

Supporting Information for

N-Methoxy-N-methylcyanoformamide, a Highly Reactive Reagent for the Formation of β -Keto-Weinreb Amides and Unsymmetrical Ketones.

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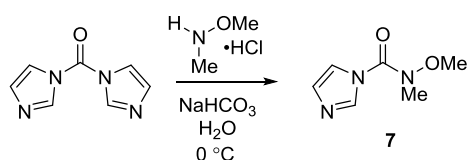
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General Experimental Procedures

Unless otherwise specified, proton (^1H) and carbon (^{13}C) NMR spectra were recorded at 18 °C in base-filtered CDCl_3 on a Varian spectrometer operating at 400 or 500 MHz for proton and 100 or 125 MHz for carbon nuclei. For ^1H NMR spectra, signals arising from the residual protio-forms of the solvent were used as the internal standards. ^1H NMR data are recorded as follows: chemical shift (δ) [multiplicity, coupling constant(s) J (Hz), relative integral] where multiplicity is defined as: s = singlet; d = doublet; t = triplet; q = quartet; m = multiplet; b = broad or combinations of the above. The signal due to residual CHCl_3 appearing at δ_{H} 7.26 and the central resonance of the CDCl_3 “triplet” appearing at δ_{C} 77.0 were used to reference ^1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra, respectively. Low-resolution ESI mass spectra were recorded on a single quadrupole liquid chromatograph-mass spectrometer, while high-resolution measurements were conducted on a time-of-flight instrument. Low- and high-resolution EI mass spectra were recorded on a magnetic-sector machine. Melting points were measured on an automated melting point system and are uncorrected. Analytical thin layer chromatography (TLC) was performed on aluminum-backed 0.2 mm thick silica gel 60 F₂₅₄ plates. Eluted plates were visualized using a 254 nm UV lamp and/or by treatment with a suitable dip followed by heating. These dips included phosphomolybdic acid : ceric sulfate : sulfuric acid (conc.) : water (37.5 g : 7.5 g : 37.5 g : 720 mL) or potassium permanganate : potassium carbonate : 5% sodium hydroxide aqueous solution : water (3 g : 20 g : 5 mL : 300 mL). Flash chromatographic separations were carried out following protocols defined by Still *et al.*¹ with silica gel 60 (40-63 mm) as the stationary phase and using the AR- or HPLC-grade solvents indicated. Tetrahydrofuran (THF), methanol and dichloromethane (DCM) were dried using a Glass Contour solvent purification system that is based upon a technology originally described by Grubbs *et al.*¹ Where necessary, reactions were performed under a nitrogen atmosphere.

Specific Experimental Procedures and Product Characterization

N-Methoxy-*N*-methylcarbamoyl imidazole **7**.

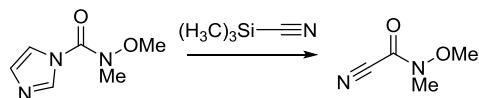


A magnetically stirred solution of *N,O*-dimethylhydroxylamine hydrochloride (20.0 g, 205 mmol), ice (100 g) and NaHCO_3 (100 mL of a saturated aqueous solution) in water (100 mL) in a 1L conical flask was maintained at 0 °C (ice/water) then treated, portionwise over a period of 2 minutes, with *N,N'*-carbonyldiimidazole (43.2 g, 267 mmol). The resultant mixture was maintained at 0 °C for 0.33 h then extracted with DCM (4×50 mL). The combined organic phases were washed with brine (25 mL) then dried (Na_2SO_4), filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo* to give compound **7** (29.6 g, 93%) as a pale yellow oil which was then held under high vacuum (1 mmHg, 18 °C) for 5 h and used without further purification.

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.25 (s, 1H), 7.56 (t, J = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (s, 1H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 3.38 (s, 3H).

Spectra were consistent with those previously reported.²

N-Methoxy-*N*-methylcyanoformamide **4**. Preparation at 0 - 18 °C / 18 hours



This reaction should be carried out in a well maintained and fully functioning fume-hood, wearing appropriate personal protective equipment. Magnetically stirred *N*-methoxy-*N*-methylcarbamoylimidazole **7** (15.5 g, 100 mmol) at 0 °C (ice/water bath) was treated dropwise via a pressure equalising dropping addition funnel, under an atmosphere of nitrogen, with trimethylsilyl cyanide (13.1 mL, 105 mmol **CAUTION!**). The cold bath was removed and replaced with an empty glass evaporating dish and the reaction stirred for 18 h. The solution was then poured onto a mixture of aqueous sodium bicarbonate (50 mL satd. solution) and ice (50 g), stirred for 0.10 h and then extracted with DCM (5 × 20 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine (20 mL), dried (Na₂SO₄) and concentrated by rotary evaporation (415 mmHg, water bath at 35 °C) and then the residue was dissolved in ether (20 mL) and loaded onto a pad of silica (55 g, pre-wetted with ether), in a sintered vacuum funnel (60 mm I.D.) and washed through with ether (~400 mL, monitored by TLC analysis). The ethereal solution was then concentrated by rotary evaporation (415 mmHg, water bath at 35 °C), then held at 10 mmHg at 18 °C for 0.5 h to afford *N*-methoxy-*N*-methylcyanoformamide **4** as a pale yellow, clear, free flowing oil (10.6 g, 93%) and can be used without further purification to undertake the described transformations. A portion of the product (4.36 g) was distilled by short-path (b.p. 81-84 °C, 19 mmHg) to afford **4** (3.61 g, 83%) as a colorless oil (m.p. 8-11 °C). Distillation typically leads to approximately 5% impurity of the symmetrical urea, 1,3-dimethoxy-1,3-dimethylurea.

¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 3.89 (s, 3H), 3.28 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 144.1, 110.0, 63.2, 32.3.

¹H NMR (C₆D₆, 400 MHz) δ 2.92 (s, 3H), 2.38 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (C₆D₆, 100 MHz) δ 144.3, 110.9, 62.4, 31.4.

MS (EI): *m/z* (%) 114 (M⁺, 47%), 99 (9), 88 (18), 84 (68), 83 (19), 71 (19), 60 (77), 57 (31), 54 (100).

HRMS (EI) *m/z* M⁺ calcd for [C₄H₆N₂O₂]⁺: 114.0424; found, 114.0430.

IR (KBr) *v*_{max} 2946, 2238 1687, 1460, 1395, 1199, 987, 710 cm⁻¹.

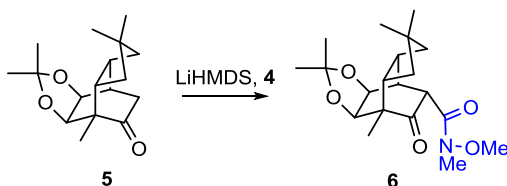
N-Methoxy-*N*-methylcyanoformamide **4**. Preparation at 100 °C / 10 minutes

This reaction should be carried out in a well maintained and fully functioning fume-hood, wearing appropriate personal protective equipment. Magnetically stirred *N*-methoxy-*N*-methyl carbamoyl imidazole **7** (15.5 g, 100 mmol) in a two necked round-bottomed flask (free from any scratches or imperfections) at 0 °C (ice/water bath) fitted with dry ice / acetone condenser, was treated dropwise via a pressure equalising dropping addition funnel, under an atmosphere of nitrogen, with trimethylsilyl cyanide (13.2 mL, 105 mmol **CAUTION!**). The cold bath was removed and replaced with an oil bath and heated to 100 °C and maintained, with stirring at this temperature for 0.2 h. The mixture was cooled to 0 °C and the reaction worked up as above for the preparation at room temperature (10.5 g, 92%).

N-Methoxy-*N*-methyl cyanoforamide **4**. Preparation from *N*-methoxy-*N*-methylcarbamoyl chloride **2**.

Following a procedure analogous to that used by Weber³ for isobutyl cyanofamate: A magnetically stirred solution of *N*-methoxy-*N*-methylcarbamoyl chloride⁴ (9.40 g, 76.1 mmol) in DCM (40 mL) at 0 °C (ice/water bath) under an atmosphere of nitrogen was treated with potassium cyanide (5.45 g, 84.0 mmol, **CAUTION!**) portion-wise over 1 minute followed by 18-crown-6 (100 mg). The reaction was warmed to 18 °C over 48 h and then the mixture was vacuum filtered through a 1 cm pad of sand and concentrated by distillation at atmospheric pressure. The crude oil was then distilled through a 10 cm vigreux (b.p. 81-84 °C, 19 mmHg) to afford **4** (4.77 g, 55%) as a colorless oil.

β -Keto-Weinreb amide **6**



A magnetically stirred solution of ketone **5**⁵ (200 mg, 0.72 mmol) in dry THF (5 mL) was cooled to -78 °C then treated dropwise with LiHMDS [generated from *n*-butyllithium (675 μ L of a 1.6 M solution in hexanes, 1.08 mmol) and hexamethyldisilazane (233 μ L, 1.11 mmol) in THF (10 mL)] . The resulting mixture was maintained at this temperature for 0.5 h then warmed to 0 °C for 0.08 h then re-cooled to -78 °C and treated with **4** (106 mg, 0.94 mmol). After 0.5 h at -78 °C the mixture was treated with NaHCO₃ (5 mL of a saturated aqueous solution) and extracted with DCM (3 \times 10 mL). The combined organic phases were washed with brine (1 \times 5 mL) then dried (MgSO₄), filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was subjected to flash chromatography (silica, 4:1 to 1:1 v/v hexane/ethyl acetate) to afford, after concentration of the appropriate fractions compound **6** (205 mg, 78%) as a colorless oil.

¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 4.81 (dd, J = 7.9, 3.7 Hz, 1H), 4.06 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 3.84 (m, 1H), 3.72 (s, 3H), 3.18 (s, 3H), 2.98 (dddd, J = 11.8, 10.2, 8.5, 2.9 Hz, 1H), 2.63 (td, J = 11.8, 7.9 Hz, 1H), 2.54 (ddd, J = 6.2, 2.2, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 1.60 (ddd, J = 12.6, 8.5, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 1.52 (s, 3H), 1.46 (ddd, J = 12.6, 7.9, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 1.35 (s, 3H), 1.27 – 1.16 (m, 1H), 1.05 (s, 3H), 1.04 (s, 3H), 0.96 (s, 3H), 0.70 (dd, J = 12.6 Hz, 1H)

¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 210.3, 170.0, 109.6, 76.8, 73.3, 61.3, 53.0, 48.1, 43.6, 42.5, 38.1 (2C), 37.5, 31.7, 30.9, 28.6, 27.0, 25.5, 24.0, 15.2.

MS (EI): m/z (%) 365 (M^{+} , 3), 350 (22), 279 (100), 219 (60), 218 (55), 217 (45), 161 (38).

HRMS (EI) m/z M^{+} calcd for [C₂₀H₃₁NO₅]⁺: 365.2197; found, 365.2194;

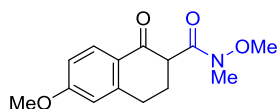
IR (KBr) ν_{\max} 2942, 1733, 1660, 1382, 1208. 1065, 1001, 886.

General procedure for enolisation with LiHMDS and addition of 4:

A magnetically stirred solution of the appropriate ketone or ester (1.0 mmol) in dry THF (5 mL) was cooled to -78 °C then treated with LiHMDS (1.10 mL of a 1 M solution in THF, 1.10 mmol). The resultant mixture was maintained at this temperature for 1 h then treated with cyanoforamide **4** (125 mg, 1.10 mmol). After 15 minutes at -78 °C the reaction was treated with NaHCO₃ (5 mL of a saturated aqueous solution) and extracted with Et₂O (3 \times 5 mL). The combined organic phases were

washed with brine (1 × 5 mL) then dried (MgSO₄), filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was subjected to flash chromatography (silica) to afford, after concentration of the appropriate fractions, the required Weinreb amide.

β-Keto-Weinreb amide 9a



Compound **9a** was prepared from 6-methoxy-1-tetralone according to the general procedure. Purified by flash chromatography (silica, 1:1 hexane/EtOAc) to afford **9a** (227 mg, 86%) as a white solid, mp. 95 – 100 °C.

¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 8.01 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 6.83 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 6.70 (d, *J* = 2.6 Hz, 1H), 4.06 (dd, *J* = 11.4, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 3.29 (s, 3H), 3.06 – 2.97 (m, 2H), 2.51 (m, 1H), 2.24 (m, 1H).

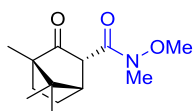
¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 193.1, 171.4, 163.8, 146.4, 130.1, 125.8, 113.3, 112.5, 61.4, 55.4, 50.9, 32.0, 28.7, 26.2.

MS (+LRESI) *m/z* (%) 264 (30) [M+H]⁺, 286 (100) [M+Na]⁺

HRMS (+ESI) *m/z* [M+Na]⁺ calcd for [C₁₄H₁₇NNaO₄]⁺: 286.1050; found, 286.1048;

IR (KBr) *v*_{max} 1667, 1643, 1596, 1423, 1356, 1251, 1237, 987, 814 cm⁻¹.

β-Keto-Weinreb amide 9b



Compound **9b** was prepared from (1*R*)-(+)-camphor according to the general procedure. Purified by flash chromatography (silica, 3:1 hexane/EtOAc) to afford **9b** (208 mg, 87%, *dr* 95:5) as a colorless oil.

¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 3.70 (s, 3H), 3.60 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 3.18 (s, 3H), 2.38 (dd, *J* = 4.4, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 1.84 – 1.75 (complex m, 1H), 1.69 – 1.55 (complex m, 3H), 1.00 (s, 3H), 0.93 (s, 3H), 0.89 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 213.1, 170.7, 61.5, 58.4, 53.7, 47.0, 46.0, 32.0, 29.4, 22.2, 19.6, 18.9, 9.6.

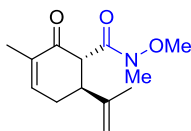
MS (+LRESI) *m/z* (%) 262 (100) [M+Na]⁺, 501 (30) [2M+Na]⁺

HRMS (+ESI) *m/z* [M+Na]⁺ calcd for [C₁₃H₂₁NNaO₃]⁺: 262.1414; found, 262.1411;

IR (KBr) *v*_{max} 2963m 1750, 1656, 1447, 1379, 1176, 1102, 730 cm⁻¹.

[α]_D = + 76.7 (*c* 0.6, CDCl₃)

β-Keto-Weinreb amide 9c



Compound **9c** was prepared from (*S*)-(+)-carvone according to the general procedure. Purified by flash chromatography (silica, 1:1 hexane/EtOAc) to afford **9c** (197 mg, 83%, *dr* >99:1) as a pale yellow oil.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.78 (m, 1H), 4.81 (m, 2H), 4.10 (d, *J* = 12.9 Hz, 1H), 3.72 (s, 3H), 3.32-3.20 (complex m, 4H), 2.51 (dt, *J* = 18.6, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 2.34 (m, 1H), 1.80 (dt, *J* = 2.6, 1.3 Hz, 3H), 1.76 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.0, 170.8, 145.4, 144.6, 135.1, 112.0, 61.4, 54.0, 44.9, 32.0, 31.1, 20.4, 15.8.

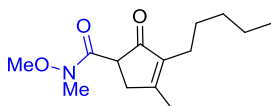
MS (EI) *m/z* (%) = 237 (*M*⁺, 3), 177 (60), 149 (100).

HRMS (EI) *m/z* *M*⁺ calcd for C₁₃H₁₉NO₃: 237.1365. Found: 237.1354.

IR (KBr) ν_{max} 2973, 2923, 1673, 1650, 1380 cm⁻¹.

[α]_D = + 88.9 (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃).

β -Keto-Weinreb amide 9d



Compound **9d** was prepared from dihydrojasnone according to the general procedure. Purified by flash chromatography (silica, 1:1 hexane/EtOAc) to afford **9d** (208 mg, 82%) as a pale yellow oil.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.93 (m, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 3.12 (s, 3H), 2.75 (d, *J* = 18.1 Hz, 1H), 2.53 (dd, *J* = 18.1, 7.0 Hz, 1H), 2.05 (m, 2H), 1.98 (s, 3H), 1.26 (m, 2H), 1.16 (m, 4H), 0.75 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H).

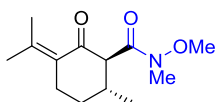
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 204.0, 170.7, 170.4, 139.0, 139.0, 61.8, 47.5, 32.1, 31.6, 27.8, 23.2, 22.4, 17.1, 13.9.

MS (EI): *m/z* (%) = 253 (*M*⁺, 42), 193 (100), 149 (100).

HRMS (EI) *m/z* *M*⁺ calcd for C₁₄H₂₃NO₃: 253.1672. Found: 253.1671.

IR (KBr) ν_{max} 2951, 2930, 2856, 1700, 1659, 1640, 1383 cm⁻¹.

β -Keto-Weinreb amide 9e



Compound **9e** was prepared from (*R*)-(+)-pulegone according to double the scale of the general procedure. Purified by flash chromatography (silica, 4:1 hexane/EtOAc) to afford **9e** (42 mg, 93%, *dr* 95:5) as a colorless oil.

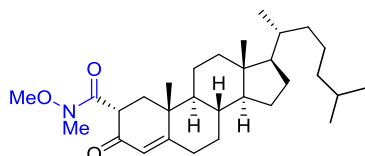
¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz) δ 3.70 (s, 3H), 3.52 (d, *J* = 10.5 Hz, 1H), 3.27 (s, 3H), 2.72 (dt, *J* = 15.6, 4.1 Hz, 1H), 2.48 – 2.38 (m, 1H), 2.33 (m, 1H), 1.99 (d, *J* = 1.4 Hz, 3H), 1.94 (ddt, *J* = 13.2, 4.6, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 1.80 (s, 3H), 1.42 (qd, *J* = 12.6, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 0.99 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 199.6, 171.5, 144.0, 130.9, 61.5, 61.3, 33.9, 31.9, 31.7, 28.3, 23.1, 22.3, 20.8.

IR (KBr) ν_{\max} 2929, 1651, 1444, 1380, 1290, 1170, 974, 765 cm⁻¹.

[α]_D = – 16.38 (*c* 1.7, CDCl₃)

β -Keto-Weinreb amide 9f



Compound **9f** was prepared from (+)-4-cholesten-3-one according to the general procedure. Purified by flash chromatography (silica, 1:10 hexane/EtOAc) to afford **9f** (400 mg, 85%, *dr* 97:3) as a white solid, mp. 147 – 149 °C.

¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 5.74 (d, *J* = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 4.00 (dd, *J* = 13.6, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 3.26 (s, 3H), 2.36 (m, 1H), 2.27 (ddd, *J* = 14.6, 4.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 2.16 (dd, *J* = 13.9, 13.9 Hz, 1H), 2.06 – 1.96 (complex m, 2H), 1.89 – 1.76 (complex m, 2H), 1.63 – 1.43 (complex m, 4H), 1.43 – 1.19 (complex m, 5H), 1.22 (s, 3H), 1.18 – 0.94 (m, 10H), 0.89 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 3H), 0.85 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H), 0.85 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H), 0.69 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 194.9, 171.4, 171.2, 123.1, 61.4, 55.9, 55.7, 53.9, 45.9, 42.3, 39.5, 39.4, 38.7, 38.5, 36.1, 35.7, 35.5, 32.7, 32.0, 31.9, 28.1, 28.0, 24.1, 23.7, 22.8, 22.5, 20.8, 18.6, 17.7, 11.9.

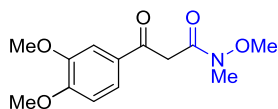
MS (+LRESI) *m/z* (%) 472 (100) [M+H]⁺, 494 (50) [M+Na]⁺.

HRMS (+ESI) *m/z* [M+Na]⁺ calcd for [C₃₀H₄₉NNaO₃]⁺: 494.3605; found, 494.3604.

IR (KBr) ν_{\max} 2934, 2866, 1668, 1651, 1451, 1384, 1173, 966 cm⁻¹.

[α]_D = + 94.5 (*c* 1.0, CDCl₃)

β -Keto-Weinreb amide 9g



Compound **9g** was prepared from 3',4'-dimethoxyacetophenone according to double the scale of the general procedure. Purified by flash chromatography (silica, 5:1 hexane/EtOAc) to afford **9g** (356 mg, 67%) as an 87:13 mixture of keto and enol tautomers as a cream solid, mp. 60 – 65 °C.

¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz) *Keto tautomer* δ 7.60 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.90 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 4.09 (s, 2H), 3.95 (s, 3H), 3.93 (s, 3H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 3.24 (s, 3H).

¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz) *Enol tautomer* δ 7.42 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 6.89 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 6.00 (s, 1H), 3.94 (s, 3H), 3.93 (s, 3H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 3.27 (s, 3H).

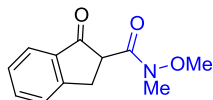
¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 MHz) *87:13 Mixture of keto and enol tautomers* δ 191.8, 172.8, 171.4, 168.6, 153.6, 151.3, 149.0, 148.7, 129.5, 123.3, 119.3, 110.6, 110.3, 110.0, 109.0, 83.0, 61.2, 60.2, 55.9, 55.9, 55.8, 44.0, 32.1.

MS (+LRESI) m/z (%) 290 (100) [M+Na]⁺.

HRMS (+ESI) m/z [M+Na]⁺ calcd for [C₁₃H₁₇NNaO₅]⁺: 290.0933; found, 290.0999.

IR (KBr) ν_{\max} 2972, 1667, 1634, 1584, 1512, 1417, 1321, 1268, 1152, 1025, 1008, 884, 796 cm⁻¹.

β -Keto-Weinreb amide 9h



Compound **9h** was prepared from 1-indanone according to the general procedure. Purified by flash chromatography (silica, 2:1 hexane/EtOAc) to afford **9h** (182 mg, 83%) as a pale yellow oil.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.74 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.60 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.29 (m, 1H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.45 (m, 1H), 3.33 (m, 1H), 3.27 (s, 3H).

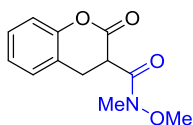
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 201.4, 170.2, 154.1, 135.5, 135.0, 127.4, 126.4, 124.2, 61.6, 50.1, 32.2, 30.6.

MS (EI): m/z (%) = 219 (M⁺, 33), 159 (100), 131 (80).

HRMS (EI) m/z M⁺ calcd for C₁₂H₁₃NO₃: 219.0890. Found: 219.0895.

IR (KBr) ν_{\max} 2973, 2935, 1713, 1649 cm⁻¹.

β -Carbonyl-Weinreb amide 9i



Compound **9i** was prepared from 3,4-dihydrocoumarin according to the general procedure. Purified by flash chromatography (silica, 2:1 hexane/EtOAc) to afford **9i** (204 mg, 87%) as a pale yellow oil.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.28-7.19 (complex m, 2H), 7.10 (m, 1H), 7.04 (m, 1H), 4.18 (dd, J = 12.9, 6.3 Hz, 1H), 3.72 (s, 3H), 3.27 (s, 3H), 3.49 (dd, J = 16.1, 12.9 Hz, 1H), 2.96 (dd, J = 16.1, 6.3 Hz, 1H).

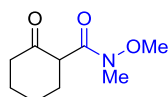
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.6, 165.6, 151.2, 128.3, 128.0, 124.6, 121.7, 116.5, 61.5, 42.2, 32.1, 26.7.

MS (EI): m/z (%) = 235 (M⁺, 20), 175 (39), 147 (100).

HRMS (EI) m/z M⁺ calcd for C₁₂H₁₃NO₄: 235.0839. Found: 235.0846.

IR (KBr) ν_{\max} 2976, 2943, 1760, 1659, 1138 cm⁻¹.

β -Keto-Weinreb amide 9j



Compound **9j** was prepared from cyclohexanone according to the general procedure. Purified by flash chromatography (silica, 4:1 hexane/EtOAc) to afford **9j** (140 mg, 76%) as a pale yellow oil.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.79 (m, 1H), 3.64 (s, 3H), 3.23 (s, 3H), 2.53 (m, 1H), 2.37 (m, 1H), 2.24-1.92 (complex m, 4H), 1.88-1.62 (complex m, 2H).

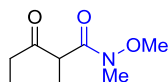
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 207.0, 170.8, 61.2, 53.7, 41.9, 32.0, 29.7, 27.2, 23.7.

MS (EI): m/z (%) = 185 (M⁺, 20), 125 (100).

HRMS (EI) m/z M⁺ calcd for C₉H₁₅NO₃: 185.1046. Found: 185.1055.

IR (KBr) ν_{\max} 2939, 2865, 1711, 1653, 1385 cm⁻¹.

β -Keto-Weinreb amide 9k



Compound **9k** was prepared according to the general procedure. Purified by flash chromatography (silica, 4:1 hexane/EtOAc) to afford **9k** (130 mg, 77%) as a pale yellow oil.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.75 (m, 1H), 3.66 (s, 3H), 3.20 (s, 3H), 2.50 (m, 2H), 1.33 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 1.05 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H).

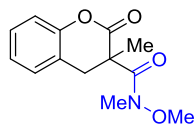
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 207.1, 171.9, 61.1, 49.8, 33.6, 32.4, 13.1, 7.5.

MS (EI): m/z (%) = 173 (M⁺, 3), 113 (42).

HRMS (EI) m/z M⁺ calcd for C₈H₁₅NO₃: 173.1046. Found: 173.1048.

IR (KBr) ν_{\max} 2980, 2941, 1719, 1661, 1460, 1381 cm⁻¹.

β -Keto-Weinreb amide 9l



A magnetically stirred solution of 3-methylchroman-2-one (168 mg, 1.0 mmol) in dry THF (5 mL) was cooled to 0 °C then treated with LiHMDS (1.1 mL of a 1 M solution in THF, 1.1 mmol). The resulting mixture was maintained at this temperature for 0.5 h then cooled to -78 °C and treated with cyanoformamide **4** (125 mg, 1.1 mmol). After 0.1 h at -78 °C the mixture was warmed to -40 °C and maintained at this temperature for 0.5 h before being treated with NaHCO₃ (5 mL of a saturated aqueous solution) and extracted with diethyl ether (3 \times 10 mL). The combined organic phases were washed with brine (1 \times 5 mL) then dried (MgSO₄), filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was subjected to flash chromatography (silica, 4:1 v/v hexane/ethyl acetate)

to afford, after concentration of the appropriate fractions compound **9l** (230 mg, 92%) as a pale yellow oil.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.23 (m, 1H), 7.18 (m, 1H), 7.08 (m, 1H), 7.03 (m, 1H), 3.64 (s, 3H), 3.56 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 3.12 (s, 3H), 2.78 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 1.56 (m, 3H).

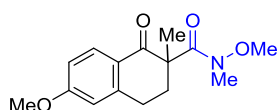
¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.6, 168.9, 151.1, 128.4, 128.2, 124.5, 121.4, 116.2, 60.4, 47.9, 35.0, 33.0, 21.6.

MS (EI): m/z (%) = 249 (M^+ , 20), 234 (39), 161 (100).

HRMS (EI) m/z M^{++} calcd for C₁₃H₁₅NO₄: 249.1001. Found: 249.1003.

IR (KBr) ν_{\max} 2985, 2939, 1759, 1655, 1457, 1231 cm⁻¹.

*β -Keto-Weinreb amide **9m***



A magnetically stirred solution of 6-methoxy-2-methyl-1-tetralone (190 mg, 1.00 mmol) in dry ether (3 mL) was cooled to -78 °C then treated dropwise with lithium diisopropylamide (1.29 mL, 1.05 mmol, 0.81 M solution in ether [generated from *n*-butyllithium (7.00 mL of a 1.5 M solution in hexanes) and diisopropylamine (1.60 mL, 11.5 mmol) in ether (4.3 mL)]). The resulting mixture was maintained at this temperature for 1 h then warmed to 0 °C for 0.25 h then recooled to -78 °C and treated with **4** (125 mg, 1.10 mmol) followed by hexamethylphosphoramide (HMPA) (179 μ L, 1.00 mmol). After 0.5 h at -78 °C the mixture was treated with NaHCO₃ (5 mL of a saturated aqueous solution) and extracted with DCM (3 \times 10 mL). The combined organic phases were washed with lithium chloride (10 mL, 5% w/v), brine (1 \times 5 mL) then dried (MgSO₄), filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was subjected to flash chromatography (silica, 4:1 v/v hexane/ethyl acetate) to afford, after concentration of the appropriate fractions compound **9m** (174 mg, 63%) as white crystals, m.p. 89 – 92 °C. The reaction was carried out in duplicate with 1,3-dimethyl-3,4,5,6-tetrahydro-2(1*H*)-pyrimidinone (DMPU) (250 μ L) in place of HMPA to afford **9m** (173 mg, 63%) as white crystals, m.p. 89 – 92 °C.

¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 7.96 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 6.79 (dd, J = 8.7, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 6.64 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.29 (s, 3H), 3.12 (s, 3H), 2.96 (ddd, J = 16.6, 11.6, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 2.81 (ddd, J = 16.6, 4.6, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 2.54 (ddd, J = 13.0, 11.6, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 1.81 (dt, J = 13.0, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 1.41 (s, 3H).

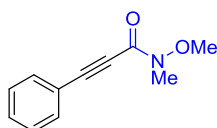
¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 194.3, 174.3, 163.3, 144.8, 129.8, 125.1, 113.3, 112.2, 59.0, 55.3, 52.7, 32.7, 31.9, 25.7, 20.1.

MS (EI): m/z (%) 277 (M^+ , 8), 217 (9), 189 (30), 161 (100), 91 (10).

HRMS (EI) m/z M^{++} calcd for [C₁₅H₁₉NO₄]⁺⁺: 277.1309; found, 277.1316;

IR (KBr) ν_{\max} 1653, 1598, 1457, 1374, 1346, 1262, 1230, 1093, 999, 858 cm⁻¹.

Weinreb amide 10a – Prepared from lithium phenyl acetylide

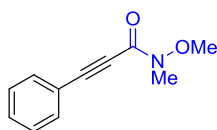


A magnetically stirred solution of phenyl acetylene (102 mg, 1.0 mmol) in dry THF (5 mL) was cooled to $-78\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ then treated with LiHMDS (1.1 mL of a 1M solution in THF, 1.1 mmol). The resulting mixture was maintained at this temperature for 20 minutes then treated with cyanoformamide 4 (125 mg, 1.1 mmol). The resulting mixture was maintained at $-78\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ for 15 minutes then treated with NaHCO_3 (5 mL of a saturated aqueous solution) and extracted with diethyl ether ($3 \times 10\text{ mL}$). The combined organic phases were washed with brine ($1 \times 5\text{ mL}$) then dried (MgSO_4), filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was subjected to flash chromatography (silica, 4:1 v/v hexane/ethyl acetate) to afford, after concentration of the appropriate fractions compound **10a** (174 mg, 92%) as a pale yellow oil.

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.56 (d, $J = 7.1\text{ Hz}$, 2H), 7.43 (m, 1H), 7.37 (m, 2H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 3.29 (br m, 3H).

All spectra were consistent with those previously reported.⁶

Weinreb amide 10a – Prepared from magnesium phenyl acetylide

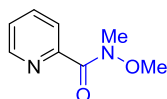


A magnetically stirred solution of phenyl acetylene (102 mg, 1.0 mmol) in dry THF (5 mL) was cooled to $0\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ then treated with MeMgBr (0.33 mL of a 3M solution in Et_2O , 1.1 mmol). The resulting mixture was maintained at this temperature for 1 h then treated with cyanoformamide 4 (125 mg, 1.1 mmol). After 0.25 h at $0\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ the reaction was treated with NaHCO_3 (5 mL of a saturated aqueous solution) and extracted with diethyl ether ($3 \times 10\text{ mL}$). The combined organic phases were washed with brine ($1 \times 5\text{ mL}$) then dried (MgSO_4), filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was subjected to flash chromatography (silica, 4:1 v/v hexane/ethyl acetate) to afford, after concentration of the appropriate fractions compound **10a** (144 mg, 76%) as a pale yellow oil.

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.56 (d, $J = 7.1\text{ Hz}$, 2H), 7.43 (m, 1H), 7.37 (m, 2H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 3.29 (br m, 3H).

All spectra were consistent with those previously reported.⁶

Weinreb amide **10b**

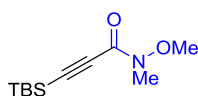


A magnetically stirred solution of 2-bromopyridine (158 mg, 1.0 mmol) in dry THF (5 mL) was cooled to $-78\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ then treated with *n*-butyllithium (0.8 mL of a 1.45 M solution in hexanes, 1.1 mmol). The resulting solution was stirred at $-78\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ for 1 hour then treated with cyanoformamide **4** (125 mg, 1.1 mmol) and warmed to $0\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ over 20 minutes. The reaction was treated with NaHCO_3 (5 mL of a saturated aqueous solution) and extracted with diethyl ether ($3 \times 10\text{ mL}$). The combined organic phases were washed with brine ($1 \times 5\text{ mL}$) then dried (MgSO_4), filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was subjected to flash chromatography (silica, 1:1 v/v hexane/ethyl acetate) to afford, after concentration of the appropriate fractions compound **10b** (125 mg, 75%) as a pale yellow oil.

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.61 (d, $J = 4.8\text{ Hz}$, 1H), 7.78 (td, $J = 7.7, 1.7\text{ Hz}$, 1H), 7.66 (broad s, 1H), 7.35 (dd, $J = 7.7, 4.8\text{ Hz}$, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 3.40 (s, 3H).

All spectra were consistent with those previously reported.⁷

Weinreb amide **10c**



A magnetically stirred solution of tert-butyl(ethynyl)dimethylsilane (228 mg, 2.0 mmol) in dry THF (8 mL) was cooled to $-78\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ then treated with *n*-Butyl lithium (1.0 mL of a 2.05 M solution in hexanes, 2.05 mmol). The resulting mixture was maintained at this temperature for 0.25 h then treated with cyanoformamide **4** (228 mg, 2.0 mmol). The resulting mixture was maintained at $-78\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ for 0.1 h then treated with NaHCO_3 (5 mL of a saturated aqueous solution) and extracted with diethyl ether ($3 \times 5\text{ mL}$). The combined organic phases were washed with brine ($1 \times 5\text{ mL}$) then dried (MgSO_4), filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was subjected to flash chromatography (silica, 4:1 v/v hexane/ethyl acetate) to afford, after concentration of the appropriate fractions compound **10c** (399 mg, 88%) as a colorless oil.

^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz) δ 3.77 (s, 3H), 3.23 (s, 3H), 0.98 (s, 9H), 0.19 (s, 6H).

^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 MHz) δ 153.7, 109.9, 95.8, 62.0, 32.2, 25.9 (3C), 16.4, -5.3 (2C).

MS (+LRESI) m/z (%) 228 (100) $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$.

HRMS (+ESI) m/z $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ calcd for $[\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{21}\text{NNaO}_2\text{Si}]^+$: 250.1234; found, 250.1236.

IR (KBr) ν_{max} 2955, 2932, 1647, 1472, 1463, 1410, 1381, 1252, 1118, 1007, 940, 842, 828, 779, 724 cm^{-1} .

Weinreb amide **10d**

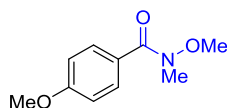


A magnetically stirred solution of cyanoformamide **4** (125 mg, 1.1 mmol) in dry THF (5 mL) at 0 °C was treated, dropwise, with a solution of phenylmagnesium bromide (1.0 mL of a 1M solution in THF, 1.0 mmol). The resulting mixture was maintained at this temperature for 15 minutes then treated with NaHCO₃ (5 mL of a saturated aqueous solution) and extracted with diethyl ether (3 × 10 mL). The combined organic phases were washed with brine (1 × 5 mL) then dried (MgSO₄), filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was subjected to flash chromatography (silica, 4:1 v/v hexane/ethyl acetate) to afford, after concentration of the appropriate fractions compound **10d** (152 mg, 92%) as a pale yellow oil.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.67 (m, 2H), 7.41 (m, 3H), 3.55 (s, 3H), 3.36 (s, 3H).

All spectra were consistent with those previously reported.⁸

Weinreb amide **10e**

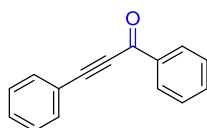


A magnetically stirred solution of 4-bromoanisole (0.126 mL, 1.0 mmol), magnesium turnings (26 mg, 1.0 mmol) and a crystal of iodine in dry THF (5 mL) was heated at 50 °C for 30 minutes. The resulting suspension was cooled to 0 °C and treated with cyanoformamide **4** (125 mg, 1.1 mmol). After 15 minutes at this temperature the mixture was treated with NaHCO₃ (5 mL of a saturated aqueous solution) and extracted with diethyl ether (3 × 10 mL). The combined organic phases were washed with brine (1 × 5 mL) then dried (MgSO₄), filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was subjected to flash chromatography (silica, 4:1 v/v hexane/ethyl acetate) to afford, after concentration of the appropriate fractions compound **10e** (171 mg, 88%) as a pale yellow oil.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.73 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.90 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 3.56 (s, 3H), 3.35 (s, 3H).

All spectra were consistent with those previously reported.⁸⁸

Ketone **10f**



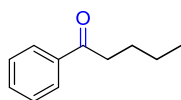
A magnetically stirred solution of phenyl acetylene (102 mg, 1.0 mmol) in dry THF (5 mL) was cooled to -78 °C then treated with LiHMDS (1.1 mL of a 1M solution in THF, 1.1 mmol). The

resulting mixture was maintained at this temperature for 0.33 h then treated with cyanoformamide 4 (125 mg, 1.1 mmol). The resulting mixture was maintained at $-78\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ for 15 minutes then warmed to $0\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ and treated with PhMgBr (1.5 mL of a 1M solution in THF, 1.5 mmol). The resulting mixture was maintained at this temperature for 30 minutes then treated with NaHCO_3 (5 mL of a saturated aqueous solution) and extracted with diethyl ether ($3 \times 10\text{ mL}$). The combined organic phases were washed with brine ($1 \times 5\text{ mL}$) then dried (MgSO_4), filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was subjected to flash chromatography (silica, 4:1 v/v hexane/ethyl acetate) to afford, after concentration of the appropriate fractions compound **10f** (184 mg, 89%) as a pale yellow oil.

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.24 (m, 2H), 7.70 (m, 2H), 7.64 (m, 1H), 7.56 – 7.47 (complex m, 3H), 7.43 (m, 2H).

All spectra were consistent with those previously reported.⁹

Ketone **10g**

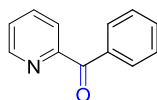


A magnetically stirred solution of cyanoformamide 4 (125 mg, 1.1 mmol) in dry THF (5 mL) at $0\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ was treated, dropwise, with a solution of phenylmagnesium bromide (1.0 mL of a 1M solution in THF, 1.0 mmol). The resulting mixture was maintained at this temperature for 0.25 h then cooled to $-78\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ and treated with *n*-butyllithium (1 mL of a 1.5 M solution in hexanes, 1.5 mmol). The reaction was maintained at this temperature for 20 minutes then treated with NaHCO_3 (5 mL of a saturated aqueous solution) and extracted with diethyl ether ($3 \times 10\text{ mL}$). The combined organic phases were washed with brine ($1 \times 5\text{ mL}$) then dried (MgSO_4), filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was subjected to flash chromatography (silica, 4:1 v/v hexane/ethyl acetate) to afford, after concentration of the appropriate fractions compound **10g** (140 mg, 86%) as a pale yellow oil.

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.96 (m, 2H), 7.55 (m, 1H), 7.46 (m, 2H), 2.97 (dd, $J = 7.4\text{ Hz}$, 2H), 1.73 (m, 2H), 1.42 (m, 2H), 0.96 (t, $J = 7.4\text{ Hz}$, 3H).

All spectra were consistent with those previously reported.¹⁰

Ketone **10h**



A magnetically stirred solution of 2-bromopyridine (158 mg, 1.0 mmol) in dry THF (5 mL) was cooled to $-78\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ then treated with *n*-butyllithium (0.8 mL of a 1.45 M solution in hexanes, 1.1 mmol). The resulting solution was stirred at $-78\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ for 1 h then treated with cyanoformamide 4 (125 mg, 1.1 mmol) and warmed to $0\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ over 0.33 h then treated with PhMgBr (1.5 mL of a 1M solution in THF, 1.5 mmol). The reaction was maintained at this temperature for 20 minutes then treated with NaHCO_3

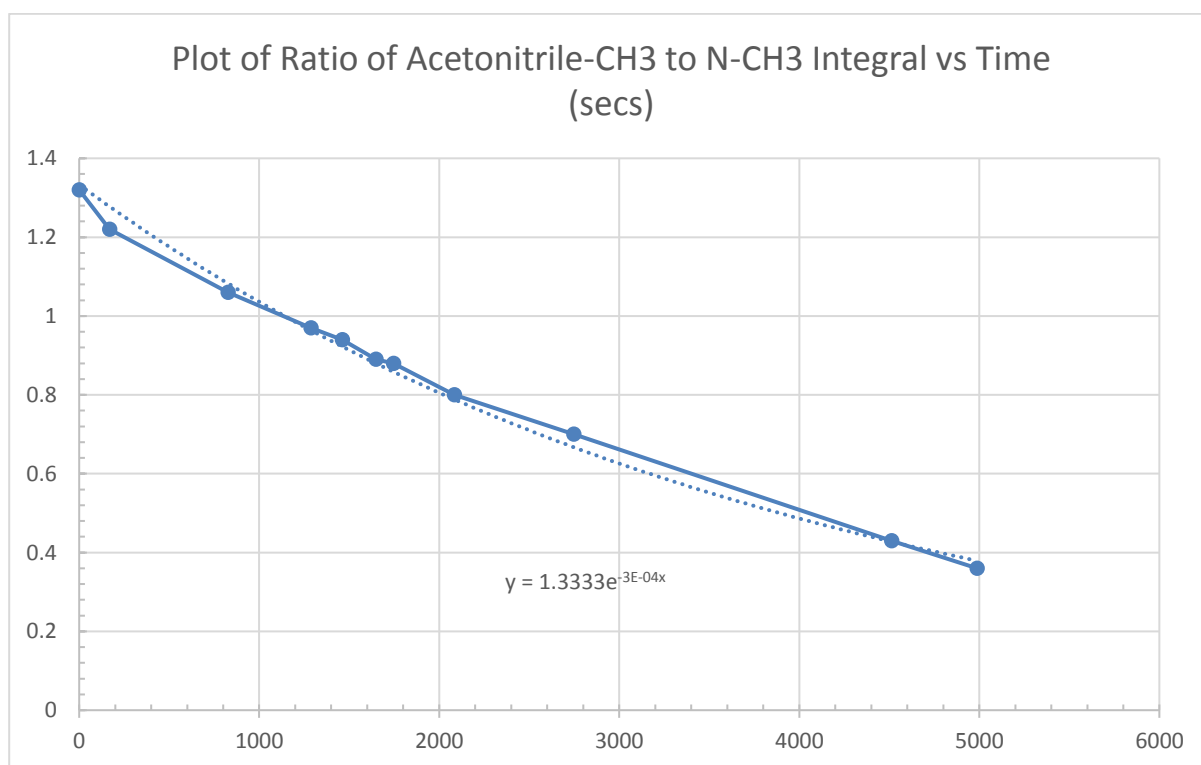
(5 mL of a saturated aqueous solution) and extracted with diethyl ether (3×10 mL). The combined organic phases were washed with brine (1×5 mL) then dried (MgSO_4), filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was subjected to flash chromatography (silica, 4:1 v/v hexane/ethyl acetate) to afford, after concentration of the appropriate fractions compound **10h** (159 mg, 86%) as a pale yellow oil.

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.73 (dt, $J = 4.8, 1.3$ Hz, 1H), 8.06 (m, 3H), 7.91 (td, $J = 7.7, 1.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.60 (m, 1H), 7.49 (m, 3H).

All spectra were consistent with those previously reported.¹¹

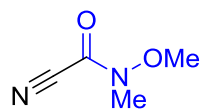
Half-life determination experiment.

An NMR tube was charged with cyanoformamide **4** (5 μL), acetonitrile (2 μL) and D_2O (0.5 mL) and shaken vigorously for 30 seconds. The ^1H NMR spectrum was recorded at regular intervals and the ratio of the NCH_3 to CH_3CN integral was recorded. The $t_{1/2}$ was calculated to be 2344 minutes (39 h).

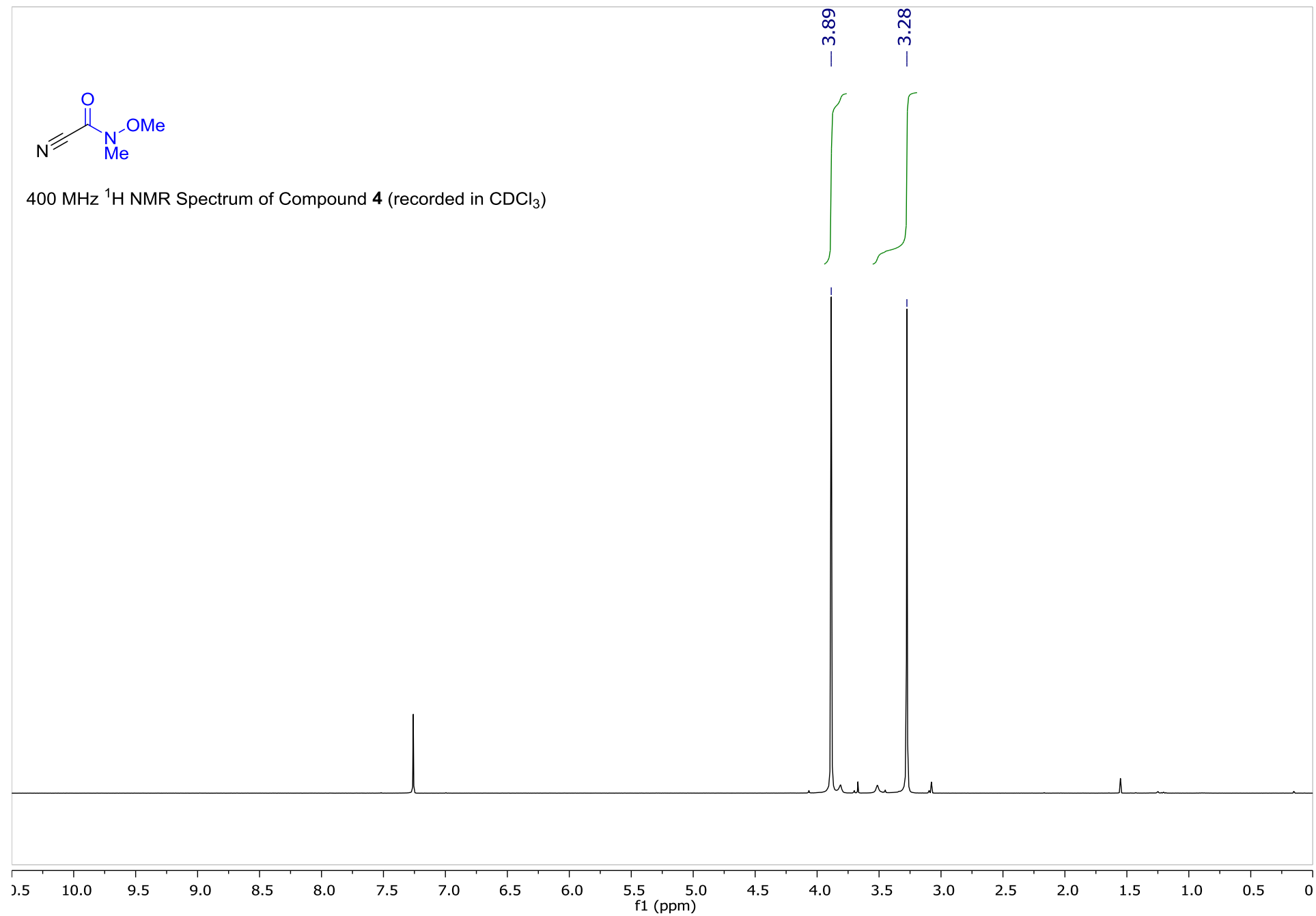


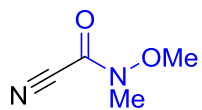
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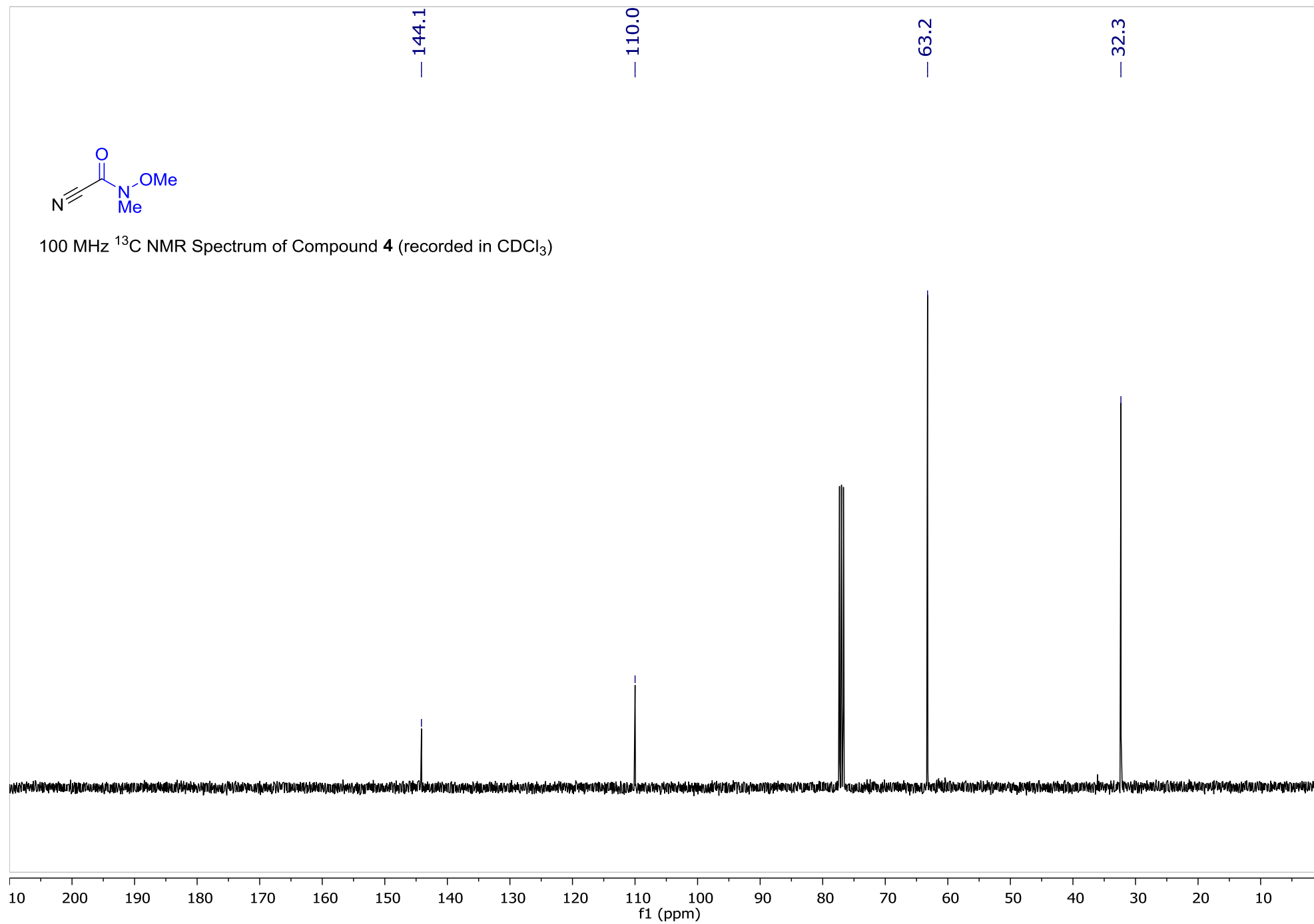


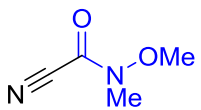
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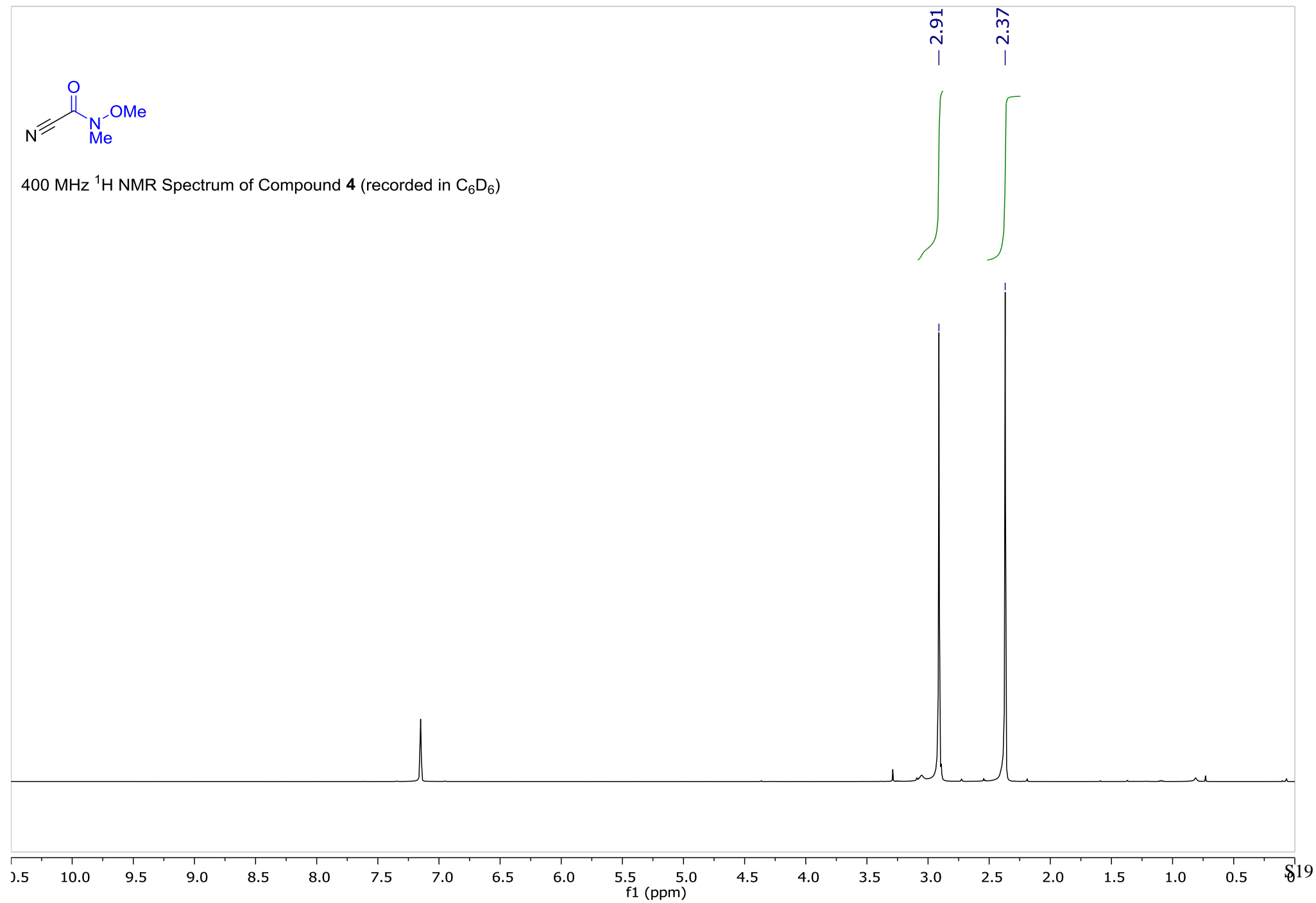


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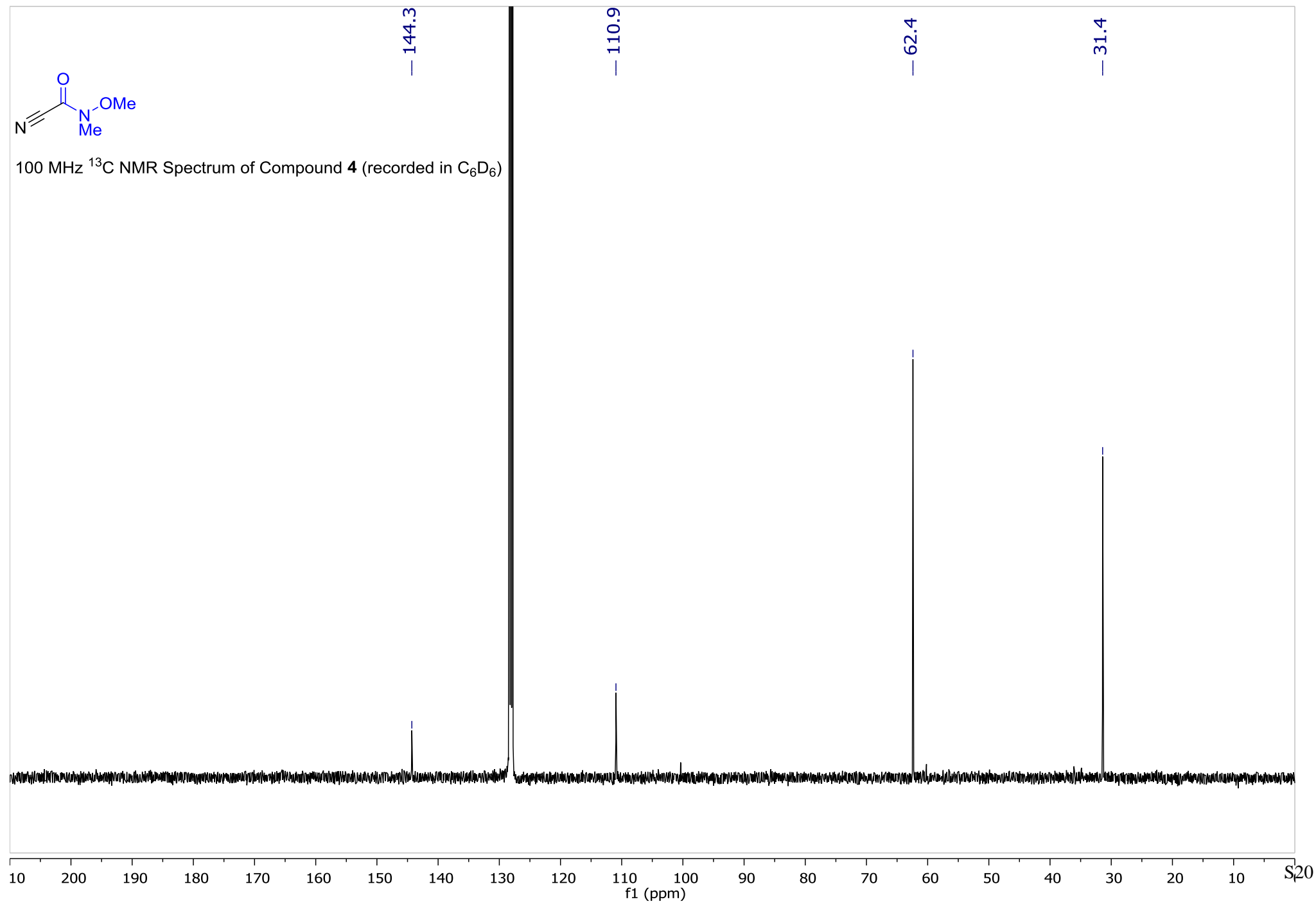


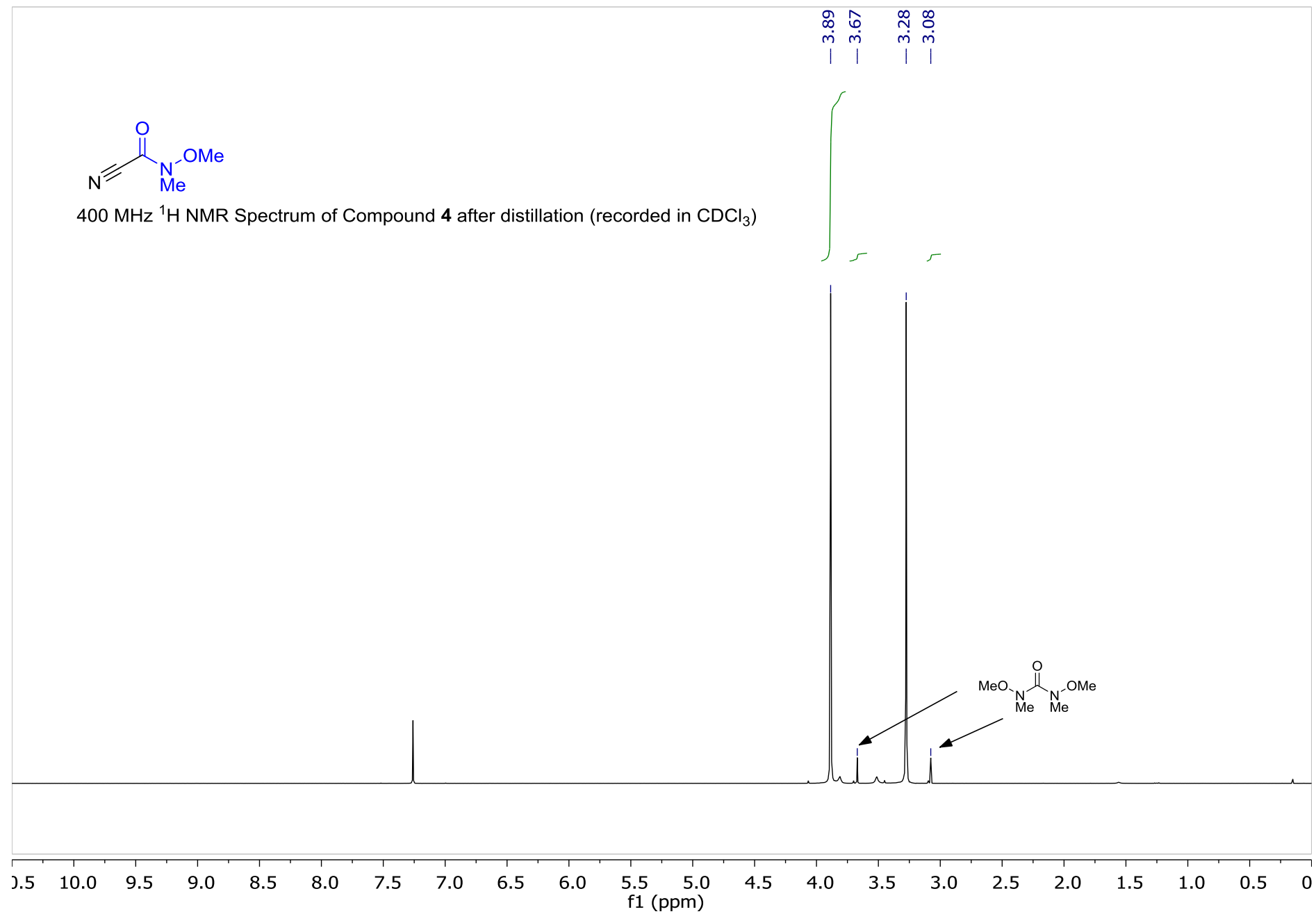
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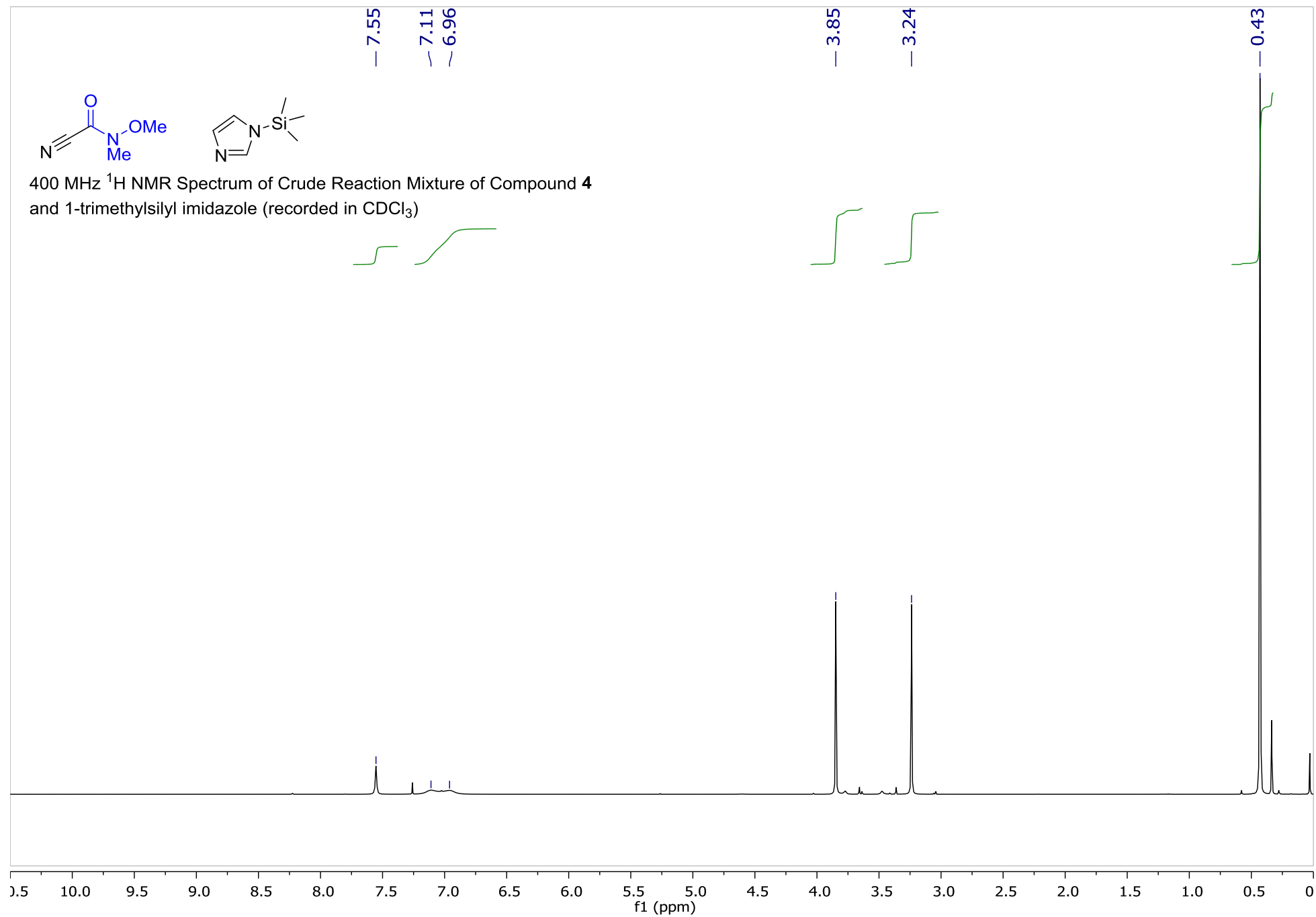


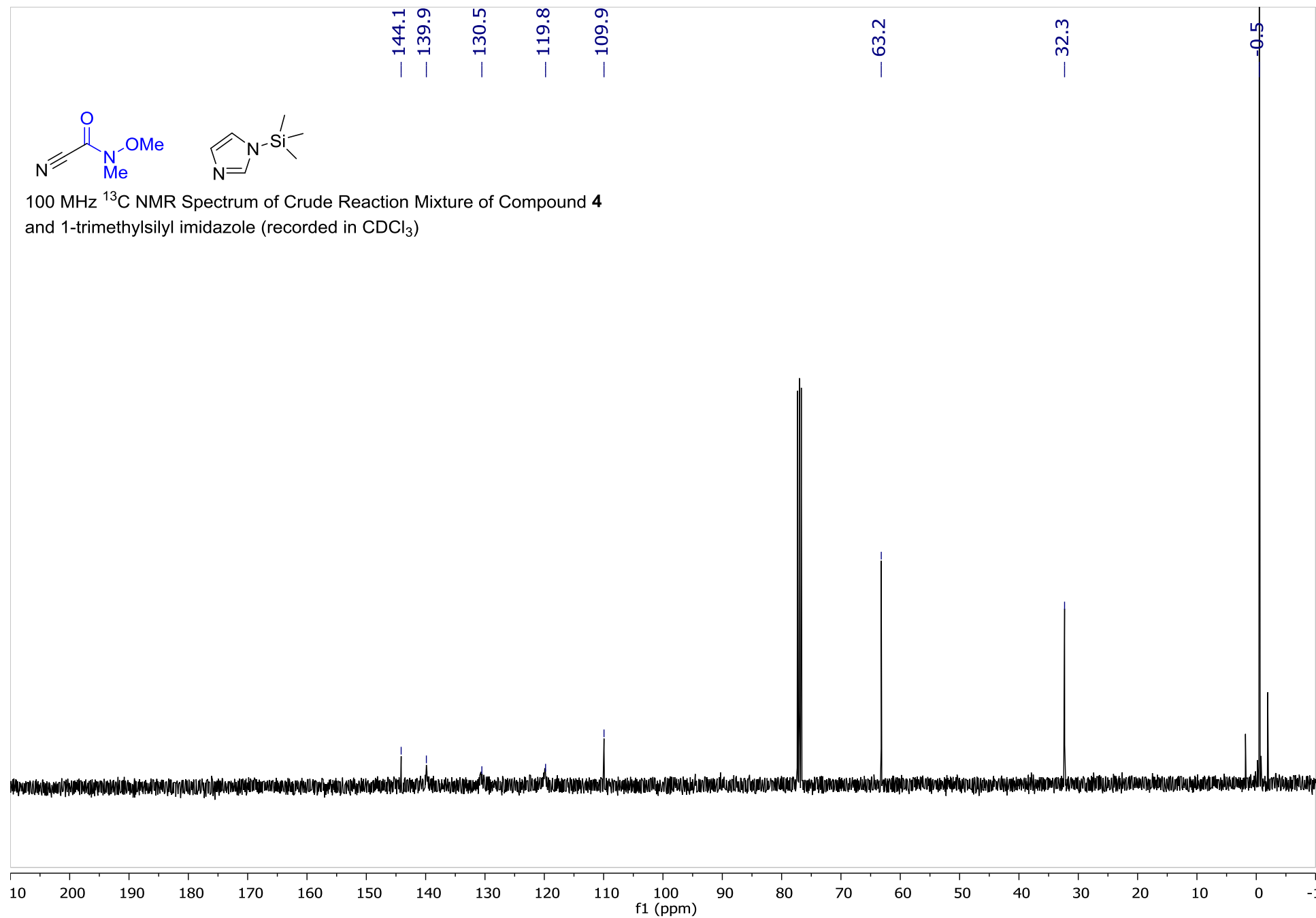


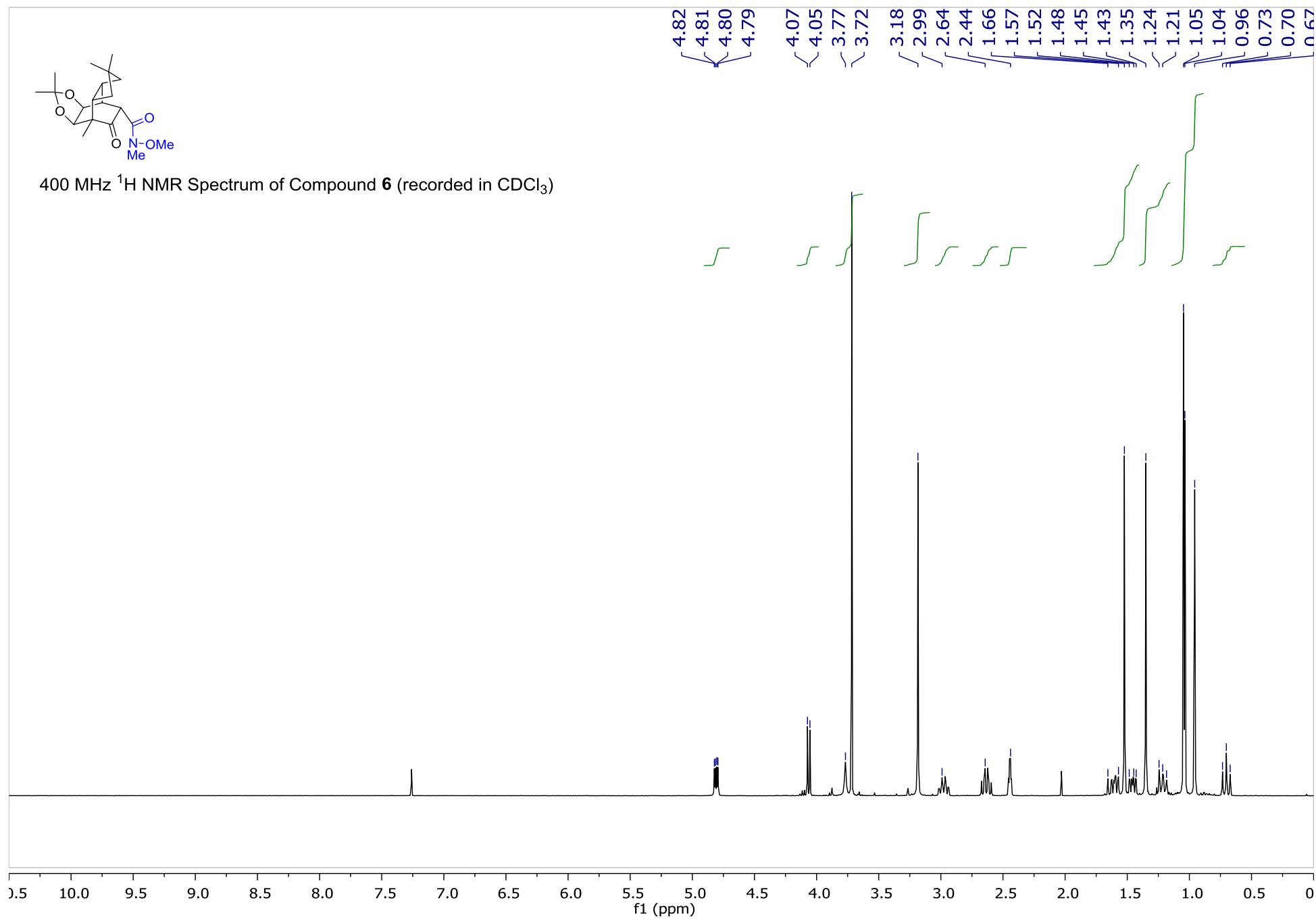
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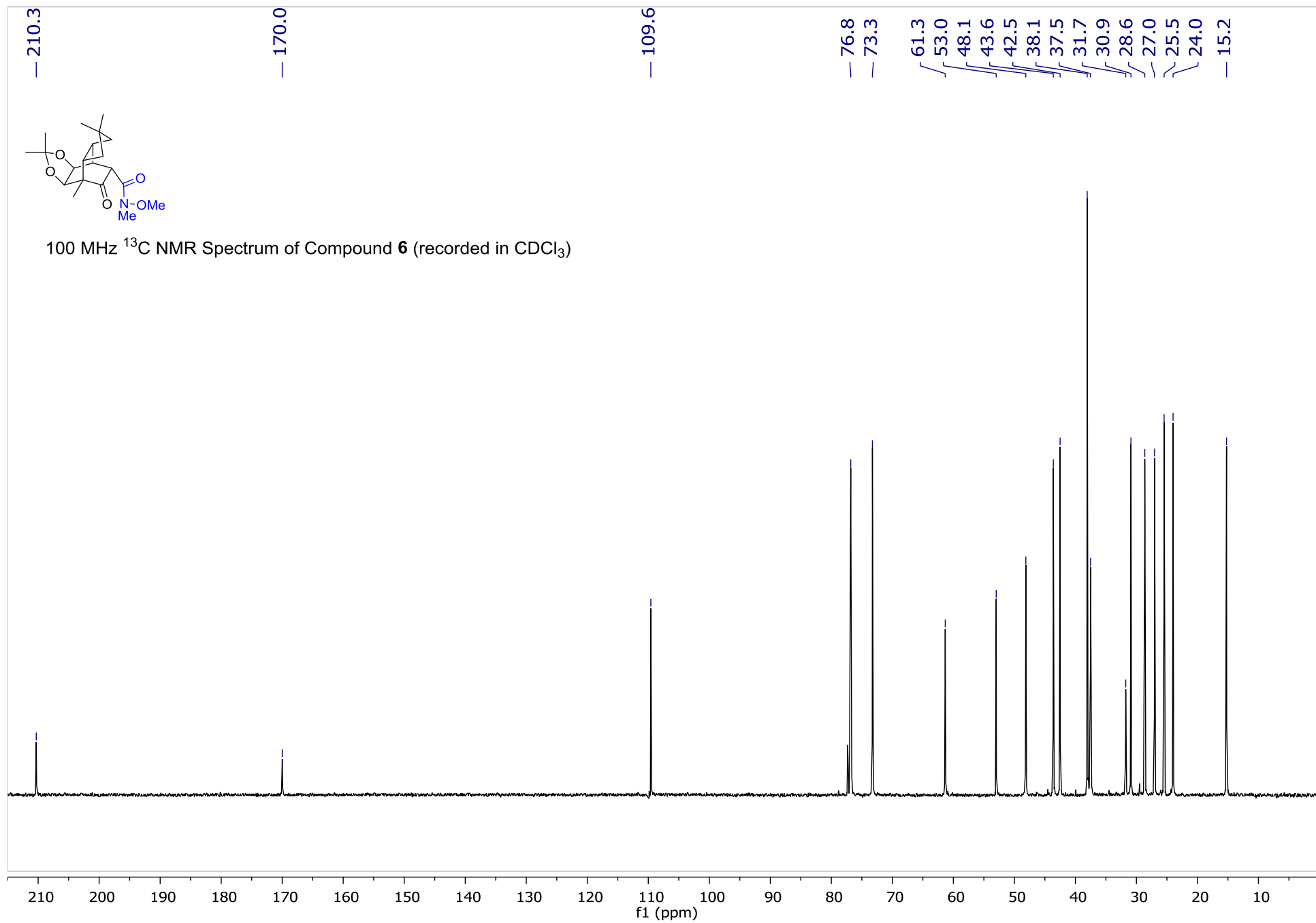


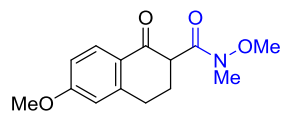




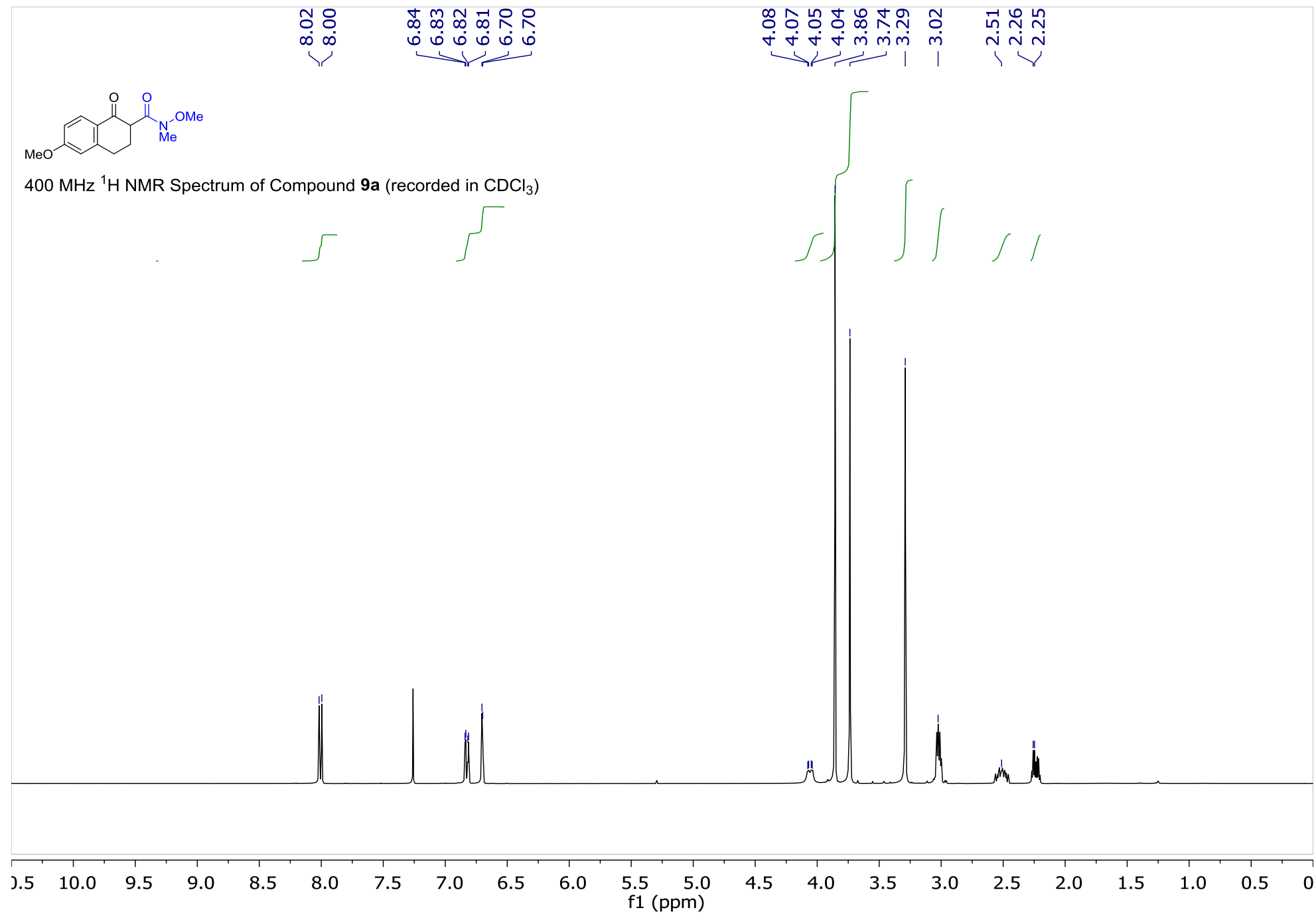


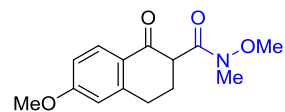




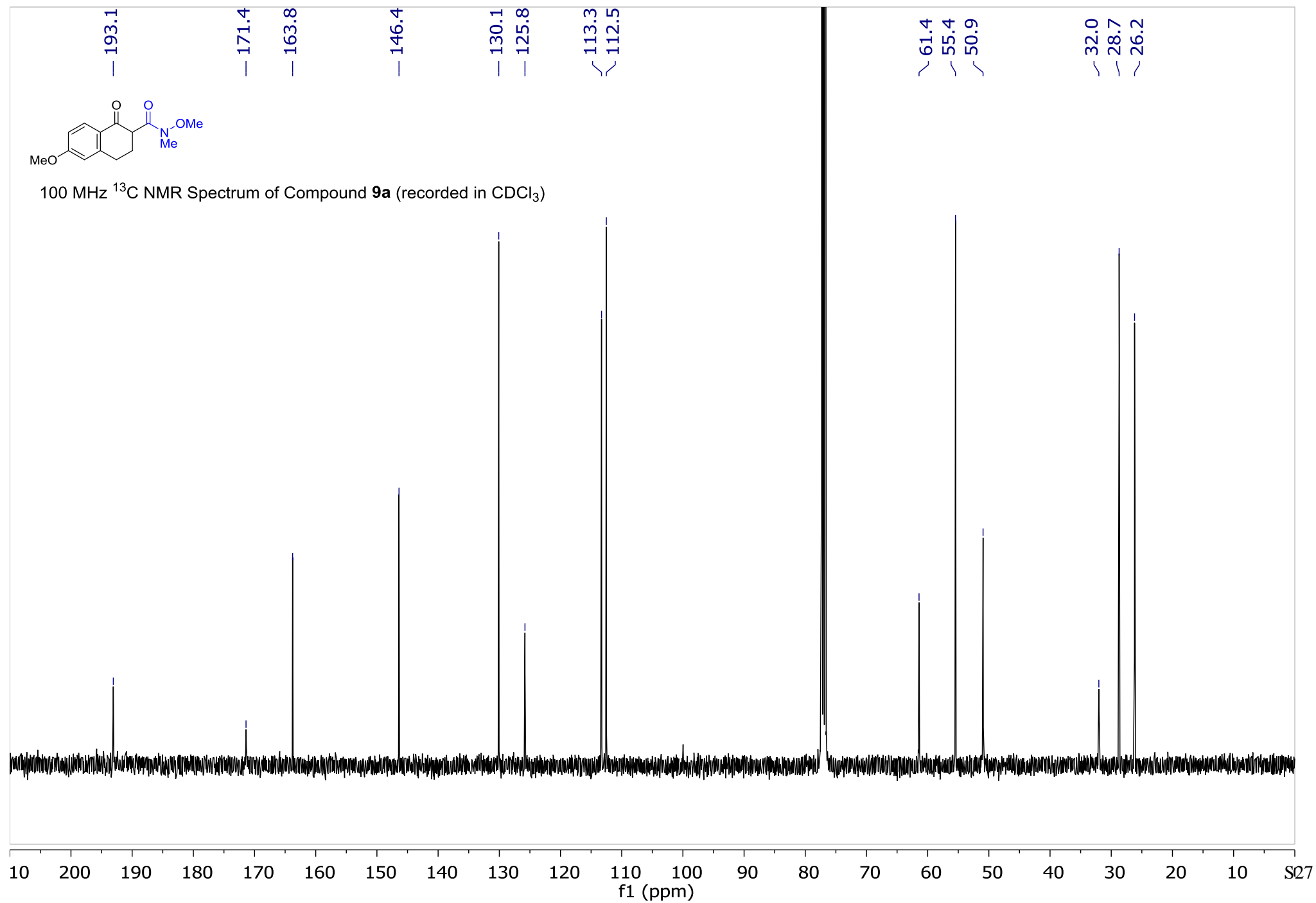


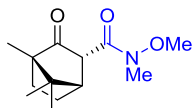
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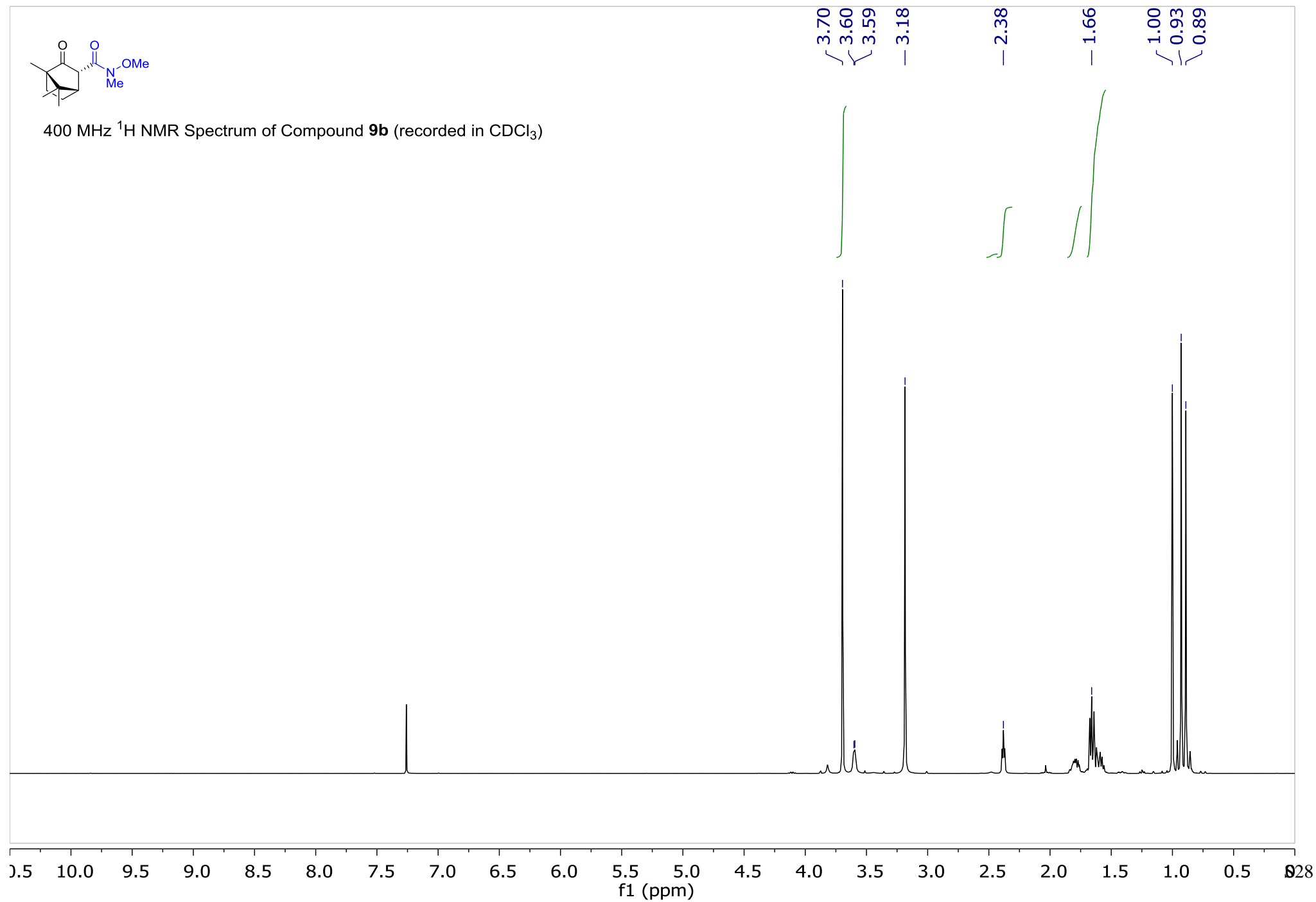


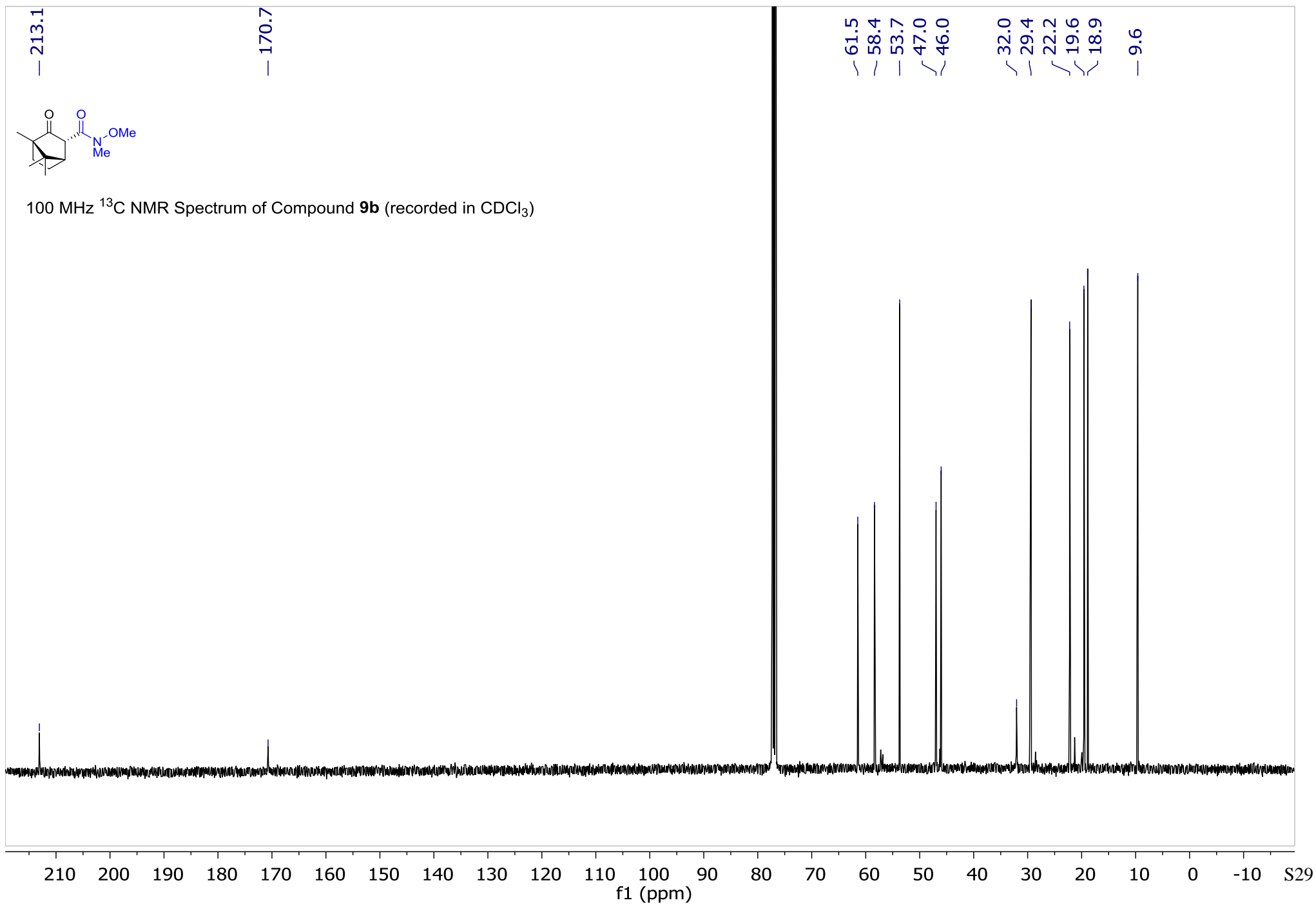
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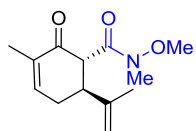




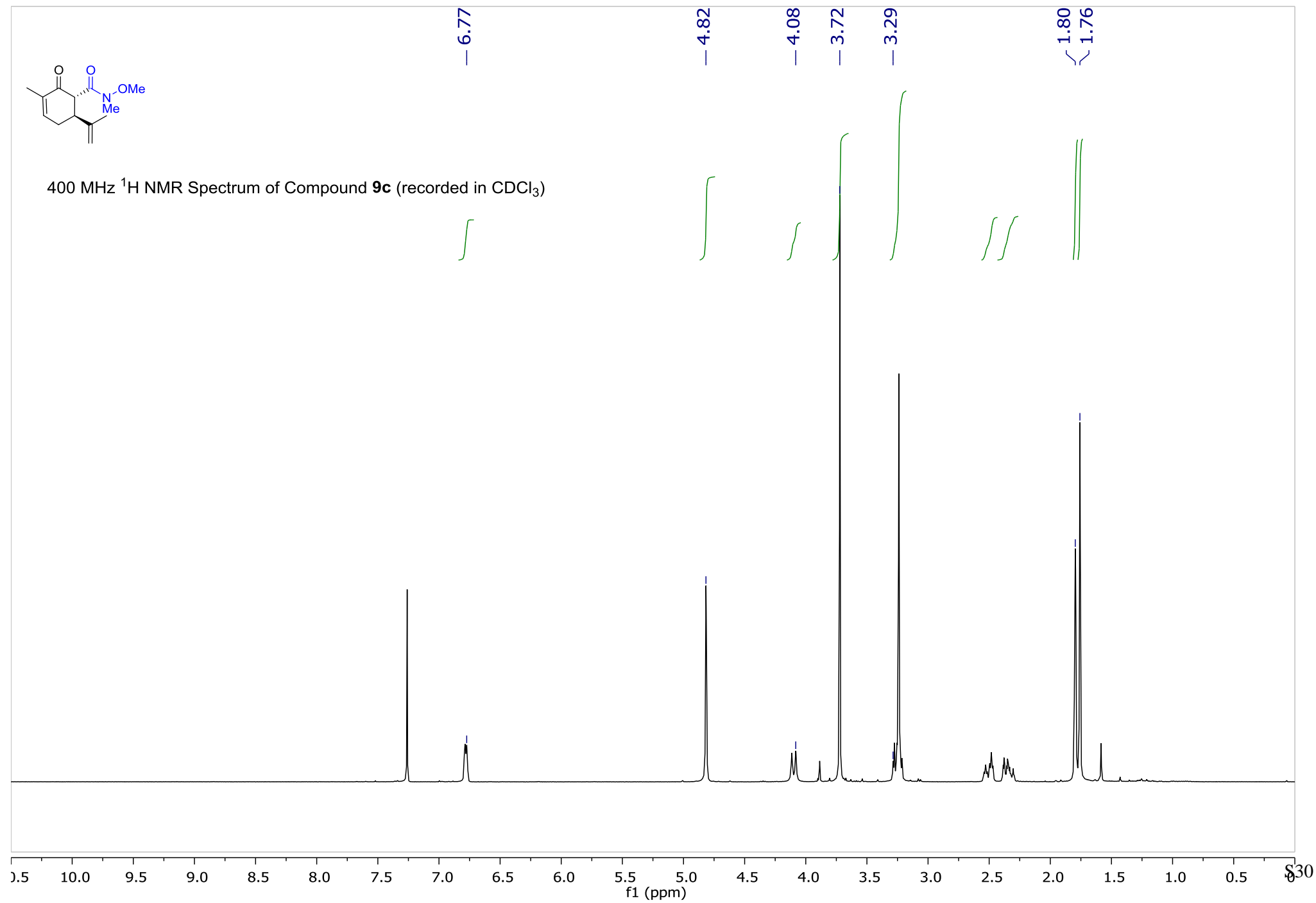
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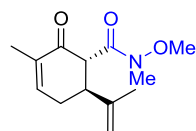




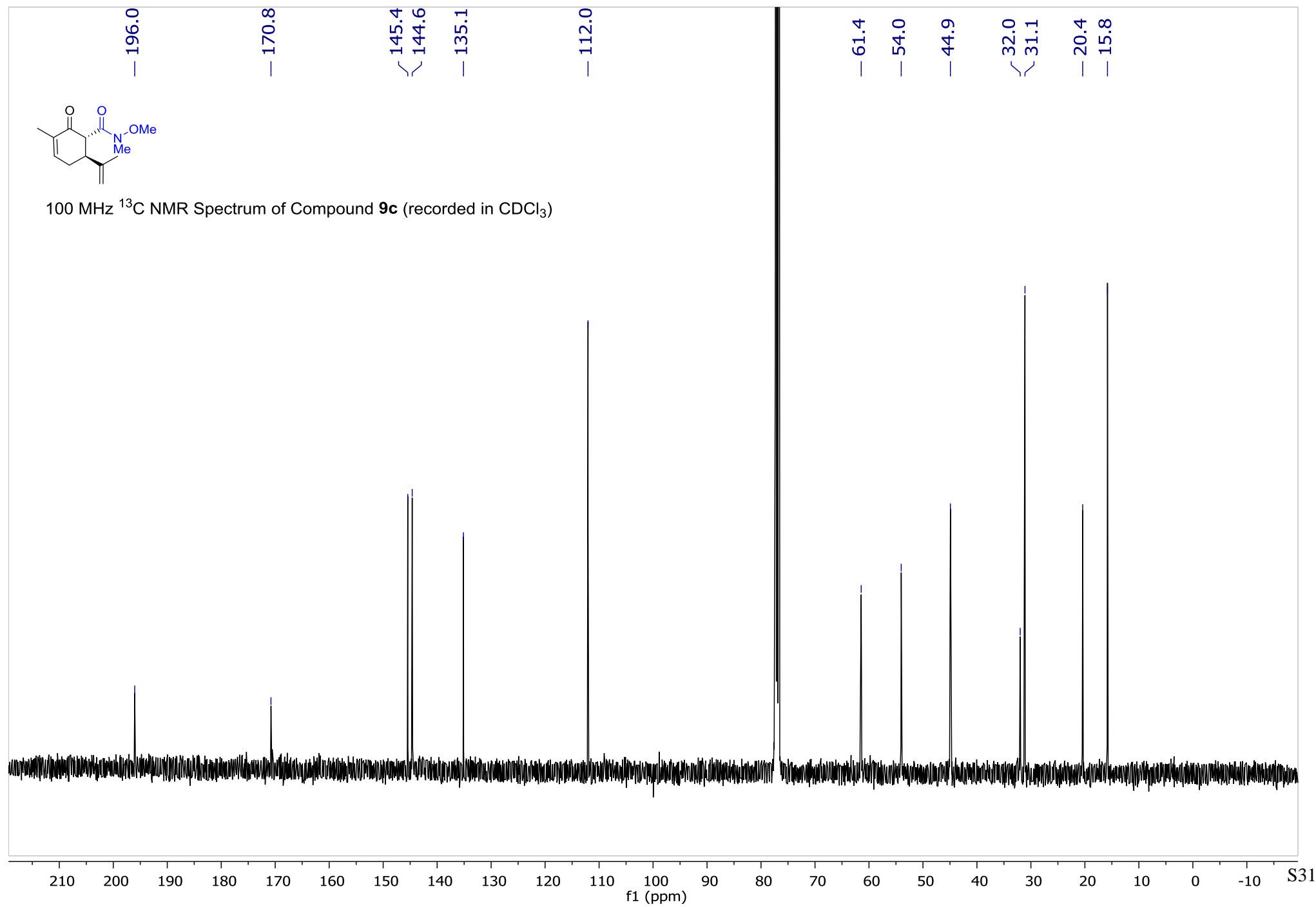


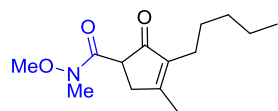
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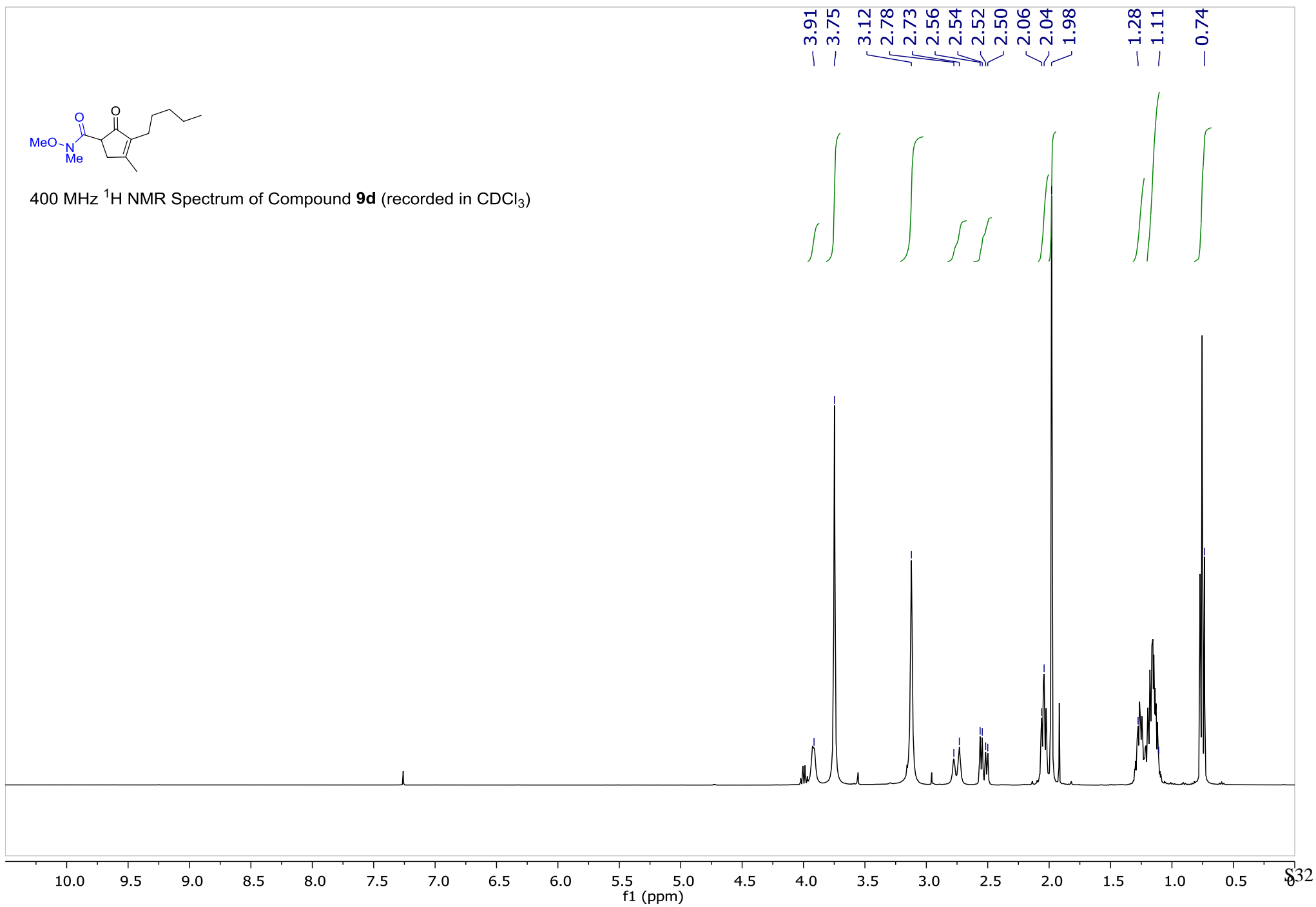


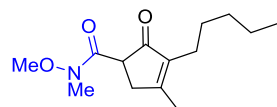
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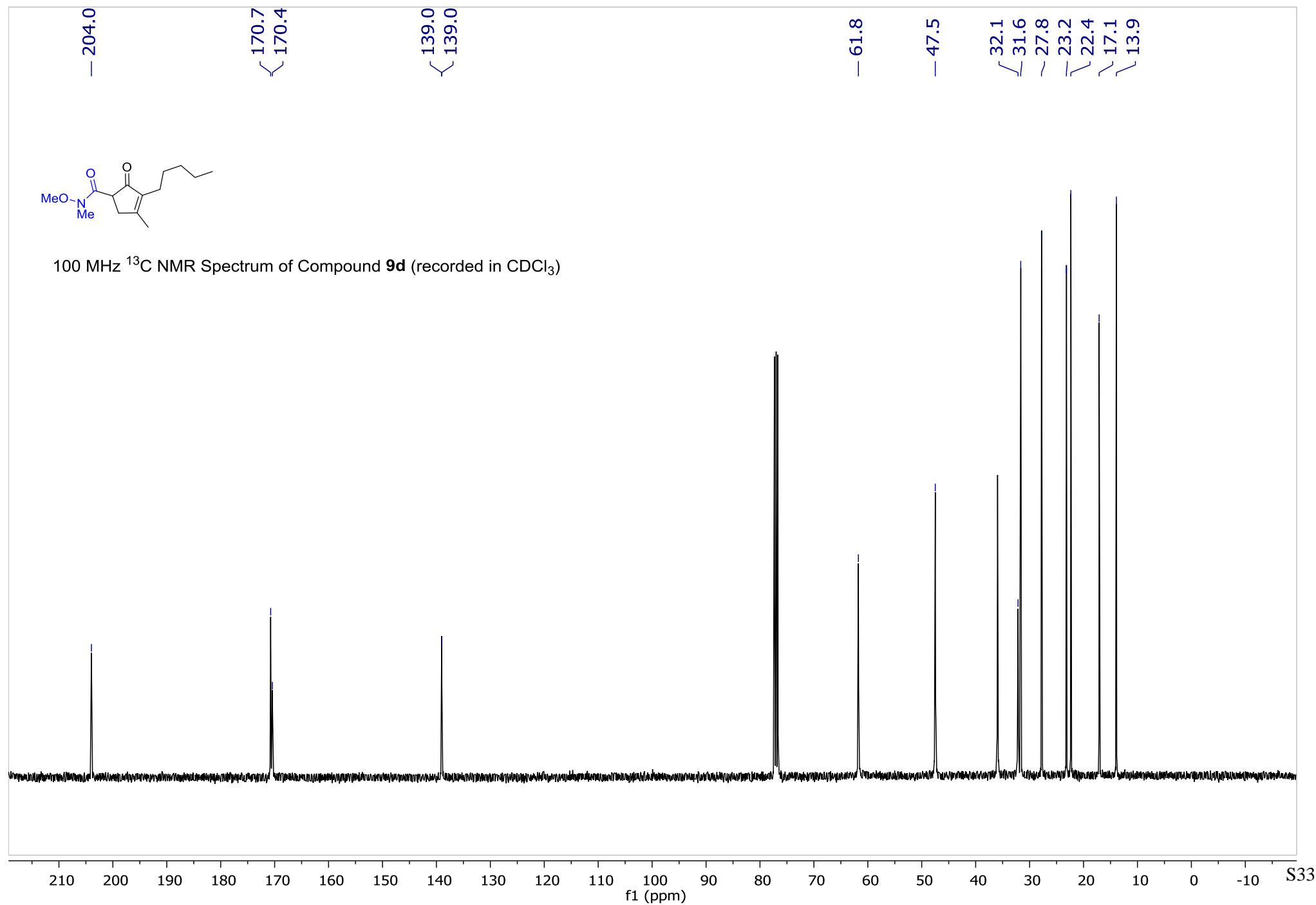


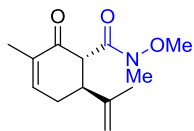
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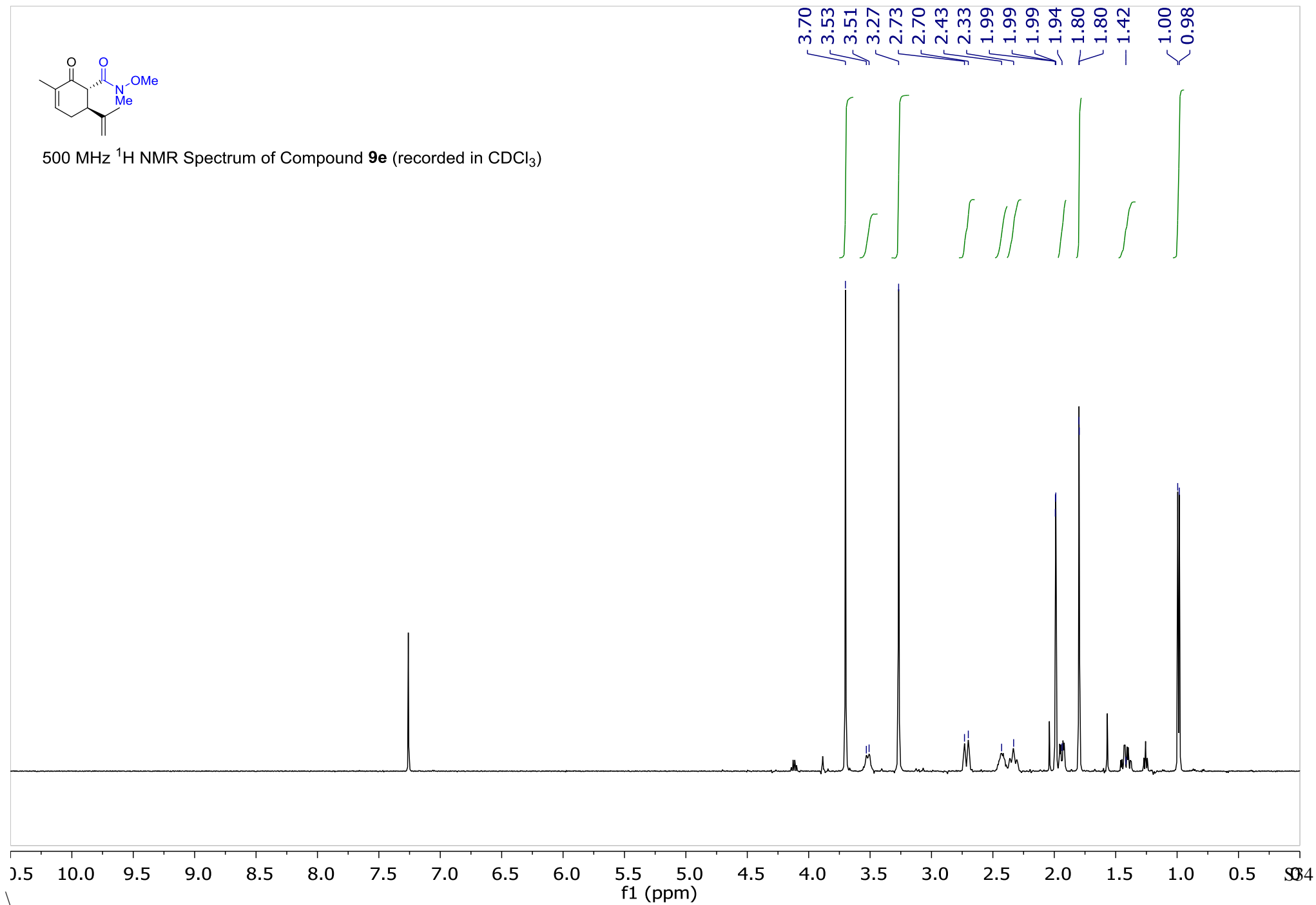


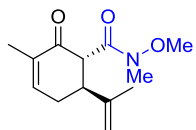
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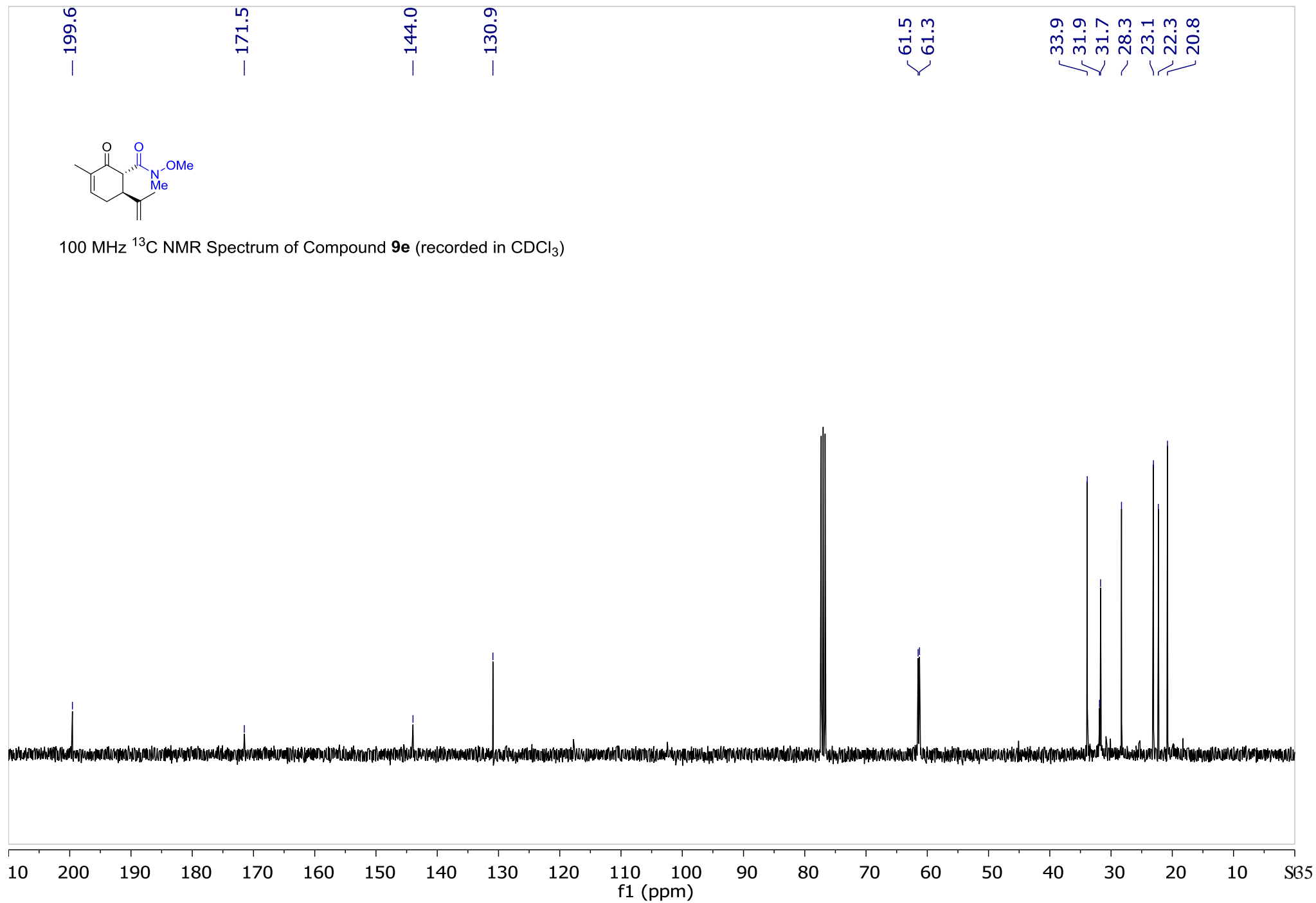


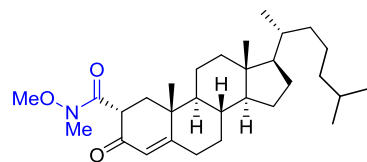
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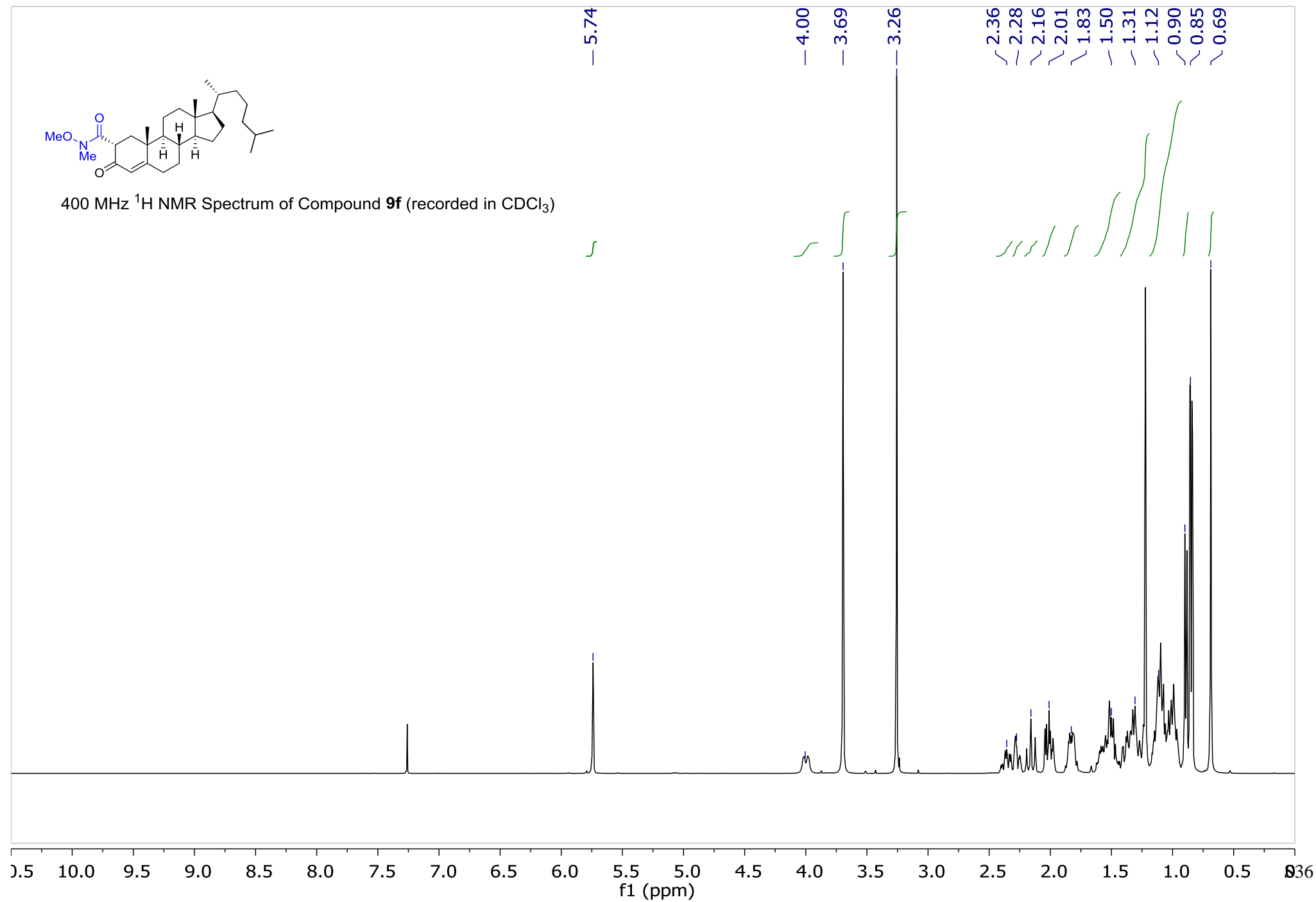


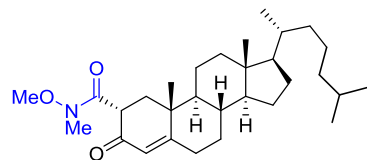
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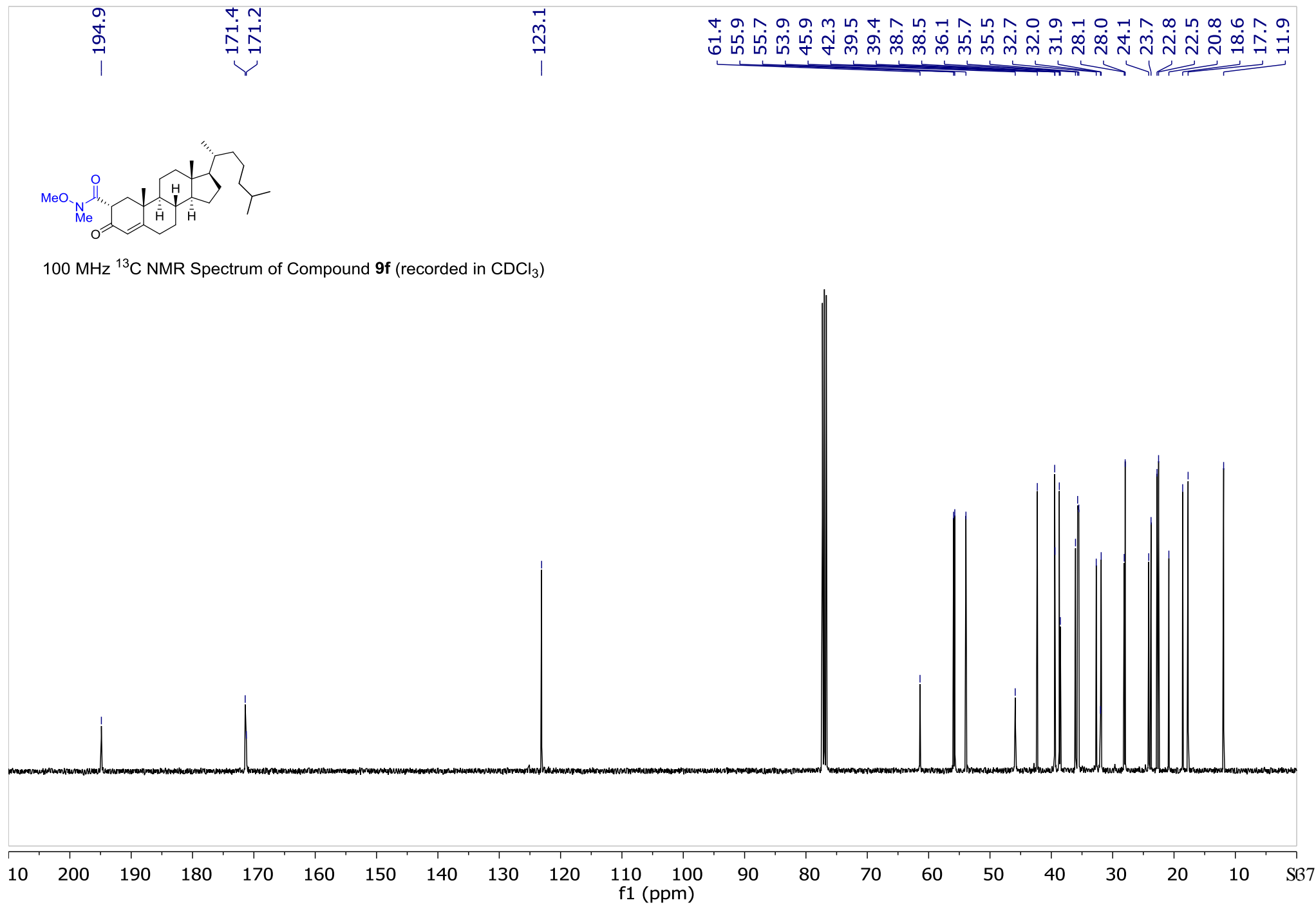


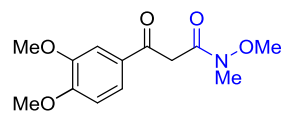
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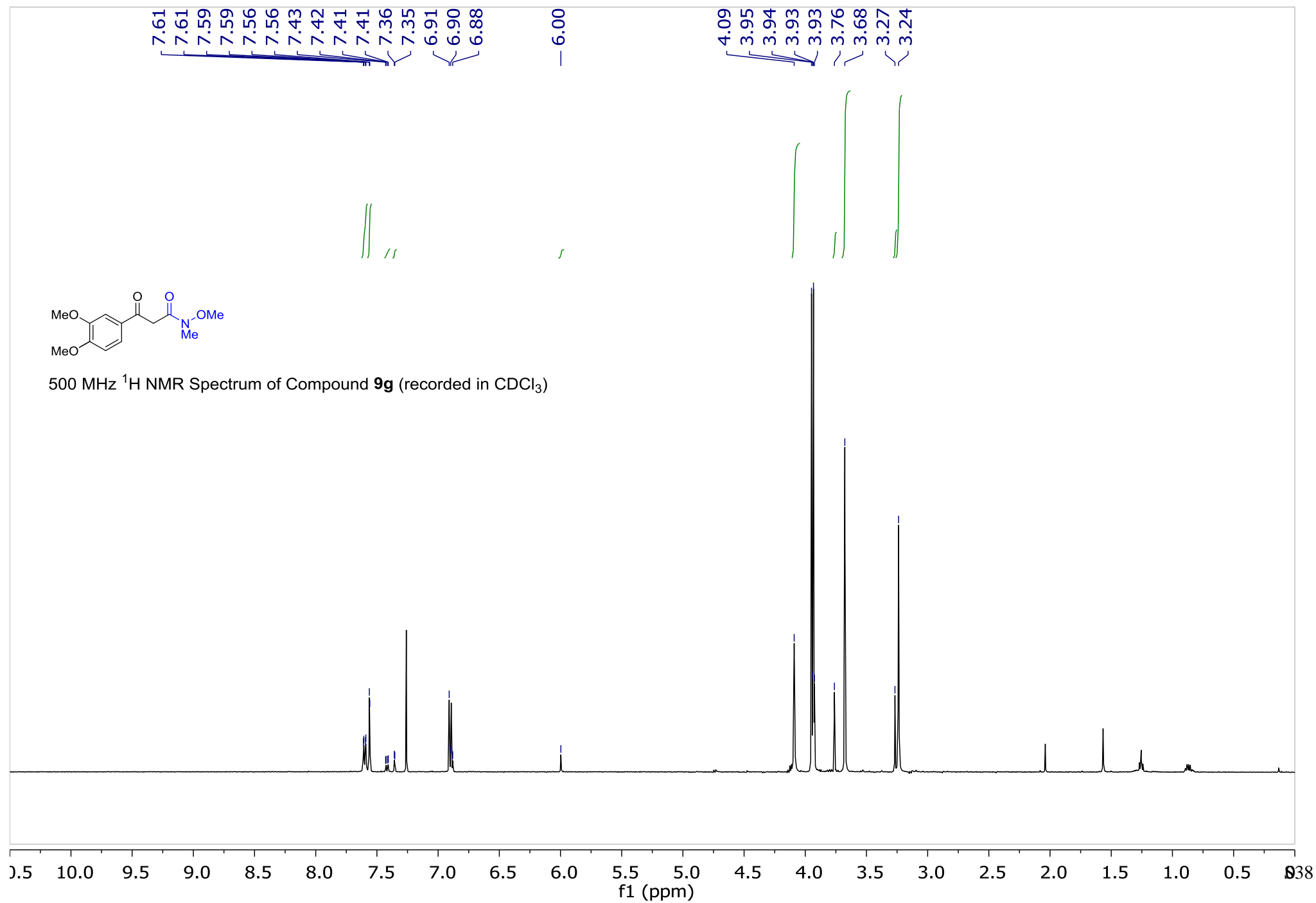


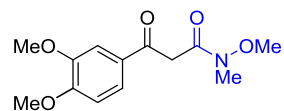
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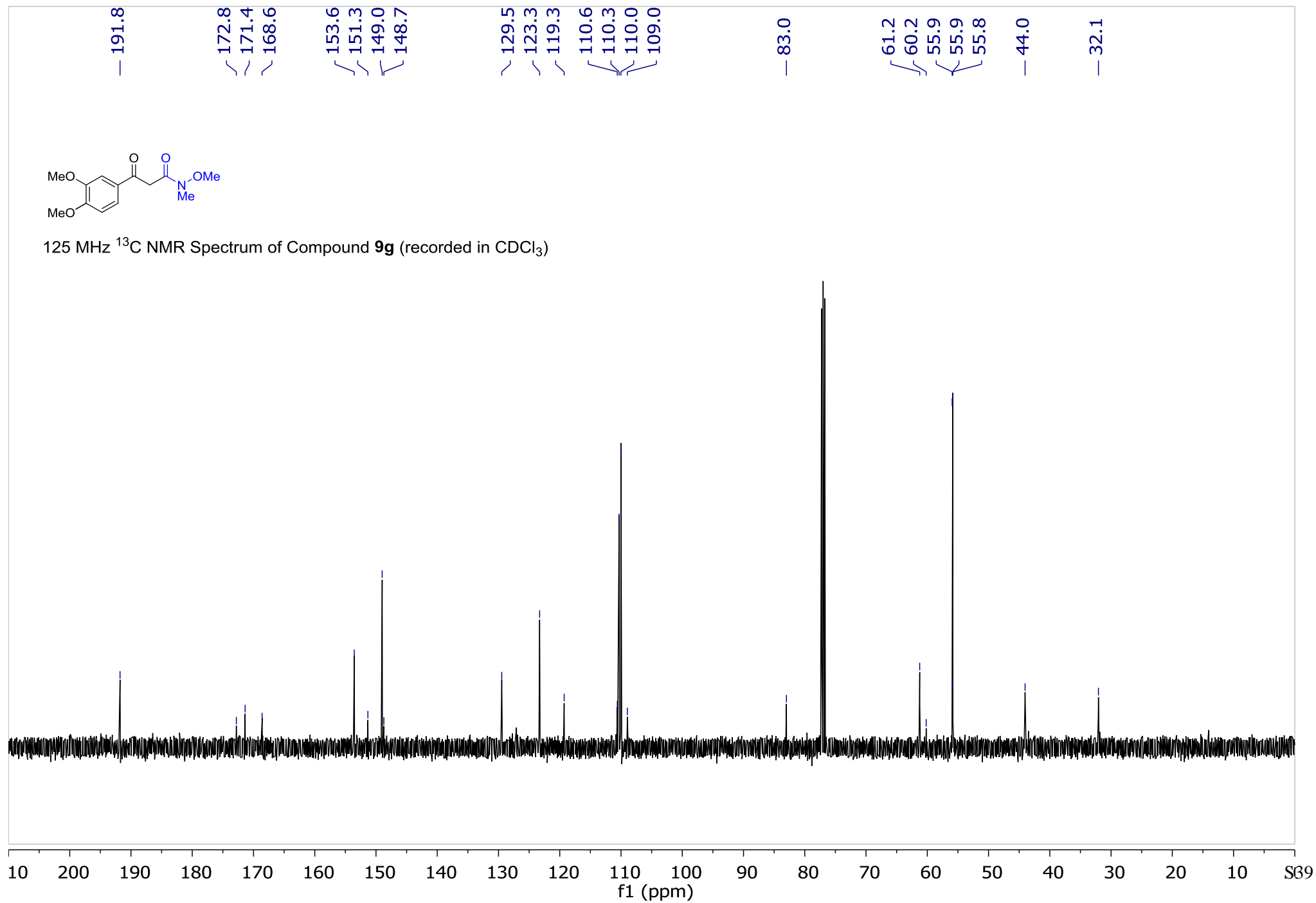


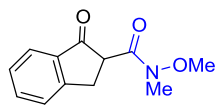
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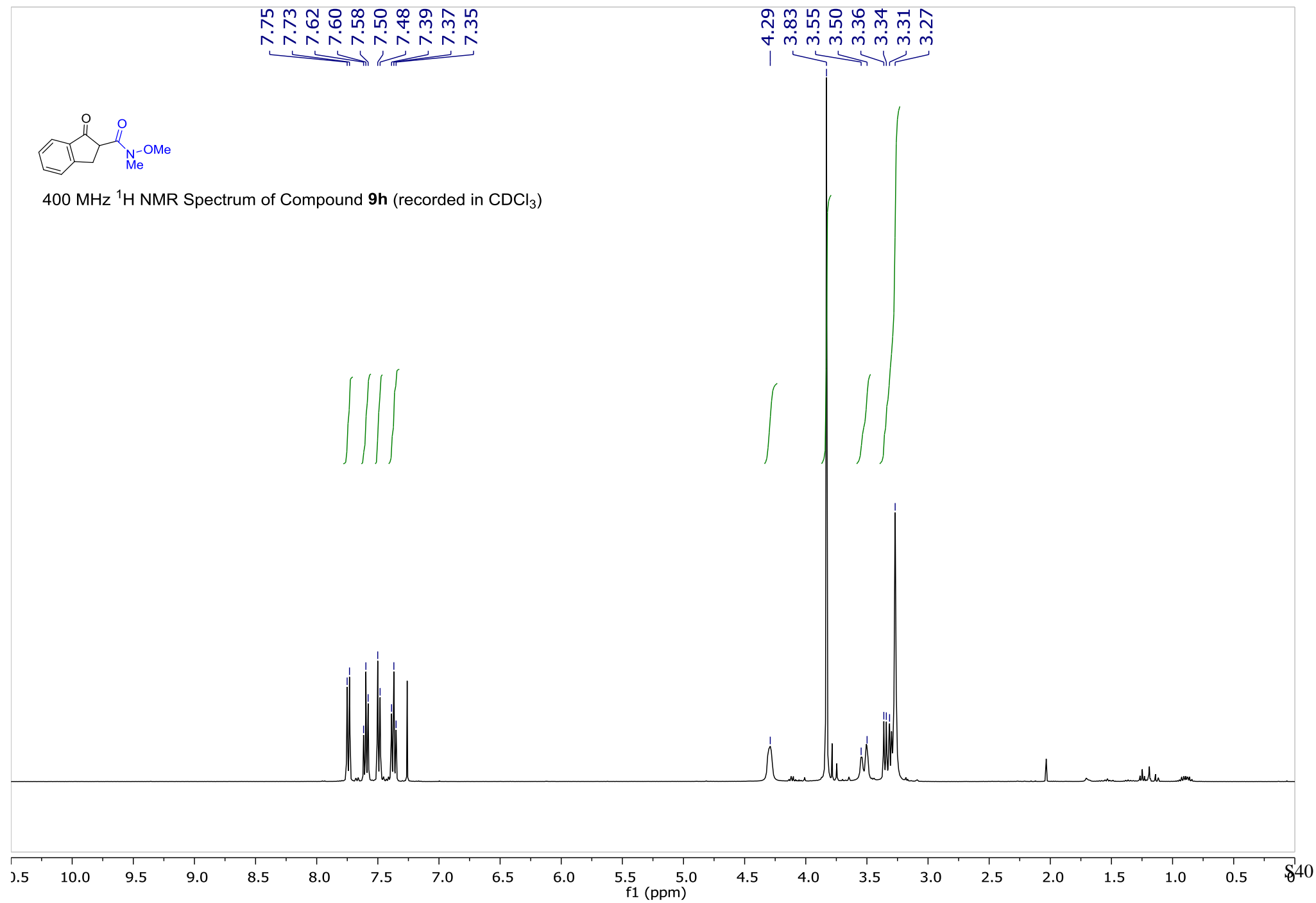


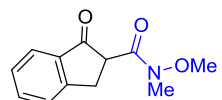
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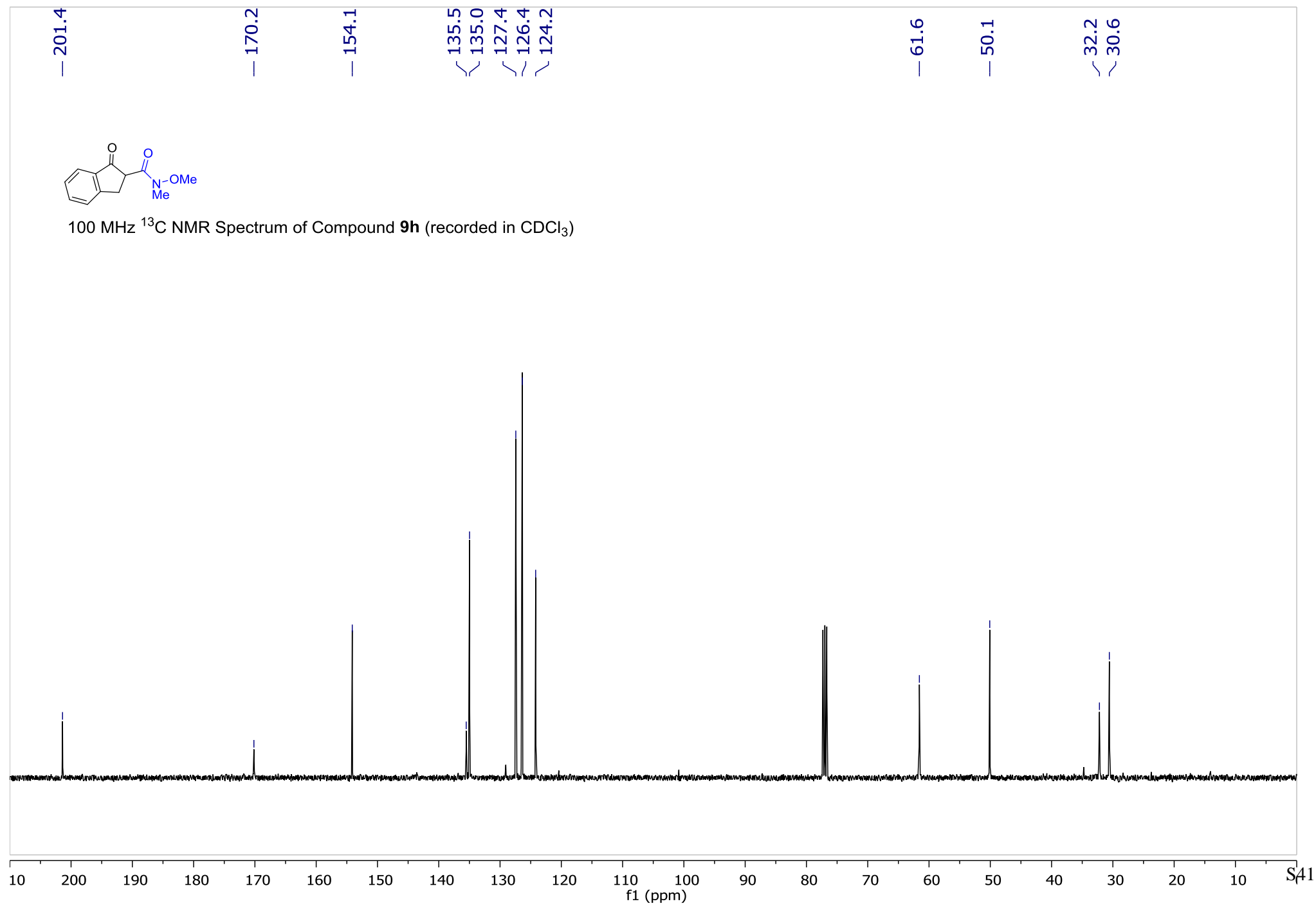


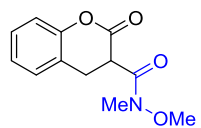
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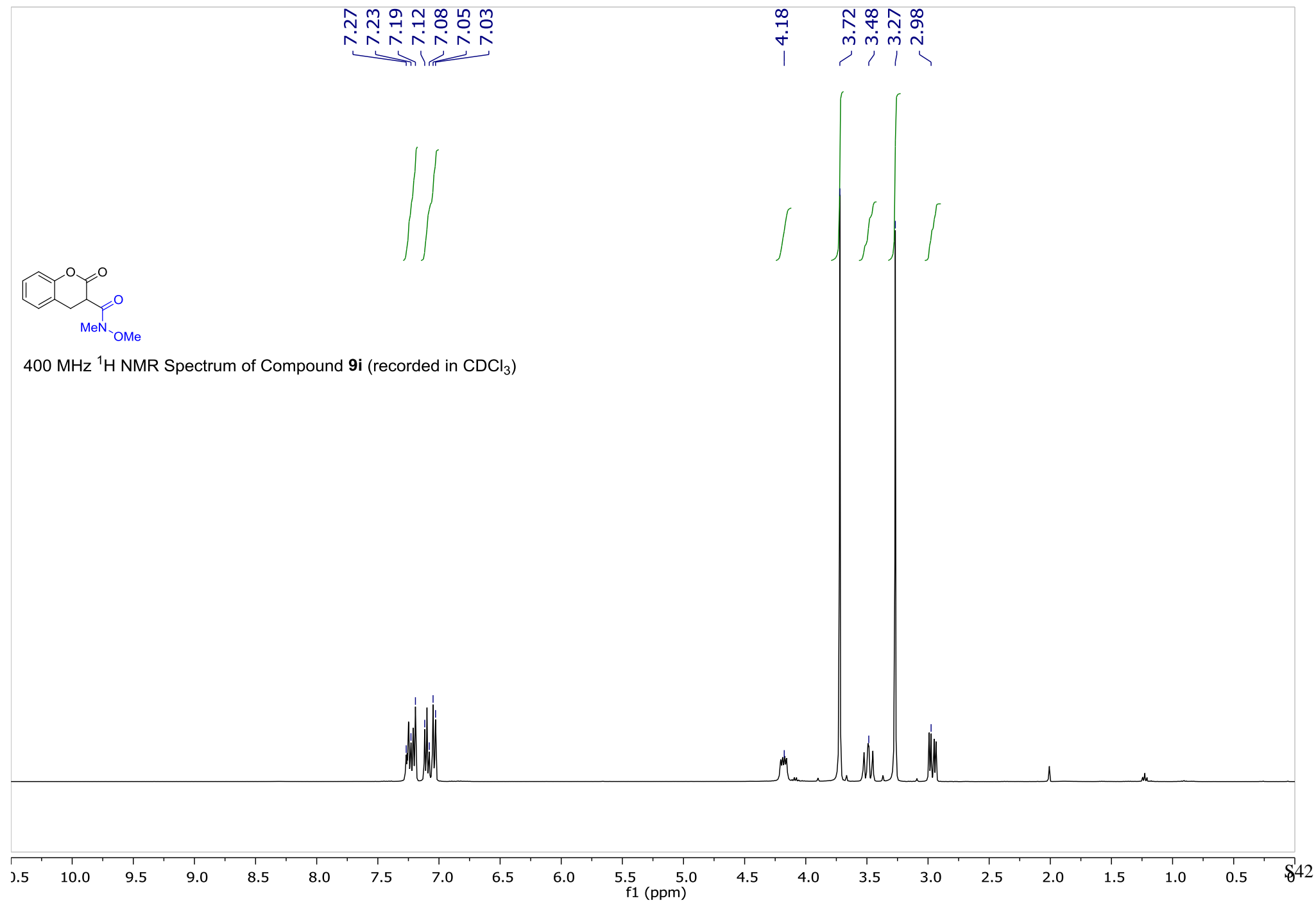


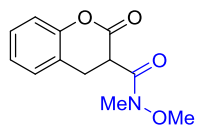
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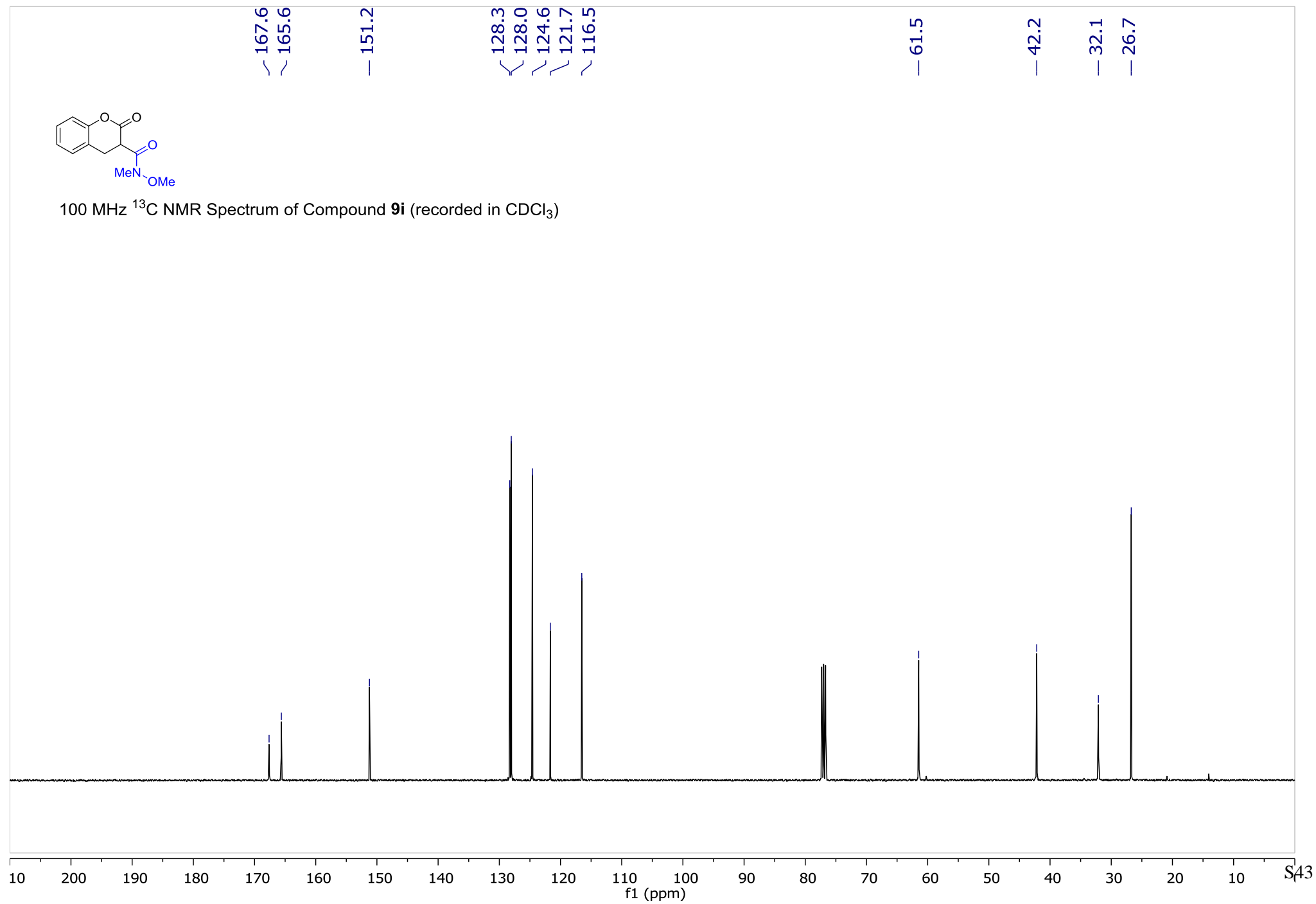


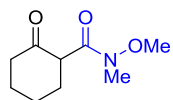
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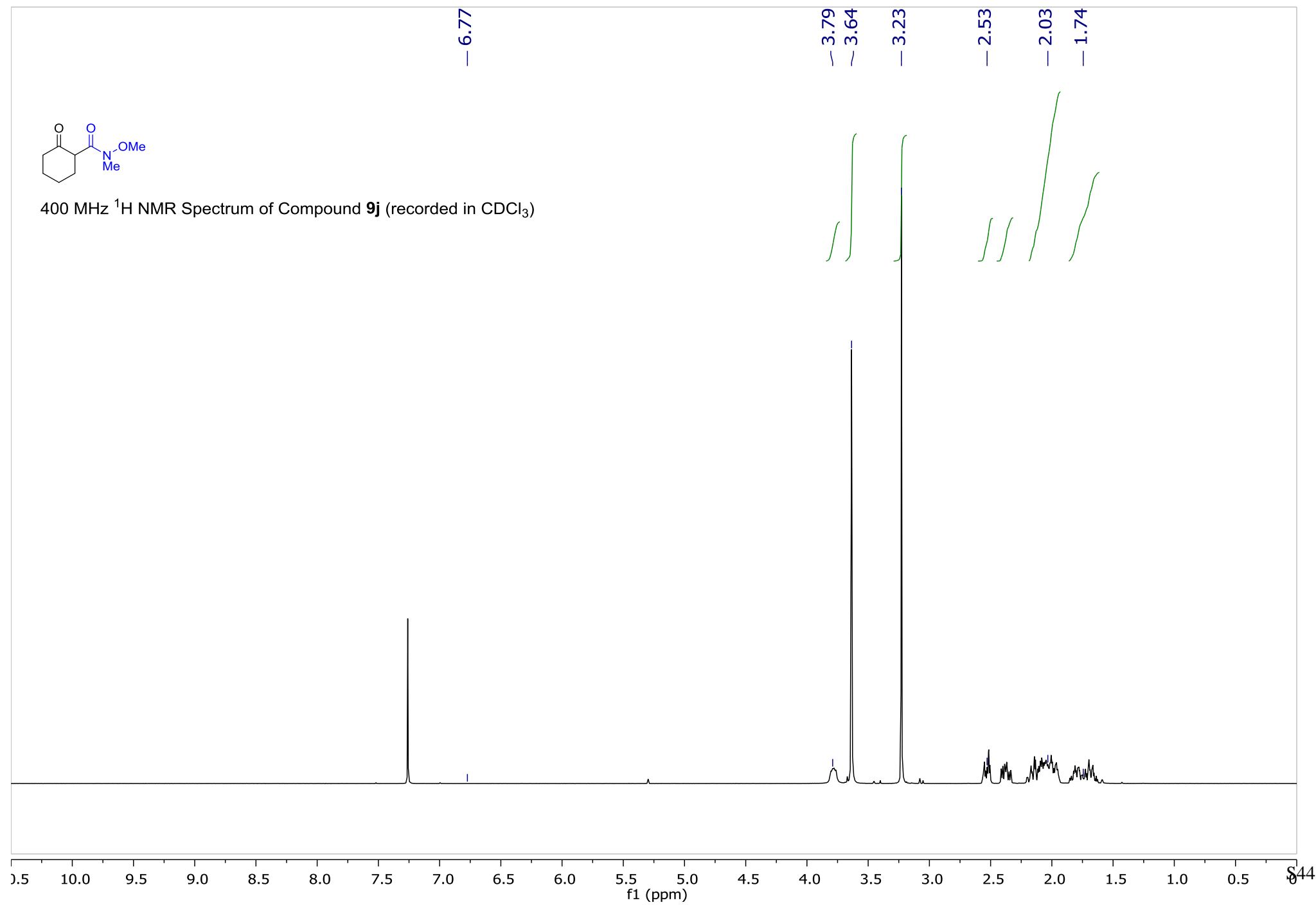


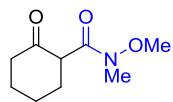
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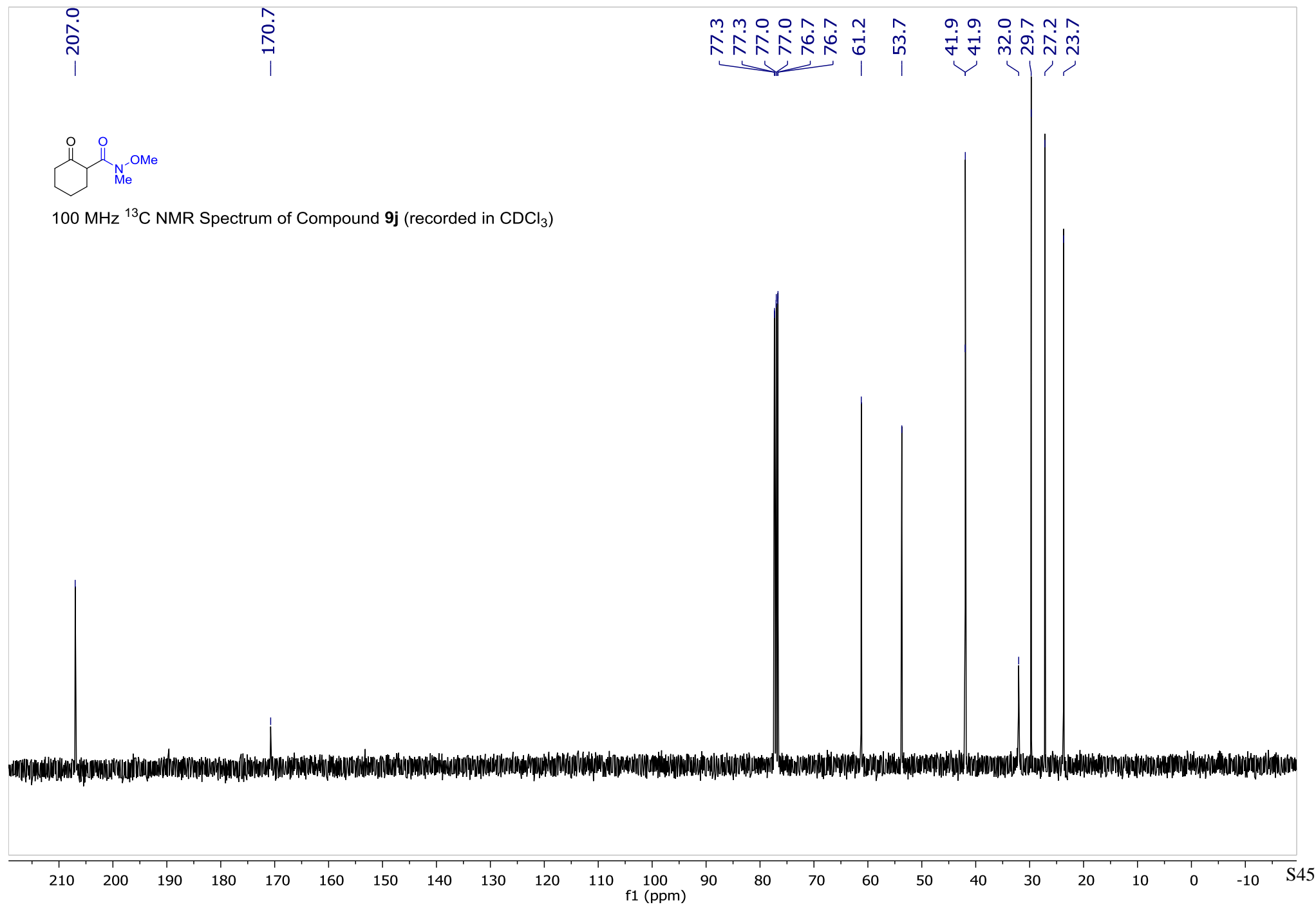


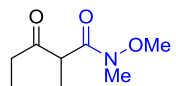
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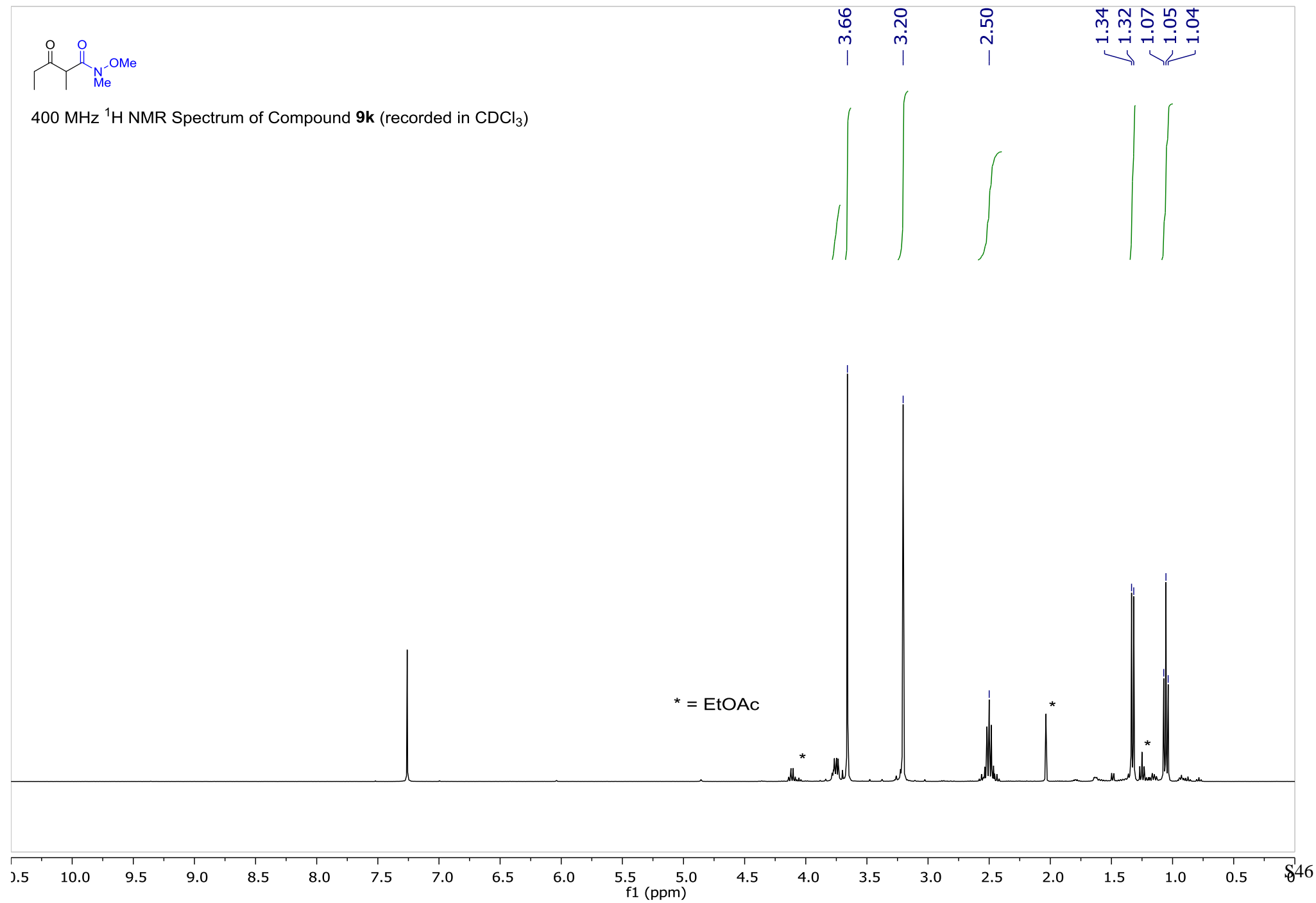


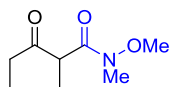
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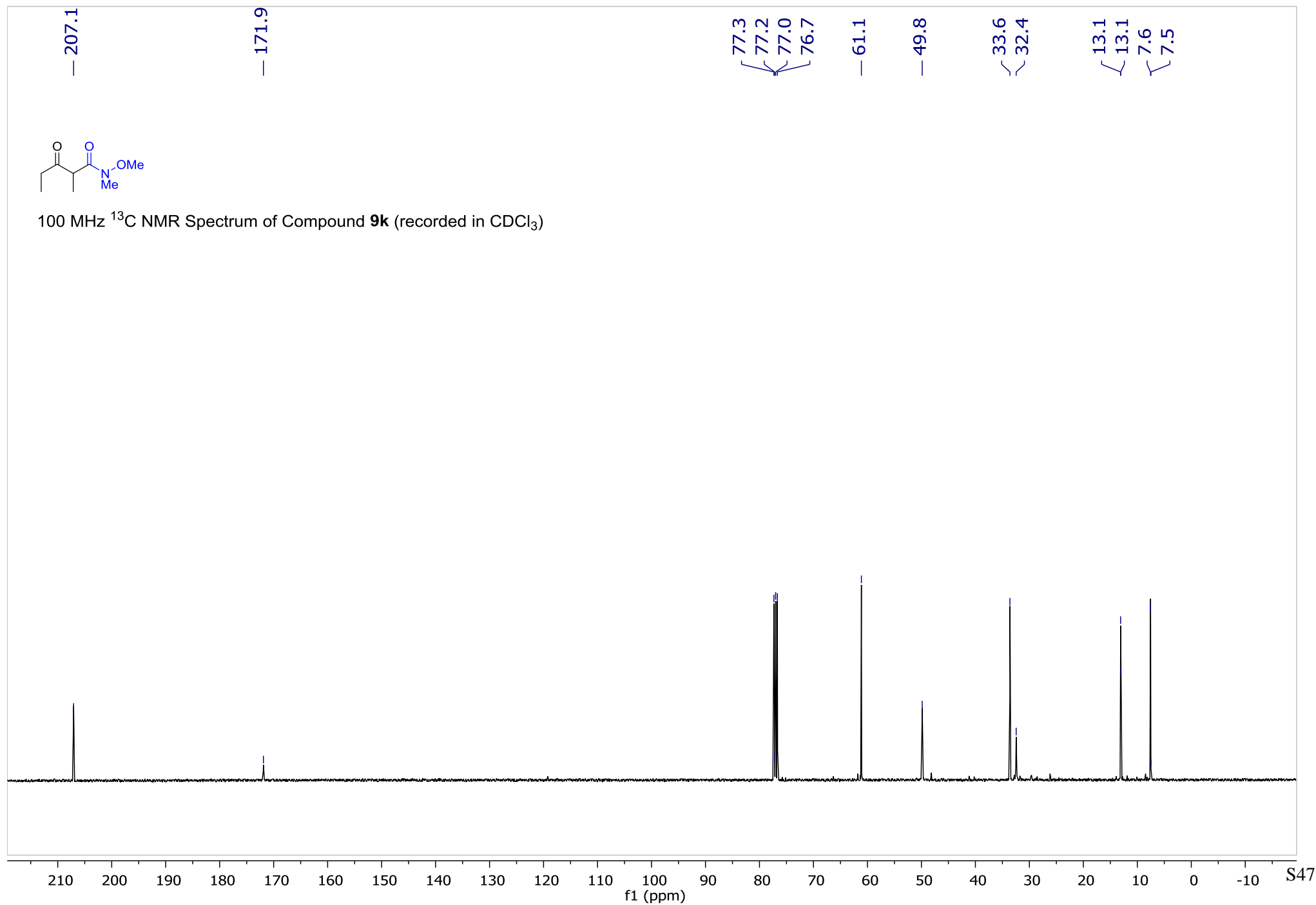


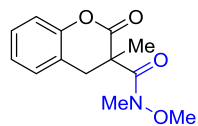
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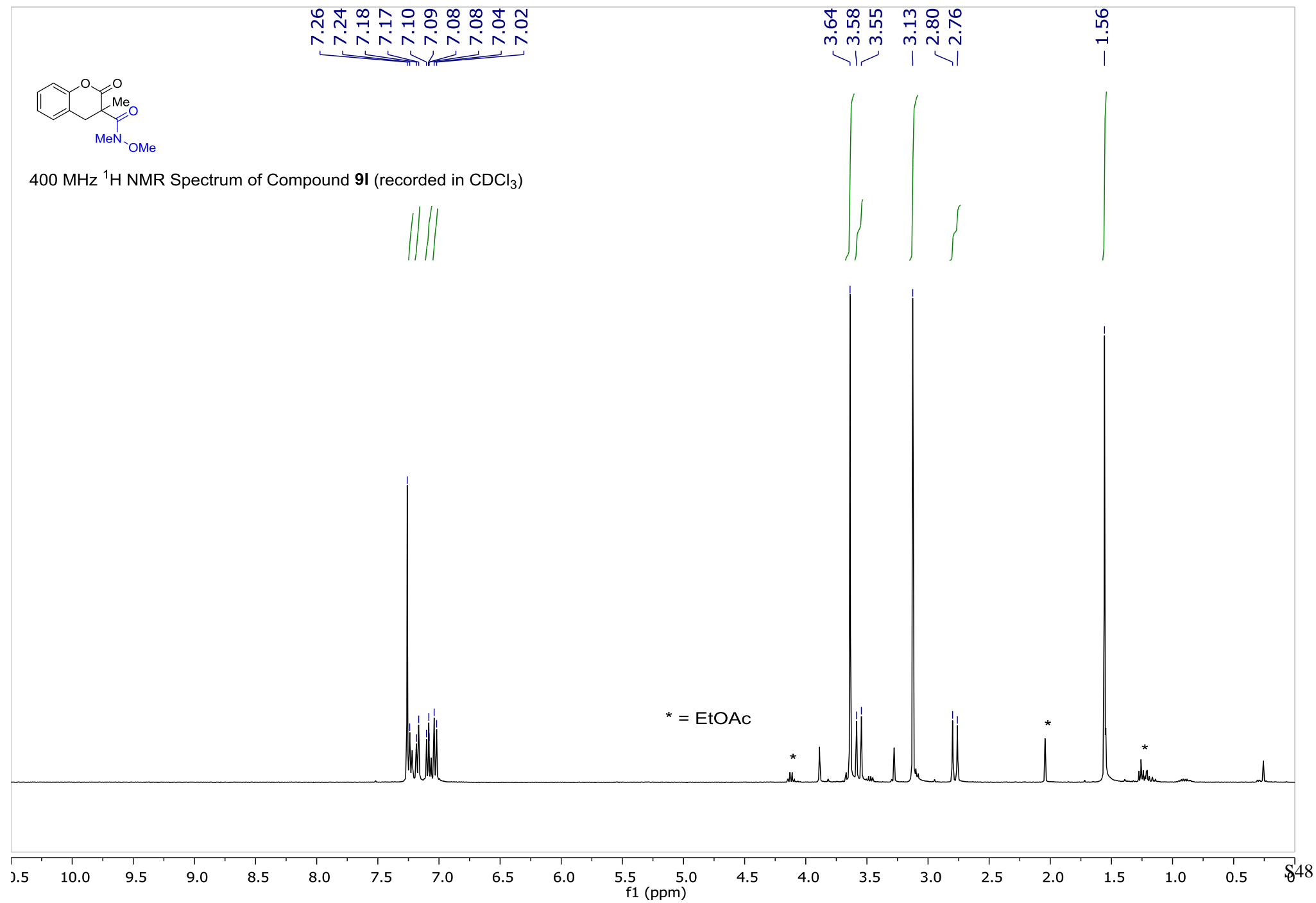


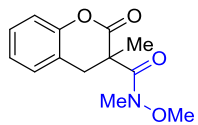
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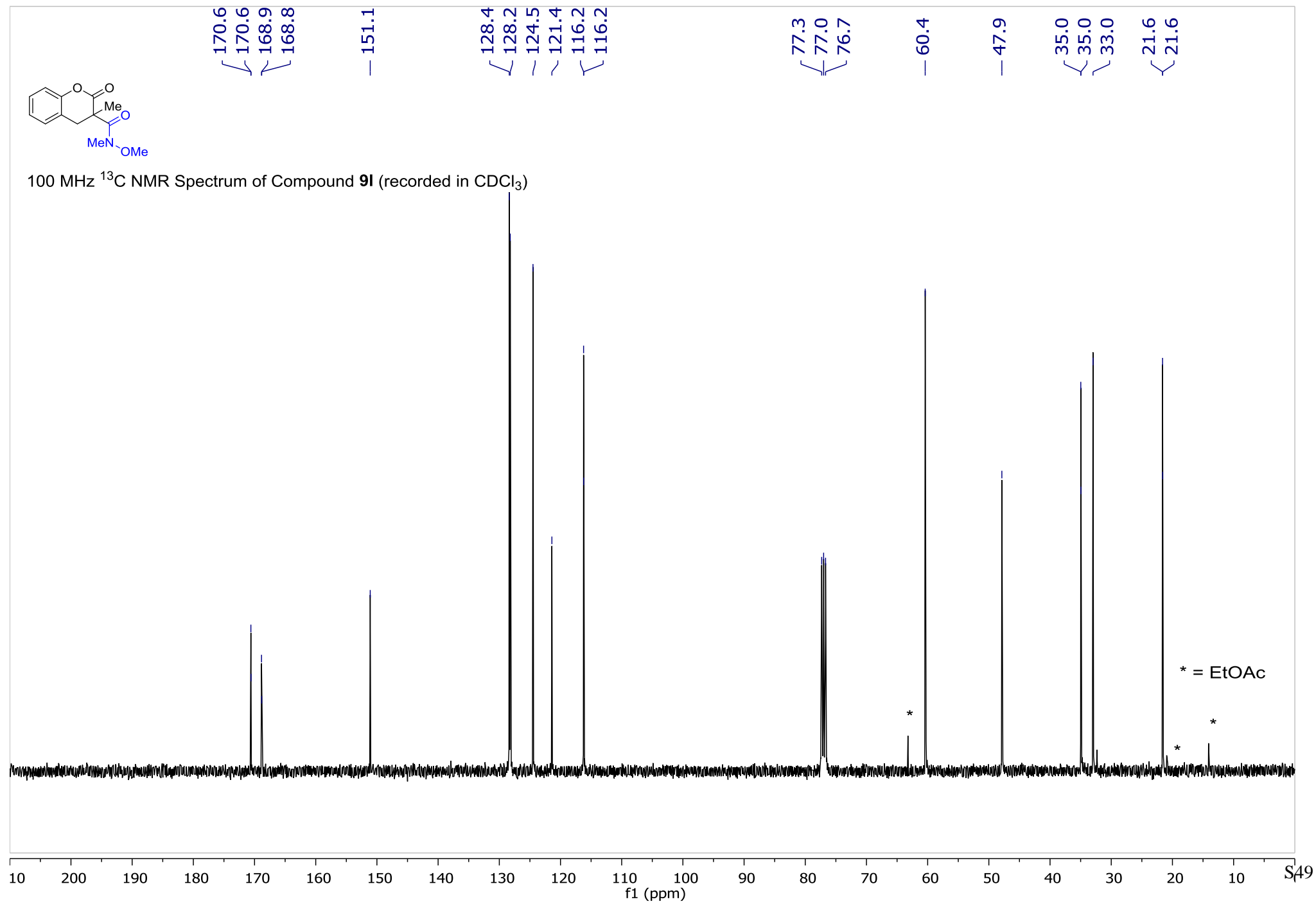


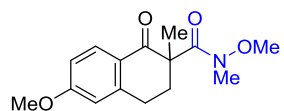
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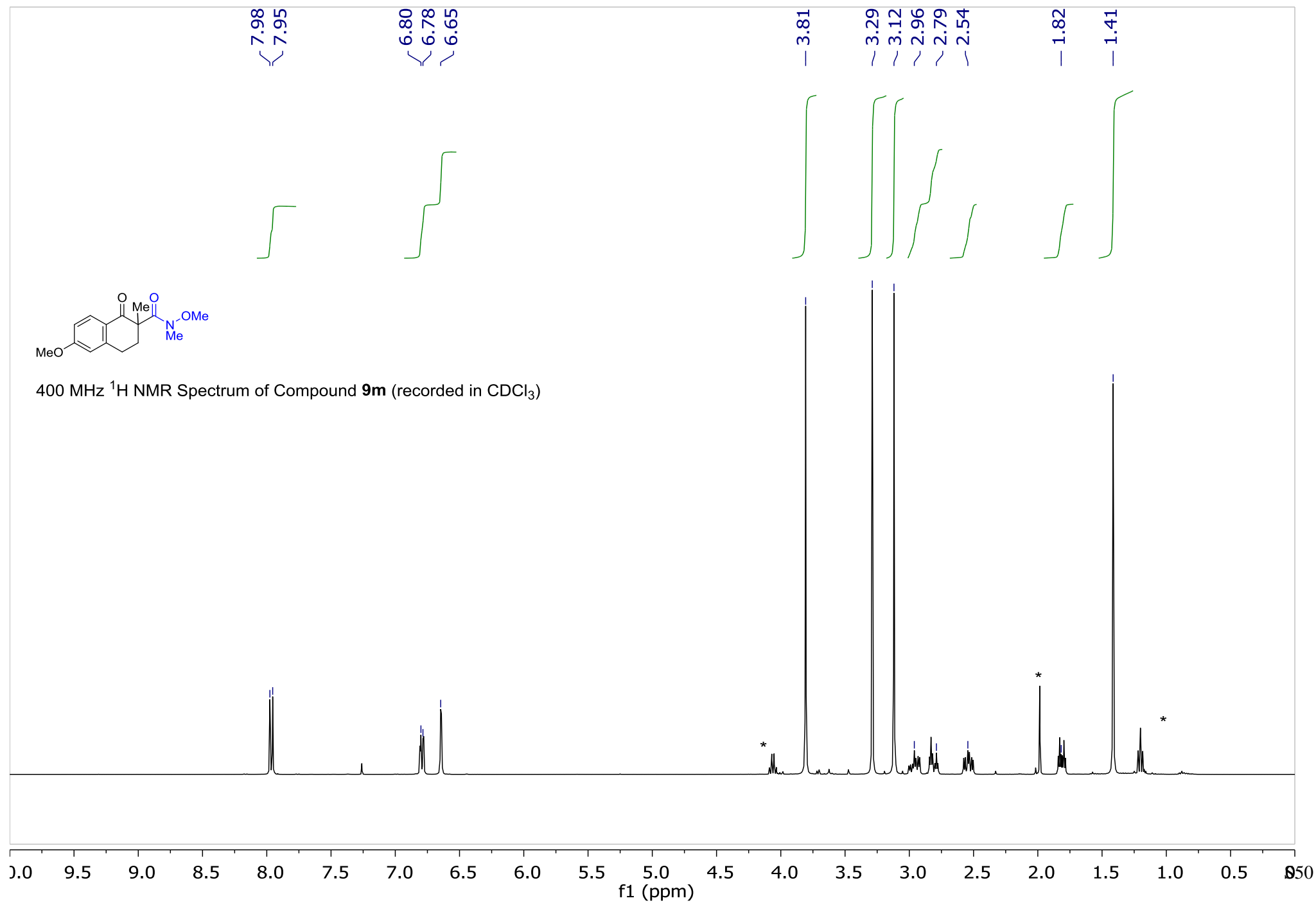


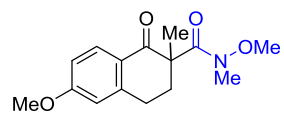
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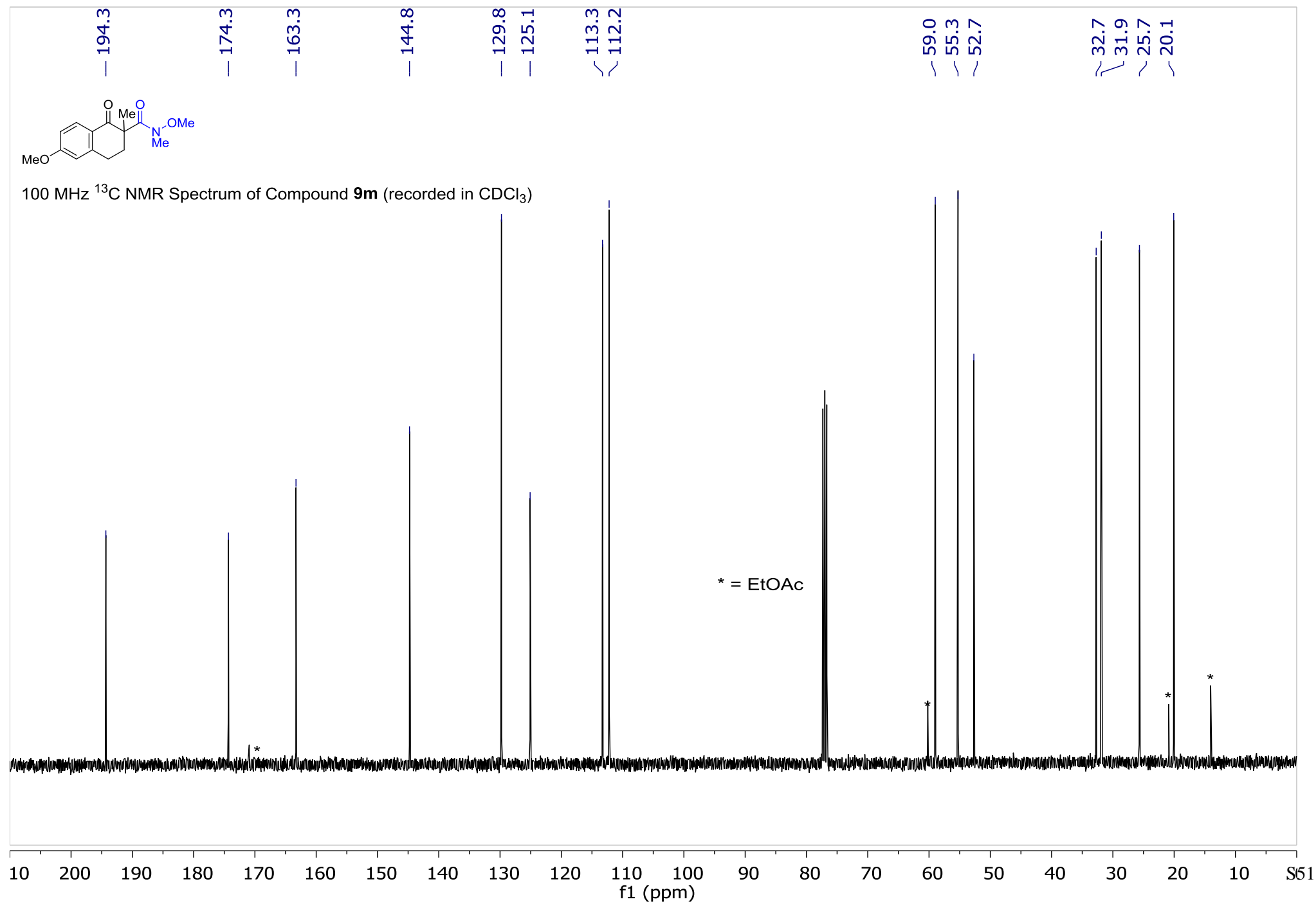


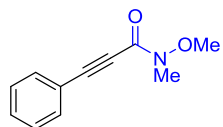
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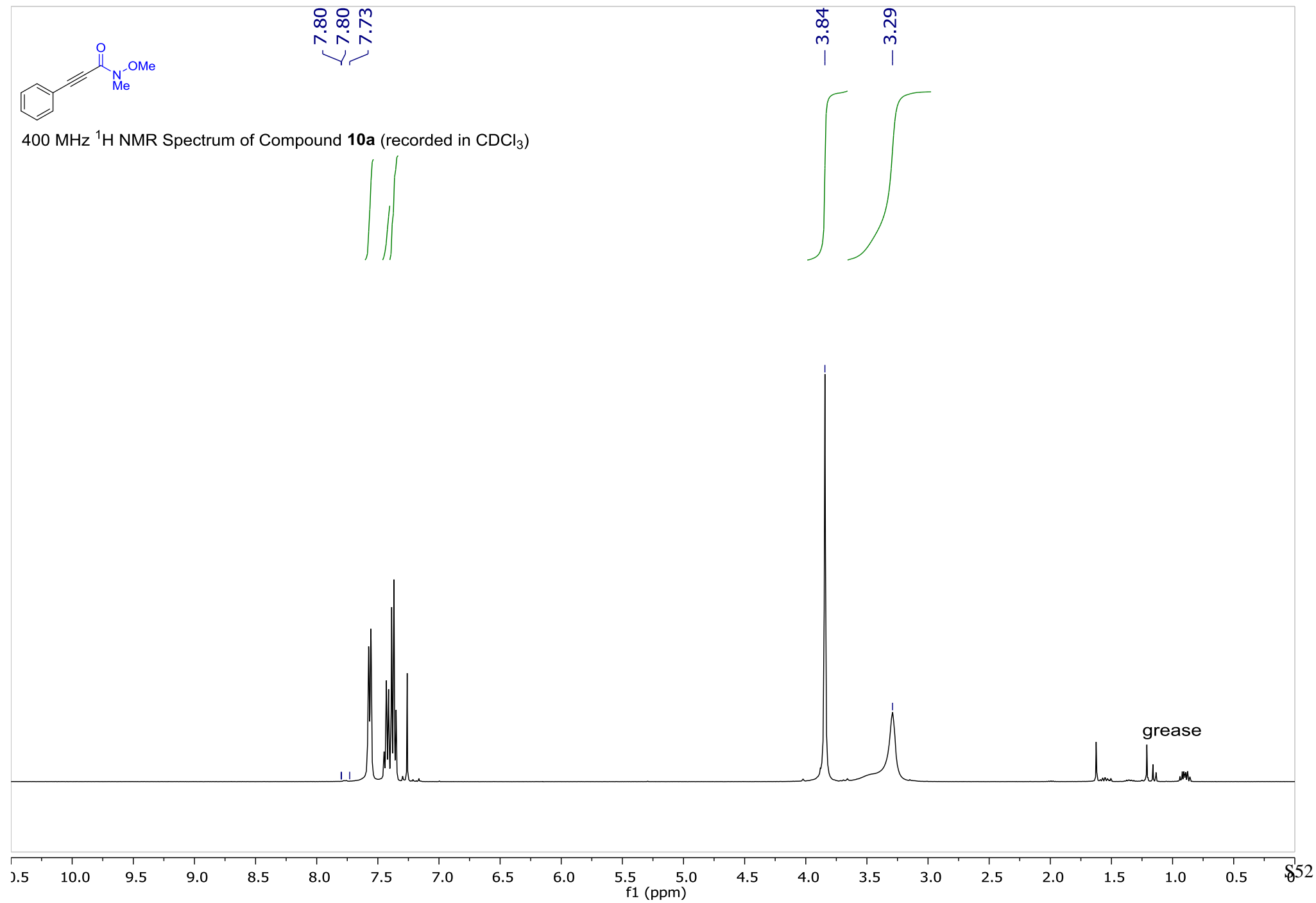


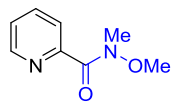
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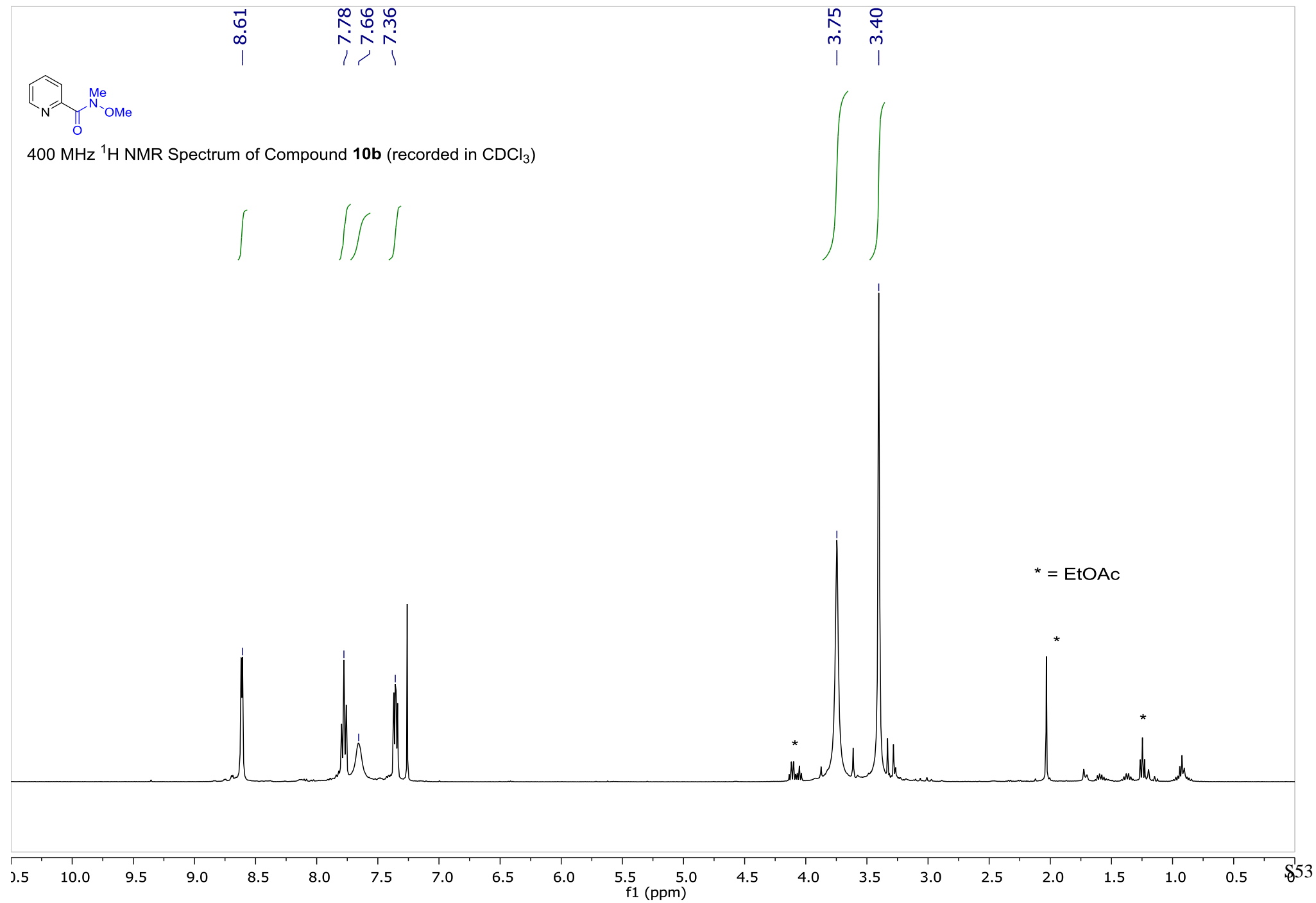


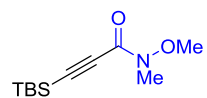
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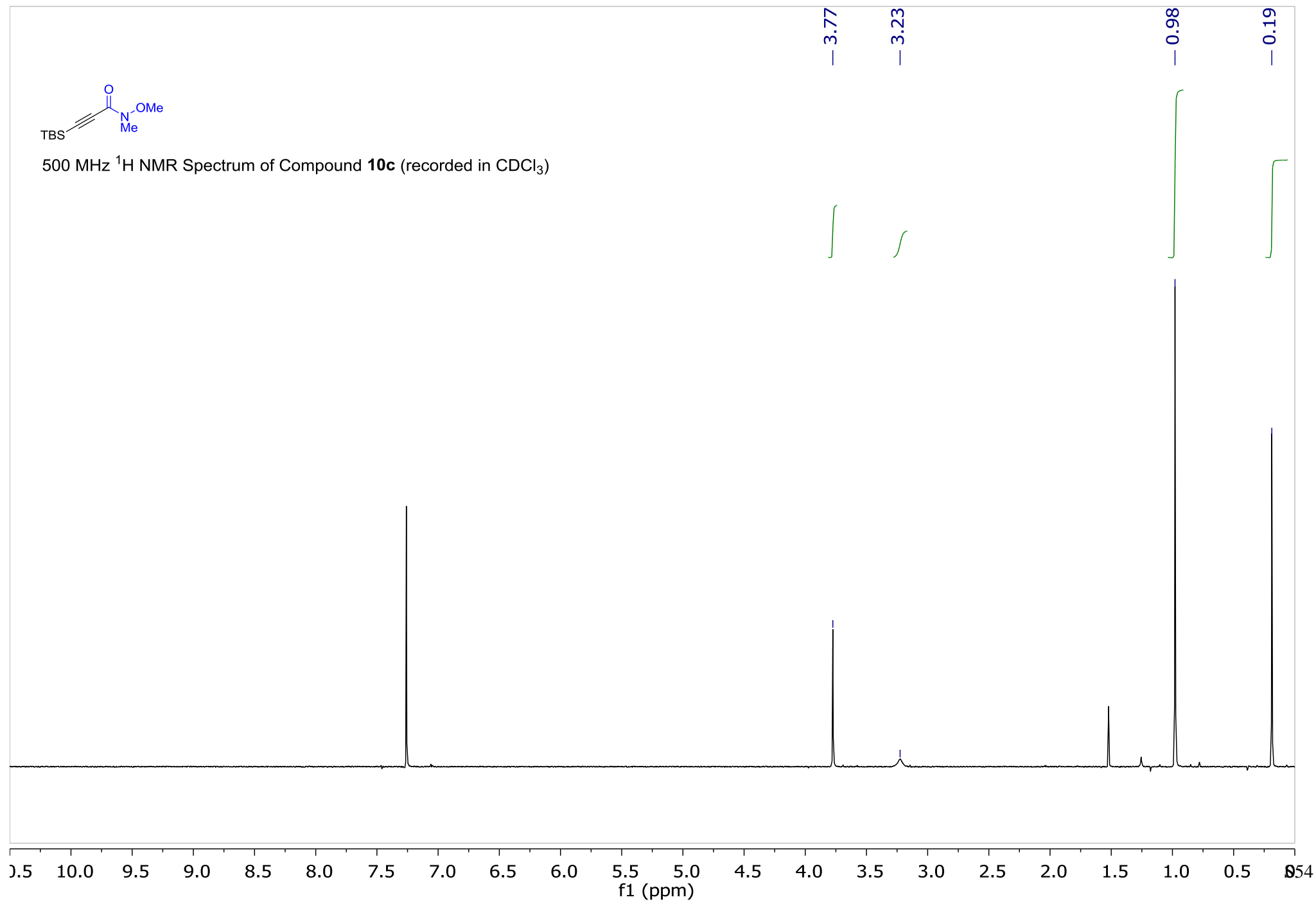


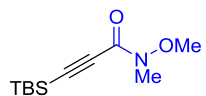
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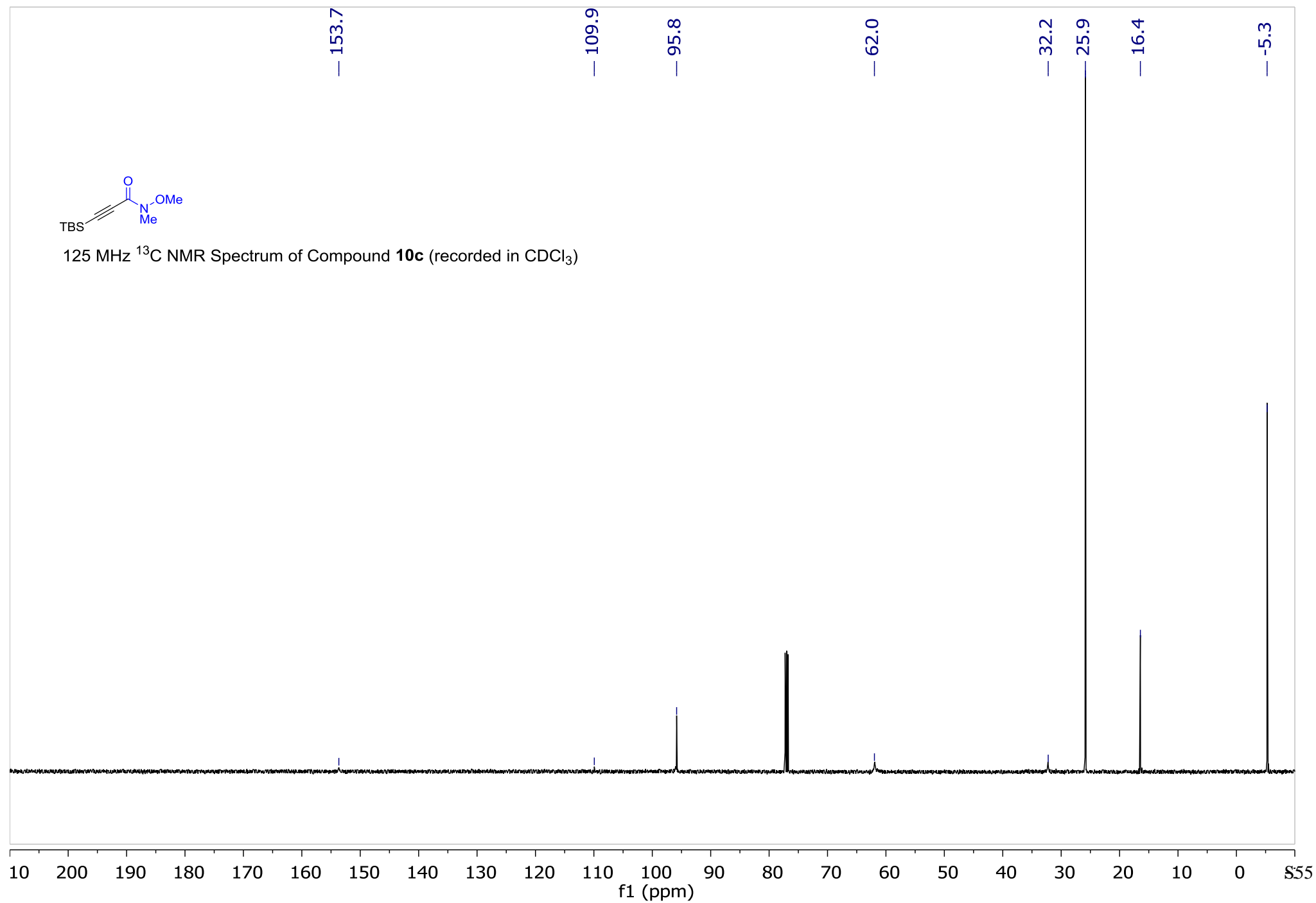


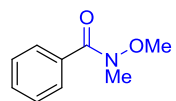
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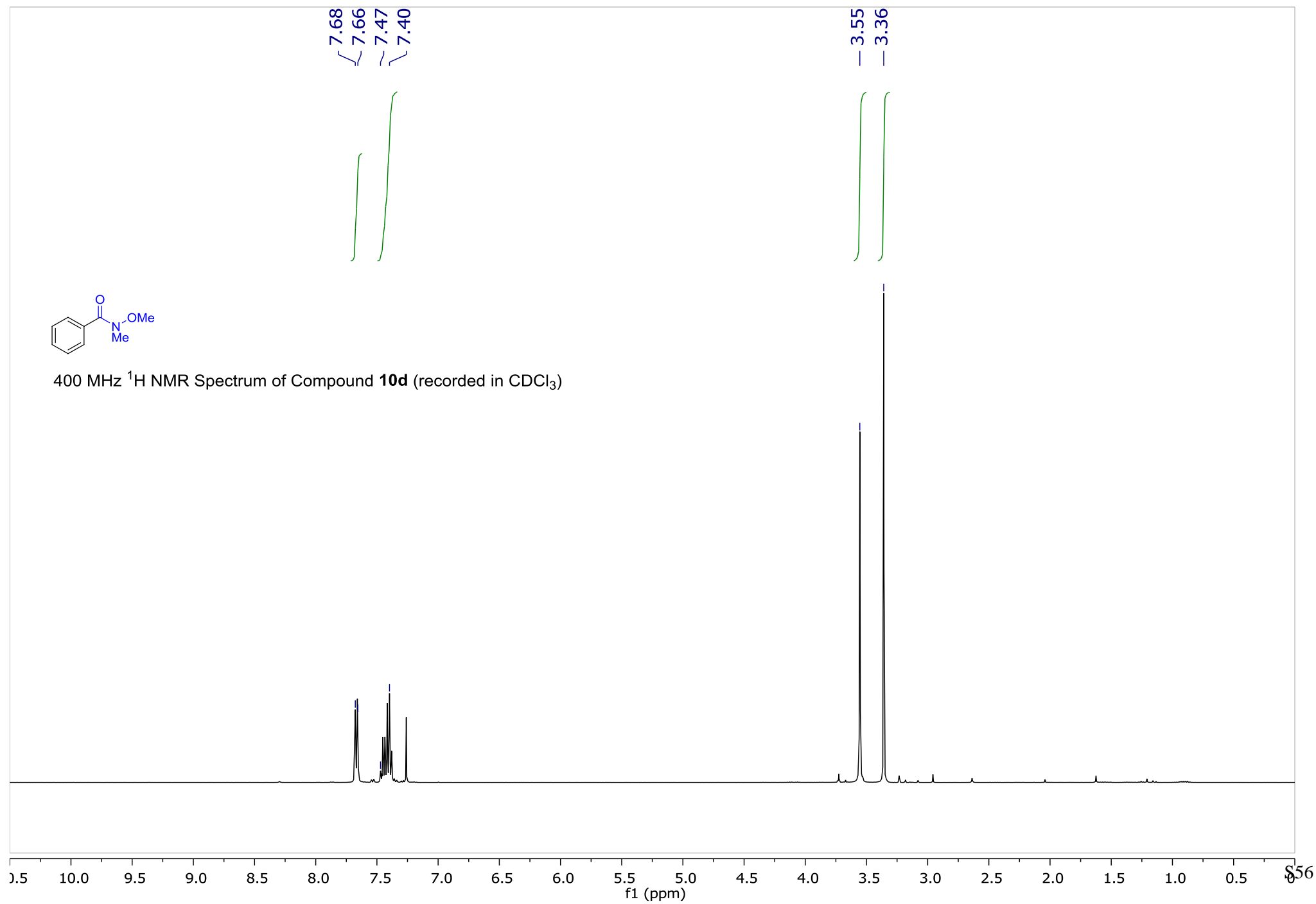


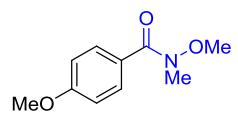
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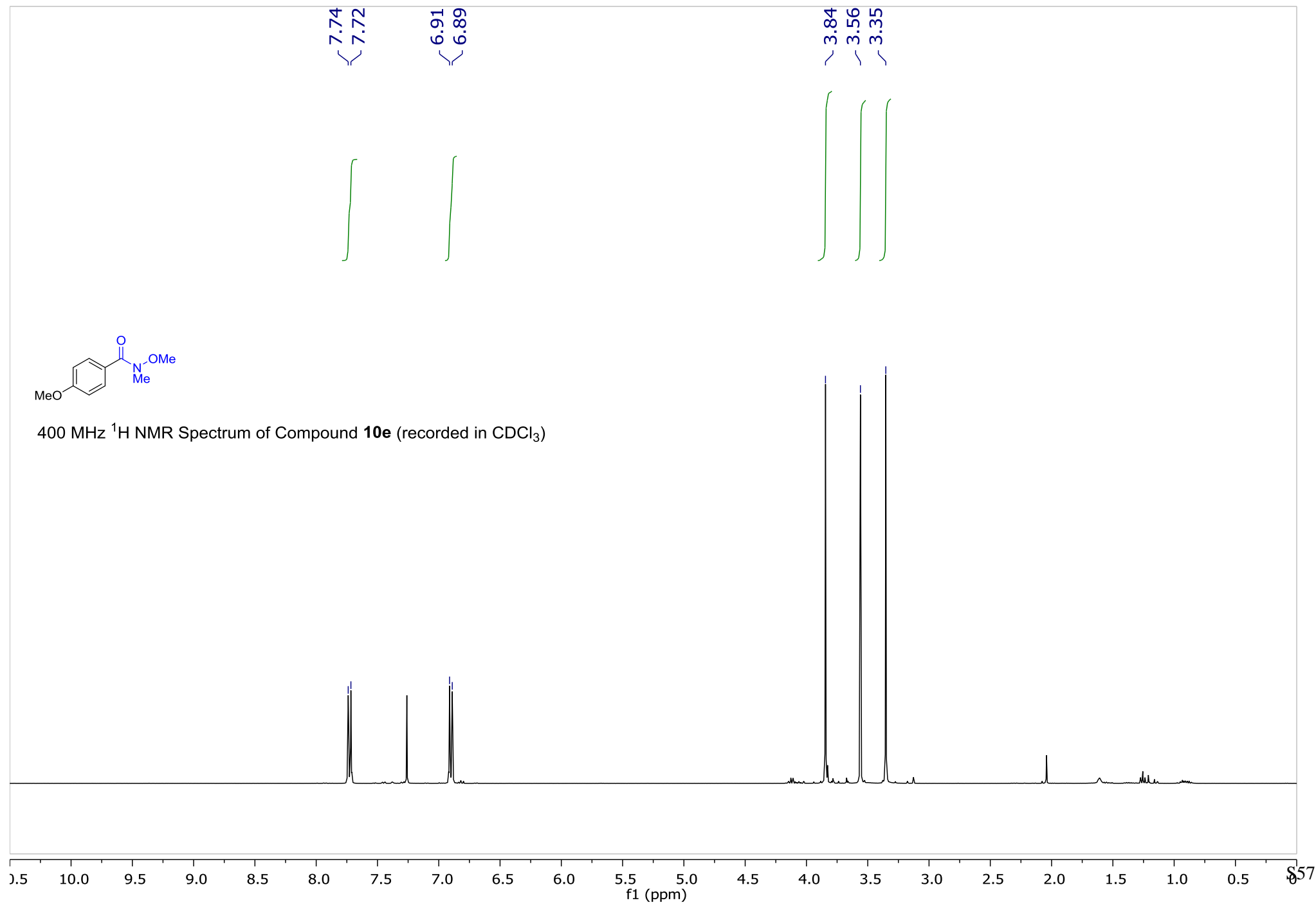


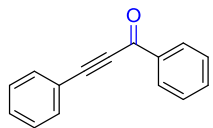
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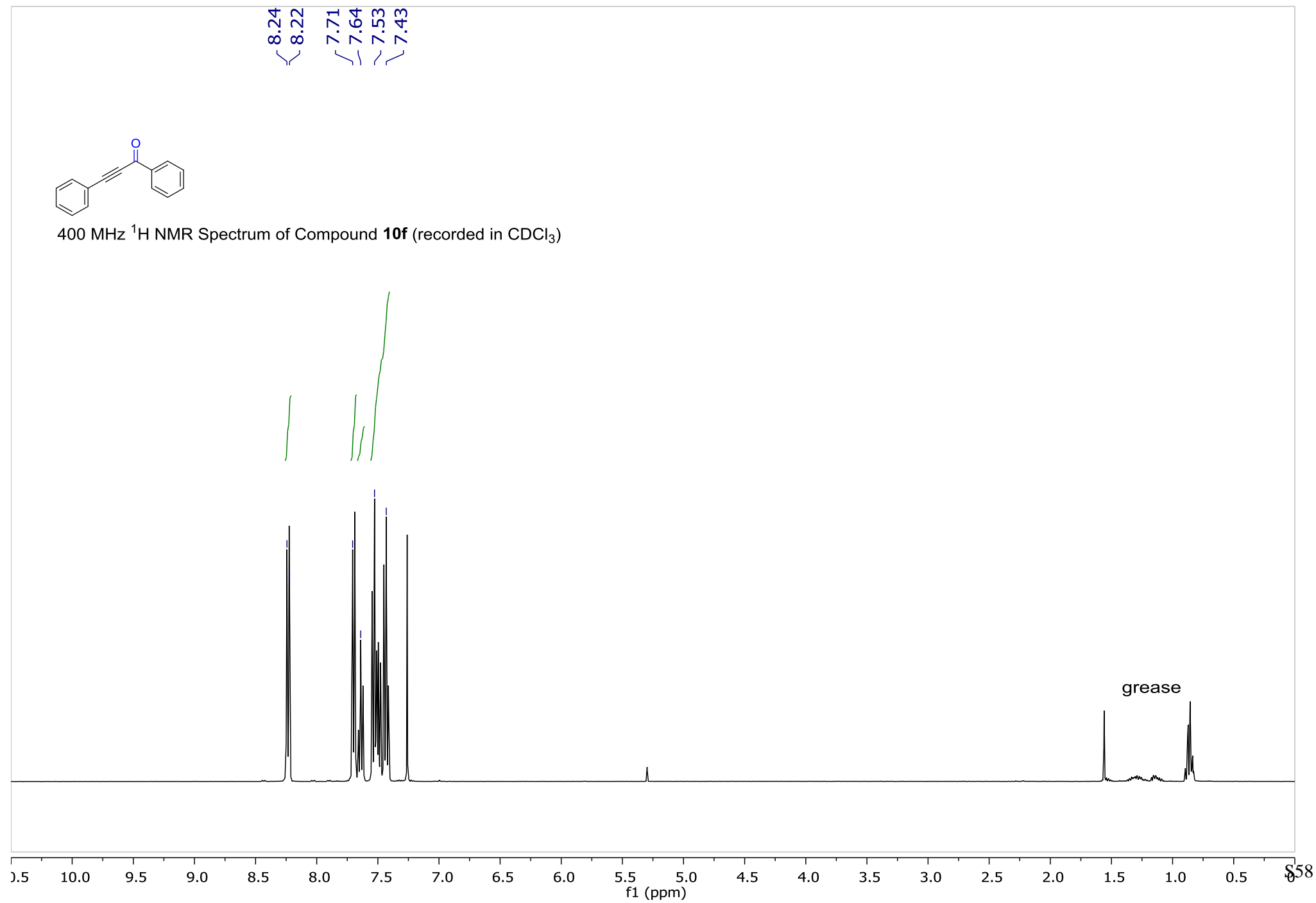


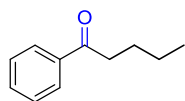
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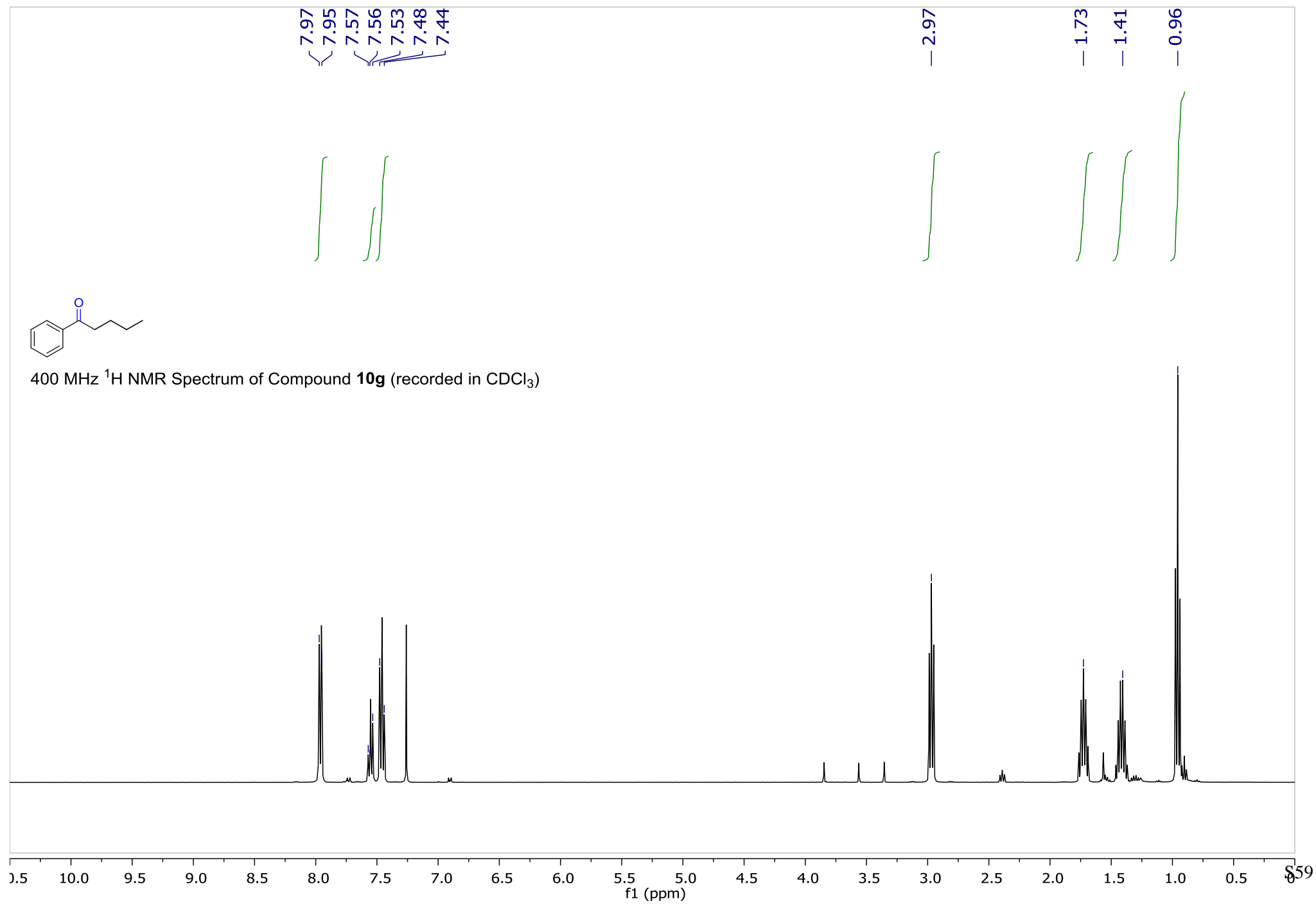


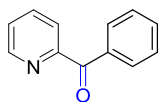
400 MHz ^1H NMR Spectrum of Compound **10f** (recorded in CDCl_3)





400 MHz ^1H NMR Spectrum of Compound **10g** (recorded in CDCl_3)





400 MHz ^1H NMR Spectrum of Compound **10h** (recorded in CDCl_3)

