

Supplementary information for:

Efficient and Mild Microwave Assisted Stepwise Functionalization of Naphthalenediimide with α -Amino Acids

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SYNTHESIS

General: All solvents were of reagent grade quality and purchased commercially. All purchased starting materials were used without further purification. The determined melting points are uncorrected. NMR spectra were recorded on 400 MHz or 500 MHz instruments. The NMR spectra were referenced to solvent. All the spectra were recorded at 298K. ¹H NMR, data are reported as follows: chemical shift in ppm on the δ scale, integration, multiplicity (s: singlet, d: doublet, t: triplet, q: quartet, dd: doublet of doublets, bs: broad singlet, bt: broad triplet), coupling constants (Hz) and assignment. TLC analyses were carried out using silica gel 60 Å TLC plates. Column chromatography was performed on silica gel 60 Å (0.040-0.063mm) for column chromatography (230 – 400 mesh ASTM). The sonication was performed using a tabletop ultrasonic cleaner. The microwave experiments were conducted using a domestic microwave oven or a dedicated microwave synthesizer.

Work-up and Characterization Data:

(R)-2-[7-((R)-1-Carboxy-2-tritylsulfanyl-ethyl)-1,3,6,8-tetraoxo-3,6,7,8-tetrahydro-1H-benzo[*lmn*][3,8]phenanthrolin-2-yl]-3-tritylsulfanyl-propionic acid, (R,R)-2b

The reaction was performed on 0.746 mmol (200 mg) 1,4,5,8-naphthalenetetracarboxylic dianhydride and 1.491 mmol (542 mg) of H-(L)-Cys(Trt)-OH using both synthetic methods (A and B), as well as on 3.728 mmol (1g) 1,4,5,8-naphthalenetetracarboxylic dianhydride and 7.457 mmol (2.71g) H-(L)-Cys(Trt)-OH using synthetic method B.

Work up: the brown residue was taken-up with chloroform (150 ml). The organic phase was washed with 1.5 N HCl (2 x 50 ml), brine (1 x 50 ml), water (1 x 50 ml) and dried over Na₂SO₄, the solvent was removed and the product dried under vacuum. The product was obtained in 95% yield as a yellow-brown powder. m.p. 185-187 °C (dec); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 8.63 (s, 4H), 7.32-7.28 (t, J = 7.5, 12H), 7.21-7.18 (t, J = 7.5, 12H), 7.18-7.12 (d, J = 7.5, 6H), 5.49 (dd, J_1 = 10.4, J_2 = 4.7, 2H), 3.25 (dd, J_1 = 14.2, J_2 = 10.4, 2H), 3.13 (dd, J_1 = 14.2, J_2 = 4.7, 2H); ¹³C NMR {¹H} (100.62 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 174.7, 161.9, 144.2, 131.4, 129.6, 127.9, 126.8, 126.1, 119.6, 67.6, 52.8; HRMS (ESI+) calcd. for: C₅₈H₄₂N₂NaO₈S₂ [M+Na]⁺ (m/z): 981.2280, found: 981.2275.

(S)-2-[7-((S)-1-Carboxy-2-tritylsulfanyl-ethyl)-1,3,6,8-tetraoxo-3,6,7,8-tetrahydro-1H-benzo[*lmn*][3,8]phenanthrolin-2-yl]-3-tritylsulfanyl-propionic acid (S,S)-2b

Work up: the dark brown oil was taken up into CHCl₃ (100 ml). The organic phase was washed with 1N HCl (2 x 50 ml), brine (1 x 75 ml) and dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure and dried under high-vacuum. The product was obtained in the form of a yellow solid in 86% yield. m.p. 182-184°C (dec); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 11.47 (bs, 2H), 8.66 (s, 4H), 7.35-7.32 (d, J = 10.0, 12H), 7.23-7.14 (m, 18H), 5.55-5.51 (dd, J_1 = 15.0, J_2 = 4.5, 2H), 3.31-3.25 (dd, J_1 = 24.0, J_2 = 10.5, 2H), 3.19-3.14 (dd, J_1 = 18.0, J_2 = 4.5, 2H); ¹³C NMR {¹H} (100.62 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 174.1, 163.5, 144.2, 131.4, 129.5, 127.9, 127.8, 126.7, 126.2, 67.5, 52.8, 30.2; HRMS (ESI+) calcd. for: C₅₈H₄₂N₂NaO₈S₂ [M+Na]⁺ (m/z): 981.2280, found: 981.2281.

2-Amino-3-tritylsulfanyl-propionic acid methyl ester trifluoro-acetic acid salt

0.5 g of H-(L)-Cys-OMe·HCl (2.912 mmol) and 0.812 g of trityl chloride (2.912 mmol) were co-dissolved in 6 ml of trifluoroacetic acid obtaining a deep brown solution. After stirring the reaction mixture under nitrogen for 10 minutes, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the thick oily residue was taken-up with dichloromethane (10 ml). The dichloromethane was removed under reduced pressure and the procedure was repeated four times until a foaming solid was obtained. The crude product was dissolved in dichloromethane (150 ml) and washed with water (2 x 100 ml), the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄ and the solvent removed. 1.245 g of product were obtained as a white powder, the title product was clean by NMR analysis and was used without any further purification. Yield 87%. m.p. 66-68°C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ(ppm): 7.42-7.20 (m, 15H), 3.63 (s, 3H), 3.06-2.90 (m, 2H), 2.84 (dd, *J*₁ = 14, *J*₂ = 4.5, 2H), 2.35 (t, 4H, *J* = 7), 2.27 (m, 2H), 1.27 (s, 18H, OtBu); ¹³C NMR (100.62 MHz, CDCl₃) δ(ppm): 168.4, 162.0, 143.7, 129.3, 128.2, 127.1, 67.5, 53.2, 51.9, 32.1.

(R)-2-[7-((R)-1-Methoxycarbonyl-2-tritylsulfanyl-ethyl)-1,3,6,8-tetraoxo-3,6,7,8-tetrahydro-1H-benzo[*lmn*][3,8]phenanthrolin-2-yl]-3-tritylsulfanyl-propionic acid methyl ester, (R,R)-2c

Work up: the dark brown oil was taken up into CHCl₃ (100 ml). The organic phase was washed with 1N HCl (2 x 50 ml), brine (1 x 75 ml) and dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (silica, CH₂Cl₂/MeOH 98/2 v/v). The product was obtained in the form of a yellow solid in 70% yield over two steps from H-(L)-Cys-OMe·HCl. m.p. 125-127 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ(ppm): 8.73 (s, 4H), 7.34-7.32 (d, *J* = 7.0, 12H), 7.22-7.15 (m, 18H), 5.57-5.53 (dd, *J*₁ = 15.0, *J*₂ = 6.0, 2H), 3.66-3.64 (m, 5H), 3.24-3.22 (dd, *J*₁ = 9.5, *J*₂ = 4.0, 2H); ¹³C NMR {¹H} (100.62 MHz, CDCl₃) δ(ppm): 168.6, 162.1, 144.3, 131.4, 129.6, 127.9, 126.7, 126.4, 67.4, 53.0, 52.7, 30.5; HRMS (ESI+) calcd. for: C₆₀H₄₆N₂NaO₈S₂ [M+Na]⁺ (m/z): 1009.2593, found: 1009.2588.

(S)-3-Benzoyloxy-2-[7-((S)-2-benzoyloxy-1-carboxy-ethyl)-1,3,6,8-tetraoxo-3,6,7,8-tetrahydro-1H-benzo[*lmn*][3,8]phenanthrolin-2-yl]-propionic acid, (S,S)-2d

Work-up: the residue was taken-up with 50 ml of chloroform; the organic solution was extracted with 1.5 N HCl (2 x 50 ml), brine (1 x 30 ml) and water (1 x 30 ml). The solution was dried over Na₂SO₄ and the solvent removed under reduced pressure. To remove the residual DMF, the crude product was dissolved in 5 ml of acetonitrile and added drop wise to a vigorously stirred 2.5% aqueous solution of KHSO₄. The product coagulates as brown-pink flakes, the precipitate was filtered using a Büchner funnel, washed with water and dried under vacuum. The product was obtained as a brown-red powder in 86% yield. m.p. 137-139 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ(ppm): 8.66 (s, 4H), 7.20-7.08 (m, 30H), 6.11 (dd, *J*₁ = 9.03, *J*₂ = 5.5, 2H), 4.2 (AB system, *J*_{AB} = 12, 4H), 4.34-4.18 (m, 4H); ¹³C NMR {¹H} (100.62 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ(ppm): 169.13, 162.3, 138.1, 131.4, 128.2, 127.5, 127.4, 126.4, 125.9, 71.9, 66.7, 52.9; HRMS (ESI+) calcd. for: C₃₄H₂₆N₂NaO₁₀ [M+Na]⁺ (m/z): 645.1485, found: 645.1480.

(S)-2-[7-((S)-1-Methoxycarbonyl-3-methyl-butyl)-1,3,6,8-tetraoxo-3,6,7,8-tetrahydro-1H-benzo[*lmn*][3,8]phenanthrolin-2-yl]-4-methyl-pentanoic acid methyl ester, (S,S)-2e

Work-up: the residue was taken-up with water, the suspension was filtered using a Büchner funnel, the precipitate was washed with water (200 ml) and dried under vacuum. The crude product was purified by filtration through a short plug of silica using ethylacetate as eluent. 370 mg of product were obtained as a pale orange-yellow powder. Yield 95%. TLC

(silica, CHCl₃/MeOH 50/1 v/v) Rf: 0.53; m.p. 117 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ(ppm): 8.78 (s, 4H), 5.78 (dd, *J*₁ = 9.5, *J*₂ = 5, 2H), 3.73 (s, 6H), 2.29-2.22 (m, 2H), 2.16-2.09 (m, 2H), 1.54 (m, 2H), 1.01 (d, *J* = 6.6, 6H), 0.923 (d, *J* = 6.6, 6H); ¹³C NMR {¹H} (125.78 MHz, CDCl₃) δ(ppm): 170.3, 162.5, 131.4, 126.9, 126.5, 52.6, 52.5, 37.9, 25.4, 23.1, 22.0; HRMS (ESI+) calcd. for: C₂₈H₃₁N₂O₈ [M+H]⁺ (m/z): 523.2080, found: 523.2090.

(S)-2-[7-((S)-1-Methoxycarbonyl-2-phenyl-ethyl)-1,3,6,8-tetraoxo-3,6,7,8-tetrahydro-1H-benzo[*lmn*][3,8]phenanthrolin-2-yl]-3-phenyl-propionic acid methyl ester, (S,S)-2f

Work-up: the residue was taken-up with 50 ml of acetonitrile and evaporated to dryness. The yellow residue was triturated with water (100 ml), the solution was discarded and the precipitate was washed with a further amount of water (200 ml) and dried under vacuum. The crude product was purified by filtration on a short silica plug, ethyl acetate was used as eluent. The product was obtained as a bright yellow powder in 74% yield. TLC (silica, AcOEt/EP 1/1 v/v) Rf: 0.75; m.p. 224-225 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ(ppm): 8.63 (s, 4H), 7.20-7.00 (m, 10H), 5.93 (dd, *J*₁ = 9.10, *J*₂ = 5.5, 2H), 3.65 (s, 6H), 3.60 (dd, *J*₁ = 14.0, *J*₂ = 5.5, 2H), 3.29 (dd, *J*₁ = 14, *J*₂ = 9.1, 2H); ¹³C NMR {¹H} (100.61 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ(ppm): 169.2, 161.8, 137.2, 131.3, 128.9, 128.1, 126.4, 125.9, 125.5, 54.2, 52.3, 34.0; HRMS (ESI+) calcd. for: C₃₄H₂₇N₂O₈ [M+H]⁺ (m/z): 591.1767, found: 591.1762.

(S)-2-{7-[(S)-1-Carboxy-2-(4-hydroxy-phenyl)-ethyl]-1,3,6,8-tetraoxo-3,6,7,8-tetrahydro-1H-benzo[*lmn*][3,8]phenanthrolin-2-yl}-3-(4-hydroxy-phenyl)-propionic acid, (S,S)-2g

Work up: the dark brown oil was taken up into MeOH (100 ml). This solution was added under stirring to 200 ml of 1N HCl. The resulting suspension was allowed to coagulate overnight and then filtered through a P4 sintered glass funnel. The solid was then washed with 100 ml deionized water and dried *in vacuo*. The product was obtained in the form of a dark-orange solid in 91% yield. m.p. 269-272°C (dec); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ(ppm): 12.91 (bs, 2H), 9.04 (s, 2H), 8.65 (s, 4H), 6.94-6.92 (d, *J* = 8.5, 2H), 6.49-6.47 (d, *J* = 8.5, 2H), 5.78-5.74 (dd, *J*₁ = 15.0, *J*₂ = 5.5, 2H), 3.48-3.43 (dd, *J*₁ = 19.5, *J*₂ = 5.5, 2H), 3.23-3.17 (dd, *J*₁ = 23.5, *J*₂ = 9.5, 2H); ¹³C NMR {¹H} (100.62 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ(ppm): 170.3, 161.9, 155.6, 136.5, 131.2, 129.8, 127.7, 126.0, 125.6, 114.9, 54.8, 33.3; HRMS (ESI+) calcd. for: C₃₂H₂₃N₂O₁₀ [M+H]⁺ (m/z): 595.1353, found: 595.1351.

(S)-2-{7-[(S)-1-Methoxycarbonyl-2-(1-trityl-1H-imidazol-4-yl)-ethyl]-1,3,6,8-tetraoxo-3,6,7,8-tetrahydro-1H-benzo[*lmn*][3,8]phenanthrolin-2-yl}-3-(1-trityl-1H-imidazol-4-yl)-propionic acid methyl ester, (S,S)-2h

Work-up: the residue was taken-up with water. The suspension was filtered with a Büchner funnel, the precipitate was washed with water (200 ml) and dried under vacuum. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (silica, CHCl₃/methanol 200/10 v/v). 575 mg of product were obtained as a bright yellow powder, yield 73%. TLC (silica, CHCl₃/methanol 9/1 v/v) Rf: 0.84; m.p. 165-170 °C (dec); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ(ppm): 8.65 (s, 4H), 7.40-7.10 (m, 20H), 6.96-6.88 (m, 12H), 6.58 (s, 2H), 5.99 (dd, *J*₁ = 9.5, *J*₂ = 6.0, 2H), 3.75 (s, 6H), 3.65-3.50 (m, 4H); ¹³C NMR {¹H} (125.78 MHz, CDCl₃) δ(ppm): 169.7, 162.3, 142.2, 138.6, 136.7, 131.0, 129.6, 127.8, 127.8, 126.8, 126.4, 119.1, 74.9, 54.1, 52.6, 27.1; HRMS (ESI+) calcd. for: C₆₆H₅₁N₆O₈ [M+H]⁺ (m/z): 1055.3768, found: 1055.3755.

(S)-2-{7-[(S)-1-Carboxy-2-(1-trityl-1H-imidazol-4-yl)-ethyl]-1,3,6,8-tetraoxo-3,6,7,8-tetrahydro-1H-benzo[*lmn*][3,8]phenanthrolin-2-yl}-3-(1-trityl-1H-imidazol-4-yl)-propionic acid, (S,S)-2i

Work up: the dark brown oil was taken up into CHCl₃ (100 ml). The organic phase was washed with 1N HCl (2 x 50 ml), brine (1 x 75 ml) and dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. The

solvent was removed under reduced pressure and dried under high-vacuum. The product was obtained in the form of a yellow solid in 75% yield. m.p. 251-254°C (dec); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ(ppm): 8.72 (s, 4H), 7.91 (bs, 2H), 7.25-7.21 (m, 18H), 6.95 (bs, 2H), 6.88-6.86 (m, 12H), 5.84-5.80 (dd, *J*₁ = 14.5, *J*₂ = 4.0, 2H), 3.54-3.49 (dd, *J*₁ = 18.0, *J*₂ = 4.0, 2H), 3.42-3.35 (dd, *J*₁ = 25.5, *J*₂ = 11.0, 2H); ¹³C NMR {¹H} (100.62 MHz, CDCl₃) δ(ppm): 169.6, 169.5, 162.1, 147.7, 141.0, 137.1, 131.3, 128.9, 128.2, 127.7, 127.5, 126.6, 127.1, 125.8, 53.3, 37.4, 34.4, 21.4; HRMS (ESI+) calcd. for: C₆₄H₄₇N₆O₈ [M+H]⁺ (m/z): 1027.3455, found: 1027.3449.

(S)-2-{7-[(S)-1-Carboxy-2-(1*H*-indol-3-yl)-ethyl]-1,3,6,8-tetraoxo-3,6,7,8-tetrahydro-1*H*-benzo[*lmn*][3,8]phenanthrolin-2-yl}-3-(1*H*-indol-3-yl)-propionic acid, (S,S)-2j

Work-up: the dark brown oil was taken up into MeOH (400 ml). This solution was added under stirring to 600 ml of 1N HCl. The resulting suspension was allowed to coagulate overnight and then filtered through a P4 sintered glass funnel. The solid was then washed with 100 ml deionized water and dried *in vacuo*. The product was obtained in the form of a brown solid in 90% yield. m.p. 263-265 °C (dec) (Lit.¹ 286-288); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ(ppm): 12.97 (bs, 2H), 10.63 (bs, 2H), 8.59 (s, 4H), 7.46-7.44 (d, *J* = 7.5, 2H), 7.19-7.17 (d, *J* = 8.0, 2H), 7.03 (s, 2H), 6.94-6.90 (dd, *J*₁ = 15.0, *J*₂ = 7.0, 2H), 6.80-6.77 (dd, *J*₁ = 15.0, *J*₂ = 7.5, 2H), 5.86-5.82 (dd, *J*₁ = 14.0, *J*₂ = 8.5, 2H), 3.69-3.65 (dd, *J*₁ = 19.5, *J*₂ = 5.0, 2H), 3.51-3.45 (dd, *J*₁ = 23.5, *J*₂ = 9.0, 2H); ¹³C NMR {¹H} (100.62 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ(ppm): 173.8, 170.4, 161.9, 135.8, 131.0, 126.9, 125.9, 125.6, 123.6, 120.7, 118.1, 117.8, 111.2, 110.0, 54.2, 24.0; HRMS (ESI+) calcd. for: C₃₆H₂₄N₄NaO₈ [M+Na]⁺ (m/z): 663.1492, found: 663.1507.

(S)-3-(1*H*-Indol-3-yl)-2-{7-[(S)-2-(1*H*-indol-3-yl)-1-methoxycarbonyl-ethyl]-1,3,6,8-tetraoxo-3,6,7,8-tetrahydro-1*H*-benzo[*lmn*][3,8]phenanthrolin-2-yl}-propionic acid methyl ester, (S,S)-2k

Work up: the dark brown oil was taken up into CHCl₃ (200 ml). The organic phase was washed with 1N HCl (2 x 75 ml), brine (1 x 100 ml) and dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the resulting solid dried under high-vacuum. The product was obtained in the form of a red-brown solid in 82% yield. m.p. 258-260 °C (dec); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ(ppm): 10.67 (bs, 2H), 8.59 (s, 4H), 7.48-7.46 (d, *J* = 7.5, 2H), 7.20-7.18 (d, *J* = 8.0, 2H), 7.05 (s, 2H), 6.94-6.90 (dd, *J*₁ = 14.5, *J*₂ = 7.0, 2H), 6.81-6.77 (dd, *J*₁ = 15.0, *J*₂ = 7.5, 2H), 5.96-5.22 (dd, *J*₁ = 14.0, *J*₂ = 5.5, 2H), 3.72-3.66 (m, 5H), 3.49-3.43 (dd, *J*₁ = 23.5, *J*₂ = 9.0, 2H); ¹³C NMR {¹H} (100.62 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ(ppm): 169.4, 161.9, 135.8, 131.1, 126.9, 125.9, 125.5, 123.8, 120.7, 118.1, 117.8, 111.2, 109.5, 53.9, 52.2, 23.9; HRMS (ESI+) calcd. for: C₃₉H₂₉N₄O₈ [M+H]⁺ (m/z): 669.1985, found: 669.1960.

(S)-2-[7-((S)-3-*tert*-Butoxycarbonyl-1-carboxy-propyl)-1,3,6,8-tetraoxo-3,6,7,8-tetrahydro-1*H*-benzo[*lmn*][3,8]phenanthrolin-2-yl]-pentanedioic acid 5-*tert*-butyl ester, (S,S)-2l

Work-up: the dark brown oil was taken-up with 3 ml of acetonitrile and added drop wise to a vigorously stirred 2.5% aqueous solution of KHSO₄. The product coagulates as a pink powder, the precipitate was filtered with a Büchner funnel, washed with water and dried under vacuum. 421 mg of product were obtained as a light pink powder, 88% yield. m.p. 145°C (dec); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ(ppm): 12.90 (bs, 2H), 8.72 (s, 4H), 5.55 (dd, *J*₁ = 9.4, *J*₂ = 4.3, 2H), 2.45 (m, 4H), 2.35 (t, 4H, *J* = 7), 2.27 (m, 2H), 1.27 (s, 18H); ¹³C NMR {¹H} (100.61 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ(ppm): 171.6, 170.2, 162.4, 130.9, 126.3, 126.0, 79.5, 52.8, 31.5, 27.5, 23.4; HRMS (ESI+) calcd. for: C₃₂H₃₅N₂O₁₂ [M+H]⁺ (m/z): 639.2190, found: 639.2194.

(S)-6-tert-Butoxycarbonylamino-2-[7-((S)-5-tert-butoxycarbonylamino-1-carboxypentyl)-1,3,6,8-tetraoxo-3,6,7,8-tetrahydro-1H-benzo[*lmn*][3,8]phenanthrolin-2-yl]-hexanoic acid, (S,S)-2m

Work-up: the dark brown oil was taken up with 3 ml of acetonitrile and added drop wise to a vigorously stirred 2.5% aqueous solution of KHSO₄. The product coagulates as a pink yellow powder, the precipitate was filtered with a Büchner funnel, washed with water and dried under vacuum. 498 mg of product were obtained as a light pink powder, 92% yield. m.p. 150 °C (dec) ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ(ppm): 12.83 (bs, 2H), 8.69 (s, 4H), 5.52 (dd, *J*₁ = 9.2, *J*₂ = 5.0, 2H), 2.81 (m, 4H), 2.21 (m, 2H), 2.05 (m, 2H) 1.44-1.12 (m, 26H); ¹³C NMR {¹H} (100.61 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ(ppm): 170.5, 162.2, 155.4, 131.1, 126.3, 125.9, 77.0, 53.3, 29.2, 28.0, 23.1; HRMS (ESI+) calcd. for: C₃₆H₄₅N₄O₁₂ [M+H]⁺ (m/z): 725.3034, found: 725.3062.

2-[7-(1-Carboxy-ethyl)-1,3,6,8-tetraoxo-3,6,7,8-tetrahydro-1H-benzo[*lmn*][3,8]phenanthrolin-2-yl]-propionic acid, (S,S)-2n

The reaction was performed on 3.728 mmol (1g) 1,4,5,8-naphthalenetetracarboxylic dianhydride and 7.457 mmol (664 mg) H-(L)-Ala-OH using synthetic method B.

Work-up: the dark brown residue was taken up into CH₃CN/MeOH (10 ml 2:1 v/v). This solution was added under stirring to 200 ml of 1N HCl. The resulting suspension was allowed to coagulate for 1 hour and then filtered using a Büchner funnel. The solid was then washed with 50 ml deionized water and dried *in vacuo*. The product was obtained in the form of a brown solid in 84% yield. m.p. 324-326°C (dec); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ(ppm): 12.84 (bs, 2H), 8.74 (s, 4H), 6.66 (bt, 2H), 5.62-5.56 (dd, *J*₁ = 21.0, *J*₂ = 7.0, 2H), 1.57-1.56 (d, *J*₁ = 7.0, 3H); ¹³C NMR {¹H} (100.61 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ(ppm): 171.0, 162.0, 130.9, 126.1, 49.0, 14.3; HRMS (ESI+) calcd. for: C₂₀H₁₅N₂O₈ [M+H]⁺ (m/z): 411.0828, found: 411.0833.

2-{7-[1-Carboxy-4-[N'-(2,2,5,7,8-pentamethyl-1-benzopyran-6-sulfonyl)-guanidino]butyl]-1,3,6,8-tetraoxo-3,6,7,8-tetrahydro-1H-benzo[*lmn*][3,8]phenanthrolin-2-yl]-5-[N'-(2,2,5,7,8-pentamethyl-1-benzopyran-6-sulfonyl)-guanidino]-pentanoic acid, (S,S)-2o

The reaction was performed on 0.373 mmol (100 mg) 1,4,5,8-naphthalenetetracarboxylic dianhydride and 0.746 mmol (329 mg) H-Arg(Pmc)-OH using synthetic method B.

Work-up: the dark brown residue was taken up into CH₃CN (4 ml). This solution was added under stirring to 80 ml of 1N HCl. The resulting suspension was allowed to coagulate for 1 hour and then filtered using a Büchner funnel. The solid was then washed with 50 ml deionized water and dried *in vacuo*. The product was obtained in the form of a pink-yellow solid in 98% yield. m.p. 280-284°C (dec); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ(ppm): 8.73 (s, 4H), 6.72 (bs, 3H), 6.34 (bs, 3H), 5.53-5.49 (dd, *J*₁ = 14.0, *J*₂ = 4.5, 2H), 3.09-2.97 (m, 4H), 2.40 (s, 6H), 2.38 (s, 6H), 2.27-2.18 (m, 2H), 2.06-1.96 (m, 8H), 1.73-1.70 (t, 4H), 1.51-1.35 (t, 4H), 1.22 (s, 12H); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CD₃OD) δ(ppm): 8.68 (s, 4H), 5.62-5.58 (dd, *J*₁ = 14.5, *J*₂ = 5.0, 2H), 3.19-3.15 (m, 4H), 2.58-2.55 (m, 4H), 2.44 (s, 6H), 2.42 (s, 6H), 2.35-2.28 (m, 2H), 2.18-2.09 (m, 2H), 2.02 (s, 6H), 1.77-1.74 (t, 4H), 1.61-1.45 (m, 4H), 1.25 (s, 12H); ¹³C NMR {¹H} (100.61 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ(ppm): 170.4, 162.3, 155.8, 152.3, 134.5, 134.3, 134.0, 131.2, 126.3, 125.9, 122.6, 117.7, 113.8, 73.4, 53.3, 35.7, 32.0, 26.4, 25.8, 20.6, 18.0, 16.9, 11.8.

1-[7-(1-Carboxy-cyclohexyl)-1,3,6,8-tetraoxo-3,6,7,8-tetrahydro-1H-benzo[*lmn*][3,8]phenanthrolin-2-yl]-cyclohexanecarboxylic acid, 2p

The reaction was performed on 0.373 mmol (100 mg) 1,4,5,8-naphthalenetetracarboxylic dianhydride and 0.746 mmol (107 mg) H-Ac6c-OH using synthetic method B.

Work-up: the dark brown residue was taken up into MeOH (10 ml). This suspension was added under stirring to 80 ml 0.1% Mg(ClO₄)₂ aqueous solution. The resulting suspension

was allowed to coagulate for 15 minutes and then filtered using a Büchner funnel. The solid was taken up into MeOH (10 ml) and added to 80 ml 1N HCl. The resulting suspension was allowed to coagulate for 1 hour and then filtered using a Büchner funnel. The solid was then washed with 50 ml deionized water and dried *in vacuo*. The product was obtained in the form of a pale-green solid in 40% yield. It is worth mentioning the poor solubility of the product as it precipitates upon standing from DMSO or DMF solutions. m.p. > 330 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMF-*d*₇) δ(ppm): 8.66 (s, 4H), 2.95-2.94 (m, 2H), 2.71-2.67 (m, 2H), 2.21-2.18 (m, 4H), 1.84-1.77 (m, 4H), 1.63-1.61 (m, 6H), 1.44-1.41 (m, 2H); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ(ppm): 12.45 (bs, 2H), 8.56 (s, 4H), 2.85-2.79 (m, 4H), 2.10-2.07 (m, 4H), 1.73-1.52 (m, 10H), 1.39-1.32 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR {¹H} (100.61 MHz, DMF-*d*₇) δ(ppm): 173.6, 165.0, 130.9, 128.5, 126.6, 67.8, 32.0, 25.8, 23.4; HRMS (ESI+) calcd. for: C₂₈H₂₇N₂O₈ [M+H]⁺ (m/z): 519.1767, found: 519.1772.

1-(1,3,6,8-Tetraoxo-1,3,6,8-tetrahydro-2-oxa-7-aza-pyren-7-yl)-cyclohexane-carboxylic acid, 3p

The compound was isolated from the reaction between 1,4,5,8- naphthalene-tetracarboxylic dianhydride (1.865 mmol, 500 mg) and H-Ac6c-OH (3.73 mmol, 535 mg) using synthetic method B. The dark brown residue was taken up into MeOH (40 ml) and added to 150 ml 1N HCl. The resulting suspension was allowed to coagulate for 1 hour and then filtered using a Büchner funnel. The a third of the solid was then dissolved in sat. NaHCO₃ (200 ml). The pH of the solution was lowered to 8 and the precipitate formed was allowed to coagulate over night and filtered. The filtrate was washed with 1N HCl (50 ml), followed by deionized water (50 ml) and dried *in vacuo*. The product was obtained in the form of a brown-green solid in 2% yield, containing *ca.* 10% (by ¹H NMR) H-Ac6c-OH (starting material) impurity. It is worth mentioning the poor solubility of product as it precipitates upon standing from under-saturated solutions in DMSO. m.p. > 330 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ(ppm): 12.06 (bs, 1H), 8.55-8.51 (d, *J* = 14.0, 4H), 2.82-2.77 (m, 2H), 2.07-2.04 (m, 2H), 1.73-1.53 (m, 5H), 1.38-1.32 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR {¹H} (100.61 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ(ppm): 172.9, 163.9, 163.2, 130.1, 129.7, 127.6, 127. 3, 126.8, 125.3, 67.9, 30.9, 24.8, 22.4.

(R)-2-{7-[(S)-1-Carboxy-2-(1-trityl-1*H*-imidazol-4-yl)-ethyl]-1,3,6,8-tetraoxo-3,6,7,8-tetrahydro-1*H*-benzo[*lmn*][3,8]phenanthrolin-2-yl}-3-tritylsulfanyl-propionic acid, (R,S)-4a

Work up: the dark brown oil was taken up into CHCl₃ (100 ml). The organic phase was washed with 1N HCl (2 x 50 ml), brine (1 x 75 ml) and dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure and dried under high-vacuum. The product was obtained in the form of a tan solid in 81% yield. m.p. 170-172°C (dec); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ(ppm): 13.21 (bs, 2H), 8.75-8.68 (dd, *J*₁ = 26.5, *J*₂ = 7.5, 4H), 7.23-7.12 (m, 26H), 6.80-6.78 (d, *J*₁ = 7.5, 5H), 5.84-5.80 (dd, *J*₁ = 15.0, *J*₂ = 4.5, 1H), 5.61-5.57 (dd, *J*₁ = 15.0, *J*₂ = 4.5, 1H), 3.48-3.33 (m, 2H), 3.13-3.08 (dd, *J*₁ = 17.0, *J*₂ = 4.5, 1H), 3.00-2.94 (dd, *J*₁ = 23.5, *J*₂ = 10.5, 1H); ¹³C NMR {¹H} (100.62 MHz, CDCl₃) δ(ppm): 169.7, 169.5, 169.1, 143.9, 141.1, 131.6, 131.3, 129.5, 128.9, 128.9, 128.5, 128.0, 127.9, 127.7, 127.5, 126.7, 126.6, 126.2, 126.1, 125.5, 66.5, 66.4; HRMS (ESI+) calcd. for: C₆₁H₄₅N₄O₈S [M+H]⁺ (m/z): 993.2958, found: 993.2909.

(S)-2-{7-[(S)-1-Carboxy-2-(4-hydroxy-phenyl)-ethyl]-1,3,6,8-tetraoxo-3,6,7,8-tetrahydro-1H-benzo[*lmn*][3,8]phenanthroline-2-yl}-succinic acid 1-methyl ester, (S,S)-4c

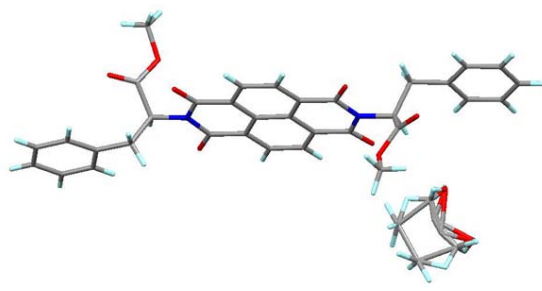
Work up: the dark brown oil was taken up into CHCl_3 (10 ml). This solution was added under stirring to 75 ml of 1N HCl. The resulting suspension was filtered using a Büchner funnel. The brown solid was then recrystallized from acetone/hexane and dried *in vacuo*. The product was obtained in the form of a orange solid in 90% yield. m.p. 160-162°C (dec); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, Acetone- d_6) δ (ppm): 10.81 (bs, 1H), 8.77-8.71 (dd, $J_1 = 24.5$, $J_2 = 7.5$, 4H), 7.02-6.99 (d, 2H, $J = 8.5$), 6.55-6.53 (d, $J = 8.5$, 2H), 6.27-6.24 (dd, $J_1 = 13.5$, $J_2 = 5.0$, 1H), 6.02-5.98 (dd, $J_1 = 15.5$, $J_2 = 5.5$, 1H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 3.61-3.38 (m, 3H), 2.97-2.91 (m, 1H); ^{13}C NMR $\{^1\text{H}\}$ (100.62 MHz, Acetone- d_6) δ (ppm): 171.8, 170.5, 170.0, 163.2, 163.1, 156.7, 131.9, 131.0, 129.0, 127.8, 127.5, 127.5, 127.2, 115.8, 54.5, 52.9, 50.6, 34.4; HRMS (ESI+) calcd. for: $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{21}\text{N}_2\text{O}_{11}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ (m/z): 561.1145, found: 561.1169.

(S)-2-{7-[(S)-2-(1H-Indol-3-yl)-1-methoxycarbonyl-ethyl]-1,3,6,8-tetraoxo-3,6,7,8-tetrahydro-1H-benzo[*lmn*][3,8]phenanthroline-2-yl}-3-methyl-pentanoic acid methyl ester, (S,S)-4d

Work up: the dark brown oil was taken up into CH_3CN (15 ml). This solution was added under stirring to 75 ml of 1N HCl. The resulting suspension was allowed to coagulate overnight and then filtered using a Büchner funnel. The solid was then washed with 100 ml deionized water and dried *in vacuo*. The product was obtained in the form of a red-brown solid in 65% yield. m.p. 122-124°C; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ (ppm): 10.66 (bs, 1H), 8.71-8.64 (dd, $J_1 = 26.5$, $J_2 = 7.5$, 4H), 7.51-7.49 (d, $J = 8.0$, 1H), 7.20-7.18 (d, $J = 8.0$, 1H), 7.05-7.04 (d, $J = 2.0$, 1H), 6.95-6.91 (dd, $J_1 = 16.0$, $J_2 = 8.0$, 1H), 6.84-6.81 (dd, $J_1 = 16.0$, $J_2 = 8.0$, 1H), 6.00-5.90 (dd, $J_1 = 15.0$, $J_2 = 5.5$, 1H), 5.33-5.30 (d, $J = 8.5$, 1H), 3.73-3.67 (m, 4H), 3.57 (s, 3H), 3.52-3.46 (dd, $J_1 = 23.5$, $J_2 = 9.0$, 1H), 2.47-2.40 (m, 1H), 1.33-1.26 (m, 1H), 1.18-1.16 (d, $J = 6.5$, 3H), 0.95-0.86 (m, 1H), 0.76-0.72 (t, 3H); ^{13}C NMR $\{^1\text{H}\}$ (100.62 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ (ppm): 169.5, 169.1, 135.9, 131.5, 131.3, 127.0, 123.8, 120.8, 118.2, 117.9, 111.2, 109.5, 79.1, 57.6, 53.9, 52.3, 52.1, 33.3, 24.5, 24.0, 17.5, 10.9; HRMS (ESI+) calcd. for: $\text{C}_{33}\text{H}_{29}\text{N}_3\text{NaO}_8$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ (m/z): 618.1852, found: 618.1838.

X-ray Characterization Data:

Table S1. Crystal data and structure refinement for $C_{34}H_{26}N_2O_8 \cdot C_3H_6O$

Identification code	js0611	
Empirical formula	$C_{37}H_{32}N_2O_9$	
Formula weight	648.65	
Temperature	180(2) K	
Wavelength	0.71073 Å	
Crystal system	Orthorhombic	
Space group	C222(1)	
Unit cell dimensions	$a = 9.2755(2)$ Å	
	$b = 13.5333(3)$ Å	
	$c = 25.1099(7)$ Å	
	$\alpha = 90^\circ$	
	$\beta = 90^\circ$	
	$\gamma = 90^\circ$	
Volume	$3152.00(13)$ Å ³	
Z	4	
Density (calculated)	1.367 Mg/m ³	
Absorption coefficient	0.099 mm ⁻¹	
F(000)	1360	
Crystal size	0.46 x 0.12 x 0.02 mm ³	
Theta range for data collection	2.66 to 27.47°	
Index ranges	-11 ≤ h ≤ 11, -16 ≤ k ≤ 17, -32 ≤ l ≤ 32	
Reflections collected	13658	
Independent reflections	2015 [R(int) = 0.0909]	
Completeness to theta = 30.04°	99.2 %	
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents	
Max. and min. transmission	1.001 and 0.861	
Averaged Friedel pairs	1524	
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²	
Data / restraints / parameters	2015 / 0 / 217	
Goodness-of-fit on F2	1.053	
Final R indices [I > 2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0488, wR2 = 0.1199	
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0961, wR2 = 0.1423	
Absolute structure parameter	-3(2)	
Extinction coefficient	0.0057(11)	
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.317 and -0.394 e.Å ⁻³	

Diffraction: Nonius KappaCCD area detector. **Data collection:** Collect (Collect: Data collection software, R. Hoof, Nonius B.V., 1998). **Data reduction:** Denzo (Z. Otwinowski & W. Minor, *Methods in Enzymology* (1997) Vol. 276: *Macromolecular Crystallography*, part A, pp. 307–326; C. W. Carter, Jr. & R. M. Sweet, Eds., Academic Press). **Structure refinement:** SHELXL97 (G. M. Sheldrick (1997), University of Göttingen, Germany). **Graphics:** Mercury ver. 1.4.1 (CCDC) and Ortep-3 for Windows ver. 1.08 (L. J. Farrugia, *J. Appl. Cryst.* (1997), 30, 565).

Special details: All hydrogen atoms were placed in idealized positions and refined using a riding model. The solvent is disordered acetone.

Figure S1. Top view of the molecular structure of **2f** showing the atom labeling scheme. Single crystals obtained from acetone solution. Displacement ellipsoids are scaled to the 50% probability level. A disordered acetone molecule has been removed for clarity.

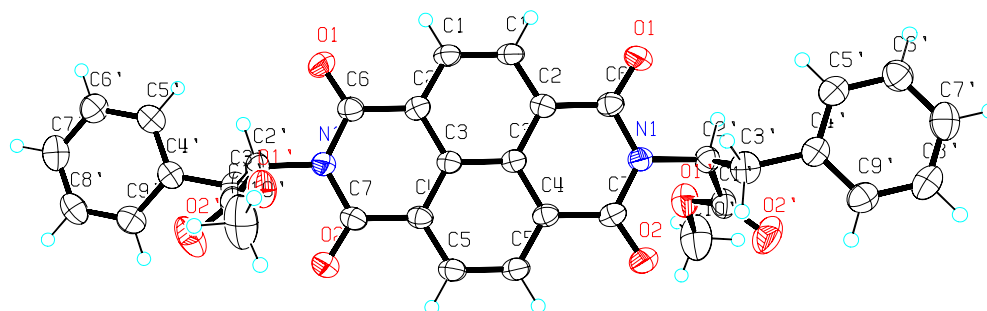


Figure S2. View of the molecular structure of **2f** normal to the (010) plane. Single crystals obtained from acetone solution. Displacement ellipsoids are scaled to the 50% probability level. A disordered acetone molecule has been removed for clarity.

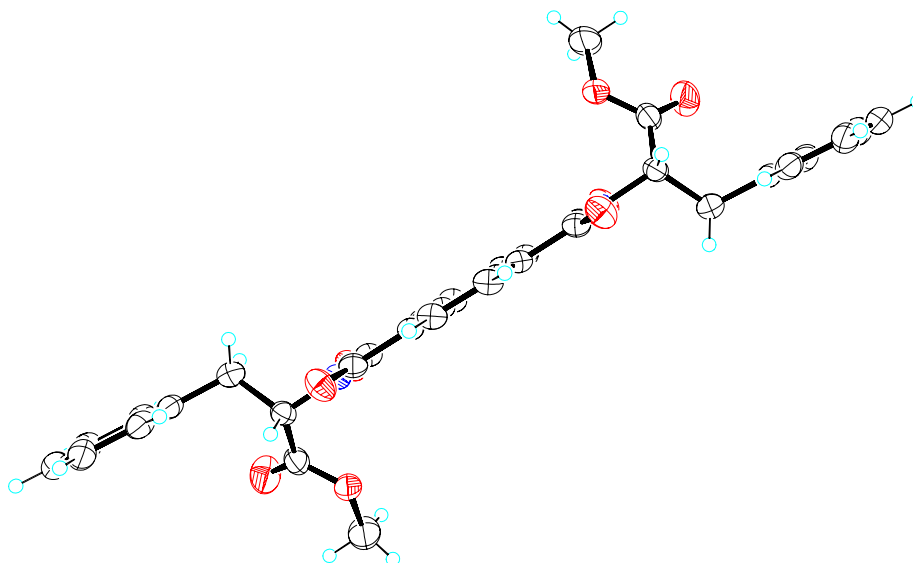


Figure S3. Unit cell packing diagram for single crystals of **2f** obtained from acetone. View normal to (010) plane.

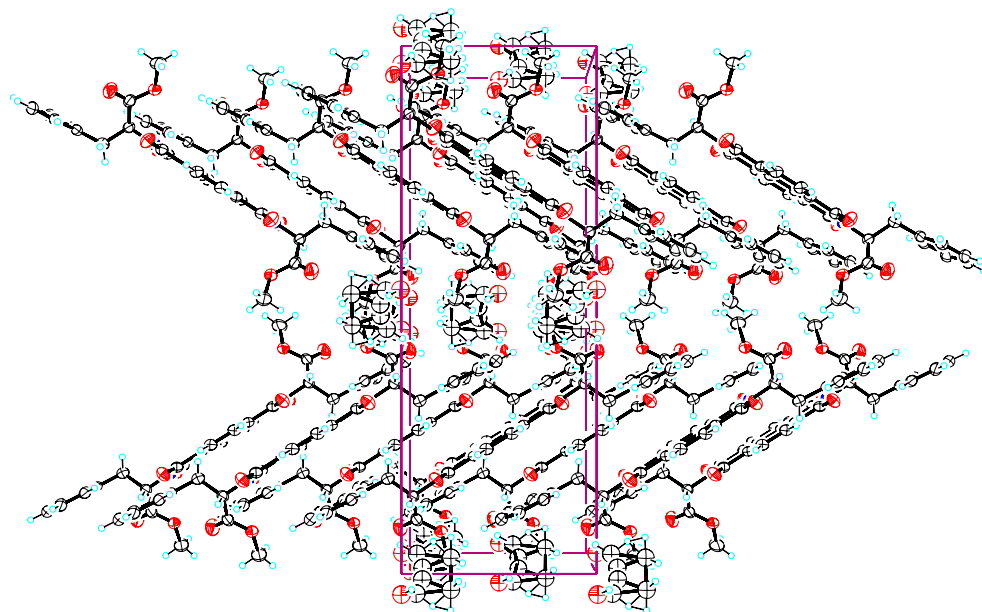
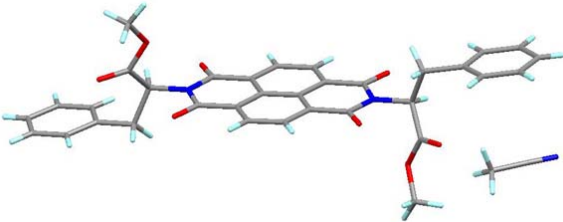


Table S2. Crystal data and structure refinement for C₃₄H₂₆N₂O₈·C₂H₃N

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Empirical formula	C ₃₆ H ₂₉ N ₃ O ₈	
Formula weight	631.62	
Temperature	120(2) K	
Wavelength	0.71073 Å	
Crystal system	Triclinic	
Space group	P1	
Unit cell dimensions	a = 8.0870(1) Å	α = 82.999(1)°
	b = 8.2484(1) Å	β = 81.897(1)°
	c = 12.1896(3) Å	γ = 68.672(1)°
Volume	747.65(2) Å ³	
Z	1	
Density (calculated)	1.403 Mg/m ³	
Absorption coefficient	0.100 mm ⁻¹	
F(000)	330	
Crystal size	0.46 x 0.46 x 0.14 mm ³	
Theta range for data collection	3.73 to 30.04°	
Index ranges	-11 ≤ h ≤ 11, -11 ≤ k ≤ 11, -17 ≤ l ≤ 17	
Reflections collected	11161	
Independent reflections	4330 [R(int) = 0.0209]	
Completeness to theta = 30.04°	98.9 %	
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents	
Max. and min. transmission	0.990 and 0.945	
Averaged Friedel pairs	2465	
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²	
Data / restraints / parameters	4330 / 3 / 426	
Goodness-of-fit on F2	1.095	
Final R indices [I > 2σ(I)]	R1 = 0.0339, wR2 = 0.0957	
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0347, wR2 = 0.0965	
Absolute structure parameter	0.6(6)	
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.408 and -0.434 e.Å ⁻³	

Diffraction: Nonius KappaCCD area detector. **Data collection:** Collect (Collect: Data collection software, R. Hooft, Nonius B.V., 1998). **Data reduction:** Denzo (Z. Otwinowski & W. Minor, *Methods in Enzymology* (1997) Vol. **276**: *Macromolecular Crystallography*, part A, pp. 307–326; C. W. Carter, Jr. & R. M. Sweet, Eds., Academic Press). **Structure refinement:** SHELXL97 (G. M. Sheldrick (1997), University of Göttingen, Germany). **Graphics:** Mercury ver. 1.4.1 (CCDC) and Ortep-3 for Windows ver. 1.08 (L. J. Farrugia, *J. Appl. Cryst* (1997), **30**, 565).

Special details: All hydrogen atoms were placed in idealized positions and refined using a riding model.

Figure S4. Top view of the molecular structure of **2f** showing the atom labeling scheme. Single crystals obtained from CH_2Cl_2 / CH_3CN mixture. Displacement ellipsoids are scaled to the 50% probability level.

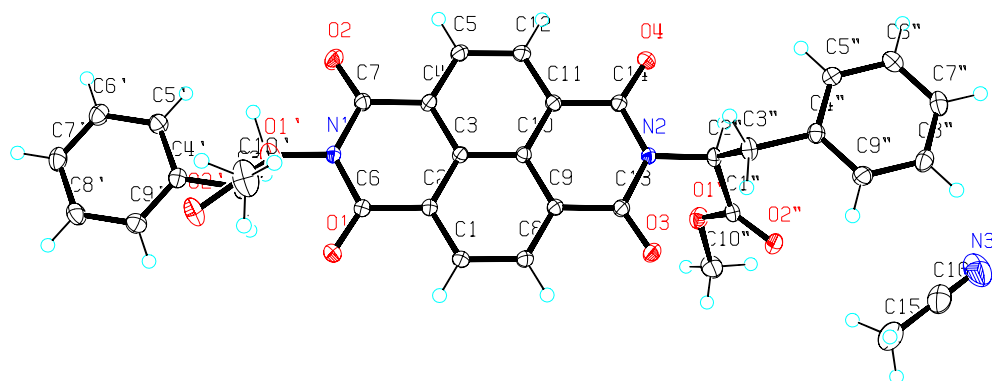
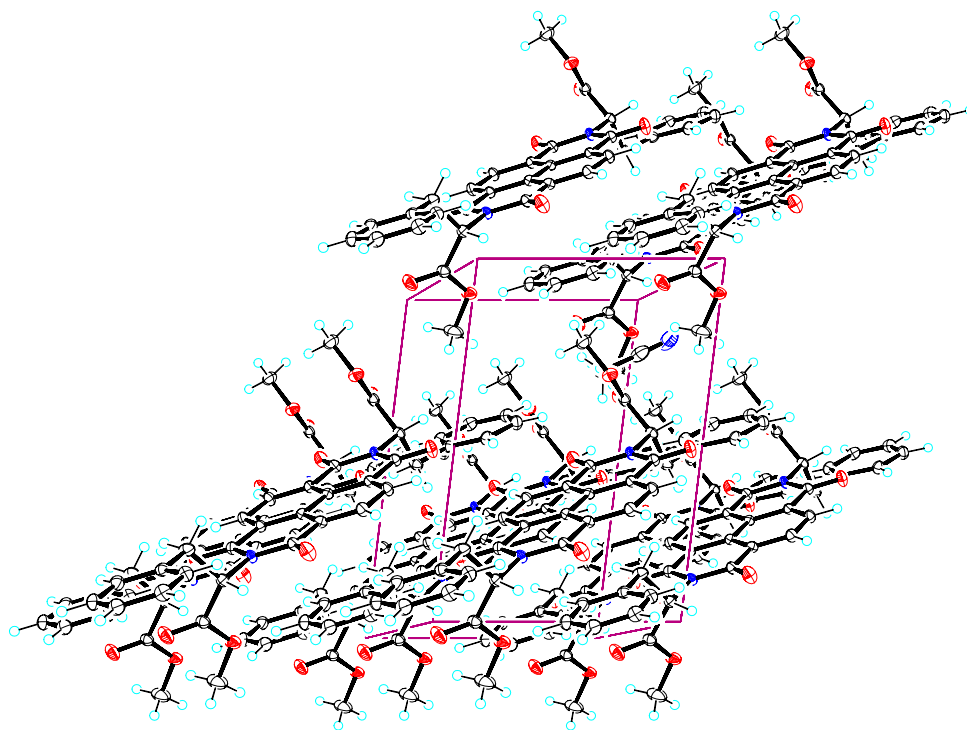
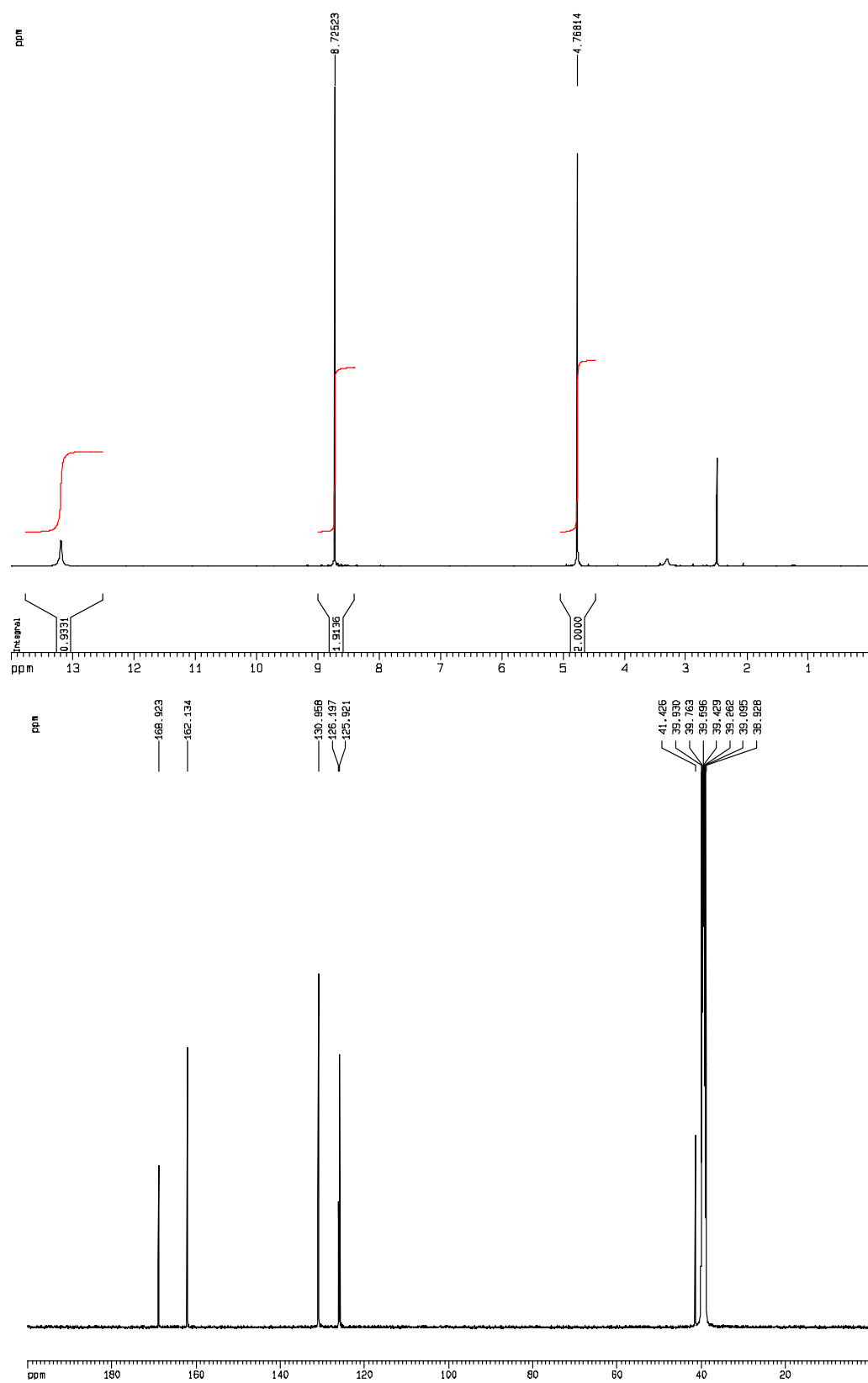


Figure S4. Unit cell packing diagram for single crystals of **2f** obtained from CH_2Cl_2 / CH_3CN mixture. View normal to (100) plane.

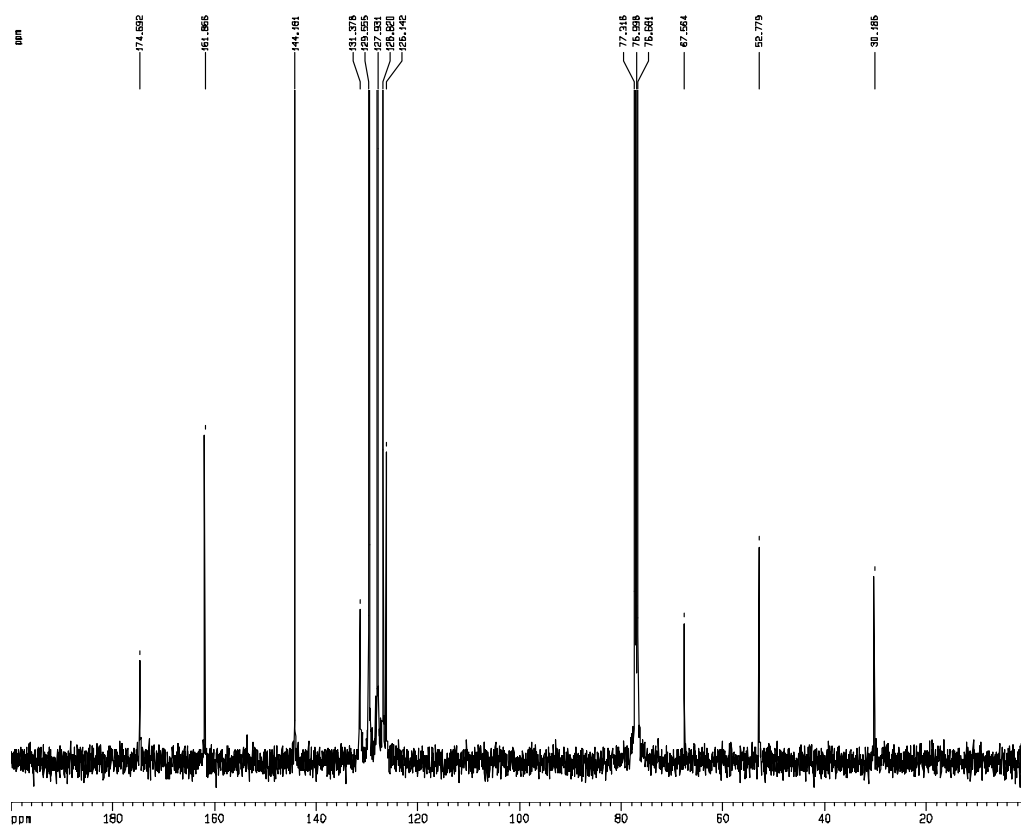
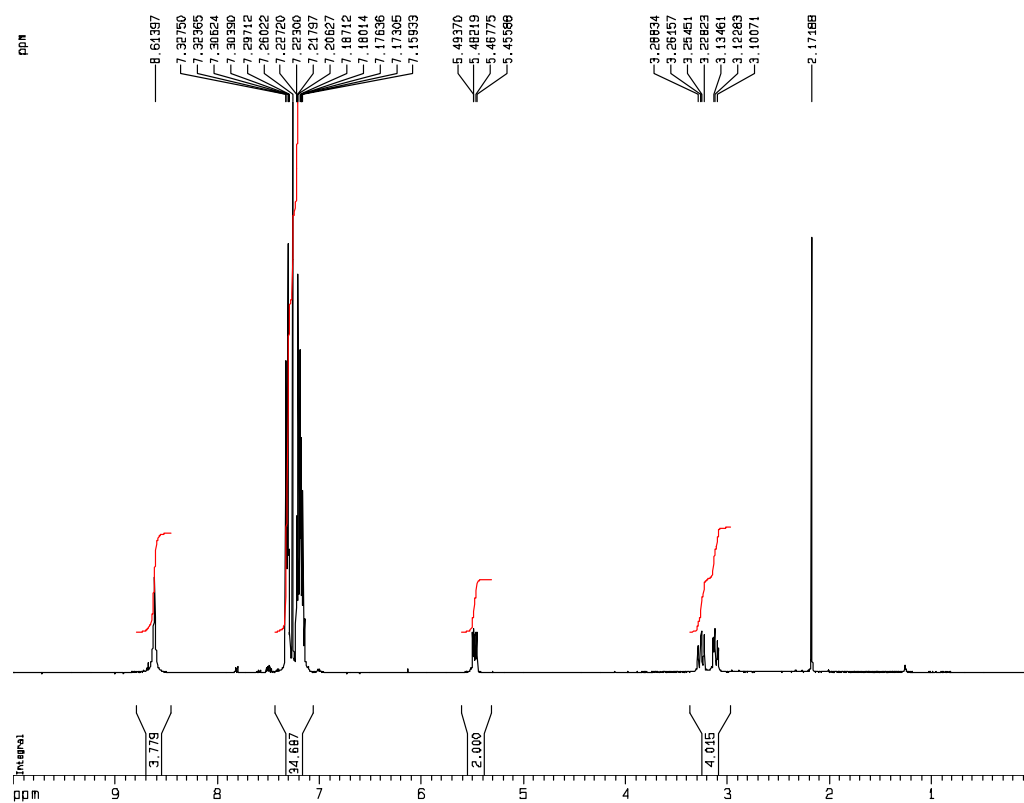


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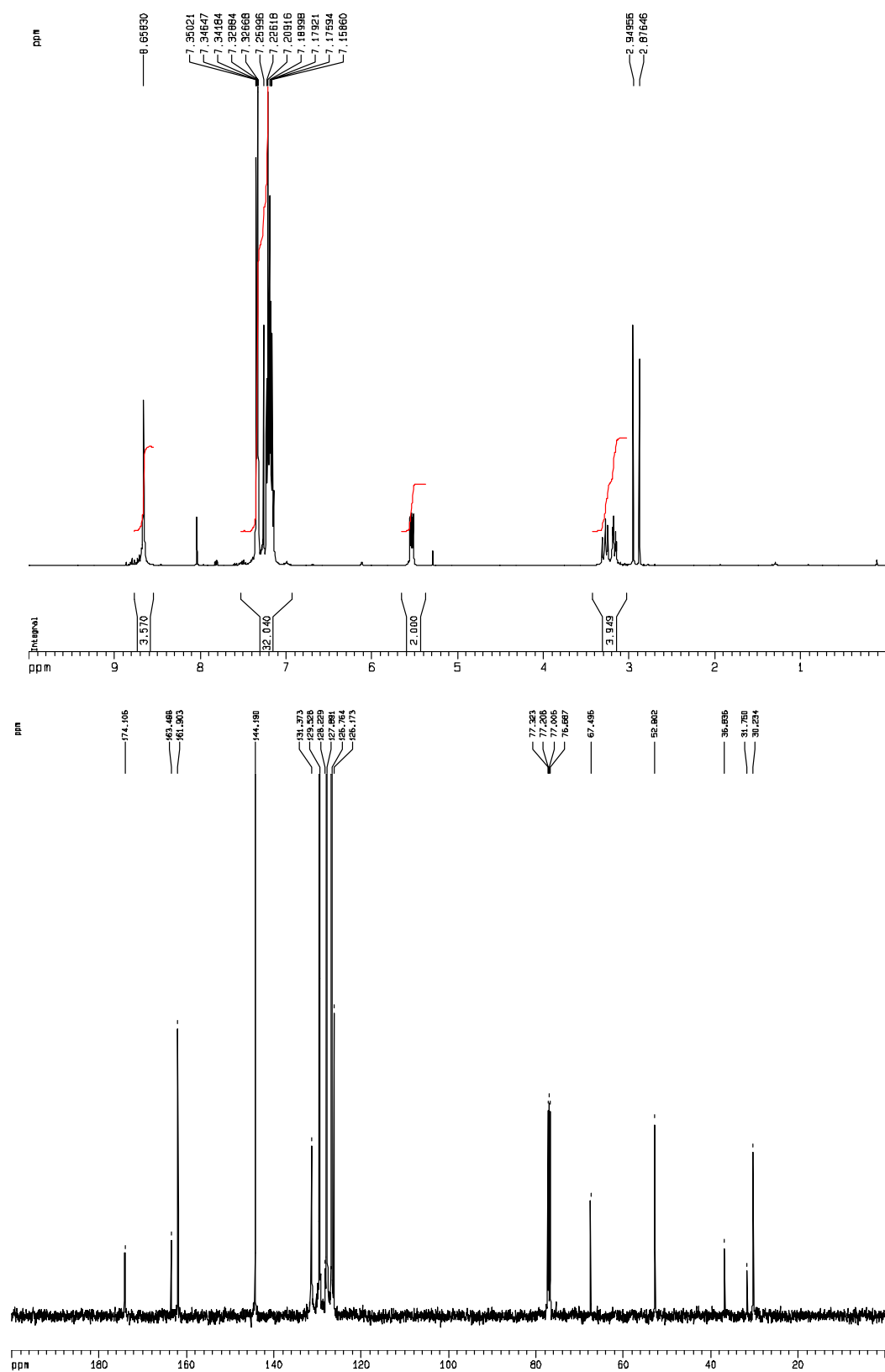
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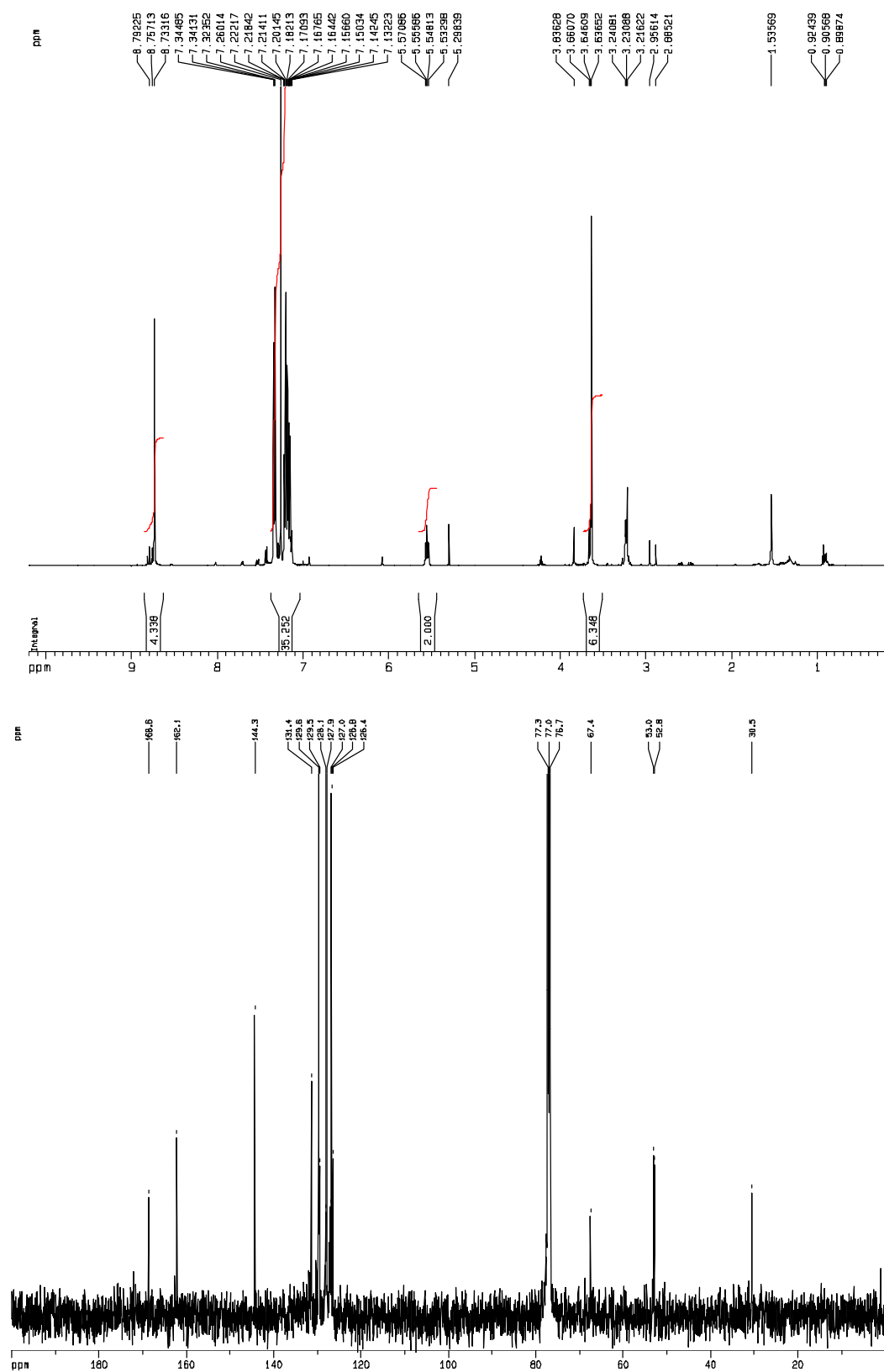
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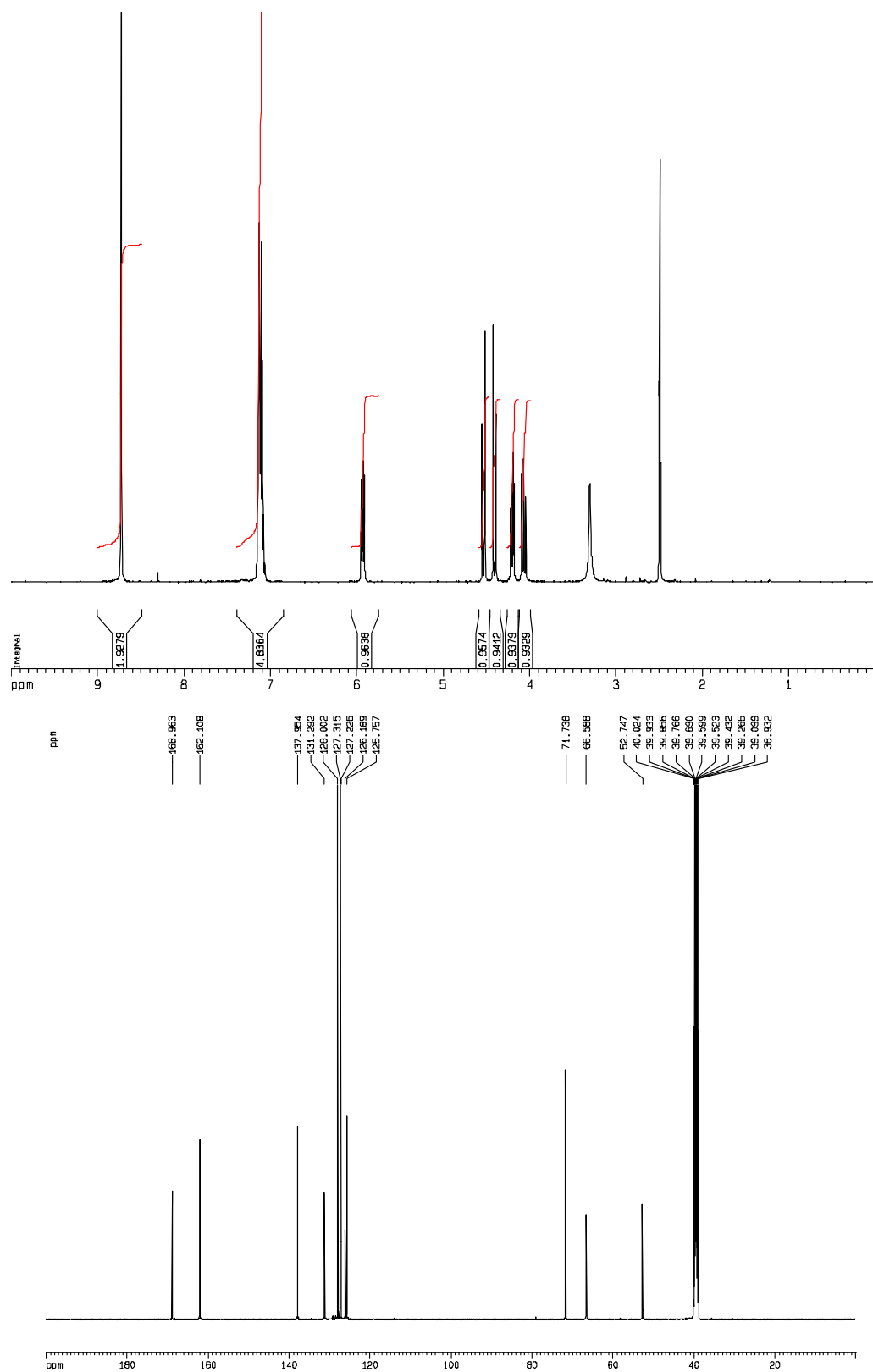
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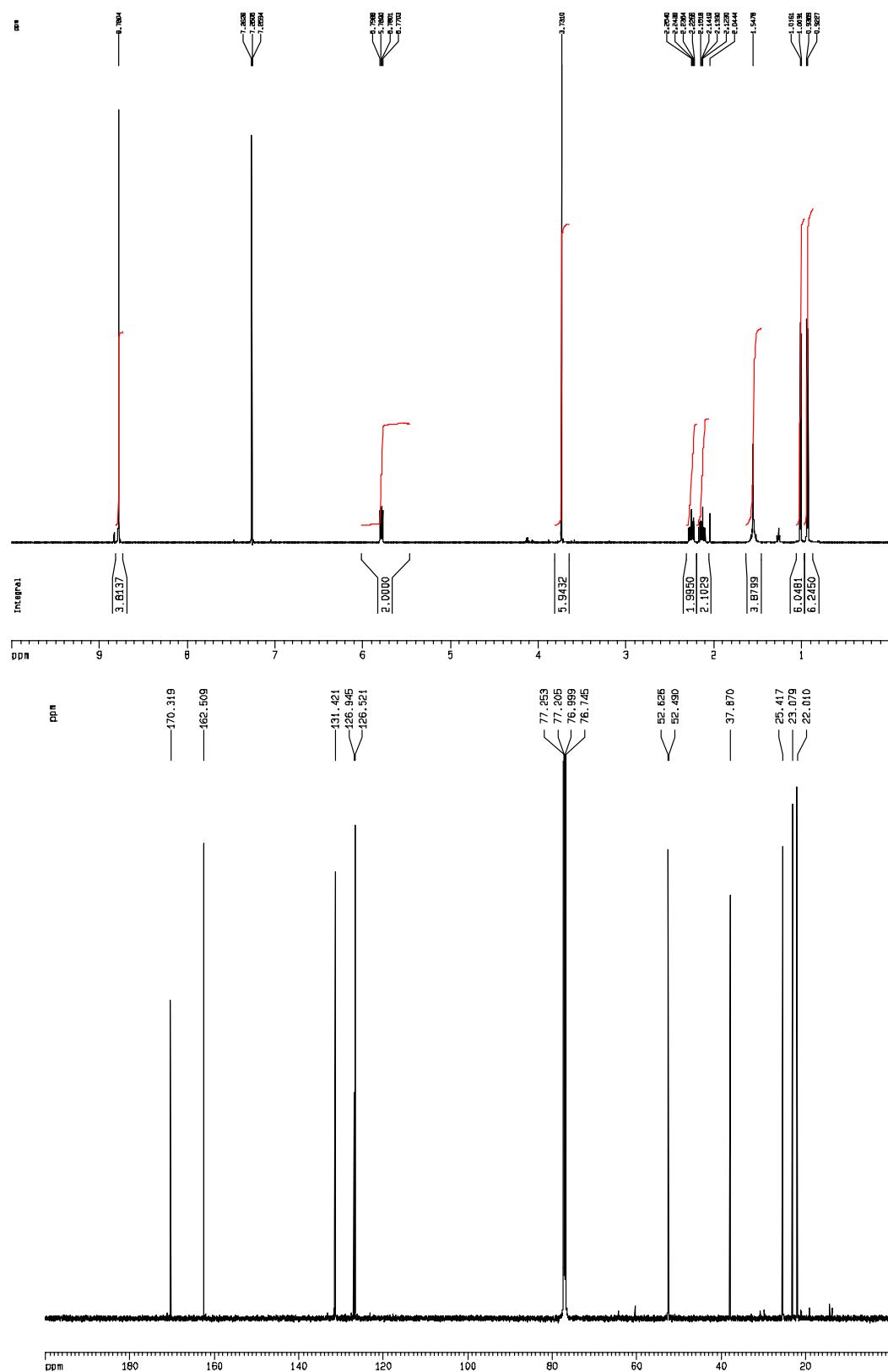
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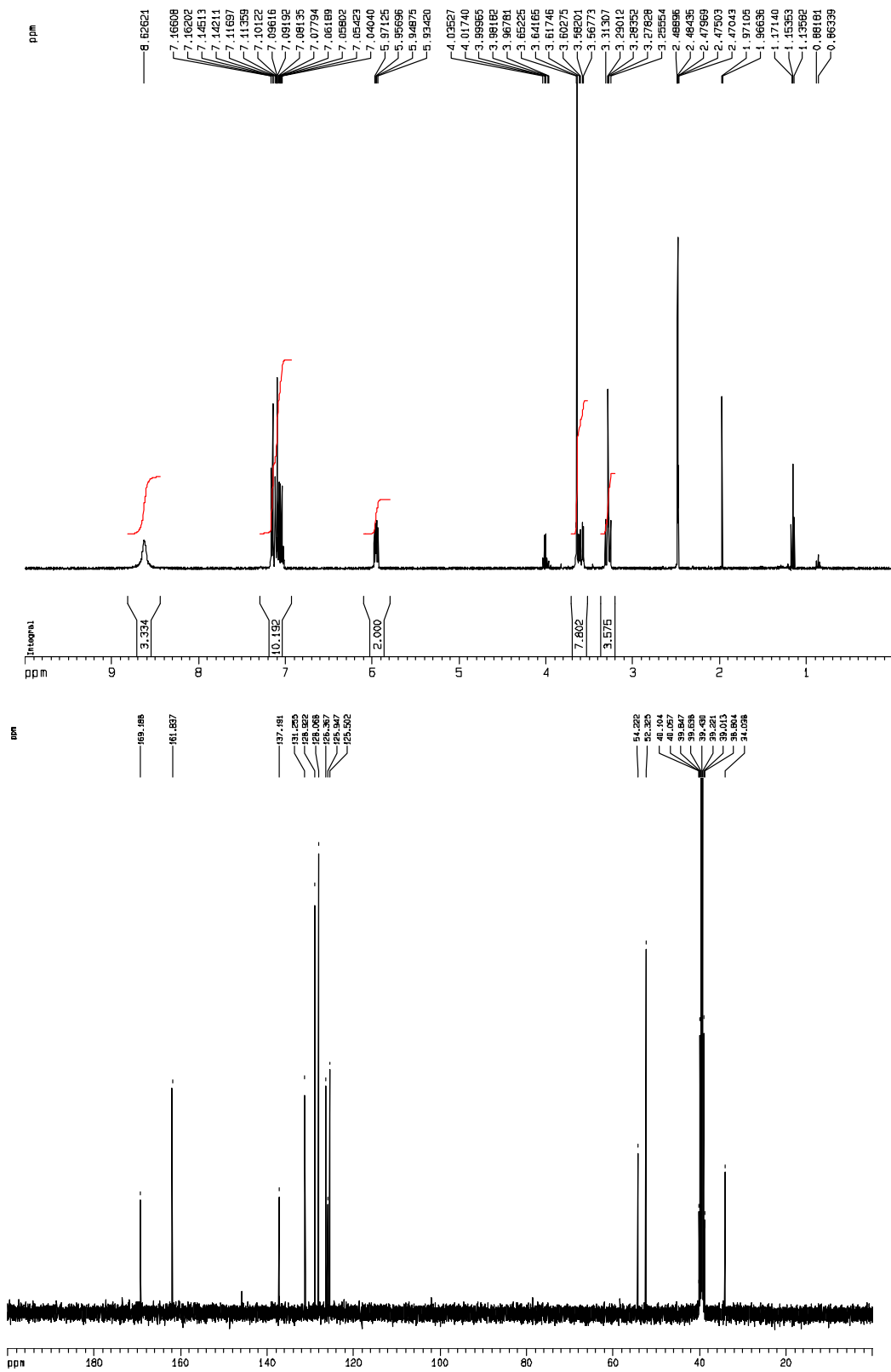
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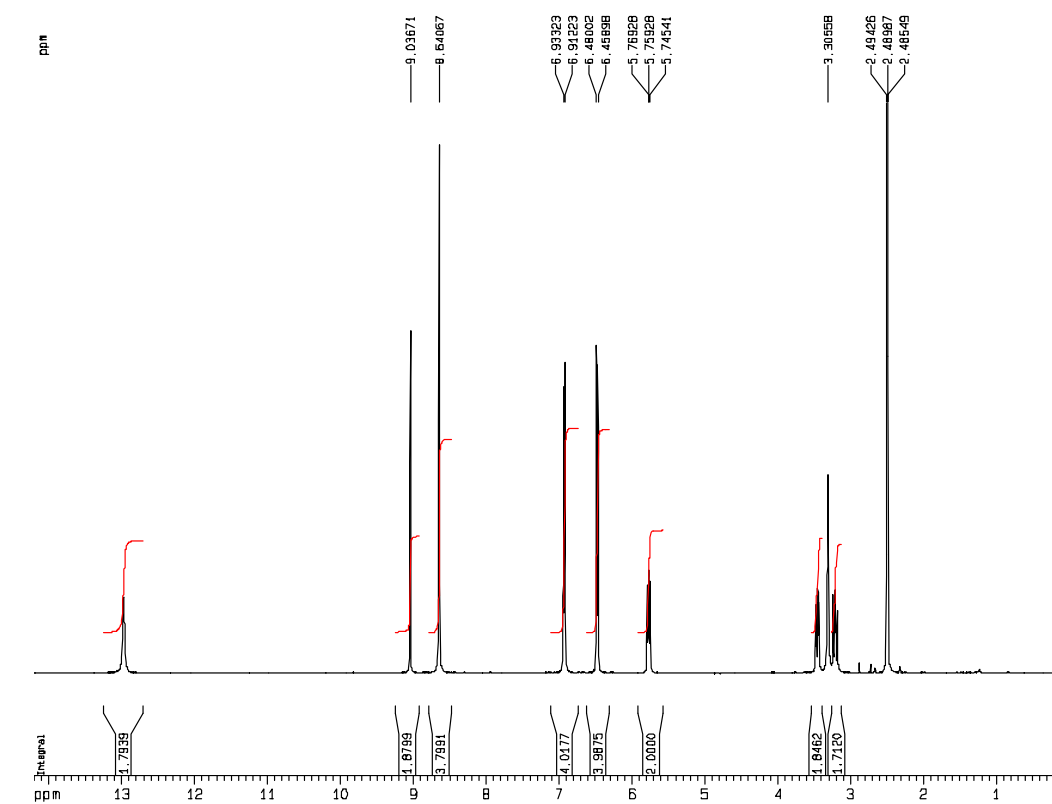
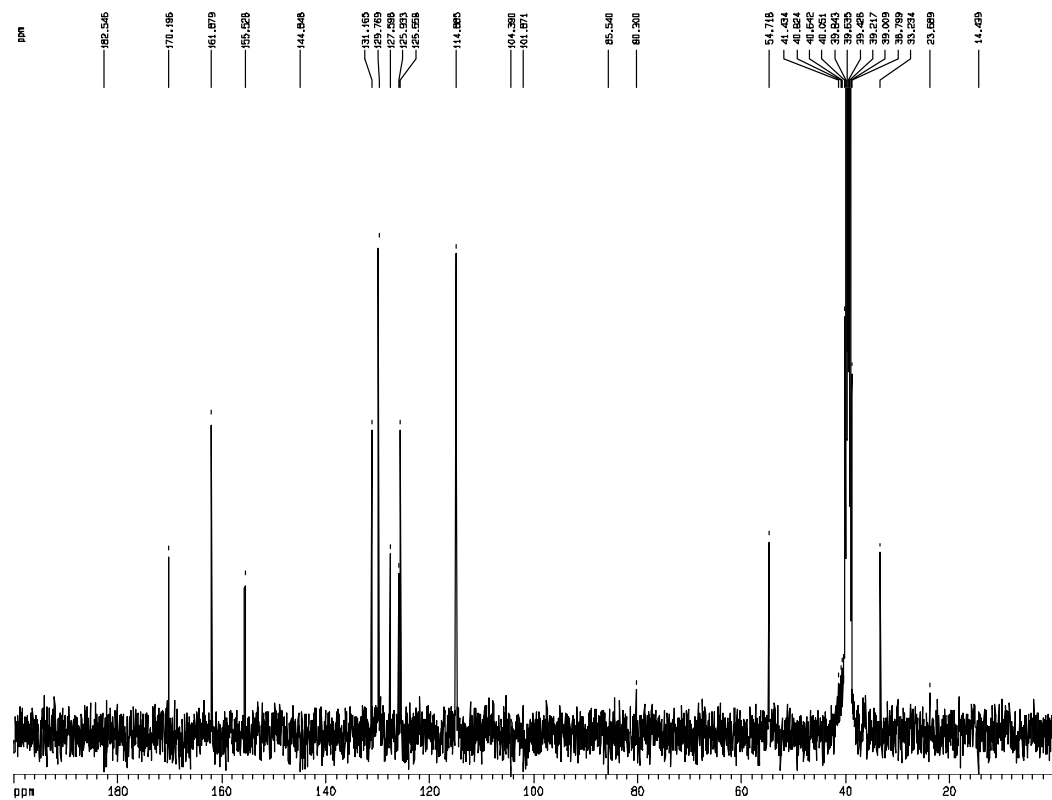
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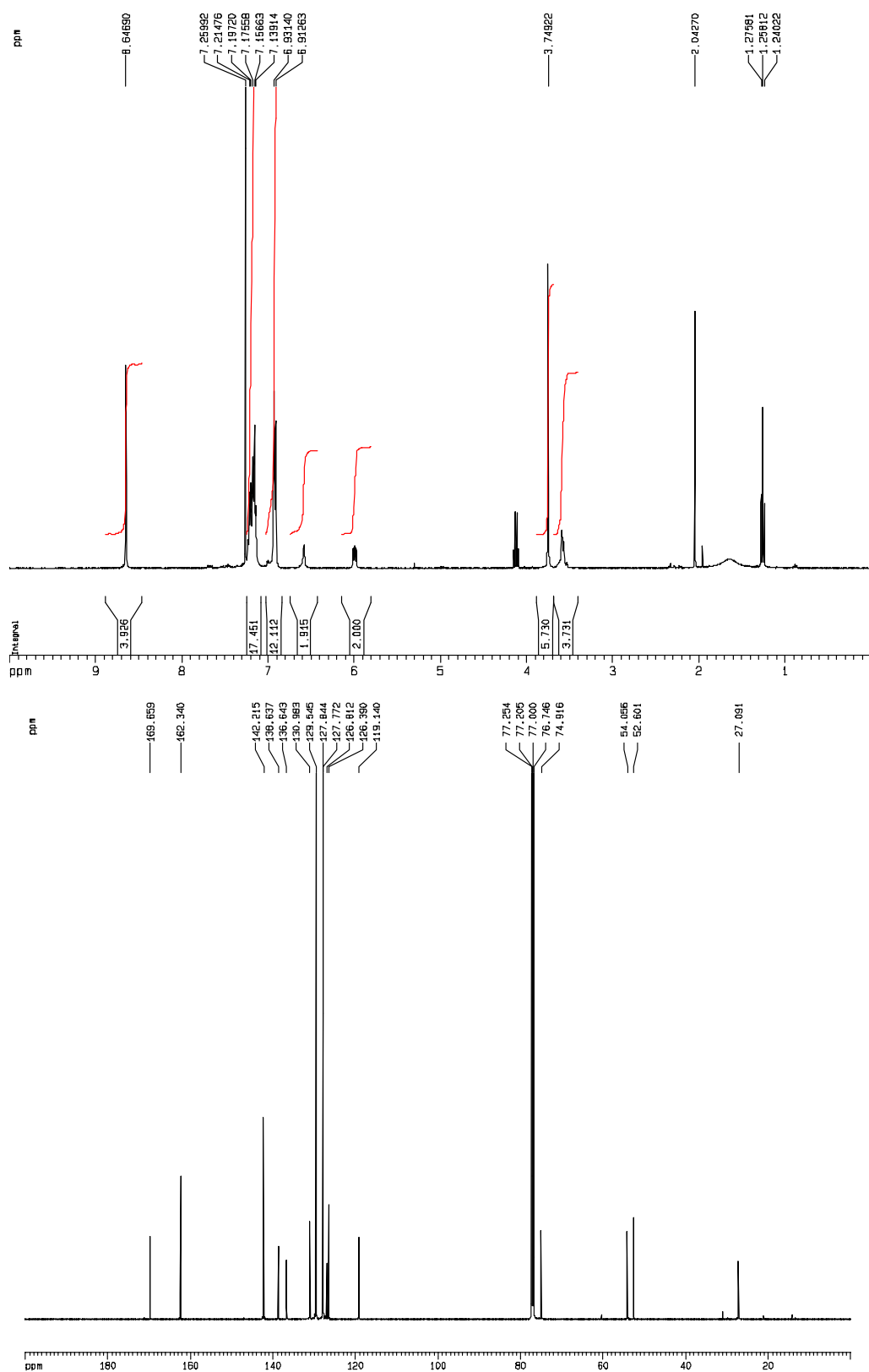
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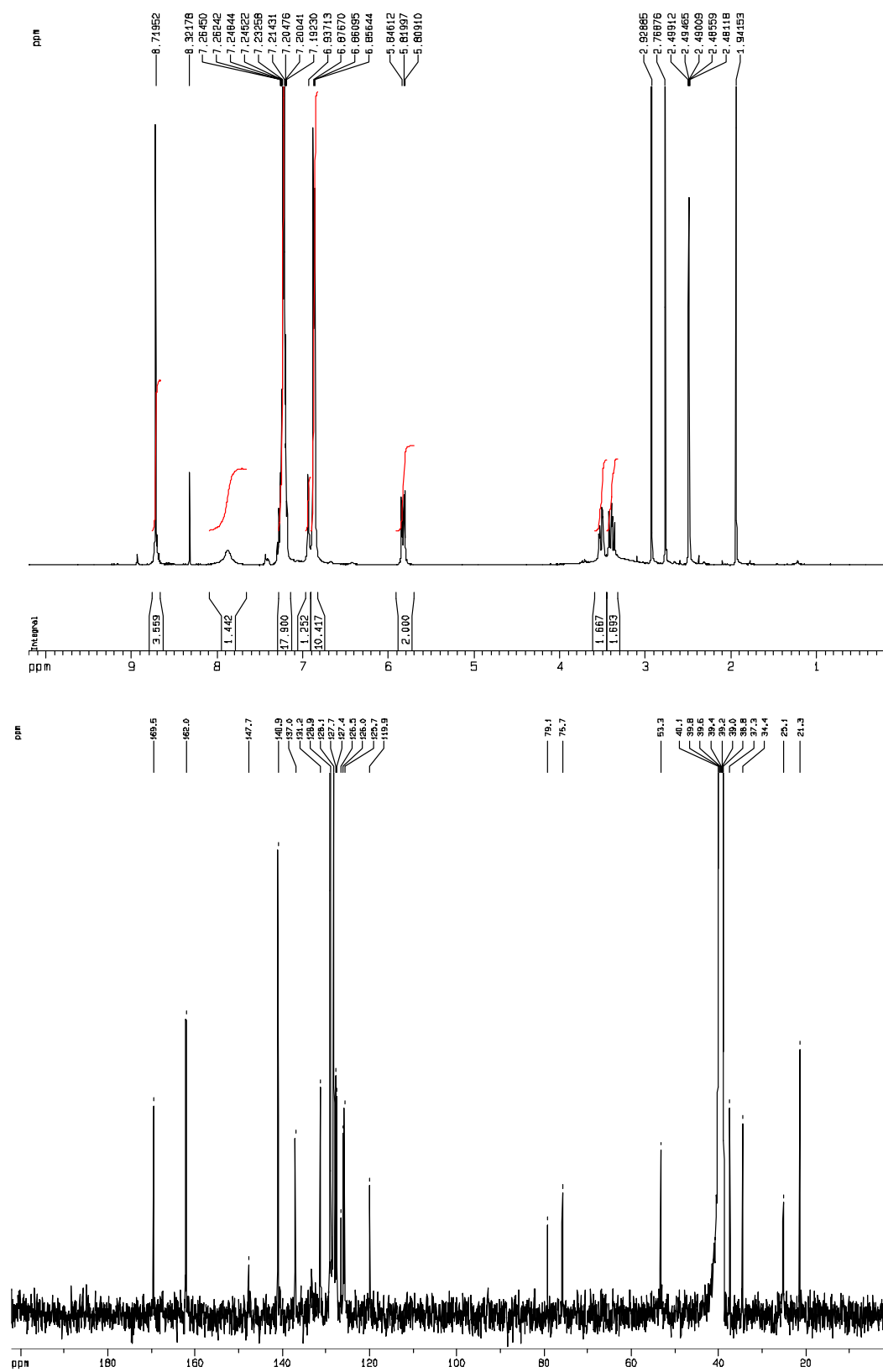
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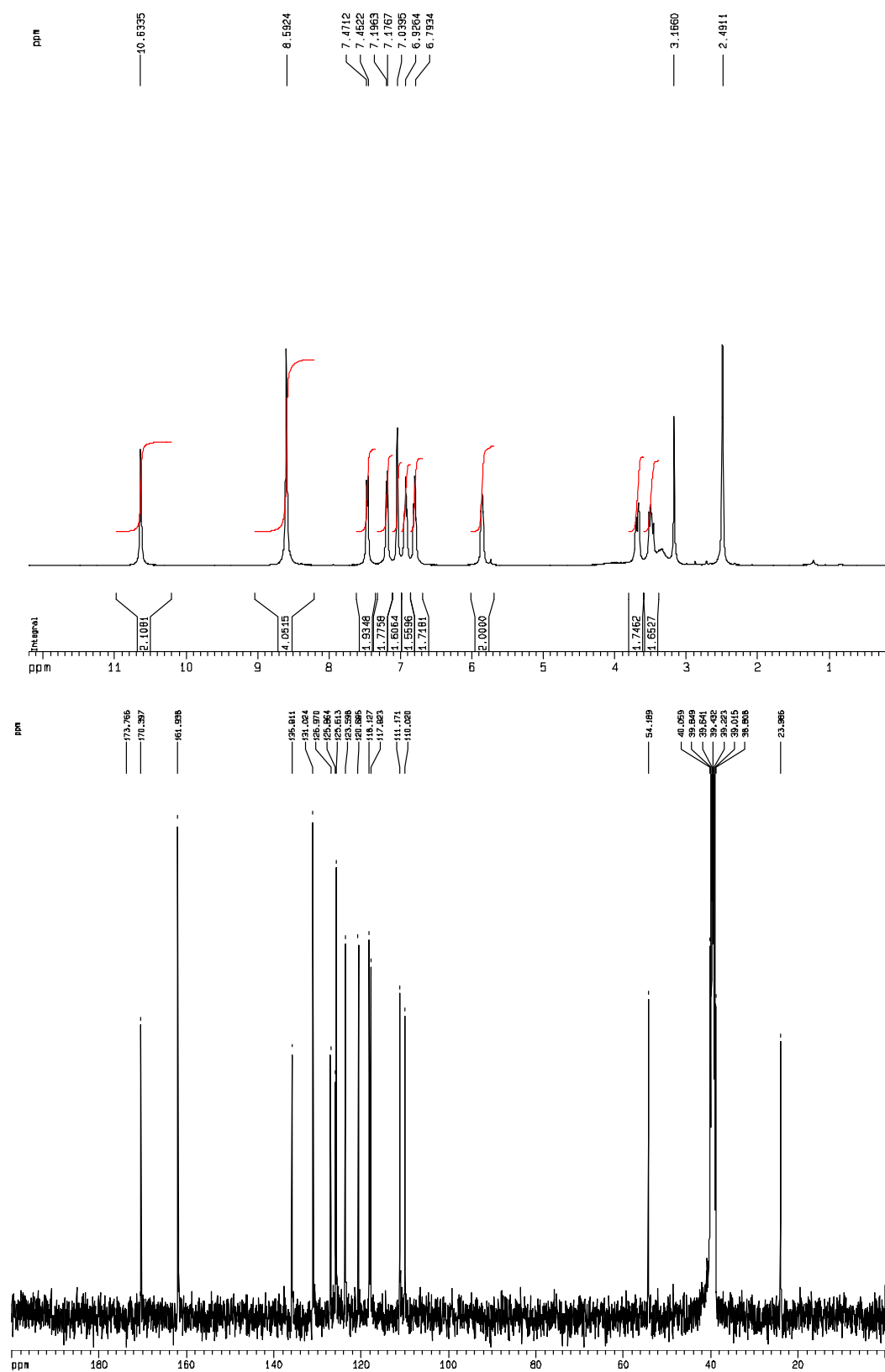
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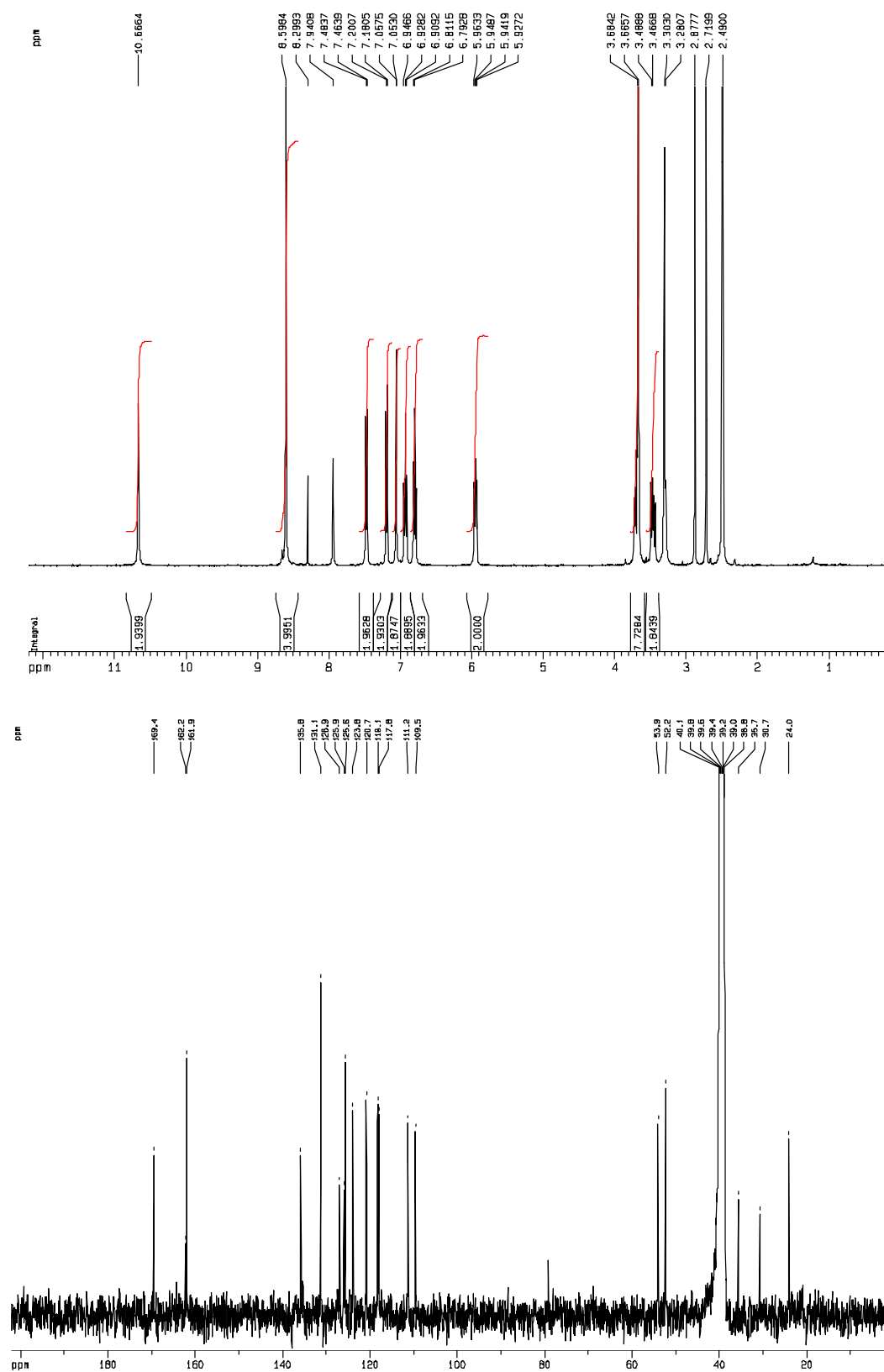
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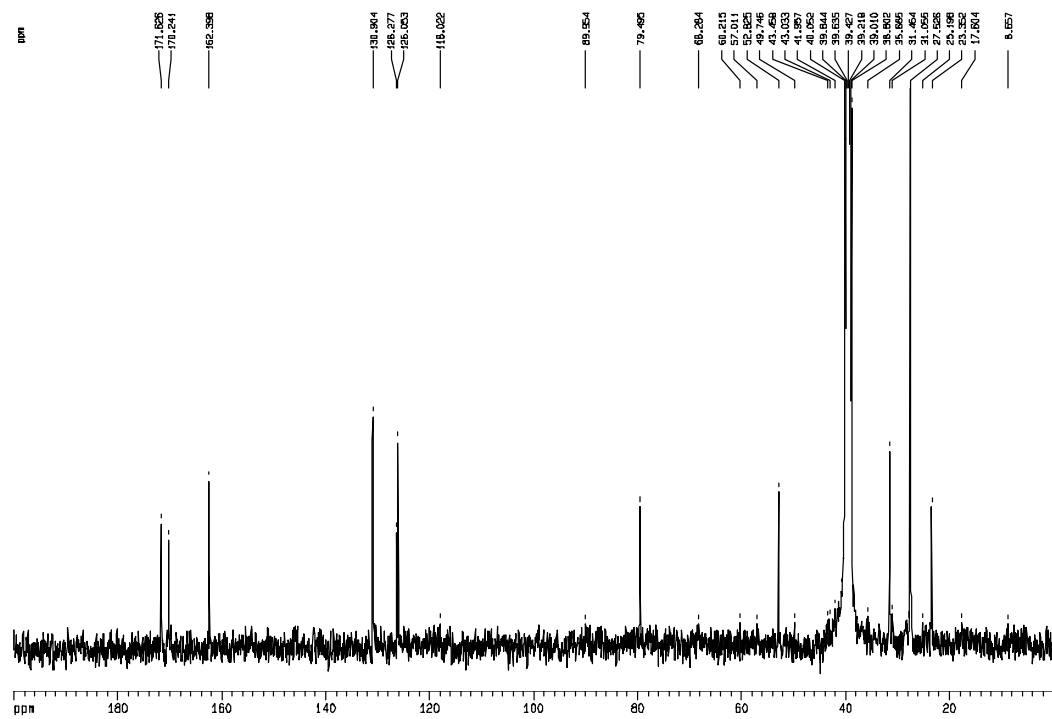
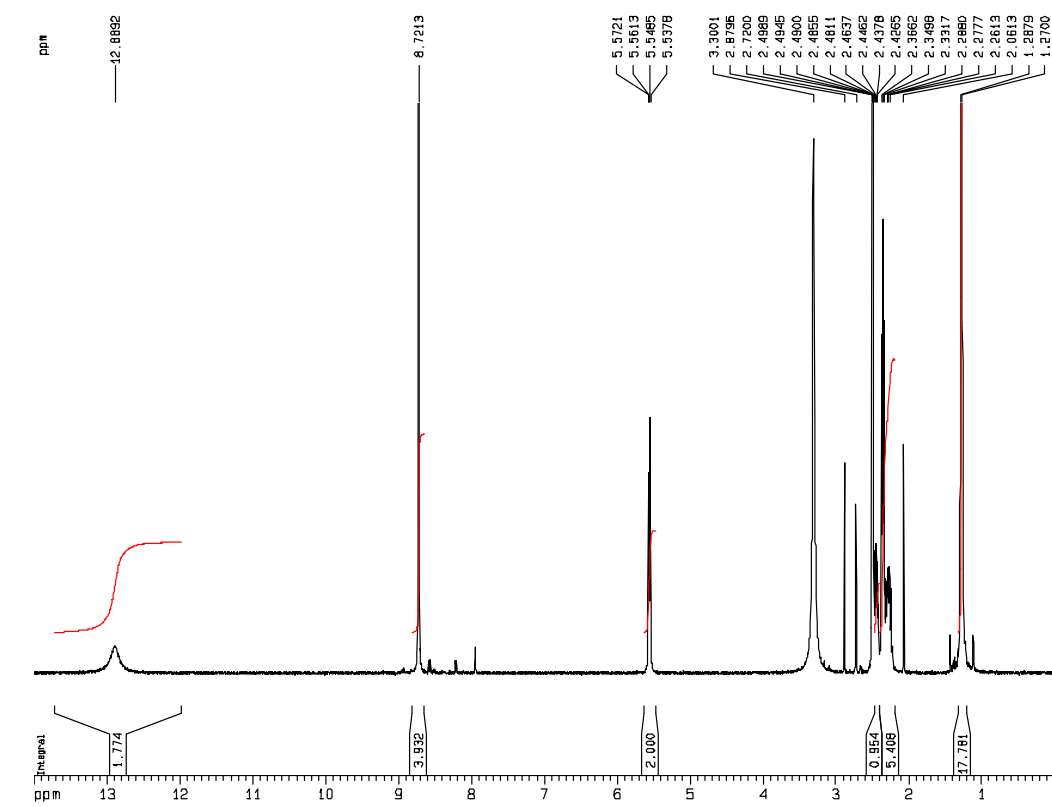
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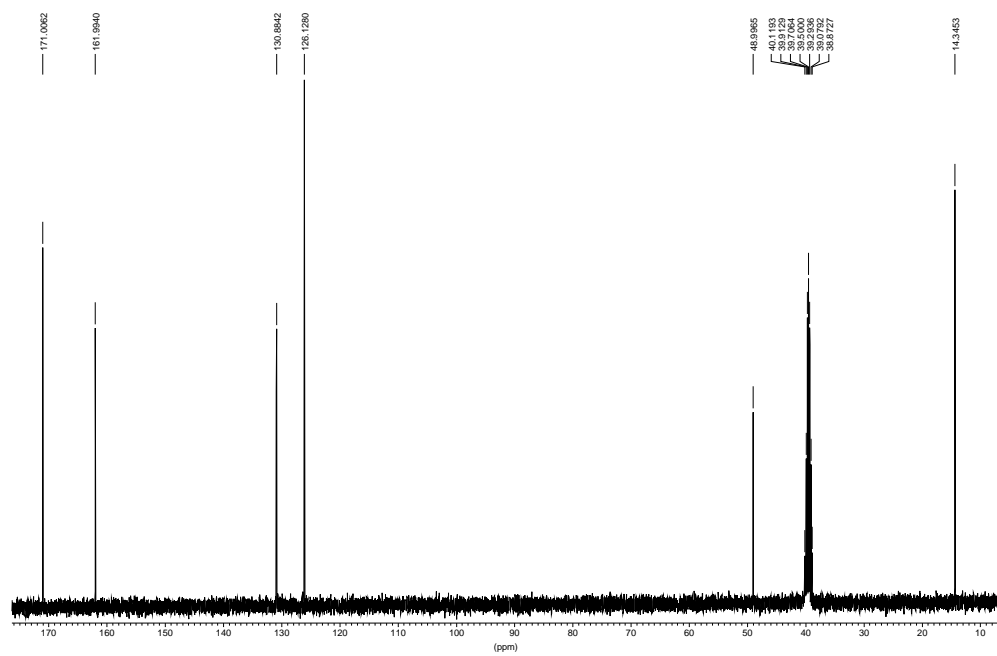
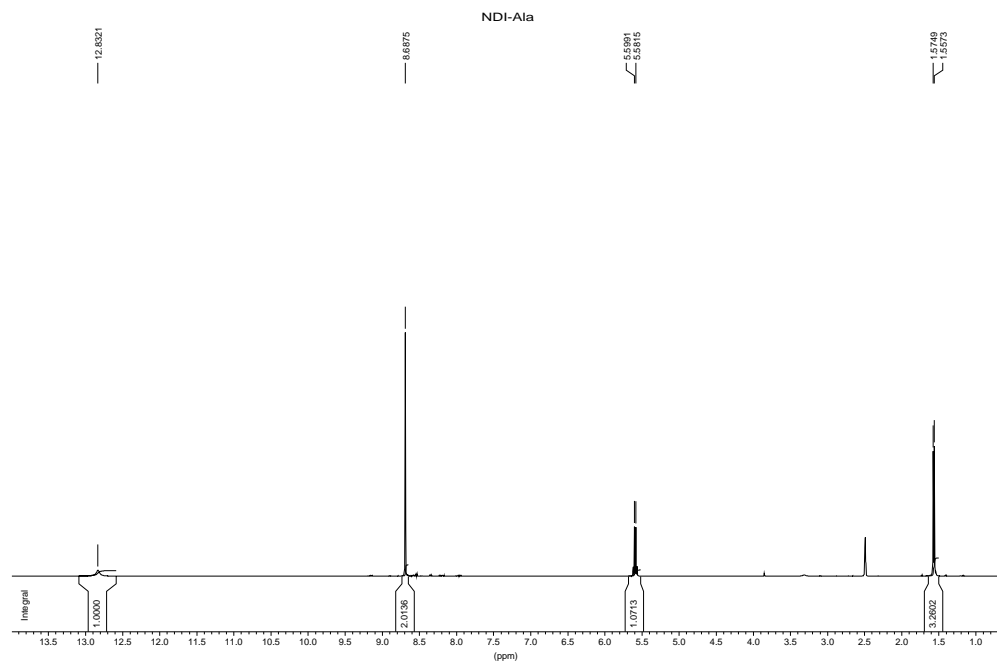
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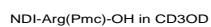
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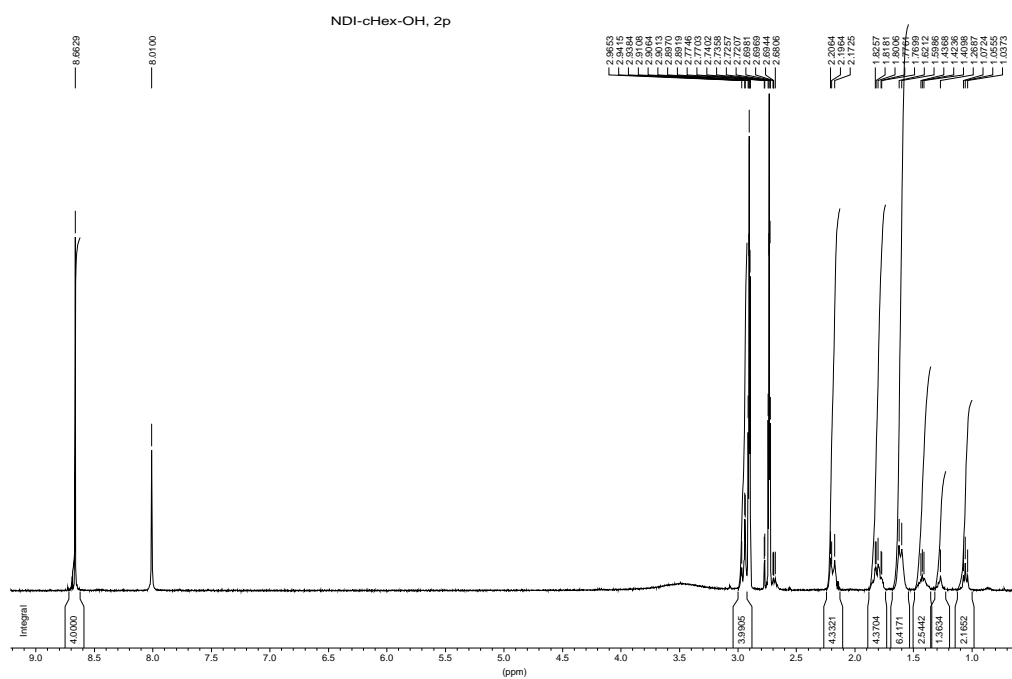
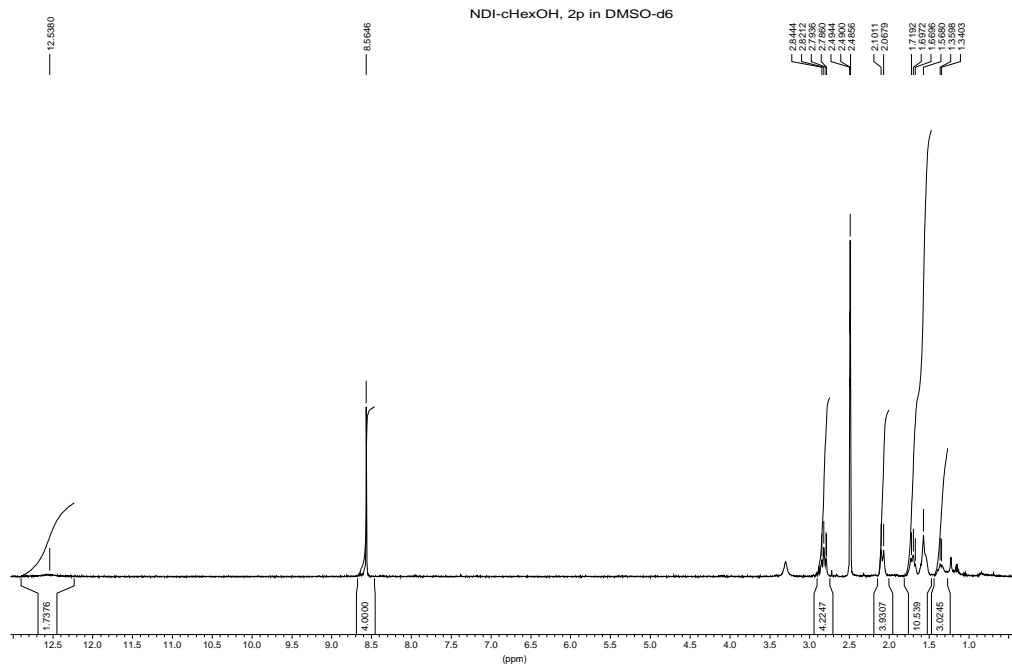
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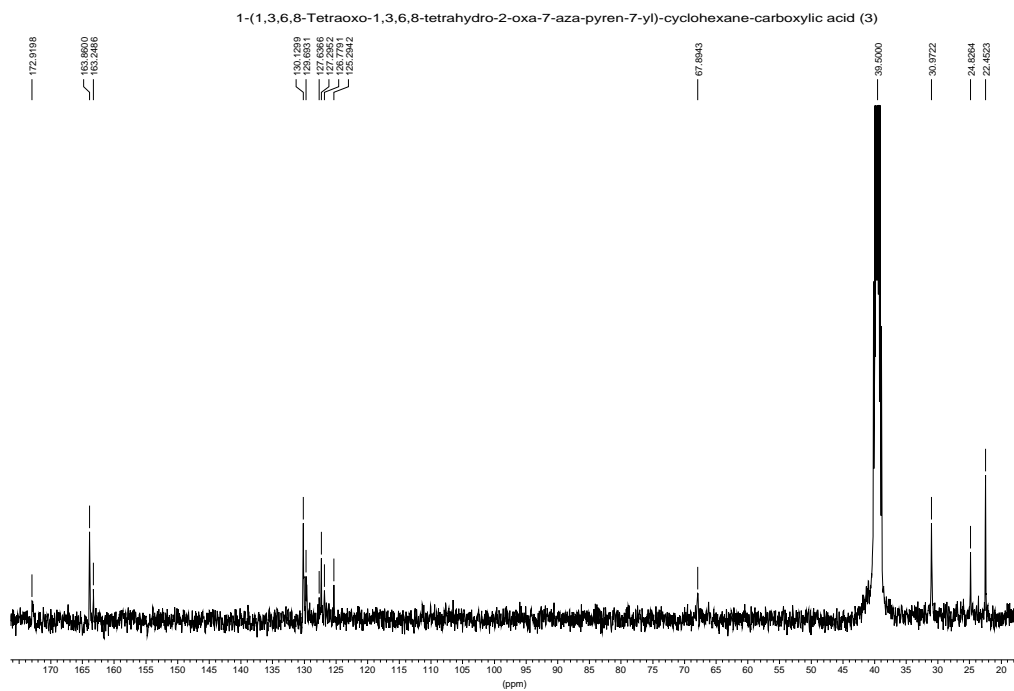
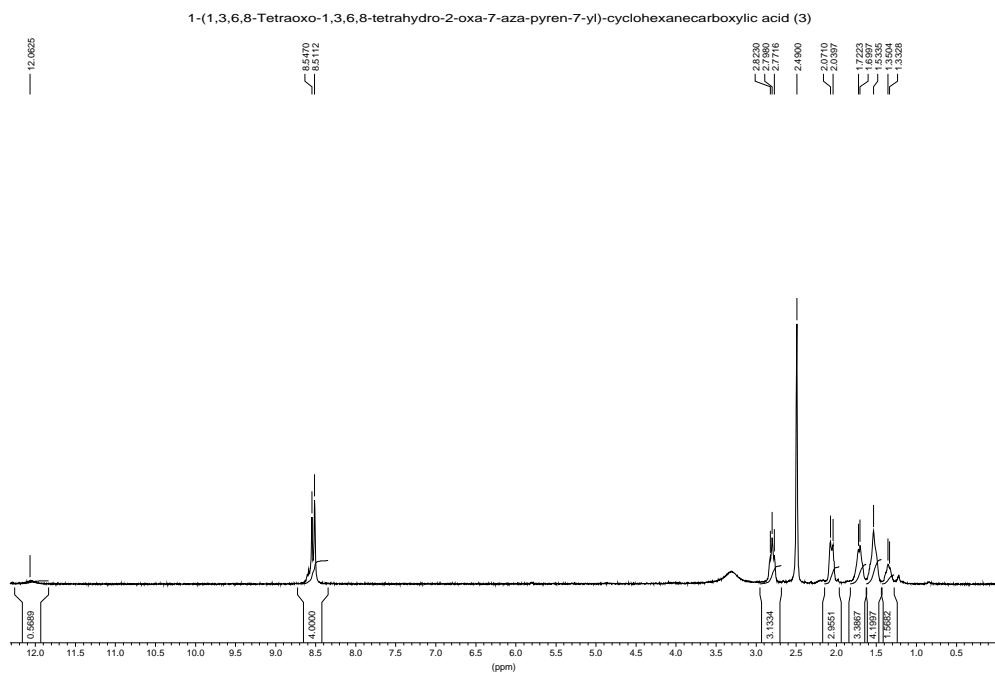
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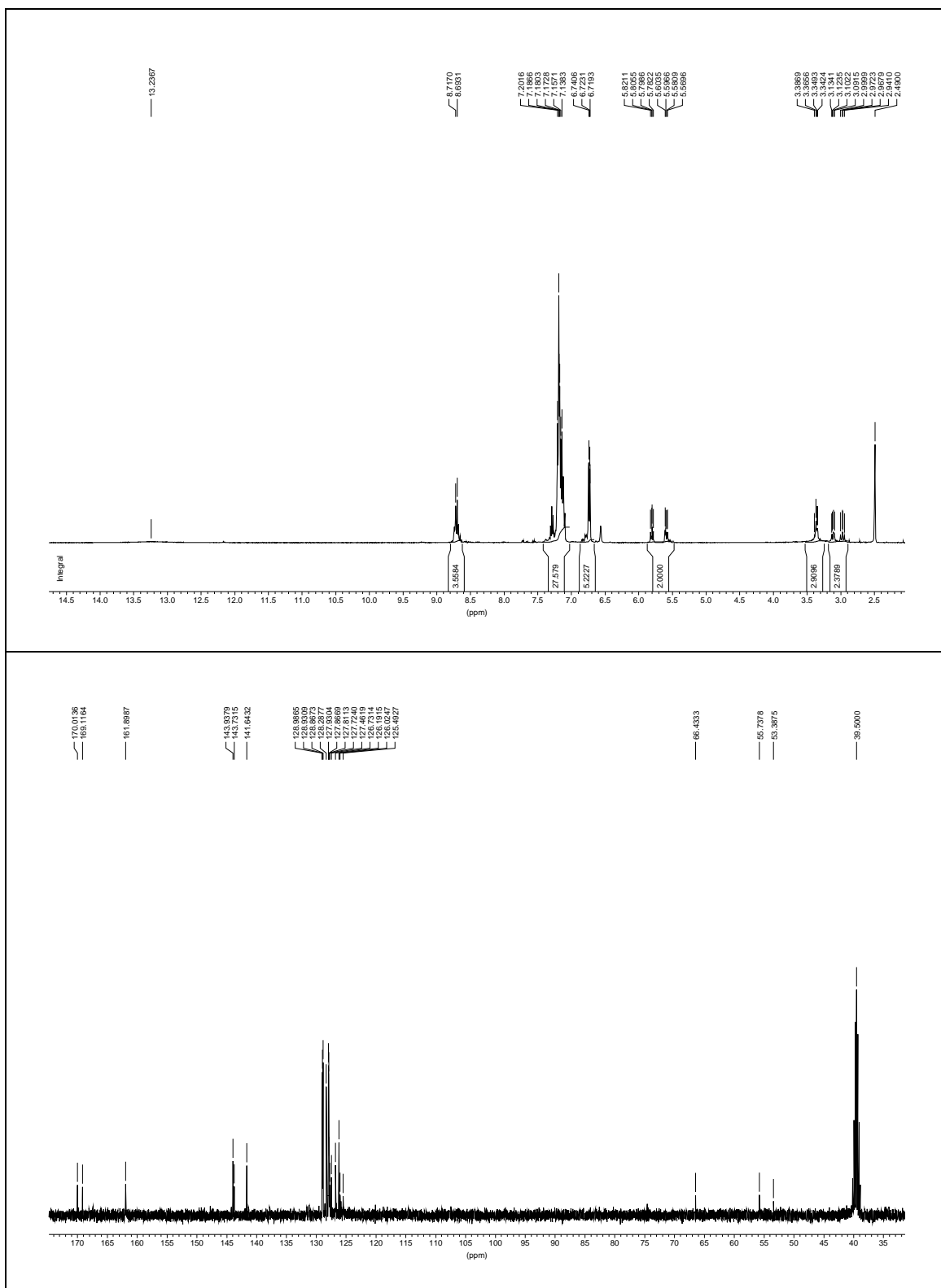
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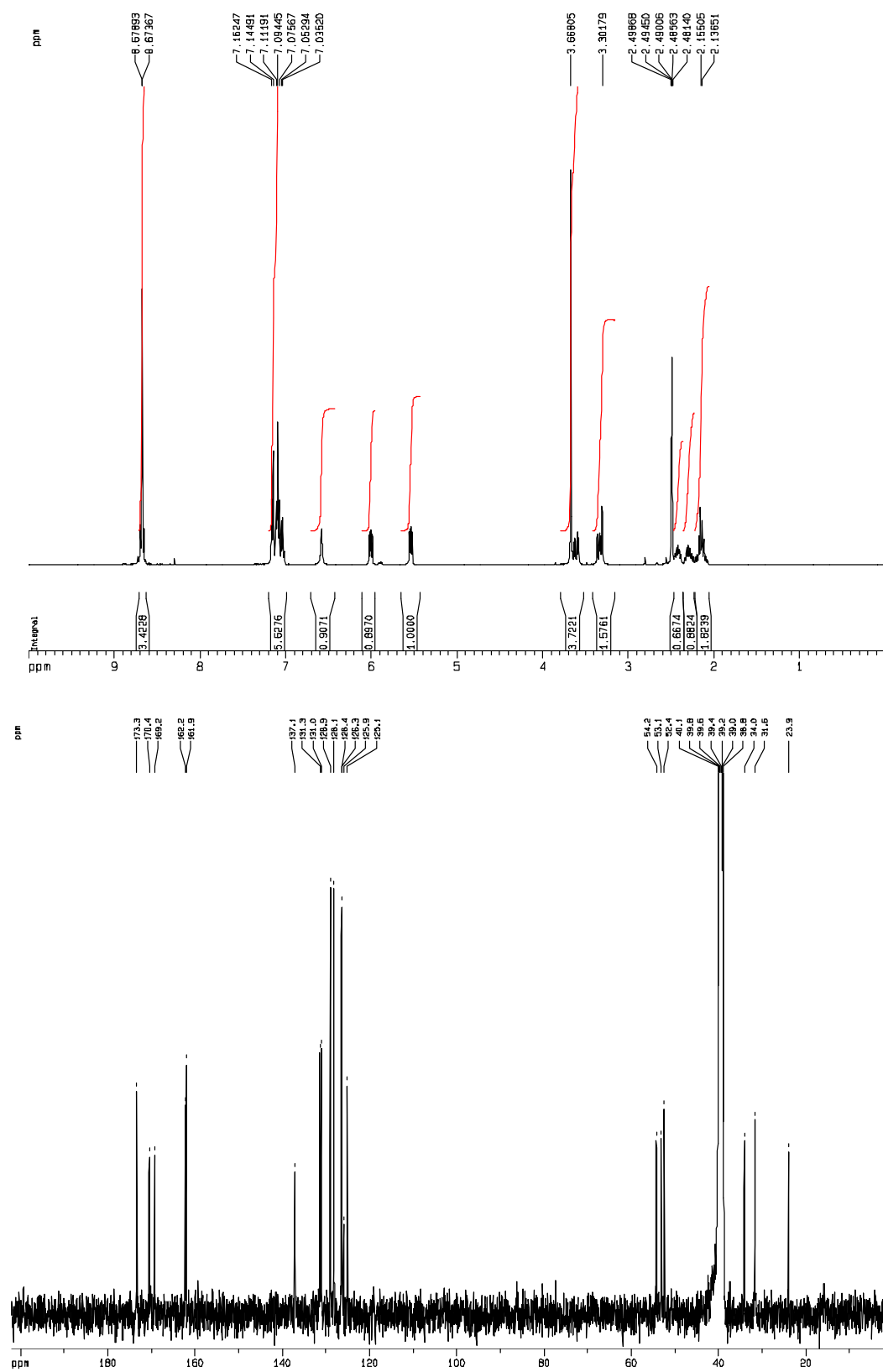
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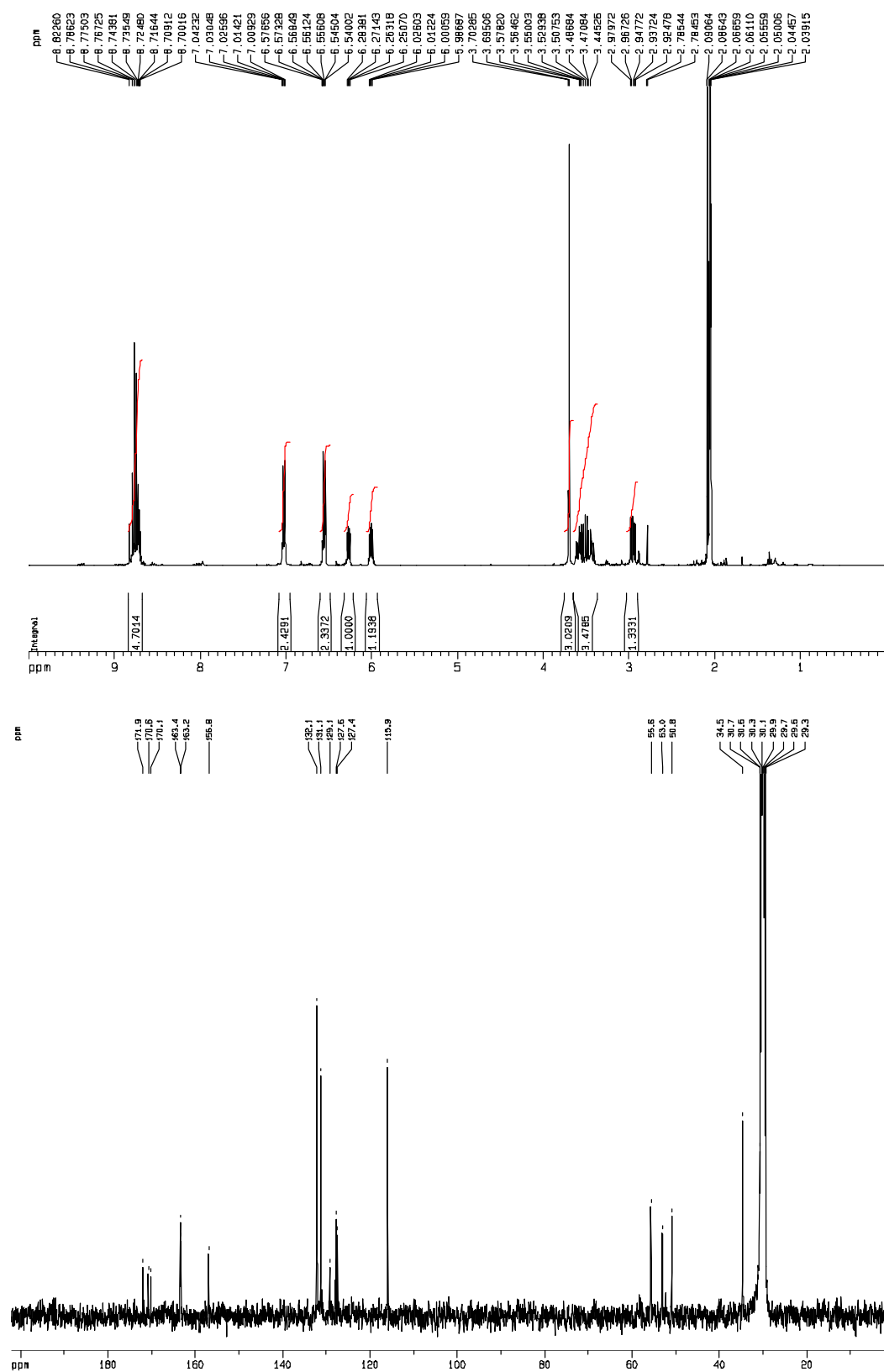
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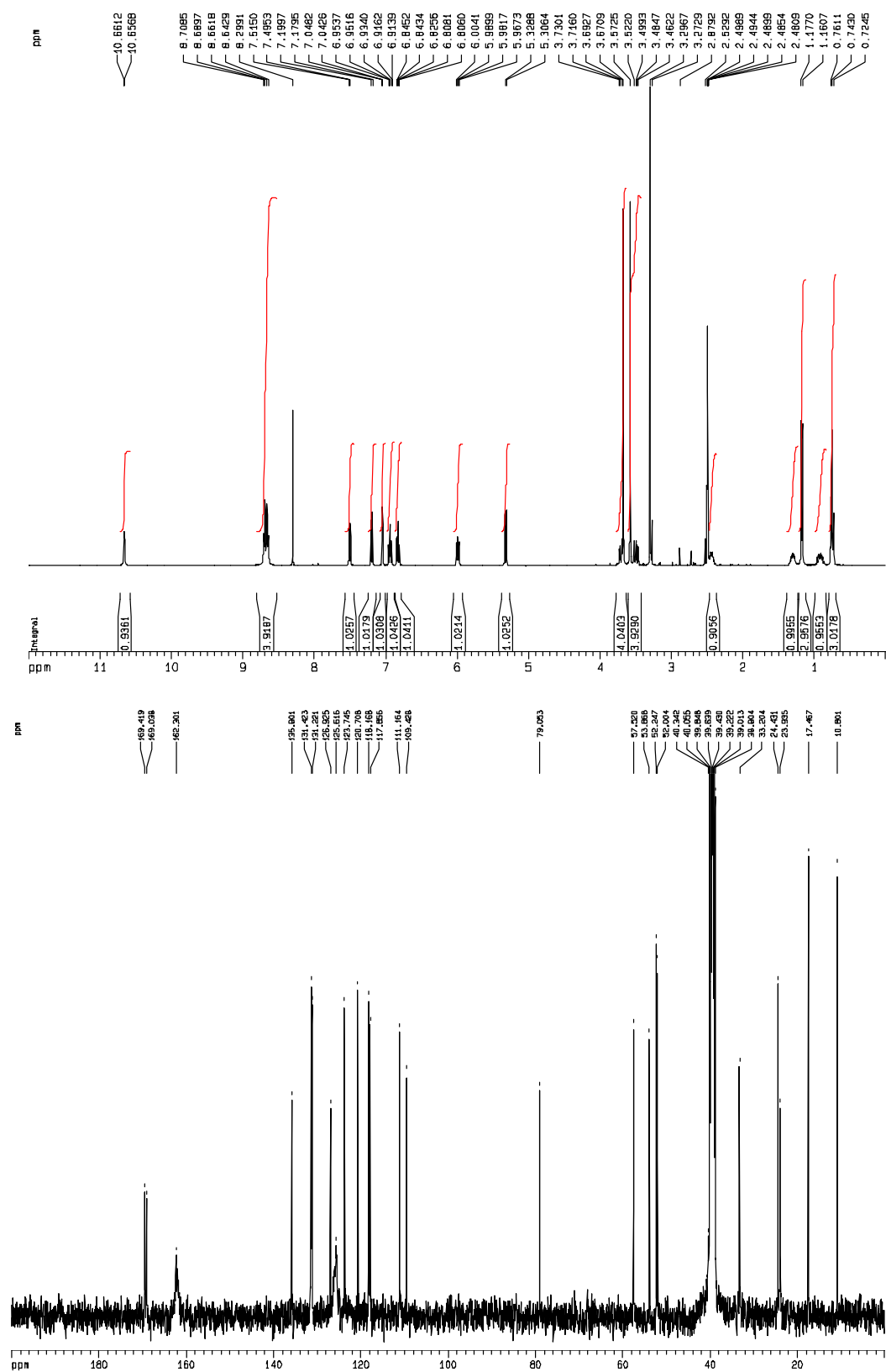
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