

One-Step Construction of Tetrahydro-5*H*-indolo[3,2-*c*]quinolines from Benzyl Azides and Indoles via a Cascade Reaction Sequence

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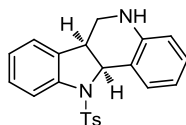
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Part 1. Experimental Procedures and Analytical Data

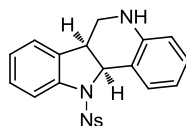
General Methods. Melting points are uncorrected. NMR spectra were recorded in CDCl₃ or DMSO-*d*₆ (¹H at 400 MHz and ¹³C at 100 MHz) using TMS as the internal standard. Column chromatography was performed on silica gel. Commercially available reagents and solvents were used without further purification.

Compounds **1a–1g**,¹ **2a–2e**,² and **2f–2l**³ were synthesized according to the literature procedures.

General Procedure for the Synthesis of 3.⁴ To a solution of **1** (1.1 mmol) in toluene (5.0 mL) at 0 °C was added TfOH (107 µL, 1.2 mmol). After the mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 15 min, a solution of **2** (1.0 mmol) in toluene (5.0 mL) was added. The reaction mixture was warmed to room temperature, stirred for 1.5 h, neutralized by slowly adding solid NaHCO₃ (100 mg), and diluted with DCM and H₂O. The two layers were separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with DCM. The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried (Na₂SO₄), filtrated, and concentrated to give a residue, which was purified by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/DCM/EtOAc, 20:1:1) to afford **3**.

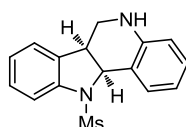


11-Tosyl-6,6a,11,11a-tetrahydro-5H-indolo[3,2-c]quinoline (3a). White solid; mp 207–208 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 2.37 (s, 3H), 3.07 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 3.41–3.49 (m, 2H), 5.45 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.38 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.81 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.99 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.07–7.23 (m, 5H), 7.51 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.61 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.83 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 21.5, 40.7, 41.3, 61.6, 115.1, 119.2, 120.1, 120.6, 123.1, 125.7, 126.9, 128.0, 128.3, 129.5, 131.3, 135.1, 135.4, 142.3, 143.8, 145.7. HRMS (ESI) Calcd for C₂₂H₂₀N₂O₂S + H 377.1318; found 377.1322.



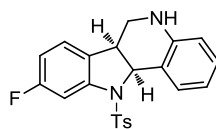
11-(2-Nitrophenylsulfonyl)-6,6a,11,11a-tetrahydro-5H-indolo[3,2-c]quinoline

(3b). Yellow solid; mp 188–190 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, $\text{DMSO-}d_6$) δ 3.40 (dd, $J = 12.8, 3.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.54 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 3.63 (d, $J = 12.4$ Hz, 1H), 5.61 (br s, 1H), 5.74 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 6.44 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.62 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 6.93 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.14–7.18 (m, 1H), 7.22 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.33 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.45 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.65–7.69 (m, 1H), 7.72–7.74 (m, 1H), 7.84 (t, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.96 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $\text{DMSO-}d_6$) δ 39.8, 40.4, 62.2, 114.8, 117.1, 117.8, 118.9, 124.2, 124.5, 125.8, 127.9, 128.3, 129.6, 129.8, 130.1, 132.0, 135.2, 135.3, 140.4, 147.1, 147.8. HMRS (ESI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{17}\text{N}_3\text{O}_4\text{S} + \text{H}$ 408.1013; found 408.1010.



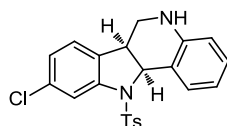
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White solid; mp 184–185 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, $\text{DMSO-}d_6$) δ 2.96 (s, 3H), 3.45 (dd, $J = 12.4, 3.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.70 (dt, $J = 12.4, 2.8$ Hz, 1H), 4.12 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 5.54 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 5.55 (br s, 1H), 6.42 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.59 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 6.90 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.14–7.18 (m, 2H), 7.20–7.23 (m, 1H), 7.39–7.41 (m, 1H), 7.44 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $\text{DMSO-}d_6$) δ 36.4, 40.2, 40.8, 61.1, 114.6, 117.0, 117.8, 120.2, 124.3, 125.2, 127.6, 127.9, 130.3, 135.3, 142.0, 147.0. HMRS (ESI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{16}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{S} + \text{Na}$ 323.0825; found 323.0833.

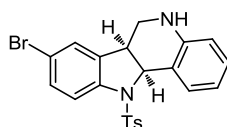


9-Fluoro-11-tosyl-6,6a,11,11a-tetrahydro-5H-indolo[3,2-c]quinoline (3f). White solid; mp 189–190 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 2.39 (s, 3H), 3.08 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 3.45 (d, $J = 3.2$ Hz, 2H), 3.55 (br s, 1H), 5.47 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 6.41 (d, $J =$

8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.79-6.85 (m, 2H), 6.99-7.04 (m, 2H), 7.20 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.35 (dd, $J = 9.6, 2.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.56 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.81 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 21.6, 40.4, 41.5, 62.4, 108.0 (d, $J = 27.0$ Hz), 112.5 (d, $J = 22.0$ Hz), 115.2, 119.5, 120.4, 123.8 (d, $J = 9.0$ Hz), 127.0, 128.5, 129.7, 130.4 (d, $J = 3.0$ Hz), 131.3, 135.5, 143.8 (d, $J = 12.0$ Hz), 144.1, 145.7, 162.6 (d, $J = 243.0$ Hz). HMRS (ESI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{19}\text{FN}_2\text{O}_2\text{S} + \text{H}$ 395.1224; found 395.1232.

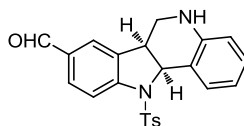


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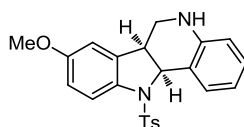
8-Bromo-11-tosyl-6,6a,11,11a-tetrahydro-5H-indolo[3,2-c]quinoline (3h). White solid; mp 132–133 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$) δ 2.33 (s, 3H), 3.09 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 3.25 (dd, $J = 12.4, 3.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.52-3.56 (m, 1H), 5.52 (d, $J = 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 5.61 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 6.42 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 6.64 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.92 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.29-7.33 (m, 3H), 7.37-7.39 (m, 1H), 7.43 (s, 1H), 7.51 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.59 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$) δ 21.0, 39.9, 40.4, 61.9, 114.8, 117.3, 117.8, 119.5, 120.4, 126.9, 127.3, 128.1, 129.9, 130.3, 130.6, 134.8, 138.6, 141.1, 144.2, 146.8. HMRS (ESI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{19}\text{BrN}_2\text{O}_2\text{S} + \text{Na}$ 477.0243;

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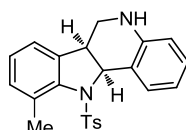
11-Tosyl-6,6a,11,11a-tetrahydro-5H-indolo[3,2-c]quinoline-8-carbaldehyde (3i).

Yellow solid; mp 184–185 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 2.38 (s, 3H), 3.22 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 3.49–3.58 (m, 2H), 3.53 (br s, 1H), 5.56 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 6.41 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.82 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.02 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.56 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.64 (s, 1H), 7.70–7.75 (m, 2H), 7.82 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 9.91 (s, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 21.5, 40.9, 41.3, 62.4, 115.3, 119.4, 119.5, 120.1, 123.5, 126.8, 128.7, 129.9, 131.3, 132.2, 134.0, 135.7, 136.2, 144.4, 145.7, 148.1, 191.0. HMRS (ESI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3\text{S}$ + H 405.1267; found 405.1258.



8-Methoxy-11-tosyl-6,6a,11,11a-tetrahydro-5H-indolo[3,2-c]quinoline (3j).

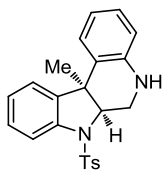
White solid; mp 220–222 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$) δ 2.33 (s, 3H), 2.94 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 3.24 (dd, J = 12.4, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 3.49 (dd, J = 12.8, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 3.70 (s, 3H), 5.52 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.40 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.63 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.75–6.79 (m, 2H), 6.91 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.27–7.30 (m, 3H), 7.50–7.54 (m, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$) δ 21.0, 39.7, 40.2, 55.4, 61.8, 109.8, 112.9, 114.6, 117.1, 119.6, 119.7, 126.9, 127.9, 129.8, 130.3, 134.6, 134.9, 137.6, 143.9, 146.8, 157.7. HMRS (ESI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3\text{S}$ + H 407.1424; found 407.1416.



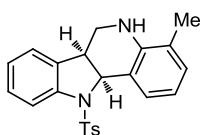
10-Methyl-11-tosyl-6,6a,11,11a-tetrahydro-5H-indolo[3,2-c]quinoline (3k).

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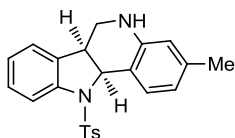
2.73 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 3.32-3.40 (m, 2H), 3.45 (br s, 1H), 5.40 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 6.31 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 6.76 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 6.89-6.97 (m, 2H), 7.05-7.12 (m, 2H), 7.19 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.46 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.67 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 19.8, 21.6, 39.7, 41.4, 62.9, 114.9, 118.8, 120.1, 120.4, 126.6, 127.6, 128.1, 129.5, 130.6, 131.0, 133.4, 135.1, 137.8, 141.6, 143.9, 145.3. HMRS (ESI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{S} + \text{H}$ 391.1475; found 391.1480.



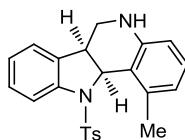
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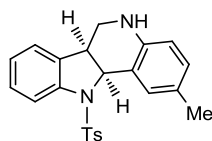
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3-Methyl-11-tosyl-6,6a,11,11a-tetrahydro-5H-indolo[3,2-c]quinoline (3n). White solid; mp 278–280 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 2.18 (s, 3H), 2.37 (s, 3H), 3.06 (t, $J = 4.4$ Hz, 1H), 3.45 (t, $J = 3.6$ Hz, 2H), 5.43 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 6.21 (s, 1H), 6.64 (dd, $J = 7.6, 0.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.05–7.22 (m, 5H), 7.51 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.60 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.71 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 21.1, 21.5, 40.8, 41.4, 61.6, 115.5, 117.9, 120.1, 120.5, 123.1, 125.6, 127.0, 128.0, 129.5, 131.2, 135.1, 135.7, 138.3, 142.3, 143.7, 145.5 {Note: Compound **3n** was contaminated with a small amount of **3o** due to difficult separation of the two regioisomers}. HRMS (ESI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{S} + \text{H}$ 391.1475; found 391.1484.

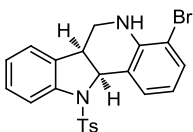


1-Methyl-11-tosyl-6,6a,11,11a-tetrahydro-5H-indolo[3,2-c]quinoline (3o). White solid; mp 205–206 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 2.36 (s, 3H), 2.72 (s, 3H), 2.94 (t, $J = 3.6$ Hz, 1H), 3.18 (dd, $J = 12.0, 4.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.30 (dd, $J = 12.0, 2.8$ Hz, 1H), 5.66 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 6.23 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.62 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.90 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.03–7.09 (m, 3H), 7.15 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.22 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.31 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.59 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 21.6, 29.7, 41.3, 41.4, 63.2, 113.5, 117.5, 121.6, 122.1, 123.3, 126.3, 127.7, 127.8, 128.4, 129.2, 135.2, 137.2, 141.7, 143.3, 143.8, 146.5. HRMS (ESI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{S} + \text{H}$ 391.1475; found 391.1477.

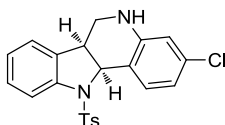


2-Methyl-11-tosyl-6,6a,11,11a-tetrahydro-5H-indolo[3,2-c]quinoline (3p). White

solid; mp 180–182 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$) δ 2.17 (s, 3H), 2.32 (s, 3H), 3.03 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.24 (dd, J = 12.4, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 3.47 (dd, J = 12.4, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 5.29 (br s, 1H), 5.53 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 6.32 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.74 (dd, J = 8.4, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.10 (td, J = 6.8, 0.4 Hz, 1H), 7.18–7.21 (m, 2H), 7.28 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.34 (s, 1H), 7.39 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$) δ 20.3, 21.0, 40.0, 40.3, 61.6, 114.8, 118.7, 119.6, 124.1, 125.5, 125.5, 126.8, 127.6, 128.7, 129.8, 130.4, 135.0, 135.9, 141.7, 144.0, 144.6. HRMS (ESI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{S}$ + H 391.1475; found 391.1471.

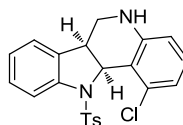


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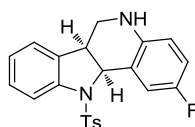


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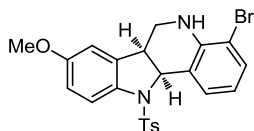
126.8, 127.9, 129.8, 132.1, 132.4, 134.9, 135.3, 141.4, 144.1, 148.1. HRMS (ESI) Calcd for C₂₂H₁₉ClN₂O₂S + H 411.0929; found 411.0925.



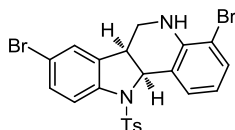
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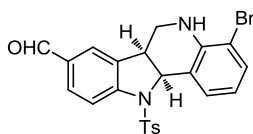
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4-Bromo-8-methoxy-11-tosyl-6,6a,11,11a-tetrahydro-5H-indolo[3,2-c]quinoline (3u). White solid; mp 220–221 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$) δ 2.33 (s, 3H), 2.98 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 3.29 (dd, J = 12.8, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 3.62–3.66 (m, 1H), 3.70 (s, 3H), 5.22 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 5.60 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.62 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.77–6.79 (m, 2H), 7.25–7.31 (m, 4H), 7.53–7.58 (m, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$) δ 20.9, 39.6, 40.2, 55.3, 61.7, 108.1, 109.9, 113.0, 117.9, 119.6, 122.1, 126.9, 129.8, 130.0, 131.4, 134.3, 134.7, 137.0, 143.5, 144.0, 157.7. HRMS (ESI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{21}\text{BrN}_2\text{O}_3\text{S} + \text{H}$ 485.0529; found 485.0519.



4,8-Dibromo-11-tosyl-6,6a,11,11a-tetrahydro-5H-indolo[3,2-c]quinoline (3v). White solid; mp 253–254 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$) δ 2.33 (s, 3H), 3.15 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 3.32–3.35 (m, 1H), 3.68 (d, J = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 5.28 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 5.70 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.63 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.27–7.33 (m, 4H), 7.39–7.41 (m, 2H), 7.58–7.62 (m, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$) δ 20.9, 39.6, 40.2, 61.8, 108.2, 117.9, 118.1, 120.3, 121.9, 126.9, 127.3, 129.9, 130.8 (possibly corresponding to 2 carbon signals), 131.5, 134.6, 137.9, 140.9, 143.5, 144.3. HMRS (ESI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{18}\text{Br}_2\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{S} + \text{H}$ 554.9348; found 554.9340.



4-Bromo-11-tosyl-6,6a,11,11a-tetrahydro-5H-indolo[3,2-c]quinoline-8-carbaldehyde (3w). Yellow solid; mp 250–252 °C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$) δ 2.32 (s, 3H), 3.29 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 3.38 (dd, J = 13.2, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 3.78 (d, J = 12.8 Hz, 1H), 5.34 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 5.83 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 6.64 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.27–7.33 (m, 3H), 7.57 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (d, J = 8.4

Hz, 2H), 7.72 (s, 1H), 7.79 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 9.88 (s, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 21.0, 39.5, 40.0, 62.2, 108.3, 118.1, 118.2, 121.9, 124.4, 126.8, 129.9, 130.0 (possibly corresponding to 2 carbon signals), 131.7, 133.7, 134.9, 136.2, 143.7, 144.5, 146.8, 191.7. HMRS (ESI) Calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{19}\text{BrN}_2\text{O}_3\text{S} + \text{H}$ 483.0373; found 483.0369.

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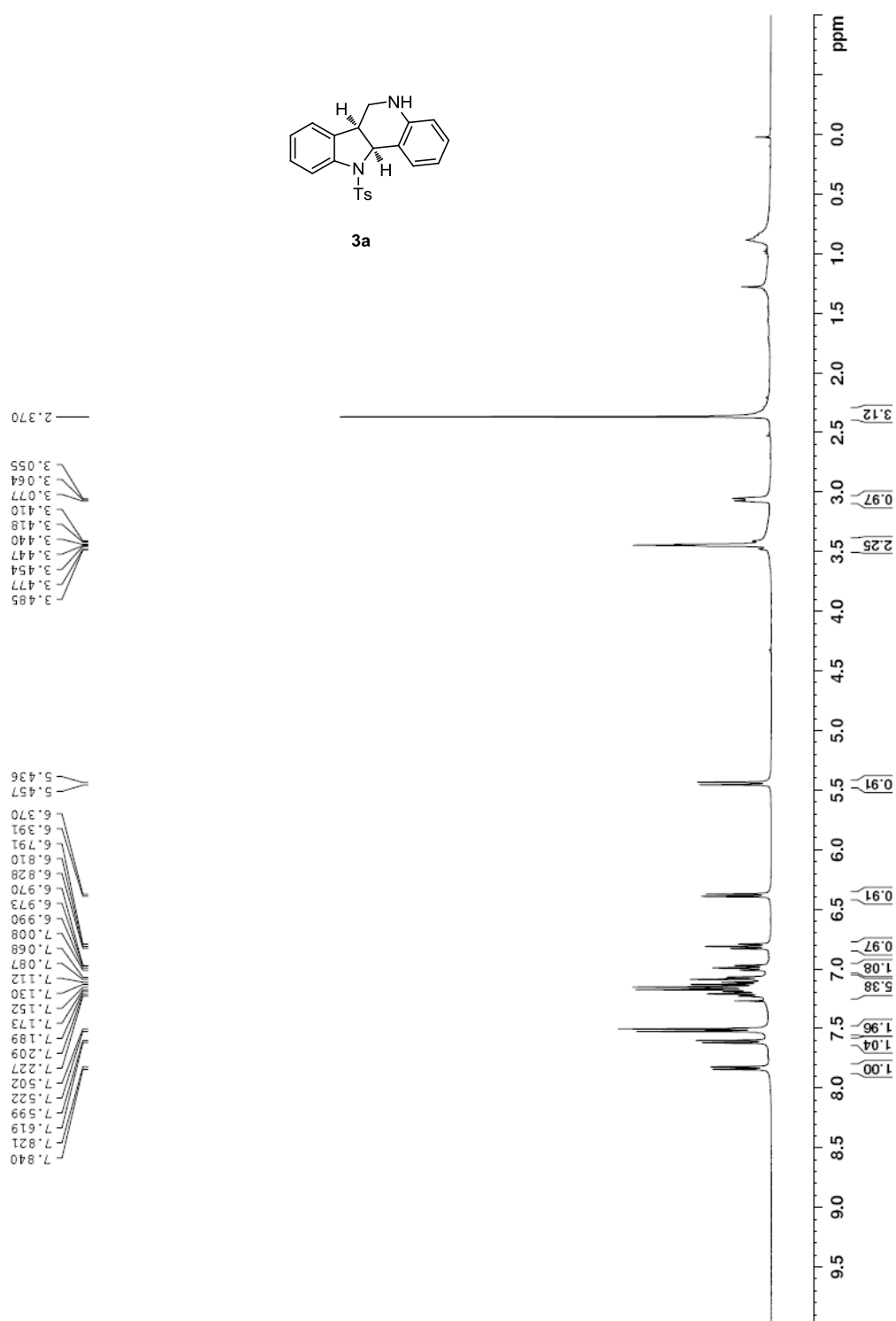


Fig. S1. ¹H NMR of 3a (400 MHz, CDCl₃)

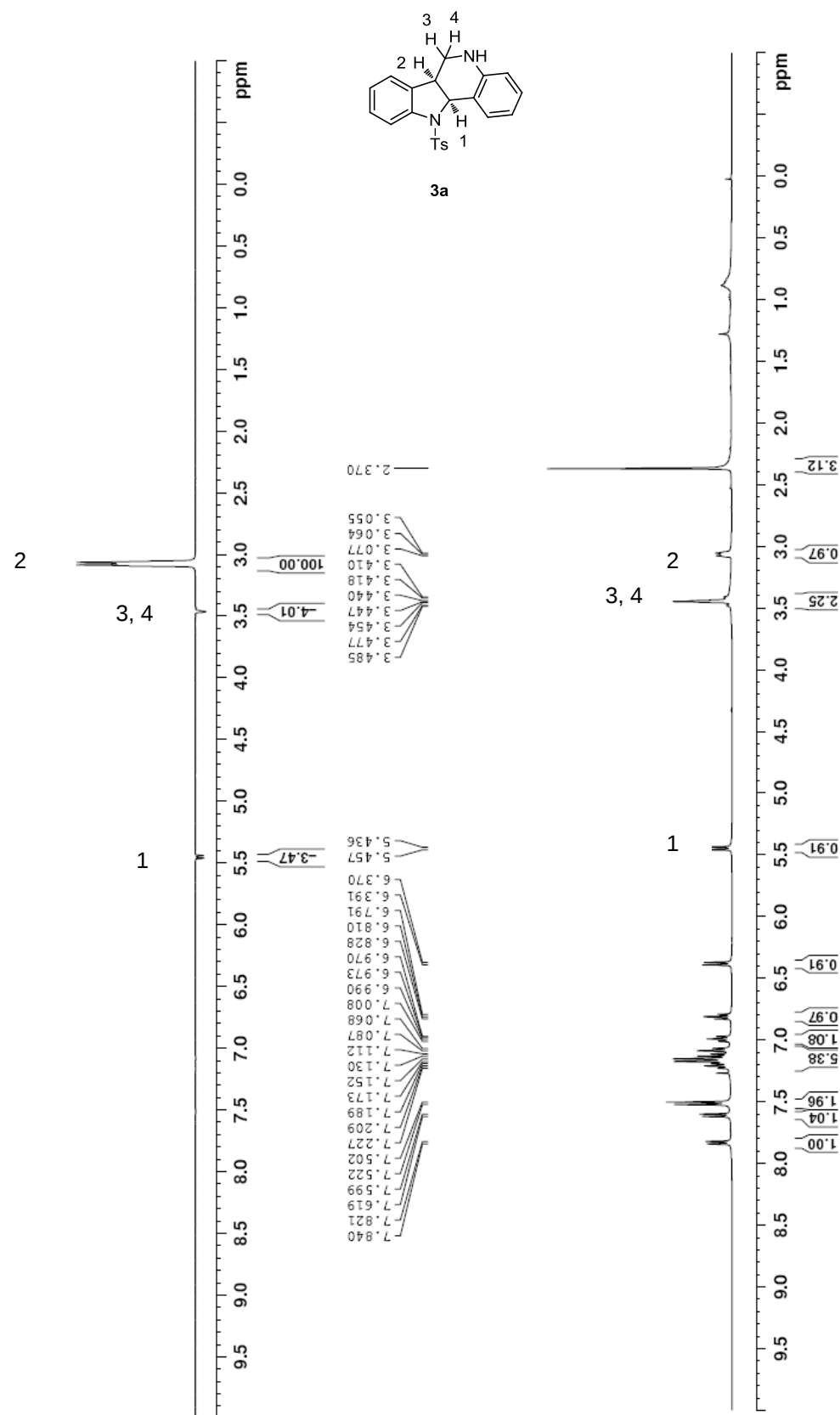


Fig. S2. 1D NOE Correlation of **3a** (400 MHz, CDCl_3)

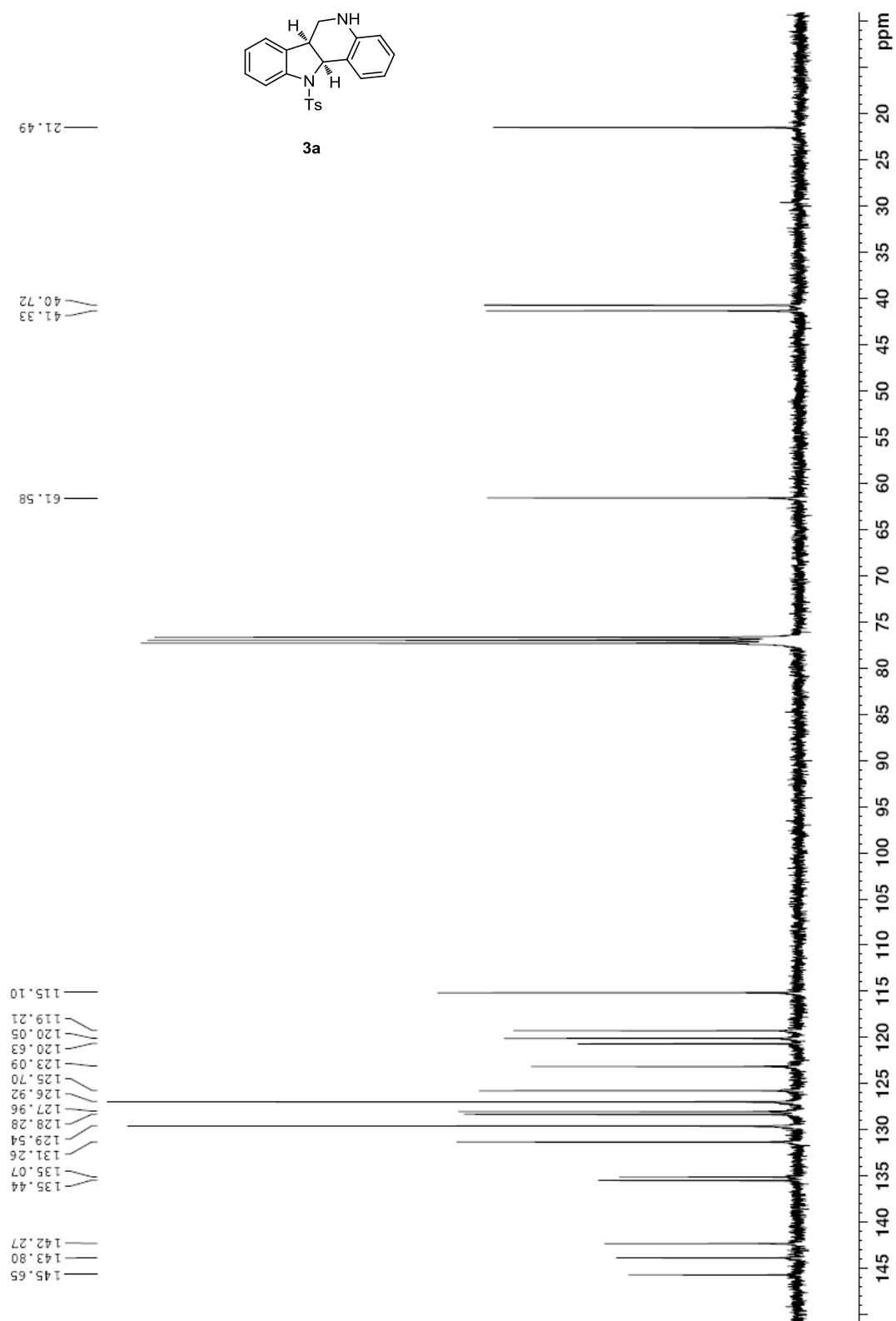


Fig. S3. ^{13}C NMR of **3a** (100 MHz, CDCl_3)

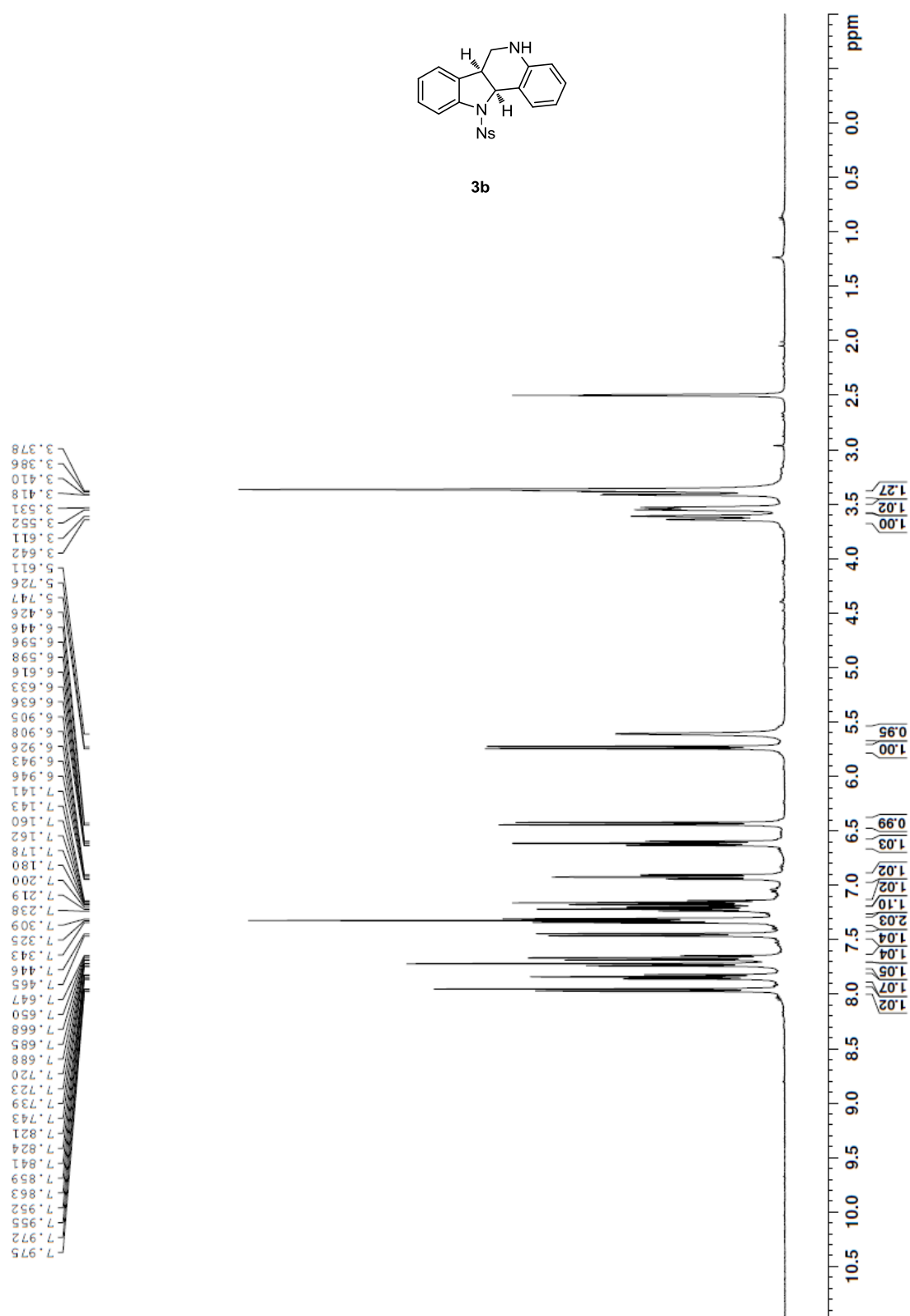


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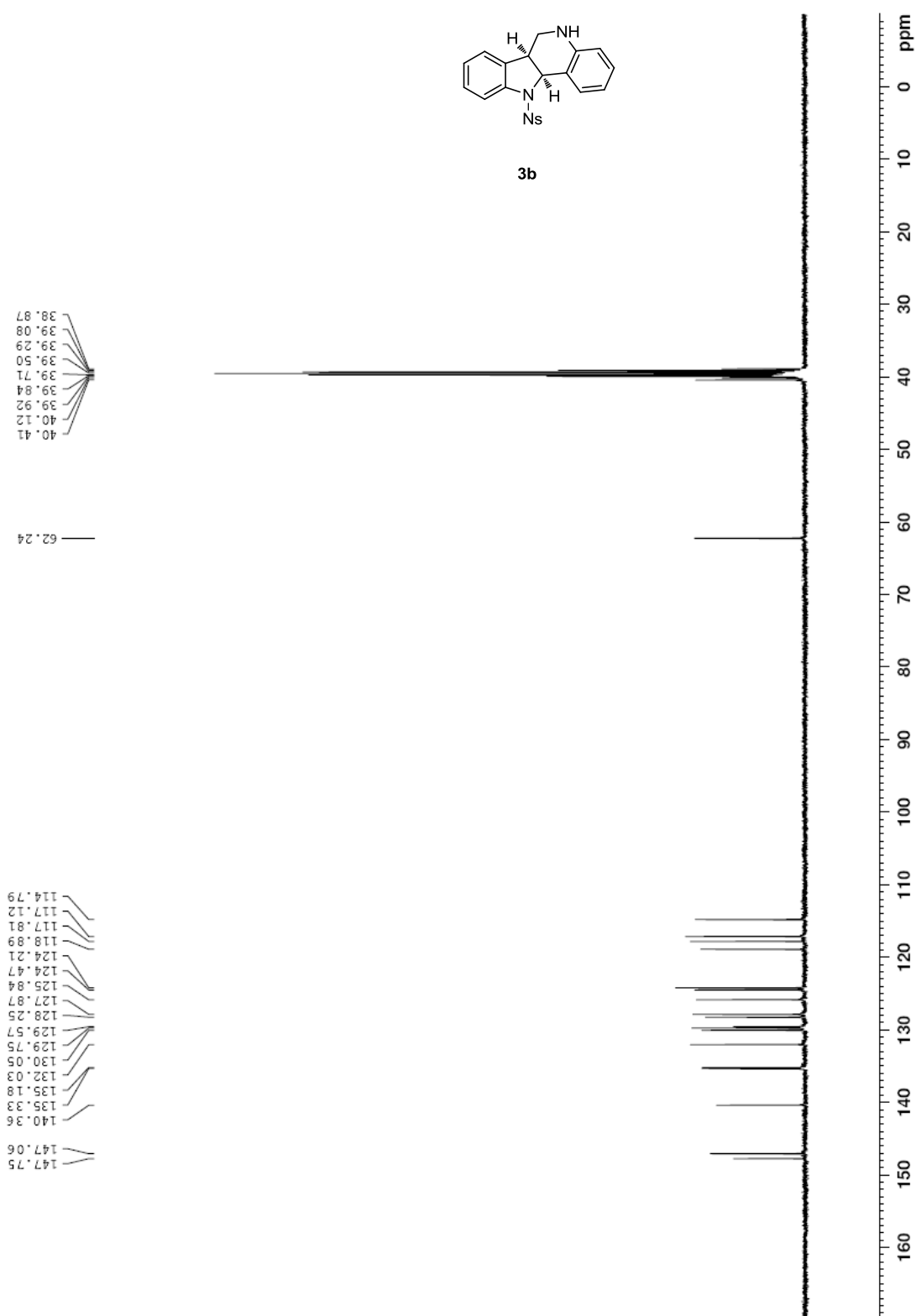


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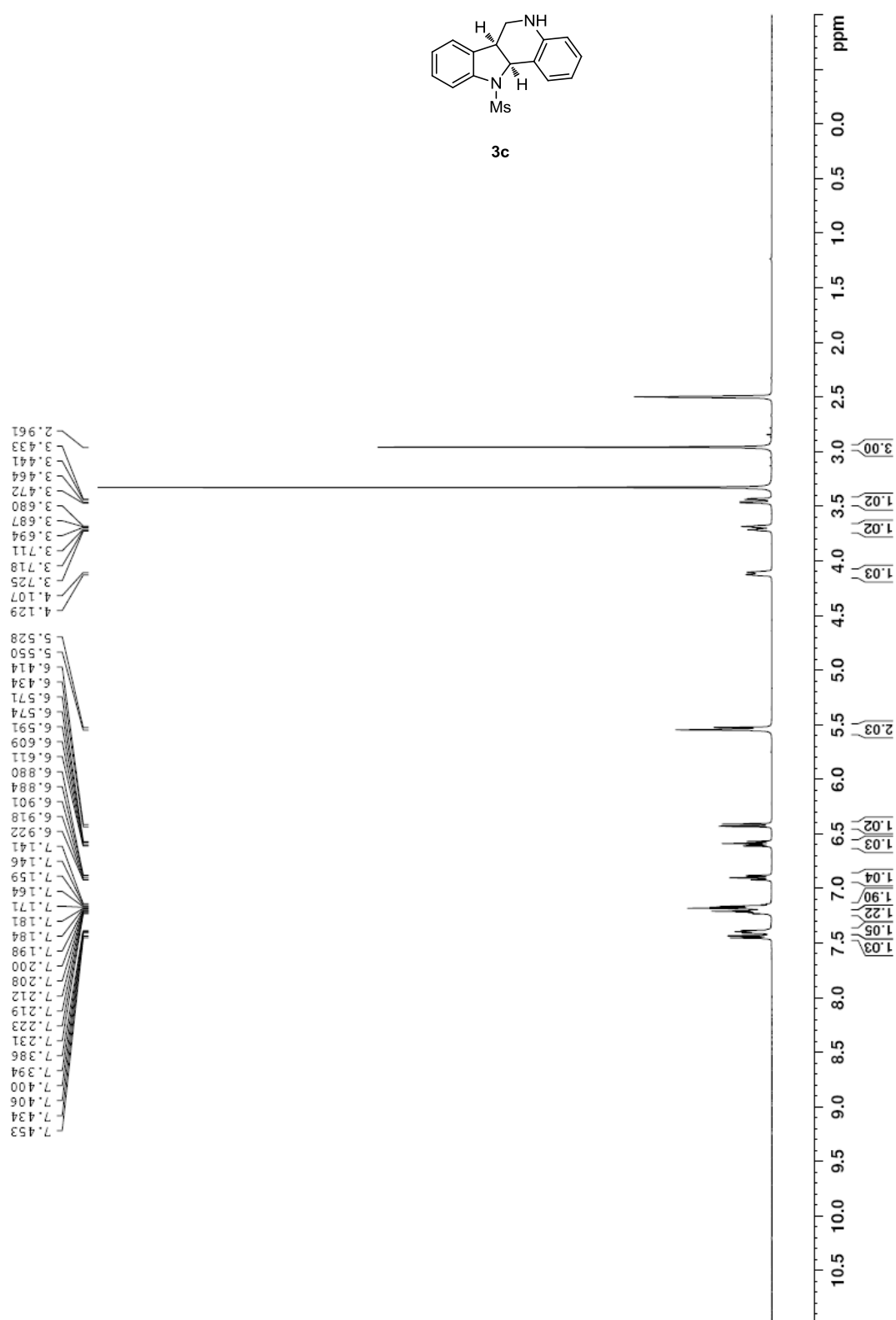


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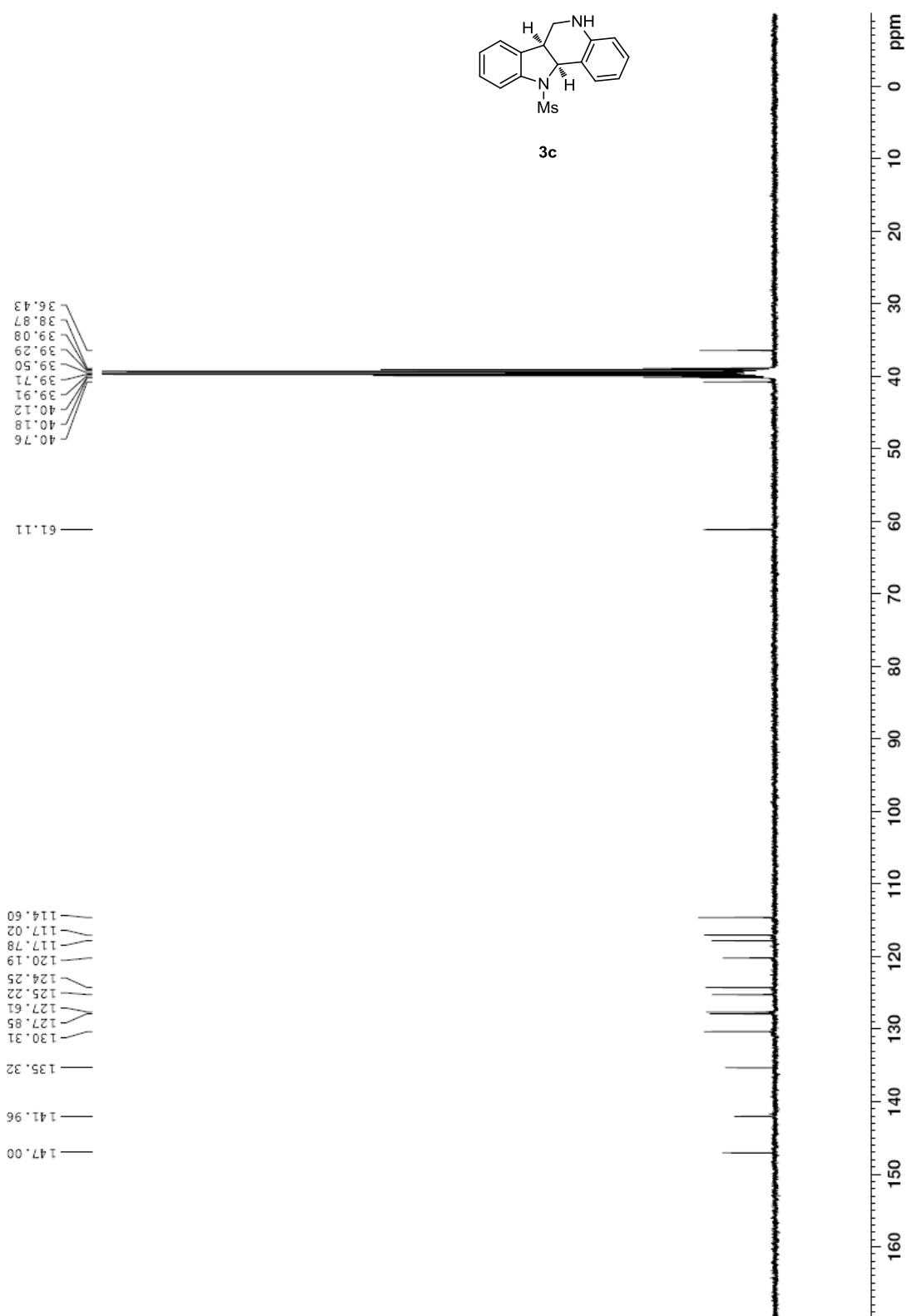


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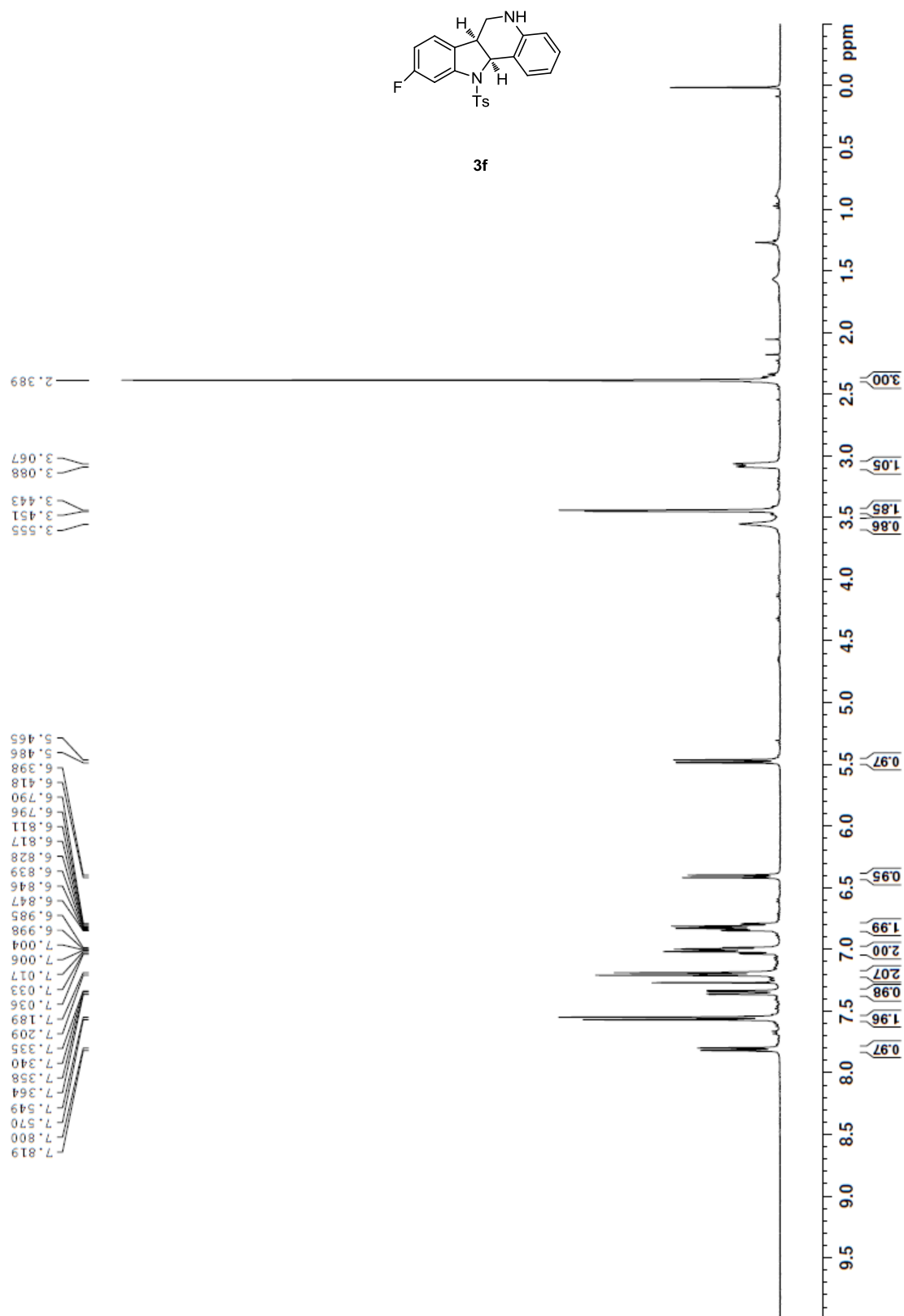


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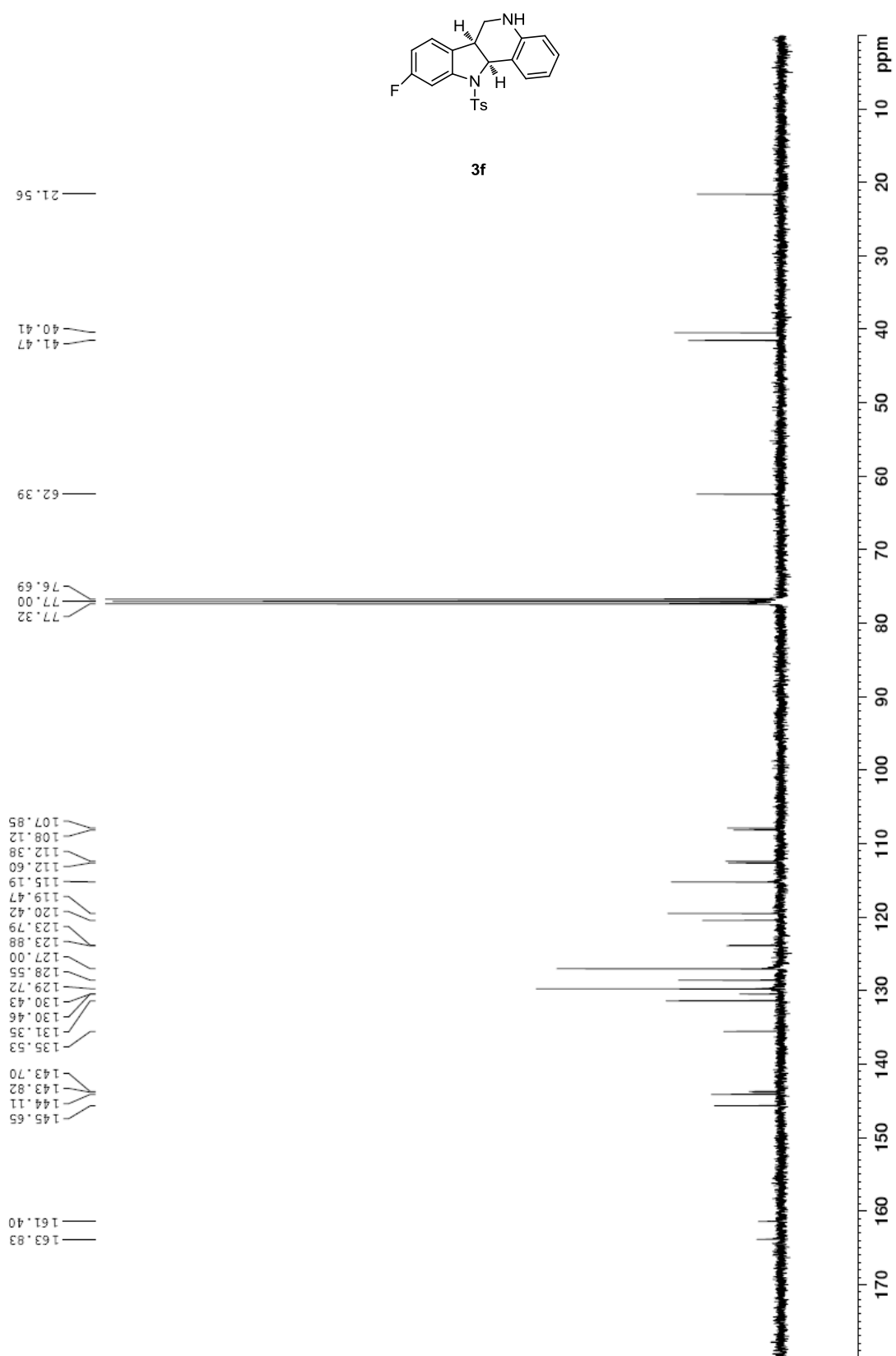


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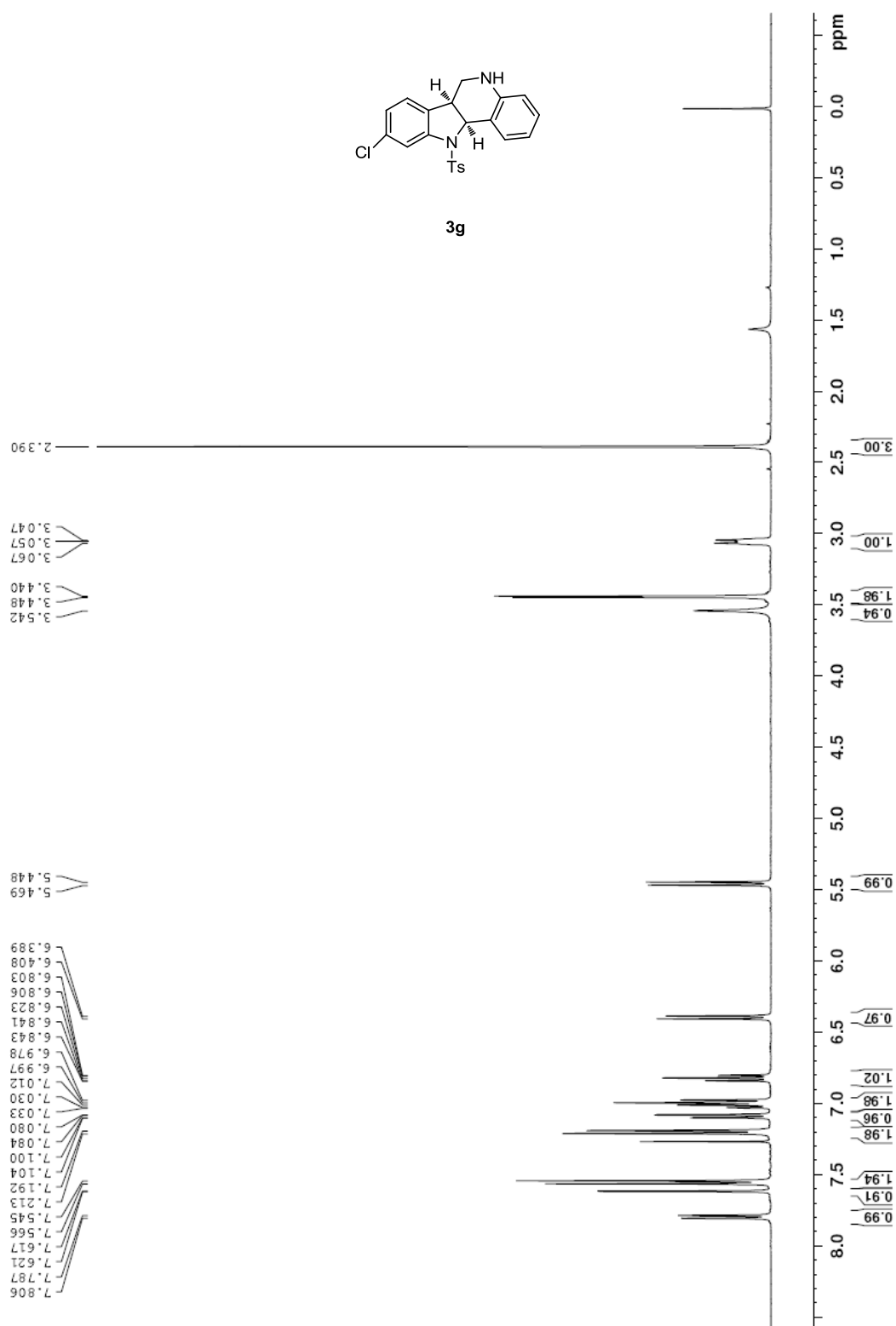


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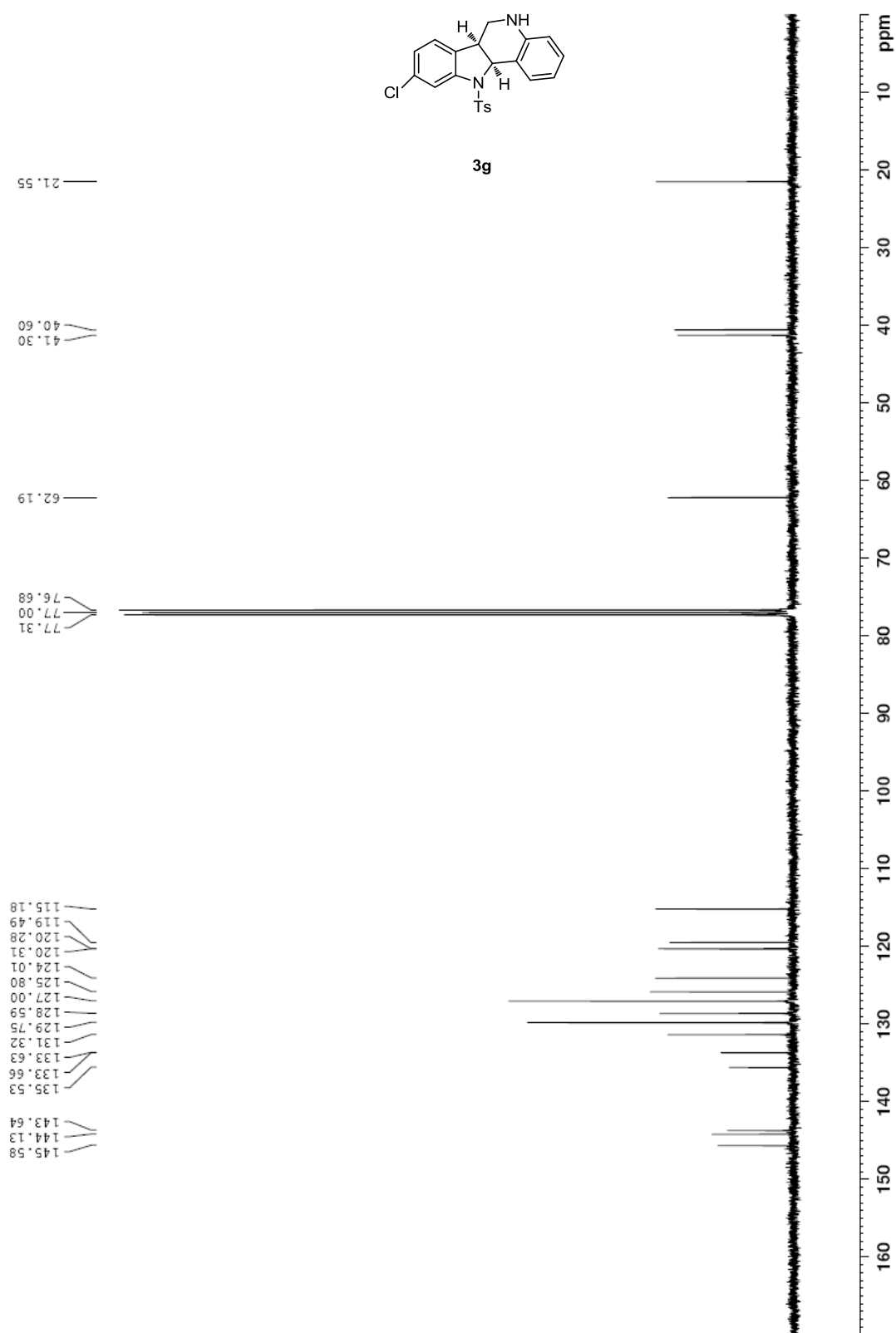


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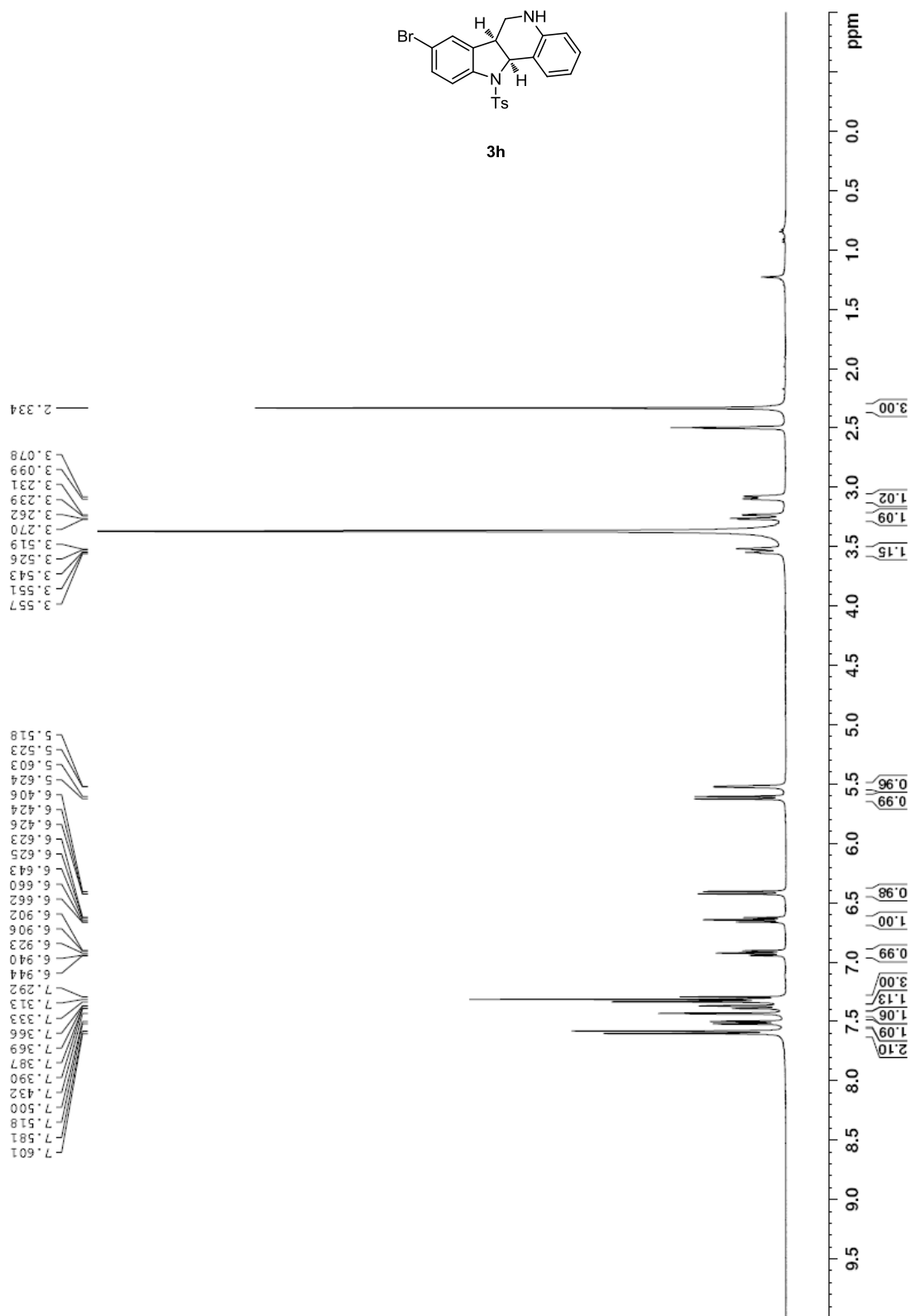


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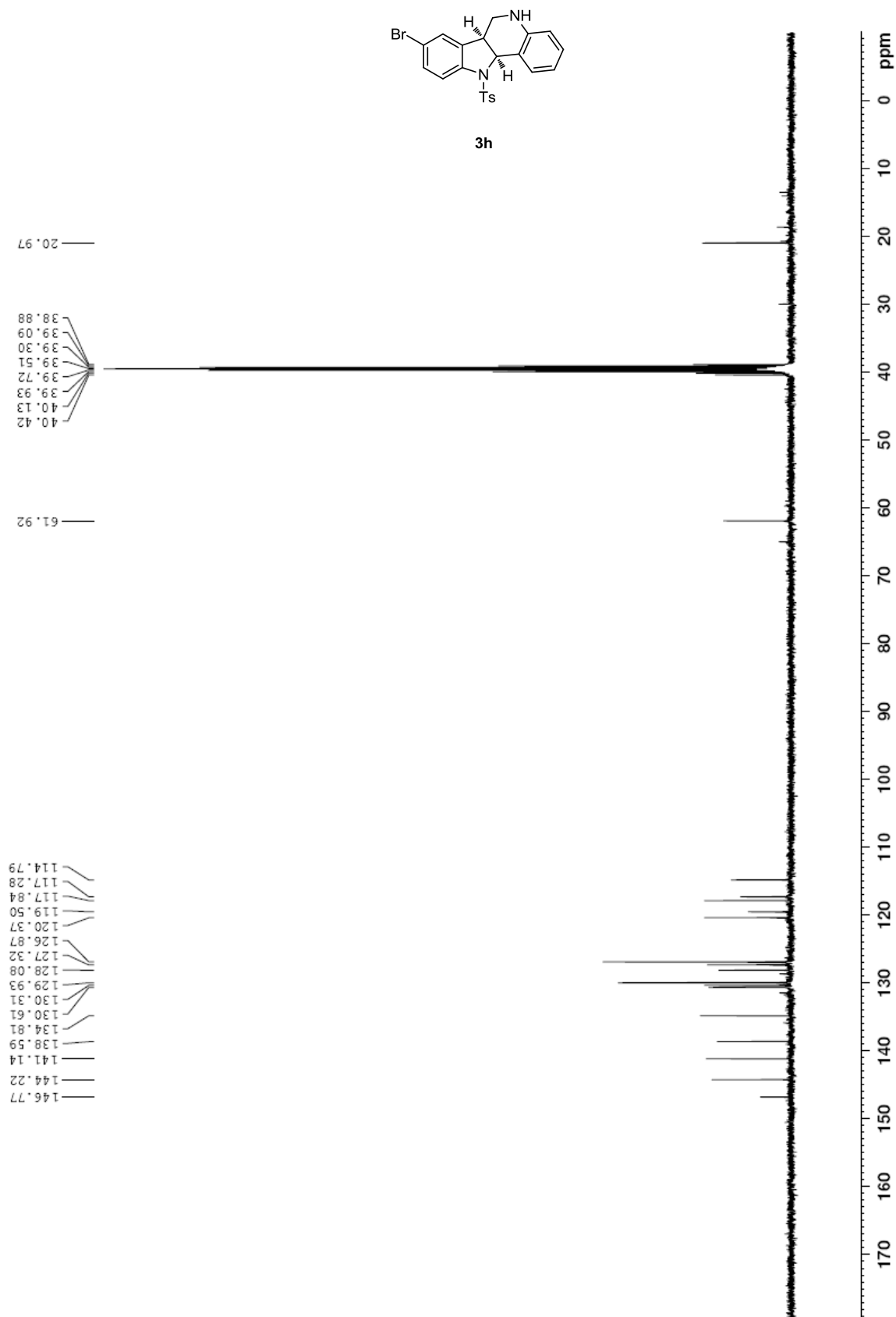


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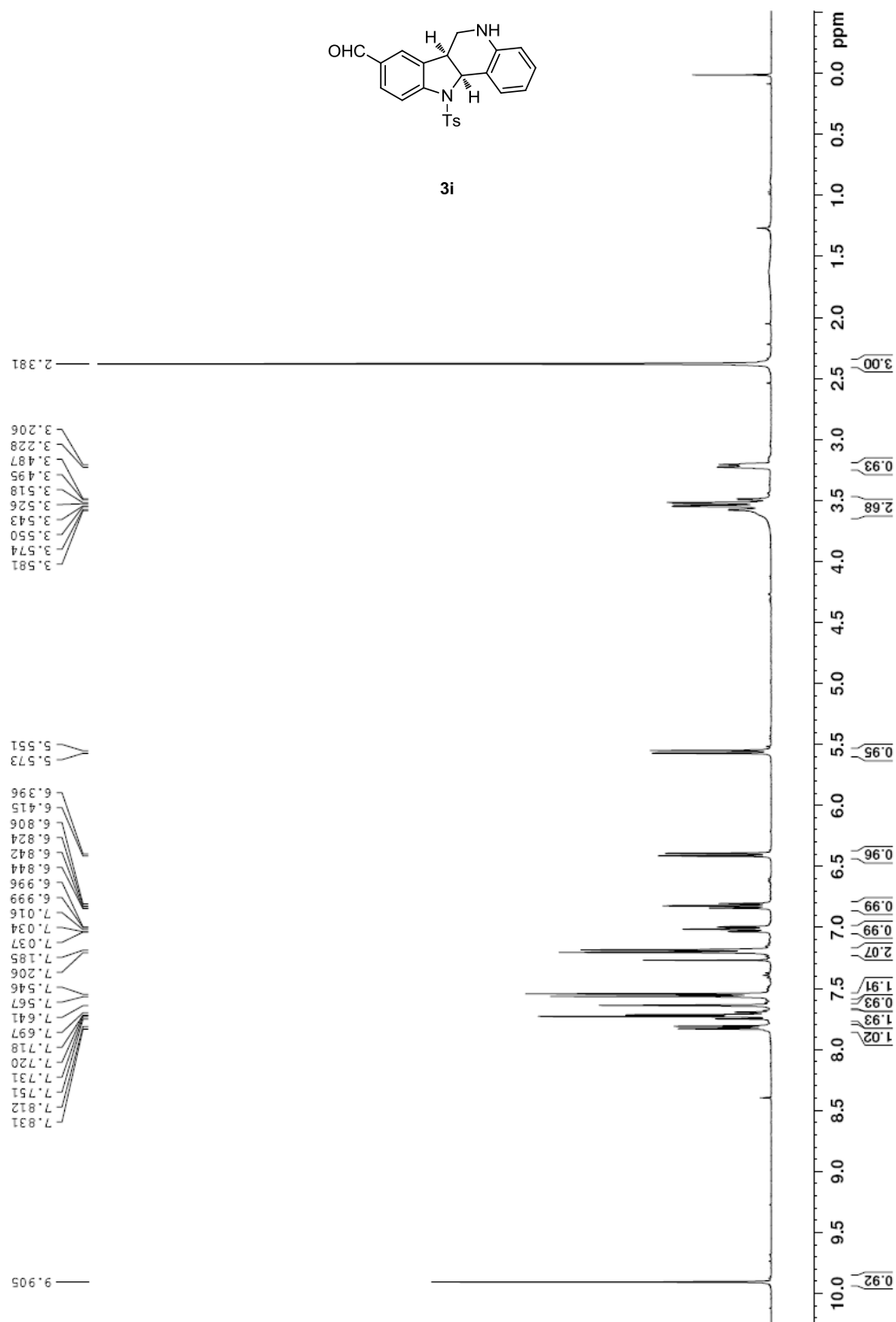


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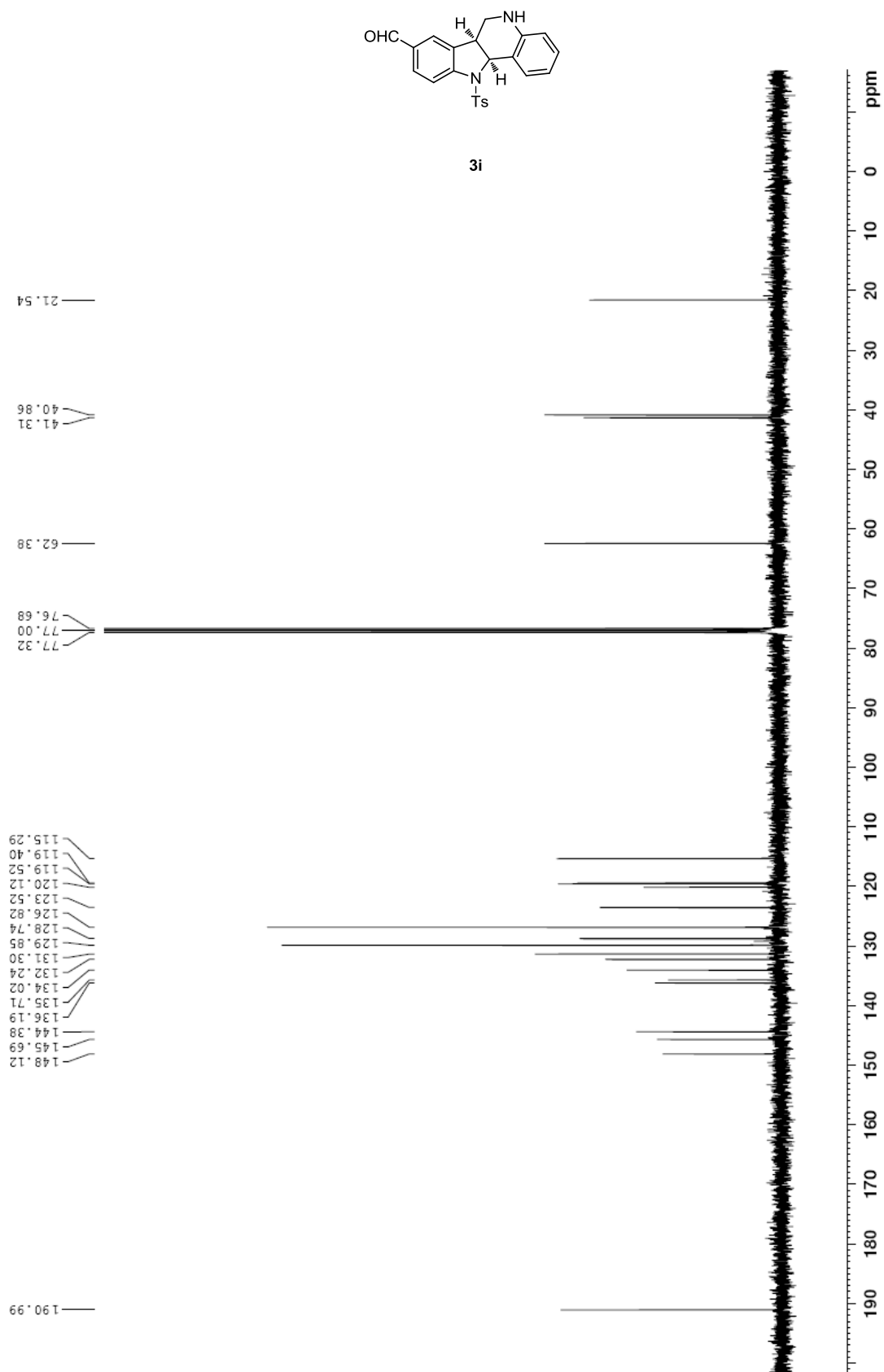


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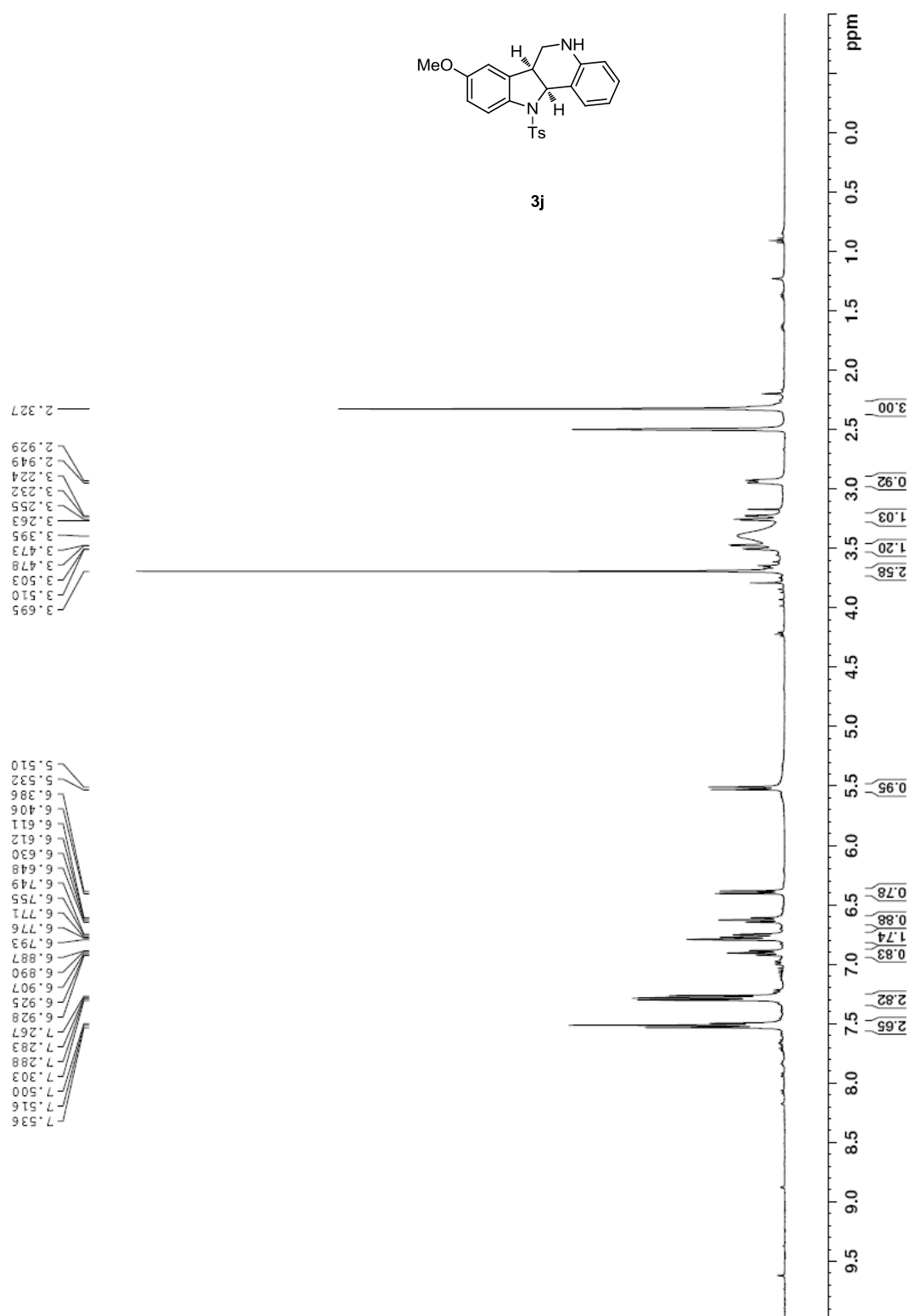


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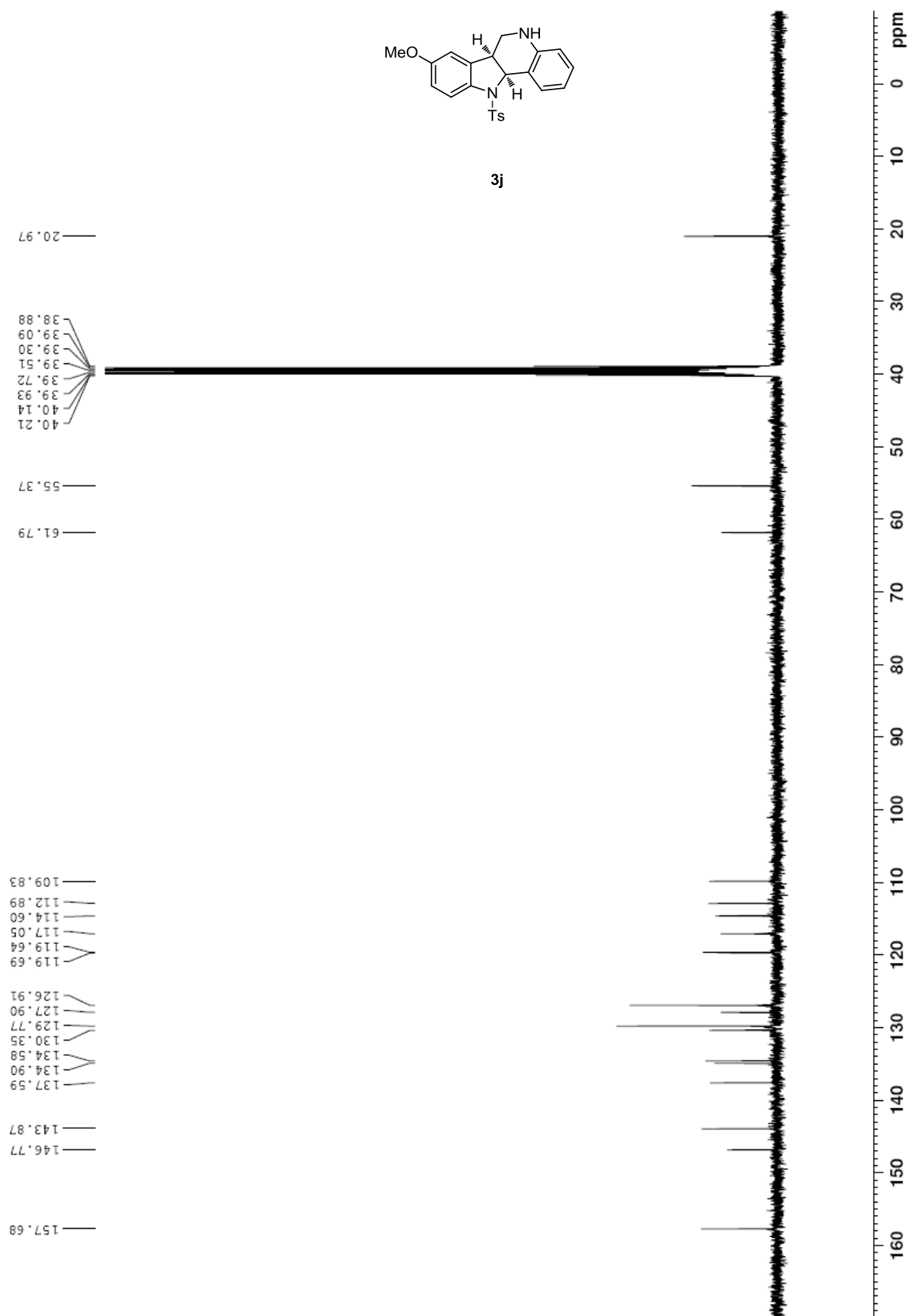


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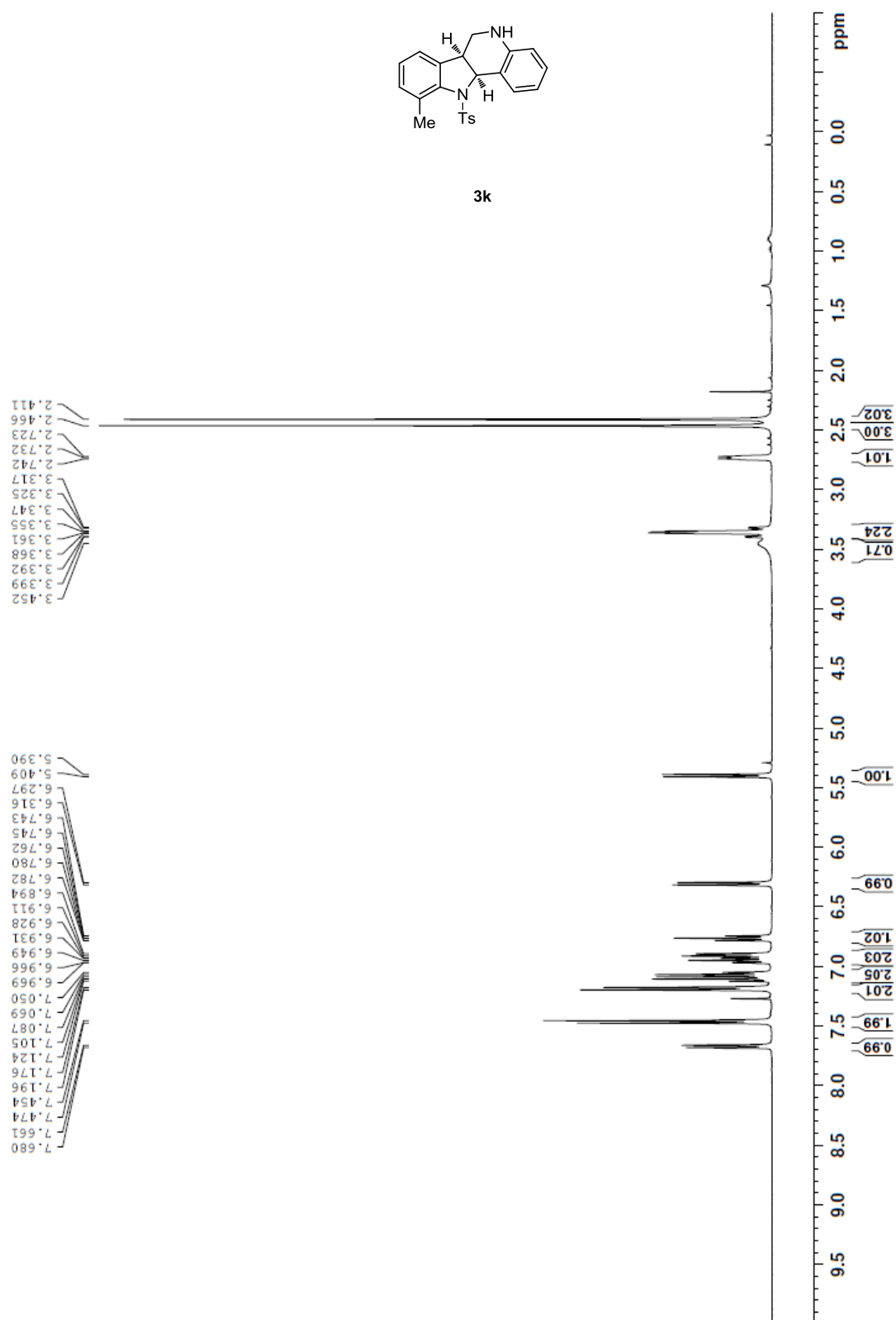


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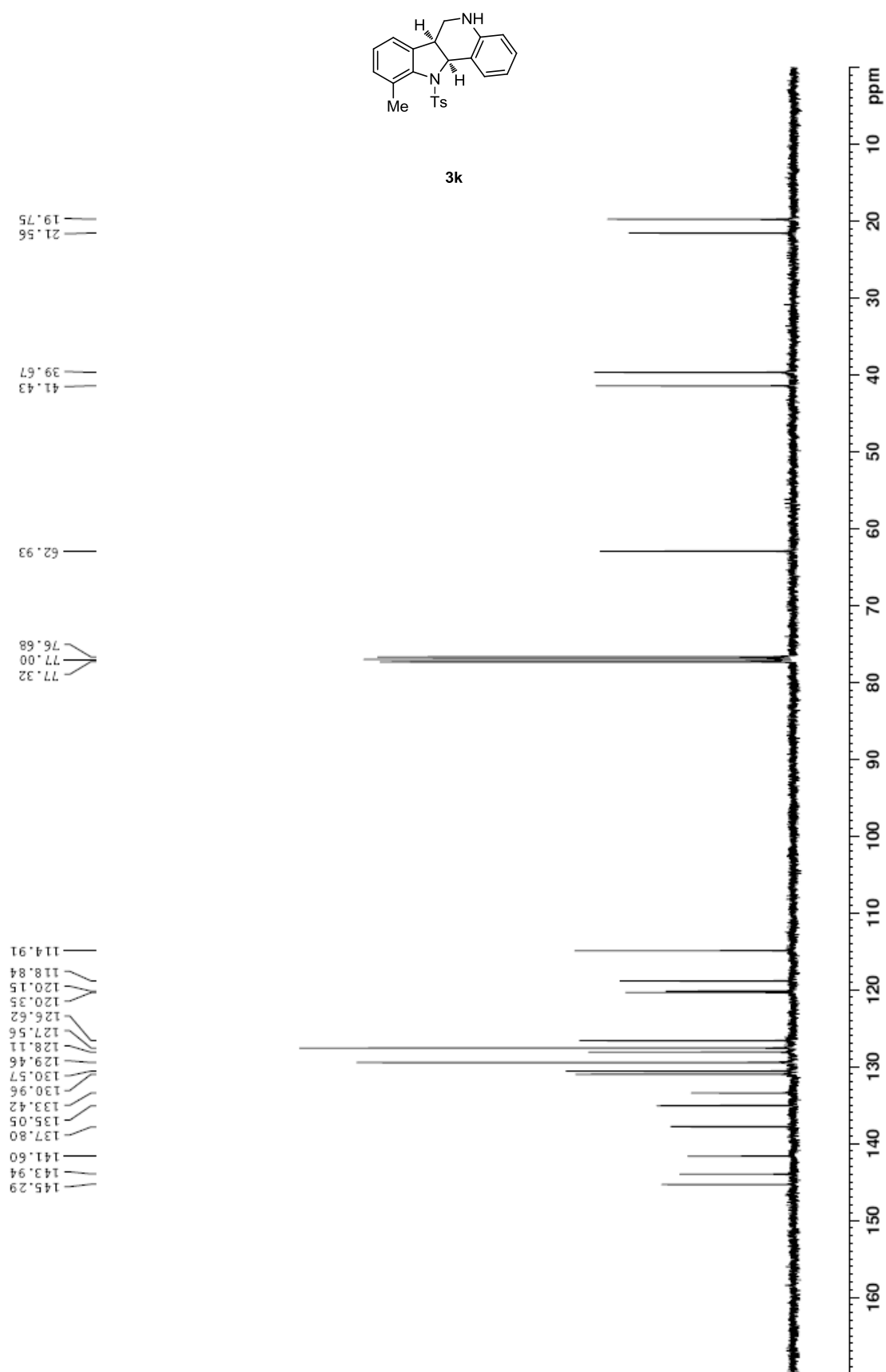


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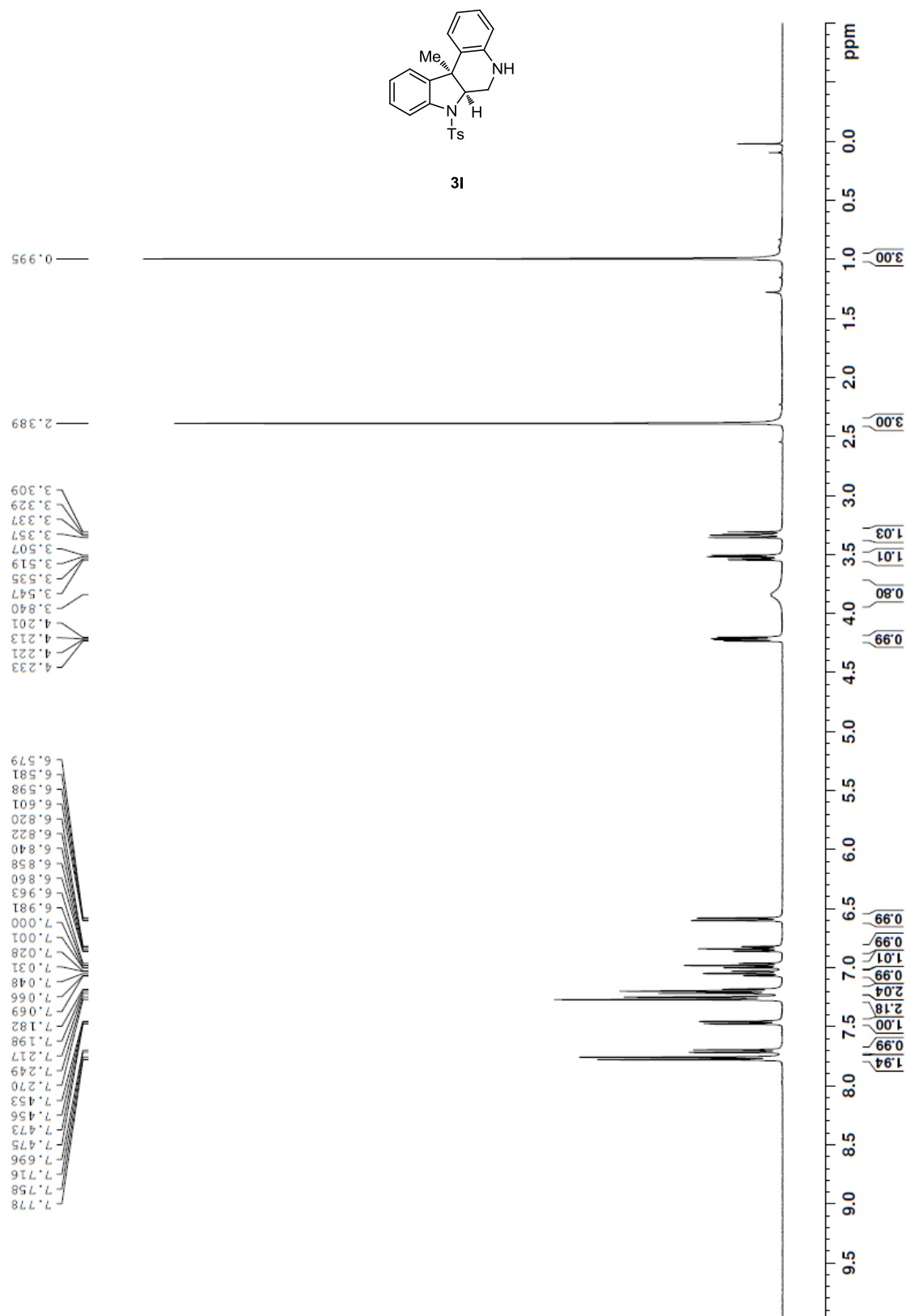


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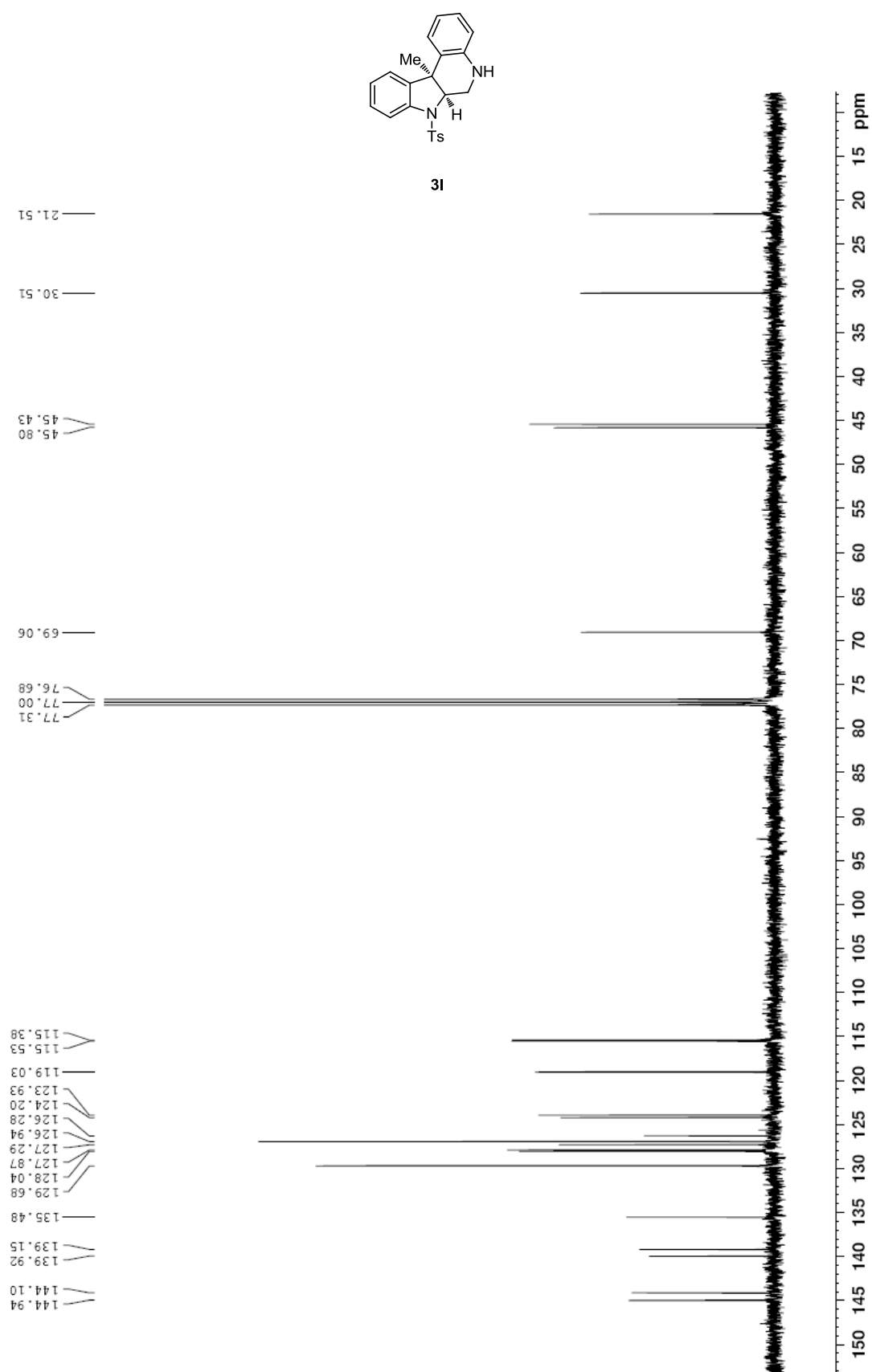


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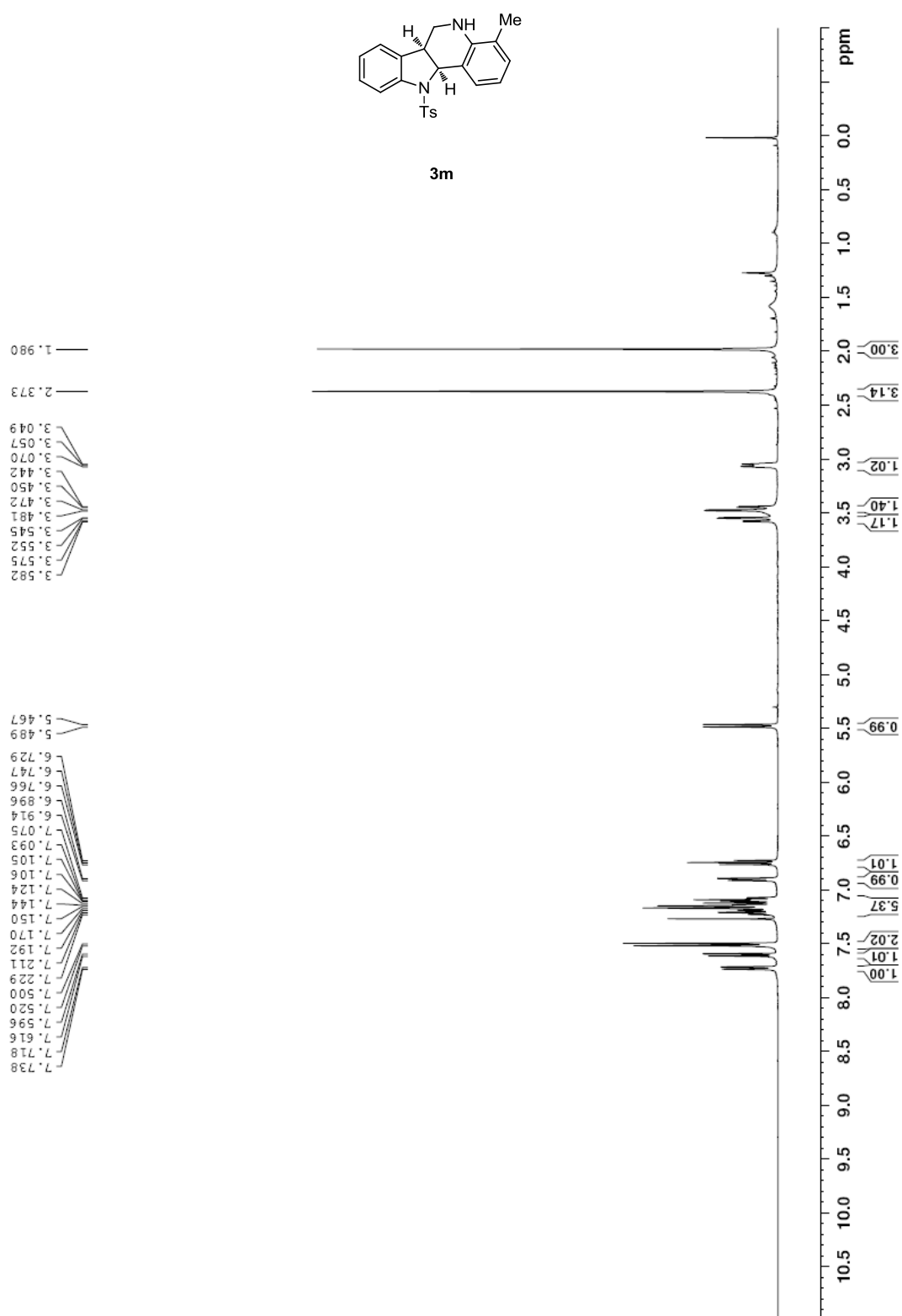


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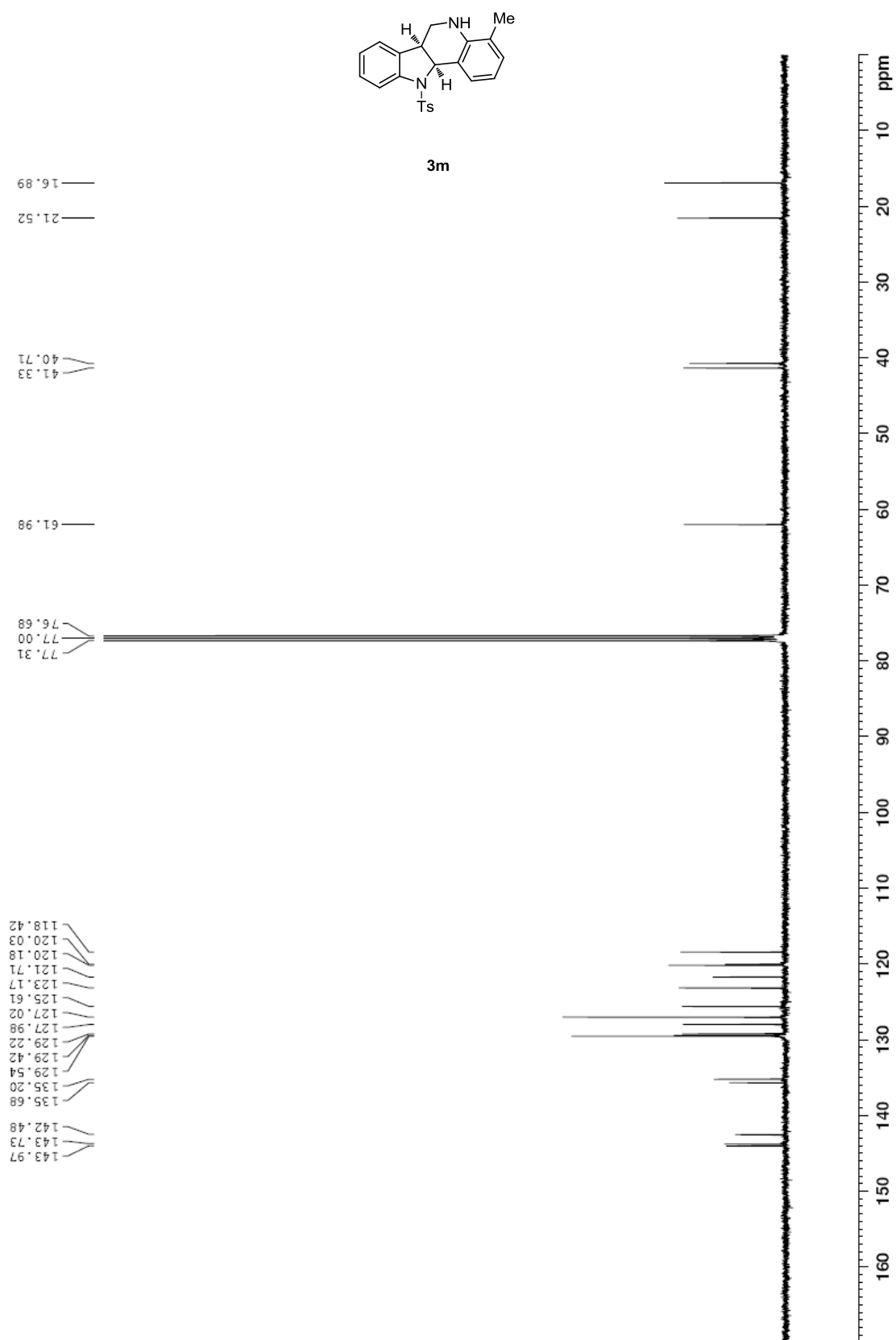


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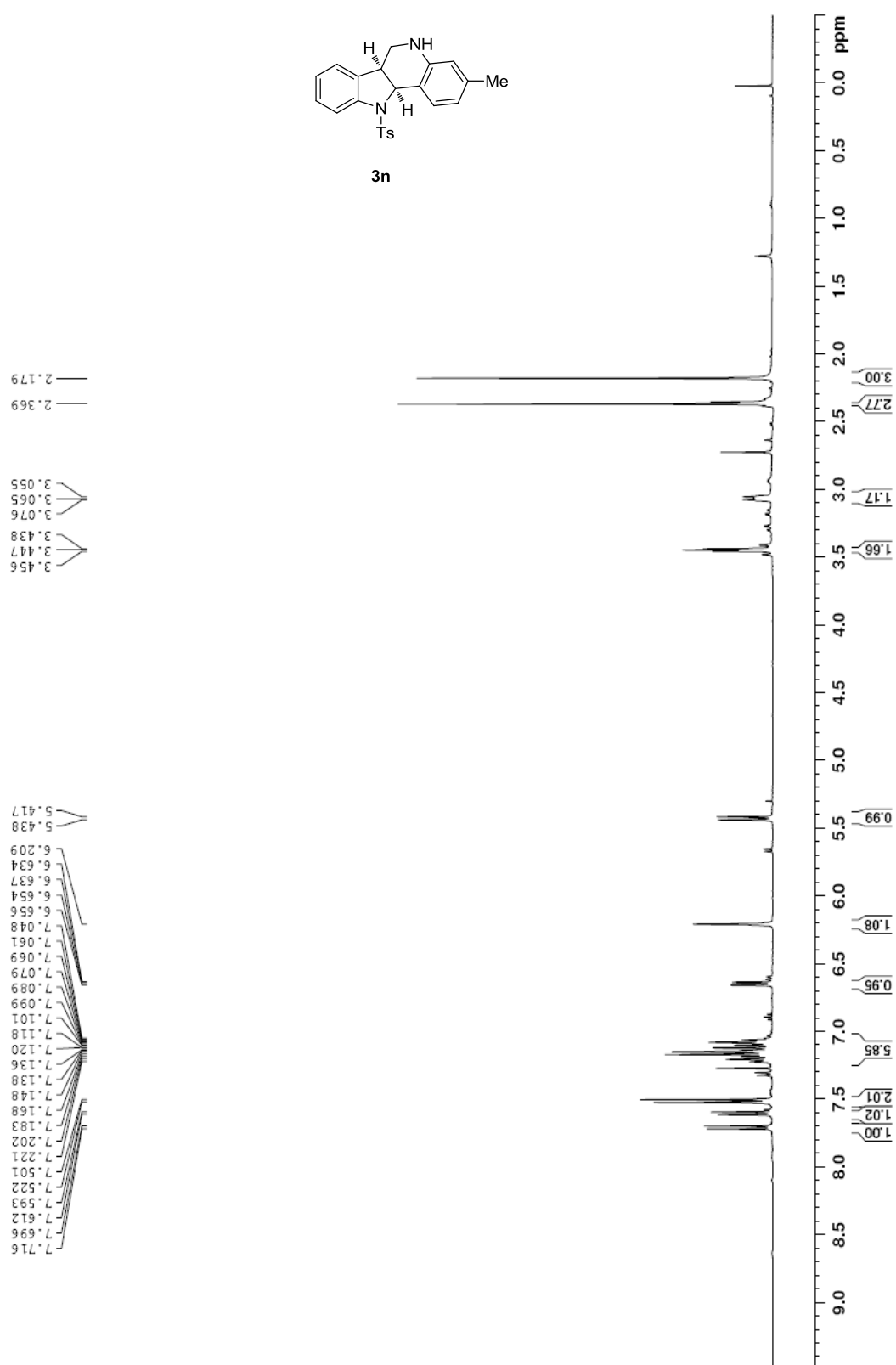


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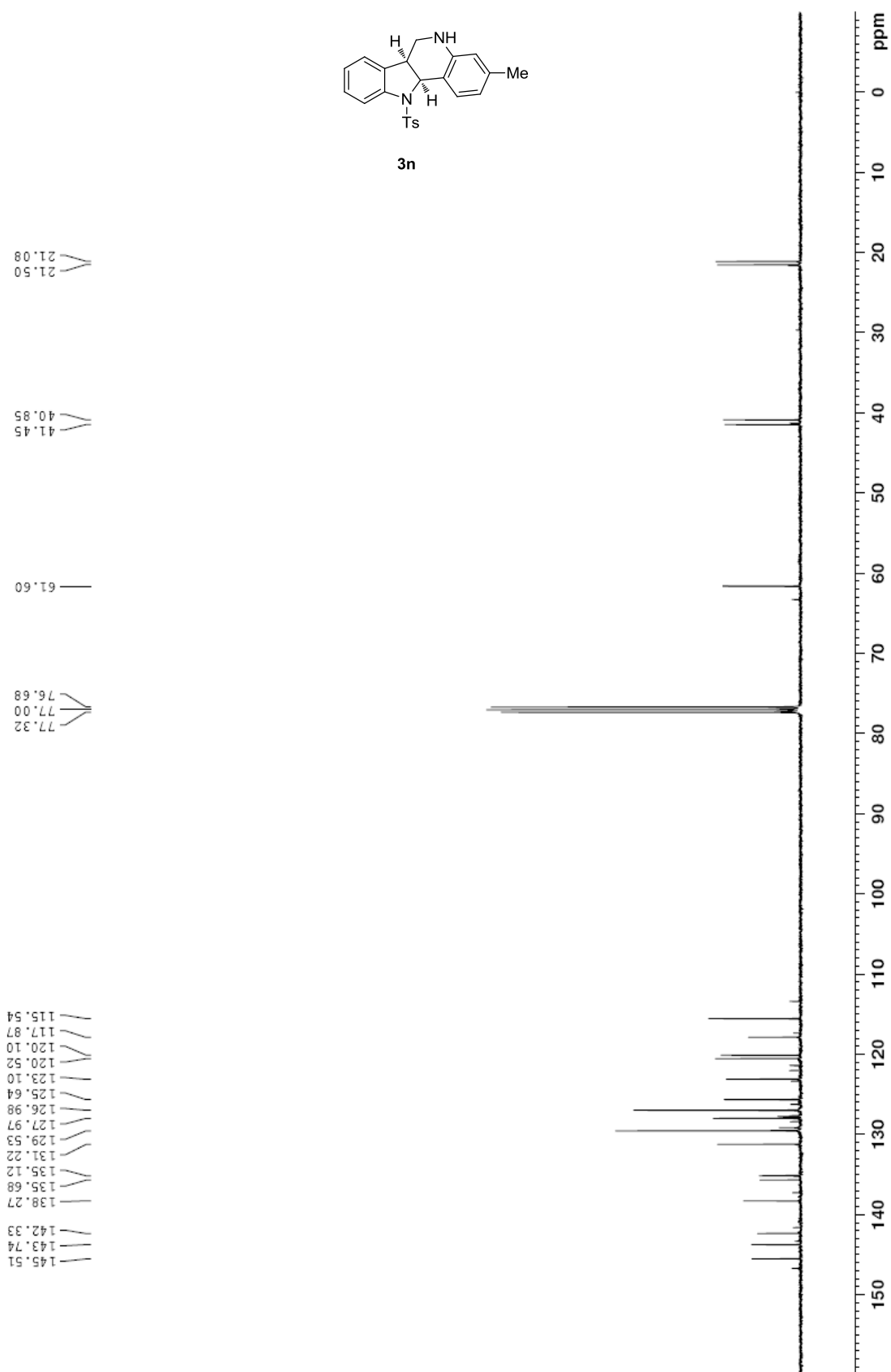


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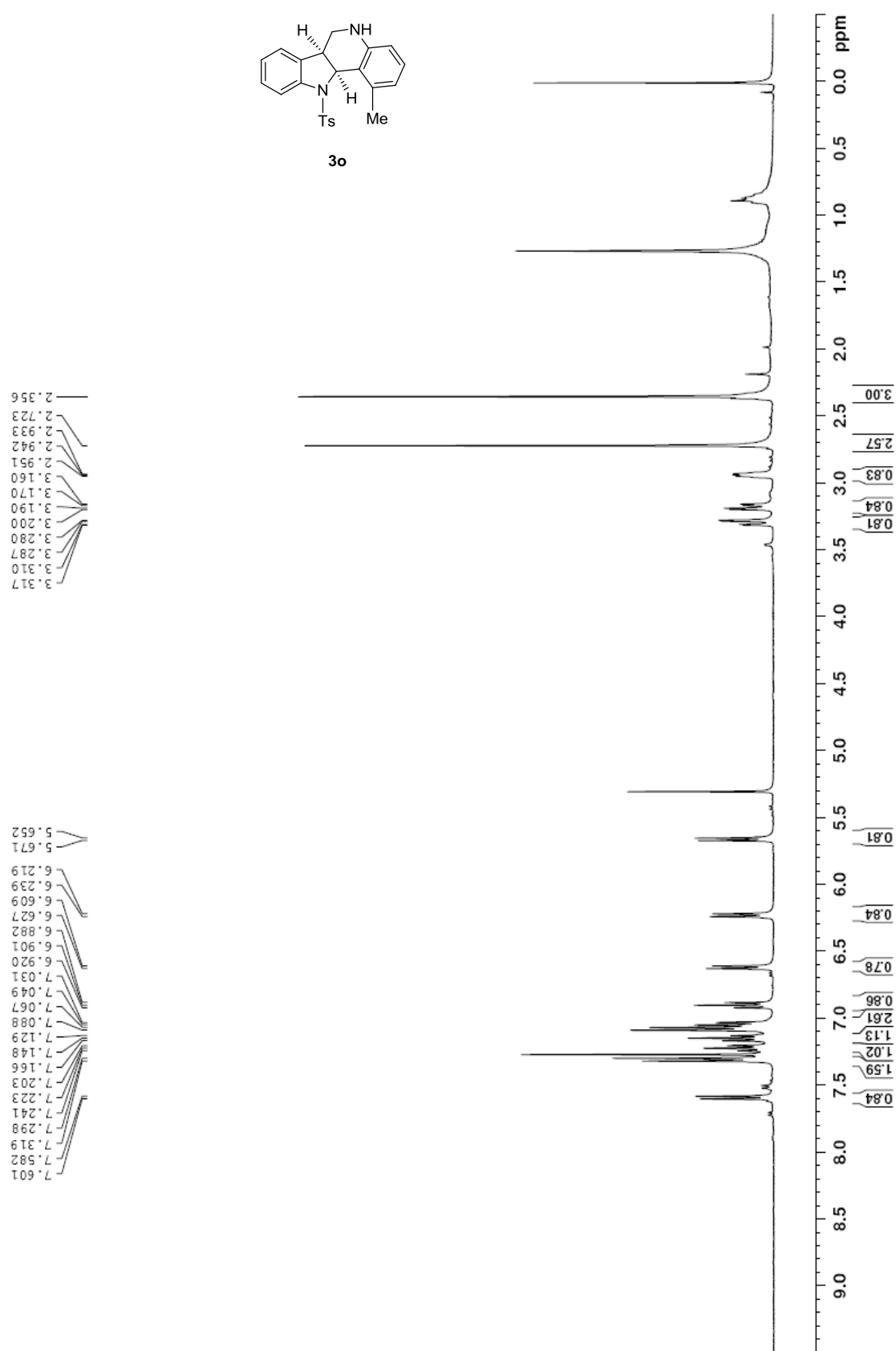


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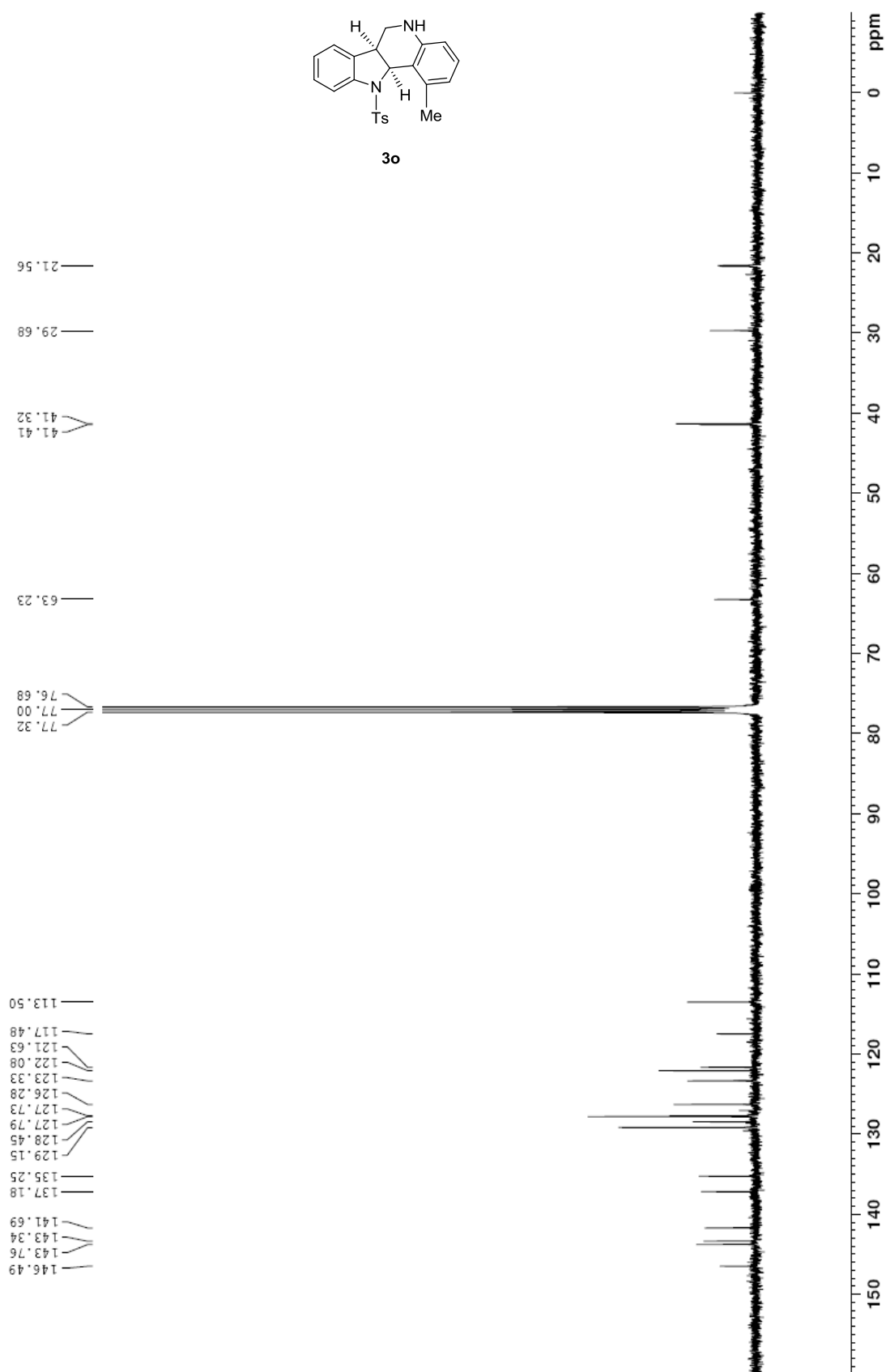


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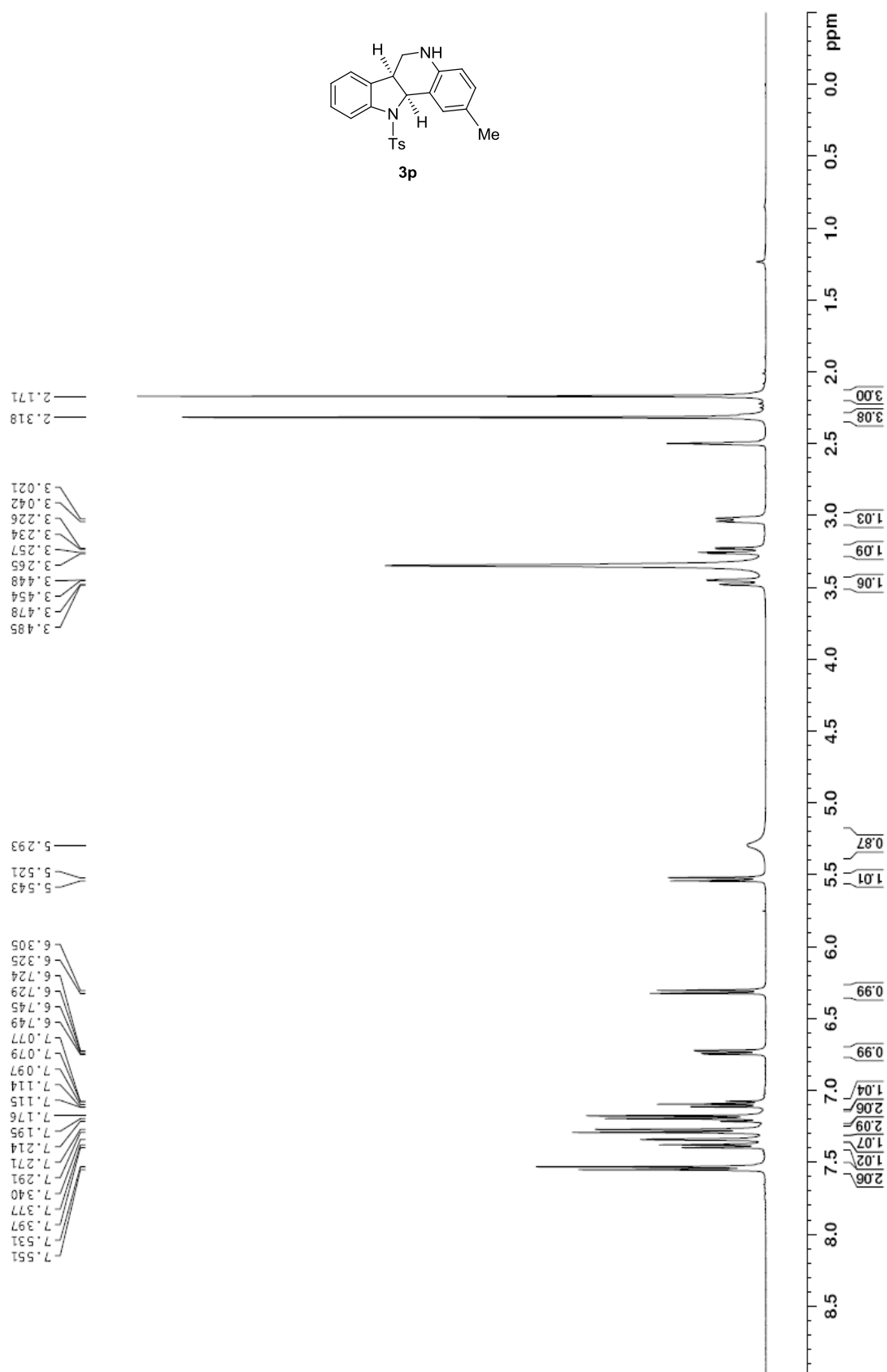


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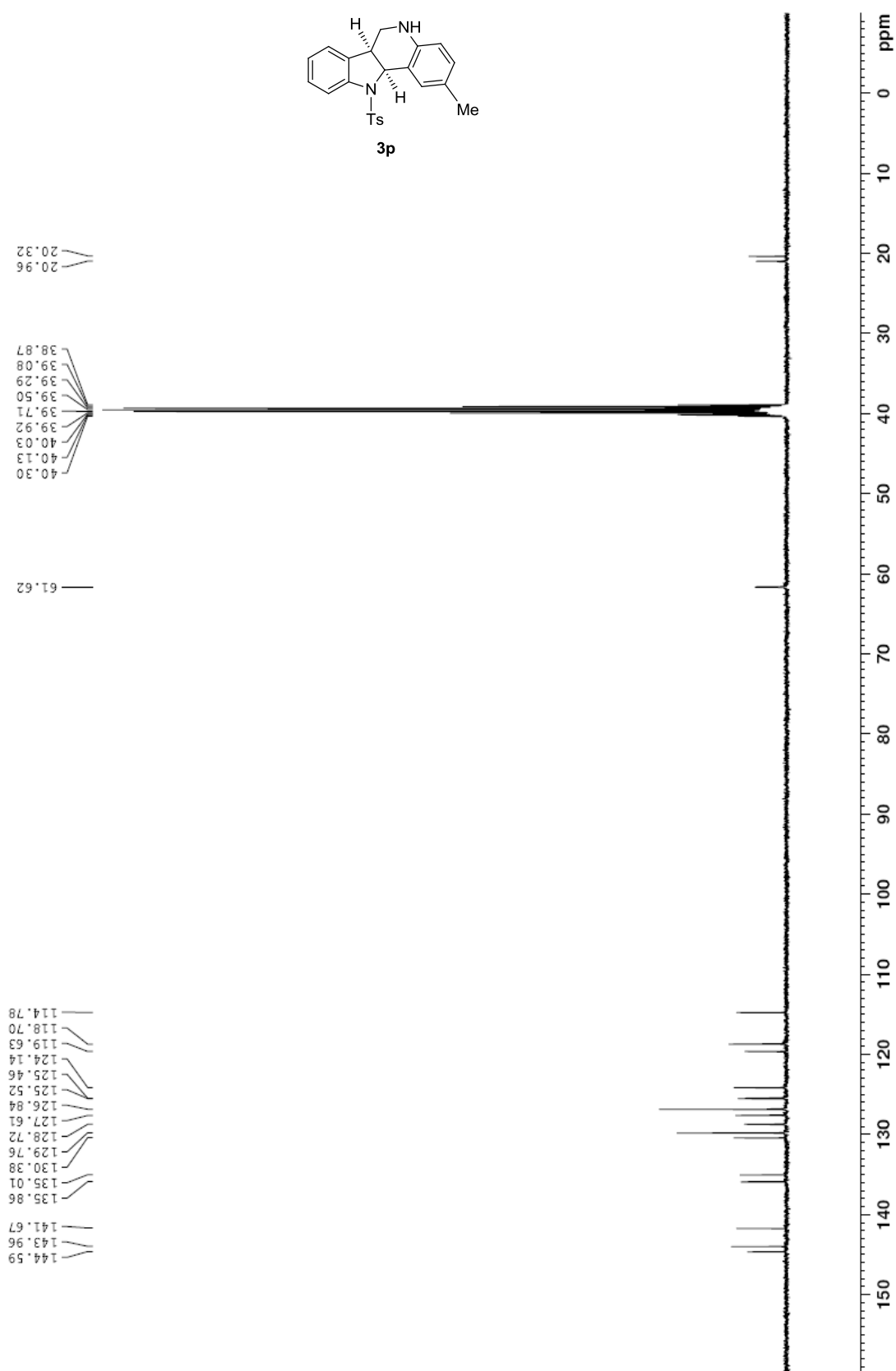


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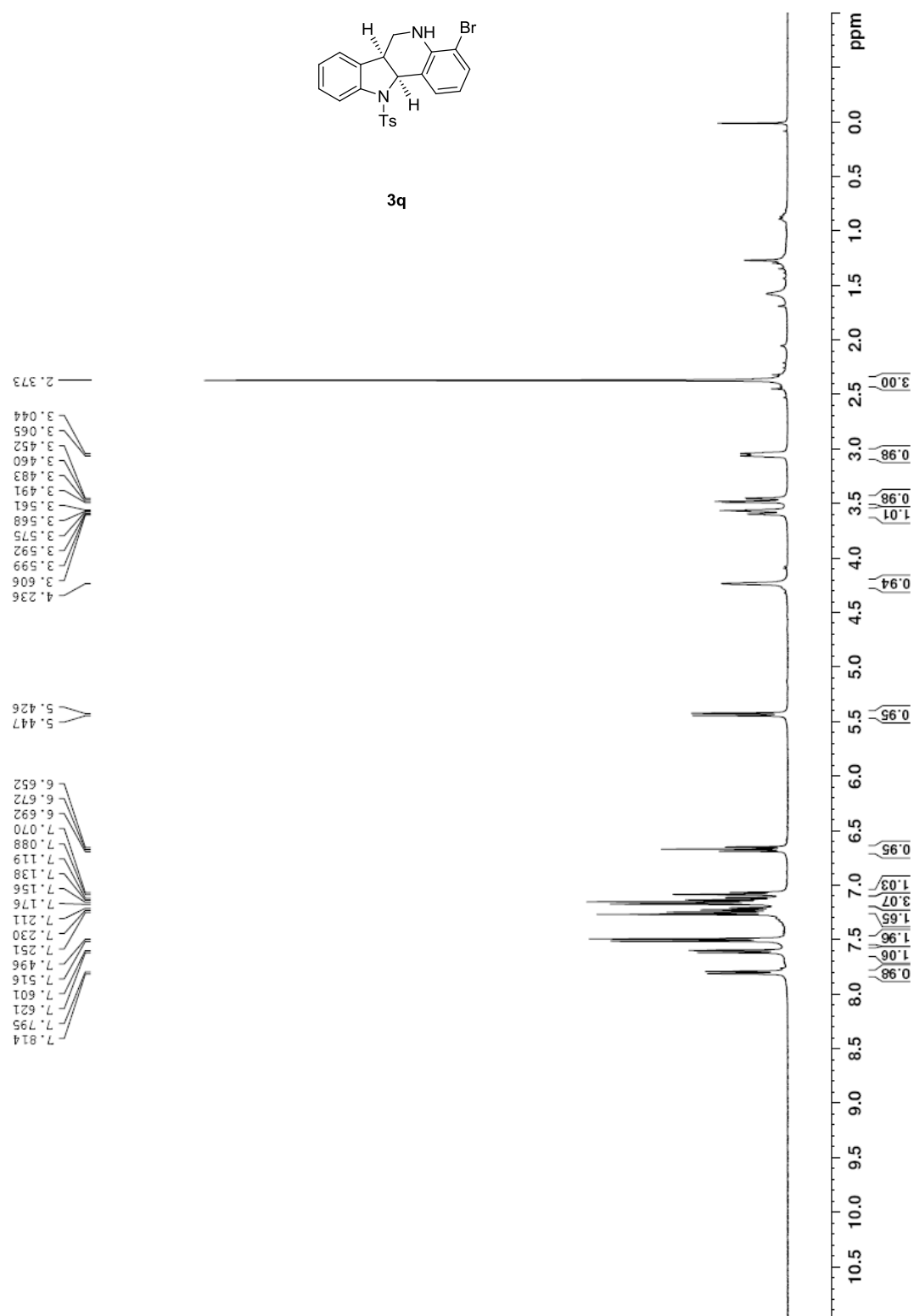


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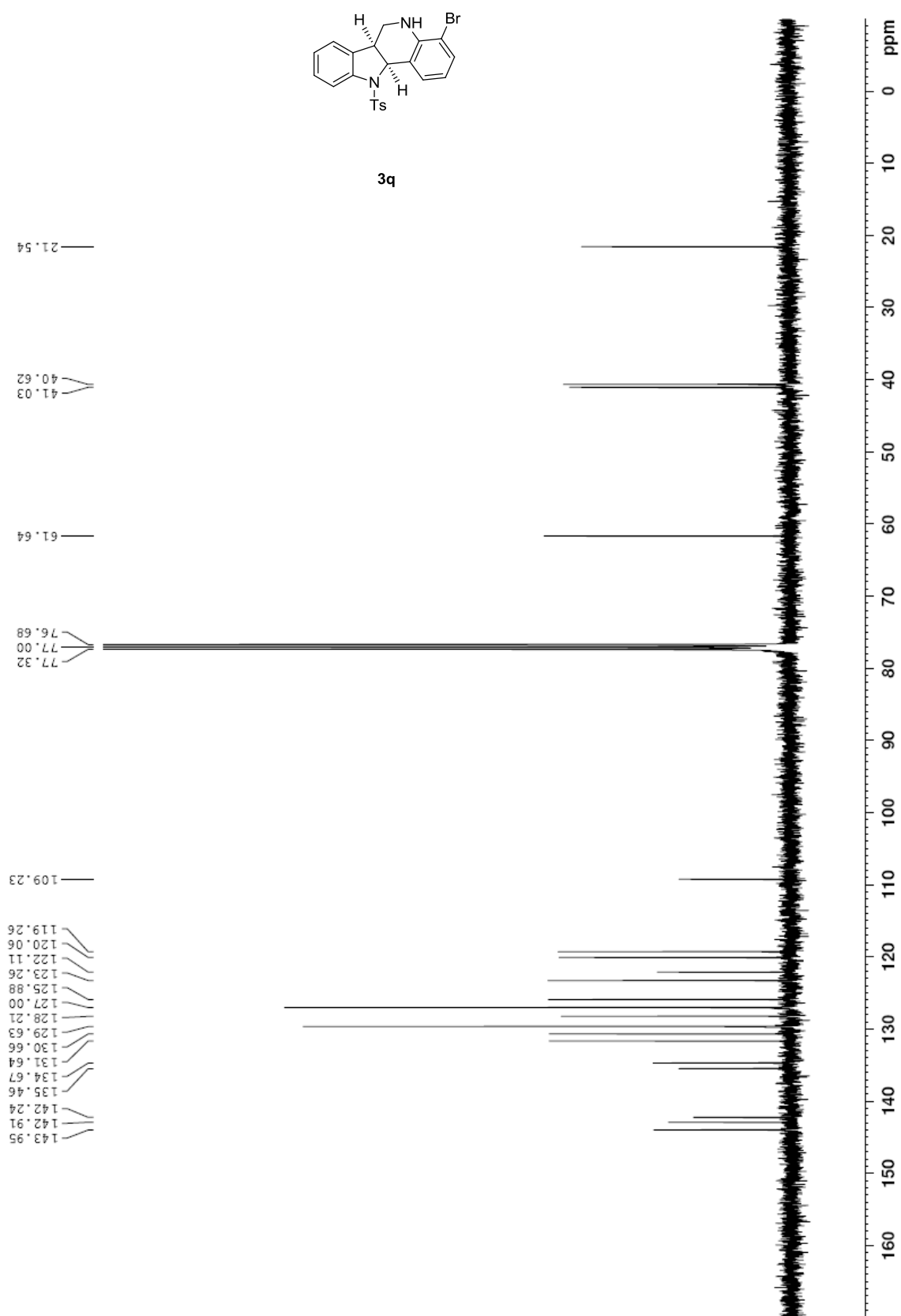


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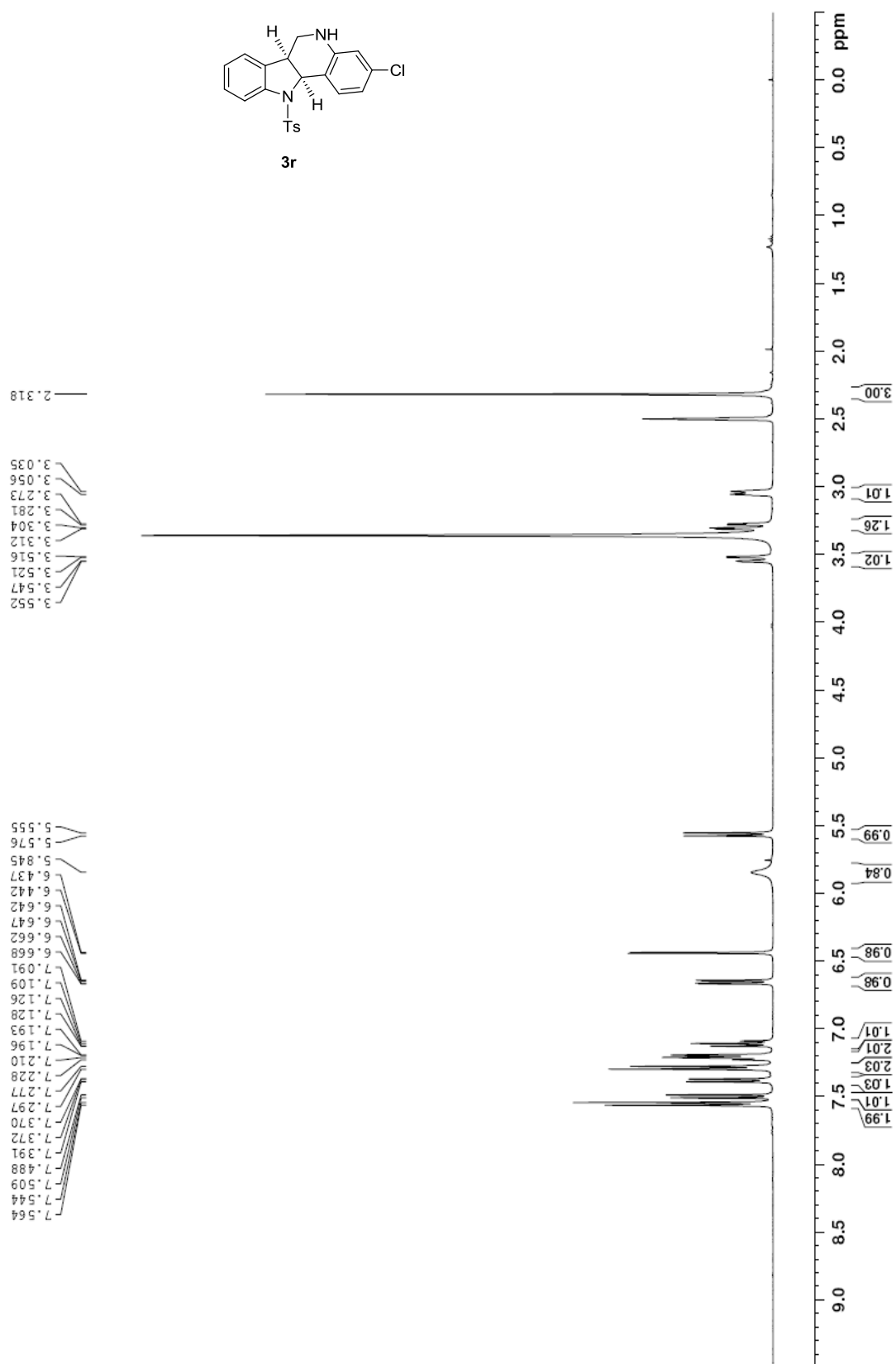


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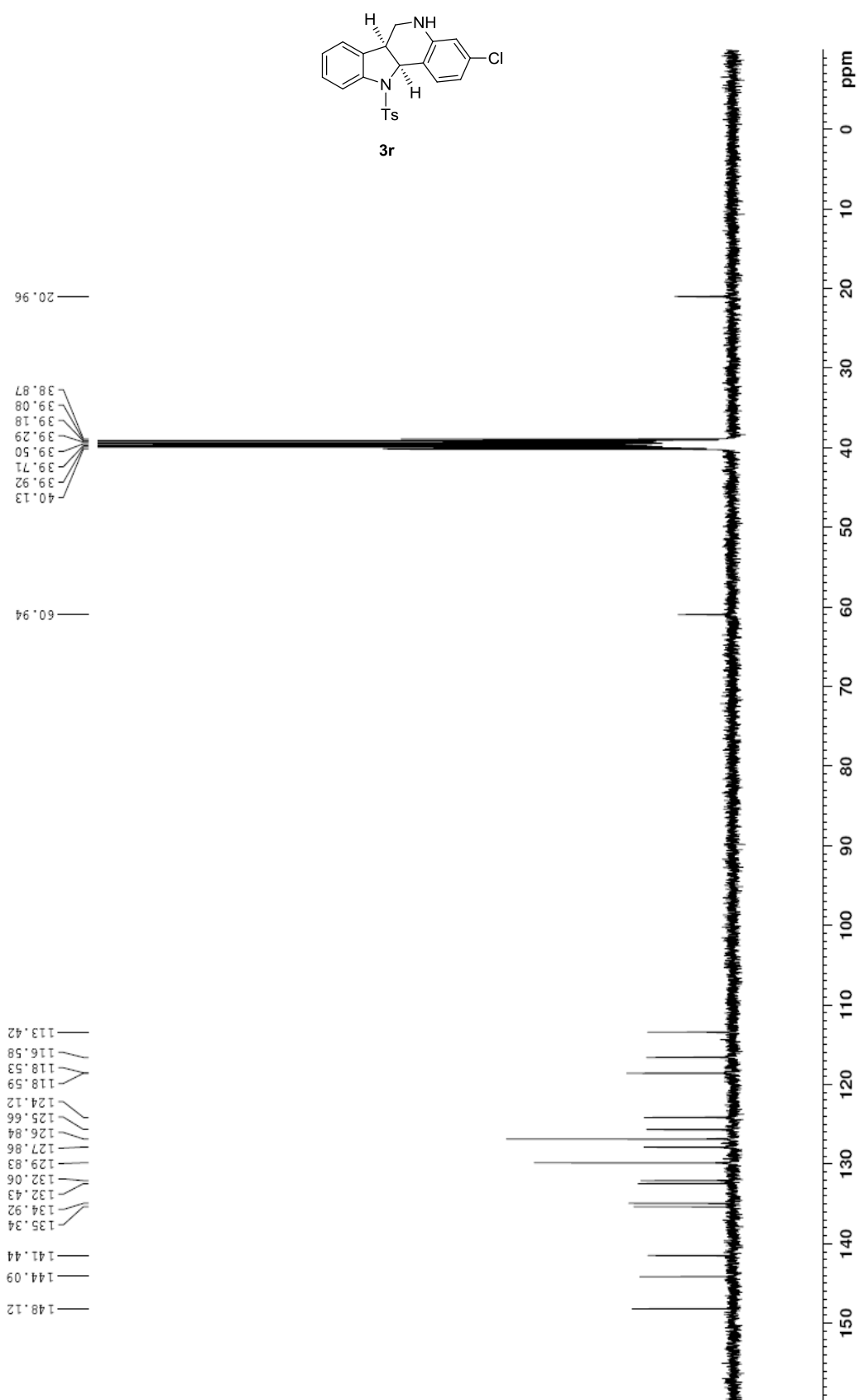


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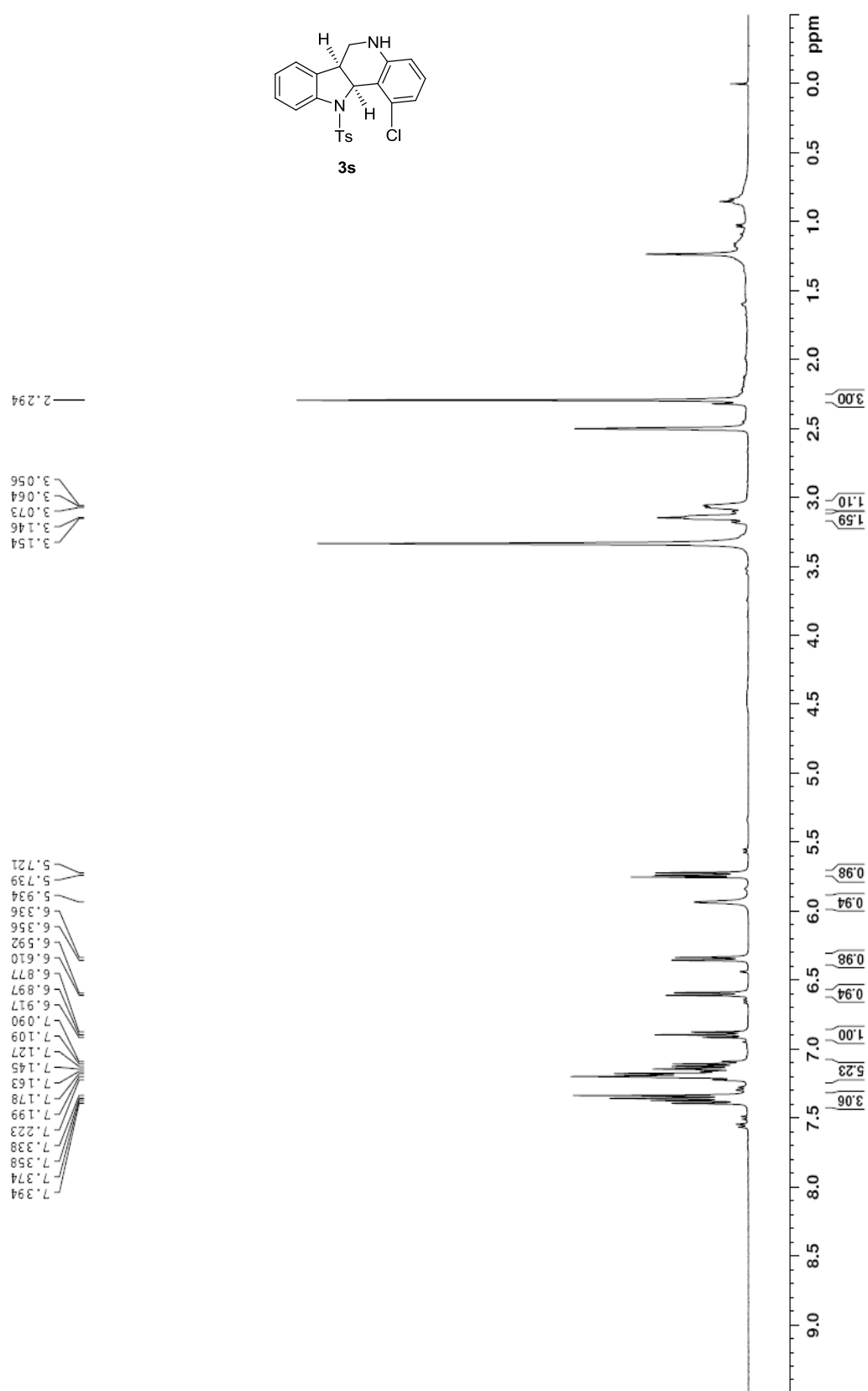


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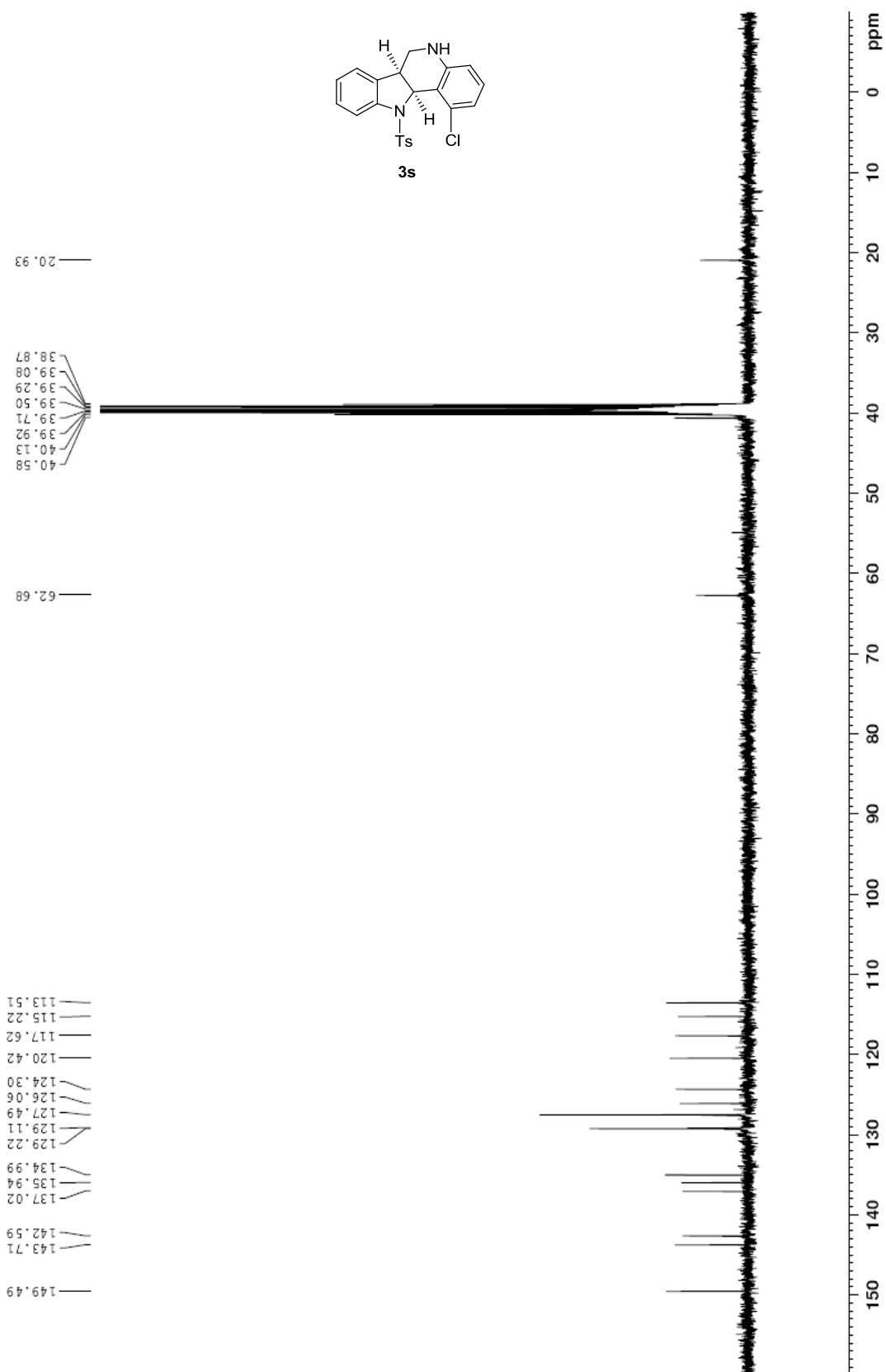


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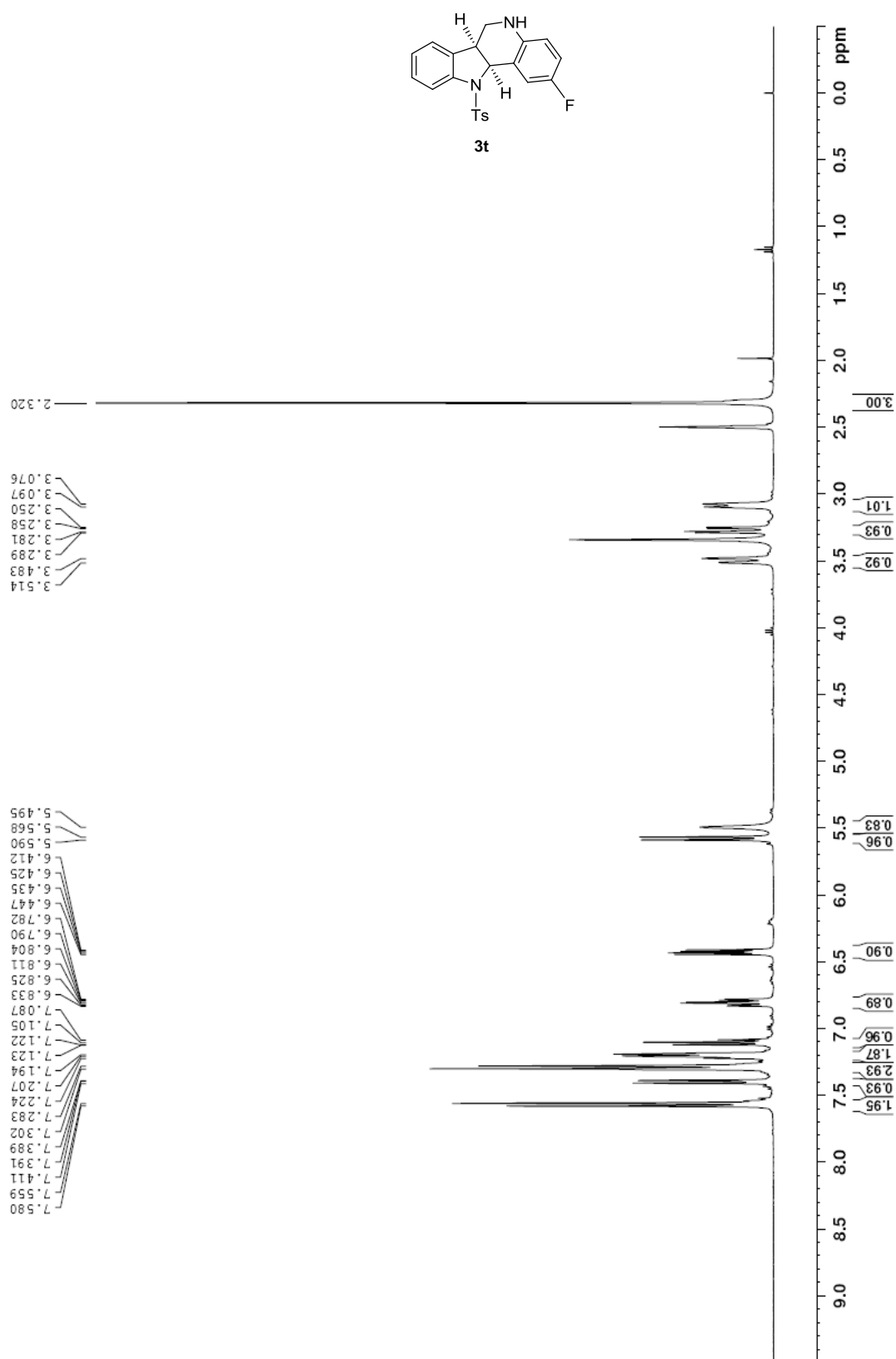


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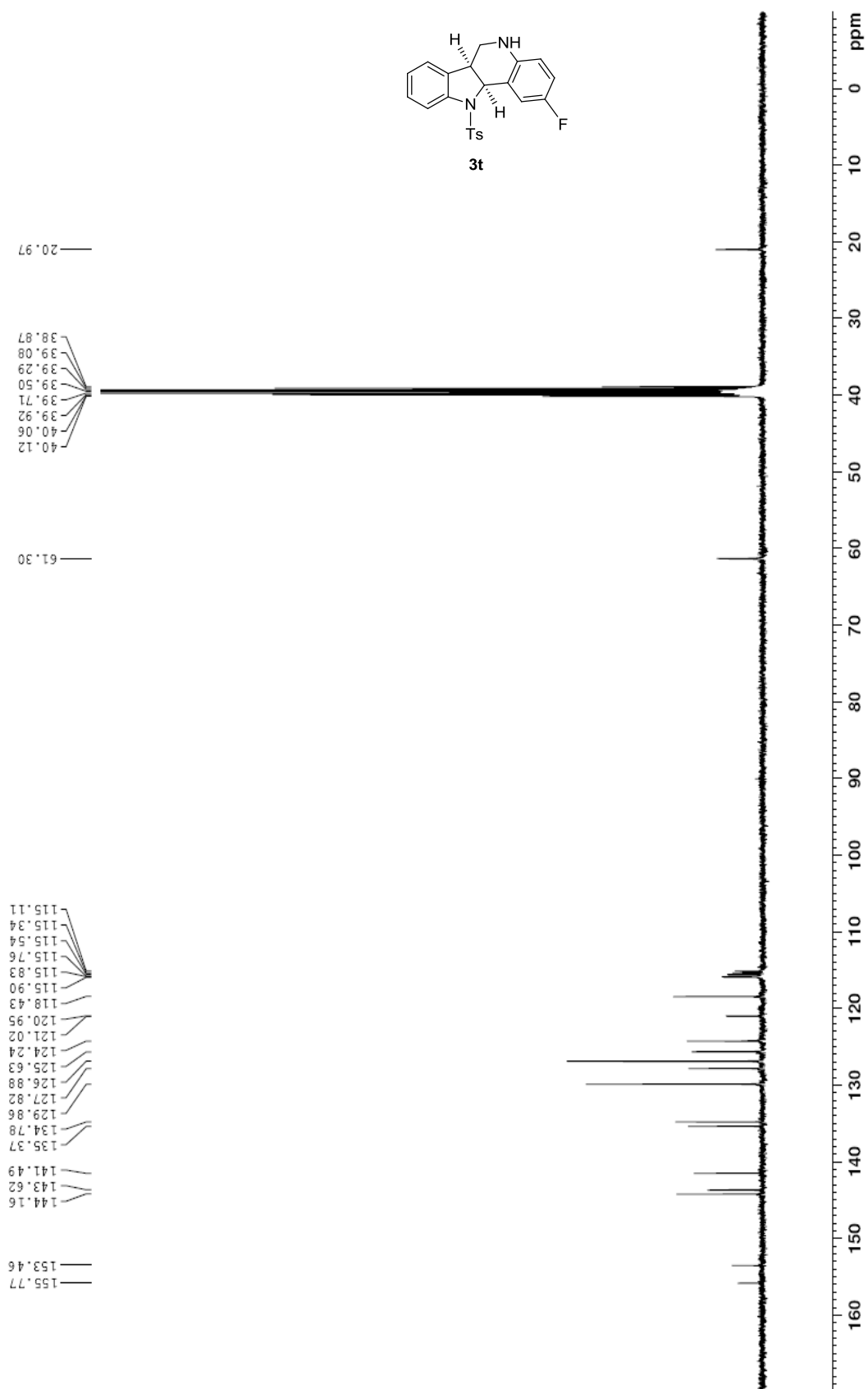


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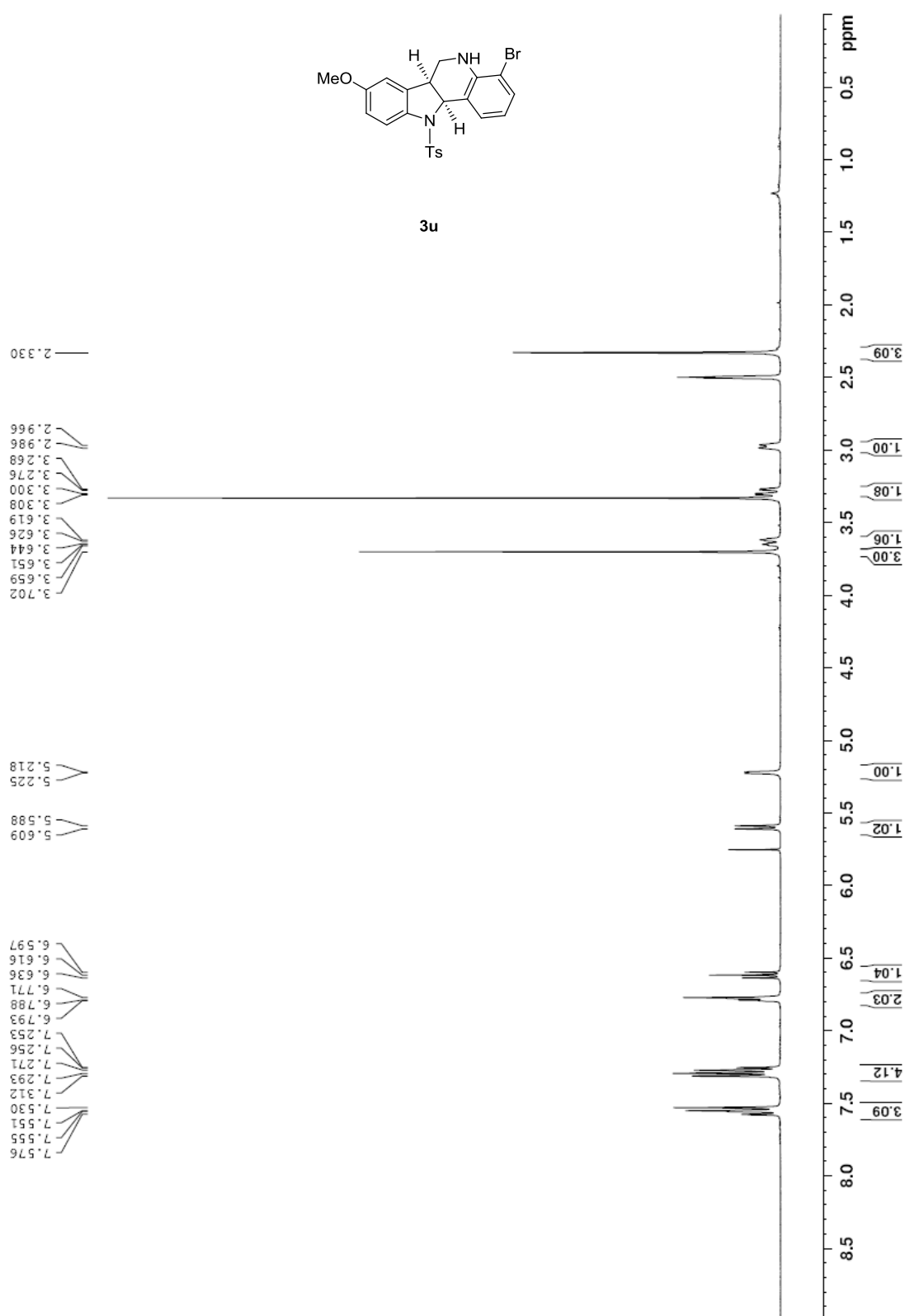


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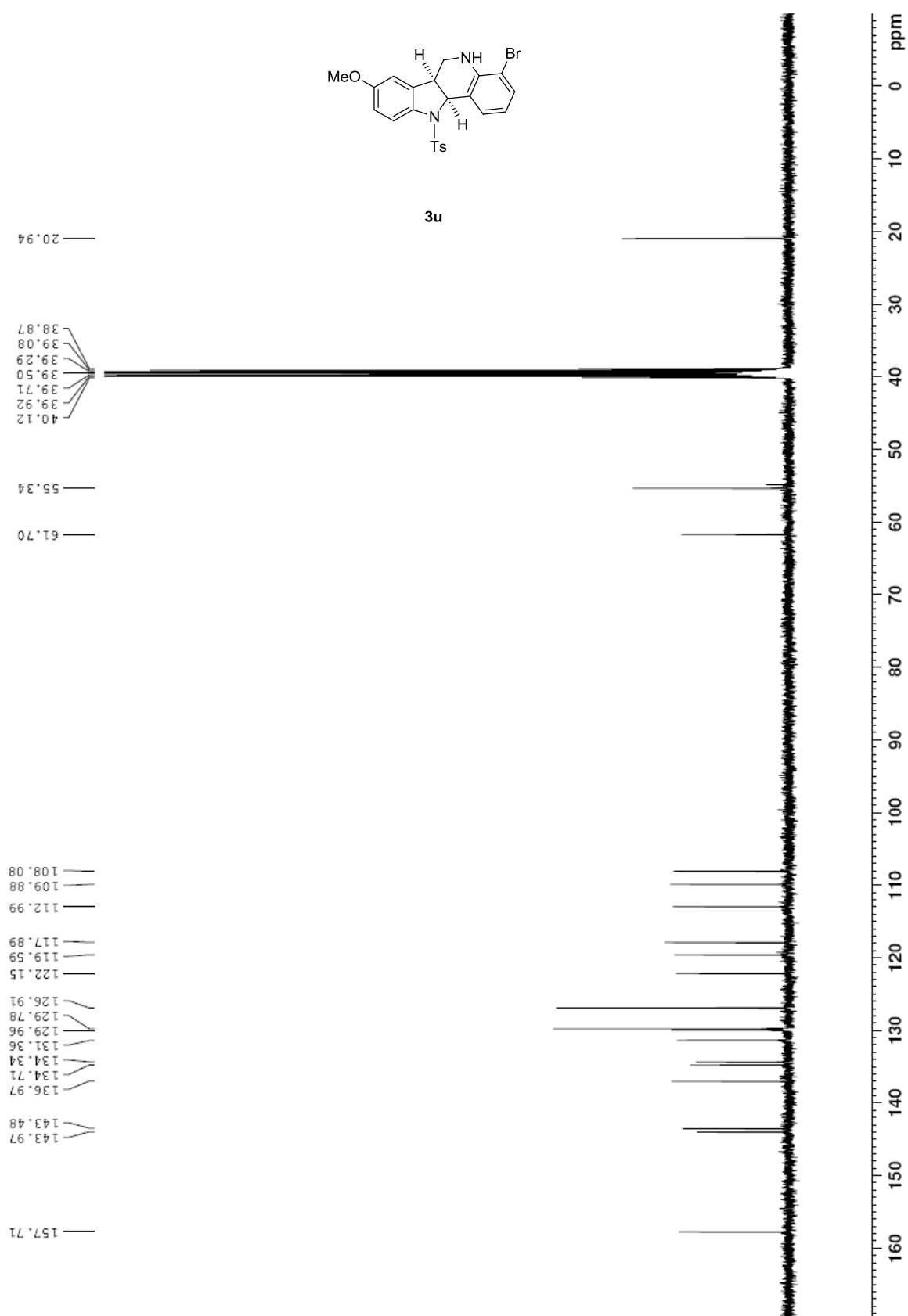


Fig. S39. ^{13}C NMR of **3u** (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6)

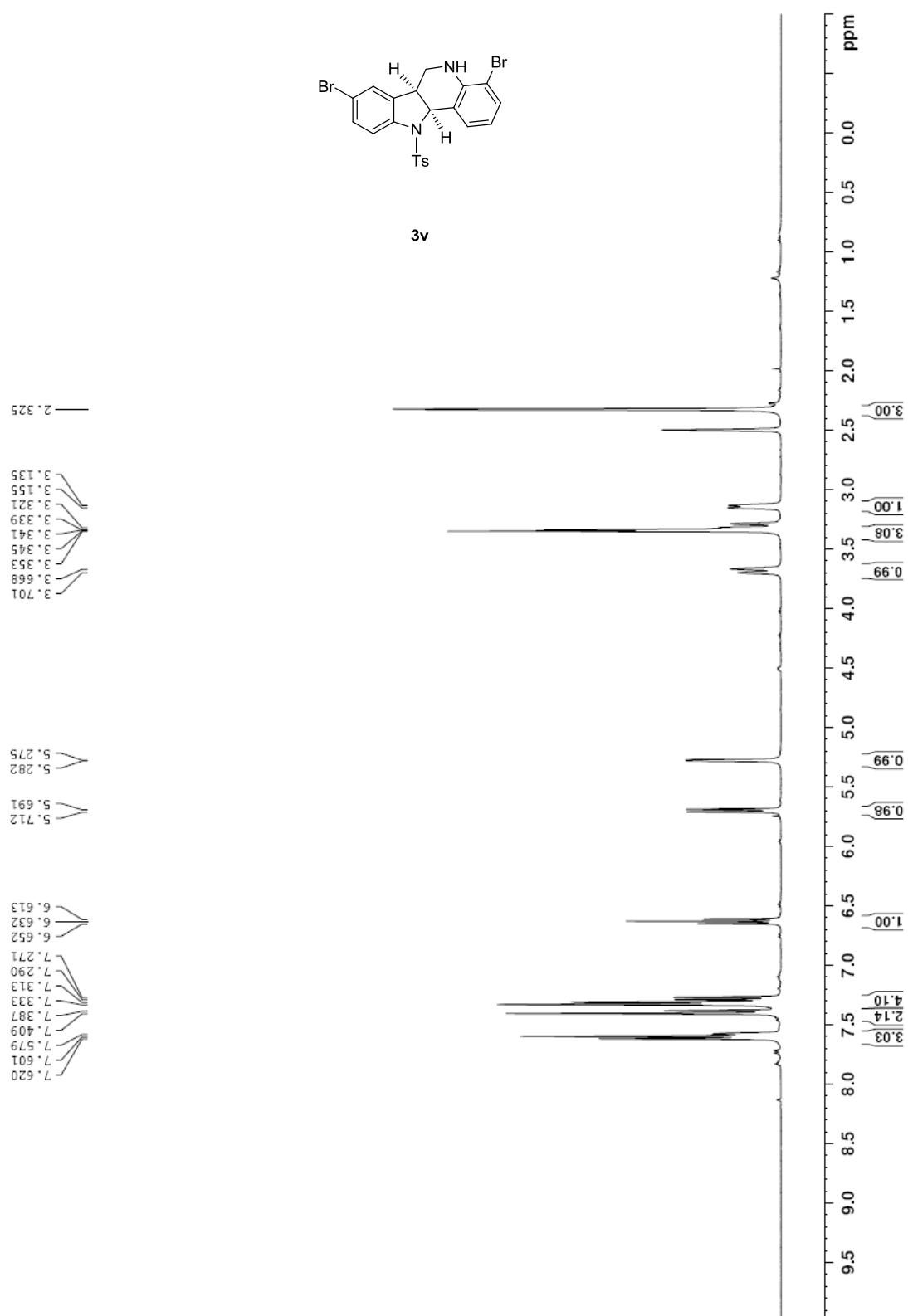


Fig. S40. ^1H NMR of **3v** (400 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$)

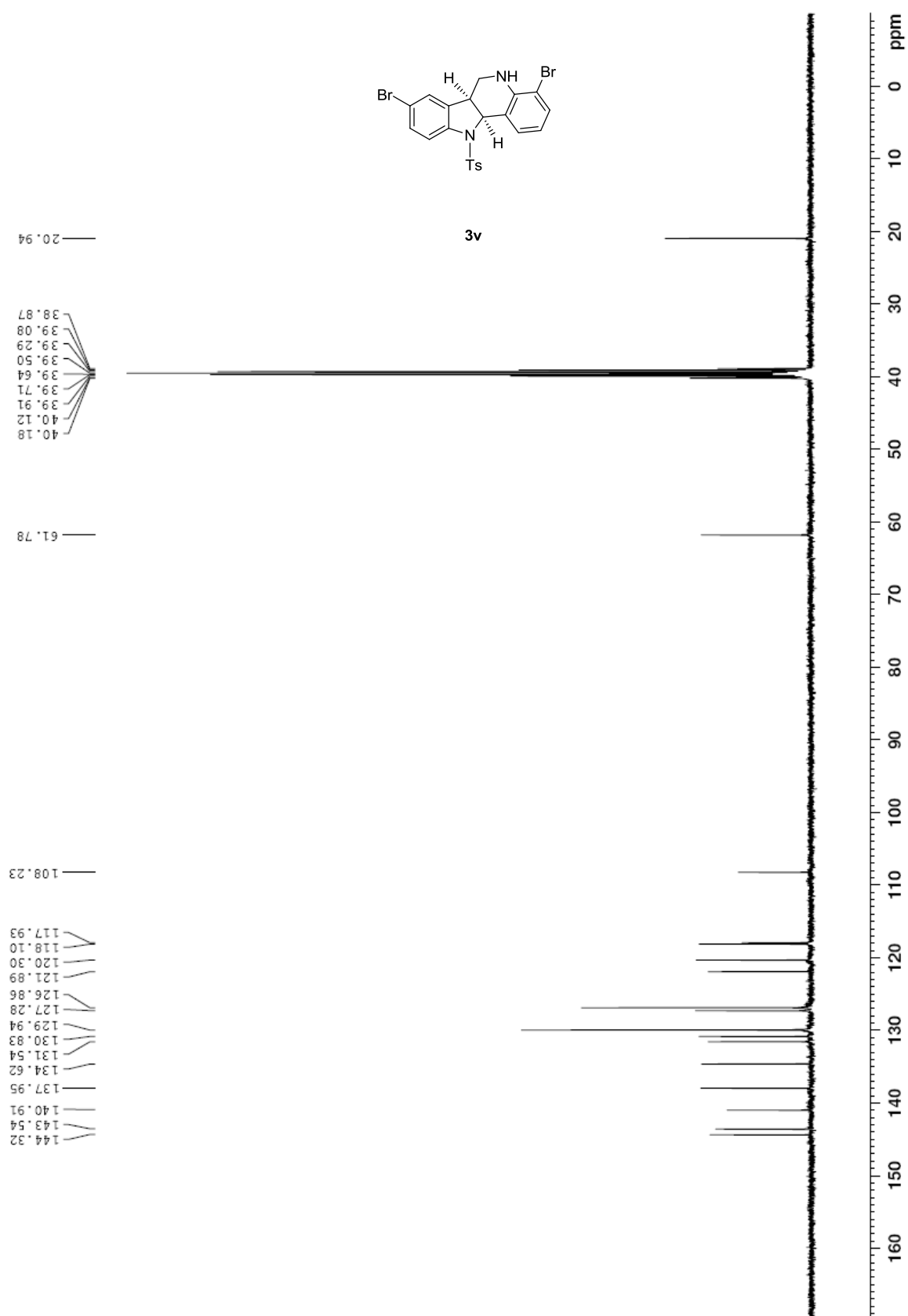


Fig. S41. ¹³C NMR of **3v** (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆)

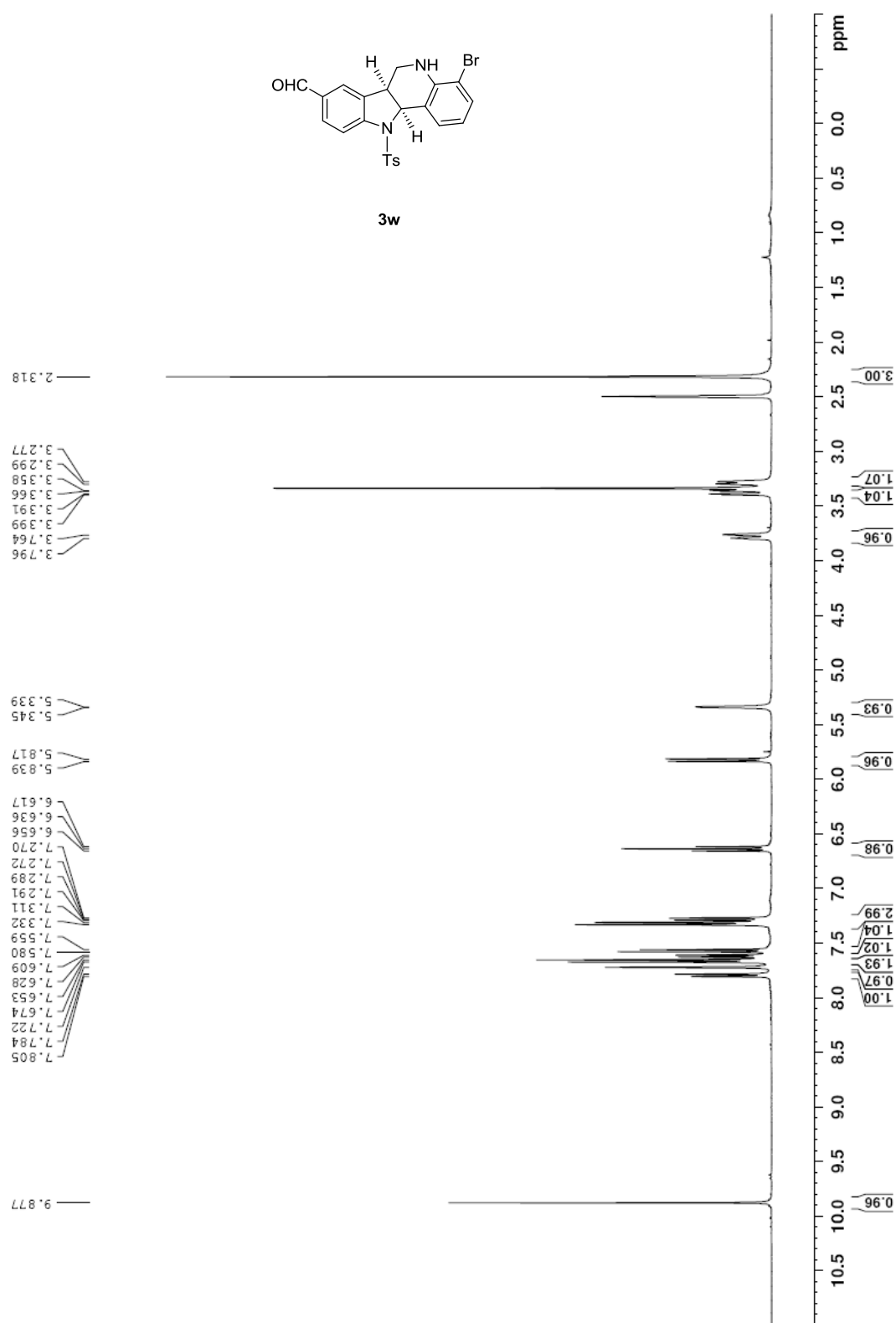


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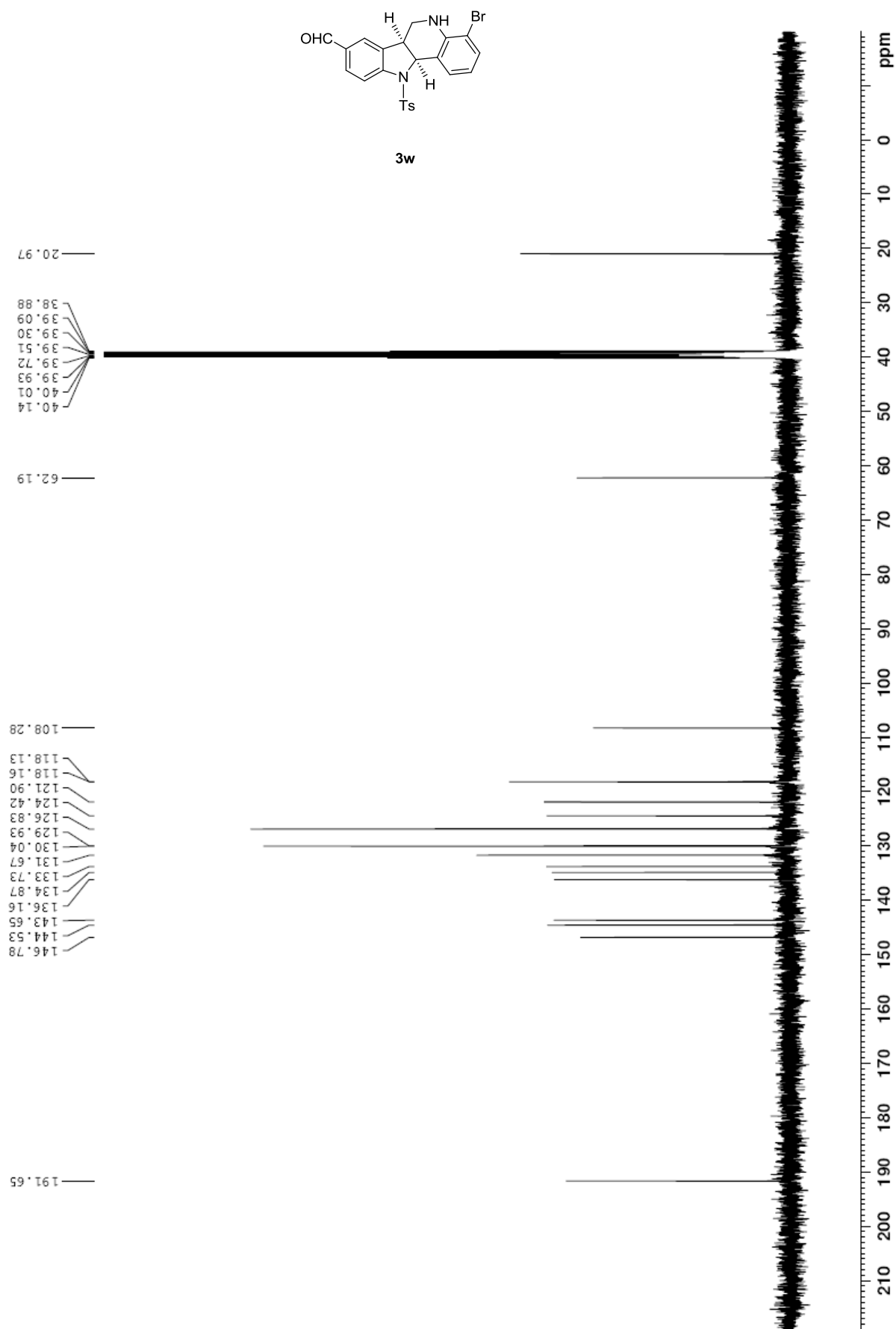


Fig. S43. ^{13}C NMR of **3w** (100 MHz, $\text{DMSO-}d_6$)

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