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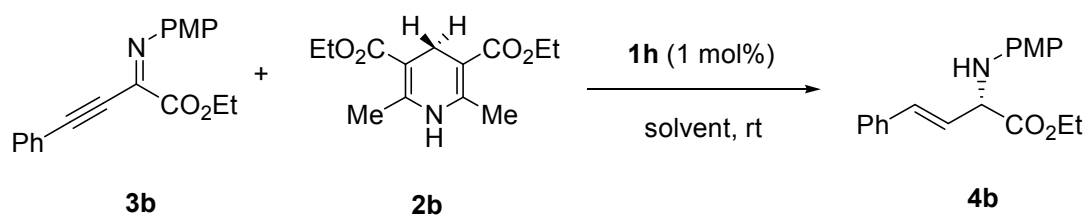
**Highly Enantioselective Transfer Hydrogenation of β,γ -Alkynyl
 α -Imino Esters by a Brønsted Acid**

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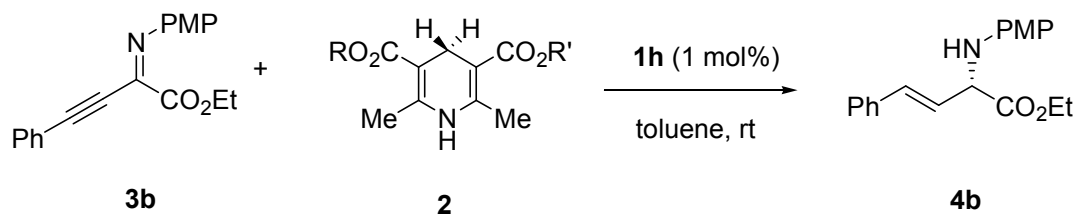
General Methods. Unless stated otherwise, all reactions were carried out in flame-dried glassware under a dry argon atmosphere. All solvents were purified and dried according to standard methods prior to use.

^1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra were recorded on a Varian instrument (300 MHz and 75 MHz, respectively) and internally referenced to tetramethylsilane signal or residual protio solvent signals. Data for ^1H NMR are recorded as follows: chemical shift (δ , ppm), multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, m = multiplet or unresolved, br = broad singlet, coupling constant(s) in Hz, integration). Data for ^{13}C NMR are reported in terms of chemical shift (δ , ppm).

Table I. Screening of solvents^[a]

entry	solvent	time (h)	ee% ^[b]
1	Et ₂ O	24	90
2	Toluene	24	92
3	DCM	24	85
4	THF	24	87
5	<i>t</i> BuOMe	24	85

[a] Reaction conditions: 1 mol% of **1h**, 2.2 equiv of **2b**, 0.05 mol/L of **3b** at room temperature. [b] Determined by chiral HPLC analysis (Chiralcel AD-H). PMP = *para*-methoxyphenyl.

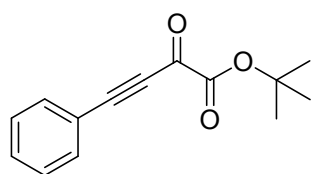
Table II. Investigation of Hantzsch esters^[a]

entry	2	time (h)	ee% ^[b]
1	2a : R = Me, R' = Me	24	85
2	2b : R = Et, R' = Et	24	92
3	2c : R = Me, R' = <i>t</i> Bu	24	93
4	2d : R = <i>t</i> Bu, R' = <i>t</i> Bu	24	86

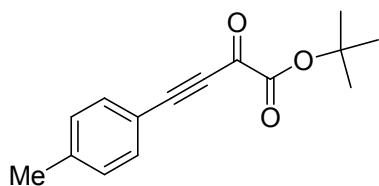
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Experimental Sections

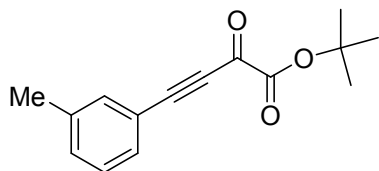
β,γ -alkynyl keto esters **10** were prepared according to the literature method.¹



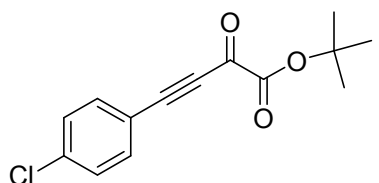
(**10d**). Yellow oil. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 1.61 (s, 9H), 7.40-7.45 (m, 2H), 7.50-7.55 (m, 1H), 7.65-7.68 (m, 2H).



(**10e**). Yellow oil. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 1.50 (s, 9H), 2.27 (s, 3H), 7.10 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.42 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 21.4, 27.3, 84.3, 87.0, 97.7, 115.7, 129.3, 133.4, 142.4, 157.9, 170.3; IR (film) 2984, 2194, 1747, 1676, 1605, 1509, 1458, 1371, 1305, 1257, 1162, 1077, 1037, 841, 818, 758, 540 cm^{-1} ; MS (ESI): 267.1 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]$; HRMS (ESI): Calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{16}\text{NaO}_3$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]$: 267.0991. Found: 267.1002.

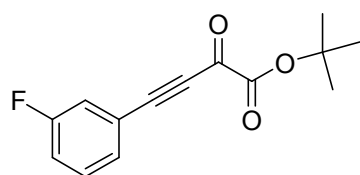


(**10f**). Yellow oil. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 1.61 (s, 9H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 7.29-7.32 (m, 2H), 7.44-7.45 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 20.8, 27.4, 84.5, 86.8, 97.4, 118.8, 128.4, 130.6, 132.5, 133.8, 138.4, 158.0, 170.5; IR (film) 2983, 2191, 1750, 1734, 1675, 1371, 1259, 1179, 1098, 1080, 848, 788, 688 cm^{-1} ; MS (ESI): 267.2 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]$; HRMS (ESI): Calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{16}\text{NaO}_3$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]$: 267.0991. Found: 267.1003.

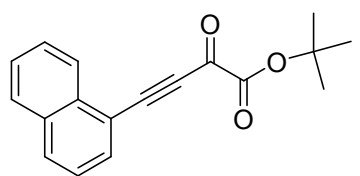


(**10g**). Yellow oil. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 1.52 (s, 9H), 7.32 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.50 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 27.6, 84.9, 87.7, 95.5, 117.6, 129.1, 134.7, 138.0, 157.9, 170.5; IR

(film) 2984, 2205, 1734, 1677, 1591, 1490, 1397, 1371, 1256, 1161, 1075, 837, 790, 537 cm^{-1} ; MS (ESI): 319.1 $[\text{M}+\text{MeOH}+\text{Na}]$; HRMS (ESI): Calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{13}\text{NaClO}_3$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]$: 287.0445. Found: 287.0437.

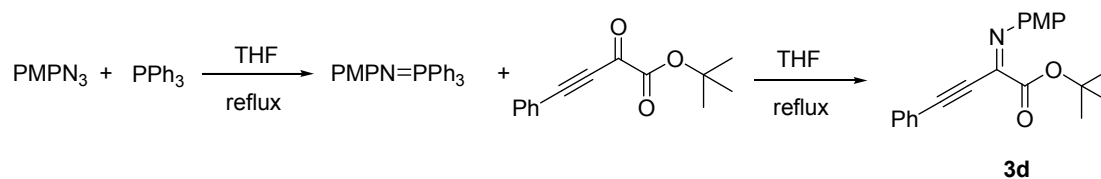


(10h). Yellow oil. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 1.49 (s, 9H), 7.07-7.15 (m, 1H), 7.17-7.21 (m, 1H), 7.31-7.33 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 27.3, 84.7, 86.9, 94.5, 118.8 (d, $J = 21.2$ Hz), 119.7 (d, $J = 22.9$ Hz), 120.7 (d, $J = 9.2$ Hz), 129.2 (d, $J = 2.9$ Hz), 130.4 (d, $J = 8.6$ Hz), 157.6, 161.9 (d, $J = 247.3$ Hz), 170.3; IR (film) 2985, 2200, 1752, 1683, 1581, 1487, 1431, 1372, 1260, 1183, 1153, 1088, 943, 853, 790, 680, 520 cm^{-1} ; MS (ESI): 303.1 $[\text{M}+\text{MeOH}+\text{Na}]$; HRMS (ESI): Calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{13}\text{NaFO}_3$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]$: 271.0740. Found: 271.0751.



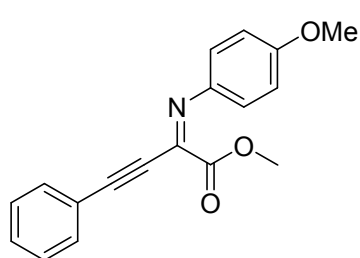
(10i). Yellow solid. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 1.66 (s, 9H), 7.48-7.69 (m, 3H), 7.89-7.95 (m, 2H), 8.00-8.03 (m, 1H), 8.45-8.47 (m, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 27.6, 84.9, 92.1, 95.7, 116.6, 125.1, 125.6, 127.0, 127.8, 128.5, 132.6, 132.8, 133.9, 134.3, 157.9, 170.5; IR (film) 2976, 2195, 1749, 1673, 1547, 1366, 1302, 1272, 1118, 828, 775, 753 cm^{-1} ; MS (ESI): 303.2 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]$; HRMS (ESI): Calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{16}\text{NaO}_3$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]$: 303.0991. Found: 303.1013.

Procedure A: General procedure for preparation of β,γ -alkynyl α -imino esters **3**:²

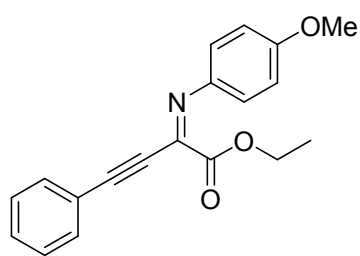


A solution of triphenylphosphine (10mmol) in THF (30 mL) was added dropwise to a solution of the 1-azido-4-methoxybenzene³ (10 mmol) in THF (20 mL) under

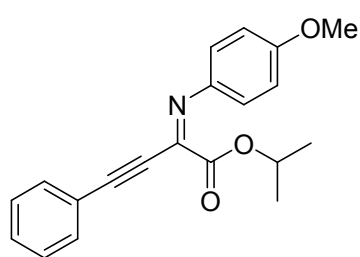
argon over 30 minutes. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 hours and then heated under reflux for 30 minutes then the reaction mixture was allowed to cool to room temperature, whereupon tert-butyl 2-oxo-4-phenylbut-3-ynoate¹ (6 mmol) was added. The mixture was heated under reflux for 4 hours and cooled to room temperature. The solvent was removed *in vacuo*. The crude product was purified by silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ester: ethyl acetate = 20 : 1) to afford **3d** as a jacinth oil.



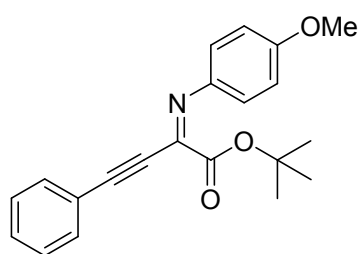
(3a). Yellow solid, 88% yield. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.86 (s, 3H), 4.00 (s, 3H), 6.97 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.36-7.42 (m, 3H), 7.48-7.51 (m, 2H), 7.58 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 53.5, 55.4, 83.2, 98.3, 113.7, 120.8, 124.9, 128.5, 130.1, 132.4, 138.4, 141.3, 159.5, 163.3; IR (film) 2958, 2204, 1751, 1740, 1604, 1559, 1502, 1293, 1249, 1161, 1099, 1026, 833, 755, 689 cm⁻¹; HRMS (EI) exact mass calculated for (C₁₈H₁₅NO₃) requires *m/z* 293.1052. Found *m/z* 293.1051.



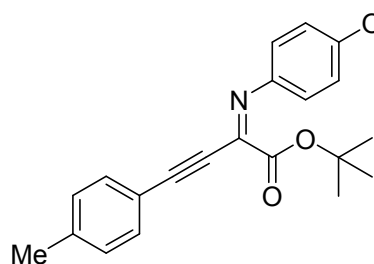
(3b). Yellow solid, 86% yield. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.46 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 4.47 (q, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 6.96 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.33-7.42 (m, 3H), 7.46-7.50 (m, 2H), 7.56 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 14.1, 55.3, 62.6, 83.2, 98.2, 113.6, 120.9, 124.7, 128.4, 130.1, 132.4, 138.9, 141.4, 159.3, 162.7; IR (film) 3014, 2840, 2203, 1739, 1604, 1501, 1289, 1248, 1163, 1096, 1030, 760, 692 cm⁻¹; HRMS (EI) exact mass calculated for (C₁₉H₁₇NO₃) requires *m/z* 307.1208. Found *m/z* 307.1218.



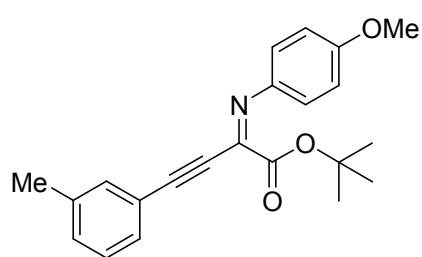
(3c). Yellow oil, 86% yield. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 1.44 (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 6H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 5.24-5.33 (m, 1H), 6.95-6.98 (m, 2H), 7.34-7.48 (m, 2H), 7.53-7.56 (m, 5H); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 21.7, 55.4, 70.5, 83.3, 98.1, 113.6, 121.0, 124.7, 128.5, 130.0, 132.4, 139.4, 141.6, 159.2, 162.2; IR (film) 2982, 2200, 1741, 1722, 1606, 1503, 1295, 1249, 1091, 838, 758, 690, 531 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (EI) exact mass calculated for $(\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{19}\text{NO}_3)$ requires m/z 321.1363 Found m/z 321.1365.



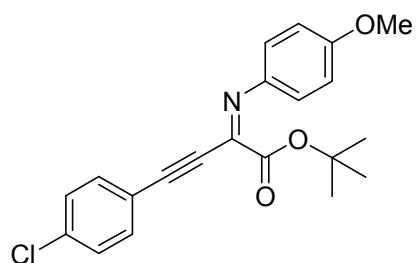
(3d). Yellow oil, 90% yield. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 1.64 (s, 9H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 6.95 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.31-7.46 (m, 5H), 7.54 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 27.6, 55.1, 82.9, 83.4, 97.7, 113.4, 120.9, 124.4, 128.3, 129.8, 132.1, 140.0, 141.5, 159.0, 161.2; IR (film) 2980, 2201, 1735, 1721, 1606, 1504, 1370, 1297, 1251, 1160, 1095, 1033, 842, 759, 690, 531 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (EI) exact mass calculated for $(\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{21}\text{NO}_3)$ requires m/z 335.1521. Found m/z 335.1532.



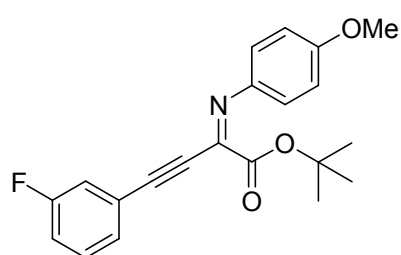
(3e). Yellow oil, 95% yield. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 1.64 (s, 9H), 2.32 (s, 3H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 6.94 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.13 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.34 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.55 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 21.3, 27.6, 55.0, 82.7, 83.1, 98.2, 113.3, 117.8, 124.4, 129.0, 132.0, 140.1, 140.3, 141.5, 158.8, 161.2; IR (film) 2980, 2198, 1740, 1604, 1561, 1502, 1369, 1295, 1251, 1160, 1093, 1034, 842, 817, 531 cm^{-1} ; MS (ESI): 350.2 $[\text{M}+\text{H}]$; HRMS (ESI): Calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{24}\text{NO}_3$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]$: 350.1750. Found: 350.17.



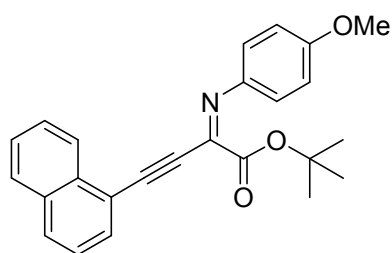
(3f). Yellow oil, 86% yield. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 1.64 (s, 9H), 2.30 (s, 3H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 6.94 (d, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 2H), 7.18-7.27 (m, 4H), 7.55 (d, $J = 9.3$ Hz, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 20.7, 27.5, 54.9, 82.7, 83.0, 98.0, 113.3, 120.6, 124.3, 128.1, 129.2, 130.7, 132.4, 137.9, 139.9, 141.4, 158.9, 161.1; IR (film) 2980, 2191, 1740, 1605, 1502, 1369, 1272, 1251, 1157, 1100, 1034, 839, 786, 689 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI): Calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{24}\text{NO}_3$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}$]: 350.1750. Found: 350.1758.



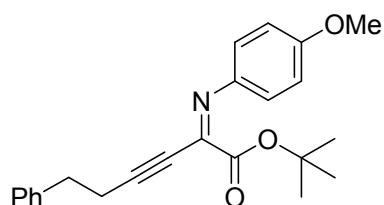
(3g). Yellow oil, 87% yield. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 1.64 (s, 9H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 6.95 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.29-7.38 (m, 4H), 7.52 (d, $J = 9.3$ Hz, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 27.6, 55.1, 83.0, 84.2, 96.2, 113.4, 119.4, 124.3, 128.7, 133.3, 136.0, 139.7, 141.4, 159.0, 161.1; IR (film) 2980, 2202, 1741, 1606, 1560, 1503, 1369, 1295, 1251, 1158, 1034, 830, 528 cm^{-1} ; MS (ESI): 370.1 [$\text{M}+\text{H}$]; HRMS (ESI): Calcd for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{21}\text{ClNO}_3$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}$]: 370.1204. Found: 370.1225.



(3h). Yellow oil, 92% yield. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 1.65 (s, 9H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 6.95 (d, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 2H), 7.09-7.16 (m, 2H), 7.22-7.32 (m, 2H), 7.53 (d, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 27.6, 55.1, 83.0, 83.8, 95.7, 95.8, 113.4, 117.2 (d, $J = 21.2$ Hz), 118.6 (d, $J = 22.9$ Hz), 122.6 (d, $J = 9.2$ Hz), 124.4, 128.0 (d, $J = 3.5$ Hz), 130.0 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 139.5, 141.3, 159.1, 161.0, 161.9 (d, $J = 246.2$ Hz); IR (film) 2981, 2198, 1739, 1607, 1579, 1503, 1370, 1252, 1151, 1095, 1034, 840, 786, 680, 520 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI): Calcd for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{21}\text{FNO}_3$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}$]: 354.1500. Found: 354.1517.



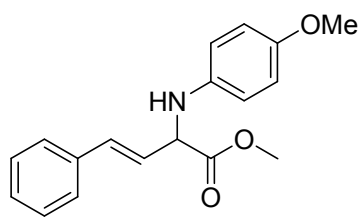
(3i). Yellow oil, 97% yield. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 1.70 (s, 9H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 6.95 (d, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.32 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.41-7.45 (m, 2H), 7.55 (d, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.60-7.62 (m, 1H), 7.71-7.77 (m, 2H), 8.10-8.13 (m, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 27.5, 54.8, 82.8, 87.8, 95.9, 113.4, 118.2, 123.7, 124.7, 125.4, 126.3, 126.7, 127.9, 130.3, 131.8, 132.4, 133.0, 140.4, 141.8, 158.7, 160.8; IR (film) 2980, 2189, 1739, 1604, 1502, 1248, 1156, 1122, 1030, 837, 773 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI): Calcd for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{24}\text{NO}_3$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]$: 386.1750. Found: 386.1769.



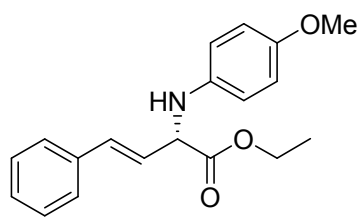
(3j). Yellow oil, 88% yield. ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 1.59 (s, 9H), 2.68 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 2.84 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 6.83 (d, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 2H), 7.14-7.27 (m, 5H), 7.34 (d, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 21.5, 27.7, 33.8, 55.2, 75.7, 82.9, 99.9, 113.4, 124.0, 126.3, 128.2, 128.3, 139.7, 140.8, 141.6, 158.7, 161.8; IR (film) 2981, 2216, 1720, 1606, 1502, 1250, 1146, 1033, 838, 700 cm^{-1} ; LRMS-ESI (m/z): 364 ($\text{M}+\text{H}^+$).

Procedure B: General procedure for the asymmetric transfer hydrogenation of β,γ -alkynyl α -imino esters **3**:

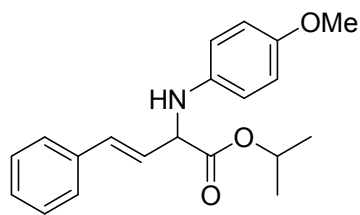
In a dry Schlenk tube containing Et_2O (4 mL), β,γ -alkynyl α -imino ester **3** (0.2 mmol), chiral phosphoric acid **1h** (0.002 mmol) and Hantzsch ester **2** (0.44 mmol) were added under argon. After the reaction was complete (monitored by TLC), the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by silica gel column chromatography (ethyl acetate/petroleum ether = 1/20 ~ 1/40) to afford the product.



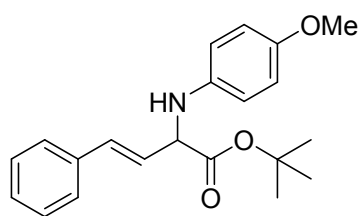
(4a). Prepared according to the general procedure to provide the title compound as a pale yellow oil (15% yield, 89% ee) following silica gel chromatography (ethyl acetate/petroleum ether = 1/30, v/v). $[\alpha]_D^{20} = +97.0$ ($c = 0.5$, CHCl_3). ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 3.74 (s, 3H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 4.37 (br, 1H), 4.67 (d, $J = 6.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.28 (dd, $J_1 = 5.7$ Hz, $J_2 = 15.9$ Hz, 1H), 6.63-6.66 (m, 2H), 6.75-6.80 (m, 3H), 7.22-7.39 (m, 5H); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 52.7, 55.7, 59.8, 114.8, 115.1, 125.1, 126.6, 128.0, 128.6, 132.9, 136.1, 140.4, 152.7, 172.4; IR (film) 3380, 2973, 1735, 1515, 1380, 1307, 1163, 1130, 952, 817 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI): Calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{20}\text{NO}_3$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 298.1437. Found: 298.1449; The enantiomeric ratio was determined by Daicel Chiralcel AD-H (0.46 cm*25 cm), Hexanes / IPA = 90 / 10, 1.0 mL/min $^{-1}$, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (minor) = 17.71 min, t (major) = 20.83 min.



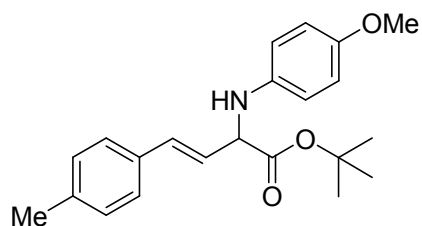
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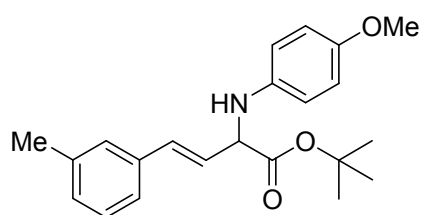
(4c). Prepared according to the general procedure to provide the title compound as a colorless solid (51% yield, 95% ee) following silica gel chromatography (ethyl acetate/petroleum ether = 1/30, v/v). $[\alpha]_D^{20} = +97.0$ ($c = 1.1$, CHCl_3). ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 1.23 (d, $J = 6.0$ Hz, 3H), 1.28 (d, $J = 6.0$ Hz, 3H), 3.72 (s, 3H), 4.39 (br, 1H), 4.62 (d, $J = 5.7$ Hz, 1H), 5.05-5.13 (m, 1H), 6.28 (dd, $J_1 = 5.4$ Hz, $J_2 = 15.9$ Hz, 1H), 6.63 (d, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 2H), 6.77 (d, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 2H), 6.78 (d, $J = 14.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.21-7.38 (m, 5H); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 21.6, 21.8, 55.6, 59.9, 69.4, 114.8, 115.0, 125.3, 126.6, 127.9, 128.5, 132.6, 136.3, 140.5, 152.5, 171.4; IR (film) 3362, 2981, 1728, 1716, 1516, 1247, 1233, 1195, 1182, 1099, 1030, 824, 692 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (EI) exact mass calculated for ($\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{23}\text{NO}_3$) requires m/z 325.1683. Found m/z 325.1678. The enantiomeric ratio was determined by Daicel Chiralcel AD-H (0.46 cm*25 cm), Hexanes / IPA = 90 / 10, 1.0 mL/min $^{-1}$, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (major) = 16.65 min, t (minor) = 13.71 min.



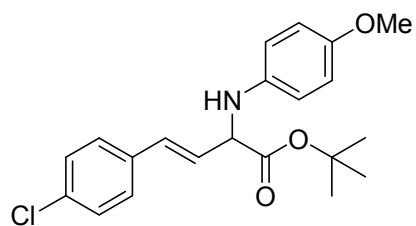
(4d). Prepared according to the general procedure to provide the title compound as white solid (58% yield, 94% ee) following silica gel chromatography (ethyl acetate/petroleum ether = 1/20, v/v). $[\alpha]_D^{20} = +81.6$ ($c = 0.8$, CHCl_3). ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 1.47 (s, 9H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 4.38 (br, 1H), 4.54 (d, $J = 5.1$ Hz, 1H), 6.28 (dd, $J_1 = 5.4$ Hz, $J_2 = 15.6$ Hz, 1H), 6.63 (d, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 2H), 6.74-6.80 (m, 3H), 7.22-7.40 (m, 5H); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 28.0, 55.7, 60.3, 82.4, 114.8, 114.9, 125.8, 126.6, 127.8, 128.5, 132.3, 136.4, 140.7, 152.4, 171.0; IR (film) 3347, 2962, 2835, 1709, 1514, 1368, 1259, 1239, 1097, 1037, 968, 822, 692 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI): Calcd for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{26}\text{NO}_3$ [$\text{M}+\text{H}$]: 340.1907. Found: 340.1914; The enantiomeric ratio was determined by Daicel Chiralcel AD-H (0.46 cm*25 cm), Hexanes / IPA = 70 / 30, 1.0 mL/min $^{-1}$, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (minor) = 10.74 min, t (major) = 11.52 min.



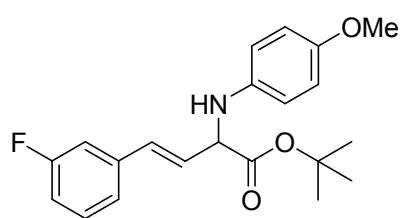
(4e). Prepared according to the general procedure to provide the title compound as white solid (42% yield, 95% ee) following silica gel chromatography (ethyl acetate/petroleum ether = 1/40, v/v). $[\alpha]_D^{20} = +90.2$ ($c = 1.0$, CHCl_3). ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 1.46 (s, 9H), 2.33 (s, 3H), 3.73 (s, 3H), 4.35 (br, 1H), 4.53 (d, $J = 5.4$ Hz, 1H), 6.22 (dd, $J_1 = 6.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 15.9$ Hz, 1H), 6.62 (d, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 2H), 6.73 (d, $J = 15.9$ Hz, 1H), 6.77 (d, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.12 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.27 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 21.2, 28.0, 55.7, 60.3, 82.2, 114.7, 114.9, 124.7, 126.5, 129.2, 132.2, 133.6, 137.7, 140.7, 152.4, 171.1; IR (film) 3360, 2981, 1718, 1512, 1367, 1243, 1146, 1034, 822 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI): Calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{28}\text{NO}_3$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 354.2063. Found: 354.2074; The enantiomeric ratio was determined by Daicel Chiralcel AD-H (0.46 cm*25 cm), Hexanes / IPA = 80 / 20, 1.0 $\text{mL}/\text{min}^{-1}$, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (minor) = 27.35 min, t (major) = 13.81 min.



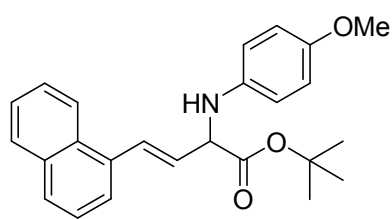
(4f). Prepared according to the general procedure to provide the title compound as pale yellow solid (64% yield, 95% ee) following silica gel chromatography (ethyl acetate/petroleum ether = 1/40, v/v). $[\alpha]_D^{20} = +71.5$ ($c = 0.9$, CHCl_3). ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 1.47 (s, 9H), 2.34 (s, 3H), 3.73 (s, 3H), 4.37 (br, 1H), 4.53 (d, $J = 5.7$ Hz, 1H), 6.26 (dd, $J_1 = 5.7$ Hz, $J_2 = 16.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.62 (d, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 2H), 6.74 (d, $J = 16.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.77 (d, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 2H), 7.05-7.07 (m, 1H), 7.19-7.26 (m, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 21.3, 28.0, 55.7, 60.3, 82.3, 114.8, 114.9, 123.7, 125.6, 127.3, 128.4, 132.5, 136.4, 138.1, 140.7, 152.4, 171.0; IR (film) 3384, 2979, 1729, 1514, 1369, 1240, 1151, 1039, 821 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI): Calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{28}\text{NO}_3$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 354.2063. Found: 354.2076; The enantiomeric ratio was determined by Daicel Chiralcel AD-H (0.46 cm*25 cm), Hexanes / IPA = 80 / 20, 1.0 $\text{mL}/\text{min}^{-1}$, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (minor) = 10.58 min, t (major) = 9.66 min.



(**4g**). Prepared according to the general procedure to provide the title compound as pale yellow solid (47% yield, 96% ee) following silica gel chromatography (ethyl acetate/petroleum ether = 1/40, v/v). $[\alpha]_D^{20} = +86.5$ ($c = 0.88$, CHCl_3). ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 1.47 (s, 9H), 3.73 (s, 3H), 4.39 (br, 1H), 4.53 (d, $J = 4.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.25 (dd, $J_1 = 5.4$ Hz, $J_2 = 16.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.62 (d, $J = 9.1$ Hz, 2H), 6.72 (d, $J = 15.6$ Hz, 1H), 6.78 (d, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 2H), 7.23-7.31 (m, 4H); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 28.0, 55.7, 60.2, 82.5, 114.8, 114.9, 126.5, 127.8, 128.7, 131.0, 133.4, 134.9, 140.6, 152.5, 170.7; IR (film) 3346, 2982, 1719, 1512, 1244, 1144, 821 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI): Calcd for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{25}\text{ClNO}_3$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]$: 374.1517. Found: 374.1532; The enantiomeric ratio was determined by Daicel Chiralcel AD-H (0.46 cm*25 cm), Hexanes / IPA = 80 / 20, 1.0 mL/min $^{-1}$, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (minor) = 21.60 min, t (major) = 15.65 min.

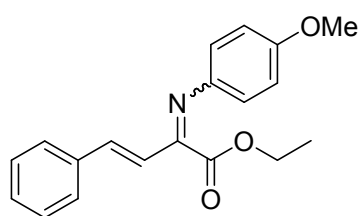


(**4h**). Prepared according to the general procedure to provide the title compound as pale yellow solid (60% yield, 93% ee) following silica gel chromatography (ethyl acetate/petroleum ether = 1/40, v/v). $[\alpha]_D^{20} = +70.6$ ($c = 1.0$, CHCl_3). ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 1.48 (s, 9H), 3.73 (s, 3H), 4.40 (br, 1H), 4.54 (d, $J = 4.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.30 (dd, $J_1 = 5.7$ Hz, $J_2 = 15.9$ Hz, 1H), 6.61 (d, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 2H), 6.73 (d, $J = 15.3$ Hz, 1H), 6.77 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 6.93-6.97 (m, 1H), 7.06-7.13 (m, 2H), 7.23-7.30 (m, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 28.0, 55.7, 60.2, 82.6, 113.0 (d, $J = 21.8$ Hz), 114.6 (d, $J = 21.2$ Hz), 114.9 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 122.5, 122.6, 127.3, 130.0 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 131.1 (d, $J = 2.3$ Hz), 140.6, 152.5, 163.0 (d, $J = 244.3$ Hz), 170.7; IR (film) 3385, 2981, 1733, 1515, 1241, 1151, 1039, 821 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI): Calcd for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{25}\text{FNO}_3$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]$: 358.1813. Found: 358.1817; The enantiomeric ratio was determined by Daicel Chiralcel OD-H (0.46 cm*25 cm), Hexanes / IPA = 90 / 10, 1.0 mL/min $^{-1}$, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (minor) = 6.21 min, t (major) = 7.05 min.



(4i). Prepared according to the general procedure to provide the title compound as pale yellow oil (27% yield, 83% ee) following silica gel chromatography (ethyl acetate/petroleum ether = 1/40, v/v). $[\alpha]_D^{20} = +46.3$ ($c = 0.8$, CHCl_3). ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 1.51 (s, 9H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 4.67 (dd, $J_1 = 1.5$ Hz, $J_2 = 5.7$ Hz, 1H), 6.29 (dd, $J_1 = 5.7$ Hz, $J_2 = 15.6$ Hz, 1H), 6.70 (d, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 2H), 6.81 (d, $J = 9.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.41-7.56 (m, 5H), 7.67-7.85 (m, 2H), 7.97-8.01 (m, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 28.0, 55.7, 60.6, 82.4, 114.8, 115.1, 123.9, 124.0, 125.5, 125.8, 126.1, 128.1, 128.4, 129.1, 130.0, 131.1, 133.5, 134.5, 140.7, 152.5, 170.9; IR (film) 3375, 2980, 1739, 1514, 1370, 1244, 1154, 1037, 823, 775 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (MALDI/DHB): Calcd for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{27}\text{NO}_3\text{Na}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]$: 412.1884. Found: 412.1883; The enantiomeric ratio was determined by Daicel Chiralcel AD-H (0.46 cm*25 cm), Hexanes / IPA = 90 / 10, 1.0 mL/min $^{-1}$, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (minor) = 14.25 min, t (major) = 16.75 min.

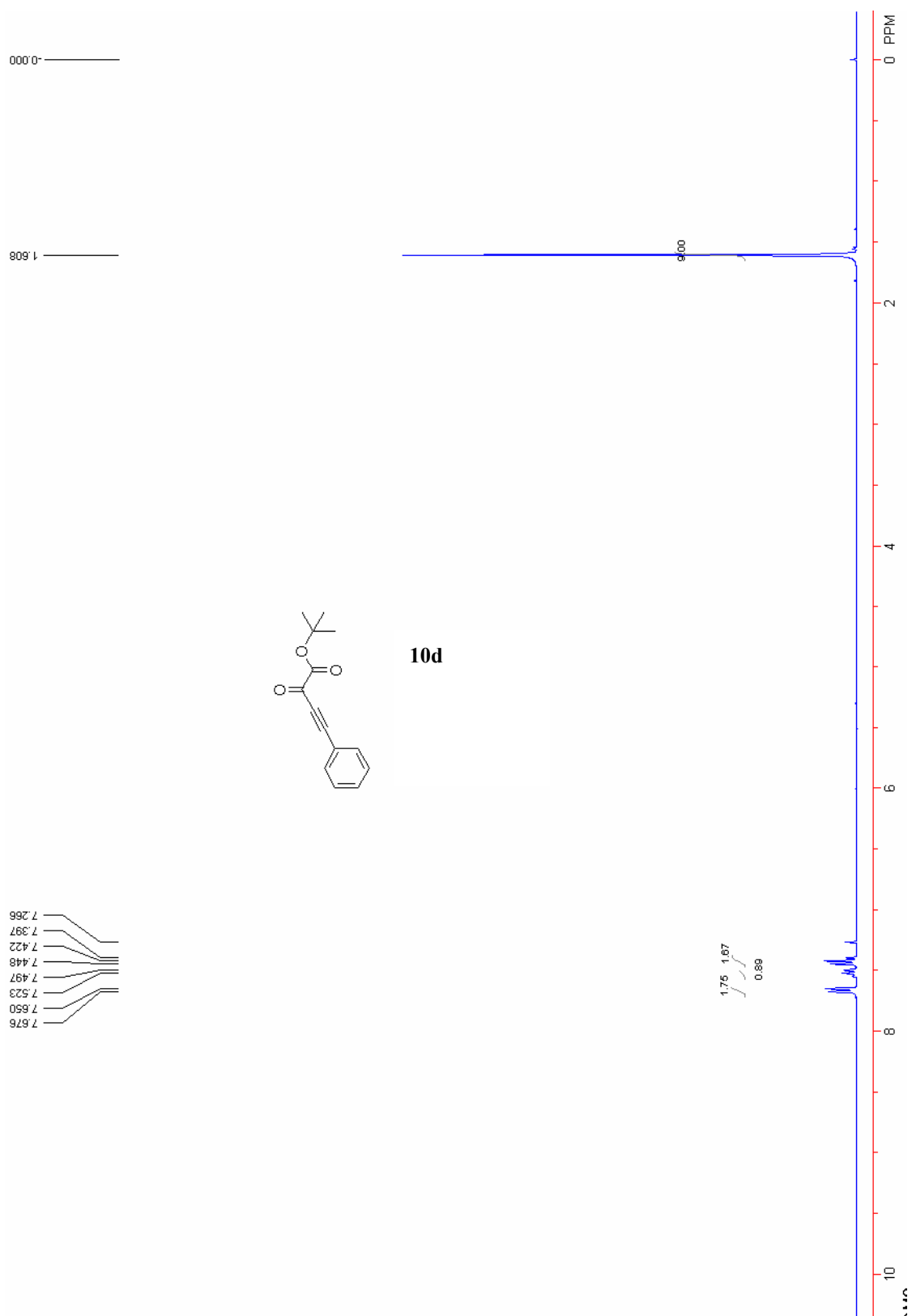
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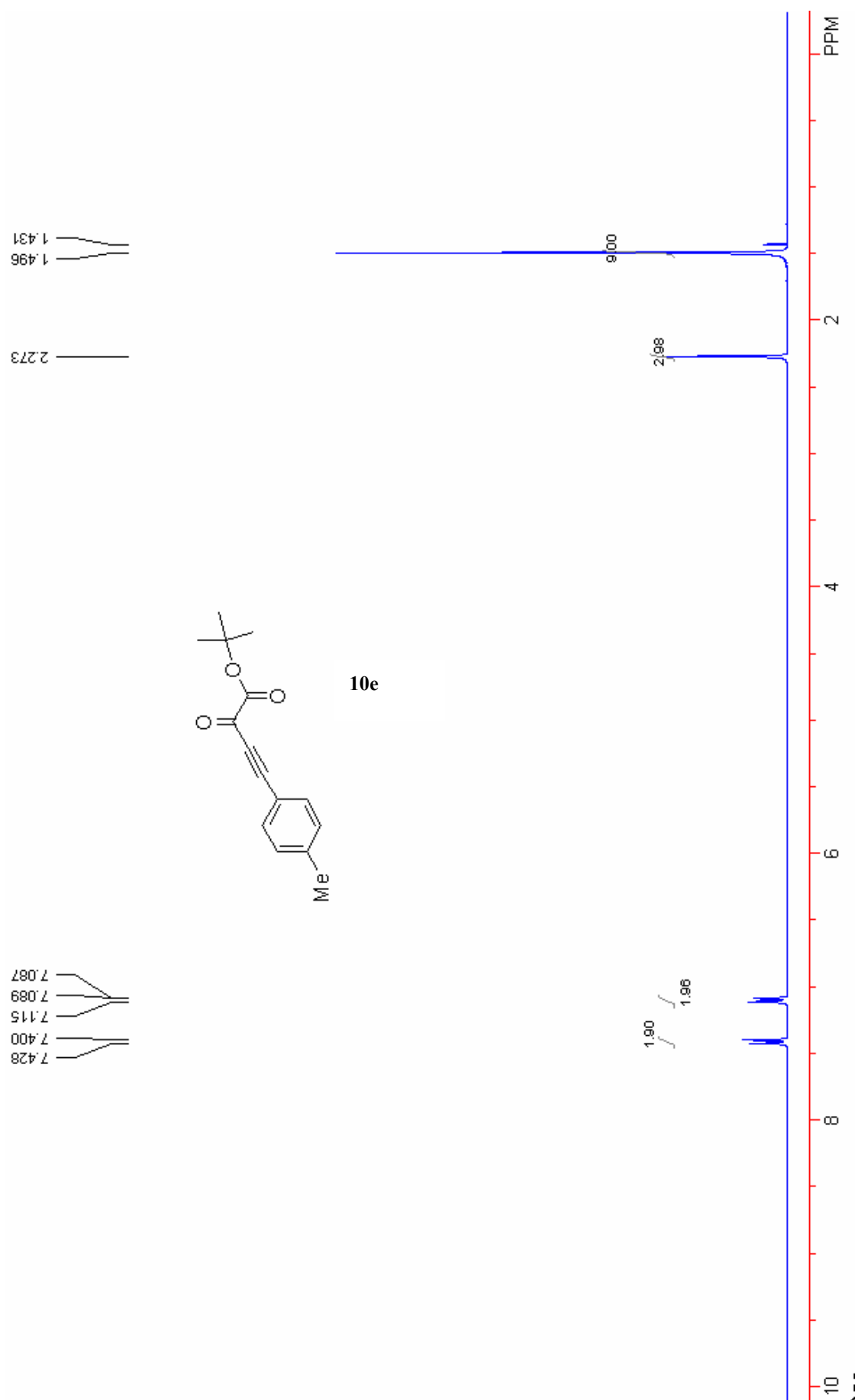


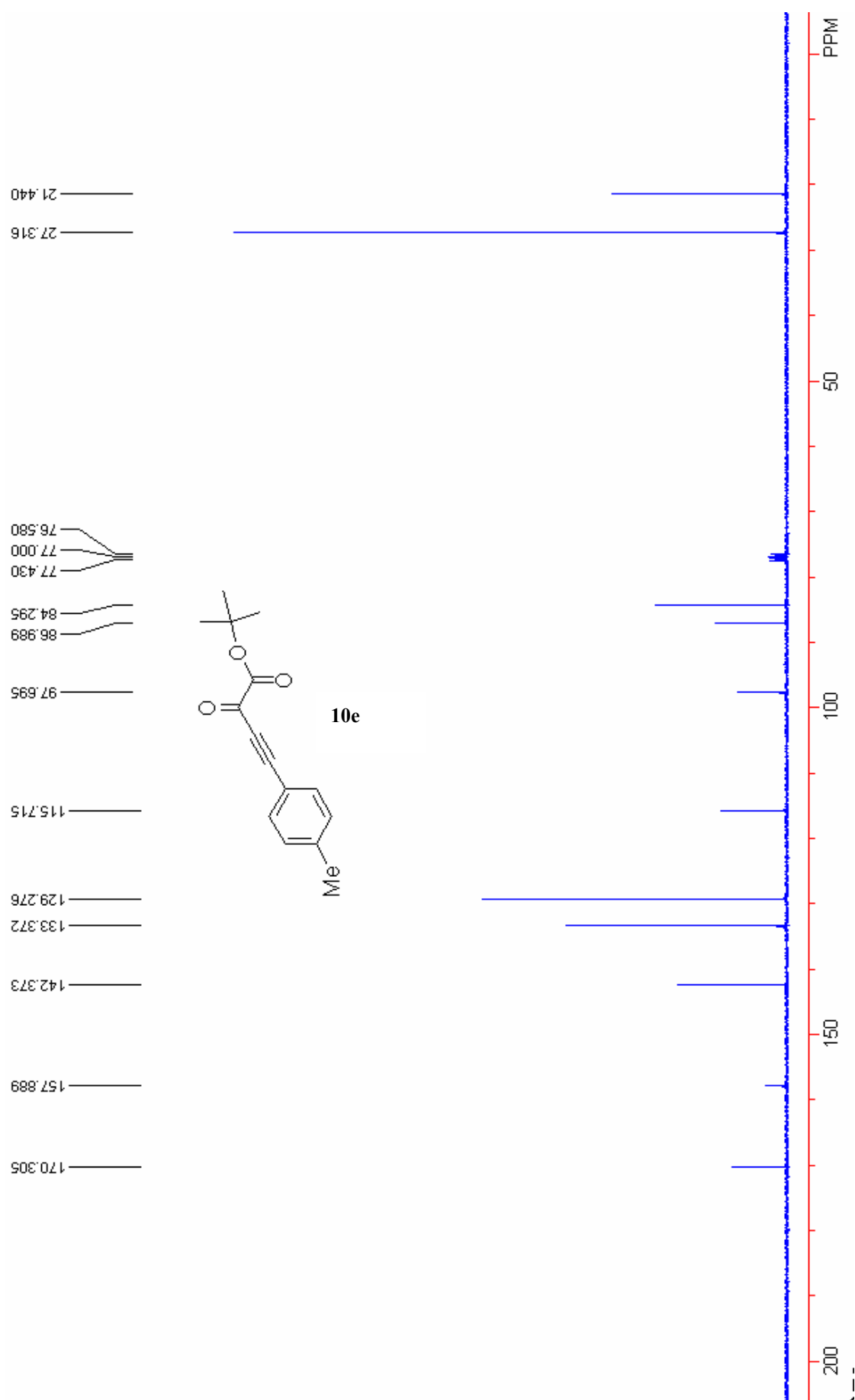
(7). Yellow oil. Isomer mixtures (major isomer: minor isomer = 10:9). ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 1.06 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 3H, major), 1.44 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 3H, minor), 3.77 (s, 3H, major), 3.80 (s, 3H, minor), 4.17 (q, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H, major), 4.47 (q, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H, minor), 6.77-6.96 (m, 9H, major + minor), 6.99-7.14 (m, 2H, major + minor), 7.29-7.53 (m, 11H, major + minor); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ (major + minor) 13.7, 14.0, 55.2, 61.3, 61.9, 113.9, 114.0, 117.3, 121.2, 122.2, 125.9, 127.4, 127.5, 128.7, 128.7, 129.5, 129.7, 135.1, 135.2, 140.5, 141.5, 141.5, 143.0, 157.2, 157.3, 158.2, 159.9, 164.9, 165.0; IR (film) 3314, 1729, 1674, 1644, 1515, 1247, 1173, 1081, 1031, 832, 814, 744, 695, 515 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (EI): Calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{19}\text{NO}_3$: 309.1365. Found: 309.1368.

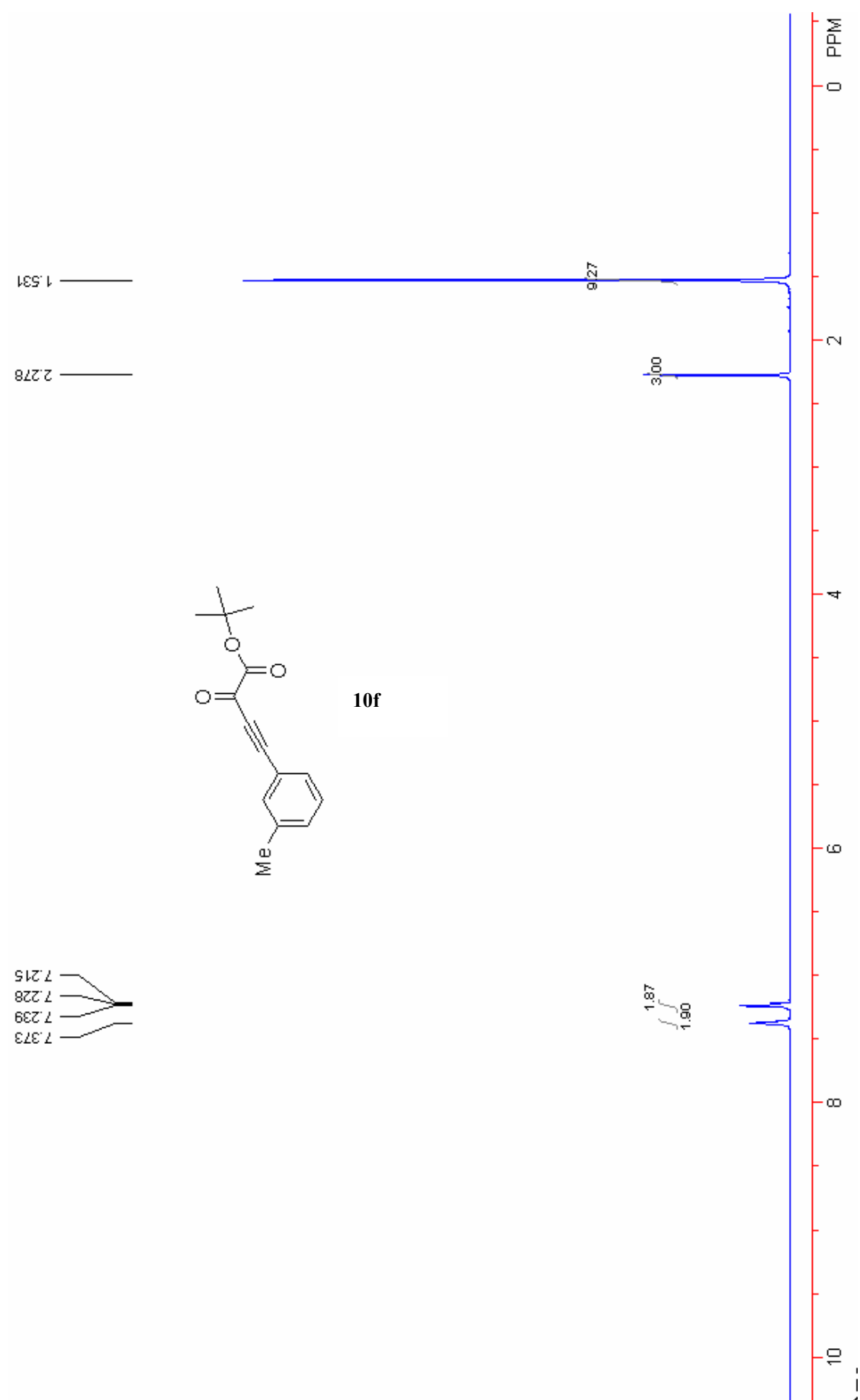
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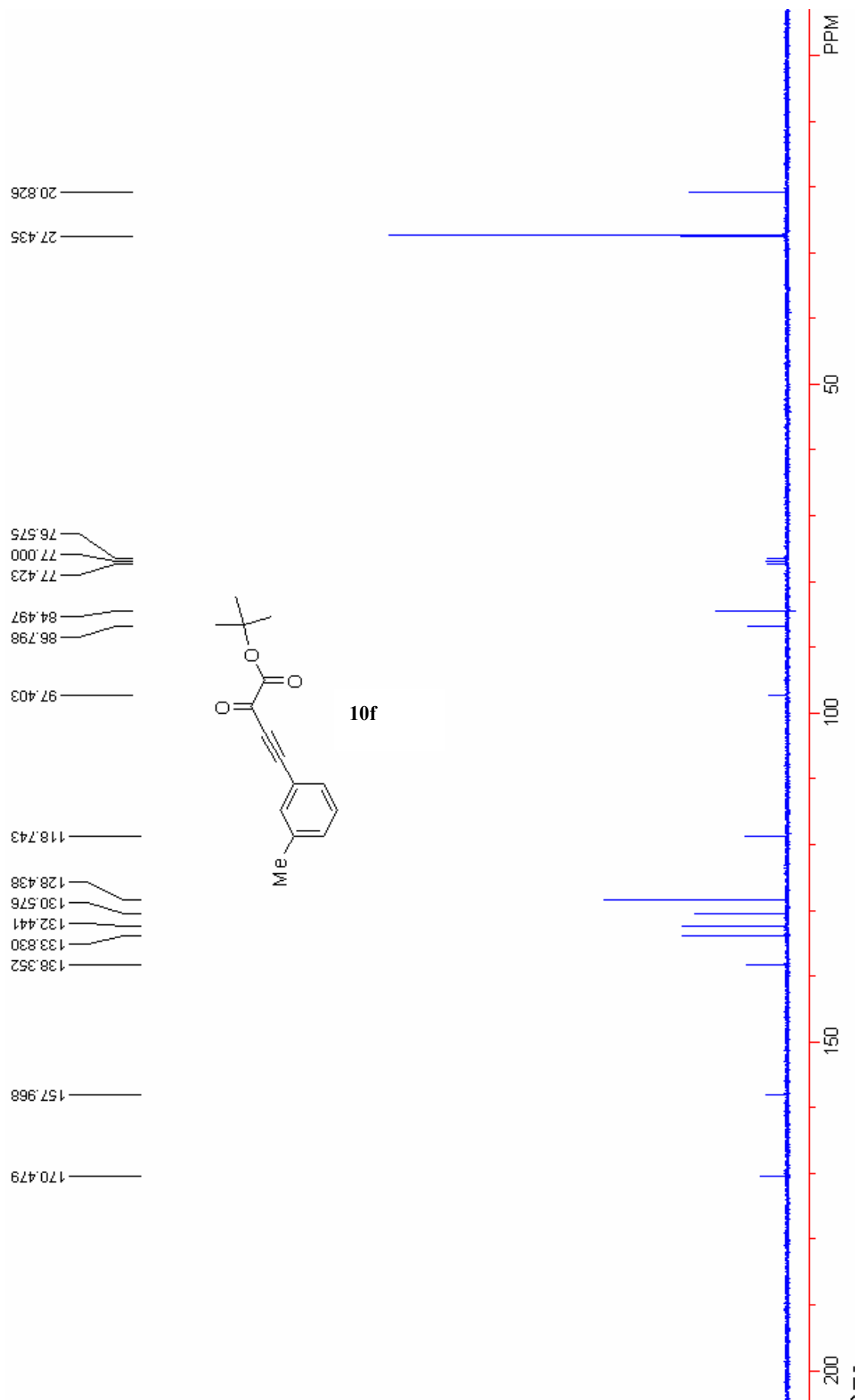
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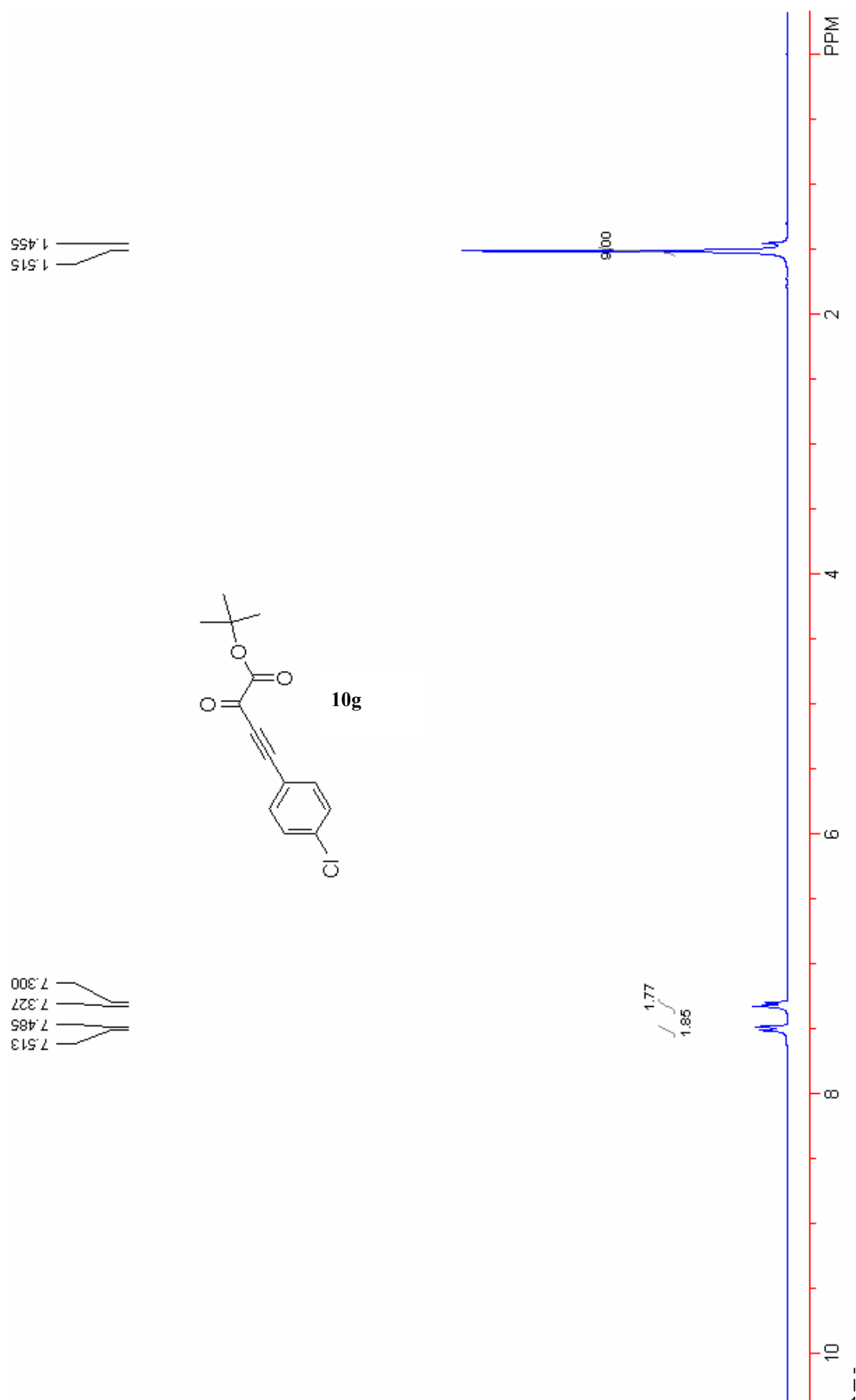


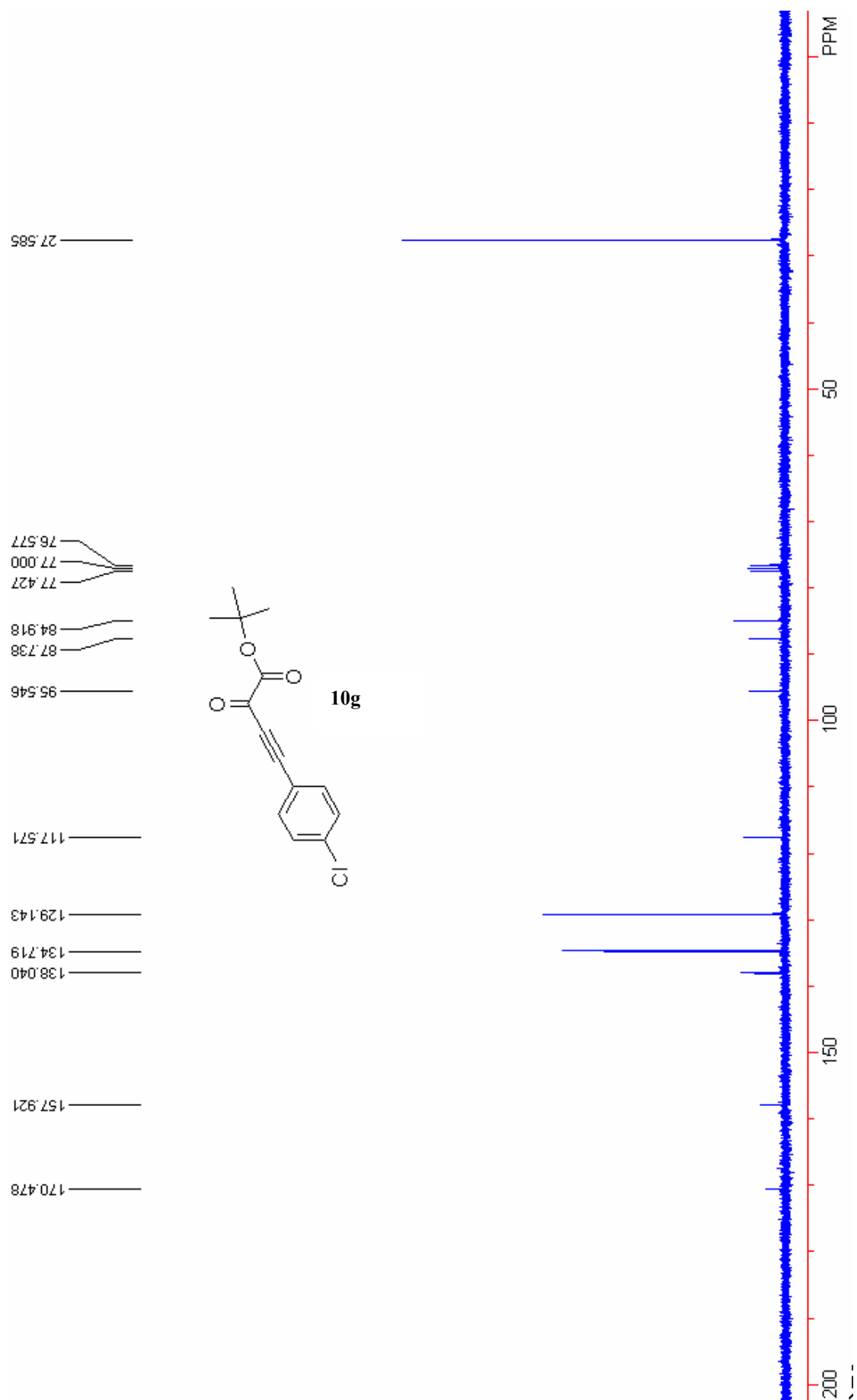


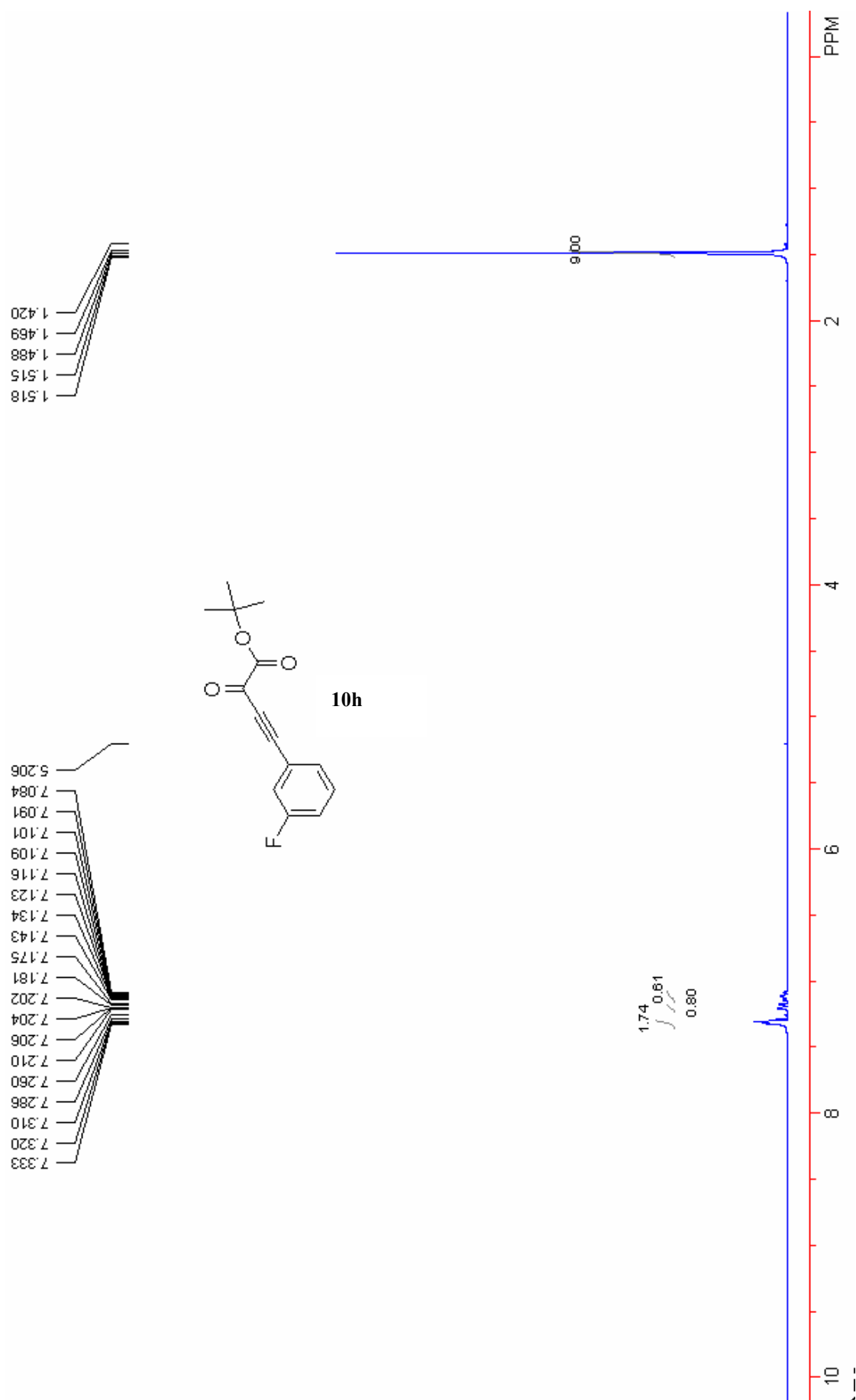


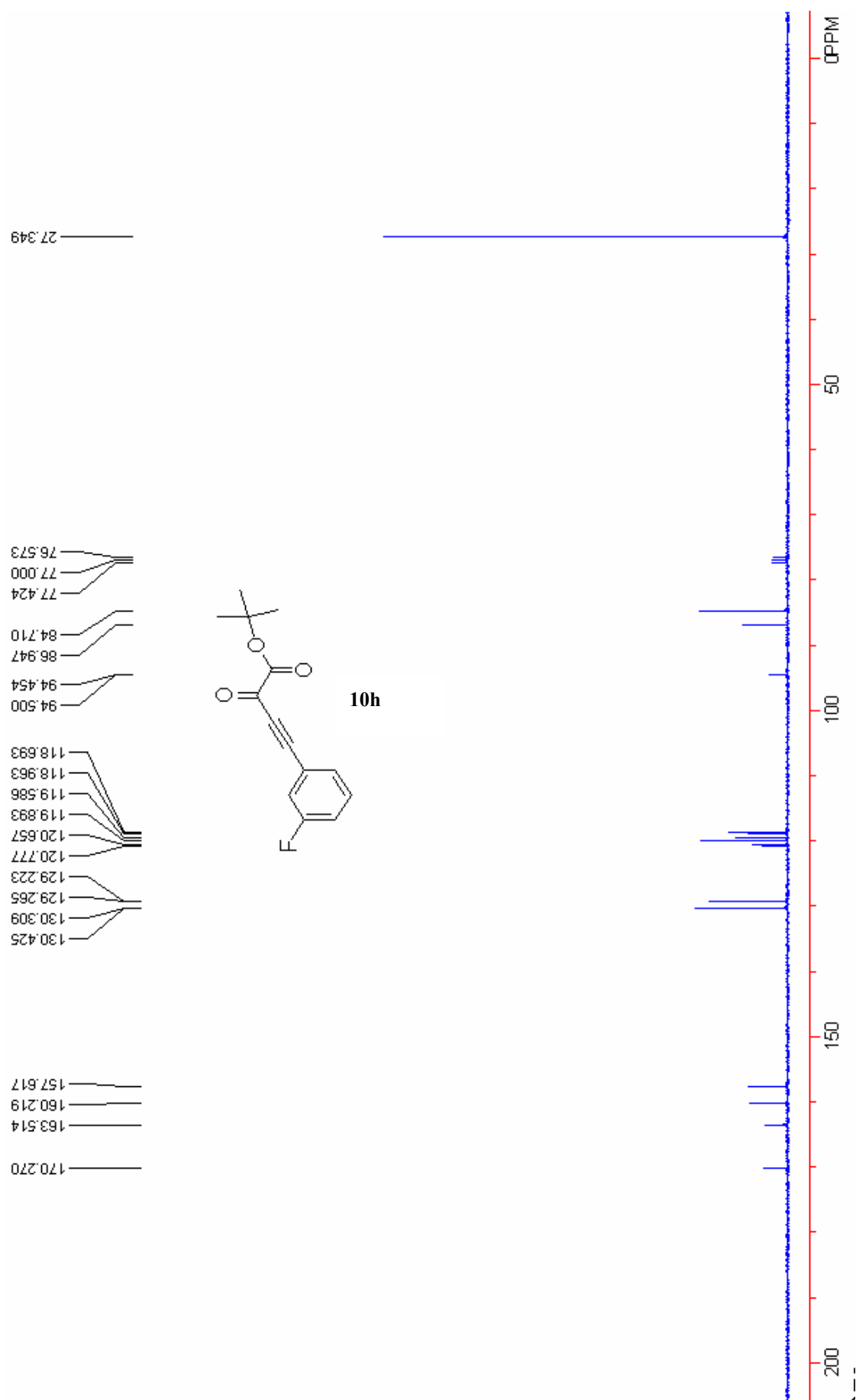


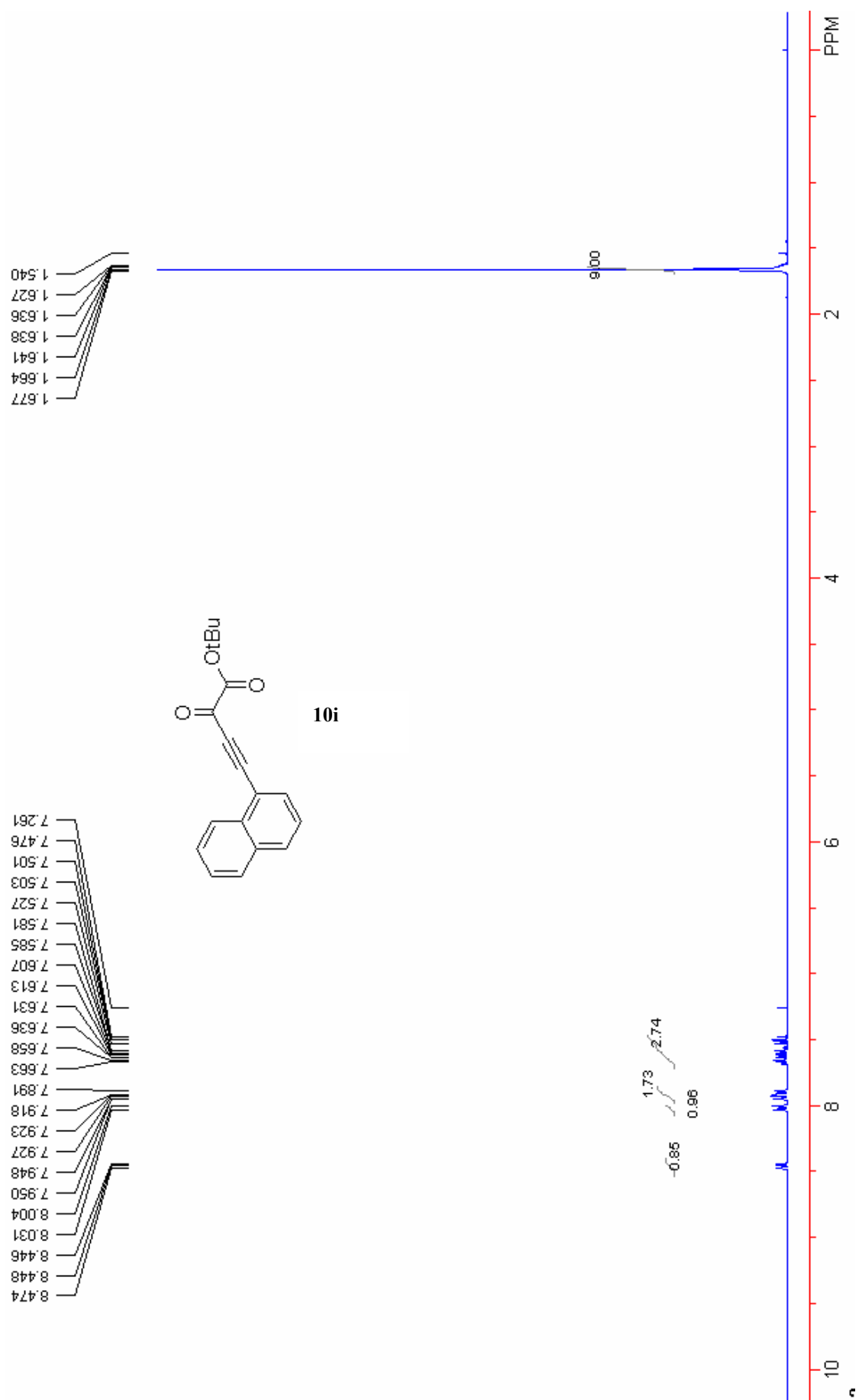


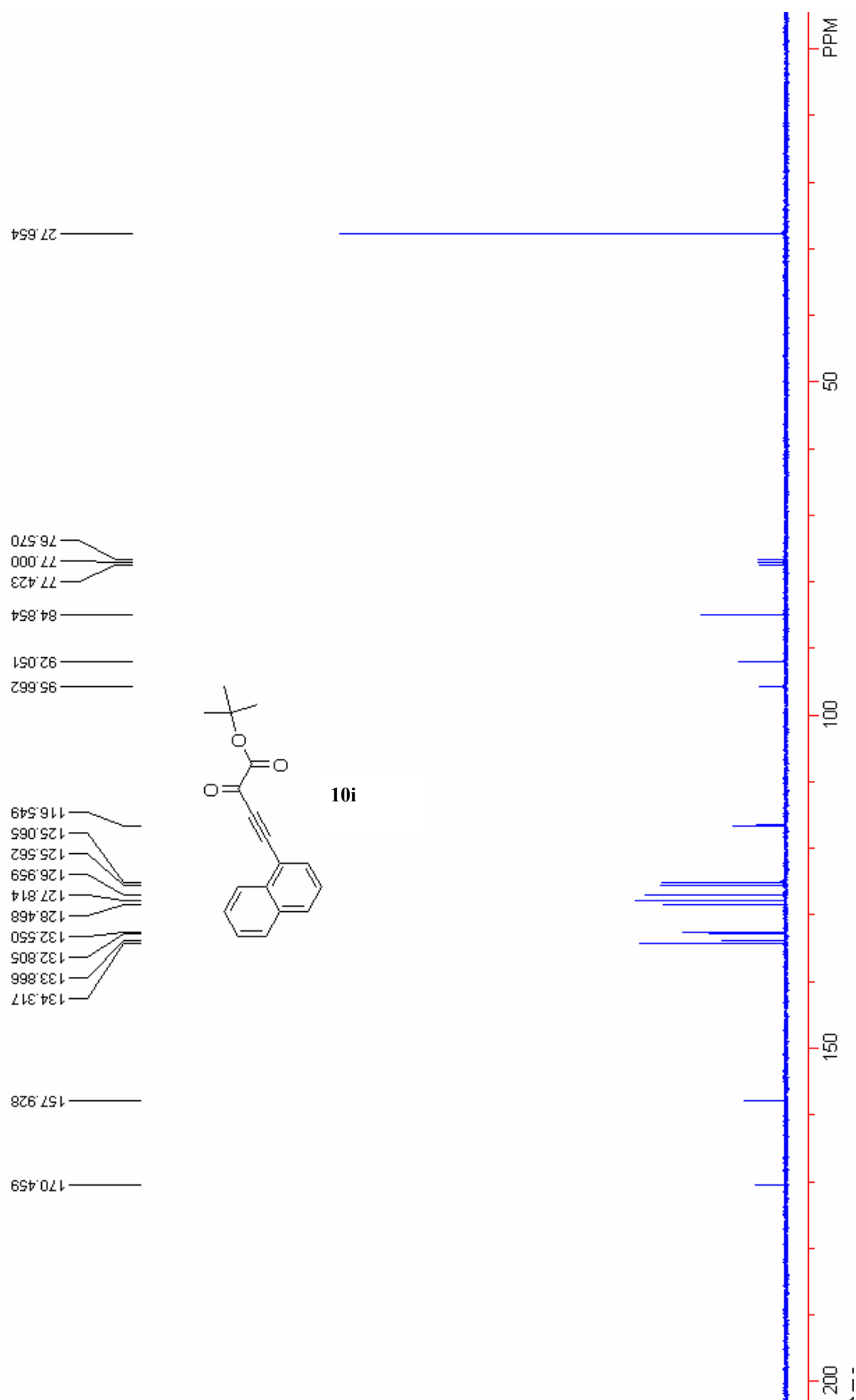


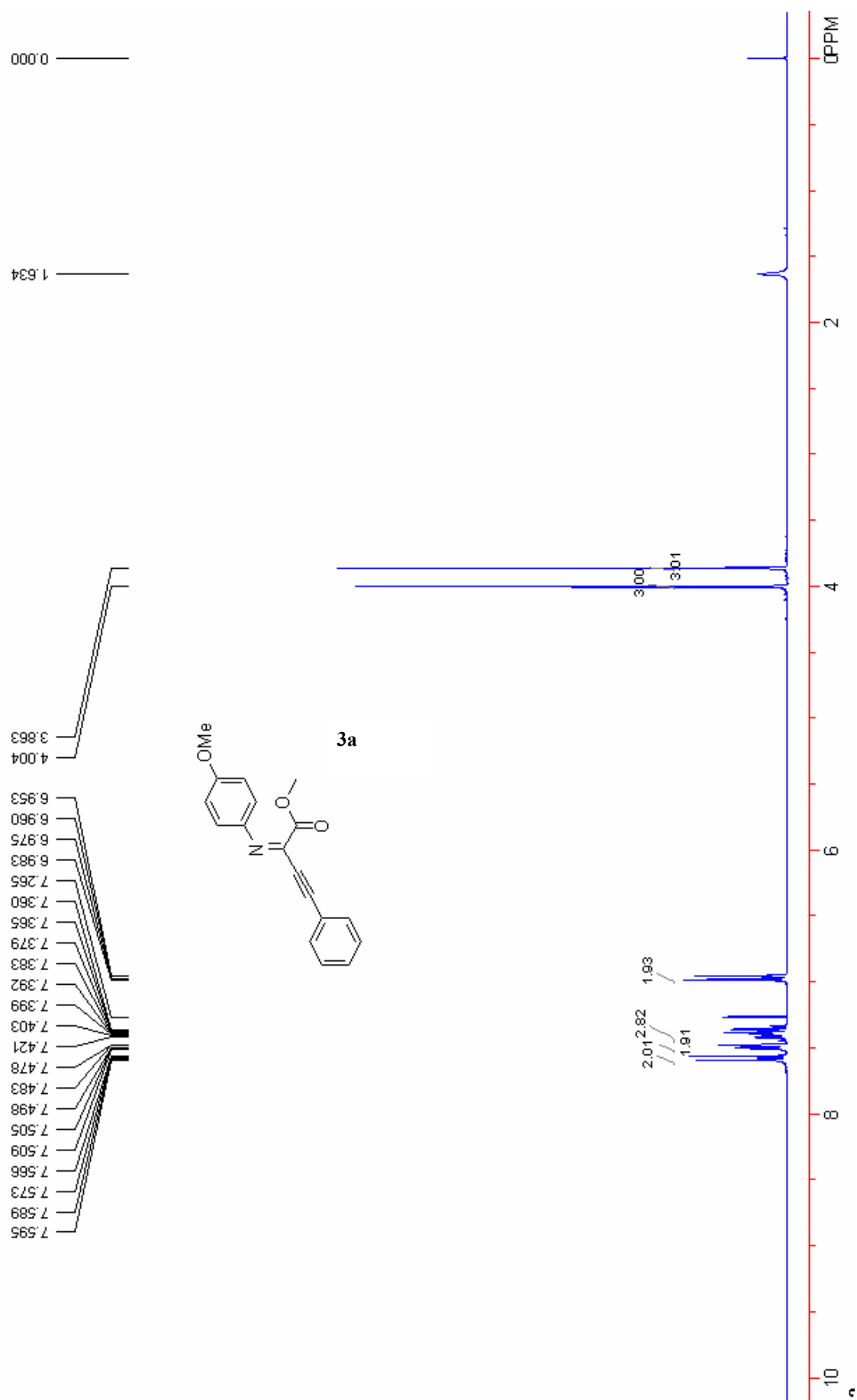


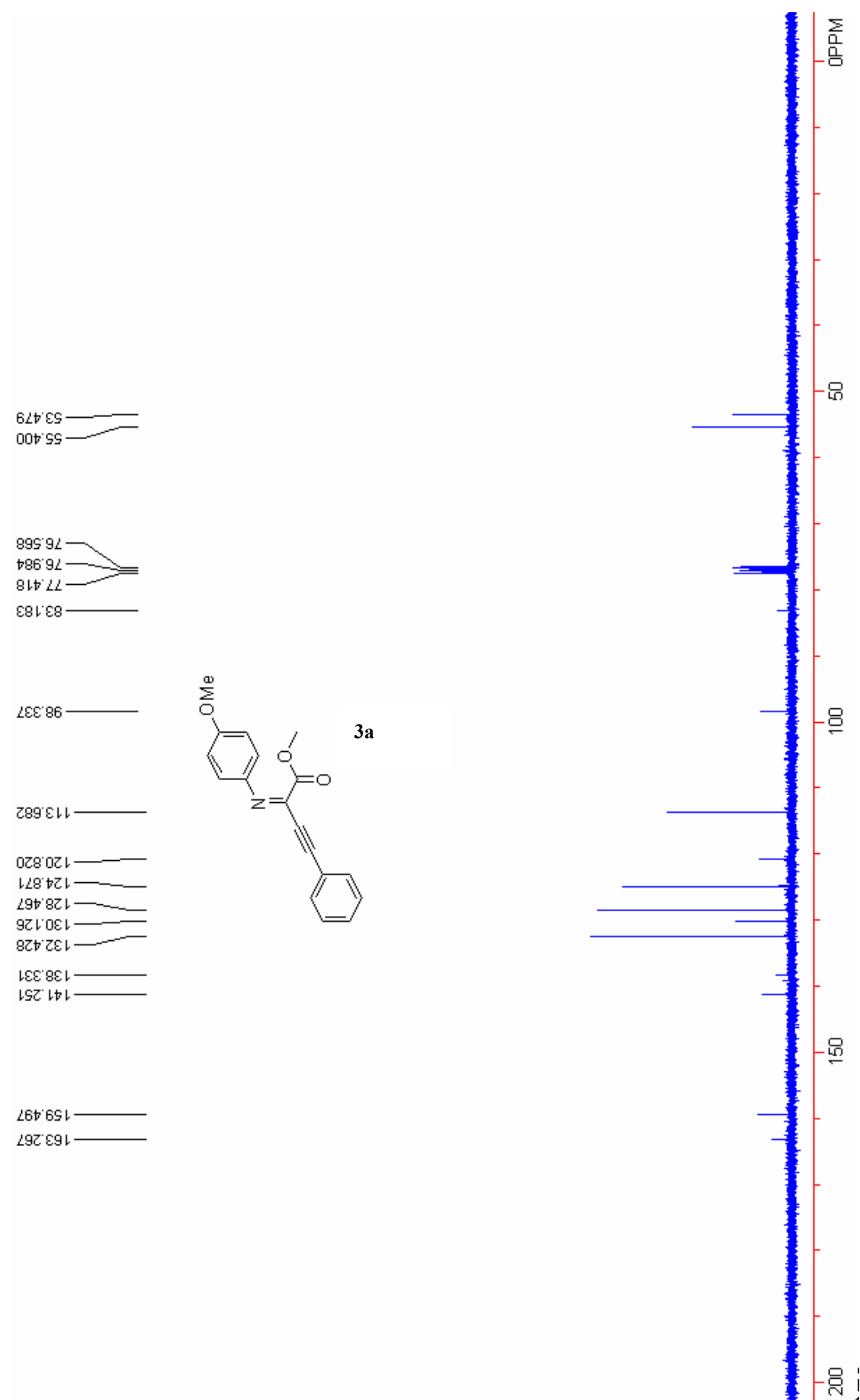


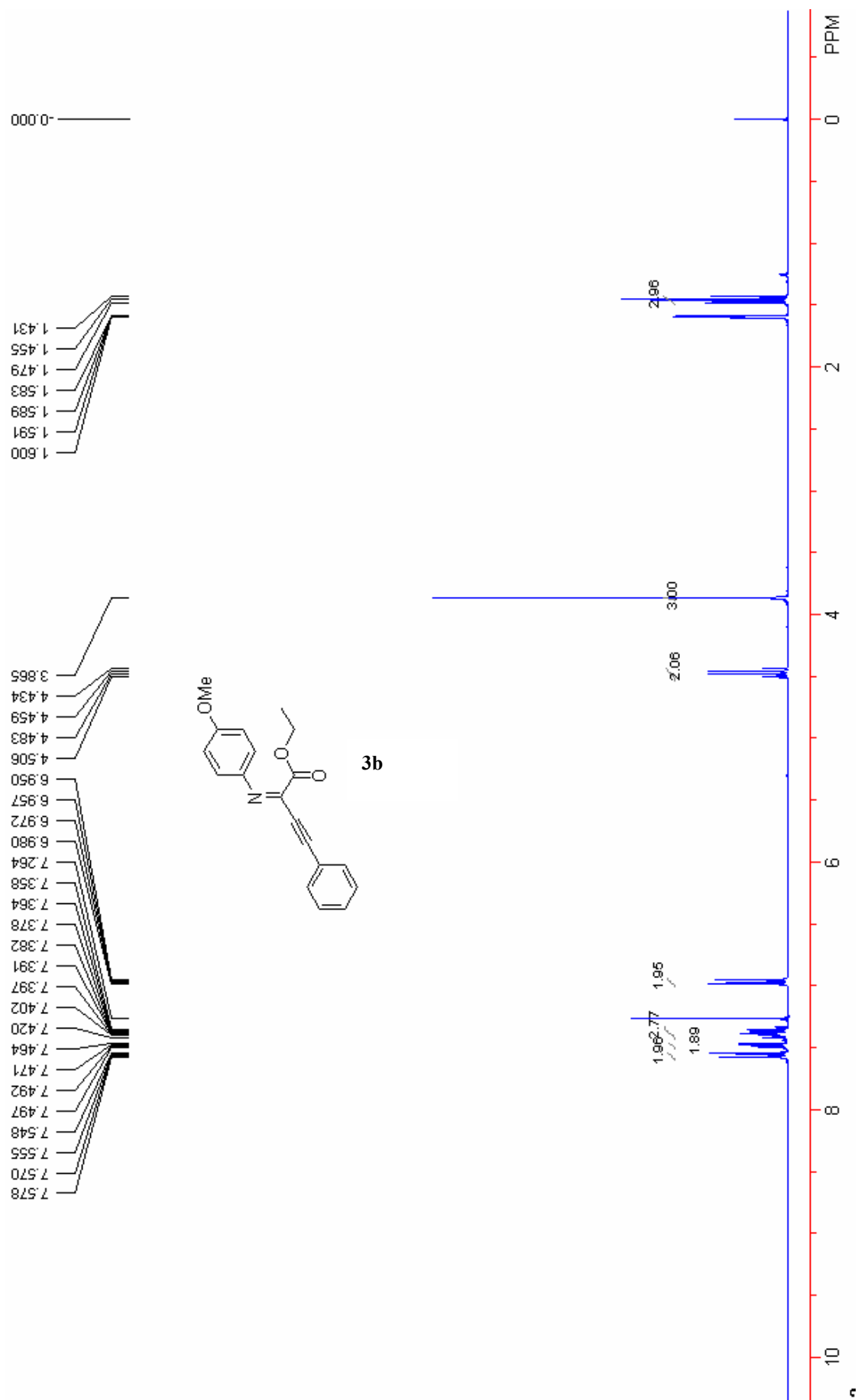


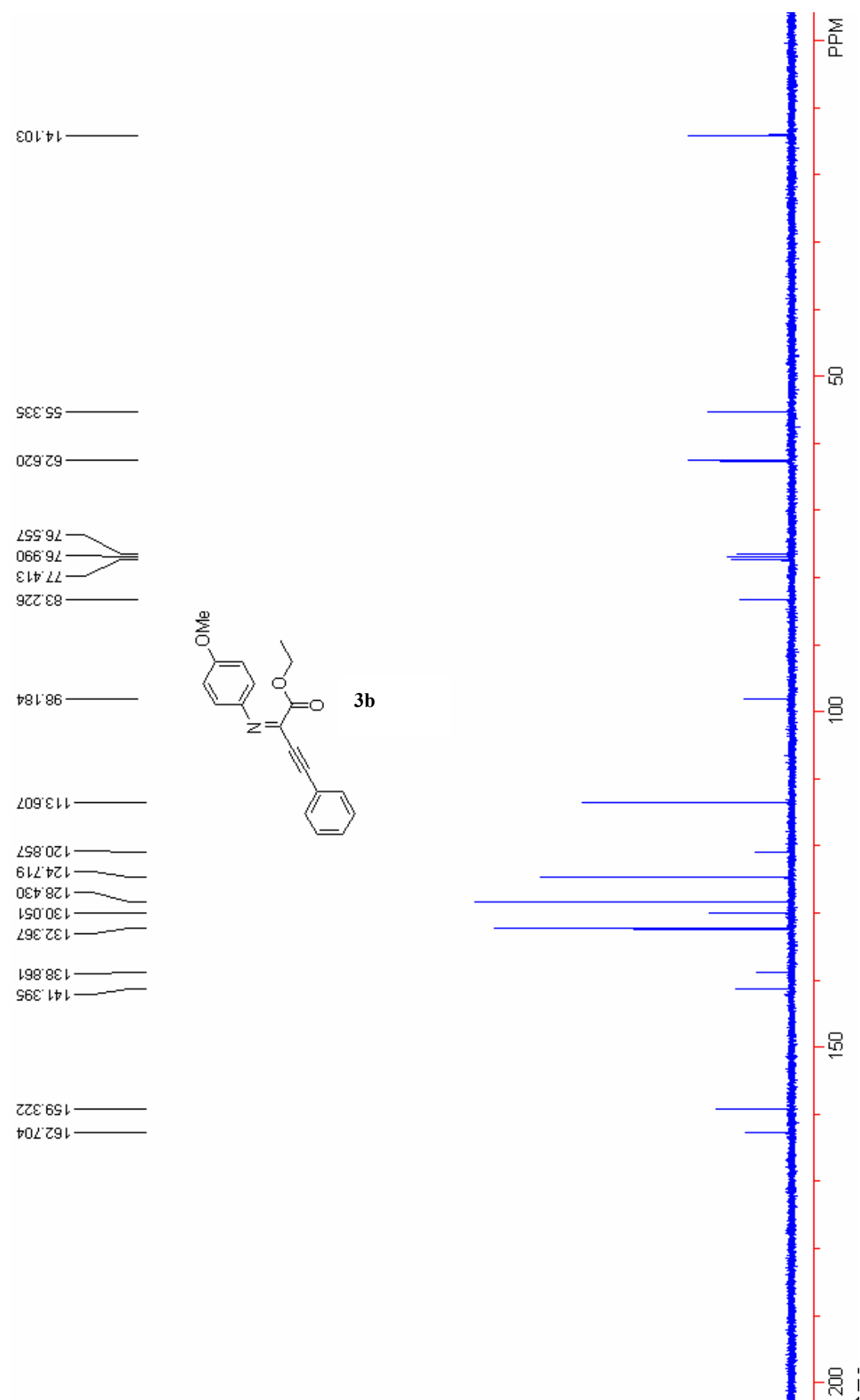


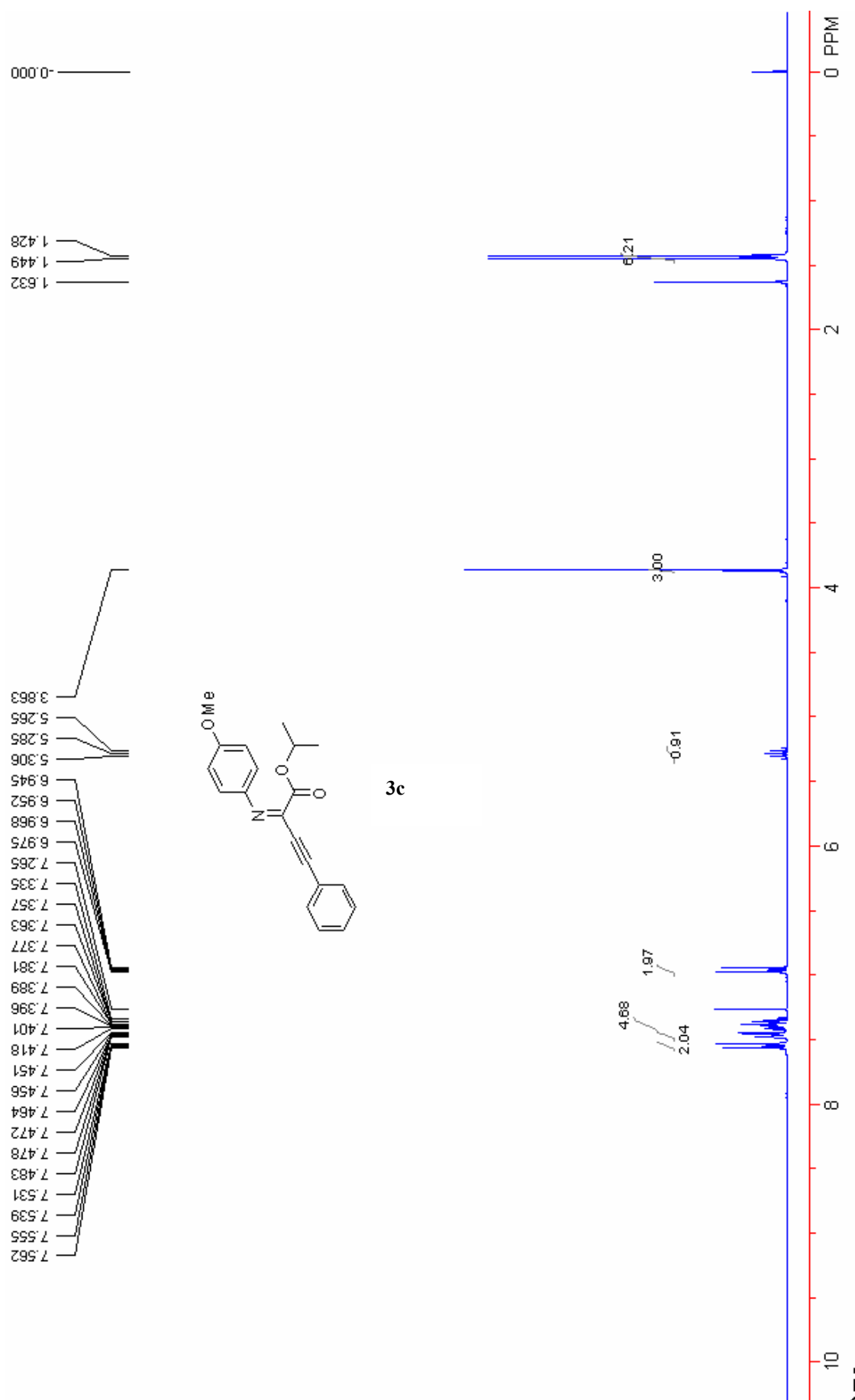


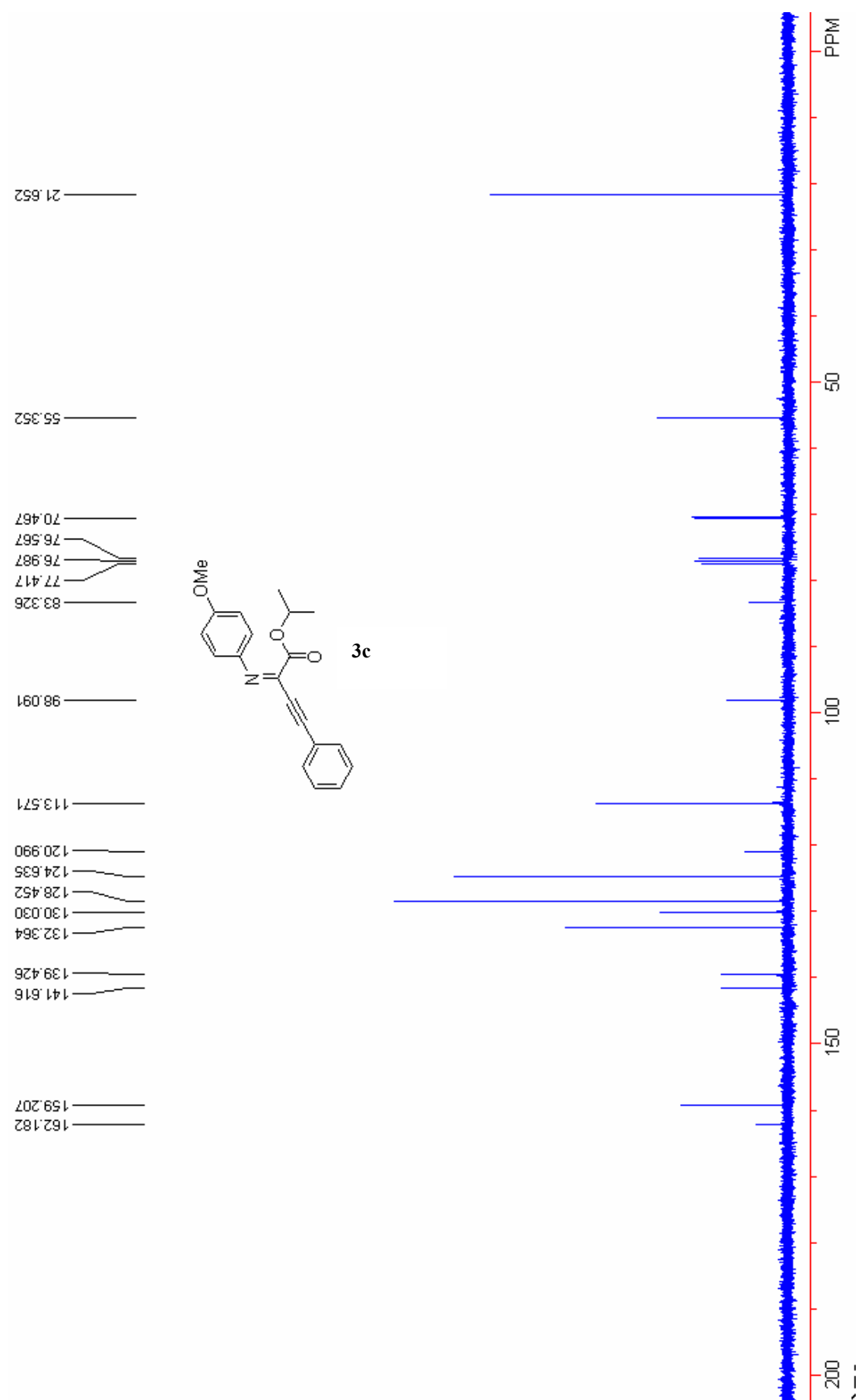


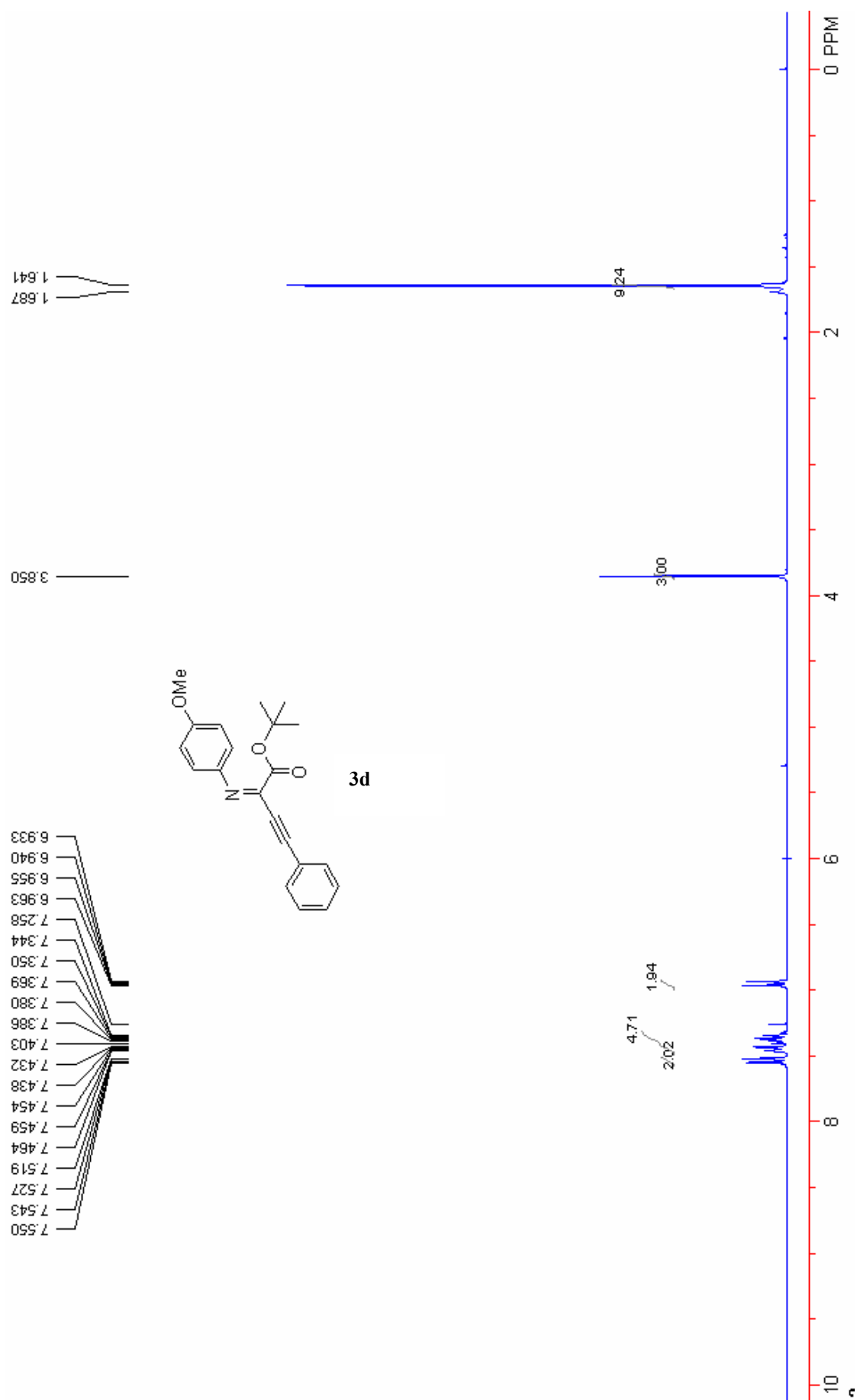


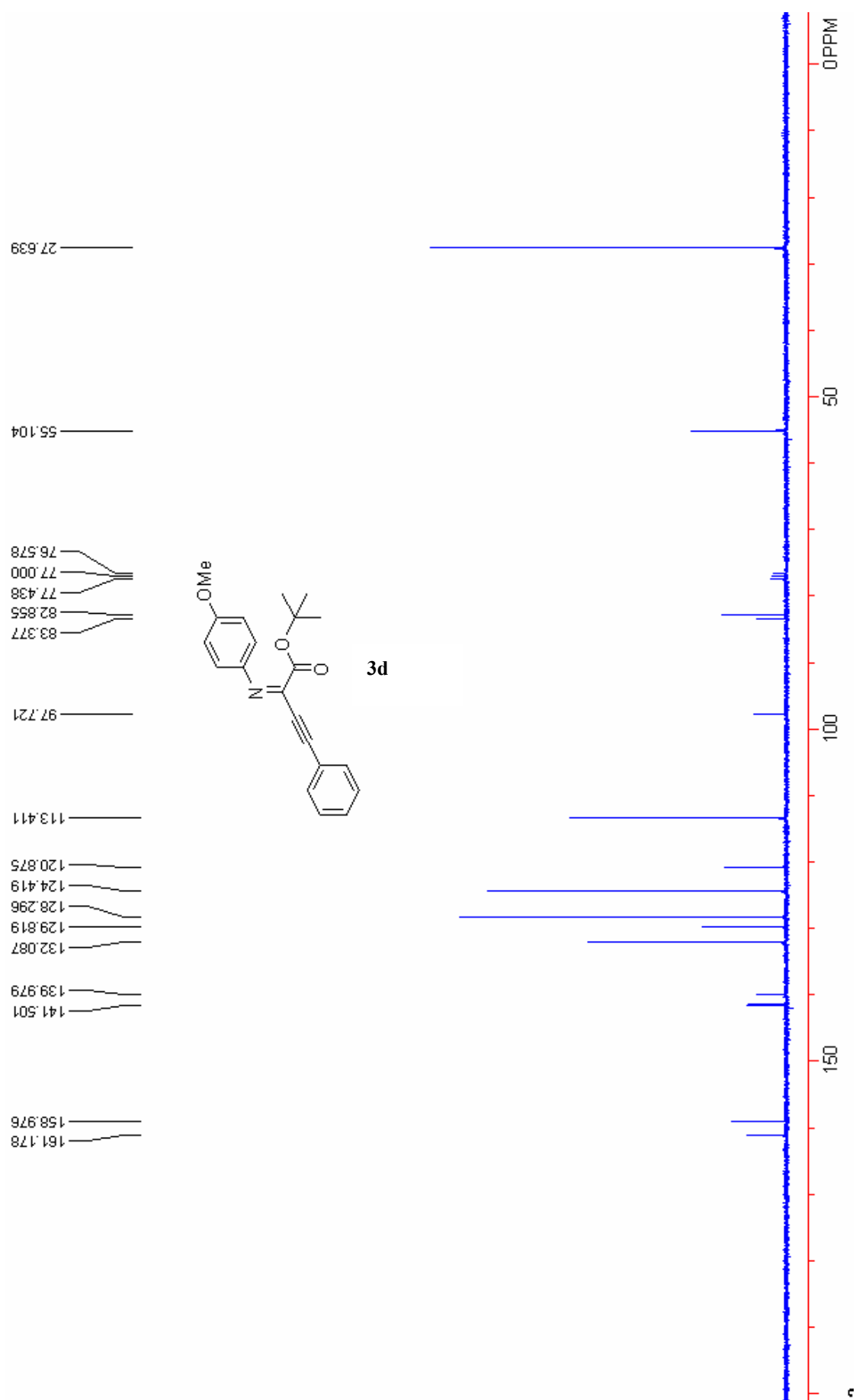


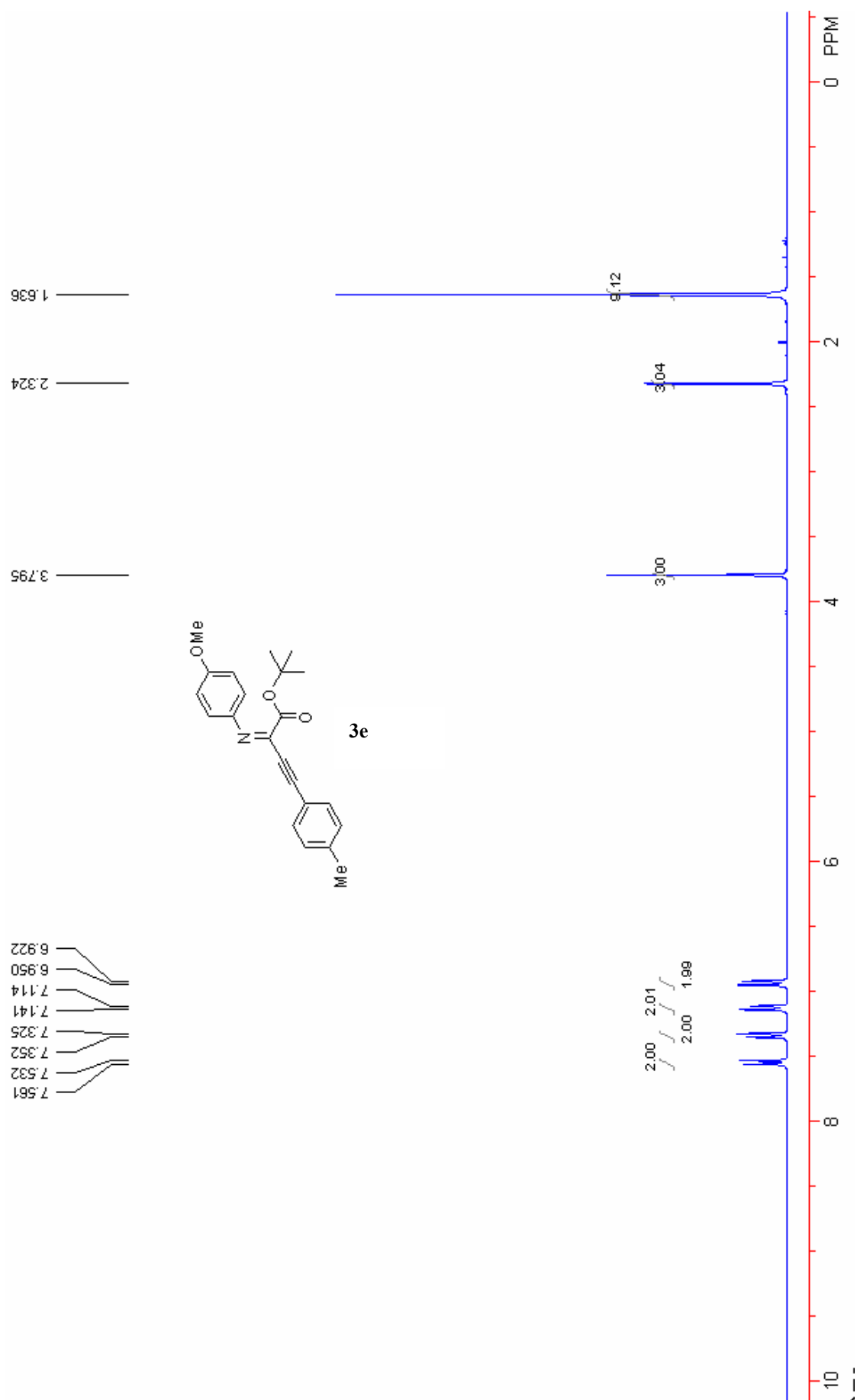


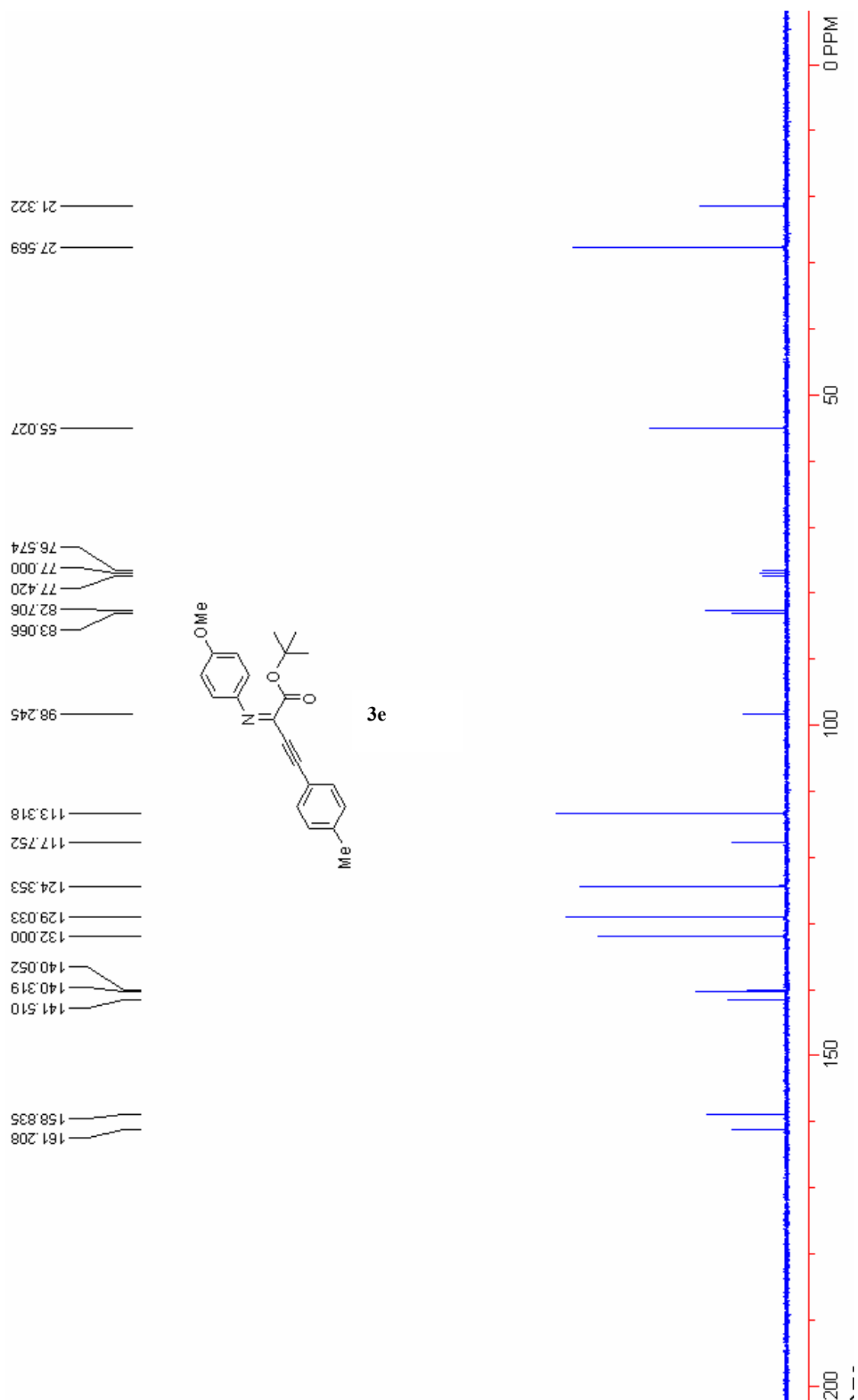


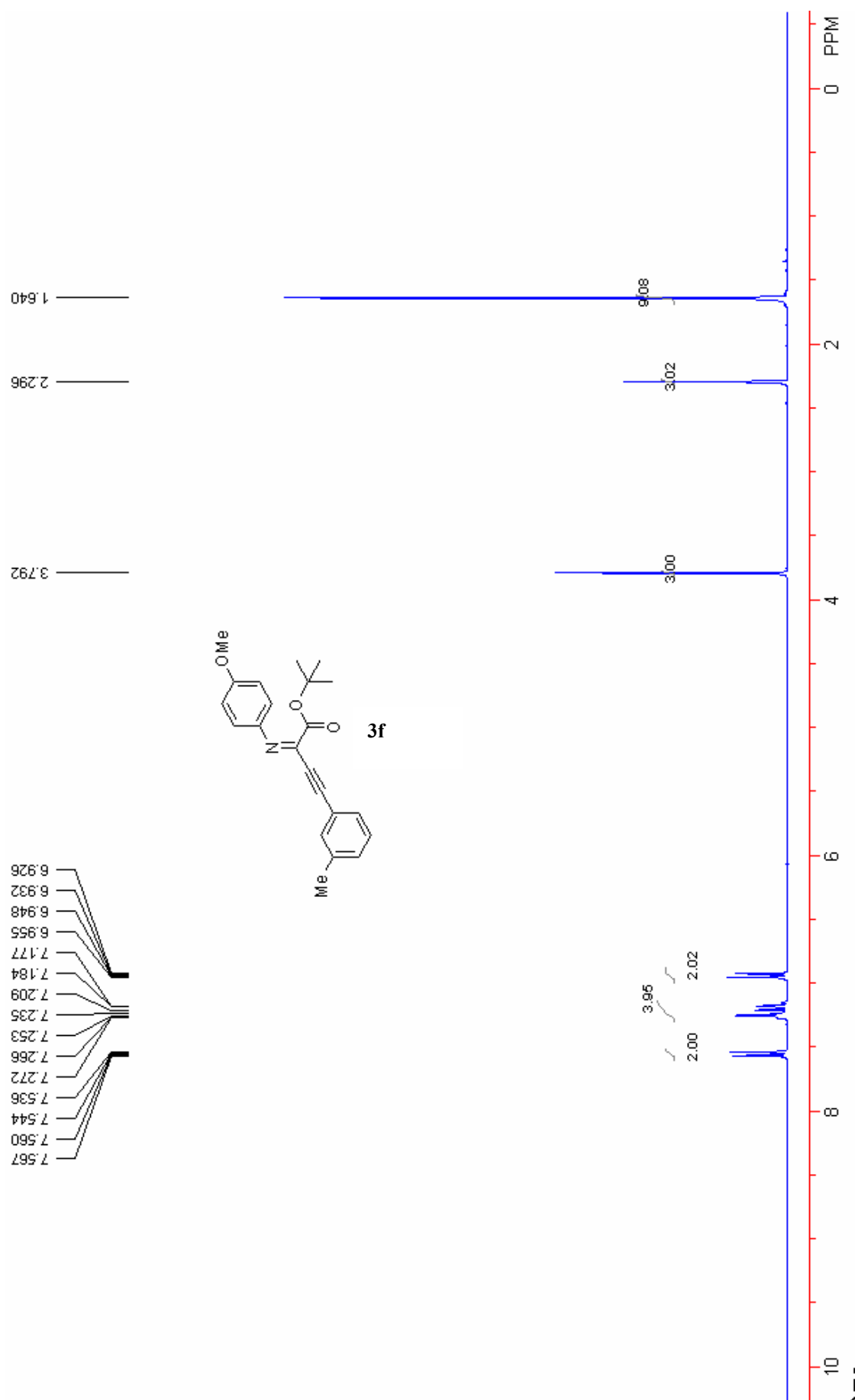


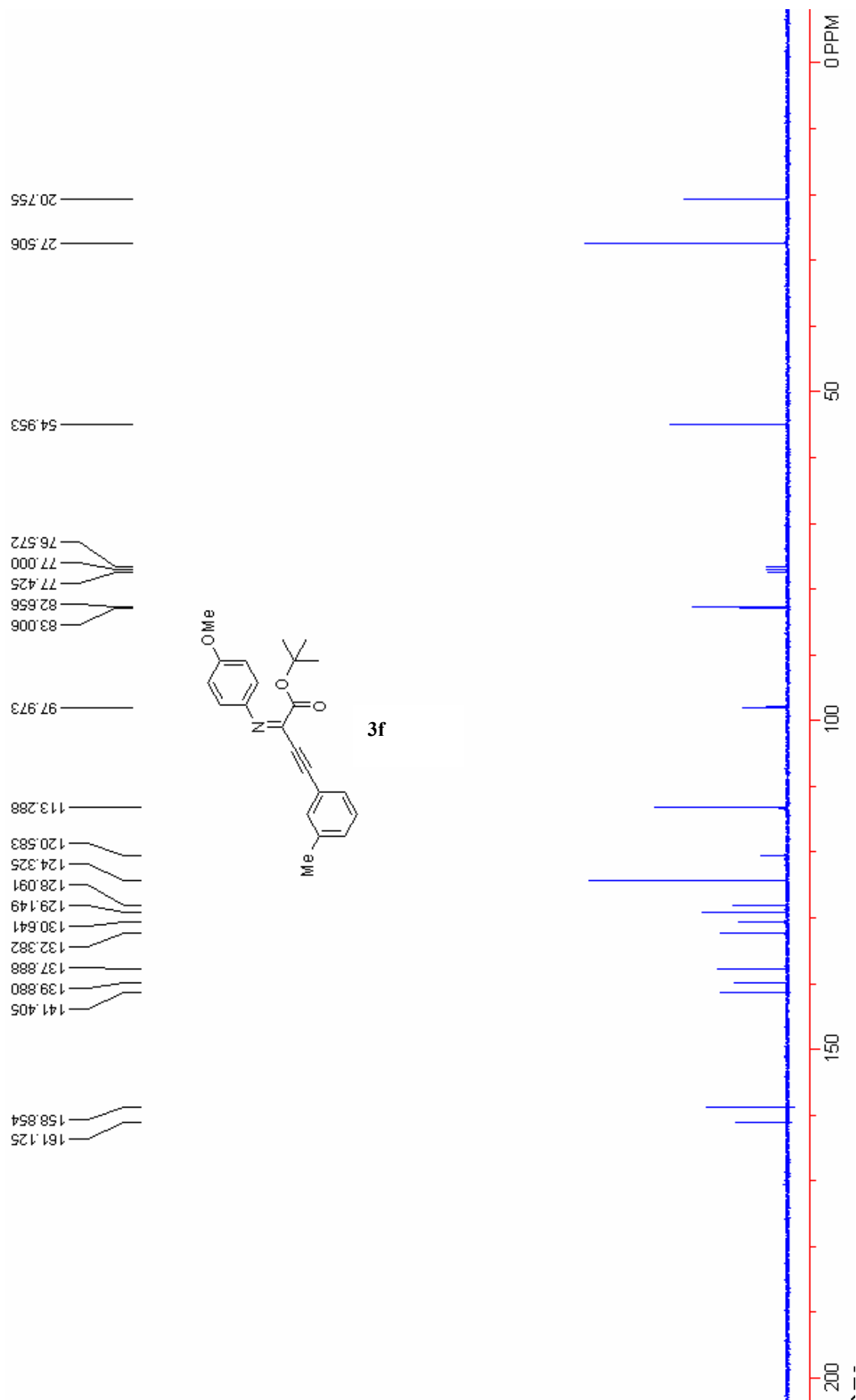


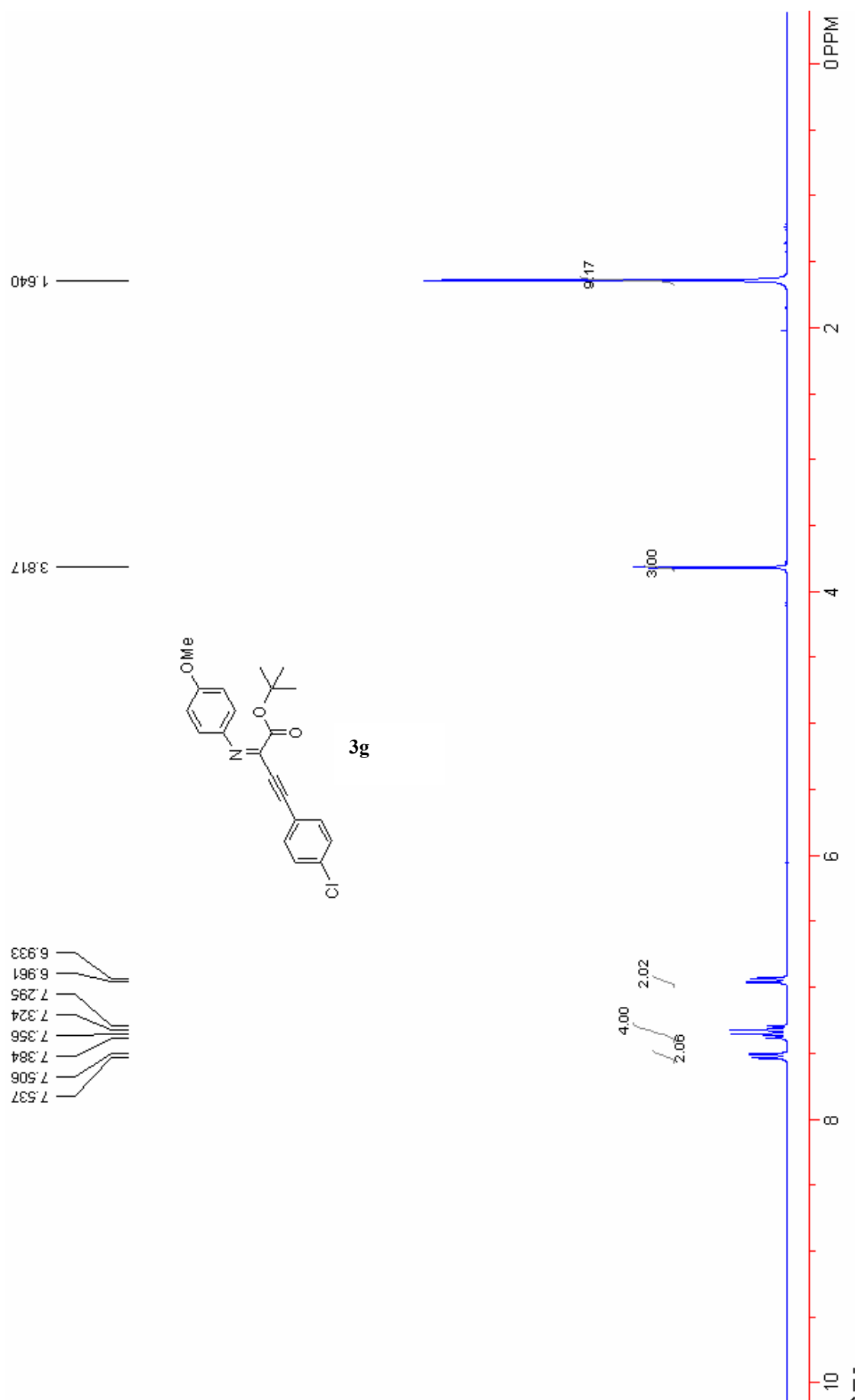


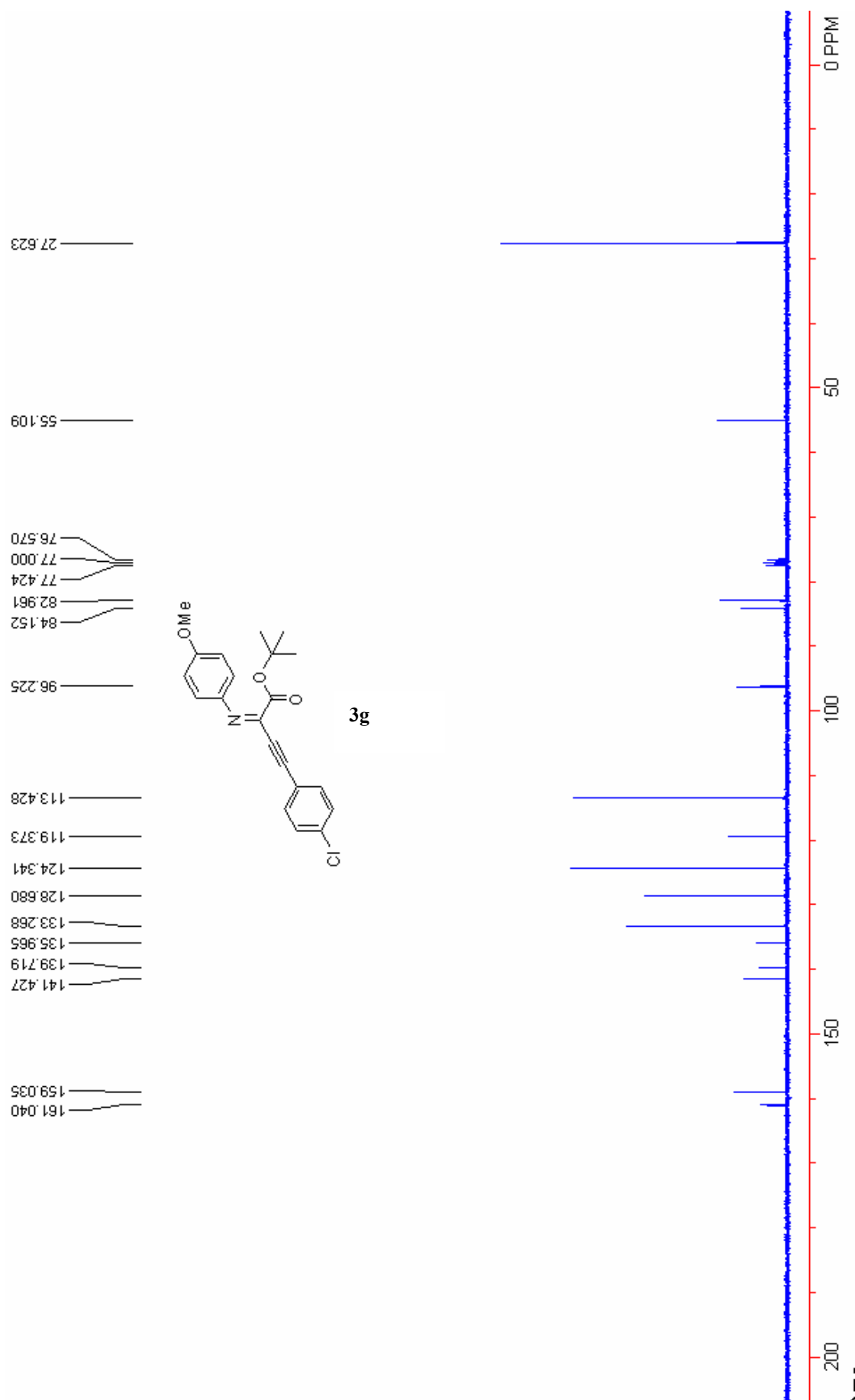


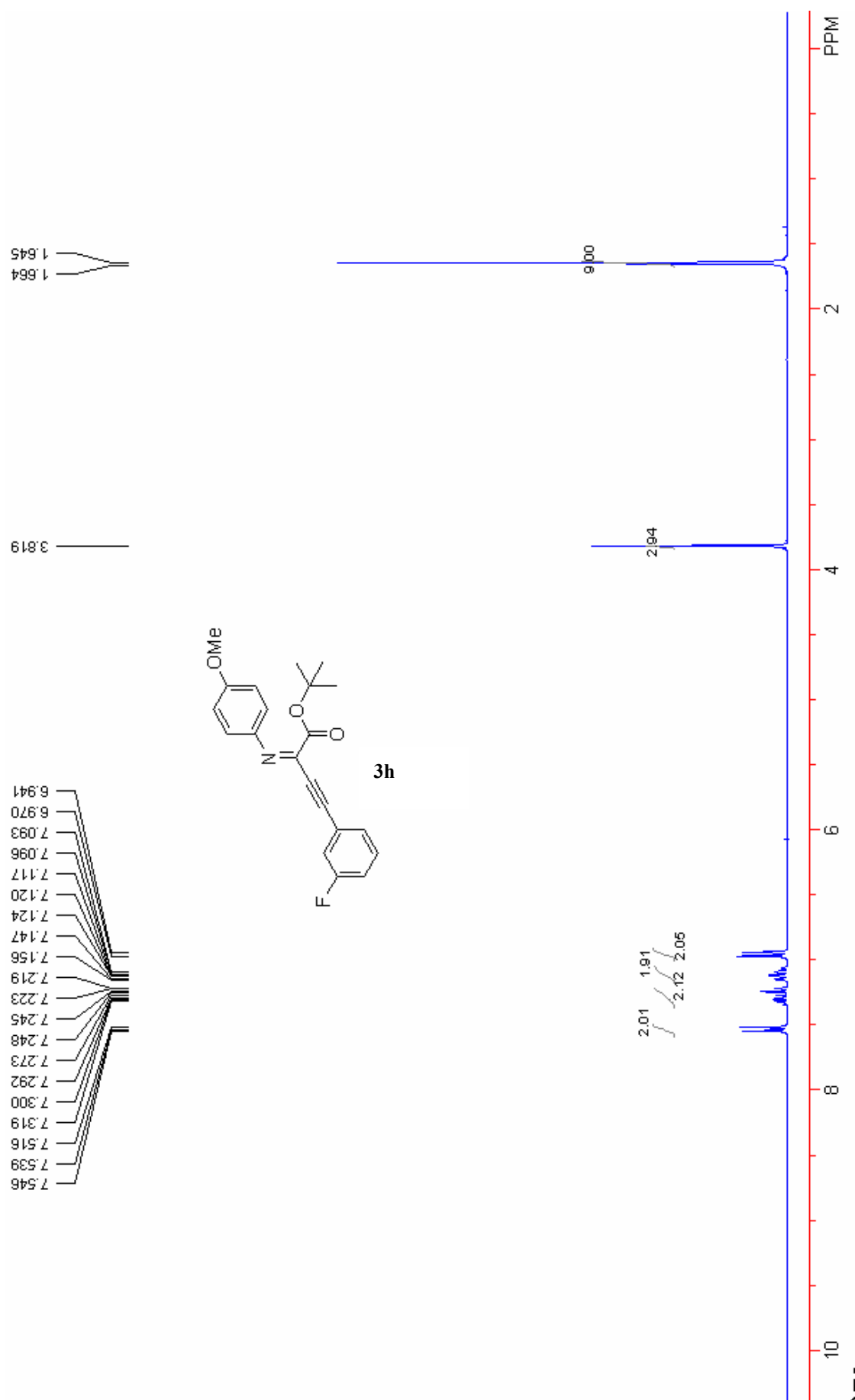


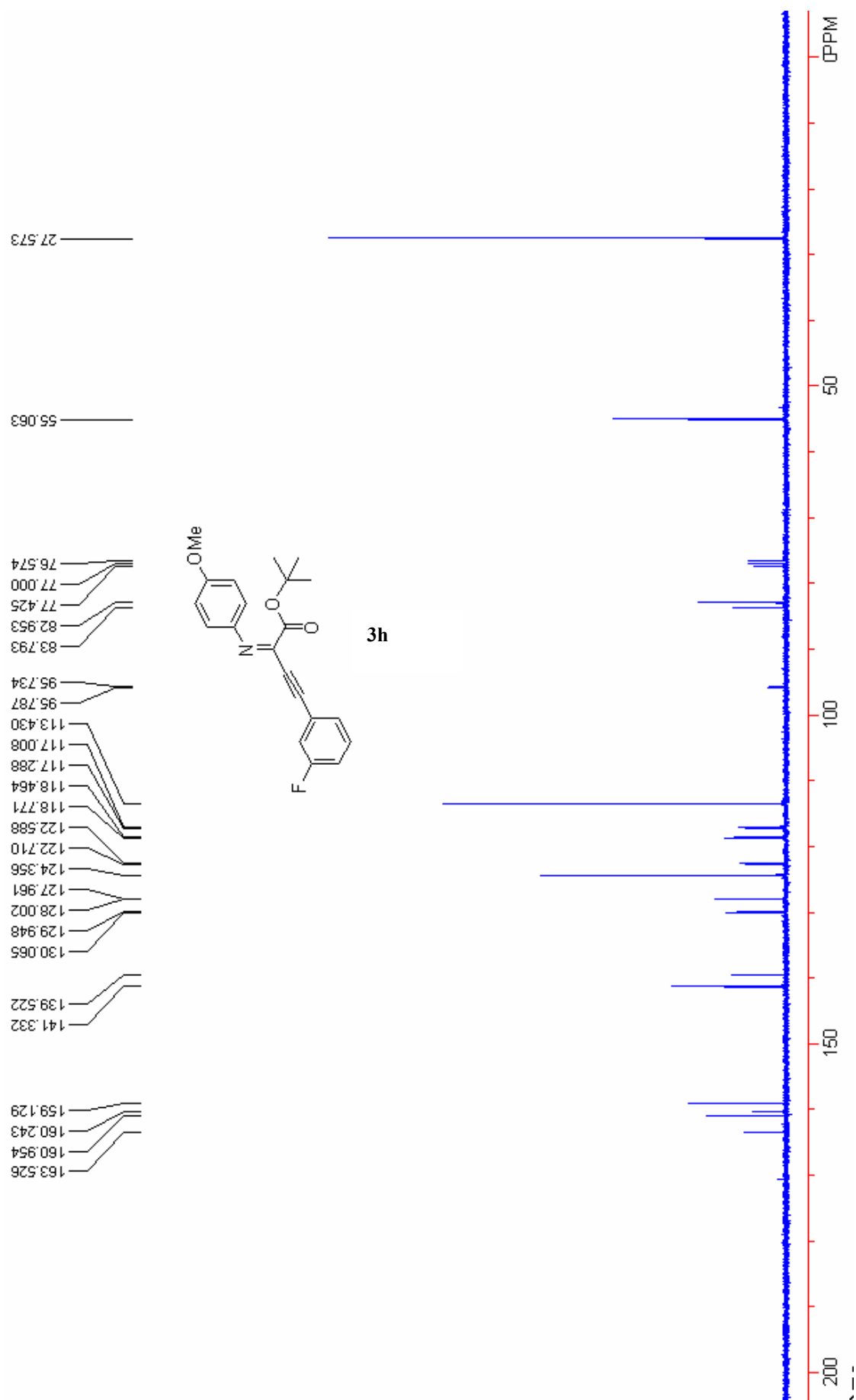


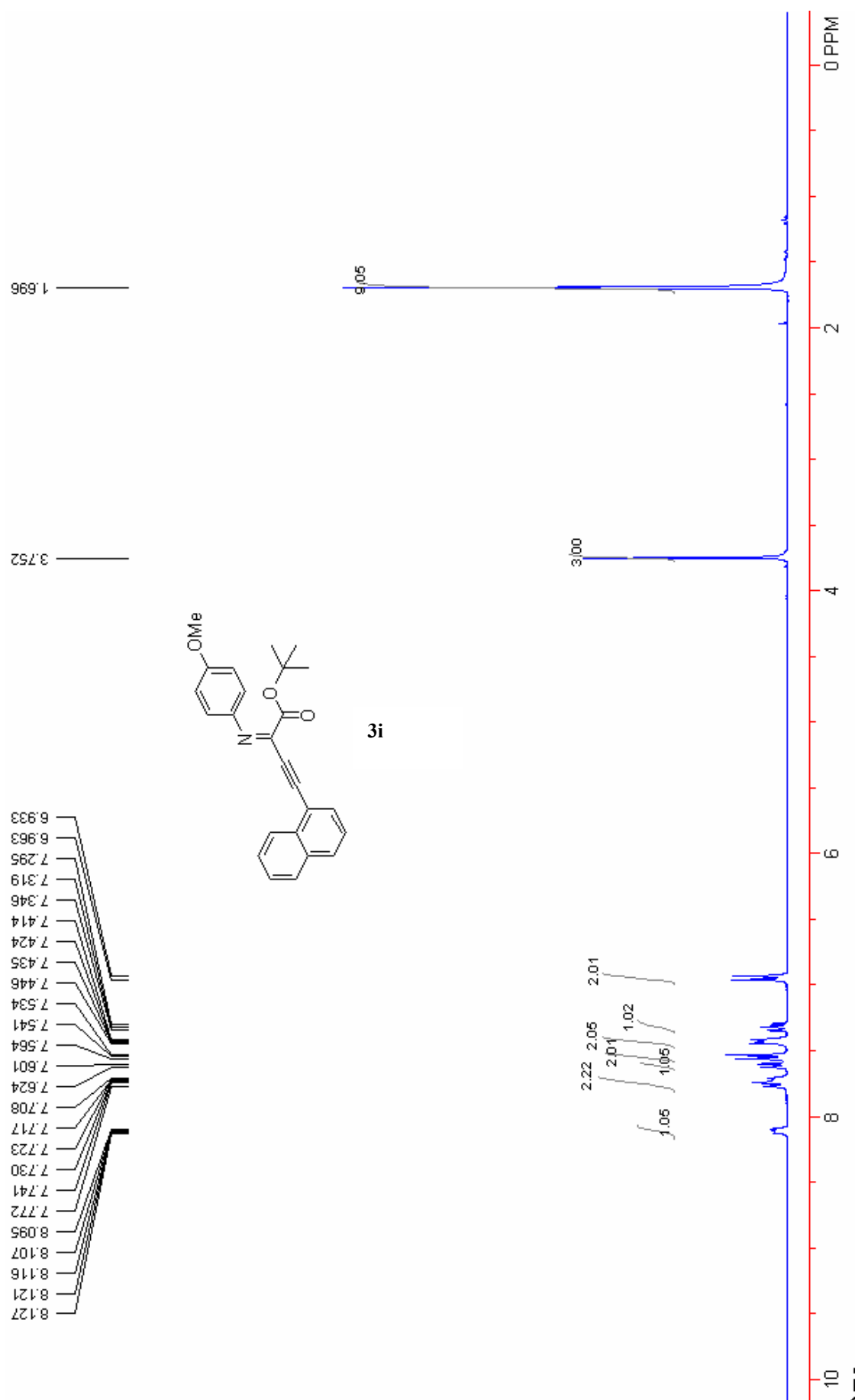


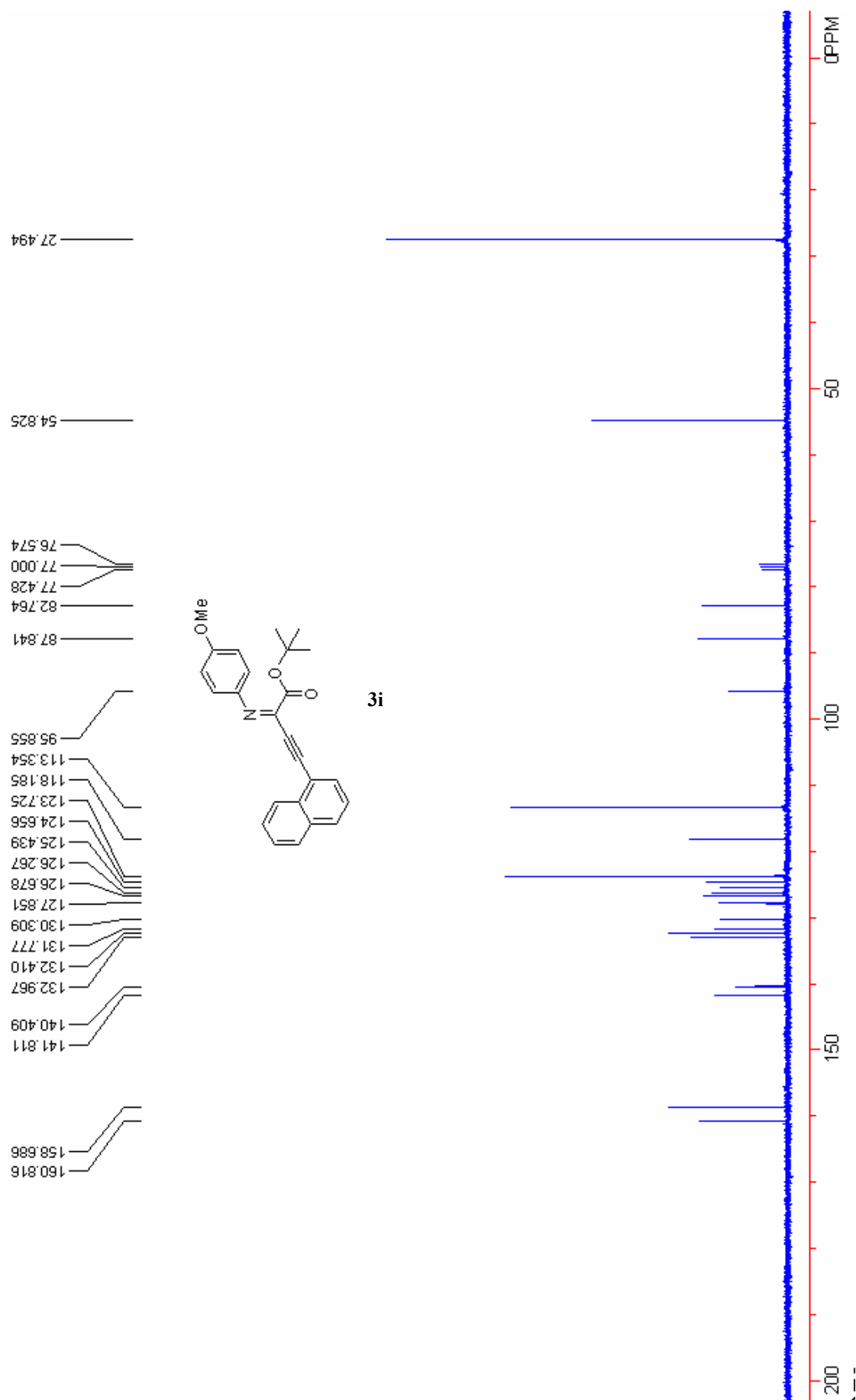


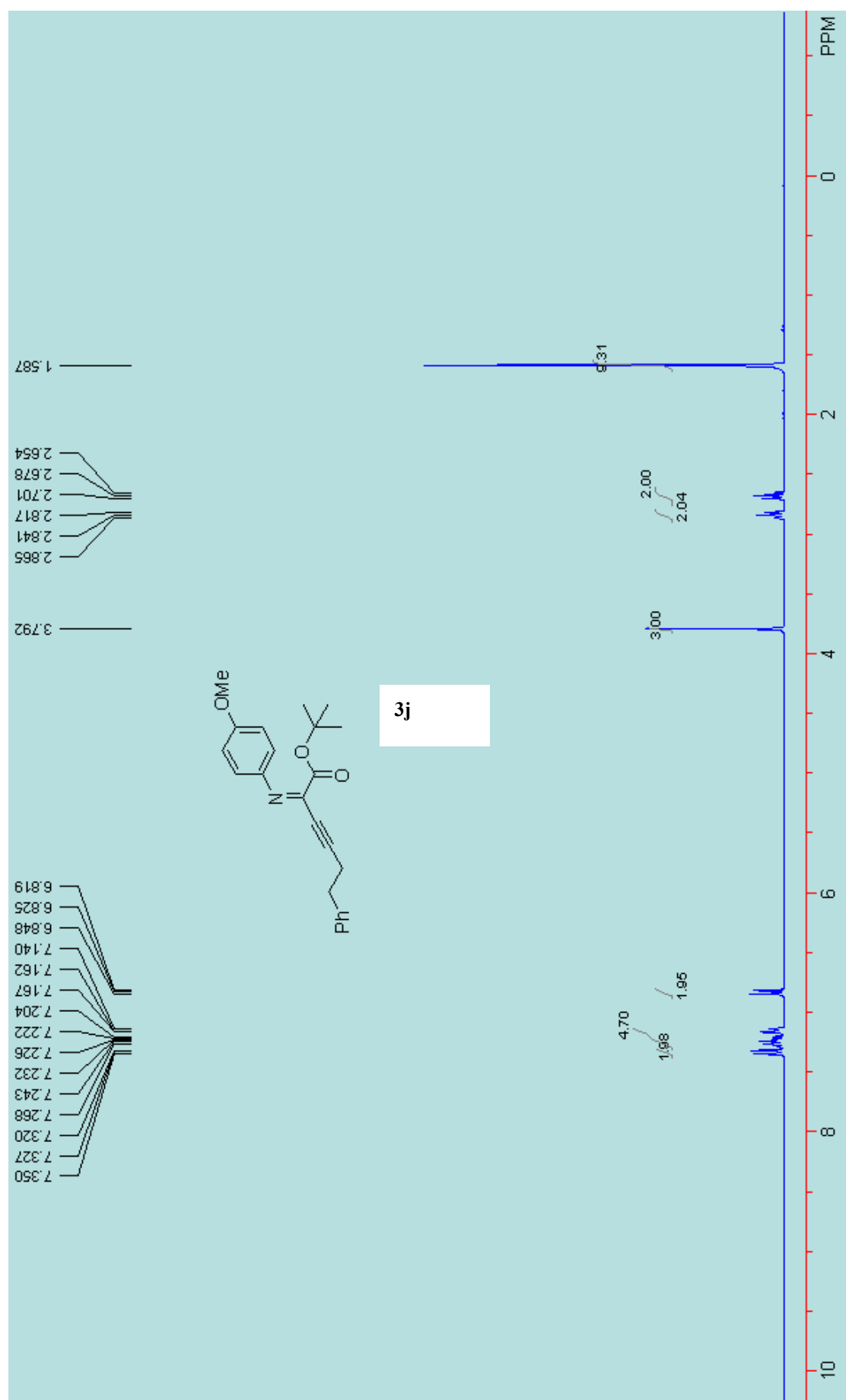


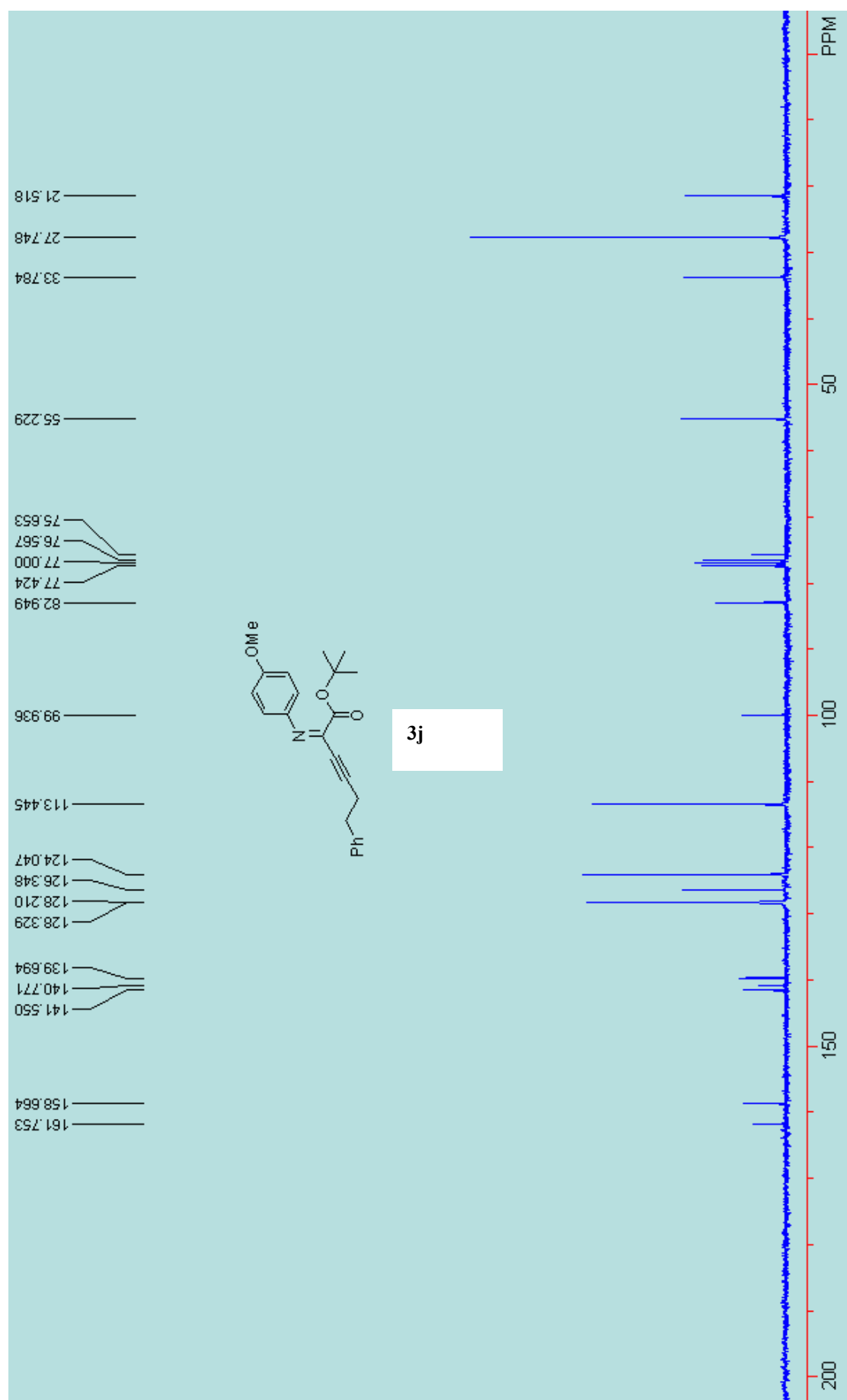


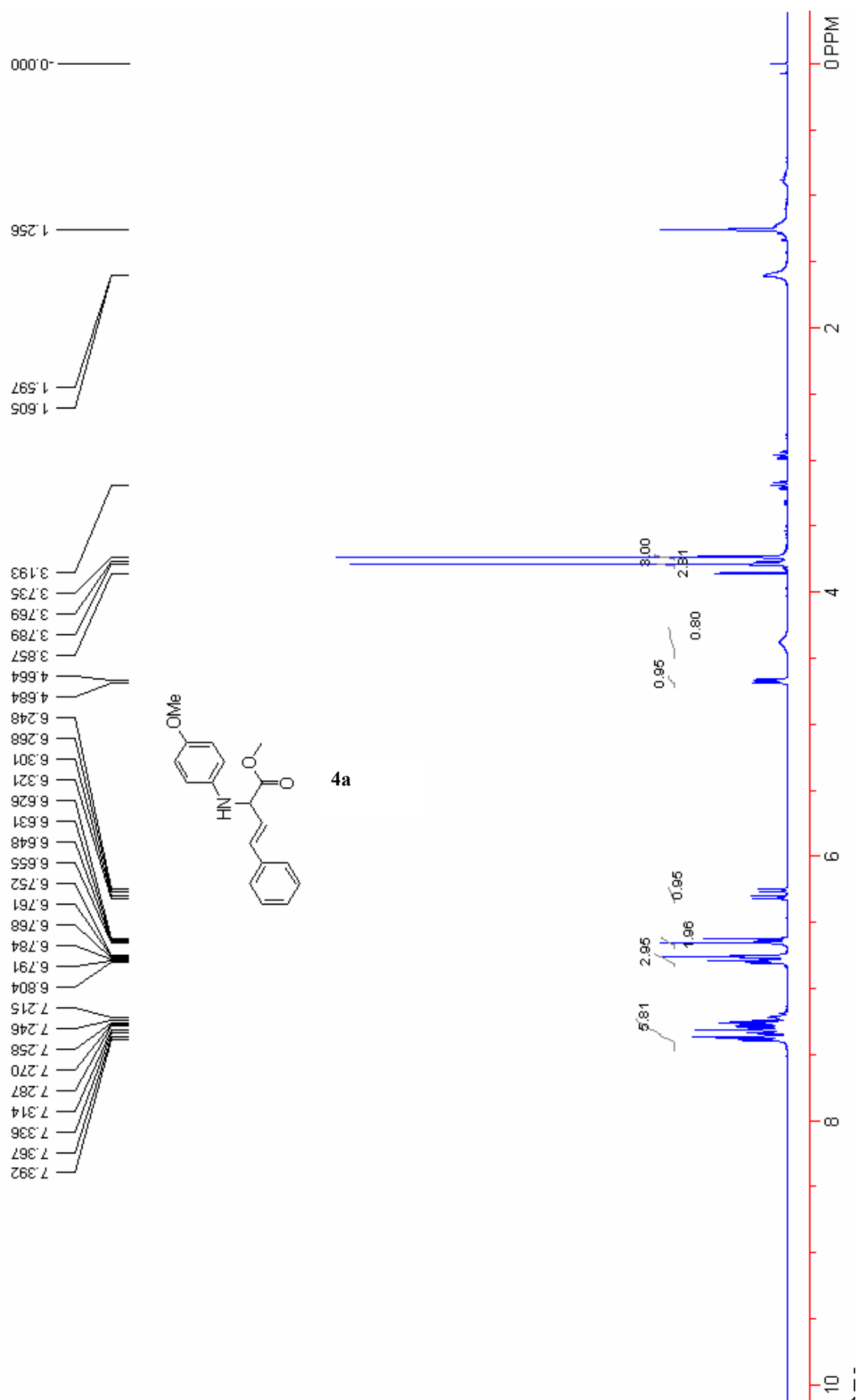


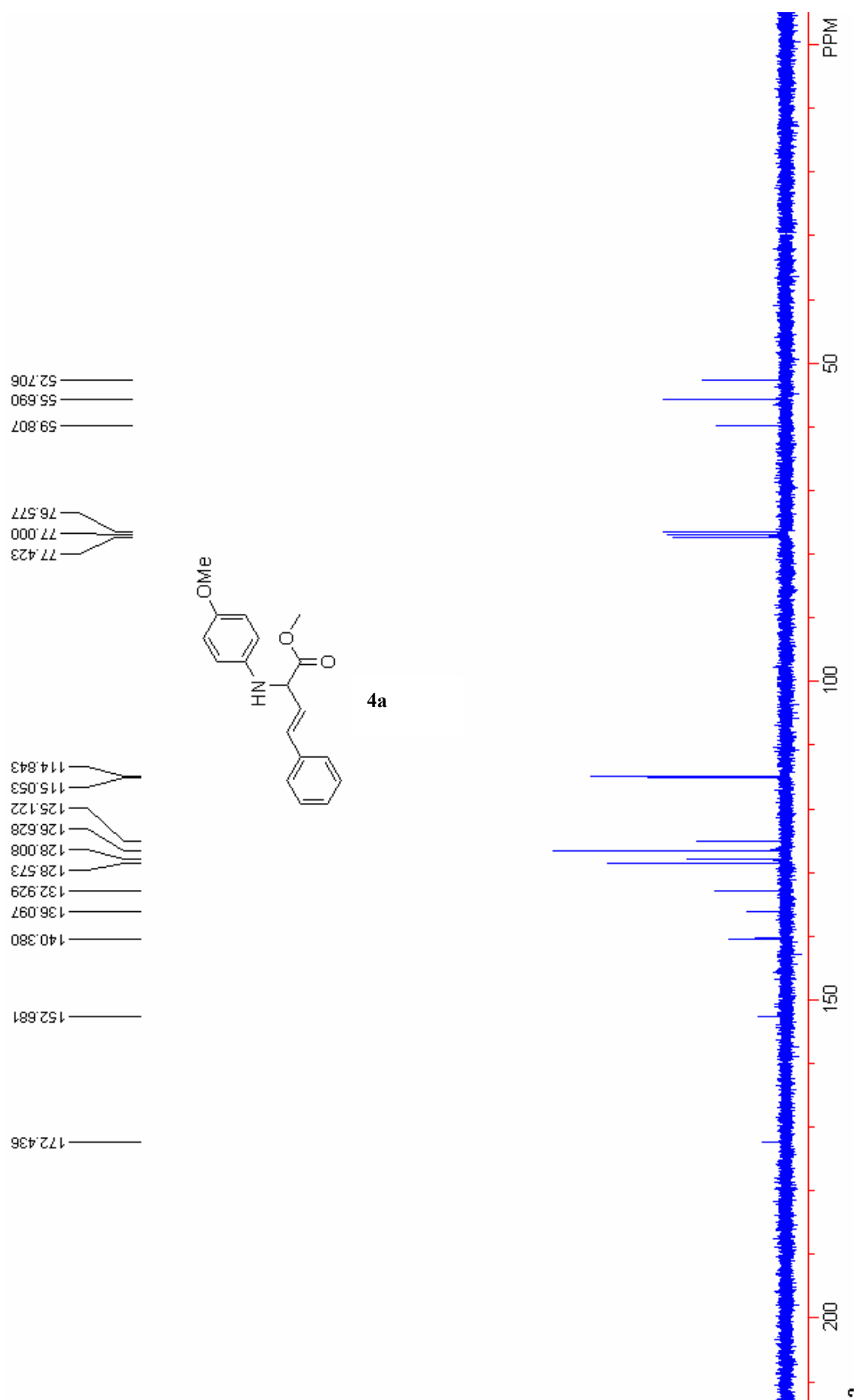


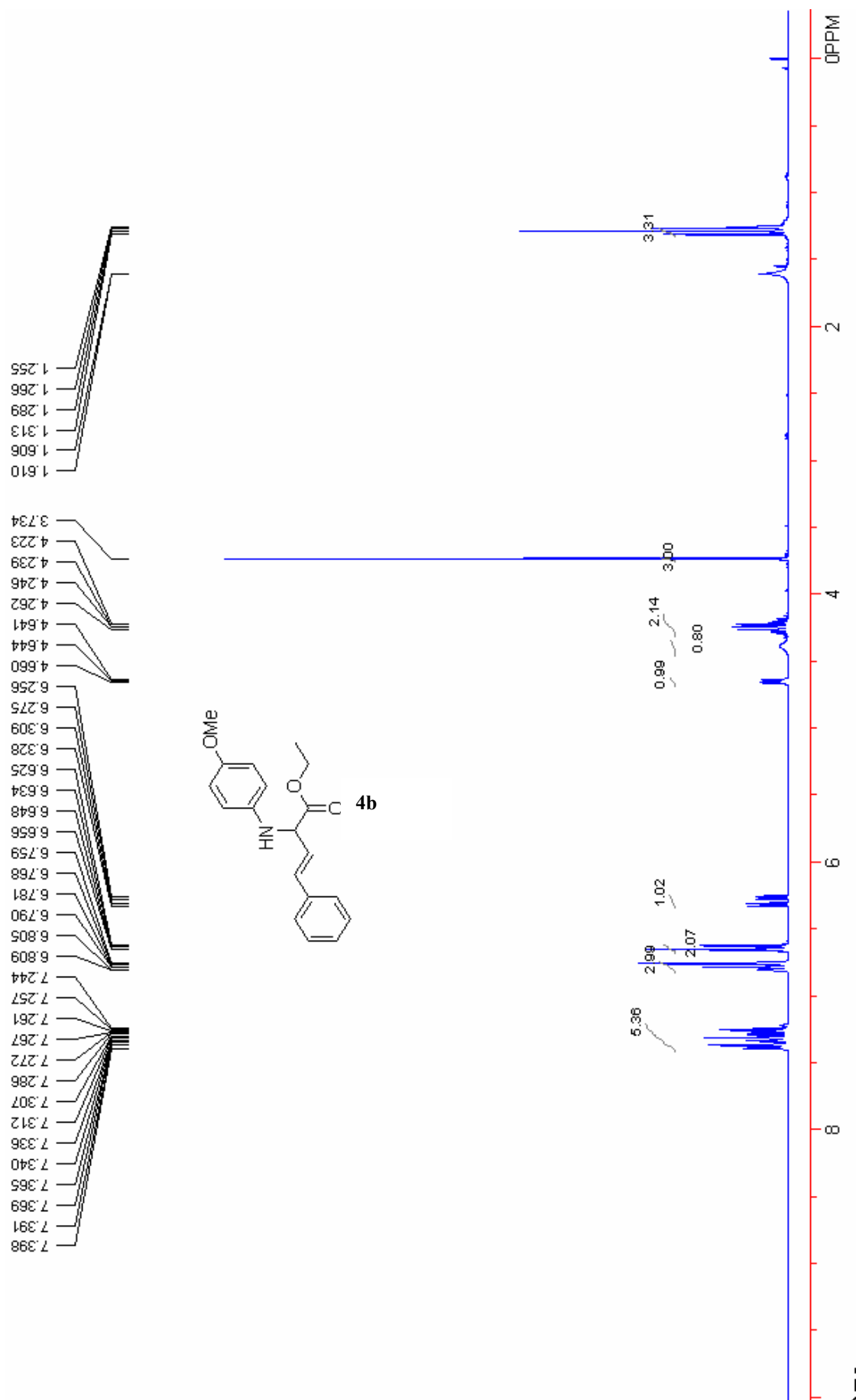


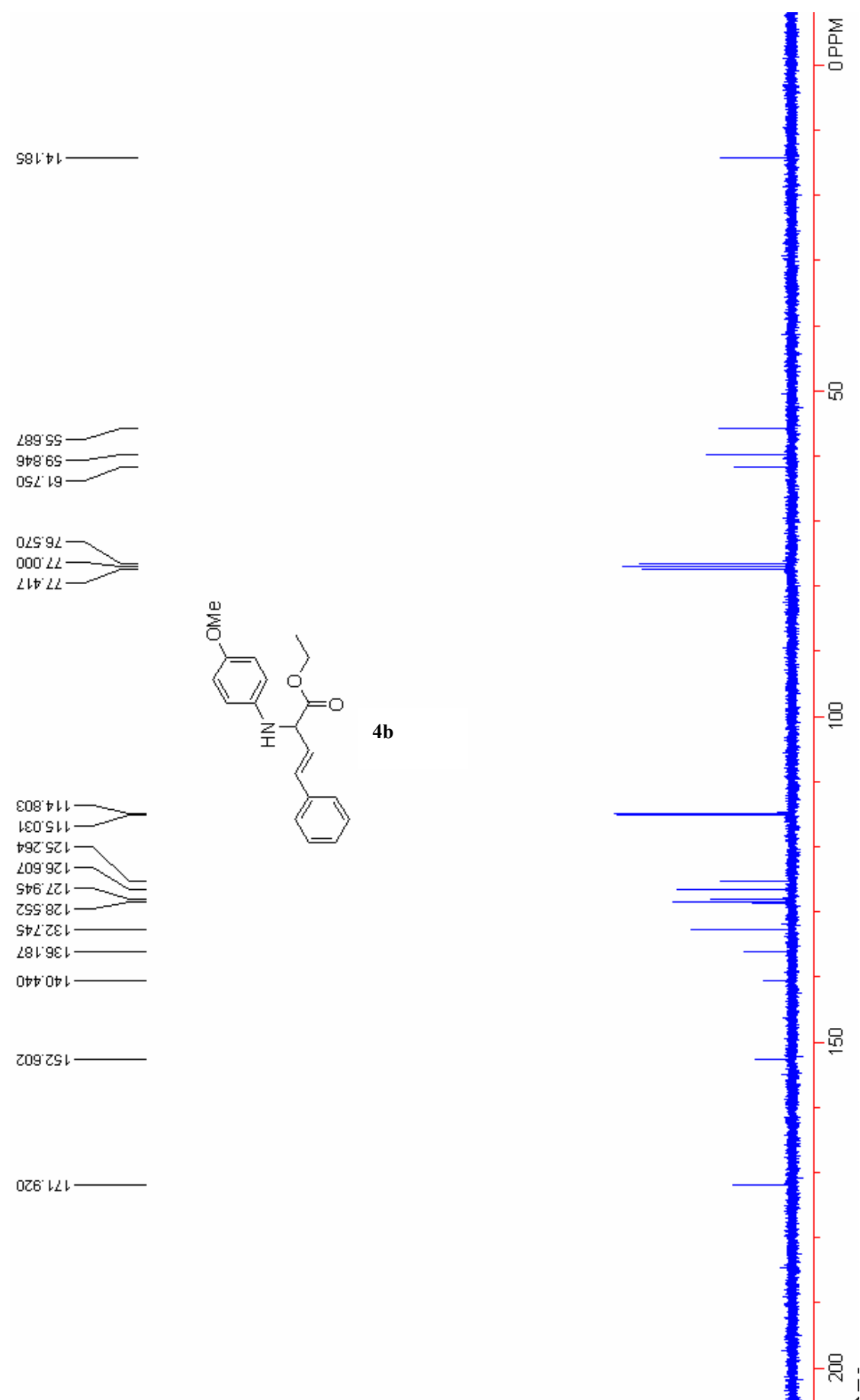


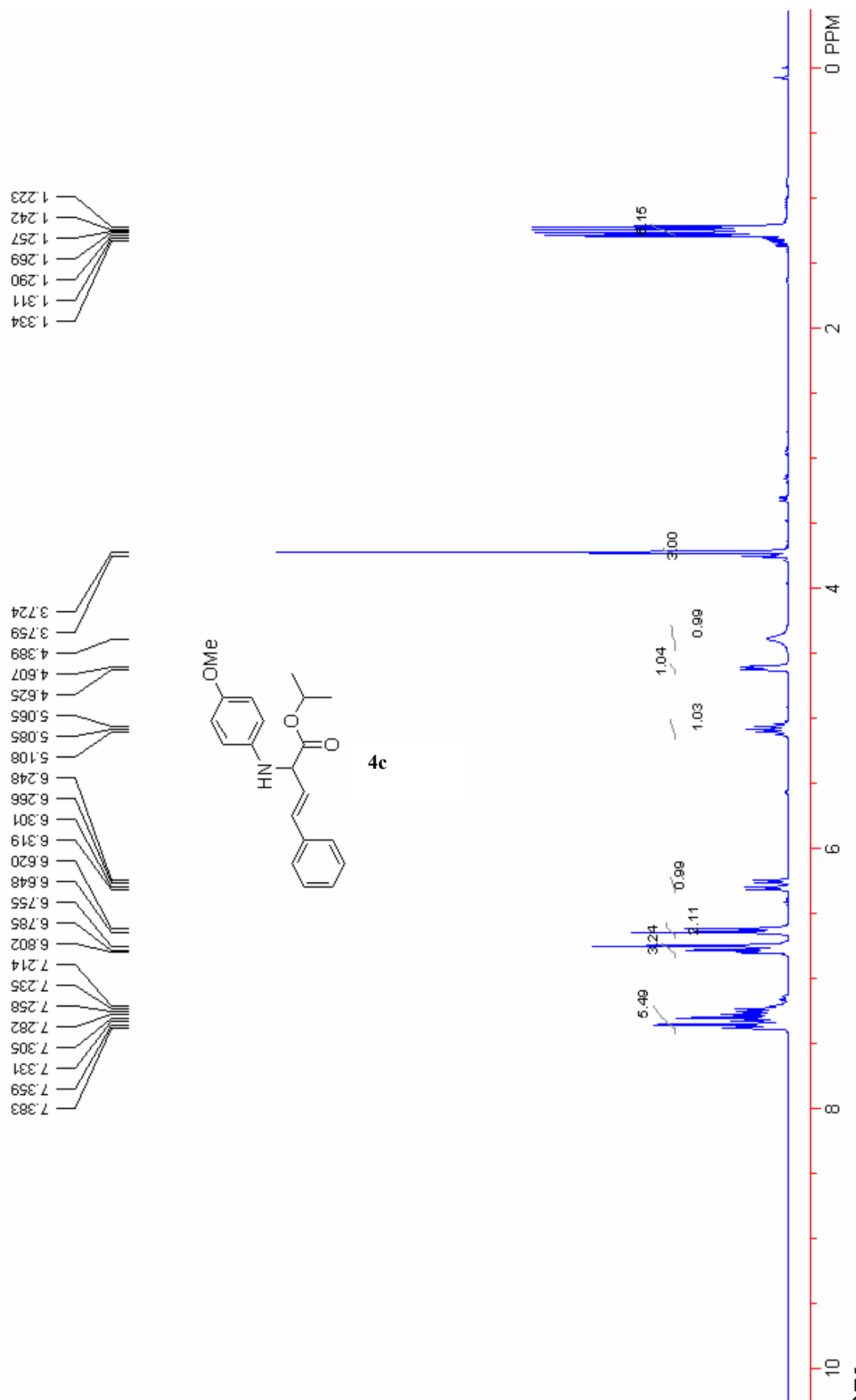


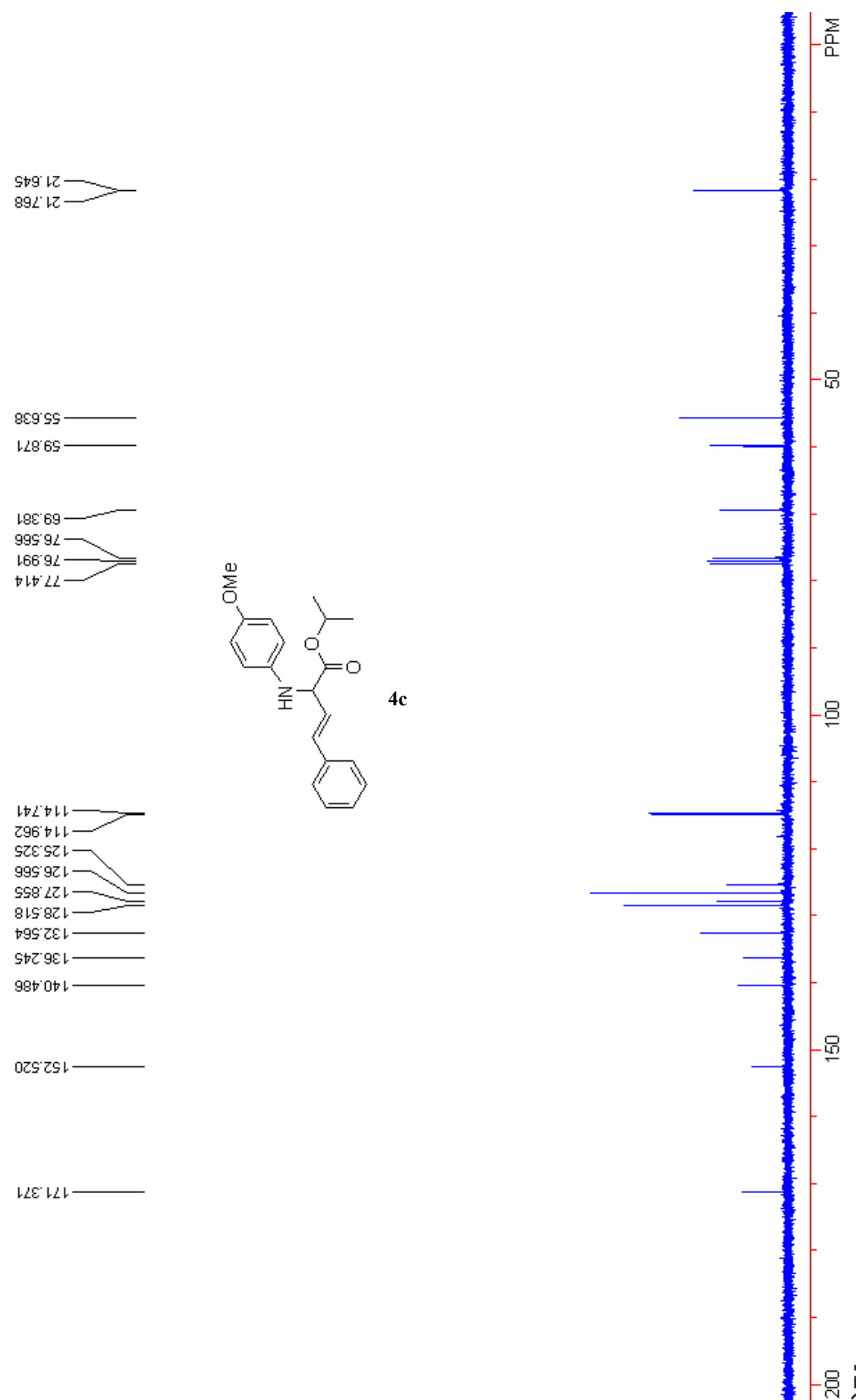


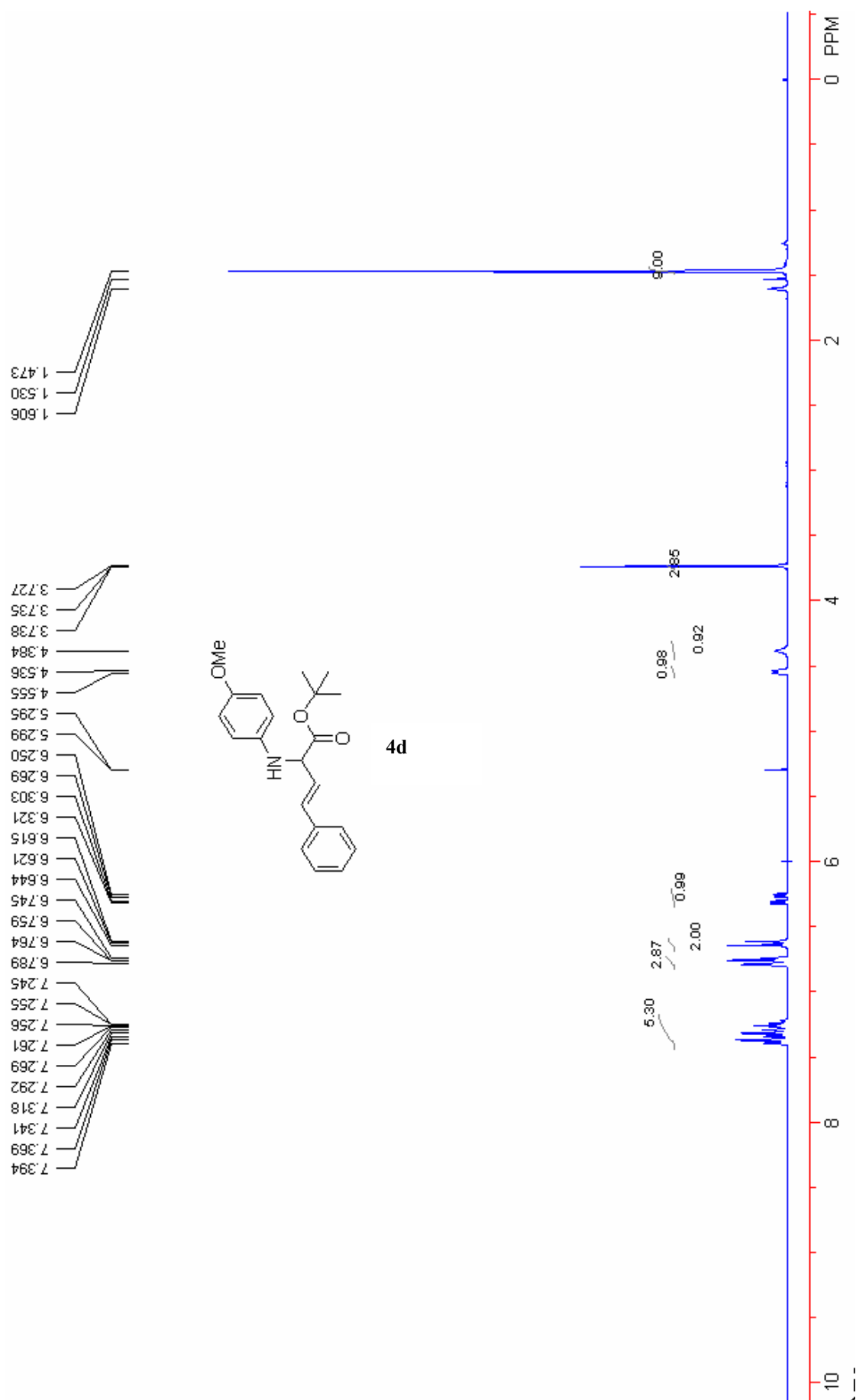


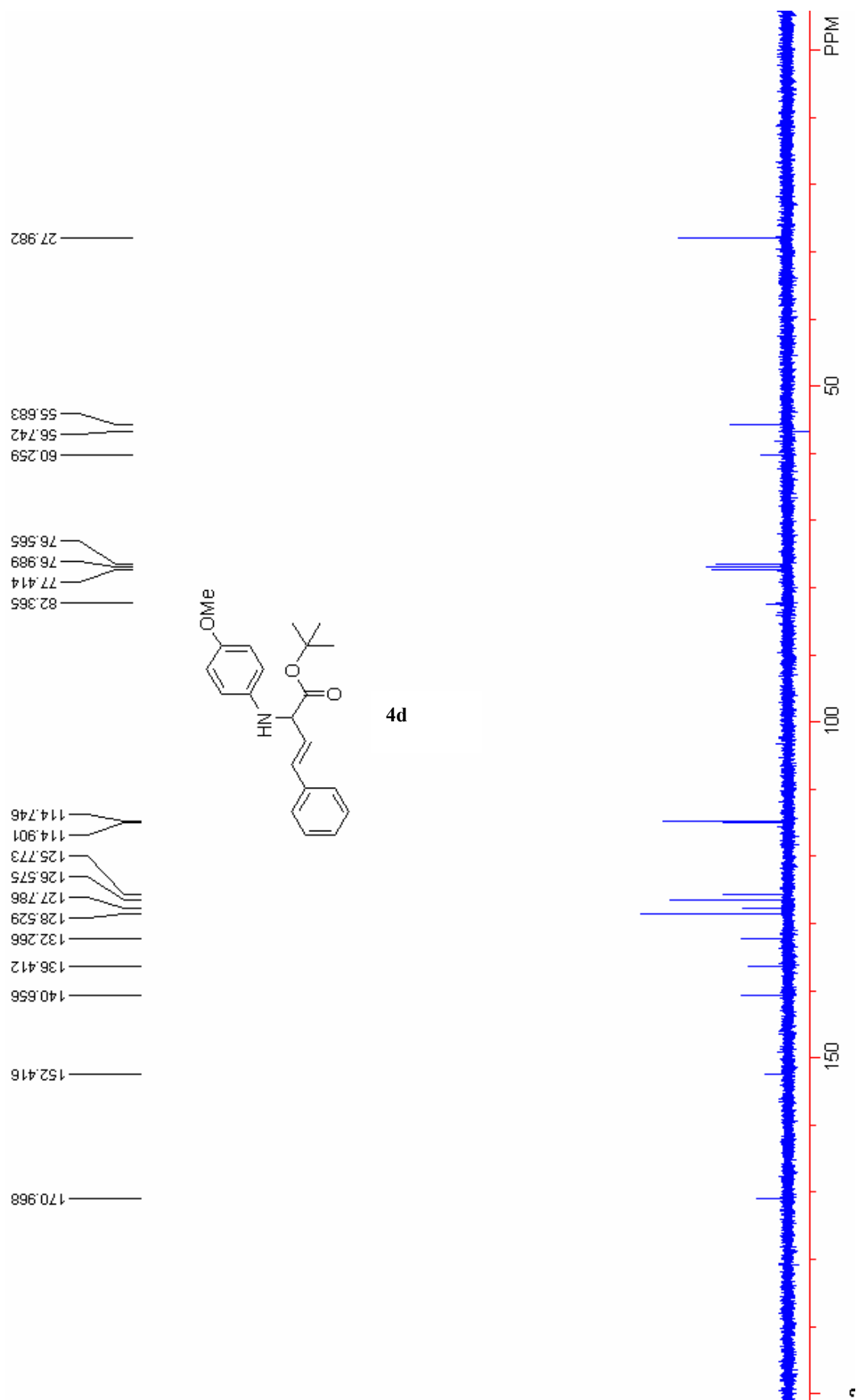


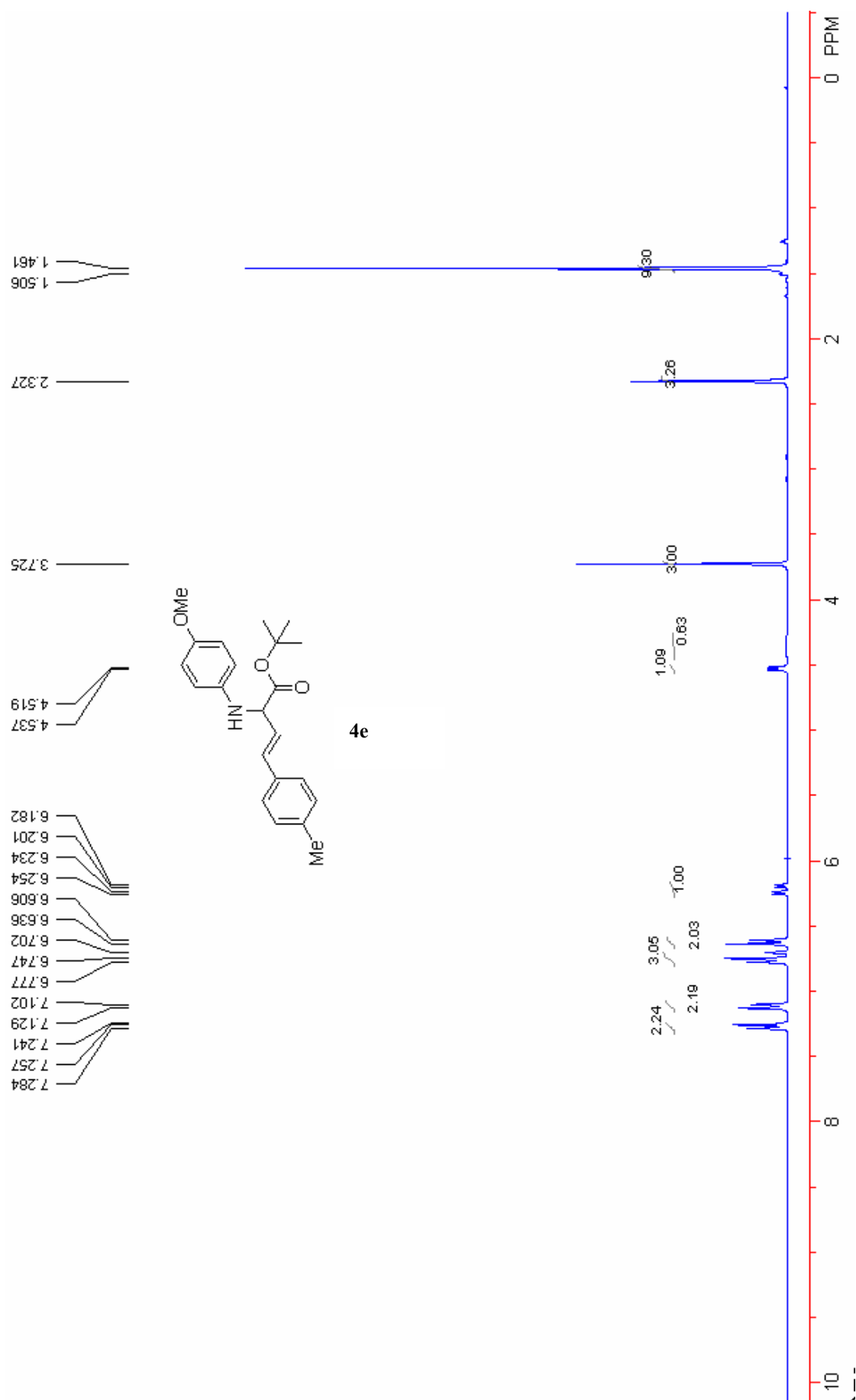


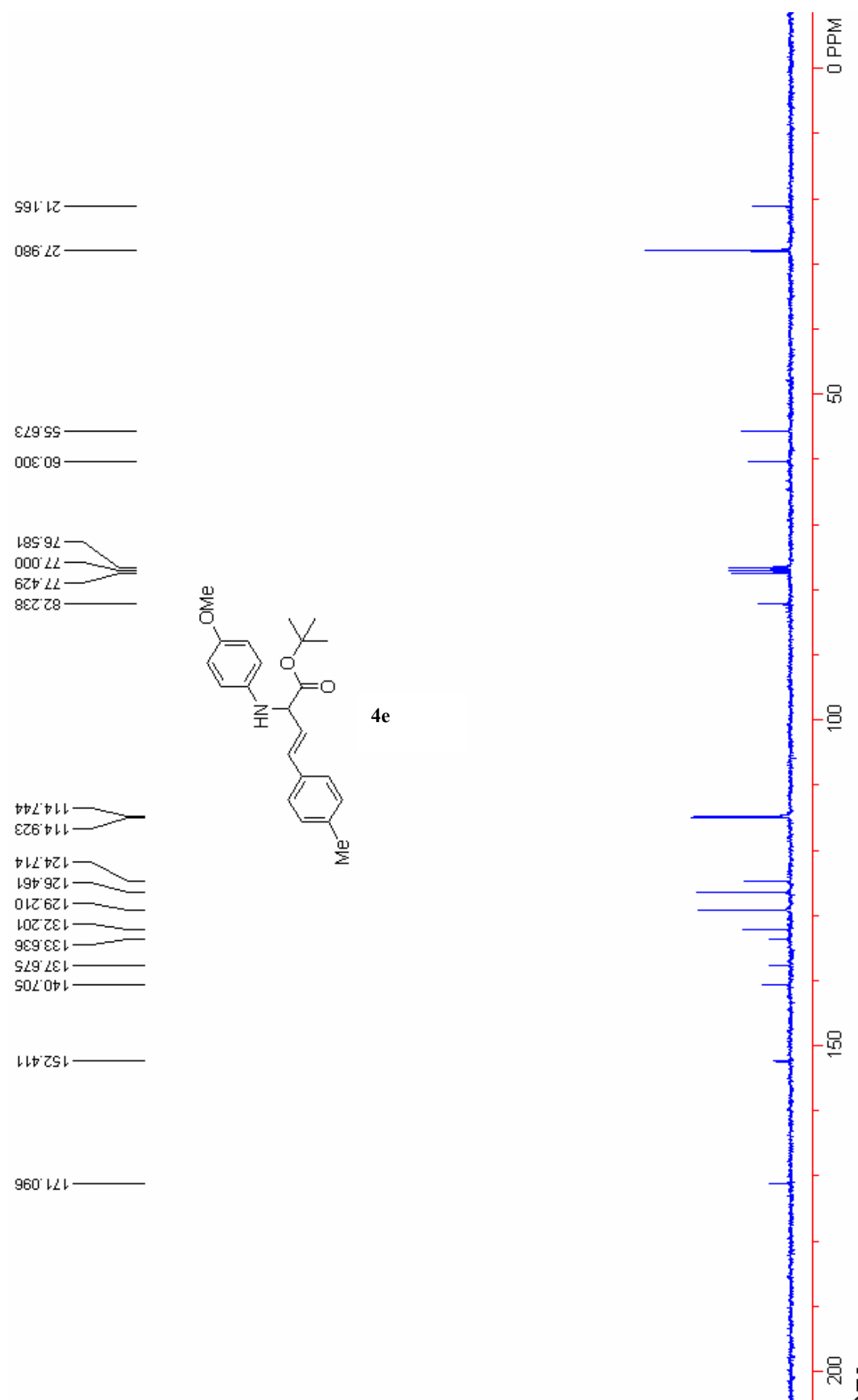


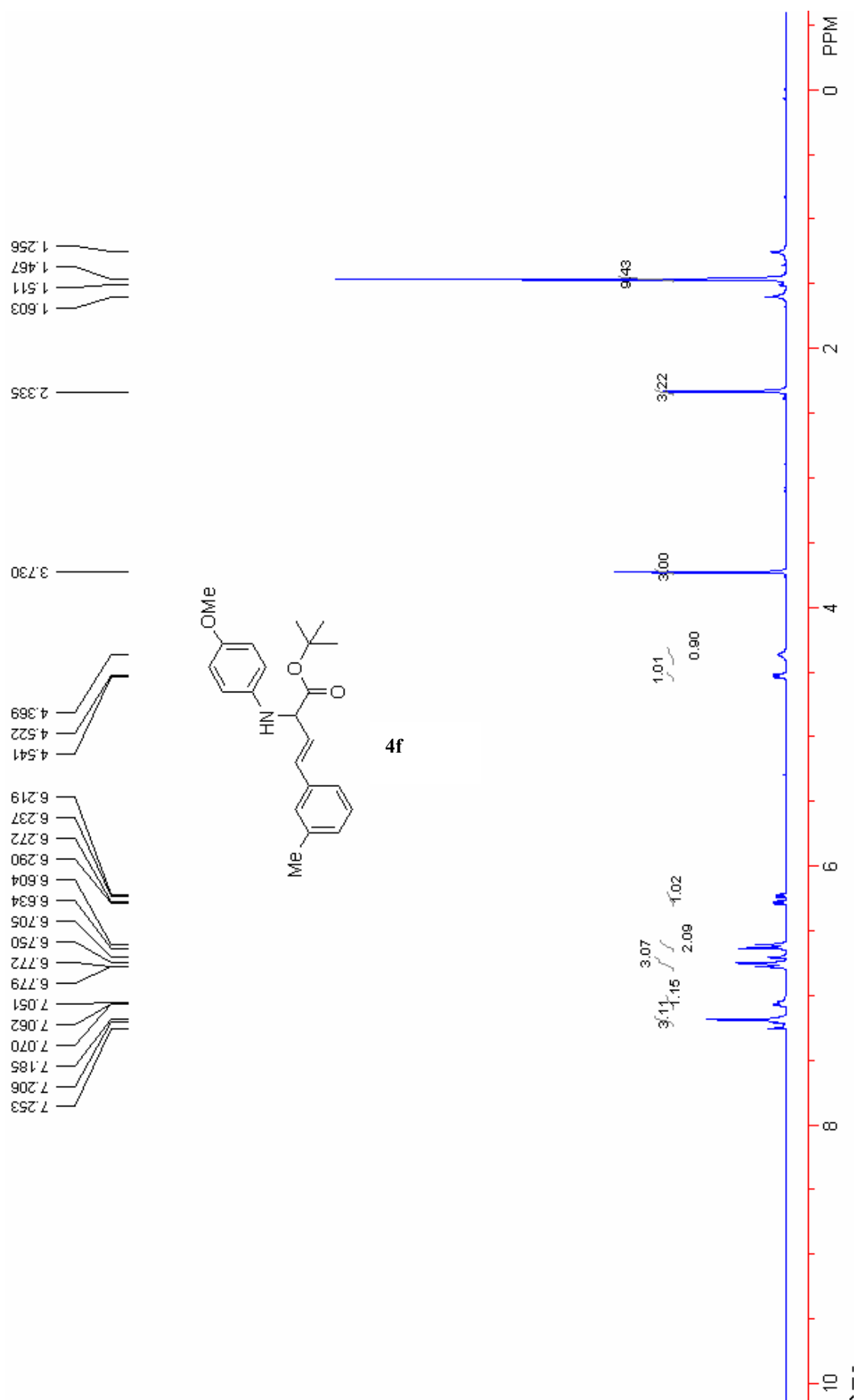


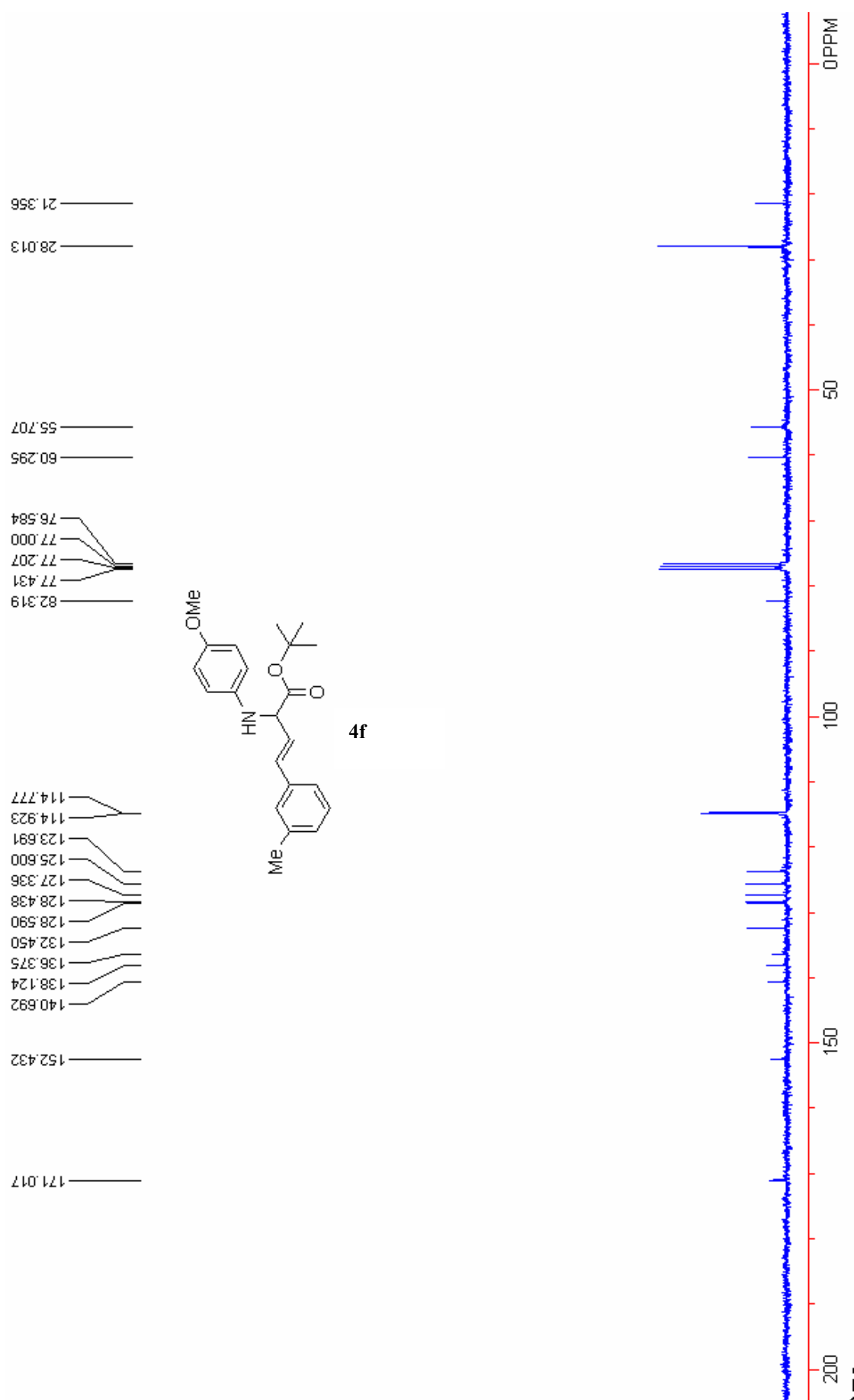


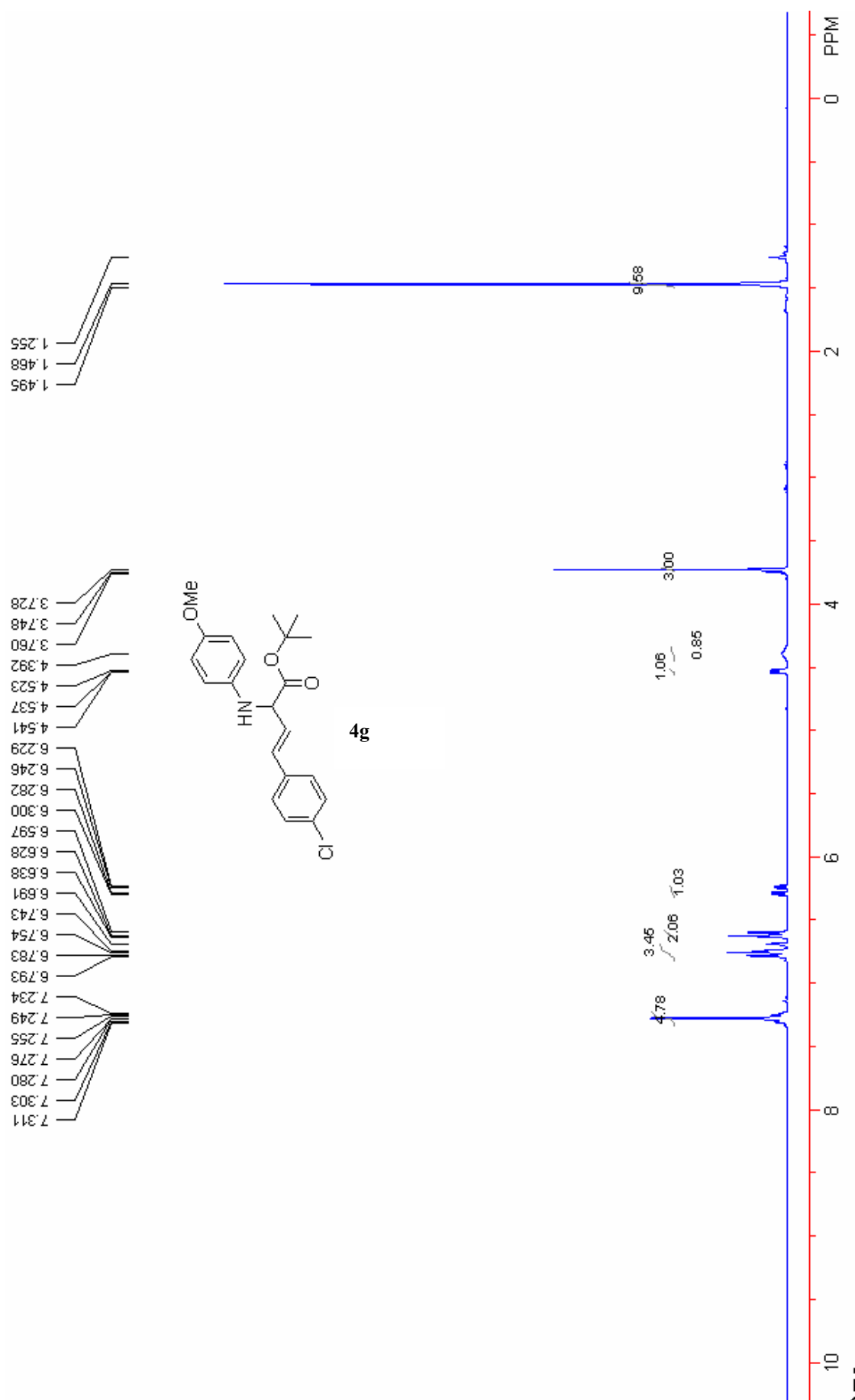


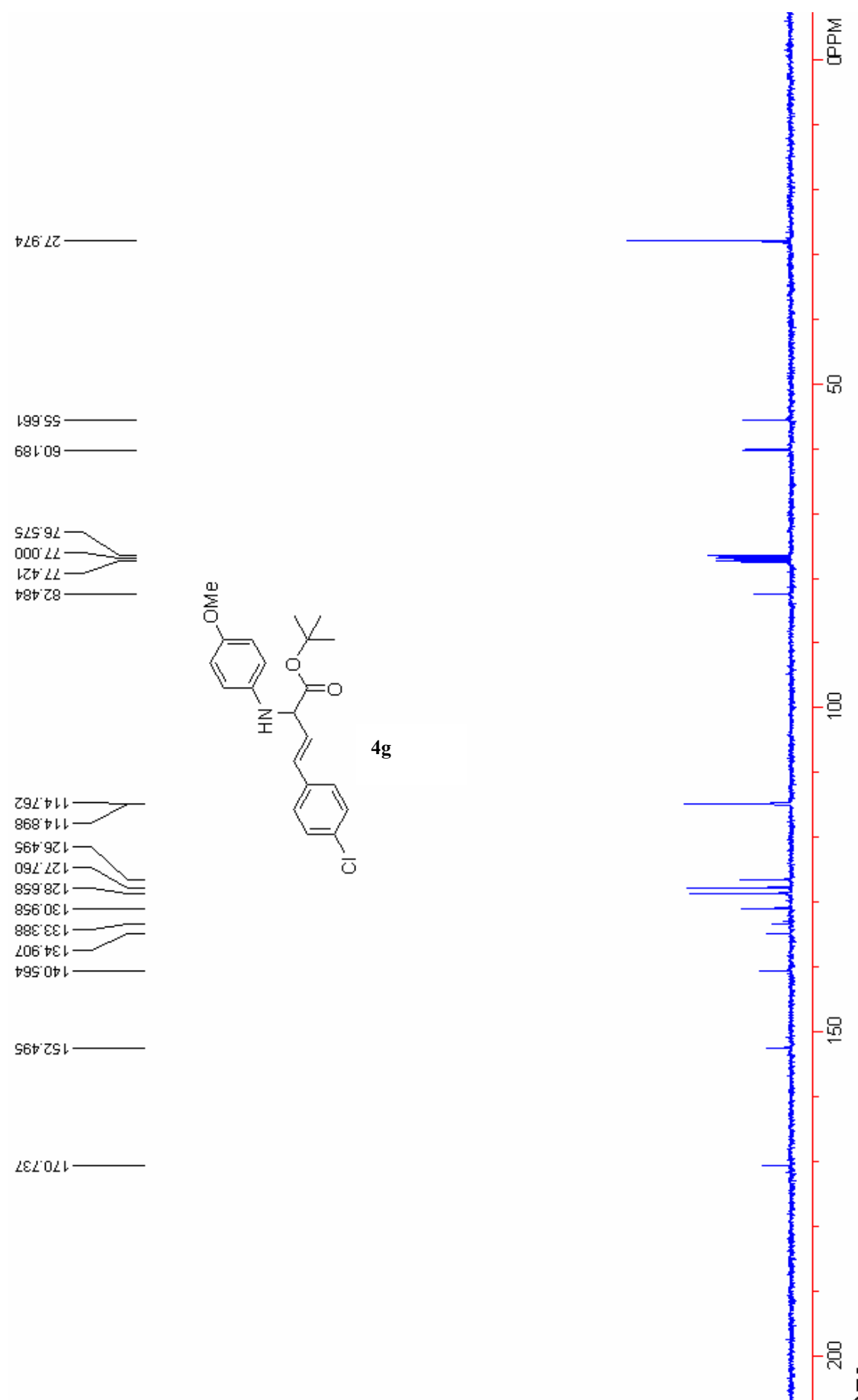


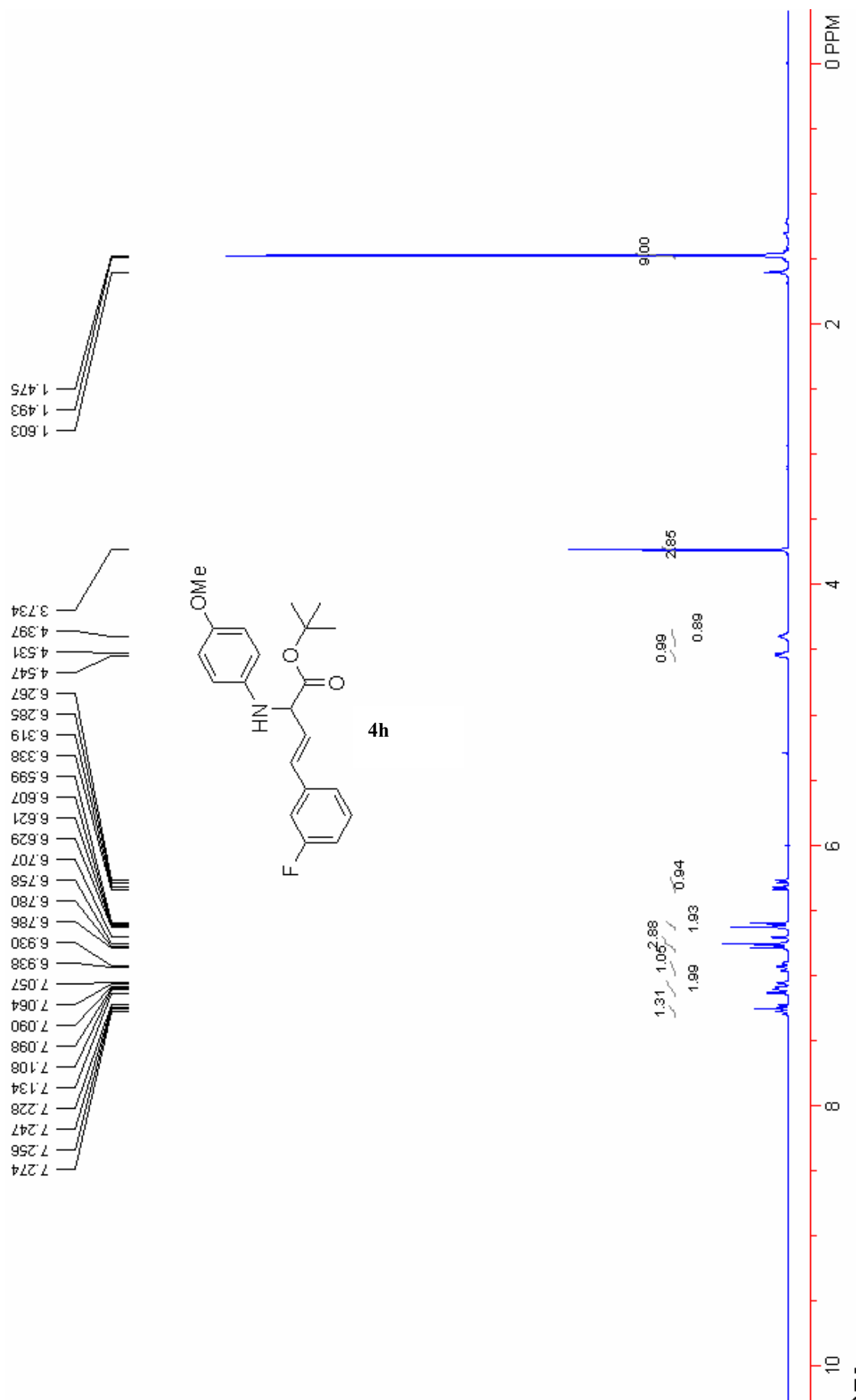


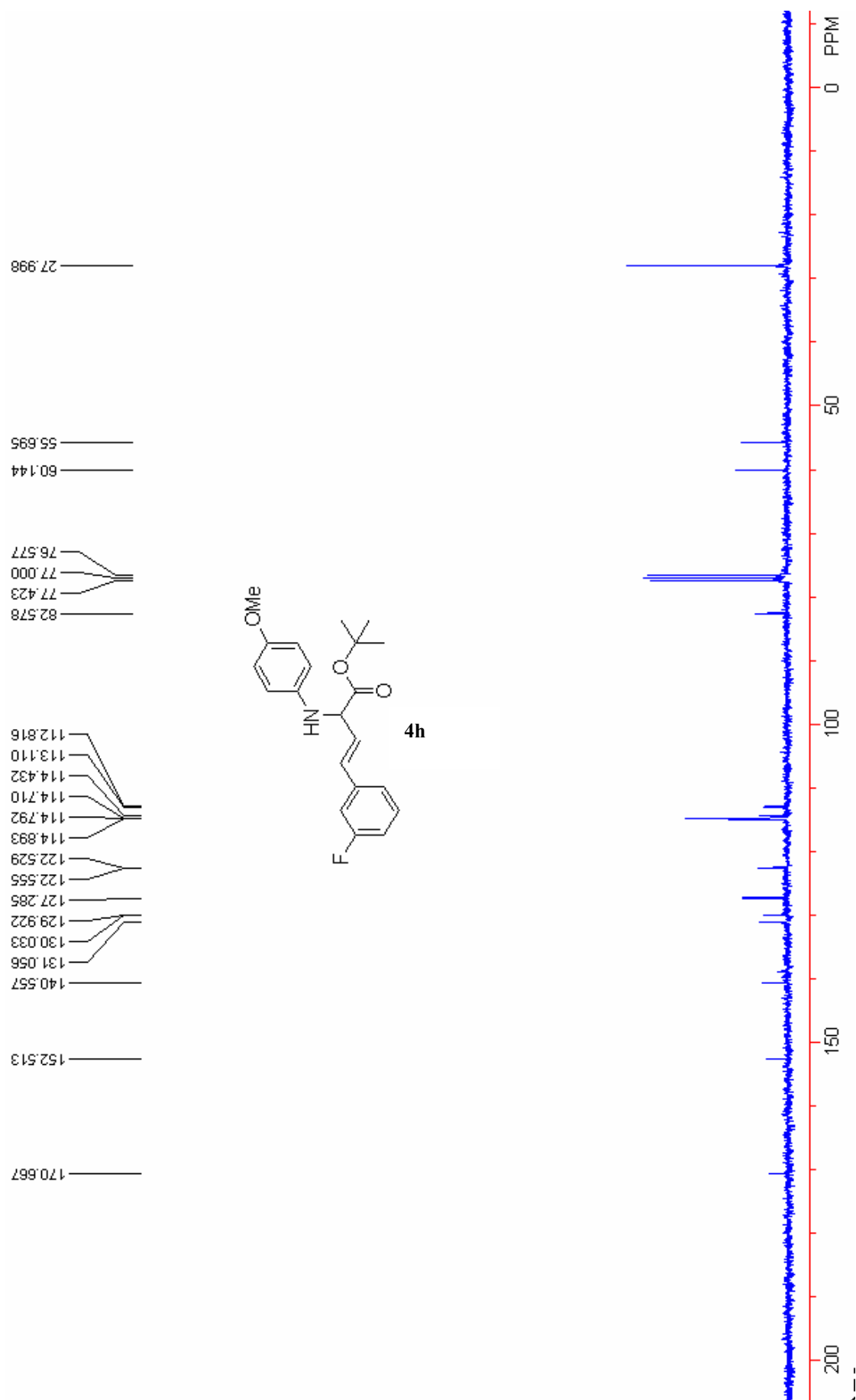


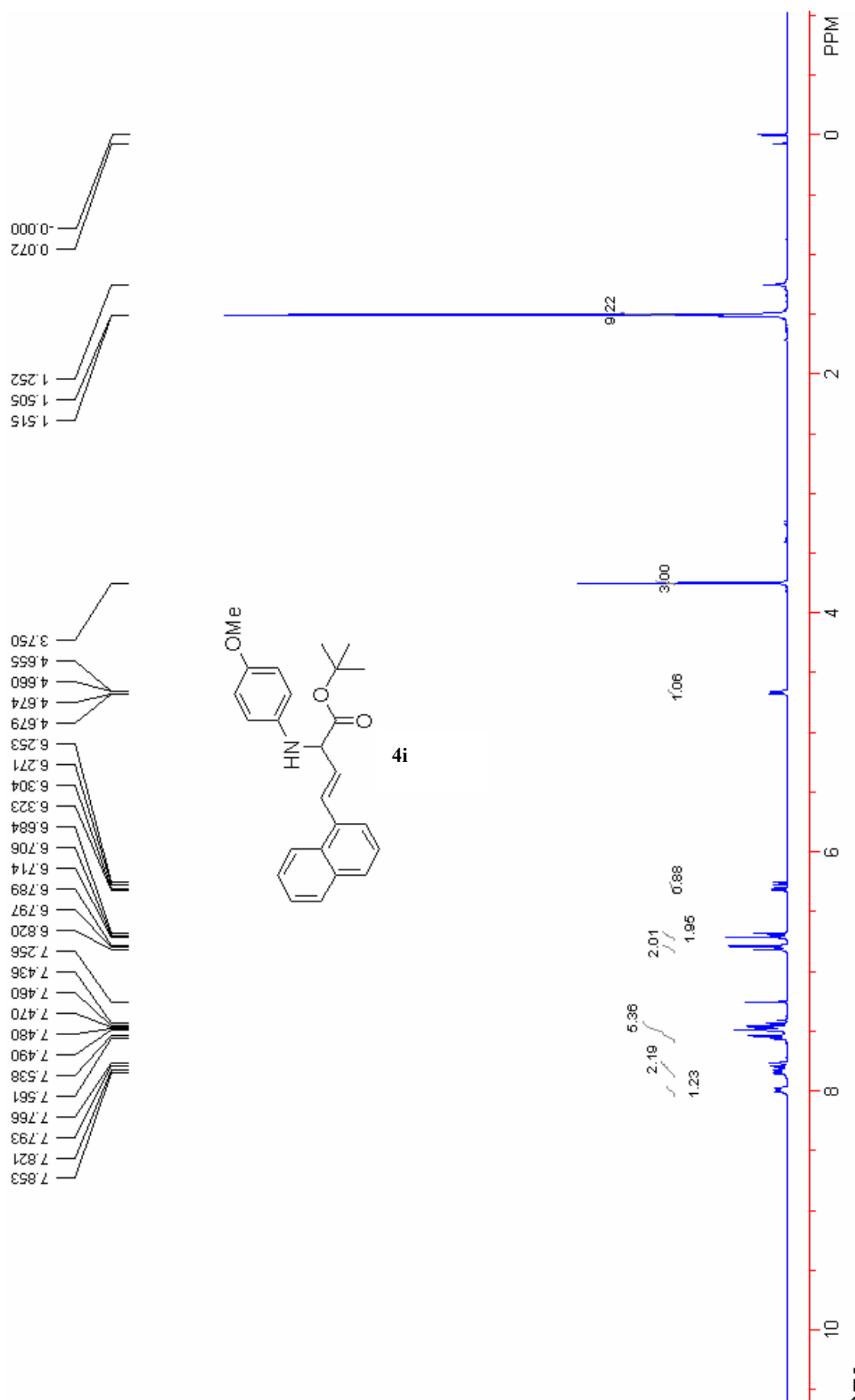


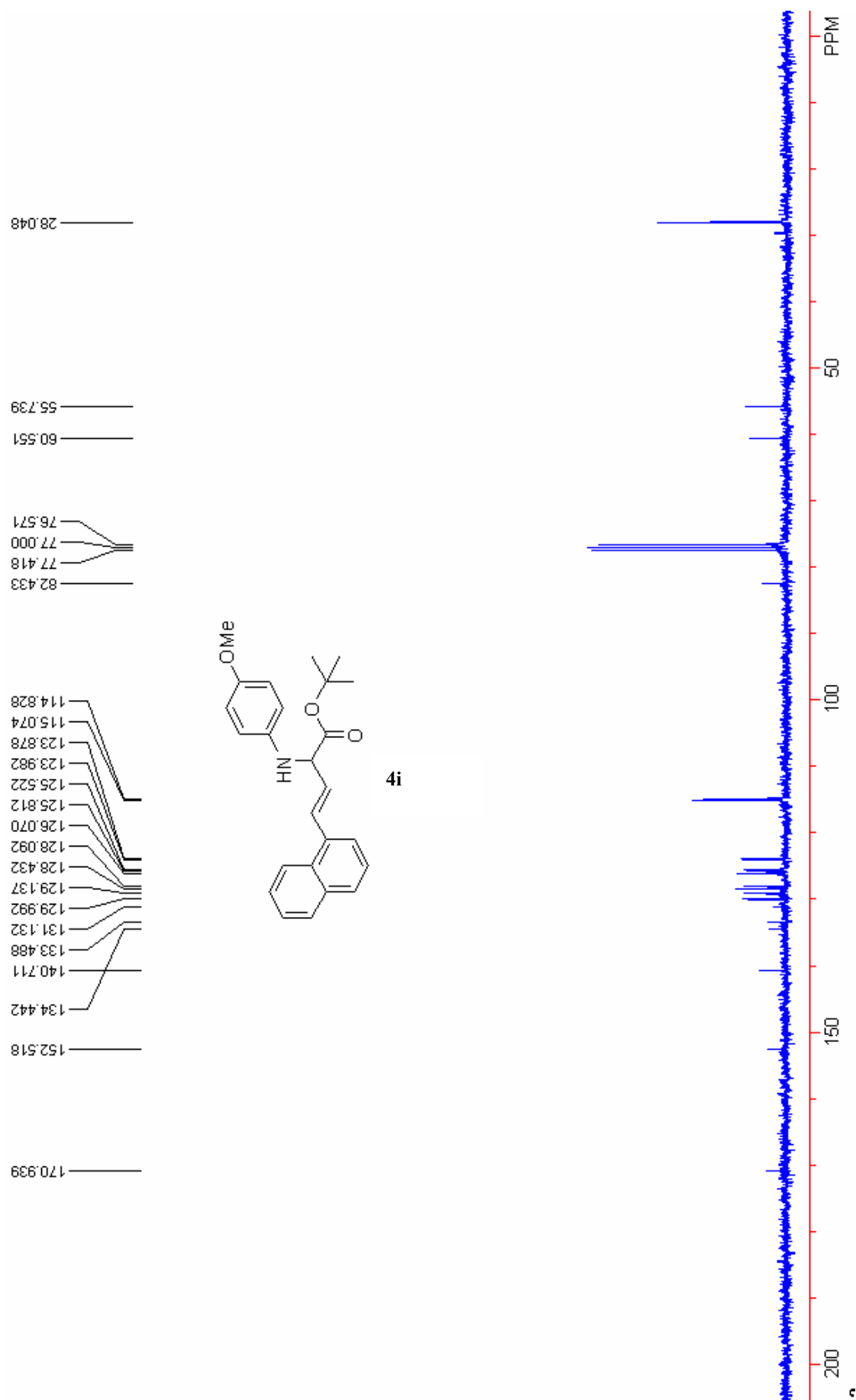


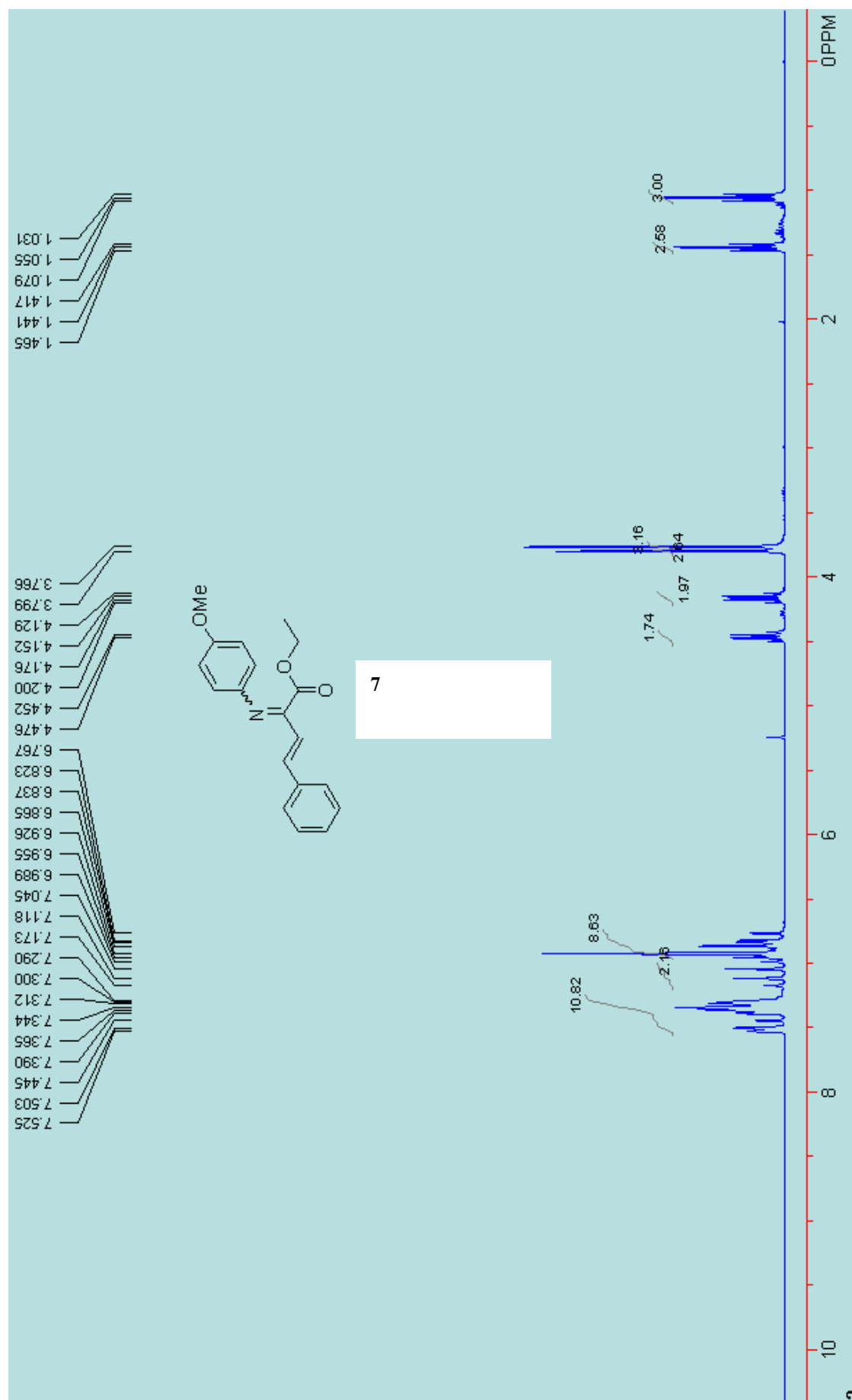


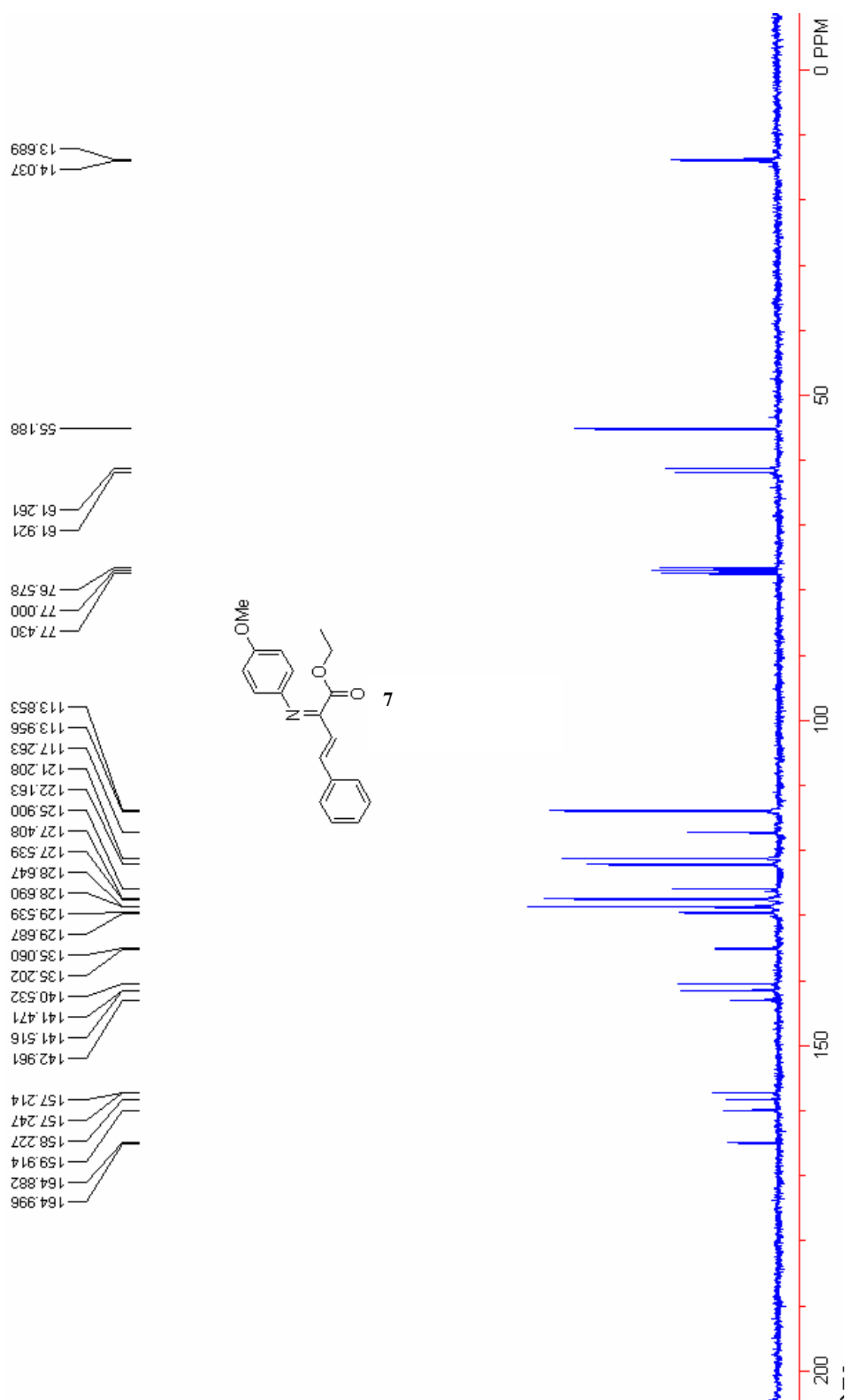


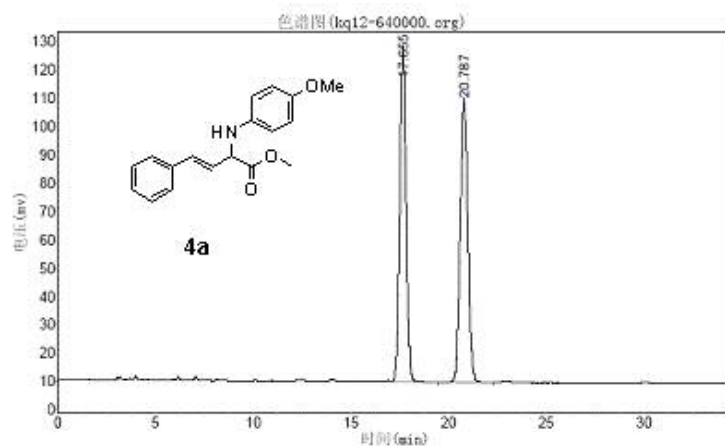




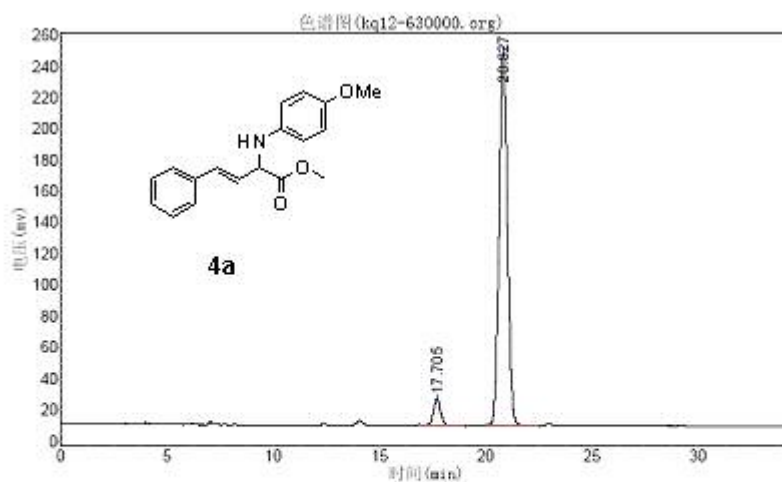




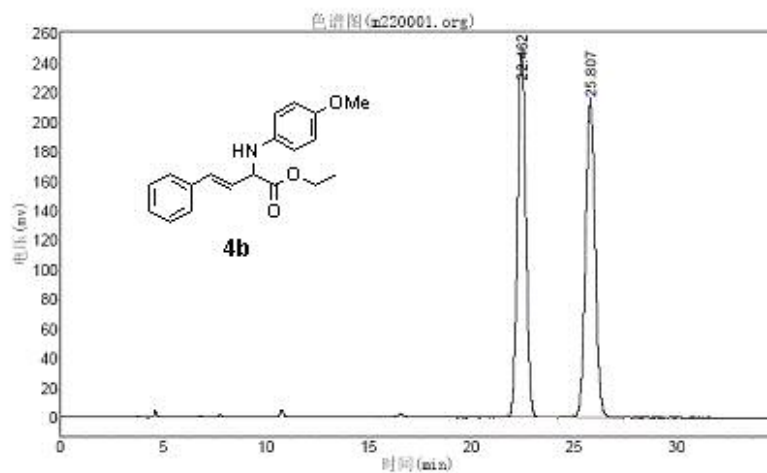




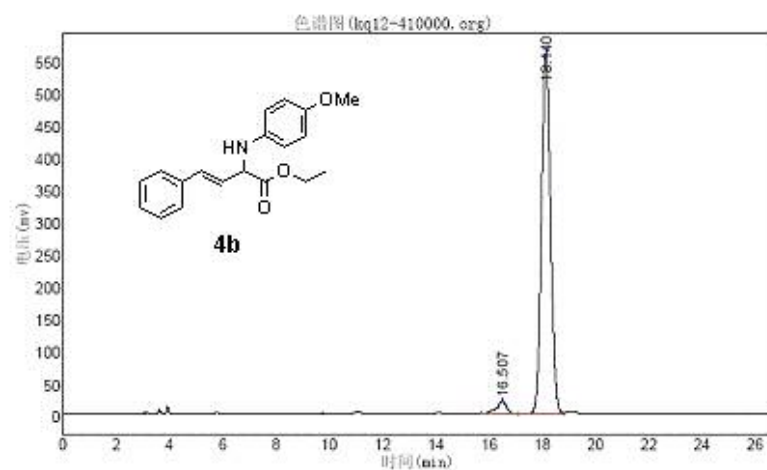
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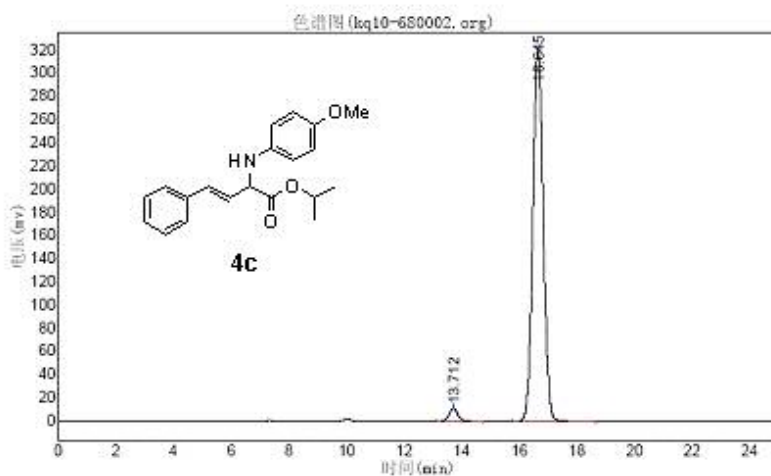
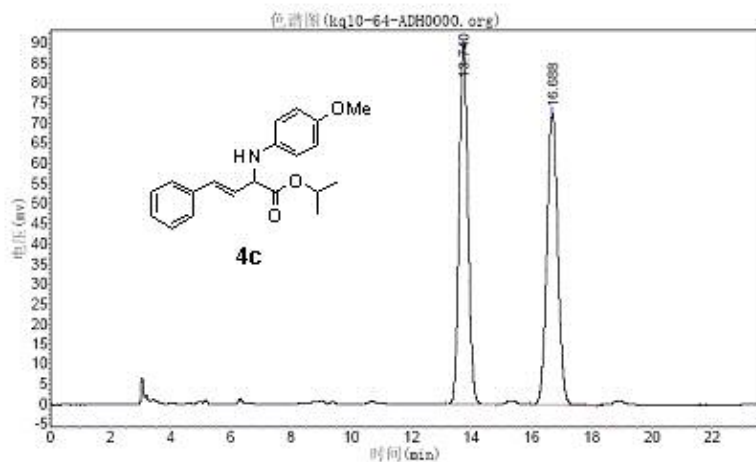
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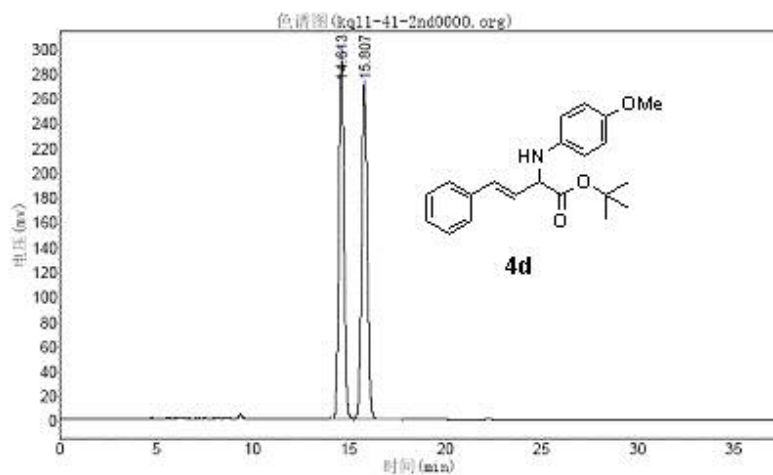


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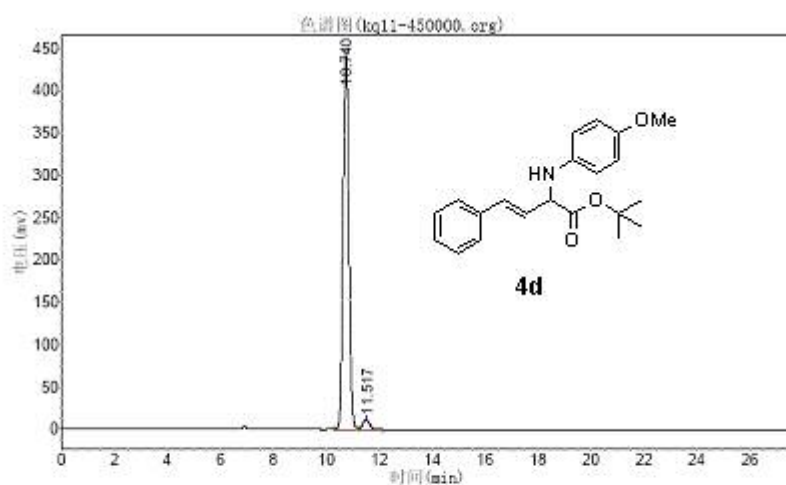


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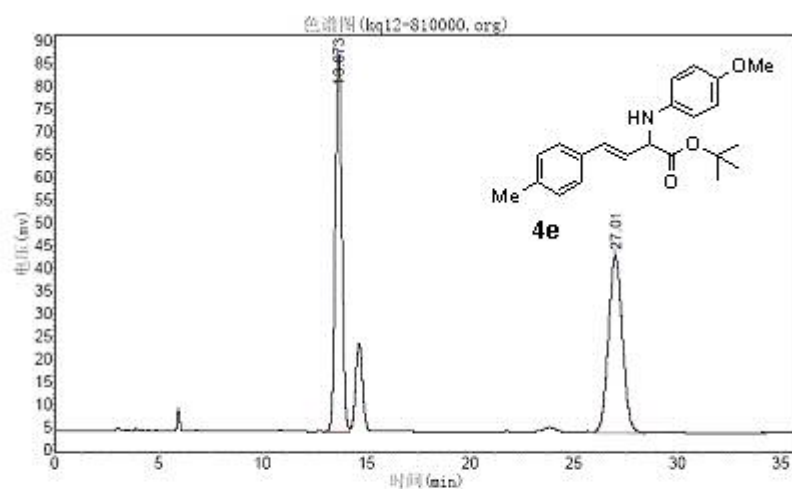




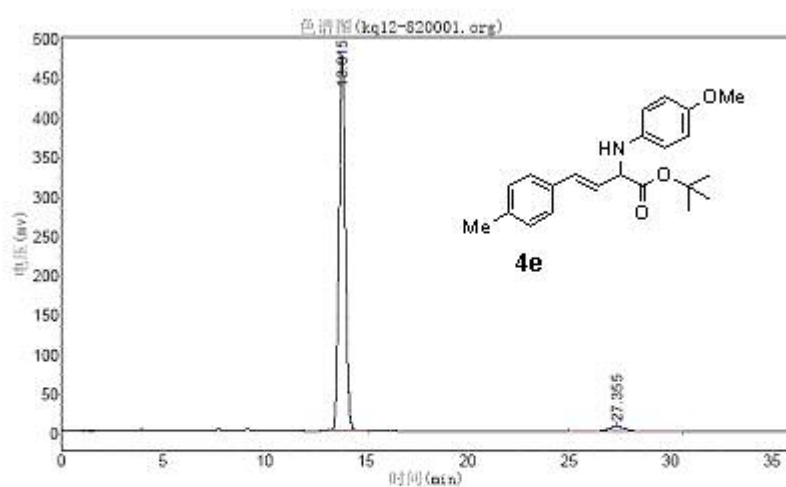
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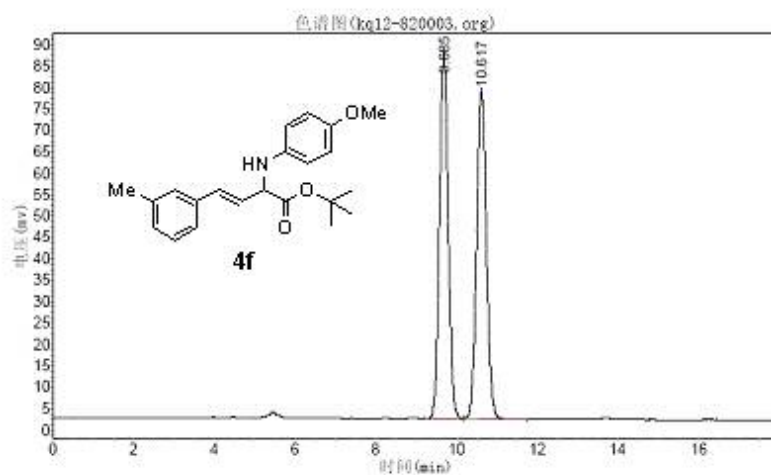
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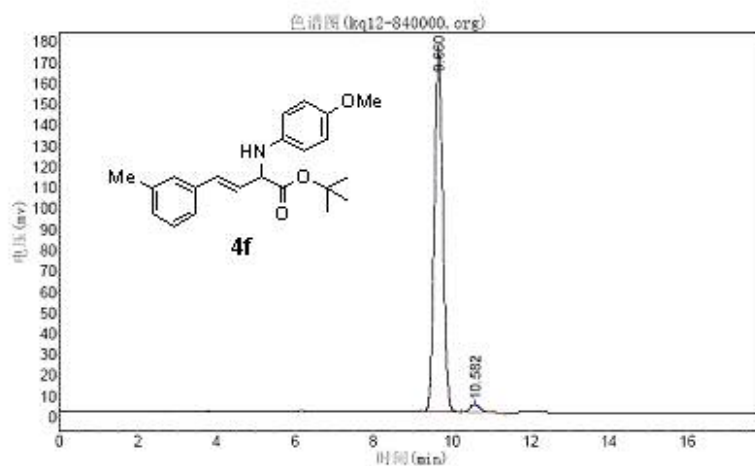
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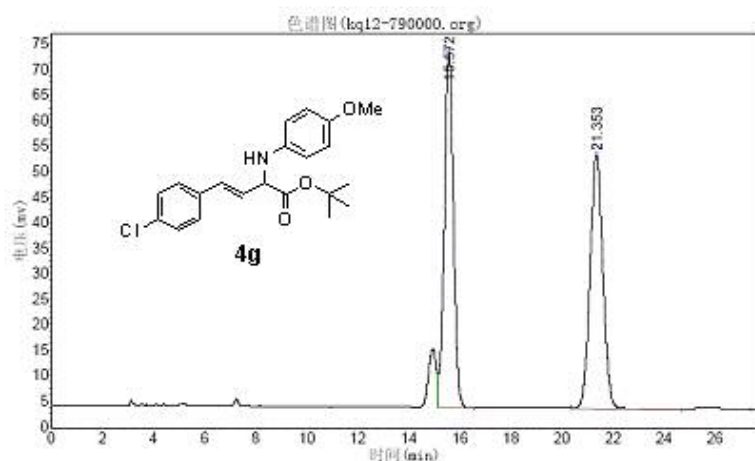
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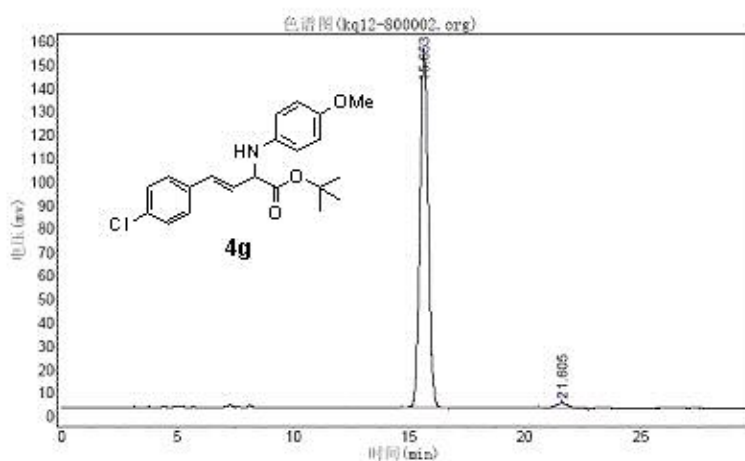
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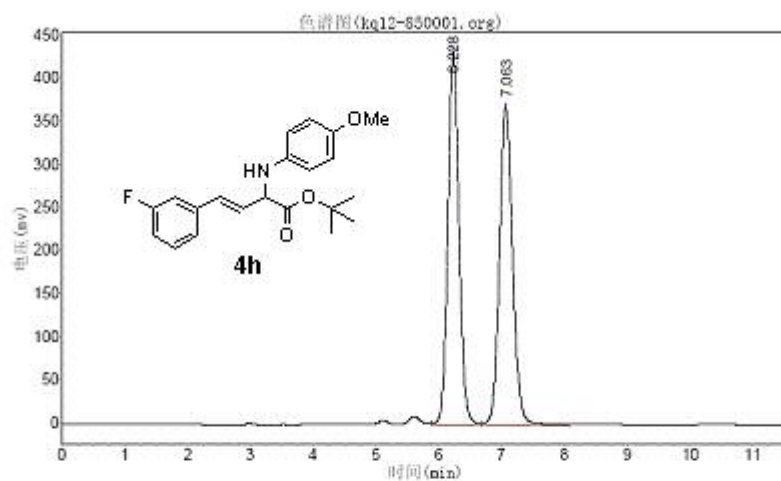
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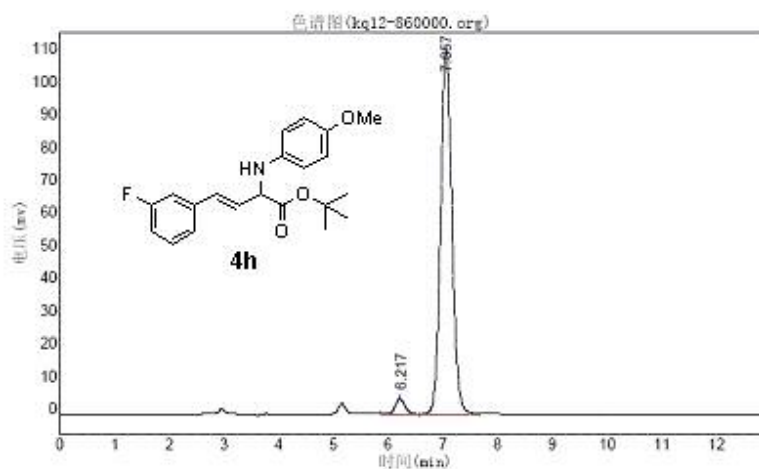
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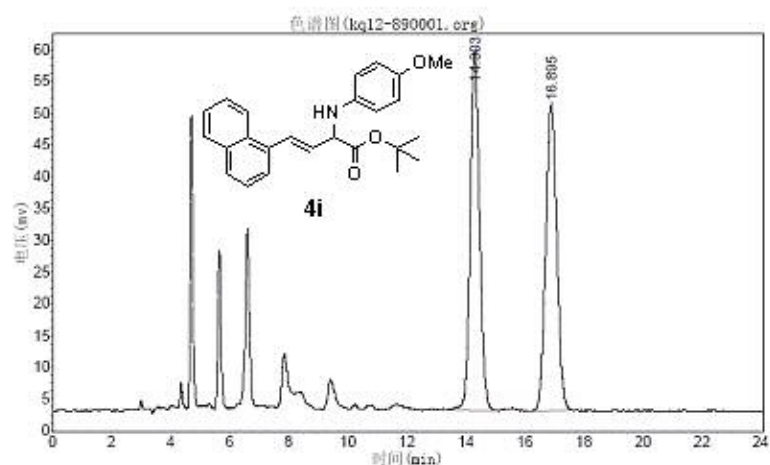
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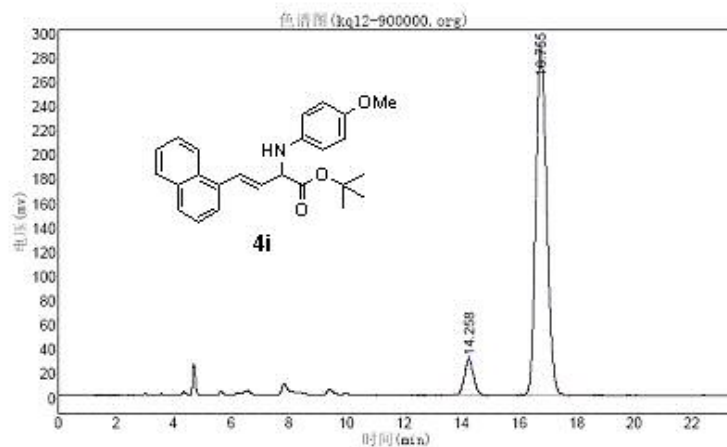
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