

**[Cp*RhCl₂]₂ Catalyzed Three-Component Coupling Cyclization of 2,3-Allenic
Acids with 2,3-Allenols in the Presence of Cu(OAc)₂·H₂O**

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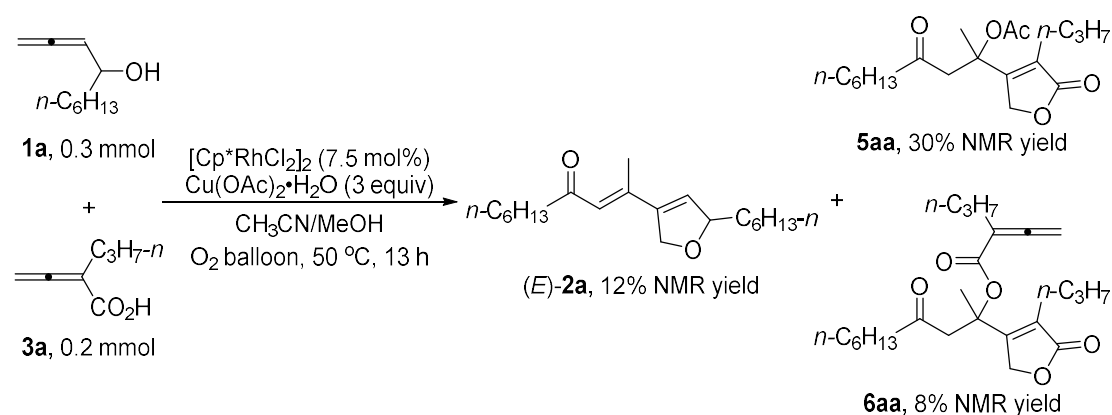
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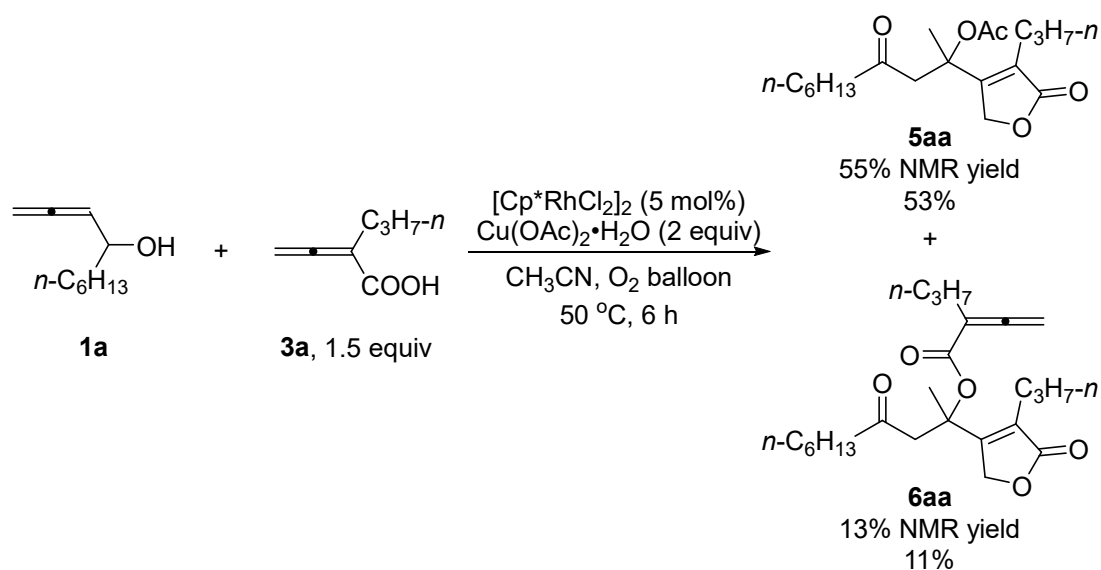
NMR spectra were taken with the 600 MHz, 400 MHz, or 300 MHz Bruker Advance spectrometer (600 MHz, 400 MHz, or 300 MHz for ^1H NMR, 100 MHz or 75 MHz for ^{13}C NMR, and 282 MHz for ^{19}F NMR) in CDCl_3 . All ^1H NMR experiments were measured with tetramethylsilane (0 ppm) in CDCl_3 as the internal reference; ^{13}C NMR experiments were measured in relative to the signal of CDCl_3 (77.0 ppm). ^{19}F NMR experiments were measured in relative to the signal of CFCl_3 (0 ppm) in CDCl_3 as the internal reference. IR spectra were recorded with a Perkin–Elmer 983G instrument. Elemental analyses were conducted with a Carlo-Erba EA1110 elementary analysis instrument. Mass spectrometry was performed with an HP 5989A system. High-resolution mass spectrometry was determined with a Finnigan MAT 8430 or Bruker APEXIII instrument. $[\text{Cp}^*\text{RhCl}_2]_2$ was purchased from *HWRK CHEM*. The range of boiling point of petroleum ether used for chromatography was 60~90 °C unless noted otherwise. Flash column chromatography was performed on silica gel H unless noted otherwise. 2,3-Allenols,¹ 2,3-allenoic acids,² and (*E*)-**4aa**³ were prepared according to the literature procedures. Other commercially available reagents were purchased and used as received.

1. The Reaction of 1a with 3a in the Presence of [Cp*RhCl₂]₂ (5 mol%) and Cu(OAc)₂·H₂O (2.0 equiv) (fjj-1-028)



To a dry Schlenk tube were added [Cp*RhCl₂]₂ (9.5 mg, 0.015 mmol), Cu(OAc)₂·H₂O (120.4 mg, 0.6 mmol), and **3a** (25.6 mg, 0.2 mmol) sequentially. The Schlenk tube was degassed under vacuum and backfilled with O₂ with a balloon of O₂ for three times. Then **1a** (46.8 mg, 0.3 mmol), CH₃CN (0.6 mL), and MeOH (30 μL) were added under oxygen atmosphere sequentially. After being stirred for 13 h at 50 °C, the resulting mixture was filtered through a short column of silica gel eluted with ethyl acetate (20 mL × 3). After evaporation of the solvent, the crude product was analyzed by ¹H NMR spectrum with 13.8 μL of mesitylene as the internal standard: The reaction afforded (*E*)-**2a** in 12% NMR yield (based on **1a**) together with **5aa** in 30% NMR yield and **6aa** in 8% NMR yield.

Synthesis of **6aa**. (fjj-2-103)



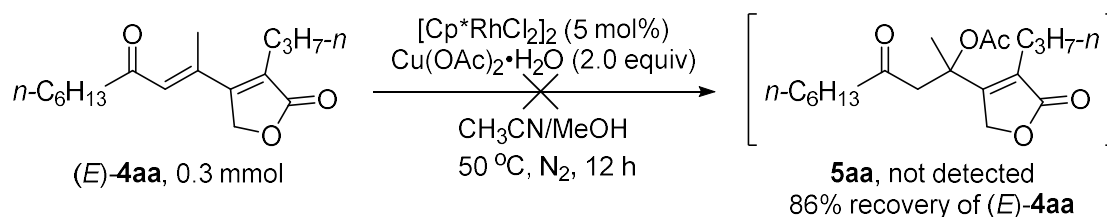
To a dry Schlenk tube were added $[\text{Cp}^*\text{RhCl}_2]_2$ (15.7 mg, 0.025 mmol), $\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ (199.5 mg, 1.0 mmol), and **3a** (94.8 mg, 0.75 mmol) sequentially. The Schlenk tube was degassed under vacuum and backfilled with O_2 with a balloon of O_2 for three times. Then **1a** (76.5 mg, 0.5 mmol), CH_3CN (2 mL), and MeOH (100 μL) were added under oxygen atmosphere sequentially. After being continuously stirred at 50°C for 6 h, the reaction was complete as monitored by thin layer chromatography (TLC). After filtration through a short column of silica gel eluted with ethyl acetate (20 mL \times 3), the combined filtrate was concentrated in vacuo. The reaction afforded **5aa** in 53% NMR yield together with 13% NMR yield of **6aa**, which was analyzed by ^1H NMR using 23 μL of mesitylene as the internal standard. The crude residual was purified by chromatography on silica gel [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 15/1 (1000 mL) to 10/1 (500 mL), then 5/1 (500 mL)] to afford **6aa** (21.0 mg, 11%) and **5aa** (89.4 mg, 53%).

6aa: Oil; ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 5.15 (t, $J = 3.0$ Hz, 2 H, $=\text{CH}_2$), 5.07 (d, J

= 14.7 Hz, 1 H, one proton of OCH₂), 4.99 (d, J = 14.4 Hz, 1 H, one proton of OCH₂), 3.06 (d, J = 14.7 Hz, 1 H, one proton of CH₂), 2.75 (d, J = 14.7 Hz, 1 H, one proton of CH₂), 2.43 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.34-2.14 (m, 4 H, CH₂ × 2), 1.62-1.41 (m, 9 H, CH₂ × 3 and CH₃), 1.34-1.16 (m, 6 H, CH₂ × 3), 0.98-0.82 (m, 9 H, CH₃ × 3); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 214.4, 206.7, 171.8, 166.7, 158.2, 130.6, 99.5, 85.2, 79.3, 58.4, 48.7, 44.8, 31.5, 29.9, 28.6, 25.6, 25.2, 23.1, 22.4, 21.3, 21.1, 14.0, 13.7, 13.5; IR (neat) ν (cm⁻¹) 2960, 2933, 2873, 1964, 1940, 1760, 1716, 1457, 1378, 1246, 1119, 1051; MS (EI): m/z (%) 404 (M⁺, 0.38), 279 (100); HRMS Calcd for C₂₄H₃₆O₅ (M⁺): 404.2563; Found: 404.2565.

5aa: Oil; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.95 (s, 2 H, CH₂), 3.07 (d, J = 14.7 Hz, 1 H, one proton from CH₂), 2.75 (d, J = 14.7 Hz, 1 H, one proton from CH₂), 2.44 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.30 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.10 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 1.62-1.32 (m, 7 H, CH₂ × 2 and CH₃), 1.36-1.13 (m, 6 H, CH₂ × 3), 0.94 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3 H, CH₃), 0.87 (t, J = 6.2 Hz, 3 H, CH₃);

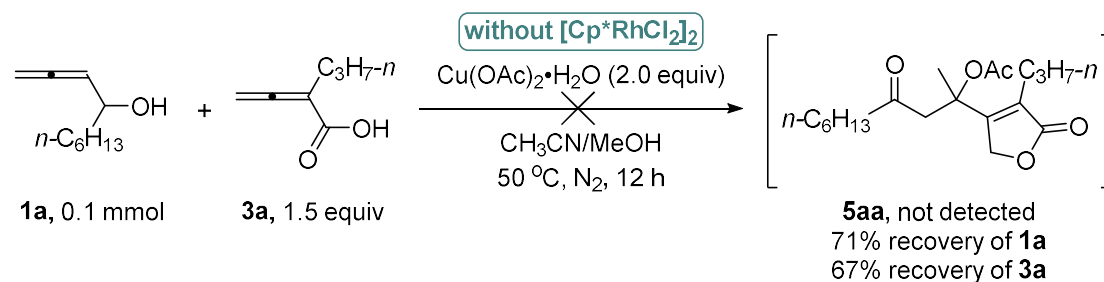
2. The Reaction of (*E*)-4aa in the Presence of [Cp*RhCl₂]₂ (5 mol%) and Cu(OAc)₂·H₂O (2.0 equiv) (fjj-2-042)



To a dry Schlenk tube were added [Cp*RhCl₂]₂ (9.2 mg, 0.015 mmol) and Cu(OAc)₂·H₂O (119.0 mg, 0.6 mmol) sequentially. The Schlenk tube was degassed under vacuum and backfilled with nitrogen for three times. Then (*E*)-4aa (83.0 mg, 0.3 mmol), CH₃CN (0.8 mL), and MeOH (40 μL) were added under nitrogen atmosphere sequentially. After being stirred for 12 h at 50 °C, the resulting mixture was filtered through a short column of silica gel eluted with ethyl acetate (20 mL × 3). After evaporation of the solvent, the crude product was analyzed by ¹H NMR spectrum with 13.8 μL of mesitylene as the internal standard. No signal of the corresponding product was found with the recovery of (*E*)-4aa in 86%.

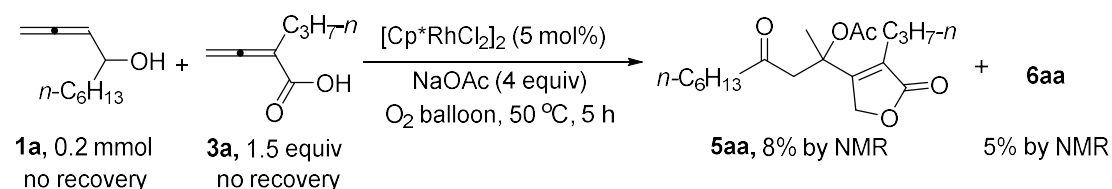
3. Control Experiments and Isotopic Labeling Experiments

3.1 The reaction of **1a** with **3a** without $[\text{Cp}^*\text{RhCl}_2]_2$. (fjj-2-026)



To a dry Schlenk tube were added $\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ (39.9 mg, 0.2 mmol) and **3a** (19.4 mg, 0.15 mmol) sequentially. The Schlenk tube was degassed under vacuum and backfilled with nitrogen for three times. Then **1a** (15.0 mg, 0.1 mmol), CH_3CN (0.28 mL), and MeOH (13 μL) were added under nitrogen atmosphere sequentially. After being stirred for 12 h at 50 °C, the resulting mixture was filtered through a short column of silica gel eluted with ethyl acetate (20 mL \times 3). After evaporation of the solvent, the crude product was analyzed by ^1H NMR spectrum with 4.6 μL of mesitylene as the internal standard. No signal of the corresponding product **5aa** was found with the recovery of **1a** at 71% and **3a** at 67%.

3.2 The reaction of **1a** with **3a** using O_2 as oxidant and NaOAc as the acetoxylation agent. (fjj-7-194)

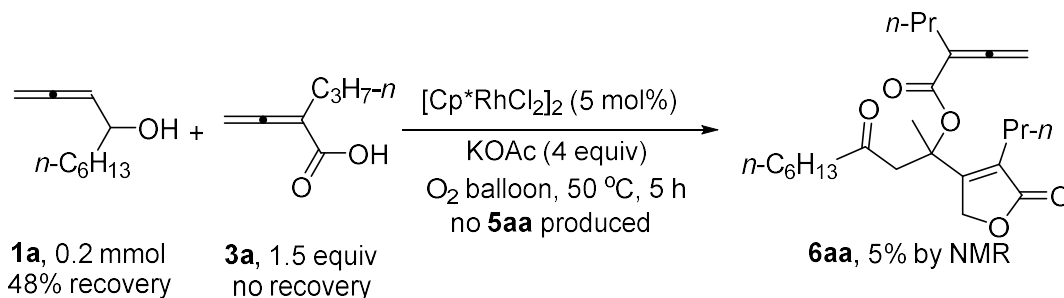


To a dry Schlenk tube were added $[\text{Cp}^*\text{RhCl}_2]_2$ (6.2 mg, 0.01 mmol), NaOAc (65.8

mg, 0.8 mmol), and **3a** (38.0 mg, 0.3 mmol) sequentially. The Schlenk tube was degassed under vacuum and backfilled with O₂ for three times. Then **1a** (30.9 mg, 0.2 mmol), CH₃CN (0.54 mL), and MeOH (26 μL) were added under O₂ atmosphere sequentially. After being stirred for 5 h at 50 °C, the resulting mixture was filtered through a short column of silica gel eluted with ethyl acetate (10 mL × 3). After evaporation of the solvent, the crude product was analyzed by ¹H NMR spectrum with 9.2 μL of mesitylene as the internal standard: 8% NMR yield of **5aa** and 5% NMR yield of **6aa** was detected.

3.3 The reaction of **1a** with **3a** using O₂ as oxidant and KOAc as the acetoxylation agent.

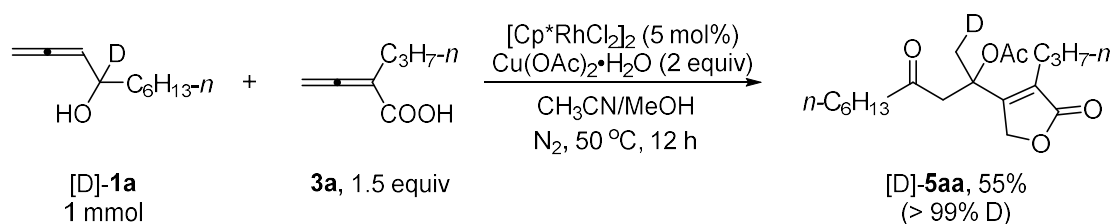
(fjj-7-195)



To a dry Schlenk tube were added [Cp^{*}RhCl₂]₂ (6.2 mg, 0.01 mmol), KOAc (78.5 mg, 0.8 mmol), and **3a** (37.8 mg, 0.3 mmol) sequentially. The Schlenk tube was degassed under vacuum and backfilled with O₂ for three times. Then **1a** (30.9 mg, 0.2 mmol), CH₃CN (0.54 mL), and MeOH (26 μL) were added under O₂ atmosphere sequentially. After being stirred for 5 h at 50 °C, the resulting mixture was filtered through a short column of silica gel eluted with ethyl acetate (10 mL × 3). After

evaporation of the solvent, the crude product was analyzed by ^1H NMR spectrum with 9.2 μL of mesitylene as the internal standard: No signal of **5aa** and 5% NMR yield of **6aa** was detected with the recovery of **1a** at 48%.

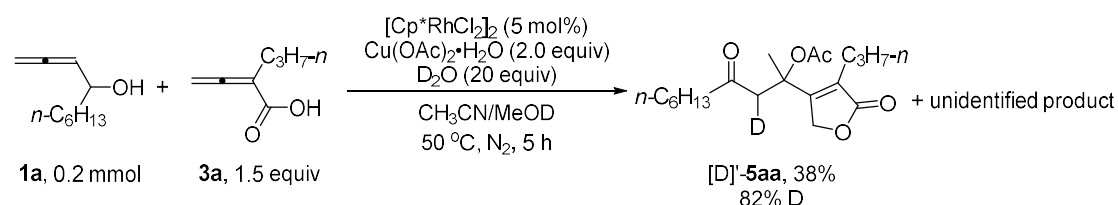
3.4 Synthesis of [D]-**5aa**. (fjj-1-085)



Typical Procedure I: To a dry Schlenk tube were added $[\text{Cp}^*\text{RhCl}_2]_2$ (30.9 mg, 0.05 mmol), $\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2\cdot\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (399.4 mg, 2.0 mmol), and **3a** (189.8 mg, 1.5 mmol). The reaction vessel was degassed under vacuum and backfilled with nitrogen for three times. Then **[D]-1a** (155.2 mg, 1.0 mmol), CH_3CN (2.7 mL), and MeOH (0.13 mL) were added under nitrogen atmosphere sequentially. After being continuously stirred at 50 $^\circ\text{C}$ for 12 h, the reaction was complete as monitored by thin layer chromatography (TLC). After filtration through a short column of silica gel eluted with ethyl acetate (20 mL \times 3), the combined filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and the crude residual was purified by chromatography on silica gel [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 15/1 (500 mL) to 10/1 (500 mL), then 5/1 (500 mL)] to afford **[D]-5aa** (187.0 mg, 55%) as an oil: ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 4.95 (dd, $J_1 = 14.6$ Hz, $J_2 = 14.4$ Hz, 2 H, OCH_2), 3.07 (d, $J = 14.7$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 2.74 (d, $J = 14.7$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 2.44 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 2 H, CH_2), 2.31 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 2 H, CH_2), 2.11 (s, 3 H, OAc),

1.63-1.36 (m, 6 H, CH₂ × 2 and CH₂D), 1.36-1.12 (m, 6 H, CH₂ × 3), 0.94 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3 H, CH₃), 0.87 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3 H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 206.5, 171.7, 169.9, 157.7, 131.1, 84.9, 57.4, 48.5, 44.6, 31.4, 28.5, 25.6, 24.9 (t, *J* = 19.3 Hz), 23.0, 22.3, 21.3, 20.5, 13.9, 13.6; IR (neat) ν (cm⁻¹) 2959, 2932, 2873, 1762, 1747, 1710, 1682, 1452, 1368, 1218, 1160, 1128, 1023; MS (EI): *m/z* (%) 339 (M⁺, 2.83), 43 (100); HRMS Calcd for C₁₉H₂₉DO₅ (M)⁺: 339.2156; Found: 339.2159.

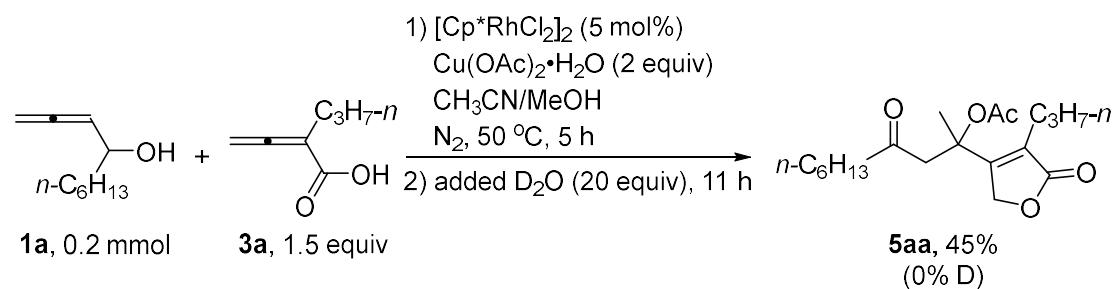
3.5 Synthesis of [D]'-**5aa**. (fjj-5-071)



To a dry Schlenk tube were added [Cp^{*}RhCl₂]₂ (6.2 mg, 0.01 mmol), Cu(OAc)₂·H₂O (80.2 mg, 0.4 mmol), and **3a** (38.0 mg, 0.3 mmol) sequentially. The reaction vessel was degassed under vacuum and backfilled with nitrogen for three times. Then **1a** (30.9 mg, 0.2 mmol), CH₃CN (0.54 mL), MeOD (27 μL), and D₂O (80 mg, 4 mmol) were added under nitrogen atmosphere sequentially. After being continuously stirred at 50 °C for 5 h, the reaction was complete as monitored by thin layer chromatography (TLC). After filtration through a short column of silica gel eluted with ethyl acetate (20 mL × 3), the combined filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and the crude residual was purified by chromatography on silica gel (300~400 mesh) [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 9/1 (600 mL)] to afford [D]'-**5aa** (26.0 mg, 38%, 82% D) and some unidentified products.

[D]'-**5aa**: ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 5.00-4.89 (m, 2 H, OCH_2), [3.09-3.00 (m, 0.62 H), 2.77-2.68 (m, 0.56 H), one proton of CHD], 2.44 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 2 H, CH_2), 2.30 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2 H, CH_2), 2.10 (s, 3 H, OAc), 1.63-1.42 (m, 7 H, CH_3 , and $\text{CH}_2 \times 2$), 1.37-1.13 (m, 6 H, $\text{CH}_2 \times 3$), 0.94 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 3 H, CH_3), 0.87 (t, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 3 H, CH_3); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 48.4 (t, $J = 19.4$ Hz); IR (neat) ν (cm^{-1}) 2960, 2933, 2873, 1755, 1716, 1456, 1368, 1221, 1029; MS (EI): m/z (%) 339 (M^+ , 4.96), 43 (100); HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{29}\text{DNaO}_5$ ($\text{M} + \text{Na}$) $^+$: 362.2048; Found: 362.2046. The following signals are discernible for **5aa**: ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 48.7.

3.6 The reaction of **1a** and **3a** under standard conditions quenched with D_2O (fjj-5-073)

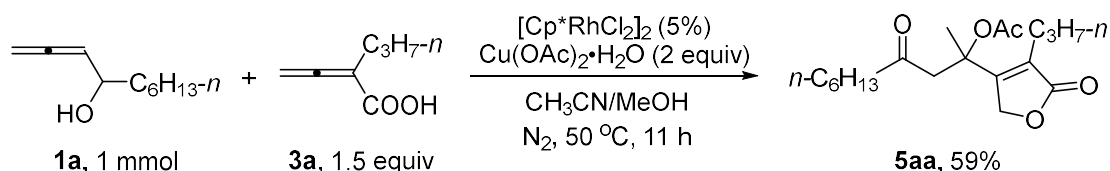


To a dry Schlenk tube were added $[\text{Cp}^*\text{RhCl}_2]_2$ (6.2 mg, 0.01 mmol), $\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ (79.8 mg, 0.4 mmol), and **3a** (37.8 mg, 0.3 mmol). The reaction vessel was degassed under vacuum and backfilled with nitrogen for three times. Then **1a** (30.9 mg, 0.2 mmol), CH_3CN (0.54 mL), and MeOH (28 μL) were added under nitrogen atmosphere sequentially. After being continuously stirred at 50 °C for 5 h, the reaction was complete as monitored by thin layer chromatography (TLC). Then D_2O (80 mg, 4 mmol) was added. The resulting mixture was continuously stirred at 50 °C for 11 h.

After filtration through a short column of silica gel eluted with ethyl ether (20 mL \times 3), the combined filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and the crude residual was purified by chromatography on silica gel [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 9/1 (500 mL)] to afford **5aa** (30.6 mg, 45%) as an oil: ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 4.94 (s, 2 H, OCH_2), 3.05 (d, $J = 14.7$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 2.73 (d, $J = 14.7$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 2.44 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2 H, CH_2), 2.30 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2 H, CH_2), 2.10 (s, 3 H, OAc), 1.63-1.40 (m, 7 H, $\text{CH}_2 \times 2$ and CH_3), 1.38-1.13 (m, 6 H, $\text{CH}_2 \times 3$), 0.94 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 3 H, CH_3), 0.87 (t, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 3 H, CH_3).

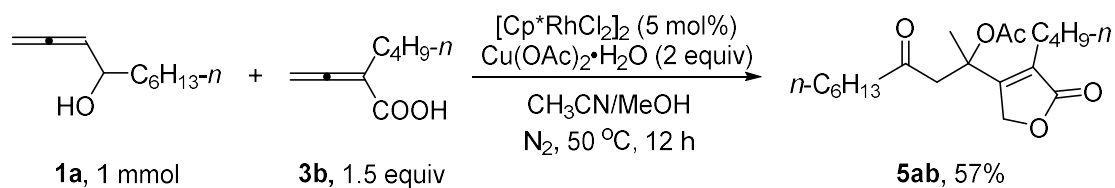
4. Rh(III)-Catalyzed Oxidative Cross-coupling Cyclization of 2,3- Allenic Acids and 2,3-Allenols

4.1 Synthesis of 4-(2-acetoxy-4-oxodecan-2-yl)-3-propyl-2(5*H*)-furanone **5aa** (fjj-1-052)



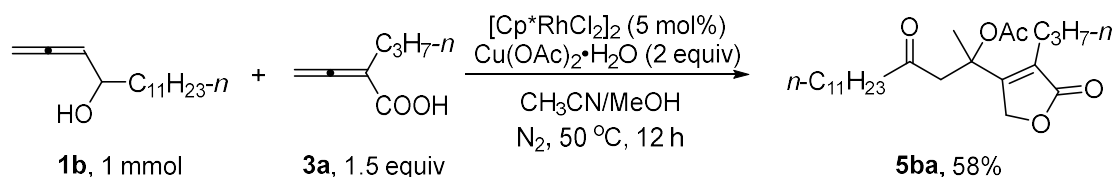
Following **Typical Procedure I**, the reaction of **1a** (152.8 mg, 1.0 mmol), **3a** (189.2 mg, 1.5 mmol), $[\text{Cp}^*\text{RhCl}_2]_2$ (31.0 mg, 0.05 mmol), and $\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ (399.9 mg, 2.0 mmol) in CH_3CN (2.7 mL)/ MeOH (0.13 mL) afforded **5aa** (197.1 mg, 59%) as an oil [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 50/1 (300 mL) \rightarrow 15/1 (800 mL) \rightarrow 10/1 (500 mL) \rightarrow 5/1 (500 mL)]: ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 4.95 (dd, $J_1 = 14.7$ Hz, $J_2 = 14.4$ Hz, 2 H, OCH_2), 3.06 (d, $J = 15.0$ Hz, 1 H, one proton from CH_2), 2.74 (d, $J = 14.7$ Hz, 1 H, one proton from CH_2), 2.44 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2 H, CH_2), 2.31 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2 H, CH_2), 2.10 (s, 3 H, CH_3), 1.61-1.43 (m, 7 H, $\text{CH}_2 \times 2$ and CH_3), 1.35-1.18 (m, 6 H, $\text{CH}_2 \times 3$), 0.94 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 3 H, CH_3), 0.87 (t, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 3 H, CH_3); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 206.5, 171.7, 169.9, 157.7, 131.2, 85.0, 57.4, 48.6, 44.6, 31.4, 28.6, 25.7, 25.2, 23.1, 22.3, 21.3, 20.6, 13.9, 13.7; IR (neat) ν (cm^{-1}) 2960, 2933, 2873, 1748, 1712, 1678, 1456, 1406, 1368, 1221, 1135, 1030; MS (EI): m/z (%) 338 (M^+ , 1.86), 43 (100); HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{30}\text{O}_5\text{Na}$ ($\text{M}+\text{Na}$) $^+$: 361.1985; Found: 361.1985.

4.2 Synthesis of 4-(2-acetoxy-4-oxodecan-2-yl)-3-butyl-2(5*H*)-furanone **5ab** (fjj-1-104)



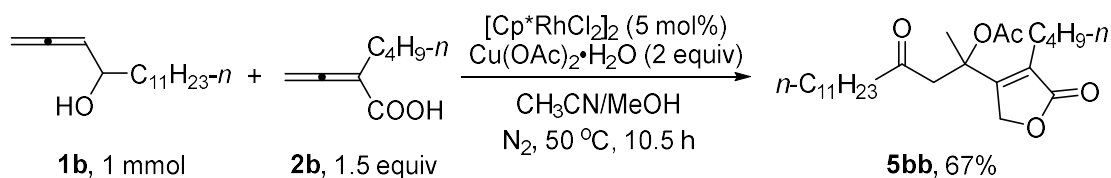
Following **Typical Procedure I**, the reaction of **1a** (154.2 mg, 1.0 mmol), **3b** (210.4 mg, 1.5 mmol), $[\text{Cp}^*\text{RhCl}_2]_2$ (30.9 mg, 0.05 mmol), and $\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ (399.4 mg, 2.0 mmol) in CH_3CN (2.7 mL)/ MeOH (0.13 mL) afforded **5ab** (201.2 mg, 57%) as an oil [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10/1 (500 mL) to 5/1 (500 mL)]: ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 4.94 (dd, $J_1 = 14.9$ Hz, $J_2 = 14.7$ Hz, 2 H, OCH_2), 3.05 (d, $J = 14.7$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 2.73 (d, $J = 14.7$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 2.44 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2 H, CH_2), 2.32 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 2 H, CH_2), 2.11 (s, 3 H, OAc), 1.57-1.41 (m, 7 H, CH_3 and $\text{CH}_2 \times 2$), 1.41-1.16 (m, 8 H, $\text{CH}_2 \times 4$), 0.92 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 3 H, CH_3), 0.87 (t, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 3 H, CH_3); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 206.6, 171.8, 170.0, 157.4, 131.4, 85.0, 57.5, 48.7, 44.7, 31.5, 30.1, 28.6, 25.2, 23.6, 23.1, 22.5, 22.4, 20.6; 13.9, 13.8; IR (neat) ν (cm^{-1}) 2959, 2932, 2861, 1747, 1710, 1455, 1403, 1368, 1283, 1220, 1127, 1038; MS (EI): m/z (%) 352 (M^+ , 2.53), 43 (100); HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{32}\text{O}_5$ (M^+): 352.2250; Found: 352.2249.

4.3 Synthesis of 4-(2-acetoxy-4-oxopentadecan-2-yl)-3-propyl-2(5*H*)-furanone **5ba** (fjj-1-073)



Following **Typical Procedure I**, the reaction of **1b** (224.3 mg, 1.0 mmol), **3a** (189.4 mg, 1.5 mmol), $[\text{Cp}^*\text{RhCl}_2]_2$ (31.2 mg, 0.05 mmol), and $\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ (400.1 mg, 2.0 mmol) in CH_3CN (2.7 mL)/ MeOH (0.13 mL) afforded **5ba** (237.1 mg, 58%) as an oil [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10/1 (1000 mL) to 5/1 (1000 mL)]: ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 4.95 (dd, $J_1 = 14.6$ Hz, $J_2 = 14.1$ Hz, 2 H, OCH_2), 3.06 (d, $J = 14.7$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 2.74 (d, $J = 15.0$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 2.44 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 2 H, CH_2), 2.31 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 2 H, CH_2), 2.10 (s, 3 H, OAc), 1.62-1.38 (m, 7 H, $\text{CH}_2 \times 2$ and CH_3), 1.37-1.14 (m, 16 H, $\text{CH}_2 \times 8$), 1.00-0.82 (m, 6 H, $\text{CH}_3 \times 2$); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 206.5, 171.7, 169.9, 157.7, 131.2, 85.0, 57.4, 48.6, 44.6, 31.8, 29.5, 29.32, 29.29, 29.2, 28.9, 25.7, 25.2, 23.1, 22.6, 21.3, 20.5, 14.0, 13.7; IR (neat) ν (cm^{-1}) 2959, 2925, 2854, 1767, 1747, 1715, 1682, 1465, 1455, 1401, 1367, 1200, 1135, 1029; MS (EI): m/z (%) 408 (M^+ , 1.79), 43 (100); HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{40}\text{O}_5$ (M^+): 408.2876; Found: 408.2875.

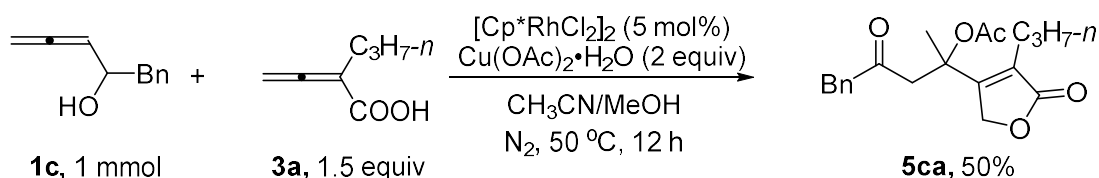
4.4 Synthesis of 4-(2-acetoxy-4-oxopentadecan-2-yl)-3-butyl-2(5*H*)-furanone **5bb** (fjj-1-075)



Following **Typical Procedure I**, the reaction of **1b** (226.5 mg, 1.0 mmol), **2b** (210.1 mg, 1.5 mmol), $[\text{Cp}^*\text{RhCl}_2]_2$ (31.3 mg, 0.05 mmol), and $\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ (400.1 mg, 2.0 mmol) in CH_3CN (2.7 mL)/ MeOH (0.13 mL) afforded **5bb** (286.2 mg, 67%)

as an oil [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10/1 (500 mL) to 5/1 (500 mL)]: ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 4.94 (dd, $J_1 = 14.9$ Hz, $J_2 = 14.7$ Hz, 2 H, OCH_2), 3.05 (d, $J = 14.7$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 2.72 (d, $J = 14.7$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 2.43 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2 H, CH_2), 2.32 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 2 H, CH_2), 2.10 (s, 3 H, OAc), 1.56-1.40 (m, 7 H, $\text{CH}_2 \times 2$ and CH_3), 1.40-1.16 (m, 18 H, $\text{CH}_2 \times 9$), 0.98-0.80 (m, 6 H, $\text{CH}_3 \times 2$); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 206.6, 171.7, 170.0, 157.4, 131.5, 85.0, 57.5, 48.7, 44.7, 31.8, 30.1, 29.5, 29.4, 29.3, 29.2, 29.0, 25.2, 23.6, 23.2, 22.6, 22.5, 20.6, 14.0, 13.7; IR (neat) ν (cm^{-1}) 2955, 2924, 2852, 1768, 1747, 1715, 1682, 1461, 1455, 1406, 1368, 1225, 1129, 1035; MS (EI): m/z (%) 422 (M^+ , 4.92), 43 (100); HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{42}\text{O}_5$ (M^+): 422.3032; Found: 422.3032.

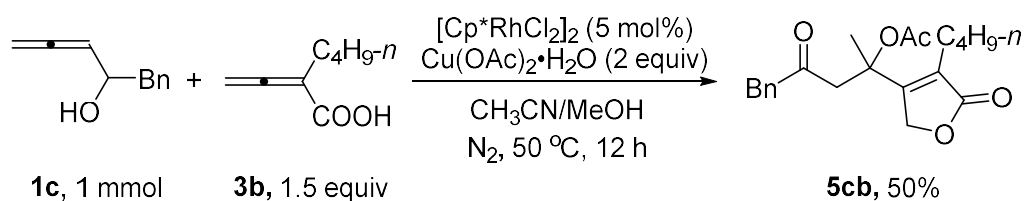
4.5 Synthesis of 4-(2-acetoxy-4-oxo-5-phenylpentan-2-yl)-3-propyl-2(5H)-furanone **5ca** (fjj-1-076)



Following **Typical Procedure I**, the reaction of **1c** (160.2 mg, 1.0 mmol), **3a** (189.2 mg, 1.5 mmol), $[\text{Cp}^*\text{RhCl}_2]_2$ (31.2 mg, 0.05 mmol), and $\text{Cu(OAc)}_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ (399.8 mg, 2.0 mmol) in CH_3CN (2.7 mL)/ MeOH (0.13 mL) afforded **5ca** (173.0 mg, 50%) as an oil [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10/1 (500 mL) to 5/1 (1000 mL)]: ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.37-7.21 (m, 3 H, ArH), 7.14 (d, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 2 H, ArH), 4.91 (d, $J = 14.7$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of OCH_2), 4.86 (d, $J = 14.4$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of OCH_2),

3.72 (s, 2 H, CH₂), 3.10 (d, *J* = 15.3 Hz, 1 H, one proton of CH₂), 2.77 (d, *J* = 15.3 Hz, 1 H, one proton of CH₂), 2.29 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.04 (s, 3 H, OAc), 1.62-1.43 (m, 5 H, CH₂, CH₃), 0.91 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3 H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 203.6, 171.6, 169.9, 157.5, 133.2, 131.2, 129.4, 128.7, 127.1, 84.9, 57.3, 51.4, 47.6, 25.6, 25.1, 21.2, 20.5, 13.6; IR (neat) ν (cm⁻¹) 3089, 3063, 3030, 2962, 2935, 2873, 1748, 1715, 1681, 1603, 1497, 1455, 1367, 1309, 1222, 1131, 1048, 1026; MS (EI): *m/z* (%) 344 (M⁺, 7.29), 211 (100); HRMS Calcd for C₂₀H₂₄O₅ (M⁺): 344.1624; Found: 344.1625.

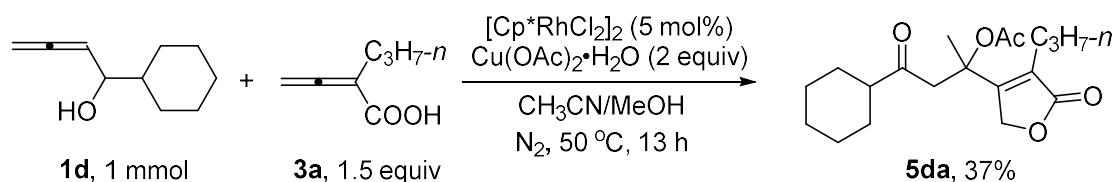
4.6 Synthesis of 4-(2-acetoxy-4-oxo-5-phenylpentan-2-yl)-3-butyl-2(5*H*)-furanone **5cb** (fjj-1-087)



Following **Typical Procedure I**, the reaction of **1c** (159.2 mg, 1.0 mmol), **3b** (210.6 mg, 1.5 mmol), [Cp^{*}RhCl₂]₂ (31.0 mg, 0.05 mmol), and Cu(OAc)₂·H₂O (399.7 mg, 2.0 mmol) in CH₃CN (2.7 mL)/MeOH (0.13 mL) afforded **5cb** (179.7 mg, 50%) as an oil [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 15/1 (500 mL) to 8/1 (500 mL), then 5/1 (1000 mL)]: ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.38-7.23 (m, 3 H, ArH), 7.17-7.10 (m, 2 H, ArH), 4.91 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1 H, one proton of OCH₂), 4.86 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1 H, one proton of OCH₂), 3.72 (s, 2 H, CH₂), 3.10 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1 H, one proton of CH₂), 2.76 (d, *J* = 15.3 Hz, 1 H, one proton of CH₂), 2.31 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.05 (s, 3 H, OAc), 1.56-1.39 (m, 5 H, CH₂ and CH₃), 1.39-1.22 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 0.91 (t, *J* = 7.1

Hz, 3 H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 203.7, 171.7, 169.9, 157.3, 133.2, 131.5, 129.5, 128.7, 127.2, 85.0, 57.4, 51.5, 47.7, 30.1, 25.1, 23.6, 22.4, 20.5, 13.7; IR (neat) ν (cm⁻¹) 3092, 3062, 3030, 2958, 2929, 2865, 1748, 1714, 1603, 1497, 1455, 1362, 1308, 1220, 1124, 1034; MS (EI): *m/z* (%) 358 (M⁺, 5.66), 225 (100); HRMS Calcd for C₂₁H₂₆O₅ (M⁺): 358.1780; Found: 358.1779.

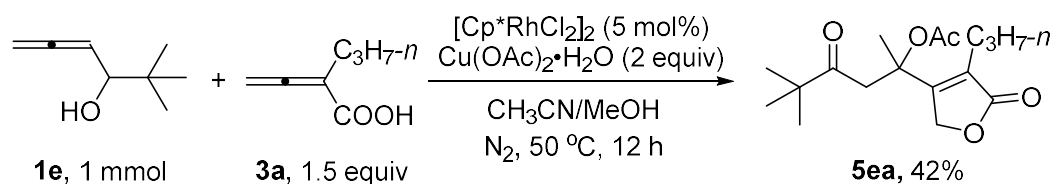
4.7 Synthesis of 4-(2-acetoxy-4-cyclohexyl-4-oxobutan-2-yl)-3-propyl-2(5*H*)-furanone **5da** (fjj-1-066)



Following **Typical Procedure I**, the reaction of **1d** (151.6 mg, 1.0 mmol), **3a** (189.3 mg, 1.5 mmol), [Cp^{*}RhCl₂]₂ (31.0 mg, 0.05 mmol), and Cu(OAc)₂·H₂O (399.6 mg, 2.0 mmol) in CH₃CN (2.7 mL)/MeOH (0.13 mL) afforded **5da** (124.7 mg, 37%) as an oil [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10/1 (500 mL) to 5/1 (500 mL)]: ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.98 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1 H, one proton of OCH₂), 4.92 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1 H, one proton of OCH₂), 3.16 (d, *J* = 15.3 Hz, 1 H, one proton of CH₂), 2.75 (d, *J* = 15.3 Hz, 1 H, one proton of CH₂), 2.42-2.25 (m, 3 H, CH and CH₂), 2.10 (s, 3 H, OAc), 1.89-1.60 (m, 5 H, CH₂ × 2 and one proton of CH₂), 1.60-1.42 (m, 5 H, CH₂ and CH₃), 1.36-1.10 (m, 5 H, CH₂ × 2 and one proton of CH₂), 0.94 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3 H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 209.3, 171.8, 170.0, 157.8, 131.1, 85.1, 57.6, 51.8, 46.6, 28.1, 27.6, 25.7, 25.6, 25.5, 25.3, 21.3, 20.6, 13.7; IR (neat) ν (cm⁻¹) 2959,

2930, 2855, 1748, 1706, 1451, 1372, 1291, 1221, 1136, 1028; MS (EI): m/z (%) 336 (M^+ , 4.52), 83 (100); HRMS Calcd for $C_{19}H_{28}O_5$ (M^+): 336.1937; Found: 336.1934.

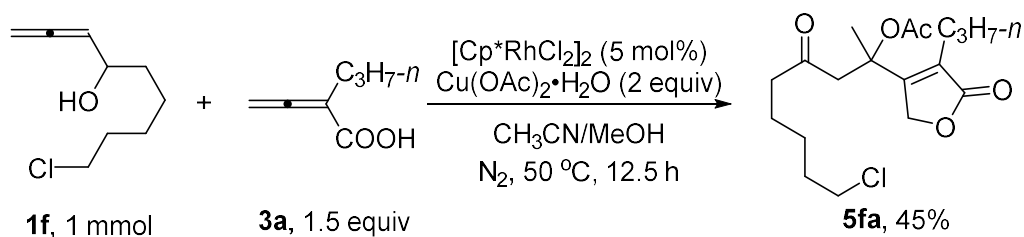
4.8 Synthesis of 4-(2-acetoxy-5,5-dimethyl-4-oxohexan-2-yl)-3-propyl-2(5H)-furanone **5ea** (fjj-1-068)



Following **Typical Procedure I**, the reaction of **1e** (127.8 mg, 1.0 mmol), **3a** (189.3 mg, 1.5 mmol), $[Cp^*RhCl_2]_2$ (31.3 mg, 0.05 mmol), and $Cu(OAc)_2 \cdot H_2O$ (398.3 mg, 2.0 mmol) in CH_3CN (2.7 mL)/MeOH (0.13 mL) afforded **5ea** (130.8 mg, 42%) as an oil [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10/1 (500 mL) to 5/1 (600 mL)]: 1H NMR (300 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 5.00 (d, $J = 14.1$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of OCH_2), 4.94 (d, $J = 14.4$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of OCH_2), 3.31 (d, $J = 16.5$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 2.76 (d, $J = 16.2$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 2.32 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2 H, CH_2), 2.10 (s, 3 H, OAc), 1.64-1.48 (m, 5 H, CH_2 and CH_3), 1.11 (s, 9 H, $CH_3 \times 3$), 0.95 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 3 H, CH_3); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 210.6, 172.0, 170.0, 158.1, 130.7, 84.9, 57.7, 44.6, 42.4, 25.9, 25.72, 25.67, 21.3, 20.6, 13.7; IR (neat) ν (cm^{-1}) 2963, 2933, 2870, 1748, 1713, 1507, 1479, 1463, 1452, 1394, 1367, 1261, 1222, 1170, 1123, 1051, 1026; MS (EI): m/z (%) 310 (M^+ , 3.70), 43 (100); HRMS Calcd for $C_{17}H_{26}O_5$ (M^+): 310.1780; Found: 310.1780.

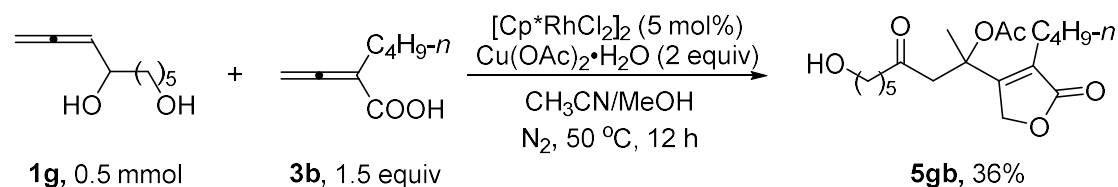
4.9 Synthesis of 4-(2-acetoxy-9-chloro-4-oxononan-2-yl)-3-propyl-2(5*H*)-furanone **5fa**

(fjj-1-072)



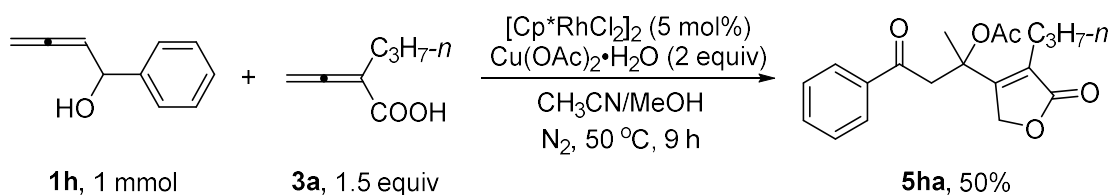
Following **Typical Procedure I**, the reaction of **1f** (173.4 mg, 1.0 mmol), **3a** (189.5 mg, 1.5 mmol), $[\text{Cp}^*\text{RhCl}_2]_2$ (31.2 mg, 0.05 mmol), and $\text{Cu(OAc)}_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ (400.8 mg, 2.0 mmol) in CH_3CN (2.7 mL)/ MeOH (0.13 mL) afforded **5fa** (161.2 mg, 45%) as an oil [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10/1 (500 mL) to 5/1 (1500 mL)]: $^1\text{H NMR}$ (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 4.95 (dd, $J_1 = 14.4$ Hz, $J_2 = 14.1$ Hz, 2 H, OCH_2), 3.52 (t, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 2 H, CH_2Cl), 3.07 (d, $J = 15.0$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 2.76 (d, $J = 15.0$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 2.48 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2 H, CH_2), 2.31 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2 H, CH_2), 2.11 (s, 3 H, OAc), 1.81-1.68 (m, 2 H, CH_2), 1.62-1.45 (m, 7 H, $\text{CH}_2 \times 2$ and CH_3), 1.45-1.30 (m, 2 H, CH_2), 0.94 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 3 H, CH_3); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 205.9, 171.6, 169.8, 157.6, 130.9, 84.8, 57.3, 48.4, 44.6, 44.1, 32.1, 25.9, 25.5, 25.0, 22.1, 21.2, 20.4, 13.5; IR (neat) ν (cm^{-1}) 2955, 2928, 2873, 1747, 1712, 1682, 1455, 1406, 1373, 1257, 1219, 1134, 1100, 1066, 1026; MS (EI): m/z (%) 360 [$\text{M}^{(37}\text{Cl})^+$, 1.01], 358 [$\text{M}^{(35}\text{Cl})^+$, 2.08], 43 (100); HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{27}^{35}\text{ClO}_5$ (M^+): 358.1547; Found: 358.1548.

4.10 Synthesis of 4-(2-acetoxy-9-hydroxy-4-oxononan-2-yl)-3-butyl-2(5*H*)-furanone

5gb (fjj-1-111)

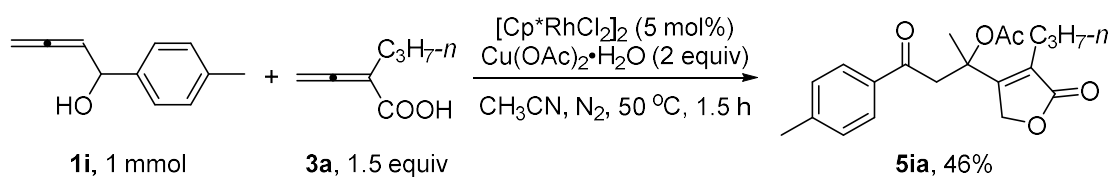
Following **Typical Procedure I**, the reaction of **1g** (77.5 mg, 0.5 mmol), **3b** (105.5 mg, 0.75 mmol), $[\text{Cp}^*\text{RhCl}_2]_2$ (15.9 mg, 0.025 mmol), and $\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ (199.8 mg, 2.0 mmol) in CH_3CN (1.35 mL)/ MeOH (67.5 μL) afforded **5gb** (65.9 mg, 36%, 95% purity) as an oil [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5/1 (500 mL) to 1/1 (500 mL), then 1/2 (500 mL)]: $^1\text{H NMR}$ (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 4.94 (dd, $J_1 = 14.7$ Hz, $J_2 = 14.7$ Hz, 2 H, OCH_2), 3.71 (s, 2 H, OCH_2), 3.07 (d, $J = 14.4$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 2.95-2.60 (m, 2 H, one proton of CH_2 and OH), 2.48 (t, $J = 6.7$ Hz, 2 H, CH_2), 2.32 (t, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2 H, CH_2), 2.11 (s, 3 H, OAc), 1.64-1.42 (m, 9 H, CH_3 and $\text{CH}_2 \times 3$), 1.42-1.22 (m, 4 H, $\text{CH}_2 \times 2$), 0.93 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 3 H, CH_3); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 206.5, 171.9, 170.0, 157.6, 131.3, 85.1, 62.4, 57.4, 48.6, 44.4, 32.3, 30.1, 25.1, 25.0, 23.5, 22.7, 22.4, 20.6, 13.7; IR (neat) ν (cm^{-1}) 3479, 2935, 2865, 1747, 1454, 1369, 1227, 1132, 1039; MS (EI): m/z (%) 354 (M^+ , 0.40), 43 (100); HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{30}\text{O}_6$ (M^+): 354.2042; Found: 354.2039.

4.11 Synthesis of 4-(2-acetoxy-4-oxo-4-phenylbutan-2-yl)-3-propyl-2(5*H*)-furanone**5ha** (fjj-1-064)



Following **Typical Procedure I**, the reaction of **1h** (146.3 mg, 1.0 mmol), **3a** (189.0 mg, 1.5 mmol), $[\text{Cp}^*\text{RhCl}_2]_2$ (30.9 mg, 0.05 mmol), and $\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ (399.2 mg, 2.0 mmol) in CH_3CN (2.7 mL)/ MeOH (0.13 mL) afforded **5ha** (163.3 mg, 50%) as an oil [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10/1 (500 mL) to 5/1 (1500 mL)]: ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.89 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2 H, ArH), 7.60-7.50 (m, 1 H, ArH), 7.44 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2 H, ArH), 5.03 (d, $J = 14.1$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of OCH_2), 4.96 (d, $J = 14.4$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of OCH_2), 3.72 (d, $J = 15.6$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 3.29 (d, $J = 15.6$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 2.31 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 2 H, CH_2), 1.97 (s, 3 H, OAc), 1.63 (s, 3 H, CH_3), 1.60-1.42 (m, 2 H, CH_2), 0.92 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 3 H, CH_3); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 195.4, 171.6, 169.8, 157.1, 136.6, 133.3, 131.4, 128.4, 128.1, 84.9, 57.3, 44.1, 25.49, 25.46, 21.1, 20.3, 13.5; IR (neat) ν (cm^{-1}) 3061, 2962, 2933, 2869, 1748, 1694, 1682, 1597, 1581, 1448, 1364, 1223, 1123, 1057, 1023; MS (EI): m/z (%) 330 (M^+ , 3.97), 105 (100); HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{22}\text{O}_5$ (M^+): 330.1467; Found: 330.1468.

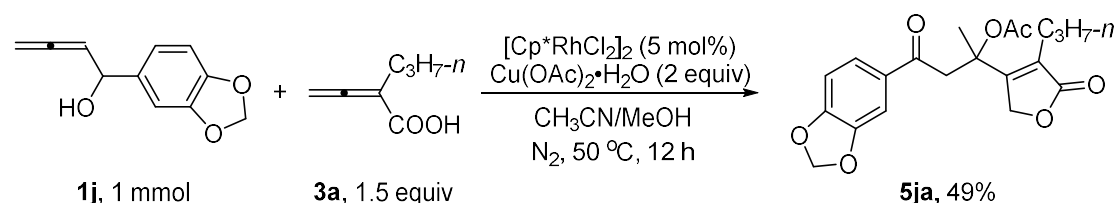
4.12 Synthesis of 4-(2-acetoxy-4-oxo-4-(*p*-tolyl)butan-2-yl)-3-propyl-2(5*H*)-furanone
5ia (fjj-2-022)



Typical Procedure II: To a dry Schlenk tube were added $[\text{Cp}^*\text{RhCl}_2]_2$ (31.0 mg, 0.05 mmol), $\text{Cu(OAc)}_2\cdot\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (399.3 mg, 2.0 mmol), and **3a** (189.2 mg, 1.5 mmol). The reaction vessel was degassed under vacuum and backfilled with nitrogen for three times. Then **1i** (160.3 mg, 1.0 mmol) and CH_3CN (2.7 mL) were added under nitrogen atmosphere sequentially. After being continuously stirred at 50 °C for 1.5 h, the reaction was complete as monitored by thin layer chromatography (TLC). After filtration through a short column of silica gel eluted with ethyl acetate (20 mL \times 3), the combined filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and the crude residual was purified by chromatography on silica gel [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl ether = 3/1 (1000 mL) to petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 2/1 (300 mL)] to afford **5ia** (160.2 mg, 46%) as an oil: $^1\text{H NMR}$ (300 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.79 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2 H, ArH), 7.24 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2 H, ArH), 5.03 (d, $J = 14.1$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of OCH_2), 4.97 (d, $J = 14.1$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of OCH_2), 3.70 (d, $J = 15.3$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 3.21 (d, $J = 15.3$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 2.40 (s, 3 H, CH_3), 2.30 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2 H, CH_2), 2.00 (s, 3 H, OAc), 1.63 (s, 3 H, CH_3), 1.60-1.42 (m, 2 H, CH_2), 0.92 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 3 H, CH_3); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 195.1, 171.6, 169.9, 157.3, 144.3, 134.3, 131.4, 129.2, 128.4, 85.0, 57.4, 44.3, 25.6, 25.5, 21.5, 21.2, 20.4, 13.6; IR (neat) ν (cm^{-1}) 3032, 2962, 2934, 2873, 1747, 1690, 1669, 1607, 1572, 1451, 1407, 1366, 1224, 1183, 1121, 1057, 1028; MS (EI): m/z (%) 344 (M^+ , 8.82), 119 (100); HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{24}\text{O}_5$ (M^+):

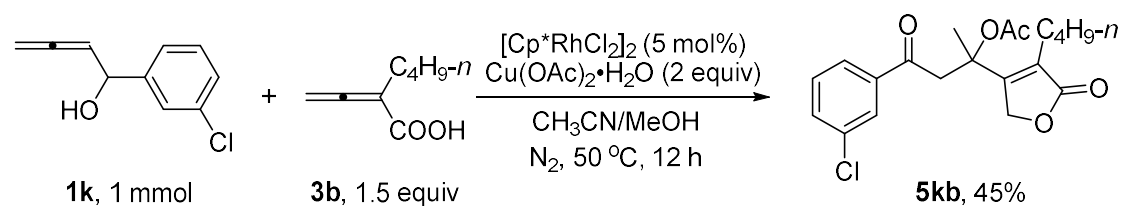
344.1624; Found: 344.1623.

4.13 Synthesis of 4-(2-acetoxy-4-(3,4-(methylenedioxy)phenyl)-4-oxobutan-2-yl)-3-propyl-2(5*H*)-furanone **5ja** (fjj-1-054)



Following **Typical Procedure I**, the reaction of **1j** (189.0 mg, 1.0 mmol), **3a** (189.1 mg, 1.5 mmol), $[\text{Cp}^*\text{RhCl}_2]_2$ (30.8 mg, 0.05 mmol), and $\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ (399.2 mg, 2.0 mmol) in CH_3CN (2.7 mL)/ MeOH (0.13 mL) afforded **5ja** (183.7 mg, 49%) as an oil [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 20/1 (1000 mL) to 5/1 (1000 mL), then 2/1 (200 mL)]: ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.52 (dd, $J_1 = 8.1$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.5$ Hz, 1 H, ArH), 7.34 (d, $J = 1.5$ Hz, 1 H, ArH), 6.84 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 1 H, ArH), 6.04 (s, 2 H, O_2CH_2), 5.01 (dd, $J_1 = 14.7$ Hz, $J_2 = 14.4$ Hz, 2 H, OCH_2), 3.66 (d, $J = 15.3$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 3.14 (d, $J = 15.3$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 2.30 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 2 H, CH_2), 2.04 (s, 3 H, OAc), 1.63 (s, 3 H, CH_3), 1.58-1.43 (m, 2 H, CH_2), 0.91 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 3 H, CH_3); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 193.5, 171.7, 170.0, 157.5, 152.1, 148.2, 131.7, 131.4, 125.2, 107.9, 107.8, 101.9, 85.1, 57.6, 44.5, 25.64, 25.58, 21.3, 20.5, 13.6; IR (neat) ν (cm^{-1}) 3080, 2963, 2929, 2874, 1748, 1682, 1604, 1505, 1489, 1446, 1367, 1256, 1220, 1108, 1036; MS (EI): m/z (%) 374 (M^+ , 8.42), 149 (100); HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{22}\text{O}_7\text{Na}$ ($\text{M}+\text{Na}$) $^+$: 397.1258; Found: 397.1257.

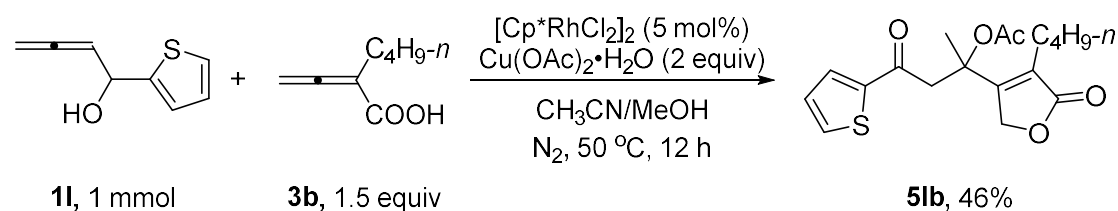
4.14 Synthesis of 4-(2-acetoxy-4-(3-chlorophenyl)-4-oxobutan-2-yl)-3-butyl-2(5H)-furanone **5kb** (fjj-1-095)



Following **Typical Procedure I**, the reaction of **1k** (180.2 mg, 1.0 mmol), **3b** (210.3 mg, 1.5 mmol), $[\text{Cp}^*\text{RhCl}_2]_2$ (31.1 mg, 0.05 mmol), and $\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2\cdot\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (399.2 mg, 2.0 mmol) in CH_3CN (2.7 mL)/ MeOH (0.13 mL) afforded **5kb** (170.3 mg, 45%) as an oil [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10/1 (500 mL) to 5/1 (1000 mL), then 4/1 (500 mL)]: $^1\text{H NMR}$ (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.87-7.83 (m, 1 H, ArH), 7.78 (d, $J = 3.9$ Hz, 1 H, ArH), 7.54 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1 H, ArH), 7.41 (t, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1 H, ArH), 5.02 (d, $J = 14.1$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of OCH_2), 4.96 (d, $J = 14.1$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of OCH_2), 3.70 (d, $J = 15.9$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 3.23 (d, $J = 15.6$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 2.32 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 2 H, CH_2), 2.02 (s, 3 H, OAc), 1.64 (s, 3 H, CH_3), 1.54-1.38 (m, 2 H, CH_2), 1.38-1.22 (m, 2 H, CH_2), 0.92 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 3 H, CH_3); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 194.4, 171.6, 170.0, 156.7, 138.3, 135.0, 133.4, 132.1, 130.0, 128.3, 126.6, 84.9, 57.4, 44.6, 30.1, 25.6, 23.6, 22.4, 20.5; 13.8; IR (neat) ν (cm^{-1}) 3062, 2958, 2929, 2872, 1755, 1748, 1698, 1682, 1570, 1424, 1366, 1224, 1123, 1031; MS (EI): m/z (%) 380 $[\text{M}(^{37}\text{Cl})^+]$, 2.47], 378 $[\text{M}(^{35}\text{Cl})^+]$, 7.20], 139 (100); HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{23}\text{O}_5^{35}\text{Cl}$ (M^+): 378.1234; Found: 378.1234.

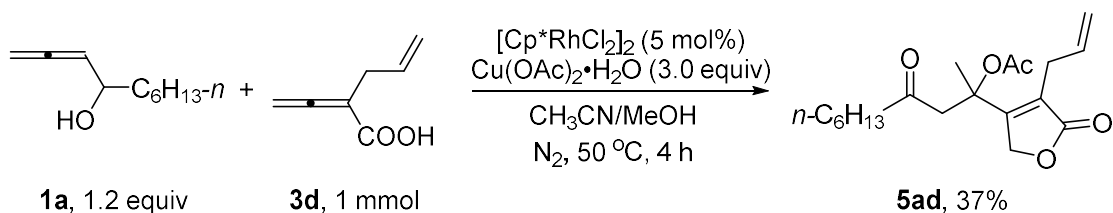
4.15 Synthesis of 4-(2-acetoxy-4-oxo-4-(thiophen-2-yl)butan-2-yl)-3-butyl-2(5H)-

furanone **5b** (fjj-1-090)



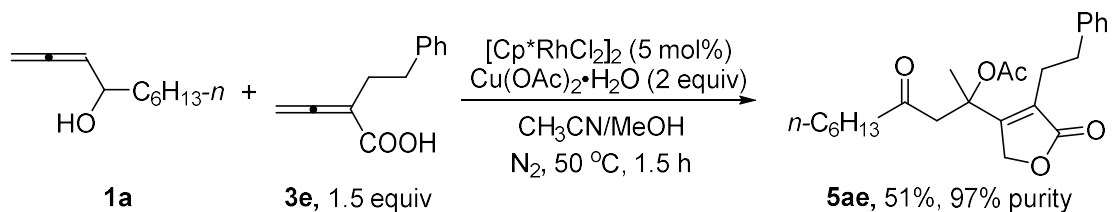
Following **Typical Procedure I**, the reaction of **1b** (152.4 mg, 1.0 mmol), **3b** (210.3 mg, 1.5 mmol), [Cp*RhCl₂]₂ (31.1 mg, 0.05 mmol), and Cu(OAc)₂·H₂O (399.2 mg, 2.0 mmol) in CH₃CN (2.7 mL)/MeOH (0.13 mL) afforded **5b** (163.0 mg, 46%) as an oil [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5/1 (1500 mL)]: ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.74 (d, *J* = 3.9 Hz, 1 H, ArH), 7.67 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1 H, ArH), 7.13 (t, *J* = 4.5 Hz, 1 H, ArH), 5.03 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1 H, one proton of OCH₂), 4.98 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1 H, one proton of OCH₂), 3.63 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1 H, one proton of CH₂), 3.19 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1 H, one proton of CH₂), 2.31 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.04 (s, 3 H, OAc), 1.63 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 1.52-1.37 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 1.37-1.22 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 0.90 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3 H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 188.1, 171.5, 169.9, 157.0, 144.1, 134.8, 133.4, 131.7, 128.3, 84.9, 57.4, 45.7, 30.0, 25.3, 23.4, 22.3, 20.4; IR (neat) *v* (cm⁻¹) 3094, 2958, 2929, 2872, 1747, 1667, 1651, 1519, 1455, 1417, 1362, 1227, 1109, 1051; MS (EI): *m/z* (%) 350 (M⁺, 7.34), 111 (100); HRMS Calcd for C₁₈H₂₂O₅S (M⁺): 350.1188; Found: 350.1189.

4.16 Synthesis of 4-(2-acetoxy-4-oxodecan-2-yl)-3-allyl-2(5*H*)-furanone **5ad** (fjj-1-135, fjj-2-008)



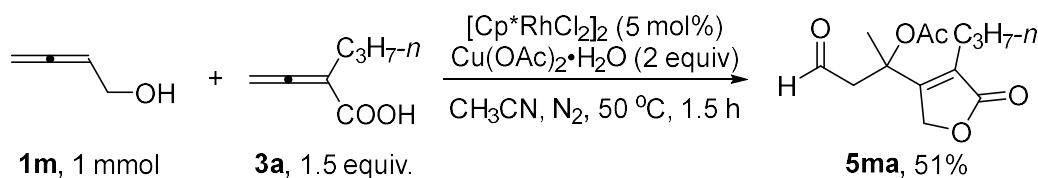
Following **Typical Procedure I**, the reaction of **1a** (185.0 mg, 1.2 mmol), **3d** (124.2 mg, 1.0 mmol), $[\text{Cp}^*\text{RhCl}_2]_2$ (31.1 mg, 0.05 mmol), and $\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ (599.1 mg, 3.0 mmol) in CH_3CN (2.7 mL)/ MeOH (0.13 mL) afforded **5ad** (126.0 mg, 37%) as an oil [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5/1 (1000 mL)]: ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 5.91-5.72 (m, 1 H, =CH), 5.17-5.03 (m, 2 H, =CH₂), 4.95 (s, 2 H, OCH₂), 3.13-3.01 (m, 3 H, CH₂ and one proton of CH₂), 2.77 (d, J = 15.0 Hz, 1 H, one proton of CH₂), 2.44 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.10 (s, 3 H, OAc), 1.60-14.1 (m, 5 H, CH₃ and CH₂), 1.37-1.15 (m, 6 H, CH₂ × 3), 0.87 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 3 H, CH₃); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 206.4, 171.2, 169.8, 159.0, 132.7, 128.3, 116.6, 85.0, 57.4, 48.4, 44.5, 31.3, 28.4, 27.6, 25.1, 23.0, 22.2, 20.4, 13.8; IR (neat) ν (cm^{-1}) 3077, 2955, 2925, 2858, 1755, 1716, 1640, 1368, 1218, 1122, 1047; MS (EI): m/z (%) 336 (M^+ , 1.10), 164 (100); HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{28}\text{O}_5$ (M^+): 336.1937; Found: 336.1934.

4.17 Synthesis of 4-(2-acetoxy-4-oxodecan-2-yl)-3-phenethyl-2(5*H*)-furanone **5ae** (fjj-2-018)



Following **Typical Procedure I**, the reaction of **1a** (154.0 mg, 1.0 mmol), **3e** (282.4 mg, 1.5 mmol), $[\text{Cp}^*\text{RhCl}_2]_2$ (30.9 mg, 0.05 mmol), and $\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ (399.8 mg, 2.0 mmol) in CH_3CN (2.7 mL)/MeOH (0.13 mL) afforded **5ae** (210.2 mg, 51%, 97% purity) as an oil [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl ether = 3/1 (1000 mL)]: ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.37-7.03 (m, 5 H, ArH), 4.57 (d, $J = 14.4$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of OCH_2), 4.46 (d, $J = 14.1$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of OCH_2), 2.93 (d, $J = 15.0$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 2.88-2.78 (m, 2 H, CH_2), 2.74-2.57 (m, 3 H, one proton of CH_2 and CH_2), 2.42 (td, $J_1 = 7.3$ Hz, $J_2 = 2.1$ Hz, 2 H, CH_2), 2.02 (s, 3 H, OAc), 1.57-1.37 (m, 5 H, CH_3 and CH_2), 1.36-1.16 (m, 6 H, $\text{CH}_2 \times 3$), 0.87 (t, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 3 H, CH_3); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 206.4, 171.5, 169.7, 158.6, 140.5, 129.9, 128.6, 128.3, 126.2, 85.0, 57.0, 48.6, 44.5, 33.6, 31.5, 28.6, 25.8, 24.7, 23.1, 22.3, 20.5, 13.9; IR (neat) ν (cm^{-1}) 3063, 3027, 2931, 2859, 1748, 1712, 1601, 1496, 1455, 1368, 1220, 1047; MS (EI): m/z (%) 400 (M^+ , 6.12), 91 (100); HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{32}\text{O}_5$ (M^+): 400.2250; Found: 400.2248.

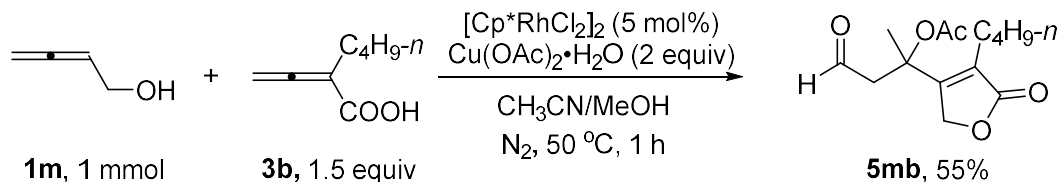
4.18 Synthesis of 4-(2-acetoxy-4-oxobutan-2-yl)-3-propyl-2(5H)-furanone **5ma** (fjj-2-023)



Following **Typical Procedure II**, the reaction of **1m** (70.3 mg, 1.0 mmol), **3a** (189.4 mg, 1.5 mmol), $[\text{Cp}^*\text{RhCl}_2]_2$ (31.0 mg, 0.05 mmol), and $\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ (399.5 mg, 2.0 mmol) in CH_3CN (2.7 mL) afforded **5ma** (129.8 mg, 51%) as an oil [eluent:

petroleum ether/ethyl ether = 2/1 (1000 mL) to 1/1 (500 mL)]: ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) 9.63 (t, $J = 2.4$ Hz, 1 H, CHO), 4.97 (d, $J = 14.1$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of OCH_2), 4.87 (d, $J = 14.1$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of OCH_2), 2.98 (dd, $J_1 = 16.1$ Hz, $J_2 = 2.3$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 2.74 (dd, $J_1 = 15.9$ Hz, $J_2 = 2.4$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 2.33 (t, 2 H, $J = 7.5$ Hz, CH_2), 2.11 (s, 3 H, OAc), 1.66-1.41 (m, 5 H, CH_2 and CH_3), 0.93 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 3 H, CH_3); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 198.0, 171.1, 169.8, 156.9, 132.1, 84.4, 56.7, 49.2, 25.5, 24.7, 21.2, 20.3, 13.5; IR (neat) ν (cm^{-1}) 2964, 2929, 2875, 2744, 1747, 1676, 1455, 1368, 1222, 1136, 1064, 1030; MS (EI): m/z (%) 254 (M^+ , 2.49), 43 (100); HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}_5$ (M^+): 254.1154; Found: 254.1156.

4.19 Synthesis of 4-(2-acetoxy-4-oxobutan-2-yl)-3-butyl-2(5*H*)-furanone **5mb** (fjj-2-001)

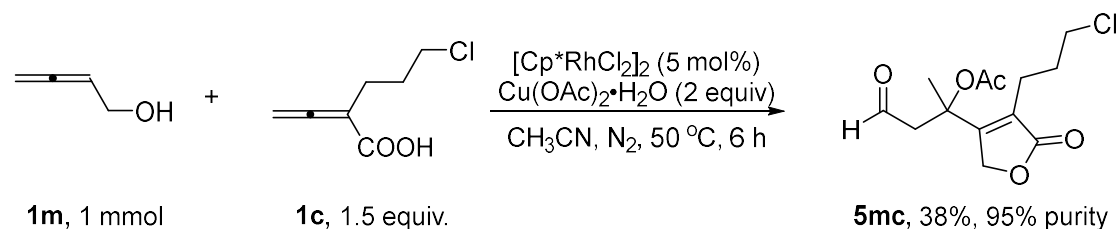


Following **Typical Procedure I**, the reaction of **1m** (70.2 mg, 1.0 mmol), **3b** (210.3 mg, 1.5 mmol), $[\text{Cp}^*\text{RhCl}_2]_2$ (30.9 mg, 0.05 mmol), and $\text{Cu(OAc)}_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ (399.1 mg, 2.0 mmol) in CH_3CN (2.7 mL)/ MeOH (0.13 mL) afforded **5mb** (149.0 mg, 55%) as an oil [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl ether = 4/1 (500 mL) to 2/1 (200 mL)]: ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 9.67-9.56 (m, 1 H, CHO), 5.02-4.80 (m, 2 H, OCH_2), 3.03-2.90 (m, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 2.72 (dd, $J_1 = 15.9$ Hz, $J_2 = 2.1$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 2.40-2.27 (m, 2 H, CH_2), 2.14-2.03 (m, 3 H, OAc), 1.61-1.54 (m, 3 H, CH_3), 1.54-1.42

(m, 2 H, CH₂), 1.41-1.23 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 0.97-0.86 (m, 3 H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 198.1, 171.2, 169.9, 156.6, 132.5, 84.4, 56.8, 49.3, 30.1, 24.7, 23.5, 22.4, 20.4, 13.6; IR (neat) ν (cm⁻¹) 3480, 2959, 2925, 2873, 2745, 1748, 1674, 1455, 1380, 1227, 1137, 1032; MS (EI): *m/z* (%) 268 (M⁺, 4.24), 43 (100); HRMS Calcd for C₁₄H₂₀O₅ (M⁺): 268.1311; Found: 268.1311.

4.20 Synthesis of 4-(2-acetoxy-4-oxobutan-2-yl)-3-(3-chloropropyl)-2(5*H*)-furanone.

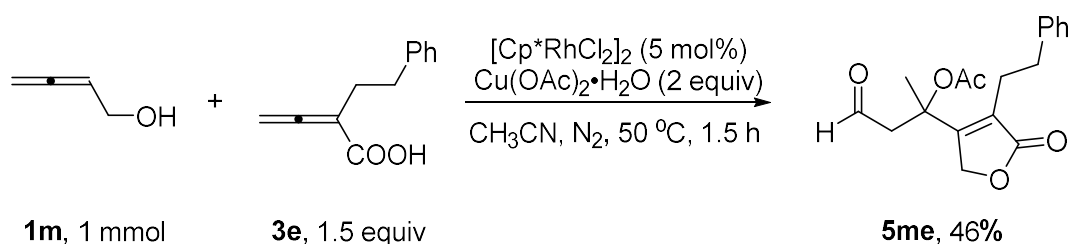
5mc (fjj-2-094)



Following **Typical Procedure II**, the reaction of **1m** (69.3 mg, 1.0 mmol), **3c** (240.4 mg, 1.5 mmol), [Cp*RhCl₂]₂ (31.0 mg, 0.05 mmol), and Cu(OAc)₂·H₂O (399.3 mg, 2.0 mmol) in CH₃CN (2.7 mL) afforded **5mc** (115.0 mg, 38%, 95% purity) as an oil [200~300 mesh silica gel, eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl ether = 5/1 (1000 mL) to 3/1 (500 mL), then 1/1 (1000 mL)]: ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.64 (d, *J* = 1.2 Hz, 1 H, CHO), 4.99 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1 H, one proton of OCH₂), 4.89 (d, *J* = 14.1 Hz, 1 H, one proton of OCH₂), 3.57 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 2 H, CH₂Cl), 3.02 (dd, *J*₁ = 16.2 Hz, *J*₂ = 1.5 Hz, 1 H, one proton of CH₂), 2.77 (dd, *J*₁ = 16.2 Hz, *J*₂ = 2.1 Hz, 1 H, one proton of CH₂), 2.62-2.46 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 2.17-1.97 (m, 5 H, OAc and CH₂), 1.57 (s, 3 H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 197.8, 171.0, 169.9, 158.0, 130.5, 84.6, 56.8, 49.0, 44.0,

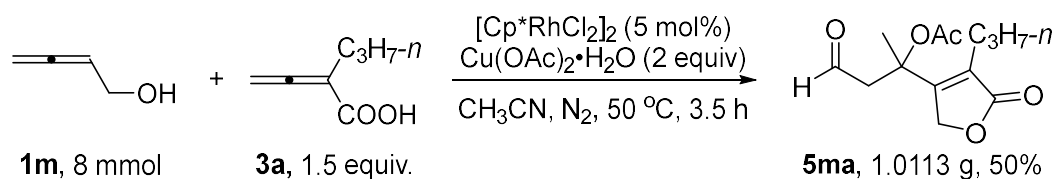
29.9, 24.7, 21.1, 20.4; IR (neat) ν (cm⁻¹) 2963, 2933, 2852, 2746, 1747, 1680, 1446, 1369, 1306, 1223, 1134, 1064; MS (EI): m/z (%) 290 [M(³⁷Cl)⁺, 0.2], 288 [M(³⁵Cl)⁺, 0.6], 43 (100); HRMS Calcd for C₁₃H₁₇O₅³⁵Cl (M⁺): 288.0765; Found: 288.0766.

4.21 Synthesis of 4-(2-acetoxy-4-oxobutan-2-yl)-3-phenethyl-2(5*H*)-furanone **5me** (fjj-2-020)



Following **Typical Procedure II**, the reaction of **1m** (69.7 mg, 1.0 mmol), **3e** (282.5 mg, 1.5 mmol), [Cp*RhCl₂]₂ (31.1 mg, 0.05 mmol), and Cu(OAc)₂·H₂O (399.3 mg, 2.0 mmol) in CH₃CN (2.7 mL) afforded **5me** (145.5 mg, 46%) as an oil [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl ether = 2/1 (1000 mL) to petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 1/1 (500 mL)]: ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.53 (t, J = 2.4 Hz, 1 H, CHO), 7.33-7.06 (m, 5 H, ArH), 4.47 (d, J = 14.4 Hz, 1 H, one proton of OCH₂), 4.30 (d, J = 14.1 Hz, 1 H, one proton of OCH₂), 2.96-2.78 (m, 3 H, one proton of CH₂ and CH₂), 2.76-2.52 (m, 3 H, one proton of CH₂ and CH₂), 2.02 (s, 3 H, OAc), 1.46 (s, 3 H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 198.1, 171.0, 169.7, 158.0, 140.1, 130.7, 128.7, 128.5, 126.4, 84.6, 56.4, 49.4, 33.4, 25.8, 24.6, 20.4; IR (neat) ν (cm⁻¹) 3062, 3027, 2934, 2864, 2747, 1747, 1721, 1603, 1496, 1455, 1368, 1223, 1047; MS (EI): m/z (%) 316 (M⁺, 3.58), 91 (100); HRMS Calcd for C₁₈H₂₀O₅ (M⁺): 316.1311; Found: 316.1312.

5. A Gram Scale Reaction

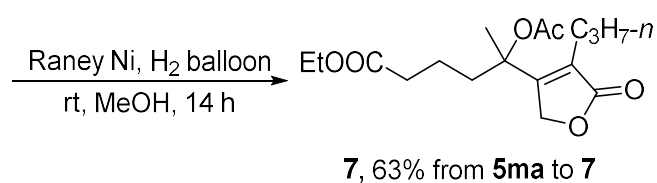
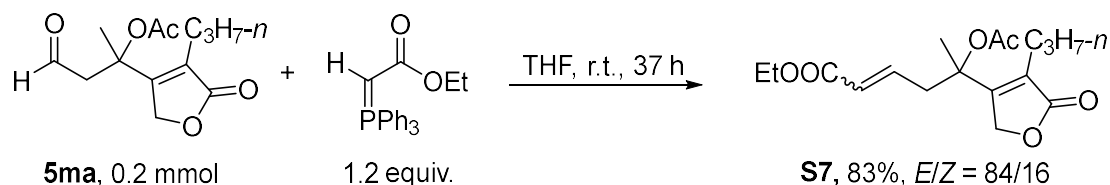


Following **Typical Procedure II**, the reaction of **1m** (559.7 mg, 8 mmol), **3a** (1514.2 mg, 12 mmol), $[\text{Cp}^*\text{RhCl}_2]_2$ (0.2473 g, 0.4 mmol), and $\text{Cu}(\text{OAc})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ (3195.3 mg, 16 mmol) in CH_3CN (21.6 mL) afforded **5ma** (1.0113 g, 50%) as an oil [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5/1 (2000 mL)]: ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) 9.63 (s, 1 H, CHO), 4.96 (d, $J = 14.1$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of OCH_2), 4.85 (d, $J = 14.1$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of OCH_2), 2.96 (d, $J = 15.9$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 2.71 (d, $J = 15.9$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 2.33 (t, 2 H, $J = 7.5$ Hz, CH_2), 2.11 (s, 3 H, OAc), 1.65-1.46 (m, 5 H, CH_2 and CH_3), 0.93 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 3 H, CH_3).

6. Synthetic Applications

6.1 Preparation of 4-(2-acetoxy-6-ethoxy-6-oxohexan-2-yl)-3-propyl-2(5*H*)-furanone

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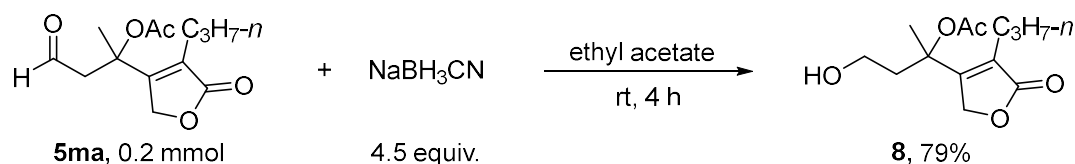


To a Schlenk tube was added ethyl (triphenylphosphoranylidene)acetate (83.9 mg, 0.24 mmol). After degassed under vacuum and backfilled with nitrogen for three times at room temperature, THF (1 mL) and **5ma** (50.1 mg, 0.2 mmol)/THF (0.5 mL) were added under nitrogen atmosphere. After being continuously stirred at room temperature for 37 h, the reaction was complete as monitored by thin layer chromatography (TLC). The reaction mixture was concentrated in vacuo and the crude residual was purified by chromatography on silica gel [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5/1 (1000 mL)] to afford the corresponding alkenoate **S7** (53.3 mg, *E/Z* = 84/16, 83%).

A Schlenk tube was degassed under vacuum and backfilled with nitrogen for three times at room temperature. Then Raney Ni (5 mg, *Note*: commercial product nickel from *Aladdin* is stabilized with water) was added and washed with MeOH for three times to remove water. Then the Schlenk tube was degassed under vacuum and backfilled with hydrogen for three times, which was followed by the addition of the

above prepared alkenoate **S7** /MeOH (2 mL) under hydrogen atmosphere. After being continuously stirred at room temperature for 14 h, the reaction was complete as monitored by thin layer chromatography (TLC). After filtration through a short column of Celite® pad eluted with ethyl acetate (20 mL × 3), the combined filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and the crude residual was purified by chromatography on silica gel (200~300 mesh) [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 8/1 (600 mL)] to afford **7** (40.7 mg, 63% from two steps) as an oil: ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.91 (d, *J* = 14.1 Hz, 1 H, one proton of OCH₂), 4.85 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1 H, one proton of OCH₂), 4.12 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2 H, OCH₂), 2.41-2.20 (m, 4 H, CH₂ × 2), 2.13 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 1.98-1.70 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 1.65-1.35 (m, 7 H, CH₂ × 2 and CH₃), 1.25 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3 H, CH₃), 0.93 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3 H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 172.8, 172.1, 170.1, 157.4, 131.7, 87.0, 60.3, 57.1, 36.7, 33.6, 25.6, 24.4, 21.5, 20.5, 18.5, 14.1, 13.7; IR (neat) ν (cm⁻¹) 2963, 2935, 2874, 1748, 1456, 1372, 1222, 1028; MS (EI): *m/z* (%) 326 (M⁺, 23.9), 151 (100); HRMS Calcd for C₁₇H₂₆O₆ (M)⁺: 326.1729; Found: 326.1730.

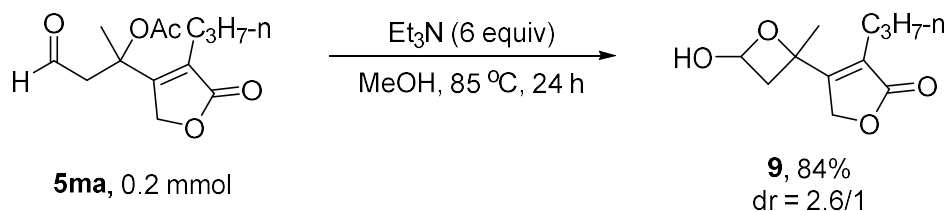
6.2 Preparation of 4-(2-acetoxy-4-hydroxybutan-2-yl)-3-propyl-2(5*H*)-furanone **8**⁴ (fjj-2-090)



To a dry Schlenk tube were added **5ma** (49.6 mg, 0.2 mmol) and ethyl acetate (2 mL). Sodium cyanoborohydride (57.4 mg, 4.5 mmol) was added in three portions (13.2

mg, 14.2 mg, and 30.0 mg) every hour. After being continuously stirred at room temperature for 4 h, the reaction was complete as monitored by thin layer chromatography (TLC). After filtration through a short column of silica gel eluted with ethyl acetate (20 mL \times 3), the combined filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and the crude residual was purified by chromatography on silica gel (200~300 mesh) [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 2/1 (1500 mL)] to afford **8** (39.5 mg, 79%) as an oil: ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 4.92 (s, 2 H, OCH_2), 3.73-3.48 (m, 2 H, OCH_2), 2.31 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 2 H, CH_2), 2.23-1.93 (m, 6 H, CH_3 , CH_2 , and OH), 1.64-1.42 (m, 5 H, CH_2 and CH_3), 0.93 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 3 H, CH_3); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 172.3, 170.2, 158.6, 130.9, 86.3, 57.6, 57.5, 39.8, 25.6, 24.7, 21.4, 20.6, 13.7; IR (neat) ν (cm^{-1}) 3478, 2963, 2934, 2875, 1747, 1674, 1455, 1379, 1367, 1122, 1138, 1053, 1031; MS (EI): m/z (%) 256 (M^+ , 4.51), 43 (100); HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}_5$ (M^+): 256.1311; Found: 256.1312.

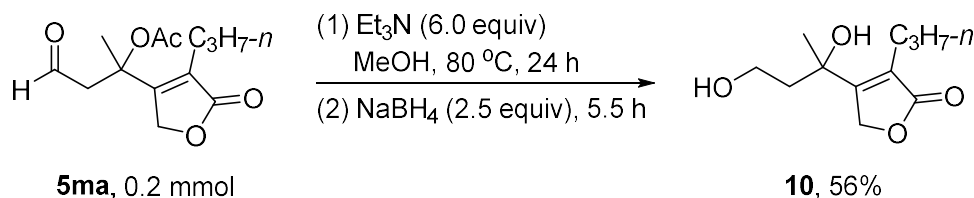
6.3 Preparation of 4-(4-hydroxy-2-methyloxetan-2-yl)-3-propyl-2(5*H*)-furanone **9**. (fjj-2-098, fjj-2-162)



To a dry Schlenk tube were added **5ma** (51.1 mg, 0.2 mmol), MeOH (4 mL), and Et₃N (166 μL , 1.2 mmol) sequentially. After being continuously stirred at 85 °C for 24

h, the reaction was complete as monitored by thin layer chromatography (TLC). After filtration through a short column of silica gel eluted with ethyl acetate (20 mL \times 3), the combined filtrate was then concentrated in vacuo and the crude residual was purified by chromatography on silica gel (200~300 mesh) [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5/1 (300 mL) to 3/1 (500 mL)] to afford **9** (35.7 mg, 84%, dr = 2.6:1) as an oil: ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3) δ [5.43 (t, J = 4.2 Hz, 0.67 H), 5.12-5.05 (m, 0.27 H), OCHO], [4.73 (d, J = 13.8 Hz, 0.27 H), 4.64 (d, J = 12.6 Hz, 0.72 H), one proton of OCH_2], [4.44 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 0.72 H), 4.28 (d, J = 14.4 Hz, 0.28 H), one proton of OCH_2], [3.00 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 0.22 H), 2.74-2.65 (m, 0.59 H), OH], [2.54 (dd, J_1 = 15.0 Hz, J_2 = 3.0 Hz, 0.28 H), 2.46 (d, J = 13.2 Hz, 0.70 H), one proton of CH_2], 2.33-2.19 (m, 2 H, CH_2), [1.94-1.84 (m, 0.7 H, one proton of CH_2), 1.74-1.66 (m, 2.38 H, CH_3 and one proton of CH_2), 1.64-1.47 (m, 3.94 H, CH_3 and CH_2)], 0.91 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3 H, CH_3); IR (neat) ν (cm^{-1}) 3419, 2962, 2929, 2873, 1751, 1732, 1457, 1337, 1212, 1188, 1062, 1004; MS (EI): m/z (%) 212 (M^+ , 3.1), 43 (100); HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{16}\text{O}_4$ (M^+): 212.1049; Found: 212.1050.

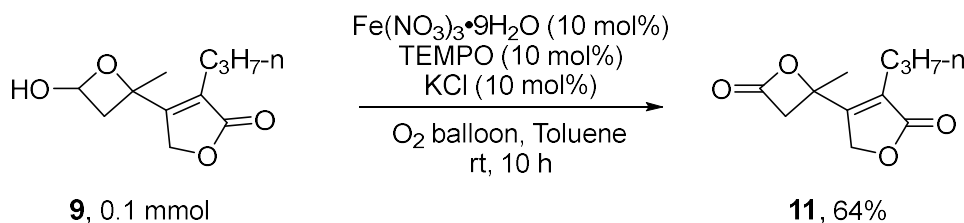
6.5 Preparation of 4-(2,4-dihydroxybutan-2-yl)-3-propyl-2(5*H*)-furanone **10**. (fjj-2-180)



To a dry Schlenk tube were added **5ma** (51.0 mg, 0.2 mmol), MeOH (4 mL), and

Et₃N (166 μL, 1.2 mmol) sequentially. After being continuously stirred at 80 °C for 24 h, the resulting mixture was cooled to room temperature and treated with NaBH₄ (19.0 mg, 0.5 mmol). After being continuously stirred at room temperature for 5.5 h, the reaction was complete as monitored by thin layer chromatography (TLC). After filtration through a short column of silica gel eluted with ethyl acetate (10 mL × 3), the combined filtrate was then concentrated in vacuo and the crude residual was purified by chromatography on silica gel (200~300 mesh) [eluent: dichloromethane/ methanol = 50/1 (800 mL)] to afford **10** (24.2 mg, 56%) as an oil: ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) 4.62 (d, *J* = 14.1 Hz, 1 H, one proton of OCH₂), 4.29 (d, *J* = 14.1 Hz, 2 H, one proton of OCH₂ and OH), 3.76-3.58 (m, 1 H, one proton of CH₂), 3.47 (t, *J* = 10.5 Hz, 1 H, one proton of CH₂), 3.18 (bs, 1 H, OH), 2.39-2.08 (m, 4 H, CH₂ × 2), 1.70-1.36 (m, 5 H, CH₂ and CH₃), 0.91 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 3 H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 173.4, 164.6, 128.2, 86.3, 56.8, 56.5, 39.7, 25.4, 25.0, 21.5, 13.7; IR (neat) ν (cm⁻¹) 3428, 2962, 2929, 2874, 1729, 1668, 1456, 1379, 1315, 1181, 1136, 1051; MS (EI): *m/z* (%) 214 (M⁺, 5.1), 43 (100); HRMS Calcd for C₁₁H₁₈O₄ (M⁺): 214.1205; Found: 214.1207.

6.4 Preparation of 4-(β-methyl-β-lactonyl)-3-propyl-2(5*H*)-furanone **11**⁵ (fjj-4-014)



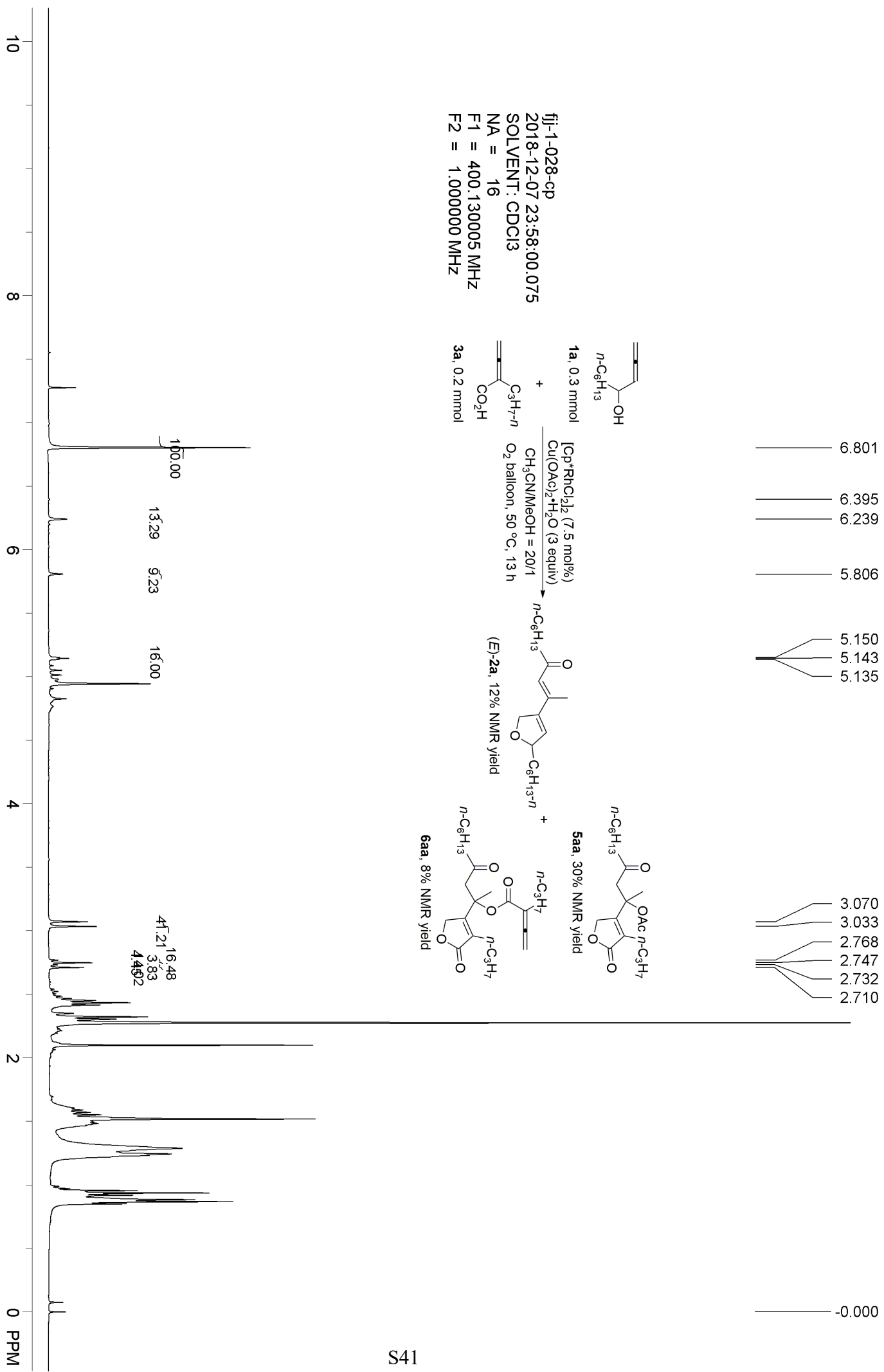
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mg, 0.01 mmol), and KCl (0.9 mg, 0.01 mmol) was degassed under vacuum and backfilled with oxygen for three times. Then **9** (22.1 mg, 0.1 mmol) and toluene (0.5 mL) were added under oxygen atmosphere sequentially. After being continuously stirred at room temperature for 10 h, the reaction was complete as monitored by thin layer chromatography (TLC). After filtration through a short column of silica gel eluted with ethyl acetate (20 mL \times 3), the combined filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and the crude residual was purified by chromatography on silica gel (200~300 mesh) [eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5/1 (600 mL)] to afford **11** (14.1 mg, 64%) as an oil: ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) 5.31 (d, $J = 15.6$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of OCH_2), 5.18 (d, $J = 15.3$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of OCH_2), 3.26 (d, $J = 16.8$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 2.65 (d, $J = 17.1$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 2.45-2.15 (m, 2 H, CH_2), 1.73-1.47 (m, 5 H, CH_2 and CH_3), 0.93 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 3 H, CH_3); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 171.0, 165.7, 153.6, 127.9, 79.6, 63.5, 44.2, 25.7, 23.4, 21.0, 13.6; IR (neat) ν (cm^{-1}) 2963, 2934, 2874, 1747, 1457, 1384, 1310, 1238, 1182, 1115, 1061, 1035; MS (EI): m/z (%) 210 (M^+ , 15.0), 167 (100); HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{14}\text{O}_4$ (M^+): 210.0892; Found: 210.0893.

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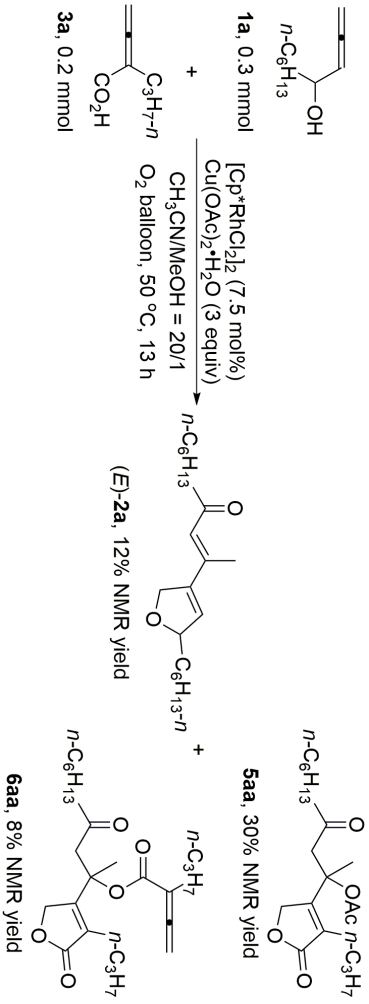
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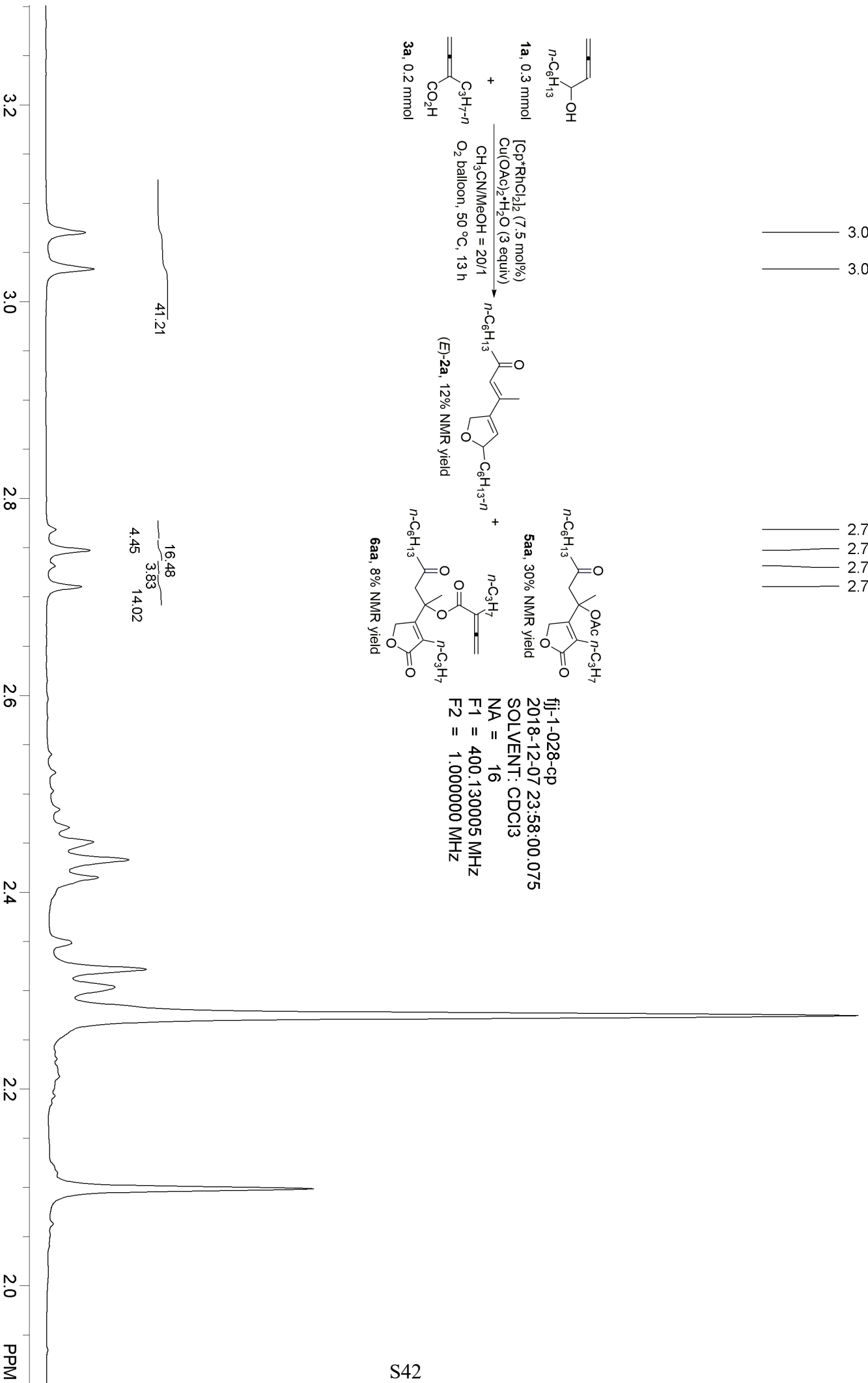


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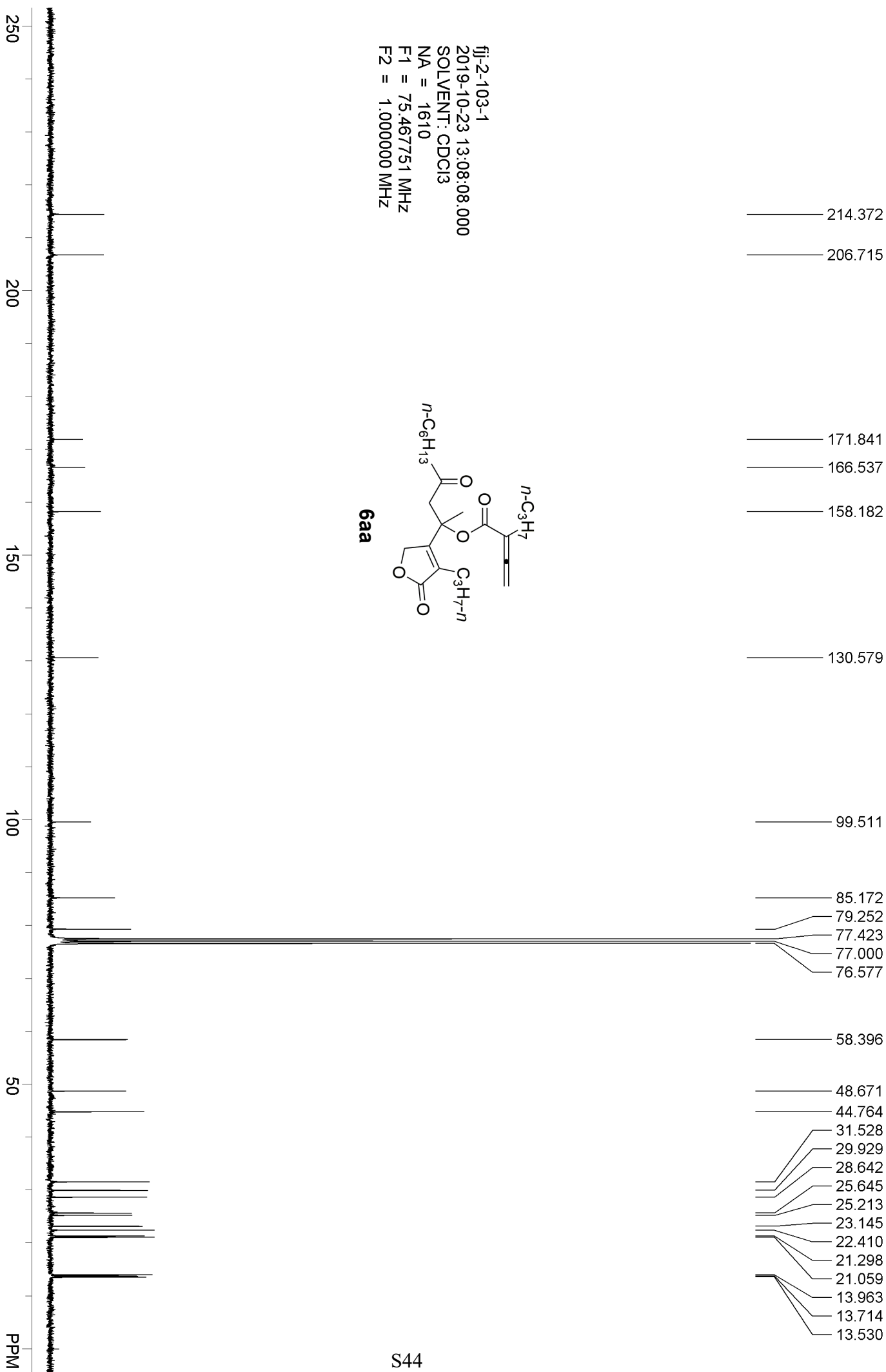
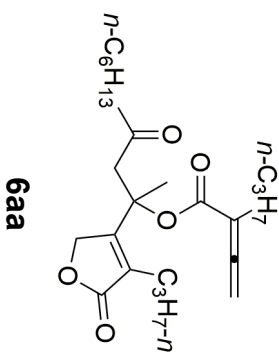
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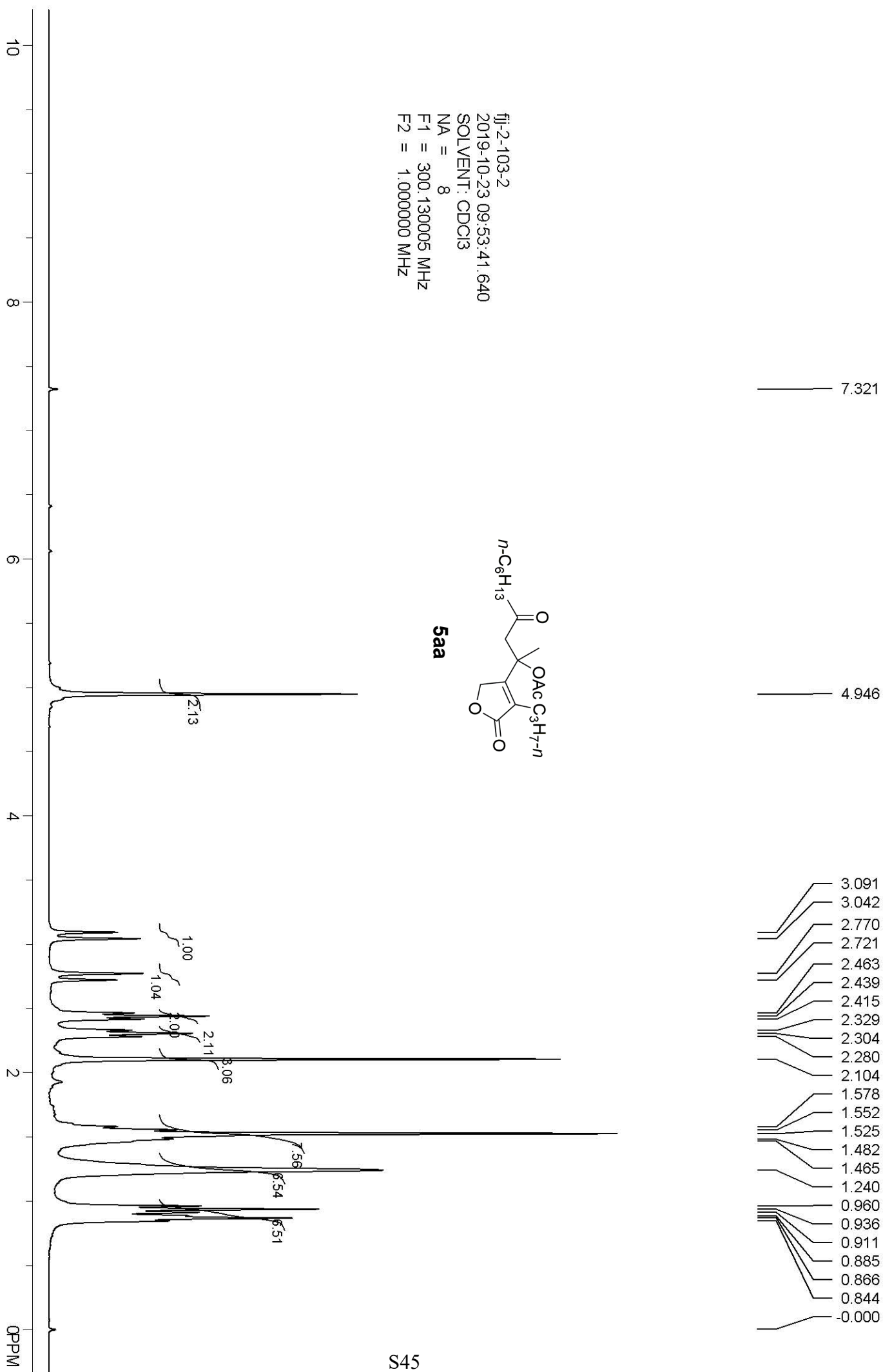
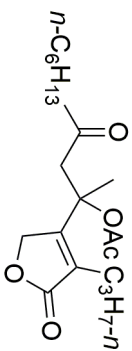
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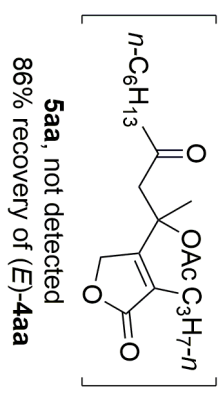
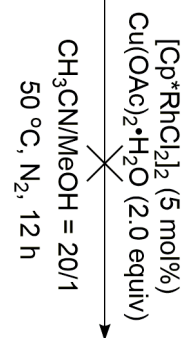
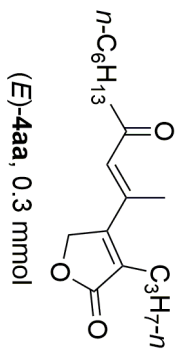


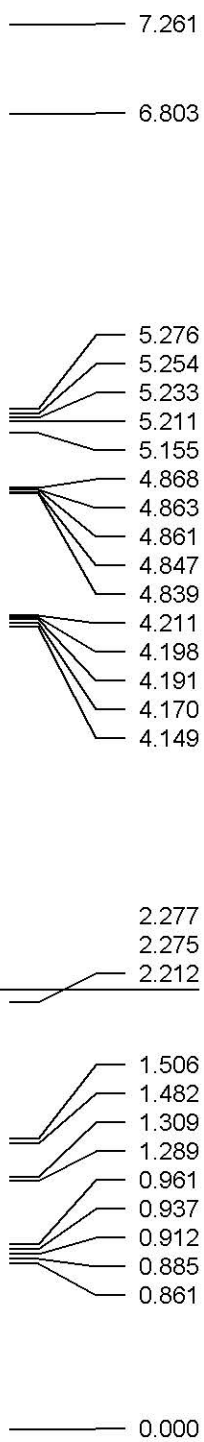
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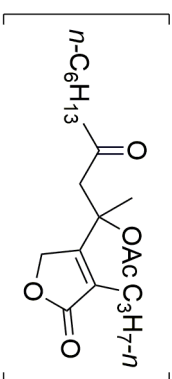
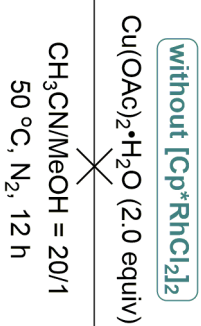
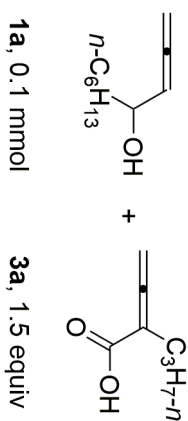


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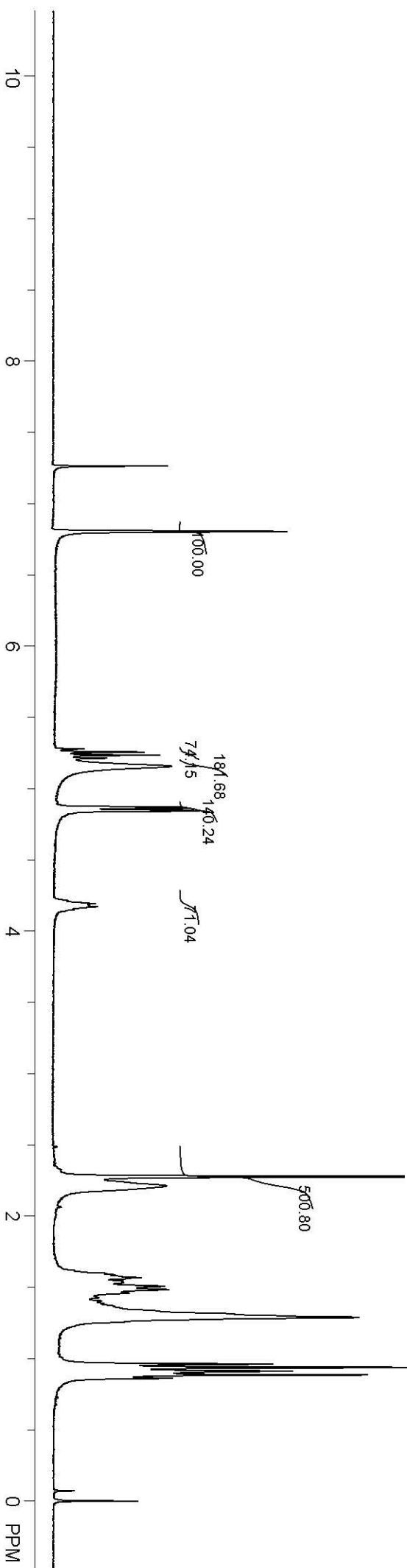




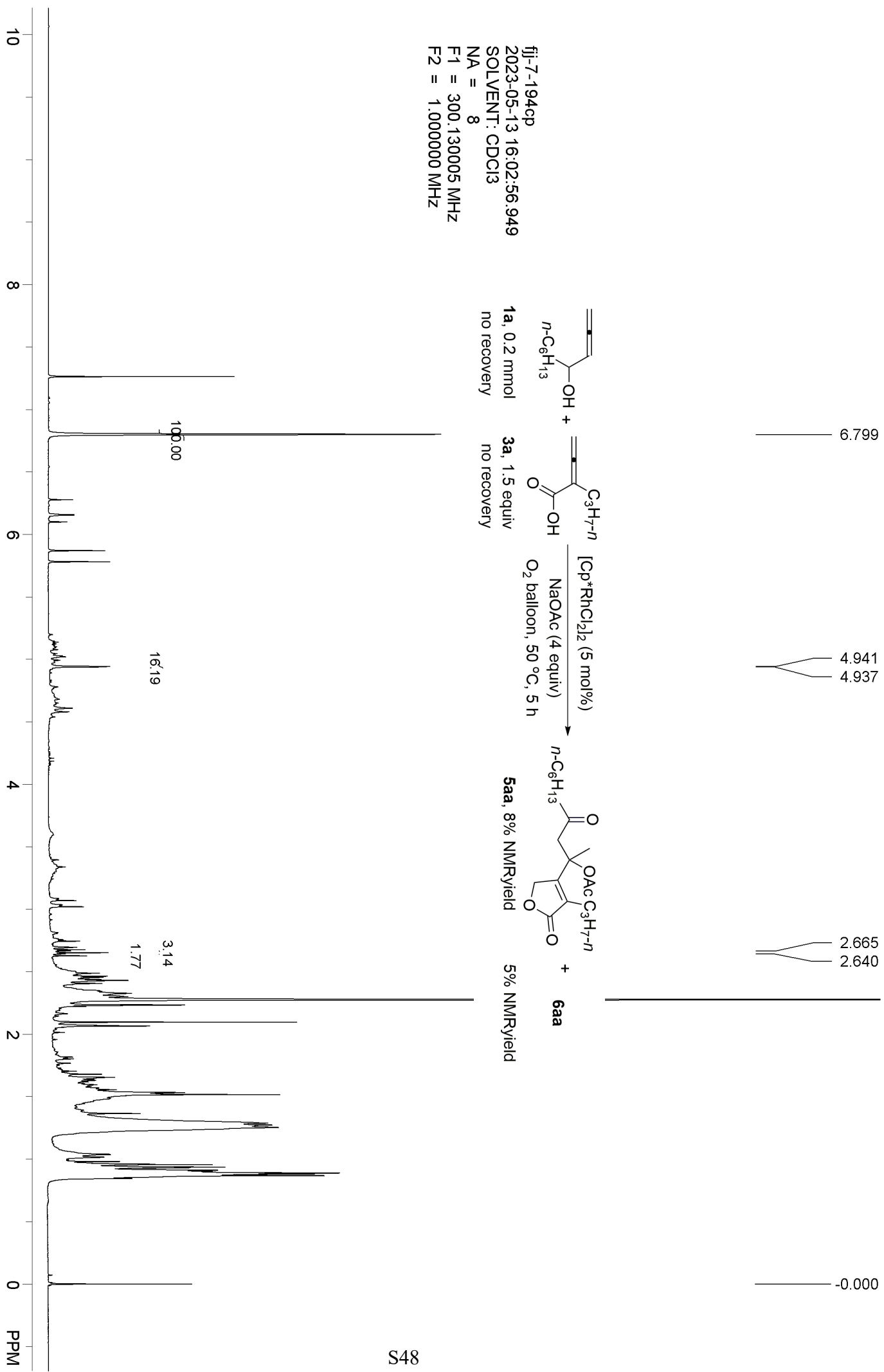
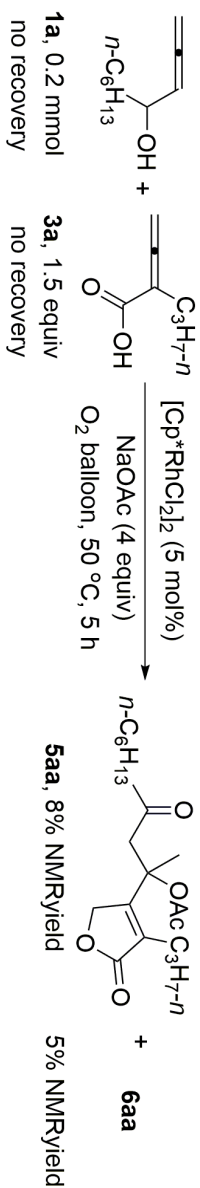
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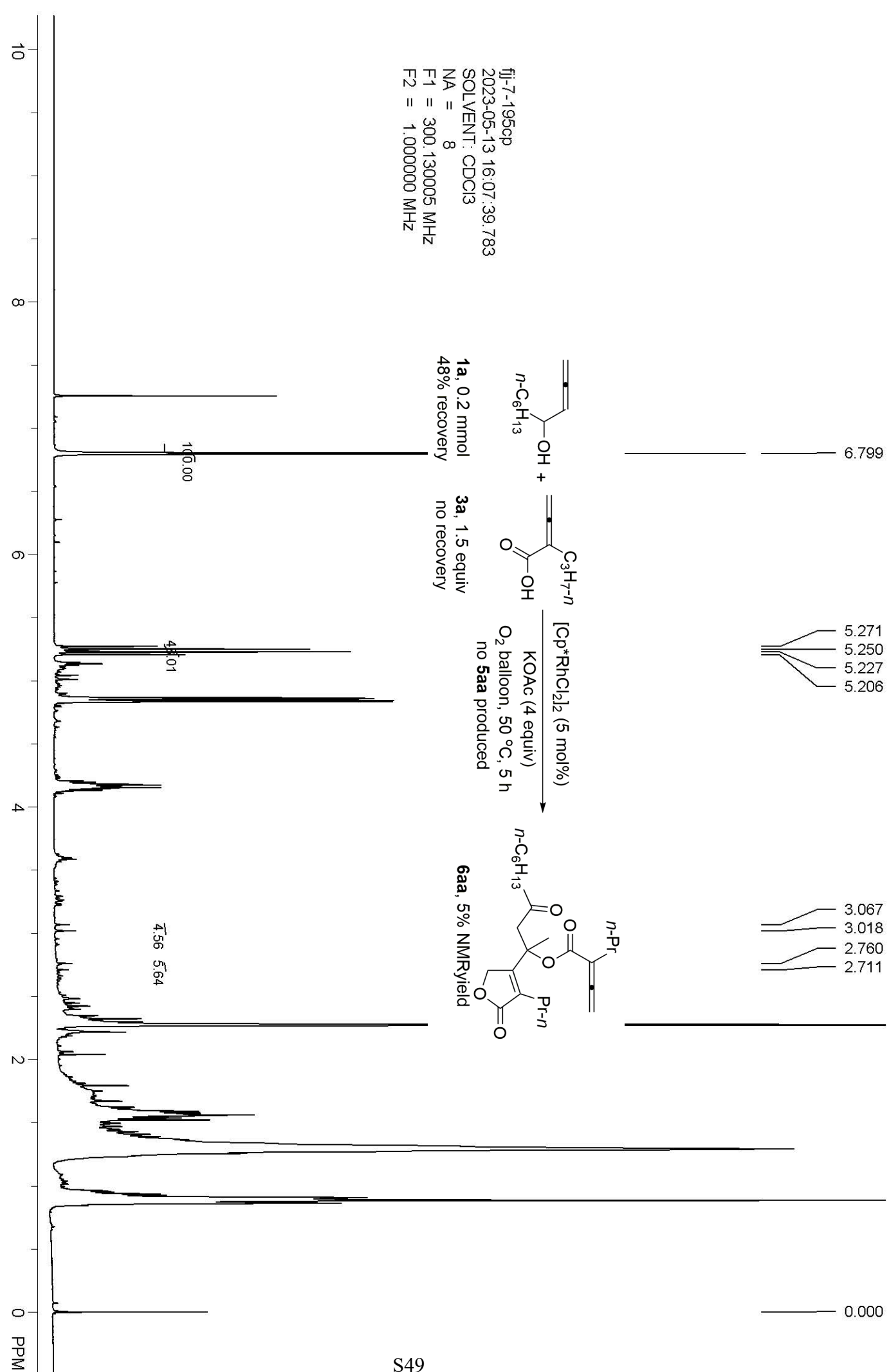
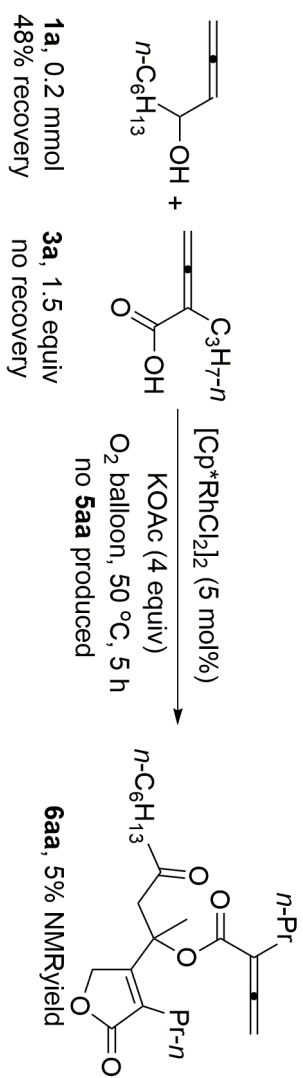
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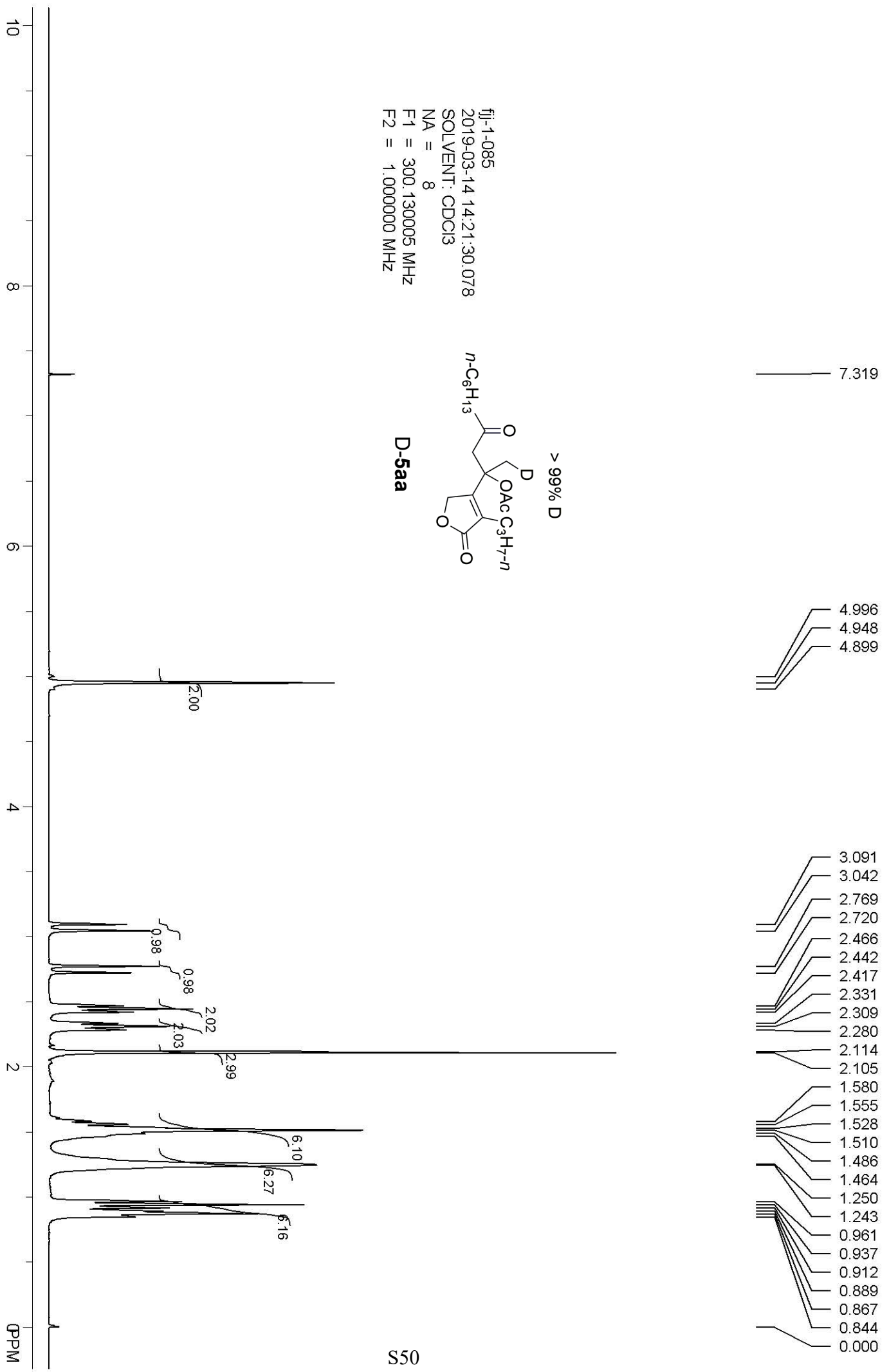
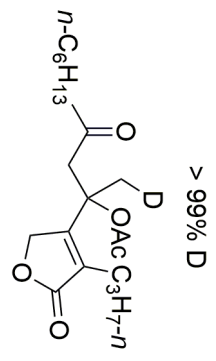
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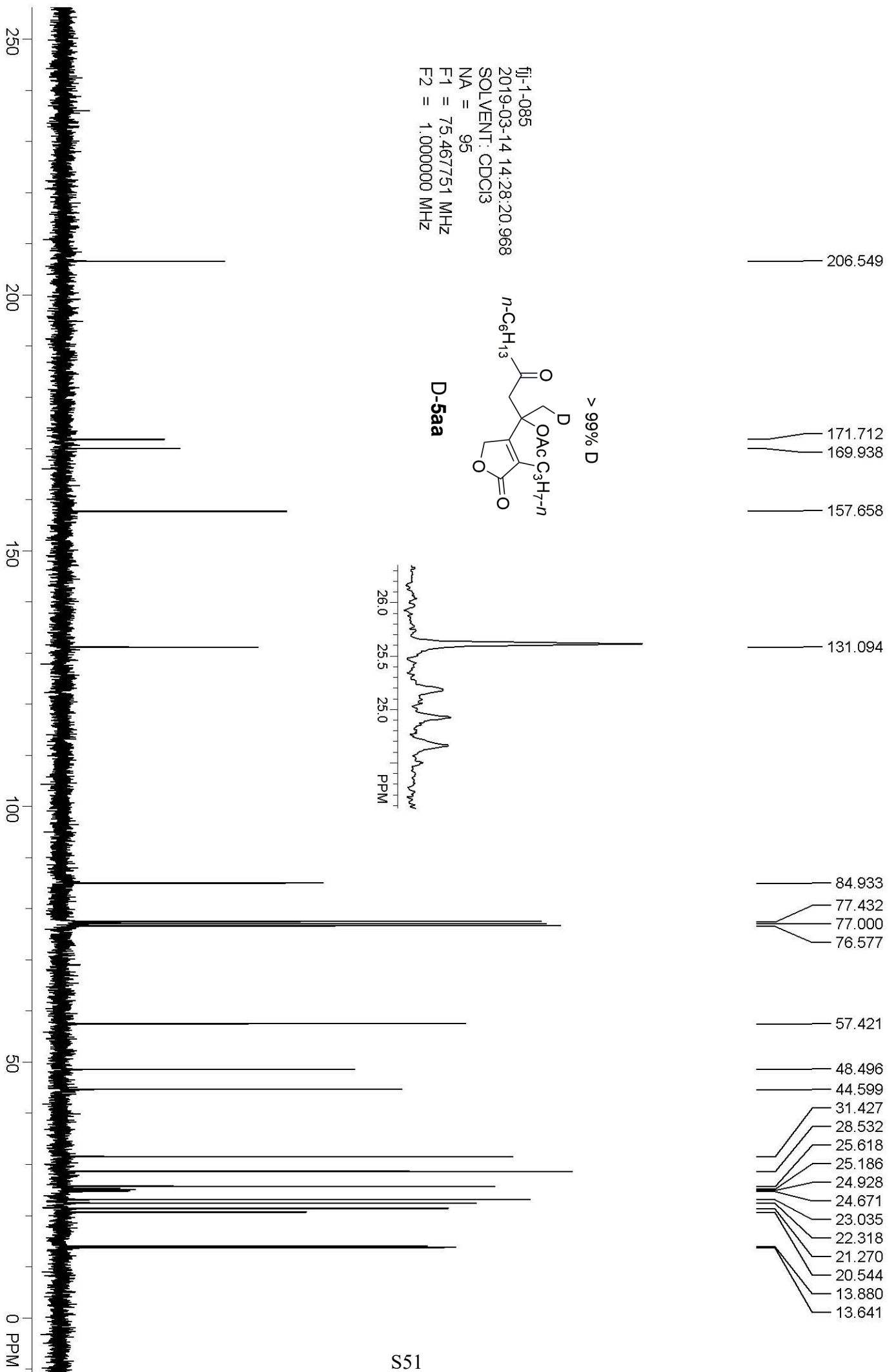


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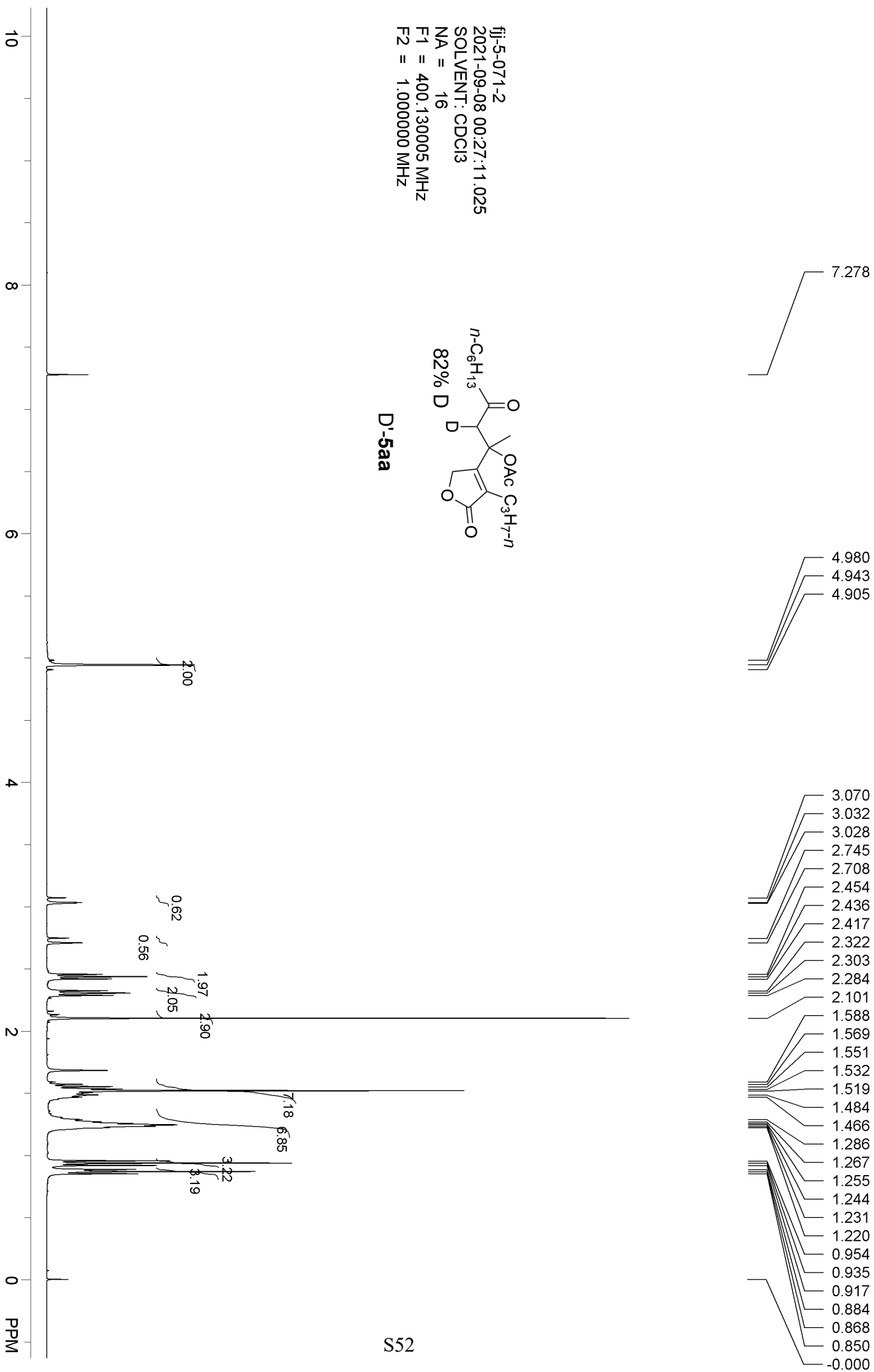
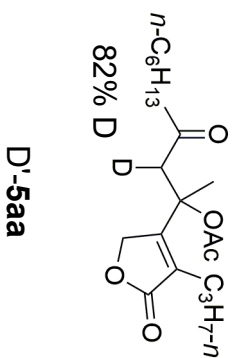


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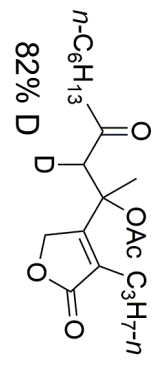




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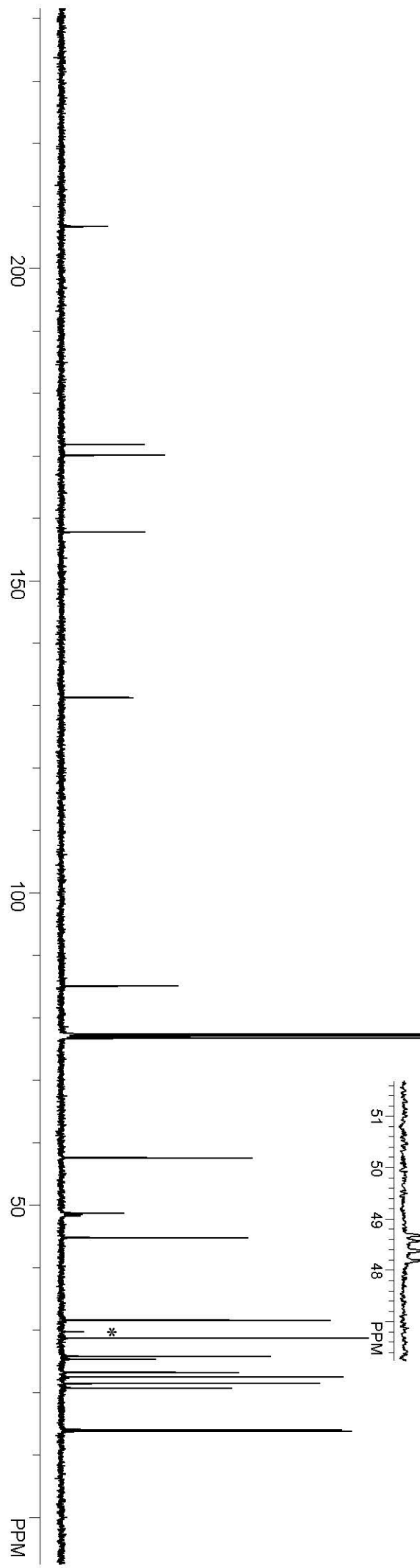
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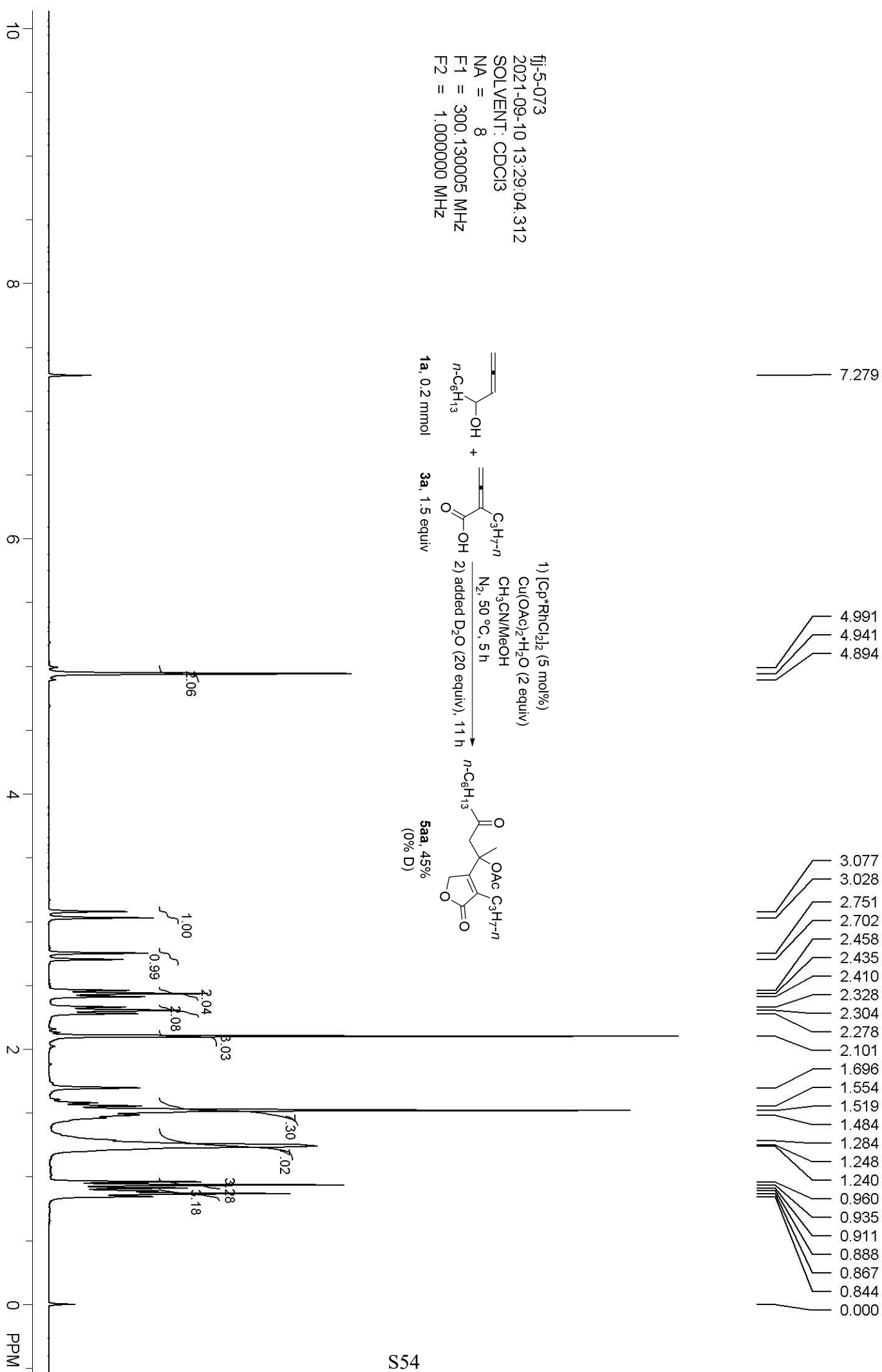
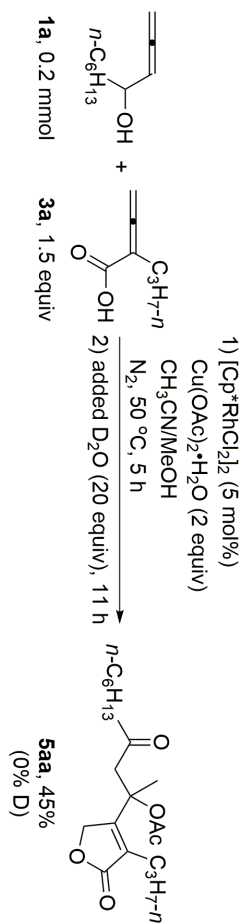
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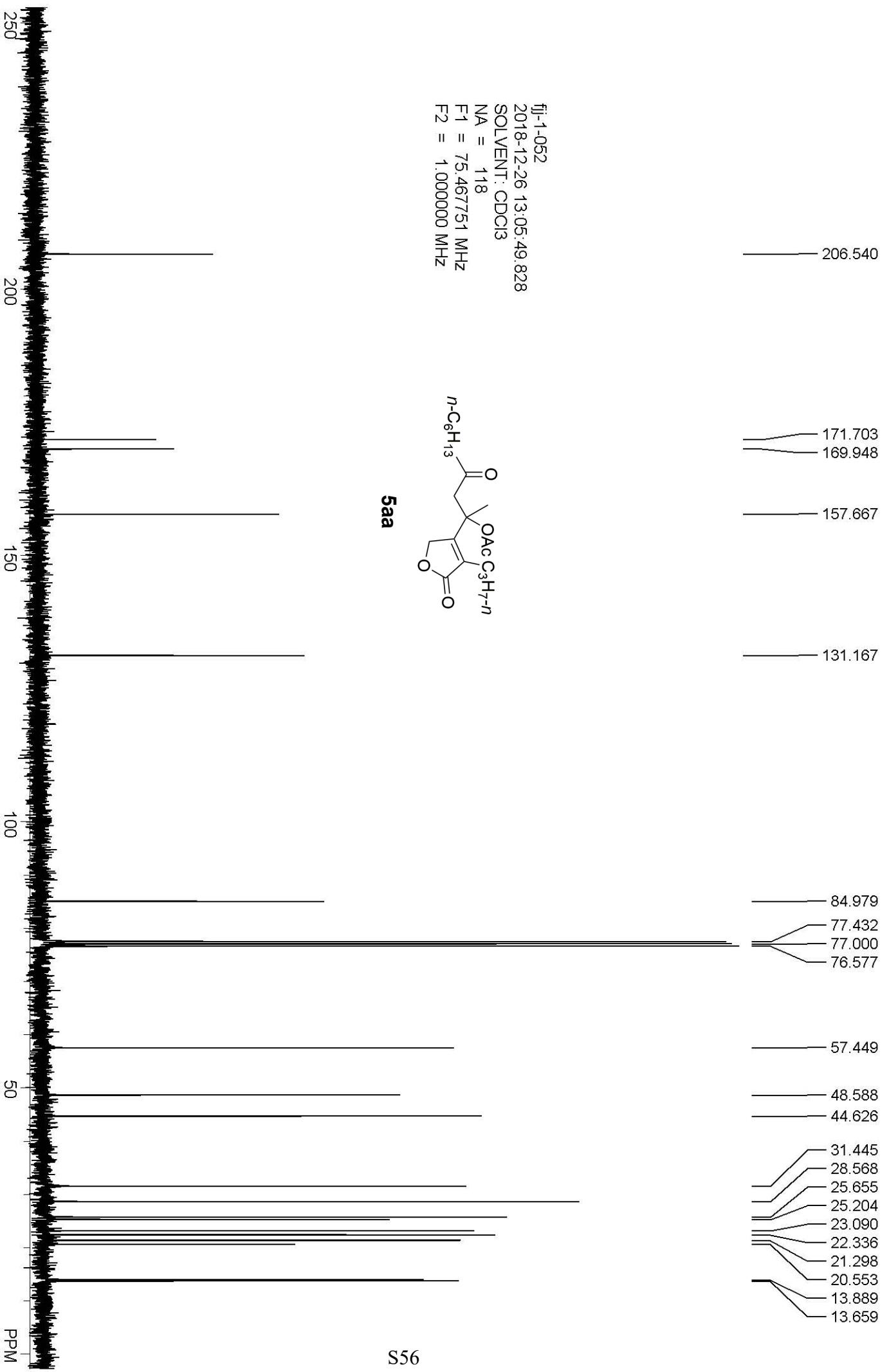
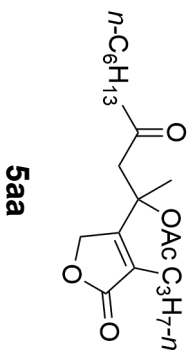
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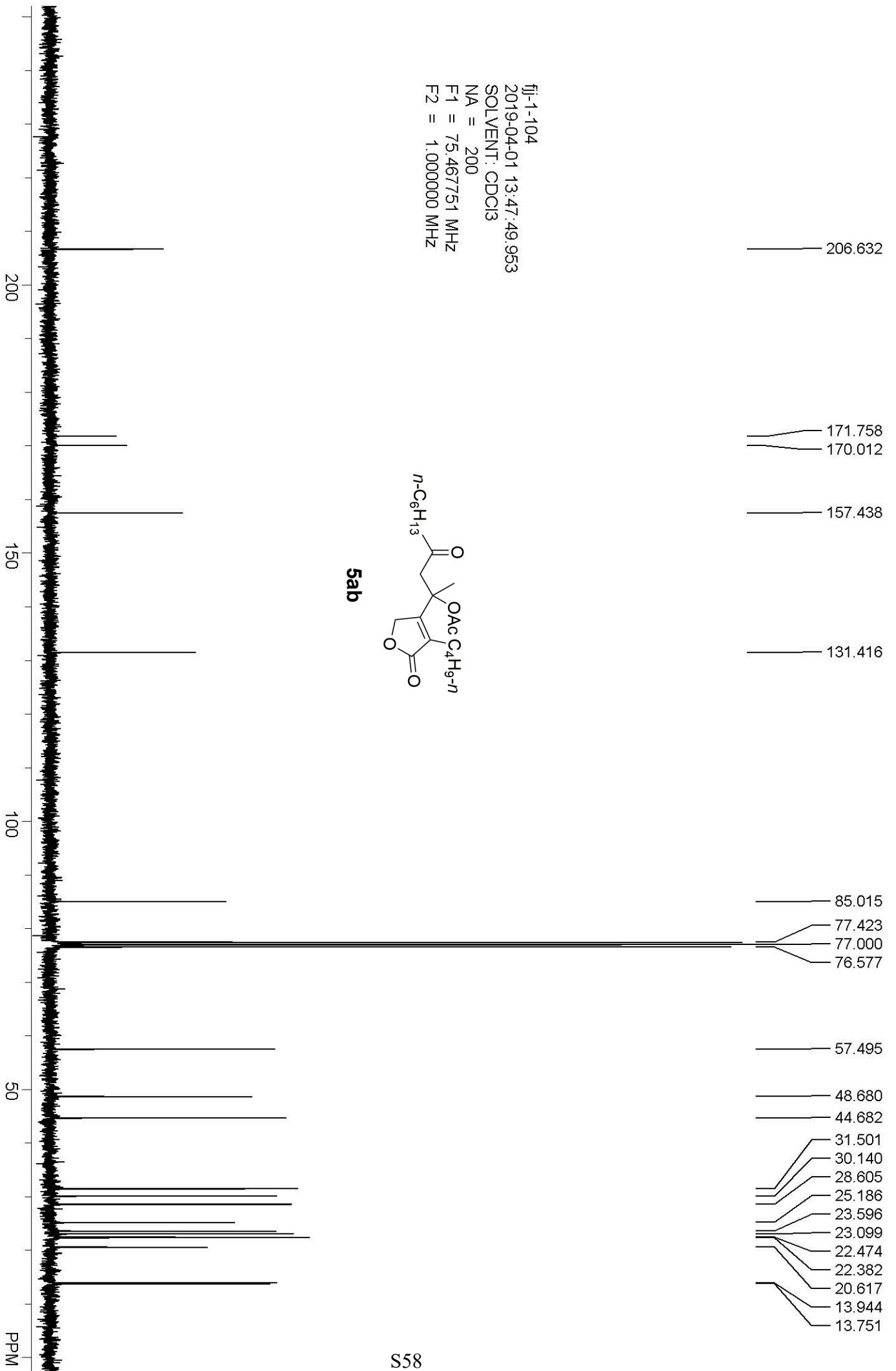
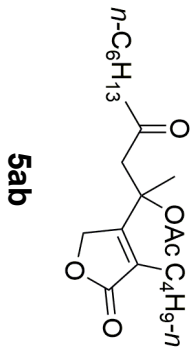
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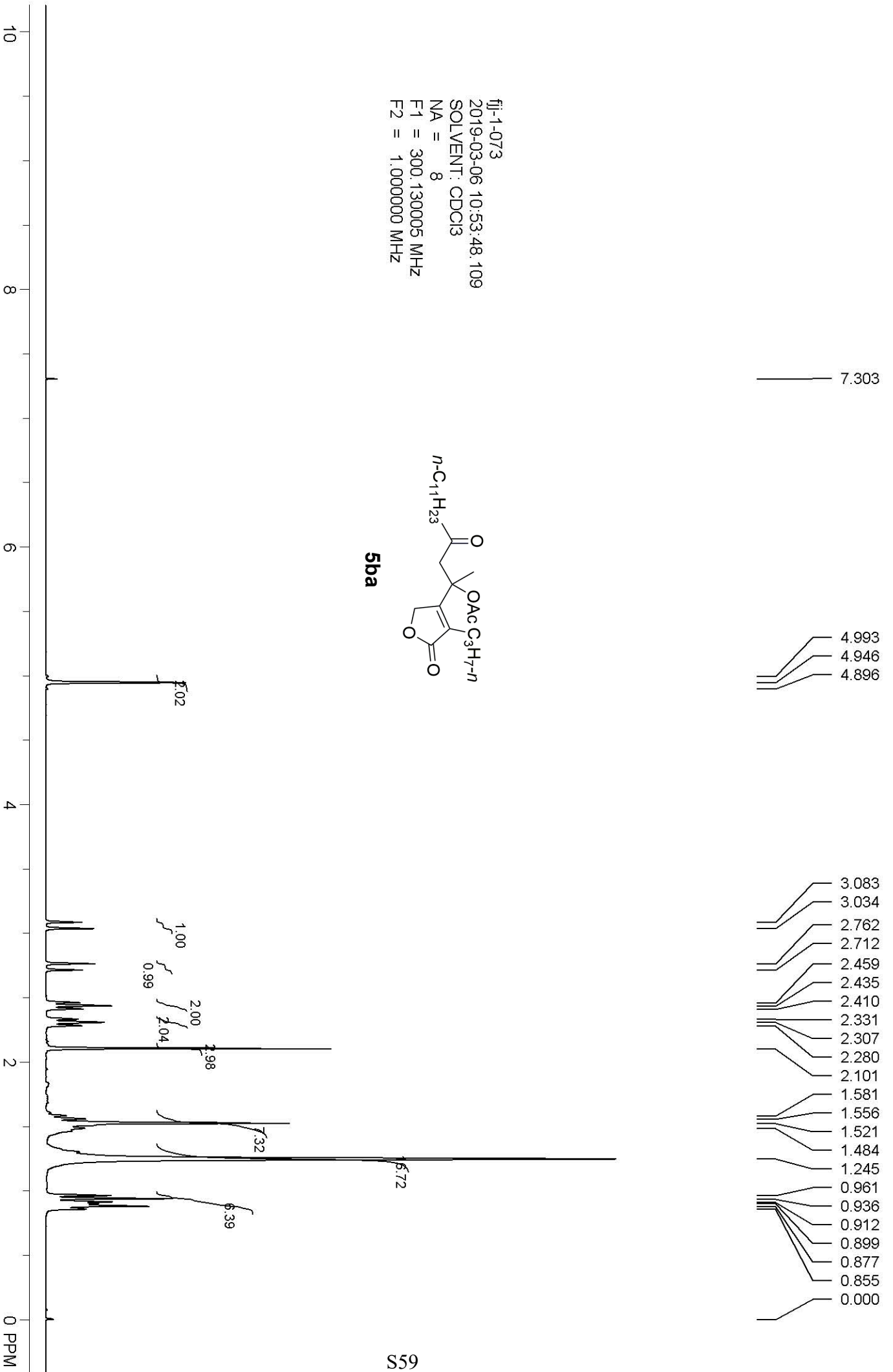
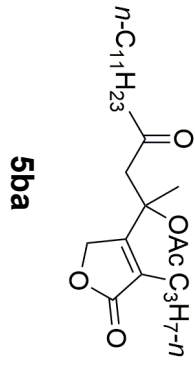
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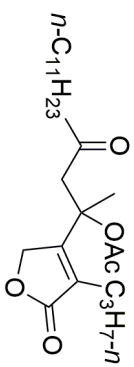
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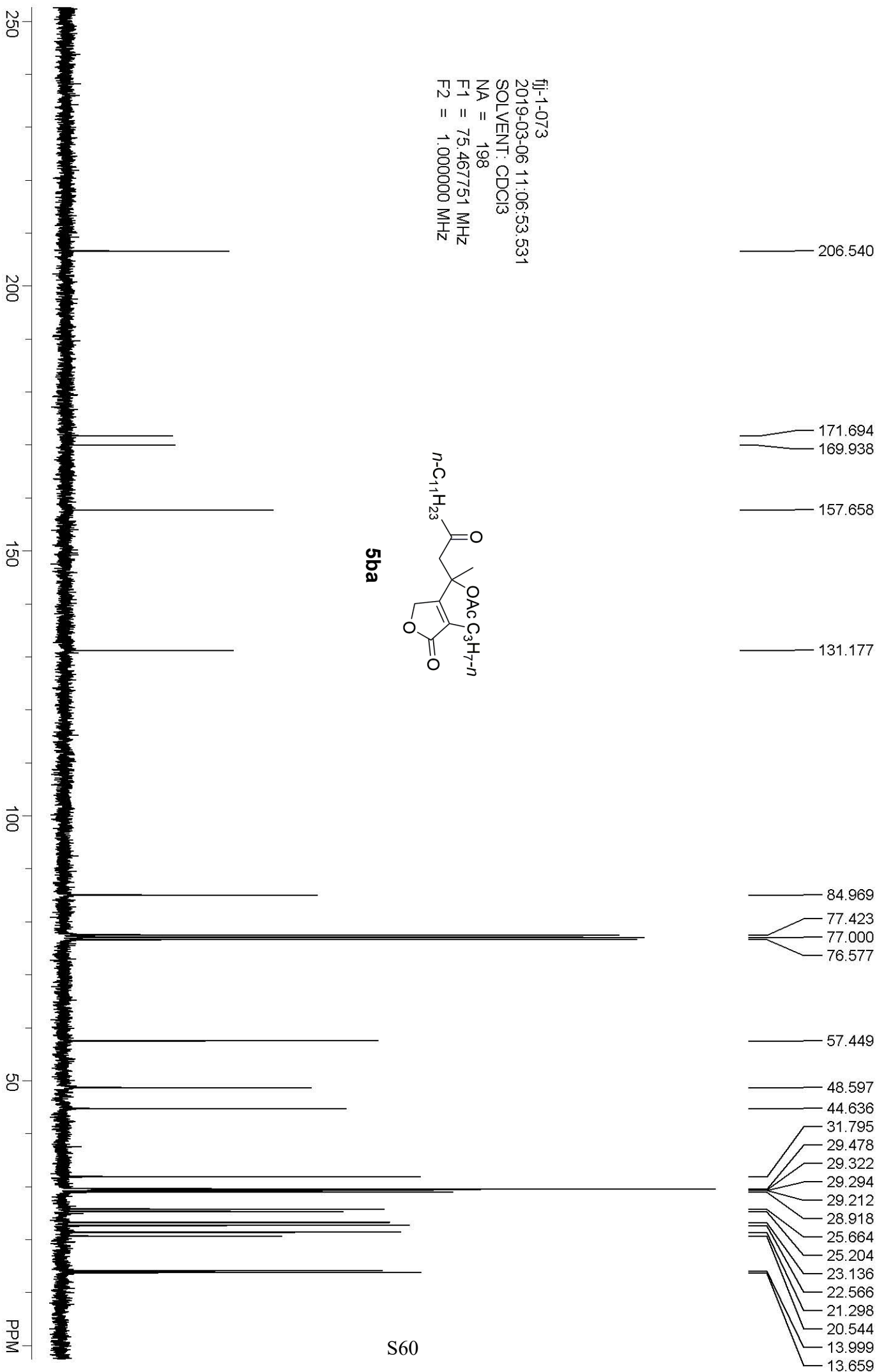
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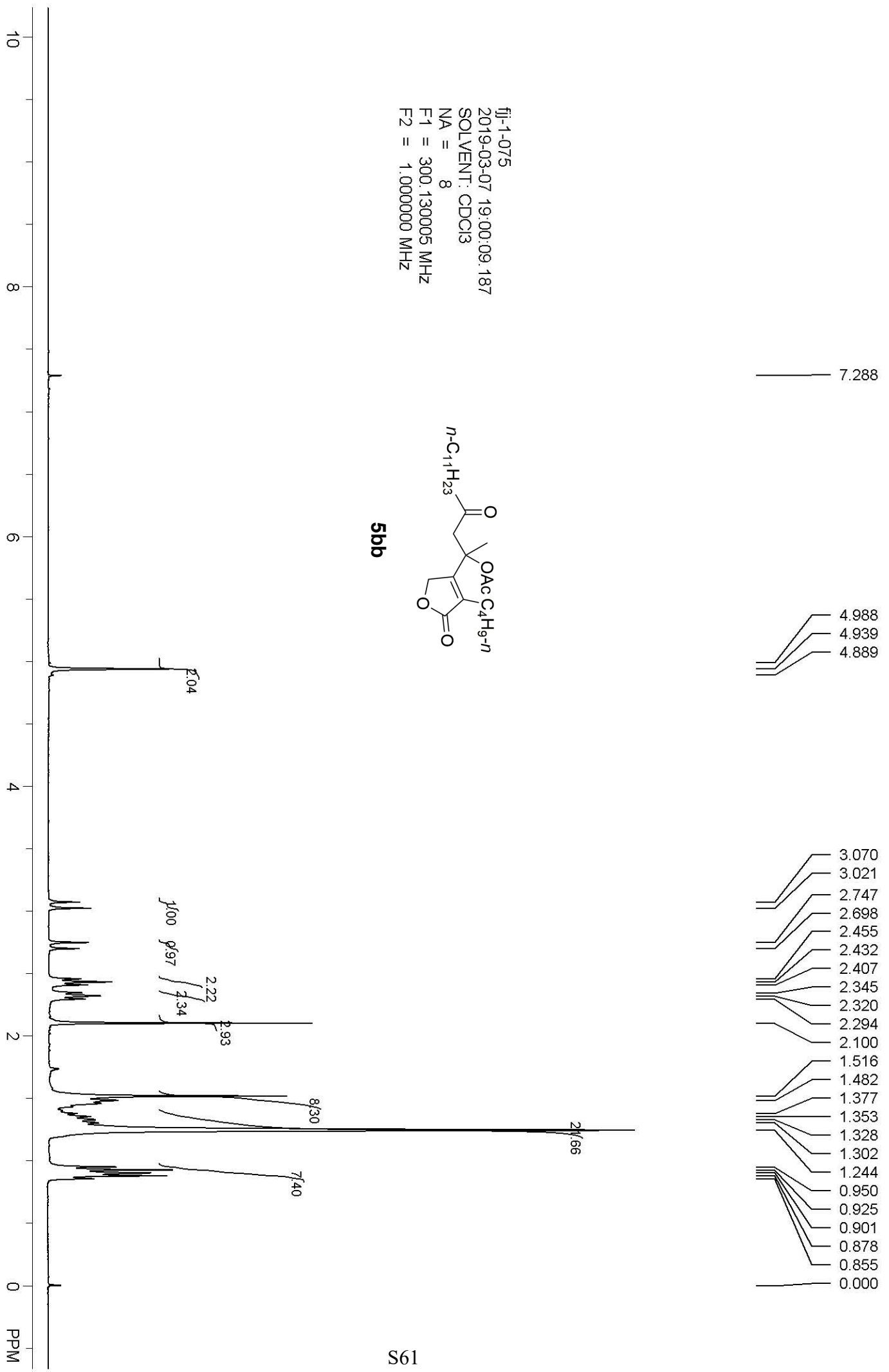
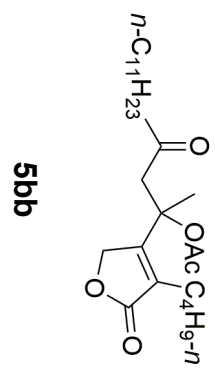
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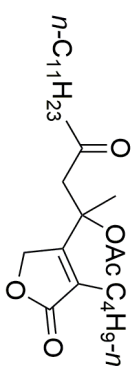
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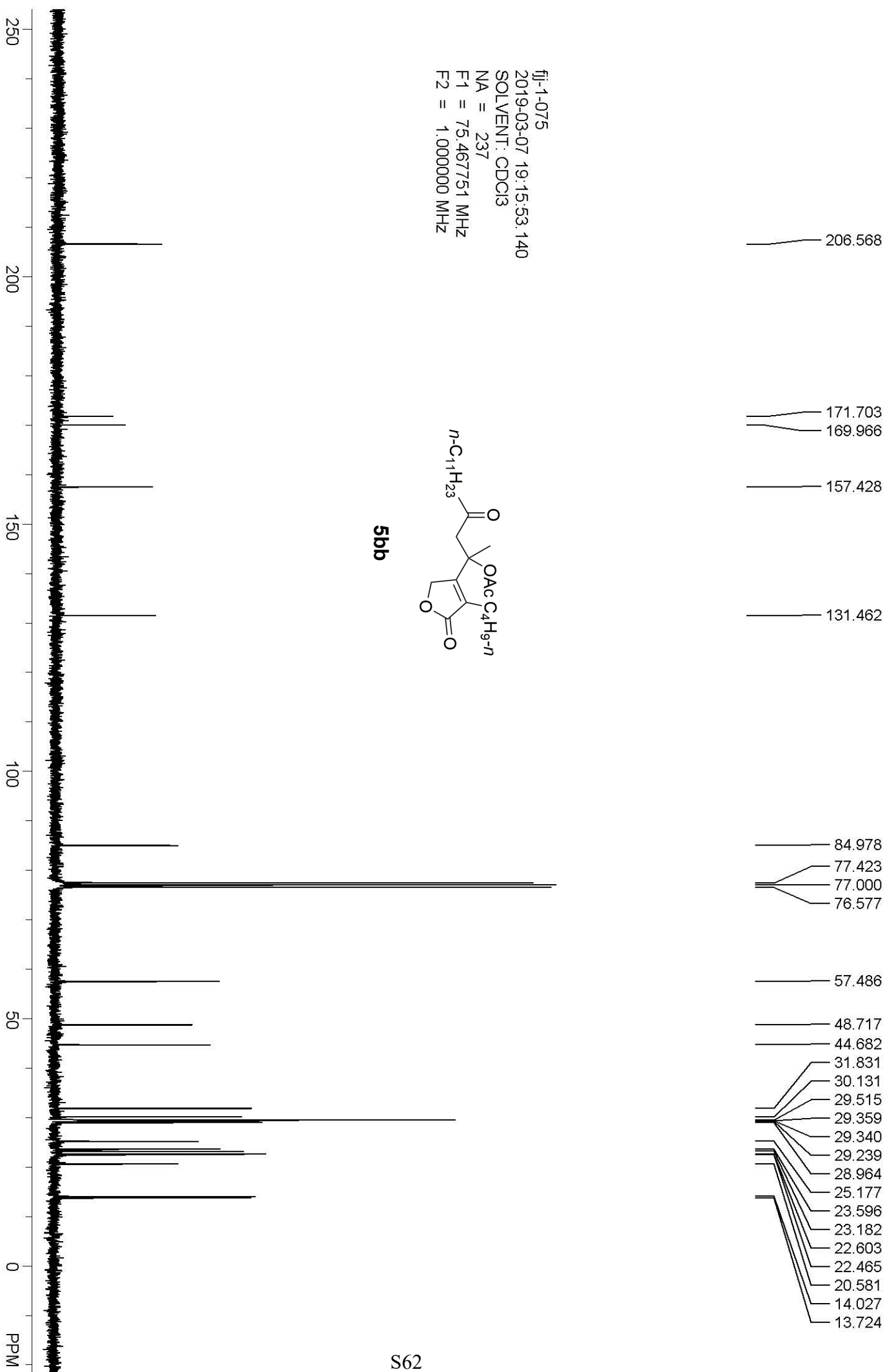
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2019-03-07 19:00:09.187
SOLVENT: CDCl3
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F1 = 300.130005 MHz
F2 = 1.000000 MHz



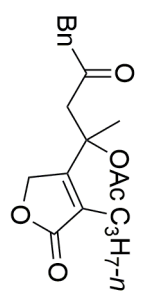
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2019-03-07 19:15:53.140
SOLVENT: CDCl3
NA = 237
F1 = 75.467751 MHz
F2 = 1.000000 MHz



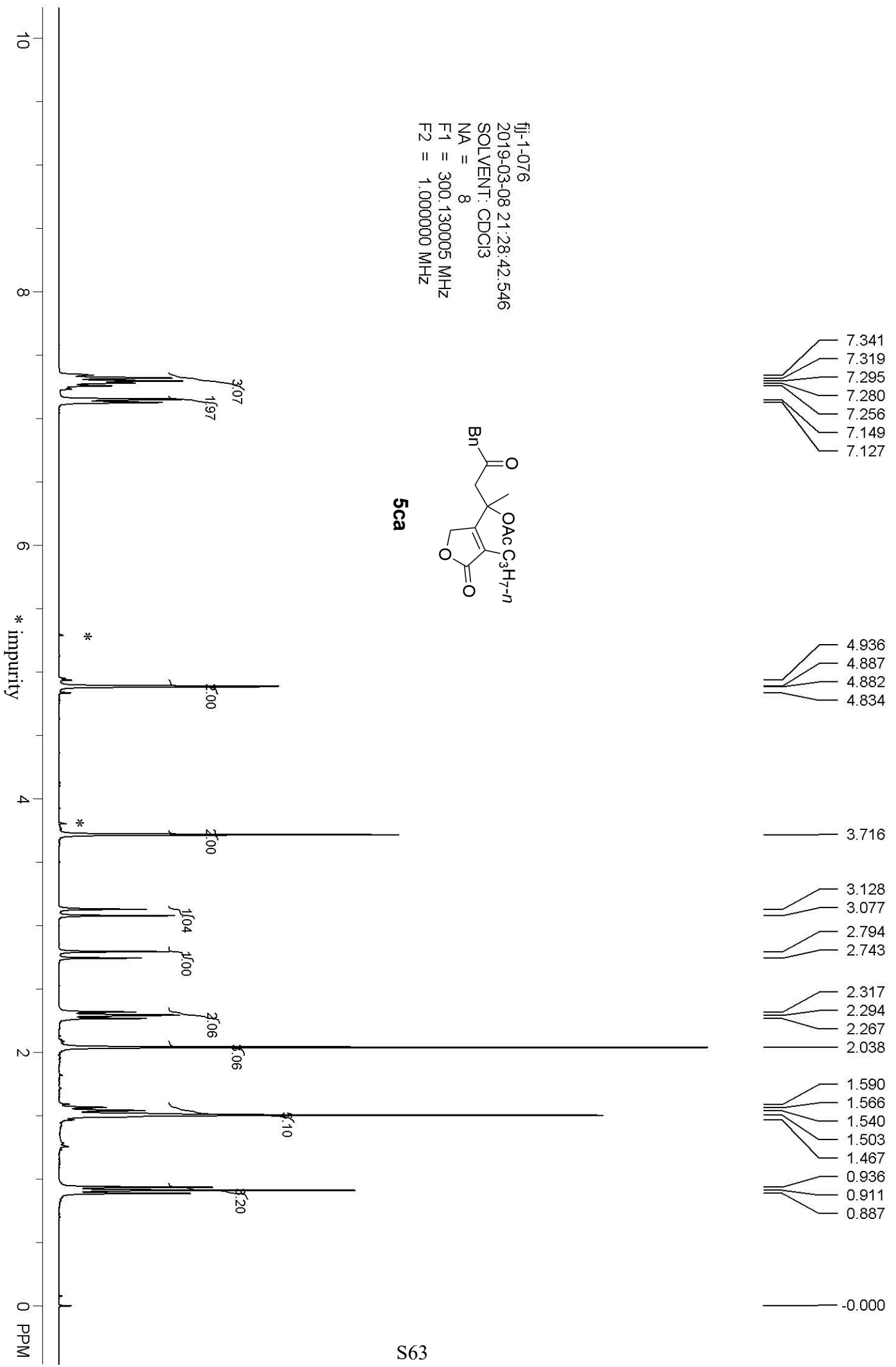
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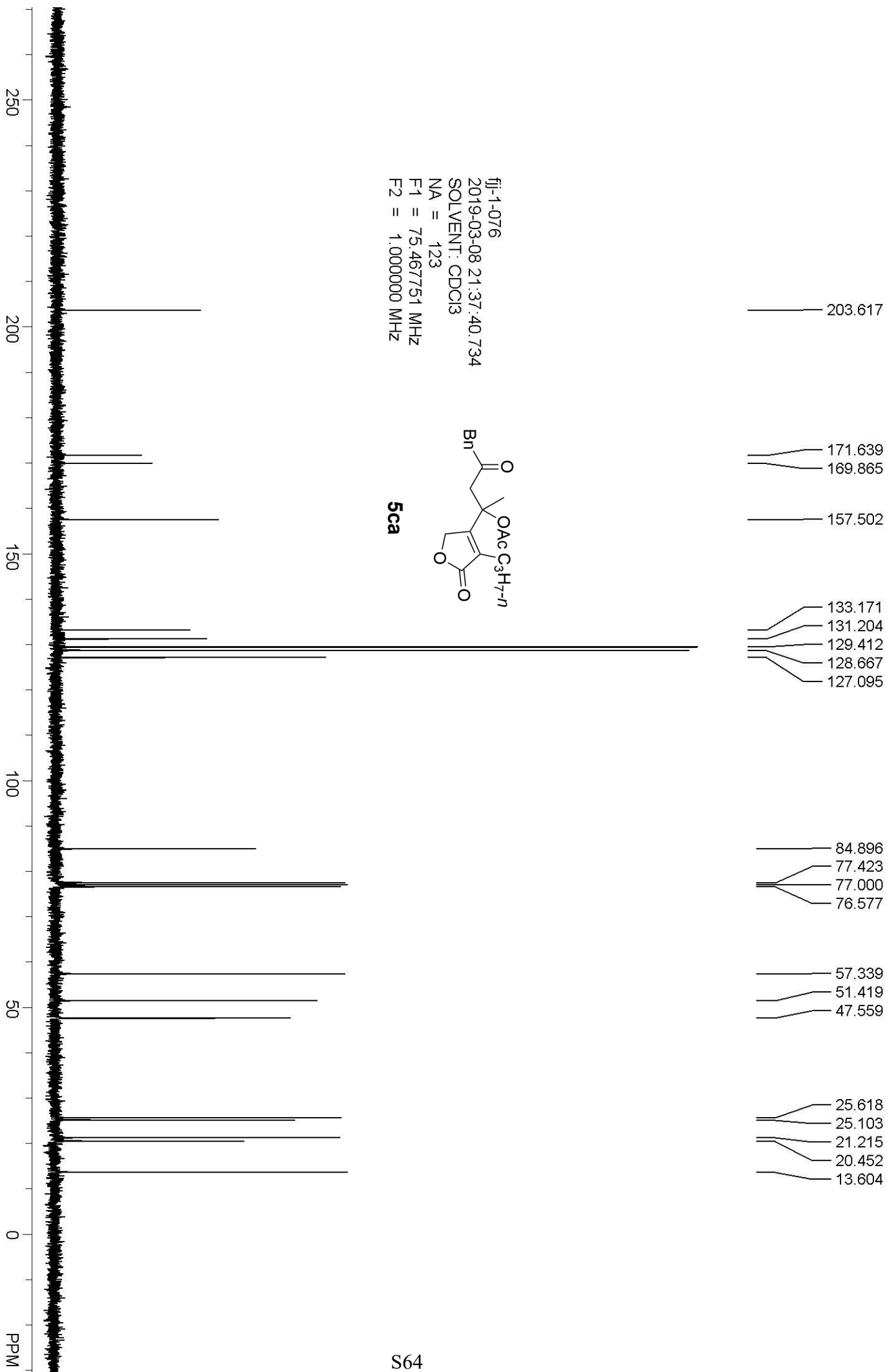


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 SOLVENT: CDCl3
 NA = 8
 F1 = 300.130005 MHz
 F2 = 1.000000 MHz

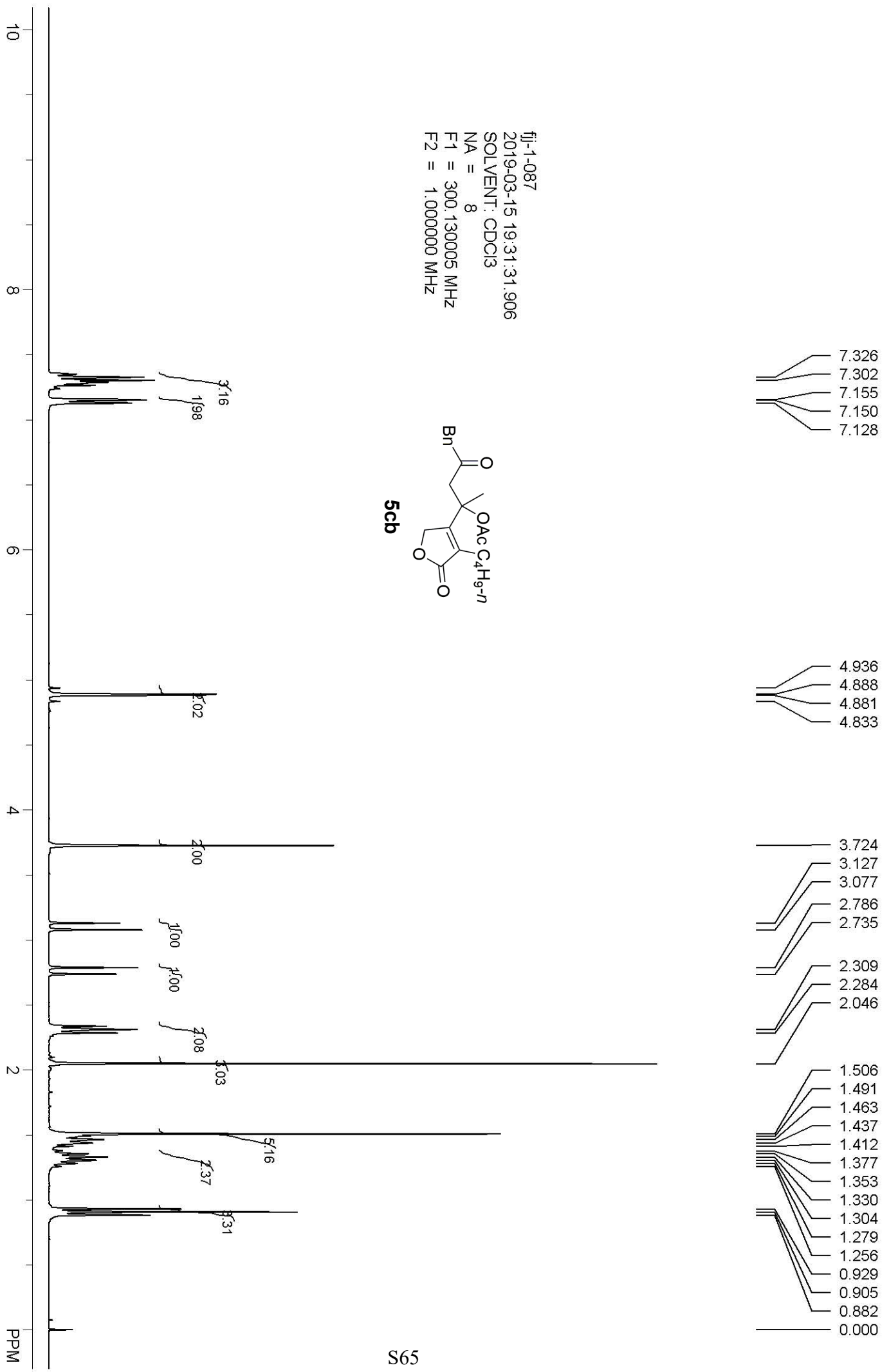
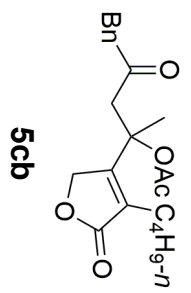


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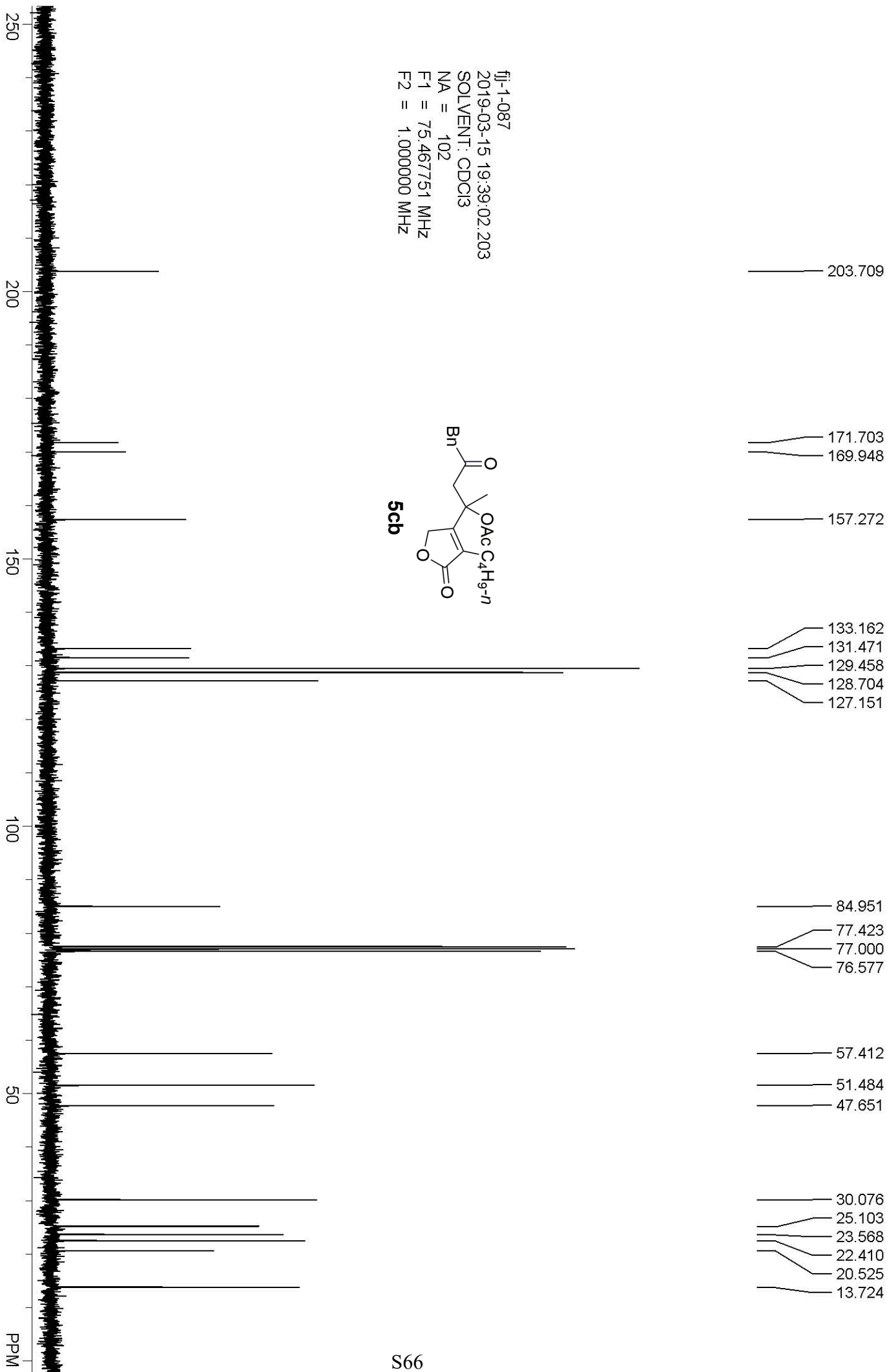
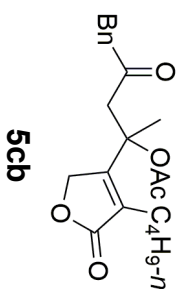




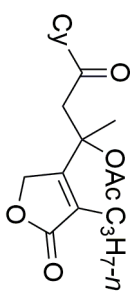
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 2019-03-15 19:31:31.906
 SOLVENT: CDCl3
 NA = 8
 F1 = 300.130005 MHz
 F2 = 1.000000 MHz



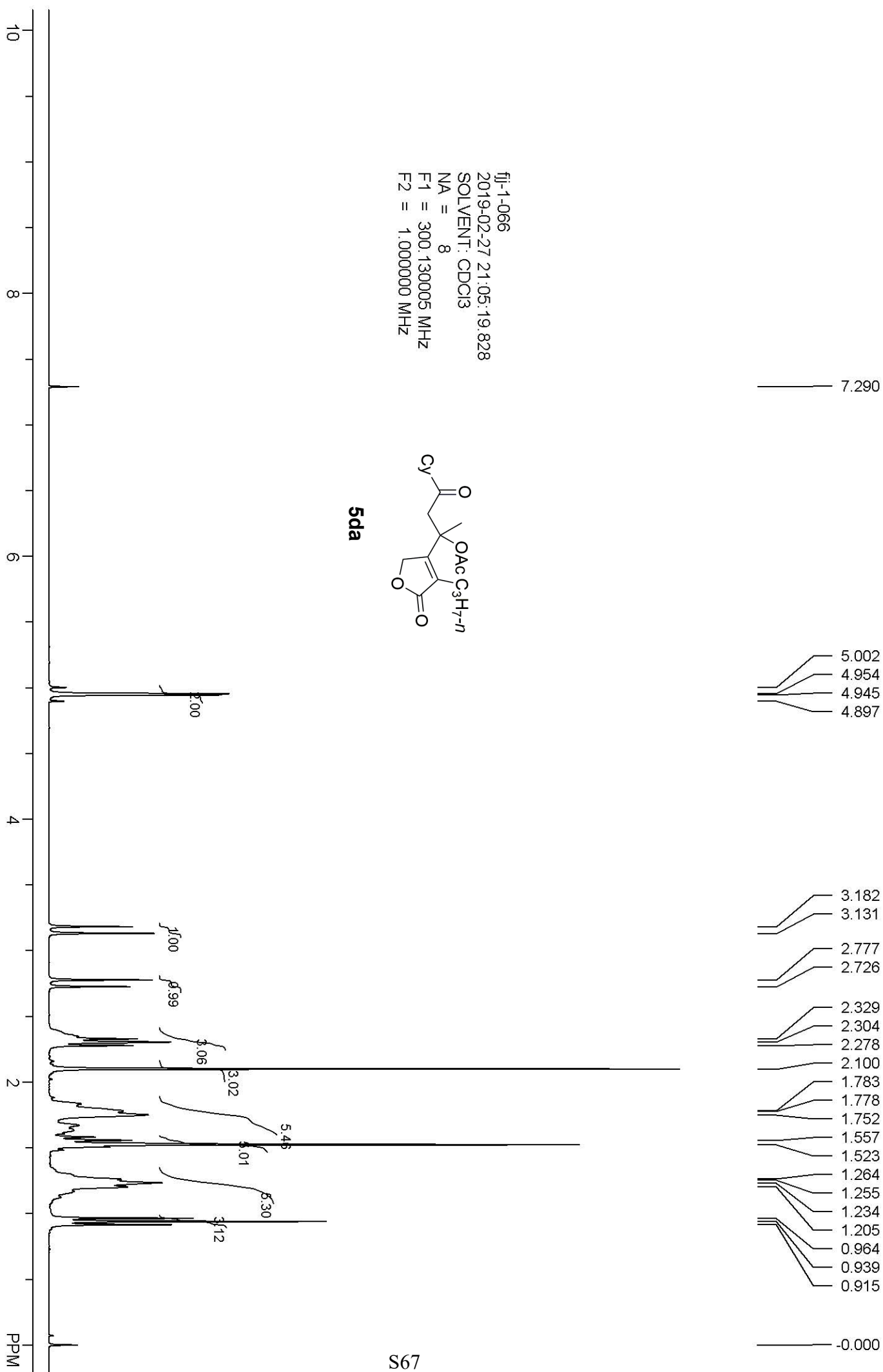
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2019-03-15 19:39:02.203
SOLVENT: CDCl3
NA = 102
F1 = 75.467751 MHz
F2 = 1.000000 MHz

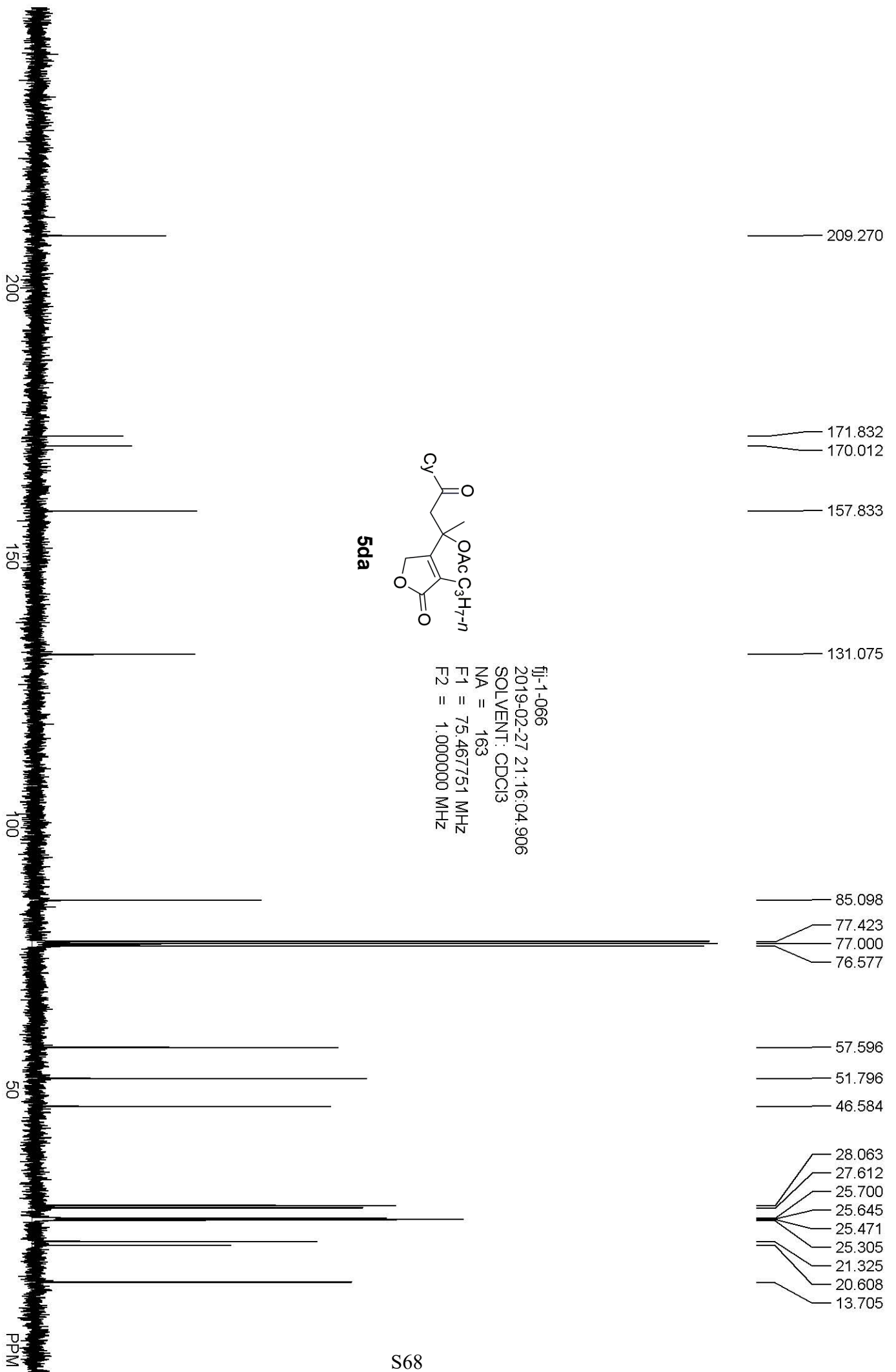


fl-1-066
2019-02-27 21:05:19.828
SOLVENT: CDCl3
NA = 8
F1 = 300.130005 MHz
F2 = 1.000000 MHz

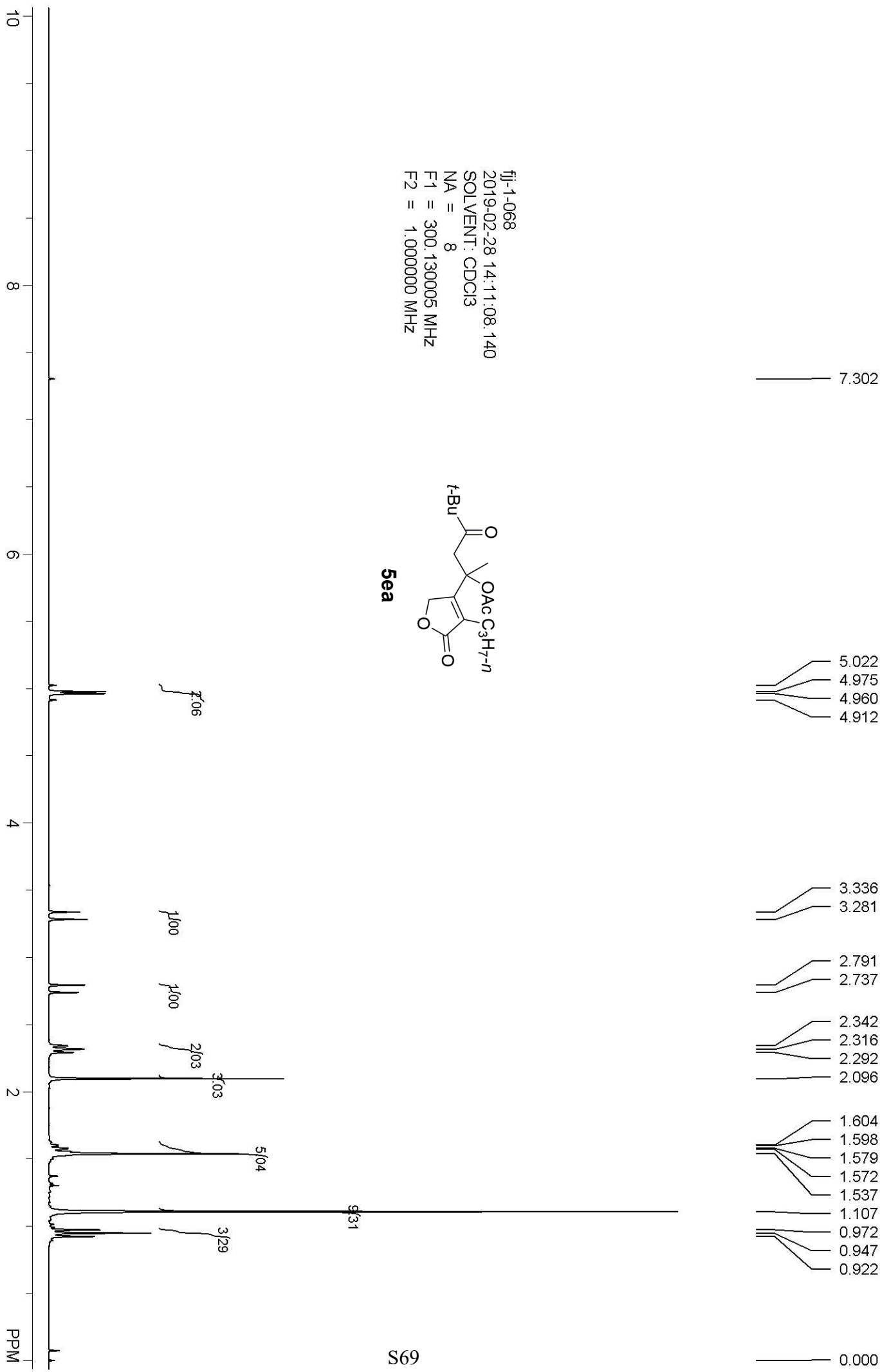
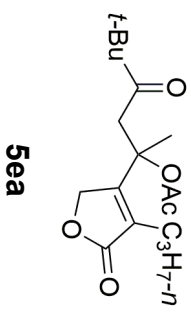


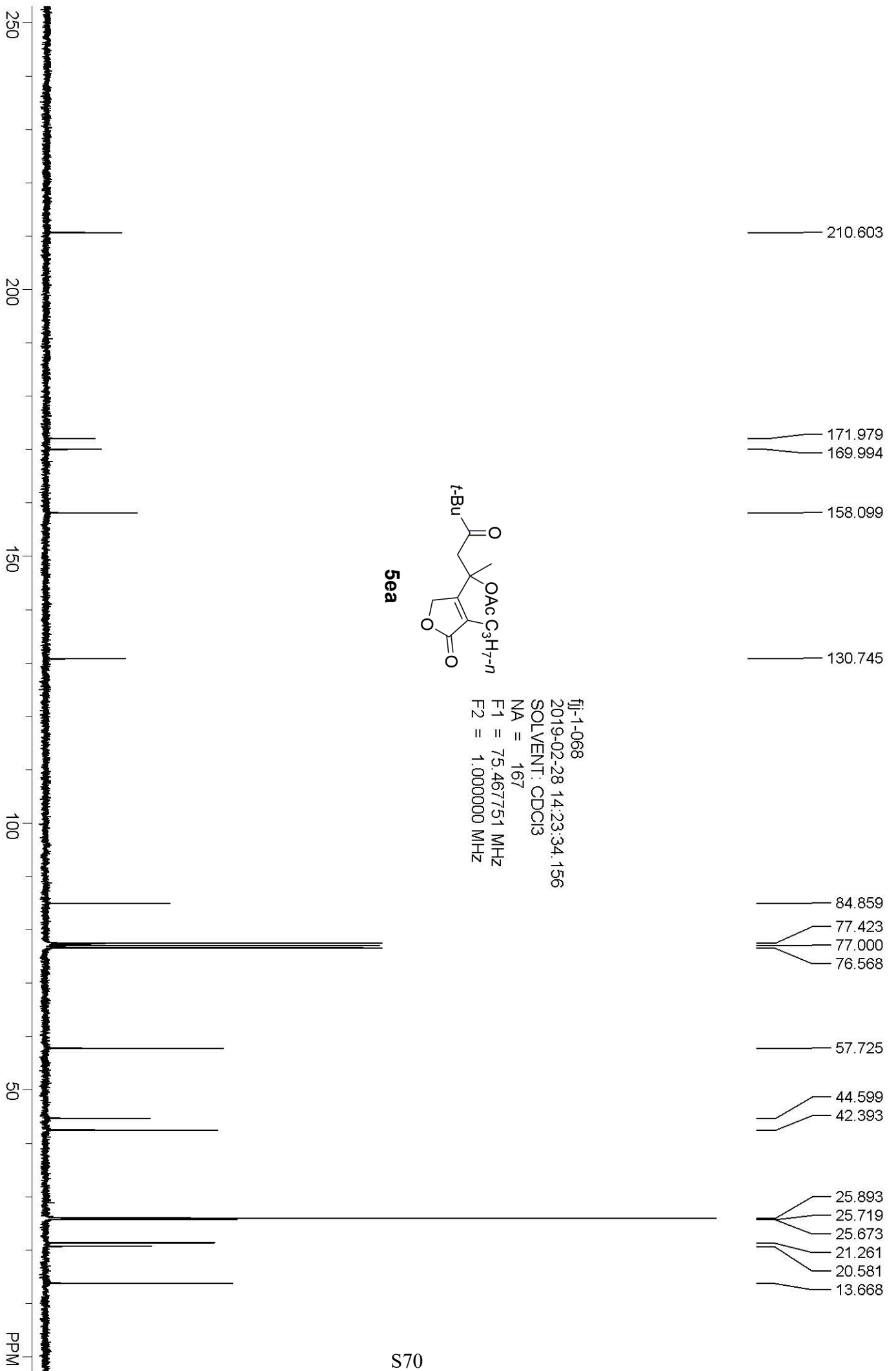
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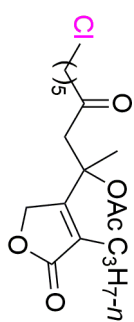


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 2019-02-28 14:11:08.140
 SOLVENT: CDCl3
 NA = 8
 F1 = 300.130005 MHz
 F2 = 1.000000 MHz

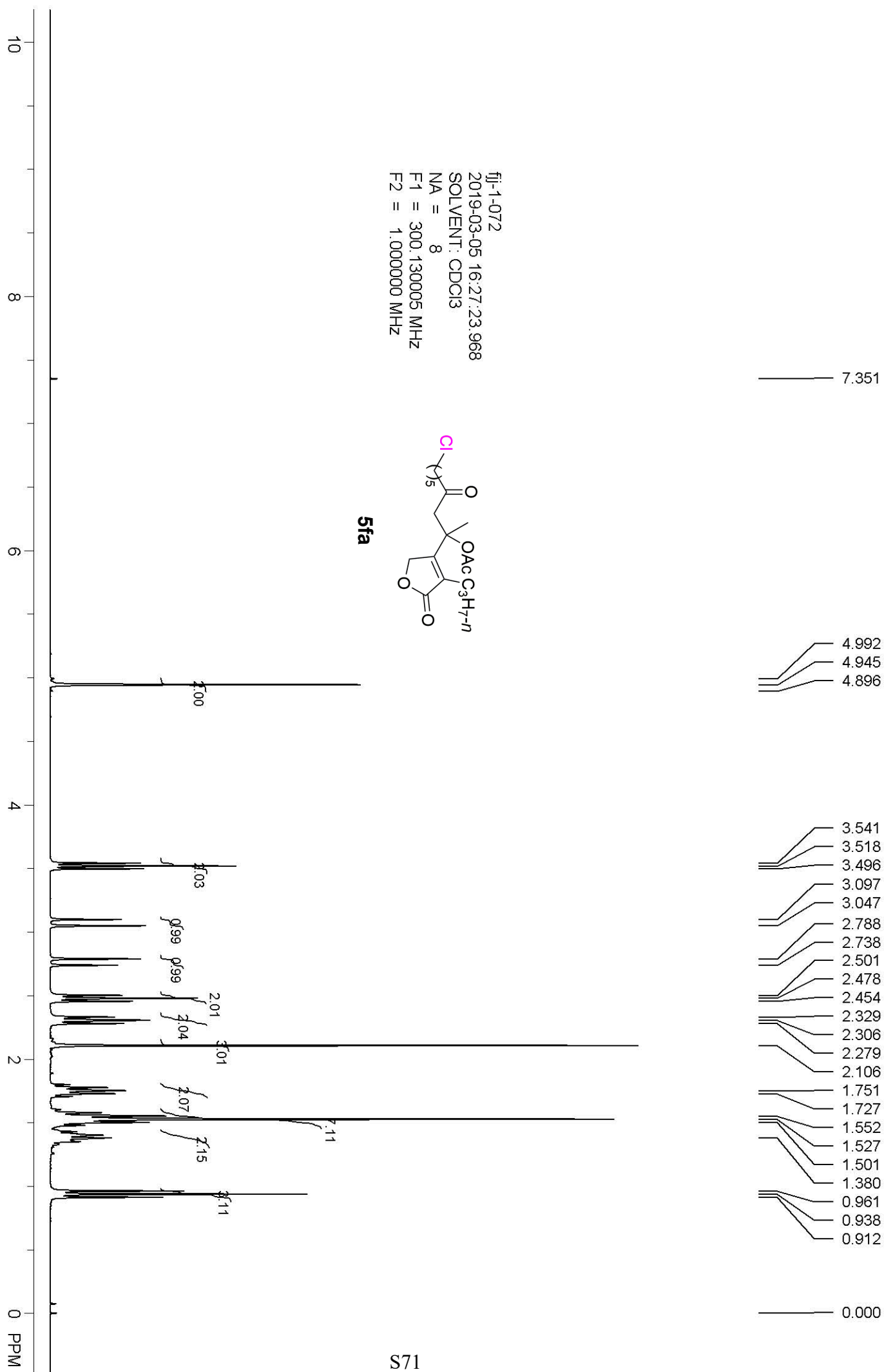


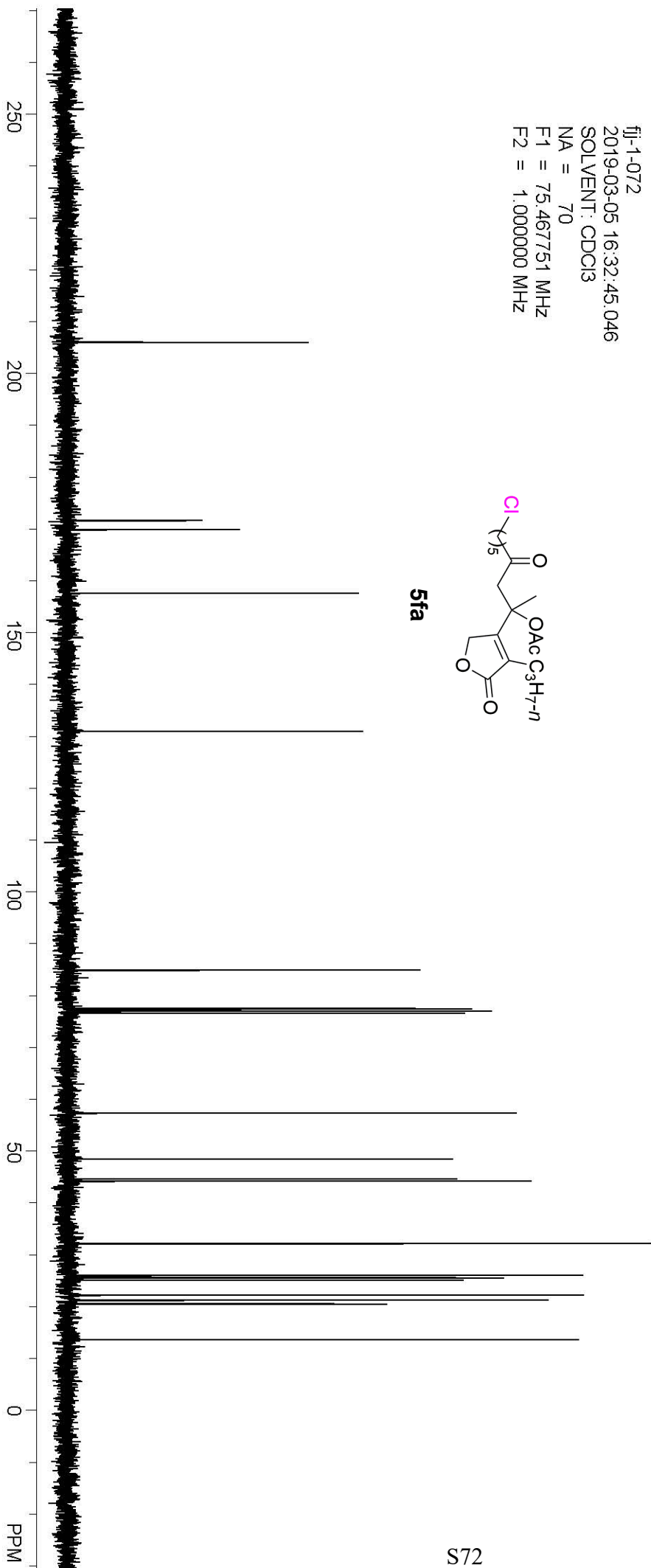


fj-1-072
 2019-03-05 16:27:23.968
 SOLVENT: CDCl3
 NA = 8
 F1 = 300.130005 MHz
 F2 = 1.000000 MHz



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205.934

171.565
169.801

157.557

130.947

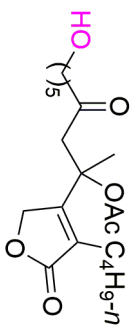
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57.265

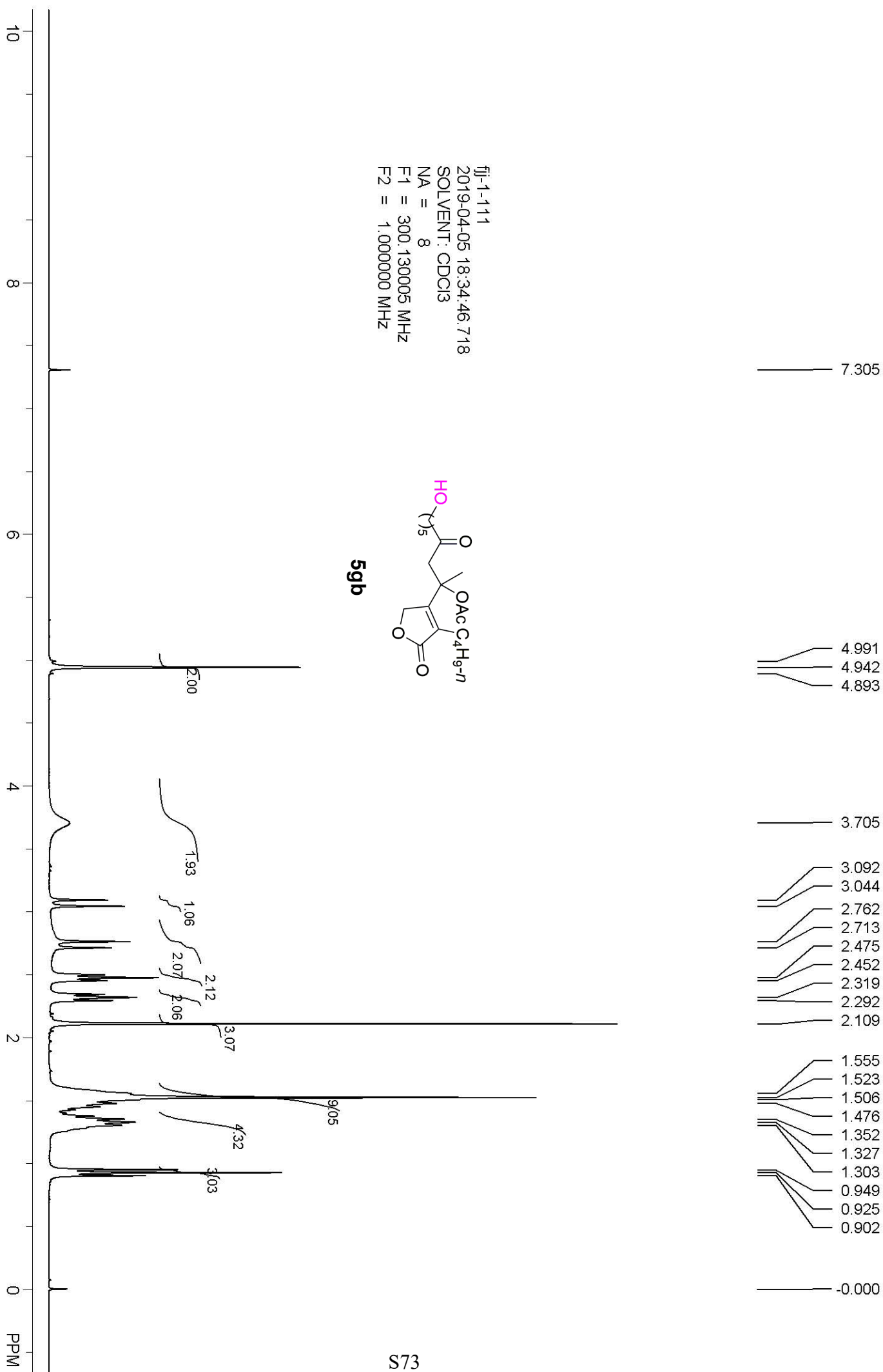
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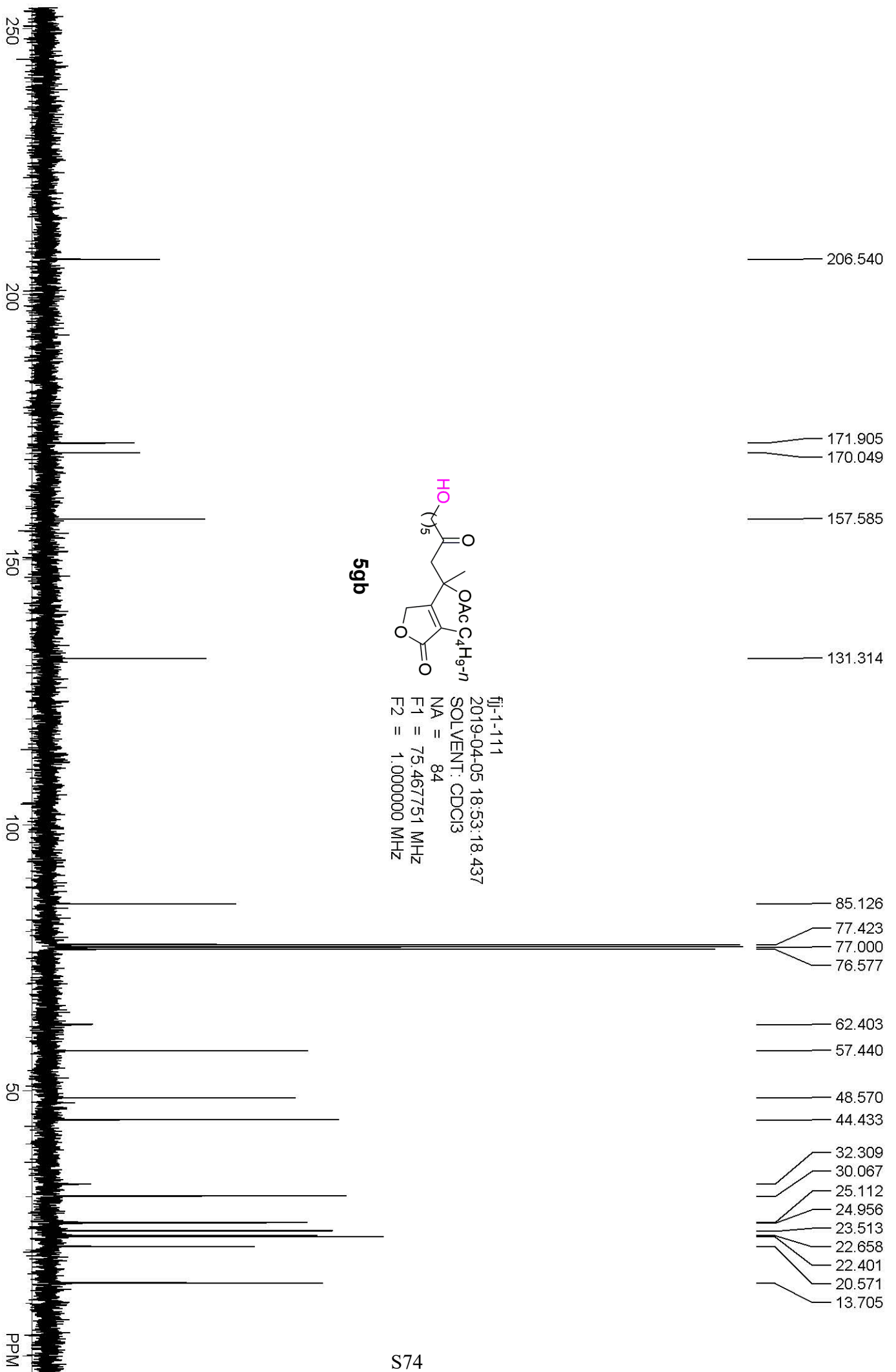
32.070
25.939
25.489
25.039
22.125
21.151
20.434
13.530

fj-1-111
 2019-04-05 18:34:46.718
 SOLVENT: CDCl3
 NA = 8
 F1 = 300.130005 MHz
 F2 = 1.000000 MHz



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7.904
7.877
7.555
7.534
7.463
7.440
7.416
7.413
7.329

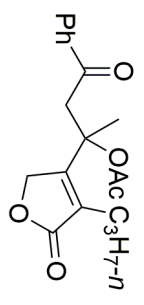
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3.748
3.696
3.315
3.263

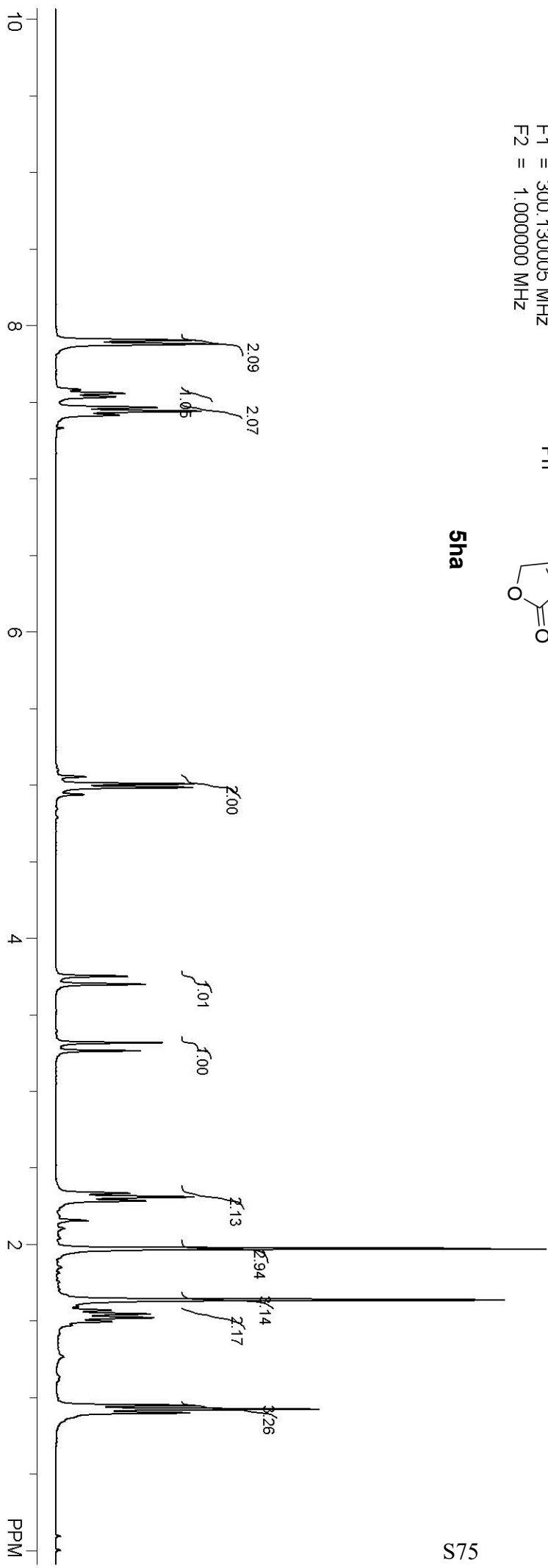
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2.308
2.282
1.972
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1.634
1.568
1.544
1.519
1.494
0.946
0.921
0.897

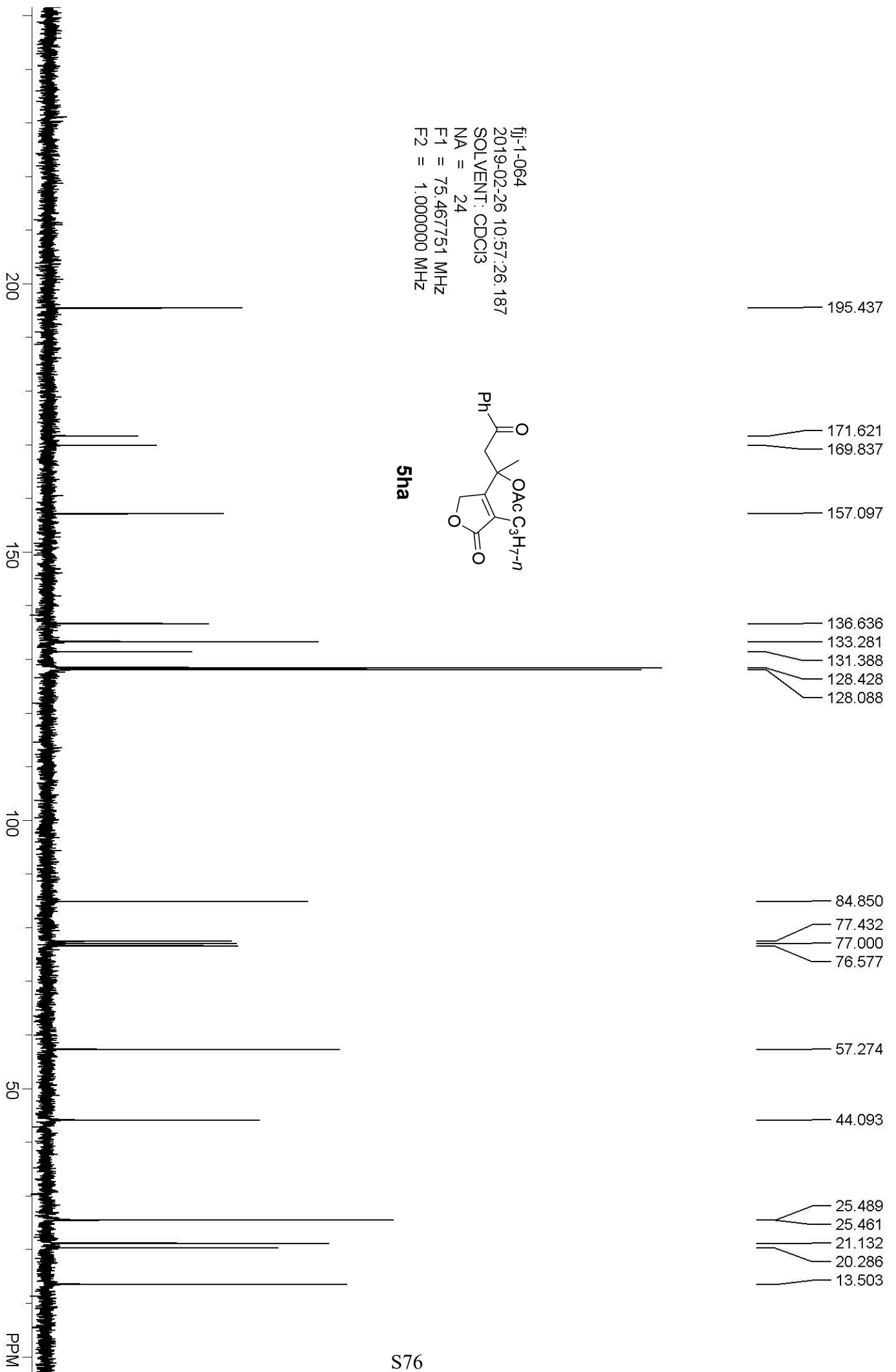
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fil-1-064
2019-02-26 10:54:48.062
SOLVENT: CDCl3
NA = 8
F1 = 300.130005 MHz
F2 = 1.000000 MHz



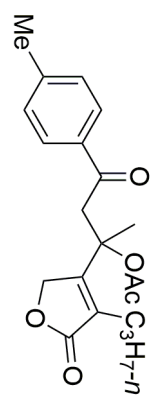
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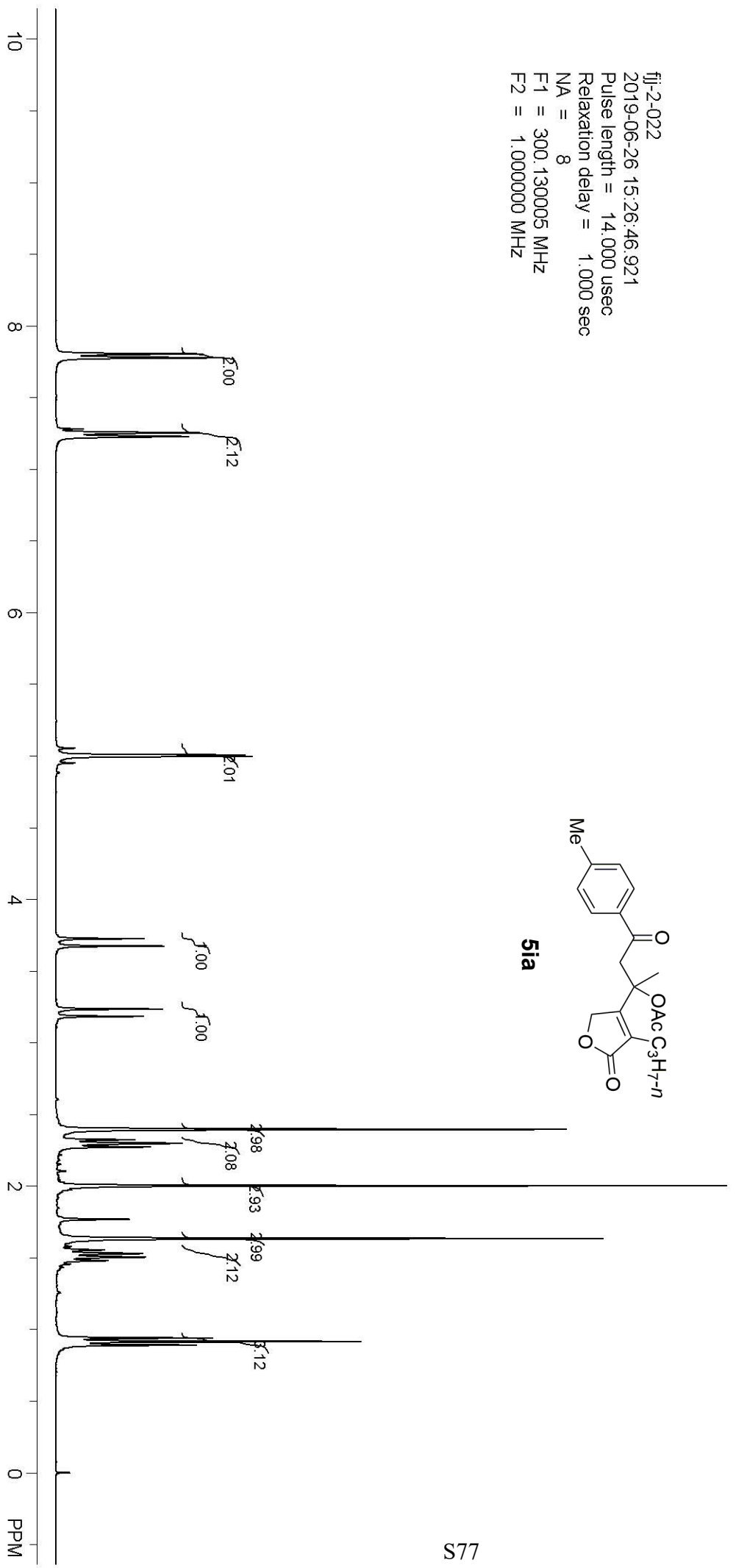


flj-2-022
 2019-06-26 15:26:46.921
 Pulse length = 14.000 usec
 Relaxation delay = 1.000 sec
 NA = 8
 F1 = 300.130005 MHz
 F2 = 1.000000 MHz

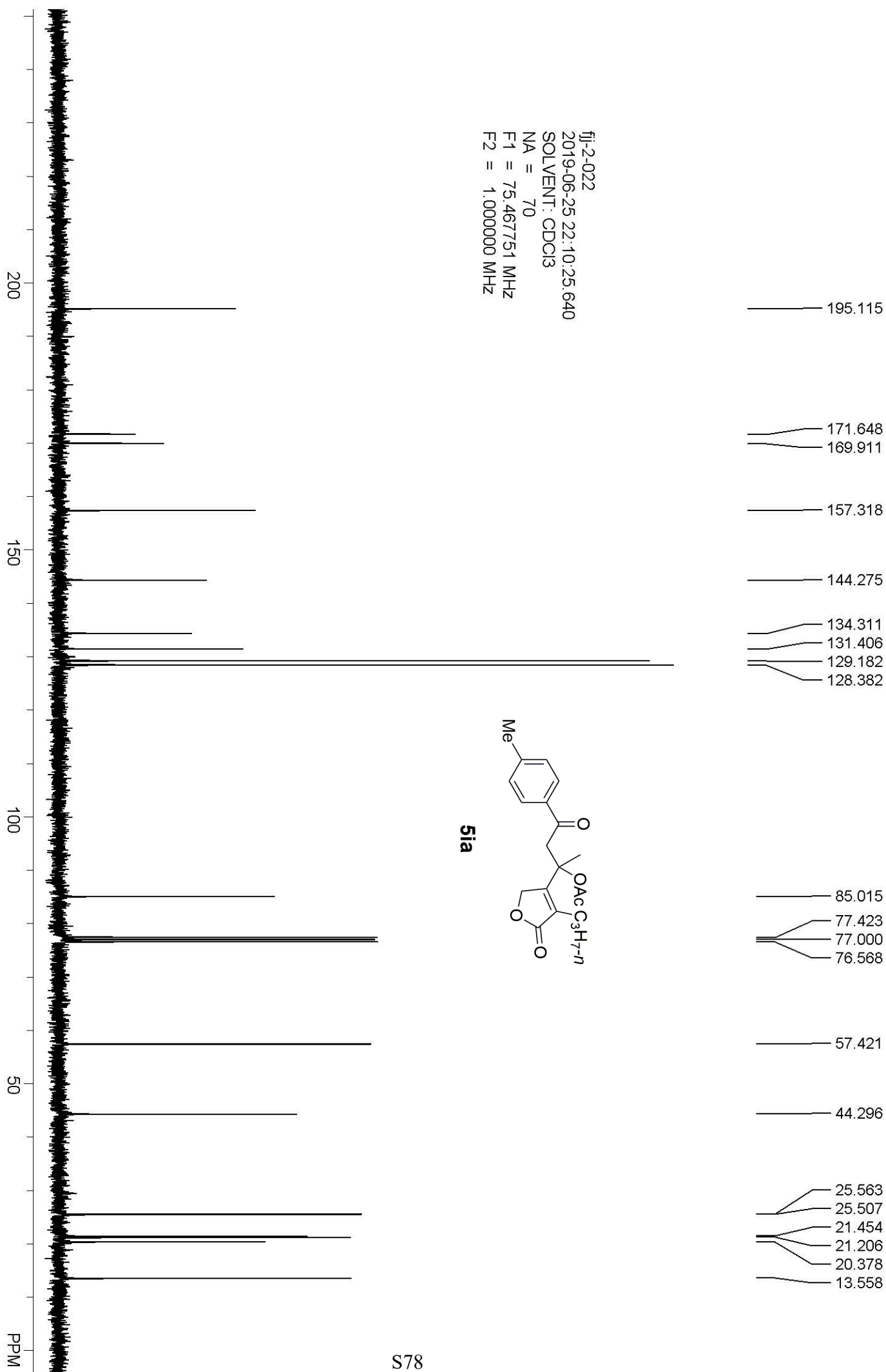
- 7.804
- 7.776
- 7.253
- 7.226
- 5.053
- 5.006
- 4.997
- 4.950
- 3.724
- 3.673
- 3.234
- 3.183
- 2.395
- 2.322
- 2.297
- 2.272
- 2.002
- 1.634
- 1.578
- 1.554
- 1.528
- 1.503
- 1.479
- 1.454
- 0.939
- 0.915
- 0.890
- 0.000

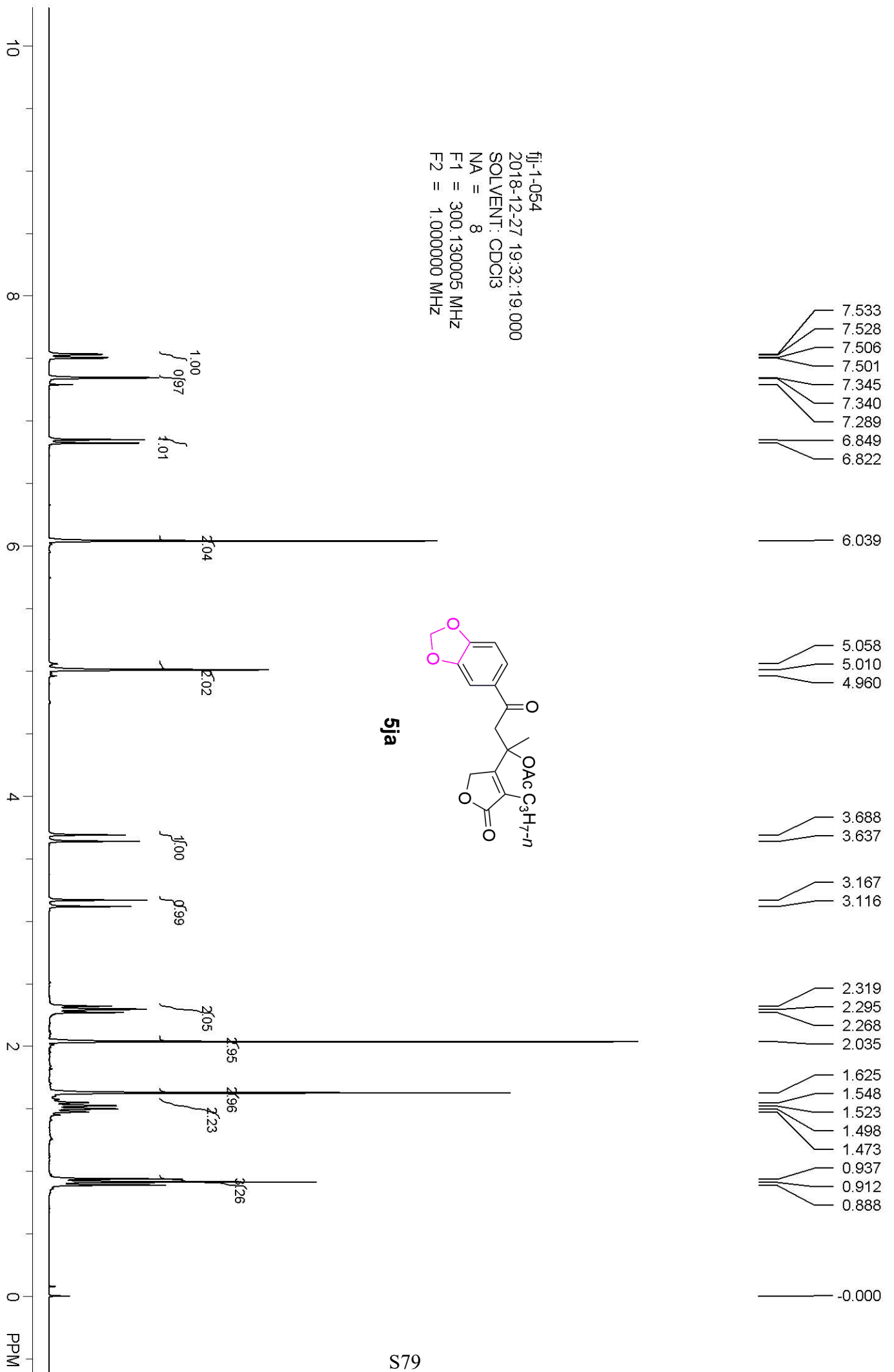


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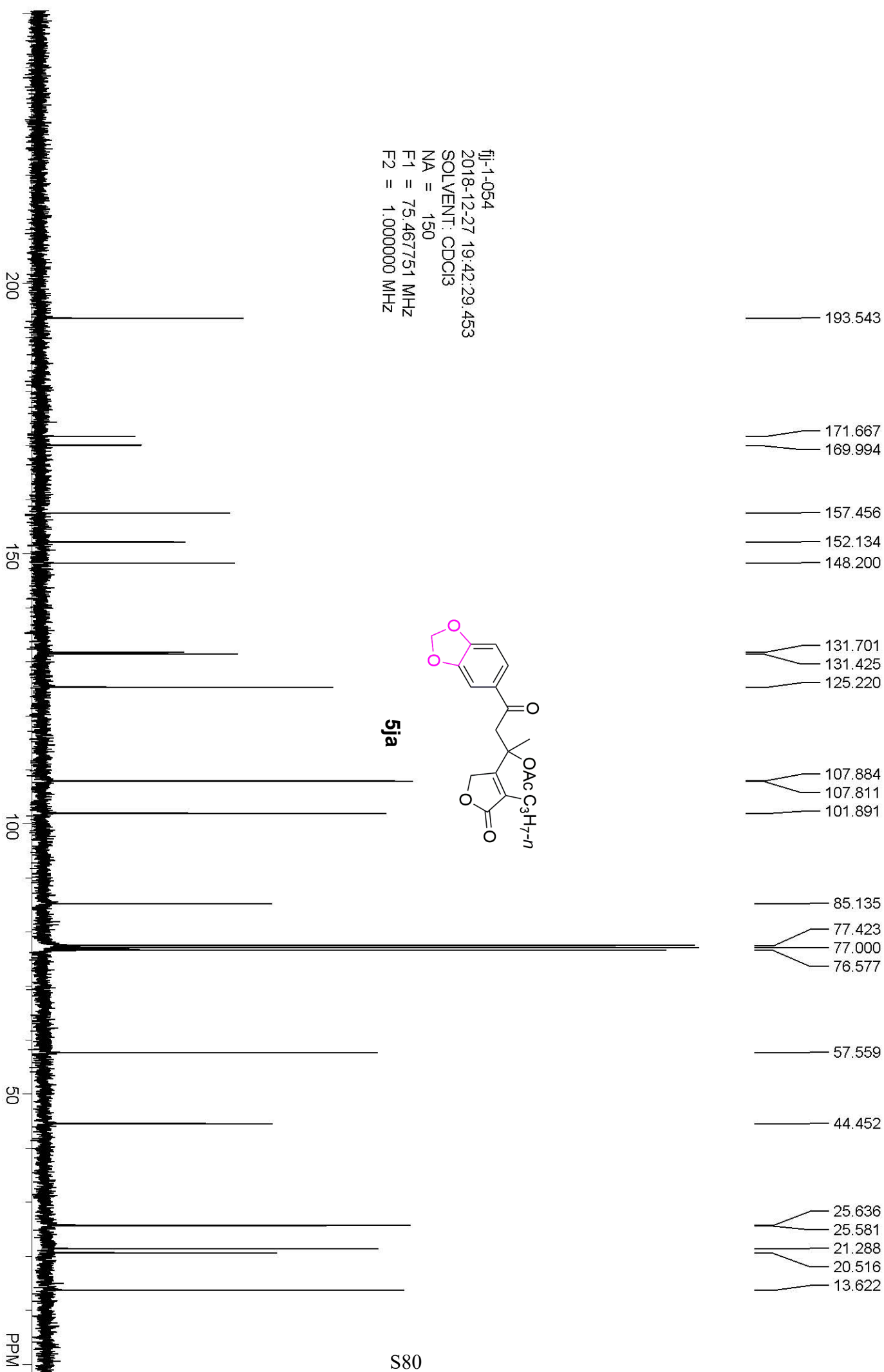


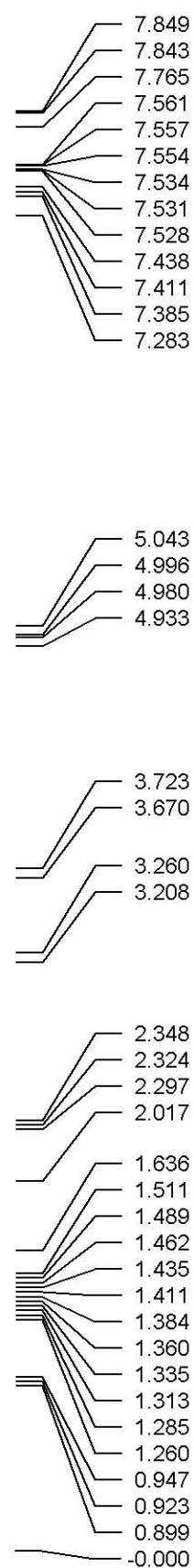
fil-2-022
2019-06-25 22:10:25.640
SOLVENT: CDCl3
NA = 70
F1 = 75.467751 MHz
F2 = 1.000000 MHz



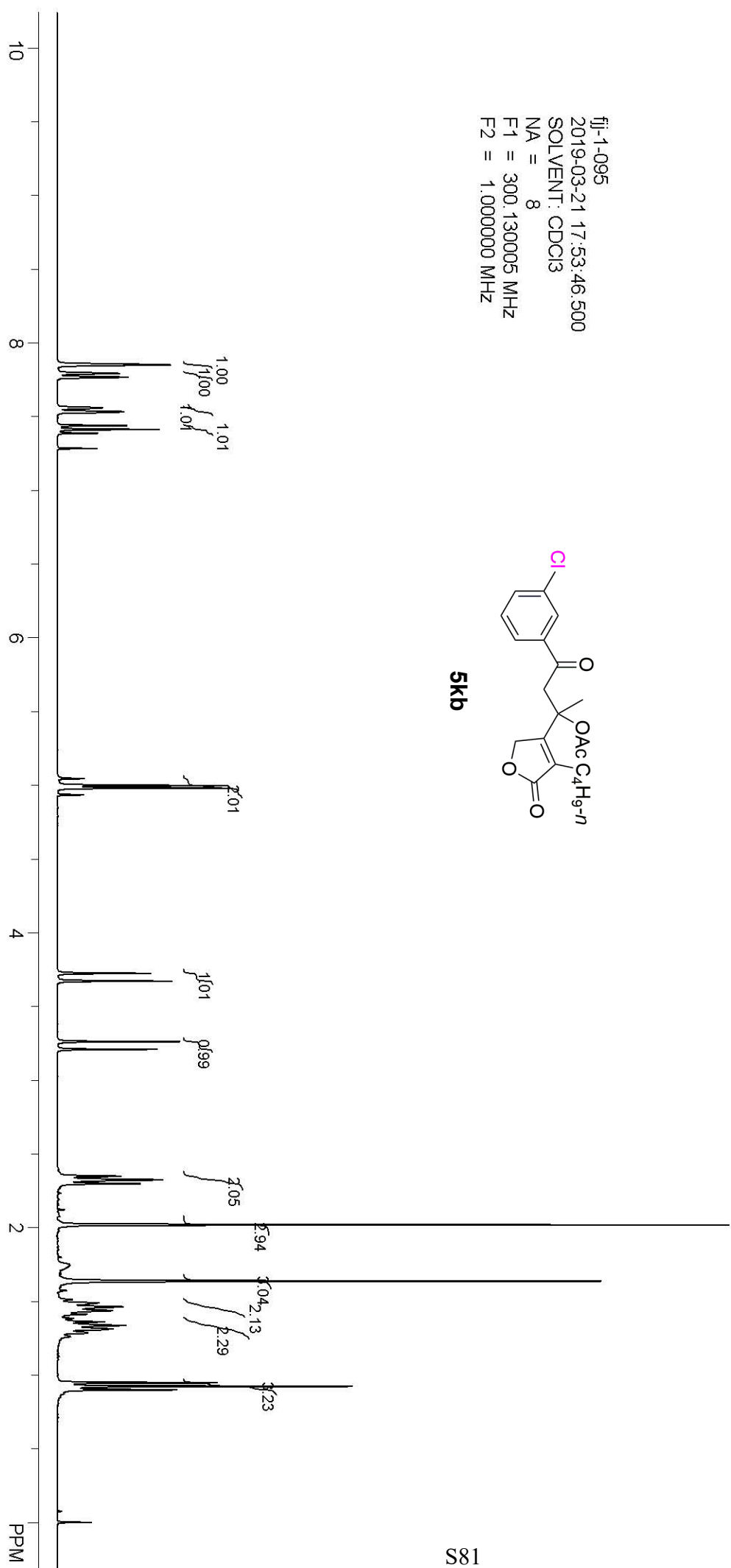
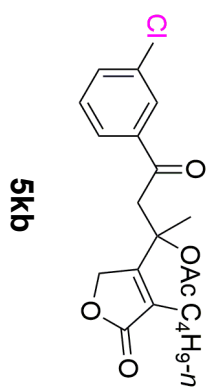


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2018-12-27 19:42:29.453
SOLVENT: CDCl3
NA = 150
F1 = 75.467751 MHz
F2 = 1.000000 MHz

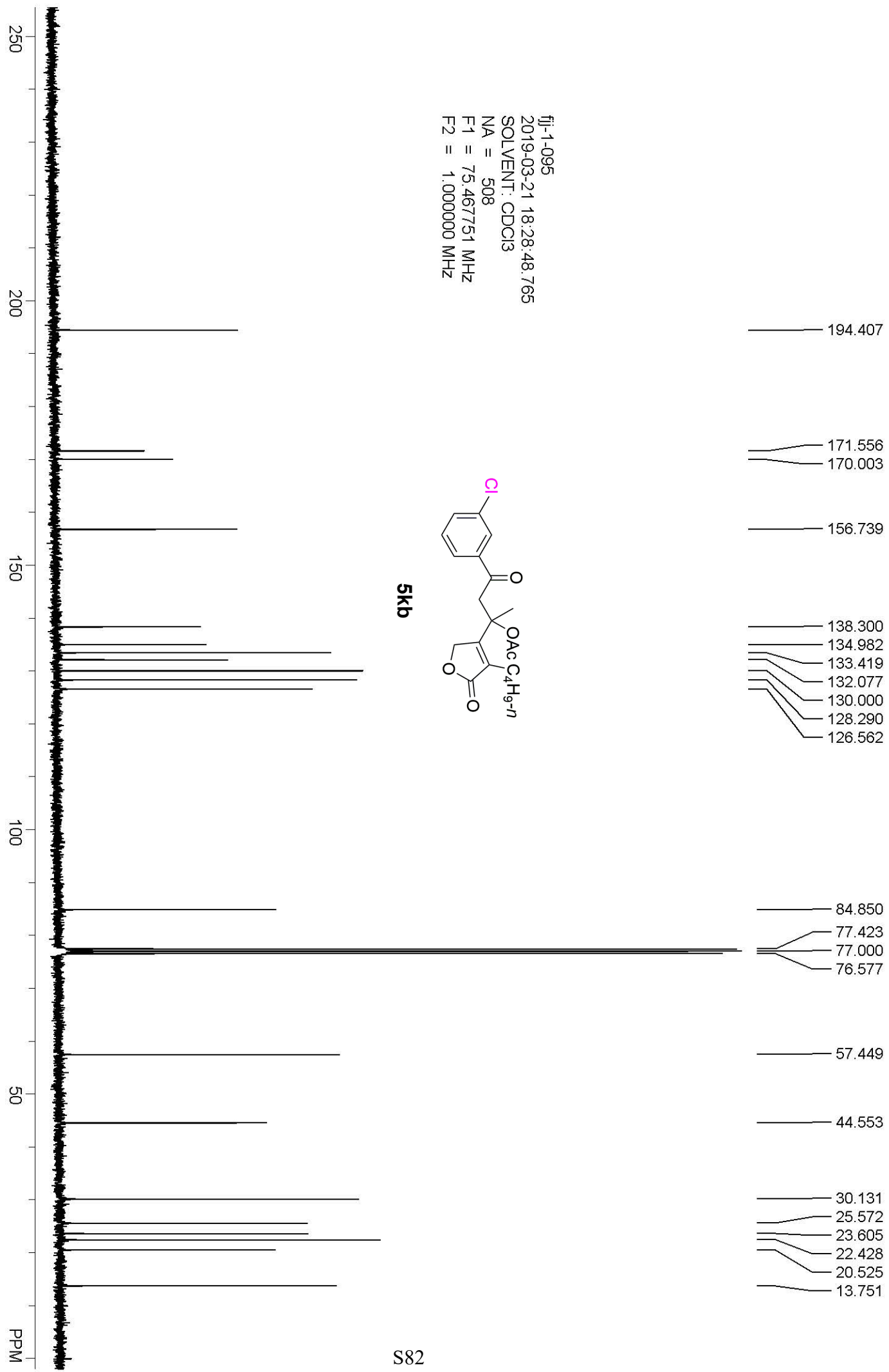
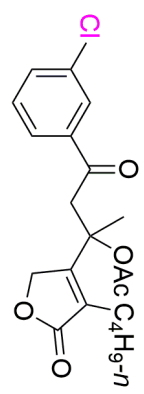




fil-1-095
2019-03-21 17:53:46.500
SOLVENT: CDCl3
NA = 8
F1 = 300.130005 MHz
F2 = 1.000000 MHz



fjl-1-095
2019-03-21 18:28:48.765
SOLVENT: CDCl3
NA = 508
F1 = 75.467751 MHz
F2 = 1.000000 MHz



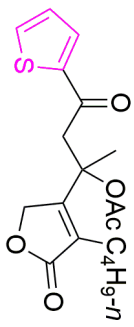
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7.731
7.675
7.659
7.315
7.146
7.132
7.116

5.058
5.010
5.003
4.955

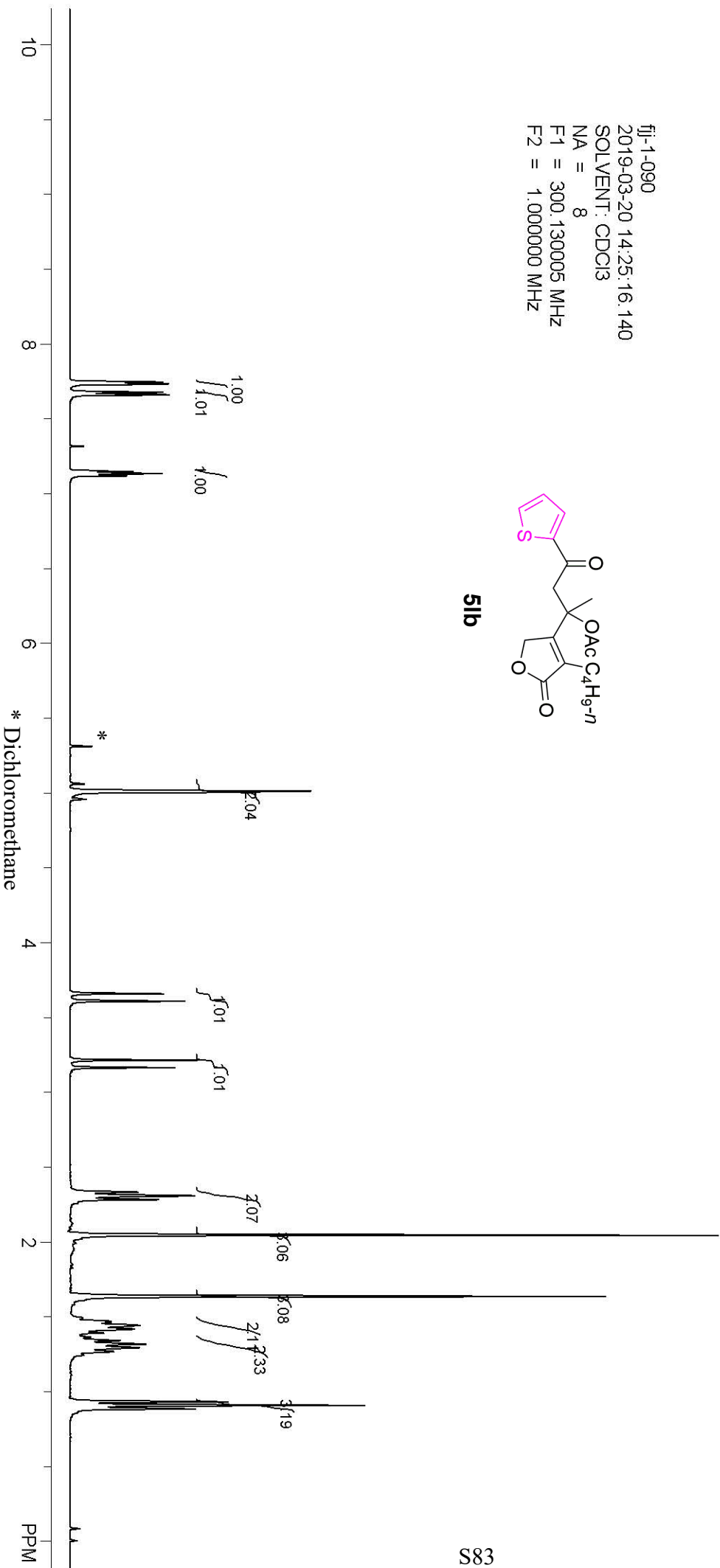
3.656
3.606
3.212
3.162

2.330
2.306
2.280
2.041
1.491
1.469
1.453
1.439
1.416
1.389
1.362
1.338
1.313
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1.266
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0.929
0.904
0.881
-0.000

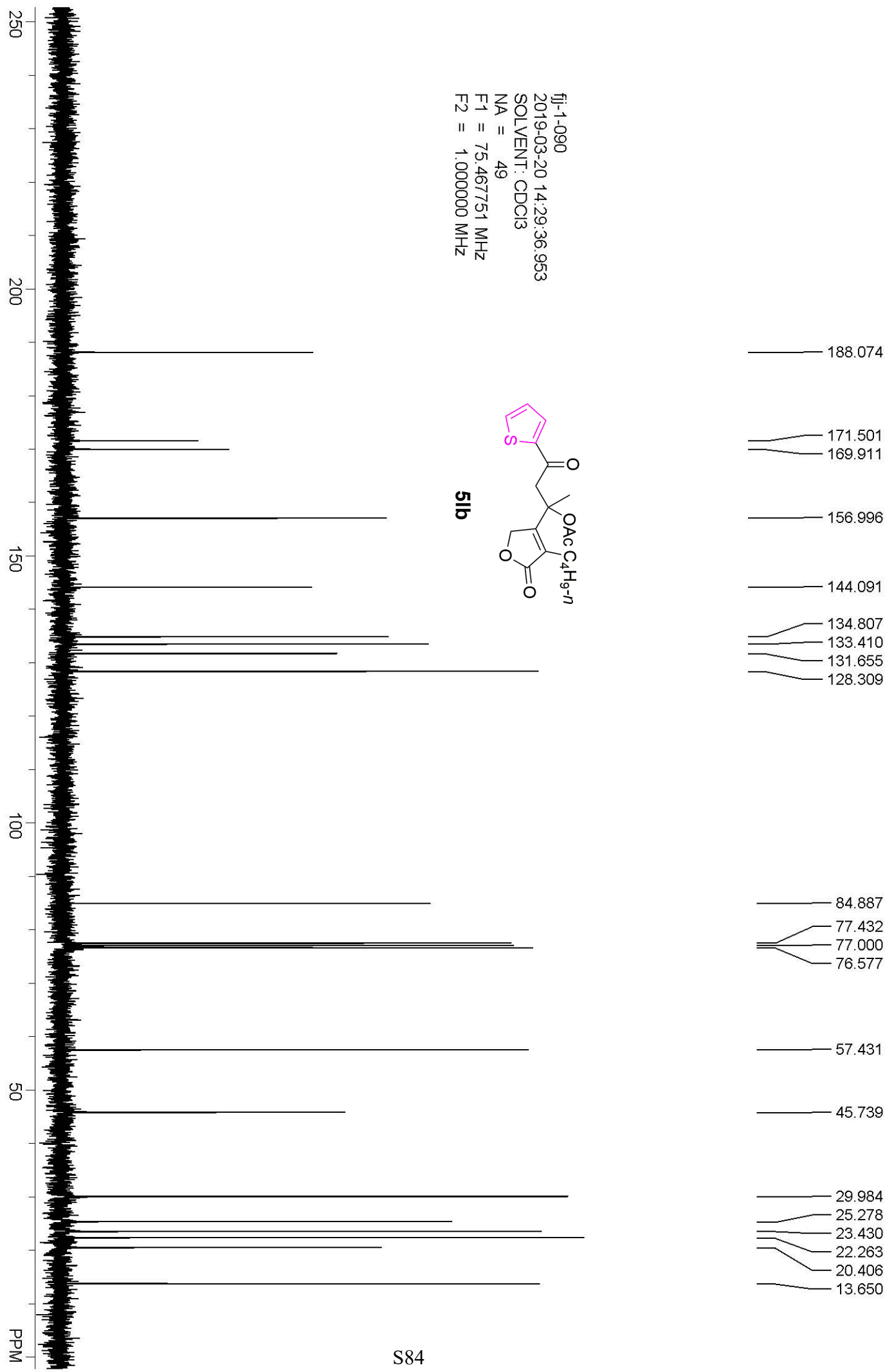
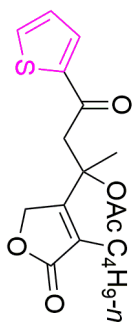
fl-1-090
2019-03-20 14:25:16.140
SOLVENT: CDCl3
NA = 8
F1 = 300.130005 MHz
F2 = 1.000000 MHz



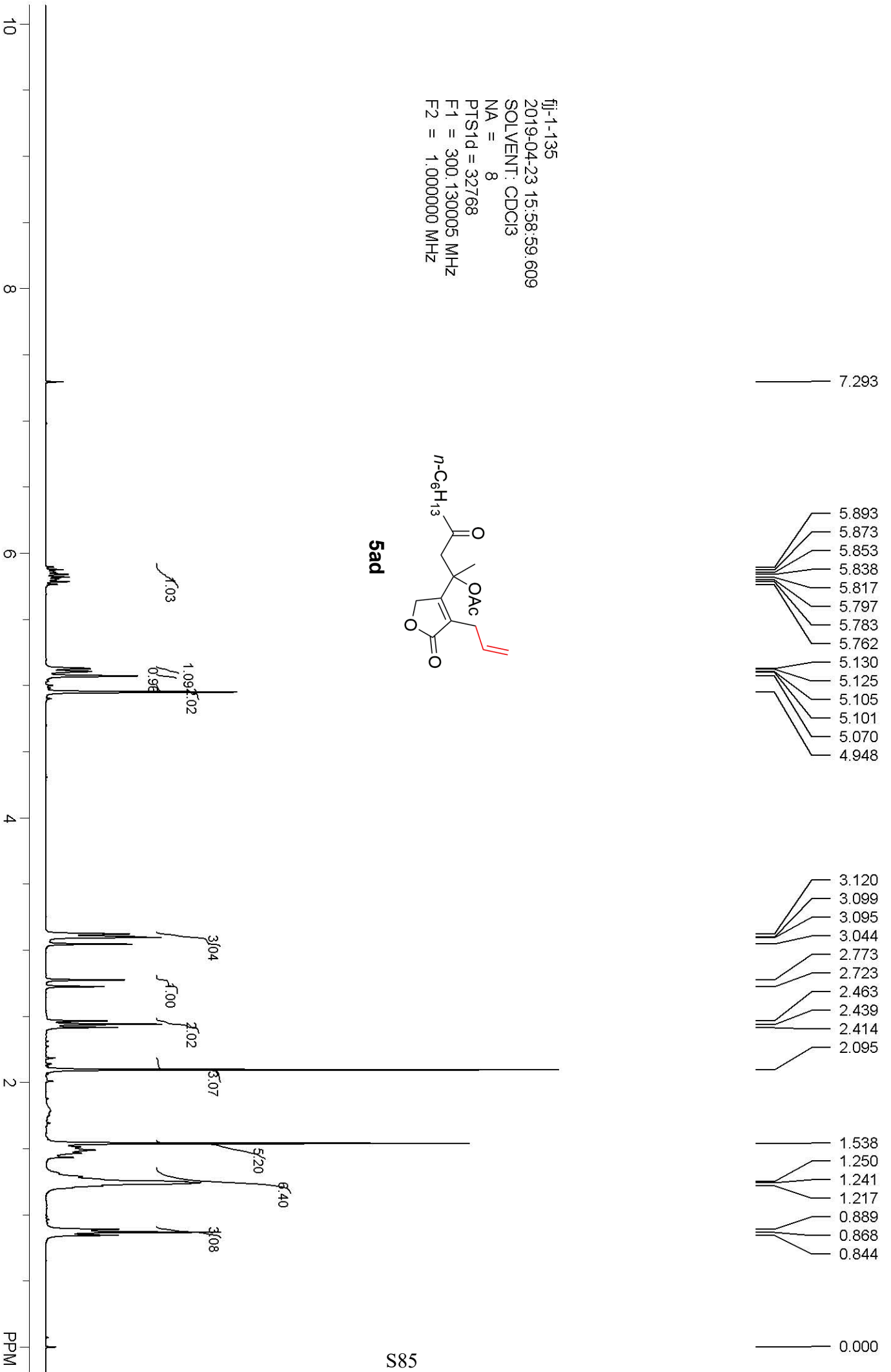
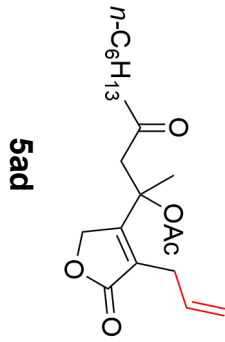
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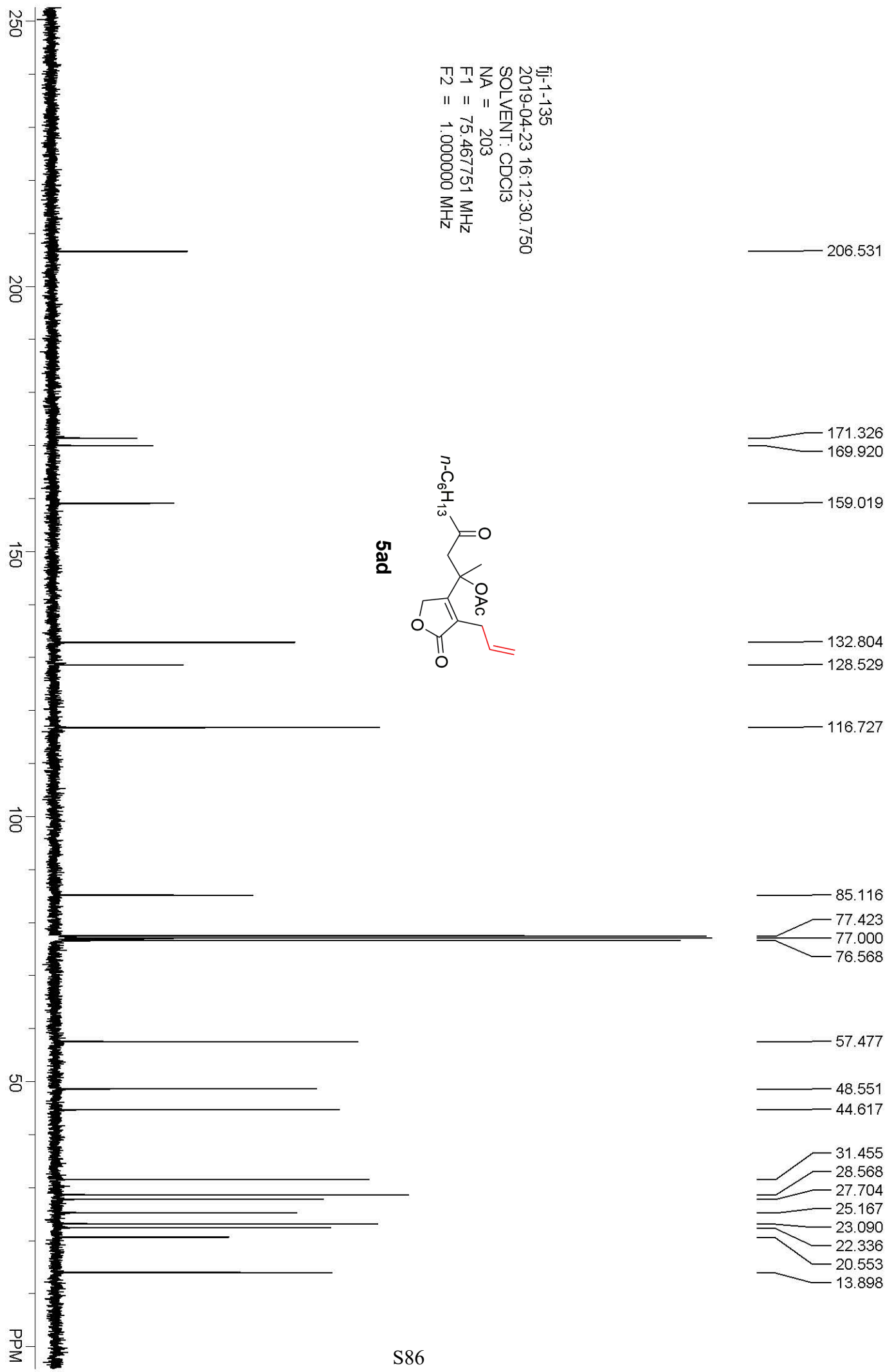
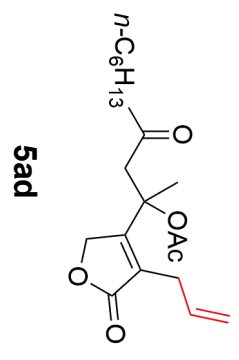
fjl-1-090
2019-03-20 14:29:36.953
SOLVENT: CDCl3
NA = 49
F1 = 75.467751 MHz
F2 = 1.000000 MHz



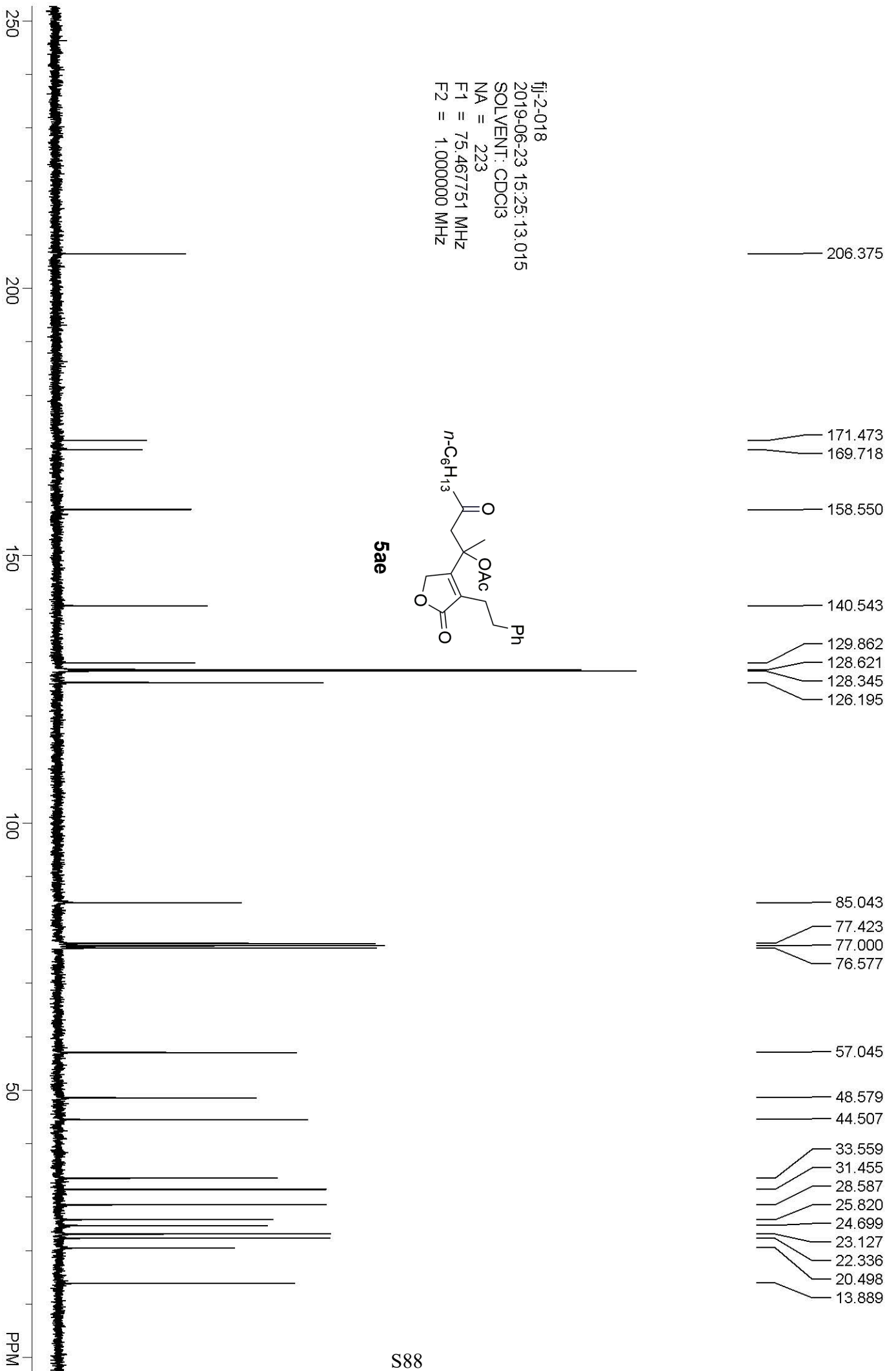
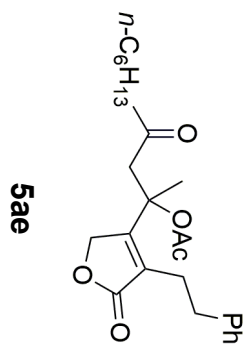
fj-1-135
 2019-04-23 15:58:59.609
 SOLVENT: CDCl3
 NA = 8
 PTSD = 32768
 F1 = 300.130005 MHz
 F2 = 1.000000 MHz



fj-1-135
2019-04-23 16:12:30.750
SOLVENT: CDCl3
NA = 203
F1 = 75.467751 MHz
F2 = 1.000000 MHz



fj-2-018
2019-06-23 15:25:13.015
SOLVENT: CDCl3
NA = 223
F1 = 75.467751 MHz
F2 = 1.000000 MHz



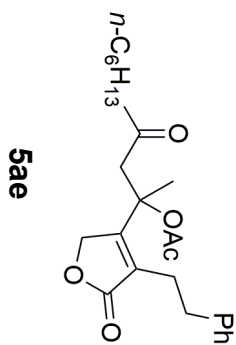
7.271
7.261
7.247
7.214
7.190
7.169
7.165
7.142
6.800

4.594
4.546
4.490
4.443

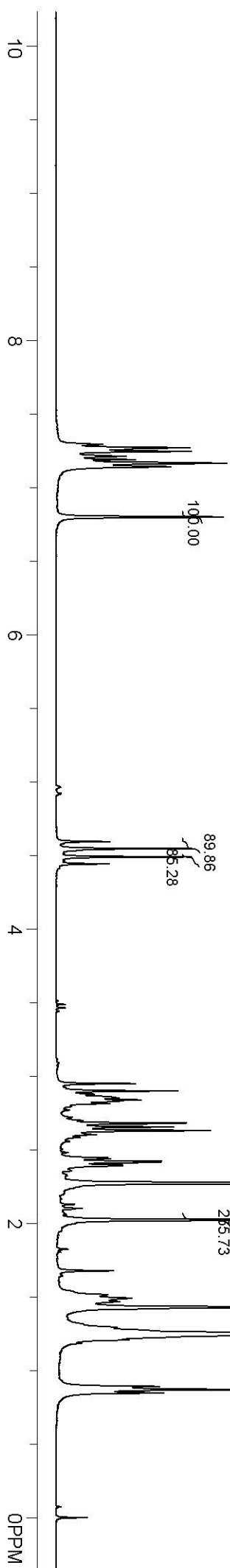
2.949
2.900
2.838
2.681
2.655
2.631
2.422
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2.390
2.273
2.023
1.491
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1.245
1.207
0.892
0.870
0.847

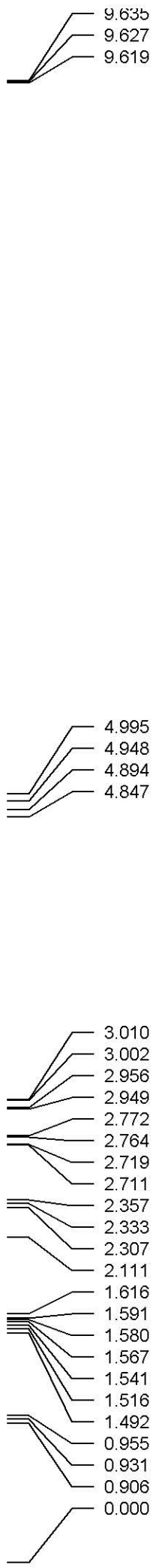
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fj-2-018-purity
2019-06-23 16:00:51.078
SOLVENT: CDCl3
NA = 8
F1 = 300.130005 MHz
F2 = 1.000000 MHz

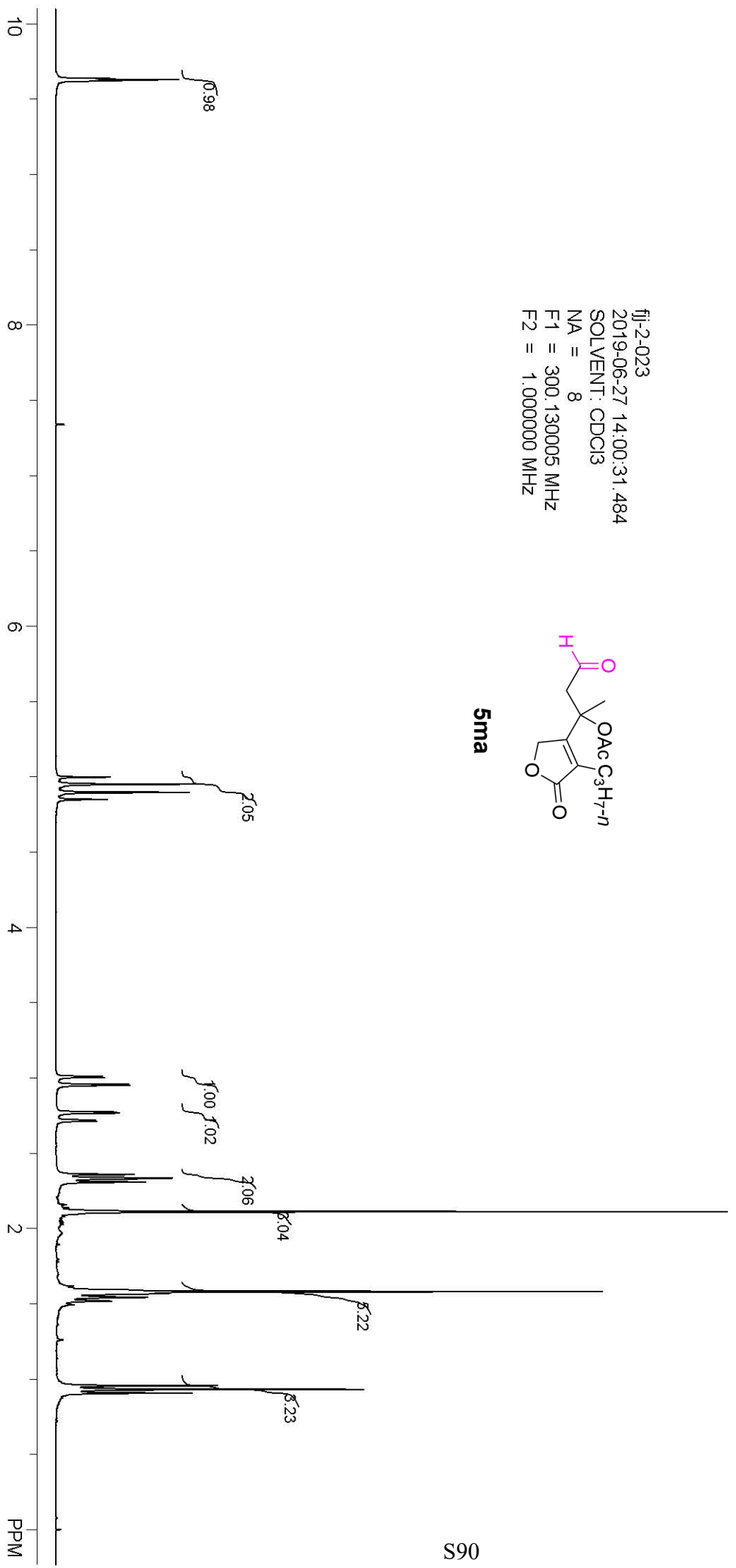
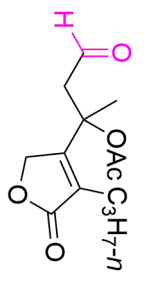


Purity (97%) is determined by mesitylene (5 μ L, 0.11 mmol)
as the internal standard in 38.3 mg of sample.



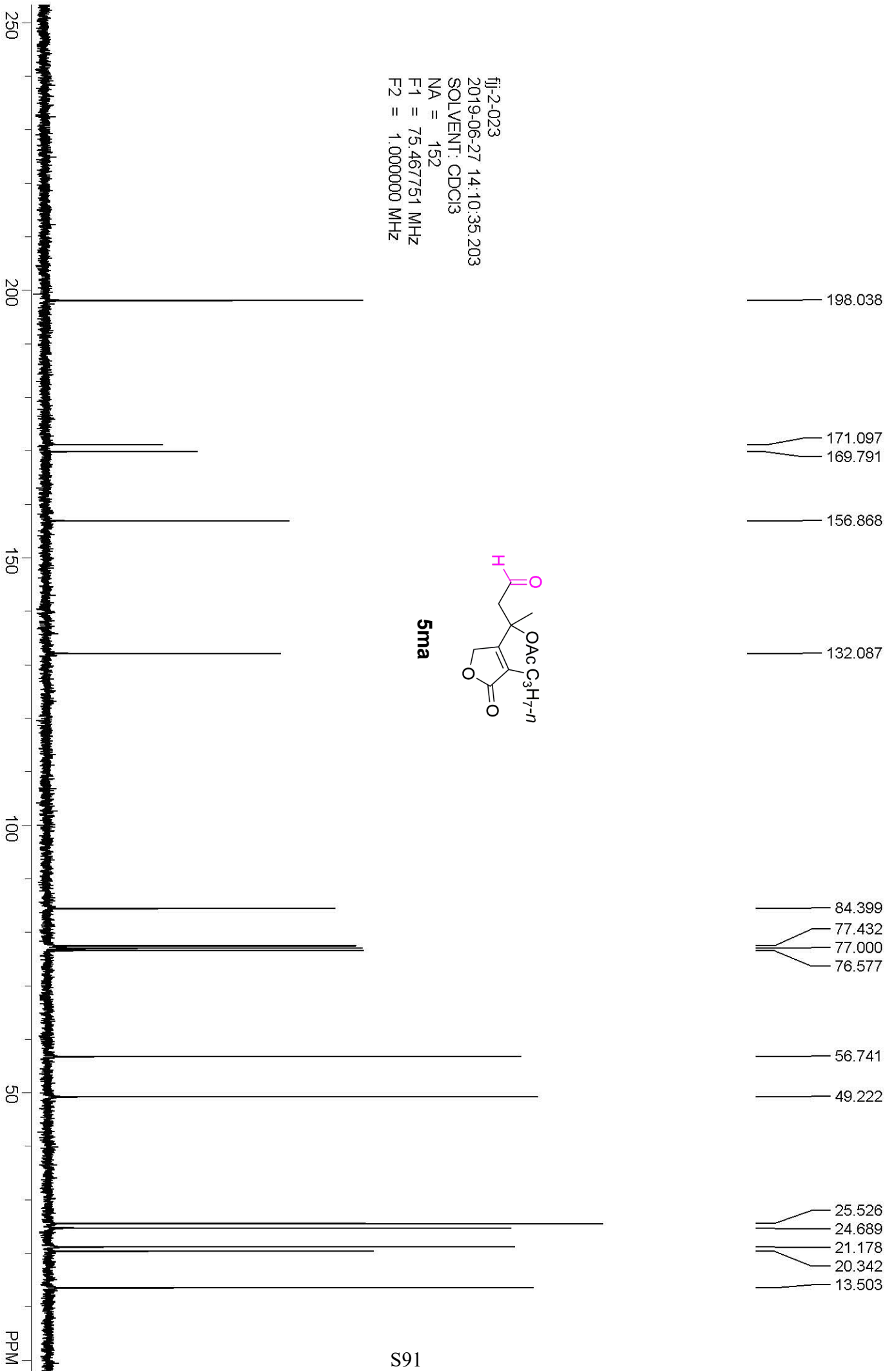
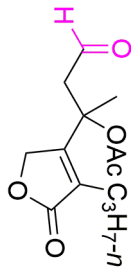


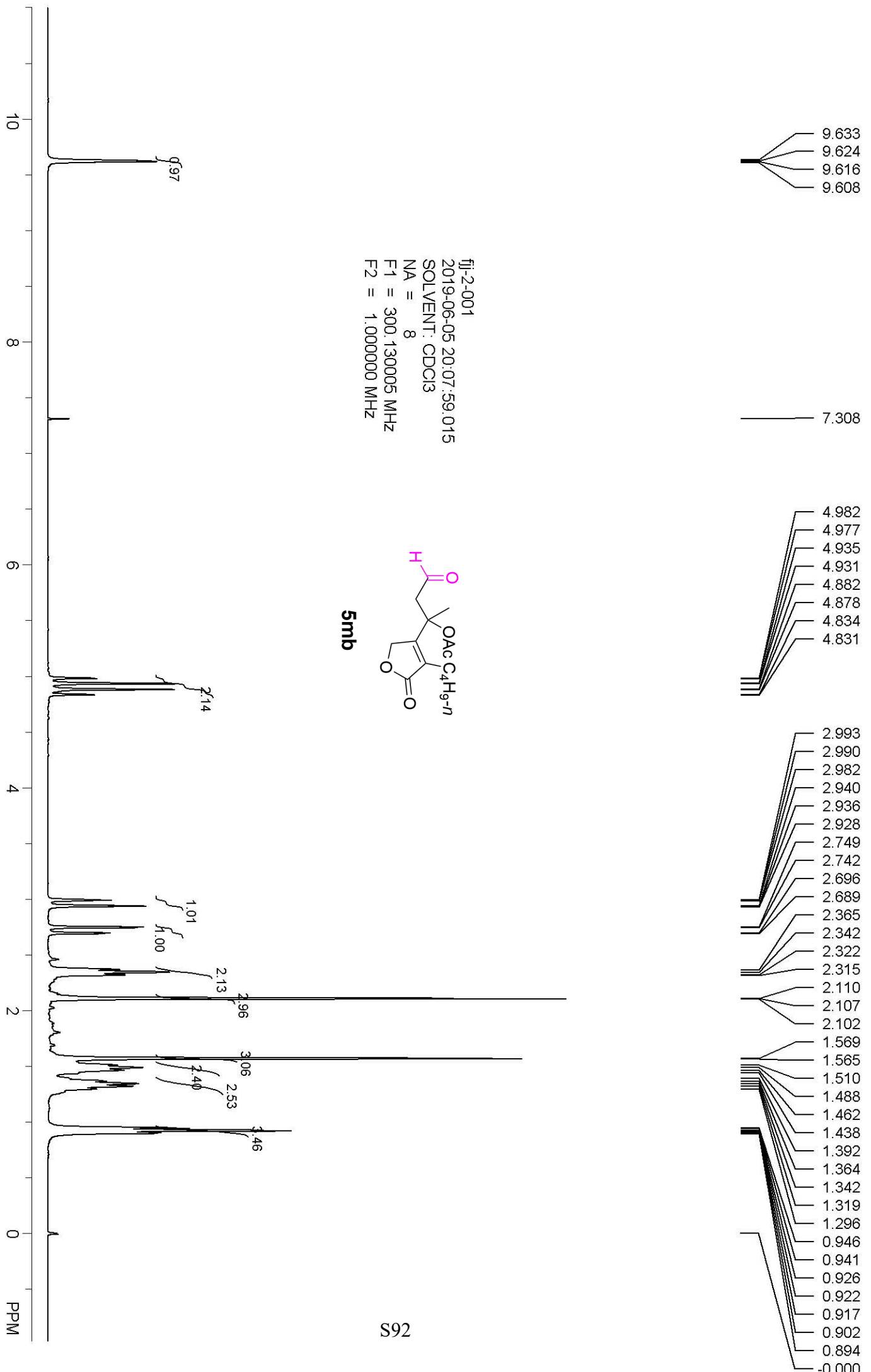
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2019-06-27 14:00:31.484
SOLVENT: CDCl3
NA = 8
F1 = 300.130005 MHz
F2 = 1.000000 MHz

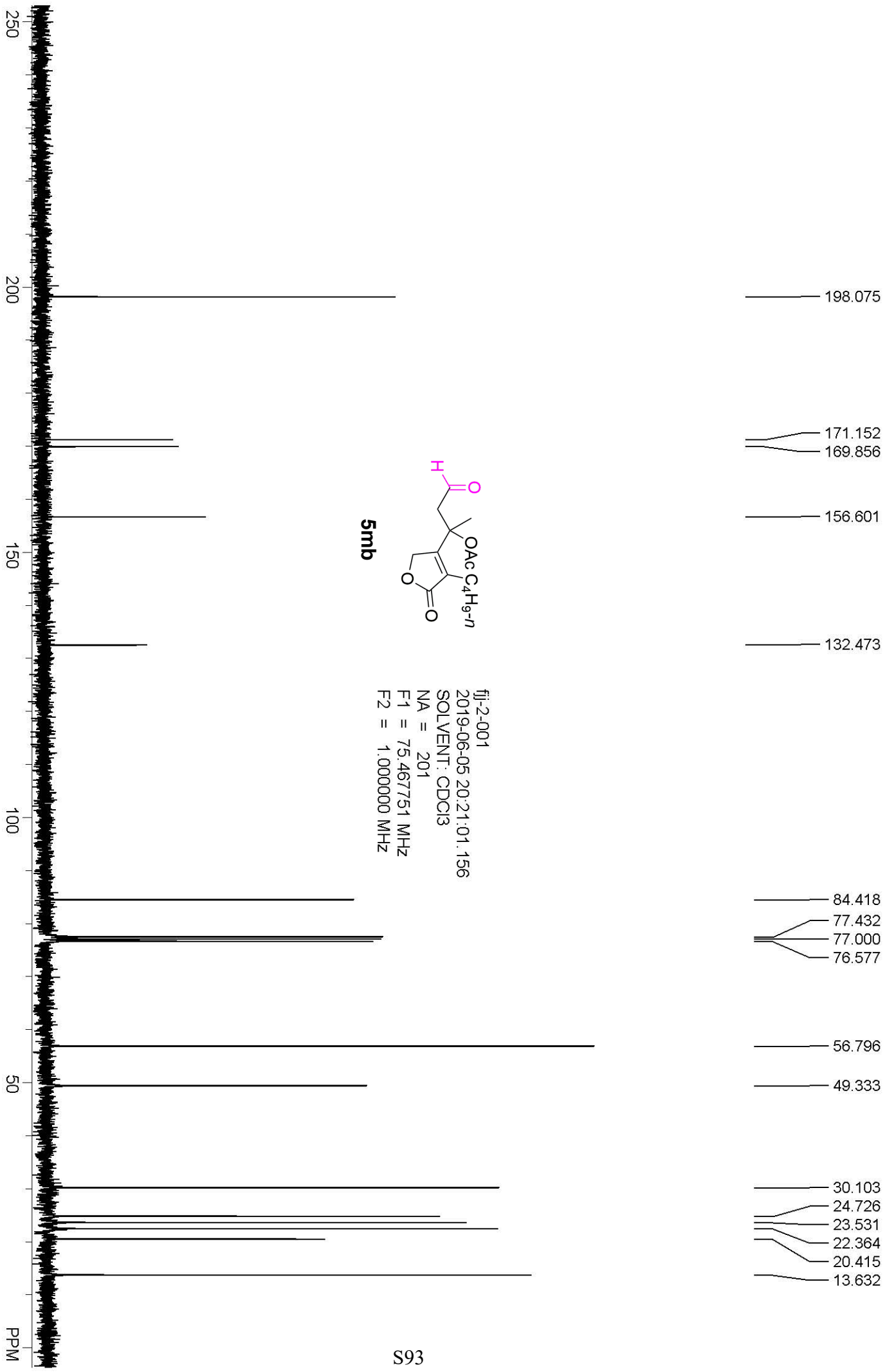


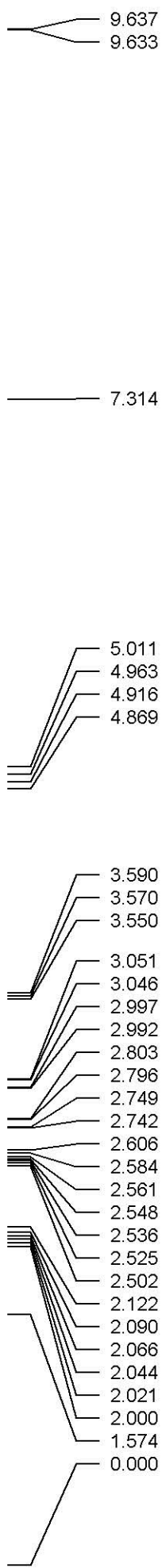
fl-2-023
2019-06-27 14:10:35.203
SOLVENT: CDCl3
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F1 = 75.467751 MHz
F2 = 1.000000 MHz

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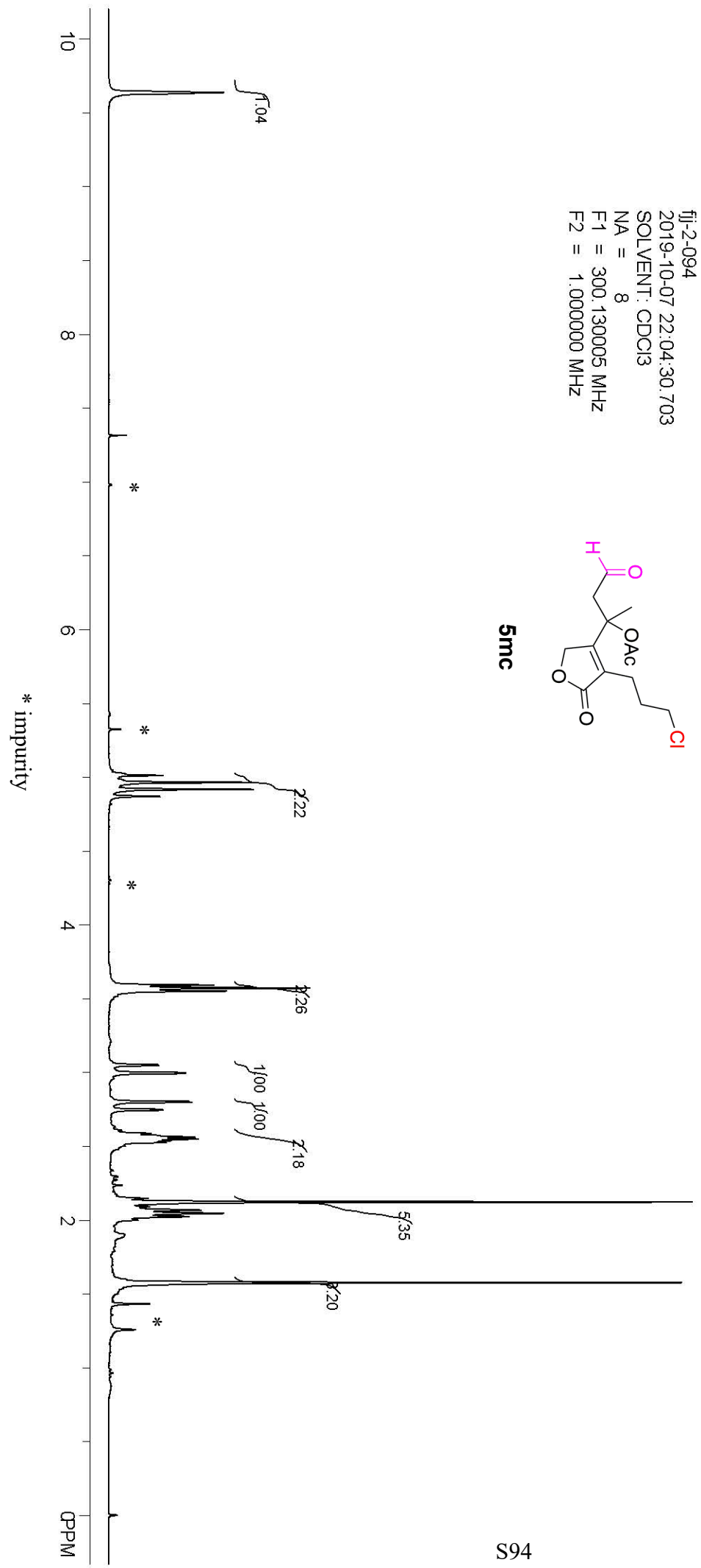
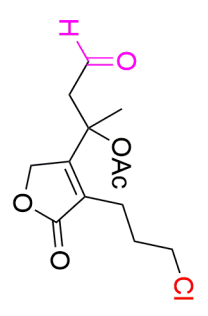


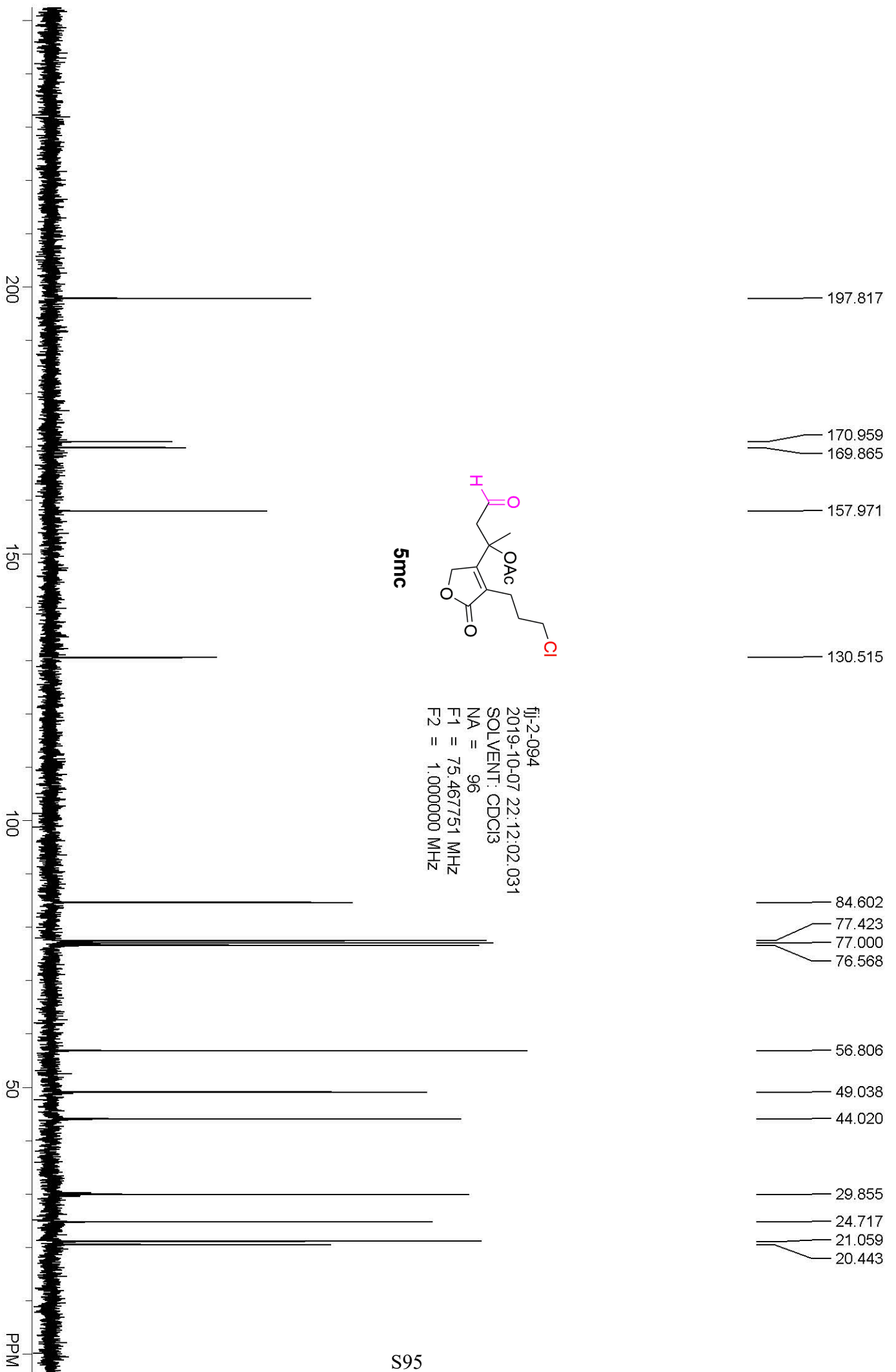


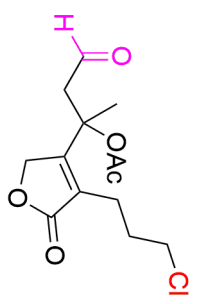
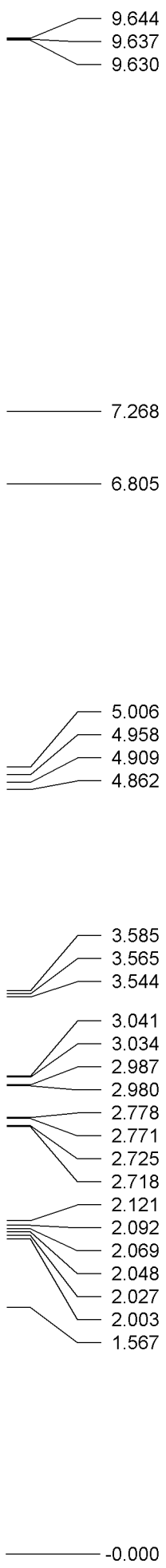




fj-2-094
2019-10-07 22:04:30.703
SOLVENT: CDCl3
NA = 8
F1 = 300.130005 MHz
F2 = 1.000000 MHz



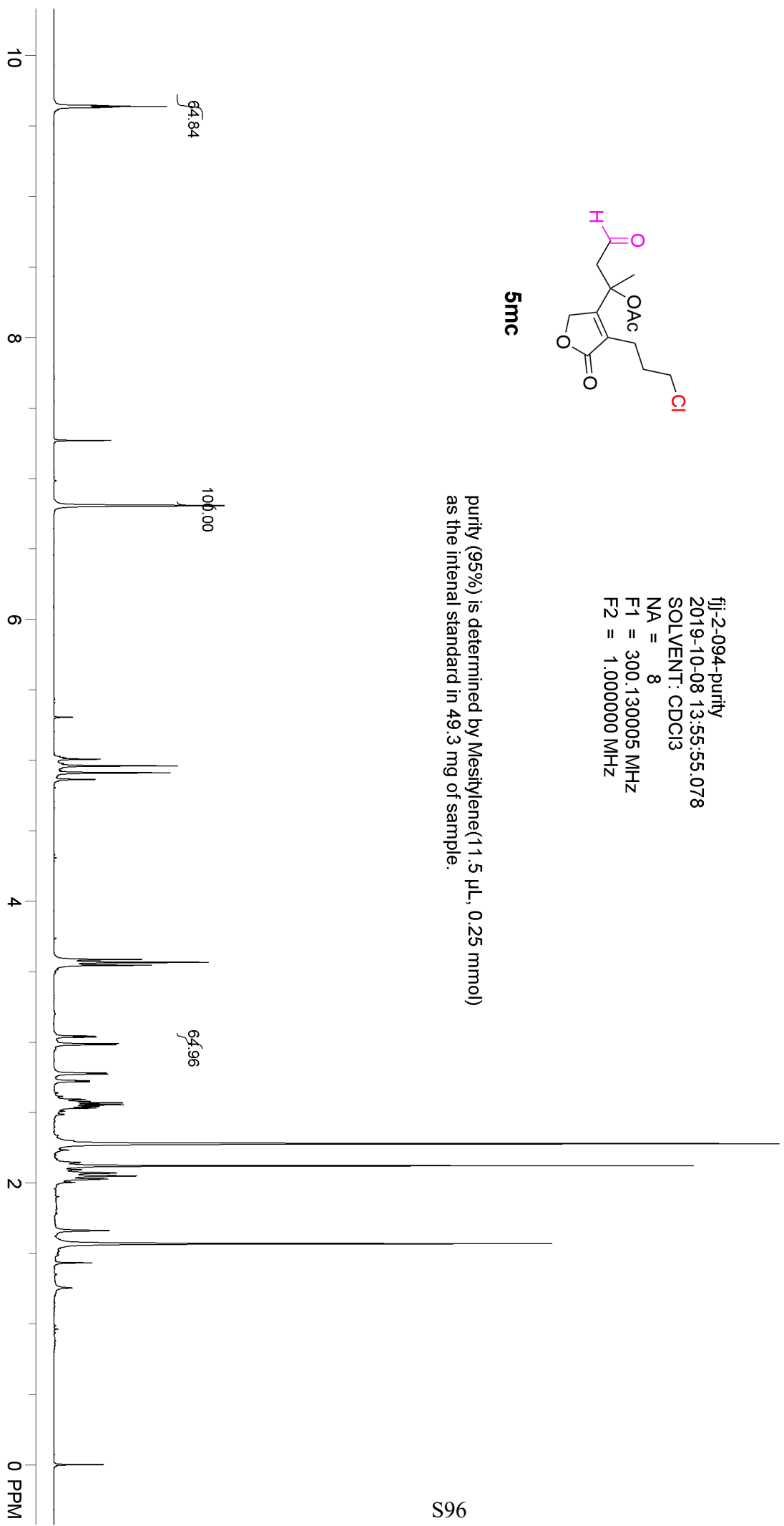


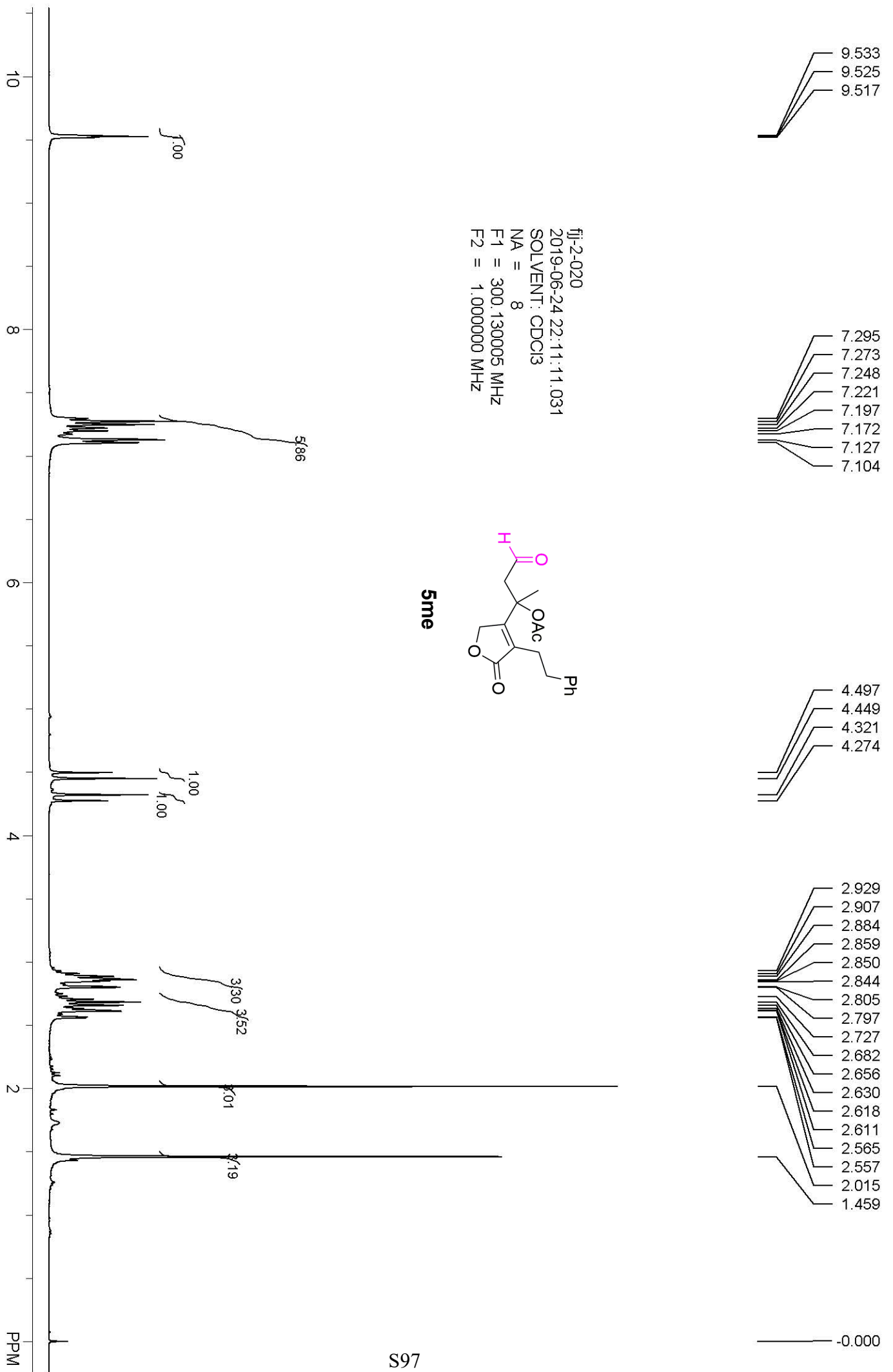


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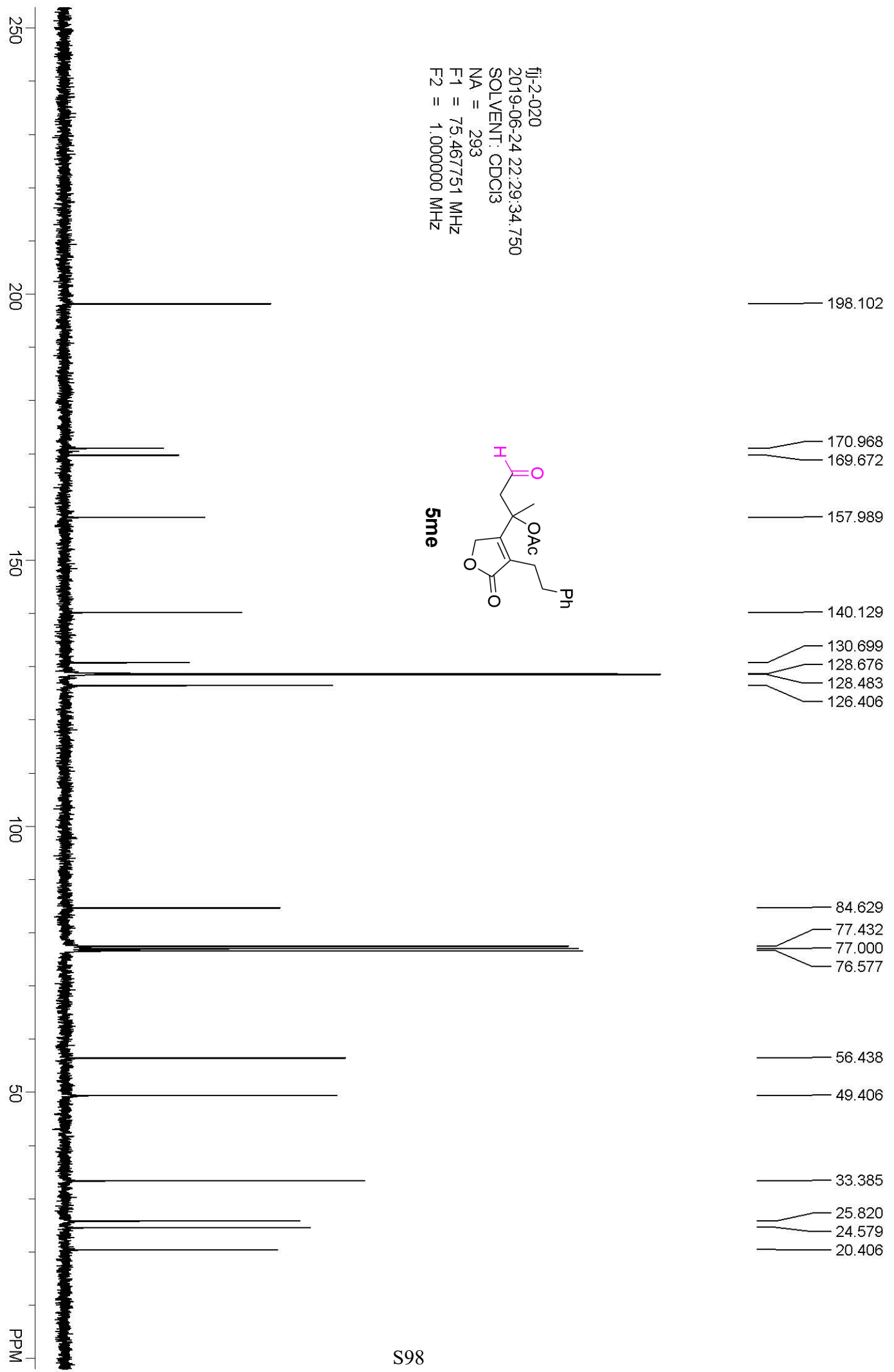
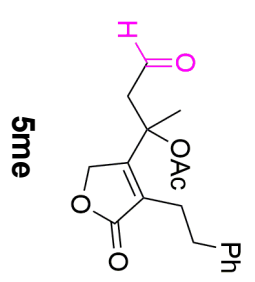
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 2019-10-08 13:55:55.078
 SOLVENT: CDCl3
 NA = 8
 F1 = 300.130005 MHz
 F2 = 1.000000 MHz

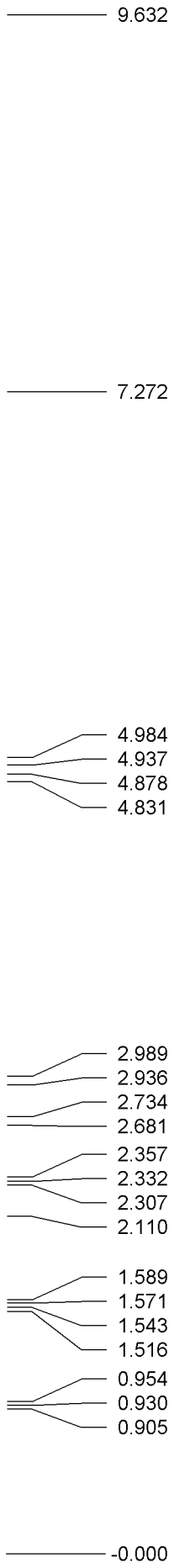
purity (95%) is determined by Mesitylene(11.5 µL, 0.25 mmol) as the internal standard in 49.3 mg of sample.



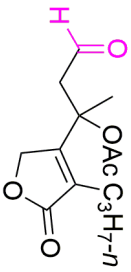


fl-2-020
2019-06-24 22:29:34.750
SOLVENT: CDCl3
NA = 293
F1 = 75.467751 MHz
F2 = 1.000000 MHz

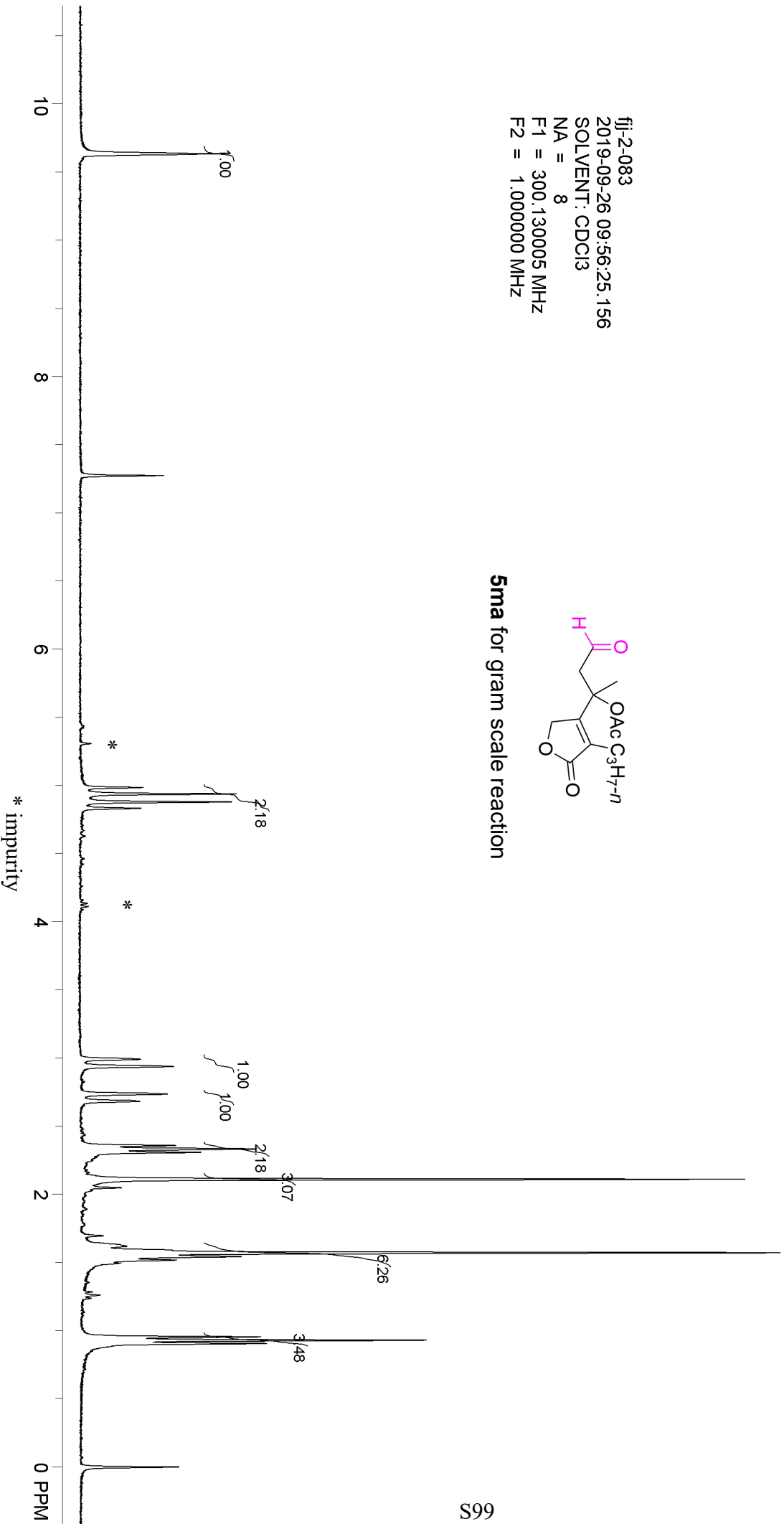




fj-2-083
 2019-09-26 09:56:25.156
 SOLVENT: CDCl3
 NA = 8
 F1 = 300.130005 MHz
 F2 = 1.000000 MHz

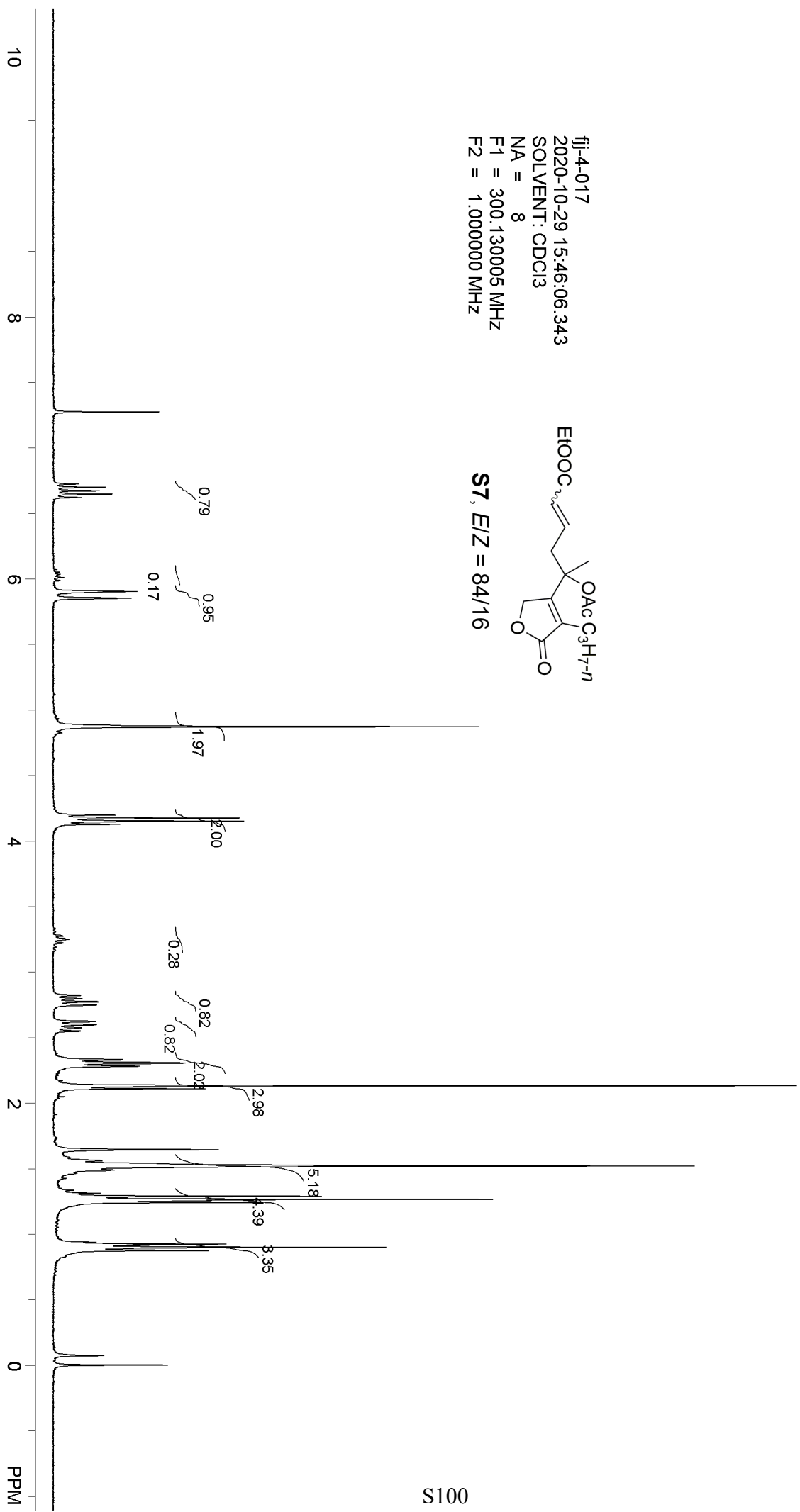
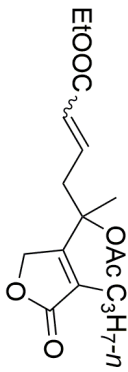


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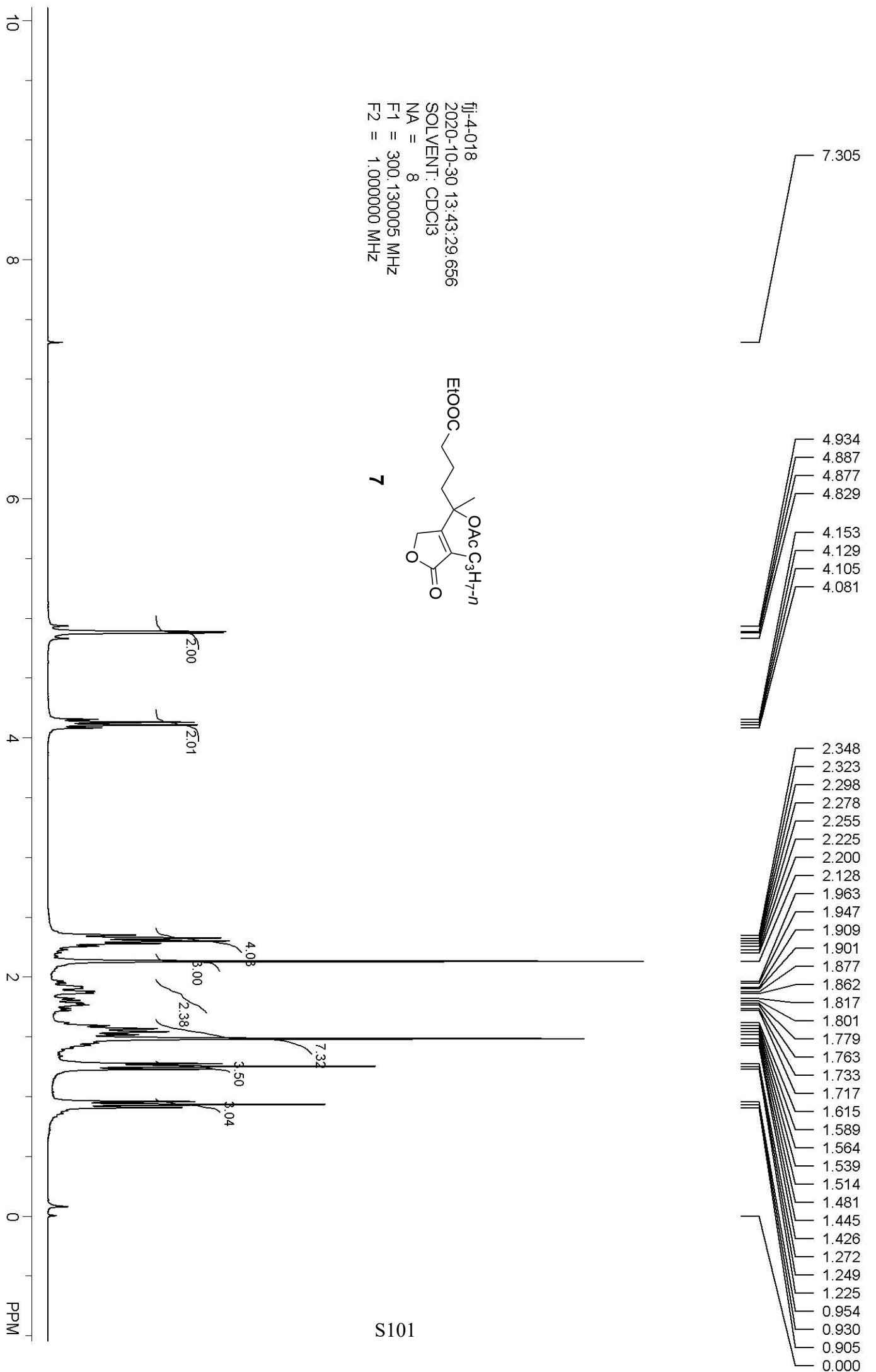
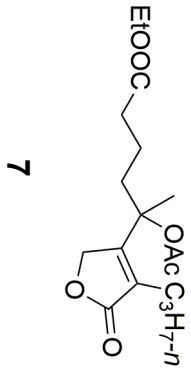


- 7.273
- 6.723
- 6.698
- 6.672
- 6.646
- 6.621
- 6.072
- 6.048
- 6.034
- 6.026
- 6.010
- 5.988
- 5.904
- 5.852
- 4.872
- 4.198
- 4.174
- 4.151
- 4.127
- 3.334
- 3.310
- 3.273
- 3.251
- 3.225
- 3.195
- 3.166
- 2.825
- 2.821
- 2.798
- 2.796
- 2.775
- 2.772
- 2.750
- 2.746
- 2.623
- 2.599
- 2.574
- 2.550
- 2.305
- 2.282
- 2.132
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- 1.644
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- 1.289
- 1.241
- 0.923
- 0.899
- 0.874
- 0.000

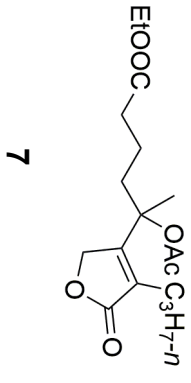
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 F1 = 300.130005 MHz
 F2 = 1.000000 MHz



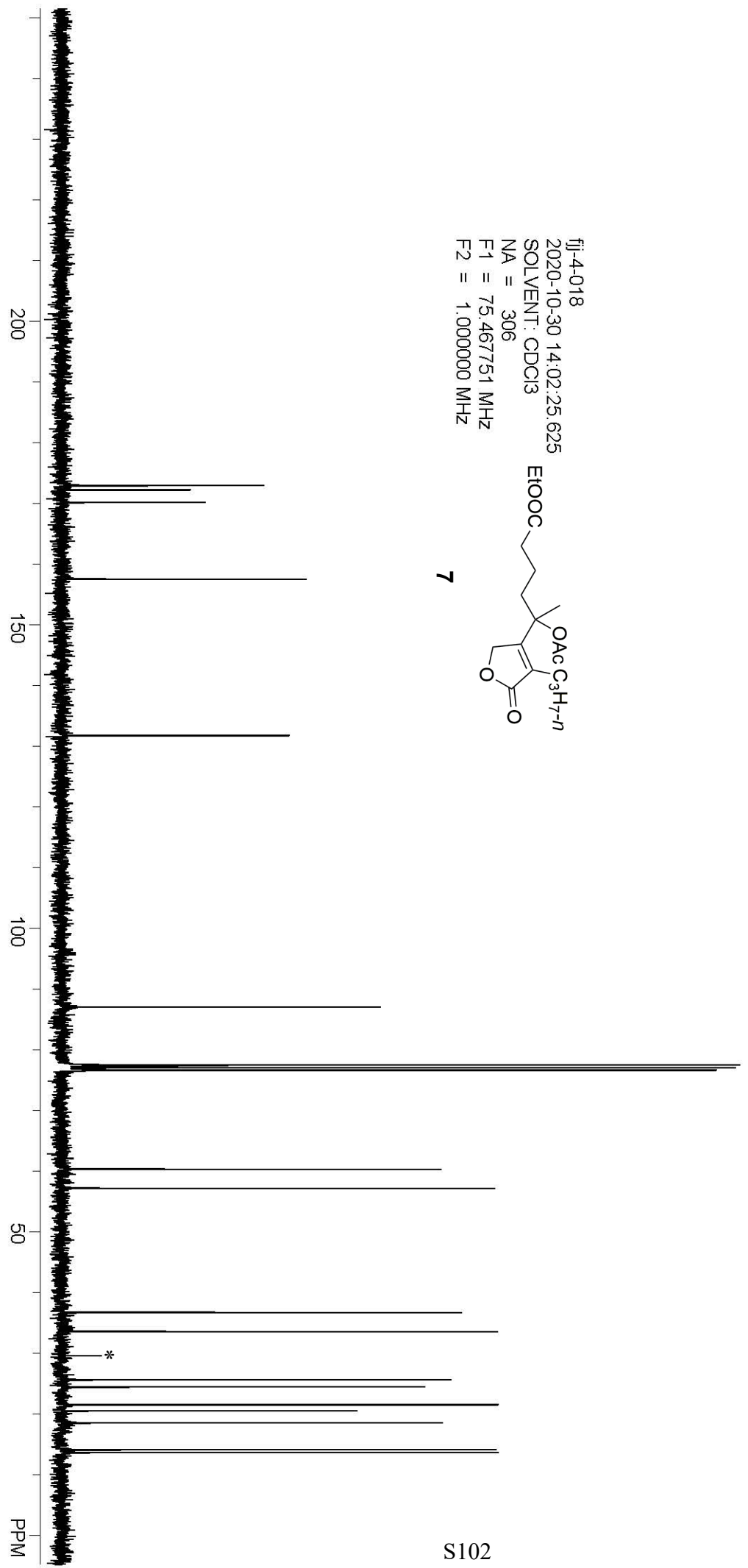
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 2020-10-30 13:43:29.656
 SOLVENT: CDCl3
 NA = 8
 F1 = 300.130005 MHz
 F2 = 1.000000 MHz



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 SOLVENT: CDCl3
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 F1 = 75.467751 MHz
 F2 = 1.000000 MHz

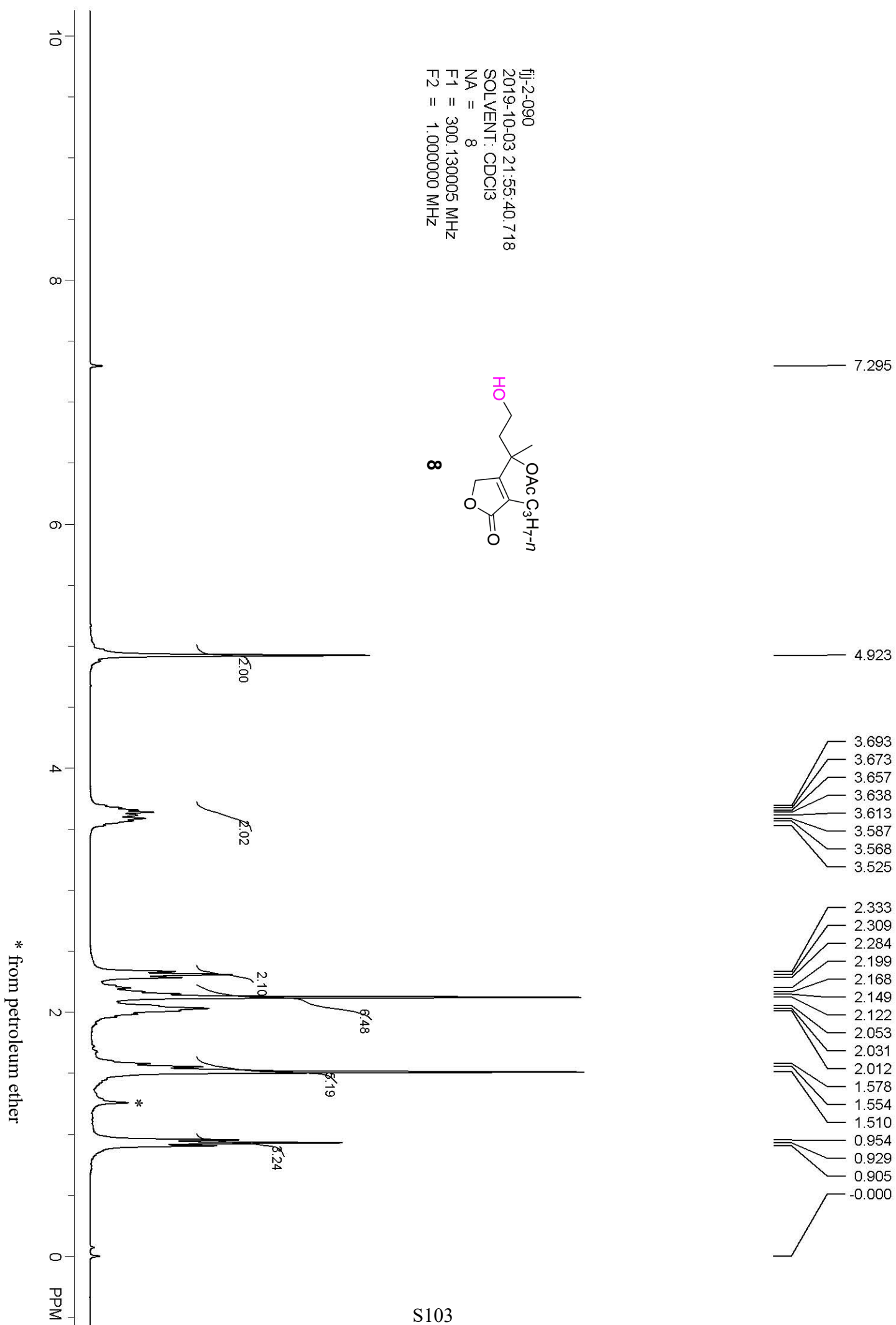
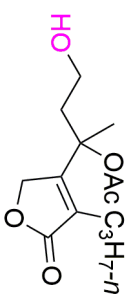


- 172.834
- 172.126
- 170.058
- 157.438
- 131.655
- 86.964
- 77.423
- 77.000
- 76.568
- 60.280
- 57.127
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- 24.432
- 21.491
- 20.489
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- 14.091
- 13.650

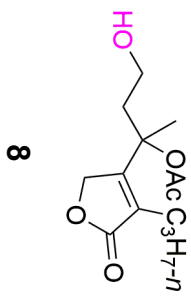


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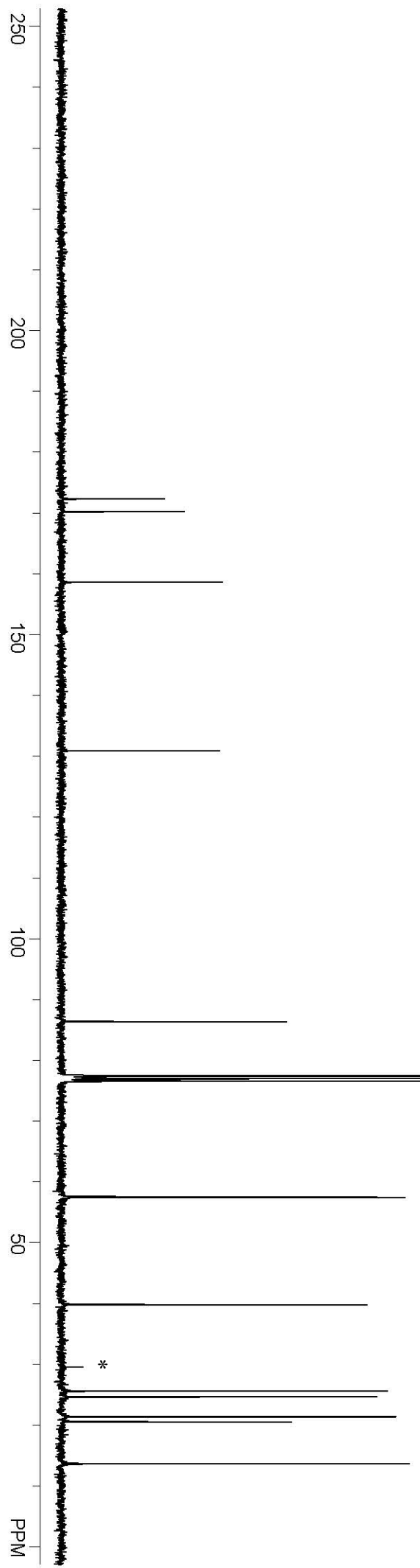
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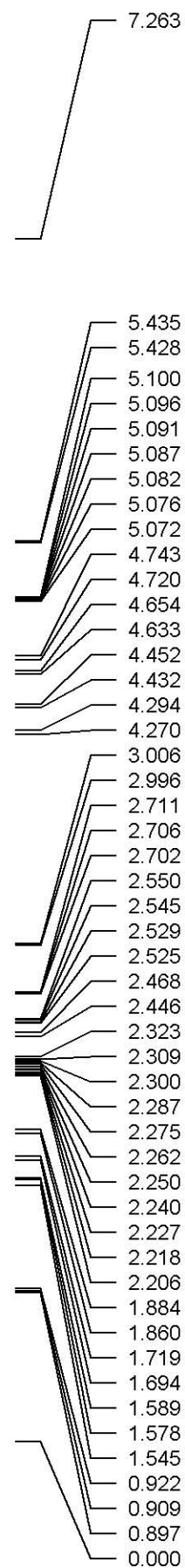


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F2 = 1.000000 MHz

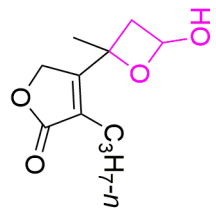


- 172.264
- 170.159
- 158.577
- 130.864
- 86.339
- 77.432
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- 57.568
- 57.458
- 39.810
- 25.618
- 24.662
- 21.399
- 20.562
- 13.678

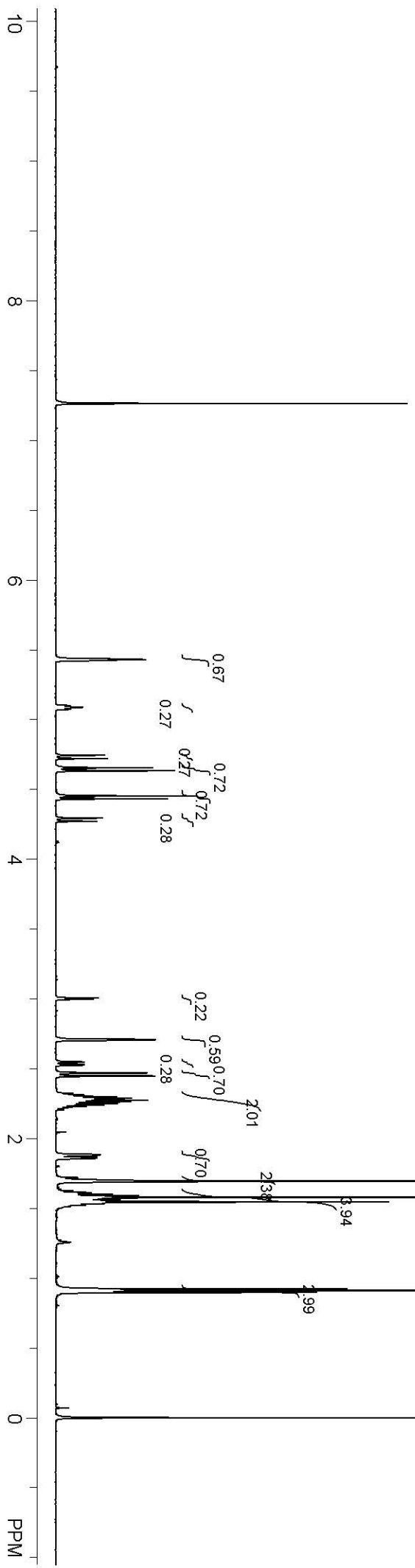




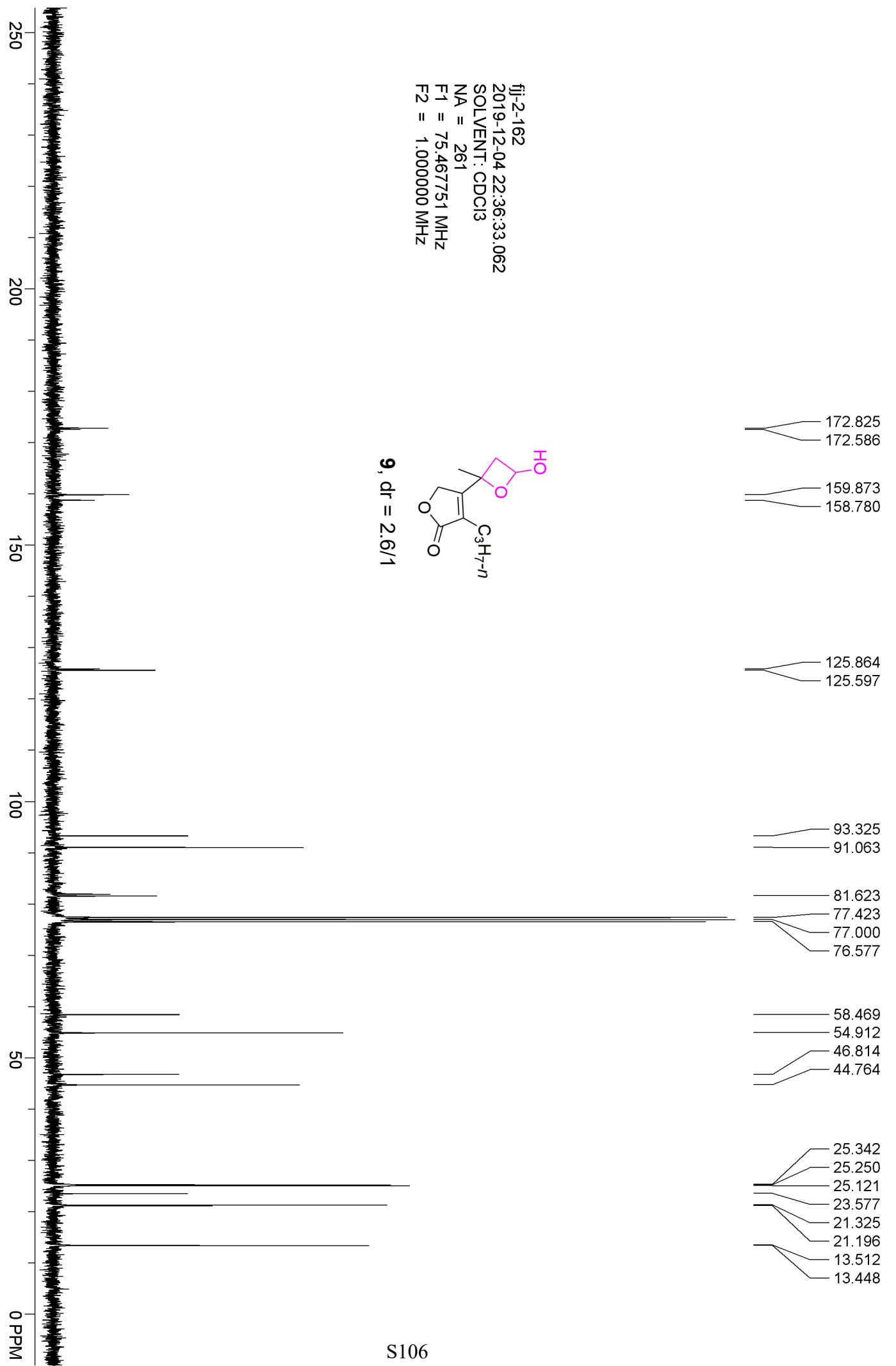
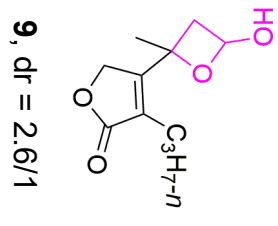
FJ-2-162 in CDCl3
 Dec 5 2019
 SOLVENT: cdcl3
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 F1 = 599.770264 MHz
 F2 = 150.825745 MHz



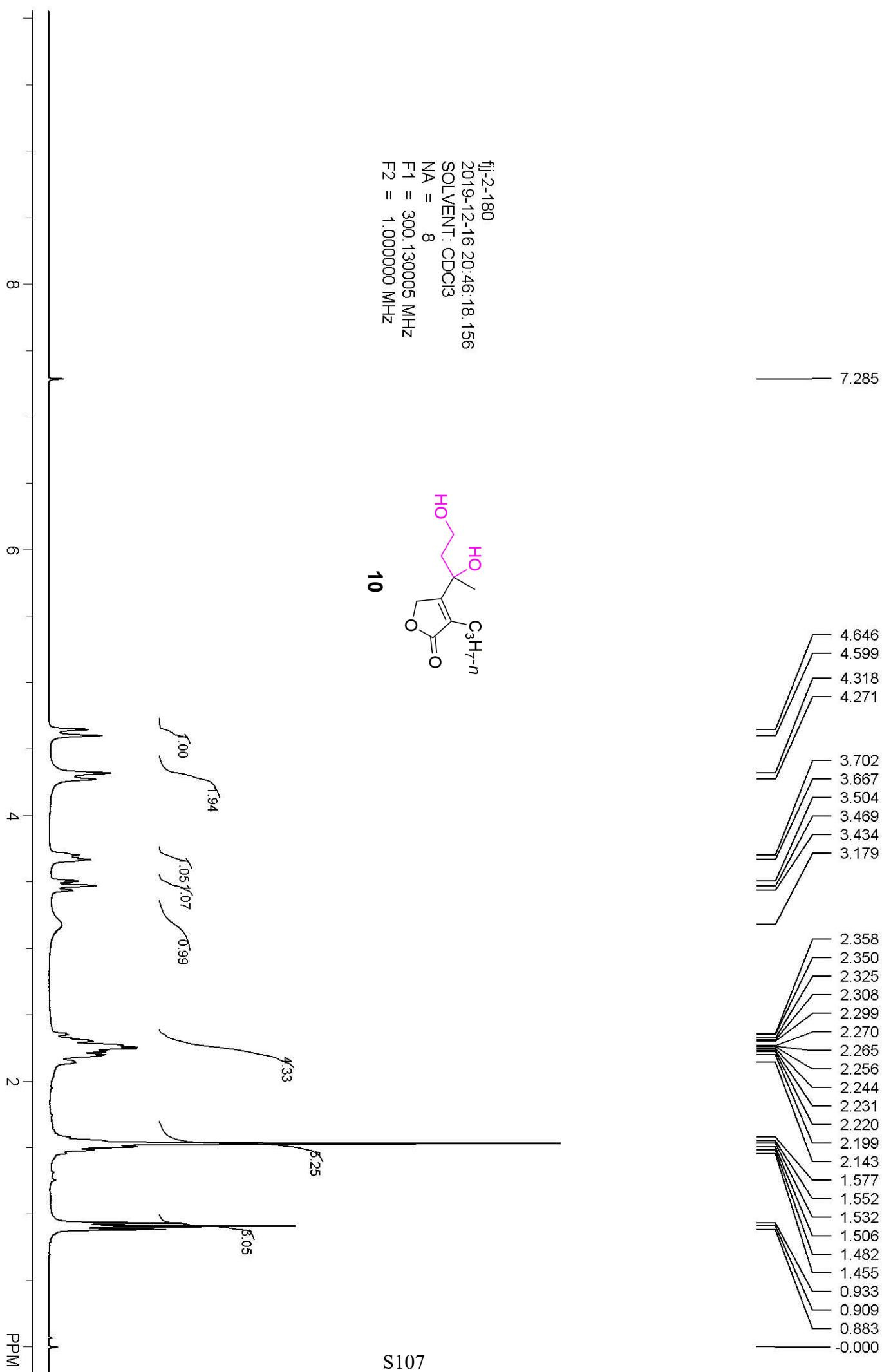
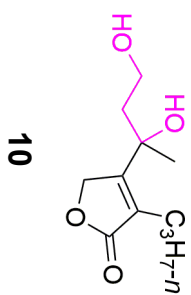
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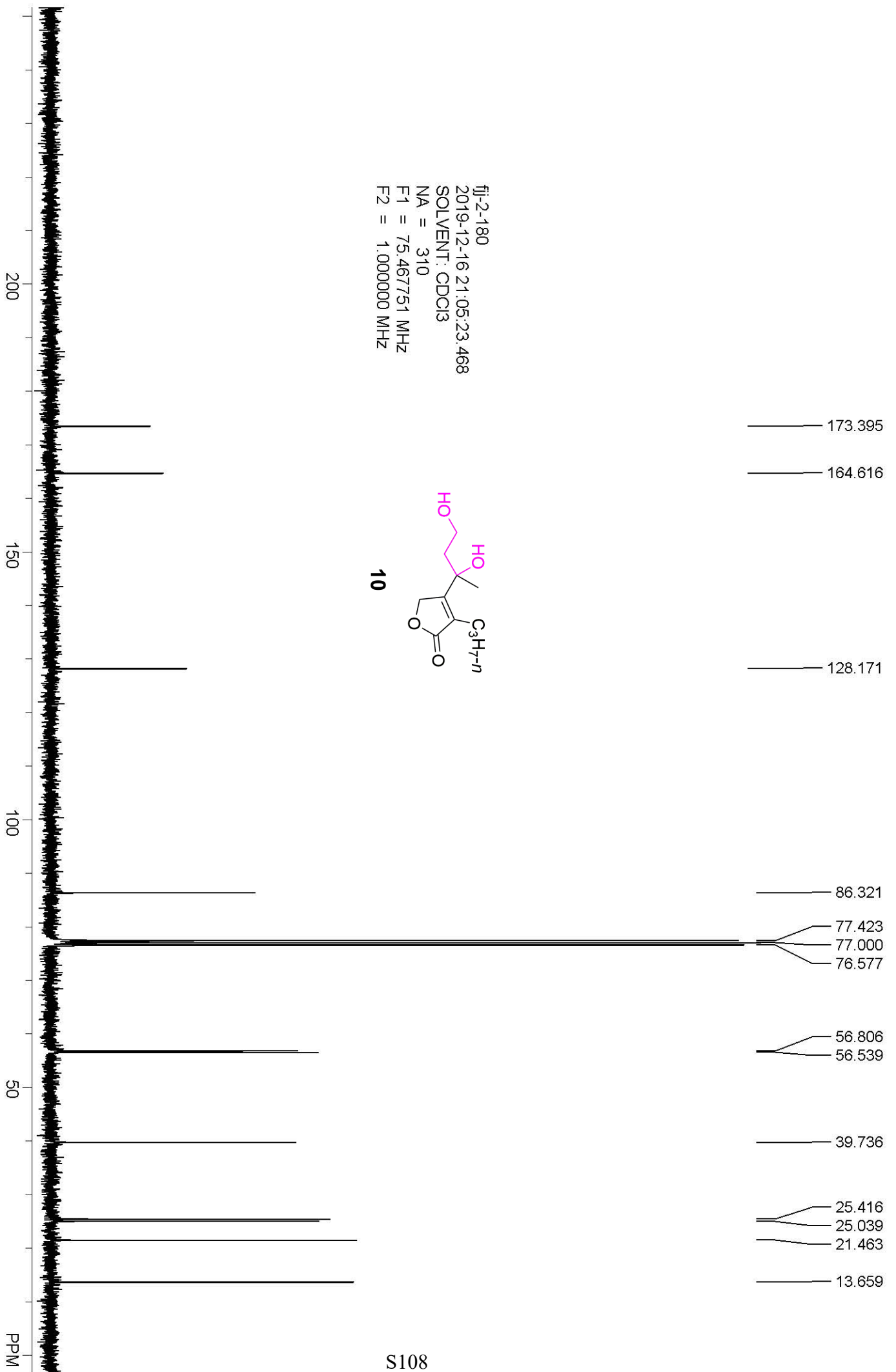
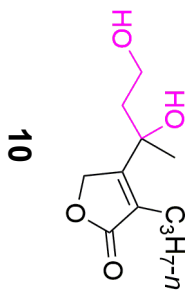
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F1 = 75.467751 MHz
F2 = 1.000000 MHz



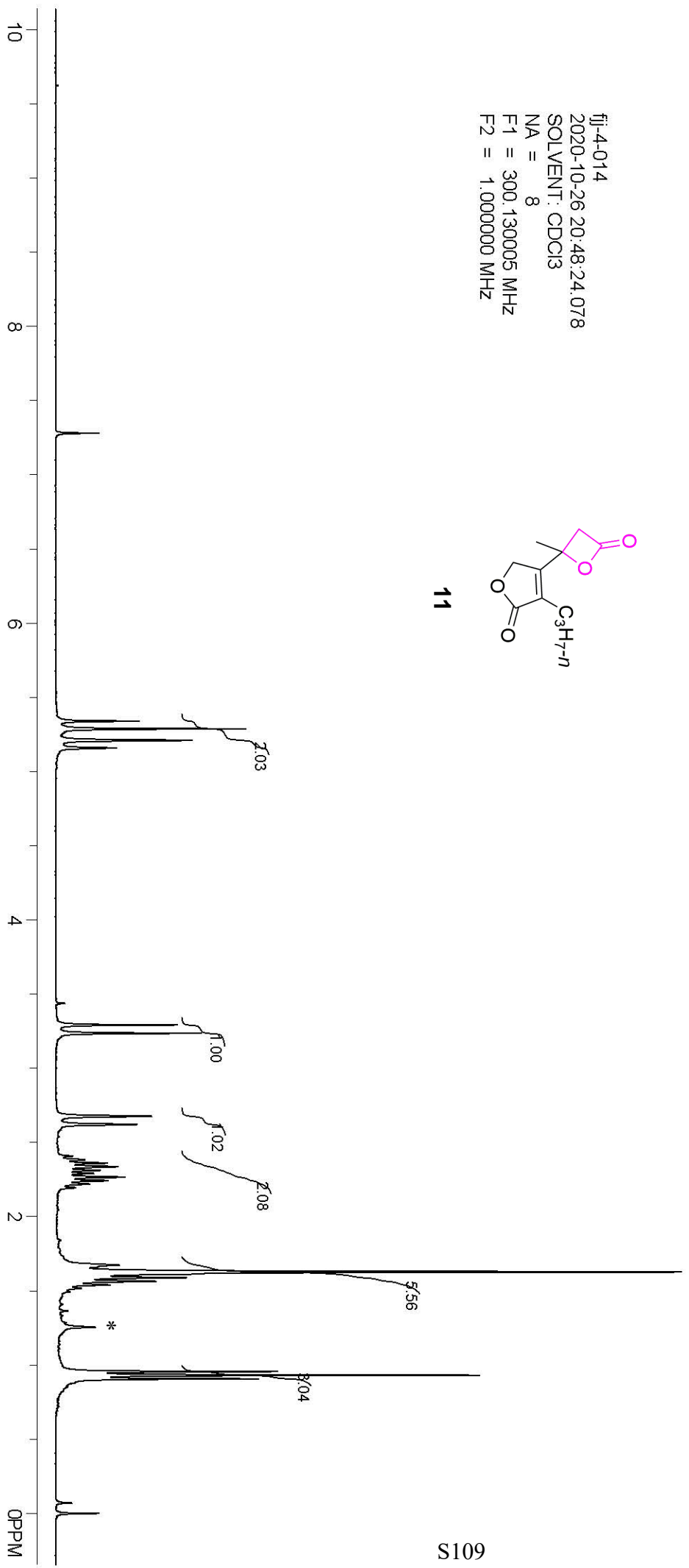
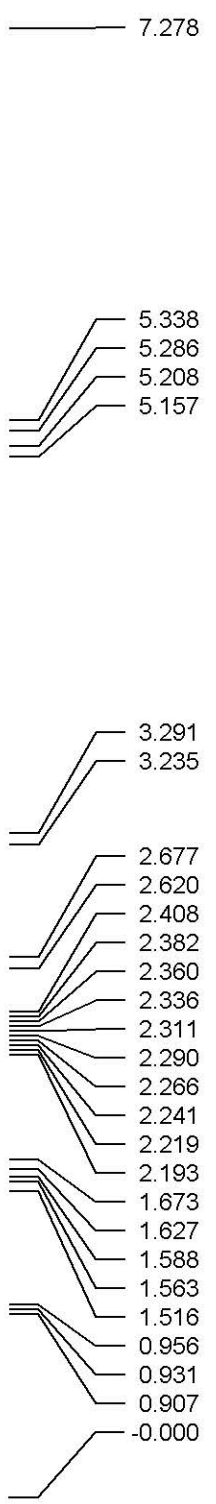
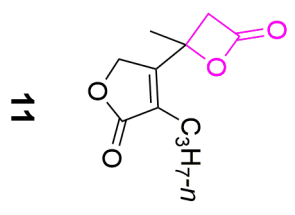
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SOLVENT: CDCl3
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F1 = 300.130005 MHz
F2 = 1.000000 MHz



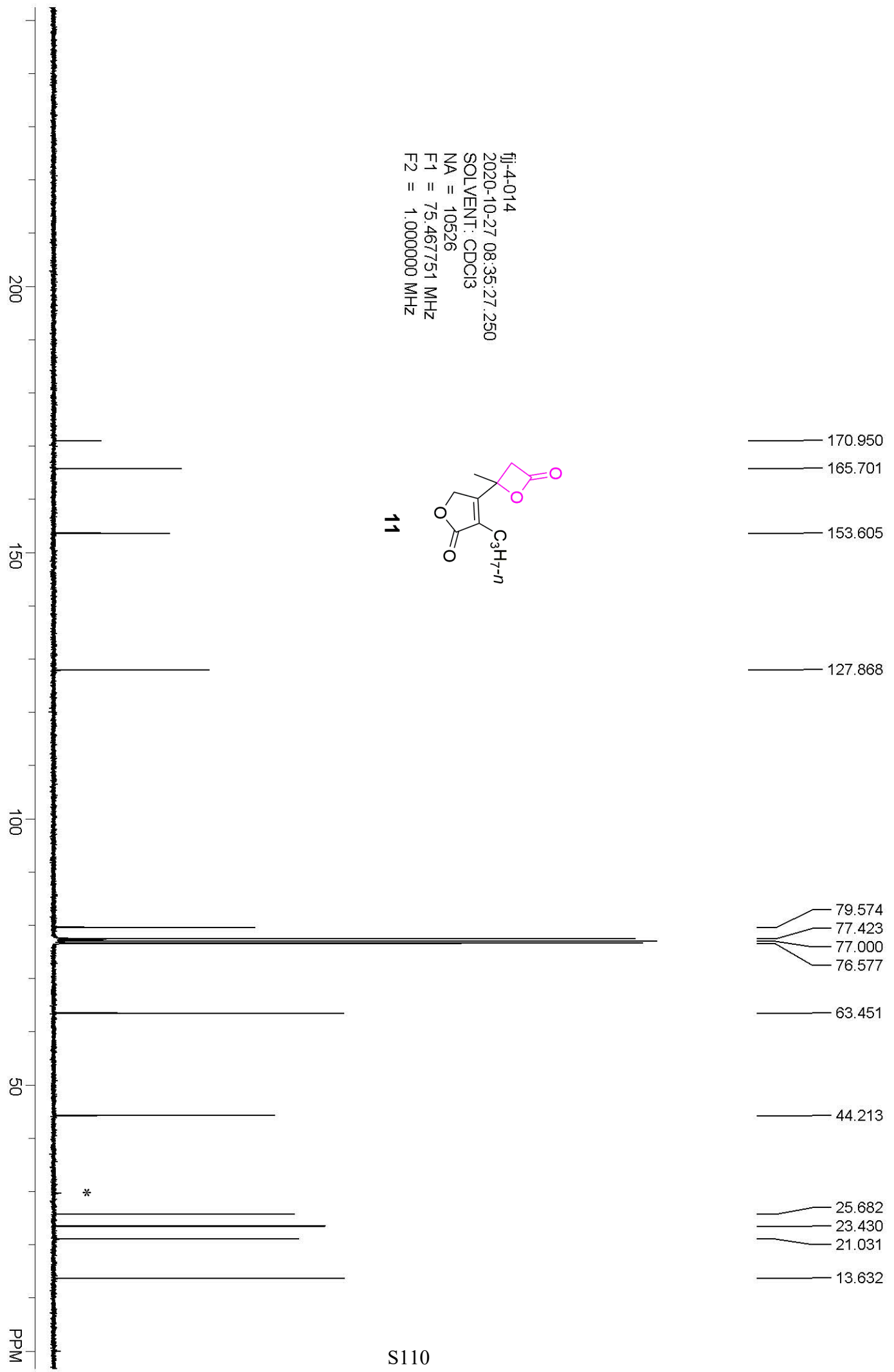
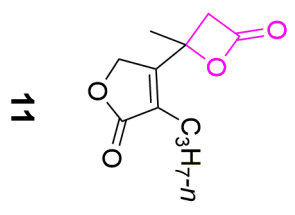
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SOLVENT: CDCl3
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F1 = 75.467751 MHz
F2 = 1.000000 MHz



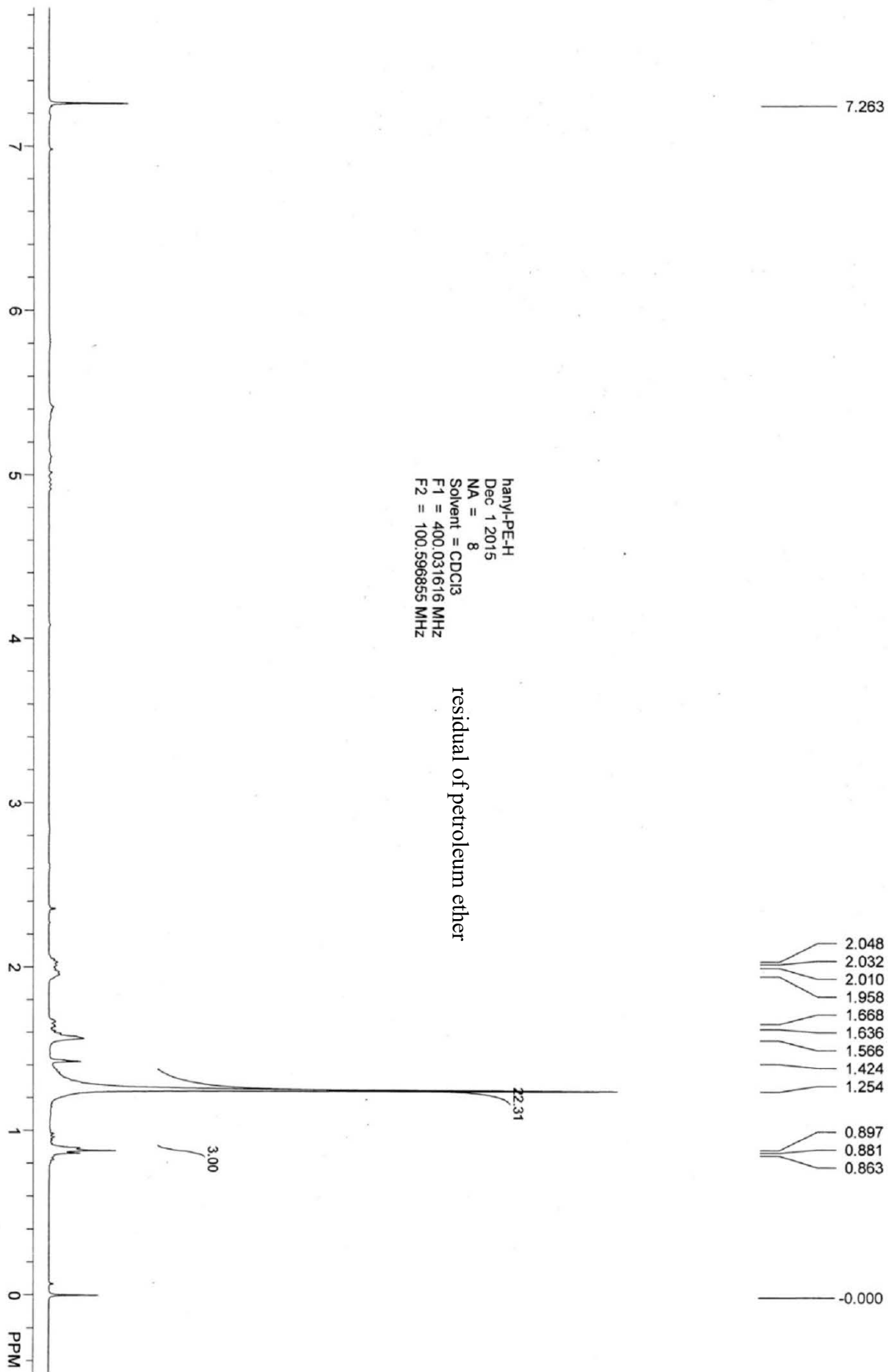
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 SOLVENT: CDCl3
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 F1 = 300.130005 MHz
 F2 = 1.000000 MHz

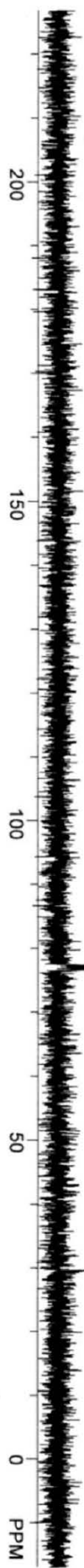


fj-4-014
2020-10-27 08:35:27.250
SOLVENT: CDCl3
NA = 10526
F1 = 75.467751 MHz
F2 = 1.000000 MHz



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NA = 28
Solvent = cdcl3
F1 = 100.597885 MHz
F2 = 400.030792 MHz

77.316
77.000
76.681

29.687