

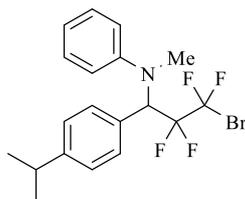
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Synthesis of tetrafluorinated tetrahydroquinolines via photoredox catalysis

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General. All reactions were performed under an argon atmosphere. Dichloromethane was distilled from P₂O₅. Dimethylformamide was distilled under vacuum from CaH₂ and stored over MS 4Å. Column chromatography was carried out employing silica gel (230-400 mesh). Precoated silica gel plates F-254 were used for thin-layer analytical chromatography visualizing with UV and/or acidic aq. KMnO₄ solution. High resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were measured using electrospray ionization (ESI) and time-of-flight (TOF) mass analyzer. The measurements were done in a positive ion mode (interface capillary voltage – 4500 V) or in a negative ion mode (3200 V); mass range from m/z 50 to m/z 3000. For GC-MS analysis, Agilent DB-1MS column coupled with the electron impact ionization mass detector was used. Starting bromotetrafluoroethyl-substituted hydroxylamines and amine **1a** were obtained as reported [I. A. Dmitriev *et al*, *Adv. Synth. Cat.*, 2018, **360**, 3788].

Synthesis of amines 1b-e (General procedure). Benzoyl chloride (169 mg, 1.2 mmol) was added to a solution of bromotetrafluoroethyl-substituted hydroxylamine (1.0 mmol) and NEt₃ (152 mg, 1.5 mmol) in dry dichloromethane (2 ml). The reaction flask was immersed in 50 °C bath, and the mixture was stirred at this temperature for 4 hours. The mixture was cooled to room temperature, and then washed with brine (5 ml), and the aqueous phase was extracted with dichloromethane (3×2 ml). The combined organic phases were dried with MgSO₄, and the solvent was evaporated under vacuum. The residue was dissolved in dry THF (1 ml), and this solution was added to a mixture of phenylmagnesium chloride (1.0 ml of 2.0 M in THF, 2.0 mmol) and diethylaluminum chloride (2.3 ml of 1.1 M in toluene, 2.5 mmol) while cooling with ice/water bath. The cooling bath was removed, and the mixture was stirred overnight at room temperature. The mixture was carefully quenched by dropwise addition of sat. aqueous NH₄Cl (3 ml). The mixture was diluted with water (20 ml) and extracted with hexanes (3×20 ml). The combined organic phases were filtered through a pad of celite. The solvent was evaporated under vacuum, and the residue was purified by chromatography.

***N*-[3-Bromo-2,2,3,3-tetrafluoro-1-(4-isopropylphenyl)propyl]-*N*-methylaniline (1b).**

Yield 198 mg (47%). Chromatography: hexanes, R_f 0.18. Colourless oil.

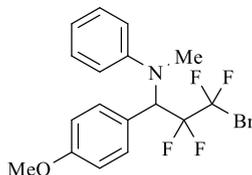
^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 7.44-7.26 (m, 6H), 7.02 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 2H), 6.93 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 5.80 (dd, $J = 19.4, 11.6$ Hz, 1H), 2.97 (sept, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 1H), 2.87 (s, 3H), 1.33 (d, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 1H).

^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 149.9, 149.3, 130.1 (d, $J = 2.1$ Hz), 129.4, 129.0 (t, $J = 2.2$ Hz), 126.7, 118.9, 114.4, 62.1 (dd, $J = 26.7, 19.8$), 33.9, 33.8, 24.0

^{19}F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : -62.8 (dd, $J = 178.1, 4.8$ Hz, 1F), -63.1 (dd, $J = 178.1, 4.9$ Hz, 1F), -105.0 (dd, $J = 270.5, 10.8$ Hz, 1F), -113.4 (ddd, $J = 270.5, 19.3, 4.7$ Hz, 1F).

HRMS (ESI): calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{21}^{79}\text{BrF}_4\text{N}$ (M+H) 418.0788 found 418.0787;

calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{21}^{81}\text{BrF}_4\text{N}$ (M+H) 420.0768 found 420.0768.

***N*-[3-Bromo-2,2,3,3-tetrafluoro-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)propyl]-*N*-methylaniline (1c).**

Chromatography (hexanes/EtOAc, 20:1, R_f 0.30) gave 241 mg of colourless oil containing an impurity. The product was dissolved in hexanes (10 ml) and washed with hydrochloric acid (6 ml sat. HCl and 10 ml water), the purity of organic phase was controlled by GC-MS analysis. Evaporation of the organic phase gave 188 mg of colourless oil (46%).

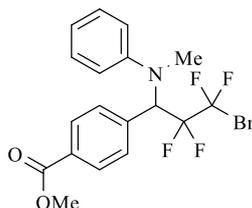
^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 7.39-7.32 (m, 4H), 6.98 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 2H), 6.93-6.89 (m, 3H), 5.72 (dd, $J = 18.5, 12.7$ Hz, 1H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 2.83 (s, 3H).

^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 159.7, 149.2, 130.4, 129.4, 124.6, 119.1, 114.6, 114.0, 62.2 (dd, $J = 26.3, 18.9$), 55.3, 33.7.

^{19}F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : -61.8 (dd, $J = 177.6, 5.1$ Hz, 1F), -62.1 (dd, $J = 177.6, 5.3$ Hz, 1F), -105.3 (ddd, $J = 270.0, 12.3, 5.0$ Hz, 1F), -112.1 (ddd, $J = 270.0, 18.4, 5.0$ Hz, 1F).

HRMS (ESI): calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{17}^{79}\text{BrF}_4\text{NO}$ (M+H) 406.0424 found 406.0415.

calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{17}^{81}\text{BrF}_4\text{NO}$ (M+H) 408.0404 found 408.0397.

Methyl 4-{3-bromo-2,2,3,3-tetrafluoro-1-[methyl(phenyl)amino]propyl}benzoate (1d)

Chromatography (hexanes/EtOAc, 10:1, R_f 0.28) gave 163 mg of colourless oil containing an impurity. The product was dissolved in hexanes (10 ml) and washed with hydrochloric acid (4 ml sat. HCl and 10 ml water), the purity of organic phase was controlled by GC-MS analysis. Evaporation of the organic phase gave 132 mg of colourless oil (30%).

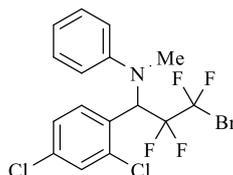
^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 8.04 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.48 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.31 (dd, $J = 8.8$, 7.4 Hz, 2H), 6.95 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 2H), 6.90 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1H), 5.77 (dd, $J = 19.4$, 10.5 Hz, 1H), 3.93 (s, 3H), 2.77 (s, 3H).

^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 166.5, 149.5, 137.5 (d, $J = 2.3$ Hz), 130.4, 130.1, 129.9, 129.5, 128.9 (t, $J = 2.5$ Hz), 128.4, 119.5, 114.7, 62.3 (dd, $J = 27.2$, 20.1), 52.3, 33.8.

^{19}F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : -62.2 (dd, $J = 179.0$, 6.5 Hz, 1F), -62.7 (dd, $J = 179.0$, 5.9 Hz, 1F), -104.0 (ddd, $J = 271.5$, 10.6, 5.8 Hz, 1F), -112.9 (ddd, $J = 271.5$, 19.2, 6.0 Hz, 1F).

HRMS (ESI): calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{17}^{79}\text{BrF}_4\text{NO}_2$ (M+H) 434.0373 found 434.0369.

calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{17}^{81}\text{BrF}_4\text{NO}_2$ (M+H) 436.0354 found 436.0354.

***N*-[3-Bromo-1-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-2,2,3,3-tetrafluoropropyl]-*N*-methylaniline (1e)**

Yield 165 mg (37%). Chromatography: hexanes, R_f 0.23. Colourless oil.

^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 7.74 (d, $J = 8.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.49 (d, $J = 2.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.37-7.31 (m, 3H), 7.05 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 6.93 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1H), 6.26 (dd, $J = 16.5$, 14.1 Hz, 1H), 2.91 (s, 3H).

^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 149.6, 136.4, 135.4, 131.7, 130.3, 129.2, 126.9, 119.6, 115.1, 58.4 (dd, $J = 23.4$, 21.6), 34.0.

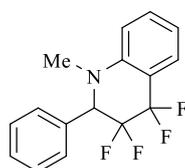
^{19}F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : -62.0 (m, 2F), -108.1 (dd, $J = 270.8$, 13.9 Hz, 1F), -109.5 (d, $J = 270.8$, 16.8 Hz, 1F).

HRMS (ESI): calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{13}^{79}\text{BrCl}_2\text{F}_4\text{NO}$ (M+H) 443.9539 found 443.9522.

calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{13}^{81}\text{BrCl}_2\text{F}_4\text{NO}$ (M+H) 445.9518 found 445.9506.

Synthesis of compounds 2 (General procedure). Substrate **1** (0.30 mmol), *fac*-Ir(ppy)₃ (1.0 mg, 1.5 μmol) and sodium carbonate (38 mg, 0.37 mmol) were placed in a test tube. The tube was evacuated and filled with argon, DMF (1.5 ml) was added, and the tube was closed tightly with a screw-cap. The reaction mixture was irradiated for 24 hours by a strip of light emitting diodes (2835-120LED 1M-Blue, 12V); during the irradiation the mixture was cooled with water to maintain temperature around 23-25 °C. The mixture was then poured into water (10 ml) and extracted with hexanes (5×4 ml). The combined organic phases were dried with Na₂SO₄, concentrated under vacuum, and the residue was purified by chromatography.

3,3,4,4-Tetrafluoro-1-methyl-2-phenyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroquinoline (2a).



Yield 65 mg (73%). Colourless oil. Chromatography (EtOAc/hexanes 1:7, R_f 0.33).

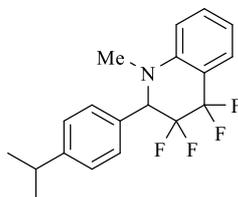
¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 7.64 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.50-7.36 (m, 6H), 6.93 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.87 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 4.72 (dt, *J* = 19.2, 8.3 Hz, 1H), 2.85 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 145.8 (dd, *J* = 5.8, 4.3 Hz), 133.1, 132.1, 129.5, 129.3, 128.7, 126.2 (dd, *J* = 5.1, 2.5 Hz), 118.2 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz), 116.2-115.2 (m), 114.4 (td, *J* = 23.5, 1.4 Hz), 113.0, 112.8-111.9 (m), 109.1 (ddd, *J* = 31.6, 22.7, 6.8 Hz), 66.5 (dd, *J* = 26.8, 22.1 Hz), 37.7.

¹⁹F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: -96.7 (dm, *J* = 265.1 Hz, 1F), -120.9 (dm, *J* = 265.1 Hz, 1F), -124.1 (dm, *J* = 253.7 Hz), -128.8 (d, *J* = 253.7 Hz, 1F).

HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₁₆H₁₄F₄N (M+H) 296.1057 found 296.1052.

3,3,4,4-Tetrafluoro-2-(4-isopropylphenyl)-1-methyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroquinoline (2b).



Yield 68 mg (67%). Chromatography: hexanes/EtOAc, 20:1, R_f 0.28. Colourless oil.

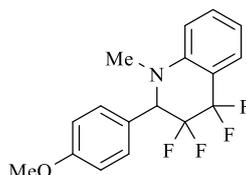
¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 7.65 (dt, *J* = 7.8, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.50-7.44 (m, 1H), 7.35-7.28 (m, 4H), 6.93 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.88 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 4.71 (dt, *J* = 19.6, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 2.97 (sept, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 2.86 (s, 3H), 1.32 (s, 3H), 1.28 (s, 3H).

^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 150.1, 145.9 (dd, $J = 5.9, 4.2$ Hz), 133.0 (dd, $J = 2.5, 1.4$ Hz), 129.5 (d, $J = 1.5$ Hz), 129.3, 126.8, 126.2 (d, $J = 5.5$ Hz), 118.0 (d, $J = 1.7$ Hz), 114.4 (td, $J = 23.3, 1.6$ Hz), 113.0, 66.2 (ddd, $J = 26.9, 22.0, 1.2$ Hz), 37.6, 34.0, 24.0.

^{19}F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : -95.9 (ddd, $J = 263.7$ Hz, 19.7, 7.4, 1F), -121.2 (ddd, $J = 263.9, 18.3, 8.7$ Hz, 1F), -124.2 (ddt, $J = 253.1, 19.7, 8.7$ Hz), -128.7 (dt, $J = 253.0, 19.1$ Hz, 1F).

HRMS (ESI): calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{20}\text{F}_4\text{N}$ (M+H) 338.1526 found 338.1520.

3,3,4,4-Tetrafluoro-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1-methyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroquinoline (2c)



Yield 46 mg (47%). Chromatography: hexanes/EtOAc, 5:1, R_f 0.38.

Colourless crystals. Mp 112-115 °C.

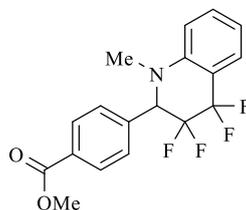
^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 7.63 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.45 (t, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.30 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 2H), 6.97-6.83 (m, 4H), 4.66 (dt, $J = 19.8, 8.3$ Hz, 1H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 2.83 (s, 3H).

^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 160.4, 145.8 (dd, $J = 6.1, 4.2$ Hz), 133.0 (dd, $J = 2.5, 1.3$ Hz), 130.7 (d, $J = 1.6$ Hz), 126.2 (dd, $J = 5.1, 2.1$ Hz), 123.8, 118.1 (d, $J = 1.7$ Hz), 114.1, 113.1, 65.8 (ddd, $J = 26.9, 22.0, 1.3$ Hz), 55.4, 37.4.

^{19}F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : -95.4 (ddd, $J = 264.1$ Hz, 19.5, 6.7, 1F), -121.8 (ddd, $J = 263.7, 17.5, 8.0$ Hz, 1F), -124.6 (dtd, $J = 253.2, 19.8, 8.8$ Hz), -128.9 (dt, $J = 253.0, 19.2$ Hz, 1F).

HRMS (ESI): calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{16}\text{F}_4\text{NO}$ (M+H) 326.1163 found 326.1168.

Methyl 4-(3,3,4,4-tetrafluoro-1-methyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroquinolin-2-yl)benzoate (2d)



Yield 45 mg (42%). Chromatography: hexanes/EtOAc, 4:1, R_f 0.28.

Colourless crystals. Mp 119-120 °C.

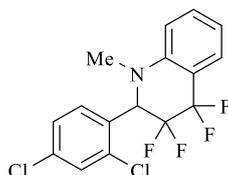
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^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 166.1, 144.9 (dd, $J = 6.0, 4.4$ Hz), 136.7, 132.6 (dd, $J = 2.3, 1.5$ Hz), 130.6, 129.3, 128.9 (d, $J = 1.6$ Hz), 125.7 (dd, $J = 5.0, 2.5$ Hz), 117.9 (d, $J = 1.6$ Hz), 112.5, 65.7 (ddd, $J = 26.9, 22.2, 1.0$ Hz), 51.8, 37.3.

^{19}F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : -98.0 (ddd, $J = 265.4$ Hz, 18.3, 6.0, 1F), -119.7 (ddd, $J = 265.0, 18.2, 7.3$ Hz, 1F), -123.4 (ddt, $J = 253.6, 19.7, 8.6$ Hz), -128.9 (dt, $J = 254.0, 18.3$ Hz, 1F).

HRMS (ESI): calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{16}\text{F}_4\text{NO}_2$ (M+H) 354.1112 found 354.1108.

2-(2,4-Dichlorophenyl)-3,3,4,4-tetrafluoro-1-methyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroquinoline (2e)



Yield 69 mg (63%). Chromatography: hexanes/EtOAc, 7:1, R_f 0.36.

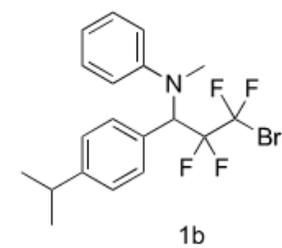
Colourless crystals. Mp 104-106°C.

^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 7.66 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.54 (d, $J = 1.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.49 (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.40 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.30 (d, $J = 8.5, 1.7$ Hz, 1H), 6.97 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 6.88 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 5.42 (dt, $J = 17.9, 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.80 (s, 3H).

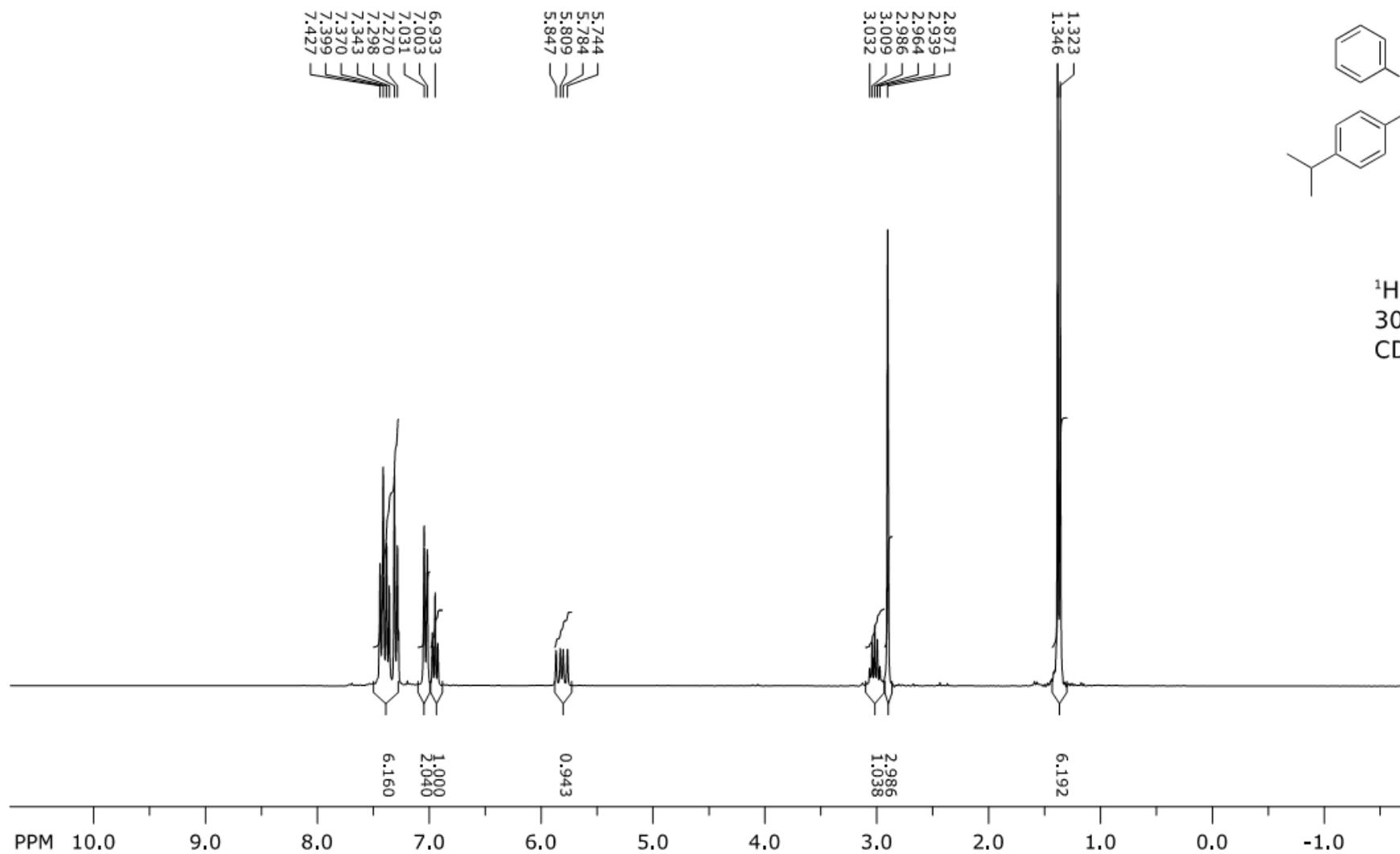
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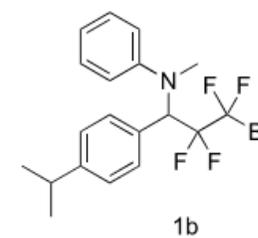
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HRMS (ESI): calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{12}\text{Cl}_2\text{F}_4\text{N}$ (M+H) 364.0277 found 364.0268.

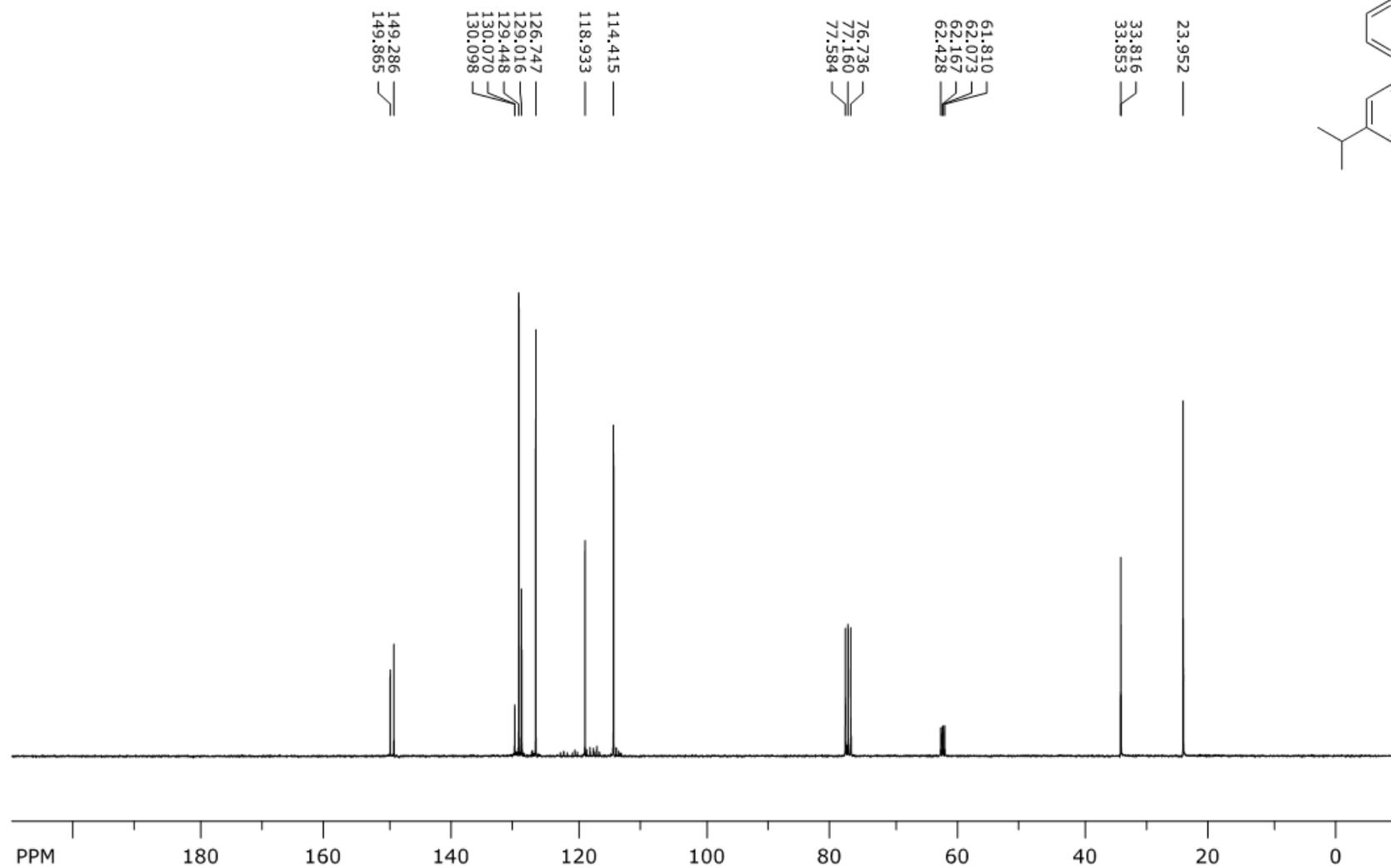


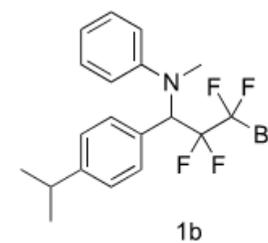
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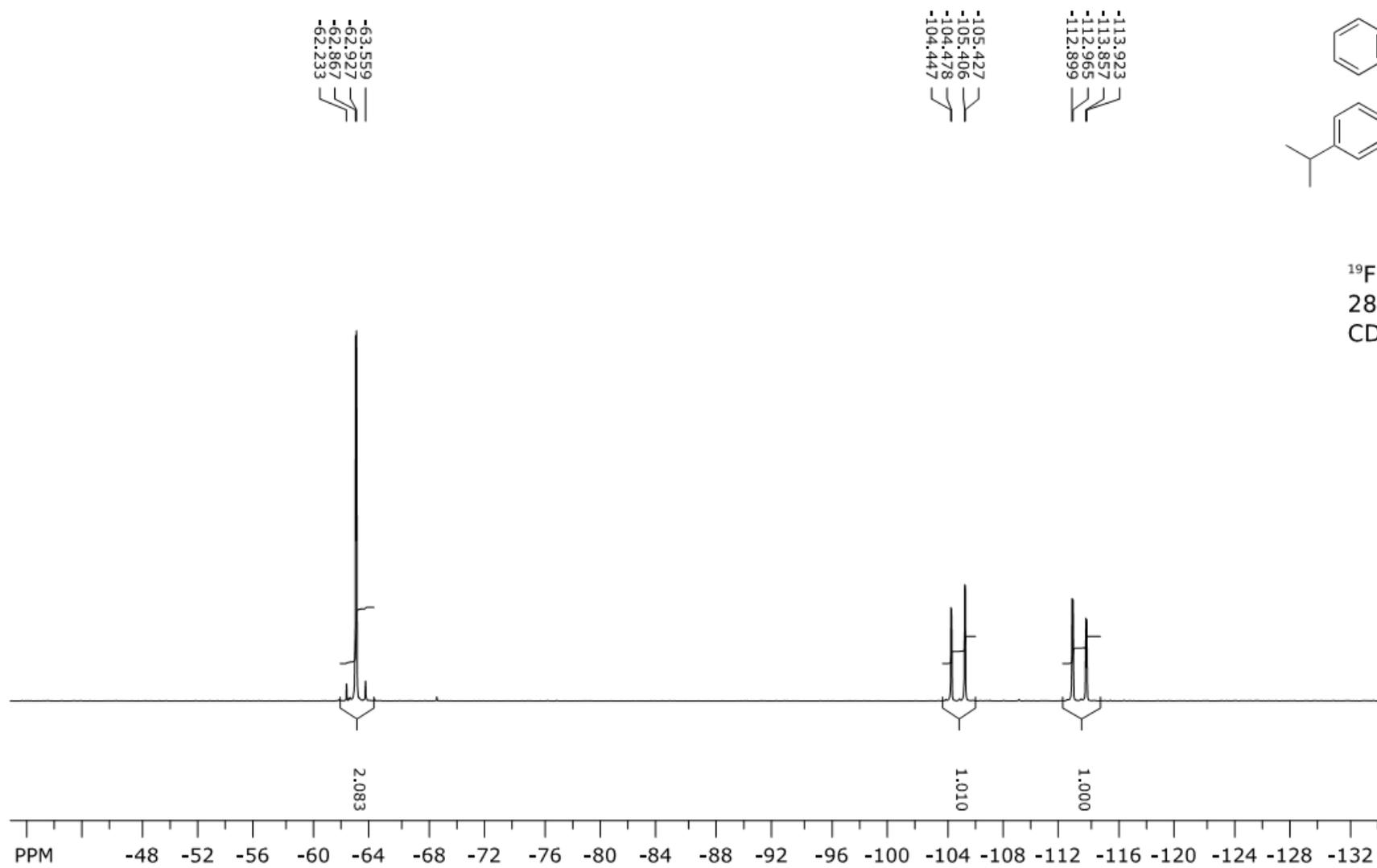


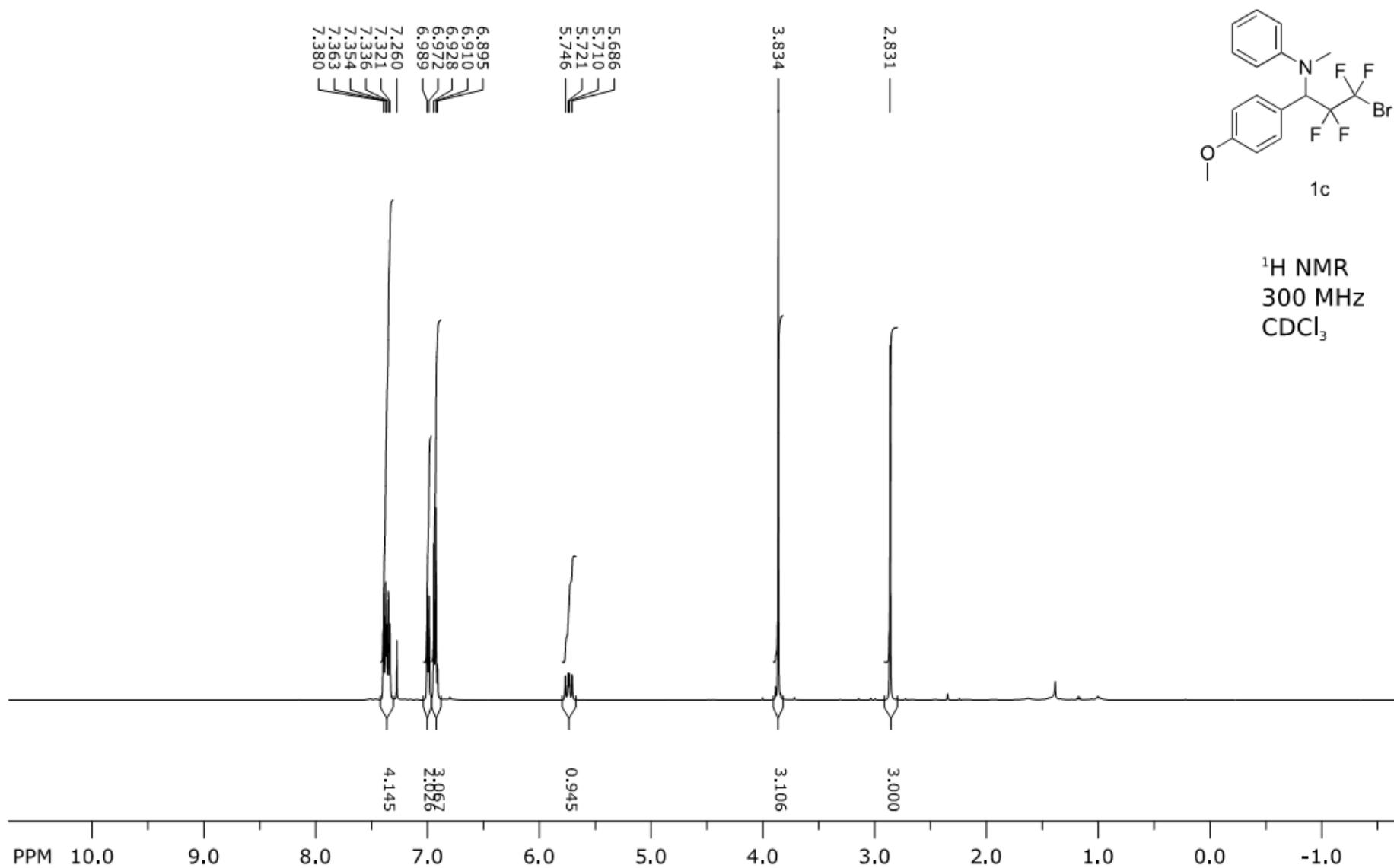
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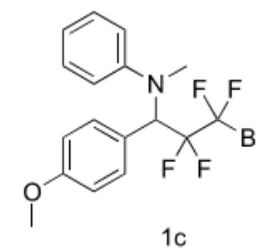




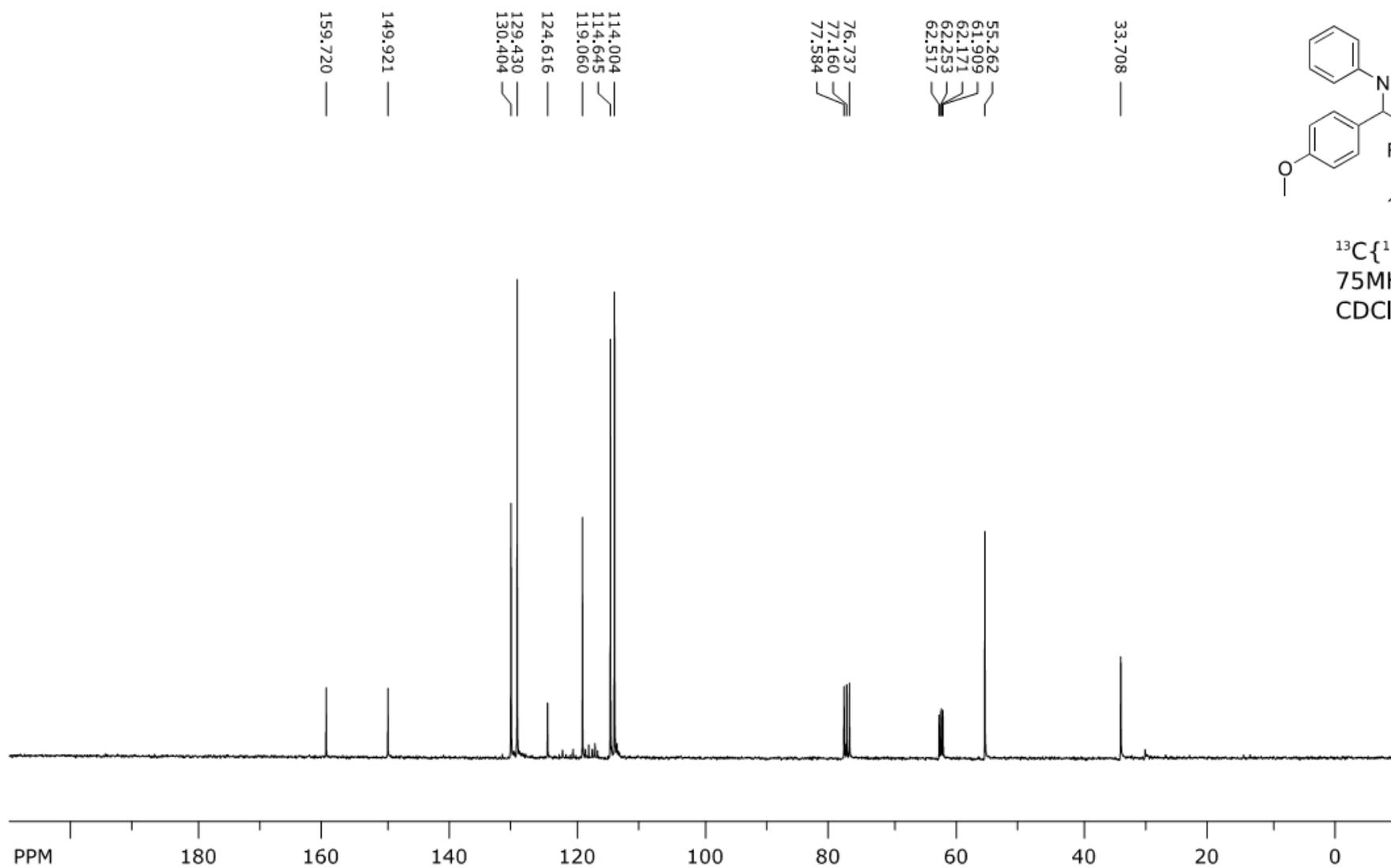
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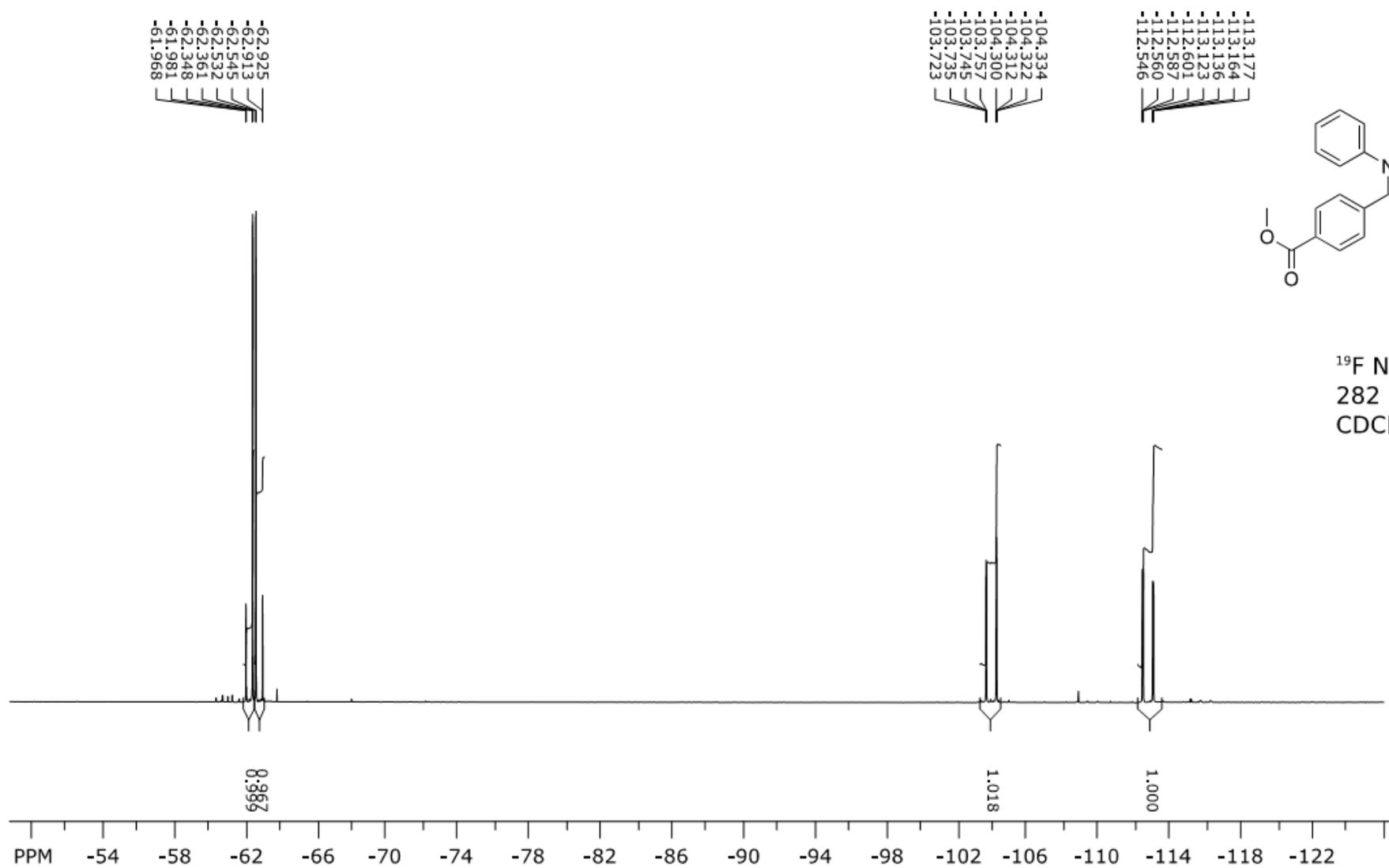


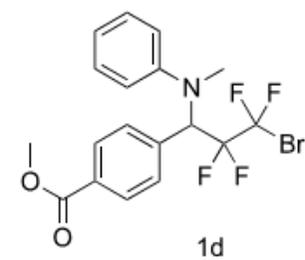




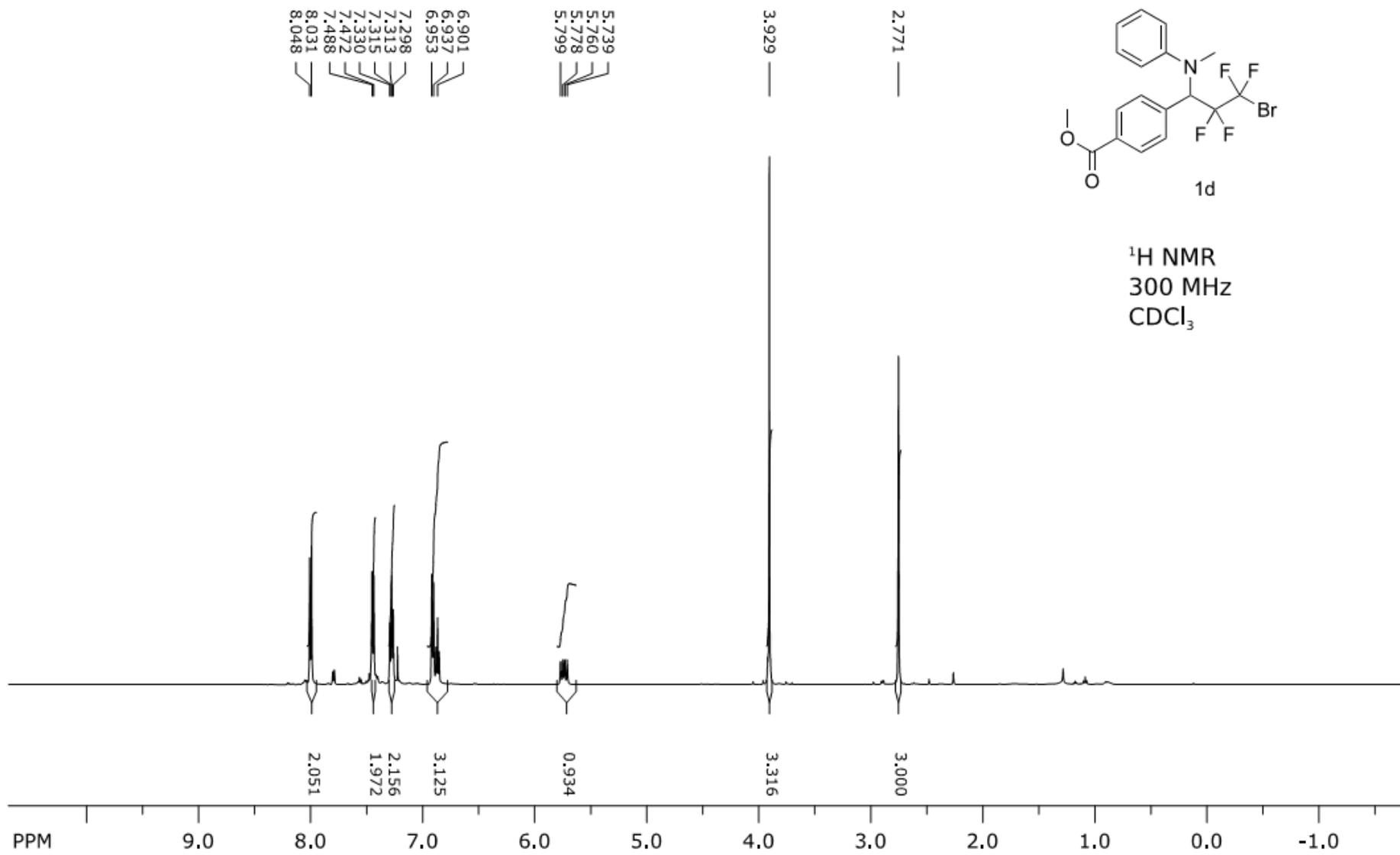
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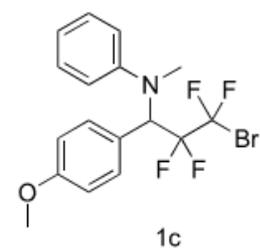




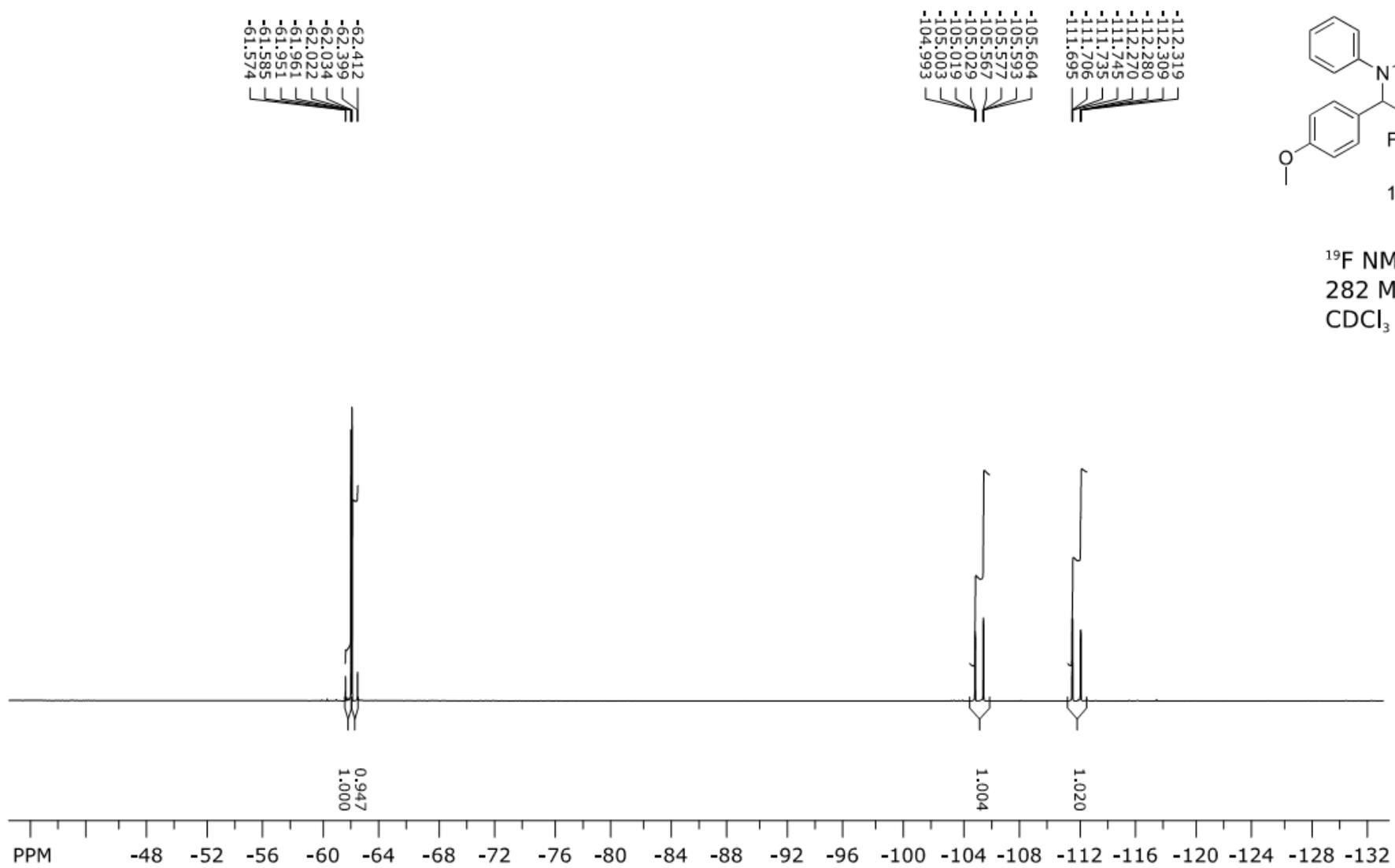


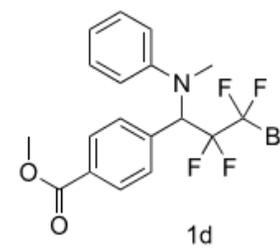
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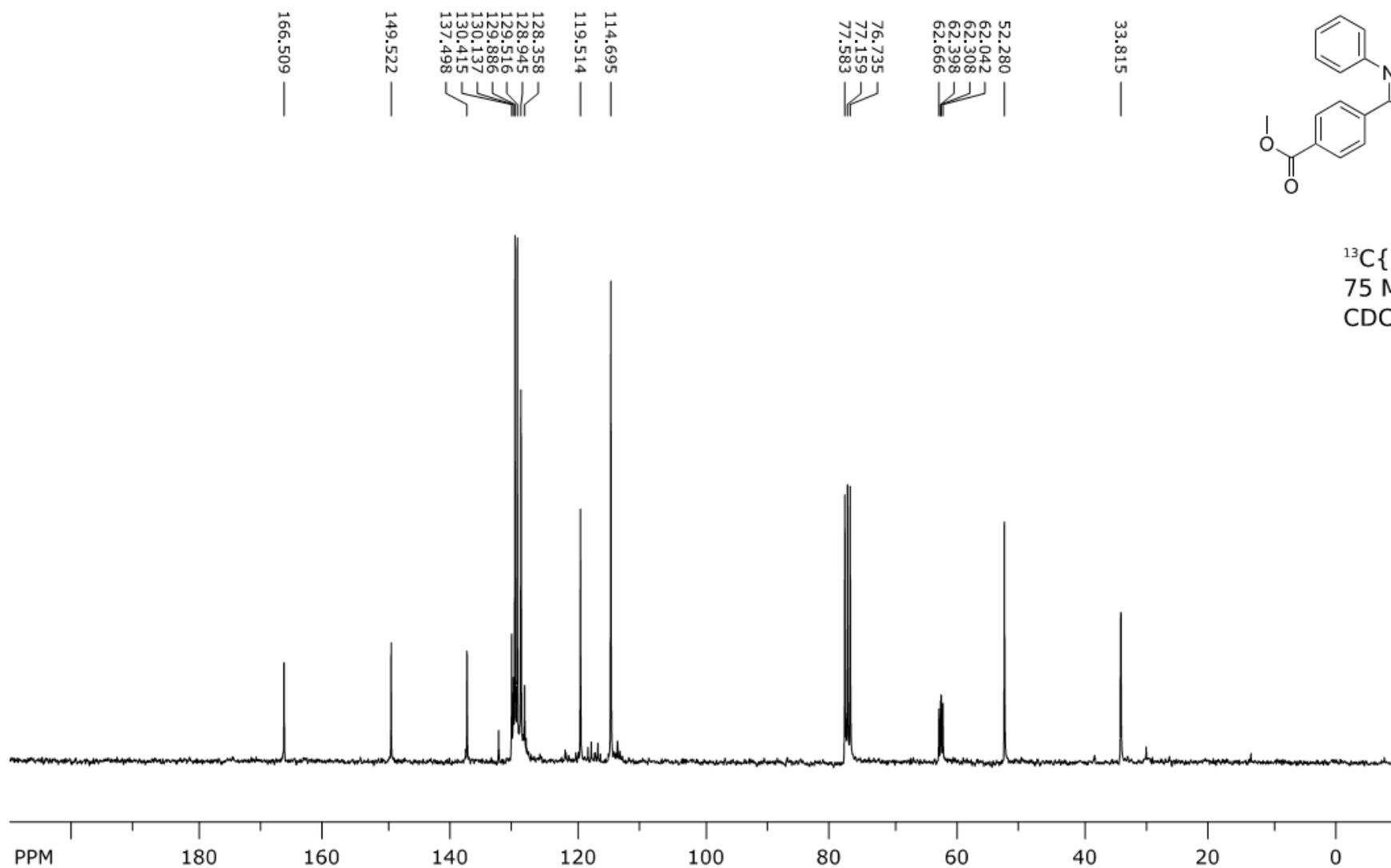


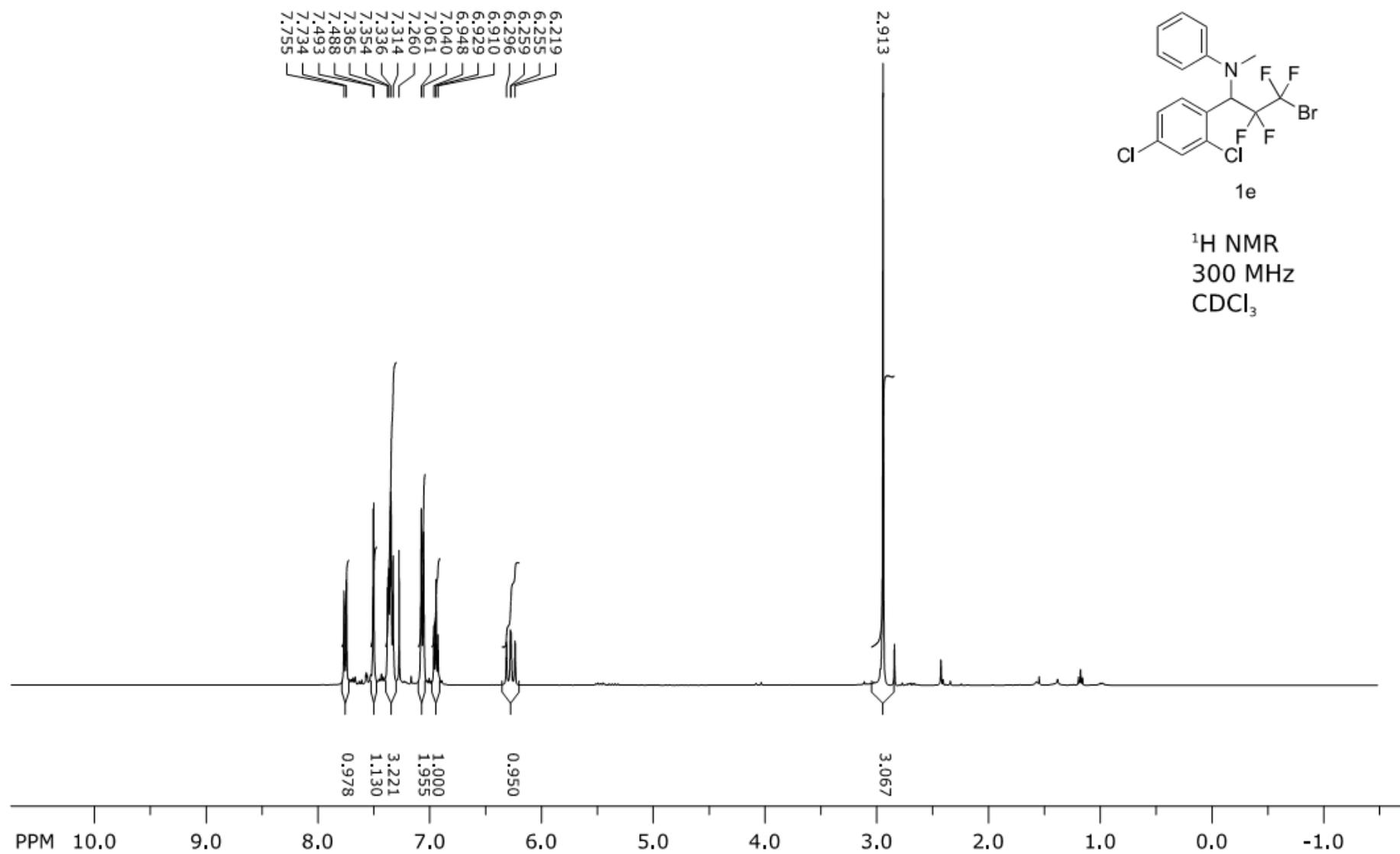
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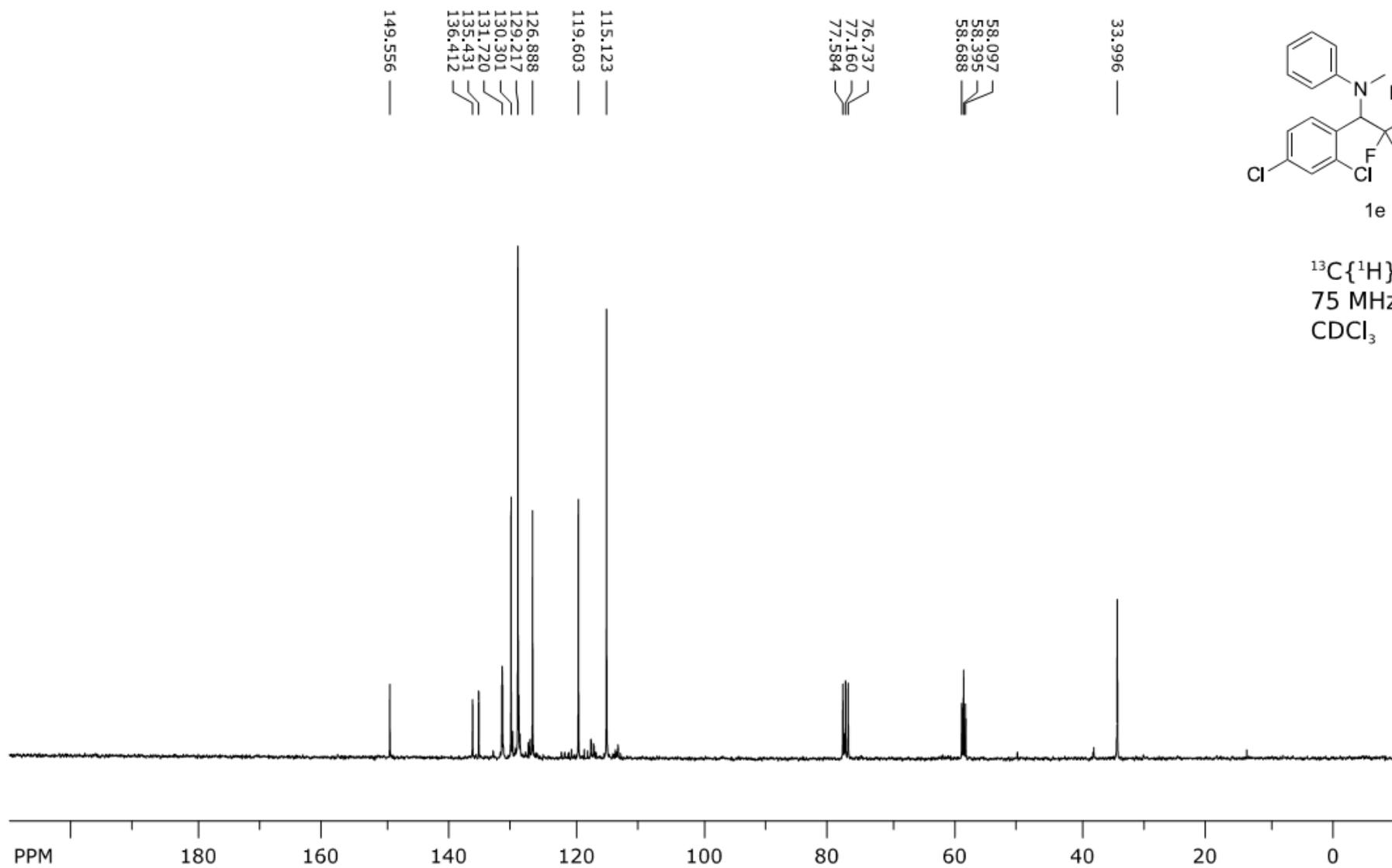


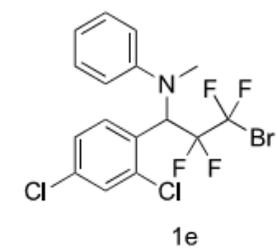


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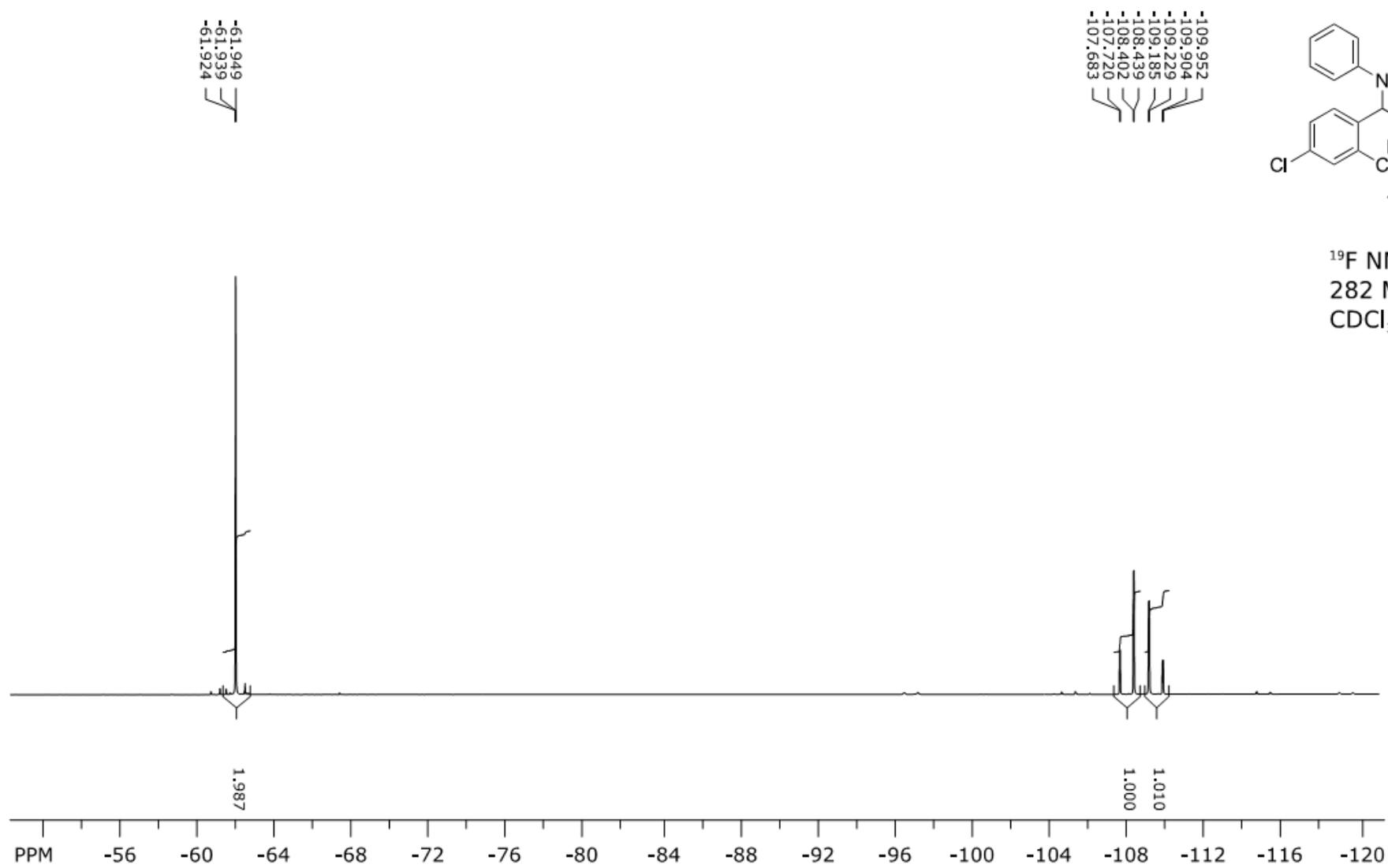


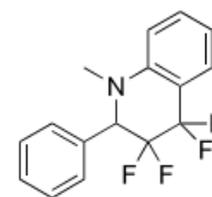






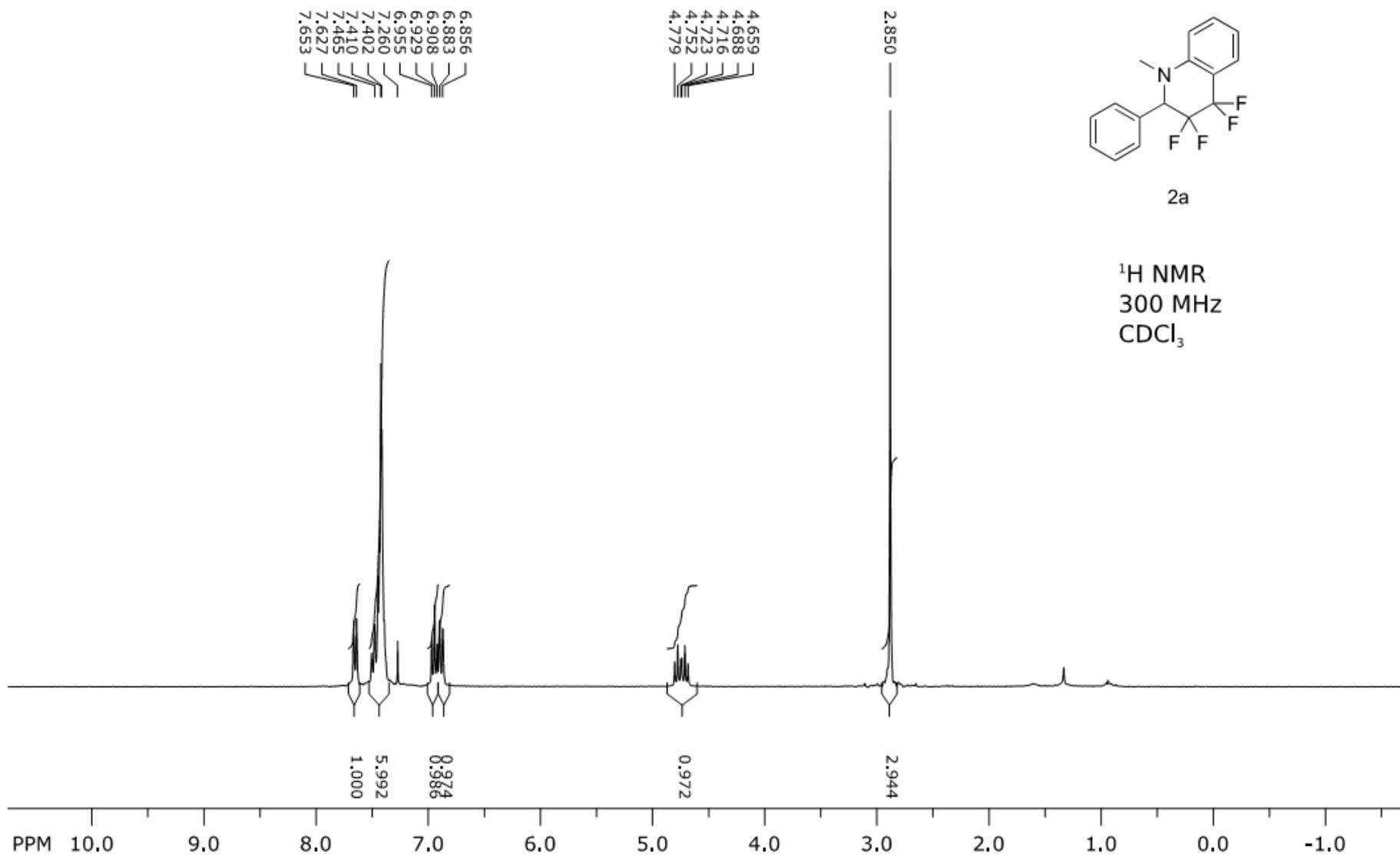
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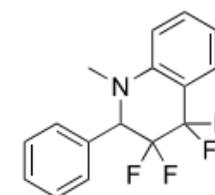




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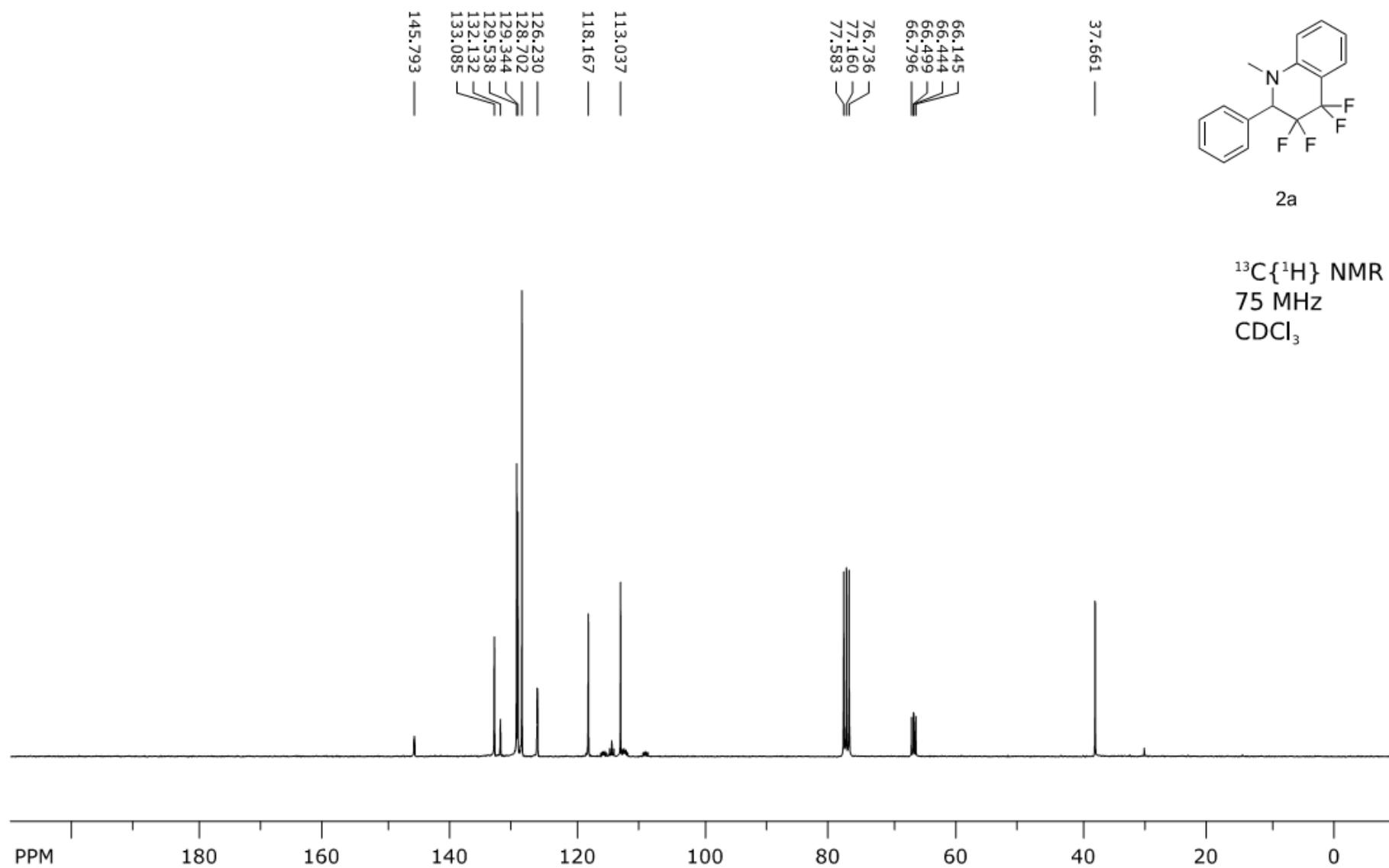
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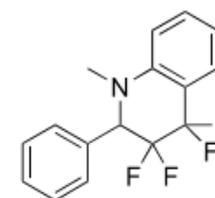




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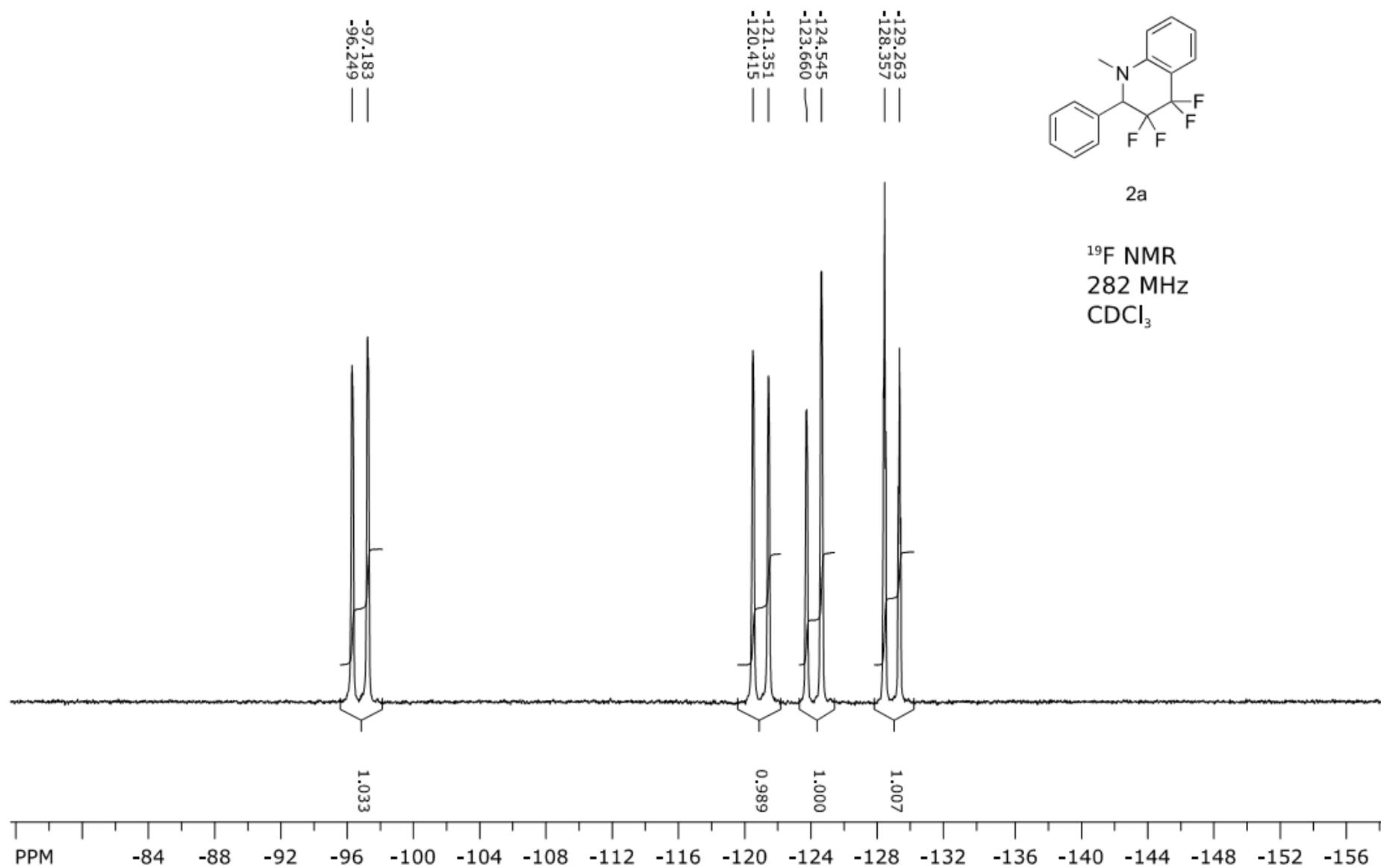
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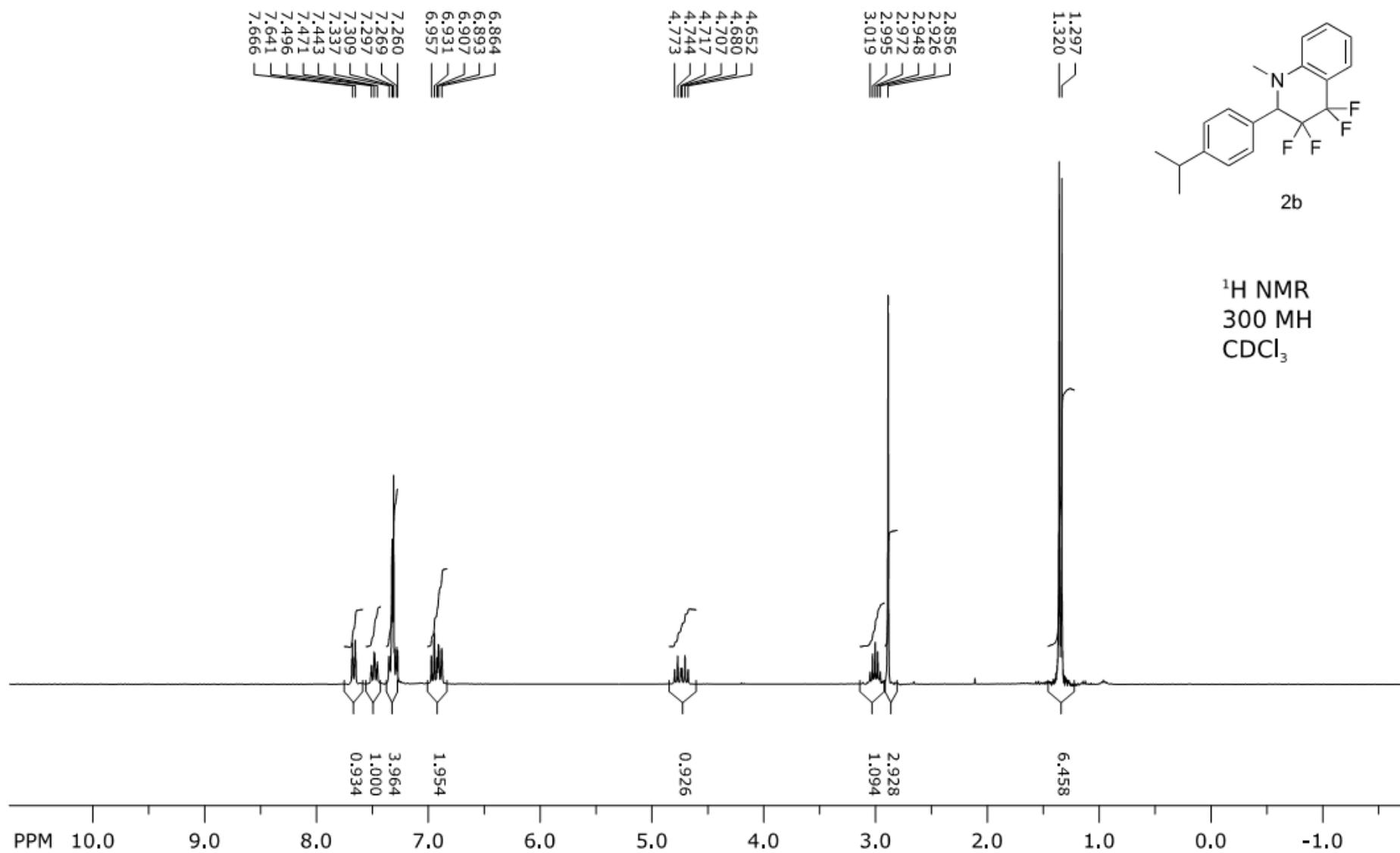


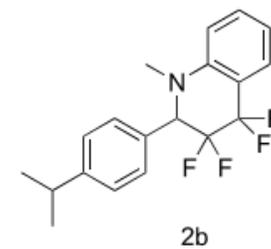


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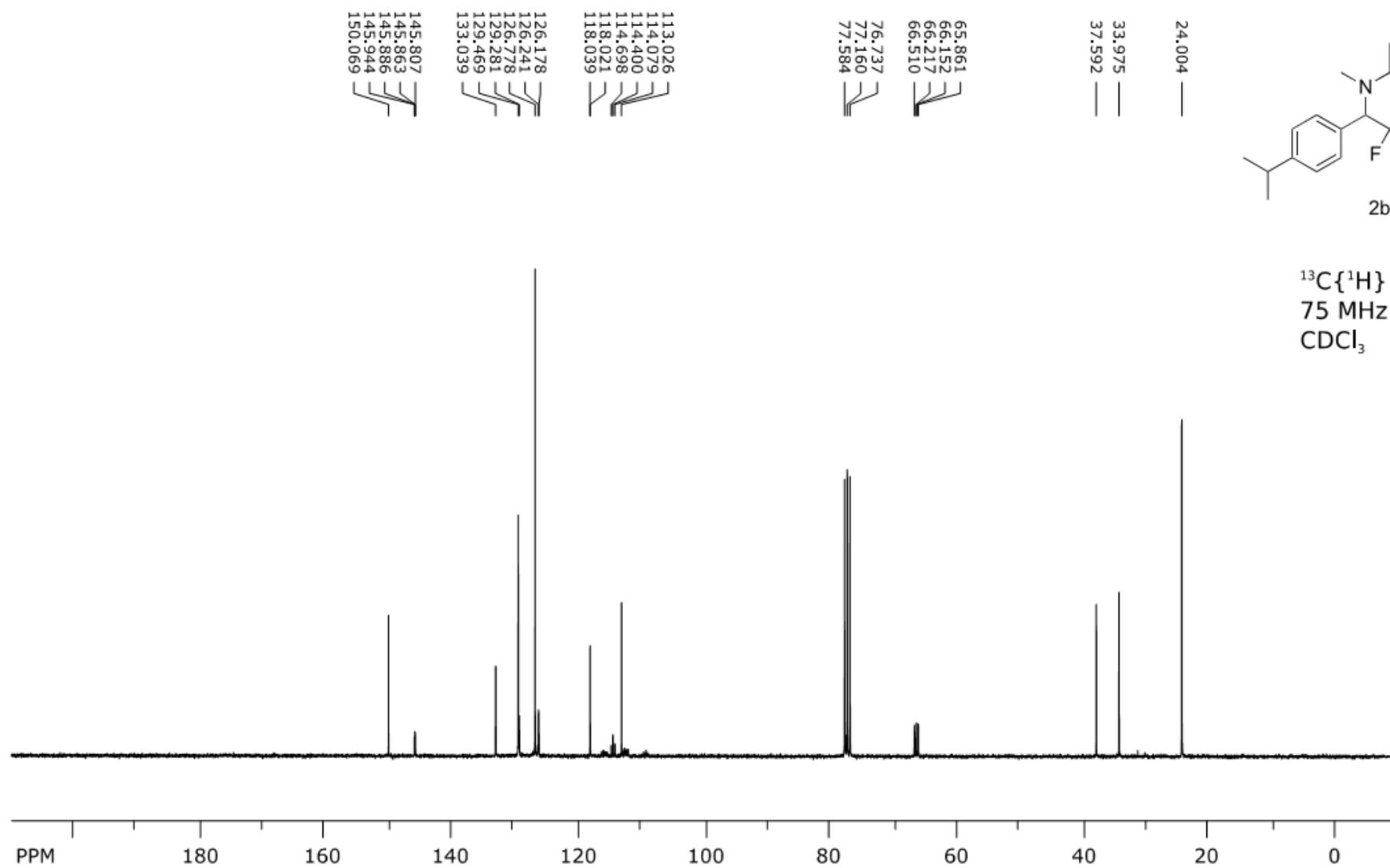
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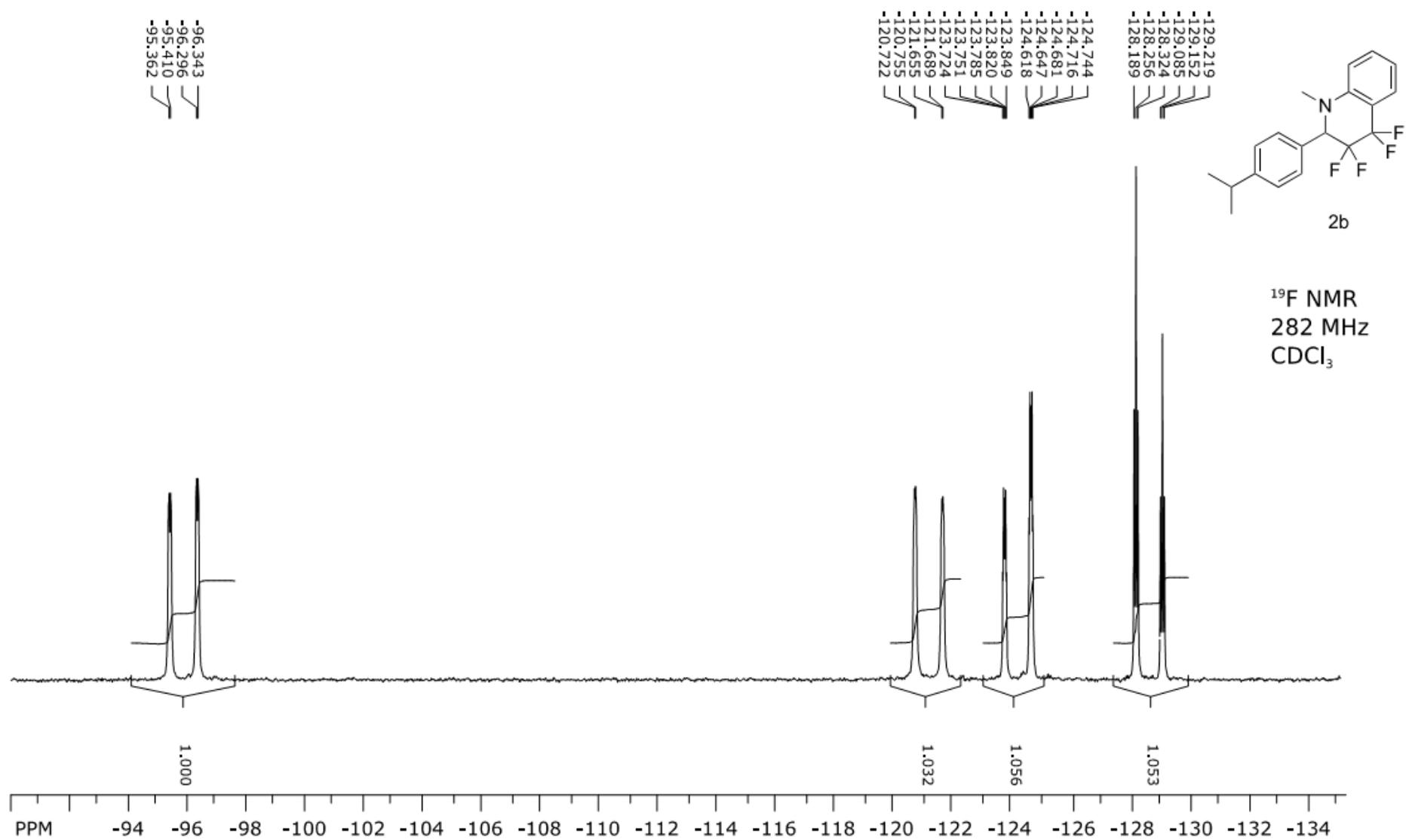


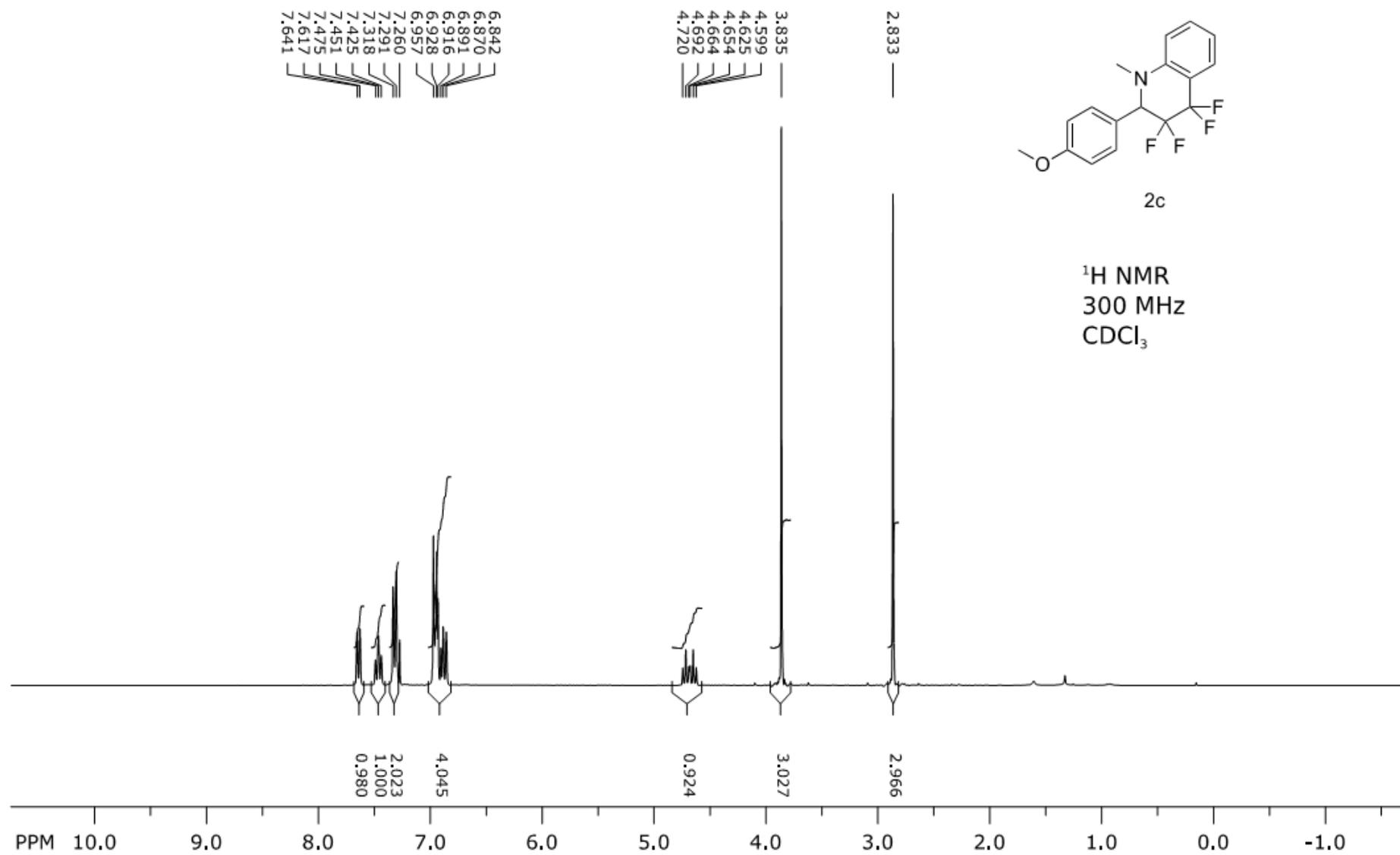


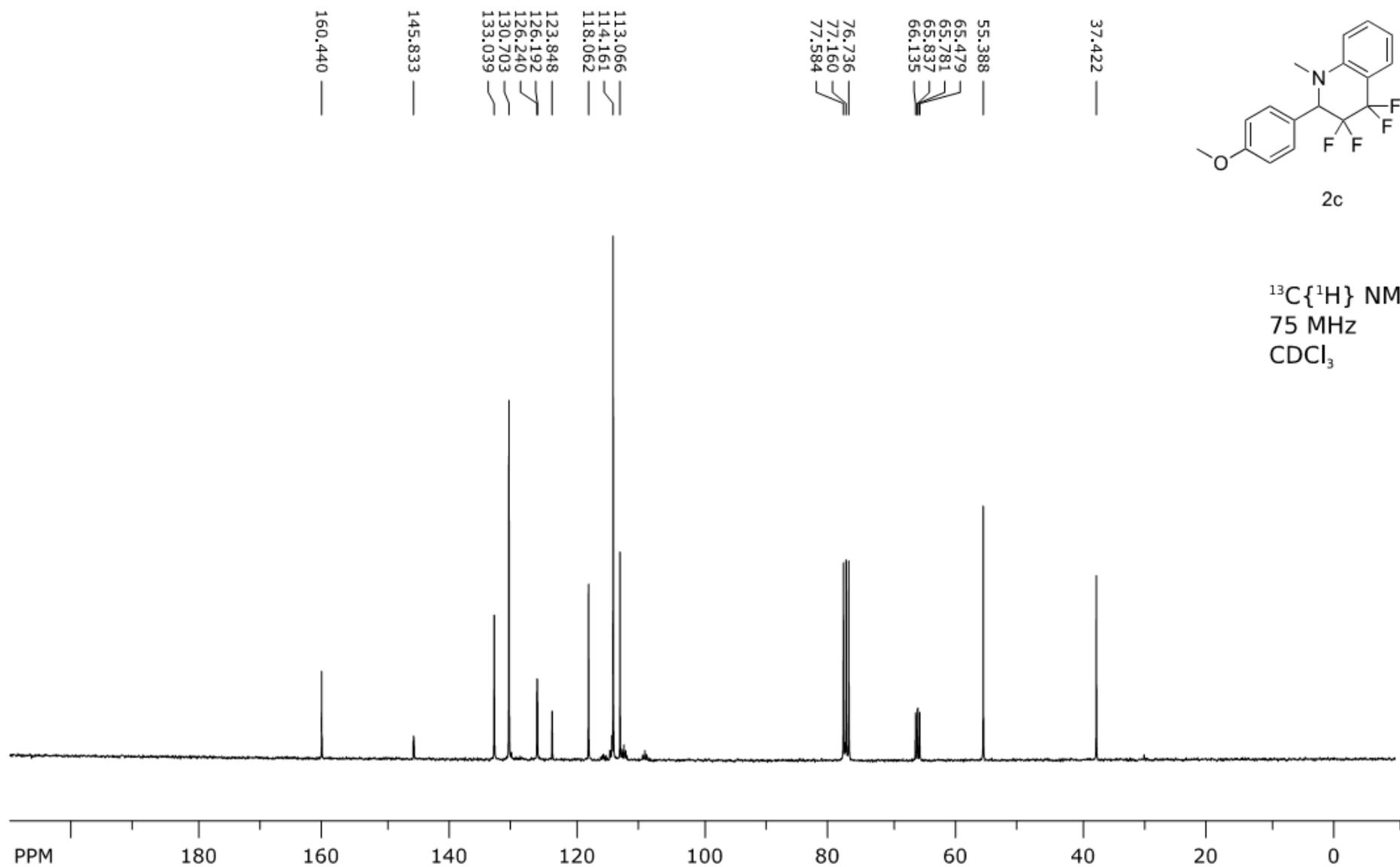


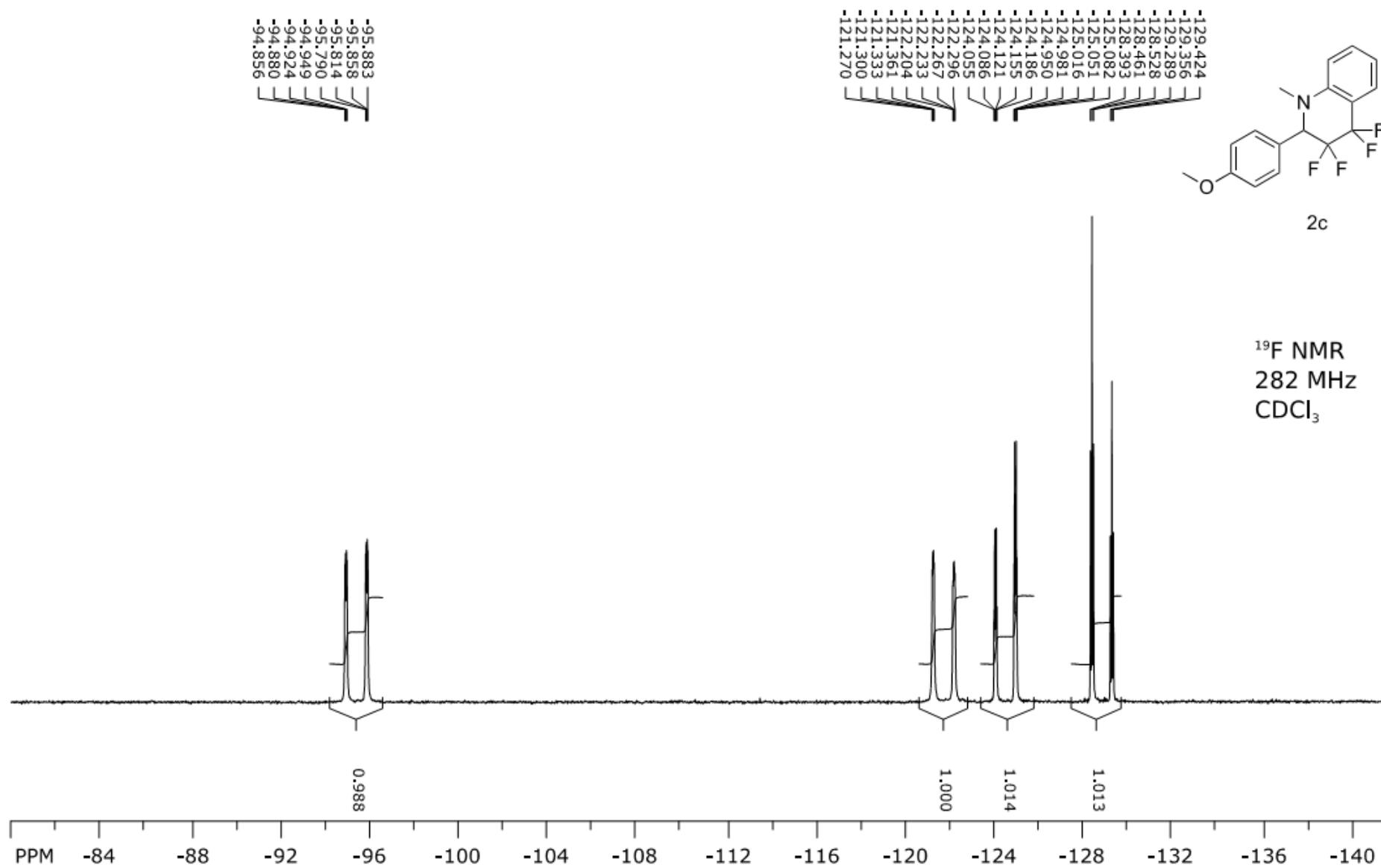
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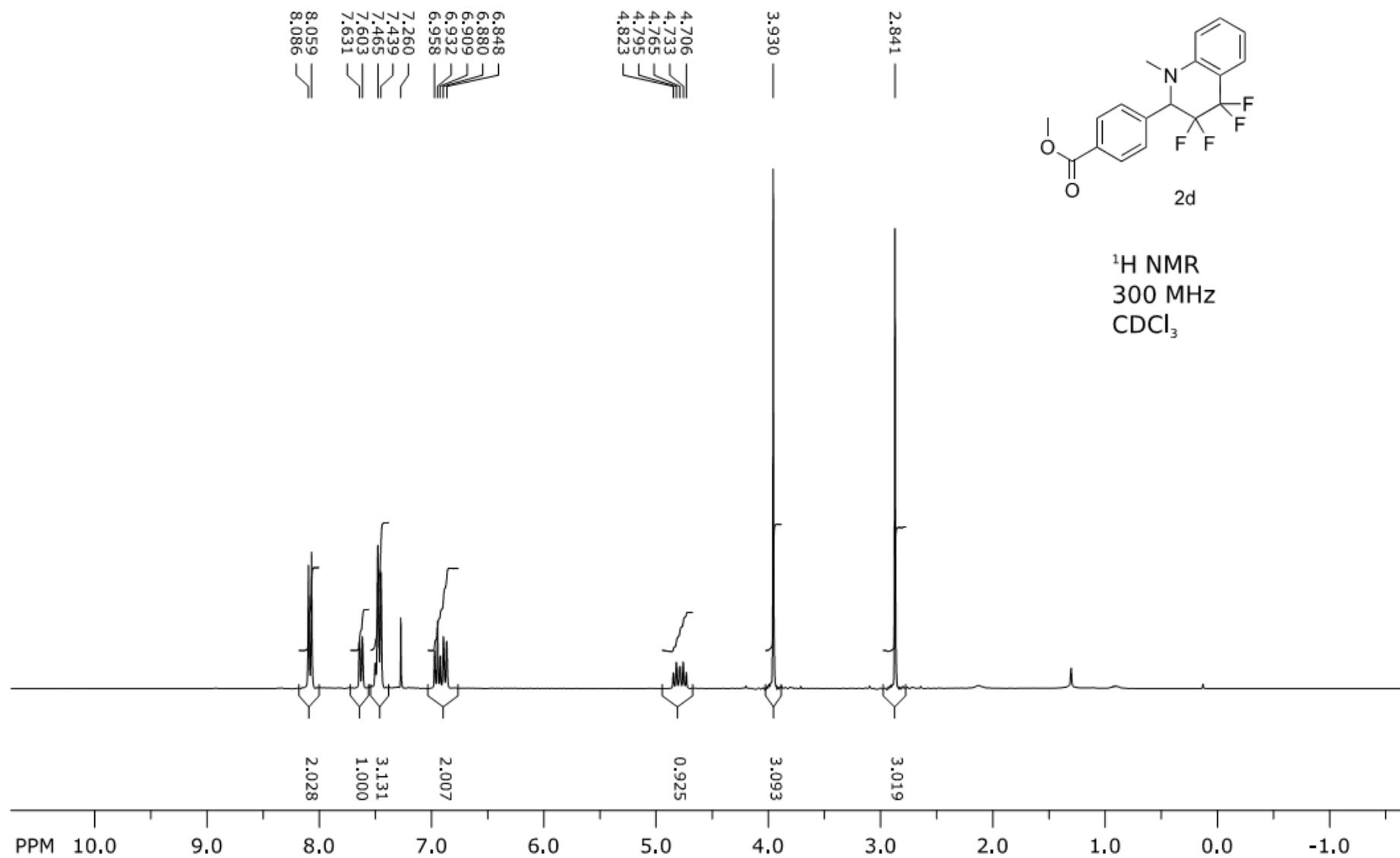


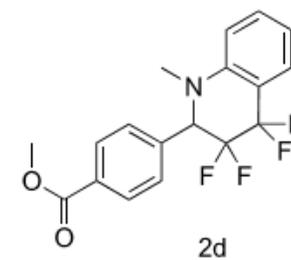




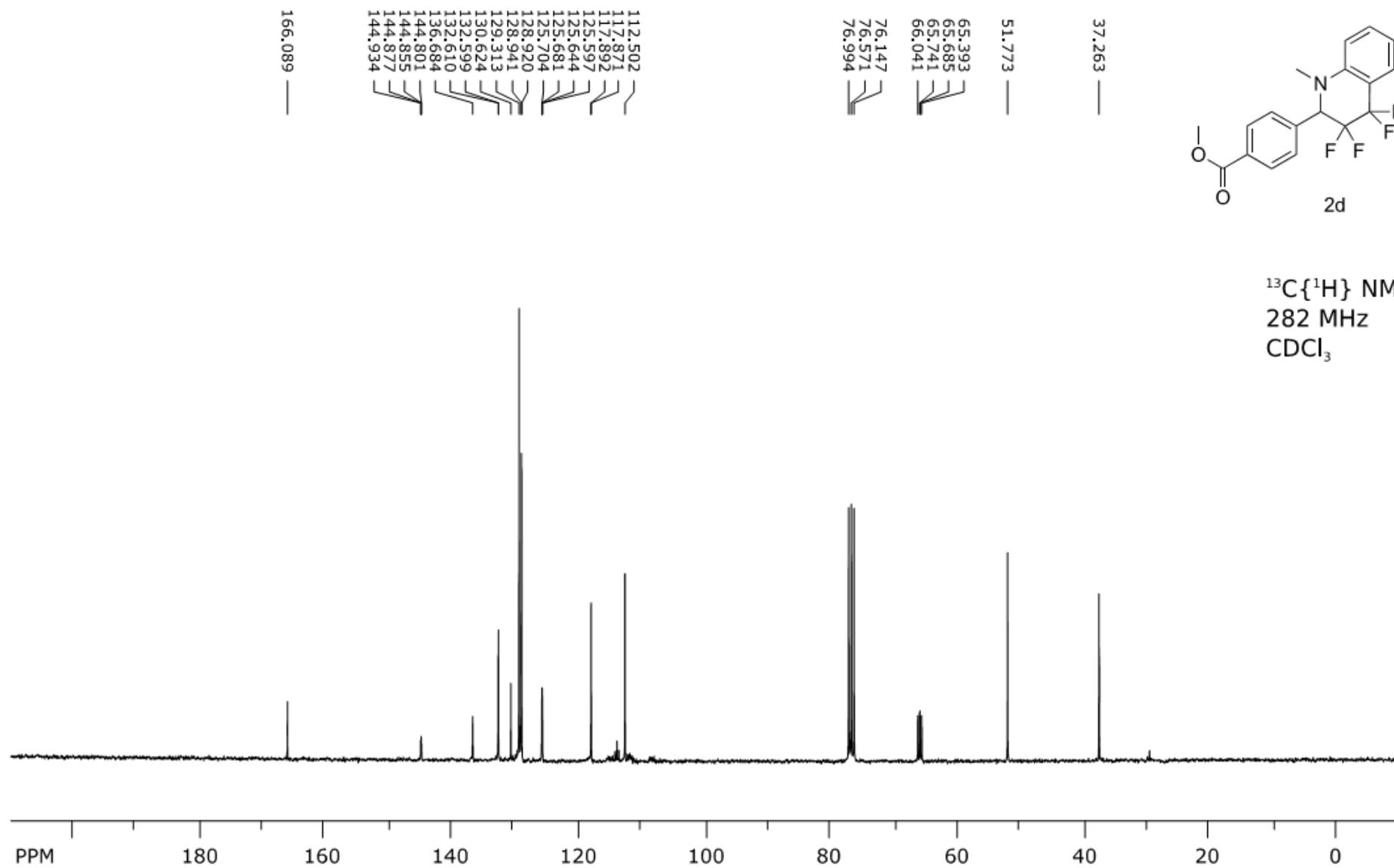


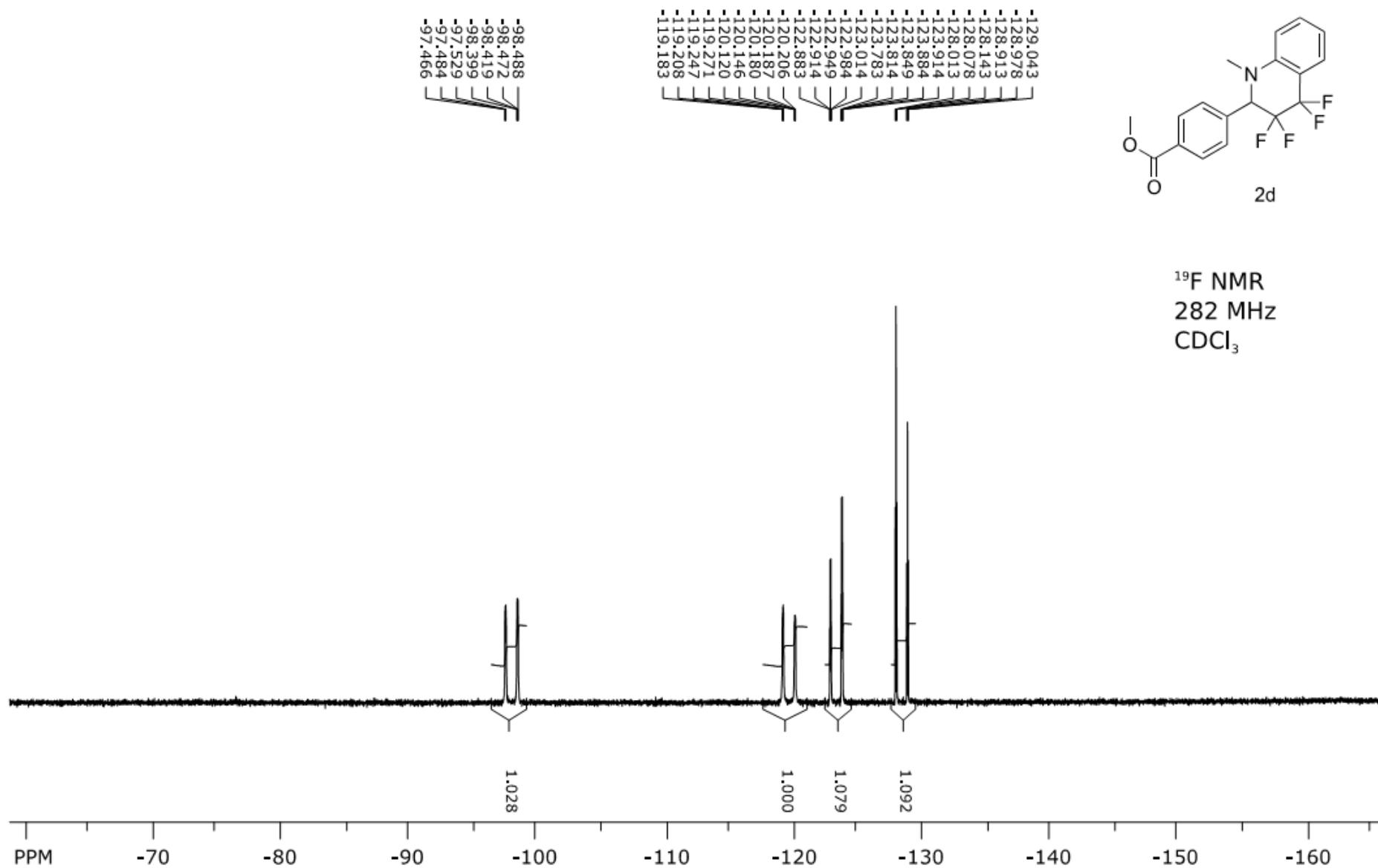


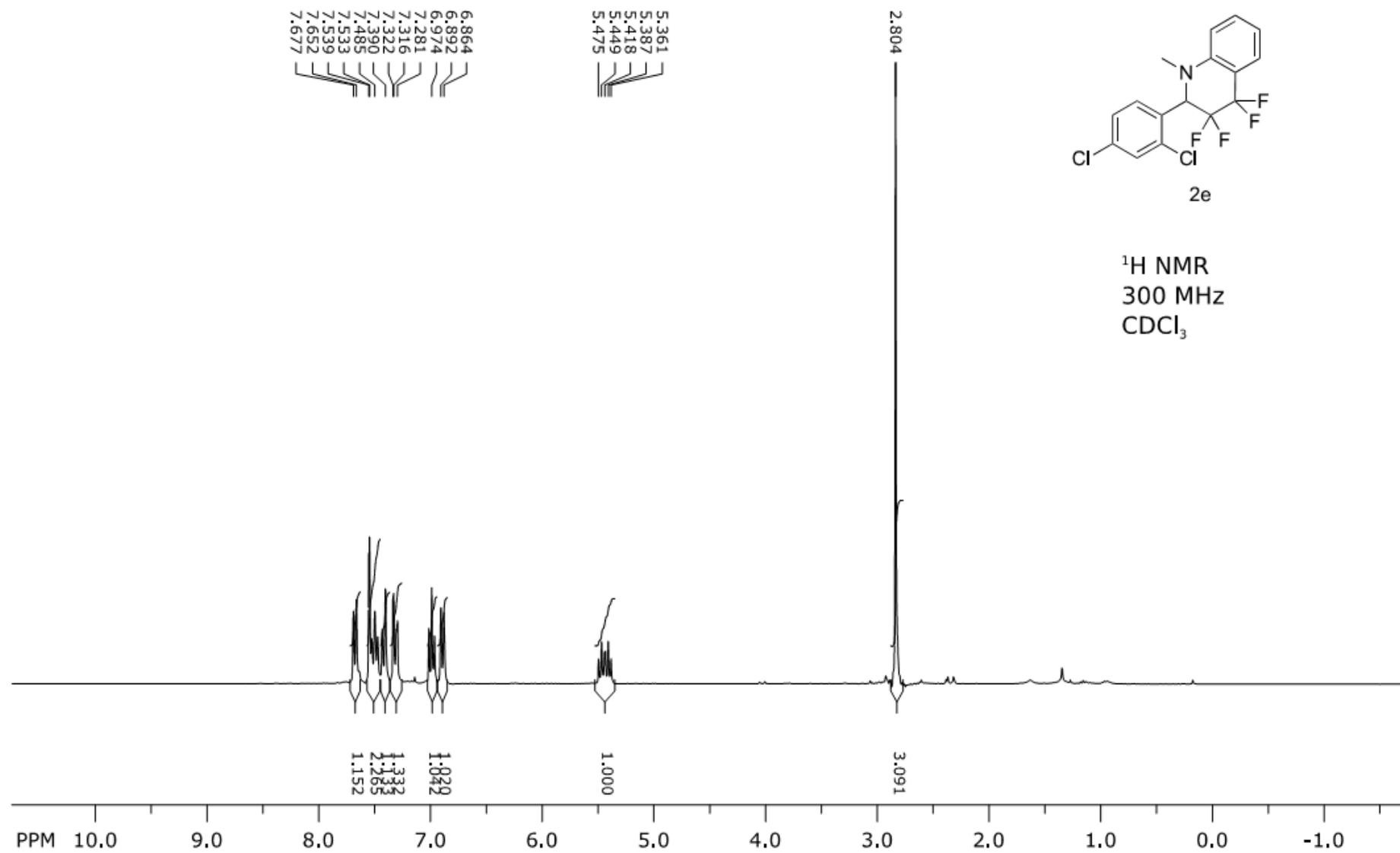


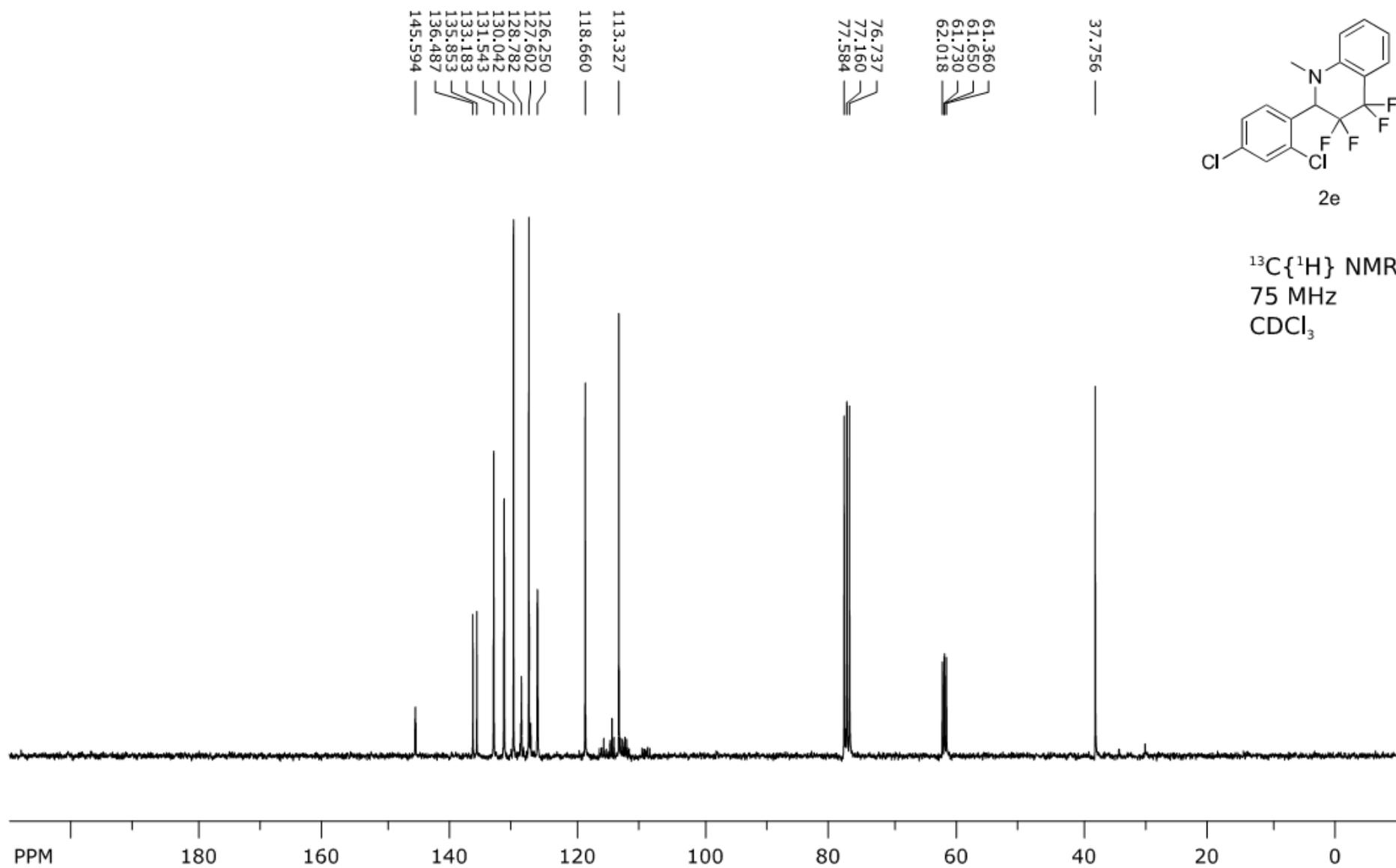


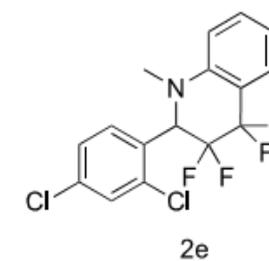
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