

*Supporting information for*

**Synthesis of 2,4-Diiodoquinolines via the Photochemical Cyclization  
of *o*-Alkynylaryl Isocyanides with Iodine**

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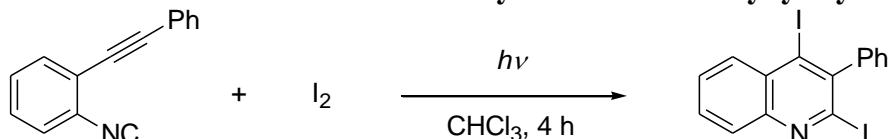
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### General Comments.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra were recorded at 300 MHz or 400 MHz using CDCl<sub>3</sub> as the solvent with tetramethylsilane (TMS) as the internal standard. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were obtained at 75 MHz or 100 MHz using CDCl<sub>3</sub> as the solvent. Chemical shifts in <sup>13</sup>C NMR were measured relative to CDCl<sub>3</sub> by using  $\delta$  77.0 ppm. Infrared spectra were recorded with a FT-IR spectrometer. Melting points were determined on a micro melting point apparatus. Conventional mass spectra were recorded with a gas chromatograph mass spectrometer (EI). High resolution mass spectra were obtained on a mass spectrometer (FAB). The preparation of *o*-alkynylaryl isocyanides<sup>S1</sup> and terminal acetylenes such as 4-methylphenylacetylene,<sup>S2</sup> 4-methoxyphenylacetylene,<sup>S2</sup> 4-chlorophenylacetylene,<sup>S2</sup> and 4-nitrophenylacetylene<sup>S3</sup> was prepared according to the literature. Other reagents were commercially available and used without further purification.

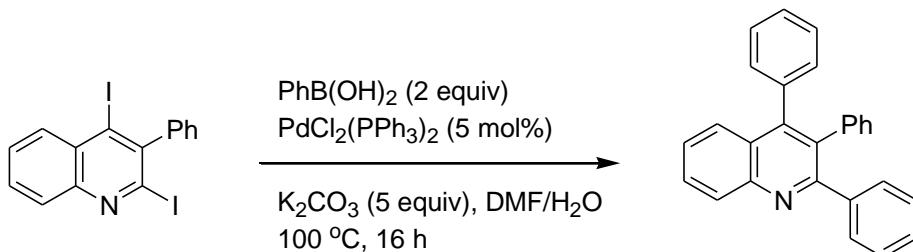
### Experimental and Analytical Data.

#### General Procedure for the Photochemical Iodocyclization of *o*-Alkynylaryl Isocyanide.



In an NMR tube ( $\phi = 5$  mm, length = 180 mm), 2-(phenylethynyl)phenyl isocyanide (**1a**, 20 mg, 0.10 mmol), iodine (25.4 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv), and CHCl<sub>3</sub> (0.50 mL) were taken under ambient atmosphere, and the reaction was carried out for 4 h; the reaction was irradiated with a high-pressure Hg lamp through a Pyrex filter ( $h\nu > 300$  nm). After the photoirradiation, the resulting mixture was concentrated in vacuo and purified by PTLC (Hex; AcOEt = 9:1) to give 2,4-diido-3-phenylquinoline (**2a**, 30.6 mg, 0.067 mmol, 67%) as a white solid.

#### Procedure for Suzuki-Miyaura Cross-Coupling Reaction of 2,4-Diidoquinoline **2a**.

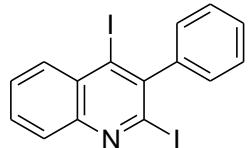


A mixture of 2,4-diido-3-phenylquinoline (**2a**, 46 mg, 0.10 mmol), phenylboronic acid (24 mg, 0.20 mmol), PdCl<sub>2</sub>(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (3.5 mg, 5 mol%), and K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (69 mg, 0.50 mmol) in DMF (4 mL) and H<sub>2</sub>O (1 mL) was heated at 100 °C for 16 h in a nitrogen atmosphere. To the resulting mixture, H<sub>2</sub>O was added, and the organic portion was extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic phase was dried over anhydrous MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtrated, and removed in vacuo. The resulting crude oil was purified by PTLC (eluted with hexane; AcOEt = 9:1) to give

2,3,4-triphenylquinoline (**5a**, 30 mg, 0.083 mmol, 83%) as a white solid.

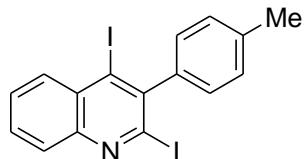
### Spectral and Analytical Data.

#### 2,4-Diiodo-3-phenylquinoline (**2a**):



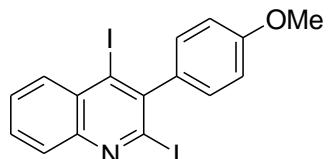
White solid; mp 183–184 °C;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , ppm)  $\delta$  7.15–7.23 (m, 1H), 7.42–7.56 (m, 4H), 7.59–7.79 (m, 2H), 8.00–8.13 (m, 2H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , ppm)  $\delta$  121.6, 127.3, 127.5, 128.3, 128.5, 128.9, 129.0, 129.2, 129.4, 130.7, 133.2, 145.8, 147.1; IR (NaCl,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3043, 3022, 1545, 1470, 1442, 1375, 1329, 1281, 1136, 1088, 1072, 1028, 961, 874, 758, 696; HRMS (FAB) calcd for  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{10}\text{I}_2\text{N}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  457.8903, found 457.8884.

#### 2,4-Diiodo-3-(4-methylphenyl)quinoline (**2b**):



White solid; mp 143–145 °C;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , ppm)  $\delta$  2.48 (s, 3H), 7.16 (d,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 2H), 7.34 (d,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 2H), 7.66 (ddd,  $J = 1.4, 6.9, 7.3$  Hz, 1H), 7.78 (ddd,  $J = 1.4, 6.9, 7.3$  Hz, 1H), 8.02 (dd,  $J = 0.9, 8.2$  Hz, 1H), 8.13 (dd,  $J = 0.9, 8.2$  Hz, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , ppm)  $\delta$  21.6, 119.9, 127.2, 128.7, 128.8, 129.1, 129.2, 130.0, 130.9, 133.1, 138.6, 139.5, 140.7, 146.3; IR (NaCl,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3058, 3021, 2977, 2874, 1549, 1474, 1379, 1335, 1288, 1142, 1105, 1022, 887, 772, 725, 696; HRMS (FAB) calcd for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{12}\text{I}_2\text{N}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  471.9059, found 471.9072.

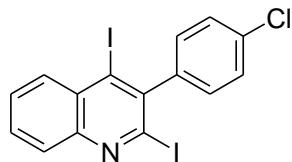
#### 2,4-Diiodo-3-(4-methoxyphenyl)quinoline (**2c**):



White solid; mp 165–167 °C;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , ppm)  $\delta$  3.91 (s, 3H), 7.04 (d,  $J = 8.9$  Hz, 2H), 7.19 (d,  $J = 8.9$  Hz, 2H), 7.65 (ddd,  $J = 1.4, 6.8, 6.9$  Hz, 1H), 7.76 (ddd,  $J = 1.4, 6.8, 6.9$  Hz, 1H), 8.01 (dd,  $J = 0.8, 8.2$  Hz, 1H), 8.12 (dd,  $J = 0.8, 8.2$  Hz, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , ppm)  $\delta$  55.3, 113.8, 127.2, 127.4, 128.9, 129.1, 130.6, 130.9, 133.3, 138.6, 139.9, 146.7, 147.9, 159.9; IR (NaCl,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3058, 3023, 2958, 2923, 2830, 1545, 1508, 1468, 1325, 1281, 1244, 1178, 1090, 1030, 876, 827, 766, 681; HRMS (FAB) calcd for

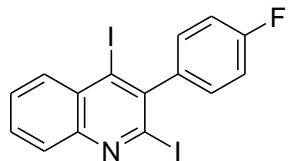
$C_{16}H_{12}I_2NO$  [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 487.9008, found 487.9015.

**2,4-Diiodo-3-(4-chlorophenyl)quinoline (2d):**



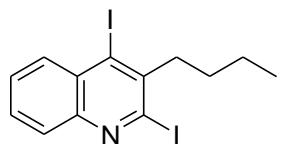
White solid; mp 164–165 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, ppm) δ 7.16 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.52 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.67 (ddd, *J* = 1.4, 7.2, 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.75 (ddd, *J* = 1.4, 7.2, 8.2 Hz, 1H), 8.05 (dd, *J* = 1.4, 8.2 Hz, 1H), 8.09 (dd, *J* = 1.4, 8.2 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, ppm) δ 121.1, 127.4, 127.9, 128.5, 128.9, 129.1, 130.8, 130.9, 133.2, 135.0, 144.6, 145.3, 148.0; IR (NaCl, cm<sup>-1</sup>) 3058, 3025, 1541, 1489, 1470, 1325, 1283, 1219, 1134, 1094, 1016, 878, 826, 772, 719, 665; HRMS (FAB) calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>9</sub>ClI<sub>2</sub>N [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 491.8513, found 491.8539.

**2,4-Diiodo-3-(4-fluorophenyl)quinoline (2e):**



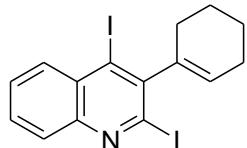
White solid; mp 189–191 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, ppm) δ 7.17–7.26 (m, 4H), 7.67 (ddd, *J* = 1.4, 6.9, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.74 (ddd, *J* = 1.4, 6.9, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.05 (dd, *J* = 1.4, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.09 (dd, *J* = 1.4, 8.4 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, ppm) δ 115.6 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 21.0 Hz), 128.9 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 3.8 Hz), 129.1 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 3.8 Hz), 130.9, 131.2, 131.2, 131.3, 133.1, 133.2, 143.0, 144.8, 148.0, 162.7 (d, *J*<sub>CF</sub> = 232.5 Hz); IR (NaCl, cm<sup>-1</sup>) 3058, 3028, 1545, 1506, 1472, 1327, 1283, 1219, 1157, 1136, 1088, 1016, 880, 833, 772, 729, 683; HRMS (FAB) calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>9</sub>FI<sub>2</sub>N [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 475.8809, found 475.8796.

**2,4-Diiodo-3-n-butylquinoline (2g):**



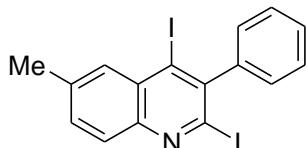
White solid; mp 85–87 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, ppm) δ 1.04 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 1.48–1.72 (m, 4H), 3.28 (t, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.54–7.71 (m, 2H), 7.94 (dd, *J* = 1.2, 7.8 Hz, 1H), 8.02 (dd, *J* = 1.2, 7.8 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, ppm) δ 13.8, 22.9, 30.5, 45.9, 115.3, 123.3, 128.7, 128.9, 129.8, 130.5, 132.7, 142.2, 147.5; IR (NaCl, cm<sup>-1</sup>) 3058, 3028, 2955, 2926, 2856, 1541, 1472, 1454, 1369, 1342, 1290, 1275, 1238, 1182, 1142, 1080, 1026, 1007, 988, 901, 860, 754, 682; HRMS (FAB) calcd for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>14</sub>I<sub>2</sub>N [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 437.9216, found 437.9191.

**2,4-Diiodo-3-(1-cyclohexenyl)quinoline (2h):**



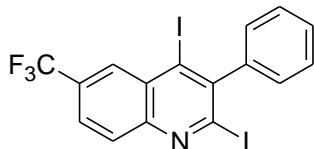
Slight yellow oil;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , ppm)  $\delta$  1.73–1.82 (m, 2H), 1.85–1.94 (m, 2H), 2.25–2.34 (m, 4H), 5.62–5.72 (m, 1H), 7.60 (ddd,  $J = 1.2, 6.9, 8.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.67 (ddd,  $J = 1.2, 6.9, 8.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.97 (dd,  $J = 1.2, 8.2$  Hz, 1H), 8.06 (dd,  $J = 1.2, 8.2$  Hz, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , ppm)  $\delta$  21.6, 22.7, 25.3, 28.1, 121.8, 127.2, 128.6, 128.9, 130.0, 130.1, 130.4, 130.8, 132.8, 144.4, 147.5; IR (NaCl,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3055, 3029, 2930, 2883, 2829, 1584, 1541, 1472, 1458, 1325, 1281, 1219, 1134, 1078, 1042, 913, 873, 772, 759, 694; HRMS (FAB) calcd for  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{14}\text{I}_2\text{N} [\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  461.9216, found 461.9226.

**2,4-Diiodo-3-phenyl-6-methylquinoline (2i):**



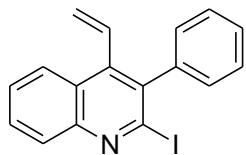
White solid; mp 113–114 °C;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , ppm)  $\delta$  2.59 (s, 3H), 7.12–7.22 (m, 2H), 7.49–7.58 (m, 4H), 7.85 (s, 1H), 7.94 (d,  $J = 8.2$  Hz, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , ppm)  $\delta$  22.0, 114.9, 120.2, 128.2, 128.8, 128.9, 129.3, 129.9, 132.0, 132.9, 139.4, 145.5, 146.6, 147.2; IR (NaCl,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3056, 3021, 2918, 2849, 1545, 1487, 1443, 1375, 1339, 1315, 1279, 1177, 1151, 1090, 1030, 926, 822, 770, 754, 696; HRMS (FAB) calcd for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{12}\text{I}_2\text{N} [\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  471.9059, found 471.9035.

**2,4-Diiodo-3-phenyl-6-trifluoromethylquinoline (2j):**



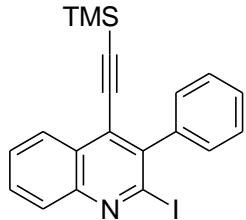
White solid; mp 137–138 °C;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , ppm)  $\delta$  7.18–7.23 (m, 2H), 7.52–7.57 (m, 3H), 7.90 (dd,  $J = 1.8, 8.9$  Hz, 1H), 8.18 (d,  $J = 8.9$  Hz), 8.43 (s, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , ppm)  $\delta$  116.0, 123.6 ( $J_{CF} = 272.4$  Hz), 124.6, 126.5 ( $J_{CF} = 3.8$  Hz), 128.4, 128.6, 129.1, 129.3 ( $J_{CF} = 30.5$  Hz), 129.5, 130.5, 131.4 ( $J_{CF} = 5.7$  Hz), 146.6, 147.4, 148.7; IR (NaCl,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3058, 3024, 1541, 1495, 1444, 1383, 1352, 1304, 1265, 1234, 1205, 1167, 1128, 1092, 1069, 1030, 920, 895, 835, 766, 696; HRMS (FAB) calcd for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_9\text{F}_3\text{I}_2\text{N} [\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  525.8777, found 525.8777.

**4-Ethenyl-2-iodo-3-phenylquinoline (3a):**



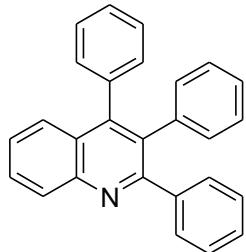
White solid; mp 102–103 °C;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , ppm)  $\delta$  5.45 (dd,  $J = 1.4, 17.9$  Hz, 1H), 5.64 (dd,  $J = 0.9, 12.4$  Hz, 1H), 6.60 (dd,  $J = 11.4, 17.9$  Hz, 1H), 7.23–7.29 (m, 2H), 7.40–7.49 (m, 3H), 7.57 (t,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.74 (t,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 1H), 8.07 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 1H), 8.19 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , ppm)  $\delta$  124.1, 125.4, 125.8, 127.0, 127.9, 128.2, 128.9, 130.1, 130.2, 131.8, 132.1, 136.8, 146.0, 147.3, 150.6; IR (NaCl,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3063, 3023, 1732, 1634, 1558, 1543, 1489, 1473, 1387, 1331, 1298, 1259, 1169, 1111, 1063, 1032, 986, 907, 778, 756, 700, 675; HRMS (FAB) calcd for  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{13}\text{IN} [\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  358.0093, found 358.0080.

**2-Iodo-3-phenyl-4-trimethylsilylethyynylquinoline (4a):**



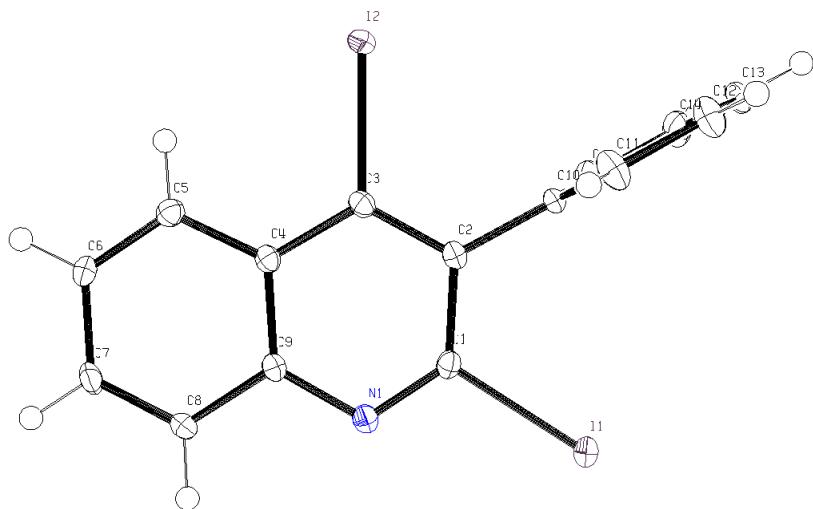
Colorless oil;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , ppm)  $\delta$  0.10 (s, 9H), 7.40–7.49 (m, 5H), 7.64 (ddd,  $J = 1.4, 6.8, 8.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.77 (ddd,  $J = 1.4, 6.8, 8.2$  Hz, 1H), 8.05 (dd,  $J = 1.4, 8.2$  Hz, 1H), 8.27 (dd,  $J = 1.4, 8.2$  Hz, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , ppm)  $\delta$  -0.5, 99.0, 110.2, 126.5, 126.7, 127.7, 127.9, 128.2, 128.6, 129.9, 130.6, 136.7, 137.0, 146.5, 150.0, 156.9; IR (NaCl,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) 3055, 3028, 2959, 2926, 2853, 2148, 1543, 1489, 1448, 1389, 1364, 1339, 1250, 1219, 1169, 1111, 1059, 1028, 926, 880, 847, 772, 698; HRMS (FAB) calcd for  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{19}\text{NSiI} [\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  428.0331, found 428.0341.

**2,3,4-Triphenylquinoline (5a):<sup>S4</sup>**



White solid; mp 199–201 °C (lit. 190–191 °C);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , ppm)  $\delta$  6.85–6.92 (m, 2H), 6.97–7.03 (m, 3H), 7.10–7.16 (m, 2H), 7.18–7.23 (m, 3H), 7.24–7.31 (m, 3H), 7.34–7.40 (m, 2H), 7.45 (ddd,  $J = 1.2, 6.8, 8.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.58 (dd,  $J = 1.2, 8.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.73 (ddd,  $J = 1.2, 6.8, 8.2$  Hz, 1H), 8.26 (d,  $J = 8.2$  Hz, 1H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,

ppm) δ 126.3, 126.5, 126.6, 126.6, 127.2, 127.3, 127.6, 127.6, 127.7, 129.3, 129.7, 129.9, 130.3, 131.3, 132.9, 136.9, 138.3, 141.1, 147.3, 147.6, 159.0; MS (EI)  $m/z$  357 ( $M^+$ , 100).

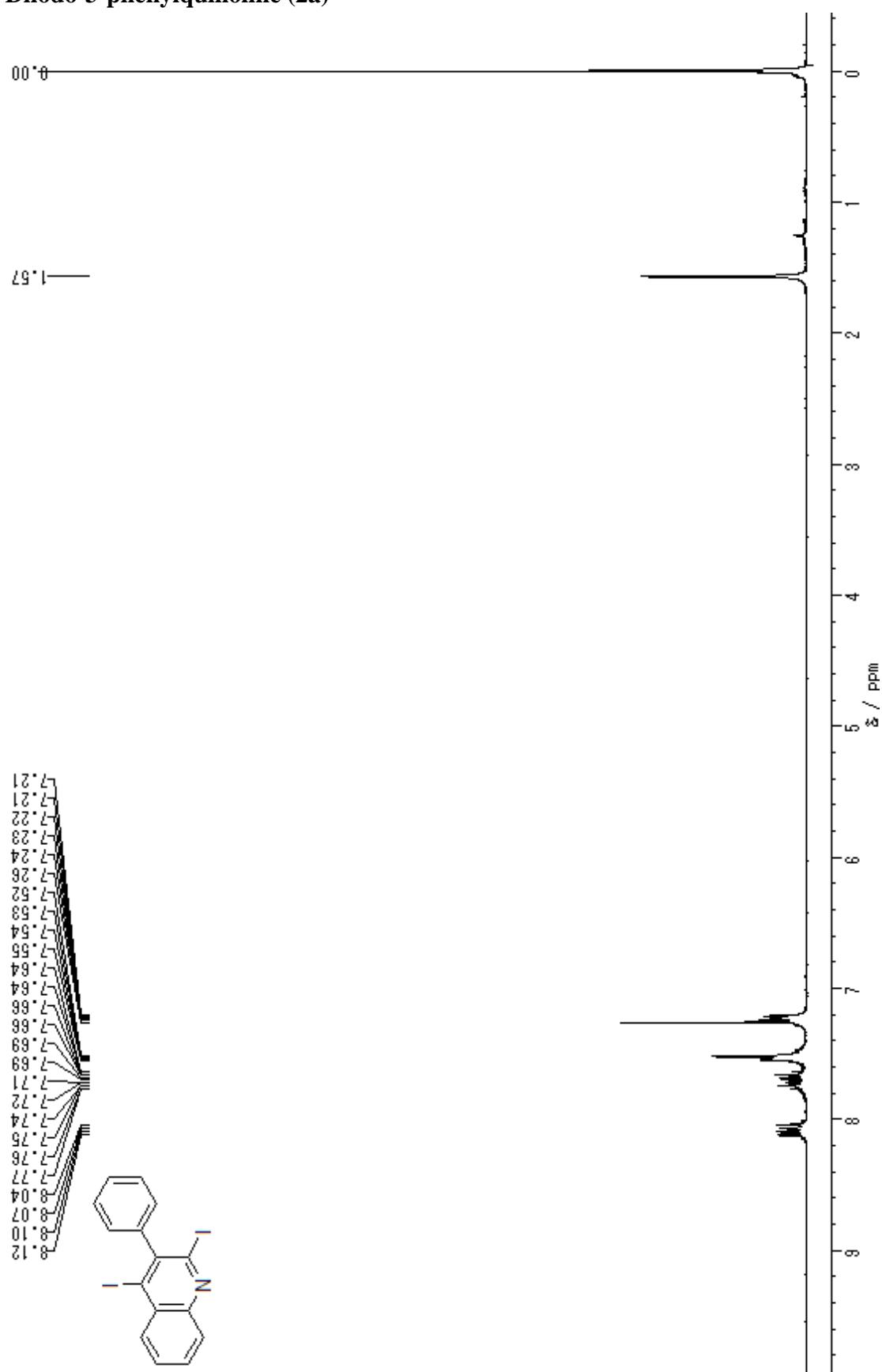


**FIGURE S1.** ORTEP Diagram of 2a.

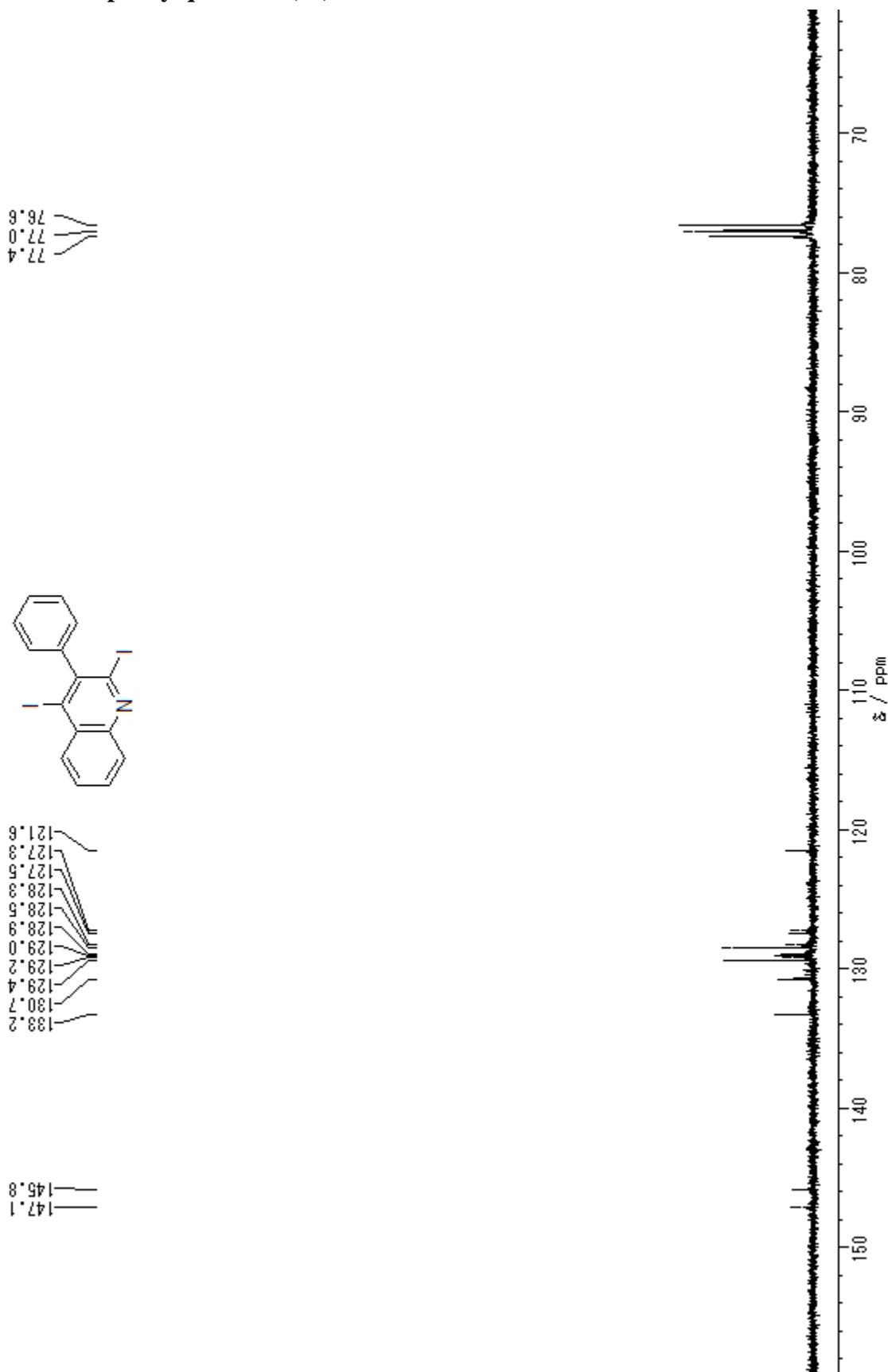
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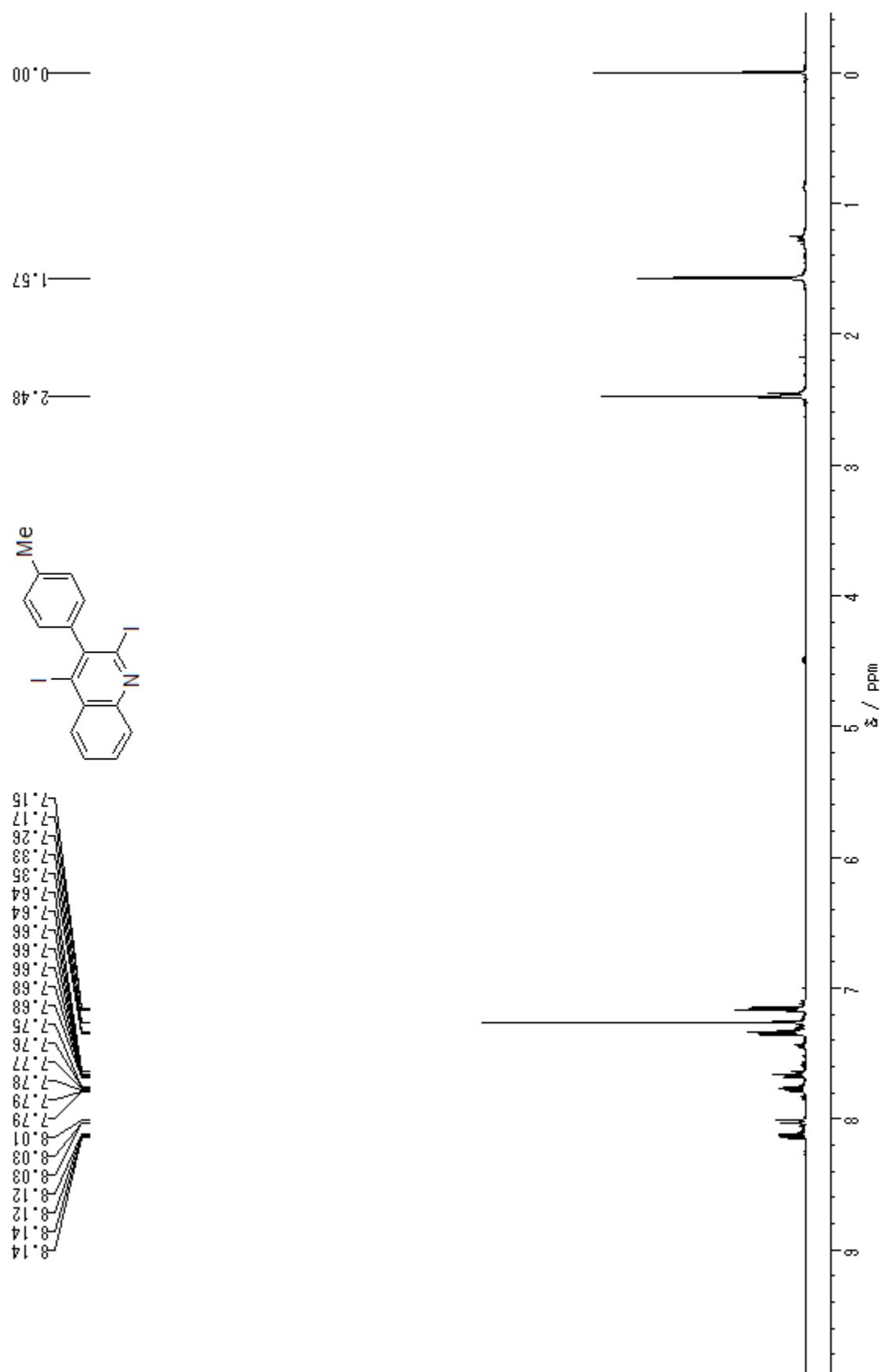
**2,4-Diiodo-3-phenylquinoline (2a)**



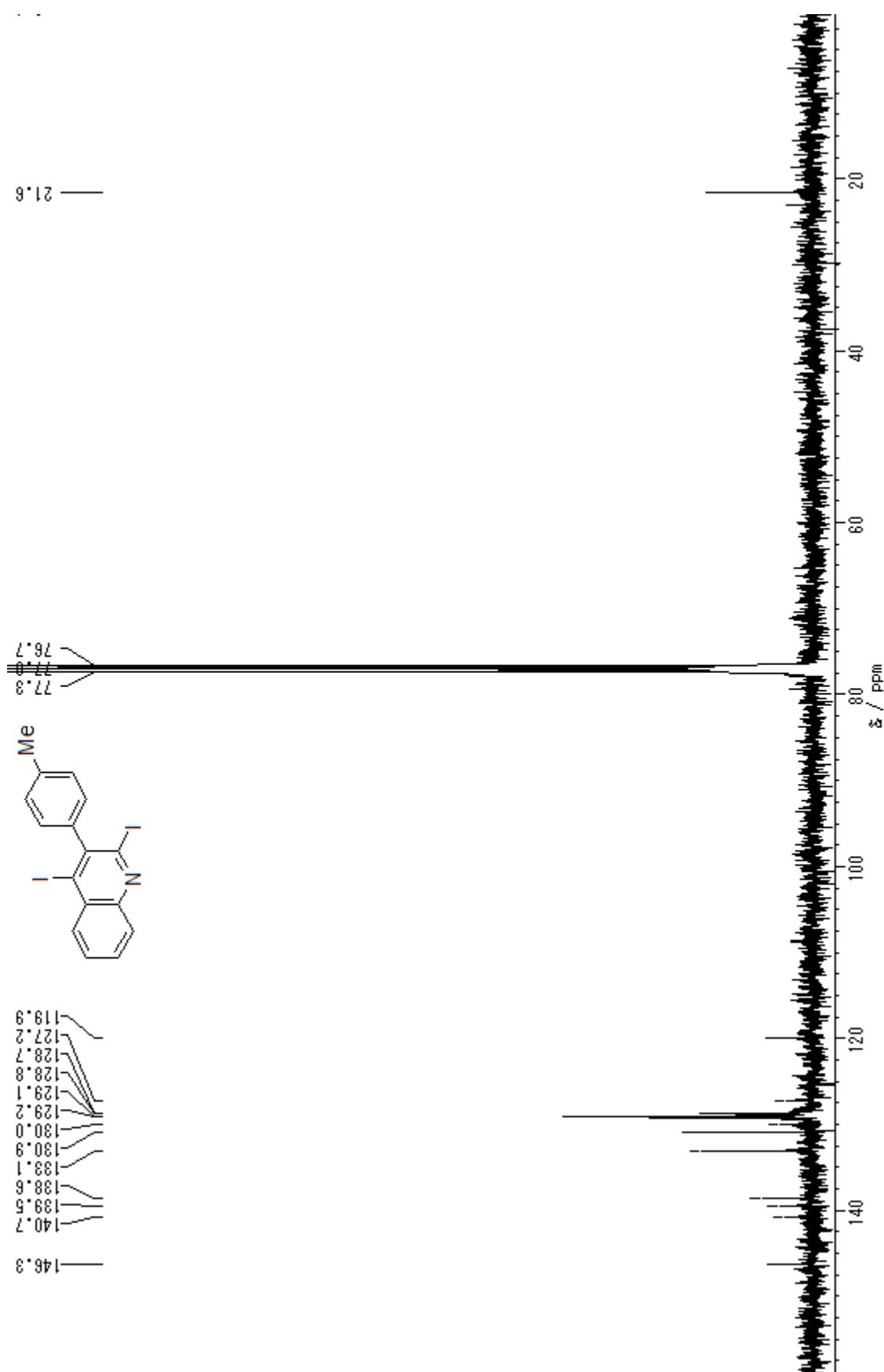
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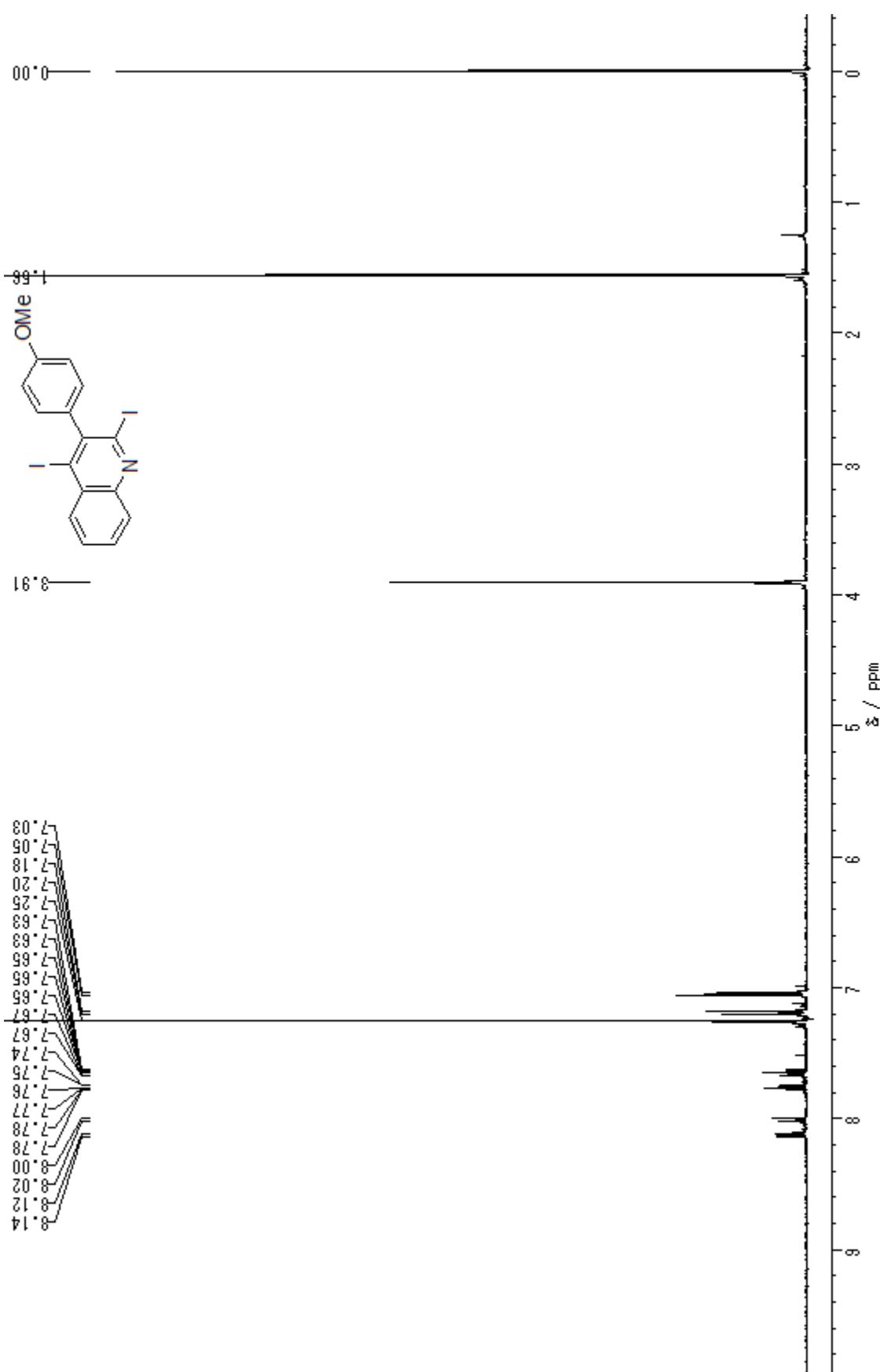
**2,4-Diiodo-3-(4-methylphenyl)quinoline (2b)**



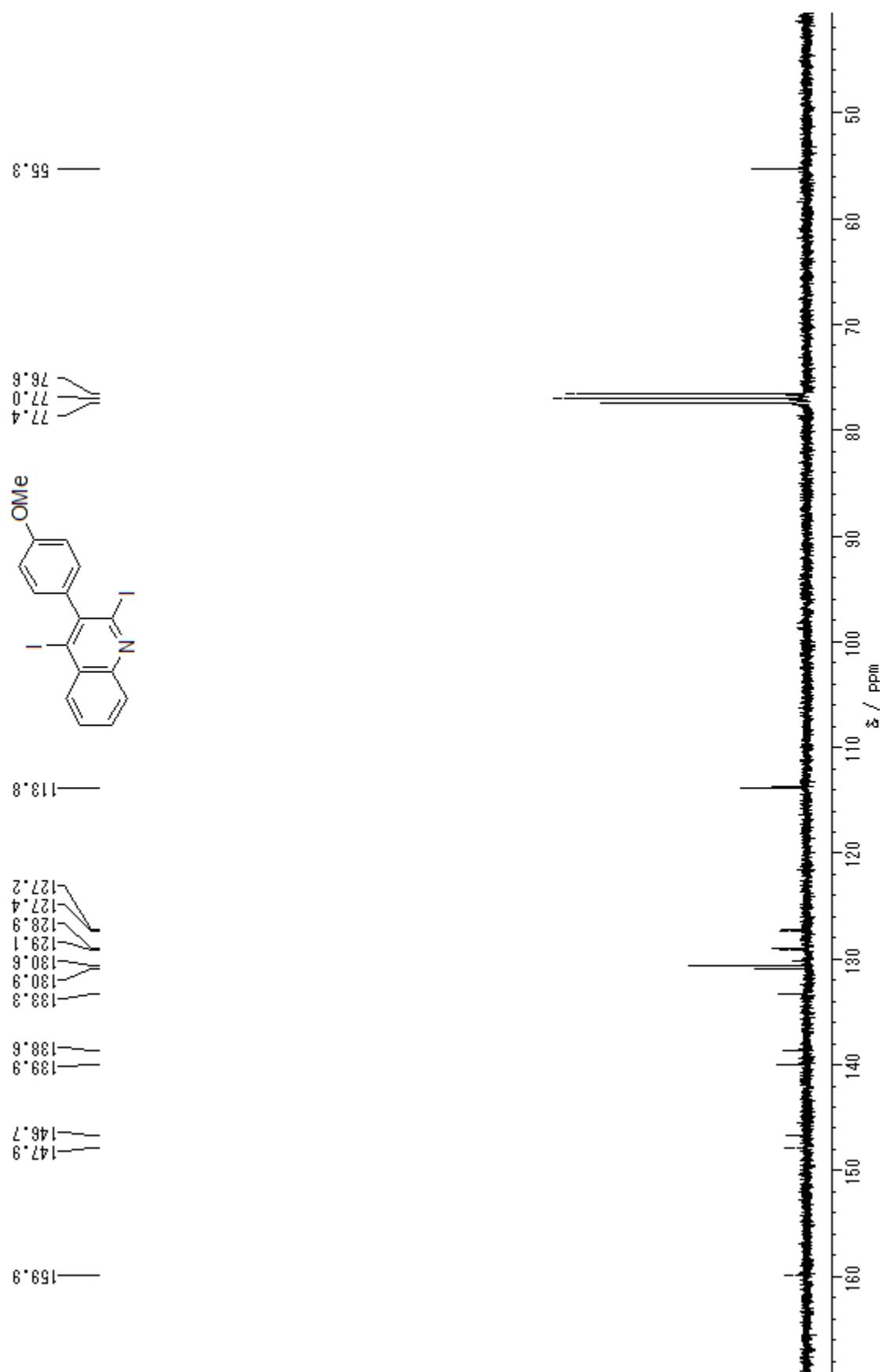
**2,4-Diiodo-3-(4-methylphenyl)quinoline (2b)**



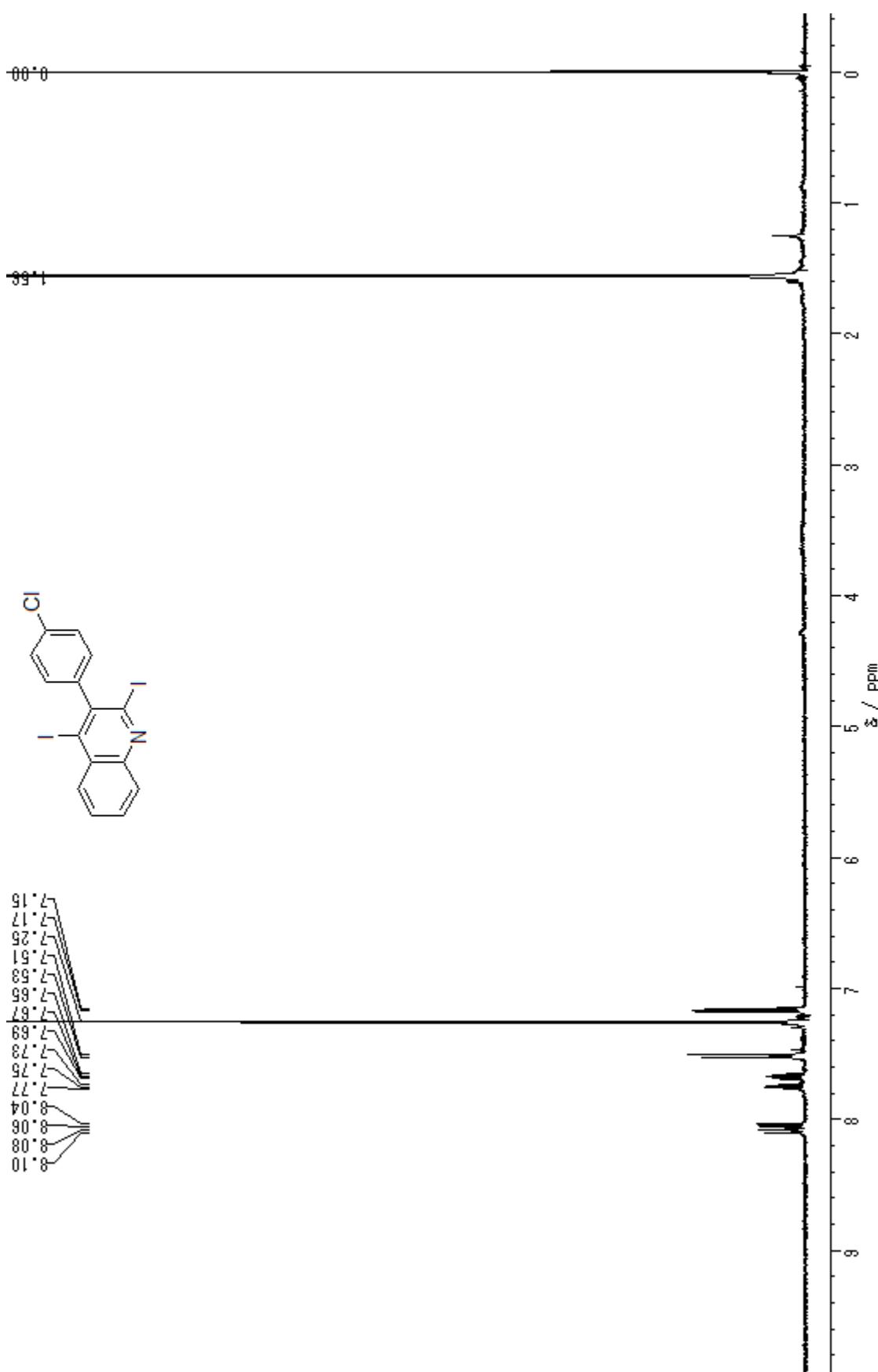
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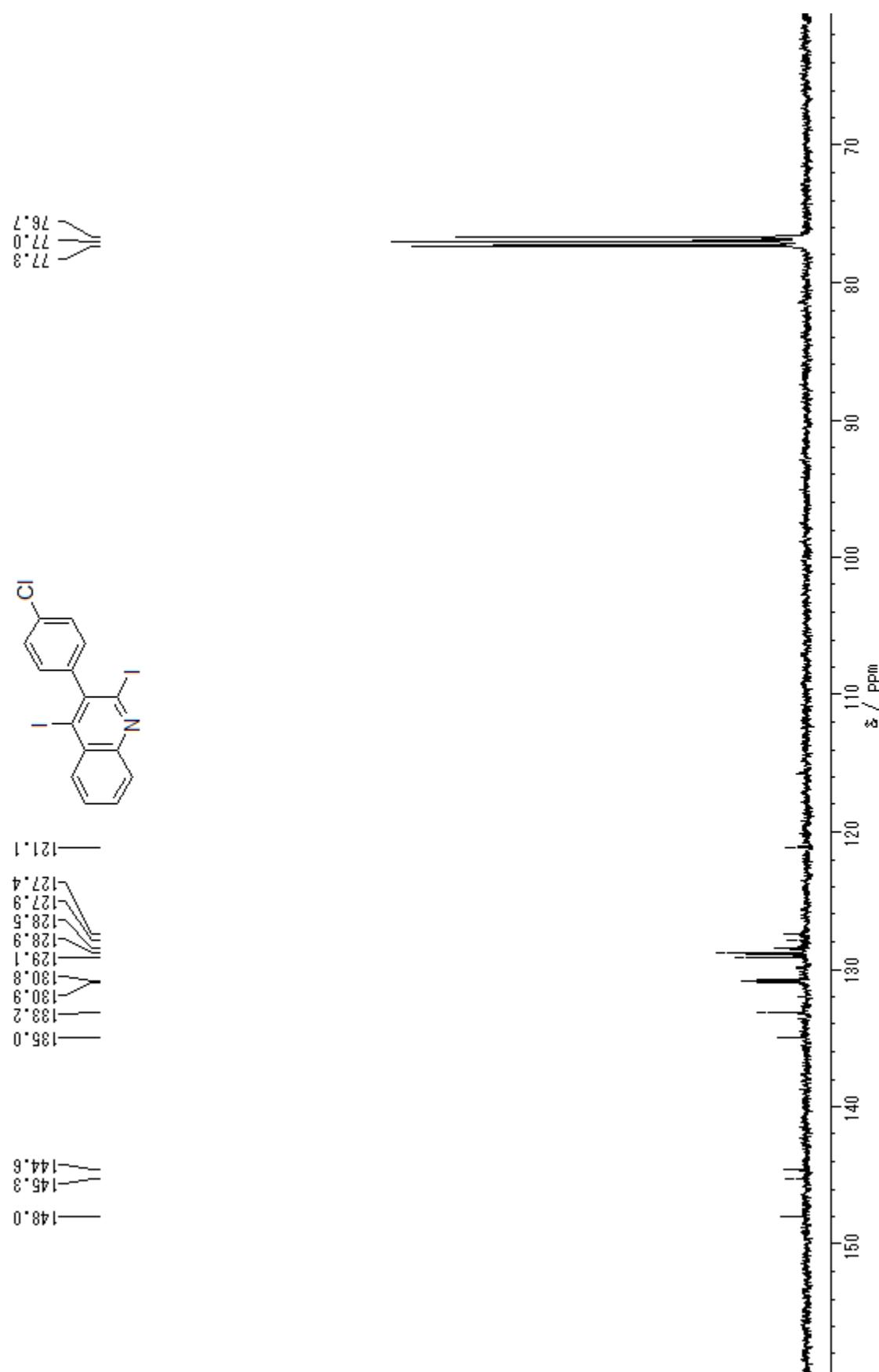
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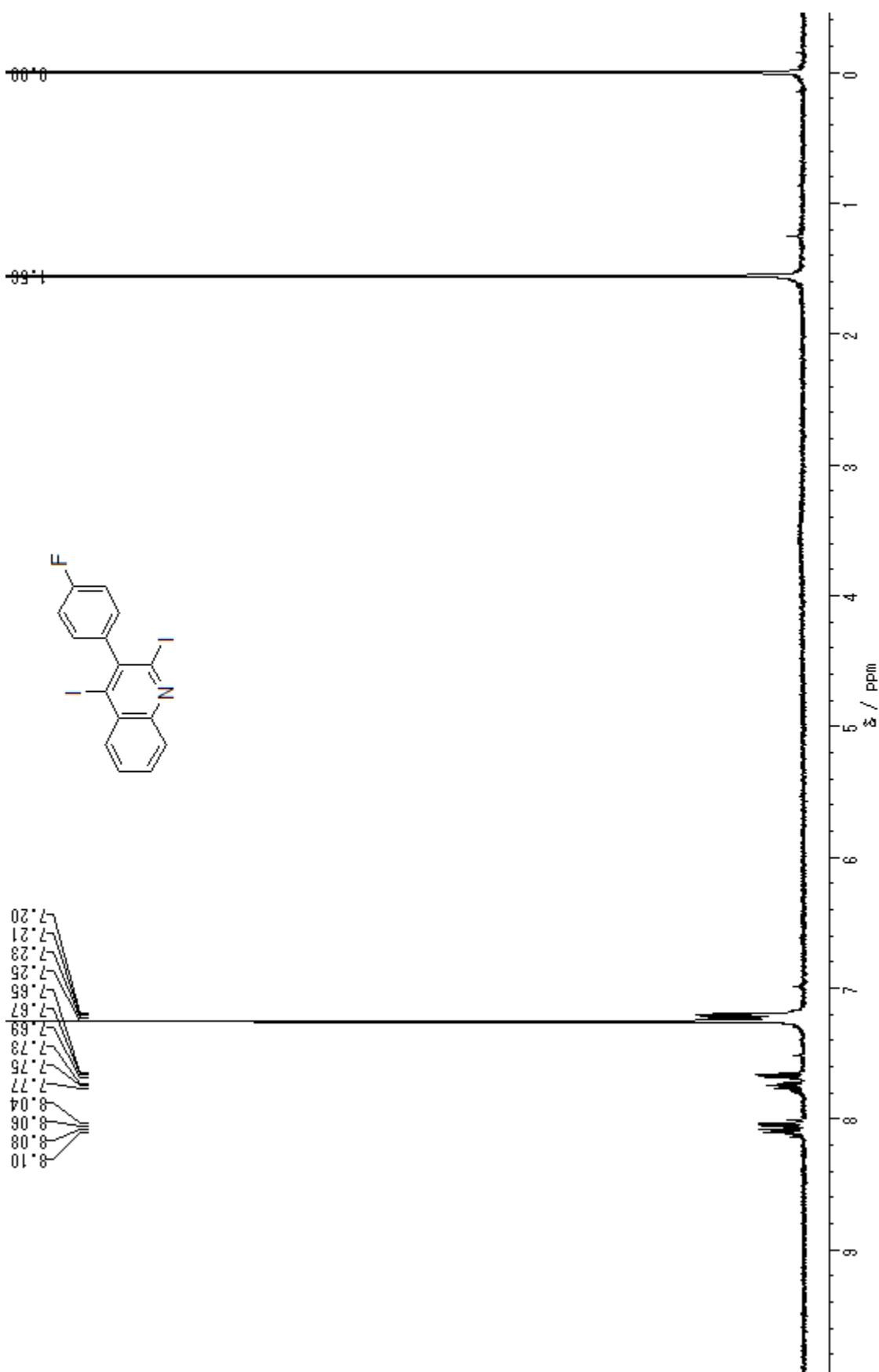
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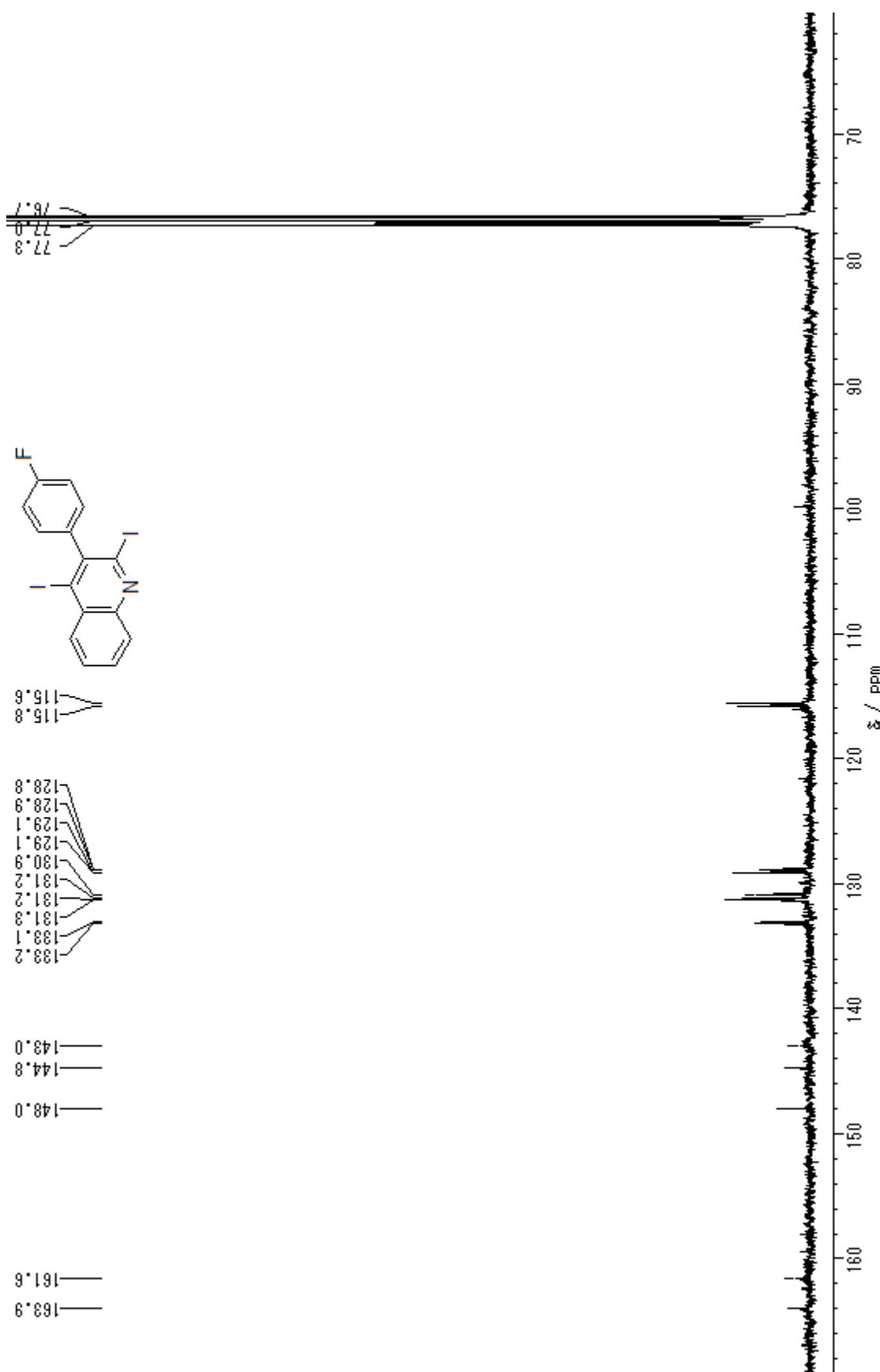
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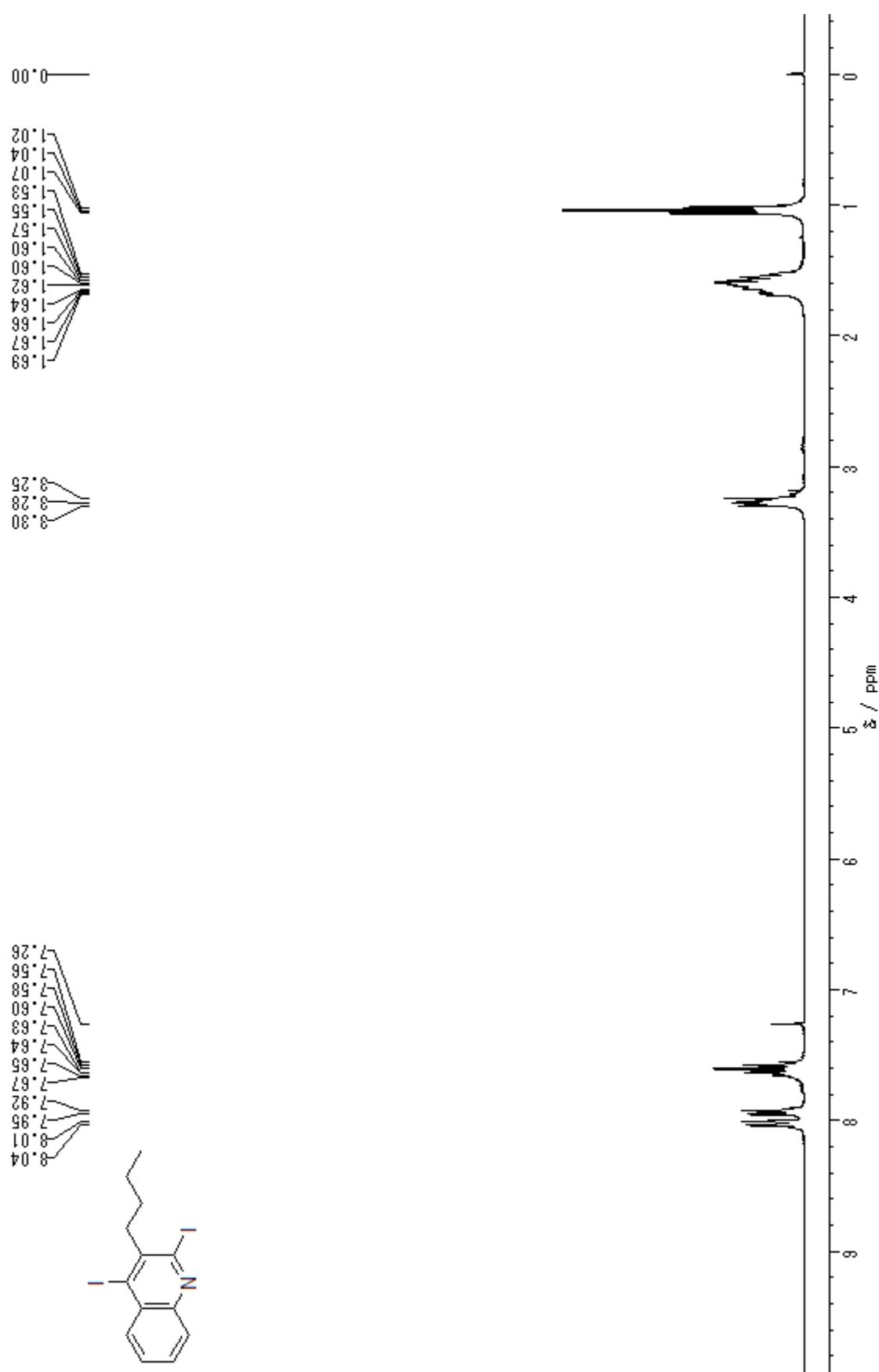
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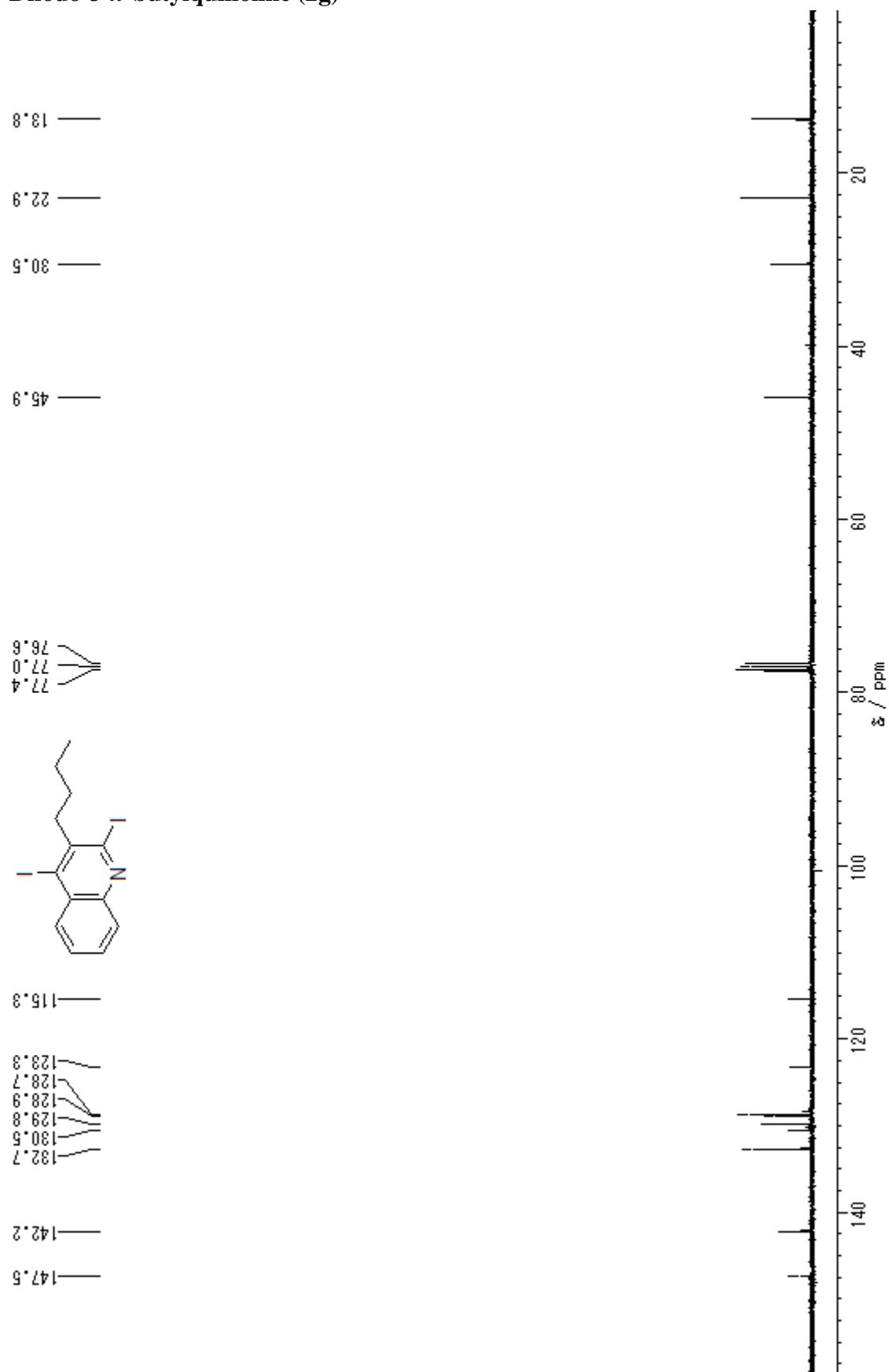
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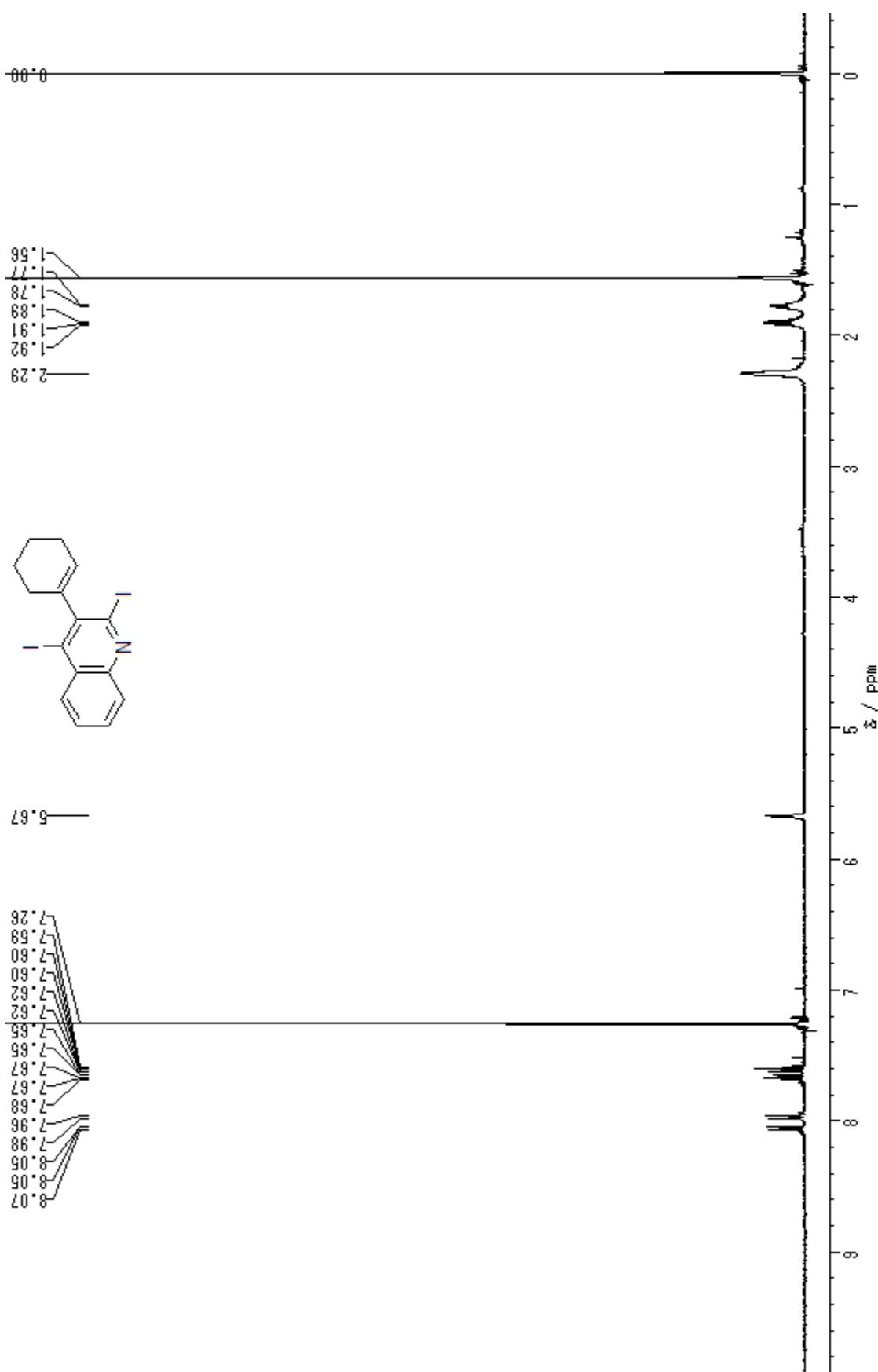
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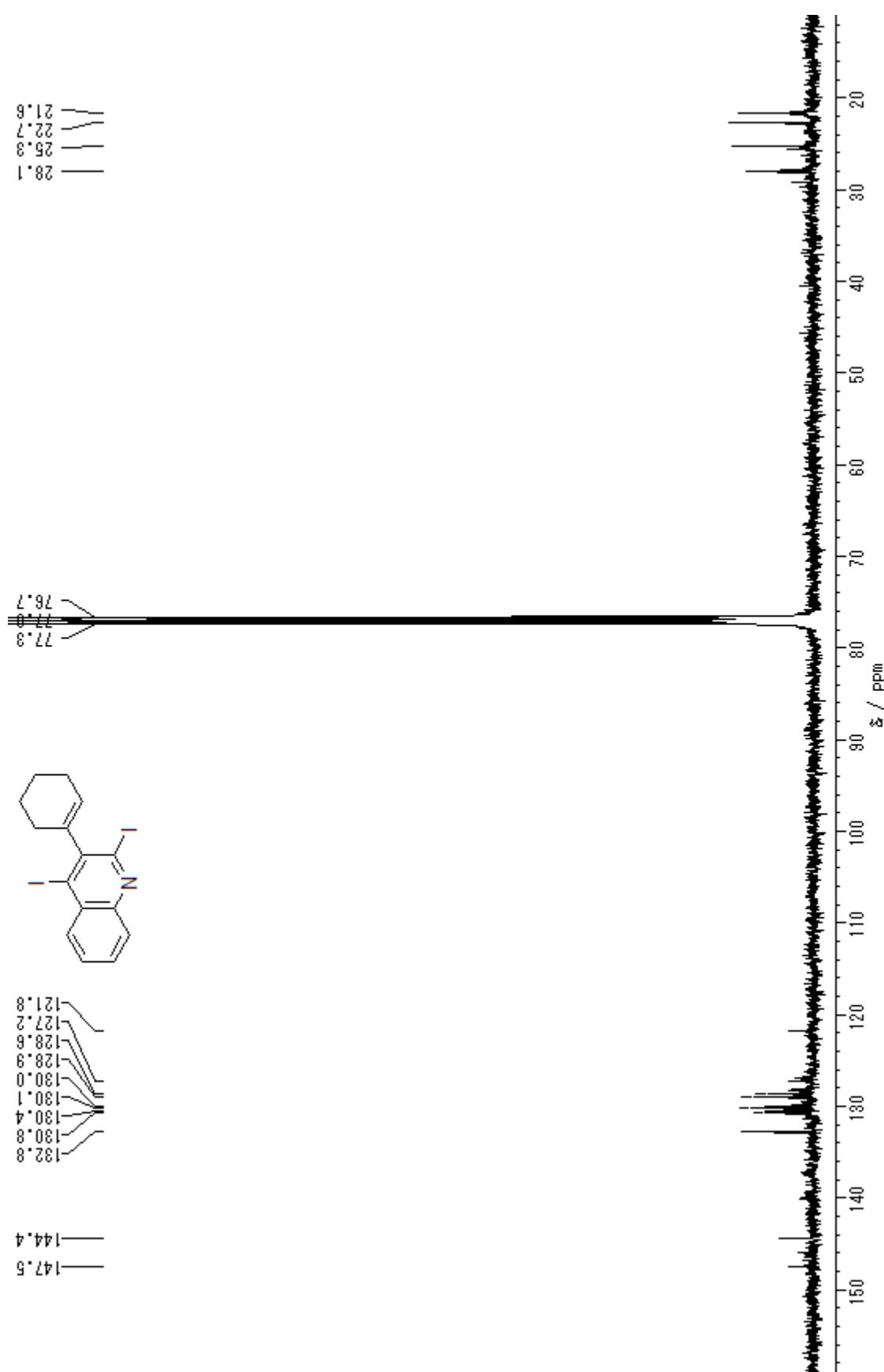
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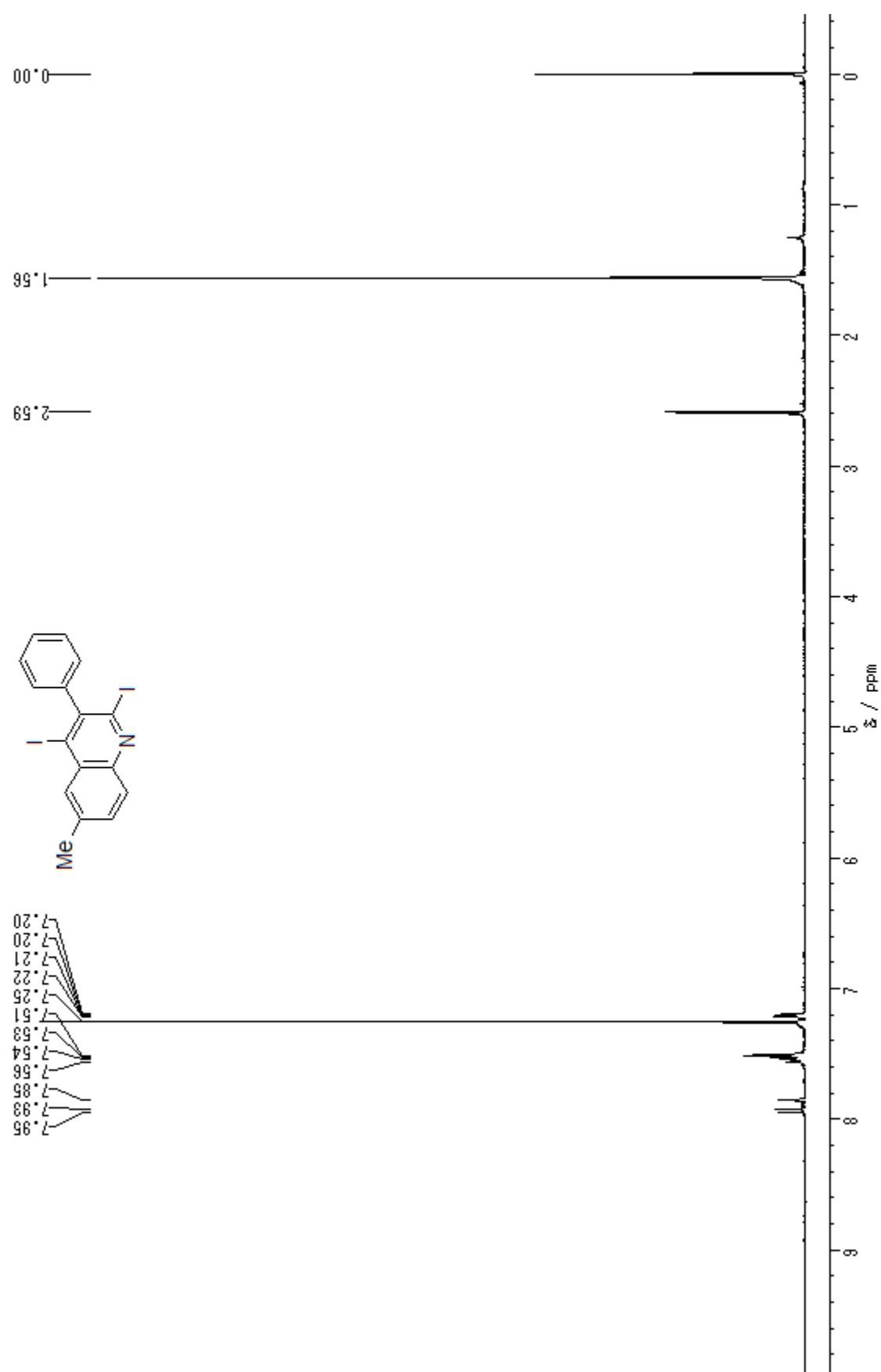
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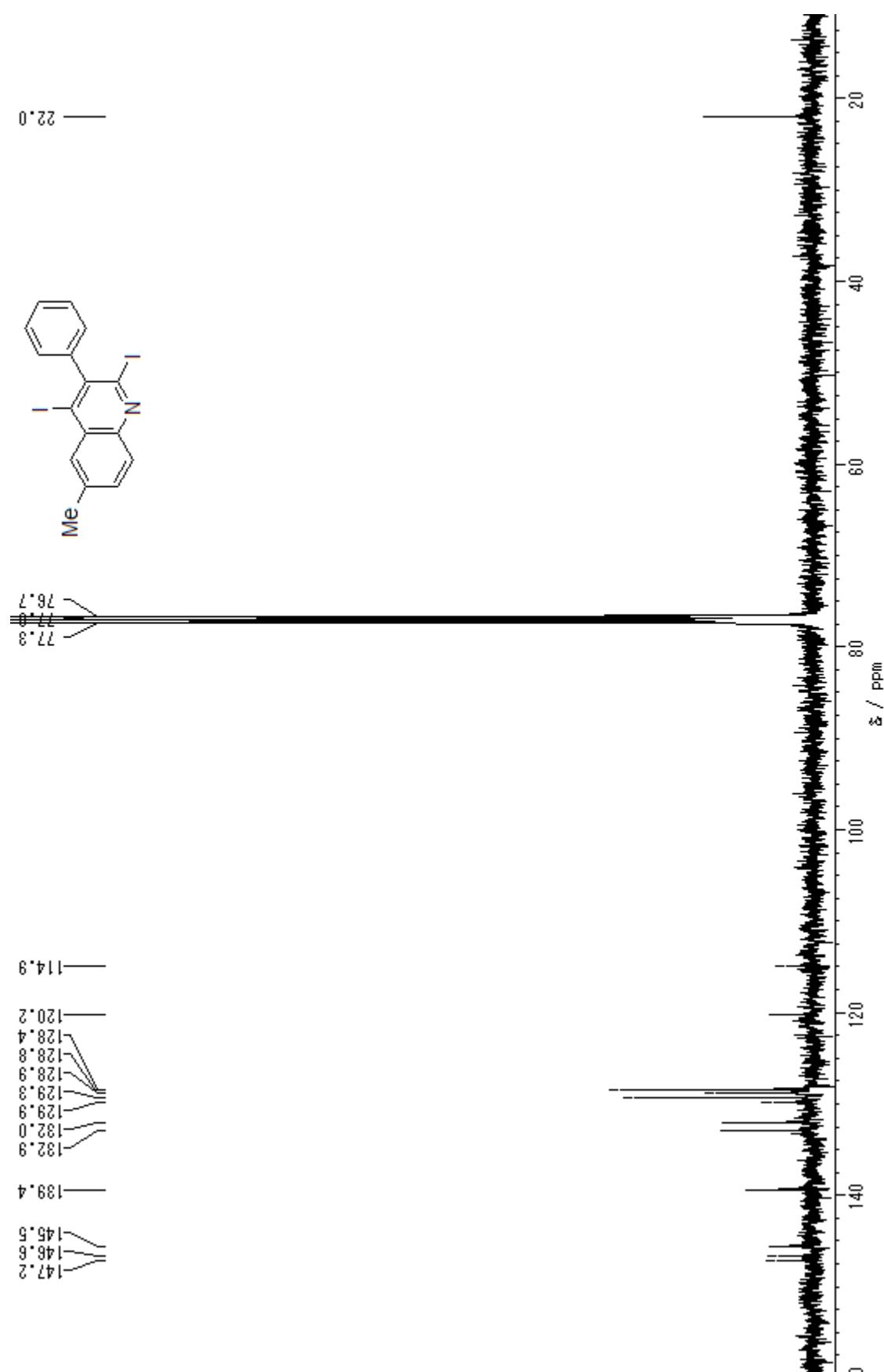
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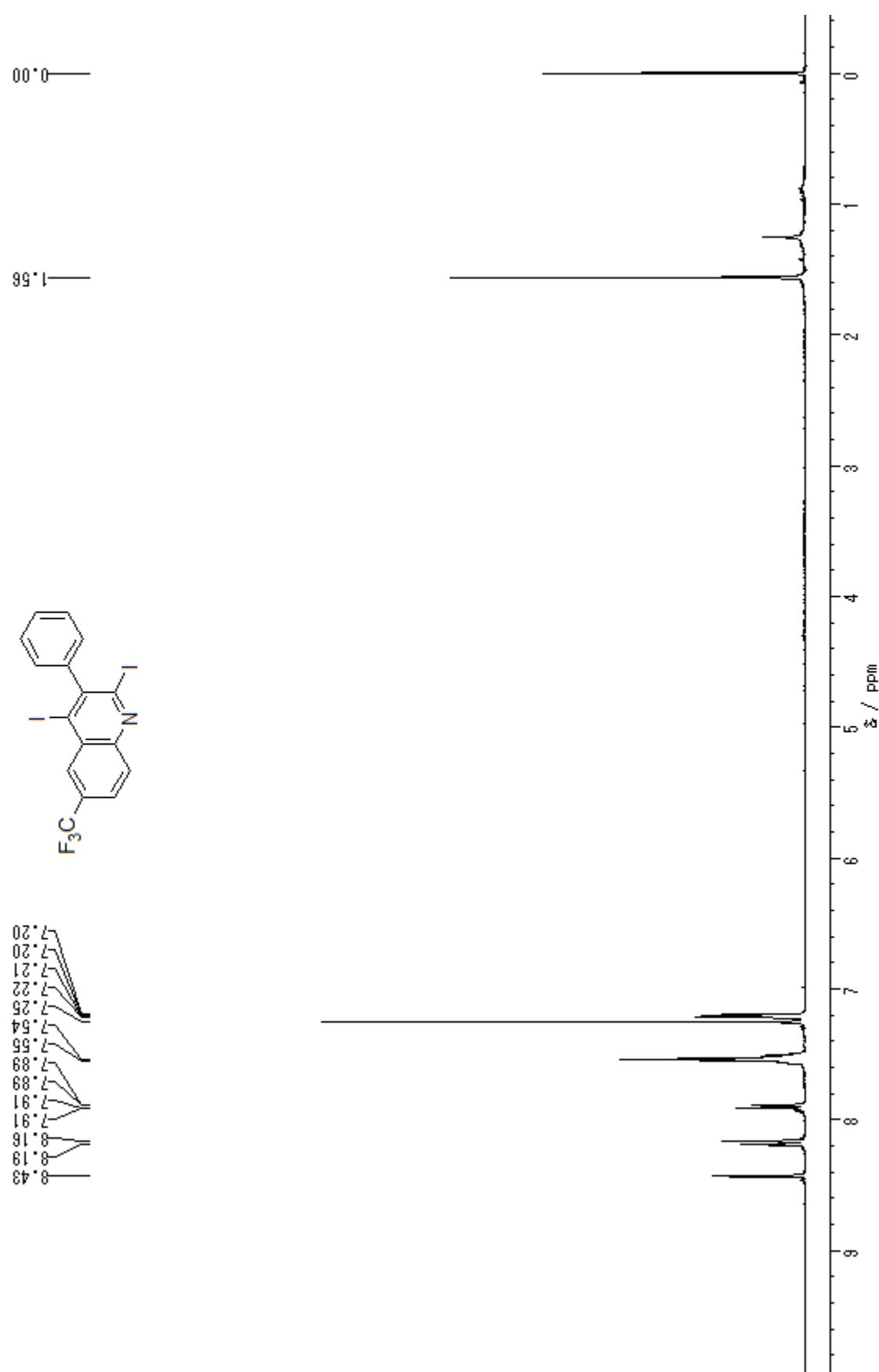
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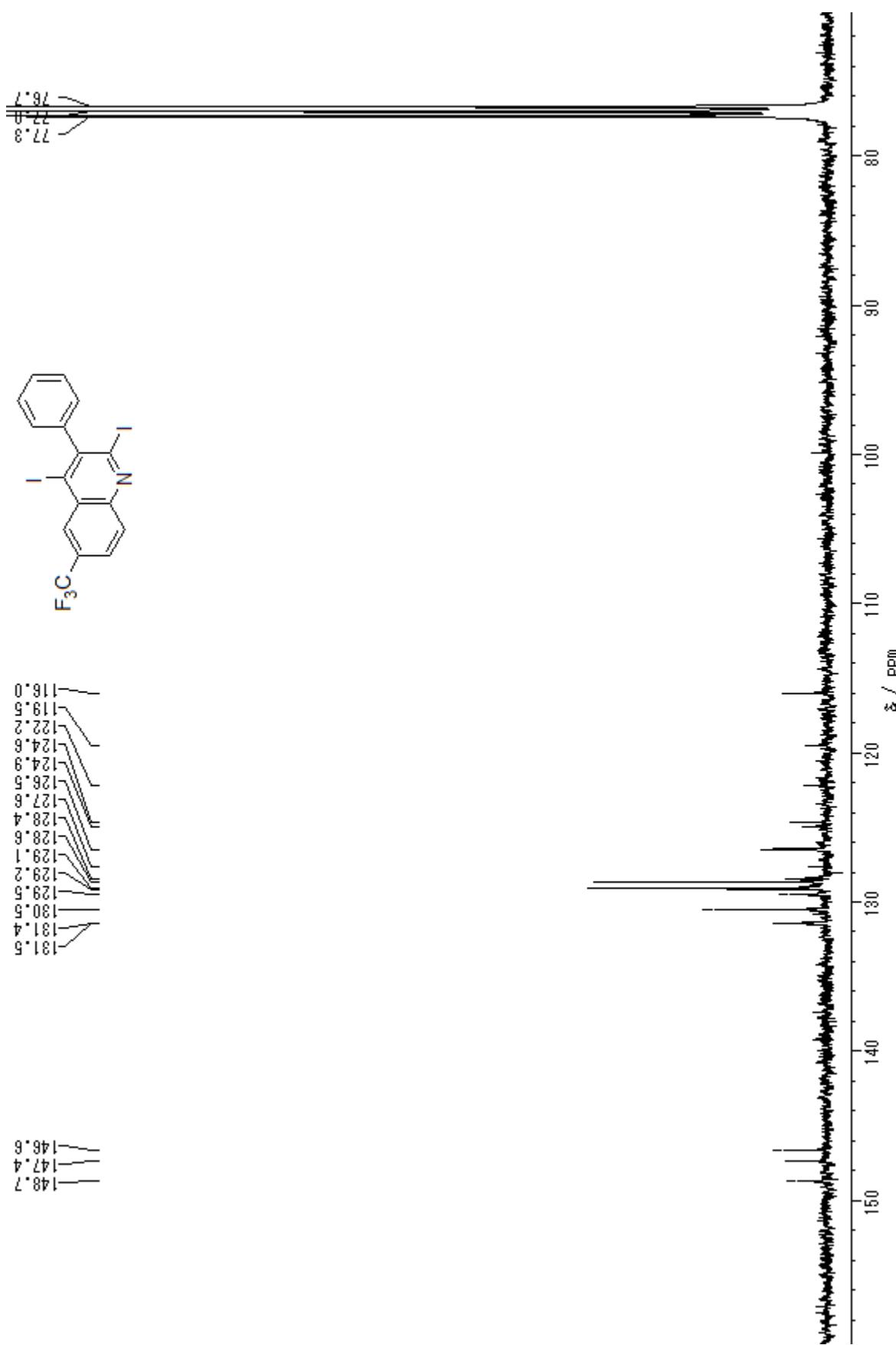
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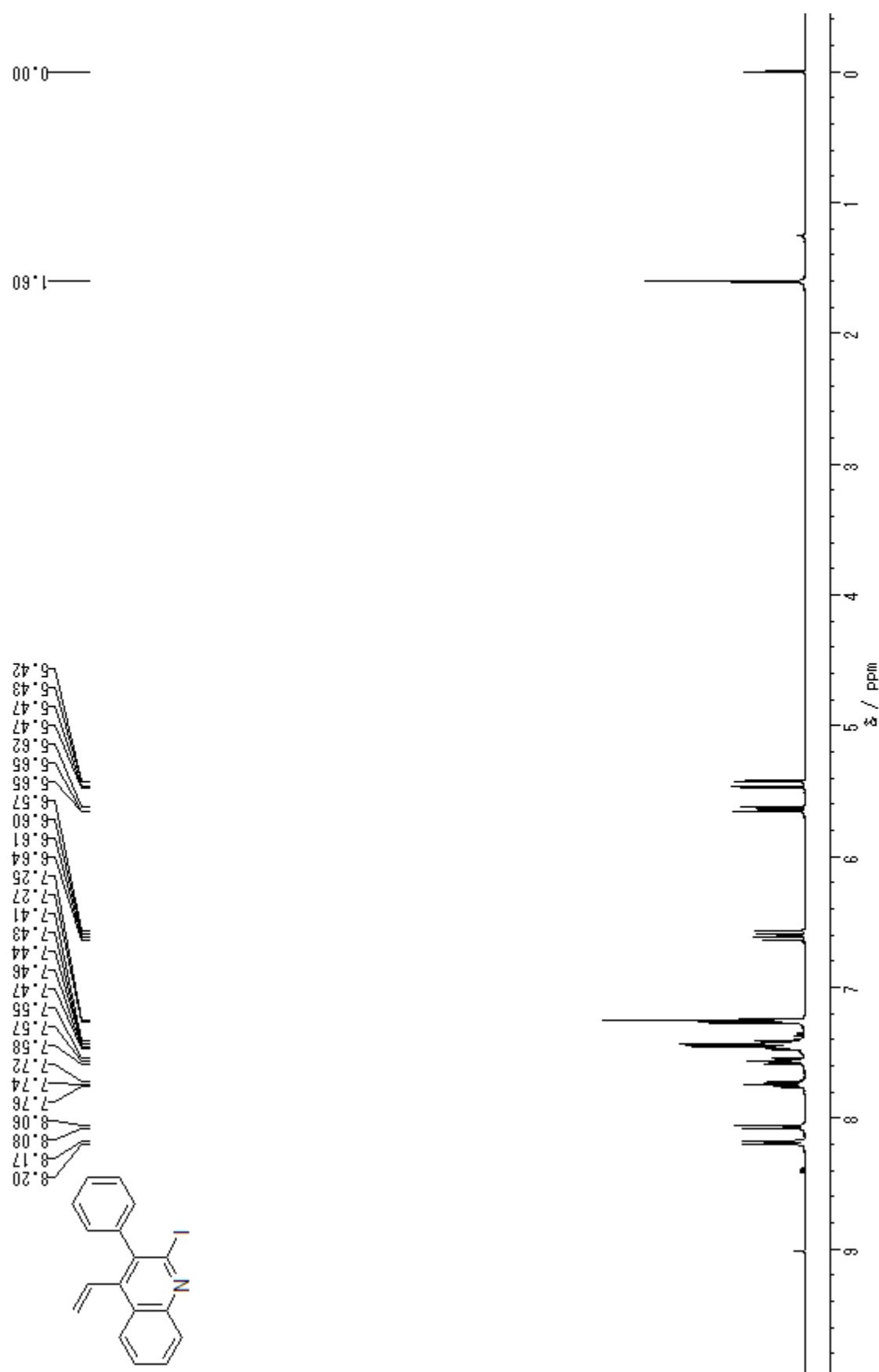
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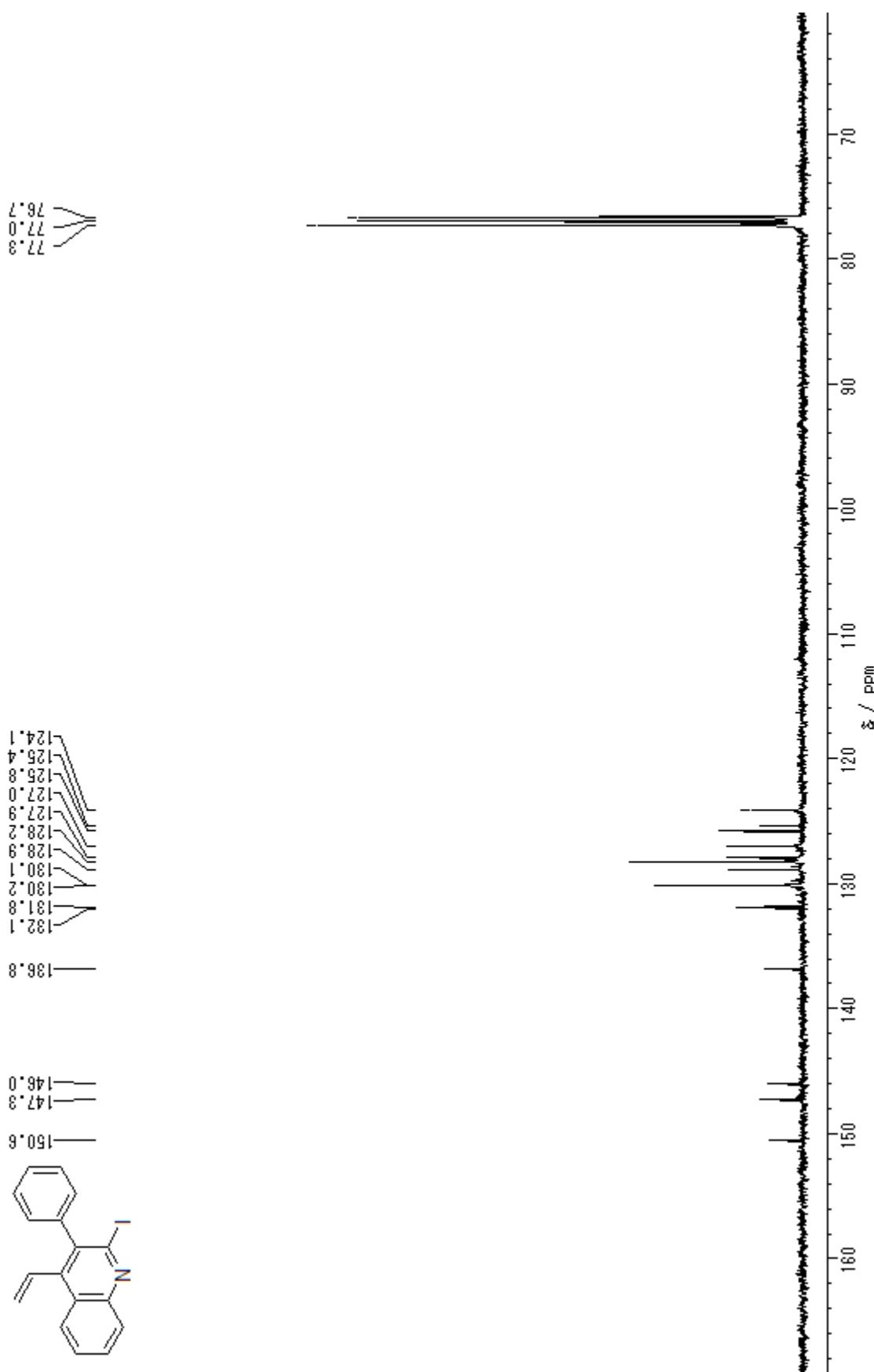
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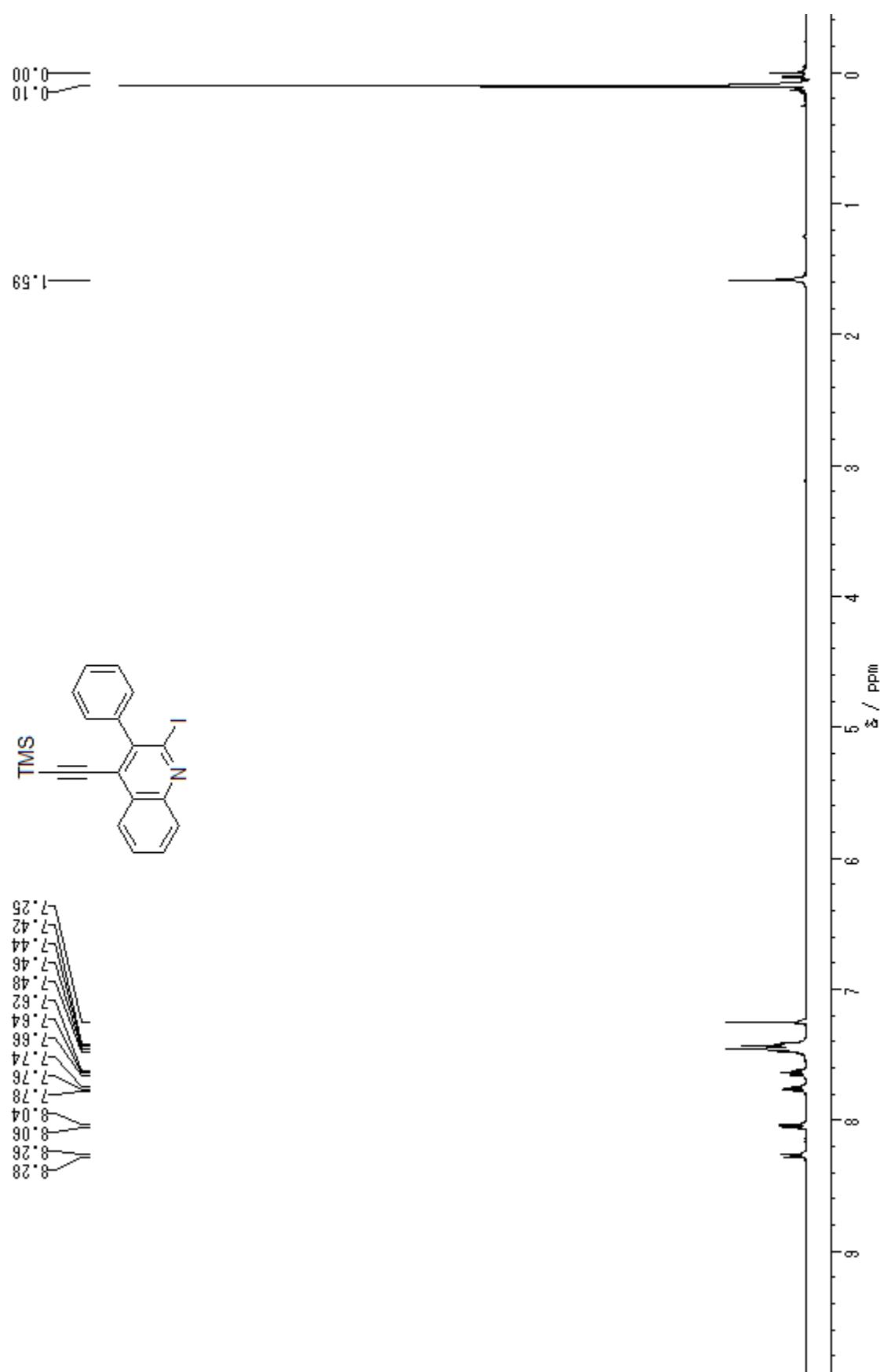
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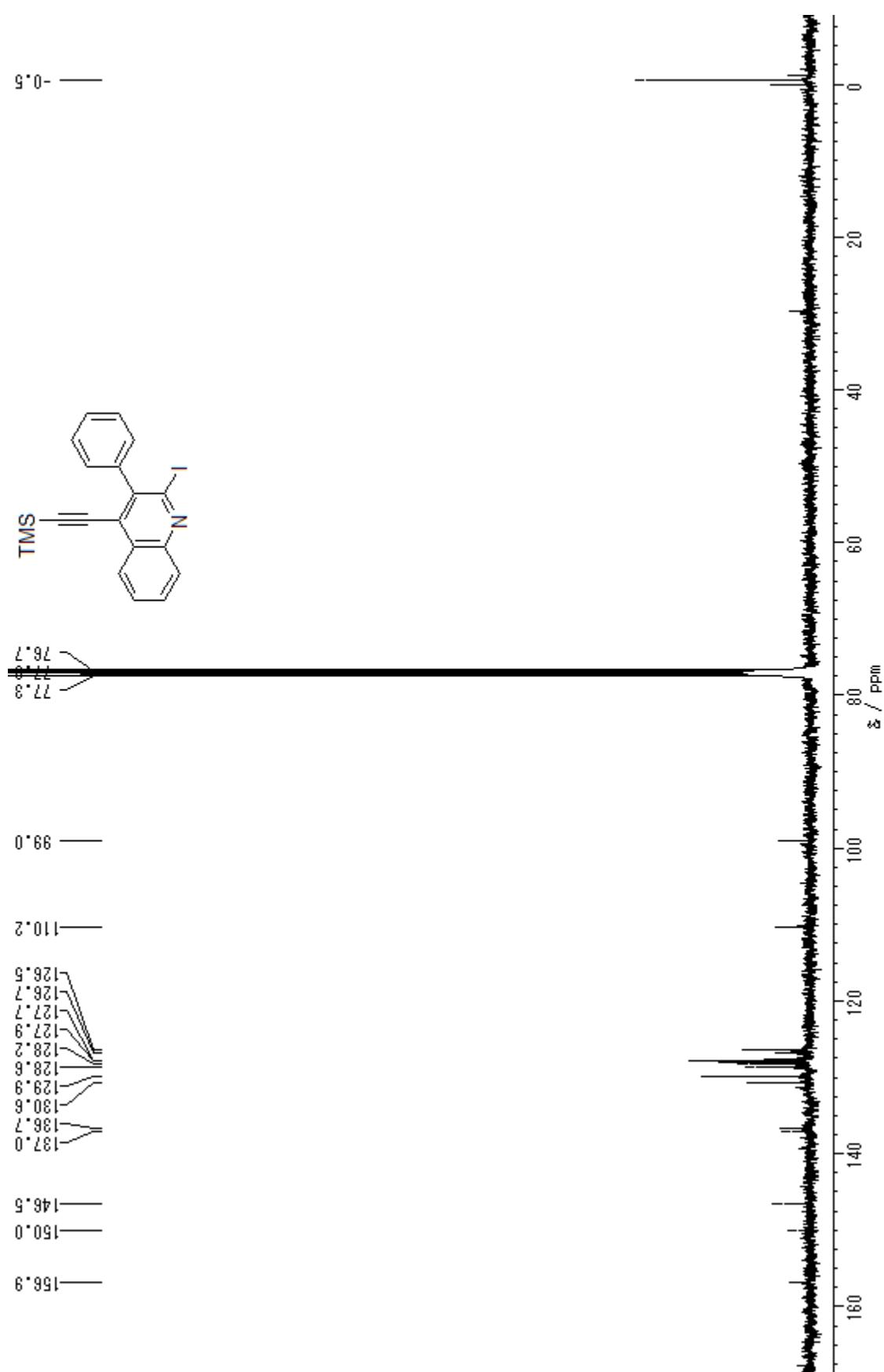
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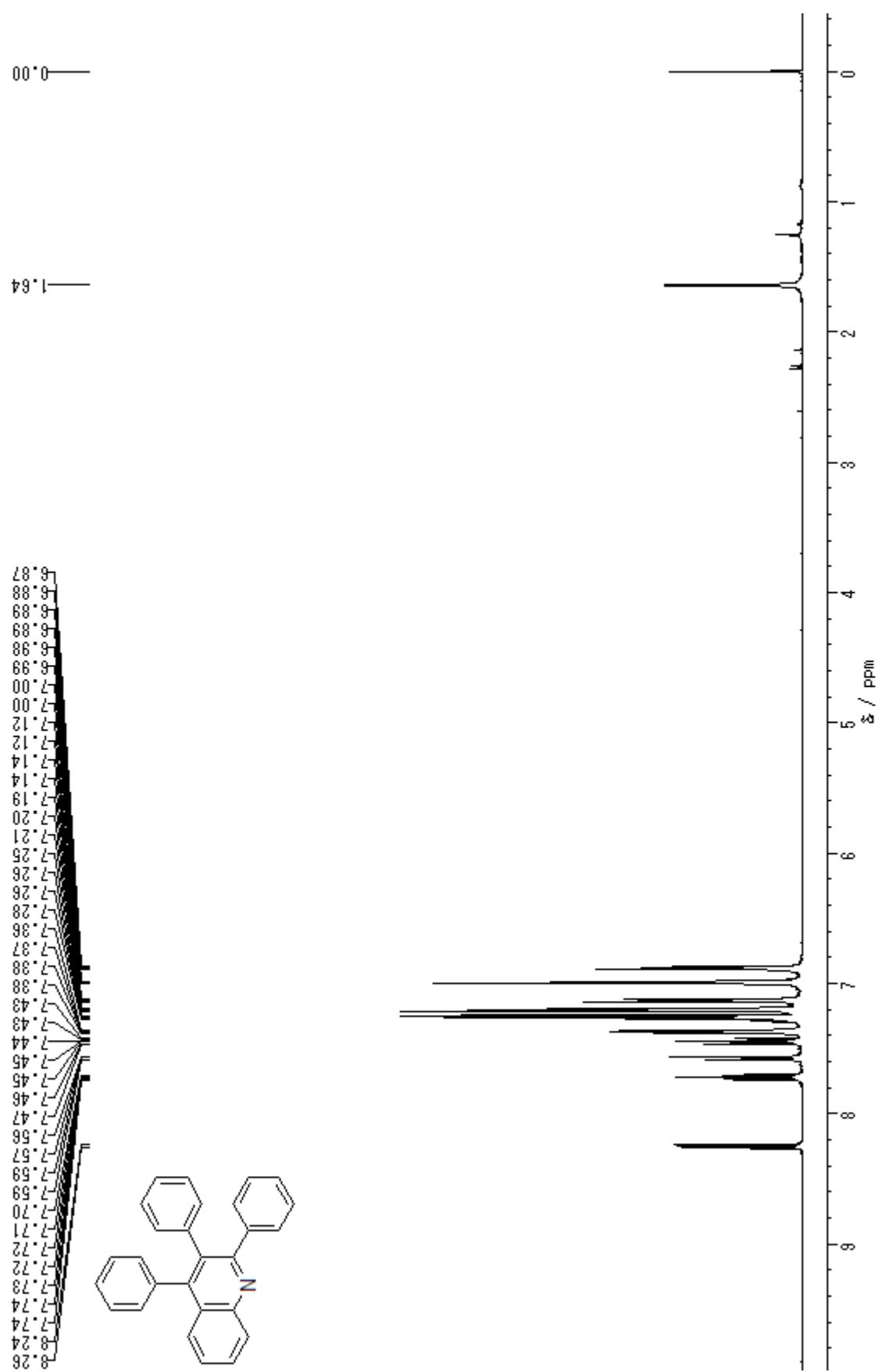
**2-Iodo-3-phenyl-4-trimethylsilylethyynylquinoline (4a)**



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**2,3,4-Triphenylquinoline (5a)**



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