

Supporting Information

Exploring the impact of trifluoromethyl (-CF₃) functional group on the anti-cancer activity of isoxazole-based molecules: Design, synthesis, biological evaluation, and molecular docking analysis

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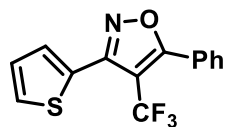
1. Analytical data of all synthesized compounds.

All the synthesized compounds were synthesized following our previously developed protocol and the compounds were characterized by ^1H NMR and ^{13}C NMR which matched with the literature.¹ The new compound, **2f** was characterized by ^1H NMR and ^{13}C NMR and HRMS analysis.



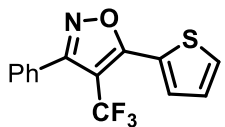
3,5-Diphenyl-4-(trifluoromethyl)isoxazole (2a): White solid (0.101 g, 70%); eluent 2% EtOAc/hexane; mp = 60 - 65 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.64 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 7.60 – 7.54 (m, 2H), 7.42 (t, J = 1.8 Hz, 2H), 7.39 (m, 4H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 171.26, 161.63, 131.51, 130.25, 128.72, 128.58, 127.56, 126.01,

121.72(q, J = 269.67 Hz, CF_3), 106.38(q, J = 38.38 Hz, C- CF_3); ^{19}F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -53.70. The assignment is supported by an X-ray crystallographic structure determination (CCDC 2216331).



5-Phenyl-3-(thiophen-2-yl)-4-(trifluoromethyl)isoxazole (2b): White crystalline solid (0.082 g, 55%); eluent 2% EtOAc/hexane; mp = 65 - 69 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.70 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.61 – 7.49 (m, 5H), 7.19 (dd, J = 5.1, 3.7 Hz, 1H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 170.68, 154.87, 130.58, 128.78, 128.75, 127.91, 127.79, 127.68, 126.85, 126.34, 124.88, 120.55(q, J = 269.67 Hz, CF_3), 104.64(q, J = 38.38 Hz, C- CF_3); ^{19}F NMR (377

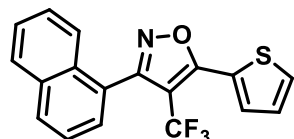
MHz, CDCl_3) δ -54.68. HRMS (ESI), m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_9\text{F}_3\text{NOS}$ [$\text{M} + \text{H}$] $^+$: 296.0357; found: 296.0539.



3-Phenyl-5-(thiophen-2-yl)-4-(trifluoromethyl)isoxazole (2c): Light yellow solid (0.085 g, 58%); eluent 2% EtOAc/hexane; mp = 60 - 64 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.72 (d, J = 3.8 Hz, 1H), 7.66 – 7.62 (m, 3H), 7.53 – 7.50 (m, 3H), 7.22 (dd, J = 5.0, 3.8 Hz, 1H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 164.43, 160.85, 130.00, 129.28, 127.87, 127.55, 127.14, 126.36, 125.21, 120.67(q, J = 268.66 Hz, CF_3), 103.90(q, J = 39.39 Hz, C- CF_3); ^{19}F NMR (377

MHz, CDCl_3) δ -54.15. HRMS (ESI), m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_9\text{F}_3\text{NOS}$ [$\text{M} + \text{H}$] $^+$: 296.0357; found: 296.0539.

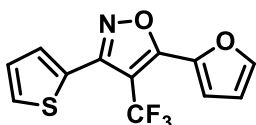
3-(Naphthalen-1-yl)-5-(thiophen-2-yl)-4-(trifluoromethyl)isoxazole (2d): Yellow liquid (0.078 g, 45%); eluent 2% EtOAc/hexane;



$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.04 – 8.00 (m, 1H), 7.96 – 7.92 (m, 1H), 7.81 (d, $J = 3.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.81 – 7.76 (m, 1H), 7.69 (dd, $J = 5.0, 1.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.62 – 7.57 (m, 2H), 7.56 – 7.53 (m, 2H), 7.26 – 7.23 (m, 1H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 164.18, 159.70, 132.35, 130.83, 130.16, 129.95, 129.52, 127.34, 127.31, 127.07, 125.98, 125.37, 125.25, 123.90, 123.86, 123.70, 120.53(q, $J = 268.66$ Hz, CF_3), 105.79(q, $J = 38.38$ Hz, C-

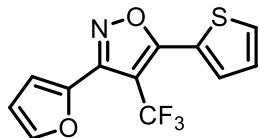
CF_3); $^{19}\text{F NMR}$ (377 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -55.26. Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{10}\text{F}_3\text{NOS}$: C, 62.60; H, 2.92; N, 4.06; S, 9.28. Found: C, 62.50; H, 2.82; N, 4.0; S, 9.18.

5-(Furan-2-yl)-3-(thiophen-2-yl)-4-(trifluoromethyl)isoxazole (2e): White crystalline solid (0.057 g, 40%); eluent 2%



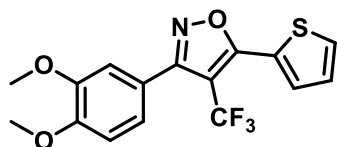
EtOAc/hexane; mp = 66 - 70 °C; $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.70 (d, $J = 1.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.55 (d, $J = 3.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.51 (d, $J = 5.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.23 – 7.11 (m, 2H), 6.63 (dd, $J = 3.6, 1.8$ Hz, 1H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 160.50, 154.78, 145.15, 139.26, 128.96, 127.78, 126.83, 125.82, 120.31(q, $J = 268.66$ Hz, CF_3), 114.79, 111.22; $^{19}\text{F NMR}$ (377 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -54.84. HRMS (ESI), m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_7\text{F}_3\text{NO}_2\text{S}$ [$\text{M} + \text{H}$] $^+$: 286.0150; found: 286.9966.

3-(Furan-2-yl)-5-(thiophen-2-yl)-4-(trifluoromethyl)isoxazole (2f). $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.72 – 7.62 (m, 3H), 7.21 (dd, J



= 5.0, 3.8 Hz, 1H), 7.02 (d, $J = 3.5$ Hz, 1H), 6.57 (dd, $J = 3.5, 1.8$ Hz, 1H); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 165.40, 152.78, 144.95, 141.12, 131.49, 131.17, 128.07, 125.73, 122.66, 120.00, 113.50, 111.68, 77.00. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_7\text{F}_3\text{NO}_2\text{S}$ [$\text{M} + \text{H}$] $^+$, 286.0150; found, 286.0288.

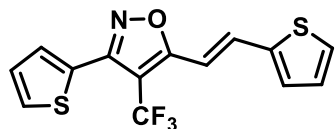
3-(3,4-Dimethoxyphenyl)-5-(thiophen-2-yl)-4-(trifluoromethyl)isoxazole (2g): White solid (0.098 g, 55%); eluent 2%



EtOAc/hexane; mp = 106 - 110 °C; $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.69 (d, $J = 3.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.64 (dd, $J = 5.1, 1.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.24 – 7.21 (m, 1H), 7.20 (dd, $J = 4.0, 2.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.16 (d, $J = 1.9$ Hz, 1H), 6.97 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 1H), 3.94 (s, 3H), 3.93 (s, 3H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 165.37, 161.56, 150.76,

148.89, 131.07, 130.95, 128.10, 126.25, 121.87, 121.74 (q, $J = 268.66$ Hz, CF_3), 119.61, 111.73, 110.98, 104.99, 55.92; ^{19}F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -54.1. HRMS (ESI), m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{13}\text{F}_3\text{NO}_3\text{S}$ $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$: 356.0568; found: 356.0556.

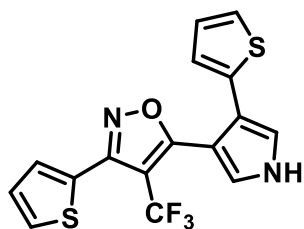
(E)-3-(Thiophen-2-yl)-5-(2-(thiophen-2-yl)vinyl)-4-(trifluoromethyl)isoxazole (4): Light yellow solid (0.081 g, 50%); eluent 2%



EtOAc/hexane; mp = 120 - 124 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.73 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.58 – 7.54 (m, 1H), 7.49 (dd, $J = 5.1, 1.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.41 (d, $J = 5.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.31 (d, $J = 3.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.16 (dd, $J = 5.1, 3.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.09 (dd, $J = 5.0, 3.7$ Hz, 1H), 6.91 (dd, $J = 16.0, 0.7$ Hz, 1H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (101

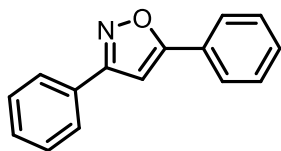
MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.80, 155.52, 140.12, 131.93, 130.58, 129.56, 128.67, 128.39, 128.26, 127.88, 127.31, 121.92 (q, $J = 268.66$ Hz, CF_3), 117.94, 109.38, 104.47 (q, $J = 37.37$ Hz, C- CF_3); ^{19}F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -55.06. HRMS (ESI), m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_9\text{F}_3\text{NOS}_2$ $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$: 328.0078; found: 328.0068.

3-(Thiophen-2-yl)-5-(4-(thiophen-2-yl)-1H-pyrrol-3-yl)-4-(trifluoromethyl)isoxazole (5): Brown solid (0.107 g, 98%); ^1H NMR

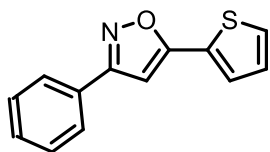


(400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.92 (s, 1H), 7.58 – 7.55 (m, 1H), 7.49 (dd, $J = 5.1, 1.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.18 – 7.15 (m, 2H), 7.14 (d, $J = 2.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.02 (t, $J = 2.3$ Hz, 1H), 6.97 (dd, $J = 5.1, 3.6$ Hz, 1H), 6.90 (dd, $J = 3.5, 1.1$ Hz, 1H); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 168.05, 155.39, 135.53, 129.60, 128.49, 127.85, 127.70, 127.47, 125.53, 124.49, 123.83, 121.92, 121.55 (q, $J = 268.6$ Hz, CF_3), 118.65, 117.86, 107.19, 106.21 (q, $J = 38.38$ Hz, C- CF_3); ^{19}F NMR (377 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -55.66. HRMS (ESI), m/z calcd for

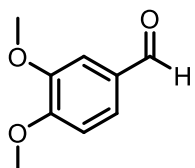
$\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{10}\text{F}_3\text{N}_2\text{OS}_2$ $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$: 367.0187; found: 367.0180.



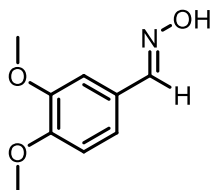
3,5-diphenylisoxazole (7) [1]



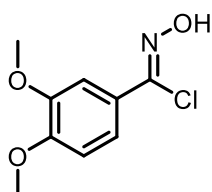
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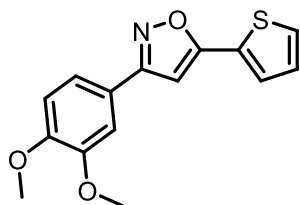
3,4-dimethoxybenzaldehyde (11): $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 9.81 (s, 1H), 7.46 – 7.34 (m, 2H), 6.94 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.91 (d, $J = 10.5$ Hz, 6H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 190.95, 154.49, 149.60, 130.10, 126.88, 110.40, 108.94, 56.16, 55.98.



(E)-3,4-dimethoxybenzaldehyde oxime (12): $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.08 (s, 1H), 7.26 (s, 1H), 7.20 (d, $J = 1.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.02 (dd, $J = 8.3, 1.9$ Hz, 1H), 6.85 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 1H), 3.90 (s, 7H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 150.83, 150.14, 149.32, 124.84, 121.68, 110.80, 108.04, 55.93, 55.89.

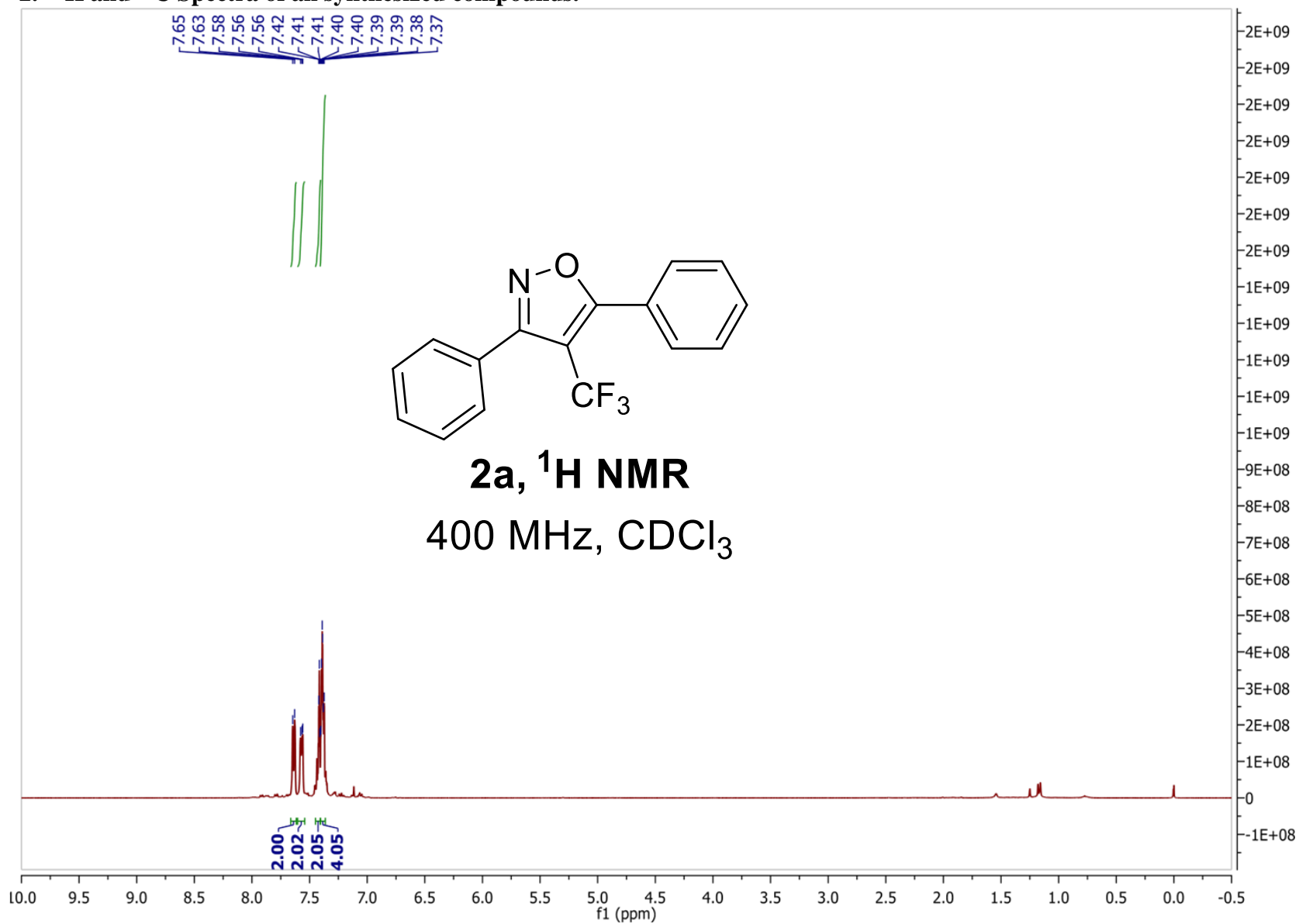


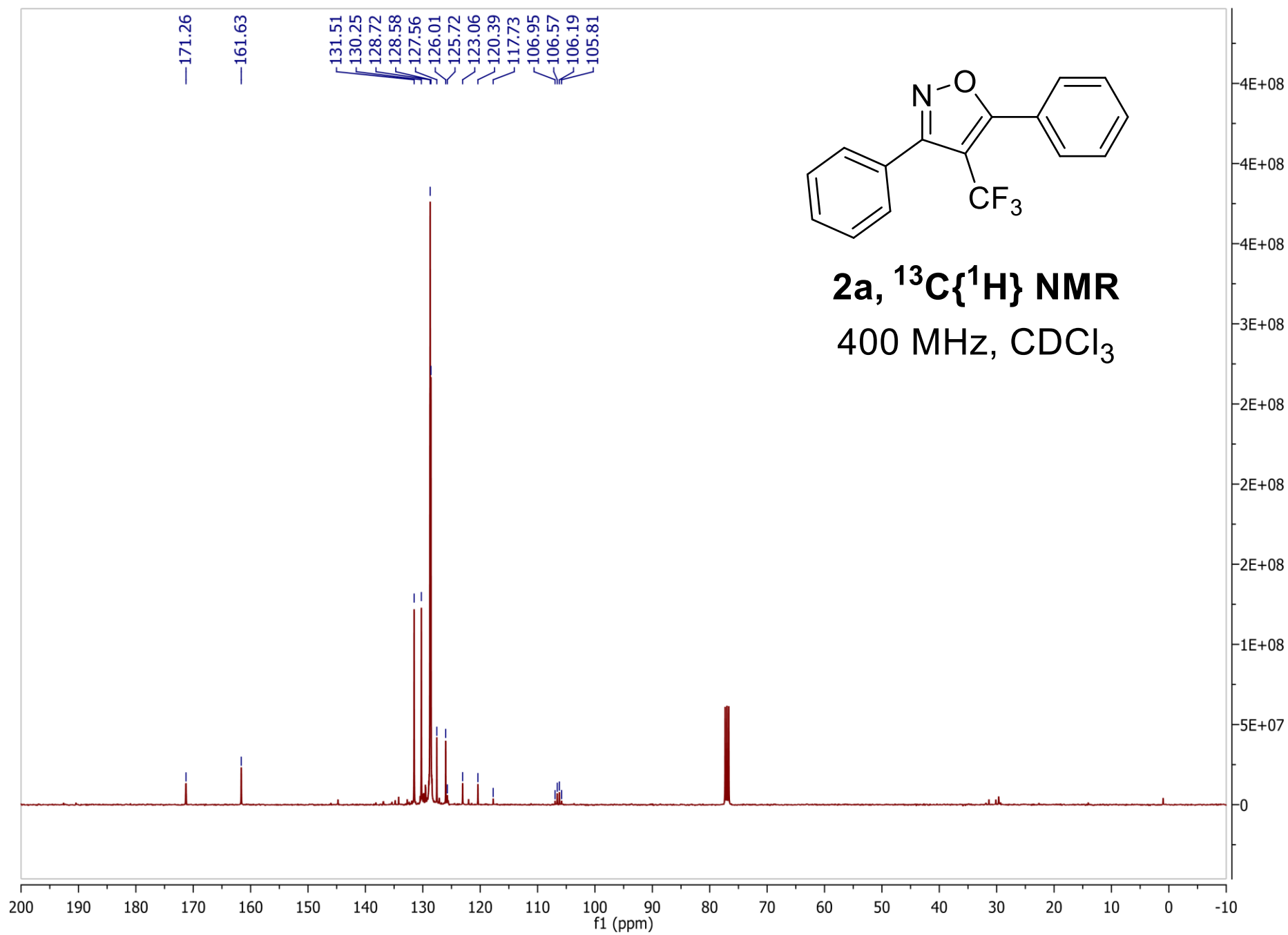
(Z)-N-hydroxy-3,4-dimethoxybenzimidoyl chloride (13): $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.44 (dd, $J = 8.5, 2.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.36 (d, $J = 2.1$ Hz, 1H), 6.88 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 3.92 (s, 6H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 151.27, 148.76, 139.75, 125.06, 120.90, 110.53, 109.50, 55.99.

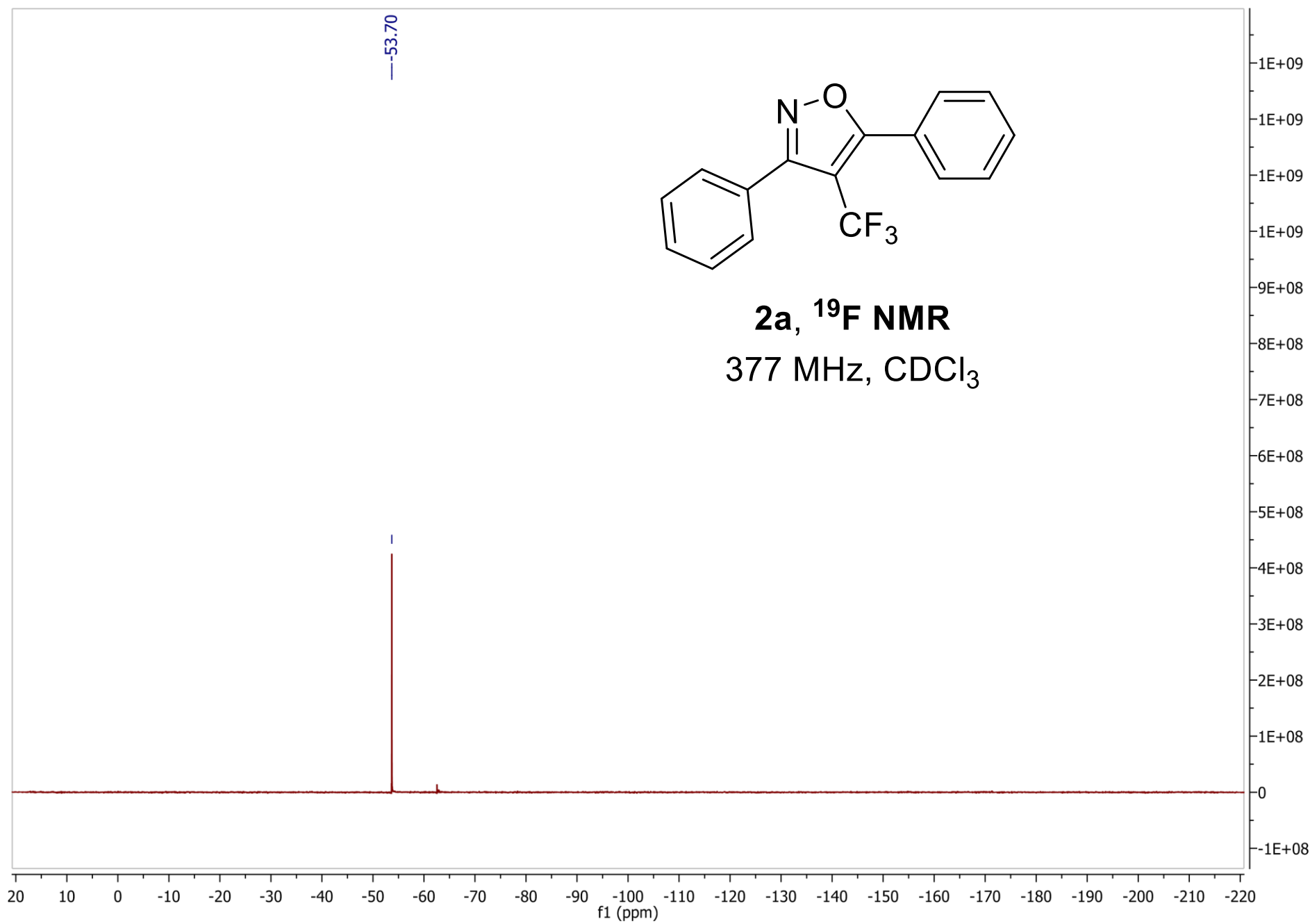


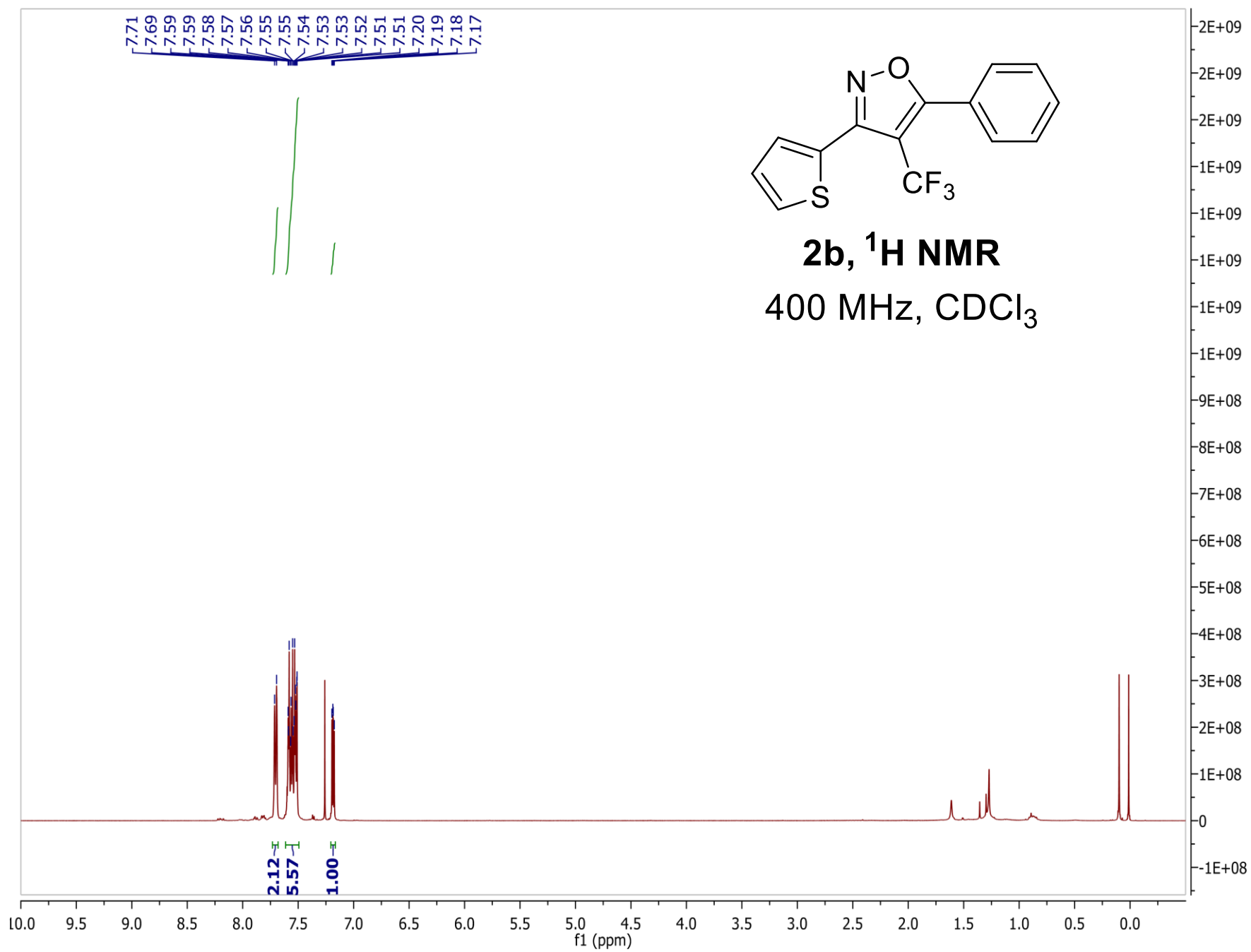
3-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-5-(thiophen-2-yl)isoxazole (14): $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.56 (dd, $J = 3.7, 1.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.49 – 7.42 (m, 2H), 7.34 (dd, $J = 8.3, 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.14 (dd, $J = 5.0, 3.7$ Hz, 1H), 6.94 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 1H), 6.65 (s, 1H), 3.95 (d, $J = 12.7$ Hz, 6H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 165.21, 162.68, 150.70, 149.33, 129.35, 128.10, 127.95, 127.02, 121.60, 119.97, 111.08, 109.37, 97.15, 56.05, 55.98. HRMS (ESI),

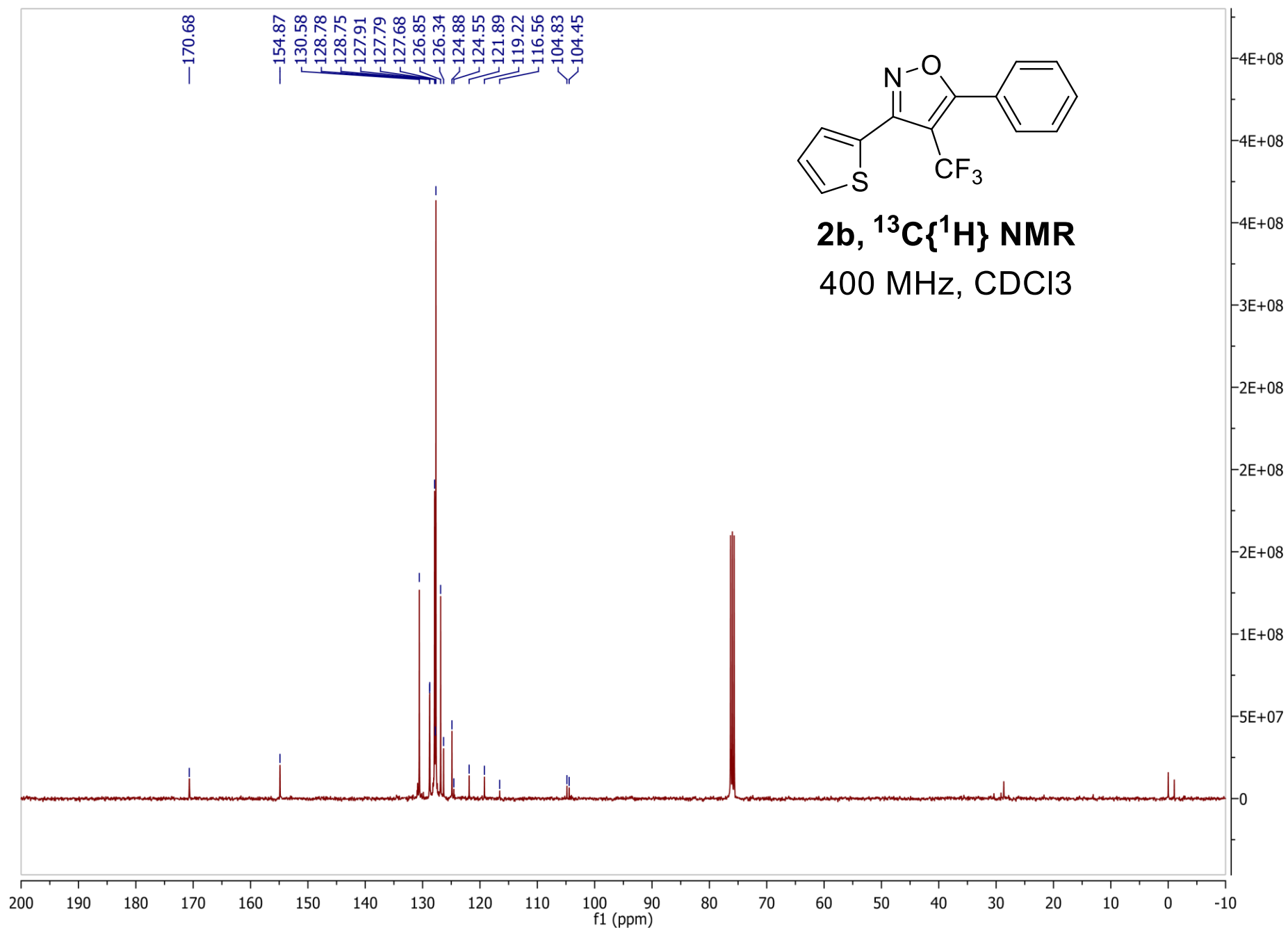
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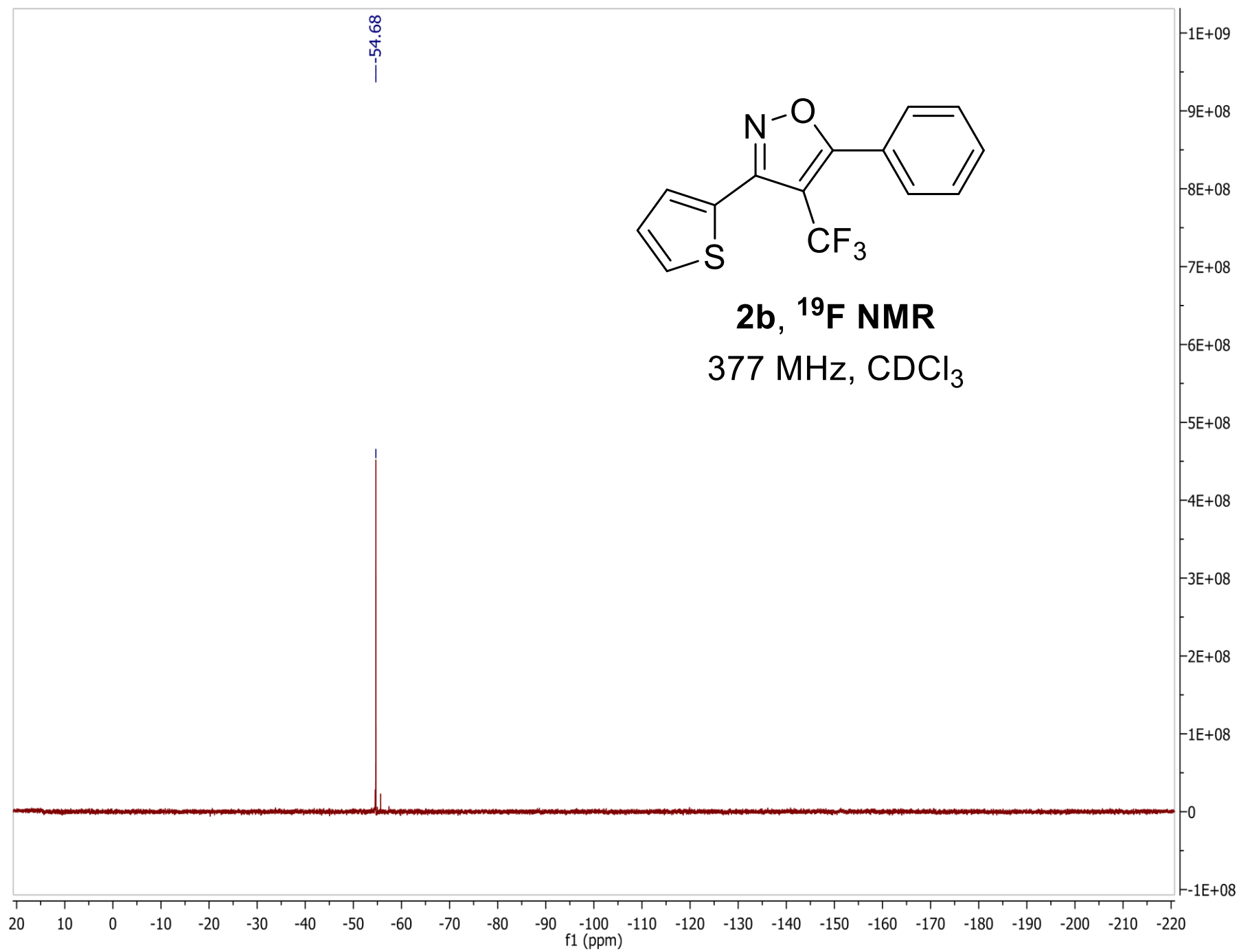
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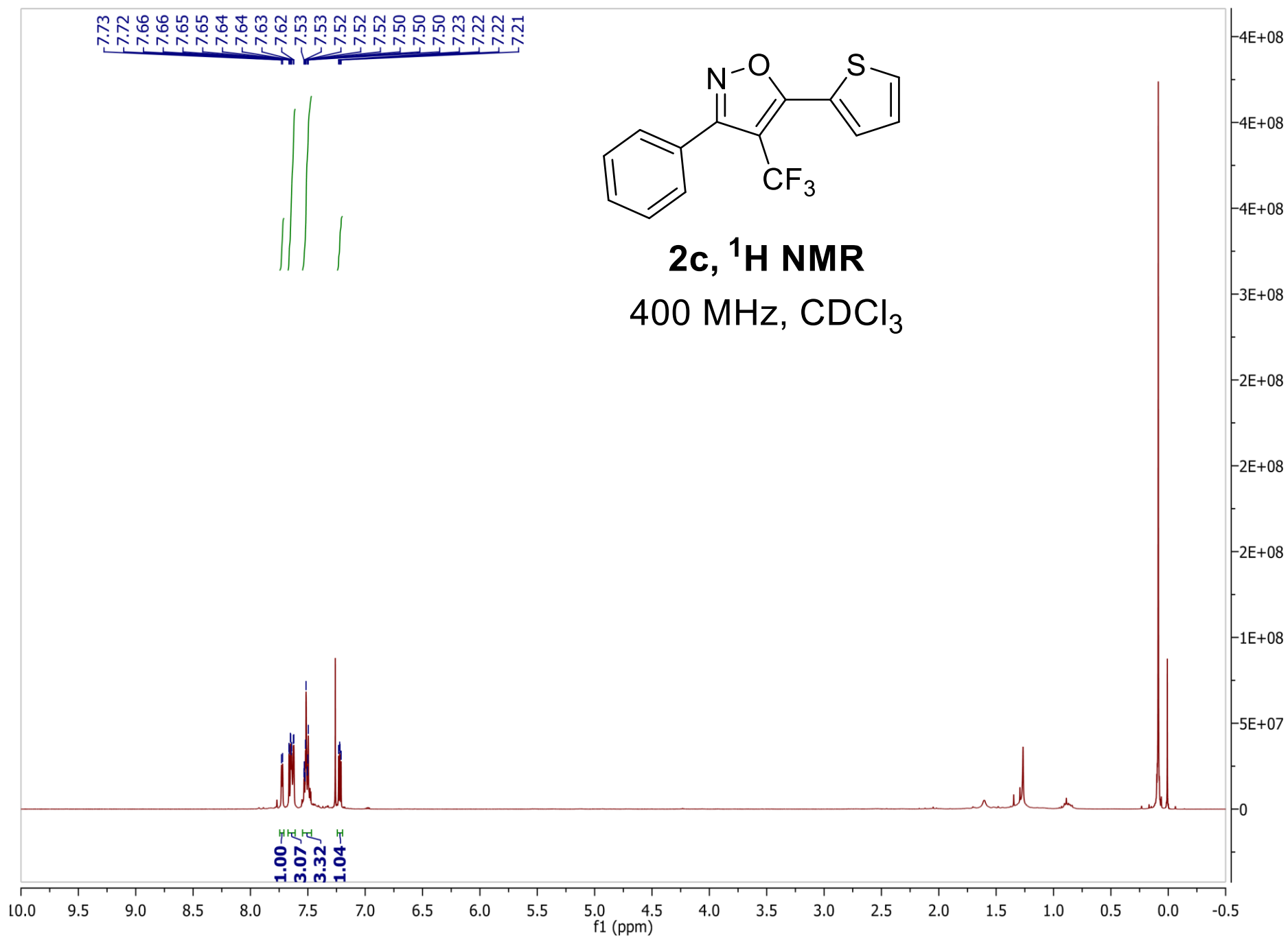


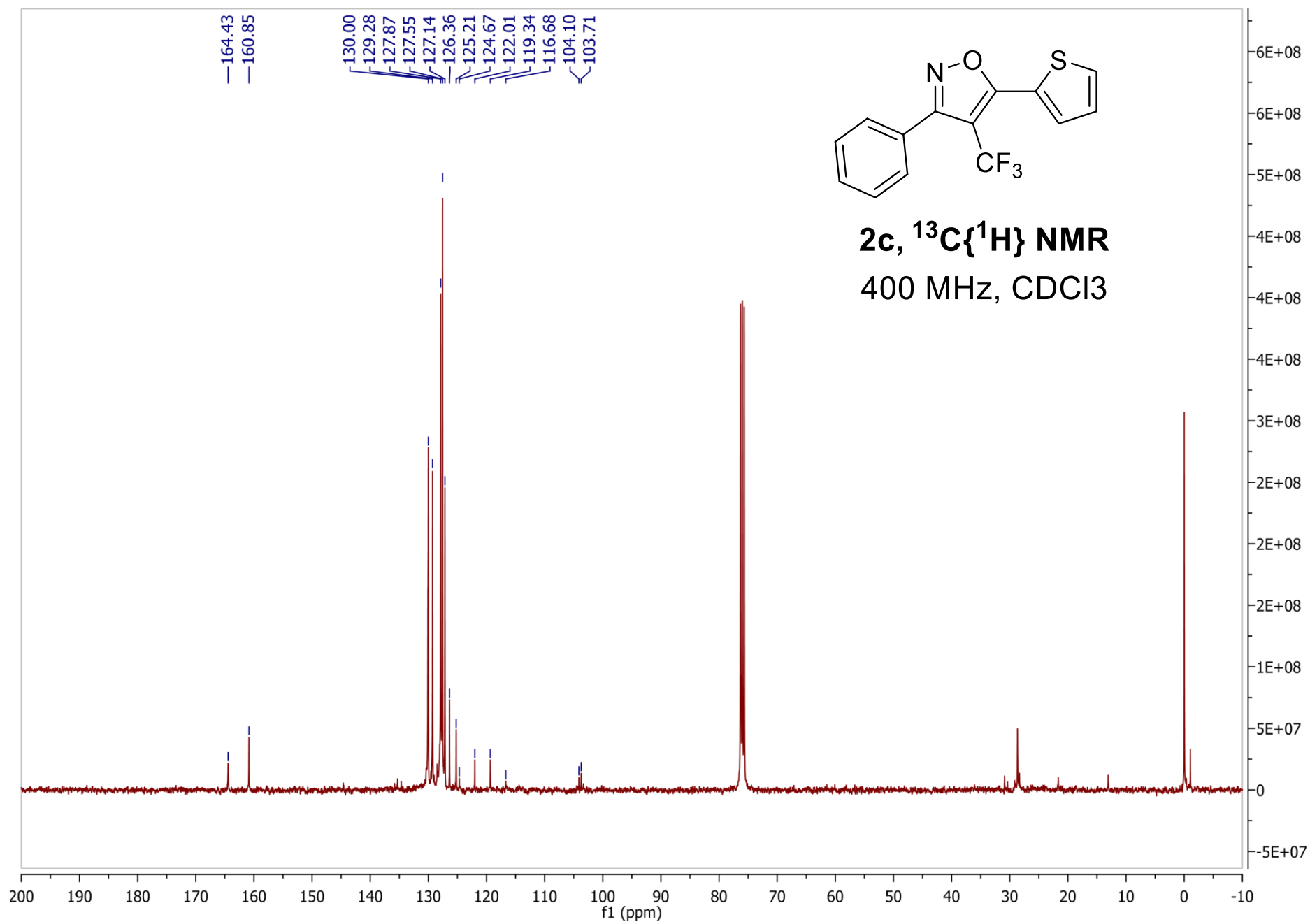


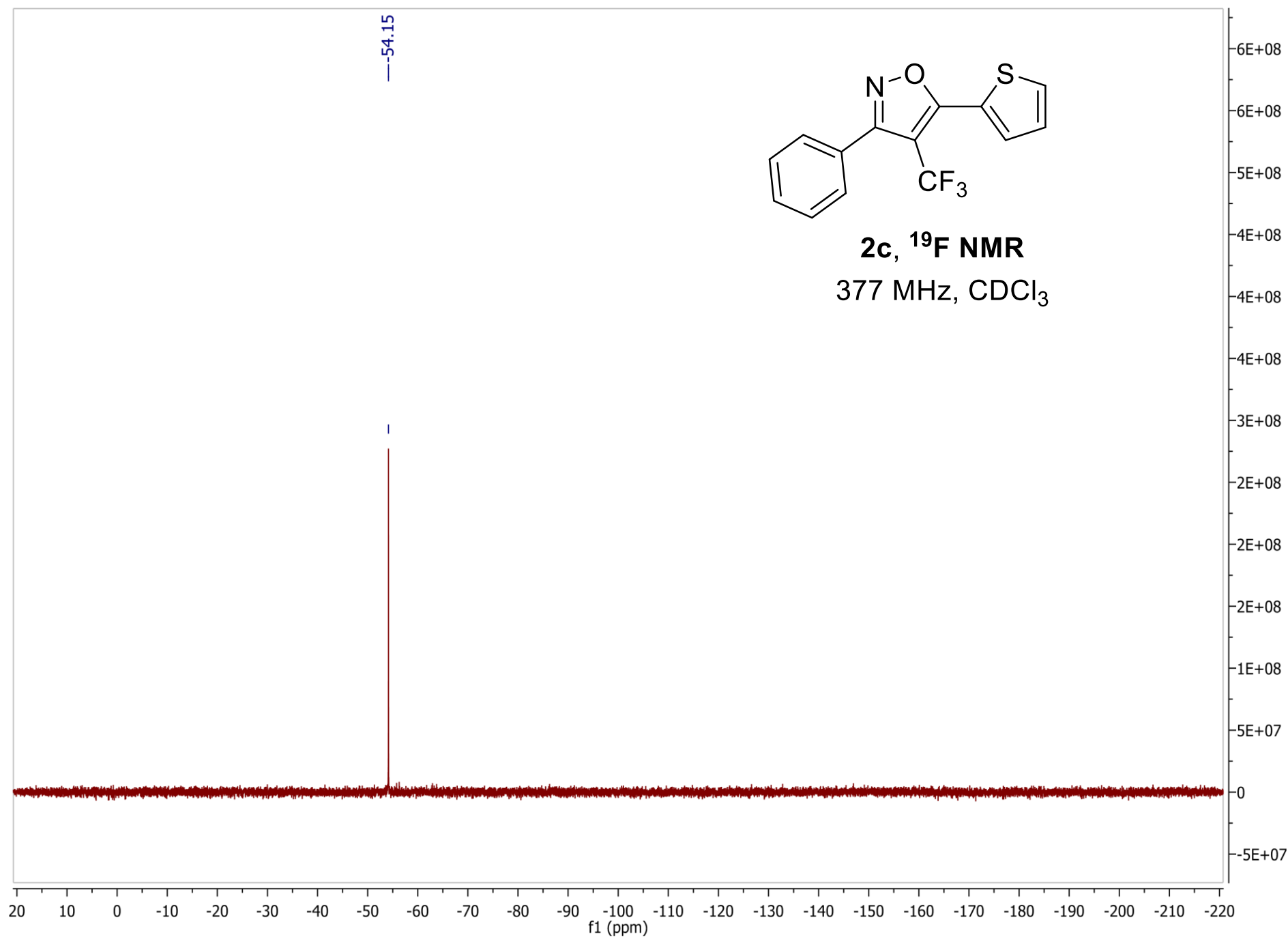


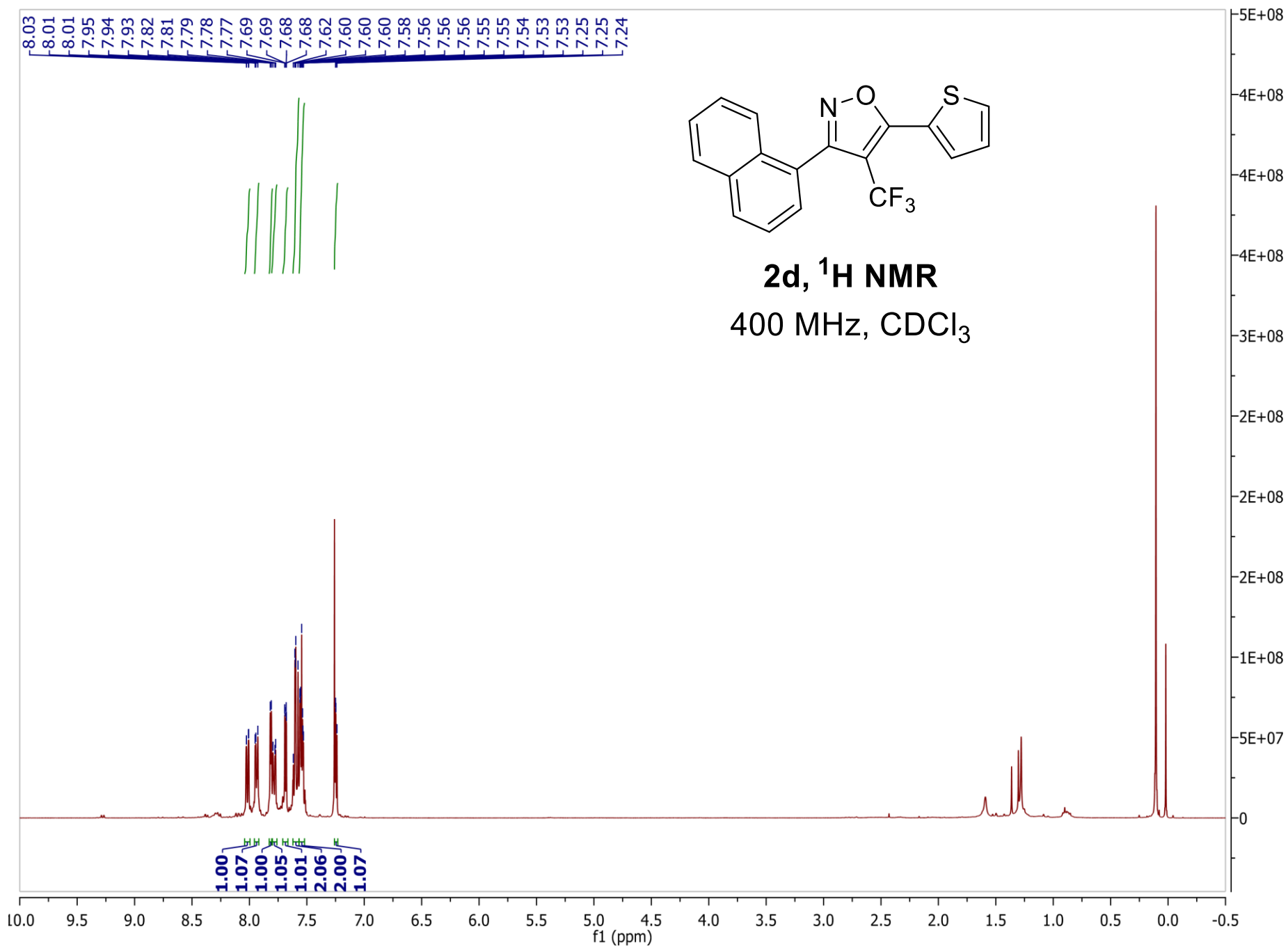


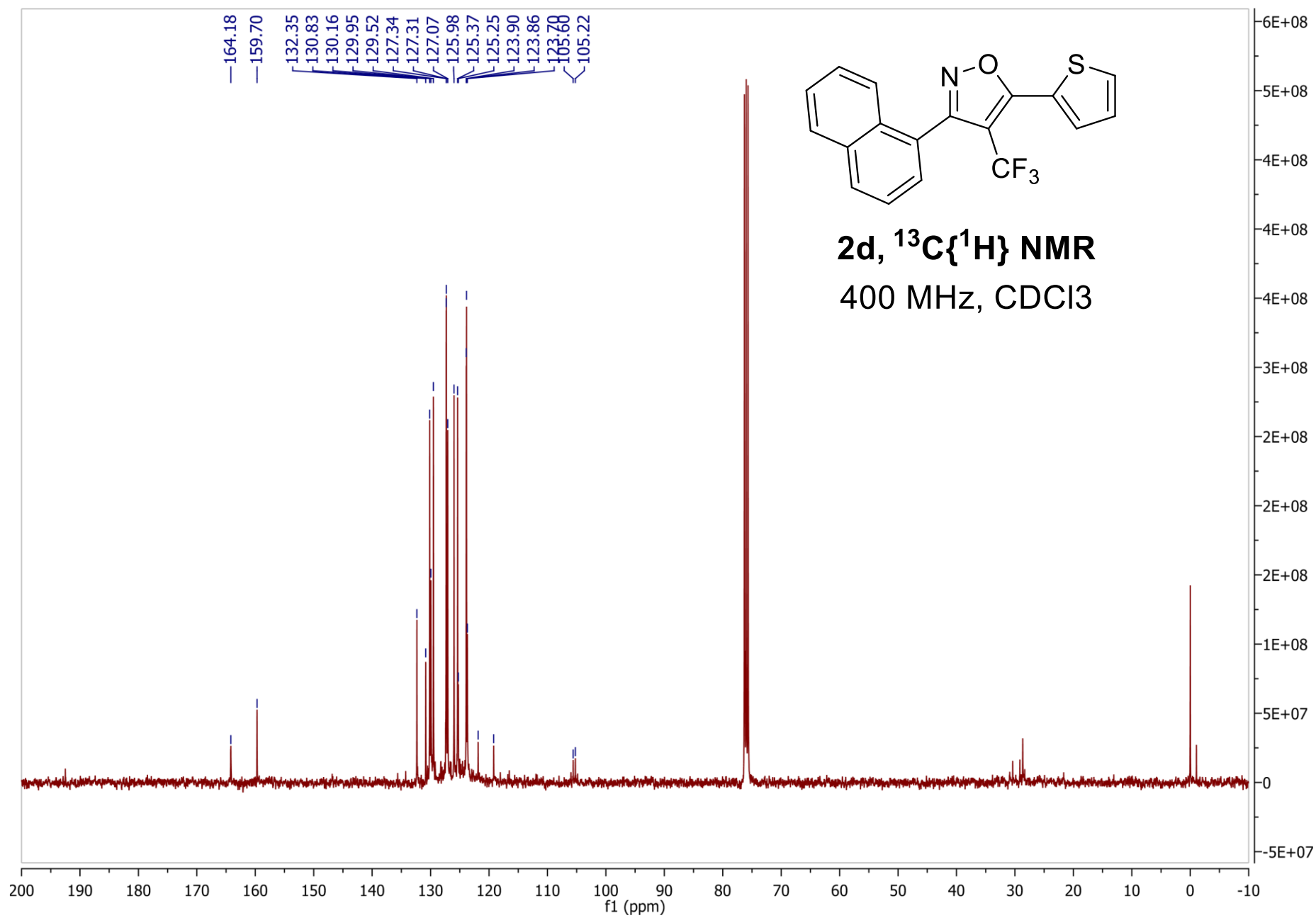


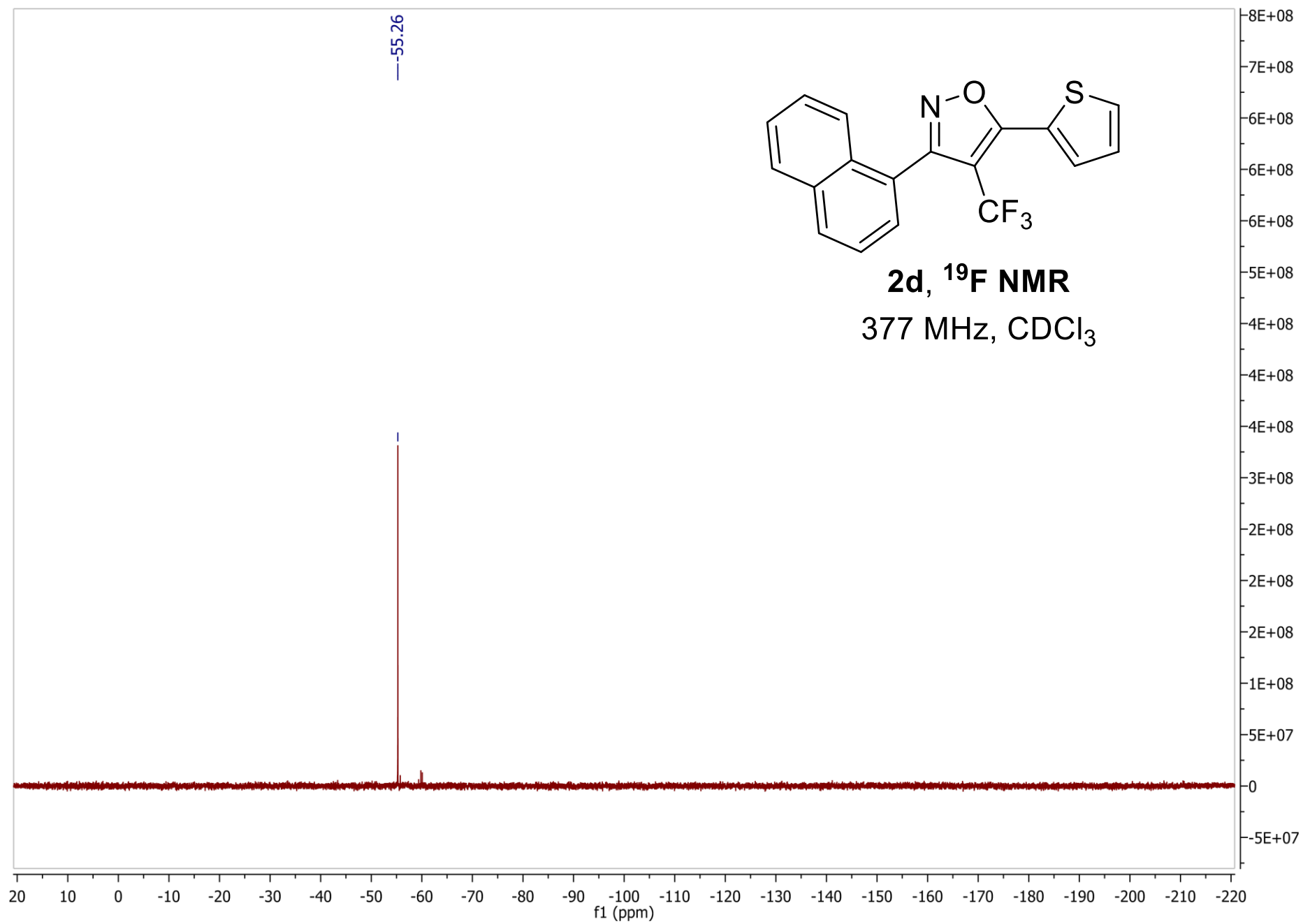


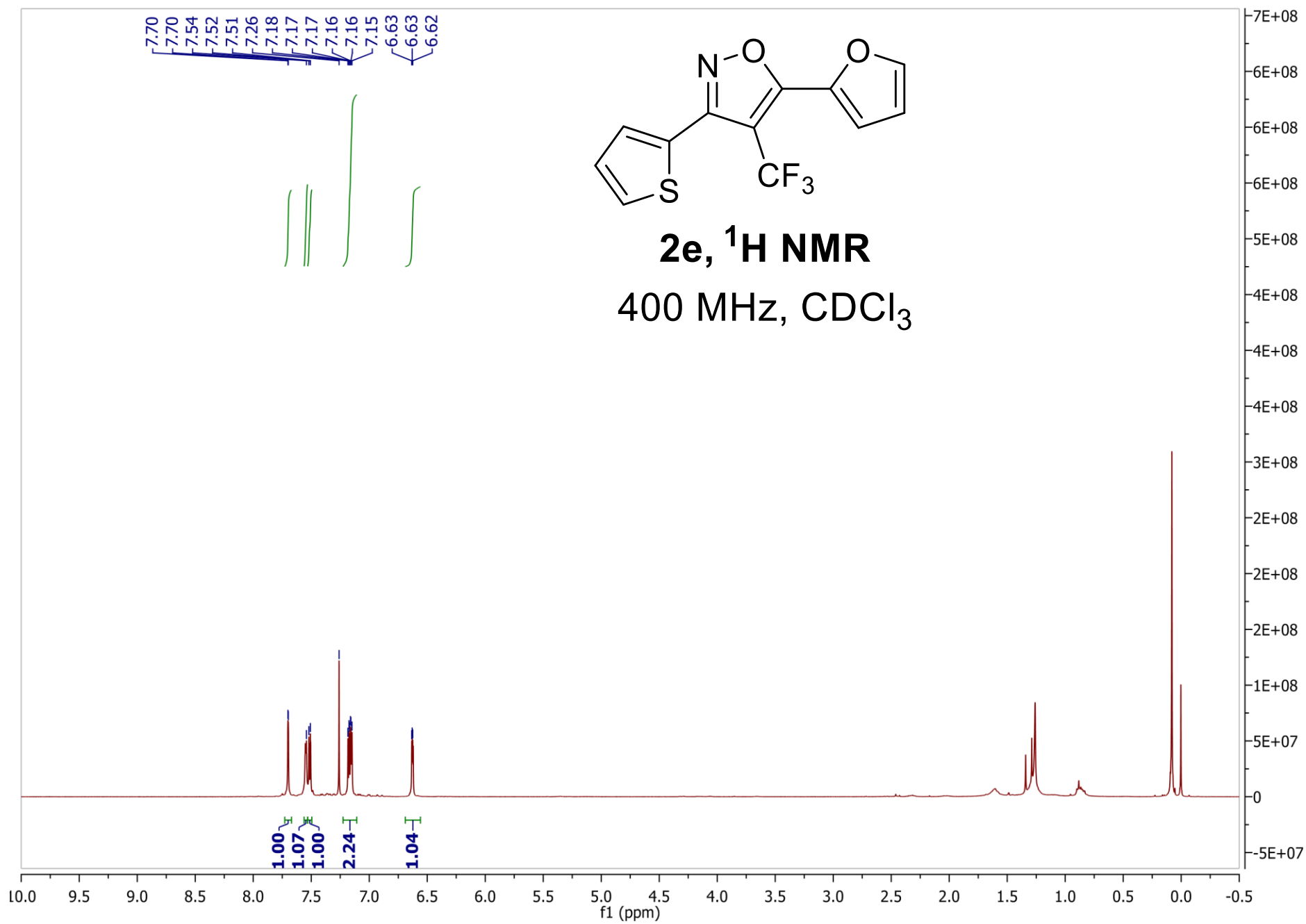


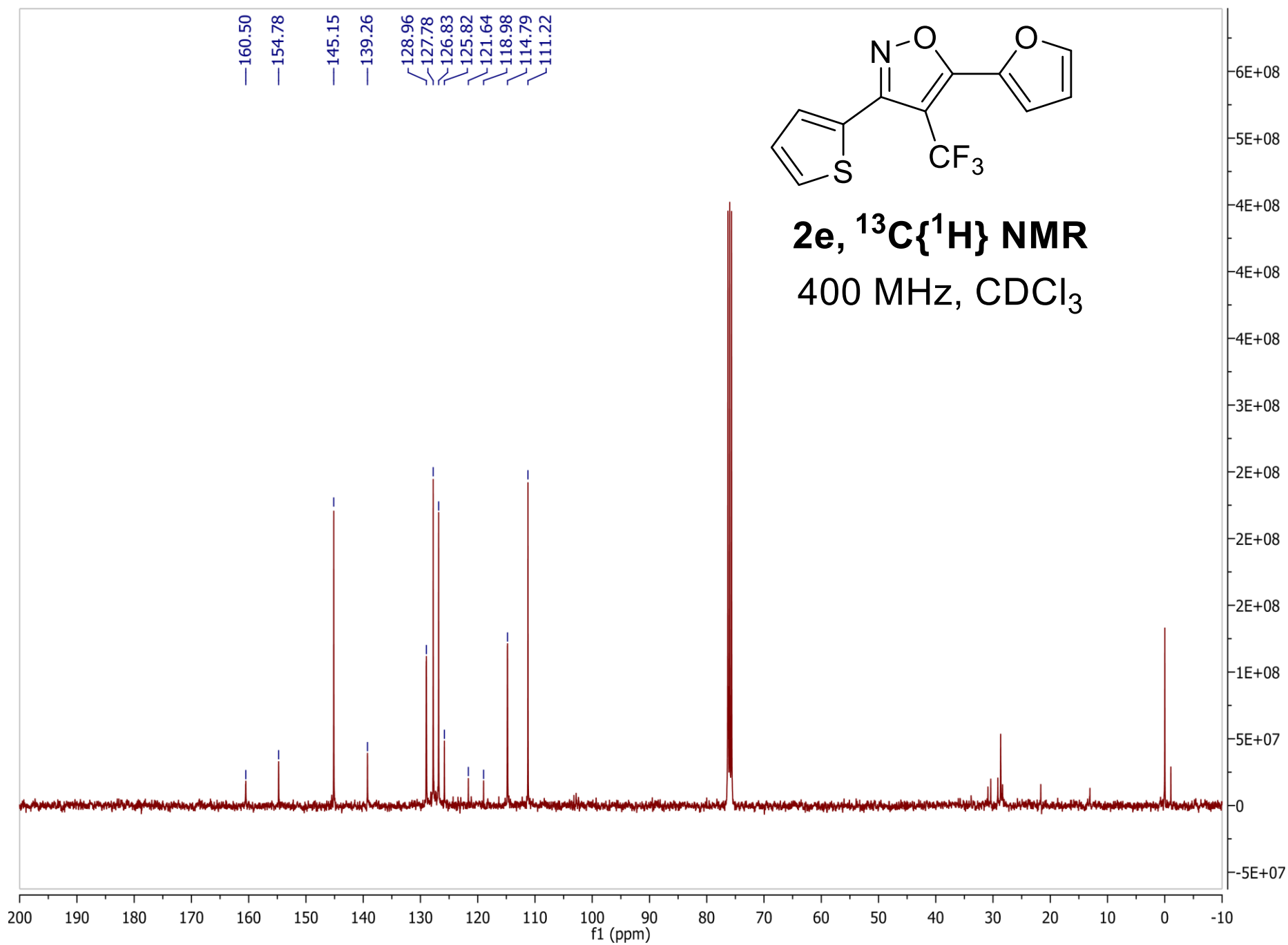


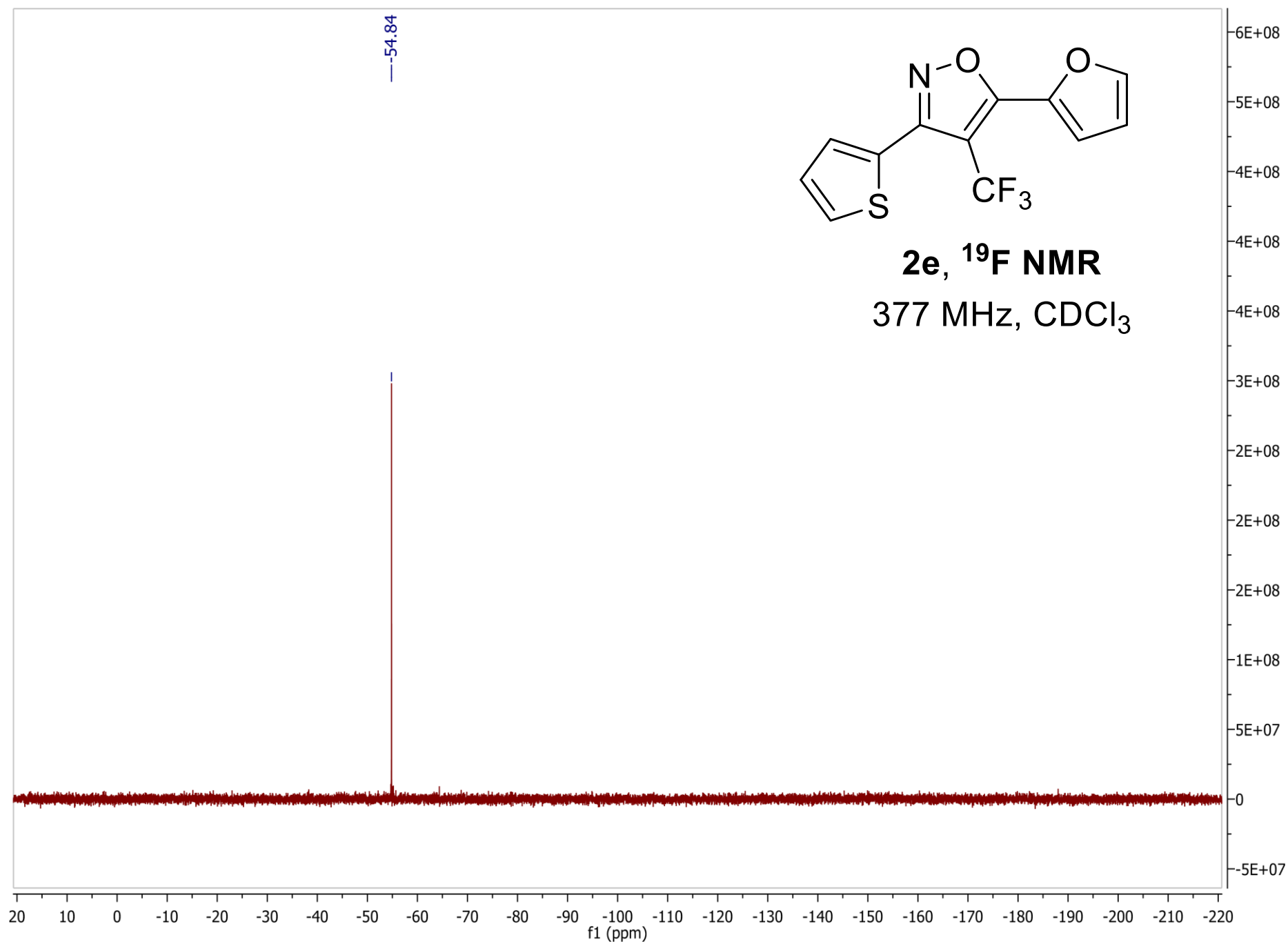


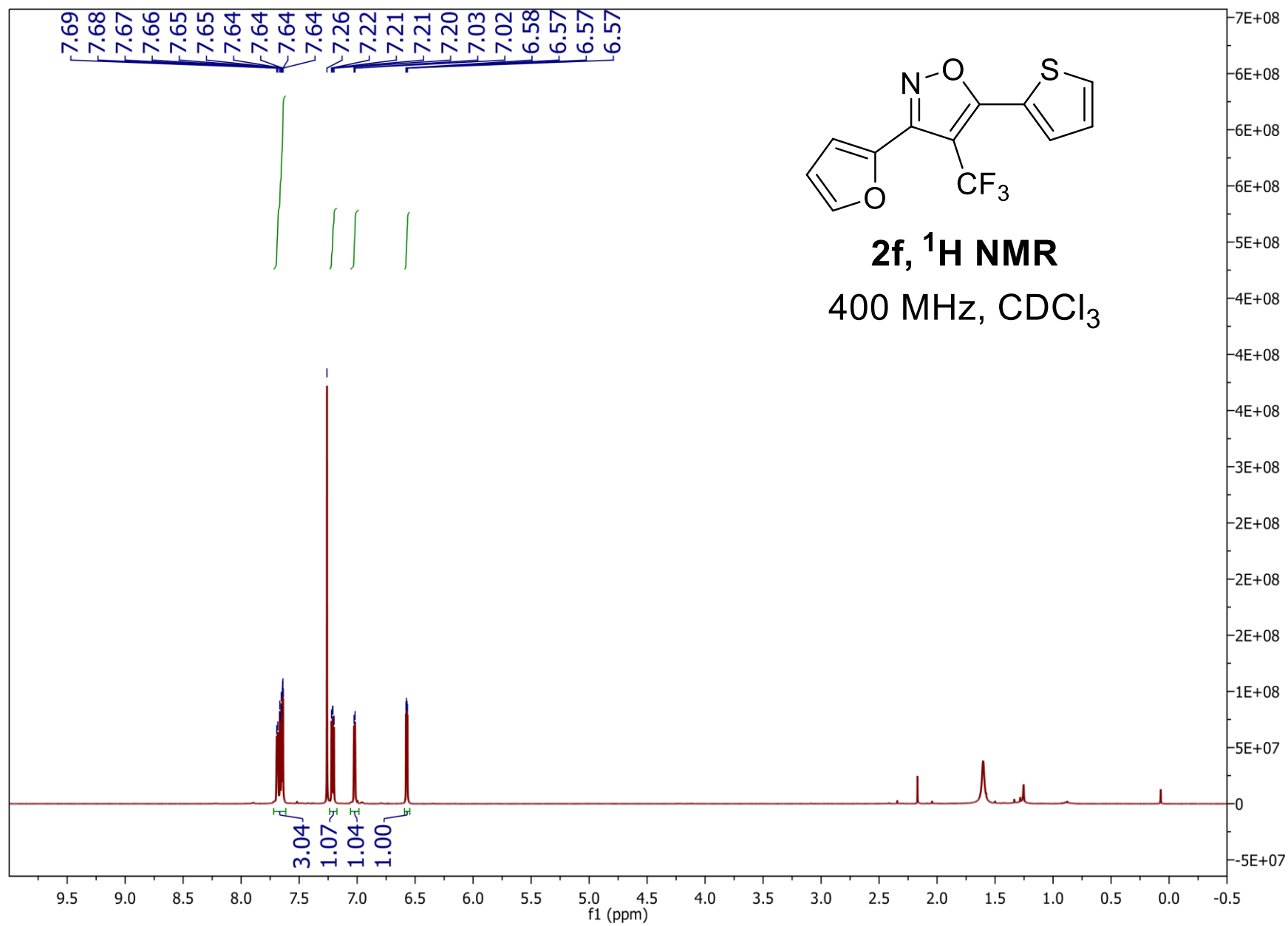


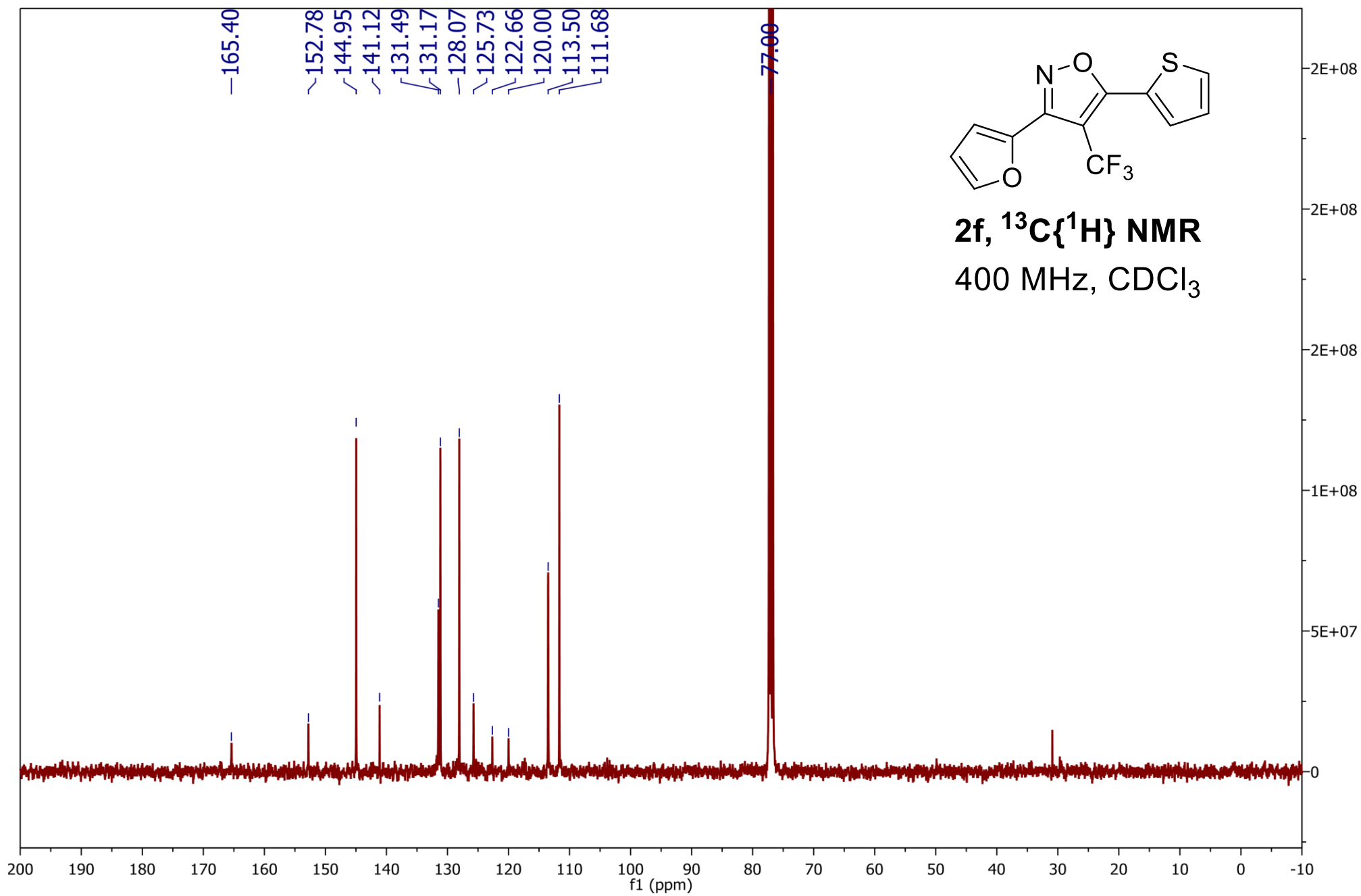


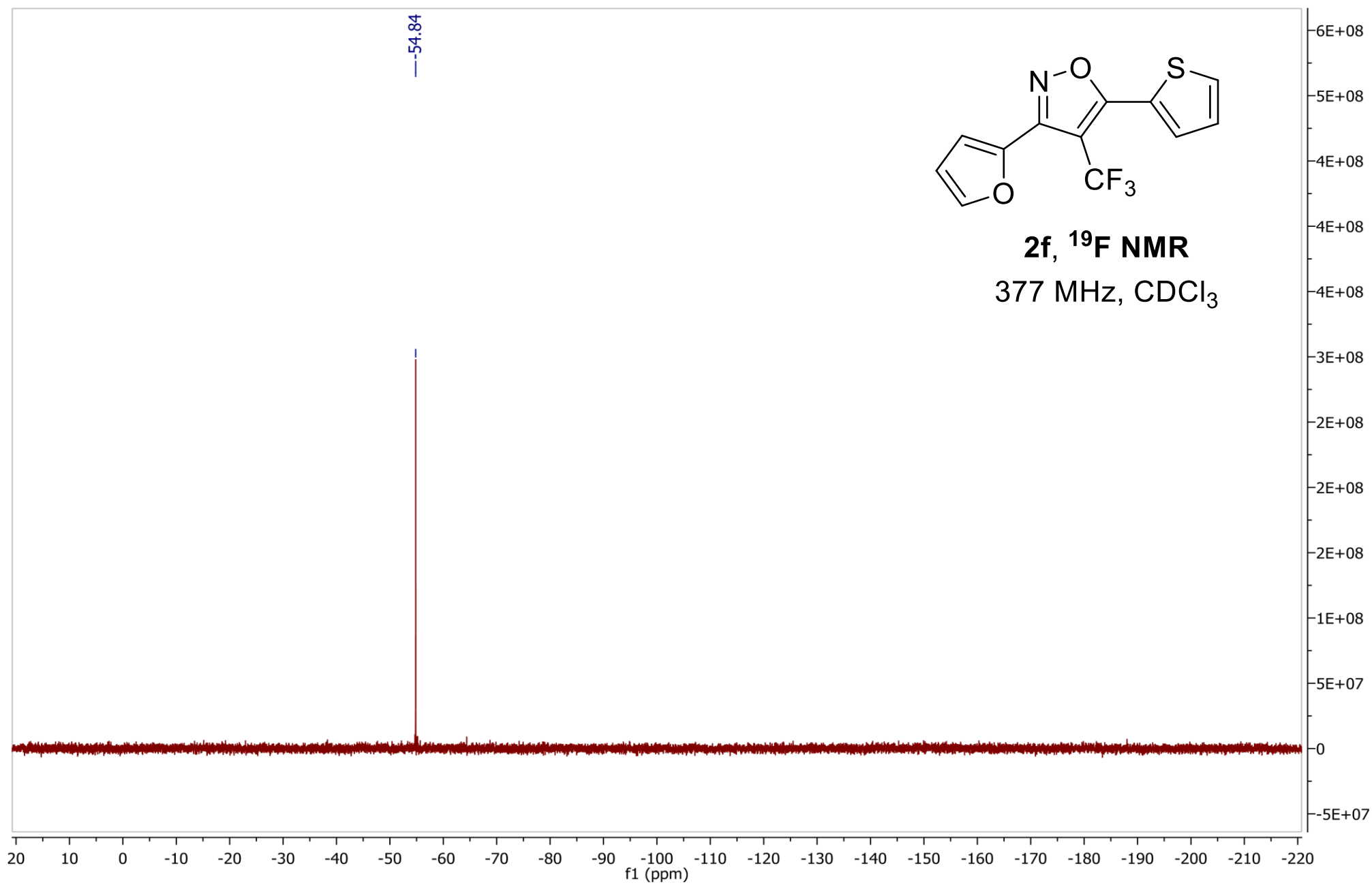


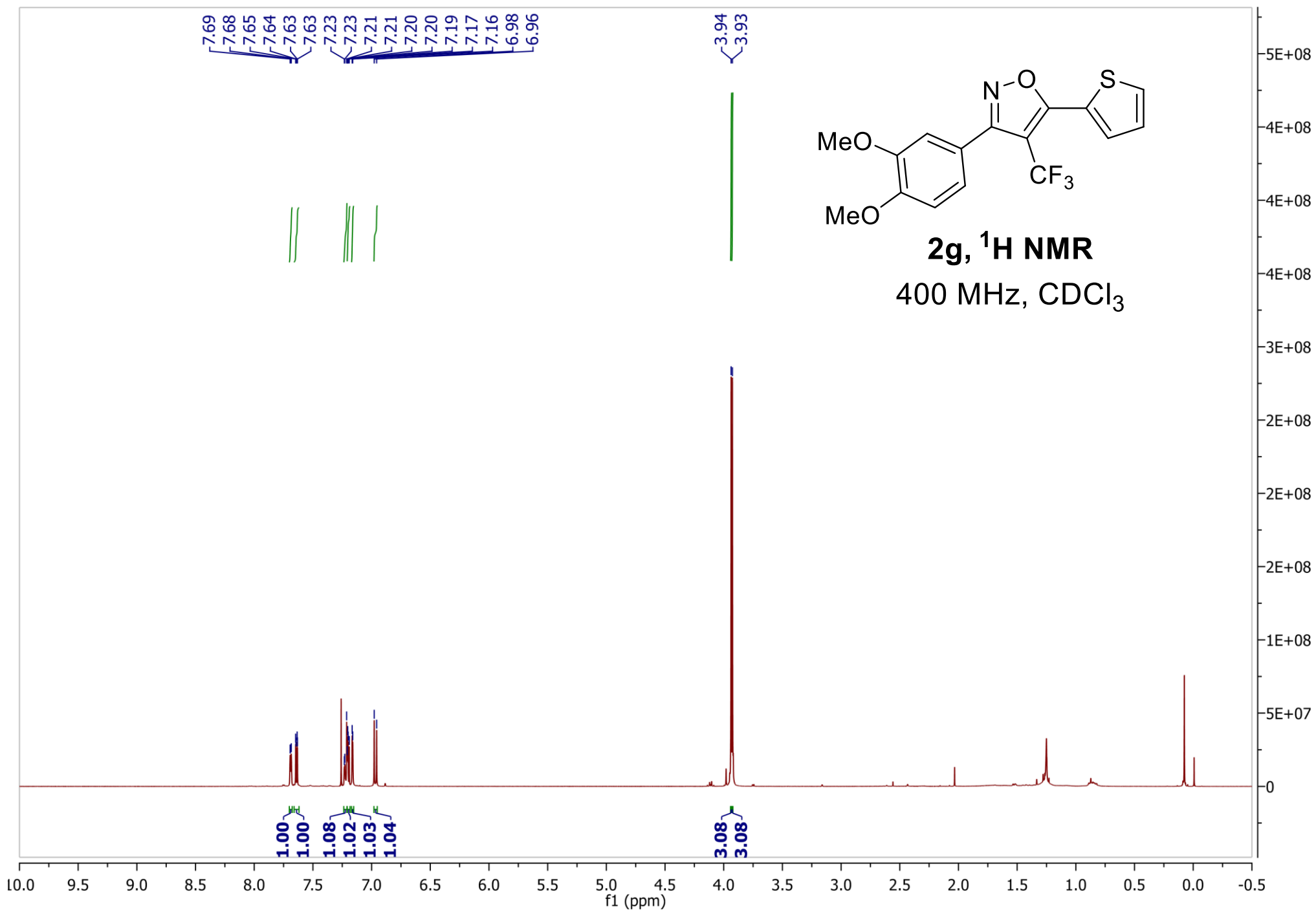


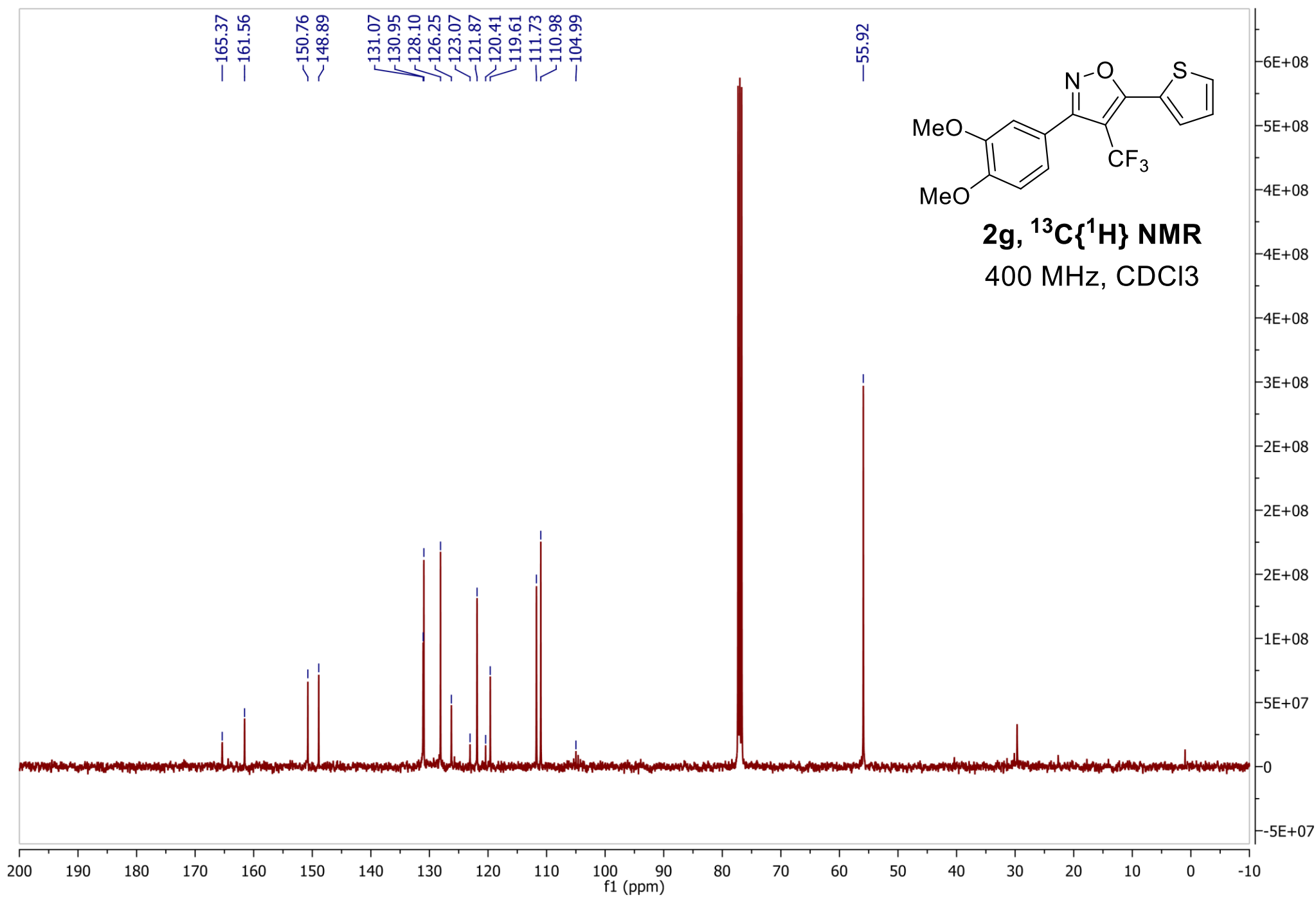


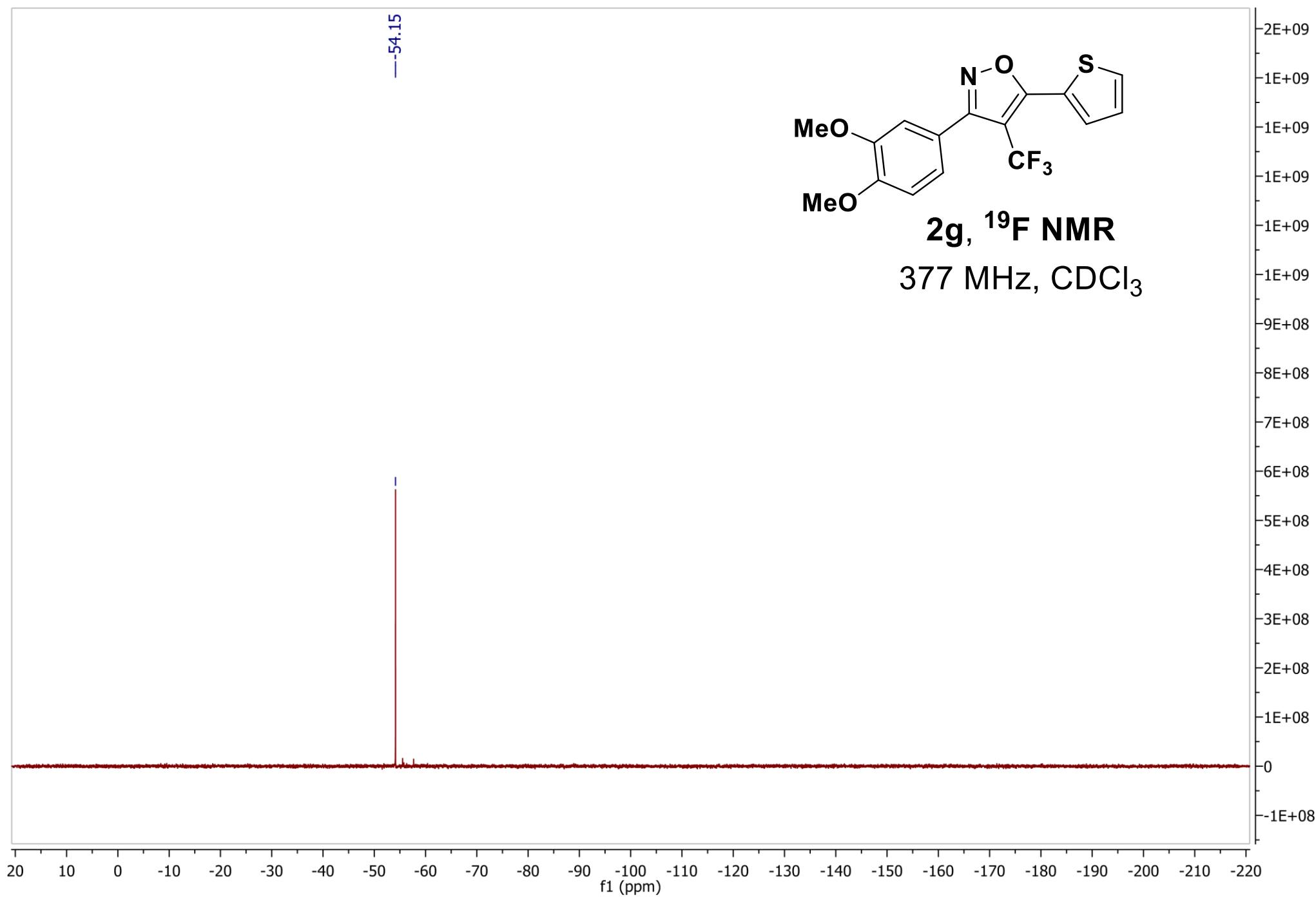


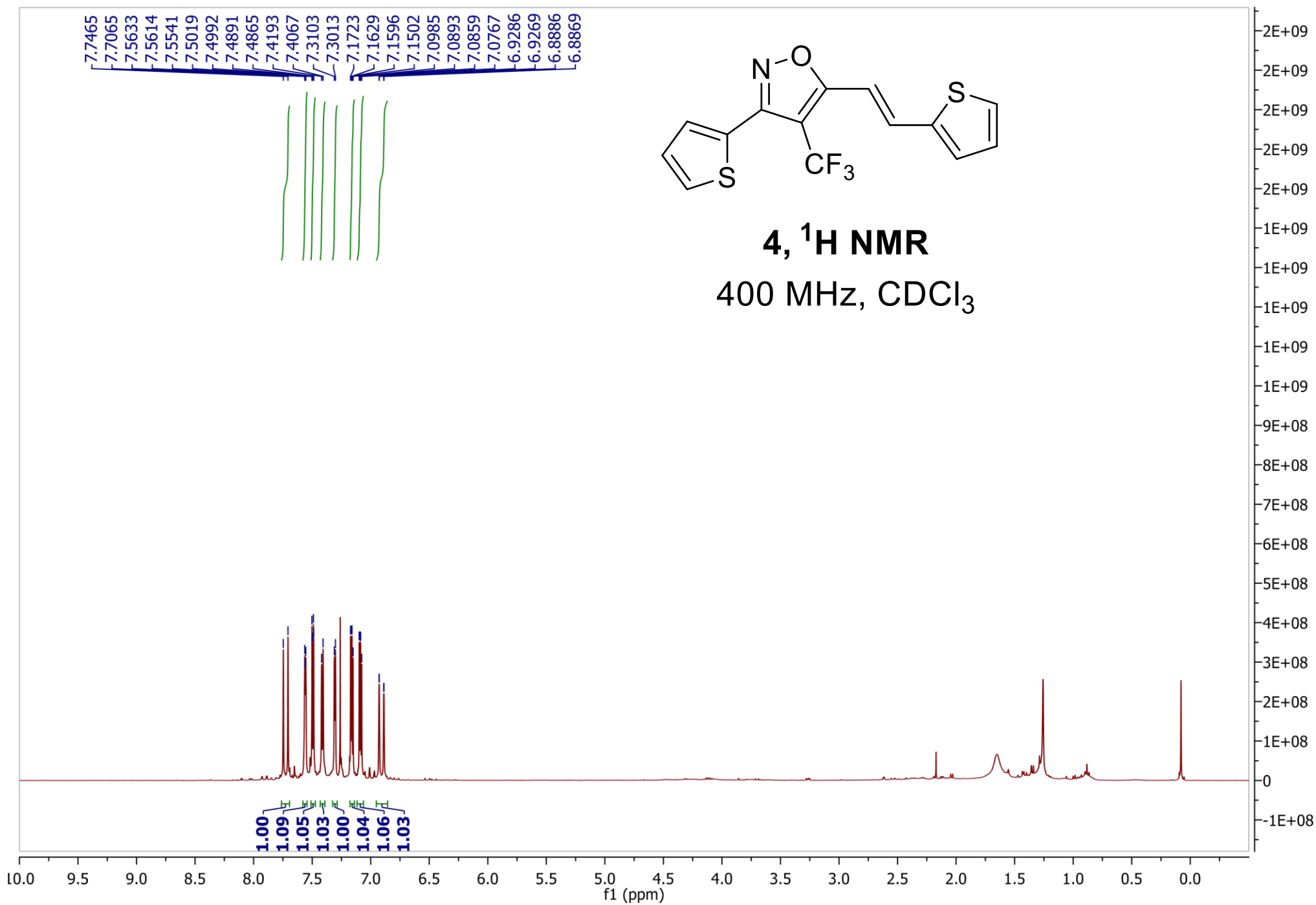


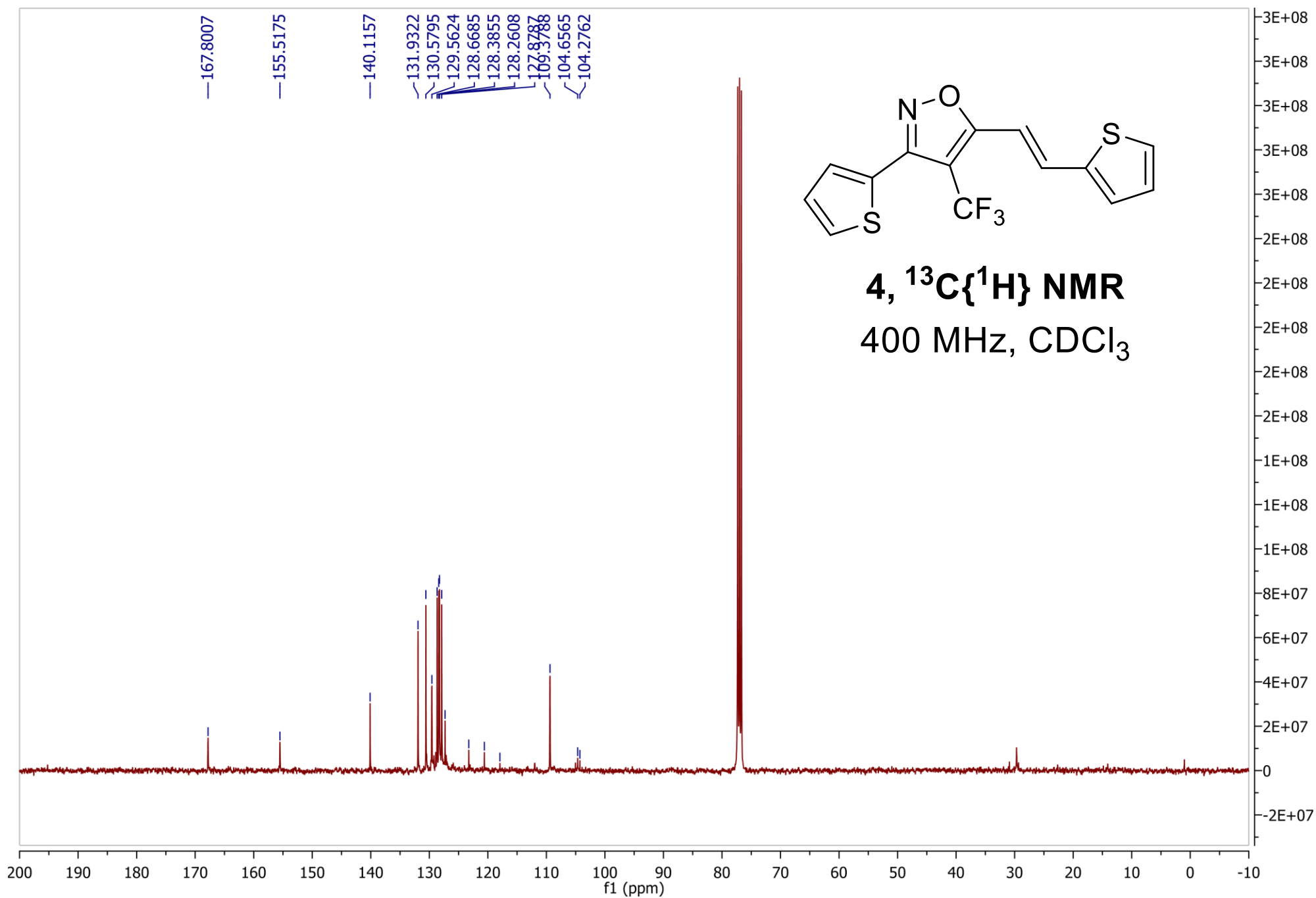


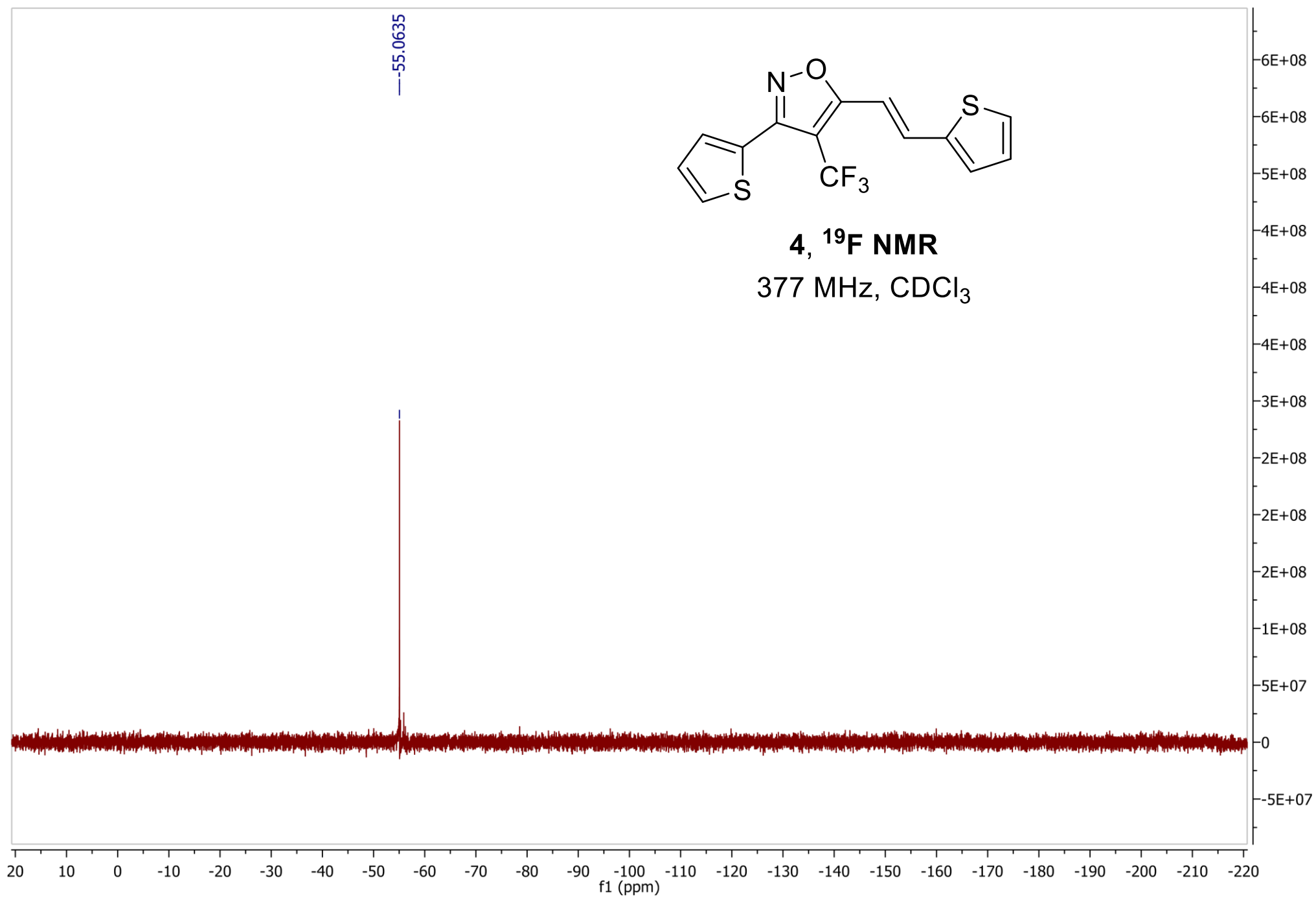


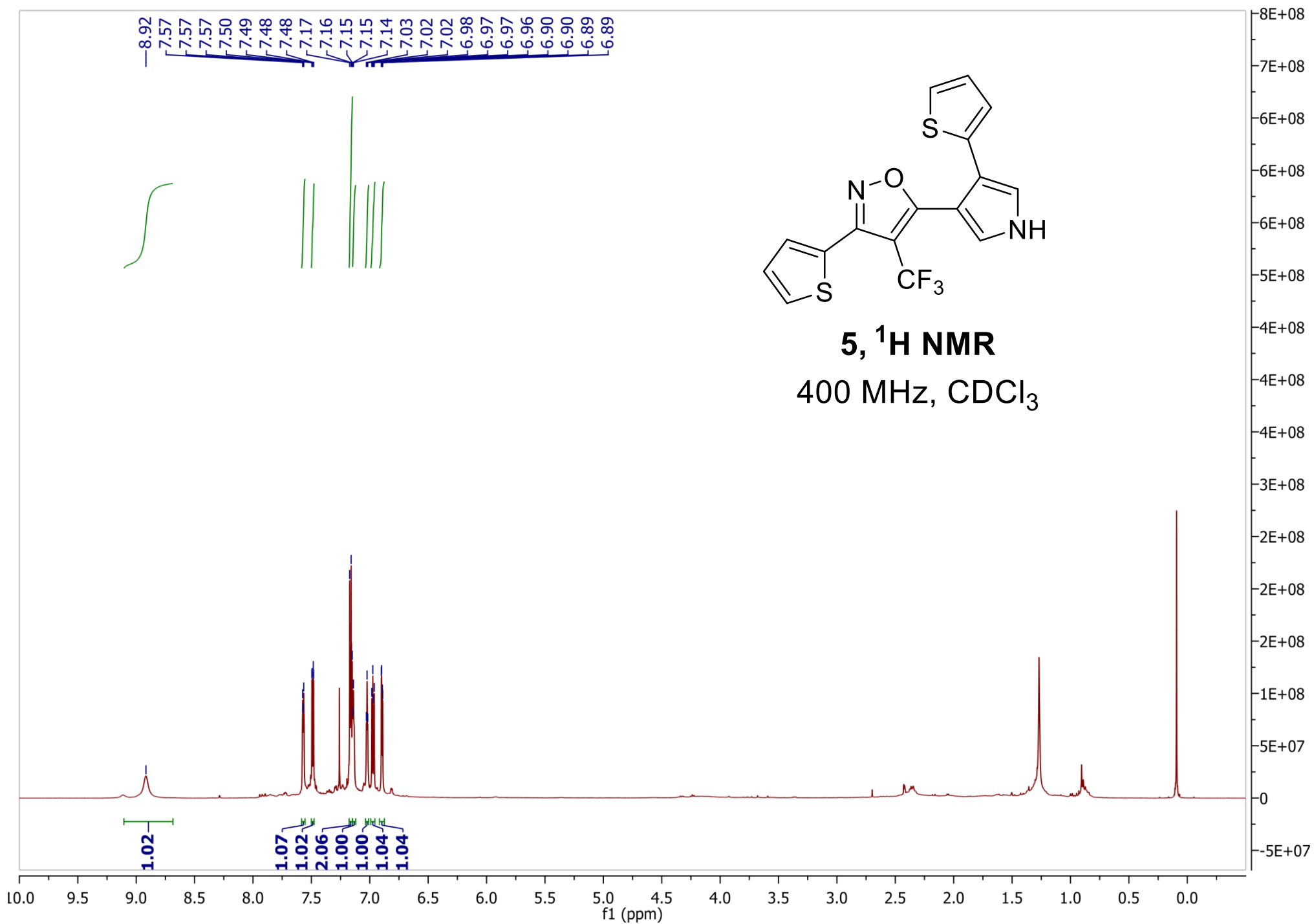


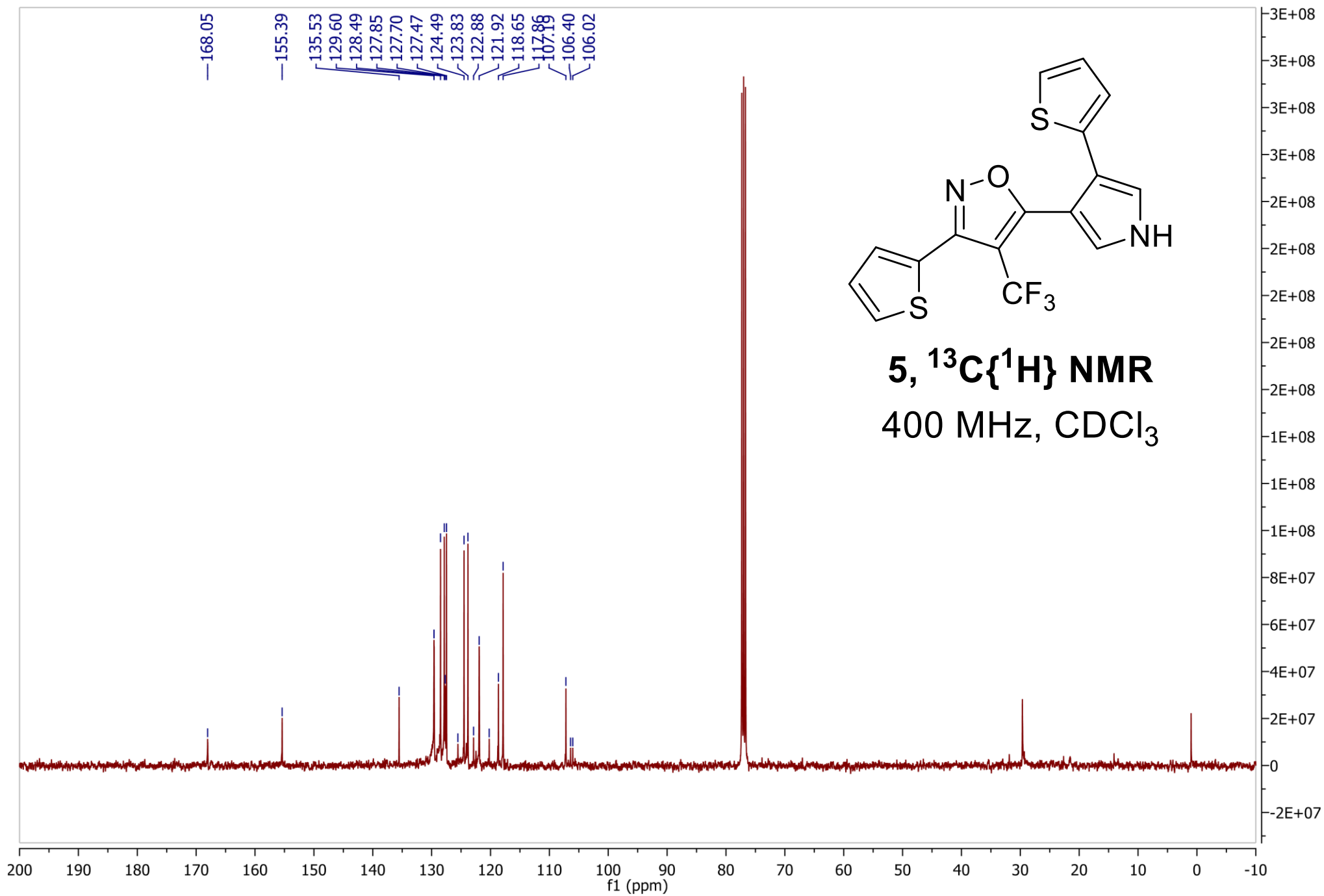


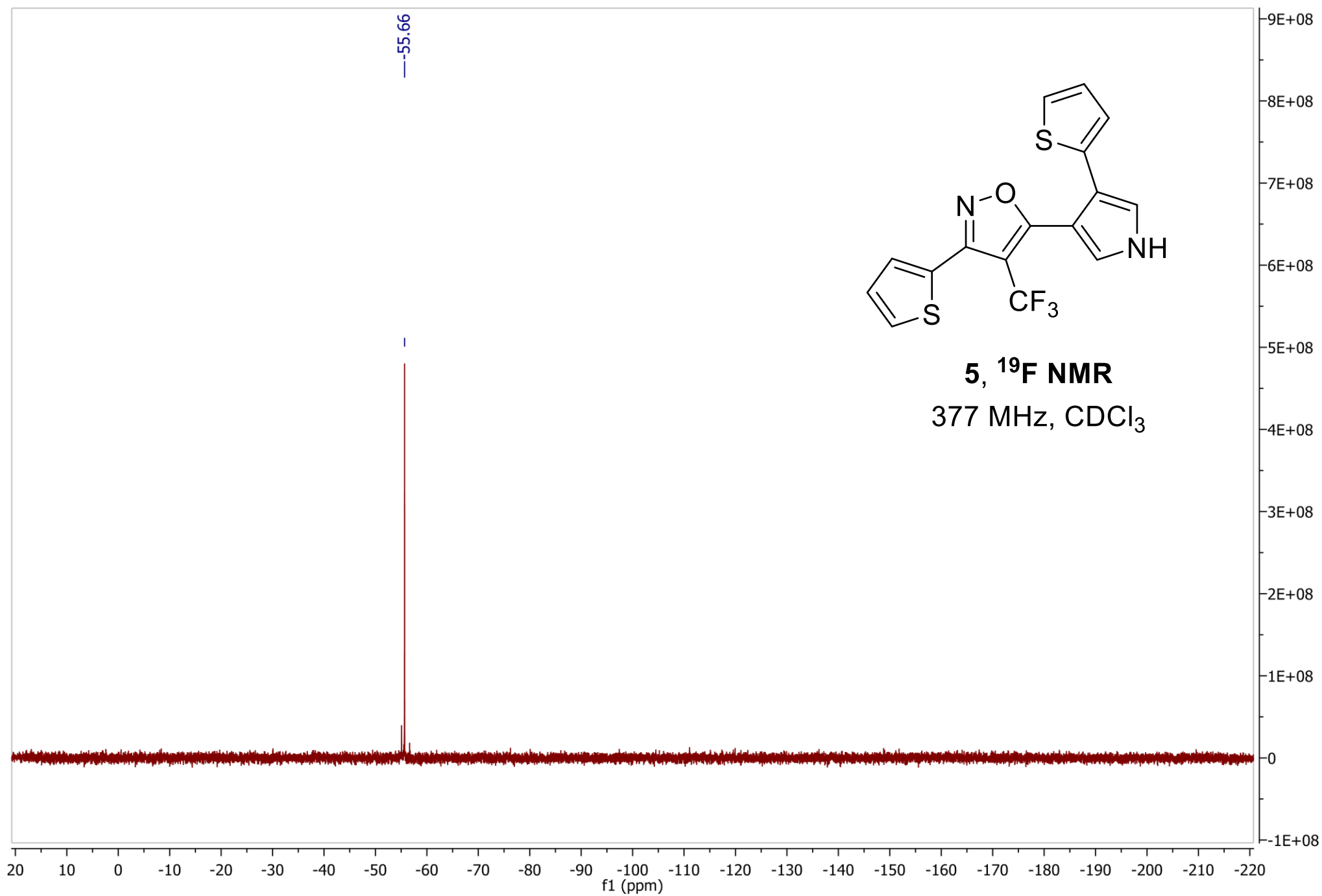


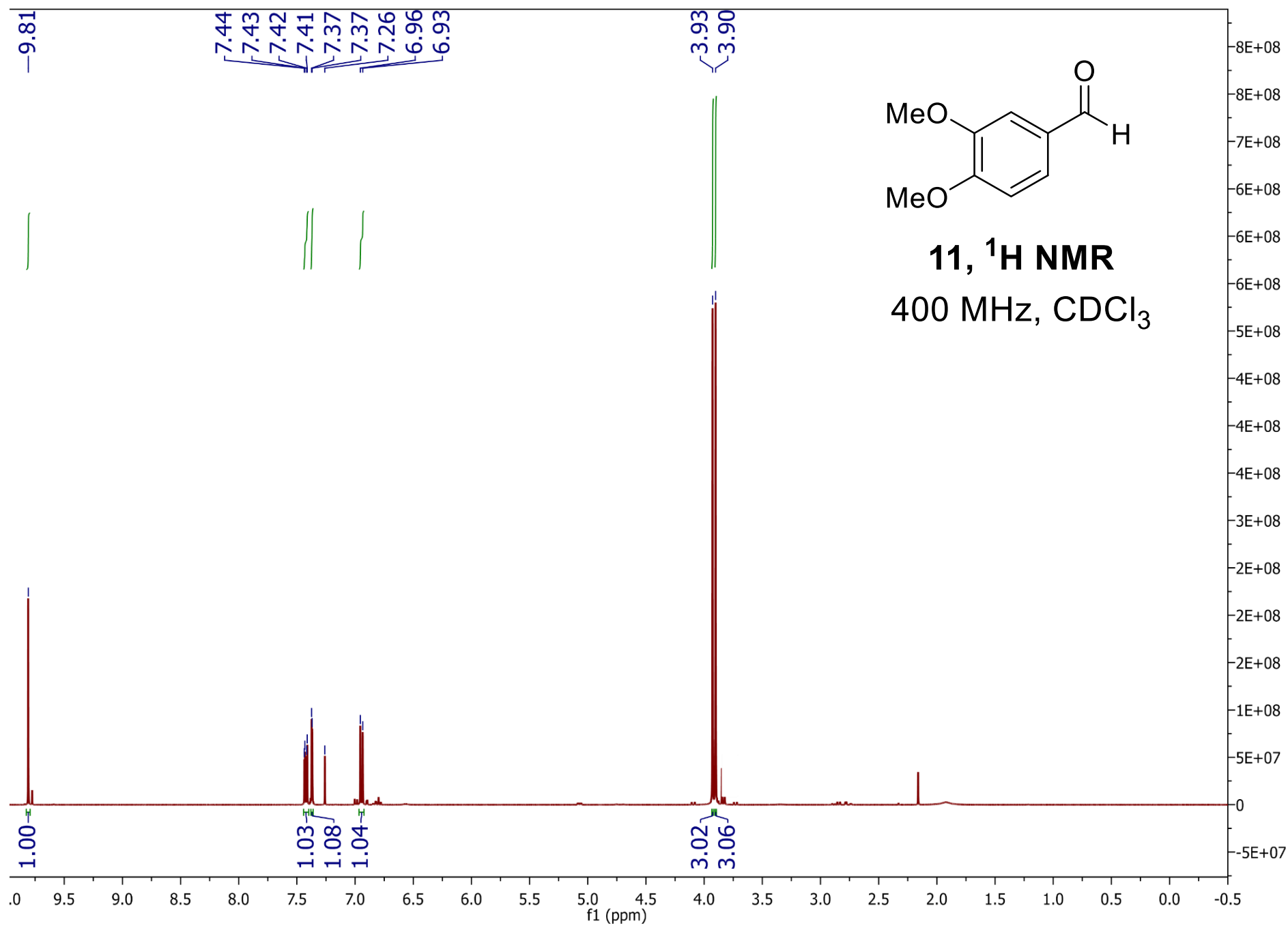


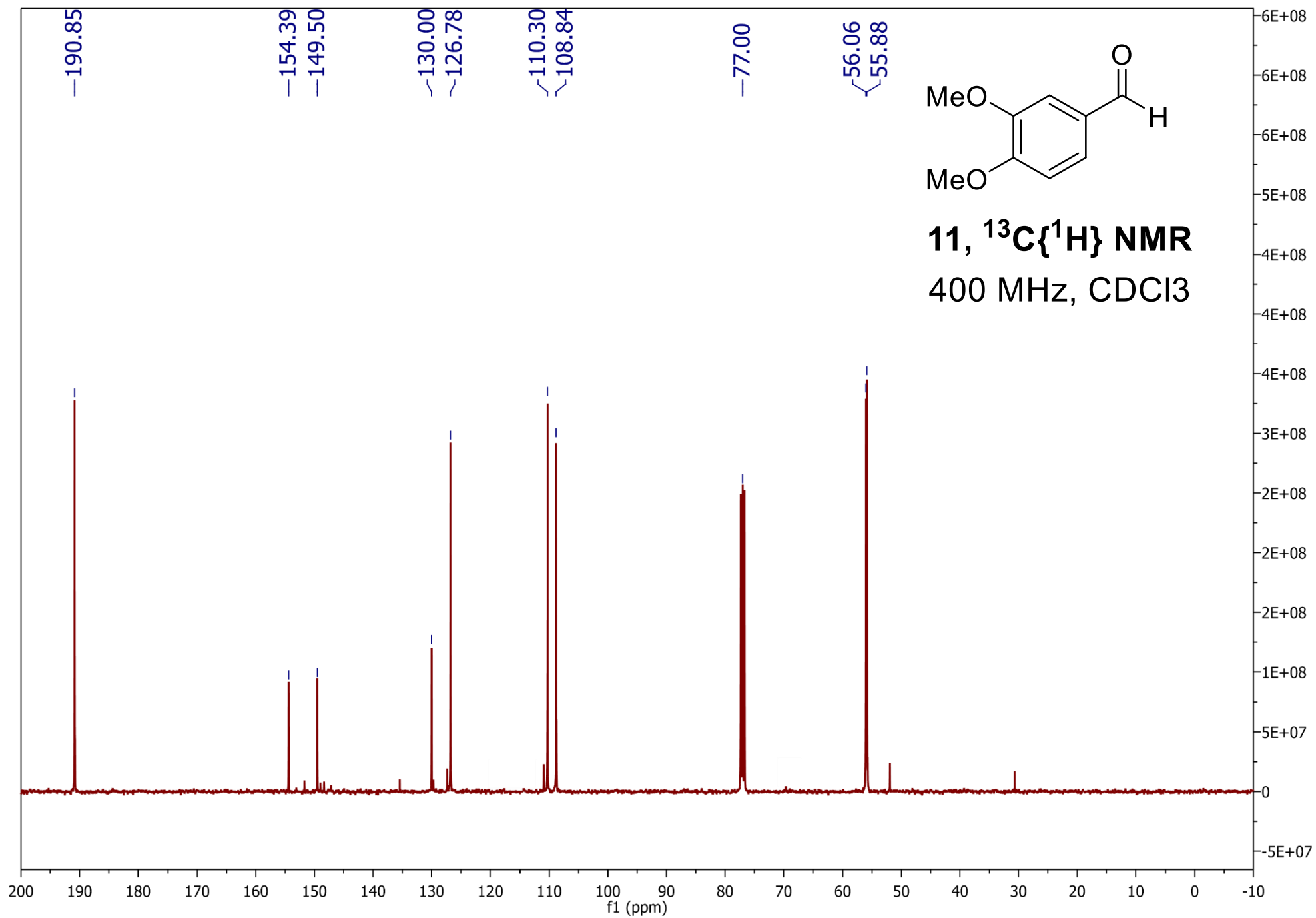


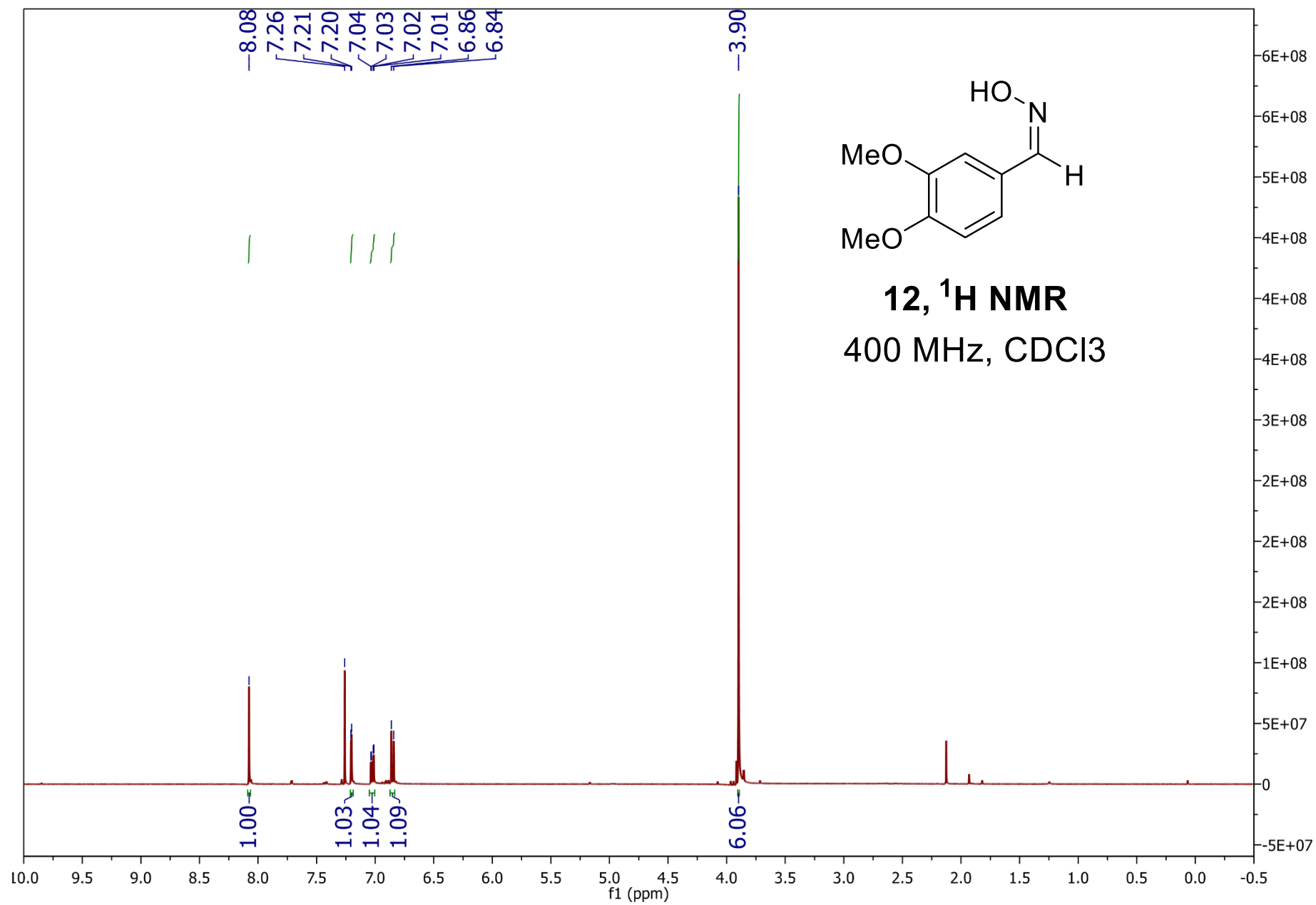


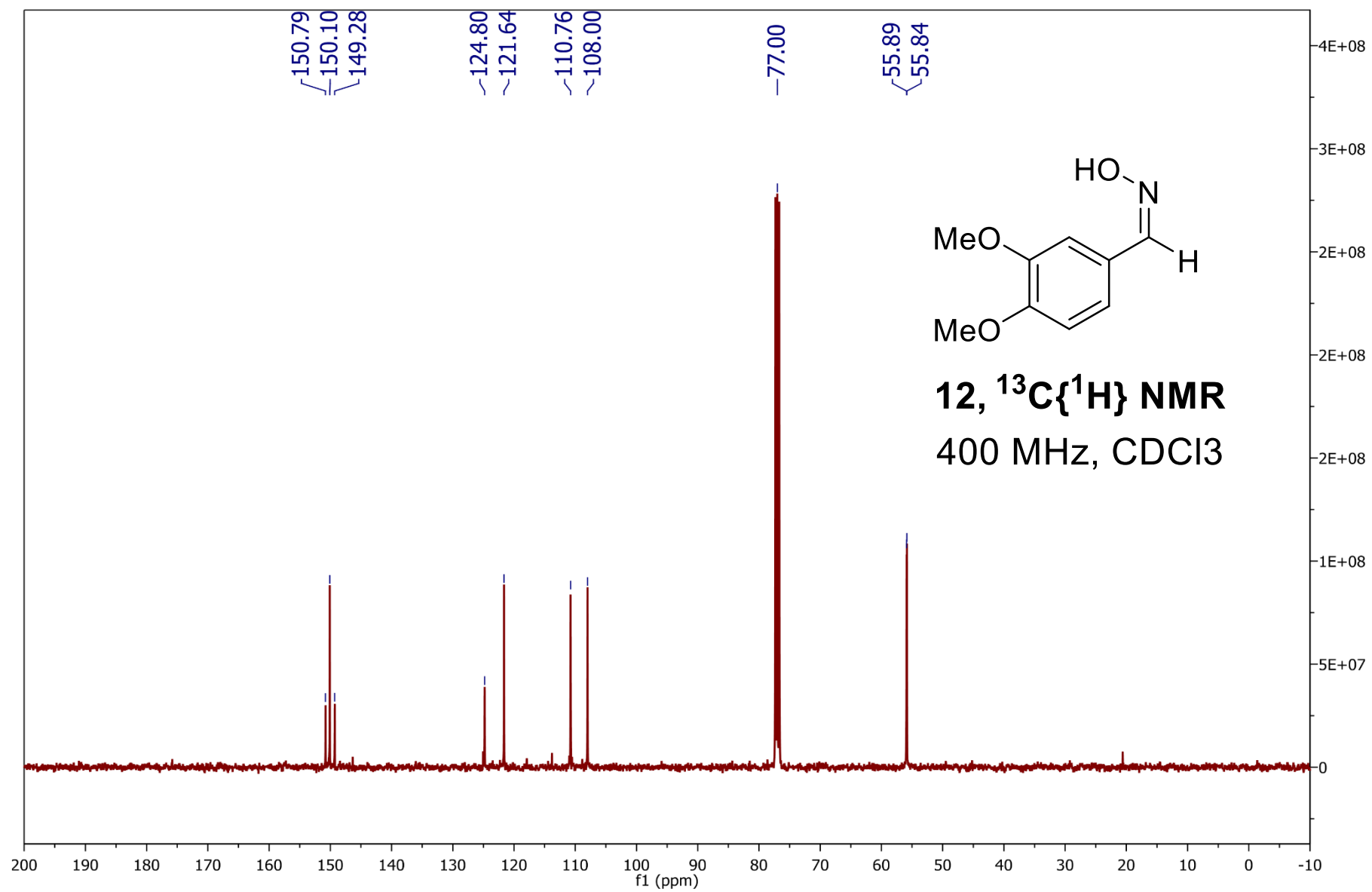


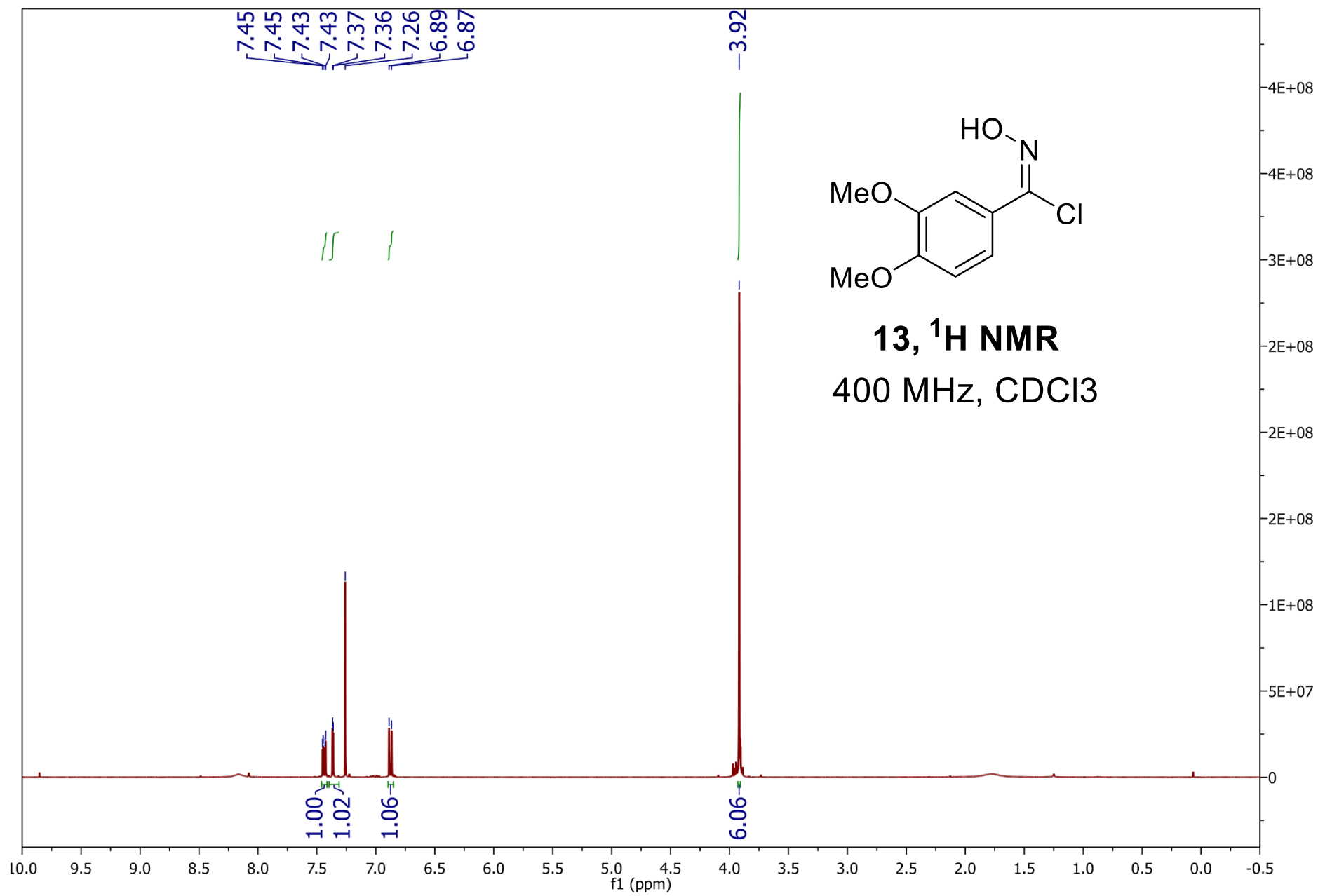


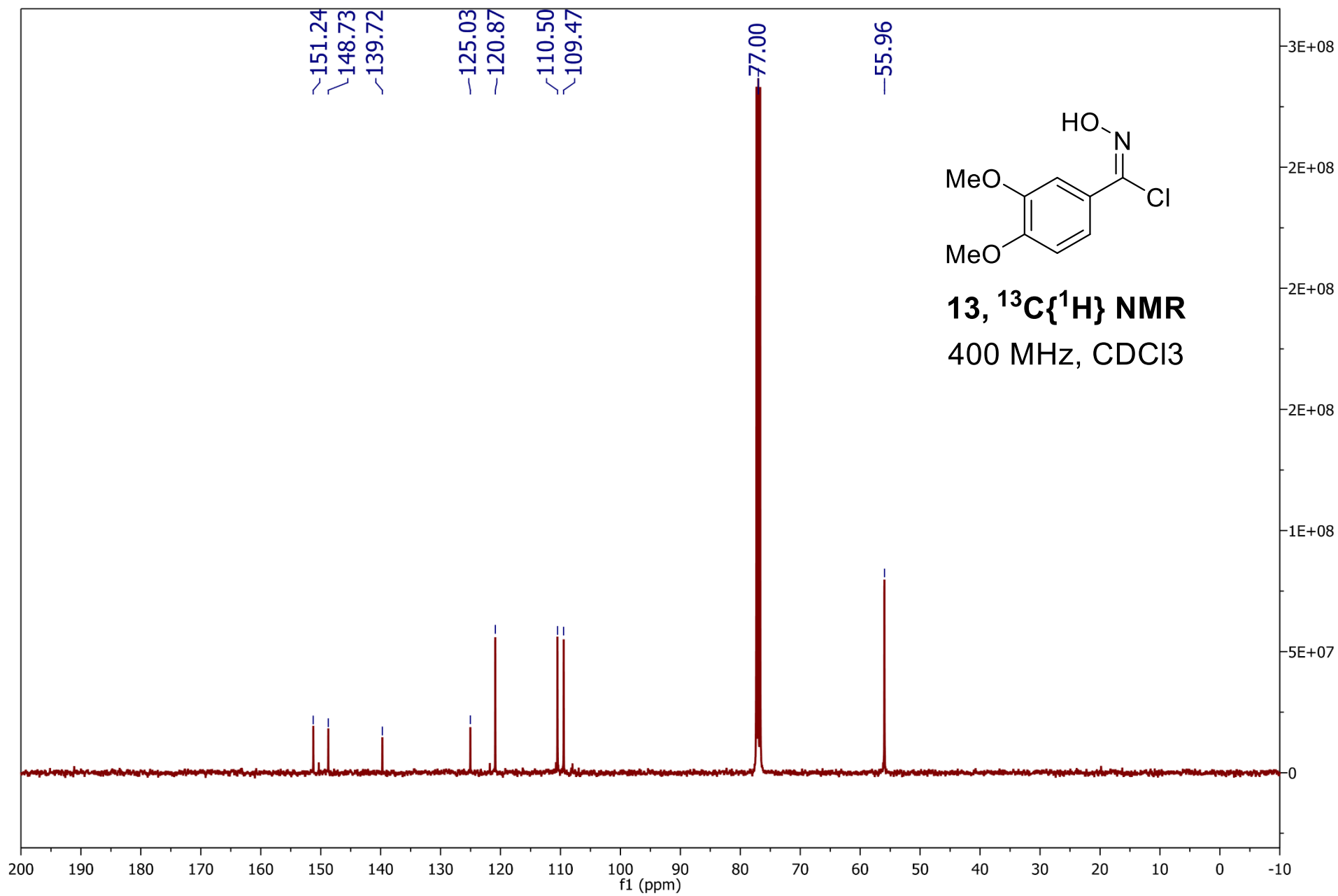


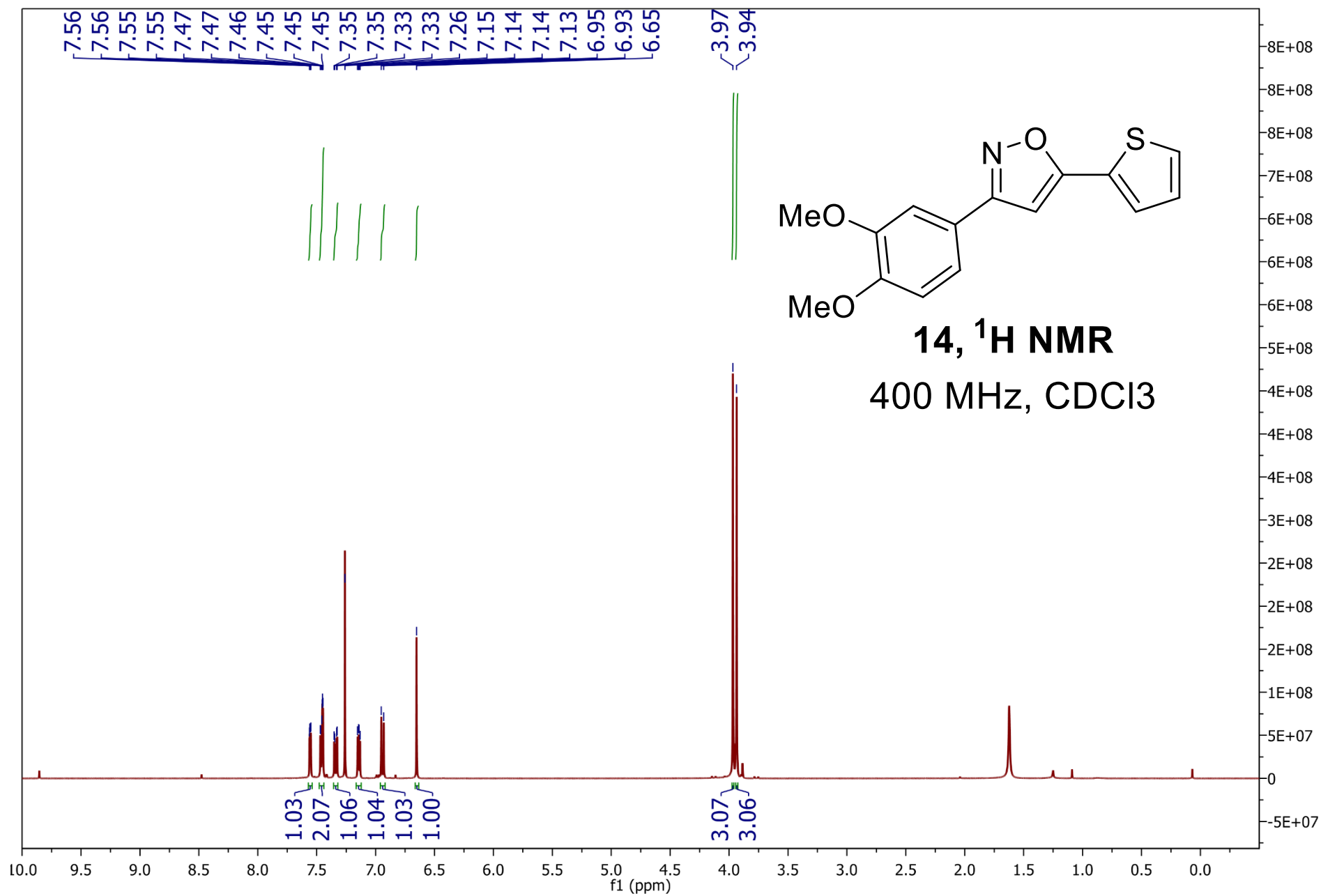


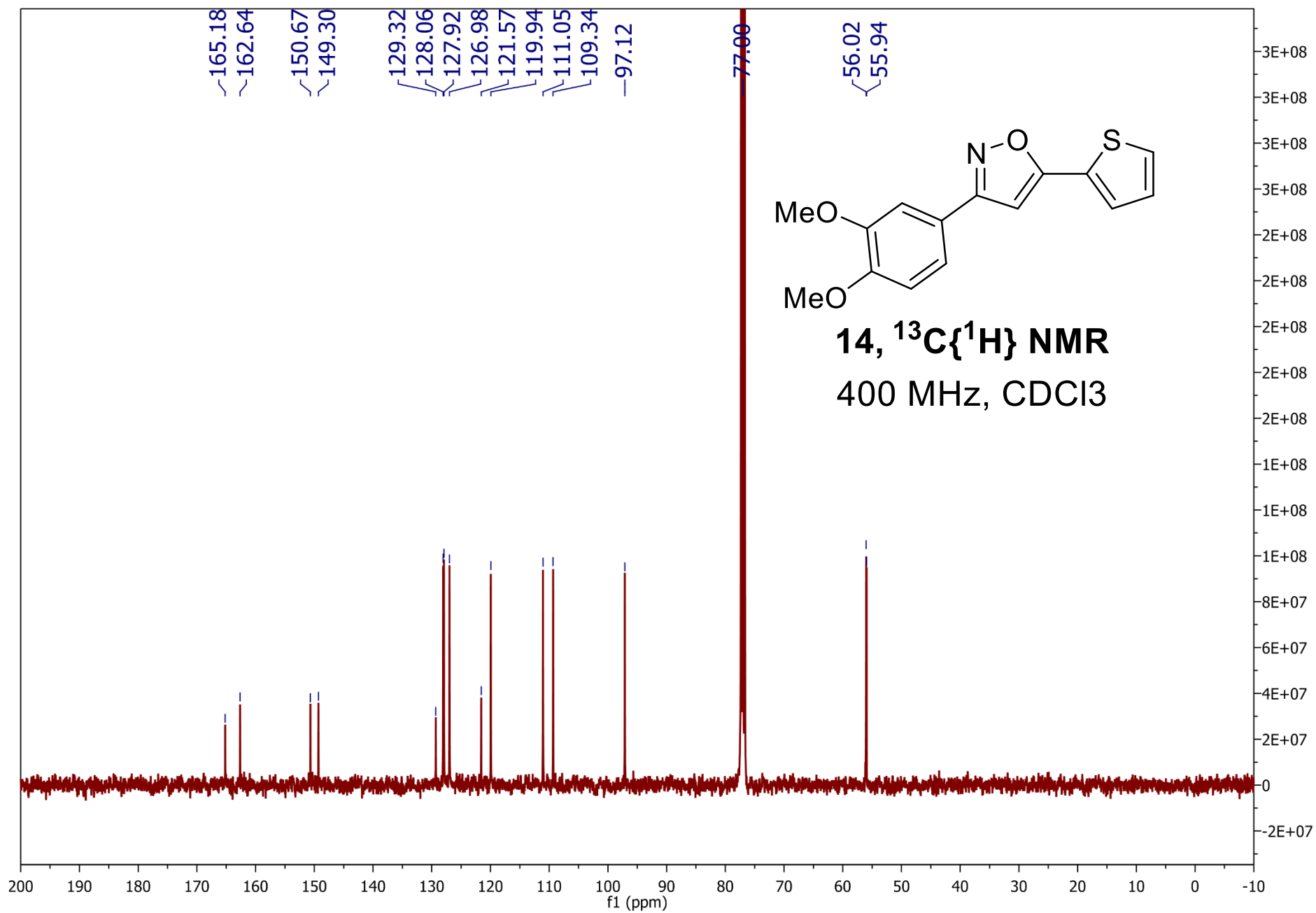






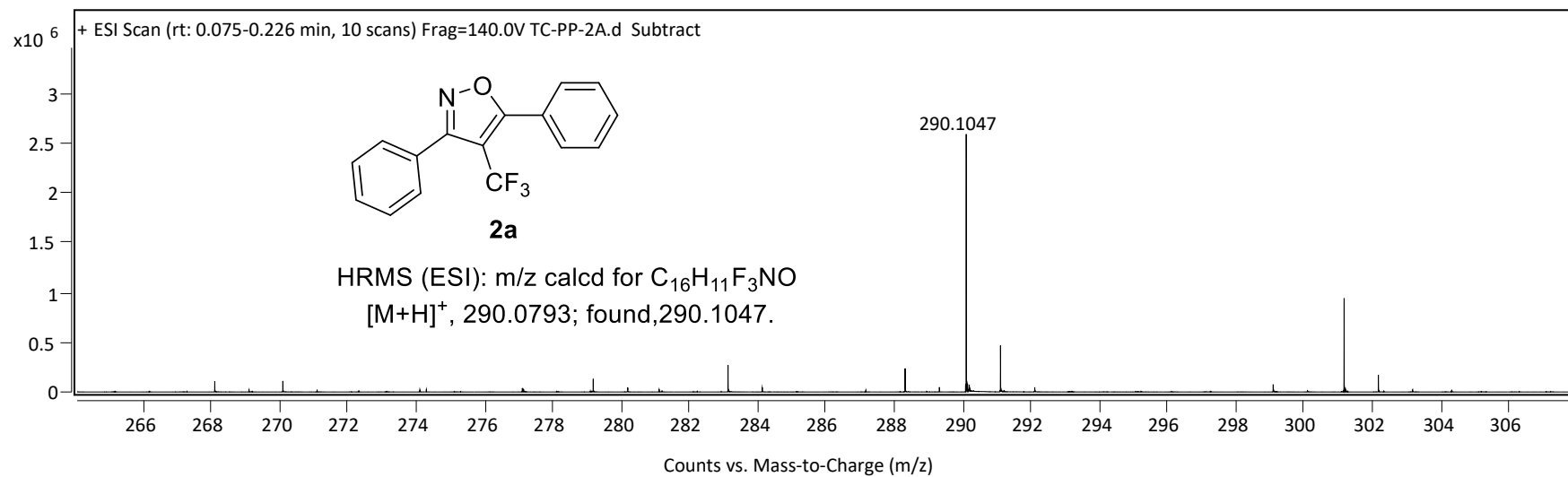




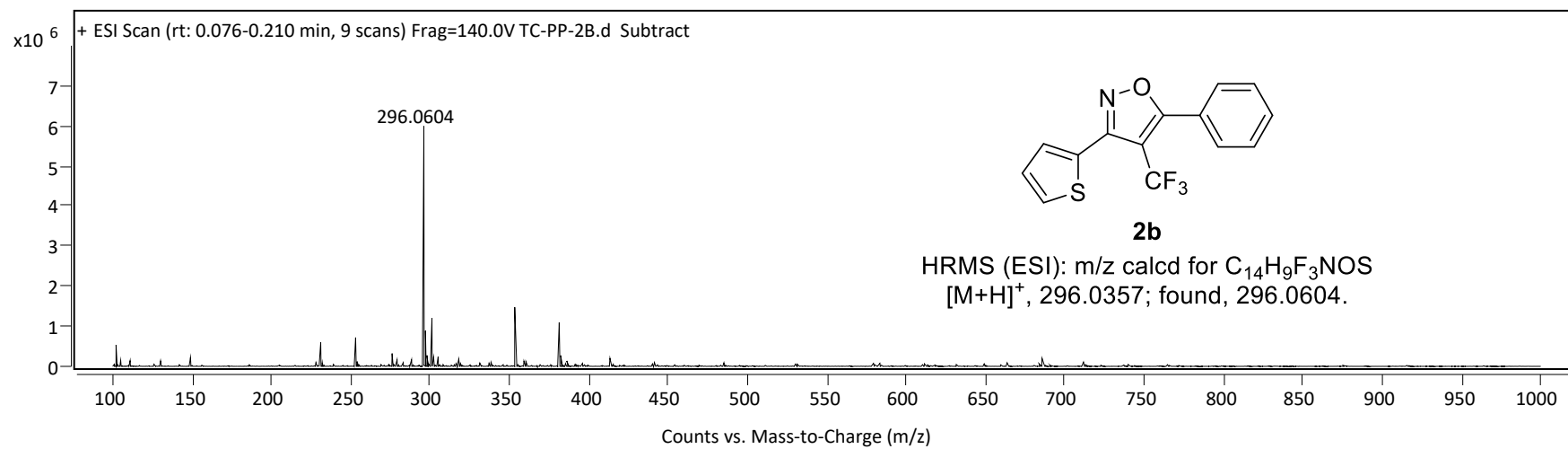


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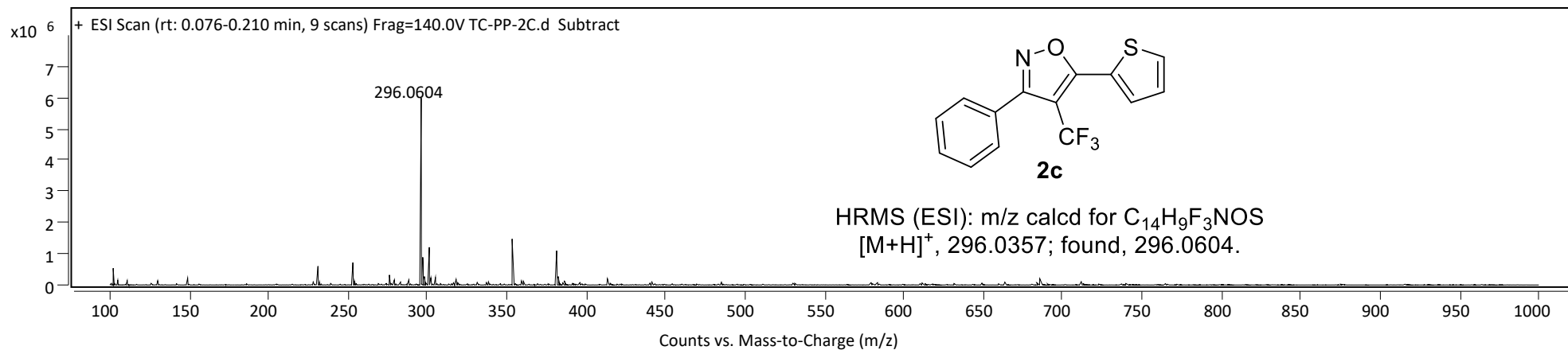
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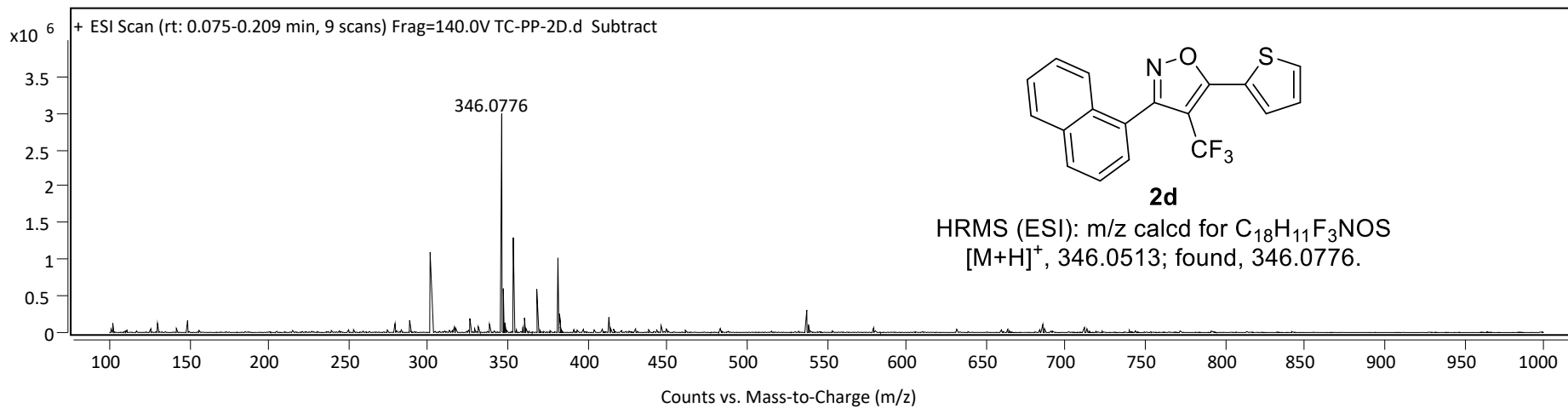
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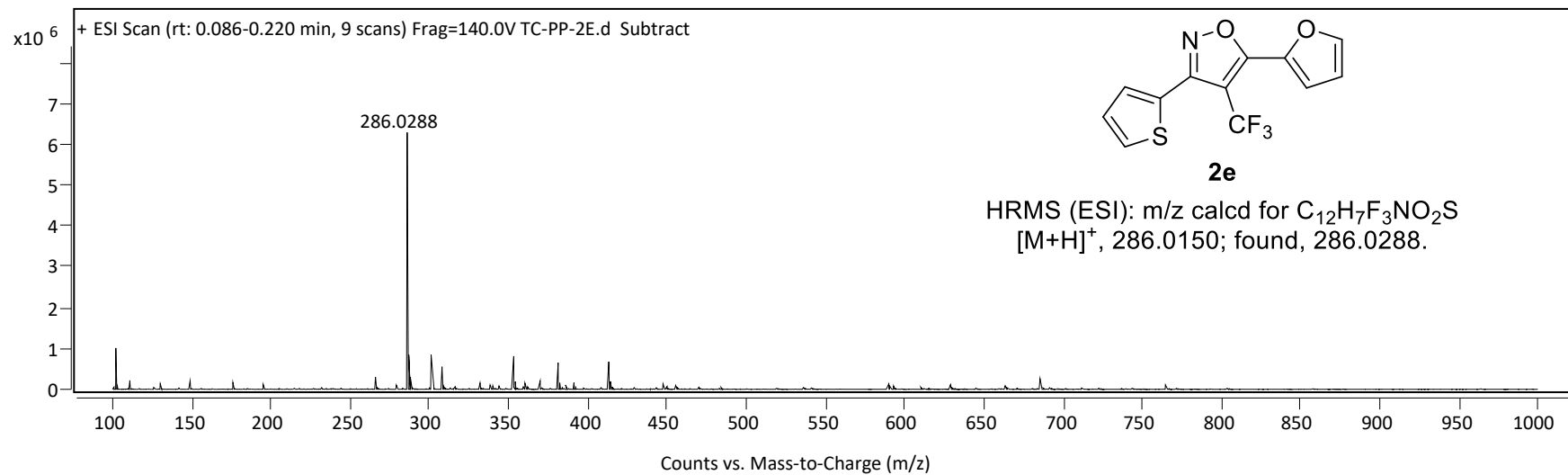
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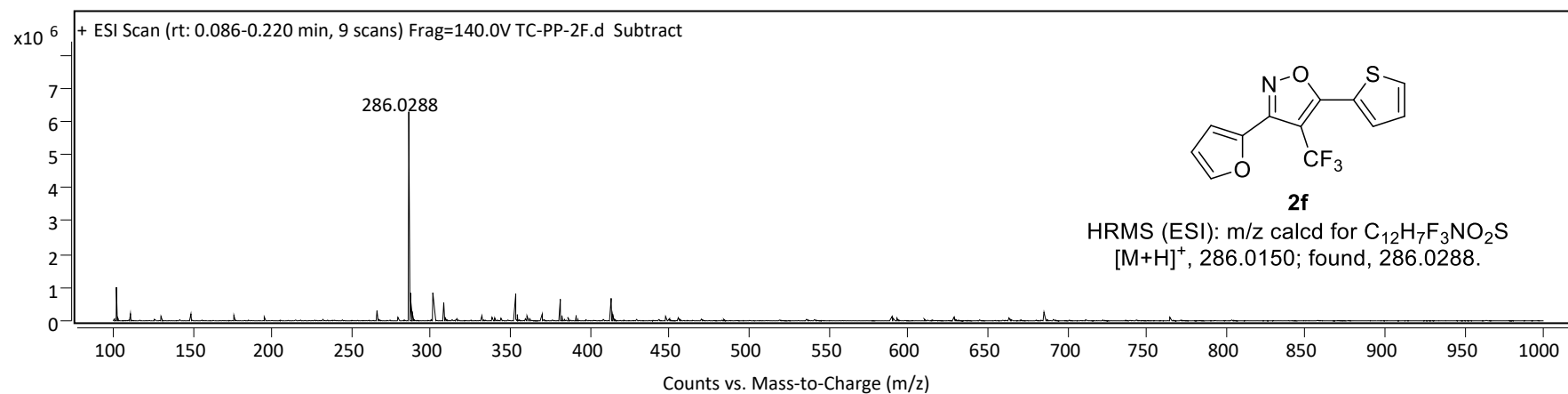
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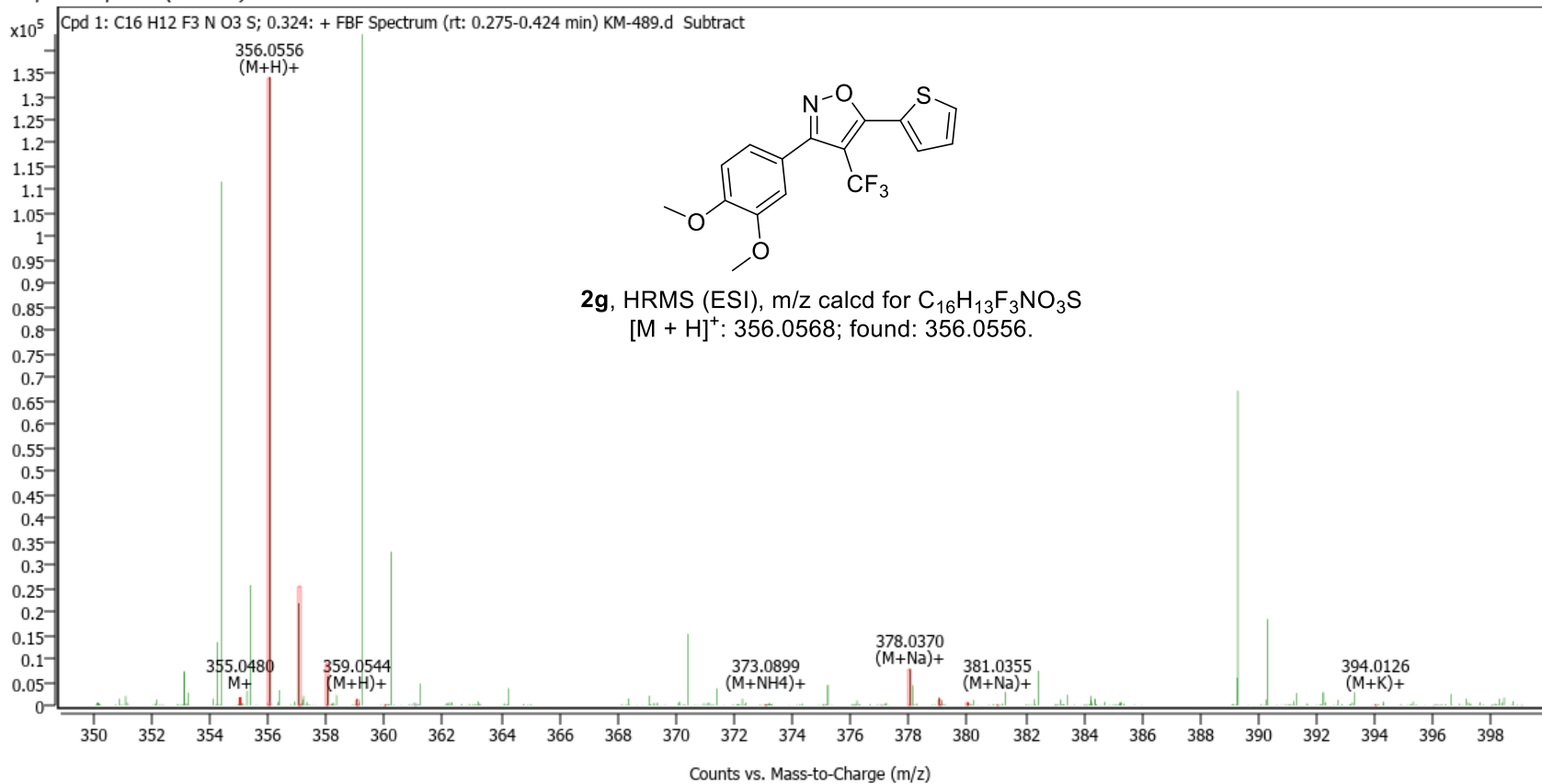
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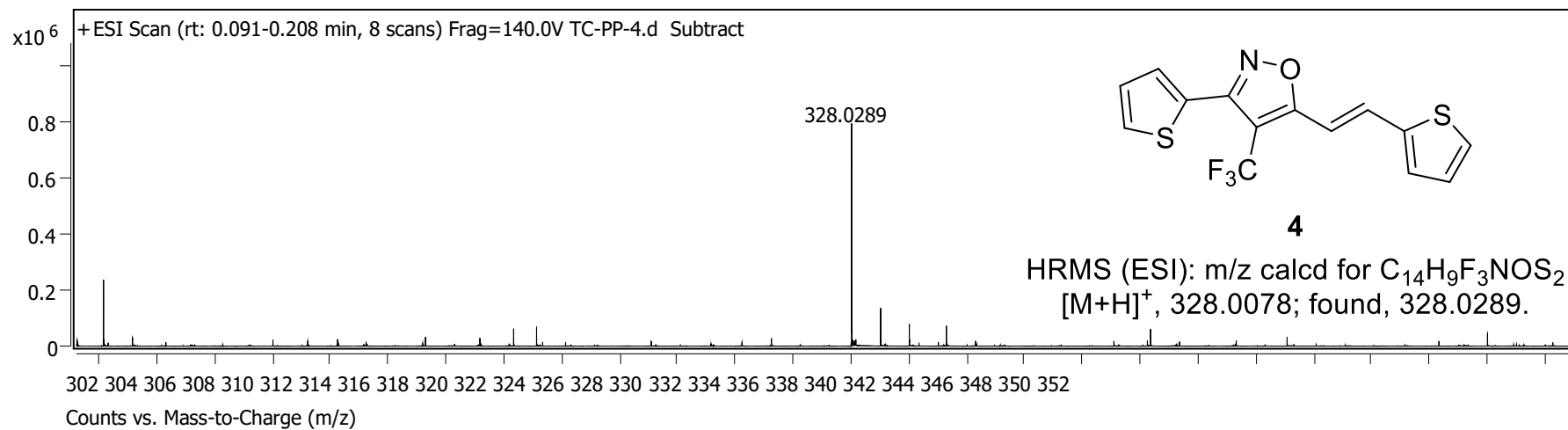
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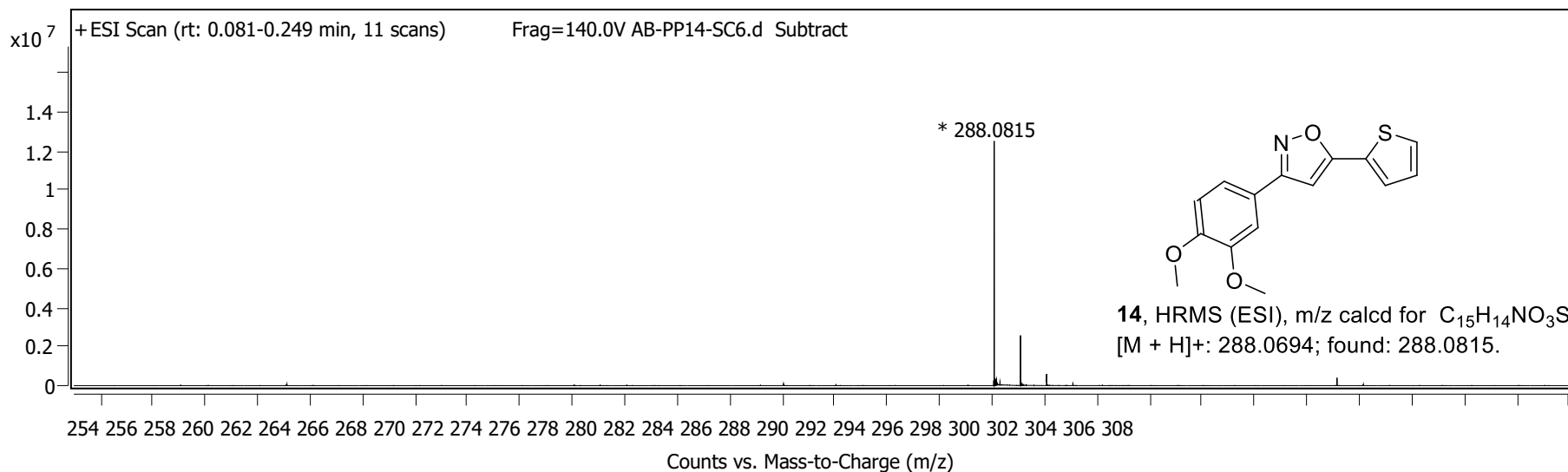
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				356.0556	(M+NH ₄) ⁺		
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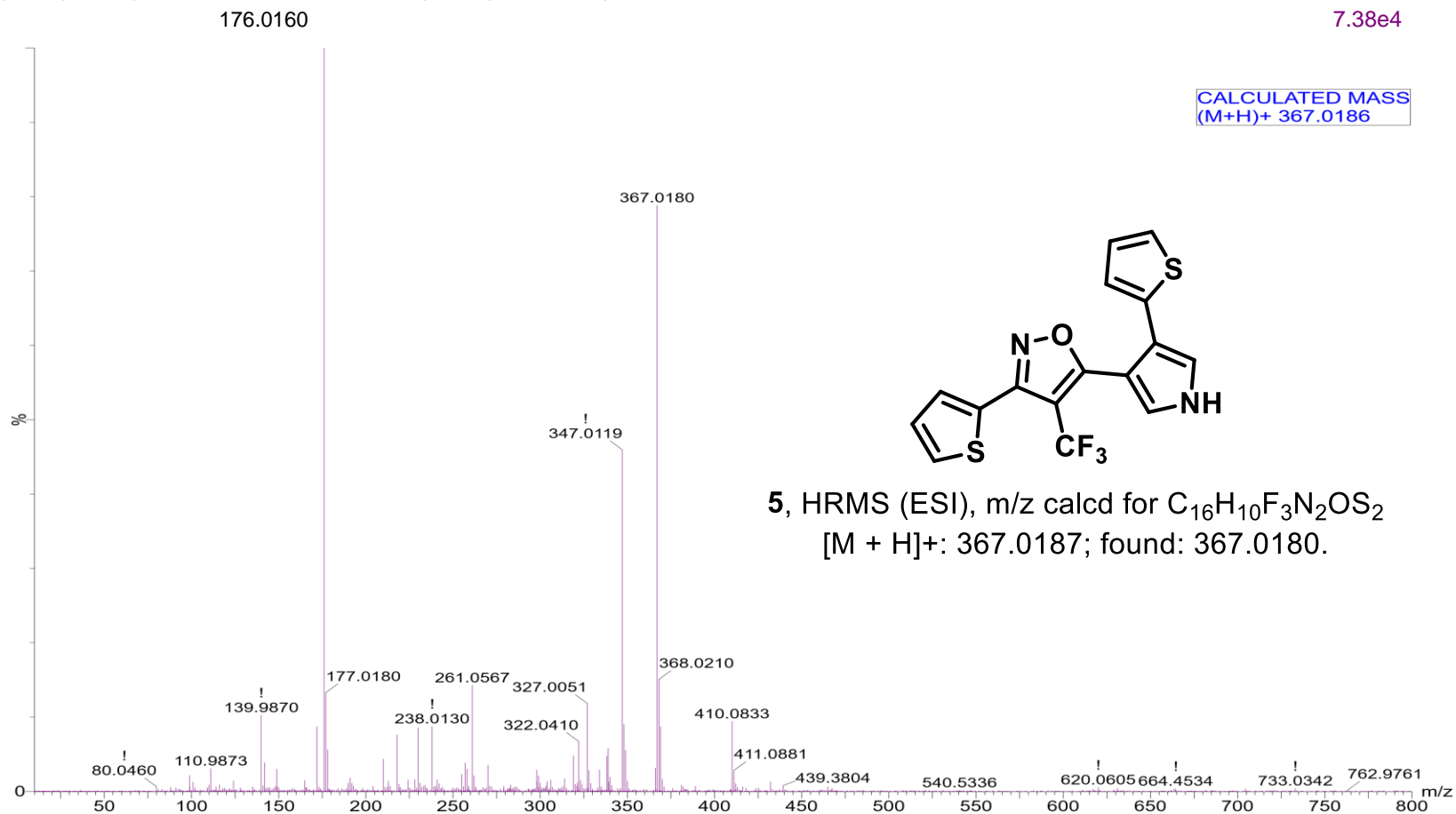


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4. Docking

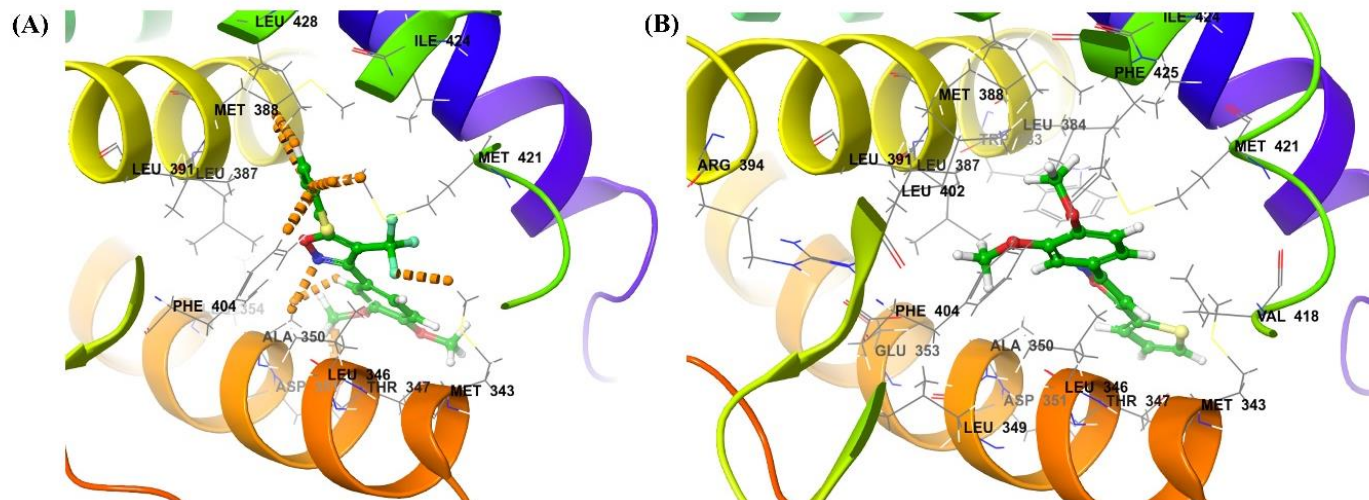


Figure S1. Receptor-ligand docking analysis (3D) of Compounds – (A) **2g**, and (B) **14** with HER α .

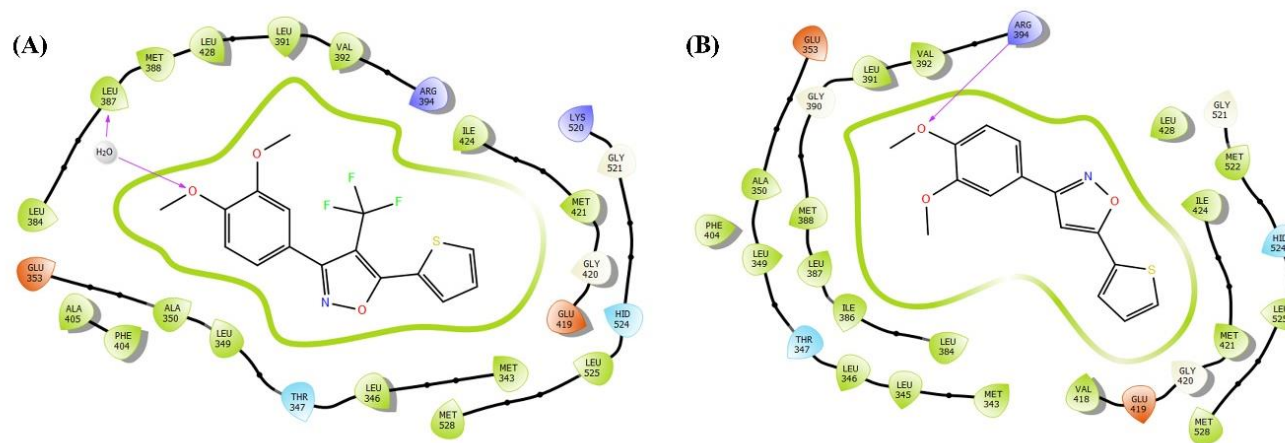


Figure S2. Induced fit docking (2D interaction diagram) of compounds – (A) **2g**, and (B) **14**.

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