

Synthesis of Substituted Carbazoles, Indoles and Dibenzofurans by Vinylic to Aryl Palladium Migration

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I. General Procedures. All ^1H and ^{13}C spectra were collected in CDCl_3 unless noted otherwise.

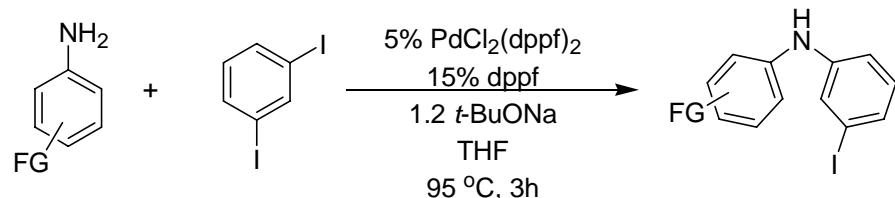
Thin-layer chromatography was performed using 60-mesh silica gel plates, and visualization was effected with short wavelength UV light (254 nm) and a basic KMnO_4 solution. High resolution mass spectra were recorded using EI.

All reagents were used directly as obtained commercially unless otherwise noted. Anhydrous forms of acetonitrile, DMF, diethyl ether, ethyl acetate, hexanes, and 4,4-dimethyl-2-pentyne were purchased from Lancaster Synthesis, Inc. 3-Iodoaniline, 2-(trimethylsilyl)phenyl trifluoromethanesulfonate, cesium fluoride, 1,3-diiodobenzene, 1,1'-bis(diphenylphosphino)ferrocene (dppf), sodium *tert*-butoxide, *p*-toluidine, *p*-anisidine, *p*-chloroaniline, *o*-methoxyaniline, methyl 4-aminobenzoate, 1-naphthylamine, 5,6,7,8-tetrahydronaphthalen-1-ylamine, 1-phenyl-1-butyne, 1-phenyl-1-propyne, 4-octyne, diphenylacetylene, 3,5-dimethoxyaniline, sodium thiometoxide, and trifluoroacetic acid-*d* were purchased from Aldrich Chemical Co., Inc. Cesium pivalate was prepared according to the procedure of Campo and Larock.¹ The substituted alkynes were prepared by the Sonogashira coupling of aryl iodides with 1-butyne using 5 mol % of $\text{PdCl}_2(\text{PPh}_3)_2$, 2 mol % of CuI in Et_3N solvent at room temperature.²

II. Noncommercial compounds.

N-Phenyl-3-iodoaniline. This compound was prepared according to the reported procedure:³ ¹H NMR (CDCl_3) δ 5.67 (s, 1H), 6.94-7.10 (m, 5H), 7.23-7.41 (m, 4H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl_3) 95.2, 116.5, 119.1, 122.3, 125.9, 129.7, 129.8, 131.1, 142.2, 145.1; IR (CDCl_3) 3427, 3061, 3034, 1584 cm^{-1} ; HRMS m/z 294.9858 (calcd for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{10}\text{NI}$, 294.9863).

Other aniline starting materials were prepared through the following palladium-catalyzed amination reaction.⁴ The typical yield is ~30%.



N-p-Tolyl-3-iodoaniline. ¹H NMR (CDCl_3) δ 2.34 (s, 3H), 5.58 (s, 1H), 6.93-7.26 (m, 7H), 7.34 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl_3) 21.1, 95.3, 115.7, 120.2, 124.9, 129.0, 130.3, 131.0, 132.3, 139.3, 145.9; IR (CDCl_3) 3427, 3028, 2922, 1587 cm^{-1} ; HRMS m/z 309.0018 (calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_9\text{IN}$, 309.0015).

N-(2-Methoxyphenyl)-3-iodoaniline. ¹H NMR (CDCl_3) δ 3.89 (s, 3H), 6.15 (s, 1H), 6.92-7.01 (m, 4H), 7.09-7.12 (m, 1H), 7.26-7.35 (m, 2H), 7.51 (t, $J = 1.7$ Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl_3) 55.9, 95.2, 111.0, 116.2, 117.2, 121.1, 121.3, 126.5, 129.9, 131.0, 131.9, 144.7, 149.0; IR (CDCl_3) 3418, 3060, 2962, 1244; HRMS m/z 324.9969 (calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_9\text{INO}$, 324.9964).

N-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-3-iodoaniline. ¹H NMR (CDCl_3) δ 3.83 (s, 3H), 5.51 (s, 1H), 6.82-7.23 (m, 8H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl_3) 55.9, 95.5, 114.7, 115.1, 123.5, 123.9, 128.3, 131.1, 134.7, 147.1, 156.1; IR (CDCl_3) 3425, 3006, 2957, 1245 cm^{-1} ; HRMS m/z 324.9967 (calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_9\text{INO}$, 324.9964).

Methyl N-(3-iodophenyl)benzoate. ¹H NMR (CDCl_3) δ 3.88 (s, 3H), 6.10 (s, 1H), 6.98-7.13 (m, 4H), 7.35 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.50 (s, 1H), 7.92 (d, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl_3) 52.1, 95.0, 115.6, 119.1, 122.2, 128.6, 131.1, 131.8, 131.9, 142.7, 147.3, 167.1; IR (CDCl_3) 3340, 2945, 1694, 1580 cm^{-1} ; HRMS m/z 352.9913 (calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{12}\text{INO}_2$, 352.9918).

N-(4-Chlorophenyl)-3-iodoaniline. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3) δ 5.64 (s, 1H), 6.96-7.00 (m, 4H), 7.23-7.28 (m, 3H), 7.36 (s, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3) 95.3, 116.8, 120.1, 126.1, 126.8, 129.7, 130.2, 131.2, 140.9, 144.6; IR (CDCl_3) 3427, 3061, 3034, 1583 cm^{-1} ; HRMS m/z 328.9473 (calcd for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_9\text{ClIN}$, 328.9468).

N-(3-Iodophenyl)naphthalen-1-amine. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3) δ 5.83 (s, 1H), 6.85-6.97 (m, 2H), 7.21 (dt, J = 7.6, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.30 (t, J = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.37-7.56 (m, 4H), 7.65 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.88-8.00 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3) 95.2, 115.9, 118.2, 122.1, 124.5, 125.3, 126.2, 126.6, 128.6, 128.8, 129.1, 131.0, 134.9, 137.7, 146.9; IR (CDCl_3) 3415, 3060, 1574 cm^{-1} ; HRMS m/z 345.0018 (calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{12}\text{IN}$, 345.0015).

N-(3-Iodophenyl)-5,6,7,8-tetrahydronaphthalen-1-amine. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3) δ 1.79-1.90 (m, 4H), 2.60 (t, J = 6.1 Hz, 2H), 2.84 (t, J = 6.1 Hz, 2H), 5.31 (s, 1H), 6.87-6.90 (m, 2H), 6.96 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.11 (d, J = 4.3 Hz, 2H), 7.20-7.22 (dd, J = 7.6, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 7.30 (s, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3) 23.0, 23.3, 25.0, 30.2, 95.3, 116.1, 117.6, 124.4, 125.5, 126.1, 128.9, 129.0, 131.0, 139.1, 140.0, 146.1; IR (CDCl_3) 3396, 3054, 2927, 1578 cm^{-1} ; HRMS m/z 349.0331 (calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{16}\text{IN}$, 349.0328).

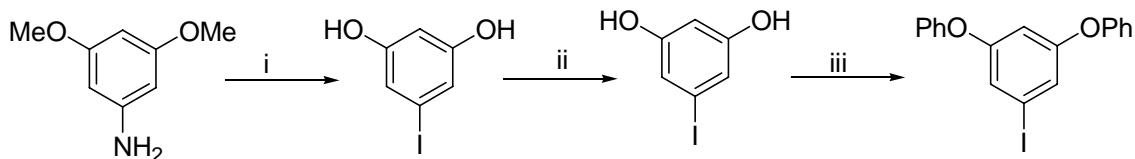
N-Allyl-3-iodoaniline. This compound was prepared according to the reported procedure.⁵ ^1H NMR (CDCl_3) δ 3.74 (d, J = 5.1 Hz, 2H), 3.81 (s, 1H), 5.19-5.33 (m, 2H), 5.87-5.99 (m, 1H), 6.57 (dd, J = 8.1, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.89 (t, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 6.97 (t, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3) 46.5, 95.6, 112.5, 116.9, 121.7, 126.6, 130.9, 135.0, 149.5; IR (CDCl_3) 3417, 3076, 2847, 1590 cm^{-1} ; HRMS m/z 258.9862 (calcd for $\text{C}_9\text{H}_{10}\text{NI}$, 258.9858).

3-(3-Iodophenylamino)cyclohex-2-enone. 3-Iodoaniline (2 mmol) and cyclohexane-1,3-dione (2 mmol) were dissolved in 10 mL toluene and then the mixture was heated at 100 °C in the presence of 8 mmol anhydrous MgSO_4 and a catalytic amount of TsOH. After 12 h, the reaction mixture was filtered, and the toluene was removed from the filtrate. The residue obtained was purified by flash chromatography to afford a 90% yield of the imine product: ^1H NMR (CDCl_3) δ 1.96-2.02 (m, 2H), 2.32 (t, J = 6.2 Hz, 2H), 2.50 (t, J = 6.2 Hz, 2H), 5.51 (s, 1H), 7.00 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.10 (dd, J = 8.0, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 7.40-7.48 (m, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3) 22.0, 29.8, 36.7, 123.3, 130.9, 132.8, 134.6, 139.8,

162.8, 198.9; IR (CDCl_3) 3247, 3056, 2945, 1566 cm^{-1} ; HRMS m/z 312.9968 (calcd for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{12}\text{INO}$, 312.9964).

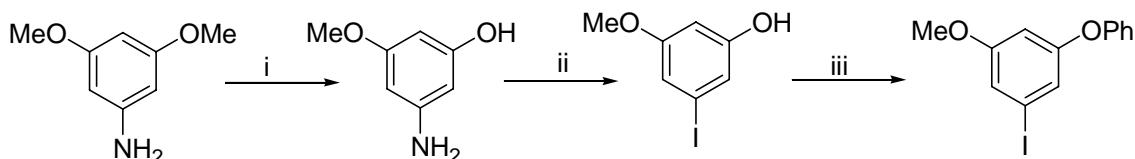
1-Iodo-3-phenoxybenzene. This compound was prepared by the reported procedure:⁶ ^1H NMR (CDCl_3) δ 6.96-7.07 (m, 4H), 7.16 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.35-7.44 (m, 4H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3) 94.5, 118.2, 119.5, 124.2, 127.8, 130.2, 131.3, 132.4, 156.6, 158.3; IR (CDCl_3) 3075, 2965, 1582 cm^{-1} ; HRMS m/z 295.9702 (calcd for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_9\text{IO}$, 295.9698).

1-Iodo-3,5-diphenoxylbenzene. This compound was prepared by the strategy shown below: ^1H NMR (CDCl_3) δ 6.63 (t, $J = 2.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.02-7.04 (m, 6H), 7.13-7.17 (m, 2H), 7.35-7.39 (m, 4H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3) 94.1, 108.7, 119.8, 122.0, 124.5, 130.2, 156.1, 159.4; IR (CDCl_3) 3073, 3039, 1575 cm^{-1} ; HRMS m/z 387.9964 (calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{13}\text{IO}_2$, 387.9960).



(i) (a) NaNO_2 , HCl (b) Kl ; (ii) BBr_3 ; (iii) 6 CsF , 2.2 2-(trimethylsilyl)phenyl trifluoromethanesulfonate, MeCN .

1-Iodo-3-methoxy-5-phenoxybenzene. This compound was prepared by the strategy shown below:⁷ ^1H NMR (CDCl_3) δ 3.76 (s, 3H), 6.57 (t, $J = 2.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.97 (t, $J = 1.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.03-7.09 (m, 3H), 7.18 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.36-7.42 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3) 55.9, 94.4, 104.9, 118.3, 119.8, 120.2, 124.3, 130.2, 156.4, 159.3, 161.5; IR (CDCl_3) 3074, 2960, 1586 cm^{-1} ; HRMS m/z 325.9808 (calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{11}\text{IO}_2$, 325.9804).



(i) NaSMe , DMA, 140 °C; (ii) (a) NaNO_2 , HCl ; (b) Kl ; (iii) 4 CsF , 1.1 2-(trimethylsilyl)phenyl trifluoromethanesulfonate, MeCN .

Compound 29-d: ^1H NMR (CDCl_3) δ 3.76 (s, 3H), 6.52 (s, 0.08H), 6.92 (s, 0.11H), 6.99-7.04 (m, 2H), 7.15 (t, $J = 7.32$ Hz, 1H), 7.34-7.39 (m, 2H).

III. Experimental Procedures. The aryl halide (0.25 mmol), alkyne (0.25 mmol), Pd(OAc)₂ (2.8 mg, 0.0125 mmol), *bis*(diphenylphosphino)methane (dppm) (4.8 mg, 0.0125 mmol) and CsO₂CCMe₃ (CsPiv) (0.117 g, 0.5 mmol) in 4 mL of DMF were stirred under Ar at 100 °C for 6 h. The reaction mixture was allowed to cool to room temperature, diluted with diethyl ether (25 mL) and washed with 5% Na₂CO₃ (25 mL). The aqueous layer was re-extracted with diethyl ether (25 mL) twice. The organic layers were combined, dried (MgSO₄), filtered, and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel.

For the products reported in entries 1, 5, 9, 13, 15 and 16 of Table 2; entry 1 in Table 3; and entries 2-4, 8, and 9 in Table 3, GC-mass spectral analysis shows two regioisomers, which cannot be separated by flash chromatography. The ratio of these isomers was determined by ¹H NMR spectroscopy.

(E)-4-(1-Phenylbut-1-enyl)-9H-carbazole (1a). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 1.11 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3H), 2.94 (q, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 6.74 (s, 1H), 7.11-7.20 (m, 2H), 7.35-7.53 (m, 9H), 8.05 (s, 1H), 8.20 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) 13.4, 25.9, 109.4, 110.7, 119.6, 120.2, 120.9, 123.0, 123.3, 125.7, 125.8, 126.9, 128.7, 128.9, 129.0, 138.2, 139.9, 139.9, 140.1, 144.6; IR (CDCl₃) 3471, 3056, 2968, 2934, 1599 cm⁻¹; HRMS m/z 297.1522 (calcd for C₂₂H₁₉N, 297.1518).

(E)-4-(4,4-Dimethylpent-2-en-2-yl)-9H-carbazole (2). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 1.34 (s, 9H), 2.28 (d, *J* = 1.3 Hz, 3H), 5.67 (d, *J* = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 6.96 (dd, *J* = 6.9, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.19-7.42 (m, 5H), 8.06 (s, 1H), 8.14 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) 19.2, 31.2, 33.1, 108.8, 110.6, 119.4, 119.7, 120.2, 123.0, 123.2, 125.6, 125.9, 134.8, 139.6, 139.8, 139.9, 143.3; IR (CDCl₃) 3473, 2960, 2867, 1600 cm⁻¹; HRMS m/z 263.1679 (calcd for C₁₉H₂₁N, 263.1674).

4-[1-(2,2-Dimethylpropylidene)pentyl]-9H-carbazole (4a). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.81 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 1.22-1.40 (m, 13H), 2.71-2.78 (m, 2H), 5.62 (s, 1H), 6.97 (dd, *J* = 7.1, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.19-7.42 (m, 5H), 8.01 (s, 1H), 8.20 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) 14.2, 23.4, 31.4, 31.7, 32.4, 33.2, 108.7, 110.6, 119.3, 120.5, 120.7, 123.2, 123.4, 125.5, 139.3, 139.8, 139.9, 140.1, 141.9; IR (CDCl₃) 3410, 2957, 2866, 1599 cm⁻¹; HRMS m/z 305.2148 (calcd for C₂₂H₂₇N, 305.2144).

(E)-4-(1-Phenylprop-1-enyl)-9H-carbazole (5a). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3) δ 2.47 (s, 3H), 6.78 (s, 1H), 7.12-7.20 (m, 2H), 7.33-7.54 (m, 9H), 8.10 (s, 1H), 8.14 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3) 19.9, 109.4, 110.7, 119.4, 119.6, 120.2, 122.9, 123.1, 125.8, 125.9, 126.8, 128.6, 129.3, 129.4, 138.3 (2C), 139.9, 140.1, 141.4; IR (CDCl_3) 3471, 3060, 3026, 1601, 1456 cm^{-1} ; HRMS m/z 283.1367 (calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{19}\text{N}$, 283.1361).

(E)-4-(1,2-Diphenylvinyl)-9H-carbazole (6). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3) δ 7.03-7.14 (m, 3H), 7.23-7.42 (m, 14H), 8.03 (s, 1H), 8.37 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3) 109.8, 110.8, 119.6, 121.3, 121.7, 123.0, 123.39, 125.7, 125.9, 127.3, 127.7, 128.5, 128.7, 129.8, 130.2, 131.1, 137.6, 140.0, 140.3, 140.4, 140.7, 141.3; IR (CDCl_3) 3414, 3054, 1599, 1455 cm^{-1} ; HRMS m/z 345.1522 (calcd for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{19}\text{N}$, 345.1518).

(E)-Ethyl 4-[1-(9H-carbazol-4-yl)but-1-enyl]benzoate (7a). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3) δ 1.90 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 3H), 1.44 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 3H), 1.91 (q, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 4.43 (q, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 6.73 (s, 1H), 7.10 (dd, $J = 6.7, 1.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.15 (td, $J = 6.8, 1.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.37-7.46 (m, 4H), 7.53 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 8.10-8.20 (m, 4H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3) 13.3, 14.6, 26.0, 6.19, 109.6, 110.8, 119.6, 119.9, 120.8, 122.8, 123.1, 125.6, 125.8, 128.2, 128.8, 128.9, 130.0, 139.4, 139.9, 140.1, 142.8, 146.7, 166.8; IR (CDCl_3) 3472, 2968, 2873, 1710 cm^{-1} ; HRMS m/z 369.1736 (calcd for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{23}\text{NO}_2$, 369.1729).

(E)-4-[1-(2-Methoxyphenyl)but-1-enyl]-9H-carbazole (8a). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3) δ 1.00 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 3H), 2.80 (q, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 6.77 (s, 1H), 6.95 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.97-7.17 (m, 3H), 7.29-7.53 (m, 6H), 8.11 (s, 1H), 8.36 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3) 13.3, 26.1, 55.5, 109.1, 110.5, 110.8, 118.3, 119.3, 120.2, 120.4, 121.2, 123.5, 124.7, 125.5, 125.6, 127.3, 128.3, 130.1, 139.9, 140.1, 144.0, 157.8; IR (CDCl_3) 3472, 2966, 2934, 1245 cm^{-1} ; HRMS m/z 327.1628 (calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{21}\text{NO}$, 327.1623).

(E)-5-(1,2-Diphenylvinyl)-3-methyl-9H-carbazole (9). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3) δ 2.36 (s, 3H), 7.02-7.05 (m, 2H), 7.20-7.40 (m, 14H), 7.95 (s, 1H), 8.10 (s, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3) 21.8, 109.8, 110.4, 121.3, 121.6, 123.1, 123.5, 125.5, 127.2, 127.6, 128.5, 128.5, 128.6, 129.7, 130.3, 131.1, 137.8, 138.2, 140.2, 140.5, 140.7, 141.4; IR (CDCl_3) 3413, 3053, 3022, 1599, 1491 cm^{-1} ; HRMS m/z 359.1678 (calcd for $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{21}\text{N}$, 359.1674).

(E)-5-(1,2-Diphenylvinyl)-3-methoxy-9H-carbazole (10). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3) δ 3.58 (s, 3H), 7.02-7.07 (m, 3H), 7.22-7.42 (m, 13H), 7.81 (d, $J = 2.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.98 (s, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3) 55.8, 105.2, 110.1, 111.5, 115.8, 121.5, 121.6, 123.6, 125.6, 127.3, 127.8, 128.7, 129.7, 130.3, 131.3, 134.8, 137.7, 140.1, 140.5, 141.1 (2C), 153.5; IR (CDCl_3) 3415, 3054, 2949, 1582, 1478 cm^{-1} ; HRMS m/z 375.1629 (calcd for $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{21}\text{NO}$, 375.1623).

5-(1-Benzylidenepropyl)-1-methoxy-9H-carbazole (11a). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3) δ 1.08 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 3H), 2.91 (q, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 4.0 (s, 3H), 6.7 (s, 1H), 6.89 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.06-7.10 (m, 2H), 7.30-7.50 (m, 7H), 7.77 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 8.37 (s, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3) 13.4, 25.9, 55.8, 105.8, 109.7, 115.6, 119.7, 120.0, 124.2, 125.5, 126.8, 128.6, 128.9, 129.0, 130.3, 138.2, 139.8, 139.9, 144.5, 145.8; IR (CDCl_3) 3421, 2964, 2932, 1598 cm^{-1} ; HRMS m/z 327.1625 (calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{21}\text{NO}$, 327.1623).

Methyl 5-(1,2-diphenylvinyl)-9H-carbazole-3-carboxylate (12). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3) δ 3.72 (s, 3H), 7.03 (s, 1H), 7.09 (t, $J = 4.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.20-7.42 (m, 13H), 8.07 (dd, $J = 8.5, 1.4$ Hz, 1H), 8.41 (s, 1H), 9.00 (d, $J = 1.4$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3) 51.9, 110.1, 110.2, 121.4, 121.6, 122.6, 122.9, 125.6, 126.4, 127.2, 127.5, 127.7, 128.3, 128.5, 129.8, 130.4, 131.5, 137.5, 140.0, 140.5, 140.7, 140.9, 142.7, 167.9; IR (CDCl_3) 3323, 3021, 2947, 1691 cm^{-1} ; HRMS m/z 403.1578 (calcd for $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{21}\text{NO}_2$, 403.1572)

(E)-3-Chloro-5-(1-phenylbut-1-enyl)-9H-carbazole (13a). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3) δ 1.09 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 3H), 2.91 (q, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 6.73 (s, 1H), 7.14 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.29-7.52 (m, 10H), 8.08 (s, 1H), 8.19 (d, $J = 1.5$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3) 13.4, 25.7, 109.6, 111.7, 120.5, 122.6, 124.5, 124.9, 125.9, 126.4, 127.1, 128.8, 129.2, 129.7, 137.9, 138.2, 140.0, 140.6, 144.0; IR (CDCl_3) 3471, 2944, 2833 cm^{-1} ; HRMS m/z 331.1132 (calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{18}\text{NCl}$, 331.1128).

(E)-7-(1-Phenylbut-1-enyl)-11H-benzo[a]carbazole (14a). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3) δ 1.10 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 3H), 2.95 (q, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 6.75 (s, 1H), 7.16 (dd, $J = 7.3, 1.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.26-7.60 (m, 10H), 7.98 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 8.14 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 1H), 8.23 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 1H), 8.87 (s, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3) 13.3, 26.1, 109.8, 118.5, 120.1, 120.6 (2C), 121.1, 121.8, 121.9, 124.7, 125.5, 125.7, 126.9, 128.7, 129.0, 129.1 (2C), 132.3, 135.3, 138.2, 139.1, 139.3, 144.5; IR (CDCl_3) 3472, 3060, 2969, 1572 cm^{-1} ; HRMS m/z 347.1682 (calcd for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{21}\text{N}$, 347.1674).

7-(1,2-Diphenylvinyl)-2,3,4,11-tetrahydro-1*H*-benzo[*a*]carbazole (15). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3) δ 1.91-2.03 (m, 4H), 2.93 (m, 4H), 6.86 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.99 (dd, $J = 7.2, 0.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.07 (s, 1H), 7.23-7.40 (m, 12H), 8.01 (s, 1H), 8.09 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3) 23.1, 13.6, 24.6, 29.9, 109.8, 119.1, 120.0, 120.4, 121.2, 121.6, 122.0, 124.9, 127.2, 127.6, 128.4, 128.6, 129.8, 130.2, 131.0, 134.9, 137.7, 139.1, 139.9, 140.2, 140.8, 141.3; IR (CDCl_3) 3434, 3053, 2929, 1601 cm^{-1} ; HRMS m/z 399.1993 (calcd for $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{25}\text{N}$, 399.1987).

(E)-3-Methyl-4-(1-phenylbut-1-en-2-yl)-1*H*-indole (16a). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3) δ 1.09 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 3H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 2.77 (q, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 6.47 (s, 1H), 6.96-6.99 (m, 2H), 7.18 (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.27-7.32 (m, 2H), 7.41 (d, $J = 4.1$ Hz, 4H), 7.93 (s, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3) 13.2, 13.4, 27.1, 110.0, 112.5, 119.7, 121.7, 122.9, 125.6, 126.6, 128.5, 128.9, 129.0, 137.3, 137.9, 138.4, 144.4; IR (CDCl_3) 3418, 3021, 2964, 1598 cm^{-1} ; HRMS m/z 261.1518 (calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{19}\text{N}$, 261.1521).

4-(1,2-Diphenylvinyl)-3-methyl-1*H*-indole (17). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3) δ 2.24 (d, $J = 0.8$ Hz, 3H), 6.68 (s, 1H), 6.89 (dd, $J = 7.2, 0.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.99 (d, $J = 1.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.11-7.32 (m, 12H), 7.99 (s, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3) 13.7, 110.4, 112.8, 121.7, 121.8, 123.2, 126.8, 127.3, 128.3 (2C), 128.4, 129.6, 130.5, 137.6, 137.9, 138.1, 141.3, 141.4; IR (CDCl_3) 3422, 3053, 3021, 1695 cm^{-1} ; HRMS m/z 309.1522 (calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{19}\text{N}$, 309.1518).

3-Methyl-4-(1-methyl-2-phenylvinyl)-1*H*-indole (18a). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3) δ 2.34-2.35 (m, 6H), 6.51 (d, $J = 1.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.96-6.99 (m, 2H), 7.18 (t, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.26-7.31 (m, 3H), 7.39-7.43 (m, 4H), 7.96 (s, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3) 12.8, 21.8, 110.1, 112.4, 119.1, 121.9, 122.8, 126.5, 128.4, 129.2, 129.4, 137.3, 138.5 (2C), 139.8; IR (CDCl_3) 3416, 3051, 2919, 1597 cm^{-1} ; HRMS m/z 247.1365 (calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{17}\text{N}$, 247.1361).

5-(1,2-Diphenylvinyl)-1,2,3,9-tetrahydro-carbazol-4-one (19). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3) δ 2.05-2.12 (m, 2H), 2.48 (t, $J = 6.1$ Hz, 2H), 2.80 (t, $J = 6.2$ Hz, 2H), 6.51 (s, 1H), 7.02-7.34 (m, 13H), 9.72 (s, 1H); NMR (CDCl_3) 23.4, 23.8, 38.8, 110.8, 113.9, 123.9, 124.4, 125.4, 126.2, 126.8, 127.2, 127.3, 127.9, 128.0, 129.5, 134.0, 137.0, 138.5, 143.4, 144.2, 191.9; IR (CDCl_3) 3168, 3052, 2952, 1621 cm^{-1} ; HRMS m/z 363.1631 (calcd for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{21}\text{NO}$, 363.1623).

1-(1-Benzylidenepropyl)-3-phenoxydibenzofuran (21a). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3) δ 1.11 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 3H), 7.87 (q, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 6.76 (s, 1H), 7.05 (d, $J = 2.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.04-7.58 (m, 14H), 8.01 (dd, $J = 7.7$, 0.6 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3) 13.3, 25.6, 100.9, 111.7, 114.5, 117.8, 119.3, 122.2, 123.0, 123.9, 124.2, 126.4, 127.3, 128.4, 128.8, 129.8, 130.2, 137.6, 140.9, 142.5, 156.9, 157.4, 157.5; IR (CDCl_3) 3023, 2966, 1628 cm^{-1} ; HRMS m/z 390.1624 (calcd for $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{22}\text{O}_2$, 390.1620).

1-(1-Benzylidenepropyl)-3-methoxydibenzofuran (22a). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3) δ 1.11 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 3H), 2.88 (q, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 3.94 (s, 3H), 6.73 (s, 1H), 6.87 (s, 1H), 7.05 (s, 1H), 7.21-7.57 (m, 8H), 7.82 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3) 13.2, 25.6, 56.0, 95.2, 111.0, 111.5, 115.5, 121.9, 122.8, 124.6, 125.7, 127.2, 128.7, 129.5, 137.7, 140.6, 142.9, 156.7, 158.0, 159.7; IR (CDCl_3) 3056, 3022, 2964, 1627 cm^{-1} ; HRMS m/z 328.1468 (calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}_2$, 328.1463).

3-Methoxy-1-(1-methyl-2-phenylvinyl)dibenzofuran (23a). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3) δ 2.45 (d, $J = 1.3$ Hz, 3H), 3.9 (s, 3H), 6.81 (s, 1H), 6.88 (d, $J = 2.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.07 (d, $J = 2.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.25-7.57 (m, 8H), 7.93 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3) 19.6, 56.0, 95.2, 110.6, 111.5, 114.7, 121.9, 122.8, 124.4, 125.8, 127.1, 128.7, 129.3, 130.2, 130.2, 136.5, 137.8, 142.2, 156.7, 158.0, 159.9; IR (CDCl_3) 3054, 2938, 2835, 1627 cm^{-1} ; HRMS m/z 314.1311 (calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}_2$, 314.1307).

3-Methoxy-1-(1,3,3-trimethylbut-1-enyl)dibenzofuran (24a). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3) δ 1.31 (s, 9H), 2.23 (d, $J = 1.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.90 (s, 1H), 5.68 (d, $J = 1.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.69 (d, $J = 1.7$ Hz, 1H), 6.97 (d, $J = 1.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.25-7.38 (m, 3H), 7.51 (d, $J = 6.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.88 (d, $J = 6.0$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3) 18.9, 31.2, 56.0, 94.5, 110.7, 111.4, 121.8, 122.6, 124.5, 125.5, 130.1, 133.2, 140.5, 143.8, 156.5, 157.8, 159.8; IR (CDCl_3) 2956, 2865, 1628 cm^{-1} ; HRMS m/z 294.1624 (calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{22}\text{O}_2$, 294.1620).

3-Methoxy-1-(1-propylpent-1-enyl)dibenzofuran (25). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3) δ 0.89 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 3H), 1.02 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 3H), 1.32-1.45 (m, 2H), 1.48-1.60 (m, 2H), 2.31 (q, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 2H), 2.58 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 2H), 3.90 (s, 3H), 5.67 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.71 (d, $J = 2.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.99 (d, $J = 2.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.22-7.38 (m, 2H), 7.52 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.88 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3) 14.3, 14.4, 22.0, 23.2, 30.6, 33.6, 55.9, 94.5, 111.3, 111.4, 115.2, 121.9, 122.6, 124.7, 125.5, 130.9, 138.8, 141.4, 156.6, 157.8, 159.6; IR (CDCl_3) 2957, 2930, 2869 cm^{-1} ; HRMS m/z 308.1781 (calcd for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{24}\text{O}_2$, 308.1776).

(E)-1-(1,2-Diphenylvinyl)-3-methoxydibenzofuran (26). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3) δ 3.86 (s, 3H), 6.72 (s, 1H), 7.06-7.37 (m, 14H), 7.54 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.92 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3) 56.0, 95.7, 111.5, 112.8, 115.8, 122.0, 122.8, 124.5, 125.9, 127.5, 127.9, 128.5, 128.8, 129.8, 130.3, 131.6, 137.1, 140.0, 140.1, 140.9, 156.8, 158.2, 159.6; IR (CDCl_3) 3054, 3022, 2958, 1629 cm^{-1} ; HRMS m/z 376.1470 (calcd for $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}_2$, 376.1463).

(E)-1-(2-Deutero-1,2-diphenylvinyl)-2,4-dideutero-3-methoxydibenzofuran (26-d). This compound contains 70% deuterium in the vinylic position: ^1H NMR (CDCl_3) δ 3.86 (s, 3H), 6.72 (s, 0.30H), 7.09-7.37 (m, 12H), 7.54 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.92 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 1H). Compound **26-d** obtained from the reaction conducted in the presence of 10 equiv of D_2O : ^1H NMR (CDCl_3) δ 3.86 (s, 3H), 6.72 (s, 0.13H), 7.37-7.37 (m, 12H), 7.54 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.92 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 1H).

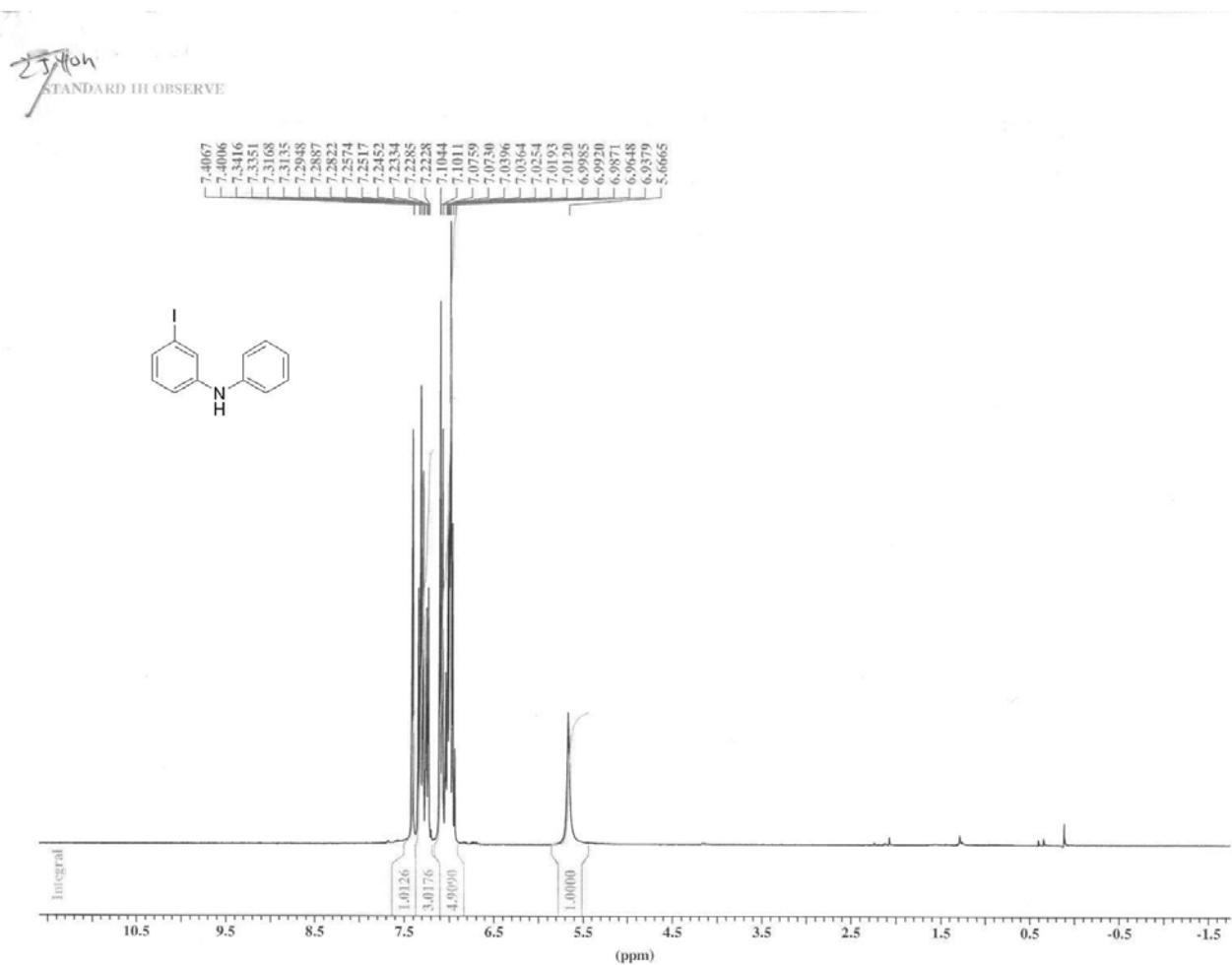
Ethyl 4-[2-(3-methoxydibenzofuran-1-yl)but-1-enyl]benzoate (27a). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3) δ 1.09 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 3H), 1.43 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 3H), 2.86 (q, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 2H), 3.93 (s, 3H), 4.42 (q, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2H), 6.72 (s, 1H), 6.83 (d, $J = 2.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.06 (d, $J = 2.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.22 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.33-7.55 (m, 4 H), 7.87 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 8.12 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3) 13.2, 14.6, 25.7, 56.0, 61.2, 95.4, 111.0, 111.6, 115.3, 121.7, 122.8, 124.4, 125.8, 128.8, 128.8, 129.1, 129.9, 140.0, 142.2, 145.0, 156.7, 158.0, 159.7, 166.7; IR (CDCl_3) 2969, 2935, 2873, 1716 cm^{-1} ; HRMS m/z 400.1679 (calcd for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{24}\text{O}_4$, 400.1675).

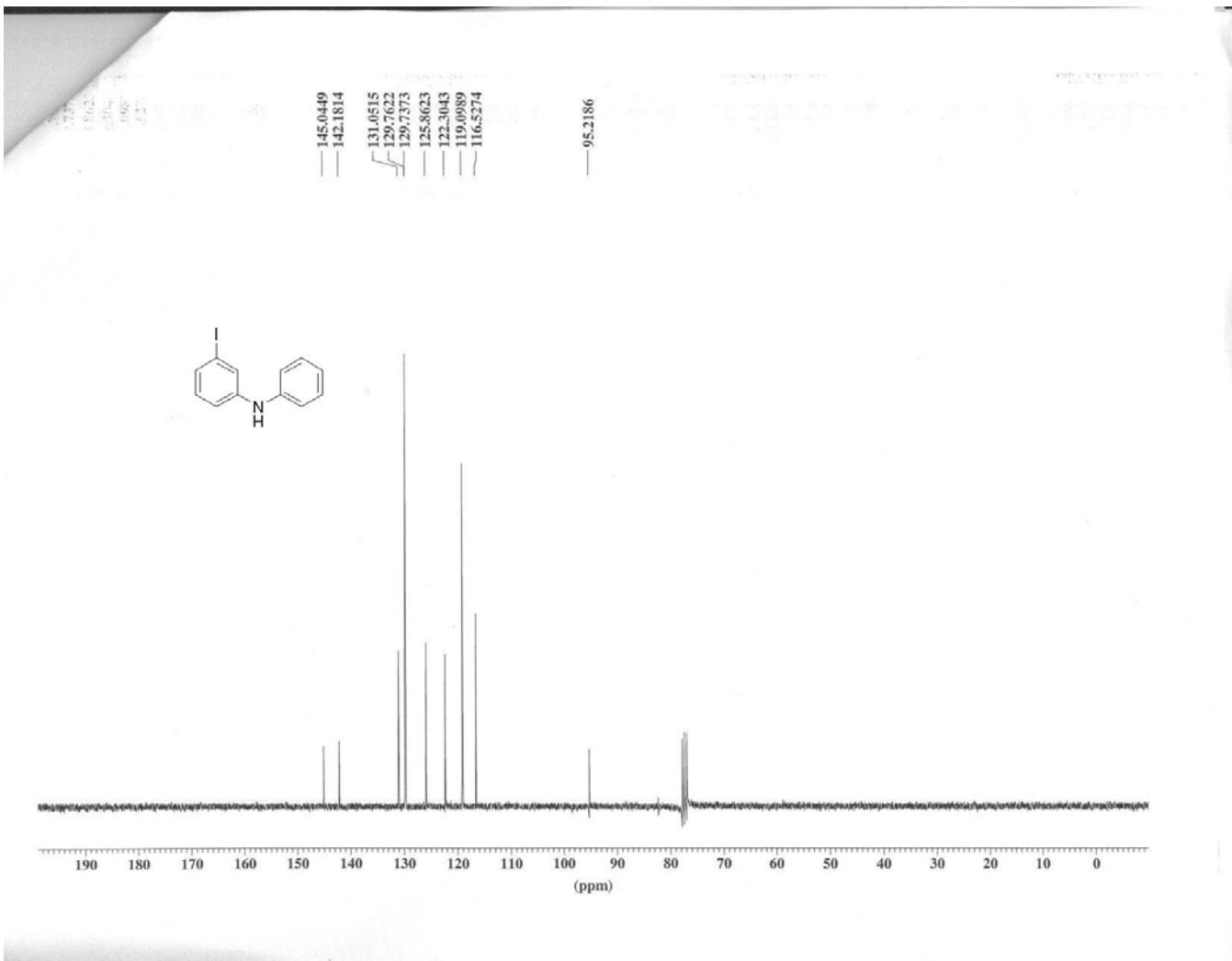
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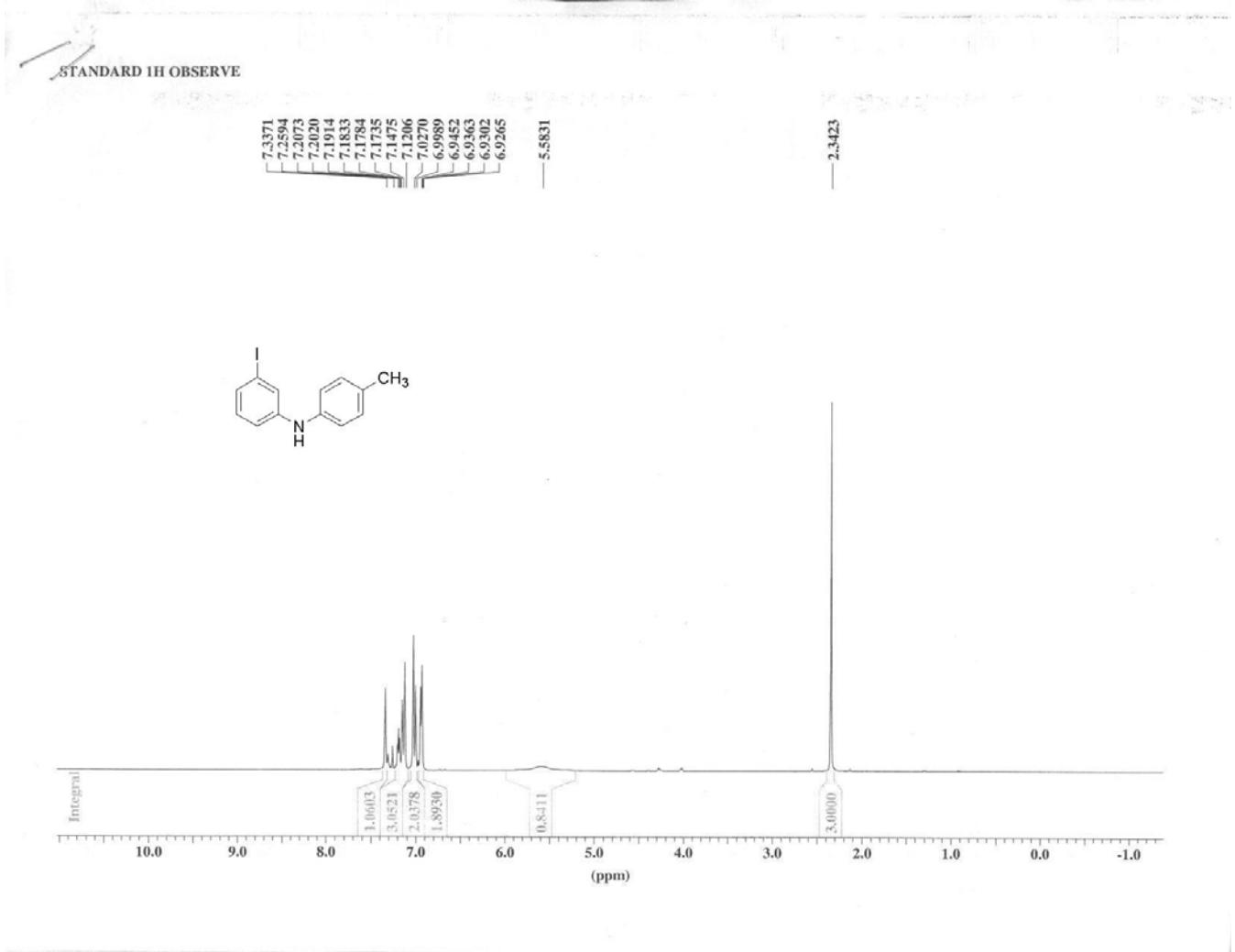
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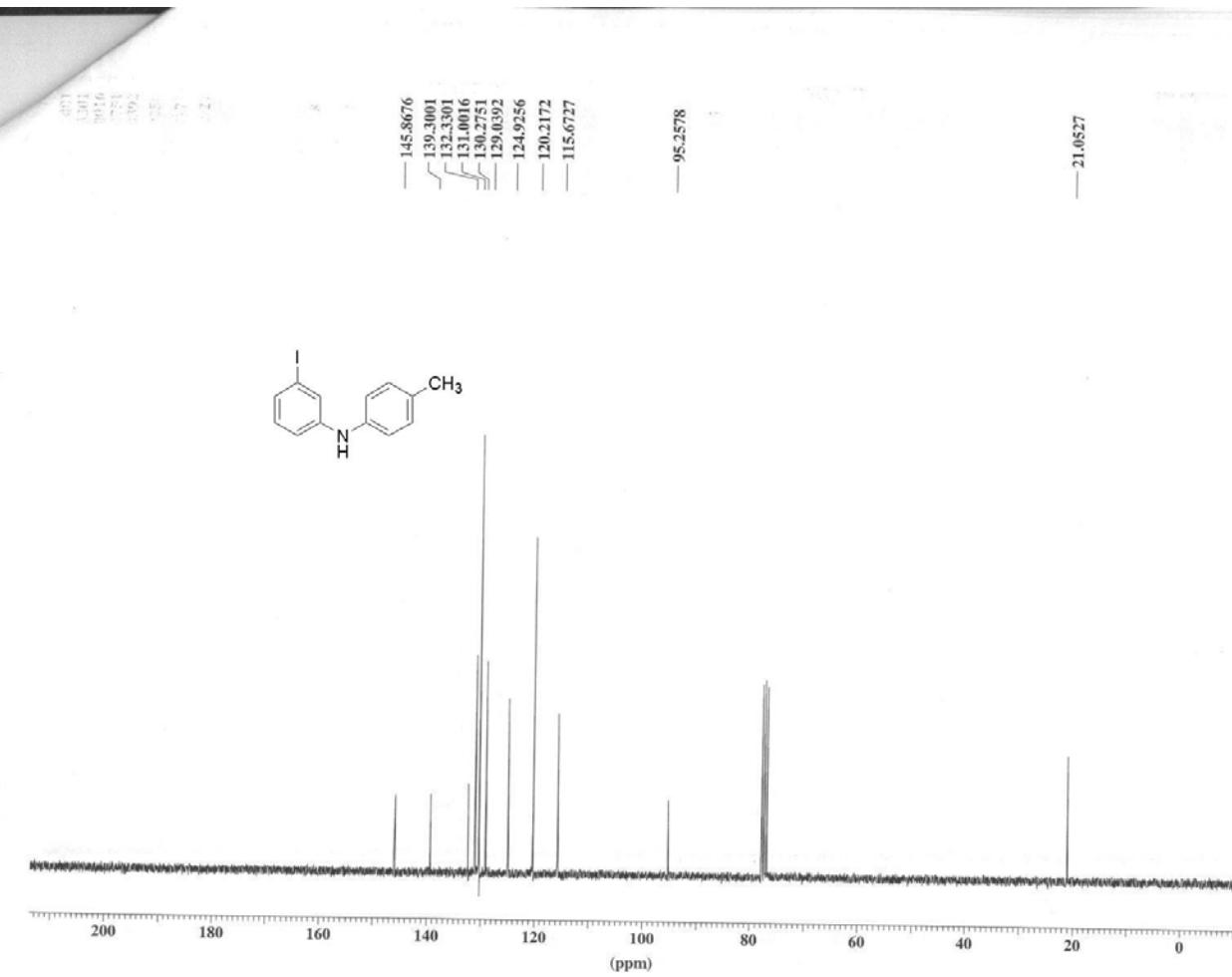
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IV. Characterization Data for Selected Compounds.



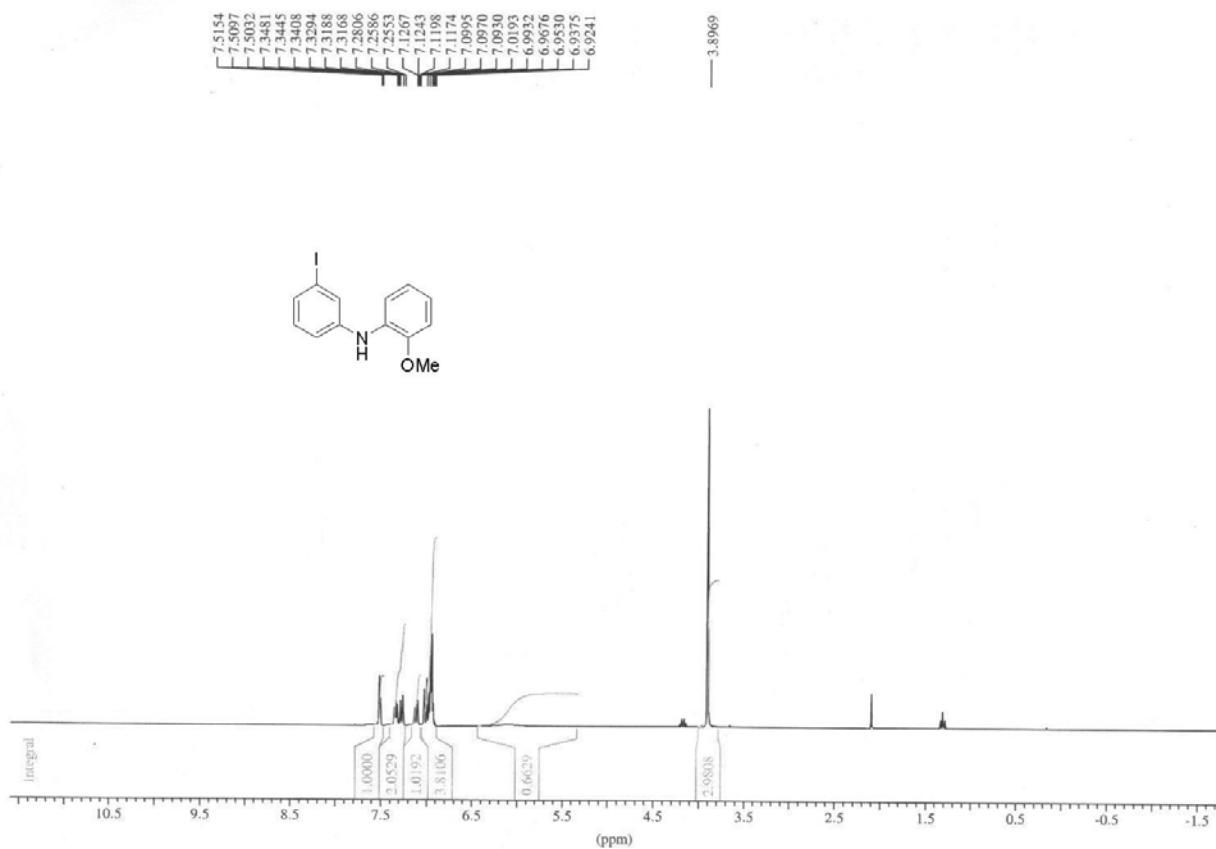


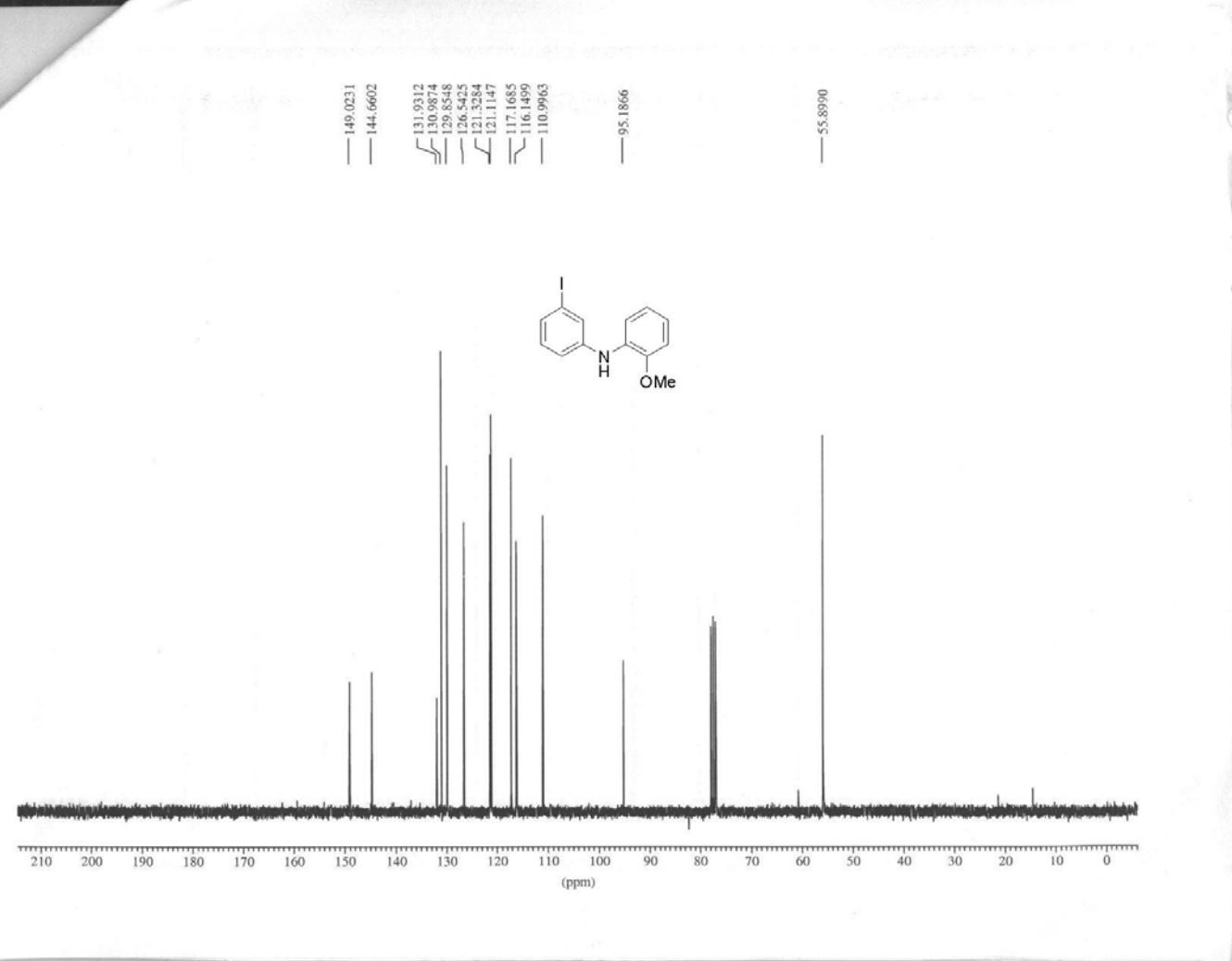




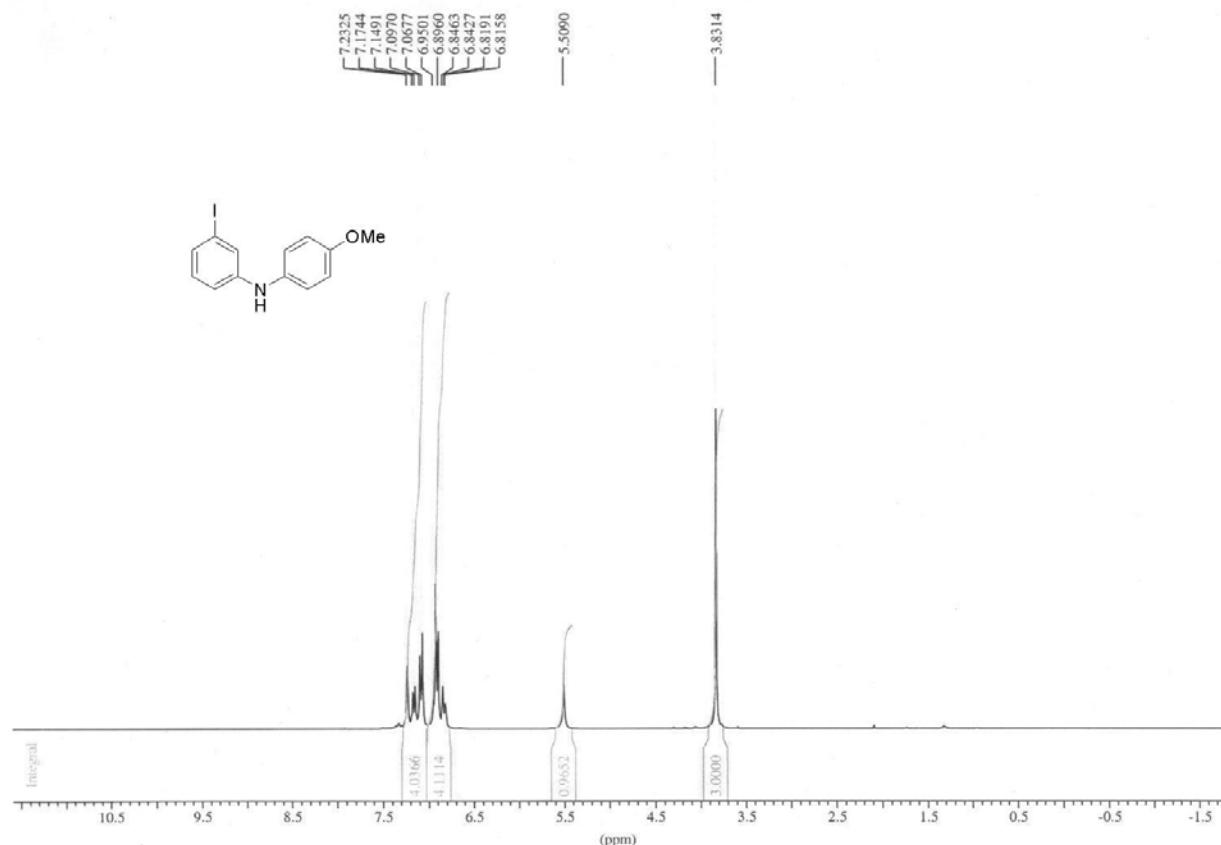
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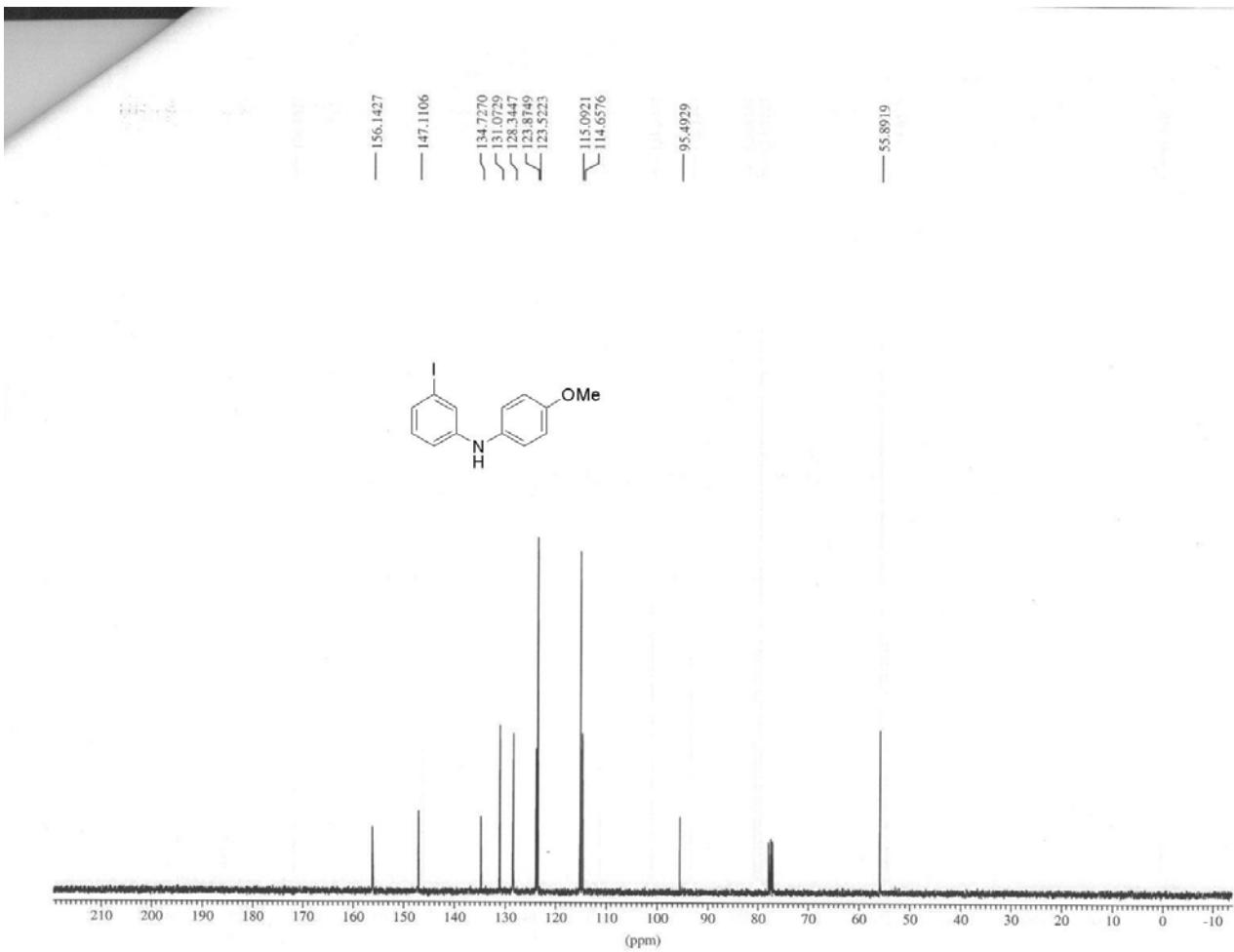
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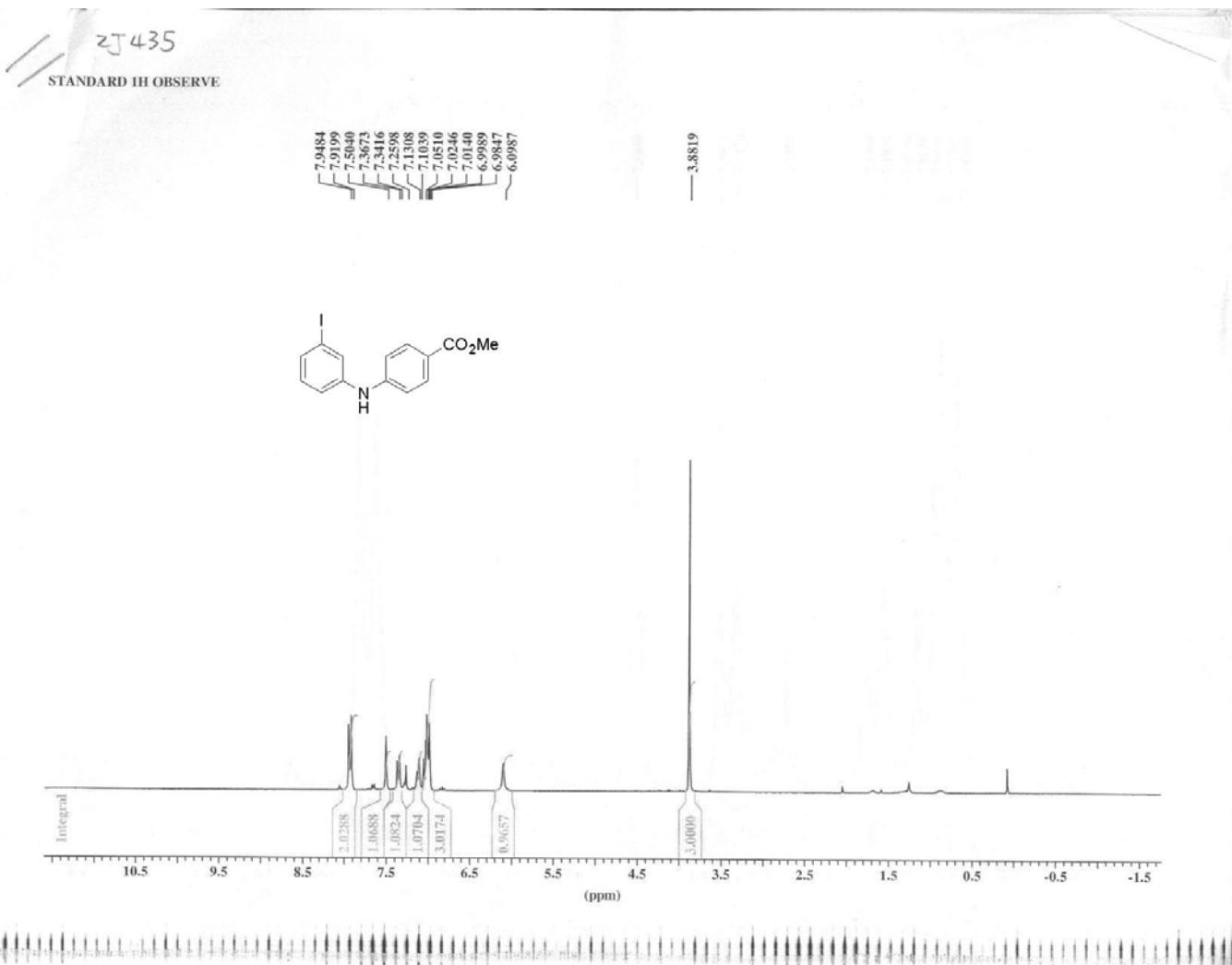


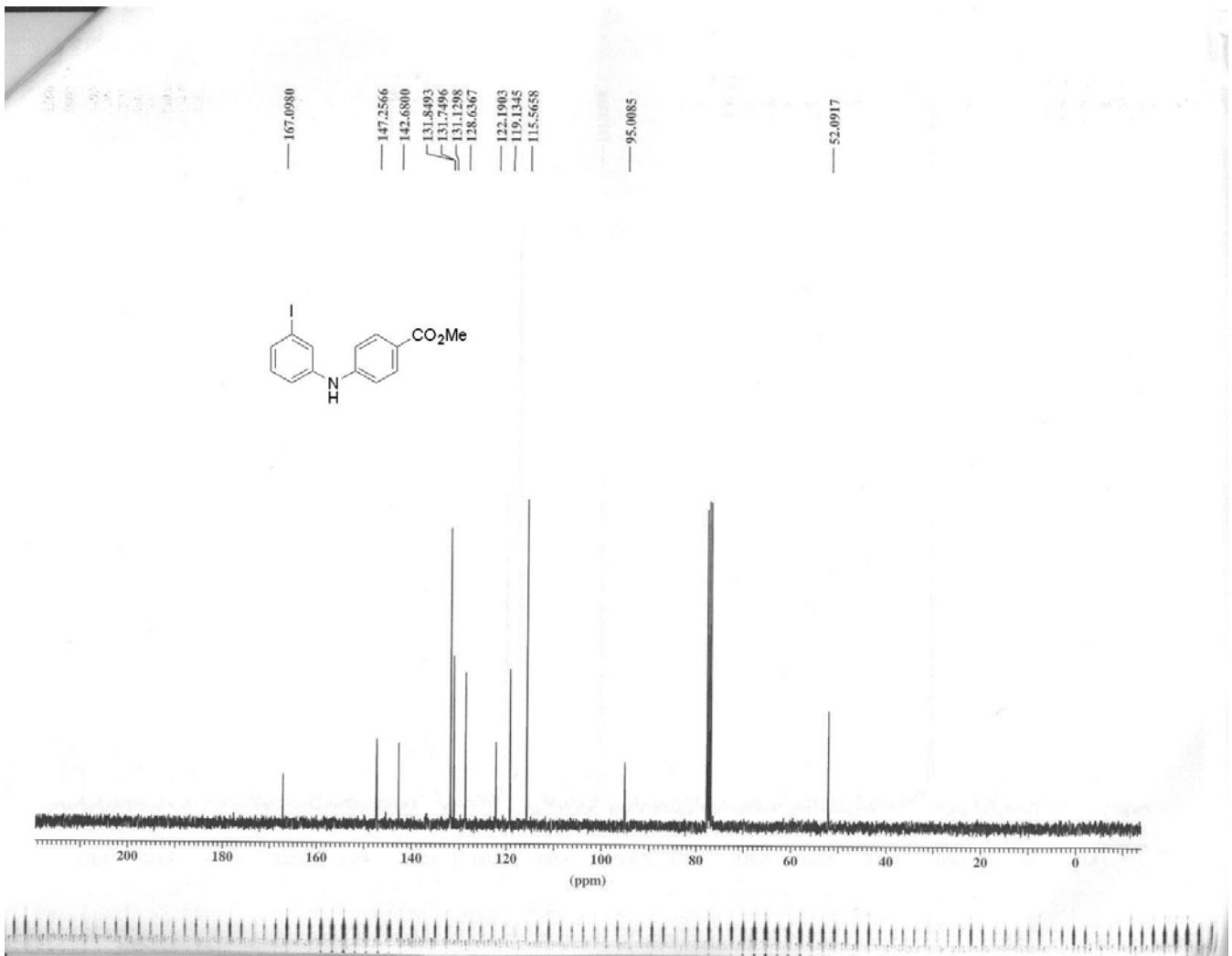


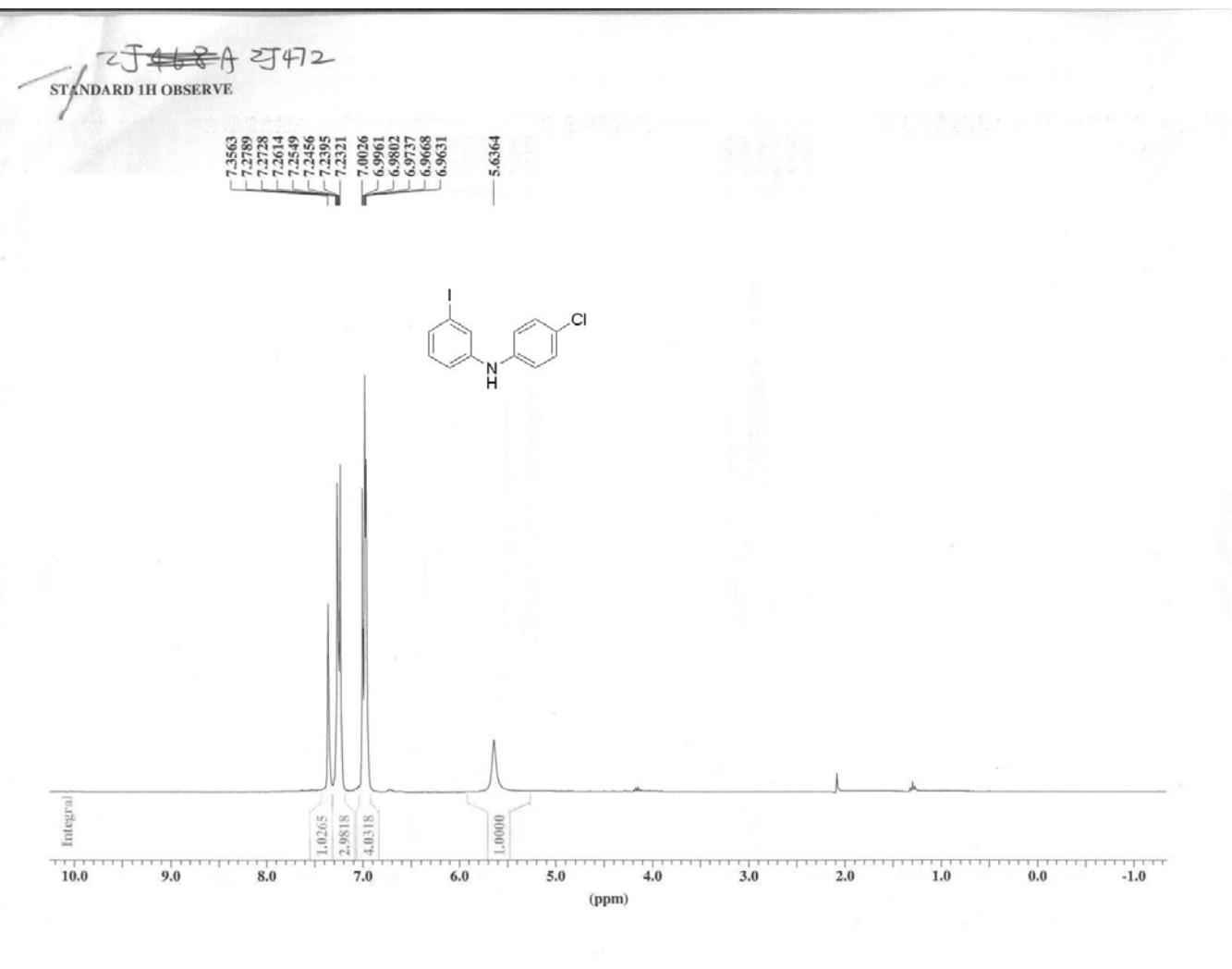
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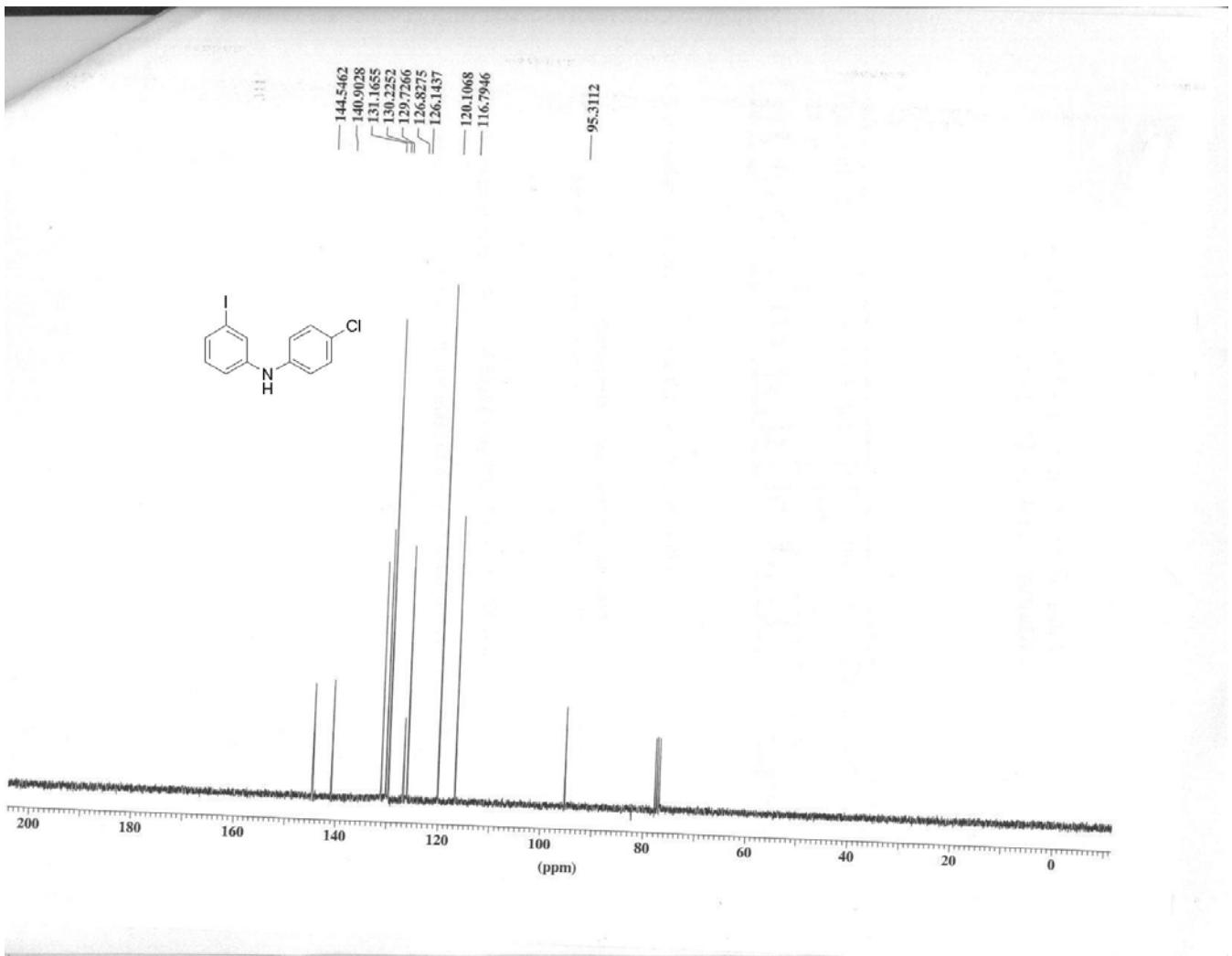






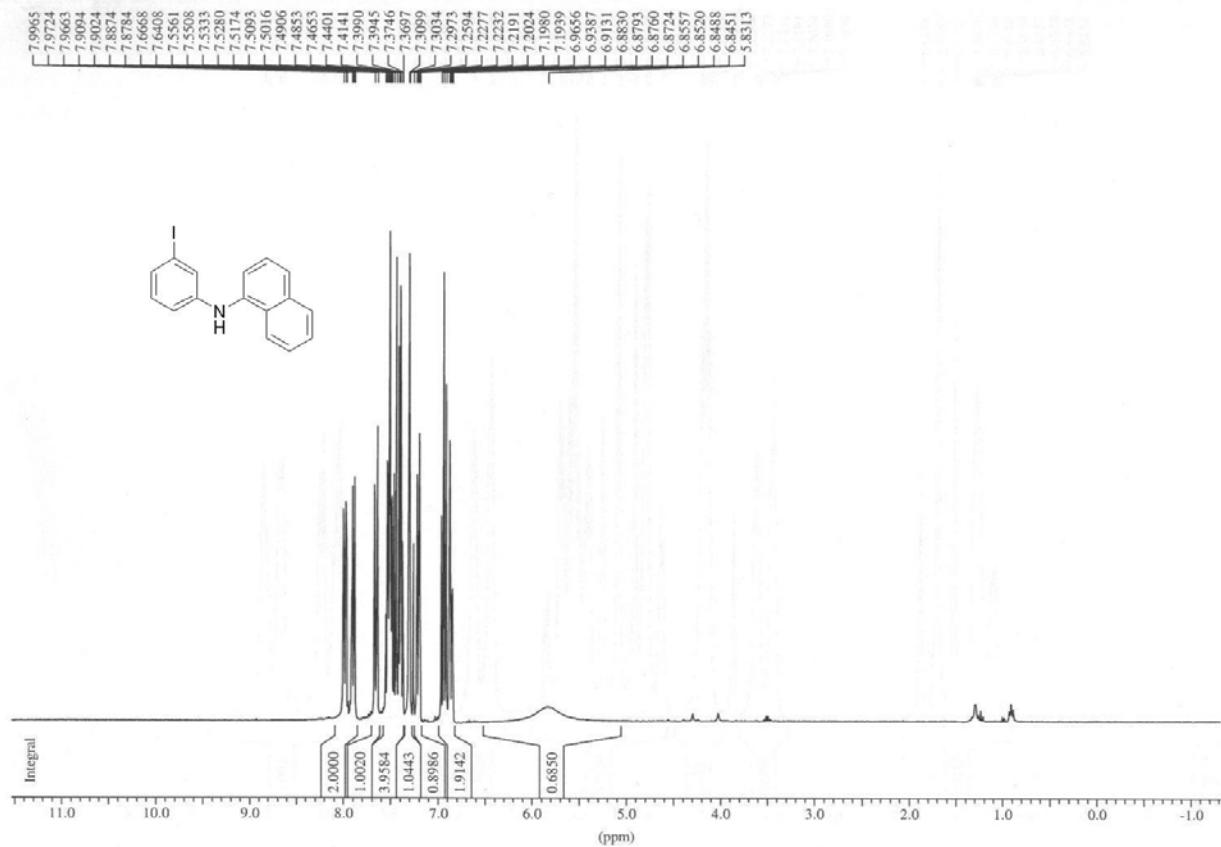


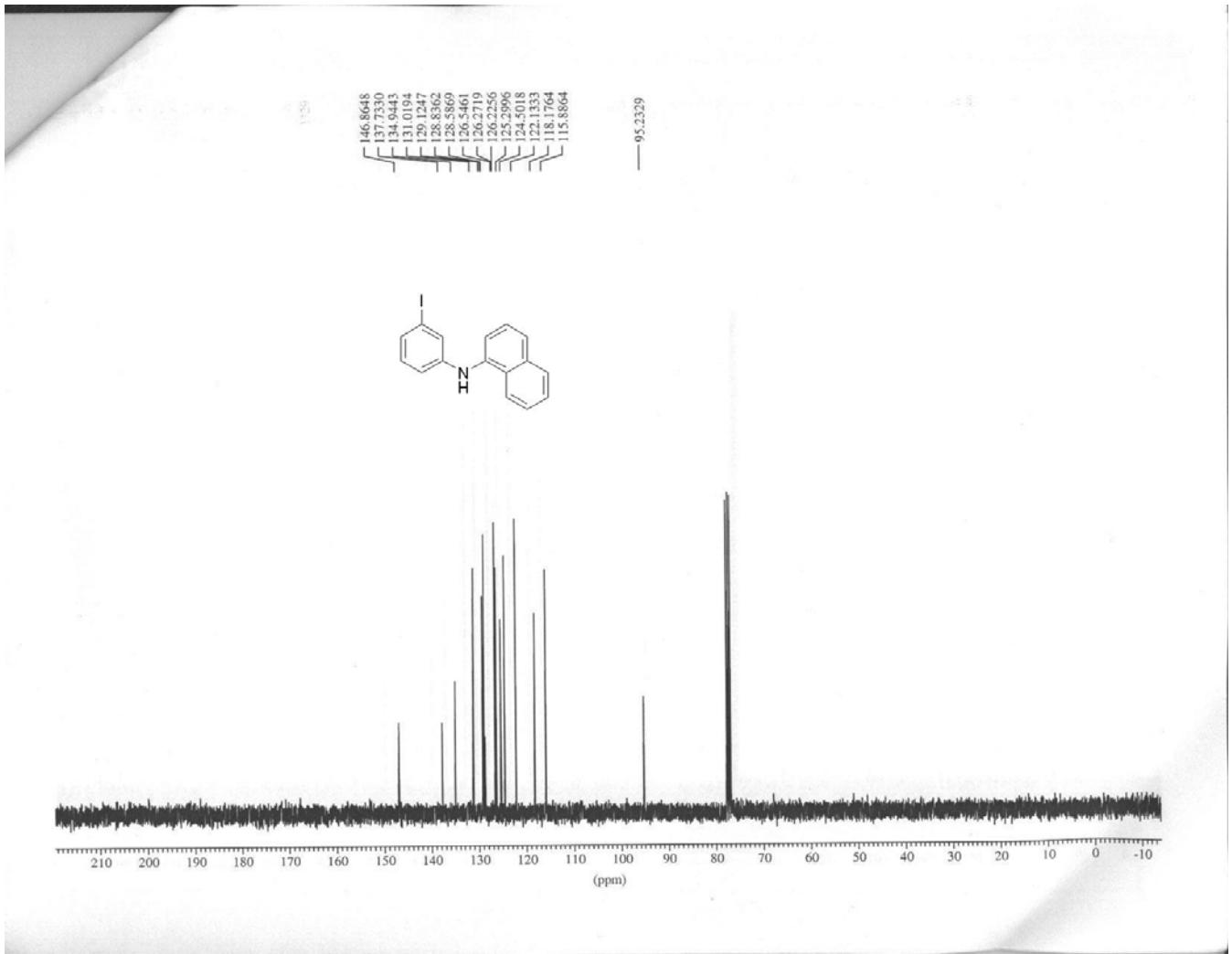


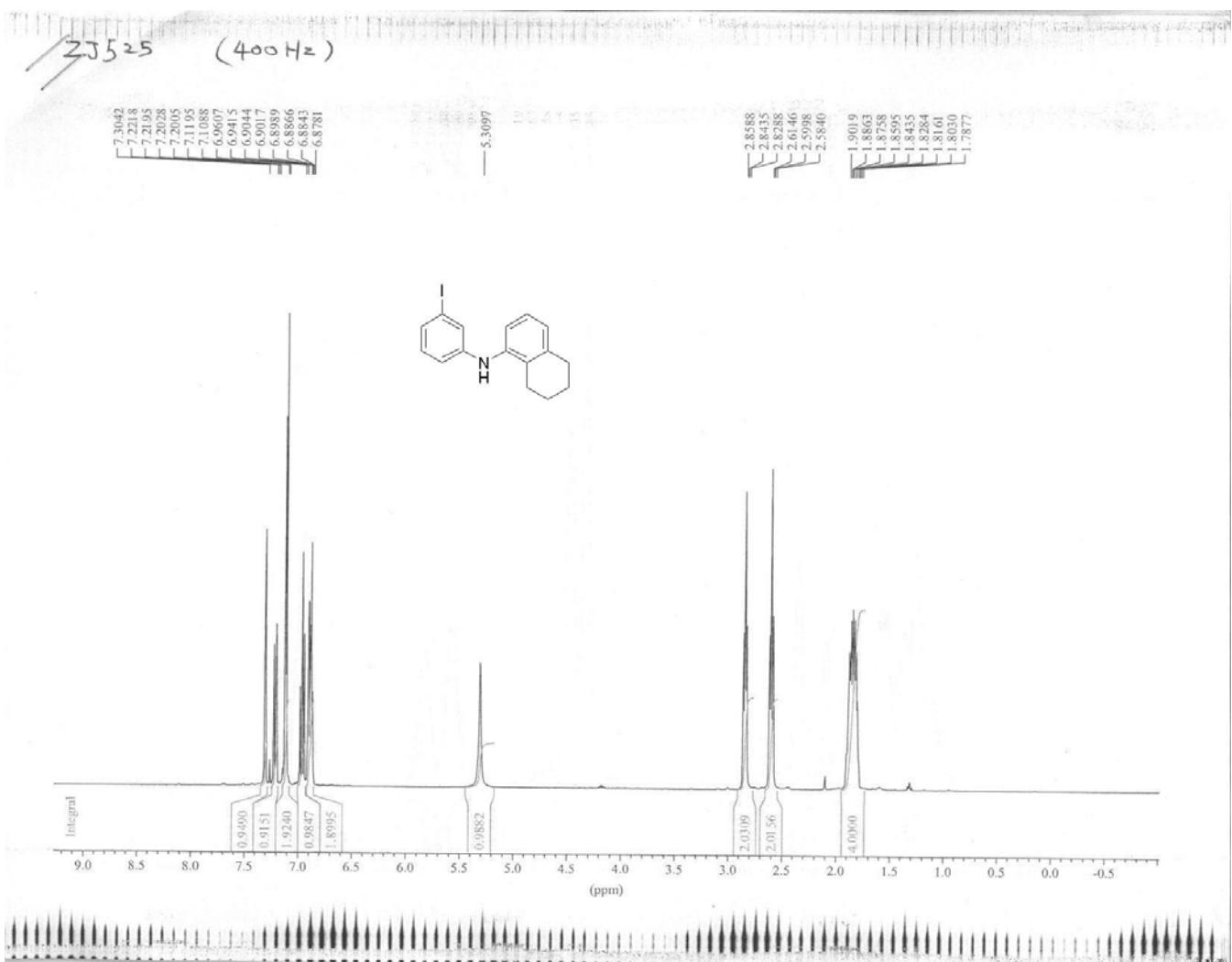


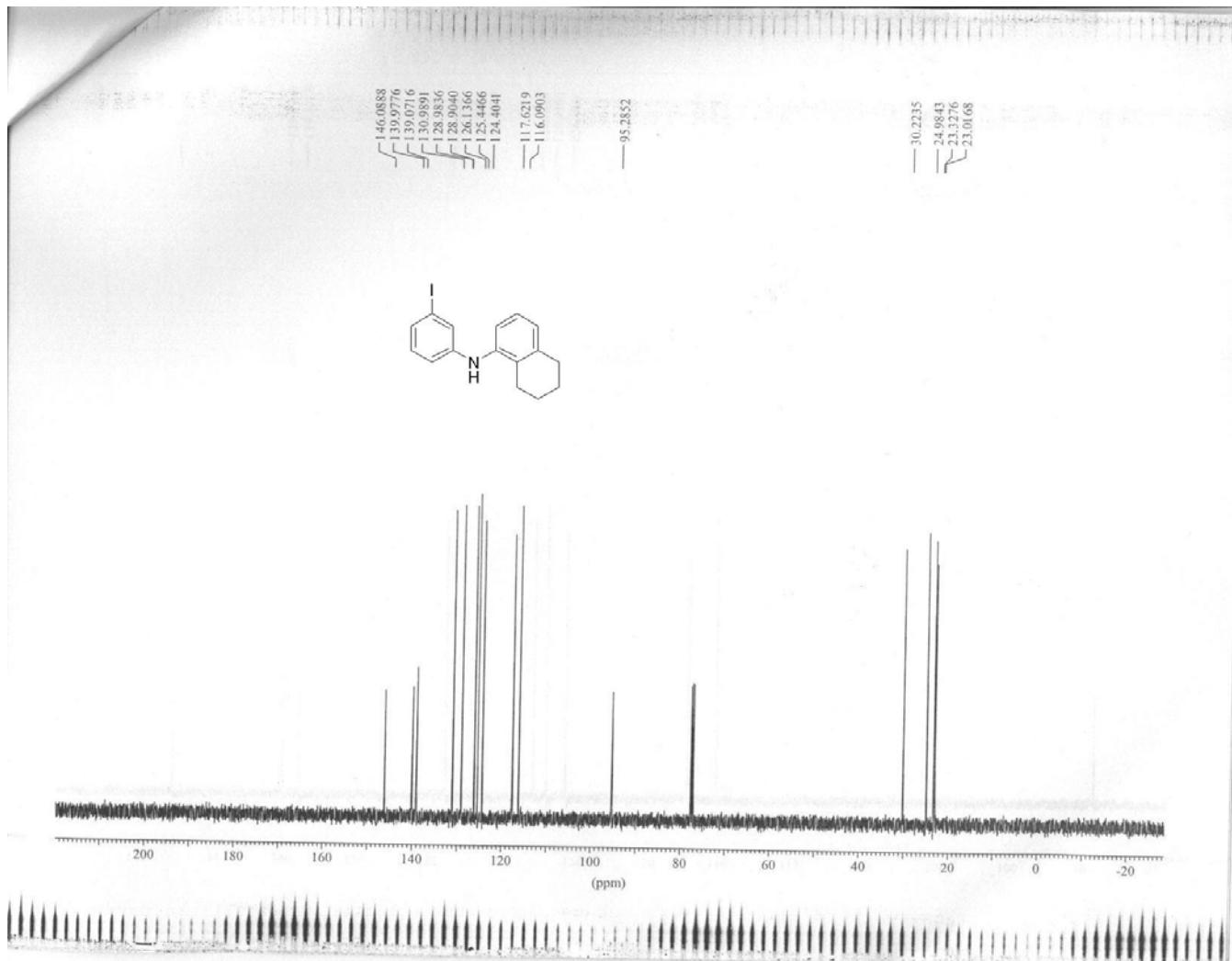
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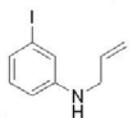
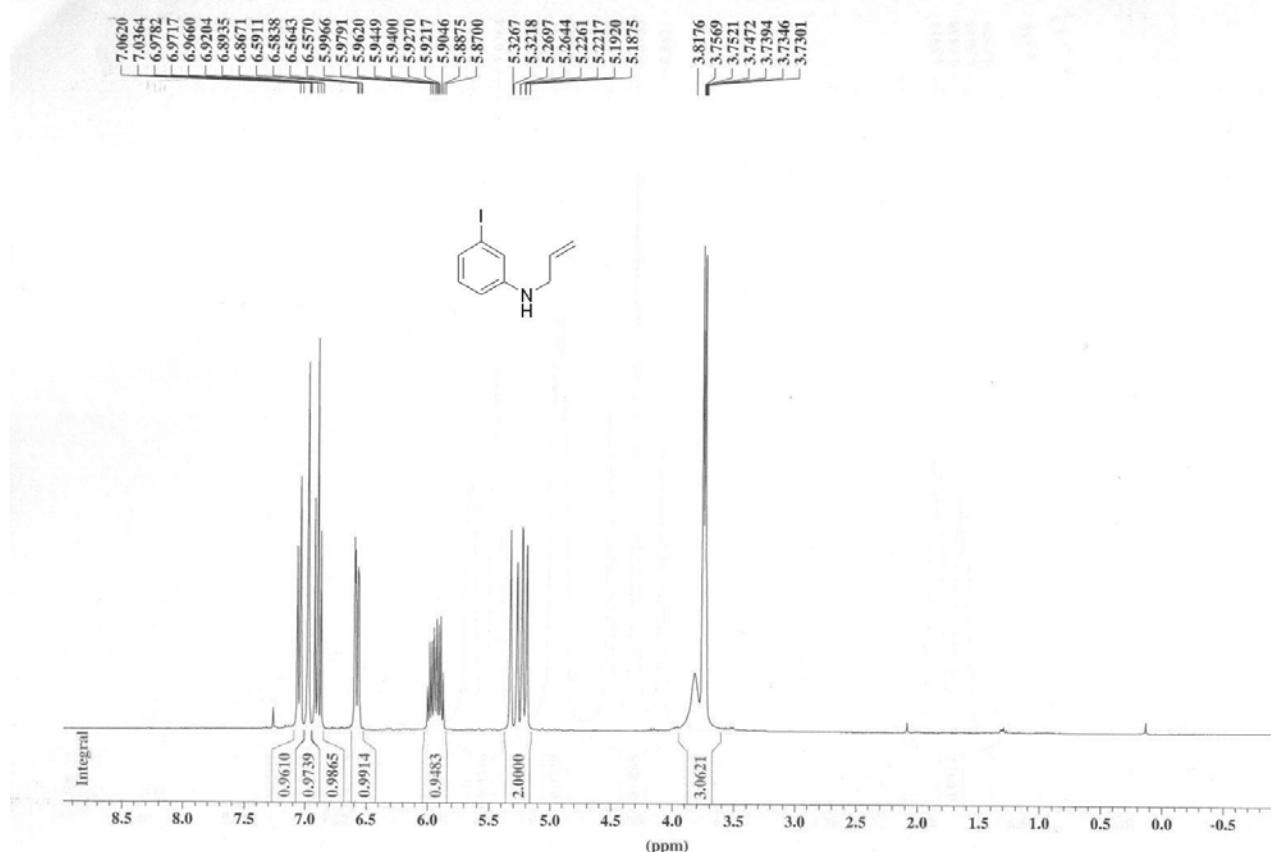


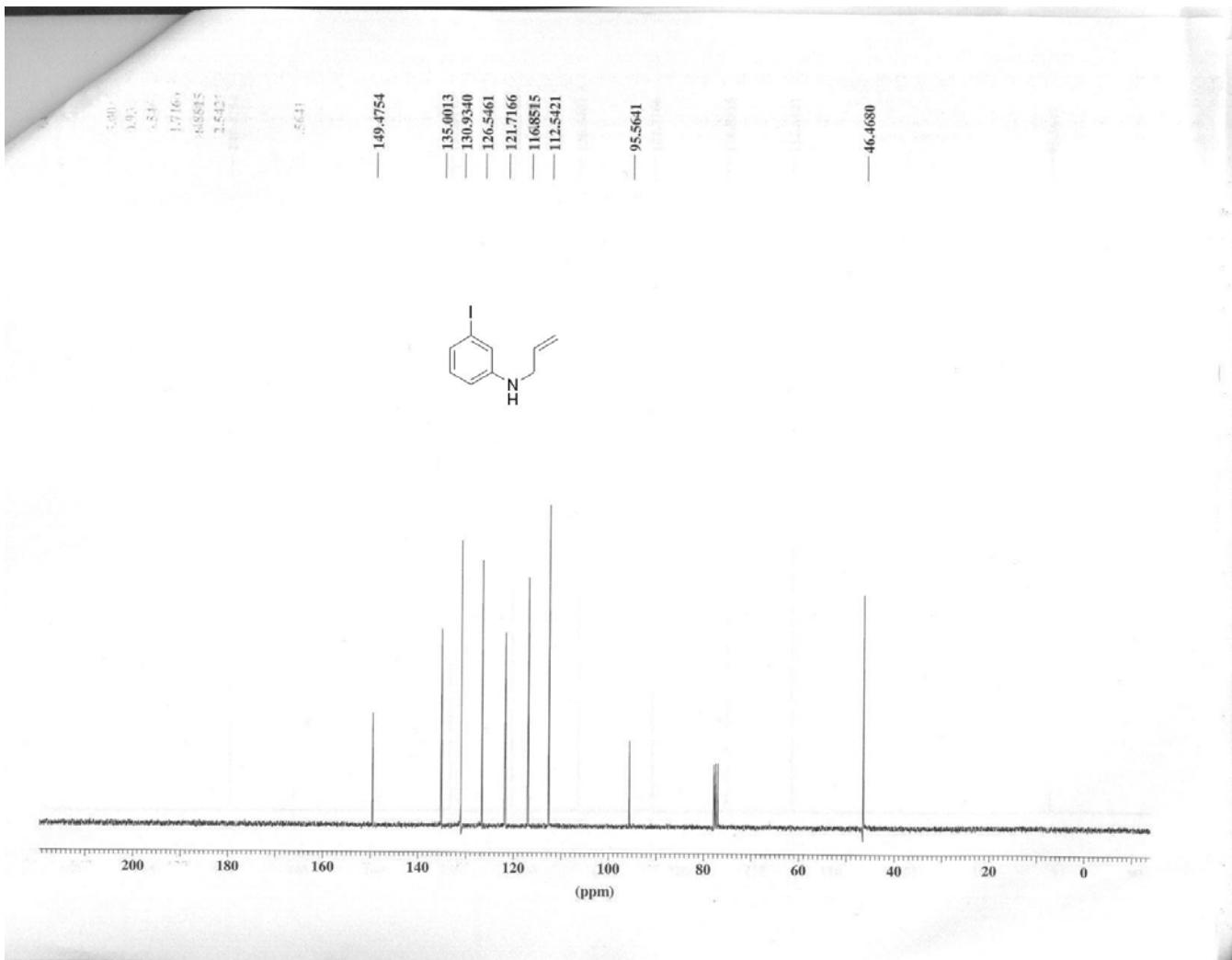


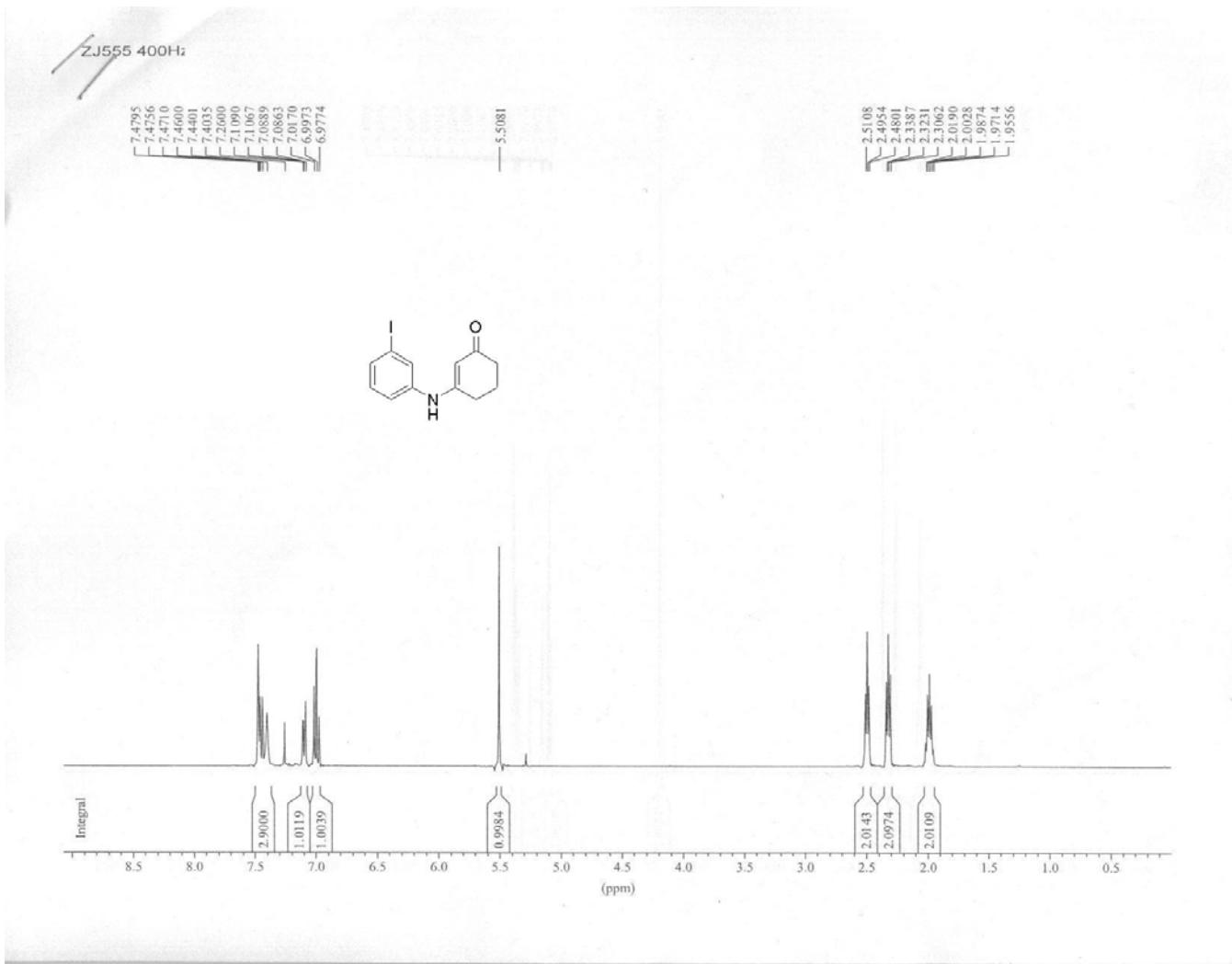


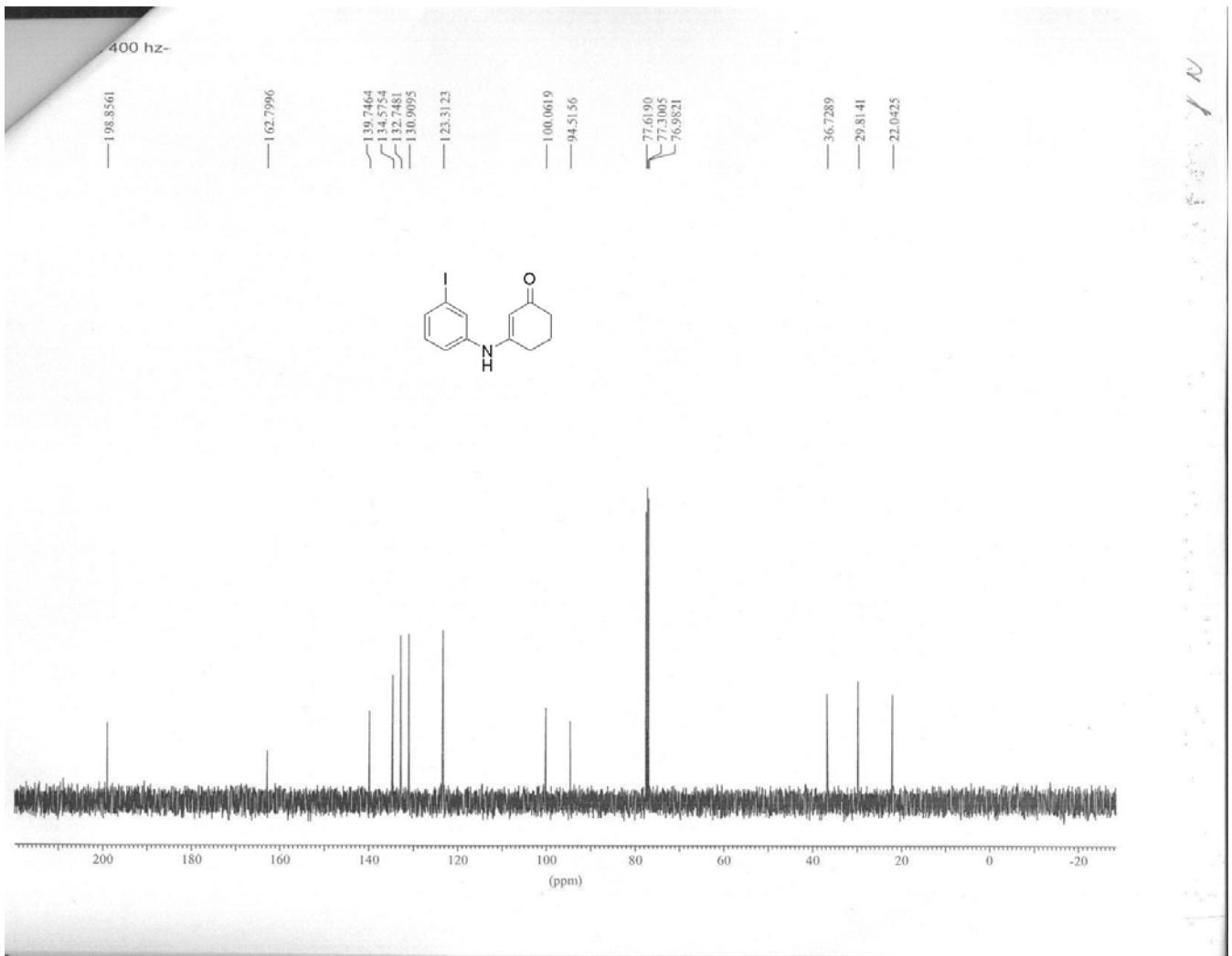
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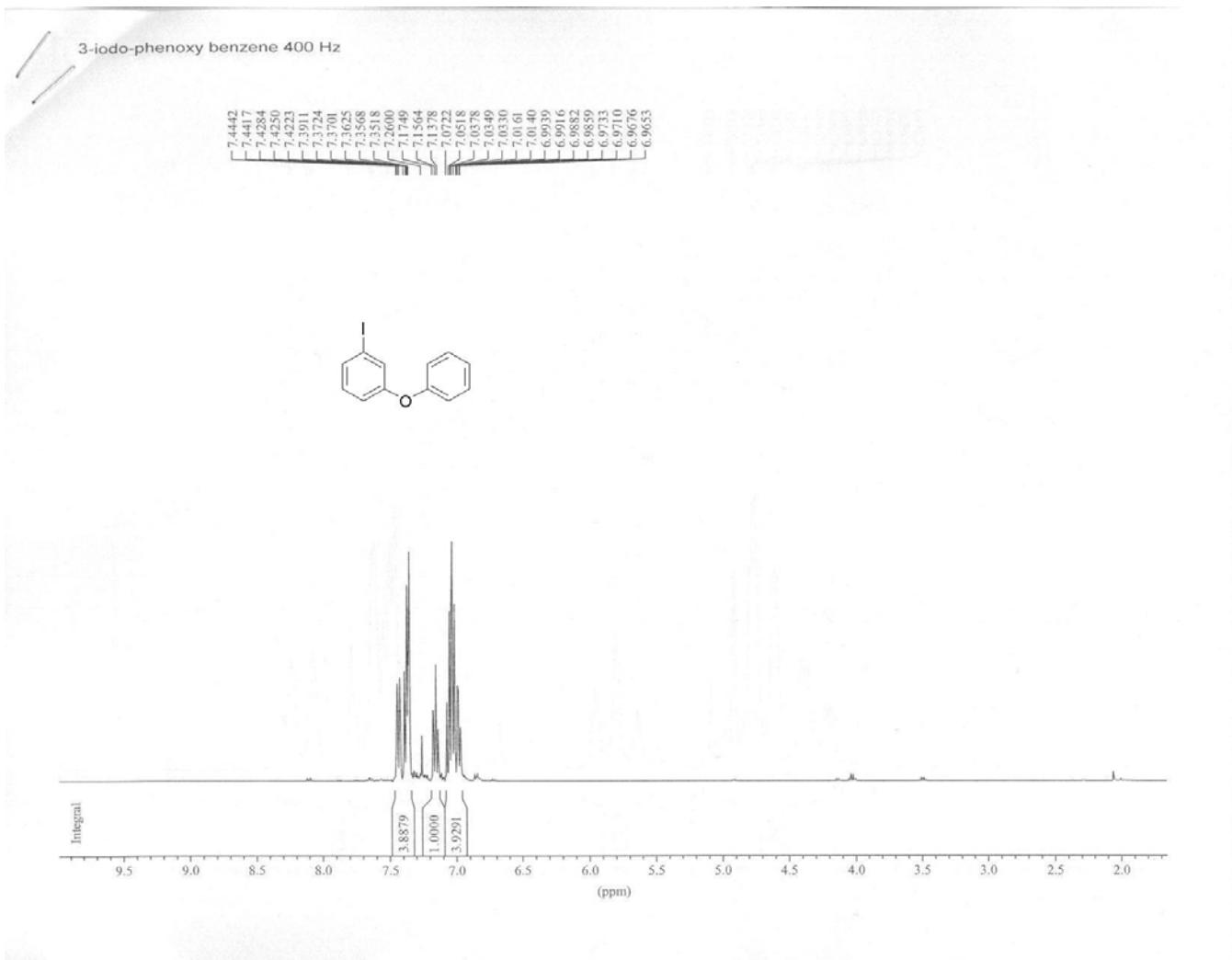
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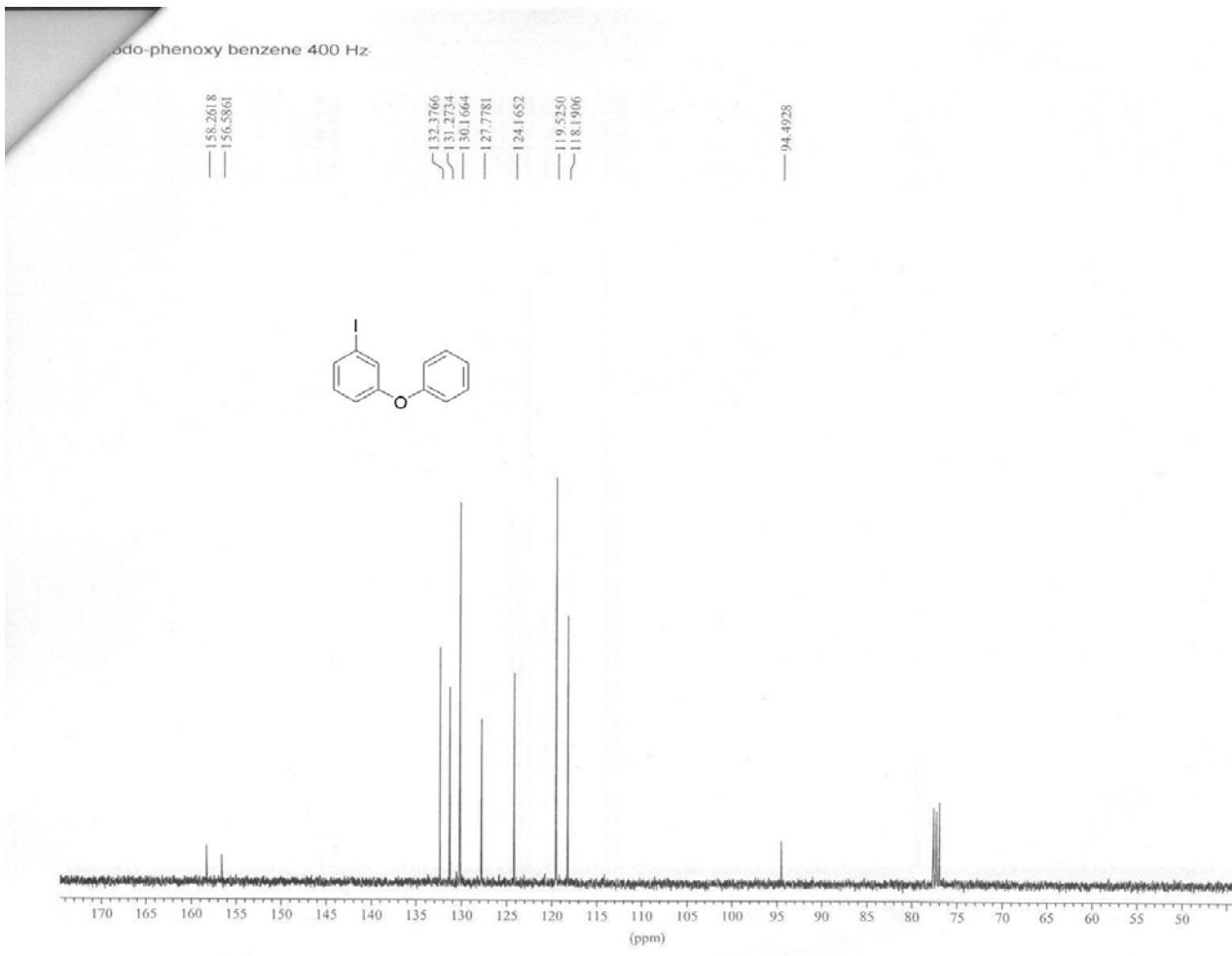






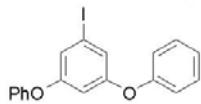






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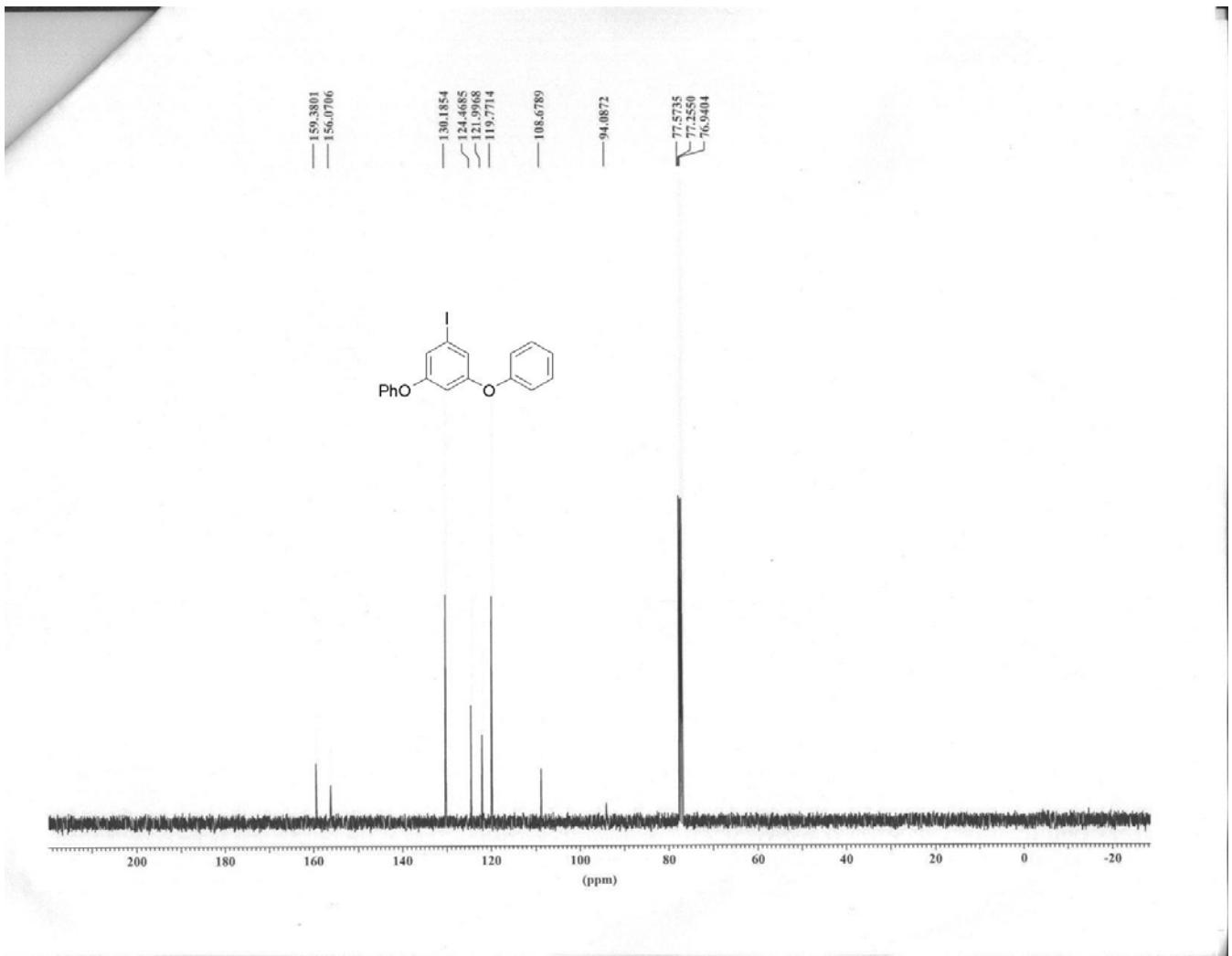
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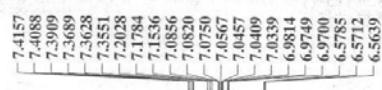
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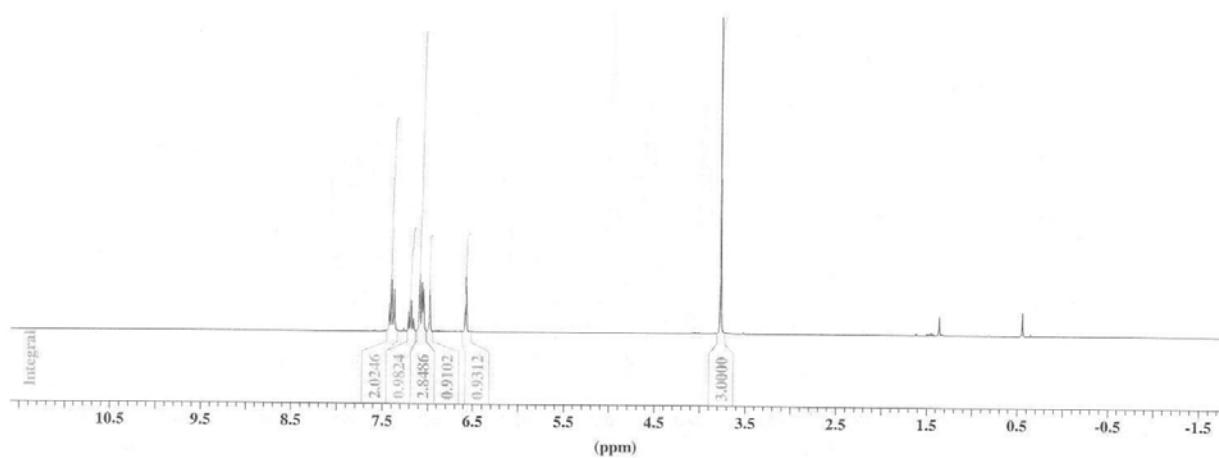
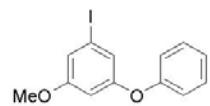
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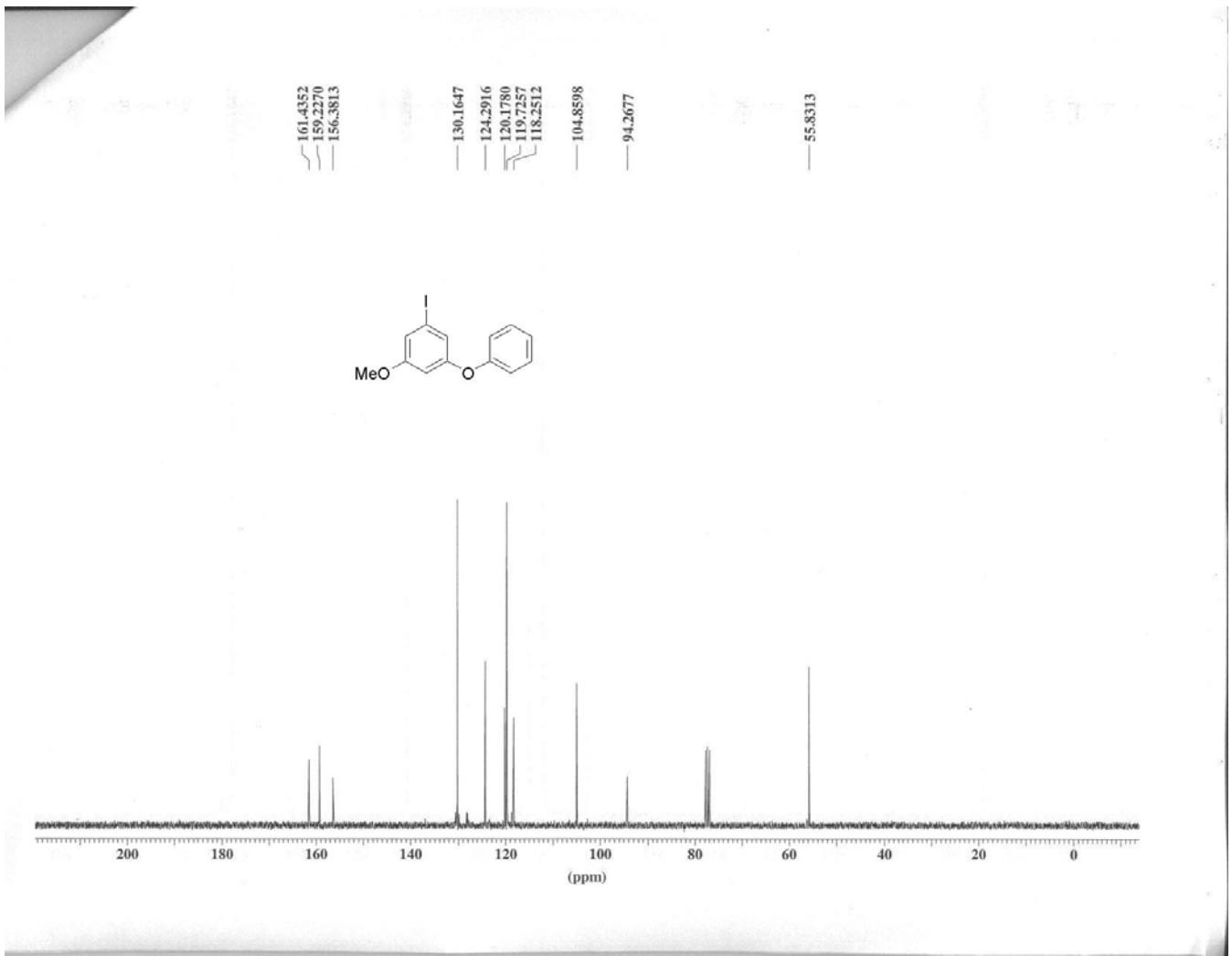


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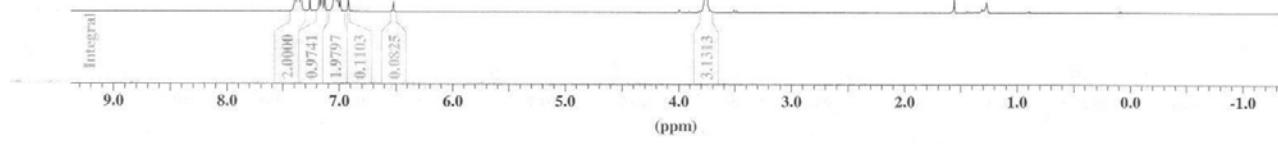
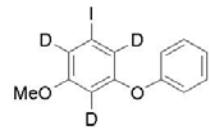


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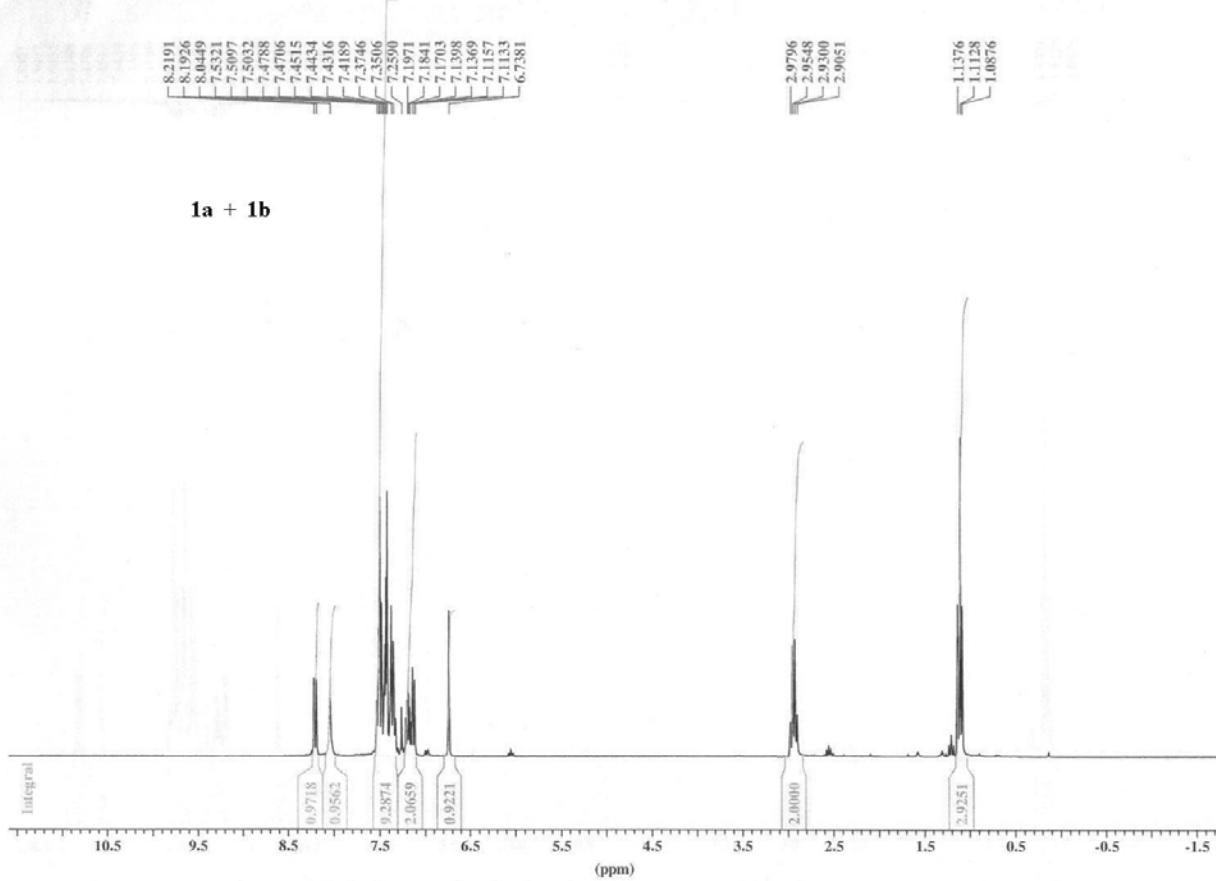
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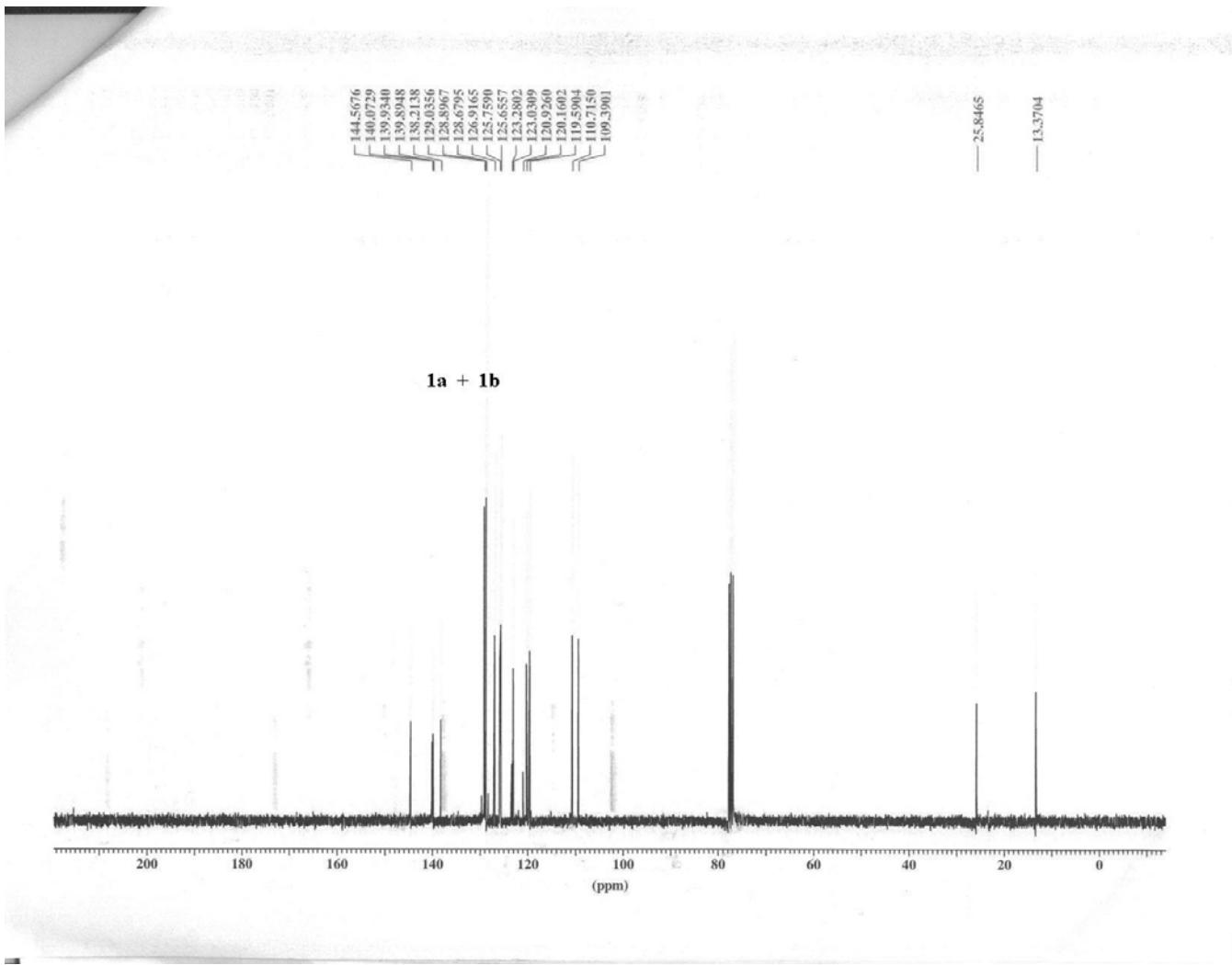
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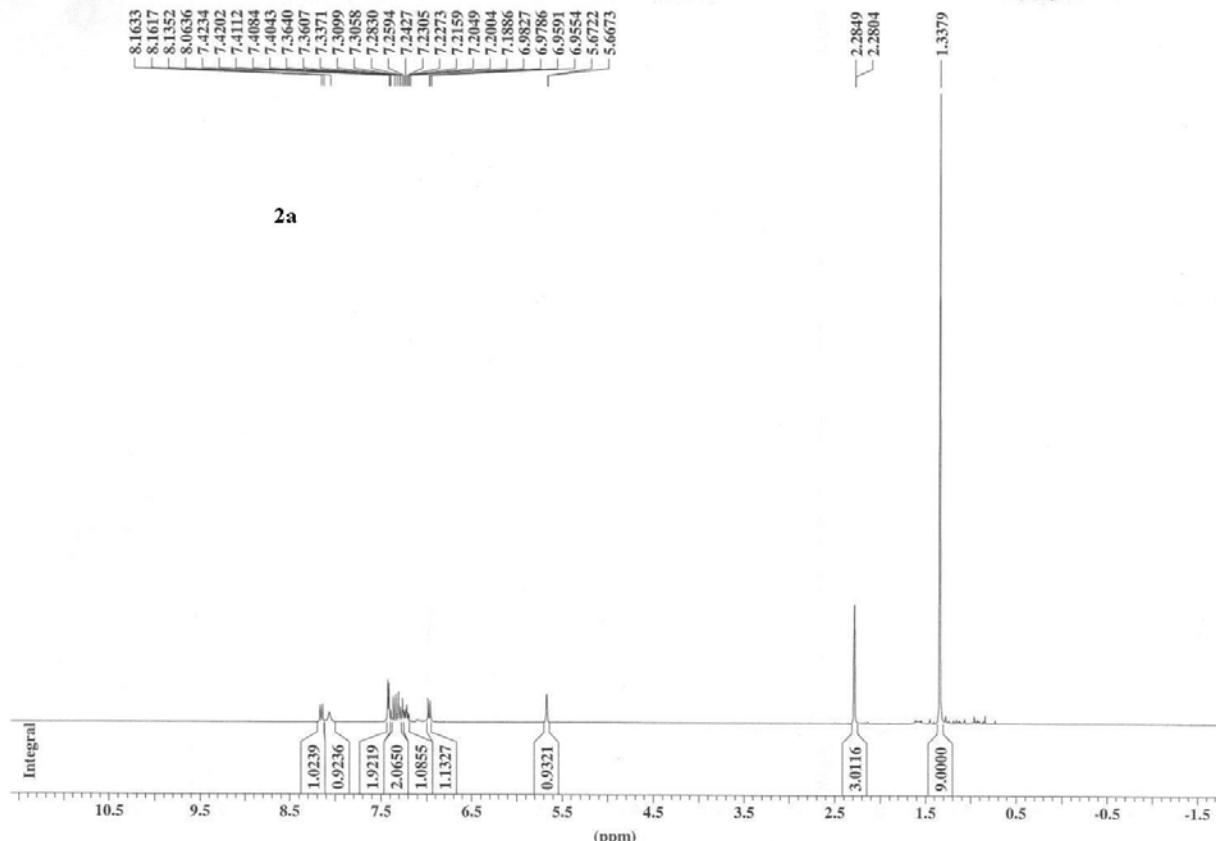
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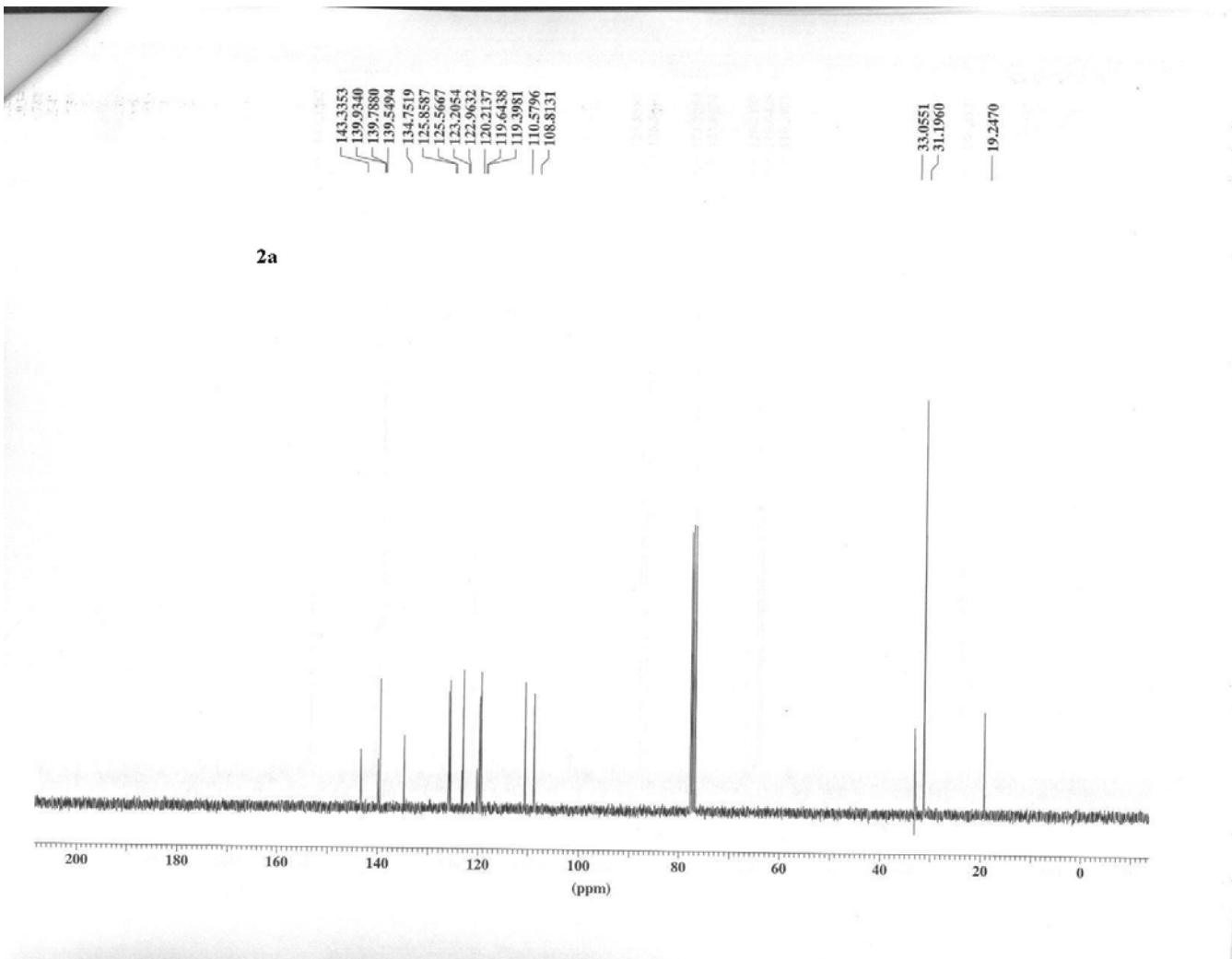


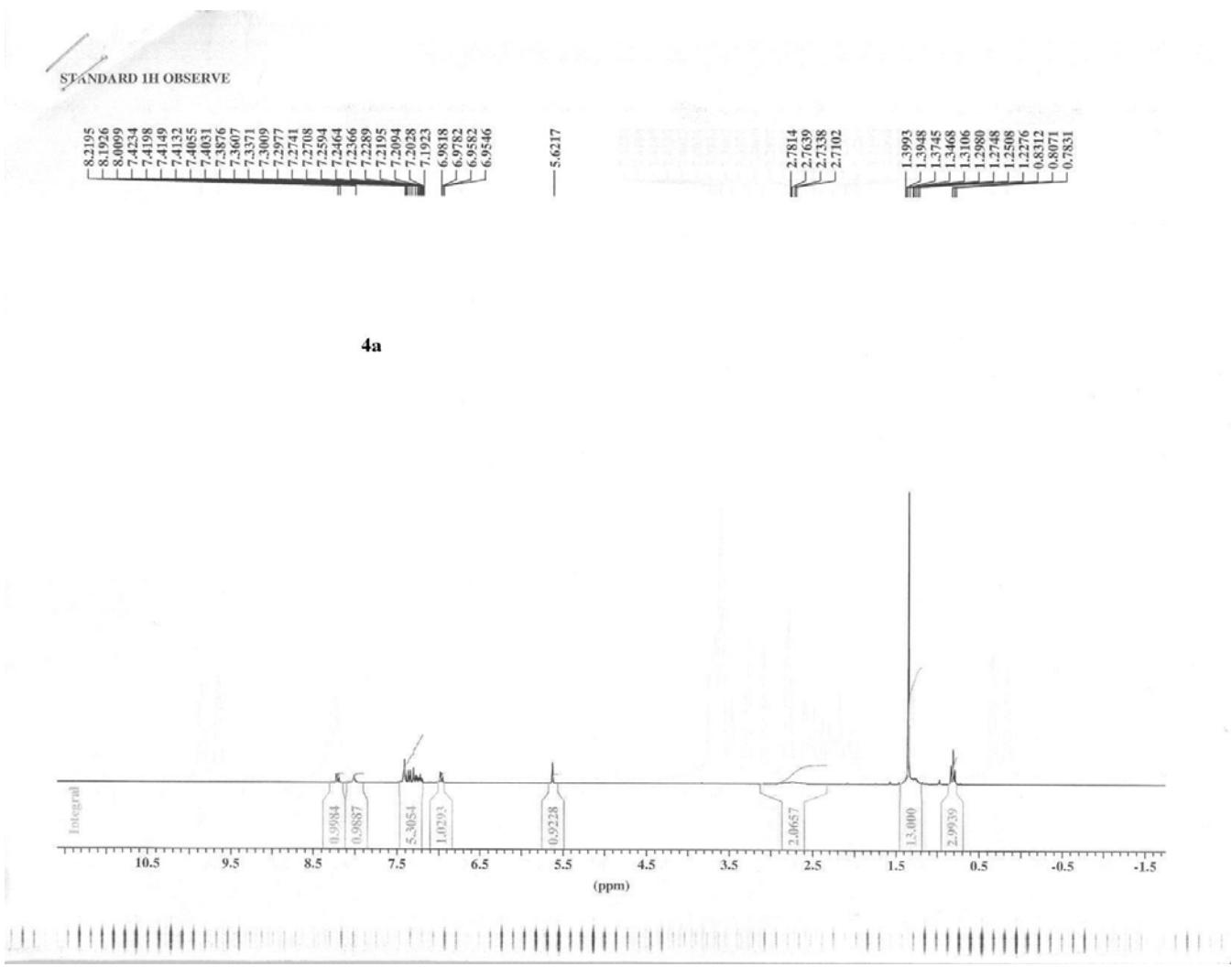


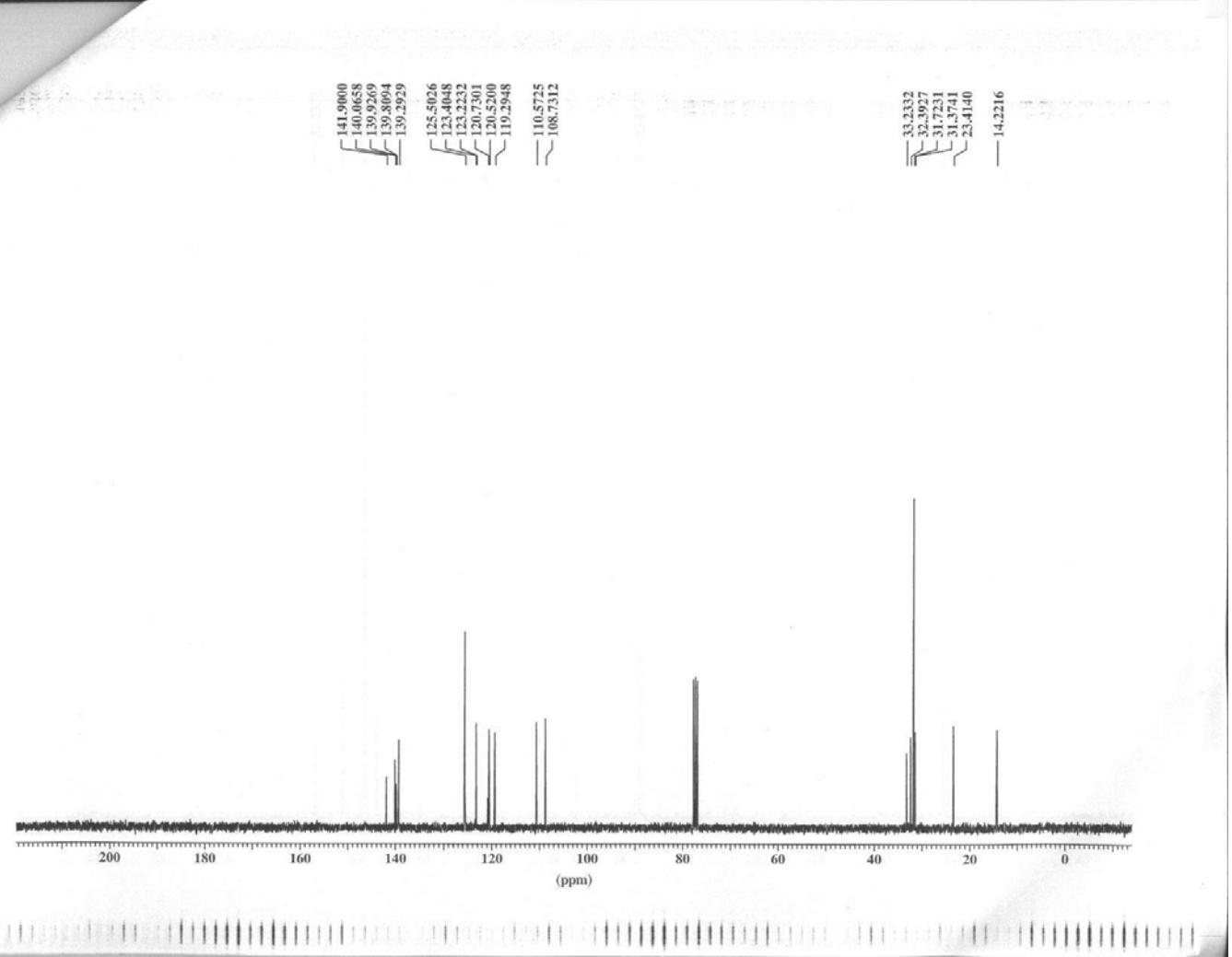
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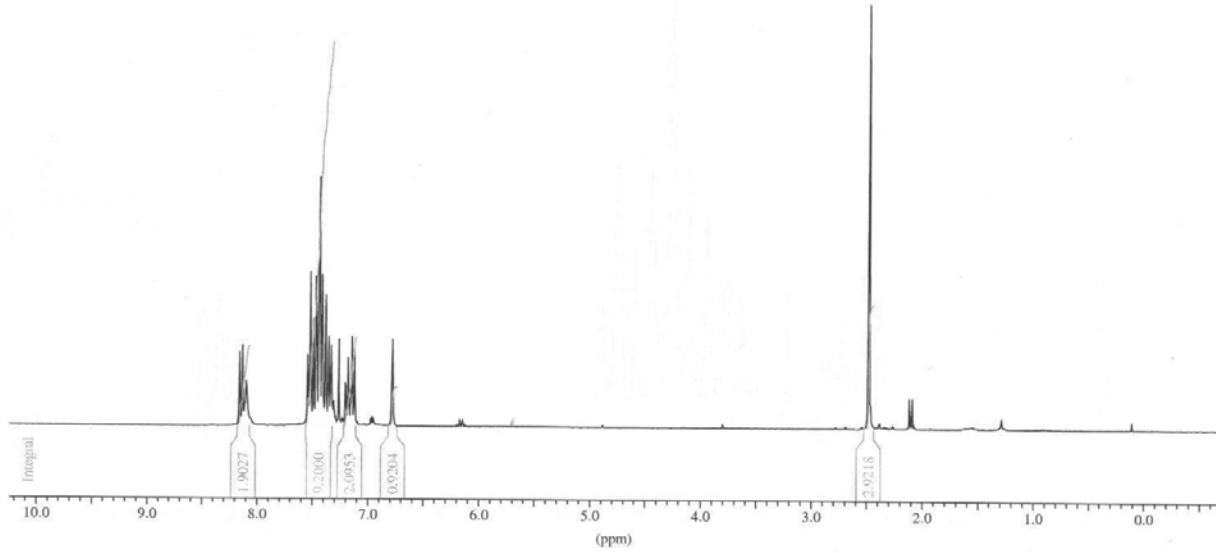
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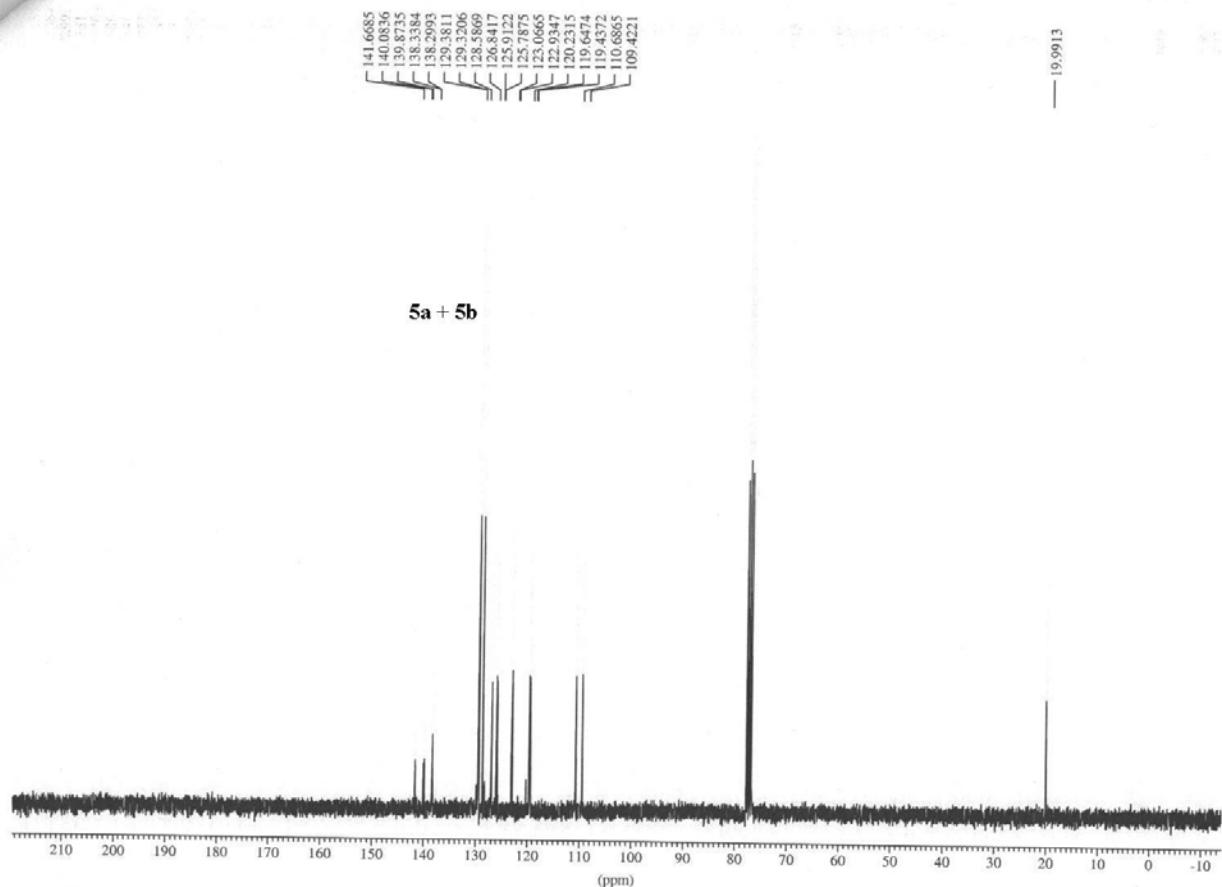
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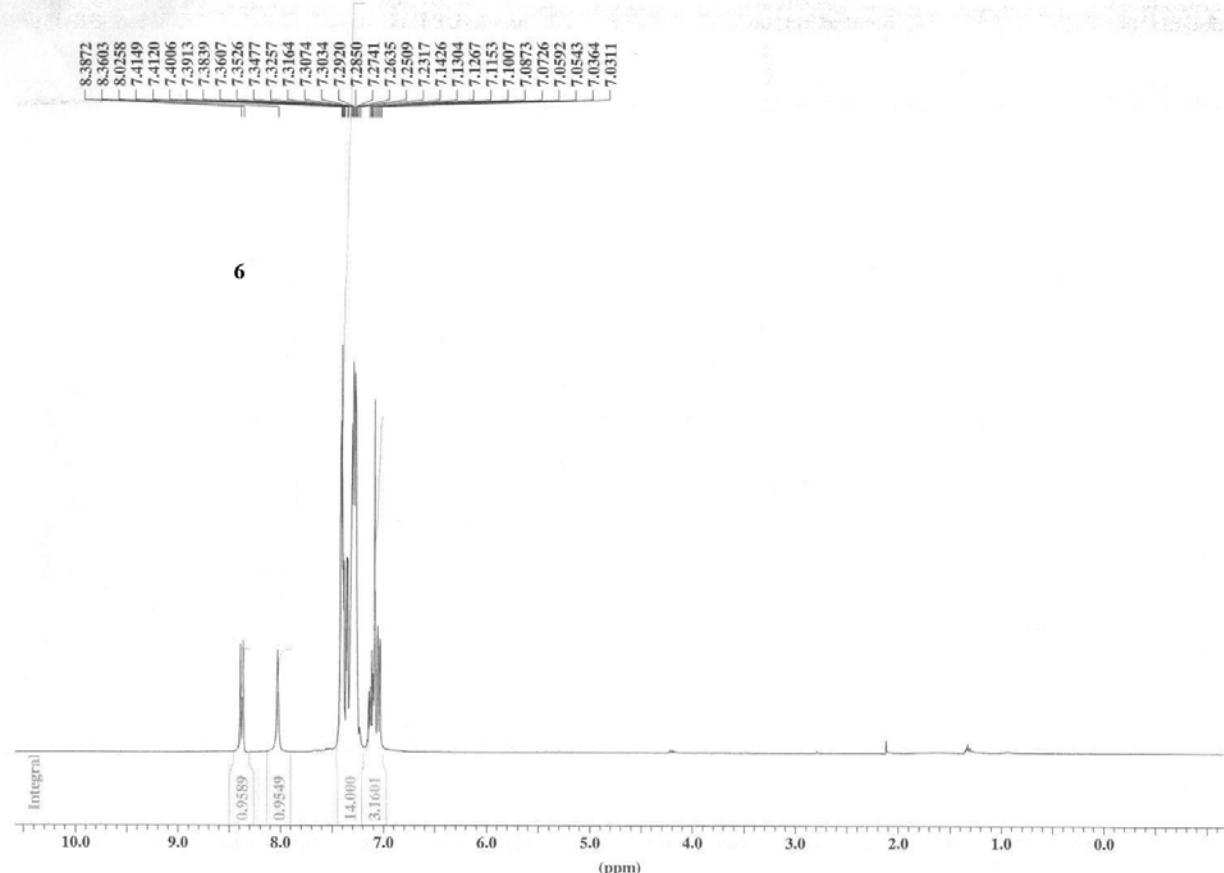
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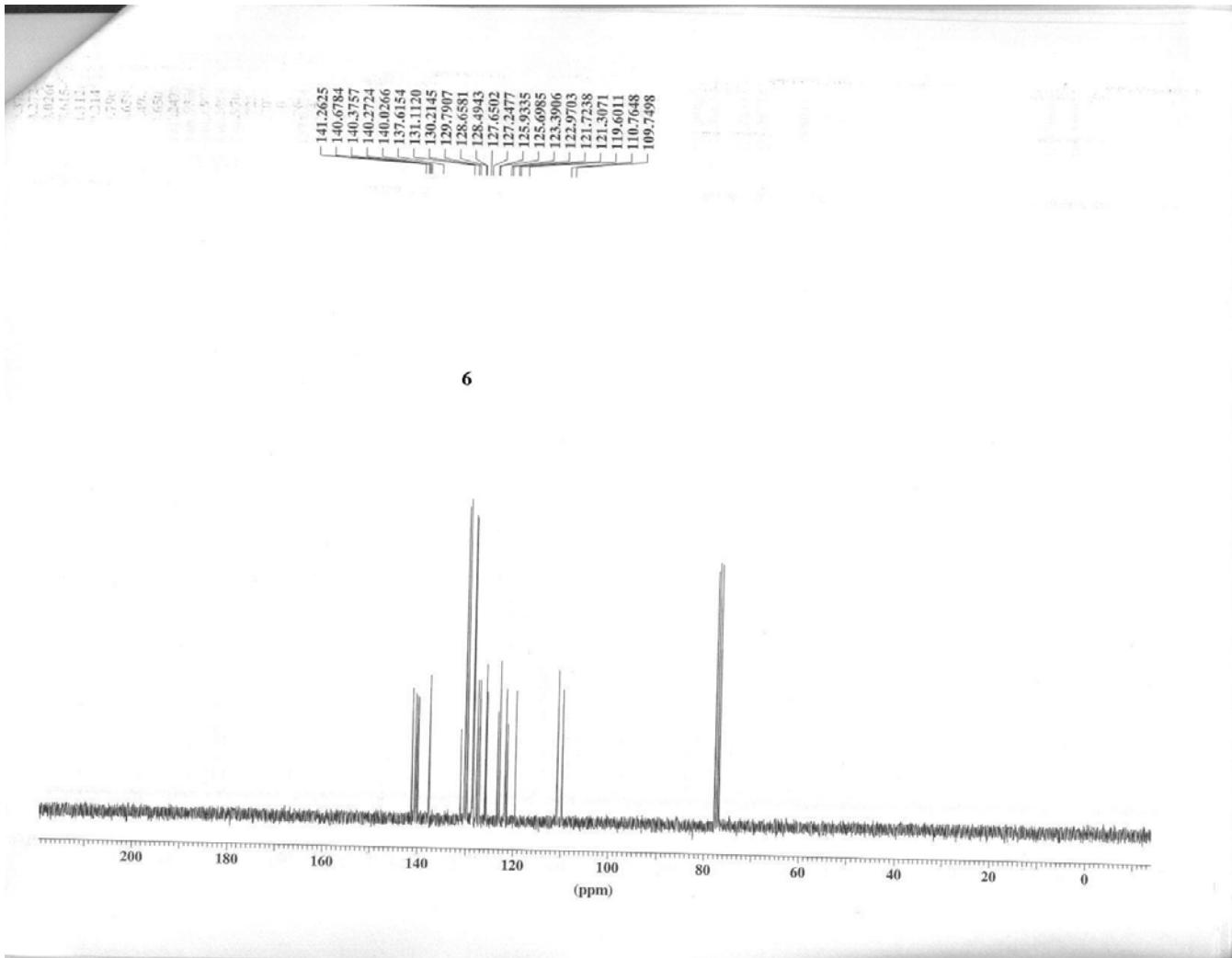




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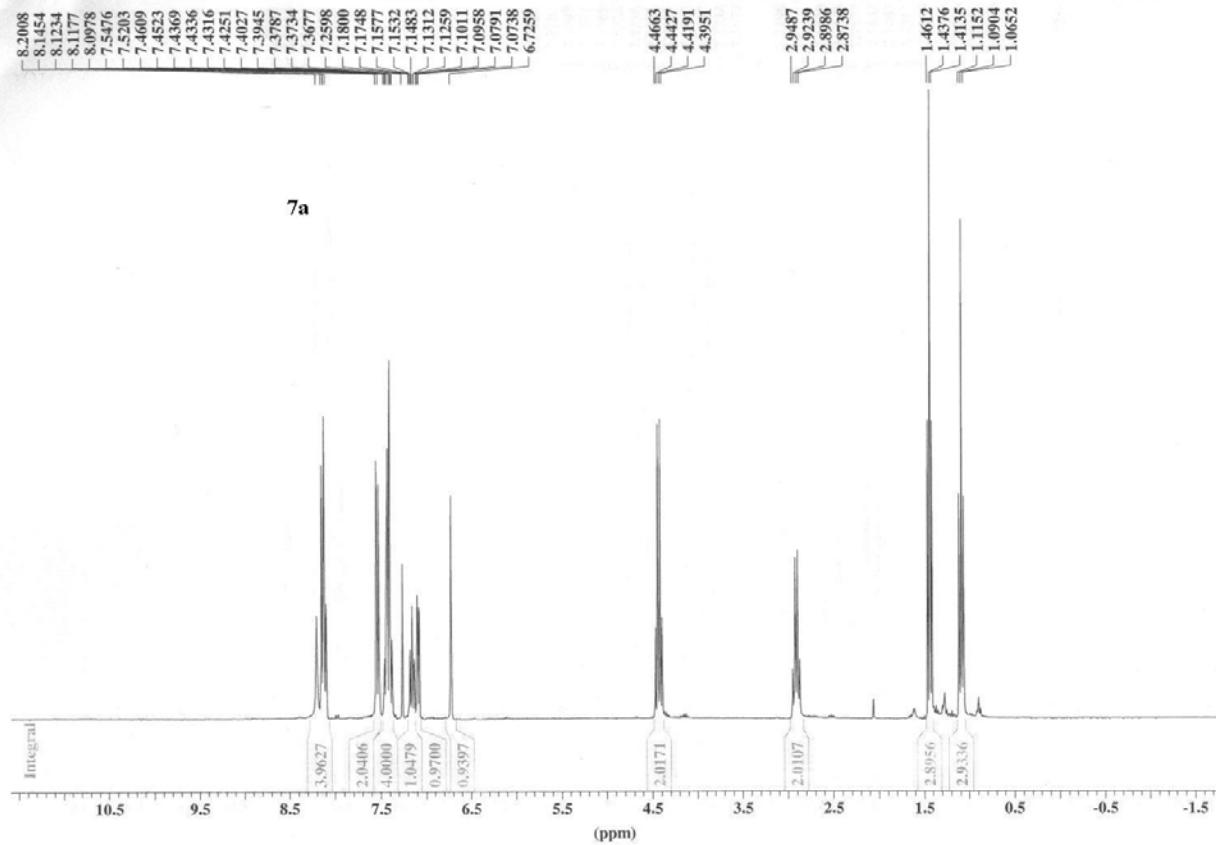
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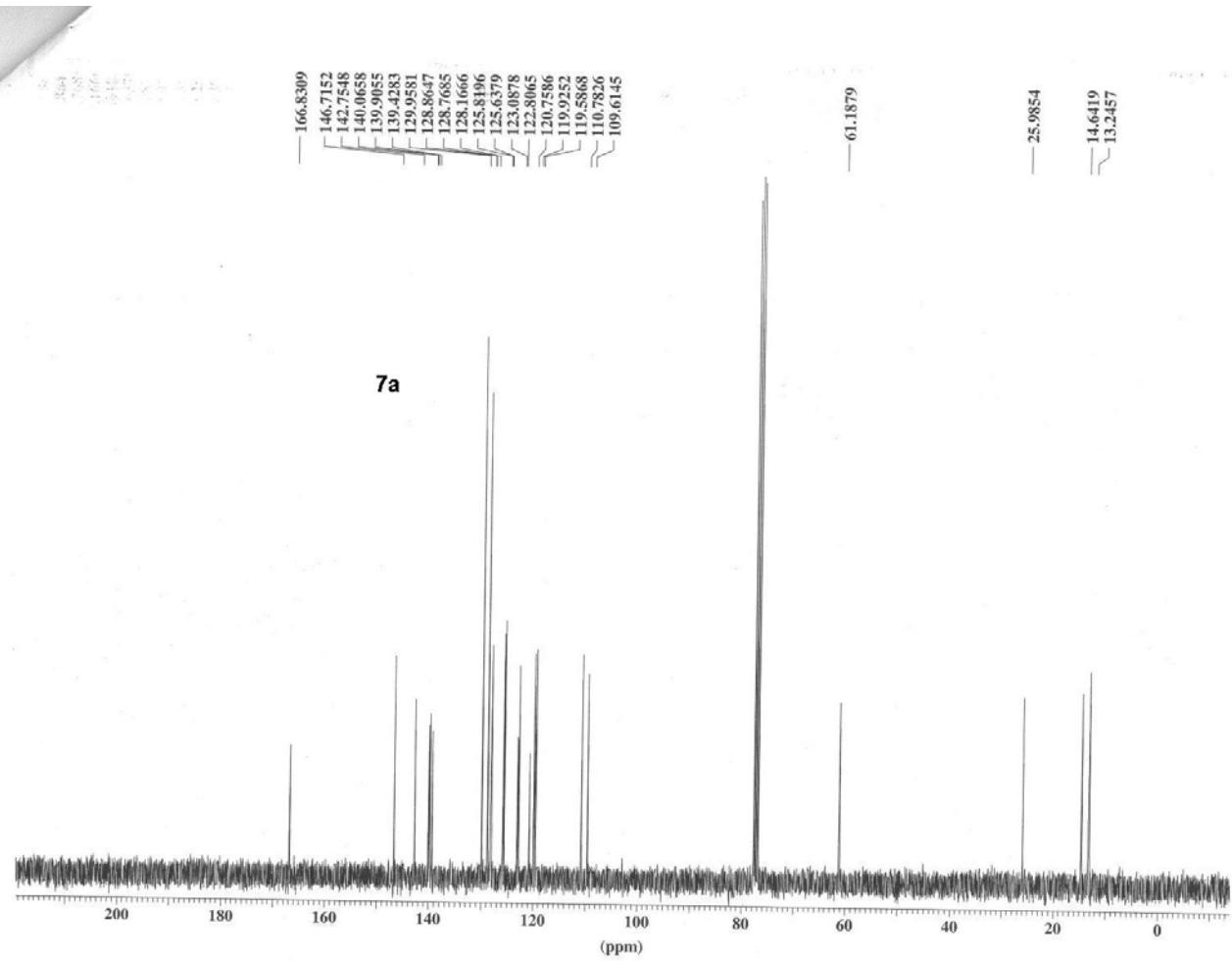




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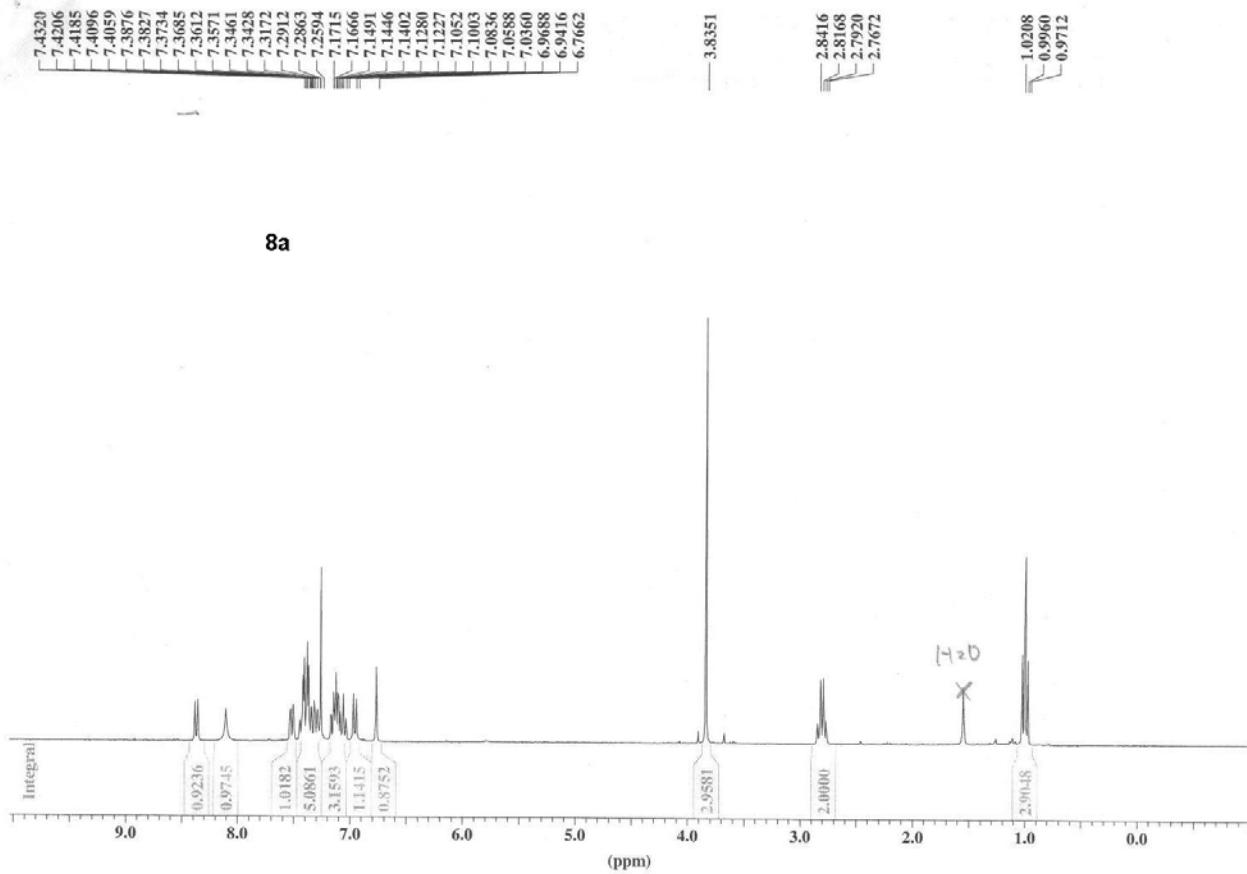
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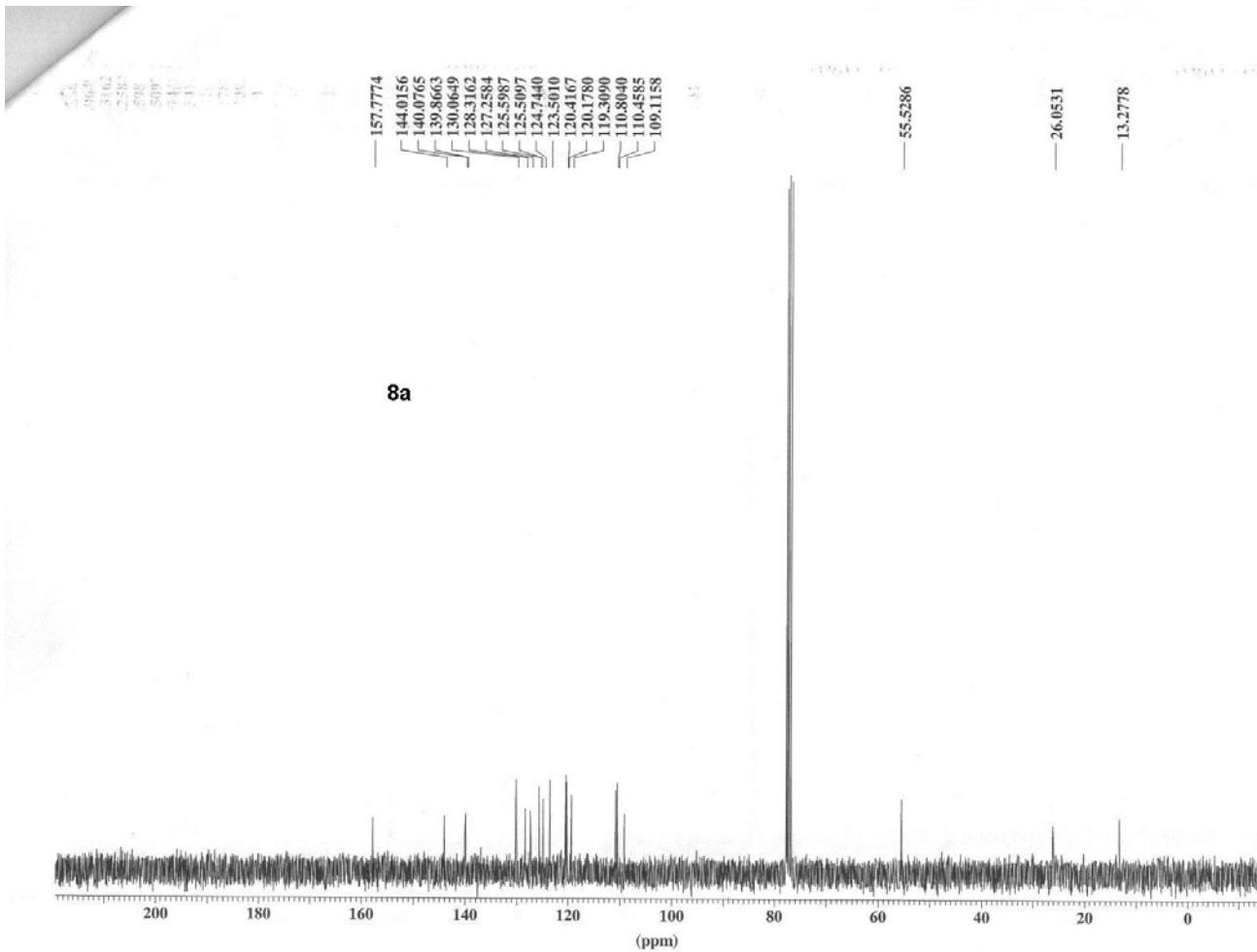




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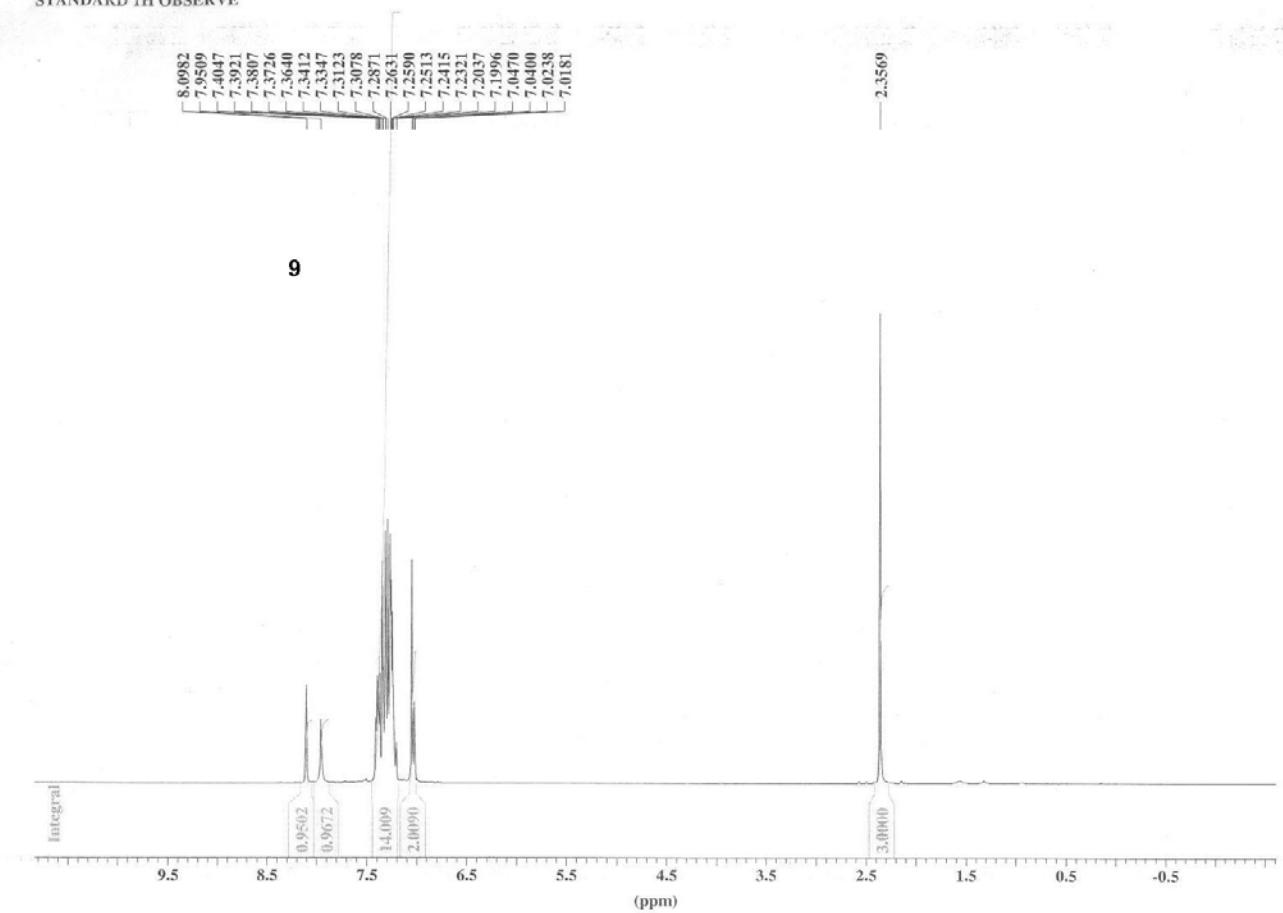
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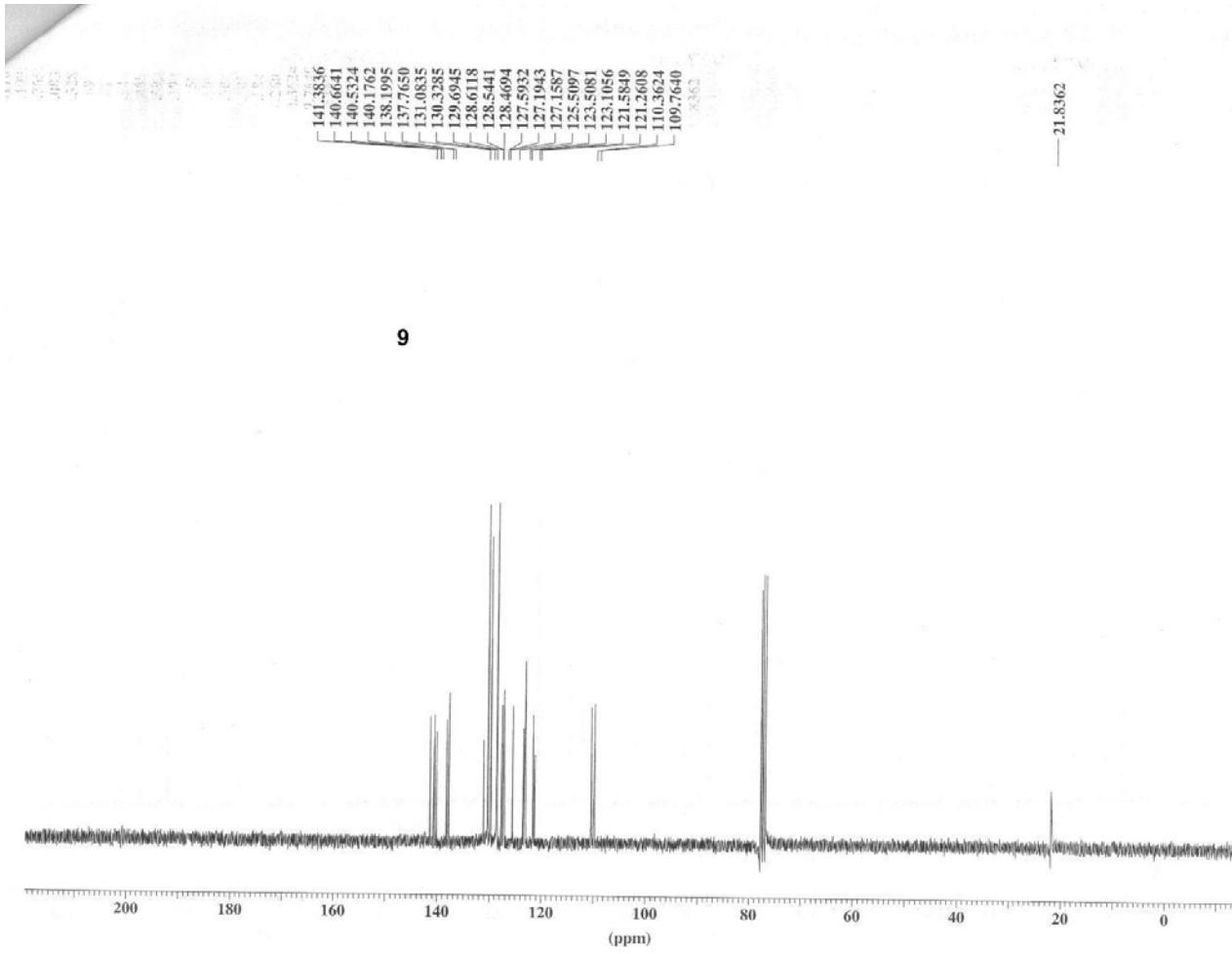




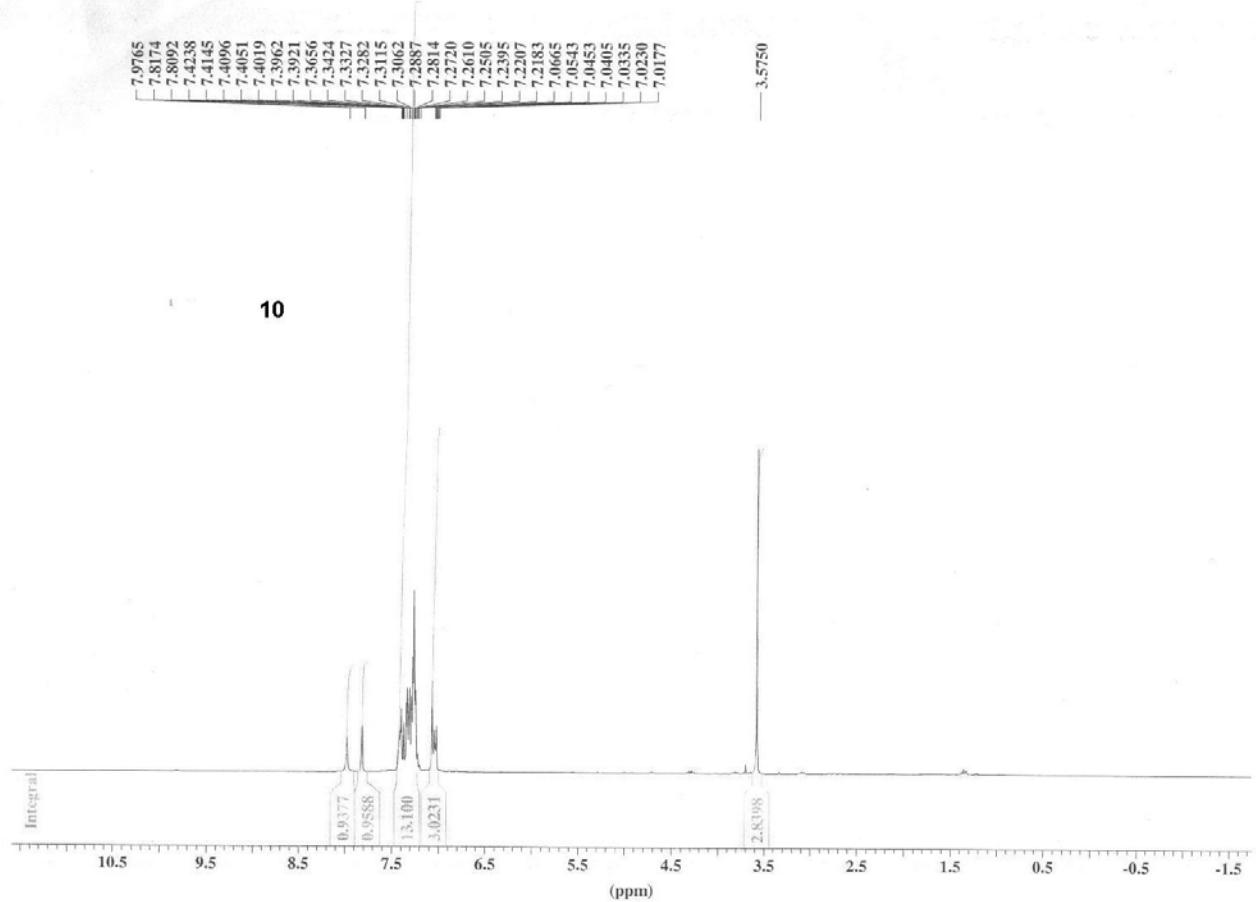
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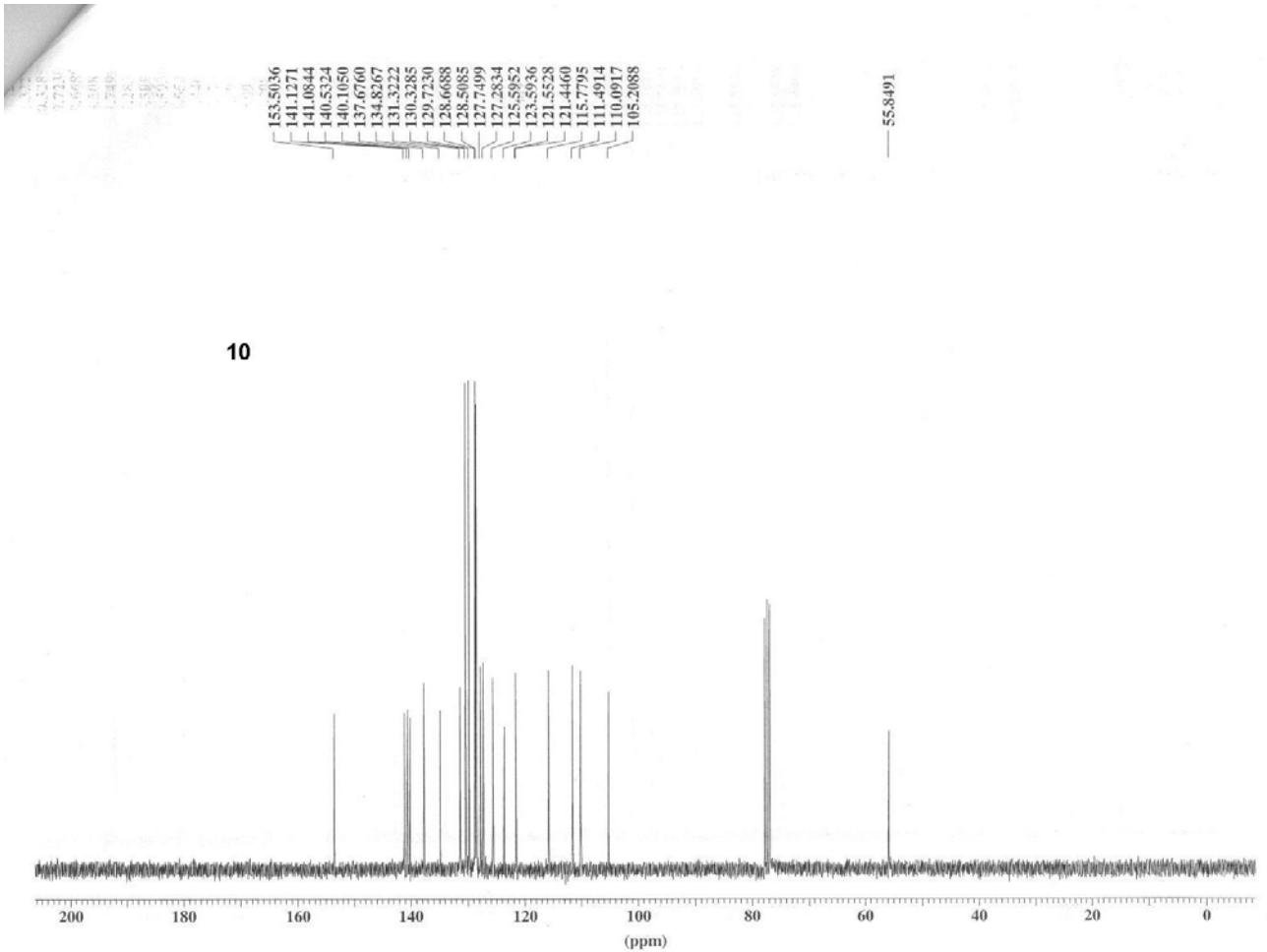
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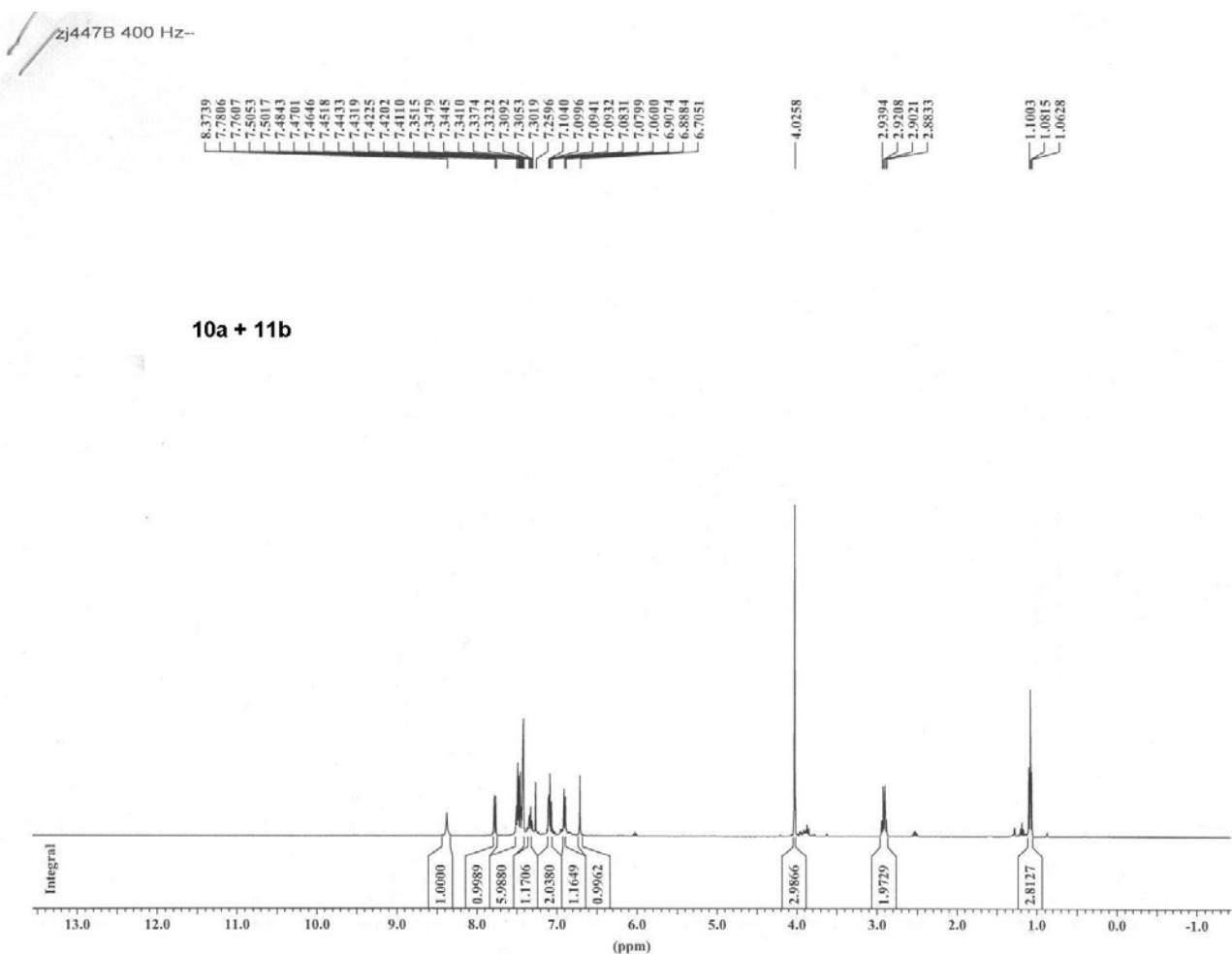


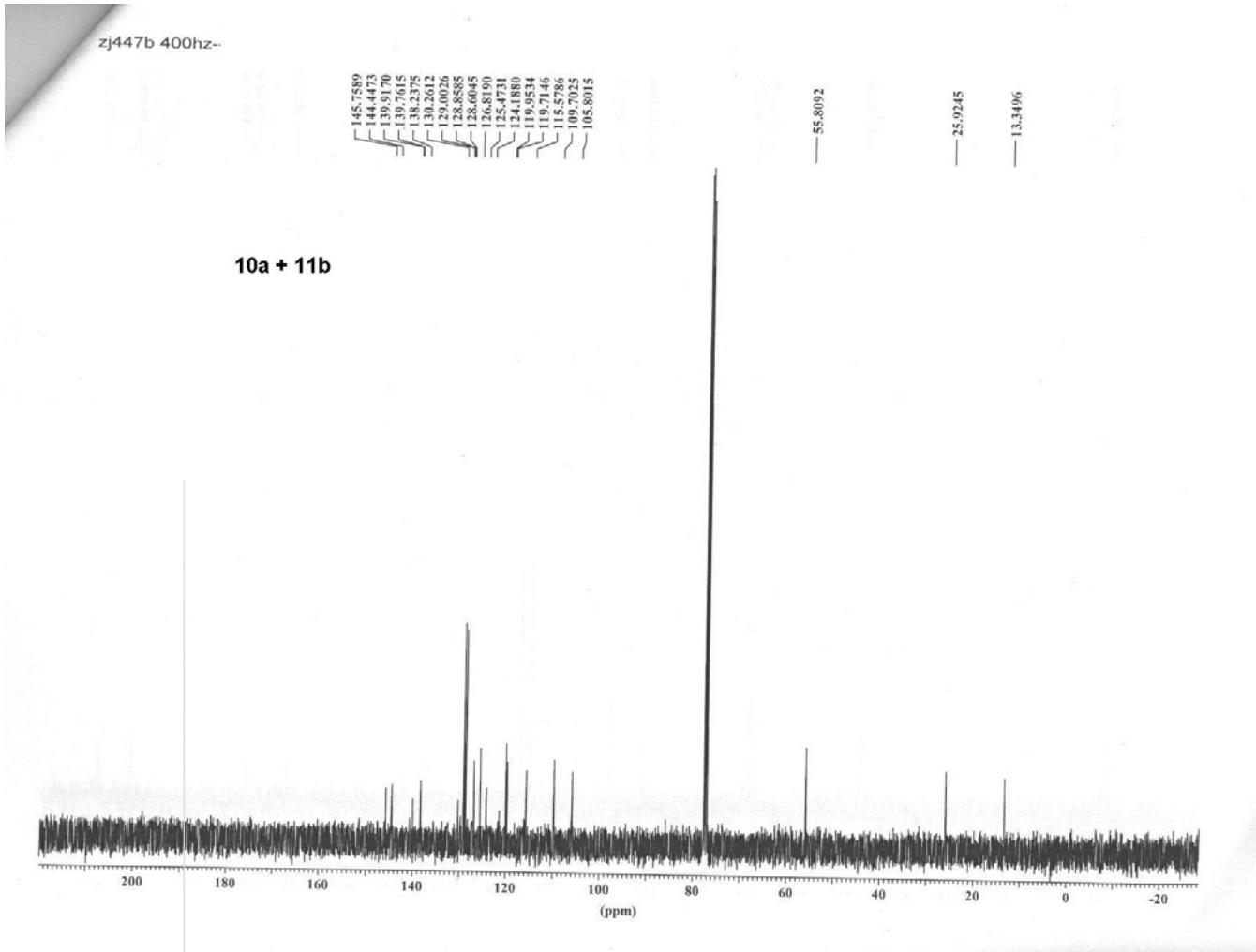


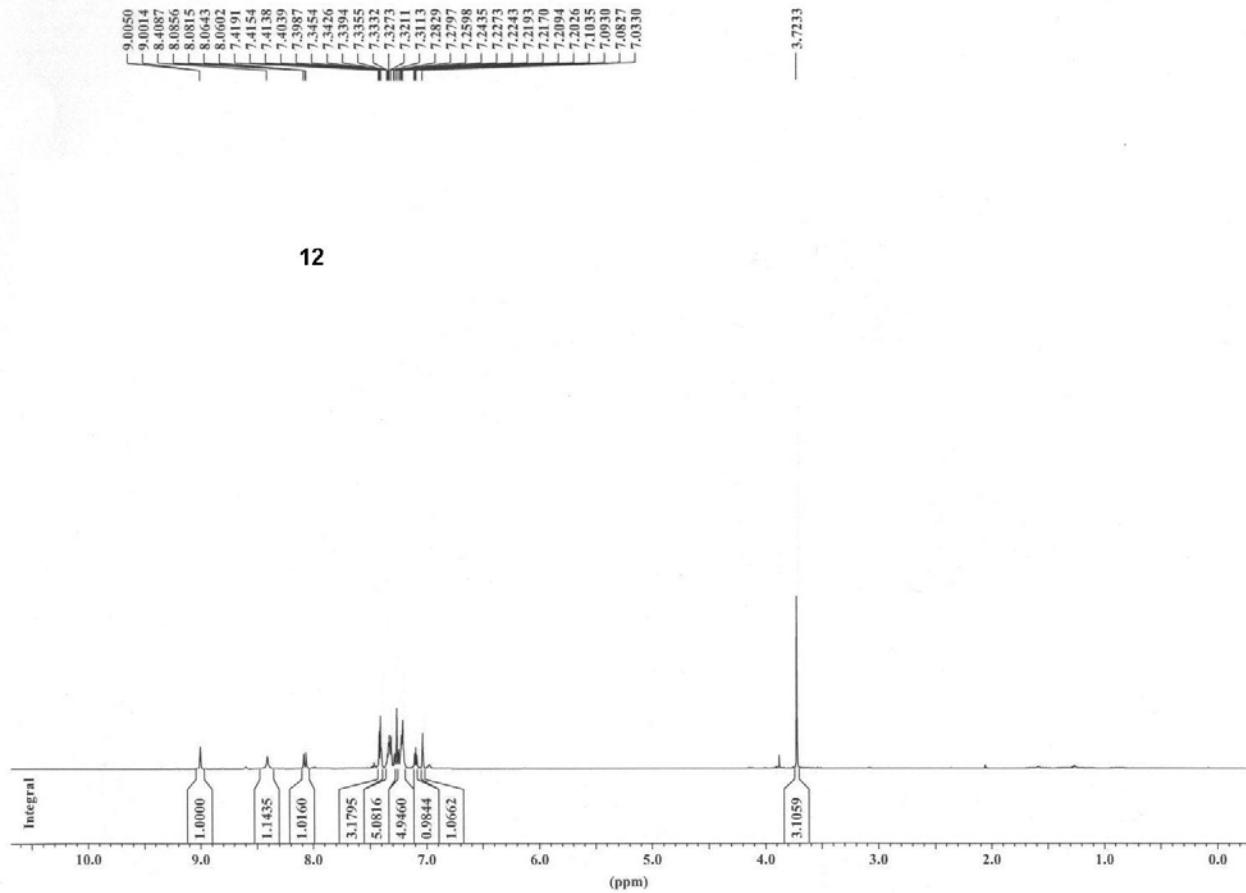
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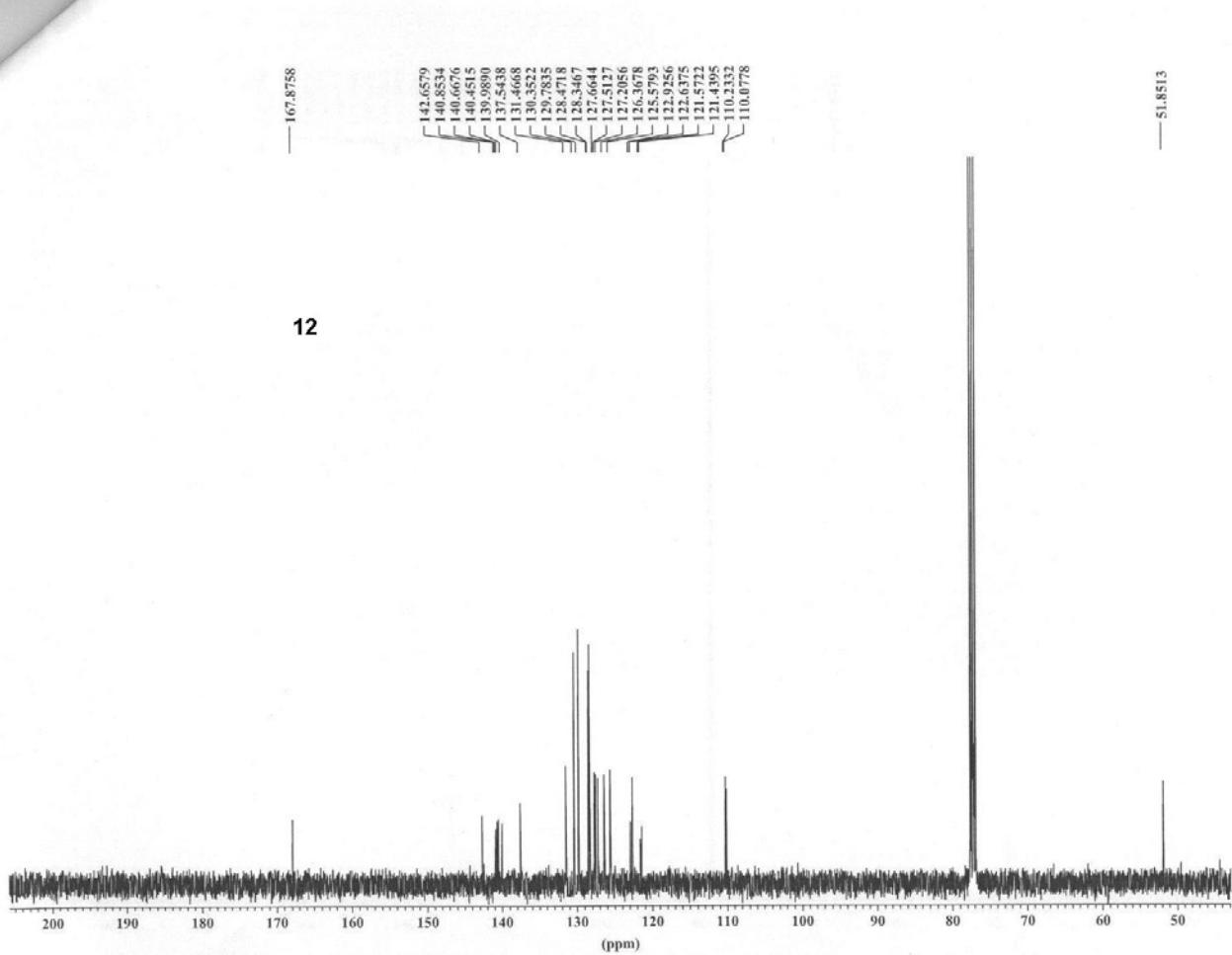






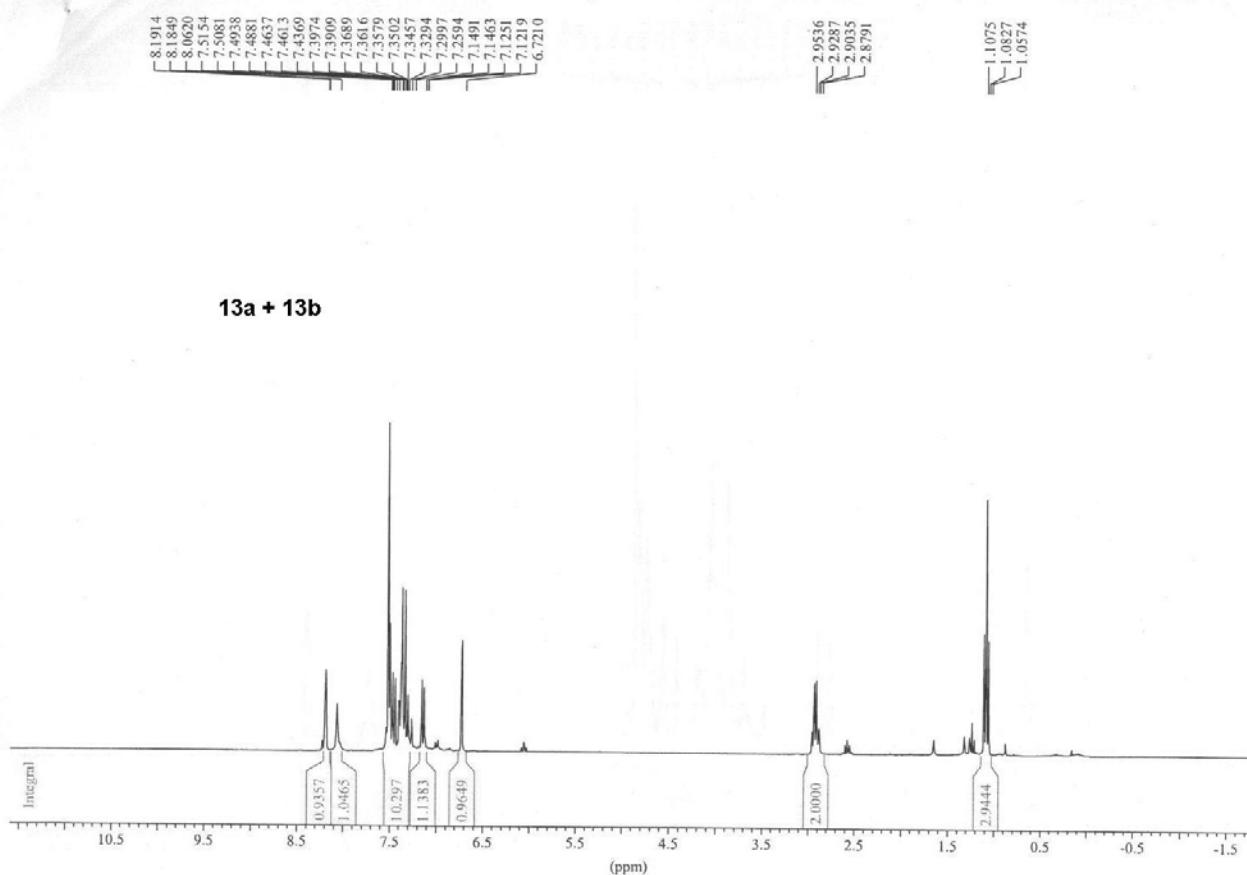


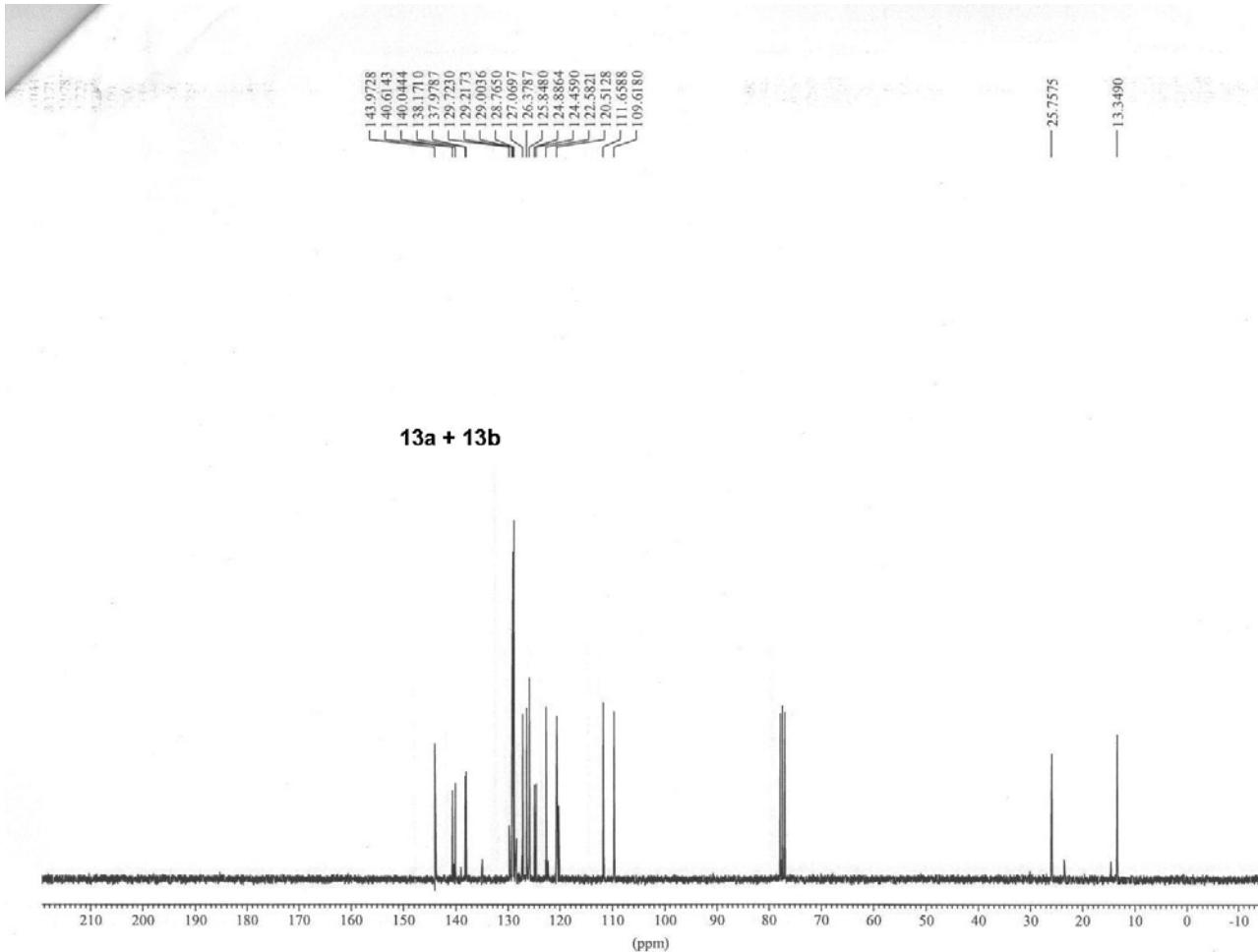
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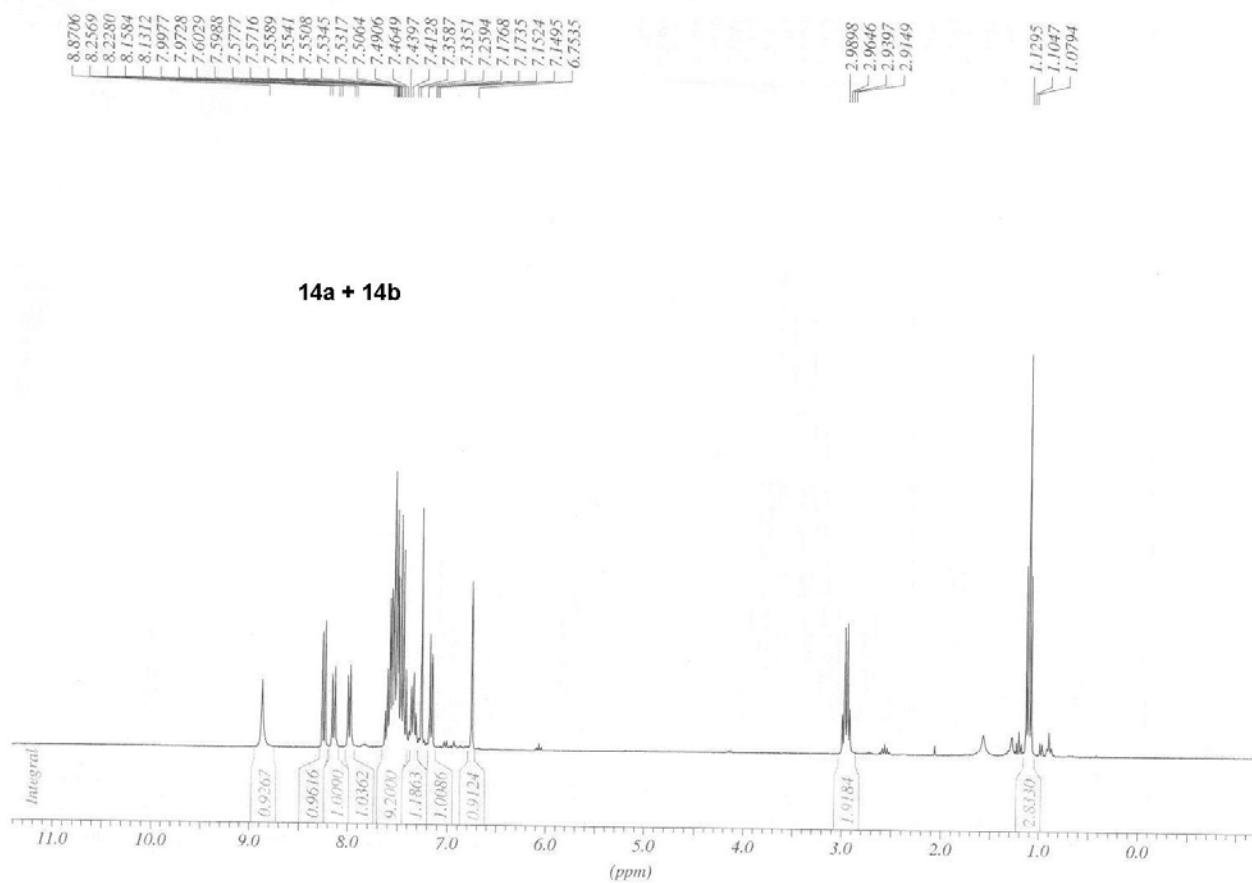
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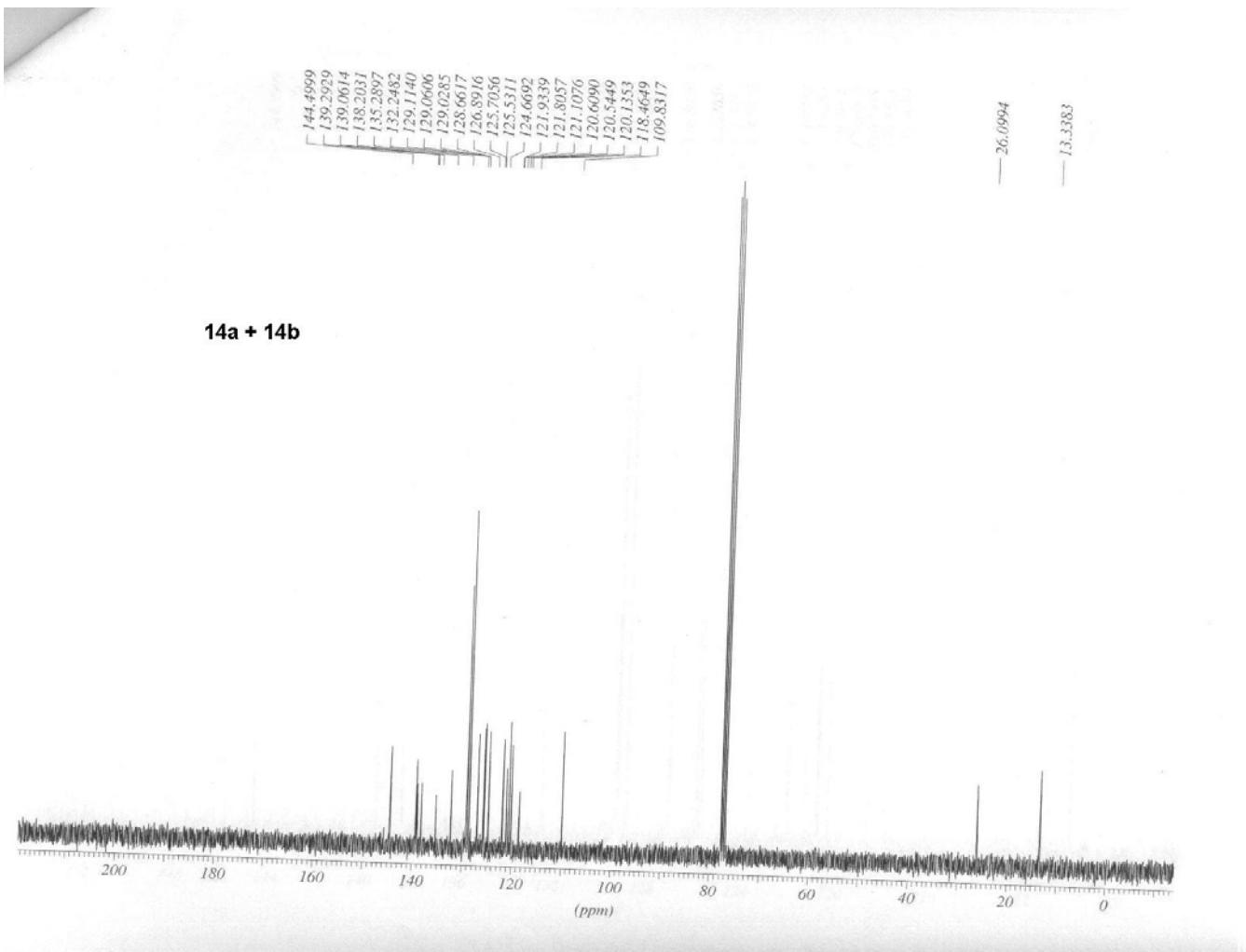




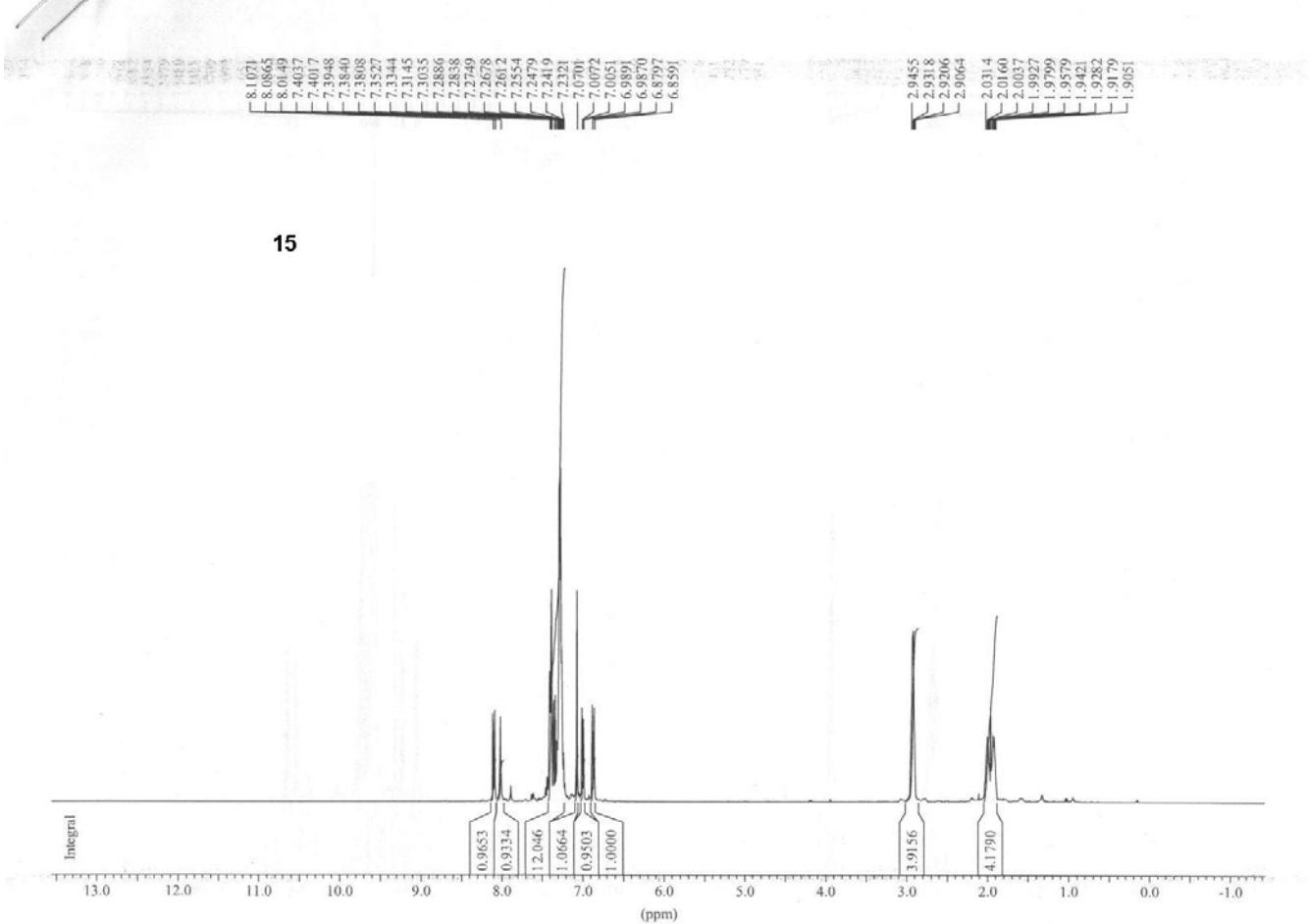
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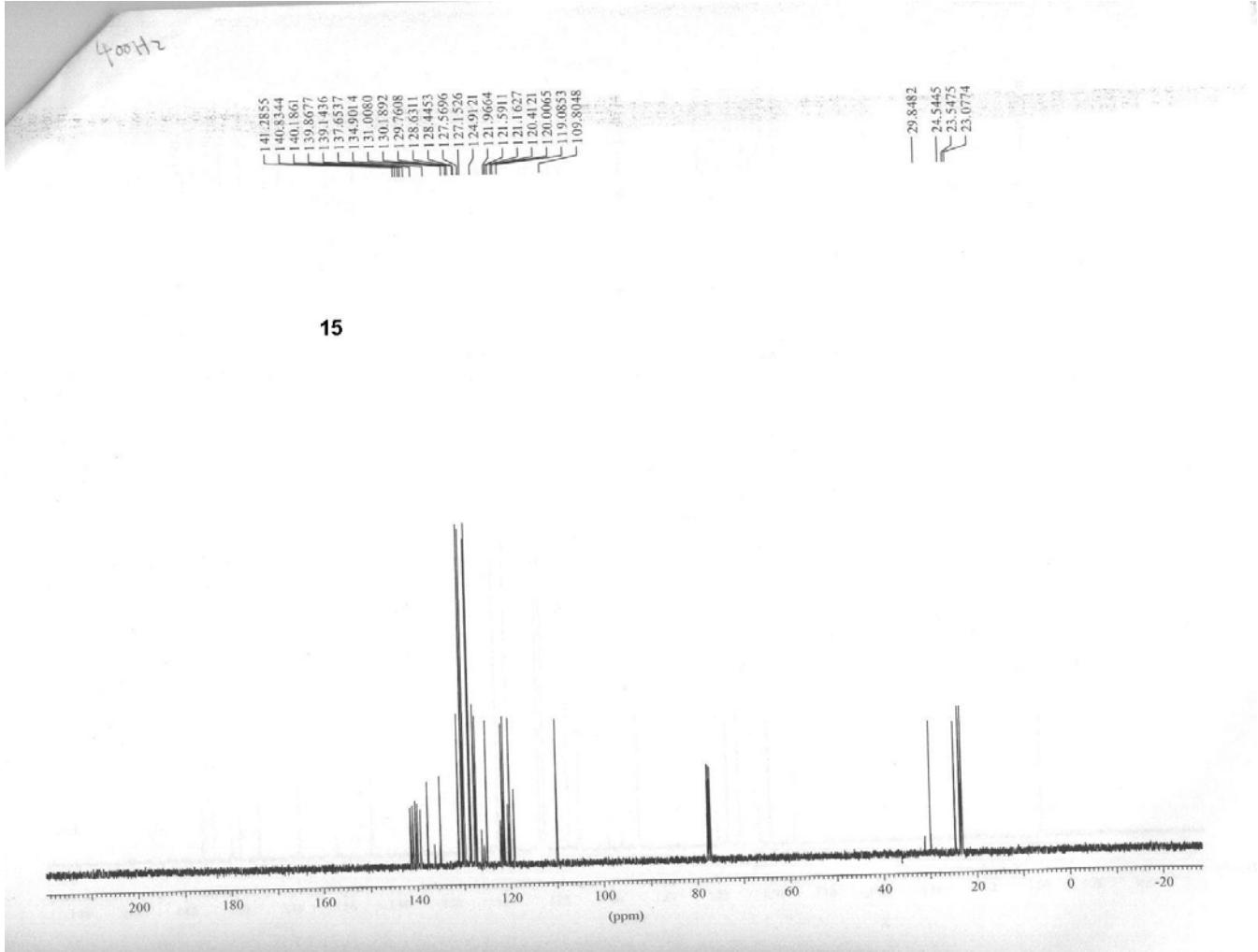
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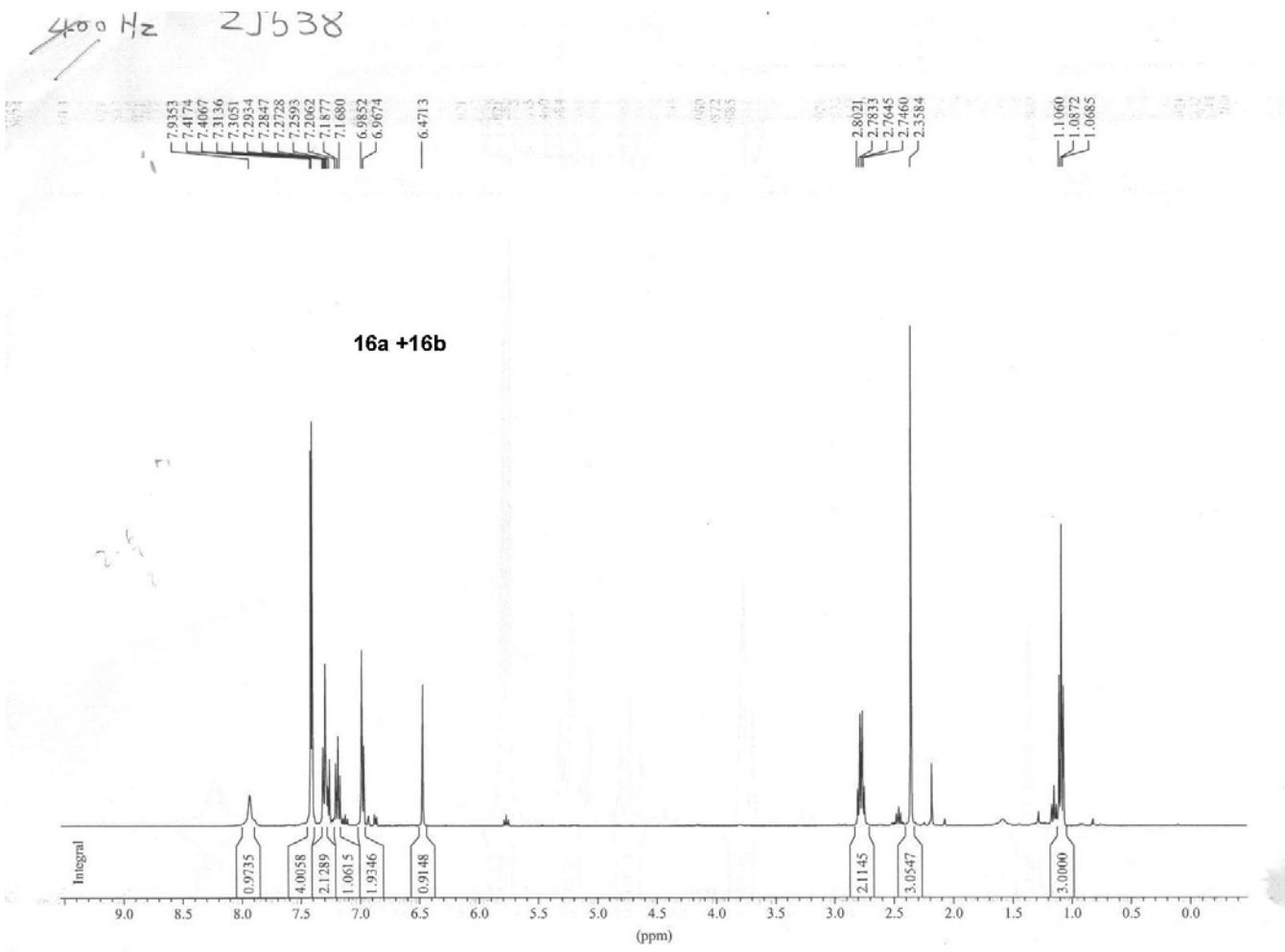


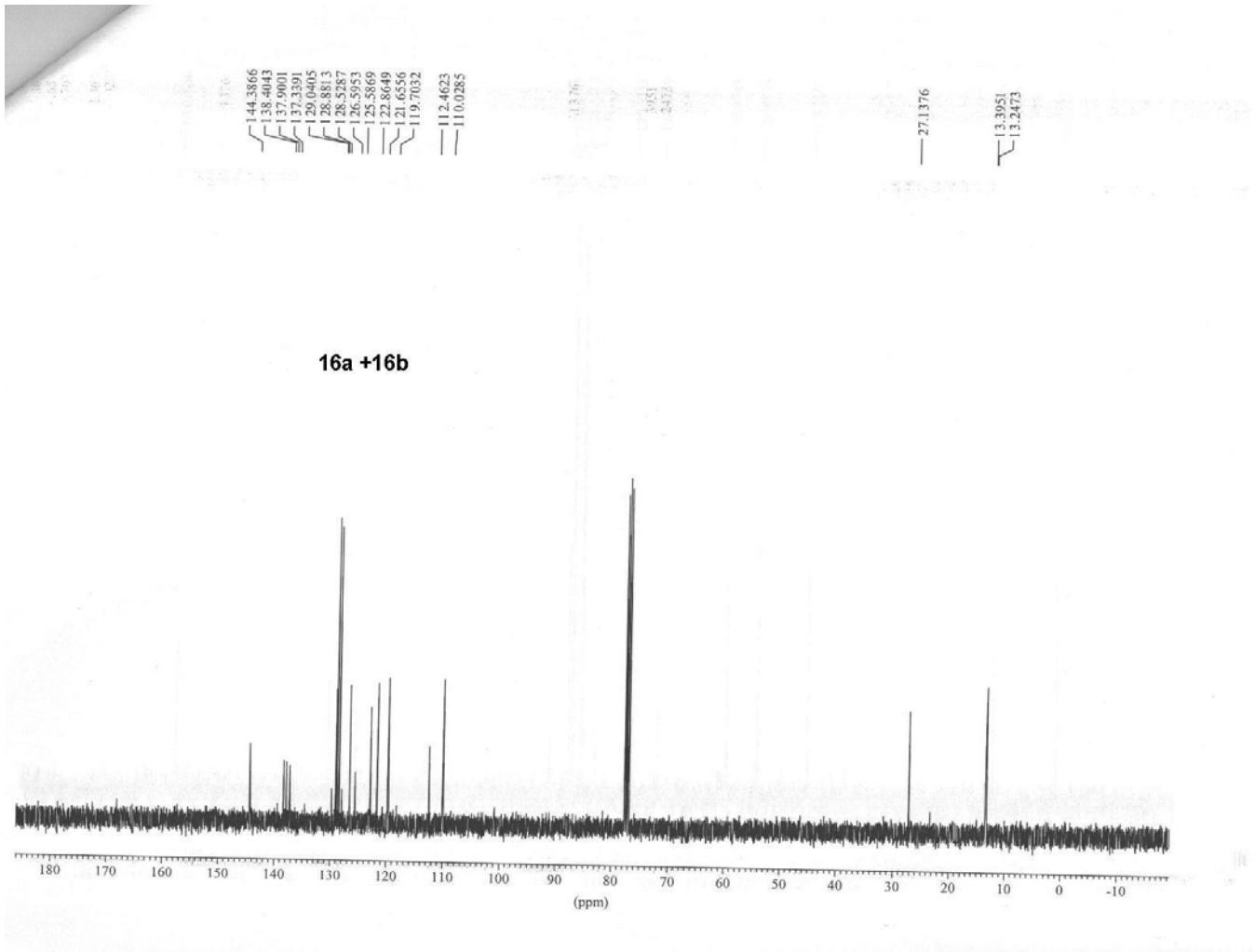


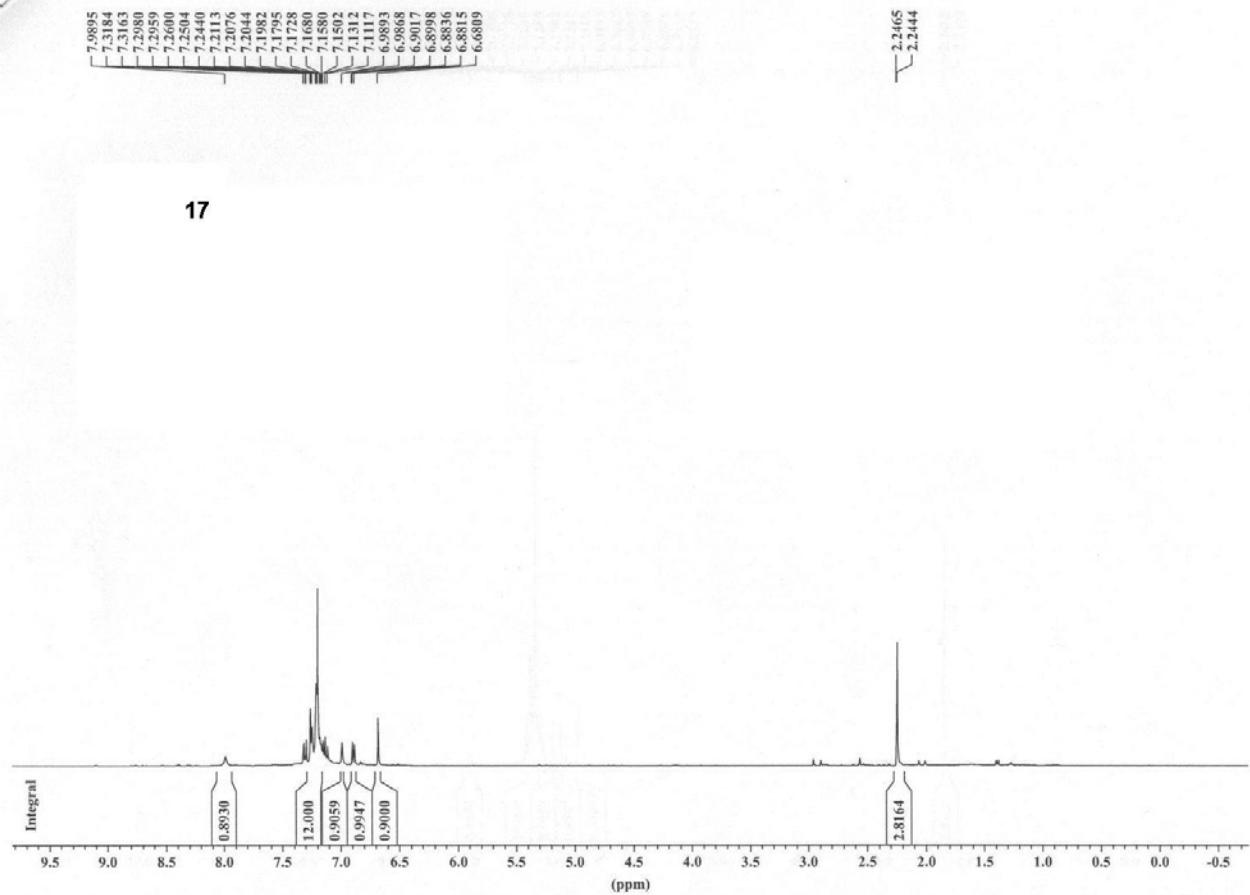
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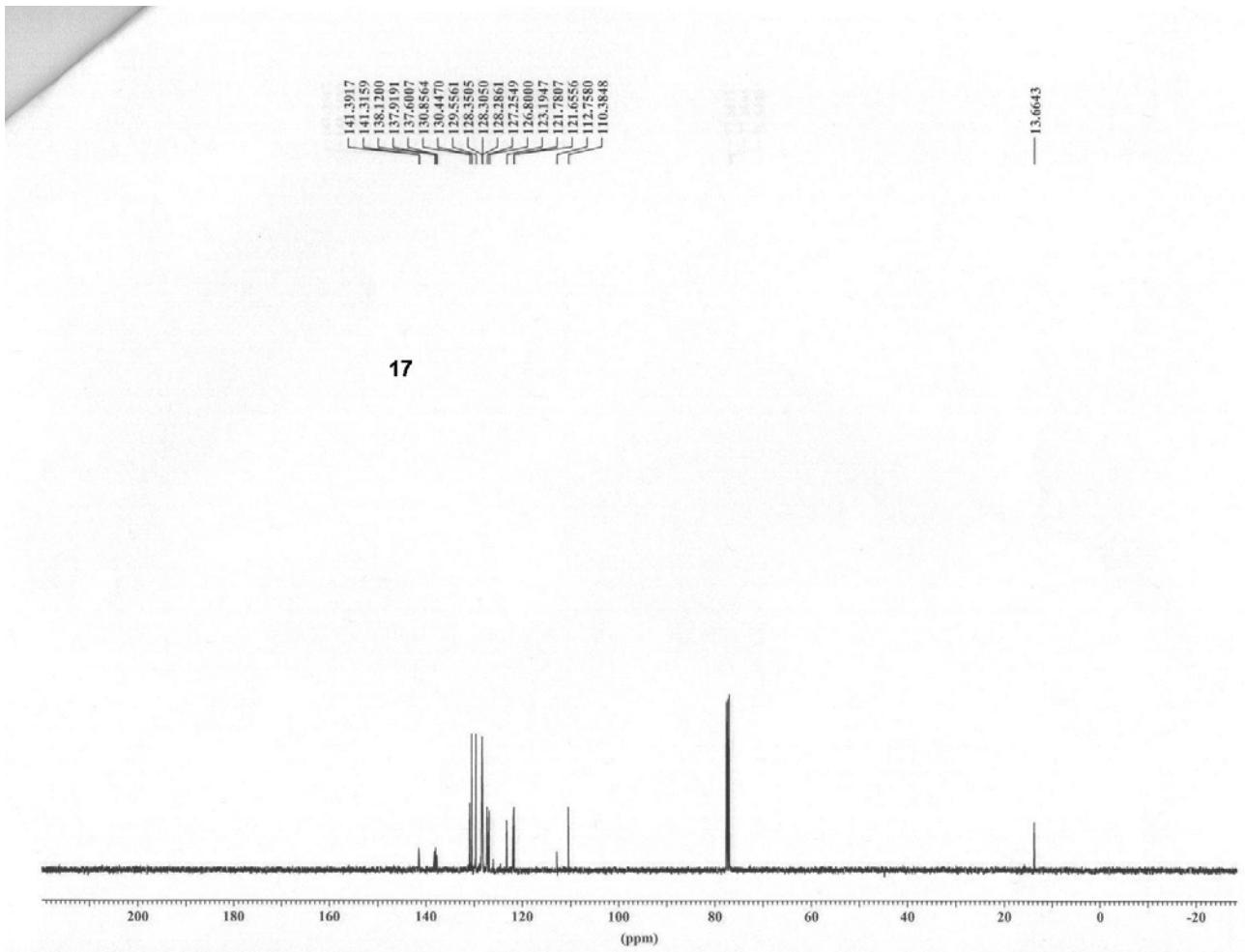




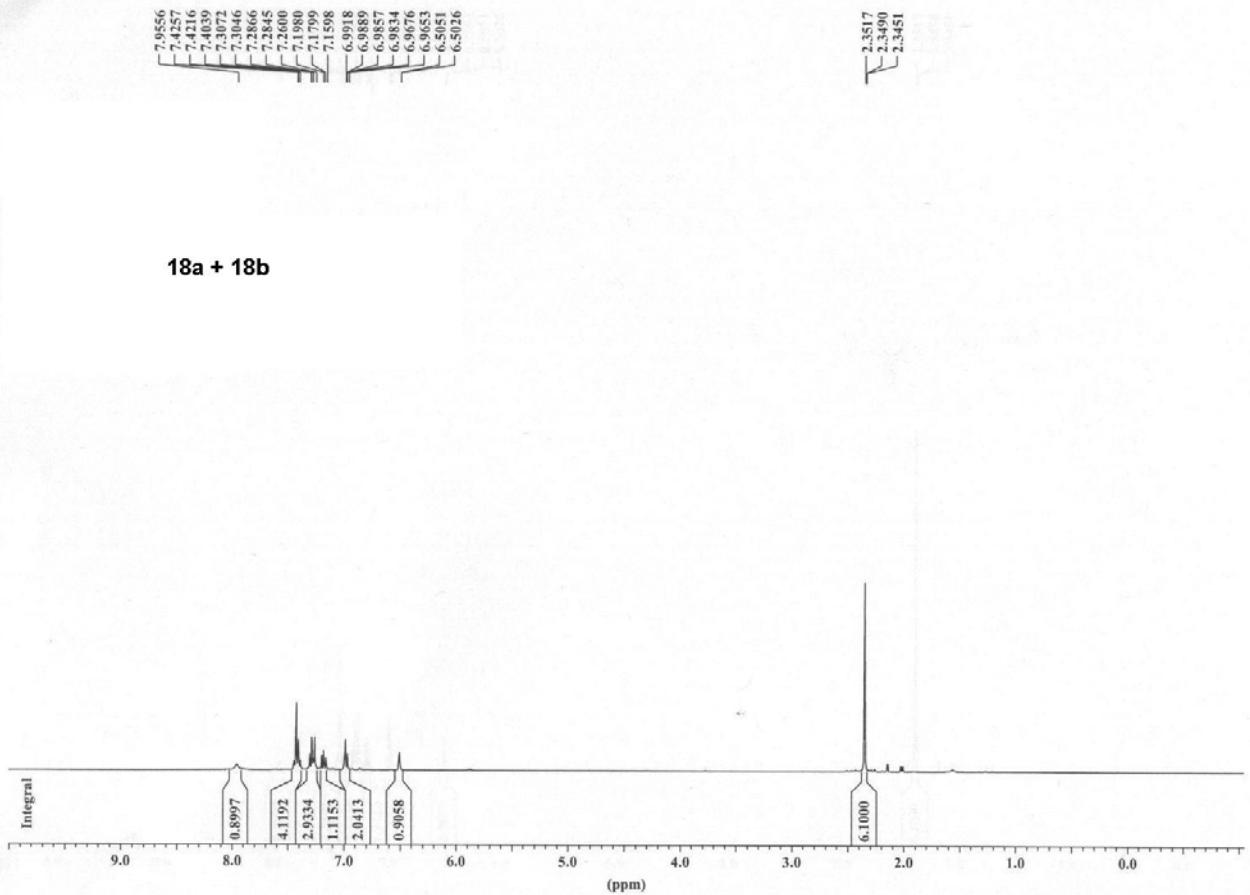


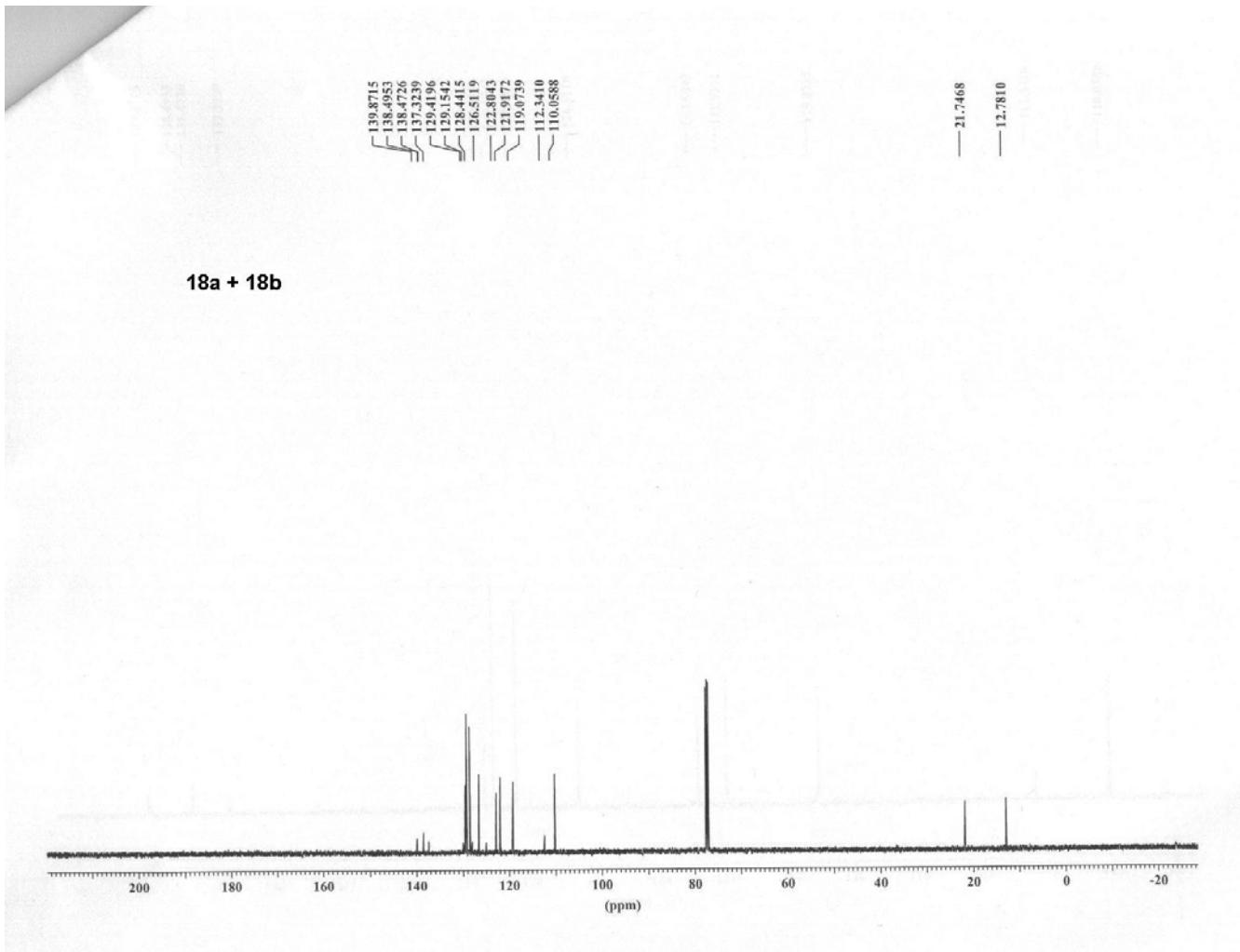


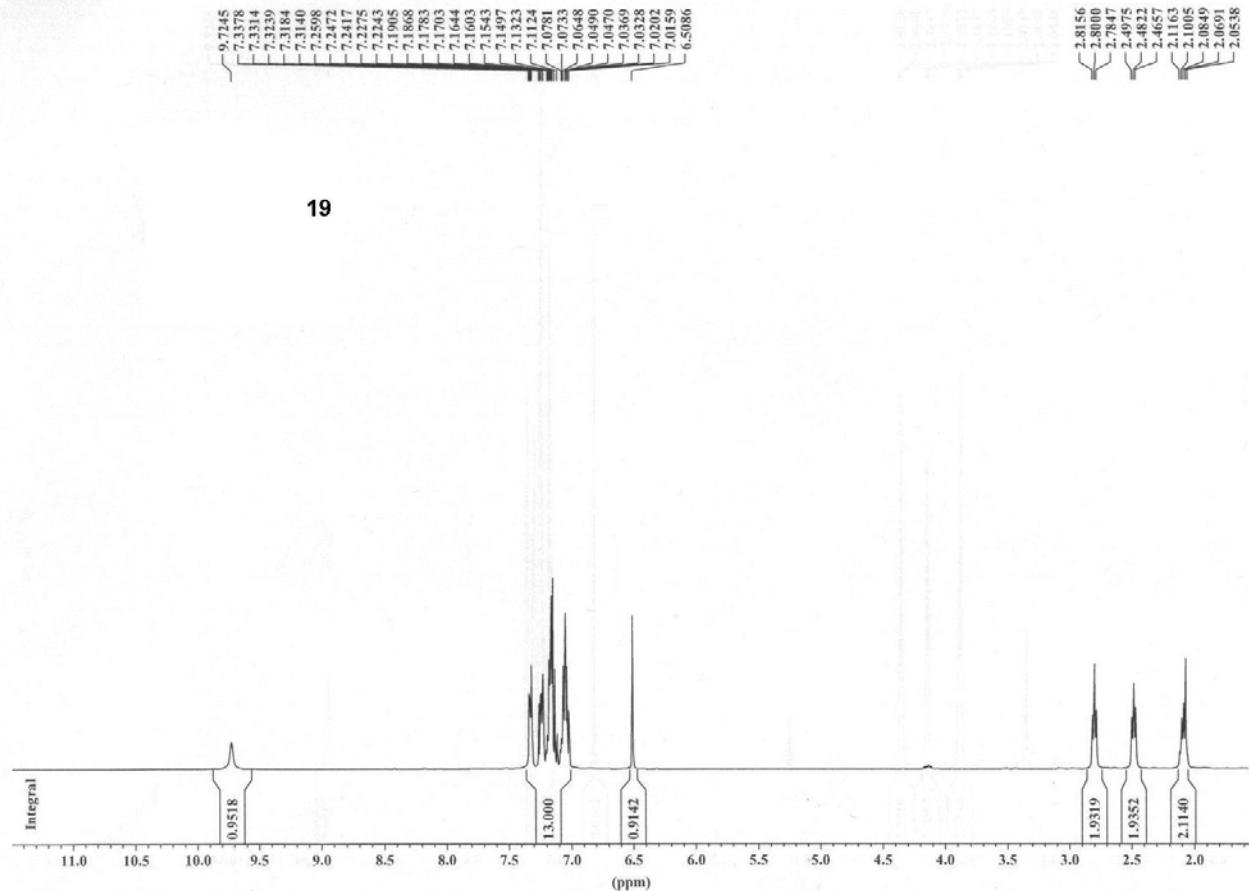


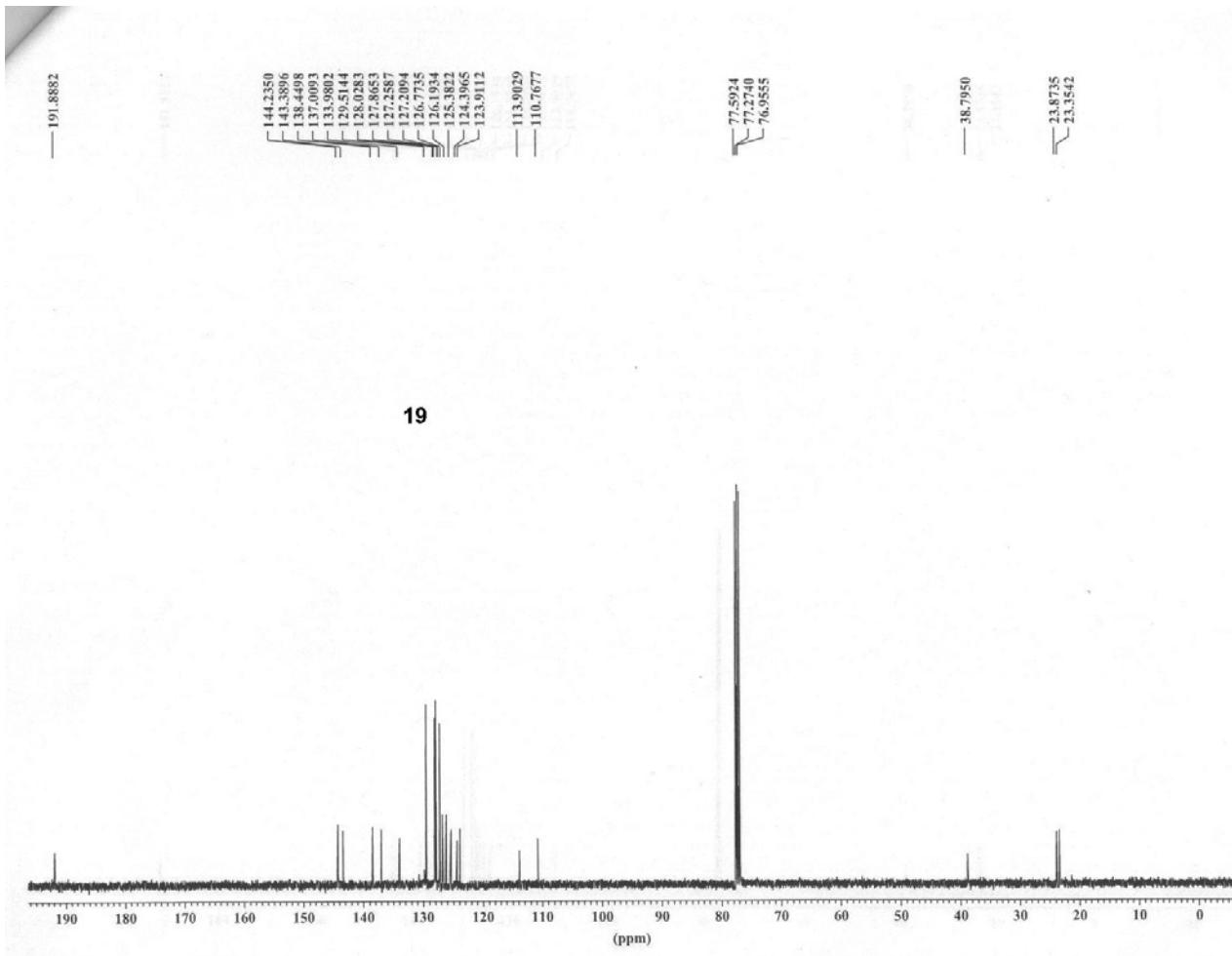


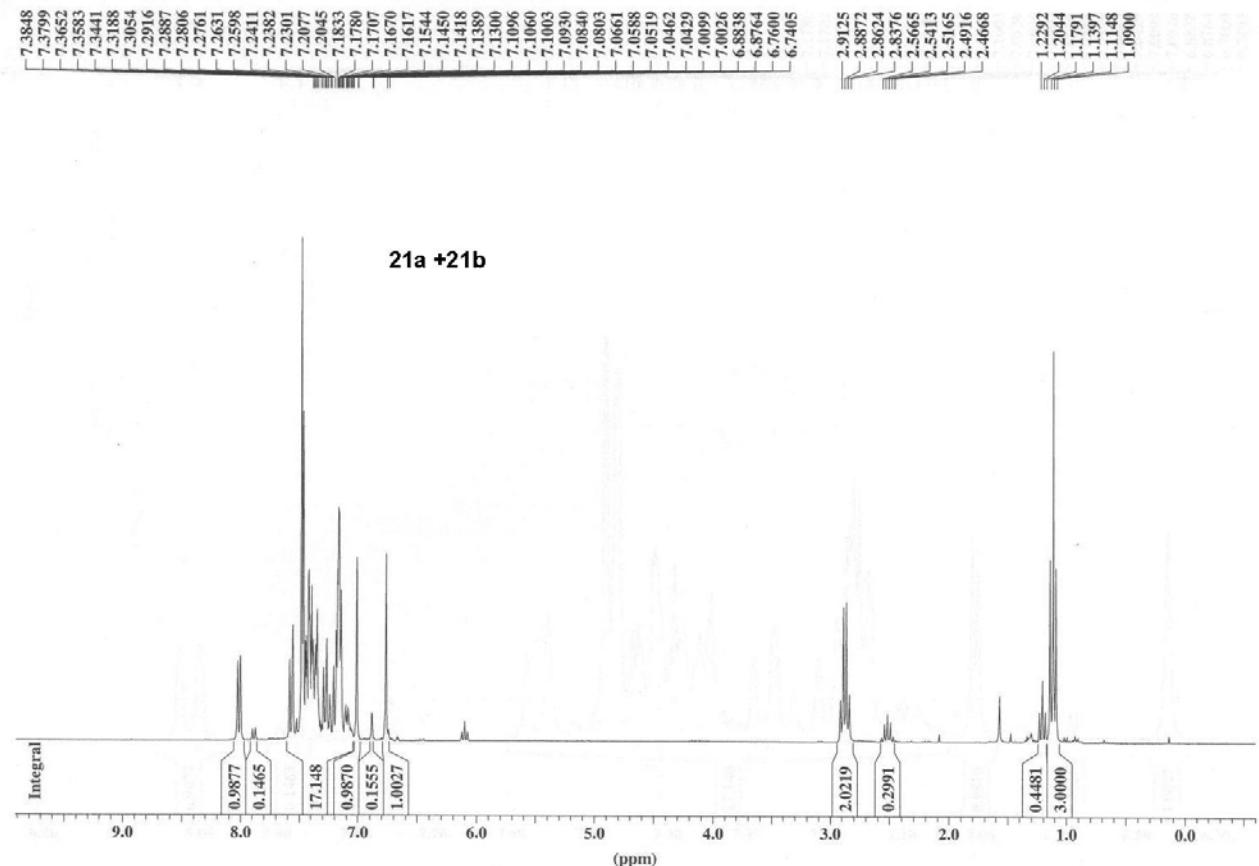
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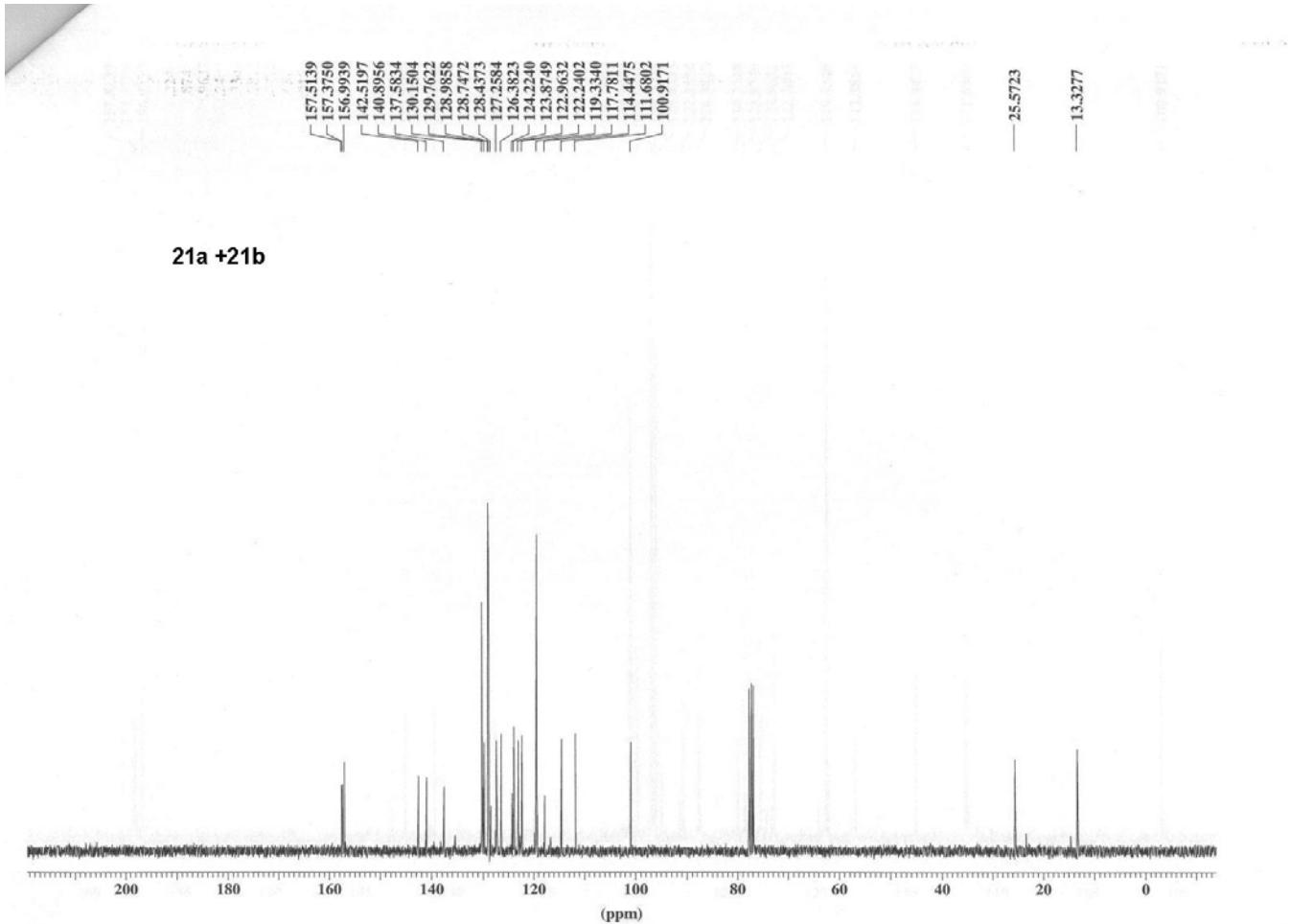






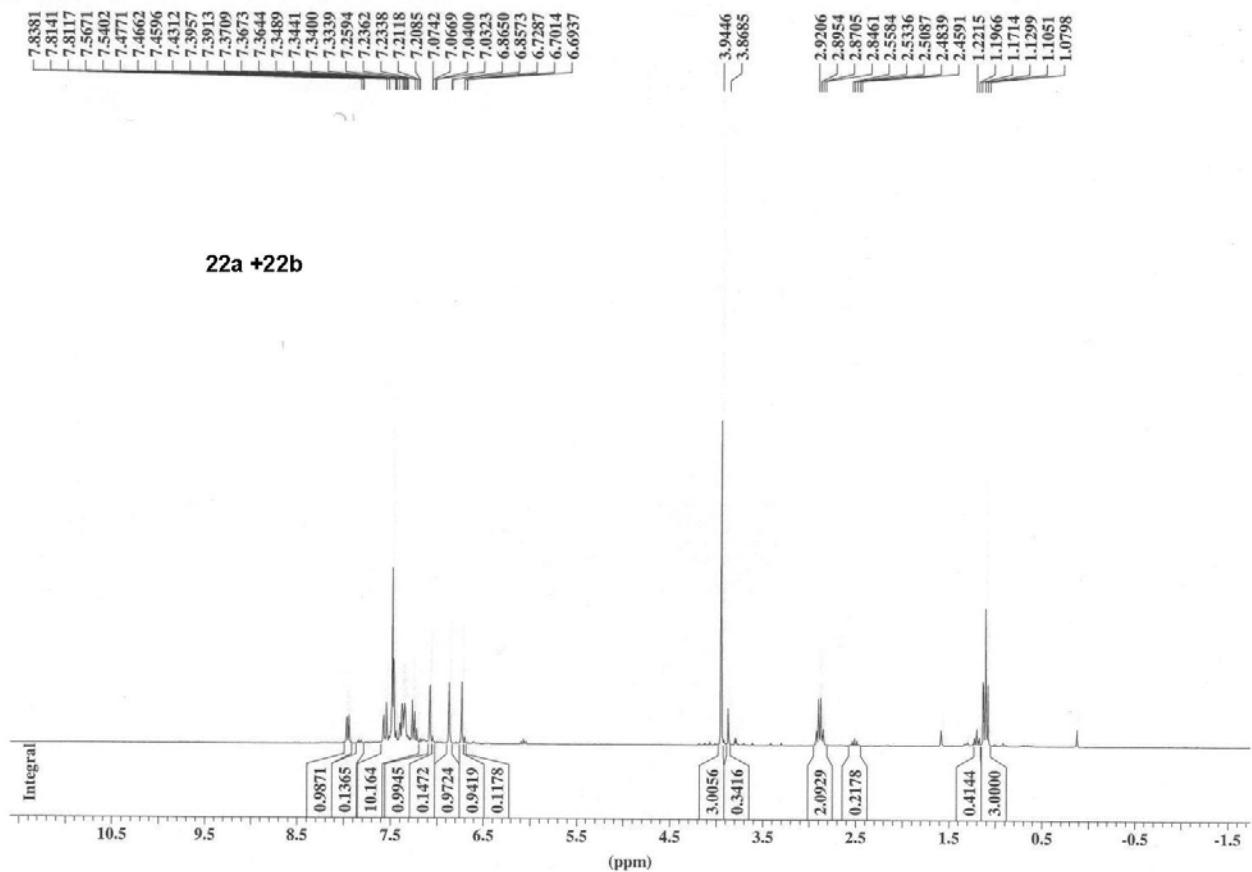


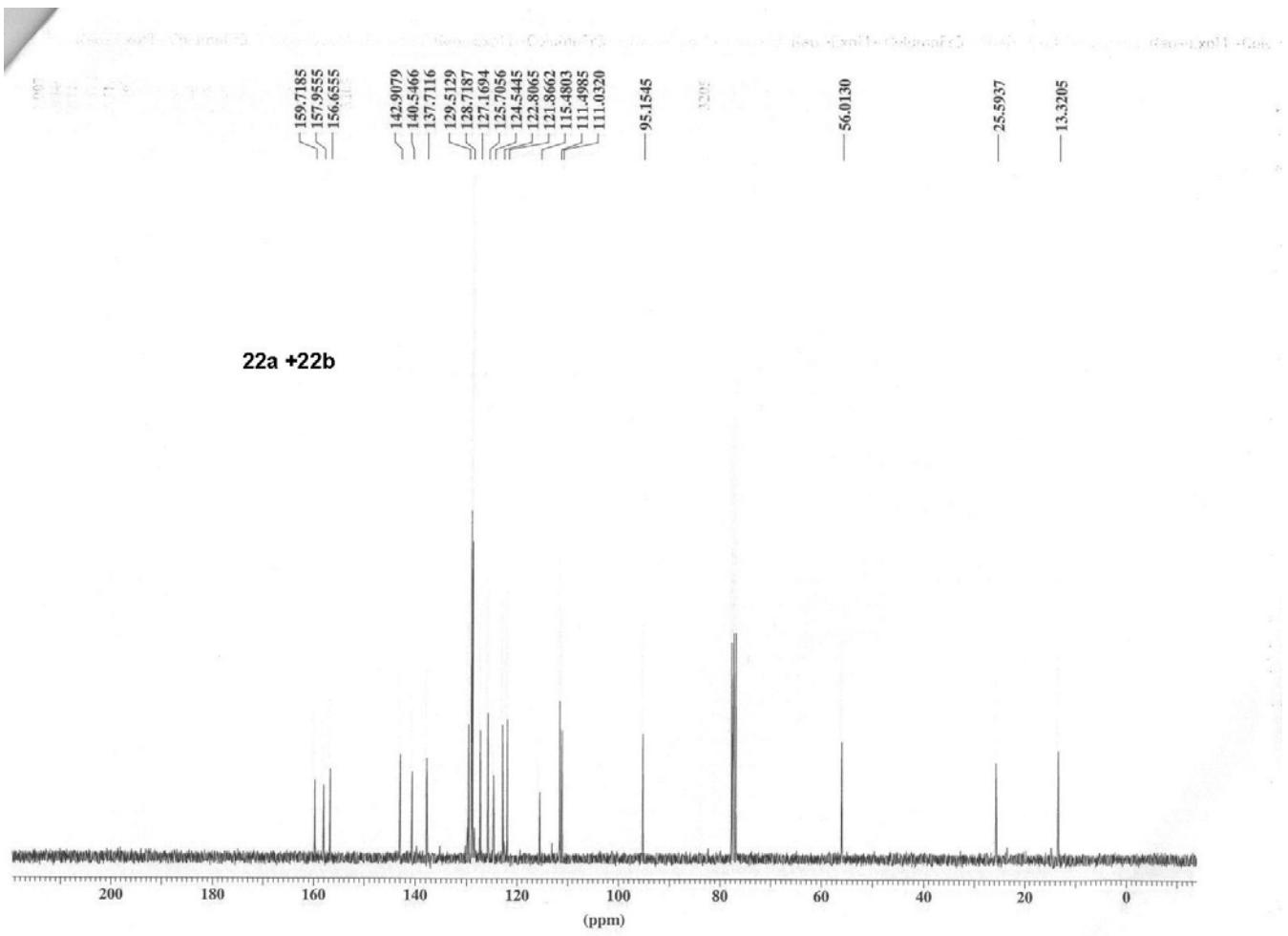




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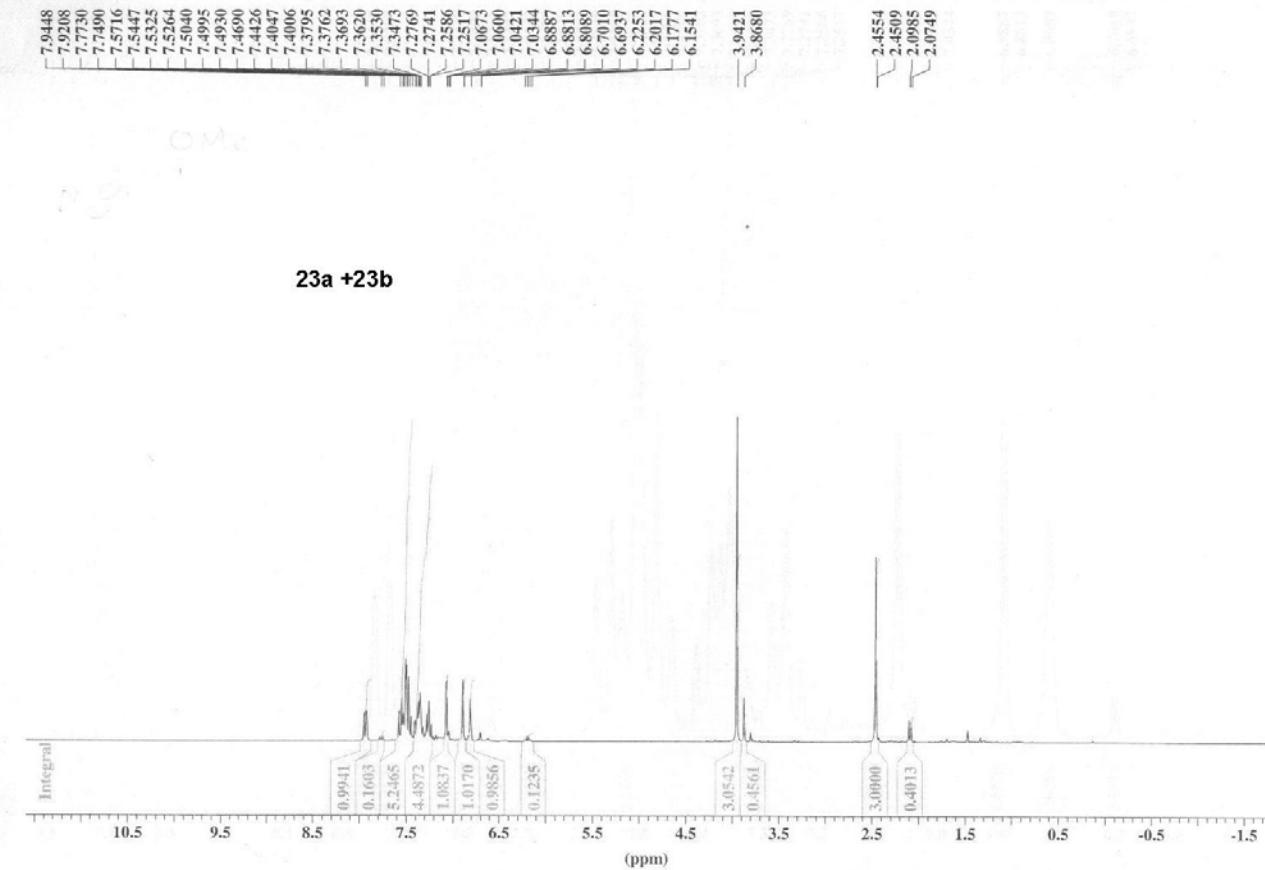
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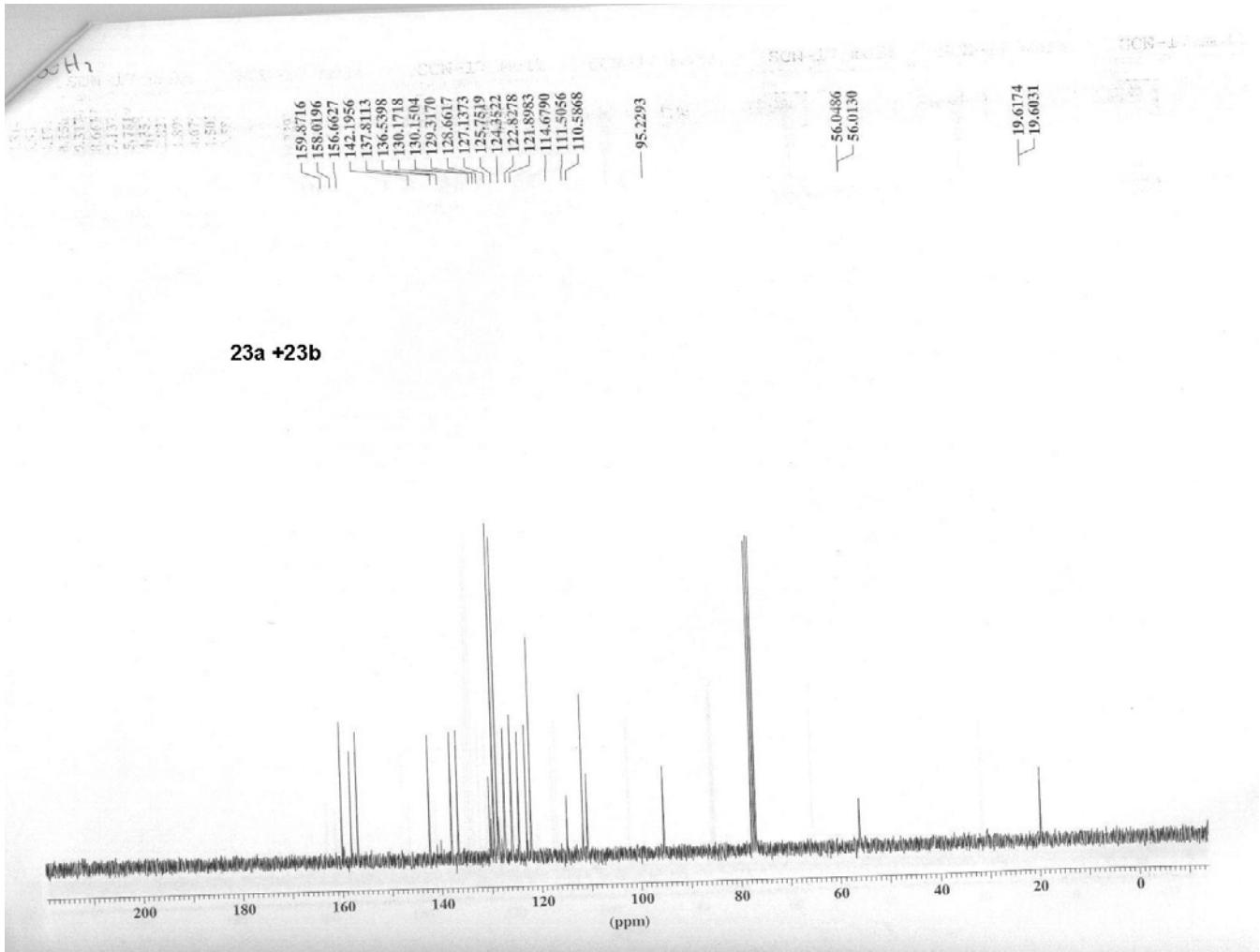




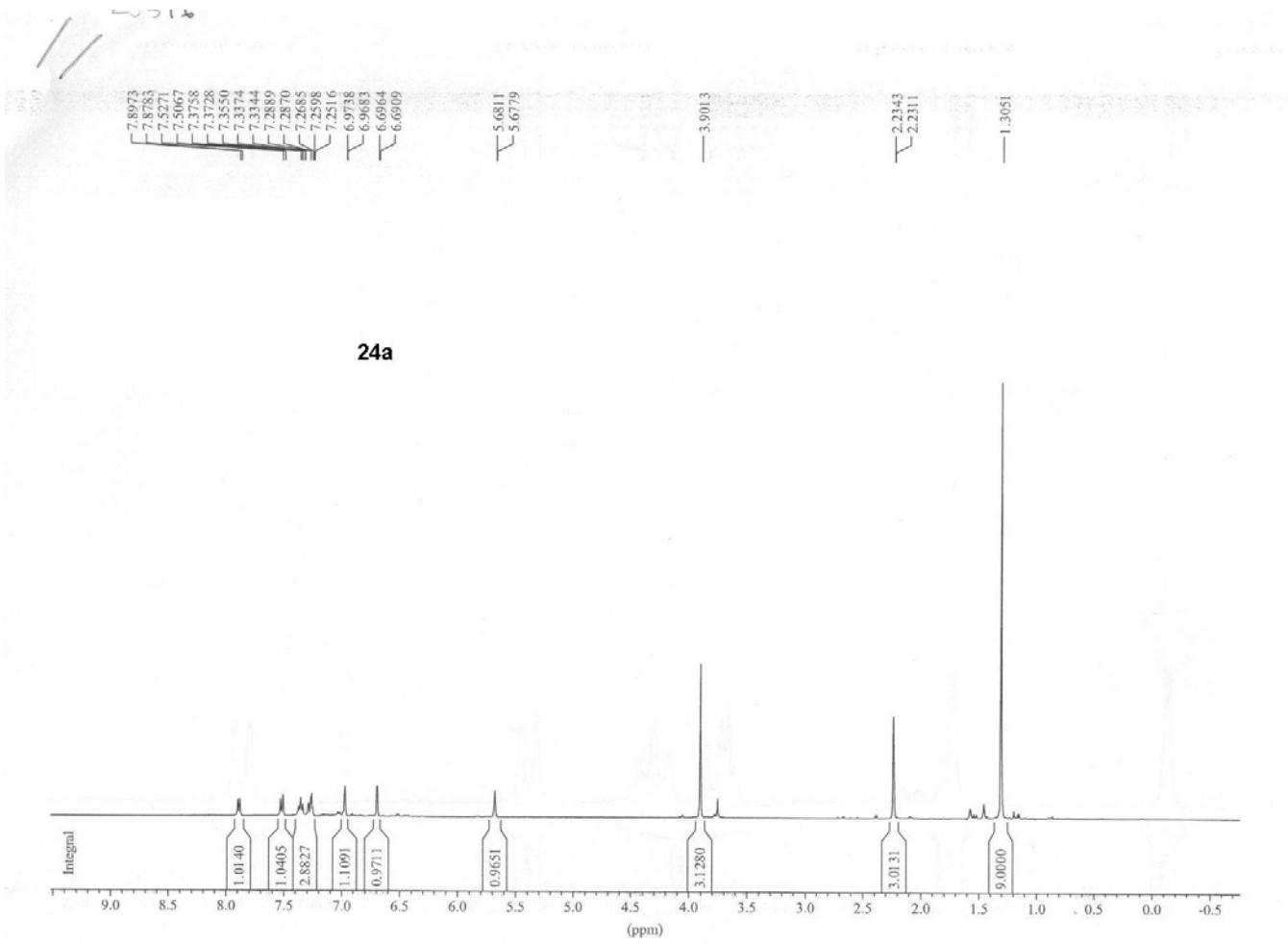
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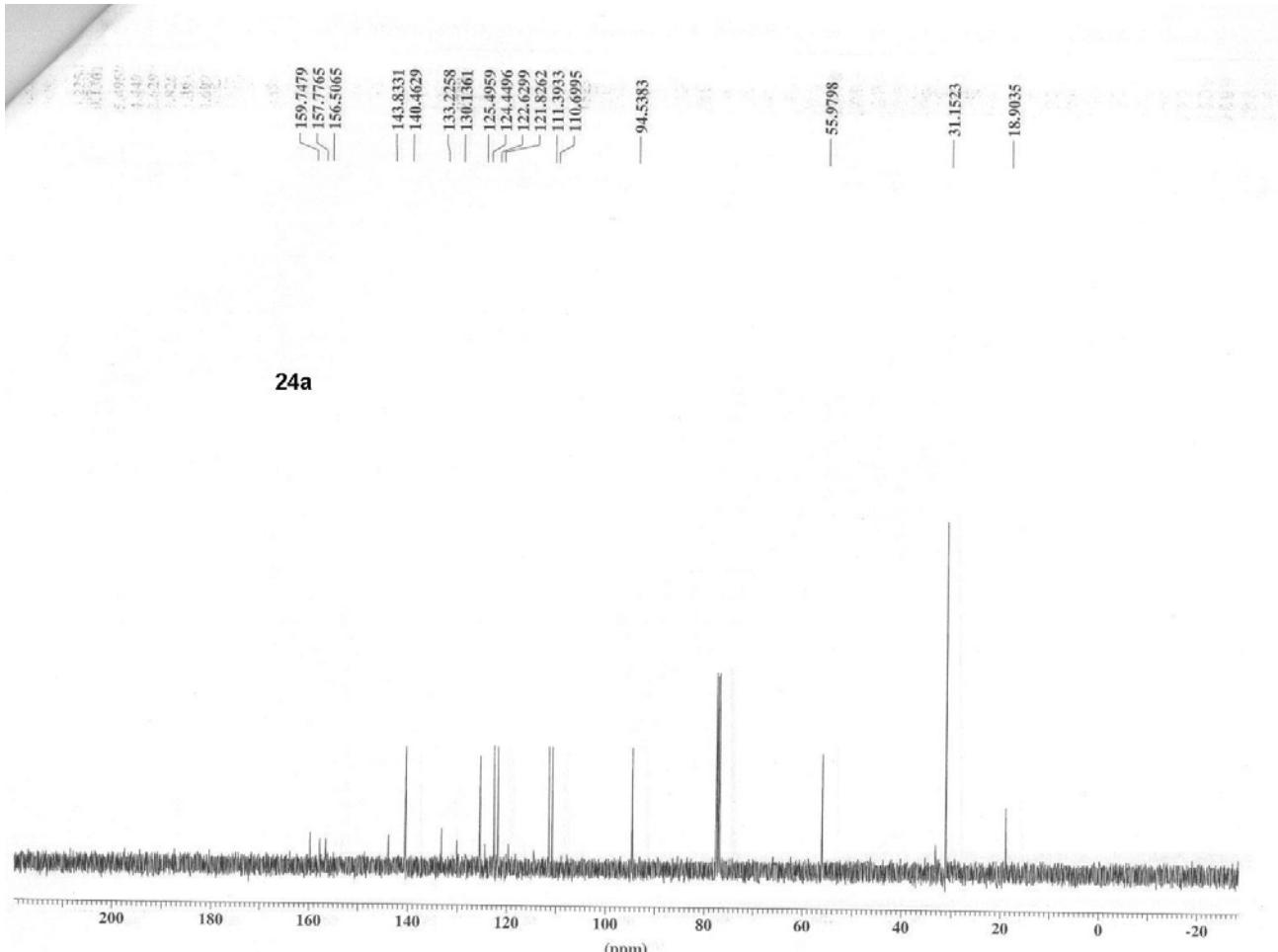
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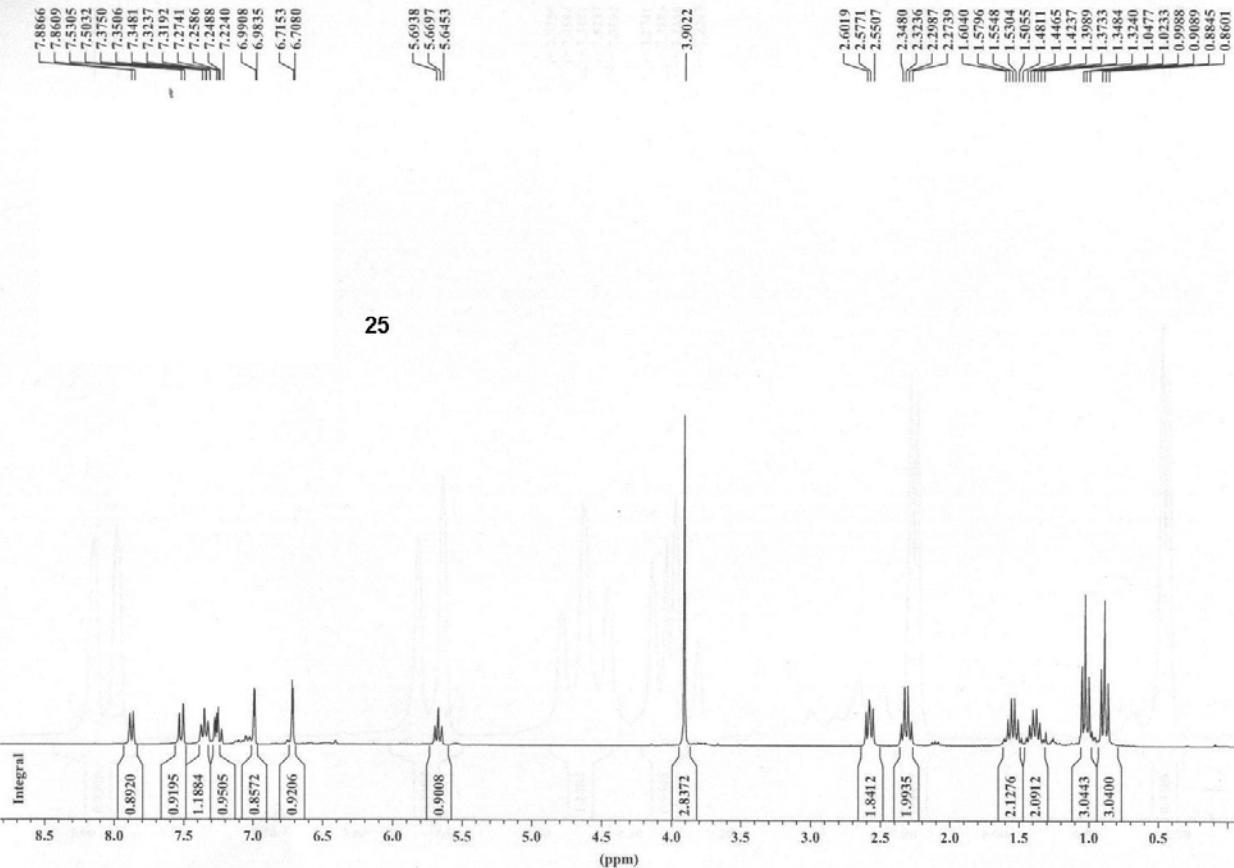
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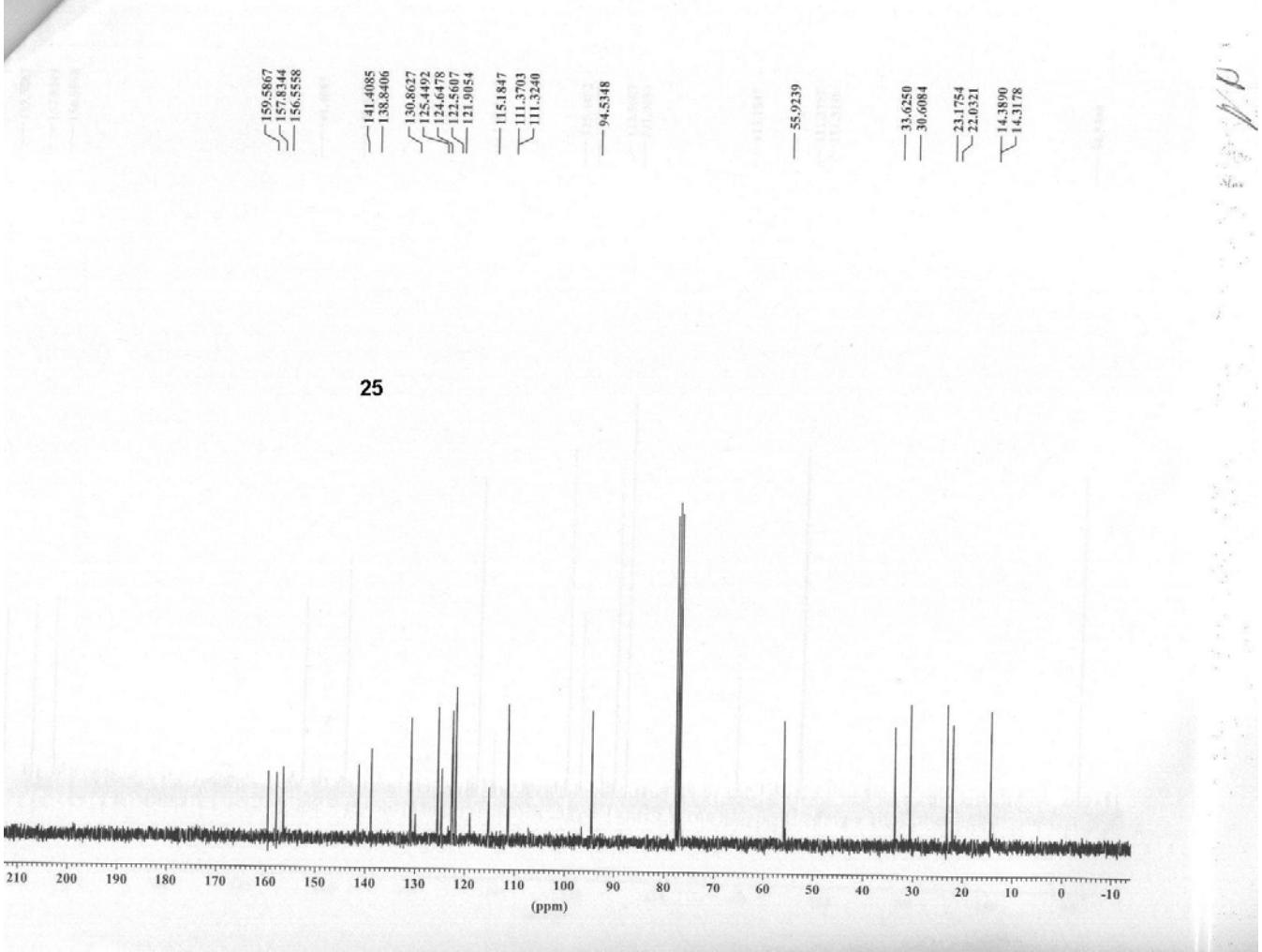




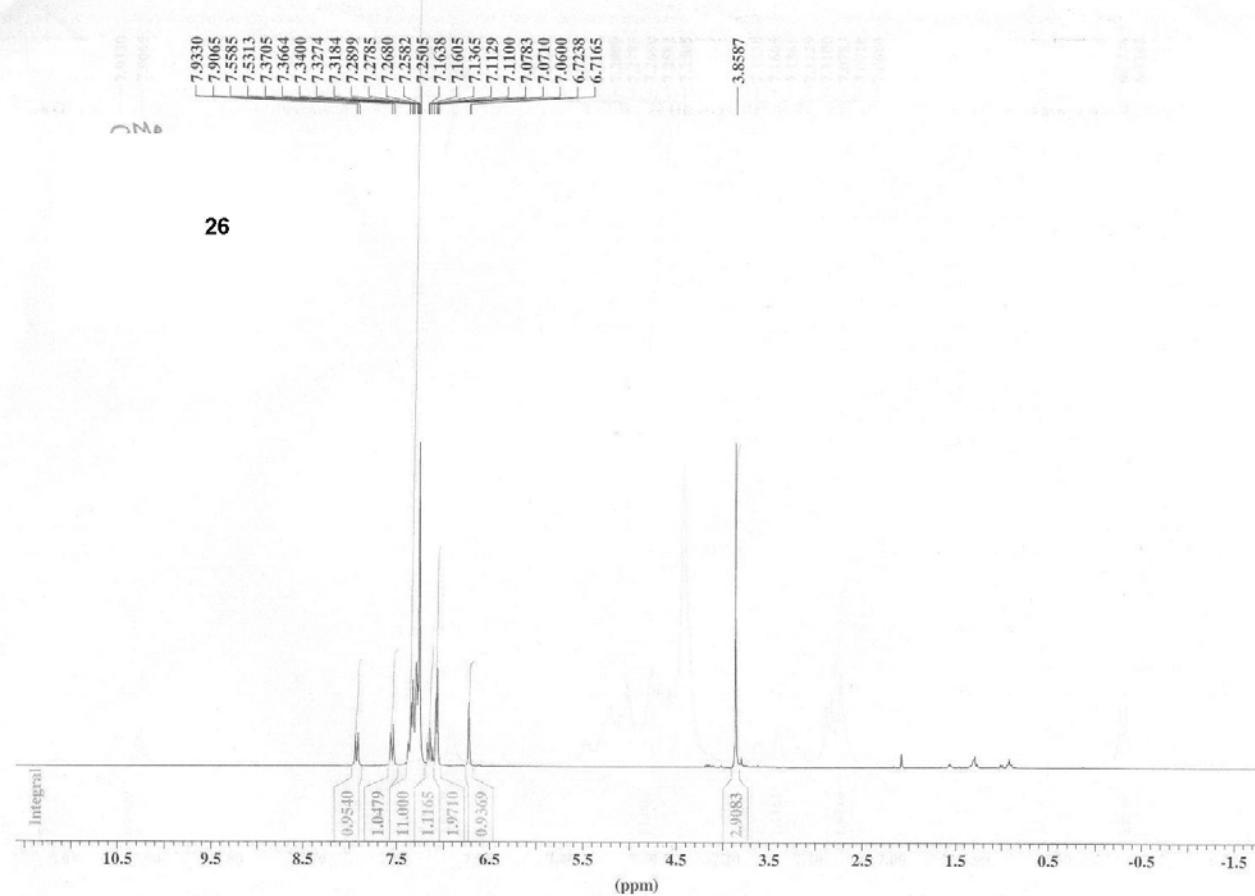
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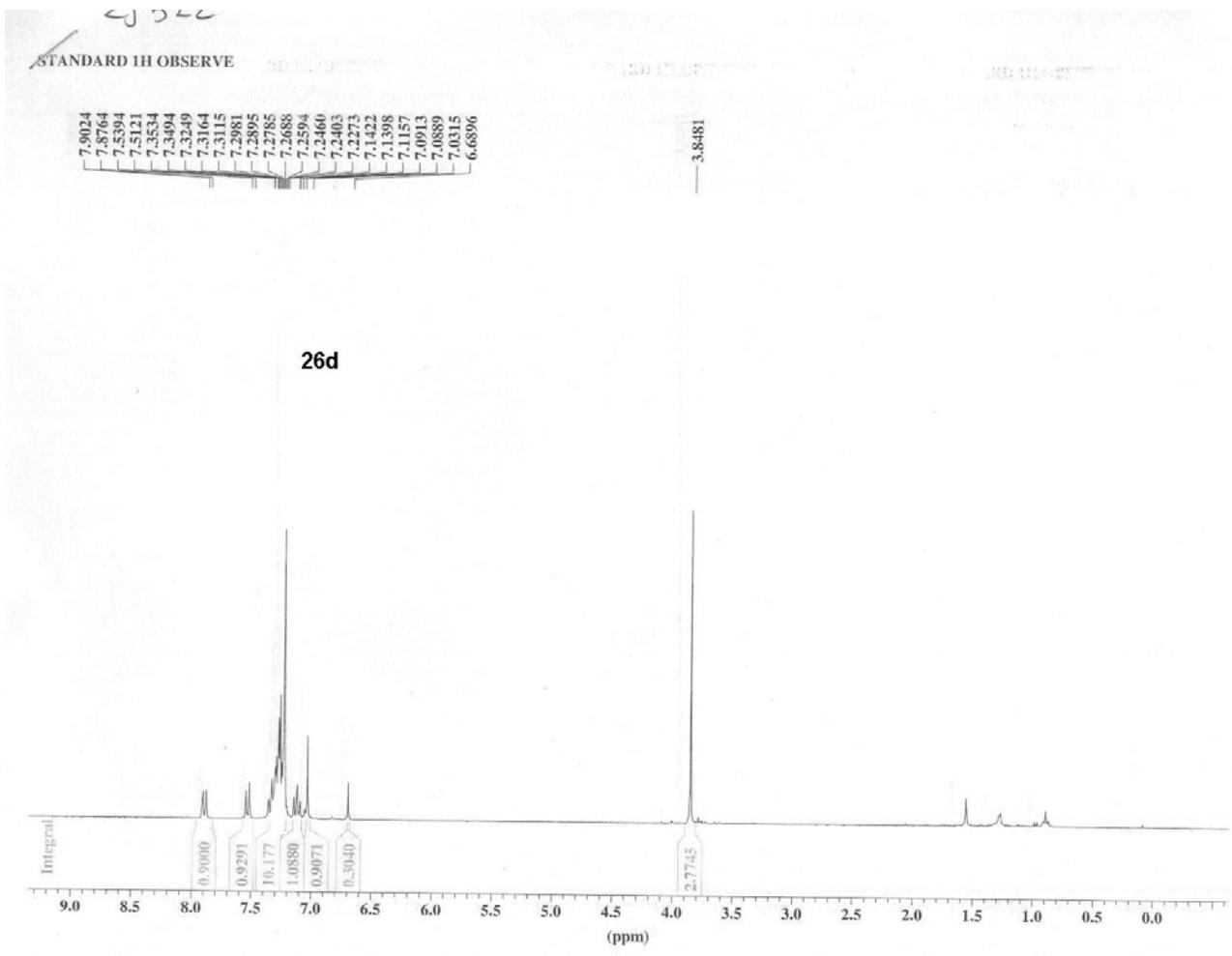




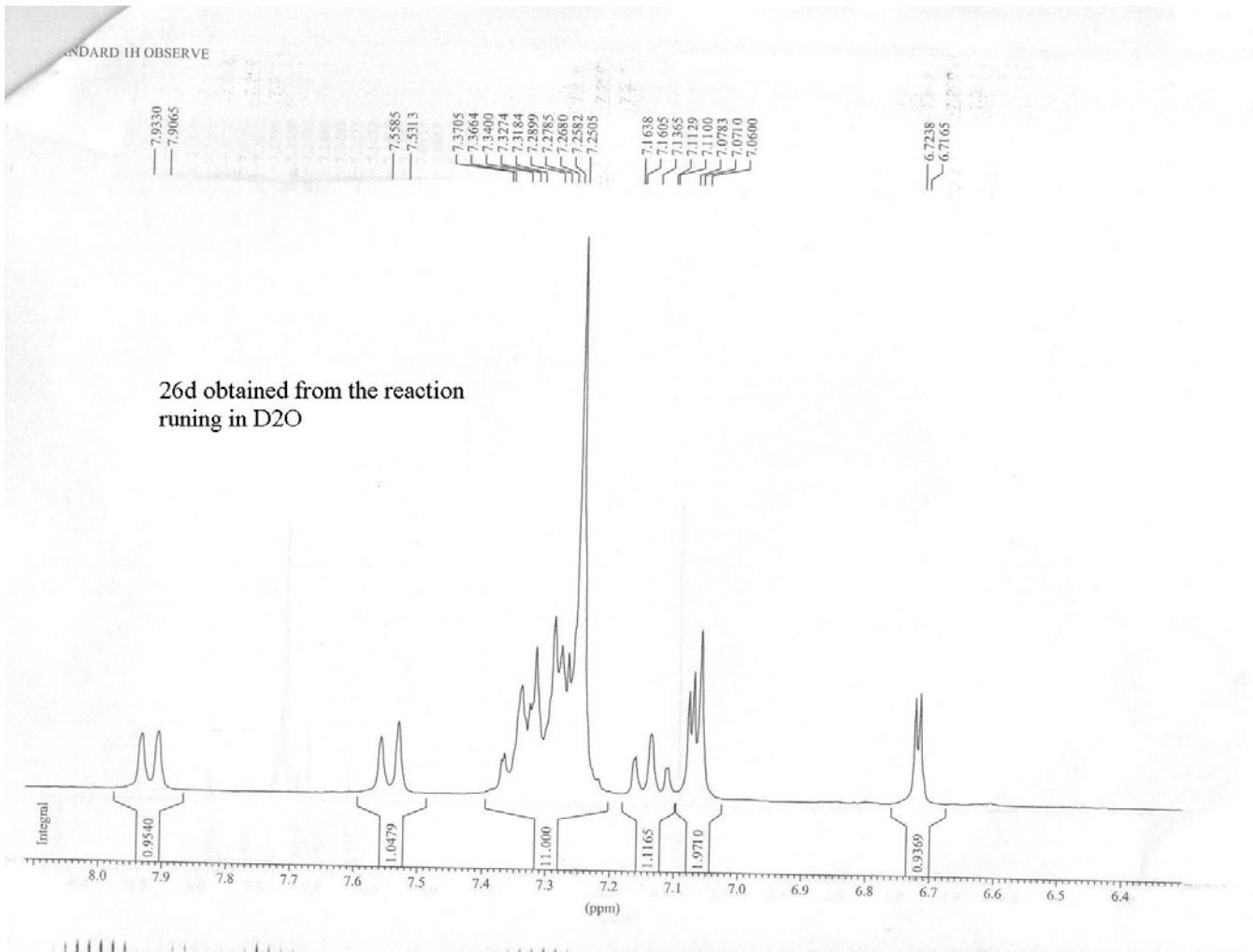
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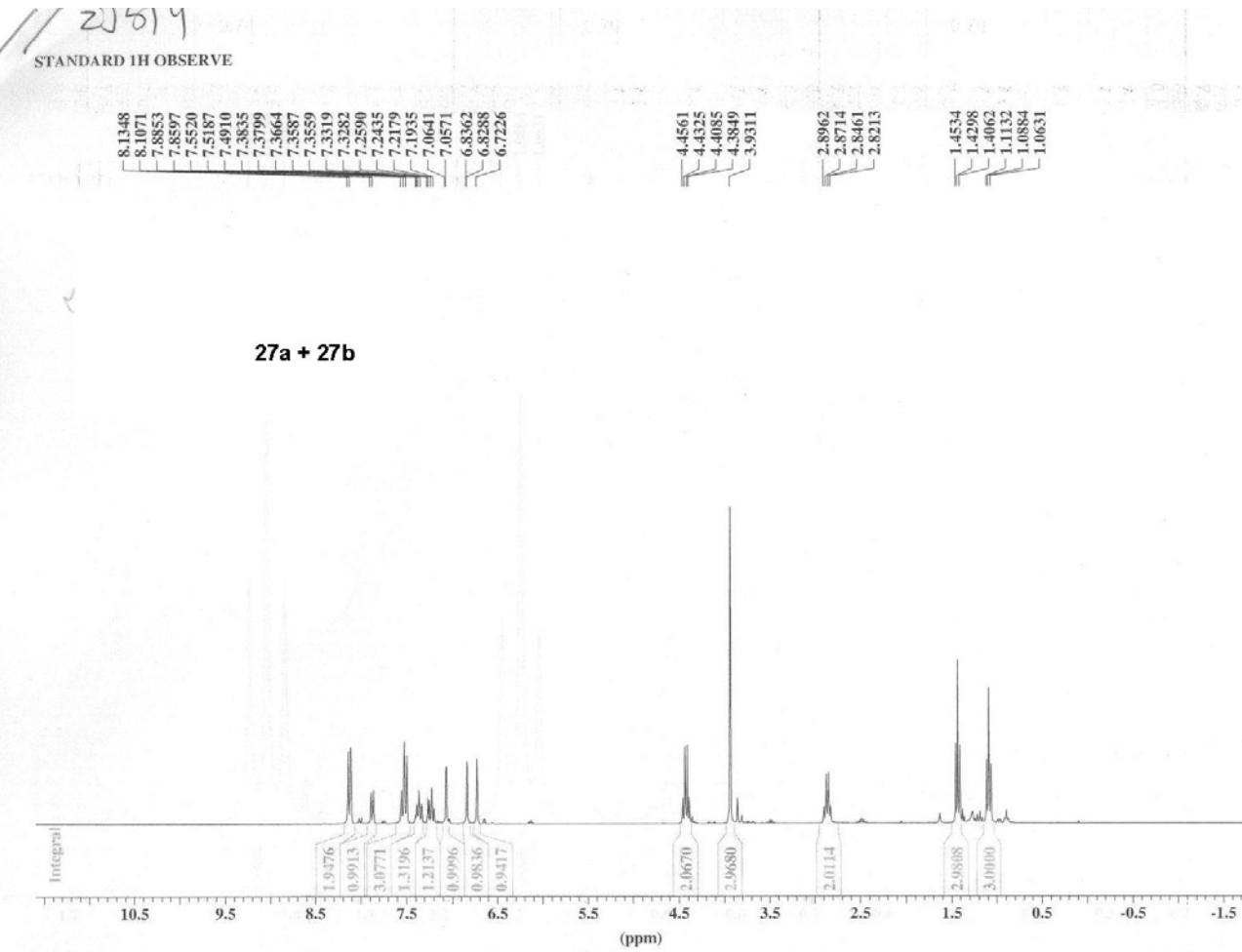
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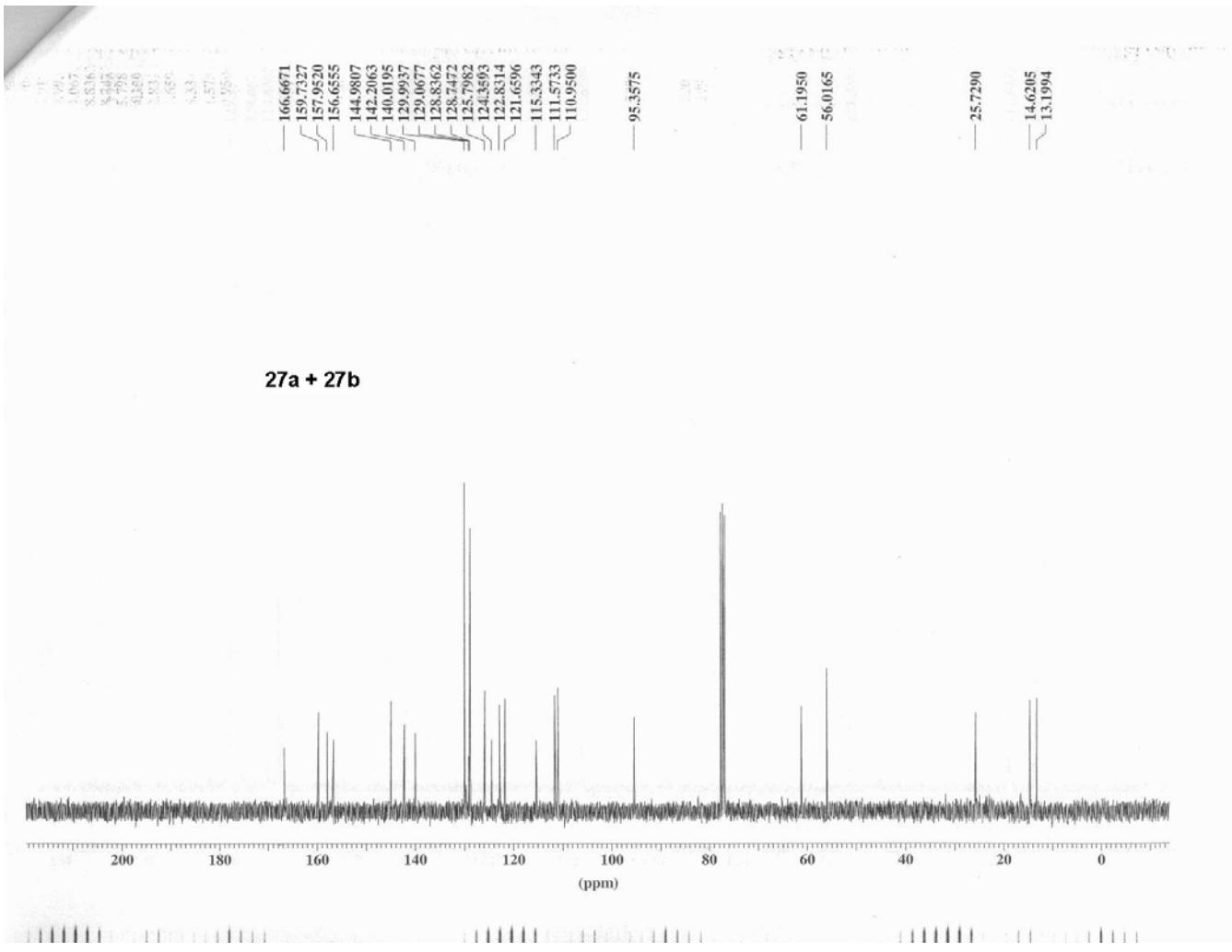


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