

Supplementary data

Synthesis and evaluation of novel benzofuran derivatives as selective SIRT2 inhibitors

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1. Synthesis of all intermediate compounds

1.1. General procedure for condensation to generate imine (**2a-b**):

A stirred solution of compound 2-Hydroxy-4-substitutedphenylethanone, ethoxycarbonylhydrazine(1.1 equivalents) and concentrated HCl (0.08 equivalents) in ethanol was boiled for 2 h(monitored by TLC following the consumption of the initial compound) and left at RT overnight .The separated precipitate was filtered off, washed with ethanol, and dried in air.

1.1.1. 2-Hydroxy-4-methoxyacetophenone ethoxycarbonylhydrazone (**2a**): Intermediate **2a** was synthesized by following above mentioned procedure for compound 1-(2-hydroxy-4-methoxyphenyl)ethanone (2.50g, 15.06 mmol) with ethoxycarbonylhydrazine (1.73g, 16.64 mmol) using concentrated HCl (0.10 mL, 1.20 mmol) to afford the pure product as white crystals (3.66 g, 96 %); mp 174-175 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ (ppm): 13.17 (s, 1H), 10.61 (s, 1H), 7.45 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 6.47 – 6.40 (m, 2H), 4.20 (q, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 2.26 (s, 3H), 1.27 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H). HRMS (ESI) Calcd. for C₁₂H₁₇O₄N₂ [M+H]⁺: 253.1183; Found: 253.1182.

1.1.2. 2-Hydroxy-4-fluoroacetophenone ethoxycarbonylhydrazone (**2b**): Intermediate **2b** was synthesized by following above mentioned procedure for compound 1-(2-hydroxy-4-fluorophenyl)ethanone (5.00 g, 32.47 mmol) with ethoxycarbonylhydrazine (3.71 g, 35.71 mmol) using concentrated HCl (0.15 mL, 1.80 mmol) to afford the pure product as white crystals (7.39 g, 95 %); mp 175-177 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 7.39 – 7.36 (m, 1H), 6.69 (dd, *J* = 10.8, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.58 (td, *J* = 8.8, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 4.34 (q, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.26 (s, 3H), 1.38 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 3H).

1.2. General procedure for cyclization to generate 1,2,3-thiadiazole (**3a-b**):

To a solution of compound (**2**) in the mixture of chloroform and DMF(5:1) was dropwise added thionyl chloride(3.2 equivalents). The reaction gradually started to release of heat. reaction mixture became clear.when the reaction was judged to be complete (monitored by TLC following the consumption of the initial compound).On cooling to 20 °C the reaction mixture was diluted with 100 mL of ice water. The organic layer was separated, the aqueous solution was extracted with dichloromethane,the organic layer was dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate,filter and concentrated under reduced pressure, the resulting residue was purified by column chromatograph on silica gel using petroleum ether and ethyl acetate solvent system as eluent to get the pure product.

1.2.1. 4-(2-Hydroxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1,2,3-thiadiazole(**3a**): Intermediate **3a** was synthesized by following above mentioned procedure for intermediate **2a** (4.4g, 17.46 mmol) and thionyl chloride (4.1 mL, 56.16 mmol) to afford the pure product as white crystals (3.33 g, 92 %); mp 113–132 °C, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 8.63 (s, 1H), 7.53 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 6.66 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.58 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 3.85 (s, 3H); HRMS (ESI) Calcd. for C₉H₉O₂N₂S [M+H]⁺: 209.0379; Found: 209.0379.

1.2.2. 4-(2-Hydroxy-4-fluorophenyl)-1,2,3-thiadiazole (**3b**): Intermediate **3b** was synthesized by carrying out above reaction for the intermediate **2b** (5.2 g, 21.67 mmol) and thionyl chloride (4.8 mL, 66.07 mmol) to afford the pure product as white crystals (4.16 g, 98 %); mp 171–172 °C, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 10.86 (br s, 1H), 8.73 (s, 1H), 7.61 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 6.2 Hz, 1H), 6.85 (dd, *J* = 10.0, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.75 – 6.71 (m, 1H).

1.3. General procedure for S-Alkylation to generate thioethers (**5a-j**):

The thiadiazole(**3**) (1 equiv) and anhydrous potassium carbonate (2 equiv) were dissolved in freshly distilled DMF. The reaction mixture was heated at 100 °C and ground for 10 min at stirring (monitoring by TLC following the consumption of the initial compound and by the end of nitrogen liberation). On cooling to 30 °C compound 4-substitute benzyl chloride(1.05 equiv) was added to the reaction mixture. The reaction mixture was stirred for 10 min at 30 °C, then it was poured into 100 mL of water. the aqueous solution was extracted with dichloromethane(4 times),the organic layer was dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate,filter and concentrated under reduced pressure, the resulting residue was purified by column chromatograph on silica gel using petroleum ether and ethyl acetate solvent system as eluent to get the pure product (**5a-f**).

1.3.1. 6-methoxy-2-((4-methoxybenzyl)thio)benzo[*b*]furan (**5a**): Intermediate **5a** was synthesized by following above procedure for the intermediate **3a** (0.624g, 3.0 mmol) ,anhydrous potassium carbonate(0.828g, 6.0 mmol) ,and 4-methoxybenzyl chloride (0.491g, 3.15 mmol) to obtain the product as white crystals (0.827g, 92 %); mp 91-92 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 7.32 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.12 (d, *J* = 8.4, 2H), 6.99 (s, 1H), 6.84 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.79 (d, *J* = 8.8, 2H), 6.61 (s, 1H), 4.06 (s, 2H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 3.77 (s, 3H).

1.3.2. 6-methoxy-2-((4-cyanobenzyl)thio)benzo[*b*]furan (**5b**): Intermediate **5b** was synthesized by following above procedure for the intermediate **3a** (0.728 g, 3.5 mmol) ,anhydrous potassium carbonate(0.97 g, 7.0 mmol) ,and 4-cyanobenzyl bromide (0.686 g, 3.5

mmol) to obtain the product as white crystals (0.993 g, 96%); mp 54-55 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 7.53 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.33 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.29 – 7.23 (m, 2H), 6.96 (s, 1H), 6.85 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.60 (d, *J* = 0.8 Hz, 1H), 4.07 (s, 2H), 3.85 (s, 3H).

1.3.3. 6-methoxy-2-((4-bromobenzyl)thio)benzo[*b*]furan (**5c**): Intermediate **5c** was synthesized by following above procedure for the intermediate **3a** (0.728 g, 3.5 mmol), anhydrous potassium carbonate (0.96 g, 6.96 mmol), and 4-bromobenzyl bromide (0.88 g, 3.5 mmol) to obtain the product as white crystals (1.145 g, 94%); mp 49-50 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 7.37 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.33 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.97 (s, 1H), 6.85 (dd, *J*₁ = 8.4, *J*₂ = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.61 (d, *J* = 0.8, 1H), 4.02 (s, 2H), 3.85 (s, 3H).

1.3.4. 6-methoxy-2-((4-fluorobenzyl)thio)benzo[*b*]furan (**5d**): Intermediate **5d** was synthesized by following above procedure for the intermediate **3a** (0.624 g, 3.0 mmol), anhydrous potassium carbonate (0.828 g, 6.0 mmol), and 4-fluorobenzyl bromide (0.595 g, 3.15 mmol) to obtain the product as colourless oil (0.812 g, 94%); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 7.32 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.16 – 7.12 (m, 2H), 6.97 (s, 1H), 6.93 (t, *J* = 8.4, 2H), 6.84 (dd, *J*₁ = 8.8, *J*₂ = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.60 (s, 1H), 4.05 (s, 2H), 3.85 (s, 3H).

1.3.5. 6-methoxy-2-((4-methoxycarbonylbenzyl)thio)benzo[*b*]furan (**5e**): Intermediate **5e** was synthesized by following above procedure for the intermediate **3a** (0.728 g, 3.5 mmol), anhydrous potassium carbonate (0.97 g, 7.0 mmol), and Methyl 4-(bromomethyl)benzoate (0.801 g, 3.5 mmol) to obtain the product as light white solid (1.099 g, 95%); mp 77-78 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 7.92 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.31 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.25 – 7.22 (m, 2H), 6.97 (d, *J* = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 6.84 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.59 (s, 1H), 4.10 (s, 2H), 3.89 (s, 3H), 3.85 (s, 3H).

1.3.6. 6-fluoro-2-((4-methoxybenzyl)thio)benzo[*b*]furan (**5f**): Intermediate **5f** was synthesized by following above procedure for the intermediate **3b** (0.882 g, 4.5 mmol), anhydrous potassium carbonate (1.24 g, 9.0 mmol), and 4-methoxybenzyl bromide (0.737 g, 4.72 mmol) to obtain the product as Light-yellow crystals (1.199 g, 93%); mp 78-79 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 7.37 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.13 (d, *J* = 8.8, 2H), 7.00 – 6.95 (m, 1H), 6.82 – 6.77 (m, 2H), 6.63 (s, 1H), 4.09 (s, 2H), 3.77 (s, 3H).

1.3.7. 6-fluoro-2-((4-cyanobenzyl)thio)benzo[**b**]furan (**5g**): Intermediate **5g** was synthesized by following above procedure for the intermediate **3b** (0.882 g, 4.5 mmol), anhydrous potassium carbonate (1.24 g, 9.0 mmol), and 4-cyanobenzyl bromide (0.926 g, 4.73 mmol) to obtain the product as white crystals (1.199 g, 94%); mp 85-86 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 7.40 – 7.36 (m, 3H), 7.17 (dd, *J*₁ = 8.8, *J*₂ = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.06 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.01 – 6.95 (m, 1H), 6.64 (d, *J* = 0.8 Hz, 1H), 4.05 (s, 2H).

1.3.8. 6-fluoro-2-((4-bromobenzyl)thio)benzo[**b**]furan (**5h**): Intermediate **5h** was synthesized by following above procedure for the intermediate **3b** (0.882 g, 4.5 mmol), anhydrous potassium carbonate (1.24 g, 9.0 mmol), and 4-bromobenzyl bromide (1.181 g, 4.73 mmol) to obtain the product as white crystals (1.423 g, 94%); mp 100-101.5 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 7.54 (d, *J* = 8.0, 2H), 7.39 (dd, *J*₁ = 8.8, *J*₂ = 5.6 Hz, 1H), 7.27 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.16 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.02 – 6.96 (m, 1H), 6.63 (d, *J* = 0.8 Hz, 1H), 4.12 (s, 2H).

1.3.9. 6-fluoro-2-((4-fluorobenzyl)thio)benzo[**b**]furan (**5i**): Intermediate **5i** was synthesized by following above procedure for the intermediate **3b** (0.882 g, 4.5 mmol), anhydrous potassium carbonate (1.24 g, 9.0 mmol), and 4-fluorobenzyl bromide (0.893 g, 4.73 mmol) to obtain the product as white crystals (1.151 g, 93%); mp 55.5-57 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 7.35 (dd, *J*₁ = 8.4, *J*₂ = 5.6 Hz, 1H), 7.17 – 7.12 (m, 3H), 7.00 – 6.88 (m, 3H), 6.61 (d, *J* = 0.8 Hz, 1H), 4.07 (s, 2H).

1.3.10. 6-fluoro-2-((4-methoxycarbonylbenzyl)thio)benzo[**b**]furan (**5j**): Intermediate **5j** was synthesized by following above procedure for the intermediate **3b** (0.882 g, 4.5 mmol), anhydrous potassium carbonate (1.24 g, 9.0 mmol), and Methyl 4-(bromomethyl)benzoate (1.082 g, 4.73 mmol) to obtain the product as white crystals (1.388 g, 97%); mp 91.5-93 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 7.93 (d, *J* = 8.0, 2H), 7.37 (dd, *J*₁ = 8.4, *J*₂ = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 7.28 – 7.23 (m, 2H), 7.16 (dd, *J*₁ = 8.8, *J*₂ = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.00 – 6.95 (m, 1H), 6.62 (d, *J* = 0.8 Hz, 1H), 4.13 (s, 2H), 3.89 (s, 3H).

2. Representative NMR spectra

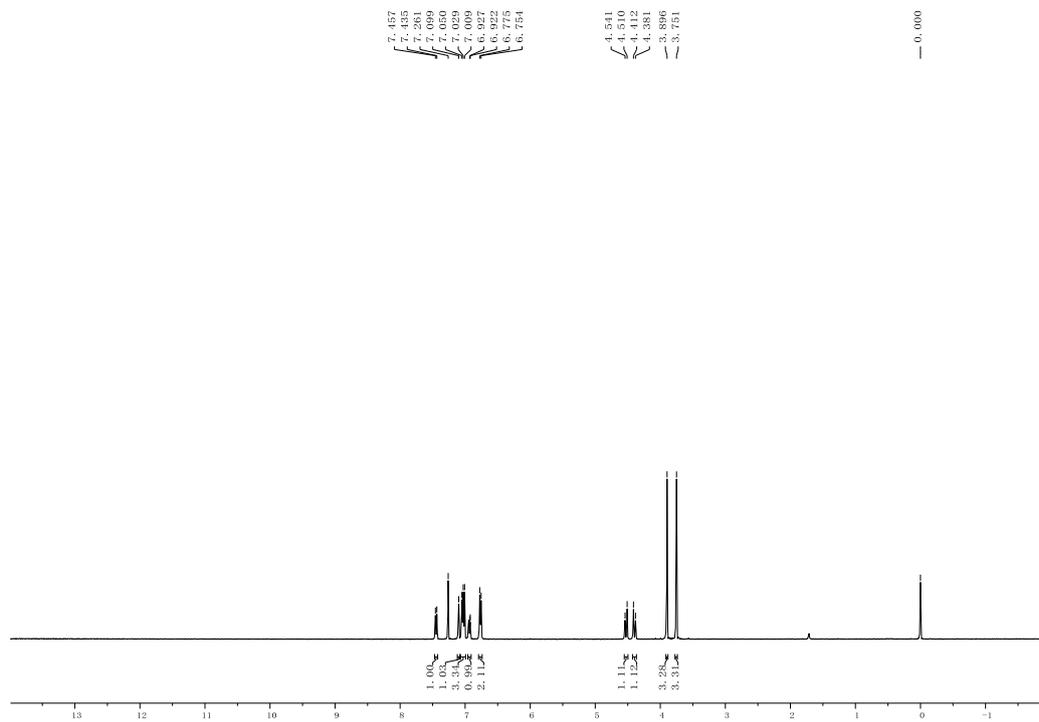


Figure S1. ¹H NMR spectrum of 6a (400 MHz, CDCl₃)

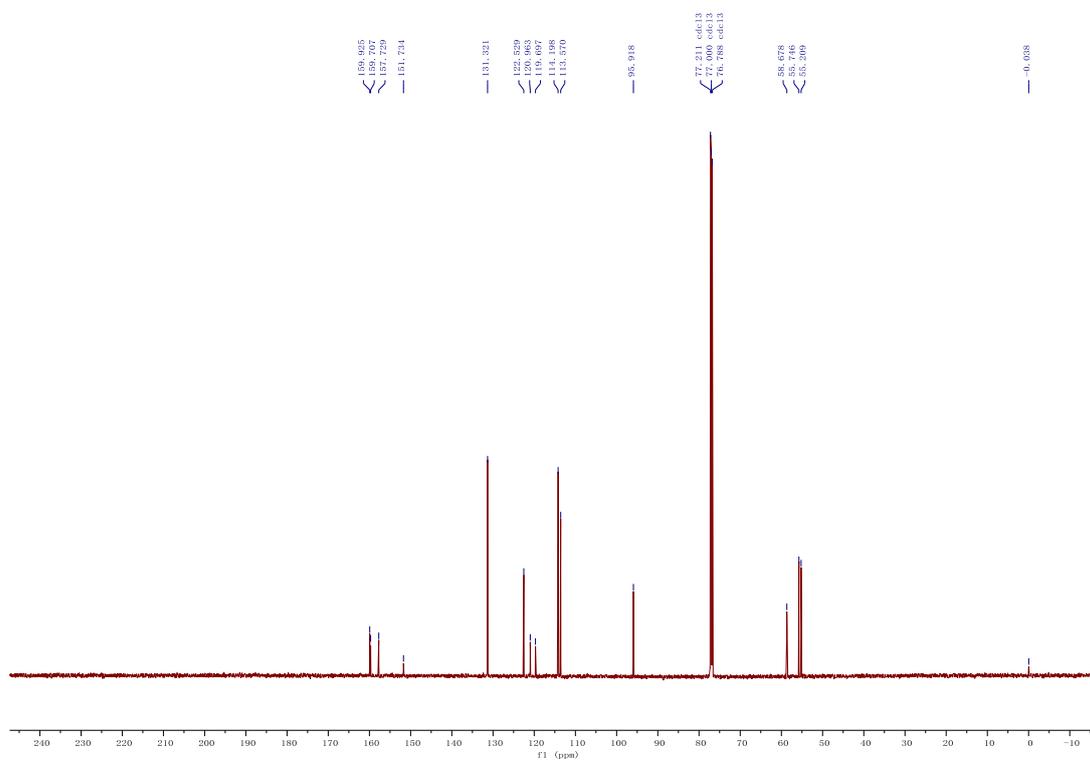


Figure S2. ¹³C NMR spectrum of 6a.

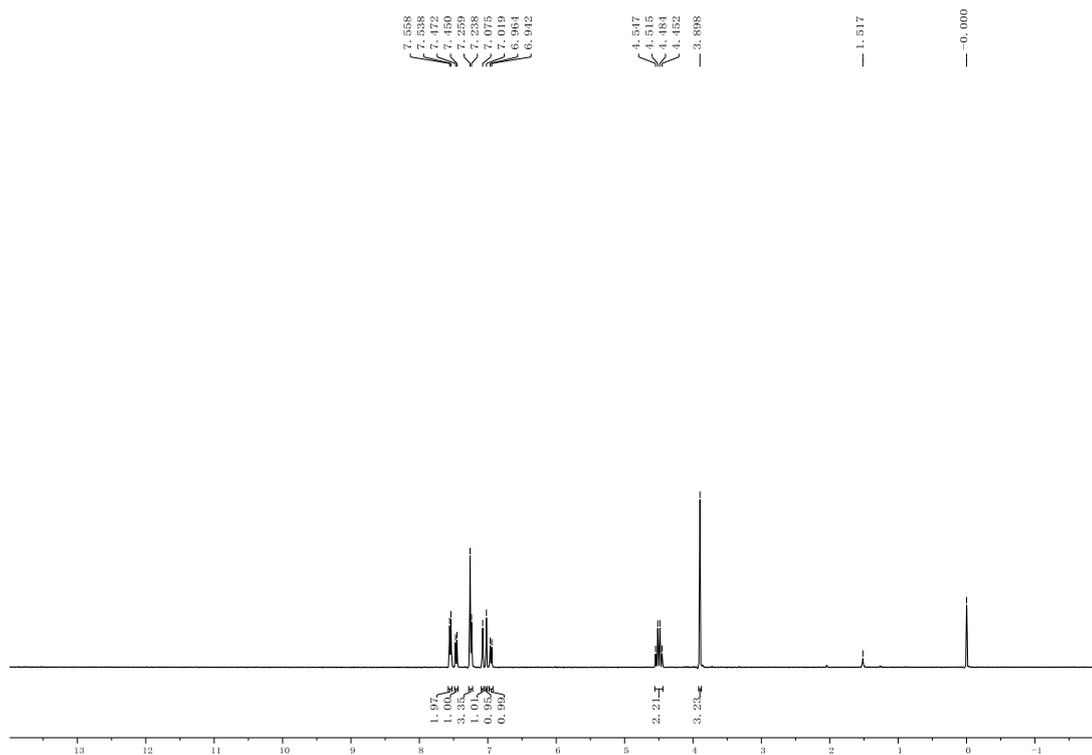


Figure S3. ^1H NMR spectrum of **6b** (400 MHz, CDCl_3)

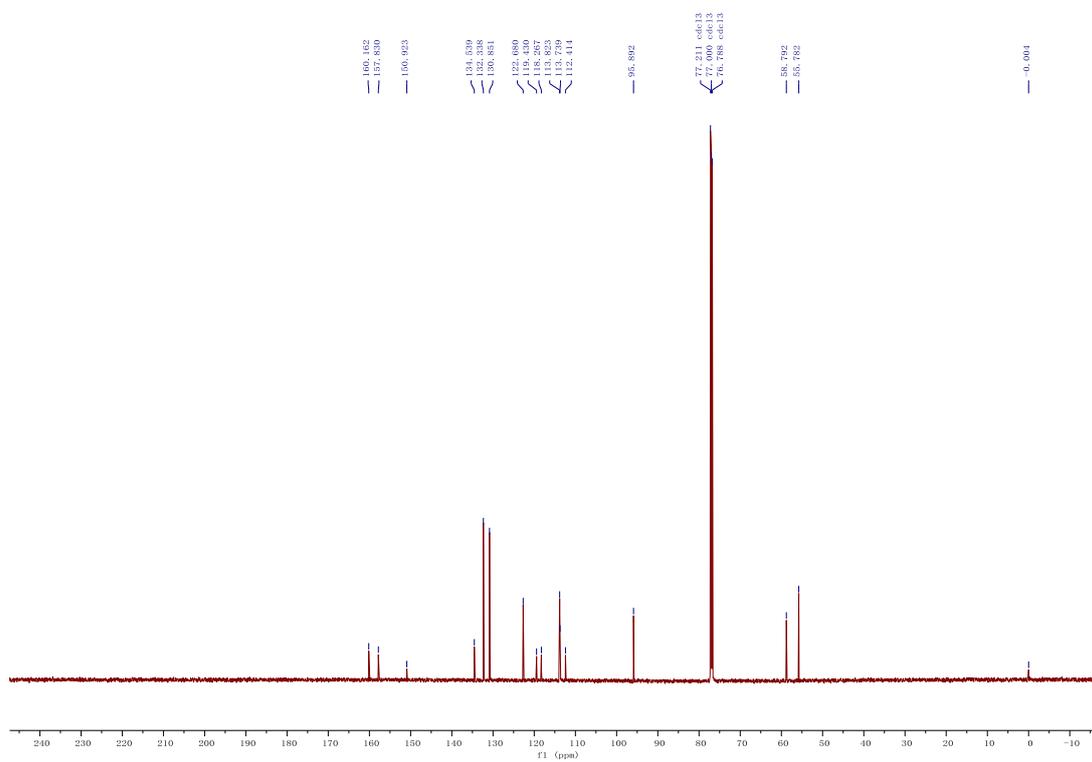


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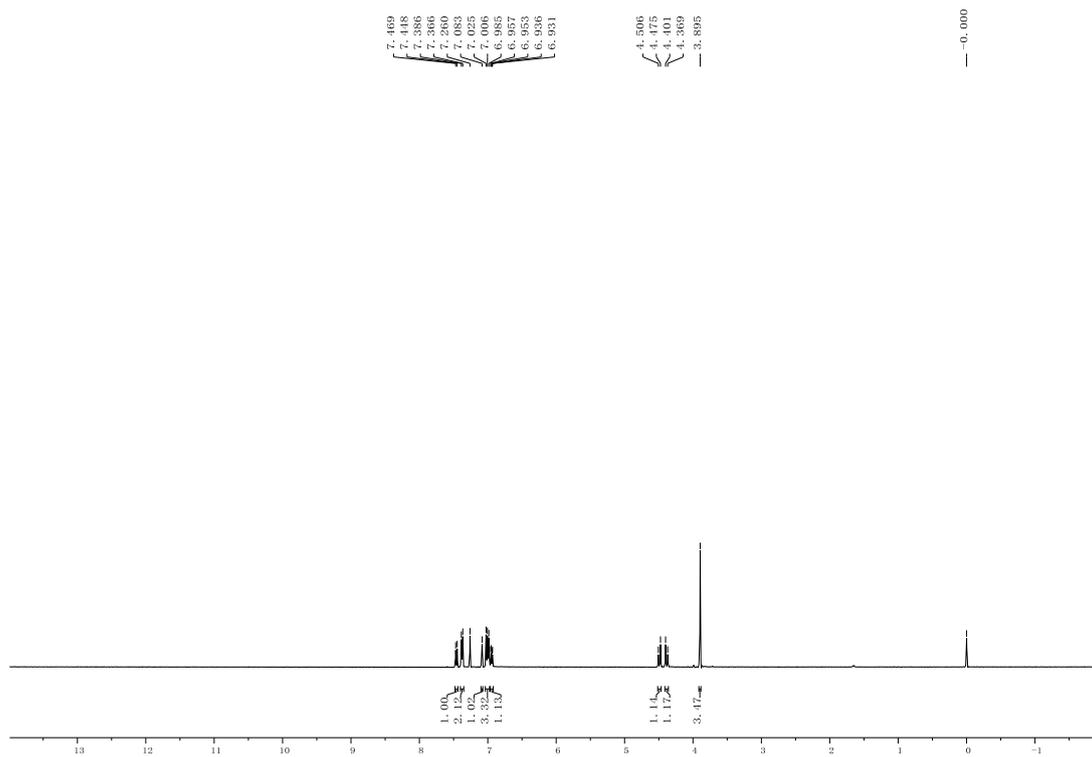


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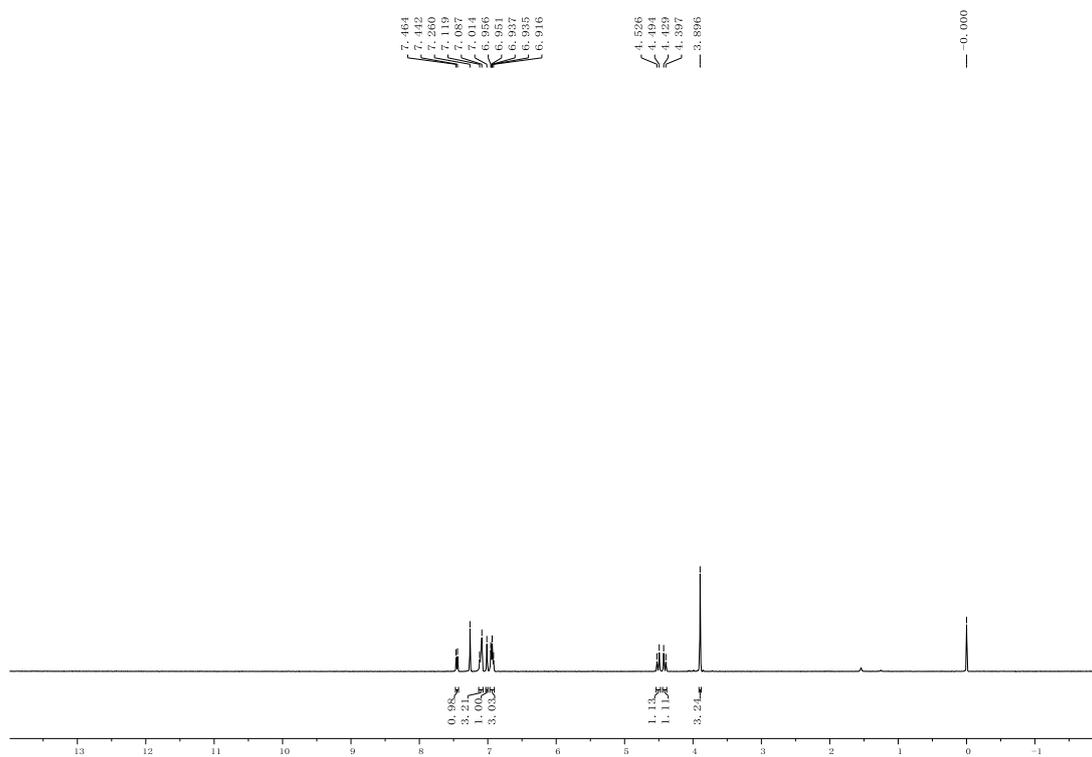


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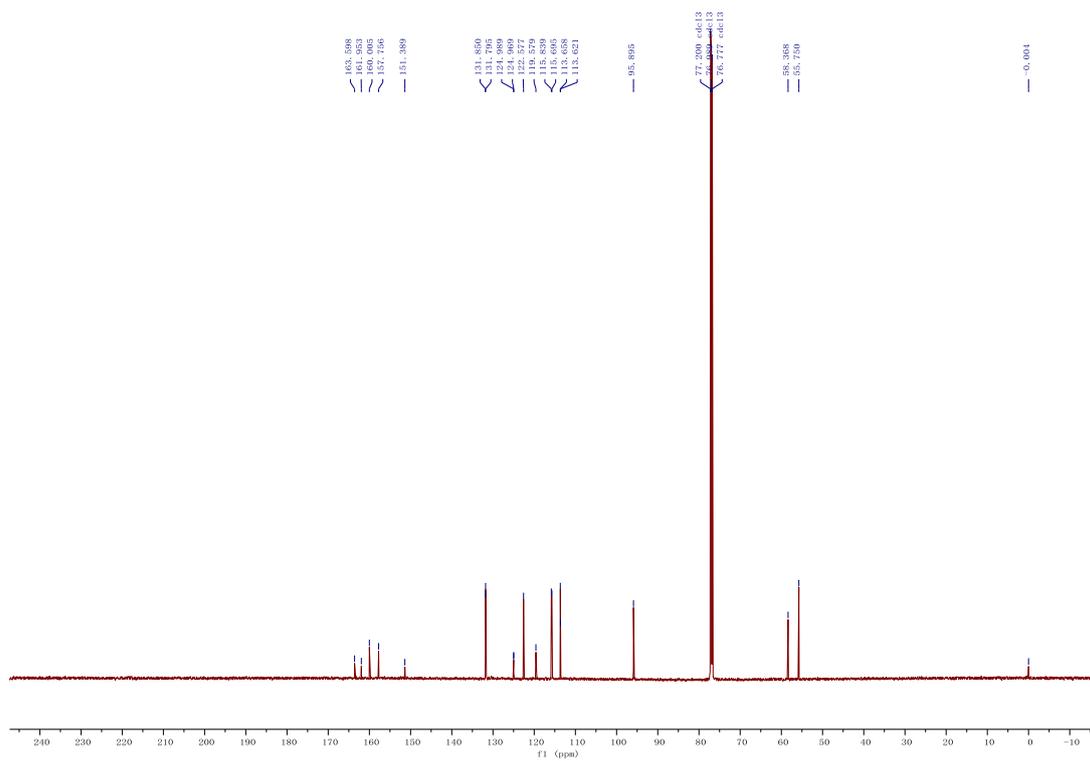


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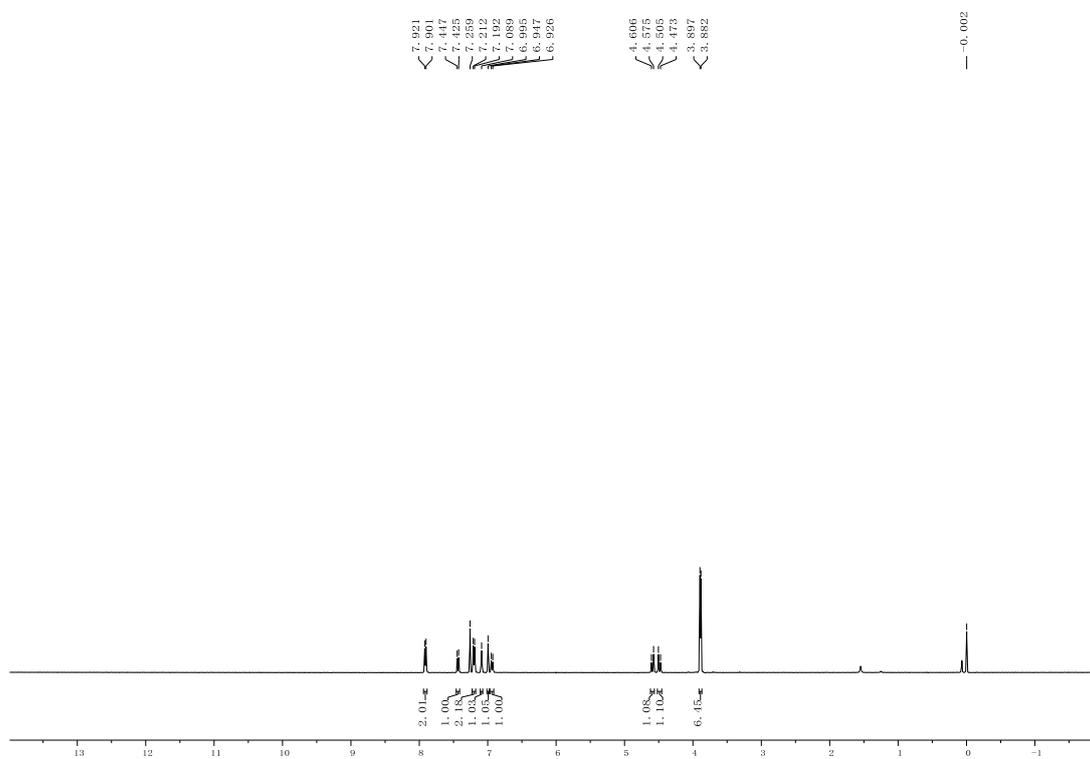


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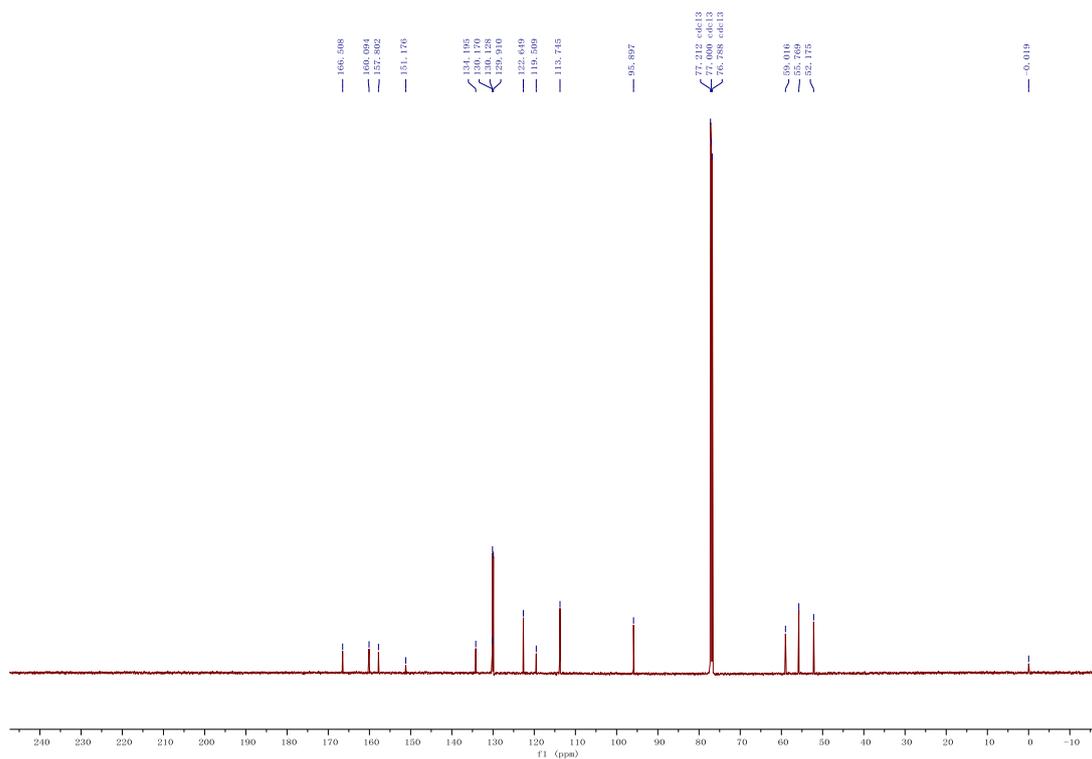


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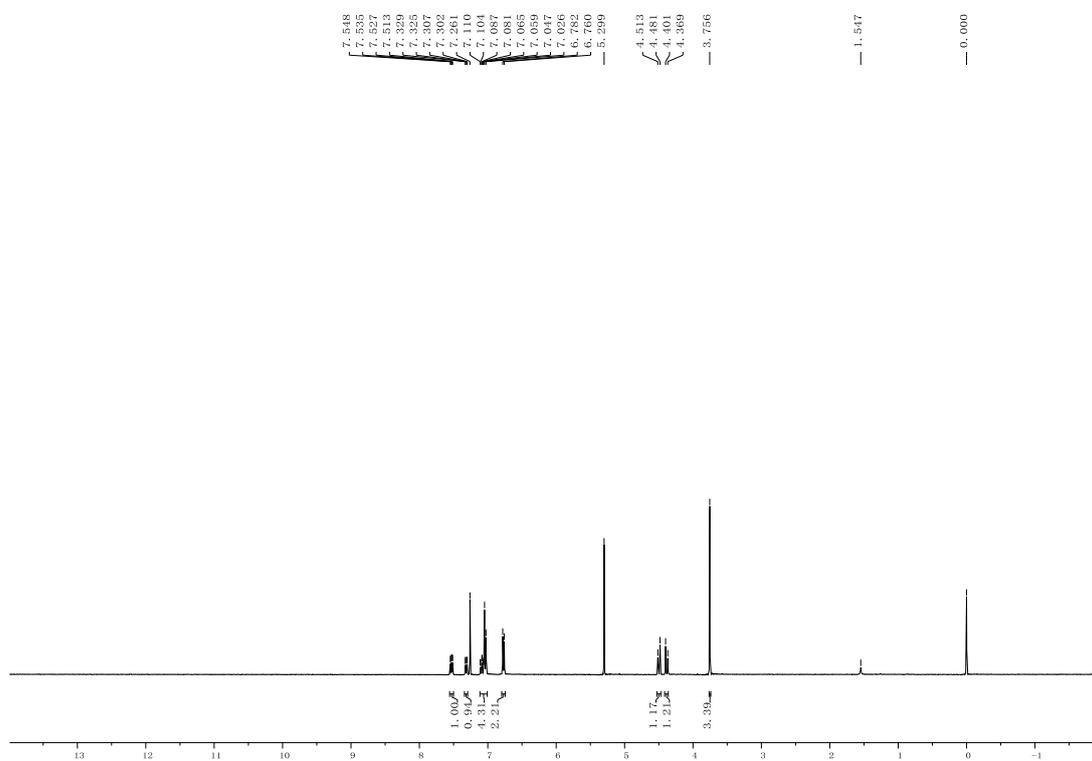


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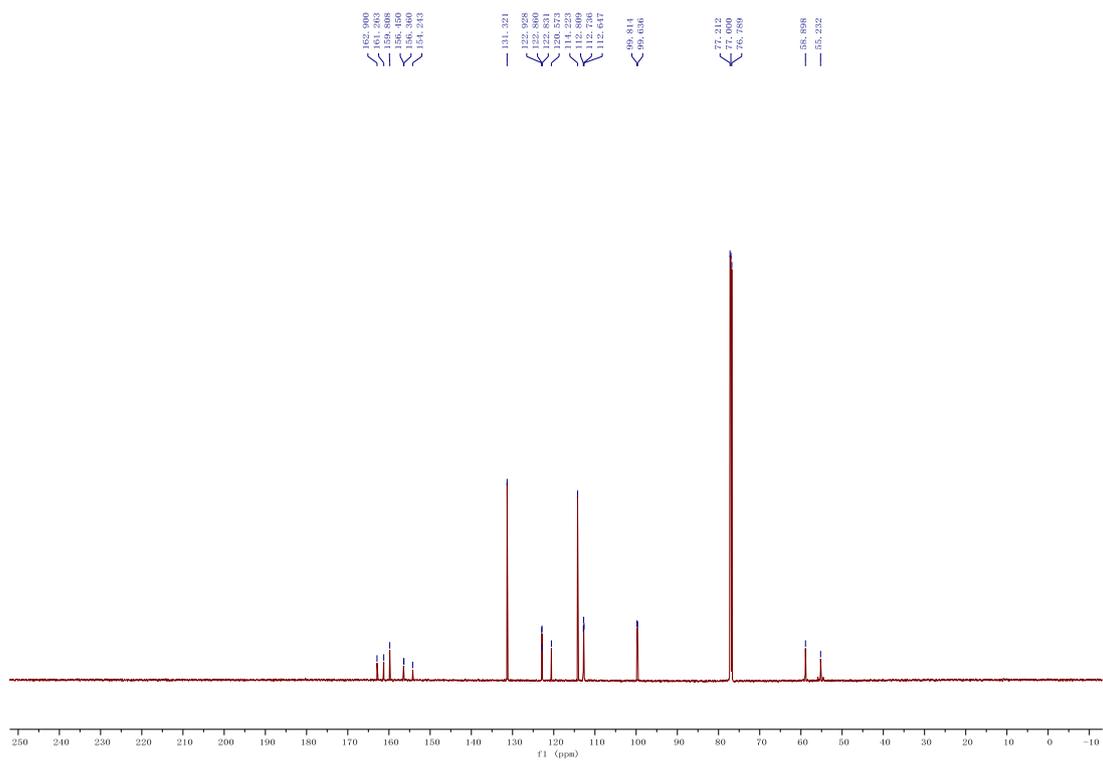


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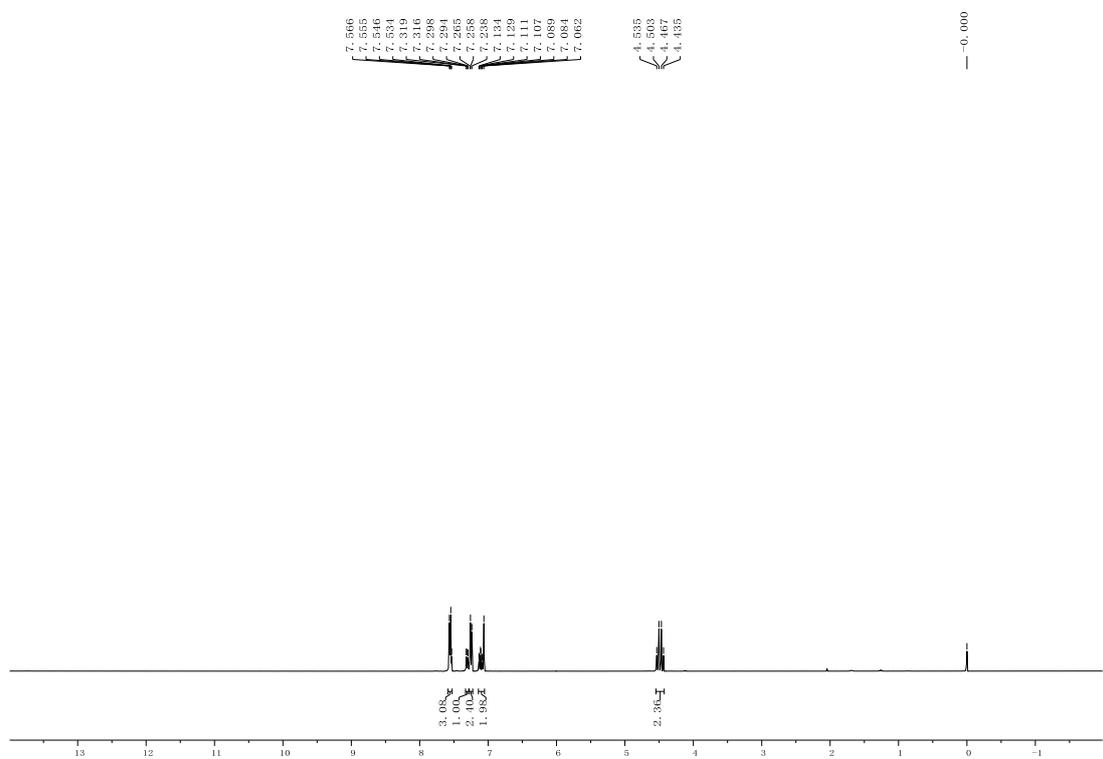


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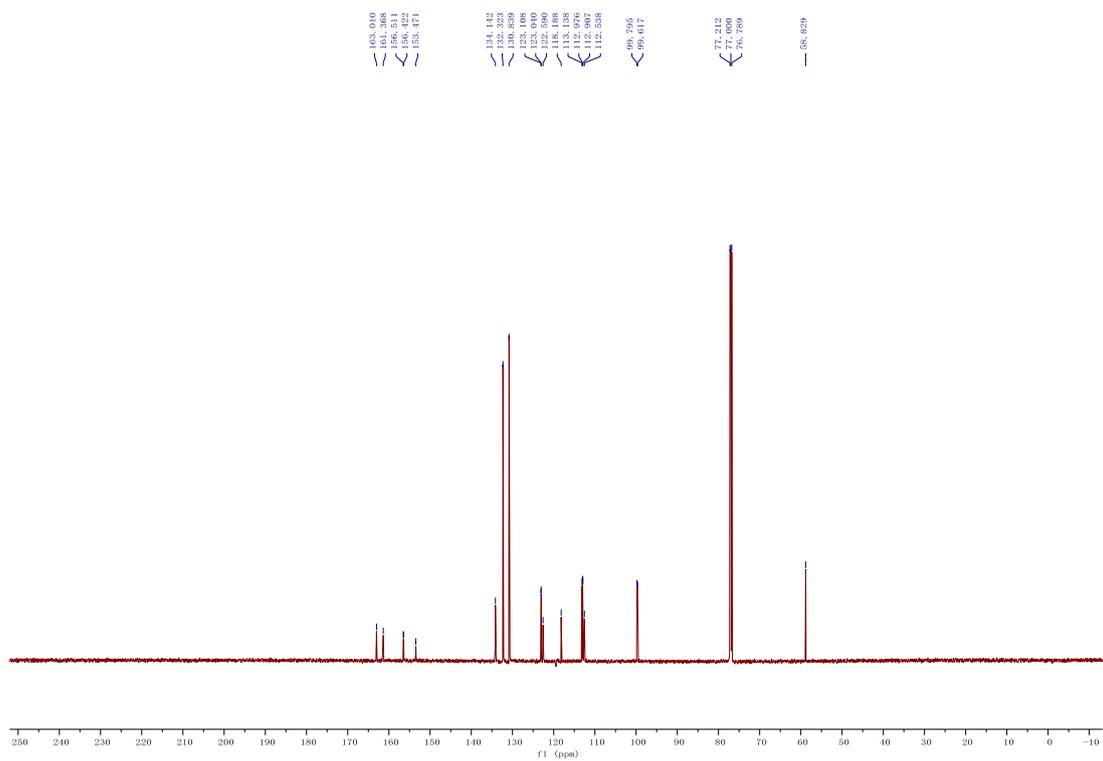


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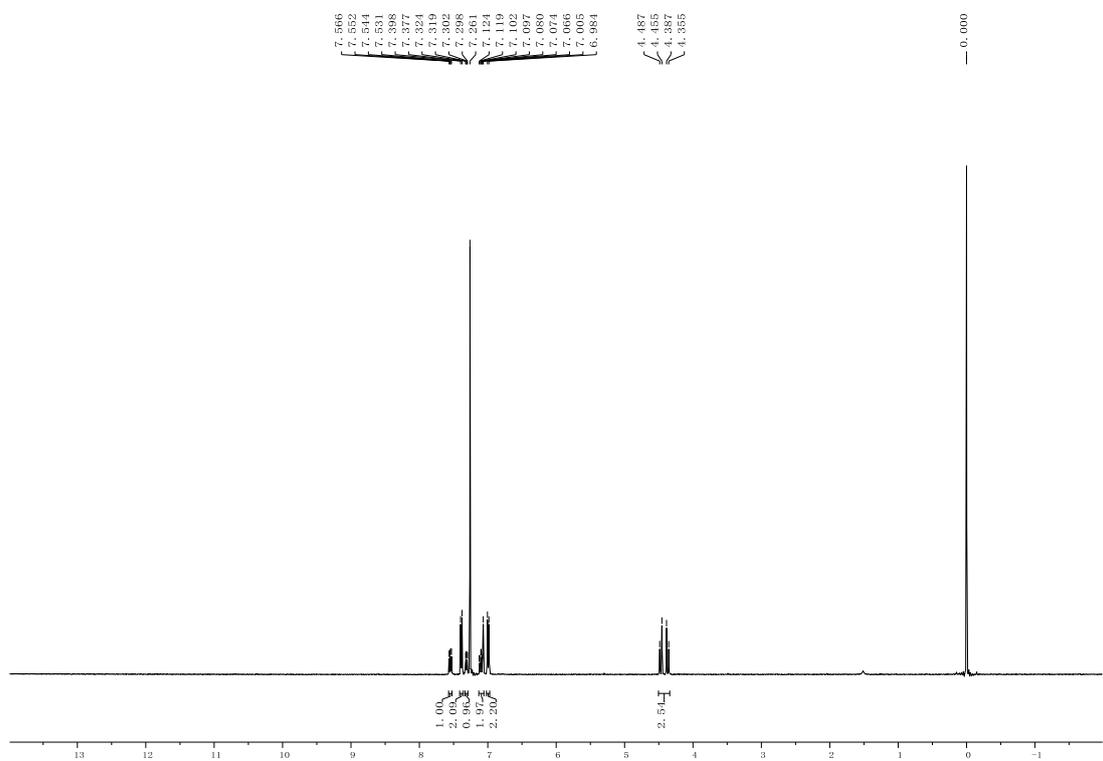


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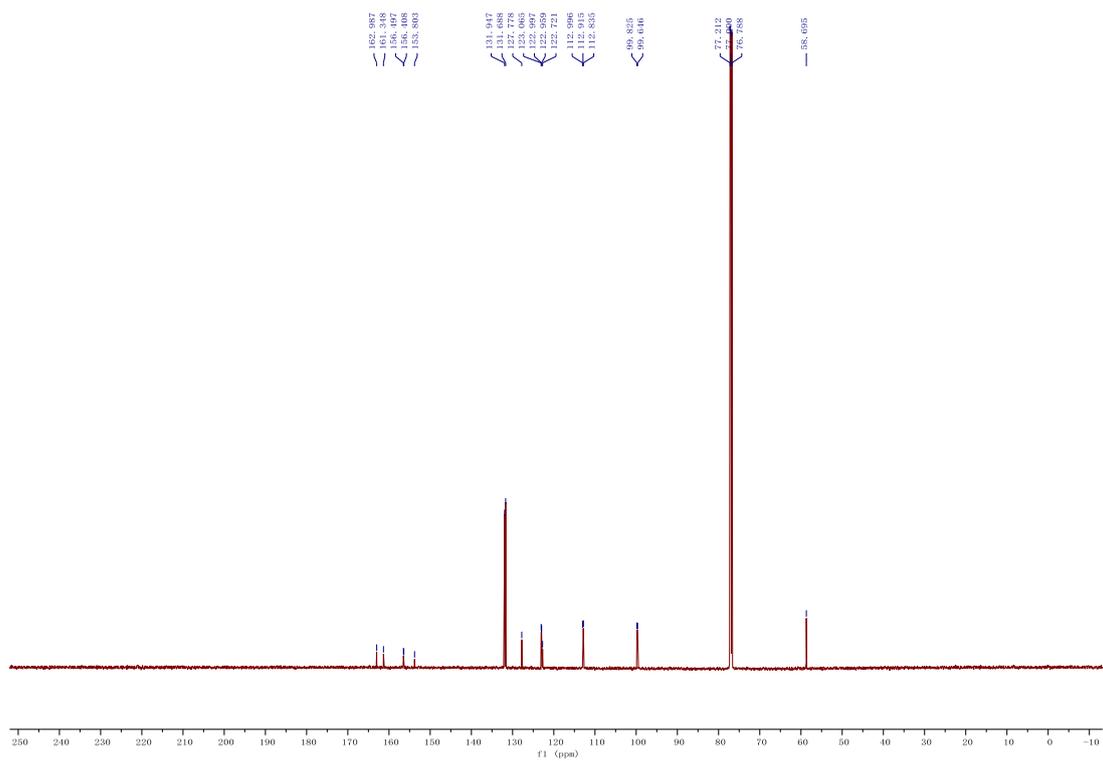


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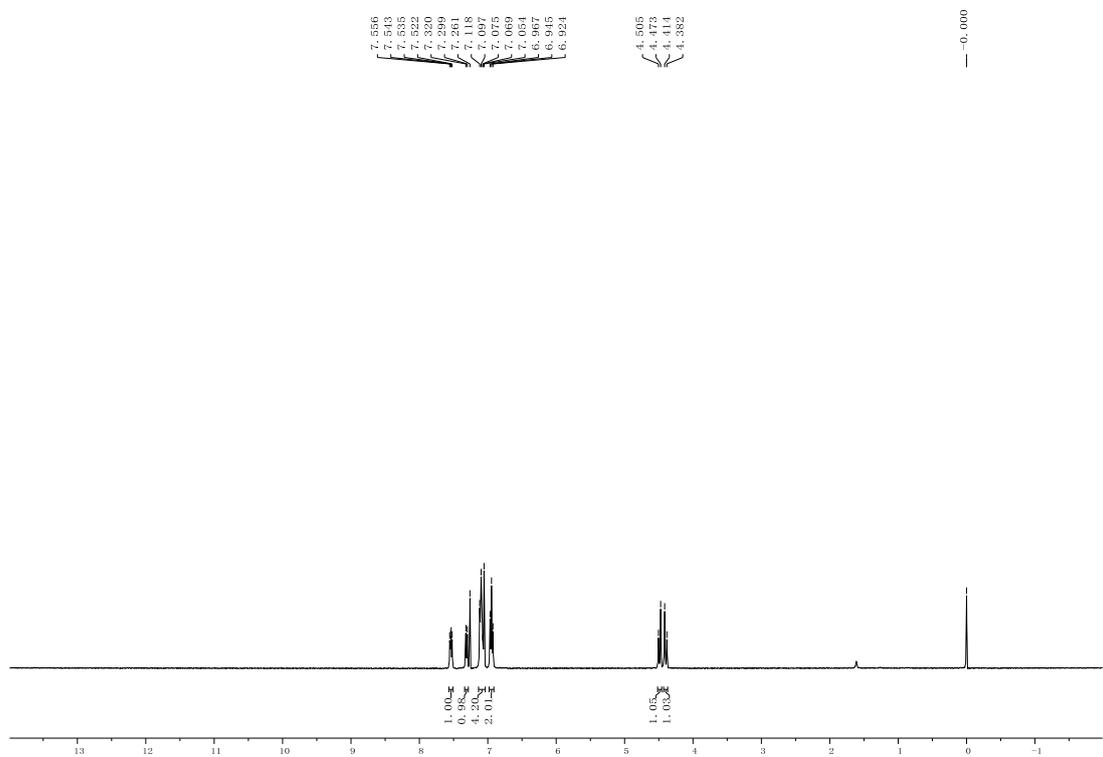


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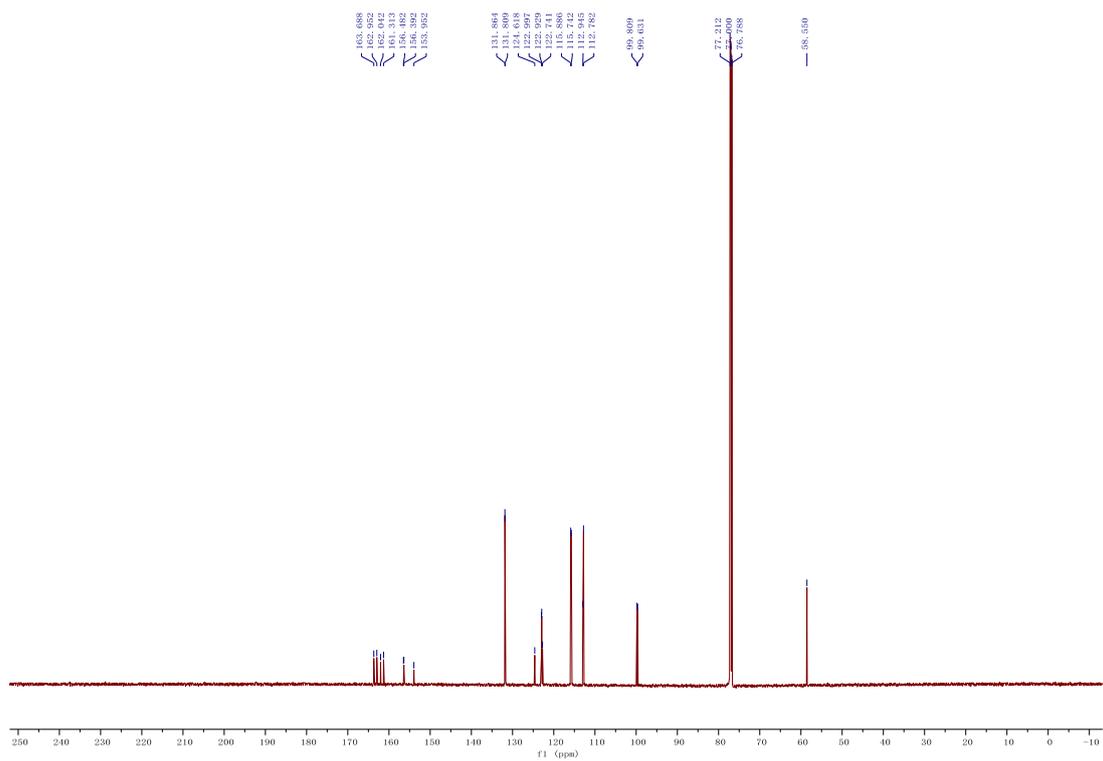


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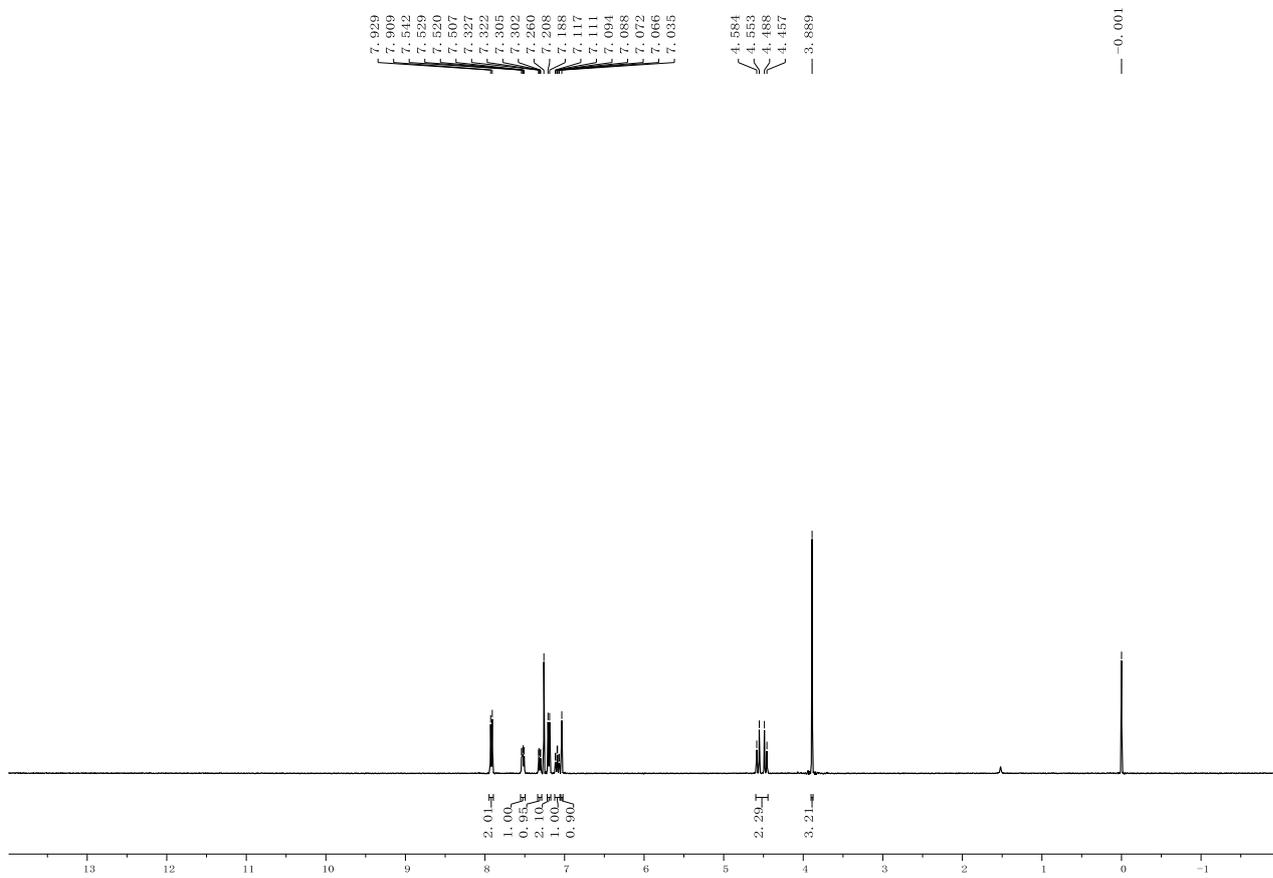


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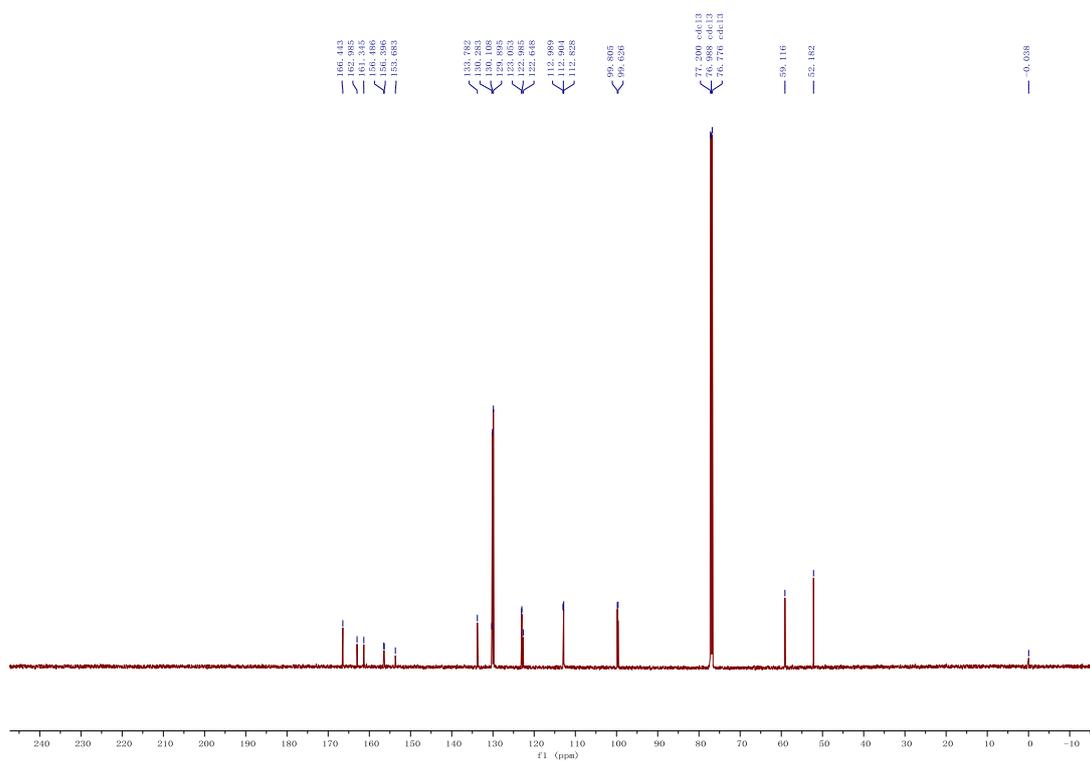


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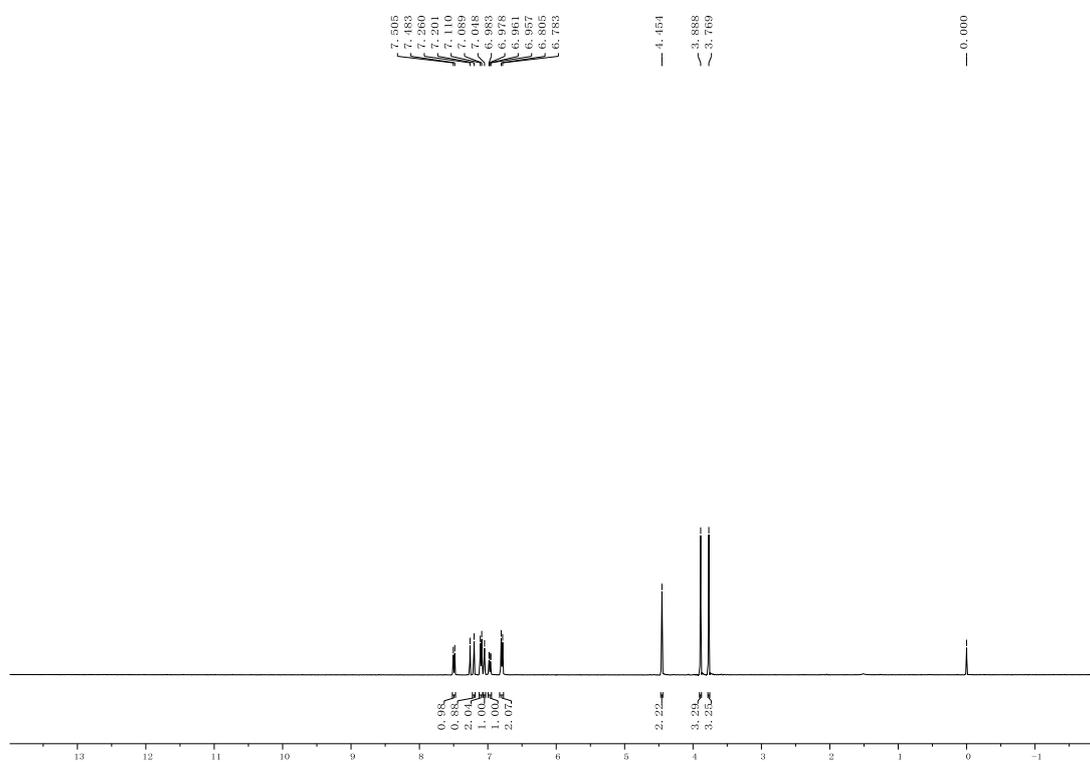


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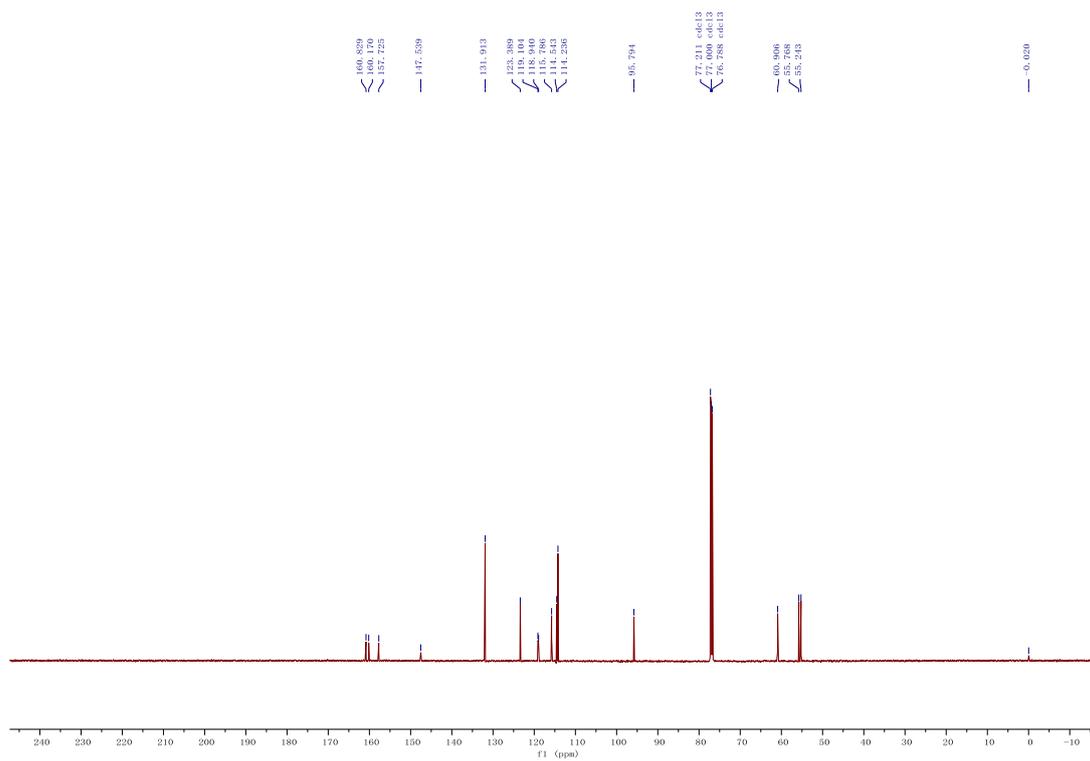


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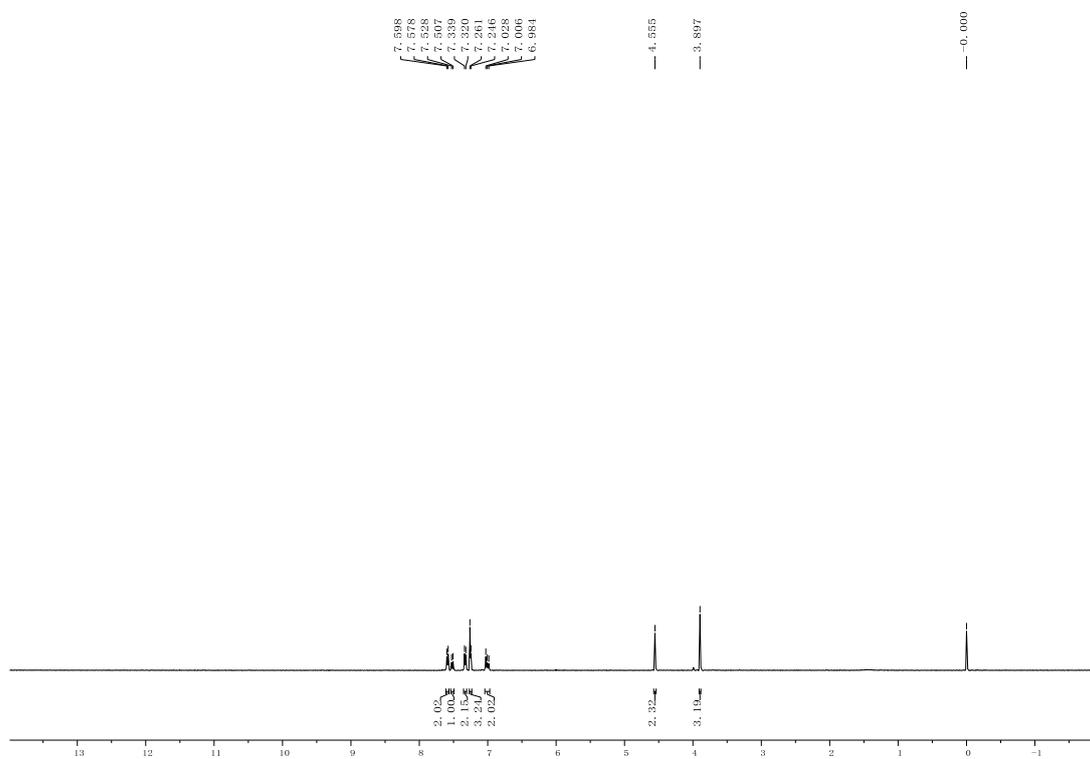


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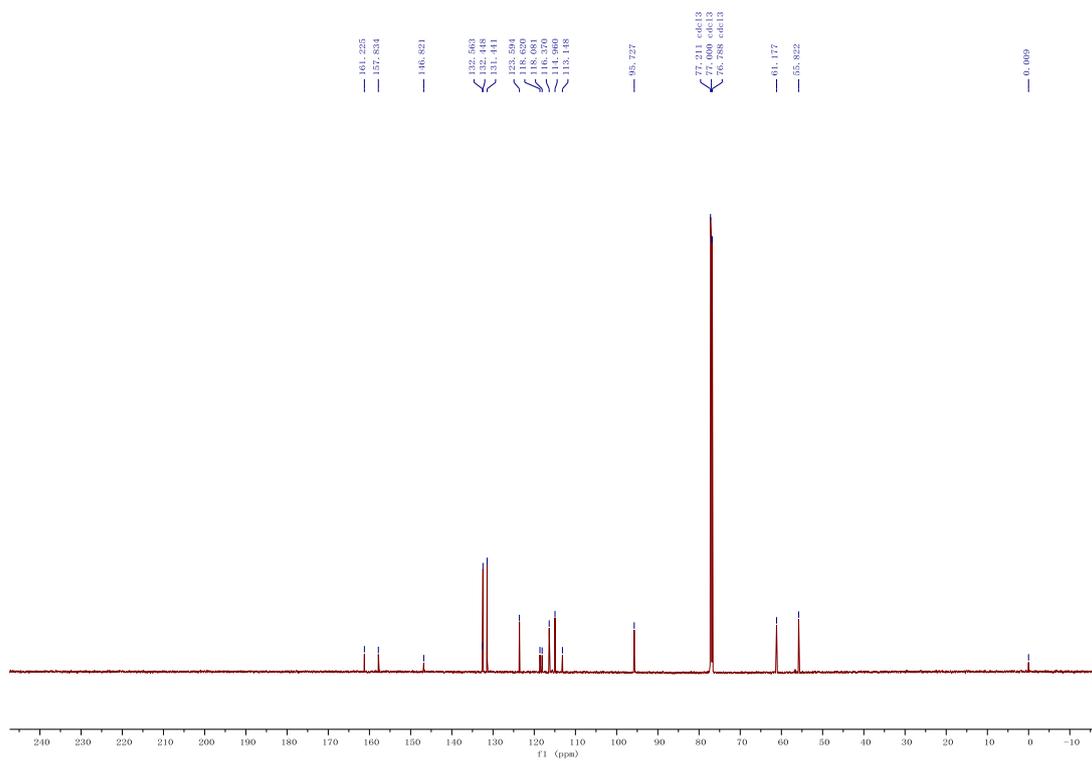


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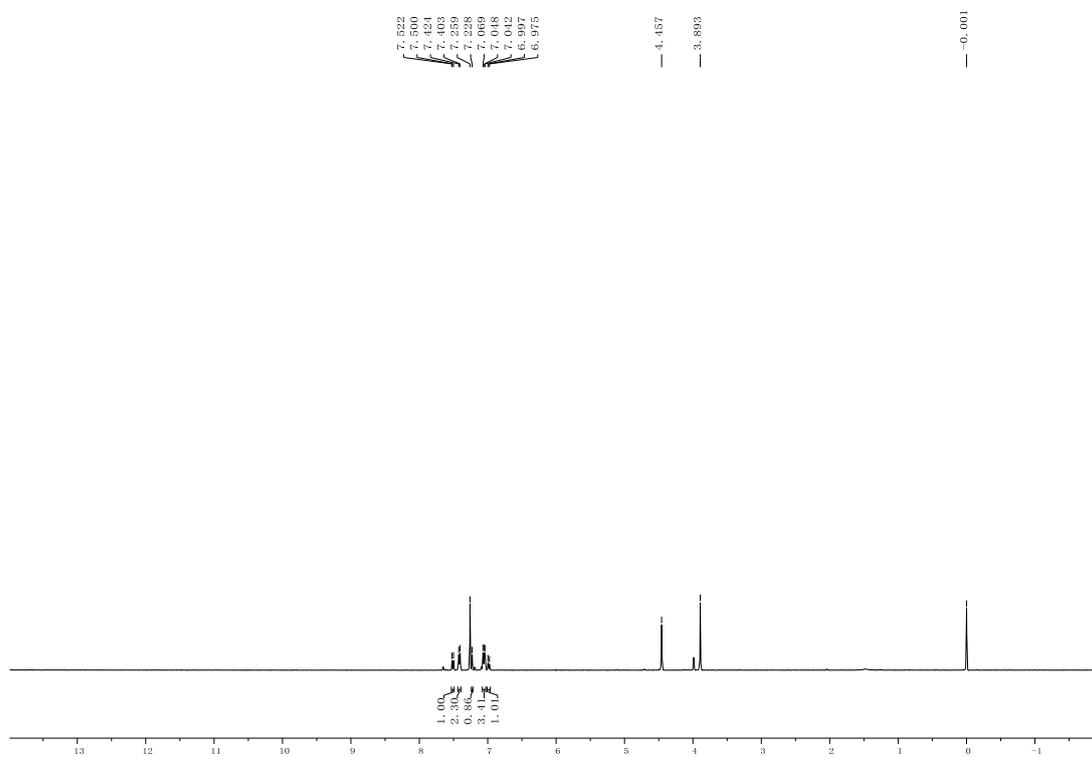


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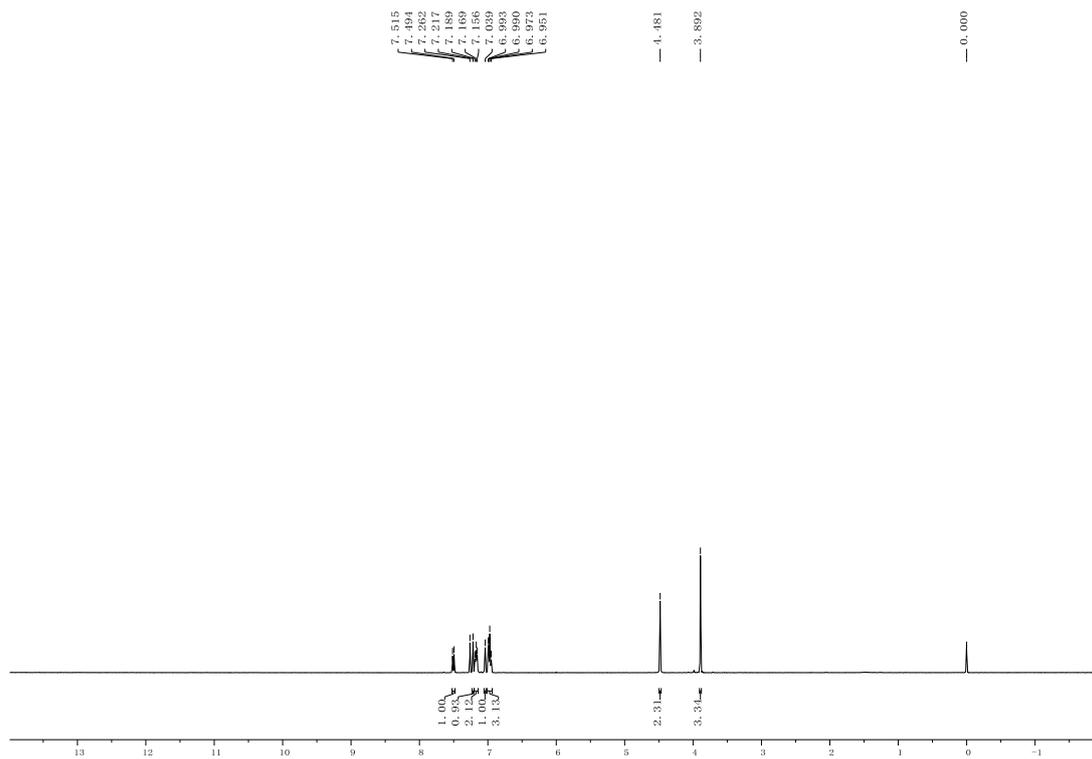


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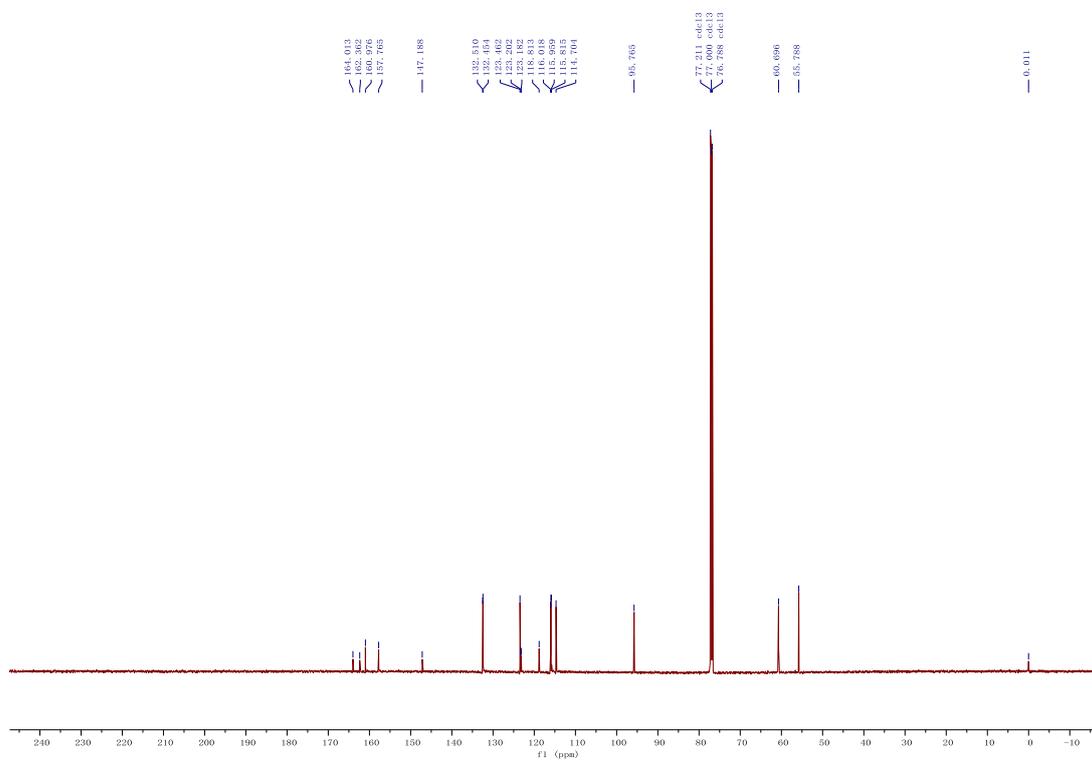


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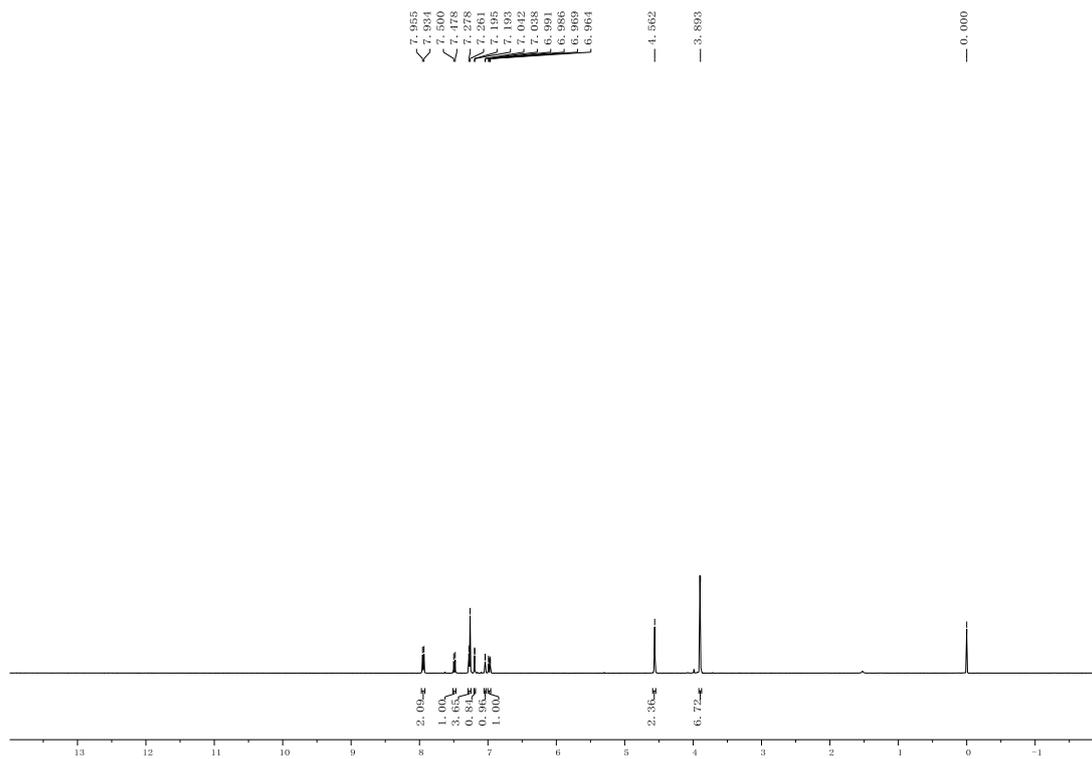


Figure S27. ^1H NMR spectrum of 7e.

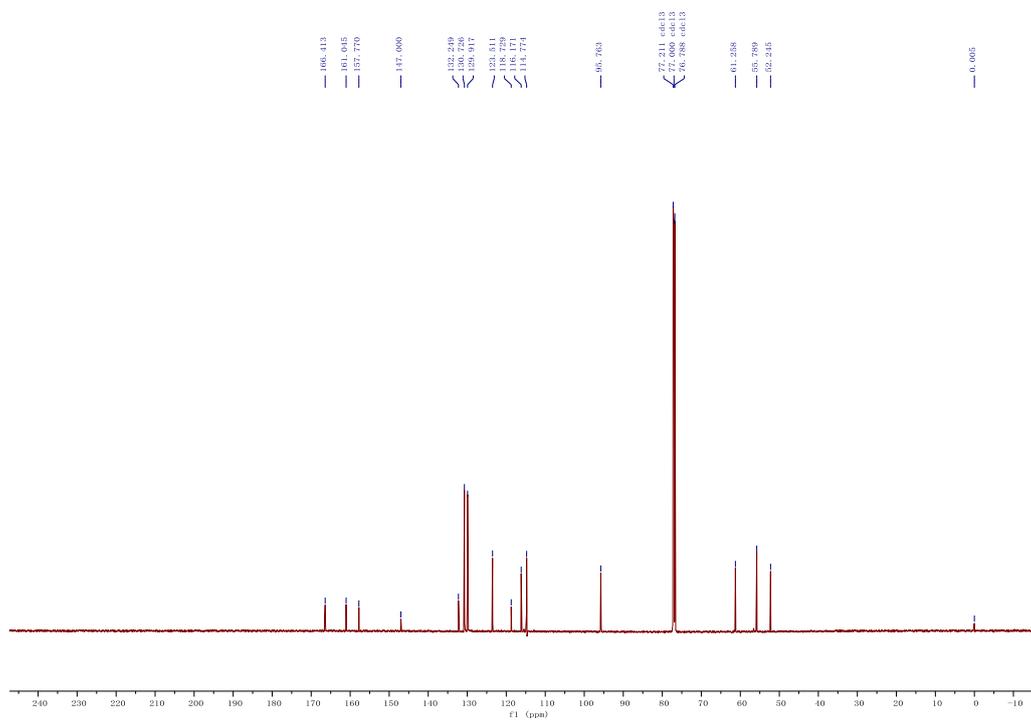


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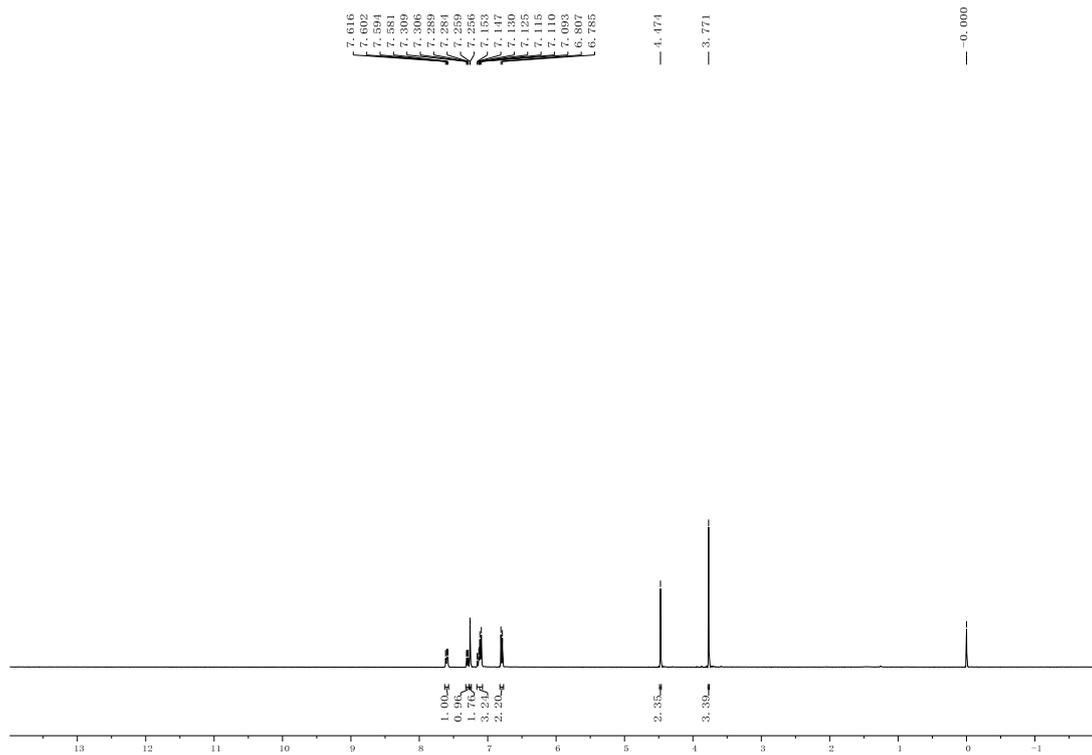


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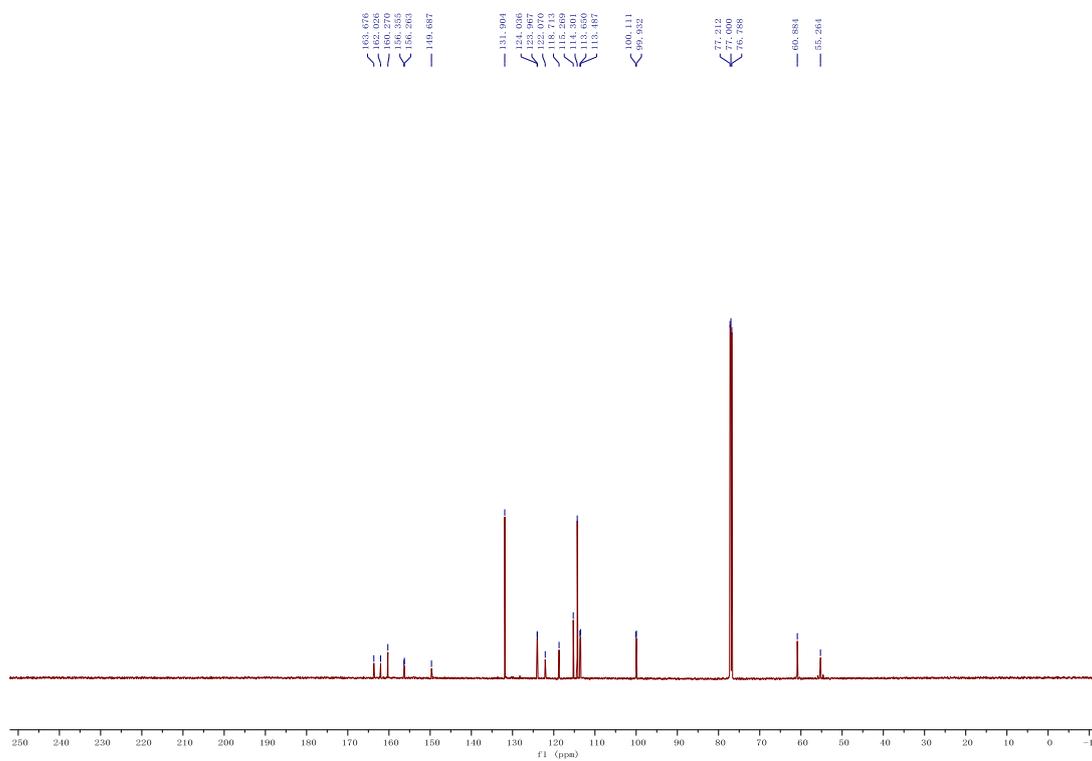


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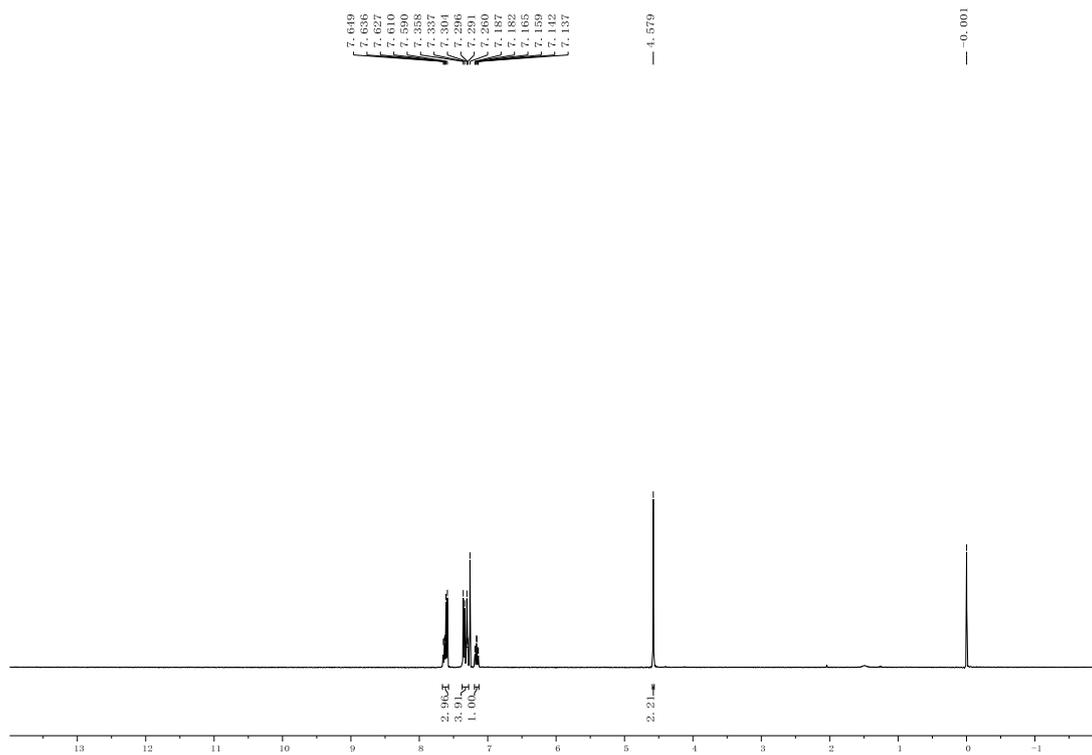


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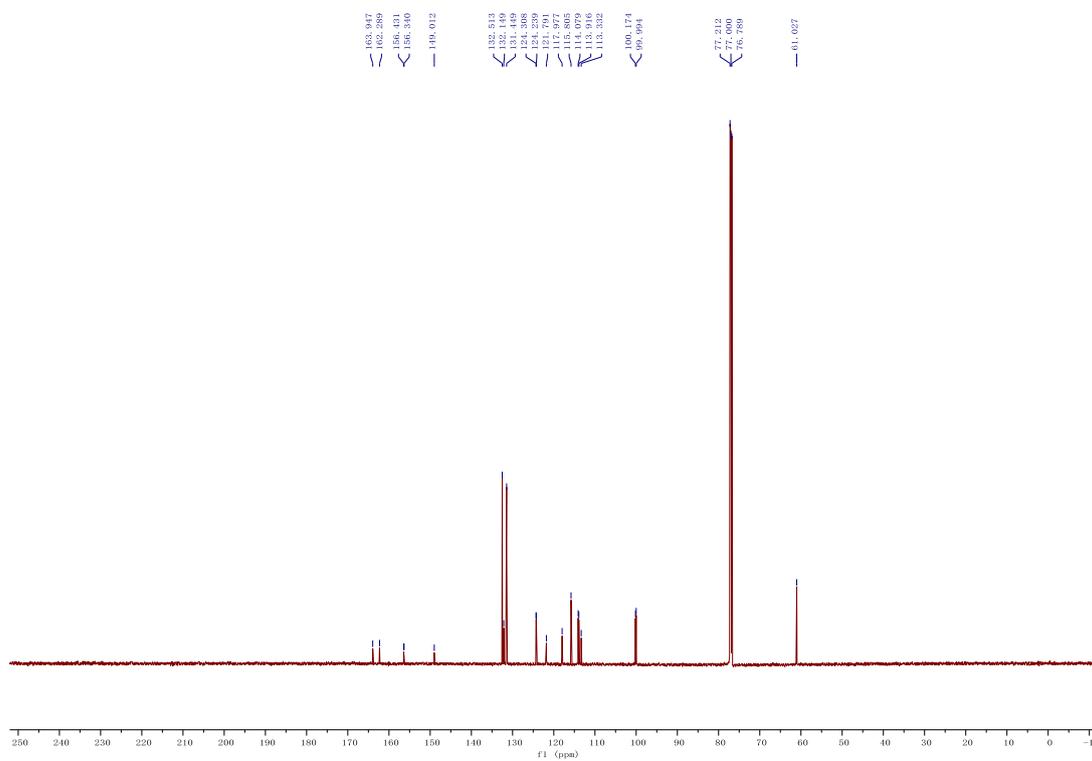


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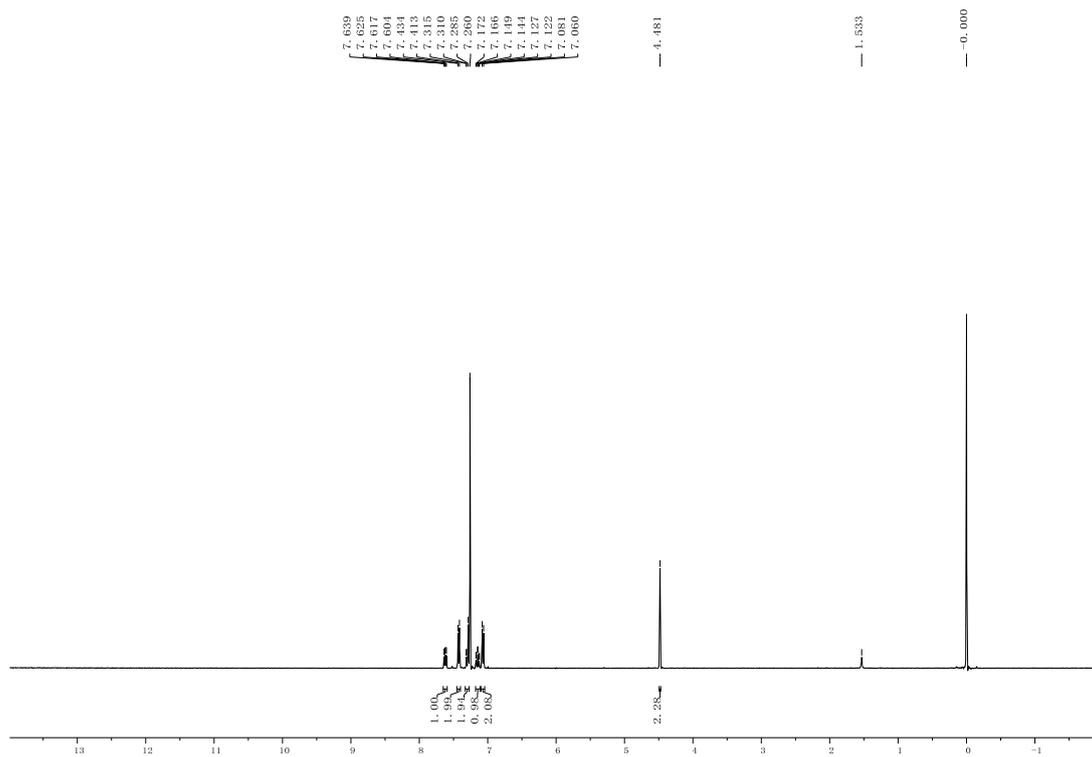


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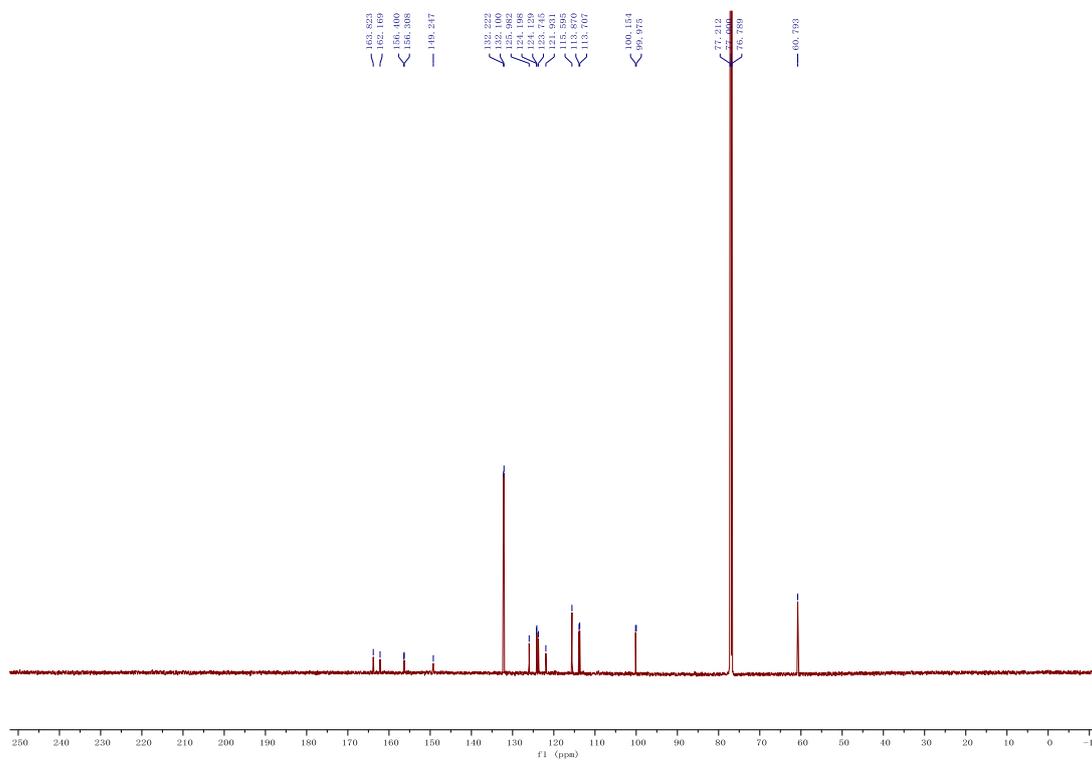


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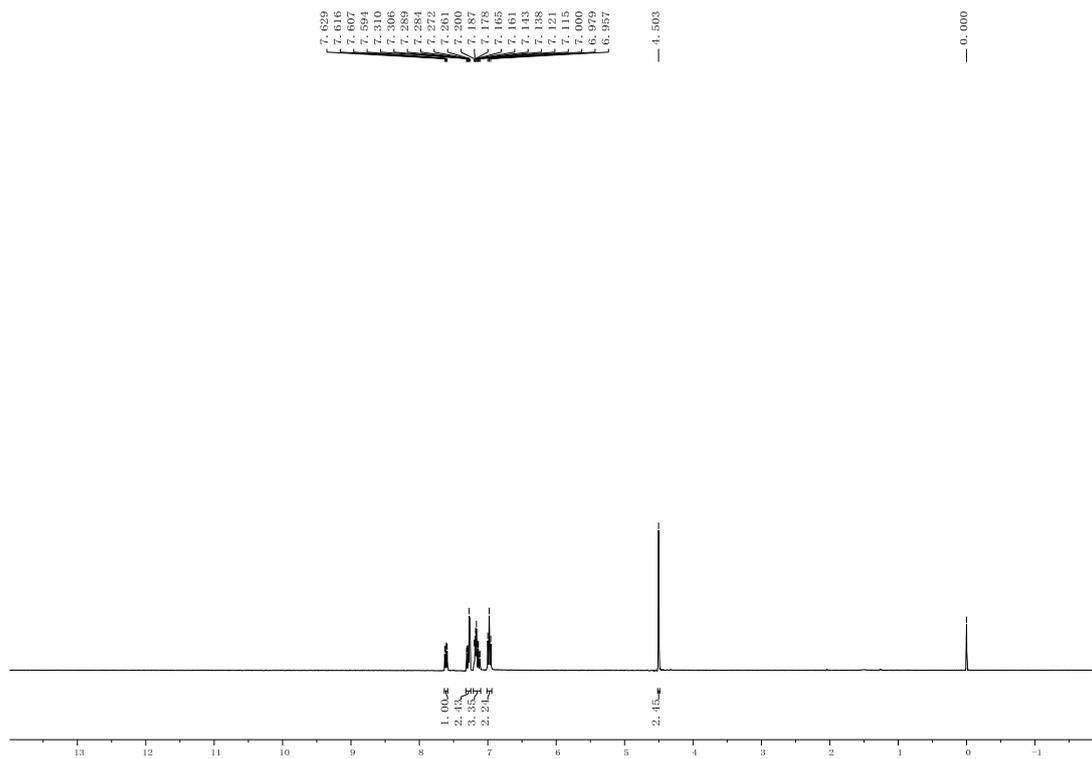


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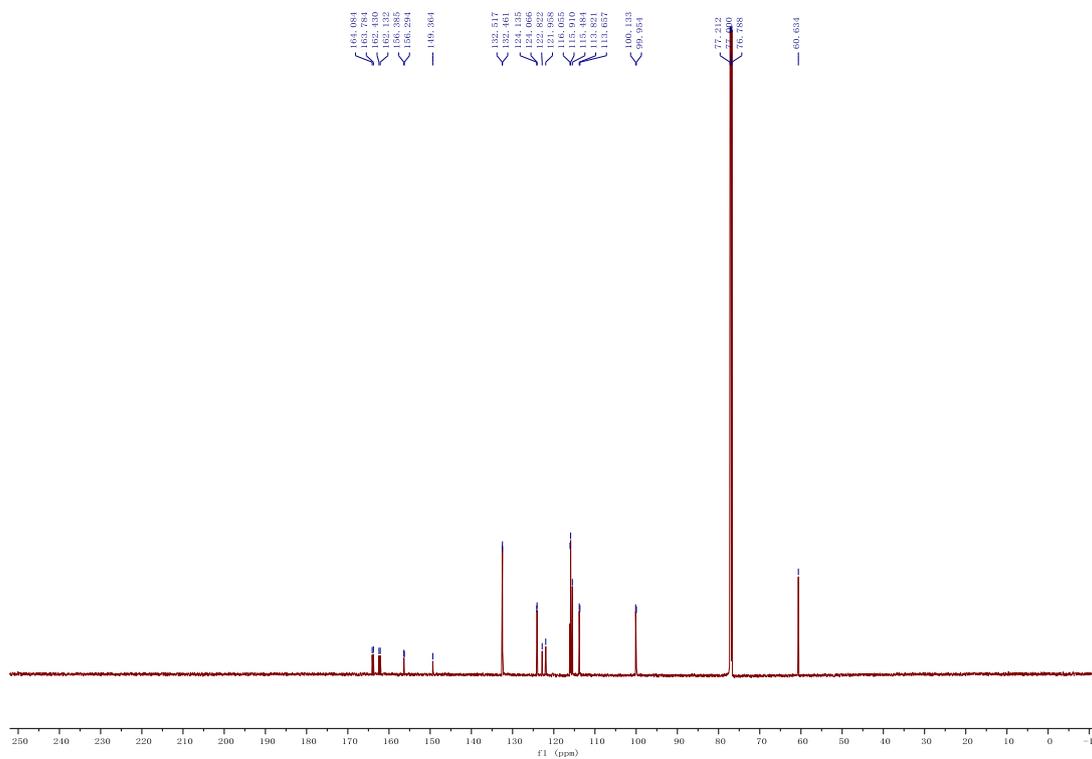


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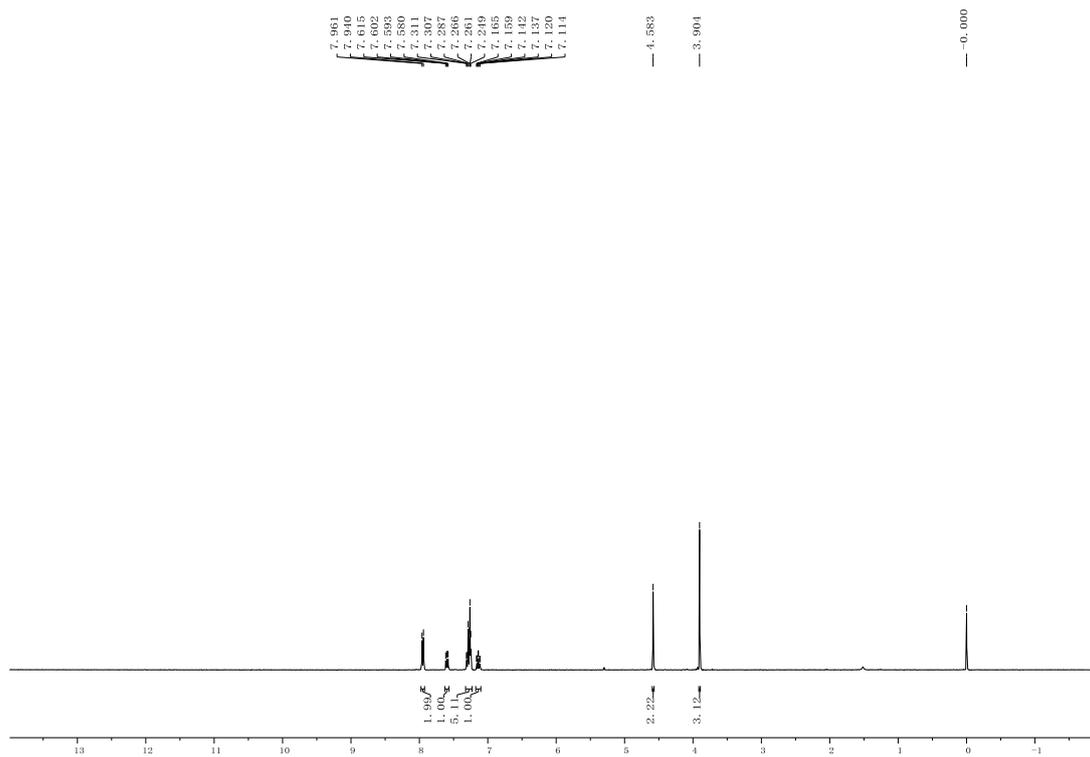


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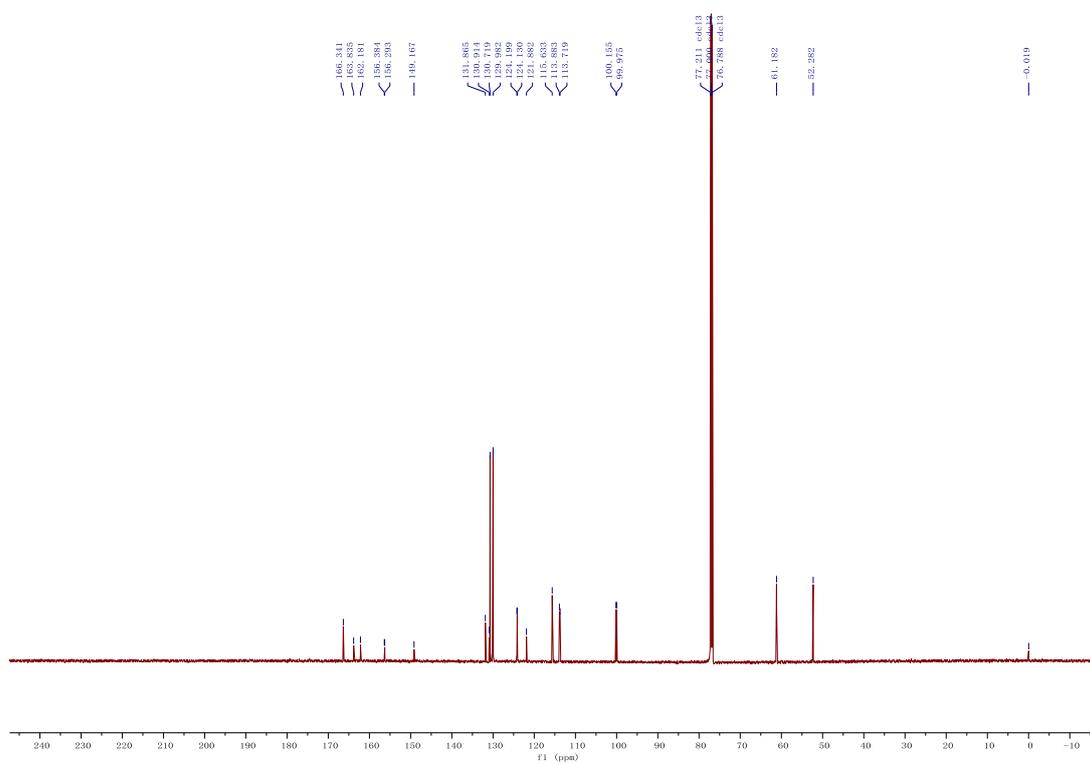


Figure S38. ^{13}C NMR spectrum of 7j.