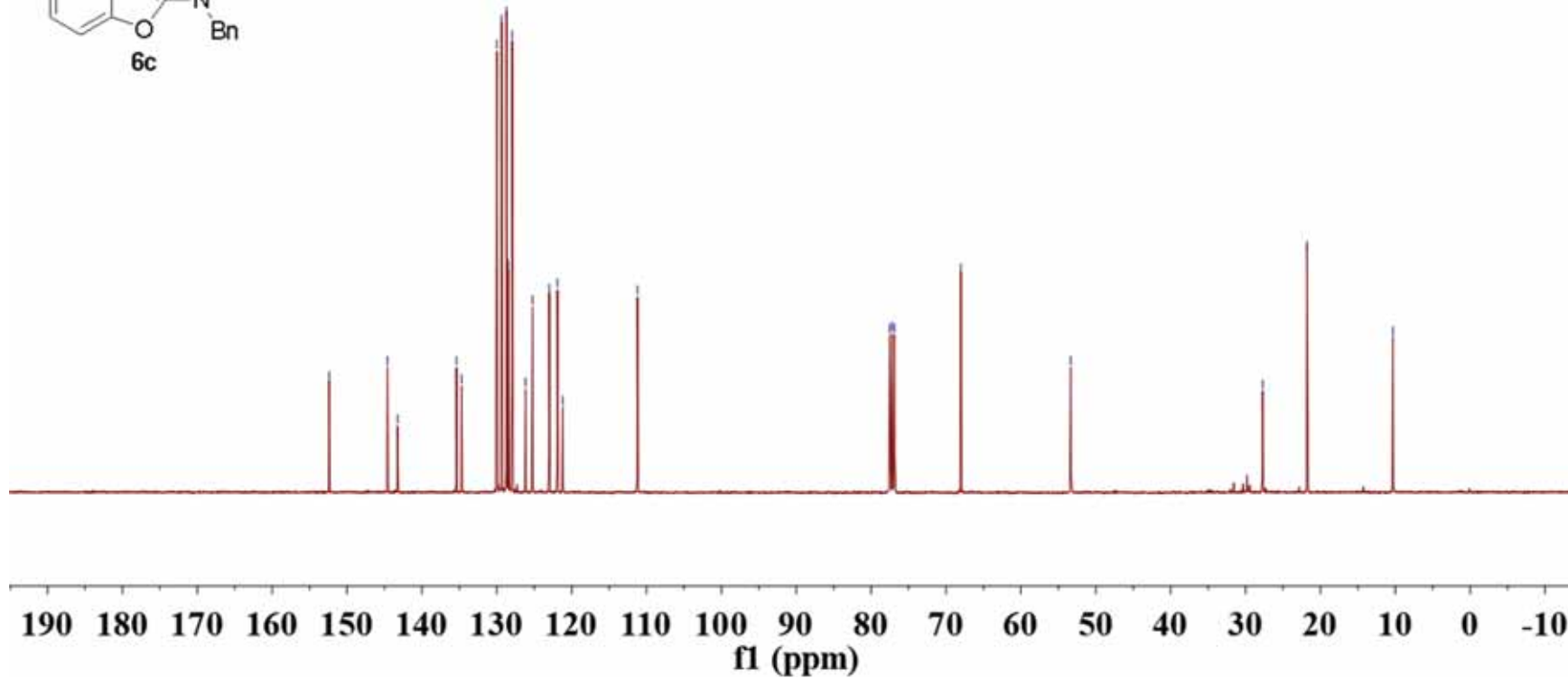
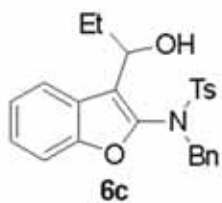






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# MS (ESI) of *n*-BuCl: $m/z$ [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> 115

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