

Supporting Information

Photoredox /Copper-Catalyzed *gem*-Difluoroalkylation-Cyanation of 1,3-Enynes

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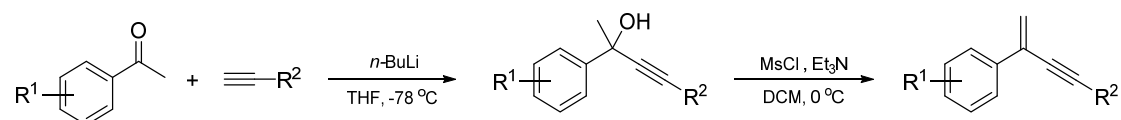
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1. General Information

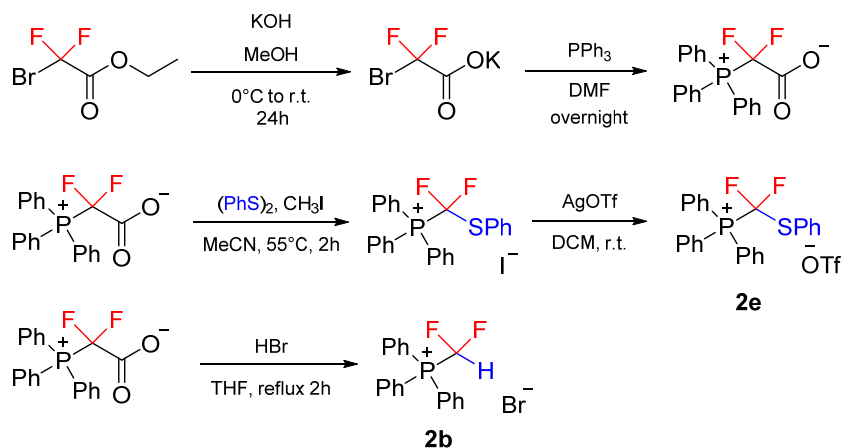
^1H NMR (TMS as the internal standard), ^{13}C NMR and ^{19}F NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker AM400 spectrometer. The following abbreviations were used to explain the multiplicities: s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet. The NMR yield was determined by ^{19}F NMR using trifluorotoluene as an internal standard. IR spectra were recorded on a Thermo Scientific Nicolet iS10 Fourier transform infrared (FT-IR) spectrometer and were reported in terms of wavenumber of absorption (cm^{-1}). Detection of melting point was conducted on the SGW X-4 microscopic melting point meter. HRMS-ESI data was collected by Thermo Fisher Scientific Q Exactive HF Orbitrap-FTMS. LED lights were commercial from Kessil® (KSA 160WE-TB, 40W). Unless otherwise stated, all reactions were carried out under strictly anhydrous conditions and N_2 atmosphere. Unless otherwise noted, all reagents were used as received from commercial sources.

2. Preparation of Substrates and Reagents

Substrates **1a**¹, **1b**¹, **1c**², **1d**³, **1e**⁴, **1f**⁵, **1g**³, **1h**², **1i**¹, **1j**¹, **1k**⁶, **1l**⁵, **1m**³, **1n**⁷, **1o**⁸, **1p**⁹, **1q**⁵, **1r**⁶, **1s**¹⁰, **1t**¹, **1u**¹, **1v**¹¹, **1w**¹, **1x**¹, **1y**⁷ were prepared according to the reported literatures.

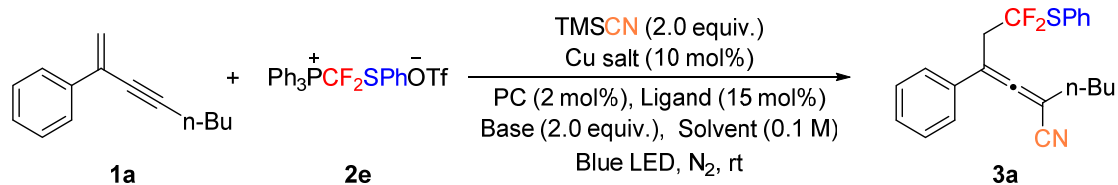


Reagents **2e**¹², **2b**¹³ were prepared according to the reported literatures.



3. Optimization of reaction conditions

Table 1. Optimization of reaction conditions^[a].

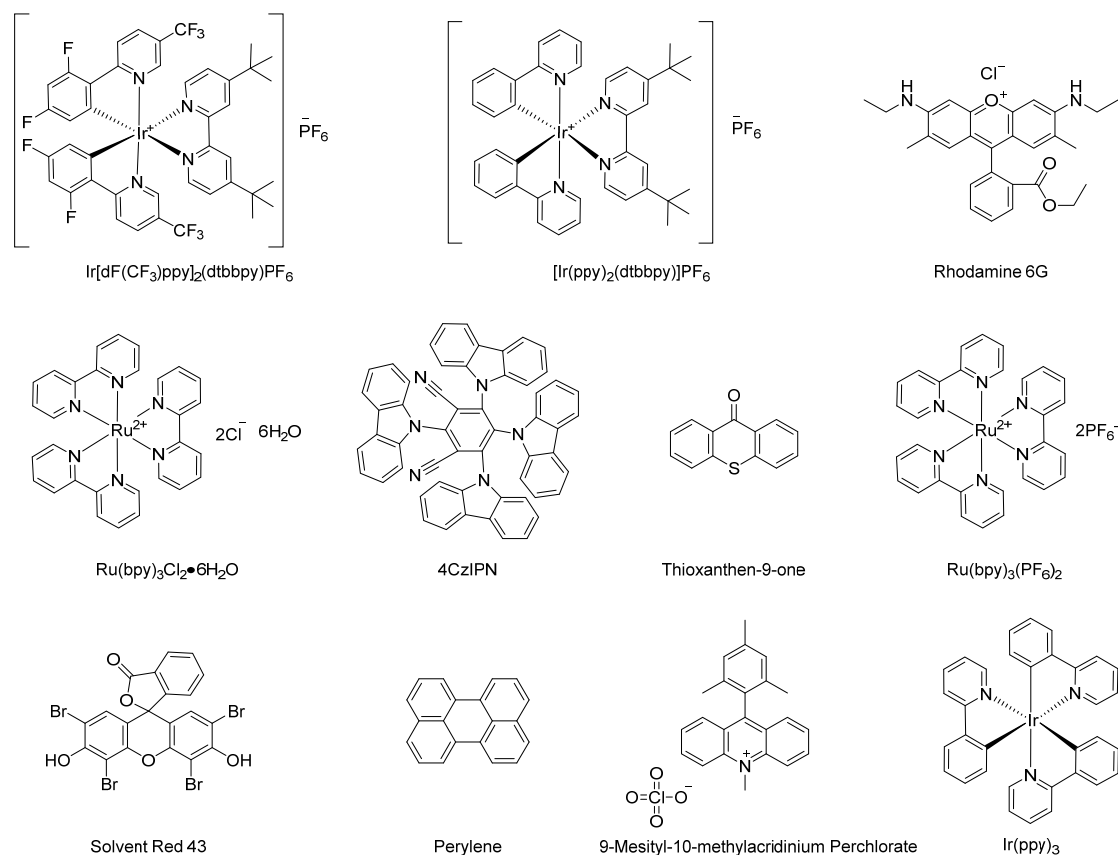


Entry	1a	2e	photocatalyst	Ligand	Cu salt	Solvent	Base	Time	Yield (%) ^[b]
1	1	1.5	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) ₃	dtbbpy	Cu(MeCN) ₄ PF ₆	MeCN	K ₂ CO ₃	6 h	51
2	1.5	1	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) ₃	dtbbpy	Cu(MeCN) ₄ PF ₆	MeCN	K ₂ CO ₃	6 h	70
3	1	2	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) ₃	dtbbpy	Cu(MeCN) ₄ PF ₆	MeCN	K ₂ CO ₃	6 h	65
4	2	1	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) ₃	dtbbpy	Cu(MeCN) ₄ PF ₆	MeCN	K ₂ CO ₃	6 h	74
5	1.5	1	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) ₃	dtbbpy	(CF ₃ SO ₂) ₂ Cu	MeCN	K ₂ CO ₃	6 h	32
6	1.5	1	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) ₃	dtbbpy	Cu(OAc) ₂	MeCN	K ₂ CO ₃	6 h	29
7	1.5	1	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) ₃	dtbbpy	CuI	MeCN	K ₂ CO ₃	6 h	<5
8	1.5	1	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) ₃	dtbbpy	CuCl	MeCN	K ₂ CO ₃	6 h	39
9	1.5	1	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) ₃	dtbbpy	Cu(MeCN) ₄ BF ₄	MeCN	K ₂ CO ₃	6 h	83
10	1.5	1	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) ₃	dtbbpy	Cu(MeCN) ₄ BF ₄	MeCN	K ₃ PO ₄ ·3H ₂ O	6 h	39
11	1.5	1	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) ₃	dtbbpy	Cu(MeCN) ₄ BF ₄	MeCN	MeONa	6 h	32
12	1.5	1	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) ₃	dtbbpy	Cu(MeCN) ₄ BF ₄	MeCN	CsF	6 h	53
13	1.5	1	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) ₃	dtbbpy	Cu(MeCN) ₄ BF ₄	MeCN	CH ₃ CO ₂ Na	6 h	90, 88 ^[c]
14	1.5	1	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) ₃	dtbbpy	Cu(MeCN) ₄ PF ₆	MeCN	CH ₃ CO ₂ Na	6 h	77
15	1.5	1	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) ₃	dtbbpy	Cu(OAc) ₂	MeCN	CH ₃ CO ₂ Na	6 h	39
16	1.5	1	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) ₃	dtbbpy	CuCl	MeCN	CH ₃ CO ₂ Na	6 h	50
17	1	1.5	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) ₃	dtbbpy	Cu(MeCN) ₄ BF ₄	MeCN	CH ₃ CO ₂ Na	6 h	71
18	2	1	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) ₃	dtbbpy	Cu(MeCN) ₄ BF ₄	MeCN	CH ₃ CO ₂ Na	6 h	86
19	1.5	1	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) ₃	dtbbpy	Cu(MeCN) ₄ BF ₄	MeCN	CH ₃ CO ₂ Na	3 h	60
20	1.5	1	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) ₃	dtbbpy	Cu(MeCN) ₄ BF ₄	MeCN	CH ₃ CO ₂ Na	12 h	87

21	1.5	1	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) ₃	dtbbpy	Cu(MeCN) ₄ BF ₄	PhCl	CH ₃ CO ₂ Na	6 h	<5
22	1.5	1	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) ₃	dtbbpy	Cu(MeCN) ₄ BF ₄	DMF	CH ₃ CO ₂ Na	6 h	<5
23	1.5	1	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) ₃	dtbbpy	Cu(MeCN) ₄ BF ₄	DCE	CH ₃ CO ₂ Na	6 h	<5
24	1.5	1	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) ₃	dtbbpy	Cu(MeCN) ₄ BF ₄	THF	CH ₃ CO ₂ Na	6 h	<5
25	1.5	1	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) ₃	dtbbpy	Cu(MeCN) ₄ BF ₄	EA	CH ₃ CO ₂ Na	6 h	15
26	1.5	1	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) ₃	4,4-d(Me)bpy	Cu(MeCN) ₄ BF ₄	MeCN	CH ₃ CO ₂ Na	6 h	62
27	1.5	1	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) ₃	4,4-d(OMe)bpy	Cu(MeCN) ₄ BF ₄	MeCN	CH ₃ CO ₂ Na	6 h	68
28	1.5	1	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) ₃	bpy	Cu(MeCN) ₄ BF ₄	MeCN	CH ₃ CO ₂ Na	6 h	72
29	1.5	1	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) ₃	1,10-Phen	Cu(MeCN) ₄ BF ₄	MeCN	CH ₃ CO ₂ Na	6 h	60
30	1.5	1	Ir[dF(CF ₃)ppy] ₂ (dtbbpy)PF ₆	dtbbpy	Cu(MeCN) ₄ BF ₄	MeCN	CH ₃ CO ₂ Na	6 h	<5
31	1.5	1	[Ir(ppy) ₂ (dtbbpy)]PF ₆	dtbbpy	Cu(MeCN) ₄ BF ₄	MeCN	CH ₃ CO ₂ Na	6 h	<5
32	1.5	1	Rhodamine 6G	dtbbpy	Cu(MeCN) ₄ BF ₄	MeCN	CH ₃ CO ₂ Na	6 h	0
33	1.5	1	Ru(bpy) ₃ Cl ₂ •6H ₂ O	dtbbpy	Cu(MeCN) ₄ BF ₄	MeCN	CH ₃ CO ₂ Na	6 h	0
34	1.5	1	4CzIPN	dtbbpy	Cu(MeCN) ₄ BF ₄	MeCN	CH ₃ CO ₂ Na	6 h	0
35	1.5	1	Thioxanthen-9-one	dtbbpy	Cu(MeCN) ₄ BF ₄	MeCN	CH ₃ CO ₂ Na	6 h	0
36	1.5	1	Ru(bpy) ₃ (PF ₆) ₂	dtbbpy	Cu(MeCN) ₄ BF ₄	MeCN	CH ₃ CO ₂ Na	6 h	0
37	1.5	1	Solvent Red 43	dtbbpy	Cu(MeCN) ₄ BF ₄	MeCN	CH ₃ CO ₂ Na	6 h	0
38	1.5	1	Perylene	dtbbpy	Cu(MeCN) ₄ BF ₄	MeCN	CH ₃ CO ₂ Na	6 h	5
39	1.5	1	9-Mesityl-10-methylacridinium Perchlorate	dtbbpy	Cu(MeCN) ₄ BF ₄	MeCN	CH ₃ CO ₂ Na	6 h	7
40	1.5	1	-	dtbbpy	Cu(MeCN) ₄ BF ₄	MeCN	CH ₃ CO ₂ Na	6 h	0
41	1.5	1	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) ₃	-	Cu(MeCN) ₄ BF ₄	MeCN	CH ₃ CO ₂ Na	6 h	63
42	1.5	1	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) ₃	dtbbpy	-	MeCN	CH ₃ CO ₂ Na	6 h	0
43	1.5	1	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) ₃	dtbbpy	Cu(MeCN) ₄ BF ₄	MeCN	-	6 h	36
44 ^[d]	1.5	1	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) ₃	dtbbpy	Cu(MeCN) ₄ BF ₄	MeCN	CH ₃ CO ₂ Na	6 h	0
45 ^[e]	1.5	1	<i>fac</i> -Ir(ppy) ₃	dtbbpy	Cu(MeCN) ₄ BF ₄	MeCN	CH ₃ CO ₂ Na	6 h	<5

^[a] Reaction conditions: **1a** (0.15 mmol), **2e** (0.1 mmol), TMSCN (0.2 mmol), photocatalyst (0.002 mmol), Cu salt (0.01 mmol), ligand (0.015 mmol), base (0.2 mmol), solvent (1 mL), blue LED, under N₂, rt. ^[b] Yields were determined by ¹⁹F NMR spectroscopy with trifluorotoluene as an

internal standard. ^[c] isolated yield. ^[d] In the dark. ^[e] In air.

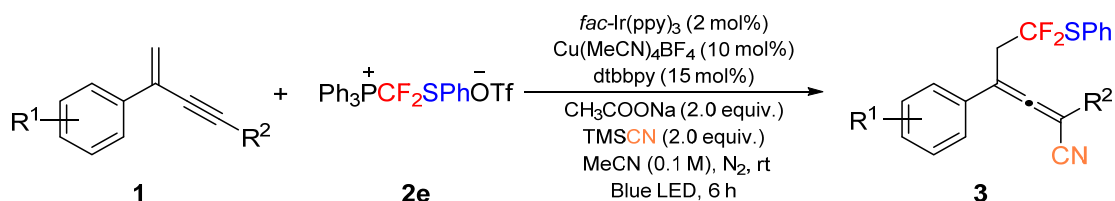


Scheme 1. Common photocatalysts

Our study commenced with oct-1-en-3-yn-2-ylbenzene (**1a**) as the model substrate, its reactivity with difluoro(phenylthio)methyltriphenylphosphonium triflate (**2e**) and TMS-CN under photoredox/copper dual catalytic systems¹⁴ was investigated (Table 1). Gratifyingly, the desired 1,4-difunctionalized product **3a** was formed in 51% yield using a catalytic system consisting of *fac*- $\text{Ir}(\text{ppy})_3$ and $\text{Cu}(\text{MeCN})_4\text{PF}_6/\text{dtbbpy}$ with K_2CO_3 as the base in MeCN under irradiation with blue LEDs (entry 1). None of the 1,2-difunctionalized product could be detected. After a series of explorations, it was found that the equivalent ratio of suitable reactants **1a/2e** is 1.5/1 (entries 1-4, 17-18). Screening of different Cu catalysts revealed that $\text{Cu}(\text{MeCN})_4\text{BF}_4$ was optimal, increasing the yield of **3a** to 83% (entries 5-9, 14-16). Subsequently, other bases including NaHCO_3 , K_3PO_4 , MeONa, CsF and NaOAc were evaluated (entries 10-13), and the best result was achieved when NaOAc as the base (entry 13). Studies of reaction duration found that 6 h was more efficient

(entries 19–20). In addition, switching MeCN to other solvents including PhCl, DMF, DCE, THF and EA proved less effective (entries 21–25). The effects of ligands on the reaction were also studied (entries 26–29). Switching the photocatalyst from *fac*-Ir(ppy)₃ to Ir[dF(CF₃)ppy]₂(dtbbpy)PF₆ (entry 30), [Ir(ppy)₂(dtbbpy)]PF₆ (entry 31), Perylene (entry 38) or 9-Mesityl-10-methylacridinium Perchlorate (entry 39) led to lower yields, whereas the employment of Rhodamine 6G, Ru(bpy)₃Cl₂•6H₂O, 4CzIPN, Thioxanthen-9-one, Ru(bpy)₃(PF₆)₂ and Solvent Red 43 as the photocatalyst could not afford any of the desired product (entries 32–37). The control experiments demonstrated that visible light, photocatalyst and Cu catalyst were necessary conditions for the reaction, while ligands and alkalis could promote the reaction (entries 40–45).

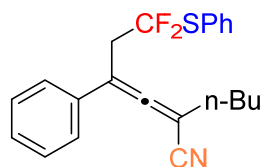
4. Photoredox/copper-Catalyzed Difluoroalkylation of 1,3-enyne



An 8 mL screw-cap vial equipped with a magnetic stir bar was charged with *fac*-Ir(ppy)₃ (2.6 mg, 0.004 mmol), 4,4'-di-*tert*-butyl-2,2'-bipyridine (8.0 mg, 0.03 mmol), Ph₃PCF₂SPhOTf (114.0 mg, 0.2 mmol), Cu(MeCN)₄BF₄ (6.3 mg, 0.02 mmol), sodium acetate (32.8 mg, 0.4 mmol) and 1,3-enyne (0.3 mmol, if it is solid). The vial was evacuated and backfilled with nitrogen for three times. Then, MeCN (2.0 mL) and TMSCN (50 μL, 0.4 mmol) were added via a syringe (1,3-enyne is added via a micro syringe if it is liquid). The reaction mixture was placed at a distance of 10 cm from a 40 W blue LEDs and stirred at room temperature for 6 h. Then, saturated NaCl aqueous solution was added and the reaction mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate. The combined organic layers were then dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography to give the

desired product **3**.

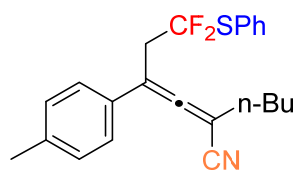
2-butyl-6,6-difluoro-4-phenyl-6-(phenylthio)hexa-2,3-dienitrile



3a

The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 30:1) to afford **3a** (65.0 mg, 88%) as yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.65 – 7.57 (m, 2H), 7.46 – 7.35 (m, 6H), 7.34 – 7.31 (m, 2H), 3.36 (t, *J* = 13.7 Hz, 2H), 2.45 – 2.33 (m, 2H), 1.67 – 1.59 (m, 2H), 1.44 – 1.37 (m, 2H), 0.94 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 213.9, 136.4, 132.9, 131.1, 129.3, 128.9, 128.8, 128.3 (t, *J* = 282.8 Hz), 126.8, 126.5, 114.8, 103.9, 86.3, 36.6 (t, *J* = 30.3 Hz), 31.4, 29.7, 22.0, 13.8; ¹⁹F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -70.76 (AB-t, *J* = 206.8, 15.0 Hz, 2F); IR (thin film) ν 2959, 2214, 1442, 1259, 1022, 797, 693 cm⁻¹; MS (ESI): *m/z* 392 [M+Na]⁺; HRMS (ESI-TOF): *m/z* Calculated for C₂₂H₂₁NF₂NaS [M+Na]⁺: 392.1260; Found: 392.1257.

2-butyl-6,6-difluoro-6-(phenylthio)-4-(p-tolyl)hexa-2,3-dienitrile

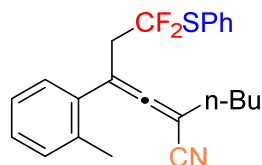


3b

The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 30:1) to afford **3b** (68.2 mg, 89%) as yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.64 – 7.58 (m, 2H), 7.47 – 7.35 (m, 3H), 7.23 – 7.17 (m, 4H), 3.33 (t, *J* = 13.7 Hz, 2H), 2.37 (s, 5H), 1.65 – 1.57 (m, 2H), 1.44 – 1.35 (m, 2H), 0.96 – 0.90 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 213.8, 138.9, 136.4, 130.2, 129.8, 129.7, 129.3, 128.3 (t, *J* = 282.8 Hz), 126.7, 126.5, 115.0, 103.8, 86.2, 39.6 (t, *J* = 30.3 Hz), 31.5, 29.7, 22.1, 21.3, 13.8; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -70.72 (AB-t, *J* = 206.8,

15.0 Hz, 2F); **IR** (thin film) ν 2961, 2214, 1328, 1259, 1020, 797 cm^{-1} ; **MS** (ESI): m/z 406 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$; **HRMS** (ESI-TOF): m/z Calculated for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{23}\text{NF}_2\text{NaS}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 406.1417; Found: 406.1421.

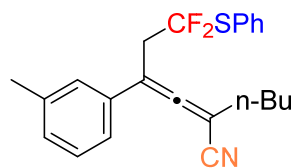
2-butyl-6,6-difluoro-6-(phenylthio)-4-(o-tolyl)hexa-2,3-dienenitrile



3c

The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 30:1) to afford **3c** (63.6 mg, 83%) as yellow oil. **^1H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.60 – 7.54 (m, 2H), 7.45 – 7.35 (m, 3H), 7.26 – 7.21 (m, 3H), 7.21 – 7.19 (m, 1H), 3.24 (td, J = 13.6, 4.3 Hz, 2H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 2.32 – 2.27 (m, 2H), 1.61 – 1.54 (m, 2H), 1.39 – 1.33 (m, 2H), 0.92 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H); **^{13}C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 211.9, 136.3, 136.0, 133.7, 131.0, 130.1, 129.3, 128.6, 128.2, 128.2 (t, J = 282.8 Hz), 126.5, 126.4, 115.0, 102.3, 83.7, 42.8 (t, J = 30.3 Hz), 31.0, 29.7, 22.0, 20.4, 13.8; **^{19}F NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -71.01 (AB-t, J = 206.8, 15.0 Hz, 2F); **IR** (thin film) ν 2925, 2218, 1959, 1446, 1259, 1025, 797 cm^{-1} ; **MS** (ESI): m/z 406 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$; **HRMS** (ESI-TOF): m/z Calculated for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{23}\text{NF}_2\text{NaS}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 406.1417; Found: 406.1418.

2-butyl-6,6-difluoro-6-(phenylthio)-4-(m-tolyl)hexa-2,3-dienenitrile

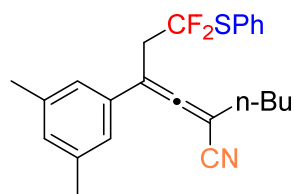


3d

The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 30:1) to afford **3d** (61.3 mg, 80%) as yellow oil. **^1H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.61 – 7.56 (m, 2H), 7.44 – 7.33 (m, 3H), 7.25 – 7.22 (m, 1H), 7.14 – 7.06 (m, 3H), 3.31 (t, J = 13.7 Hz, 2H), 2.37 – 2.31 (m, 5H), 1.59 (td, J = 7.6, 3.5 Hz, 2H), 1.43 – 1.35 (m, 2H), 0.90 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H); **^{13}C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 213.9, 138.7, 136.4, 132.9, 130.2, 129.6, 129.3, 128.9, 128.3 (t, J = 282.8

Hz), 127.5, 126.6, 123.9, 114.9, 103.9, 86.2, 39.7 (t, $J = 30.3$ Hz), 31.5, 29.8, 22.1, 21.6, 13.8; ^{19}F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -70.79 (AB-t, $J = 206.8, 15.0$ Hz, 2F); IR (thin film) ν 2968, 2210, 1259, 1023, 797, 693 cm^{-1} ; MS (ESI): m/z 406 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$; HRMS (ESI-TOF): m/z Calculated for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{23}\text{NF}_2\text{NaS}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 406.1417; Found: 406.1415.

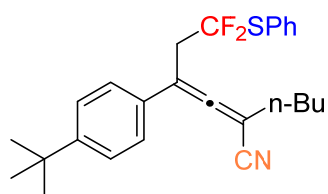
2-butyl-4-(3,5-dimethylphenyl)-6,6-difluoro-6-(phenylthio)hexa-2,3-dienenitrile



3e

The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 30:1) to afford **3e** (65.9 mg, 83%) as yellow oil. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.68 – 7.57 (m, 2H), 7.47 – 7.36 (m, 3H), 7.00 – 6.95 (m, 1H), 6.94 – 6.86 (m, 2H), 3.34 (t, $J = 13.7$ Hz, 2H), 2.41 – 2.36 (m, 2H), 2.34 (s, 6H), 1.64 (td, $J = 7.5, 4.0$ Hz, 2H), 1.47 – 1.38 (m, 2H), 0.95 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 213.9, 138.5, 136.4, 132.7, 130.5, 130.1, 129.2, 128.3 (t, $J = 282.8$ Hz), 126.6, 124.6, 115.0, 103.9, 86.0, 39.6 (t, $J = 30.3$ Hz), 31.4, 29.7, 22.0, 21.4, 13.8; ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -70.69 (AB-t, $J = 206.8, 15.0$ Hz, 2F); IR (thin film) ν 2961, 2204, 1259, 1020, 797, 694 cm^{-1} ; MS (ESI): m/z 420 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$; HRMS (ESI-TOF): m/z Calculated for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{25}\text{NF}_2\text{NaS}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 420.1573; Found: 420.1577.

2-butyl-4-(4-(tert-butyl)phenyl)-6,6-difluoro-6-(phenylthio)hexa-2,3-dienenitrile

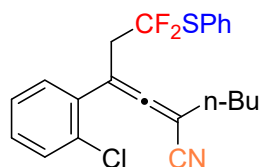


3f

The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 30:1) to afford **3f** (79.1 mg, 93%) as yellow oil. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.62 – 7.58 (m, 2H), 7.45 – 7.35 (m, 5H), 7.26 – 7.24 (m, 1H), 7.24 – 7.21 (m, 1H), 3.33 (t, $J = 13.7$ Hz, 2H), 2.38 – 2.31 (m, 2H), 1.65 – 1.57 (m, 2H), 1.43 – 1.37 (m, 2H), 1.32 (s, 9H), 0.92 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 214.0, 152.1, 136.4, 132.2, 130.1, 129.8, 128.6, 128.3 (t, $J = 282.8$ Hz),

126.5, 126.0, 114.9, 103.6, 39.5 (t, $J = 30.3$ Hz), 34.8, 31.5, 31.3, 29.8, 22.1, 13.8; ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -70.68 (AB-t, $J = 206.8, 15.0$ Hz, 2F); IR (thin film) ν 2961, 2218, 1259, 1020, 797 cm^{-1} ; MS (ESI): m/z 448 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$; HRMS (ESI-TOF): m/z Calculated for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{29}\text{NF}_2\text{NaS}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 448.1886; Found: 448.1890.

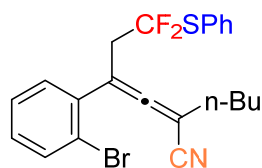
2-butyl-4-(2-chlorophenyl)-6,6-difluoro-6-(phenylthio)hexa-2,3-dienitrile



3g

The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 30:1) to afford **3g** (63.7 mg, 79%) as yellow oil. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.59 – 7.55 (m, 2H), 7.45 – 7.40 (m, 2H), 7.39 – 7.34 (m, 2H), 7.33 – 7.27 (m, 3H), 3.30 (t, $J = 13.6$ Hz, 2H), 2.35 – 2.29 (m, 2H), 1.62 – 1.54 (m, 2H), 1.40 – 1.32 (m, 2H), 0.91 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 212.6, 136.4, 133.1, 132.8, 130.5, 130.3, 130.1, 130.0, 129.3, 128.2 (t, $J = 282.8$ Hz), 127.2, 126.4, 114.8, 101.7 (t, $J = 10.1$ Hz), 84.4, 41.9 (t, $J = 30.3$ Hz), 30.9, 29.6, 21.9, 13.8. ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -70.97 (td, $J = 13.5, 2.5$ Hz, 2F); IR (thin film) ν 2960, 2221, 1259, 1020, 797 cm^{-1} ; MS (ESI): m/z 426 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$; HRMS (ESI-TOF): m/z Calculated for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{20}\text{NF}_2\text{NaSCl}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 426.0871; Found: 426.0874.

4-(2-bromophenyl)-2-butyl-6,6-difluoro-6-(phenylthio)hexa-2,3-dienitrile

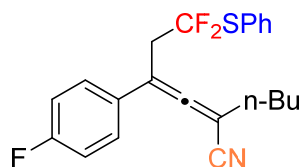


3h

The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 30:1) to afford **3h** (59.0 mg, 66%) as yellow oil. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.64 – 7.52 (m, 3H), 7.46 – 7.29 (m, 5H), 7.24 – 7.18 (m, 1H), 3.28 (t, $J = 13.6$ Hz, 2H), 2.35 – 2.27 (m, 2H), 1.62 – 1.57 (m, 2H), 1.38 – 1.32 (m, 2H), 0.90 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 212.4, 136.4, 135.3, 133.5, 130.7, 130.2, 129.3, 128.9, 128.2 (t, $J = 282.8$ Hz), 127.8, 126.5, 122.6, 114.8,

103.5, 84.6, 42.2 (t, $J = 30.3$ Hz), 31.0, 29.6, 22.0, 13.8; ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -70.93 (td, $J = 13.6, 8.8$ Hz, 2F); IR (thin film) ν 2960, 2221, 1259, 1020, 797, 693 cm^{-1} ; MS (ESI): m/z 470 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$; HRMS (ESI-TOF): m/z Calculated for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{20}\text{NF}_2\text{NaSBr}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 470.0366; Found: 470.0369.

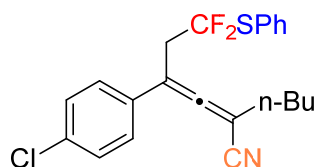
2-butyl-6,6-difluoro-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-6-(phenylthio)hexa-2,3-dienitrile



3i

The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 30:1) to afford **3j** (53.4 mg, 69%) as yellow oil. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.66 – 7.51 (m, 2H), 7.47 – 7.34 (m, 3H), 7.30 – 7.26 (m, 2H), 7.10 – 7.01 (m, 2H), 3.31 (t, $J = 13.6$ Hz, 2H), 2.41 – 2.28 (m, 2H), 1.63 – 1.58 (m, 2H), 1.42 – 1.35 (m, 2H), 0.92 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 213.7, 162.9 (d, $J = 121.2$ Hz), 136.4, 130.2, 129.3, 128.9 (d, $J = 10.1$ Hz), 128.8 (d, $J = 10.1$ Hz), 128.2 (t, $J = 282.8$ Hz), 126.4, 116.1 (d, $J = 10.1$ Hz), 114.7, 103.2 (t, $J = 10.1$ Hz), 86.5, 39.9 (t, $J = 30.3$ Hz), 31.5, 29.7, 22.1, 13.8; ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -70.84 (AB-t, $J = 206.8, 15.0$ Hz, 2F), -112.47 (ddd, $J = 13.3, 8.3, 5.0$ Hz); IR (thin film) ν 2960, 1945, 1259, 1019, 797, 693 cm^{-1} ; MS (ESI): m/z 410 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$; HRMS (ESI-TOF): m/z Calculated for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{20}\text{NF}_3\text{NaS}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 410.1166; Found: 410.1162.

2-butyl-4-(4-chlorophenyl)-6,6-difluoro-6-(phenylthio)hexa-2,3-dienitrile

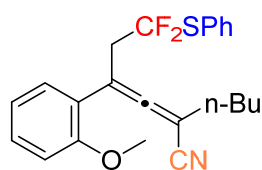


3j

The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 30:1) to afford **3j** (53.2 mg, 66%) as yellow oil. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.63 – 7.55 (m, 2H), 7.47 – 7.42 (m, 1H), 7.41 – 7.36 (m, 2H), 7.36 – 7.32 (m, 2H), 7.24 – 7.20 (m, 2H), 3.31 (t, $J = 13.6$ Hz, 2H), 2.40 – 2.30 (m, 2H), 1.59 (dd, $J = 7.5, 3.8$ Hz, 2H), 1.42 – 1.35 (m, 2H), 0.92 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz,

3H); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 213.8, 149.3, 136.4, 134.8, 131.4, 130.3, 129.3, 129.2, 128.2 (t, $J = 282.8$ Hz), 128.1, 114.5, 103.1, 86.7, 39.7 (t, $J = 30.3$ Hz), 31.4, 29.7, 22.1, 13.8; $^{19}\text{F NMR}$ (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 70.68 (AB-t, $J = 206.8, 15.0$ Hz, 2F); **IR** (thin film) ν 2961, 2210, 1259, 1019, 797 cm^{-1} ; **MS** (ESI): m/z 426 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$; **HRMS** (ESI-TOF): m/z Calculated for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{20}\text{NF}_2\text{NaSCl}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 426.0871; Found: 426.0875.

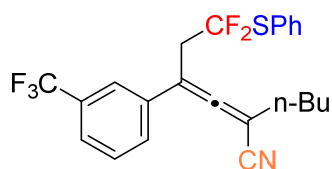
2-butyl-6,6-difluoro-4-(2-methoxyphenyl)-6-(phenylthio)hexa-2,3-dienitrile



3k

The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 30:1) to afford **3k** (61.4 mg, 77%) as yellow oil. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.61 – 7.52 (m, 2H), 7.44 – 7.29 (m, 4H), 7.23 – 7.16 (m, 1H), 7.01 – 6.93 (m, 1H), 6.93 – 6.87 (m, 1H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.35 (td, $J = 14.1, 6.1$ Hz, 2H), 2.31 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 2H), 1.64 – 1.56 (m, 2H), 1.42 – 1.34 (m, 2H), 0.92 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 3H); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 213.8, 156.8, 136.3, 130.2, 130.0, 130.0, 129.2, 128.5 (t, $J = 282.8$ Hz), 126.8, 122.8, 120.9, 115.5, 111.3, 101.5 (t, $J = 10.1$ Hz), 83.0, 55.6, 41.0 (t, $J = 30.3$ Hz), 31.3, 29.7, 22.0, 13.8; $^{19}\text{F NMR}$ (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -70.91 (q, $J = 14.2$ Hz, 2F); **IR** (thin film) ν 2961, 2214, 1259, 1020, 797, 694 cm^{-1} ; **MS** (ESI): m/z 422 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$; **HRMS** (ESI-TOF): m/z Calculated for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{23}\text{NOF}_2\text{NaS}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 422.1366; Found: 422.1366.

2-butyl-6,6-difluoro-6-(phenylthio)-4-(3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)hexa-2,3-dienitrile

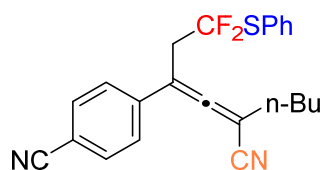


3l

The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 30:1) to afford **3l** (76.9 mg, 88%) as yellow oil. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.6 – 7.6 (m, 3H), 7.5 – 7.5 (m, 3H), 7.5 – 7.4 (m, 2H), 7.4 – 7.4 (m, 1H), 3.4 (t, $J = 13.6$ Hz, 2H), 2.4 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 1.7

- 1.6 (m, 2H), 1.4 – 1.4 (m, 2H), 0.9 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 3H); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 213.9, 136.4, 134.1, 131.4 (q, $J = 30.3$ Hz), 130.3, 130.1, 129.6, 129.4, 128.1 (t, $J = 282.8$ Hz), 126.3, 125.5, 123.4, 122.5, 114.3, 103.1, 87.1, 39.6 (t, $J = 30.3$ Hz), 31.4, 29.7, 22.0, 13.8; $^{19}\text{F NMR}$ (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -62.77, -71.02 (AB-t, $J = 206.8, 15.0$ Hz, 2F); **IR** (thin film) ν 2961, 2214, 1328, 1259, 1020, 798, 695 cm^{-1} ; **MS** (ESI): m/z 460 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$; **HRMS** (ESI-TOF): m/z Calculated for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{20}\text{NF}_5\text{NaS}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 460.1134; Found: 460.1136.

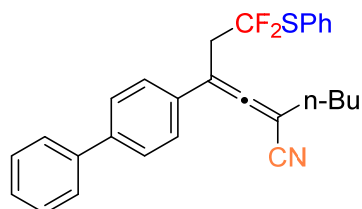
4-(5-cyano-1,1-difluoro-1-(phenylthio)nona-3,4-dien-3-yl)benzonitrile



3m

The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 30:1) to afford **3m** (44.9 mg, 57%) as yellow oil. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.70 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.59 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.46 – 7.36 (m, 3H), 7.03 (d, $J = 8.6$ Hz, 2H), 3.29 (t, $J = 13.6$ Hz, 2H), 2.38 – 2.32 (m, 2H), 1.61 – 1.55 (m, 2H), 1.42 – 1.36 (m, 2H), 0.92 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 3H); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 213.8, 138.2, 136.4, 132.6, 130.3, 129.4, 128.5, 128.2 (t, $J = 282.8$ Hz), 126.4, 124.6, 114.3, 113.7, 94.7, 86.8, 39.6 (t, $J = 20.2$ Hz), 31.4, 29.7, 22.1, 13.8; $^{19}\text{F NMR}$ (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -70.92 (AB-t, $J = 206.8, 15.0$ Hz, 2F); **IR** (thin film) ν 2960, 2214, 1328, 1259, 1020, 798, 697 cm^{-1} ; **MS** (ESI): m/z 395 $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$; **HRMS** (ESI-TOF): m/z Calculated for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{21}\text{N}_2\text{F}_2\text{S}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 395.1394; Found: 395.1389.

4-([1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl)-2-butyl-6,6-difluoro-6-(phenylthio)hexa-2,3-dienitrile

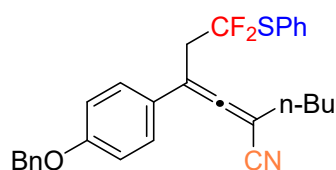


3n

The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 30:1) to afford **3n** (60.5 mg, 68%) as yellow oil. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.63 – 7.58 (m, 5H), 7.50

– 7.42 (m, 4H), 7.41 – 7.36 (m, 5H), 3.38 (t, $J = 13.7$ Hz, 2H), 2.43 – 2.34 (m, 2H), 1.67 – 1.61 (m, 2H), 1.44 – 1.38 (m, 2H), 0.93 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 214.1, 150.2, 141.6, 140.7, 140.2, 136.4, 131.7, 130.2, 129.3, 129.0, 128.3 (t, $J = 282.8$ Hz), 127.9, 127.7, 127.1, 114.8, 103.7, 86.5, 39.6 (t, $J = 30.3$ Hz), 31.5, 29.8, 22.1, 13.8; ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -70.68 (AB-t, $J = 206.8$, 15.0 Hz, 2F); IR (thin film) ν 2960, 2221, 1259, 1019, 797, 693 cm^{-1} ; MS (ESI): m/z 468 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$; HRMS (ESI-TOF): m/z Calculated for $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{25}\text{NF}_2\text{NaS}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 468.1573; Found: 468.1569.

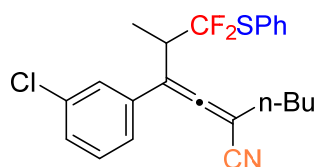
4-(4-(benzyloxy)phenyl)-2-butyl-6,6-difluoro-6-(phenylthio)hexa-2,3-dienitrile



3o

The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 30:1) to afford **3o** (62.7 mg, 66%) as yellow oil. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.63 – 7.56 (m, 2H), 7.46 – 7.40 (m, 4H), 7.39 – 7.32 (m, 4H), 7.25 – 7.23 (m, 1H), 7.23 – 7.21 (m, 1H), 6.99 – 6.97 (m, 1H), 6.97 – 6.94 (m, 1H), 5.08 (s, 2H), 3.30 (t, $J = 13.7$ Hz, 2H), 2.34 (td, $J = 7.2$, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 1.61 – 1.57 (m, 2H), 1.42 – 1.37 (m, 2H), 1.27 – 1.25 (m, 2H), 0.92 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 213.8, 159.2, 158.5, 150.8, 136.4, 130.1, 129.3, 128.8, 128.3 (t, $J = 282.8$ Hz), 128.2, 128.1, 127.7, 127.5, 125.1, 115.5, 103.5, 86.2, 70.2, 39.7 (t, $J = 30.3$ Hz), 31.5, 22.6, 22.1, 13.8; ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -70.58 (AB-t, $J = 206.8$, 15.0 Hz, 2F); IR (thin film) ν 2958, 2217, 1604, 1510, 1255, 1020, 798, 740, 695 cm^{-1} ; MS (ESI): m/z 498 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$; HRMS (ESI-TOF): m/z Calculated for $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{27}\text{NOF}_2\text{NaS}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 498.1672; Found: 498.1679.

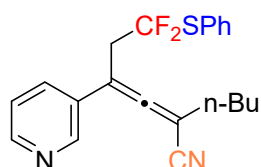
2-butyl-4-(3-chlorophenyl)-6,6-difluoro-5-methyl-6-(phenylthio)hexa-2,3-dienitrile



3p

The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 30:1) to afford **3p** (58.4 mg, 70%) as yellow oil. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.63 – 7.51 (m, 2H), 7.47 – 7.33 (m, 3H), 7.32 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.24 – 7.20 (m, 1H), 7.20 – 7.13 (m, 1H), 3.44 – 3.34 (m, 1H), 2.41 – 2.31 (m, 2H), 1.62 – 1.58 (m, 2H), 1.45 (dd, $J = 18.4, 7.1$ Hz, 3H), 1.42 – 1.36 (m, 2H), 0.92 (td, $J = 7.3, 2.4$ Hz, 3H); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 213.3 (d, $J = 20.2$ Hz), 136.5 (d, $J = 20.2$ Hz), 135.7 (d, $J = 20.2$ Hz), 135.0, 130.2 (d, $J = 10.1$ Hz), 130.1 (d, $J = 10.1$ Hz), 129.3 (d, $J = 10.1$ Hz), 128.8 (d, $J = 10.1$ Hz), 128.2 (t, $J = 282.8$ Hz), 127.1, 126.3 (d, $J = 10.1$ Hz), 125.3, 114.5 (d, $J = 20.2$ Hz), 110.3 (d, $J = 40.4$ Hz), 88.1 (d, $J = 40.4$ Hz), 43.7 (q, $J = 20.2$ Hz), 31.4 (d, $J = 40.4$ Hz), 29.8 (d, $J = 10.1$ Hz), 22.1 (d, $J = 10.1$ Hz), 15.6, 13.8; $^{19}\text{F NMR}$ (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -74.20 – -78.61 (m, 2F); **IR** (thin film) ν 2927, 2217, 1639, 1580, 1466, 793, 749, 692 cm^{-1} ; **MS** (ESI): m/z 440 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$; **HRMS** (ESI-TOF): m/z Calculated for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{22}\text{NF}_2\text{NaSCl}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 440.1027; Found: 440.1023.

2-butyl-6,6-difluoro-6-(phenylthio)-4-(pyridin-3-yl)hexa-2,3-dienitrile

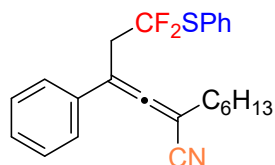


3q

The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 10:1) to afford **3q** (38.5 mg, 52%) as yellow oil. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.59 – 8.56 (m, 1H), 8.56 – 8.52 (m, 1H), 7.65 – 7.55 (m, 3H), 7.47 – 7.36 (m, 3H), 7.33 – 7.28 (m, 1H), 3.33 (t, $J = 13.6$ Hz, 2H), 2.41 – 2.31 (m, 2H), 1.65 – 1.56 (m, 2H), 1.42 – 1.36 (m, 2H), 0.91 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 3H); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 213.6, 149.7, 148.0, 136.4, 134.0, 130.3, 129.4, 129.2, 128.1 (t, $J = 282.8$ Hz), 126.2, 123.7, 114.2, 101.4, 87.1, 39.5 (t, $J = 30.3$ Hz), 31.4, 29.7, 22.0, 13.8; $^{19}\text{F NMR}$ (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -71.21 (AB-t, $J = 206.8, 15.0$ Hz, 2F); **IR** (thin film) ν 2961, 2204,

1259, 1020, 797, 694 cm^{-1} ; **MS** (ESI): m/z 371 $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$; **HRMS** (ESI-TOF): m/z Calculated for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{21}\text{N}_2\text{F}_2\text{S}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 371.1394; Found: 371.1399.

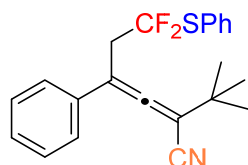
2-(4,4-difluoro-2-phenyl-4-(phenylthio)but-1-en-1-ylidene)octanenitrile



3r

The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 30:1) to afford **3r** (72.3 mg, 91%) as yellow oil. **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.62 – 7.55 (m, 2H), 7.47 – 7.29 (m, 8H), 3.34 (t, J = 13.7 Hz, 2H), 2.42 – 2.31 (m, 2H), 1.63 – 1.58 (m, 2H), 1.29 – 1.25 (m, 6H), 0.88 – 0.85 (m, 3H); **¹³C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 213.9, 136.4, 132.9, 130.2, 129.3, 129.0, 128.8, 128.3 (t, J = 282.8 Hz), 126.8, 126.5, 114.8, 103.9, 86.4, 39.6 (t, J = 30.3 Hz), 31.8, 31.5, 28.6, 27.6, 22.6, 14.1; **¹⁹F NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -70.90 (AB-t, J = 206.8, 15.0 Hz, 2F); **IR** (thin film) ν 2960, 1973, 1259, 1020, 797, 694 cm^{-1} ; **MS** (ESI): m/z 420 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$; **HRMS** (ESI-TOF): m/z Calculated for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{25}\text{NF}_2\text{NaS}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 420.1573; Found: 420.1577.

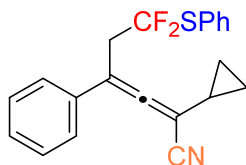
2-(tert-butyl)-6,6-difluoro-4-phenyl-6-(phenylthio)hexa-2,3-dienitrile



3s

The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 30:1) to afford **3s** (58.3 mg, 79%) as yellow oil. **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.66 – 7.51 (m, 2H), 7.48 – 7.27 (m, 8H), 3.52 – 3.21 (m, 2H), 1.26 (s, 9H); **¹³C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 211.5, 136.4, 133.1, 130.2, 129.3, 129.0, 128.8, 128.3 (t, J = 282.8 Hz), 126.6, 126.5, 114.0, 105.0, 97.5, 39.7 (t, J = 30.3 Hz), 35.8, 28.8; **¹⁹F NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -70.47 (AB-t, J = 206.8, 15.0 Hz, 2F); **IR** (thin film) ν 2961, 2219, 1453, 1258, 1021, 797, 692 cm^{-1} ; **MS** (ESI): m/z 392 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$; **HRMS** (ESI-TOF): m/z Calculated for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{21}\text{NF}_2\text{NaS}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 392.1260; Found: 392.1267.

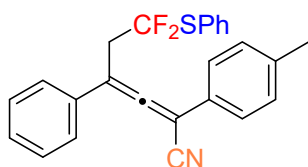
2-cyclopropyl-6,6-difluoro-4-phenyl-6-(phenylthio)hexa-2,3-dienitrile



3t

The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 30:1) to afford **3t** (37.4 mg, 53%) as yellow oil. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.64 – 7.55 (m, 2H), 7.47 – 7.41 (m, 1H), 7.41 – 7.32 (m, 5H), 7.32 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 3.34 (td, $J = 12.0, 4.0$ Hz, 2H), 1.64 – 1.59 (m, 1H), 0.92 – 0.88 (m, 2H), 0.79 – 0.73 (m, 2H); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 213.5, 136.5, 133.3, 130.2, 129.3, 129.0, 128.9, 128.5, 128.1 (t, $J = 282.8$ Hz), 126.8, 113.9, 105.4, 90.0, 39.6 (t, $J = 30.3$ Hz), 11.6, 6.6, 6.4; $^{19}\text{F NMR}$ (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -71.11 (AB-t, $J = 206.8, 15.0$ Hz, 2F); **IR** (thin film) ν 2968, 2210, 1259, 1023, 797, 693 cm^{-1} ; **MS** (ESI): m/z 376 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$; **HRMS** (ESI-TOF): m/z Calculated for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{17}\text{NNaSF}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 376.0947; Found: 376.0952.

6,6-difluoro-4-phenyl-6-(phenylthio)-2-(p-tolyl)hexa-2,3-dienitrile

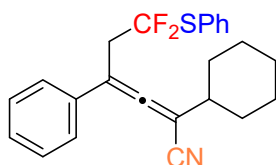


3u

The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 30:1) to afford **3u** (33.9 mg, 42%) as yellow oil. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.51 – 7.47 (m, 2H), 7.43 – 7.38 (m, 2H), 7.35 – 7.33 (m, 1H), 7.31 – 7.27 (m, 6H), 7.18 – 7.13 (m, 3H), 3.41 (td, $J = 14.1, 13.7, 3.7$ Hz, 2H), 2.30 (s, 3H); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 215.0, 139.6, 136.4, 132.4, 130.2, 130.0, 129.3, 129.3, 129.2, 128.2 (t, $J = 282.8$ Hz), 126.9, 126.5, 126.2, 125.9, 113.5, 107.7 (t, $J = 10.1$ Hz), 90.2, 39.7 (t, $J = 30.3$ Hz), 21.4; $^{19}\text{F NMR}$ (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -70.99 (AB-t, $J = 206.8, 15.0$ Hz, 2F); **IR** (thin film) ν 2920, 2224, 1439, 1028, 803, 750, 693 cm^{-1} ; **MS** (ESI): m/z 426

[M+Na]⁺; **HRMS** (ESI-TOF): *m/z* Calculated for C₂₅H₁₉NF₂NaS [M+Na]⁺: 426.1104; Found: 426.1100.

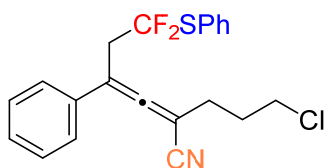
2-cyclohexyl-6,6-difluoro-4-phenyl-6-(phenylthio)hexa-2,3-dienitrile



3v

The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 30:1) to afford **3v** (66.4 mg, 84%) as yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.63 – 7.57 (m, 2H), 7.46 – 7.41 (m, 1H), 7.41 – 7.39 (m, 1H), 7.39 – 7.33 (m, 4H), 7.32 – 7.31 (m, 1H), 7.31 – 7.28 (m, 1H), 3.34 (td, *J* = 14.1, 13.7, 3.7 Hz, 2H), 2.34 – 2.27 (m, 1H), 2.02 – 1.94 (m, 2H), 1.83 – 1.76 (m, 2H), 1.71 – 1.66 (m, 1H), 1.63 – 1.57 (m, 1H), 1.34 – 1.31 (m, 2H), 1.28 – 1.25 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 212.9, 136.4, 133.0, 130.2, 129.3, 129.0, 128.7, 128.3 (t, *J* = 282.8 Hz), 126.6, 126.4, 114.3, 104.6, 92.1, 40.5, 39.7 (t, *J* = 30.3 Hz), 31.6, 25.9, 25.7; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -70.36 (AB-t, *J* = 206.8, 15.0 Hz, 2F); **IR** (thin film) ν 2928, 2218, 1442, 1258, 1025, 797, 753, 692 cm⁻¹; **MS** (ESI): *m/z* 418 [M+Na]⁺; **HRMS** (ESI-TOF): *m/z* Calculated for C₂₄H₂₃NF₂NaS [M+Na]⁺: 418.1417; Found: 418.1422.

2-(3-chloropropyl)-6,6-difluoro-4-phenyl-6-(phenylthio)hexa-2,3-dienitrile



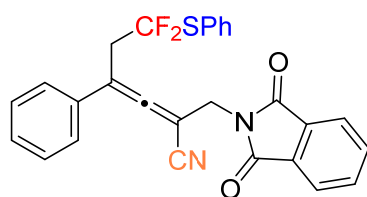
3w

The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 30:1) to afford **3w** (31.9 mg, 41%) as yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.64 – 7.56 (m, 2H), 7.47 – 7.42 (m, 1H), 7.42 – 7.34 (m, 5H), 7.32 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 3.58 (t, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 2H), 3.35 (t, *J* = 13.9 Hz, 2H), 2.55 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.14 – 2.05 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 214.1,

136.4, 132.6, 130.3, 129.4, 129.1, 129.1, 128.2 (t, $J = 282.8$ Hz), 126.9, 126.4, 114.4, 104.7, 85.0, 43.5, 39.7 (t, $J = 30.3$ Hz), 30.2, 29.0; ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -70.95 (AB-t, $J = 206.8$, 15.0 Hz, 2F); IR (thin film) ν 2968, 2210, 1259, 1023, 797, 693 cm^{-1} ; MS (ESI): m/z 412 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$; HRMS (ESI-TOF): m/z Calculated for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{18}\text{NF}_2\text{NaSCl}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 412.0714; Found: 412.0714.

2-((1,3-dioxoisindolin-2-yl)methyl)-6,6-difluoro-4-phenyl-6-(phenylthio)hexa-2,3-dienenitrile

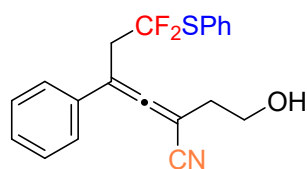
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3x

The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 10:1) to afford **3x** (28.3 mg, 30%) as yellow waxy solid. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.88 – 7.81 (m, 2H), 7.77 – 7.69 (m, 2H), 7.53 – 7.49 (m, 2H), 7.43 – 7.39 (m, 1H), 7.39 – 7.33 (m, 4H), 7.33 – 7.28 (m, 3H), 4.68 – 4.51 (m, 2H), 3.32 (td, $J = 13.5, 5.7$ Hz, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 214.1, 167.3, 136.4, 134.4, 131.9, 131.6, 130.2, 129.3, 129.3, 129.1, 127.9 (t, $J = 282.8$ Hz), 127.1, 126.3, 123.8, 112.8, 107.7, 83.1, 39.5 (t, $J = 30.3$ Hz), 37.6; ^{19}F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -70.91 (td, $J = 13.6, 2.4$ Hz); IR (thin film) ν 2961, 2204, 1690, 1259, 1020, 797, 694 cm^{-1} ; MS (ESI): m/z 473 $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$; HRMS (ESI-TOF): m/z Calculated for $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{19}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{F}_2\text{S}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 473.1057; Found: 473.1059.

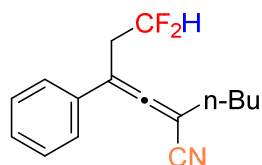
6,6-difluoro-2-(2-hydroxyethyl)-4-phenyl-6-(phenylthio)hexa-2,3-dienenitrile



3y

The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 5:1) to afford **3y** (59.3 mg, 83%) as yellow oil. **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.62 – 7.56 (m, 2H), 7.47 – 7.41 (m, 1H), 7.41 – 7.36 (m, 3H), 7.36 – 7.32 (m, 4H), 3.89 (t, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 2H), 3.37 (t, *J* = 13.4 Hz, 2H), 2.60 (t, *J* = 6.1 Hz, 2H); **¹³C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 214.9, 136.4, 132.5, 130.2, 129.3, 129.1, 129.0, 128.3 (t, *J* = 282.8 Hz), 126.9, 126.4, 114.5, 104.3, 83.4, 60.0, 39.6 (t, *J* = 30.3 Hz), 34.8; **¹⁹F NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -70.68 (AB-t, *J* = 206.8, 15.0 Hz, 2F); **IR** (thin film) ν 3420, 2951, 2220, 1440, 1258, 1031, 797, 753, 693 cm⁻¹; **MS** (ESI): *m/z* 380 [M+Na]⁺; **HRMS** (ESI-TOF): *m/z* Calculated for C₂₀H₁₇NOF₂NaS [M+Na]⁺: 380.0897; Found: 380.0899.

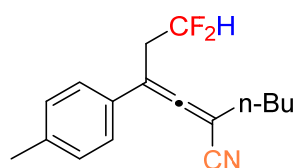
2-butyl-6,6-difluoro-4-phenylhexa-2,3-dienitrile (**4a**)



4a

The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 20:1) to afford **4a** (46.5 mg, 89 %) as yellow oil. **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.43 – 7.31 (m, 5H), 5.97 (tt, *J* = 55.9, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 3.08 (td, *J* = 15.5, 5.2 Hz, 2H), 2.37 – 2.30 (m, 2H), 1.58 (td, *J* = 7.5, 2.0 Hz, 2H), 1.43 – 1.37 (m, 2H), 0.93 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 3H); **¹³C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 212.4, 132.4, 129.2, 129.1, 126.5, 115.1 (t, *J* = 242.4 Hz), 114.9, 103.1, 86.7, 35.4 (t, *J* = 20.2 Hz), 31.6, 29.7, 22.1, 13.8; **¹⁹F NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -114.87 (dtd, *J* = 56.4, 15.5, 7.0 Hz, 2F); **IR** (thin film) ν 2959, 2214, 1449, 1259, 1021, 797, 695 cm⁻¹; **MS** (ESI): *m/z* 284 [M+Na]⁺; **HRMS** (ESI-TOF): *m/z* Calculated for C₁₆H₁₇NF₂Na [M+Na]⁺: 284.1227; Found: 284.1231.

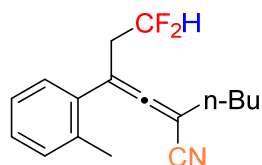
2-butyl-6,6-difluoro-4-(p-tolyl)hexa-2,3-dienitrile



4b

The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 20:1) to afford **4b** (48.4 mg, 88 %) as yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.26 – 7.18 (m, 4H), 5.96 (tt, *J* = 56.0, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 3.06 (td, *J* = 15.4, 4.3 Hz, 2H), 2.37 (s, 3H), 2.35 – 2.30 (m, 2H), 1.62 – 1.54 (m, 2H), 1.45 – 1.36 (m, 2H), 0.93 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 212.4, 139.2, 129.9, 129.3, 126.4, 115.2 (t, *J* = 242.4 Hz), 115.0, 104.2 (t, *J* = 10.1 Hz), 86.4, 35.4 (t, *J* = 20.2 Hz), 31.6, 29.7, 22.1, 21.3, 13.8; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -114.83 (dtd, *J* = 56.4, 15.6, 8.3 Hz, 2F); IR (thin film) ν 2960, 2214, 1402, 1259, 1022, 798 cm⁻¹; MS (ESI): *m/z* 298 [M+Na]⁺; HRMS (ESI-TOF): *m/z* Calculated for C₁₇H₁₉NF₂Na [M+Na]⁺: 298.1383; Found: 298.1387.

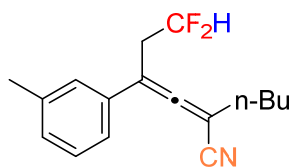
2-butyl-6,6-difluoro-4-(*o*-tolyl)hexa-2,3-dienitrile



4c

The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 20:1) to afford **4c** (49.0 mg, 89 %) as yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.30 – 7.22 (m, 3H), 7.21 – 7.17 (m, 1H), 5.87 (tt, *J* = 55.9, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 2.96 (tdd, *J* = 15.6, 4.6, 2.1 Hz, 2H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 2.29 – 2.23 (m, 2H), 1.60 – 1.51 (m, 2H), 1.40 – 1.33 (m, 2H), 0.92 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 210.5, 136.0, 133.1, 131.2, 128.8, 127.9, 126.5, 115.0, 114.9 (t, *J* = 242.4 Hz), 102.7 (t, *J* = 10.1 Hz), 83.7, 38.7 (t, *J* = 20.2 Hz), 31.1, 29.7, 21.9, 20.3, 13.8; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -115.7 (dt, *J* = 55.9, 15.9 Hz, 2F); IR (thin film) ν 2961, 2214, 1959, 1259, 1022, 797 cm⁻¹; MS (ESI): *m/z* 298 [M+Na]⁺; HRMS (ESI-TOF): *m/z* Calculated for C₁₇H₁₉NF₂Na [M+Na]⁺: 298.1383; Found: 298.1381.

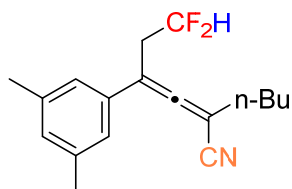
2-butyl-6,6-difluoro-4-(*m*-tolyl)hexa-2,3-dienitrile



4d

The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 20:1) to afford **4d** (50.6 mg, 92 %) as yellow oil. **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.31 – 7.24 (m, 1H), 7.21 – 7.13 (m, 1H), 7.13 – 7.08 (m, 2H), 5.95 (tt, *J* = 56.0, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 3.05 (tdd, *J* = 15.7, 4.6, 2.0 Hz, 2H), 2.37 (s, 3H), 2.35 – 2.30 (m, 2H), 1.62 – 1.51 (m, 2H), 1.43 – 1.34 (m, 2H), 0.92 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 3H); **¹³C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 212.4, 139.0, 132.3, 129.9, 128.7, 127.3, 123.6, 115.1 (t, *J* = 242.4 Hz), 114.9, 104.3 (t, *J* = 10.1 Hz), 86.4, 35.5 (t, *J* = 20.2 Hz), 31.6, 29.7, 22.0, 21.6, 13.8; **¹⁹F NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -114.89 (td, *J* = 56.4, 15.7, 8.3 Hz, 2F); **IR** (thin film) ν 2959, 2219, 1456, 1259, 1021, 797 cm⁻¹; **MS** (ESI): *m/z* 298 [M+Na]⁺; **HRMS** (ESI-TOF): *m/z* Calculated for C₁₇H₁₉NF₂Na [M+Na]⁺: 298.1383; Found: 298.1387.

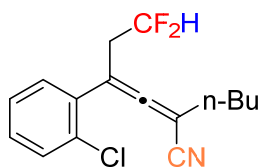
2-butyl-4-(3,5-dimethylphenyl)-6,6-difluorohexa-2,3-dienitrile



4e

The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 20:1) to afford **4e** (54.4 mg, 94 %) as yellow oil. **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.02 – 6.91 (m, 3H), 5.96 (tt, *J* = 56.0, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 3.06 (tdd, *J* = 15.7, 4.6, 2.3 Hz, 2H), 2.36 – 2.32 (m, 8H), 1.59 (dtd, *J* = 13.7, 7.1, 2.8 Hz, 2H), 1.47 – 1.37 (m, 2H), 0.94 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 3H); **¹³C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 212.4, 138.9, 132.2, 130.8, 124.3, 115.2 (t, *J* = 242.4 Hz), 115.0, 104.4 (t, *J* = 10.1 Hz), 86.2, 35.5 (t, *J* = 20.2 Hz), 31.6, 29.7, 22.0, 21.4, 13.8; **¹⁹F NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -114.88 (dtd, *J* = 56.4, 15.6, 9.1 Hz, 2F); **IR** (thin film) ν 2961, 2221, 1404, 1260, 1024, 800 cm⁻¹; **MS** (ESI): *m/z* 312 [M+Na]⁺; **HRMS** (ESI-TOF): *m/z* Calculated for C₁₈H₂₁NF₂Na [M+Na]⁺: 312.1540; Found: 312.1544.

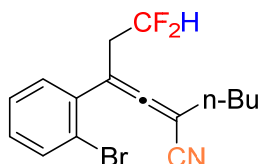
2-butyl-4-(2-chlorophenyl)-6,6-difluorohexa-2,3-dienitrile



4g

The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 20:1) to afford **4g** (31.9 mg, 54 %) as yellow oil. **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.45 – 7.40 (m, 1H), 7.32 – 7.25 (m, 3H), 5.89 (tt, *J* = 55.8, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 3.01 (td, *J* = 15.9, 4.5 Hz, 2H), 2.31 – 2.25 (m, 2H), 1.59 – 1.51 (m, 2H), 1.40 – 1.30 (m, 2H), 0.91 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 3H); **¹³C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 211.3, 132.8, 132.8, 130.5, 130.2, 130.1, 127.5, 114.9 (t, *J* = 242.4 Hz), 114.8, 102.0 (t, *J* = 10.1 Hz), 84.7, 37.9 (t, *J* = 20.2 Hz), 31.1, 29.6, 21.9, 13.8; **¹⁹F NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -115.48 (dtd, *J* = 56.4, 15.8, 10.7 Hz, 2F); **IR** (thin film) ν 2961, 2214, 1429, 1259, 1041, 797 cm⁻¹; **MS** (ESI): *m/z* 318 [M+Na]⁺; **HRMS** (ESI-TOF): *m/z* Calculated for C₁₆H₁₆NF₂NaCl [M+Na]⁺: 318.0837; Found: 318.0840.

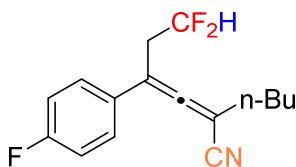
4-(2-bromophenyl)-2-butyl-6,6-difluorohexa-2,3-dienitrile



4h

The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 20:1) to afford **4h** (48.1 mg, 71 %) as yellow oil. **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.56 – 7.54 (m, 1H), 7.30 – 7.26 (m, 1H), 7.22 – 7.12 (m, 2H), 5.83 (tt, *J* = 55.8, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 2.93 (td, *J* = 15.9, 4.5 Hz, 2H), 2.24 – 2.17 (m, 2H), 1.53 – 1.44 (m, 2H), 1.29 (dt, *J* = 14.9, 7.4 Hz, 2H), 0.84 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 3H); **¹³C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 210.8, 134.9, 133.7, 130.3, 130.2, 128.0, 122.5, 114.8 (t, *J* = 242.4 Hz), 114.7, 103.7 (t, *J* = 10.1 Hz), 84.8, 38.2 (t, *J* = 20.2 Hz), 31.0, 29.6, 21.9, 13.8; **¹⁹F NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -115.43 (dtd, *J* = 56.4, 15.9, 8.8 Hz, 2F); **IR** (thin film) ν 2961, 2221, 1945, 1259, 1021, 797 cm⁻¹; **MS** (ESI): *m/z* 362 [M+Na]⁺; **HRMS** (ESI-TOF): *m/z* Calculated for C₁₆H₁₆NF₂NaBr [M+Na]⁺: 362.0332; Found: 362.0329.

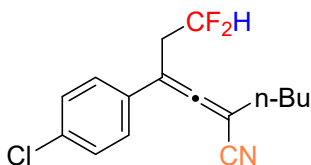
2-butyl-6,6-difluoro-4-(4-fluorophenyl)hexa-2,3-dienitrile



4i

The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 20:1) to afford **4i** (48.6 mg, 87 %) as yellow oil. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.33 – 7.29 (m, 2H), 7.13 – 7.06 (m, 2H), 5.96 (tt, $J = 55.8, 4.5$ Hz, 1H), 3.05 (td, $J = 15.6, 4.5$ Hz, 2H), 2.36 – 2.29 (m, 2H), 1.62 – 1.53 (m, 2H), 1.44 – 1.36 (m, 2H), 0.92 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 3H); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 212.2, 164.3, 161.8, 128.4, 128.3, 116.2 (d, $J = 30.3$ Hz), 115.0 (t, $J = 242.4$ Hz), 114.7, 103.4 (t, $J = 10.1$ Hz), 86.9, 35.5 (t, $J = 20.2$ Hz), 31.6, 29.7, 22.0, 13.8; $^{19}\text{F NMR}$ (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -111.98 (ddd, $J = 13.2, 8.4, 5.0$ Hz, 1F), -114.87 (dtd, $J = 56.4, 15.6, 3.7$ Hz, 2F); **IR** (thin film) ν 2961, 2221, 1504, 1259, 1020, 797 cm^{-1} ; **MS** (ESI): m/z 302 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$; **HRMS** (ESI-TOF): m/z Calculated for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{16}\text{NF}_3\text{Na}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 302.1133; Found: 302.1127.

2-butyl-4-(4-chlorophenyl)-6,6-difluorohexa-2,3-dienitrile

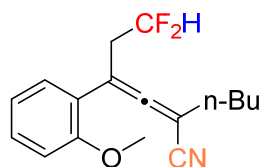


4j

The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 20:1) to afford **4j** (31.9 mg, 54 %) as yellow oil. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.40 – 7.35 (m, 2H), 7.28 – 7.26 (m, 1H), 7.26 – 7.23 (m, 1H), 5.96 (tt, $J = 55.8, 4.5$ Hz, 1H), 3.05 (td, $J = 15.6, 4.5$ Hz, 2H), 2.39 – 2.25 (m, 2H), 1.59 – 1.54 (m, 2H), 1.43 – 1.36 (m, 2H), 0.92 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 3H); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 212.3, 135.1, 131.0, 129.4, 127.8, 114.9 (t, $J = 242.4$ Hz), 114.6, 103.5, 87.1, 35.3 (t, $J = 20.2$ Hz), 31.6, 29.7, 22.0, 13.8; $^{19}\text{F NMR}$ (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -114.88 (dtd, $J = 56.4, 15.5, 4.0$ Hz, 2F); **IR** (thin film) ν 2960, 2217, 1259, 1398, 1020, 797 cm^{-1} ; **MS** (ESI): m/z

318 [M+Na]⁺; **HRMS** (ESI-TOF): *m/z* Calculated for C₁₆H₁₆NF₂NaCl [M+Na]⁺: 318.0837; Found: 318.0832.

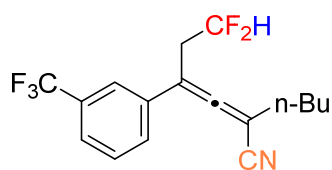
2-butyl-6,6-difluoro-4-(2-methoxyphenyl)hexa-2,3-dienenitrile



4k

The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 20:1) to afford **4k** (42.5 mg, 73 %) as yellow oil. **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.44 – 7.30 (m, 1H), 7.20 – 7.09 (m, 1H), 7.03 – 6.85 (m, 2H), 5.90 (tt, *J* = 56.2, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 3.04 (ddt, *J* = 16.8, 15.3, 4.9 Hz, 2H), 2.32 – 2.21 (m, 2H), 1.63 – 1.52 (m, 2H), 1.42 – 1.32 (m, 2H), 0.92 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 3H); **¹³C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 212.8, 156.9, 130.4, 129.5, 122.1, 121.0, 115.6, 115.5 (t, *J* = 242.4 Hz), 111.4, 101.5 (t, *J* = 10.1 Hz), 83.1, 55.7, 37.0 (t, *J* = 20.2 Hz), 31.4, 29.7, 22.0, 13.8; **¹⁹F NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -115.21 (ddd, *J* = 56.4, 33.8, 18.8 Hz, 2F); **IR** (thin film) ν 2961, 2221, 1969, 1258, 1021, 797 cm⁻¹; **MS** (ESI): *m/z* 314 [M+Na]⁺; **HRMS** (ESI-TOF): *m/z* Calculated for C₁₇H₁₉NOF₂Na [M+Na]⁺: 314.1332; Found: 314.1335.

2-butyl-6,6-difluoro-4-(3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)hexa-2,3-dienenitrile

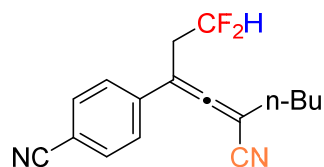


4l

The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 20:1) to afford **4l** (59.2 mg, 90 %) as yellow oil. **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.62 – 7.60 (m, 1H), 7.57 – 7.47 (m, 3H), 5.99 (tt, *J* = 55.7, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 3.10 (td, *J* = 15.6, 4.4 Hz, 2H), 2.36 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 1.63 – 1.54 (m, 2H), 1.46 – 1.36 (m, 2H), 0.93 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 3H); **¹³C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 212.4, 133.7, 131.9, 131.6, 129.8 (d, *J* = 10.1 Hz), 125.8, 123.8 (q, *J* = 272.7 Hz), 123.2 (d, *J* = 10.1 Hz), 114.8 (t, *J* = 242.4 Hz), 114.4, 103.4 (t, *J* = 10.1 Hz), 87.6, 35.3 (t, *J* = 20.2 Hz),

31.6, 29.6, 22.0, 13.8; ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -62.85 (s, 3F), -115.01 (dtd, 56.4, 15.0, 3.8, 2F); IR (thin film) ν 2961, 2221, 1328, 1259, 1020, 797, 697 cm^{-1} ; MS (ESI): m/z 352 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$; HRMS (ESI-TOF): m/z Calculated for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{16}\text{NF}_5\text{Na}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 352.1203; Found: 352.1201.

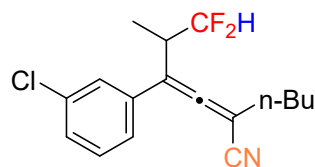
4-(5-cyano-1,1-difluoronona-3,4-dien-3-yl)benzonitrile



4m

The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 20:1) to afford **4m** (34.9 mg, 61 %) as yellow oil. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.69 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.44 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 5.99 (tt, J = 55.5, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 3.09 (td, J = 15.7, 4.3 Hz, 2H), 2.36 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 1.63 – 1.55 (m, 2H), 1.44 – 1.34 (m, 2H), 0.92 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 213.0, 137.5, 132.9, 127.2, 118.3, 114.7 (t, J = 242.4 Hz), 114.0, 112.7, 103.2 (t, J = 10.1 Hz), 87.9, 35.1 (t, J = 30.3 Hz), 31.5, 29.6, 22.0, 13.7; ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -114.89 (dtd, J = 56.4, 15.6, 4.2 Hz, 2F); IR (thin film) ν 2960, 2221, 1969, 1259, 1019, 797, 695 cm^{-1} ; MS (ESI): m/z 309 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$; HRMS (ESI-TOF): m/z Calculated for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{16}\text{N}_2\text{F}_2\text{Na}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 309.1282; Found: 309.1287.

2-butyl-4-(3-chlorophenyl)-6,6-difluoro-5-methylhexa-2,3-dienenitrile

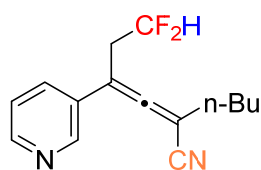


4p

The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 20:1) to afford **4p** (53.2 g, 86 %) as yellow oil. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.36 – 7.27 (m, 3H), 7.24 – 7.17 (m, 1H), 5.76 (tdd, J = 56.1, 10.0, 3.9 Hz, 1H), 3.26 – 3.08 (m, 1H), 2.33 (td, J = 7.8, 3.8 Hz, 2H), 1.64 – 1.53 (m, 2H), 1.45 – 1.35 (m, 2H), 1.29 (dd, J = 10.0, 7.0 Hz, 3H), 0.93 (td, J = 7.3,

3.2 Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 212.1 (d, $J = 10.1$ Hz), 135.2, 134.9 (d, $J = 10.1$ Hz), 130.4, 129.0, 127.1, 125.2, 116.7 (td, $J = 242.4$, 10.1 Hz), 114.6, 110.2 (dt, $J = 20.2$, 4.0 Hz), 88.0 (d, $J = 10.1$ Hz), 39.2 (td, $J = 20.2$, 4.0 Hz), 31.5 (d, $J = 20.2$ Hz), 29.7 (d, $J = 10.1$ Hz), 22.0, 13.7, 13.0 - 12.8 (m, 1C); ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -118.8 – -124.6 (m, 2F). IR (thin film) ν 2955, 2217, 1580, 1460, 1259, 1073, 795, 691 cm^{-1} ; MS (ESI): m/z 332 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$; HRMS (ESI-TOF): m/z Calculated for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{18}\text{NF}_2\text{NaCl}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 332.0994; Found: 332.1002.

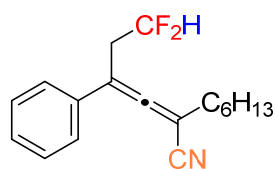
2-butyl-6,6-difluoro-4-(pyridin-3-yl)hexa-2,3-dienitrile



4q

The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 20:1) to afford **4q** (32.0 mg, 61 %) as yellow oil. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.64 – 8.52 (m, 2H), 7.66 – 7.58 (m, 1H), 7.37 – 7.30 (m, 1H), 5.99 (tt, $J = 55.7$, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 3.08 (td, $J = 15.7$, 4.4 Hz, 2H), 2.38 – 2.27 (m, 2H), 1.62 – 1.52 (m, 2H), 1.43 – 1.34 (m, 2H), 0.92 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 212.1, 150.0, 147.8, 133.8, 128.8, 123.9, 114.8 (t, $J = 242.4$ Hz), 114.3, 101.7 (t, $J = 10.1$ Hz), 87.5, 35.1 (t, $J = 20.2$ Hz), 31.5, 29.6, 22.0, 13.7; ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -115.01 (dtd, $J = 55.6$, 15.7, 2.9 Hz, 2F); IR (thin film) ν 2962, 2217, 1259, 1085, 1016, 797 cm^{-1} ; MS (ESI): m/z 263 $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$; HRMS (ESI-TOF): m/z Calculated for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{17}\text{N}_2\text{F}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 263.1360; Found: 263.1365.

2-(4,4-difluoro-2-phenylbut-1-en-1-ylidene)octanenitrile

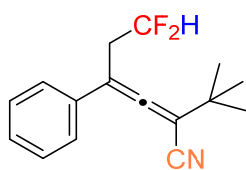


4r

The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 20:1) to afford **4r** (43.4 g, 75 %) as yellow oil. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.50 – 7.27 (m, 5H), 5.97 (tt, $J = 55.9$, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 3.17 – 2.98 (m, 2H), 2.33 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 1.68 – 1.53 (m, 2H), 1.36 (t, J

= 5.4 Hz, 2H), 1.29 – 1.24 (m, 4H), 0.91 – 0.84 (m, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 212.4, 132.4, 129.2, 129.0, 126.6, 115.1 (t, $J = 242.4$ Hz), 114.8, 104.2 (t, $J = 10.1$ Hz), 86.6, 35.4 (t, $J = 20.2$ Hz), 31.9, 31.5, 28.6, 27.6, 22.6, 14.0; ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -114.86 (dtd, $J = 55.7$, 15.6, 6.7 Hz, 2F); IR (thin film) ν 2959, 2217, 1952, 1259, 1019, 797, 694 cm^{-1} ; MS (ESI): m/z 312 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$; HRMS (ESI-TOF): m/z Calculated for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{21}\text{NF}_2\text{Na}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 312.1540; Found: 312.1534.

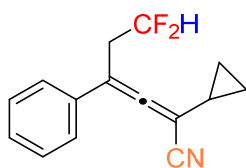
2-(tert-butyl)-6,6-difluoro-4-phenylhexa-2,3-dienenitrile



4s

The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 20:1) to afford **4s** (44.4 g, 85 %) as yellow oil. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.43 – 7.37 (m, 2H), 7.39 – 7.29 (m, 3H), 5.99 (tt, $J = 55.8$, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 3.16 – 3.04 (m, 2H), 1.26 (s, 9H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 210.0, 132.5, 129.2, 129.0, 126.3, 115.1 (t, $J = 242.4$ Hz), 113.9, 105.2, 97.7, 35.7, 35.4 (t, $J = 20.2$ Hz), 28.8; ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -114.37 (dtd, $J = 56.4$, 15.4, 2.9 Hz, 2F). IR (thin film) ν 2961, 2217, 1401, 1259, 1020, 798 cm^{-1} ; MS (ESI): m/z 284 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$; HRMS (ESI-TOF): m/z Calculated for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{17}\text{NF}_2\text{Na}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 284.1227; Found: 284.1226.

2-cyclopropyl-6,6-difluoro-4-phenylhexa-2,3-dienenitrile

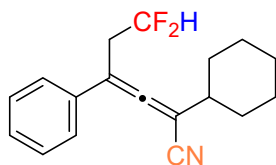


4t

The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 20:1) to afford **4t** (44.4 g, 50 %) as yellow oil. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.44 – 7.38 (m, 2H), 7.38 – 7.30 (m, 3H), 5.96 (tt, $J = 55.9$, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 3.20 – 2.93 (m, 2H), 1.56 (td, $J = 8.2$, 4.9 Hz, 1H), 0.94 – 0.87 (m, 2H), 0.78 – 0.68 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 211.8, 132.4, 129.2, 129.2, 126.6, 115.1 (t, $J = 242.4$ Hz), 113.8, 105.8, 90.3, 35.5 (t, $J = 20.2$ Hz), 11.7, 6.7, 6.6;

^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -114.94 (dtd, $J = 56.0, 15.4, 3.0$ Hz). IR (thin film) ν 2963, 2215, 1411, 1261, 1018, 797 cm^{-1} ; MS (ESI): m/z 268 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$; HRMS (ESI-TOF): m/z Calculated for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{13}\text{NF}_2\text{Na}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 268.1017; Found: 268.1016.

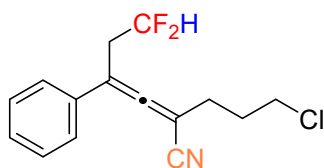
2-cyclohexyl-6,6-difluoro-4-phenylhexa-2,3-dienitrile



4v

The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 20:1) to afford **4v** (47.7 g, 83 %) as yellow oil. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.45 – 7.37 (m, 2H), 7.37 – 7.29 (m, 3H), 5.98 (tt, $J = 55.9, 4.6$ Hz, 1H), 3.08 (tt, $J = 15.2, 4.2$ Hz, 2H), 2.32 – 2.23 (m, 1H), 2.02 – 1.93 (m, 2H), 1.84 – 1.75 (m, 2H), 1.73 – 1.66 (m, 1H), 1.61 – 1.56 (m, 1H), 1.33 – 1.25 (m, 4H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 211.4, 132.5, 129.2, 129.0, 126.4, 115.2 (t, $J = 242.4$ Hz), 114.3, 105.1 (t, $J = 10.1$ Hz), 92.4, 40.5, 35.4 (t, $J = 20.2$ Hz), 31.6, 25.9, 25.6; ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -114.50 (dq, $J = 56.1, 16.1$ Hz, 2F); IR (thin film) ν 2929, 2214, 1942, 1448, 1056, 762, 693 cm^{-1} ; MS (ESI): m/z 310 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$; HRMS (ESI-TOF): m/z Calculated for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{19}\text{NF}_2\text{Na}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 310.1383; Found: 310.1387.

2-(3-chloropropyl)-6,6-difluoro-4-phenylhexa-2,3-dienitrile

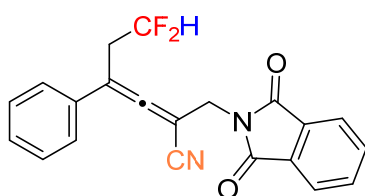


4w

The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 20:1) to afford **4w** (49.5 g, 88 %) as yellow oil. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.45 – 7.30 (m, 5H), 5.99 (tt, $J = 55.8, 4.5$ Hz, 1H), 3.60 (t, $J = 6.2$ Hz, 2H), 3.19 – 3.01 (m, 2H), 2.58 – 2.49 (m, 2H), 2.12 – 2.02 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 212.6, 132.1, 129.3, 128.5, 126.6, 115.0 (t, $J = 242.4$ Hz), 114.4, 105.1, 85.2, 43.5, 35.4 (t, $J = 20.2$ Hz), 30.0, 29.1; ^{19}F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl_3)

δ -114.91 (dtd, J = 55.7, 15.7, 7.1 Hz, 2F); **IR** (thin film) ν 2958, 2228, 1259, 1024, 797, 698 cm^{-1} ; **MS** (ESI): m/z 304 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$; **HRMS** (ESI-TOF): m/z Calculated for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{14}\text{NF}_2\text{NaCl}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 304.0681; Found: 304.0685.

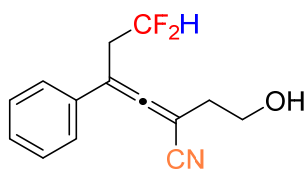
2-((1,3-dioxoisindolin-2-yl)methyl)-6,6-difluoro-4-phenylhexa-2,3-dienitrile



4x

The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 20:1) to afford **4x** (24.0 mg, 33 %) as yellow waxy solid. **^1H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.88 – 7.83 (m, 2H), 7.77 – 7.67 (m, 3H), 7.42 – 7.33 (m, 3H), 7.29 – 7.27 (m, 1H), 5.94 (tt, J = 55.8, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 4.57 (s, 2H), 3.04 (td, J = 15.5, 15.0, 5.1 Hz, 2H); **^{13}C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 212.5, 167.3, 134.6, 131.8, 131.1, 129.6, 129.2, 126.8, 123.8, 114.8 (t, J = 242.4 Hz), 112.4, 108.2, 83.4, 37.7, 35.3 (t, J = 20.2 Hz); **^{19}F NMR** (377 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -115.09 (dt, J = 56.4, 15.4 Hz, 2F); **IR** (thin film) ν 2958, 2228, 1679, 1259, 1024, 797, 698 cm^{-1} ; **MS** (ESI): m/z 365 $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$; **HRMS** (ESI-TOF): m/z Calculated for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{15}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{F}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 365.1023; Found: 365.1025.

6,6-difluoro-2-(2-hydroxyethyl)-4-phenylhexa-2,3-dienitrile

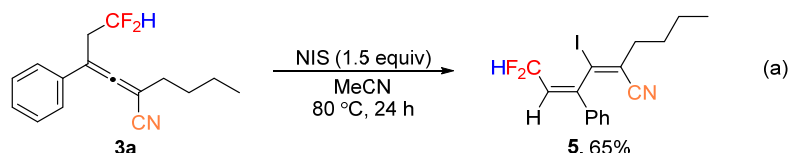


4y

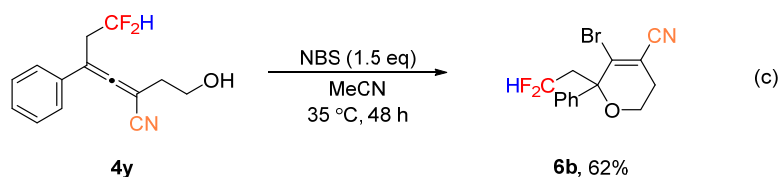
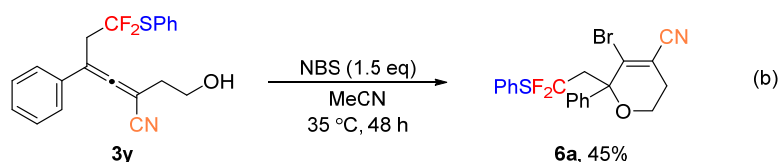
The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 20:1) to afford **4y** (35.4 mg, 71 %) as yellow oil. **^1H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.45 – 7.32 (m, 5H), 6.04 (tt, J = 55.9, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 3.88 (t, J = 5.9 Hz, 2H), 3.09 (td, J = 15.6, 15.1, 4.6 Hz, 2H), 2.56 (t, J = 6.0 Hz, 2H); **^{13}C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 212.3, 131.0, 128.1, 128.1, 125.5, 114.0 (t, J = 242.4 Hz), 113.4, 103.5 (t, J = 10.1 Hz), 82.6, 58.7, 34.1 (t, J = 20.2 Hz), 33.8; **^{19}F NMR** (376 MHz,

CDCl₃) δ -115.04 (dtd, J = 55.7, 15.7, 3.8 Hz, 2F); **IR** (thin film) ν 2960, 2214, 1259, 1020, 797, 695 cm⁻¹; **MS** (ESI): m/z 250 [M+H]⁺; **HRMS** (ESI-TOF): m/z Calculated for C₁₄H₁₄NOF₂ [M+H]⁺: 250.1043; Found: 250.1040.

5. Transformation of difluoroalkylated allenes

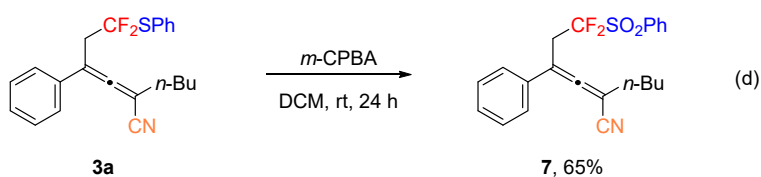


In an 8 mL screw-cap vial was charged with allene (**3a**, 52.2 mg, 0.2 mmol), NIS (67.5 mg, 0.3 mmol) and CH₃CN (2.0 mL). The resulting suspension was stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. Upon completion of the reaction as monitored by TLC, the solvent was concentrated under vacuum. The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 30:1) to afford **5** (50.3 mg, 65%) as yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.47 – 7.36 (m, 5H), 6.31 (tdd, J = 54.8, 11.6, 7.0 Hz, 1H), 6.07 (td, J = 8.4, 6.7 Hz, 1H), 2.67 – 2.54 (m, 1H), 2.26 – 2.17 (m, 1H), 1.78 – 1.65 (m, 1H), 1.52 – 1.44 (m, 1H), 1.02 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 0.85 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 148.5 (d, J = 20.2 Hz), 133.6, 130.6, 130.3, 129.4, 129.2, 127.0, 126.6, 121.3, 119.5, 112.0 (t, J = 242.4 Hz), 38.9, 33.7, 29.6 (d, J = 50.5 Hz), 22.2, 13.8 (d, J = 30.3 Hz); ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -111.05 (ddd, J = 54.7, 15.3, 8.1 Hz, 2F); **IR** (thin film) ν 2960, 2214, 1259, 1083, 1020, 797, 696 cm⁻¹; **MS** (ESI): m/z 388 [M+H]⁺; **HRMS** (ESI-TOF): m/z Calculated for C₁₆H₁₇NF₂I [M+H]⁺: 388.0374; Found: 388.0370.



In an 8 mL screw-cap vial was charged with allene (**3y**, 71.4 mg, 0.2 mmol), NBS (53.4 mg, 0.3 mmol) and CH₃CN (2.0 mL). The resulting suspension was stirred at 35 °C for 24 h. Upon completion of the reaction as monitored by TLC, the solvent was concentrated under vacuum. The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 5:1) to afford **6a** (39.2 mg, 45%) as yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.66 – 7.57 (m, 2H), 7.49 – 7.36 (m, 8H), 4.12 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 3.84 (ddd, *J* = 12.0, 6.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 3.48 (ddd, *J* = 12.0, 10.4, 3.7 Hz, 1H), 3.23 – 3.17 (m, 1H), 2.81 (ddd, *J* = 16.7, 10.4, 6.0 Hz, 1H), 2.30 (ddd, *J* = 17.0, 3.8, 2.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 139.8, 139.4, 136.7, 130.1, 129.2, 129.1, 128.8, 127.7 (t, *J* = 282.8 Hz), 127.5, 117.0, 116.0, 81.0, 58.2, 53.6, 47.3 (t, *J* = 20.2 Hz), 30.0; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -68.10 (AB-t, *J* = 206.8, 15.0 Hz, 2F); IR (thin film) ν 2960, 2214, 1956, 1259, 1020, 797, 695 cm⁻¹; MS (ESI): *m/z* 458 [M+Na]⁺; HRMS (ESI-TOF): *m/z* Calculated for C₂₀H₁₆NOF₂SNaBr [M+Na]⁺: 458.0104; Found: 458.0107.

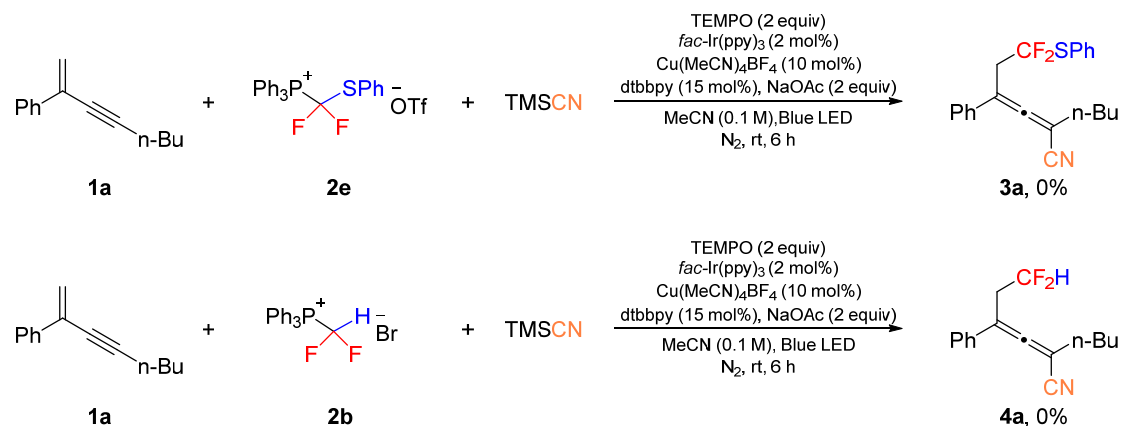
In an 8 mL screw-cap vial was charged with allene (**4y**, 49.8 mg, 0.2 mmol), NBS (53.4 mg, 0.3 mmol) and CH₃CN (2.0 mL). The resulting suspension was stirred at 35 °C for 24 h. Upon completion of the reaction as monitored by TLC, the solvent was concentrated under vacuum. The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 5:1) to afford **6b** (40.6 mg, 62%) as yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.50 – 7.45 (m, 2H), 7.44 – 7.36 (m, 3H), 6.07 (tt, *J* = 56.0, 4.7 Hz, 1H), 4.12 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 3.80 (ddd, *J* = 12.1, 6.0, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 3.53 (ddd, *J* = 12.1, 10.0, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.86 (dd, *J* = 4.5, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 2.71 (ddd, *J* = 17.3, 10.0, 6.0 Hz, 1H), 2.36 (ddd, *J* = 17.3, 4.0, 2.4 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 139.9, 138.9, 129.3, 128.9, 127.5, 116.9, 116.4, 115.0 (t, *J* = 242.4 Hz), 80.5 (t, *J* = 10.1 Hz), 58.1, 43.5 (t, *J* = 20.2 Hz), 30.2; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -113.36 (ddt, *J* = 56.4, 15.0, 3.8 Hz, 2F); IR (thin film) ν 2922, 2214, 1463, 1259, 1084, 1020, 797 cm⁻¹; MS (ESI): *m/z* 350 [M+Na]⁺; HRMS (ESI-TOF): *m/z* Calculated for C₁₄H₁₂NOF₂NaBr [M+Na]⁺: 349.9968; Found: 349.9962.



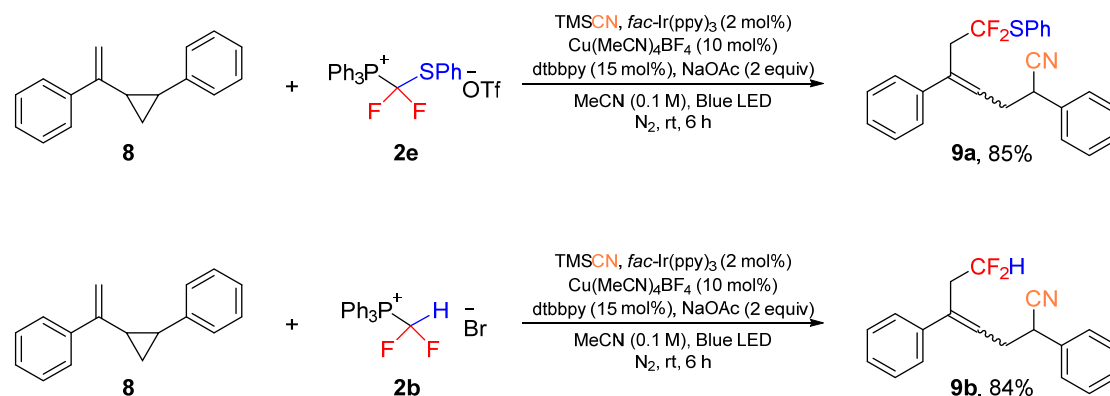
In an 8 mL screw-cap vial was charged with allene (**3a**, 52.2 mg, 0.2 mmol), *m*-CPBA (103.5 mg, 0.6 mmol) and DCM (2.0 mL). The resulting suspension was stirred at room temperature for 24 h. Upon completion of the reaction as monitored by TLC, the solvent was concentrated under vacuum. The product mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 10:1) to afford **7** (52.1 mg, 65%) as yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.01 – 8.00 (m, 2H), 7.80 – 7.77 (m, 1H), 7.66 – 7.62 (m, 2H), 7.42 – 7.34 (m, 5H), 3.62 (t, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 2H), 2.32 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 1.61 – 1.52 (m, 2H), 1.40 – 1.34 (m, 2H), 0.90 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 213.6, 135.8, 132.4, 131.7, 131.0, 129.6, 129.1, 129.1, 126.8, 122.8 (t, *J* = 282.8 Hz), 114.5, 101.6, 86.7, 31.5, 30.4 (t, *J* = 20.2 Hz), 29.6, 22.0, 13.7; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -102.85 (t, *J* = 17.9 Hz, 2F); IR (thin film) ν 2960, 2214, 1259, 1086, 1019, 797, 690 cm⁻¹; MS (ESI): *m/z* 424 [M+Na]⁺; HRMS (ESI-TOF): *m/z* Calculated for C₂₂H₂₁NO₂F₂SNa [M+Na]⁺: 424.1159; Found: 424.1156.

6. Mechanistic Studies

Radical Inhibition Experiment



Radical Clock Experiment



An 8 mL screw-cap vial equipped with a magnetic stir bar was charged with *fac*-Ir(ppy)₃ (2.6 mg, 0.004 mmol), 4,4'-di-tert-butyl-2,2'-bipyridine (8.0 mg, 0.03 mmol), Ph₃PCF₂SPhOTf (114.0 mg, 0.2 mmol), Cu(MeCN)₄BF₄ (6.3 mg, 0.02 mmol) and sodium acetate (32.8 mg, 0.4 mmol). The vial was evacuated and backfilled with nitrogen for three times. Then, MeCN (2.0 mL), TMSCN (50 μL, 0.4 mmol) and **8** (44.0 mg, 0.2 mmol) were added via a syringe. The reaction mixture was placed at a distance of 10 cm from a 40 W blue LEDs and stirred at room temperature for 6h. Then, saturated NaCl aqueous solution was added and the reaction mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate. The combined organic layers were then dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by silica gel column

chromatography to give the desired product **9a** (68.9 mg, 85%) as yellow oil. **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.46 – 7.40 (m, 2H), 7.34 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 7.27 – 7.12 (m, 9H), 6.96 – 6.91 (m, 2H), 5.70 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 3.73 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 3.12 (t, *J* = 14.2 Hz, 2H), 2.53 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H); **¹³C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 139.0, 136.9 (t, *J* = 10.1 Hz), 136.2, 135.0, 129.8, 129.1, 129.0, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 128.3 (t, *J* = 282.8 Hz), 127.5, 127.0, 120.4, 48.1 (t, *J* = 20.2 Hz), 37.4, 35.2, 29.8, 14.3; **¹⁹F NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -69.89 (t, *J* = 14.2 Hz, 2F); **IR** (thin film) ν 2961, 2214, 1259, 1021, 1019, 797, 697 cm⁻¹; **MS** (ESI): *m/z* 428 [M+Na]⁺; **HRMS** (ESI-TOF): *m/z* Calculated for C₂₅H₂₁NF₂NaS [M+Na]⁺: 428.1260; Found: 428.1264.

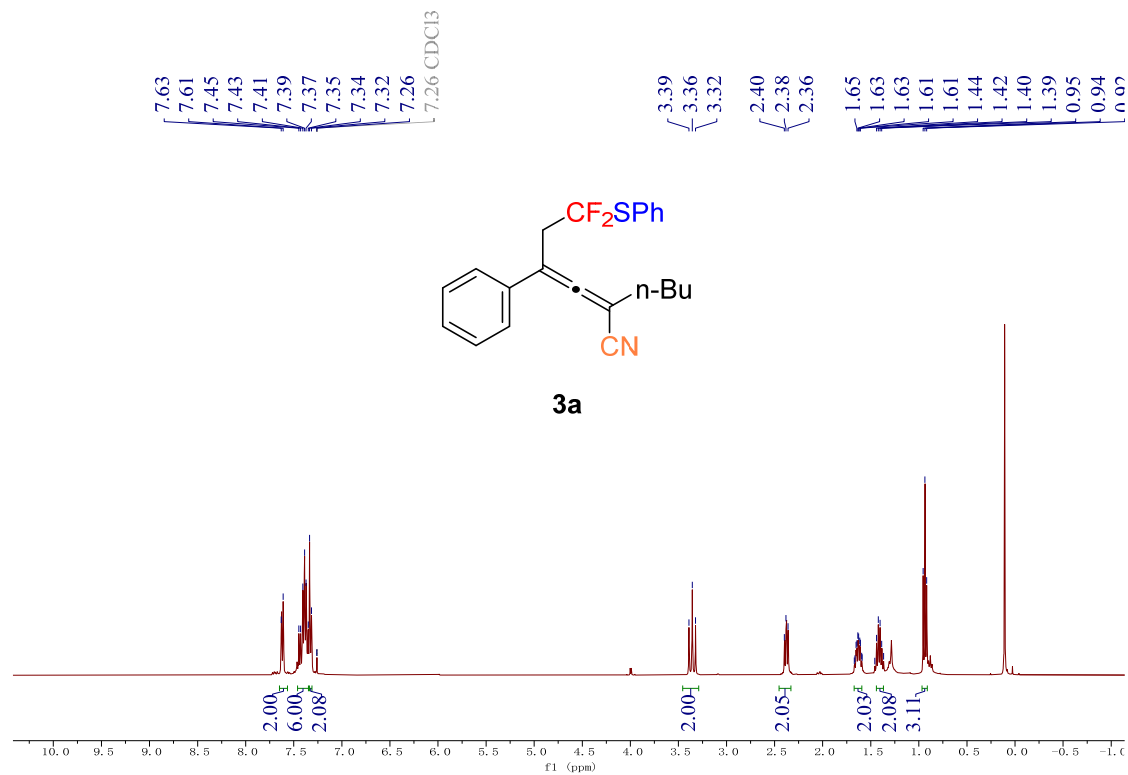
9b (49.9 mg, 84%), yellow oil. **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.30 – 7.21 (m, 6H), 7.16 – 7.12 (m, 2H), 6.91 – 6.83 (m, 2H), 5.62 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 5.56 (t, *J* = 4.9 Hz, 1H), 3.72 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 2.79 (td, *J* = 16.3, 4.9 Hz, 2H), 2.48 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H); **¹³C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 138.6, 137.5 (t, *J* = 10.1 Hz), 135.0, 129.1, 128.7, 128.3, 128.1, 127.8, 127.5, 126.5, 120.4, 115.5 (t, *J* = 242.4 Hz), 44.2 (t, *J* = 20.2 Hz), 37.4, 35.0; **¹⁹F NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -115.98 (dt, *J* = 56.4, 16.3 Hz, 2F); **IR** (thin film) ν 2922, 2214, 1259, 1021, 797, 699 cm⁻¹; **MS** (ESI): *m/z* 320 [M+Na]⁺; **HRMS** (ESI-TOF): *m/z* Calculated for C₁₉H₁₇NF₂Na [M+Na]⁺: 320.1227; Found: 320.1228.

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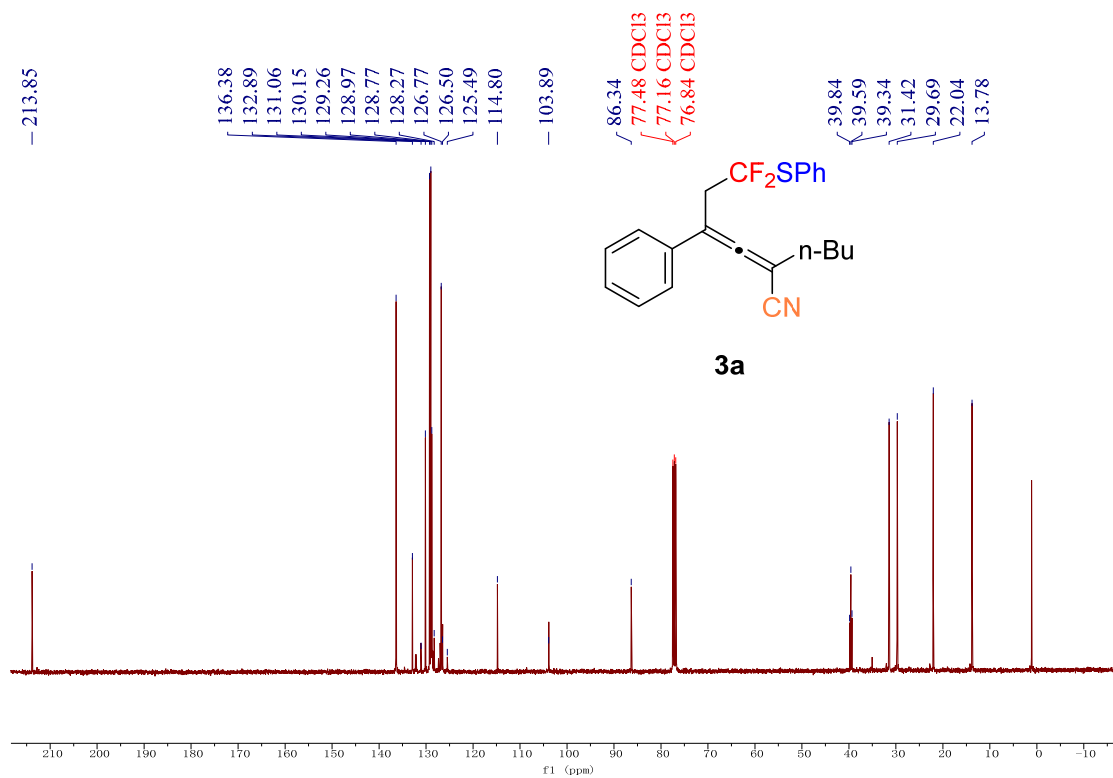
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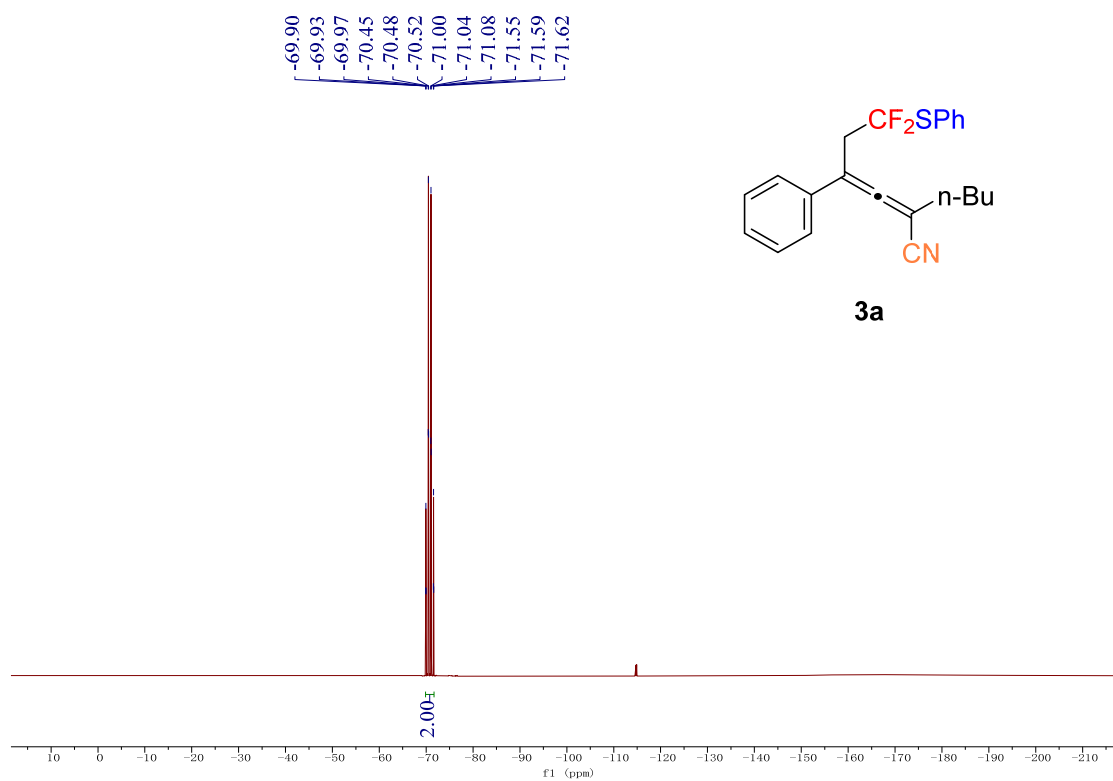
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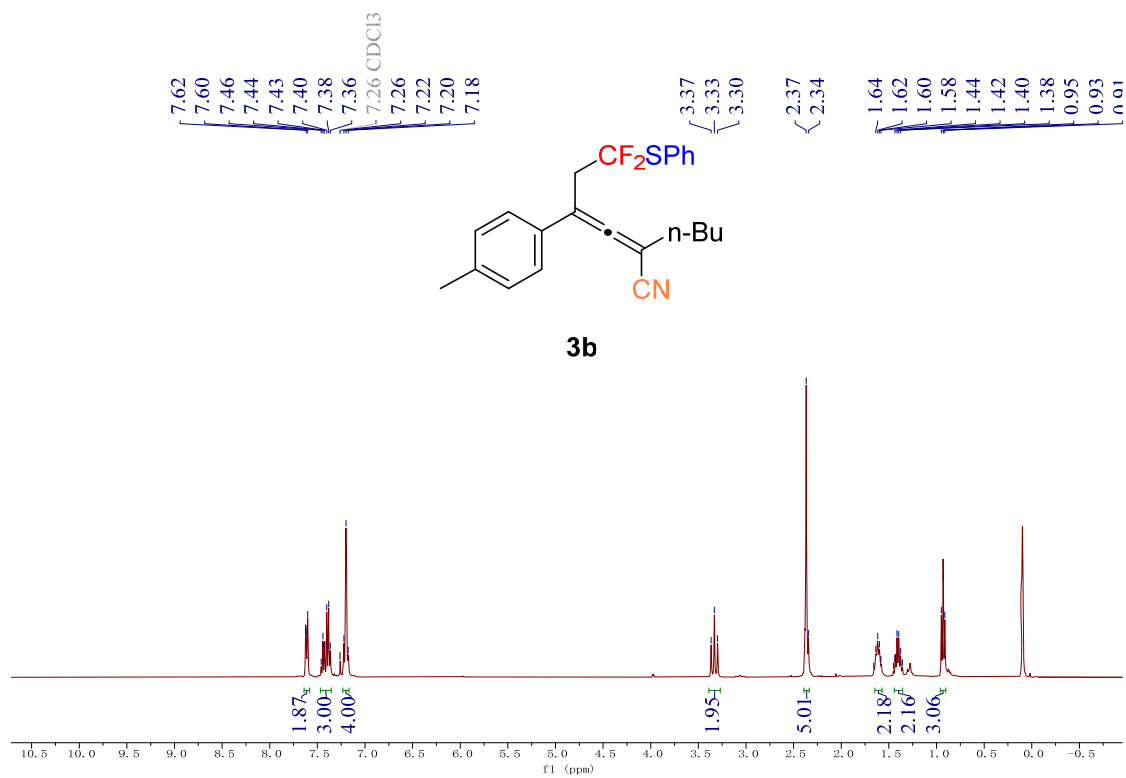
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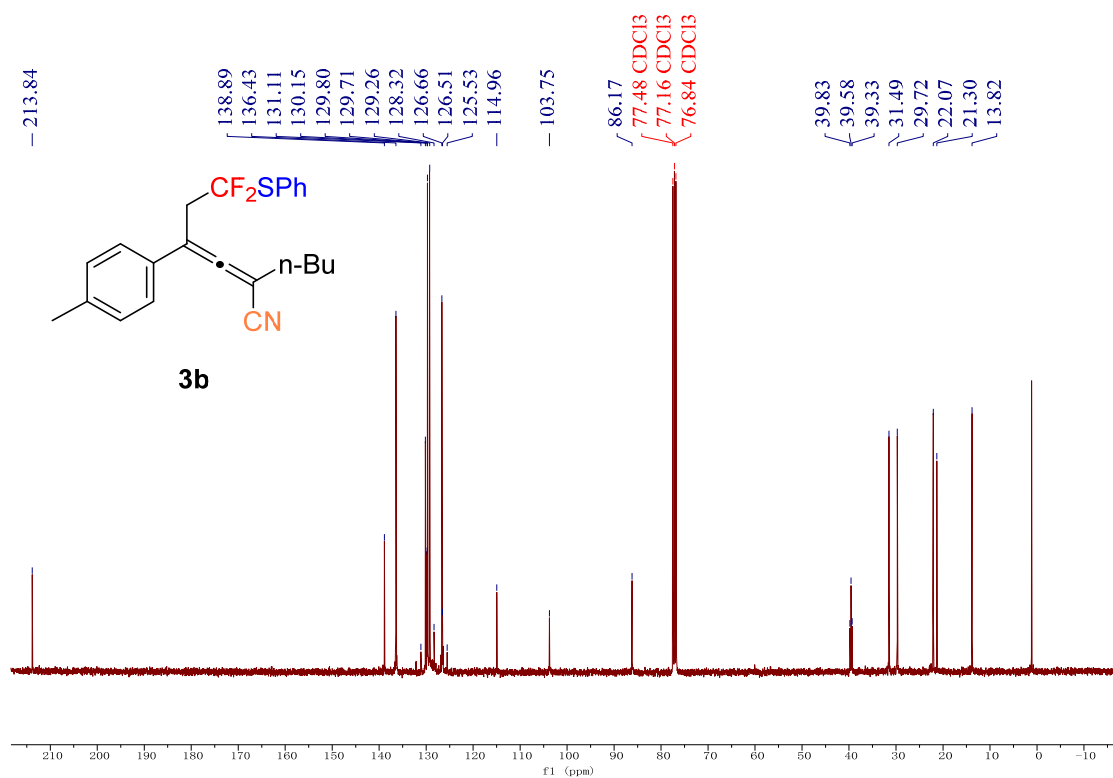
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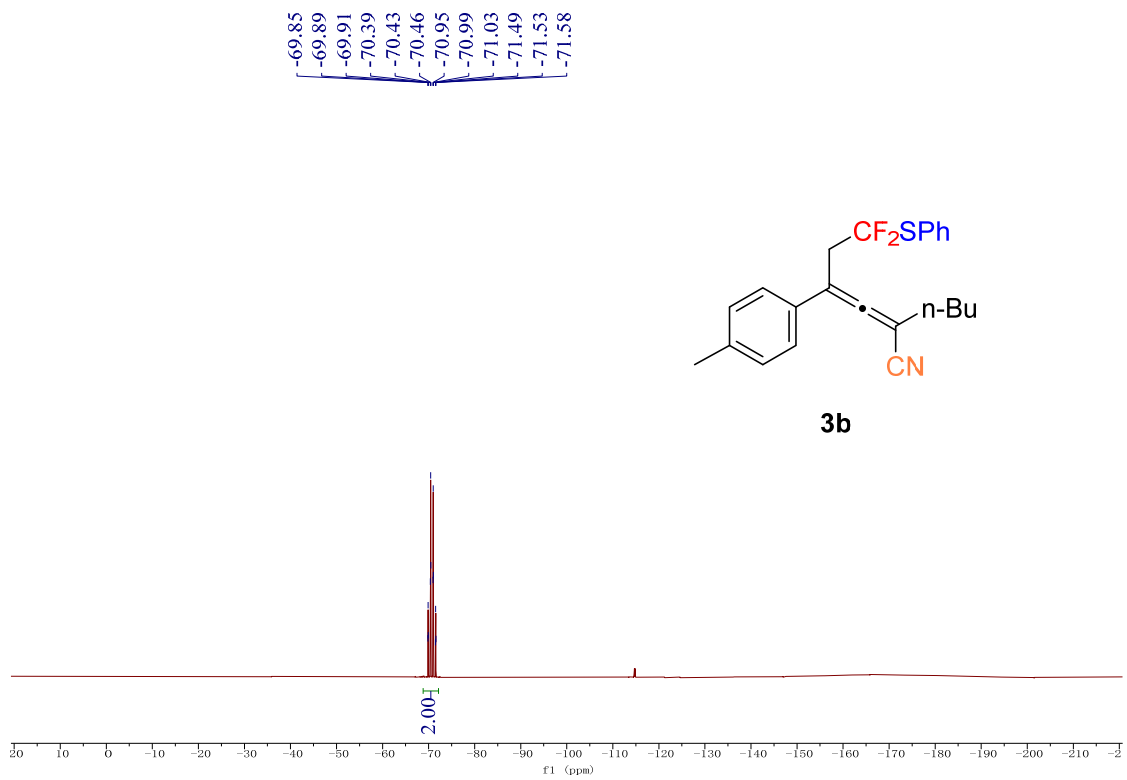
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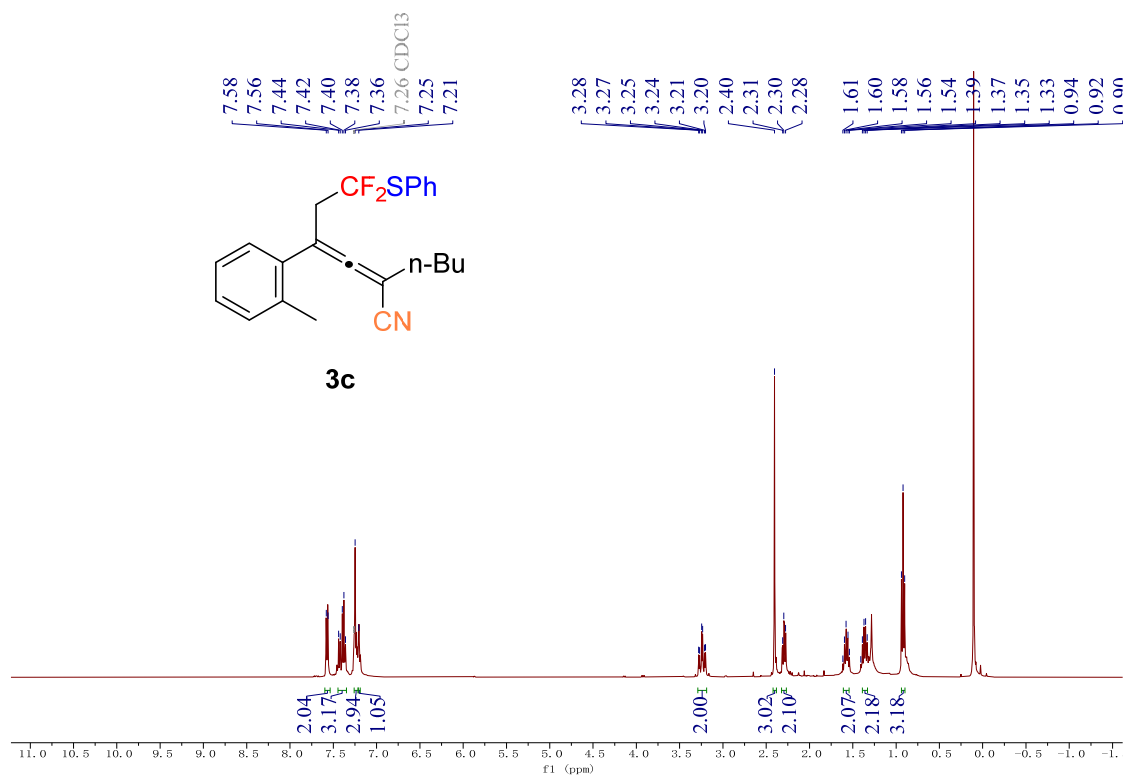
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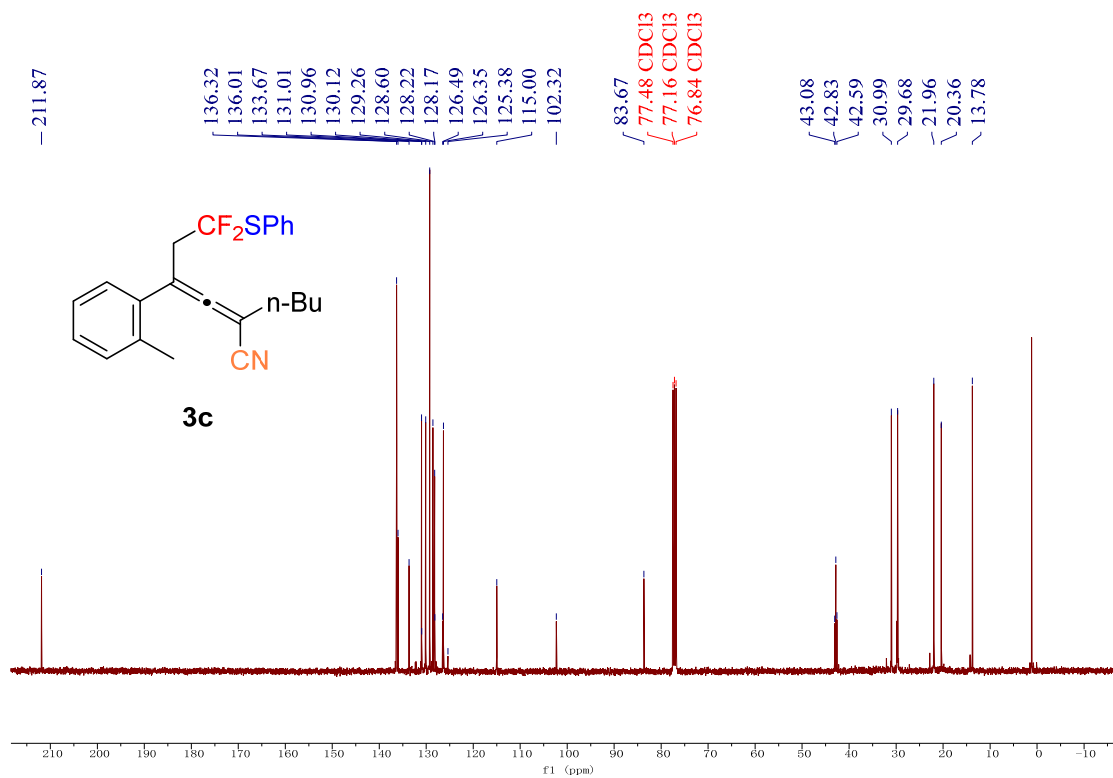
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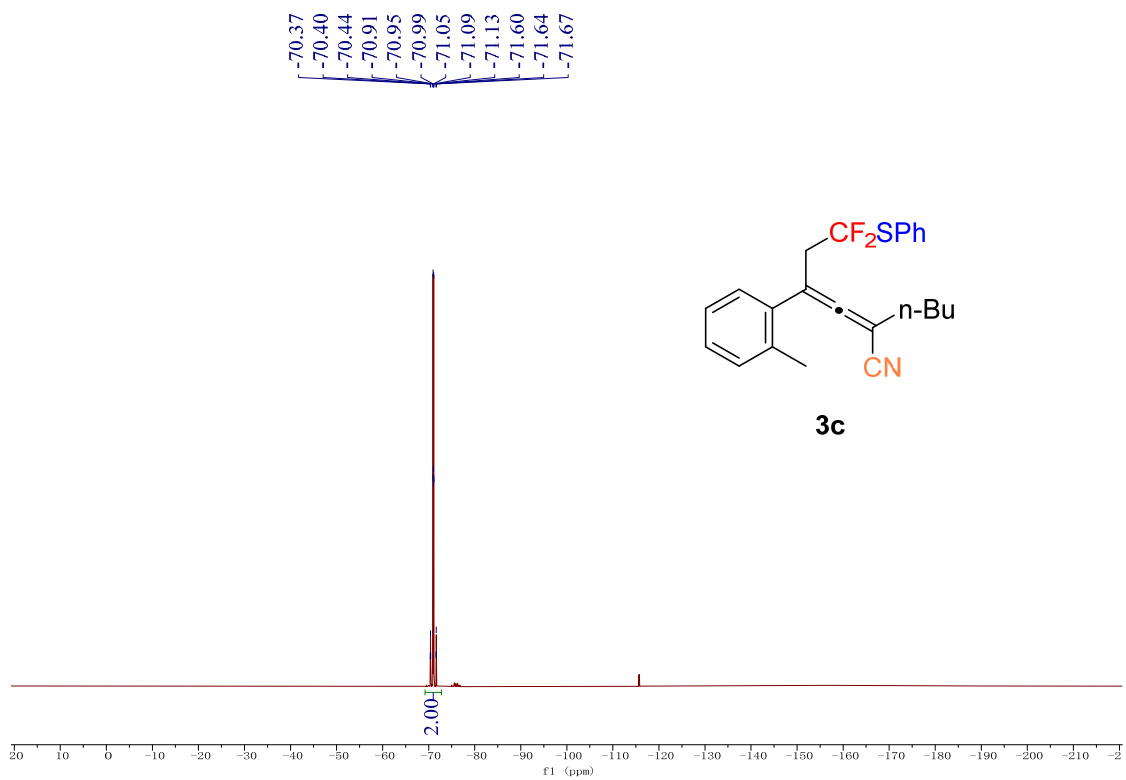
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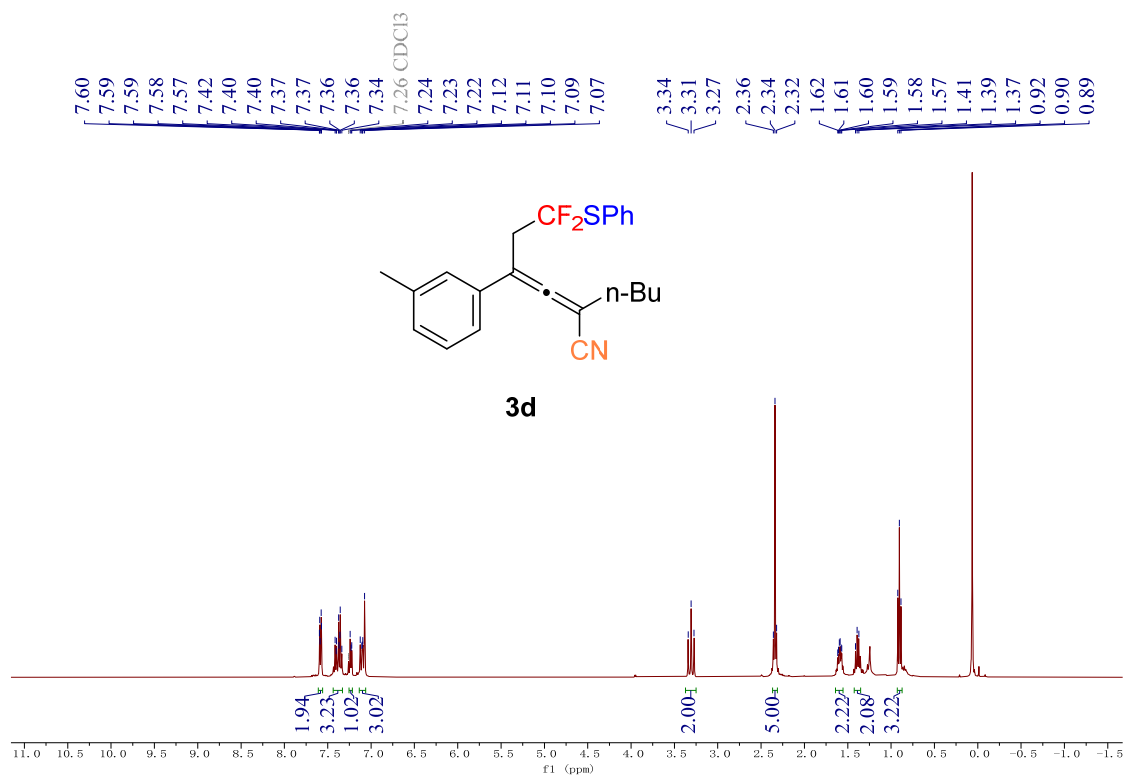
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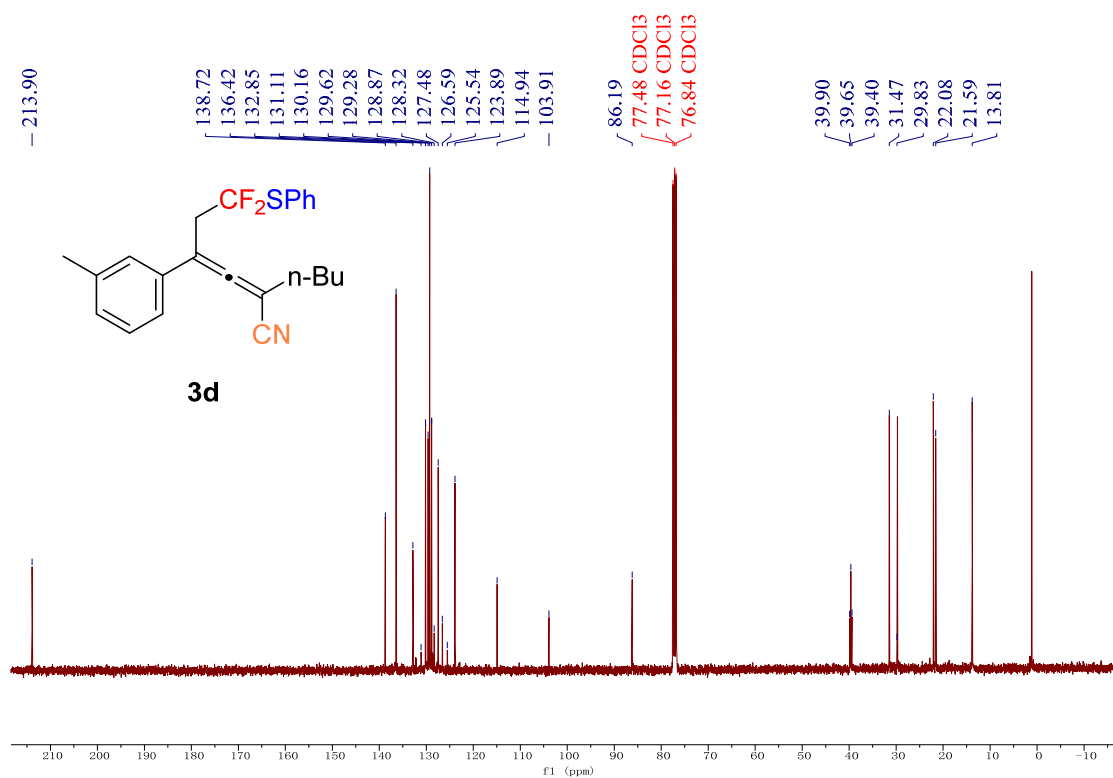
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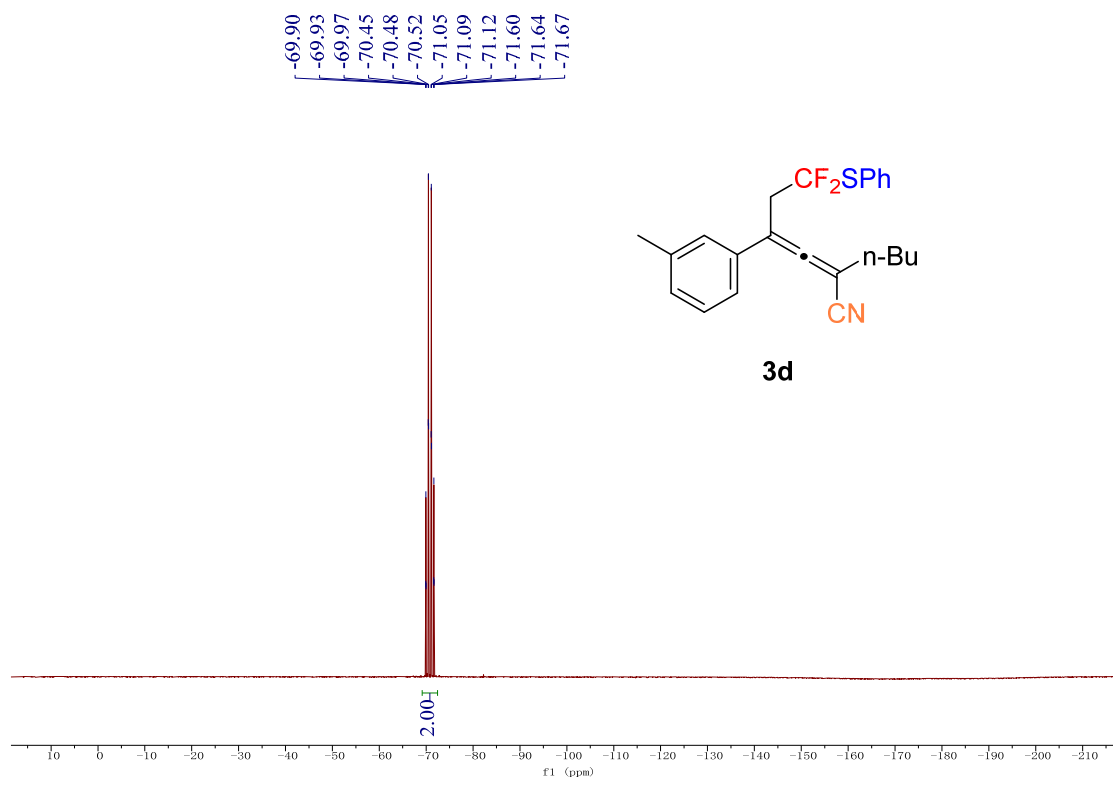
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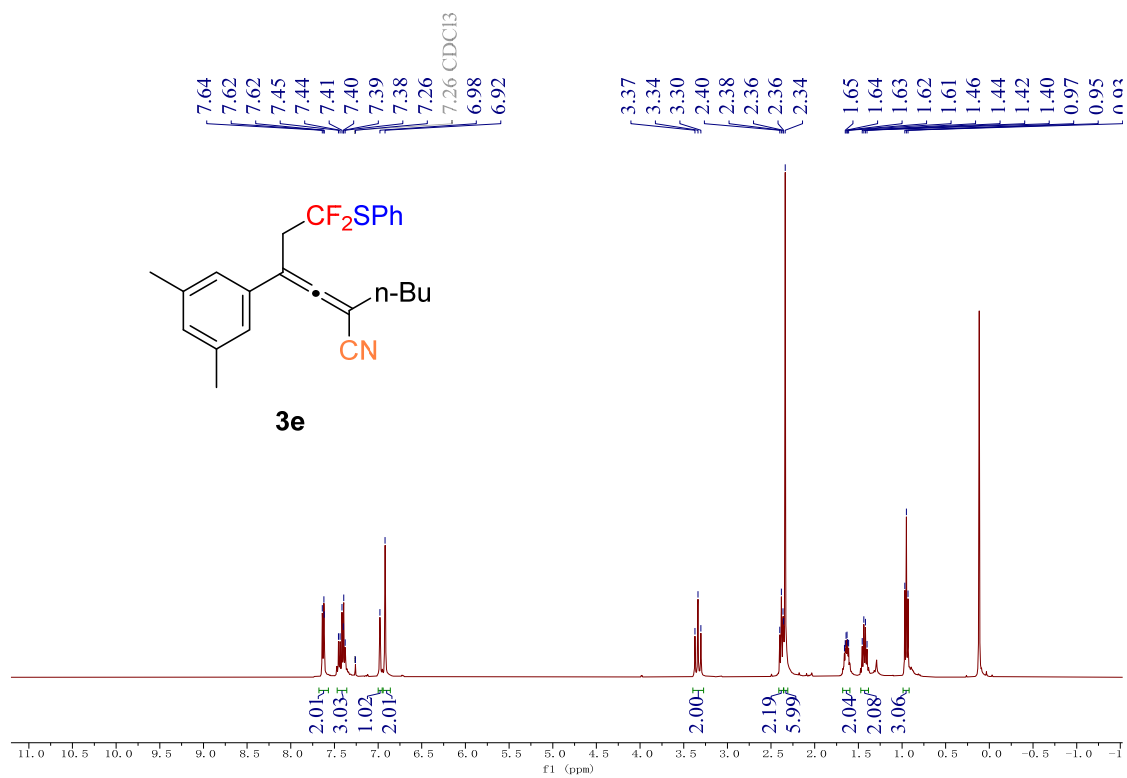
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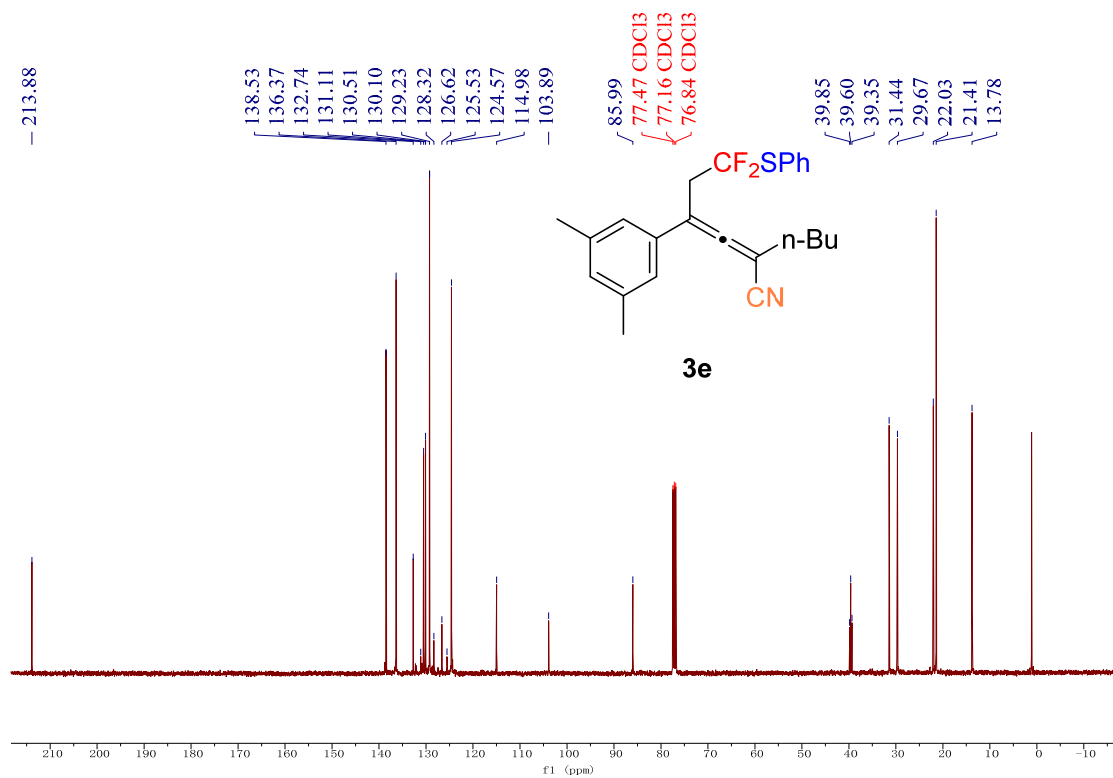
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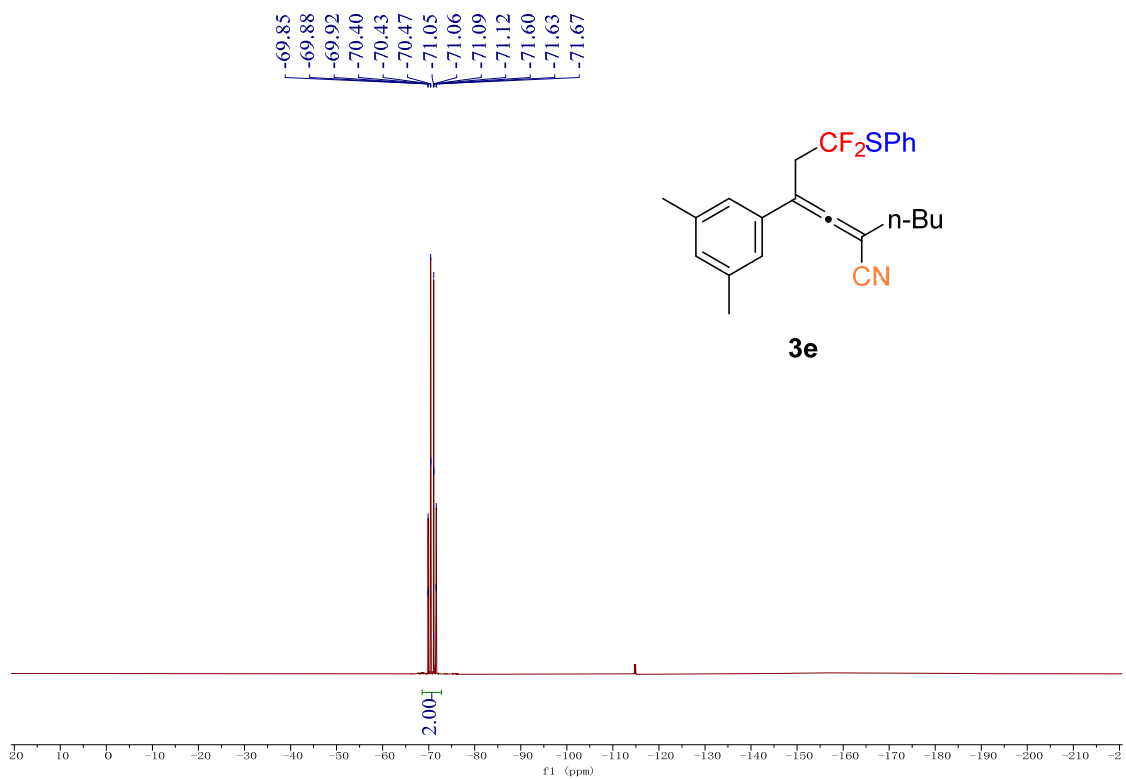
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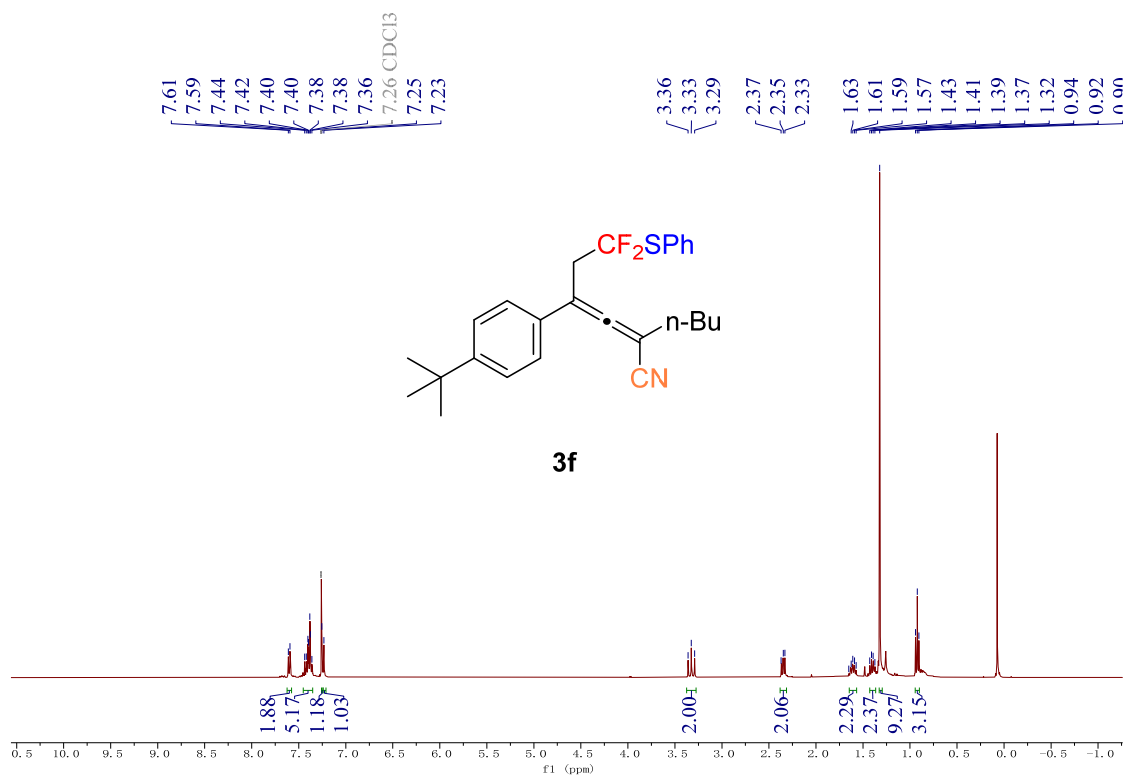
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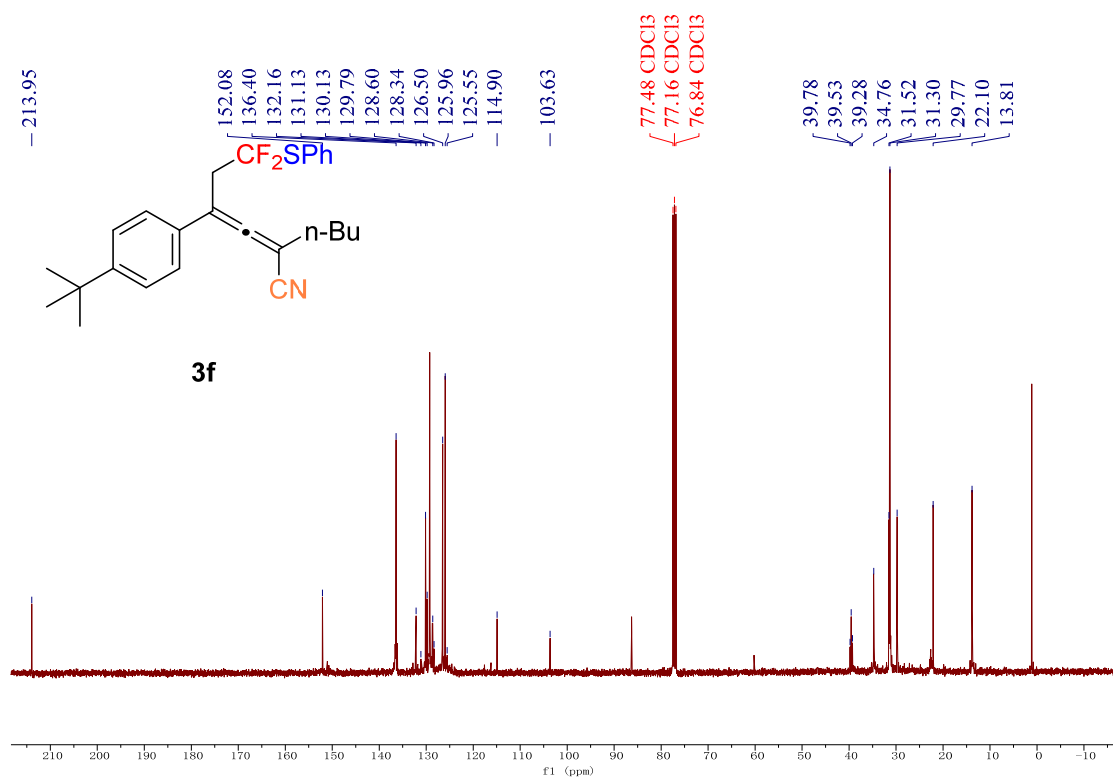
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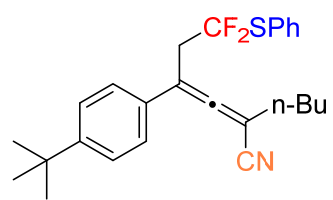


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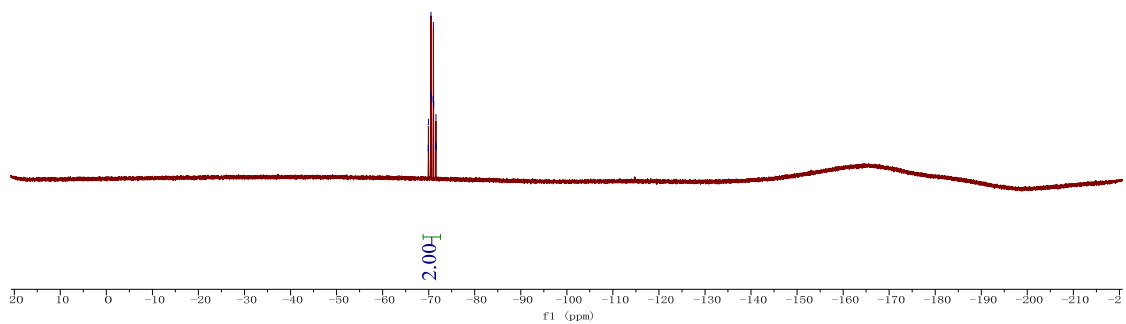


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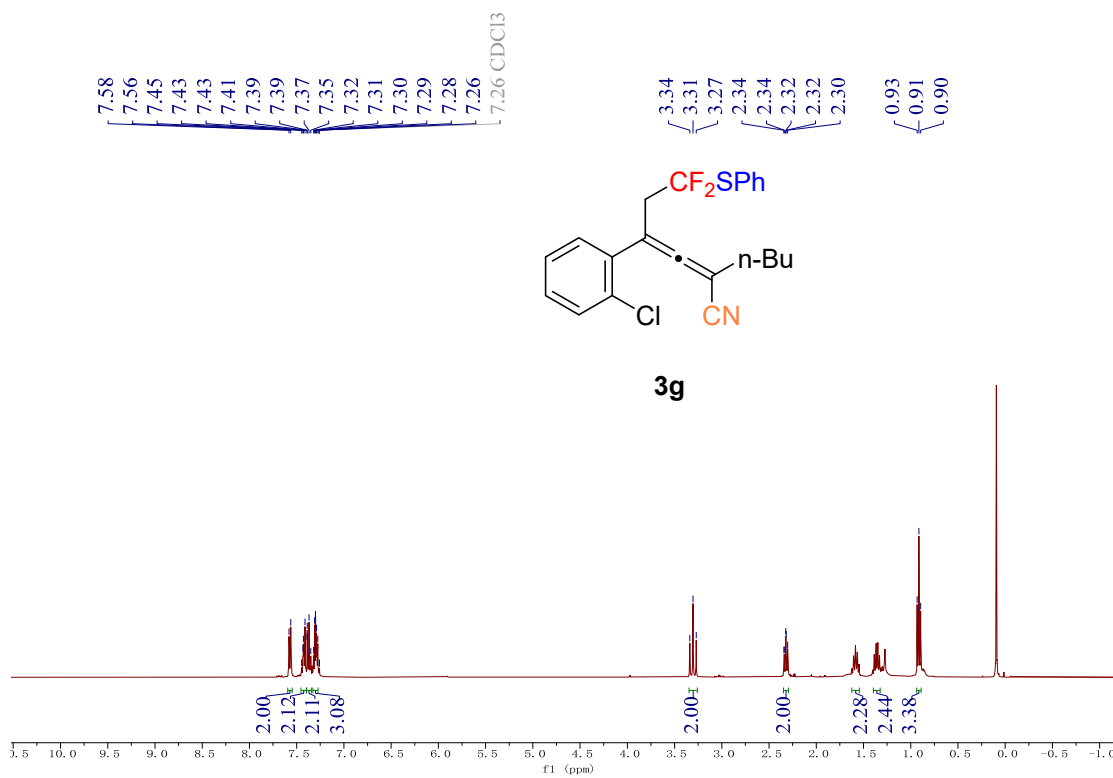
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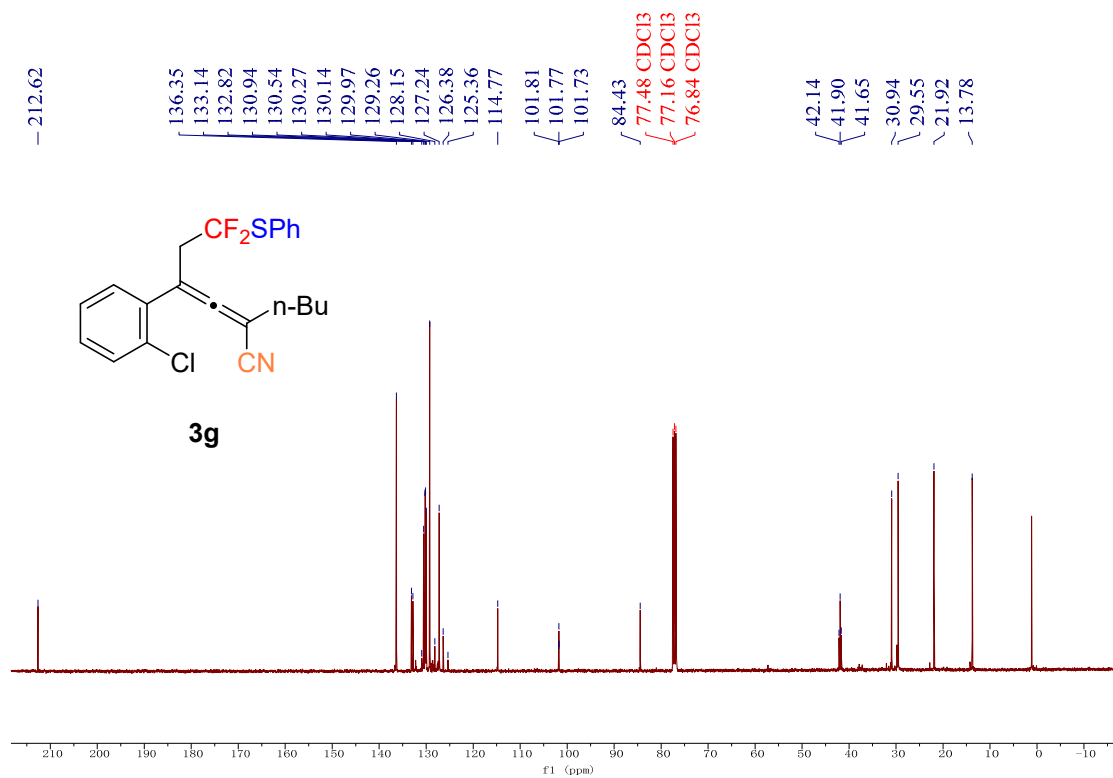
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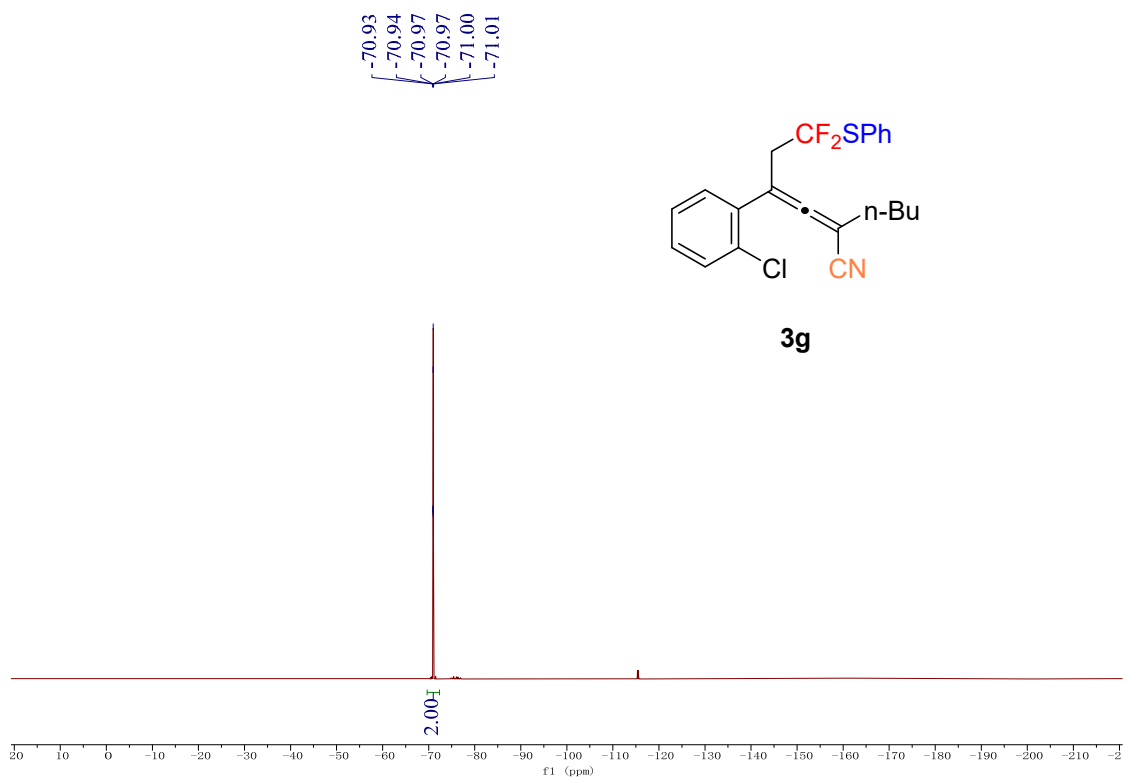
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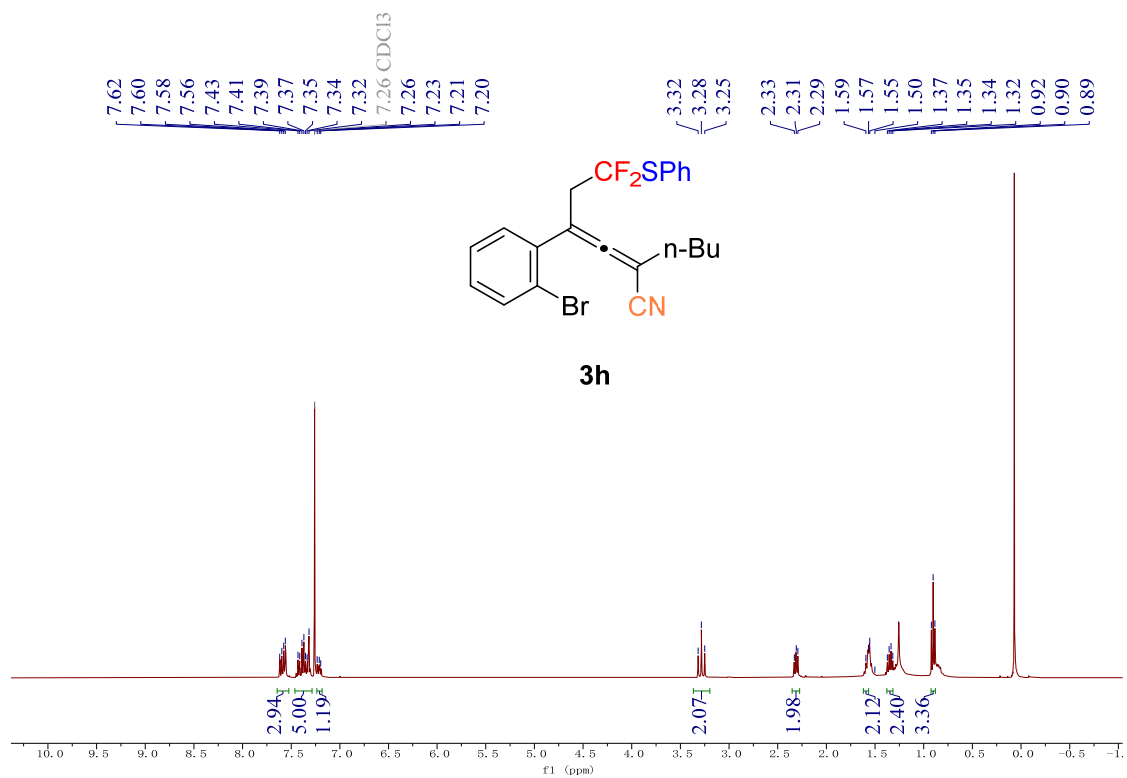
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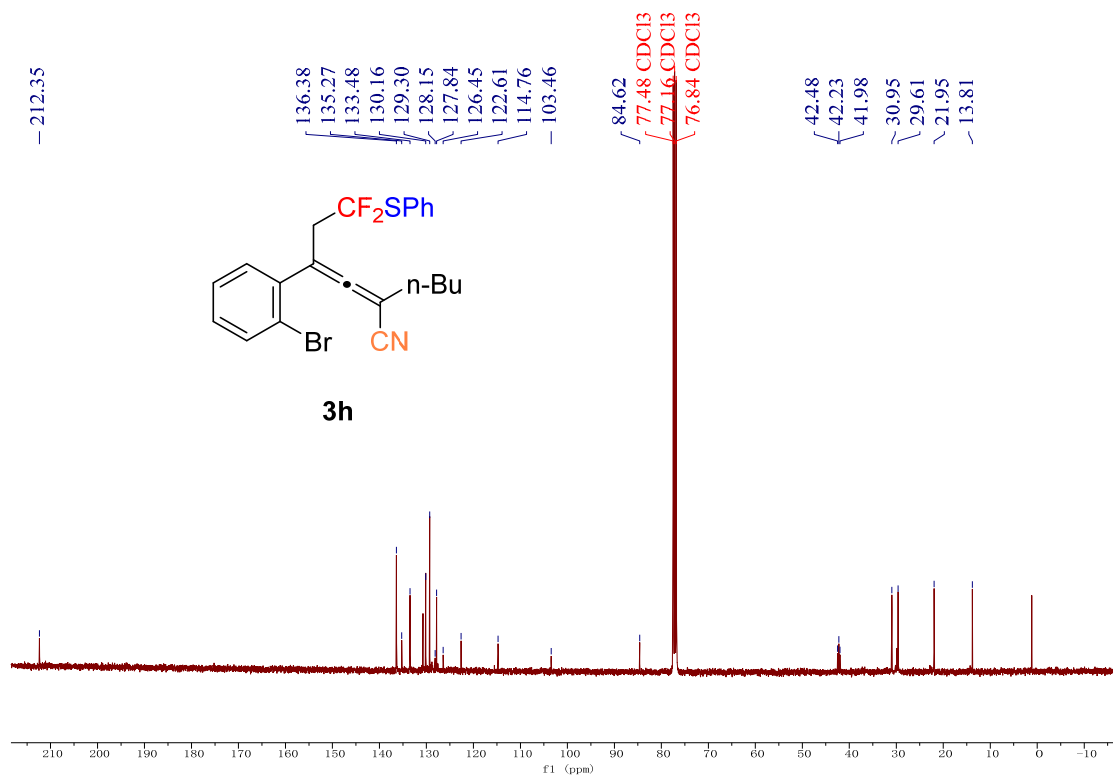
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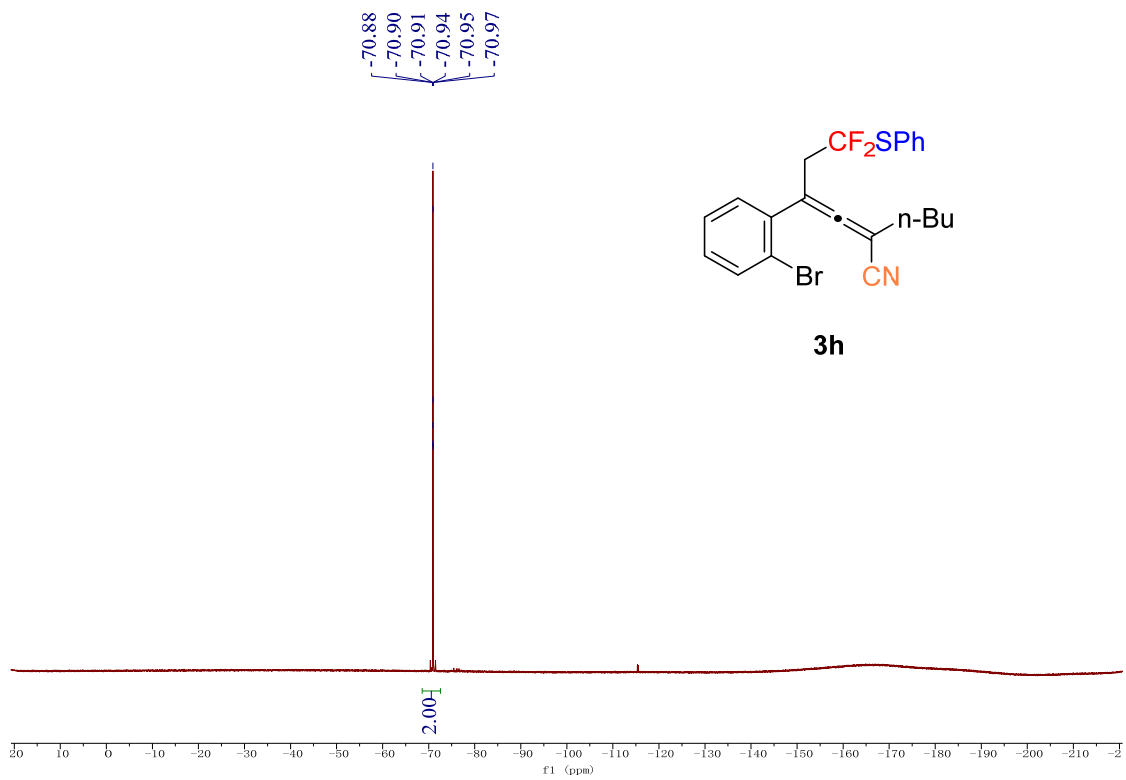
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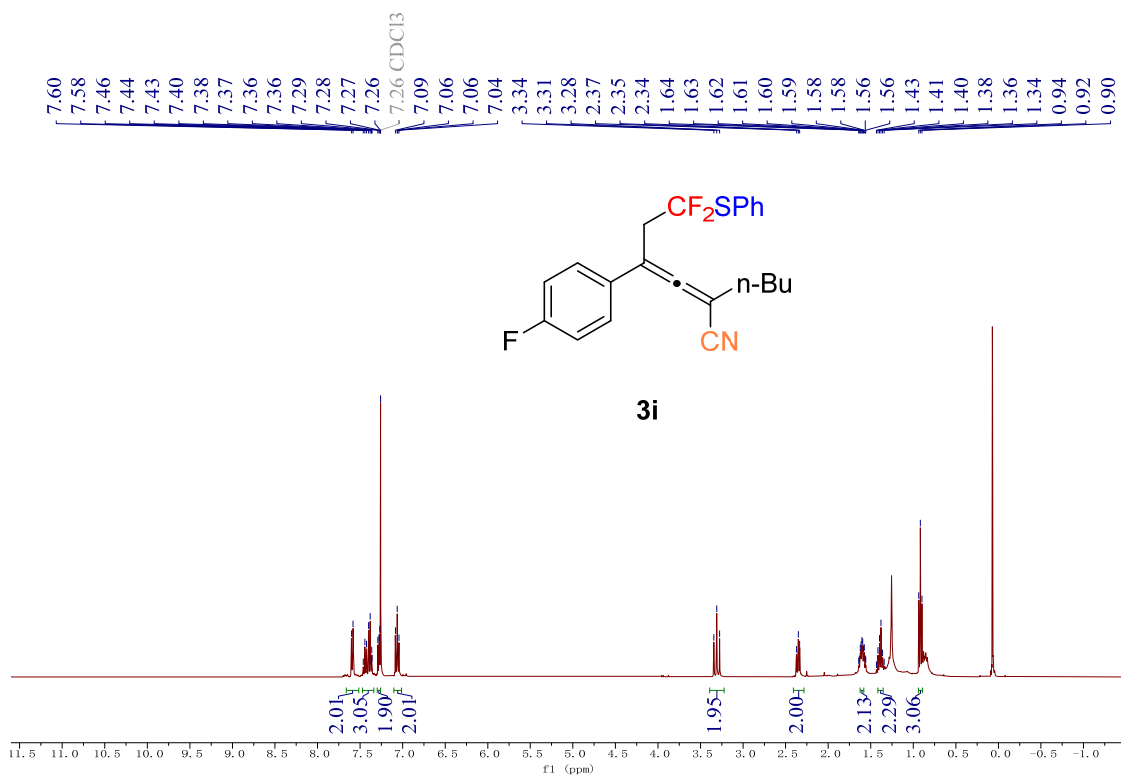
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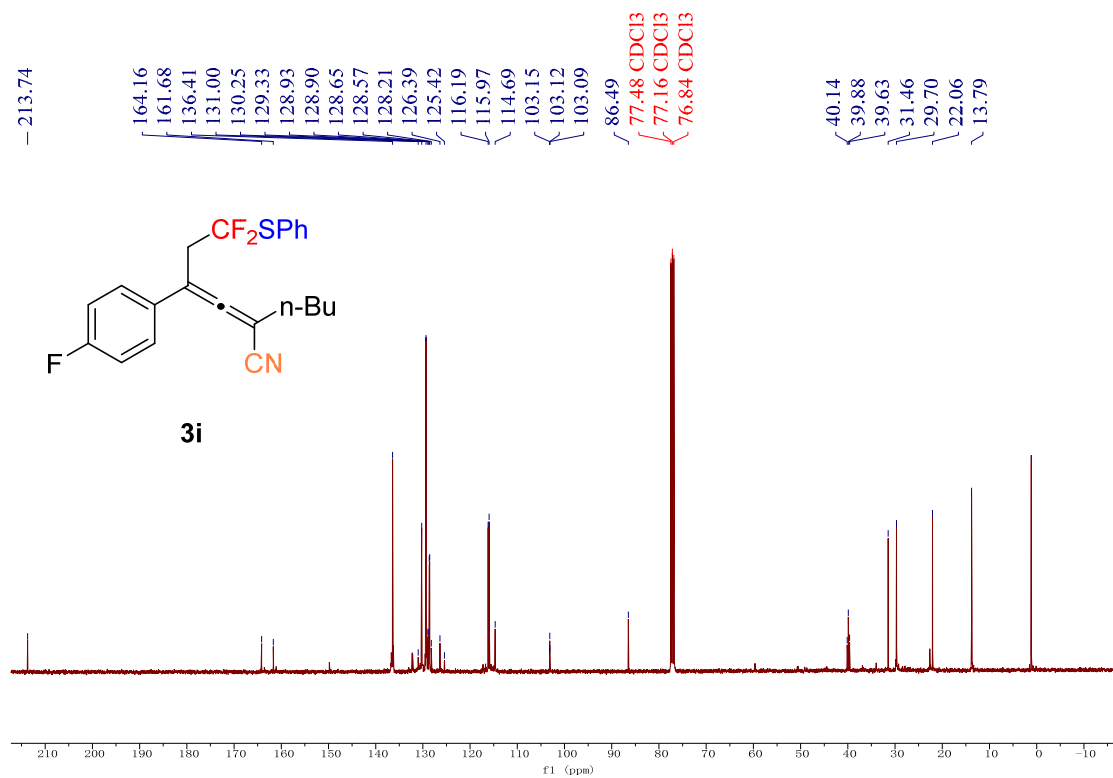
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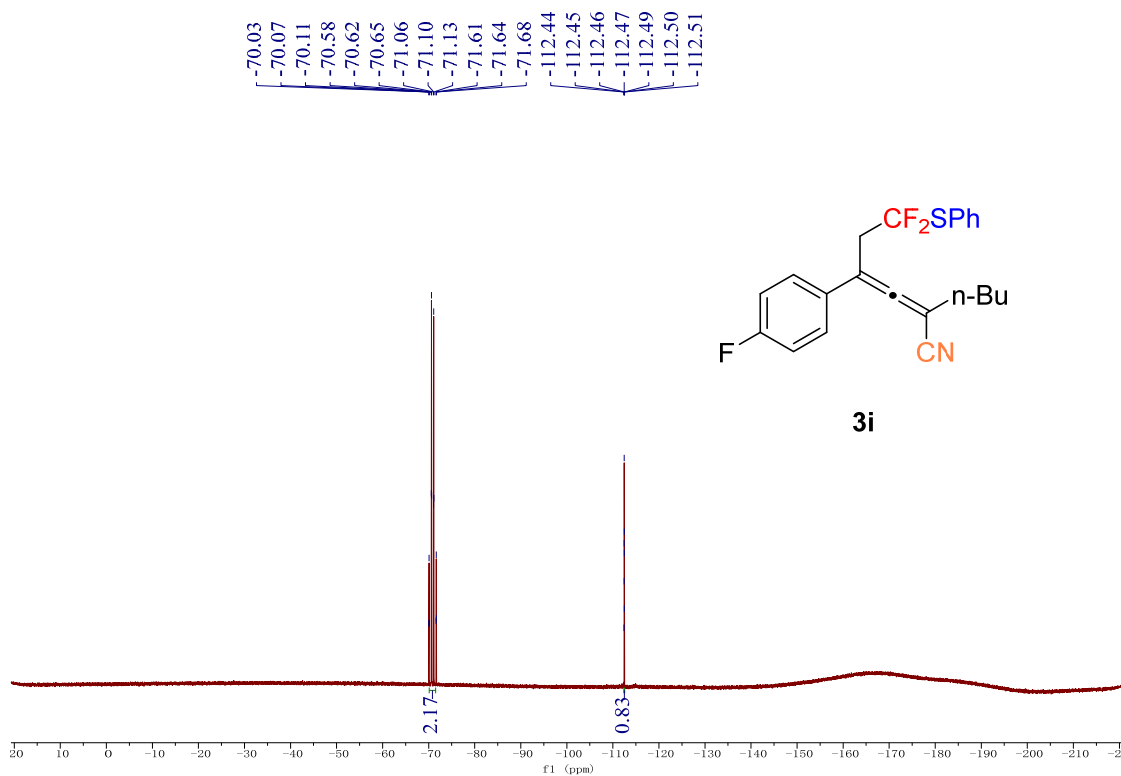
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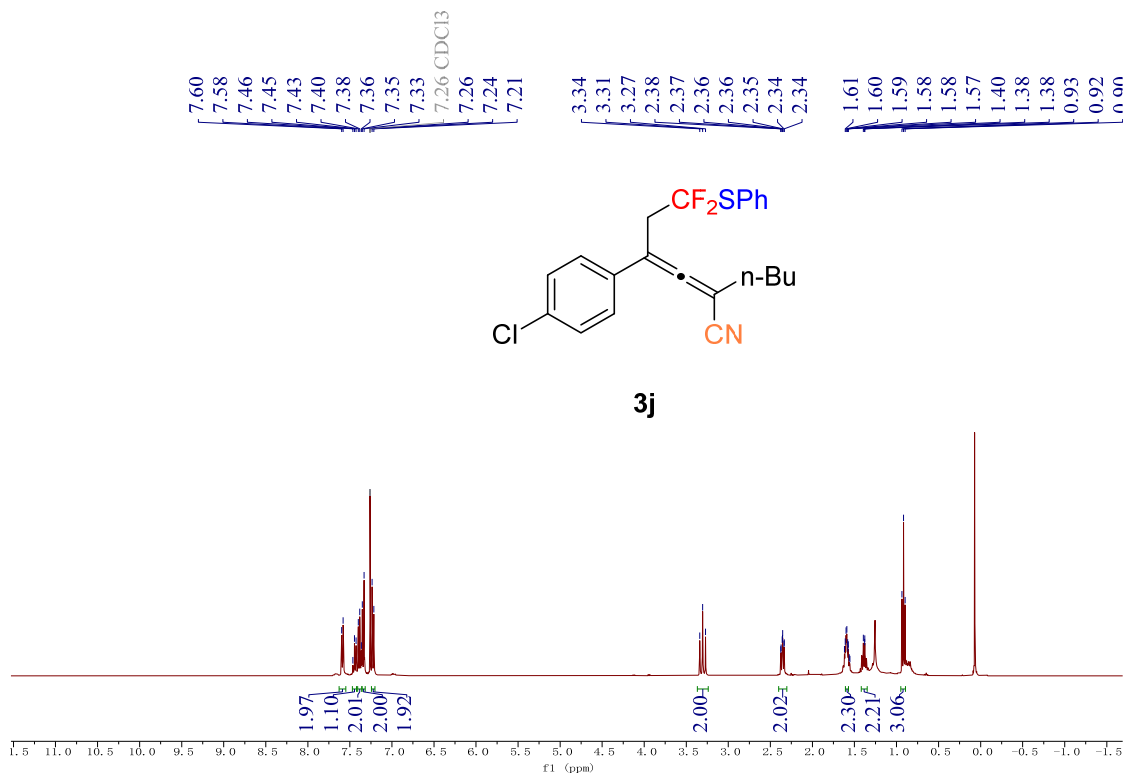
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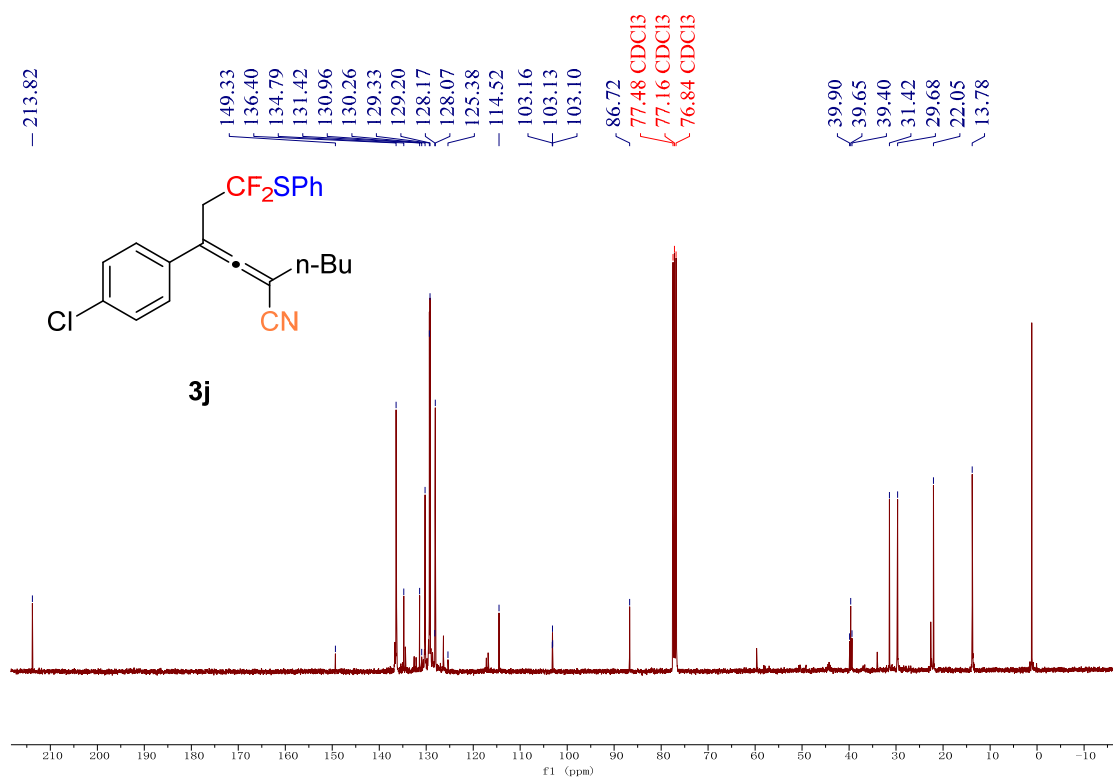
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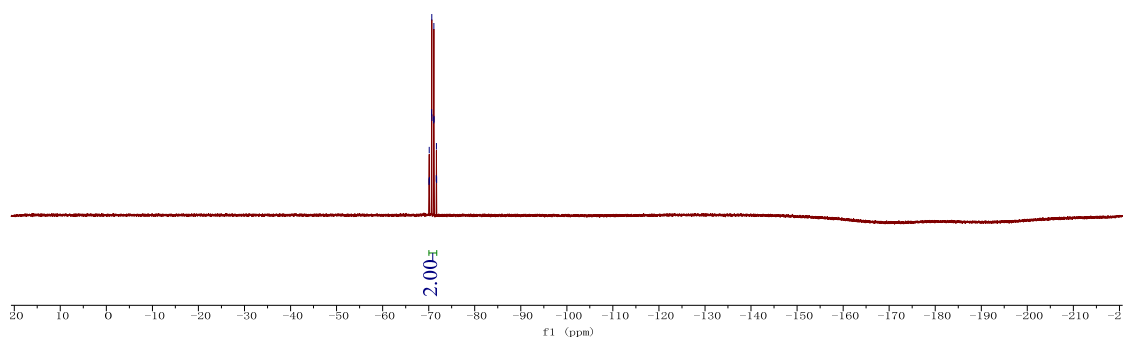
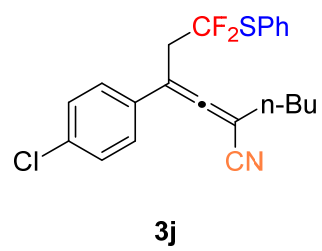


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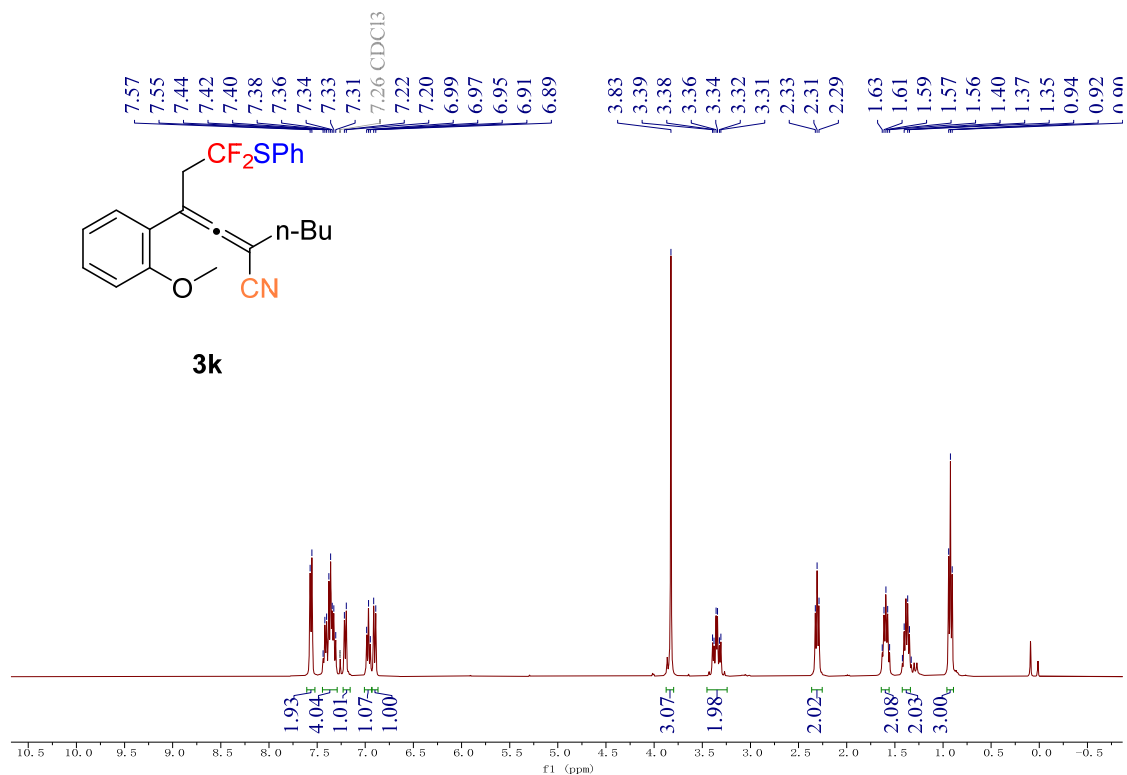


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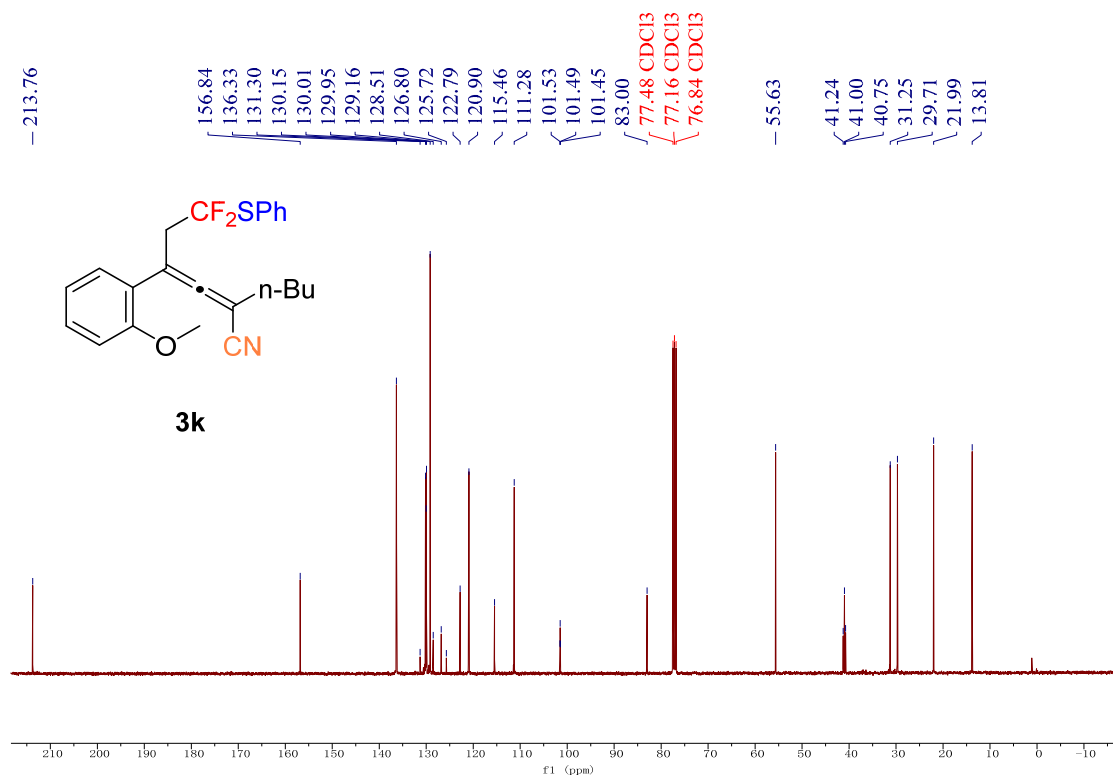
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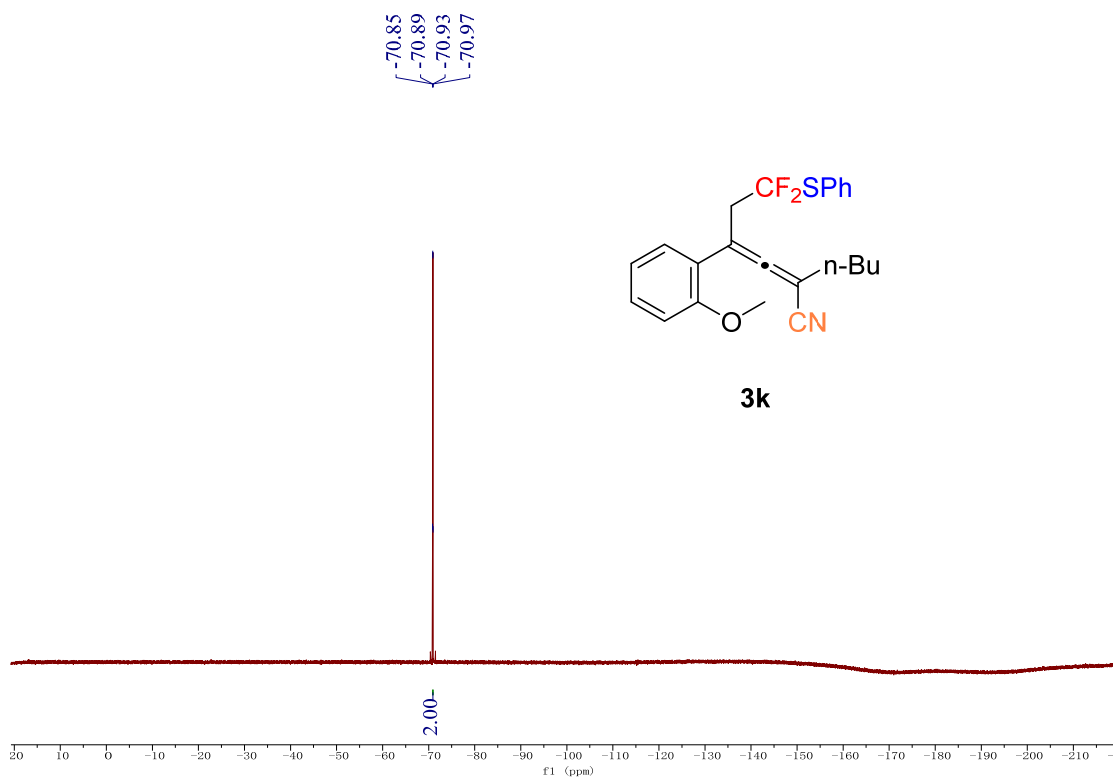
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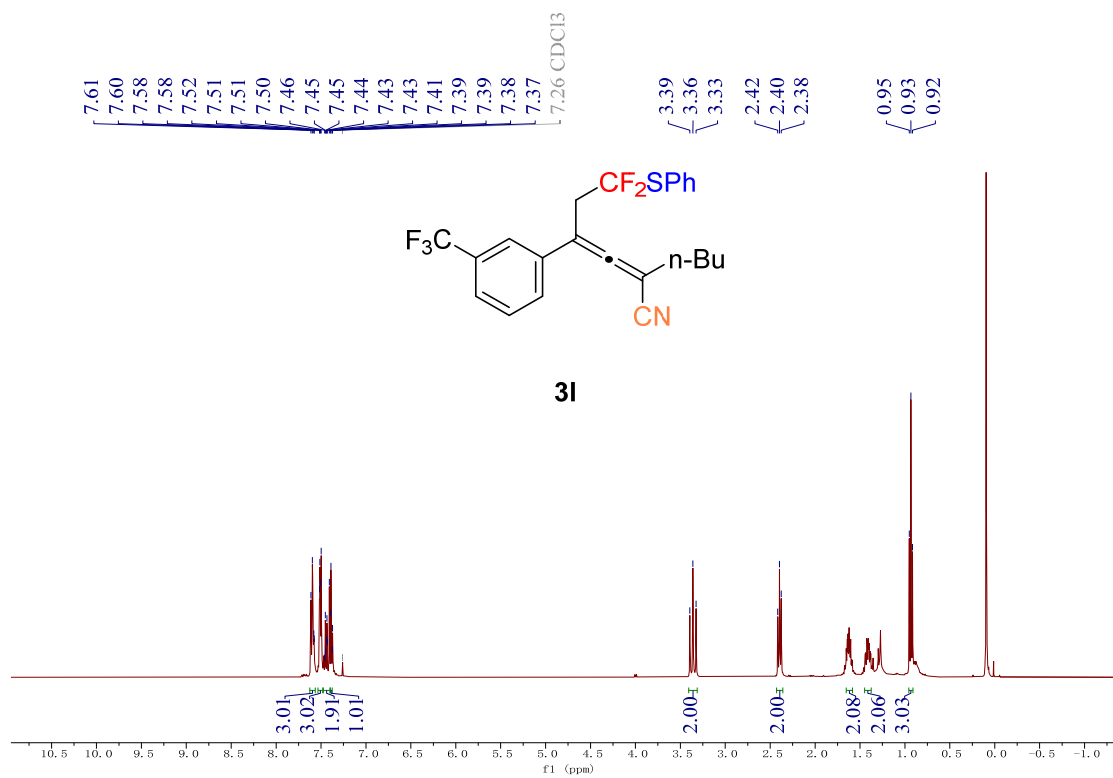
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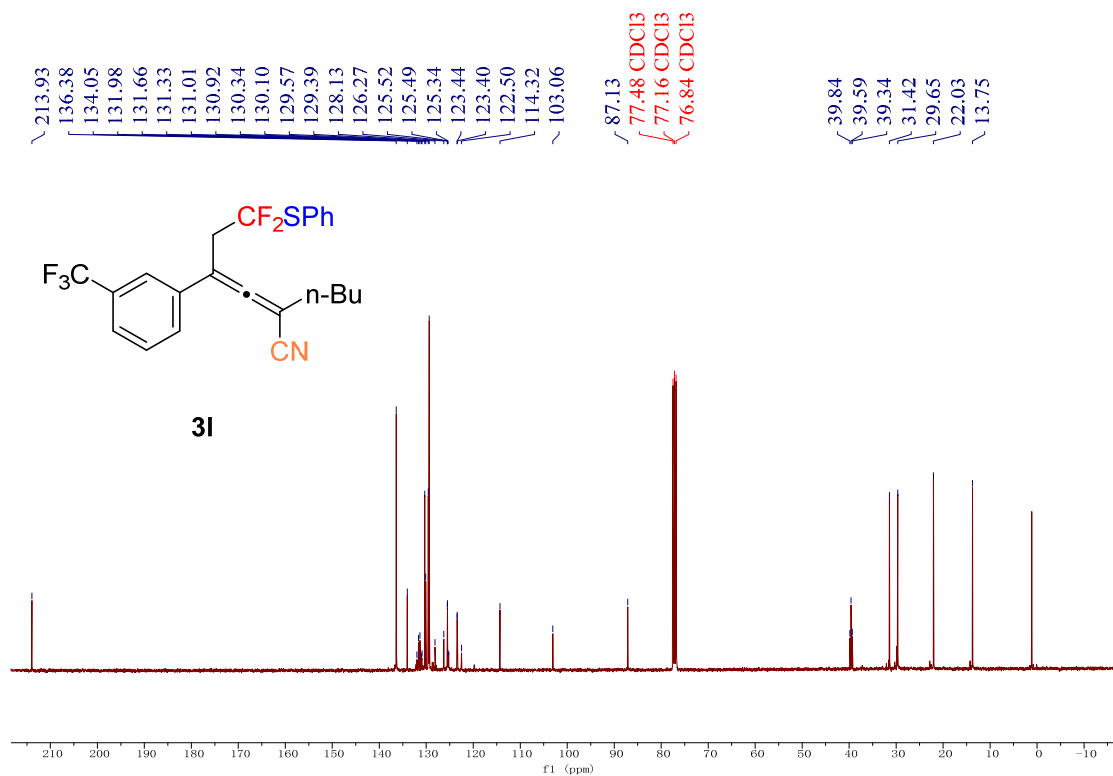
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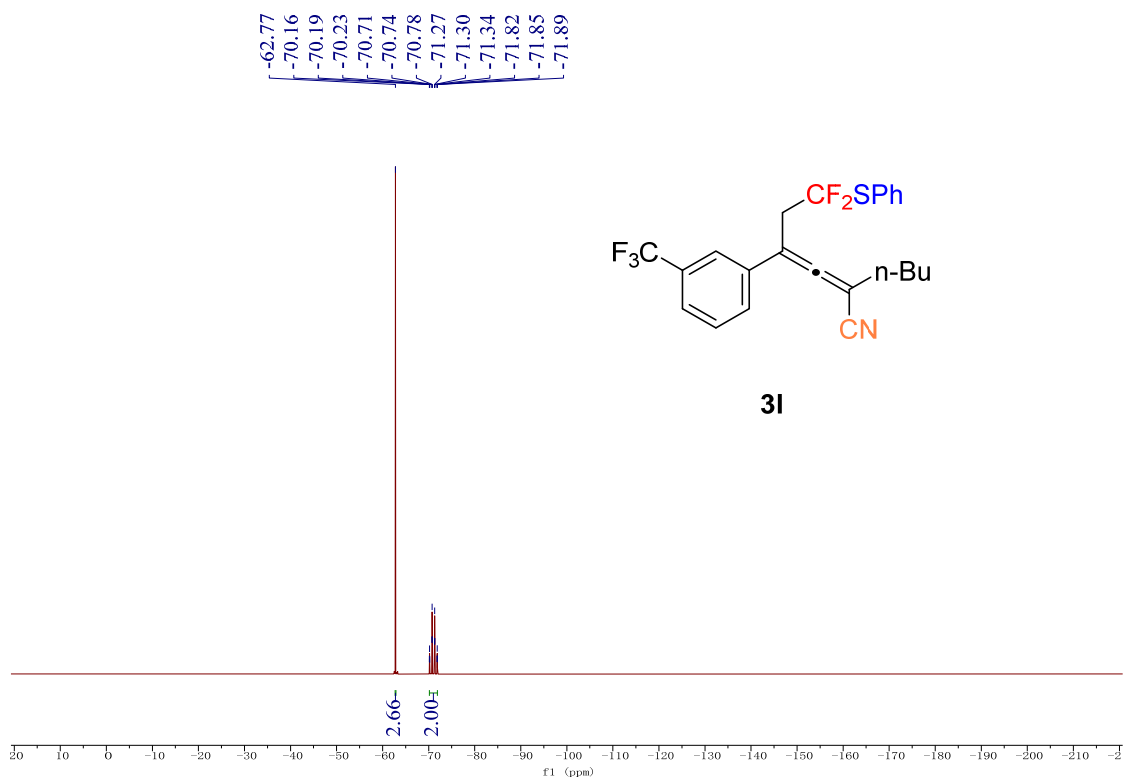
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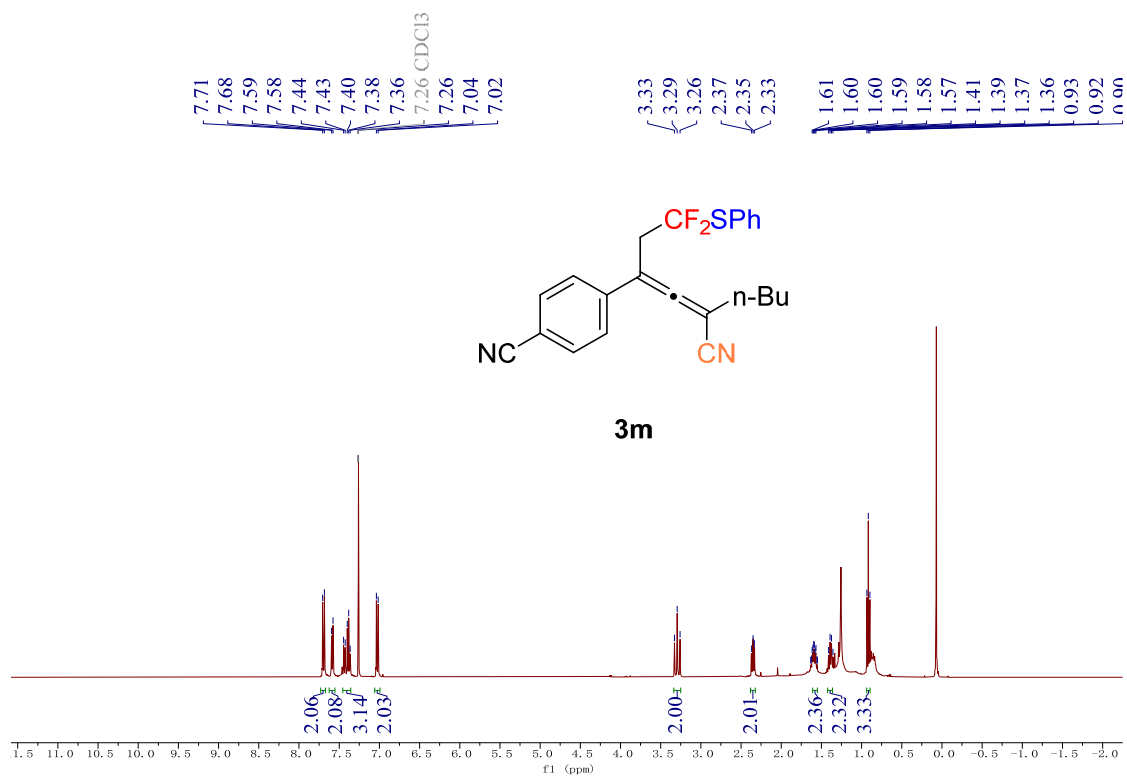
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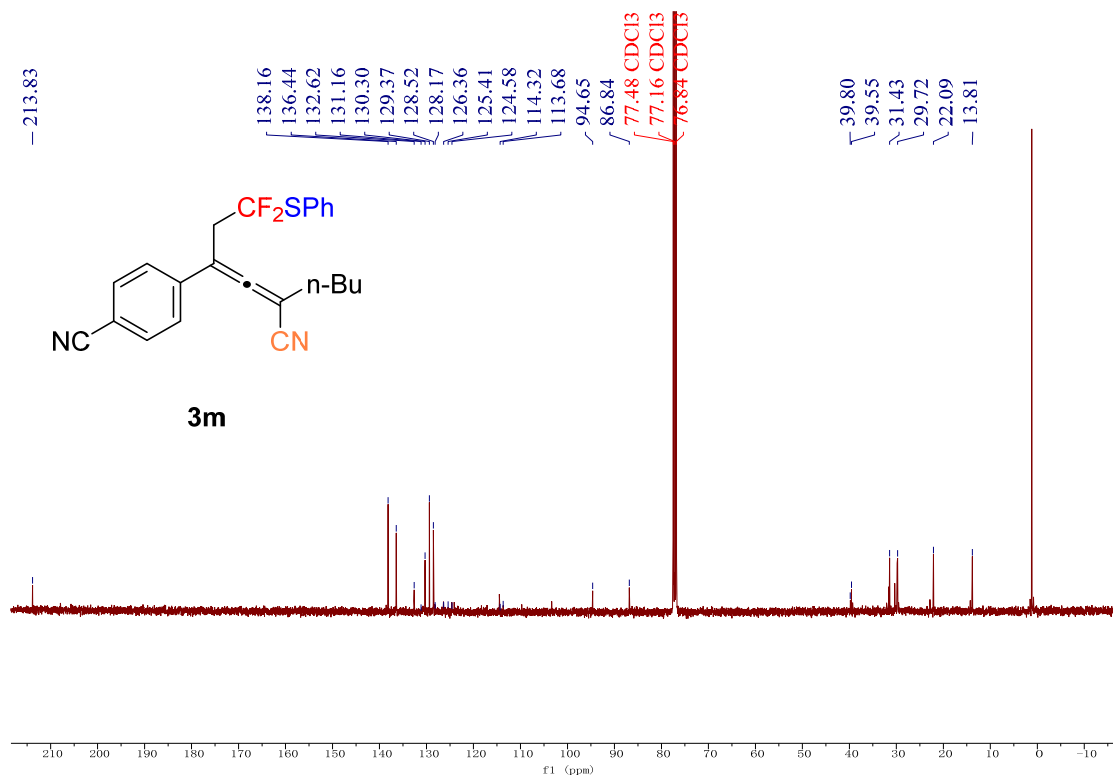
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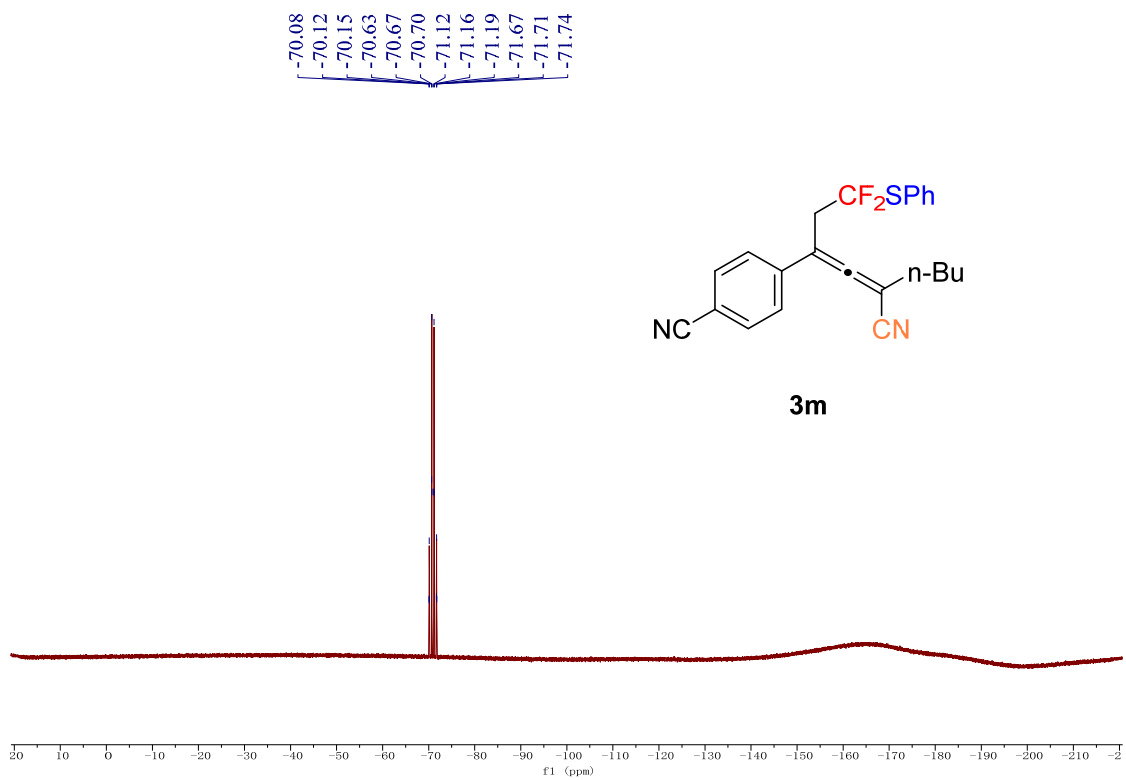
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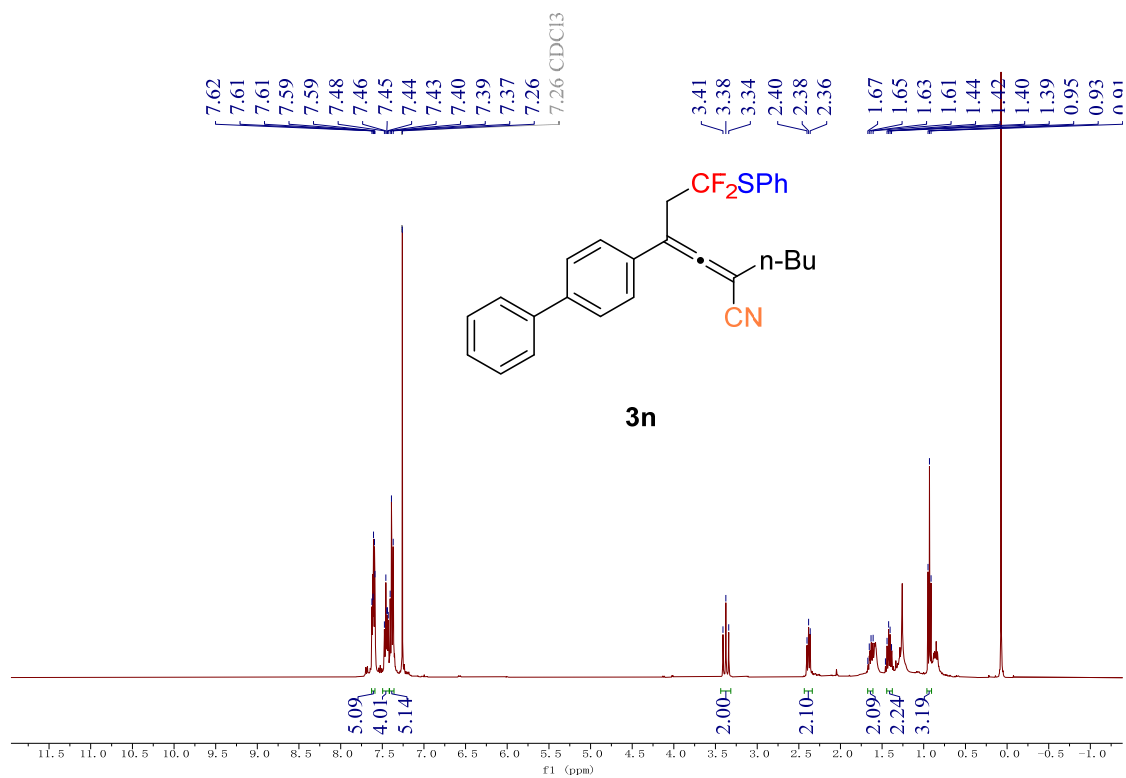
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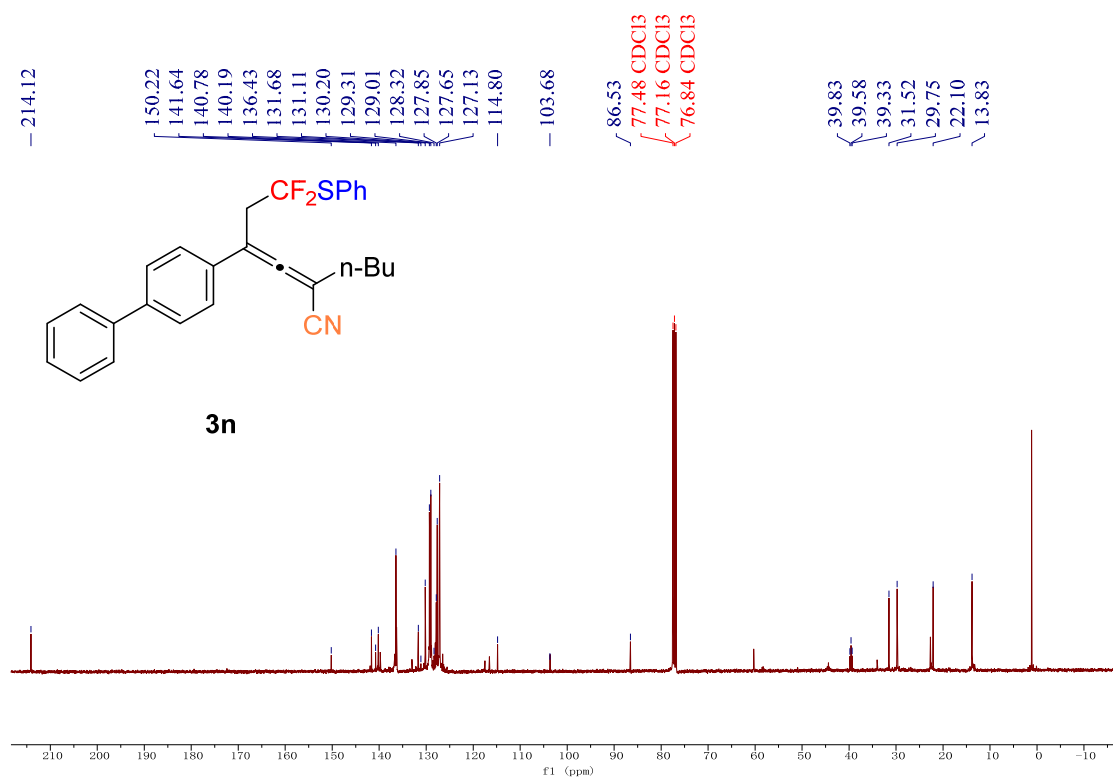
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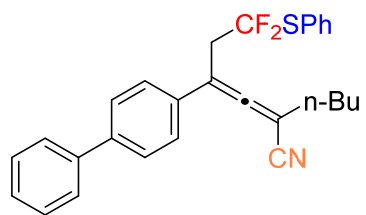


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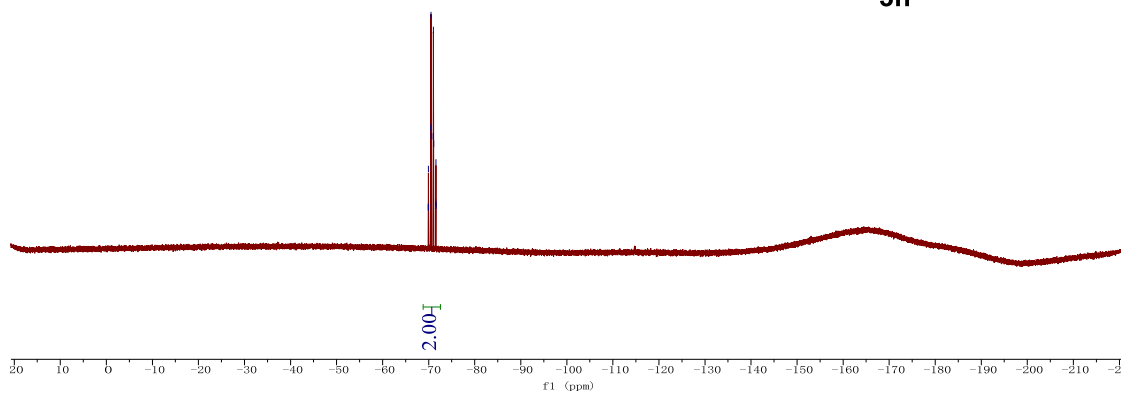


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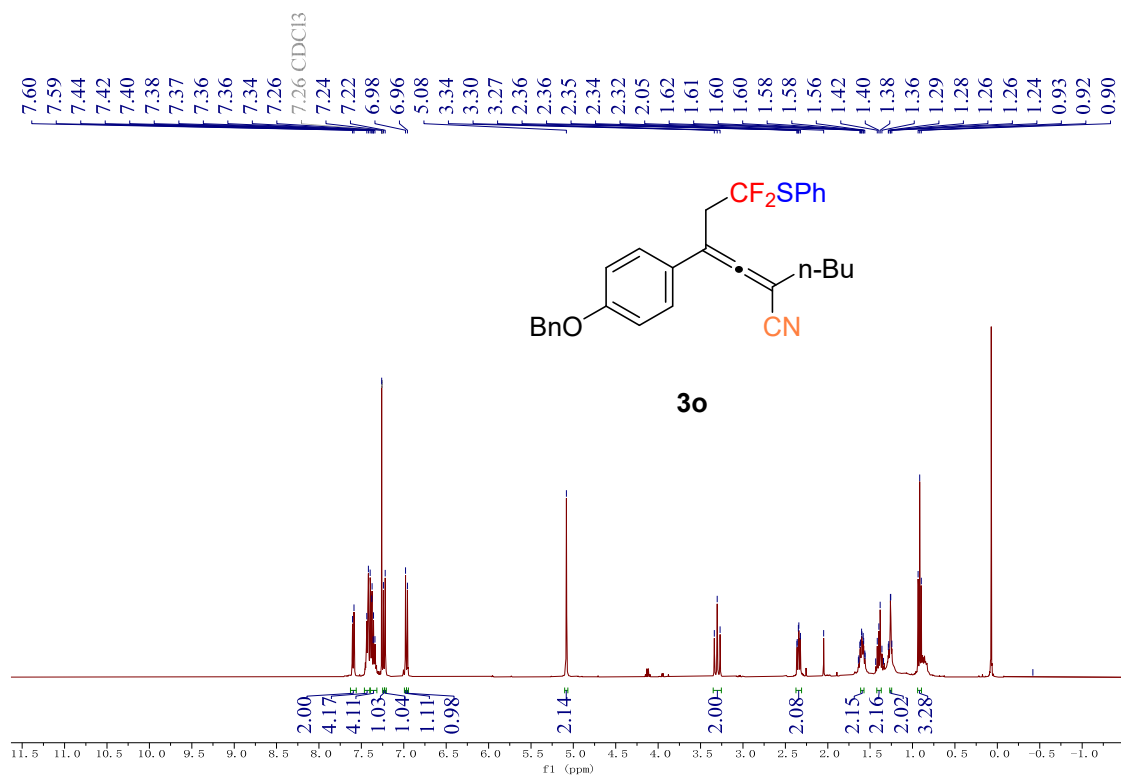
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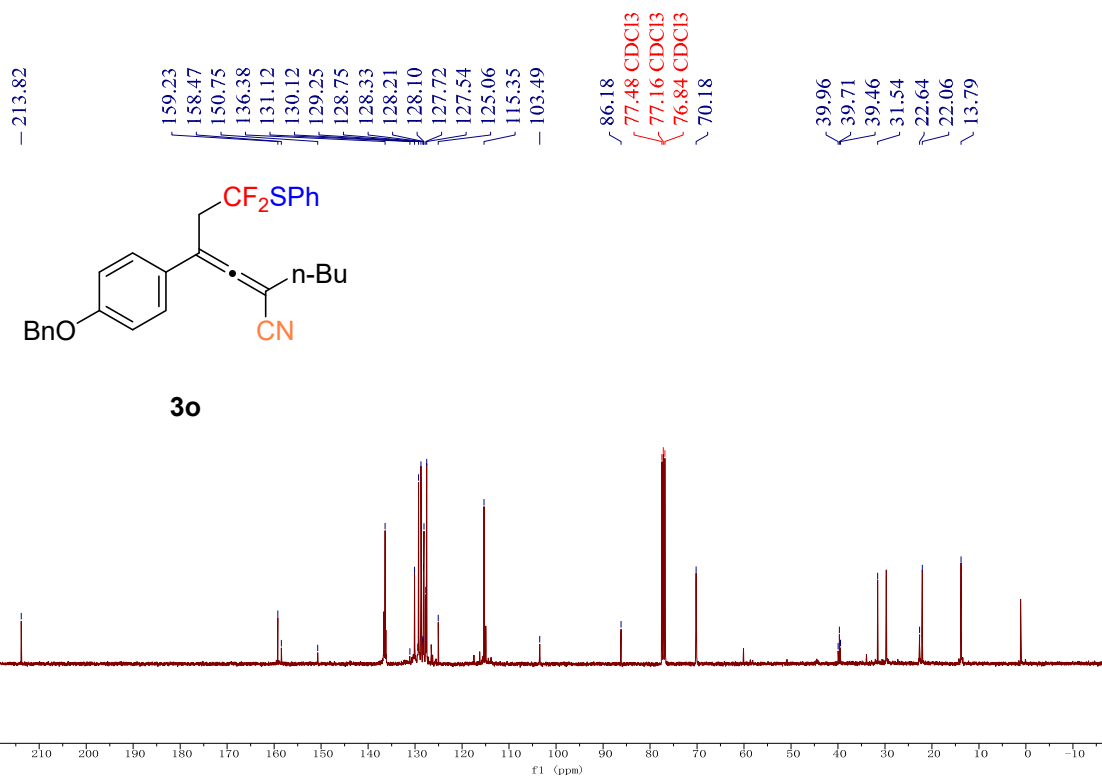
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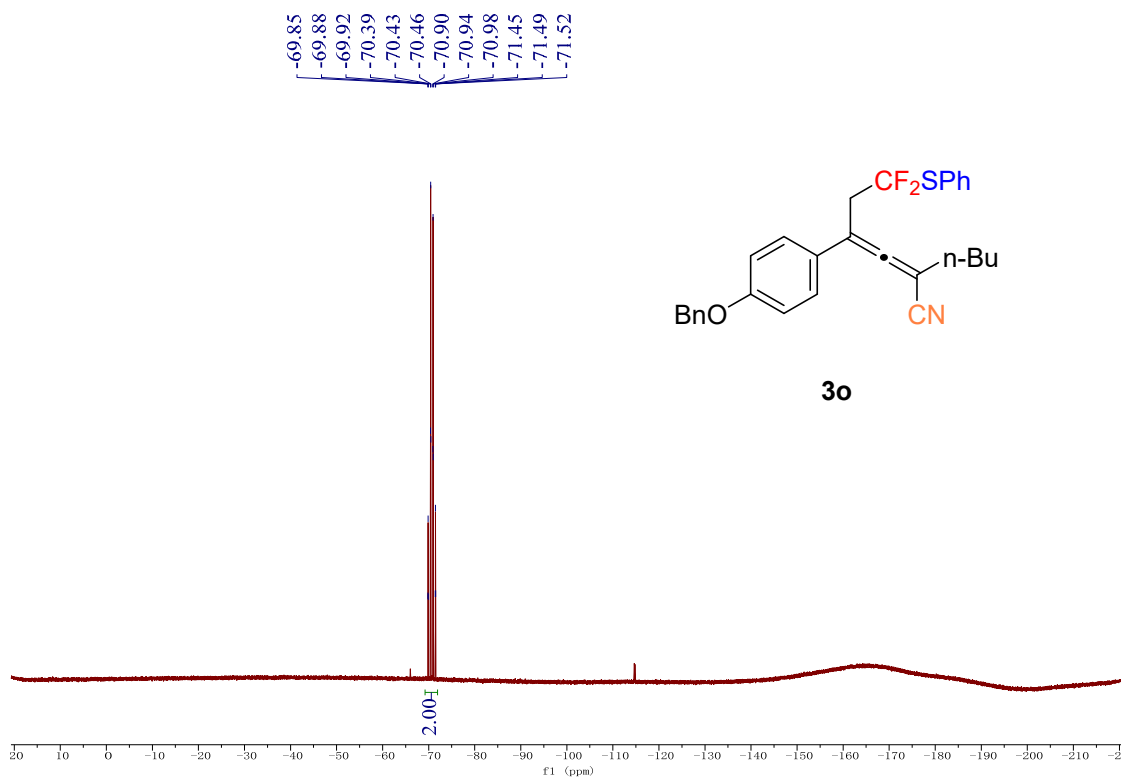
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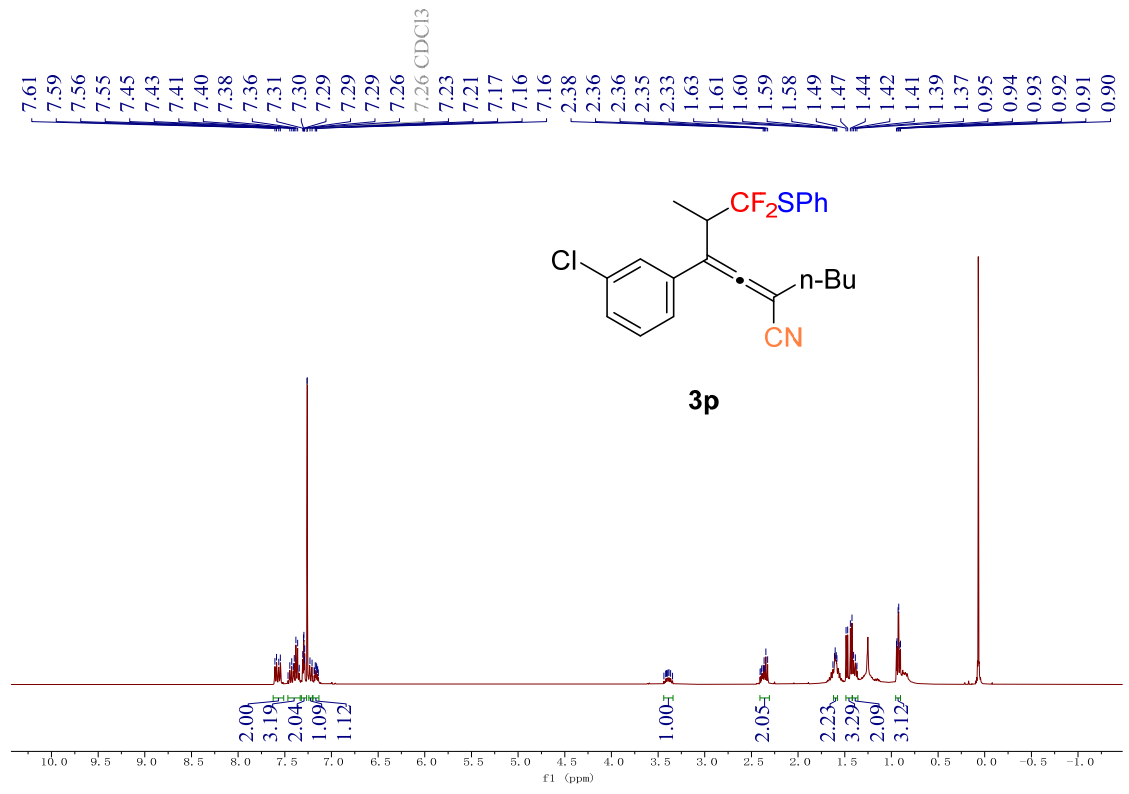
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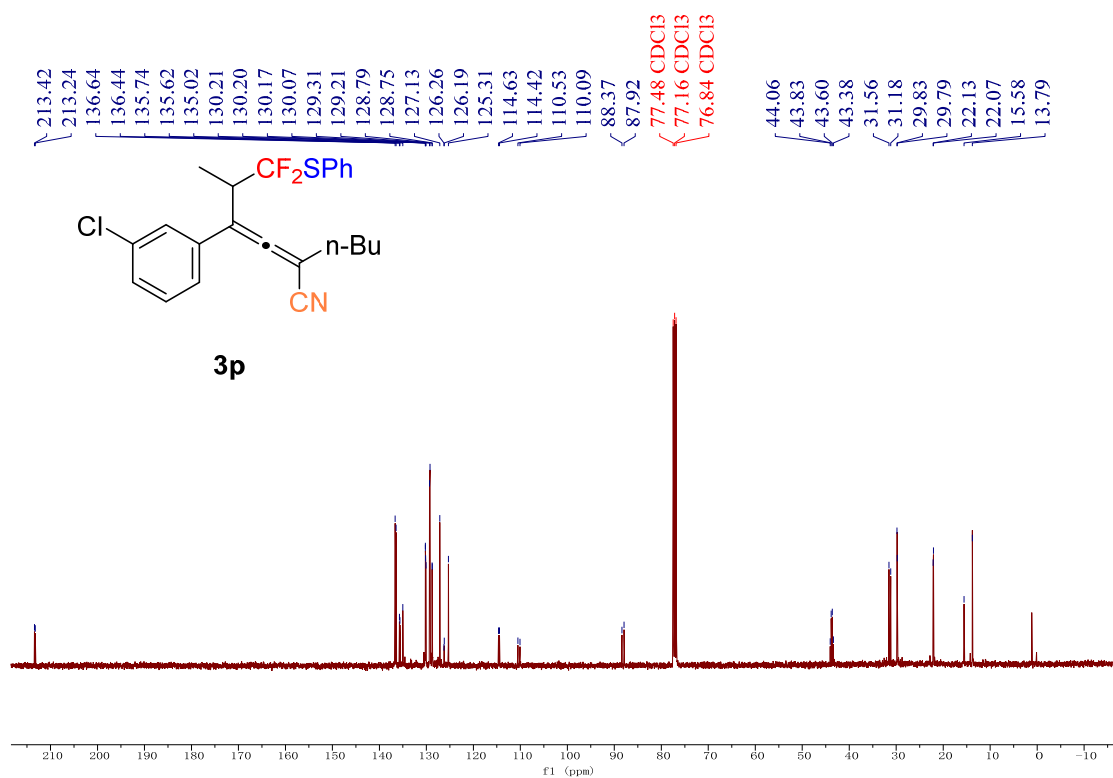
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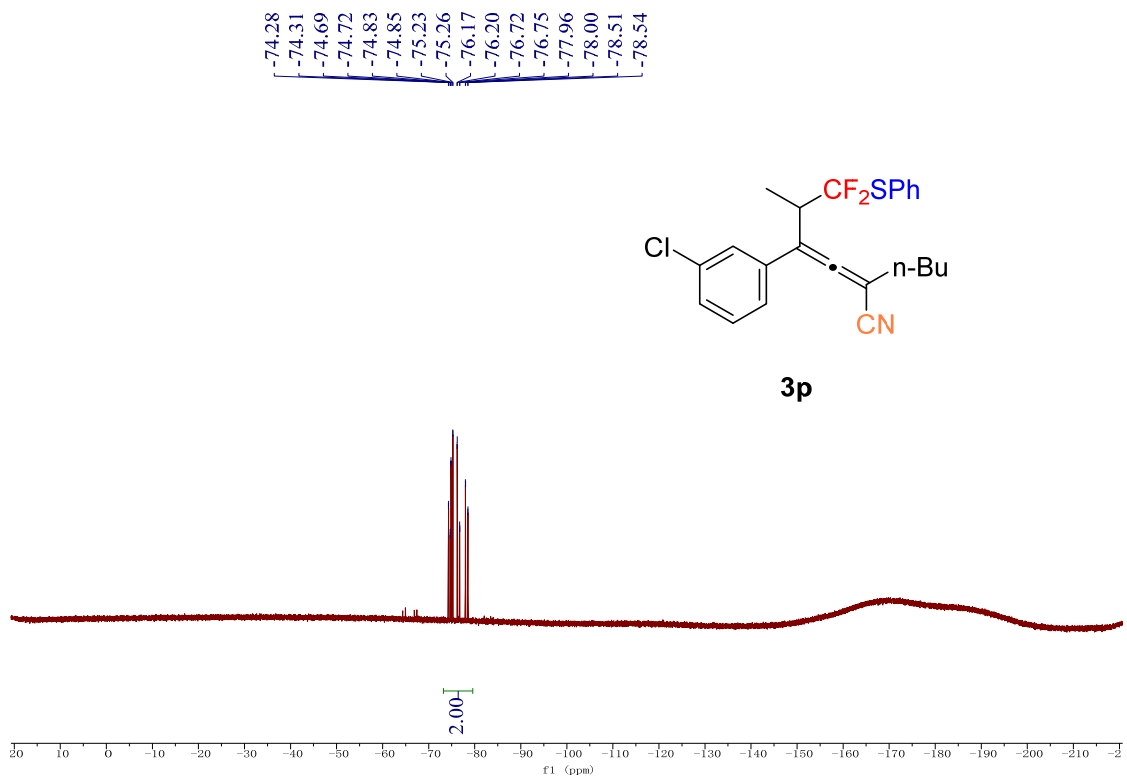
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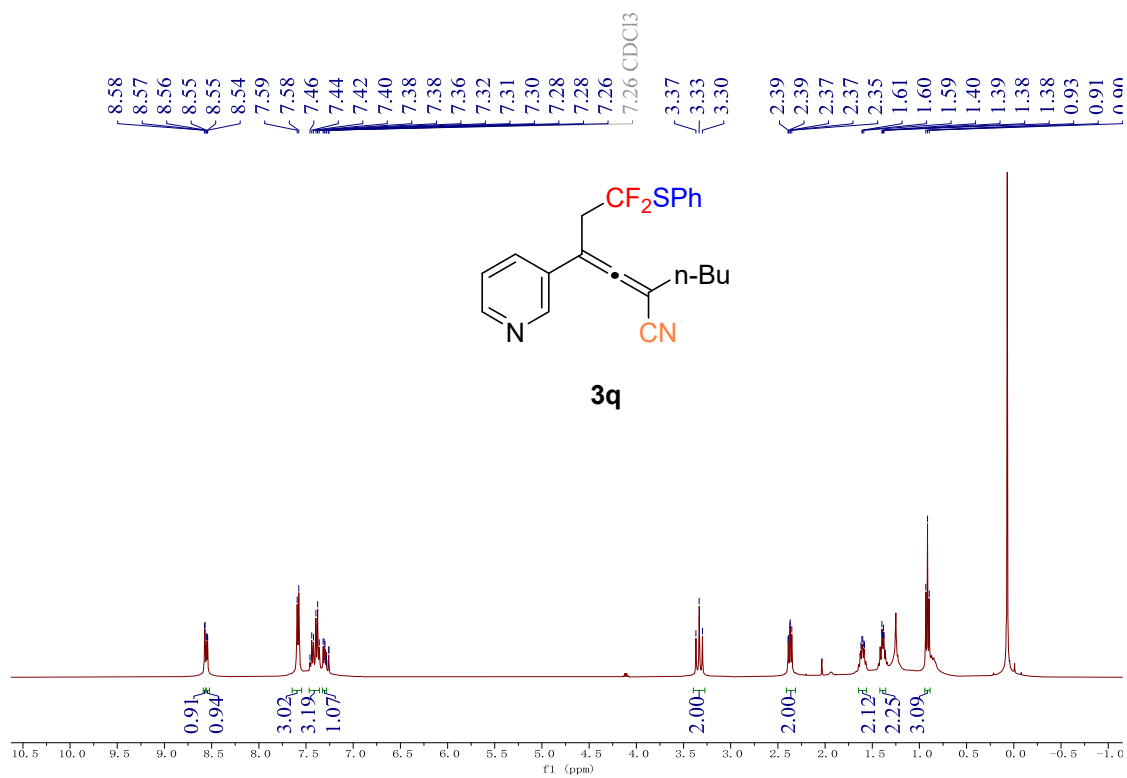
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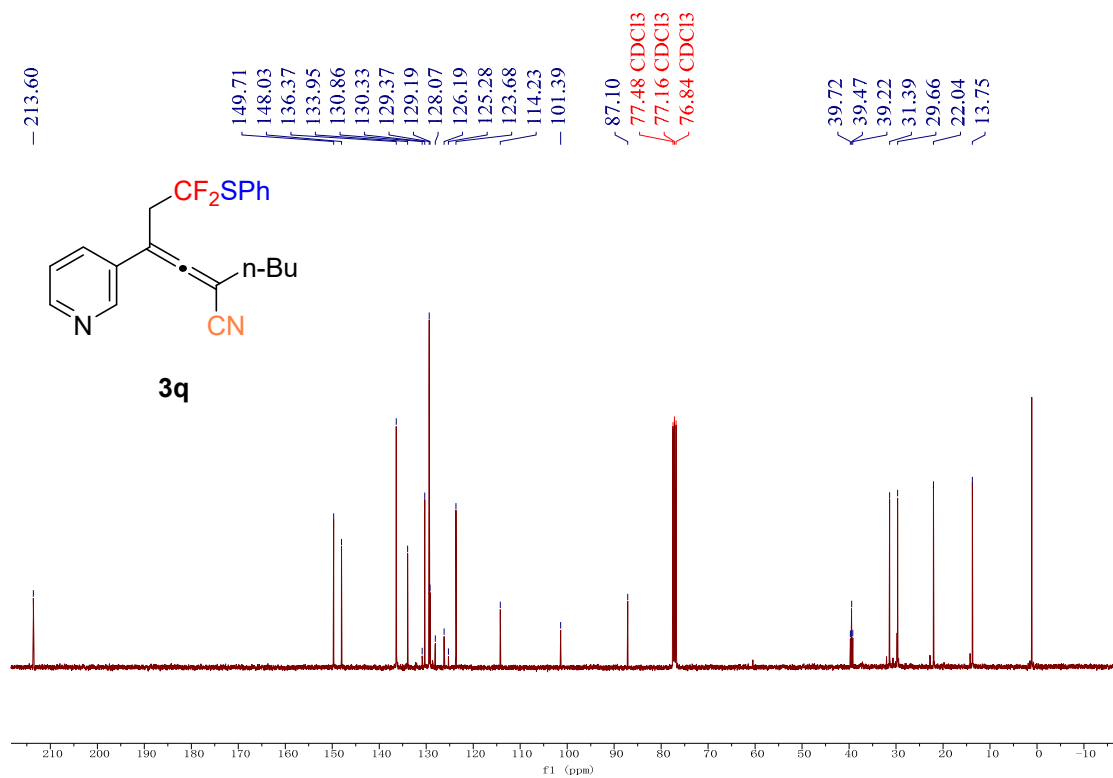
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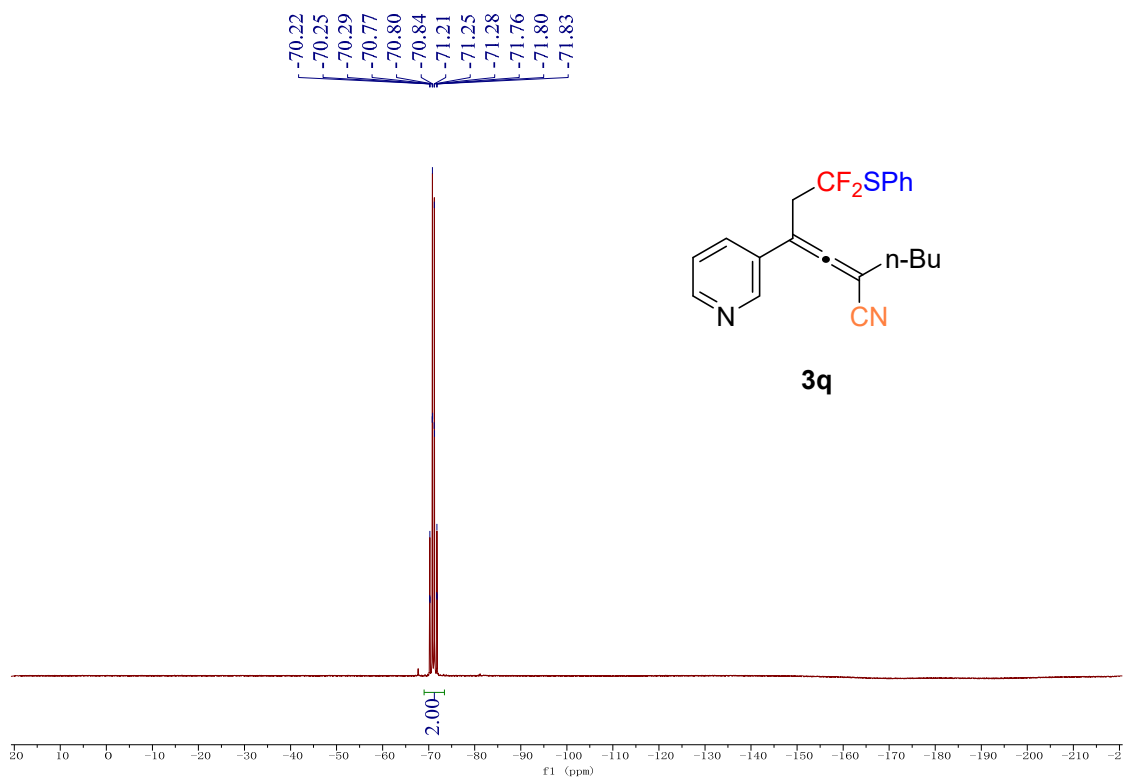
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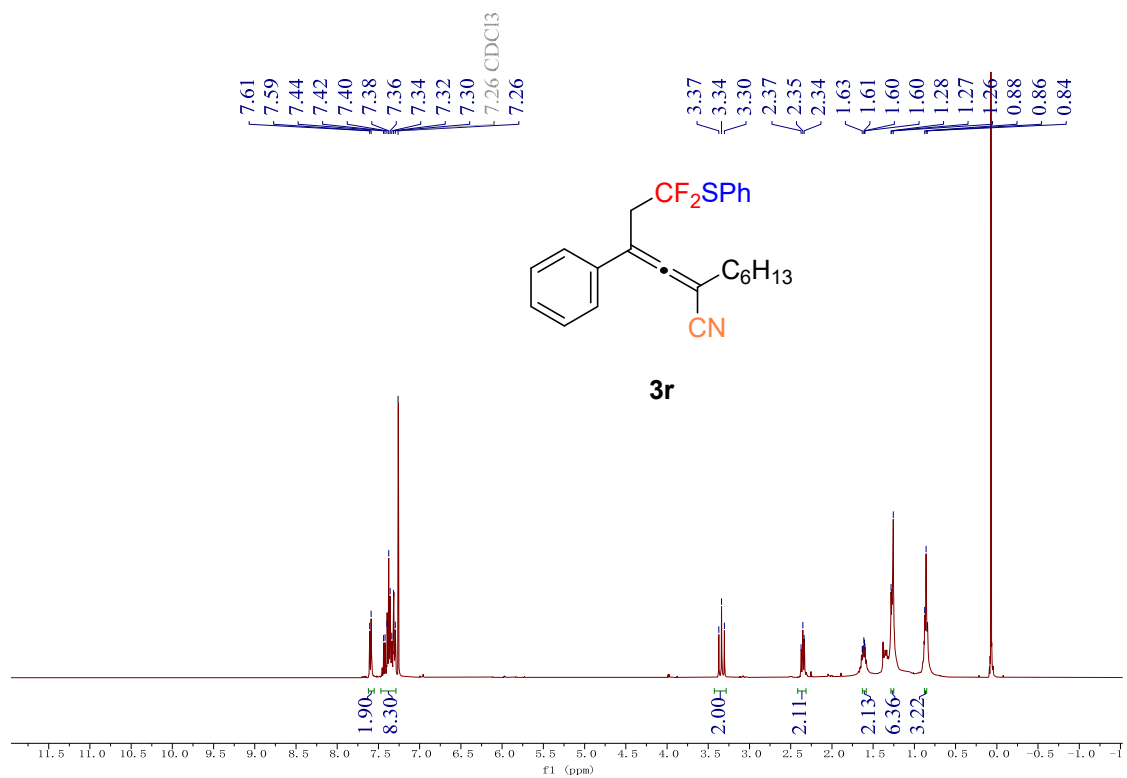
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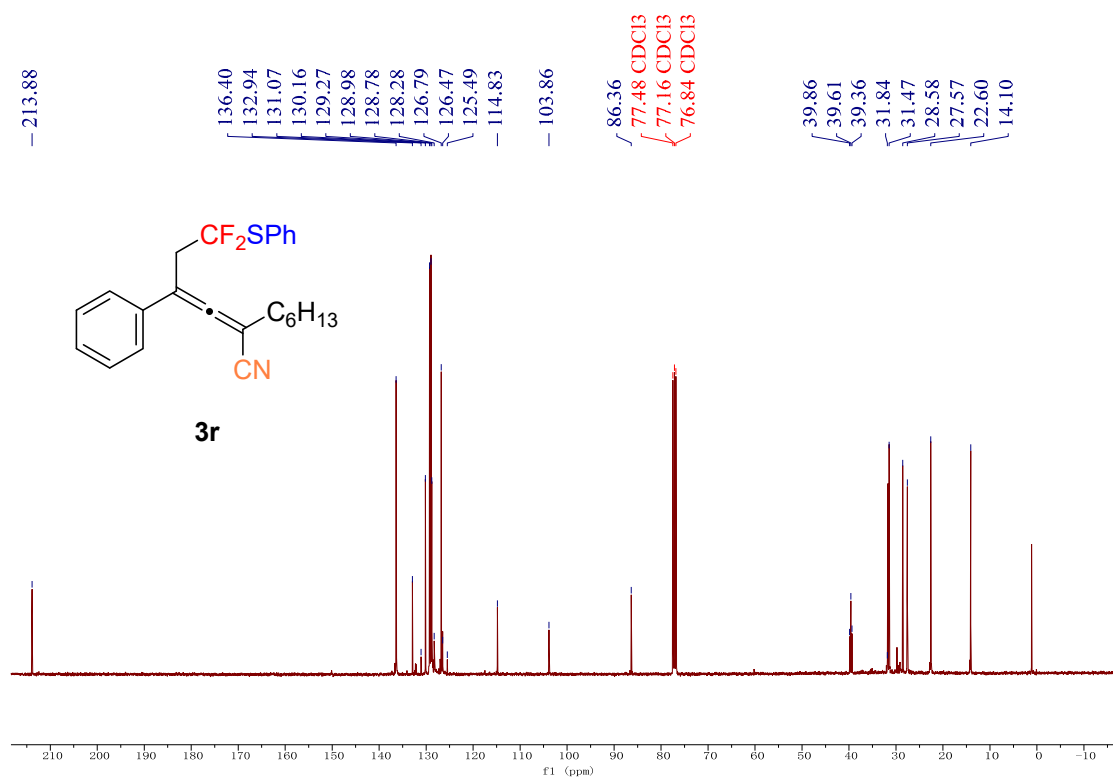
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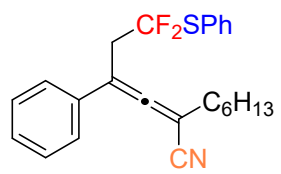


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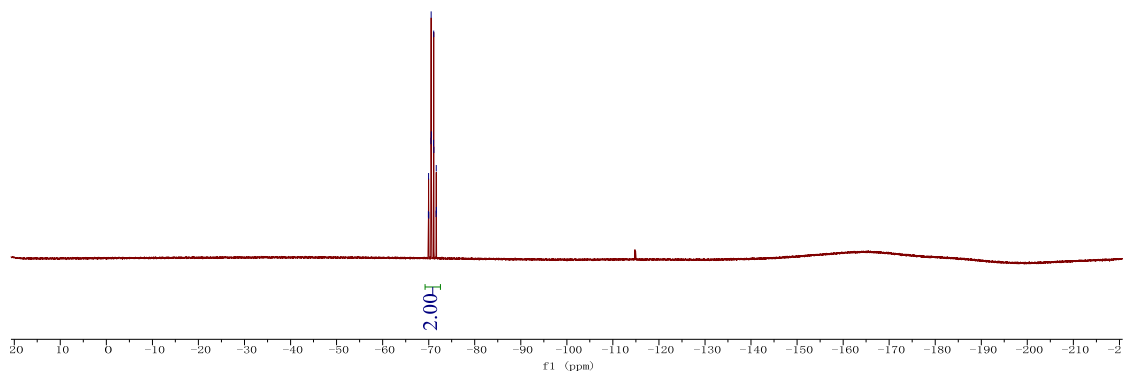


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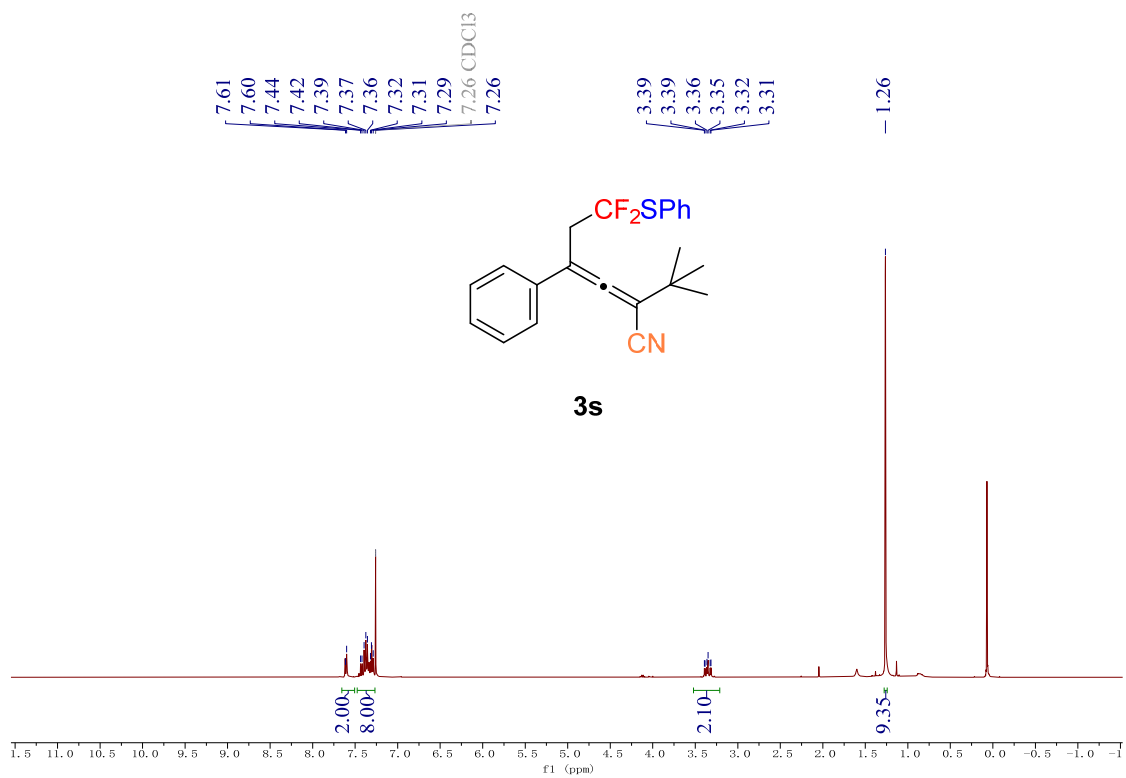
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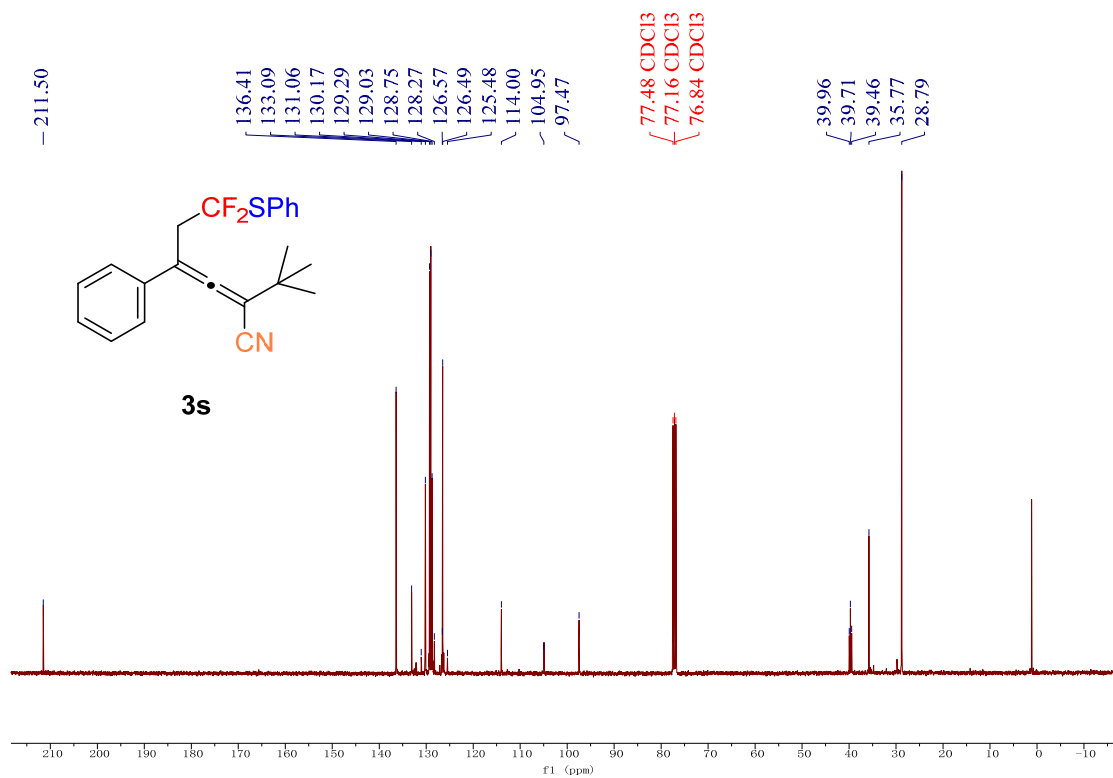
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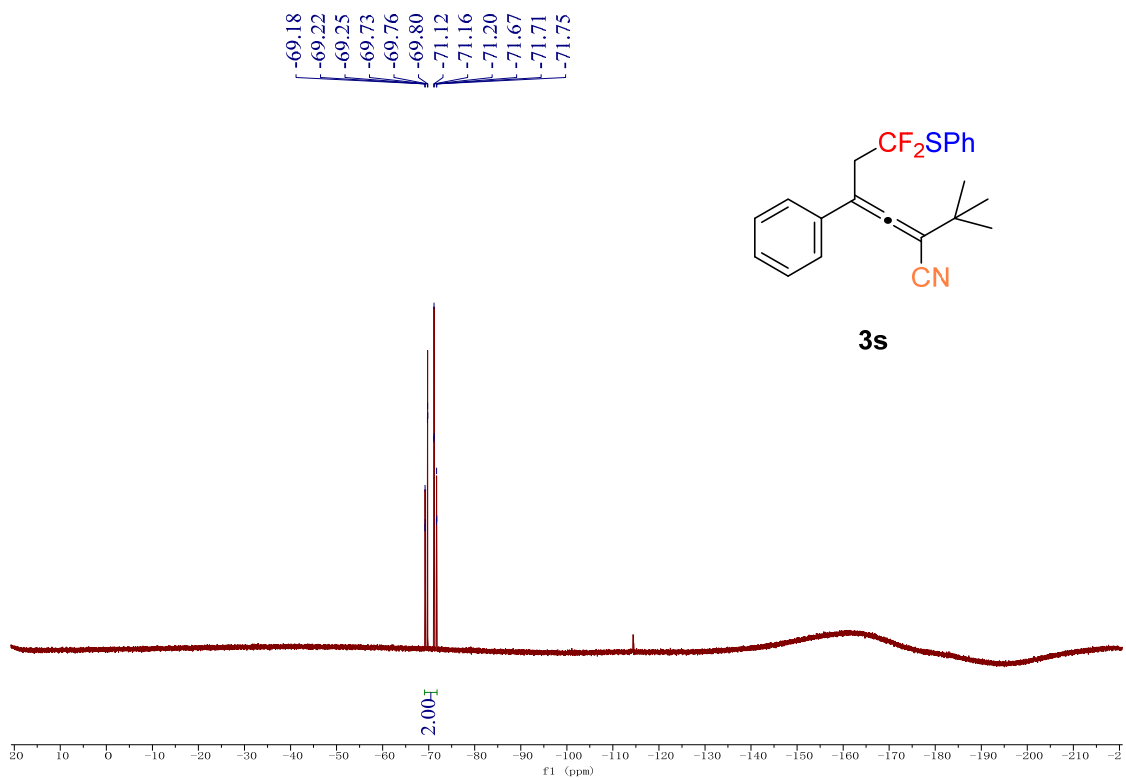
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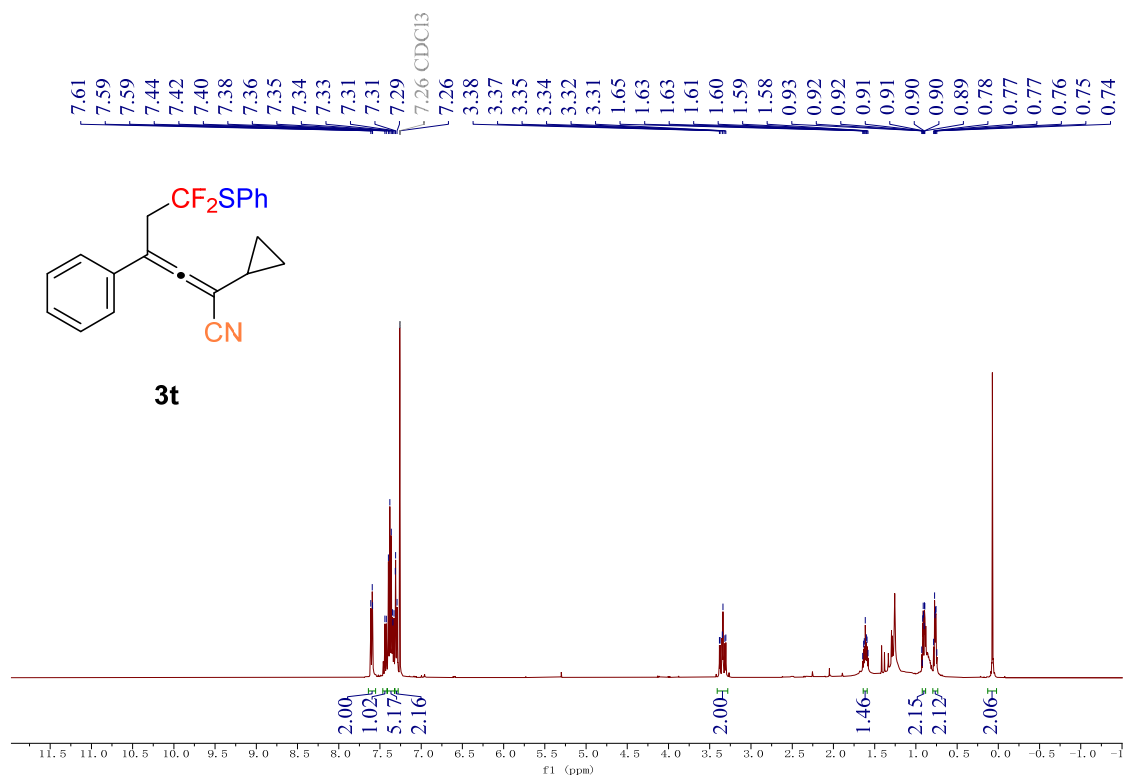
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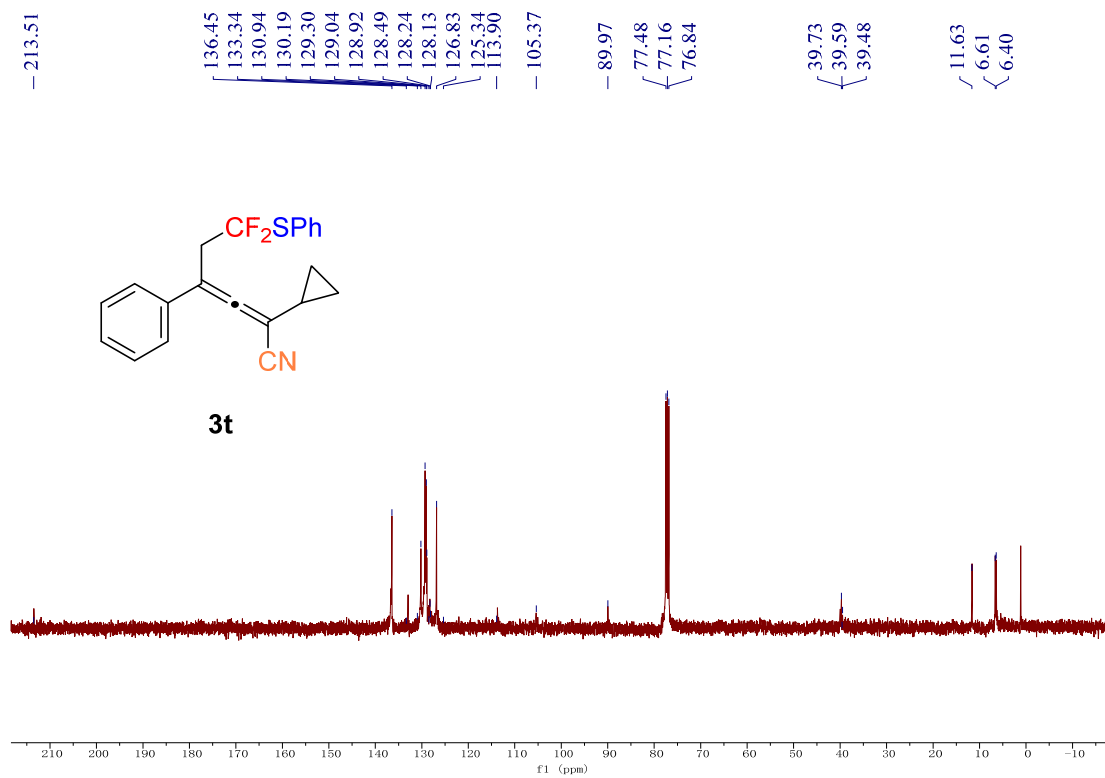
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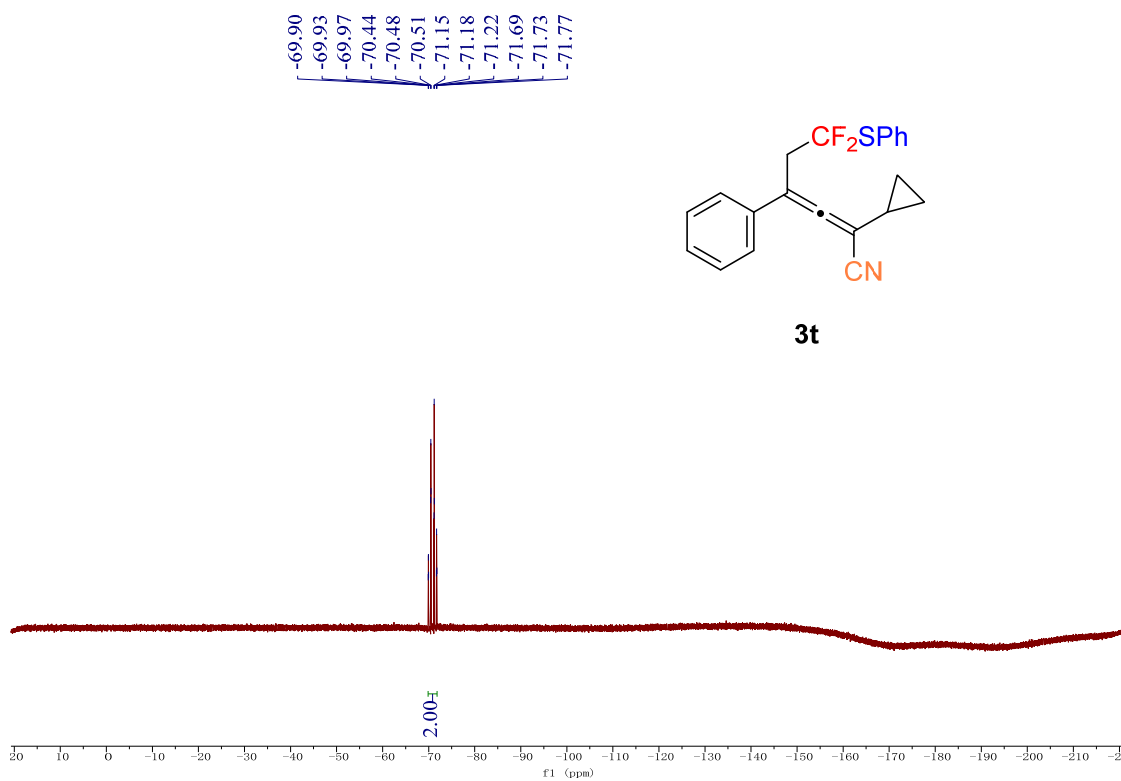
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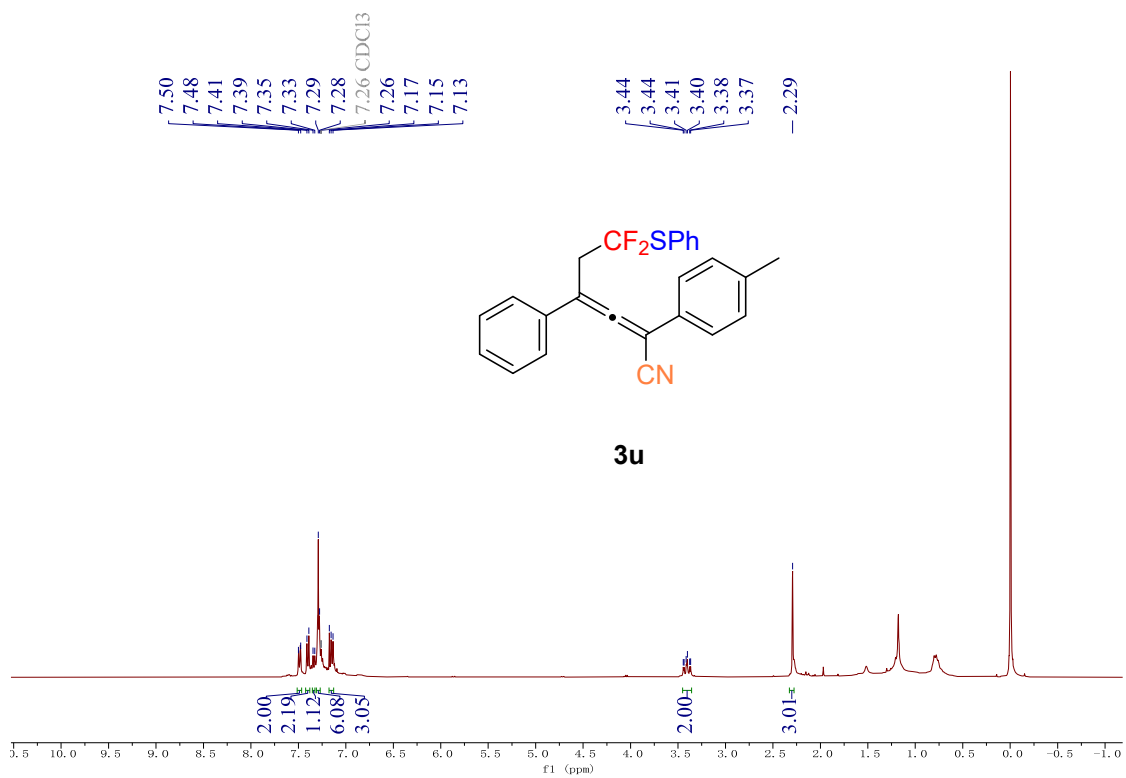
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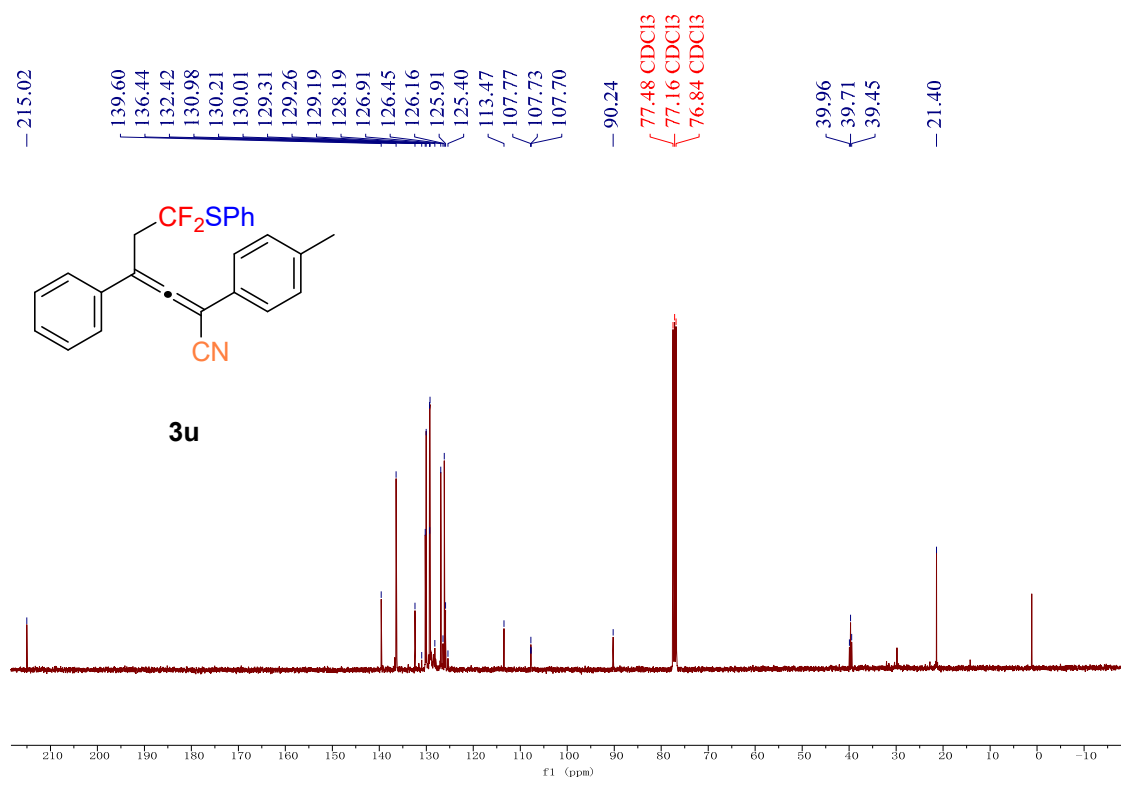
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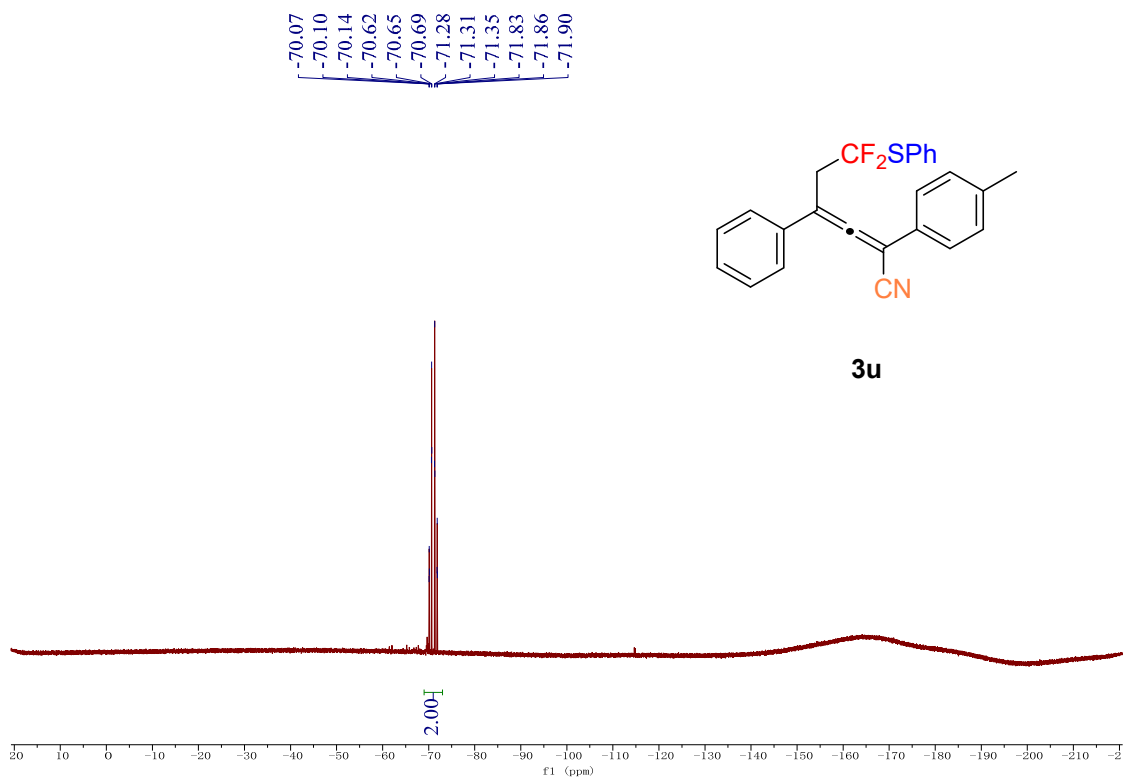
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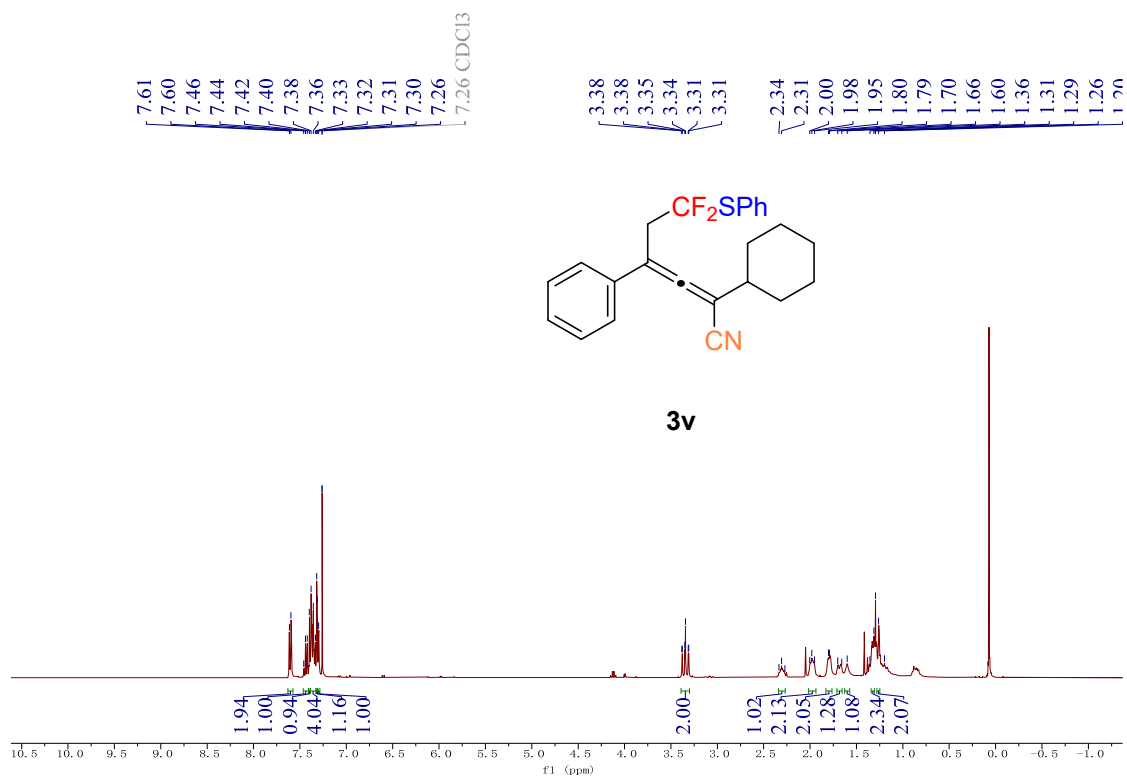
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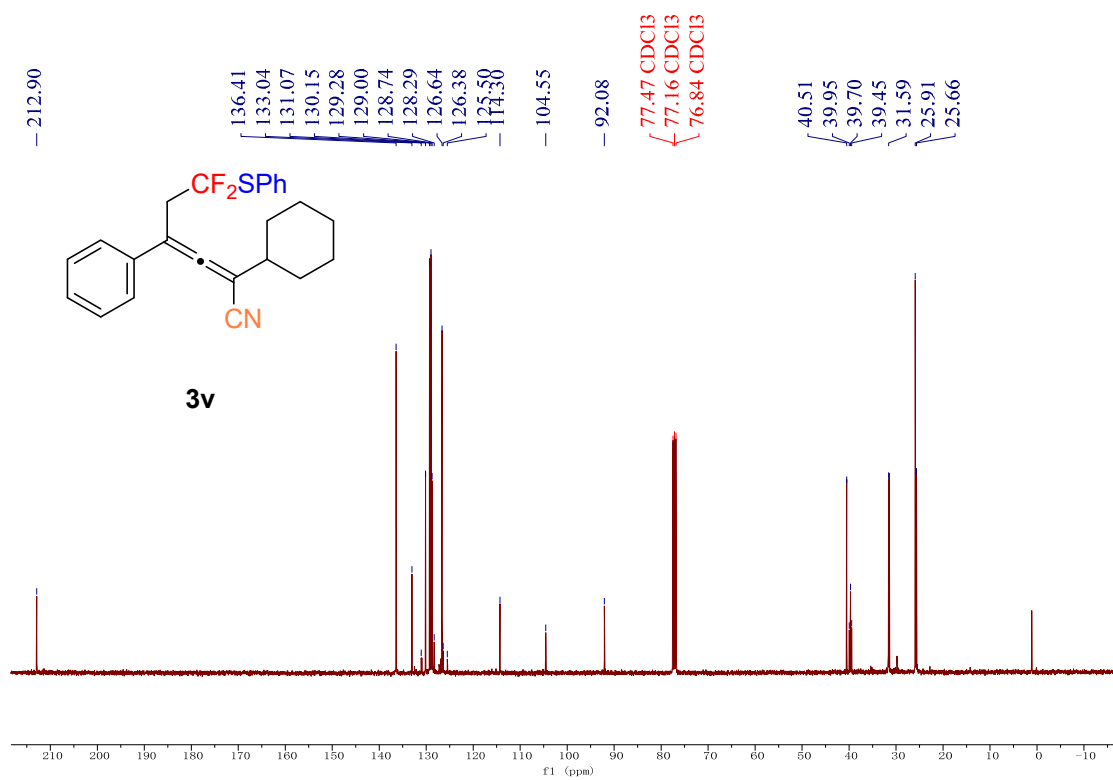
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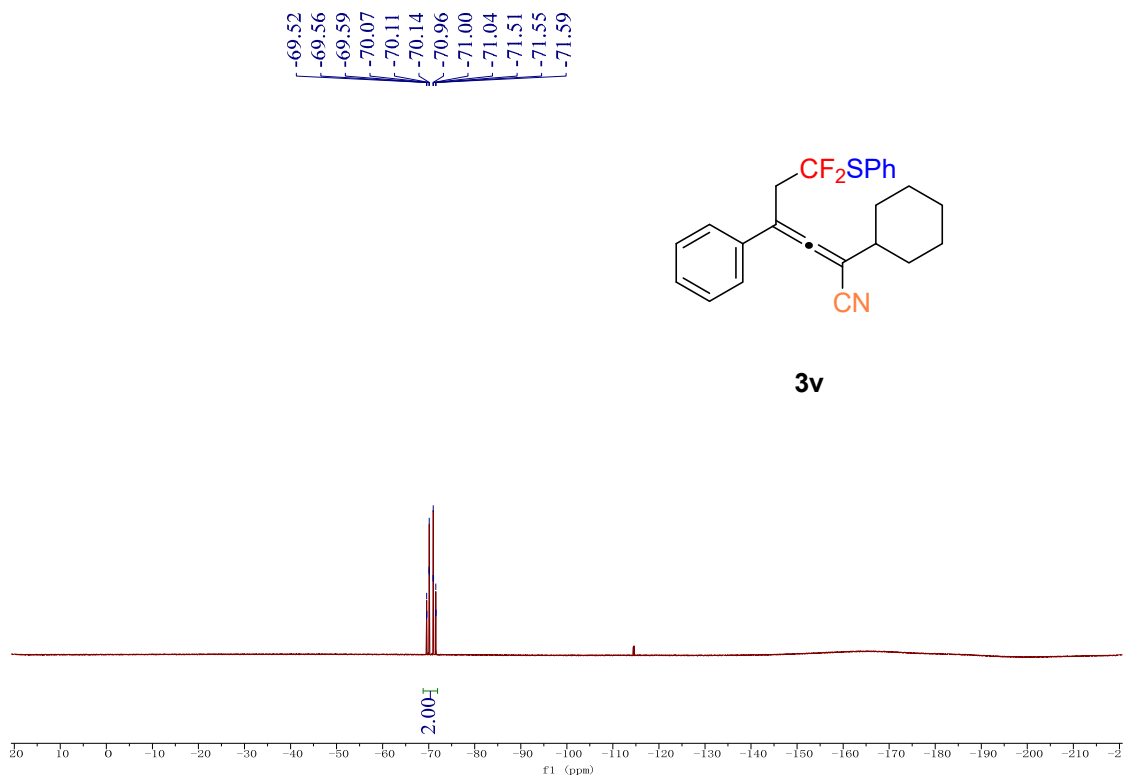
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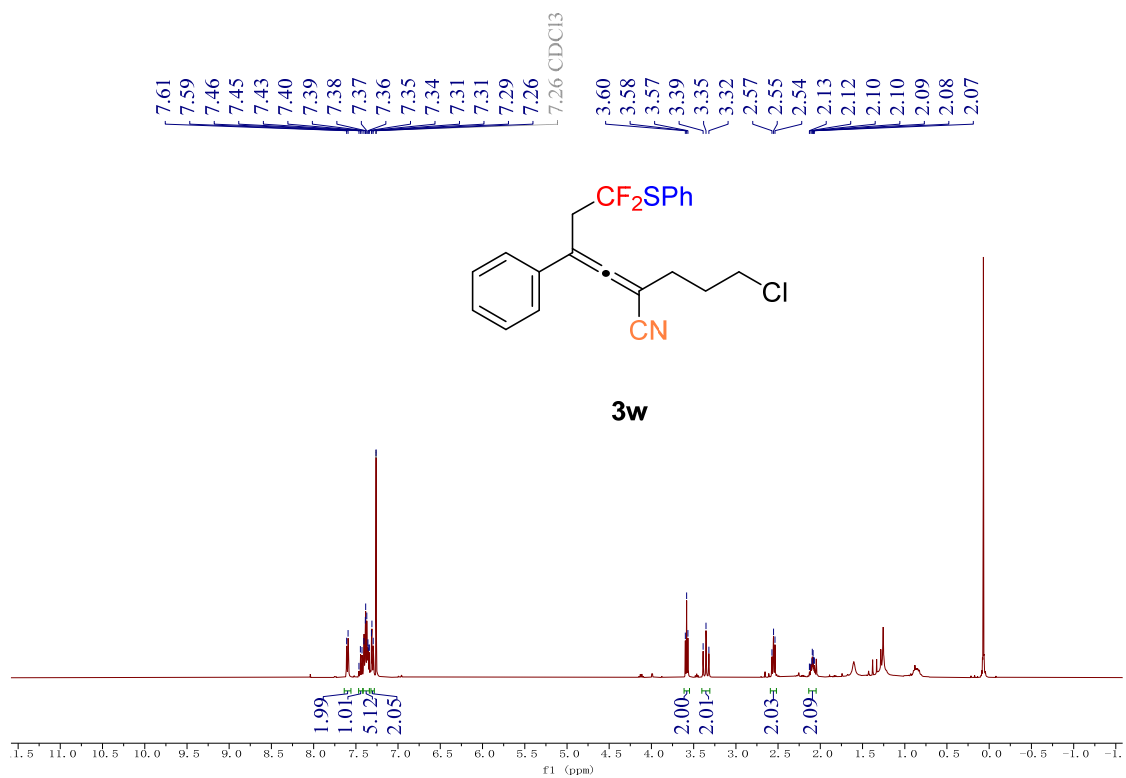
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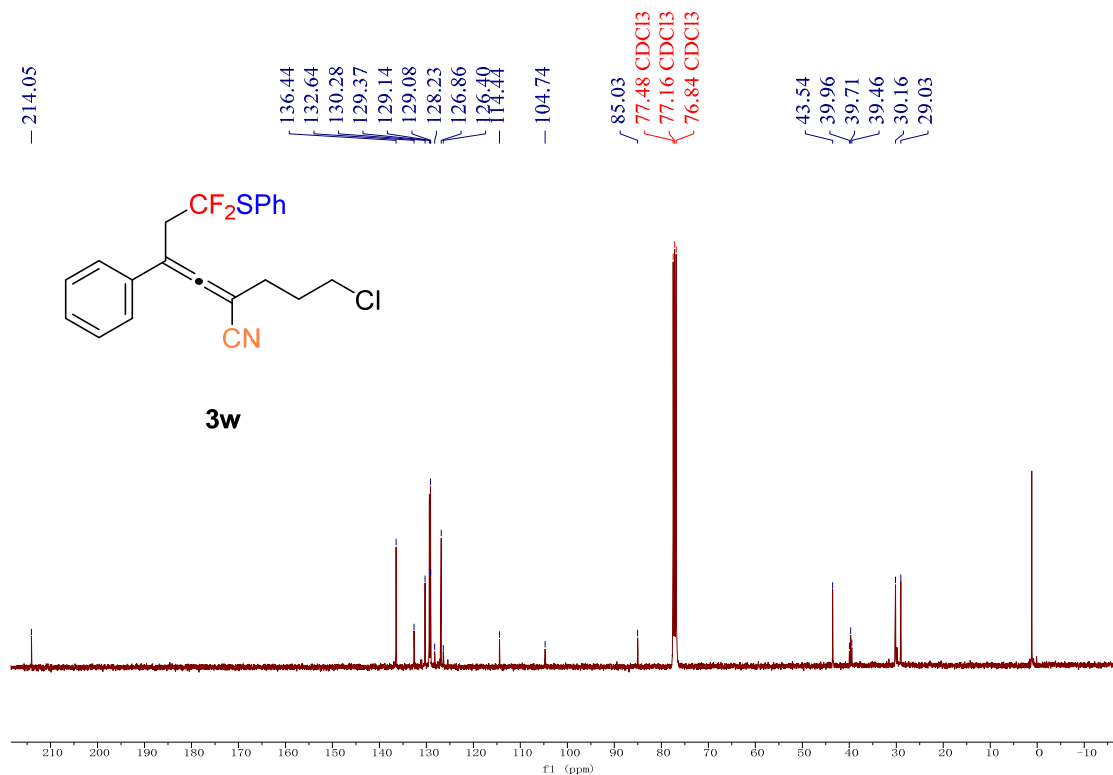
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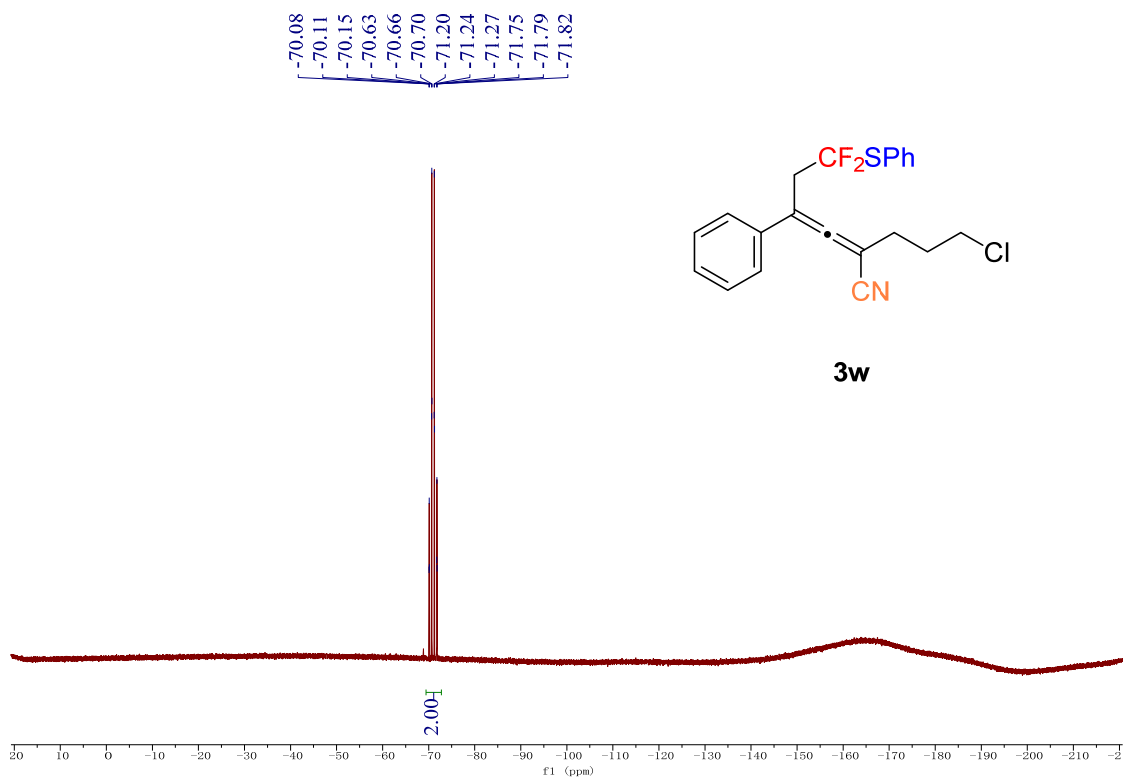
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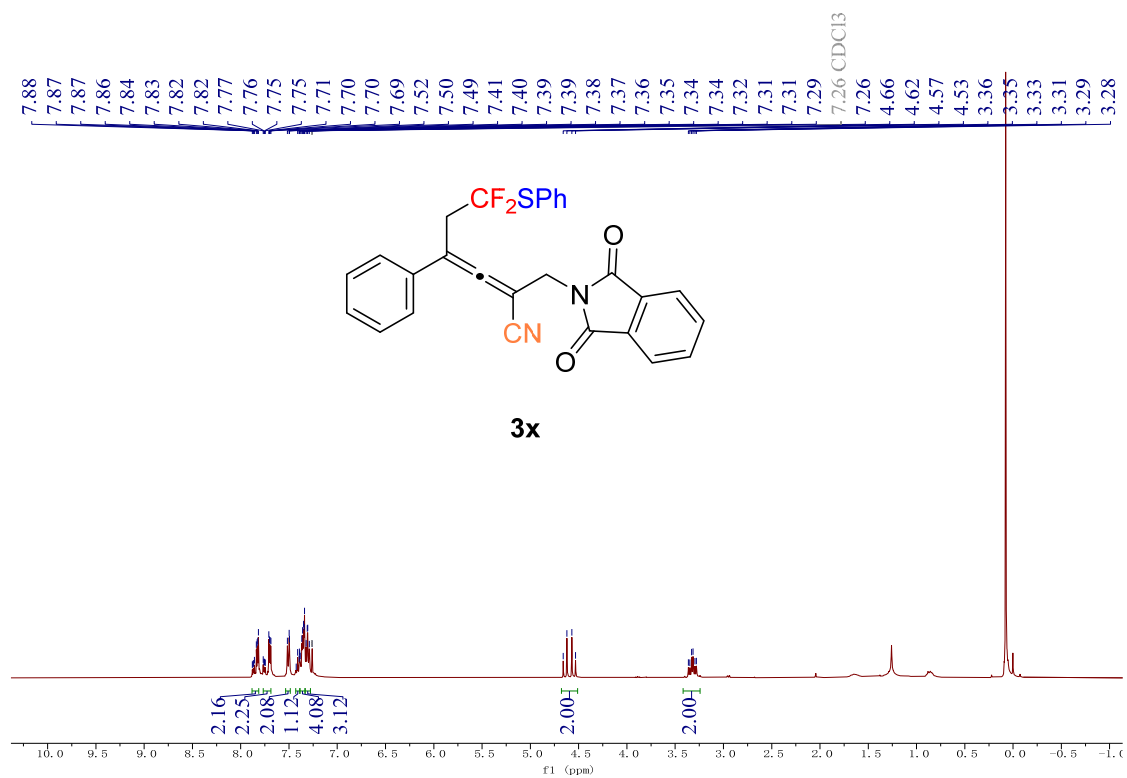
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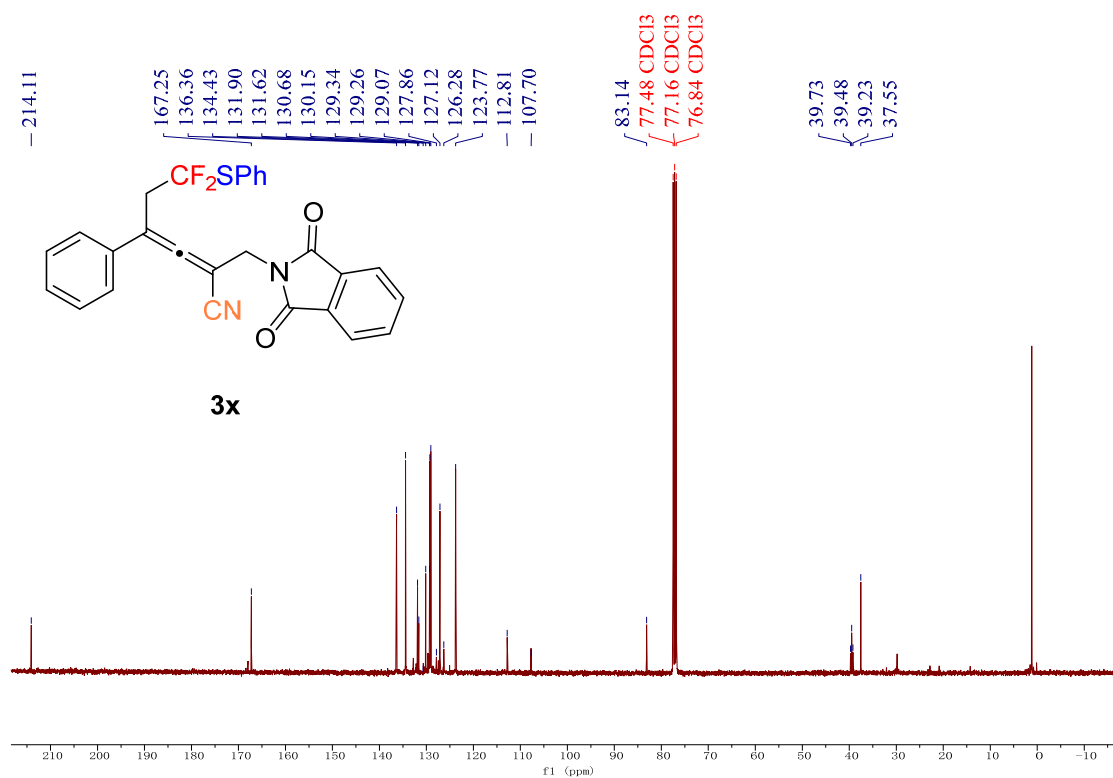
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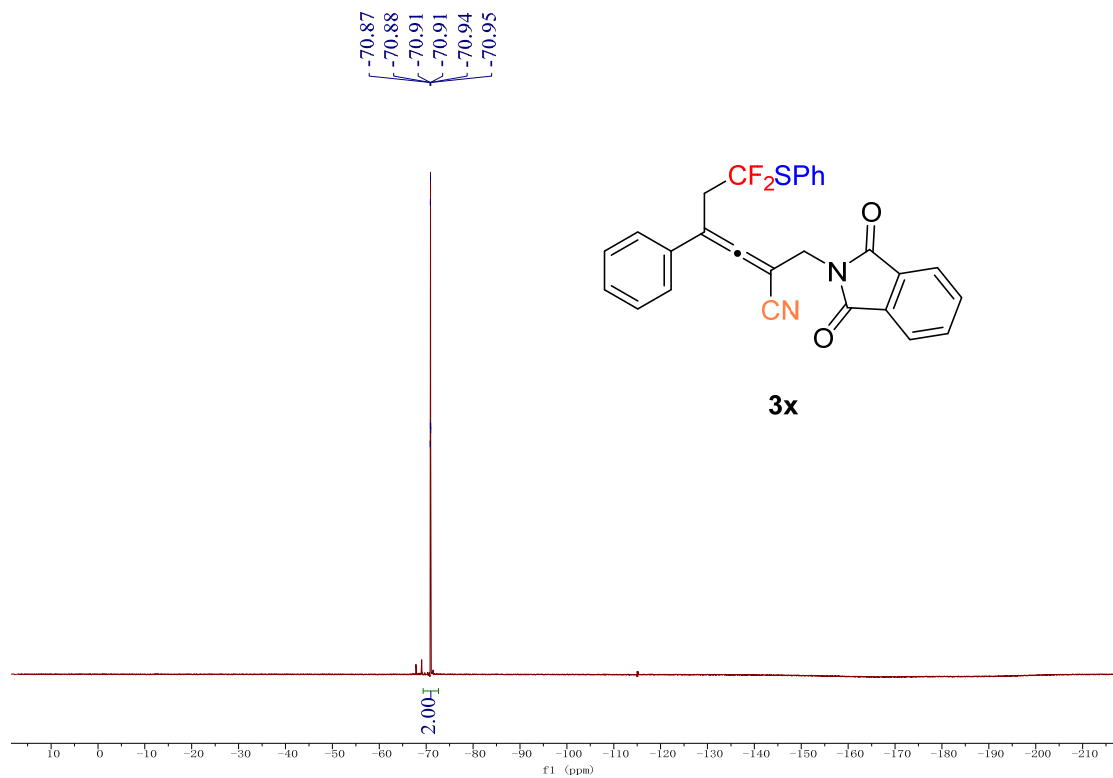
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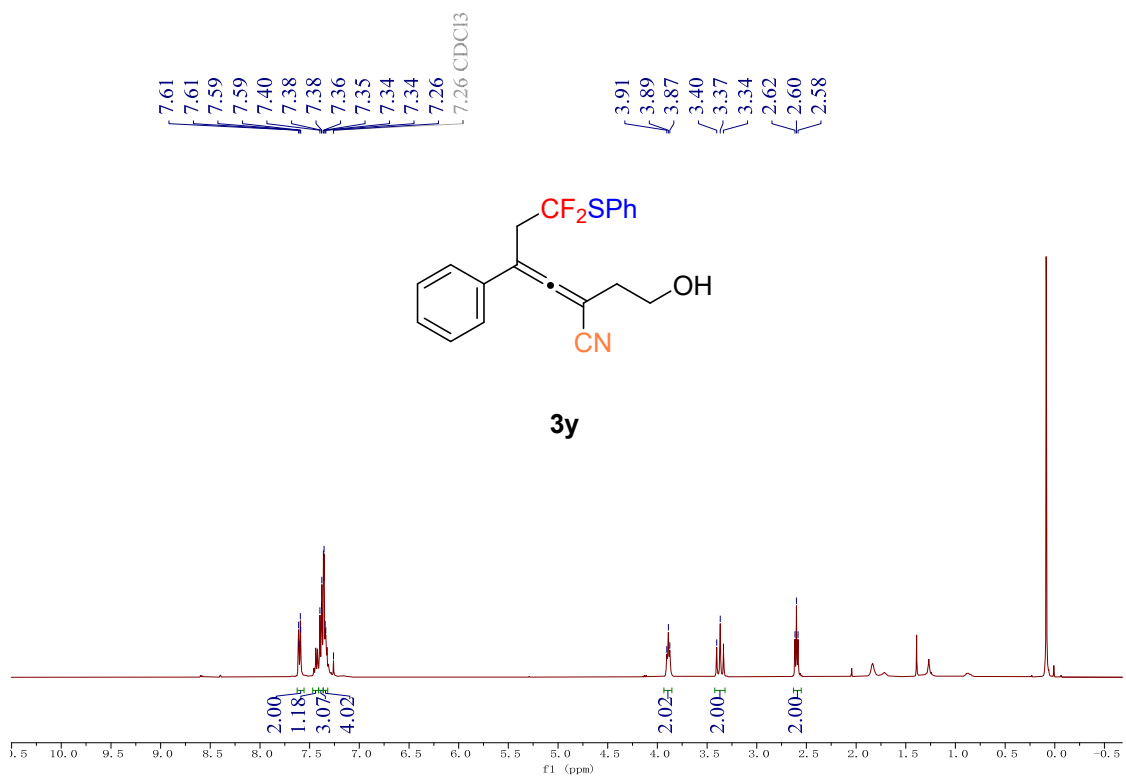
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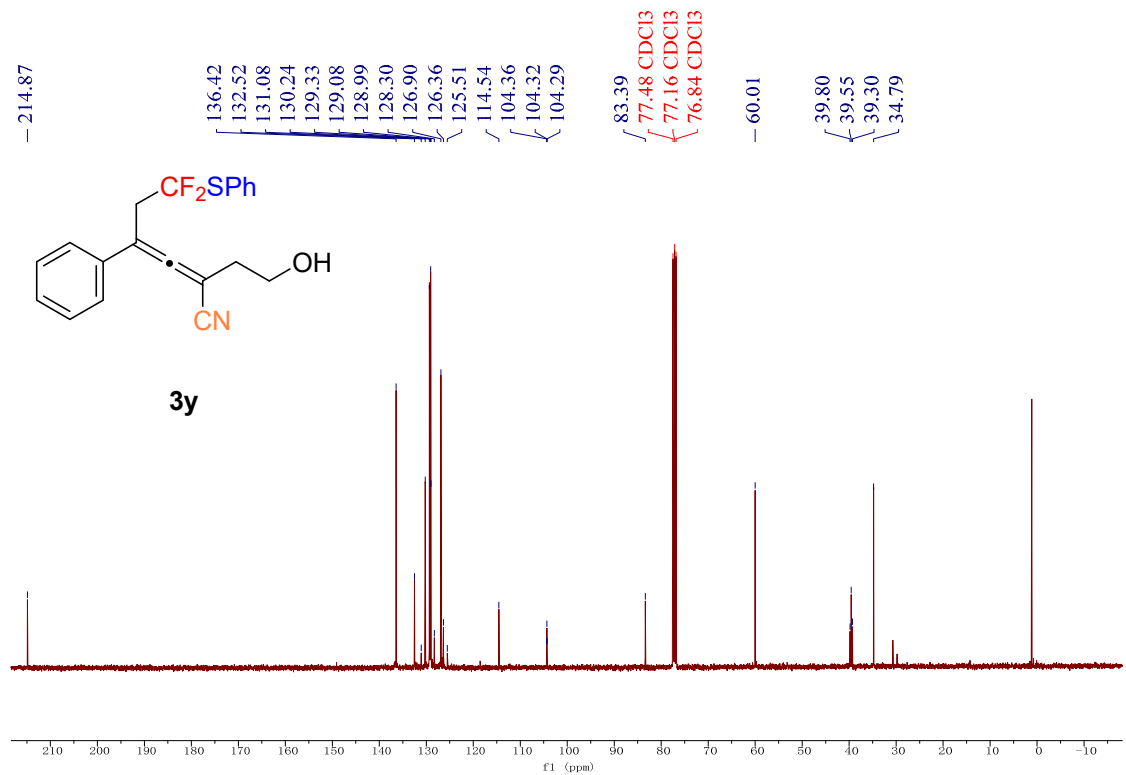
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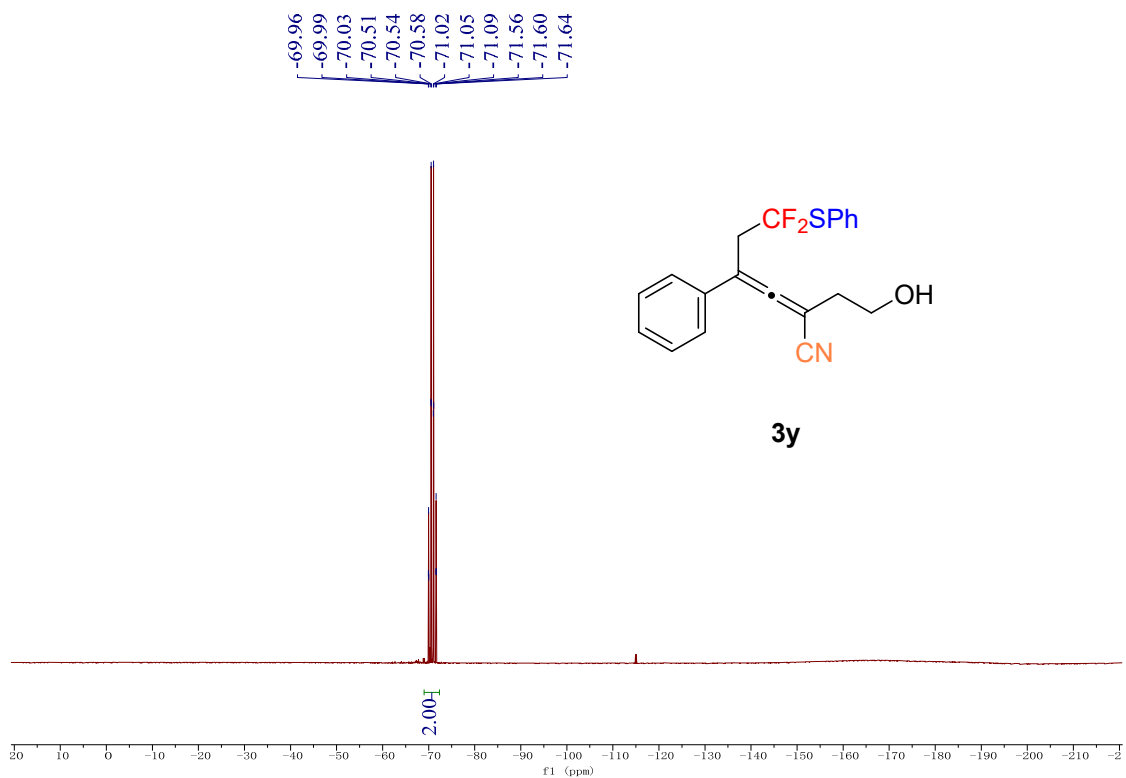
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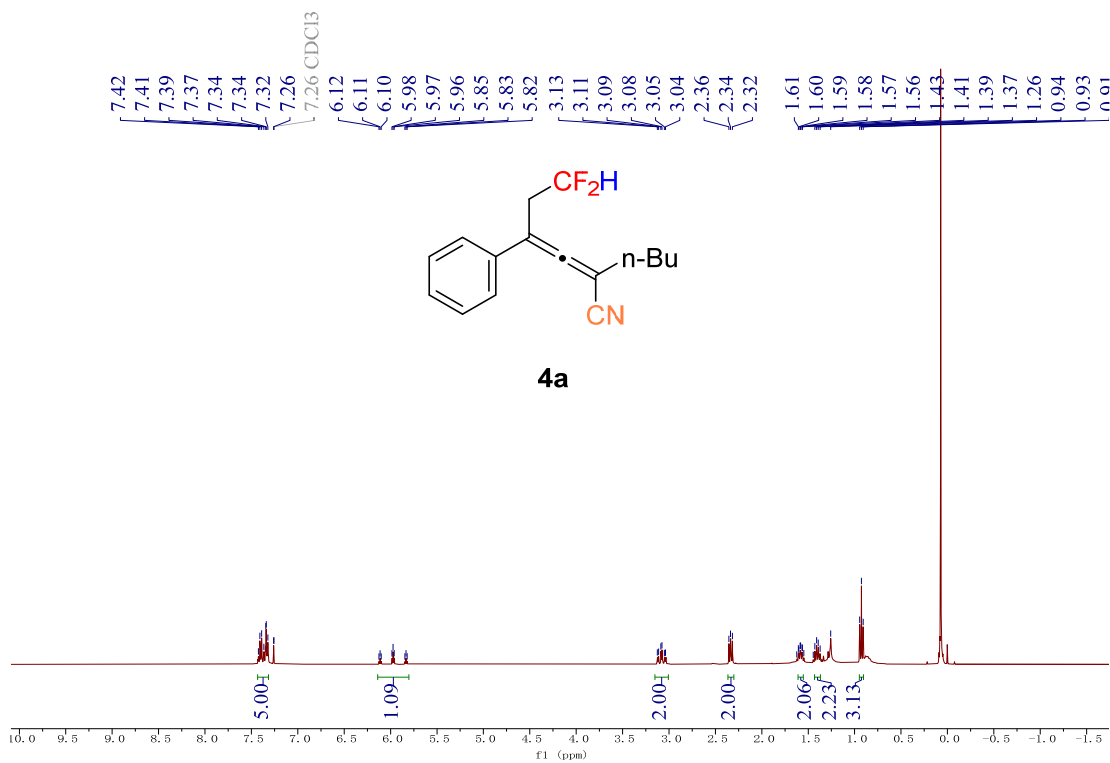
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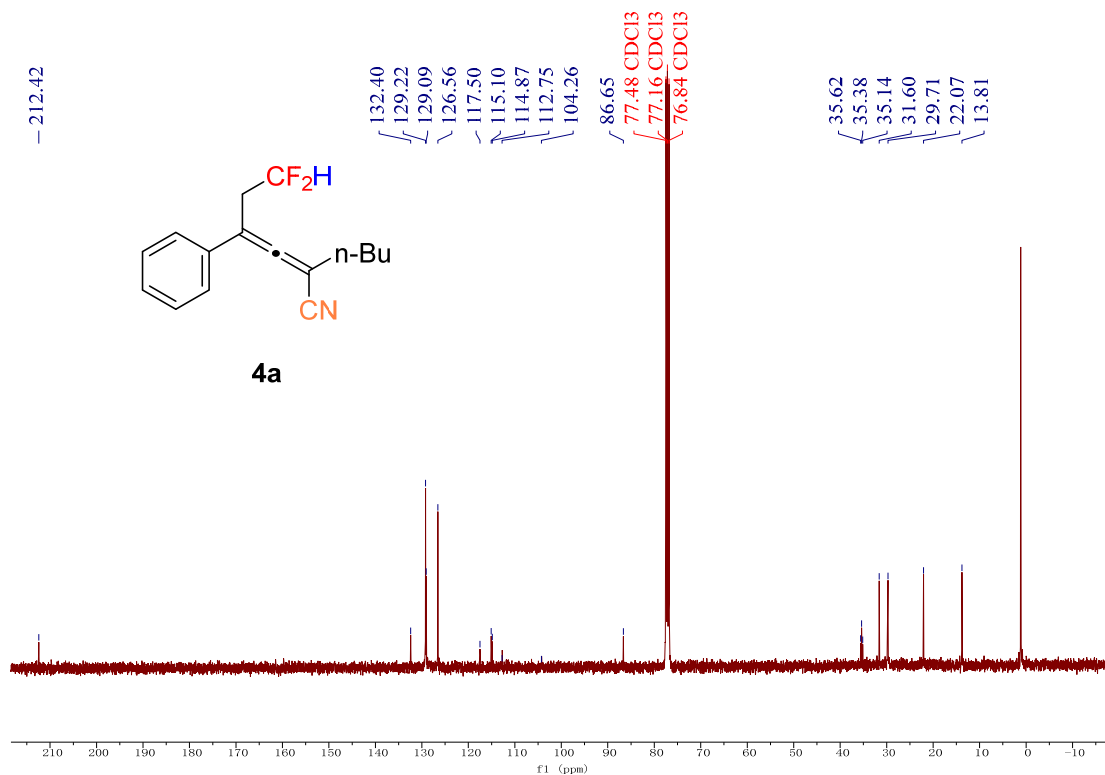
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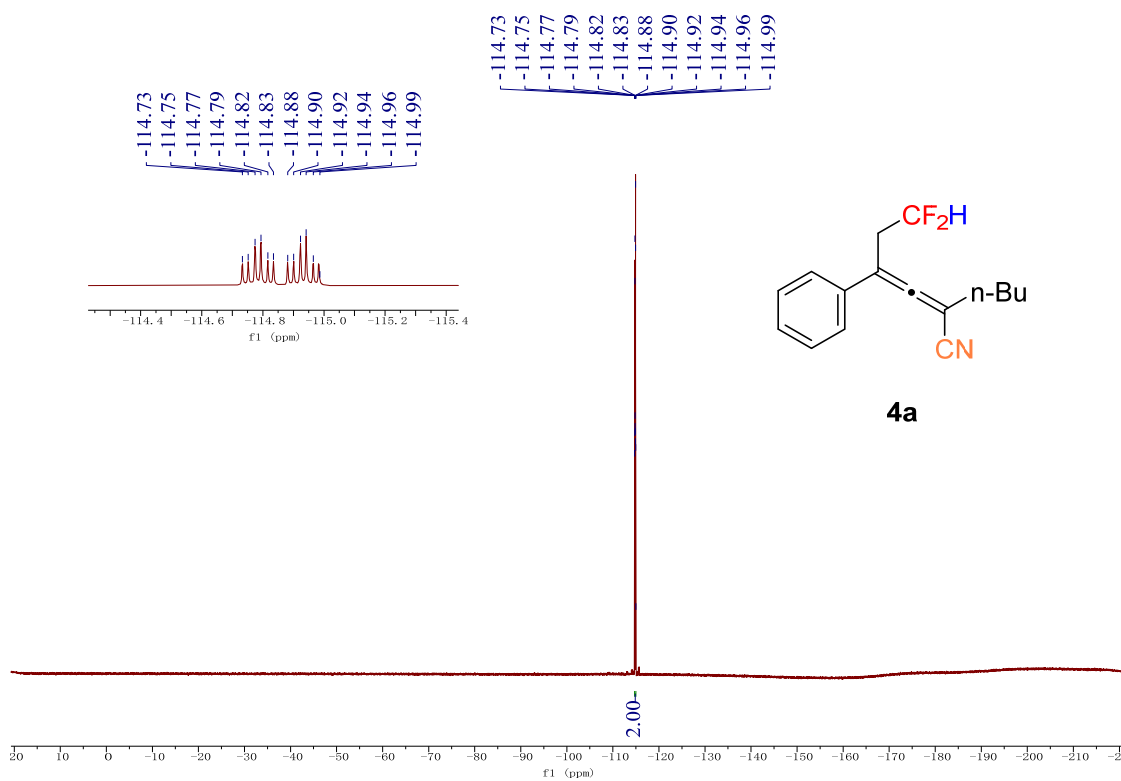
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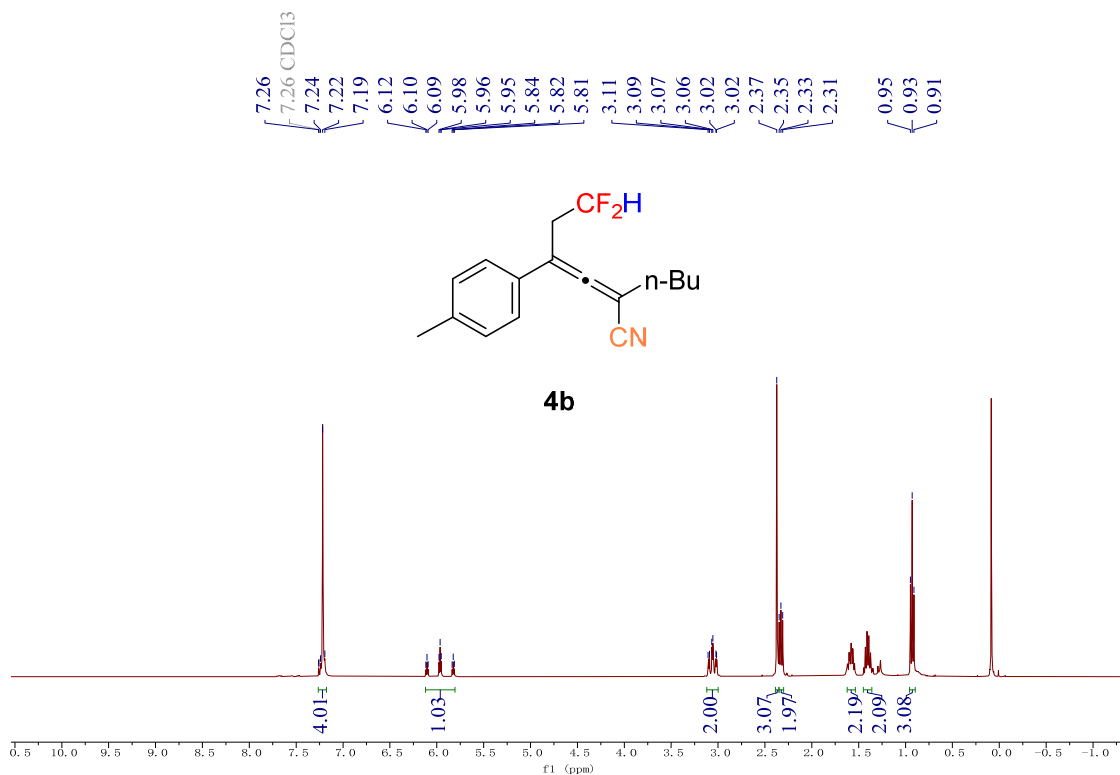
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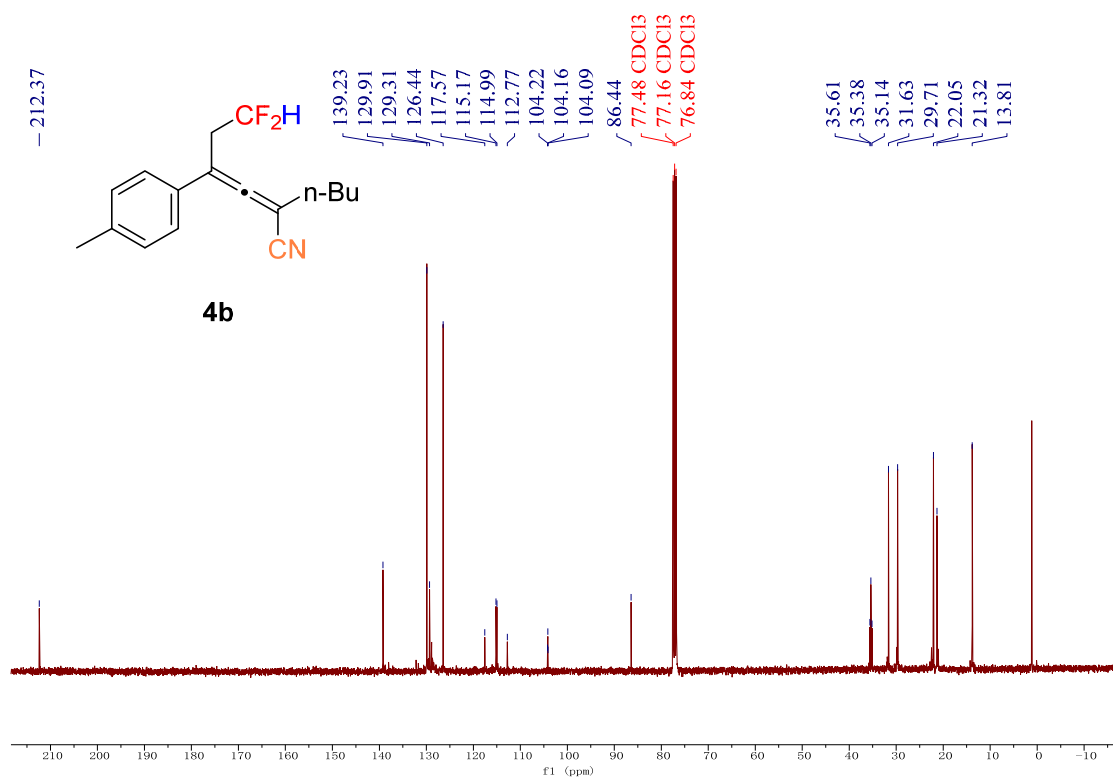
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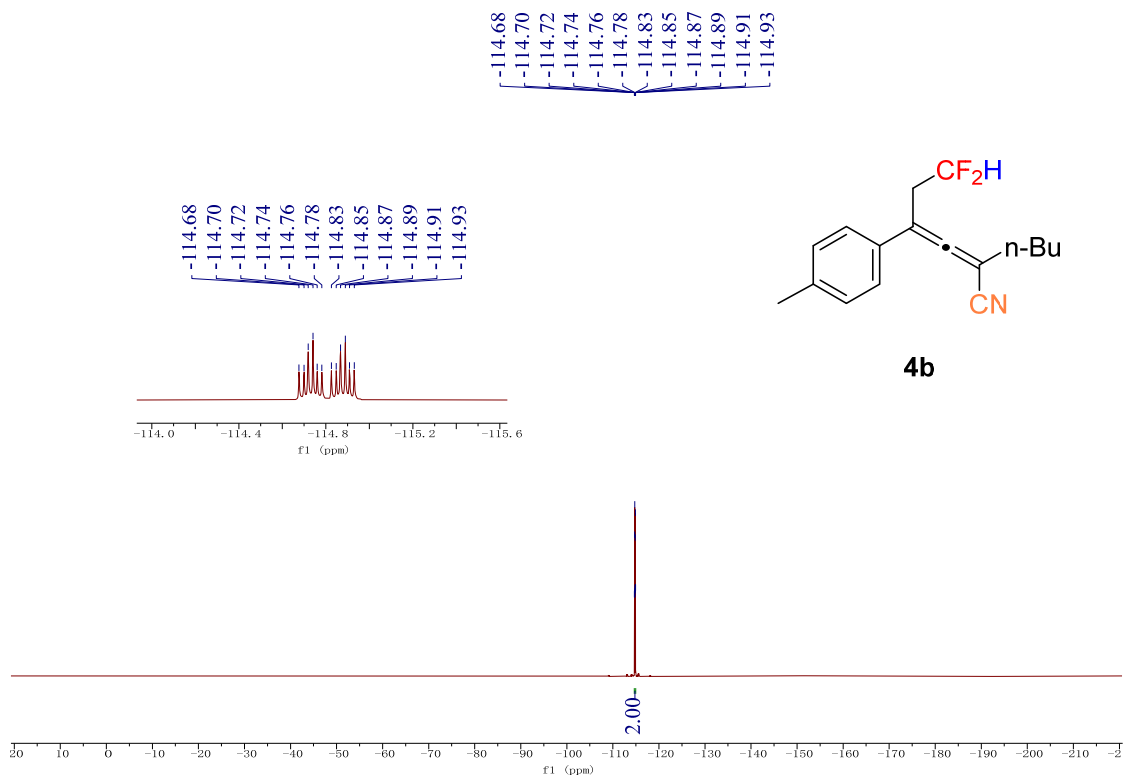
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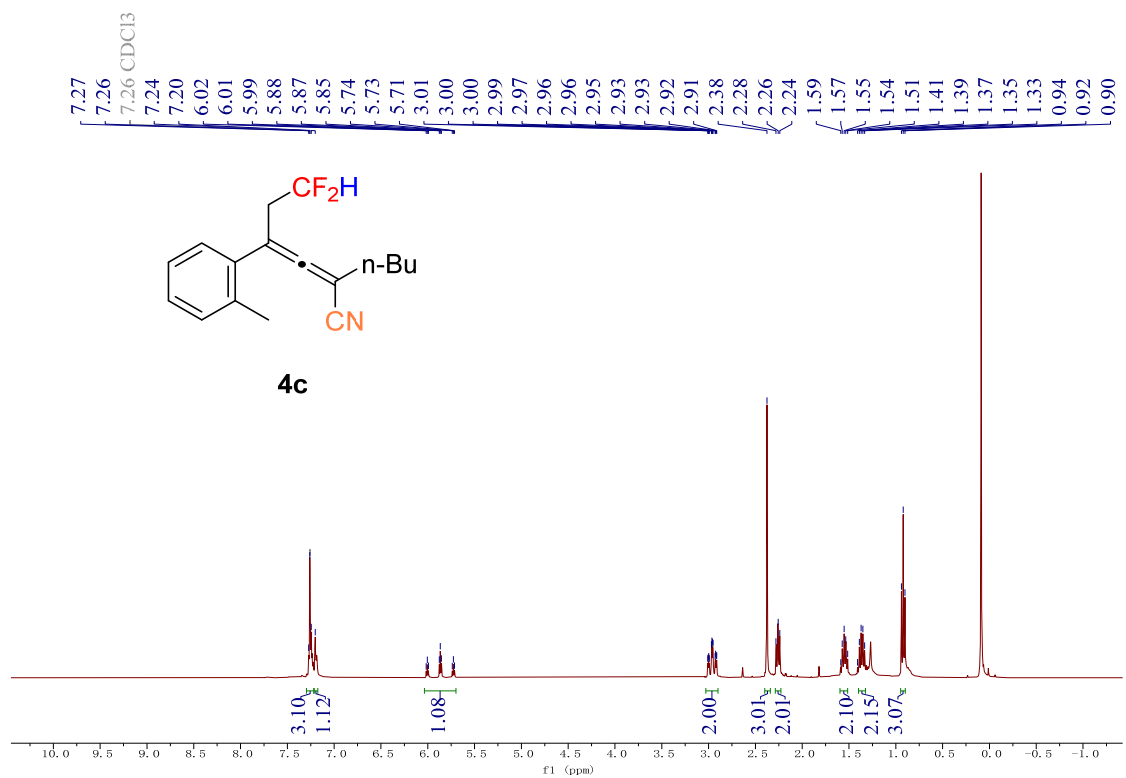
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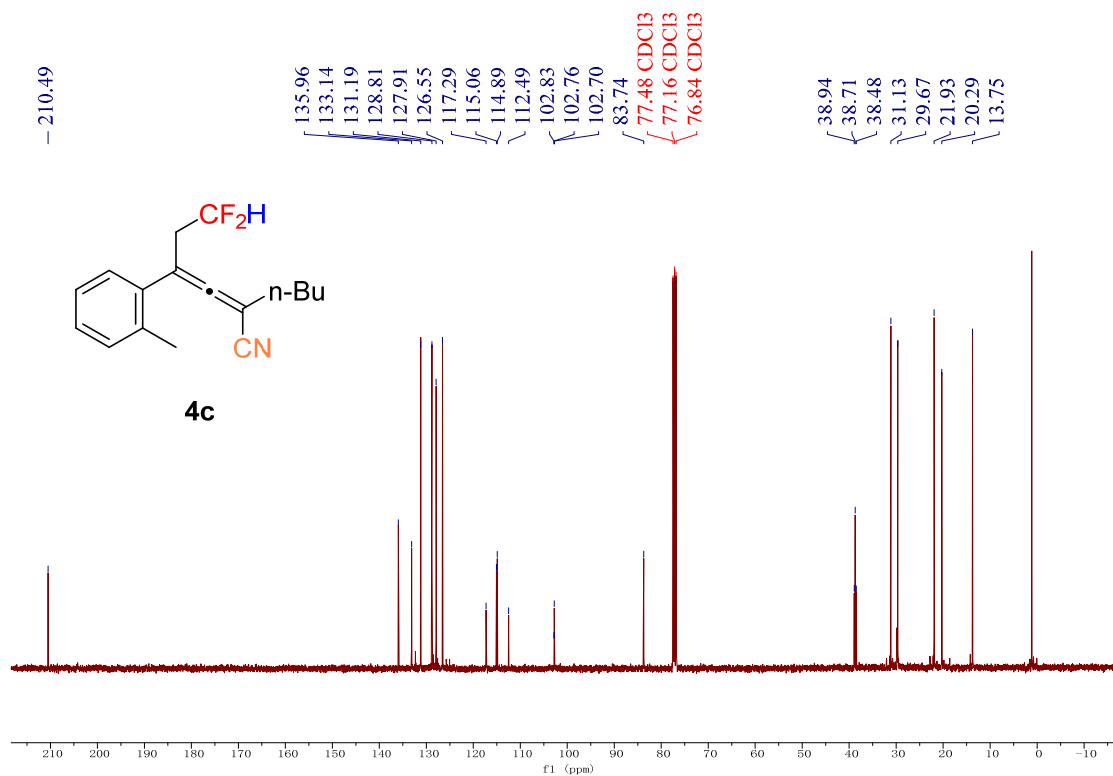
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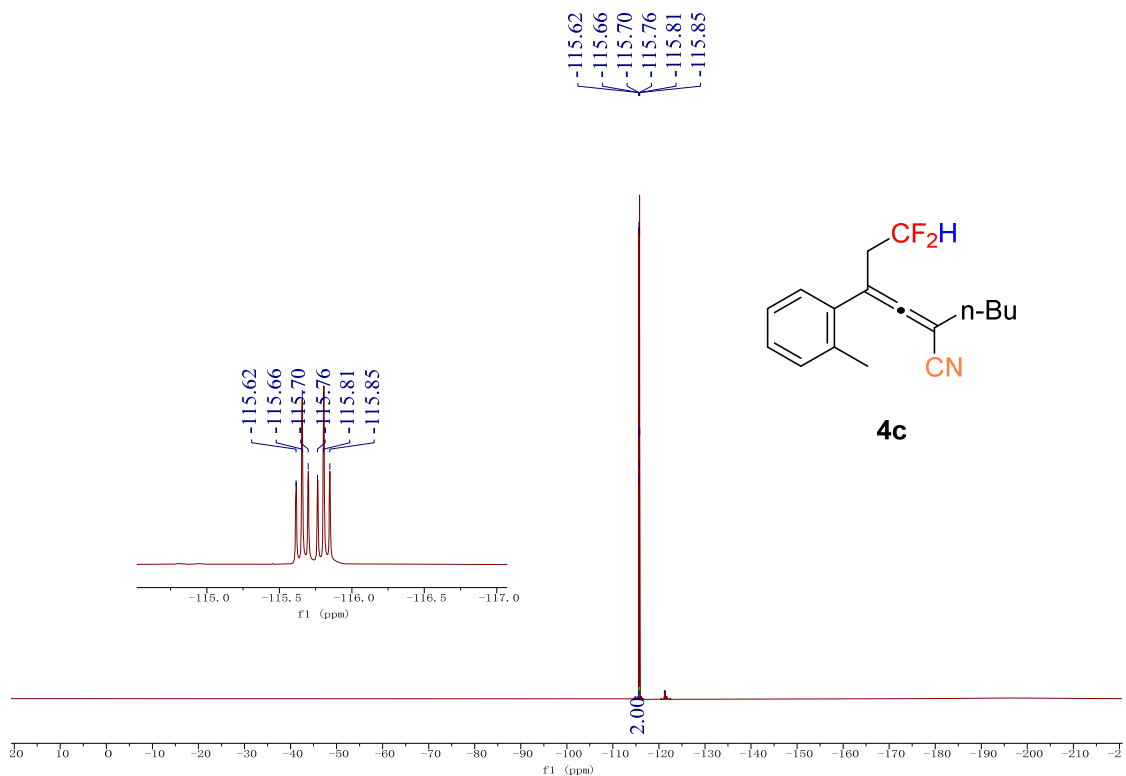
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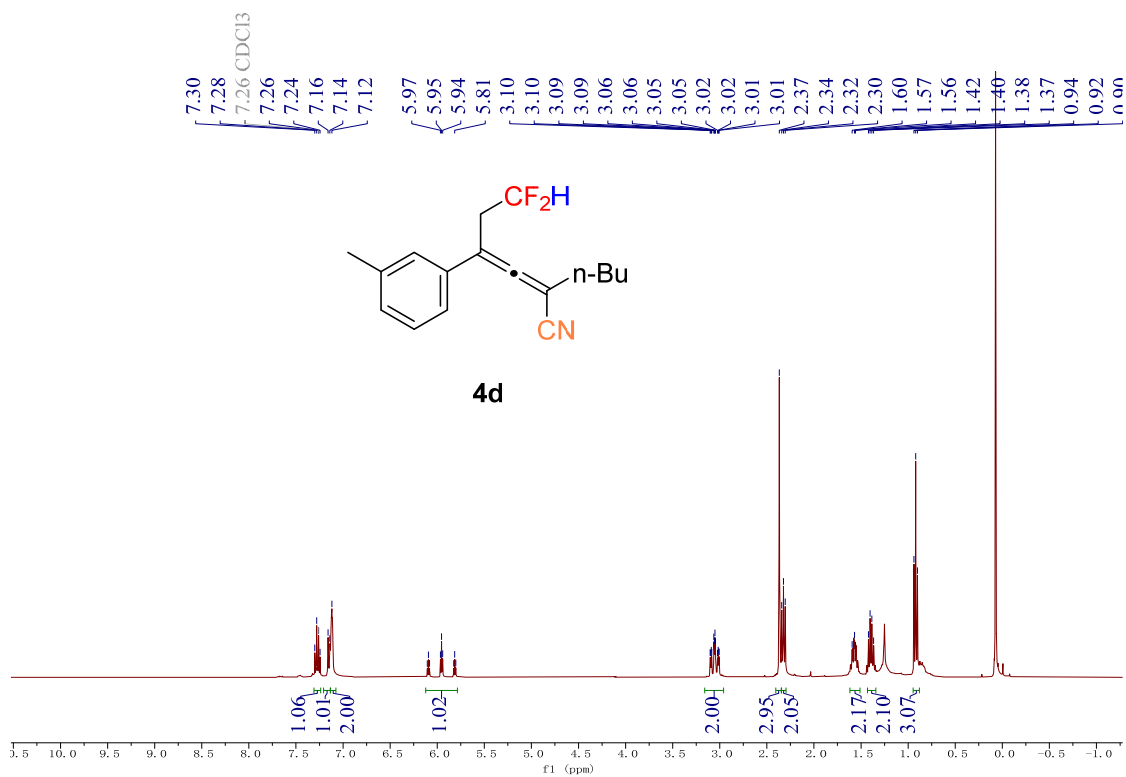
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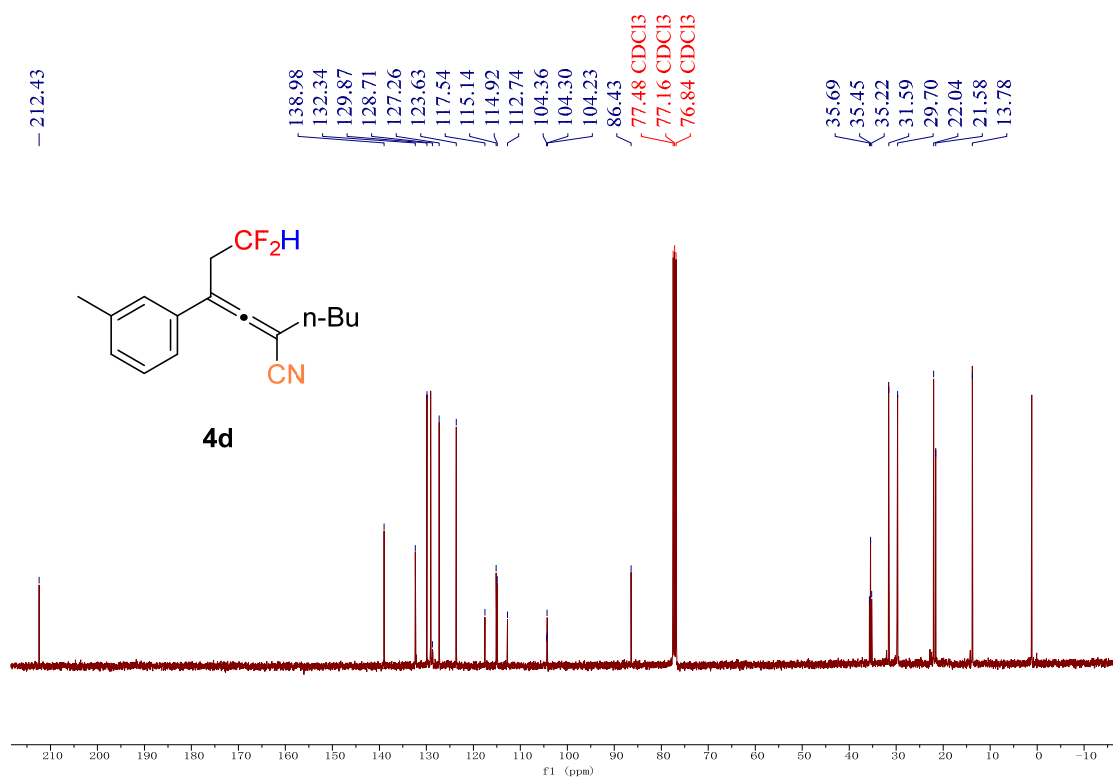
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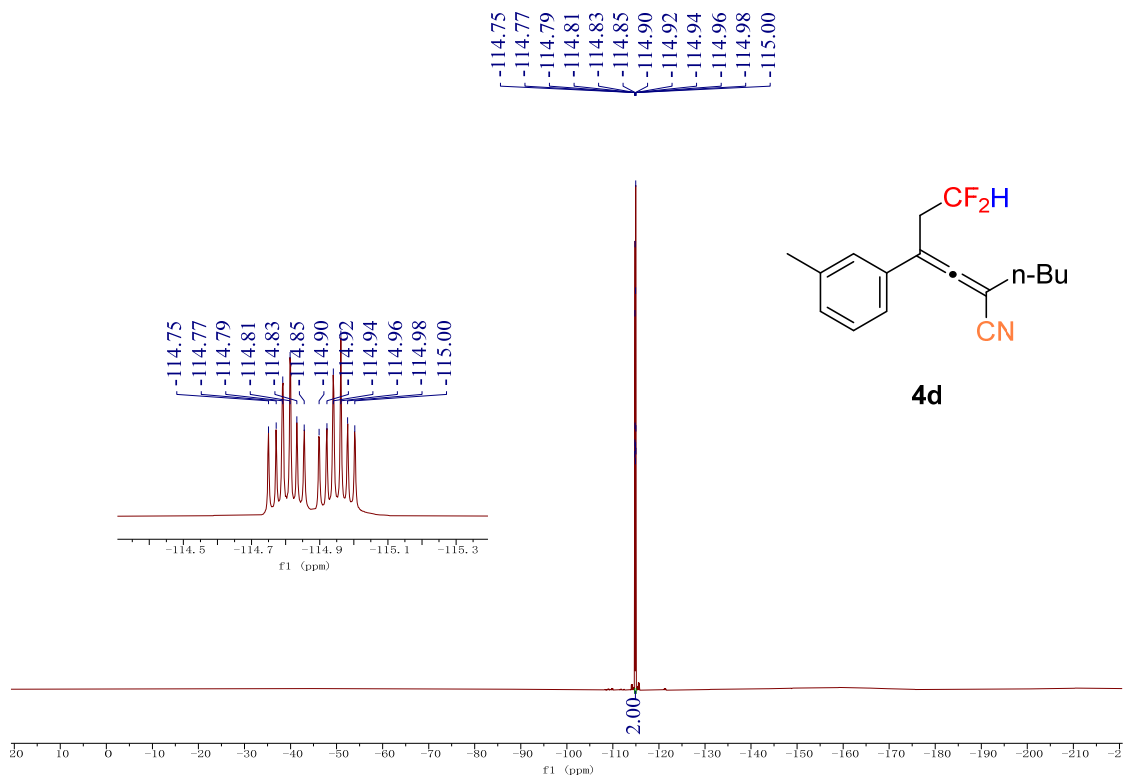
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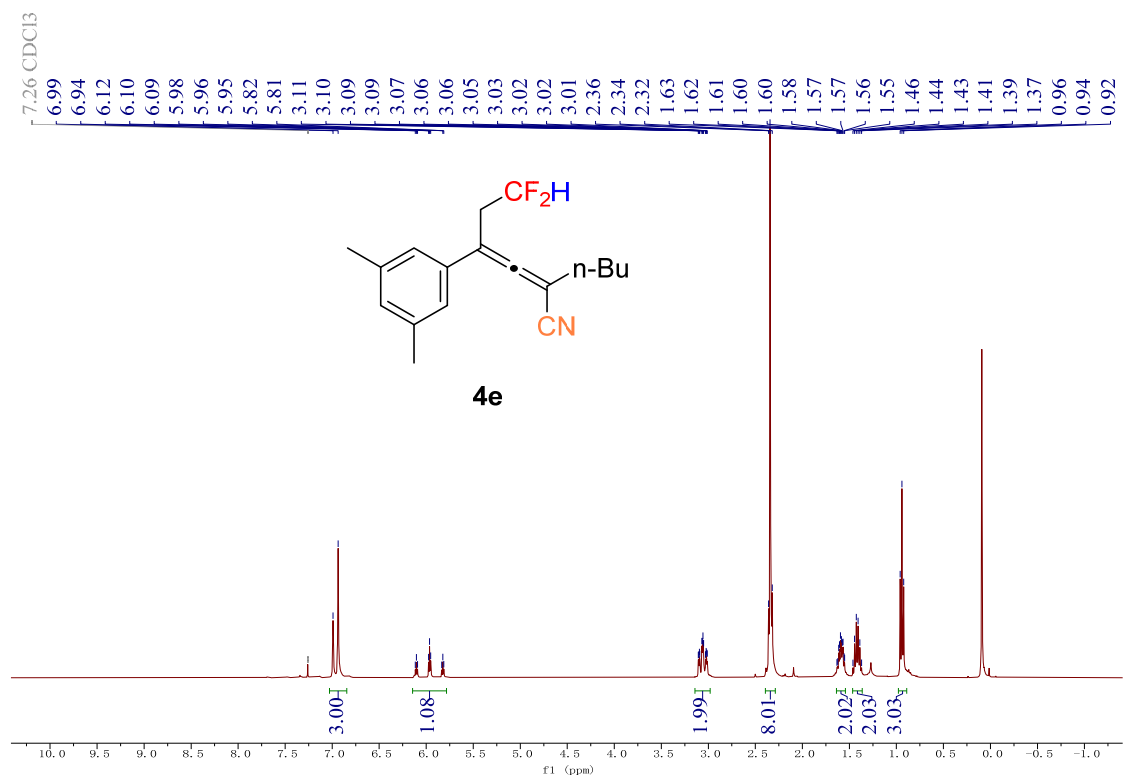
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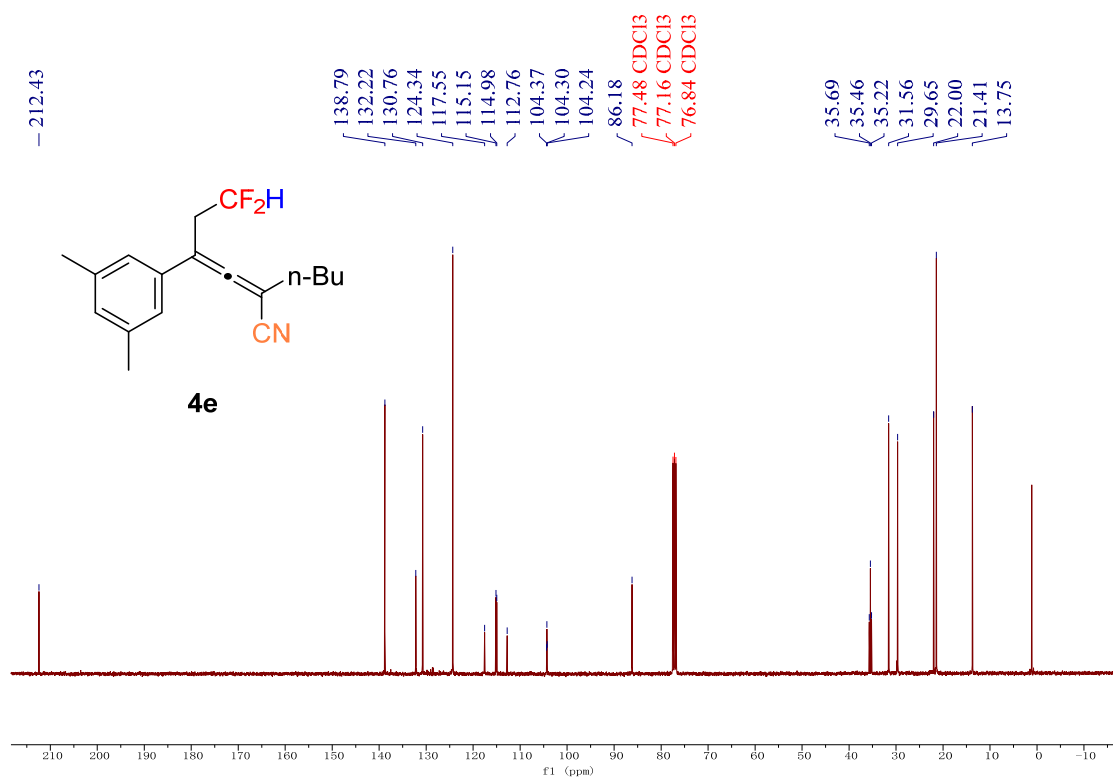
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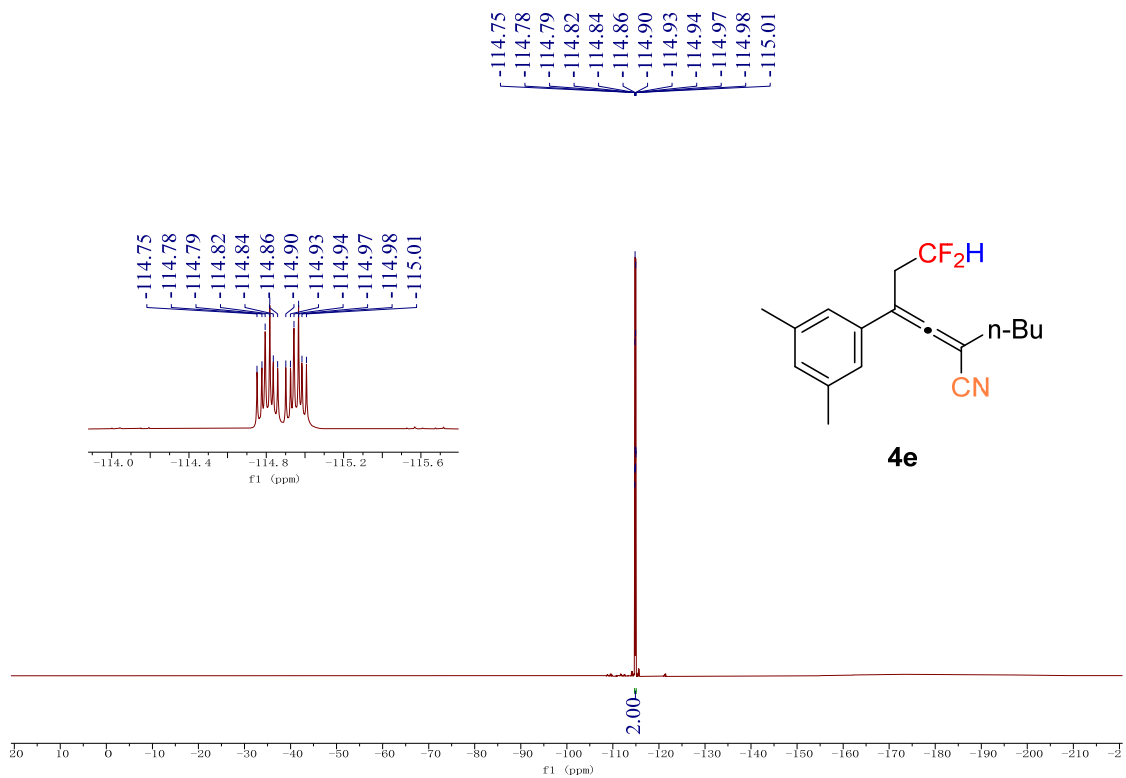
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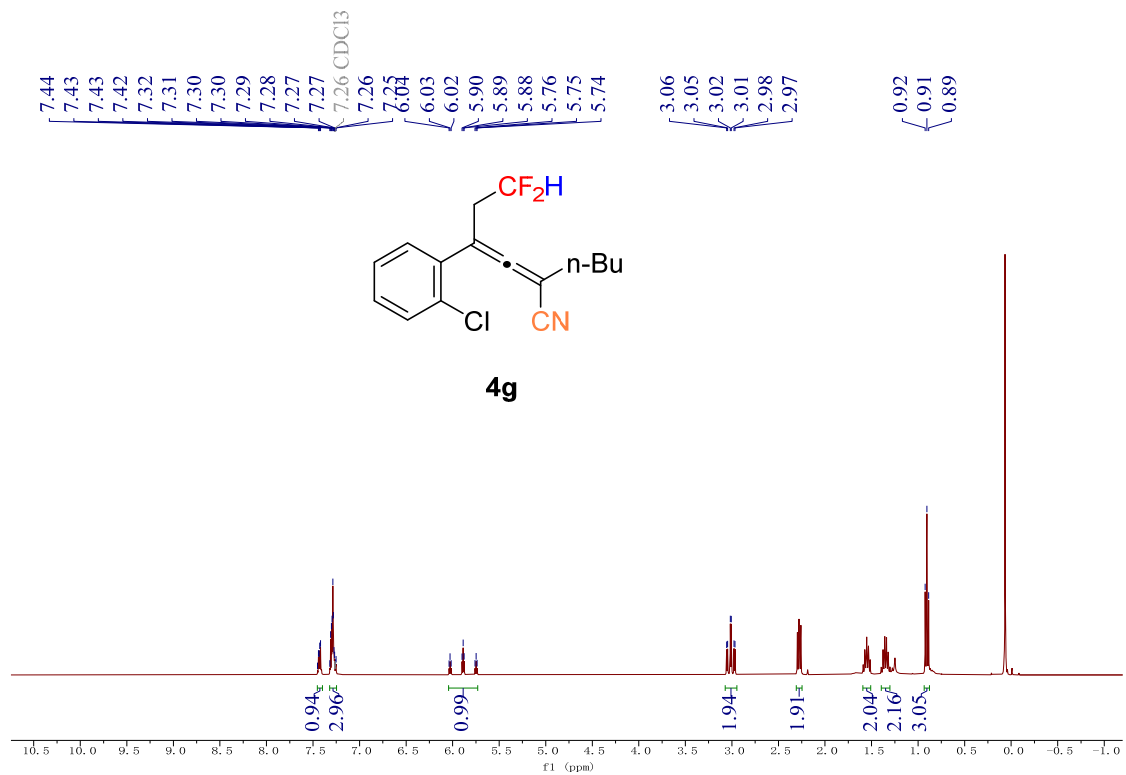
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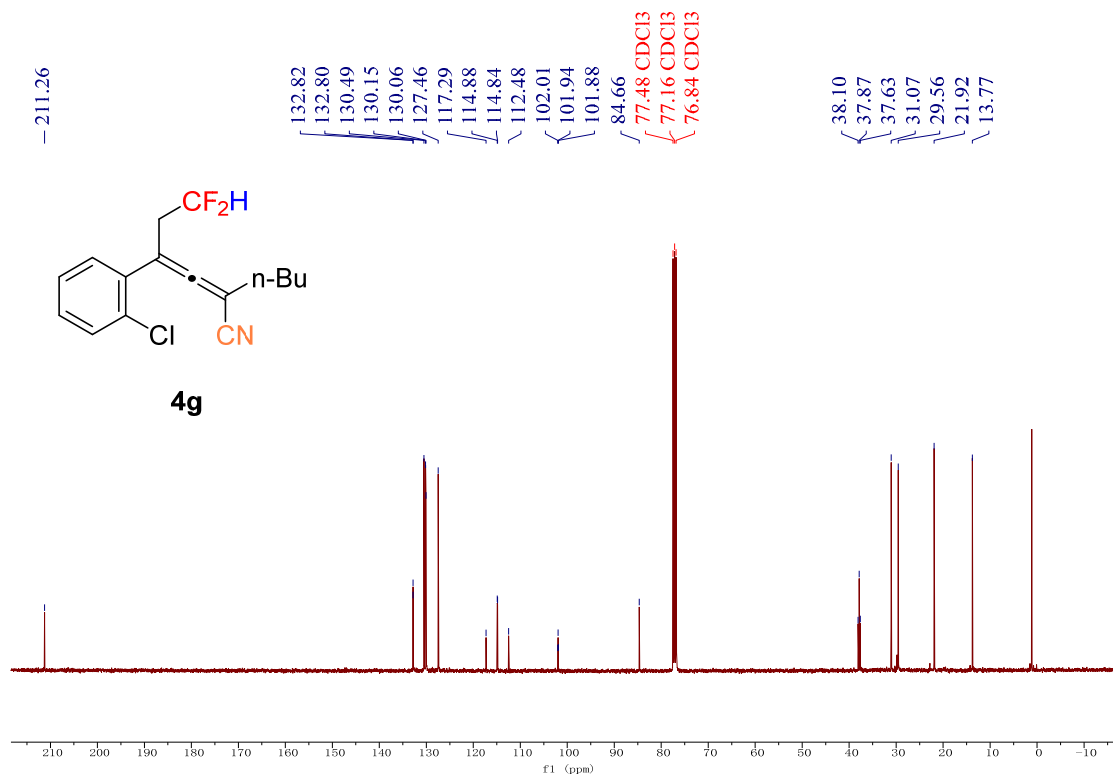
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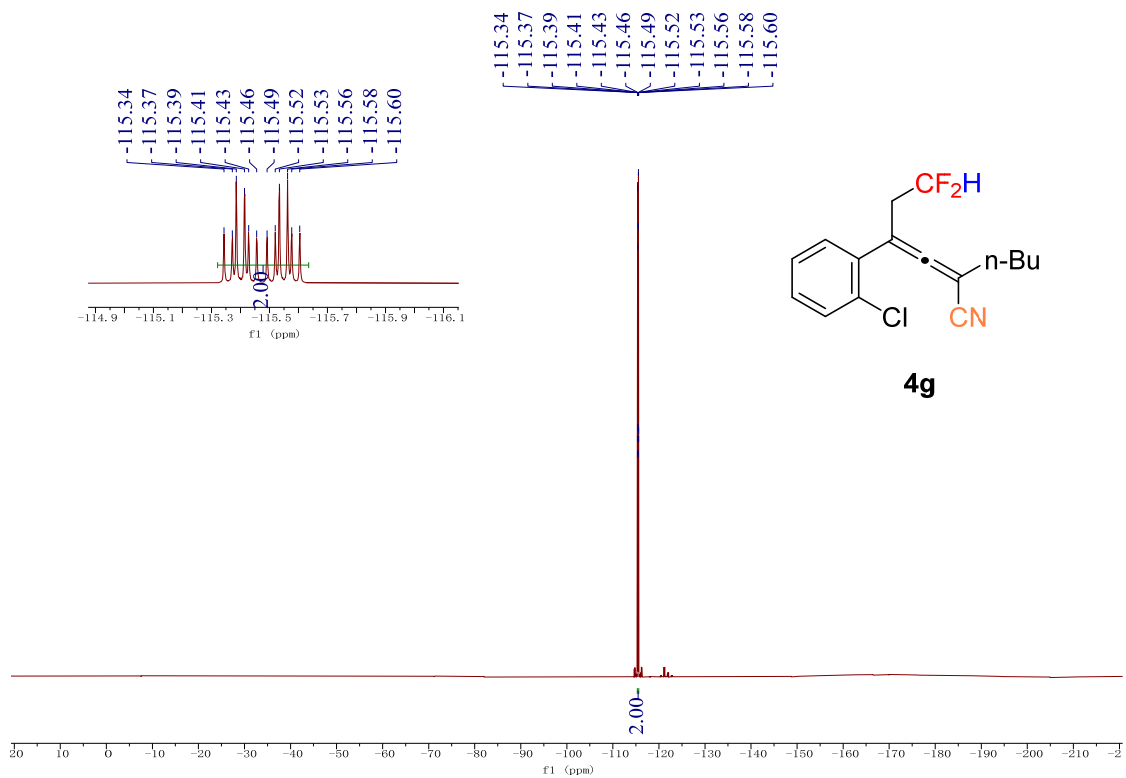
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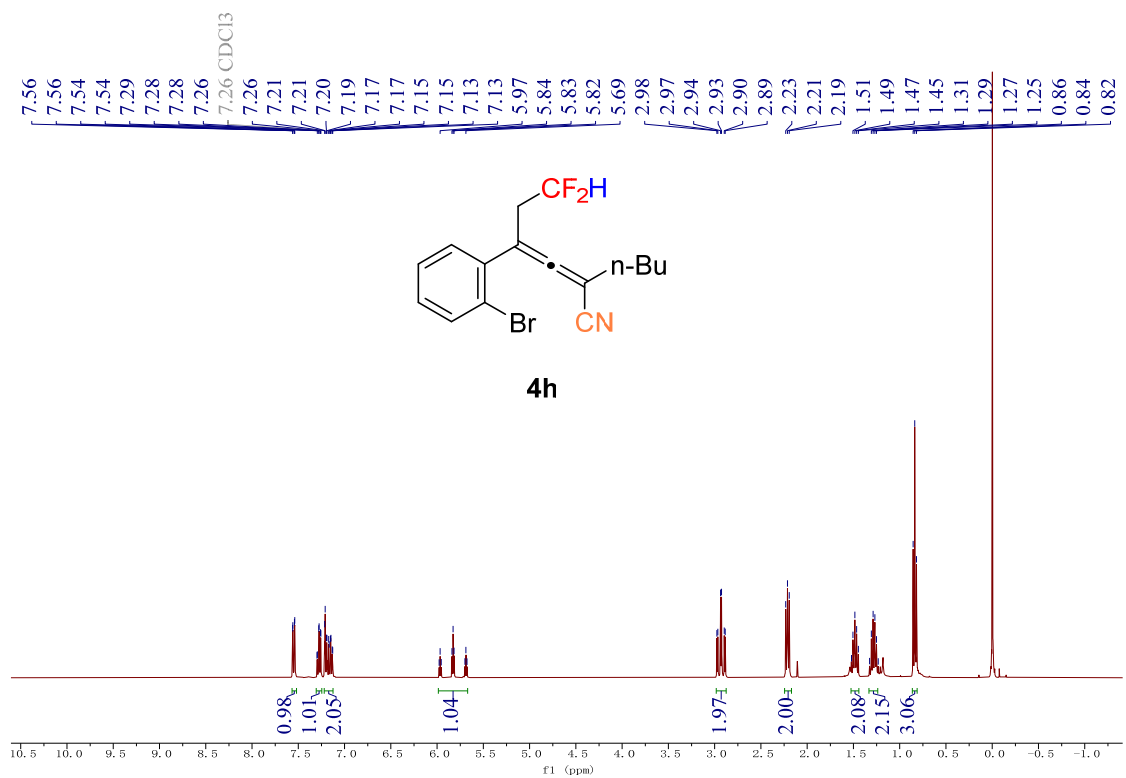
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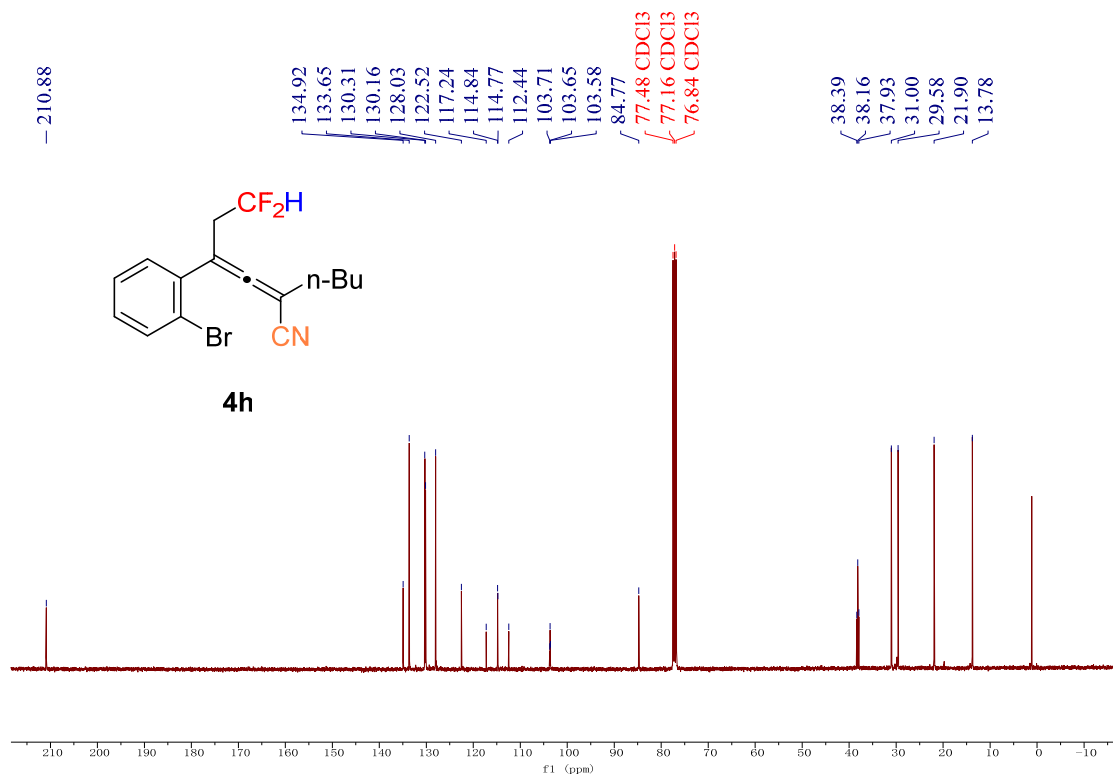
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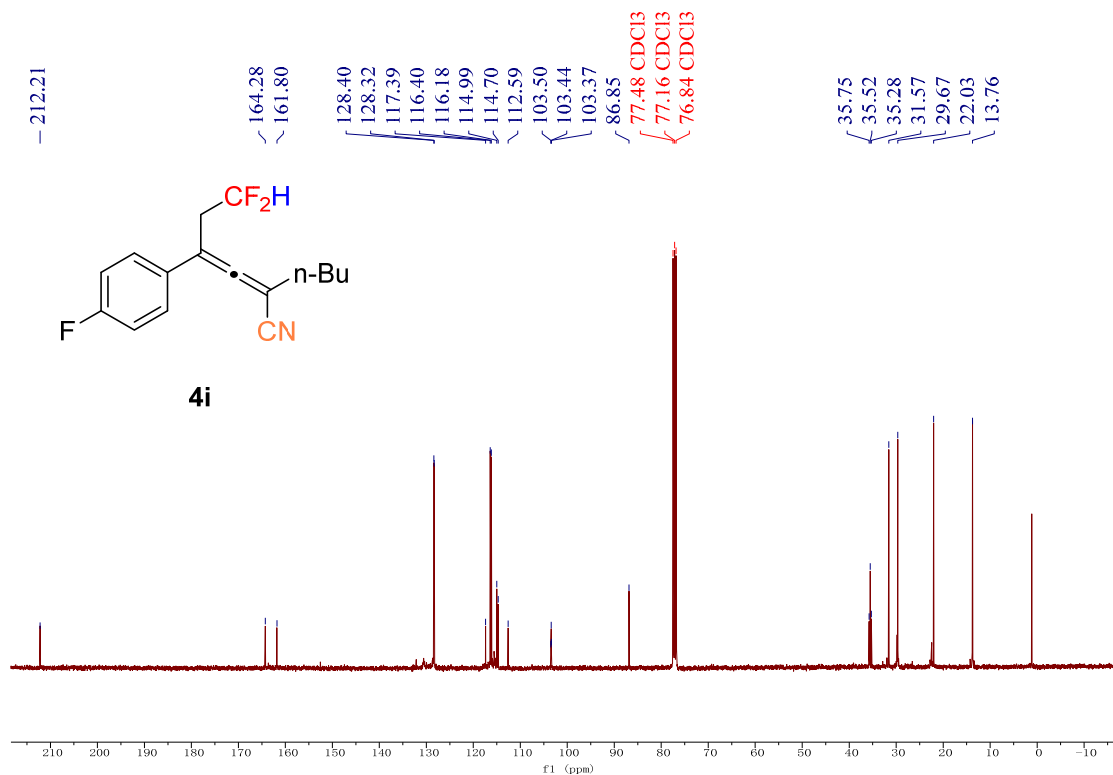


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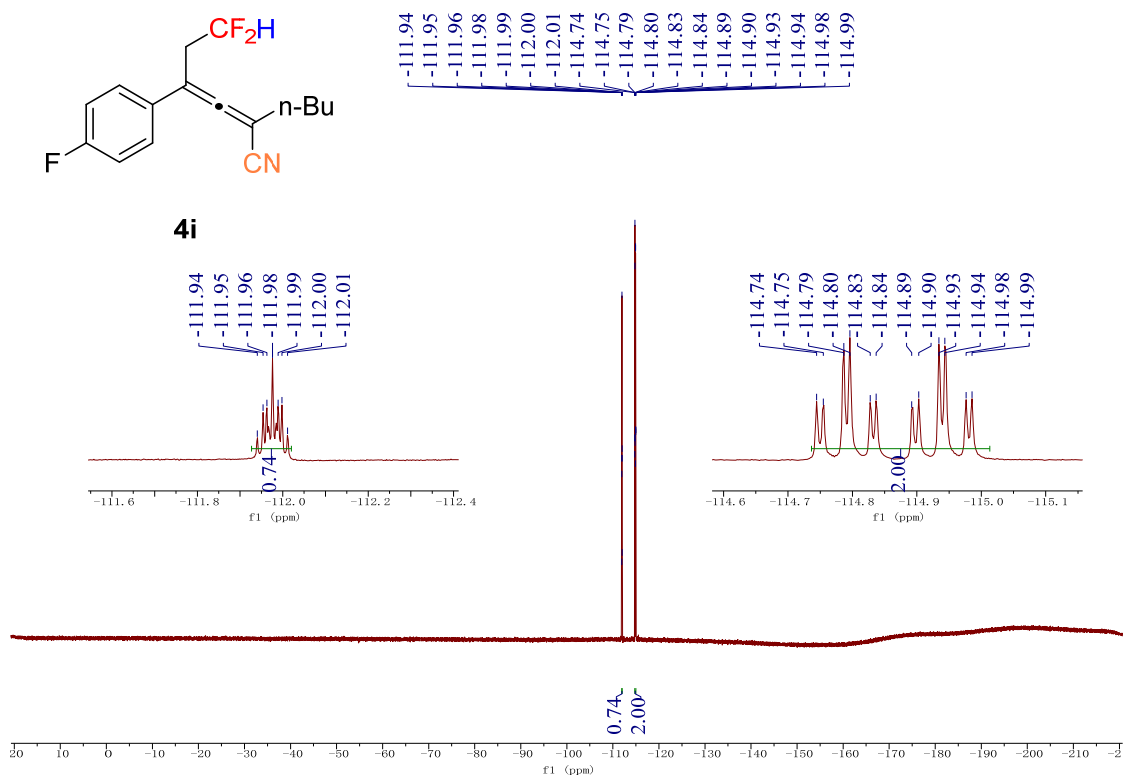


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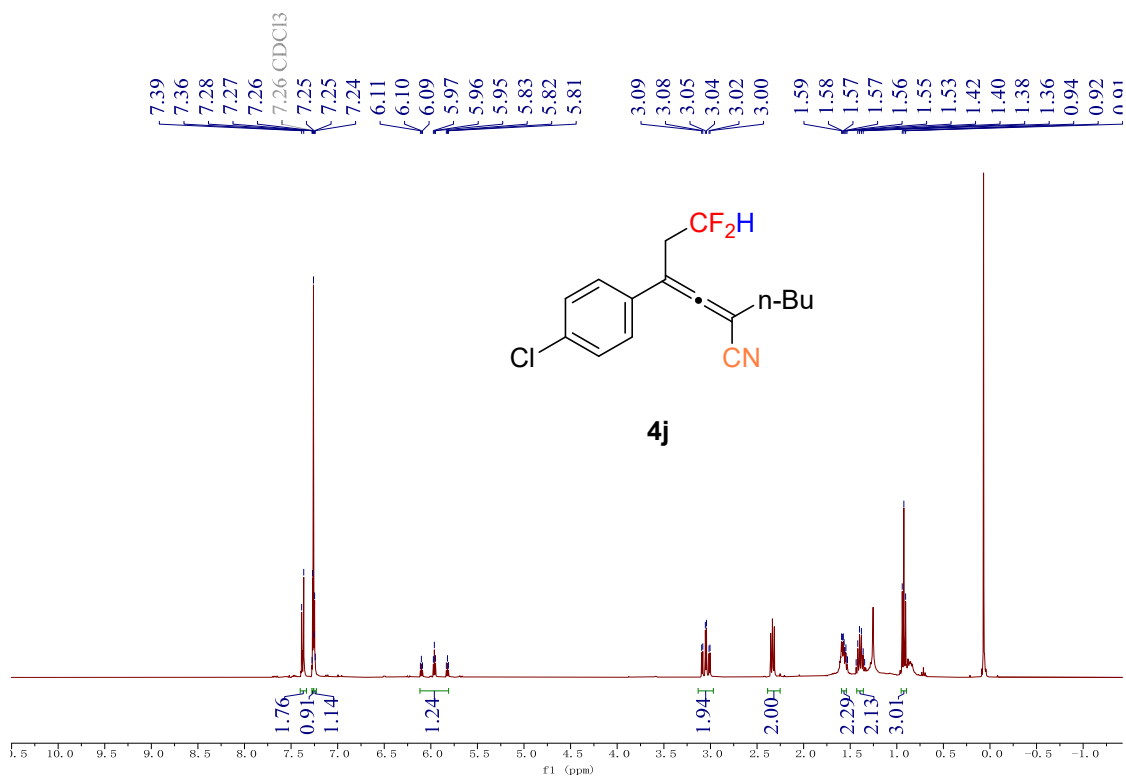
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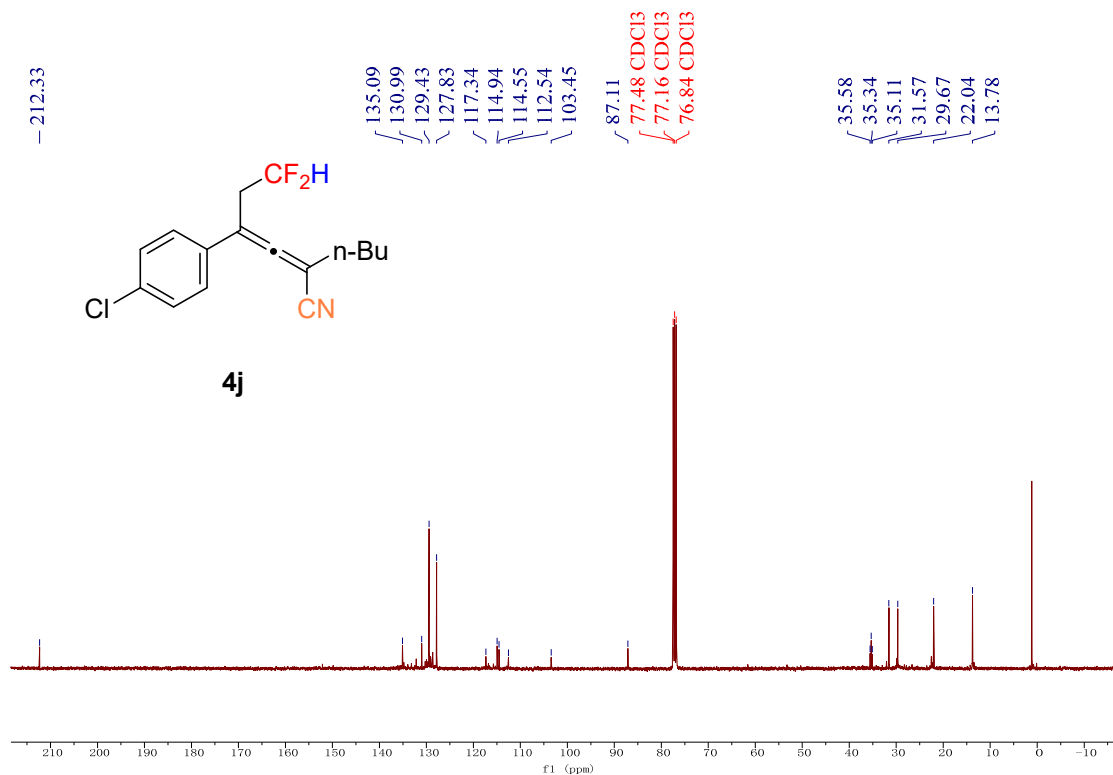
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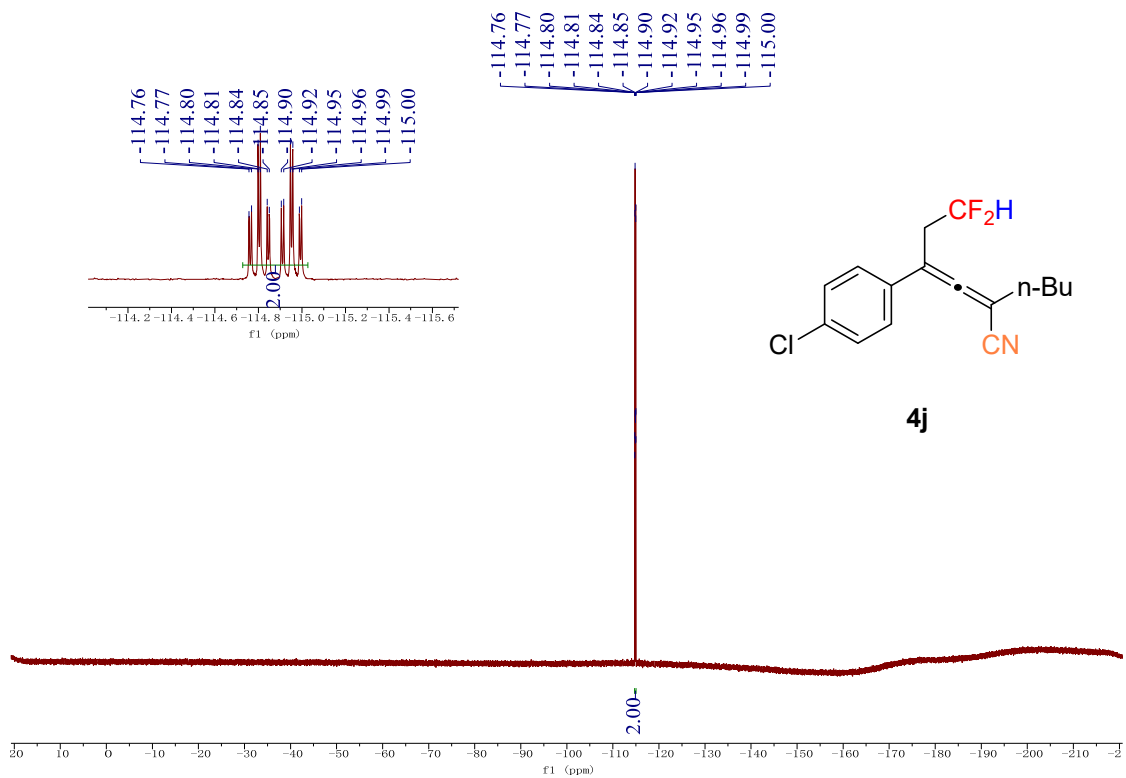
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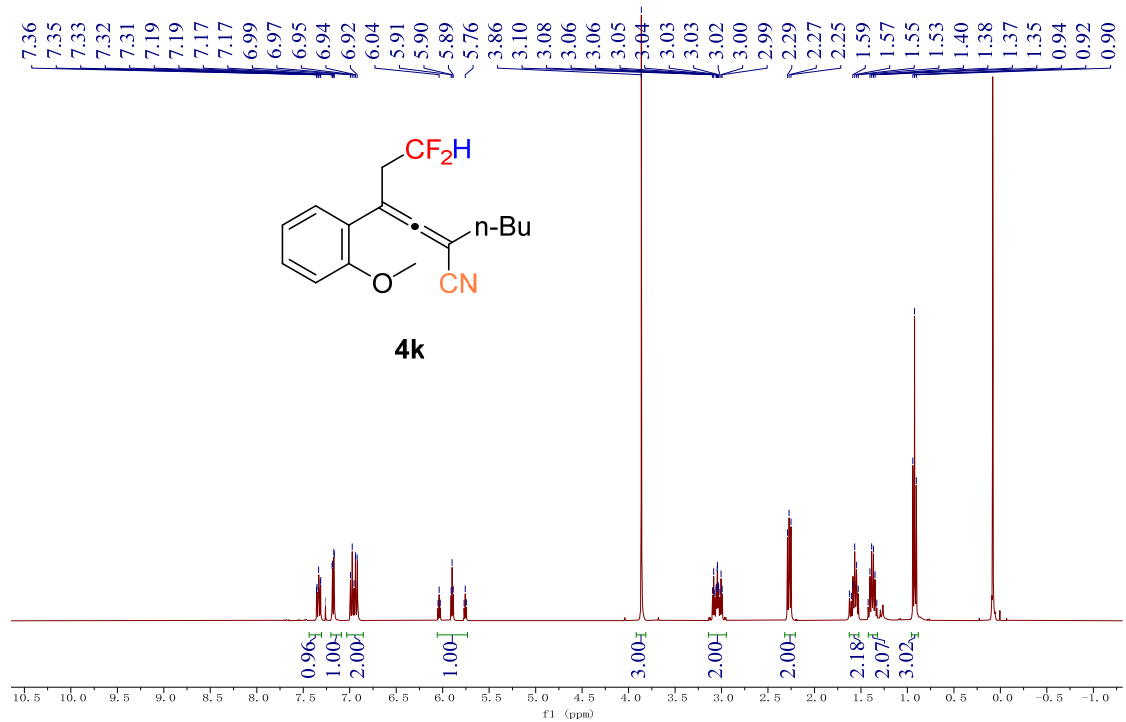
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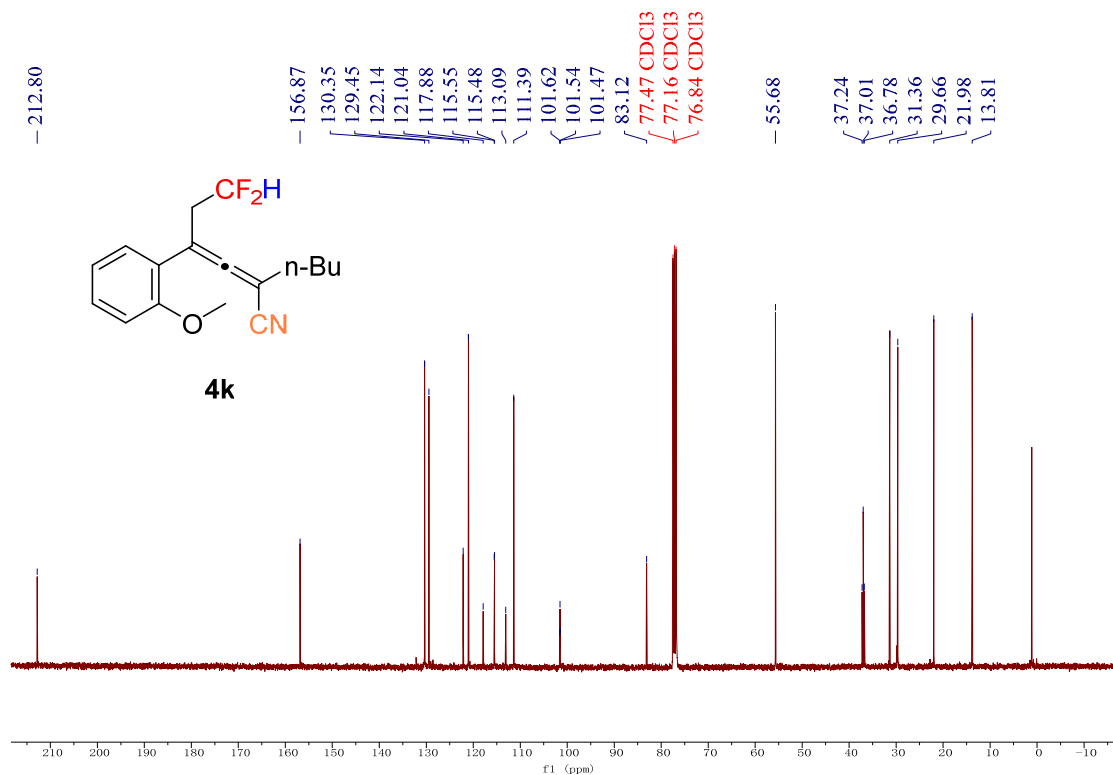
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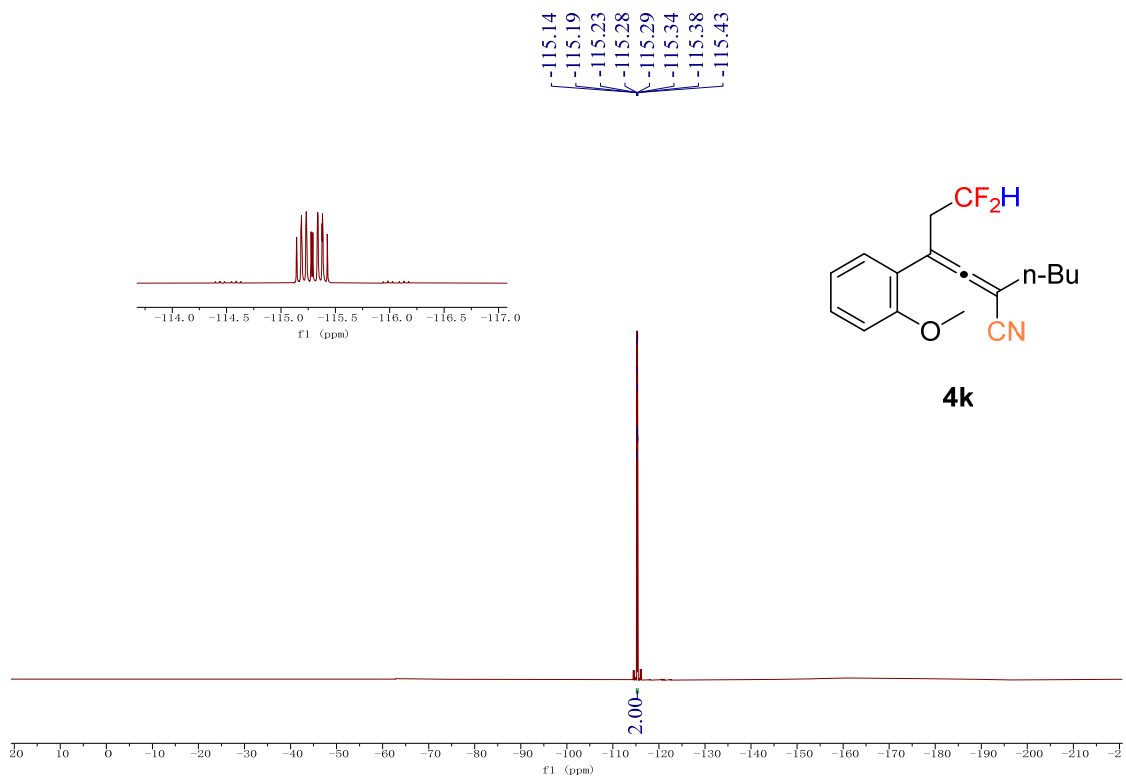
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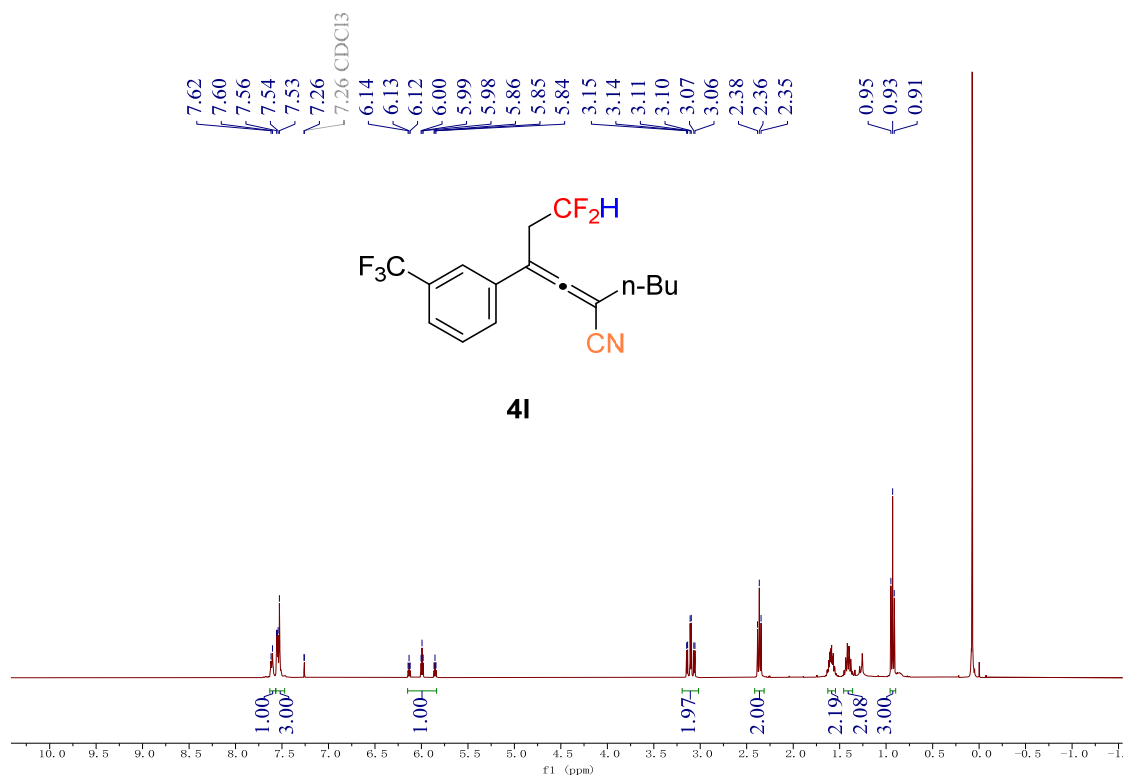
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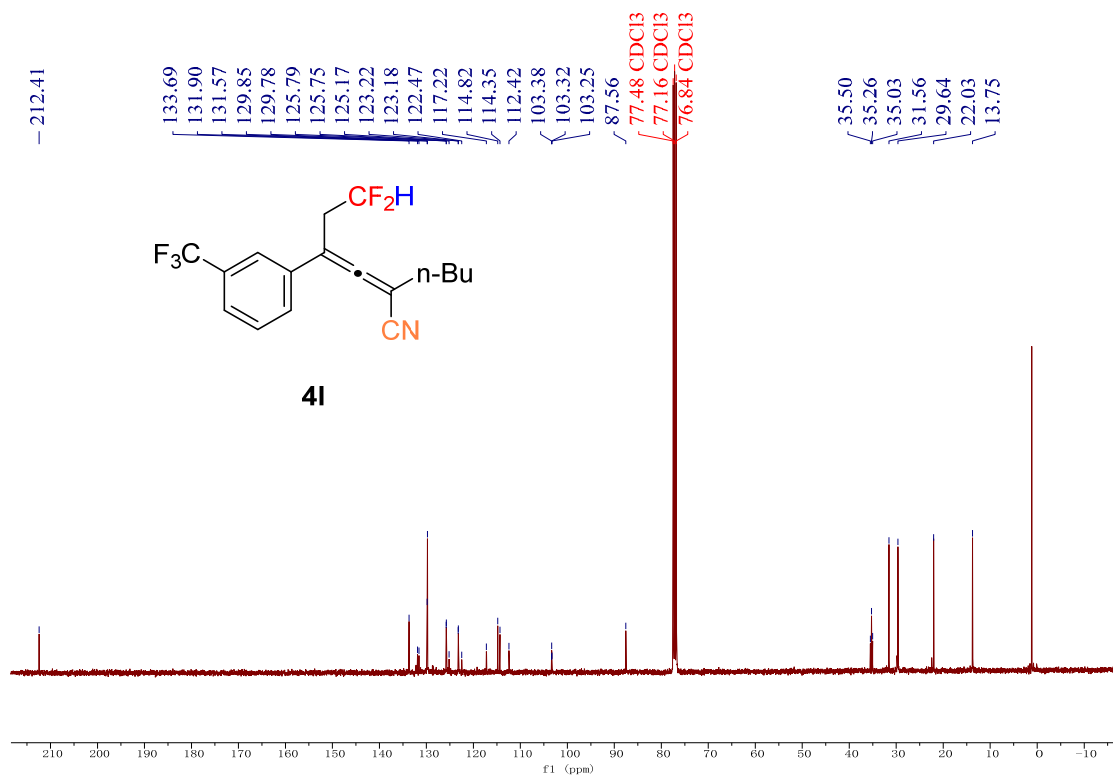
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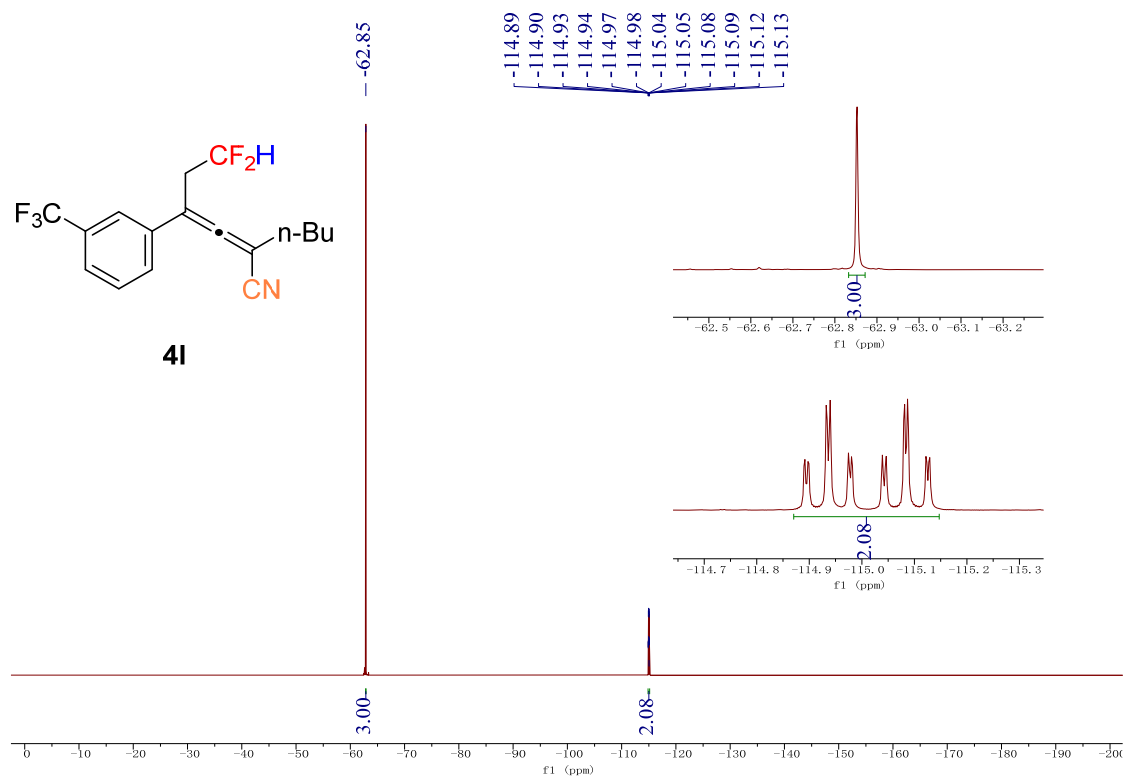
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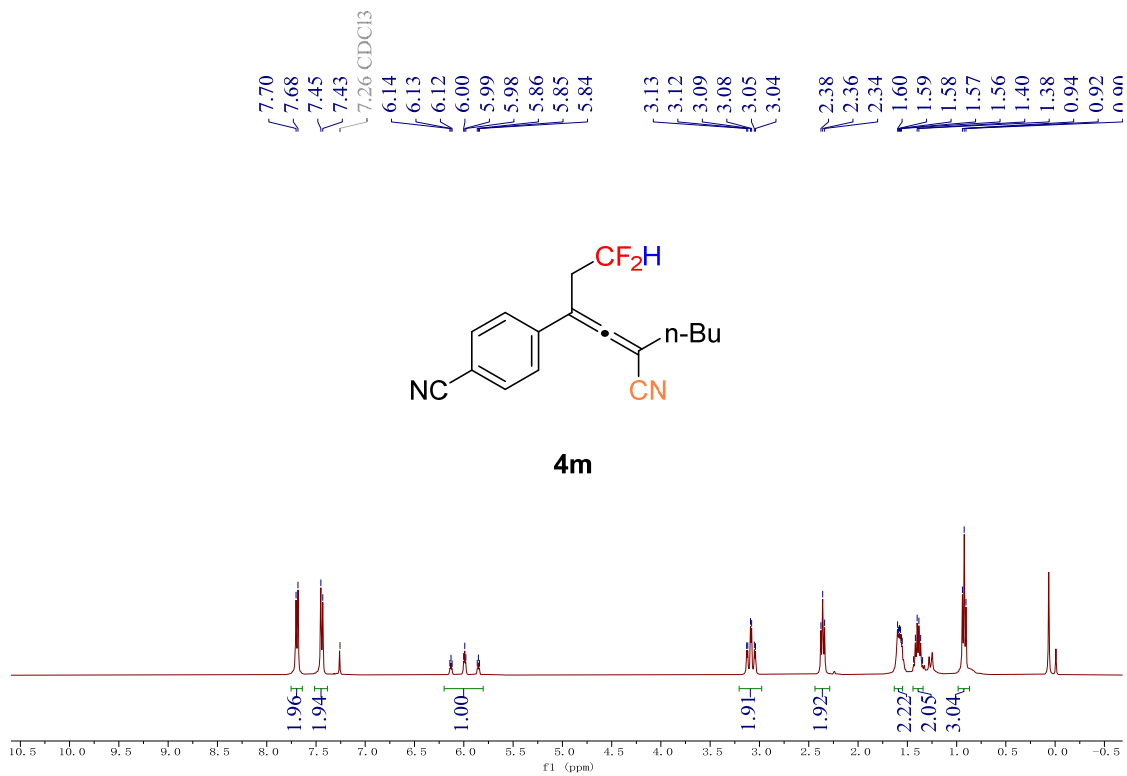
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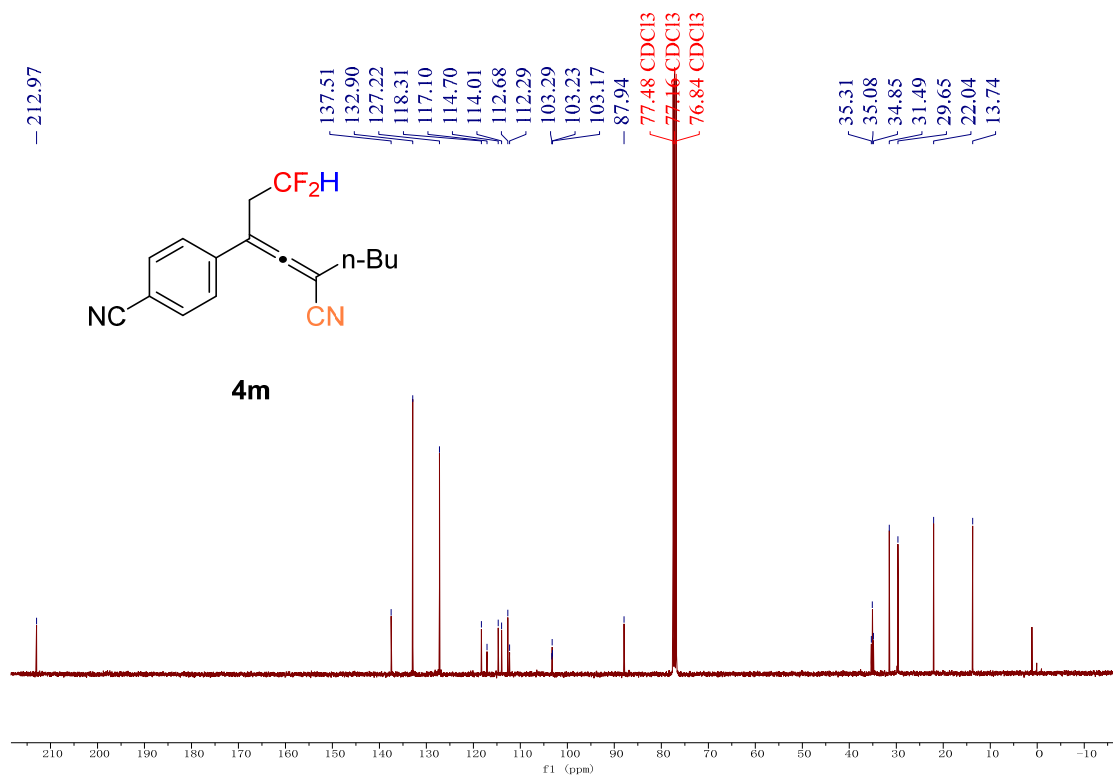
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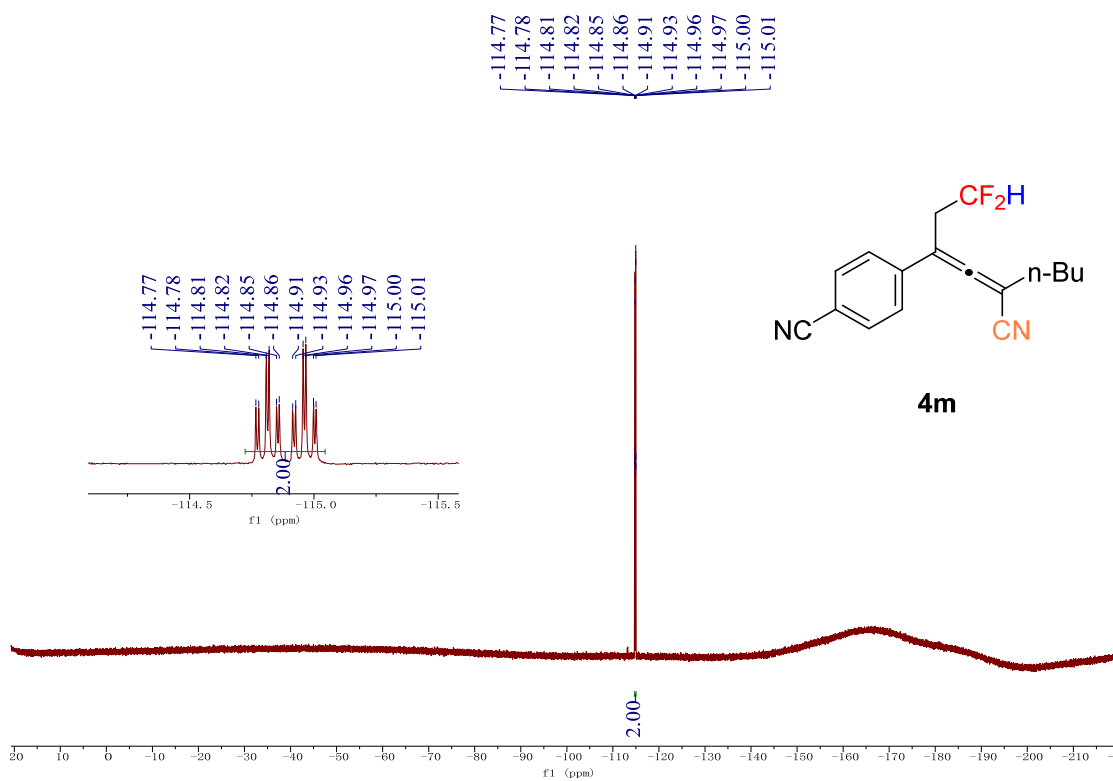
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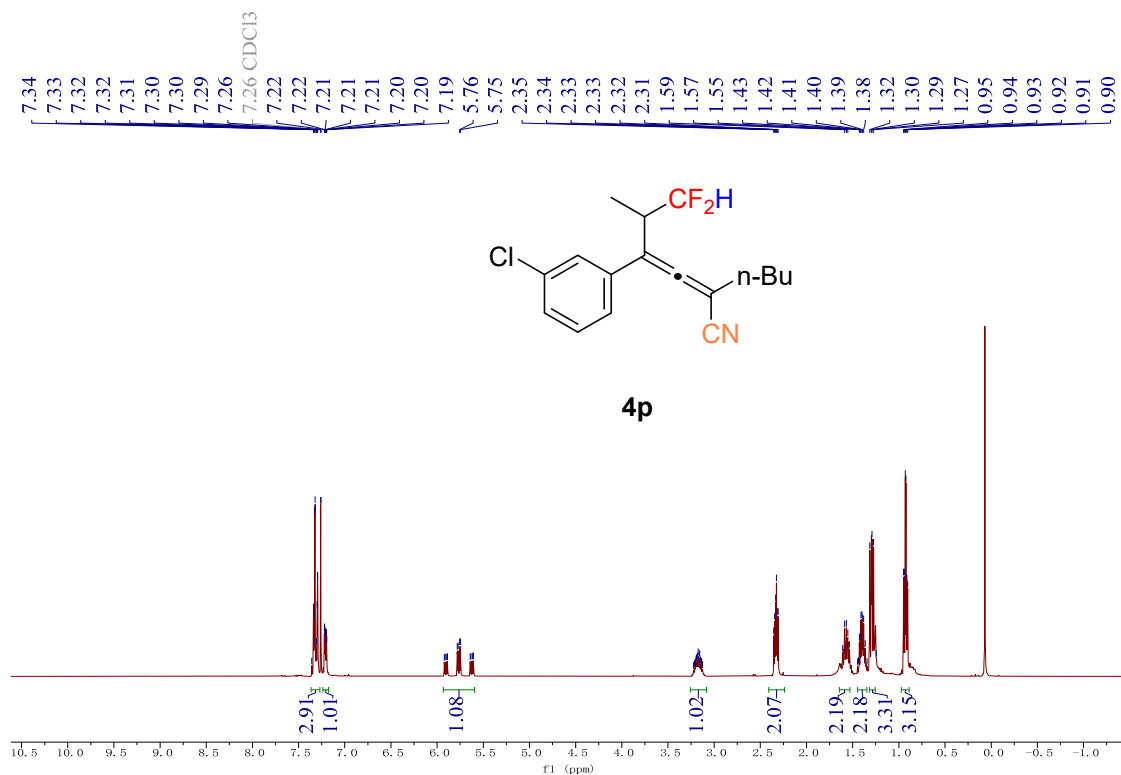
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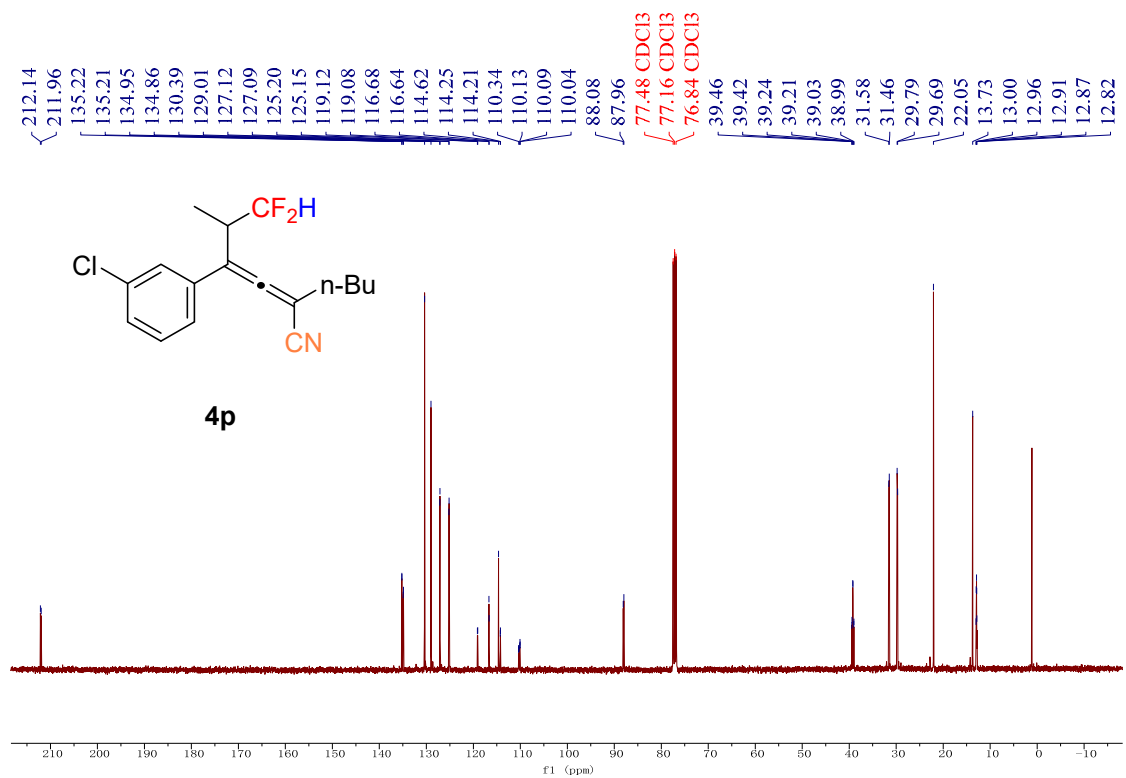
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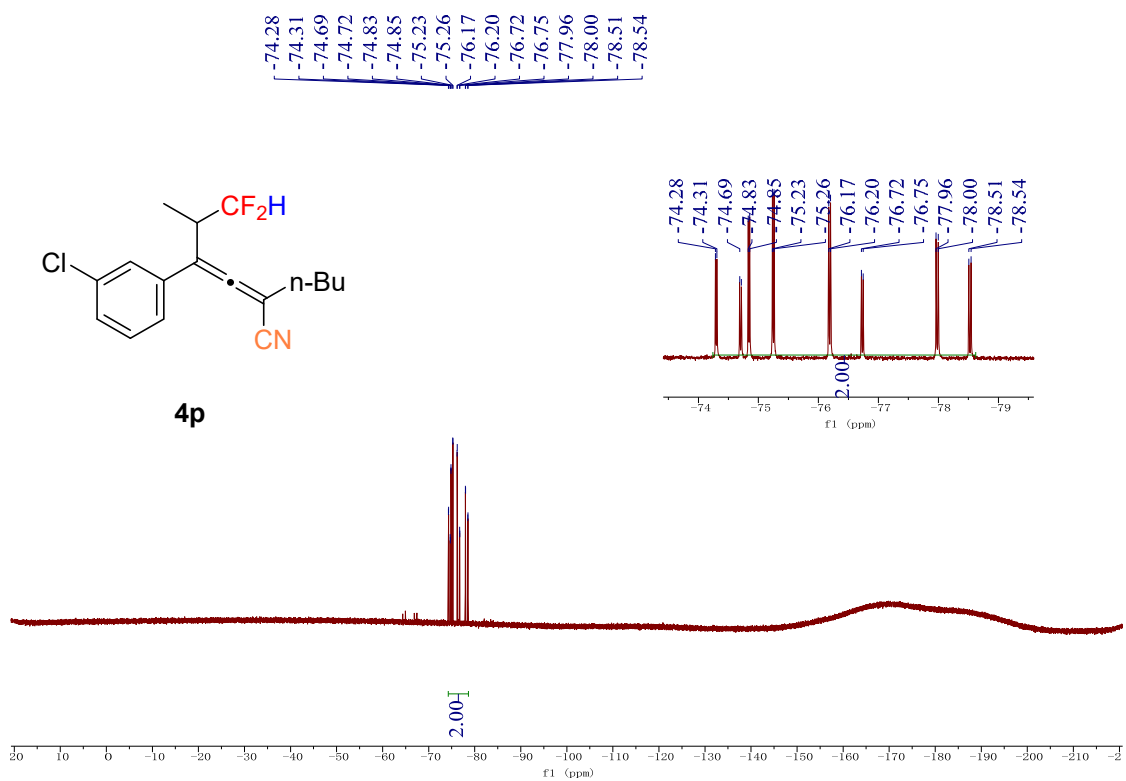
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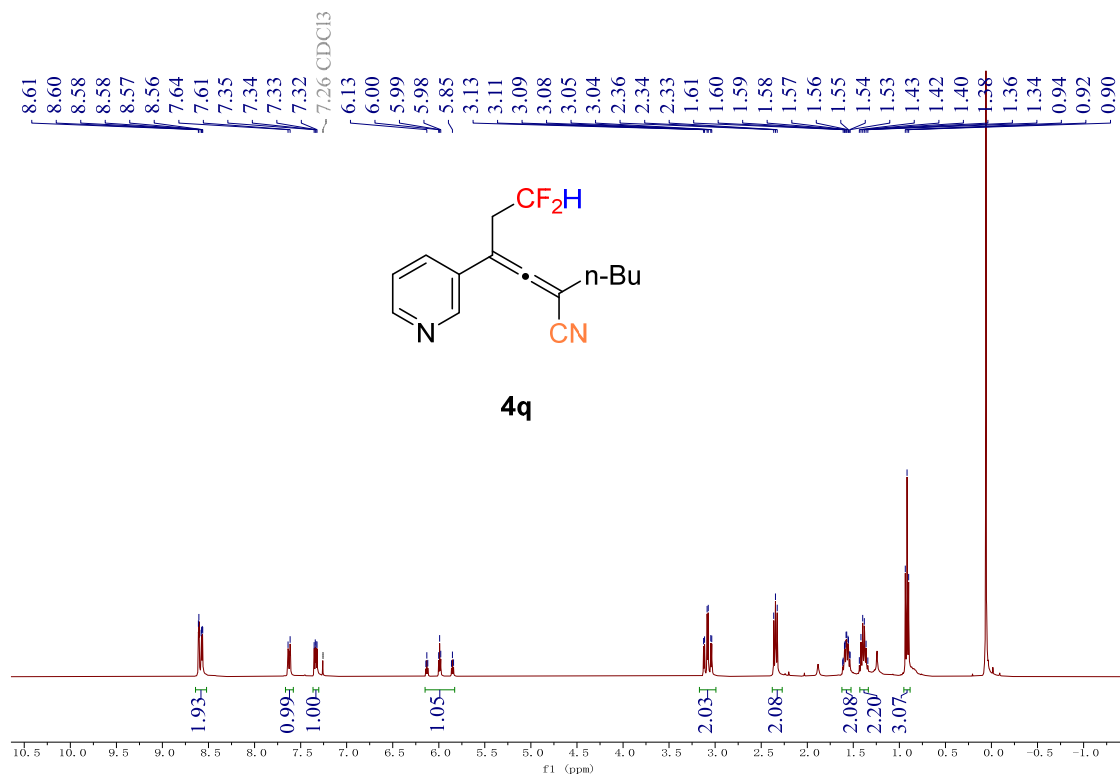
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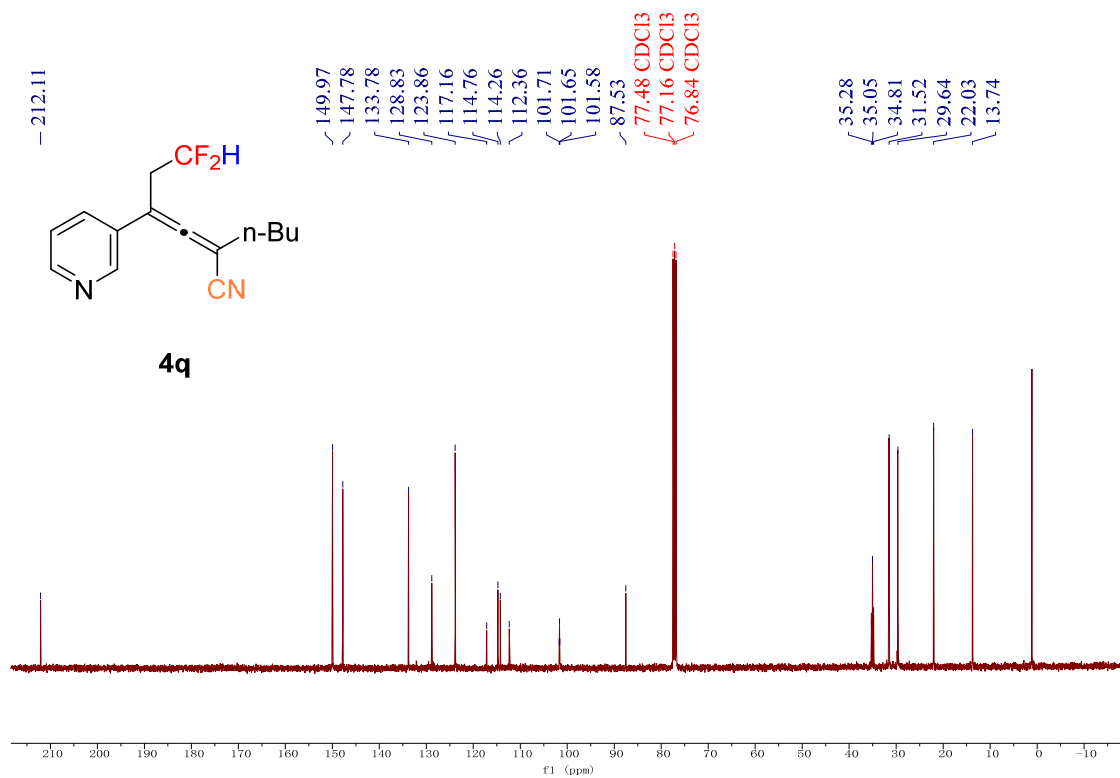
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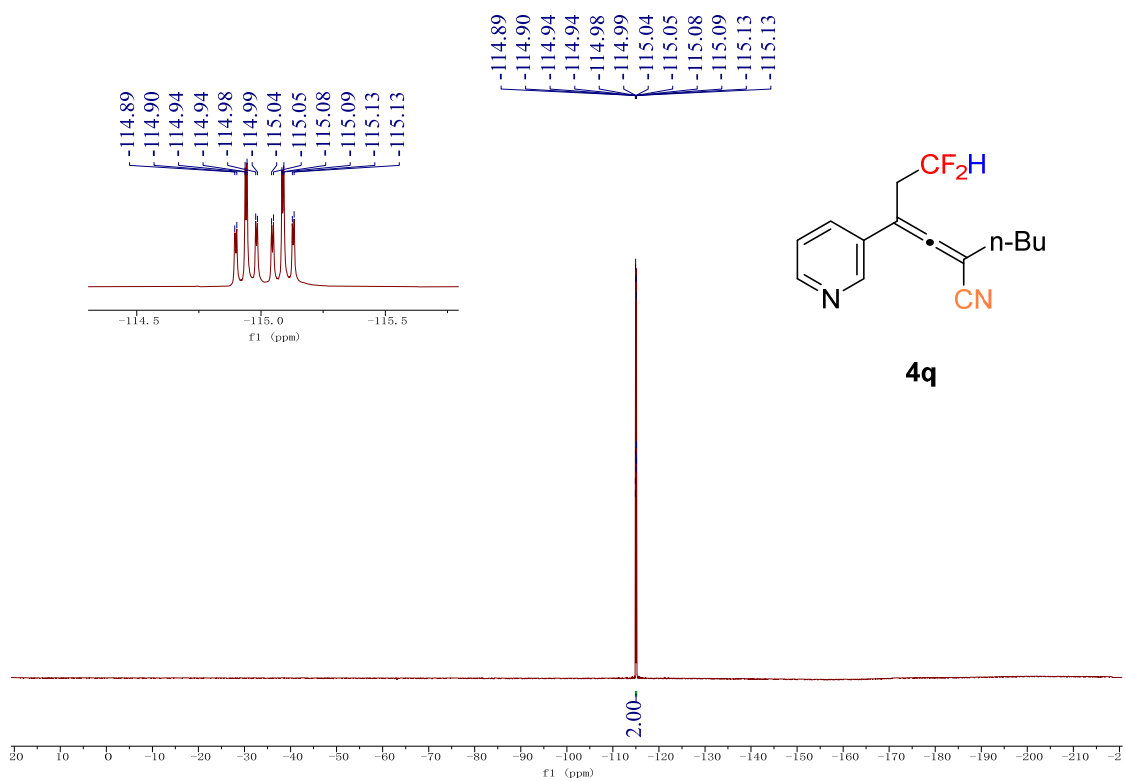
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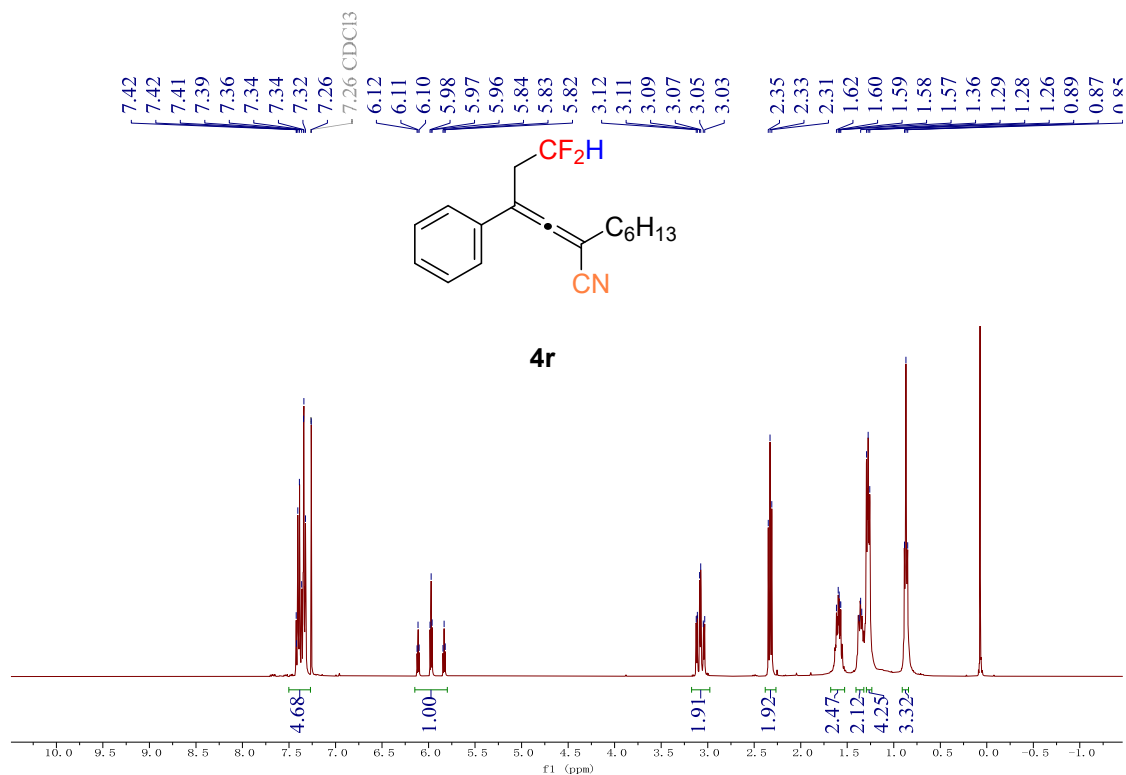
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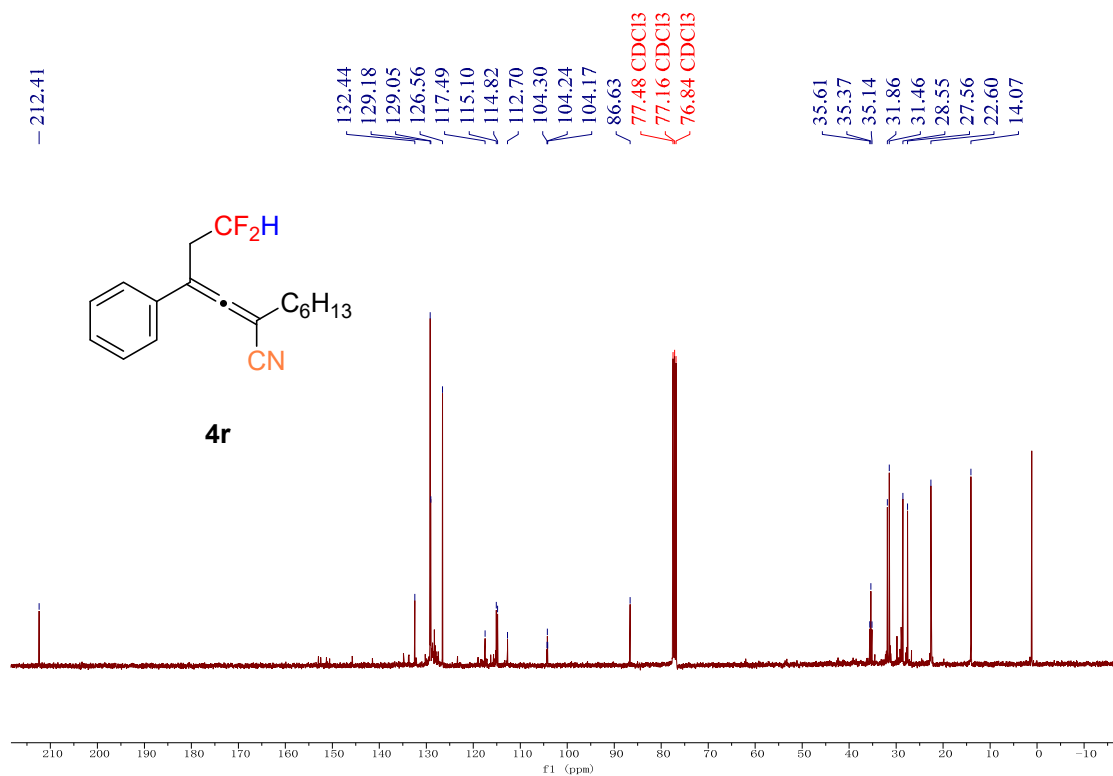
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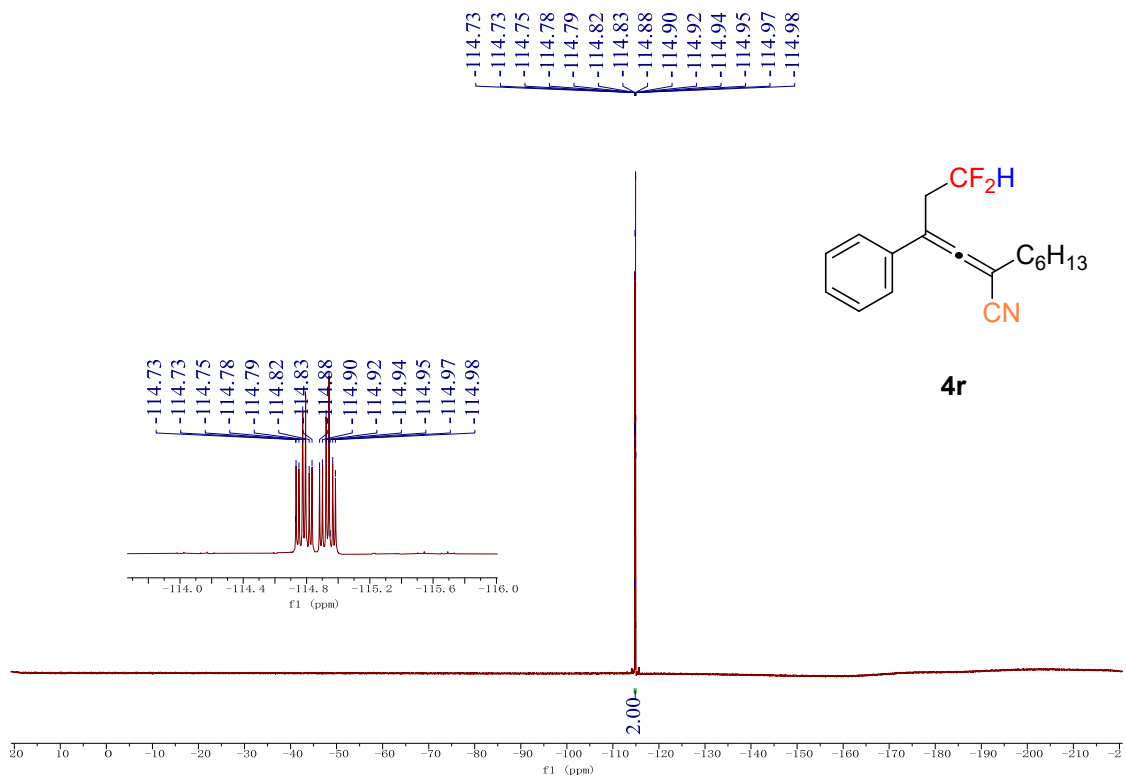
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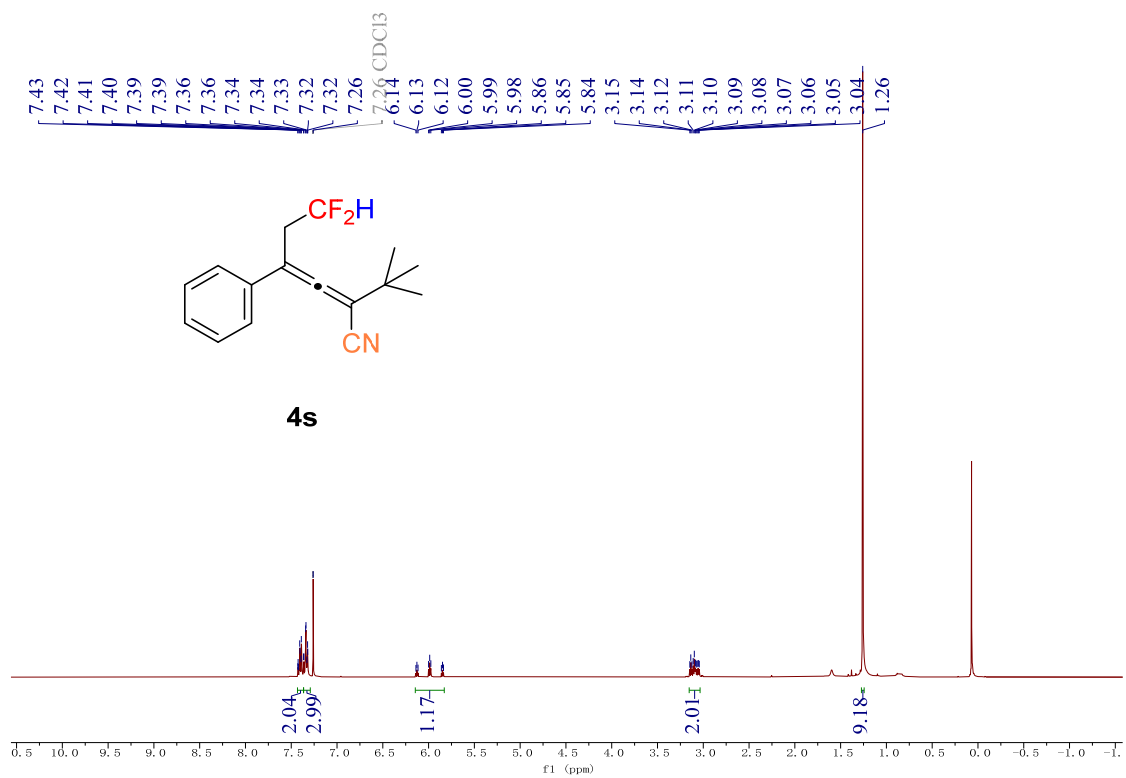
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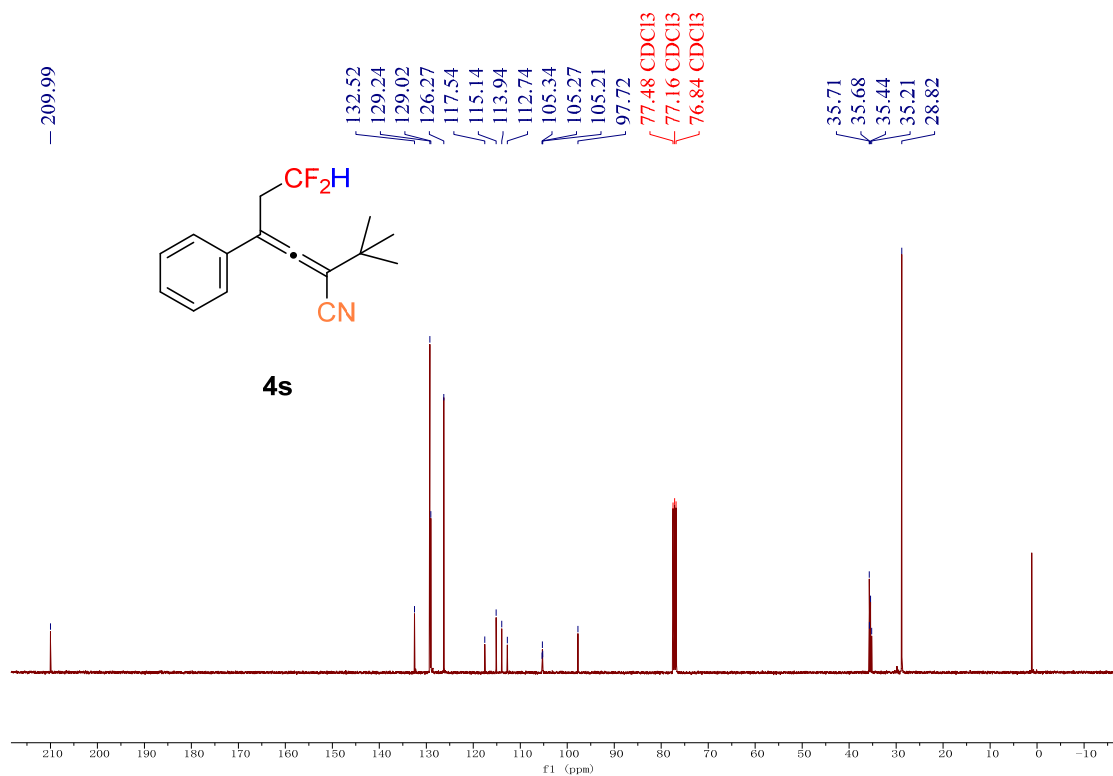
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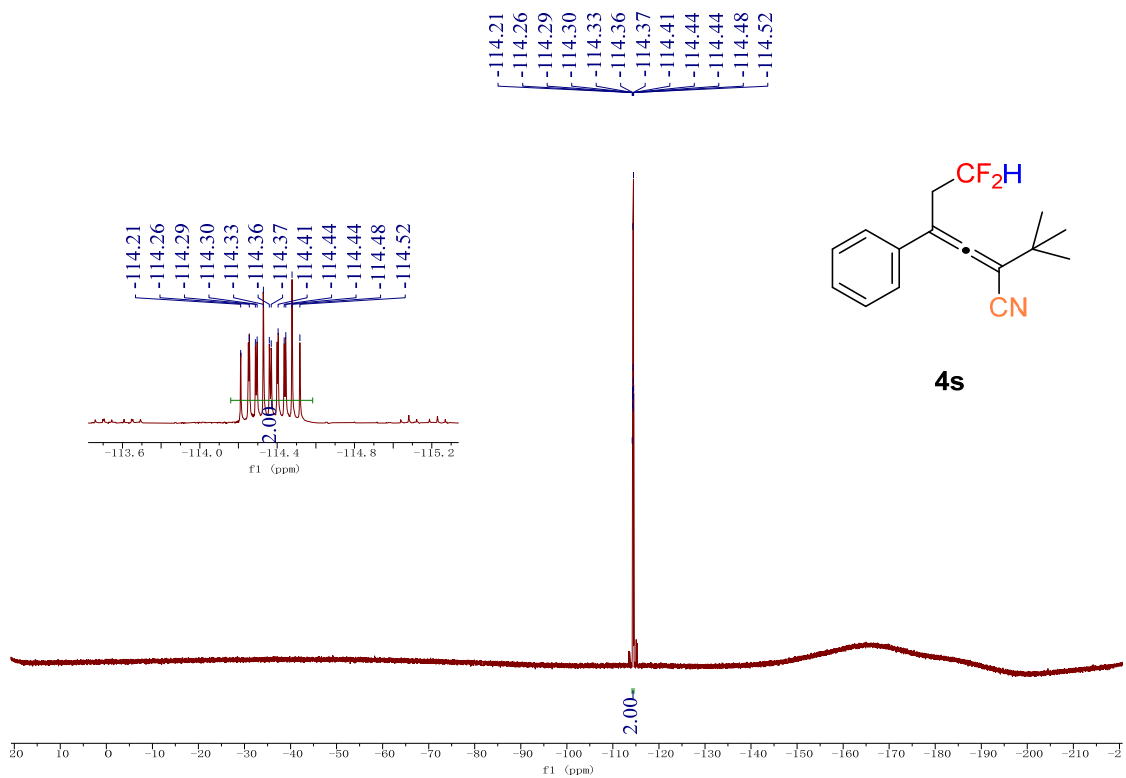
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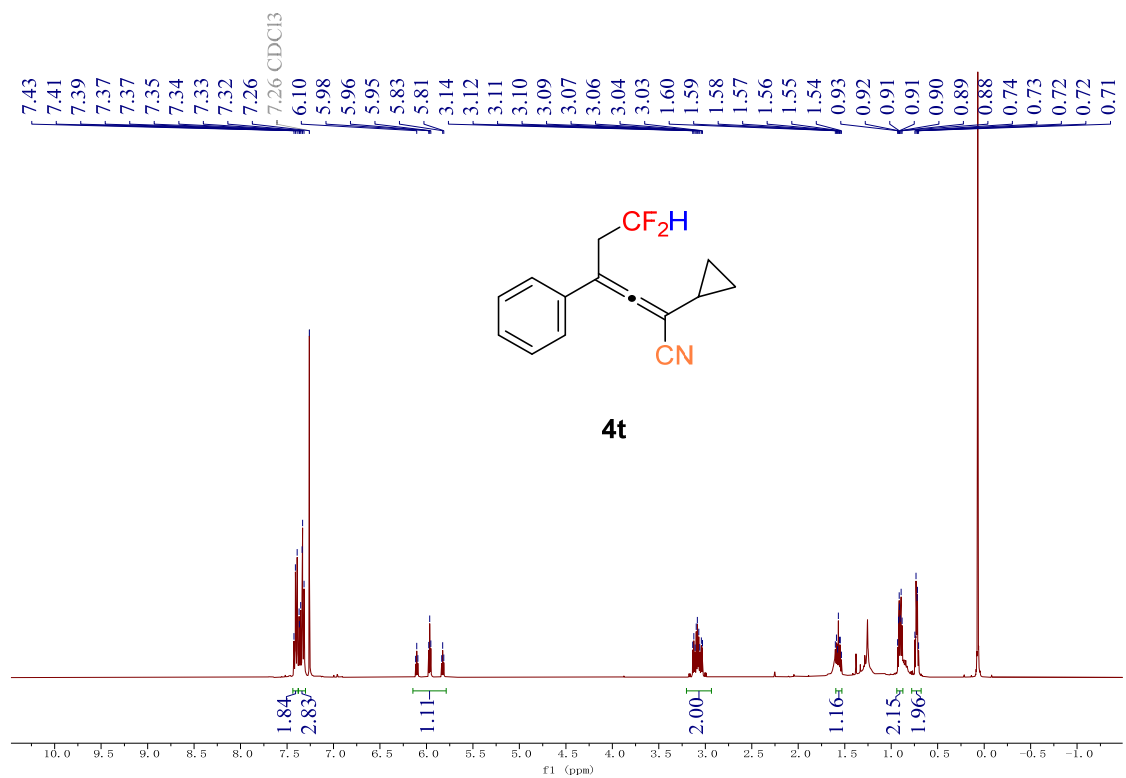
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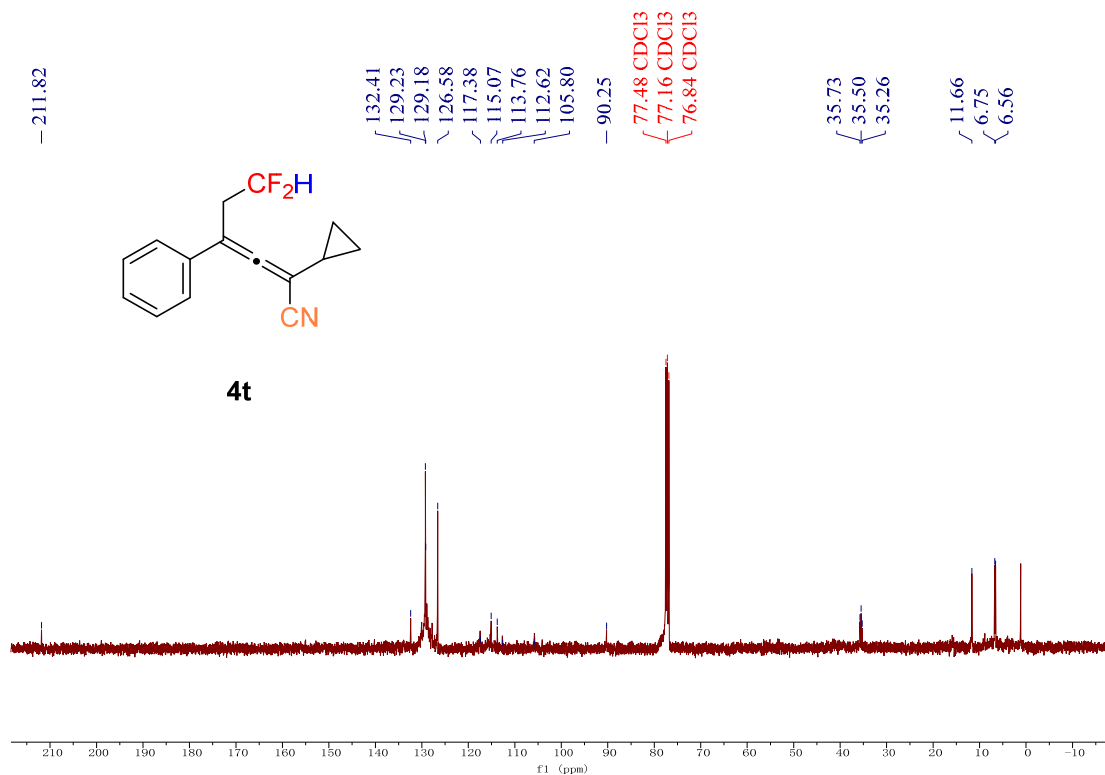
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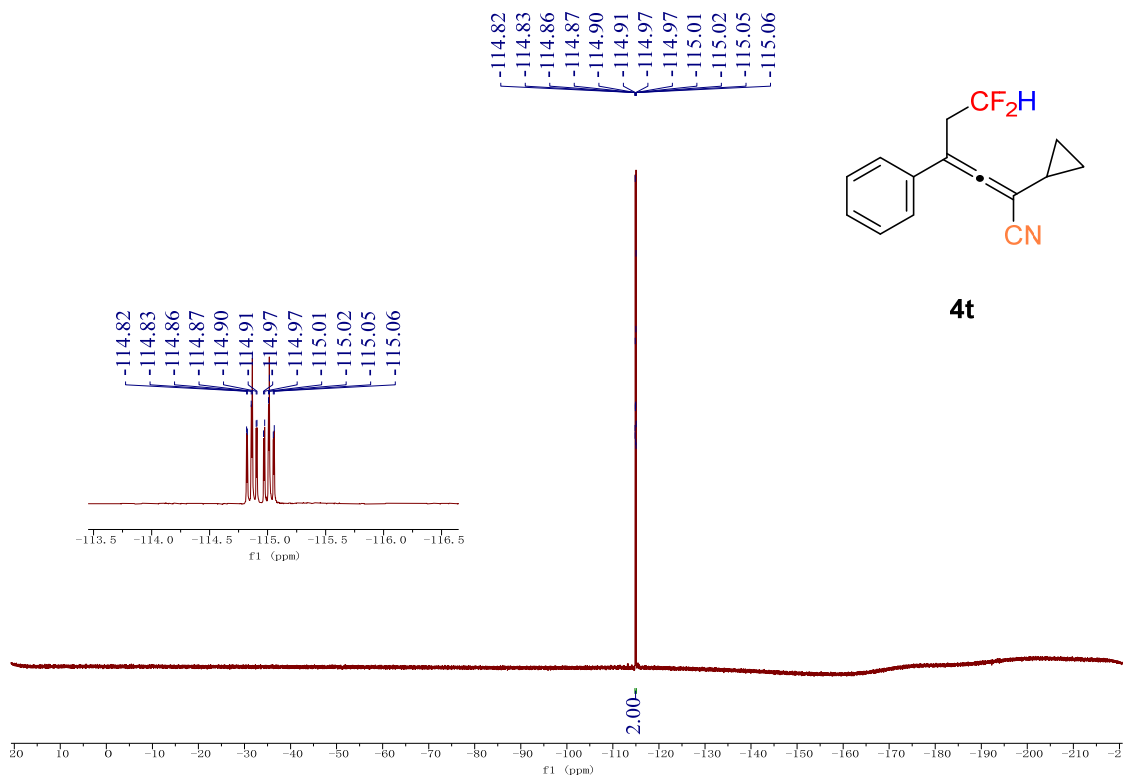
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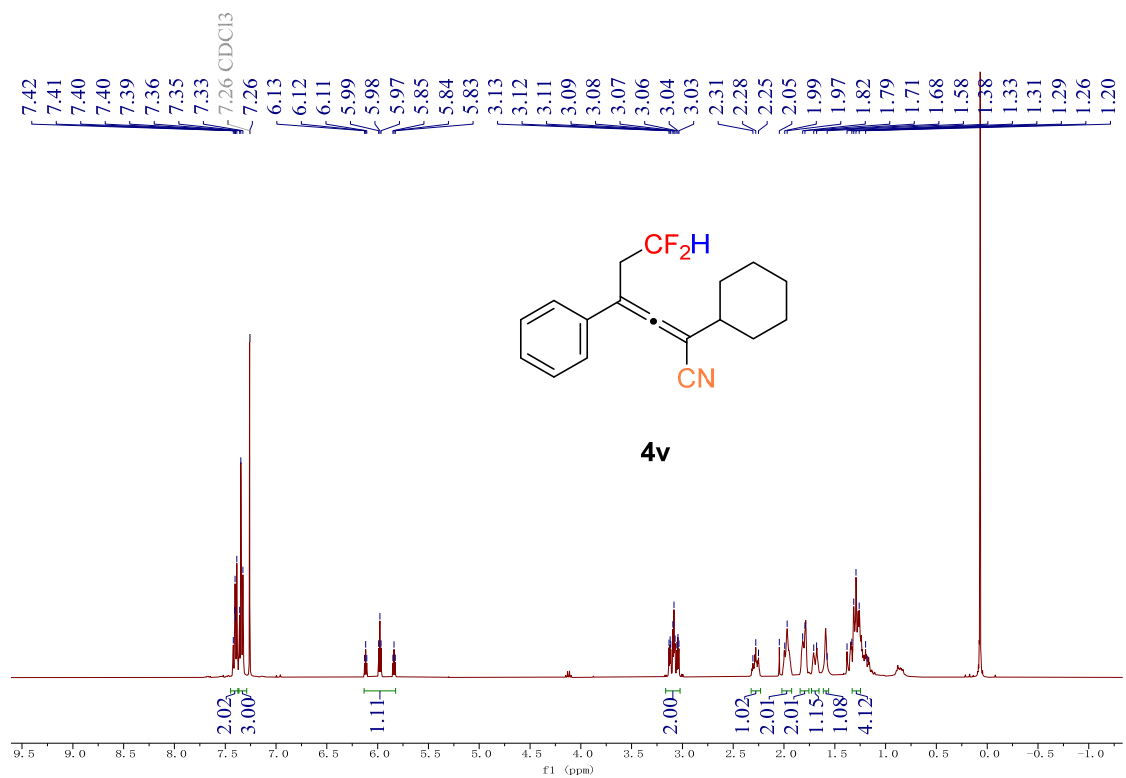
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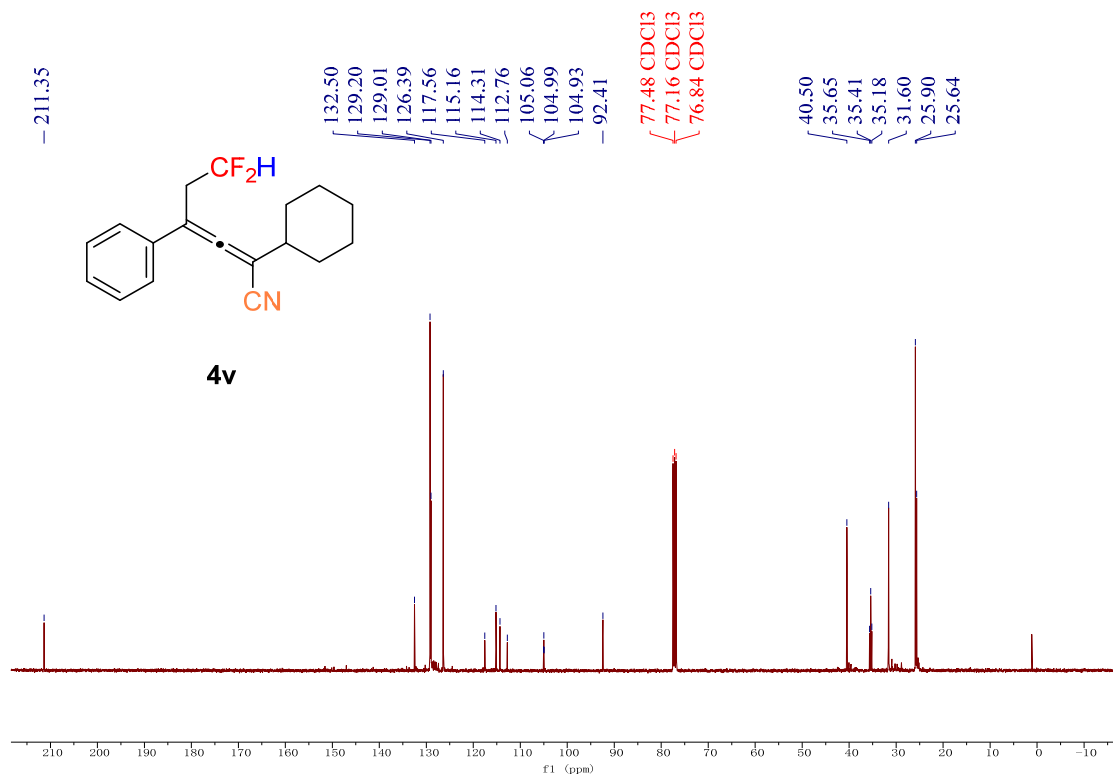
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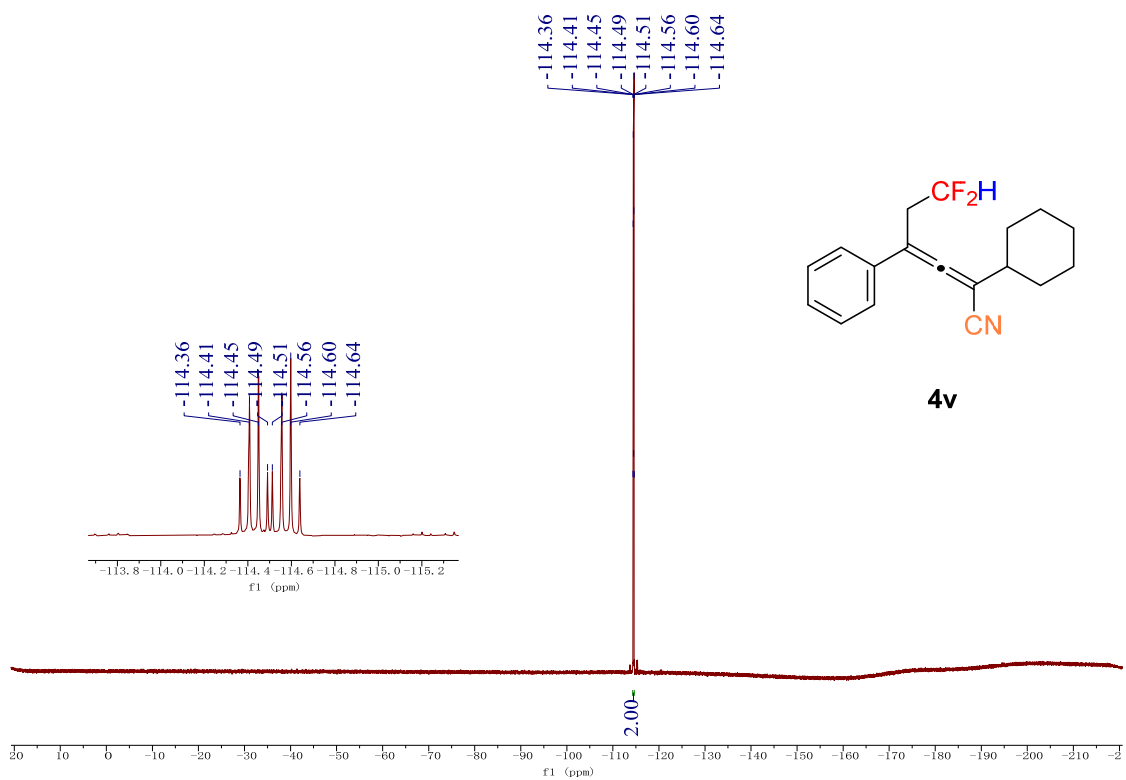
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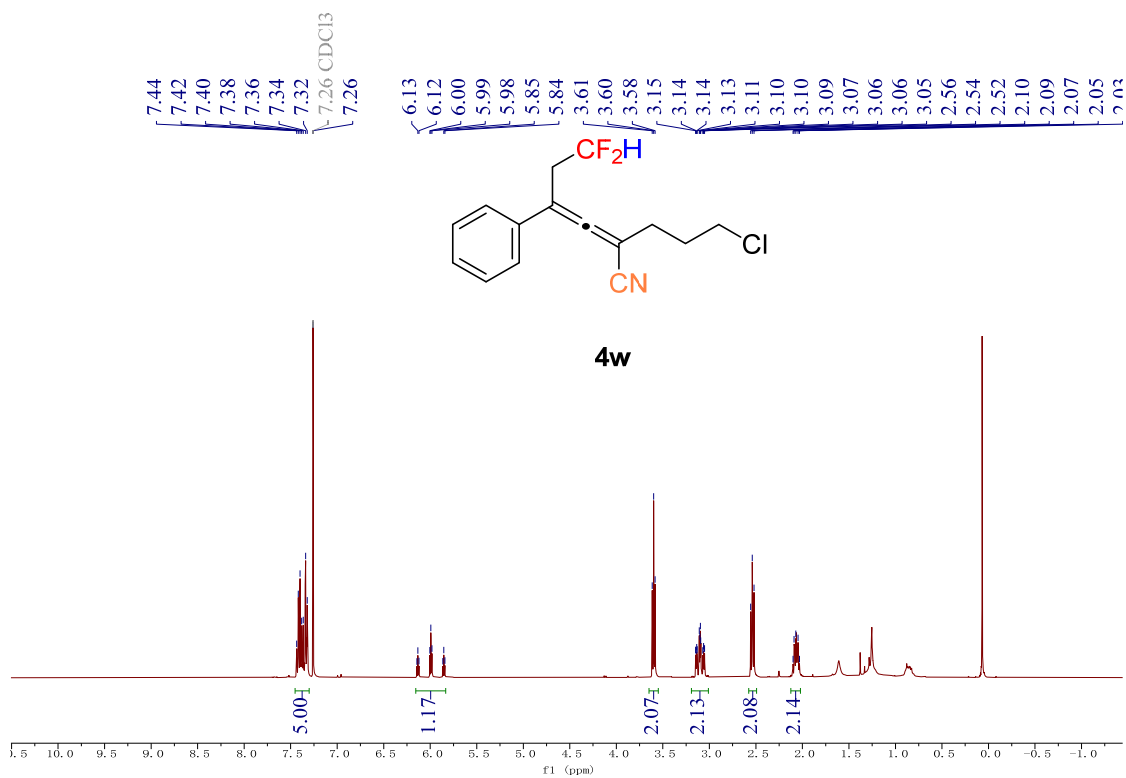
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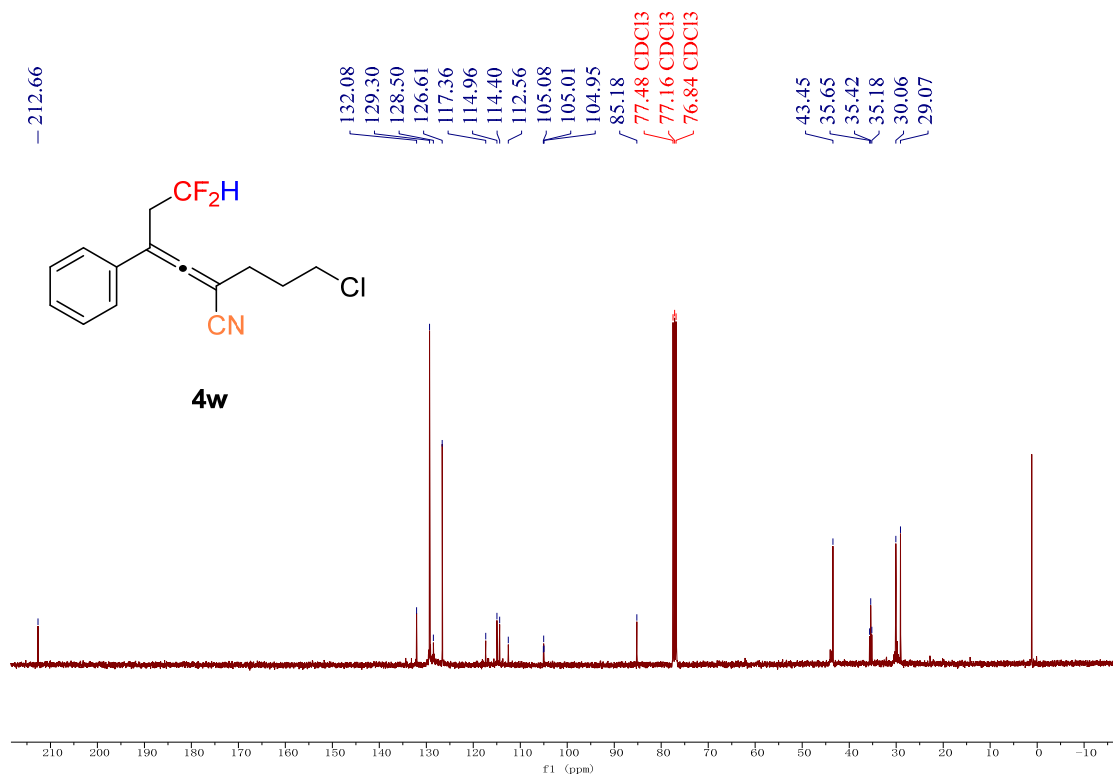
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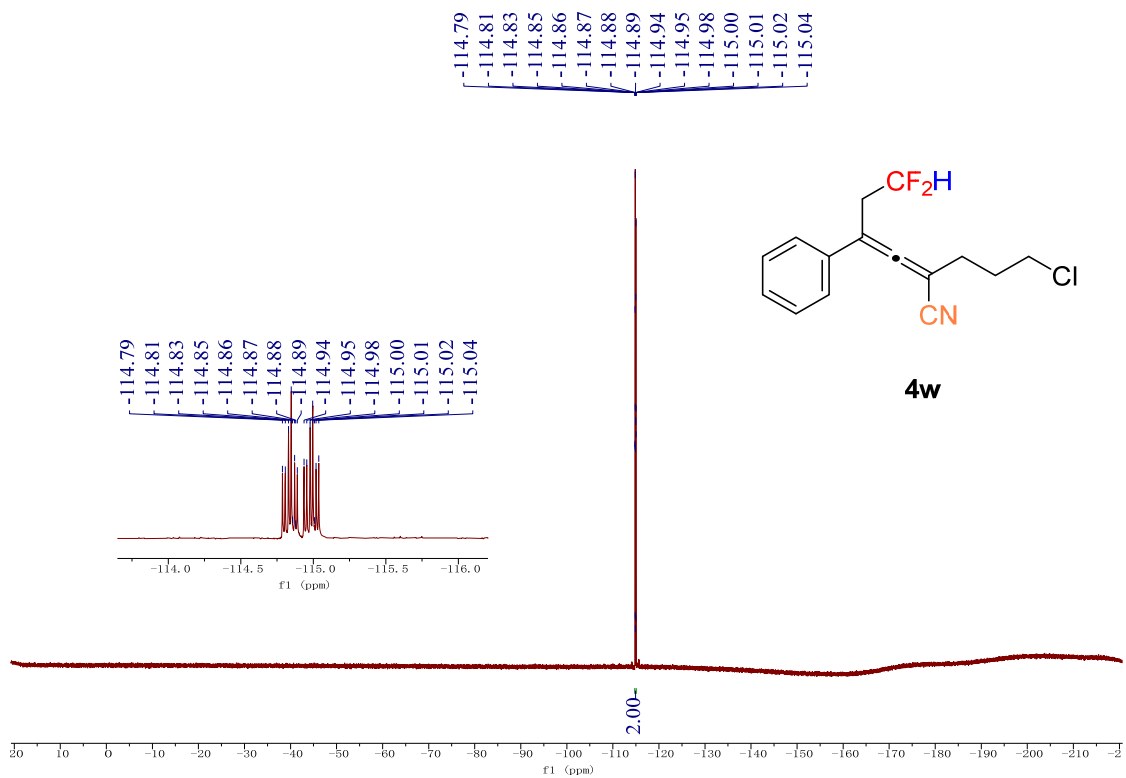
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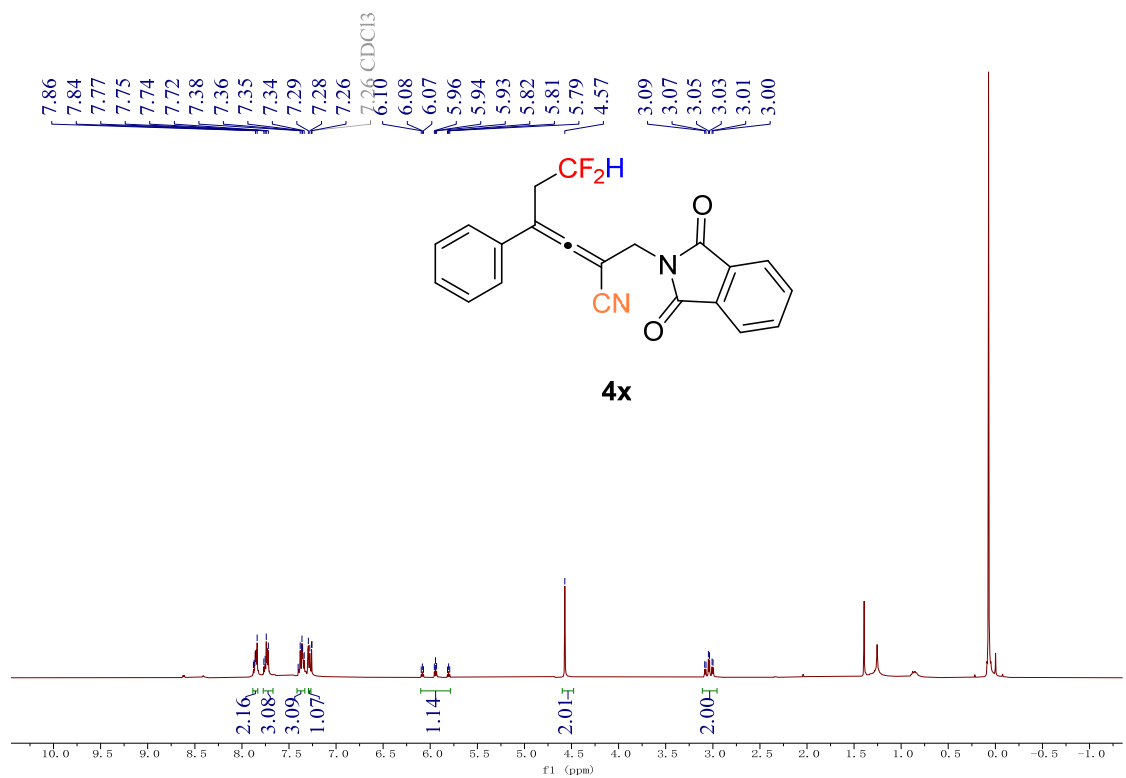
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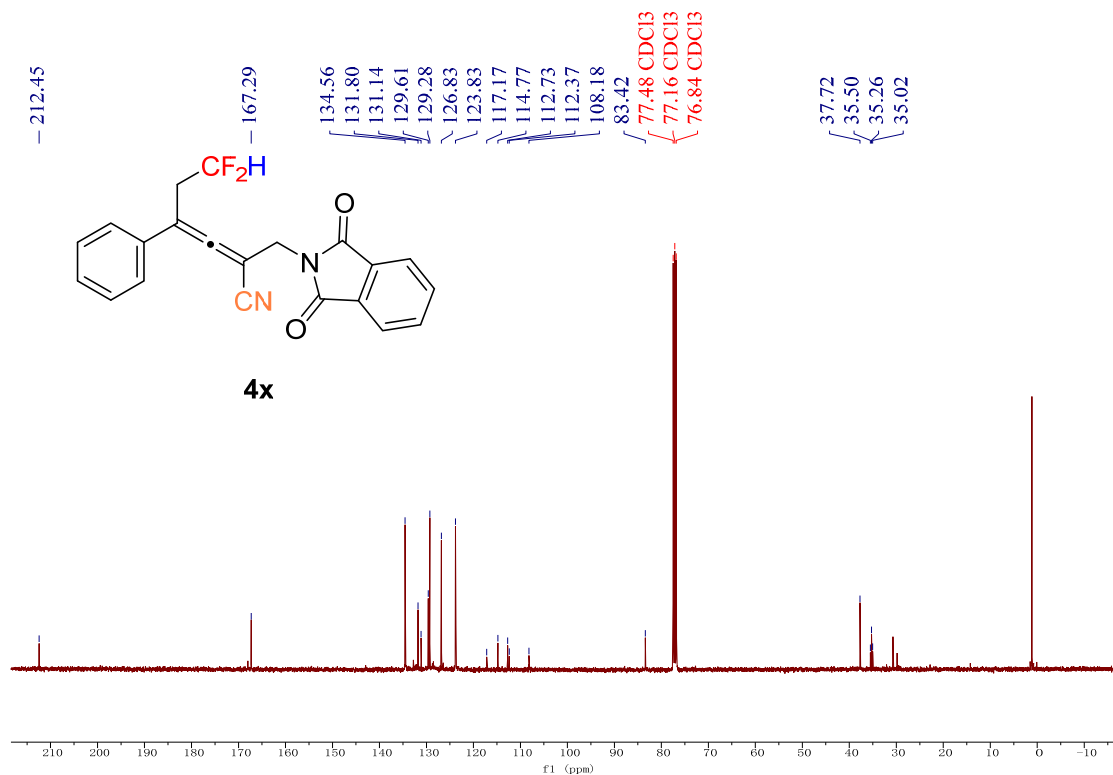
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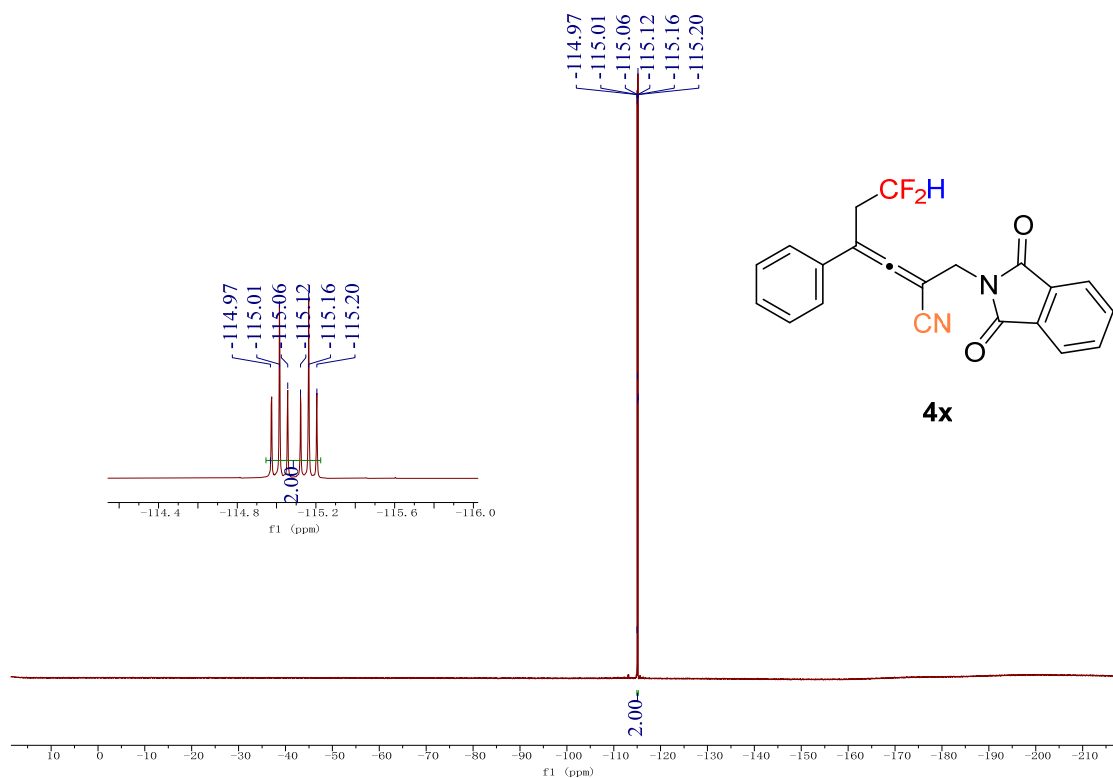
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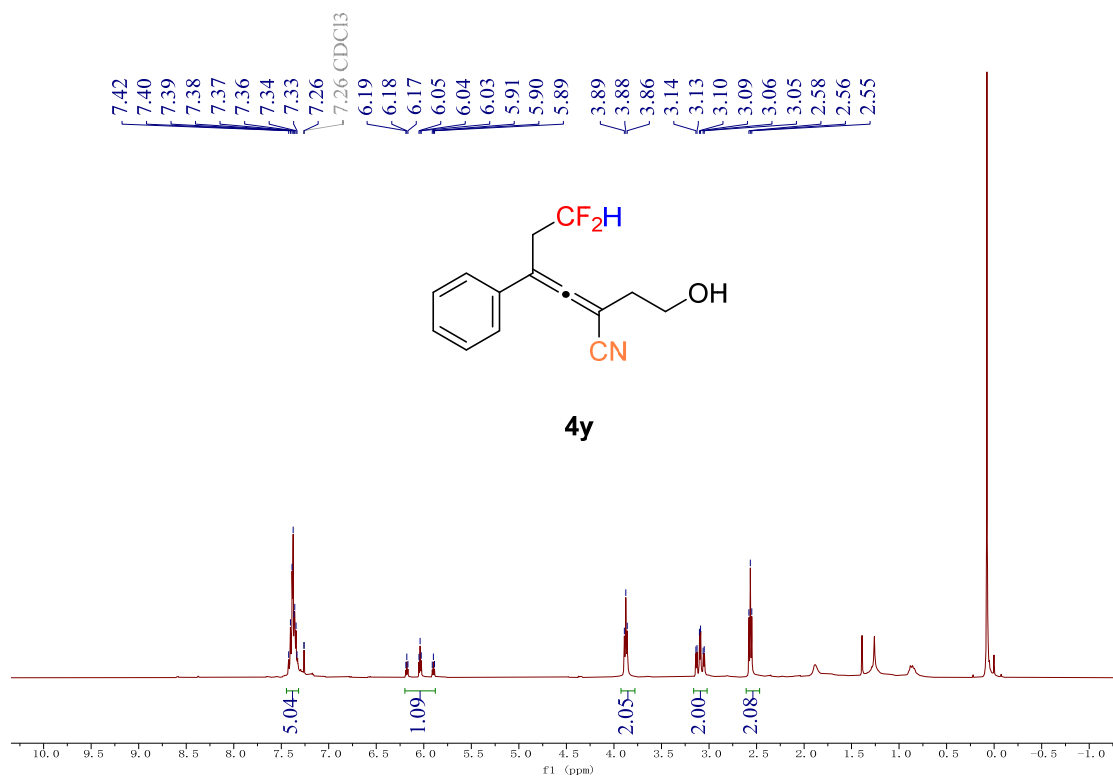
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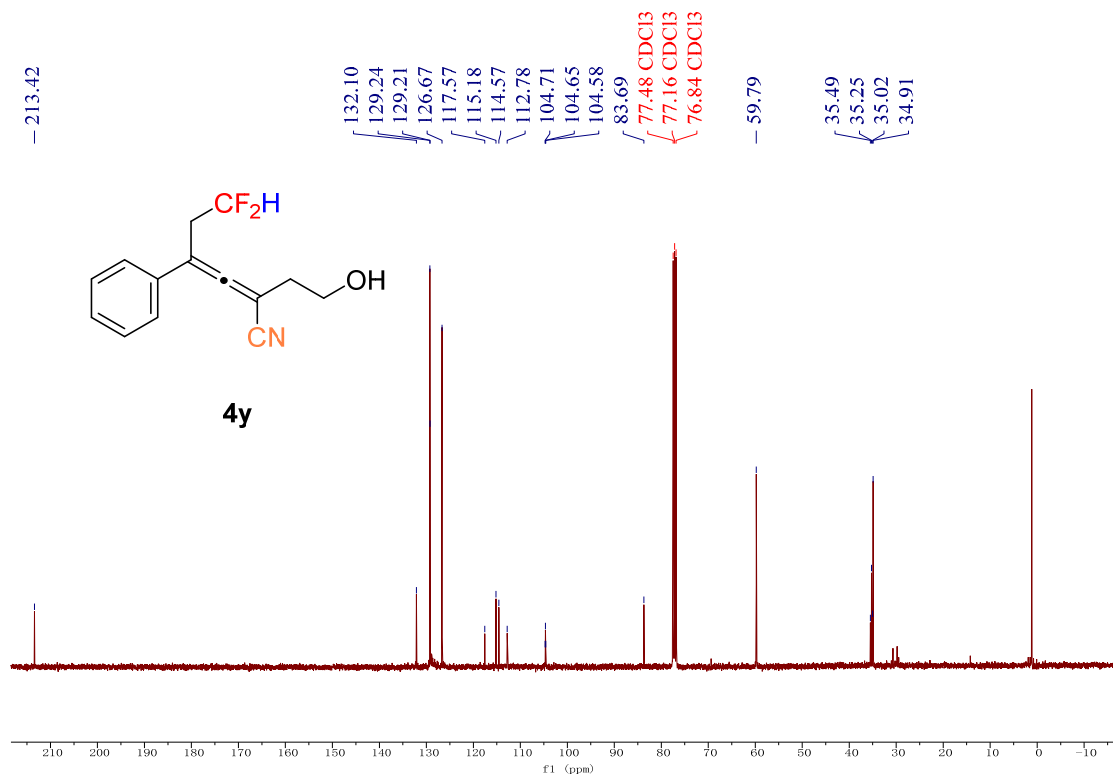
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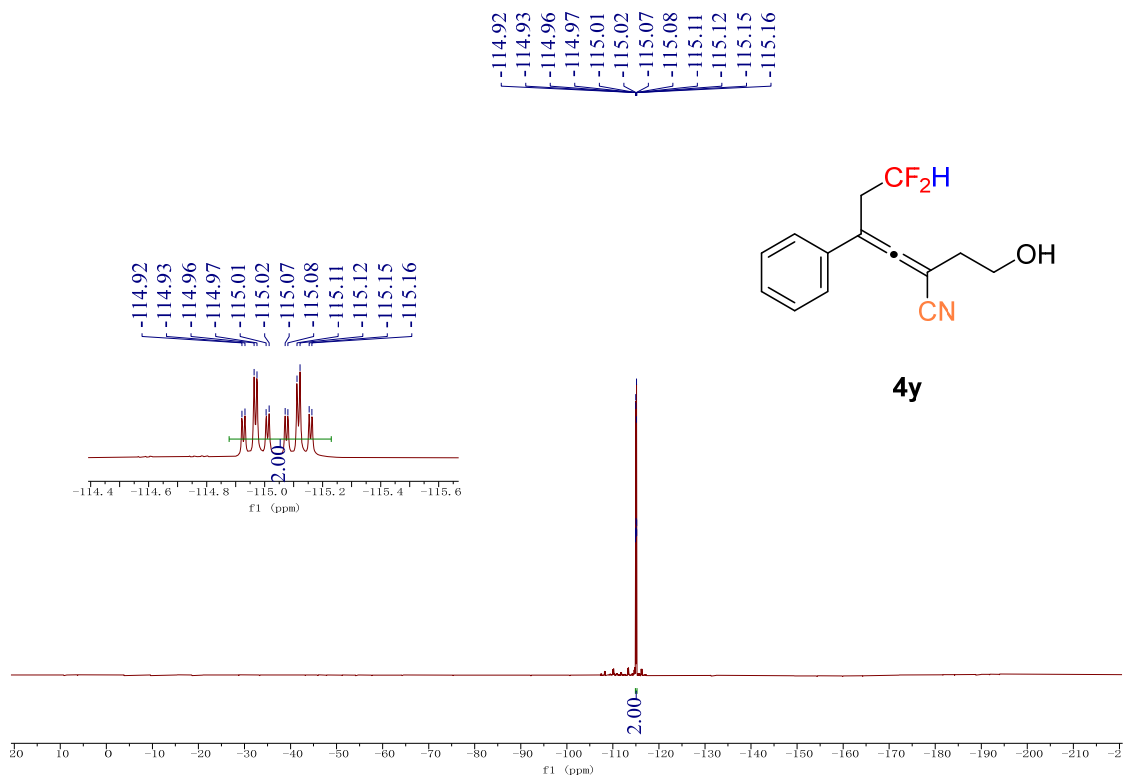
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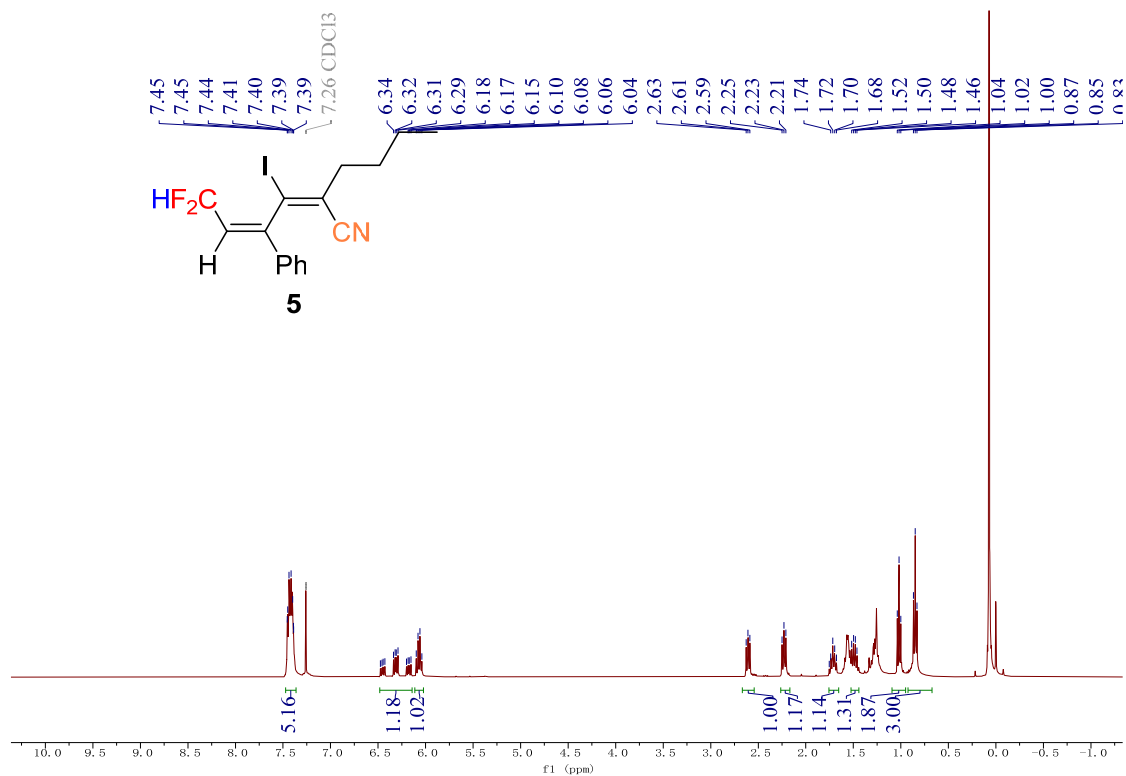
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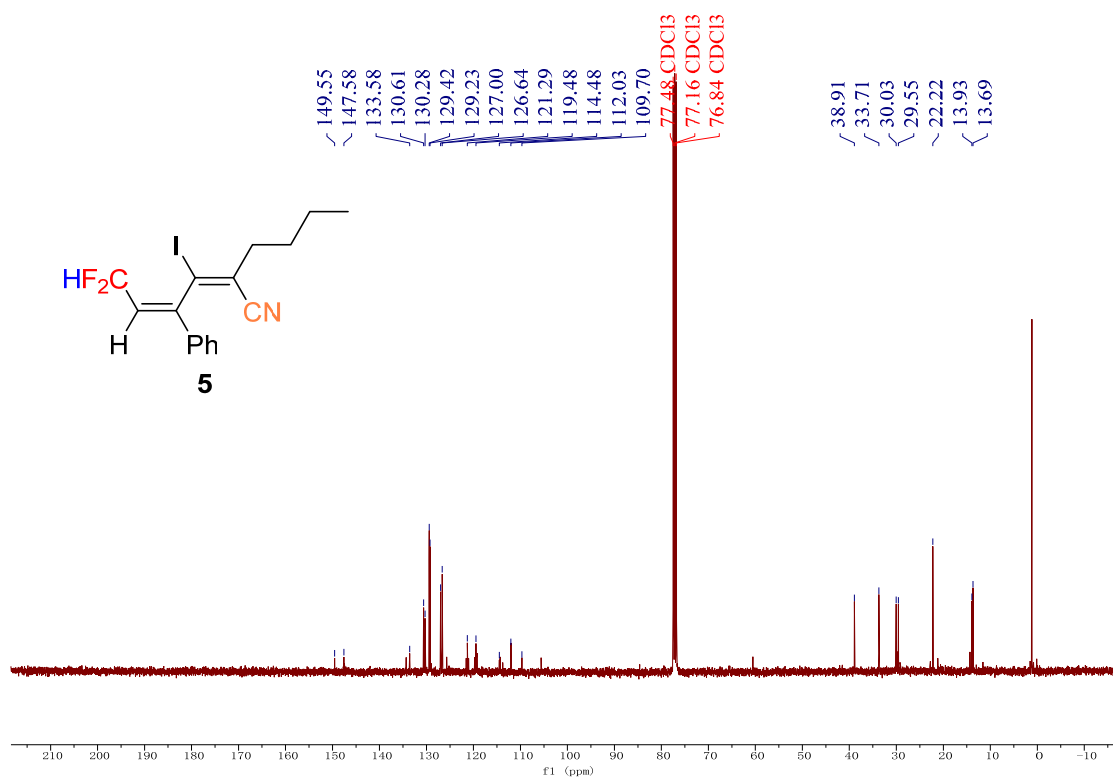
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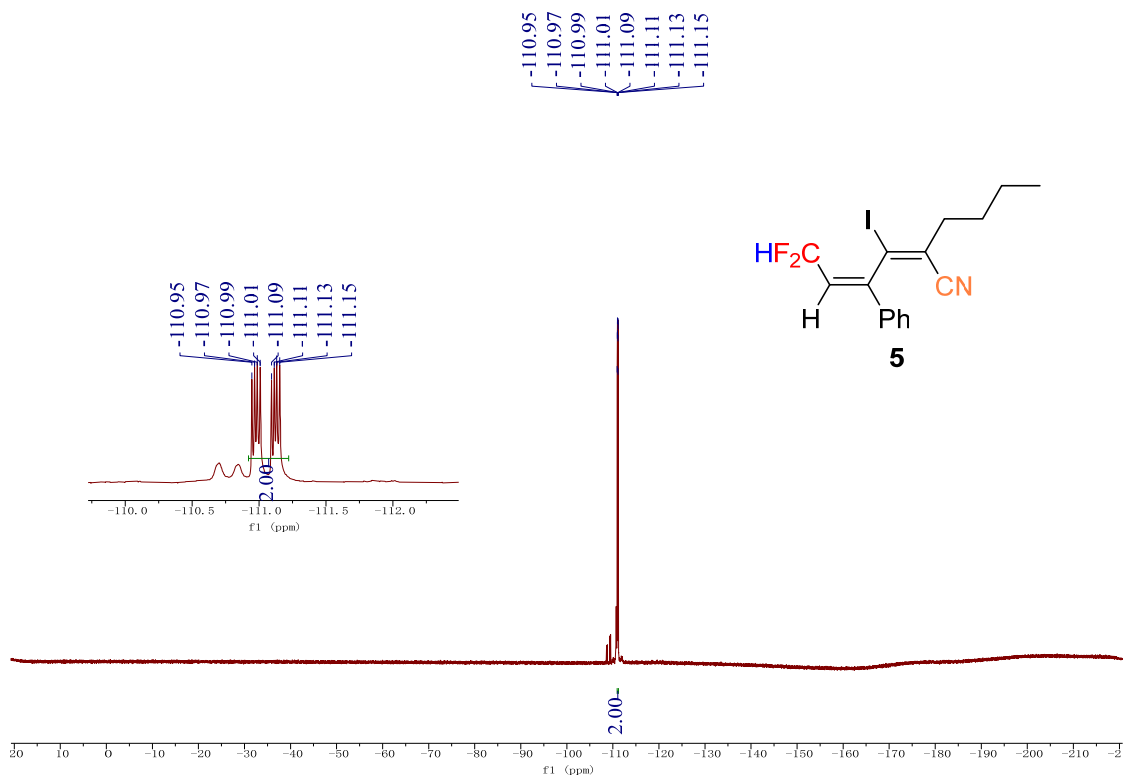
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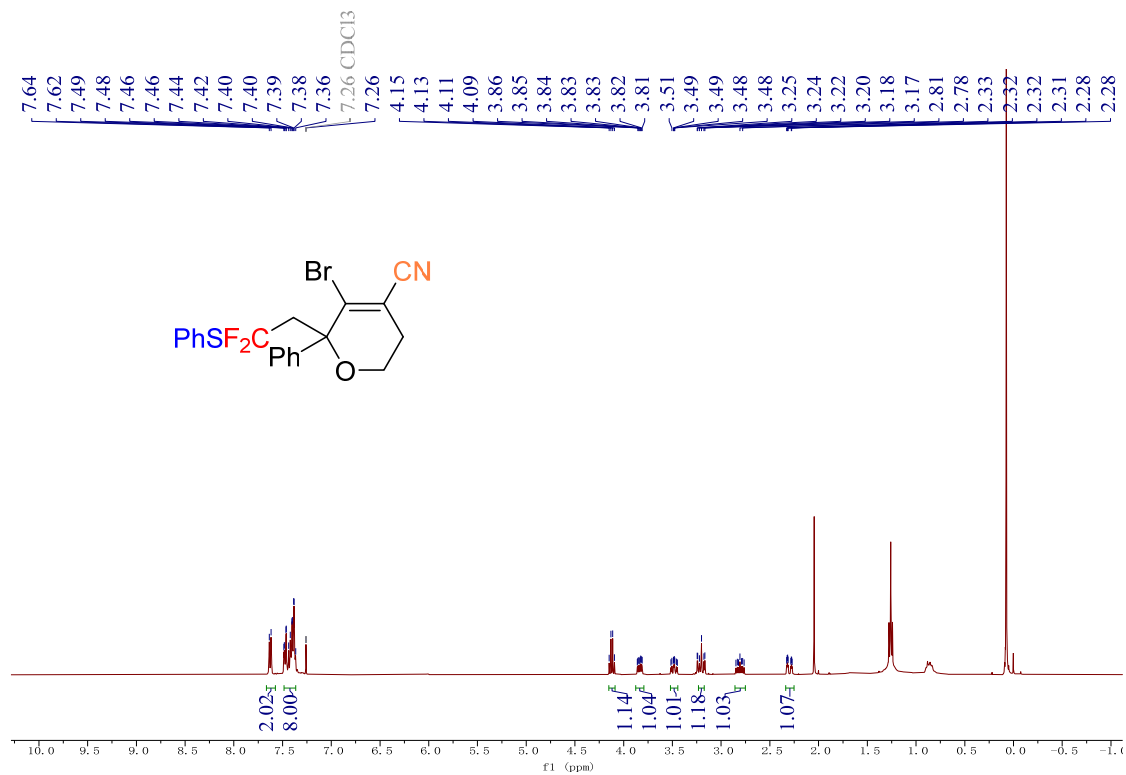
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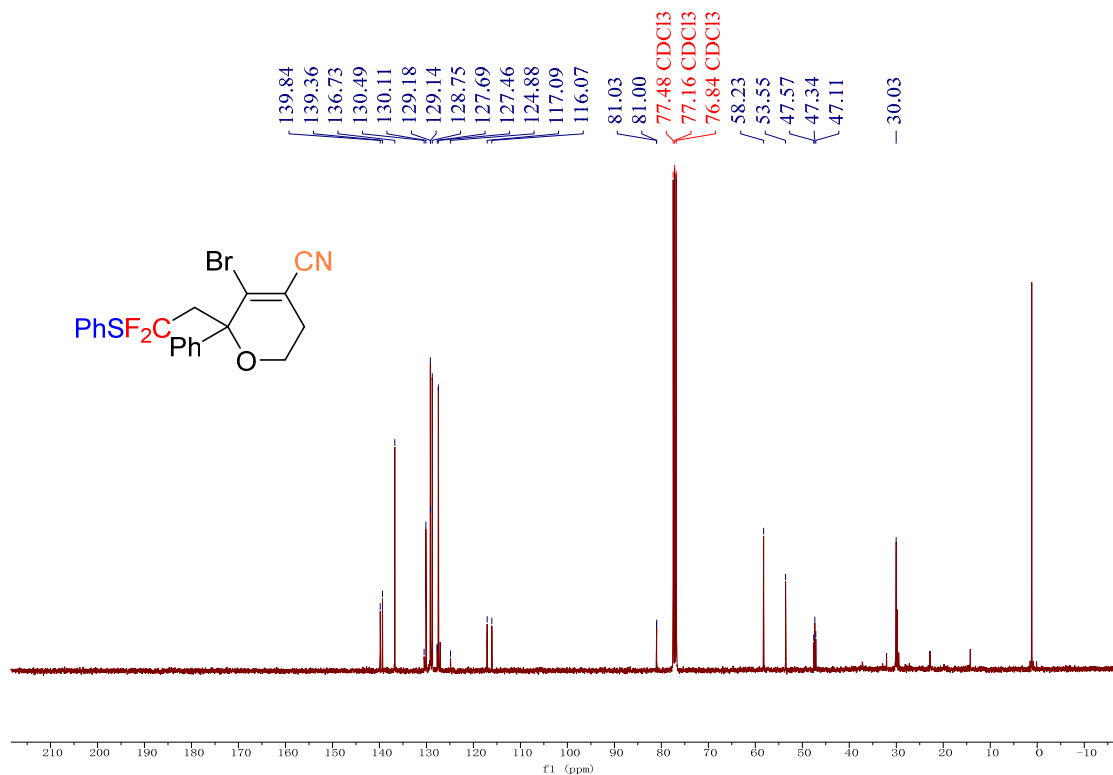
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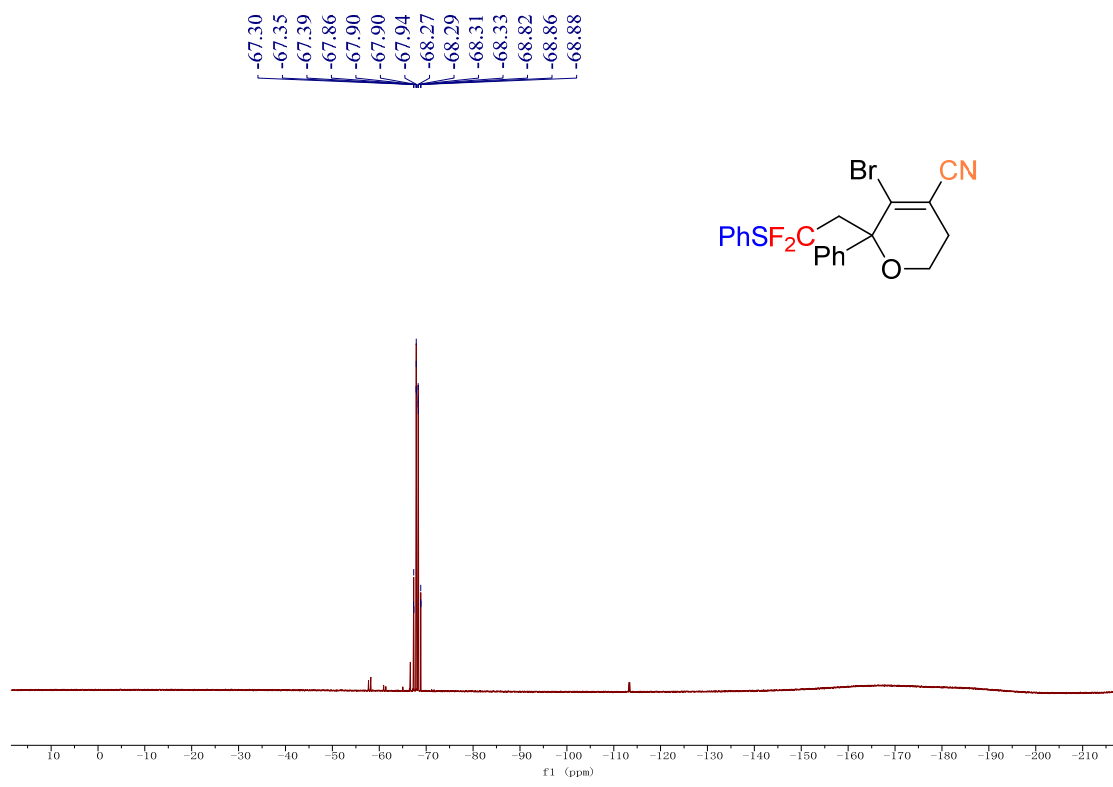
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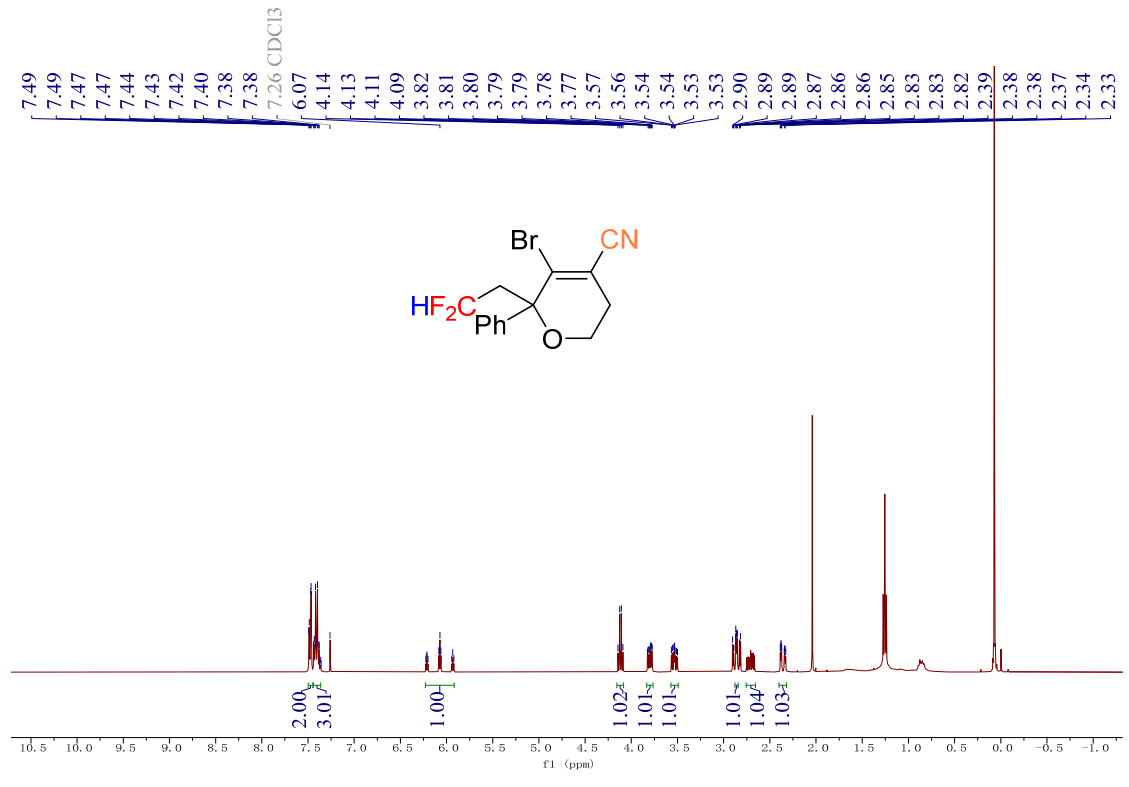
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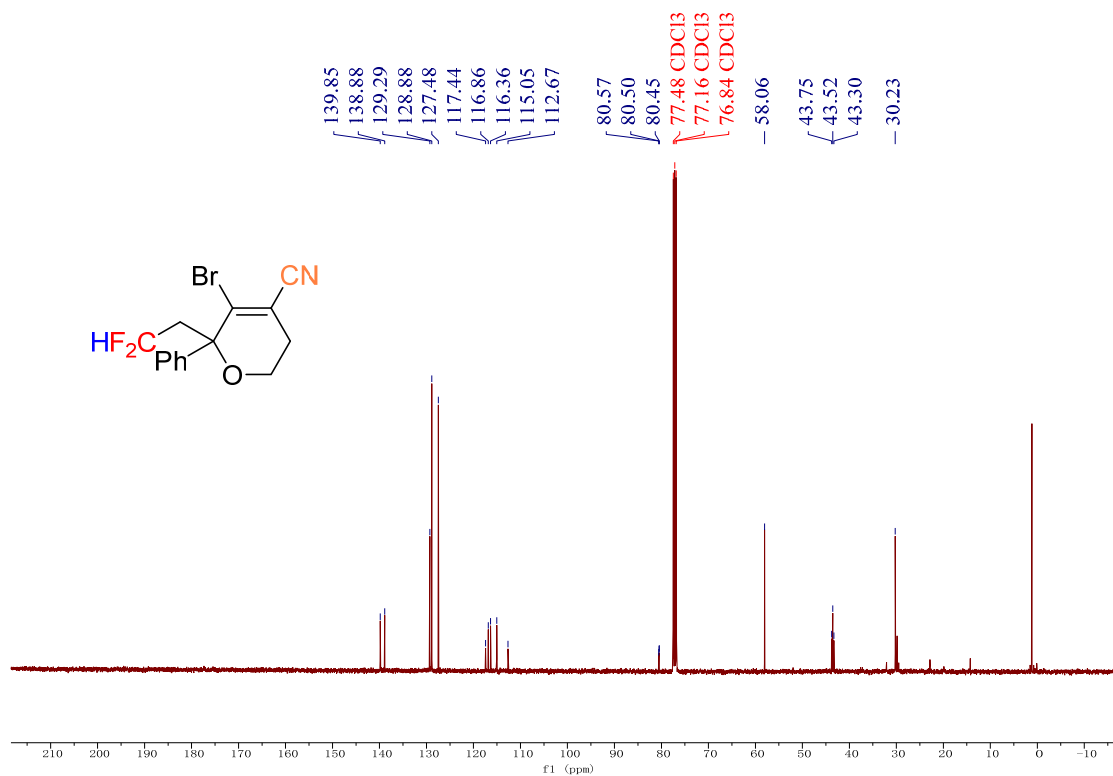
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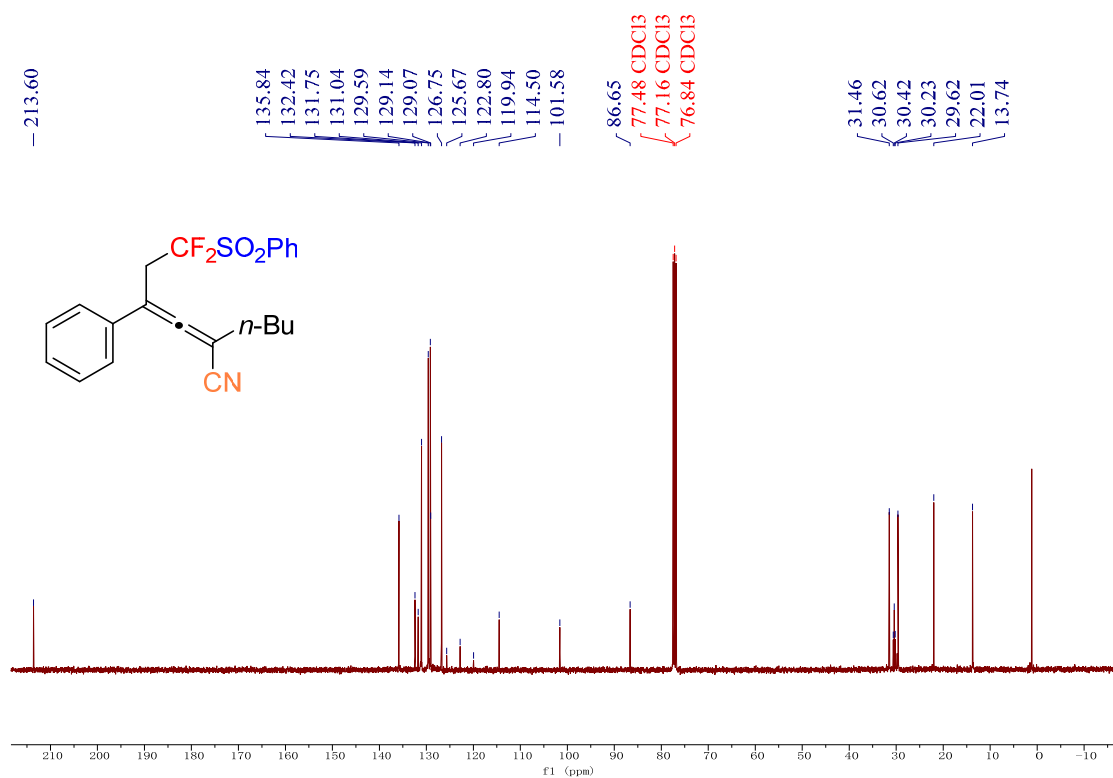


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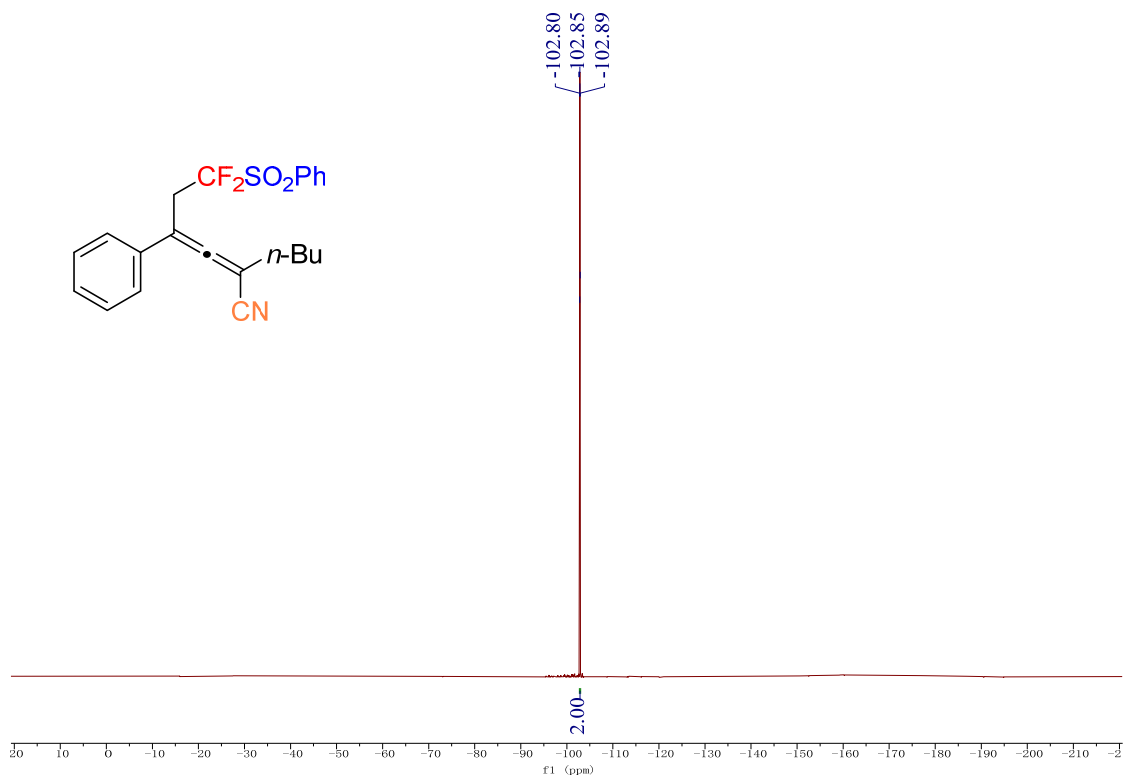


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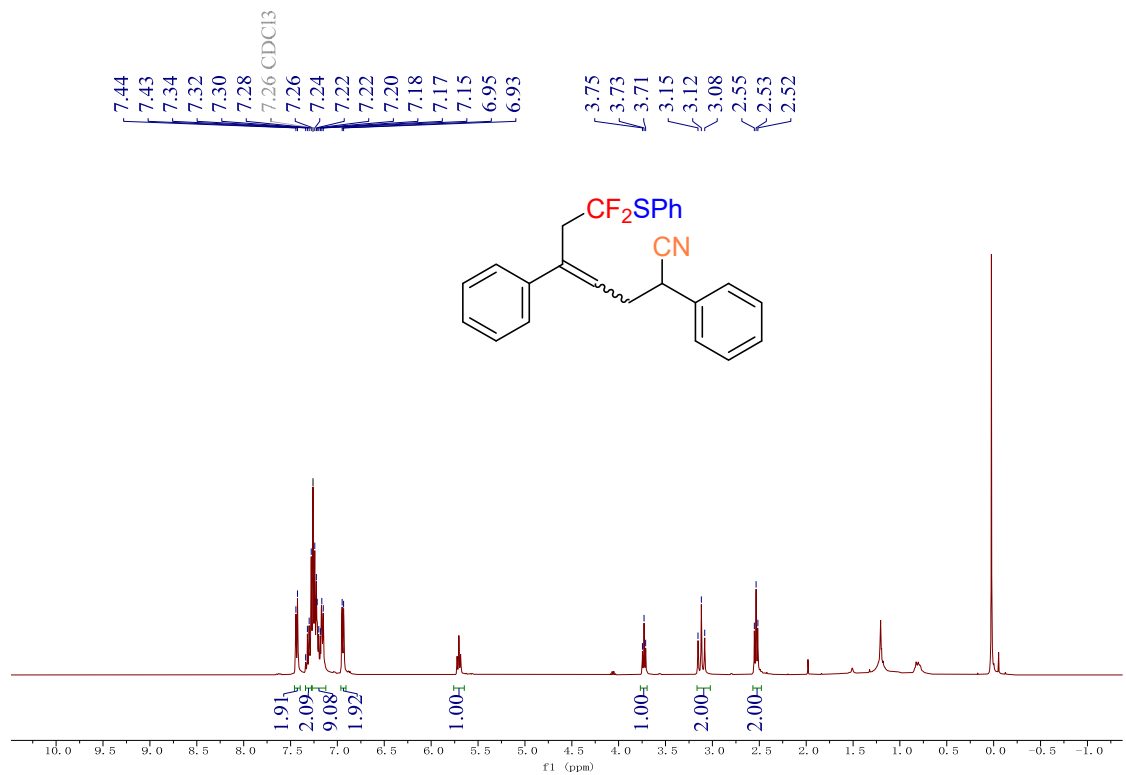
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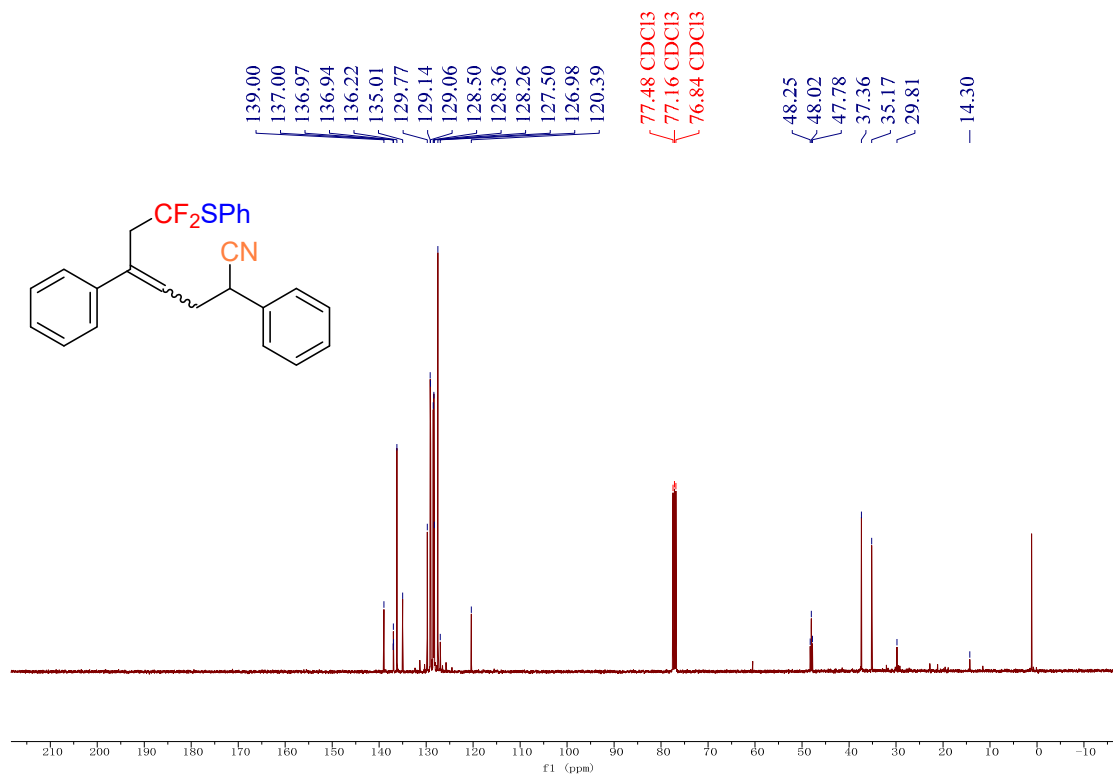
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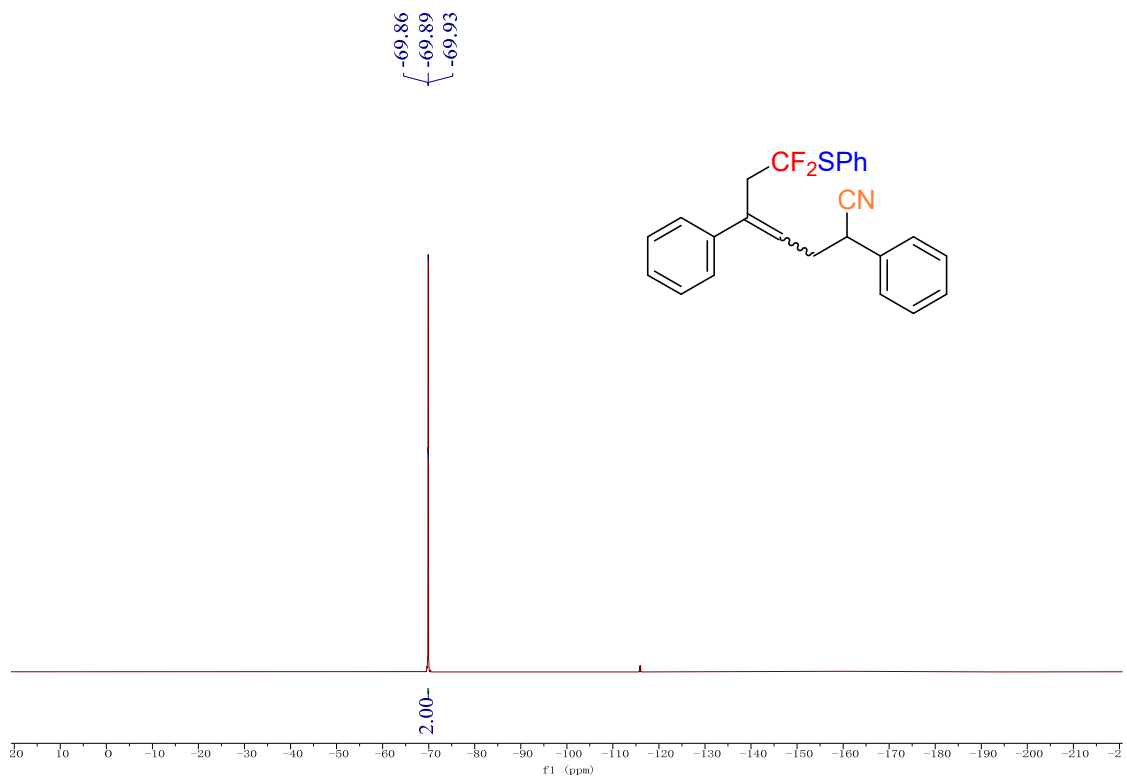
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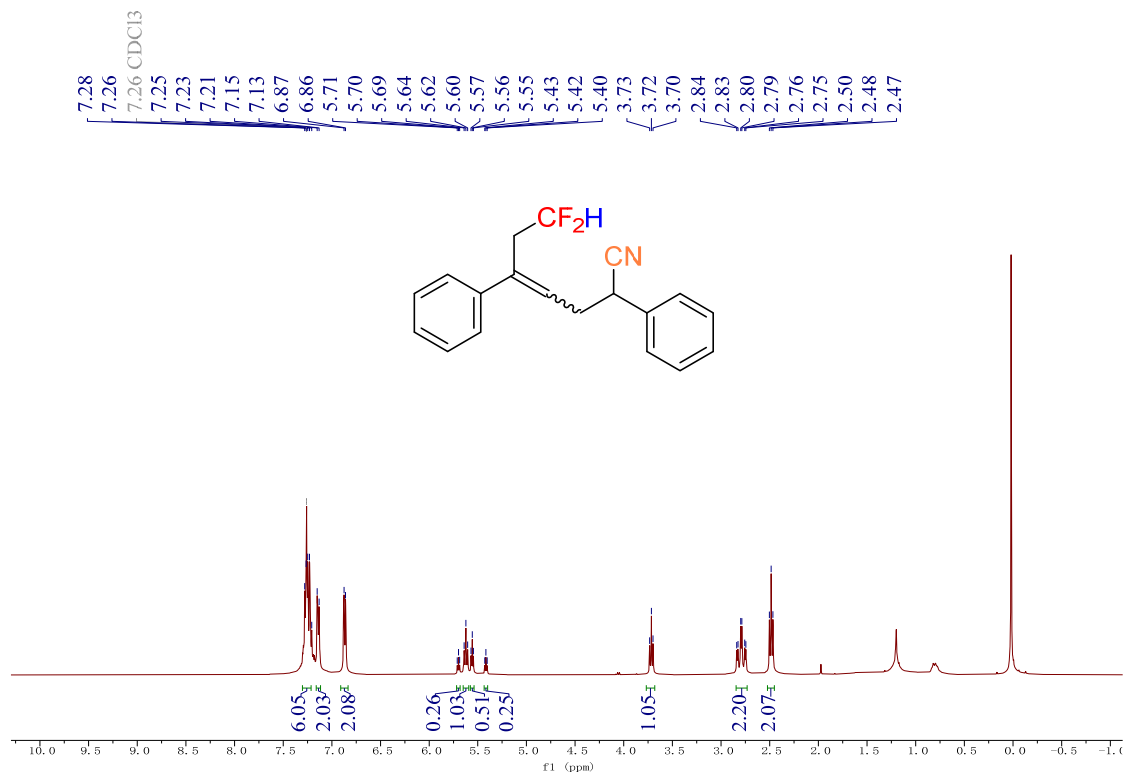
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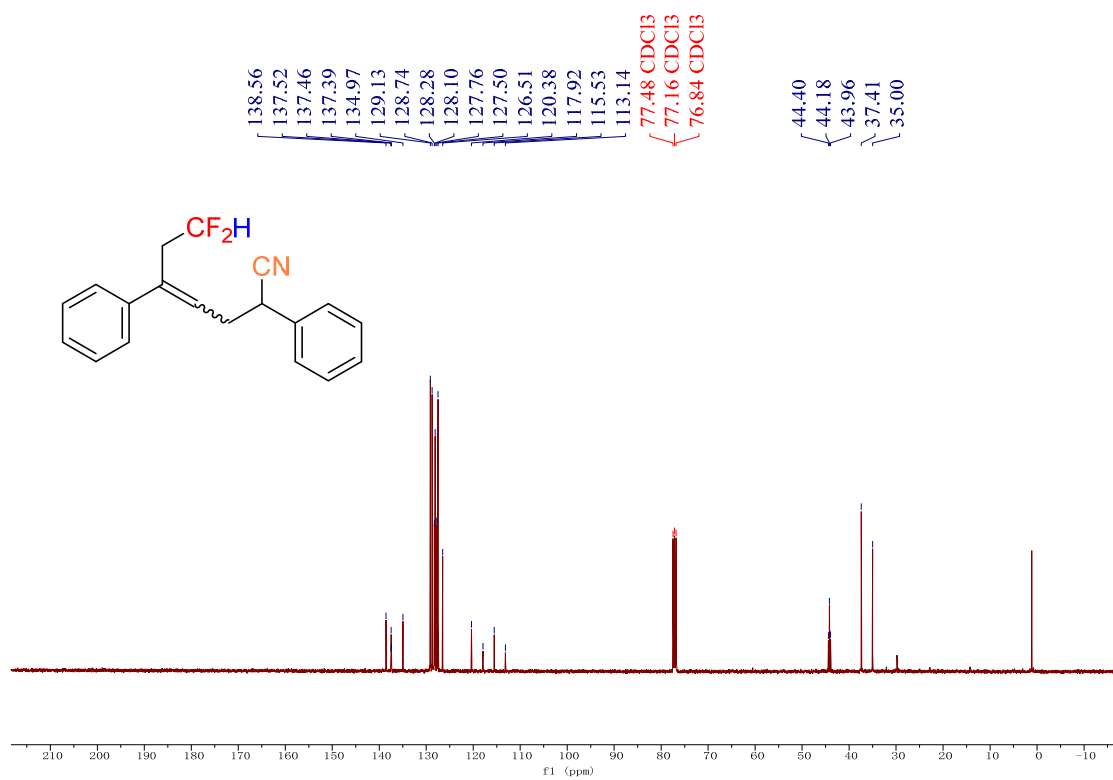
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