

Supporting Information for

Gold-Catalyzed Simultaneous Formation of C–C, C=O, and C–F bonds in the Presence of Selectfluor: A Synthesis of Fluoroindenes from Allene Esters

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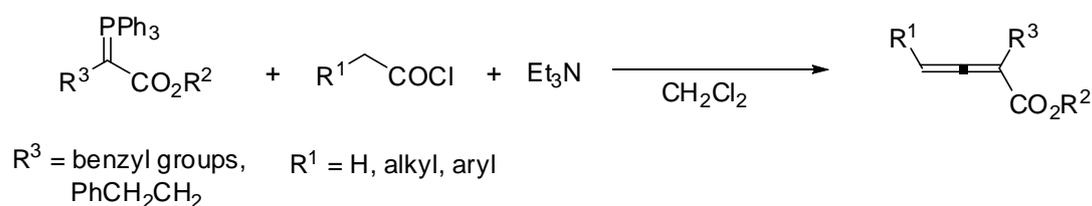
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1. General Information: Melting points are uncorrected. The ^1H NMR and ^{13}C NMR spectra were recorded at 25 °C in CDCl_3 or $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ at 500 MHz and 125 MHz, respectively, with TMS as the internal standard. Chemical shifts (δ) are expressed in ppm and coupling constants J are given in Hz. The IR spectra were recorded on an FT-IR spectrometer. GC-MS experiments were performed with EI source, LC-MS experiments were performed with ESI source, and high resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were obtained on a TOF MS instrument with ESI or EI source.

2. The experimental procedures for the synthesis of 1a–1x



SCHEME S1

2,3-Allenoates **1a–1x** were synthesized according to the literature procedure (Scheme S1).¹ General procedure: A solution of (carbethoxymethylene)triphenylphosphorane (1.7 g, 5 mmol) and the benzyl bromide (5.5 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (13 mL) was heated under reflux for 4-7 days. The mixture was concentrated and the crude oily foam was co-evaporated with CH_2Cl_2 (2×3 mL). The resultant crude phosphonium salt was dissolved in CH_2Cl_2 (13 mL) and Et_3N (1.4 mL, 10 mmol, 2 equiv) was added, followed by stirring for 30 min. AcCl (0.35 mL, 5 mmol) was then slowly added over 30 min with vigorous stirring. The resultant suspension was stirred for 16 h and concentrated. The thick slurry was stirred with Et_2O (30 mL) for 20 min and then organic fractions were concentrated. Column chromatography of the crude oil ($\text{EtOAc}:\text{hexane} = 1:40$) afforded the pure

ethyl-2-benzyl-2,3-butadienoate (**1a**).

Ethyl 2-benzylpenta-2,3-dienoate (**1a**).¹ Yellow oil; IR (neat): $\nu = 1709$ (C=O) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz): δ 7.31–7.19 (m, 5H), 5.50–5.44 (m, 1H), 4.19 (q, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2H), 3.61 (dd, $J_1 = 2.4$ Hz, $J_2 = 15.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.55 (dd, $J_1 = 2.4$ Hz, $J_2 = 15.0$ Hz, 1H), 1.72 (d, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 3H), 1.27 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 MHz): δ 211.2, 167.2, 139.5, 128.8, 128.1, 126.1, 100.1, 90.0, 60.8, 35.3, 14.2, 13.0; GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 216.10(21) $[\text{M}]^+$.

Ethyl 2-benzylhexa-2,3-dienoate (**1b**).¹ Yellow oil; IR (neat): $\nu = 1709$ (C=O) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz): δ 7.31–7.21 (m, 5H), 5.55–5.53 (m, 1H), 4.22–4.17 (m, 2H), 3.61 (dd, $J_1 = 2.4$ Hz, $J_2 = 15.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.56 (dd, $J_1 = 2.4$ Hz, $J_2 = 15.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.08–2.05 (m, 2H), 1.27 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 3H), 0.97 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 MHz): δ 210.4, 167.3, 139.5, 128.9, 128.2, 126.2, 101.3, 97.1, 60.8, 35.4, 21.3, 14.2, 13.2; GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 230.28(28) $[\text{M}]^+$.

Ethyl 2-benzylhepta-2,3-dienoate (**1c**).² Yellow oil; IR (neat): $\nu = 1709$ (C=O) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz): δ 7.31–7.20 (m, 5H), 5.50–5.47 (m, 1H), 4.23–4.18 (m, 2H), 3.60 (dd, $J = 2.4$ Hz, $J_2 = 15.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.58 (dd, $J_1 = 2.4$ Hz, $J_2 = 15.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.06–2.03 (m, 2H), 1.43–1.41 (m, 2H), 1.28 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 3H), 0.93 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 MHz): δ 210.7, 167.3, 139.6, 128.9, 128.2, 126.2, 100.5, 95.1, 60.8, 35.4, 30.0, 22.1, 14.2, 13.5; GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 244.20(23) $[\text{M}]^+$.

Ethyl 2-benzyl octa-2,3-dienoate (**1d**).³ Yellow oil; IR (neat): $\nu = 1710$ (C=O) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz): δ 7.31–7.21 (m, 5H), 5.48–5.47 (m, 1H), 4.21–4.18 (m, 2H), 3.59 (dd, $J = 2.4$ Hz, $J_2 = 15.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.57 (dd, $J_1 = 2.4$ Hz, $J_2 = 15.0$ Hz, 1H),

2.06–2.05 (m, 2H), 1.35–1.26 (m, 7H), 0.89 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 MHz): δ 210.6, 167.3, 139.5, 128.9, 128.1, 126.1, 100.5, 95.3, 60.8, 35.3, 30.9, 27.6, 21.9, 14.2, 13.7; GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 258.20(60) $[\text{M}]^+$.

Ethyl 2-benzylnona-2,3-dienoate (**1e**). Yellow oil; IR (neat): $\nu = 1710$ (C=O) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz): δ 7.31–7.19 (m, 5H), 5.50–5.47 (m, 1H), 4.23–4.18 (m, 2H), 3.60 (dd, $J = 2.4$ Hz, $J_2 = 15.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.56 (dd, $J_1 = 2.4$ Hz, $J_2 = 15.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.08–2.03 (m, 2H), 1.31–1.26 (m, 9H), 0.91 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 MHz): δ 210.6, 167.3, 139.5, 128.9, 128.1, 126.1, 100.5, 95.3, 60.8, 35.3, 31.0, 28.4, 27.8, 22.3, 14.2, 13.9; GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 272.20(52) $[\text{M}]^+$.

Ethyl 2-benzyldeca-2,3-dienoate (**1f**).² Yellow oil; IR (neat): $\nu = 1710$ (C=O) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz): δ 7.30–7.19 (m, 5H), 5.50–5.46 (m, 1H), 4.23–4.16 (m, 2H), 3.60 (dd, $J = 2.4$ Hz, $J_2 = 15.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.55 (dd, $J_1 = 2.4$ Hz, $J_2 = 15.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.07–2.03 (m, 2H), 1.36–1.26 (m, 11H), 0.91 (t, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 MHz): δ 210.6, 167.3, 139.5, 128.9, 128.1, 126.1, 100.6, 95.4, 60.8, 35.4, 31.6, 28.8, 28.6, 27.9, 22.5, 14.2, 14.1; GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 286.20(49) $[\text{M}]^+$.

Ethyl 2-benzyl-5-phenylpenta-2,3-dienoate (**1g**).¹ Yellow oil; IR (neat): $\nu = 1709$ (C=O) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz): δ 7.32–7.16 (m, 10H), 5.66–5.64 (m, 1H), 4.27–4.22 (m, 2H), 3.60 (dd, $J = 2.5$ Hz, $J_2 = 15.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.59 (dd, $J_1 = 2.5$ Hz, $J_2 = 15.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.43–3.40 (m, 2H), 1.34 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 MHz): δ 211.1, 167.0, 139.1, 138.9, 128.9, 128.6, 128.3, 128.2, 126.4, 126.2, 101.2, 94.8, 60.9, 35.2, 34.5, 14.2; GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 292.20(6) $[\text{M}]^+$.

Ethyl 2-benzyl-4-phenylbuta-2,3-dienoate (**1h**).⁴ Yellow oil; IR (neat): $\nu = 1710$ (C=O)

cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz): δ 7.29–7.14 (m, 10H), 6.47 (t, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 4.20–4.12 (m, 2H), 3.71 (dd, *J* = 2.5 Hz, *J*₂ = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 3.66 (dd, *J*₁ = 2.5 Hz, *J*₂ = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 1.19 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 MHz): δ 213.1, 166.4, 139.1, 132.3, 129.0, 128.8, 128.4, 127.8, 127.4, 126.5, 104.4, 98.6, 61.3, 35.7; GC-MS (EI): *m/z* (%) = 278.20(5) [M]⁺.

Methyl 2-benzylpenta-2,3-dienoate (**1i**). Yellow oil; IR (neat): ν = 1715 (C=O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz): δ 7.31–7.22 (m, 5H), 5.50–5.45 (m, 1H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 3.61 (dd, *J* = 2.5 Hz, *J*₂ = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 3.55 (dd, *J*₁ = 2.5 Hz, *J*₂ = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 1.72 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 MHz): δ 211.3, 167.7, 139.4, 128.8, 128.2, 126.2, 99.8, 90.2, 52.1, 35.4, 13.1; GC-MS (EI): *m/z* (%) = 202.10(23) [M]⁺.

Propyl 2-benzylpenta-2,3-dienoate (**1j**). Yellow oil; IR (neat): ν = 1711 (C=O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz): δ 7.31–7.19 (m, 5H), 5.49–5.44 (m, 1H), 4.09 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 3.60 (dd, *J* = 2.5 Hz, *J*₂ = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 3.55 (dd, *J*₁ = 2.5 Hz, *J*₂ = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 1.72–1.63 (m, 5H), 0.93 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 MHz): δ 211.3, 167.3, 139.6, 128.8, 128.2, 126.2, 100.1, 90.0, 66.4, 35.4, 22.0, 13.0, 10.3; GC-MS (EI): *m/z* (%) = 230.20(9) [M]⁺.

Isopropyl 2-benzylpenta-2,3-dienoate (**1k**). Yellow oil; IR (neat): ν = 1707 (C=O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz): δ 7.31–7.20 (m, 5H), 5.47–5.44 (m, 1H), 5.07–5.02 (m, 1H), 3.60 (dd, *J* = 2.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 3.53 (dd, *J*₁ = 2.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 1.72 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 1.24 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 6H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 MHz): δ 211.2, 166.7, 140.0, 128.9, 128.1, 126.1, 100.5, 89.9, 68.2, 35.4, 21.8, 21.77, 13.0; GC-MS (EI): *m/z* (%) = 230.10(1) [M]⁺.

Butyl 2-benzylpenta-2,3-dienoate (**1l**). Yellow oil; IR (neat): $\nu = 1712$ (C=O) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz): δ 7.32–7.22 (m, 5H), 5.49–5.45 (m, 1H), 4.15 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 2H), 3.62 (dd, $J = 1.5$ Hz, $J_2 = 15.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.56 (dd, $J_1 = 1.5$ Hz, $J_2 = 15.0$ Hz, 1H), 1.72 (d, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 3H), 1.66–1.61 (m, 2H), 1.40–1.36 (m, 2H), 0.95 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 MHz): δ 211.3, 167.3, 139.6, 128.8, 128.2, 126.2, 100.1, 90.0, 64.8, 35.4, 30.7, 19.1, 13.7, 13.0; GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 244.20(8) $[\text{M}]^+$.

Allyl 2-benzylpenta-2,3-dienoate (**1m**). Yellow oil; IR (neat): $\nu = 1713$ (C=O) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz): δ 7.34–7.28 (m, 5H), 6.00–5.92 (m, 1H), 5.51–5.50 (m, 1H), 5.35–5.23 (m, 2H), 4.67 (d, $J = 5.5$ Hz, 2H), 3.65 (d, $J = 15.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.59 (d, $J = 15.0$ Hz, 1H), 1.74 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 MHz): δ 211.3, 166.8, 139.3, 132.3, 128.8, 128.1, 126.1, 117.5, 99.8, 90.1, 65.3, 35.3, 12.9; GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 228.10(1) $[\text{M}]^+$.

Methyl 2-benzylpenta-2,3-dienoate (**1n**). Yellow oil; IR (neat): $\nu = 1713$ (C=O) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz): δ 7.30–7.19 (m, 5H), 5.50–5.47 (m, 1H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 3.60 (dd, $J_1 = 2.5$ Hz, $J_2 = 15.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.55 (dd, $J_1 = 2.5$ Hz, $J_2 = 15.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.08–2.03 (m, 2H), 1.33–1.32 (m, 4H), 0.93–0.86 (m, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 MHz): δ 210.7, 167.8, 139.4, 128.9, 128.2, 126.2, 100.3, 95.5, 52.1, 35.4, 30.9, 27.6, 22.0, 13.8; GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 244.20(36) $[\text{M}]^+$.

Methyl 2-benzyl-4-phenylbuta-2,3-dienoate (**1o**). Yellow oil; IR (neat): $\nu = 1716$ (C=O) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz): δ 7.36–7.22 (m, 10H), 6.55 (t, $J = 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.76–3.73 (m, 5H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 MHz): δ 213.1, 166.8, 138.9, 132.0, 128.9, 128.8, 128.3, 127.8, 127.3, 126.4, 104.0, 98.6, 52.4, 35.6; GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) =

264.20(7) [M]⁺.

Ethyl 2-(3-methylbenzyl)penta-2,3-dienoate (**1p**). Yellow oil; IR (neat): $\nu = 1711$ (C=O) cm^{-1} ; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz): δ 7.21–7.18 (m, 1H), 7.08–7.03 (m, 3H), 5.50–5.46 (m, 1H), 4.21–4.18 (m, 2H), 3.58 (dd, $J_1 = 2.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 14.5$ Hz, 1H), 3.52 (dd, $J_1 = 2.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 14.5$ Hz, 1H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 1.74 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 3H), 1.28 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 MHz): δ 211.3, 167.3, 139.5, 137.7, 129.7, 128.1, 126.9, 125.8, 100.1, 89.9, 60.9, 35.3, 21.4, 14.2, 13.1; GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 230.20(25) [M]⁺.

Ethyl 2-(3-chlorobenzyl)penta-2,3-dienoate (**1q**). Yellow oil; IR (neat): $\nu = 1709$ (C=O) cm^{-1} ; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz): δ 7.22–7.16 (m, 4H), 5.51–5.46 (m, 1H), 4.20–4.16 (m, 2H), 3.55 (d, $J_1 = 2.5$ Hz, $J_2 = 15.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.50 (dd, $J_1 = 2.5$ Hz, $J_2 = 15.0$ Hz, 1H), 1.72 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 3H), 1.26 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 MHz): δ 211.2, 167.0, 141.6, 133.9, 129.4, 129.0, 127.1, 126.4, 99.6, 90.4, 61.0, 35.1, 14.2, 13.0; GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 250.10(25) [M]⁺.

Ethyl 2-(3-bromobenzyl)penta-2,3-dienoate (**1r**). Yellow oil; IR (neat): $\nu = 1712$ (C=O) cm^{-1} ; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz): δ 7.38–7.30 (m, 2H), 7.16–7.11 (m, 2H), 5.50–5.46 (m, 1H), 4.20–4.15 (m, 2H), 3.54 (d, $J_1 = 2.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 15.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.49 (dd, $J_1 = 2.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 15.0$ Hz, 1H), 1.71 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 3H), 1.25 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 MHz): δ 211.1, 166.8, 141.8, 131.8, 129.6, 129.2, 127.4, 122.1, 99.5, 90.3, 60.9, 34.9, 14.1, 12.9; GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 294.10(6) [M]⁺.

Ethyl 2-(2-methylbenzyl)penta-2,3-dienoate (**1s**). Yellow oil; IR (neat): $\nu = 1712$ (C=O) cm^{-1} ; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz): δ 7.19–7.12 (m, 4H), 5.40–5.34 (m, 1H), 4.24–4.21 (m, 2H), 3.62 (d, $J_1 = 2.5$ Hz, $J_2 = 15.5$ Hz, 1H), 3.56 (dd, $J_1 = 2.5$ Hz, $J_2 = 15.5$ Hz, 1H), 2.33

(s, 3H), 1.62 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 3H), 1.30 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 MHz): δ 211.0, 167.3, 137.3, 136.5, 130.0, 129.7, 126.4, 125.7, 99.6, 90.3, 60.9, 32.7, 19.3, 14.3, 12.8; GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 230.20(52) $[\text{M}]^+$.

Ethyl 2-(4-methylbenzyl)penta-2,3-dienoate (**1t**). Yellow oil; IR (neat): $\nu = 1709$ (C=O) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz): δ 7.17 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.14 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 5.51–5.46 (m, 1H), 4.22–4.19 (m, 2H), 3.59 (d, $J_1 = 2.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 14.5$ Hz, 1H), 3.53 (dd, $J_1 = 2.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 14.5$ Hz, 1H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 1.75 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 3H), 1.29 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 MHz): δ 211.1, 167.2, 136.4, 135.5, 128.8, 128.6, 100.2, 89.8, 60.8, 34.9, 21.0, 14.2, 13.0; GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 230.20(17) $[\text{M}]^+$.

Ethyl 2-benzylbuta-2,3-dienoate (**1u**).¹ Yellow oil; IR (neat): $\nu = 1712$ (C=O) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz): δ 7.34–7.23 (m, 5H), 5.12 (d, $J = 5.0$ Hz, 1H), 4.23 (q, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2H), 3.62 (d, $J = 5.0$ Hz, 1H), 1.30 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 MHz): δ 166.7, 139.0, 128.7, 128.1, 126.2, 100.2, 79.0, 60.9, 34.8, 14.1; GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 202.10(2) $[\text{M}]^+$.

tert-Butyl 2-benzylpenta-2,3-dienoate (**1v**).⁵ Colorless oil; IR (neat): $\nu = 1705$ (C=O) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz): δ 7.32–7.18 (m, 5H), 5.43–5.41 (m, 1H), 3.56 (d, $J_1 = 2.3$ Hz, $J_2 = 15.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.49 (dd, $J_1 = 2.3$ Hz, $J_2 = 15.0$ Hz, 1H), 1.70 (d, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1H), 1.45 (s, 9H); GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 244.10(2) $[\text{M}]^+$.

Ethyl 2-benzyl-4-methylpenta-2,3-dienoate (**1w**). Yellow oil; IR (neat): $\nu = 1708$ (C=O) cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz): δ 7.31–7.21 (m, 5H), 4.19 (q, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 2H), 3.57 (s, 2H), 1.72 (s, 6H), 1.27 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 MHz): δ 208.7, 167.5, 139.8, 128.8, 128.0, 125.9, 99.8, 98.5, 60.5, 35.6, 19.2, 14.2; GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) =

230.20(40) [M]⁺.

Ethyl 2-phenethylpenta-2,3-dienoate (**1x**). Yellow oil; IR (neat): $\nu = 1709$ (C=O) cm^{-1} ;
¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz): δ 7.31–7.28 (m, 2H), 7.22–7.19 (m, 3H), 5.48–5.44 (m, 1H),
4.22 (q, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 2.80–2.76 (m, 2H), 2.61–2.54 (m, 2H), 1.66 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 3H),
1.30 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 MHz): δ 210.7, 167.5, 141.6, 128.6, 128.3,
125.8, 99.4, 90.0, 60.8, 34.3, 30.3, 14.3, 13.1; GC-MS (EI): m/z (%) = 230.20(29) [M]⁺.

3. X-ray structural data for product 2q (CCDC 873586)

Crystal data

C₁₄H₁₂ClFO₃

$M_r = 282.69$

Monoclinic, P21

Hall symbol: P 2yb

$a = 8.1890$ (6) Å

$b = 7.1850$ (5) Å

$c = 11.2590$ (7) Å

$\alpha = 90.00^\circ$

$\beta = 93.555$ (2) $^\circ$

$\gamma = 90.00^\circ$

$V = 661.18$ (8) Å³

$F_{000} = 292$

$D_x = 1.42$ Mg m⁻³

Mo K α radiation

Cell parameters from 3934 reflections

$\lambda = 0.71073$ Å

$\theta = 3.2$ – 27.4°

$\mu = 0.301$ mm⁻¹

$T = 296$ (1) K

Chunk, colourless

0.45 x 0.42 x 0.27 mm

$Z = 2$

Data collection

Rigaku RAXIS-RAPID diffractometer

Detector resolution: 10.00 pixels mm⁻¹

ω scans

Absorption correction: multi-scan

(ABSCOR; Higashi, 1995)

$T_{\min} = 0.8764$, $T_{\max} = 0.9231$

6553 measured reflections

1454 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$

$R_{\text{int}} = 0.0217$

$\theta_{\text{max}} = 27.48^\circ$

$h = -10 \rightarrow 10$

$k = -9 \rightarrow 9$

$l = -14 \rightarrow 14$

2906 independent reflections

Refinement

Refinement on F^2

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.0478$

$wR(F^2) = 0.1494$

$S = 1.004$

172 parameters

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H-atom parameters constrained

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0405P)^2 + 0.6556P]$, $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$

$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} < 0.000$

$\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.439$ e Å⁻³

$\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.362$ e Å⁻³

Extinction correction: Larson (1970)

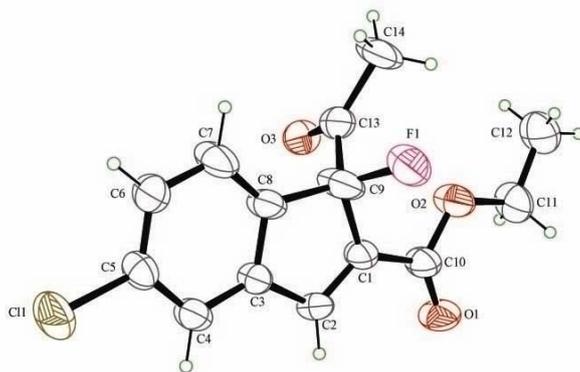
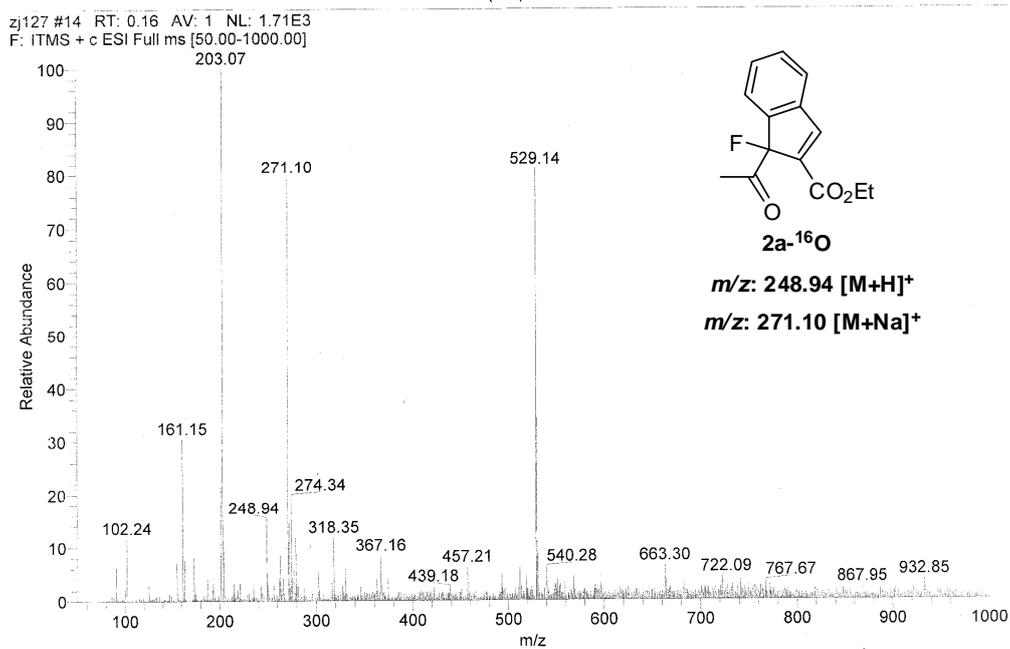
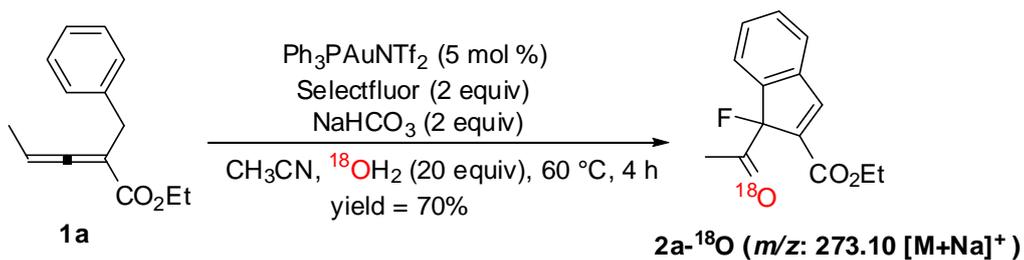


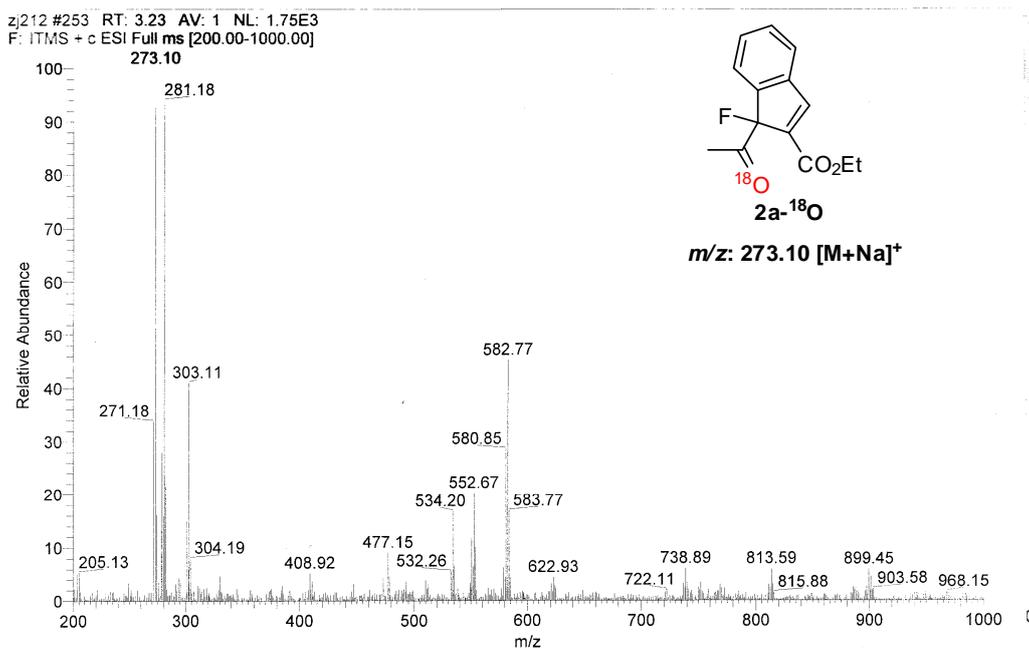
FIGURE S1. X-Ray crystal structure of **2q** (50% thermal ellipsoid)

4. Preliminary Mechanistic Studies

4.1 O¹⁸-Isotope Labelling Studies

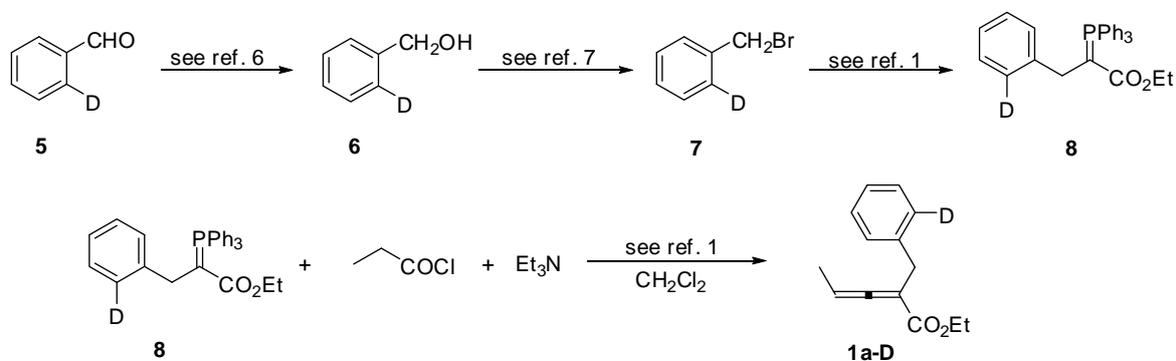
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4.2 Determination of Intramolecular Kinetic Isotope Effect

Preparation of 1a-D



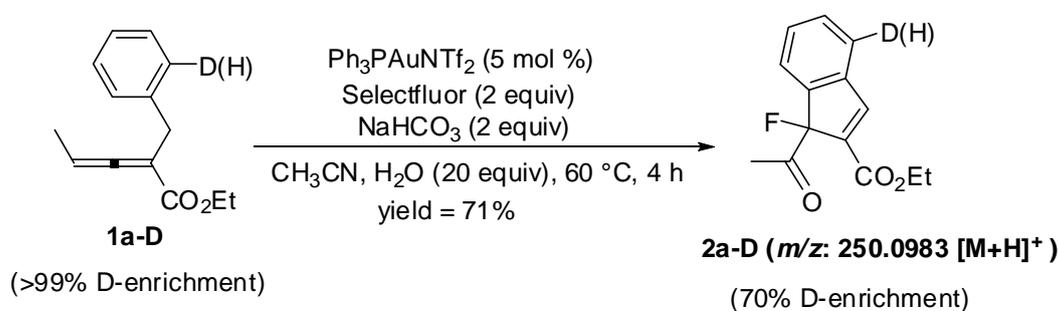
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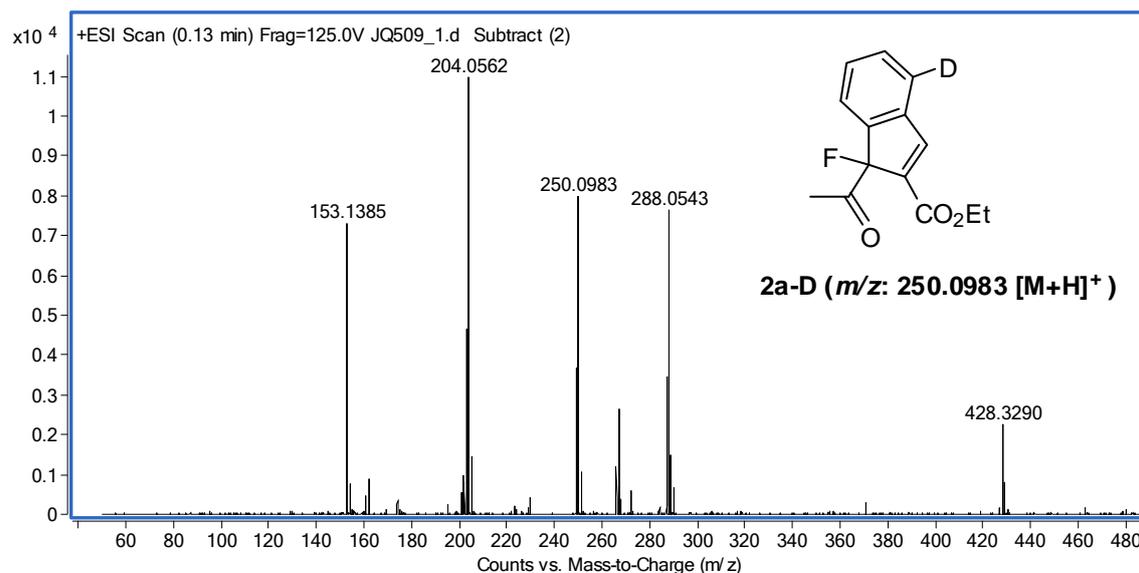
The synthesis of **1a-D** was according to the literature procedure (Scheme S3).¹ A solution of (carbethoxymethylene)triphenylphosphorane (1.7 g, 5 mmol) and the d_1 -benzyl bromide **7** (>99% D-enrichment, 0.95 g, 5.5 mmol) (synthesized from reduction of d_1 -benzaldehyde **5**⁶ followed by bromination of the resultant d_1 -benzyl alcohol **6**⁷) in

CH₂Cl₂ (13 mL) was heated under reflux for 4 days. The mixture was concentrated and the crude oily foam was co-evaporated with CH₂Cl₂ (2 × 3 mL). The resultant crude phosphonium salt was dissolved in CH₂Cl₂ (13 mL) and Et₃N (1.4 mL, 10 mmol, 2 equiv) was added, followed by stirring for 30 min. AcCl (0.35 mL, 5 mmol) was then slowly added over 30 min with vigorous stirring. The resultant suspension was stirred for 16 h and concentrated. The thick slurry was stirred with Et₂O (30 mL) for 20 min and then organic fractions were concentrated. Column chromatography of the crude oil (EtOAc:hexane = 1:40) afforded the pure ethyl-2-benzyl-2,3-butadienoate-*d*₁ **1a-D** (>99% D-enrichment).

Analytical data of **1a-D** (>99% D-enrichment): Yellow oil; IR (neat): $\nu = 1712$ (C=O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (DMSO-*d*₆, 500 MHz): δ 7.28–7.19 (m, 4H), 5.64–5.60 (m, 1H), 4.13–4.07 (m, 2H), 3.52 (dd, $J_1 = 2.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 15.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.46 (dd, $J_1 = 2.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 15.0$ Hz, 1H), 1.64 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 3H), 1.16 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 MHz): δ 211.2, 167.2, 139.4, 128.8, 128.2, 128.0, 126.2, 100.1, 90.0, 60.9, 35.3, 14.2, 13.0; GC-MS (EI): $m/z = 217.20(26)$ [M]⁺.

Determination of Intramolecular Kinetic Isotope Effect





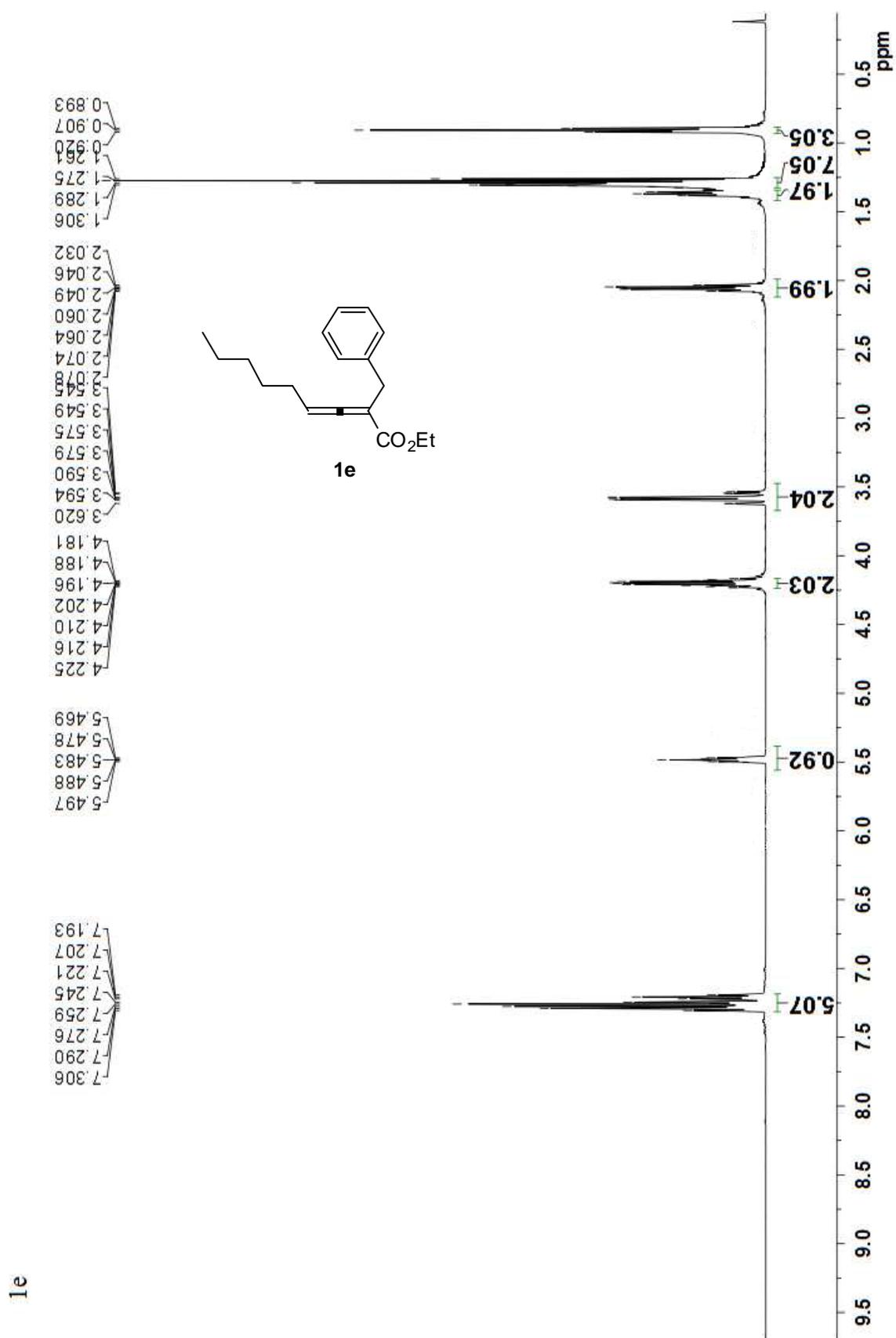
SCHEME S4

In a 10-mL flask, $\text{Ph}_3\text{PAuNTf}_2$ (7.4 mg, 0.01 mmol), Selectfluor (141 mg, 0.4 mmol), NaHCO_3 (34 mg, 0.4 mmol), H_2O (72 mg, 4 mmol), and CH_3CN (1 mL) were added. The mixture was stirred at rt for 5 min before a CH_3CN solution (1 mL) of **1a-D** (>99% Deuterium-enrichment, 43.4 mg, 0.2 mmol) was added. Then the mixture was stirred at 60 °C for 4 h. Upon completion, the resulting mixture was diluted with CH_2Cl_2 (10 mL) and filtered through Celite. After evaporation of the solvent under vacuum, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (100-200 mesh) using petroleum ether-EtOAc (6:1, v/v) as an eluent to give a mixture of **2a-D** & **2a** (35.4 mg, 71% yield). ^1H NMR analysis of the isolated mixture showed the ration of **2a-D**:**2a** as 70:30. Based on this result, the kinetic isotope effect is caculated to be $k_{\text{H}}/k_{\text{D}} = 2.3$.

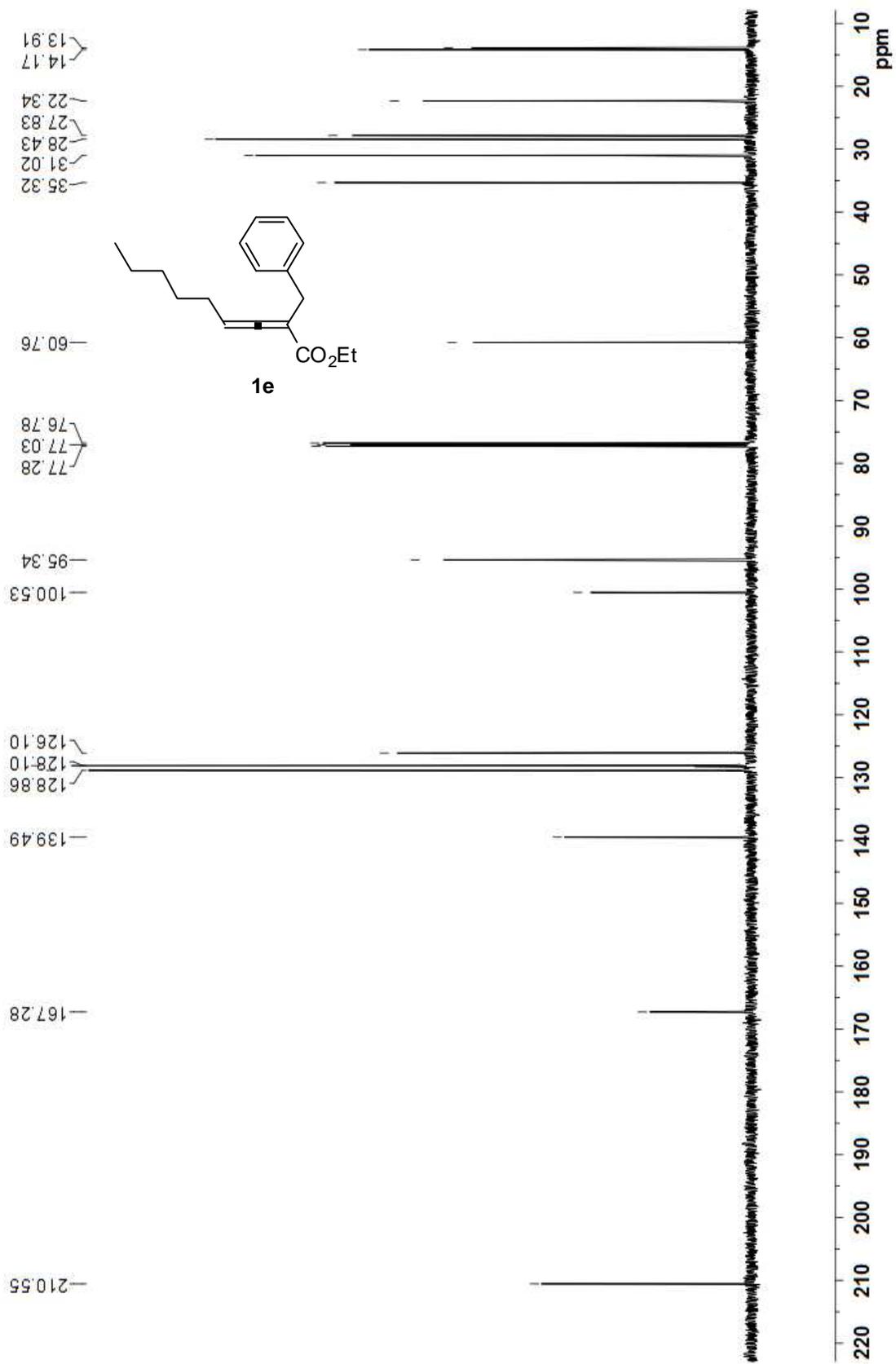
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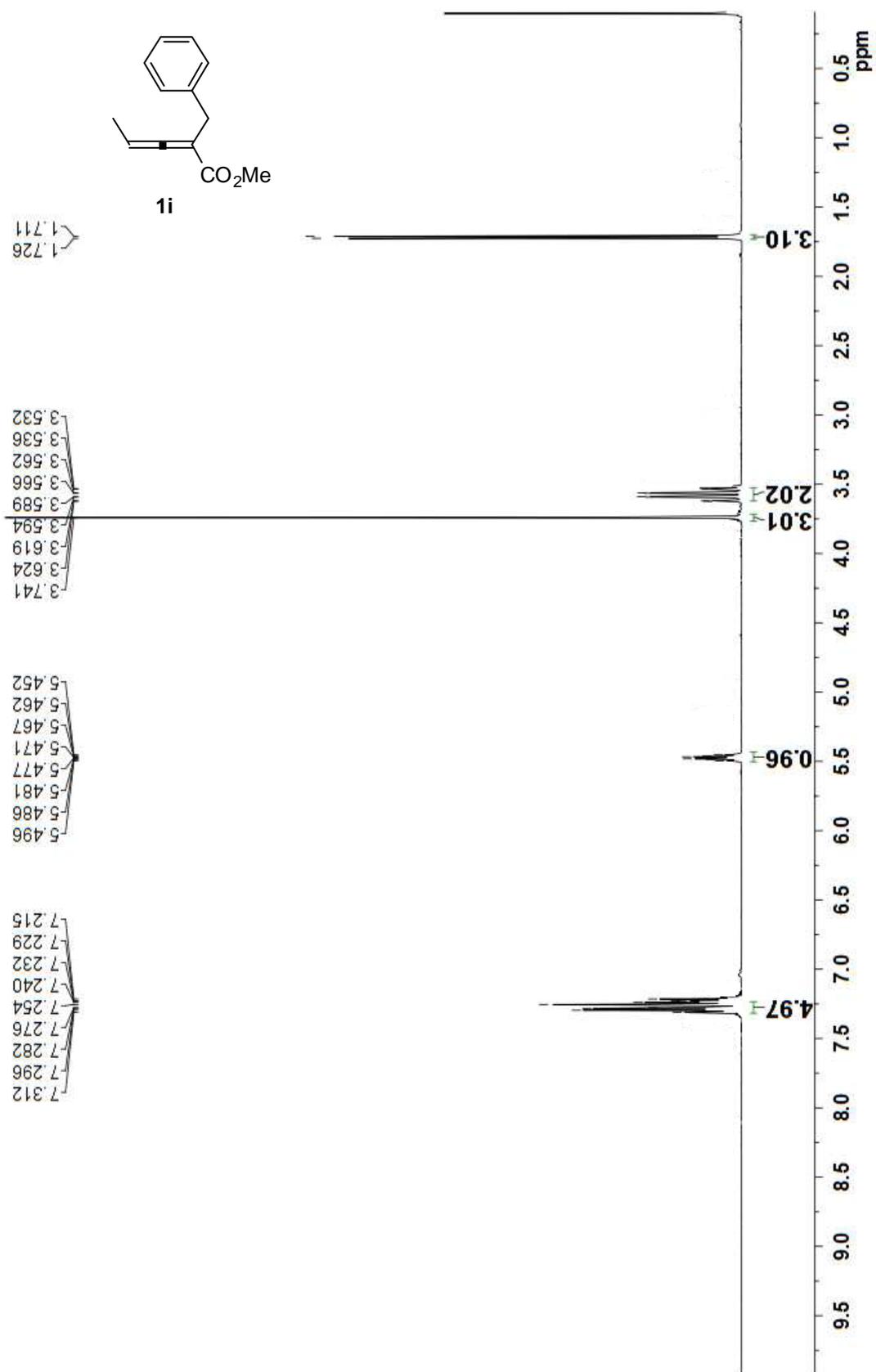
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6. ^1H , ^{13}C , and ^{19}F NMR spectra of products



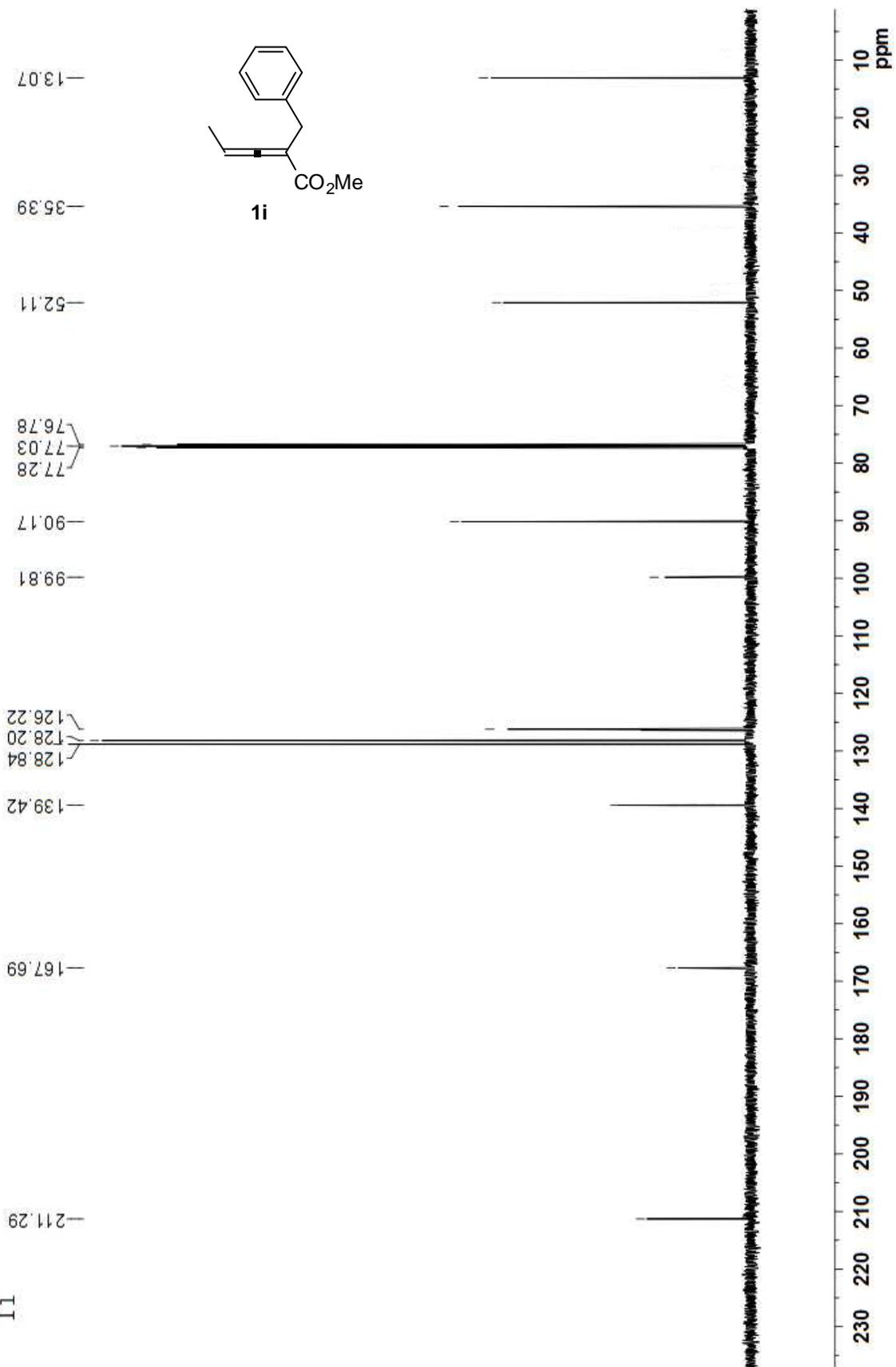
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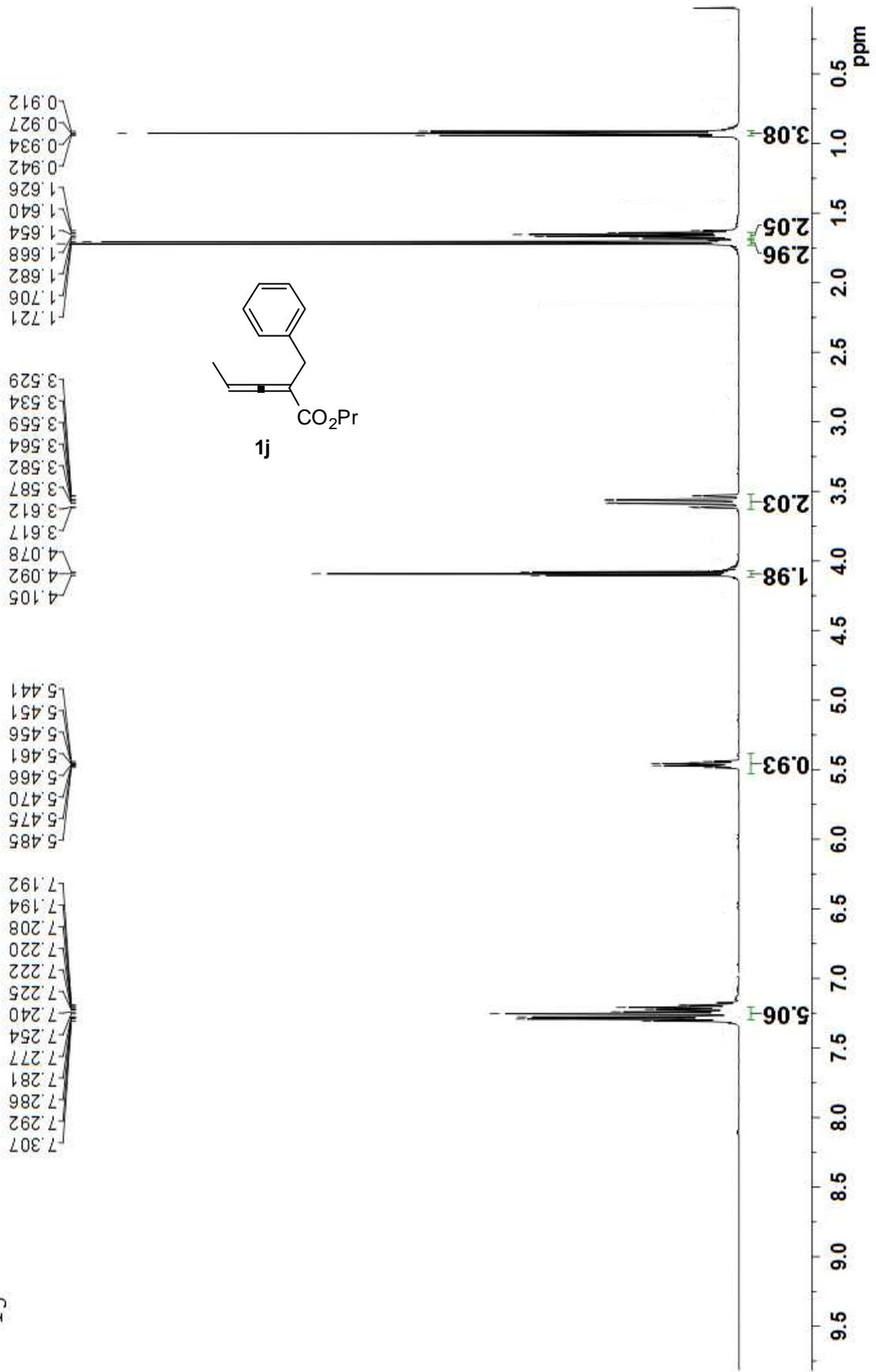


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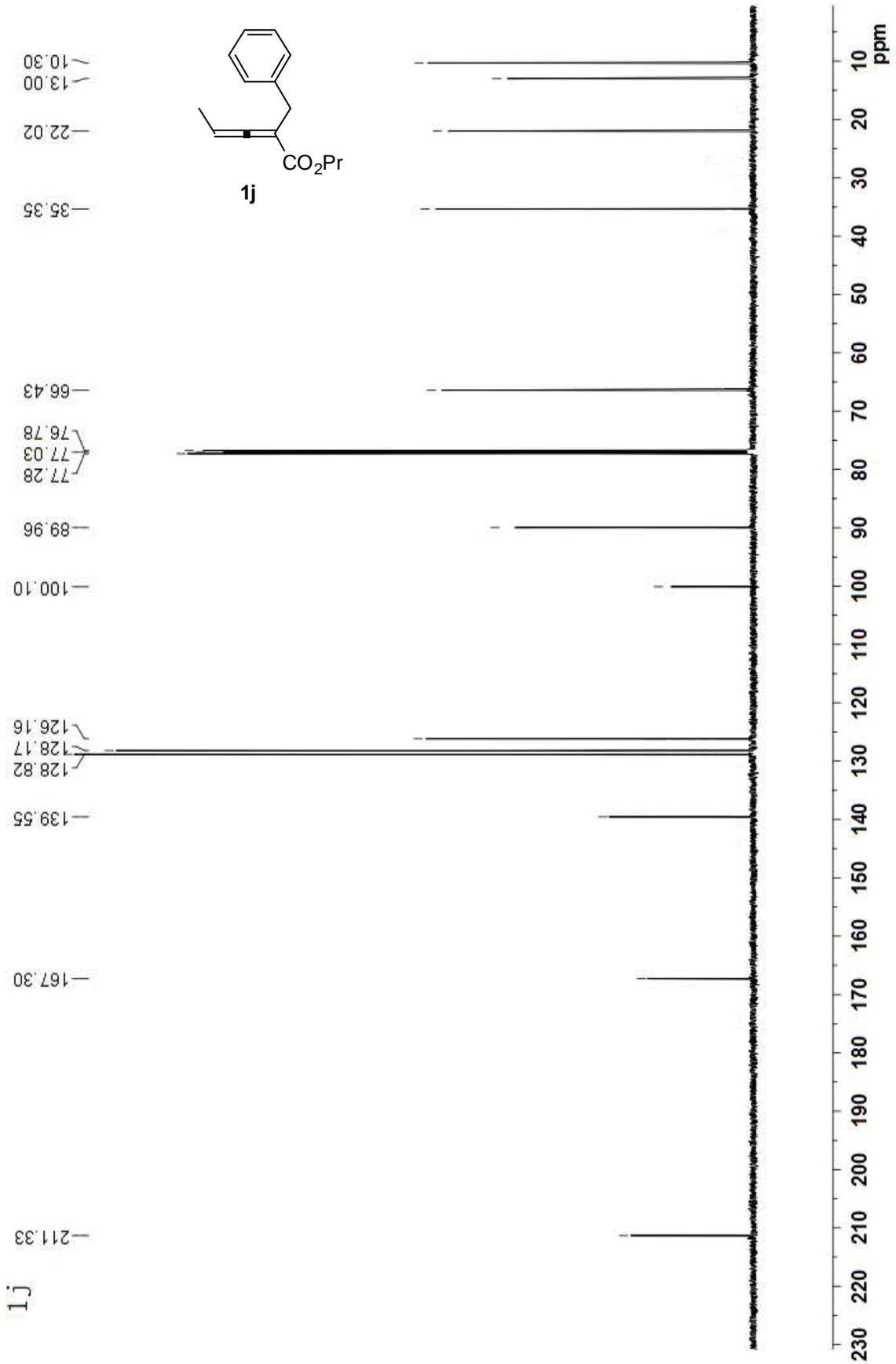
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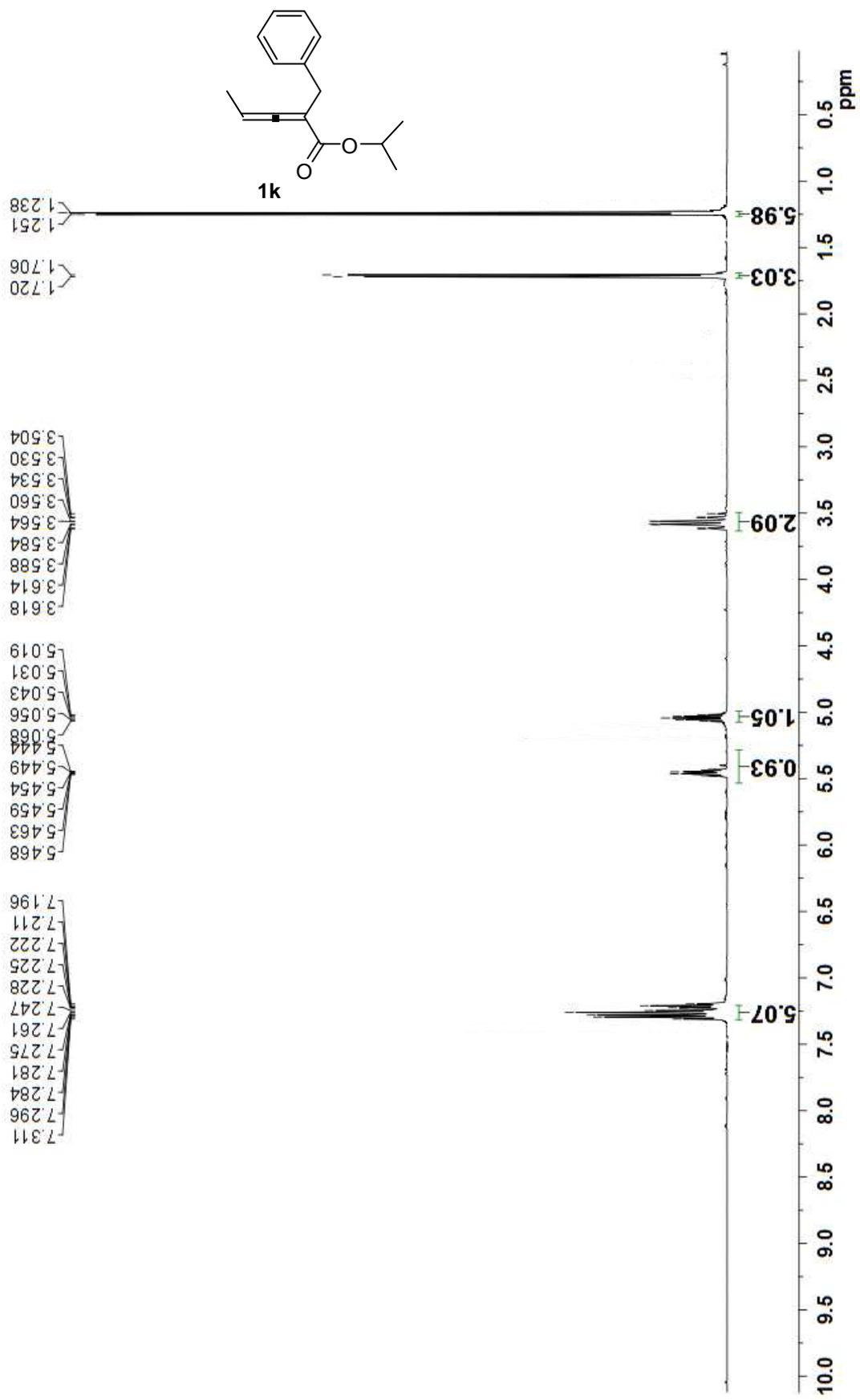
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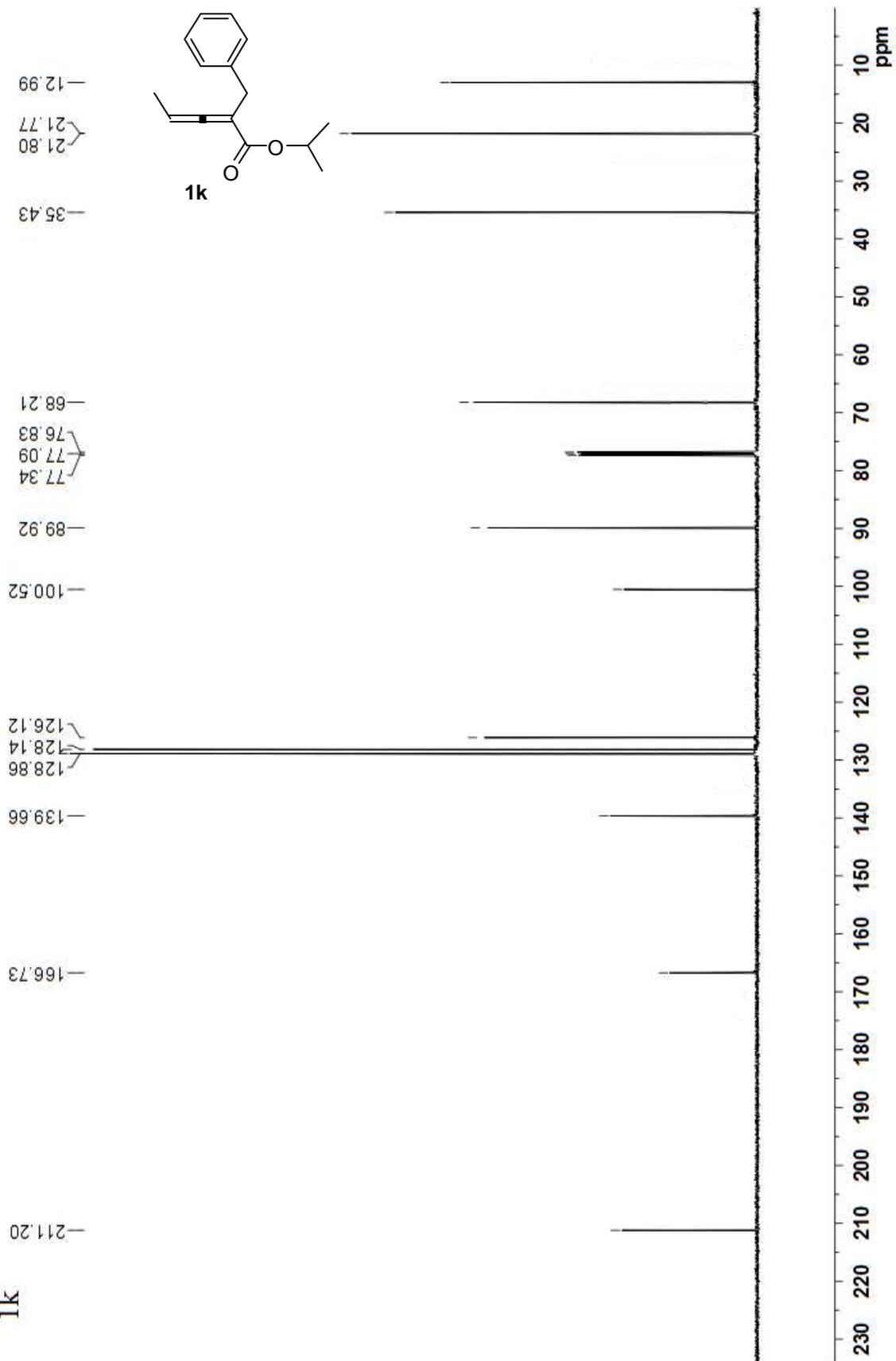
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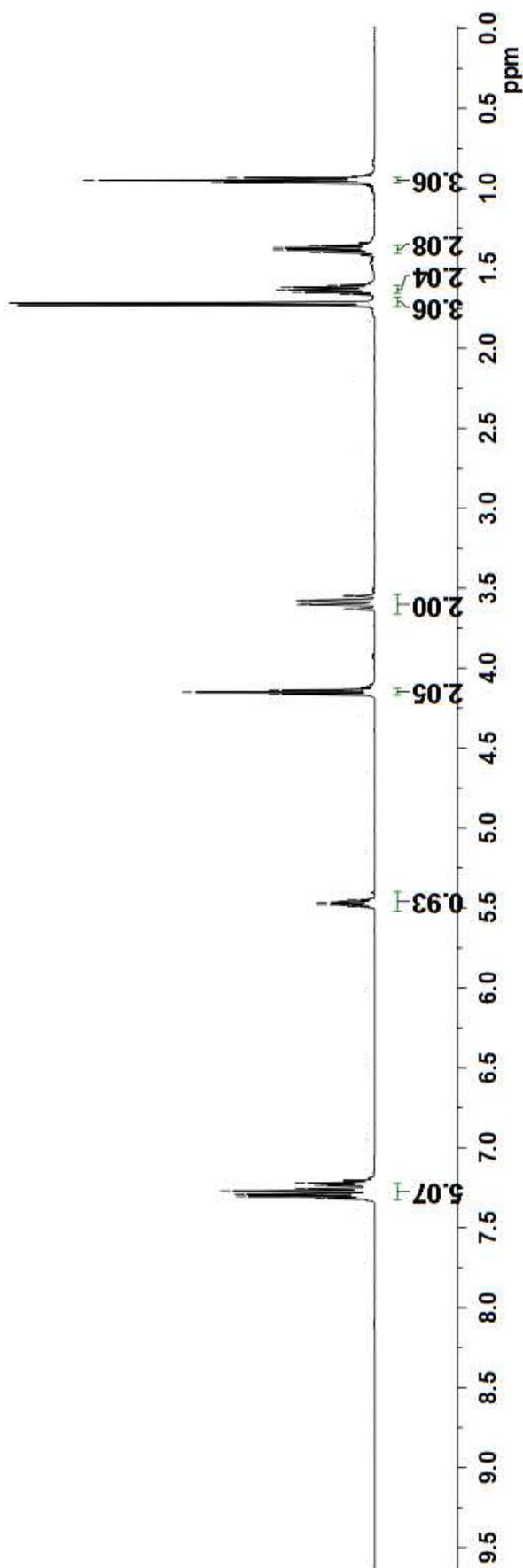
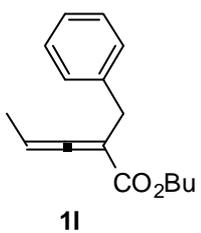


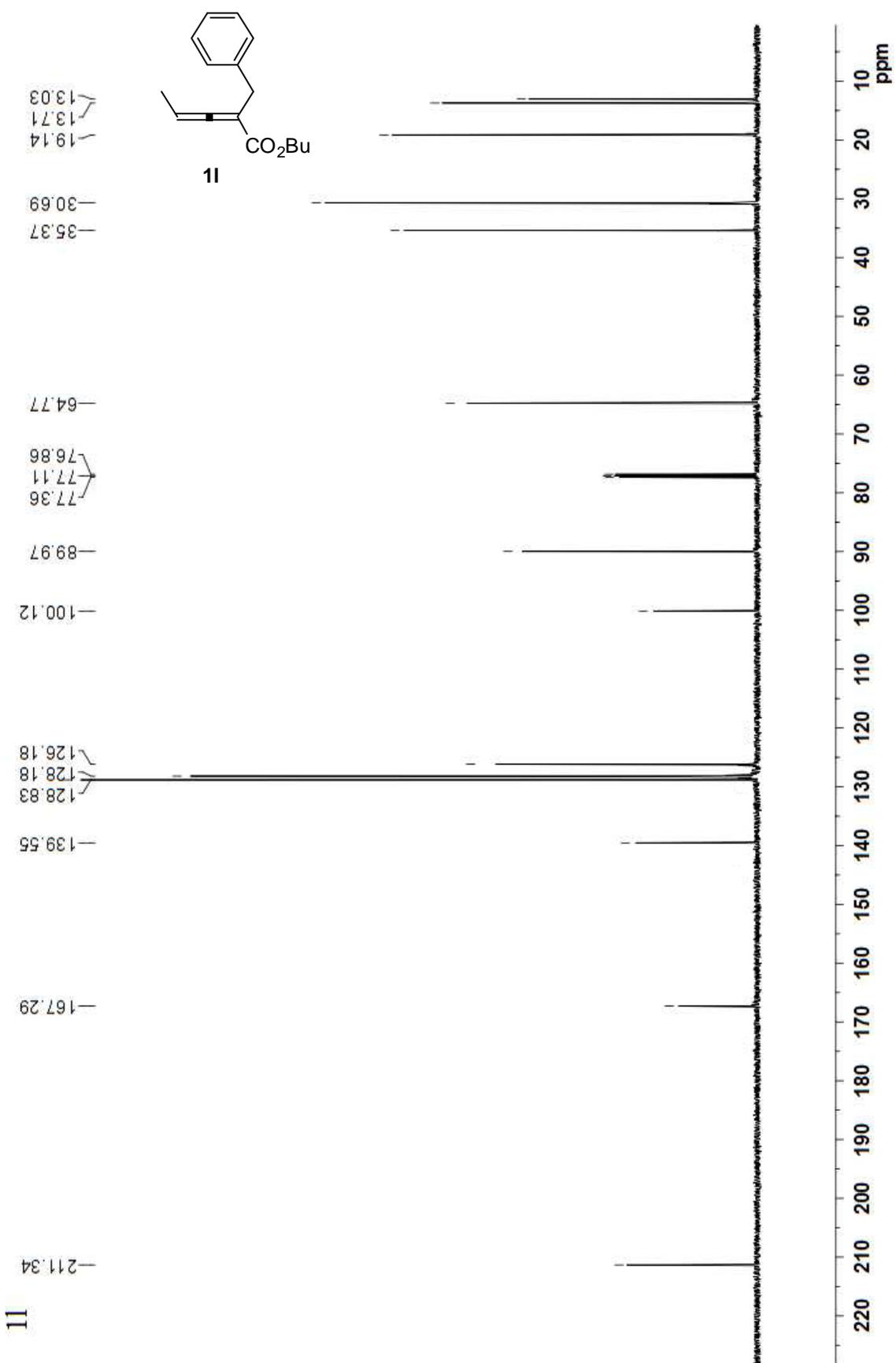
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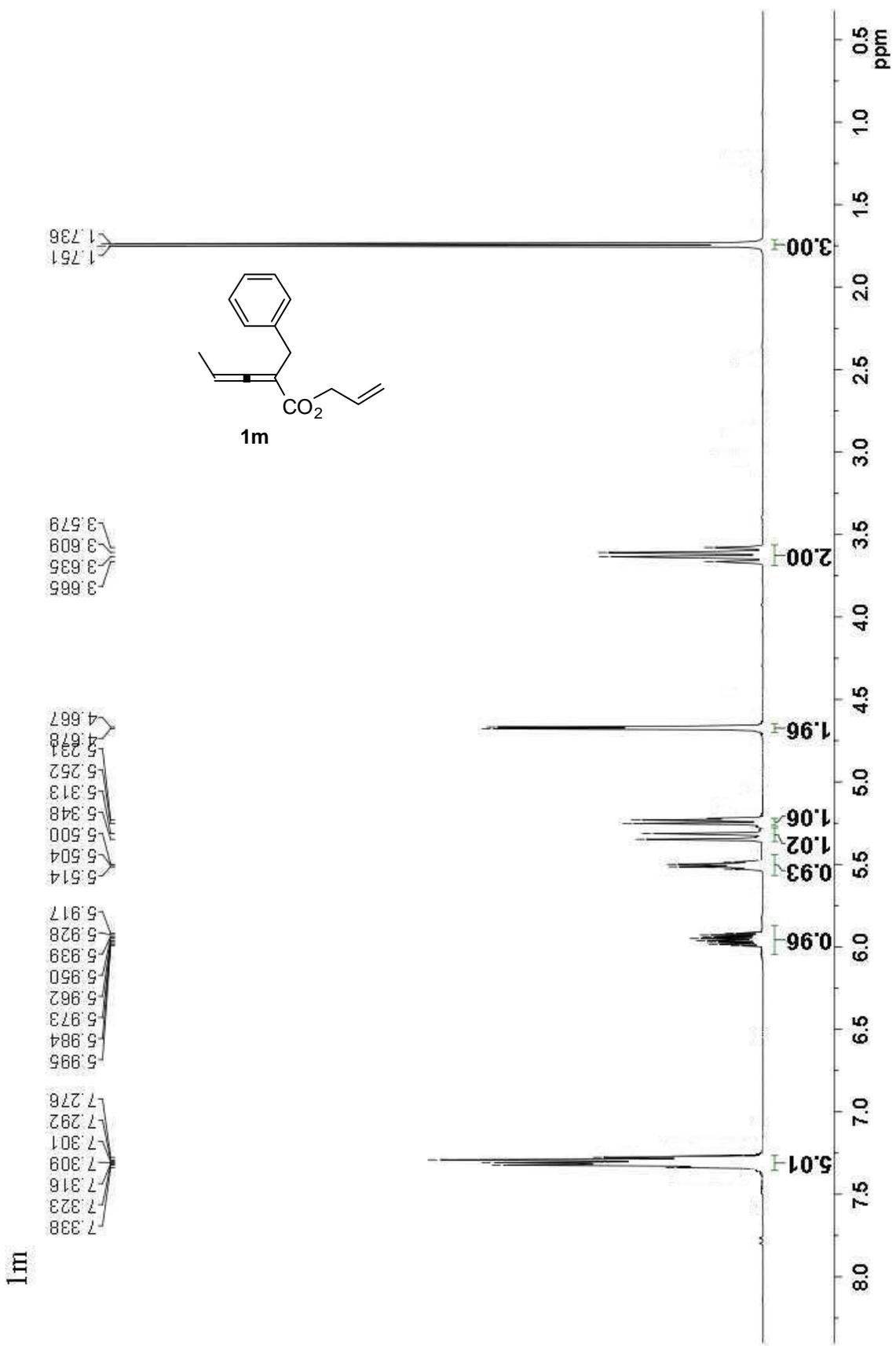


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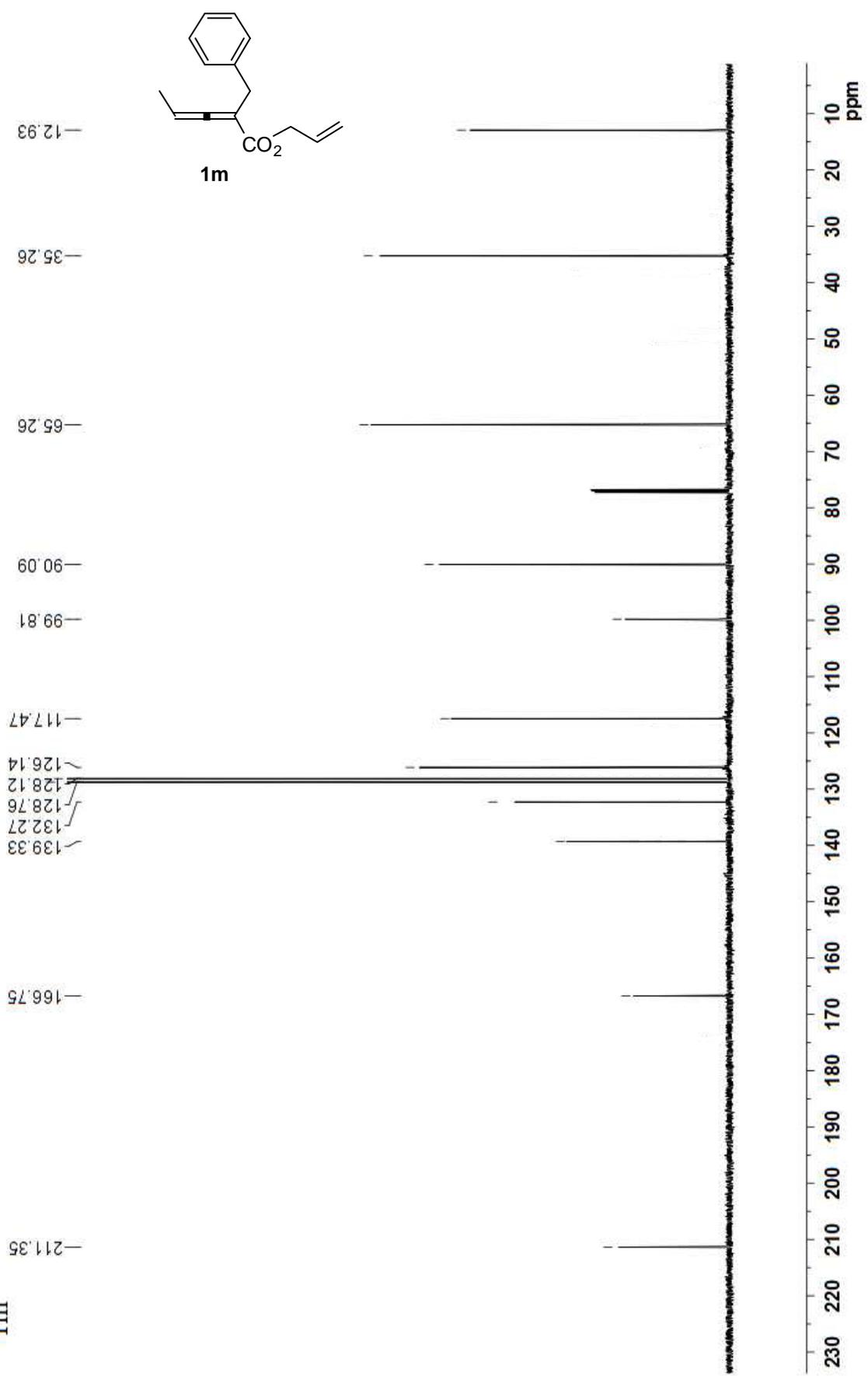
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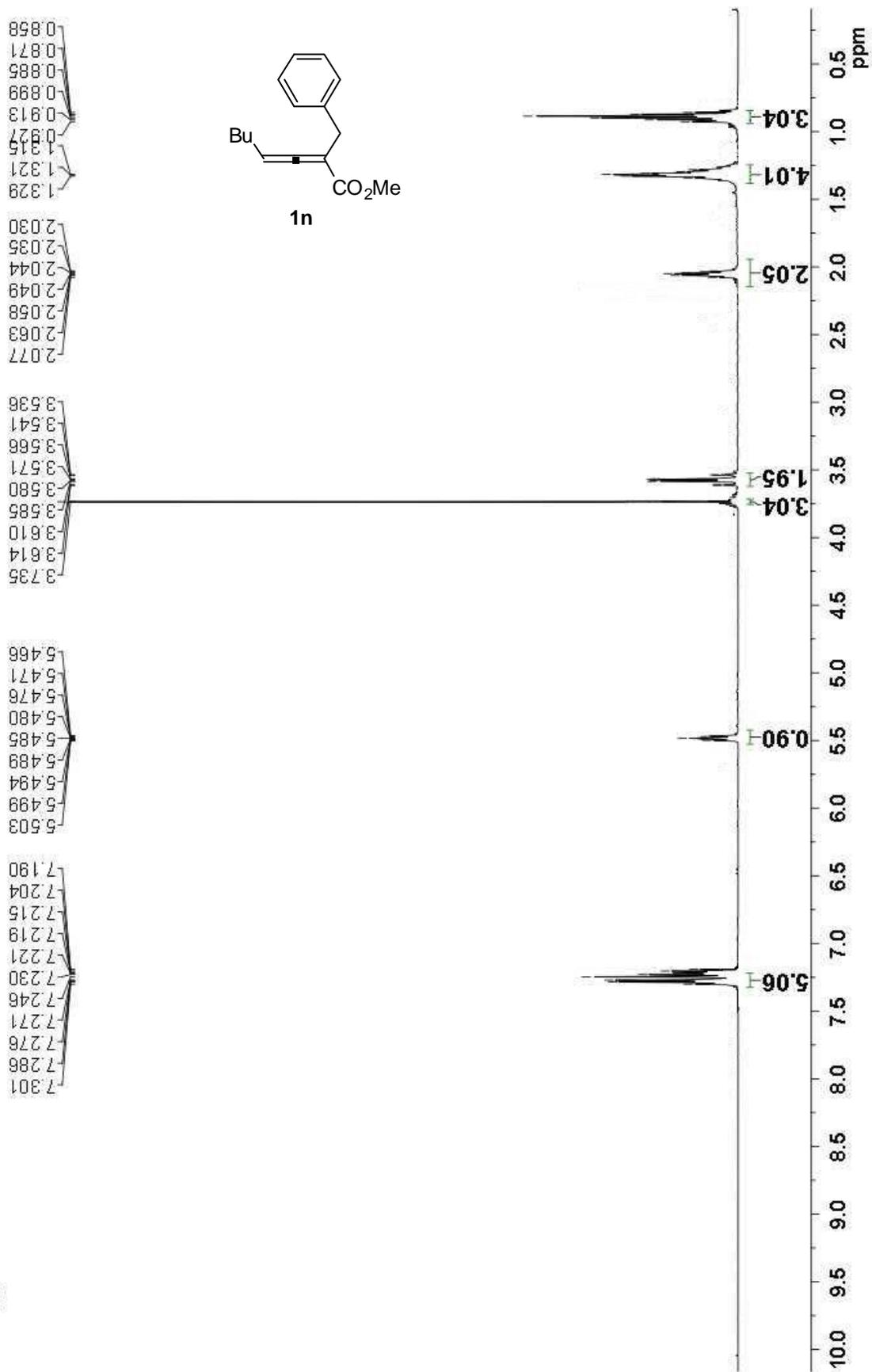


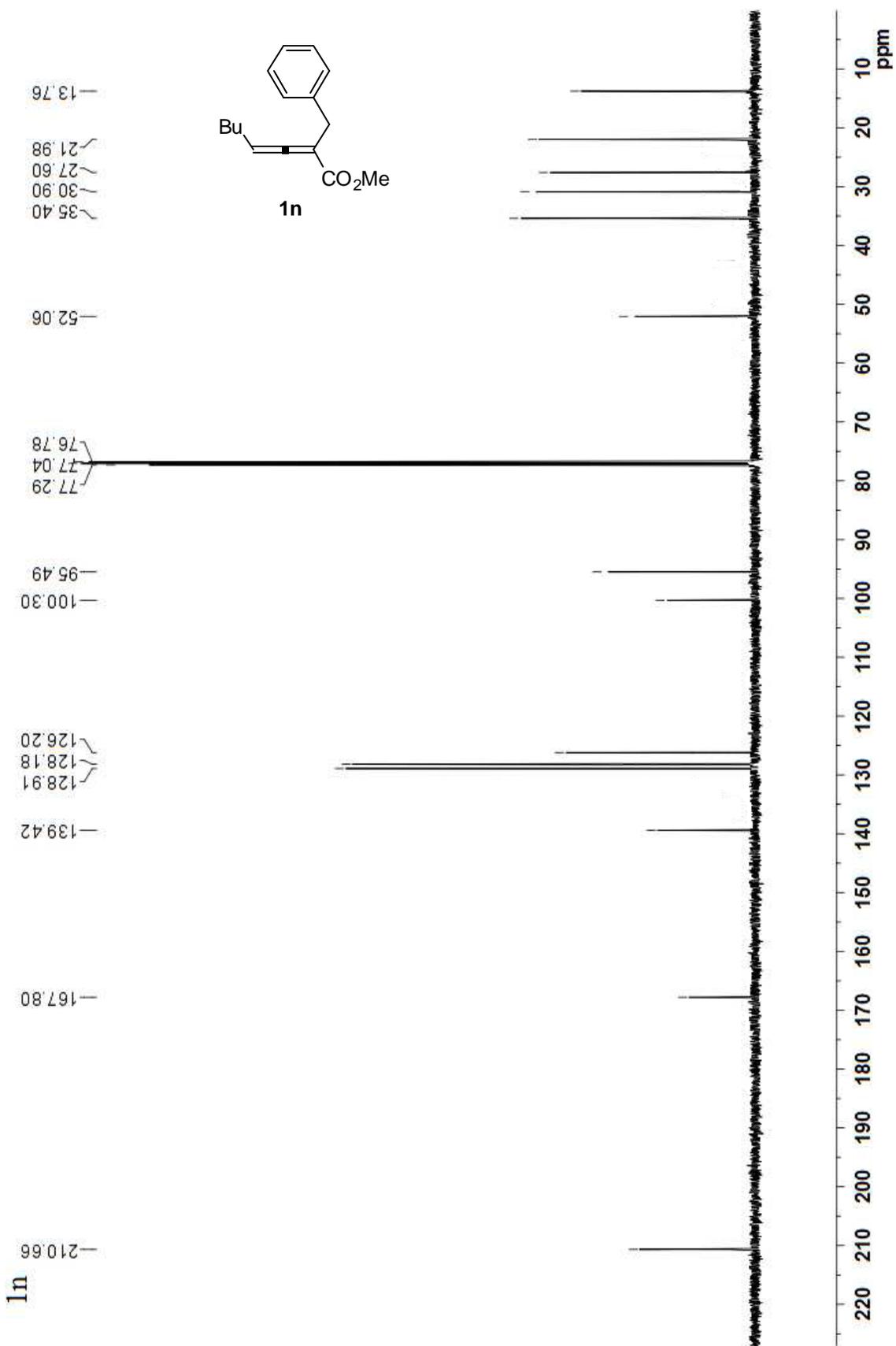


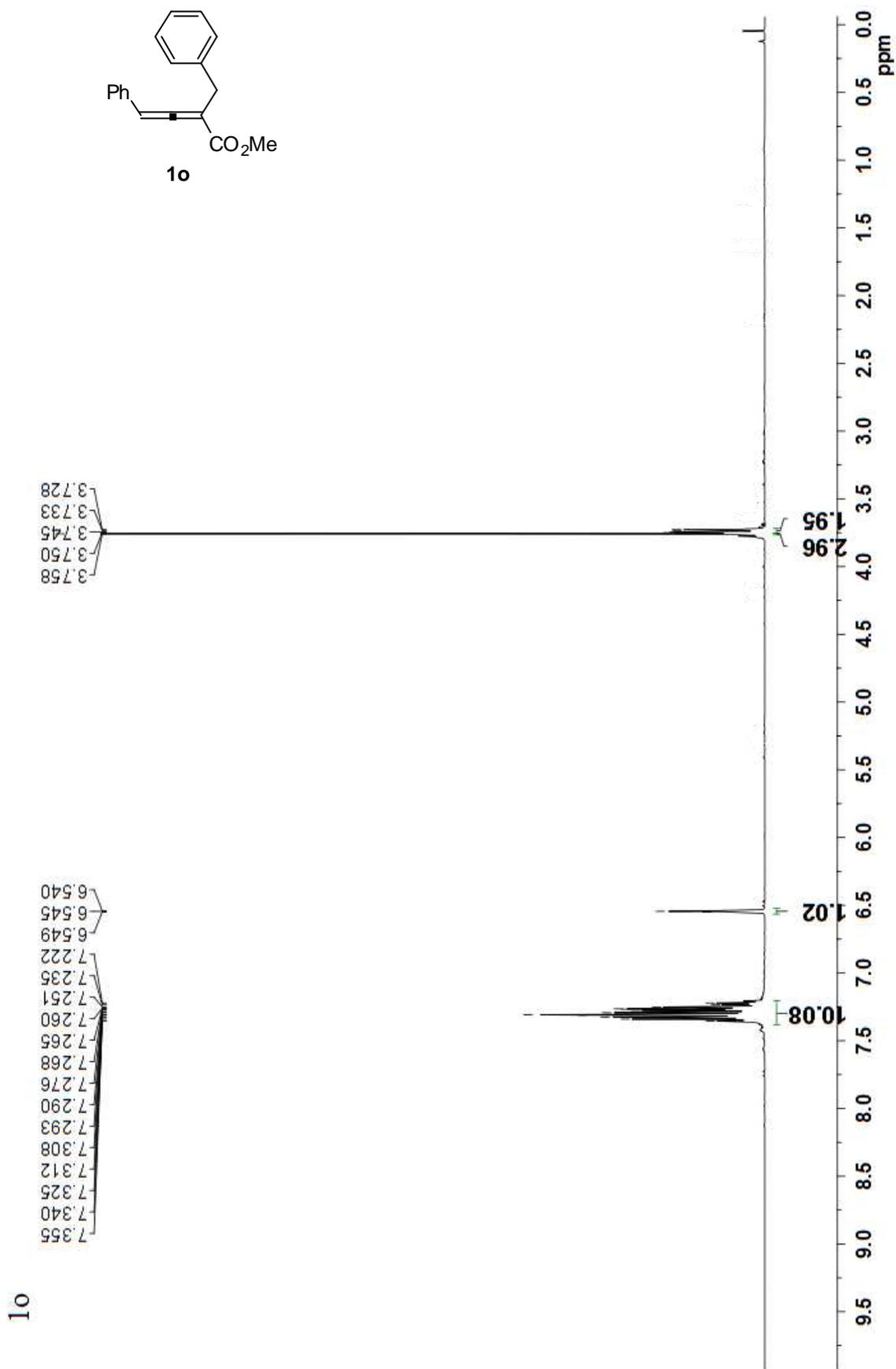
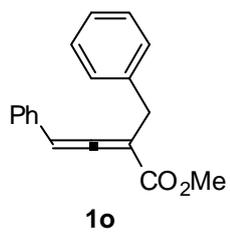
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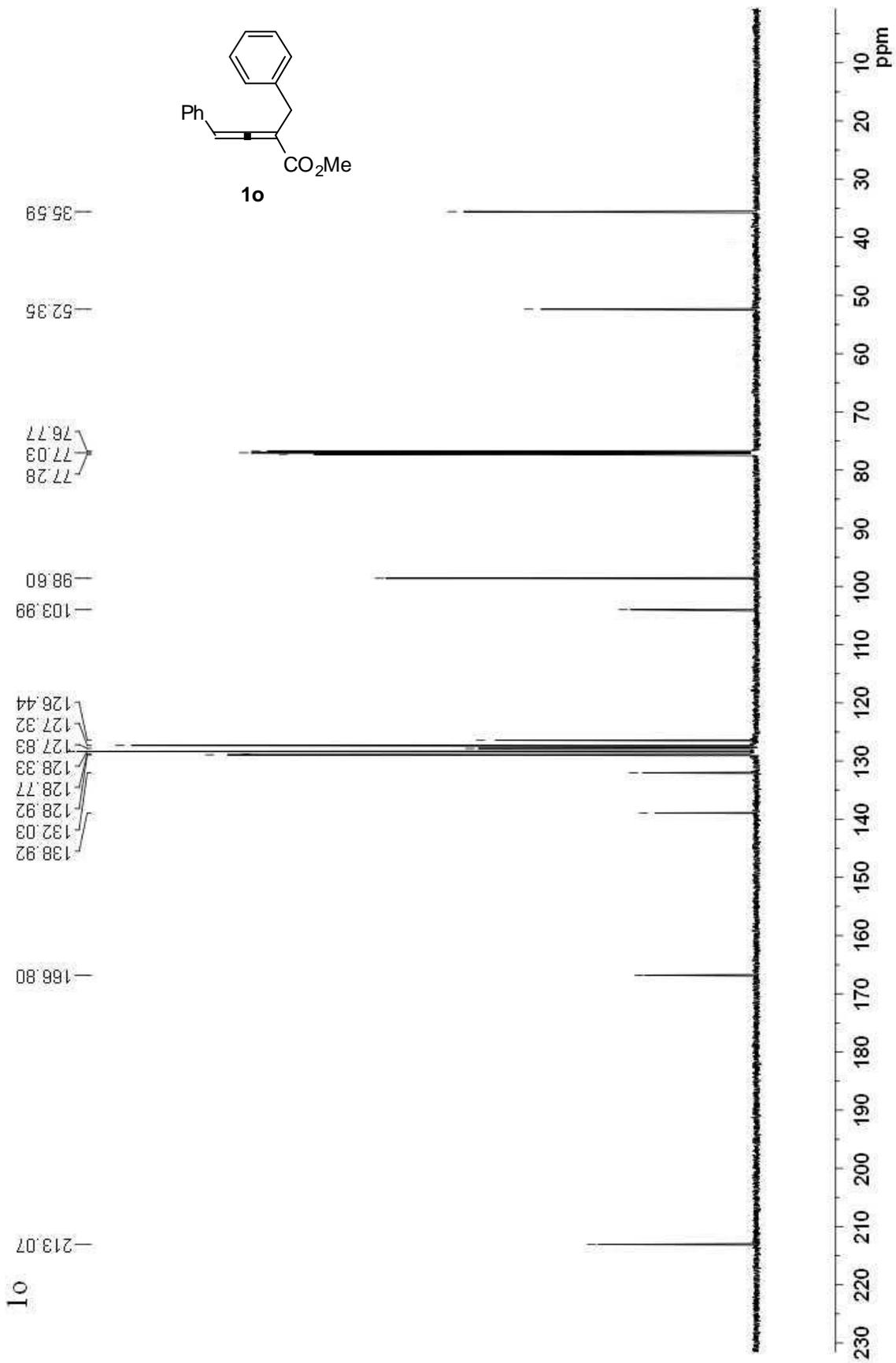


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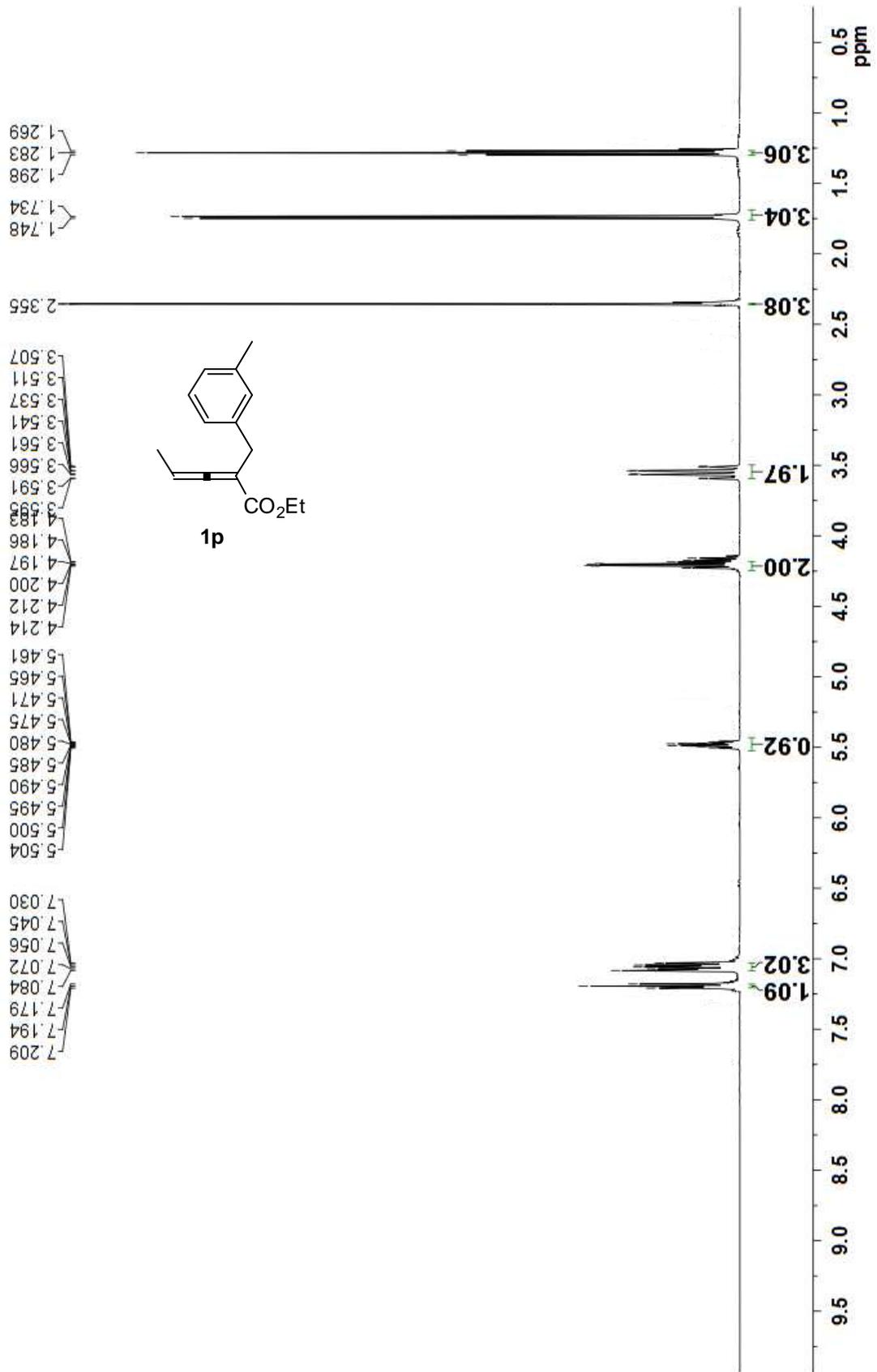


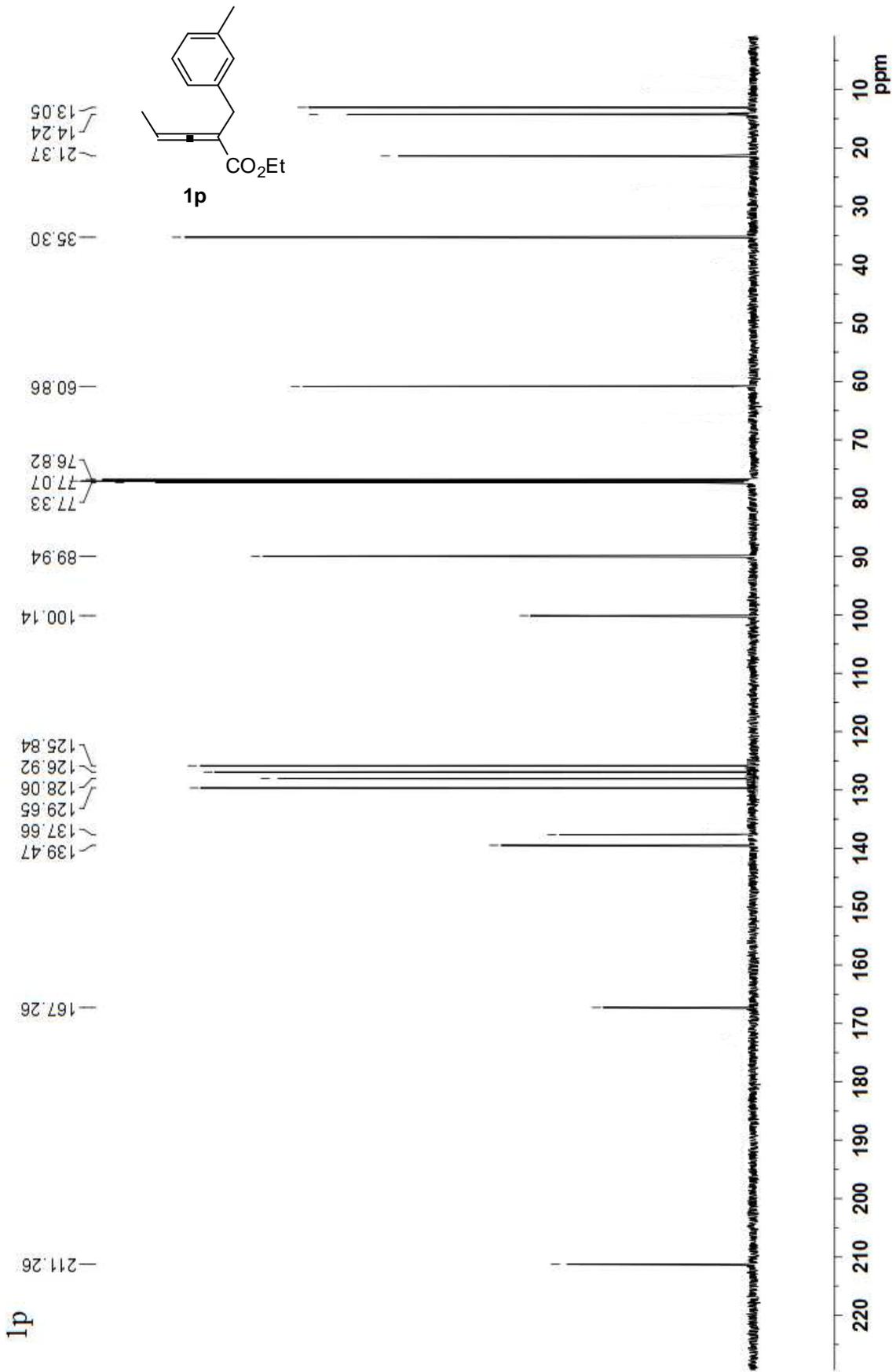




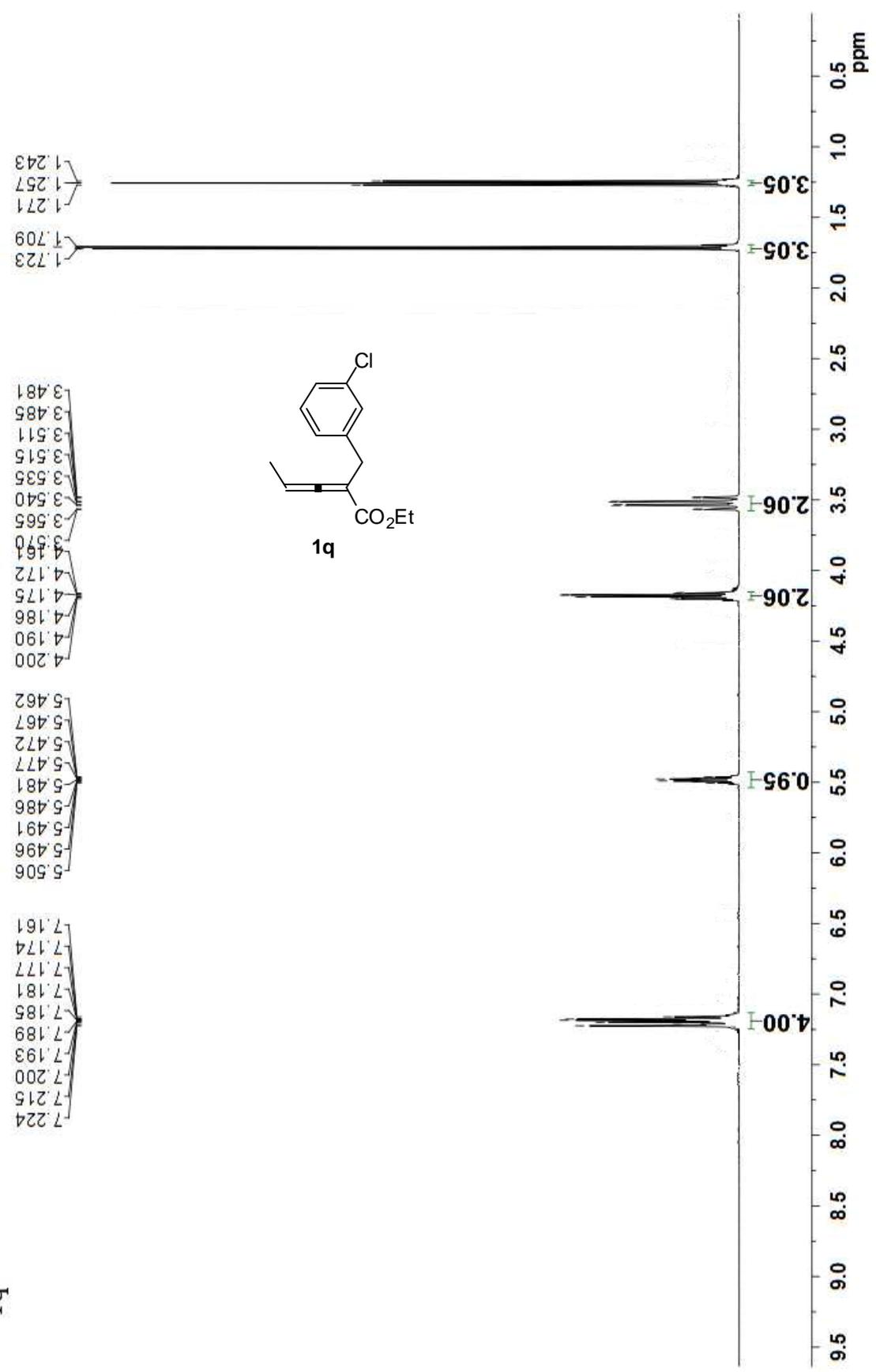


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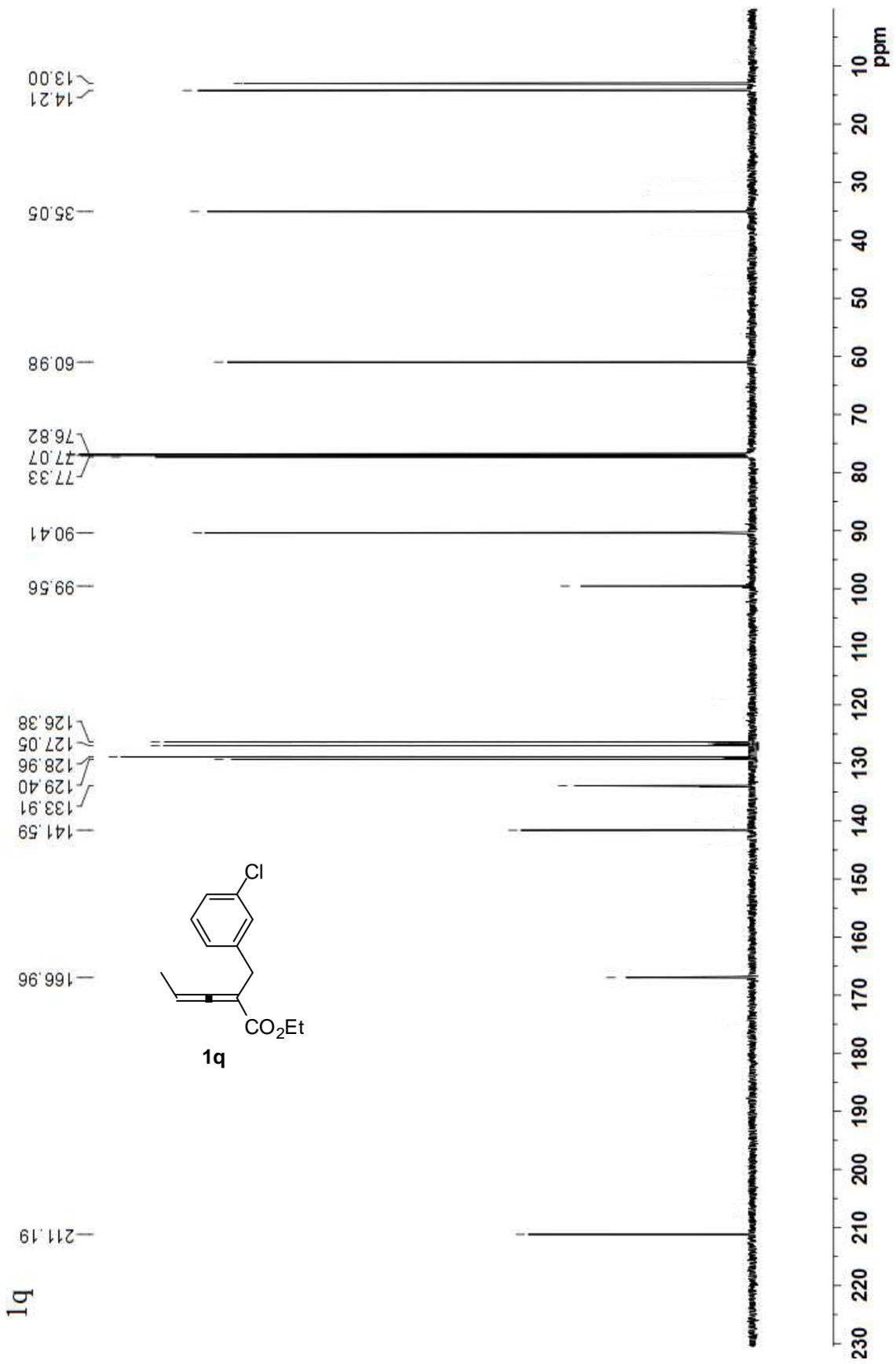




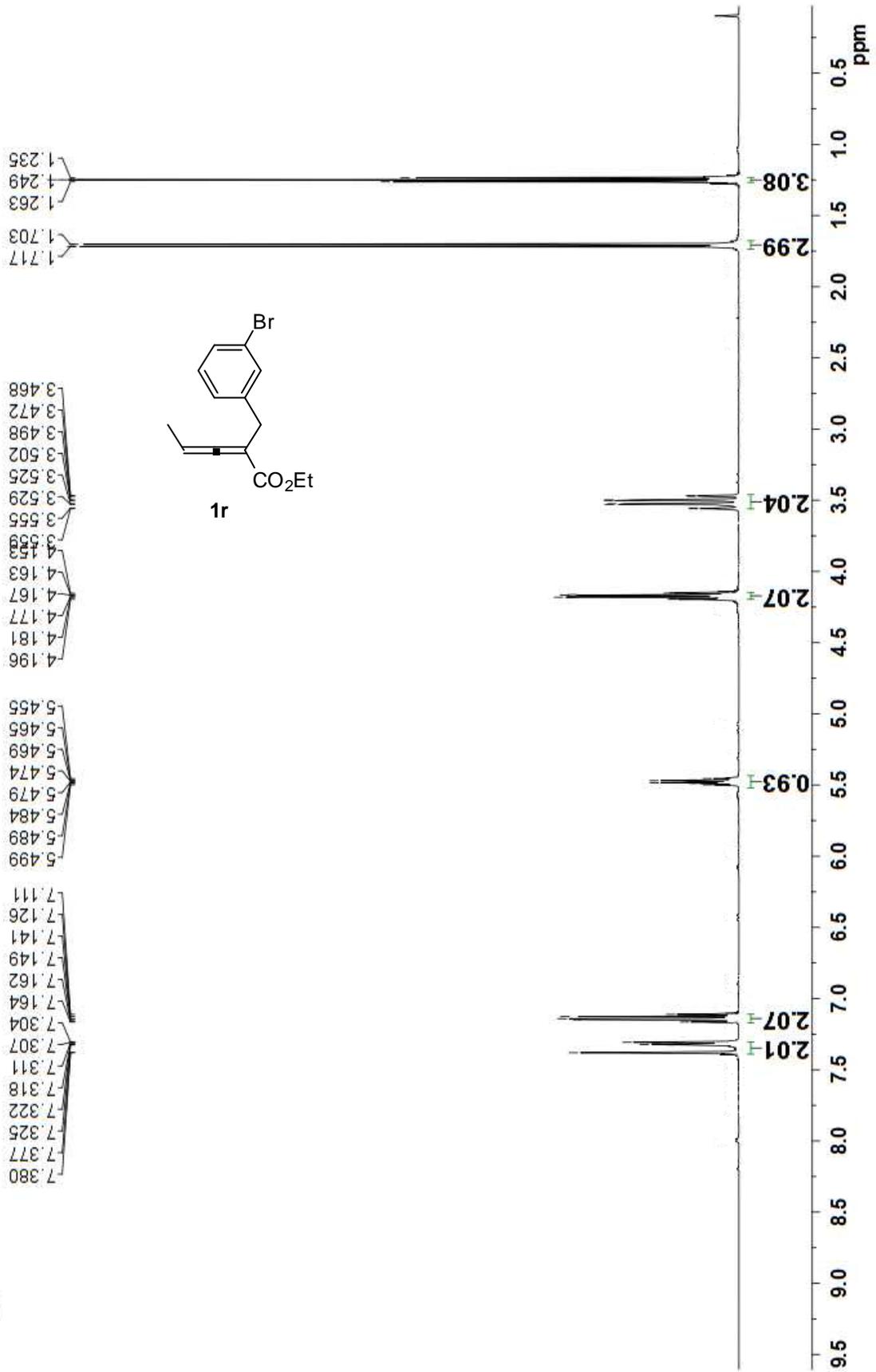
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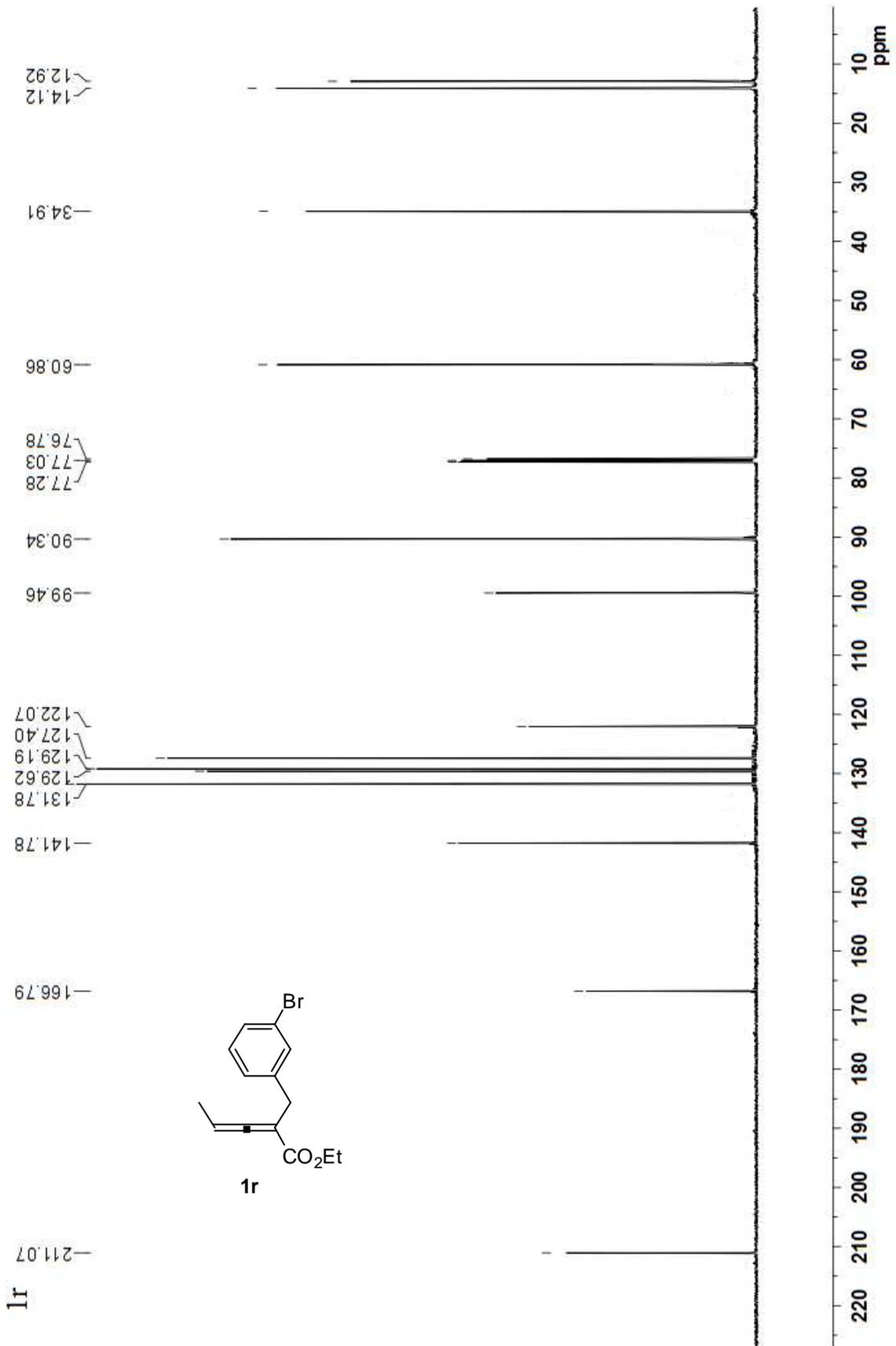


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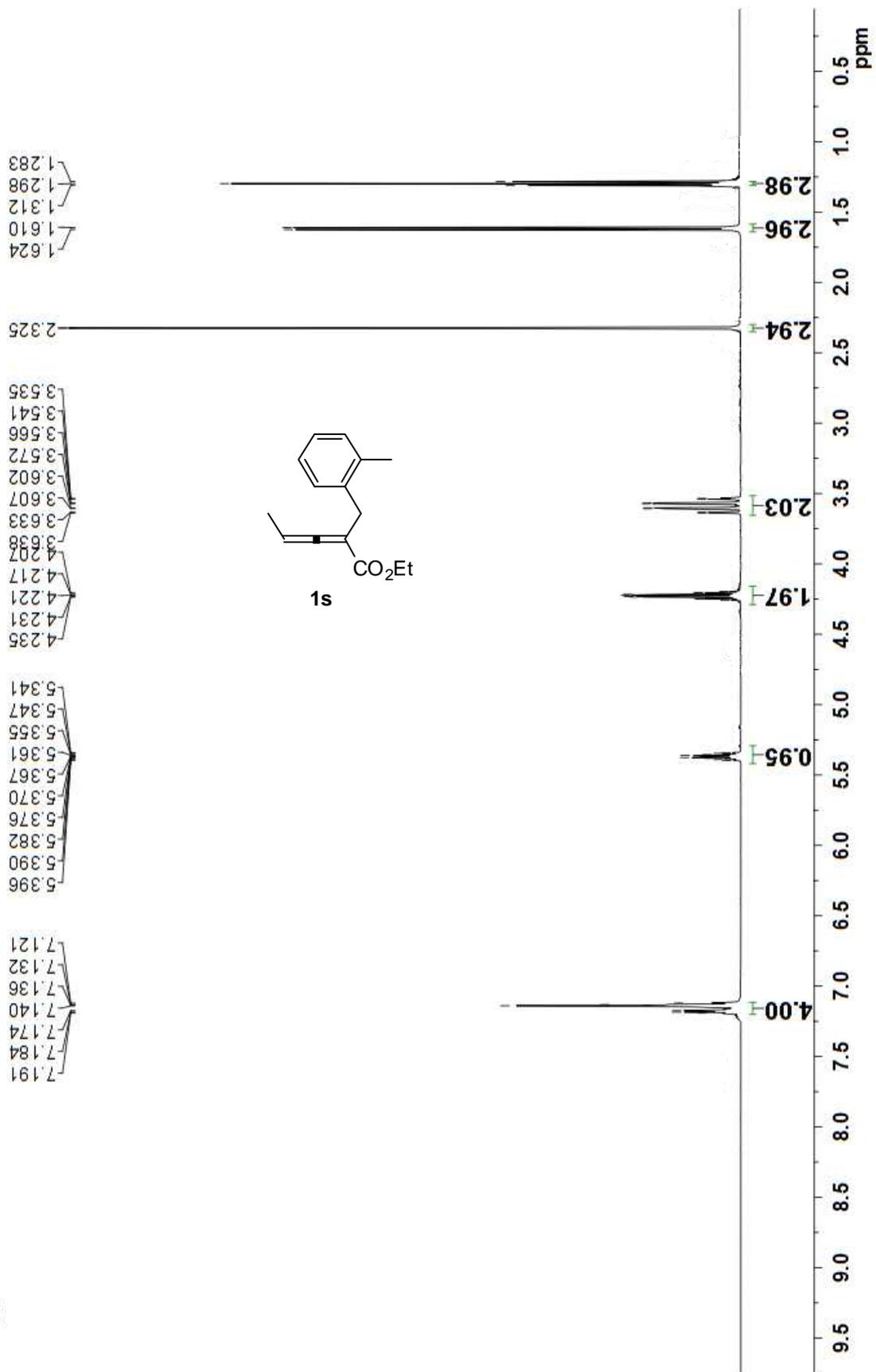


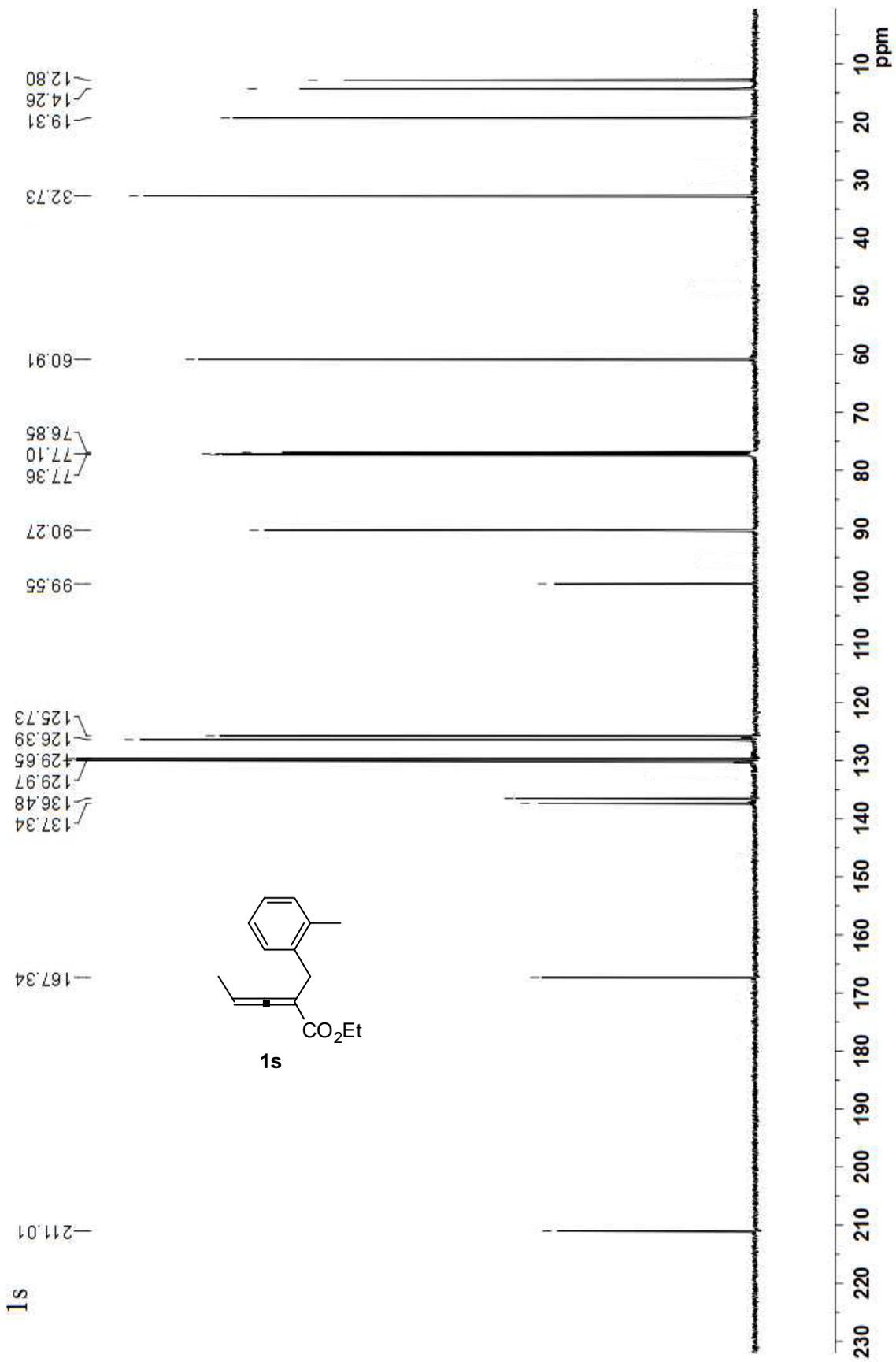
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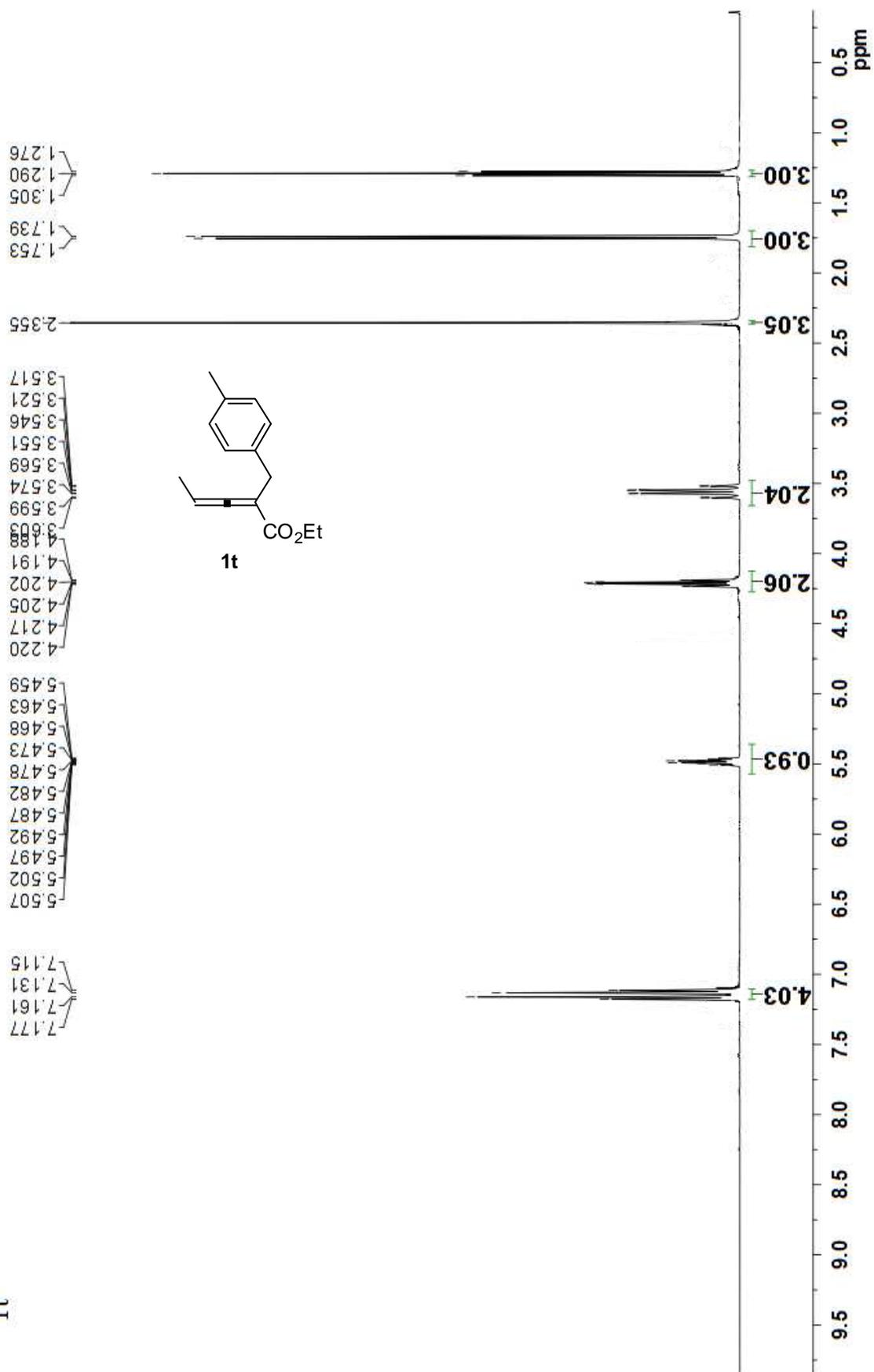


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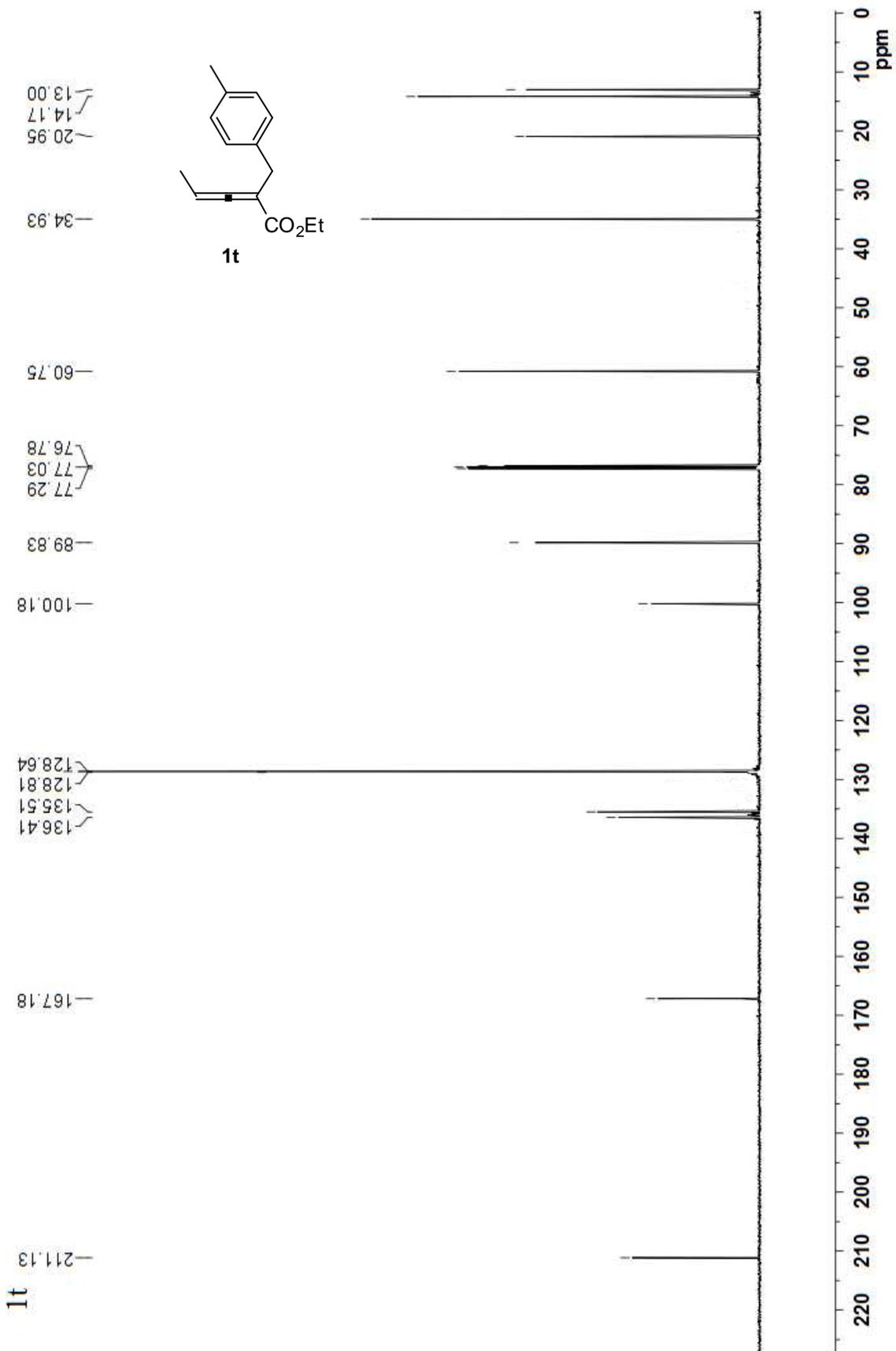


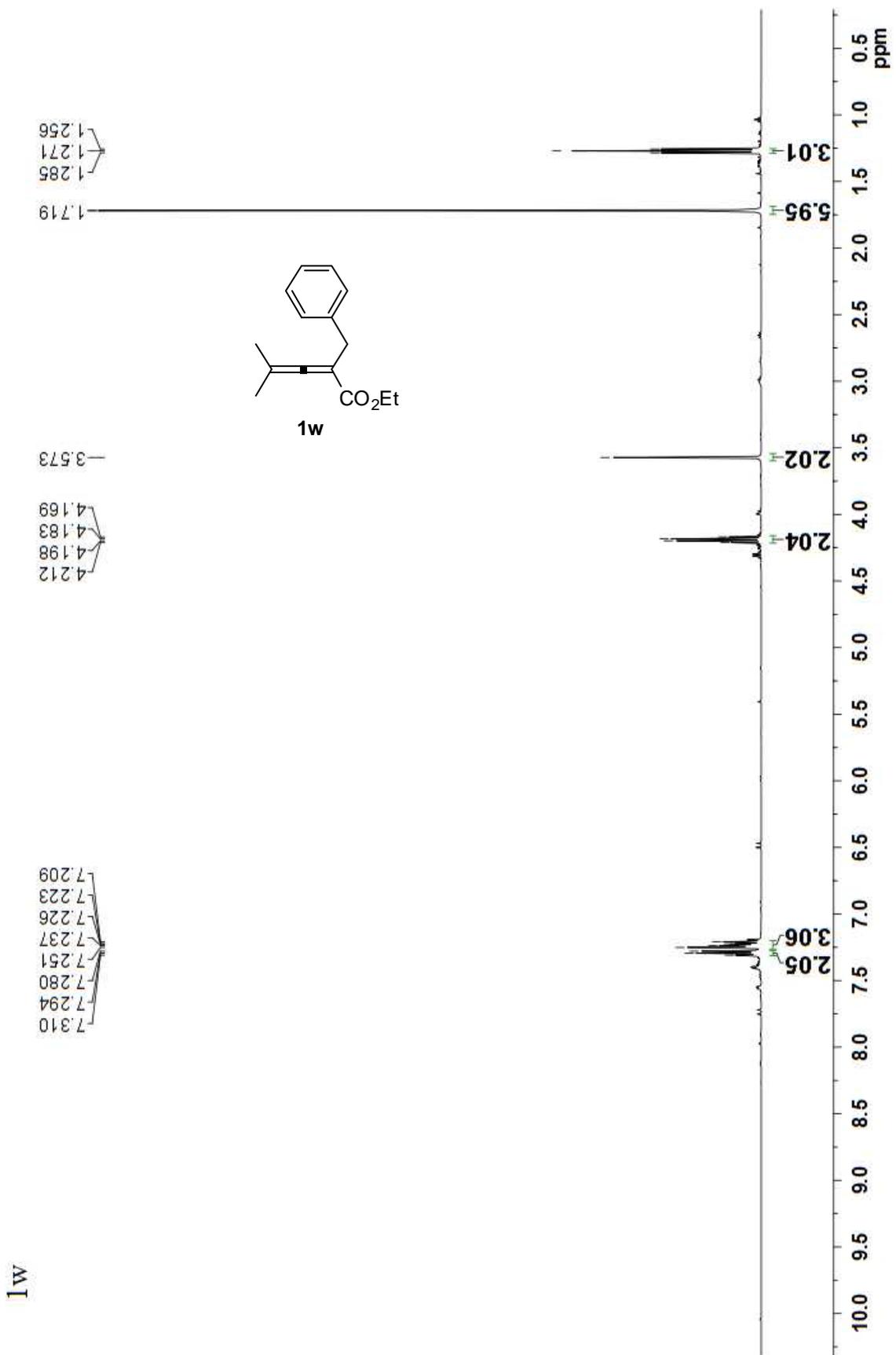


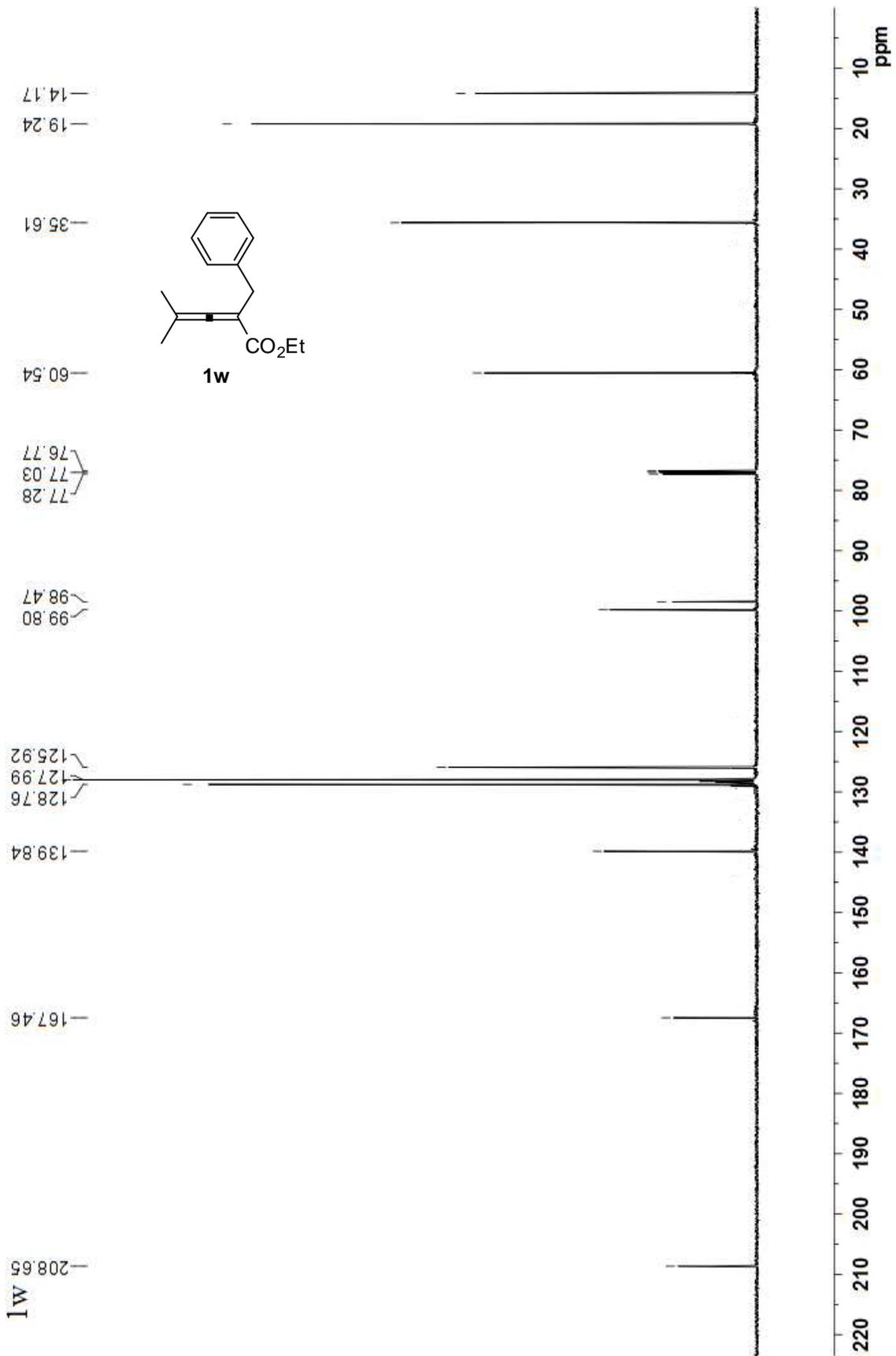
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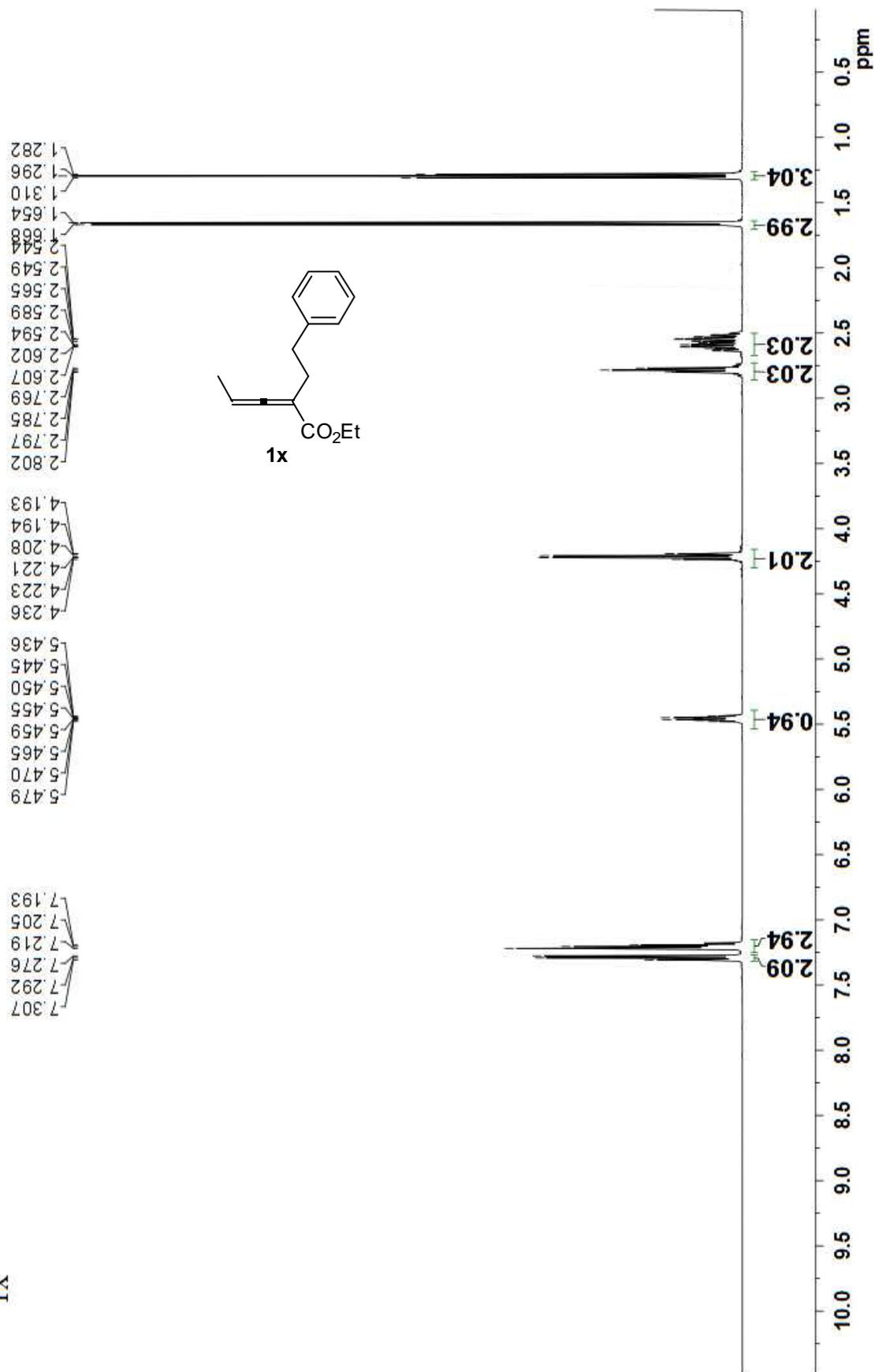
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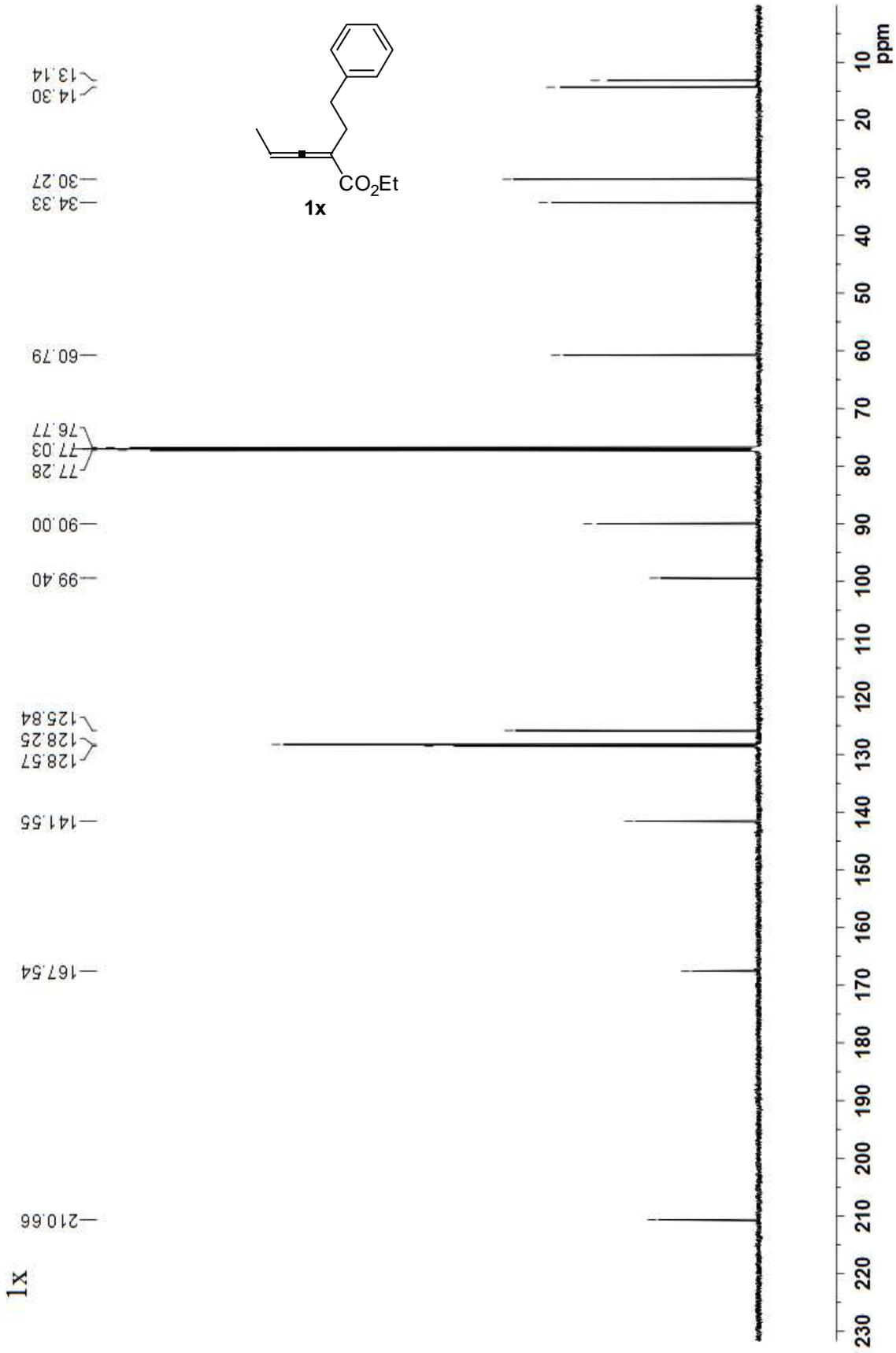




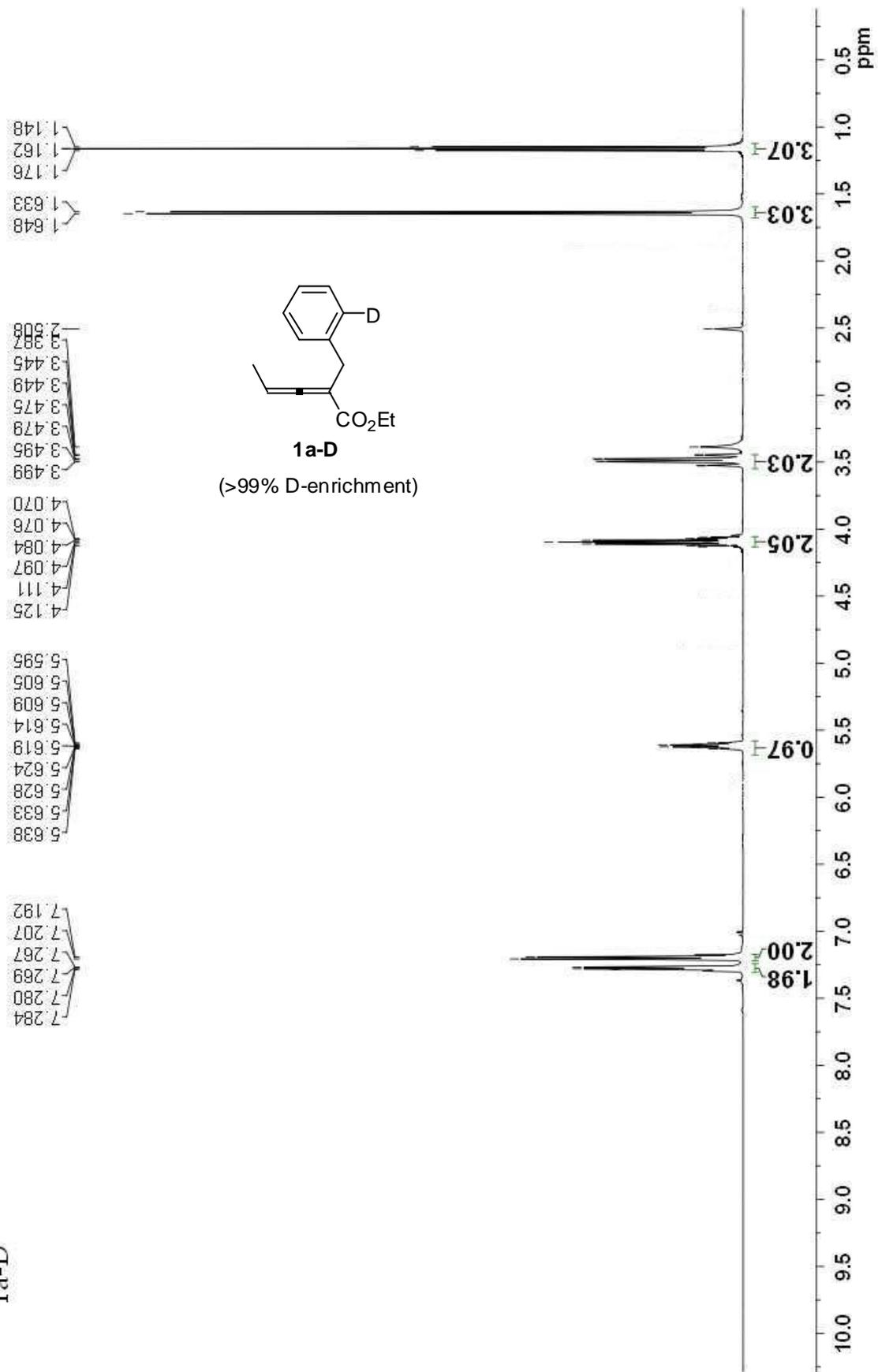


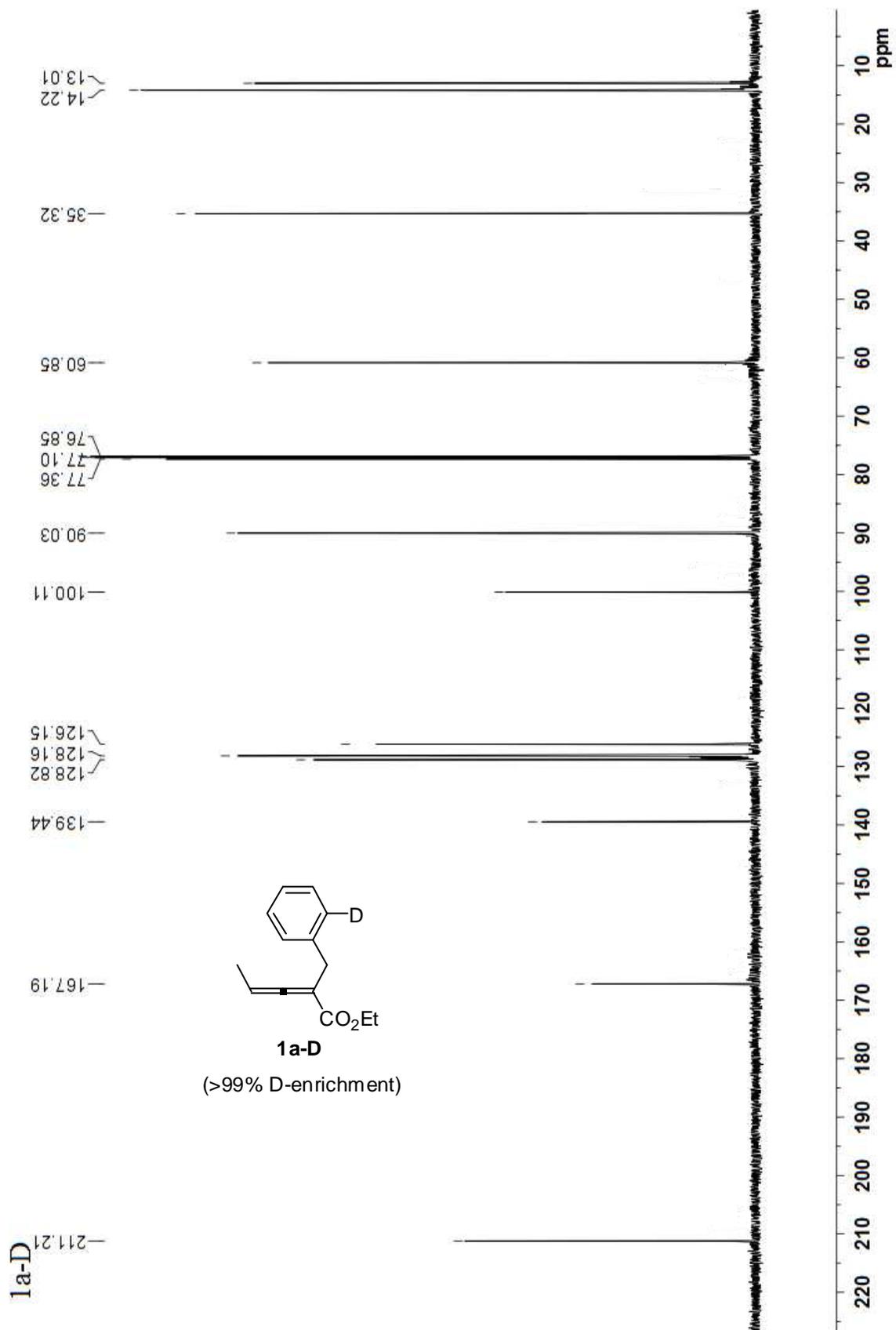
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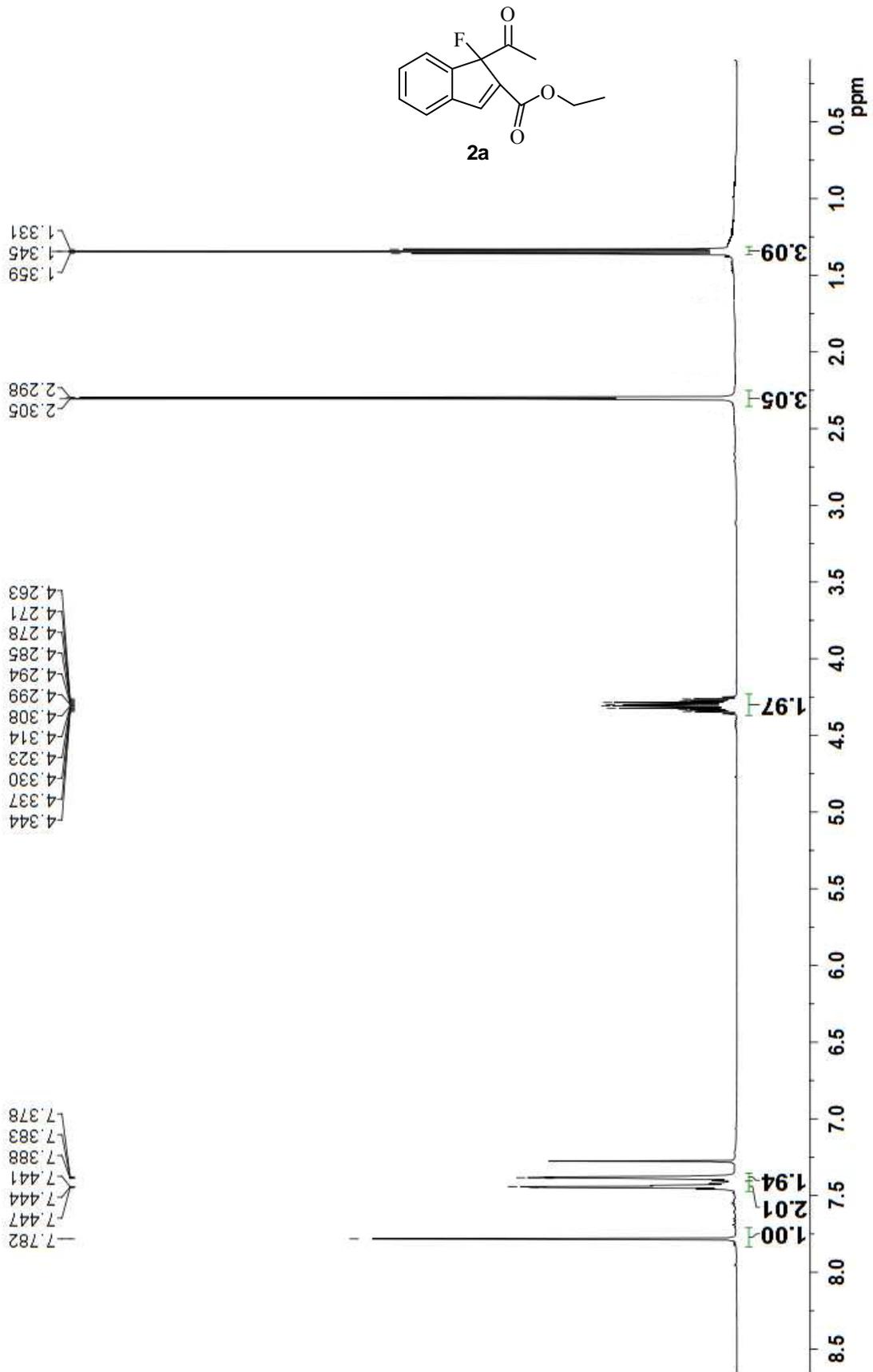


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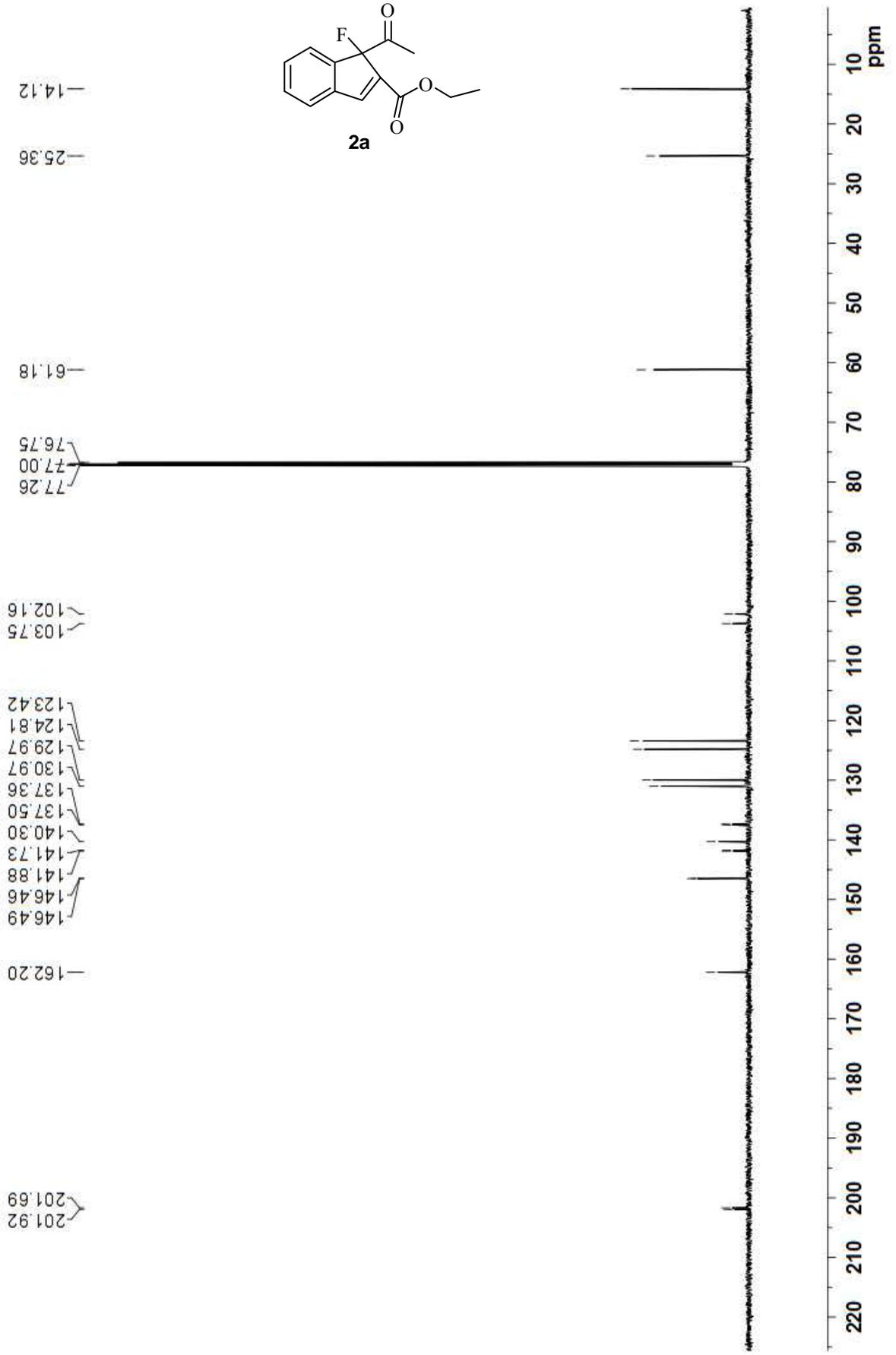




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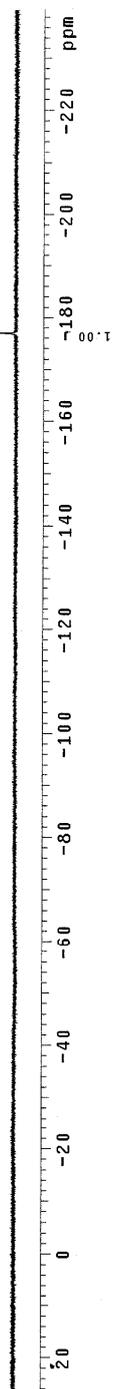
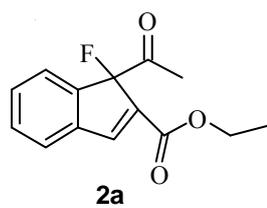


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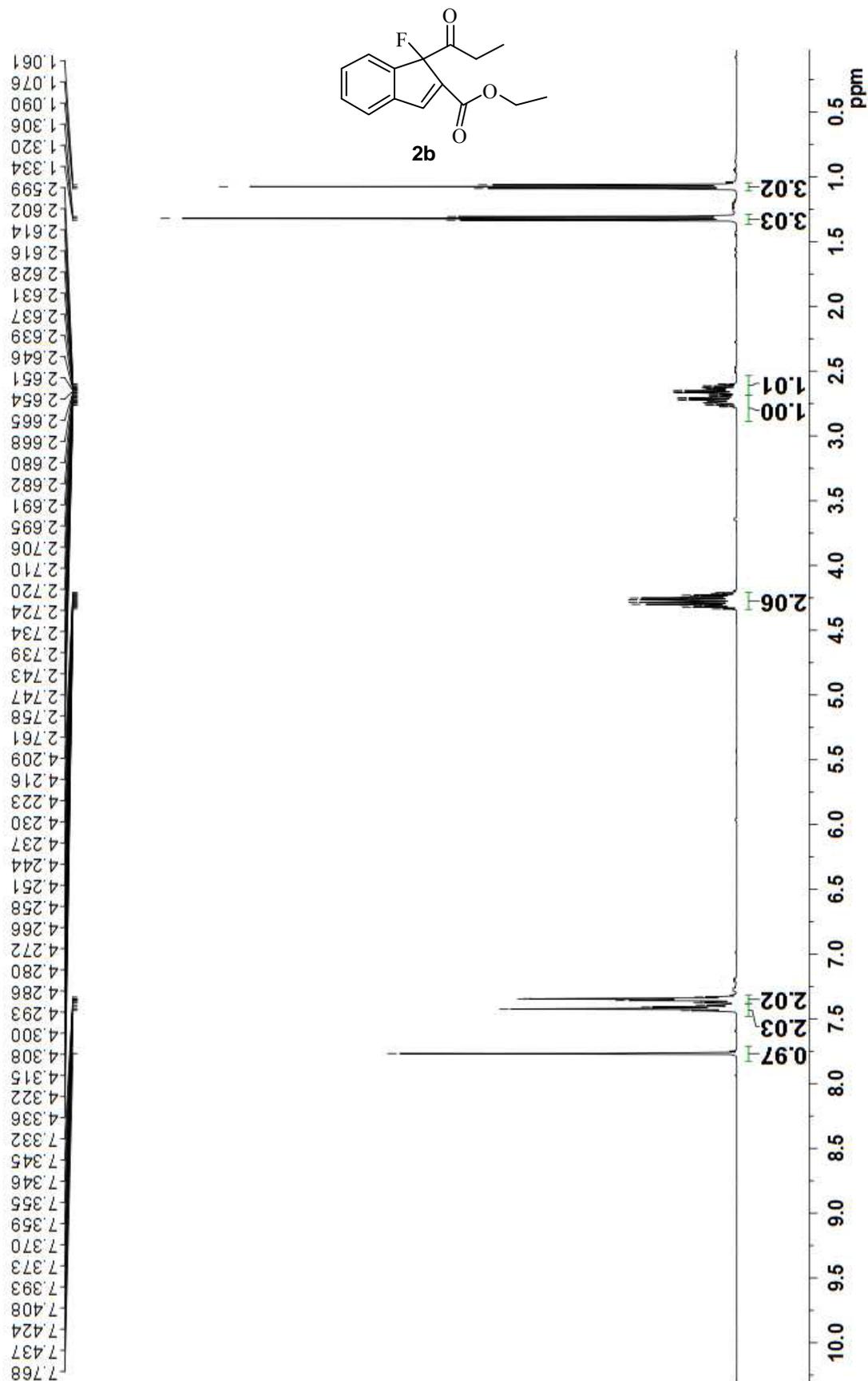


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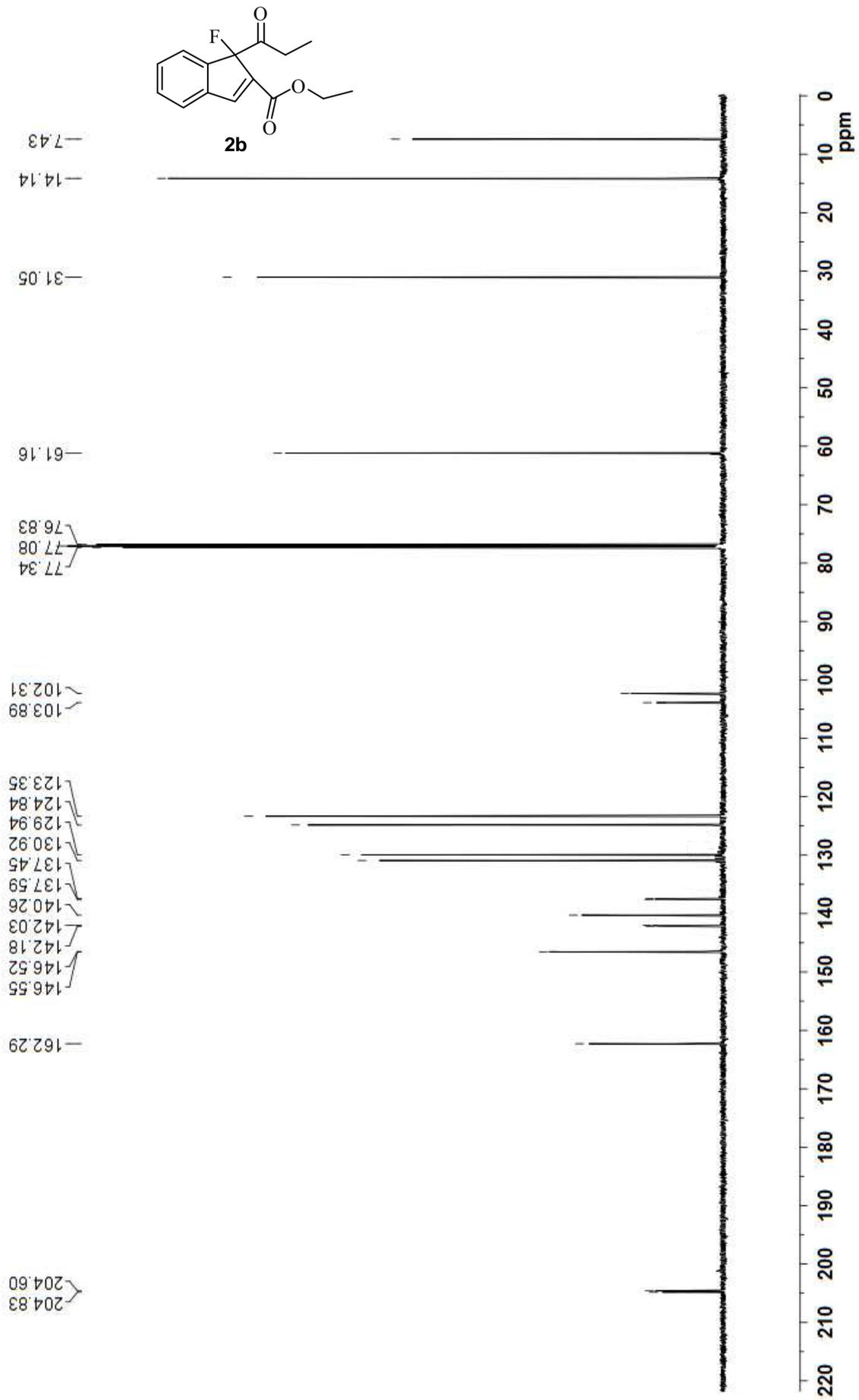
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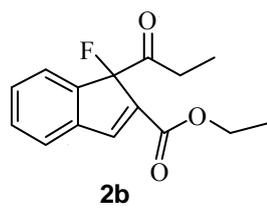


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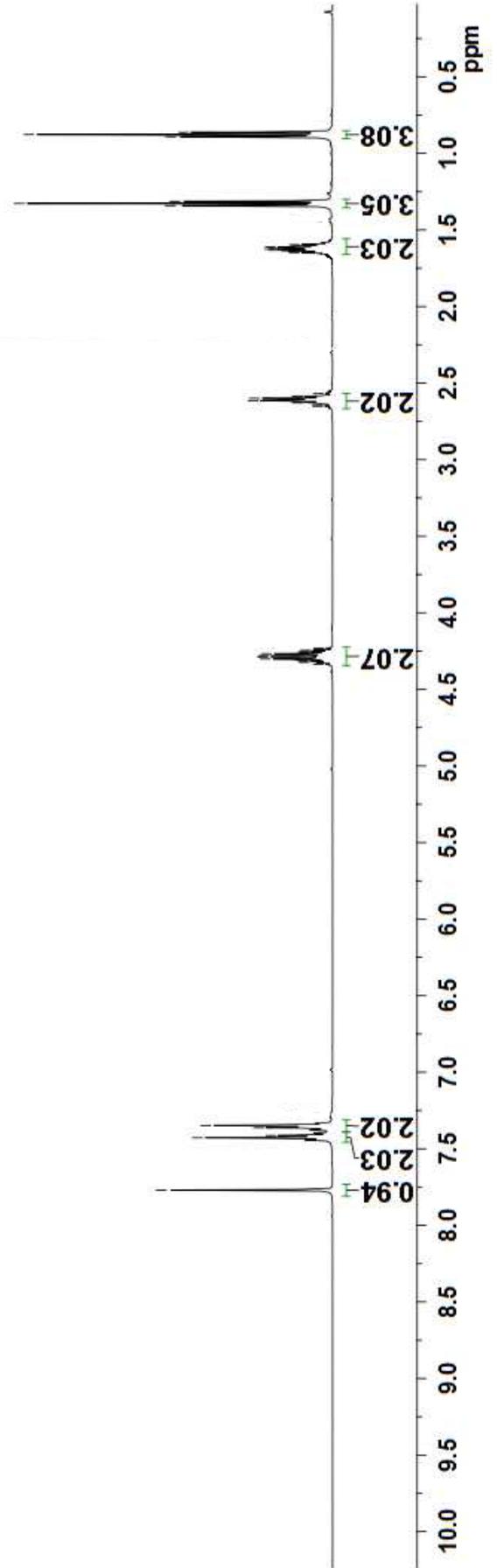
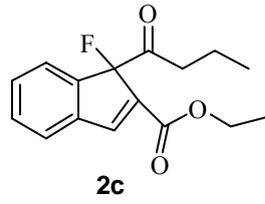
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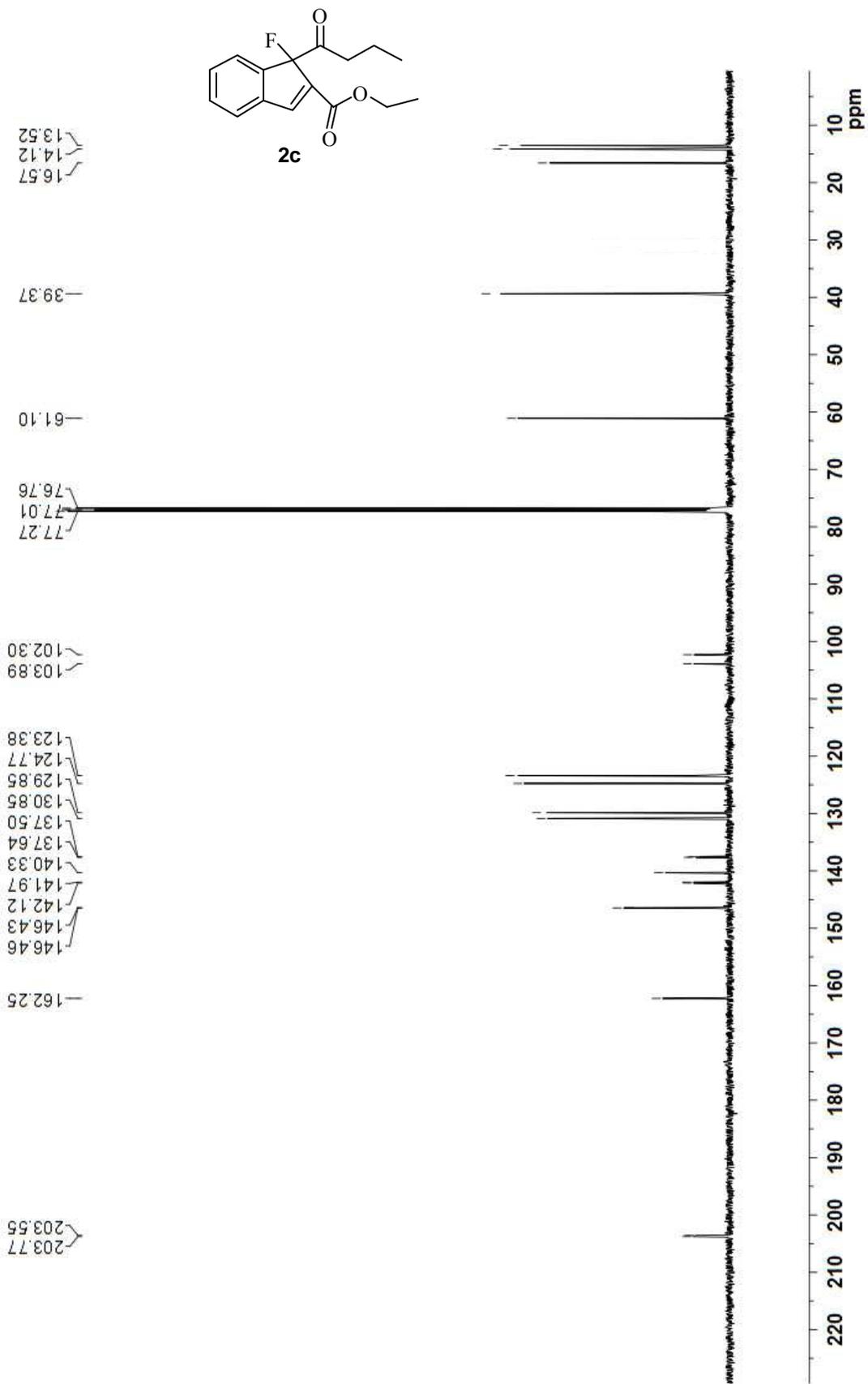


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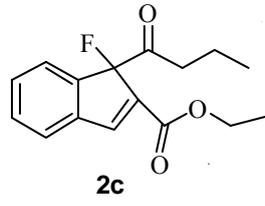


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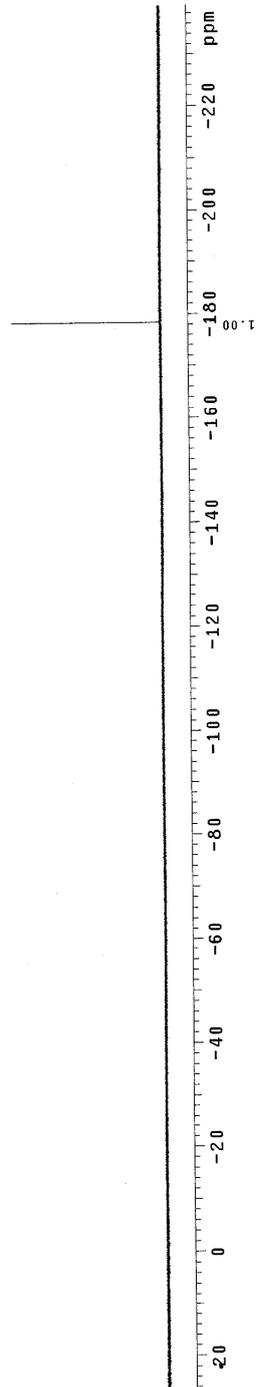


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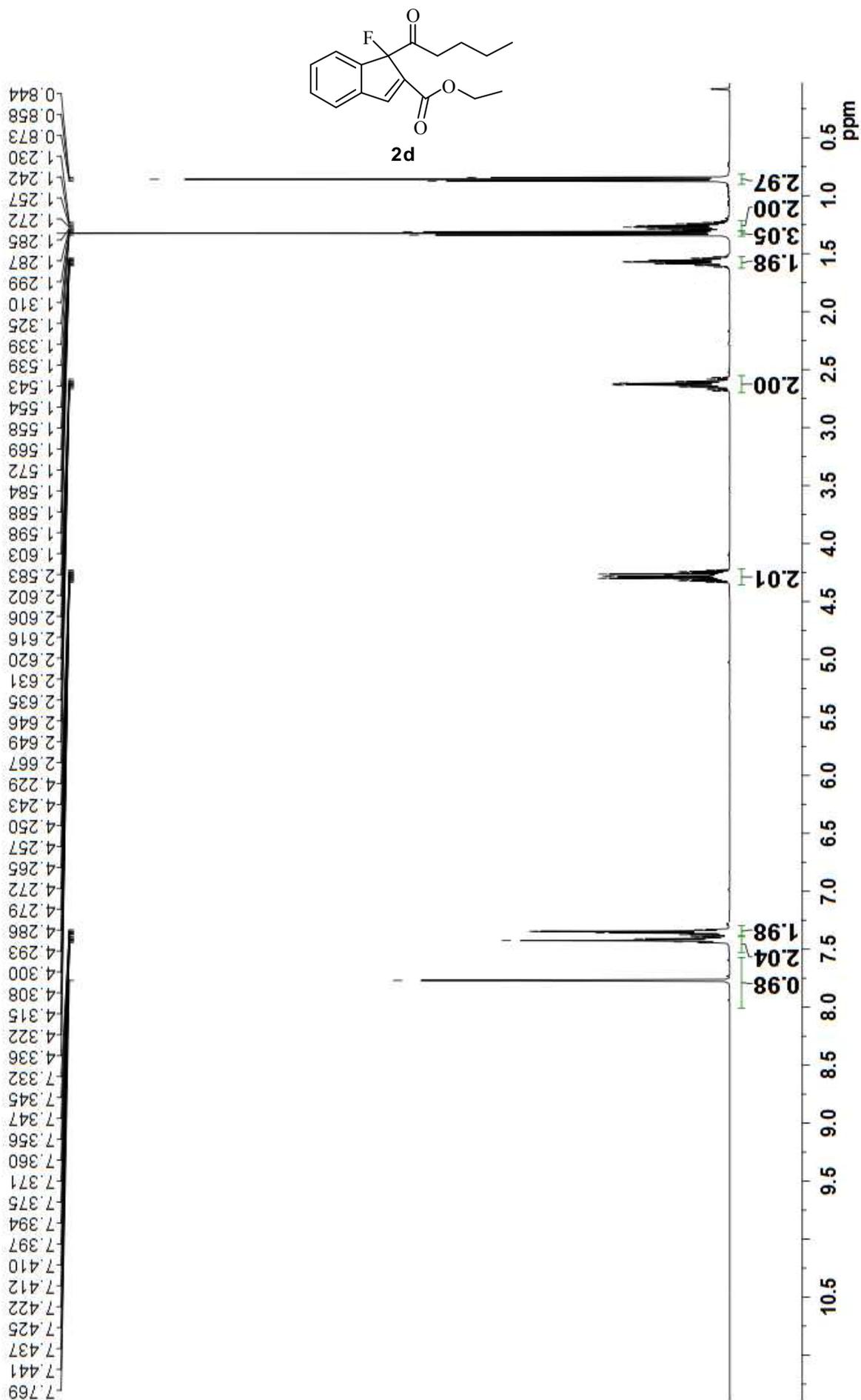
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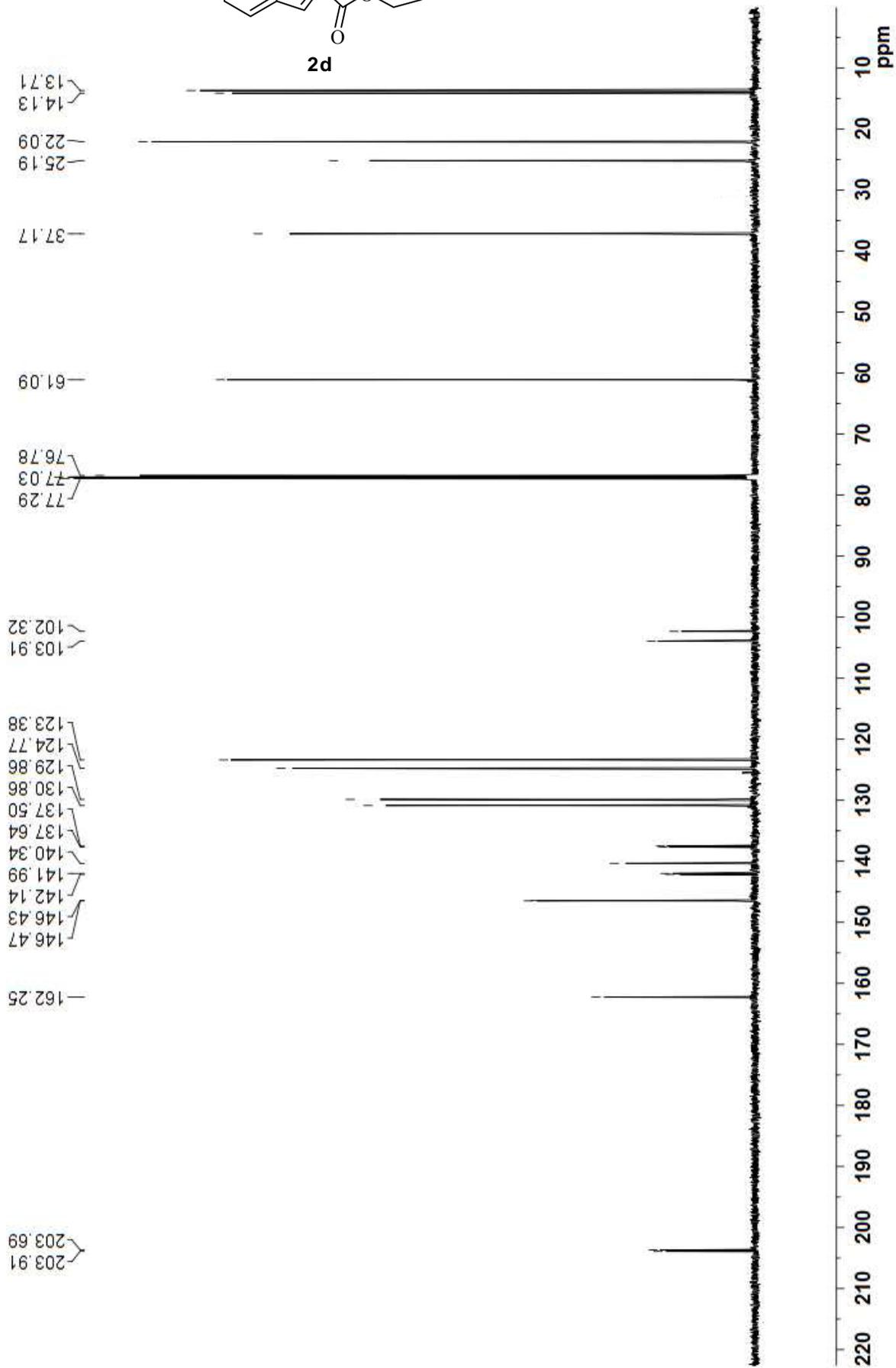
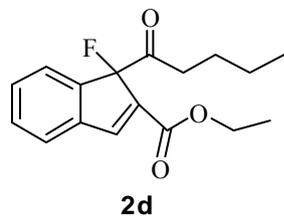


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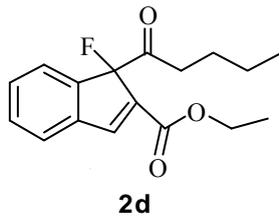


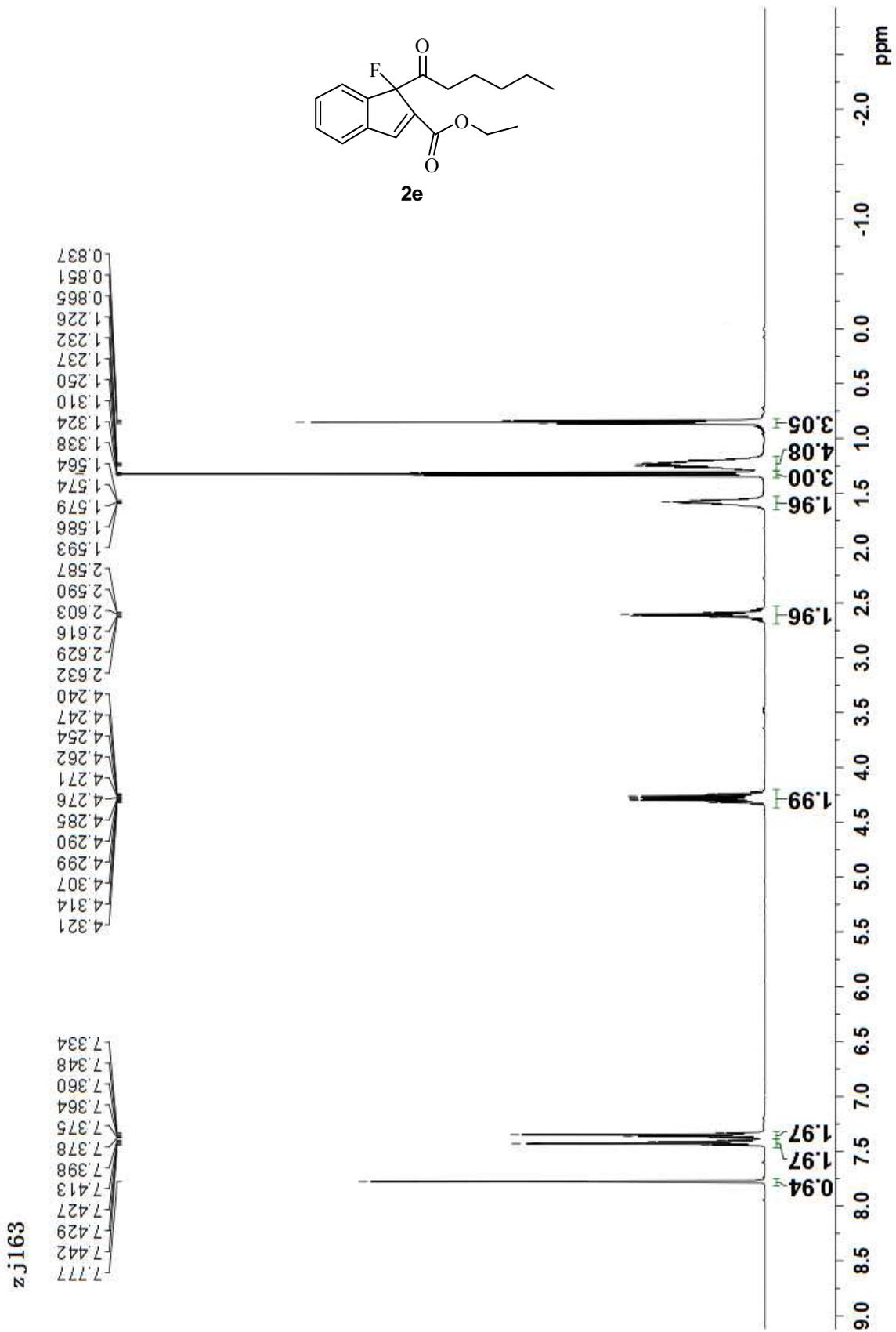
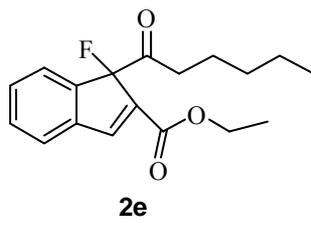


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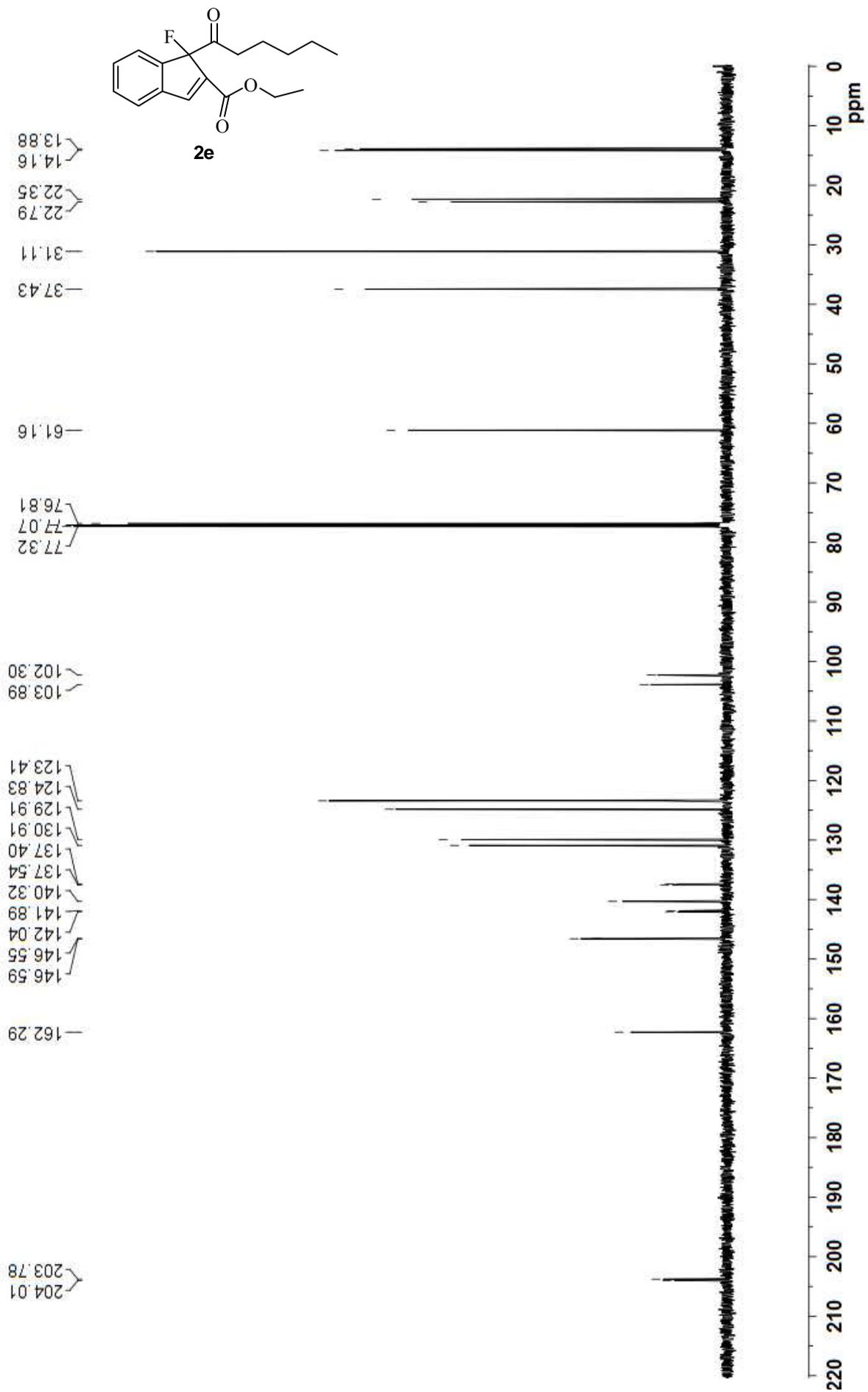
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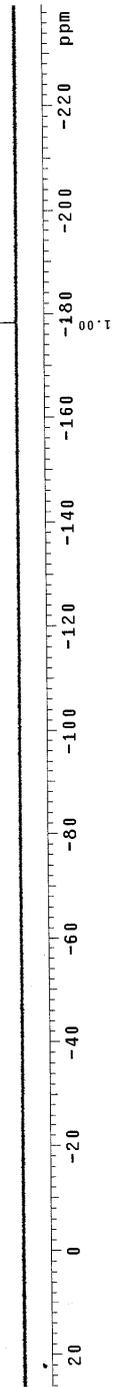
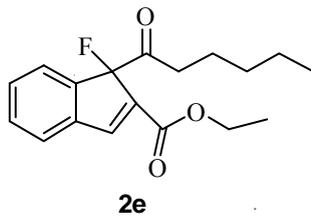


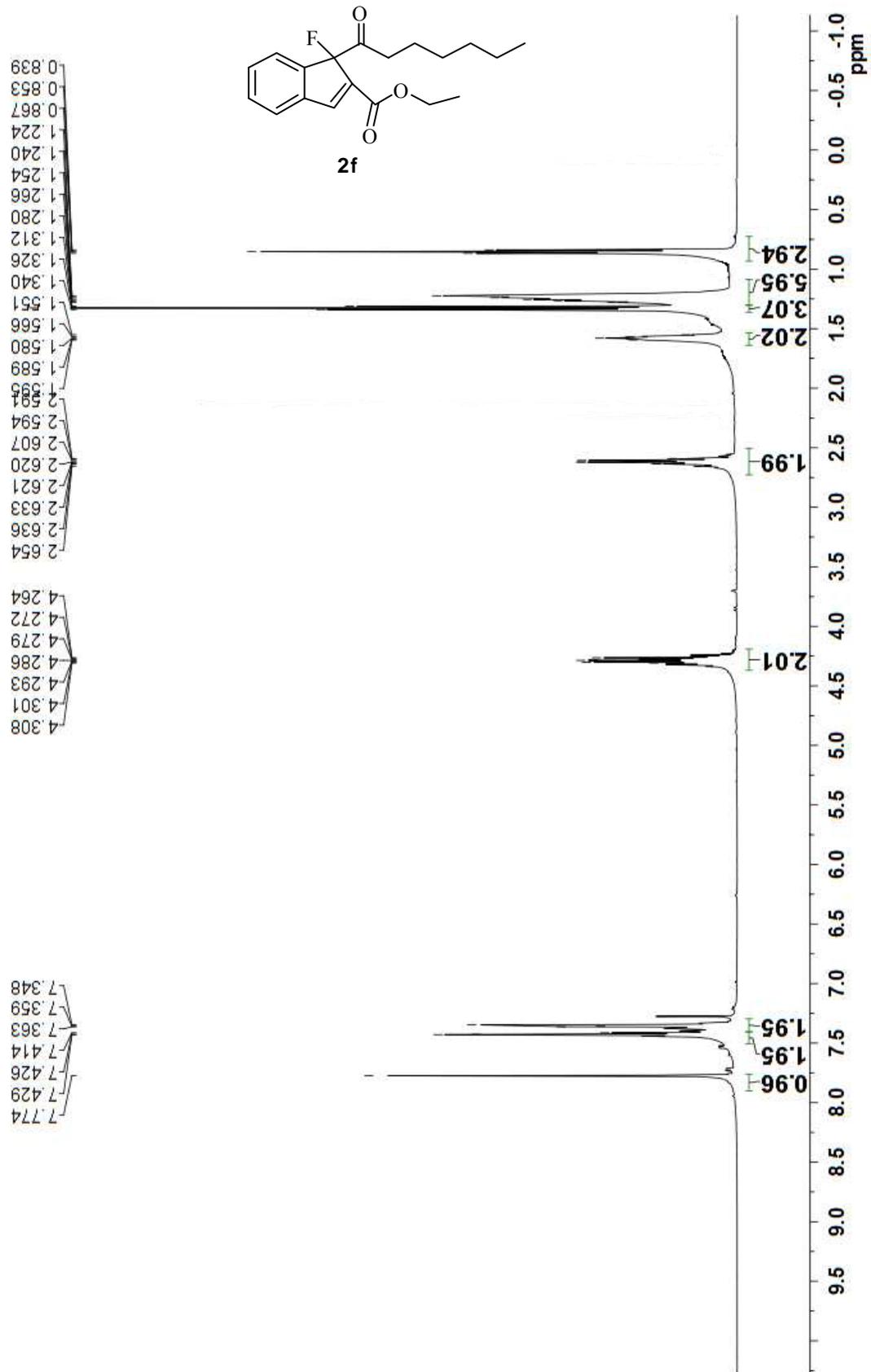
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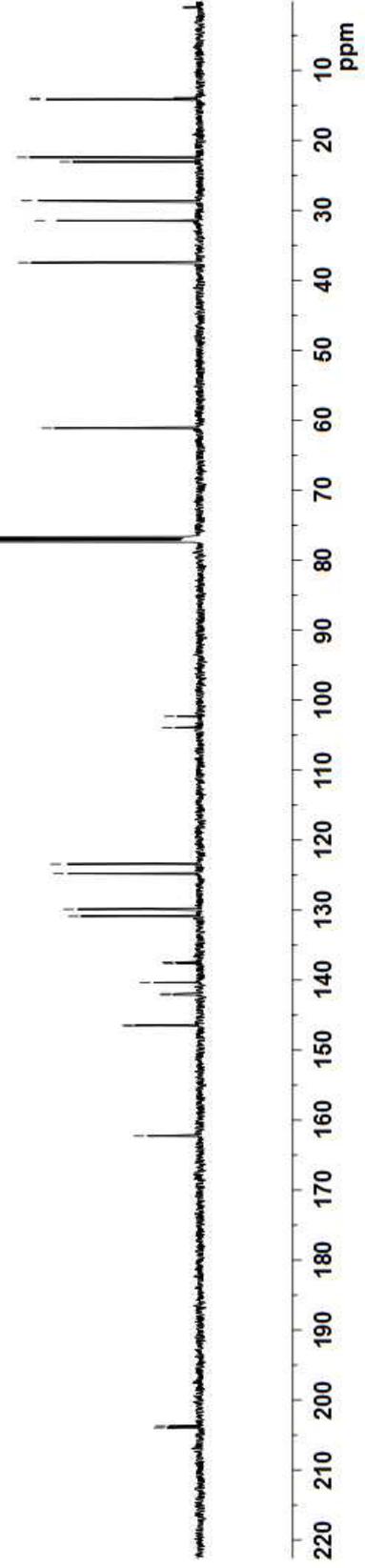
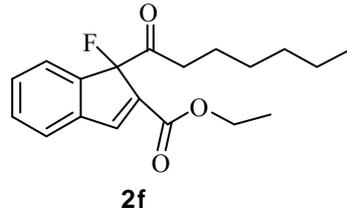
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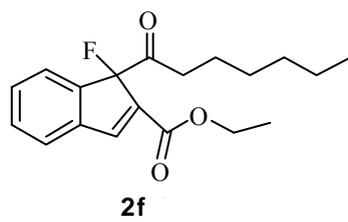
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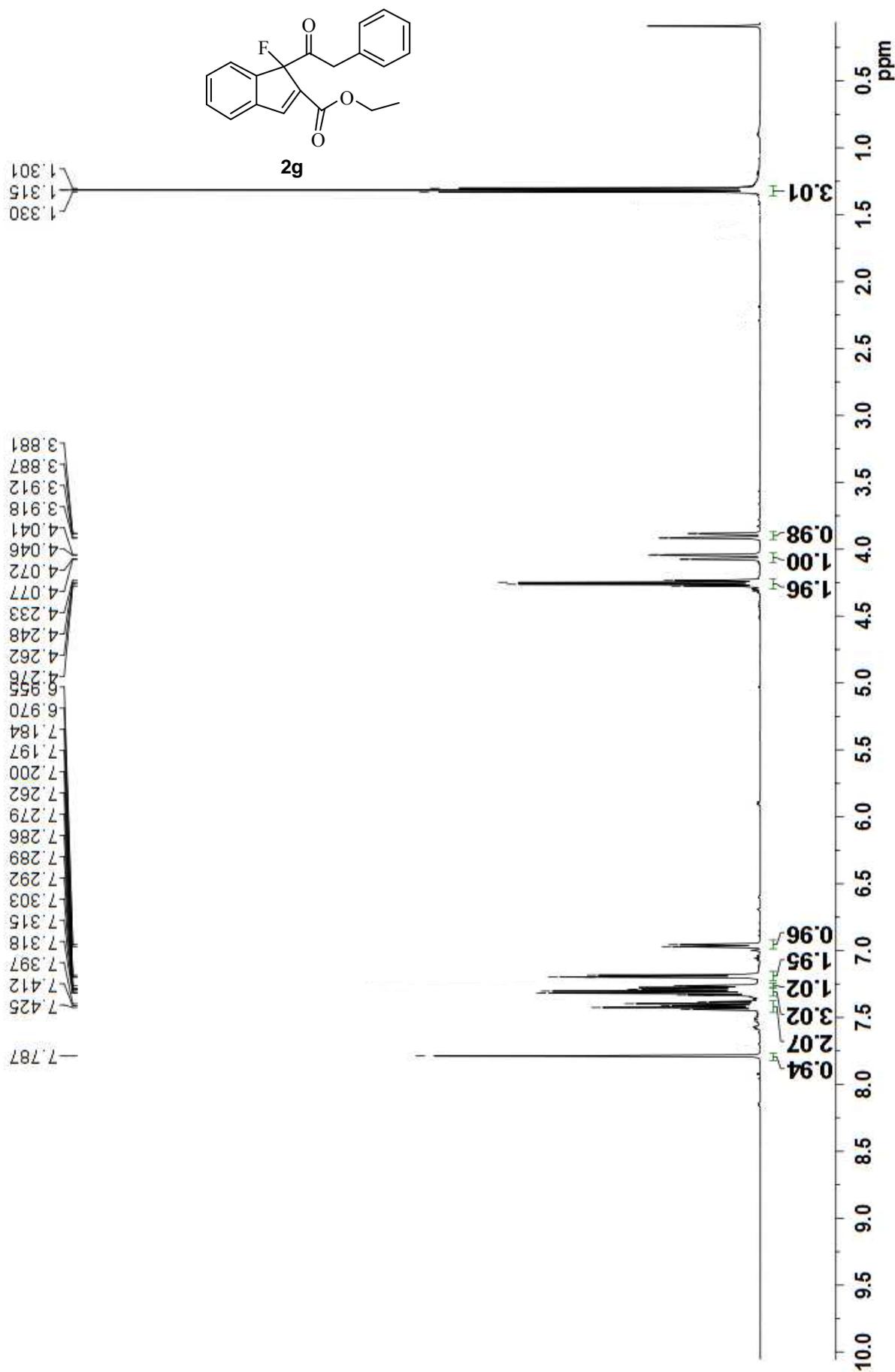


zj169 CDC13 F19
Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

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zj170



zj170

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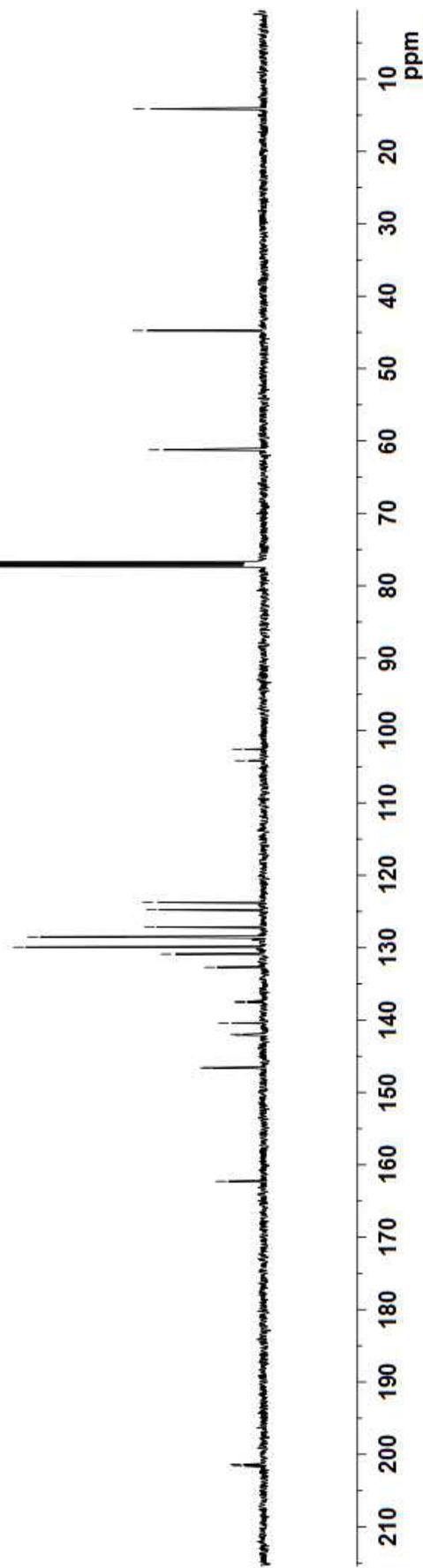
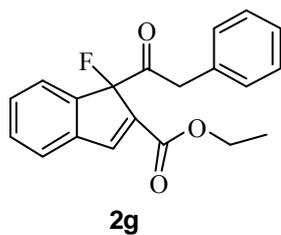
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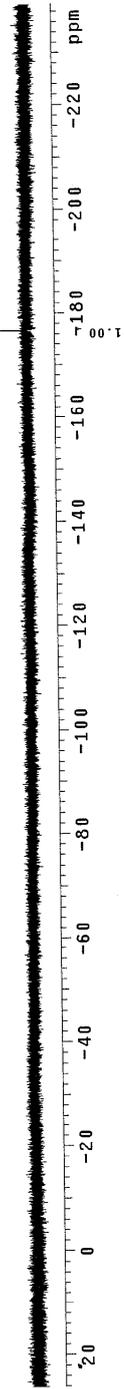
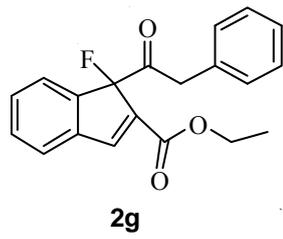
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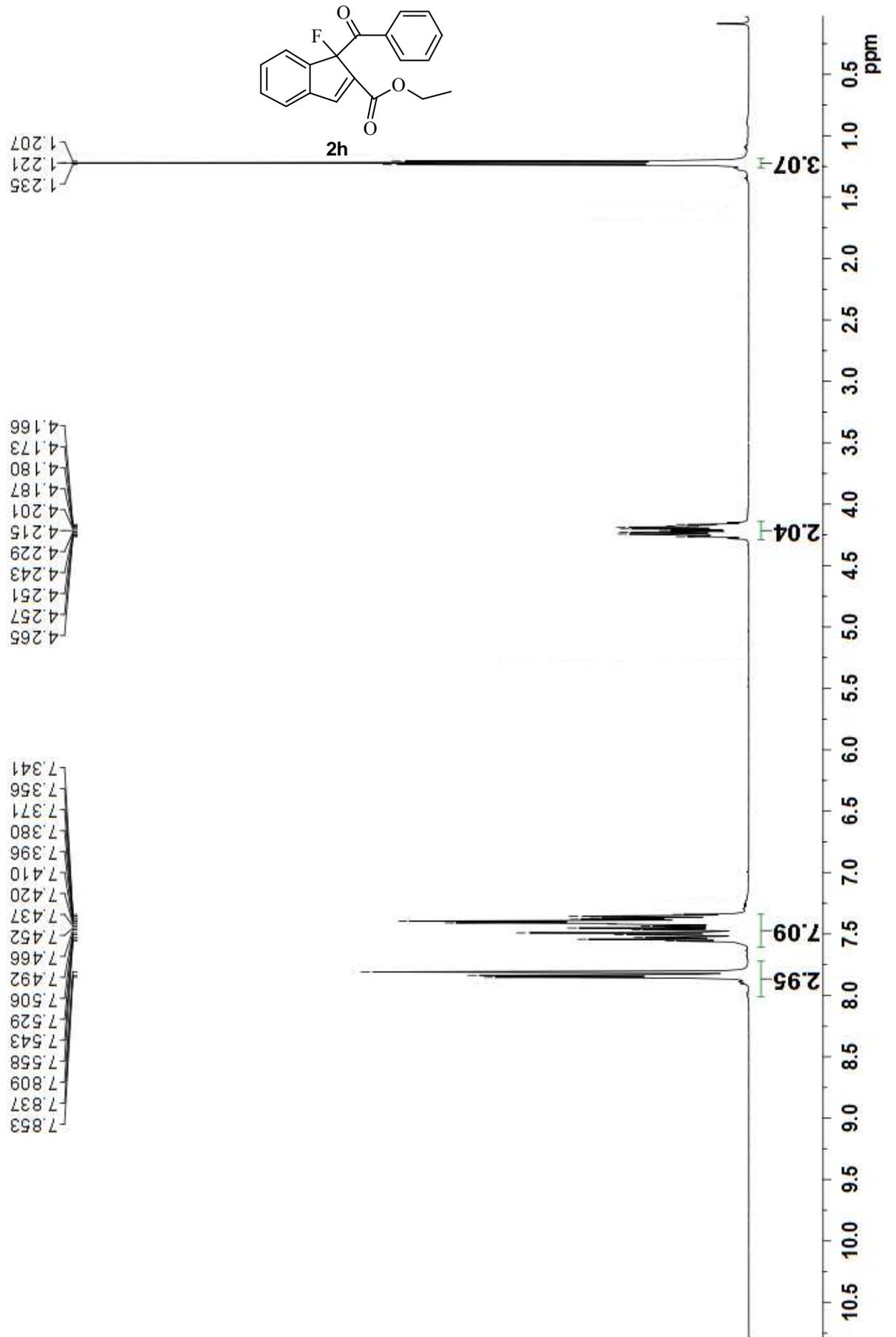


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Pulse Sequence: s2pul

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zj167



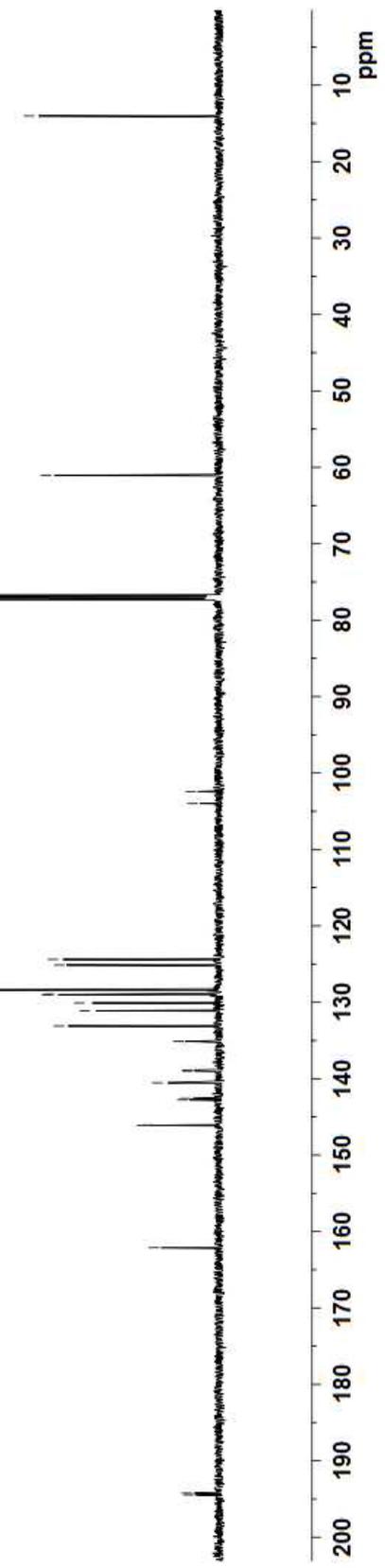
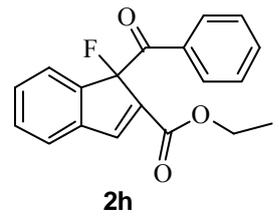
zj167

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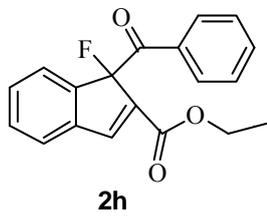
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zj167 CDC13 F19
Pulse Sequence: s2pul

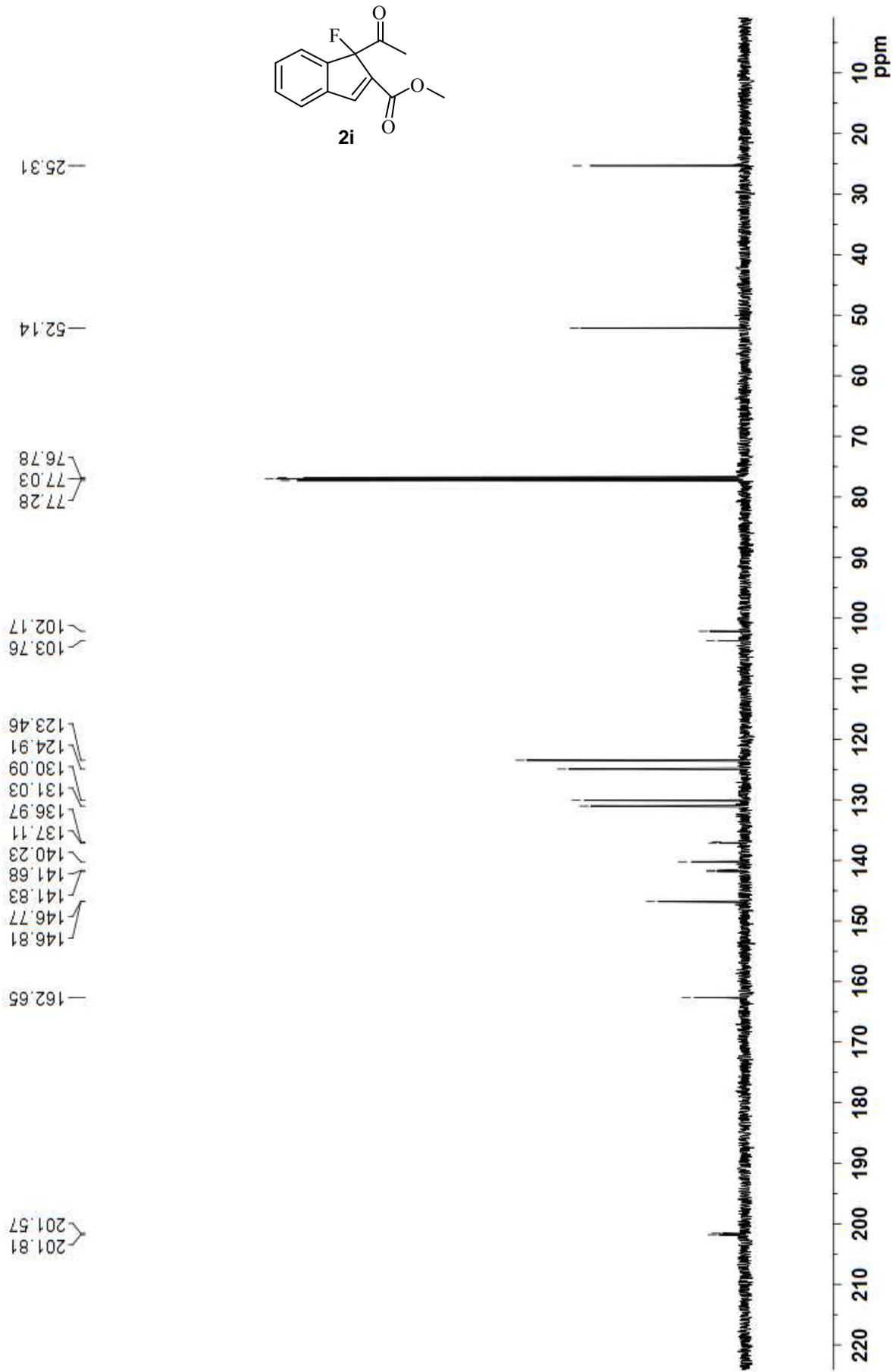
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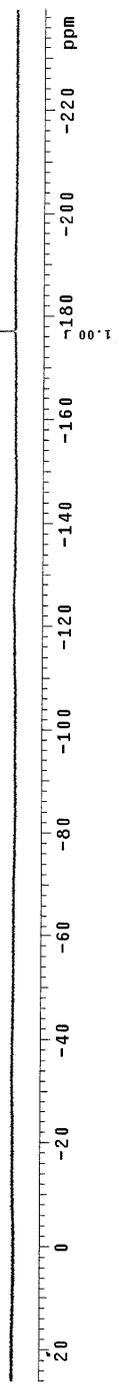
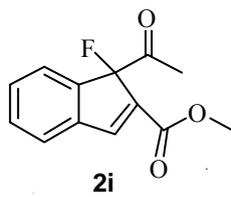


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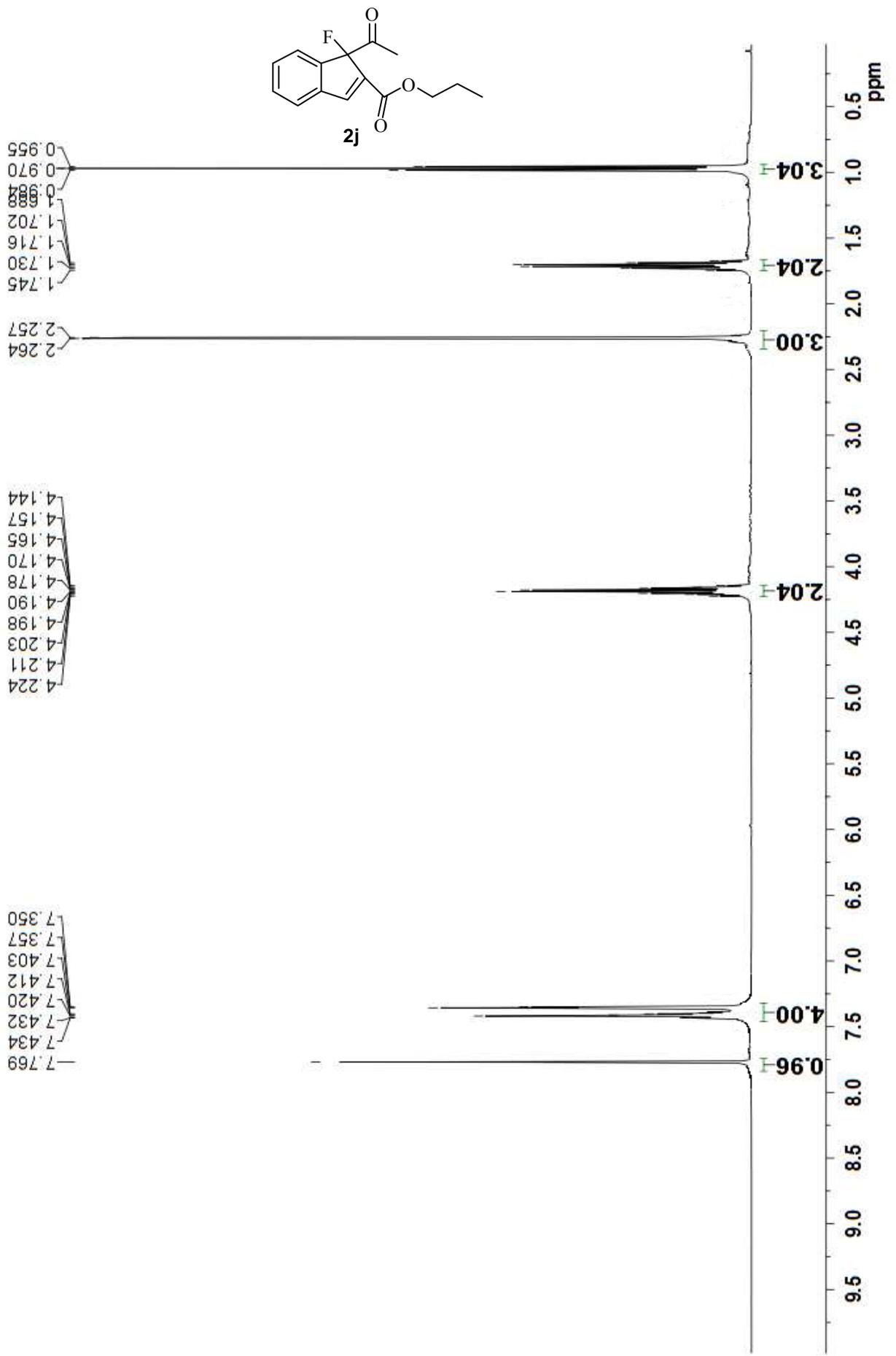


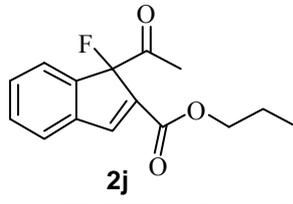
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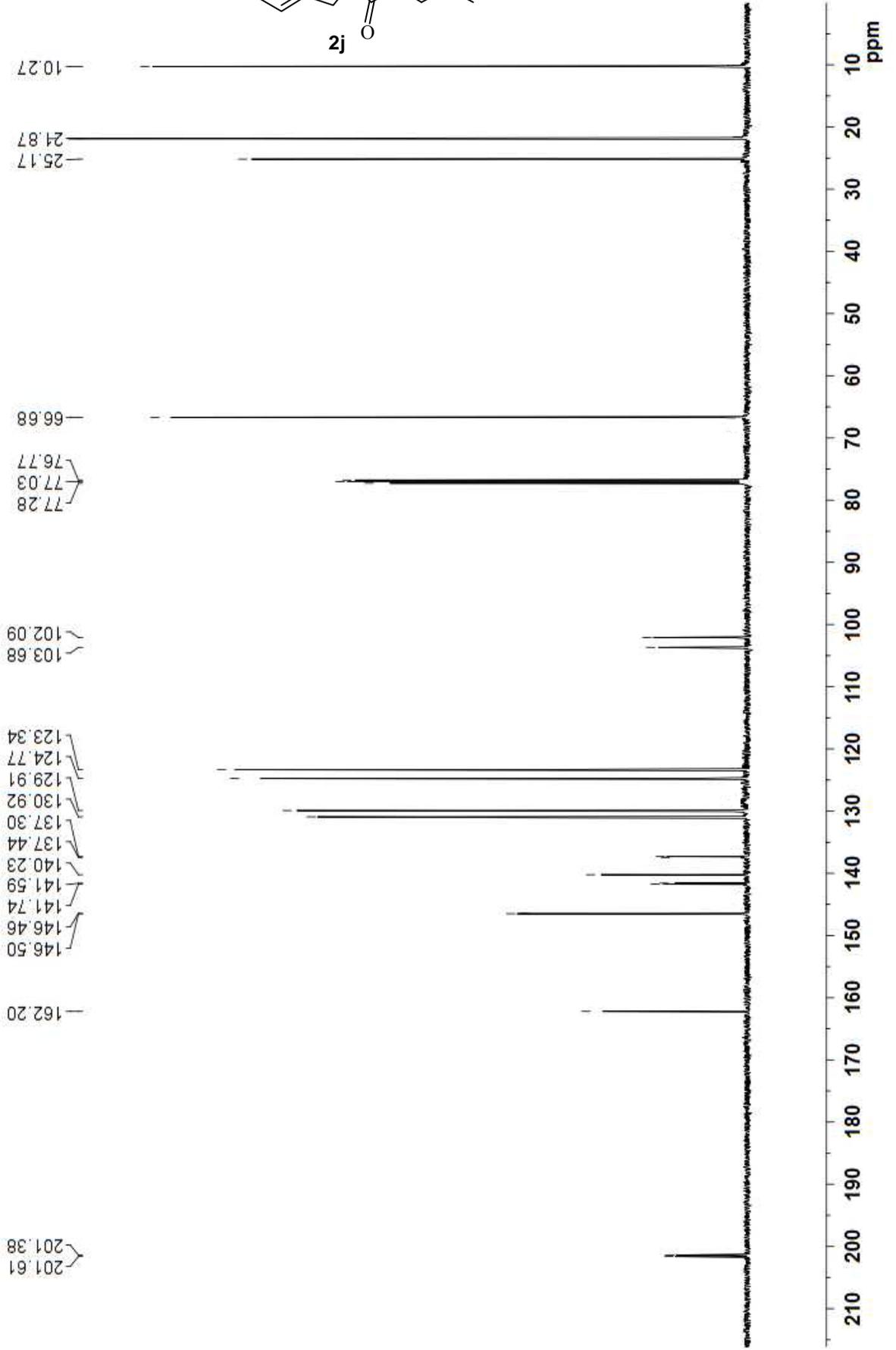


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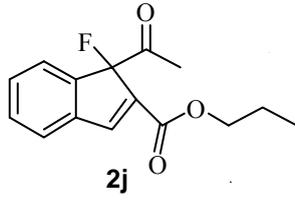


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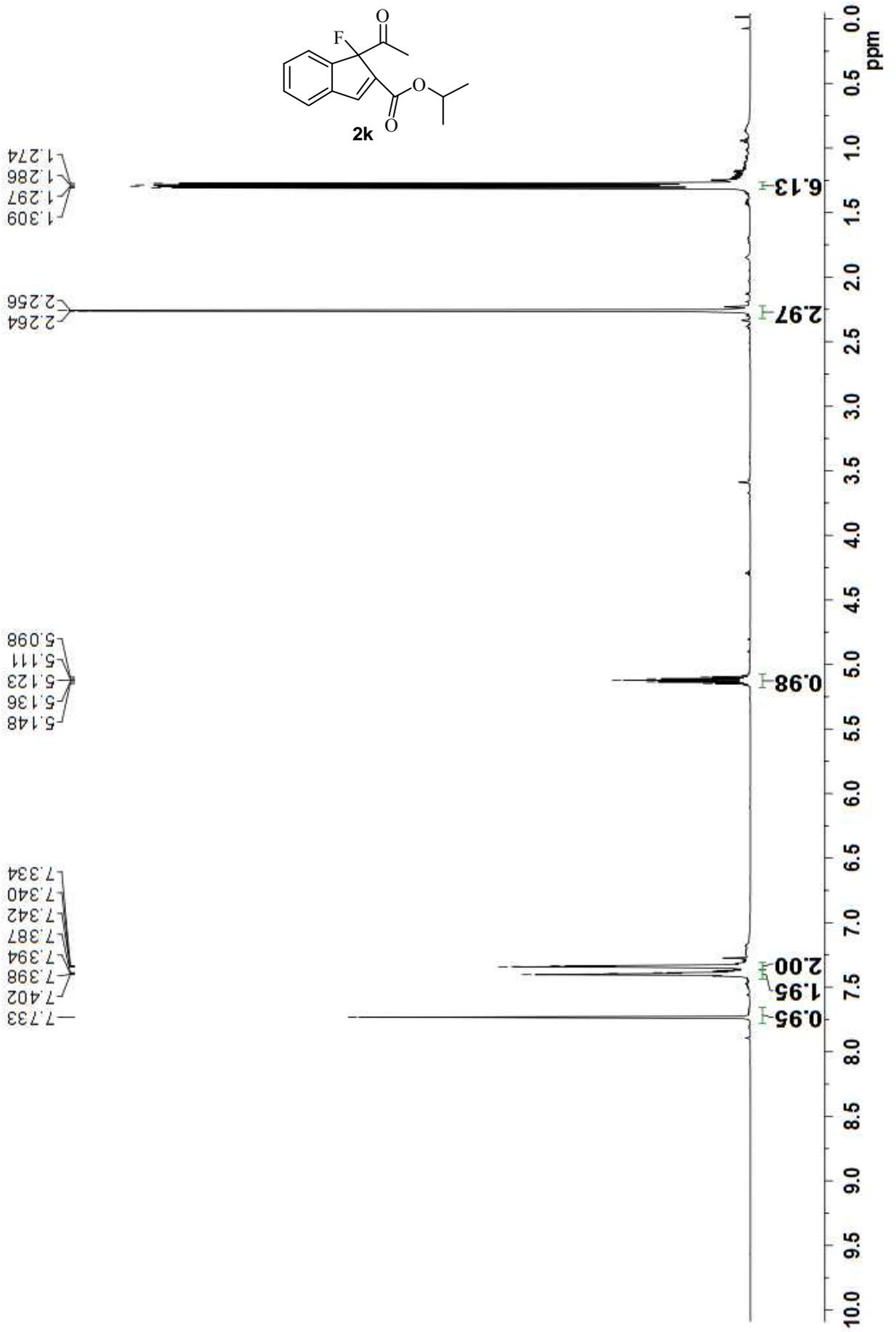


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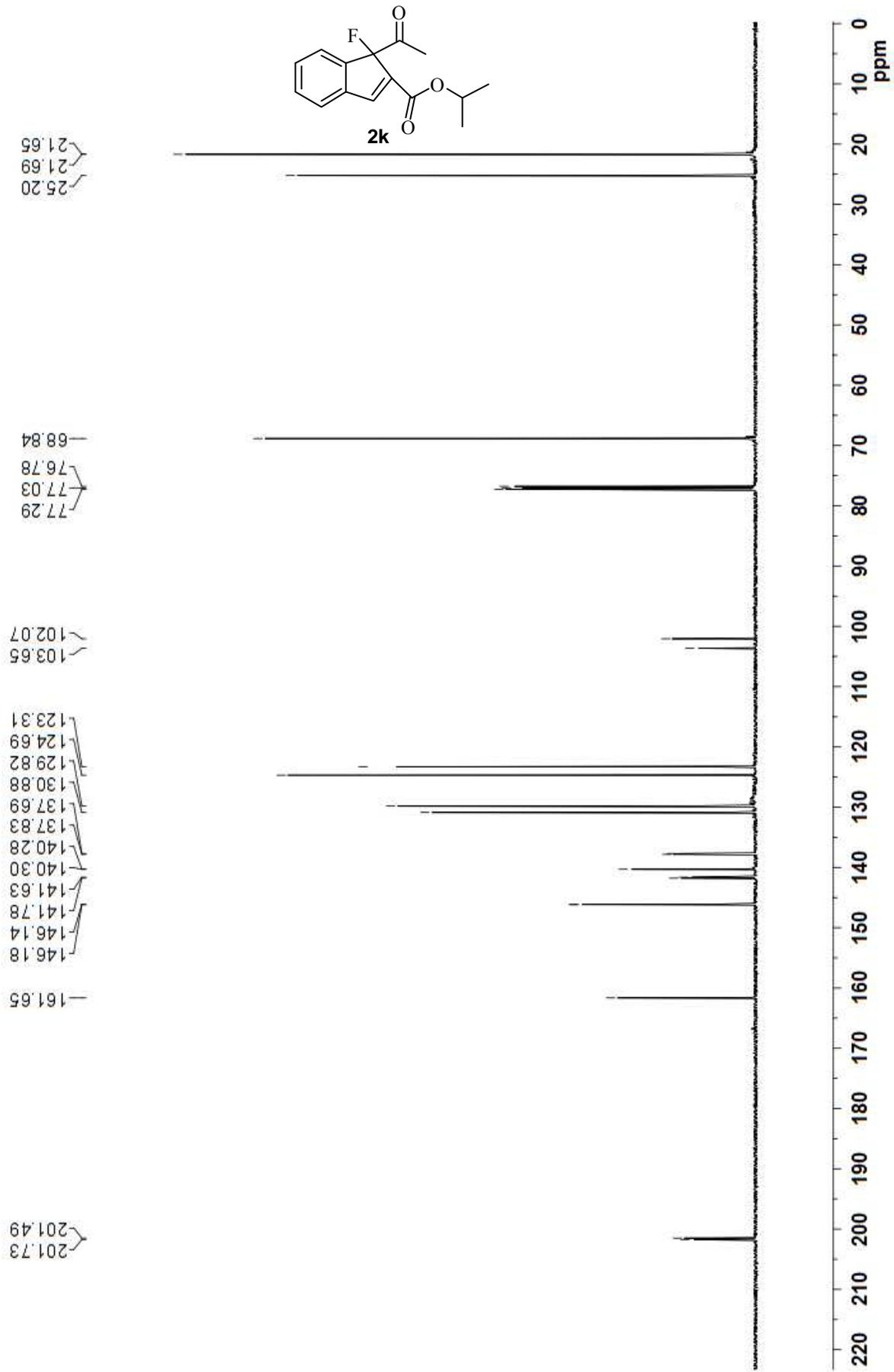
—177.094



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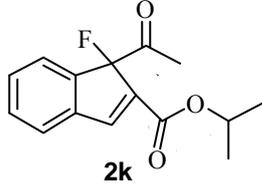


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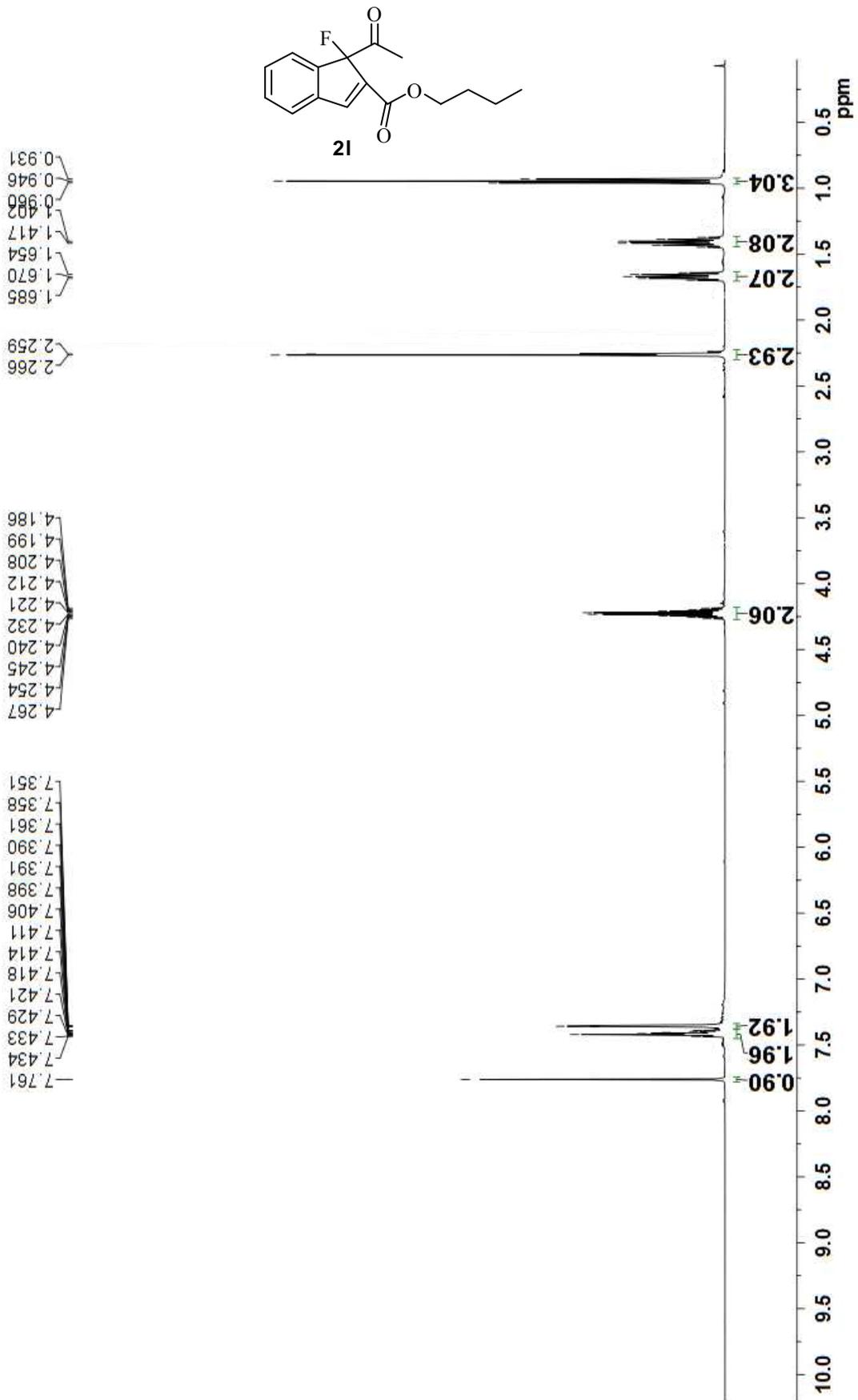


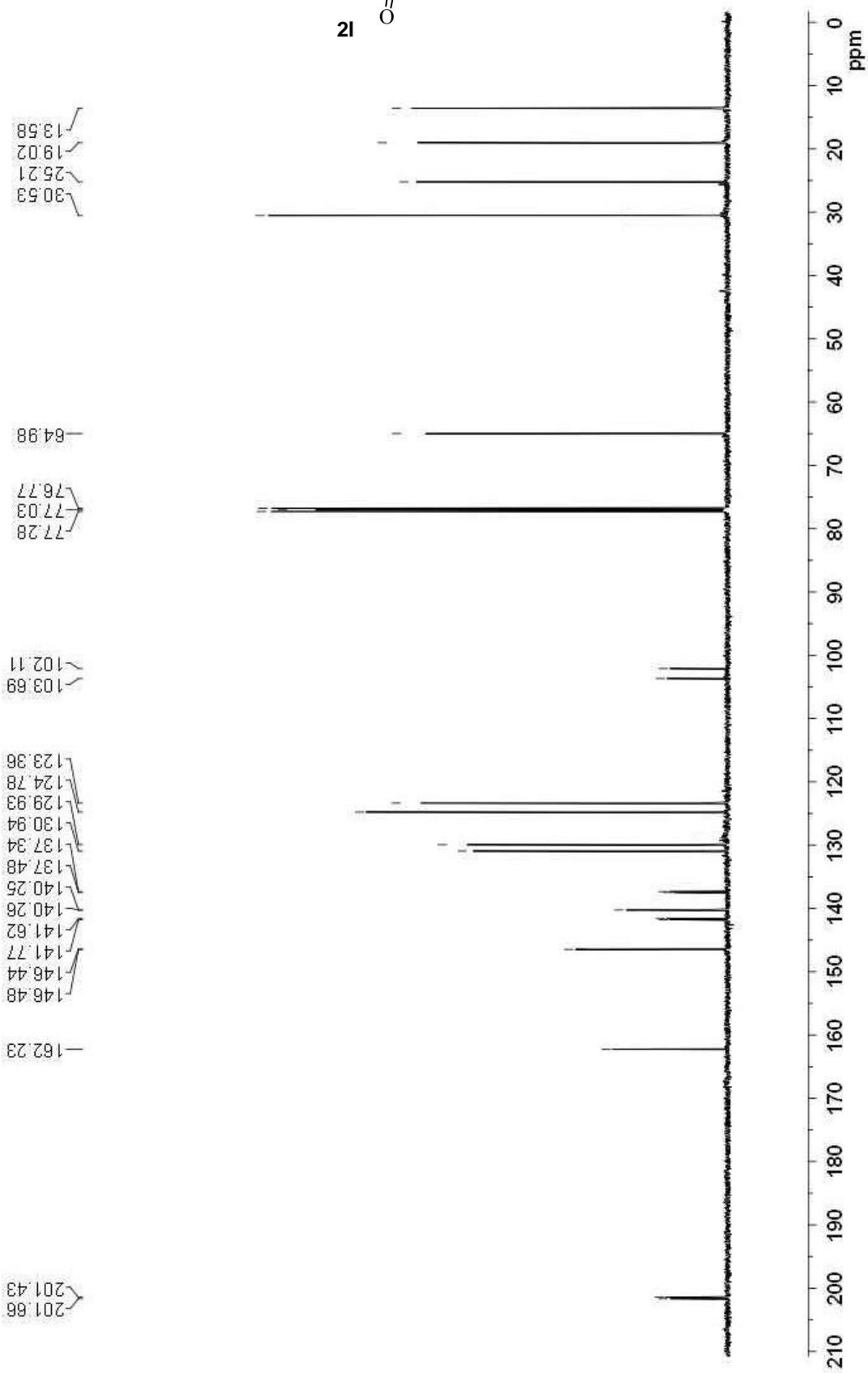
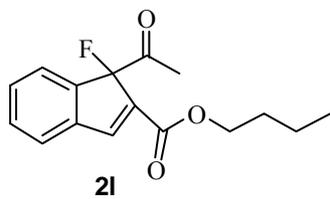
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zj182

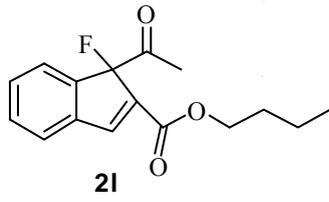




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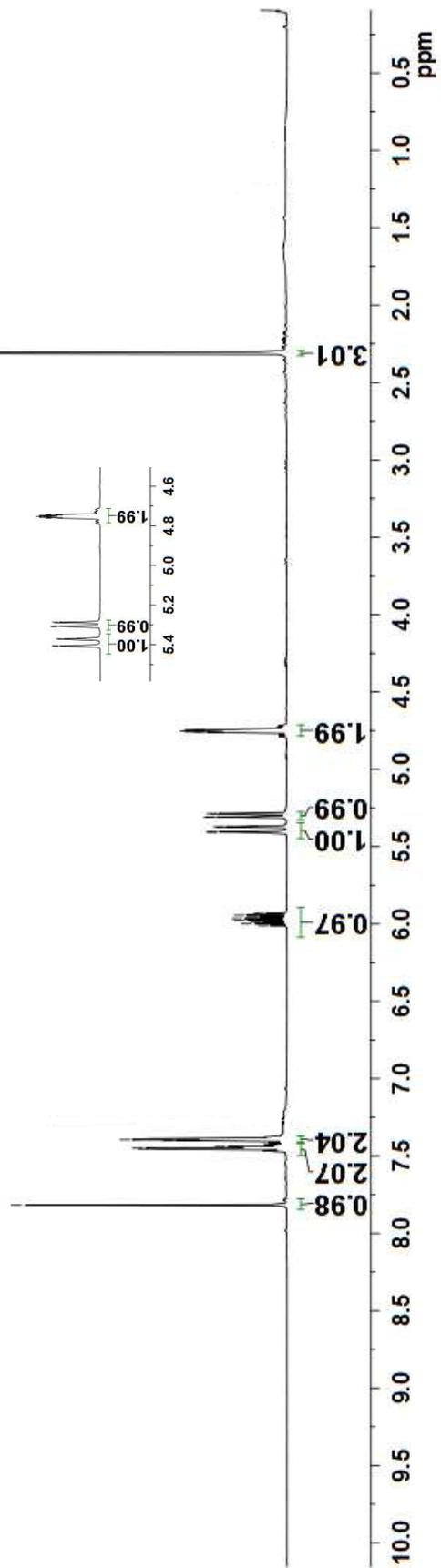
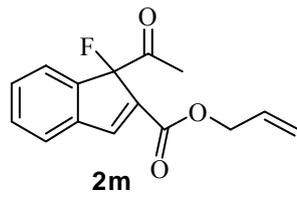
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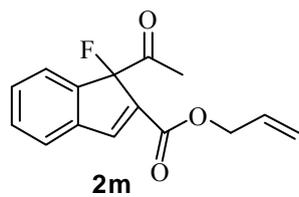


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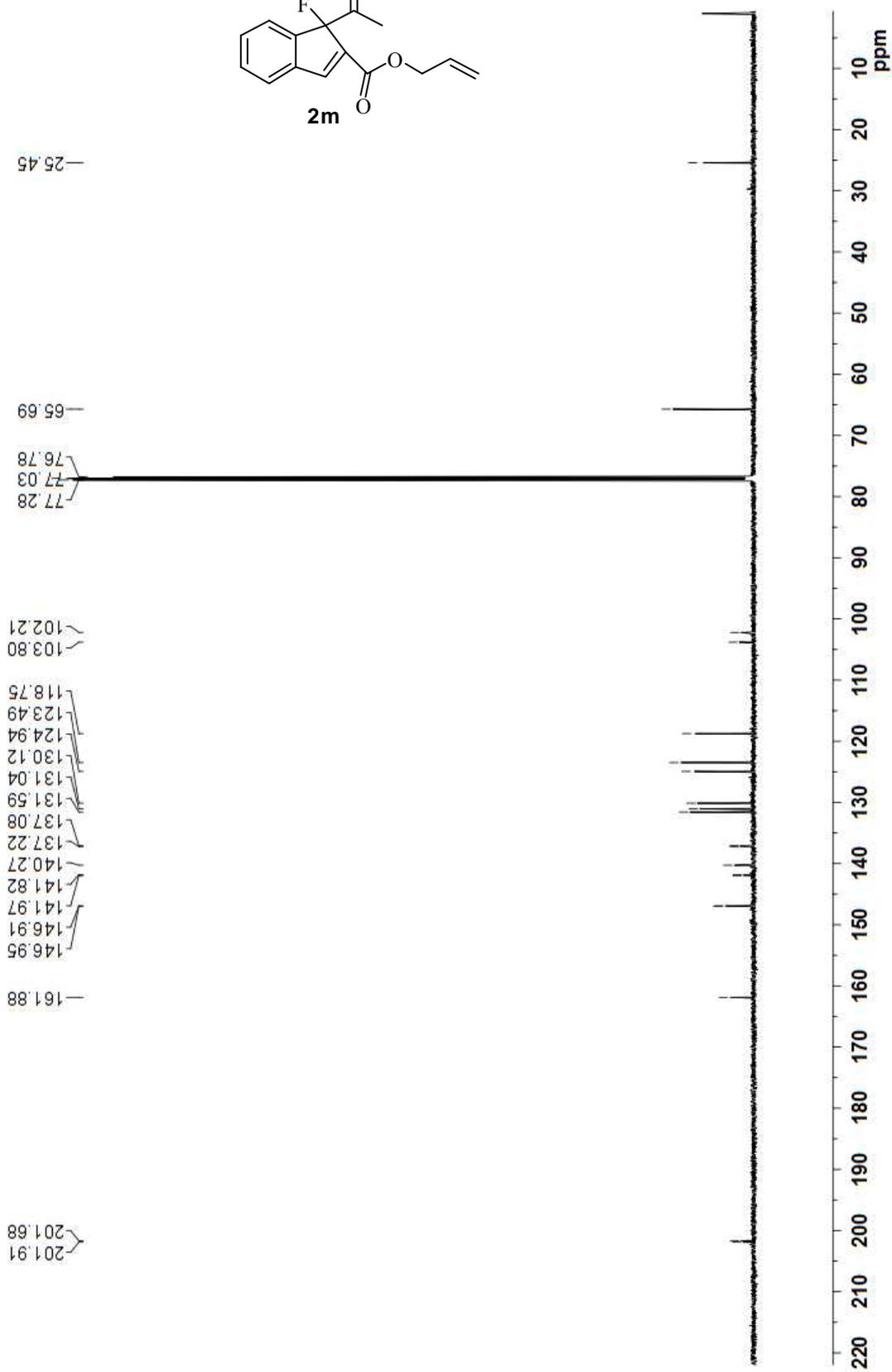
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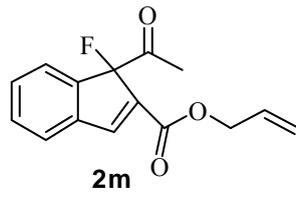


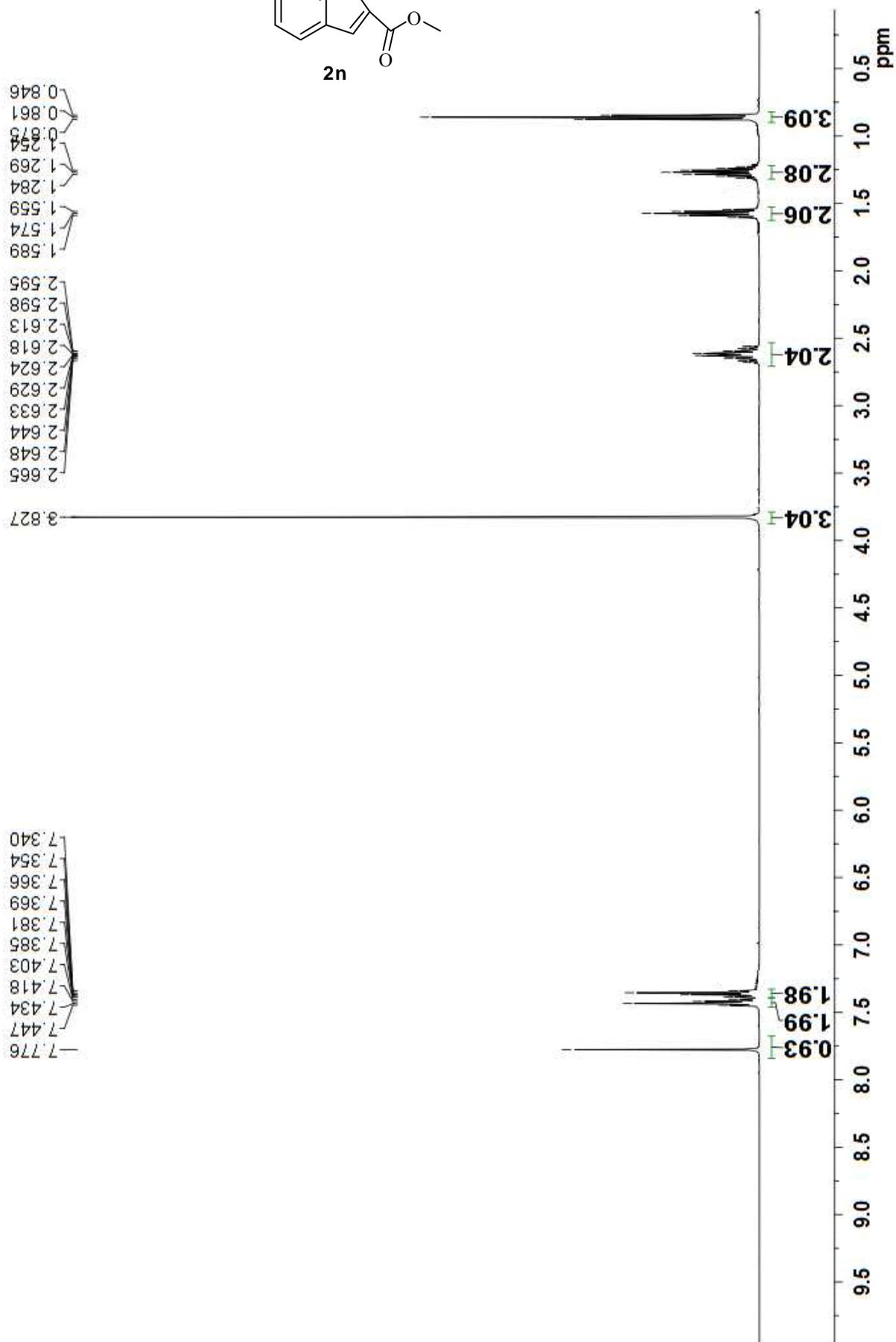
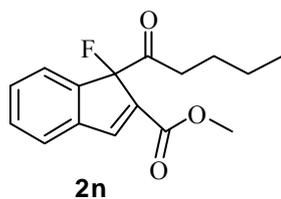
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zj190 CDC13 F19
Pulse Sequence: szpu1

-176.949





zj185

zj185

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203.61

162.67

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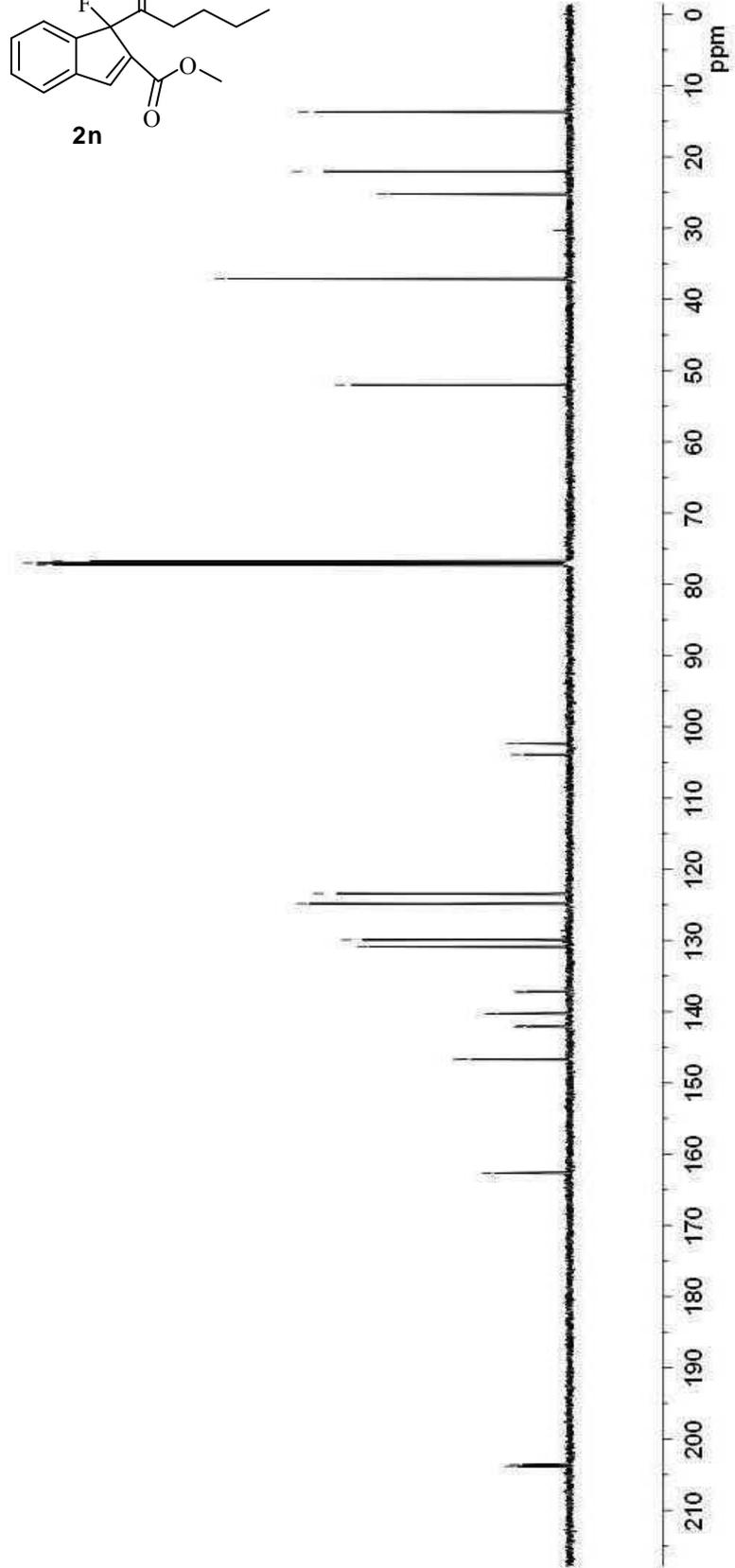
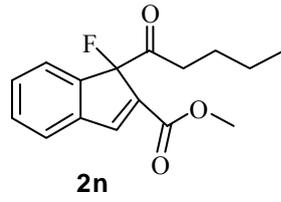
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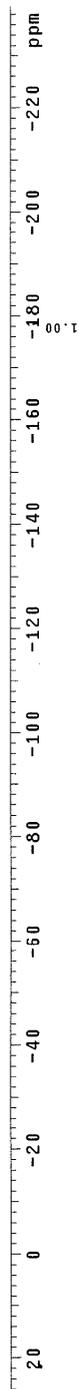
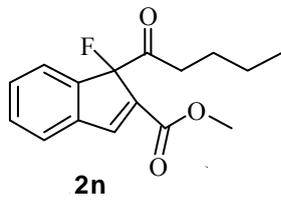
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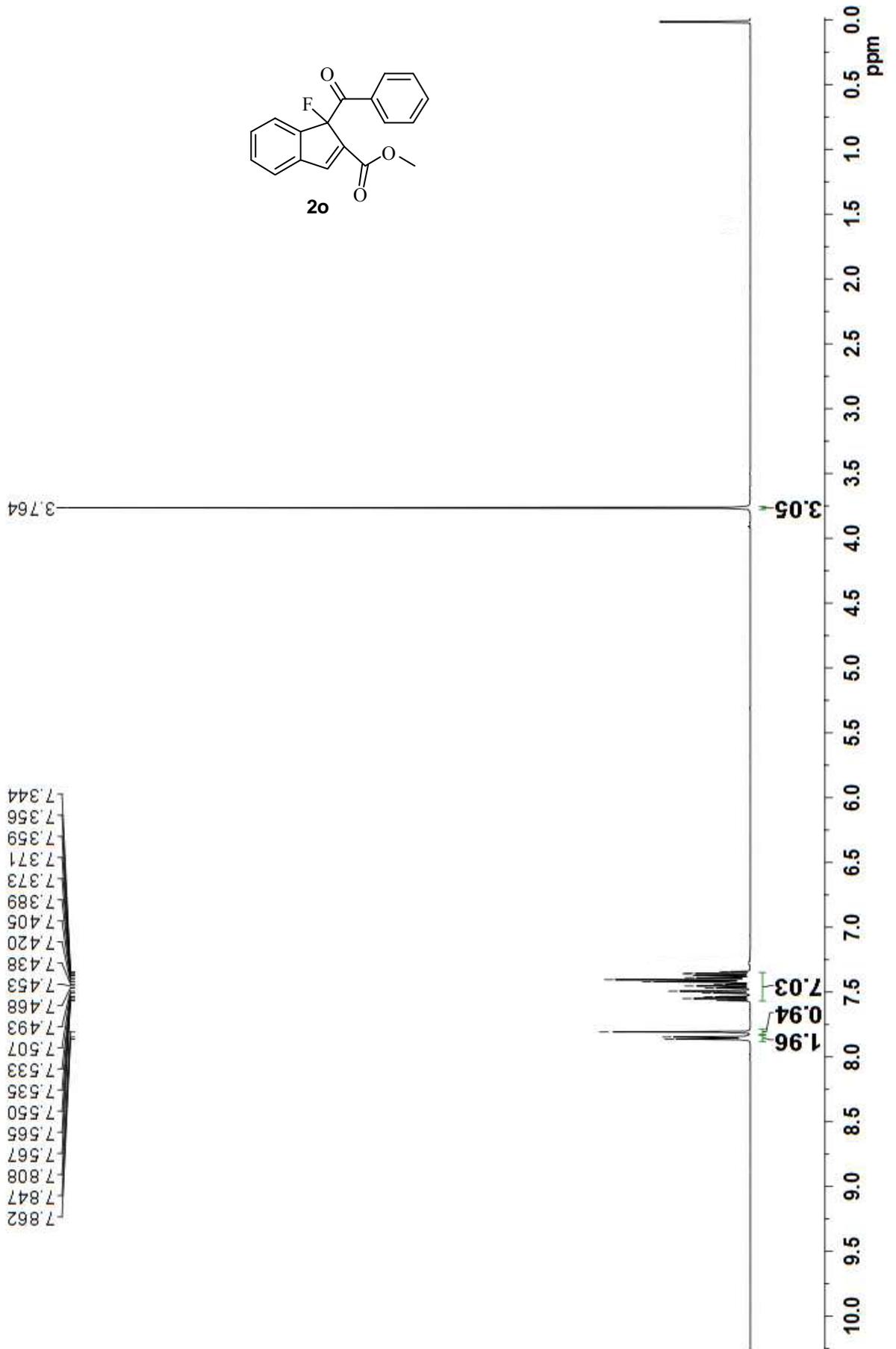
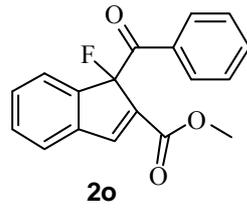
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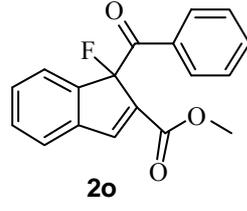
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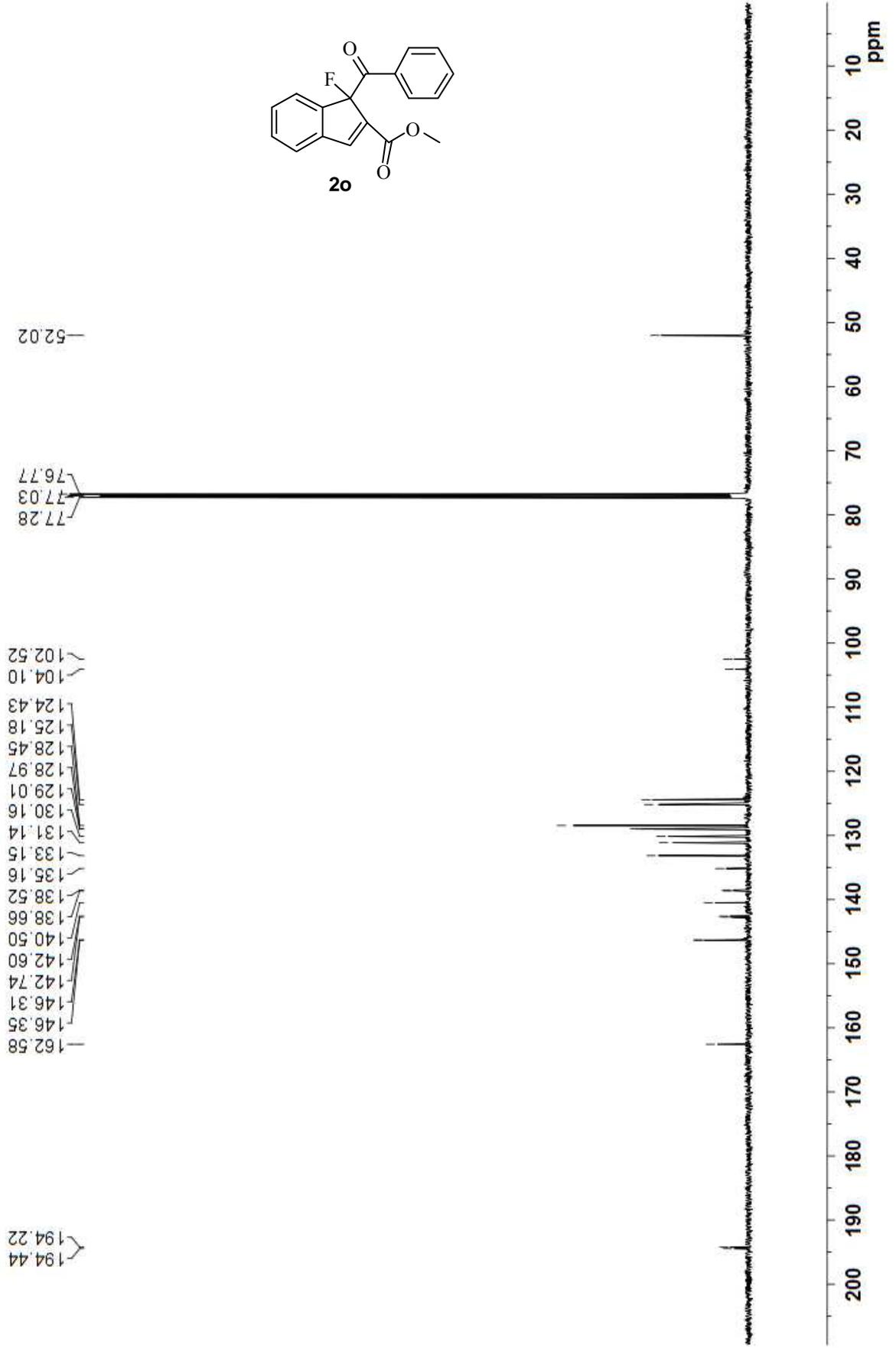




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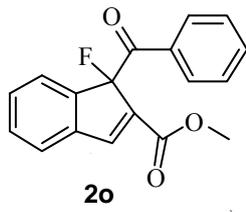


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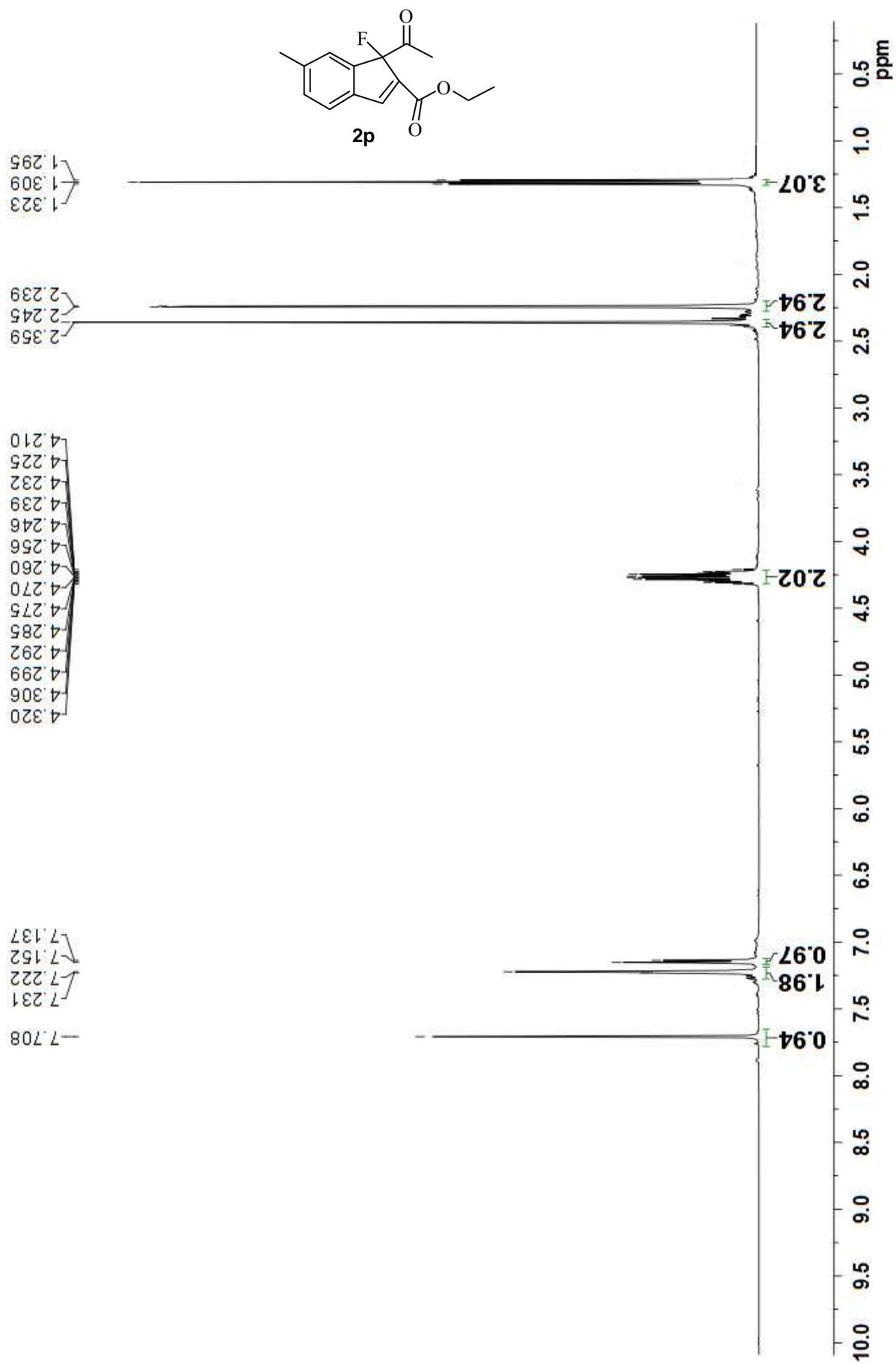


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—169.730



zj187



zj1178

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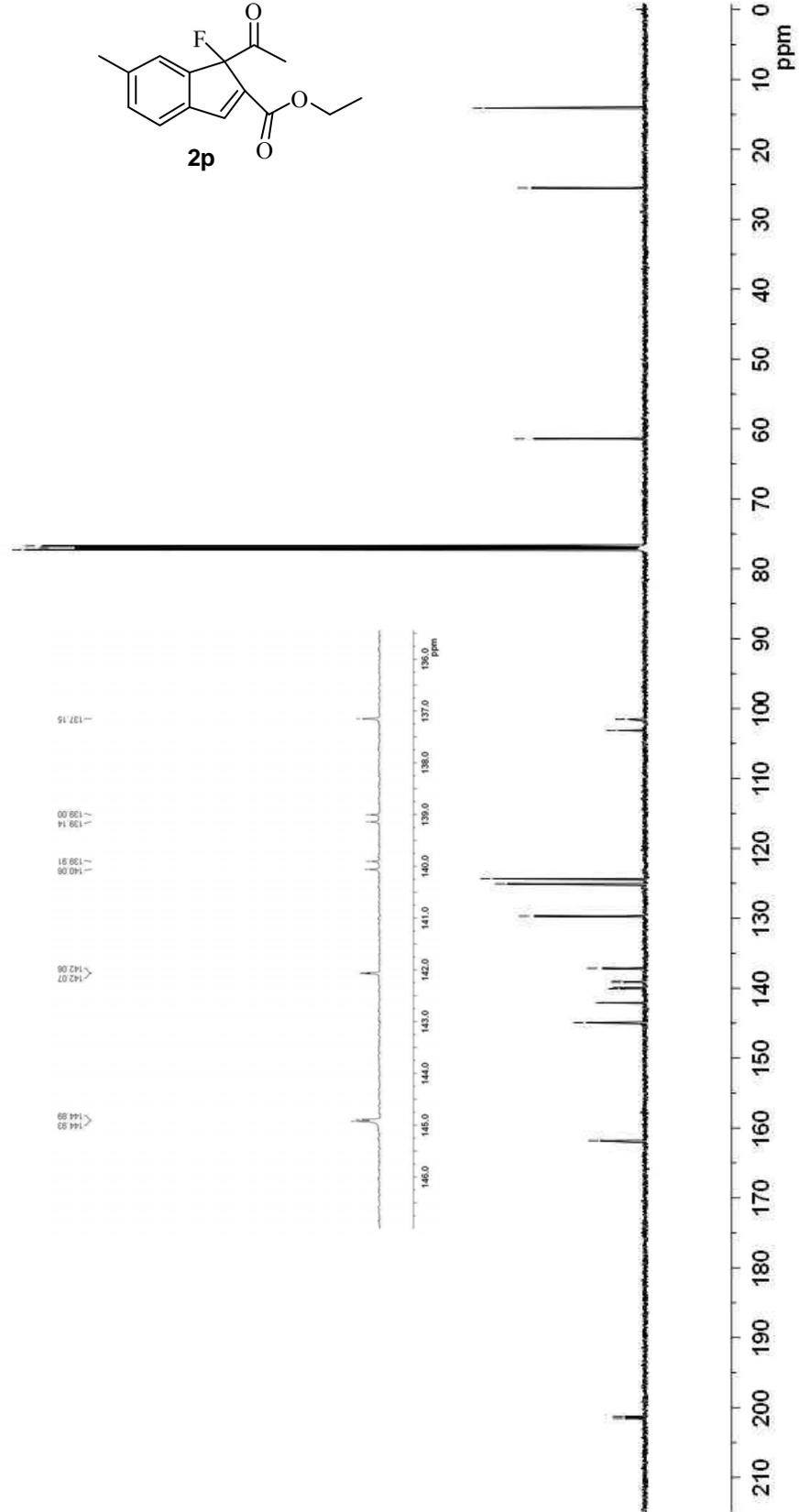
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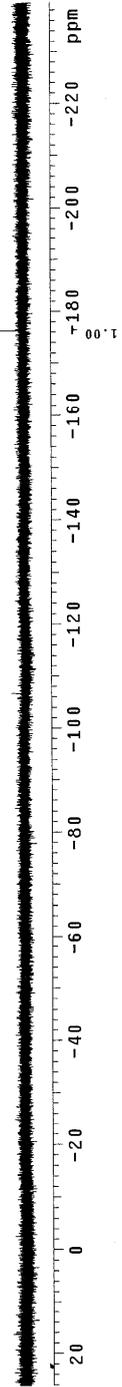
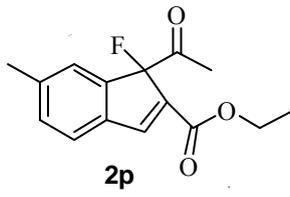
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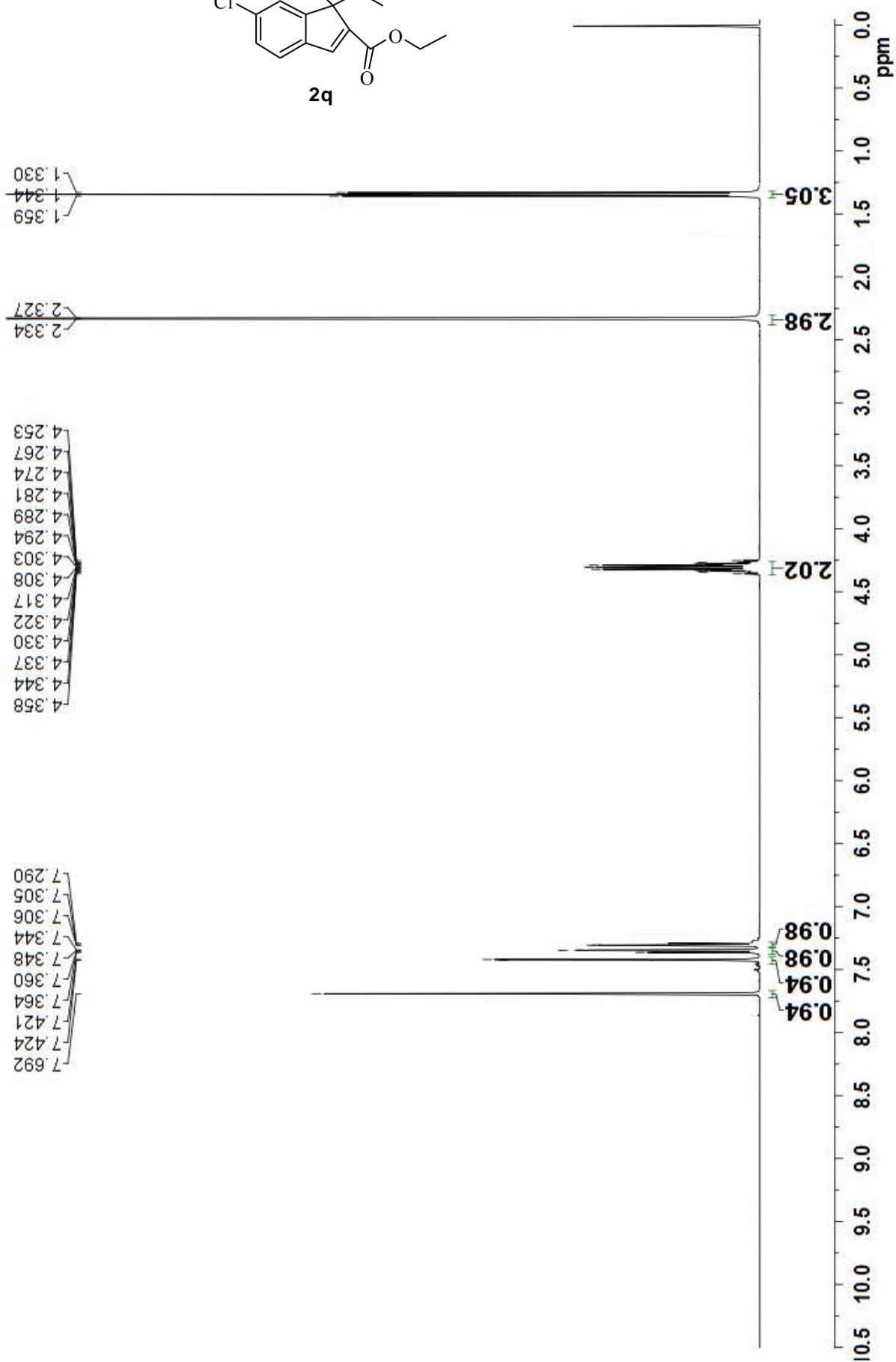
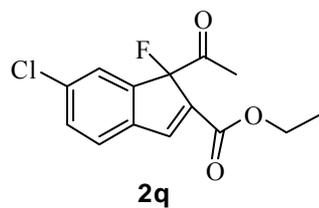
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ZJ187 CDCl3 F19
Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

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zj178

zj178

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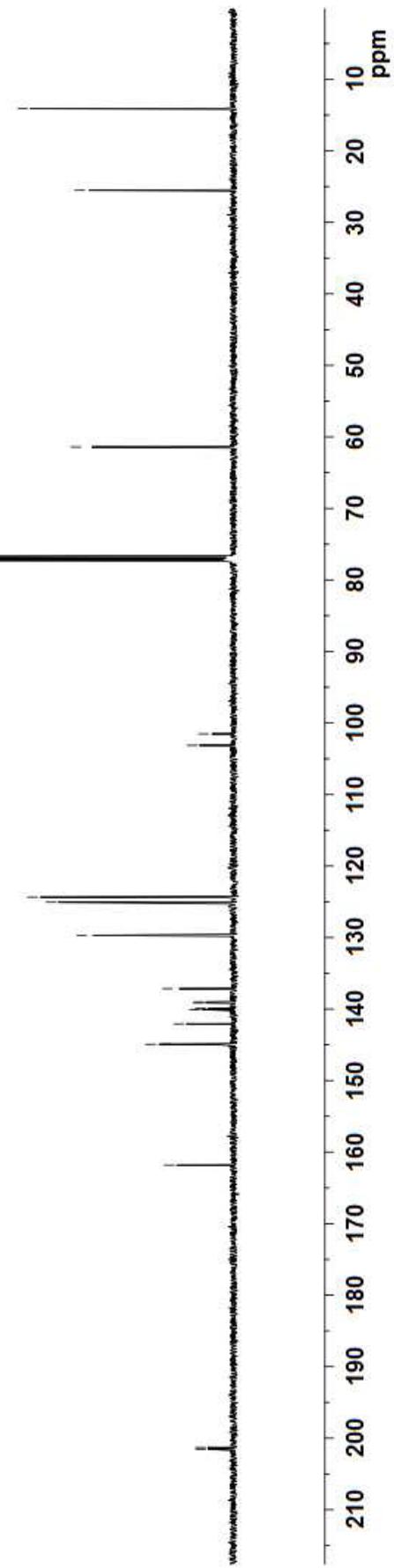
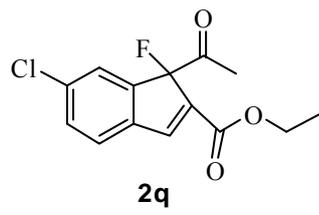
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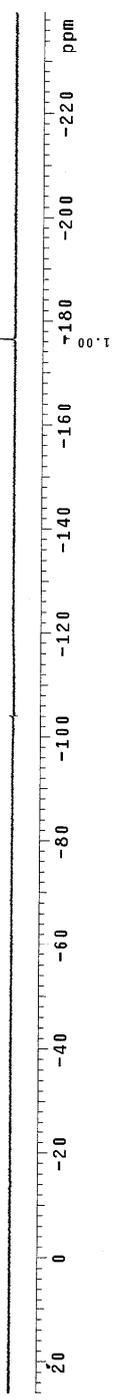
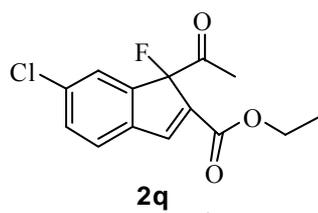
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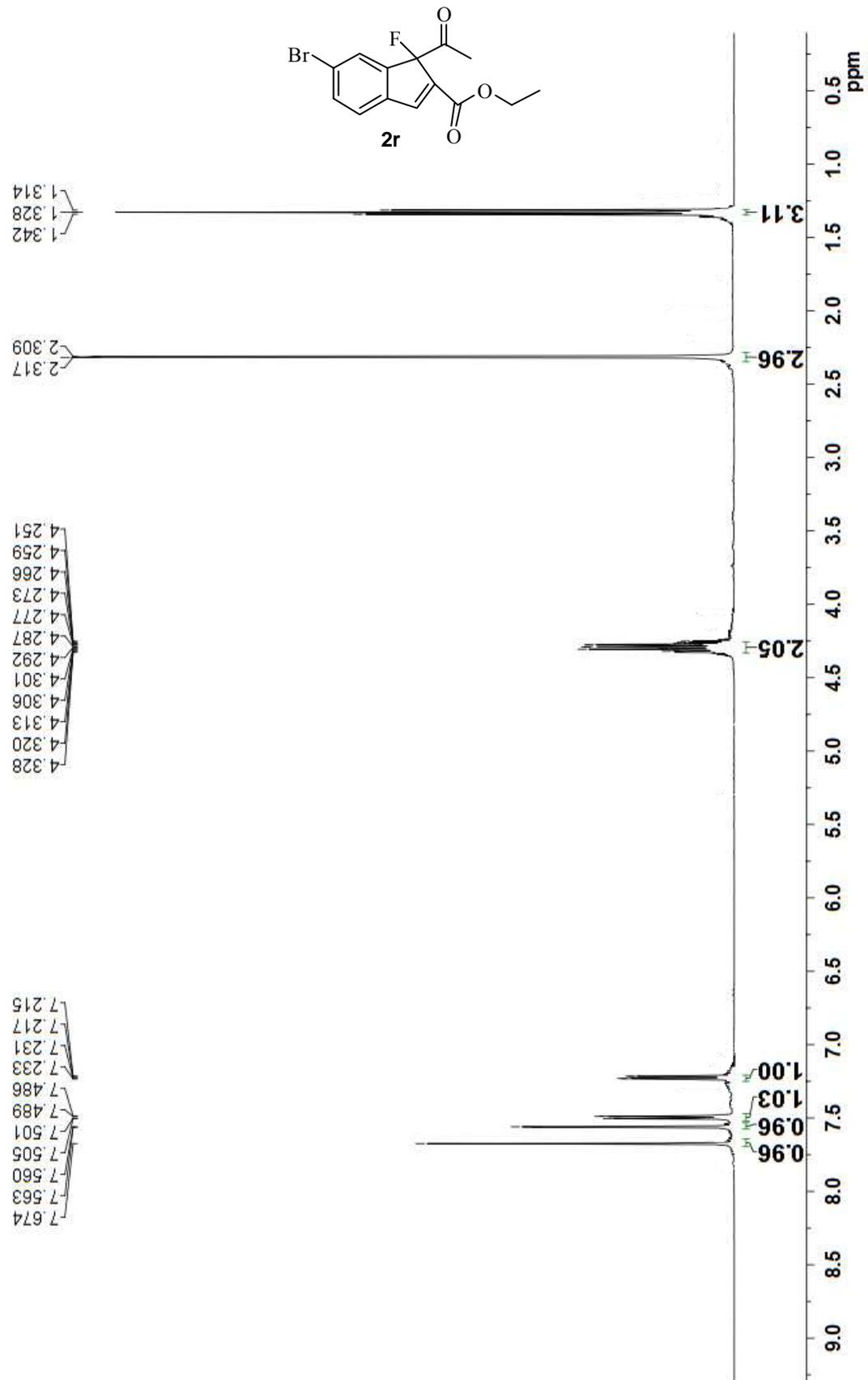


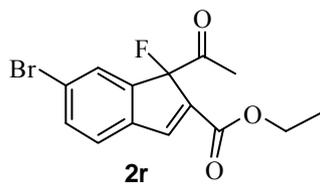
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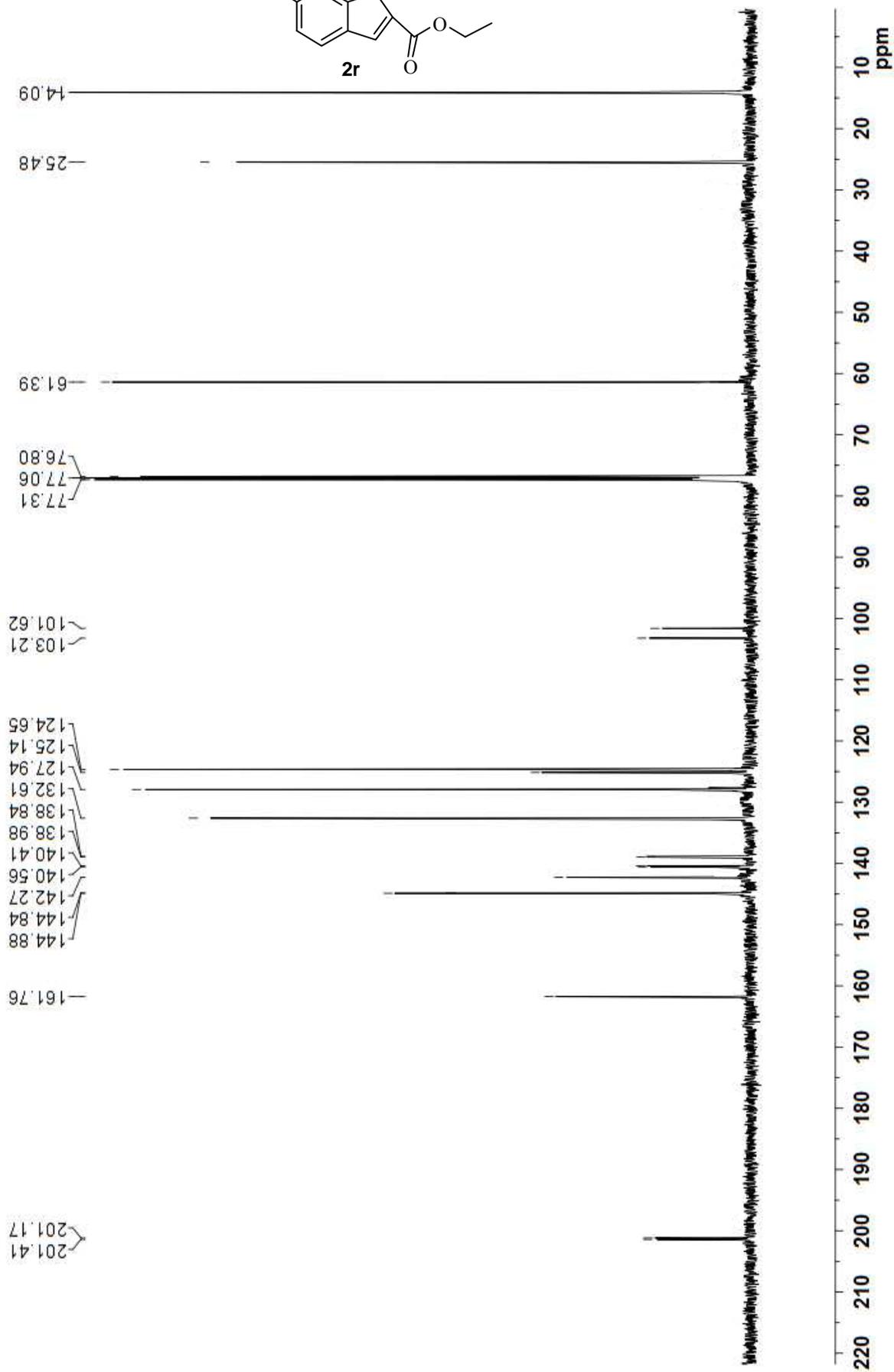


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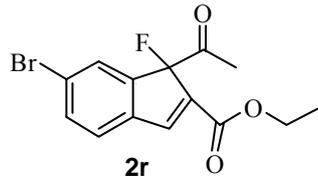


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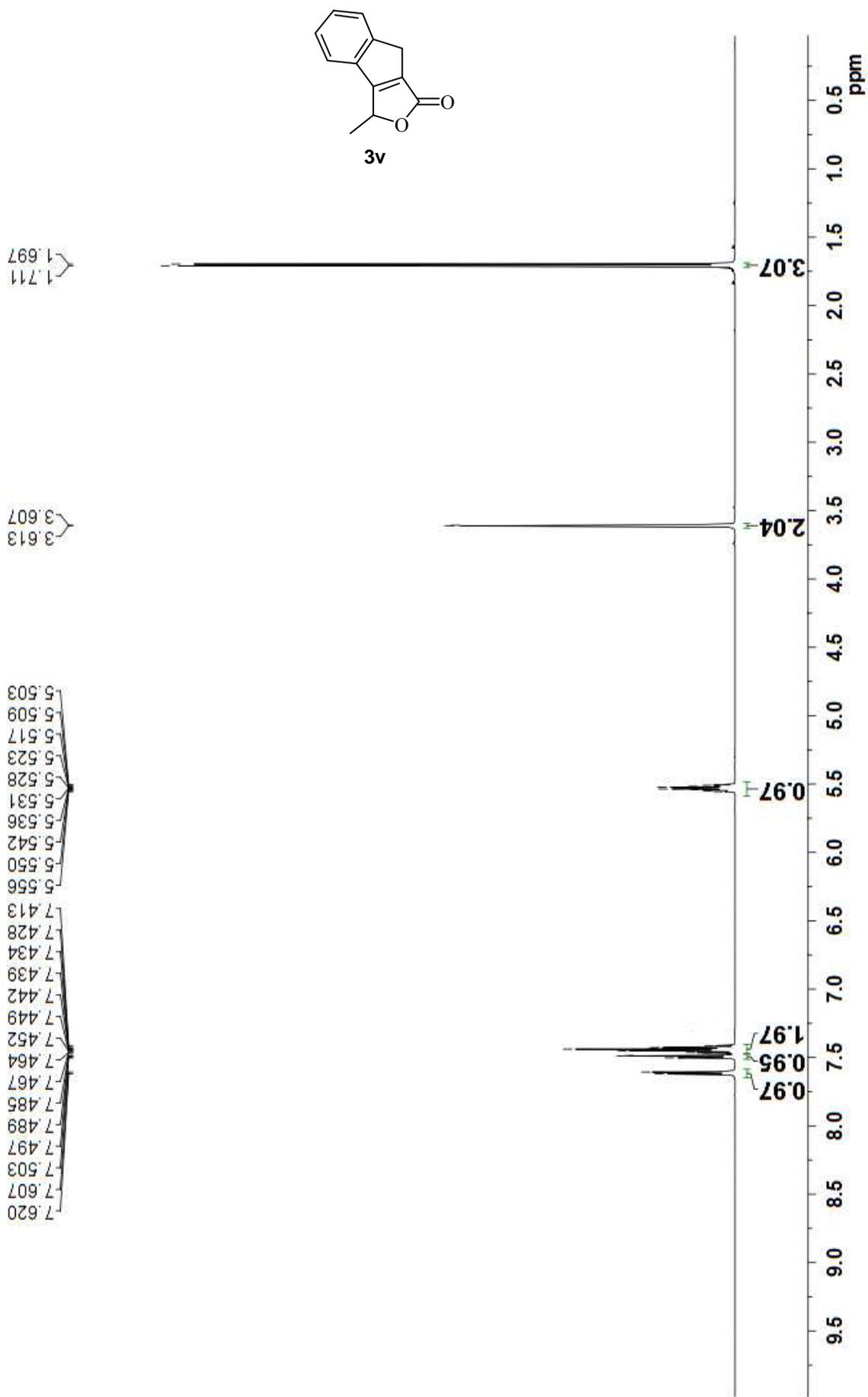


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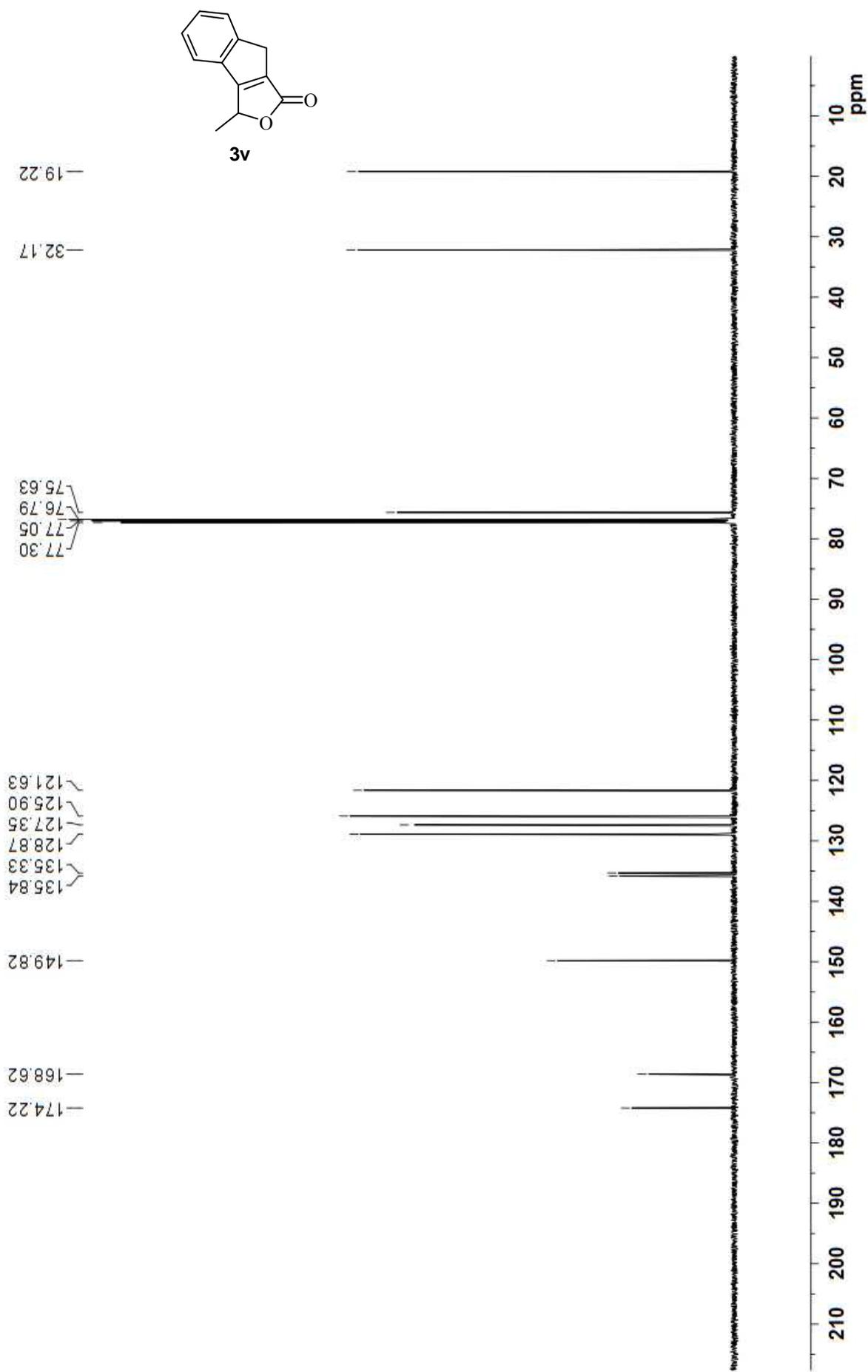
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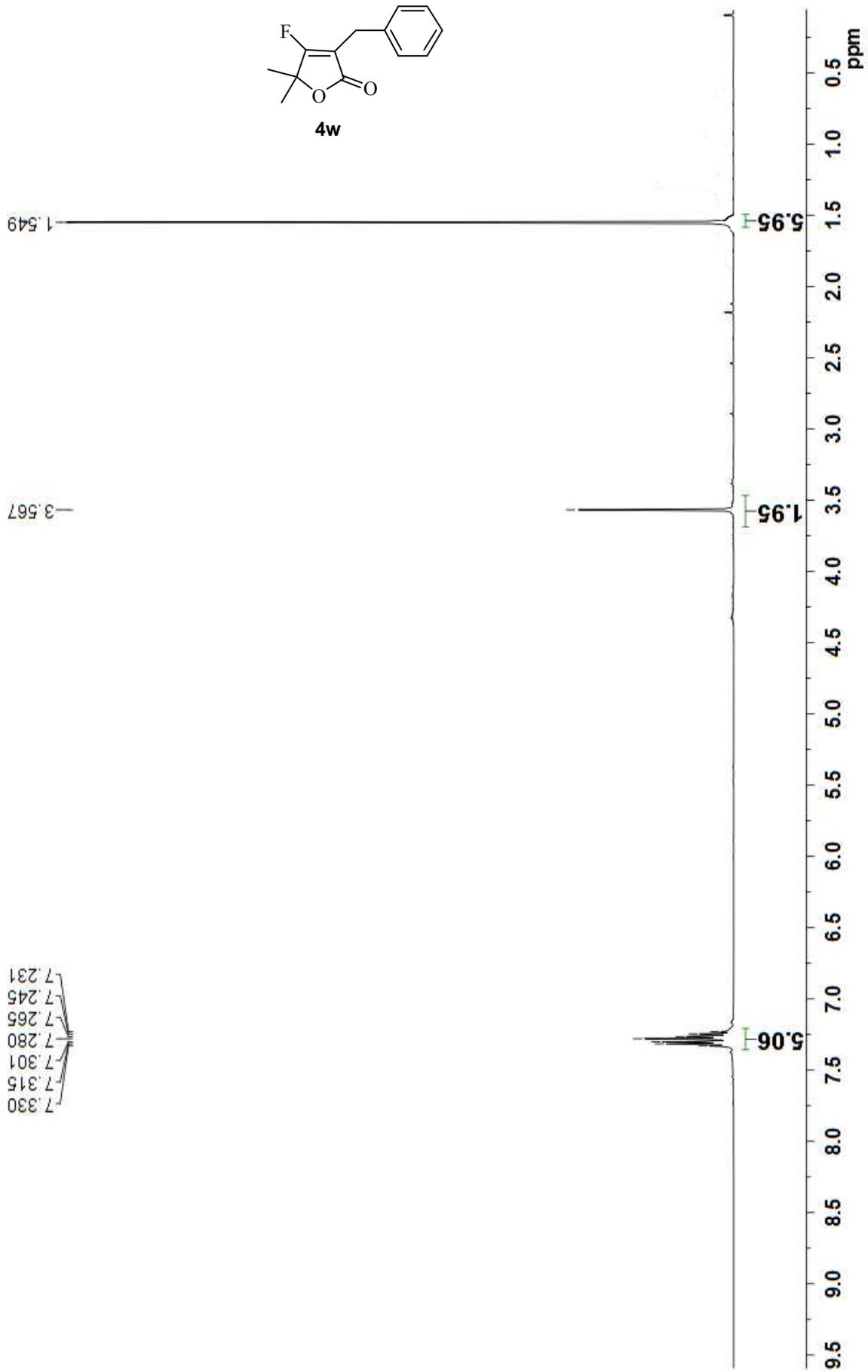
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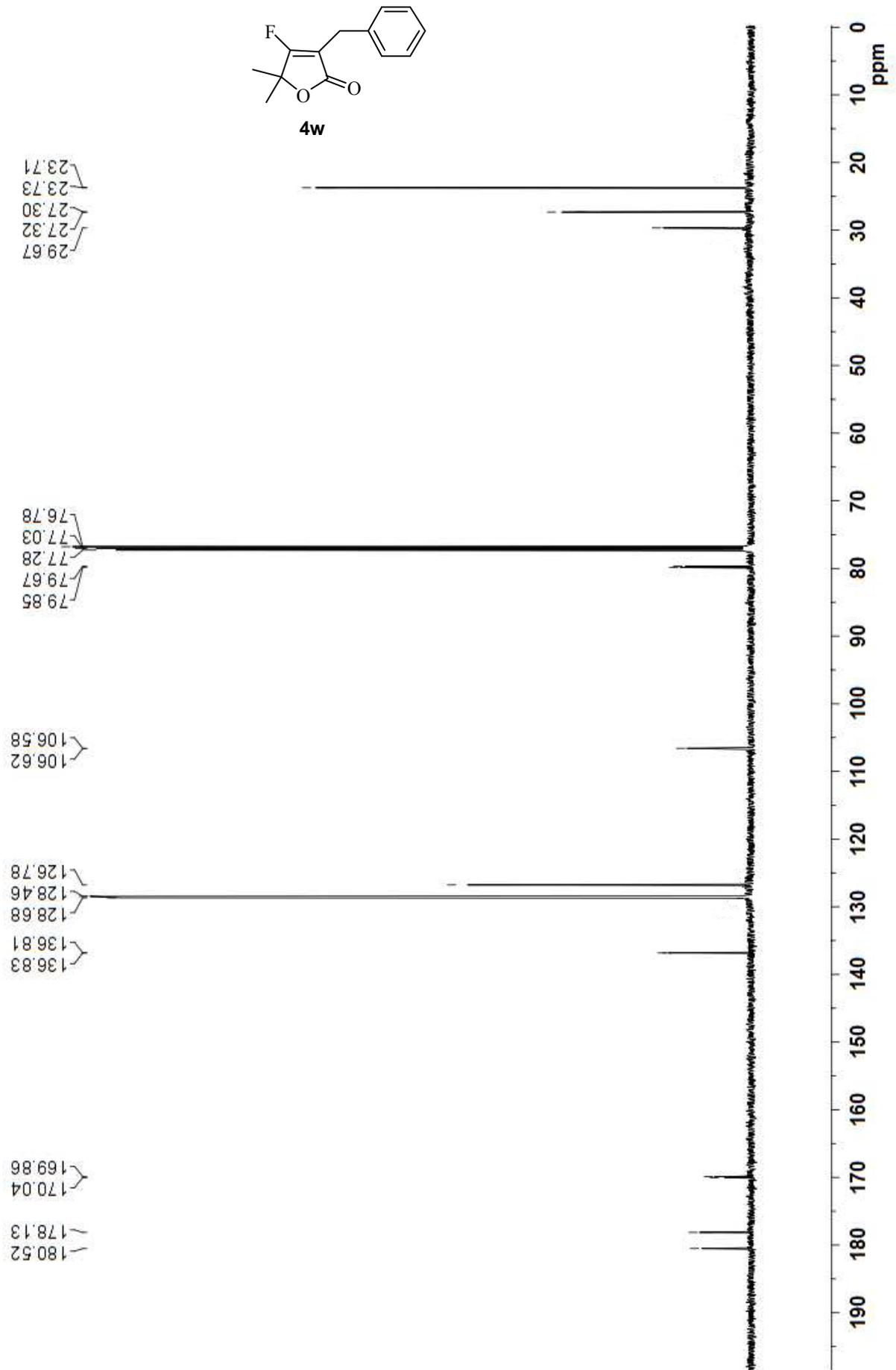
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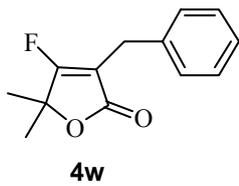


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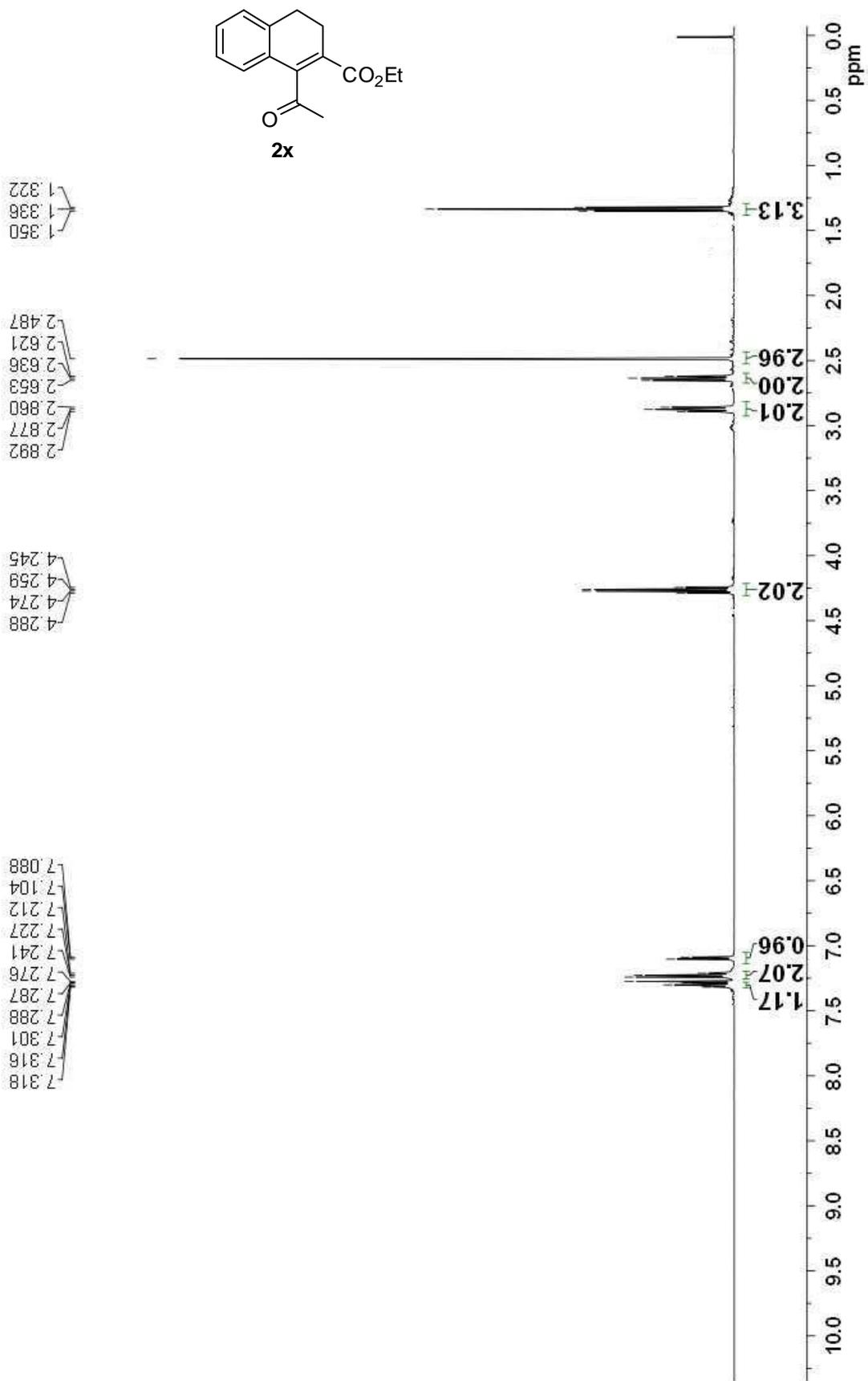


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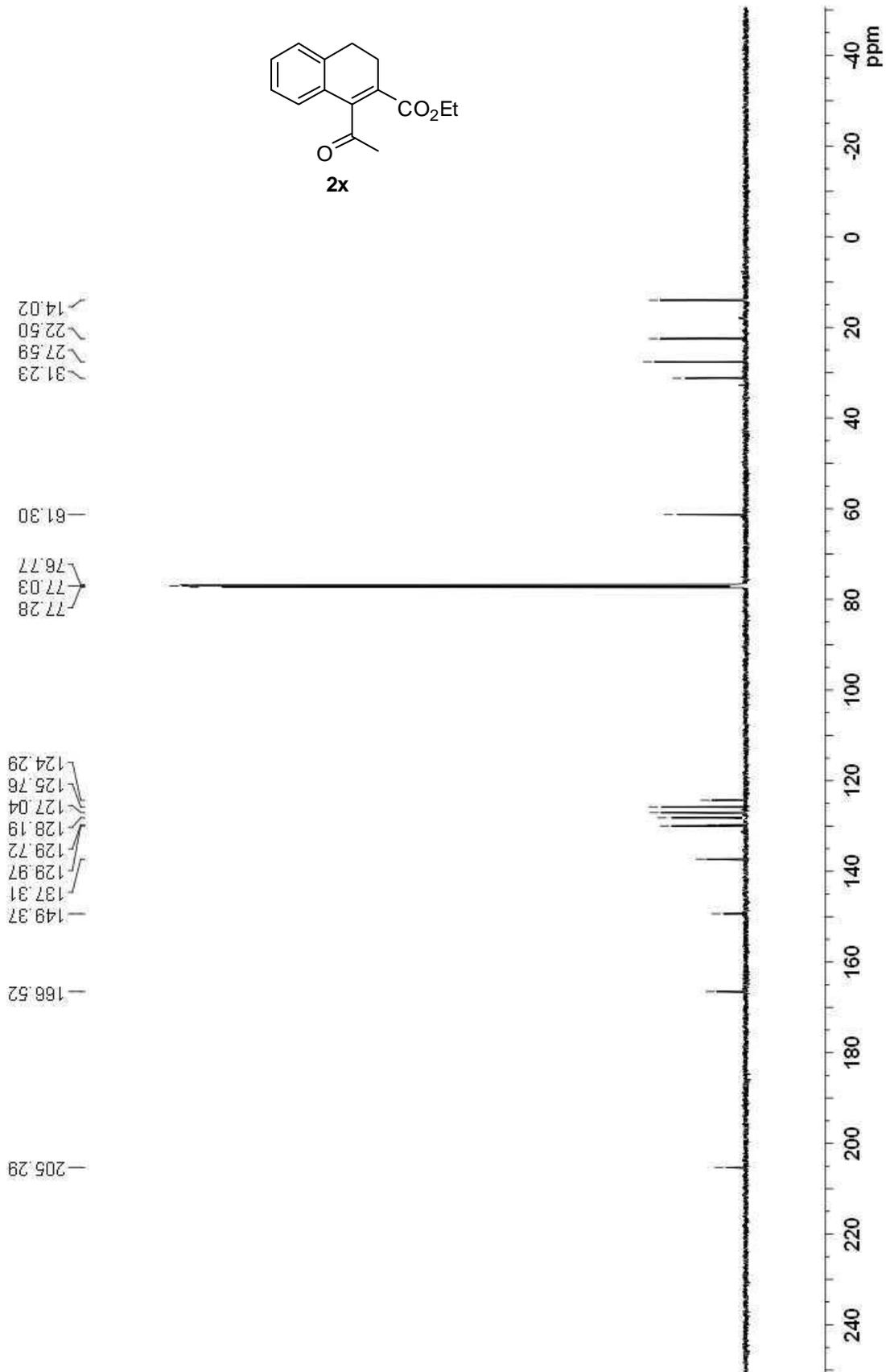
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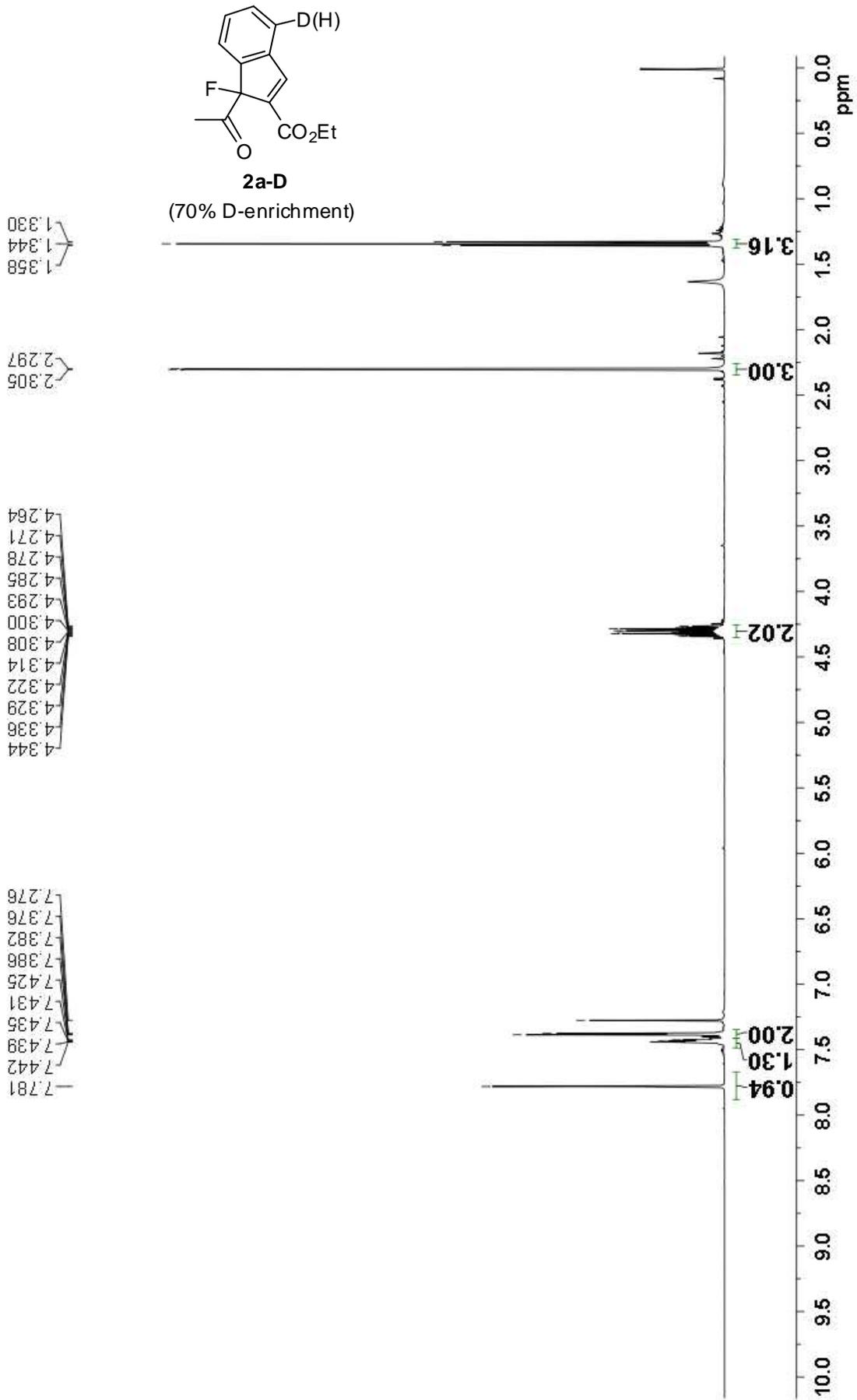
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