

Rh(III)-catalyzed regioselective C–H activation/[3+2] cyclization of KHAs with iodonium ylides accessing pyrimido[1,2-*a*]indole derivatives†

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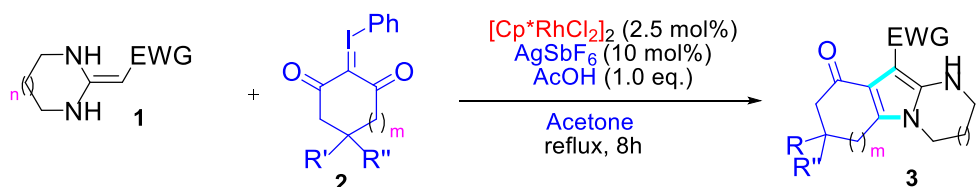
1. General Information.

All compounds were fully characterized by spectroscopic data. The NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker DRX500 or DRX600, chemical shifts (δ) are expressed in ppm, and J values are given in Hz, and deuterated CDCl_3 was used as solvent. The reactions were monitored by thin layer chromatography (TLC) using silica gel GF₂₅₄. The melting points were determined on XT-4A melting point apparatus and are uncorrected. HRMs were performed on a Agilent LC/Msd TOF instrument. X-ray diffraction was obtained by APEX DUO.

All chemicals and solvents were used as received without further purification unless otherwise stated. All chemicals were purchased from Adamas-beta. Column chromatography was performed on silica gel (Qingdao, 200–300 mesh). HKAs **1** were prepared according to the literature^[1]. Iodonium ylides were prepared according to the literature^[2].

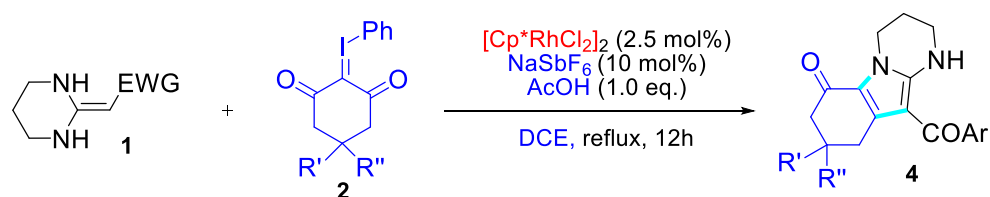
2. General Procedure for the Preparation of 3-5

2.1 Synthesis of pyrimido[1,2-a]indole derivatives (PIDOs) **3**.



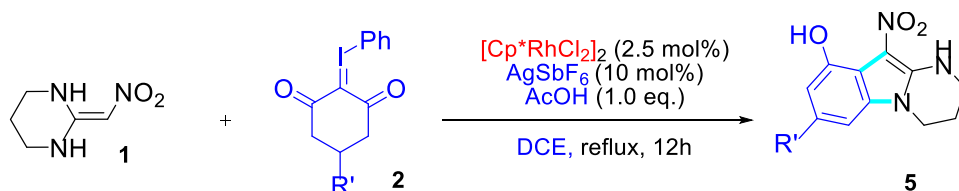
Enaminones (**1**, 1.1 mmol), iodonium ylides (**2**, 1.0 mmol), $[\text{Cp}^*\text{RhCl}_2]_2$ (2.5 mol%), AgSbF_6 (10.0 mol%), and acetic acid (HOAc, 1.0 mmol) were combined in a 25 mL round-bottom flask. The mixture was stirred and heated under reflux in acetone (5 mL) for 8 hours, or until the iodonium ylides were completely consumed. Subsequently, the mixture was allowed to cool to room temperature, followed by the addition of dichloromethane (DCM, 15 mL \times 2). The organic phase was washed with a sodium chloride (NaCl) solution (10 mL), dried over sodium sulfate (Na_2SO_4), concentrated, and purified by flash column chromatography to yield compound **3**.

2.2 Synthesis of pyrimido[1,2-a]indole derivatives (PIIDOs) 4.



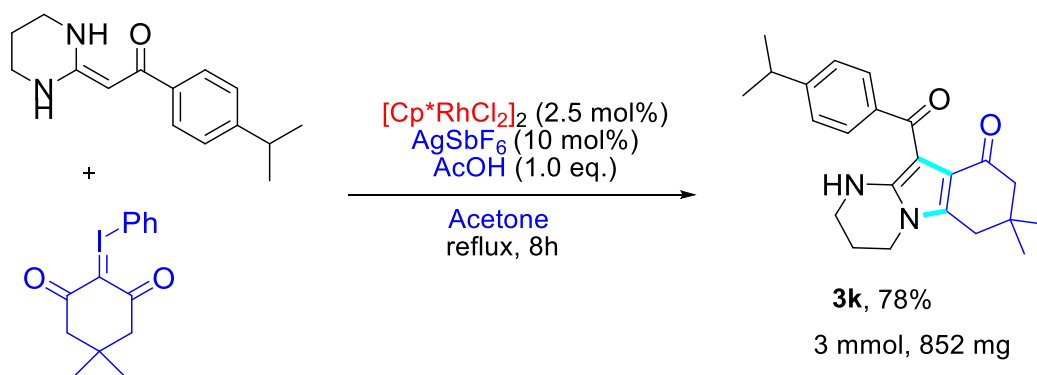
Enaminones (**1**, 1.1 mmol), iodonium ylides (**2**, 1.0 mmol), $[\text{Cp}^*\text{RhCl}_2]_2$ (2.5 mol%), NaSbF_6 (10.0 mol%), and acetic acid (1.0 mmol) were added to a 25 mL round-bottom flask. The mixture was stirred and heated under reflux in dichloroethane (5 mL) for 12 hours, or until the iodonium ylides were completely consumed. Following this, the mixture was cooled to room temperature, and dichloromethane (DCM, 15 mL \times 2) was added. The organic layer was washed with a sodium chloride (NaCl) solution (10 mL), dried over sodium sulfate (Na_2SO_4), concentrated, and purified by flash column chromatography to yield compounds **4**.

2.3 Synthesis of pyrimido[1,2-a]indole derivatives (PIIDOs) 5.



Enaminones (**1**, 1.1 mmol), iodonium ylides (**2**, 1.0 mmol), $[\text{Cp}^*\text{RhCl}_2]_2$ (2.5 mol%), AgSbF_6 (10.0 mol%), and acetic acid (1.0 mmol) were added to a 25 mL round-bottom flask. The mixture was stirred and heated under reflux in dichloroethane (5 mL) for 12 hours, or until the iodonium ylides were completely consumed. Following this, the mixture was cooled to room temperature, and dichloromethane (DCM, 15 mL \times 2) was added. The organic layer was washed with a sodium chloride (NaCl) solution (10 mL), dried over sodium sulfate (Na_2SO_4), concentrated, and purified by flash column chromatography to yield compounds **5**.

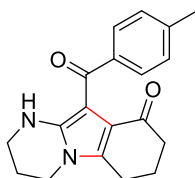
2.4 Synthesis of pyrimido[1,2-a]indole derivatives (PIIDOs) 3k.



Enaminones (**1**, 3.3 mmol), iodonium ylides (**2**, 3.0 mmol), $[\text{Cp}^*\text{RhCl}_2]_2$ (2.5 mol%), AgSbF_6 (10.0 mol%), and acetic acid (HOAc, 3.0 mmol) were combined in a 25 mL round-bottom flask. The mixture was stirred and heated under reflux in acetone (10 mL) for 8 hours, or until the iodonium ylides were completely consumed. Subsequently, the mixture was allowed to cool to room temperature, followed by the addition of dichloromethane (DCM, 60 mL \times 2). The organic phase was washed with a sodium chloride (NaCl) solution (30 mL), dried over sodium sulfate (Na_2SO_4), concentrated, and purified by flash column chromatography to yield compound **3k** 852 mg, yield is 78%.

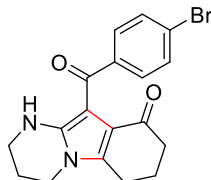
3. Spectroscopic Data.

10-(4-methylbenzoyl)-1,3,4,6,7,8-hexahydropyrimido[1,2-a]indol-9(2H)-one (3a)



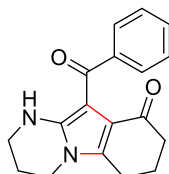
Yellow solid (70%, 215mg); Mp: 231.7-232.7 °C; ^1H NMR (600 MHz, $\text{DMSO-}d_6$): δ = 2.00-2.05 (m, 2H, CH_2), 2.19 (t, J = 6.12 Hz, 2H, CH_2), 2.32 (s, 3H, CH_3), 2.70 (t, J = 6.12 Hz, 2H, CH_2), 3.34-3.36 (m, 2H, CH_2), 3.88 (t, J = 5.94 Hz, 2H, CH_2), 7.08 (d, J = 7.92 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.38 (d, J = 7.98 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.78 (s, 1H, NH); ^{13}C NMR (150 MHz, $\text{DMSO-}d_6$): δ = 21.1, 21.1, 21.5, 22.6, 38.3, 38.4, 40.7, 96.6, 116.1, 128.1, 128.9, 139.6, 140.0, 142.1, 148.8, 187.9, 189.9. HRMS (TOF ES^+): m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}_2\text{N}_2\text{Na}$ $[(\text{M}+\text{Na})^+]$, 331.1417; found, 331.1416.

10-(4-bromobenzoyl)-1,3,4,6,7,8-hexahydropyrimido[1,2-*a*]indol-9(2*H*)-one (3b)



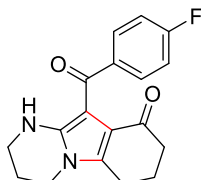
Yellow solid (85%, 316mg); Mp: 288.2-289.2 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃-*d*₆): δ = 2.10-2.15 (m, 2H, CH₂), 2.17-2.22 (m, 2H, CH₂), 2.34 (t, *J* = 6.00 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 2.66 (t, *J* = 6.15 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 3.48-3.50 (m, 2H, CH₂), 3.86 (t, *J* = 6.00 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 7.43-7.47 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.94 (s, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃-*d*₆): δ = 21.0, 21.4, 22.5, 38.0, 38.2, 40.5, 97.4, 116.3, 124.5, 129.9, 130.5, 141.3, 141.4, 149.3, 188.9, 190.8. HRMS (TOF ES⁺): *m/z* calcd for C₁₈H₁₇O₂N₂ [(M+Na)⁺], 395.0366; found, 395.0365.

10-benzoyl-1,3,4,6,7,8-hexahydropyrimido[1,2-*a*]indol-9(2*H*)-one (3c)



Yellow solid (82%, 241mg); Mp: 233.1-234.1 °C; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃-*d*₆): δ = 2.09-2.13 (m, 2H, CH₂), 2.17-2.21 (m, 2H, CH₂), 2.32 (t, *J* = 6.12 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 2.65 (t, *J* = 6.12 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 3.47-3.50 (m, 2H, CH₂), 3.85 (t, *J* = 6.00 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 7.33 (t, *J* = 7.68 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.40 (t, *J* = 7.26 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.56 (t, *J* = 7.08 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.92 (s, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃-*d*₆): δ = 21.1, 21.4, 22.6, 38.2, 40.5, 97.6, 116.6, 127.3, 128.1, 130.0, 140.8, 142.6, 149.0, 190.5, 190.6. HRMS (TOF ES⁺): *m/z* calcd for C₁₈H₁₉O₂N₂ [(M+H)⁺], 295.1441; found, 295.1440.

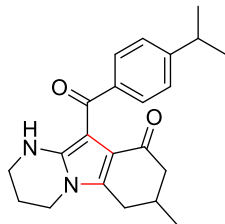
10-(4-fluorobenzoyl)-1,3,4,6,7,8-hexahydropyrimido[1,2-*a*]indol-9(2*H*)-one (3d)



Yellow solid (85%, 265mg); Mp: 196.8-197.8 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ = 1.99-2.04 (m, 2H, CH₂), 2.18 (t, *J* = 6.05 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 2.69 (t, *J* = 6.10 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 3.36-3.38 (m, 2H, CH₂), 3.88 (t, *J* = 5.95 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 7.06-7.10 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.48-7.51 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.88 (s, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ = 21.0, 21.1, 22.5, 38.3, 38.3, 40.2, 114.3 (d, *J* = 21.3 Hz), 131.0 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz), 131.0 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz), 139.4 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz), 142.6, 149.1, 163.4 (d, *J* = 245.0 Hz), 186.5, 190.0; ¹⁹F NMR (470 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ = -111.9. HRMS (TOF

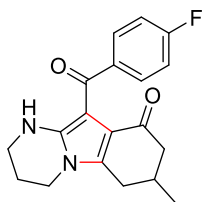
ES⁺): m/z calcd for C₁₈H₁₇O₂N₂Na [(M+Na)⁺], 335.1166; found, 335.1165.

10-(4-isopropylbenzoyl)-7-methyl-1,3,4,6,7,8-hexahydropyrimido[1,2-*a*]indol-9(2*H*)-one (3e)



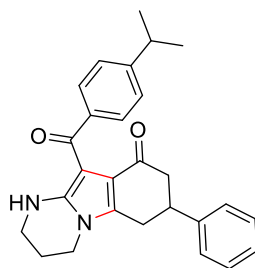
Yellow solid (84%, 294mg); Mp: 227.9-228.9 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃-*d*₆): δ = 1.26 (t, J = 5.95 Hz, 6H, 2CH₃), 2.09-2.18 (m, 4H, 1CH₃, 1CH₂), 2.33-2.37 (m, 2H, CH₂), 2.63-2.68 (m, 2H, CH₂), 2.89-2.95 (m, 1H, CH₂), 3.45-3.47 (m, 2H, CH₂), 3.83-3.87 (m, 2H, CH₂), 7.18 (d, J = 8.10 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.54 (d, J = 8.20 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.87 (s, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃-*d*₆): δ = 21.2, 21.4, 22.6, 23.8, 34.0, 38.2, 38.2, 40.5, 97.5, 116.7, 125.3, 128.6, 139.9, 140.6, 140.7, 148.9, 150.9, 190.1, 190.5. HRMS (TOF ES⁺): m/z calcd for C₂₂H₂₇O₂N₂ [(M+H)⁺], 351.2067; found, 351.2063.

10-(4-fluorobenzoyl)-7-methyl-1,3,4,6,7,8-hexahydropyrimido[1,2-*a*]indol-9(2*H*)-one (3f)



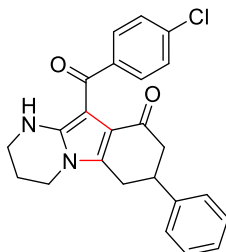
Yellow solid (85%, 277mg); Mp: 267.7-268.7 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ = 1.07 (d, J = 6.30 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 1.98-2.09 (m, 3H, 2CH₂), 2.16-2.20 (m, 1H, CH₂), 2.25-2.36 (m, 2H, CH₂), 2.82-2.85 (m, 1H, CH), 3.35-3.39 (m, 2H, CH₂), 3.82-3.93 (m, 2H, CH₂), 7.06-7.10 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.47-7.50 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.86 (s, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ = 21.0, 21.3, 29.1, 30.5, 38.3, 40.2, 46.8, 96.5, 114.3 (d, J = 21.3 Hz), 115.4, 131.0 (d, J = 8.8 Hz), 139.4 (d, J = 2.5 Hz), 142.1, 149.3, 163.4 (d, J = 245.0 Hz), 186.5, 189.9; ¹⁹F NMR (470 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ = -111.9. HRMS (TOF ES⁺): m/z calcd for C₁₉H₂₀O₂N₂F[(M+H)⁺], 327.1503; found, 327.1501.

10-(4-isopropylbenzoyl)-7-phenyl-1,3,4,6,7,8-hexahydropyrimido[1,2-*a*]indol-9(2*H*)-one (3g)



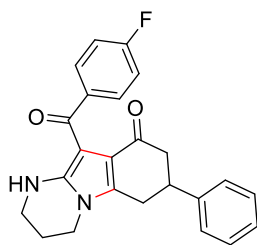
Yellow solid (79%, 325mg); Mp:197.9-198.9 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃-d₆): δ = 1.24-1.27 (m, 6H, 2CH₃), 2.16 (t, *J* = 5.75 Hz, 2H, 1CH₂), 2.63 (t, *J* = 2.90 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 2.79-2.84 (m, 1H, CH), 2.91-2.99 (m, 2H, CH₂), 3.44-3.54 (m, 3H, 1CH₂, 1CH₂), 3.78-3.86 (m, 2H, CH₂), 7.20 (d, *J* = 8.15 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.26 (d, *J* = 5.90 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.30 (d, *J* = 7.55 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.35 (t, *J* = 7.45 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.56 (d, *J* = 8.20 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.88 (s, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃-d₆): δ = 21.2, 23.8, 23.9, 29.4, 34.0, 38.2, 40.6, 41.1, 45.2, 97.4, 116.4, 125.4, 126.8, 127.1, 128.7, 128.8, 139.8, 143.2, 149.2, 151.0, 189.3, 190.2. HRMS (TOF ES⁺): *m/z* calcd for C₂₇H₂₉O₂N₂ [(M+H)⁺], 413.2224; found, 413.2222.

10-(4-chlorobenzoyl)-7-phenyl-1,3,4,6,7,8-hexahydropyrimido[1,2-a]indol-9(2H)-one (3h)



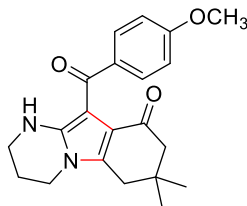
Yellow solid (85%, 343mg); Mp: 198.7-199.7 °C; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃-d₆): δ = 2.03 (t, *J* = 5.70 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 2.31-2.34 (m, 1H, CH₂), 2.59-2.63 (m, 1H, CH₂), 2.85-2.89 (m, 1H, CH₂), 3.03-3.06 (m, 1H, CH₂), 3.36-3.40 (m, 2H, CH₂), 3.45-3.49 (m, 1H, CH), 3.83-3.86 (m, 1H, CH₂), 3.93-3.96 (m, 1H, CH₂), 7.25 (t, *J* = 7.32 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.33-7.36 (m, 6H, ArH), 7.46-7.48 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.95 (s, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃-d₆): δ = 20.9, 28.9, 38.3, 40.2, 40.5, 45.3, 96.5, 115.4, 127.1, 127.5, 127.6, 128.9, 130.4, 134.6, 141.7, 142.0, 144.1, 149.5, 186.5, 189.0. HRMS (TOF ES⁺): *m/z* calcd for C₂₄H₂₂ClO₂N₂ [(M+H)⁺], 405.1364; found, 405.1364.

10-(4-fluorobenzoyl)-7-phenyl-1,3,4,6,7,8-hexahydropyrimido[1,2-a]indol-9(2H)-one (3i)



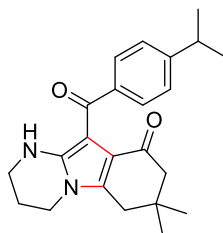
Yellow solid (86%, 333mg); Mp: 256.4-257.4 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ = 2.03 (s, 2H, CH₂), 2.33 (d, *J* = 13.75 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 2.62 (t, *J* = 15.60 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 2.87-2.90 (m, 1H, CH₂), 3.03-3.07 (m, 1H, CH₂), 3.36 (s, 2H, CH₂), 3.48 (d, *J* = 10.75 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 3.84 (t, *J* = 5.80 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 3.95 (t, *J* = 6.15 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 7.11 (t, *J* = 8.55 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.26 (t, *J* = 6.90 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.34-7.41 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.53 (d, *J* = 5.70 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.92 (s, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ = 21.0, 28.9, 38.3, 39.8, 40.2, 45.5, 96.5, 114.3 (d, *J* = 21.3 Hz), 115.5, 127.1, 127.5, 128.9, 131.0 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz), 139.3, 141.8, 144.1, 149.4, 163.5 (d, *J* = 245.0 Hz), 186.6, 189.0; ¹⁹F NMR (470 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ = -111.7. HRMS (TOF ES⁺): *m/z* calcd for C₂₄H₂₂O₂N₂F [(M+H)⁺], 389.1660; found, 389.1664.

10-(4-methoxybenzoyl)-7,7-dimethyl-1,3,4,6,7,8-hexahydropyrimido[1,2-*a*]indol-9(2*H*)-one (3j)



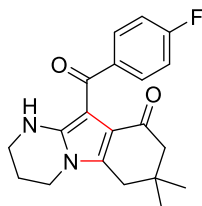
Yellow solid (88%, 309mg); Mp: 221.7-222.7 °C; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃-*d*₆): δ = 1.13 (s, 6H, 2CH₃), 2.19 (t, *J* = 5.76 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 2.26 (s, 2H, CH₂), 2.54 (s, 2H, CH₂), 3.46-3.48 (m, 2H, CH₂), 3.83 (t, *J* = 6.06 Hz, 5H, 1CH₂, 1CH₃), 6.82-6.84 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.56-7.58 (m, 2H, ArH), 5.60 (s, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃-*d*₆): δ = 21.2, 28.7, 35.0, 35.4, 38.2, 40.5, 52.7, 55.2, 97.2, 112.5, 115.5, 130.5, 134.9, 139.1, 148.9, 161.3, 189.4, 190.6. HRMS (TOF ES⁺): *m/z* calcd for C₂₁H₂₅O₃N₂ [(M+H)⁺], 353.1860; found, 353.1861.

10-(4-isopropylbenzoyl)-7,7-dimethyl-1,3,4,6,7,8-hexahydropyrimido[1,2-*a*]indol-9(2*H*)-one (3k)



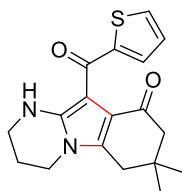
Yellow solid (82%, 298mg); Mp: 225.2-226.2 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ = 1.07 (d, *J* = 11.9 Hz, 6H, 2CH₃), 1.15-1.21 (m, 6H, 2CH₃), 1.99-2.04 (m, 2H, CH₂), 2.12 (s, 2H, CH₂), 3.03-3.07 (m, 1H, CH₂), 2.61 (s, 2H, CH₂), 2.87-2.92 (m, 1H, CH), 3.33-3.37 (m, 2H, CH₂), 3.86 (t, *J* = 5.95 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 7.13 (d, *J* = 8.15 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.26 (t, *J* = 6.90 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.38 (d, *J* = 8.20 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.78 (s, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ = 21.1, 24.2, 28.7, 33.8, 34.8, 35.0, 38.3, 40.2, 52.7, 60.2, 96.4, 114.7, 125.4, 129.0, 140.3, 140.4, 149.0, 150.4, 187.8, 189.9. HRMS (TOF ES⁺): *m/z* calcd for C₂₃H₂₉O₂N₂ [(M+H)⁺], 365.2224; found, 365.2221.

10-(4-fluorobenzoyl)-7,7-dimethyl-1,3,4,6,7,8-hexahydropyrimido[1,2-*a*]indol-9(2*H*)-one (3l)



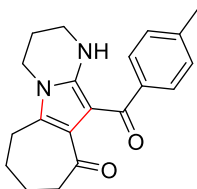
Yellow solid (89%, 302mg); Mp: 244.4-245.4 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ = 1.06 (s, 6H, 2CH₃), 2.03 (t, *J* = 5.60 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 2.12 (s, 2H, CH₂), 2.50-2.52 (m, 2H, CH₂), 3.87 (d, *J* = 5.90 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 7.07-7.10 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.45-7.48 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.86 (s, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ = 21.0, 28.7, 34.7, 35.0, 38.2, 39.9, 52.7, 96.4, 114.2, 114.4, 130.9 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz), 139.4 130.9 (d, *J* = 2.5 Hz), 140.9, 149.3, 163.4 (d, *J* = 245.0 Hz), 186.6, 190.0. HRMS (TOF ES⁺): *m/z* calcd for C₂₀H₂₂O₂N₂F [(M+H)⁺], 341.1660; found, 341.1655.

10-(4-fluorobenzoyl)-7,7-dimethyl-1,3,4,6,7,8-hexahydropyrimido[1,2-*a*]indol-9(2*H*)-one (3m)



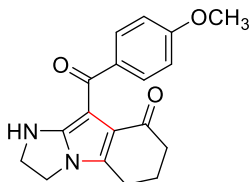
Yellow solid (72%, 236mg); Mp: 246.4-247.4 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ = 1.09 (s, 6H, 2CH₃), 2.00-2.03 (m, 2H, CH₂), 2.21 (s, 2H, CH₂), 2.62 (s, 2H, CH₂), 3.86 (d, *J* = 5.90 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 7.00-7.01 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.14-7.15 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.59 (s, 1H, NH), 7.64-7.65 (m, 1H, ArH); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ = 21.1, 28.8, 34.8, 35.0, 38.3, 39.9, 52.7, 96.3, 114.7, 127.4, 130.3, 131.3, 141.3, 146.9, 148.9, 179.4, 190.2. HRMS (TOF ES⁺): *m/z* calcd for C₁₈H₂₁O₂N₂S [(M+H)⁺], 329.1318; found, 329.1316.

11-(4-methylbenzoyl)-1,2,3,4,6,7,8,9-octahydro-10H-cyclohepta[4,5]pyrrolo[1,2-a]pyrimidin-10-one (3n)



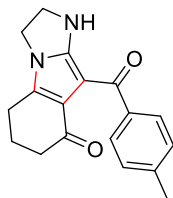
Yellow solid (20%, 64mg); Mp: 198.7-199.7 °C; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃-d₆): δ = 1.86-1.92 (m, 4H, 2CH₂), 2.17 (t, *J* = 5.76 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 2.33 (s, 3H, CH₃), 2.53 (t, *J* = 6.54 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 2.74 (t, *J* = 5.76 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 3.41-3.44 (m, 2H, CH₂), 3.80 (t, *J* = 6.06 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 7.10 (d, *J* = 7.92 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.43 (d, *J* = 7.98 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.58 (s, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃-d₆): δ = 21.5, 21.5, 22.4, 25.0, 25.7, 37.9, 40.5, 44.2, 99.4, 121.3, 127.7, 128.3, 132.8, 139.8, 139.9, 147.8, 190.0, 197.6. HRMS (TOF ES⁺): *m/z* calcd for C₂₀H₂₃O₂N₂ [(M+H)⁺], 323.1754; found, 323.1760.

9-(4-methoxybenzoyl)-1,2,3,5,6,7-hexahydro-8H-imidazo[1,2-a]indol-8-one (3o)



Yellow solid (80%, 248mg); Mp: 273.9-274.9 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ = 1.98-2.03 (m, 2H, CH₂), 2.21 (t, *J* = 6.00 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 2.71 (t, *J* = 6.05 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 3.79 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.90 (t, *J* = 7.90 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 4.04-4.07 (m, 2H, CH₂), 6.71 (s, 1H, NH), 6.85-6.87 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.55-7.58 (m, 2H, ArH); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ = 21.7, 23.0, 38.3, 42.4, 49.1, 55.6, 95.5, 113.0, 119.8, 131.2, 133.9, 139.1, 154.4, 161.6, 187.2, 190.1. HRMS (TOF ES⁺): *m/z* calcd for C₁₈H₁₉O₃N₂ [(M+H)⁺], 311.1390; found, 311.1388.

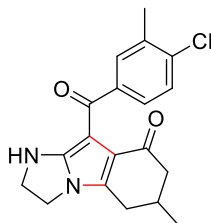
6-methyl-9-(4-methylbenzoyl)-1,2,3,5,6,7-hexahydro-8H-imidazo[1,2-a]indol-8-one (3p)



Yellow solid (70%, 205mg); Mp: 232.7-233.7 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃-d₆): δ = 2.11 (t, *J* = 6.30 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 2.36 (t, *J* = 4.80 Hz, 5H, CH₃, CH₂), 2.68 (t, *J* = 6.20 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 4.00-4.07 (m, 4H, 2CH₂), 5.60 (s, 1H, NH), 7.15 (d, *J* = 7.85 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.57 (d, *J* = 8.10 Hz, 2H, ArH); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃-d₆): δ = 21.7, 22.0, 22.9, 38.2, 42.4, 48.9, 97.0, 120.2,

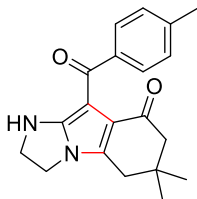
128.1, 128.9, 138.1, 138.3, 140.0, 154.7, 190.3, 191.0. HRMS (TOF ES⁺): m/z calcd for C₁₈H₁₉O₂N₂ [(M+H)⁺], 295.1441; found, 295.1440.

9-(4-chloro-3-methylbenzoyl)-6-methyl-1,2,3,5,6,7-hexahydro-8H-imidazo[1,2-a]indol-8-one (3q)



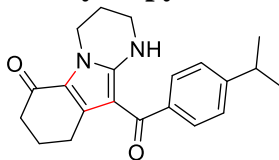
Yellow solid (86%, 294mg); Mp: 244.6-245.6 °C; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ = 1.07 (d, J = 6.54 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 2.00-2.05 (m, 1H, CH₂), 2.17-2.20 (m, 1H, CH₂), 2.27-2.33 (m, 4H, 1CH₃, 1CH), 2.36-2.41 (m, 1H, CH₂), 2.79-2.83 (m, 1H, CH₂), 3.92-3.96 (m, 2H, CH₂), 4.02-4.09 (m, 2H, CH₂), 6.95 (s, 1H, NH), 7.32 (s, 2H, ArH), 7.48 (s, 1H, ArH); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ = 20.0, 21.2, 29.6, 30.9, 42.3, 46.7, 49.1, 95.3, 119.0, 128.2, 131.5, 134.6, 135.5, 139.2, 140.6, 155.2, 187.0, 190.0. HRMS (TOF ES⁺): m/z calcd for C₁₉H₁₉O₂N₂ClNa [(M+Na)⁺], 365.1027; found, 365.1031.

6,6-dimethyl-9-(4-methylbenzoyl)-1,2,3,5,6,7-hexahydro-8H-imidazo[1,2-a]indol-8-one (3r)



Yellow solid (80%, 257mg); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃-*d*₆): δ = 0.81 (s, 6H, 2CH₃), 1.92 (s, 2H, CH₂), 2.06 (s, 3H, CH₃), 2.29 (s, 2H, CH₂), 2.66 (s, 2H, CH₂), 3.74-3.78 (m, 4H, 2CH₂), 5.68 (s, 1H, NH), 6.81 (d, J = 7.90 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.22 (d, J = 8.05 Hz, 2H, ArH); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃-*d*₆): δ = 21.4, 28.3, 35.2, 35.5, 42.1, 48.7, 52.4, 96.1, 118.5, 127.8, 128.6, 136.7, 138.2, 140.4, 154.6, 189.2, 190.3. HRMS (TOF ES⁺): m/z calcd for C₂₀H₂₃O₂N₂ [(M+H)⁺], 323.1754; found, 323.1753.

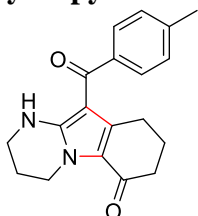
10-(4-isopropylbenzoyl)-1,2,3,4,8,9-hexahydropyrimido[1,2-a]indol-6(7H)-one (4a)



Yellow solid (48%, 161mg); Mp: 242.9-243.9 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃-*d*₆): δ = 1.28 (d, J = 6.90 Hz, 6H, 2CH₃), 1.82 (t, J = 6.15 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 2.11 (t, J = 5.75 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 2.20 (t, J

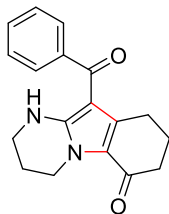
= 5.95 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 2.37 (t, *J* = 6.00 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 2.96 (t, *J* = 6.90 Hz, 1H, CH), 3.47-3.49 (m, 2H, CH₂), 4.39 (t, *J* = 5.95 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 7.27 (d, *J* = 7.15 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.42-7.44 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.76 (s, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃-*d*₆): δ = 20.9, 23.9, 24.7, 25.2, 34.1, 38.1, 38.2, 42.5, 103.8, 121.9, 126.2, 127.6, 138.5, 139.3, 149.8, 151.6, 187.0, 192.2. HRMS (TOF ES⁺): *m/z* calcd for C₂₁H₂₄O₂N₂Na [(M+Na)⁺], 359.1730; found, 359.1735.

10-(4-methylbenzoyl)-1,2,3,4,8,9-hexahydropyrimido[1,2-*a*]indol-6(7*H*)-one (4b)



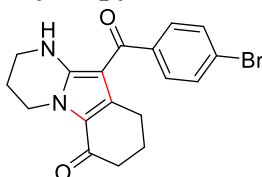
Yellow solid (52%, 160mg); Mp: 225.8–226.8 °C; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ = 1.70-1.74 (m, 2H, CH₂), 1.95-1.99 (m, 2H, CH₂), 2.08 (t, *J* = 6.00 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 2.24 (t, *J* = 5.94 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 2.37 (s, 3H, CH₃), 3.36-3.39 (m, 2H, CH₂), 4.22 (t, *J* = 5.88 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 7.26 (d, *J* = 7.80 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.35 (d, *J* = 7.98 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.89 (s, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ = 20.8, 21.5, 24.6, 25.1, 38.1, 42.8, 103.4, 121.5, 127.7, 129.1, 137.6, 139.6, 140.4, 149.5, 185.7, 190.6. HRMS (TOF ES⁺): *m/z* calcd for C₁₉H₂₀O₂N₂Na [(M+Na)⁺], 331.1417; found, 331.1413.

10-benzoyl-1,2,3,4,8,9-hexahydropyrimido[1,2-*a*]indol-6(7*H*)-one (4c)



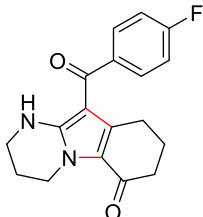
Yellow solid (65%, 191mg); Mp: 200.6–201.6 °C; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃-*d*₆): δ = 1.17-1.83 (m, 2H, CH₂), 2.05-2.14 (m, 4H, 2CH₂), 2.36 (t, *J* = 6.18 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 3.48-3.50 (m, 2H, CH₂), 4.39 (t, *J* = 5.94 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 7.41-7.48 (m, 5H, ArH), 7.79 (s, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃-*d*₆): δ = 20.9, 24.6, 25.0, 38.1, 38.2, 42.5, 103.8, 122.1, 127.3, 128.2, 130.3, 138.3, 141.8, 149.8, 187.0, 190.1. HRMS (TOF ES⁺): *m/z* calcd for C₁₈H₁₉O₂N₂ [(M+H)⁺], 295.1441; found, 295.1443.

10-(4-bromobenzoyl)-1,2,3,4,8,9-hexahydropyrimido[1,2-*a*]indol-6(7*H*)-one (4d)



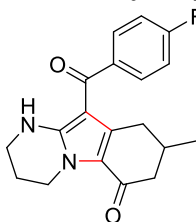
Yellow solid (66%, 245mg); Mp: 231.7–232.7 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃-d₆): δ = 1.81-1.86 (m, 2H, CH₂), 2.05-2.15 (m, 4H, 2CH₂), 2.38 (t, *J* = 6.05 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 3.48-3.50 (m, 2H, CH₂), 4.38 (t, *J* = 5.95 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 7.35-7.39 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.53-7.58 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.77 (s, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃-d₆): δ = 20.9, 24.5, 25.2, 38.1, 38.1, 42.5, 103.6, 122.2, 124.8, 129.1, 131.4, 137.8, 140.5, 149.9, 187.2, 190.6. HRMS (TOF ES⁺): *m/z* calcd for C₁₈H₁₇O₂N₂BrNa [(M+Na)⁺], 395.0366; found, 395.0364.

10-(4-fluorobenzoyl)-1,2,3,4,8,9-hexahydropyrimido[1,2-*a*]indol-6(7*H*)-one (4e)



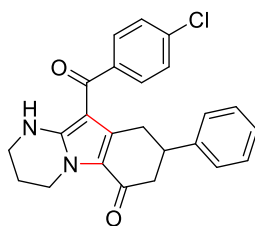
Yellow solid (68%, 212mg); Mp: 206.8–207.8 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃-d₆): δ = 1.82-1.86 (m, 2H, CH₂), 2.10-2.17 (m, 4H, 2CH₂), 2.38 (t, *J* = 6.10 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 3.48-3.50 (m, 2H, CH₂), 4.39 (t, *J* = 5.95 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 7.09-7.14 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.48-7.52 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.74 (s, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃-d₆): δ = 20.9, 24.6, 25.2, 38.1, 38.2, 42.5, 103.7, 115.2 (d, *J* = 22.5 Hz), 122.1, 129.7 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 137.9 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz), 137.9, 149.8, 164.0 (d, *J* = 248.8 Hz), 187.1, 190.7; ¹⁹F NMR (470 MHz, CDCl₃-d₆): δ = -109.6. HRMS (TOF ES⁺): *m/z* calcd for C₁₈H₁₇O₂N₂FNa [(M+Na)⁺], 335.1173; found, 335.1175.

10-(4-fluorobenzoyl)-8-methyl-1,2,3,4,8,9-hexahydropyrimido[1,2-*a*]indol-6(7*H*)-one (4f)



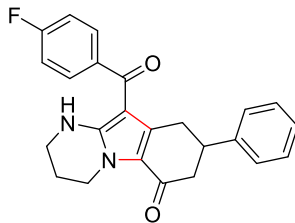
Yellow solid (62%, 202mg); Mp: 222.6–223.6 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃-d₆): δ = 0.92 (d, *J* = 6.25 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 1.94 (t, *J* = 9.20 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 2.06-2.18 (m, 5H, CH₂), 2.36-2.40 (m, 1H, CH), 3.46-3.51 (m, 2H, CH₂), 4.36-4.40 (m, 2H, CH₂), 7.10-7.13 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.50-7.52 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.72 (s, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃-d₆): δ = 20.9, 21.0, 32.3, 33.3, 38.1, 42.4, 46.4, 103.6, 115.2 (d, *J* = 10.2 Hz), 121.9, 129.8 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz), 137.3, 137.8 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz), 150.0, 164.1 (d, *J* = 248.8 Hz), 186.8, 190.6; ¹⁹F NMR (470 MHz, CDCl₃-d₆): δ = -109.5. HRMS (TOF ES⁺): *m/z* calcd for C₁₉H₁₉O₂N₂FNa [(M+Na)⁺], 349.1323; found, 349.1324.

10-(4-chlorobenzoyl)-8-phenyl-1,2,3,4,8,9-hexahydropyrimido[1,2-*a*]indol-6(7*H*)-one (4g)



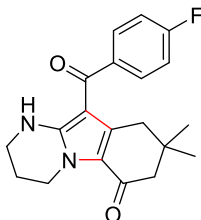
Yellow solid (66%, 266mg); Mp: 242.9–243.8 °C; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ = 1.96-2.01 (m, 2H, CH₂), 2.13-2.16 (m, 1H, CH₂), 2.35-2.38 (m, 1H, CH₂), 2.50-2.56 (m, 1H, CH₂), 2.66-2.70 (m, 1H, CH₂), 3.16-3.20 (m, 1H, CH₂), 3.37-3.43 (m, 2H, CH₂), 4.25 (t, *J* = 6.36 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 7.15-7.18 (m, 3H, ArH), 7.25 (t, *J* = 7.44 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.46-7.50 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.97 (s, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ = 20.7, 32.3, 38.2, 42.3, 42.7, 45.1, 103.3, 121.6, 127.0, 127.2, 128.7, 128.9, 129.7, 135.4, 136.3, 140.8, 144.3, 149.9, 184.7, 189.0. HRMS (TOF ES⁺): *m/z* calcd for C₂₄H₂₂ClO₂N₂ [(M+H)⁺], 405.1364; found, 405.1364.

10-(4-fluorobenzoyl)-8-phenyl-1,2,3,4,8,9-hexahydropyrimido[1,2-*a*]indol-6(7H)-one (4h)



Yellow solid (69%, 267mg); Mp: 226.8–227.8 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃-*d*₆): δ = 2.05-2.17 (m, 2H, CH₂), 2.35-2.39 (m, 1H, CH₂), 2.52-2.71 (m, 3H, CH₂), 3.19-3.25 (m, 1H, CH), 3.46-3.55 (m, 2H, CH₂), 4.38-4.45 (m, 2H, CH₂), 7.05-7.11 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.19-7.22 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.28 (t, *J* = 7.25 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.50-7.54 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.74 (s, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃-*d*₆): δ = 20.9, 32.3, 38.2, 42.5, 42.8, 45.3, 103.7, 115.3 (d, *J* = 21.3 Hz), 121.9, 126.7, 126.8, 128.6, 129.8 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 136.8, 137.6 (d, *J* = 2.5 Hz), 143.4, 150.2, 163.2 (d, *J* = 248.8 Hz), 185.7, 190.5; ¹⁹F NMR (470 MHz, CDCl₃-*d*₆): δ = -109.0. HRMS (TOF ES⁺): *m/z* calcd for C₂₄H₂₁O₂N₂FN_a [(M+Na)⁺], 411.1479; found, 411.1476.

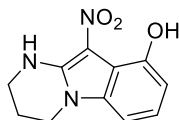
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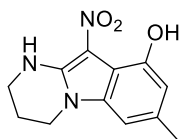
7.28-7.31 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.51-7.53 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.89 (s, 1H, NH); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ = 20.7, 28.4, 35.6, 38.1, 38.7, 42.6, 51.8, 103.7, 115.6, 115.7 (d, J = 21.3 Hz), 120.7, 130.4 (d, J = 8.8 Hz), 135.4, 138.6 (d, J = 2.5 Hz), 149.8, 163.7 (d, J = 246.3 Hz), 185.1, 189.2; ^{19}F NMR (470 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ = -110.1. HRMS (TOF ES $^+$): m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{22}\text{O}_2\text{N}_2\text{F}$ [(M+H) $^+$], 341.1660; found, 341.1670.

10-nitro-1,2,3,4-tetrahydropyrimido[1,2-*a*]indol-9-ol (5a)



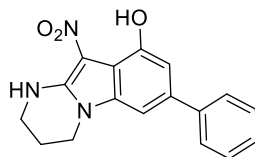
Yellow solid (42%, 97mg); Mp: 303.9–304.9 °C; ^1H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ = 2.19-2.23 (m, 2H, CH $_2$), 3.62-3.64 (m, 2H, CH $_2$), 2.95 (t, J = 5.88 Hz, 2H, CH $_2$), 6.53 (d, J = 8.16 Hz, 1H, ArH), 6.60 (d, J = 7.86 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.06 (t, J = 7.98 Hz, 1H, ArH), 9.15 (s, 1H, OH); ^{13}C NMR (150 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ = 19.5, 38.6, 40.0, 100.2, 106.2, 110.7, 112.2, 126.7, 135.8, 148.8, 150.4. HRMS (TOF ES $^+$): m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{11}\text{O}_3\text{N}_3\text{Na}$ [(M+Na) $^+$], 256.0693; found, 256.0696.

7-methyl-10-nitro-1,2,3,4-tetrahydropyrimido[1,2-*a*]indol-9-ol (5b)



Yellow solid (30%, 74mg); Mp: 269.3–270.3 °C; ^1H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ = 2.09 (t, J = 5.52 Hz, 2H, CH $_2$), 2.28 (s, 3H, CH $_3$), 3.51 (s, 2H, CH $_2$), 3.92 (t, J = 5.82 Hz, 2H, CH $_2$), 6.35 (s, 1H, ArH), 6.55 (s, 1H, ArH), 9.24 (s, 1H, NH), 11.22 (s, 1H, OH); ^{13}C NMR (150 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ = 19.3, 21.8, 38.8, 40.0, 101.6, 103.7, 111.3, 136.4, 137.3, 149.0, 149.9. HRMS (TOF ES $^+$): m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{14}\text{O}_3\text{N}_3$ [(M+H) $^+$], 248.1030; found, 248.1028.

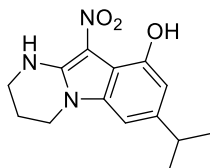
10-nitro-7-phenyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydropyrimido[1,2-*a*]indol-9-ol (5c)



Yellow solid (35%, 108mg); Mp: 268.4–269.4 °C; ^1H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ = 2.13 (d, J = 5.55 Hz, 2H, CH $_2$), 3.54 (s, 2H, CH $_2$), 4.02 (t, J = 5.80 Hz, 2H, CH $_2$), 6.83 (d, J = 1.30 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.07 (d, J = 1.25 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.37 (d, J = 7.35 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.45 (t, J = 7.45 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.71 (t, J = 7.25 Hz, 2H, ArH), 9.32 (s, 1H, NH), 11.3 (s, 1H, OH); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ = 19.3, 38.9, 40.0, 99.7, 105.4, 108.8, 112.0, 127.1, 128.0, 129.3, 136.9,

139.5, 140.3, 149.2, 150.3. HRMS (TOF ES⁺): m/z calcd for C₁₇H₁₅O₃N₃Na [(M+Na)⁺], 332.1006; found, 332.1003.

7-isopropyl-10-nitro-1,2,3,4-tetrahydropyrimido[1,2-*a*]indol-9-ol (5d)



Yellow solid (20%, 55mg); Mp: 239.3–240.3 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ = 1.21 (d, J = 6.90 Hz, 6H, 2CH₃), 2.13 (s, 2H, CH₂), 2.83-2.88 (m, 1H, CH), 3.56 (s, 2H, CH₂), 3.93 (t, J = 5.70 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 6.39 (s, 1H, ArH), 6.55 (s, 1H, ArH), 9.21 (s, 1H, NH), 11.16 (s, 1H, OH); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ = 19.4, 24.3, 34.2, 38.7, 40.0, 98.7, 104.1, 108.8, 112.0, 148.6, 149.0, 150.0. HRMS (TOF ES⁺): m/z calcd for C₁₄H₁₈O₃N₃ [(M+H)⁺], 276.1343; found, 276.1342.

4 X-ray Structure and Data³

4.1 X-ray Structure and Data of 3d

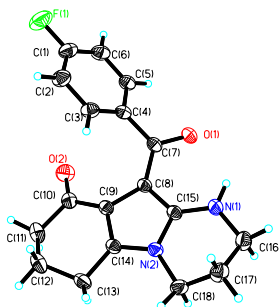


Figure S1. X-Ray crystal structure of 3d

Table S1. Crystal data and structure refinement for 3d

Identification code	mo-240227B
Empirical formula	C ₁₈ H ₁₇ FN ₂ O ₂
Formula weight	312.33 g/mol
Wavelength	0.71073 Å
Crystal system, space group	Triclinic, P -1
Unit cell dimensions	a = 8.5103(2) Å α = 86.6800(10)°. b = 10.3560(3) Å β = 88.9640(10)°. c = 17.9206(4) Å γ = 75.0740(10)°.
Volume	1523.53(7) Å ³
Z, Calculated density	4, 1.362 g/cm ³
Absorption coefficient	0.098 mm ⁻¹
F(000)	656
Crystal size	0.220 x 0.240 x 0.260 mm
Theta range for data collection	2.04 to 28.38°
Limiting indices	-11 ≤ h ≤ 11, -13 ≤ k ≤ 13, -23 ≤ l ≤ 23
Reflections collected	55404
Independent reflections	7604 [R(int) = 0.0609]
Max. and min. transmission	0.7457 and 0.7263
Structure solution technique	direct methods
Structure solution program	SHELXT 2018/2 (Sheldrick, 2018)
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²
Refinement program	SHELXL 2018/3 (Sheldrick, 2015)
Function minimized	Σw(Fo ² - Fc ²) ²
Data / restraints / parameters	7604 / 0 / 415
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.085
Final R indices [I > 2σ(I)]	R1 = 0.0622, wR2 = 0.1143
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0994, wR2 = 0.1314
Weighting scheme	w = 1/[σ ² (Fo ²) + (0.0324P) ² + 0.8106P] where P = (Fo ² + 2Fc ²)/3
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.194 and -0.191 eÅ ⁻³
R.M.S. deviation from mean	0.039 eÅ ⁻³

Table S2. Bond lengths (Å) for **3d**

O4-C25	1.250(2)	O1-C7	1.247(2)
O2-C10	1.224(2)	N2-C14	1.377(3)
N2-C15	1.373(2)	N2-C18	1.466(2)
F2-C19	1.367(2)	O3-C33	1.226(3)
F1-C1	1.363(3)	N4-C27	1.375(2)
N4-C31	1.373(2)	N4-C30	1.464(2)
N3-H3	0.860000	N3-C27	1.340(2)
N3-C28	1.452(2)	N1-H1	0.860000
N1-C15	1.340(2)	N1-C16	1.453(3)
C26-C27	1.401(3)	C26-C25	1.434(3)
C26-C32	1.455(3)	C9-C14	1.369(3)
C9-C8	1.456(3)	C9-C10	1.452(3)
C14-C13	1.488(3)	C4-C7	1.495(3)
C4-C5	1.387(3)	C4-C3	1.388(3)
C22-C25	1.497(3)	C22-C21	1.387(3)
C22-C23	1.388(3)	C8-C15	1.403(3)
C8-C7	1.430(3)	C10-C11	1.511(3)
C32-C33	1.451(3)	C32-C31	1.370(3)
C5-H5	0.930000	C5-C6	1.377(3)
C21-H21	0.930000	C21-C20	1.385(3)
C33-C34	1.516(3)	C31-C36	1.489(3)
C3-H3A	0.930000	C3-C2	1.384(3)
C23-H23	0.930000	C23-C24	1.384(3)
C13-H13A	0.970000	C13-H13B	0.970000
C13-C12	1.519(3)	C30-H30A	0.970000
C30-H30B	0.970000	C30-C29	1.510(3)
C29-H29A	0.970000	C29-H29B	0.970000
C29-C28	1.511(3)	C18-H18A	0.970000
C18-H18B	0.970000	C18-C17	1.509(3)
C20-H20	0.930000	C20-C19	1.363(3)
C28-H28A	0.970000	C28-H28B	0.970000
C2-H2	0.930000	C2-C1	1.368(3)
C6-H6	0.930000	C6-C1	1.371(3)
C16-H16A	0.970000	C16-H16B	0.970000
C16-C17	1.514(3)	C36-H36A	0.970000
C36-H36B	0.970000	C36-C35	1.524(3)
C17-H17A	0.970000	C17-H17B	0.970000
C19-C24	1.363(3)	C12-H12A	0.970000
C12-H12B	0.970000	C12-C11	1.511(3)
C24-H24	0.930000	C34-H34A	0.970000
C34-H34B	0.970000	C34-C35	1.512(4)
C11-H11A	0.970000	C11-H11B	0.970000
C35-H35A	0.970000	C35-H35B	0.970000

4.2 X-ray Structure and Data of 4h

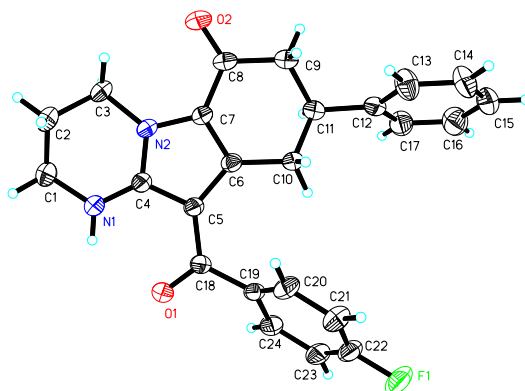


Figure S2. X-Ray crystal structure of **4h**

Table S3. Crystal data and structure refinement for **4h**

Identification code	mo-240227A
Empirical formula	C ₂₄ H ₂₁ FN ₂ O ₂
Formula weight	388.43 g/mol
Wavelength	0.71073 Å
Crystal system, space group	monoclinic, P 1 21/n 1
Unit cell dimensions	a = 14.4294(6) Å α = 90°. b = 18.3423(10) Å β = 0.1700(10)°. c = 14.5578(6) Å γ = 90°.
Volume	3853.0(3) Å ³
Z, Calculated density	1.339 g/cm ³
Absorption coefficient	0.092 mm ⁻¹
F(000)	1632
Crystal size	0.200 x 0.240 x 0.260 mm
Theta range for data collection	2.22 to 28.40°
Limiting indices	-19 ≤ h ≤ 18, -24 ≤ k ≤ 24, -19 ≤ l ≤ 19
Reflections collected	85595
Independent reflections	9588 [R(int) = 0.1034]
Max. and min. transmission	0.7457 and 0.7124
Structure solution technique	direct methods
Structure solution program	SHELXT 2018/2 (Sheldrick, 2018)
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²
Refinement program	SHELXL 2018/3 (Sheldrick, 2015)
Function minimized	Σw(Fo ² - Fc ²) ²
Data / restraints / parameters	9588 / 50 / 521
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.082
Final R indices [I > 2σ(I)]	R1 = 0.0845, wR2 = 0.1539
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.1521, wR2 = 0.1864
Weighting scheme	w = 1/[σ ² (Fo ²) + (0.0462P) ² + 3.1389P] where P = (Fo ² + 2Fc ²)/3
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.413 and -0.356 eÅ ⁻³
R.M.S. deviation from mean	0.044 eÅ ⁻³

Table S4. Bond lengths (Å) for **4h**.

F1-C22	1.362(3)	O1-C18	1.237(3)
O2-C8	1.225(3)	N1-H1	0.860000
N1-C1	1.456(4)	N1-C4	1.325(3)
N2-C3	1.467(3)	N2-C4	1.346(3)
N2-C7	1.405(3)	C1-H1A	0.970000
C1-H1B	0.970000	C1-C2	1.503(5)
C2-H2A	0.970000	C2-H2B	0.970000
C2-C3	1.503(4)	C3-H3A	0.970000
C3-H3B	0.970000	C4-C5	1.434(4)
C5-C6	1.429(4)	C5-C18	1.439(3)
C6-C7	1.376(3)	C6-C10	1.501(4)
C7-C8	1.441(4)	C8-C9	1.503(4)
C9-H9A	0.970000	C9-H9B	0.970000
C9-C11	1.522(4)	C10-H10A	0.970000
C10-H10B	0.970000	C10-C11	1.533(4)
C11-H11	0.980000	C11-C12	1.513(4)
C12-C13	1.376(4)	C12-C17	1.377(4)
C13-H13	0.930000	C13-C14	1.387(4)
C14-H14	0.930000	C14-C15	1.357(5)
C15-H15	0.930000	C15-C16	1.361(5)
C16-H16	0.930000	C16-C17	1.380(5)
C17-H17	0.930000	C18-C19	1.494(4)
C19-C20	1.382(4)	C19-C24	1.389(4)
C20-H20	0.930000	C20-C21	1.384(4)
C21-H21	0.930000	C21-C22	1.368(4)
C22-C23	1.359(5)	C23-H23	0.930000
C23-C24	1.376(4)	C24-H24	0.930000
F2-C45	1.360(3)	O3-C32	1.229(3)
O4-C48	1.238(3)	N3-C25	1.467(3)
N3-C28	1.352(3)	N3-C31	1.402(3)
N4-H4	0.860000	N4-C27	1.449(4)
N4-C28	1.330(3)	C25-H25A	0.970000
C25-H25B	0.970000	C25-H25C	0.970000
C25-H25D	0.970000	C25-C26	1.456(6)
C25-C26A	1.581(11)	C26-H26A	0.970000
C26-H26B	0.970000	C26-C27	1.476(6)
C27-H27A	0.970000	C27-H27B	0.970000
C27-H27C	0.970000	C27-H27D	0.970000
C27-C26A	1.346(11)	C28-C29	1.425(3)
C29-C30	1.424(4)	C29-C48	1.436(4)
C30-C3	1.371(3)	C30-C35	1.500(4)
C31-C32	1.439(4)	C32-C33	1.501(4)
C33-H33A	0.970000	C33-H33B	0.970000

C33-C34	1.502(4)	C34-H34	0.980000
C34-C35	1.503(4)	C34-C36	1.513(3)
C35-H35A	0.970000	C35-H35B	0.970000
C36-C37	1.390000	C36-C41	1.390000
C37-H37	0.930000	C37-C38	1.390000
C38-H38	0.930000	C38-C39	1.390000
C39-H39	0.930000	C39-C40	1.390000
C40-H40	0.930000	C40-C41	1.390000
C41-H41	0.930000	C42-C43	1.389(4)
C42-C47	1.377(4)	C42-C48	1.493(4)
C43-H43	0.930000	C43-C44	1.384(4)
C44-H44	0.930000	C44-C45	1.359(5)
C45-C46	1.354(4)	C46-H46	0.930000
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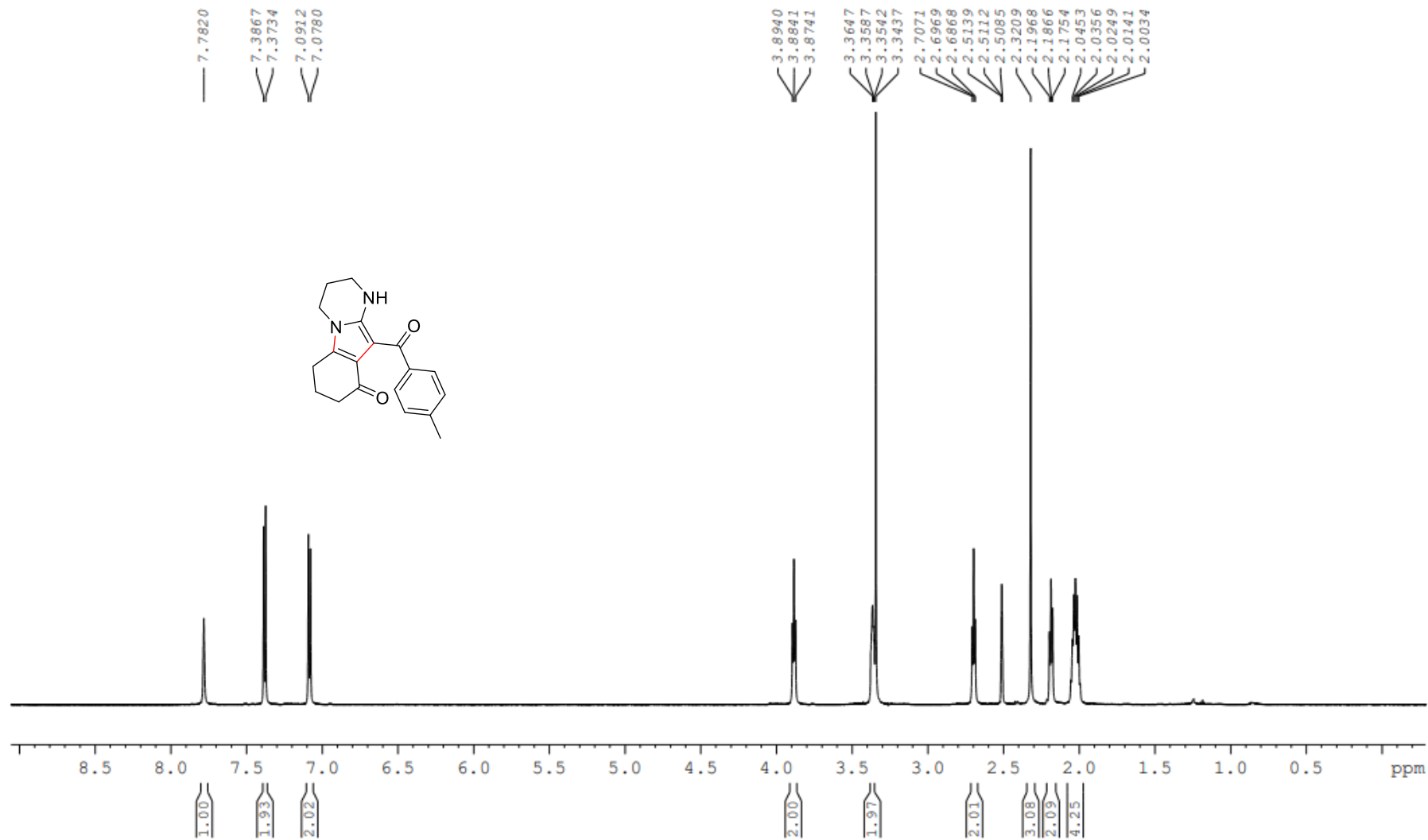


Figure S3. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (600 MHz, $\text{DMSO-}d_6$) spectra of compound **3a**

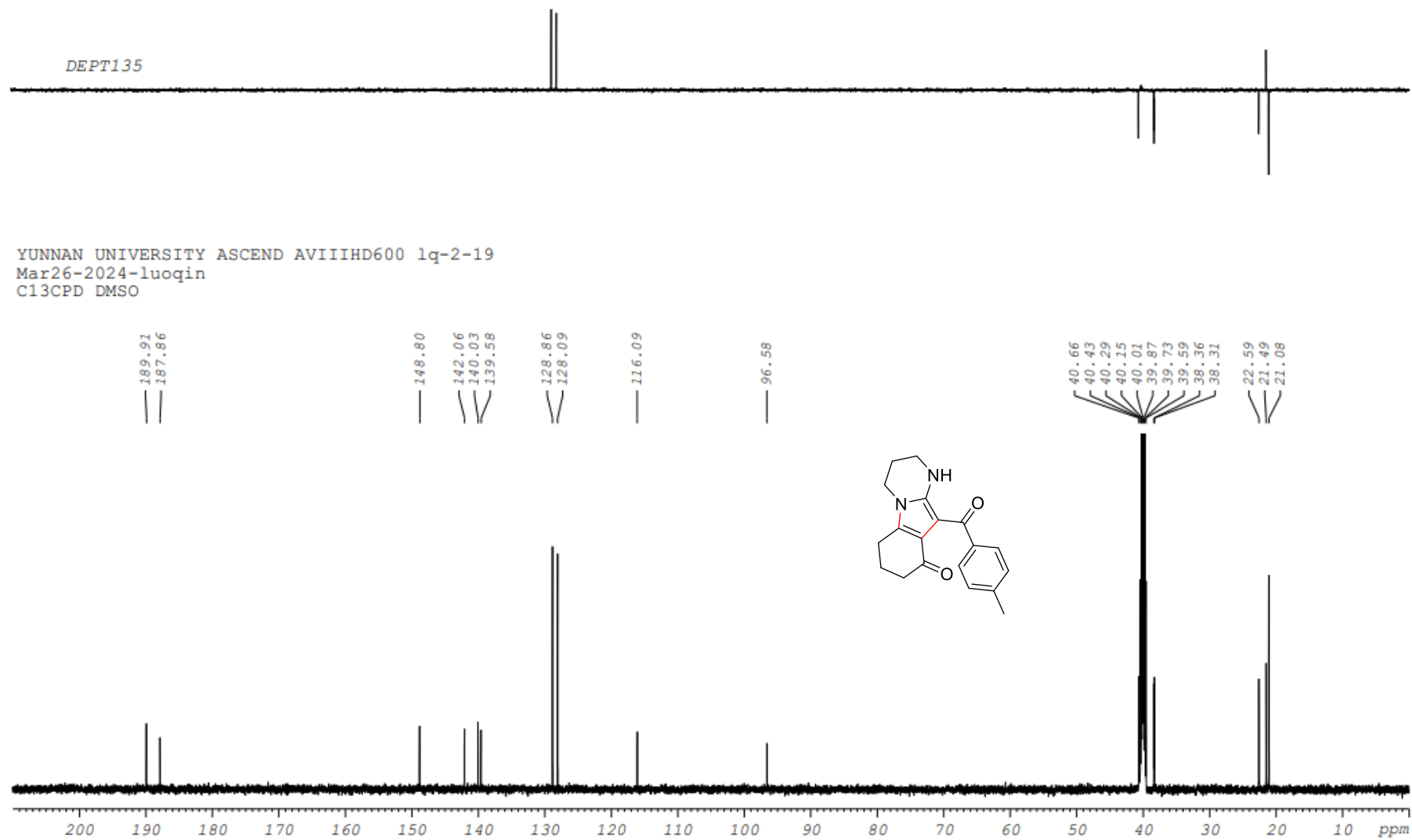


Figure S4. ^{13}C NMR (150 MHz, $\text{DMSO-}d_6$) spectra of compound **3a**

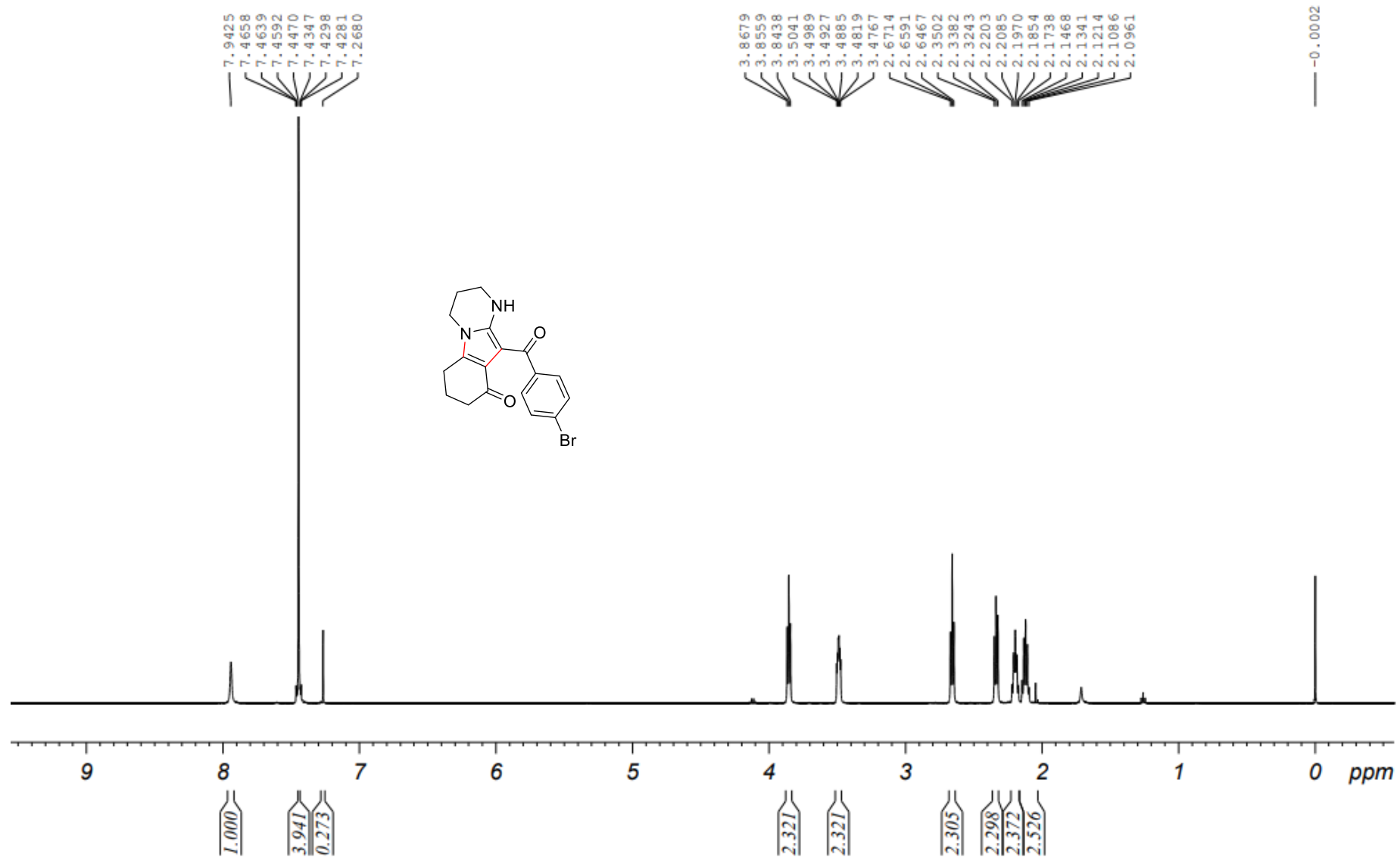


Figure S5. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3-d_6) spectra of compound **3b**

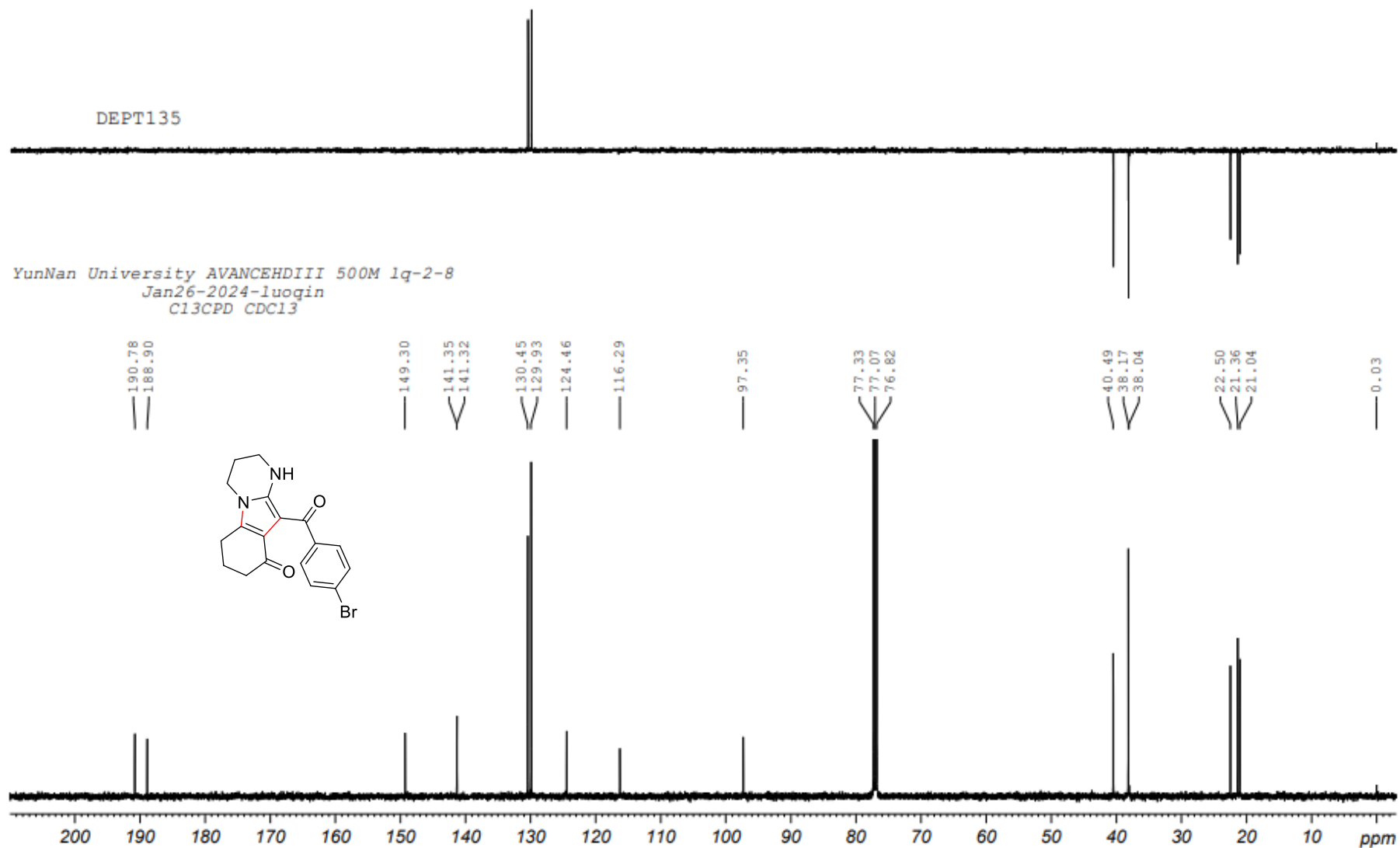


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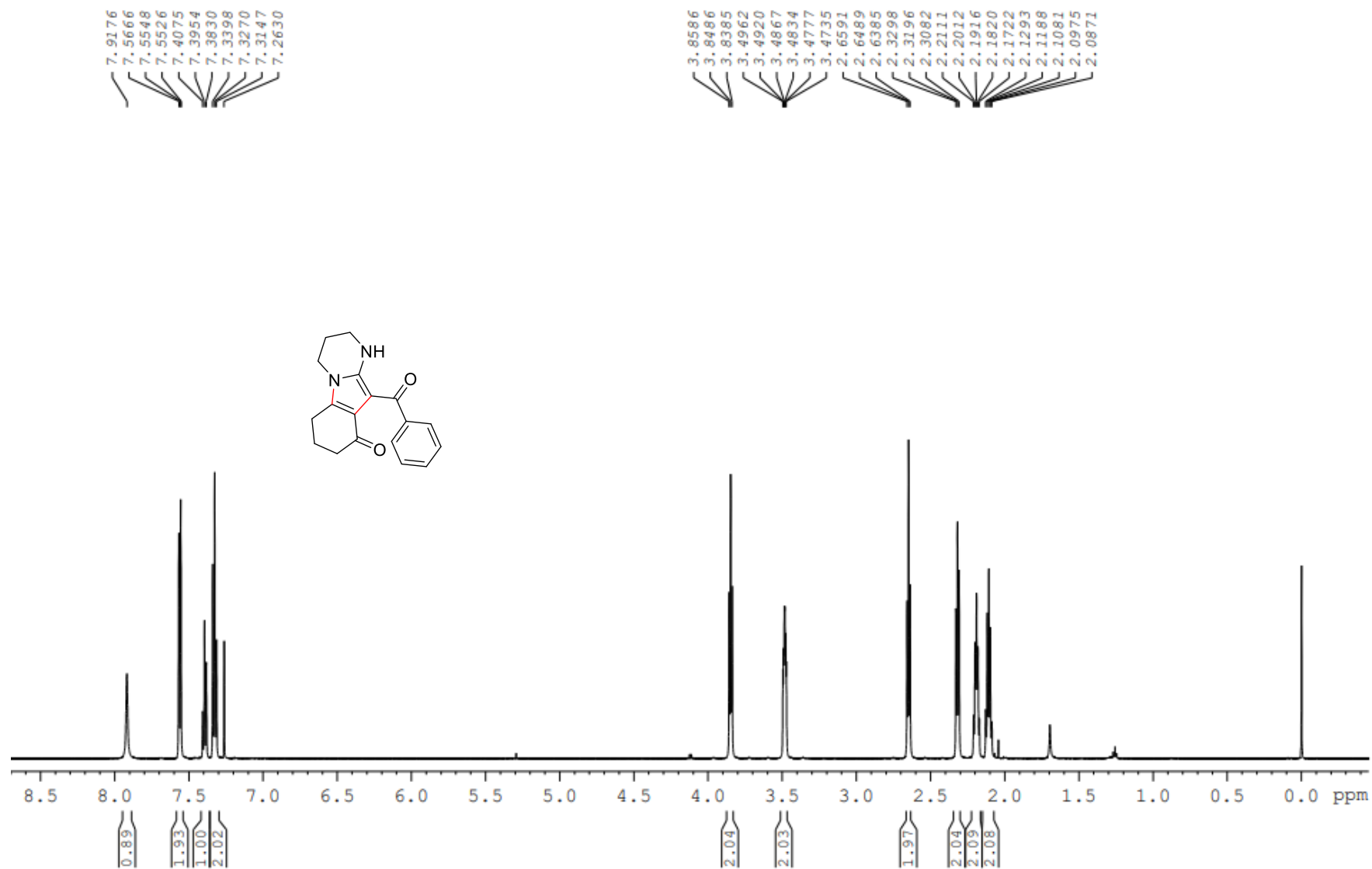


Figure S7. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃-d₆) spectra of compound **3c**

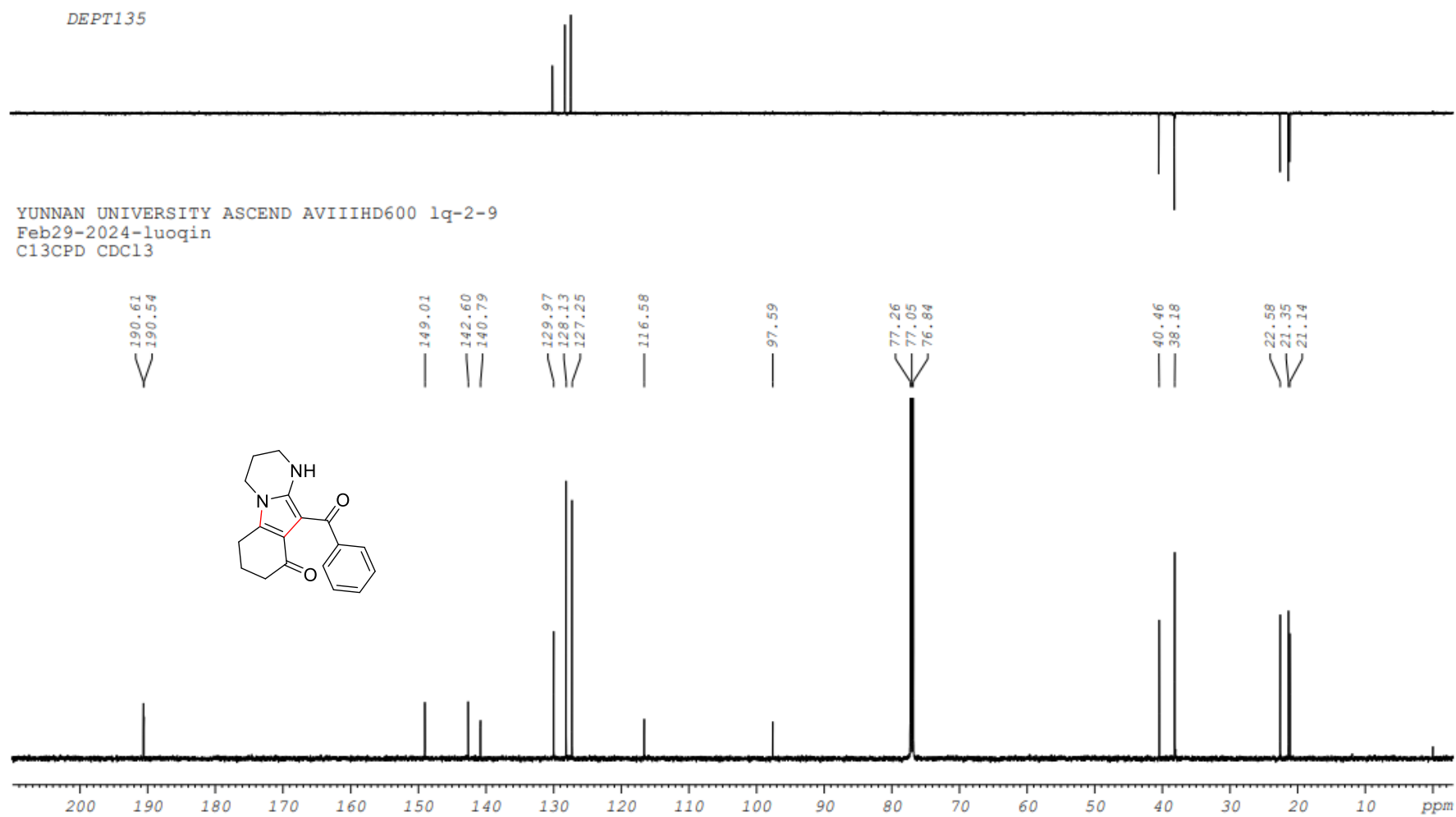


Figure S8. ^{13}C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl_3-d_6) spectra of compound 3c

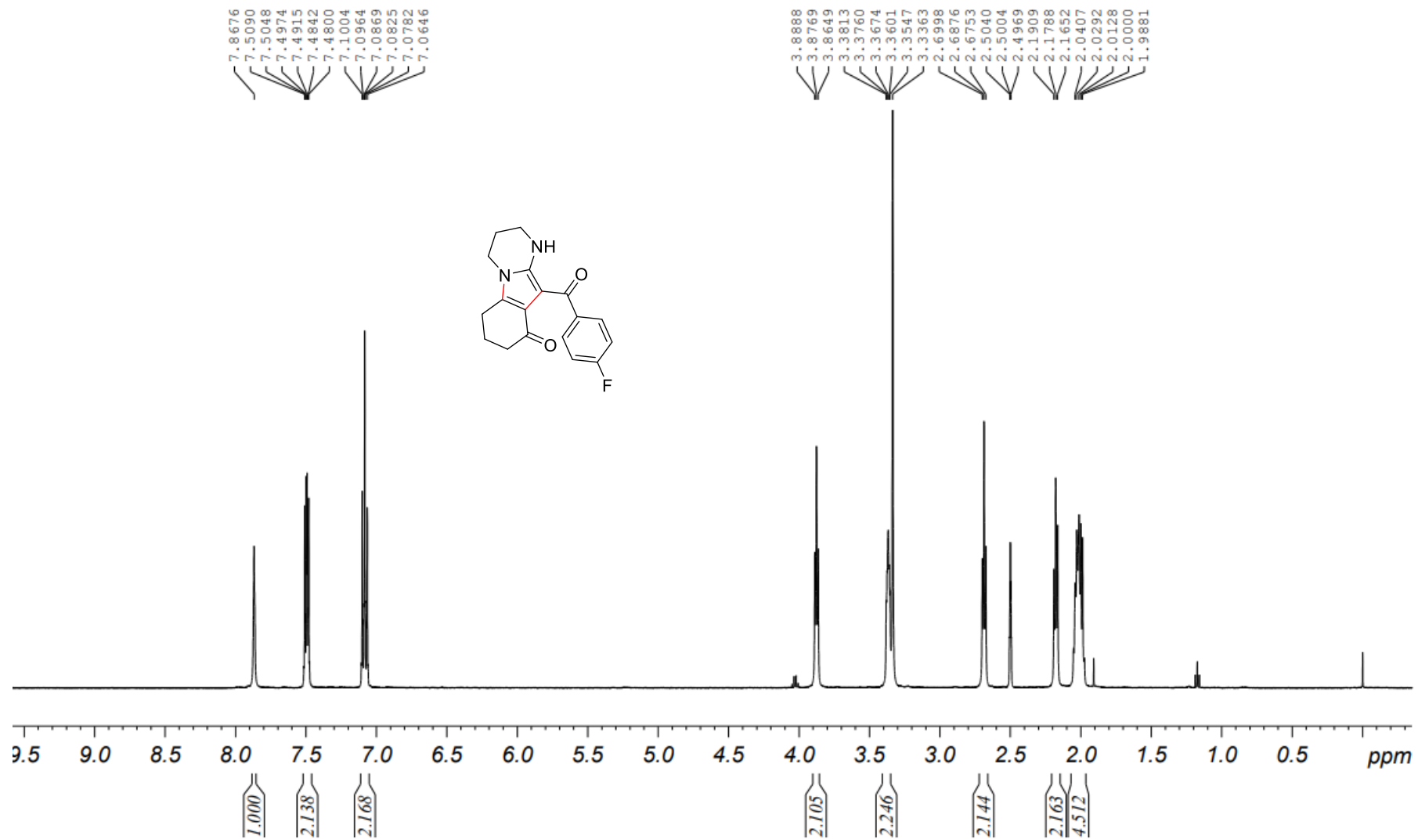


Figure S9. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, $\text{DMSO-}d_6$) spectra of compound **3d**

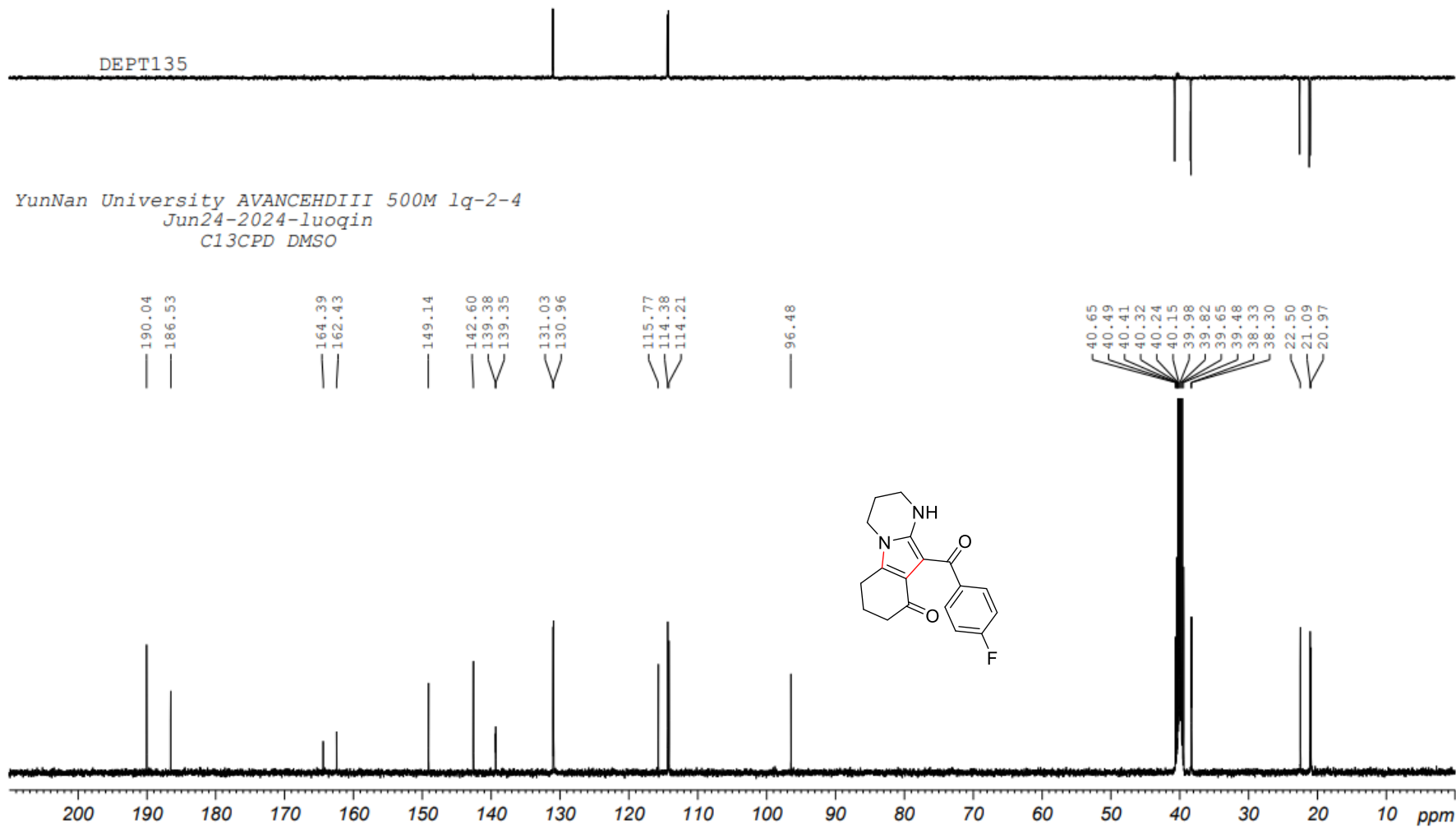


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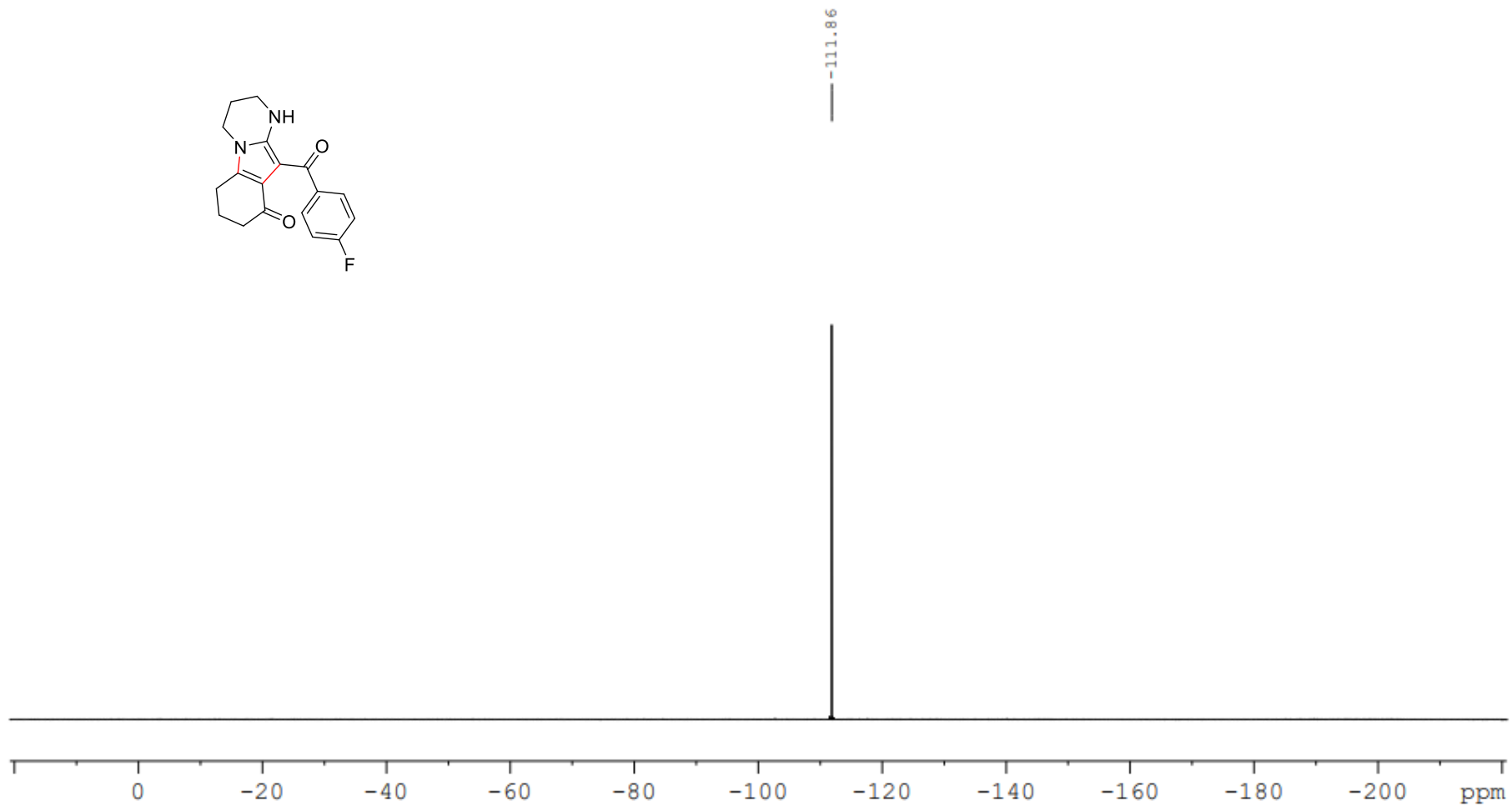


Figure S11. ^{19}F NMR (475 MHz, $\text{DMSO-}d_6$) spectra of compound **3d**

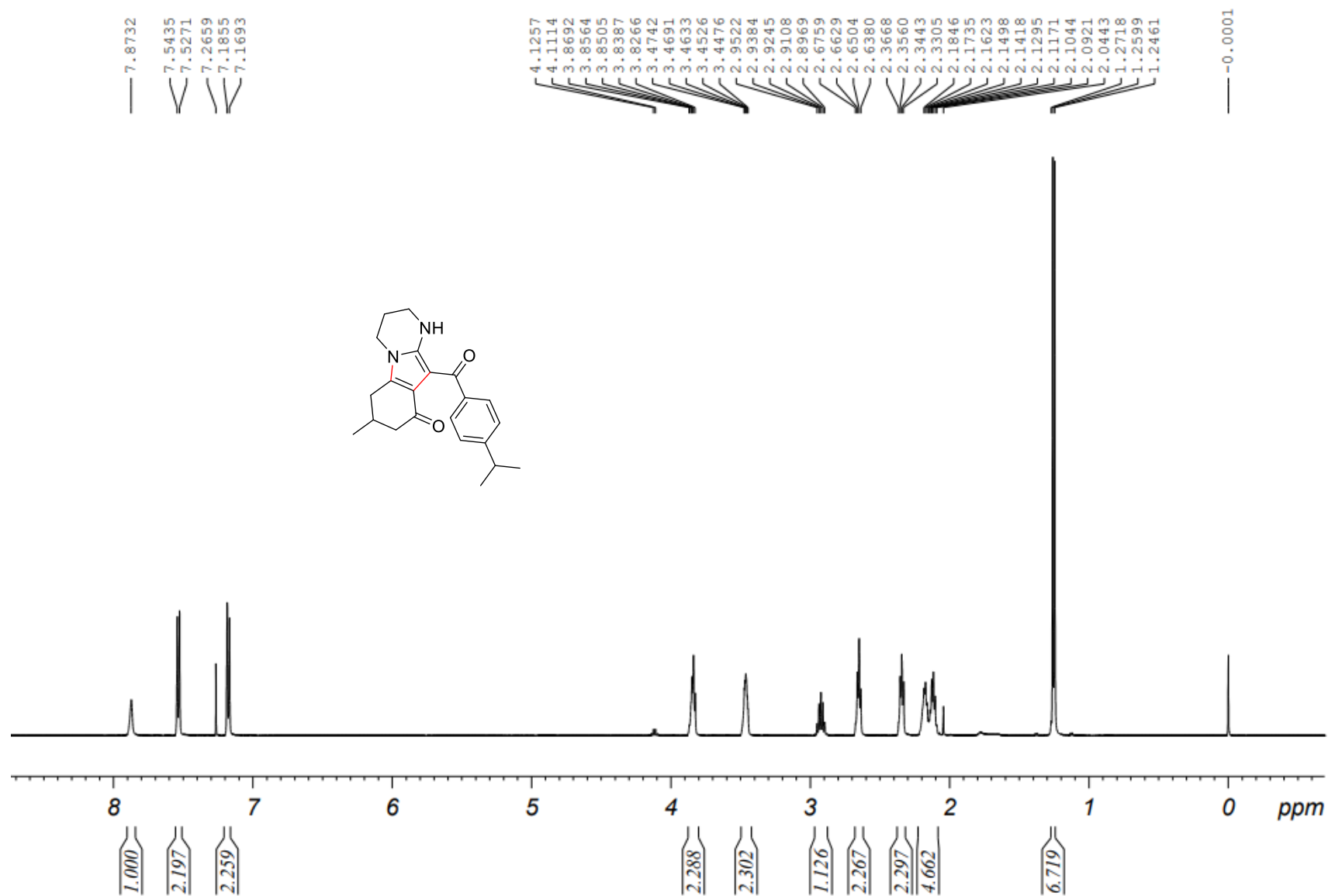


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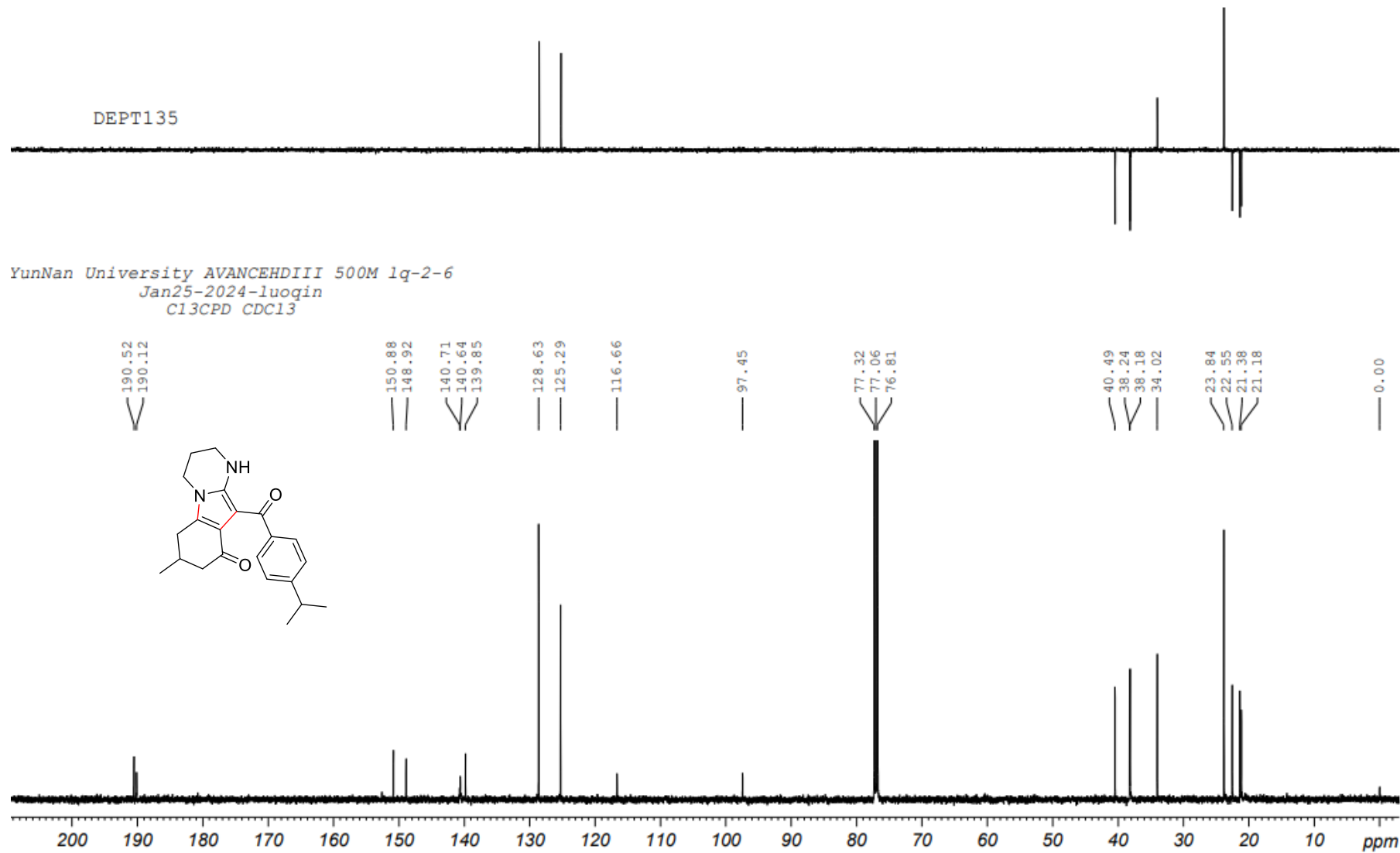


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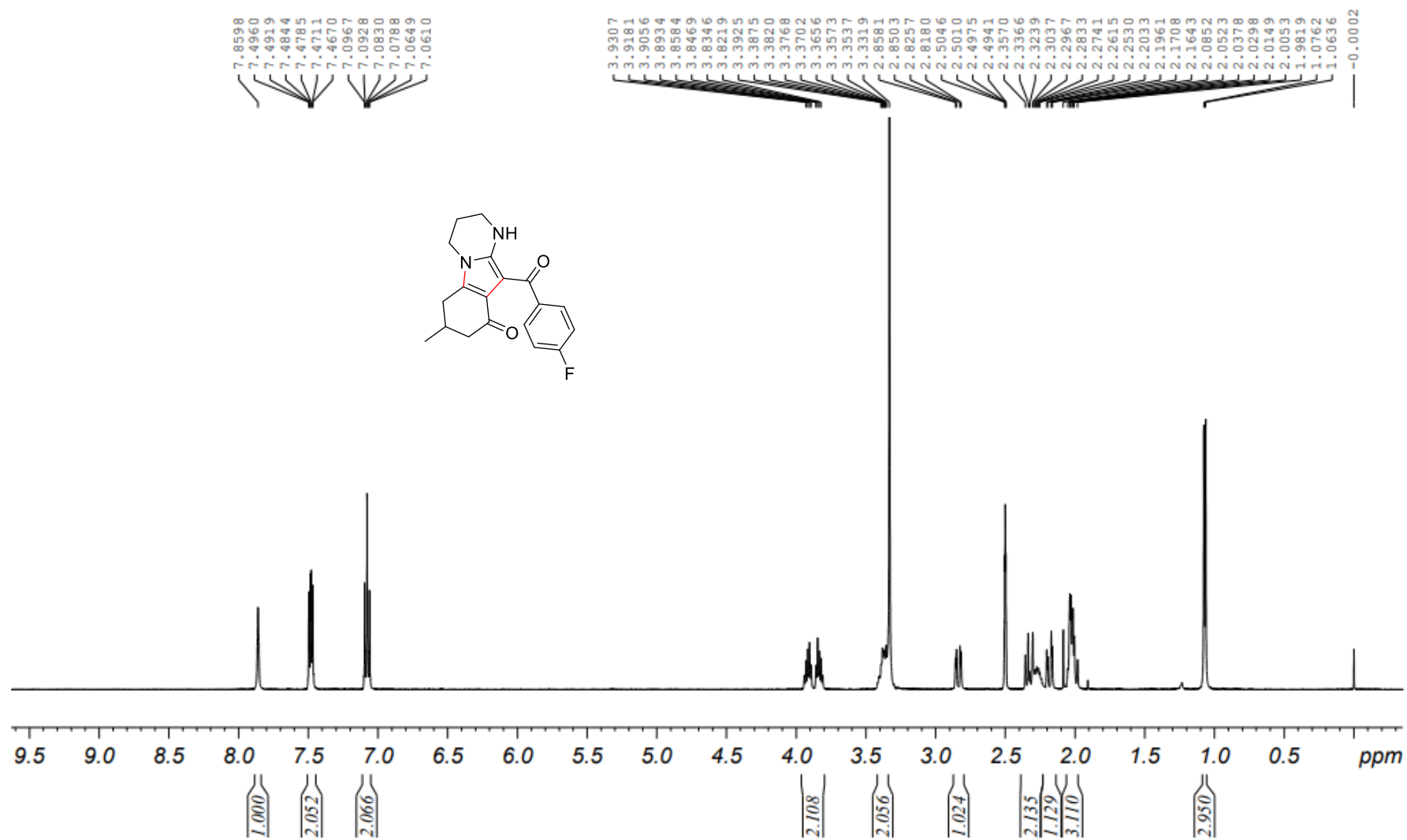


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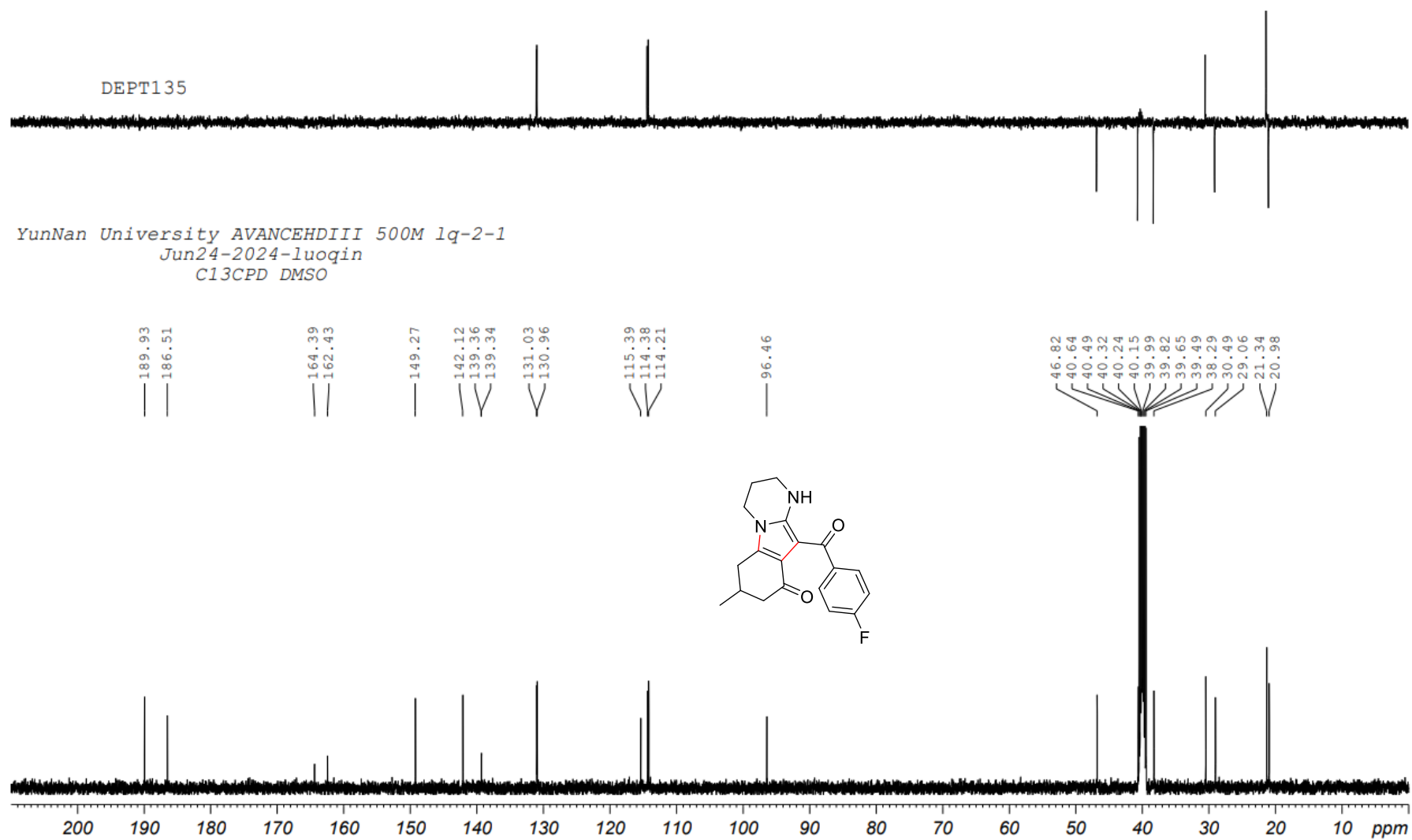


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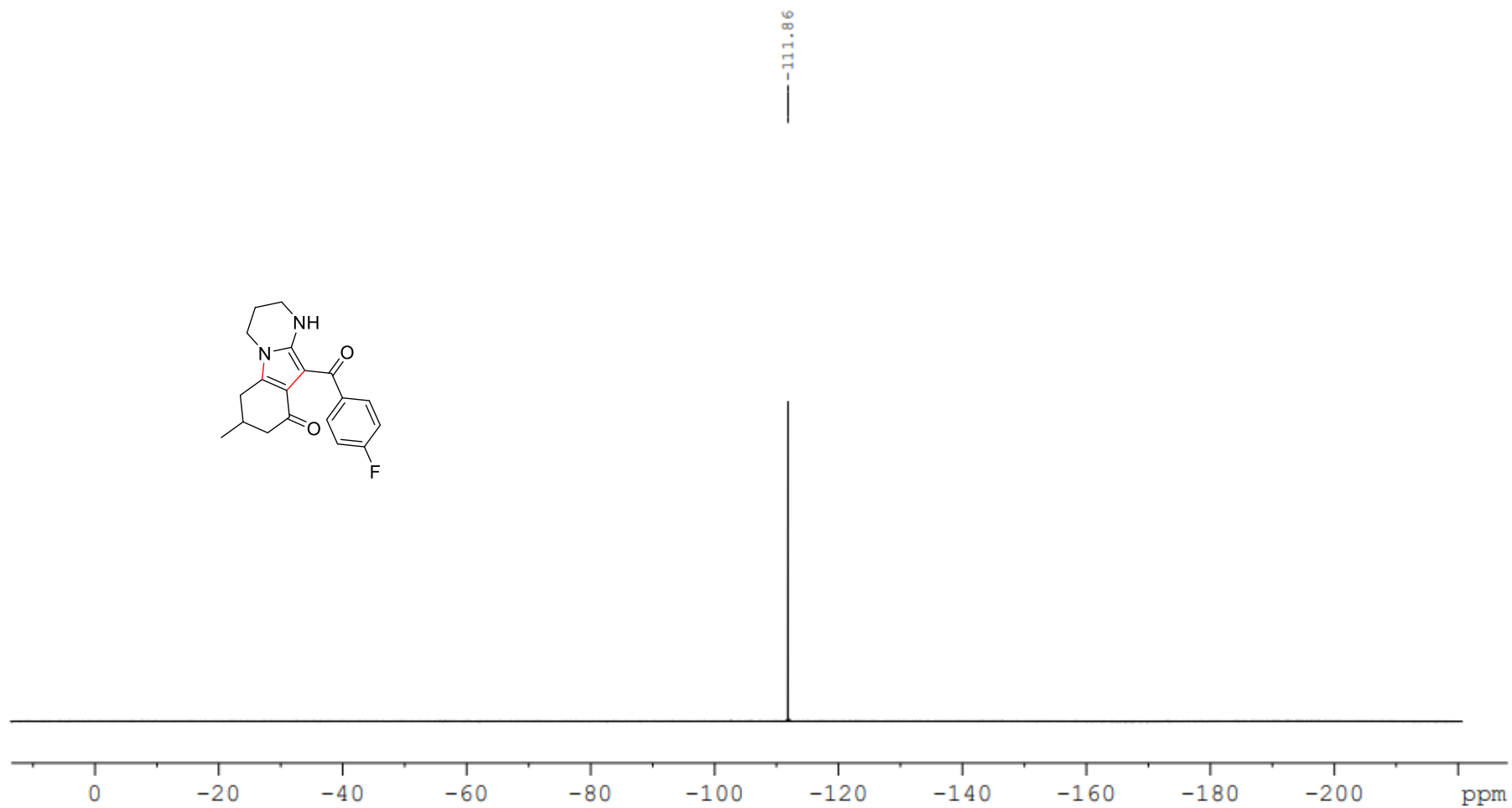


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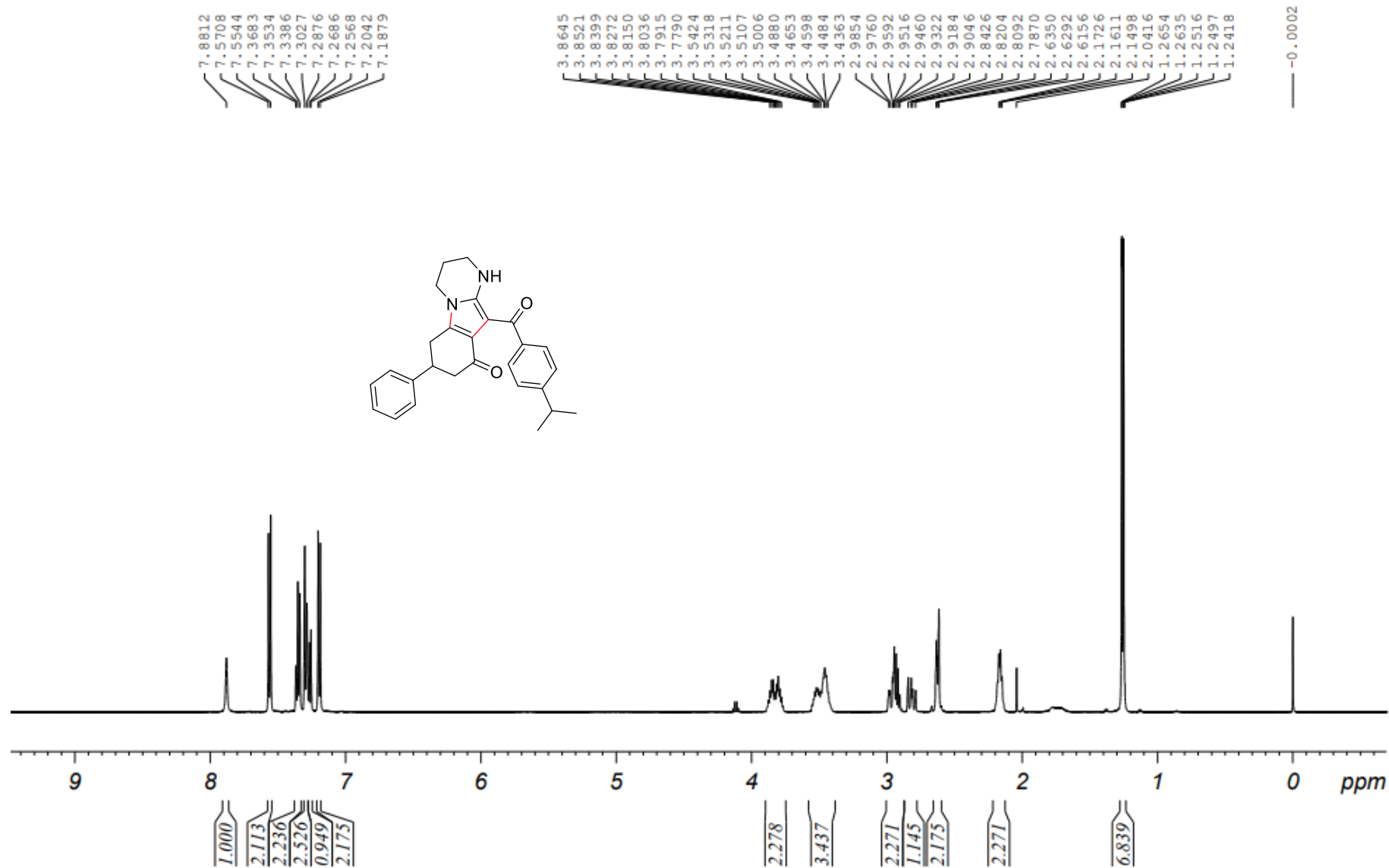


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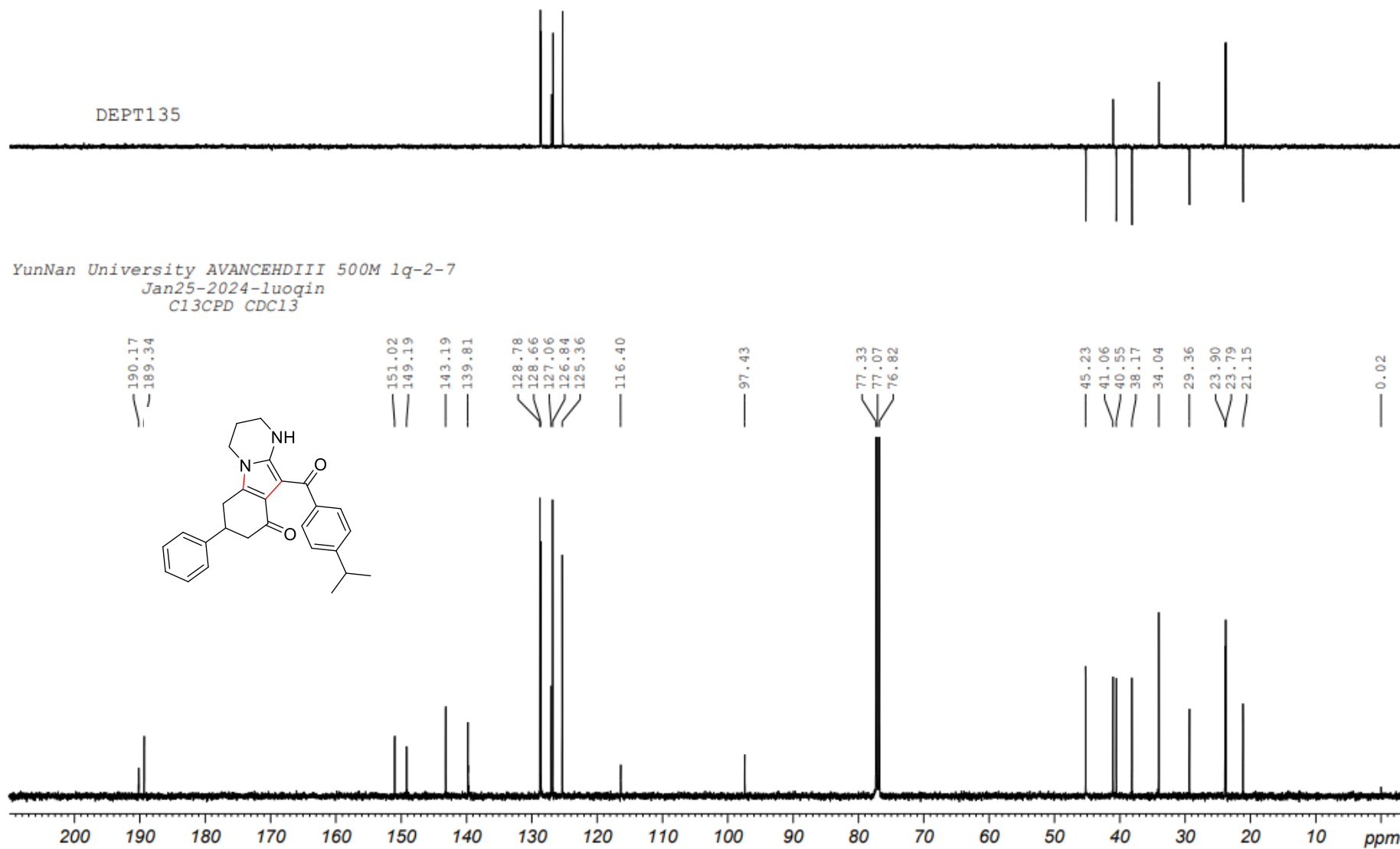


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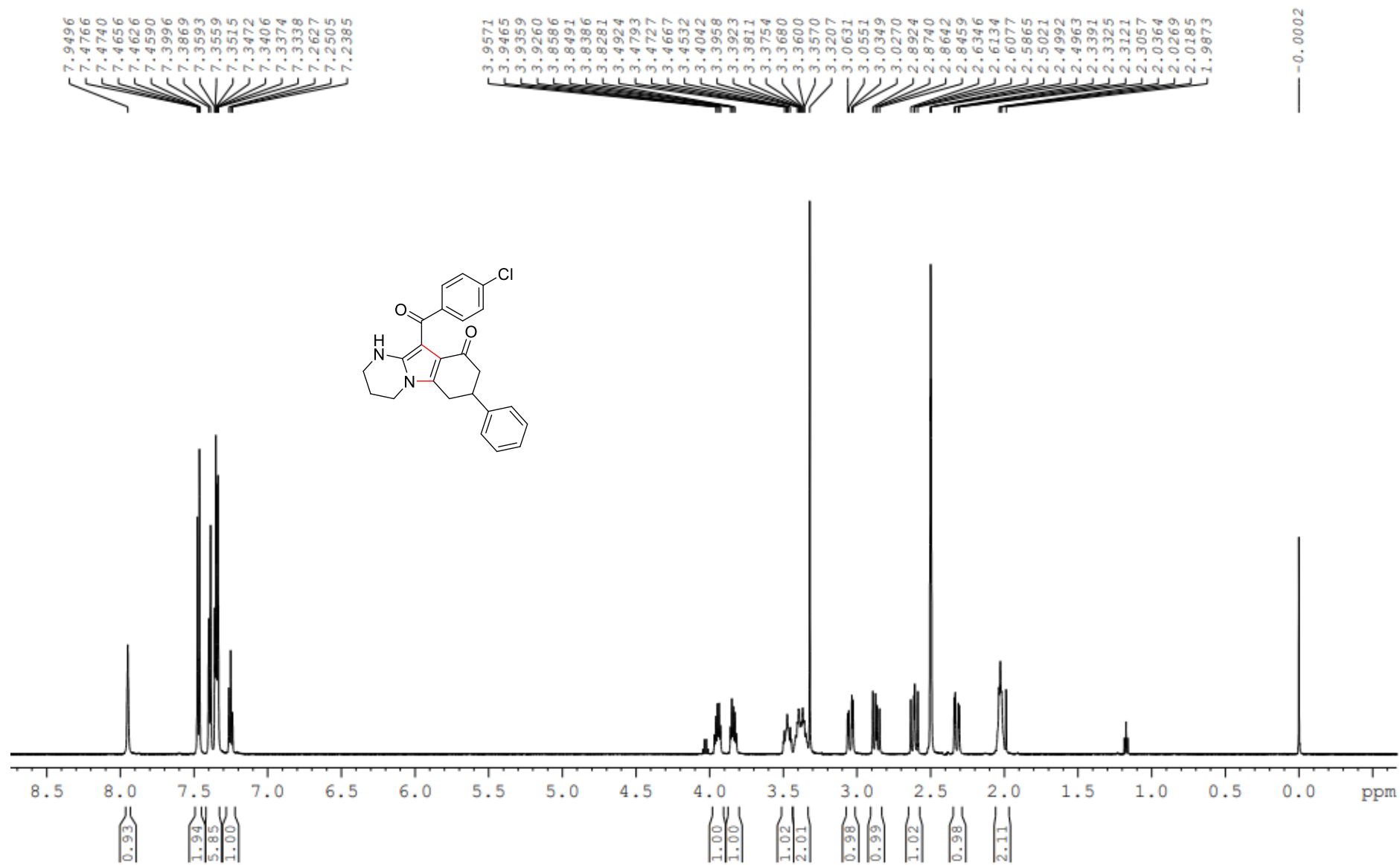
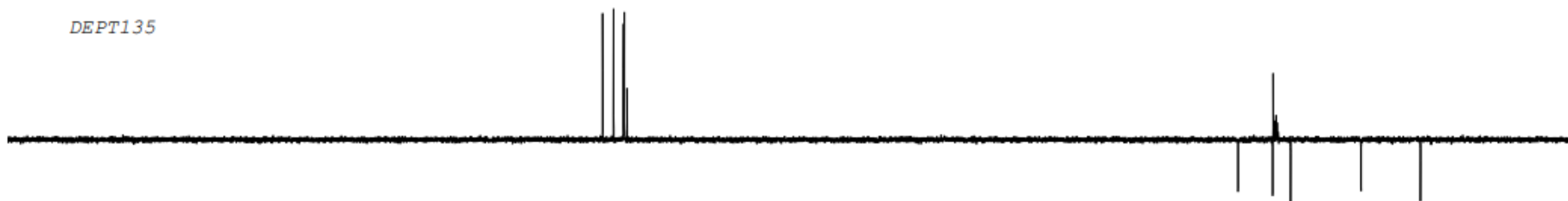


Figure S19. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (600 MHz, $\text{DMSO-}d_6$) spectra of compound **3h**

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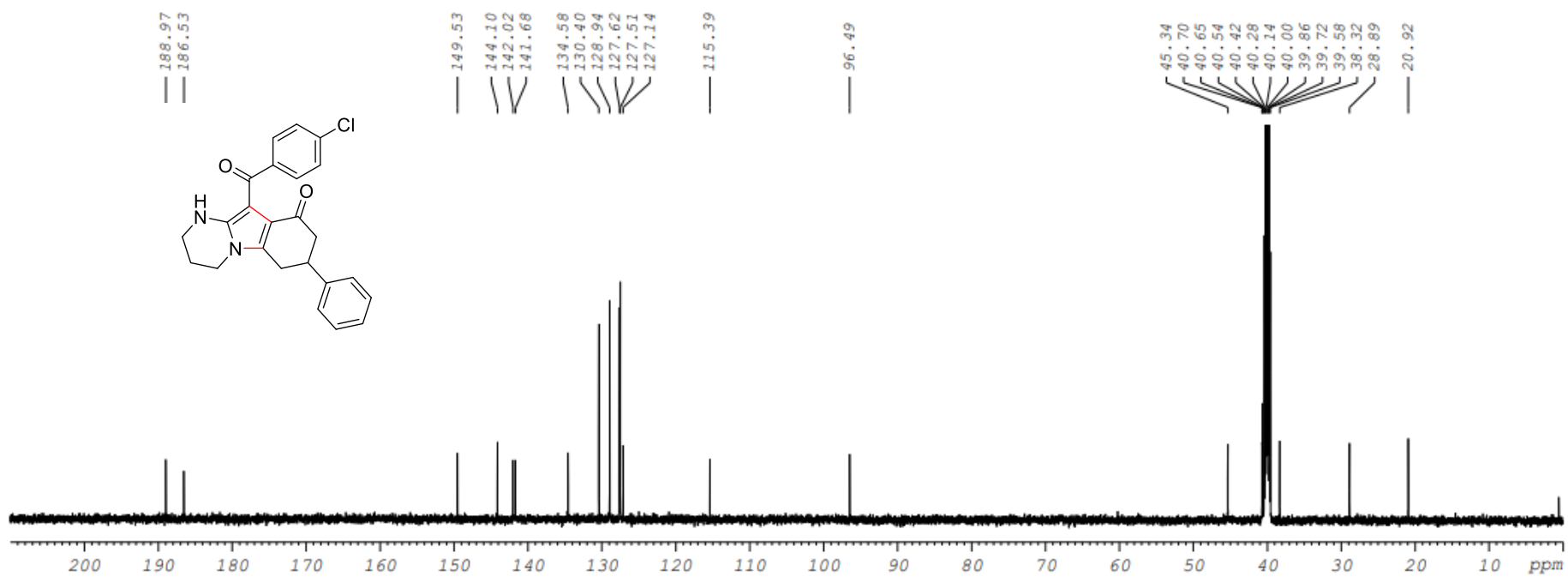


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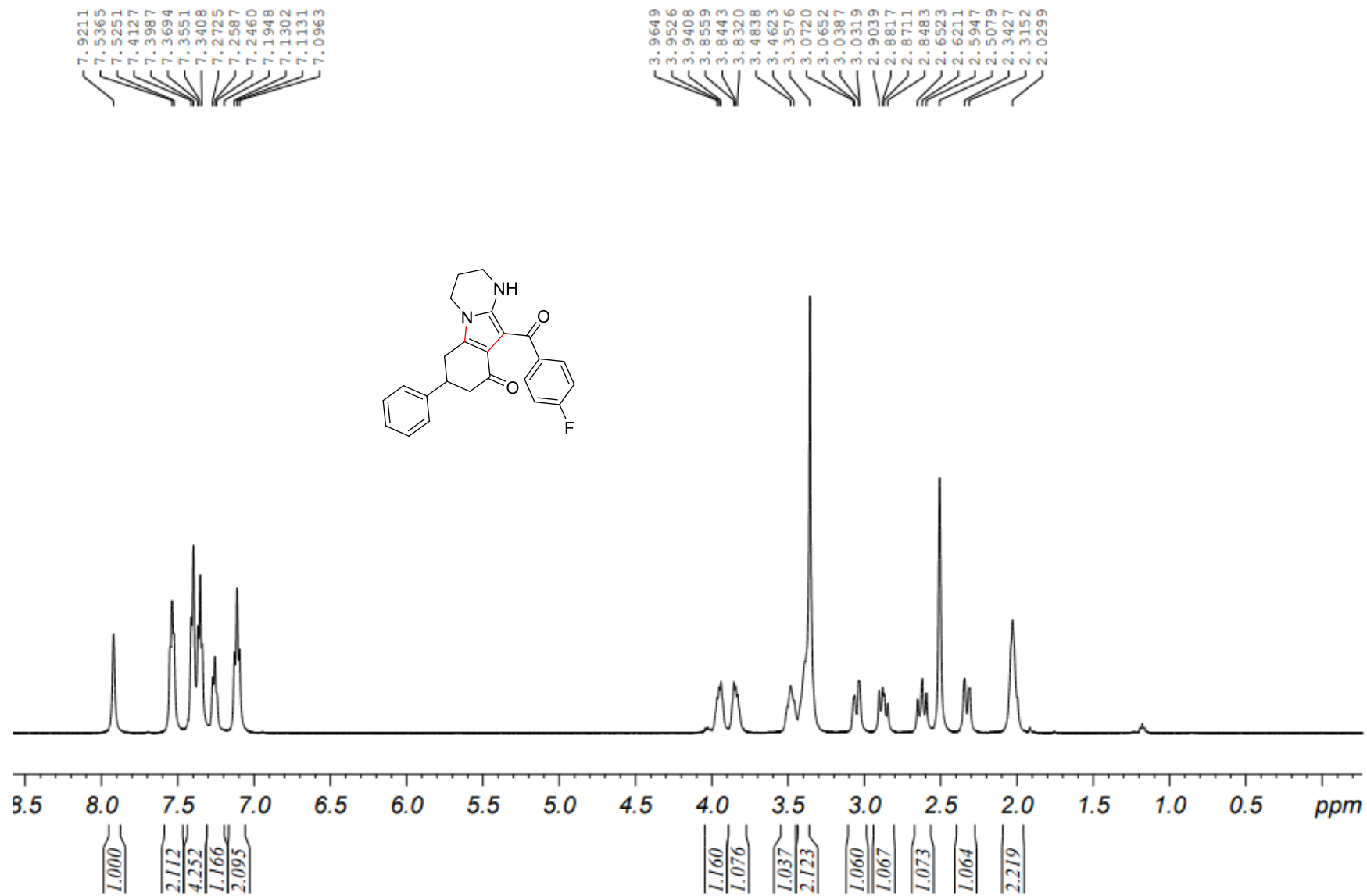


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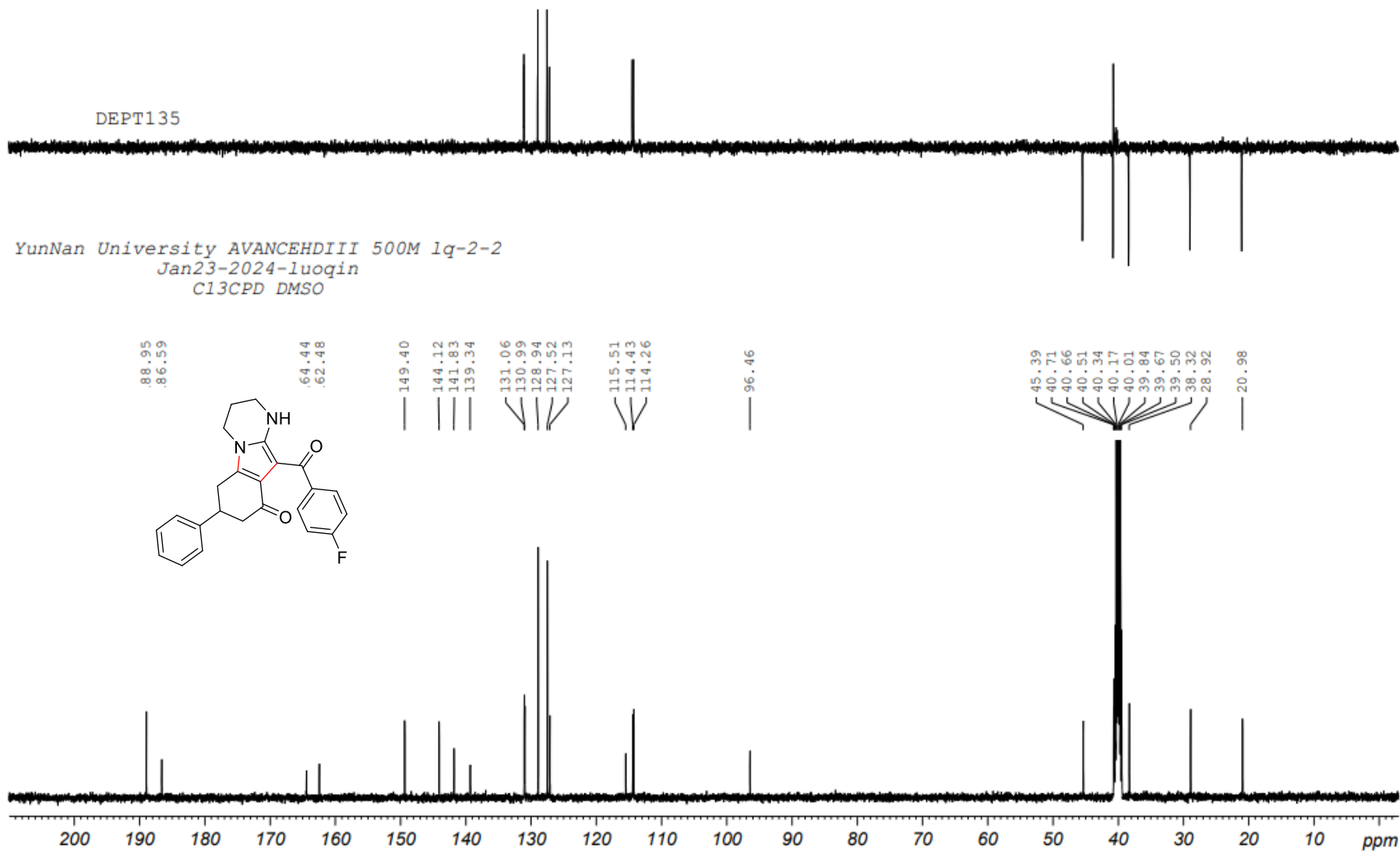


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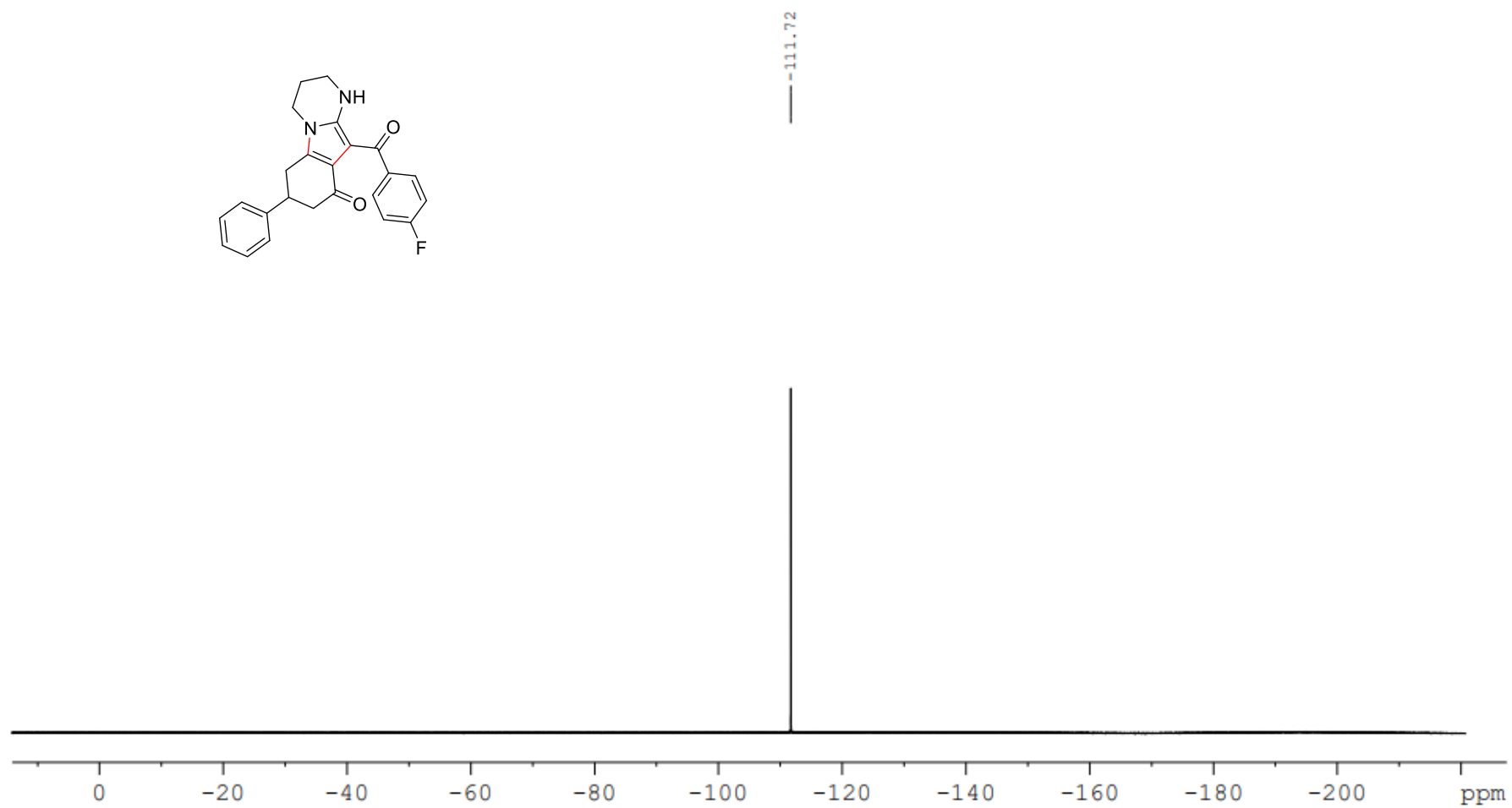


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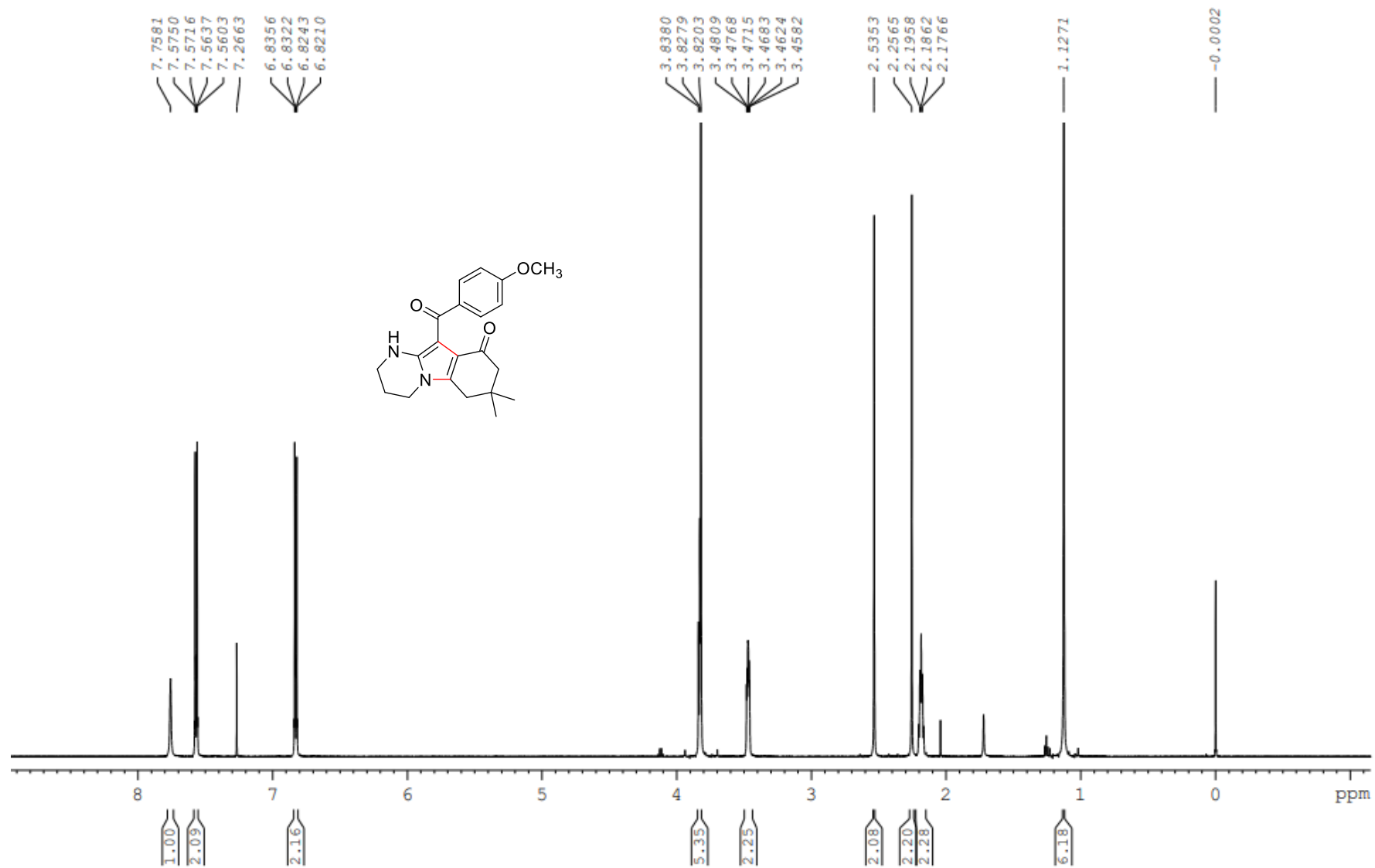


Figure S24. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (600 MHz, CDCl_3-d_6) spectra of compound **3j**

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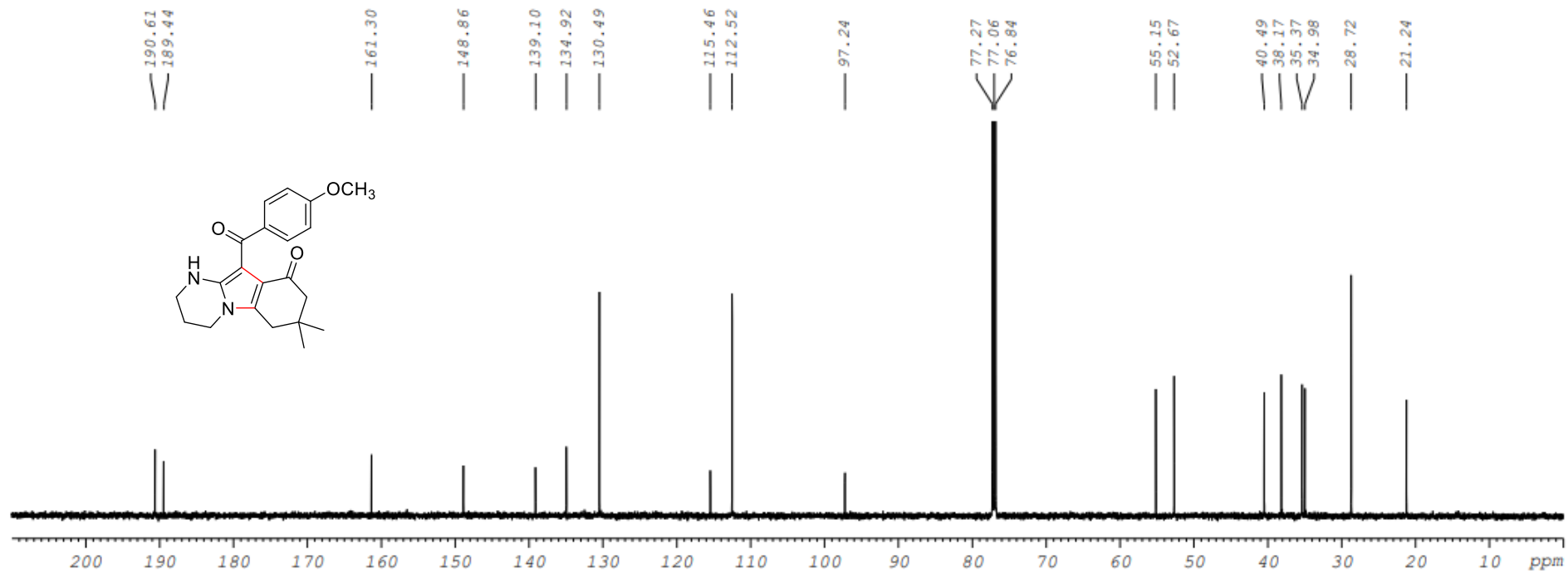


Figure S25. ^{13}C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl_3-d_6) spectra of compound **3j**

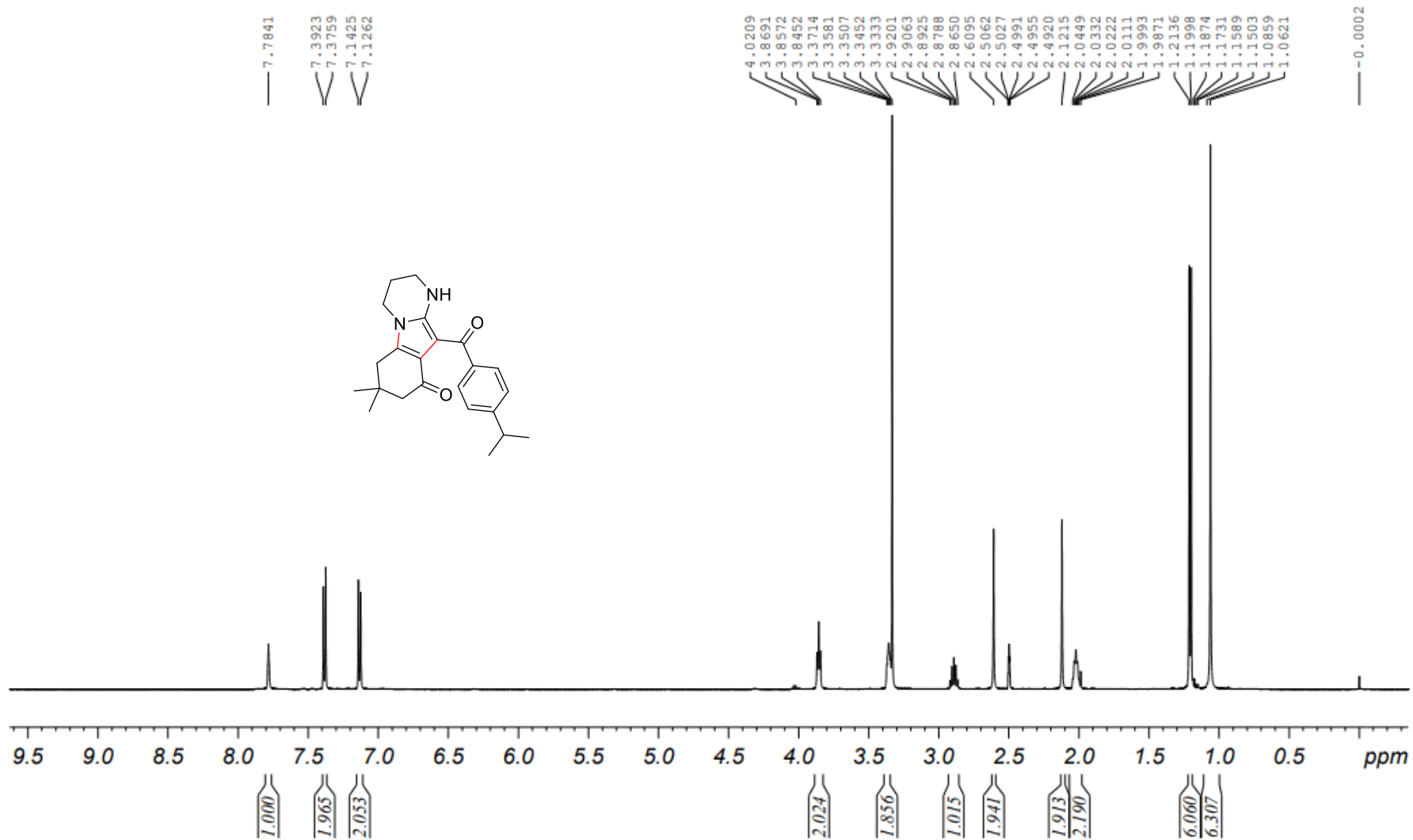


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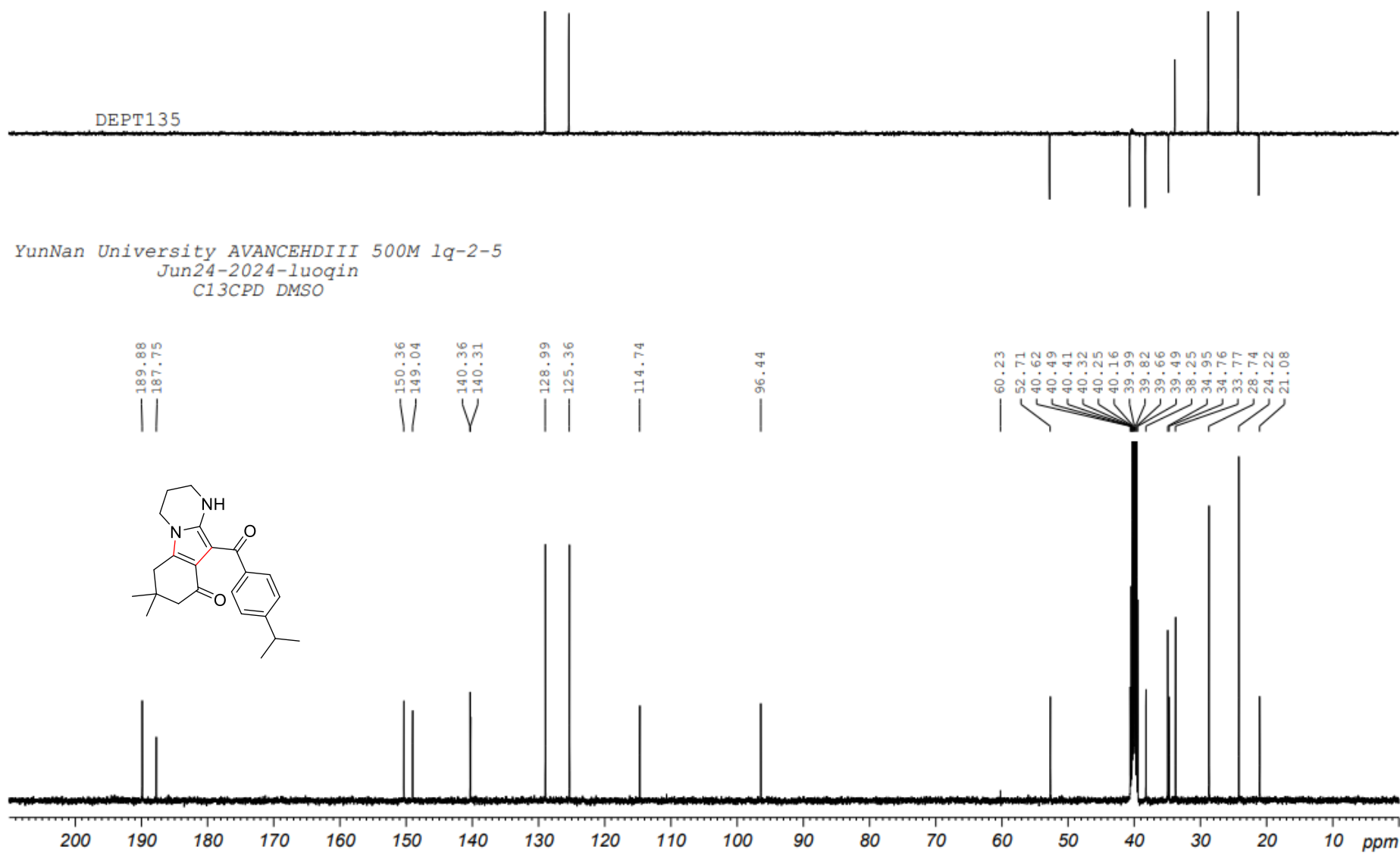


Figure S27. ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) spectra of compound 3k

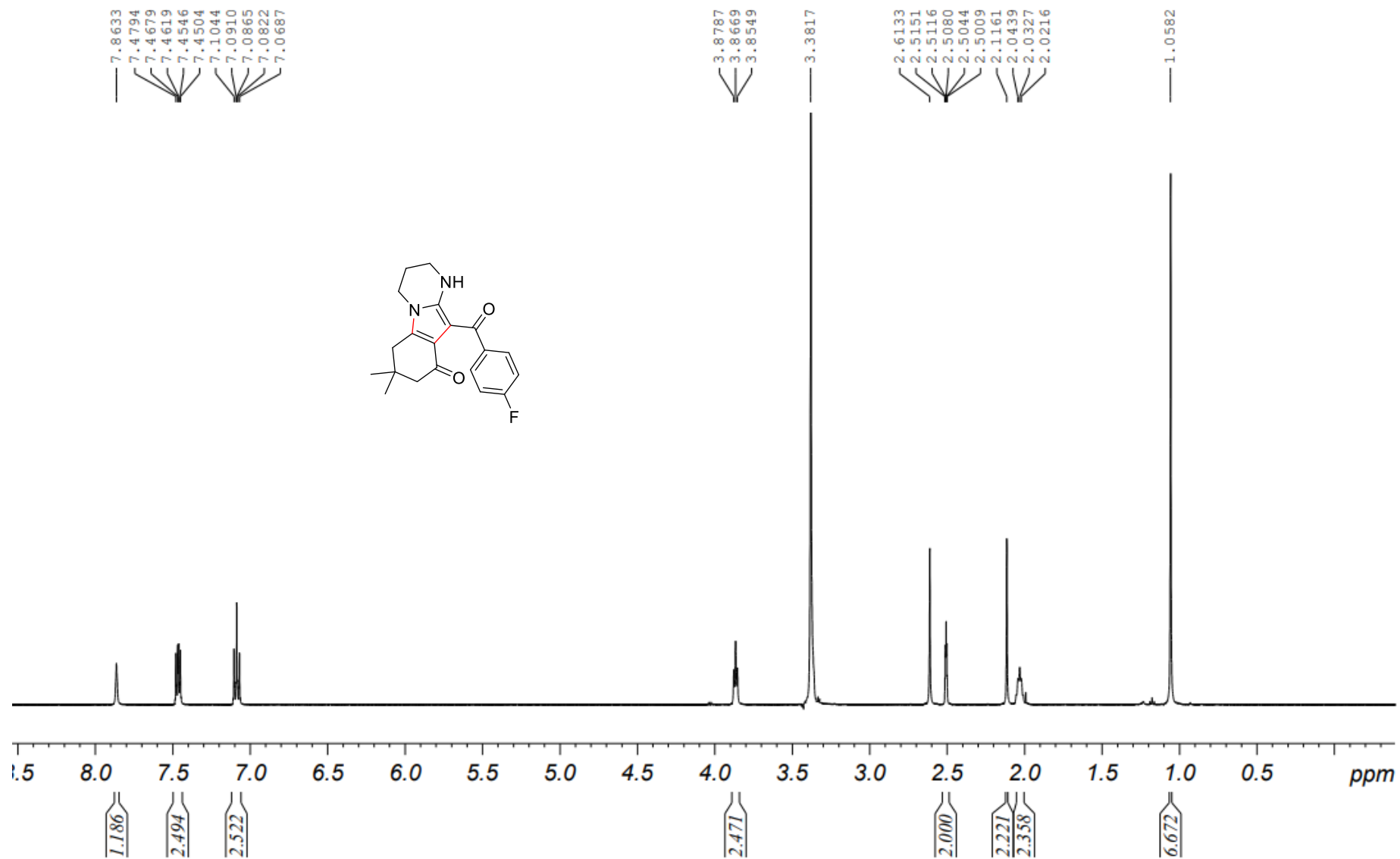


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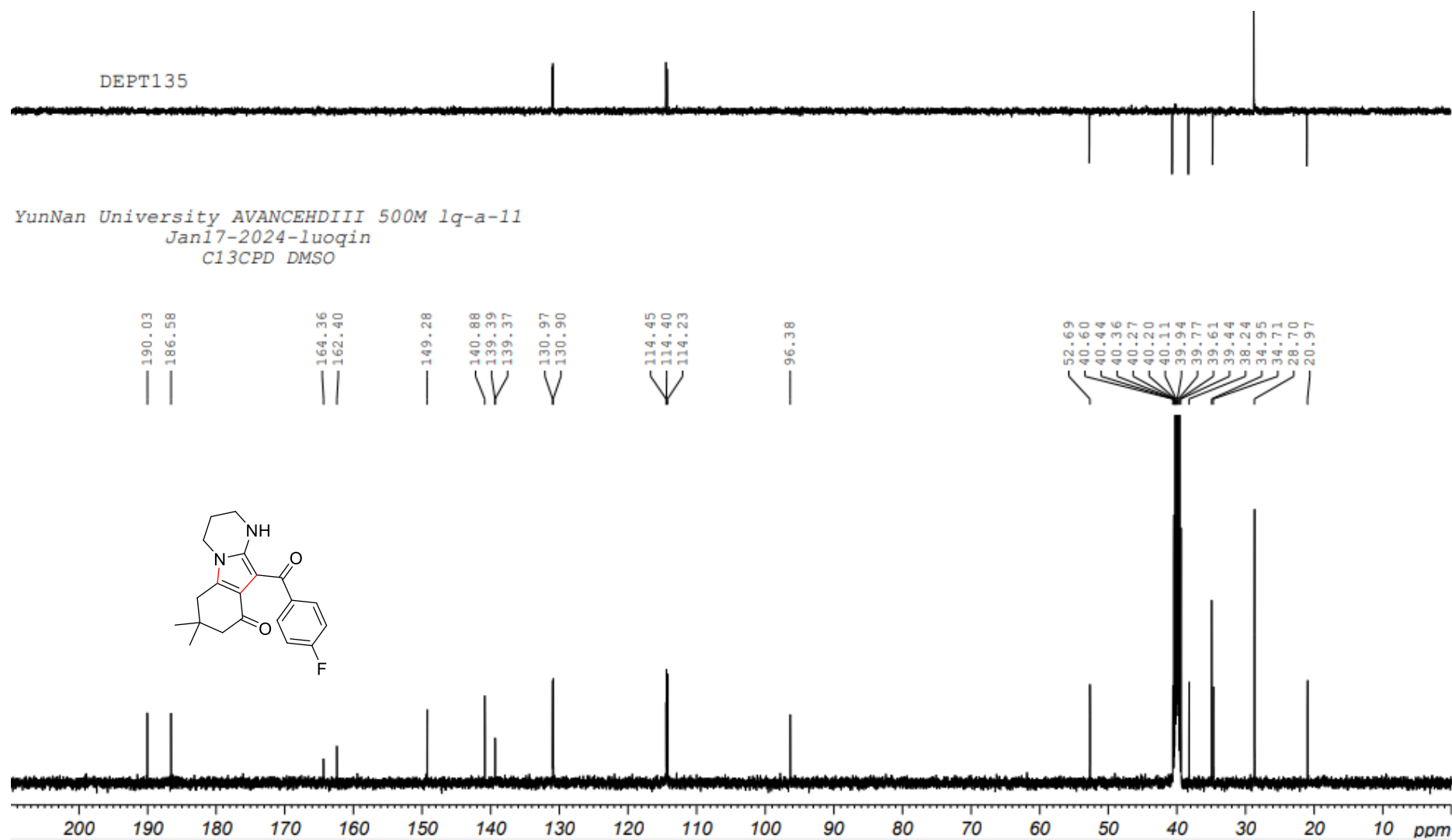


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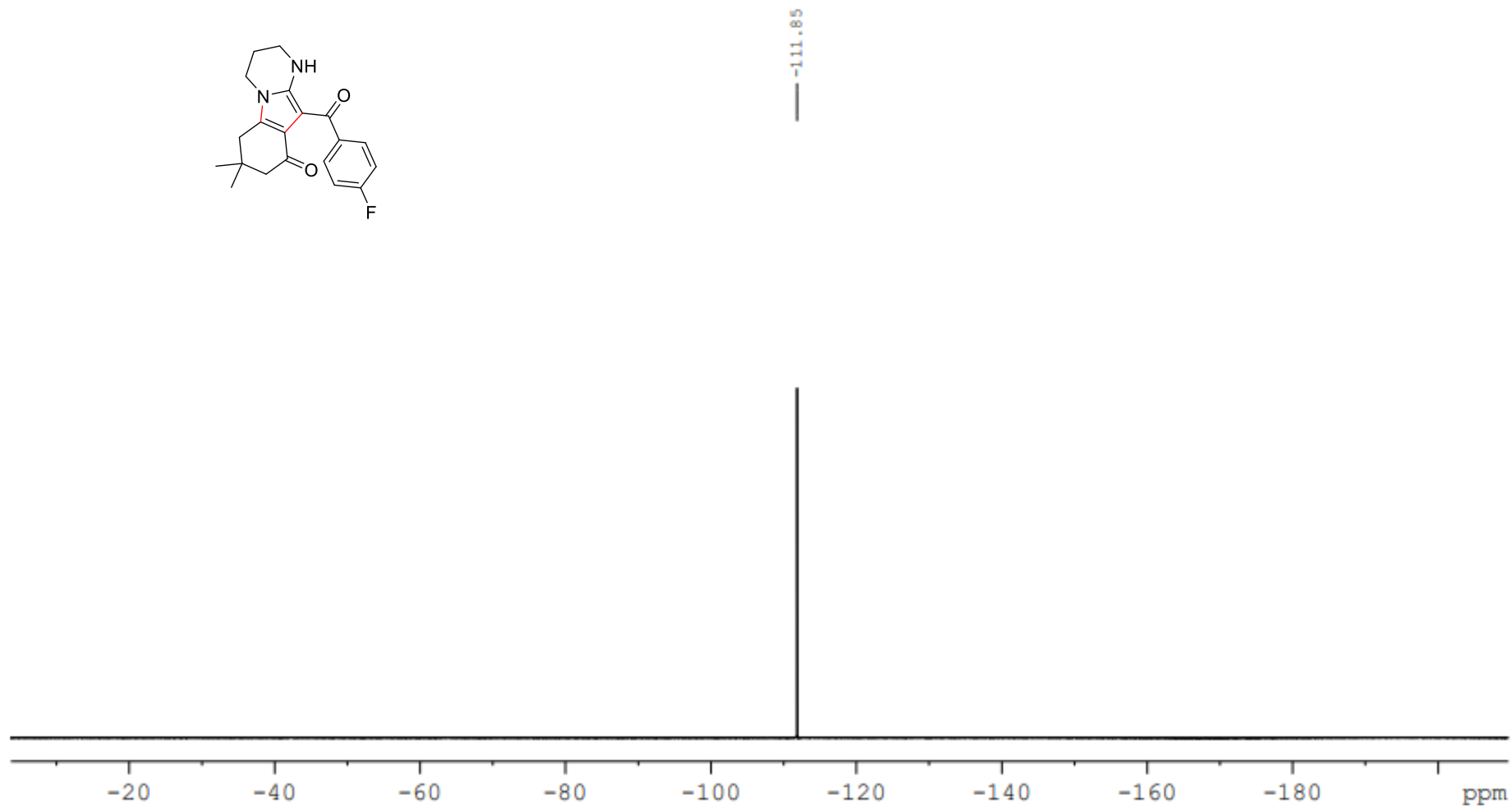
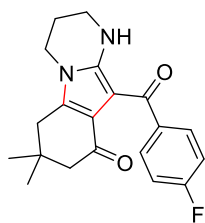


Figure S30. ^{19}F NMR (475 MHz, $\text{DMSO-}d_6$) spectra of compound **31**

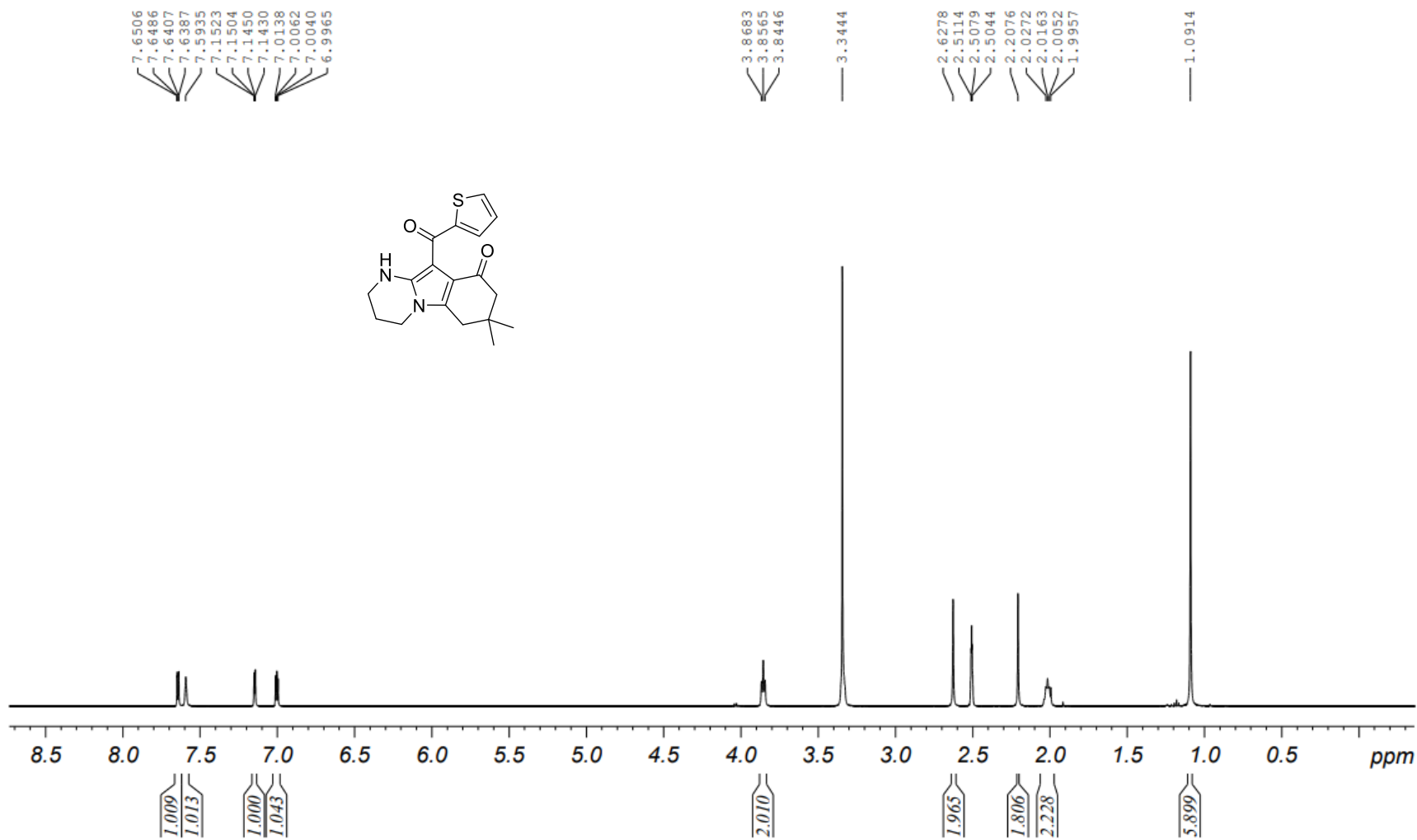


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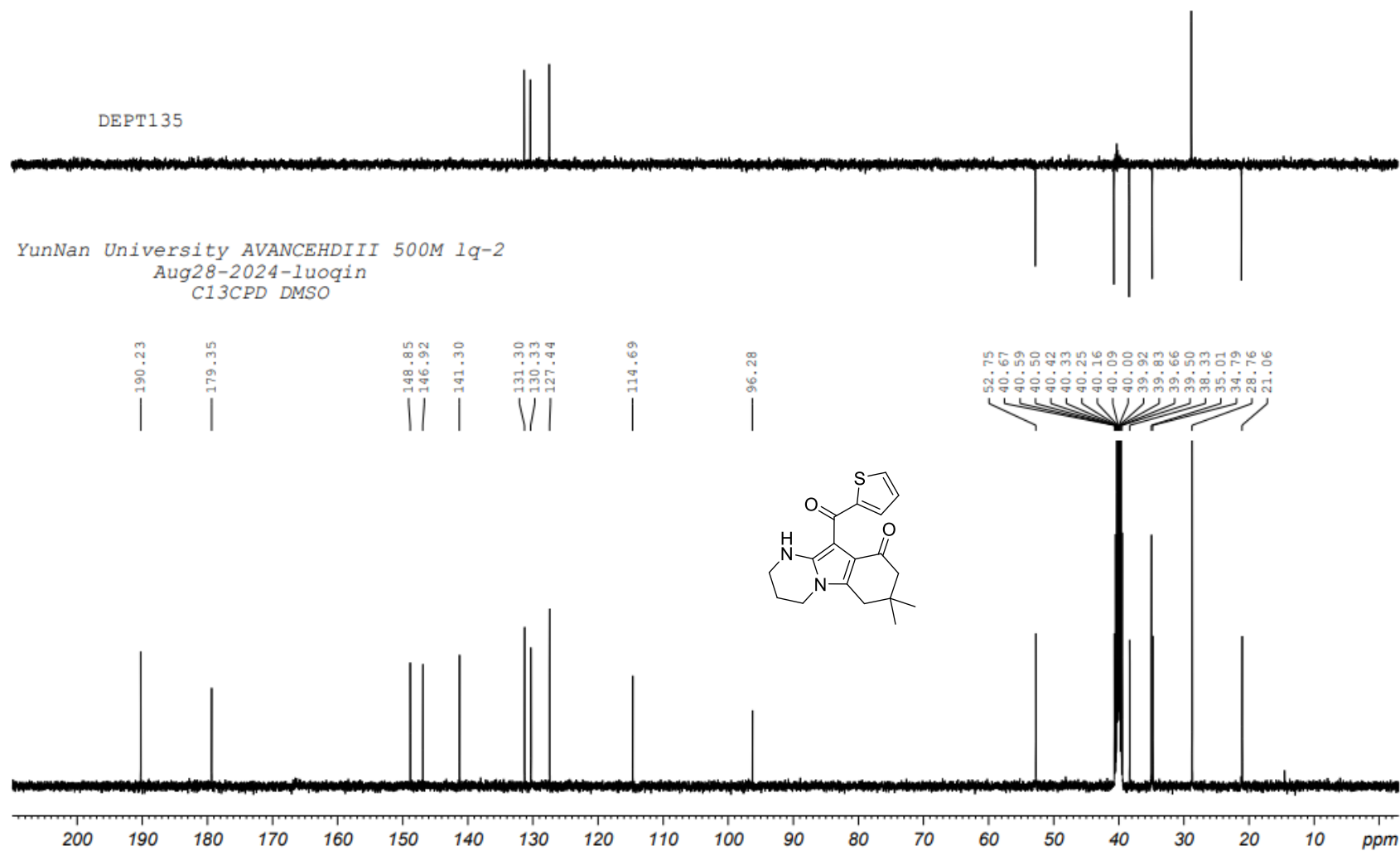


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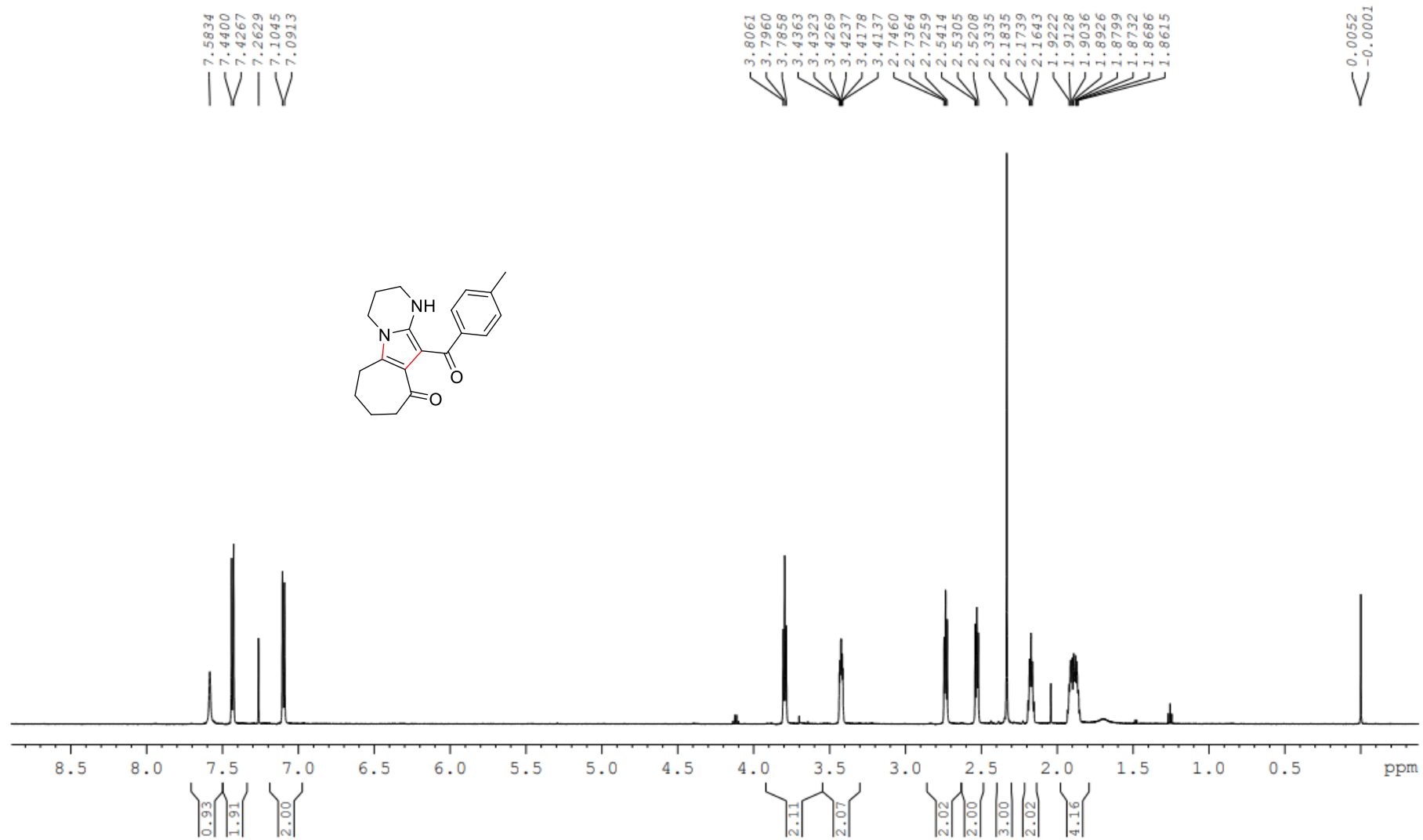


Figure S33. $^1\text{H NMR}$ (600 MHz, CDCl_3-d_6) spectra of compound **3n**

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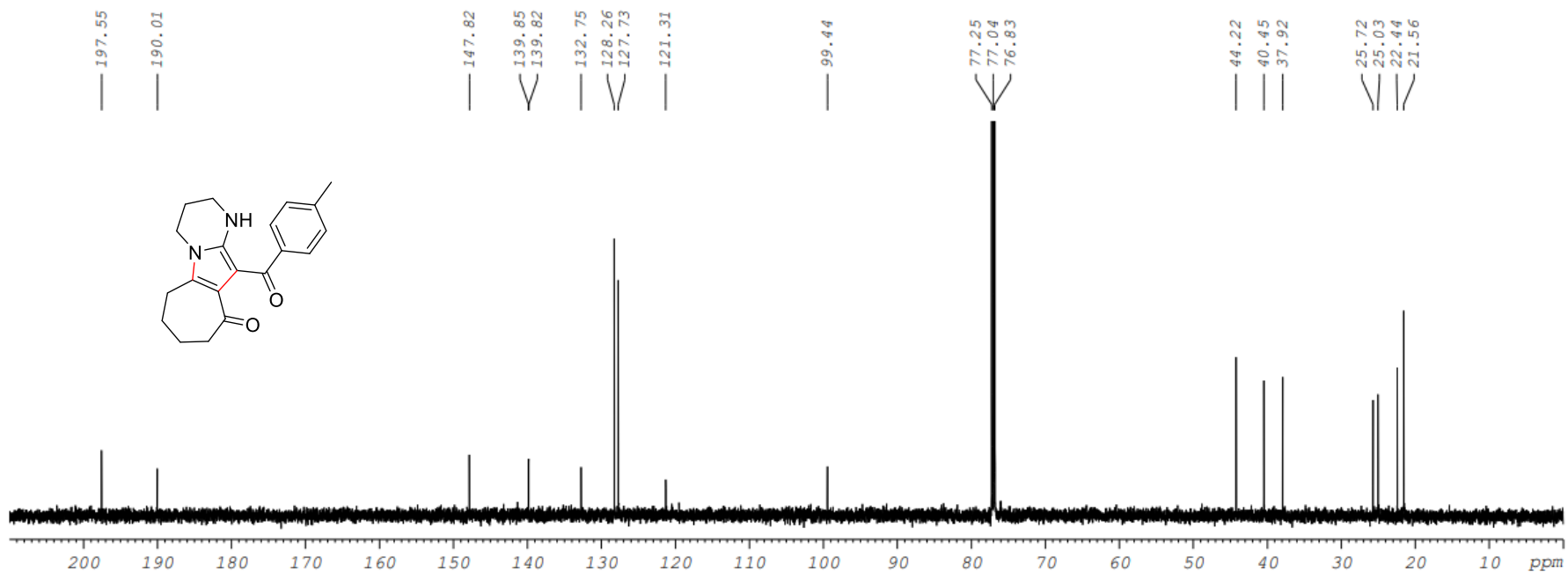


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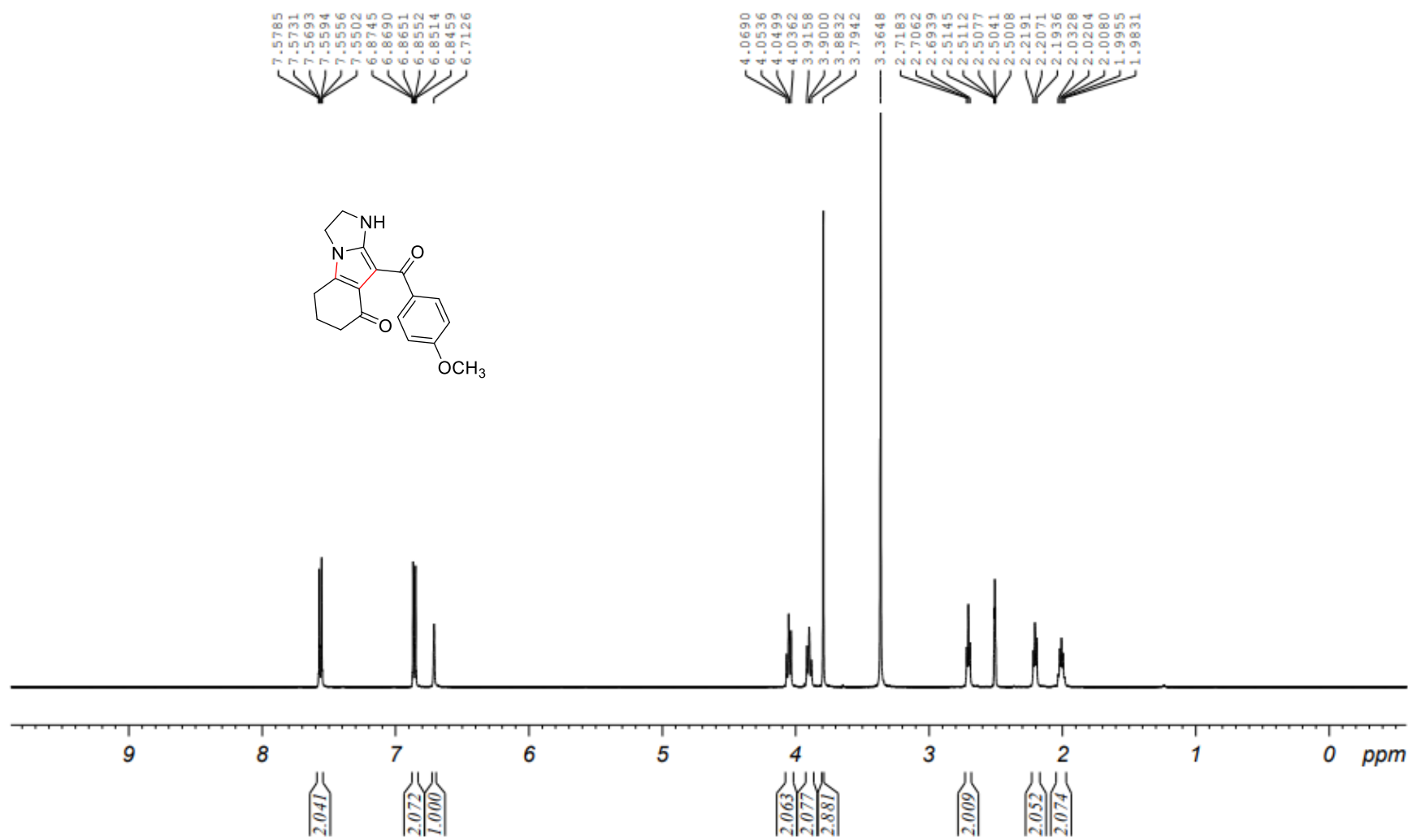


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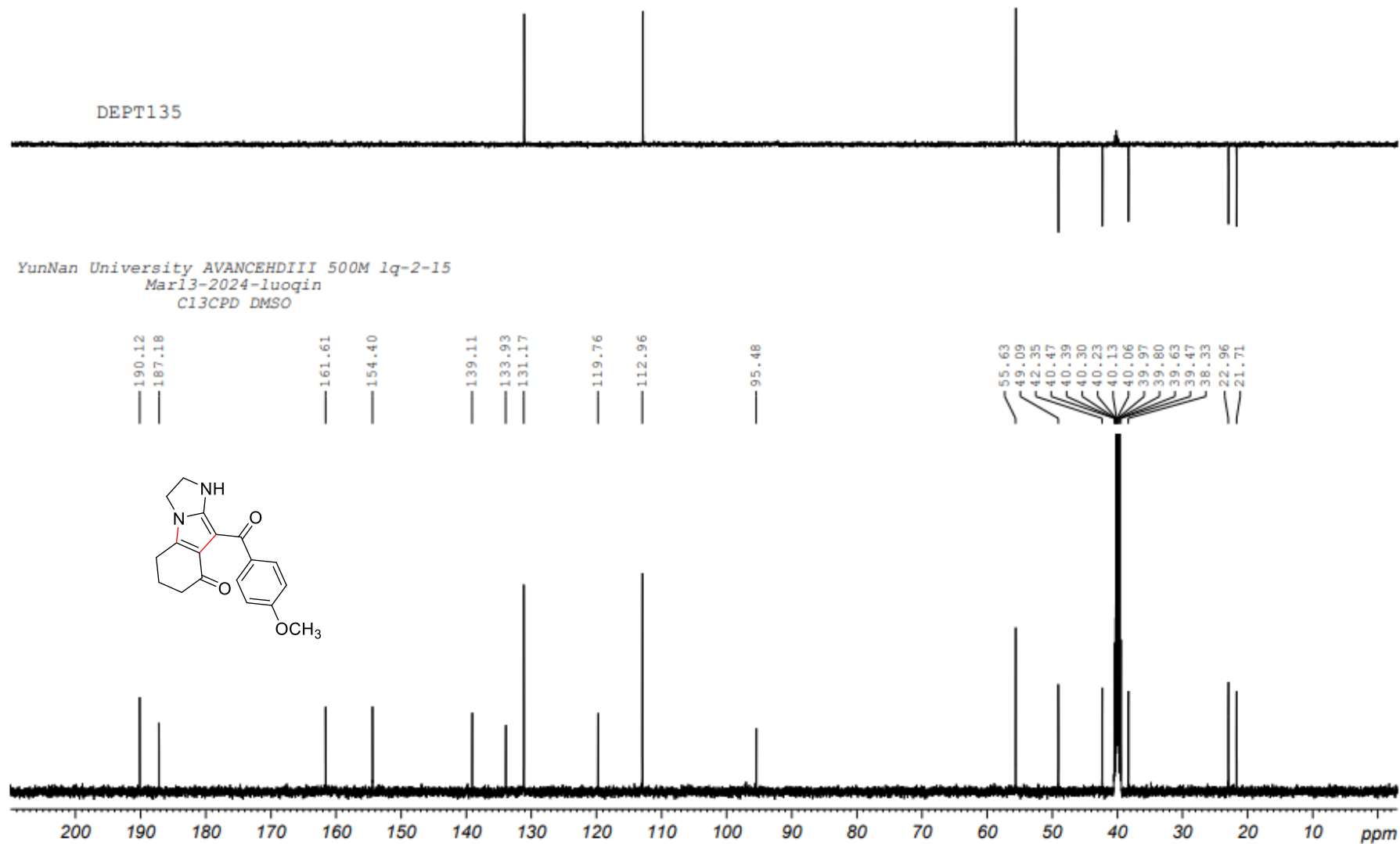


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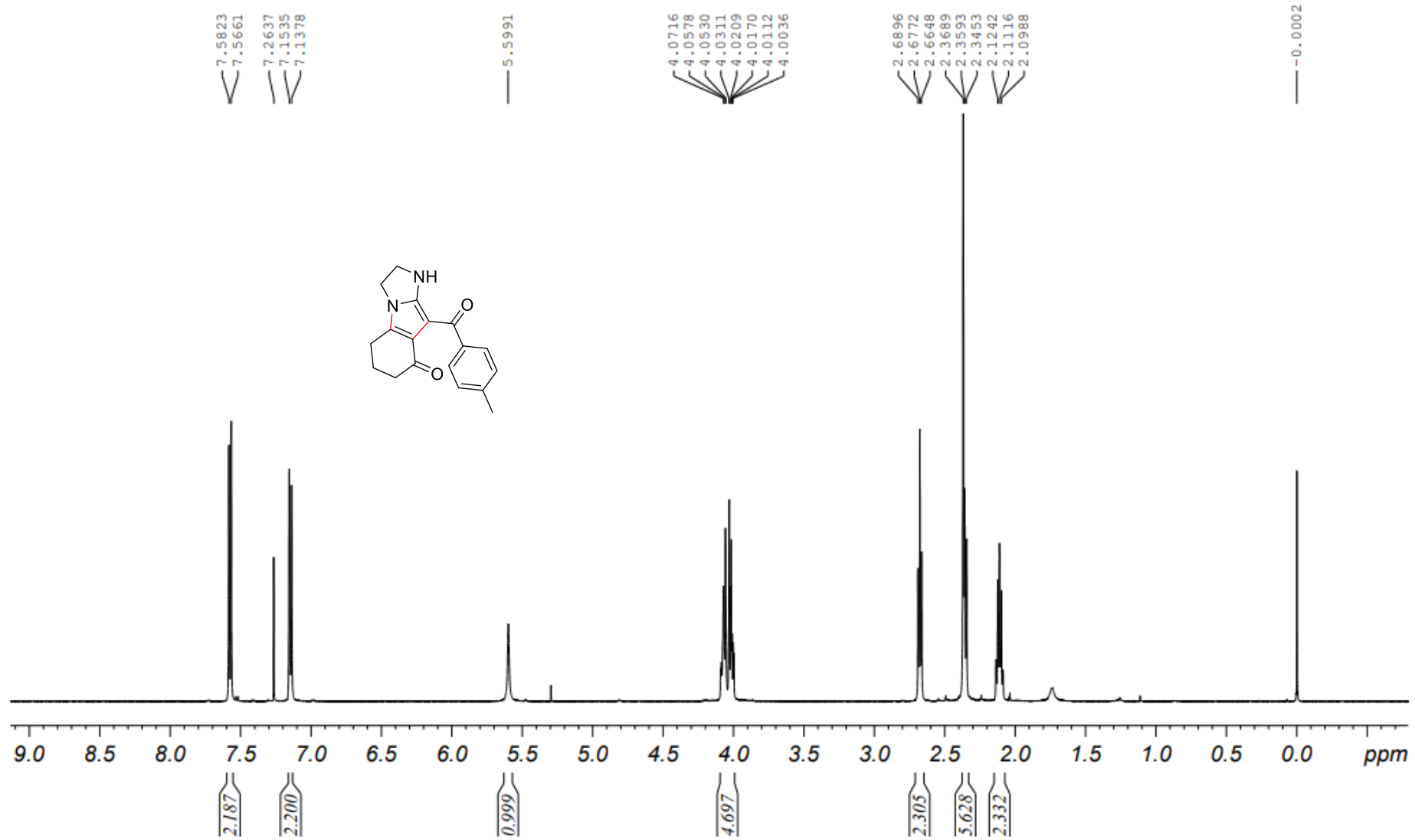


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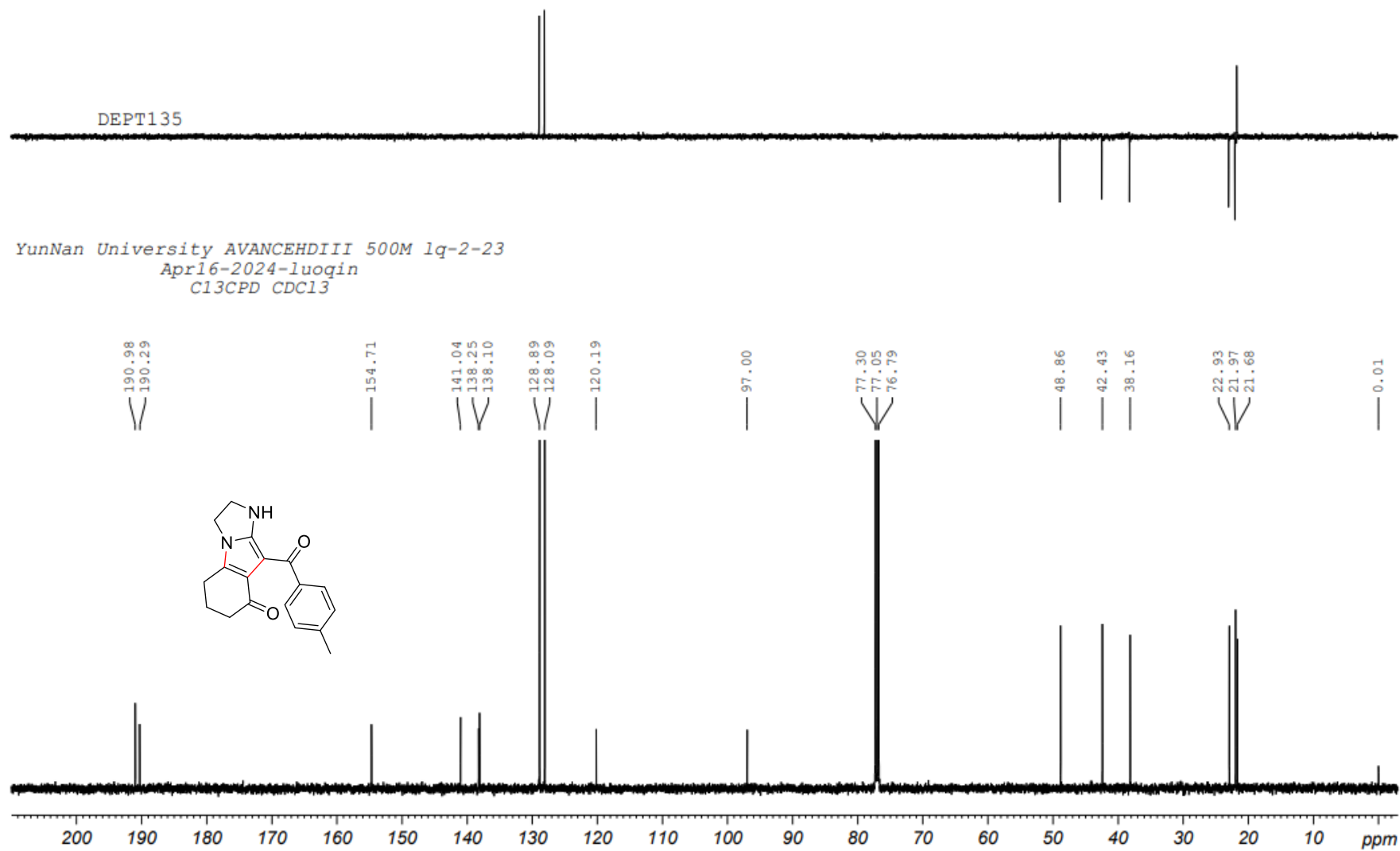


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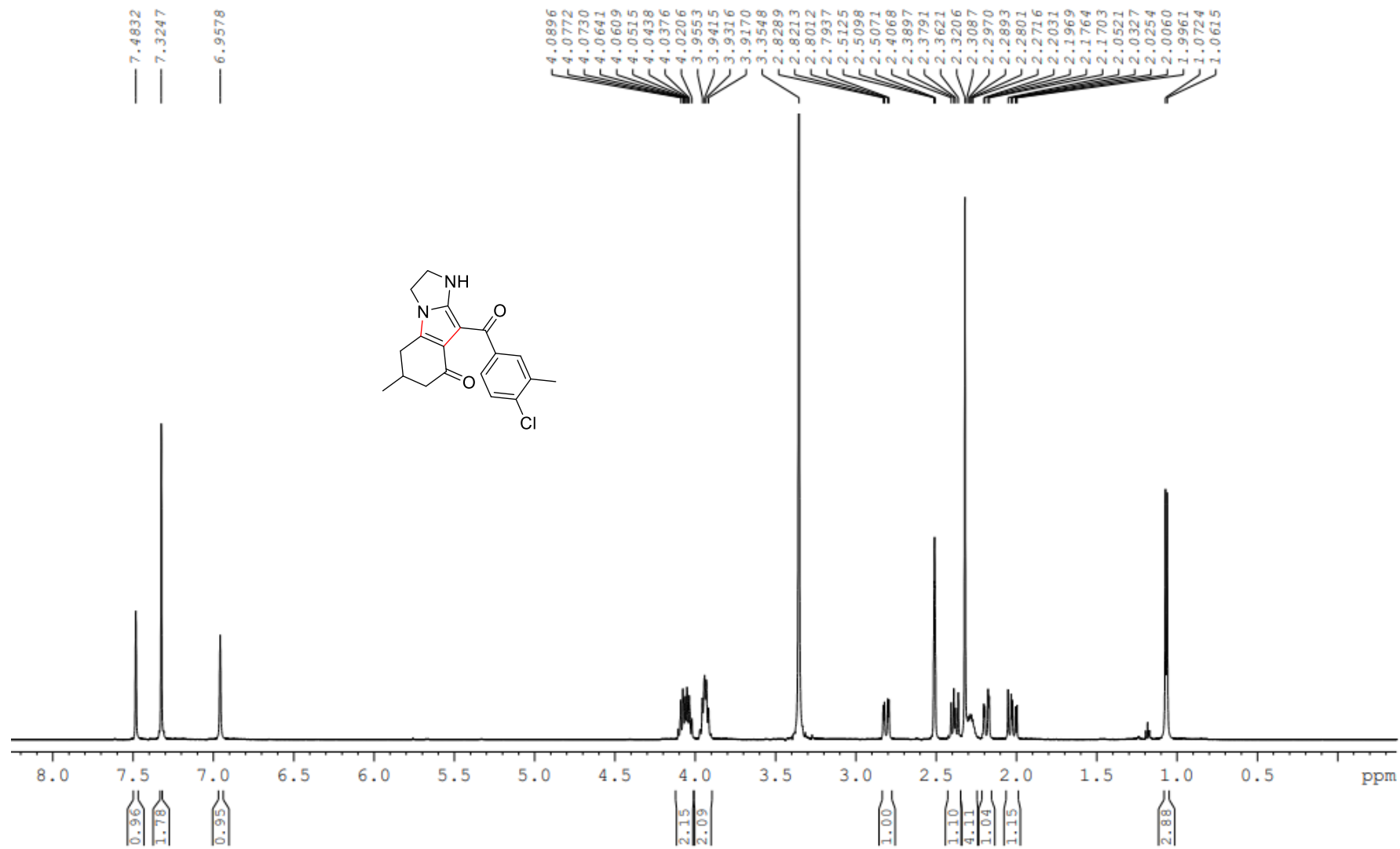


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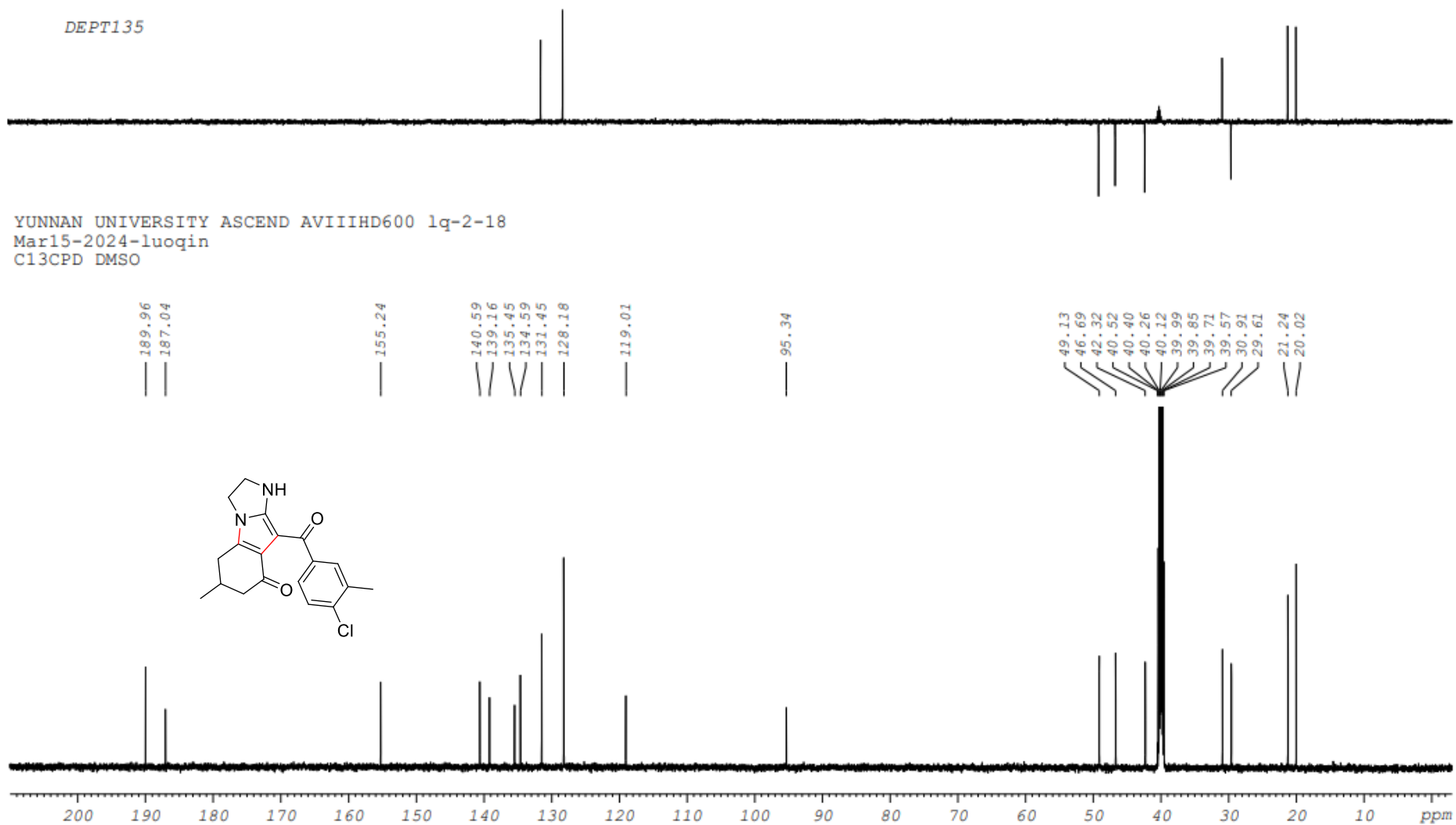


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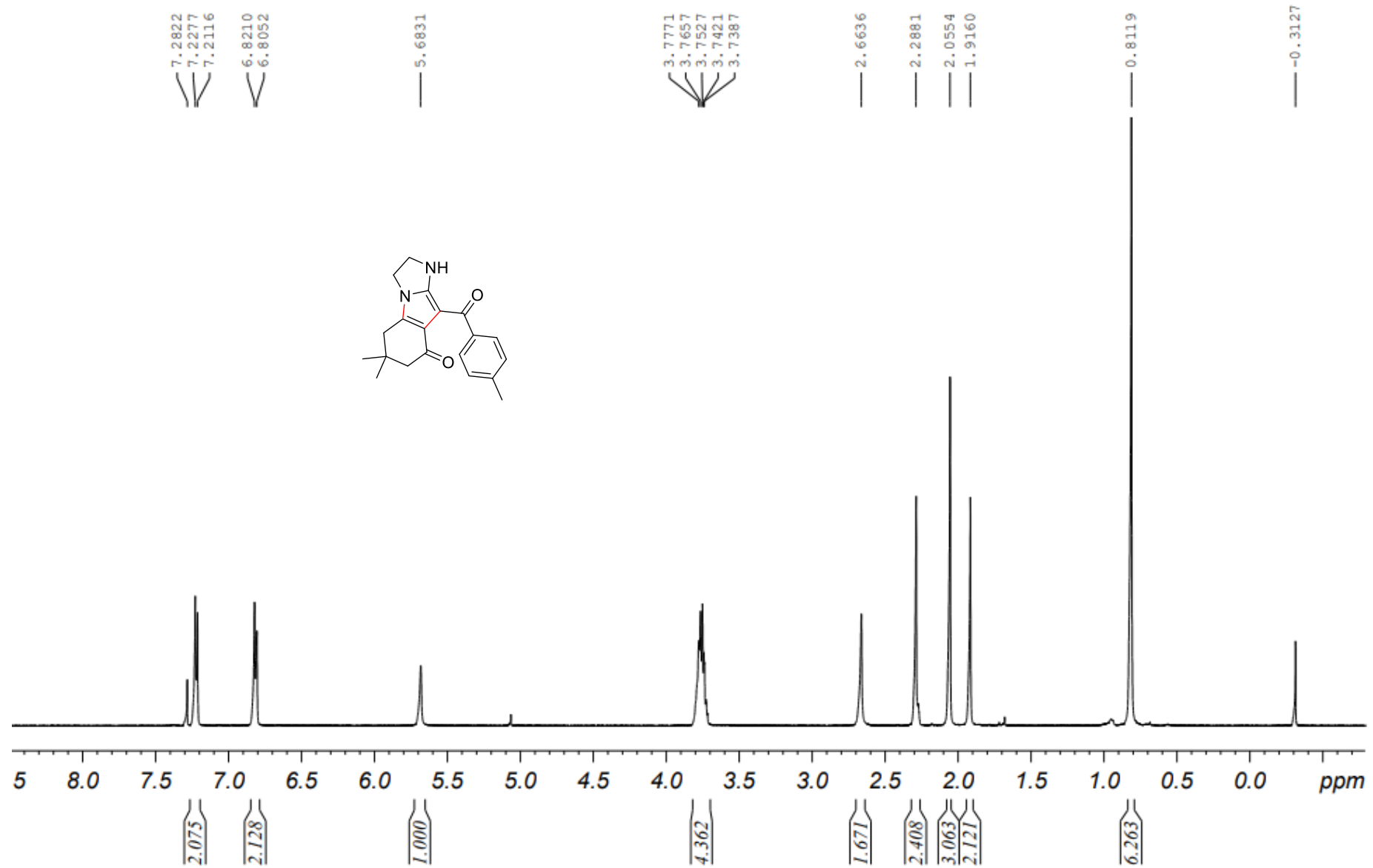


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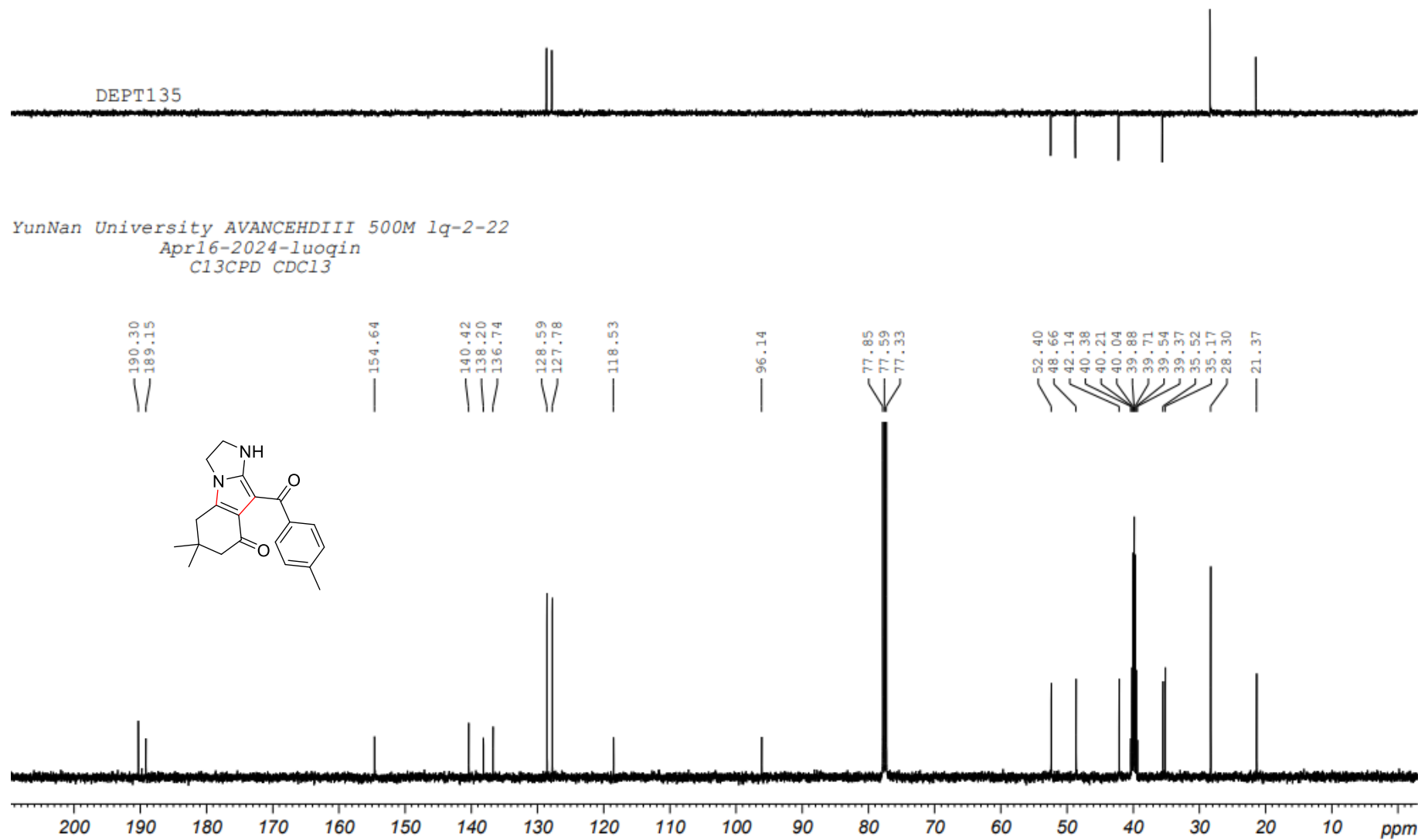


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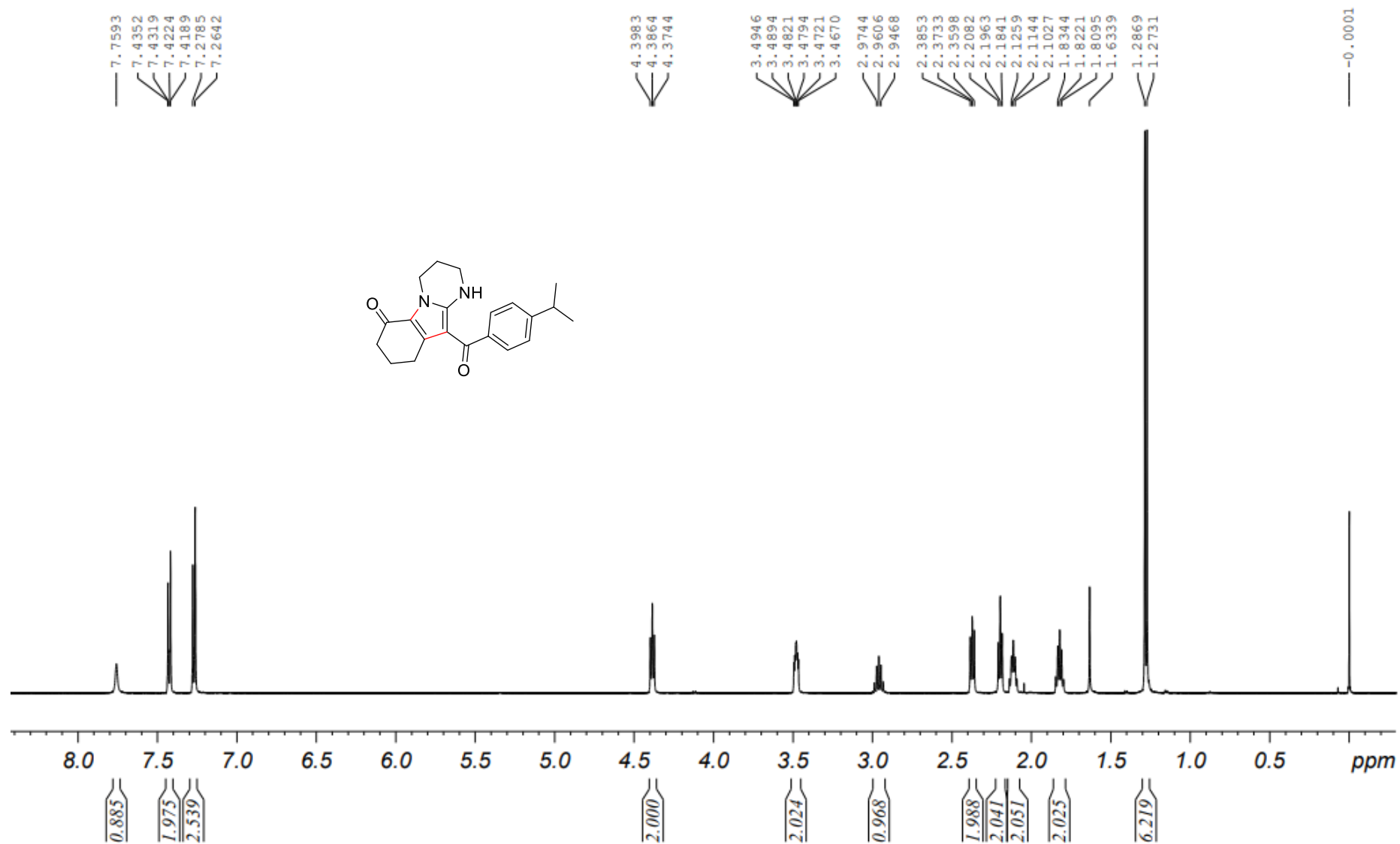


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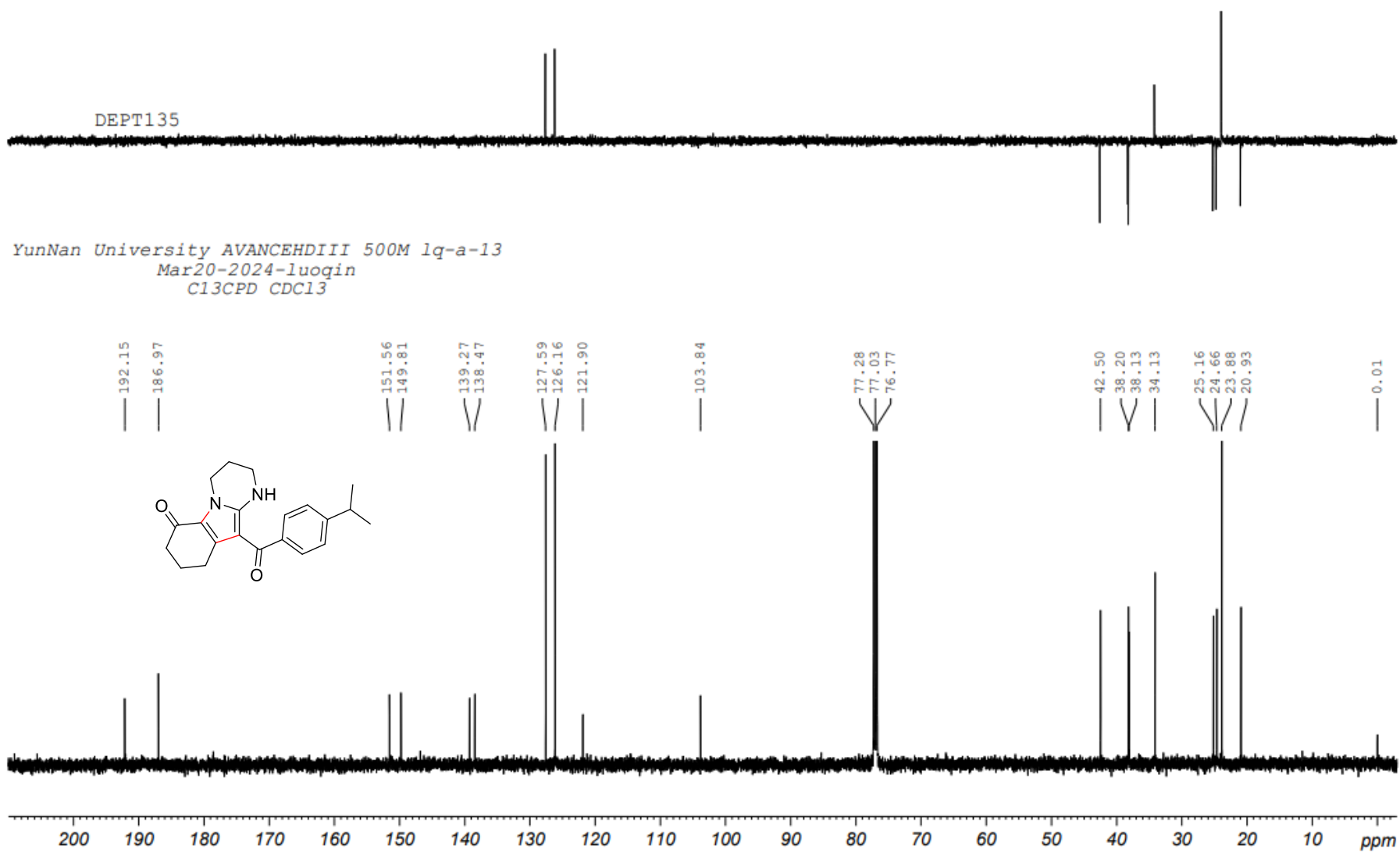


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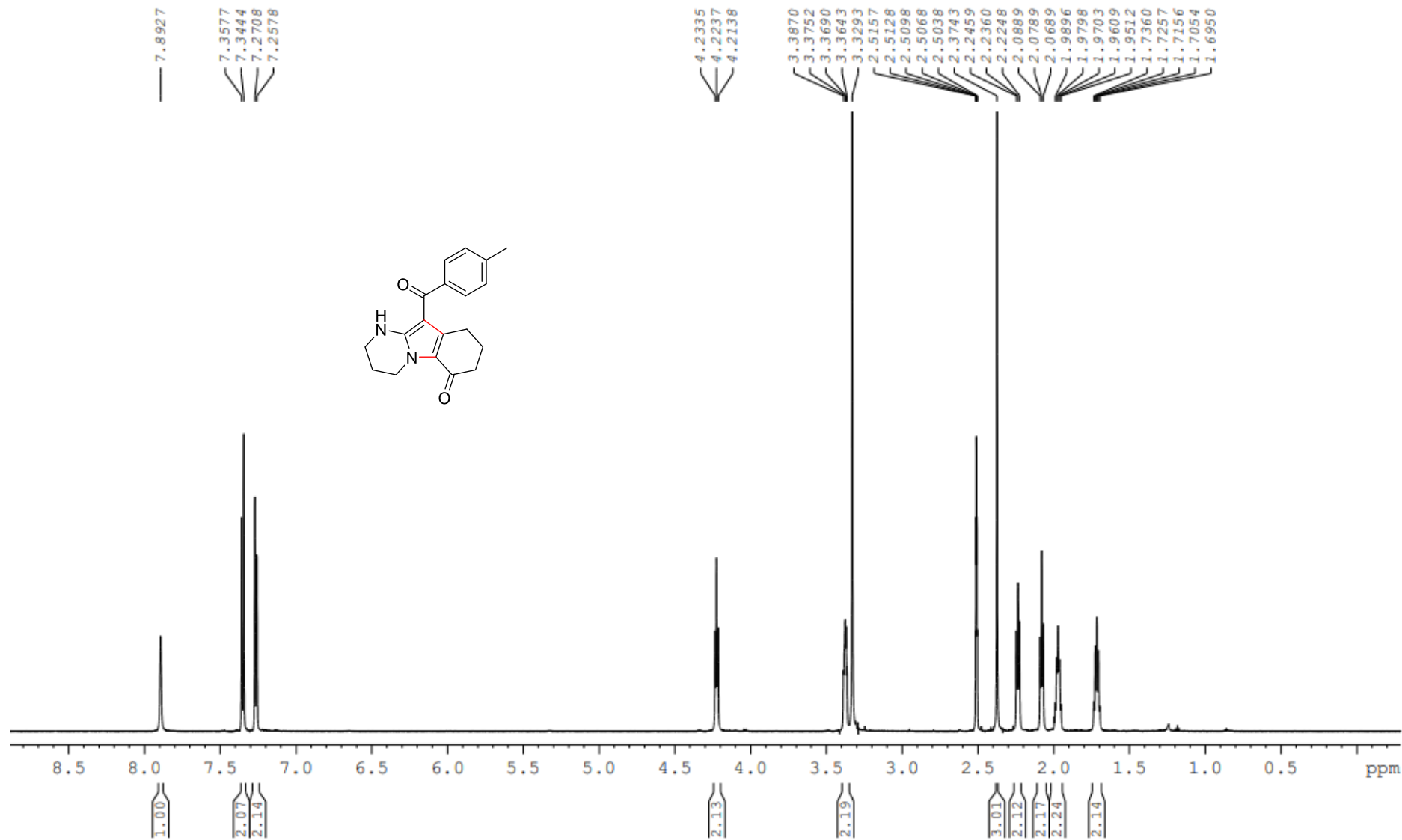


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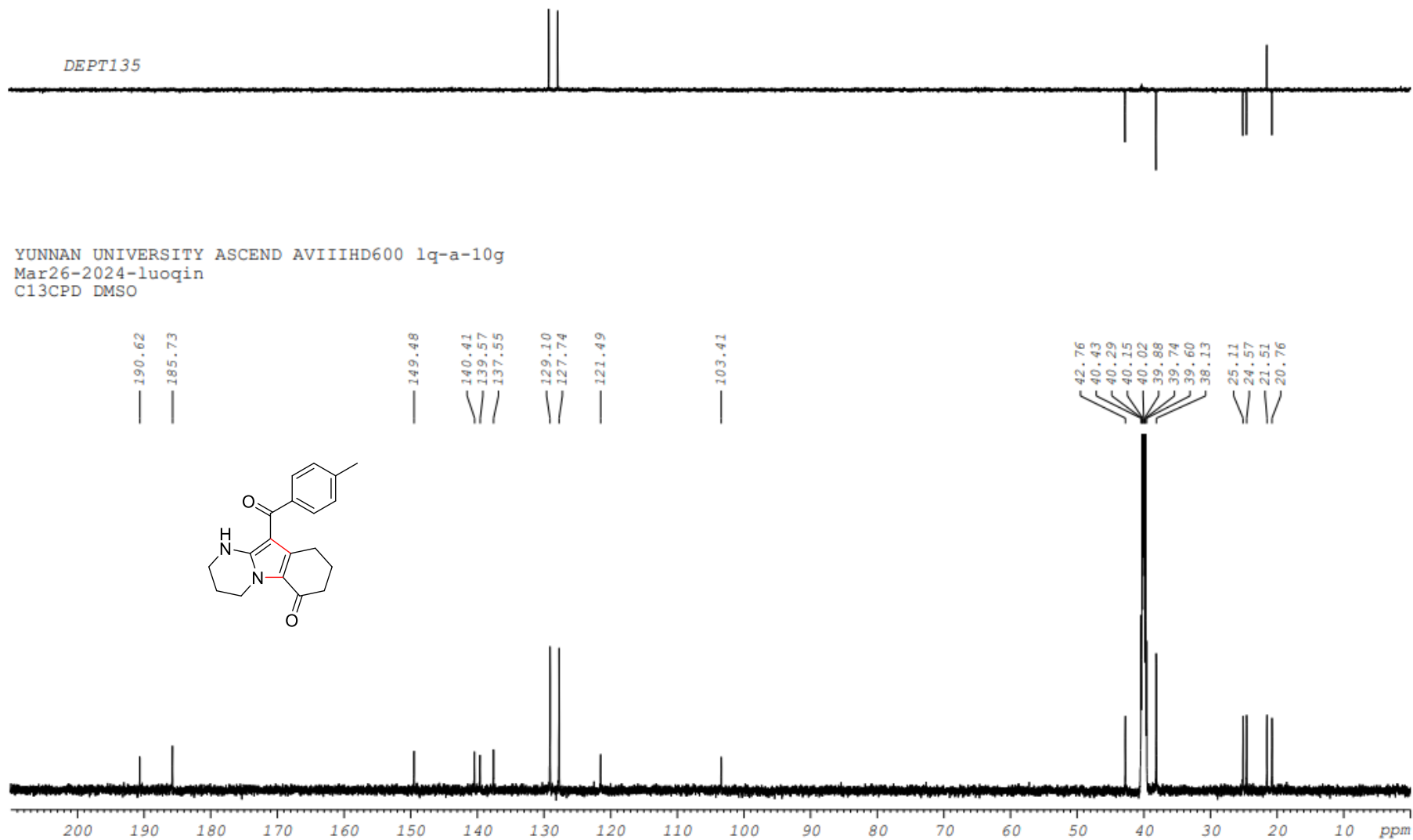


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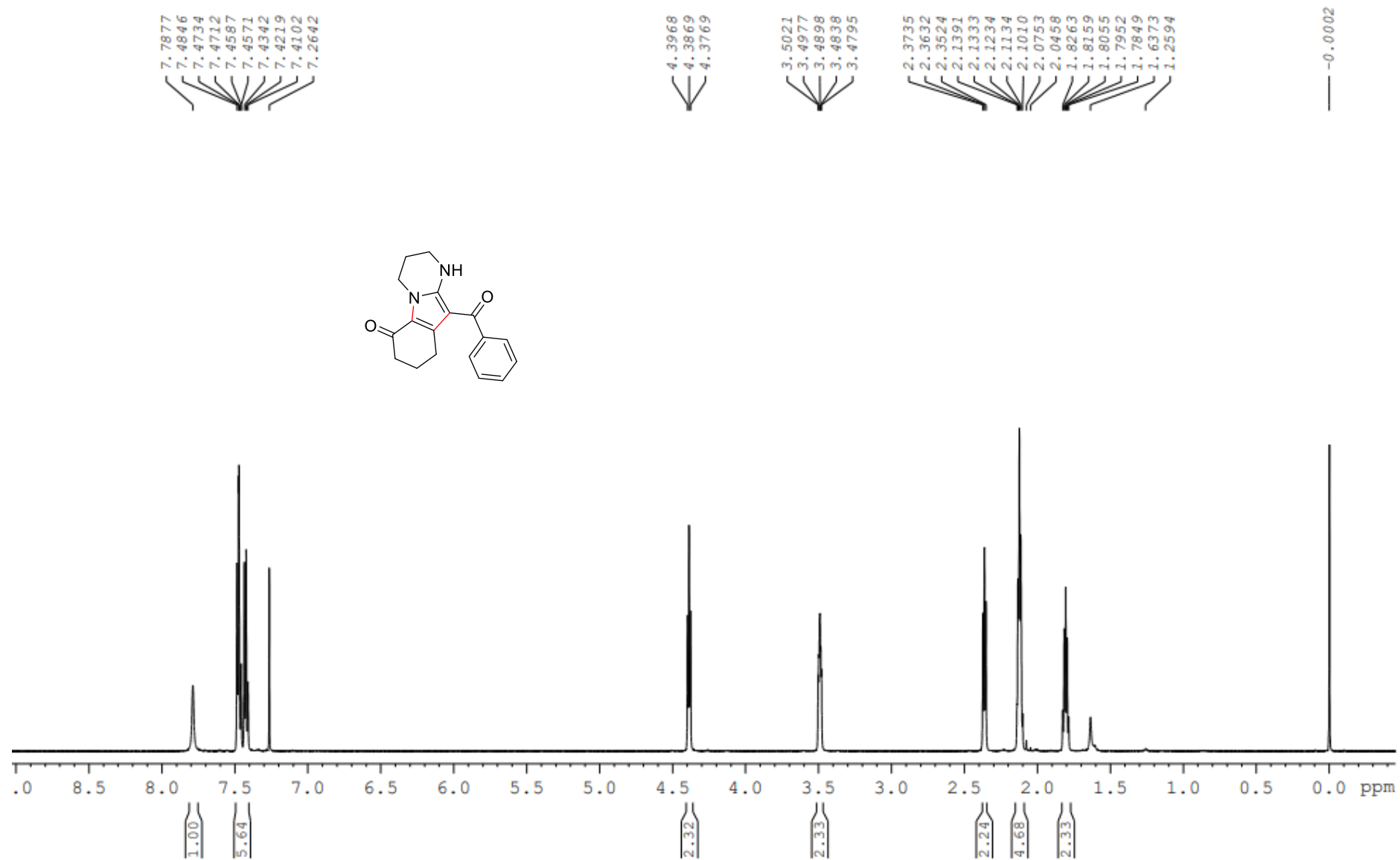


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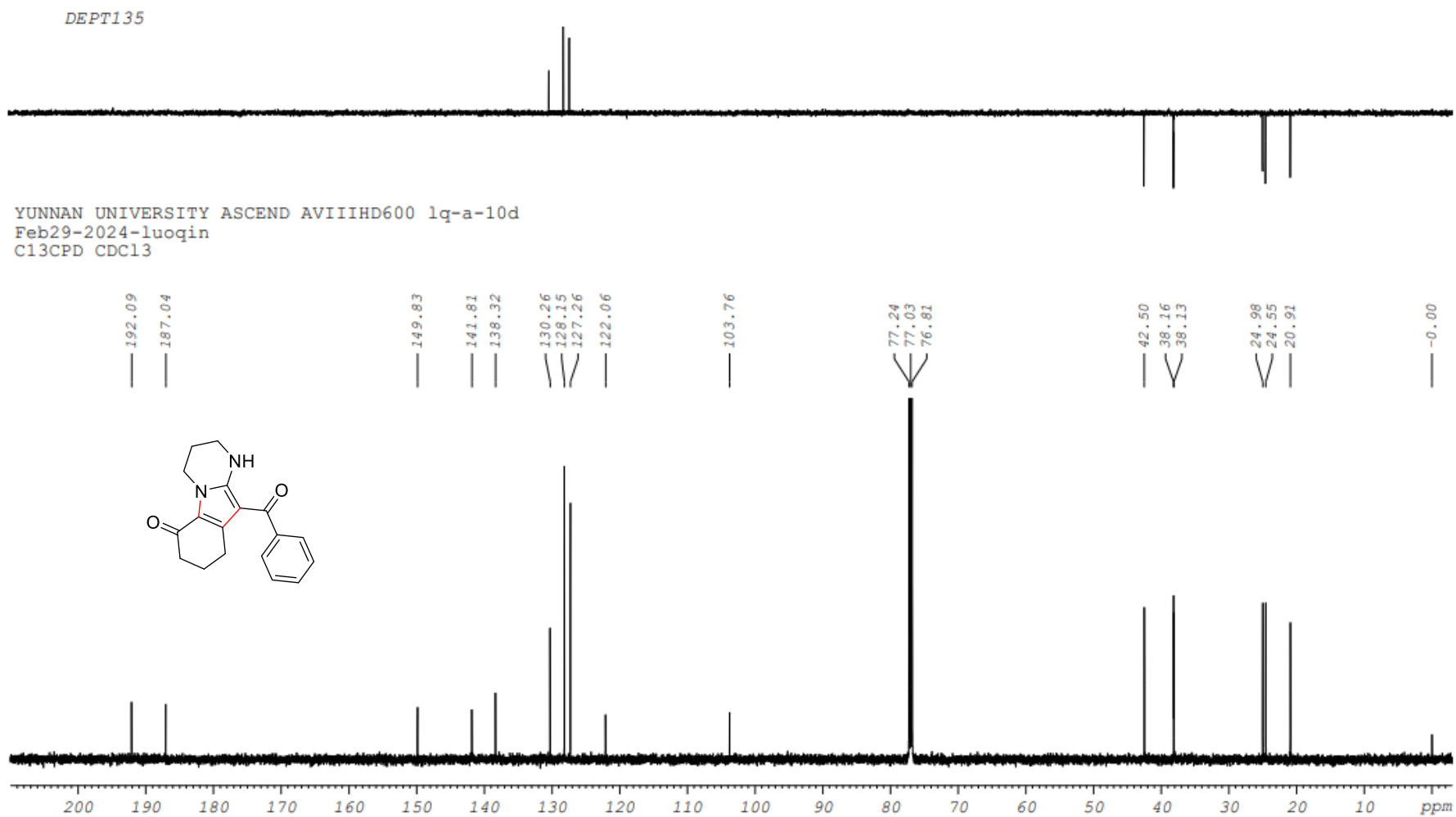


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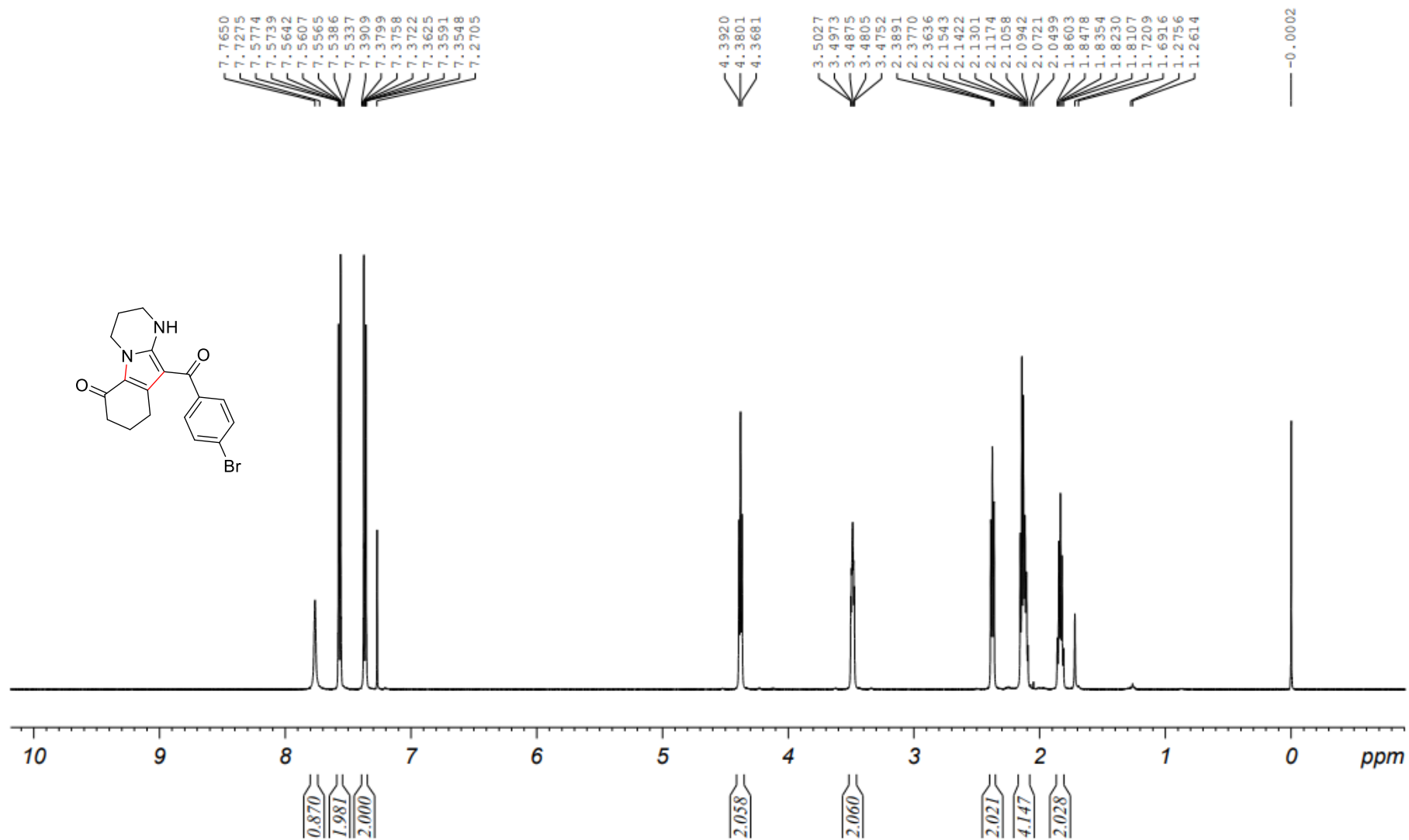


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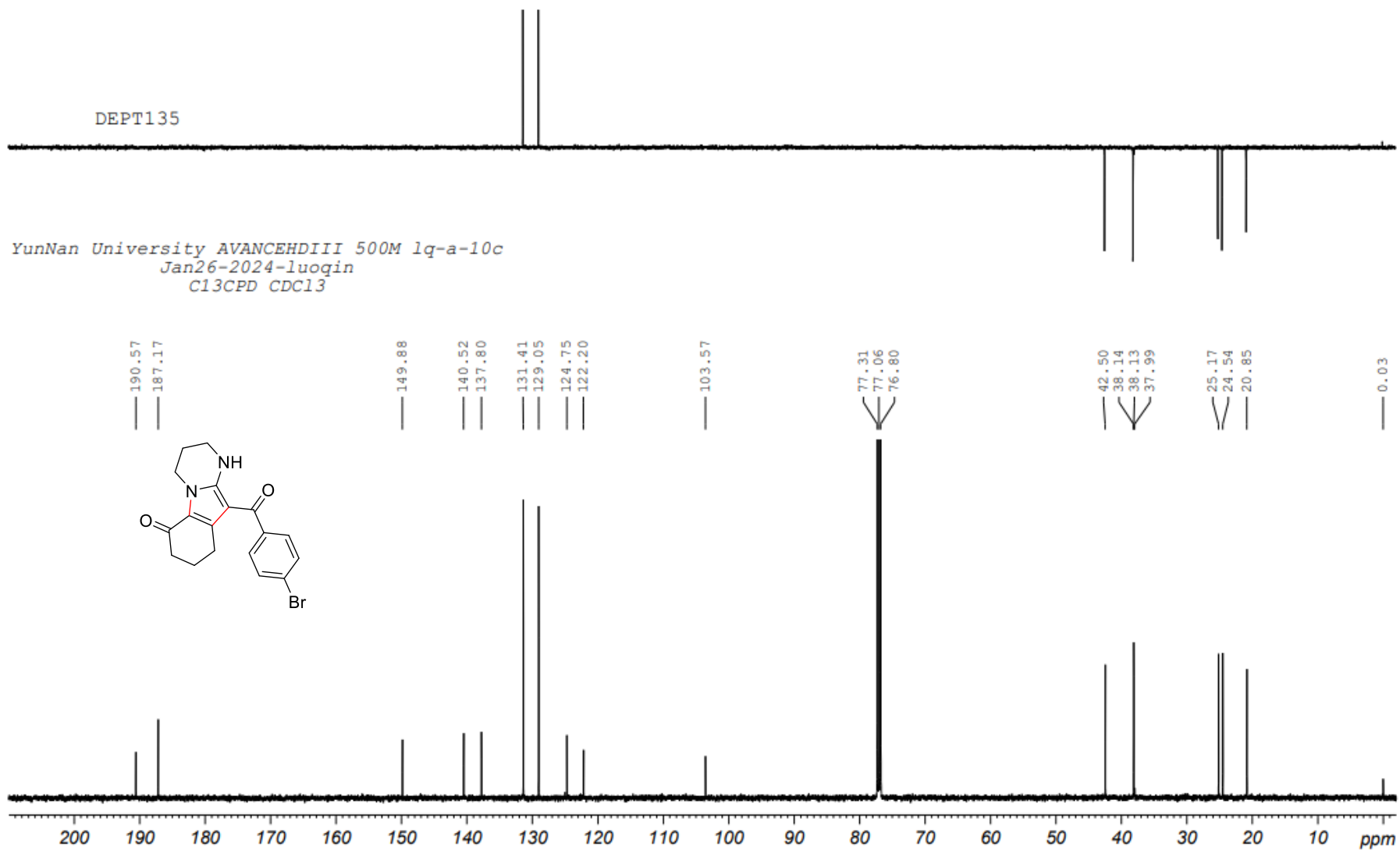


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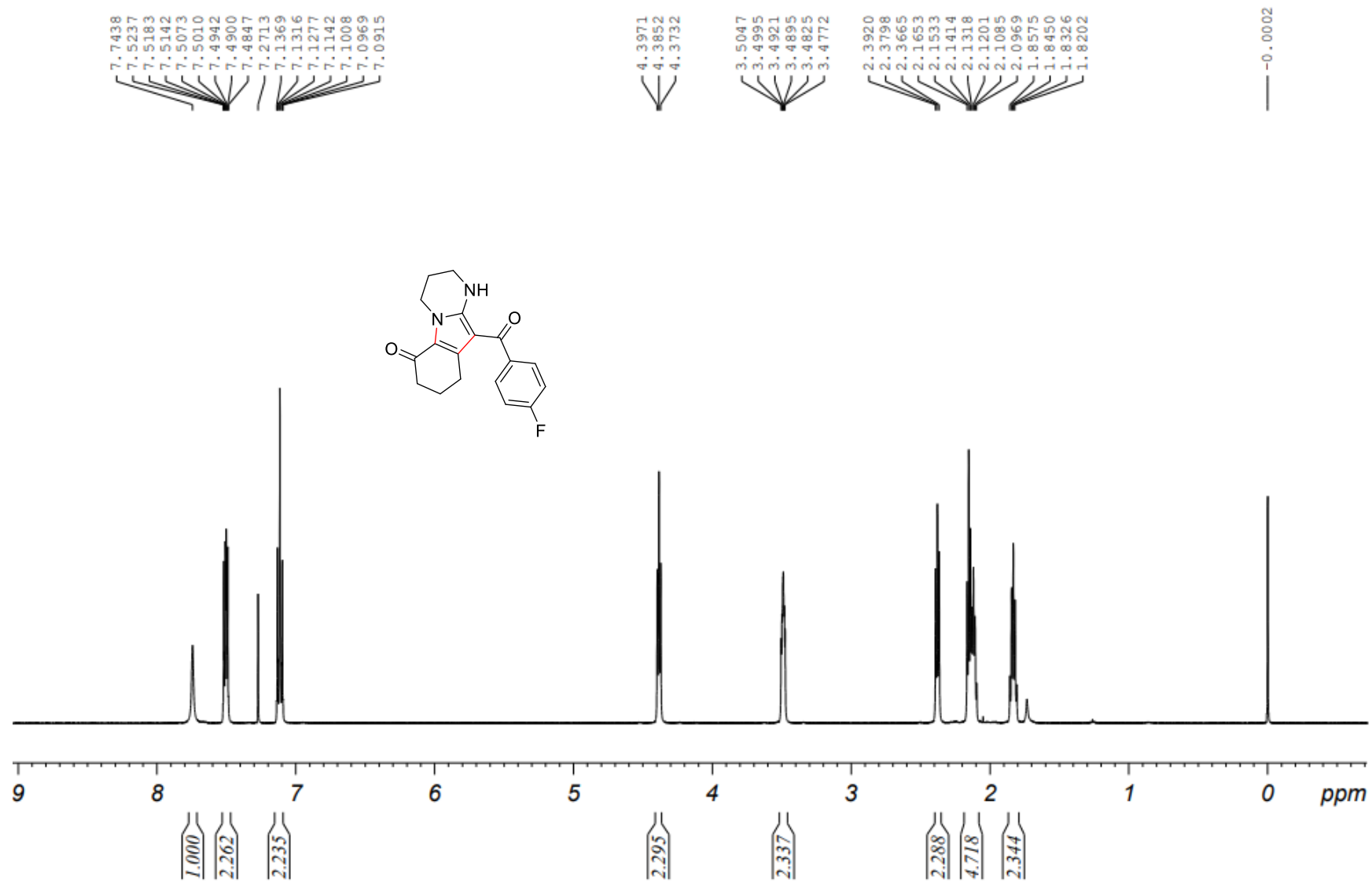


Figure S51. ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3-d_6) spectra of compound **4e**

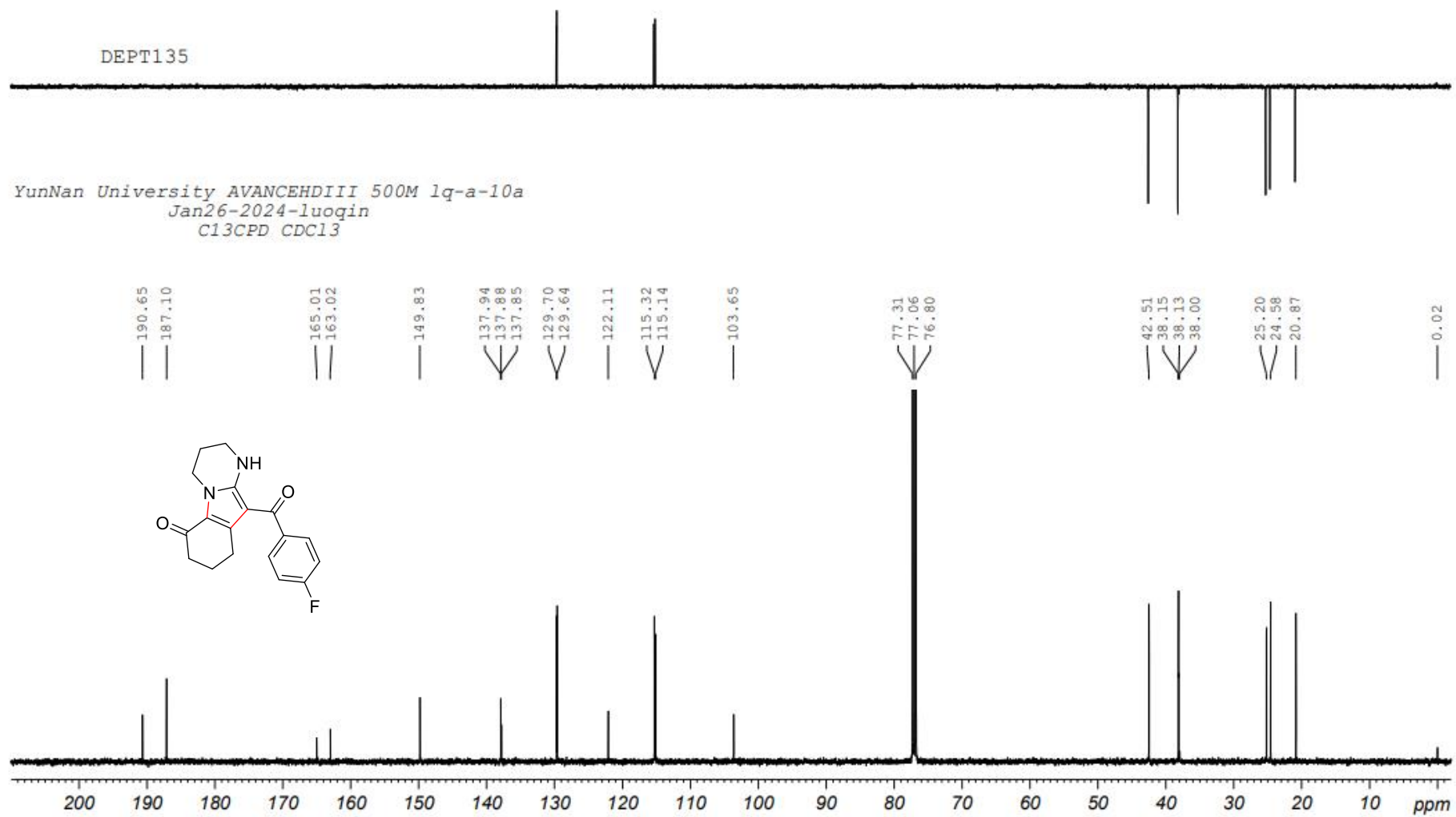


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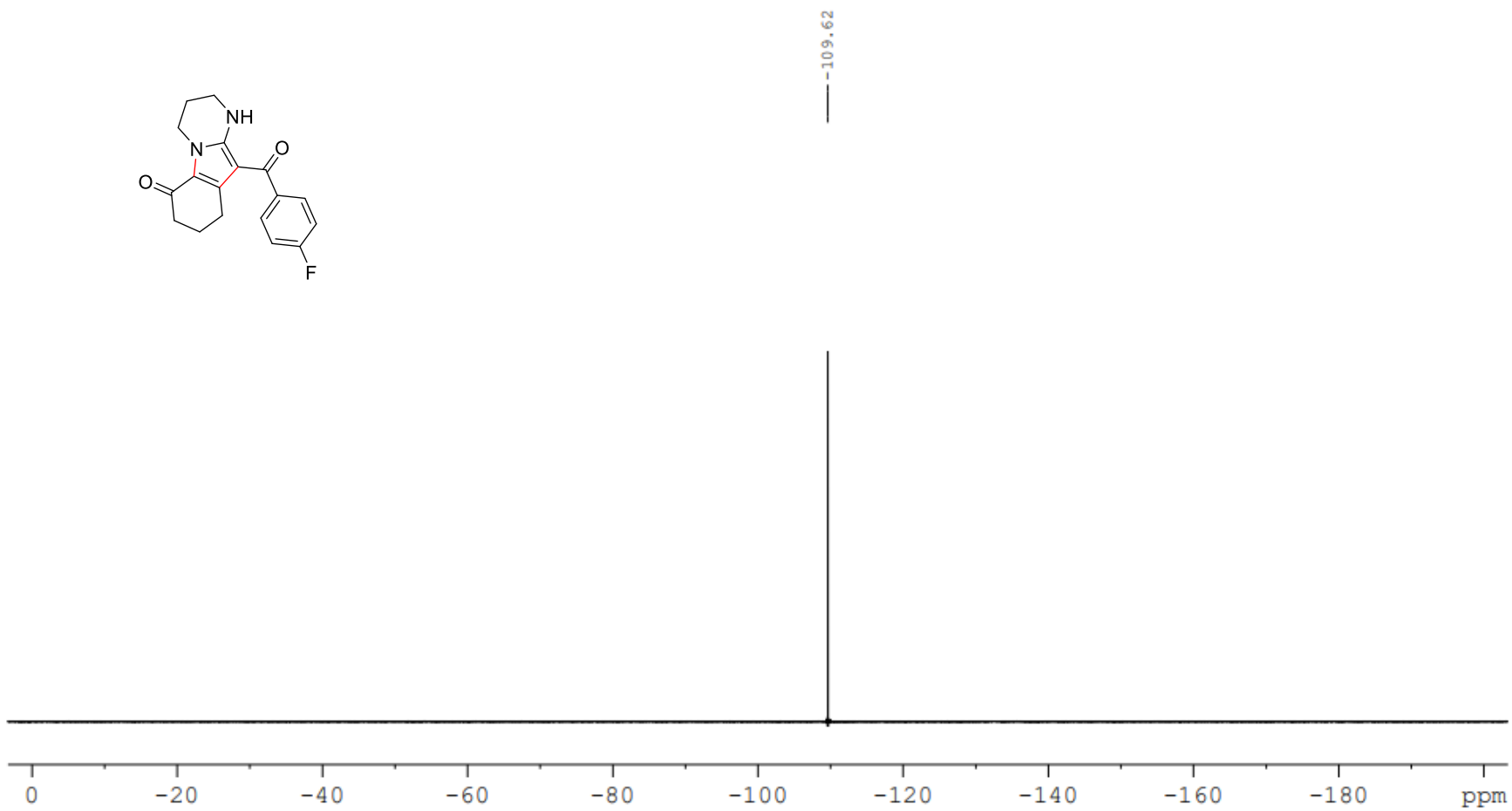


Figure S53. ^{19}F NMR (475 MHz, $\text{CDCl}_3\text{-}d_6$) spectra of compound **4e**

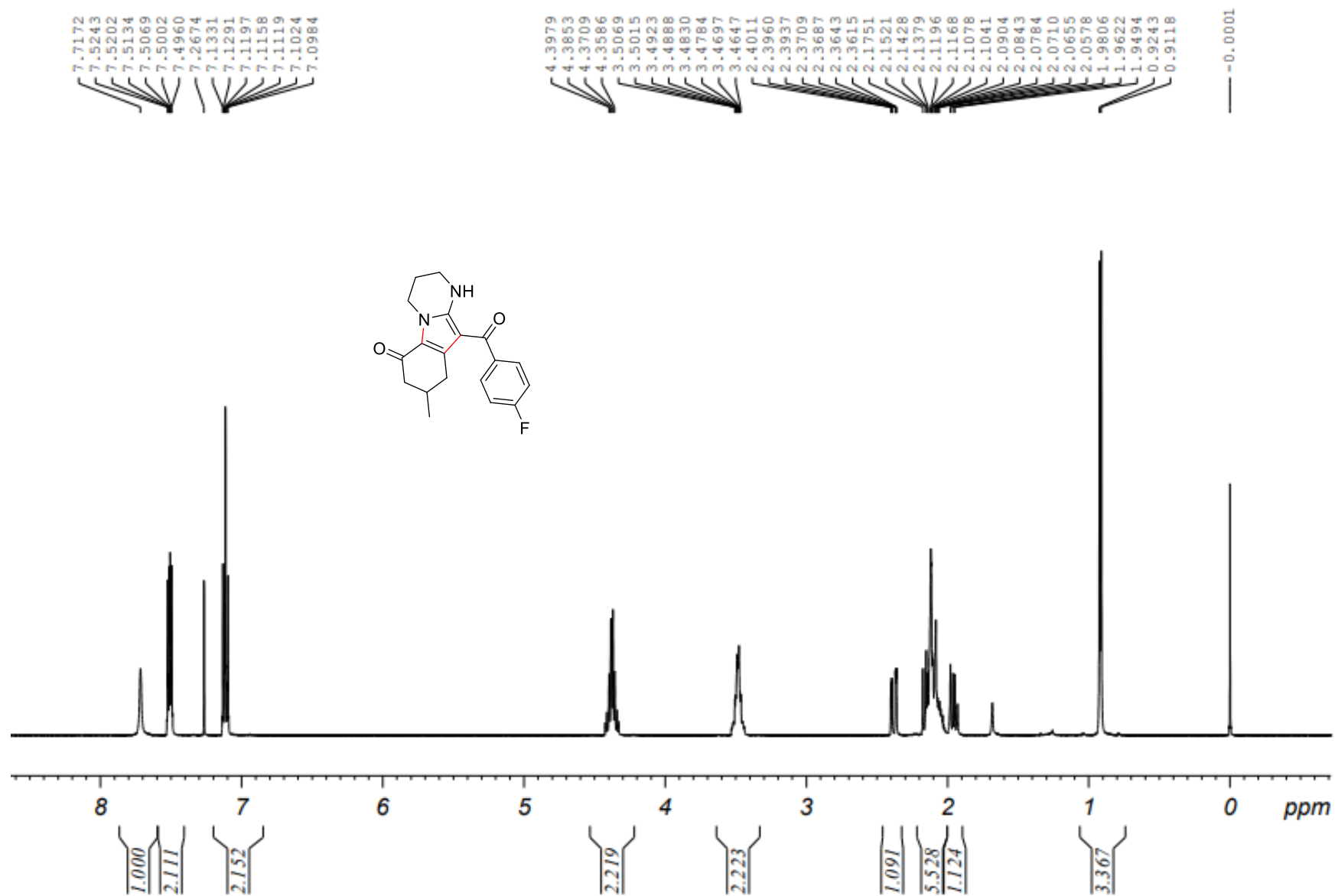


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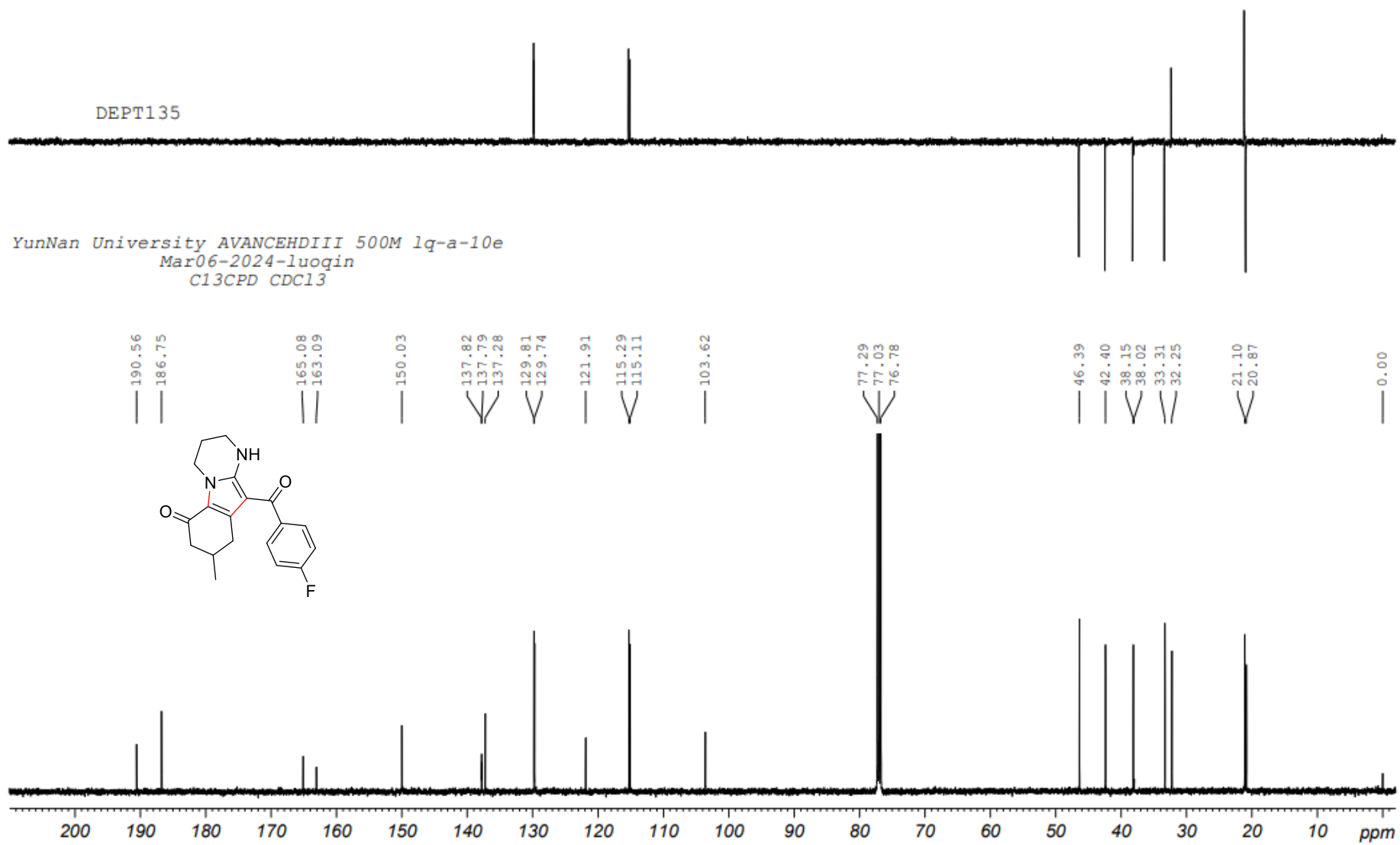


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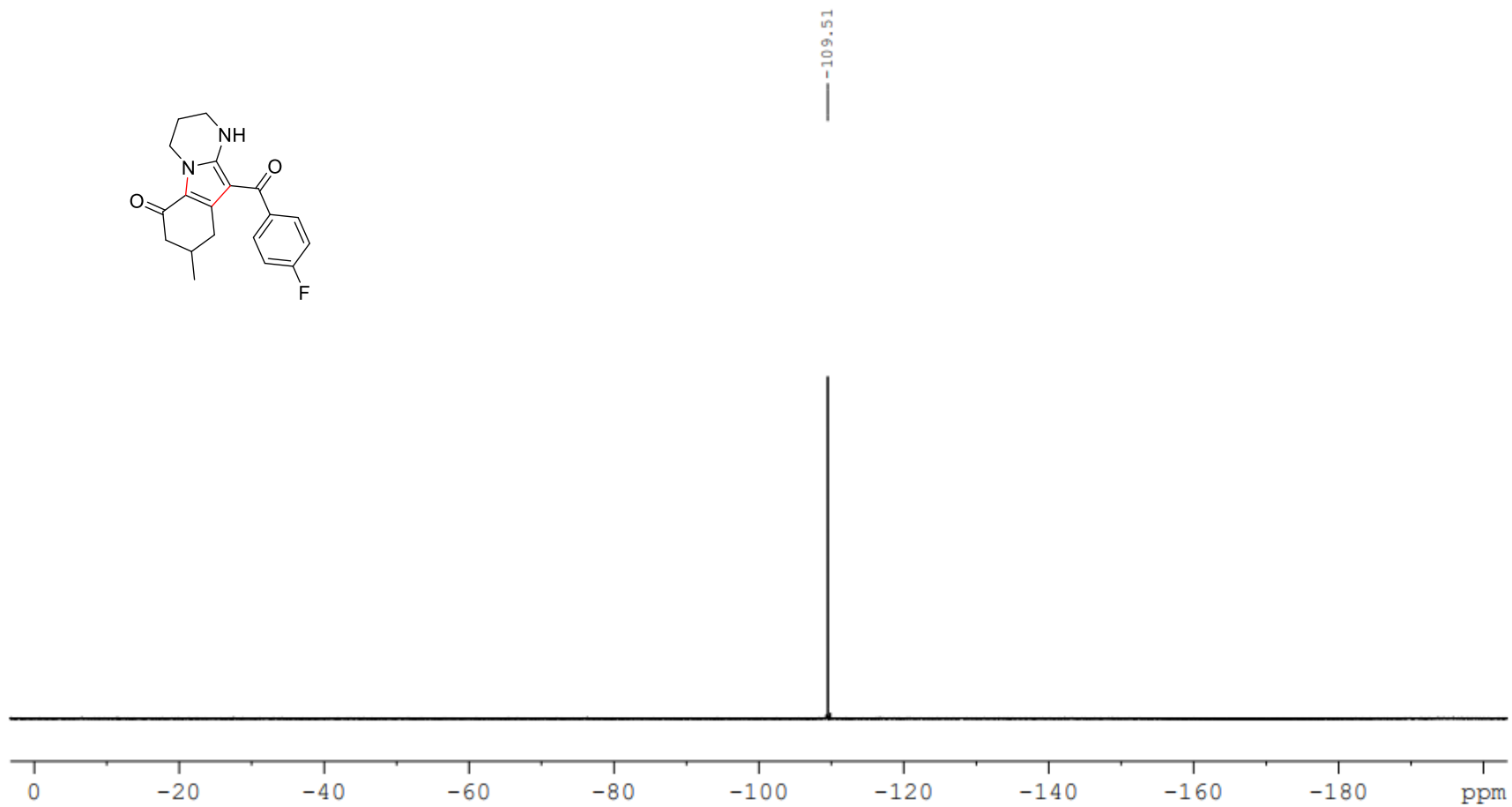


Figure S56. ^{19}F NMR (475 MHz, CDCl_3-d_6) spectra of compound **4f**

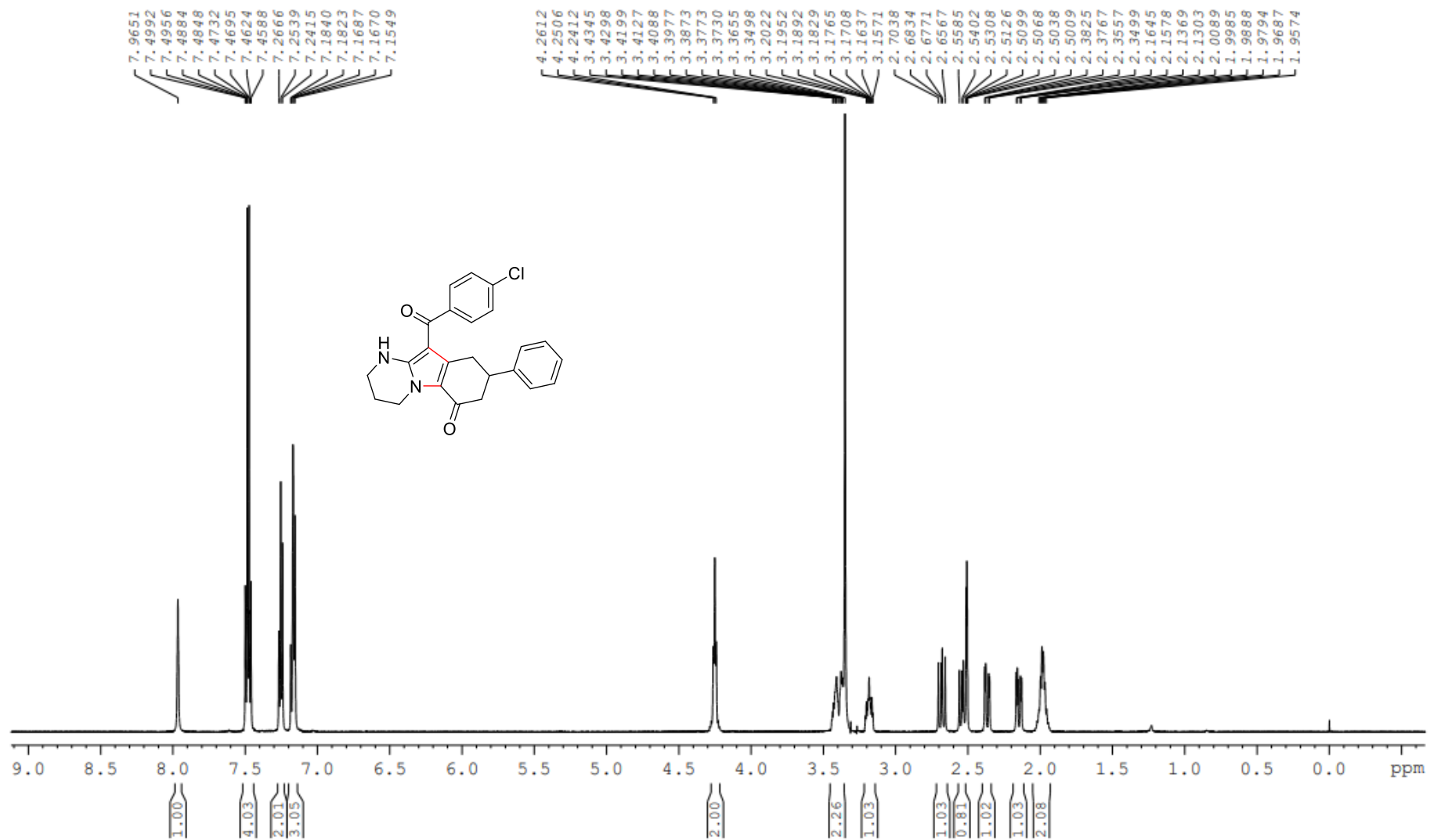
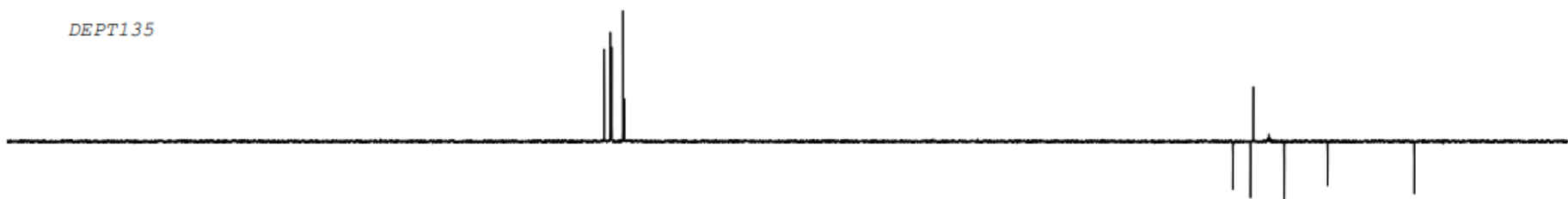


Figure S57. ^1H NMR (600 MHz, $\text{DMSO-}d_6$) spectra of compound **4g**

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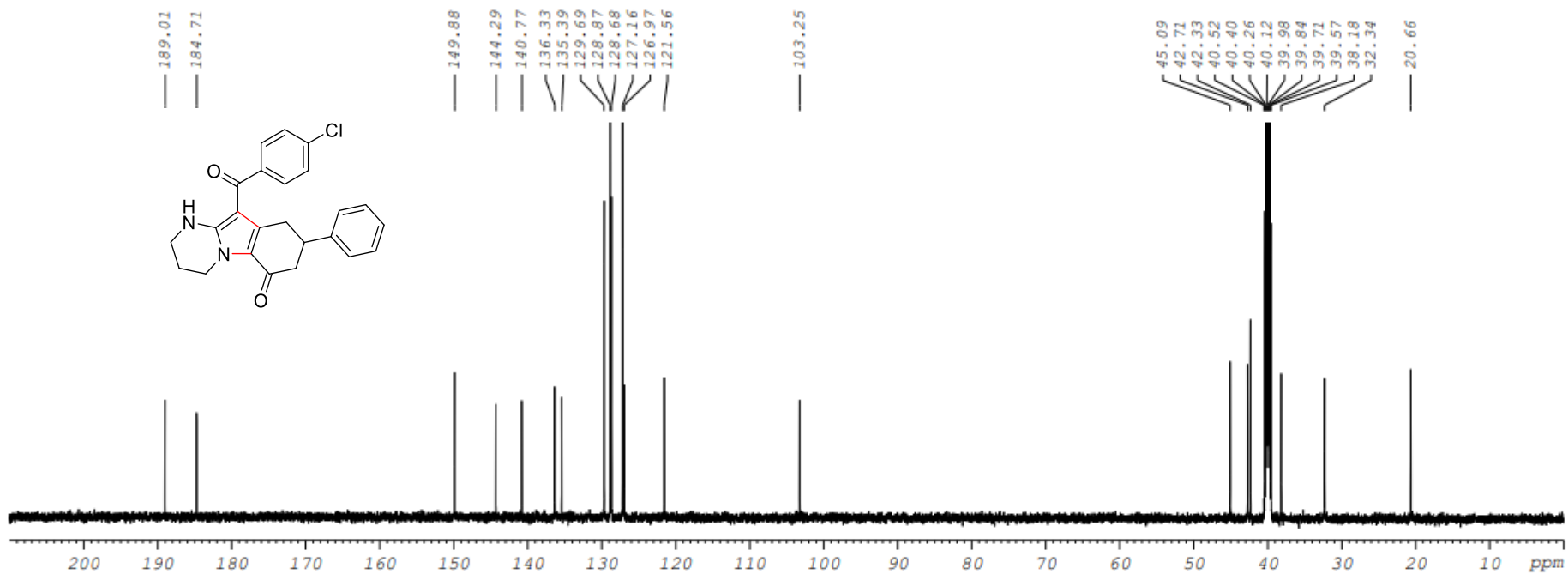


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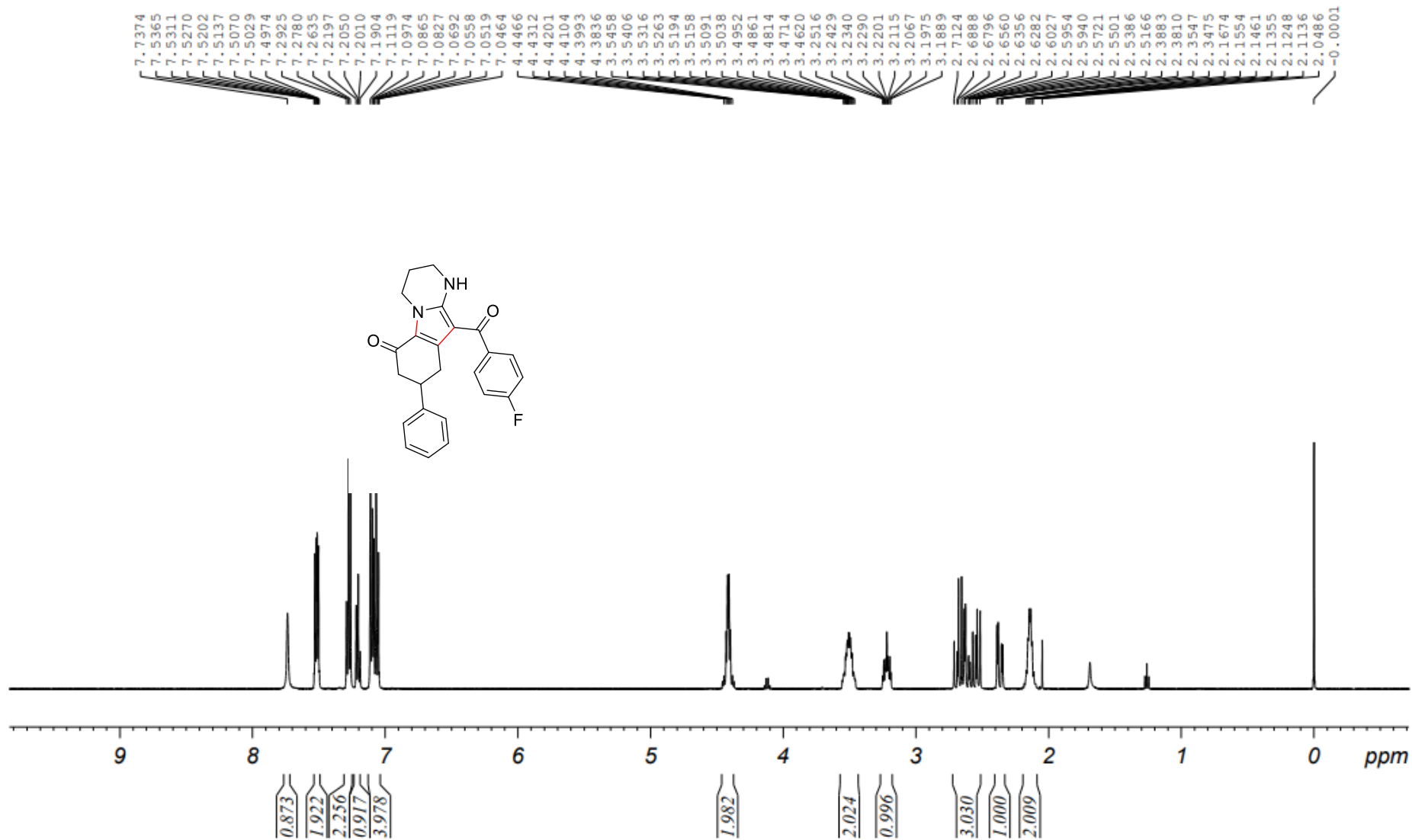


Figure S59. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃-d₆) spectra of compound 4h

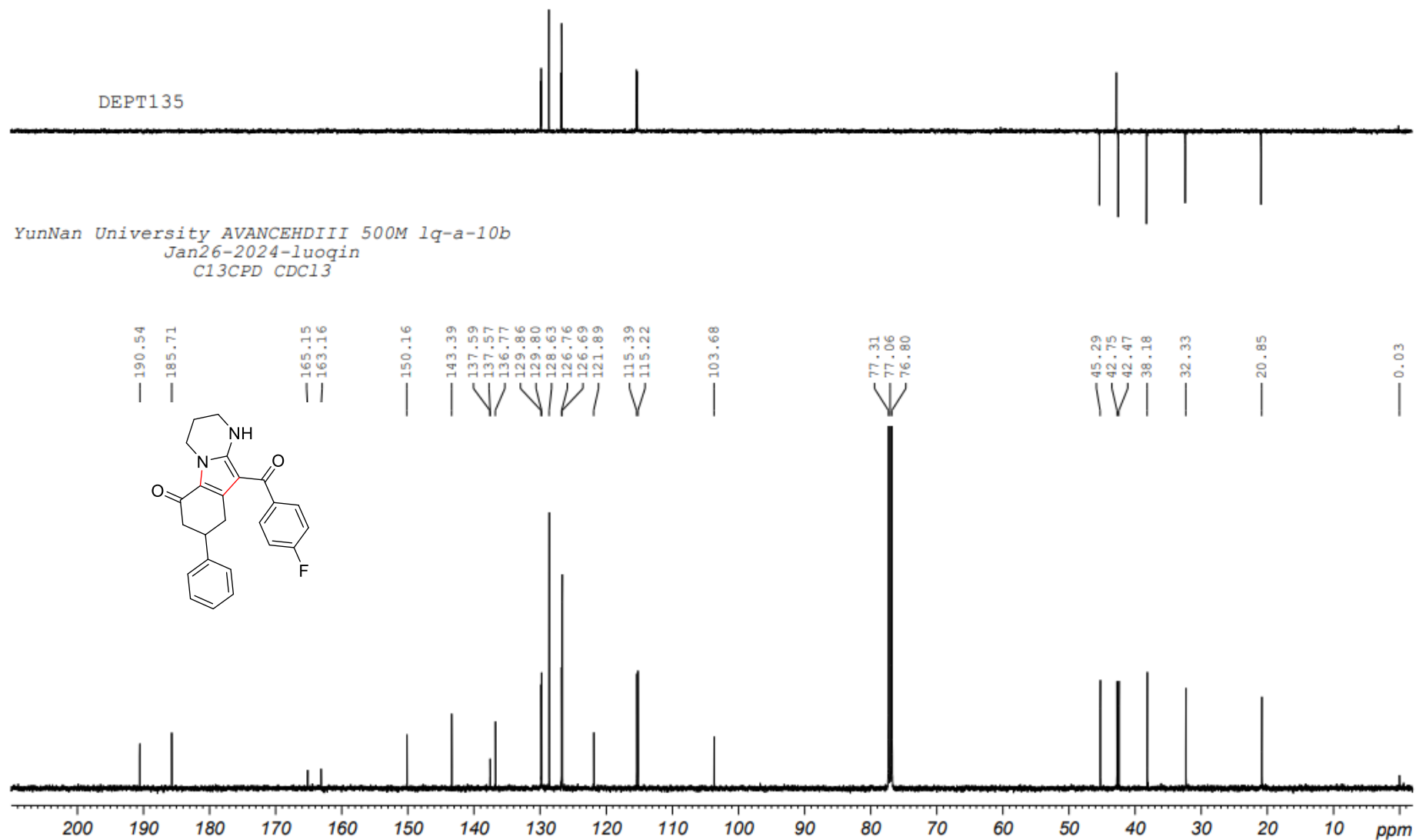


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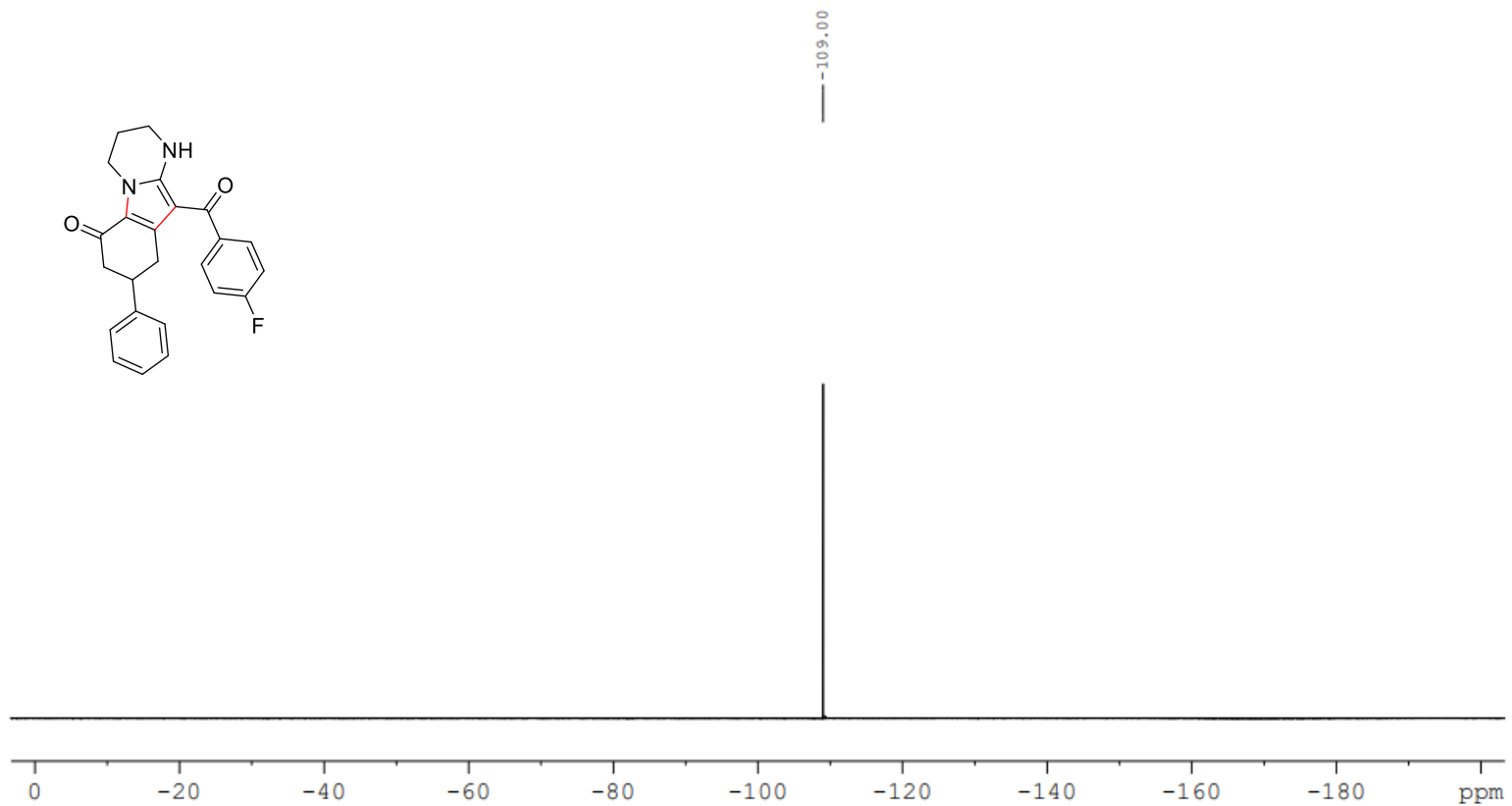


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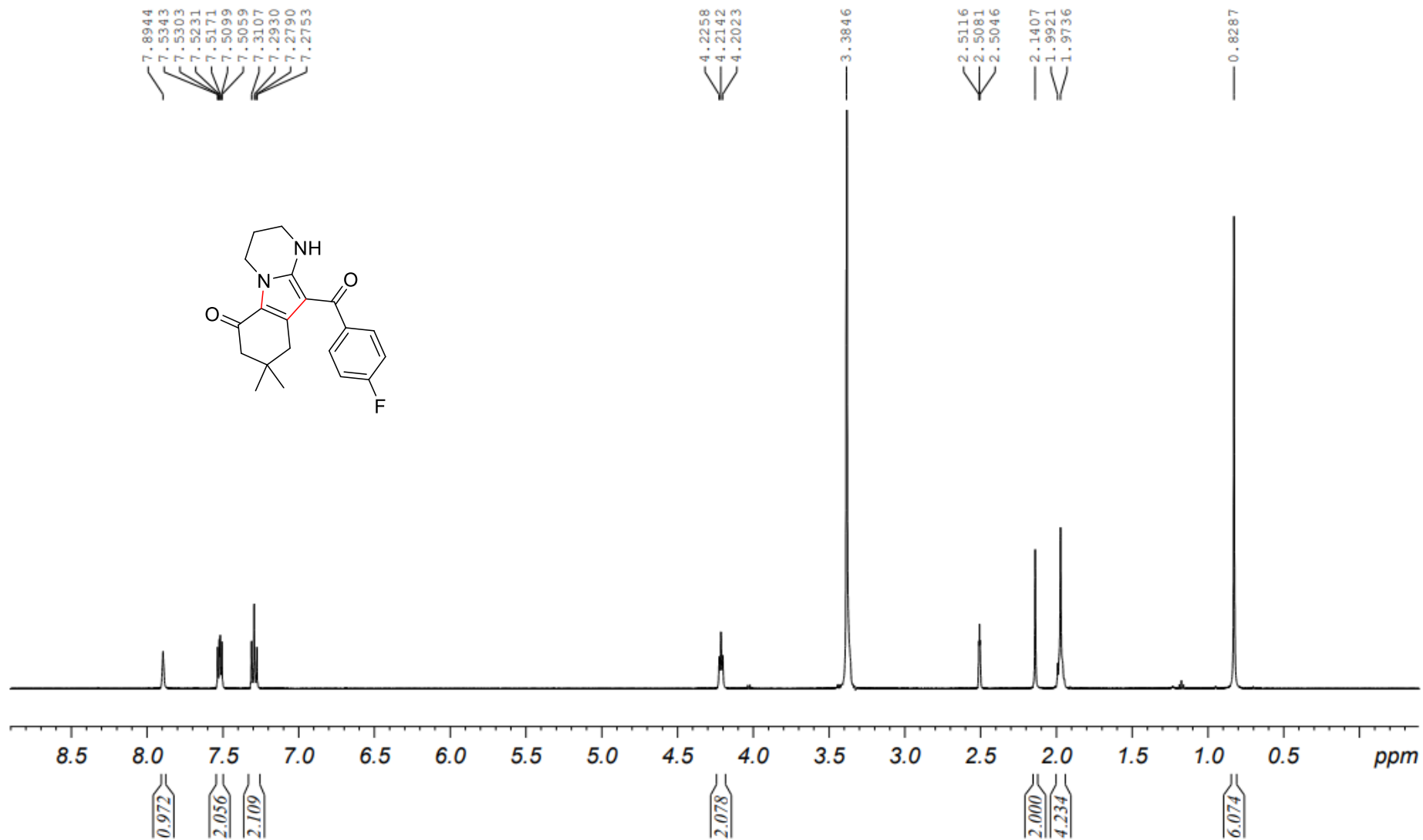


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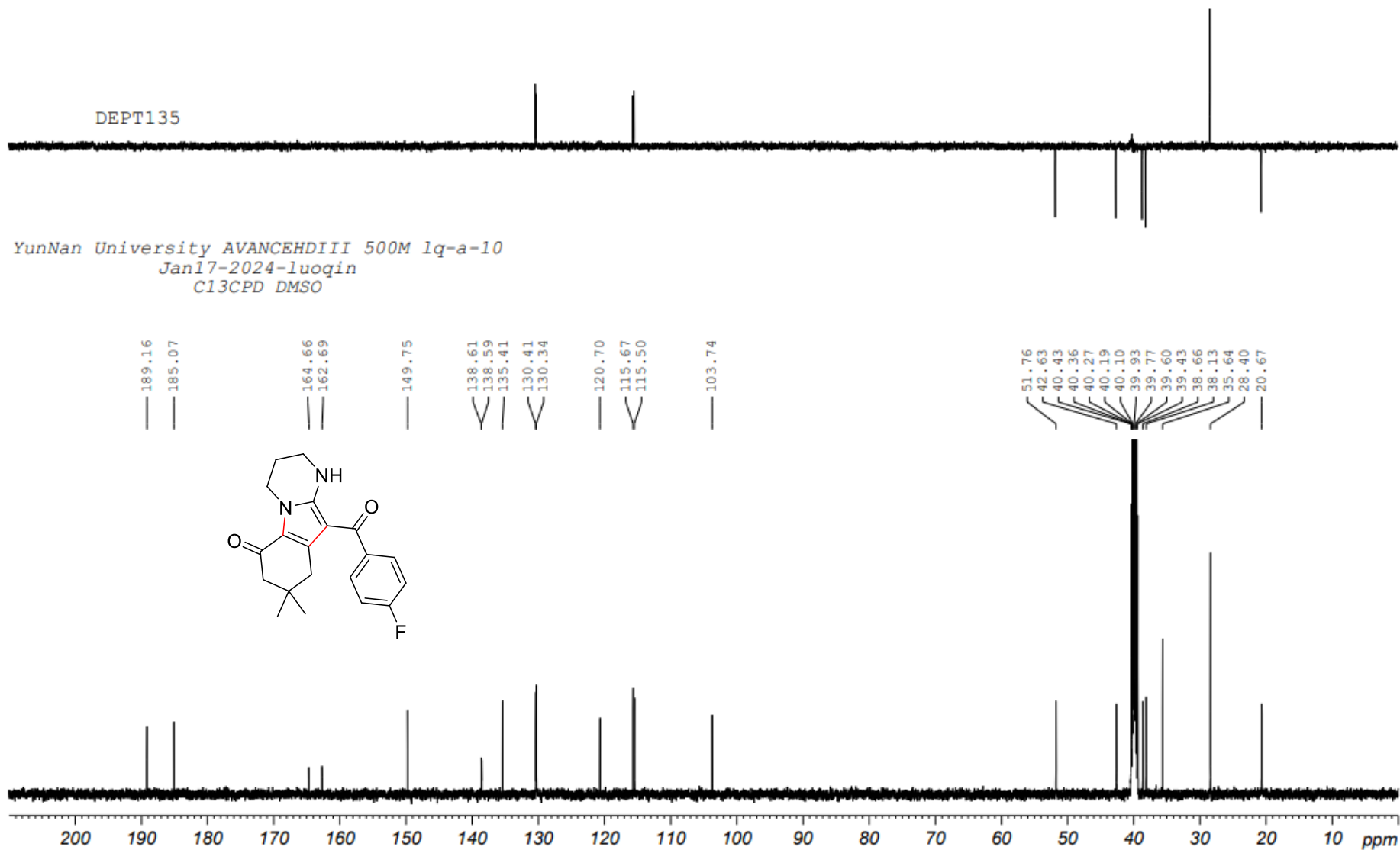


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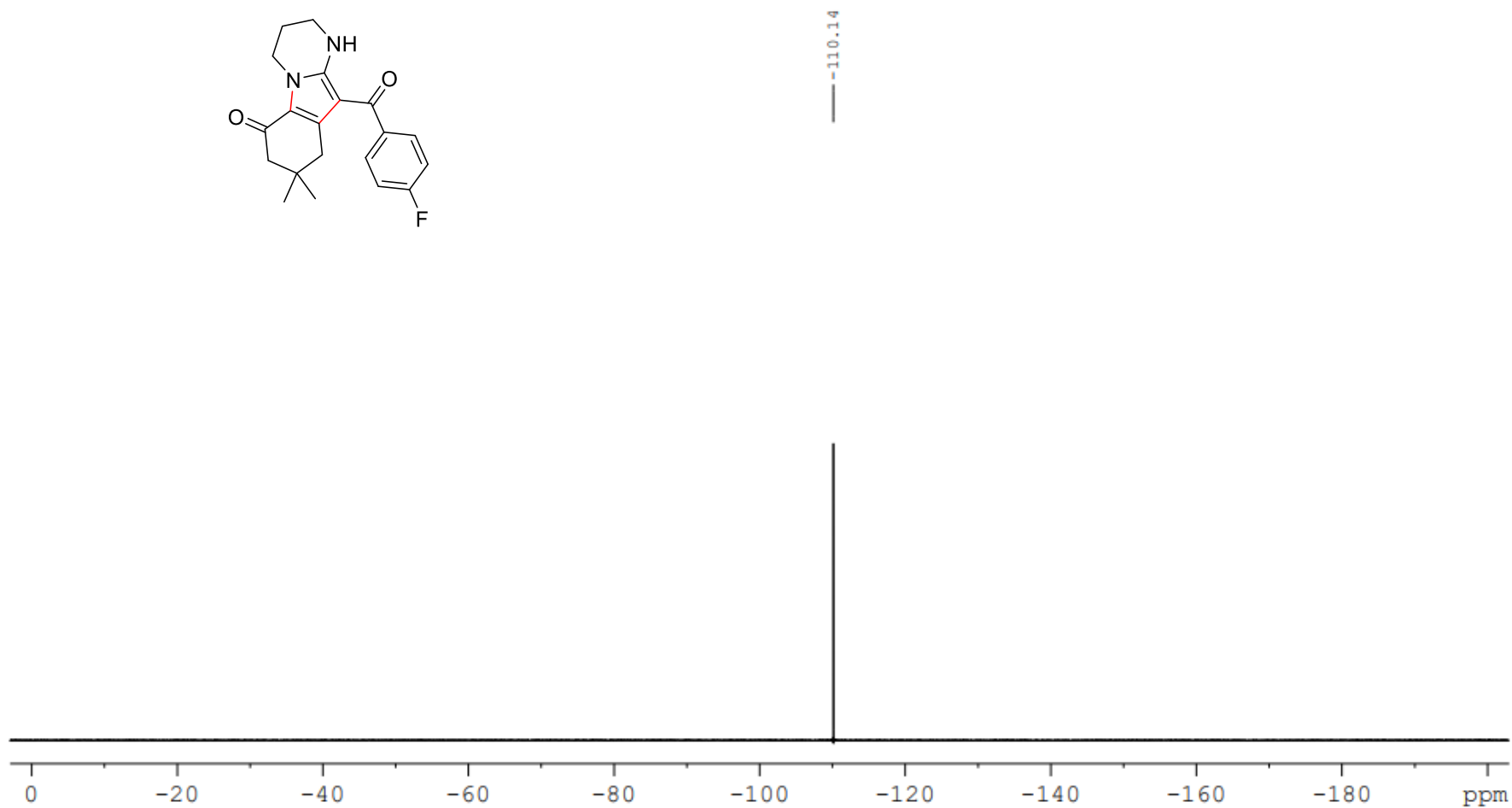


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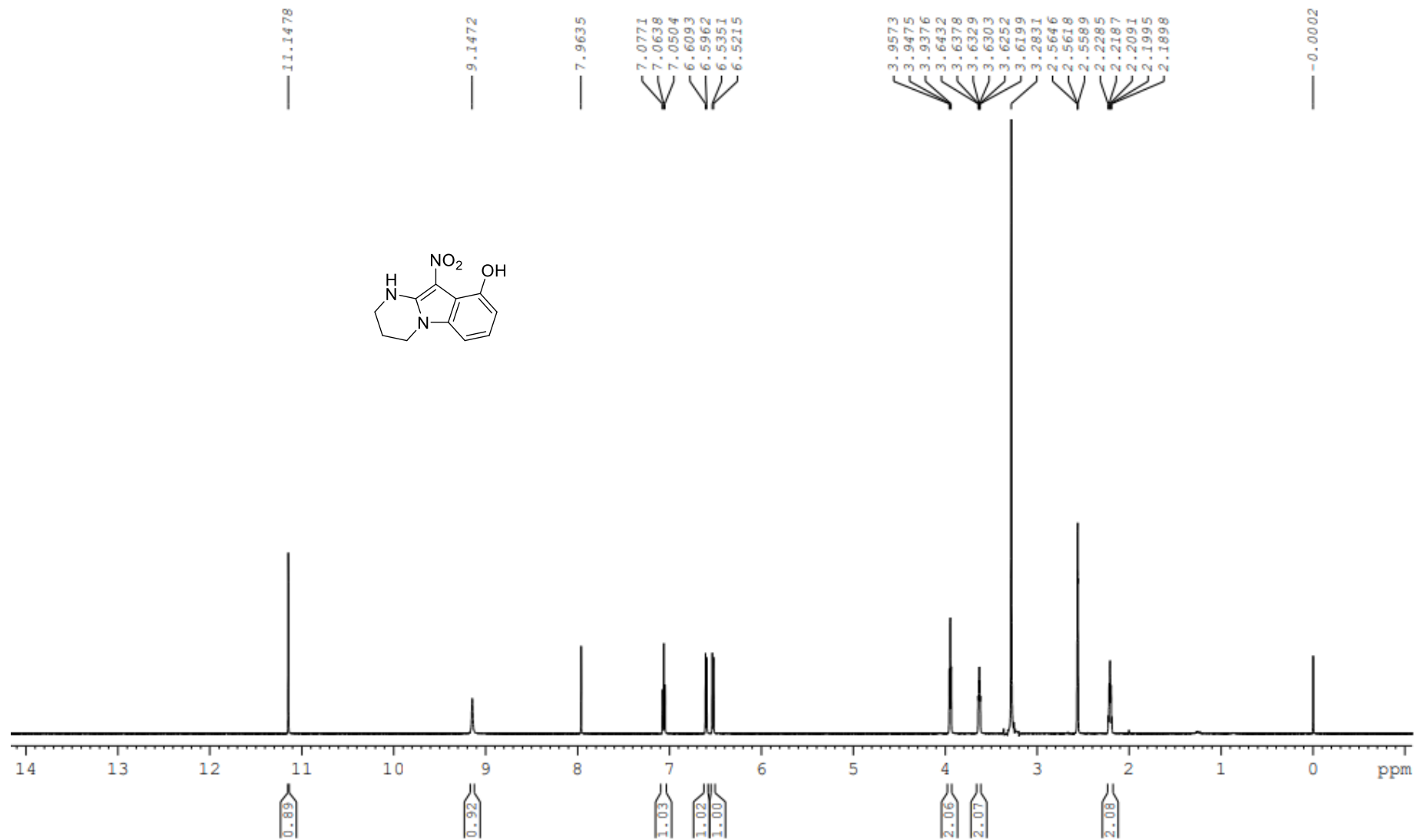


Figure S65. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) spectra of compound **5a**

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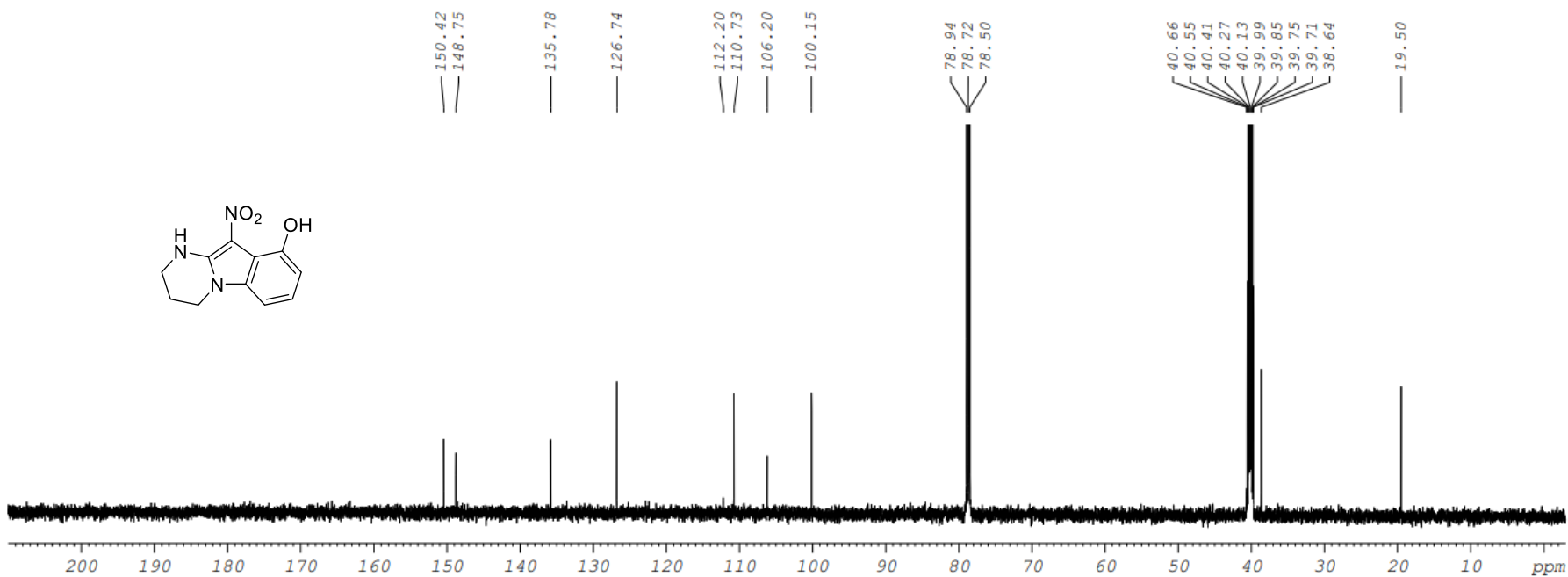


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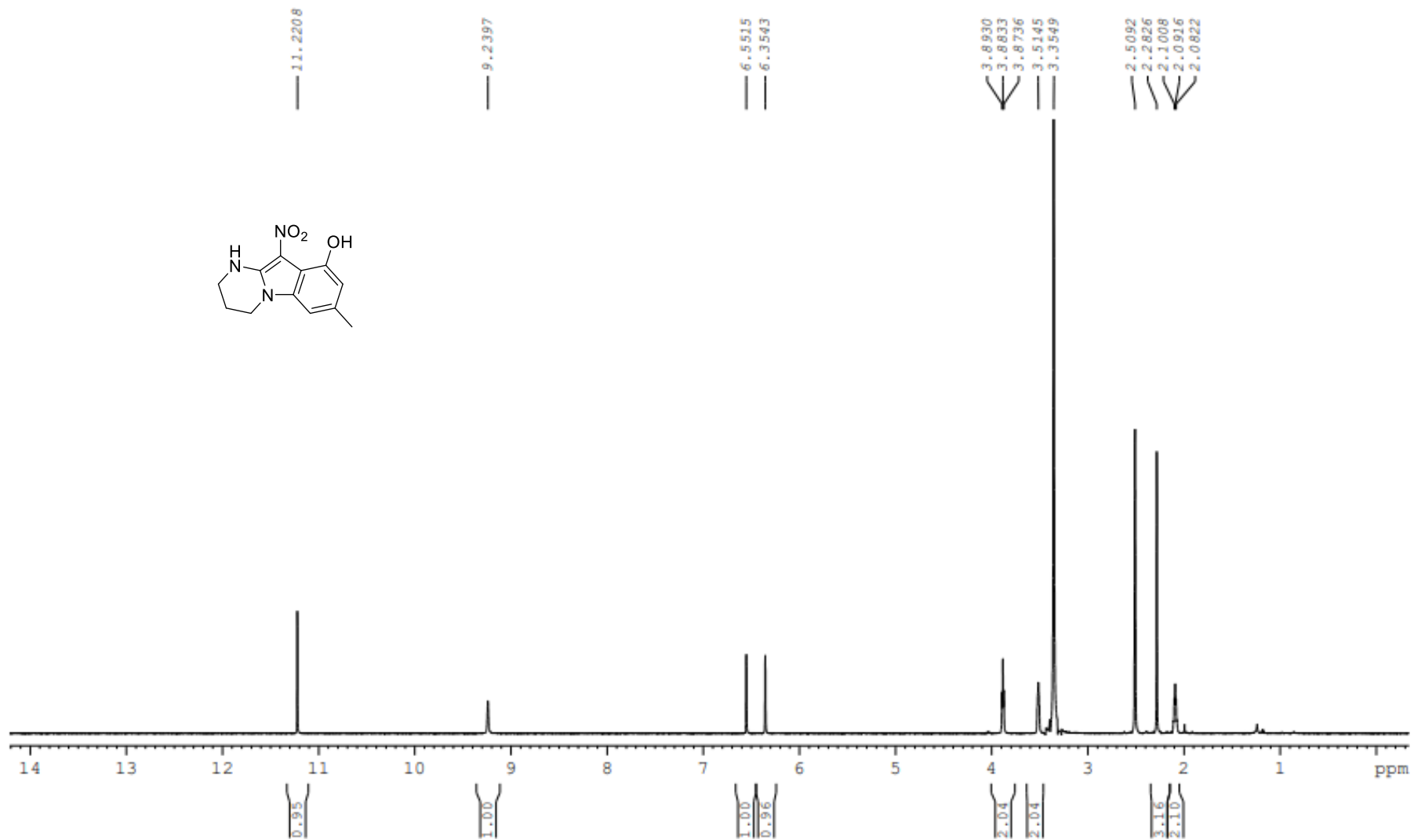


Figure S67. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) spectra of compound **5b**

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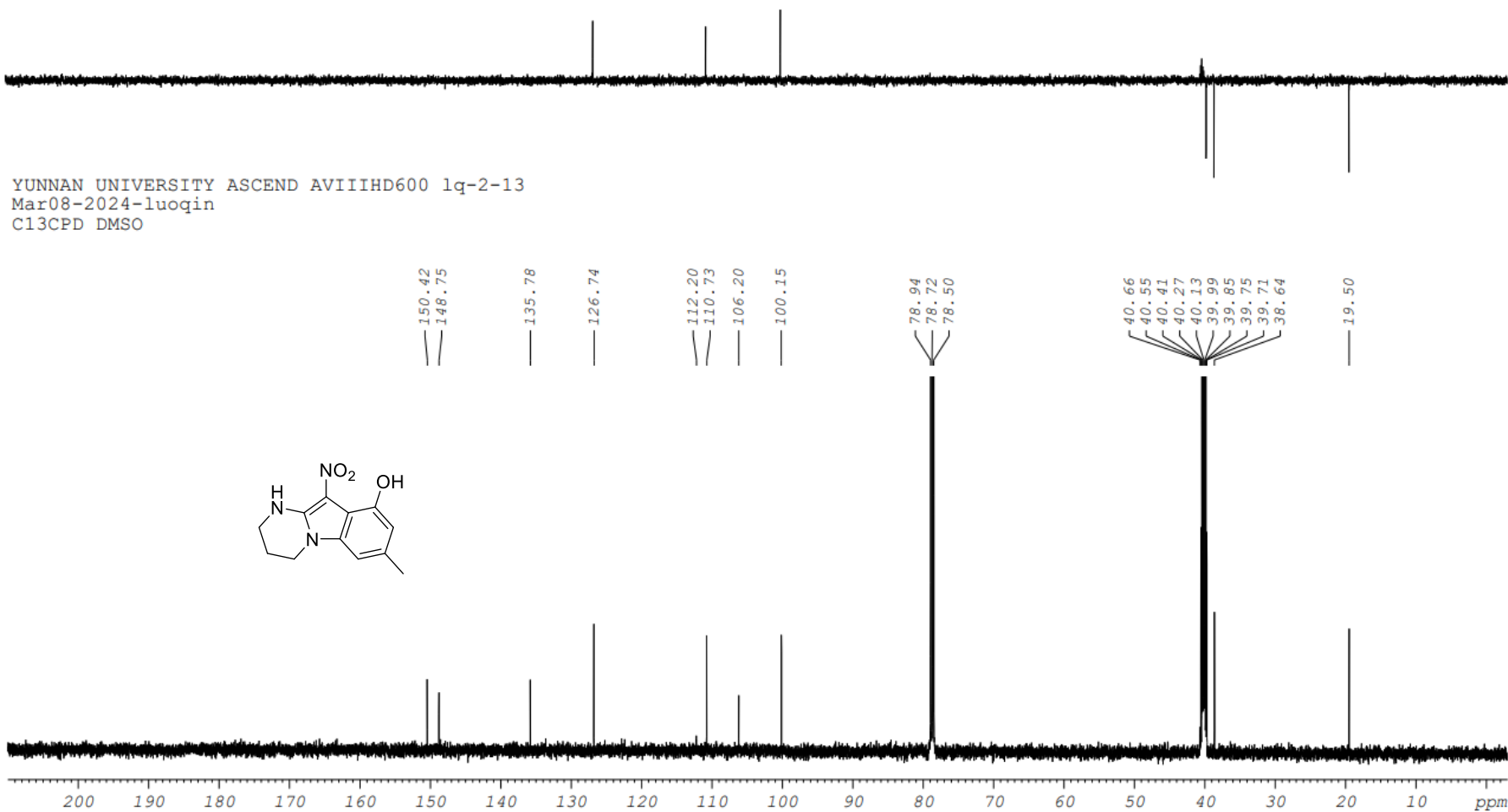


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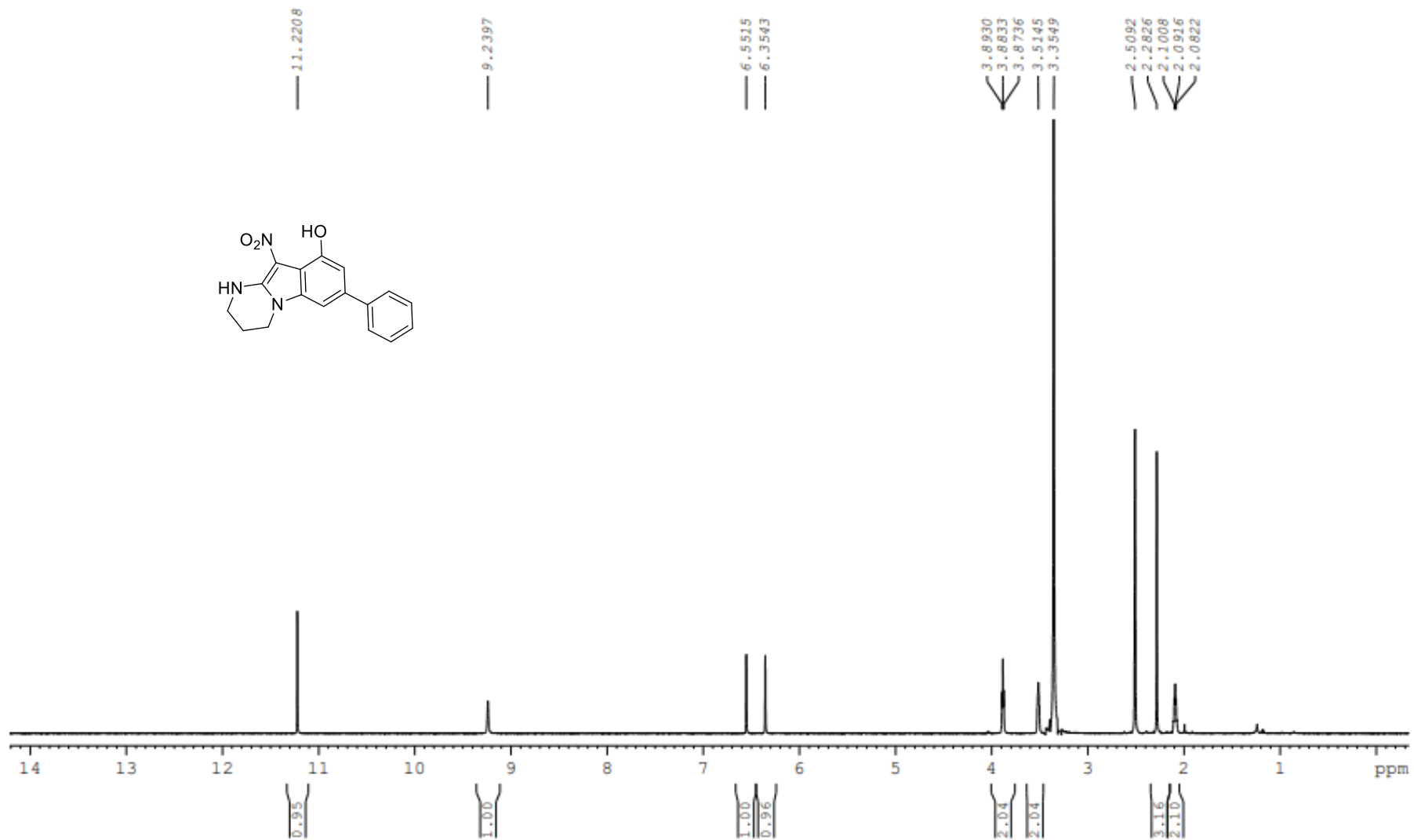


Figure S69. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) spectra of compound 5c

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Figure S70. ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) spectra of compound 5c

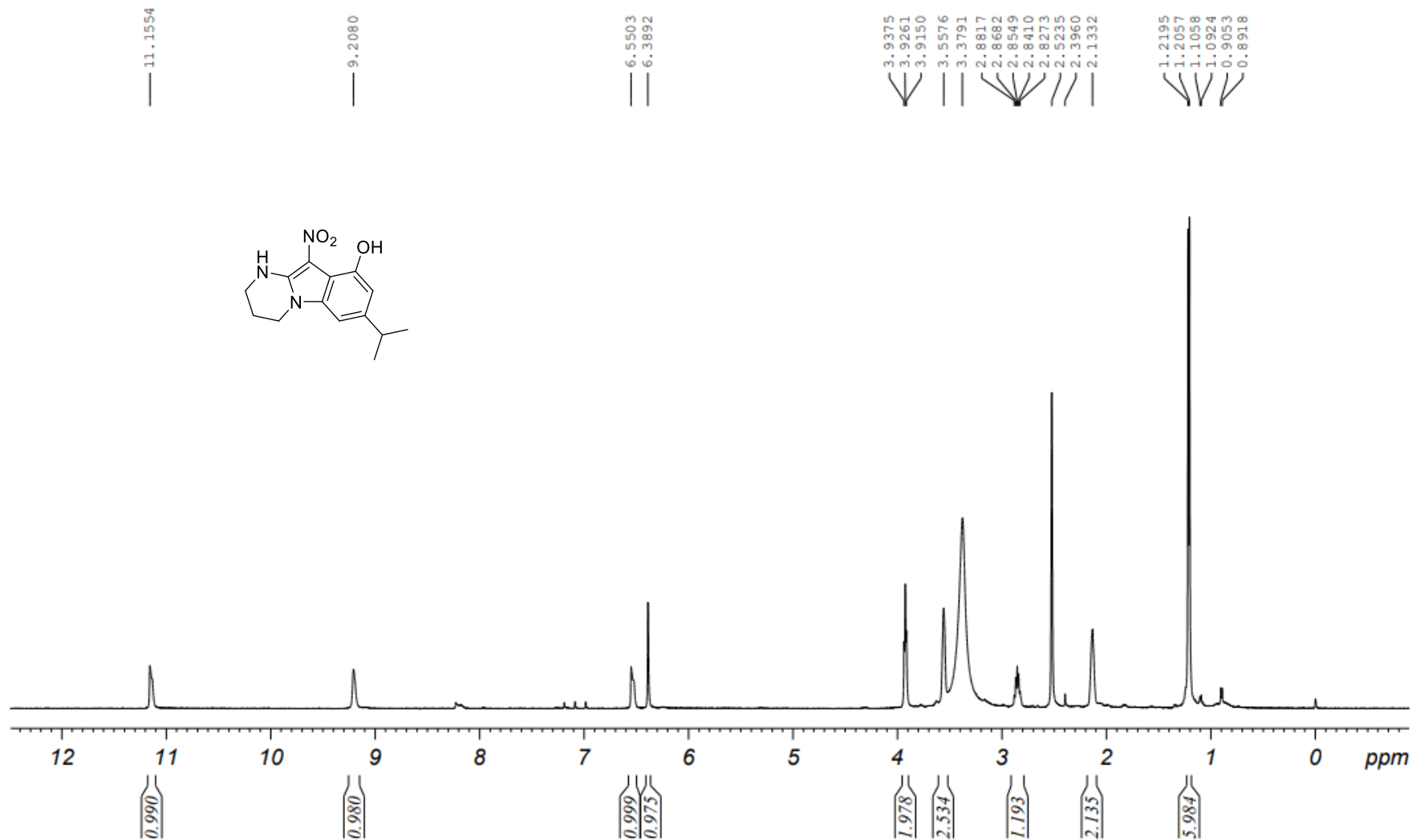


Figure S71. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) spectra of compound **5d**

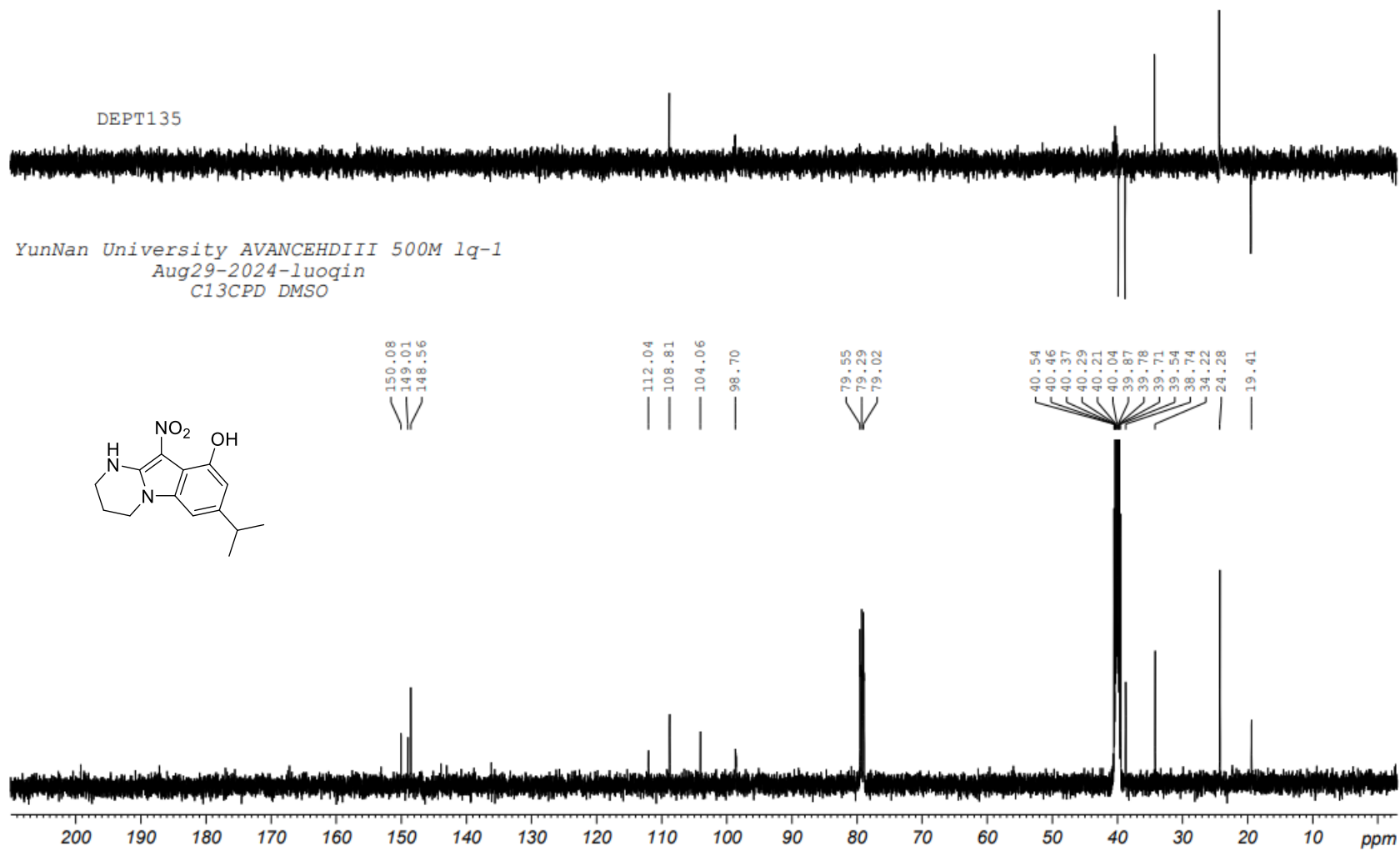


Figure S72. ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, DMSO- d_6) spectra of compound 5d

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