

**Trash to Treasure: Eco-Friendly and Practical Synthesis of Amides
by Nitriles Hydrolysis in WEPPA**

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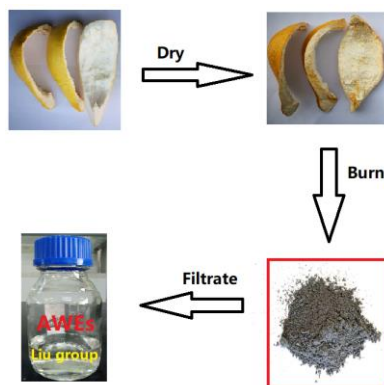
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1. General and materials

General. ^1H , ^{13}C and ^{19}F NMR spectra were recorded on a Varian Inova-400 (400 MHz, 100 MHz and 376 MHz, respectively) spectrometer. ^1H and ^{13}C NMR chemical shifts were determined relative to internal standard TMS at δ 0.0 or CDCl_3 ($\delta(^1\text{H})$, 7.26 ppm; $\delta(^{13}\text{C})$, 77.16 ppm) or d_6 -DMSO ($\delta(^1\text{H})$, 2.54 ppm; $\delta(^{13}\text{C})$, 39.50 ppm) and ^{19}F NMR chemical shifts were determined relative to CFCl_3 as internal standard. Chemical shifts (δ) are reported in ppm, and coupling constants (J) are in Hertz (Hz). The following abbreviations are used to explain the multiplicities: s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet, bs = broad singlet. pH values were detected by PHS-3C acidometer. Inductively coupled plasma atomic emission spectroscopy (ICP-AES) analysis was carried out on a Varian VISTA-PRO spectrometer. X-Ray photoelectron spectroscopy (XPS) was detected on a Thermo Scientific K-Alpha+X spectrometer. Energy dispersive X-ray (EDX) was recorded on the SU8010 cold field emission ultra-high resolution scanning electron microscope. The melting point was recorded on BÜCHI (M-560) and uncorrected. Analytical thin layer chromatography (TLC) was performed on 0.25 mm silica gel 60 F254 plates and viewed by UV light (254 nm). Column chromatographic purification was performed using 200-300 mesh silica gel.

Materials. All the chemical reagents were purchased from commercial sources and used as received unless otherwise indicated.

2. General procedure for the preparation of AWEs (taking WEPPA as an example)



The pomelo peel was obtained and dried naturally. The dried pomelo peel was burned to get its ash. Then, one gram pomelo peel ash was suspended into 10.0 mL of distilled water at room temperature for 30 min with constant stirring. The suspension was then filtered to obtain a pale yellow extract which named as WEPPA.

3. XPS spectrum of the pomelo peel ash

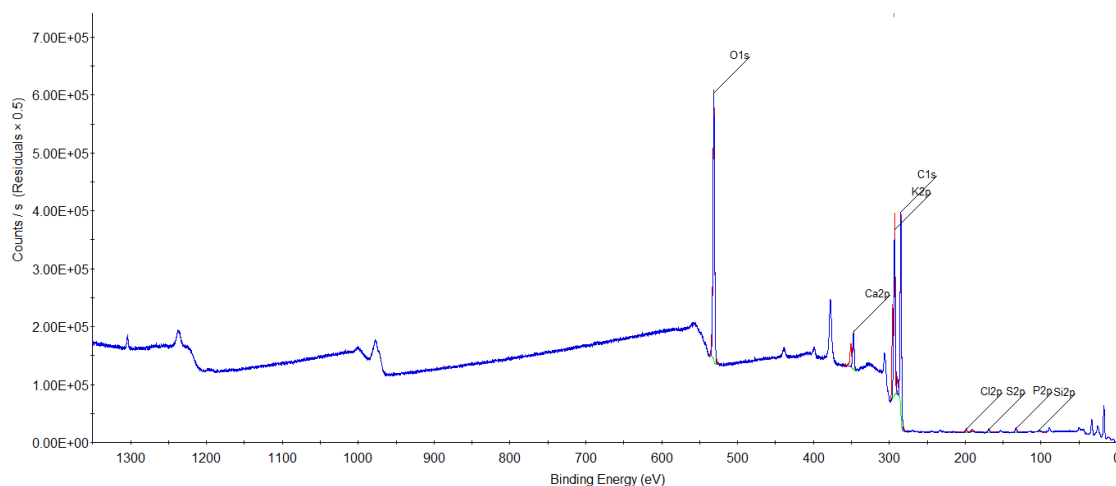


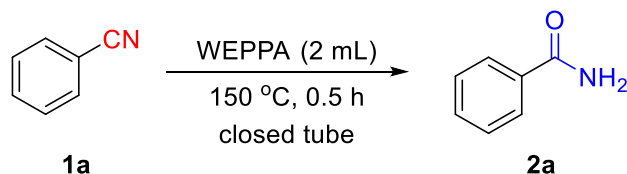
Figure S1 XPS spectrum of the pomelo peel ash

Table S1 XPS analysis

Element	Start BE	Peak BE	End BE	Height CPS	FWHM eV	Area (P) CPS.eV	Area (N)	Atomic %
O	537.48	531.34	524.28	461018.18	2.4	1200937.11	6963.79	33.76
K	298.68	293.22	290.76	270622.92	2.4	704963.77	2127.97	10.32
C	290.69	284.78	277.28	342691.77	2.05	760946.07	10670.16	51.73
Ca	360.08	347.26	343.68	60779.2	2.4	158327.81	387.4	1.88

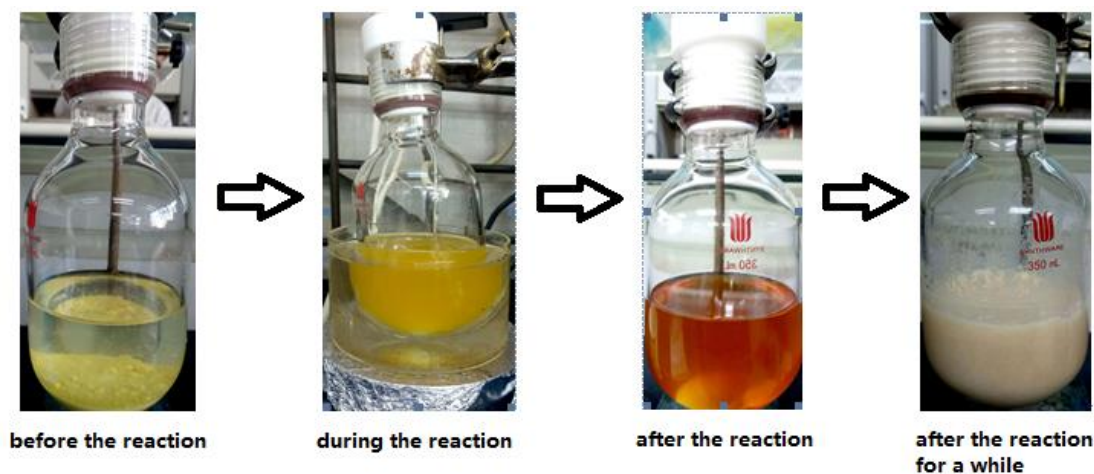
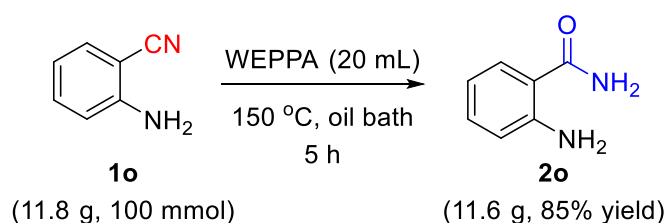
P	138.08	133.08	124.88	7161.84	2.4	18656.35	176.39	0.86
S	174.68	168.95	159.88	6485.17	2.4	16893.65	117.31	0.57
Cl	210.08	198.79	188.08	5350.36	2.4	13937.51	67.6	0.33
Si	105.68	102.24	93.28	3240.34	2.4	8440.99	117.89	0.57

4. General procedure for the hydrolysis of nitriles in WEPPA (taking **1a** as an example)



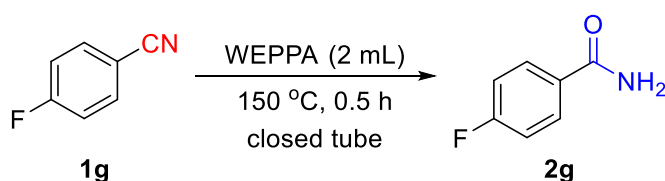
Under atmosphere, benzonitrile **1a** (103 mg, 1.0 mmol) and WEPPA (2.0 mL) were added into a 10 mL closed tube with a stir bar. Then the reaction was stirred in a closed vessel synthesis reactor at 150 °C for 0.5 h. After cooling to ambient temperature, the resulting precipitate was collected by filtration, washed with ice water and further dried in the vacuum drying oven. The filtrate was evaporated under reduced pressure. The resultant residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (eluent: petroleum ether (35-60 °C)/EtOAc = 2:1 to 0:1, v/v). Finally, combining these two parts to afford the desired benzamide **2a** in 85% yield.

5. Gram-scale experiments (taking **1o** at 100 mmol as an example)

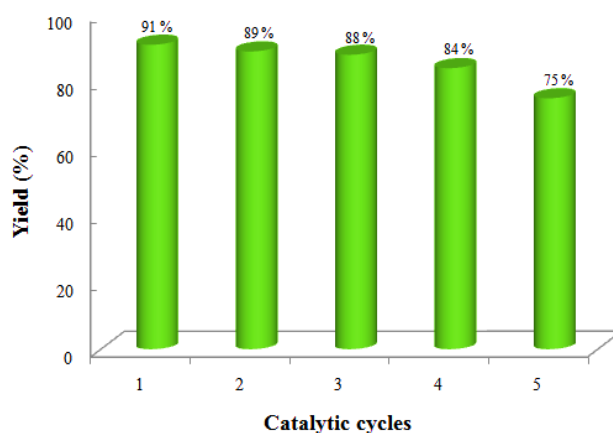


Under atmosphere, 2-aminobenzonitrile **1o** (11.8 g, 100.0 mmol) and WEPPA (150.0 mL) were added into a 300 mL closed tube with a stir bar. Then the reaction was stirred in an oil bath at 150 °C for 5 h. After cooling to ambient temperature, large amount of white solid precipitated out and was collected by filtration, washed with ice water and further dried in the vacuum drying oven. The filtrate was evaporated under reduced pressure to get the residual product. Finally, combining these two parts to afford the desired 2-aminobenzamide **2o** (11.6 g) in 85% yield.

6. Recycling experiments

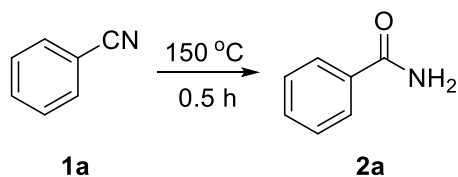


Under atmosphere, 4-fluorobenzamide **1g** (121 mg, 1.0 mmol) and WEPPA (2.0 mL) were added into a 10 mL closed tube with a stir bar. Then the reaction was stirred in a closed vessel synthesis reactor at 150 °C for 0.5 h. After cooling to ambient temperature, the resulting precipitate was collected by filtration, washed with ice water and further dried in the vacuum drying oven. The WEPPA filtrate could be reused at least four times in good yields (89%, 88%, 84% and 75%).



7. Comparative experiments

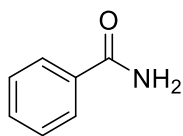
Table S2 The conversions of 1a in the water solutions of different inorganic carbonates or oxides^a



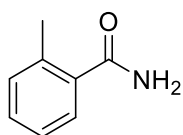
Entry	Compound	Loading (g/10 mL)	GC yields (%) ^b
1	K ₂ CO ₃	0.2136	17
2	Na ₂ CO ₃	1.2*10 ⁻³	N.R
3	CaCO ₃	0.0741	N.R
4	MgCO ₃	0.0192	Trace
5	CuCO ₃	0.054*10 ⁻³	N.R
6	MnCO ₃	0.012	N.R
7	CaO	0.0741	40
8	MgO	0.0192	N.R
9	CuO	0.054*10 ⁻³	N.R
10	Fe ₂ O ₃	0.18*10 ⁻³	N.R
11	MnO ₂	0.012	N.R
12 ^c	mixture		26

^a Reaction conditions: **1a** (1.0 mmol), water solutions of inorganic carbonates or oxides (2.0 mL), 150 °C, 0.5 h. ^b Determined by GC analysis. ^c According to the ICP analysis, water solution of all these inorganic carbonates and oxides entries 1-11.

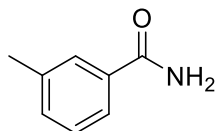
8. Analytical data



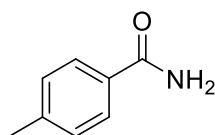
Benzamide (2a)^[1]: Known compound. 114.2 mg, 94% yield. White solid. m.p.: 127.3-129.1 °C. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 7.83-7.80 (m, 2H), 7.54-7.50 (m, 1H), 7.46-7.42 (m, 2H), 6.26 (bs, 2H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 169.7, 133.5, 132.1, 128.8, 127.5.



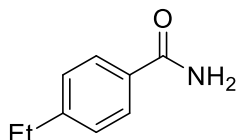
2-Methylbenzamide (2b)^[1]: Known compound. 114.1 mg, 84% yield. White solid. m.p.: 140.1-142.9 °C. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 7.43 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.32 (td, *J* = 7.6 and 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.21 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 6.28 (bs, 1H), 5.86 (bs, 1H), 2.49 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 172.4, 136.4, 135.4, 131.3, 130.4, 127.1, 125.8, 20.1.



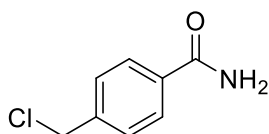
3-Methylbenzamide (2c)^[1]: Known compound. 108.2 mg, 80% yield. White solid. m.p.: 90.1-91.1 °C. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 7.65 (s, 1H), 7.60-7.58 (m, 1H), 7.33-7.29 (m, 2H), 6.30 (bs, 2H), 2.39 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 170.0, 138.6, 133.5, 132.8, 128.6, 128.2, 124.4, 21.4.



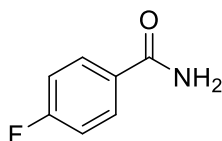
4-Methylbenzamide (2d)^[1]: Known compound. 120.2 mg, 89% yield. White solid. m.p.: 148.1-148.8 °C. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 7.71 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.25 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 5.93 (bs, 2H), 2.42 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 169.5, 142.7, 130.6, 129.4, 127.5, 21.6.



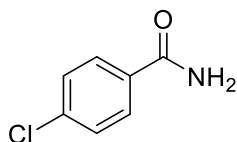
4-Ethylbenzamide (2e)^[2]: Known compound. 132.6 mg, 89% yield. White solid. m.p.: 160.2 -162.5 °C. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 7.74 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.27 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 6.06 (bs, 2H), 2.70 (q, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 1.25 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 169.7, 148.8, 130.9, 128.2, 127.6, 28.9, 15.4.



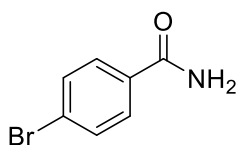
4-(Chloromethyl)benzamide (2f)^[3]: Known compound. 107.2 mg, 63% yield. White solid. m.p.: 133.3 -135.1 °C. ¹H NMR (*d*₆-DMSO, 400 MHz) δ 7.92 (bs, 1H), 7.84 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.38 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.30 (bs, 1H), 4.56 (s, 2H); ¹³C NMR (*d*₆-DMSO, 100 MHz) δ 167.8, 145.9, 132.6, 127.3, 125.9, 62.5.



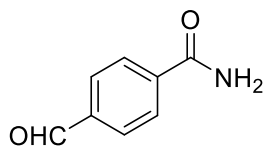
4-Fluorobenzamide (2g)^[1]: Known compound. 127.0 mg, 91% yield. White solid. m.p.: 155.3-155.5 °C. ¹H NMR (*d*₆-DMSO, 400 MHz) δ 8.03 (bs, 1H), 8.00-7.96 (m, 2H), 7.43 (bs, 1H), 7.34-7.28 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (*d*₆-DMSO, 100 MHz) δ 166.8, 163.9 (d, *J* = 245.8 Hz), 130.7 (d, *J* = 11.5 Hz), 130.1 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz), 115.1 (d, *J* = 21.6 Hz); ¹⁹F NMR (*d*₆-DMSO, 376 MHz) δ -109.6.



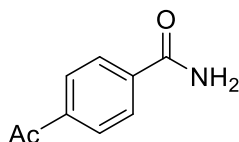
4-Chlorobenzamide (2h)^[1]: Known compound. 130.1 mg, 84% yield. White solid. m.p.: 177.4-178.8 °C. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 7.77-7.74 (m, 2H), 7.45-7.42 (m, 2H), 5.85 (bs, 2H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 168.3, 138.5, 131.8, 129.1, 128.9.



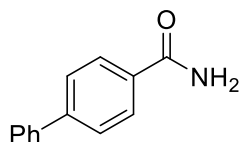
4-Bromobenzamide (2i)^[1]: Known compound. 165.0 mg, 83% yield. White solid. m.p.: 188.9-191.6 °C. ¹H NMR (*d*₆-DMSO, 400 MHz) δ 8.08 (bs, 1H), 7.87-7.84 (m, 2H), 7.72-7.68 (m, 2H), 7.49 (bs, 1H); ¹³C NMR (*d*₆-DMSO, 100 MHz) δ 166.9, 133.4, 131.2, 129.6, 125.0.



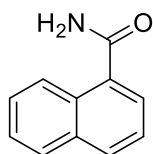
4-Formylbenzamide (2j)^[4]: Known compound. 91.0 mg, 61% yield. White solid. m.p.: 178.9-182.1 °C. ¹H NMR (*d*₆-DMSO, 400 MHz) δ 10.09 (bs, 1H), 8.19 (bs, 1H), 8.07 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.99 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.62 (bs, 1H); ¹³C NMR (*d*₆-DMSO, 100 MHz) δ 192.9, 167.0, 139.3, 137.8, 129.3, 128.1.



4-Acetylbenzamide (2k)^[1]: Known compound. 110.8 mg, 68% yield. Yellow solid. m.p.: 192.5-194.1 °C. ¹H NMR (*d*₆-DMSO, 400 MHz) δ 8.15 (bs, 1H), 8.04-7.98 (m, 4H), 7.57 (bs, 1H), 2.62 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (*d*₆-DMSO, 100 MHz) δ 197.7, 167.1, 138.6, 138.1, 128.1, 127.7, 26.9.

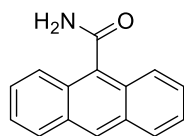


[1,1'-Biphenyl]-4-carboxamide (2l)^[5]: Known compound. 164.1 mg, 83% yield. White solid. m.p.: 232.1-234.5 °C. ¹H NMR (*d*₆-DMSO, 400 MHz) δ 8.08 (bs, 1H), 8.02 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.80 (bs, 1H), 7.78-7.75 (m, 3H), 7.53 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.44 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (*d*₆-DMSO, 100 MHz) δ 167.5, 142.7, 139.2, 133.1, 129.0, 128.1, 128.0, 126.8, 126.4.

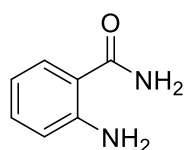


1-Naphthamide (2m)^[1]: Known compound. 94.6 mg, 55% yield. White solid. m.p.: 204.8-206.2 °C. ¹H NMR (*d*₆-DMSO, 400 MHz) δ 8.36 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 8.05-8.00

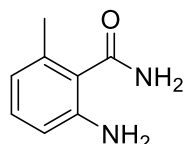
(m, 3H), 7.70-7.55 (m, 5H); ^{13}C NMR (d_6 -DMSO, 100 MHz) δ 170.5, 134.6, 133.2, 129.7 x 2, 128.1, 126.6, 126.1, 125.6, 125.1, 124.9.



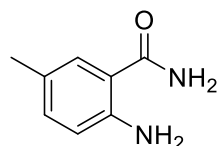
Anthracene-9-carboxamide (2n)^[6]: Known compound. 90.7 mg, 41% yield. Yellow solid. m.p.: 186.2-188.6 °C. ^1H NMR (d_6 -DMSO, 400 MHz) δ 8.68 (bs, 1H), 8.30 (bs, 1H), 8.16 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 8.08 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 3H), 7.64-7.57 (m, 4H); ^{13}C NMR (d_6 -DMSO, 100 MHz) δ 170.2, 133.7, 130.7, 128.3, 126.8 x 2, 126.2, 125.5, 125.4.



2-Aminobenzamide (2o)^[1]: Known compound. 130.5 mg, 96% yield. Yellow solid. m.p.: 110.1-111.5 °C. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz) δ 7.36 (dd, J = 7.9 and 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.25-7.20 (m, 1H), 6.68 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 6.66-6.62 (m, 1H), 5.90 (bs, 2H), 5.67 (bs, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz) δ 171.8, 149.6, 133.1, 128.1, 117.6, 116.5, 114.1.

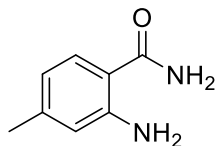


2-Amino-6-methylbenzamide (2p)^[7]: Known compound. 139.9 mg, 93% yield. White solid. m.p.: 143.7-144.8 °C. ^1H NMR (d_6 -DMSO, 400 MHz) δ 7.63 (bs, 1H), 7.42 (bs, 1H), 6.92 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.51 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 6.39 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 4.90 (bs, 2H), 2.21 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (d_6 -DMSO, 100 MHz) δ 170.5, 145.4, 134.2, 128.7, 123.0, 117.9, 112.7, 19.9.

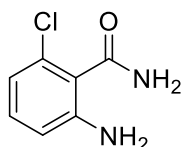


2-Amino-5-methylbenzamide (2q)^[7]: Known compound. 135.9 mg, 90% yield. Yellow solid. m.p.: 172.6-174.3 °C. ^1H NMR (d_6 -DMSO, 400 MHz) δ 7.65 (bs, 1H), 7.34 (bs, 1H), 6.95 (dd, J = 8.2 and 1.5 Hz, 2H), 6.59 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 6.31 (bs,

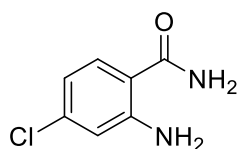
2H), 2.15 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (d_6 -DMSO, 100 MHz) δ 171.3, 147.8, 132.7, 128.6, 122.7, 116.5, 113.7, 20.0.



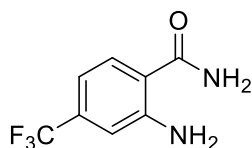
2-Amino-4-methylbenzamide (2r)^[7]: Known compound. 146.1 mg, 97% yield. White solid. m.p.: 148.9-149.5 °C. ^1H NMR (d_6 -DMSO, 400 MHz) δ 7.62 (bs, 1H), 7.43 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (bs, 1H), 6.53 (bs, 2H), 6.47 (s, 1H), 6.29 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 2.16 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (d_6 -DMSO, 100 MHz) δ 171.2, 150.3, 141.6, 128.8, 116.4, 115.6, 111.1, 21.0.



2-Amino-6-chlorobenzamide (2s)^[8]: Known compound. 135.6 mg, 79% yield. White solid. m.p.: 131.6-132.3 °C. ^1H NMR (d_6 -DMSO, 400 MHz) δ 7.81 (bs, 1H), 7.58 (bs, 1H), 7.01 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.64 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 6.58 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 5.21 (bs, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (d_6 -DMSO, 100 MHz) δ 167.5, 147.0, 130.0, 129.8, 121.7, 116.1, 113.6.

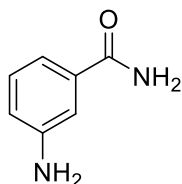


2-Amino-4-chlorobenzamide (2t)^[9]: Known compound. 155.2 mg, 91% yield. White solid. m.p.: 179.7-180.6 °C. ^1H NMR (d_6 -DMSO, 400 MHz) δ 7.81 (bs, 1H), 7.57 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (bs, 1H), 6.86 (bs, 2H), 6.77 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 6.52 (dd, J = 8.5 and 2.2 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (d_6 -DMSO, 100 MHz) δ 170.4, 151.5, 136.3, 130.6, 115.1, 114.0, 112.4.

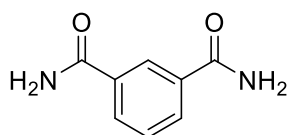


2-Amino-4-(trifluoromethyl)benzamide (2u)^[10]: Known compound. 175.8 mg, 86% yield. White solid. m.p.: 150.8-151.1 °C. ^1H NMR (d_6 -DMSO, 400 MHz) δ 7.96 (bs,

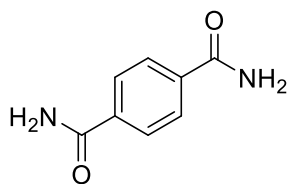
1H), 7.73 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.36 (s, 1H), 7.07 (d, $J = 1.1$ Hz, 1H), 6.91 (bs, 2H), 6.78 (dd, $J = 8.2$ and 1.7 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (d_6 -DMSO, 100 MHz) δ 170.2, 150.2, 131.8 (q, $J = 31.0$ Hz), 129.9, 124.0 (d, $J = 271.1$ Hz), 116.7, 112.5 (d, $J = 4.0$ Hz), 109.9 (d, $J = 3.6$ Hz).



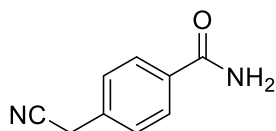
3-Aminobenzamide (2v)^[10]: Known compound. 125.5 mg, 92% yield. Yellow solid. m.p.: 112.1-112.7 °C. ^1H NMR (d_6 -DMSO, 400 MHz) δ 7.74 (bs, 1H), 7.15 (bs, 1H), 7.10-7.07 (m, 2H), 7.02-7.00 (m, 1H), 6.72-6.70 (m, 1H), 5.21 (bs 2H); ^{13}C NMR (d_6 -DMSO, 100 MHz) δ 168.7, 148.5, 135.2, 128.5, 116.5, 114.7, 113.1.



Isophthalamide (2w)^[11]: Known compound. 136.1 mg, 83% yield. Pale yellow solid. m.p.: > 300 °C. ^1H NMR (d_6 -DMSO, 400 MHz) δ 8.42 (bs, 1H), 8.13 (bs, 2H), 8.03 (dd, $J = 7.7$ and 1.7 Hz, 2H), 7.57 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.50 (bs, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (d_6 -DMSO, 100 MHz) δ 167.5, 134.4, 130.1, 128.2, 126.8.

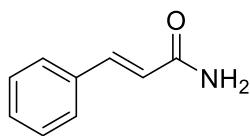


Terephthalamide (2x)^[6]: Known compound. 143.0 mg, 87% yield. Pale yellow solid. m.p.: > 300 °C. ^1H NMR (d_6 -DMSO, 400 MHz) δ 8.11 (bs, 2H), 7.97 (s, 4H), 7.52 (bs, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (d_6 -DMSO, 100 MHz) δ 167.3, 136.5, 127.3.

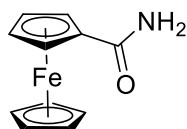


4-(Cyanomethyl)benzamide (2y)^[12]: Known compound. 123.6 mg, 77% yield. White solid. m.p.: > 300 °C. ^1H NMR (d_6 -DMSO, 400 MHz) δ 8.02 (bs, 1H), 7.94-7.92 (m, 1H), 7.92 (t, $J = 1.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.46 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.43 (bs, 1H), 4.15 (s, 2H); ^{13}C

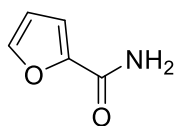
NMR (d_6 -DMSO, 100 MHz) δ 167.3, 134.4, 133.6, 128.1, 127.9, 118.9, 22.2.



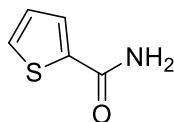
Cinnamamide (2z)^[1] Known compound. 123.0 mg, 84% yield. White solid. m.p.: 148.2-148.8 °C. **¹H NMR** (d_6 -DMSO, 400 MHz) δ 7.56 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 7.42-7.36 (m, 4H), 7.15 (bs, 1H), 6.63 (d, J = 15.9 Hz 1H); **¹³C NMR** (d_6 -DMSO, 100 MHz) δ 166.7, 139.1, 134.9, 129.4, 128.9, 127.5, 122.3.



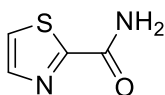
Phenyl(*o*-tolyl)methanone (2aa)^[13]: Known compound. 144.4 mg, 63% yield. Yellow solid. m.p.: 160.9-162.5 °C. **¹H NMR** (d_6 -DMSO, 400 MHz) δ 7.35 (bs, 1H), 6.98 (bs, 1H), 4.80 (t, J = 1.8 Hz, 2H), 4.36 (t, J = 1.8 Hz, 2H), 4.20 (s, 5H); **¹³C NMR** (d_6 -DMSO, 100 MHz) δ 171.5, 76.9, 70.4, 69.8, 69.0.



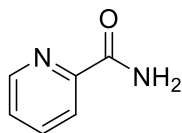
Furan-2-carboxamide (2a')^[14]: Known compound. 79.0 mg, 71% yield. White solid. m.p.: 140.1-141.3 °C. **¹H NMR** (d_6 -DMSO, 400 MHz) δ 7.83 (t, J = 0.7 Hz, 1H), 7.80 (bs, 1H), 7.41 (bs, 1H), 7.14 (d, J = 3.4 Hz, 1H), 6.62 (q, J = 1.7 Hz, 1H); **¹³C NMR** (d_6 -DMSO, 100 MHz) δ 159.4, 148.0, 145.0, 113.6, 111.8.



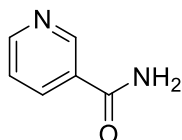
Thiophene-2-carboxamide (2b')^[1]: Known compound. 101.6 mg, 80% yield. White solid. m.p.: 178.2-179.3 °C. **¹H NMR** (d_6 -DMSO, 400 MHz) δ 7.95 (bs, 1H), 7.74 (s, 2H), 7.37 (bs, 1H), 7.13 (t, J = 3.9 Hz, 1H); **¹³C NMR** (d_6 -DMSO, 100 MHz) δ 162.8, 140.3, 130.9, 128.6, 127.8.



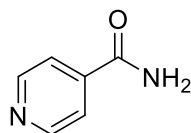
Thiazole-2-carboxamide (2c')^[15]: Known compound. 78.1 mg, 61% yield. White solid. m.p.: 119.0-122.1 °C. ¹H NMR (*d*₆-DMSO, 400 MHz) δ 8.21 (bs, 1H), 8.06 (d, *J* = 3.1 Hz, 1H), 8.03 (d, *J* = 3.1 Hz, 1H), 7.88 (bs, 1H); ¹³C NMR (*d*₆-DMSO, 100 MHz) δ 164.3, 160.9, 143.9, 125.9.



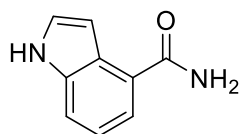
Picolinamide (2d')^[1]: Known compound. 83.3 mg, 69% yield. White solid. m.p.: 106.3-108.8 °C. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 8.56 (d, *J* = 4.7 Hz, 1H), 8.19 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.90 (bs, 1H), 7.83 (td, *J* = 7.7 and 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.44-7.41 (m, 1H), 6.41 (bs, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 167.2, 149.7, 148.4, 137.4, 126.5, 122.5.



Nicotinamide (2e')^[1]: Known compound. 91.2 mg, 75% yield. White solid. m.p.: 134.4-137.5 °C. ¹H NMR (*d*₆-DMSO, 400 MHz) δ 9.03 (d, *J* = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 8.69 (dd, *J* = 4.7 and 1.4 Hz, 1H), 8.22-8.19 (m, 1H), 8.18 (bs, 1H), 7.63 (bs, 1H), 7.49 (dd, *J* = 7.8 and 4.8 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (*d*₆-DMSO, 100 MHz) δ 166.5, 151.9, 148.7, 135.2, 129.7, 123.4.

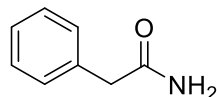


Isonicotinamide. (2f')^[1]: Known compound. 104.8 mg, 86% yield. White solid. m.p.: 151.1-153.9 °C. ¹H NMR (*d*₆-DMSO, 400 MHz) δ 8.64 (dd, *J* = 4.3 and 1.5 Hz, 2H), 7.78 (dd, *J* = 4.3 and 1.6 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (*d*₆-DMSO, 100 MHz) δ 167.3, 149.6, 144.6, 123.1.

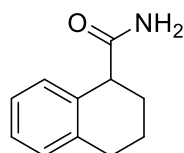


1H-Indole-4-carboxamide (2g')^[6]: Known compound. 130.9 mg, 82% yield. Pale yellow solid. m.p.: 143.2-145.7 °C. ¹H NMR (*d*₆-DMSO, 400 MHz) δ 11.3 (bs, 1H),

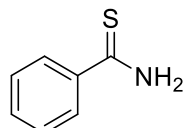
7.75 (bs, 1H), 7.58 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.51 (d, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.46 (t, $J = 2.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.25 (bs, 1H), 7.16 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 6.96 (t, $J = 2.0$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (d_6 -DMSO, 100 MHz) δ 169.8, 136.6, 126.4, 126.2, 126.1, 120.0, 118.9, 114.2, 102.0.



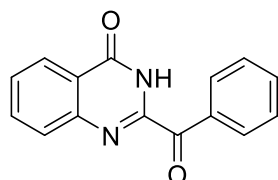
Phenylacetamide (2a'')^[1]: Known compound. 109.4 mg, 81% yield. White solid. m.p.: 152.6-155.1 °C. ^1H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 7.38-7.34 (m, 2H), 7.32-7.27 (m, 3H), 5.82 (bs, 1H), 5.41 (bs, 1H), 3.58 (s, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 173.7, 135.0, 129.5, 129.2, 127.6, 43.5.



1,2,3,4-Tetrahydronaphthalene-1-carboxamide (2b'')^[16]: Known compound. 130.3 mg, 74% yield. White solid. m.p.: > 300 °C. ^1H NMR (d_6 -DMSO, 400 MHz) δ 7.49 (bs, 1H), 7.15-7.09 (m, 4H), 6.99 (bs, 1H), 3.64 (t, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 1H), 2.75-2.72 (m, 2H), 1.97-1.91 (m, 3H), 1.69-1.60 (m, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (d_6 -DMSO, 100 MHz) δ 176.2, 137.0, 135.3, 128.9, 128.4, 126.0, 125.4, 45.0, 28.8, 26.9, 20.6.



Benzoithioamide (3a)^[17]: Known compound. 99.8 mg, 73% yield. Yellow solid. m.p.: 114.5-115.7 °C. ^1H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 7.95 (bs, 1H), 7.87-7.86 (m, 1H), 7.85-7.84 (m, 1H), 7.52-7.48 (m, 1H), 7.42-7.37 (m, 2H), 7.30 (bs, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 202.9, 139.2, 132.1, 128.6, 127.0.



2-Benzoylquinazolin-4(3H)-one (3c)^[18]: Known compound. 188.0 mg, 75% yield. White solid. m.p.: 182.5-183.9 °C. ^1H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 10.5 (bs, 1H), 8.52-8.49 (m, 2H), 8.39 (dd, $J = 7.9$ and 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.93-7.91 (m, 1H), 7.86-7.82 (m,

1H), 7.69-7.61 (m, 2H), 7.56-7.52 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) δ 185.7, 161.1, 147.6, 146.1, 134.9, 134.4, 134.1, 131.9, 129.5 x 2, 128.5, 127.0, 123.4.

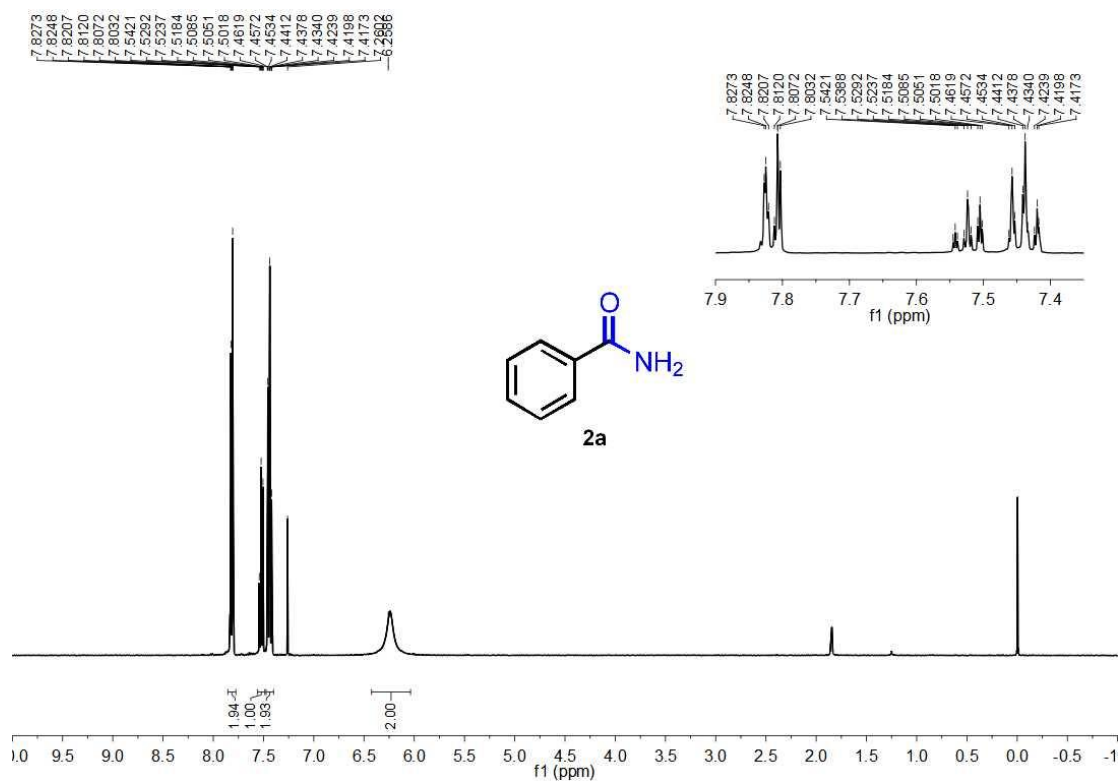
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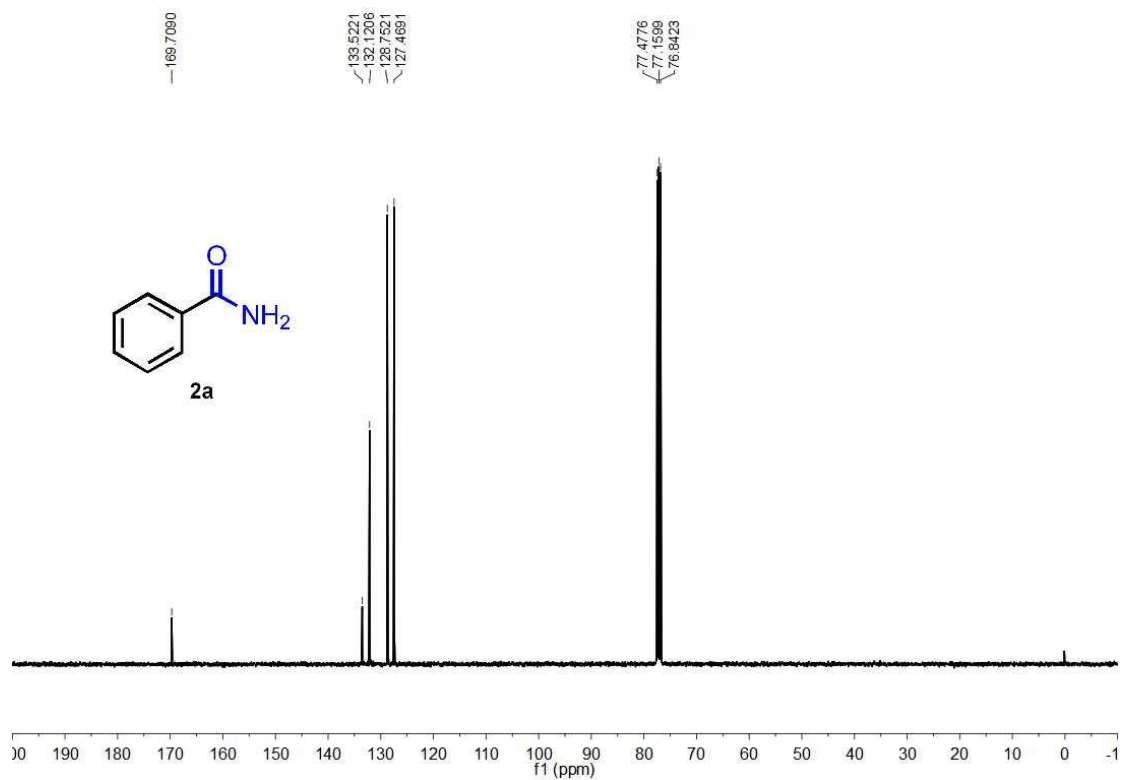
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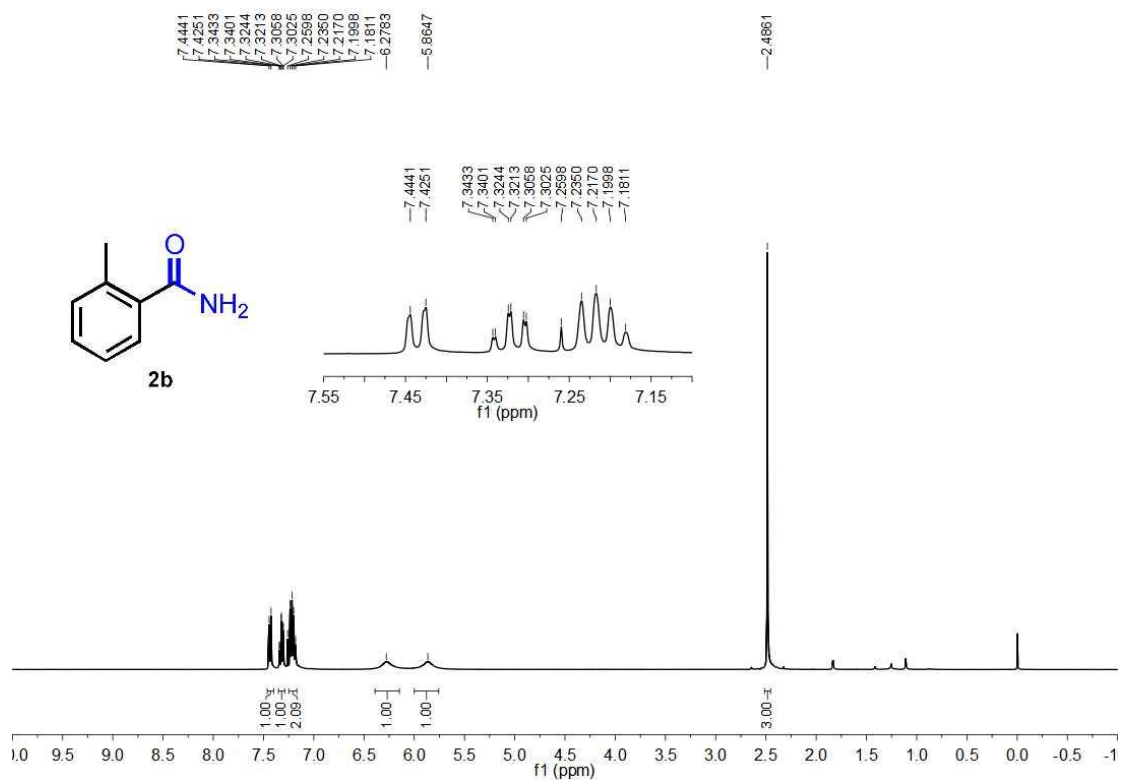
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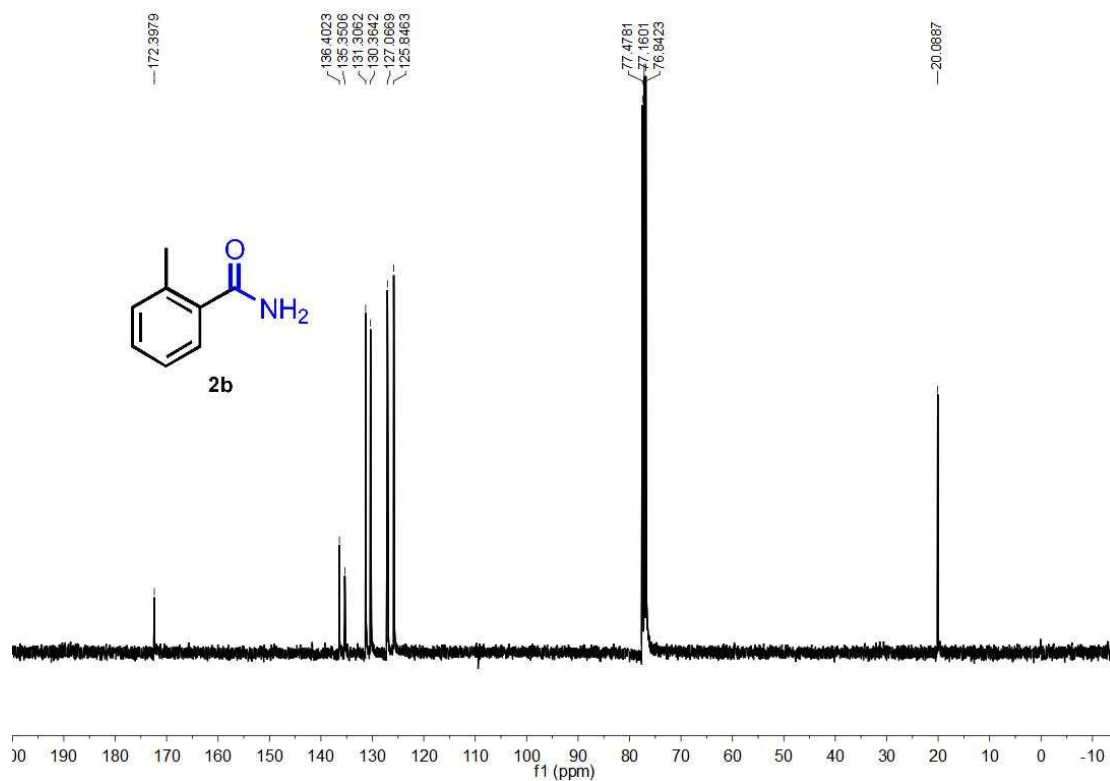
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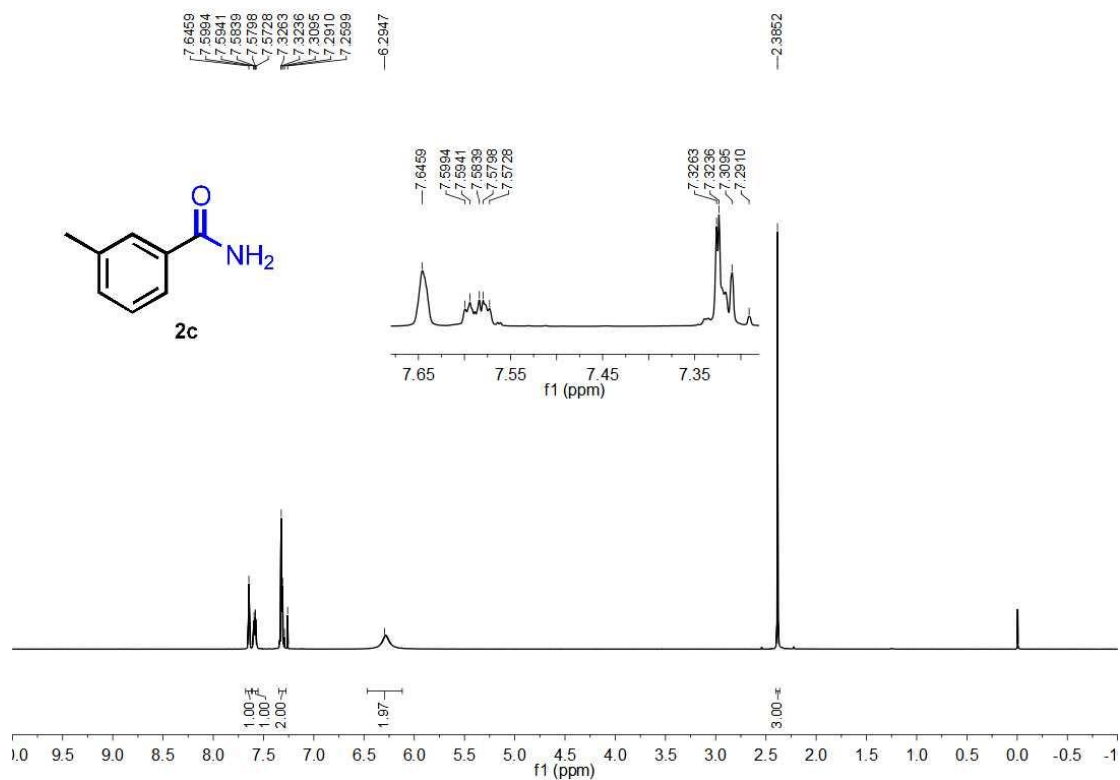
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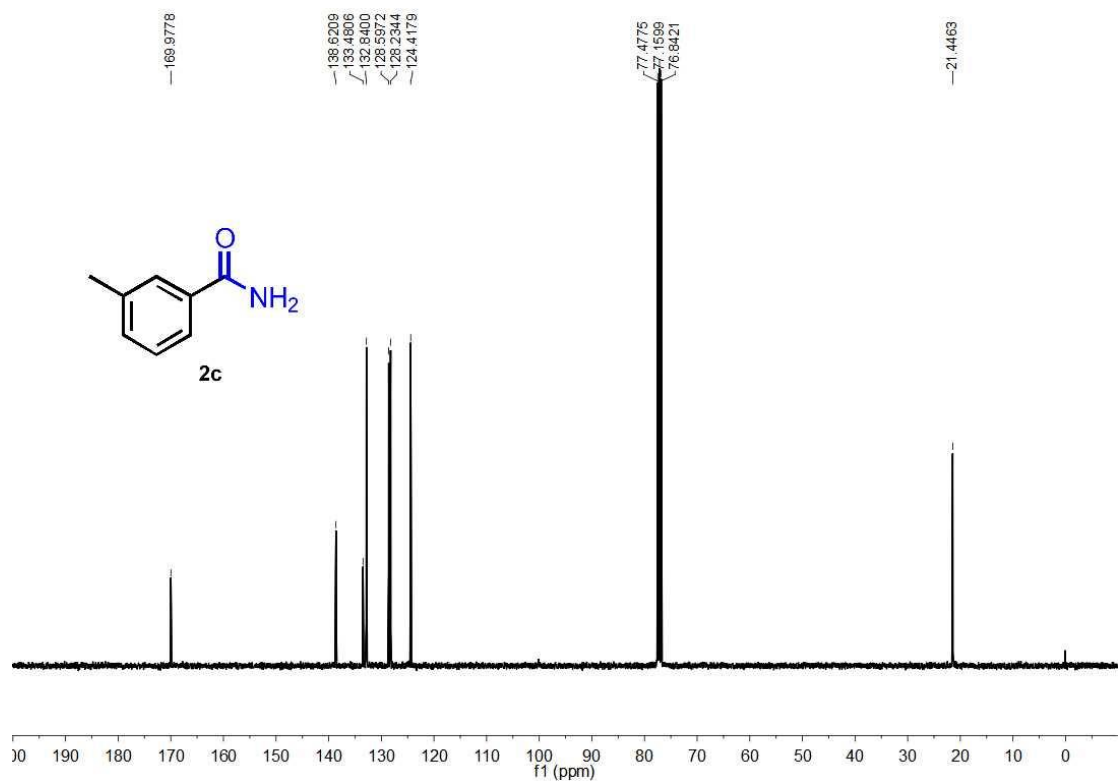
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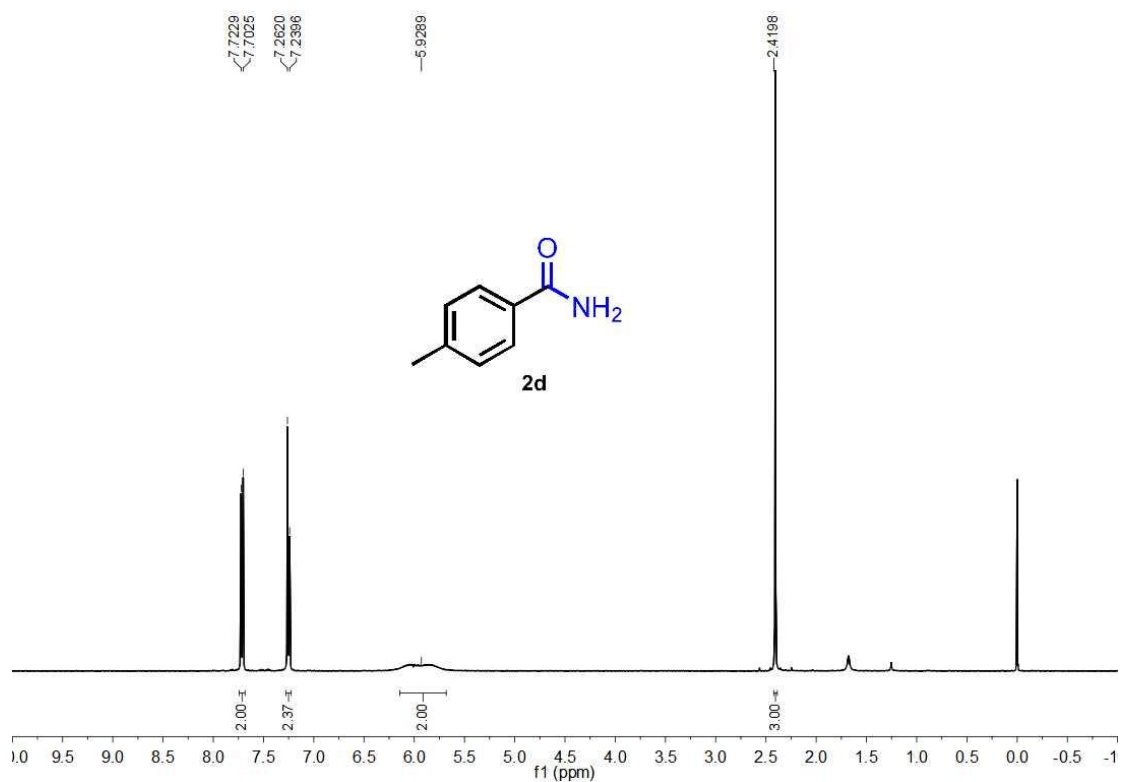
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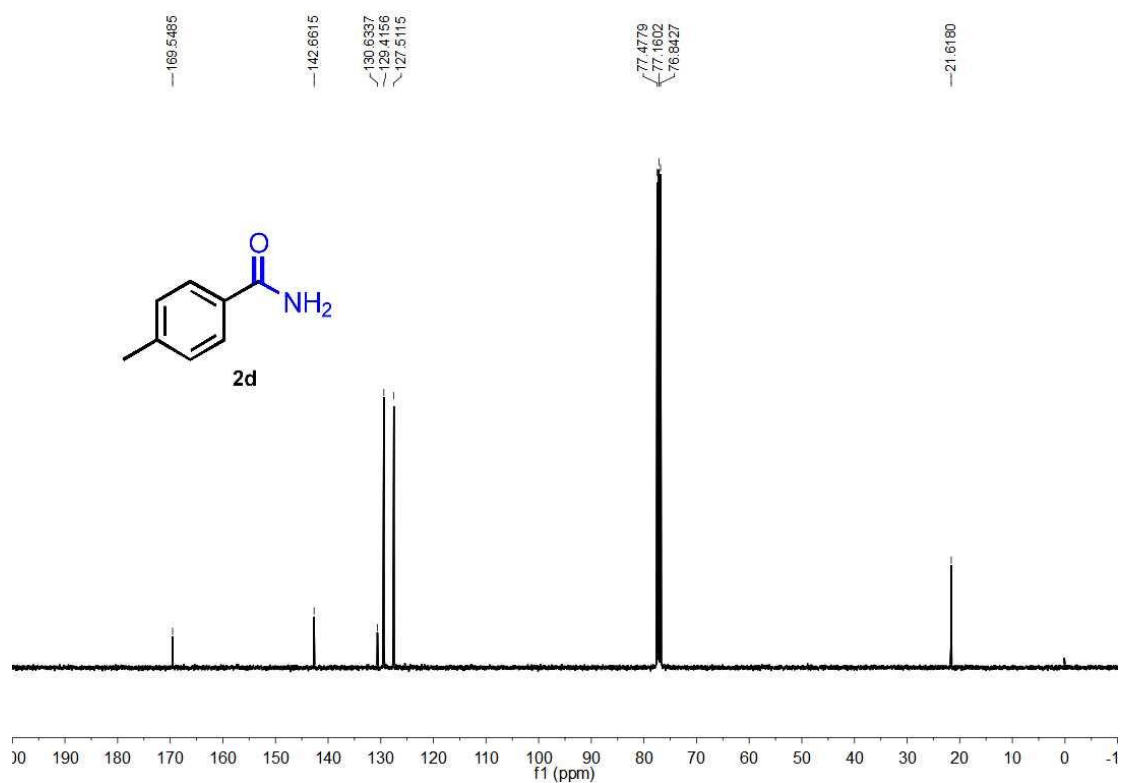
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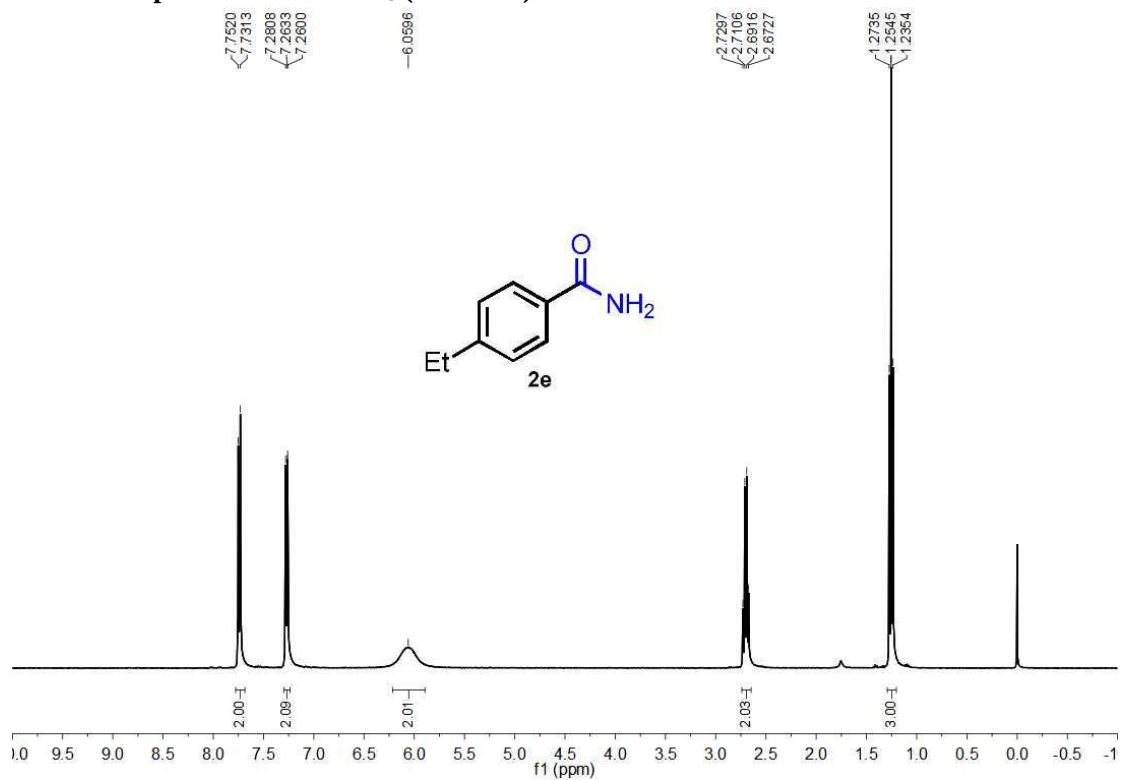
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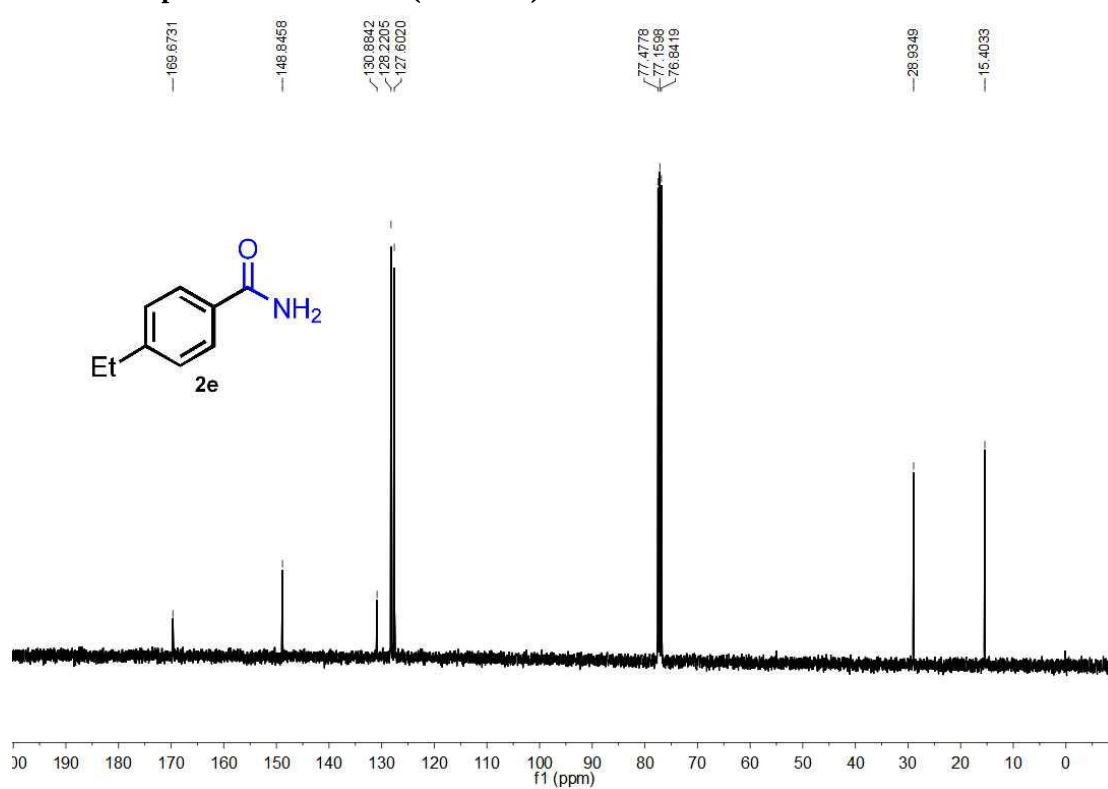
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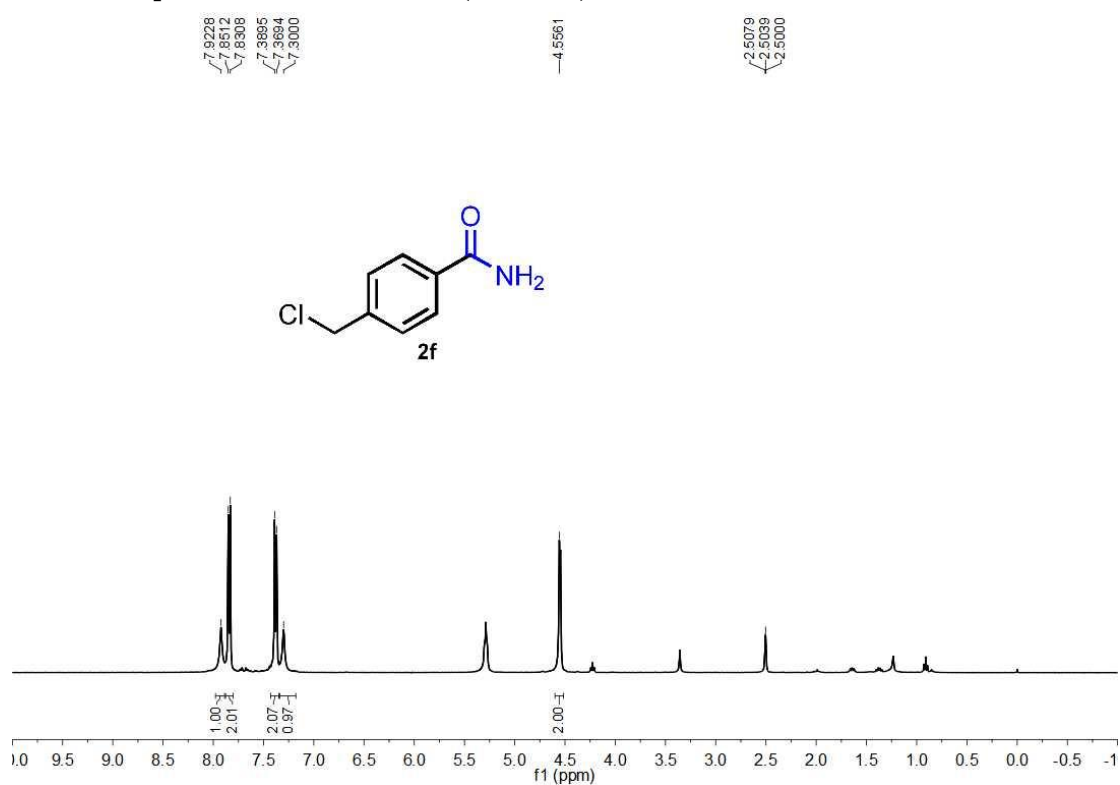
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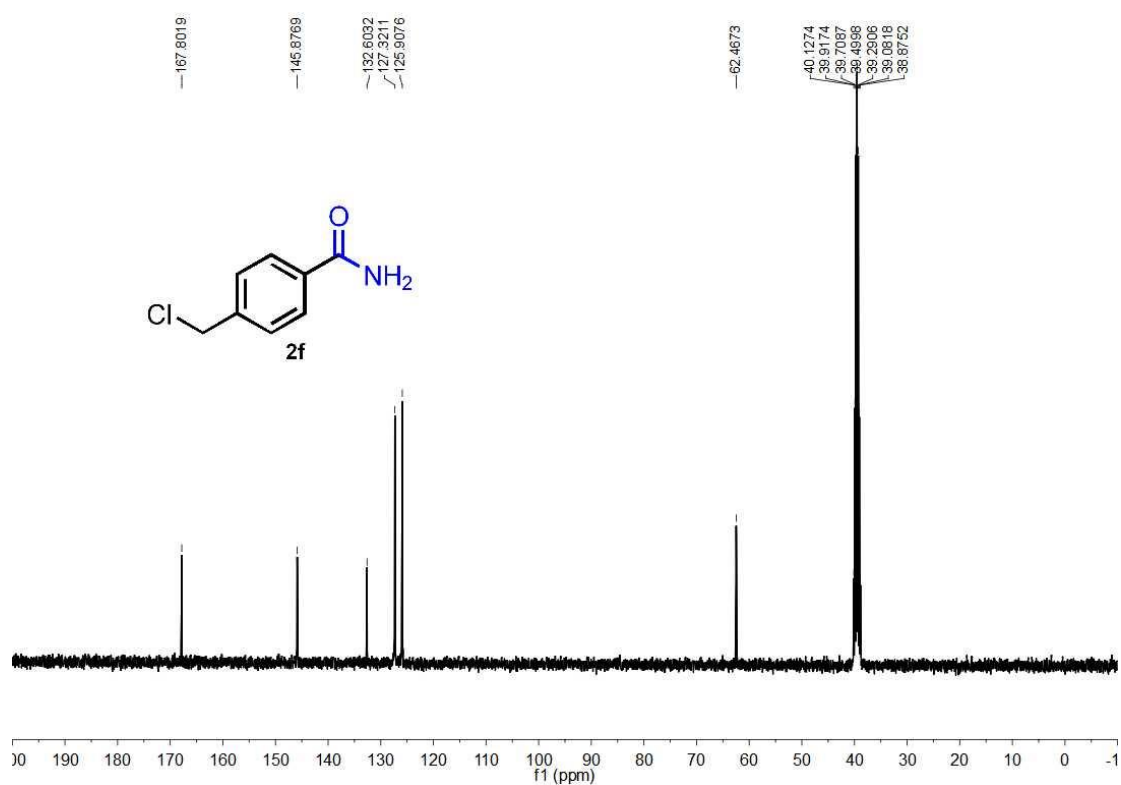
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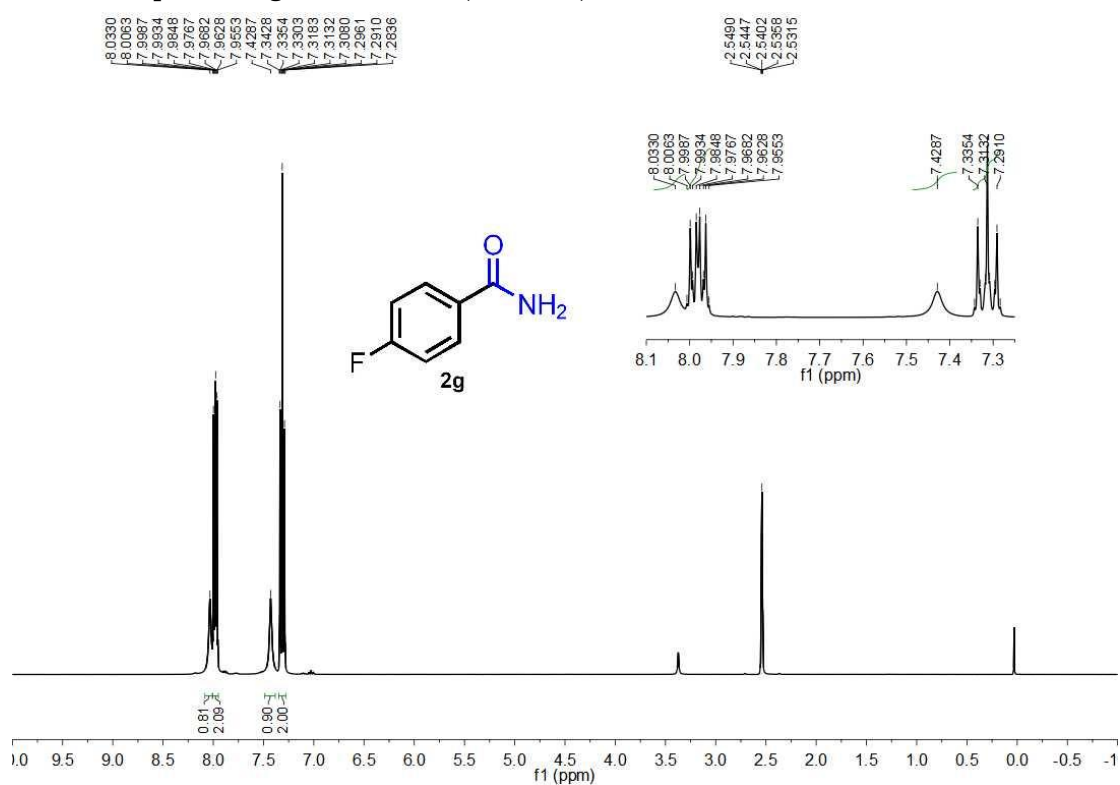
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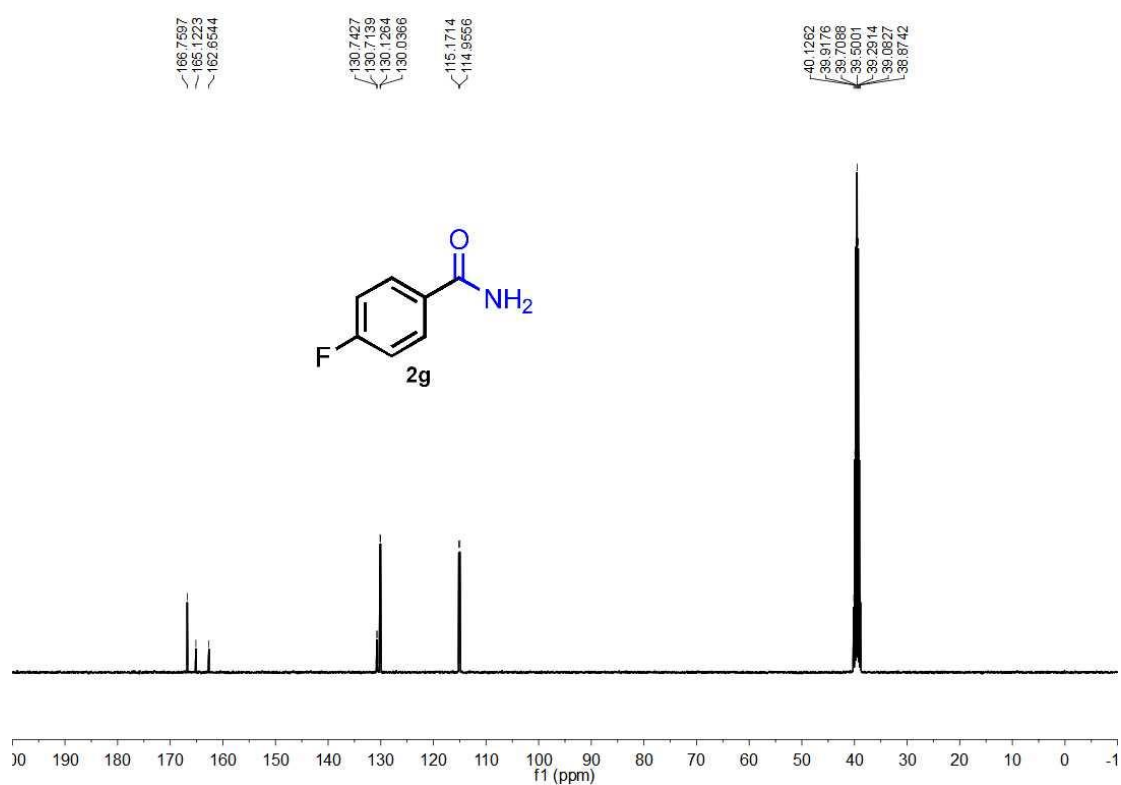
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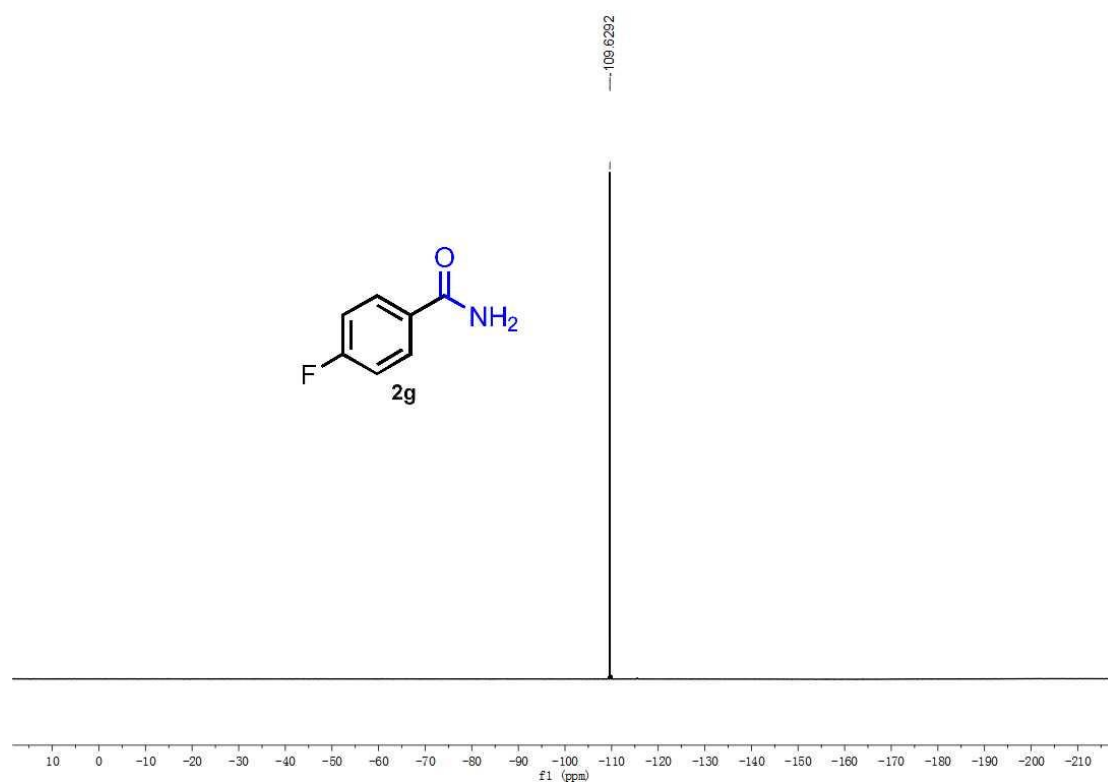
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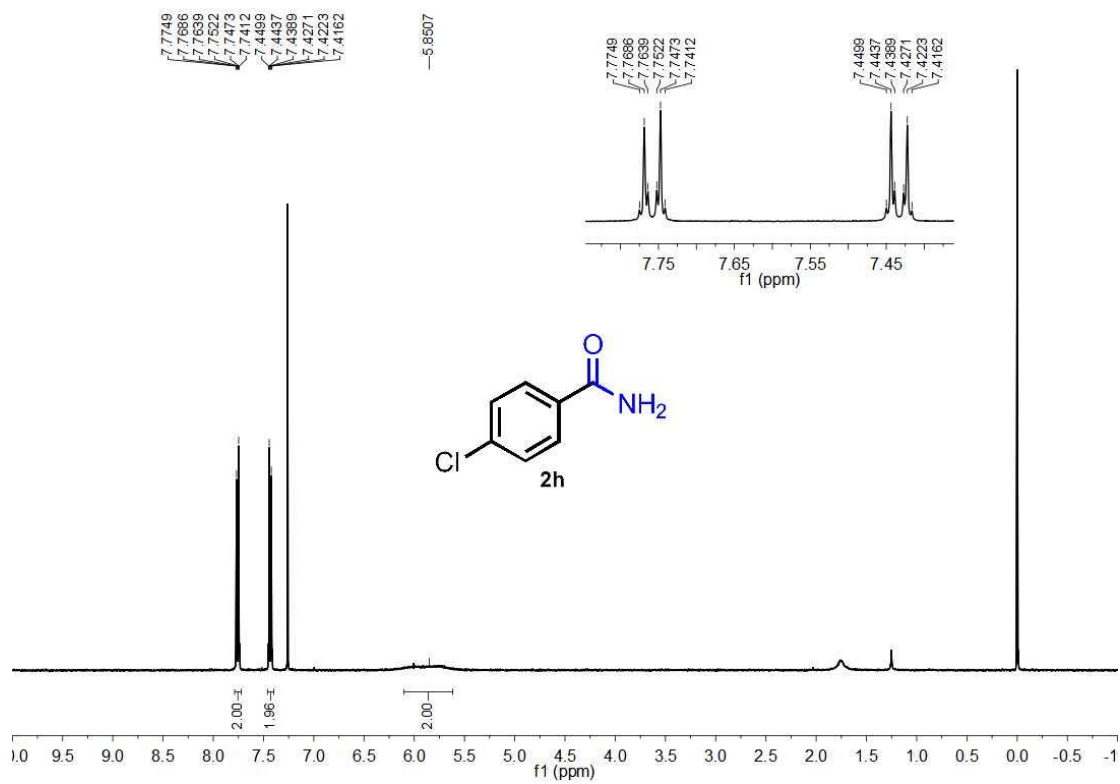
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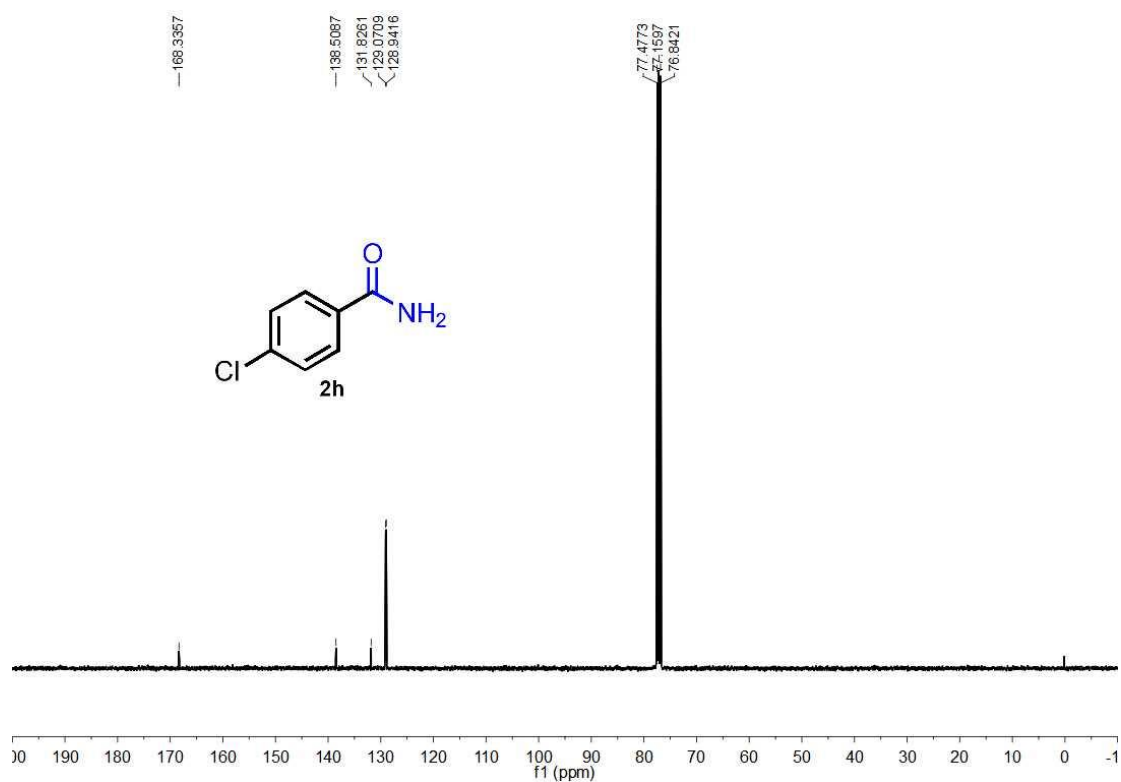
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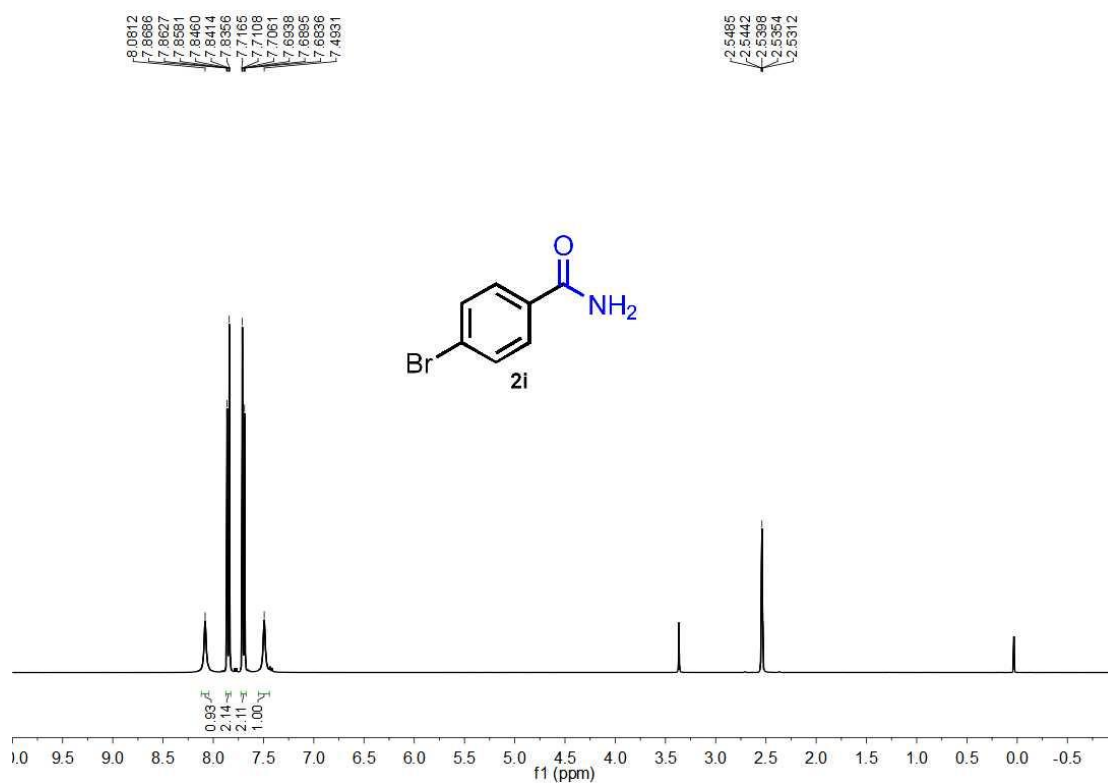
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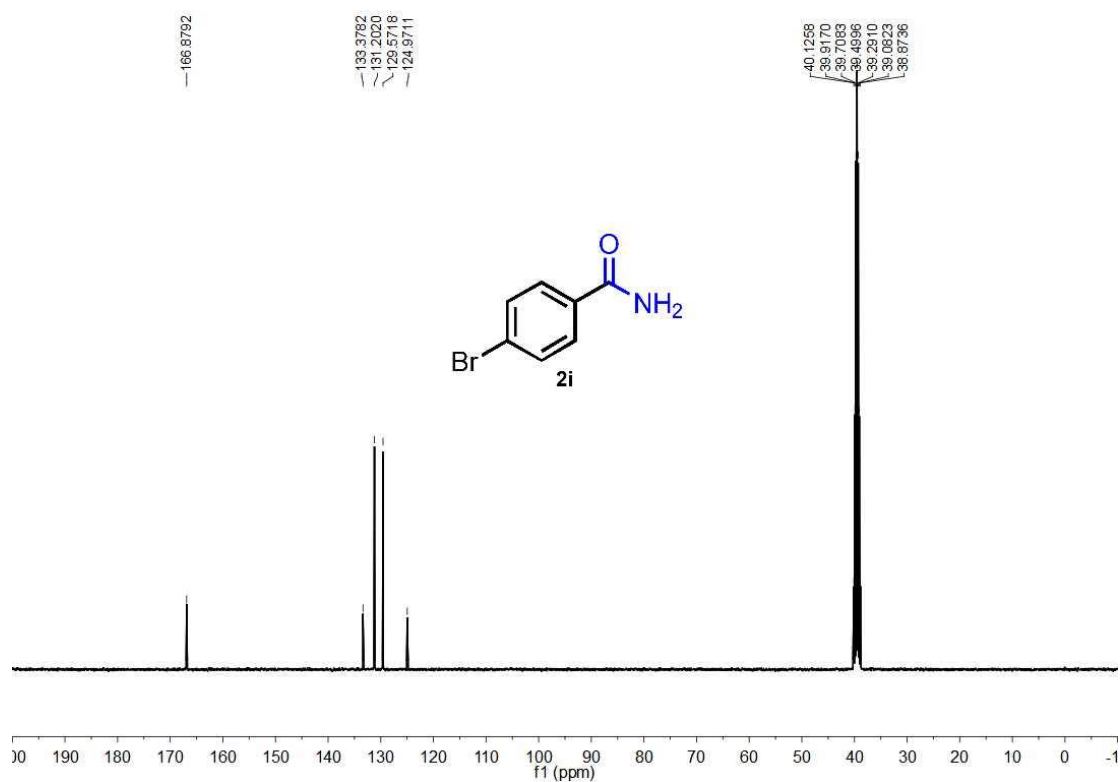
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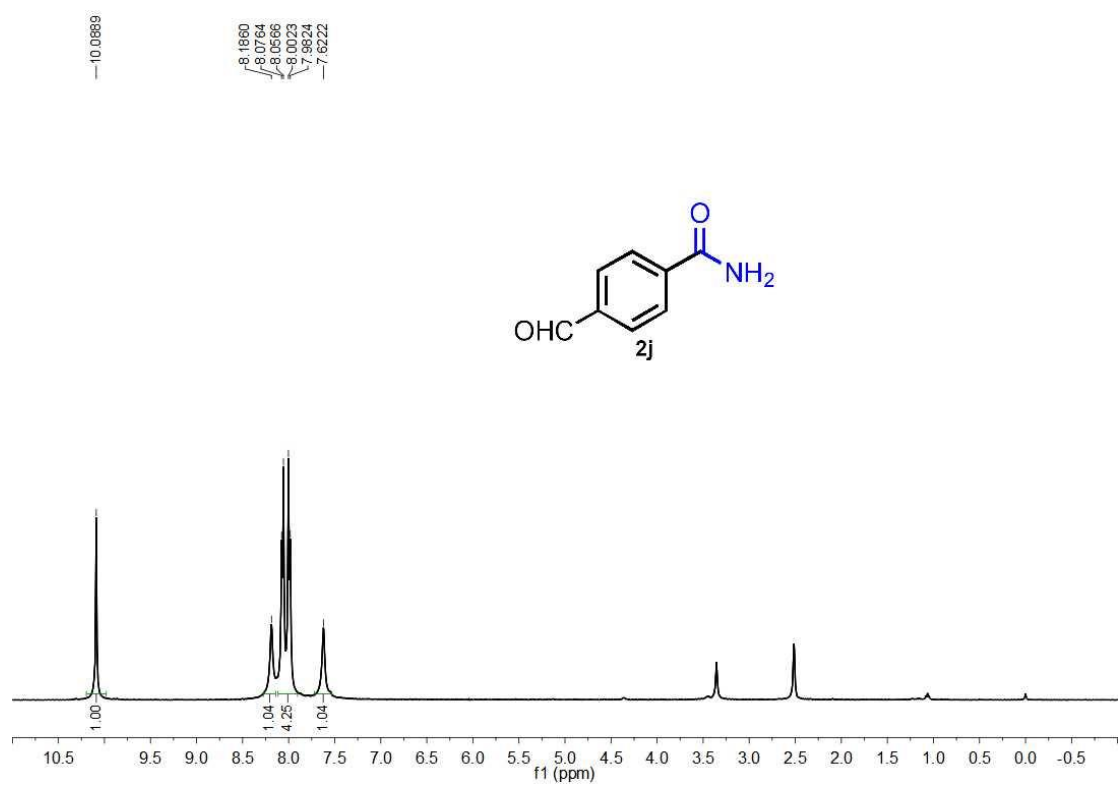
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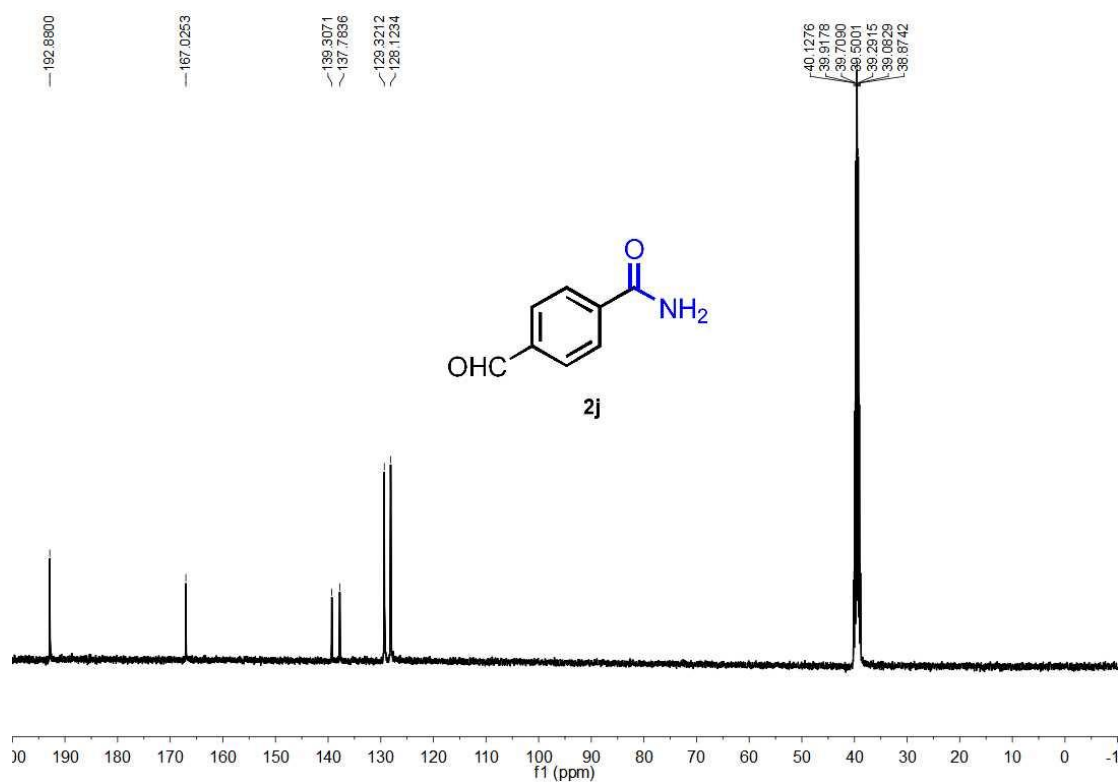
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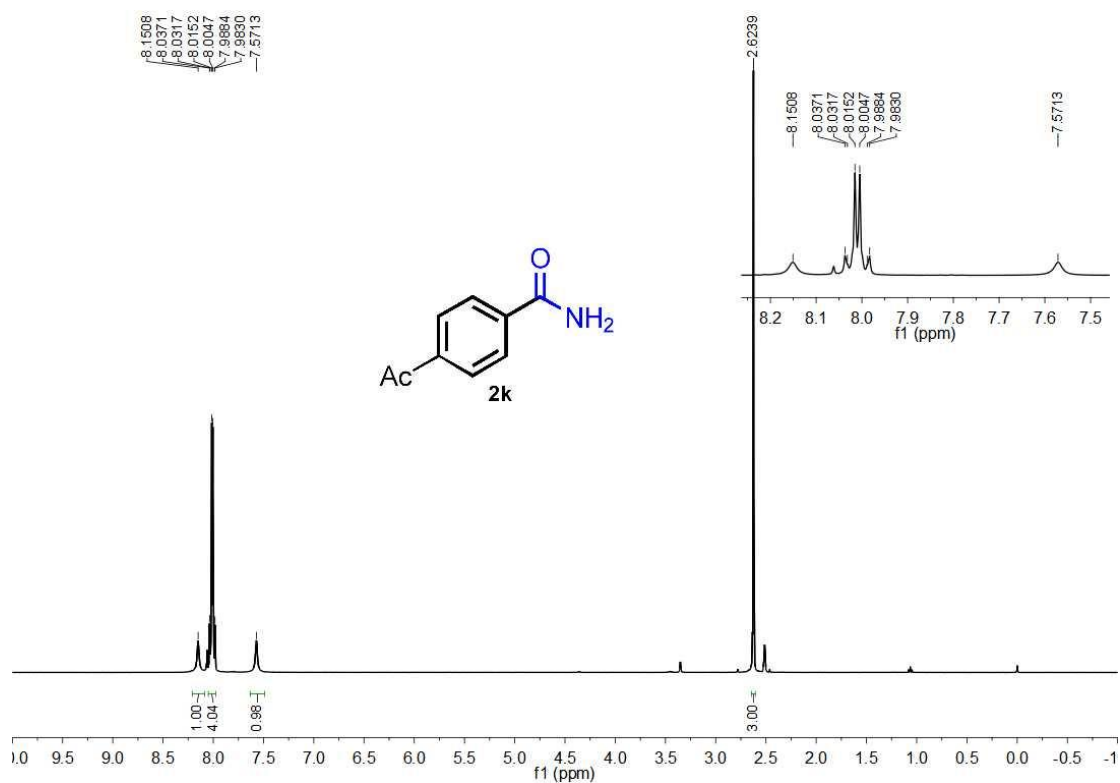
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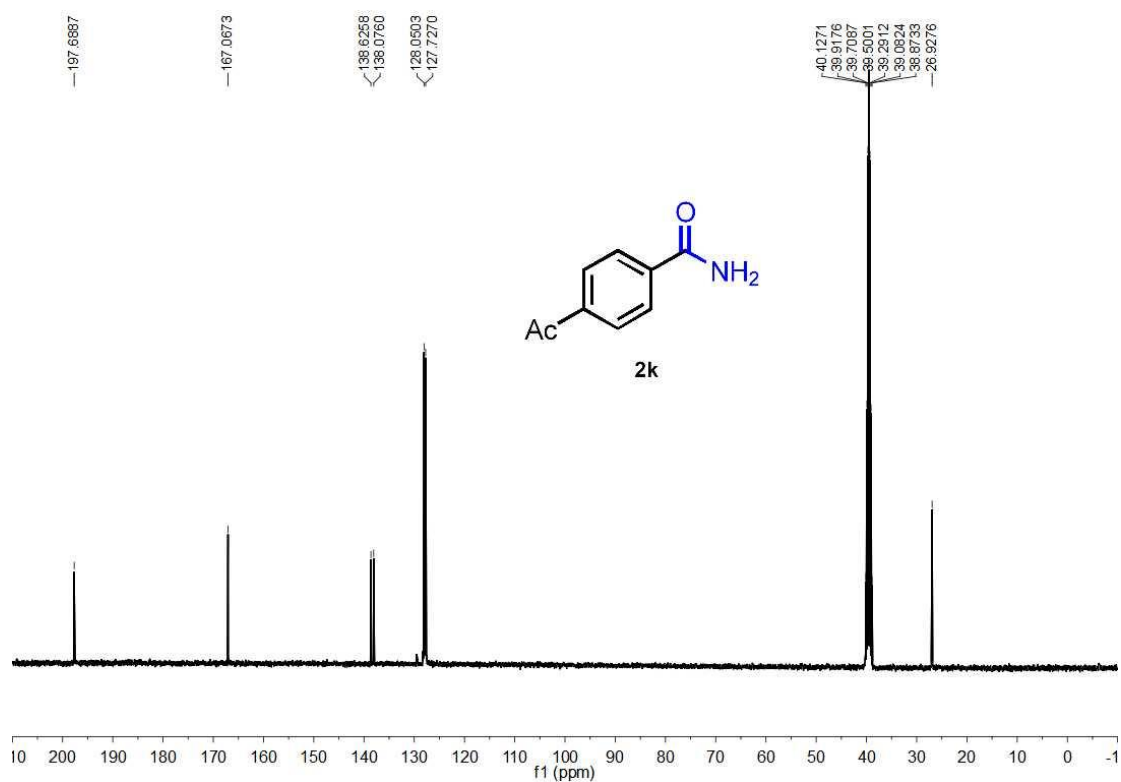
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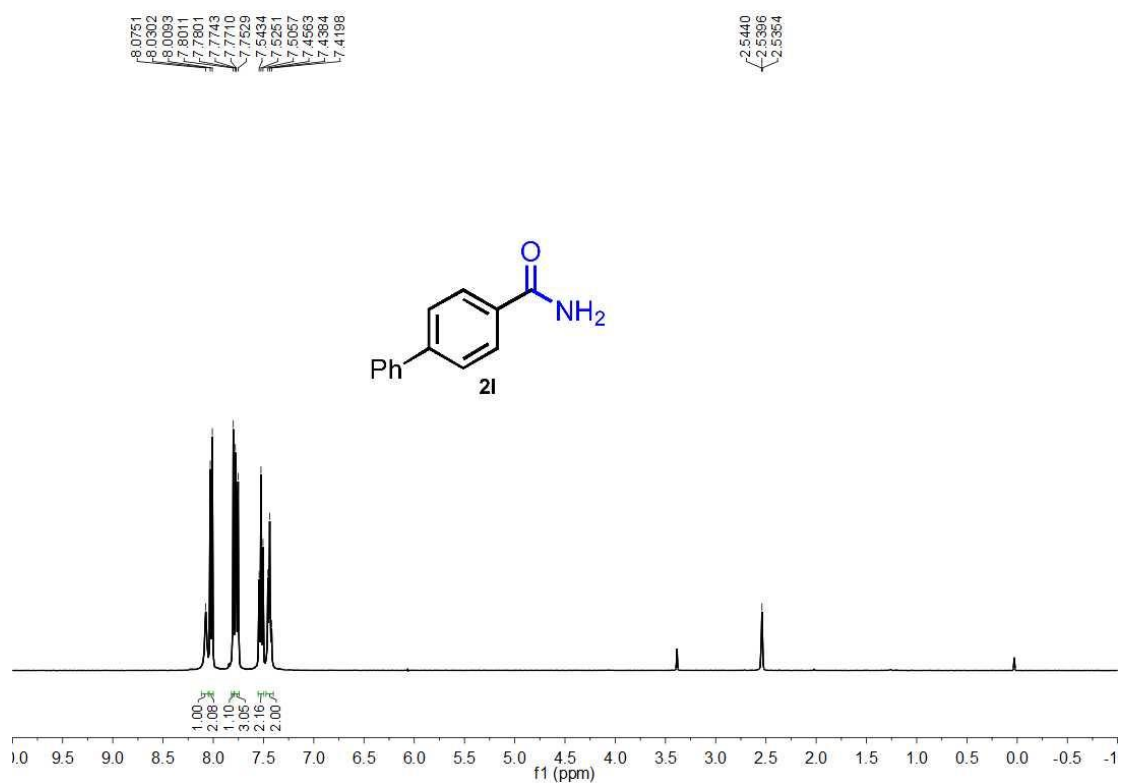
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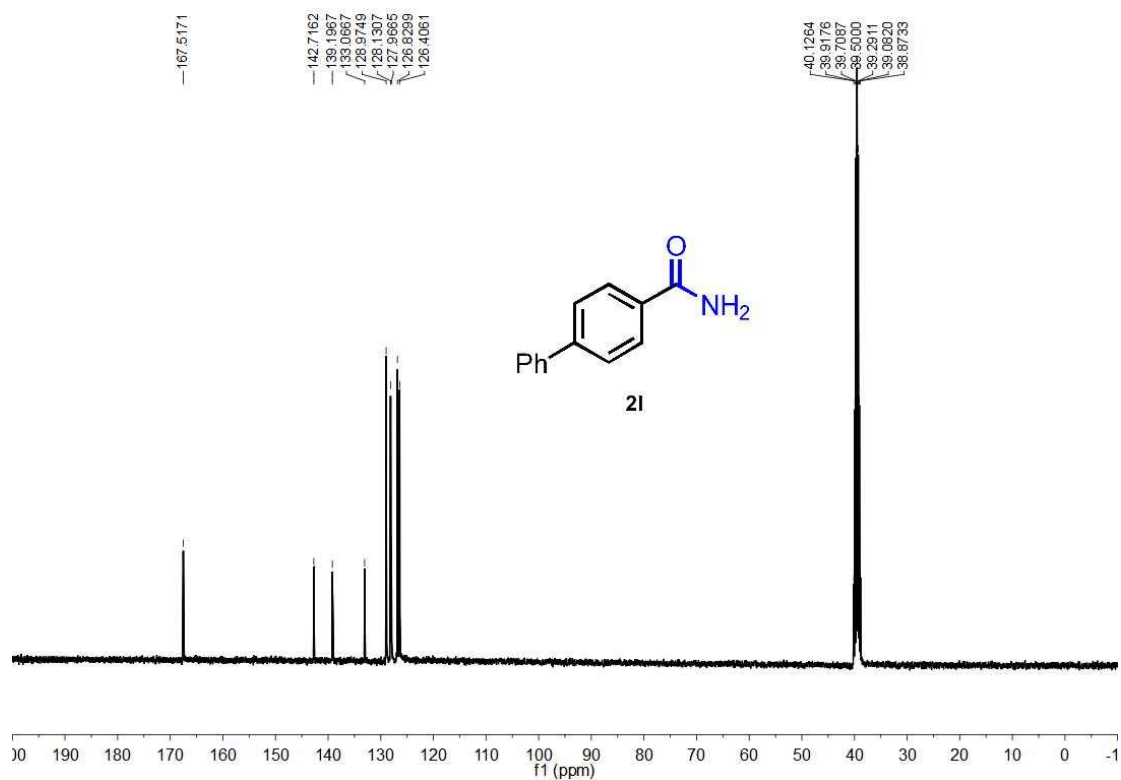
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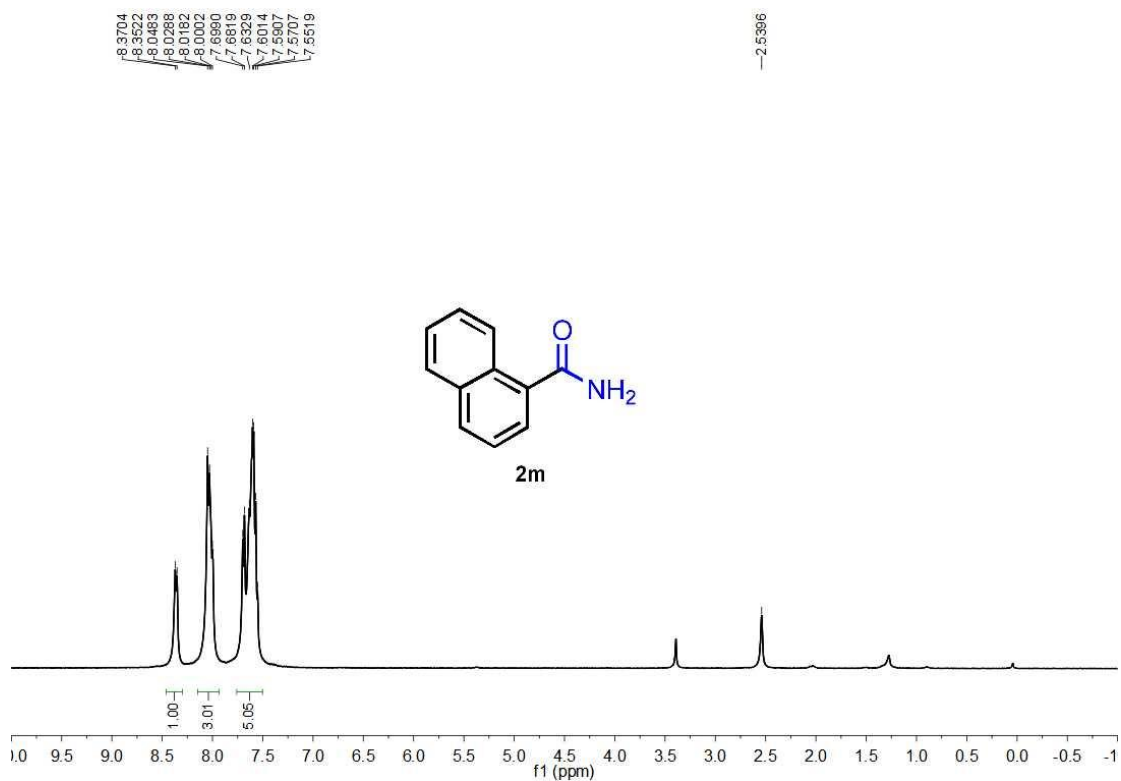
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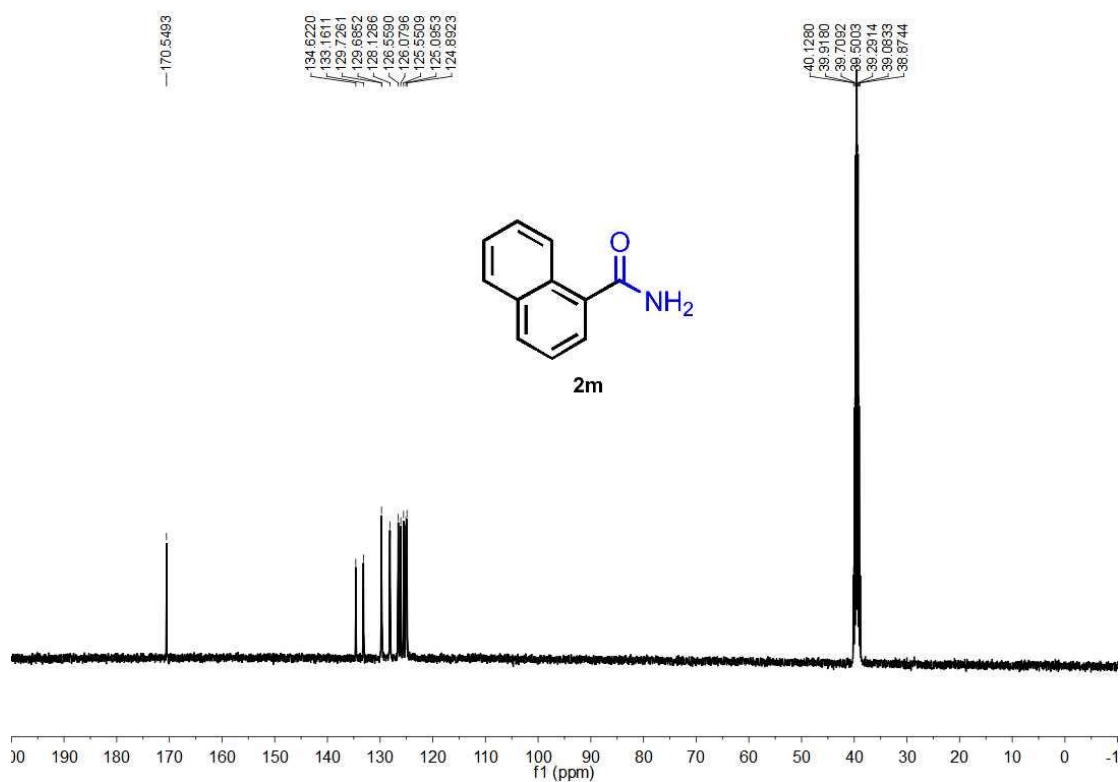
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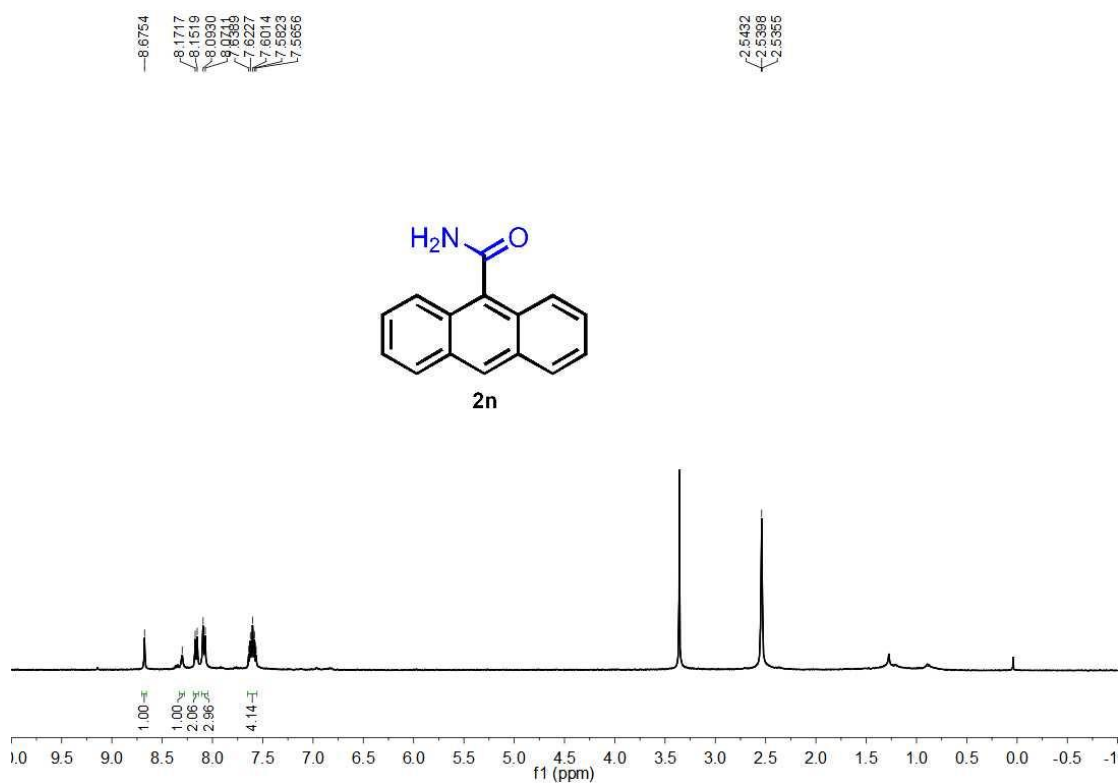
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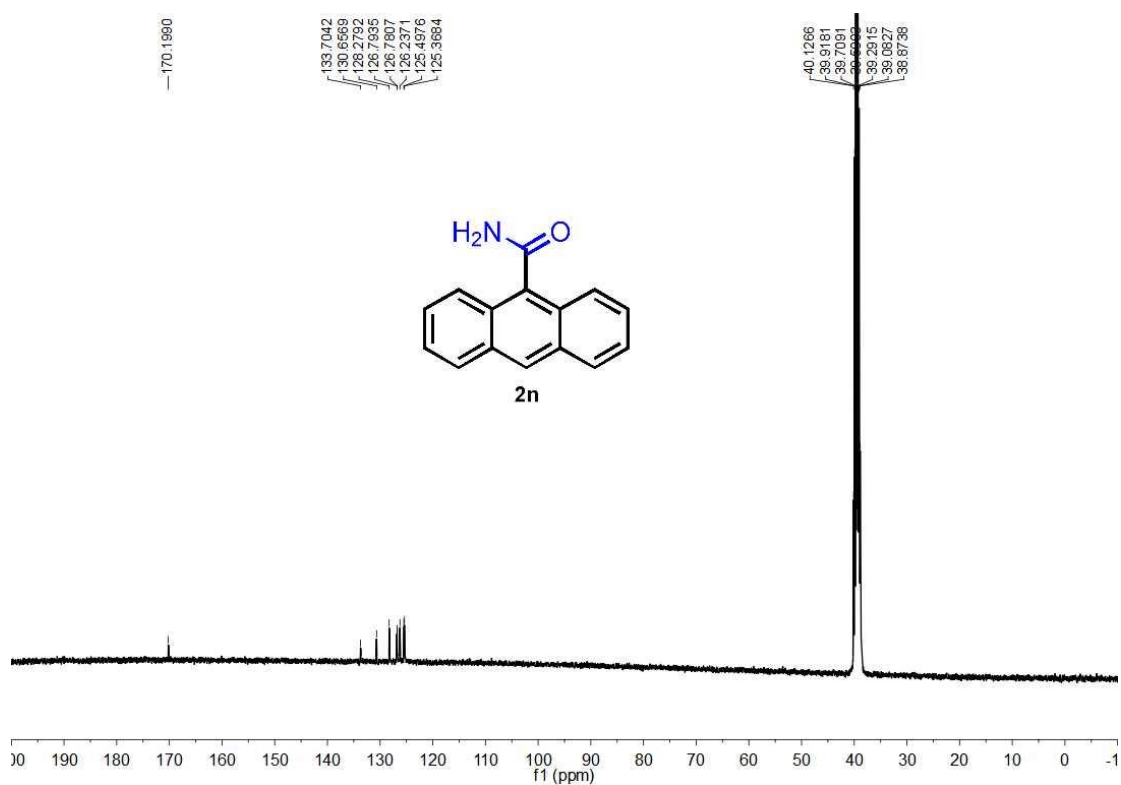
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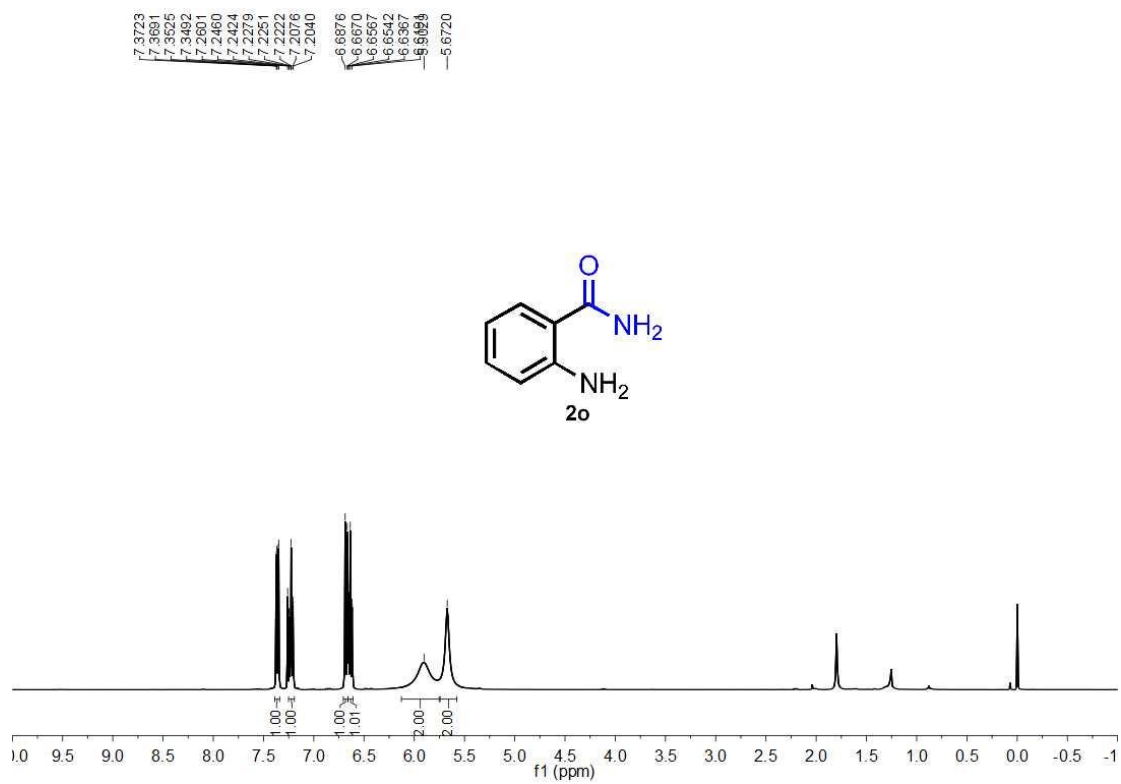
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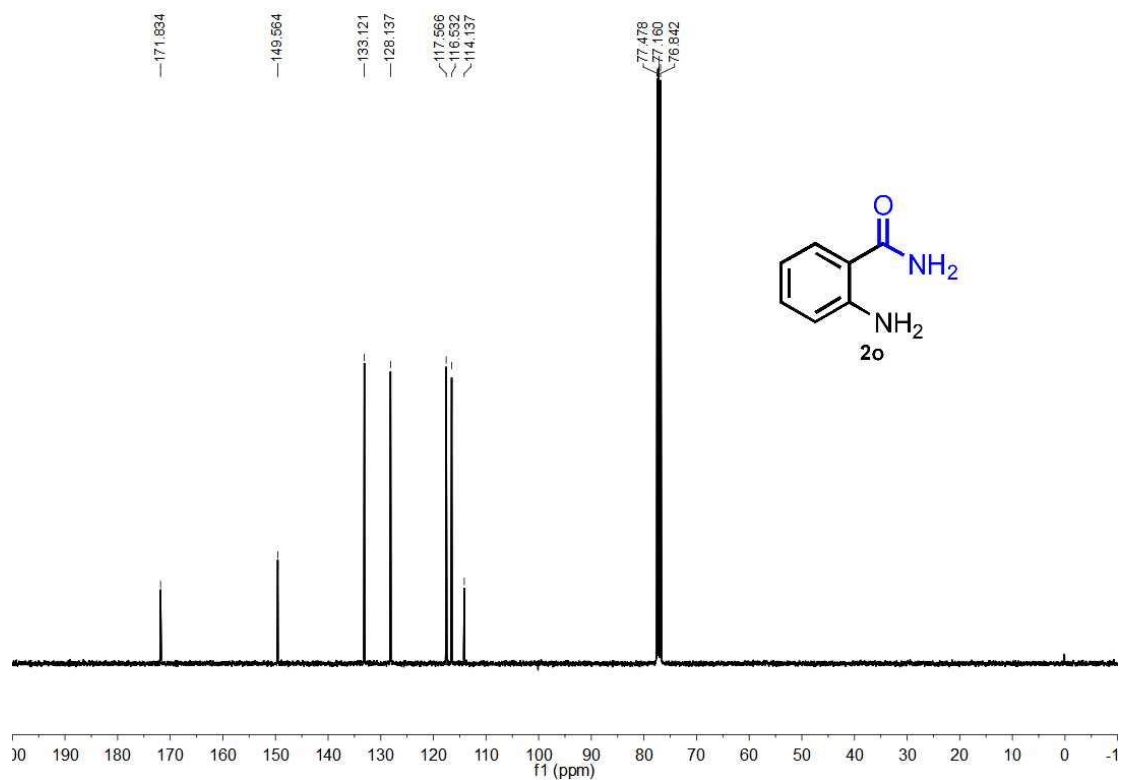
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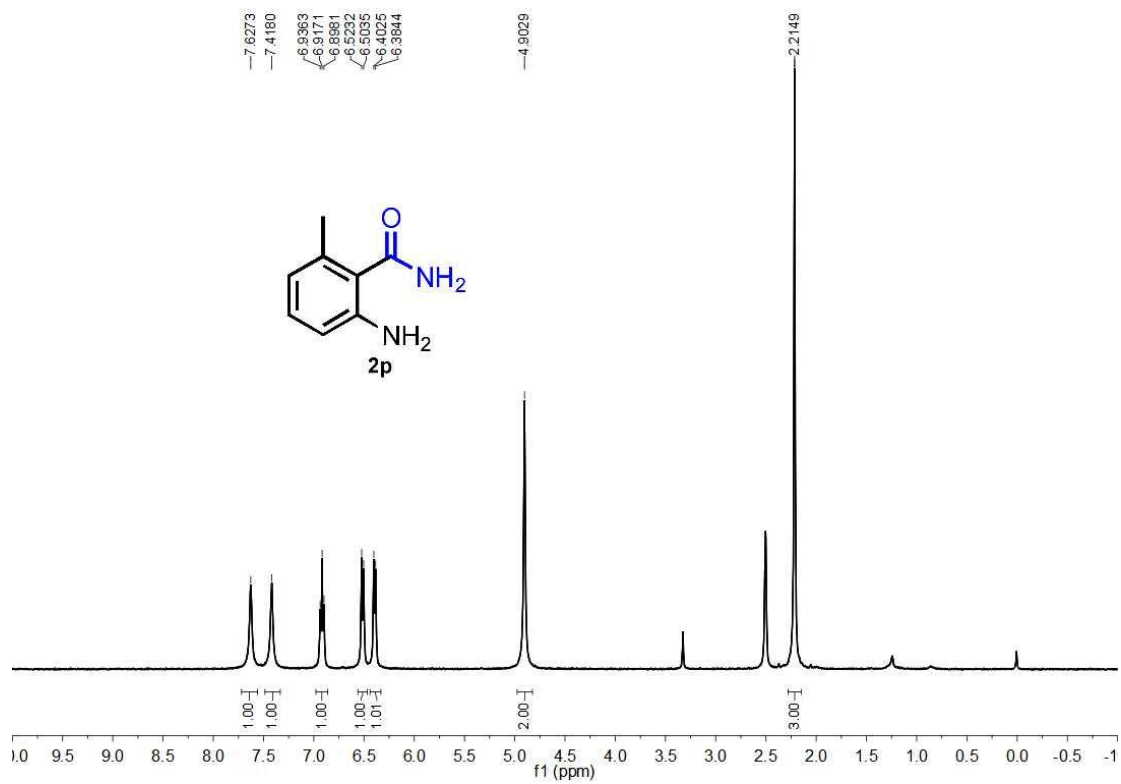
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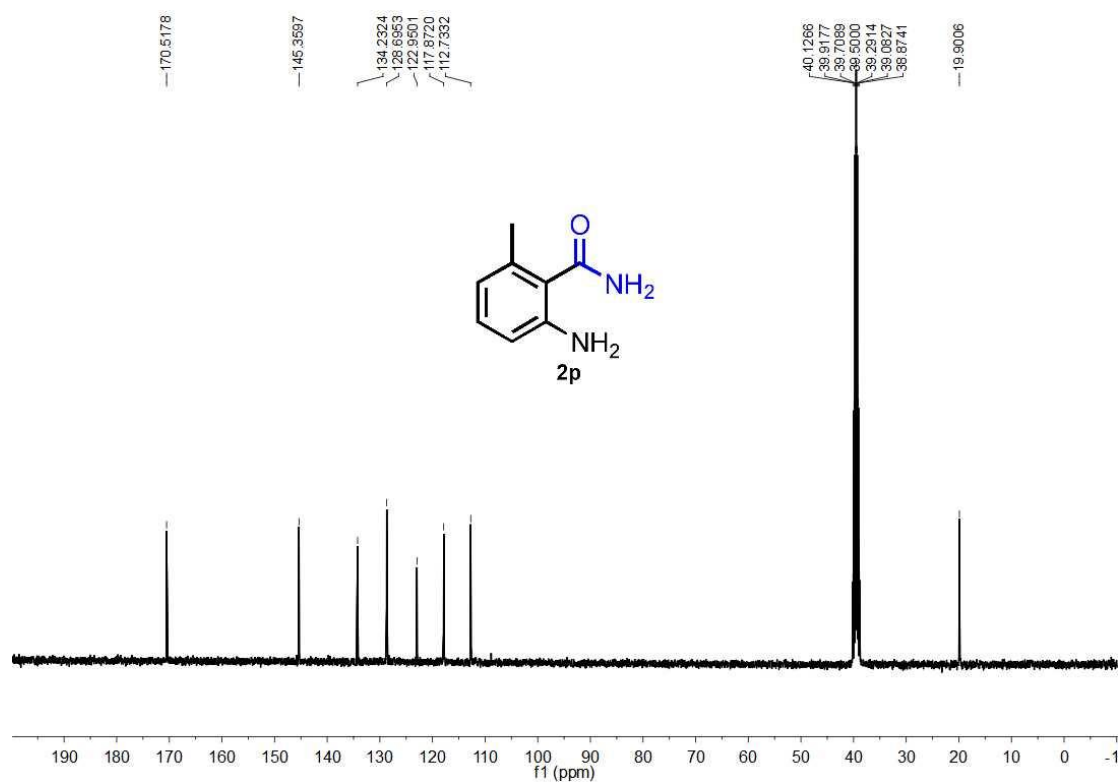
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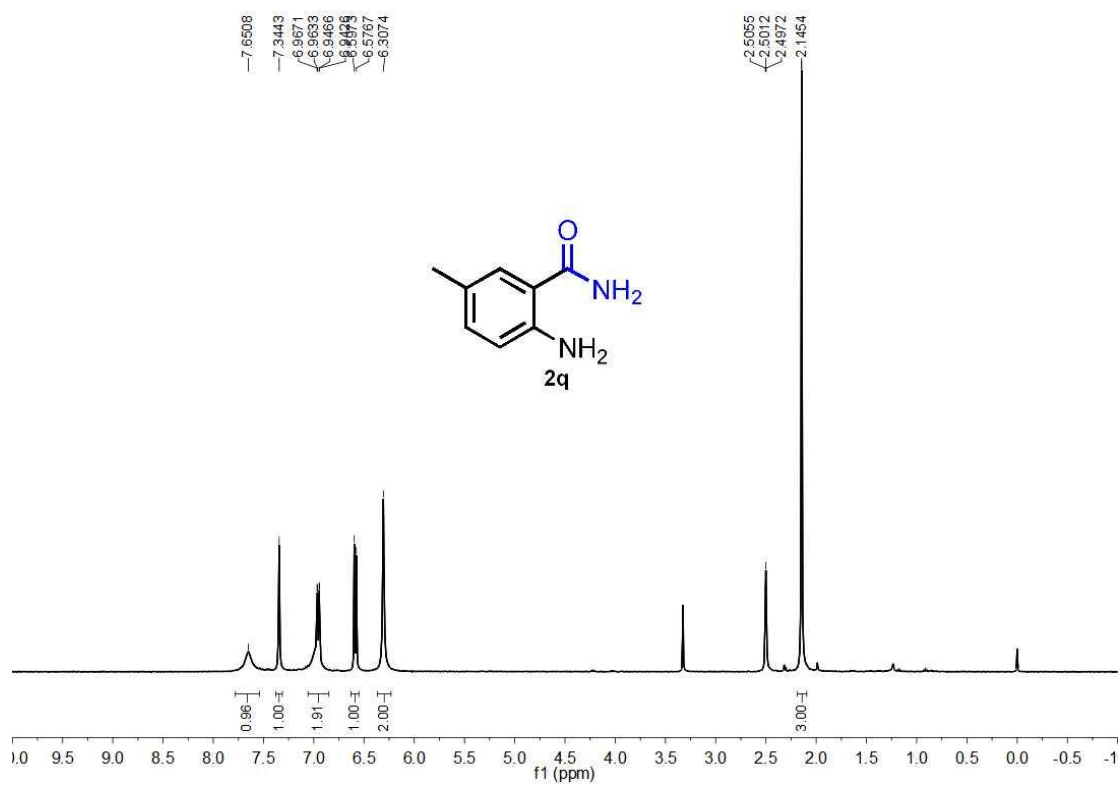
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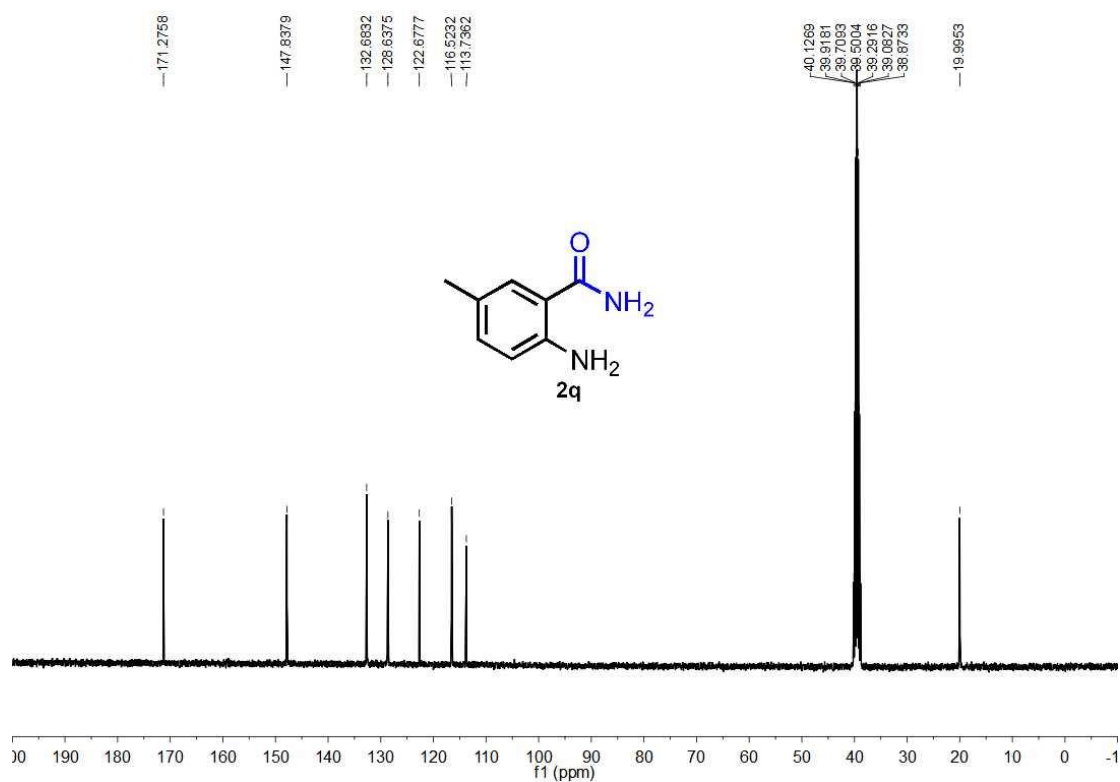
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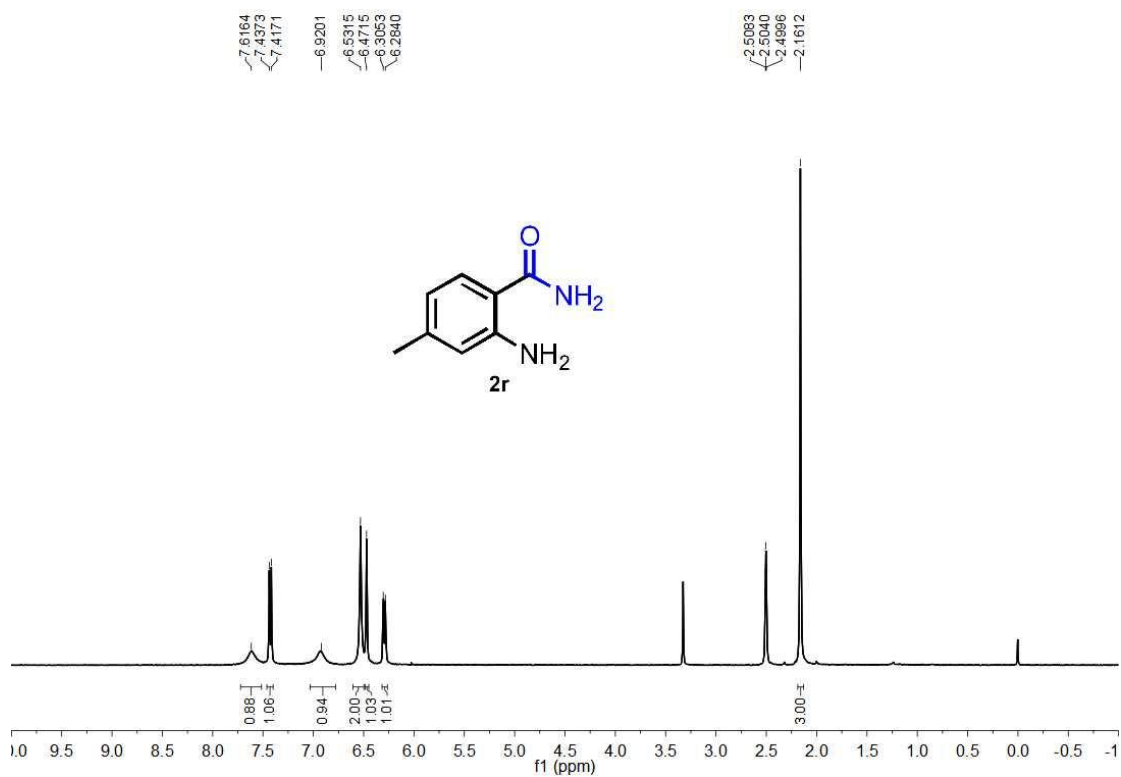
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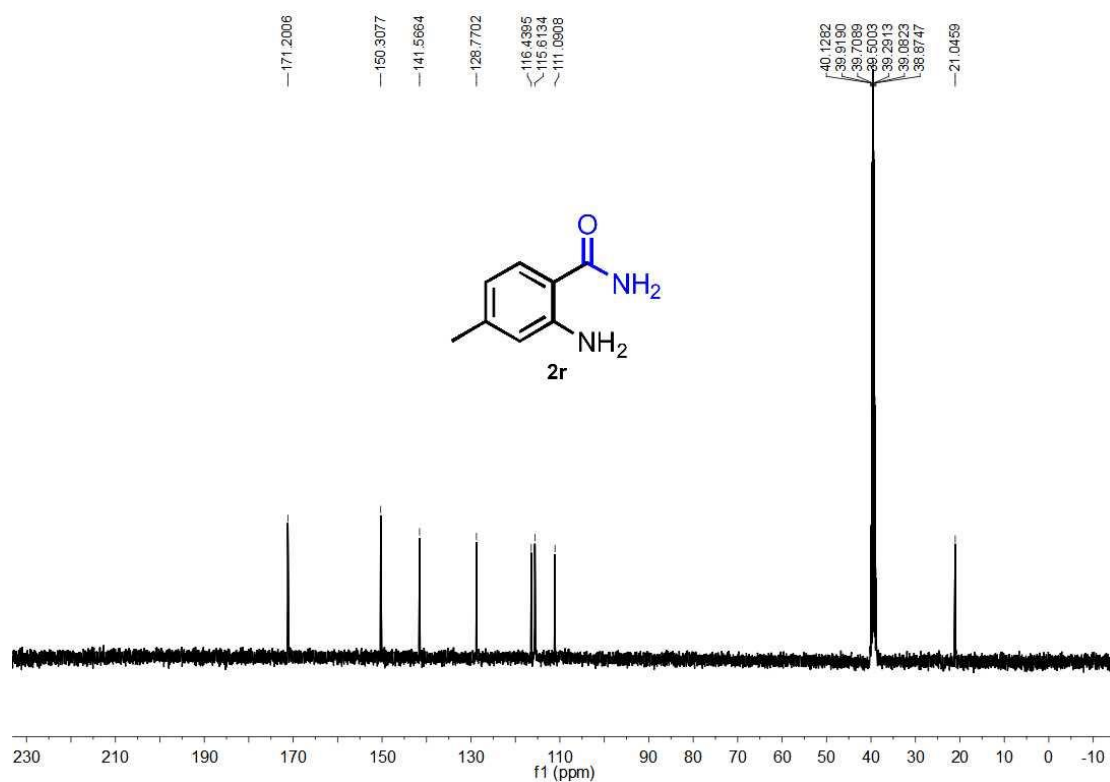
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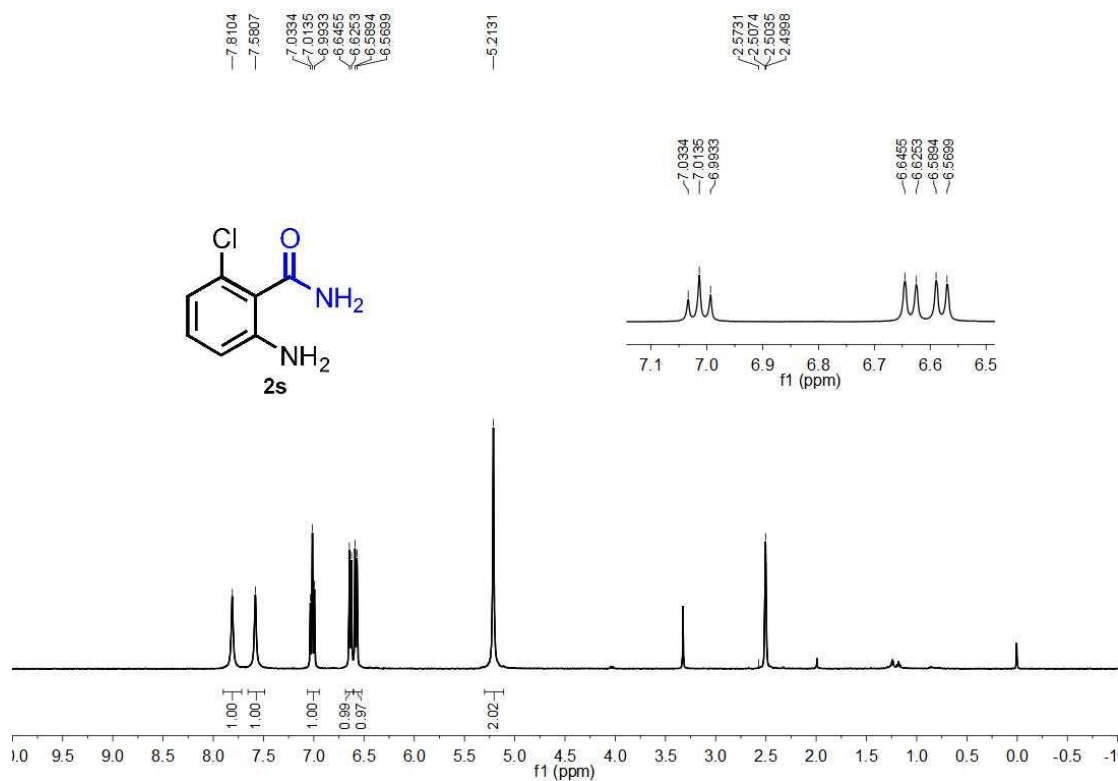
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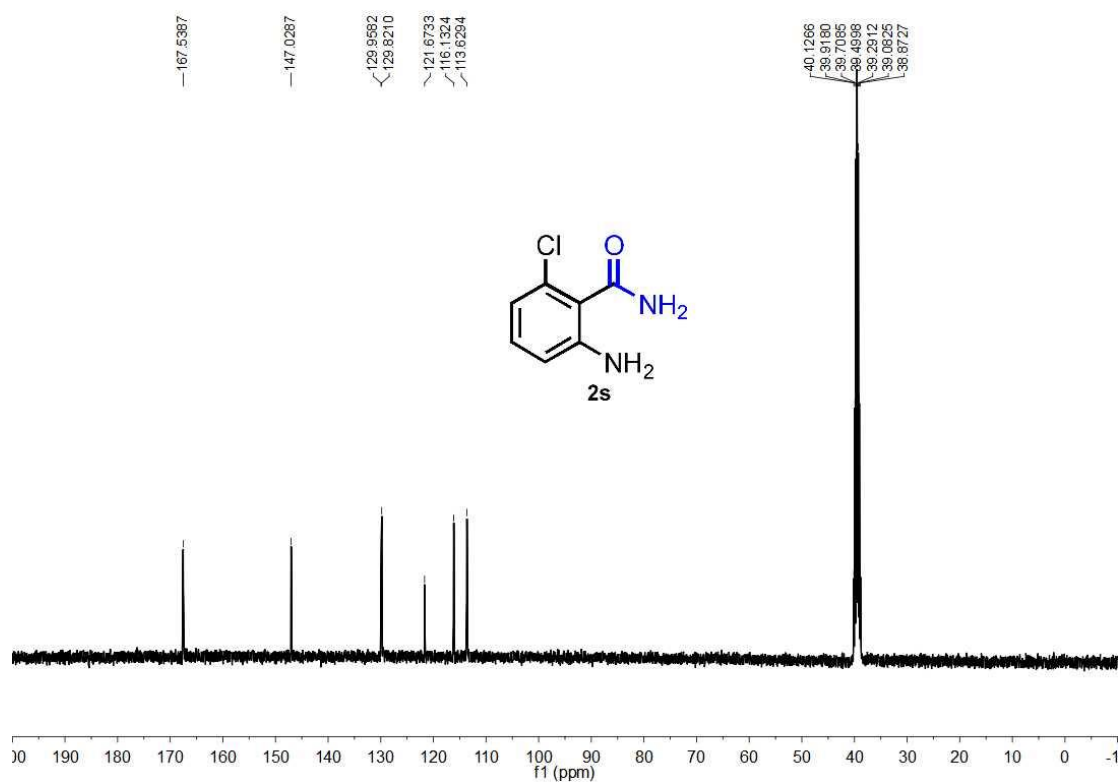
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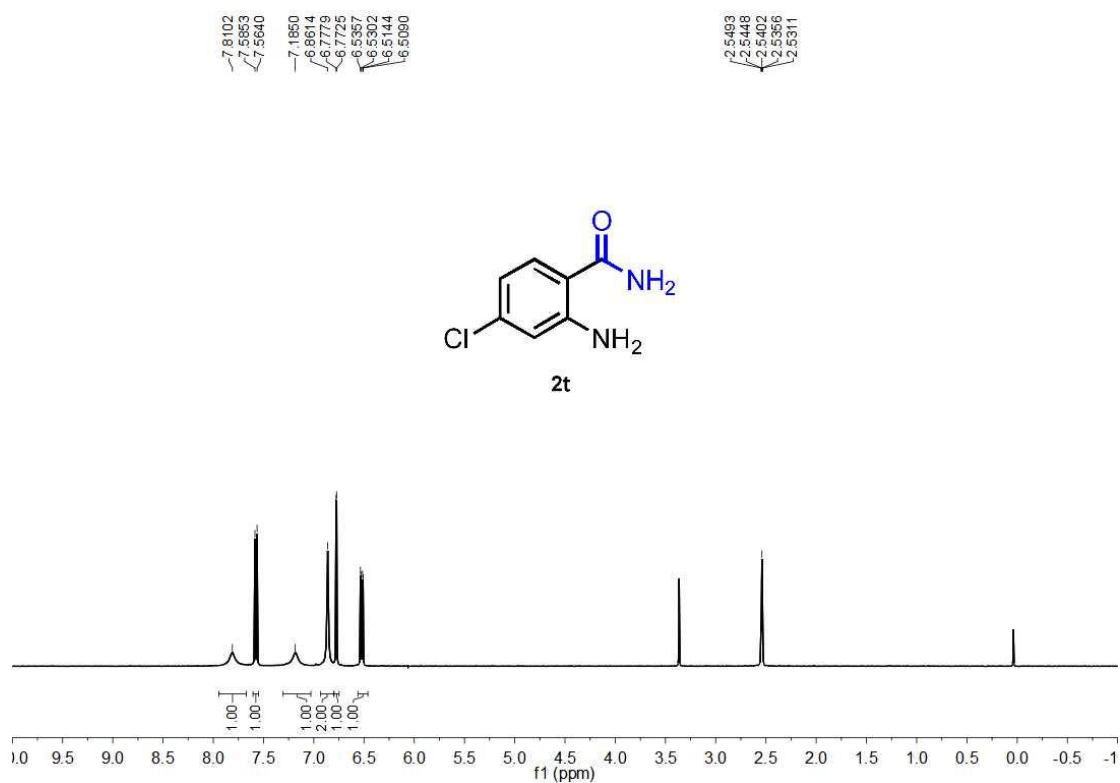
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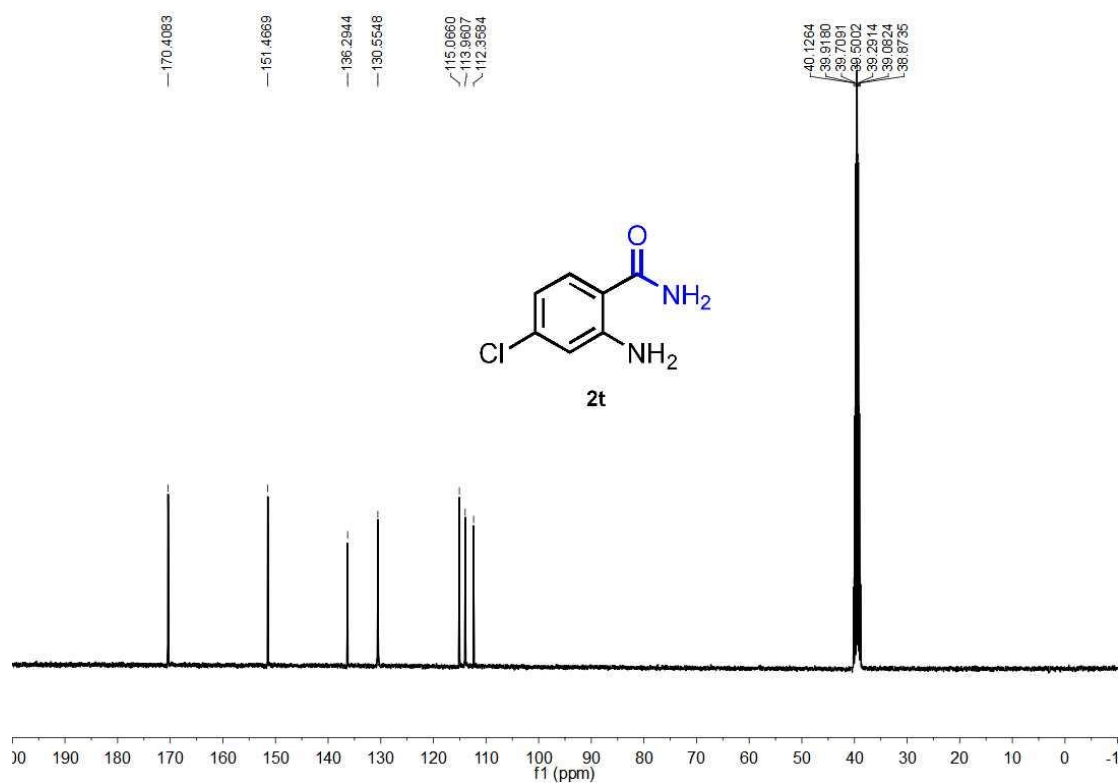
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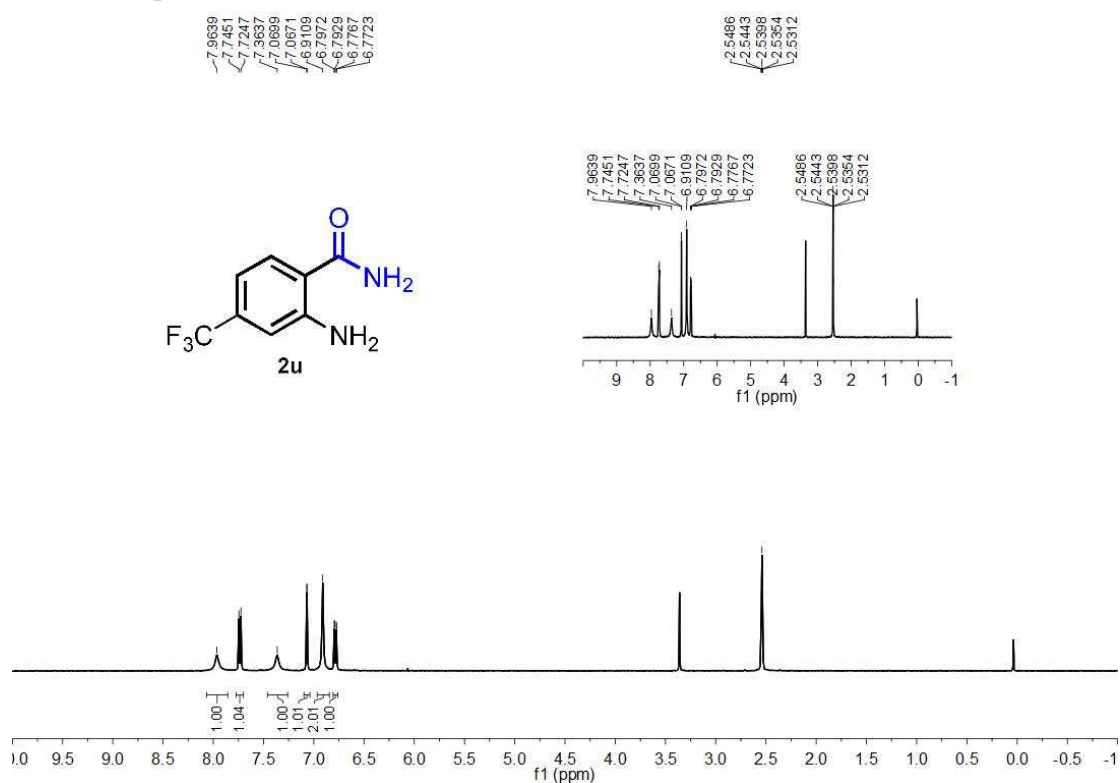
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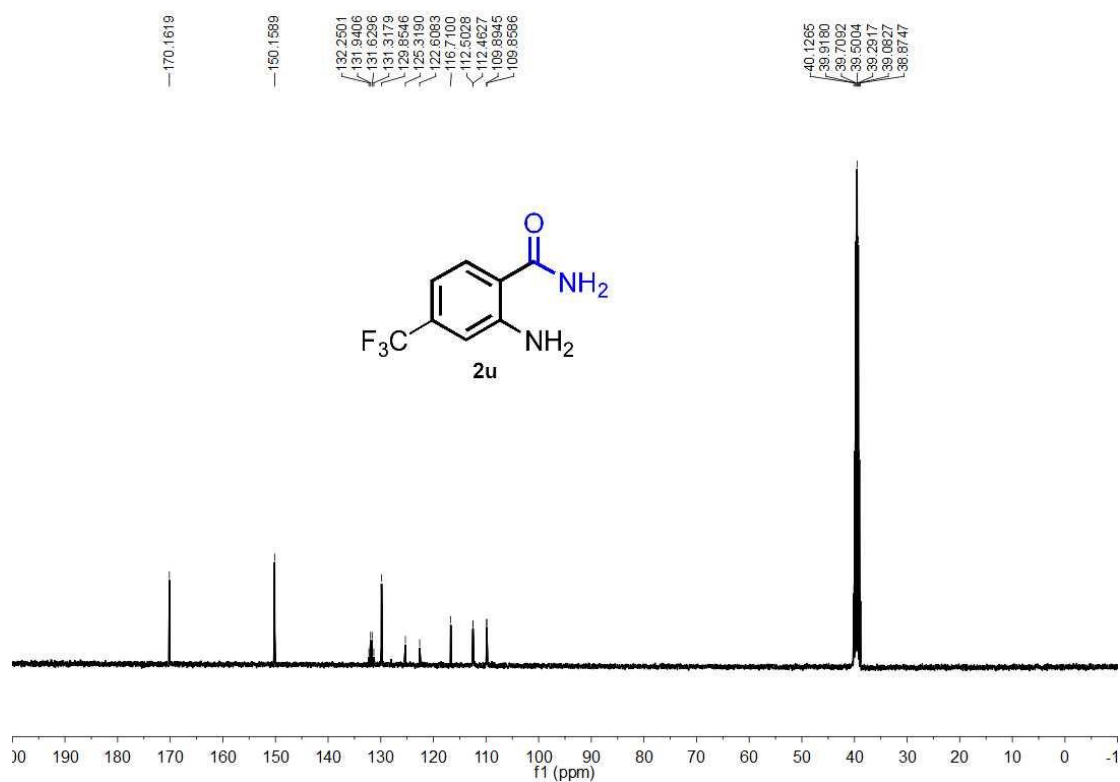
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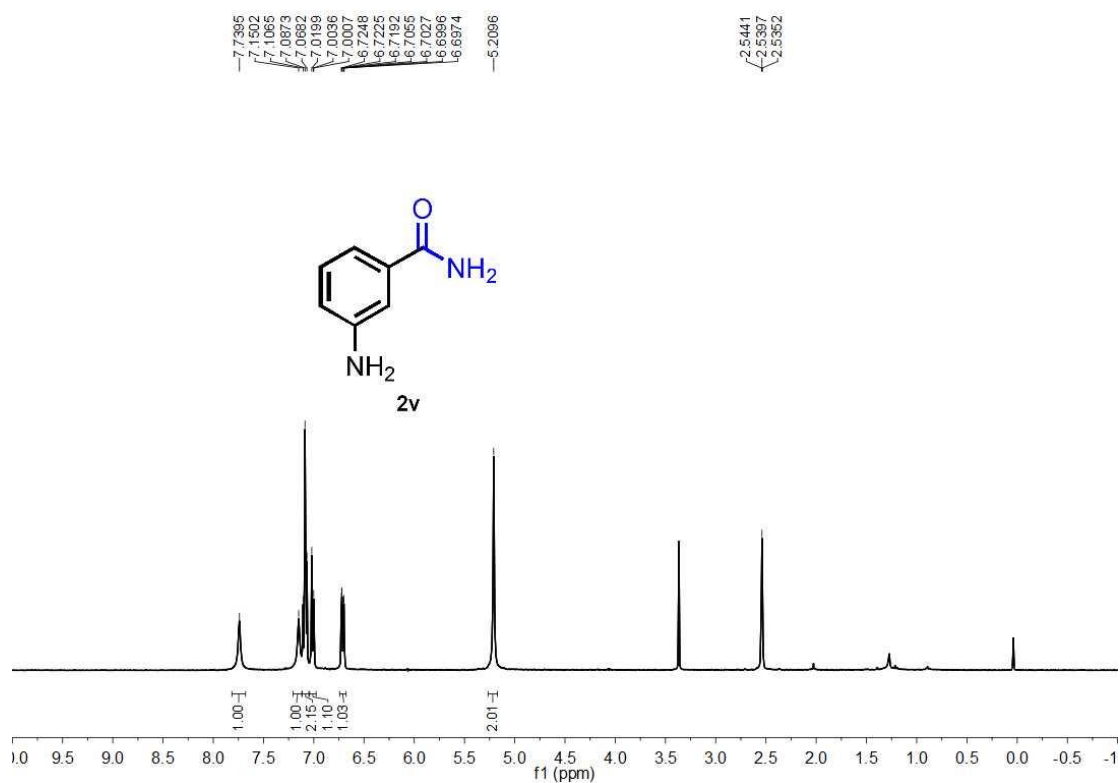
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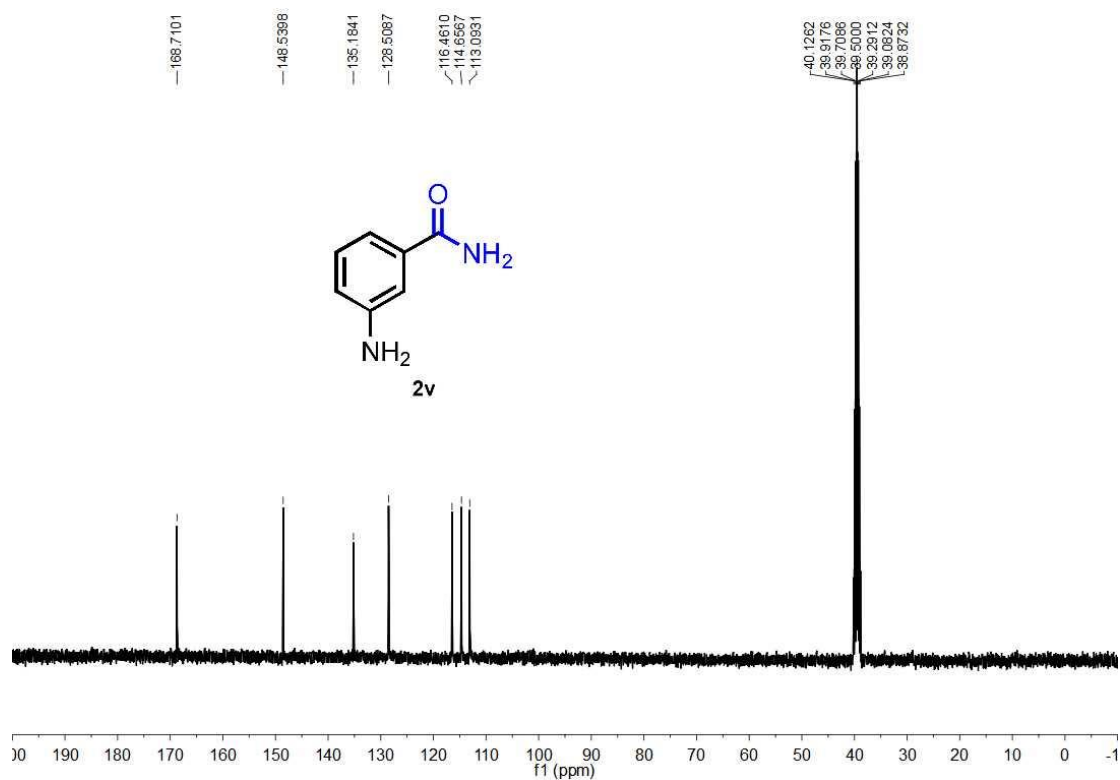
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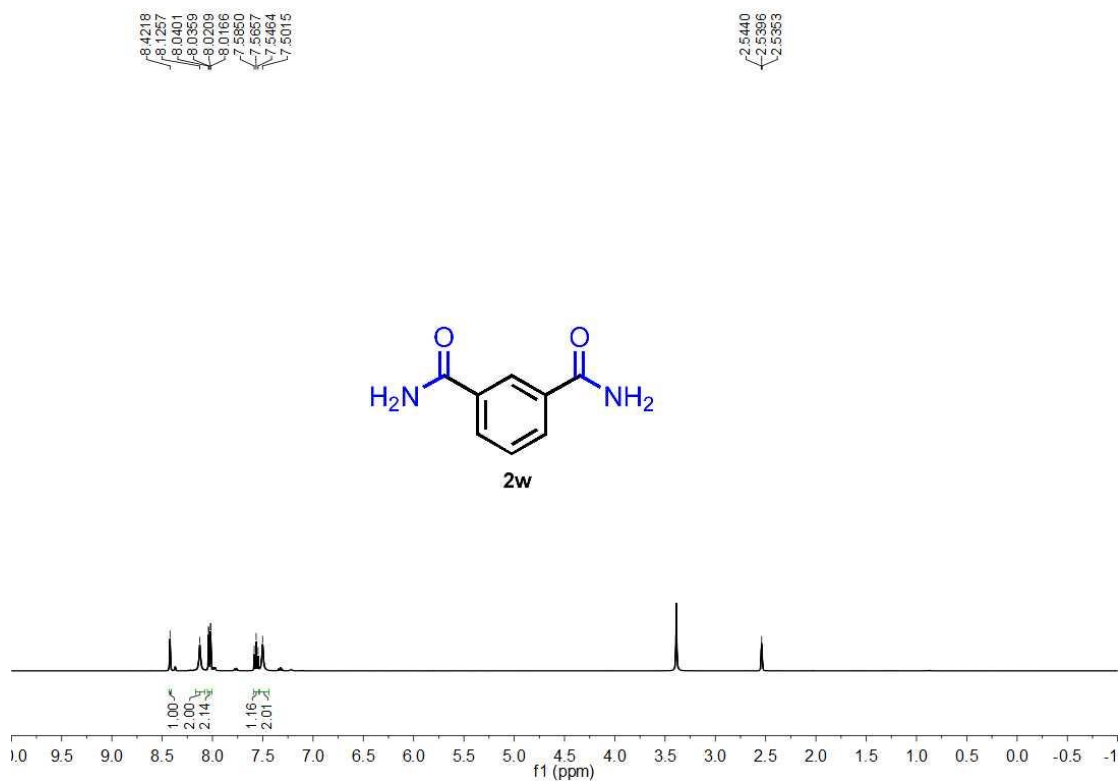
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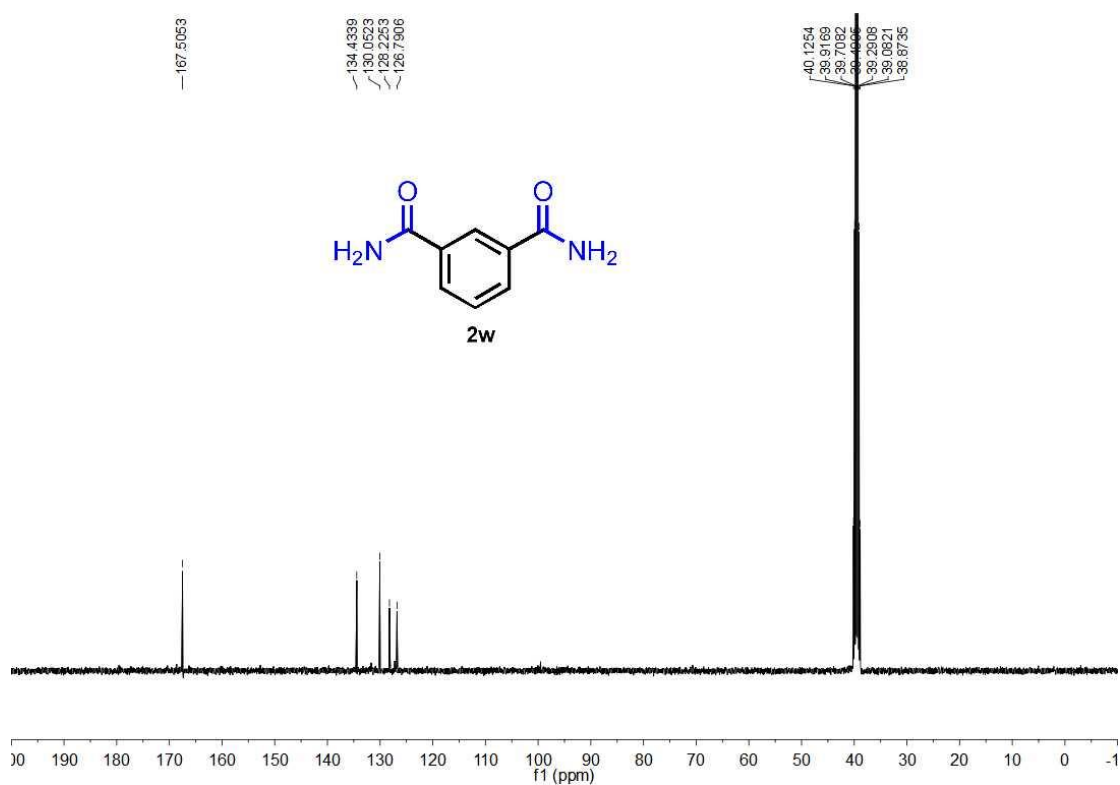
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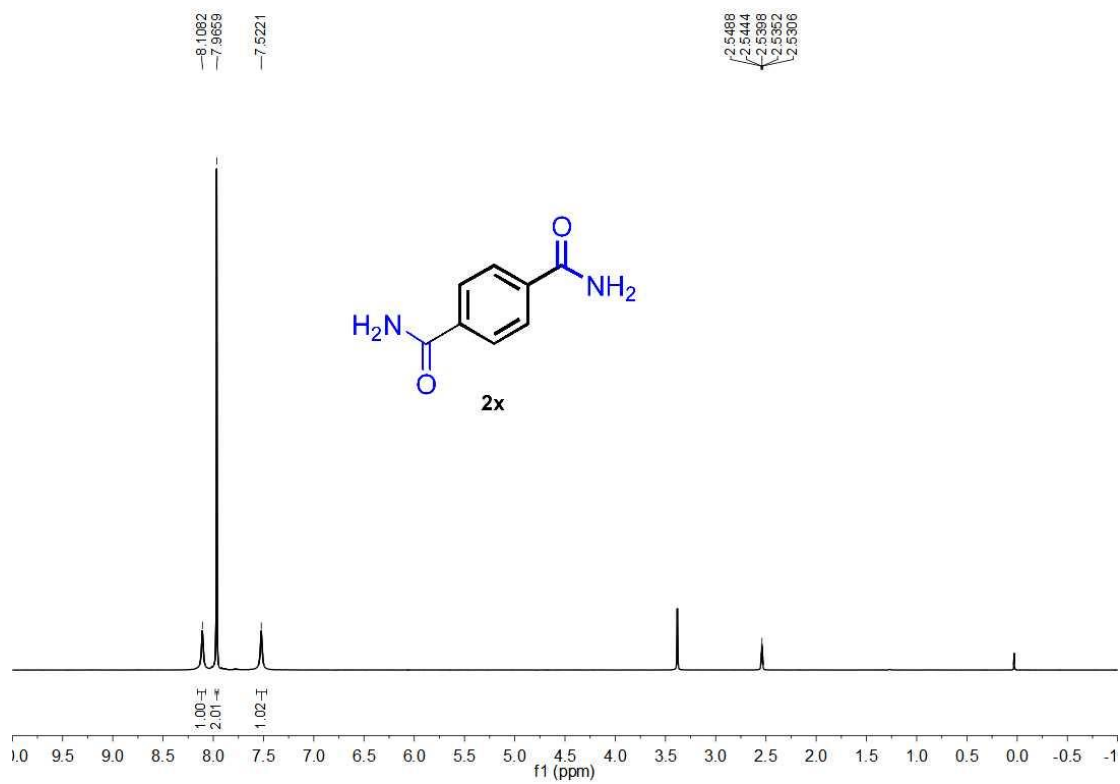
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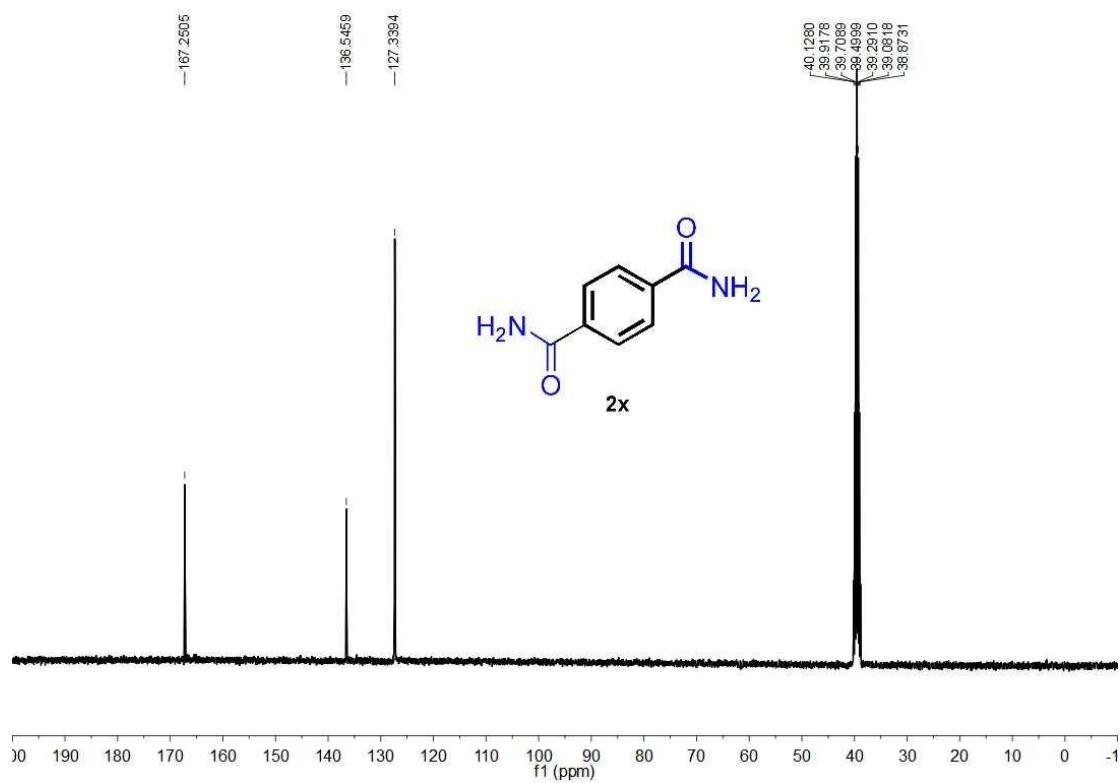
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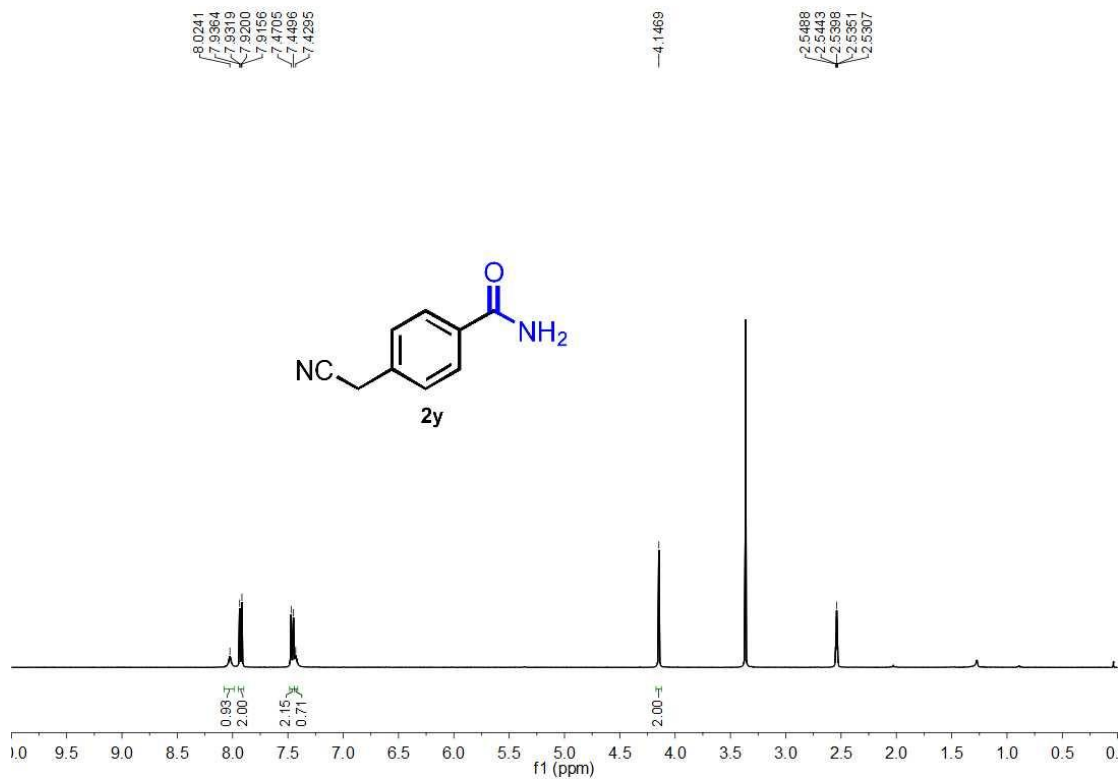
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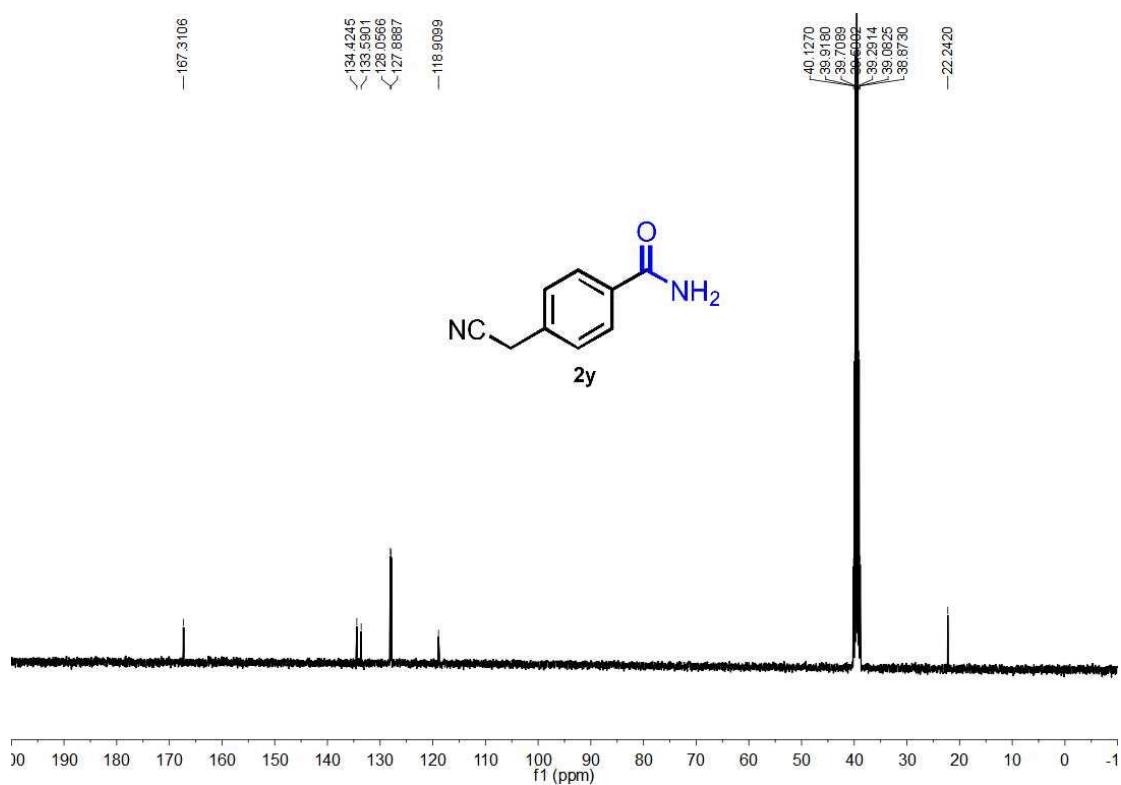
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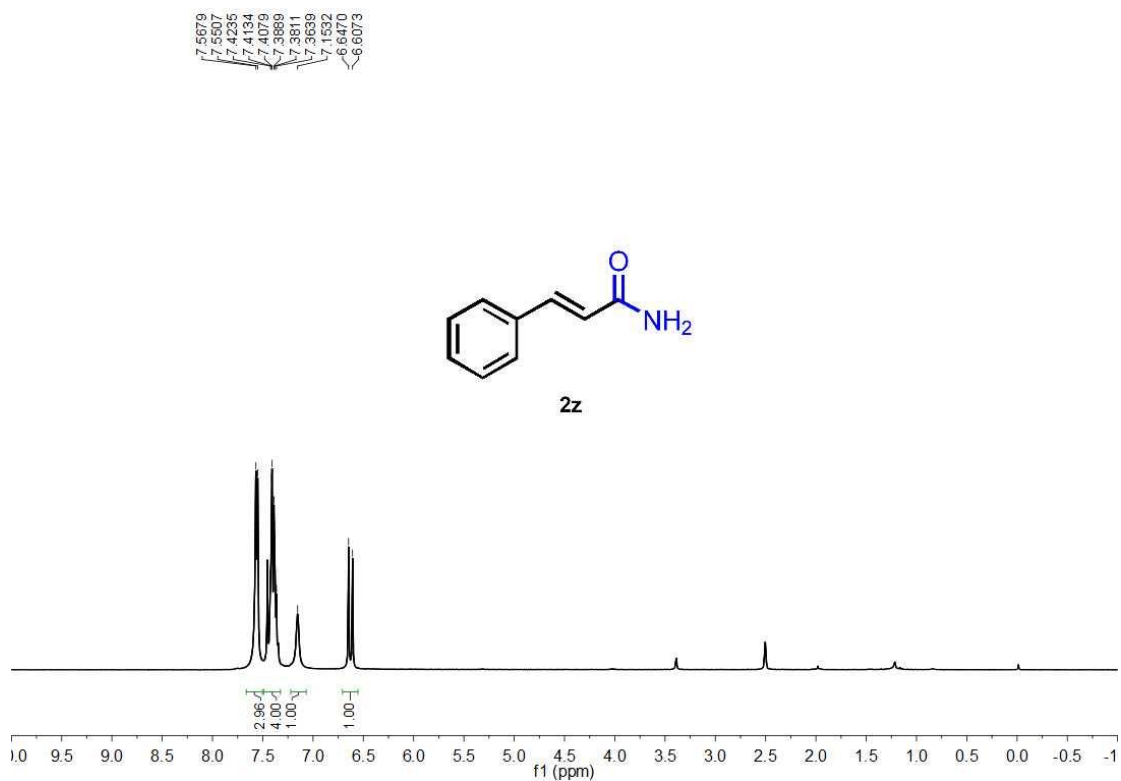
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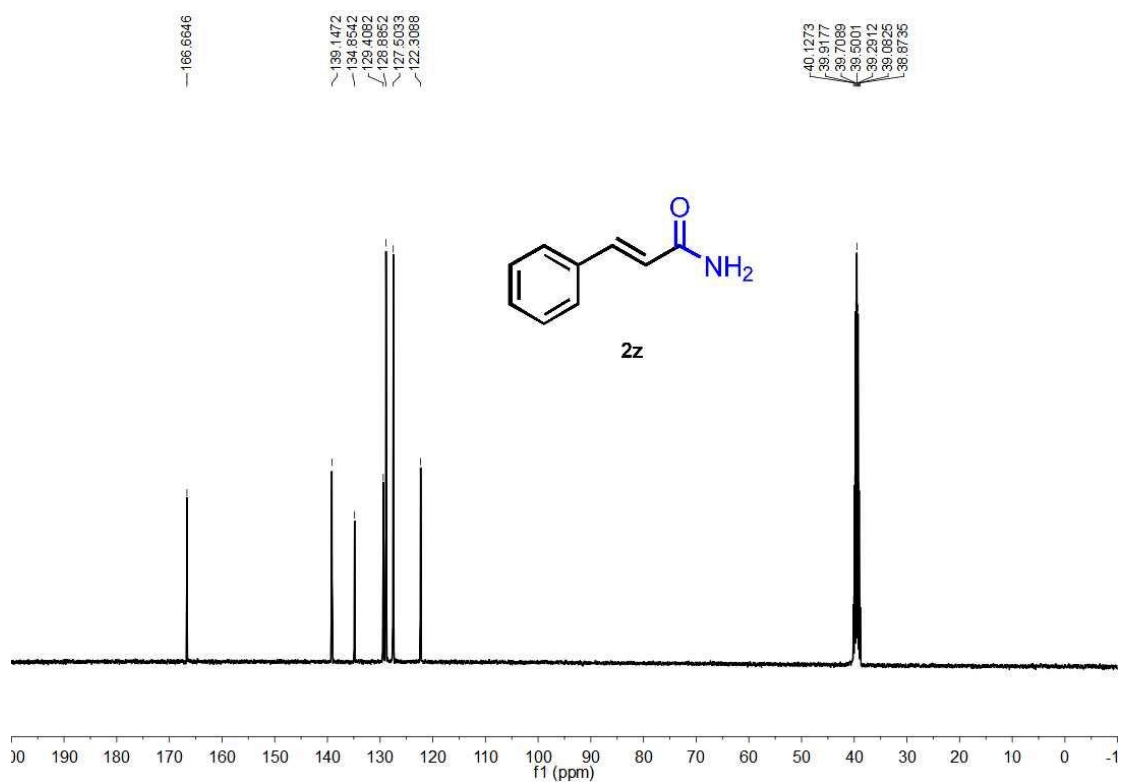
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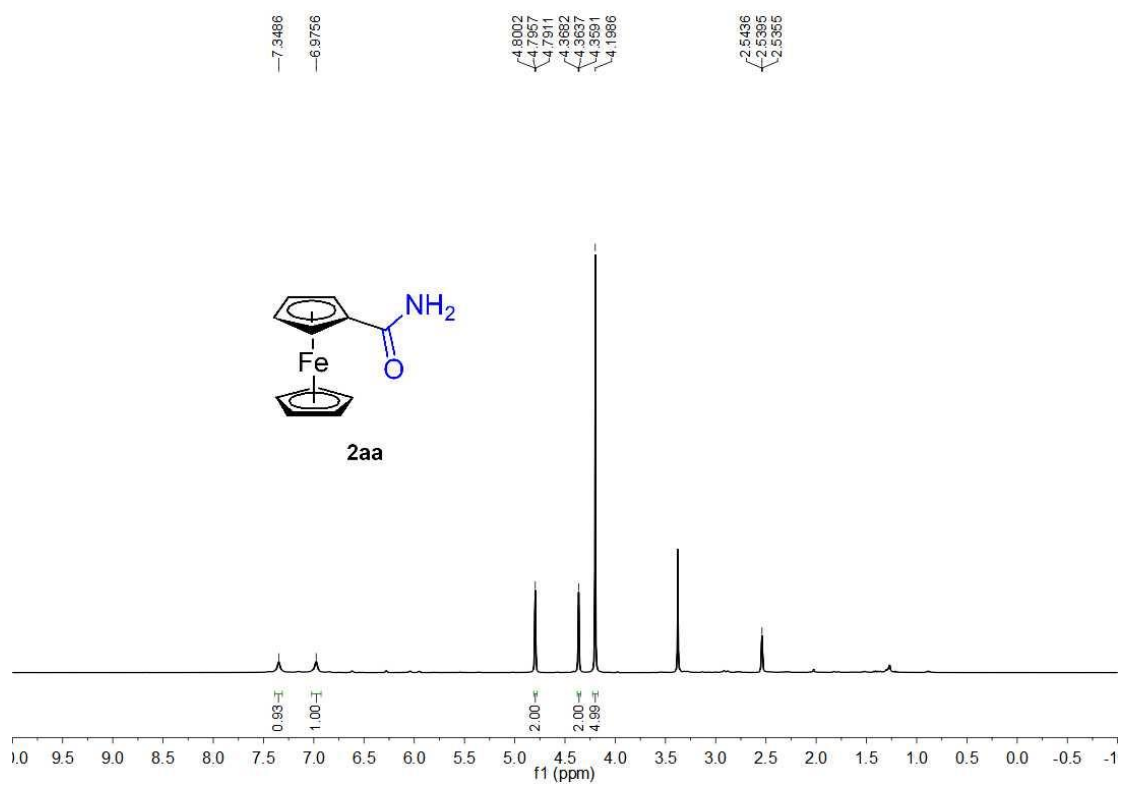
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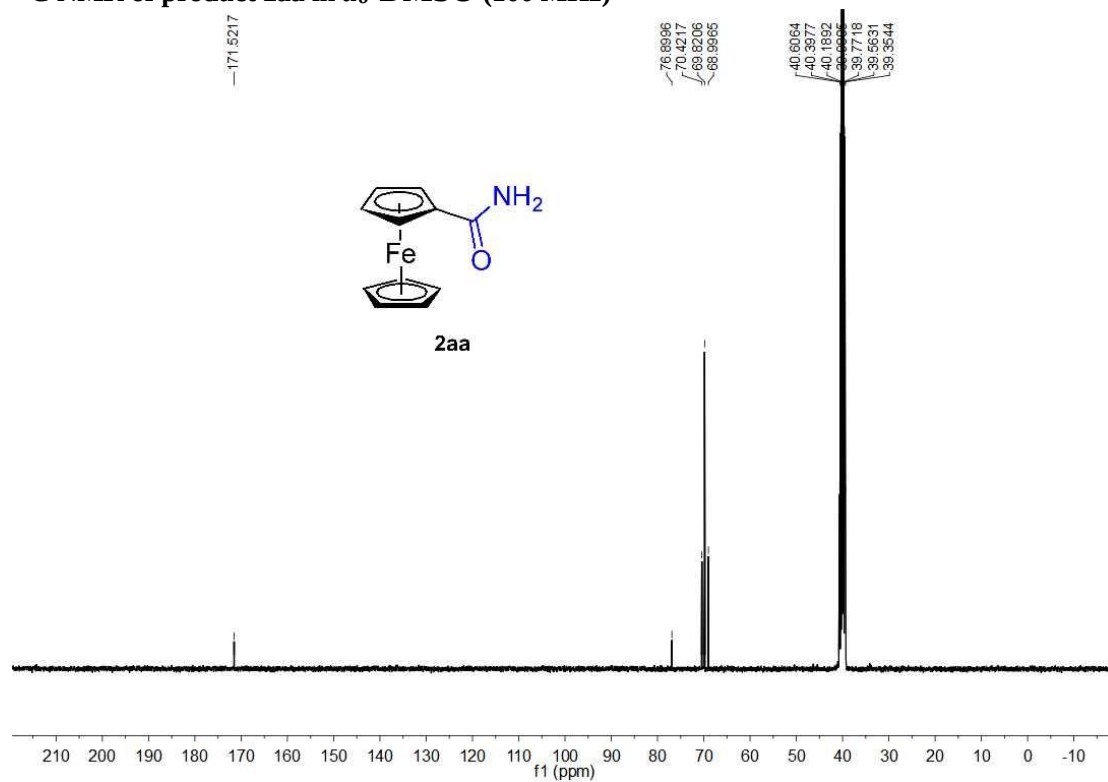
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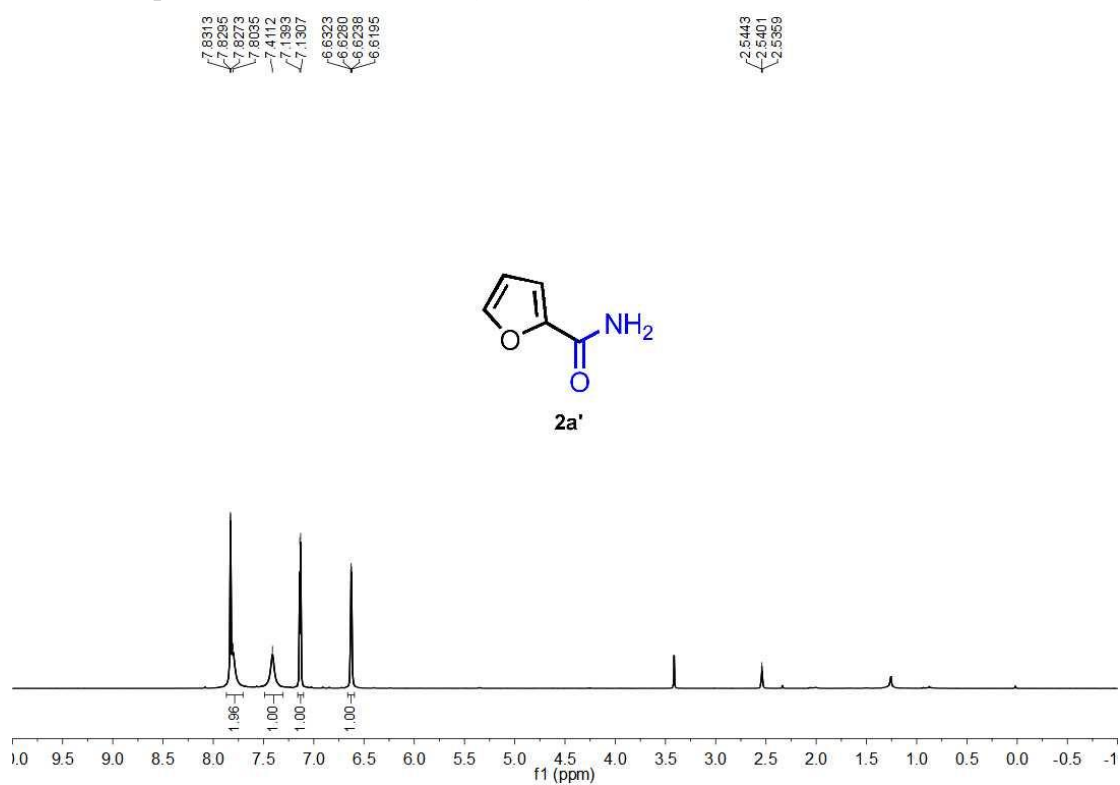
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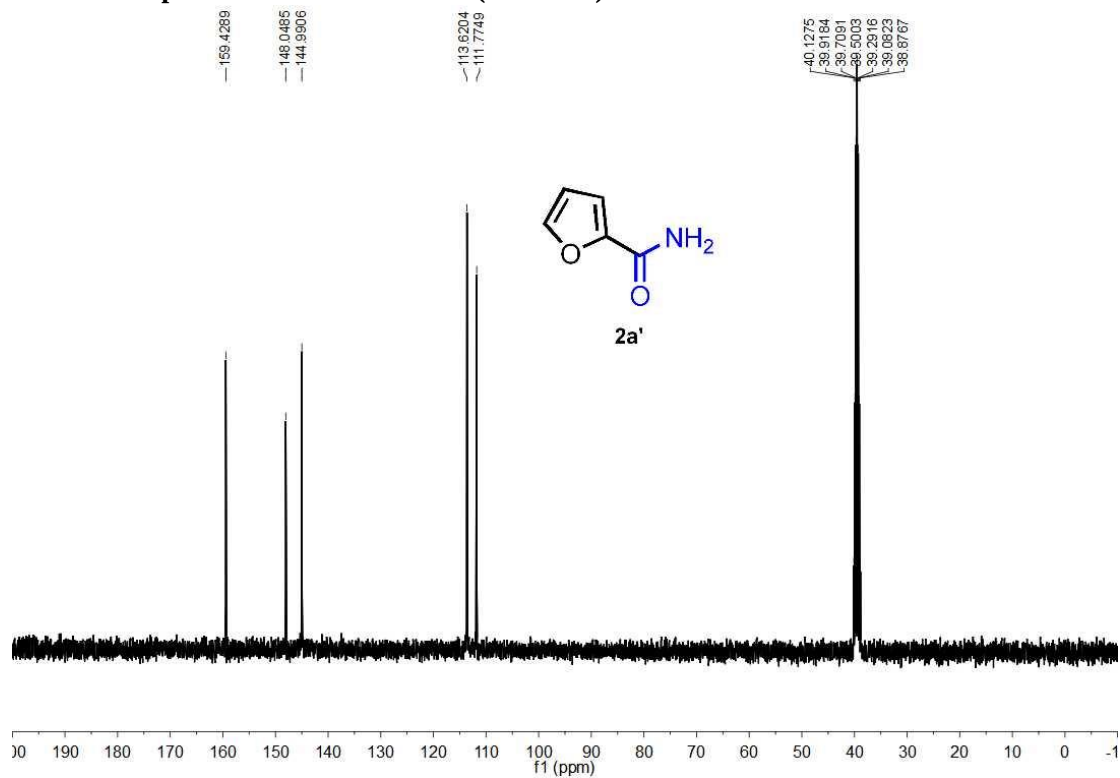
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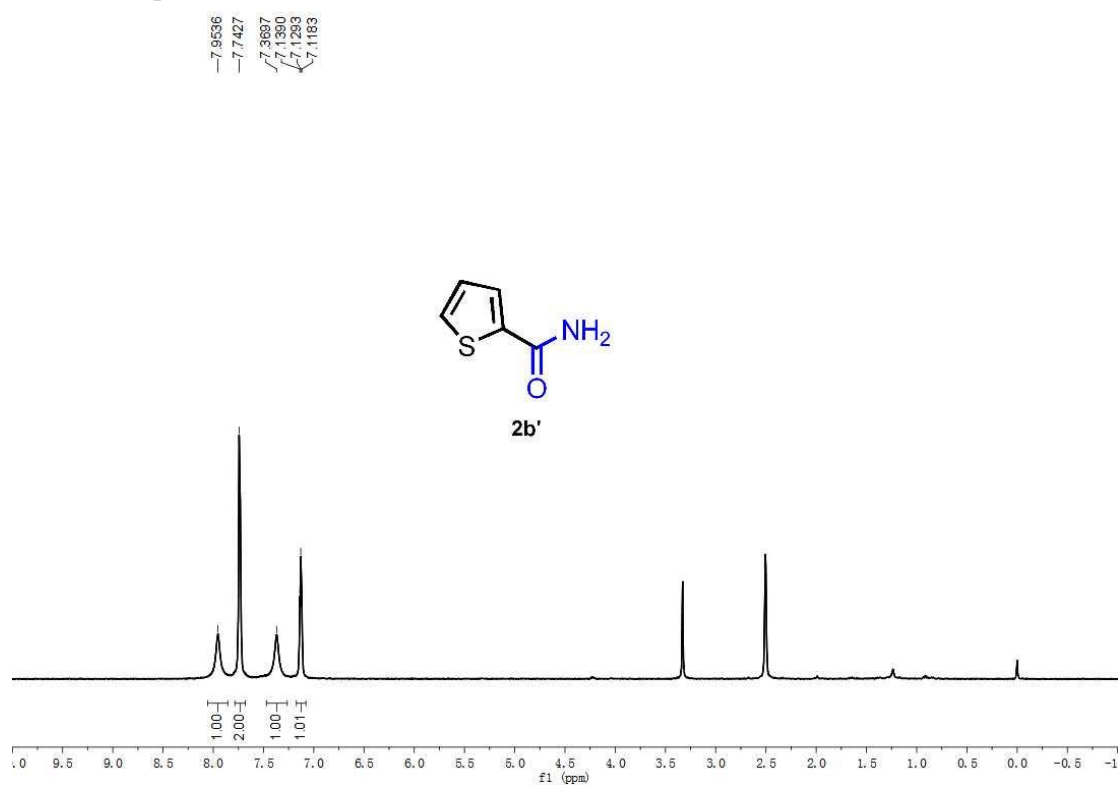
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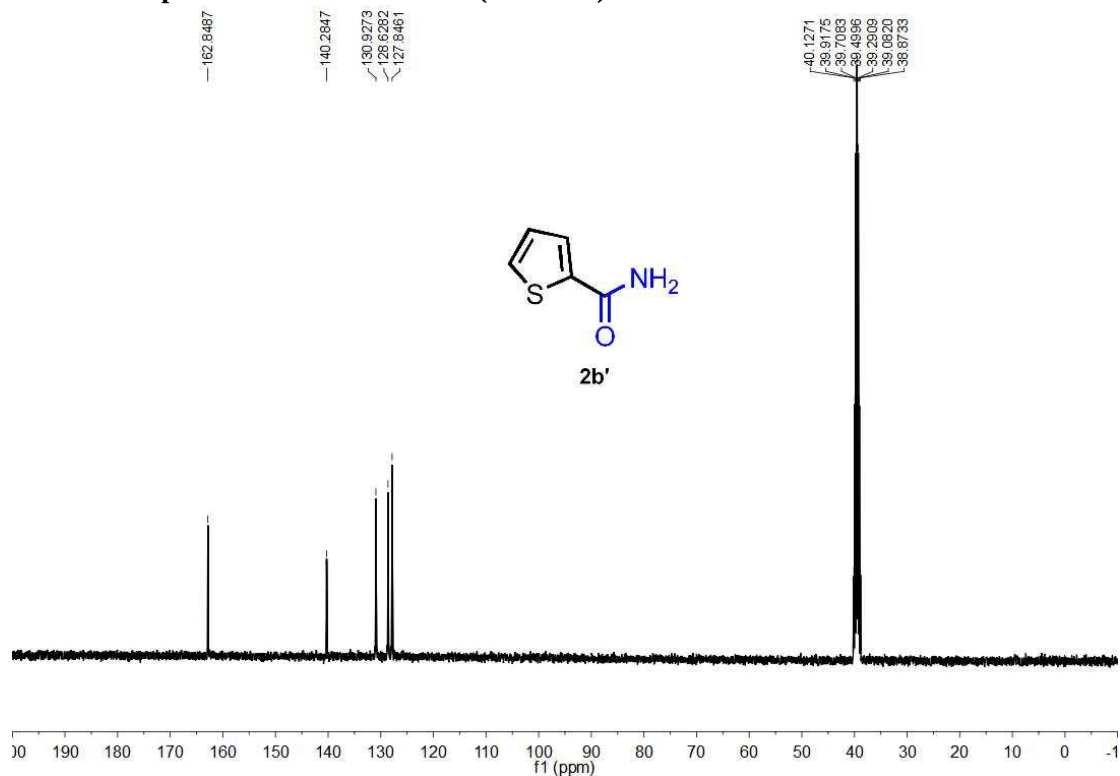
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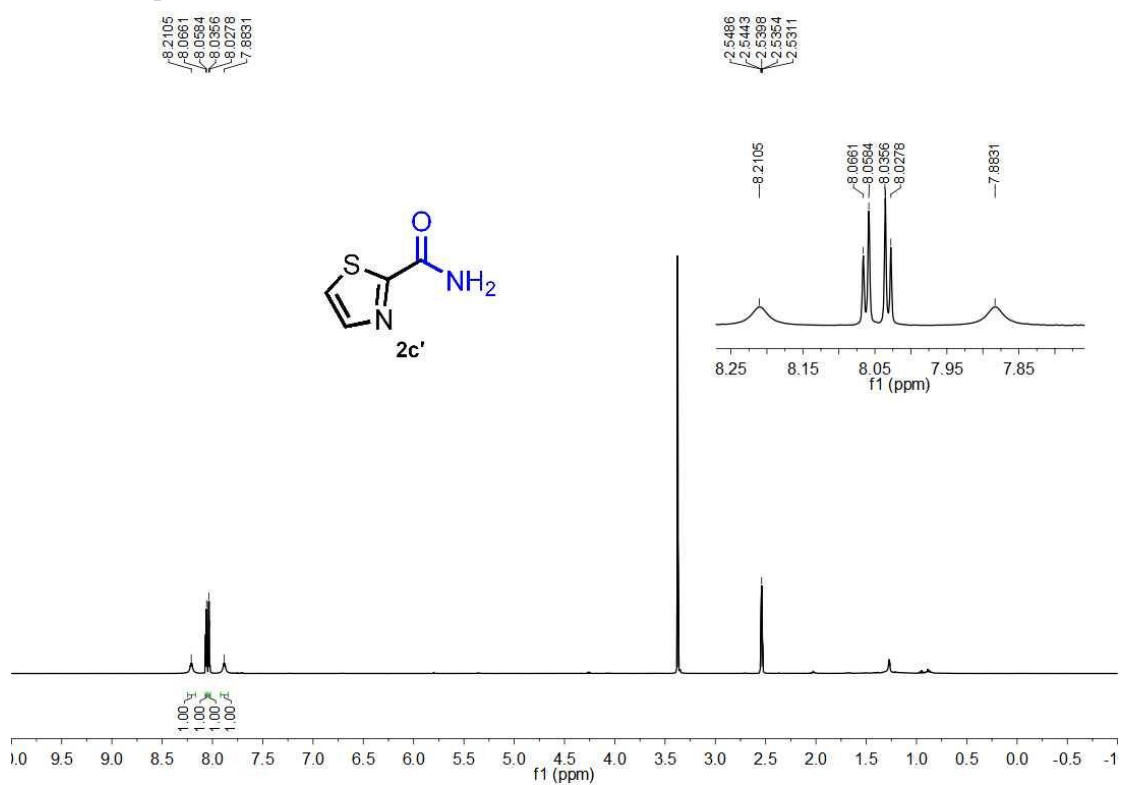
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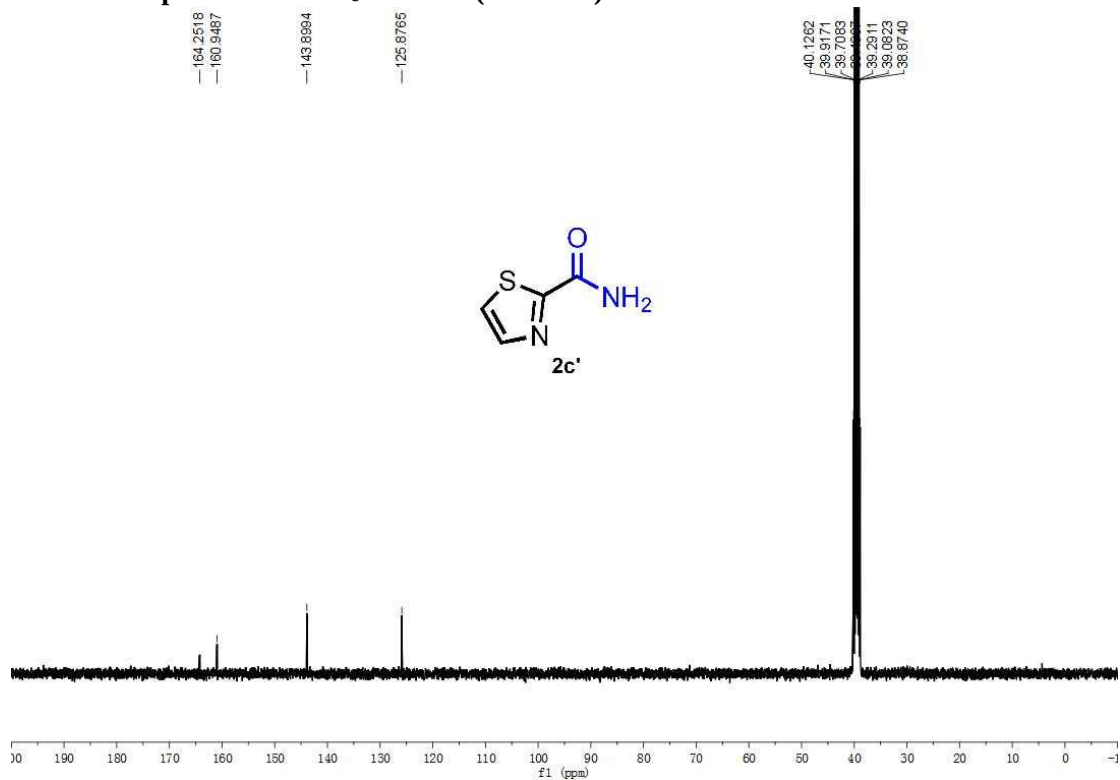
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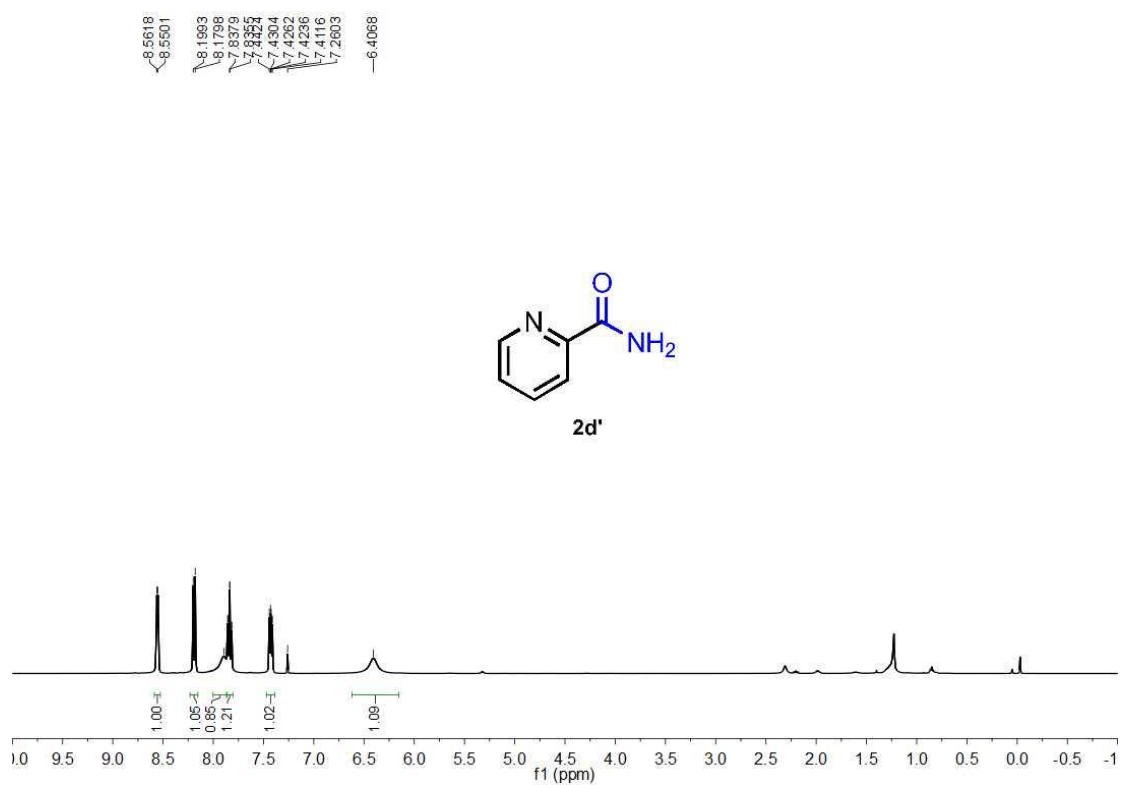
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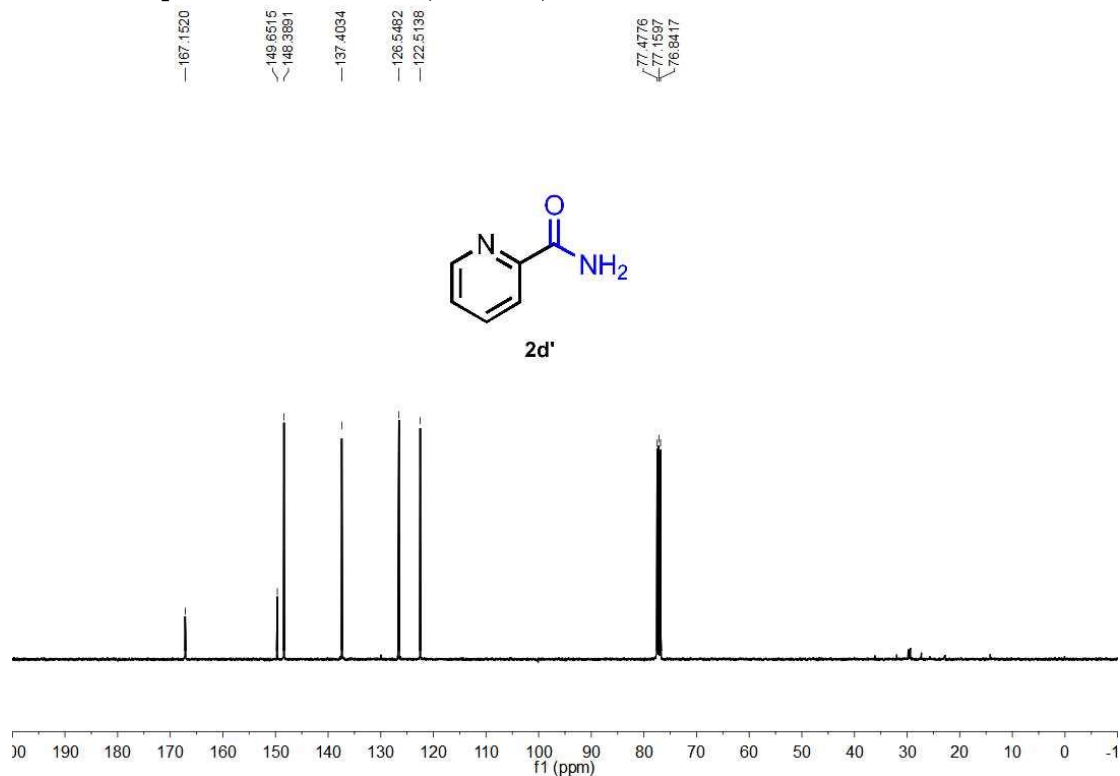
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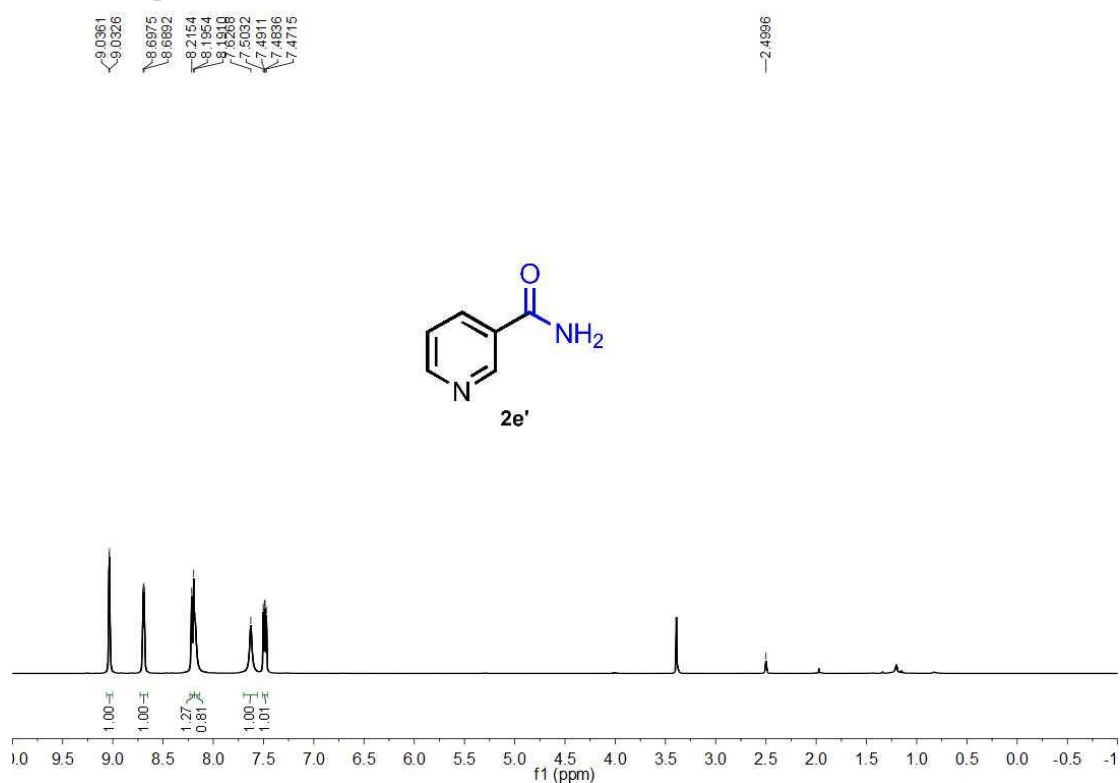
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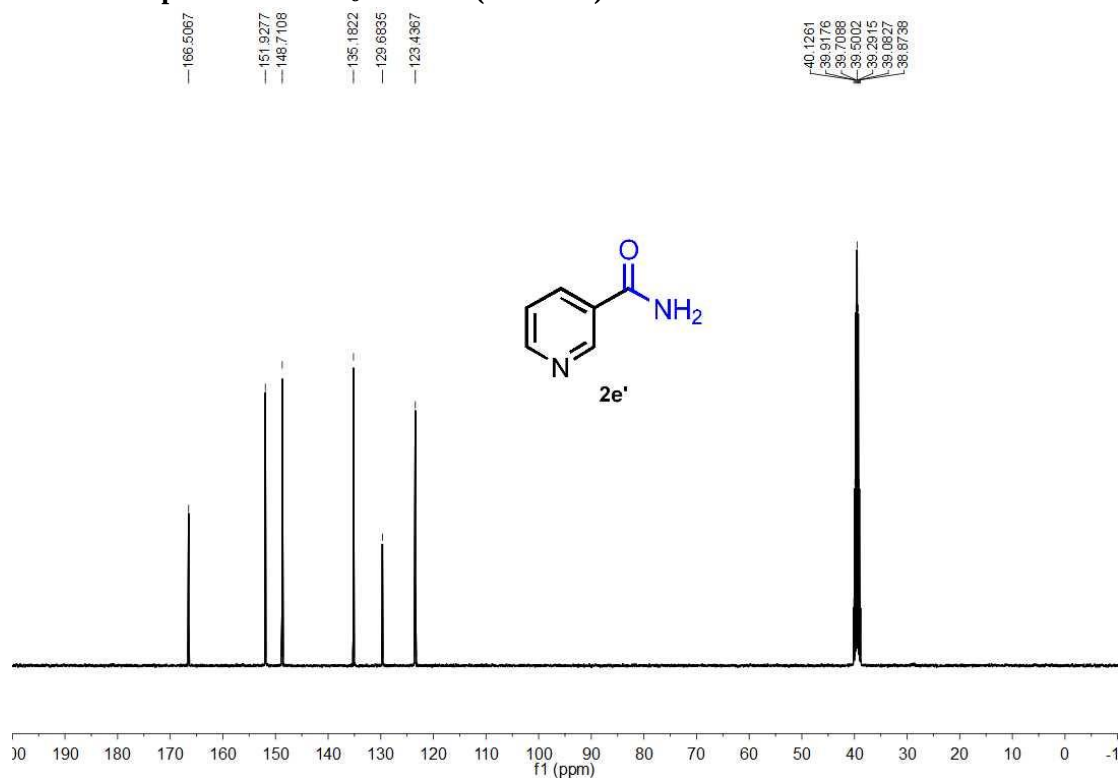
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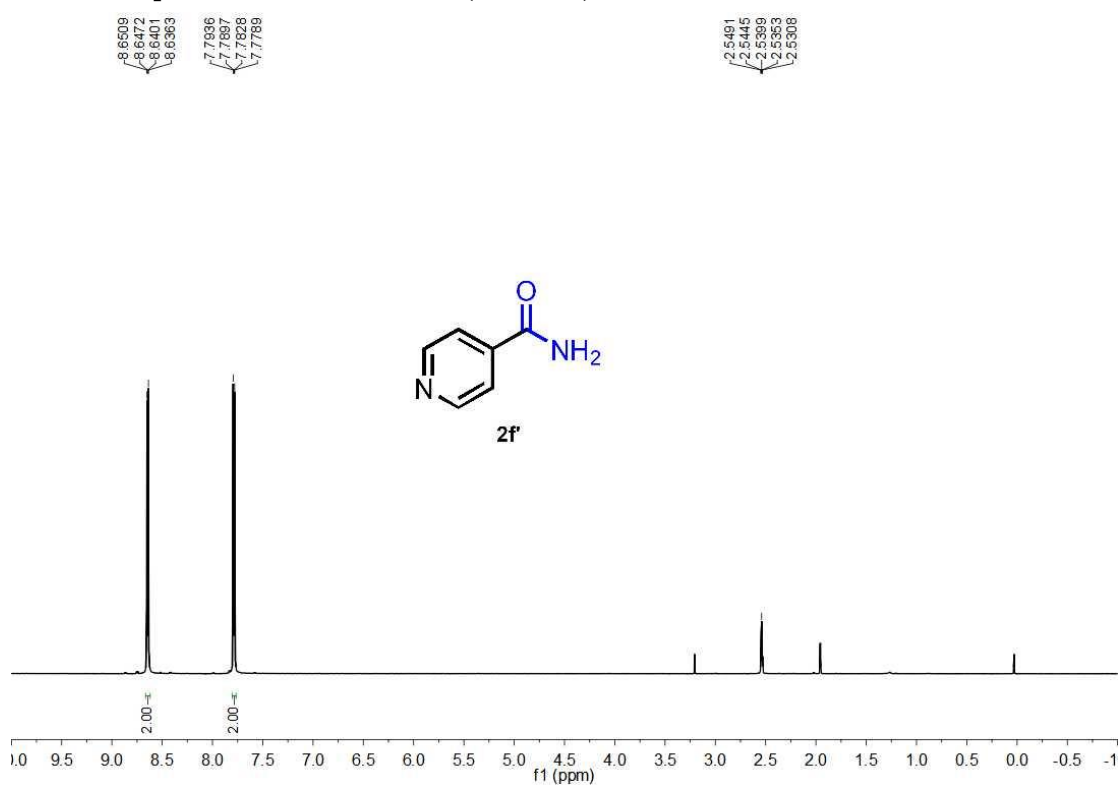
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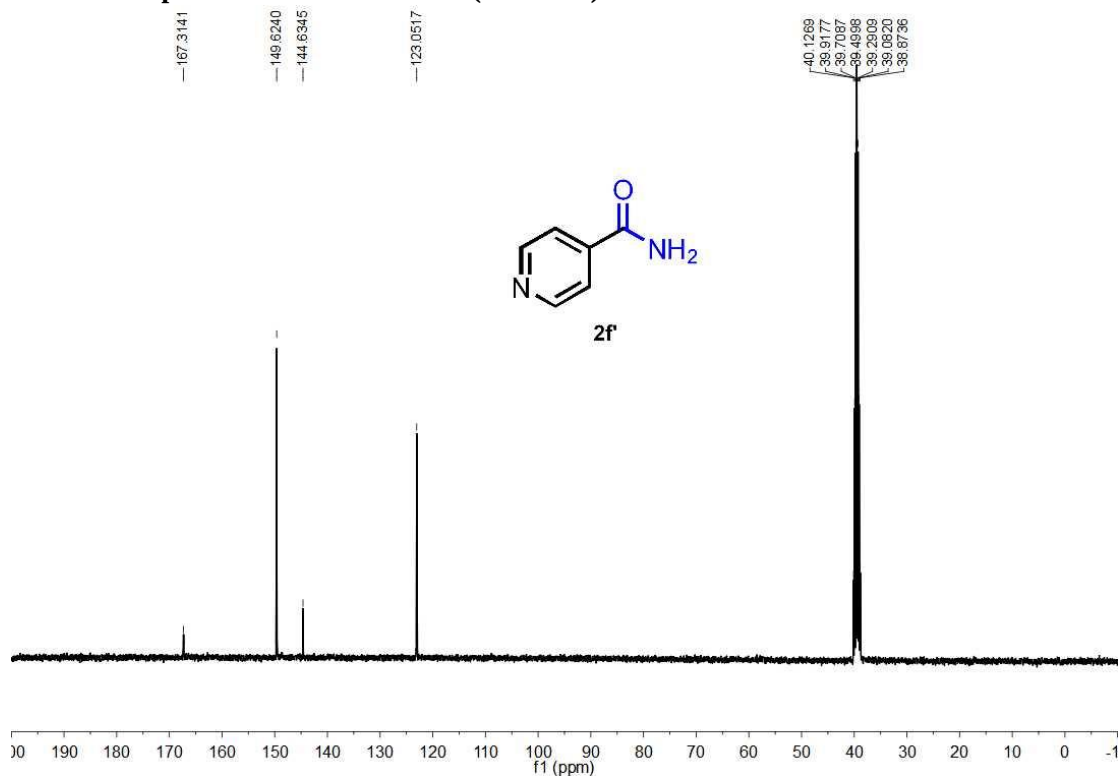
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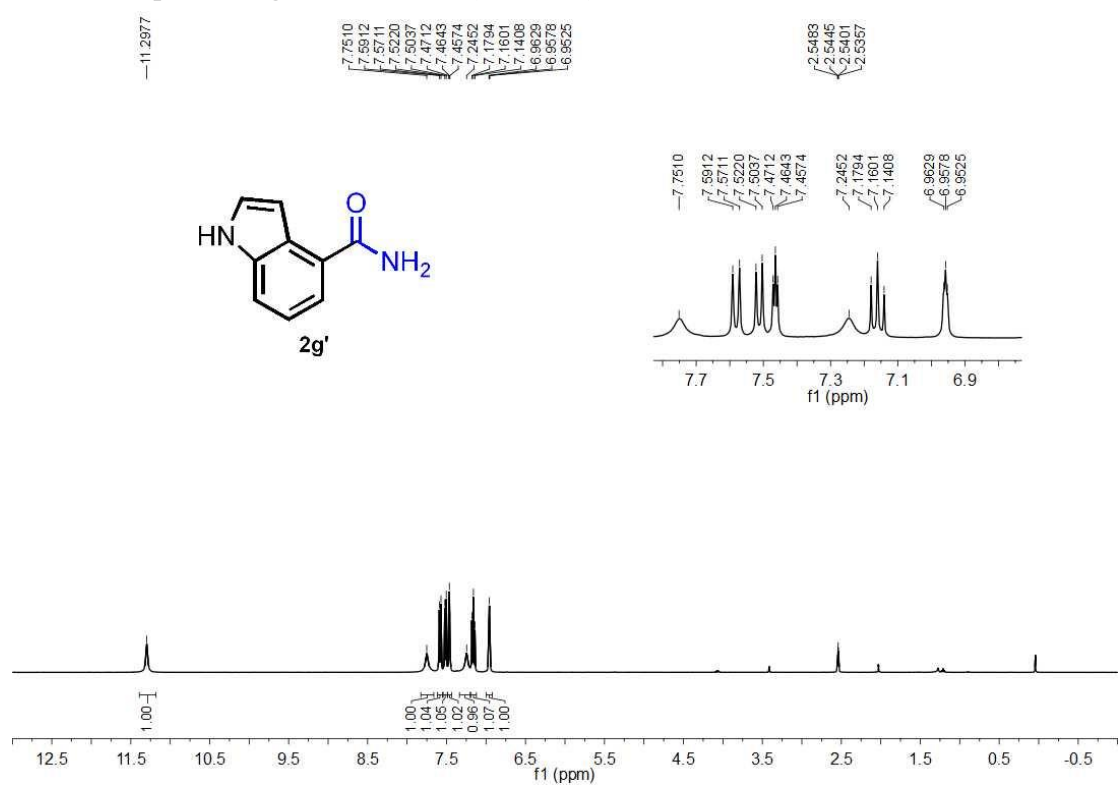
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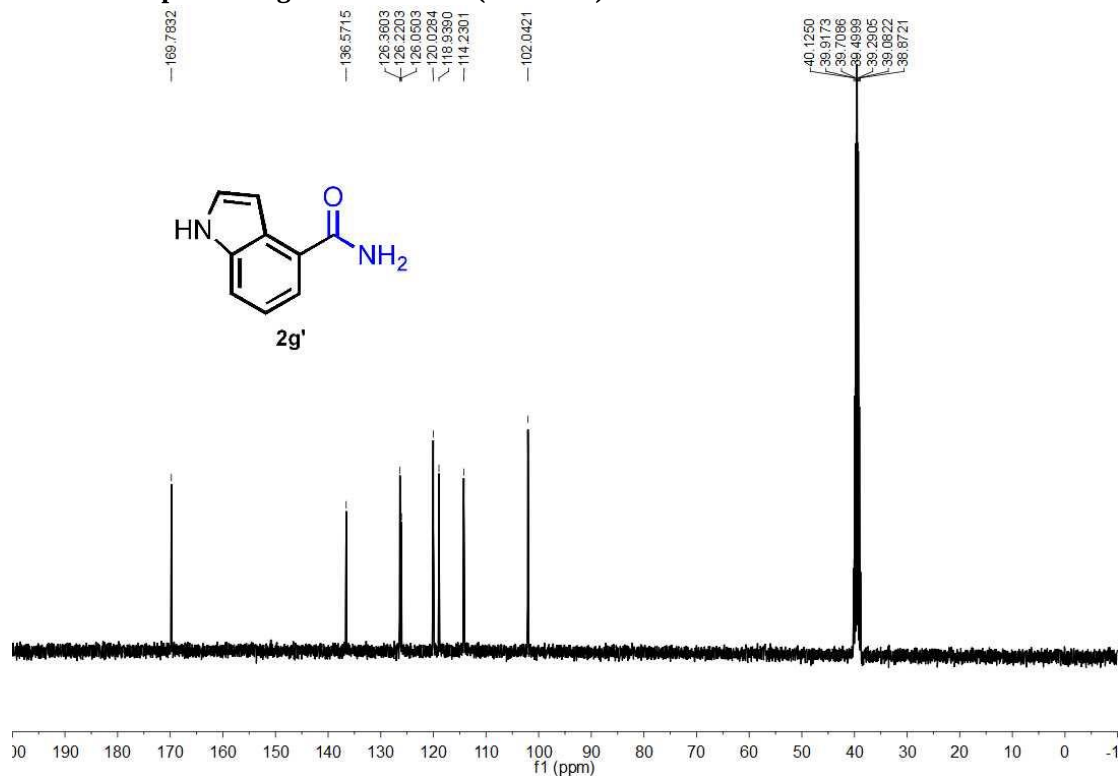
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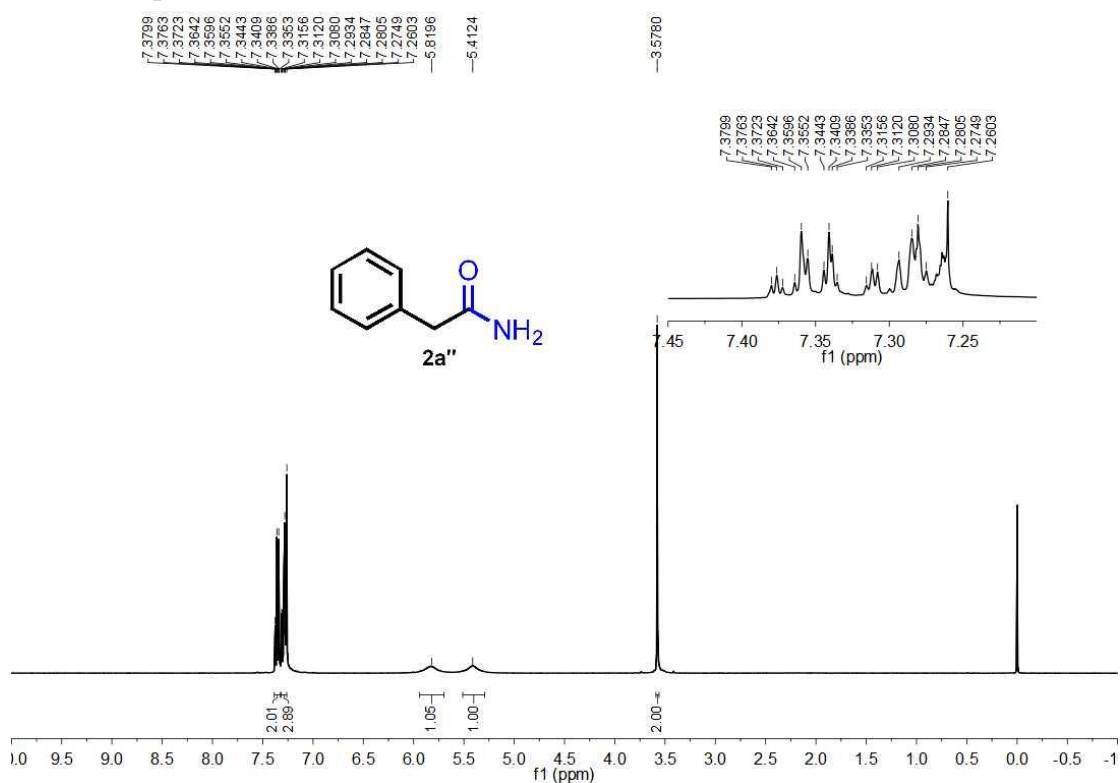
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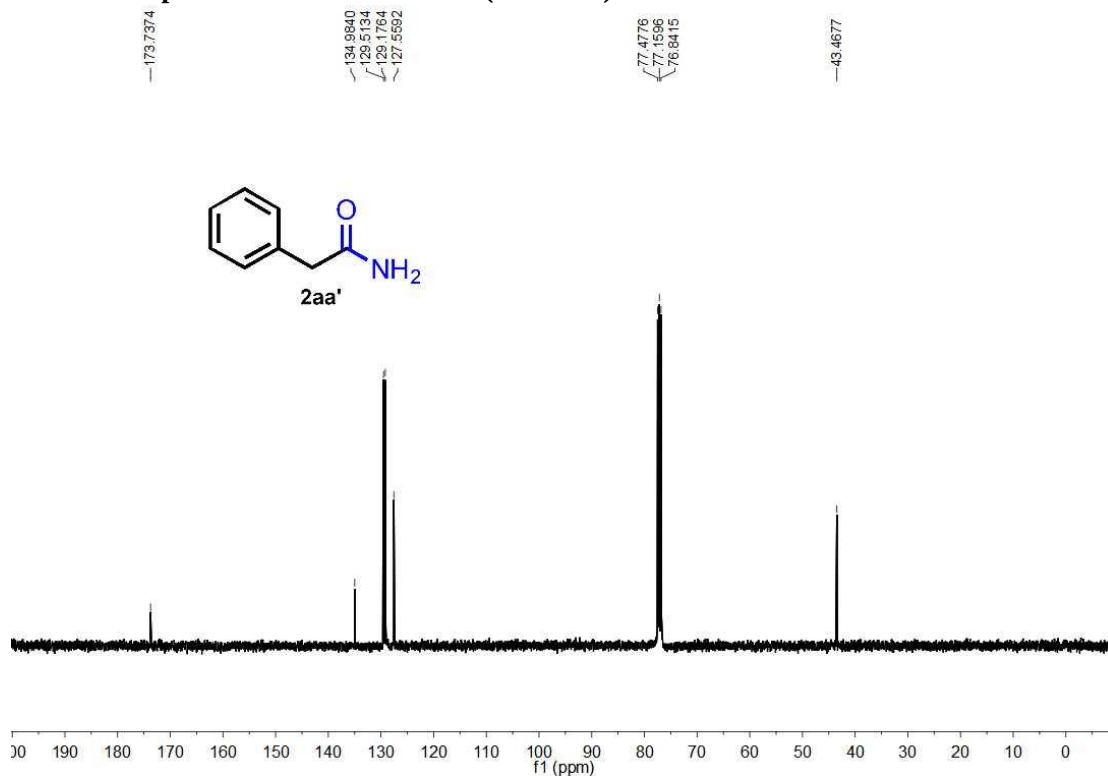
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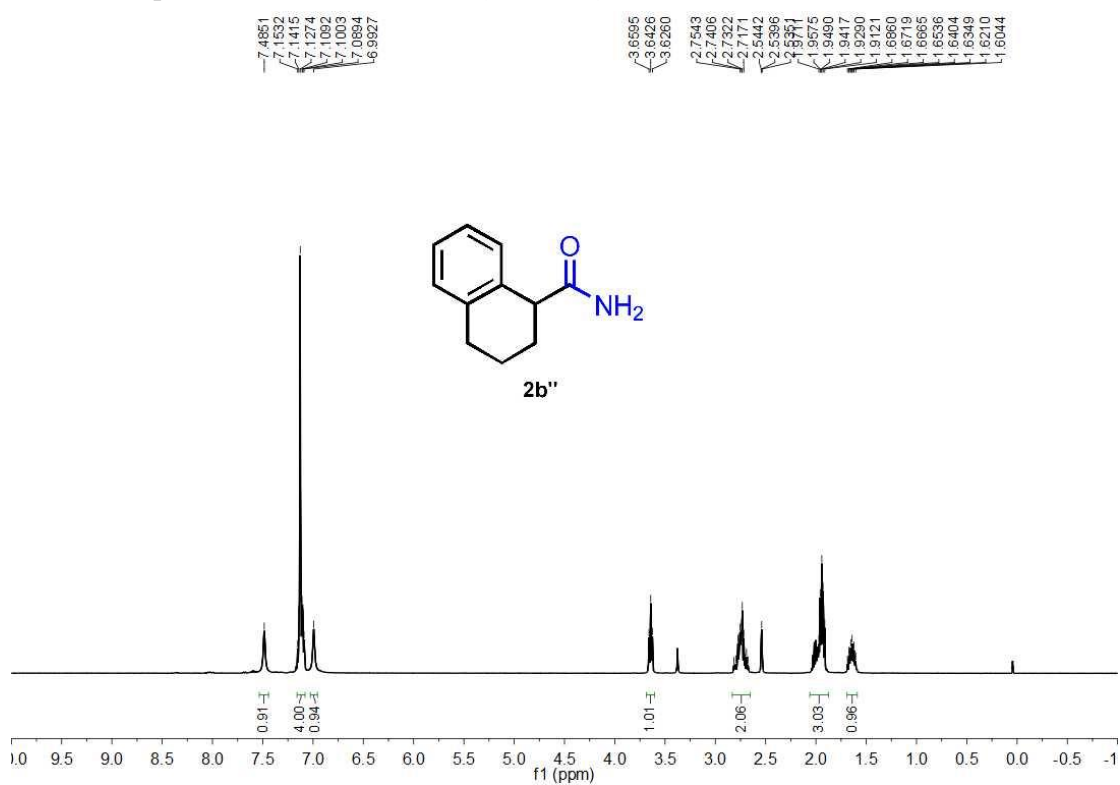
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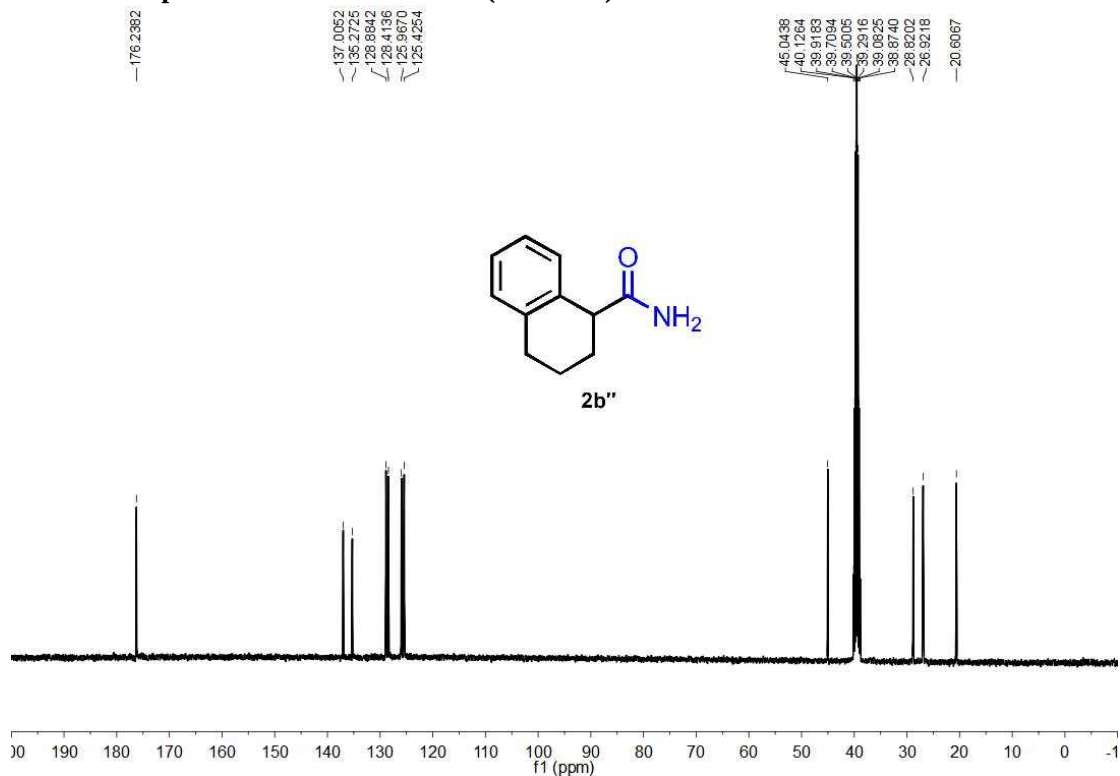
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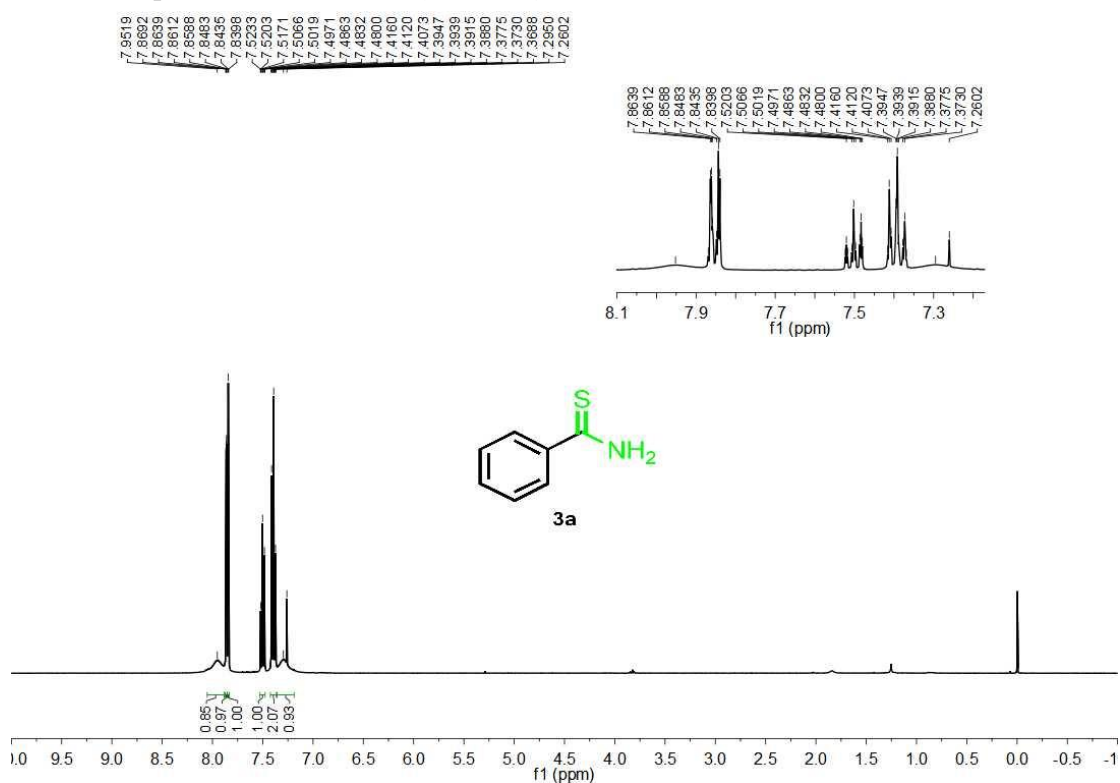
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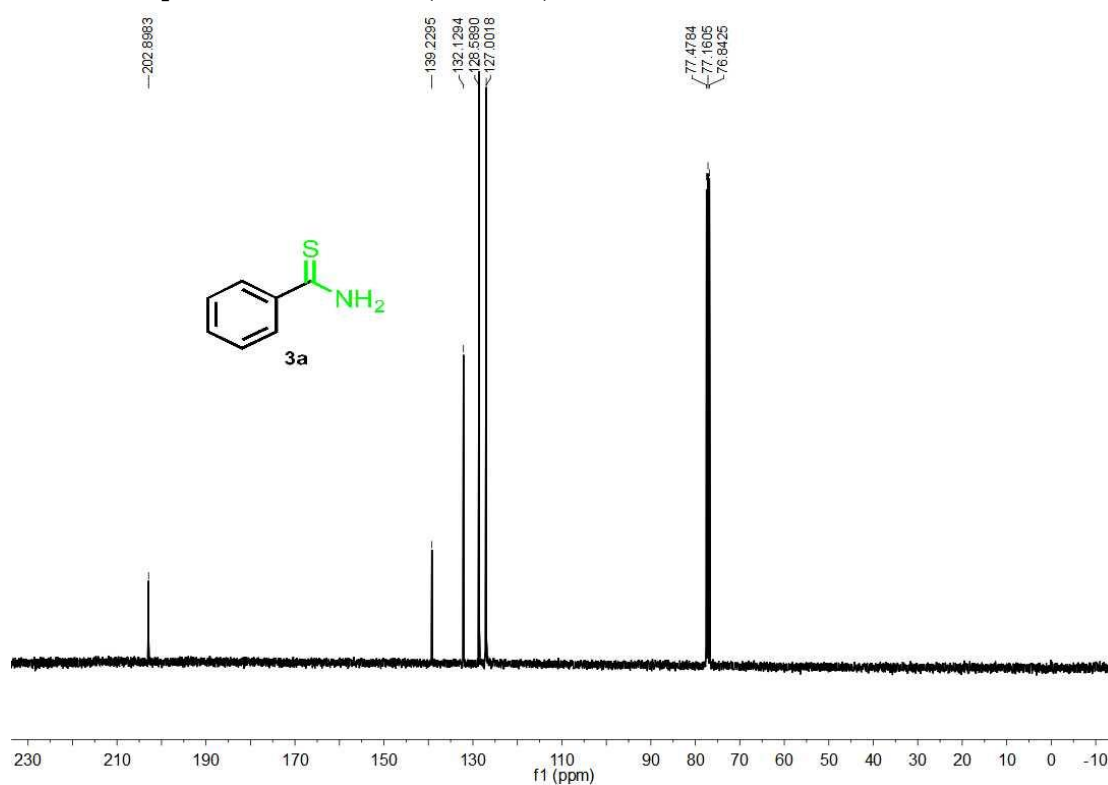
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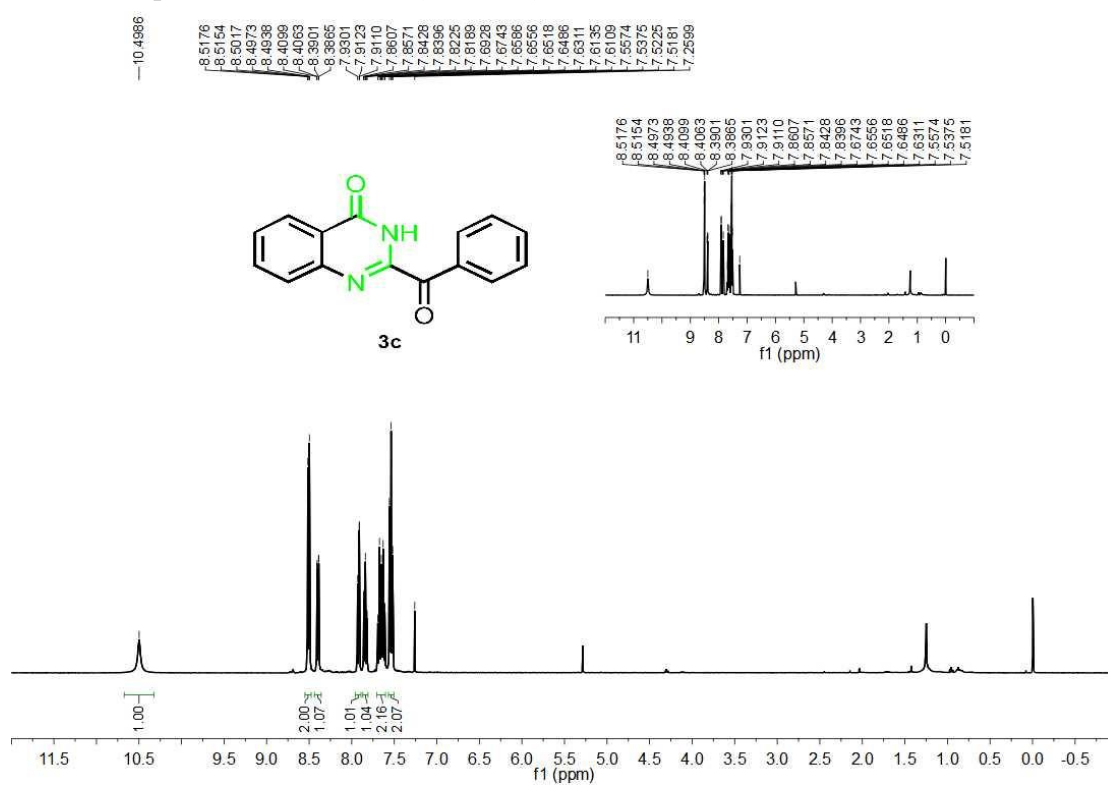
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